

Two County Schools Close This Month

The school at Twin Wells will close the year's work Friday of this week, making a term of eight months. This is one of the best schools in the

county and does work to and including the seventh grade. Mrs. Magnolia Ellis and Mrs. Katie Conatser are the teachers this term and the work has been very successful.

The school at Wilson Draw will close work Friday of next week. This school will have enjoyed eight months of work and seems to have enjoyed a very successful term. The people of

Virgil Stalcup Must Die In Electric Chair

One Faces 99 Years, Other Eleetrocution



VIRGIL STALCUP

CLARENCE BROWN

---PHOTOS COURTESY LUBBOCK AVALANCHE

Stalcup's latest escape-attempt was reported upon his return to the prison at Huntsville, when officers found a hand-cuff key concealed in a penny box of matches. The prisoner had attempted to use the key upon his return trip, but had failed because of the style cuffs used. It is reported that the condemned man, who took the key at the time of the Dickens jailbreak, had always held it in his mouth each time he was searched at the Lubbock jail and the state prison at Huntsville.

Wilson Draw have always taken much interest in their schools. Tom Porter and Miss Launa Cozby are the teachers this term.

CAR MISHAP SUNDAY

Mrs. R. F. Rogers and Tom Bradley featured in a car wreck Sunday, in which only slight damage was done

to either car. Mrs. Rogers and daughter were driving toward Spur on the Dickens highway when the prevailing sand storm prevented them from seeing the approaching car driven by Mr. Bradley. The resulting impact caused damage to only the car.

J. H. Hemphill and family of Croton settlement, were in our city Sat-

Convicted Slayer of Sheriff Arthur Returned to Huntsville Death Cell To Await Execution Early In May

LAST APPEAL EXHAUSTED

Virgil Stalcup must die in the electric chair at Huntsville Monday, May 4th, 1936, according to formal sentence passed by Judge Clark M. Mullican of the 99th district court at Lubbock Thursday of last week. Stalcup was convicted February, 1935, for the murder of Sheriff W. B. Arthur in a jailbreak at Dickens, October 27, 1934. Clarence Brown, his companion in the same crime, is serving a 99-year sentence for murder in the same homicide.

The condemned man has been in the state penitentiary for safe keeping since his conviction. He was returned to Lubbock for formal sentence and to hear the date of his execution, by Dickens County Sheriff John Koonsman late Wednesday afternoon (last week). Defense attorneys asked Judge Mullican to grant a brief time in which to determine whether they had found additional legal resource in Stalcup's behalf. The request was granted, but only marked the last hopes of the condemned man, which has also resulted in the exhaustion of his last appeal to the court of criminal appeals.

Information received by this paper indicates that Stalcup has changed much during his stay at the Huntsville "Big House" where he has seen 19 men walk to their death in the electric chair.

He has embraced the Catholic faith and is said to have lost his bravado though he continues to say, "I am not guilty of the murder of Bill Arthur."

Sheriff Koonsman and deputies Sheriff Carpenter and Harrist left late Tuesday for Huntsville to return the man to Lubbock, arriving in the South Plains city about 5:00 o'clock Wednesday afternoon.

