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## O. L. KELLEY ANNOUNCES FOR RE-ELECTION FOR CO. SCHOOL SUPT. TO OPEN 1942 POLITICAL CAMPAIGN

The 1942 political campaign gets under way this week with the announcement of Oscar L. Kelley for reelection to a second term as County School Superintendent.

Following is Mr. Kelley's announcement:

### To the People of Dickens County:

In announcing as a candidate for re-election to a second term as County Superintendent of Dickens County Schools, may I express to you my sincere appreciation for your splendid cooperation during this my first term as your superintendent. Especially do I appreciate the work and cooperation of all the trustees of the local districts and the members of the County Board of Education. It has been a pleasure for me to be associated with patrons and students in furthering the educational advantages of your schools. Through the cooperation with trustees of the various school districts it has been possible to place every school on a cash basis and pay all bills without raising the school tax rate. Every school in the country had a nine months term last year and as far as I know that is the first time all schools have been able to have a full term. All the schools in the county except two have a hot lunch program. My office is happy to render any service that may be possible and any time I can serve you it is a pleasure. I shall appreciate your vote and influence when you go to the polls to vote.

Sincerely submitted  
O. L. KELLEY

## Smith And Adams To Install Tire Retreading Machine Soon

Frank Adams and P. A. Smith, local tire repairmen, are endeavoring to do all they can to relieve the tire shortage in Dickens and surrounding counties. Although nothing can be done about new tires other than to comply with the control regulations, Smith and Adams announce that they will be more than glad to help everyone get the fullest benefit out of their present tires.

Many tires, which formerly were thrown away, can be repaired and used. Messrs. Smith and Adams are now trying to secure a re-treading machine, which is becoming an essential item in every community.

## CONRAD BLACK AND BUSTER CHERRY RETURN TO SERVICE

Conrad K. (Blackie) Black who received his discharge from the Army about three days before the attack on Pearl Harbor, has been recalled to service and reported to the recruiting station at Lubbock Tuesday, December 6th for further orders.

Buster Cherry, who also received his discharge only a short time before the Japanese treacherous attack on Pearl Harbor, and the U. S. Declaration of war, also received notice to report to the nearest Armp Post or recruiting station by Friday, Jan. 9th.

Both, Blackie and Buster had received honorable discharges after serving their selective service training, and were placed on reserve, subject to call at any time.

Good Luck boys, and—Remember Pearl Harbor.

## ATTEND AGRICULTURAL MEET

R. E. Dickson will leave for Waco Thursday morning to attend the Texas Agricultural Workers meeting. He will be accompanied by W. L. Stangle, head of the department of Animal Husbandry, and Dr. C. L. Young, head of the department of Agronomy, both of Texas Technological College, Lubbock.

"Farming For Defense" will be the theme of the two days meeting at Waco.

Miss Julia Mae Albin, who has spent the past ten days here with her mother, Mrs. H. O. Albin, and brothers will leave Thursday to return to Washington, D. C. by way of Oklahoma City where she will visit a few days.

## Dickens County Tire Rationing Com. Is Announced

The Dickens County Defense Coordinators this week appointed the tire rationing committee for the county; they are Lawis E. Lee, Spur Charley McLaughlin, McAdoo, and Byron Haney, Afton.

This committee will be in session to receive applications for tire and tube purchases.

The January quota of tires and tubes for Dickens, set by the U. S. Office of Price Administration, is: 15 tires and 13 tubes for passenger cars, motorcycles, and light trucks; 38 tires and 31 tubes for trucks and busses.

The local tire rationing board must adhere to the new tire purchase regulations which became effective January 5. The Office of Price Administration in Washington has formed a staff to give special interpretations to the boards on questionable points in the regulations.

The unit was set up simultaneously with the announcement of the national January quotas for tires and tubes. The totals for the 48 states, District of Columbia, Alaska, Puerto Rico, and Hawaii are: Passenger cars, motorcycle and light trucks, 114,191 tires and 95,580 tubes and trucks and busses, 242,783 tires and 202,966 tubes.

Just how many tires can be made available for later months will depend in part on developments in military requirements, the OPA said.

"There is no need for people to get panicky," said OPA Administrator Henderson. "The fact that a rationing plan is going into effect doesn't mean that everyone is going to get a flat tire one minute later. All of us should begin at once to conserve in the use of tires by stopping unnecessary driving, by carrying our neighbors, by driving slowly to minimize tire wear, and by following the rules of good tire care."

