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"Ma" Ferguson Wins Governor's Race

Spur Schools To Open Sept. 5th Faculty Compl't

The Spur Schools will open September 5th with appropriate exercises in each auditorium, that Senior High School, Junior High School, and Ward School. The public is cordially invited to attend. The exercises will begin at 9:00 a. m. and enrollments will begin at 10:00 a. m. Considerable time will be employed in the high school in organizing as the faculty is expecting a large enrollment of new pupils. All new pupils are requested to report to the Superintendent's office and secure classification instructions.

The faculty has been completed and assignments will be made in the first faculty meeting of the term to be held at 9:00 a. m. Saturday, the Third of September. It is as follows:

S. Z. Hall, Superintendent; R. B. Neilson, Principal Senior High School; F. F. Vernon, Principal Junior High School; C. L. Kelley, Principal Ward School; C. B. Middleton; Thad Murley, coach; David Sisto; F. M. McCarthy; Pauline Buster; Sarah McNeill; Louise Barganier (Now Mrs. Alton Chapman); Julia Maxwell; Ha Lassiter; Mrs. W. A. McAlpine; Mrs. A. C. White; Mrs. O. L. Kelley; Mrs. L. B. Tillotson; Mrs. F. G. Collier; Mrs. D. H. Zachary; Alice Wright; Annie Mae Lassetter; Ella Mae Hogan; Mary Louise Hogan; Charlie Hayes; Jane Douglas Wilson; L. D. Foreman, Colored; H. T. Hayes, Principal; Theresa Goldstein, Assistant; Glenn Latham, J. R. Laine, L. D. Foreman, House Men; J. C. Meecom, Joe Draper, Board Members; L. E. Lee, Chairman; A. C. Hull, Secretary; E. A. Russell; J. P. Carson, M. L. Rickles; F. C. Nichols, President Parent-Teachers Association; Mrs. Harrington.

Ed Lisenby Reports Bumper Crops Over North Half County

Ed Lisenby was in the city Thursday from his farm and ranch home east of Dickens and while here brought some evidence around to the Texas Spur office of a sure enough bumper crop. Cotton stalks four feet tall loaded with grown bolls and big ears of corn well seeded out. Mr. Lisenby this year has 2000 acres of cotton which will average 3-4 of a bale per acre and not a worm in it. 100 acres of corn that will make 35 bushels, and 200 acres of maize that will make from 1 1/2 to 2 tons per acre. He states that two inches of rain fell on his place and over the north end of the county Tuesday.

Mrs. Francis Jackson Died Friday, Aug. 26

Mrs. Francis Jackson died at her home one mile north of the city Friday morning of last week, August 26. She had been suffering for several months of brights disease and several days ago contracted pneumonia, from which complication she was unable to survive.

Funeral services were held at Dickens Saturday and interment made in the Dickens cemetery. Mrs. Jackson is survived by her parents, her husband, who is the Star Route Mail Carrier from here to Roaring Springs, and three small children.

Other relatives present at the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. George Williamson and Will Williamson, Hamilton; Mrs. Oliver Williamson and Jewel Williamson of Comanche, Lee, J. L. Dee, Orville, Willa and Oreta Williamson, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Richey and children and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Nichols of Croton.

Messrs. Roy Stovall and G. J. Lane made a business trip to Abilene Friday in the interest of marketing local produce.

Field Day Planned For 4-H Club and Vocational Ag. Boys

An all-day meet and field day has been planned for members of the 4-H Club boys and the Vocational Agriculture students, to be held Saturday, September 10 at the Spur Experiment Station. The meet is sponsored by County Agent G. J. Lane in cooperation with Agricultural Instructor C. E. Middleton; and Superintendent of the Station, R. E. Dickson.

The boys are notified to gather at the station in the morning and are asked to bring their lunches and spend the entire day. Coffee and other accessories for the dinner will be furnished at the station.

Supt. Dickson will make a present of a fine gilt pig to one of the boys present that day. The manner in which the awarding of the pig will be made has not been announced, but every boy present will have an equal opportunity in receiving this valuable present.

Local Schools Will Operate 3 Buses This Year

The Spur Schools will operate three buses this term, tentative routes subject to change, as follows:

Route No. 1—The yellow International bus was traded in on a new International bus and the new bus will revert to the old route of the old route. It will start in town and go by the cemetery and up the road north by Collier's Dairy to the turn east and there it will turn east to the turn table and return west to the Highway and up to the Slaton's place, there turn and return to the school buildings via the highway. J. R. Laine will operate this bus. It will lap back over this route in afternoons unloading in reverse order.

Route No. 2—The Red Hill Ford Bus will start at the home of J. H. Latham (Driven by Glenn Latham) and will go north to the road by the Red Hill School House, will come by the school house to one mile west of the school house; there turn north one mile, west one mile, south one mile, and back east one mile and there turn south to the turn table and come up the highway two miles more or less and turn south one mile; there turn around and back to the highway and up the highway to Justiceberg and go south into the Steel Hill community to the tabernacle and continue one mile south of the Tabernacle, there turn back to the tabernacle and west one mile then north by the Steel Hill school house and back to the highway and into town. It will lap back in reverse order unloading in afternoon.