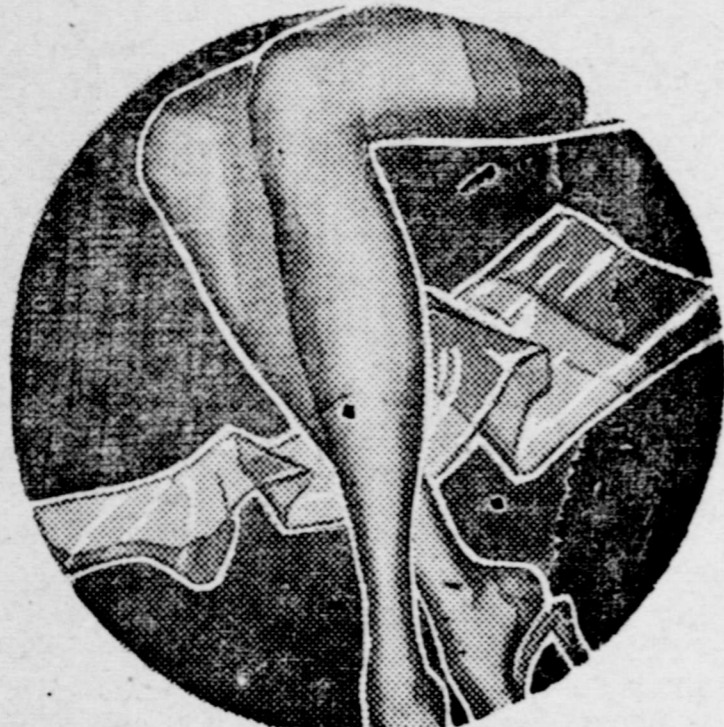
Sentence, passed Thursday, read "shall before the hour of sunrise on Monday, the fourth day of May, be electrocuted by causing to pass

through the body of said Virgil Stalcup a current of electricity of sufficient intensity to cause death and the application and continuance of such current through the body of Virgil Stalcup until he is dead."

Sheriff Arthur was shot fatally when Stalcup and Clarence Brown broke jail at Dickens, Oct. 27, 1934. Brown is serving life for his part in the crime. On change of venue, Stalcup was convicted by the 99th court at Lubbock last February 12th.

The condemned man has been returned to the death cell of the state penitentiary where he will await the execution date. His mother, Mrs. E. M. Stalcup, of Albuquerque, N. M., embraced him affectionately before officers placed him in an automobile for the return trip.

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Officers and Directors Re-Elected At West Texas Utilities Meet Held Last Week; Stockholders Hear Report

Reports from Bureau of Census and other Governmental Sources show that Electrical Service Costs Average 1-20th the Taxes the average Household Pays.

Complying With FPC

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Burns, of Elton, were greeting friends and trading in our city Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Arrington of Red Hill community were in town doing some trading Saturday.

All directors and officers of the West Texas Utilities company were re-elected for 1936 at the annual meeting of stockholders in Abilene last week, it is reported. Present or represented by proxy was 53 per cent of the preferred and 100 per cent of the common stock.

Those re-elected were: Price Campbell, President; F. W. Schroeder, vice president; Dan A. Gallagher, secretary-treasurer; Arthur Harker, assistant secretary; C. C. Sellers, assistant treasurer and R. M. Wolfe, auditor.

President Campbell submitted a report showing an income increase of \$121,377. He stated that his company is registered under the holding company bill and has been complying with all requests from the Federal Power Commission and the securities act thereunder. Contrary to the impression led by some articles forwarded out of Washington, there is no real hazard to this company in the T. V. A. or the little T. V. A. of the Brazos and the Colorado as yardsticks through comparative rates. If the company can't meet comparative rates on a fair basis, it should have no cause to complain, Mr. Campbell stated.

"This company will undersell, by more than 20 percent the T. V. A. power costs, if the public will be the umpire and insist that the accounting set up by the Federal Power Commission for the utilities, including interest, depreciation and taxes. Under such accounting, the costs of T. V. A. were recently estimated to be \$63.25 produce and distribute kilowatt year of prime sales—for which the T. V. A. proposes to collect from the user \$39. The Federal taxpayer, you and I even in this far off section, will be called upon to help shoulder the remaining \$24.25, let alone the indefinite but tremendous amount of lost taxes which have heretofore been paid by utilities in that area. One company alone which is to be destroyed contributed more than \$2,000,000 per year," Mr. Campbell pointed out.

"Contrary to general impression, the T. V. A. decision was not an adverse decision to this company as it was only a decision on the Wilson dam and restricted to that dam in the plea of the 'government lawyers,'" was the president's expression of the company's view point.

He also explained the difference in dams built for power purposes and those constructed to control flood waters and serve as irrigation projects. In reviewing it was pointed out that more than 51 per cent of the preferred stockholders were residents of West Texas.