In issuing tire purchase certificates, local rationing boards are limited to 25 per cent of their monthly quota during the first seven days of the month and to an additional 25 per cent each in the next seven-day periods. No local board can issue purchase certificates for more tires than are covered by its monthly quota. The quotas are valid only for the month of which set, and unused portions of any quota do not carry over.

To secure a new tire or tube under the quotas, an eligible purchaser must fill out an application which must be certified to by an inspector as to the condition of the tire or tube being replaced. The application then must be taken to the local board which can issue a certificate for purchase if the purchaser can show that he is eligible. The application must be taken to a tire dealer where the tire or tube may be purchased.

The eligibility list has been supplied by the OPA and it in general covers vehicles whose continuous operation is required to maintain the public and health and safety, buses with a capacity of 10 or more passengers, and necessary truck operations.

## REV. P. J. BURNS NEW PASTOR OF FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Rev. P. J. Burns an family have recently moved to Spur to make their home. Rev. Burns will fill the pulpit at the First Christian Church.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Suitt left Tuesday night for Stephenville to attend the funeral of a sister-in-law, Mrs. Doris Suitt, who died there Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. C. Gollihar, of McAdoo, was shopping and visiting in Spur Tuesday and while here was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office, renewing her subscription to the paper for which she has our thanks.

## CO. RED CROSS CHAPTER RECEIVES February 16 Date For Registration Of Men 18 To 65



Just after the two Spur weeklies had gone to press last week the following telegram was received from Norman H. Davis, National Chairman American Red Cross, Washington, D. C., by John C. Ramsay, general county chairman, which was at once turned over to Jack Christian, war fund chairman:

"The bombing of Pearl Harbor, Honolulu, Manila; the invasion of the Philippines; the submarine attacks in the Atlantic and Pacific; have dramatically brought home to us the cruelties of this war. Where ever our heroic soldiers, sailors and airmen are valiantly defending our soil, there also you will find the flag of the Red Cross unfurled alongside the Stars and Stripes. Red Cross men are on every front. Funds are urgently needed to keep in tact these front lines of mercy.

The enemy respects neither holidays nor week ends; the Red Cross war fund should be pushed to rapid subscription. Partnership in this time of need gives all the people an opportunity to participate. The Red Cross is a people's partnership in a time of need. It is patriotism in action to give to the Red Cross. Miseries of war cannot be measured by quotas and mathematical yardsticks nor personal conveniences. The President, the American people, and our fighting men expect much of us. Although your chapter has reached suggested minimum quota you are urged to continue campaign until everyone has had an opportunity to contribute. An avalanche of giving now will help the Red Cross to deliver the goods.

NORMAN H. DAVIS,  
Chairman

## Official Staff For President Birthday Ball Announced

Concentrating every effort possible to protect the health of the nation during the present war emergency Jack Christian, Spur chairman for Dickens County has, announced committeemen and officers for the President's Birthday celebration, January 30. The official staff as set up by the chairman is composed of vice-chairman, Guy Karr; vice-chairman women's activities, Dorothy Glover; secretary, Dorothy Christian, and treasurer, Spencer Campbell, all of Spur.

Coming with the people of the county to lend every assistance possible to the furtherance of the fund raising program needed because of infantile paralysis striking in almost every community of the state and nation.

With the advent of the United States into the world war the necessity for keeping the health of the nation above par is paramount, according to George Waverley Briggs, vice chairman and director of organization for the State. Mrs. George Pittman, Dallas, vice chairman in charge of women's affairs, is heading a drive to enlist the assistance of the women in every community throughout the state. Money is sorely needed to help in the financing of preventive measures to check the spread of the disease in many localities.

## B. F. Johnson, 84, Pioneer West Texan Died December 30

Funeral services were held last week for B. F. Johnson, 84, a resident of Motley and Dickens counties since 1908. Mr. Johnson died at the home of a son in Roaring Springs, December 30; services were conducted by Rev. H. L. Burnham. Interment was made in Matador Cemetery by the grave of his wife who preceded him in death March 14, 1938.

Mr. Johnson was born in Wise County, Texas, May 7, 1857. He came to Motley County in 1908. For more than forty years he had been a member of, and a deacon in the Baptist Church.

