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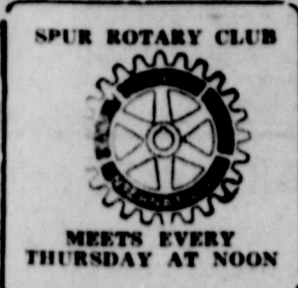
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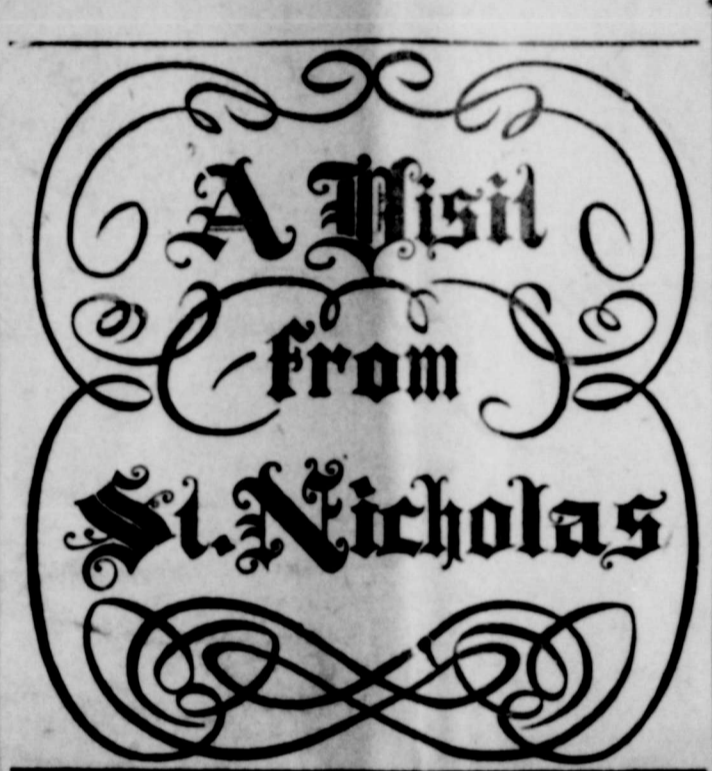
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After next July, veterans will have to take physical examinations before their policies can be reinstated. Many of them may not be insurable, V.A. said.

Robert W. Sisson, West Texas Veterans Administration Regional manager said the extension probably will accelerate the trend of reinstatements which have been mounting in this area all year. Since last February he reported more than 7000 West Texas World War II veterans have reinstated policies worth more than \$5 million dollars. Sisson urged all ex-G. I.'s to take advantage of the liberal terms offered in reinstating their National Service Life Insurance.

Mother of Spur Men Buried At Small Friday, Dec. 13

Mrs. W. D. Hindman, mother of Willie and Luther Hindman, died at the home of a daughter at Edgewood, Texas, Wednesday, December 10 at the age of 92. She was buried in the Small community, Saturday, December 13 at 3:30 o'clock.

Survivors include six children, two step-children, 21 grandchildren and great-great grand children.

Children are: Emmitt Hindman and Ora Stewart, Edgewood, Willie and Luther Hindman of Spur, Press Hindman and Mamie Crockett of Los Angeles, Calif., and Mrs. D. D. Stewart of Snyder.

Funeral services were held at the home of Mrs. W. D. Hindman, 1305 E. 1st, Sunday, December 14, at 2 o'clock.

Those attending from Spur were: Mr. and Mrs. Luther Hindman, Willie Hindman and Mrs. and Mrs. Lloyd Hindman.

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HOLIDAY ACCIDENTS AHEAD BE CAREFUL! AVOID TRAGEDY!

The present weekend marks the beginning of a period when more serious accidents will occur in the United States than during any other two weeks of the year. Before the Christmas-New Year holidays are over, the accidental dead will number in the hundreds and the injured in the thousands.

Traffic accidents will claim most of the victims. Fires and other causes will be responsible for some. Texas, as always, will contribute its quota. So also will the South Plains and Spur, unless they improve their usual holiday record.

Probably none of the accidents will be unavoidable. The carelessness of someone will be responsible in probably every instance. All could be avoided if everyone would exercise proper care.

Unfortunately, everyone will not be careful. Consequently, an added responsibility is imposed upon those who are cautious. It will not be enough for their own safety, that they must be careful themselves. They must presume that the other fellow may be careless, and they must be pre-

Weekly Cotton Market Review

Prices for cotton advanced again during the week and gained about \$1.75 a bale, according to the Department of Agriculture. Farmers were reported to be selling a little less freely. Offerings of the lower grades increased. Mills continued to buy cotton but in less volume than for last week. Cotton production

for 1947 was estimated at 11,694,000 bales of 500 pounds gross weight by the crop reporting board. Ginnings through November totaled 10,936,000 bales. The cotton ginned from this year's crop is higher in grade but shorter in staple than for last year. Picking was retarded by rains and wet fields in most sections of the belt.

Prices for Middling 15-16 Inch Cotton in the ten spot markets averaged 36.94 cents per pound on Thursday, Dec. 11, as compared with 33.79 a week earlier and 32.97 on the corresponding Thursday a year ago. The average price for the week ended Wednesday was 35.85 cents per pound as compared with 35.64 for the previous week. Prices were strong throughout most of the week but declined a little on Thursday. The principal gains were on Monday and Tuesday following the release of the crop forecasts. The "basis" remained firm throughout most of the belt. Prices for textiles continued firm to higher. Increases averaging over 10 per cent in prices for raw cotton and covering all categories were announced by one of the

principal producers of rayon. It was expected in trade circles that others would also soon announce higher prices. Reported sales in the ten spot markets totaled 287,100 bales for the week as compared with 293,500 last week and 230,900 a year ago. Inquiries for cotton continued numerous with the volume of sales about the same as for last week but well above a year ago. Offerings by farmers decreased in the southeast but elsewhere they were selling in moderate volume. There were increased offerings of the lower grades. Mill buying decreased but sales of cotton to mills were still substantial in volume. Most of the mill demand was for forward delivery. The demand for textiles continued strong with few offerings for nearby delivery.

