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Spur's 3rd Annual Rodeo Fri. and Sat.

More Sponsors Chosen For Rodeo

In addition to the many out-of-town sponsors that will represent other towns at Spur's Third Annual Rodeo Friday and Saturday, many of the local merchants will have the following sponsors representing them:

Henry Alexander & Co.—Neitha Campbell
Allen Texaco Station—Miss McGeehee
Bell's Cafe—Tommie Bridge
Brazelton Lumber Co.—Ida Lee Arrington
The Fair Store—Mrs. Jack Moore
Garner Gas & Oil—Dorothy McCombs
McGee Ford Tractor Agency—Sammy McGee
Milam's Variety—Lois Payne Adams
Phillips "66"—Mrs. Al Bingham
Red Front Drug—Lorene McGeehee
Safeway Store—Miss Swanner
Speer's Variety—Peggy Durham
Spur Bakery—Jane Grubbs
Spur Cafe—Mrs. Bessie Sauls
Spur Motor Co.—Mrs. Boy Hand
B. Schwarz & Son—Mrs. McGee
Tri-County Lumber Co.—Mrs. Everett McArthur
West Texas Utilities—Betty Langford

Several out-of-town sponsors have registered since last week and a few changes made in towns being represented by some of the sponsors listed last week.

The complete list of sponsors, as released by the rodeo office Wednesday is as follows:

Abilene—Jo Ann Stephens
Big Spring—Louise Ann Bennett
Buford—Betty Glover
Colorado—Dorothea Market
Cross Roads, New Mexico—Fern Sawyer
Dougherty—Mrs. Januella Tinney
Flomont—Mary Ellen Barton
Floydada—
Guthrie—Jaudell Rucker
Hermleigh—Opal Eheridge
Irran—Billye Cade
Matador—Reatha Rayne Robertson
Melvin—Mrs. Pink Snyder
O-O Ranch—Mrs. Edd Kyle
Paducah—Marjorie Mayo
Palo Duro—Joe Garnett
Post—Louise "Cowboy" Nance
Quanah—Gwendolyn Owens
Roaring Springs—Toots Bird
Spur—Bobby Lou Watters
Stacy—Mrs. Sally Taylor
Stamford—Betty Jane Blackwell
Throckmorton—Mrs. Joe Somerville.

'Spur Day' Will be Observed Friday

All business men of Spur are requested to close their stores at 1:30 p. m. Friday, June 20, and remain closed until 6:00 p. m. in observance of "Spur Day" and in order that all employees may have an opportunity to see the Rodeo and Texas Defense Guard Review.

M. H. Brannen, Mayor.
T. E. Milam, President Spur Civic Club.

The stores of Spur will close at 1:30 p. m. Friday, June 20, and remain closed until 6:00 in order that all employees of stores will have an opportunity to see the Rodeo and Texas Defense Guard Review.

Friday, June 20 has been designated as "Spur Day" and as such, the merchants are requested by the Mayor and President of the Spur Civic Club to close their stores in the afternoon.

Two Full Days Program for Rodeo Announced

Official Program

Thursday:

10:00 p. m. Dance, one door north of Spur Cafe, music by Biggs Musical Players

Friday, June 20:

Morning, Arrival, registration of sponsors and contestants

11:30 a. m. Address by Gerald C. Mann on Main Street

1:00 p. m. Parade to rodeo grounds

2:00 p. m. Grand Entry—Rodeo

3:20 p. m. \$100.00 attendance prize given at rodeo

5:00 p. m. Texas Defense Guard Review at rodeo grounds

5:00 p. m. Sponsor's Tea at Mrs. Neal Chastain home

8:00 p. m. Grand Entry—Rodeo

10:00 p. m. Sponsors' Presentation Dance at Spur Inn

Hetrick's All Girl Orchestra

10:00 p. m. Old-Timers Dance in old Farmall building

Old time string music, free admission

Friday, June 21:

10:00 a. m. Final judging of all sponsors at arena

11:00 a. m. Address by Lyndon B. Johnson on Main Street

1:00 p. m. Parade to rodeo

2:00 p. m. Grand Entry—Rodeo

3:20 p. m. \$100.00 Attendance prize given at rodeo

8:00 p. m. Grand Entry—Rodeo

All awards made

10:00 p. m. Dance in building one door north of Spur Cafe

Hetrick's All-Girl Orchestra

10:00 p. m. Old-Timers Dance in old Farmall building.

MANN TO SPEAK HERE FRIDAY



GERALD MANN

Gerald Mann, above brings his campaign for United States Senator to the people of Dickens county Friday, June 20, when he will make an address on the downtown streets of Spur at 11:30 a. m.

Mann will also participate in the parade and grand entry at the rodeo arena Friday afternoon.

Cities Charter Buses To Visit Spur Rodeo

Announcements have been made by the cities of Fort Worth, Lubbock and Stamford that special buses have been chartered to bring delegations from those towns to Spur Friday, June 20.

The citizens of Spur extend hearty welcomes to these goodwillers, and will do their best to make the visit an enjoyable one.

SPUR'S SPONSOR



BOBBY LOU WATTERS

Miss Bobby Lou Watters will be Spur's Sponsor during the Third Annual Rodeo starting here tomorrow. Bobby Lou is an expert horse-woman. She took top honors in the sponsor contest at the Fort Worth Fat Stock Show early this spring.

Dances Planned During Rodeo

The Spur Roundup Association has plenty of entertainment planned for all who will be in Spur June 20 and 21 for the Third Annual Rodeo celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of Dickens county.

"Old Timers" will be guests of honor and will be entertained both Friday and Saturday nights with Old Time Dances, held in the old Farmall building. A good string band will play for the squares, shottishes, two-steps, waltzes and many other old time dance steps. No admission will be charged either night for those over fifty and considered an "Old Timer."

Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights dances for the younger sets will be held in the building one door north of Spur Cafe. Biggs Musical Roundup Band will play Thursday and Friday nights and Saturday night you may dance to the music of Hethick's All Girl Orchestra.

The Sponsors' Presentation Dance will be held at the Spur Inn Friday night, June 20, music by Hethick's All Girl Orchestra.

Local Sponsors To Meet

All local sponsors are requested by Chas. Fox to meet at the depot at 6 p. m. Thursday to make all arrangements for the program Friday and Saturday.

Official ribbons and instructions will be given sponsors and then a rehearsal of the program. All local sponsors are urged to be present.

\$100.00 Cash Awards Given Daily

The Spur Roundup Association is continually adding new attractions to an already top-notch show. This year attendance awards will be made during the latter part of the afternoon performances both Friday and Saturday. \$100.00 in cash will be given daily. Attend ever performance of Spur's Third Annual Rodeo.

Charles Senning Plays for Dance

Charles Senning and his College Ten are sponsoring and playing for a dance to be held at the Spur Inn tonight, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Henry left Thursday for Temple where Mrs. Henry will be placed under doctors care for treatment.

Juneteenth Program Now Complete

Emancipation Day is being observed with one of the largest programs in the history of Spur.

The Negro Citizens Council has a full day of entertainment planned, the outstanding event being an All-Colored Rodeo, the first ever held in West Texas.

Program

10:00 a. m. parade

12:00 noon, free barbecue

1:30 p. m., baseball games

8:00 p. m., All Colored Rodeo

10:00 p. m., Old Time Juneteenth Dance.

Floats have been decorated for the parade and prizes will be awarded for the best decorated car.

A Queen of the festival will be selected by popular vote and will reign at the Rodeo.

Several out-of-town ball teams have accepted invitations to play here this afternoon.

Plenty of contestants have signed for events in the rodeo and this will without doubt be more entertainment for the money than you have ever seen.

Creamery Employees Injured in Auto Wreck

Edgen Cox, buttermaker and Pat Patterson, Negro, both employees of the Spur Creamery were brought to the Nichols Sanitarium early last Thursday morning for treatment of cuts and bruises received in an automobile wreck just out of Dickens.

Patterson was driving a creamery truck which was badly damaged when it hit another truck said to have not had lights burning. Patterson reported that soon after meeting a car, he was unable to miss the other vehicle for he was right at it before he saw it because it had no rear lights burning.

Neither of the men was injured seriously, but both received cuts and bruises on the face and body.

Texas Defense Guard Review

The Dickens county company of the Texas Defense Guard, and invited companies from surrounding counties, will be reviewed for state recognition Friday. Review will be held at the rodeo grounds at 5 p. m., June 20. No admission will be charged and the public is invited to attend.

Major Hubbard, commander of 19th battalion, T. D. G., and his staff and Major V. H. McClintock, commander 41st battalion, T. D. G., and his staff will be here to inspect the companies. Invitations have been extended to Lieutenant-Colonel Neill H. Bannister and staff, U. S. army, who is assistant to General J. Watt Page.

It is necessary for every member of the T. D. G., not in the review, to present himself, in uniform, at the headquarters tent for personal inspection sometime Friday, preferably as near 4 p. m. as possible.

The Texas Defense Guard will also march in the street parades at 1:00 Friday and Saturday.

Captain L. E. Standifer has requested all members T. D. G., who find it possible to do so, to be in uniform all day both Friday and Saturday.

County Judge E. H. Bodeker, of Dickens, has returned from Dallas and was in Spur Tuesday morning greeting friends. Mrs. Bodeker is very much improved and well on the way to recovering her former good health and the young son also is growing normally, according to the Judge.

Service Held for G. G. Miller Sat.

Funeral services for G. G. Miller, father of Mrs. M. H. Costolow, were held at the Methodist Church, Saturday, June 14 at 4 p. m. Rev. H. L. Thurston and Rev. L. A. Reavis, of Roaring Springs officiated. Death was caused by pneumonia and occurred Friday, June 13, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Costolow with whom he had made his home the past eight years.

Interment was made in the Spur Cemetery under the direction of Campbell Funeral Chapel.

Palbearers were: John King, Leonard King, Cecil Godfrey, Dee Hairgrove, Tom Long, Martin Smith and John Turner.

George Gibson Miller was born in Pike county, Arkansas, May 19, 1868. He united with the Methodist Church at an early age. He was married August 25, 1895 to Miss Emma J. Wimberly, who preceded him in death.

Mr. Miller moved from Arkansas in 1917 to Paducah, Texas, and later to Roaring Springs. After selling his business at Roaring Springs eight years ago, he came to Spur to make his home with Mr. and Mrs. Costolow.

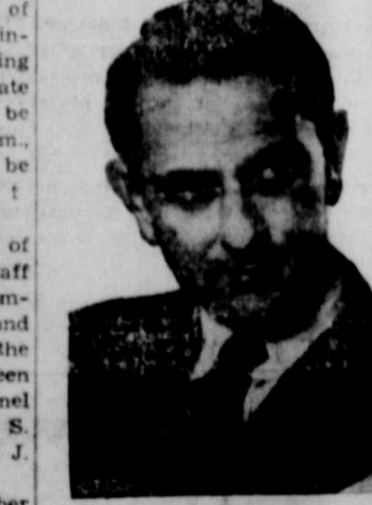
Surviving are: one daughter, Mrs. M. H. Costolow; one son, LeMeul Miller; four brothers Joe J. Miller of Abilene; Robert, Vernon and Walter G. Miller, all of Arkansas; and three grandchildren.

