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## Court Decision In Utilities vs. City

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS LUBBOCK DIVISION

West Texas Utilities Company Vs. City of Spur, et al.

Opinion of Hon. James C. Wilson, Judge of the United States Court for the Northern District of Texas, Lubbock Division:

In this case of the West Texas Utilities Company vs. The City of Spur, et al, the questions presented in this case have been so numerous in the time I have had I have only been able to reach my conclusions and findings and have decided to dictate an opinion in open court, to that there will not be any further delay in the matter of drawing up the final decree.

An ordinance of the City of Spur was passed October 25th of this year, the principal sections of which are as follows:

Section 1: That it shall be unlawful for any firm, corporation or person to conduct and operate any utility plant, such as telephone, gas, water works, electric light or any other utility plant without a franchise from the City of Spur, duly passed by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Spur.

Section 2: That it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation, without a franchise from the City of Spur, Texas, duly passed by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Spur, to lay any mains, pipes, conduits or to erect any poles, wires or appurtenances or anything belonging to any such plant, or make any extensions thereof on or over or under the streets, alleys, sidewalks or public grounds in the City of Spur, Texas. The penalty provision being Section 3.

Section 3: If any person, firm or corporation, or any agent or employee for them violating any of the provisions of this ordinance, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine or penalty of not less than \$25.00 nor more than \$200, and each and every day of such violation shall be a separate offense.

The plaintiff filed this suit on the 31st day of October thereafter to enjoin the enforcement of said Ordinance. The ground of jurisdiction being that a Federal Question is involved. Since the enforcement of same, as plaintiff alleges, would be violative of Section 1 of the 14th Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, in that it would deprive the plaintiff of its property without due process of law. Defendants filed a motion to dismiss on the 15th day of January. By agreement of the parties, presenting this motion was deferred until after the evidence was heard.

As a ground for this motion, defendants allege, and the oral evidence discloses, that after the suit was filed the Ordinance complained of was repealed, and defendants claim that any question as to the validity of the Ordinance, therefore, is a moot question; that no relief here could be granted as against a repealed Ordinance, and since this question was out of the case upon which the jurisdiction of the court was originally predicated that this court is now without jurisdiction to proceed further in the trial of the other issues presented and since all of the remaining issues arise under and are determined by the State laws, none of which could give raise to Federal Jurisdiction. The motion to dismiss will be overruled. It is not questioned that the suit is one of civil nature, nor that the amount in controversy, or the value hereof is \$3,000.00 exclusive of interest and costs, nor that this court had original jurisdiction of the case, because of the Federal question presented.

The repeal of the Ordinance before the hearing of the case does not affect the jurisdiction of the Court. Where jurisdiction is once lawfully attached the court will retain jurisdiction to dispose of all issues presented although such issues within themselves would not confer original jurisdiction upon the court.

It appears plaintiff, and its predecessors in title have conducted an

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## Our New County Officers

All of the new County Officers elect took the oath of office at the Courthouse Tuesday. Every officer to enter upon his new duties has had experience in the County's business in former years and each one is adequately prepared to do his part. The personnel of new officers are: County Judge, O. C. Newberry; High Sheriff, G. L. Barber; Clerk, County and District Court, Robt. Reynolds; County Attorney, B. G. Worswick; County Treasurer, Mrs. C. C. Cobb; County Commissioners: Precinct 1, Austin C. Rose; Precinct 2, E. N. Johnson; Precinct 3, H. O. Albin; Precinct 4, Charlie Perrin.

## BARRIER BROS. HAD GOOD OPENING

The new store of Barrier Bros. which opened in our city a few days ago, has received a very liberal patronage from the people of Spur country. The management stated that the people had been very favorable to them and they appreciated the fine attitude of the people of this country. The manager stated that they had been handicapped as a result of not getting their stock before the opening day. This was the fault of transportation and could not be avoided by the local management. They are getting in new goods all the time and it will not be long until this store will have a stock that will measure up to the best in Texas.

## Afton Gets New Drug Store

Dickens County is to have a new drug store. The new business is being opened up this week and the manager is to be none other than Frank Watson formerly of Spur. The business is to be known as the Afton Drug Store and is owned and controlled by the Spur Drug Company of this city.

In speaking of the business, Jim Ed Hall, general manager for both stores, said that they expected to give the Afton people a drug store that they will be proud of. In expressing himself on this subject, he said, "The people of Afton Country have always been the best of friends to Spur business men. Now we have an opportunity to render them a service and we mean to make it a good one. He then stated the store would carry everything in the drugstore lines that could be found in the large cities. It is to be a most complete stock.

In speaking of the fixtures and accommodations Mr. Hall stated that the store would be nicely equipped, nice fixtures being used. He then said whatever can be found in Spur will be found in the Afton store and the people will get just as good service there as they can get anywhere.

Afton is a growing little community. There are business houses added every year and it will not be long until the people of that country will have what they need right at home. Within a few years it is going to be a controlling point in the county, a little city all its own. We need a good town up there, and let's help make it Afton.

## METHODIST CHURCH

Next Sunday will be the first Sunday in the new Year. Start in right by being at Sunday School and Church.

Be on hand at 10:00 a m and there will be a welcome and a class for you. The pastor will preach at 11:00 a m and 7:00 p m.

Be sure to hear the message at the evening hour—Subject—"Taking an Inventory." All are welcome. W. B. Vaughn, Pastor

Mrs. C. C. Bailey, of Red Mud Community was doing some shopping in our city the last of the week. She thinks the Spur Country the best anywhere.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. McKeehan, of Little Rock, Ark., were in our city this week, visiting their son Dale McKeehan, of the Texas Spur Office.

Ben J. Brothers and daughter, Miss Elise of Paducah were guests of friends in the city last week.

## "Moving In"



## New Laundry Now Running

The Spur Laundry Company have their new Laundry in operation now. It is located in a nice new brick building on the corner just across from Tri-County Lumber Company where there is plenty of room and good light. There was quite a great deal of work done there last week but Mr. Wilson the manager, did not say anything about it because he did not have everything in running condition.

The new laundry is doing the same quality and kind of work that any laundry in the state is doing now. The writer tried it out with some collars last week and when they came back they looked like new ones. The laundry does finished work, rough dry and wet wash. All of these various classes take a different rate which is very reasonable.

When all expense is considered together with time and labor the laundry will do the washing cheaper and better than it can be done at home. Very few people take into consideration the full expense of the family laundry and therefore think the work done at the laundry comes higher. But if one will make a few calculations they will find that the laundry is more economical.

Mr. Wilson stated that the new laundry is getting a fine patronage from the people and that the business is growing all the time. There are a number of girls busy now getting the work out and Mr. Wilson said, "As the business grows, we shall add help and give the people service. If we lose their laundry, we shall see that they are properly paid for it too."

## DEAR FRIENDS

We have had the best year's business in our history and we want to thank the good people for it. We have lots to be thankful for—good, loyal friends; good health and many others all of which have made our business what it is. We are glad you feel free to make our store your headquarters when you are in town. Just keep it up.

No we are not contented, but grateful for our business situation. We want to do greater things for our friends this year. We believe in progress, in making next year better than the past one, in doing greater things each year. We want you to enjoy a better time when you come into our store, to have better service rendered you and if the factories produce them, to have a larger and better stock of drugstore merchandise to select from.

Let's join hands for a better year, make this a greater country, help each other to do diversified farming, stand by our home industries and keep this the best drug store in West Texas.

SPUR DRUG COMPANY That Real Good Drug Store On The Corner

## VISITS BROTHER

H. G. Perry, of Junction is here this week, the guest of his brother W. S. Perry of the Spur Hardware and Furniture Company. Mr. Perry is an old newspaper man, having owned and operated the Javelin at Carrizo Springs for many years. Just a short time ago he sold his part and located in Junction.

## Confederate Soldier Answers To Last Roll Call

J. W. Peters, Member of the John A. Green Camp of Ex-Confederate Soldiers died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. W. W. Garner, just east of town about noon last Saturday. He celebrated his 86th birthday the 5th of last July and it was his mature age more than anything else that caused his demise.

Mr. Peters was born in Jackson County, Alabama, July 5, 1841. When he was 14 years of age he moved with his parents to Titus County, Texas. In 1856 the family moved to Palo Pinto County and engaged in farming and stock raising business.

In 1862, Mr. Peters joined the Confederate forces and served as a private under Brig-Gen. Cooper's command. He served throughout the remainder of the war, and as he often said, "Shot as many Yankees as he could." He served his cause zealously and was true to every trust. He received an honorable discharge and returned home to his parents in 1865.

Three years after leaving the Army he was married to Miss N. C. Lasater, four boys and four girls were born to this union.

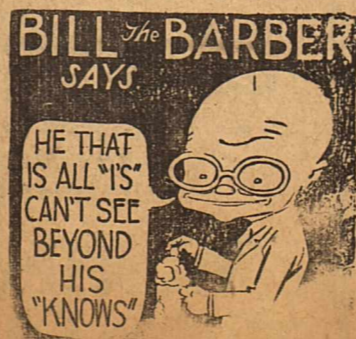
In 1909 the family moved to Dickens County where he has resided ever since. The last few years Mr. Peters has made his home with his daughter, Mrs. W. W. Garner, who did all she could to make his declining days happy. Mr. Peters was always active in civic affairs and even the last general election he came to Spur and voted. While he did not make much to do about churches, he told some of his friends before he died that he was ready to go.

Funeral services were conducted at the cemetery Sunday afternoon by Rev. F. G. Rodgers, pastor of the First Baptist Church. Rev. Rodgers spoke of the life of Mr. Peters as one of usefulness, and portrayed the many great things he had done. Interment was made at the Spur Cemetery, Webber Williams acting as funeral director.