Surviving are three sons, W. H. Johnson and E. E. Johnson, both of Roaring Springs, and H. J. Johnson, of Cimmaron, New Mexico.

## Lowest Temperature Of Winter Registered Here Monday

The temperature reached the yearly low here Monday when the mercury dropped to 6 degrees. Somewhat warmer Tuesday; mercury steadily going down Wednesday: 16 degrees at 6:00 p. m.

Snow covered the ground in the Spur vicinity Sunday and melted rapidly. Although there has been a little snow every day since, it has not again covered the ground.

## February 16 Date For Registration Of Men 18 To 65

The third and by far the largest draft registration ever held in the United States has been set for Monday, February 16. All men 18 to 65 years of age, excepting those between 21 and 36 who have already registered, will register on that date either for war service or for defense service, according to age. Present plans are not to draft men over 44 for active combatant service, but to use them at home for defense and production.

The President, in his address to Congress Tuesday outlined the largest armament and defense program for this year ever before attempted, and for 1943 almost double that of the 1942 program: 60,000 planes this year, 125,000 in 1943; 45,000 tanks this year, 75,000 in 1943; 20,000 anti-aircraft guns this year, 35,000 in 1943; 8,000,000 tons of shipping this year, 10,000,000 tons in 1943. The President stated that this great store of weapons was not only for the United States use, but also for use by all of our allies whom we are fighting with in a common cause. Not only will we supply arms, but American troops will be sent to strategic points throughout the world where we might strike a blow at the enemy or defend our own shores, and carry this war to their own lands. Arms, munitions, and supplies will also be furnished to conquered nation that will revolt against the Axis powers.

"Our own objectives are clear," he said. "The objective of smashing the militarism imprisoned by war lords upon their enslaved people—the objective of liberating the subjugated nations—the objective of establishing and securing freedom of speech, freedom of religion, freedom from want and freedom from fear everywhere in the world.

"We shall not stop short of these objectives. We are determined not only to win the war but also to maintain the security of peace that will follow."

And at another point he ruled out any "return to the kind of world we had after the last World War."

## FARMERS MUST PRODUCE FOR DEFENSE

To we farmers has been assigned the responsibility of producing food not only for our own needs but great quantities for our allies. Possibly many of us do not realize the food value in the remnants of cotton left in our cotton fields. Here are a few interesting figures taken from authentic reports.

A ton of cottonseed, when processed, will produce on an average 915 pounds of cottonseed meal, 579 pounds of cottonseed hulls, 299 pounds of cottonseed oil and 69 pounds of lint-ers.

There are approximately 800 pounds of seed with each bale of cotton and the oil in these seed have the productive energy value of 119 pounds of butter or 15 gallons of lard for human consumption, and the meal and hulls produced from the 800 pounds of seed have a value as livestock feed equivalent to that of 8 bushels of corn.

With the prevailing prices of cotton and cottonseed, it is profitable for us to scrap our cotton fields much closer than we usually do; it is certainly our patriotic duty.

R. E. DICKSON

## B. & S. Iron And Metal Co. To Buy Scrap Metal And Junk In Spur

In this issue of the Texas Spur is an ad announcing that the S. & B. Iron and Metal Company, located on the railroad tracks southeast of the West Gin will buy all kinds and weights in scrap iron and other metals, rags, bones, and old tires and tubes.

For full particulars and prices see the S. & B. boys at the tracks or West Gin scales. Read their ad on back page.

## 23 YEARS AGO

Taken from the files of The Texas Spur, published 23 years ago this week. Oran McClure, Editor and publisher.

Mace Hunter, who recently moved from home east of Spur to his farm and ranch near Meadow, was in town Saturday greeting friends and looking after business interests here. He says when he left home the snow and ice was six to eight inches deep on the ground on the plains.

W. L. Thannish, of the Draper section of country, was among the business visitors to Spur Monday.

Dec. 4, 1917, L. H. Edwards, of Croton country, and Miss Benson, of Dickens were married and have now established their home in the Croton country.

Mack Brown returned last week to Spur from England where he has been stationed some time in training for a battle with the Huns.

H. P. Cole, of near Dickens, was a business visitor in Spur Monday.

Joe Ericson, of the West Pasture, was in town Friday attending to business matters.

A boy was born last week to Mr. and Mrs. Levi Ponder at their home in the city.