Golf Tournament Postponed

The golf tournament which had been postponed because of unfavorable weather recently, has now been advanced until after the rodeo, announces Chas. Fisher, manager of the club. He asks, however, that all players entering the tournament show in their qualifying scores as soon as possible.

Mr. Fisher states that the greens are now in good condition.

JOHNSON TO BE REPRESENTED



LYNDON B. JOHNSON

A representative for Lyndon B. Johnson, candidate for U. S. Senator, will address citizens of Dickens county, Saturday, June 21, on behalf of Mr. Johnson, who will be unable to appear personally.

The address will be made at 11 a. m. on the streets of Spur.

Joe Louis Retains Heavyweight Title

Joe Louis retained the world heavyweight title by a knockout in the 13th round of his battle with Billy Conn Wednesday night.

One of the hardest fights of the Brown Bomber's career. Both gave and took plenty or hard licks for more than 12 rounds and it was either one's fight until the final blow and ten count.

Duck Creek Soil Conservation Leaders Meet

Seven group leaders appointed by the board of supervisors of the Duck Creek soil conservation district met with the board June 12 at Spur for the purpose of receiving twelve small terracing machines and twelve fresnos granted to the district by the soil conservation service, which will be used in installing conservation practices in the area, Oscar McGinty, secretary of the board, said today.

Riley Wooten, chairman of the board, outlined the procedure for handling and maintaining this equipment to the group leaders and requested that it be used in the priority areas as approved for operations by the board of supervisors. This equipment will be kept at each group leader's farm and members of these groups may secure it when they wish to build terraces or make fills, McGinty said.

Those present for the meeting were as follows: R. R. Wooten, chairman; board of supervisors; Oscar McGinty, secretary of the board; A. A. Fry, Clark Forbis, board member; and John Sharp, C. C. Halle, Fred Henry, Howard Johnston, J. W. Collier, Dave McAteer and George Hicks, group leader. Agency representatives present for the meeting were: Bill Kimbrough, Kent county agent; Mack Woodrum, Dickens county agent; P. D. Allen, vocational agriculture teacher, Jayton; and E. H. Varnell and J. M. Bird, soil conservation service.

New Mail Schedule Spur-Lubbock Route

A new schedule for the Spur-Lubbock mail route is announced, and will become effective Friday, June 20.

The new schedule is as follows: Leave Lubbock railroad station daily, on receipt of mail from train due at 8:00 a. m. and not later than 10:30 a. m. arriving in Spur in two hours and ten minutes.

Leave Lubbock 2 p. m. daily except Sunday and holidays, arrive in Spur at 4:10 p. m.

Leave Spur 12:30 p. m. daily except Sunday and holidays, arriving in Lubbock at 2:40 p. m.

Leave Spur 4:30 p. m. daily arrive Lubbock 6:40 p. m.

Dickens Citizens Club Sponsor Horse Race

The Citizens Club of Dickens is getting things warmed up for the big annual Dickens picnic, July 31 and August 1, by sponsoring a horse race there Thursday, June 26.

A three-quarter mile circle dirt track has been constructed especially for use during the picnic, in the Koonsman pasture in the southern outskirts of Dickens, and will be used for the Thursday race, which will begin at 2 p. m. Twenty-five cents (25c) admission will be charged to make the purse for the race, which will be between a four year old brown mare owned by Leo Speer and a black mare racer owned by Jack Eubanks of Brownfield. Both mares have been rated in several different states and are reputed to be excellent racers.

The committee in charge of the Dickens picnic track is Johnnie Koonsman and Leo Speer, who says that the track will be available to anyone wishing to use it. The committee also advises us that all horses will be eligible to run during the picnic.

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**Wheat Farmers
Finally Reach
Parity Goal**

For the first time since the early 20's when the farm depression hit American agriculture, Texas wheat farmers who cooperate with the 1941 program are going to reach their approximate parity goal on this year's crop.

"That's what the new department of agriculture wheat loan program plus 18 cents for wheat parity and conservation payments mean to Texas wheat farmers," Fred Runnels assistant state administrative officer in charge of the AAA office, declared.

Since wheat farmers approved marketing quotas by a majority of 80.8 per cent in the national referendum May 31, with 94 per cent voting favorably in Texas, the 85 per cent of parity loan becomes mandatory under the law.

The wheat loan rate, which represents an average national loan value to farmers of about 98 cents a bushel, is based on the July 1 parity price for wheat.

The primary purpose in announcing the loan now, Runnels explained, is to give producers in the early wheat areas the same advantage producers in the later wheat areas will have. Wheat harvesting is under way now in some sections of the state and will reach a maximum volume in the next week or two.

The loans, as in previous years, will be made by the commodity credit corporation, and the state and county AAA committees will be responsible for local administration of the program.

All growers planting within their wheat acreage allotments will be eligible for wheat loans on all the wheat they produce. Farmers who exceed their wheat allotments will be eligible for loans at 60 per cent of the regular loan rate applicable to cooperating producers in that particular county on wheat produced on excess acreage.

The loans, with interest at 3 per cent, will be made up to December 31 and will fall due April 30, 1942. The loans are callable on demand.

Loan rates to farmers are based on terminal rates, taking into consideration the location, handling charges, grade and quality of the wheat.

The basic loan rate for Texas is based on wheat stored at Galveston, Runnels said. This rate, which has been announced previously, is \$1.17 per bushel on No. 2 hard winter wheat with the average loan value to Texas estimated at about 94 cents per bushel with added premium for protein.

The price will vary in different counties since the average freight rates applicable to various counties differ because of distance from terminals. For instance, the AAA official pointed out, No. 2 hard winter wheat in Dallam and Sherman counties will be 90 cents per bushel while No. 2 hard winter wheat from Bell and Navarro counties will be 99 cents per bushel if the wheat is stored in the respective counties.

For all grades of yellow hard winter wheat, the loan value per bushel is 2 cents less, 3 cents less for light smutty wheat, 6 cents less for smutty wheat, and mixed wheat 3 cents less. The loan value for mixed wheat containing 10 per cent or more of a class other than hard winter or red winter wheat may be obtained from the special representative of the commodity credit corporation in the respective areas.

Stamford Sponsor for Cowboy Reunion



Betty Jane Blackwell has been selected as Stamford's sponsor at the Texas Cowboy Reunion to be held in that city July 3, 4 and 5. Fifty or more towns and cities are expected to send cowgirl sponsors to represent them at

the Reunion and to compete for the handsome saddle and three other prizes. Miss Blackwell will not compete for the prizes but will assist in entertaining the visiting sponsors. She is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. A. Blackwell.

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Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Dodson enjoyed very much the home coming and reunion of their family Sunday when they gathered at the home six miles east of Spur for a days visit together.

Present were their daughter, Grace and her husband, Charles A. Powell, Jr., of Abilene, Coleman Dodson and wife of Stamford and Miss Helen, student of H. S. U. Abilene and who is home to spend the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Jones of Lubbock, were here Friday looking after business interests and greeting friends.

U. S. Civil Service Examinations Announced

In connection with the plant protection service just organized by the war department, inspectors are to be selected through the civil service examining process who are of unquestioned background, tact, and adaptability. Persons may be eligible to apply who have had full time responsible and appropriate experience as fire marshal or inspector, investigator for fire insurance company, safety director or consultant, or plant engineer. Only persons who can meet high professional and personal standards will be considered for these positions, which pay from \$2,900 to \$4,600 a year. Applications will be rated as received until further notice.

As a corollary to the expansion of the shipbuilding industry, men qualified to inspect naval ordnance materials are needed in the navy department. These inspector positions pay from \$1,620 to \$2,600 a year. The wide scope of the experience and education provisions of the examination for the positions is indicated by the fact that the completion of college study in physics or the inspection or assembly of printing presses may qualify persons for entrance to the examination. In addition, persons may qualify with experience in the tools, instruments, or hydraulically operated mechanism, or in the de-

sign or detail of tools. Completion of any appropriate national defense training course approved by the U. S. office of education as well as appropriate college study may be used to meet the requirements. Applications will be rated as received until further notice.

An examination for deputy game management agent for the fish and wildlife service of the department of the interior has just been announced by the commission. The salary is \$2,000 a year. In addition to completion of 14 units of high school study, 2 years of experience in wildlife conservation, research, game census work, or in appropriate law enforcement work are required. Appropriate college study may be substituted for the experience. Applications for this examination will not be accepted after July 16.

Positions as multilith cameraman and platemaker, \$1,620 a year, and multilith press operator, \$1,440 a year are open in Washington. Applications will be rated as received until June 30, 1942. Paid experience in multilith work is required. For the press operator, completion of an appropriate resident course in the theory and practice of multilith work may be used in place of experience.

Bob Parr, of Washington, D. C. will arrive in Spur by airplane to attend the Spur Round-Up Rodeo and to visit his friends. Young Parr lived at the Pitchfork Ranch and in Spur for about ten years, moving last year with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. V. Parr to Washington, D. C.

Fighting Clothes Moths Made Easy

Clothes moths feed on wool, hair, feather, fur, upholstered furniture and leather, but they do not eat cotton, linen, rayon or other fabrics of vegetable fiber or silk, according to Cameron Siddall, entomologist for the extension service of A. & M. College.

He says articles in a reasonably tight trunk, chest or wooden box can be protected perfectly during the summer by scattering between the folds of the clothing either flake naphthalene or paradichloro benzene. Either of these moth-preventatives should be separated from the clothing by sheets of thin, clean paper. Four ounces will give protection under ideal conditions, but the specialist says it pays to use more—possibly a pound—and be safe. Both chemicals are inexpensive.

The addition of flake naphthalene is advised since it destroys any moth which may have gotten in the clothing before it is wrapped.

Under any circumstances, however, keep all covers tightly closed.

Cold storage is excellent for protecting furs, garments, and rugs from moth injury, Mr. Siddall adds. He explains that dry cleaning kills all forms of moths during that process but it does not give moth resistance. The same is true of washing garments in a strong solution of neutral soap.

Miss Kora Hunsucker, of Matador, spent Monday evening in Spur a guest in the McClure home. Accompanying her home for an over night visit was Wynell McClure.

Other commodities benefiting from the 85 per cent of parity loan program include, cotton, tobacco, corn and rice.

Horse Doctors Not Accepted By Army

The "horse doctor" of yesterday, today is one of the important protectors of public health, says Gen. J. Watt Page, state selective service director, recommending that local boards defer veterinary doctors and students from selection for military training.

Citing a recent report of the office of production management, at Washington, that a "national overall shortage" of veterinarians menaces the success of the national defense program, Gen. Page declared:

"It is a far cry from the 'horse doctor' of grandpa's day to the veterinarian of today pro primarily is a guardian of our food supply and an even 'necessary man' to the nation than his prototype if the pre-automobile period.