With the death of Mr. Peters, there is just one active member of the John A. Green Camp left. He appears to be strong and looks like he might live many years yet.

T. W. Morgan, who has been a sufferer for a long time, left Monday for Wichita Falls, where he will receive treatment at the State Hospital. It is hoped Mr. Morgan soon will be able to return to his family with good health.

Miss Jennie Osborn, County Demonstration Agent, returned Wednesday from New Mexico where she has been spending the holidays with her parents.



## Spur Schools Re-Opened Yesterday

The schools of Spur Independent School District started off again yesterday morning after the faculty and student body had enjoyed a 10-day vacation. There were a number of changes made in the various departments and this is going to require a few days to get everything adjusted properly. It is hoped that parents will not tell the children what the teacher should do, at least until the teacher has time to get it done and then probably all will feel better by not having given any advice.

On account of the seats not arriving until the first of this week the pupils will not get into the new building until Monday, 14. The work on setting the seats is being rushed as rapidly as possible and the building will be ready for new classes by the above date.

## CARD OF THANKS

I am taking advantage of the paper in letting folks know just how much the Spur Mutual can help.

I never realized the value of an accident policy until I lost one of my eyes.

I want to thank the Spur Mutual for their quick response and settlement. I am strong for the Mutual and think that the Home Mutual is the only insurance for poor folks. Let's make it go.

Signed: W. A. Walker, McAdoo, Texas.

## Influenza Raging

According to reports from our local physicians there is LOTS of influenza in this country now. Our physicians are very busy now trying to control the situation and it will be very necessary that the people carry out their instructions to avoid fatalities. It is estimated that the present wave of influenza has caused more than 15,000 deaths already and it is reported that another wave will follow this one.

Physicians say that proper habits plenty of sleep, simple foods, avoid staying out late at night, gargle the throat and spray the nasal passages often. Just a little precaution at this time may save some lives.

## NOTICE !

Perry Jones of Stamford will hold services in the Presbyterian Church in Spur on Sunday the 6th, day of January, 1929. The public is cordially invited to attend.

## GINNERS REPORT

There have been 8,899 bales of the 1928 cotton crop ginned in Spur according to the reports turned in by ginneries at four o'clock yesterday afternoon. There were only five gins running last week and this as a result of one being damaged by fire. All gins are turning out good samples considering the cotton that is being brought in.

Quotations on cotton, strict middling basis was \$18.50. Most of the cotton was selling around \$16.50 on account of the grade. Croton reported 1081 bales ginned. Dickens reported 1695 bales ginned. This makes a total of 11,175 bales for the three points.

Donald Ensey, who has been spending the holidays here with his parents left this week for Abilene where he will continue his work in Simmons University.

Mrs. W. E. Fint is in Alpine visiting relatives and friends. She expects to be away about ten days.

Mrs. Ralph Jackson who had been here visiting her husband at C. E. Stone Company left Tuesday for Stamford to be with her mother a while.

Murray Mullican, of C. E. Stone Company is reported very sick, influenza being the trouble.

Miss Maude Clemmons of Dallas is here the guest of her mother Mrs. Pauline Clemmons.

Each H. H. who had been here on the holidays with his parents left today for Dallas where he will continue his work at S. M. U.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard back from the holidays and continue their work at the Spur Hardware and Furniture Company.

## Spur's New Well Is A Good One

Water Commissioner J. E. Johnson took a Times reporter out to the city waterworks yesterday and explained all about the new well to him. The well is just about to be completed and the work in constructing this well, (and construct is right) demanded the greatest engineering ability.

It is 38 feet deep and has required thirty days to make it a success.

The work was under the direct supervision of Mr. Dennis D. Doty of Garden City, Kans., the work being done by the Well Works Manufacturers Company of Garden City, Kan.

The well is located fifty feet east of the old wells. It is 13 feet to the water which leaves 25 feet of good water to keep the well up.

The work on the well has been very difficult. It required a 54 inch tube to be sunk in the sand. On the inside of this a 24 inch tube was placed on the sand and the water bailed out with an orange shaped steel bucket. As the sand and water was bailed out the tube gradually went down, keeping out the quick-sand and gravel.

When the clay foundation was reached an 18 inch tube of high pressure, perforated iron casing was set in the center of the 42 inch cylinder. Then coarse gravel was packed around this perforated casing and the 42-inch tube gradually pulled out. This leaves the well with an 18 inch casing packed around with coarse gravel which will permit the water to percolate through and keep it supplied. The well is now testing 225 gallons per minute and it is thought that is will grow stronger in a few days.

There has been another test made 25 feet west of the old wells. It is not known just what this well will do, but the test shows it will make 300 or probably 350 per minute. The company will put down this well to complete their contract with the city. Both wells are guaranteed to give satisfaction for one year after completed.

The water Commissioner had been looking forward to this extension for some time as a result the money was in the bank waiting for the job when it came.

The people were not called on to vote bonds to make this extension.

## LESTER H. CHANEY DIES

Lester H. Chaney, of Roaring Springs, died at the local sanitarium Monday of last week. Mr. Chaney was brought to the sanitarium as a result of a gunshot wound in the neck. He was carrying a gun in his inside coat pocket and when he leaned over forward, it fell out and was discharged, taking effect in his neck. He was twenty years of age.

Campbell Undertaking Parlor prepared the body for funeral services which were held at Roaring Springs Christmas Day. Interment was made in Roaring Springs Cemetery.

## VELMA HYATT PASSES AWAY

Velma, 13, daughter of Lon Hyatt ten miles East of Dickens, departed this life Monday evening of last week. She had been stricken down with the typhoid fever, which caused her death.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at Dickens after which interment was made in Dickens Cemetery.

## CALLED TO HER FATHER'S BEDSIDE

Last week Mrs. Robert Reynolds was called to Denton to be with her father, Judge S. M. Bradley who was reported seriously ill. Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds left in haste when they arrived they found Mr. Bradley a very sick man. Mr. Reynolds came back to Dickens Sunday night since he had to be in his office Monday, but left again Monday evening for Denton.

Judge Bradley is prominent in business affairs in Denton County and is one of the best known men in that country. He served his county as judge sixteen years and finally refused to run again, turning a deaf ear to strong solicitations from voters all over the county. He has been engaged in the practice of law and in the loan business for the past few years. Many young men in Denton own homes today as a result of the work of Mr. Bradley.

TEN MASTER FARMERS ANNOUNCED

That farmers can get their names in print is evidenced by the fact that the Progressive Farmer had ten written up with notable achievements. All of these farmers just a few years ago were either farm laborers or renter farmers, while today they have plenty of this world's goods. It will be observed that all of them have a diversified farm program, believe in fertilizers of some kind, have cows, hogs and chickens as a side line, most of them raise plenty of feed and very few of them sell the feed off their farms but feed it to live stock—the best means of marketing.

Below we give the little sketch of each of these master farmers as was reported by H. L. Atkins, Jr., Associate Editor of the Progressive Farmer. We are doing this thinking that some of our local farmers will get a good foundation for a farm program for this year and soon be reported as a "Master Farmer."

**Here They Are**  
Oscar Aldridge, Myra, Cooke County, furnishes an excellent example of what good management and originality can mean in profits returned from a small acreage. He owns 86 acres with 51 acres in cultivation, but rents 64 acres additional. Wheat, cotton, dairy products, hogs, wool and poultry products furnish a well-distributed income. Mr. Aldridge believes in marketing crops through livestock and is an excellent feeder, as is evidenced by the fact that he has qualified two litters of hogs in ton-litter contests. Taking advantage of natural deposits of sand and gravel on his farm. Mr. Aldridge has, through applying his own work and the purchase of cement, built a concrete home, milk house, poultry house, feeding floor, and even many fence posts. These concrete structures are symbols of the careful and stable type of agriculture he is following.

Raymond Brown, Mount Pleasant, Titus County, quit teaching 10 years ago and invested his limited savings in 154 acres of East Texas land. His faith in farming and love for the farm was deciding factor. Through systematic crop rotation and the use of commercial and natural fertilizers, his land has been increasing in fertility each year. The chief income is derived from cream and cotton but nearly \$2,000 per year is realized from hogs, poultry, melons, truck crops, and fruit. The sale of cream and butter makes it possible to have an abundant supply of skim milk for the hogs and chickens and thus reduce the amount of protein feed it is necessary to buy. His plan of using small grain for grazing through the winter and turning it under green in the spring serves to improve soil conditions as well as provide grazing. The entire corn crop is planted in alternate rows with cow peas which are three acres sowed to peas for hay turned under with stalk waste, and Brown is a student of farming as well returns to the land as manure. Mr. as a hard worker. He feels that adapting practices to constantly changing conditions is as important in farming as in any line of business and his success proves that he is right.

I. B. Corns, Harlingen, Cameron County, owns and operates a beautiful 40-acre, irrigated farm, devoted chiefly to citrus fruits and truck crops. Grapefruit, oranges, cabbage, tomatoes, cotton and eggs are the sources of cash income. Educated at Purdue University as an electrical engineer, Mr. Corns returned to farming after four years in the engineering field. His education instilled the ideas of exactness and of keeping up with new developments into his nature and has been of material benefit to him in agricultural work. The liberal use of commercial fertilizer and poultry manure around citrus trees enables him to get larger yields and earlier maturity of fruit which means big increases in profits. A busy farm program does not keep Mr. Corns from being active in community life. Both he and his wife are natural leaders. For the past several years they have had charge of arranging exhibits at local fairs.