Mrs. Addington, of the Red Cross sewing rooms in Spur, requests us to state that all women that have Red Cross sewing at their homes to please finish the work and return it to the room before the first day of February.

Colonel Theodore Roosevelt died January 6th at his home at Oyster Bay.

He died in his sleep and without pain it is said.

With the passing of Theodore Roosevelt ends the career of one of our greatest Americans. He was known throughout the world and admired by many.

A big fine bouncing boy was born Thursday of last week to Mr. and Mrs. John Hazlewood at the home of Bob Davis north of Spur. Since that time John has been very dignified. We join his friends in extending congratulations.

A London dispatch states that the world's war dead, so far reported officially are: 5,936,504. The individual national losses thus far are: British, 706,726; French, 1,071,300; Americans 58,478; Russians 1,700,008; Austrians, 800,000 and Germans, 1,600,000. Total German casualties is given at 6,330,000; Austrians, 4,000,000 and Serbia, 320,000.

Mrs. M. L. Pierce has accepted a position with Bryant-Link Company and will continue to make her home here for the present.

S. E. Hale, wife and two of their three children, formerly of the Croton country, where they made a crop last year on the W. C. Benson place, died unattended of influenza last week at Burk Burnett, where Mr. Hale was doing hauling.

Parties there telephoned Mr. Link with reference to the wagon and team of Mr. Hale on which Bryant-Link Co held a mortgage.

Mr. Link told them to sell the wagon and team and use the proceeds to care for the baby left by Mr. and Mrs. Hale.

Jim Sample returned Tuesday to Simmons College, Abilene, after a few days visit with his father, W. W. Sample.

J. C. Weir and family and Jim Walker and family returned last week from Burk Burnett. Messrs Weir and Walker were doing hauling work there but stated they thought it would be more profitable to return here and make a bumper crop this year.

Lee Payne, of Dickens, came over Monday and spent an hour or two in Spur on business.

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**Social Happenings**

**Ruben Draper Is Wed To Miss Churchwell In Dallas**

A marriage of interest to the many friends here is that of Miss Elizabeth Churchwell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Churchwell, of Kemp, Texas and Ruben Draper, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gray Draper of Spur.

The marriage took place December 20th in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Archie McFarland, 4639 Bryan Street, Dallas.

The bride graduated from Kemp High School and TSCW in Denton last January, and since that time has been teaching home making at Strawn.

The groom is a graduate of the Spur High School class of 1933, and attended Texas A. and M.

He was formerly employed by the Henry Alexander & Co. dry goods store in Spur.

The couple are now at home in Denton where Mr. Draper is employed as manager of the Goodrich Auto Stores.

Moselle Baum, student in Texas Tech, Lubbeck, spent the Christmas holidays at McAdoo with her parents Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Baum.

**Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Wooten Are Hosts To Saturday Night Club**

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Wooten were hosts to the Saturday Night Club the evening of January 3rd at their home in McAdoo with a seven o'clock dinner and bridge.

Those attending were Messrs and Mesdames C. H. Elliott, W. T. Andrews, O. C. Thomas, E. D. Engleman, F. W. Jennings and R. R. Wooten.

The prize, a deck of bridge cards, went to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas.

**Mrs. G. B. Wadzeck Is Hostess To Triple Trey Bridge Club**

Mrs. G. B. Wadzeck entertained the Triple Trey Bridge Club Saturday afternoon at her home.

Fruit arrangements were decorations.

A lovely salad plate with cake was served to the following members, Mesdames L. D. Ratliff, Bill Turner, Paul Marion, George Glover, Mack Woodrum and Martin Pope. Guests were Mesdames O. C. Thomas and C. H. Elliott. Mrs. Pope won high score prize.

**STRAIGHT FROM NEW YORK**



**TWO COLORS, TWO FABRICS**  
Many of the new dresses combine two entirely different fabrics and two smartly contrasting colors. The New York creation pictured shows this trend, being all one color in the back, and two-toned in front. The entire skirt, and the back of the bodice and sleeves are of sheer black wool, the front of fuchsia moire.

**RURAL TRENDS**  
ROGER M. KYES

**WATER POWER ON THE FARM**

When most of us think of water power, we think of something that goes a step or two beyond the old-fashioned mill wheel—something that uses the weight of impounded water to turn a wheel and develop usable power. But there is another form of water power that must be present on every farm, and it is much more vital than the kind of water power that can turn wheels and generate electricity.