"The OPM survey shows that there are around 12,000 graduate veterinary doctors practicing in the U. S. About 80 per cent devote their skill to the protection and care of our livestock while approximately 20 per cent inspect and safeguard our foods of animal origin meat, poultry and dairy products.

"The number of practicing veterinarians in the United States has been practically static for ten years, and the graduates from veterinary schools have been only barely sufficient to offset deaths and retirements. There are no replacements for veterinary doctors except from among the graduates of veterinary colleges and there are absolutely no replacements for veterinary students who are withdrawn from school."

UNKLE HANK SEZ



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New Uses for Cotton Sought In Bill

A \$250,000 cotton research bill, designed to find new uses for cotton, has been passed through the Texas legislature by the two farmer members of the Texas senate, Senators George Moffett of Chillicothe and Marshall Formby of McAdoo.

Governor O'Daniel has signed the bill which will permit the expenditure of a quarter of a million dollars during the next two year period at Texas Technological College, Texas A. & M. College and the University of Texas. The fund will be administered by the presidents of the three schools and all money will be spent on actual research and none for building purposes.

The bill had previously been introduced six times in the legislature by Senator Moffett, and this session he was joined by Senator Formby, another senator who lists his occupation as a dirt farmer.

Senator Moffett said that an expanded market for Texas cotton will do more to relieve unemployment in the small town areas, and will do more to fill up empty houses and stores than anything we can do for this state. He stated that the lack of markets for cotton products has curtailed the cotton acreage and consequently has driven thousands of Texas farmers. "It is quite proper," he said, "that Texas, the leading cotton state, should take the lead in finding new uses for cotton."

Senator Formby pointed out that the DuPont Industries in the North-east spend millions each year in research. "The only thing wrong with this bill," Formby said, "is that we passed it in Texas about 20 years too late. When we find markets for the cotton we can produce in Texas, this state will forget about hard times. Prosperity will be here again."

Junction High School Students Win Awards

Four Junction high school students, members of the 1941 championship FFA livestock judging team selected by state vocational agricultural officials, will receive the educational award of the Panhandle & Santa Fe Railway. This was announced by H. C. Vincent, general freight and passenger agent.

Members of the winning team in the P & S F territory are Bill Allee, James Herring, Horace Maddox and R. V. Ball, alternate. William W. Gregory, vocational agricultural teacher at Junction high school, and coach of the winning team, likewise shares in the educational token made annually by the railroad to outstanding FFA groups.

Acknowledgement of the awards will be made at a meeting of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association held in Junction June 5.

Certificates of merit attesting the talents of the team, signed by President E. J. Engle of the Santa Fe, was also presented by H. M. Bainer, general agricultural agent of the system. Several representatives of the railway took part in the meeting including E. A. Tusha, division freight and passenger agent at San Angelo.

Mrs. Berta Emerson returned Monday to her home in Hobbs, New Mexico, following a visit of several days with her sister, Mrs. Hill Perry and Mr. Perry.

National Defense Expenditures Come High

Within the borders of Texas, national defense activity represented in government contracts and expenditures has topped the half billion dollar mark.

The exact figure, according to B. Frank White, acting state director for the office of government reports, is \$507,199,524, through May 31. This amount does not include, Mr. White said, awards to Texas concerns which fulfill their contracts outside the state.

Biggest boost to the Texas total during the last two weeks in May came with the \$163,640,000 contract to Consolidated Aircraft of San Diego, California, for the construction of heavy bombers at the Fort Worth plant. A later contract to Consolidated does not indicate the proportion allocated to the Fort Worth plant, Mr. White said.

Shelterbelts Will Protect Gardens

Many farm gardens and watermelon patches in Northwest Texas will be protected this summer by shelterbelts from hot winds and blistering sunshine the U. S. Forestry Service has learned from county extension agents in that area.

Workers on the Prairie State Forestry projects at Wichita Falls report that several years ago W. H. Cunningham of Lamb county purchased an old ball park fence to protect his garden. For the past two years Chinese elms he planted in 1938 have given him all the protection he needs. His nearby shelterbelt has made this protection even more effective.

Recently another farmer with no protected field sought to lease land adjacent to the R. M. Biter farm in Wilbarger county for growing watermelons. The Biter farm is protected by shelterbelt planting. Forestry workers say that with over 80 per cent of approximately 1,700 miles of shelterbelt tall enough to provide protection for areas reaching out 100 to 200 feet, operators of farms with these trees are protecting the family's food supply.

Santa Fe Carloadings Show Gains

The Santa Fe Railway System carloadings for the week ending June 14, were 22,316 compared with 19,211 for the same period in 1940. Received from connections were 7,951 compared with 5,106 for the same week in 1940. The total cars moved were 29,367 compared with 24,317 for the same week in 1940. The Santa Fe handled a total of 30,083 cars during the preceding week of this year.

Mrs. Rex Carlisle of the Duck Creek community was in town Monday.

Miss Joyce Koon returned Tuesday to McAline where she is in nurses training. She has been spending her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Koon of Spur.

V. V. Parr, of Washington, D. C. and former manager of the Pitchfork Ranch, spent several days the first of the week in Spur, looking after business interests and greeting friends in Spur.

NOW THE HIGH LINE'S HERE

By Frank J. G. Duck, Secretary Farm Electrification Bureau

FOR general illumination, all bedrooms should have a center ceiling outlet operated by a wall switch at the entrance. Supplemental light should be provided for the vanity or dresser, preferably from table rather than bracket lamps. The former can be attached to convenience outlets and controlled at the lamp socket. Protection as well as convenience makes it advisable to install a three-way switch in the master bedroom to control the yard lights.

Bathroom Needs Special Care
In addition to those already mentioned, convenience outlets also should be located near the head of the bed for a reading lamp or heating pad. If the room is large, a few additional outlets will permit the more easy use of a vacuum cleaner. Bracket lights, on opposite sides of the mirror, as well as a center ceiling unit, should be provided in the bathroom; the latter operated by a wall switch, the former at the fixtures. In small rooms, bracket lights controlled by a wall switch probably will furnish adequate illumination. To prevent corrosion from moisture, all light sockets should be of porcelain or composition material.

A duplex outlet with a non-metallic (Bakelite or other similar material) face plate should be installed near the wash basin for dry shaver, curling iron, immersion heater, milk bottle warmer, hair dryer, health lamp and like appliances. A convenience outlet with regular face plate may be provided for a portable heater. The duplex outlet should be placed as far from the bathtub as possible—both its location and material being such as to reduce to a minimum the danger of electrical shock while the body is in contact with water.

Attic Requirements Vary
An open attic requires only a central lighting fixture attached to the gable of the roof. If completely finished, the lighting and outlet requirements will depend upon the use which is to be made of the various rooms. In either case, the principal light should at least be controlled by a wall switch at the foot of the stairway to the attic. It is essential that a light be properly placed to fully illuminate the stairway to the basement. This



Above — Good light and running water make for easier shaving.

special circuit must be provided for each piece of equipment.

If the basement is finished and divided into several rooms, the lighting and outlet needs will vary with the use to be made of each. Your electrical contractor will advise you regarding any special or unusual requirements.

As the garage may be attached to the house, it will be considered here. A light on the outside, controlled by one switch inside the doorway of the garage and another at the most convenient entrance to the house, is necessary to illuminate the driveway. Two R.L.M. stand



Right — Pin-up lamps plus center fixture add charm to this bedroom.

should be operated by a wall switch, with pilot signal, located at the head of the steps. Other lights, preferably placed near the ceiling and fitted with covered reflectors, can be controlled by a single switch at the foot of the stairs. If there are two entrances to the basement, a three-way switch should be installed at each door. Porcelain or composition light sockets should be used here as in the bathroom.

Enough properly-placed convenience outlets, preferably located in the ceiling to keep the connecting wires dry, must be installed to operate the washing machine, ironer, small electric tools and other appliances. If a water heater, water supply system, oil burner, stoker or air conditioner is installed, a

hard dome reflectors (to be discussed later) should be installed at the ceiling—one over the usual position of the car engine and the other over the work bench (the same type of fixture also should be employed over the work bench in the basement of the home). The light over the engine should be operated by three-way switches, one located at the nearest entrance to the house, the other at the main doors to the garage. That over the work bench should be controlled by a pull chain.

At least one duplex convenience outlet should be located on the wall above the work bench. This will not only permit the use of electrical tools but also a trouble lamp and battery charger.

Montana Man Heads Rotary International

Delegates representing the majority of the 210,000 Rotarians and 5,000 Rotary clubs of more than 60 countries of the world, at the final session of the 1941 Convention of Rotary International, elected Tom J. Davis, of Butte, Montana, as president of the organization for 1941-42. Mr. Davis, who succeeds Armando de Arruda Pereira, of Sao Paulo, Brazil, is one of the most outstanding legal men in Montana. A University of Michigan graduate, Mr. Davis is Counsel in Montana for Safeway Stores, F. W. Woolworth, Soo Line Railway, Northwest Casualty Co., and the board of trustees of the Butte Miners Union. He is a member of the county, state and national bar associations.

Mr. Davis will deliver his inaugural address Friday, June 20.

Named to Rotary's board of directors for 1941-42 at the final session were J. Gerlein Comelin, Barranquilla, Colombia; J. Serratoso Cibils, Montevideo, Uruguay; C. J. Steiger, Zurich, Switzerland; Yen Te-Ching, Shanghai, China; Francis A. Kettaneh, Beyrouth, Lebanon; and T. A. Warren, Wolverhampton England; as well as six additional directors from North America.

One of the largest and perhaps the most international convention held in the United States this year, the Rotary convention attracted more than 9,000 Rotarians and their families from almost a score and a half countries. The convention was inaugurated on Sunday evening, June 15, at beautiful Red Rocks Park Amphitheatre, with ceremonies which featured Metropolitan Opera star Helen Jepson, and 80-piece symphony orchestra, a chorus of 100 voices, and addresses by Hon. Ralph L. Carr, Governor of Colorado; Hon. Ben F. Stapleton, Mayor of Denver; and Armando de Arruda Pereira, President of Rotary International.

The convention program during the week included the addresses of Barclay Acheson, Roving Editor of Reader's Digest; Dr. Kenneth Mc-

Farland, prominent Kansas educator; Clarence Streit, of Union Now fame; Clifton L. Utley, well known radio news commentator and expert foreign affairs; Dr. Hugh C. Stutz, lecturer of Scarritt College; Rilea Doe, Vice-President of Safeway Stores; Miles Robertson, General Manager of Oneida Limited; Hon. C. F. Ziedler, youthful Mayor of Milwaukee, Wisconsin; and of many prominent Rotarians entertain features, in addition to the Sunday night ceremonies, included typical Western entertainment and a style show for the ladies, banquets, special entertainment at Lakeside Park, and the gala President's Ball, held in honor of President and Mrs. Pereira and the other Rotary International officers and their wives.