The estimated production of cotton as of Dec. 1 was 11,694,000 bales of 500 pounds gross weight, according to the crop reporting board. This is 189,000 bales above the November forecast. Most of this increase in prospective production is in California and Texas. The indicated production in running bales is 11,388,000. The yield of lint per harvested acre was estimated at 265.4 pounds as compared with 235.3 for 1946 and with 250.6 for the 10-year (1936-45) period. The acreage in cultivation on July 1 was estimated at 21,287,000 acres or about 18 per cent larger than for last year. Abandonment was placed at 1.1 per cent, leaving 12,148,000 acres for harvest.

As Father Time closes the book on 1947, places it on the shelf with its predecessors and gingerly turns the fly leaf of 1948, we pause for a moment to express the hope that the New Year will shower all its blessings on you, that health, happiness and prosperity will be yours in unbounded measure. Drop in and see us any time.

FIGURING on a good Year . . .

It's heartening to see that upward slant for business, but it takes a lot of hard work, cooperation and high principle to keep the figures rising. This community, just like the nation as a whole, can absorb a lot of goods; and in turn is called upon to produce all it can. The business men we know are pledged to chart a good record for '48, and invite your full cooperation so that you can share in the worthwhile results.



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PERSONALS

S. T. Battles was in town this week from his home north of Spur.

G. L. Deisle was a business visitor here this week from his home northwest of Spur.

Mrs. Byron Jenkins who has been ill for the past few days is reported better.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Foreman of the Espuela community were shopping in Spur this week.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Crockett of northwest of Spur were shopping in Spur this week.

Mrs. J. A. Swarngen of Route 2 was a business visitor in Spur Tuesday.

T. A. Loe of near Girard was in town the last of the week attending to business here.

W. R. Williams of Elton was a business visitor here this week.

Miss La Vada Hahn of the Highway community was in town Wednesday attending to business here.

Wade Gilbert, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Gilbert arrived Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays here with his parents. Wade is a student at Tech Technological college at Lubbock.



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Mr. and Mrs. Luther Edwards were shopping in Spur Friday from their home in Dickens.

Joe Watson of the Dickens Highway was a business visitor here Friday.

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Inexpensive Gifts Can Be Made With Christmas Cards

MOST of us have stored away in attic boxes and desk drawers, Christmas cards from last year and the year before that we just couldn't bear to throw away.

These cards can be transformed into charming Christmas gifts with a little ingenuity and a minimum of time on your part.

Lampshades are always welcome—and here's a novel idea for designing a special gift for a special person. If your friend is partial to floral arrangements, New England farm scenes, cats—or whatever, select the cards accordingly. Take a plain parchment shade, brush entire outer surface with clear shellac and let dry partially. Meantime brush the back of the cards with shellac and expose to air for several minutes until shellac reaches a sticky consistency. Apply cards to appropriate spots and press



EVEN THE FIRST . . . Since the first Christmas card was made, they have been saved and utilized for the making of artistic gifts. During and since the war the demand for the cards for those in hospitals has reached a new high. Our wounded have been supplied with thousands of cards which they use in making gifts.

down. Brush entire lampshade surface, including newly applied cards, with the shellac. Let dry. The shellacking process may be repeated any number of times as each application serves to increase the durability of the lampshade. Pierce holes, about an inch apart, around top and bottom edges; lace with ribbons.

Wastebaskets, too, make attractive gifts. The cardboard variety, either oval or square in shape, can be secured in your local 5 and 10 or department store. Cover with plain paper or gift wrapping. Shellac, mount cards. Re-shellac—as with the lampshade.

Another trick! Select three cards of uniform size and theme—either religious, scenic or peasant, etc. Place them in inexpensive cardboard or wooden frames. Take a long strip of heavy satin ribbon with seven-on bow at one end. Attach frames to ribbon in Victorian manner, i. e., one over the other. Then sew a hook on back of bow so ribbon may be hung from the wall.

A useful and colorful gift for the man of the house—especially if he happens to be a pipe smoker—is the large box of kitchen matches artistically "camouflaged" so Mother won't object to its presence in her newly "done over" living room. Cover all surfaces, with the exception of the sanded striking area, with strips of colorful designs taken from Christmas cards. Paste the cutout Christmas card designs on one or both of the large surfaces—shellac, allow to dry, and repeat process.

One of the simplest to make, yet most effective small gifts, is the bookmark. Cut out, in rectangular shape, the Christmas card design of your selection. Then tape a strip of good quality ribbon—either satin or grosgrain—to the back of the card so that the ribbon extends about three or four inches beyond its bottom edge. Scotch tape can be bought at most stationery and gift shops in colors, now, and it lends a more festive air than the usual transparent tape. It's a good idea, too, to give the card a coat or two of shellac so it will resist fingerprints and smudging.

Two blocks of wood, painted in pretty pastels, mounted with Christmas cards and shellacked are just the thing for the guest room bookends. In similar fashion wooden boxes can be "dressed up" with cutout floral Christmas card designs to serve as cigarette containers.

Letters to Santa

Dear Santa Claus:—

I am five years old. I have been good. I cannot have everything. I want, so just bring me a big tricycle and plenty of fruit, nuts, and candy.

Don't forget my little brother Bill, he wants a train.

Love,
Maridell Miller

Dear Santa:—

I have been good. I want a violin and some new books and a football. I am nine years old.

Sincerely,
Floyd Hill

Dear Santa Claus:—

I am a little boy about 6 ft. 2 inches. Please bring me a new red truck and Joely Blonde's daughter.

Signed,
Abe Brendle

Dear Santa:—

I am a very little boy with blonde curls. Please bring me a teddy bear and a set of blocks and some candy and fruit.

Love,
Nelson Rape

A Christmas Prayer

This Day of Joy

As with gladness men of old
Did the guiding star behold;
As with joy they hailed the light,
Leading onward, beaming bright;
So, most gracious Lord, may we
Evermore be led to Thee.



As with joyous steps they sped
To that lovely manger bed,
There to bend the knee before
Him whom heaven and earth adore;
So may we with willing feet
Ever seek thy mercy seat.



As they offered gifts most rare
At that manger rude and bare,
So may we with holy joy,
Pure, and free from sin's alloy,
All our costliest treasures bring,
Christ, to Thee, our heavenly King.
Amen



Rev. B. C. Stonecipher of Afton was a business visitor here Friday. Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Watson and children were in town Friday from their home north of town.