A review of the report just received from the Federal Power Commission rates was made which disclosed that West Texas Utilities company's net average residential rates are below that of the average over the nation and for the state of Texas, and

Local People Serve As Crosbyton Judges

A number of teachers in Dickens County were invited to Crosbyton Friday and Friday night to serve as judges in the county try-outs in declamation, story telling, singing and other events. Those of the county who went were W. O. Cherry, superintendent of schools at McAdoo; C. W. Giesecke, principal of high school at Patton Springs; Miss Nina Landers, of the English department of the SSPur High School; Mrs. Leille Van Dyke, grade teacher in Spur schools; and Mrs. Madge D. Twaddell, County Superintendent of Schools.

They report a good time and stated there were many interesting contests during the day and the night.

Last Rites Held Mrs. Willie Scott

Mrs. Willie Scott, 46, died at her home in Dickens last Saturday evening about 7:00 o'clock after an illness of about three weeks. Mrs. Scott suffered a paralytic stroke about three weeks before her demise and then two other strokes followed which proved fatal.

Funeral services were held at the Church of Christ in Dickens at three o'clock Sunday afternoon. Rev. Bishop of Crosbyton, read the funeral rites. Interment followed in Dickens cemetery with Kellett & Marlowe in charge.

Mrs. Scott was born in Haskell County August 5, 1889, and came to Dickens County when she was about 18 months of age. She was a daughter of the late Judge and Mrs. W. C. Ballard and was considered one of the early settlers of this county, the family moving here before the county was organized. She had lived in Dickens about 45 years.

She was a sister to Mr. J. H. Meadors at Dickens. She leaves one son, Billy Scott, and a number of nieces and nephews.

Active pallbearers were: Jack Gipsom, Harold Blair, Robert Reynolds, Grady Moss, Fred Arrington and A. C. Sharp.

Flower bearers were Mrs. Robert Reynolds, Mrs. Harold Blair, and Misses Kanna and Wilma Stephens.

SINGING AT GIRARD SUNDAY

The Kent County Singing convention will meet at Girard next Sunday afternoon, beginning at 1:30 o'clock. Every one is invited to attend and bring your song books. We are expecting a large crowd and a good time. Come.

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below that of similar sized communities and 17 pct. below that of the average of all municipal plants in the State of Texas, even though it pays large amounts of taxes to the various governing bodies. Payments made in taxes this previous year was 60 per cent more than was paid to all stockholders. Electric service costs average about 1-20th the taxes the average household pays in various ways, according to the Bureau of Census and other governmental sources.

Following the adjournment of stockholders renamed members of the board held their regular business meeting.

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Earl Van Meter's Baby Beef Wins both Junior and Senior Honors, to Mark Second Year This County Receives Same Honor.

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For the second time in so many years the grand championship in the baby beef division of Lubbock Quality Meat Show was a Dickens County product. Earl Van Meter, of McAdoo, brought back both the junior and grand championship for his entry last week, while last year Durwood Picken calf won the same honor in the same show.

Van Meter's calf sold to the Phillips Petroleum company at the auction for sixty-six cents per pound.

Van Meter, however, was not the only McAdoo representative who brought back honors. Eloe Harris won the wool championship and the reserve grand championship in the lamb division. J. J. Griffin took third in the fine wool lamb division and Lemone Cypert sixth. Harold Elder took sixth in Mutton, and fifth in the heavy pig division. Rudolph McLaughlin placed sixth with his heavy pig. With light pigs Darris Egger took fourth. Nuge Rose placed fourth with the best litter of five or more.

Other awards to Dickens county 4-H club boys and vocational agriculture students included fifth and sixth places respectively to Buck Martin and Woodrow McArthur of Spur in the junior class beef division. W. F. Ragland, of Afton, took 9th place in the same event. In senior class beef Jessie Byars of Afton fourth and Fred Neavers of Spur 10th.

In light pig division award was made to David Robertson of Afton for seventh place honors. Eddie Hall of Afton took fifth for pig litter of five or more.