Toronto, Ontario, Canada, has been chosen as the site of next year's convention of Rotary International.

Mr. and Mrs. David McAteer, of six miles south of Dickens this week end and attend the Spur rodeo Friday night and Saturday.

Surplus Food For July Planned

Fresh cabbage and snap beans have been added to the list of surplus foods which will be obtainable in exchange for food stamps at local stores in stamp plan areas during July. In the same announcement the department of agriculture added that butter and fresh carrots, available nationally during May in all areas, are not included on the July list.

With these revisions, the complete list of blue stamp foods for July in all stamp plan areas is: fresh grapefruit, oranges, apples, cabbage, snap beans, Irish potatoes, raisins, pork lard, all pork (except that cooked or packed in metal or glass containers) corn meal, shell eggs, dried prunes, hominy, (corn) grits, dry edible beans, wheat flour and whole wheat (Graham) flour.

Miss Patsy Ayers of Stalon will be the guest of Wynell McClure this week end and attend the Spur rodeo Friday night and Saturday.

Stanford Reunion Will Attract Many Visitors

Two main features of the Texas Cowboy Reunion, which annually attracts thousands of visitors to Stamford are the old fiddlers contest and the chuck wagon meals which are served from wagons brought in from well known West Texas ranches for occasion. This year's Reunion, the twelfth annual showing, will be held on July 3, 4 and 5.

The old fiddlers contest, the biggest free attraction of the Reunion, will be held in Coombes Round-up Hall on the morning of July 4, the second day. No entrance fee is required of the contestants and spectators are admitted free. Prizes totaling \$3.50 go to the four top winners, as follows: First, \$15; second, \$10; third, \$5 and fourth \$2.50.

More than twenty-five contestants from throughout the state are expected to enter this year's contest, according to J. T. Stell, Stamford, chairman. A number of registrants already have been received. Contestants must not be less than 50 years of age, and professional musicians are barred. Each contestant is allowed to select the two tunes he plays, but they must be "break-downs". The fiddler may play alone or select his own second.

Among the ranches expected to send chuck wagons this year include the 6666 ranch of Guthrie, the Matador ranch of Matador, the DDD ranch, Reynolds Land and Cattle Co. of Kent county; SMS Flattop ranch, Stamford, SMS Spur ranch, the SMS Throckmorton ranch, Throckmorton and the Bar-Cross ranch Colorado City.

These wagons and their cook crews come in from the ranches immediately after the spring roundup and branding operations are over, set up and feed the visitors the regular chuck wagon grub and plenty of it at very reasonable prices. All the wagons also participate in the big parade which this year will be staged on the first day of the Reunion, July 3.

Other principal features of the Reunion this year, besides the three daily rodeo performances, will be the quarter horse show, the annual official show of the American Quarter Horse Association, the cowgirl sponsor contest, which this year will be staged in the arena as a part of the afternoon and night rodeo performance, the annual convention of old-time cowboys, two big dances each night, and a demonstration in the arena at each night performance by the famous Stamford Square Dance Team, which recently returned from the National Folk Festival at Washington.

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RURAL TRENDS

BY
ROGER M. KYES
Director, National Farm Youth Foundation

THESE UNITED STATES

Most of us carry a history book conception of the United States without realizing that each day brings about a change both in our country and in our citizens' conception of it.

The earliest conception was that of a union of colonies for common benefit. The thirteen colonies nestled along the eastern seaboard. Their problems of government were simple and their conceptions of community life were much alike.



Kyes

As the country expanded and people migrated westward, something happened to them. The land got into their blood. From their point of view, people who migrated found the United States to be a very different place, considering it as a whole, than the common view of their relatives and friends they left behind—satisfied that all that was worth while in the United States was east of the Allegheny mountains. To those on the seaboard a man who migrated to the Western Reserve, which to many means northern Ohio, was considered a westerner. The more daring of the Piedmont region ventured into the wilderness, which is now Alabama. Such pioneering built great people, molded by the land.

By 1830 "The Grand Prairie" was settled. It was "way out west" in what is now western Indiana and southern Illinois. Today we know that geographically "The Grand Prairie" is just a good start toward a jaunt to the west coast of the United States.

The drama of pioneering re-occurred time after time, as the wave of population and settlement slowly blanketed the land like an irresistible force pushing its way slowly but with determination from the eastern seaboard to the west coast of the United States. The pattern was always the same. One-room log huts with greased paper windows. These were accompanied by simple clothes and simple food. Through trial and error these people adapted themselves to the section of the country they had chosen as their home-land. In so doing, they became a part of the land. The economic and political development that took place in this country was simply a manifestation of the people who in turn reacted directly to the natural wealth and opportunity found in the soil. Talk to the people in any locality from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and you will find that the product of the land on which people live, its location, influence their thinking directly and indirectly as well.

The present situation in Europe gives a good example of the influence of geography on our thinking.

The New Yorker can almost see the planes coming over the horizon to bomb our great metropolis. The harbor of New York is the haven of exporters and importers who see their peacetime markets replaced by markets for war supplies. The result is that they have war constantly on their minds, both in business and at home.

Coal and iron ore have made the Great Lakes region the "black-smith shop" of the nation. Pittsburgh, Cleveland and Detroit are humming with preparations for production. The people in this district feel that invasion sounds like a remote possibility, but it's a good idea to have plenty of guns in the house so we can do a little shooting if the invader happens to show up.

The Grand Prairie is worrying about parity prices. The great concern is the impending rise in prices of industrial goods without a sufficient rise in farm prices to keep rural America on a par. Defense may bring economic troubles to the Grand Prairie.

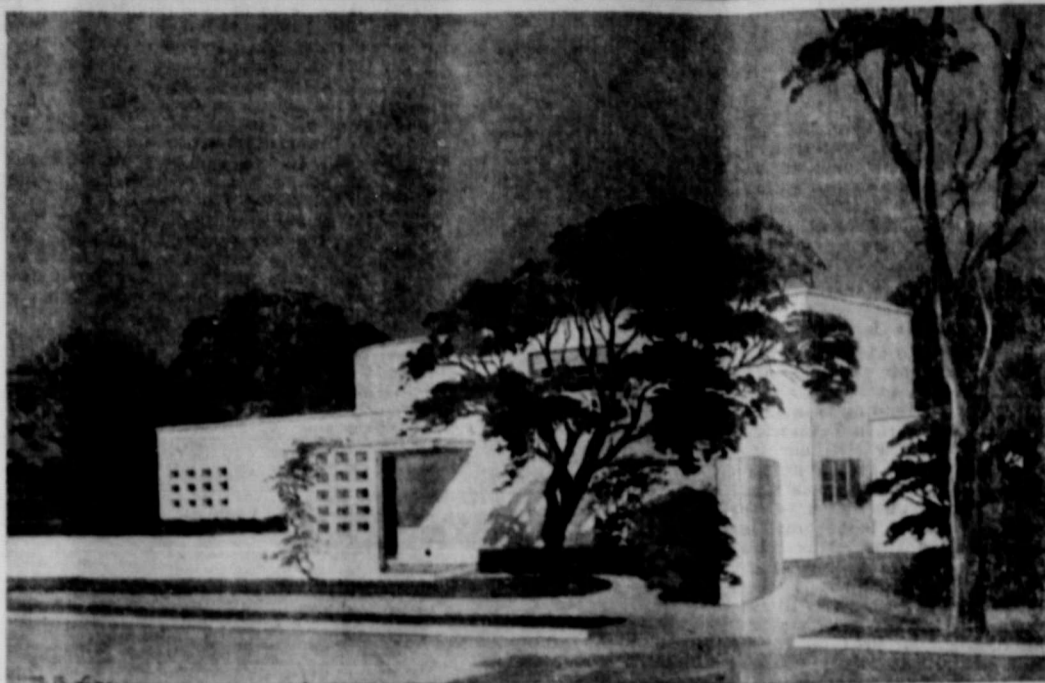
Each section is equally patriotic and willing to help our defense. The interesting thing, however, is the fact that each section is reacting differently to our national emergency and each has a different conception of how it should be handled.

Crate Solder, of New Orleans, Louisiana, arrived Saturday to spend a two weeks vacation visiting his parents and sister Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Snider, Neitha Campbell and son Sherron.

Mrs. Hardy Mecon and small son, day to spend the week visiting Mr. William, Jr., of Houston arrived Friday and Mrs. J. I. Mecon and Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Bell.

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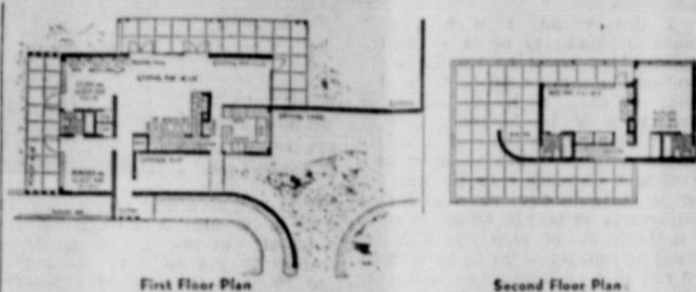
A Distinguished Modern House



HERE is a house which seems to reflect the real spirit of modern architecture. Although its lines are simple, it does not have the somewhat bare appearance that many ultra-modern houses do.

Its plan is particularly interesting, featured by the living room, study, and dining room on the first floor, which open out into each other to provide one room across the back of the house. More adaptable for moderate climates than for extremely cold ones, its large glass areas supply an abundance of sunlight throughout the house. There are two bedrooms on the first floor, and one on the second, with provision for an additional bedroom and bath if needed. Both the downstairs bedrooms can be used for other purposes.

Copper roofs have given centuries of service and it is recommended that this metal be used, but, if not, and some other quality material is



specified, Copper should be applied for valleys, flashings, gutters and downspouts.
Either Brass pipe or Copper tube is recommended for water lines because they will give satisfactory service. These metals will not rust and will effectively withstand corrosion.
Because of the damage to home owners, amounting to approximately \$50,000,000 annually, caused by termites, it is recommended that this home be protected against the

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"Names make news."

When praised for his generosity in accepting an invitation to speak, District Judge Bascom Gist of Tyler replied: "There are two classes of people—those who make speeches and those that listen to them. I would rather make a speech than have to listen to one."

One of the most faithful readers of this column each week is former District Judge Ralph Yarborough of Austin. Recently he told me, "Your column two weeks ago was the best you've ever written." To which your columnist replied, "Thanks very much by the way, all the things in that particular column were clipped from other papers and credited to them; I didn't write a line of it." And then you should have seen the judge turn a delicate shade pink and try to explain away his remark.

A young man (according to a story I hear) stepped out of a taxi cab in front of a hotel in Lubbock and remarked to the driver, "I'll be right back; my name is Marvin Brown and I'm the district attorney from Fort Worth." The taxidriver drawled "Yeah, and my name is Thomas E. Dewey and I'm the district attorney from New York and I'll just go along with you." The "fare" grinned and they went in together and the hotel cashier cashed the check because the chap really was District Attorney Marvin Brown.