• A New Year looms before us. Our wish for it is that happiness will bless our homes and contentment reign among our families—that friendship will continue to grow in our community from day to day and in its afterglow come the serenity of good will to each and all.

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Another year has rolled around. 1948. As we see it, this is another opportunity to make new friends, and to serve our old ones even better. May we offer you our best wishes for a truly Happy New Year.

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A. BRADLEY EBEN, distinguished young Chicago attorney, is actively aiding bedfast war heroes in his post as executive vice president of the Hospitalized Veterans Foundation.



LAWRENCE F. STERN, president of Chicago's American National Bank & Trust Co., serves without salary as treasurer of the Hospitalized Veterans Foundation.

Mrs. Burnett Haney of Afton was shopping here Friday.

Mrs. Talitha Watson and Hazel were in town Friday from their farm home east of town. Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Morris of Calgary were shopping with Spur merchants Friday.



HAPPY NEW YEAR, EVERYBODY!

We know of no better way to begin the New Year than by extending our thanks to our friends for their generous patronage. We hope that we can be of still greater service to you in 1948, and may the best of everything be yours!

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• Again gay carols ring out with their cheery message of holiday joy.

• In the old, old spirit of Christmas, voices of the carolers echo the message of "... tidings of great joy." Thus, too, do we join the carolers in wishing for you the blessed gifts of Peace on Earth, Joy, Good Will to Men.



EAST VARIETY

Society-Club News

Exchange Club Make Plans For Christmas Party

The Exchange club met Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 10 in the home of Mrs. Floyd Smith with Mrs. Buck Carlisle as hostess. Eleven members were present.

Roll call was answered with Christmas Carols and plans were made for the Christmas party at which husbands of the members will be honor guests. The party will be in the home of Mrs. Walter Carlisle.

The regular miscellaneous shower was presented the hostess, after which delicious refreshments of fruit cake, cheese sandwiches and coffee were served.

Attending were: Mesdames C. O. Fox, Jake Jones, Walter Carlisle, Wray Carlisle, C. V. Allen, Odie Cash, L. R. Barrett, and two new members, Mrs. D. C. McAtter and Mrs. A. G. Dunwoody.

ARRIVE FROM UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS

Pete and Pike Dobbins, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Dobbins, George Walker, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Walker and Miss Jane Brannen, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. M. H. Brannen arrived the latter part of last week to spend the Christmas holidays with home folks. They are all students at University of Texas at Austin.

HERE FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

Pat Hogan drove to San Antonio last week to accompany his sister, Mrs. Sam Clemmons and daughters to Spur to spend the Christmas holidays here in the home of her parents. Mr. and Mrs. Ned Hogan and also to attend the family reunion of the Clemmons family. They arrived last Tuesday.

WATCH NIGHT PROGRAM AT GIRARD BAPTIST CHURCH

7:30 Regular Wednesday night prayer service.
8:30 supper served in Annex.
10:00 songs, stunts, talent parade, Mrs. Howell and Mrs. Darden in charge.
10:30, review of 1947. Bro. M. A. Darden.
10:40, showing of religious films. Mr. Howell in charge.
11:00, songs, Mrs. M. A. Darden in charge.
11:45, consecration service, pastor in charge.
R. L. Porter, Pastor

MRS. J. C. KEEN VISITING IN CORPUS CHRISTI

Mrs. J. C. Keen recently arrived in Corpus Christi, where she is visiting her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Truman Gabbard, enroute to Corpus Christi. Mrs. Keen stopped in Marble Falls for a visit at the ranch home of Mr. and Mrs. Winn. While there she enjoyed a deer hunt and killed a five point buck. In a letter received from her from Corpus Christi, she stated that she was enjoying the warm weather and fishing there.

NOTICE OF FELLOWSHIP MEETING TO BE HELD AT ANTELOPE CHURCH

An all day service and fellowship meeting will be held at the Holiness Church at Antelope on Sunday, Dec. 28.

Dinner will be served at 12:00 o'clock noon. The public is cordially invited to attend.

RETURN TO SPUR TO MAKE HOME

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Haralson have recently returned to Spur to make their home after living in Big Spring for the past few months.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH 616 Burlington Ave.



James S. Haralson
Scheuie for the Week

SUNDAY

Bible Classes, 10 a. m.—Subject: "God's Eternal Rule."
Worship, 11 a. m.—Subject: "The Years That the Locusts Have Eaten."
Evening Sermon, 7 p. m.—Subject: "We Who Are Many, Are One."
Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.—"The Hour of Power."

Farmer-Hyatt Vows Read Recently In Kingman, Ariz.

W. M. O. Farmer of Inyokern, Calif., and Miss Willie Hyatt, daughter of Mrs. W. L. Hyatt, of Spur, were married Nov. 9, at Kingman, Ariz.

Horace Hyatt accompanied his sister to California and was the only member of her family to be present at the wedding.

Mrs. Farmer chose for her wedding ensemble a blue suit with black accessories, and white gloves with gold sequin trim. Her corsage was of miniature golden wedding bells. For something old she wore a turquoise necklace, a gift from her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Farmer spent their honeymoon in Holbrook, Ariz., and returned to Spur to spend the holidays with relatives after which they will make their home in New Mexico.

Mr. Farmer was a Civil Service employee in Inyokern, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Jessie McClain and son, Larry of Abilene spent a few days here the early part of last week visiting his father, C. A. McClain and his sister, Mrs. A. B. Herring and family.

1917 Study Club Feted With Yuletide Dinner And Party

The Yuletide motif was used for decoration for the Christmas party of the 1917 Study club given in the home of Mrs. R. E. Dickson, Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 23. Pine branches were used throughout, softly illuminated with candle light.

The dinner consisted of golden brown baked turkey, dressing, cranberry salad, celery, olives, sweet potatoes, English peas, hot rolls and butter, and snowballs were served to the following: Mesdames M. C. Golding, C. B. Chandler, W. F. Godfrey, Nell Davis, J. H. Bowman, W. E. Andrews, P. H. Miller, L. L. Hill, Tom Johnston, Clark Forbis, J. E. Berry, R. C. Forbis, W. A. Ligon, Miss Jennie Shields and the hostess.

After dinner, Mrs. R. C. Forbis, pioneer club woman and president of the club, opened the meeting. Roll call was answered by Christmas ideas. Miss Jennie Shields read poems and told a Christmas story. Mrs. Dickson discussed most interesting Christmas Customs of all nations. The group sang Christmas Carols, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Dickson. Gifts were distributed from a tree with Mrs. Clark Forbis as Santa.