Dickens county was declared winner of first place in the county groups of five calves.

The contest this year was reported to have been 20 per cent larger than any previous contests, when a total of 381 high school students competed in 127 teams. They came from 50 West Texas and New Mexico towns.

W. J. Bryant of the Stamford office of Bryant-Link Company, was in our city Tuesday looking over the affairs of the local Bryant-Link store.

Mrs. Dick Speer, who had been in Mineral Wells the past two weeks, returned home Monday. Mr. Speers went down Sunday to accompany her back.

Mrs. Horton Barrett and son, Marvin, of Santa Fee, N. Mexico, are here visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Barrett.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Parker left Tuesday for Hereford where they will make their home. They have many friends here who regret to see them leave our city.

Pre-Easter Services In Progress at Local Christian Church

The services at the First Christian Church Sunday morning was the beginning of a week of pre-Easter services. Every night this week services have been held and will continue on through the week except Saturday night. The services last Sunday were intended more for the congregation and visitors, but all of the week services have been participated in by other denominations.

There will be a sunrise Easter service at the Christian Church next Sunday morning beginning about six o'clock. A program for this service has been arranged and there will be a number of short talks made by different ones. Several churches are joining in this service as well as other services this week.

Tonight (Thursday) Rev. Edwards will bring a message on the Lord's Supper as it was observed in the upper room. He has made much study on this particular sacrament and is able to give people some good information on it. This was the Day of Fellowship of the disciples and the Saviour.

Friday night Rev. Edwards will bring another message using as his subject "The Day of Suffering." No services Saturday night.

None of these services will be sectarian in their nature and everybody is invited to attend any and all of them. Rev. J. Melvin Jones, of the Spur Methodist Circuit, brought a fine message Tuesday night, using as his subject "The Day of Controversy." Rev. C. V. Allen brought a fine message last night using as his subject "The Day of Retirement." Every message during the week has been instructive and intended to assist the people to understand more about the Bible teachings on Easter.

RED HILL AGRICULTURE CLUB MET TUESDAY

The Red Hill Agriculture Club held their regular meeting Tuesday night with Chairman Roy Arrington in charge. The new farm program was discussed and the meeting night changed to the first Thursday night of each month.

There were 16 present: Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Grantham, Tobe Westfall, Roy Williams, Don Brewster, Harvey Blevins, Milton Young, Floy Watson, Emory Shugart, Ira Westfall, F. E. Renze, Clyde Horn, Olen Horn, Lawrence Walker and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Arrington.

FORMER SPUR MAN IS ELECTED LUBBOCK MAYOR

In the city election Tuesday, Ross Edwards, a former Spur business man was re-elected mayor of Lubbock for another two year term. Mr. Edwards succeeds himself and made the race strictly upon his past record.

F. L. Terry was elected mayor of Dickens Tuesday. Z. W. Fowler, who was mayor, had moved away and Mr. Terry was elected in his place. Dennis Harkey and Willow Street were elected commissioners, giving Dickens three very fine men on the city board of directors.

Spur's Conference Football Schedule 1936 Announced

With the 1936 football season still approximately six months off, the Spur Bulldogs are already taking up the war-talk and making plans to win the south half of district 4-B. At a meeting of coaches and school officials held at Matador Wednesday night of last week, district 4-B was divided into two regions, namely the south and north loops. In the same loop with Spur is Matador, Paducah and Floydada who go to compose the south half.

At the same time a conference schedule was worked out where the four south half teams will have conference games on the same dates. This arrangement leaves no team playing two conference games in so many weeks. The winner of Spur's half of the district will meet the winner of the north half, composed of Silvertown, Turkey, Lockney and Quitaque, on Thanksgiving day for the district 4-B championship.

This arrangement was made for several reasons. It gives each team a championship game to work for, rather than the usual percentage system or winners. It gives the weaker teams in the north half a better chance to advance further in the competitive race. And, Spur as well as other conference teams, will be in position to book more practice games than in years past.