Several years back, your columnist wrote a book, "Were You In Ranger?" and because Amon Carter had made it possible for me to eat regularly during the depression by providing me with a job on the news staff, the first copy off the press was presented to him. Recently when my newest, "Oil Boom," came out, the publisher of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram received a book with his inscription, "The No. 1 copy off the press is presented to the No. 1 Texan."

An Oklahoma editor published two pictures, one of a dilapidated house and the other of an eroded field, and invited his readers to take part in a "You Write the Story," contest. Here is the prize winning letter, written by an Indian:

Both pictures show white man crazy. Make big teepee, plow hill. Water wash; wind blow soil. Grass gone, land gone, door gone, window gone, whole place gone to —Buck gone. Squaw gone, too. Papoose gone. No pig, no corn, no cow, no hay, no pony.

Indian now plow land. Keep grass. Buffalo eat Indian eat buffalo. Hide make teepee, make mocasin. Indian no make terraces, no build dam, no give d—. All time eat. No hunt job, no hitch-hike, no ask relief. No shoot pig. Great Spirit make grass. Indian no waste anything. Indian no work. White man heap loco. Ain't civilization wonderful?
(Quoted from L. F. Wade's Jayton Chronicle)

Three of the most celebrated names in athletics—all of them Texans, in fact all of them residents of the same town, Sweetwater—recently bought thoroughbred horses, perhaps in the hope that some of these days soon horse racing again will be permitted in the state. Lew Jenkins, world's lightweight boxing champion bought two thoroughbred mares from Sheriff Tom Wade of Nolan County. Sam Baugh, greatest star of pro-football, also bought a mare from Sheriff Wade as did Bulldog Turner, Great pro-football center.

A Fort Worth cafe with a very lofty ceiling has a sign high in a corner, "What are you looking away up here for, anyhow?"

R. D. Snowball in the Hidalgo County News announces grapefruit bread. Four gallons of the juice is used for each barrel of flour. National distribution is planned.

New Ruling Made For Naval Recruits

Older men unable to find openings in other branches of the armed forces may offer their services to their country for the duration of the national emergency by enlisting in class V-6, United States naval reserve. This class of reverts remains enlisted men and are not in line for commission as officers.

Word that men both with and without former naval service would be considered for this classification, provided they have not reached their 31st birthday, came today from the headquarters of the Eight Naval District, New Orleans. Minimum age for enlistment is 17 and pay is based upon the rating for which the individual may qualify by reason of his civilian occupation and experience.

Men enlisted in the rating of apprentice seamen will be placed immediately on active duty and ordered to the various naval training stations in the same manner as regular recruits. Up on completion of this training, men will be sent to school for their specialty if qualified according to present standards. Older men who are enlisted in higher ratings will be ordered home in an inactive-duty status until such time as their services may be required.

Inquiries regarding class V-6 should be directed to the Naval Reserve Armory, 829 Camp Street, New Orleans, or to the nearest navy recruiting station.

The naval reserve enlistment is for a four-year period. Enlisted men of the naval reserve are called into active duty when needed in time of emergency and revert to inactive status when their services can be spared after the emergency.

M. B. Gage, commissioner of precinct No. 4 was a business visitor to Spur Tuesday. Mr. Gage reports his section of the country wet. They having had rains Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Forbis of Afton were business visitors in Spur Saturday.

L. A. Gautham, good farmer of the Red Hill community was greeting friends on the streets of Spur Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. James B. Reed had a dinner guests Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Ivey, son and daughter, Doney and Mrs. Evelyn Branum and of Miss Davis, of Rotan.

Judge W. D. Wilson of Lubbock, was in Spur Wednesday attending to business and seeing his many friends.

C. P. Aufil, commissioner of precinct 2 was a business visitor in Spur Tuesday.

Southern Wildlife

One of the sea's rarest and odd fish is the deep-sea angler. The largest male are 1 to 2 inches long; the largest females, about 3 feet. Displaying a monogamous tendency almost incredible, the male attaches himself by a little fringe of flesh to his mate's body and proceeds to grow there, becoming entirely parasitic. The female has a mouth almost a foot wide, over which dangles a long growth with a beautiful, tassel-like affair at the end. This natural fish lure has a light in its tip, furthermore, to make it doubly attractive. Quietly confident that things will come her way, the female just lies on the sea floor with her mouth open, rangling her luminescent lure. As the smallest fish swim toward the lure, she swishes it out of the way, and that's that. The female is fed directly; the male, through his now tightly grown alimentary canal, being fed indirectly.

Blackbird Pie
It has been suggested that starlings prepared in "blackbird pies" make quite an edible dish, and that idea, if passed around, may take some of them out of circulation. They are getting to be a real nuisance in most of the Southern States.

Cigarettes for Measuring Fish
It might save you a fine and besides, it isn't sportsmanship to take underize fish. When you are caught without a rule, remember that the length of any standard cigarette is 3 1/2 inches and that of the new longies is 3 3/4 inches. Lay your cigarette end to end besides the fish in doubt and add the total.

Only One American Breed?
Sportsmen in general don't seem to know that most of our sporting breed of dogs are "furriners." The Chesapeake Bay retriever is an American breed. Some handlers say the Kentucky Foxhound and some other dogs are also American breeds, but there seems to be some doubt about them.

Jonah of the Fish World
The Lufkin News, an East Texas, daily newspaper, says that Jonah, who lived to tell about being swallowed by a whale, had nothing on the minnow. Three weeks after the minnow flipped out of the stomach of a crappie being dressed at the home of Joseph W. Rodes of San Antonio, the tiny fish is swimming about in a small tank and thriving on malt meal. How long the minnow had been in the crappie's stomach nobody knows. It has been named Jonah.

Quail Lore
A large percentage of quail nests are located within 30 feet from the edge of a field. If there are not too many roaming cats and dogs, the quail seem to prefer nests along roads paths and occasionally close to dwellings.

Mobile Unit Obtained

A Texas electric cooperative—the Texas Power Reserve Cooperative, is the second power reserve cooperative in the nation which the Rural Electrification Administration has allotted funds for the purchase of a mobile generating unit. A number of mobile units are being purchased in the interest of national defense.

The membership of the Texas power reserve comprises eight cooperatives in the Austin area.

Mrs. J. F. Hughes and daughters, Miss Anne and Monna and Mrs. W. A. McAlpine spent Tuesday afternoon in Matador as party guests of Mrs. Newman who entertained honoring her house guest, her daughter, Mrs. Helen Weaver, of Dallas.

Mrs. Heart C. Shoemaker and daughter, Miss Green, of Abilene, stopped over for a brief visit with Wynell McClure, while en route home from Floydada It Wednesday of last week.

R. R. Wooten of McAdoo, was in Spur Tuesday campaigning for Lyndon Johnson for the U. S. Senate.

Jimmie Koonsman, stock farmer of Wichita, was looking after business matters in Spur Monday.

Bob Money, of Highway, was a business visitor to Spur Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Forbis of Afton were shopping and visiting in Spur Tuesday. Frank says the recent heavy rains have all but washed his farm away.

Mrs. Evelyn Townsend of Madill, Oklahoma, will spend the week end in Spur the guest of Mrs. Roy Harkey.

Valuable Cows
William Mercer, who lives near Middlesbourn, West Virginia, noticed that his cows' noses were greasy and that their milk had a gaseous odor. Then he found oil covering his built a dam. Now he is collecting spring and gas bubbling up, so he about a barrel of crude a day. "First time I ever heard of an old cow finding an oil well."

National Debt Still Growing

The United States will soon face a national debt of from 75 to 100 billion dollars.

This is the viewpoint held by the state's lawyers, who were addressed here last week by Roswell Magill, Columbia University professor of law and former undersecretary of the treasury. Magill spoke before the First Texas Lawyers' Institute, meeting on the University of Texas campus.

The Columbia tax expert warned that the American public immediately faces taxation of four or more times that of last year, in addition to increasing governmental regulations and power to commandeer property and men.

Magill was optimistic, however, concerning America's ability to conquer its "new frontiers."
"We need not be unduly pessimistic about the future. We still have the resources, we still have the manpower to make this a great nation."

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Lee and Mrs. Talbot made a trip to Anson Wednesday afternoon to get dewberries. Mr. and Mrs. Lee picked and brought home ten gallons at ten cents per gallon and says berry patches and orchards are full of fruit at a very reasonable price.

Mr. and Mrs. Ogden Cox left Tuesday for Fort Worth where they will spend a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Austin and children of 4 miles south of Dickens combined business and pleasure in a day spent in Spur Saturday.

A sign in Kingsville must have been written by someone with a poetic mind: "Canaries in full sing." People living in glass houses should not throw stones, we've read. But there is a jewelry store in Austin that has a front door made of glass.

Amazing has been the rapid rise in sentiment from Lyndon Johnson in the United States Senate race as shown by every straw vote and poll. The trend is strongly toward Johnson, observers declare, and they account for it as due to his familiarity with national problems from actual experience and service in Washington; a wide feeling that the Governor and the Attorney General can not be spared from the state duties, which they agreed to fill for the next 18 months, to take up new and unfamiliar duties, whereas if Johnson is elected, it would constitute simply a promotion and—biggest factor, perhaps the close political and personal friendship between Johnson and President Roosevelt at a time of national and world crisis when teamwork and cooperation with our leader are necessary if America is to survive.

Judge—Have you anything to offer the court before sentence is passed on you?
Prisoner—Nothing, Your Honor; my lawyer got my last cent.

A middle-aged woman lost her balance and fell out of a window into a garbage can. A Chinaman walking along remarked: "Americans very wasteful. That woman good for ten years yet."



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Social Happenings

Foster-Hurst Wedding

A marriage of interest to a large circle of friends of the family in this area was that of Miss Grace Foster, daughter of Mrs. Era Foster and the late J. M. Foster, a pioneer Dickens county family and J. L. Hurst, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andy Hurst.

The marriage rites were read at the home of the bride's mother, 813 North Parker, Tuesday, June 17 at 5:45 o'clock in the evening. Rev. H. L. Thurston officiated with a single ring ceremony.

Attending the couple were Miss Betty Lynn Brown and Billy D. Bell. Wedding guests included members of the immediate families and a few friends.

The bride wore a turquoise suit with rose accessories and corsage of white carnations. She is a graduate of Spur High School with the class of 1939 and the past two years has attended McMurry College, Abilene, majoring in music.

Mr. Hurst is a graduate of Roaring Springs High School and entered McMurry College at the beginning of the 1939 fall term.

Immediately after the ceremony the couple left for Abilene.

Cross Family Reunion Held at Memorial Park

An all day family reunion was enjoyed by the family of Mrs. Susan Cross Saturday at the Charles A. Jones memorial park north of Spur.