Dear Santa Claus—
Dec. 20, 1947.
I am a little boy 5 1-2 years old. I have been a good boy this year. I want a punching bag, boxing gloves and a gun. Also some nuts, candy, and fruits.
Thank you very much
Tommy Jack Lawson

R. L. Smith of Saint Jo, Tex., and Derewood Snyder of Roscoe, Tex., left Saturday for Hale Center, Tex. Mr. and Mrs. Snyder have been working in and around Spur for the past week, employees of the Southwestern Bell Telephone company.

NEW BUILDINGS ARE BEING BUILT FOR FAT STOCK SHOW

FORT WORTH — Six large livestock buildings, being built at a cost of over \$1,500,000 on Will Rogers Memorial Coliseum show grounds, will be available for entries in the 1948 Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show here, Jan. 30 through Feb. 2.

The mammoth buildings, eliminating the need of tents, will accommodate in warm, clean, modern quarters over 4,000 cattle, sheep and swine. Enlarged and improved stables immediately adjacent to the coliseum arena entrance will provide permanent shelter for about 600 horses.

Of steel frame and brick construction, the single span buildings include one for sheep and goats, one for swine, one for baby beef and three for cattle. Each building includes innovations and special features particularly adapted to the needs of the animal housed.

The buildings, 100 feet wide by 400 feet long, are spaced 70 feet apart along a 950-foot frontage just south of the Coliseum on the show grounds. Space between them will be used for livestock exercising and parking. Connecting the group will be a covered walkway for visitor's convenience. Along the sides of each building will be a 12-foot canopy extending over a concrete sidewalk.

Special judging arenas, office space and dormitories with showers for club exhibitors and herdsmen will be included in the buildings which are being rushed to completion in time for the show's opening.

Entry deadlines are Dec. 15 for cattle, sheep and swine; Jan. 5 for American Quarter horses and cutting horses; Jan. 10 for gelding and other show horses, and Jan. 15 for Palominos.

Charlie Crausbay, farmer from the Plains west of McAdoo was in town Friday attending to business here.

Personals

Cliff Bird is reported to be confined to his home suffering with the "Flu" this past week.

Jimmie Vernon arrived late Friday night from College Station, where he is attending A. & M. college, to spend the holidays here in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Vernon.

Miss Betty Barnett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Barnett is here to spend the Christmas holidays with home folks. Betty is a graduate student at Abilene Christian college at Abilene.

Frank Vernon arrived the latter part of the week from Lubbock to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Vernon during the holidays. Frank is a student at Texas Technological college.

Billy Overstreet is home for the holidays, with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Overstreet of Dick-

ens. Billy is attending McMurry college at Abilene.

Buddy Frazier of Wichita Falls, representative of U. S. Rubber company was a business visitor here last week end.

Miss Wanda Ogletree left Friday for Bowie, where she will visit during the Christmas holidays.

Miss Nell Francis and Miss Jane Godfrey arrived the early part of the week from El Paso to spend the holiday season here in the home of their parents, Mrs. W. B. Francis, Sr., and Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Godfrey. Miss Francis is an instructor at the College of Mines and Miss Godfrey is a teacher in the El Paso school system.

Mr. and Mrs. John Dunaway visited last week in Jayton with her sister, Mrs. K. P. Brantner and family.

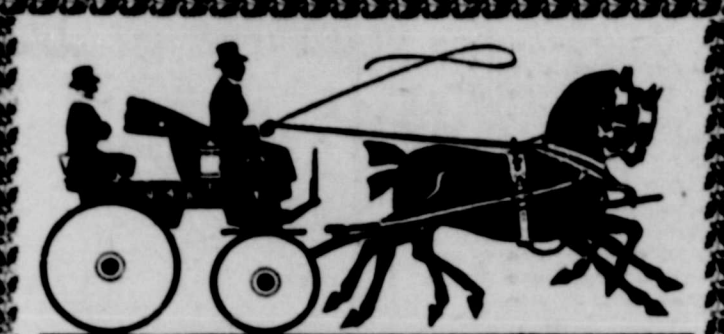
Charles P. Witt of the Kargary community was in Spur Thursday attending to business here.

Darvin Callahan, Jr. Honored With Stag Party Wednesday

Mrs. Darvin Callahan feted her son, Darvin, Jr., last Wednesday night with a stag party. Games of football, "Pollyanna, '42" and other games were played after which refreshments of candy, cake and Dr. Peppers were served to the guests.

Wayne Smith, Duane and Beryl Durham, Don Thompson, Dean Watson, Dick Richardson, John E. Berry, Collin Roy Reese, and Little Eddie Hall, were guests.

James R. Wright returned Wednesday from Amarillo, where he attended a Westinghouse Laundrymat Service School.



A Happy New Year to All

As the glad bells peal out at the stroke of midnight to mark the passing of the old year and the arrival of the new, we pause for a moment to express our appreciation for the confidence, friendship and good will which have been extended to us during the past year and to extend our best wishes for a bright and happy New Year.

Welcome — 1948!
DUNAWAY
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Have you been waiting for that "ship" to come in? It's coming in now, loaded to the gunwales with good wishes from all of us for your health and happiness for 1948.

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TO ALL OUR FRIENDS

We wish a Very Merry Christmas... A Joyous and Happy New Year. We also thank you sincerely for your past patronage and look forward to serving you to your complete satisfaction in—

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DICKENS COUNTY ELECTRIC CO-OPERATIVE, INC.



Straight from us to you goes our package of New Year Wishes full of Good Luck, Happiness and Good Fortune. May your year be one of Health, and Plenty, and all Your Dreams realized. Happy New Year.

Spur Implement Co.
THE FARMALL HOUSE
Phone 53 Spur



Time, the one monarch to whom the whole world pays obedience, passes his scepter to sweep but another year into history's pages.
Few tears mark the death of the old year, but there is gladness at the advent of a new era, which man feels is to prove better and more fruitful than the old one.
May new faith and new courage be your lot in 1948.

SCALES WESTERN STORE



We stand at the end of one year and are about to enter upon a new. We are not sorry to bid farewell to 1947 and we greet 1948 with that traditional hope and faith that well eternally in the breast of human-kind.
May the New Year be a brighter and happier one for all!