T. Fred Ervins, San Antonio, Bexar County, owns 290 acres of good land of which 245 acres are cultivated. The bulk of his income centers about livestock, chiefly dairy cattle and hogs. With the exception of 30 acres planted to cotton, the entire cultivated acreage is devoted to feed crops. By utilizing his corn, oats, grain sorghum and cowpeas for livestock, most of the plant food consumed by these crops is returned to the soil as manure. Mr. Ervins is a member of the Bexar County Herd Improvement Association and has found it a big help in weeding out unprofitable cows, determining relative values of feeds, comparing cream tests made by the county tester with those of the creamery, and in many other ways. He says that by studying his monthly production and cost records kept for the association, he is able to determine what times are best for feeding to obtain the highest possible production. Accurate records are kept of every operation on the farm, and Mr. Ervins considers them absolutely necessary to intelligent farming. His books show that he has been making nearly 8 per cent, on an assessed value of \$100 per acre, during the past eight years.

O. W. Fry, Floydada, Floyd County, depends on wheat for most of his farm income but during the past year sold dairy products, cows, hogs and poultry products for a total of \$1,149. He also received \$1,838 for harvesting neighboring grain crops with a combine. He follows the practice of sowing one-third of his 270 cultivated acres to Kanred wheat, one-third to grain sorghum, and the remaining one-third is left as fallow land for the next crop of wheat. Mr. Fry finds that summer fallowing of land materially increases wheat yield and crop profits. Accurate records are kept on the Fry farm, and one very interesting fact his figures show is that to justify the purchase of a combine, it must be used to harvest at least 750 acres each year. By harvesting crops for neighbors in addition to his own acreage, he is justified in owning a combine.

Idus T. Gillett, Canutillo, El Paso County, owns 350 acres of fertile, irrigated land in the El Paso Valley. Sufficient land is rented to bring the total cultivated to 375 acres. His intelligent operation of this farm business, with a gross income of \$60,000 per year, entitles him to the rank of Master Farmer at the age of 33. Holstein cows, Duroc-Jersey hogs, and 150 acres of alfalfa form the stable basis of his sound farming program. His 100 registered and high-grade cows produce \$2,500 worth of grade A milk each month, and 10 Duroc-Jersey brood sows are responsible for additional checks which average \$300 per month. He plants an average of 100 acres to cotton each year securing 1-2 bales per acre. His strict crop rotation is as follows: alfalfa, two years, followed by cotton which is succeeded by small grain for winter grazing. After heavy manuring of the land, corn follows small grain, and alfalfa is again sowed after corn harvest. Through the liberal acreage sowed to alfalfa and the daily application of manure from the cow barn, hog lots, and poultry house, the soil is improving and crops increasing on the farm.

Henry Jund, Otto, Falls County, owns 95 acres in the black-land section of the state where root rot in cotton has become such a serious problem. His excellent system of crop rotation is not only solving the root rot problem, but is helping conserve soil fertility. Born 58 years ago in Alsace-Lorraine, Mr. Jund has spent 40 years in Falls County where he first settled. He has never had the ambition to own a large acreage, choosing to use good management and intensive methods on a small, productive farm are true cause for admiration on the part of visitors and are a real source of pride to the family. One cannot fail to feel that here is a farmer who has interested himself in making the home and home life attractive, comfortable and beautiful. To Mr. Jund, the farm is not merely a place to make a living but a real home for happy and agreeable family life.

J. P. McGarr, Plainview, Hale County, came to Texas from Iowa 13 years ago. Hard work, correctly applied, enabled him to buy 160 acres of land at the end of six years as a tenant. He leases sufficient land to give him 1,020 cultivated acres. A regular system of crop rotation is followed which includes wheat, cotton grain sorghums and summer fallow. Sheep have been unusually profitable on the McGarr farm and have paid an annual net dividend of 85 per cent on the investment over the past six years. Mr. McGarr sows 40 acres of wheat early in September to provide grazing for 250 sheep until grass pasture comes on in the spring. Each year a different 40 acres constitutes the sheep grazing plot, carrying out nicely the ideas of soil improvement and the protection of sheep against worms, liver flukes, and other parasites. Registered Suffolk rams crossed on high-grade Rambouillet ewes produce lambs that mature for the early market and usually command high prices. The income from lambs and wool was \$2,240 in 1927 and the flock averaged 17 pounds of wool per head this year. Careful attention results in a lamb crop of 100 per cent or better, so it is not difficult to see why the McGarrs believe in sheep.

F. O. Masten, Wellington, Collinsworth County, began mature life as a farm laborer, first working by the day and later at a salary of \$20 per month with board. After three years of salary work, he rented for six years, then invested his savings in 213 acres of good land. This was in 1920 and in the succeeding 8 years this land and 320 additional acres have been paid for and a substantial cash balance besides left in the bank. Hard work and the application of practical ideas to farming are responsible. By using heavy applications of waste burs and notes from local cotton gins his land has been constantly improved. He has averaged 100 bales of cotton on 100 acres for the past five years and is getting 125 bales on 85 acres this year. A comparison with neighboring yields on the same type of land shows that he is getting an extra bale of cotton per acre by applying the burs at a labor cost of \$6 per acre.

J. C. Tate, Waxahachie, Ellis County, owns and operates 408 acres of rich black land. At the age of 67 he is still actively engaged in handling his land and is ready to put new proved practices to work on his farm with youthful enthusiasm. Well kept terraces are preventing erosion and conserving soil moisture on the farm. The practice of sowing grain and forage crops after cotton has helped him in the control of root rot and this disease now gives very little trouble. More than one-third of the 350 acres cultivated is devoted to feed crops which are largely utilized in feeding the dairy cows, hogs, sheep and poultry. A good silo is filled each season to provide succulent winter feed. A pleasing personality, friendly disposition, and an undying enthusiasm constitute and unusual combination of assets for any line of business and Mr. Tate possesses these and more.

Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Terry, of Hermleigh were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Baker.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Prater of Rotan, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Baker Sunday.

W. W. Dozier, of Afton, was in our city Monday taking in bargains offered by Spur merchants.

J. C. Hinson, of Roaring Springs, was transacting business in our city Tuesday.

Rev. and Mrs. H. L. Burman, of White Flat, were visiting friends in our City Tuesday.

Mrs. W. D. Robinson, of Dry Lake, was shopping with our merchants Monday.

R. H. Gambill, of Abilene, is here this week looking after interests pertaining to his store here. Stated that he is well pleased with business in Spur.

Norman Snodgrass, of Lubbock, was a week end guest of friends in our city.

Al Van Dyke, of Lubbock, was visiting friends in our city Wednesday.

Mrs. B. J. Howell of Espuela, who has been confined to her bed on account of influenza and rheumatism is reported improving.

Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Moss received a message Wednesday telling them of the death of their niece, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Bird, of Lakeview, Texas. Mr. and Mrs. Moss left Wednesday afternoon to attend the funeral.

I. J. Hurley, of Dickens, was attending to business matters in our city Monday.

J. M. Robertson, of Highway community, was attending to business matters in our city Monday.

Specials For This Week

Pay Cash and Pay Less

80 x 90 White crinkled bed spreads in a regular \$2.98 now at a special **\$1.98**

Charmeuse Bloomers, Regular at 65c Special at **49c**

Part wool men's ribbed unions in a good quality, specially priced now at **\$1.19**

Nodland Sheets 81 x 90 in regular 98c grade now at only **69c**

Men's cotton ribbed unions, good quality only **89c**

Part Wool Blankets Our regular \$4.95 pair now at a special price of **\$3.85**

Men's Sweaters, very special price for this week.

Gowns Regular \$2.50 for this week only **\$1.75**

Men's leather coats at a very special price for this week.

WE APPRECIATE THE LIBERAL PATRONAGE YOU GAVE US ON OUR OPENING AND ASSURE YOU THAT OUR STOCK WILL BE COMPLETE IN A SHORT TIME.

Barrier Bros., Inc.


Dependable Merchandise



MEET THE OFFICERS OF THIS BANK

They're most approachable—men who through their years of experience have had problems similar to yours. Bear in mind this important fact: No project is so insignificant that it will not be given our consideration.

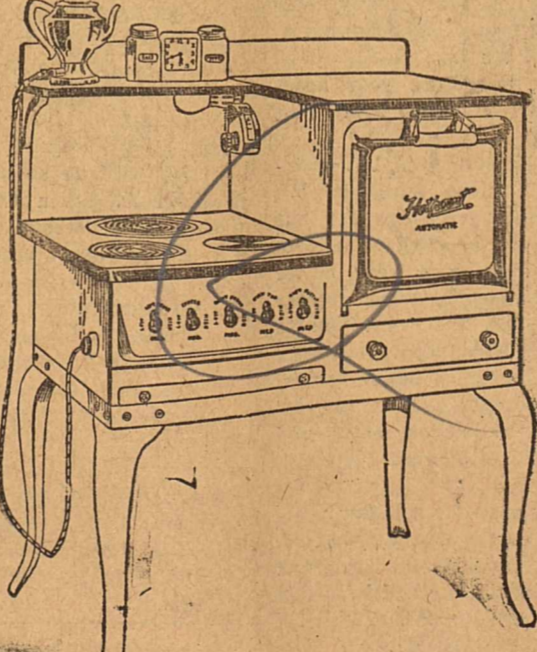
The City National Bank  
Spur, Texas



**You'll Enjoy Cooking on the New Hotpoint Range**

IT IS so easy to prepare your daily meals on the New Hotpoint Electric Range. Everything is conveniently arranged to save time, labor and extra steps.

The automatic temperature control and the automatic electric timer really take the place of a cook. All you do is put your food on the stove—Hotpoint does the rest automatically.