And that is the power that water has to promote the growth of plants. Without it, we have desert, no matter how fertile the soil may be, or how favorable the climate.

The agricultural engineer has shown us a good many ways to use natural water to the best advantage in farming.

He has developed irrigation projects that have made flourishing garden spots out of deserts, merely by bringing water onto the dry soil.

He has shown us how to do "contour" farming, where natural rainfall is held in the soil instead of being permitted to run off by force of gravity, carrying most of the fertility of the soil with it.

We are learning how to do "trash" farming—retaining the stubble on the surface of the ground, to help hold water in the soil, instead of turning the trash under, which for many generations has been the test of a good plowman.

These new ideas, and many others, such as the proper use of "cover crops," and modern methods of erosion control, are helping farmers to conserve and make best use of their greatest asset—the fertility of the soil which causes plants to grow and produce.

In America, we hardly know what it means to be short of food as a nation. We have had, for generations, nothing more serious than local shortages, due to localized weather conditions, or to economic causes. They could all be corrected by better methods of distribution.

But now, our farmers have a new and greater responsibility—that of feeding the people of the other nations who are our allies in the war. And after the war is over our generosity with food may even have to be extended to some of our enemies, for that will be one of the surest ways to insure world peace.

It is therefore fortunate for America and for the world, that our agriculture has made so much progress toward a more scientific method of operation—a method which conserves more than it uses up.

This column urges every farm operator to study his own farm, to see that his own water supply is being used to best advantage. State departments of agriculture, as well as the federal government, have studied this problem, and have devised procedures which have proved themselves to be effective. The services of these organizations are available to every farmer, and fortunately, most of the things they recommend can be accomplished without too great an expenditure of time, effort or money.

The new thinking, and the new engineering that are available, together with modern machinery that makes it so much easier and quicker to get work done, are going to translate into serious fact that often-repeated statement that "Food will win the war and write the peace."

Mr. and Mrs. Oldah Harrington, of near El Paso, were in Spur the first of this week attending to business matters and visiting relatives and friends.

Mrs. S. H. Nalley, of Soldier Mound, was a very pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office while in town one day last week.

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**Lewis - Rhea Rites Read Dec. 20th**

Miss Fay Lewis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lewis of Lower Red Mud and Charley Rhea, of Camp Wood, of near Del Rio, were married at Spur December 20th at the home of the officiating minister, Rev. H. L. Burnham.

The bride wore a navy sheer alpaca dress with black accessories.

Following a wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Rhea are at home at Silverton, Texas.

**Soldier Mound H. D. Club Met With Mrs. Dick Boykin**

Miss Henreitta Perrin met with the Soldier Mound Home Demonstration Club at the home of Mrs. Dick Boykin New Year's Day. Mrs. Leland Wilson opened the meeting with a lovely prayer in accordance with the the President's request for a day of prayer.

Miss Perrin talked on several interesting subjects including vitamins and their special use to the body, growing of fruit trees, raising spring chickens, but most especially on national defense. She made us more aware of our duty during this crisis.

A fruit juice extractor was the game prize which went to Mrs. H. Condron.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. Cage Thursday, January 15.

Fruit cake topped with whipped cream and coffee were served to Miss Perrin, Mesdames Leland Wilson, Elzie Armstrong, Pete Gannon, John Aston, Dick Boykin, Bill Ballard, John Bachman, H. Condron, and one visitor, Mrs. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Tinker and Mary Rose, of Pawhuska, Oklahoma, returned home Sunday after a weeks visit here, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Reese McNeill.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Chandler spent the past week end in Pampa with his father, H. C. Chandler, who has been quite ill recently. Mr. Chandler left his father improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Duncan of Lubbock spent Christmas in McAdoo with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Formby.

**Former McAdoo Girl Is Wed December 21 In Levelland**

Sunday morning, December 21, 9 o'clock at the Pastor's home in Levelland, Rev. A. A. Brian, Pastor of the First Baptist Church in that city said the words in the single ring ceremony uniting in marriage Mr. Sam M. Brown and Miss Hazel Moore, both of Ropesville.

Mr. Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Brown of Ropesville, grew to manhood in that section, attended the local schools there, and is a prominent farmer of that vicinity.