Children, grand children, great grand children, a total of thirty attending. They are Mrs. J. C. Marshall, her husband and their two sons of Wingate, Texas, Jim Cross and wife, grand sons, Dee Cross, Arnold Cross and wife and son - Hereford, Texas, Mrs. Ed Fuqua, Mr. Fuqua, children and grand children including Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stone-man and children, Mrs. John Reed, Mr. Reed and their daughter Miss Leta Dell (Sweet) Reed and grand son Sonny Slough, Elmer Cross and wife, Mrs. Dessie Mae Benson and husband, R. L. Benson. Absent were one daughter, Mrs. Anne Raton, two grand daughters, one grand son, his wife and four great grand sons.

This is the first reunion of this pioneer family since 1935.

The entire family enjoyed so much being together and Mother Cross was made very happy.

San Souci Club Entertained

Mrs. Bill McAlpine entertained the San Souci Bridge Club Tuesday morning with a two course breakfast and bridge at her home in the New Addition. The party rooms were beautifully decorated with roses and larkspur.

The members attending were: Mesdames Neal A. Chastain, Jack Christian, Alf Glasgow, Roy Harkey, Crit McDonald, L. E. Sandefur, Tye Allen, J. B. Johnston, Pike Nichols. Guests were: Mrs. A. C. Hull, Misses Lucile Lucas and Anna Mae Lassiter.

Mrs. Standefur was presented the club prize and Mrs. Hull received the guest favor.

Hogan Family Has Round-Up Father's Day

Gathering in for a week end visit and to spend Father's Day under the paternal roof were the Hogan children: Mmes. Sam Clemmons, two children, Mary Elizabeth and Sue and Dudley Wooten, of Amarillo, Mrs. Raymond Higginbotham and Mr. Higginbotham, of Coleman, spent the week end. Mrs. Woodrow Duckworth and Mr. Duckworth were Sunday dinner guests also Pat who is at home and Mrs. Lura Glasgow sister of Mr. Hogan who at present is making her home with the Hogans.

Accompanying Mmes. Clemmons and Wooten to Amarillo was their mother, Mrs. Hogan who will visit in their homes a few days before returning to Spur.

Smith-McArthur Marriage Rites

Miss Mary Lee Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Smith and Woodrow McArthur, fourth and youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom McArthur all of the Lower Red Mud community in Kent county, stole a march on their parents and friends and hid themselves of to Jayton Saturday night, May 31, where they united in marriage.

The bride is a graduate of Spur High School with the class of 1941.

Young McArthur is a graduate of Spur High School with the class of 1938. He was a student at Texas Technological College during the school sessions of 1938-39 and 1940-41 and since that time has been farming and assisting his father with his stock farming operations at their ranch home on Lower Red Mud.

Mrs. Engleman Club Hostess Friday

The beautiful appointed home of Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Engleman, 328 East Second Street, decorated in early summer garden flowers was the scene of the Tripple Trey Club party Friday afternoon when Mrs. Engleman entertained with a two table bridge party.

Mrs. H. B. Thompson, who with Mr. Thompson are moving from Spur to Chillicothe was honored. Her club members presenting her a going away gift.

Others playing were: Mmes. Mac Woodrum, Alf Glasgow, Pike Nichols, Burford Johnston, Martin Pope, L. D. Ratliff members and Miss Anna Mae Lassiter guest.

Party favors went to Mrs. Johnston high club and Miss Lassiter, guest.

A salad refreshment plate with fruit punch was served to those named and the hostess Mrs. Engleman.

London Bridge Club Members Luncheon Guests

Mrs. Charles F. Hardwick was a delightful hostess Thursday when she entertained her London Bridge Club with a luncheon at 12:30 o'clock at her home 305 East Harris Street. Table decorations bridge appointments prizes and house decorations featured the patriotic colors.

Members present were: Mmes. Harvey Giddings, Lynn Buzbee, Crit McDonald, Harvey Holly, Jack Senning, T. E. Milam, O. B. Ratliff and Truman Green, Mrs. Bill Walton guest.

Bridge prizes went to Mrs. O. B. Ratliff club and Mrs. Walton guest.

Music Club Meets

The piano and violin pupils and some invited guests met in the home of Mrs. J. E. Berry Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Numbers were rendered, theory taught and a general good time was enjoyed by all. Those present were Amanda Boothe, Lucy Nell Boothe, Ned Blackwell, Alberta Lynn Donwoody, Foreline Mecum, Eureka Hoover, Gayle Beece, Dennis Bingham, John E. and Ernestine Berry and Mrs. Schuyler Boothe.

Hostess at Texas Cowboy Reunion



Mrs. Lee Walker has been named as hostess to the cowgirl sponsors who will represent the various cities and towns of West Texas at the Twelfth Annual

Texas Cowboy Reunion at Stamford July 3, 4 and 5. Mrs. Walker is the wife of the Stamford football coach and sponsors the school pep squad.

1925 Bridge Club Entertained

Mrs. L. E. Standifer entertained the 1925 Bridge Club Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at her home, 702 North Parker.

The members attending were: Mesdames Henry Alexander, Della Eaton, F. W. Jennings, A. C. Hull, Bill McAlpine, Ann McClure, T. E. Milam, R. R. Wooten.

The club favor was received by Mrs. McAlpine.

A lovely salad plate was served by the hostess, Mrs. Standifer, assisted by her little daughter, Ann.

Our Stewardship for Christian Citizenship

Was the subject for the program of the Woman's Society of Christian Service Monday. Mrs. Hobert Lewis was the leader for the afternoon. Mrs. C. O. Fox read the scripture from Isaiah 28:7. Other members present were: Mmes. L. R. Barrett, W. S. Campbell, H. L. Thurston, Bill McClung, J. C. Payne, W. F. Gilbert, J. J. Ensey, C. H. McCulley, and Miss Ette Fite. Ladies of the church are invited to the home of Mrs. McCulley next Monday where Mrs. J. L. Henson will talk on her experiences in China.

Club News

The Highway home demonstration club met June 12 in the home of Mrs. T. L. Denson. As a brief story telling contest ended and the program given to Miss Perrin, agent. She reminded us to have our pressure cookers tested for defects, to insure safety, in our canned foods, and avoid mishaps, this canning season. Also bringing us a very interest-

ing lesson on making pictures for the living room.

"Now that it is flower season," said Miss Perrin, why not use them in pictures? As she displayed gay flower prints, properly framed. We find most magazines carrying lovely pictures and the 5 and 10 cent stores inexpensive frames enabling us to have new, pleasing pictures at little expense.

Our next lesson, making simple attractive cookies and variations in refreshments will be given June 26 in the home of Mrs. Maude Denson.

Reporter.

Mrs. Fayette Roberson, Mrs. Minnie Lee and son, E. J. Lee, of San Monica, arrived in Spur Tuesday morning to visit Mr. and Mrs. Buster Roberson and to return to California. Orval Roberson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fayette Roberson, who has been with his grand parents the past several months, Mrs. Lee and son will visit relatives in Dallas before returning home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben H. Nolan, of Bracketville, Texas, arrived in Spur Monday to spend a visit until Wednesday with her sister, Mrs. S. C. Falls, Wednesday morning Mrs. Falls accompanied them to Dallas where she will spend an indefinite visit. She plans to visit San Antonio and Del Rio also and return by way of Brownwood to visit Mr. Falls.

Planting More Dry Edible Beans

An increase of 35 per cent in the acreage this season to dry edible beans of the white variety is sought in the United States. Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard said the increase will be required to assure adequate supplies and reserves to meet the needs of domestic commerce, school lunches, relief and export demands, as well as for shipment under the Lend-Lease act and by the Red Cross.

According to J. F. Rosborough, extension horticulturist, commercial bean growing in Texas is conducted on a minor scale, and is centered in the El Paso Valley and the southern part of the Texas-New Mexico border.

The department of agriculture has announced that growers taking part in this program and increasing their acreage of the desired varieties of white beans and medium white, Great Northern, and small white will not incur any deductions from their AAA payments.

Production of the three varieties in 1940 totaled about 6,200,000 bags, cleaned basis, of 100 pounds each.

Citation by Publication Of Final Account

The State of Texas

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Dickens County, Greeting:

Tallye Windham, Administratrix of the estate of Mrs. Maude Windham, deceased, having filed in our county court her Final Account of the condition of the estate of said Mrs. Maude Windham, deceased, numbered 439 on the Probate Docket of Dickens County, together with an application to be discharged from said trust and for partition of said estate.

You are hereby commanded, that the publication of this writ for twenty (20) days in a newspaper printed in the county of Dickens you give due notice to all persons interested in the Account for Final Settlement of said Estate and partition thereof, to appear and contest the same if they see proper so to do, on Monday the 14th day of July, A. D. 1941, at the court house of said county, in Dickens, Texas, when said Account and Application will be acted upon by said court.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, at my office in the city of Dickens, Texas, this 18th day of June, A. D. 1941.

(SEAL)
E. H. Ousley,
Clerk, County Court, Dickens County.

By Ouida D. Harkey, Deputy.
I hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Original Writ now in my hands.

D. F. Christopher,
Sheriff Dickens County.
By Dean Glazner, Deputy.
19-41

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Thompson returned Friday from a vacation of 3 or 4 weeks spent at Vian, Oklahoma, where they visited his mother, Mrs. Wm. Thompson and at Hot Springs Arkansas.

Nutrition Experts Planning Better Health Move

"Health plus" for every citizen is one objective of the Texas state nutrition committee, members agreed at their meeting in Fort Worth last week. The committee also pledged its services in helping wipe out all Texas deaths due to malnutrition.

Upon returning to Texas from the national nutrition conference for defense at Washington, Mildred Horton, extension service vice-director and chairman of the committee called the meeting. Reports of the Washington conference were also given by Dr. Ercel Eppright, head of the home economics faculty at the Texas State College for Women, Denton; Ruth Huey, director of vocational home-making, State Department of Education, Austin; and Jennie Camp, specialist in home production planning, College Station.

The Texas delegates quoted nutrition experts as saying that adequate and satisfying diets may eventually increase man's span of efficient living by a decade. Reports also brought out that of the first million men examined for military service, 380,000 have been rejected because of disabilities. Approximately one-third of these were attributed directly or indirectly to malnutrition.

Through democratic planning nutrition workers hope to help translate America's abundance of food into an every-day reality for every American family.

The committee expressed concern over rising food prices and to meet increasing costs, will soon release information on safe and satisfying diets which can be prepared for as little as 10 and 20 cents per person per day.

Notice of Election

Notice of Election for the Establishment and Maintenance of a Band by the City of Spur, Texas.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That an election will be held on Tuesday, the 15th day of July, 1941 at the regular polling places within the City of Spur, Texas, at which election the following proposition shall be submitted to the qualified property tax paying voters of said City of Spur, Texas: SHALL THE CITY OF SPUR, TEXAS ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN A BAND.

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

The polling place shall be in the Director's Room of the Spur Security Bank, Spur, Texas.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE 29th day of May 1941.