Convenient Terms  
Investigate this wonderful new way of cooking. You are sure to appreciate the many advantages of the new Hotpoint Electric Range

**West Texas Utilities Company**

GIRARD BREEZES

Mr and Mrs. Douglas Graves and family returned Wednesday from Lockney and other parts of the plains where they have been visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Roberts and parents from Marietta Okla., spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Turner and family of Girard.

Messrs. Joe and Leo Turner of Swenson visited with their parents Mr. and Mrs. Joe Turner of Girard.

Mr. and Mrs. Jinks Cooper returned from Cisco and Stephenville Wednesday where they had been visiting Mrs. Coopers parents, Mr. and Mrs. Little of Cisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Roberts of Spur visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe Turner Tuesday.

Mr. Hugh Turner of Flomont, Texas, formerly of Girard visited with his parents Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Renfro from Fort Sumner, N. M., visited Mr. and Mrs. Huls during the Christmas week.

Miss Ione Beavers spent a few days last week with her brother Hubert Beaver of Crosbyton.

Mr. and Mrs. Grover Bennett of White Flat, Texas, and Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Renfro of Rinard, Texas, visited Mr. and Mrs. Huls.

Miss Dottie Simmons entertained a bunch of young folks with a birthday party at the home of her sister, Mrs. Willis. Everyone had a nice time.

Refreshments were served to Misses Lois and Samintha Beaver, Frankie Stephens, Viola Darden, Bonnie Spradling, Idell Cooper, Ruth Phipps, Lorilla Stephens, Grace Phipps, Edith Harwell, Vera McGaha, Irene Boland, and Dottie Simmons.

Messrs. Ralph Stephens, W. A. Prewitt, B. P. Woody, Jackson East, Henry Simmons of Plainview, Melvin Phipps, Ben Boland, Vernon Darden, Levi Simpson, Clayton Simmons, Amos Fincher and George Garrett.

Mr. Bill Foley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Will Foley of Near El Paso, visited with his relatives at Girard this week.

Mr. Will Darden was down from his home at Idalou in search of some one to pull holes for him. Mr. Darden says he is doing his best to come back to Girard. We are hoping he

will have good success.

Mr. John Langford and daughter spent Tuesday and Wednesday of last week with Mr. Langford's sister at Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Lum Davison are now visiting with Mrs. Davison's sister of East Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Red Cooper and family and Miss Mody Cooper visited with Mr. and Mrs. Jinks Cooper and Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Graves during the Christmas holidays.

Miss Francis Hunter of Clairemont visited her cousin, Miss Zaida Bell Waggoner Tuesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Kennon and daughter returned Wednesday from East Texas where they have been visiting with relatives.

Girard High School opened Monday with it's usual work except one who is unable to be in our school the rest of the term.

Girard has the best and the only good school in Kent County. This is due to the faithful work of both teachers and students. We are striving to make our school one of the best in the west.

Girard has for two years held the County Championship in the interscholastic league work. The County Cup has been in Girard for two years and if we keep it again this year it will be in Girard forever.

Stephens and Beaver have moved to the Woody building where they are putting in a Hokus-Pokus Grocery. Every one is glad to see this kind of business in our town.

Girard now has a good Grocery, Hardware, Furniture and drygoods stores, and also a classy drug store and a meat market and a barber shop. But there is one thing which Girard does not have and that is a classy ready-to-wear store.

Dr. and Mrs. Cooper spent Christmas with her mother in Stephenville.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Simpson and mother spent Christmas with relatives in Waco.

DEATH

The people in Girard were made sad Thursday by the death of Miss Lorean Dickerson who died Wednesday the 26th about nine o'clock in the evening with appendicitis. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Dickerson of Girard. She was a graduate nurse of El Paso and was at the time of her death, nursing in that city. We extend to them our sympathy in their hour of bereavement.

—Reporter.

TELEPHONE RATES REDUCED

St. Louis, Mo.,—Dec. 31. —Another reduction in day long distance telephone rates between points approximately 130 miles to 1500 miles apart will become effective Feb. 1, it was announced today by E. D. Nims, President of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company. The new schedule, which is the third rate reduction in a little over two years, will cut from \$.05 to \$.25 off of charges for pay station to station calls within the distance specified. Equivalent rate reduction will be unchanged. This reduction which is country-wide will mean an annual saving to telephone users of the Nation of more than \$5,000,000.00, according to the estimates of the Bell operating companies based on the public use of Telephone facilities, between cities, Nims said. "In the Southwestern Missouri, Kansas, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas, the new schedule means a reduction of more than a three quarters of a million dollars a year. This is the second substantial saving offered by the Bell system in slightly more than a year. It is in

—Reporter.

keeping with the Bell system's announced policy of furnishing the best possible service at the lowest cost consistent with financial safety.

The previous rate reduction that followed this definition of policy, became effective Dec. 1, 1927 on calls longer than 450 and saved the telephone using public more than \$1,500,000 in 1928. The reduction that immediately preceded this one became effective Oct. 1, 1926 and represented an annual saving to the public of \$3,000,000.

One feature of the February first rate schedule of special interest to telephone users is the elimination of higher rates for appointments and messenger calls which will hereafter be provided at regular person to person rates.

Several influences have made possible the increasing reliance of the public upon the telephone for business and social communication between distant points, which has undoubtedly been stimulated by the continuous improvement that has been made in the speed with which out of town calls have been handled.

Approximately \$280,000 a year will be saved to the long distance telephone users of Texas under the new rates it was estimated by the Southwestern Bell Company.

UTILITIES COMPANY SETS NEW RECORD

ABILENE, Texas, Dec. 30. —Electrification of 75 oil wells in ten days is the record hung up by the West Texas Utilities Company in the Put-

nam Field, Callahan County, according to a report received today from R. A. Williams, district commercial manager, with headquarters at Cisco. This is believed to be a record for oil field electrification. These wells were connected up with the company's 13,000 volt transmission lines and the oil is pumped from the leases to pickup tanks. There are now approximately 300 electrified oil wells in the Putnam field.

There are now more than 2,000 wells on the properties of the West Texas Utilities Company using electricity exclusively for drilling and pumping oil, according to a report compiled in the general offices here.

Electrified fields on the company properties are located in Callahan, ton, Coleman, Jones, Fisher, Wilbarger, Haskell, Crane Upton, Reagan, Irion, Pecos, and Crockett Counties.

DEDICATES FLAG POLES

With three squadrons of war planes from Mines field circling overhead and cannons saluting the Flag of the United States of America and the California Bear Flag rose to the tops of the new 70 foot flag poles in front of the City Hall of Pasadena, California recently. The flag pole dedication services were in charge of the Pasadena Boy Scouts, assisted by the American Legion Drum and Bugle Corps and the Pasadena Firemans Band.

City Director, N. J. Shipe, head of the committee which purchased the flags, turned the entire arrangement of the program over to the Scouts with the belief that it would foster

patriotism in the younger generation. Invocation was pronounced by Eagle Scout William Humanson, followed by a short talk by Clayton R. Taylor, Chairman of the Board of City Directors.

Eagle Scout Ernest Howard delivered the principle address. Speaking into the microphone before a large audience without a trace of embar-

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LODGES

SPUR LODGE No. 771 I. O. O. F. Meets every Monday night. Visitors welcome. A. C. BURGESSON, N. G. H. P. BERRY, Sec.

SPUR COUNCIL No. 277 Royal and Select Masters Meeting when called. A. L. McCLELLAND, T. I. M. J. RECTOR, Recorder

Stated Meeting of SPUR CHAPTER No. 340 R. A. M. Monday night on or after each full moon. Visitors welcome. M. E. TREE, H. P. J. RECTOR, Sec.

Stated Conclave of Spur Commandery No. 76 K. T. Second Tuesday in each month. Visiting Sir Knights welcome. T. C. ENSEY, Com. J. RECTOR, Recorder

SPUR REBEKAH LODGE No. 178 Meets each Friday night. Members be present. Visitors welcome. MRS. A. C. BURGESSON, N. G. MRS. T. A. ROGERS, Sec.

ROTARY CLUB OF SPUR Meets every Thursday at 12 o'clock at Spur Inn. Visiting Rotarians welcome. GEORGE LINK, Pres. DODGE STARCHER, Sec.

Stated Meeting of SPUR LODGE No. 1023 A. F. & A. M. Thursday night on or before each full moon. Visitors welcome. C. J. CROUCH, W. M. W. R. KING, Secy.

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Precinct 4, Charlie Perrin.

**MISS NELLIE GOFF WEDS**  
MR. J. SHELBY CLAY

A wedding of city wide interest took place on Sunday afternoon, December 23, when Miss Nellie Goff became the bride of Mr. Joe Shelby Clay.

The wedding was at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Clay, the groom's parents. The Reverend A. G. Abbott read the impressive ring ceremony.

Miss Annie Mae Hale attended the bride while Mr. Hubert Karr acted as best man for the groom.

Mrs. Clay is the youngest daughter of Mr. Frank Goff and has many friends here. She is a graduate of Spur High School, having an excellent record to her credit.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Clay of Spur, who have resided in Spur for quite a number of years and who are highly respected by the host of people who know them. Mr. and Mrs. Clay will be home to

their friends after a few day in the Gilmore Apartments in West Spur.

**MISS MABEL KING, HOSTESS**

Miss Mabel King was a charming hostess on last Friday evening to a number of her friends.

Dancing and bridge was the diversion for the evening. Lovely refreshments were served and an attractive plate favor was given to each guest.

Those enjoying the occasion were: Misses Elise Brothers of Quannah, Texas, Mary Elizabeth Hogan, Ruth Anderson, Harvey Gideon, Henry Albin, James Hill Perry and the hostess.