Head coach of the Bulldogs, "Blackie" Wadzech, stated the first of this week that proposed games are already booked with Snyder, Roby, Slaton, Roscoe and other schools of this area to sandwich the regular conference schedule with Matador here the night of October 16; Floydada there the night of October 30, and Paducah here on Wednesday, Nov. 11 (day game.) Dates and sites for the conference games had not been arranged early this week however, but it is expected that definite announcement may be made within ten days.

Approximately twenty-five boys have already been "invited" to join the spring training ranks, with about five more due to receive "bids," according to the local coaching staff. Only a choice number is to be considered for grid work this year. There will be two divisions of candidates, "those who try and show promise" and "those who neither try nor show promise," according to present plans of the staff.

The first class will receive suits and equipment along with every bit of consideration the coaches can show. They will be taught the fundamentals of orthodox football, and other basic trainings that they might need. The second class will be dismissed without equipment and asked to remain

A. A. Stephens, of Abernathy, was in our city Wednesday attending to business and greeting friends.

Mrs. Farrell Albin, nee Patti Anne King, has accepted a position with the local office of the West Texas Utilities Company.

away from the practice field.

"Leftie" and I only want those who are going to make an honest attempt to play football, and at the same time have reason enough to follow orders and instructions" the head coach told the Times. "We have a tough season ahead of us in 1936, and do not have time to waste on those who have no intentions of working hard."

With only six lettermen back for next year, the squad will be made up of mostly green material and much work is ahead of the Bulldogs if they win the crown of the south half for the rights to play the Thanksgiving day championship game.

McAdoo

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Holmes have returned from Center Point, Texas, where they spent several days visiting relatives.

Mr. Charles Baker and George Potts made a business trip to Hobbs, N. M., recently.

Mrs. Henry Elder's parents of Lamasa were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elder over the week end two weeks ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Eldredge, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Fox and Mrs. J. T. Brantly went to Mart, Texas, recently to see relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Eldredge plan to remain for an extended visit with Mrs. Eldredge's parents who live there.

Ashborn Fox has returned home from Fort Sill, Okla., where he has

been enlisted in the army. Mr. S. T. Dennis is now proprietor of the Eagle Cafe, formerly operated by Roy Isaacs and Raymond Eldredge. Mr. Goldie and Jockey Tooke made a business trip to Dallas the first of last week.

Durley Wooten and Mary Francis Van Meter, students of Texas Tech, were here to attend the funeral of Chester Clark.

Chew Dozier of Afton has returned home after attending the Clark funeral, and visiting with relatives, T. L. Dozier and family for a few days.

Mr. Ned Hogan and Dr. Bob Alexander accompanied Dr. M. H. Brannon to Temple Sunday where Dr. Alexander visited in the hospital there. Mr. Hogan visited his mother in Belton.

Mrs. W. B. Bennett left Monday for Jonesboro to attend the funeral of her sister-in-law, Mrs. W. C. Kellam, who passed away Monday afternoon.



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SOCIETY and CLUBS

BERT CHERRY HONORED

Mrs. Bert Cherry entertained with a surprise birthday dinner at her home March 29th, 1936, honoring her husband and mother.

Friends and relatives present were: Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Corenluis and children, Marlin and Ima, of Rotan...

WILL HONOR HER MOTHER ON EASTER SUNDAY

Mrs. Robert Boyer is planning to honor her mother, Mrs. T. C. Morgan, with a birthday dinner next Sunday.

A. T. BURAL HAS BIRTHDAY

Mrs. A. T. Bural gave her husband a surprise Sunday by preparing a fine birthday dinner for him at their home in Duck Creek community...

MOTHERS AND DAUGHTERS BANQUET

A mothers and daughters banquet was held in the basement of the Methodist Church on last Wednesday evening.

The tables were beautifully decorated with bowls of lilacs. Attractive place cards bearing verses about a mother and a daughter were used.

Members of the Board of Stewards prepared and served the meal which consisted of stew, fried oysters, pickles, lettuce, crackers, hot tea and cherry ice cream.