Route No. 3—This route will be operated by L. D. Foreman. He will begin at his home; go north one mile north of the Espuela school, lap back and cross creek east to about a point around Mr. Harris' place, turn back to Espuela School House, and then turn west to school house, and one mile north, then west into the Highway and back to town. In afternoon it will go in reverse order unloading.

These buses will transport only Spur District pupils which include the Red Hill pupils and Soldier Mound pupils and High School transfers that draw money from the Itate School funds for High School Tuition. All other pupils are barred from riding on these buses—Superintendent Schools, Spur, Texas.

CARD OF THANKS
To the large number of friends who voted for me in the August Primary, I want you to know that I value your friendship very highly and your expressions of loyalty and confidence are appreciated more than is possible for me to express.
Yours very truly,
MRS. ORAN MCCLURE

Barganier-Chapman

Attorney Alton B. Chapman and Miss Louise Barganier, two of the most prominent young people of the entire county were married at the home of the bride's aunt in Marlin, Texas Saturday morning, August 27th. The newlyweds left immediately for El Paso where they will spend their honeymoon and will return here to make their home this weekend.

Mrs. Chapman is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Barganier of Lott, Texas. She is a graduate of C. I. A. at Denton, and is a beautiful young woman of intelligence and many accomplishments. During the past year she was a member of the faculty of Spur High School and it was here that the romance began which resulted in this happy marriage. She will again hold a position on the Spur Faculty the coming year.

Alton Chapman is a Dickens County product having been graduated from Spur High School, and made his home here for many years. He studied law at Simmons University following his graduation from High School, finishing at the State University where he obtained his degree and was admitted to the bar. Following his admission to the bar, Attorney Chapman did service with a prominent law firm at Abilene and was called with Attorney Calhoun to Berger where he practised for several months. He later moved back to this county and was elected to the office of County Attorney of Dickens County in 1930 and had no opponent for reelection to the office this year.

The Texas Spur joins the many in the heartiest congratulations and wishing for them a happy journey over the seas of matrimony.

Spur Gets First Bale Monday

L. Cravey, of Lower Red Mud community in Kent county brought the first bale of cotton to this city Monday afternoon. Mr. Cravey phoned in Monday morning to J. H. Clay, engineer of the J. E. Johnson Gin, to fire up and be ready and the bale was ginned off early in the afternoon.

The bale weighed 432 pounds and sold to G. H. Snider for \$20. A premium was given by local merchant to the amount of \$27.00. This is perhaps the earliest date for a bale of cotton to be ginned in this city.

Joe A Merrett is Victor in Race For Representative

Joe A. Merrett, of Scurry county, won the nomination for State Representative from this district at Saturday's primary with a lead of 477 over his opponent, Fed C. Haile, of Dickens county. Borden county returns have not been reported but since this county polled less than 400 votes it could not change the results. Both candidates polled excellent majorities in the home counties.

The following is a tabulation of the votes by counties:

	Haile	Merrett
Garza	463	707
Stonewall	671	484
Kent	477	565
Scurry	3497	3974

Cattle Eat Caliche And Build Bone

Lubbock, Texas.—A new use has been discovered for caliche hills of the south plains and one that may not only revolutionize the commercial ration industry but likewise farm feeding.

Feeding livestock on caliche or limestone, will build bone and weight in the animals. The discovery was made accidentally in pens in Yellow-house canyon north of town.

One day last spring he went into the pens and found that the animals had eaten back into the canyon, space wide enough for wagon or truck to drive in. He soon discovered that the animals liked the caliche and daily ate it with their grain ration.

It has long been known that a small amount of limestone was a necessary part of rations for livestock. But as far as is known here this is the first time that cattle have consumed caliche of limestone in any quantity.

Cattlemen state that the animals from the Stanton pens had wonderful bone structure and that they were able to carry a heavier weight than those without a regular lime ration.

1917 STUDY CLUB TO HOLD FIRST MEETING OF YEAR

The Nineteen Seventeen Study Club will hold its first meeting of the year at 3:00 Tuesday afternoon, September 6th, at the home of Mrs. M. L. Jones.

All members are urged to be present.

Dickens Co. Vote On State Offices

Following are the totals of the Dickens county vote on state offices:

For Governor:	
Ferguson	1146
Sterling	82
FOR R. R. Commissioner (6 yr.):	
Satterwhite	682
Terrell	1089
R. R. Commissioner (4 year):	
Hatcher	734
Thompson	1014
Supreme Court Justice:	
Hickman	1057
Pierson	694
Congress-at-Large, place 1:	
Parrish	1511
Terrell	286
Congress, place 2:	
Bailey	679
Davis	1092
Congress Place 3:	
Burkett	775
Strong	977
Senate, 30th district:	
Duggan	733
Lockhart	1167
The totals for the State give the following substantial leads in the above named offices:	
R. R. Com., 6 year: Terrell.	
R. R. Com., 4 year: Thompson	
Supreme Court: Pierson.	
Congress, 1: Terrell.	
Congress, 2: Bailey.	
Congress, 3: Strong.	

Boll Worm Damage Estimated 17 to 53

The report of Dr. F. L. Thomas, State Entomologist, who recently made a survey of the cotton boll-worm situation in the vicinity of Spur, shows that cotton planted after the hailstorm of June 20th has had from 17 to 53 percent of the squares and young bolls damaged by boll-worms. On the other hand, practically no damage was noticed in the early planted cotton that was not hail-damaged out. Dr. Thomas stated that the infestation of boll-worms would be much greater at the present time if it were not for the presence of a large number of predatory insects in the cotton fields which destroy the eggs of the boll worm moth.