**LEAGUE PARTY**

The Senior Epworth League of the Methodist church entertained last Thursday evening in the basement of the church, honoring the college students who are home for the holidays.

The church was attractively decorated, carrying out the New Year motif. Various games were played and contests held for the entertainment of the guests.

Lovely refreshments of hot chocolate sandwiches, olives, potato chips and cake were served to the following Misses: Annie Mae Hale, Lena Snodgrass, Charlie Hayes, Lilla Mae Ince, Gladys Smith of Wellington, Texas, Rena Collier, Edith Ince, Nellie Ham, Dorothy Carson, Robbie Lee Abernathy, Mary Elizabeth Hogan, Elise Brothers of Quannah, Mrs. Velma Parks, Messers, Horton Barrett, Spenser Browning, Harvey Gideon, Enoch Pendleton, Willi Gideon, Leland Wilson, James Hill Perry, Crate Snider, Lee Snodgrass, the Reverend and Mrs. Vaughn.

**MR. AND MRS. ORWIN LAMBERT ENTERTAIN WITH A CHRISTMAS DINNER**

On Christmas Day, Mr. and Mrs. Orwin Lambert most delightfully entertained quite a number of their friends with a turkey dinner at their

home on Pitchfork Ranch.

A delicious menu was served and the occasion was a very happy one for those present, who were, Messers and Mmes, James B. Reed, and children, W. A. Chalk, H. B. Johnson, Fred Harrison, Morley Dulaney, Chas Wilbanks, T. S. Lambert, and the Rev. and Mrs. Rodgers, and children Misses Rachel Langston, Eunice Vermillion, Lavina Conklin, Messers, Collie Ramsey, Billie Morris, Leroy Anderson, Richard Johnson, Wade Hash and Riley Thacker.

**MRS. JACK RECTOR HOSTESS**

Members of the Joi de Voi Club were most delightfully entertained by Mrs. Jack Rector on Thursday evening, December 18.

The entertainment was in the form of a Christmas party, the rooms being in festive array for the happy occasion. Mistletoe, holly and miniatures of Old Saint Nick, placed here and there. A Christmas tree was beautifully dressed, from which hung numerous presents.

Several games of bridge were played but about nine o'clock an abrupt interruption occurred when Santa Claus appeared in person. He was very generous in presenting each one present with several gifts. After the departure of old Santa, the guests resumed their places and were served with lovely refreshments.

The following enjoyed Mrs. Rector's hospitality: Mmes, A. C. Hull, Willis King, Edwin Ripley, J. O. Smith, D. H. Zachry, Charlie Powell, W. E. Flint, Cecil Hicks, Floyd Barnett, Cecil Fox, W. M. Manning, Weldon McClure, Horace Hyatt, C. B. Jones, Jim Edd Hall, Hubert Wester.

**JOI de VOI CLUB**

Mrs. D. H. Zachry entertained the members of the Joi de Voi Club and others on Friday morning, complimenting Miss Clara Zachry of Jefferson, Texas who has been her guest during the holidays.

After several games of bridge Mrs. Weldon McClure was presented with high prize for the club while Mrs. Mac Watson held high score for the guests, and the honor guest received a box of dainty linen handkerchiefs.

A salad course was served at the conclusion of the games to the following Mmes: Cecil Fox, Jack Rector, Wilson King, Murray Lea, Jr., H. P. Schrimsher, Mac Watson, S. B. Scott Jr., Weldon McClure, E. L. Tanner, Edwin Ripley, James O. Smith ough, Misses Ella Mae Hogan, Jane Douglas Wilson and the honoree.

**XX CENTURY STUDY CLUB**

The XX Century Study Club meets Jan. 9, 1929, 3:30 P. M.  
Place—Mrs. E. S. Lee.  
Leader—Mrs. Barrett.

Influences of Some Characters in the Pulpit—Mrs. E. J. Cowan.

The Philosophy of Emerson—Section 6—Page 315—Mrs. Leslie Roberts.

Mary Washington—Mrs. W. S. Campbell.

Julia Ward Howe and Mary A. Livermore—Section 6 304—Mrs. Crockett.

Paper—Mrs. Malone.

Paper—Mrs. P. C. Nichols.

Music—Battle Hymn of the Republic—Mrs. Busby.

The Club wishes to thank all who have sent in donations to help with the work that is being done on the Grammar School Grounds. We have the following names to report. This brings the money we have collected to \$191.55.

W. F. Godfrey, \$5—Birl Hight \$1. A. Hefner \$2.00 J. J. South \$2.00 Otho Hale \$2.00 Mrs. Cal Martin \$1. Leland Campbell \$1.00 Fernando Rodriguez \$1.00 W. B. Lee \$10.00 and H. O. Albin \$5.00

**SINGING CONVENTION NOTICE!**

We take pleasure in announcing our Singing Convention which will convene at McAdoo on the second Sun-

day in January, which will be Sunday week. We have secured the new high school building and feel like we have the best place in the county for our convention. We also have arranged for a Stamps quartet and we know they will make it worth your while to go.

Why not come on and lets start the New Year off singing and we will sing all the year and life will be brighter.

We feel like some people have the wrong idea about our conventions and the songs we use at our conventions.

We admit the songs are some faster than they were twenty years ago but if you will notice they have just as good a meaning as the slow songs and are all written with some good intentions and if we will watch the words but try no doubt we will change our minds. We know the old songs are fine and we still love them and they will be here when the new ones are forgotten but we must have a change in our songs as well as every thing else. We must remember we use to go to church in our buggies and wagons but we have a better way of going and we no longer use our buggies so lets keep up with the times and try to get use to the new to the new songs as well as the other new things we see every day. So if you love music and have a voice you should use it to the Glory of God as he is the one who gave it and

we should not waste our voice on some rotten music that is not fit for the upbuilding of God's Kingdom. Yours "Jack."

**TOCHAS' MISSIONARY SOCIETY**

New Year's Eve, Mrs. Otto Mott entertained the Tochas' Missionary Society at her home.

After an evening of fun refreshments were served and then everyone attended the midnight matinee at the Lyric.

Those enjoying Mrs. Mott's hospitality were: Lavada McClung, Dorothy Hisey, Addie Faye Boothe, Edith Tuce, Louise Rogers, Lilla Mae Ince, Babel King, Charlie Hayes, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Parks.

**BAKER—WALLACE**

Mr. Ekron Wallace, of Dickens and Miss Rebecca Baker, north of Spur were married at the court house last Monday afternoon. Rev. C. W. Parmenter spoke the words which legally united them husband and wife. Mr. and Mrs. Wallace will make their home on the Wallace Place near Dickens.

**W. G. MARRS PASSES AWAY**

W. G. Marrs, a resident of Elton, died at the state hospital at Wichita

Falls of Broncho-Pneumonia last Sunday. The body was prepared and shipped to Roaring Springs by Express where it was received by Cambell Undertaking Ambulance, Monday It was conveyed to Afton where funeral services were conducted at three o'clock Monday afternoon. Interment was made in Afton Cemetery.

Miss Minnie Lee Meek of McAdoo was shopping in our city Monday.

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**SPUR POULTRY FARM AND HATCHERY**

The Spur Poultry Farm and Hatchery has been purchased by Herbert E. Hamns, formerly of Rule, Haskell, County, Texas.

We believe this will be the first time in the history of the plant where the owner is the active manager and one that will take an active part in the improvement and sanitation of the farm and by the end of this week the farm will be thoroughly cleaned up and disinfected, ready for your inspection.

We are going to take an active interest in each individuals enterprises and the poultry industry as a whole. To make it a paying and profitable business for the full time farmer or for a side line for the farmer and city folk, who only want a few chickens for home use.

From time to time I am going to offer prizes on winners at the shows, best managed and sanitary flocks, for boys and girls club work, and any other thing thought advisable by the Chamber of Commerce, Banks, Poultry Association, and other poultry leaders. There will be such prizes as money, baby chicks, custom hatching, hatching eggs, poultry supplies, pedigree breeding cockerels and many other things well worth your interest, as well as building up the poultry industry in this country.

I am for the Poultry Association just organized a few weeks ago.  
Ask the Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, or the County Agent about it.

We are starting our incubators Monday January 7.  
Bring your eggs Saturday or Monday. Trays holding from 112 to 122 eggs each. For your convenience we are also going to accept a half a tray for the first few weeks only.

We are installing a new ALL ELECTRIC BUCKEYE INCUBATOR with a capacity of 16128 eggs. This will make our total capacity 32356 eggs.

We will set a few eggs for you on the halves for the first three weeks. If you should want them later you should make arrangements NOW.

We will also be in the market for about 4,000, good hatching eggs, will pay above market prices for these eggs but must be well taken care of.

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For those who set eggs, buy poultry supplies, or put in their orders for baby chicks, will be given free a subscription to the best poultry Journal obtainable or "your breed book" tells all about the breed of chickens you keep. These Journals and books are published by our best poultry publishing companies

They will be given as follows.  
1 or 2 custom trays 1 year subscription to the Poultry Item.  
3 Custom trays...3 year subscription to the Poultry Item.  
4 or more trays...3 year subscription to the Poultry Item and "Your Breed Book."

Also the same money value on poultry supplies and orders for baby chicks.

This is solely for the purpose of putting good reading material in the hands of poultry fanciers of this country for the up building of the poultry cause.