CRAWFORD & GREEN
YOUR FIRESTONE DEALER
SPUR



New gleams of hope, fresh streams of courage, come with the dawning of the New Year.
We cherish the thought of the fine associations that have been ours for many years past, and take this means of expressing our deep appreciation of your valued friendship.

BRAZELTON LUMBER CO.
F. W. Jennings, Mgr.



In that same identical manner, we extend our traditional New Year's greeting to you:

MAY HEALTH, HAPPINESS AND PROSPERITY BE YOURS TODAY AND THROUGHOUT THE NEW YEAR

GODFREY AND SMART

NOTICE OF ELECTION FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS, CITY OF SPUR, COUNTY OF DICKENS.

TO ALL QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE CITY OF SPUR, TEXAS, WHO OWN TAXABLE PROPERTY IN SAID CITY AND WHO HAVE DULY RENDERED THE SAME FOR TAXATION:

TAKE NOTICE that an election will be held in the City of Spur, Texas, on the 12th day of January, 1948, to determine whether or not the City Commission of said City shall be authorized to issue the bonds of said City, in the following purposes, to-wit:

\$140,000 revenue bonds for the purpose of constructing improvements, enlargements, extensions, and repairs to the City's Water System; and \$10,000 revenue bonds for the purpose of constructing improvements, enlargements, extensions and repairs to the City's Sanitary Sewer System;

and which election was duly called and ordered by the order of the City Commission of said City, passed on the 15th day of December, 1947, and which ELECTION ORDER is made a part of this Notice, and is in full and figures as follows, to-wit:

ON THIS 15th day of December, 1947, the City Commission of the City of Spur, Texas, convened in regular session, at the regular meeting place thereof in the City Hall, there being present and in attendance the following members:

MARTIN POPE, Mayor; E. C. McGEHE, Commissioner; SPENCER CAMPBELL, Com. and with the following members absent: none, constituting a quorum; at which time the following, among other business, was transacted, to-wit:

It was moved by Commissioner McGee and seconded by Commissioner Campbell that there be submitted to the qualified voters of the City of Spur, Texas, who are property taxpayers therein, and who have duly rendered their property for taxation, propositions for the issuance of bonds of said City, in the following amounts and for the following purposes, to-wit:

\$140,000 revenue bonds for the purpose of constructing improvements, enlargements, extensions and repairs to the City's Water System; and \$10,000 revenue bonds for the purpose of constructing improvements, enlargements, extensions and repairs to the City's Sanitary Sewer System.

The above motion carried by the following vote: AYES: Commissioners McGee and Campbell, and Mayor Pope. NOES: None.

Thereupon, Commissioner McGee introduced an order calling an election for the purpose of submitting the propositions to a vote of the qualified property taxpayers voters of said City, and moved the passage and adoption of such order. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Campbell.

authorized to issue the revenue bonds of said City in the principal sum of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000), maturing serially over a period of years not to exceed thirty (30) years from the date thereof, bearing interest at a rate not to exceed SIX PER CENTUM (6 Pct.) per annum, for the purpose of constructing improvements, enlargements, extensions and repairs to the City's Sanitary Sewer System, as authorized by the General Laws of the State of Texas, said bonds to be special obligations payable as to both principal and interest solely from the revenues of the City's Waterworks and Sewer System; and shall the City Commission be authorized to encumber the City's Waterworks and Sewer System, or the revenues thereof, or both, for the purpose of securing the payment of principal of and interest on said bonds, said encumbrance on said revenues to be an exclusive first lien on and pledge of said revenues, after the deduction of the reasonable expenses of operating and maintaining said Waterworks and Sewer System, as said expenses are defined by statute?

In the event the said revenue bonds are authorized to be issued by a majority of the qualified electors of said City, voting at said election, and the same are issued and sold, the holder or holders of such bonds shall never have the right to demand payment thereof out of any funds raised or to be raised by taxation; and each bond issued or executed, in pursuance of such election, shall contain this clause:

"The holder thereof shall never have the right to demand payment of this obligation out of any funds raised or to be raised, by taxation."

That said election shall be held at the CITY HALL in the City of Spur, Texas, and the entire City shall constitute one election precinct.

That the following named persons are hereby appointed officers of the election, to-wit: J. R. LAINE, Presiding Judge; Mrs. C. D. Foreman, Judge; Mrs. J. R. Laine, Clerk; and Mrs. P. A. Whitwell, Clerk.

That said election shall be held under the provisions of and in accordance with the laws governing the issuance of municipal bonds in cities, as provided in the General Laws of the State of Texas, and only qualified electors, who own taxable property in the City and who have duly rendered the same for taxation, will be qualified to vote.

That the ballots of said election shall have writing or printed thereon the following: OFFICIAL BALLOT "FOR THE ISSUANCE OF" "For the issuance of Waterworks Revenue Bonds and Encumbering the City's Waterworks, and Sewer System, or the Revenues thereof, or both, for the payment of same."

"Against the Issuance of Sewer Revenue Bonds and Encumbering the City's Waterworks and Sewer System, or the Revenues thereof, or both, for the payment of same."

As to each of the foregoing propositions, each voter shall mark out with black ink or black pencil one of the above expressions, thus leaving the other as indicating his or her vote on the two propositions, respectively.

That a copy of this order, signed by the Mayor of the City of Spur, and attested by the City Secretary, shall serve as proper notice of said election.

this the 15th day of December, 1947 MARTIN POPE, Mayor, City of Spur, Texas. ATTEST: JAMES H. COWAN, City Secretary, City of Spur, Texas. (CITY SEAL)

THIS NOTICE of election is issued and given by the undersigned, pursuant to authority conferred by virtue of the above and foregoing order of the City Commission of the City of Spur, Texas, and under authority of law. WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF THE CITY OF SPUR, TEXAS, this 15th day of December, 1947.

MARTIN POPE, Mayor, City of Spur, Texas. ATTEST: JAMES H. COWAN, City Secretary, City of Spur, Texas. (CITY SEAL)

PERSONALS Miss Jean Arthur, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Arthur is here to spend the holidays with home folks. She is a student at Abilene Christian college at Abilene.