Spur Party Left Wednesday For Chicken Hunt

Mac Wilson, Red Laine, and G. H. Snider of this city, and P. W. Campbell, general manager of the W. T. U. Co., and two other utility officials of Dallas, left here Wednesday for Yoakum county to enjoy the four-day open season on prairie chickens. The chickens are reported to be plentiful in the border counties.

To The Voters Of Dickens County

I want to express my sincere thanks to the citizens of this County for the splendid vote received last Saturday, and I hope you will have no regrets in electing me your County Clerk.

Gratefully yours,
NEAL FORTSON

Three Counties Send Delegations to Local Experiment Station Monday This Week

Delegations from Noland, Mitchell and Shackelford Counties were here Monday of this week for an inspection of the terracing work that has been made at the local station and to see at first hand the results of these operations and the methods of terracing. The weather was good and the day was a complete success.

Shackelford county had planned to send another delegation here this week but since the rain the inspection was postponed and the group will probably come here Monday of next week.

The Roosevelt Clan

One of the most curious illustrations of the fact that most people don't seem to know what is going on in the world is the receipt by Mrs. Theodora Roosevelt, widow of the former President, of several hundred letters and telegrams congratulating her upon the nomination of her husband for the Presidency! It seems incredible that there is still anyone in America who does not know that Theodora Roosevelt died in 1919.

There were also a good many thousands who wrote to Franklin D. Roosevelt, the Democratic nominee for President, under the impression that he is a son of the former President. As a matter of fact, his wife is much like D. Roosevelt is. She was the daughter of Theodore Roosevelt's brother, Elliott, and that makes her a first cousin to the present Theodore Roosevelt, Governor-General of the Philippines. One has to go back nearly two hundred years to trace the relationship of Franklin D. Roosevelt to Theodore Roosevelt.

The first of the name to settle in America was a Dutch merchant named Nicholas Roosevelt, who came to New York in '64. In 1742, the old records show, there were two brothers Roosevelt, named Johannus and Josephus. They were great grandsons of the original Nicholas Roosevelt. One of them was the ancestor of Theodore Roosevelt and the other of Franklin D. Roosevelt. Their descendants in both lines accumulated wealth and acquired high social position but none of them was ever active in politics until Theodore Roosevelt, just out of college, was put up by the Republican organization in 1881 for member of the Legislature in what was supposed to be a safely Democratic district, and surprised everybody by getting himself elected. And Franklin Roosevelt, his distant cousin, made the same kind of a sensational entry into politics in 1910 when he was elected as a Democrat to the New York State Senate from a district that had been regarded as safely Republican.—Ex.

Mrs. J. T. Towles, of Amarillo spent last week in Spur with her daughter, Mrs. Dave Wilson.

W. A. Wilson of Clarendon, was in Spur last weekend visiting his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Wilson and looking after business interests.

STERLING WILL CONTEST THE ELECTION

The unofficial report of the Texas Election Bureau in the final count made Wednesday, gave Mrs. Miriam A. Ferguson a lead of 2,390 votes over her opponent, the present Governor, Ross Sterling. The official tabulation will be announced Sunday, and the canvas for the State will be made at the State convention to be held at Lubbock, Monday, September 12th. The votes given were, Mrs. Ferguson 476,750; Sterling 474,522; a total of 951,272 tabulated from 254 counties, 251 of which were complete.

Mrs. Ferguson's nomination marks the close of one of the most unusual elections in the history of the State. The race was not only the closest candidates for governor ever run, but the number of votes polled was the largest ever recorded in a second primary. The race was a close one from the start, reports from the election bureau giving first one and the other the lead, and during the last few days they were only a few hundred votes apart. Another unusual feature is that Mrs. Ferguson has won this nomination over the most overwhelming odds a candidate was ever forced to face. Every single daily of importance in the state fought her name.

This power alone is estimated to be able to sway over 200,000 votes in Texas on any question, and there is no way of estimating the power of the big companies and corporations. It is encouraging to note that the people of Texas are taking real interest in governmental affairs. Governor Sterling has announced that he will contest the election.

Bill Bell Returns To Spur and Opens Cafe Business

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Bell, who moved to Denton a few weeks ago with the intention of making their home there for the benefit of the college and schools, returned to Spur the past week and state they are glad to be back.

Mr. Bell has opened a cafe in the 500 block, Burlington Ave., and says he intends to clean up big this fall. Hope we all get to help him.

Duggan Wins in Race For Snate

With a lead of nearly 800 votes Arthur P. Duggan, of Littlefield, won the democratic nomination for State Senate, in this district. The vote at the latest reports was, Duggan 21,976; Lockhart 21,188.

Two Inch Rain Fell Here During Week

A two inch general rain fell over this section of the country Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of this week. The rain will be of benefit to feed and gardens but may be a detriment to the late cotton, some of which is being damaged by boll-worms.

At Sweetwater an 8 inch rain is reported.

Mrs. E. L. Adams returned this week from Corpus Christi where she spent the summer visiting her daughter and friends of that city.

Editor A. C. Hyatt, of the Ralls' Banner, and Mr. Steckman of the Lubbock Avalanche, were business visitors in Spur, Monday of this week.