M. H. BRANNEN,
Mayor of the City of Spur, Texas.

ATTEST:
TRUMAN J. GREEN,
Clerk of the City of Spur, Texas.
12-19-26 July 3.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Bennett, of Elton, were shopping and marketing farm products in Spur Saturday.

4-H Girls Kept Busy



One of the many things which keep 4-H Club girls busy in 16 counties of A. & M. College Extension Service, District 2, is landscape gardening. Here Margaret Penning, 14, 4-H Club yard improvement demonstrator of the Amherst Club, Lamb County, is shown cultivating the 41 foundation shrubs she planted around her home with no cash outlay. All plants were rooted from cuttings.



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Behind The Scenes In American Business

By JOHN CRADDOCK

BALLAST—Prices, one of the famous "three P's" of the defense drive, (others being production and priorities), are getting concentrated attention now as office and price administration and civilian supply works to prevent threatening ballooning on several fronts. Notable was Price Administrator Leon Henckes "to a idin resisting inflation." At the same time, Standard to withdraw announced price inderson's request to five auto makers Oil of Ohio postponed indefinitely, at OPACS' request, a scheduled half cent advance in gasoline price. And Washington expected legislation giving OPACS additional power to punish violators of its orders would be introduced soon. Meanwhile, on the general cost-of-living scene, surveys in 33 large cities by the bureau of labor statistics show a steady advance. The overall index was 3.1 per cent higher at the end of May than a year ago. This index is based on the price of 198 goods and services bought by wage-earners and lower-salaried clerical workers.

ARMY COMFORT—Uncle Sam's new army probably will rate as the safest and most comfortable military organization in history, a check of recent equipment orders shows. Not that the boys in training are being coddled. But a humanized War department, mindful of World War experience, is seeing to it that the comfort motif embraces even kitchen police duty. Spuds are being peeled by a streamlined machine. Even the blue K. P. dungarees are gone; replaced by outfits of natty white twill. The old broad-toed blucher shoes that turned army marches into "bunion derbies" has been redesigned in line with the avowed preference of 85 per cent of American males for rubber heels. Statistics from B. F. Goodrich show army and navy orders for 7,000,000 pairs cushioned with rubber "shock absorbers." The comfort motif also brings greater individual protection in many cases. A new model helmet that replaces the "inverted wash basin" of 1917, not only sits easier on the head but covers more of neck and jaws. Summer weight uniforms and even shorts are innovations for American soldiers, and new jackets have such popular civilian features as the "belloves" or "action" back. There's even less saluting. It's now saved mostly for formal occasions.

BITS O' BUSINESS—Fears of transportation difficulties, plus the oil rationing threat, have boosted buying of hard coal, and given extraordinary potency to the annual sales argument to "buy winter coal now"—for one 10 cent price advance is already in effect, others may come along monthly. Similarly, in the east the threat of oil rationing is making coal burning householders less eager to switch to oil heat—sales of coal automatic stokers for home furnaces were up 33 per cent in April over a year ago. Nation's department store sales showed a little from usual advancement rate, showing 7 per cent gain over 1940 for week ending June 7. Extra pay, but without vacation, is being increasingly accepted as partial solution of defense labor shortage problem. Treasury Secretary Morgenthau has enlisted three outside tax experts to study federal state, municipal tax relations in the interest of eliminating tax duplications; says he "wouldn't know a better time than the present" to work on clearing up this personal headache.

AIR EDUCATION—Army and

navy experts have for some time sought ways and means of getting something concrete done about aviation education for American boys between 10 and 18 years of age. Their object: to reduce the "serious" shortage faced by the air corps in U. S. pilots. A privately sponsored organization, Air Youths of America, jumped into the breach recently with the backing of such men as Cornelius V. Whitney, chairman of the board of Pan American Airways, and Winthrop Rockefeller. Boys and young men began flocking to the group's "model plane meetings" and success seems assured. Now, according to Whitney, the air youth program is about to be spread to Latin America, where youngsters of the other American republics will be provided with basic instruction in aviation. The program will get under way within the next few months.

The Persian Shah

Herman L. Collins

A thousand years ago—or maybe more,
In the palace of a ruler;
The Oriental sun had sadly set,
Things were cool and getting cooler.
Above the moat upon a parapet
A joyous dodo bird was set.
And what he saw this dodo can't forget,
So there the dodo still is set.

Within the walls there rose the surge of jazz
As the minirels gay were playing,
The Persian nobles stomped the razzma-tazz
With the Persian kittens swaying.
While high overhead, green, yellow and red,
Hung by grace of the Persian law;
The moon shone full on a glamorous head
His majesty, the Persian Shah.

At the monarch's side in beautiful pride,
Lo—his damsel rare was sitting,
Round about the sheen of her golden hair
Were fireflies moodily flitting.
The Shah caressed her with a regal eye
And then he forthwith plucked a rose.
Above the glare of horns he hove a sigh,
Wherein were all the planet's woes.

"Love," said he, "my wives don't understand me,
They cannot see my aching soul.
My tender spirit that would fain be free
And so pursue a higher goal.
Learest, shalt thou make complete the life of
My majesty, the Persian Shah?
The maiden never flitting answered
This word only—"Bah."

"My sweet," said he, "I plainly see
thy live for me
Is scorching like the sun
Ah me, what joy for thee that lucky thee
Shalt be my wife five hundred one.
At my command from every land my sons shall stand
And say, "there goes our maw."
But in accent deep, though hal asleep
the maiden
Spake this word only—"Naw."

"My dove" quote he, "wouldst be
dunked in boiling oil
Or strangled with a bowstring?
Mayhap, you'd be buried living
'neath the soil
Or off these ramparts fling?
And now wilt be the loving wife of
My majesty, the Persian Shah?
The maiden thought of this in reputed bliss
Then tenderly she whispered
"Yah."

PROMINENT TEXANS FEATURED IN ARTICLES



Jesse Jones



Jack Garner



Sam Rayburn

State Gains Nationwide Publicity Through Personality Sketches by Top-flight Authors

The Lone Star state has been "discovered" by the writers of America and has become an all-star attraction for the reading public of the rest of the United States.

The eyes of the nation have been focused upon Texas, upon prominent Texans and upon Texas towns and institutions to a greater extent within the last 18 months than for many years. The result has been millions of dollars worth of favorable publicity for the state.

The vanguard of this nationwide Texas publicity has been personality articles, through which the life stories of four prominent Texans have been told, with pictures, through the pages of The Saturday Evening Post. In addition, the Post, with more than 3,200,000 circulation each week has acquainted America with other highlights of Texas through sports articles, fiction stories and writings by Texas authors.

In the first two months of this year the Post gave prominence to the personality stories of two Texans, C. R. Smith, one of Texas' best known airmen and president of American Airlines and Speaker Sam Rayburn; a mystery story which concludes on March 8 by George Sessions Perry; a Texan and a fiction serial by Allen R. Bosworth, another Texan.

The article on Smith, who started life on the wrong side of the tracks and has become one of the nation's leading aviation executives was



"Dutch" Meyer



C. R. Smith

written by Jack Alexander, a recognized expert on writing profiles and whose work is featured regularly in the Post. Sam Rayburn was presented to America through the pens of Joseph Alsop and Robert Kintner, noted Washington correspondents.

It took two articles in the Post to cover the life and activities of Jesse Jones, and in addition the Post based an editorial upon the material which writer Samuel Lubell put together from a considerable amount of research.

Previously Jack Garner's personality had been featured in the pages of the Post and his affection for Texas became as widely known as his other characteristics.

Amon Carter is another Texan who has "made" the Post. His name and his accomplishments pop up in Post pages frequently, having been mentioned in connection with the articles on Garner and Smith and in another article with Texas background having to do with Silliman Evans, former Texas newspaperman.

In addition to these personality articles the fame of Texas has been spread in the stories about Billy Rose and an article on the T. C. U. football team and Coach Meyer as well as in fiction stories and the writings by a number of Texas authors who have reached the top with their work in America's top flight magazine.

The royal band struck up "The Saint Louis Blues"
Some nut hauled out a bazooka.
The nobles howled with joy at the sudden news,
"Hurrah for the big palooka."
Now, this is the yarn that dizzy dodo spun,
His bleary eyes all full of ire.
Me—I'm as just as gullible as anyone,
But, I think that durned bird's a liar.

Buck Private: "Ugh, That Sergeant sure is an ugly-looking brute,"
Corporal: "If you think he's ugly now, wait until you see him with his gas mask off."

"I don't dare tell my wife lies.
She's a merium you know."
"Neither do I. Mine's a heavy-weight."

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Farm Labor Shortage Expected

A shortage of farm labor in Texas may be experienced in the summer and fall months.

Summerizing the prospects, however, T. R. Timm extension economist in farm-management, says the probable shortage will be more in the form of the wage farm operators will be able, or required, to pay them a physical shortage. Reports from over the state, he says, indicate that during peak seasons at least, many farmers will have to pay higher wages than in corresponding periods of 1940 in order to obtain all of the labor needed. Moreover, the proper distribution or routing of migratory labor may be more difficult than in recent years.

The latter condition is forecast by the delayed season, which was due to excessive rain. This caused farmers in south, central and north Texas to plant their cotton about the same time. As a result picking seasons between regions will be close together.

Cotton itself presents a peculiar problem, Timm says. Mechanization of cotton farms has been increasing rapidly for several years. As a consequence more and more farmers are increasing the amount of hand labor employed during the seasonal peak and decreasing the number of regular workers on farms. The progress of mechanization, therefore, appears to depend to some extent upon the presence of an available supply of seasonal laborers. On the other hand, such a supply is created, in part at least, by mechanization.

Conscription of men into the army most likely will further reduce the labor ranks. Nevertheless, it seems that most of the increase in labor charge is and will continue to be a result of alternative possibilities that laborers have in jobs relating to or induced by the defense program.

Timm suggests that farmers keep in touch with their county agricultural agents, who are closely with the farm replacement service of the Texas employment service, migratory labor camps of the farm security administration, WPA offices, and office of the agricultural statisticians, Agricultural marketing service, in trying to assist farmers in solving their acute problem.

Prices of lower grade beef may not be as low as they seem when allowance is made for greater losses due to bone and the shrinkage in cooking.

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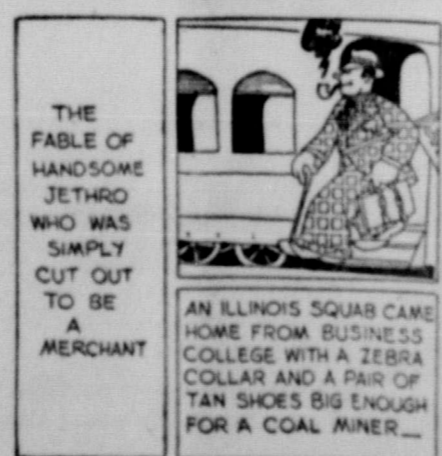


Jimmie Isn't Going To Lose His Share

By Gene Byrnes

FABLES IN SLANG

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That Nagging Backache

May Warn of Disordered Kidney Action

Modern life with its hurry and worry, irregular habits, improper eating and drinking—its risk of exposure and infection—throws heavy strain on the work of the kidneys. They are apt to become over-taxed and fail to filter excess acid and other impurities from the life-giving blood.