The bride grew to womanhood in the McAdoo community, attending and graduating from high school at McAdoo and after her graduation, she also attended Texas Technological College and graduated there with the class of 1941. She has been employed in the Ropesville school system as teacher of home economics since her graduation from college.

A friend of the bride, Miss Helen Lytle of Quanah, at present a teacher in the Whitharral school, attended and witnessed the ceremony.

The couple left immediately for a honeymoon trip of several days duration to points of interest in New Mexico, and upon returning will make their home in Ropesville.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Nalley, of Soldier Mound, had as guests during the Christmas holidays George Sim and son of Seymour, Mr. and Mrs. Jo Nalley of Austin, Mrs. Herman Phillips and son of Childress, and Mrs. Raymond Davis and son of Austin.

Mrs. Elsie Smith returned last week from several days visit in south and east Texas and Louisiana. She visited her son, Russell and wife in Alexandria, Louisiana.

Charles Gollihar returned to Tech after spending the holidays with his parents in McAdoo.

Mr. and Mrs. Ty Allen have as guests this week her brother, Jimmy Maddox, of Mary Neil, Texas.

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## Army Blood Typing Program Nears Completion

A gigantic blood-grouping program which will result in the typing of the blood of each of the more than a million men in the Army of the United States is fast nearing completion under the supervision of the Army's Medical Department, Local Recruiting Officer Sgt. Troy H. Gist, Municipal Bldg. Sweetwater, Texas, reported today.

Started a few months ago at the behest of Major General James C. Magee, the Surgeon General, the huge task has employed the efforts of medical officers and enlisted technicians in Army hospitals throughout the United States and its possessions and has been described by at least one doctor as "the largest mass typing in the world, to my knowledge," Sgt. Gist said.

As a result of the work, every enlisted man and officer in the Army will know to which of the four major type groups his blood corresponds and the Medical Department will have a record of the information which will enable it to contact donors for emergency transfusions at a moment's notice.

"For example," Sgt. Gist explained, "a soldier from one of the big camps was injured recently in an automobile accident about sixty miles from his home post. He was taken to a nearby hospital which informed his parents that a transfusion was needed at once. His parents called his post, where the blood-typing program was virtually finished. Less than an hour later an officer with the same type of blood as that of the soldier stepped from an Army plane near the hospital, preparer to act as donor. Behind him, a sergeant and a private sped over the highway in an automobile, ready to give their blood, too."

Sgt. Gist said that the Army's typing program is interesting the medical profession at large as it suggests the value of universal blood-typing—the typing of all persons, perhaps as a part of their birth records.

Its value to the Army is expected to prove incalculable, especially since the transfusion of blood from one person to another has become a therapeutic procedure which, in the words of one physician, is "as common as the use of medicines." Transfused blood is now used in the treatment of some diseases as well

as for emergency replenishment of blood lost by injury.

Sgt. Gist proclaimed the program as another step in the Army Medical Department's increasingly successful efforts to reduce peace and wartime casualties through application of modern methods in its work in the Army. Playing an important part in the huge task were the enlisted specialists of the Medical Department, intensively trained for the work, he said.

At each Army post, medical officers under the direction of post surgeons painstakingly trained teams of eight enlisted men to become specialists in swift, accurate typing of large groups of men. Other enlisted personnel received instruction for the vast amount of "paper work" required to keep the records straight. After the instruction period the teams were so prepared that each of their members could perform any of the several operations required with efficiency and accuracy, from taking the blood samples to determining types. As a result, large groups of men have been typed as swiftly as one per minute.

Sgt. Gist added that the Medical Department trains innumerable technicians for its work—in x-ray, dentistry, laboratory work and many other fields which constantly require new men during the period of Army expansion.

## Students Return To Colleges Following The Holidays

College students returning to their respective schools after having spent the Christmas holidays here with relatives and friends are: Frances Gibson, Winifred Lee, Helen Ruth Lee, Bonnie Campbell, Ruth Cowan, Sammie McGee, Ruby Cowan, Emily Cowan, Margaret Mae Weaver, Fike Godfrey, Charles Senning, Bill Laine Elmer Adams, John Joe Costolow, and Joe Graham—Tech.

Jean Engleman, Martha Nichols, and Regina Lee—TSCW.

Robbie Lou Driggers—WTSTC.

Joyce McCully—McMurry.

Polly Joyner—HSU.

LaVorce Lee—ACC.

Miriam Reed—Baylor.