Dr. and Mrs. B. F. Hale and daughter Helen, returned Friday of last week from Mineral Wells.

UNOFFICIAL RETURNS OF AUGUST PRIMARY, DICKENS COUNTY

	Dickens	Midway	Afton	Dry Lake	Red Mud	Duck Creek	Wichita	Dumont	Croton	N-W Spur	McAdoo	D. Flat	Highway	Espuela	Red Hill	S-E Spur	P. Chapel	S-W Spur	N-E Spur	TOTAL
County Judge:	71	50	64	45	20	25	31	14	58	167	81	25	23	20	17	130	25	97	84	1047
Cloud Newberry	167	58	77	39	7	20	56	7	60	66	102	26	39	37	14	48	48	61	43	975
County Clerk:	74	30	55	48	12	13	26	12	65	126	84	14	35	36	23	108	36	85	85	967
McClure Fortson	162	80	85	37	15	31	58	9	52	109	100	35	27	20	7	72	37	74	41	1051
Com., Prect. No. 1	150	68								47	22									287
Slough Rose	89	39								140	29									297
Representative:	158	60	101	62	18	30	67	15	87	188	114	24	44	44	13	151	48	123	97	1444
Haile Merrett	64	46	42	20	8	15	15	3	20	46	56	20	17	11	15	26	19	36	29	565

DURING MY ROVINGS AS A YOUNG MAN I WAS ONCE ATTACKED BY A FEROCIOUS TIGER IN AN AFRICAN JUNGLE. AFTER GIVING HIM A TUFF FIGHT I SUCCEEDED IN OVERPOWERING HIM, QUITE A TASK I MUST SAY ~

I CHRISTENED THEE "KOKO"
OUCH!
"WELL, AFTER I CAPTURED MR. TIGER I CHRISTENED HIM AND MADE HIM MY PET ~

MEOW! ?
"HE BECAME SO TAME HE FOLLOWED ME WHEREVER I WENT. HE PURRED JUST LIKE A PUSSY CAT ~"

YES, HOW WELL I REMEMBER THOSE DAYS IN AFRICA WITH THE HOT, SWELTERING CLIMATE OF THAT TROPICAL JUNGLE. THERE WAS LITTLE WATER TO BE HAD, BARELY ENOUGH FOR DRINKING PURPOSES.
HOW DID YOU KEEP CLEAN THEN POP?
"LITTLE 'KOKO' WAS KIND TO ME; HE USED TO WASH MY FACE FOR ME EVERY MORNING!"

DON'T FORGET TO GO BEHIND THE EARS "KOKO"
"LITTLE 'KOKO' WAS KIND TO ME; HE USED TO WASH MY FACE FOR ME EVERY MORNING!"

Animal Crackers
SHAME ON YOU! HITTING YOUR WIFE WITH A CHAIR? WHY DID YOU DO IT?
BECAUSE I COULDN'T NOT LIFT THE TABLE!!
DUNKEE

HERE'S SOMETHIN' THAT OUGHT TO INTEREST AUNT EMMIE.
HOW'S THE RAISIN MARKET MONDAY?
"SH! HE'S READIN' THE 'CURRENT' NEWS"
"I READ WHERE SOME GUY'S WIFE HADN'T SPOKEN TO HIM FOR TWENTY YEARS"
"SOME MEN ARE BORN LUCKY!"

HERE'S SOMETHIN' THAT OUGHT TO INTEREST AUNT EMMIE.

SINCE YOU HAVE ENTERED YOURSELF IN THE "MISS SMALL TOWN AMERICA" BEAUTY CONTEST THIS SHOULD INTEREST YOU AUNT EMMIE.
"I AM TO THINK THEY'RE LOOKING FOR A NEW WORLD'S HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPION!"
"SORRY THERE MATE"

TAKE OFF 20 LBS OVER NIGHT!
GET THAT EXHAUSTING BEAUTY FIGURE!
BE ENVIED BY ALL YOUR FRIENDS!
NO EXERCISE! NO DIETING! EASY AND PLEASANT TO TAKE— FLE-SH REDUCER!
EAT ALL DRUG STORES
NOBODY NEED BE FAT!
ANTI-BEEF

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LET THAT BE A LESSON TO YOU, YOU FRESH YOUNG SCALAWAG!
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"SORRY THERE MATE"

MISS BONNIE CAMPBELL ENTERTAINED MONDAY Little Miss Bonnie Campbell was a most charming hostess to a number of her little friends last Monday when she entertained at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Campbell, with a party.
After many entertaining and interesting games, refreshments were served to the following: G. J. Laine, Billie Laine, Billie Dee Bell, Sam Z. Hall Jr., Sammie McGee, Peggie Jane Hogan, Bobby Clemmons, Regina Lee, Helen Hale, Grace Foster, Wynell McClure, Isabell and Bonnie Campbell.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Bilbrey and Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Self returned this week from a months visit to Clarence and Murie Bilbrey at San Diego, Calif. Joe Watson, who has been in California for the past several months returned with them.
Mr. and Mrs. Dickson and Lillian Grace are in Greenville this week on a visit to relatives and friends. Greenville is Mr. Dickson's native home.
Robbie Lou Driggers was operated at Nichols Sanitarium Monday for appendicitis and is reported doing fine at this time.
Floyd McArthur was a visitor in Spur Wednesday of this week.