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WELCOME VISITORS

Spur's 3rd Annual Round-Up



June 20-21

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DICKENS COUNTY'S 50th ANNIVERSARY

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WPA Workers Are Now Available for Private Work

Wednesday, June 18, WPA District Manager J. O. Jones today reiterated his reminder to farmers and other private employers that all WPA workers are listed with the Texas State Employment Service and are available for private employment.

WPA workers will be released from projects wherever needed to make farm help available Mr. Jones declared. "Prospective employers should consult local representatives of the Texas State Employment Service," he explained, "as this is the duly-constituted agency for referring WPA workers and other persons seeking private jobs to employers."

Rolls of the WPA are constantly open to private employers and no worker who refuses a bona fide offer of employment will be retained by WPA. This regulation is based on the following section of the WPA appropriation act.

"No person in need who refuses a bona fide offer of private or other public employment under reasonable working conditions which pays the prevailing wage for such work in the community where he resides and who is capable of performing such work shall be employed or retained in employment on work projects under the funds appropriated in this joint resolution for the period such private or other public employment would be available."

Currently employed on WPA projects in this district are 1819 men and women and an additional 751 persons are certified as eligible for WPA employment and are awaiting assignment whenever jobs are available. All of these persons are registered with the Texas State Employment Service and are immediately available to private employers, the district manager stated.

Aircraft Warning Service Calling For Men

Detailed organization for the enrollment of volunteers in the aircraft warning service inaugurated by the United States army was being developed here today by members of the governor's national defense staff with the cooperation of the offices of secretary of state, the attorney general and the Texas State Employment Service.

Word was awaited from United States air corps officers who will serve as interceptor commanders for this area as to the number of observation posts to be established.

REA Lines are Extended

Necessary funds for completing its system of rural power lines have been allotted by the rural electrification administration to the Panola Harrison rural electric cooperative in Elysian Fields. The new lines will soon make power available to farms of Panola and Harrison counties in Texas and Caddo and De Soto parishes in Louisiana.

The co-op's 312 miles of line will serve 915 members. REA officials say that this addition to rural electric service in Texas will soon bring to more than 93,200 the total farm families served by the 66 REA financed systems now operating in the state.

Miss Margaret and Dorothy Elliott aunt and niece respectfully and Mrs. Billy Elliott of Spring Creek, were shopping in Spur Tuesday.

Organize Local Cotton Stamp Committee

Formation of a cotton stamp committee for Dickens county to cooperate with the U. S. department of agriculture in the operation of the supplementary cotton stamp program in this area in the relatively near future, was announced today by Mack Woodrum, county agent.

Mr. Morris Golding was elected chairman of the committee. Other members, representative of the cotton trades industry of Dickens county include George Gabriel and Byron Haney.

Mr. Golding stated that the main purpose of organizing the committee was to assist the government in helping to acquaint all retailers and wholesalers of cotton goods in the county with the manner in which they could cooperate and participate in the benefits of the plan.

He added that a meeting for all merchants handling cotton goods would be held in the Directors' Room of the Bank in Spur Thursday, June 26 at 2 p. m. In stressing the importance of attending this meeting, Mr. Golding pointed out that merchants cannot except cotton stamps for redemption by the government until they have completed a "Retailer's Statement" form entitling them to participate. These forms may be obtained from the local county agent. The rules and regulations governing the plan's operation will be fully explained at the meeting.

"I feel sure," said Mr. Golding, "that every retailer of American grown and manufactured products in Dickens county will want to cooperate wholeheartedly with the government's efforts to aid our cotton farmers and the cotton industry as a whole. It's certainly to their advantage to do so, and any who did not would be placed at distinct competitive disadvantage."

Ex-Bell County Residents Picnic

The second annual picnic of the Ex-Bell County Residents who now reside in West Texas will be held at the Presbyterian camp ground at Buffalo Gap on Sunday July 6.

This association was organized in 1940 and has for its purpose the coming together once a year of all that were former residents of Bell county. There are no dues for membership and the only requirements are that you formerly lived in Bell county and now live in West Texas.

At the first meeting of this association there was over 700 Ex-Bell county residents present and it is expected that in the meeting on July 6 there will be present at least three or four thousand. The meeting will convene at 10 o'clock a. m. with a basket picnic lunch spread at noon and the day's program will be entirely informal, associating with former friends and acquaintances.

It will be worth your while to come and spend the day and meet old friends and neighbors that you have not seen for 30 or 40 years. Regardless of what portion of West Texas you live in you are requested to bring your basket lunch and be present and become a member of this association.

On Tuesday mail we received a card from Mrs. R. C. Forbis who is with her daughter, Mrs. Dallas Waters, the former Virginia Forbis and Mr. Waters of Compton, California.

"I'm sick for home news so wish you'd send The Texas Spur to me at address."

"Nell (Mrs. Davis) is well and is enjoying her visit writes Mrs. Forbis.

Ride 'em Cowboy



Here's a sample of the many thrills you receive in attending Spur's Third Annual Rodeo. Many of the best non-professional rodeo performers in the West will be here for these two

big days, June 20-21, roping, wrestling, and tying some of the best rodeo stock to be found.

You are assured of plenty of excitement and entertainment. Come early and enjoy the entire show.

Full Payments to Old Assistants Will be Made

Provided Federal funds are obtained for matching the state funds, nounced by the state department of the \$9.00 cut of June checks, as an Public Welfare, will be avoided. The legislature took final action Thursday, June 12, to provide additional law was signed by the governor on the day it was passed.

If federal funds are obtained to match the additional state money made available, checks for June averaging \$18.50 per person will be sent to 139,307 recipients. The average of \$18.50 is the highest since the program was started in 1936.

Officials of the state department of public welfare were hastily obtaining certified copies of the amended law and other necessary documents Friday as part of the procedure for obtaining federal money. J. S. Murchison, executive director of the state department explained that "we have been in contact with the officials of the Social Security Board and they are helping in every way possible to speed up our request for funds. The regional office at San Antonio is today reviewing the material submitted, and we expect it to be in Washington Monday morning. However, it takes time to get final approval on such matters and for the United States Treasury to get a check back to Texas. The check to the old-age recipients will have to be held up until we can get the money, but when the checks are released, they will be for full amounts if we get the federal matching we are asking for."

Ordinarily, old-age assistance checks are mailed about the 15th of each month. The June checks will have to be held until additional federal money is received. The State Department officials expressed the opinion that checks for June would be at least a week late, and that checks will not be delayed any longer, than is necessary to receive the additional federal funds.

Dennis Rasbury Joins Army

The Texas Spur this week received a card from Dennis A. Rasbury in Ft. Leonard Wood, Missouri, stating that he had arrived at that place and had been assigned to Company B, 30th Battalion of the U. S. Army.

Haroldwood (Pee Wee) Harris, of Los Angeles, California, and a former cow puncher with the Swenson outfit, arrived Wednesday night of last week to visit friends and incidentally to take in the Spur Round-Up Rodeo Friday and Saturday of this week.

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WANTED—Movie operators and managers—Spur District Movie Circuit Work 1416 Gulf States Bldg. Dallas, Texas. 12-21 pd.

FOR RENT—Furnished apartment 2 rooms and bath, John A. Moore Jr. 34-14c

AAA Launches Soil Improvement Campaign

In an all-out effort to increase the use of soil-building materials on Texas farms, the state office of the agricultural adjustment administration is urging farmers to take full advantage of the opportunities available under the conservation materials and services programs.

Already, orders have gone in from 17 counties for 2,500,000 pounds of triple superphosphate, 230,000 lbs. of Austrian winterpeas, and 30,000 lbs. of hairy vetch. B. F. Vance, state administrative officer in charge, has announced.

Because of national defense demands on transportation facilities, farmers who plan to obtain materials under the program should file their applications with their county committees immediately, Vance said. Orders coming from the county offices will be forwarded to the United States department of agriculture in Washington.

The big order already placed for this year is a decided increase over last year's participation when only 3 counties, Galveston, Houston and Nacogdoches, ordered 455,900 pounds of triple superphosphate and 60,000 pounds of Austrian winterpeas.

The conservation materials program is the plan whereby a producer can obtain superphosphate and winter legume seed when he needs them and the cost of this material is deducted from his conservation payment. Both applications of superphosphate and planting winter legumes earn soil building payments under the AAA program.

Fred Kinney Returns From Stamford Hospital

Fred Kinney was able to return to his home here last week after having spent the past forty days in a hospital in Stamford receiving treatment for the correction of a back injury. Although the entire trunk of his body, from the arm pits down, is in a plaster cast which he will wear three or four months, Fred is able to be up and walk around.

Mr. and Mrs. Hunt Perry, of Stephenville arrived in Spur Tuesday evening to visit his twin brother Mr. and Mrs. Hill Perry and incidentally see the Spur Round-Up rodeo performances here Friday and Saturday.

All-Kid Rodeo Near Sweetwater July 3 and 4

The Double Heart Ranch, 10 miles south of Sweetwater, is featuring a unique event, an All-Kid Rodeo, in their July 4th celebration held at the ranch July 3 and 4.

Ollie Cox, manager of the Double Heart, states that all of the usual events of any rodeo will be performed by "Kids" eighteen years and younger, and that prizes will be awarded in all events. Prizes include three \$100.00 saddles, three pairs \$30 boots and three Stetson hats.

Any girl or boy 18 years old or younger is eligible to participate in the Double Heart's first annual All-Kid Rodeo.

Mr. Cox adds that a big Chuck Wagon Dinner will be served on the rodeo grounds and dances will be held each night.

Performances will be held twice daily, at 2:00 p. m. and 8:00 p. m., July 3 and 4.

Remember the time and place—July 3 and 4 at the Double Heart Ranch, "Playground of the World," 10 miles south of Sweetwater on highway 70.

J. A. Sullivan, Pioneer Cowboy Passes Away

Funeral services were held from the Flomot Methodist Church Tuesday, June 10, for J. A. Sullivan, 58 of Sheridan, Wyoming, a west Texas pioneer cowboy.

Death resulted from a fall and exposure for 36 hours before he was found. He suffered a broken neck, but lived until after being removed to a hospital 40 miles away. Early day cowboy on the Matador and other ranches in this section of West Texas in fact his life here at the time of his injury he was an employee on a ranch near Long Grass, Wyoming.

Surviving are two children of his first marriage, Mrs. Tom Bynum of Flomot and Mat Sullivan of Vermo Park, New Mexico.

Four children of a second marriage are Mrs. F. C. Sears, James Henry, Albert and Moline. One sister, Mrs. Etta Tittoison, of Abilene.

With the exception of the past year Mr. Sullivan spent his life on the ranches of West Texas and has many friends among the ranching interest throughout the West.

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