A committee composed of Mesdames H. C. Foot, G. J. Lane, Maurice Castello, and Mack Tidwell arranged the following program.

THURSDAY BRIDGE CLUB

Mrs. O. C. Thomas was hostess to members of the Thursday Bridge Club last week. After several rubbers of contract, table prizes were awarded...

Delicious refreshments were served to Mesdames F. W. Jennings, Jack Rector, J. C. McNeill III, W. T. Andrews, D. L. Granberry, Floyd McArthur, Sam Clemmons and Dan Zachry.

MRS. J. C. PARKER HONORED

A party reflecting the Easter motif was given by Mrs. C. L. Love on Saturday evening when she named as her honor guest Mrs. J. C. Parker...

Progressive bridge furnished the evenings diversion. At the close of the games Mrs. Parker received a lovely gift from the hostess.

MRS. WADZECH GIVES PATRIOTIC PARTY

An outstanding party of last week was given by Mrs. G. B. Wadzech on Saturday afternoon, when she entertained members of the Triple Troy Club...

A red, white and blue color scheme was used throughout the entertainment. Tallies and score pads carried the picture of Uncle Sam.

In the games Mrs. Tillinghast and Mrs. Clemmons were high. Mrs. Tillinghast received a blue creamer and sugar and Mrs. Clemmons a yellow vase.

A lovely refreshment plate of creamed chicken, radishes, stuffed celery, olives, snacks, and punch was served. Miniature flags were used as plate favors.

Those enjoying Mrs. Wadzech's hospitality were: Mesdames L. D. Ratliff, Burgess Brown, Lewis Rochet, E. D. Engleman, George Tillinghast, Buster Parrish, Sam Clemmons, Erial Scott, and Miss Leonora Lis-enby.

DICKEY KINNEY CELEBRATES SEVENTH BIRTHDAY

Dickey Kinney invited a number of his little friends to his home on Thursday afternoon to help celebrate his seventh birthday.

Many games and contests were enjoyed by the children, but the main entertainment of the afternoon was an Easter egg hunt. D. Eon Priest was lucky in finding the largest number of eggs.

After the hunt the children went inside where the gifts were opened and viewed.

Cake and jello was served to the children to conclude the party and each received an attractive plate favor which further carried out the Easter idea.

LEAGUE HAS SOCIAL

Members of the Epworth League and a few guests met in the basement of the Methodist Church Thursday evening for their monthly social hour.

A picnic lunch was served after which all attended the show.

Guests were: Mrs. Violet McKnight, Julia Jo Reed, Doris Arthur, Helen Hale and Fred Kinney.

Members present were: Nedra Hogan, Isabelle Campbell, Winifred Bell, Evelyn Ivey, Venita Briley, Mrs. Netha Campbell, Alton McCully, Billy Koon, and Jack Ensey.

1917 STUDY CLUB

"Transportation and Commerce" was the topic of discussion in the 1917 Study Club on Tuesday afternoon when they met with Mrs. Frank Laverty.

Mrs. J. E. Berry was leader. Roll call was answered with "Notable Events in Aviation." The following discussions were given:

Water—Mrs. E. L. Adams. Land—Mrs. Nellie Davis. Air—Mrs. McGee.

Mrs. Laverty, delegate to the District Convention at Lubbock last week, gave an interesting report of the convention.

The club is pleased to report that Mrs. V. V. Parr of Pitchfork Ranch has accepted membership with them.

1933 STUDY CLUB

Mrs. Pat Paterson was hostess to the 1933 Study Club on Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. F. F. Vernon presided over a business session.

On account of sickness, the delegate to the District Convention of Federated Clubs was unable to make her report.

A parliamentary drill was conducted by Mrs. R. C. Crockett.

Sandwiches, pie and hot tea were served to Mesdames Charlie Powell, Jack McCulley, Thurmond Moore, Williard, M. D. Ivey, Frank Watson, A. C. Arthur, F. F. Vernon and R. C. Crockett.