Word was received here Thursday by Mrs. T. A. Rodgers of the death of her brother-in-law, Henry Nerren of West, Texas. Mr. Nerren was fatally injured Saturday evening in an automobile accident between Waco and West.
Miss Vesta Arthur, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Arthur, under went a tonsil operation, Thursday of this week.
Coy Dopson was in the city Wednesday of this week and while here was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office.
Billie Walker of Overton was visiting with relatives and meeting old friends in Spur the past week.



DR. W. C. ROUNTREE, Pellogra Specialist, 2722 Travis Avenue, Fort Worth, Texas.
Sufferers from Pellogra should communicate with me for a remedy which has proven successful for more than fifteen years.

BRING US YOUR WASH AND GREASE WORK---
Also Your Flats.
All work Guaranteed!
TEXACO PRODUCTS
SPUR SERVICE STATION

Espuela News

Several people from this community were in Spur Saturday night. Some were disappointed in the returns of the election.
Mr. and Mrs. R. C. McMahan and children spent Sunday with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Ball and family.
Buddie and Lee Schoonover left Monday for a visit in South Texas.
Woodrow Harris and Jess Warren were visiting in Spur Saturday night.
Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Benefield returned home Friday. School will probably start Thursday September 8th.
Miss Pauline Foreman was dinner guest of Misses Beatrice and Ruth Spivey.
Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Delisle and son, Alton Glen, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dutton and children.
Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Benefield spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Foreman.
Wilma Morgan spent Sunday with Inez Ball.
Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Bedwell of Ralls, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Messer and family.
Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Crafton and children spent Sunday with his parents on Colber's Ranch. Noel Crafton returned home with them to spend the night.
The Methodist revival began last Friday evening at Foreman's Chapel. Everyone is invited to attend each service.
Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Brooks and daughter spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Willie Ball and children.
Mr. and Mrs. Willie Smith spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Dan Pritchett and children.
Miss Lillian Messer spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Bailey.
Miss Leach Howell is on the sick list this week. We hope she will soon be able to be about.
Mrs. Al Bingham and Mrs. Newt Bingham were business visitors in Spur, Saturday.
Mrs. W. C. Messer visited Mrs. J. A. Murphy, Monday afternoon.

noon.
R. C. Warren, W. C. Messer, Willie Ball, and Doyle Brooks were in Spur, Saturday.
Mr. Raymond Collum returned to his home, in Abilene, Monday, after a visit with his uncle, J. W. Cook and family and other friends.
Mrs. Lola Booth and daughter Mary Ruth, spent Sunday night and Monday in the home of W. C. Messer.
Daisy Ball spent Sunday nite with Faye McMahan.
Miss Dorothy Kerley was a visitor in the Kimball home Sunday.
Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Messer and children, Cora and Walter, and Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Bedwell made a business trip to Spur, Sunday afternoon.
Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Benefield spent Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. R. C. McMahan and family.
Mr. and Mrs. Ivey McMahan, and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Delisle and family of the Dry Lake community were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Delisle and family Sunday night.
Mack Cook spent Saturday night and Sunday with Herman Messer.
Mr. and Mrs. Willie Ball and Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Bailey were in Spur Saturday night.
Bill Anderson spent Saturday night with Arthur Watson.
W. C. Messer was a business visitor in Spur, Tuesday.
Mrs. Sauls was a visitor on the Spur Ranch the guest of Mrs. Al Bingham and Mrs. Newt Bingham.
Mrs. Dick Jackson spent Monday afternoon with Mrs. Earnest Wells.
Mr. and Mrs. Charlie McMahan and son, spent Saturday night and Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Battles.
Mrs. H. O. Albin and sons, Ferrel and Henry, and daughter, Mrs. Joe Stotts and Jo Ann, are in Oklahoma City, visiting her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Dwain Mateer.
Mrs. Sim Darden and children, Sidney, Dorothy and Beatrice, of Waco were visitors in the E. J. Cowan home the past week.

CLASSIFIED

FOR RENT—Two rooms with board. Will give rates on two in same room also give meals without room.—Mrs. T. A. Johnson Phone 111. 43tfc

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC
Expressive of our belief in a policy of GAME PRESERVATION for West Texas, we have declared our property in Dickens and King counties into a GAME RESERVE and will permit no hunting within the next five years. The public is requested to respect our wishes in this matter and to encourage the adoption of a more widespread policy of this nature.
FITCHFORK LAND AND CATTLE CO.

FOUND—Brown Jersey Bull with steel yoke on. Will be sold in 10 days if not claimed.—W. C. Suitt. 2c.

WANTED—Will care for children while mothers work.—Mrs. Pearl Franklin.

Mrs. Darden and children of Waco were visitors at the Fitchfork Ranch Thursday.
Misses Pauline and Marie Oliver have returned home after visiting in Lubbock for several days.
Mr. and Mrs. Dick Speer are visiting Mr. Speer's mother in San Antonio.