Bill Starcher and Soupy Walker arrived late last week from Waco to spend the Christmas holidays here with their parents, Mrs. Nona Starcher and Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Walker. They are both students at Baylor University.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny McClain and son, A. J. of Robert Lee were here recently for a week end visit in the home of Mrs. McClain's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Conaway, and to visit his father, C. A. McClain and sisters, Mrs. A. B. Herring.

Miss Betty Weaver, student at Texas Technological college at Lubbock, arrived the latter part of the week to spend the Christmas holidays here in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Weaver.

CONTRACTOR'S NOTICE OF TEXAS HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION Sealed proposals for constructing 8.658 miles of Gr., Dr. Strs., Flex. Bs. & Asph. Surf. Tract. from Spur to 64 mi. S. & W. from U. S. 62 east to Afton on Highway No. F.M. 261 & 265 covered by S 987 (1) & S 1019 (1) in Dickens County, will be received at the Highway Department, Austin, until 9:00 a. m., Jan. 16, 1948, and then publicly opened and read.

This is a "Public Works" project, as defined in House Bill No. 54 of the 43rd Legislature of the State of Texas and House Bill No. 115 of the 44th Legislature of the State of Texas, and as such is subject to the provisions of said House Bills. No provisions herein are intended to be in conflict with the provisions of said Acts.

In accordance with provisions of said House Bills, the State Highway Commission has ascertained the wage rates prevailing in the locality in which this work is to be done. The Contractor shall pay not less than the prevailing wage rates shown in the proposal for Group 3 for each craft or type of "Laborer," "Workman," or "Mechanic" employed on this project.

Legal holiday work shall be paid for at the regular governing rates. Plans and specifications available at the office of C. E. Gresham, resident engineer, Matador, Texas, and Texas Highway Department, Austin. Usual rights reserved.

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Letters To Santa Dear Santa— I am a little boy and I have been good. Please bring me a little red wagon, and a Gene Astry gun and lots of fruits, candy and nuts. Your Friend, Little Sonny Boy Miller

Dear Santa— Please bring me a little farm and a pair of boots. I have been good but I will try to be a better boy next year. Don't forget the candy, nuts, and good things to eat. Love, Victor Lewis Jackson

Dear Santa— I am 3 1/2 years old. I want a magic skin doll and a buggy for her, also some cowgirl boots and a little train. Love, Louise Dawson

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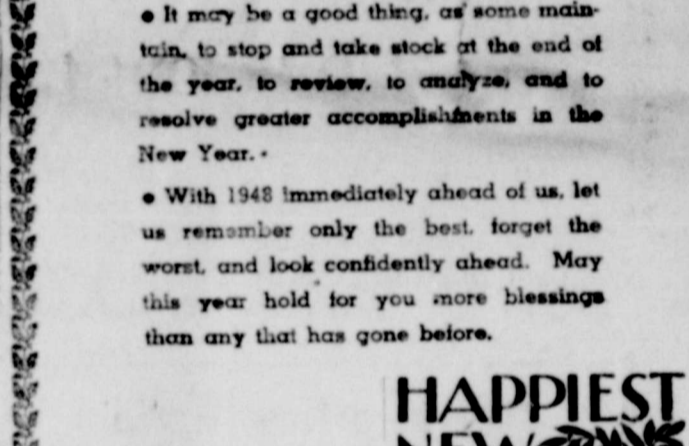
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HERE IS HOPING 1948 WILL BRING TO OUR Many Customers and Friends A Most Joyous and HAPPY NEW YEAR

The New Year presents a challenge. We accept that challenge, pledging to do our utmost to make this a better community in 1948. Your friendship has enabled us to play an outstanding role in the past—we look forward to a continuation of your good will in 1948.

TRI-COUNTY LBR. CO. W. F. GILBERT, Mgr.



MERRY YULETIDE It may be a good thing, as some maintain, to stop and take stock at the end of the year, to review, to analyze, and to resolve greater accomplishments in the New Year.

HAPPIEST NEW YEAR 1948

WILLSON - YOUNG LUMBER CO. Phone 12



At the magic stroke of 12, the New Year will make its advent, marking the turning of another page in the book of our lives. Lo, there is before us a clean white page, a slab of snow-white marble, whereon must be recorded the events of the coming year. What shall be written thereon? A saga of peace and contentment, of happiness and joy, of health and happiness. That is our wish for you on the threshold of 1948.

FOODWAY Carl Murray



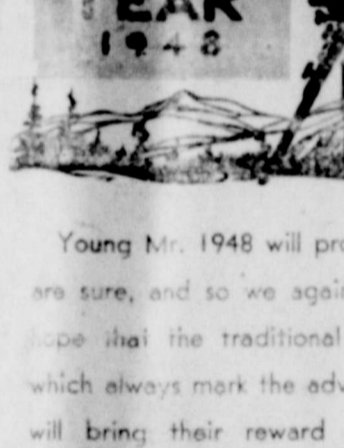
As the New Year Cupid gaily rings in 1948 let us pause a moment and resolve to make this year one of fullness and happiness in our relations to each other. Let us help each other achieve love, happiness, peace and prosperity this year and every year to follow.

CITY DRUG CO PHONE 16 - SPUR



WE KNOW OF NO BETTER TIME THAN CHRISTMAS TO GIVE RECOGNITION TO OUR MANY FRIENDS WHO HAVE CONTRIBUTED SO GREATLY TO OUR SUCCESS DURING THE PAST YEAR. FROM ALL OF US ONCE MORE TO YOU, WHETHER YOU ARE OUR CUSTOMER OR NOT

B. & H. STUDIO We Wish You a Happy New Year



Young Mr. 1948 will prove no exception, we are sure, and so we again greet you with the hope that the traditional faith and good will which always mark the advent of the New Year will bring their reward in the form of an improved community this year.

PATTON GRO. & MKT. Jack - Pearl - Hart - Butch

That Our Employees May enjoy the usual Christmas Festivities with their families, we will be CLOSED from Wednesday Noon, December 24, until Friday Noon, December 26. WISHING YOU A MERRY XMAS

SIGNED Williamson Bros. Gin Martin Pope, Mgr. Swift Gin Geo. Sloan, Mgr. FARMER'S COOPERATIVE SOCIETY, NO. 1 Lloyd Hindman, Mgr.