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Blackberries—Concho No. 2 can	13c
BEANS,—WAPCO GREEN NO. 2 CAN	13c
Soup—Van Camps Tomato Per Can	08c
MILK—WHITE SWAN BABY	05c
Peanut Butter Armours Veribest 16 oz. Glass	21c
Syrup—Log Cabin, Large Size	99c
Soap—Big Four Naptha, 5 bars	18c
MATCHES—BEST GRADE 6 BOXES	15c
MEAL—24 lb BAG	65c

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**WANT ADS**

**FOR SALE**—2 well improved farms east of Spur to sell. For price and terms write or phone. J. E. Sanders, 1233 Palm St. Abilene, Texas, Phone No. 6430. 205 tn.

**FOR SALE**—Delco Light plant model 778 automatic, has only been used 6 months, big bargain. See Robt. Reynolds, Dickens, Texas. 3-tp.

**FOR SALE**—A complete four house farming outfit. See Robert Reynolds, Dickens, Texas. 212-3tp.

**FOR SALE**—Stock turkeys, seven Toms from a State Fair Prize winning bird. See or write E. C. Robertson, 3 miles north McAdoo. 212-2p.

**FOR SALE OR TRADE**—1926 Ford truck, also some Jersey cows fresh. See B. J. Howell at Clapp Place. 212-4p.

**WANTED**—Well matured maize as trade for poultry supplies, custom hatching, or orders on baby chicks—Spur Poultry farm & Hatchery. 2ex.

**WANTED**—To sell house and lot in Corpus Christi, or trade for western property—Dickens County Times

**COURT DECISION IN UTILITIES VS. CITY**  
(continued from front page)

electric light and power plant in the City of Spur for approximately seven years without a franchise. For this reason defendants challenge the right of plaintiff to use its streets and alleys for any purpose, until plaintiff applies for and is granted a franchise by defendant. Plaintiff relies, for its right to use of the streets of Spur, first, upon reservation made in a dedication deed and later confirmed in plaintiff, second, by virtue of long continued use of plaintiff and its predecessors of defendant's streets and alleys for the erection of its pole's and wires without interference by, and with its acquiescence and consent.

It appears that a Townsite Company by the name of Stamford & Northwestern Town Site Company, about the year of 1911, laid out the town of Spur, with maps and plats which were duly recorded, and that at said time it made a dedication deed of the streets of said town to be used for public purposes, and in said deed reserved for itself the right to establish water, light and telephone companies, and in connection with light companies reserved the right to

construct, erect and maintain electric light poles in, upon, across and over all streets in the City of Spur.

Thereafter it appears that Spur for a time remained a town, and was later incorporated and finally, I do not recall the year, it changed its name to the City of Spur. It then availed itself by acceptance of the benefits accorded to cities of its class, of the power and privileges granted under Chapters 1 to 13 inclusive, Title 22, Revised Statutes of Texas, 1911, which Statutes conferred upon it absolute control of its streets and alleys for general purposes, and the power to regulate rates to be charged, with certain limitations, by such companies as plaintiff, in using its streets and alleys for distribution of light and power for domestic and commercial uses, and in addition the power to regulate the manner of the use by such companies of its streets and alleys.

The townsite company granted it right in the matter of establishing a light plant, to Johnson and White, and a plant was established by them and the business conducted for a number of years and then by means conveyances same was transferred to plaintiff's immediate predecessors in title, who made extensive improvements, and later in the early part of 1927 said plant and all of its appurtenances and rights in connection therewith were duly conveyed to plaintiff, and altogether for a period of approximately seventeen years these individuals and companies have used the streets and alleys of Spur, without consulting it, openly and notoriously, without interference on its part, and with its acquiescence.

The reservation of a right to construct, erect and maintain electric light poles in, across and over all streets in Spur made by the Stamford & Northwestern Town Site Company in its deed dedicating the streets of said town to public use and later confirmed by conveyance in plaintiff, under the circumstances presented here, are of no force and are invalid, as being inconsistent with the purpose of the dedication so made and the enforcement of such reservations would be contrary to public policy.

On the other hand, plaintiff and its predecessors, by long continued use of the streets and alleys of the City of Spur, with its knowledge and acquiescence, has given consent and such course of dealing, amounting to a license, has vested in plaintiff the right to a reasonable use of such streets and alleys for the distribution of electric light and power to the city

of Spur, but certainly by such process it has not acquired a greater right in this regard than if it had a franchise from the defendant. Therefore, in such use of its streets, is subject to a reasonable exercise of the governmental power bestowed upon the City of Spur by statutes in the matter of direction and regulation of the use of its streets by similar utilities.

The Criminal Ordinance passed by the City of Spur providing and making criminal such use of its streets by plaintiff, unless a franchise was procured, was therefore violative of plaintiff's rights under the Constitution, since the enforcement of same would have the effect to deprive plaintiff of its property without due process of law.

The prayer of the plaintiff, therefore, for an injunction to restrain the City of Spur in the enforcement of such ordinance and from interfering with plaintiff's use of its streets, will be granted, but same shall be so drawn as to protect the rights of the City of Spur as heretofore indicated as to the right of reasonable regulatory supervision of such use of its streets and alleys by plaintiff.

The plaintiff prays that defendant be enjoined from carrying out or enforcing the contracts between the City of Spur and the patrons of its proposed municipally owned light plant, such contracts being such patrons to take electrical energy from said City plant exclusively for a period of five years, and whereby the City is obligated to furnish same for such a period at a certain fixed rate. This prayer of plaintiff will be denied.

As to this issue plaintiff alleges that the defendants, City of Spur, its officers and agents, and the Fairbanks, Morse Company, solicited and procured 85 per cent of its customers to enter into such exclusive contracts and that such course of dealing, on the part of the defendants, constituted a conspiracy to create a monopoly in the light business in Spur, and was in unlawful restraint of trade and violative of the anti trust laws of Texas.

The manner of procuring such contracts was substantially established as alleged by plaintiff, and the evidence discloses that there was such concerted action by the parties named with a view to creating a monopoly in the light business in Spur, but the evidence does not disclose that the monopoly to be created was in behalf of Fairbanks, Morse & Company, or in behalf of any of the defendants other than the City of Spur.

Such contracts so procured and entered into by the City of Spur with proposed patrons are not illegal, as being in unlawful restraint of trade, and do not violate the anti trust laws of Texas, for the reason that such a city, in the act of creating a monopoly for itself, in the light business, is not amenable to such Statutes? It follows that neither in soliciting or procuring such contracts, nor in the steps disclosed to have been taken by the City of Spur, looking to the establishment and success of its plant, nor in the negotiations with Fairbank, Morse & Company and its agents, was it guilty of entering into the alleged unlawful conspiracy, for the reason the purpose to be accomplished appears to have been lawful, as well as the means used to accomplish it. It must be kept in mind that a City, in such circumstances, as an arm of the State, may take over and exercise powers in its governmental capacity it could not delegate to persons or private corporation, and which if exercised by persons or private corporations, would be unlawful, as plaintiff alleges.

(To Be Continued Next Week)

Miss Georgia Donaldson, who has been with the West Texas Utilities Company here for some weeks, left Tuesday for Stamford where she will be in the company offices there. Miss Ernestine Weatherford is in the office here now.

Mrs. Katy Conaster of the Wilson Draw School, was in Spur the last of this week.

**GIRARD BREEZES**

Christmas is over, another New Year is at hand and only one wedding to report. Mr. Louis Murdoch and Miss Edna Bowen, who were married last week. We wish them all kinds of joy.

Mrs. Calvin Dickerson was called to the bedside of her daughter, Lorene, a student nurse in an El Paso hospital, Wednesday, but her daughter died before Mrs. Dickerson arrived. The body was shipped here and was laid to rest in the Girard Cemetery Friday. Lorene has many friends here to mourn her death.

She had been operated on for appendicitis and seemed to be doing nicely until Christmas Day when she grew worse and the everything that skilled doctors and nurses could do was done it was to no avail. God said "Come, I have need of thee" and tho it leaves behind broken hearts of father and mother, sisters and brothers, she had to go. We should not want to think of her as dead and buried from our sight, for she has gone on a journey to a Beautiful land where there is no sickness and sorrow and Death and tho she cannot return we can go to her. All Girard sympathize with the bereaved ones.

The five month old baby of Mr. and Mrs. George Ross was buried at Girard Sunday afternoon. The baby seemed to be as well as could be on retiring Saturday night. The young parents were awakened by the sound of it strangling and choking Sunday morning, and it lived only a few minutes. We can sympathize with

the parents in the loss of their only child and tho no mere words can ever help to heal their aching hearts we would ask them to remember that their little one budded on earth to bloom in Heaven, and that their baby is with Jesus who said "Suffer little children to come unto me and forbid them not, for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven."

Mrs. Otha Vincent is on the sick list this week and we hope to report her entirely recovered soon.

School started again Monday all teachers on their job except Mr. Davis, our English and Spanish instructor who has left us for a position in the Stamford School. We regret losing Mr. Davis, but money talks in these days and we wish him success in his new school.

Frank Gregory spent Saturday night with Sam Morrison.

Mr. L. B. Ingram and family spent the holidays with relatives at O'Donnel.

The Church of God certainly put on a good Christmas program. We know for we were there and enjoyed it every bit.

Rolly Beavers our mail carrier says he is awfully glad that Christmas comes but once a year. We think Santa Claus must have passed him by this year or he wouldn't say such a thing. We wish some smart guy would rearrange the days of the New year. Sunday, payday, and Christmas, what's the use of so many useless days anyhow.

Prof. and Mrs. Kennon spent the holidays with Mrs. Kennon's parents in Erath County.

Jim Koontz is riding around in a New Ford that Santa Claus brought him.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilmore of Lubbock have returned to their home after several days visit with relatives at Girard.