MISSES JOHNIE BROWN AND ALICE BRADY HARRINGTON ENTERTAINED
Little Misses Johnie Brown and Alice Brady Harrington were most charming hostesses to a number of little friends on Aug. 22 at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Olda Harrington. After an evening of enjoyable games, refreshments were served to the following: Mary Nancy Roberts, Peggy Jane Hogan, Joyce McCulley, Wanda Jean Englemom, Ouida and Mary Louise Lisenby, Frances Gipson, Marian Reed, Ruth Estell and E. W. Jones.
Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Humphrey and children of Abilene, were over to spend the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Lane and family.

Spur Barber Shop
HAIR CUT _____ 25c
Tonic and Oil _____ 25c
Plain Shampoo _____ 25c
Other work in proportion.
GEORGE & ALLDREDGE

SAFEGWAY STORES
DISTRIBUTION WITHOUT WASTE

Potatoes	NICE COLORADO 10 LBS	19c
Oranges	CALIFORNIA Medium Size PEP. DOZEN	19c
Marshmallows	FRESH LB. PKG.	19c
Syrup	EAST TEXAS SORGHUM GALLON	49c
Crackers	BROWN'S SNOW FLAKE 2 POUNDS	19c
Shortening	BLUE BONNET	8 lb. pail 65c
FLOUR	GOLD MEDAL FLOUR Extra High Grade	48 lbs. . \$1.09
Broom	5 TIE — OUR LEADER, EACH	19c
Tomatoes	STANDARD 3 NO. 2 CANS	23c
Apricots	HILLSDALE'S NO. 2 1/2 CAN, EACH	13c
Pinto Beans	RE-CLEANED 10 LBS.	29c
Milk	MAXIMUM 7 SMALL CANS	25c
COFFEE	AIRWAY COFFEE Ground Fresh For You	3 lbs. ... 63c
SUGAR	PURE CANE (LIMIT 1 BAG)	25 lbs. . \$1.10
Vinegar	APPLE CIDER GALLON	25c
Pickles	WHOLE, SOUR PER QUART	17c
Catsup	STOKLEY'S Large Bottle 2 FOR	25c
Baking Powder	B. - C. 32 OZ.	19c
Bacon	SUGAR CURED LB.	13c

FRIDAY, SATURDAY and MONDAY, SEPT. 2 - 3 - 5
SPUR, TEXAS

THRIFTY WASH!
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Mesquite Tree Is Native Of The Yucatan

Readers of cowboy tales, Indian yarns and other forms of western literature have become familiar with the mesquite thickets and the mesquite trees mentioned time without number; but very few who have lived in the Southwest have the remotest idea as to what the mesquite looks like. It, perhaps, is the least photographed and the most rarely pictured form of western vegetation. While its growth in this section, generally, is not so rank as some other parts of the Southwest area, yet it is found here and often with great assistance to the land owner who possesses it.

The first record we have of mesquite is in Yucatan several centuries ago; then it appeared in Hawaii, and later on was observed in Chile and the Argentine Republic. Gradually it began its march northward entering the Isthmus and Central American republic, on through Old Mexico and at last reached the borders of the Rio Grande.

Two hundred years ago the mesquite was little known along the southern borders of Arizona, New Mexico and Texas, and it is only in the last generation that it has become prolific in the southern part of these states, gradually pushing its way northward each year, yet becoming smaller in its growth as it reaches the altitudinal areas and creeps into the latitudes where winters are more strenuous. However there are still a few of the old settlers in the Gulf Coast country of Texas who can recall when the Southern prairies of this state were devoid of this particular vegetation.

It is noticeable that where prairie fires have been frequent for a long period of years that the mesquite thickets are low and scrubby, but the root development is astonishing. Hence many sojourners are mystified by hearing frequent references made to the "underground forests" which are exceedingly valuable and important sources of fuel supply.

In other sections, and especially in the warmer and farther south areas the mesquite form a wide-branching tree, fifty or more feet in height, and sometimes with a trunk two or three feet in diameter. It bears sharp, pinnate leaves like those of the locust, but much smaller and cylindrical spikes of small flowers. The flowers are succeeded by pods from four to eight inches long, usually in clusters, each containing a number of small, hard seeds. These are rich in sugar and are eagerly eaten by horses, cattle and mules. If the pods are gathered and ground they form an excellent stock food. The leaves, also, are very desirable for stock, because similar in chemical composition to alfalfa hay, since the mesquite, botanically speaking, belongs to the "nitrogen-fixing" family and is classed among the legumes. Among the Indians of the Southwest the seeds of the mesquites have always been prized as an important addition to their food supply. They are ground and pounded into a coarse meal and then made into mush or baked in cakes, which are claimed even by white people to not only be practically as nutritious as any other form of bean but a very palatable and agreeable flavor.

The wood of the mesquite is very hard and quite durable. It is used for post, for house furniture, for foundations and for fuel. It takes an especially high polish, is brown or reddish brown in color, so that the article made of it is very attractive in appearance. Frequently it is mistaken for mahogany, and so closely related is some of this wood in both color and texture, that many of those well acquainted with it are unable to distinguish the difference after the finishing touches and polish have been given the raw material.

From the trunks of the tree small, clear amber drops of gum exude, which makes an excellent mucilage, and which have been employed in confection making. On wounds in the trunk the tree a black brittle gum appears which contains twenty per cent of tannin, and is used by the Mexicans and Indians for dyeing black. The aborigines pound the inner bark of the tree, soak it in water and add salt, and then use the decoction as a cathartic. Even the blossoms of the mesquite are not without their use.