W. M. S.

Members of the Woman's Missionary Society met at the home of Mrs. M. A. Lea on Monday afternoon with twenty present.

Mrs. Payne conducted the devotional bringing out the Easter lesson as given by Luke.

Mrs. Koon gave a "Historical Survey of Stewardship," preparatory to the introduction of the new study course which Mrs. McCulley presented.

After the business meeting, the society adjourned to convene next Monday in social meeting at the home of Mrs. John King.

PATTON SPRINGS GIRLS START ORCHARDS

A check of the orchard work in the Patton Springs girls club Wednesday morning shows that 213 grape and berry vines and fruit trees have been set this spring in the start toward family orchards.

One goal for the cooperators in the orchard work this year is to set four grape or berry vines, four plum trees and save twelve good seeds for planting.

Seventy of the above number were grapes and 43 were berries. The others were plums and other fruits.

Members present were: Della Dean Baxter, Tommie Bridge, Alvertia Butler, Ruth Pierce, Bobbie Randolph, Leona Rogers, Goldie Lee Smiley, Dolly Jo Thannish, Monez Woods and Francis Mae Madden.

Goldie Lee Smiley, Reporter.

GIRLS RALLY A SUCCESS

The first meeting of the club girls in a county-wide rally, Saturday afternoon at the East Ward school auditorium, Spur, was well attended for the first meeting.

The girls modeled the slips or pajamas they have made as the first goal in their clothing work. A second rally will be held in June at which time the girls will model the school dresses they are making.

At that time each club will give a fifteen minute program.

Club girls present Saturday with slip or pajamas were: Alvertia Butler, Tommie Bridge, and Leona Rogers, Patton Springs Club; Katherine Sharp, Fern Bazer and Elsie Franklin, Prairie Chapel; Francis and Nadyne Brewer, Christine and Maxine Sandlin, Eula B. McMahon, and Charlie Rae Holloway, Espuela; Myra Nell Neeley, Clara Rich, Juanita Rose, and Miss Hazel Moore, sponsor, McAdoo.

BELLE BENNETT SOCIETY

The Belle Bennett Missionary Society met on Monday afternoon at 3:30 in the basement of the Methodist Church.

Mrs. Mack Tidwell conducted an interesting discussion on "The Christian Ideals for America," and "Home Mission Reaches Out."

The group was dismissed by the benediction.

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GIRLS PLAN CLOTHING

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MRS. W. R. WEAVER INSPIRES TEACHERS

Mrs. W. R. Weaver of Spur addressed members of the Beta Gamma chapter of the Delta Kappa Gamma Sorority and their guests in Vernon Saturday, April 4th, in the home of Mrs. Y. H. Barbasin of 2705 Yamparika street at a seated tea.

Mrs. Weaver spoke on The Certification of Texas Teachers and delivered her thoughts with such sympathetic understanding and conviction that her audience was not only interested and pleased but also inspired to continue in the work of advancing the qualifications of teachers.

Mrs. Weaver spent a short time in the home of Miss Johnnie Shirley at 1818 Mesquite street, Vernon, and visited i Oklahoma before returning to Spur Sunday afternoon.

AFTON METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. J. Melvin Jones, circuit pastor, will conduct services at the church at both morning and evening hours. Sunday school at 10 a. m.; Young people's service at seven-thirty.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Hindman, of Wilson Draw, were in Saturday doing some trading. Mr. Hindman stated the farm is keeping him busy now.

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GIRLS COMPLETE GOAL

Eight of the fourteen Espuela 4-H club girls have completed their slips or pajamas, and six of them were on exhibit at the rally Saturday.

A clothing plan including the clothing needed for a year, was made by each member in the club meeting Monday morning at the home of the sponsor, Mrs. F. B. Crockett.

Members present were: Geneva Dutton, Charlie Rae and Lois Holloway, Odell James, Eula B. McMahon, Elaine and Mildred Neaves, Christine and Maxine Sandlin, Naga Carol Spivey and the sponsor Mrs. F. B. Crockett.