We are beginning to wonder if it will ever rain again. Although we like West Texas people best we'd like some of the East Texas rains right now.

R. K. Caraway of Artesia, N. M., is keeping his brother E. L. on the looks all tired out you may know the reason.

James Hill Perry left Tuesday for Dallas to continue his work in S. M. U. after spending the holidays with his parents here.

Miss Rachel Langston left Tuesday for Abilene where she will resume her work in Simmons University after spending the holidays with her parents here.

Sam T. Clemmons left the first of the week for A & M College where he will continue his work as a student.

W. B. Lee Jr. left the first of the week for College Station where he will continue his studies at the A & M College after enjoying the holidays with his father.

Cleo Hazel left Wednesday for Abilene where he is a student in Simmons University, after spending the holidays with his parents.

Miss Beulah Copeland left this week for Abilene to continue her work in college after spending the holidays with her parents.

**To Our Friends:-**

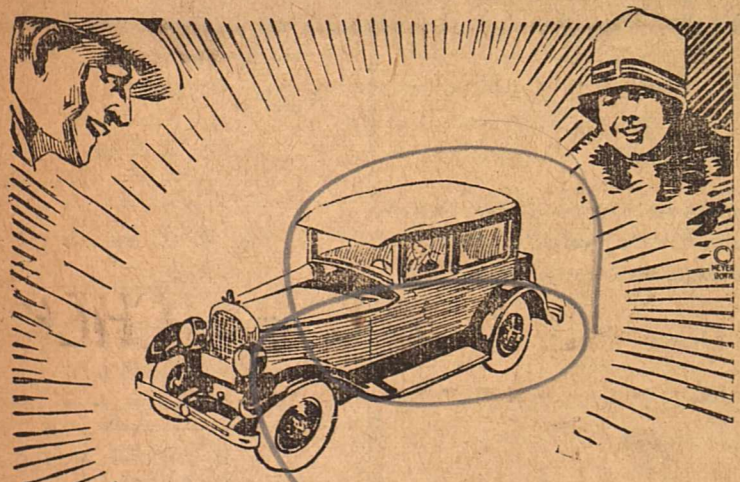
We want to thank all of you who have helped to make our business good the past year. It is wonderful to know you can depend on your friends, and we appreciate our friends more than we can tell.

During the past year we have tried to furnish you the best things to eat, cooked in the best way we knew. We hope all of you are healthful and happy over it. We used the most improved methods available and in so doing, try to keep the health of our people the paramount principle in view. We have tried to save the housewives the worry of cooking good cakes, pies, cookies, bread, hot rolls and many others. We know our efforts were not in vain for they have bought them from us and smiled at knowing they could get them here.

During the next year we expect to render you better service, give you better cakes, cookies, pies, bread, etc., if possible and fix them just as you like them. We feel we have become handy to you since you can run in and get these things just when you want them. We want you to keep coming and let's smile and help each other through the year.

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## Col Penick Addresses Poultry Raisers

One of the great treats to the poultry farmers of this section, was an address delivered to them by Col. R. L. Penick, of Stamford, last Saturday morning. Col. Penick is one of the best informed men in the Southwest relative to the poultry business, and the information he gave the farmers of this country was of a very practical nature.

In speaking on the subject of poultry he stated that there was a great unnecessary loss by vermin. "This is a result of neglect and can be easily overcome if proper means are followed out," he said. He then went into the industry as conducted in other states. He told the people that in California they raise poultry where the land costs from one thousand to three thousand dollars per acre. These people ship thousands of carloads of grain from West Texas to California, feed it to their chickens and make money at the business. In return the people of West Texas buy eggs from California. "Right now," he said, "They are buying maize on the Plains to be shipped to California to feed chickens. One year there were 600 cars of maize shipped from Amarillo to California, then the chickens raisers produced eggs and shipped them back to Texas to pay for the feed."

Col. Penick then told of many instances where farmers had made a success of the business by adding poultry to the farm program. He stated that it went hand in hand with the dairy business where farmers sell cream to creameries. Missouri is the best balanced farming state in the union and those farmers have more chickens on average to a farm than any other state. In speaking of the number to each farm Col. Penick said, "In this country I would advocate from 250 to 500 good hens to each farm. 300 hens should produce at least three cases of eggs per week. Counting these at \$6.00 per case would be \$18.00 per week. There are times when eggs sell at thirty, forty and even fifty cents per dozen." He then stated that Texas presents an ideal condition for the poultry business.

He then spoke of the under estimate people place on the business. He told how this country was better ten or twelve years ago for poultry than it is now. He stated the reason was that 25-cent cotton caused farmers to leave off these side issues and depend on buying his eggs, bacon, black eyed peas, etc., at the grocery store and pay for them with cotton money. But cotton prices have proven very uncertain, and the farmers would buy a few chickens to pull himself out during low cotton prices, then give up when cotton went back up. But when cotton went down again, the farmer had to restock with chickens to get out again. He then said, "Petaluma, California, is ten miles square, one-ninth the size of an ordinary Texas county. Yet, last year Petaluma produced \$10,000,000.00 in eggs. Jones County, which is one of the banner West Texas counties, last year produced \$6,000,000.00 in cotton and Jones County is nine times as large as Petaluma." It seems that Petaluma made one and two-third times as much money as Jones County with one-ninth the area.

Col. Penick then complimented the poultry show at Spur and stated there were some fine birds exhibited. He said he hoped it would be several times as large by next year. He then went into the marketing problem, stating that marketing caused more discontent than any other one thing. He mentioned that farmers had done nothing to place a staple product on the market. Farmers gathered up all the eggs regardless of whether they were good ones or not and sold them. They seemed to get as much for rotten eggs as they did for good ones, but this did not help stabilize the markets. He gave an account of the marketing association in Jones County. He said, "Farmers have joined together there and signed a contract that they would produce nothing but good 'infertile' eggs from May 1st on during the year. These farmers have numbers and stamp these eggs with their number, and by this method the association knows who is selling the eggs. We shipped the first car of infertile eggs in June that had ever been shipped from West Texas. A week later we shipped our second car, and this car contained all white eggs. These eggs went out and the purchasers gave back a very favorable report." He then told that each member of the association disposes of his roosters on the first of May each year. By the 15th of that month they can begin selling eggs as infertile eggs. He brought out the fact that by selling as an association farmers were receiving from 5-cents to

8-cents per pound more for chickens than the regular market was paying. They were getting an average of 5-cents per dozen more for eggs than the regular market paid. All eggs are graded. The farmers wives use the smaller eggs at home and the high grade eggs go on the market.

In speaking of the value of infertile eggs he gave an account of the West Texas motowade last summer. It required from 100 to 150 eggs per day for the number on the trip. Col. Penick had charge of the "chuck" wagon and stated he usually assisted by breaking eggs himself. The Jones County Association furnished the eggs and he usually broke them in a large pan in a bulk. He was asked why he took such a chance and remarked, "I know my eggs." He stated that out of ninety dozens he found only three bad ones. It will be remembered that it was very hot weather during this motowade, and he stated that he knew some of the eggs were 13 days old. He had no refrigerator system, and yet the eggs remained in good condition even at 13 days old and during hot weather.

Col. Penick then requested the farmers to get into practice of disposing of the roosters in the spring after breeding time, to produce good eggs for the market, and as soon as production would justify to organize a marketing association and make money in the poultry business.

### GIRARD NEWS

C. T. Howell, from Flomont, Texas visited in Girard last week. Mr. and Mrs. Ben Spradlin and family motored to Flomont Sunday where they visited their daughter, Mrs. Cecil Thompson. Flomont has attracted several of the Girard people. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson are making their home there and Hugh Turner and George Spradlin are the business heads of the only drug store in Flomont.

Lloyd Womack visited friends and relatives in Washington, Oklahoma, last week.

Clarence Phipps has gone to San Antonio where he is visiting with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Davie Graves from Dallas visited with her mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Harper, of Girard.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Turner returned from their Christmas vacation at Ranger where they have been visiting with Raymond's father.

Miss Alta Turner returned last week from Ranger where she has been visiting with relatives.

B. P. Woody has been very sick but is now showing great improvement.

Miss Vera Rucker has been sick but is now some better.

Mr. Mat Darden is now making preparation to move to Abilene where he will make his home. We are sorry to see a man like Mr. Darden leave our country but we hope him the best of success at his new home in Abilene.

Vernon Darden visited with his mother and sister at Abilene Christmas.

Henry Simmons has returned to Plainview where he is going to Wayland College.

T. V. Shockley, of Soldier Mound, was attending to business affairs here Tuesday.

### FARM NOTES By E. L. TANNER, COUNTY AGENT HOW TO GET YOUR TERRACING DONE

Terracing is the big thing among the farmers of Dickens County at the present time. Not every farmer is going to terrace by a lot. But every farmer in the county is watching and is going to find out how much there is to this thing of terracing. If it is what it is cracked up to be he is going to try it—some day—when he can get to it. Well when the day comes here is the way to get to it.

Terracing schools are being given all over the county in which men are being trained to run lines. Two things are essential before a man can run lines. First he must know how to run a level accurately. And by accurately I mean that he must actually take all the screws out of a level and put them back under the eye of a competent instructor. The level must be in as good shape when he gets thru with it as it was when it left the factory. He must actually run lines with it under the eye of a competent instructor. When he has done this and passed all the oral examinations which the instructor gives he is qualified to run a level. But he is not yet ready to terrace. He must know how to place his lines correctly. In short terrace lines might be run very accurately and yet if they were not placed in the correct place they are worse than worthless. They are a liability. A man must learn how to go into a field and give it the once over, so to speak, and then know where to start. This first line is called the key terrace. Once this key terrace is placed correctly the other lines fall into their correct places. The above things are learned at a two day terracing school. The business of the A & M College is first to place demonstrations in a county and prove to the people, or at least a number of people that they need terracing. This creates a demand for the work. The next business of the college is to train as many men in that county to run lines and to get as many farm levels into the county as can be done. In Dickens County we are in this second phase of the Extension problem or the training phase. If you intend doing terracing this winter remember that you can attend a two day school and learn or else you can get one of the trained men to run your lines for you. A list of these trained men will be furnished by the county agent to all who wish it.