Many Unique New Year Customs - Still Exist in Foreign Countries

Scotland

Young Scotchmen used to wait eagerly for the first stroke of twelve marking the coming of the New Year. As the bell in the church steeple began to toll, he would rush up to the door of his beloved's home, to be the first to cross her threshold. The girl would listen for

"The first foot's entering step. That sudden on the floor is welcome heard, Ere blushing maids have braided up their hair; The laugh, the hearty kiss, the good New Year, Pronounced with honest warmth."

In Scotland, as in most northern European countries, it is an old belief that spirits, both good and evil, are peculiarly active on New Year's Eve. On the stroke of midnight, according to the ancient superstition, all genii were in motion and could be exorcised by appropriate words. Good genii were called hillmen or "hobgoblins" in the dialect of Scotland, and evil spirits called trolls. Mummers used to wander about the



streets, wearing masks and carrying swards, reciting this doggerel verse, in an effort to attract the good "hobgoblin" and to drive off the evil "troll" —

"Hobgoblin, Troll, Gie o' your white bread, I'll hae name o' your grey."

Scotch New Year's Toast
Here's to the year that's awa!
We'll drink it, in strong and in sma',
And to each honny lassie that we dearly loove,
In the days o' the year that's awa!
Here's to the friend we can trust,
When the sorrows of adversity blaw;
Who can join in our song, and be nearest our heart,
Nor depart—like the year that's awa!

Italy

Celebration of New Year's Day seems to have arisen in Italy in the early Middle Ages. In the year 546 a bishop reproved his people for the drinking, feasting, and general wild time that they were indulging in on a holy day—the Feast of the Circumcision of Christ, eight days after Christmas. He told them to turn their backs on "the old, profane and evil ways of paganism." In the later Middle Ages the observances of the day grew more spiritual, through the efforts of St. Gregory Thaumaturgus and St. Gregory the Great.

New Year in a New World



CLOSING DATE FOR CIVIL SERVICE JOB APPLICATIONS IS EXTENDED

Insufficient applications to fill vacancies have been received and the Civil Service commission has extended closing date of competitive examinations for chemists, physicists, engineers, and mathematicians needed in the Southern Regional Research Laboratory. Civil Service office here announced.

Salaries for the positions range from \$3,397 to \$5,905 per year. Ratings are based on training and

Syria

The great day of fun and feasting in Syria is New Year's Day. They exchange presents, and children go about from door to door giving the greeting of the season, and expecting gifts of candy and money.



Before going to bed on New Year's Eve a Syrian child sets out a bowl of water and a dish of wheat for the refreshment of the camel who is supposed to bring him gifts. According to legend the camel was the youngest of the animals bearing the Wise Men, and it all down exhausted by the strenuous journey. The Christ Child seeing this blessed the animal and conferred immortality upon it. In Lebanon it is a "magic milk" who bears the gifts of the world.

Hungary

One of the quaintest New Year's customs is the visit of the chimney sweeps in Hungarian towns. The sweep knocks at the door with his broom, and the householders snatch a straw or two from it. These are tied with a ribbon and kept as a good luck charm during the year.



To touch a pig on New Year's Eve brings good luck, according to Hungarian tradition. In the principal restaurants and cafes of Budapest they release a pig at midnight, and there is much merriment as the diners try to touch the squealing animal as it races among the tables.

Czechoslovakia

In Czechoslovakia they forecast the future by little "lightboats"—nut shells filled with wax and floating on water, a wick burning in each shell. If the boat floats toward the center, its owner will take a journey during the New Year. If two boats come together, the owners will be married within the year.

Girard News

SENIOR NEWS

We are all very happy this week as we are beginning our Annual. The High school has elected as the staff the following:

Editor: Mary Lee Willis.
Assistant Editor: Wanda Faye Stinnett.
Business Manager: Al Ray Young.
Sports Editor: Platy Bural.
Feature Editor: Elwanda O'Keefe.
Grade School Rep: Gracie Lou Stinnett.

The ball games have been going out very nicely and I sure do hope that they will continue throughout the year.

The Seniors wishes all of you a Very Happy and Merry Christmas and also a Very Happy New Year to each of you.

FREE-MAN NEWS
Well, here we are again, counting the seconds until Christmas, when Old St. Nick will be dropping down our chimney. Guess that everyone was surprised when they awakened Thursday morning and found snow on the ground. Although it melted very fast, we all enjoyed it, and we'll all be wishing for a white Christmas.

By the way the high school choir club and the music people are to have a program the night of Friday the 19th, so be sure that you attend.
Hope you all enjoy the holidays, just wish ours were for a longer time.

SIXTH AND SEVENTH
We are all looking forward to Christmas. We hope old Santa Claus comes to see us. We have all been pretty good boys and girls.
Getting our report cards last Friday made us wish that there were not so many D's and F's. We are going to get out a week for Christmas. Donald Ray is going to California. We hope he has a nice trip and gets back when

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OLD FASHIONED TURKEY DINNER

Everything you love best for Christmas... golden brown, juicy turkey... rich, red cranberries, sweet potatoes larded with marshmallows... creamy pumpkin pie. All cooked to perfection.

We Invite You to Celebrate Your Family's Christmas Eve Dinner Here

BELL'S CAFE

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FOR EXPERT DRY CLEANING and ALTERATIONS

Bring Your Clothes to the

CITY CLEANERS
ROARING SPRINGS, TEXAS

MERRY CHRISTMAS

As the years come and go we can count our friends in ever increasing numbers. We like to think that neither luck nor chance accounts for this, but that the answer lies in public recognition of our determination to give our customers superior service and value at all times. Here is hoping that you may all enjoy

A MOST HAPPY NEW YEAR
E. C. MCGEE IMP. CO.
FORD TRACTORS FARM EQUIPMENT
Dearborn

GREETINGS...
Because it is the Holiday Season and because we want to wish you every happiness we send you Greetings. May we express our appreciation for your friendliness and the hope that your New Year will be Completely Successful

WILLIAMSON BROS. GIN
Geo. Williamson, B. Williamson and Martin Pope
Spur, Texas

school starts. We hope everyone one has a long nice trip this Christmas.

FOURTH AND FIFTH GRADES
My! how anxious we are for Santa to arrive. We have had the Christmas spirit so long we can hardly wait for him.

Shirley went to Lubbock and saw Santa Saturday. Our room is glad to have Betty and Jackie back this week. We were sorry to see Glanda, she moved Friday.