Mary Lisenby, Maurice Costolow, Sylvan Golding—Texas U.

Bill Gruben—Missouri.

Ted Alexander and Joe Paul Alexander—Kirkville, Mo.

Jack Ramsay—Virginia.

Johnny Nichols—NMMI.

Jack Powell—A. and M.

## Post Golden Glove Tournament Extends Invitations

The athletic department of Post High School is sponsoring a preliminary Golden Gloves Tournament, to be held there Thursday and Friday nights, January 15 and 16, in the high school gymnasium. All bouts will be conducted according to Golden Glove Rules, and Golden Gloves will be given to the winners in each weight of Class A and Class AA.

Coach Howard Price extends an invitation to boys of Dickens and surrounding counties to enter this tournament, and to all fight fans to come and enjoy the bouts. All boys interested in entering the tournament should write Coach Howard Price, Post, Texas.

## Ministers Alliance Met Tuesday

The Ministers' Alliance met in the Pastor's Study of the First Baptist Church at 10 a. m., Tuesday. Several questions of importance were considered.

Mr. Geo. S. Link, Sr., an important member of the Executive Committee of the Dickens County Chapter of the American Red Cross, appeared before the Alliance to urge that all leaders of our churches stress the humanitarian appeal of the Red Cross and that especially the pastors exert every effort to maintain, as they can so well do and as they did during the World War Number One, the spiritual leadership in their respective churches. Since next Sunday is the Sunday particularly named by Norman H. Davis, National Chairman, as Red Cross War Fund Sunday, Mr. Link's appearance was indeed timely. Special letters signed by Norman Davis, Washington, D. C., have been mailed this week by Jack Christian, War Fund Chairman, Dickens County, to each pastor who is a member of the Alliance. Lending their cooperative sympathy for Red Cross is what each pastor is asked. The Alliance voted unanimously to aid in every way possible our Red Cross Chapter.

A member of the Alliance, Rev. C. R. Joyner, stressed the effort at present being made by Senator W. Lee O'Daniel to abolish the production of alcoholic beverages for the duration of the war. A round table discussion ensued. The President of the Alliance, Rev. J. C. Ramsay, was unanimously instructed to draft a telegram expressing the attitude of the Alliance supporting Mr. O'Daniel. As a result the following telegram was sent Senator O'Daniel in Washington:

"Ministers' Alliance unanimously endorse your farseeing measure to abolish production alcoholic beverages for duration of the war. We are confident that at least 80% Dickens County is behind this endorsement. Keeping step with scientific enactments of other belligerent nations and with the great late Morris Shepard is genuine statesmanship."

The new pastors of Assembly of God and the First Christian churches were introduced and warmly welcomed to the Alliance.

The following ministers were present: C. R. Joyner, R. E. Jamison, P. J. Burns, C. H. Browning and John C. Ramsay. Mr. Geo. S. Link was a welcome guest.—Rep.

M. A. Ware, of Roaring Springs, was in Spur Saturday and dropped by the Texas Spur office, handing us the "long green" to shove his paper up another year. M. A. says he wants the Texas Spur Campaign Ford, not because he needs another Ford (we think he has a "T" Model) but he needs New Tires—Well M. A. we wish you luck, and many thanks for your renewal.

We this week received a card from Mrs. Myrtle Mumpus, R. N., of Pampa, Texas, registering a complaint about not receiving her Texas Spur.—Sorry Mrs. Mumpus, we'll try not to let it happen any more, and thanks for the subscription.

Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Bird were recent visitors to her father, Mr. Barrett, of Stephenville.

## Emergency Crop Loans Are Now Available

Loans for the production of 1942 crops are now available to farmers in Dickens County and applications for these loans are now being received at Spur according to D. H. Sandidge Field Supervisor for the Emergency Crop Loan Section of the Farm Credit Administration.

A recent announcement by W. E. Farwell, Regional Manager of the Dallas Emergency Crop Loan Office, which administers these loans, states that the loans are being made available somewhat earlier this season to meet the emergency caused by short crops in certain areas and to permit early preparation of land.

These loans will be made, as in the past, only to farmers whose cash requirements are small and who cannot obtain loans from other sources. As in former years, the money loaned will be limited to the applicant's necessary cash needs in preparing the land, planting and cultivating his 1942 crops. Borrowers are required to give as security a first lien on the crops financed.