When you run your lines, the first thing to do is to permanently mark your lines by driving a stake under the fence at the ends of each line. When you have done this the next thing to do is to lay off your rows with the terrace lines and list your land. In short do not attempt to put a terrace until you are ready to plant. Thus your field will just be a contoured field. By contoured is meant that every row is run on a level and is really a trough and will hold water from end to end after a rain. It does not matter how steep the hill, it will hold all of a two inch rain when it is deeply listed that way. Then when you are ready to plant you have from then to planting time to do your terracing.

Start on the top line which can be found by going down the fence row and finding the stake where the row came out. REMEMBER THE TERRACES MUST BE BUILT ON THE EXACT ROW WHERE YOU RAN THE LINE WITH THE LEVEL. When you have found this row complete the terrace freso work and all and then go to the next one below. You will not, in all probability finish putting up the the terraces on more than a third of your place this year. However you have the advantage of contoured land which after all saves the water where it falls and is the money maker.

**NOTICE OF SALE**  
The Board of Trustees of McAdoo Independent School District, Dickens County, Texas, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder at McAdoo, Texas, on Saturday, January 5, 1929, the following described property:

One frame school building containing five rooms.  
This building will be sold as a whole or in sections to suit the purchaser, but said purchaser will be expected to remove the property from the school premises within a reasonable time.

The Board of Trustees reserve the right to either accept or reject any and all bids as they think it is best to the interest of McAdoo Independent School District.

Done by action of the Board of Trustees at their meeting at McAdoo December 17, A. D. 1928.

N. V. CYPERT,  
President Board of Trustees.  
Correct Attest:  
CHAS. McLAUGHLIN,  
Secretary Board of Trustees.

G. F. Harris, of McAdoo, was getting friends on our streets Tuesday.

### BUY FARM NEAR SPUR

Eugene Rasco, of Croton community, and Birl Hight purchased the Wilson half section about four miles northeast of Spur last week. The transaction was closed by Maple Wilson who had the power of attorney for his mother who owned the land. We understand that Mr. Rasco will take charge of the place soon and raise a crop there this next year.

F. L. French, who owned a nice little farm just across the river, sold it to Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Cox, of Paducah, last week. It will be remembered that Mr. Cox moved to Cottle County from here just a short time ago. They will move back to Spur within a few weeks.

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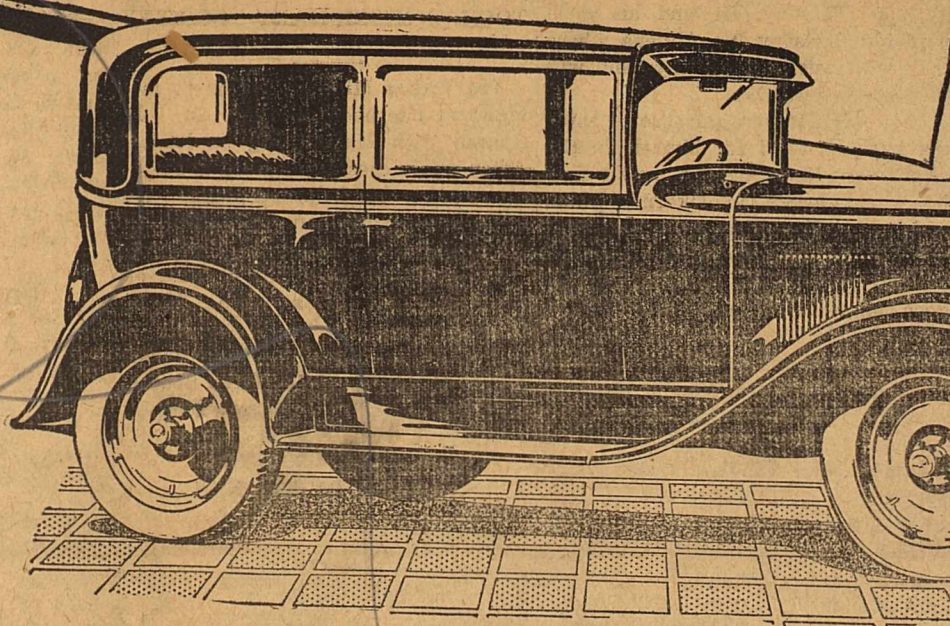
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#### RESIGNS PLACE; WILL ENTER BUSINESS FIELD

Lester G. Harris, who has been local manager for Gambill's Store here, tendered his resignation to the Abilene Office last week to become effective January 1. The resignation was accepted and Mr. Harris severed his connection with the firm at noon Tuesday. He and his good wife left Tuesday for Abilene where they will visit a few days and will then go on into Okla.

It is Mr. Harris' purpose to enter the business field for himself in the near future. He stated that he thought he would locate in Okeene, Okla., which is a fine little town and does not have a business of the type he wishes to establish. He will make good since he knows the line in which he expects to engage. He was making a fine success of the Gambill Store here and he and his wife have won many friends to themselves and to their business as well.

James K. Polk, Jr., who is manager of the Gambill Store at Breckenridge is temporarily in charge of the store here now. Mr. Polk stated however that he thought he would be here only until a permanent manager is secured after which he will return to his store at Breckenridge.

#### JOHNSON—MCGILL

Mr. Gus Johnson and Miss Magill, both of Girard, were quietly married at the home of Rev. and Mrs. F. G. Rodgers, Monday, December 24th. Rev. Rodgers pronounced them husband and wife in the presence of just a few friends. They will make their home in Girard.

#### JACKSON—DUFFY

Mr. Joe Tom Jackson, of Afton, and Miss Lodena Duffy of Matador were married in Spur Monday December 24th. Rev. F. G. Rodgers, pastor of the First Baptist Church, officiated in the presence of a few friends.

The groom comes from an old family of the Afton country. The bride is one of the progressive teachers of our state and is engaged in the work at Perrytown, Texas. Just what their future arrangements are, have not been announced.

#### TOCHAS MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Tochas Missionary Society met Monday afternoon at the M. E. Church with Mabel King as leader. After an interesting lesson, a business meeting was held and plans were made for raising money for different demands.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, the 8th, at the M. E. Church at 4:30.

Those present were: Velma Parks, Louise Rodgers, Addie Faye Boothe, Edith Ince, Charlie Hayes, Dorothy Hisey, and Mrs. Mott.

#### A CARD OF THANKS

We take this means of publicly thanking our many friends and neighbors of Spur for your great assistance and many kind deeds during the sickness and death of our husband, father, brother and friend, W. E. Fletcher. During the long siege of his illness we were never neglected an hour and words are too light to tell you how much we appreciate your assistance.

Mrs. W. E. Fletcher  
J. J. Fletcher  
Mrs. Carrie Allen  
H. M. Patton.

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Bowman, of Smith and Bowman, returned Tues-

day from Tipton, Okla., where they have been visiting friends during the holidays.

#### SERVICES AT THE CHURCH OF CHRIST

Rev. E. S. Liggon will preach at the Church of Christ next Sunday at both the morning and evening hours. Everyone is invited to hear Bro. Liggon, who is one of the able speakers in that church.

#### CARD OF THANKS

We desire to thank the good people who have been so faithful in assisting us to care for our husband, father and brother, during his illness. It would have been difficult to have borne all the trials without the assistance of friends. We thank you truly for your assistance.

Mrs. T. W. Morgan and Family.  
Mr. and Mrs. Bynum Brittain  
Mrs. Lela Morgan and Family  
A. B. Morgan and Family  
Mrs. E. L. Adams is reported on the sick list this week.

Ralph Dodson and Carl McGuire Wichita Kans., are the guests of Miss Sadie Harrington, this week.

Jesse Fletcher has a very severe case of influenza at this time.

S. Derr, of McAdoo, was transacting business in our city Tuesday.

H. P. Edwards, Manager of the McAdoo Mercantile Company was attending to business matters in our city Wednesday.

Virgil Boswell, of Lockney, is visiting friends in our city this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Mort Smith, spent the holidays visiting friends in Bridgeport.

Mrs. Bill and son Billie, visited her parents in Plano during the holidays. They also visited Mrs. Newt Harkey in Bridgeport while away, and report Mrs. Harkey is getting along fine.

Miss Rebecca Harper, of Plano is here the guest of her sister, Mrs. Bill Putnam.

Miss Nina Grace and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Grace and son Robert who spent the holidays with Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Grace, left Tuesday for their home in Dallas.

Wallace Bingham who has been home visiting his parent during the holidays, left Tuesday for Norman, Okla., where he will continue his work in the State University.

Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Robbins were guests of friends in Post City during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Wilkes spent Christmas Day in Lorenzo, enjoying dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Stevens.

Miss Blanche Miller who has been with J. P. Wilkes and Son here for some time left last week for her home in San Augustine where she will remain for a few weeks.

Mrs. P. H. Miller returned the first of the week from DeLeon where she had been visiting her mother.

Horton Barrett left Tuesday for Lubbock where he becomes a student in the Texas Technological College.

Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Vaughn were at El Dorado, Okla., during the Christmas holidays visiting their son George Vaughn. They report a good time.

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