Oh, how we did enjoy the lovely snow Thursday—think the teacher got rolled—? ?

We are too excited for Christmas—see you later and tell you about Santa.

JUNIOR CLASS
Well, here we are again, about ready to turn out for the Christmas holidays. Believe it, we are ready for a few holidays.

We organized our annual staff Monday. We hope to have a good annual. We have not had one in several years.

We go to Lorenzo Tuesday night to play Robertson in our second conference game.

The boys finally got some new suits. They are pretty, too.

HONOR ROLL
First Grade
Carol Lynn Phipps, Berniece Frazier, Raymond Brooks, Jan Williams, Wanda Joyce Smith, Debra Smith.

Second Grade
Lou Ann Spaulding, Patsy Murphy, Charlene Rudder, Janice Long, Joyce Long.

Third Grade
Ola Hooser, Junis Gregory, Beva Thompson, Sandra Sherer, Ruth Willis, Elwanda Taylor, Joan Brooks, Bob Williams, Roy Childers, Nora Lee Long, Murrell Brooks.

Fourth Grade
Gloria Ruth Dickerson, Alfreda Taylor.

Fifth Grade
Garth Gregory.

Sixth Grade
Rance Gregory.

Eighth Grade
Letha Beth Turner.

Freshmen
Finis Butler.

Sophomores
Bonnie Kilpatrick, Jimmy Wyatt.

Juniors
Gracie Lou Stinnett, Elwanda O'Keefe.

Seniors
Bobbie Lea Smith, Tommie Windham, Mary Lea Willis, Norman Hahn, (above 9.)

ATHLETICS
Girard girls and boys had their first game at home Tuesday night, and were very lucky to win in two victories. Scores were Peacock 17, Girard 22 for the girls, and for the boys our team scored up 28 to the opposing team's 12.

On Friday night the Girard girls went to Jayton with high hopes only to have the high and mighty Roosevelt team from Lubbock County smash them into ashes to the tune of 36 to 20.

Letters To Santa
Houston 12, Texas
Dec. 16, 1927.

Dear Santa Claus—
We three little girls have been the best we know how, and help our mother while she was sick, so will you please come to see us. Please don't forget our grand-

a Season Joyous Christmas 1947

If we could—
we would say "Merry Christmas" to each of you personally. Since we can't, the next best thing is to put our greetings in print.

Good Luck to all 1948

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5c to \$5.00 STORE—SPUR

MERRY Christmas
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We have been good little girls this year. We each want a doll and bed and a tricycle. Don't forget our little friend Barbara Joe. Love, Mary Lou and Billy Jean Brown

Merry Christmas to one and all

Once again the joyous spell of Christmas is cast over us, as we hurry about with gifts for those we love. That warm glow we get from giving at this holy season cannot be duplicated at any other time of the year. It is our sincere wish that a full measure of happiness may be yours, this Christmas of 1947.

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We'll demonstrate and rent the dustless HILCO "Handy Sandy" Resurfacer your floors the rapid, handy, inexpensive way... very little hand scraping. Willson & Young Lumber Company, Phone 12.

Your furniture upholstered or restyled. Also tailored slip-covers. Will furnish everything, including covers of your selection. Mrs. Joe Watson, Dickens Highway, 774th.

Fleety of G. M. Anti-Freeze. Get Yours Now. Plenty of Chevrolet motor block assembly, radiator, present. Spur Motor Co. (5-11)

FOUL SALE—700, clean, close brick, one window complete, one man's black jacket, rabbit hair finest. Phone 321-W 8-11c

FOR SALE—160 acres, 140 in cultivation, 120 acres sowed in wheat, sorghum, beans, hay, etc. Possession Jan. 1st. A. D. Hord, 4 miles southeast of Spur, 8-1x

FOR SALE—My residence and gas station on West Harris St. If sold within the next few weeks. J. J. Ensey, 8-1c

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PRICED TO SELL—4 rooms and bath. One lot, underground butane tank, 7 blocks west of bank. T. A. Morrow, 8-1x

FOR SALE—Victor Piano, \$85.00. Elmer Franzer, Rt. 2 Spur, 8-2x

FOR TRADE—Good 1943 H. Farmall with equipment for late model Four Row. Phone 214-J. 8-11x

SEED WHEAT—For sale, Wichita and Lamark. See Dan Pyhrst, 7-3x

FOR SALE—Girls bicycle, good condition. Price \$20. See Mabel Whitener, or call 206-W. 8-1x

FOR SALE—United States Batteries, \$8.95 Exchange and up. O. K. Rubber Welders. 8-11c

FOR RENT—Bedroom, to couple without children or to men. Mrs. Myrtle Whitwell, 8-11c

Interspring mattress our specialty. "Old mattresses made new, new mattresses made too". All work guaranteed. Spur Mattress Co. 120 E. Harris St. Phone 105 (44-1)

LOST—Brown leather billfold, containing seventeen dollars, photos of discharge, pictures and drivers license at Spur Theatre. Liberal Reward. Austin B. Garner, Box 131, Dickens Texas. 8-1x

We buy late model used tractors. E. C. McGee Incubator Co. (21)

FOR SALE—1941 Ford Tractor. See Cecil Estep, 8-21x

REWARD—For return of greyhound lost in Croton community Saturday, December 6. Cream colored brindle, about year old. Charlie Stephenson, McAdoo, 8-3x

LOST—Young female dog, white with black spots, has tag on collar, \$25 reward. Clyde Green or Mrs. Vandiver, next door north of Links, 8-1x

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Pie Spice	2-Oz. Can.	14¢
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Rubbed Sage	2-Oz. Can.	18¢
Apple Sauce	8-Oz. Can.	17¢
Cranberry	10-Oz. Can.	21¢
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Safeway Produce

Oranges	Texas Hamlin	Lb.	5¢
Apples	Washington Extra Fancy Red Delicious	Lb.	13¢
Cranberries	Cape Cod	12-Oz. Pkg.	31¢
Pascal Celery	California Crisp, Tender	Lb.	9¢
California Navel Oranges		Lb.	7¢
Ruby Red Grapefruit		Lb.	8¢
Seedless Grapefruit		Lb.	4¢
Texas Tangerines	Easy to Peel	Lb.	14¢
California Avocados	Large 30 Size	Each	20¢
Red Emperor Grapes	California	Lb.	14¢
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