The flowering period lasts from eight to ten weeks. If mesquite trees or bushes are at hand, bees work upon nothing else for the time being, as the flowers are rich in nectar, which makes a clear and delightfully flavored honey. For this reason bee keepers often plant mesquite in hedges, while in the southern part of the state where mesquite grow heavily, numerous and large apiaries are to be found. There are many theories as to the spreading of the mesquite. Some of the spread, is, of course occasioned by heavy winds, but the most plausible theory is that the horses and cattle eating the beans thus spreading it in new territory. Old ranchers of the State claim that the mesquite was unknown in the southern part of the state until the importation of cattle across the Rio Grande began.

The mesquite has proven itself adapted to almost any kind of soil and will grow in extreme heat or cold, and in damp and humid climates as well as in arid climates, though, as a general rule, the plant grows larger and stronger in the milder climates and where more moisture is available. In this section of West Texas the plant is generally scraggy and lean above the ground.

There is a mystery as to why in certain areas, often comprising several miles in extent, will be covered with brush, while immediately adjoining it will be another area equally as large without a single plant on it. Some of the bare areas adjoining old cattle ranges may be accounted for by the fact that the roundup of thousands of head of cattle have tramped out the growth killing all vegetation within a given radius. But there are other areas of equal size to which this explanation will not apply. It will be noticed, however, that mesquites thrive best in sand soil where the sand drifts about the roots of the plant. These drifts for a mulch which holds the moisture when it rains so that the plant can make the best use of it. Without this mulch the land would dry out quickly, leaving the plant without moisture, which is essential to life and growth. Furthermore, while the plant may still maintain a scant existence, yet it is noticeable that the mesquite does not thrive where the sand does not drift and gather this life preserving mulch. There are occasional spots in this section where the land is not sandy nor does the sand blow over it.

JOHN HAZELWOOD JR., SEABORN SOUTH AND JAMES HENRY COWAN ENTERTAINED TUESDAY

John Hazelwood Jr., Seaborn South and James Henry Cowan entertained with a party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Cowan, Tuesday evening from 7:45 to 10:00 o'clock.

After many interesting games were played, a refreshment of ice cream and cake was served to the following: Everett and Buck Martin, Jane Godfrey, Julia Jo Reed, Sherrod Dunn, Francis Springer, John A. Moore Jr., Moody Rodgers, Ouida Fern Dobbins, John Hazelwood Jr., Polly Clemmons, Nedra Hogan, Seaborn South, Oleta Adams, Lois Jo Falls, Billie Burk Hisey, Melba Jo Hazel, Ruth, Ruby, Emily and James Henry Cowan.

Dave Taylor has recently been employed by Henry Alexander and Company and will be permanently located with them in their new location.

Mr. Leon Lane of Vailev Mills is here this week visiting with his brother, G. J. Lane and family.

yet the mesquites exist in a more or less thrifty bunch. But in these particular cases it will invariably be discovered that at some time during the year the land is overflowed by rain, or else some nearby gulch, canyon or even small ditch has furnished the necessary required moisture for continuance of plant life.

Many instances are on record where the new settlers have paid for the clearing of their land by the sale of mesquite taken therefrom through the statement applies more directly to farther south areas. However there are some few spots in this area where the mesquite has grown large enough to furnish fence posts or stays and considerable wood for fuel is stored away from the land clearings. Occasionally a farmer who comes from the south will choose land that is more or less covered with mesquite in preference to that entirely barren of this woody growth, declaring the soil is more productive, while it is common knowledge that fields where mesquite have been grubbed from them are productive of more generous crops, largely because of the loosening of the soil occasioned in grubbing out plants.

At the rate at which land is now being cleared in this section it is only a matter of time until this homely, but valuable scrub will become practically extinct in this area; the only specimen remaining being a few in the pasture lands or where some farmer has trimmed a bush or two in some remote corner of his yard or field as a remembrance of the condition of early days to which he may point with pride and explanation to his grandchildren.—Muleshoe Journal.

This northern progress of the mesquite from its native home down in the Yucatan may possibly be the explanation of why many tracts of land in this section are covered with mesquite which fifteen and twenty years ago were open prairie. Many oldtimers are of the opinion that prairie fires have held the spread of these trees down, but it may be that the mesquite has only in recent years reached this section.

"OUT OUR WAY" Twin Wells -- S. Hill

Some are rejoicing, some are gnashing their teeth, some are feeling as if they'd been beaten black and blue, some are fearful lest they "lose their cows for taxes" since the election. But we should realize that it would have been impossible to select officials to please everyone, so all that are displeased might just as well grin and bear it after all, you know.

*If your wishes in life were handed you
On a platter of purest gold
You'd be discontented and worried,
For some day you'd have to grow old,
Then as old age grew on you
And your wishes in life grew few,
And your friends were doing to suit themselves,
Who'd run the Government for you
But you see, Gods not a wishing bone.
And some of our prayers were vain,
So we'll just have to grin and bear it
For it will not bring us so much pain.*

*As if I'd prayed for Ma's election
And you for Sterling had prayed
And God did His best to answer both prayers,
A Heavenly Revolution, I'm afraid!*

Now, talk about your "loyalty to Ma," tho! But I dare say this has it all beat: Mr. Troy Floyd who moved to Benton Harbor, Mich., last April came plumb back to Texas last week to get in a vote for Ma. Mr. Floyd is now visiting in the home of his relatives, G. H. Jackson and family. He is planning to go to Miami, Fla., directly after the State Fair.