Commonly known as "seed loans," these loans have been made in this County for the past ten years and the Emergency Crop Loan Office at Dallas thoroughly appreciates the fine attitude of the farmers here toward their obligations, Mr. Farwell's announcement states.

This Agency is leading full cooperation to the Government's vital Food for Defense Program by financing the planting and production of marketable food crops, including vegetables, peanuts, citrus fruits and melons.

The Dallas agency has also cooperated during the fall in a campaign fostered by the Extension Service to cut cotton stalks early in an effort to control boll weevils. All borrowers have been urged to cooperate in this for their own benefit and the welfare of their communities. According to the statement announcing the opening of the loan program, farmers who apply for a 1942 crop loan will be asked about their progress in cleaning up their fields.

Mr. Sandidge whose headquarters is Spur has supervised these loans for the past ten years. Miss Gillie Slaton is his Office Assistant and she will assist applicants in the preparation of loan papers.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Bond spent the past week here visiting her aunt, Mrs. W. L. Hyatt and Mr. Hyatt.

Mr. and Mrs. "Swat" Jones and son, Jeff, of Morion, spent Monday and Tuesday of this week visiting relatives and friends in Spur.

Price Stell and Bush Reed, of the Paddle Ranch, were transacting business and greeting friends in Spur Wednesday of this week.

## Buck Martin Sends Xmas Greetings To Texas Spur Force

One of the belated though prized packages received by the McClures during the Yuletide season was a Christmas card from Buck Martin, known in the service as Private Albert Martin, Marine Detachment, 8th Division, U.S.S. Mississippi. The card was post marked, U. S. Navy, Dec. 5th, 1941, and received Jan. 3, 1942 at Spur.

Buck had just returned from Iceland where he had been since leaving Pearl Harbor last September. He had planned to spend Christmas at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Martin, but Uncle Sam had other plans for Buck and he, as well as many others in the service, were disappointed in the failure of materialization of their plans for Christmas and the New Year.

## TEXAS COLLEGE LEADS IN DEFENSE

### TEXAS TECH DRAWS FROM ALL UNITED STATES; PREPARES MEN FOR "FLYING CADET" EXAMINATIONS BY MAIL

In our mail is a bulletin from "Texas Tech" at Lubbock, Texas, offering Air Corps preparatory courses by mail. It is a prompt recognition of the need of hundreds of young men throughout the country who can pass the Army physical examination for "Flying Cadet" but must study to meet the educational requirements.

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Third, for the applicant for "Navigator-Bombardier" in the Air Corps, there is a correspondence course in Physics, to prepare for the required Physics in high school.

Lastly, for those boys who have missed a subject or two and so did not graduate from high school, Texas Tech offers other High School Subjects, so that a young man who is ambitious can easily complete his education and get a high school diploma, even when in the Army.

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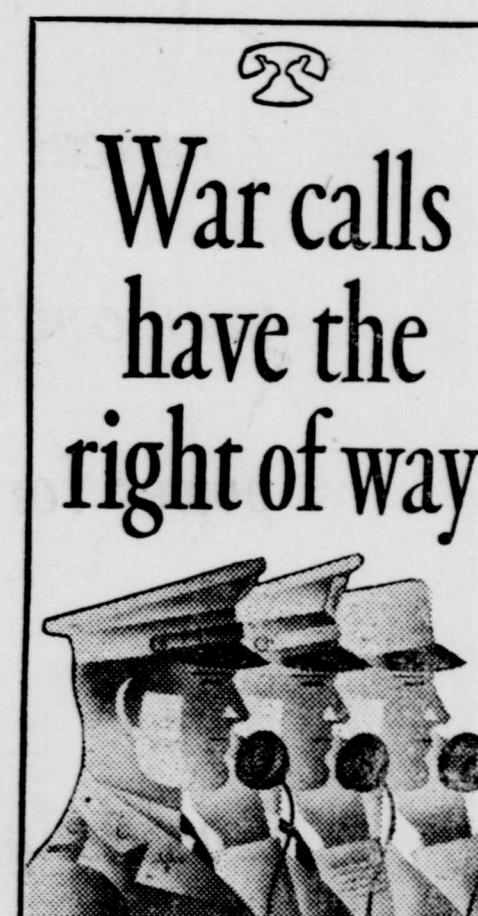
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Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Jones, of Morion, spent the past week in Spur visiting relatives and friends.



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