Miss Ollie Drennon, who has been visiting with her sister, Mrs. Andrew Edgar, of Afton, has returned home. Miss Velma Farmer visited Ruby Jackson Monday afternoon. Little Miss Marie Wright spent Saturday night with Ruth Farmer.

Misses Nina Belle and Fern McCormick were in Spur, Saturday. Mr. Milton Smith and family were visiting in the Steel Hill community, Sunday. Mr. Grower McAnally was a visitor in the Ferris and Jackson homes, Sunday. Mr. Ware and family who

were going from their home in Brownfield to Jayton, stopped at the Twin Wells school house Wednesday when Mrs. Ware fell ill and could not bear to travel. She has recovered sufficiently to be moved into a nearby house though. We hope she completely recovers, and rapidly. Mrs. Levi Meadors, who is in Nichols Sanitarium is improving. Miss Ethel Jackson spent Sunday with Mrs. C. D. Ferris.

Prairie Chapel

Mr. Hascle Byrd of Mt. Pleasant, Texas, is visiting his brother Mr. Drue Byrd this week. Bud Galloway spent a few days in Paducah this week. Lon Sharp returned home from Lorenzo, Texas, Monday, where he has been visiting relatives the past two weeks. Mrs. Donnis Murphy and Mrs. Edna Middleton went to Afton Saturday.

RISEING STAR GOSSIP

Rising Star is having an old fashioned revival meeting, and most every evening the house is crowded and the doors all full, and we are glad, very glad that every one feels that way. Many folks from adjoining communities have been with us the past two weeks and we hope they continue to come this week and we cordially invite all who read this to come out to Rising Star and be with the rest of our services. Mrs. Luther Johnson went to Mrs. Whitfords Tuesday, and caned more goods for winter use. Miss Lucile Hart of Clarendon visited with her relatives at Rising Star, a few days ago.

Mr. Beverly Vardeman of Clarendon visited with her relatives at Rising Star, a few days ago. Mr. Beverly Vardeman of Clarendon, was an overnight guest of Wessie and Jessie Baxter, Saturday night. We hear that Miss Olga Dille-shaw has been on the sick list the past few days, here's hoping she is well by the time this goes into print.

Mr. Lester Baxter and Mr. G. W. Rogers Jr. of Rising Star, were in Spur a couple of days this past week. Brother Henry Smith, we are sorry to say, left us after the Monday evening services, to go to Royston to help with a revival there. Mr. Lester Baxter of this community, has been selling water-mellons in Spur most every day for a week. Now that don't seem like old Spur is so hard up we some times think Mellons are cheap of course, like everything else, but many, many mellons can be hauled in a weeks time, and it takes money to buy them, and some one gets the money from some where. Surely times are getting a little better.

We had another rain last night and some are all ready squealing rotted cotton. Well, last week we expected worms, this week its rotted cotton, what will it be next?

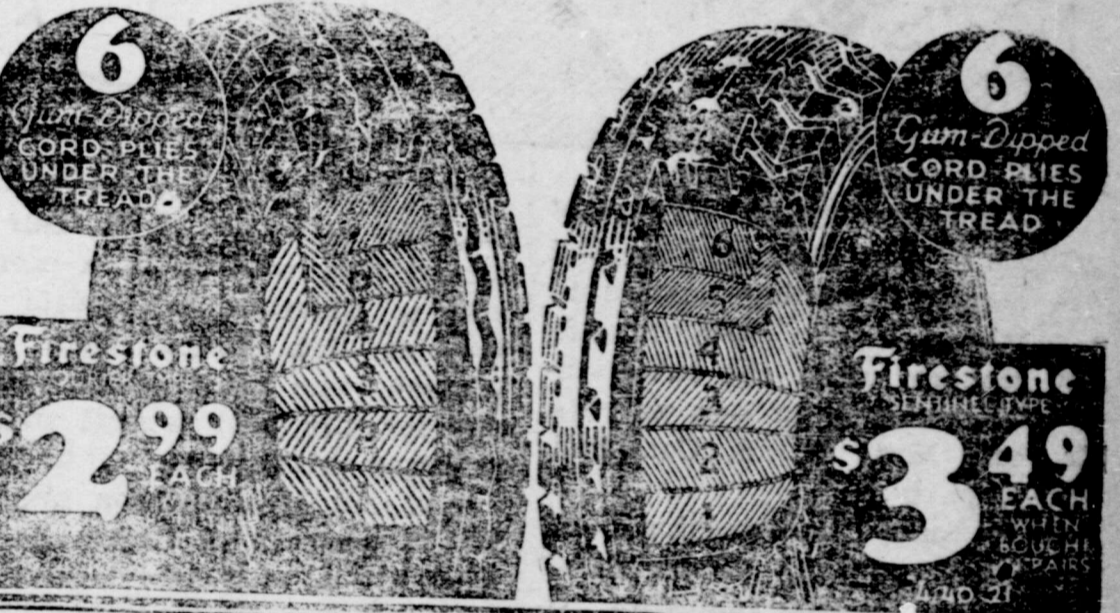
Mrs. Billie Walker was visiting with relatives and friends in Spur last week.

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