Eula B. McMahon, Reporter

A SURPRISE PARTY

Sunday, March 29, the ladies of the Croton community prepared their lunch and took it as a surprise dinner to the home of L. G. Crabtree as an act of appreciation that would make him happier. Every one had a wonderful time.

Those who had a part in this event were: Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Guey, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Butler and daughter, Alveria; Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Lambert, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Legg, Mrs. D. H. Dunn, Mrs. Sam Koonsman, Miss Jennie Legg, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Smith and children, Clarence, Gwendolyn and Emma Lou of Wichita; Mr. and Mrs. Riley Rogers, Mrs. Lillie Pillows and children, Alta, Garland and Raymond; Mrs. J. R. Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Rogers and children, Ina Leone, Betty and Jimmie Elmer Matheny, T. F. Rogers of Altus, Okla.; Mrs. R. L. Littlefield and Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Jackson and children, Victor Louis and Allene.

It proved a happy occasion for Mr. Crabtree.

—One Who Was There.

PARSONS-DENTON NUPTIALS

Edwin Denton and Mrs. Annie Mae Parsons were quietly married at the home of Rev. J. V. Bilberry on West Harris Street last Thursday.

Rev. Bilberry read the nuptial rites in the presence of a few friends.

Mr. Denton is one of the leading farmers in the Dry Lake country and is a highly respected citizen. Mrs. Denton has been living in Spur and is a nurse by profession. She is a lady of good business tact and possesses those rare charms which make her a good life companion.

Mr. and Mrs. Denton are at home to their many friends in the Dry Lake community where he will continue his farming business.

The Times leads with news.

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* Our Opinion Is *

That if many of us would let thought instead of notions occupy our minds that we would be much happier and more useful.



Says He Hates To Die!

Virgil Stalcup, convicted slayer of the late Sheriff W. B. Arthur, recently stated that he hates to die. The statement was made in a letter to his mother and is: "I hate to die just when I have learned to be close to you and see the purpose in living." The statement is pitiable in its entirety.

But such is life. So many young men spend the important years of their lives going about sowing what is termed "wild oats" and even if they are not faced with a prison sentence they lose so much of the real pleasures that our Maker has intended for us. Mr. Stalcup, who is just barely getting into his manhood, must meet his acts of life in the Great Beyond, according to a judicial decree, and by sentiment of society, people feel he is guilty. He thought he was having a great time going about over the country doing first one thing and then another, probably ignoring the tender advice of that mother whom he now counts so dear. At this time, probably, if he could turn backward a few pages of his life, with the knowledge that he now has, he would live to make his mother happy and would cherish her endearing petitions and respect her as a son should respect his mother. In addition he probably would gain the respect and high admiration of society, and all along be able to point a few milestones of usefulness—a life of service to his fellow man.

Now, since he has made peace with his Creator and has learned of the precious and noble things in life, he must leave it all and pay the penalty society holds against him. It is a pity that he did not learn of the greater things before he became complicated in crime. It is the great duty of every young man and every young lady to learn how to live—to select a high objective in life and strive to reach it. People who are reaching upward toward higher ideals never have time, or thought, to look downward at the trash piles. Young Stalcup's statement in his letters to that dear, sad mother, should be a warning to others, and should teach them there are too many great things to live for to waste a life in crime.

Hauptmann Is Gone!

Hauptmann is gone, and with his going the Lindberg kidnaping case becomes history unless the exception happens. After following the testimony in the trial throughout there has been no doubt but what Hauptmann was guilty as charged. Yet, we believe that he is not the only person connected with that case. We believe there are others, and we had hoped that the death penalty assessed against Hauptmann might be commuted to life imprisonment. Hauptmann knew about the others, and had he been permitted to serve a term in penal servitude, he probably would have disclosed all secrets in later years. With a death penalty hanging over him and with no chance of escape he felt that he had just as well save the others by not revealing them and go on and pay the debt society held against him. We will always believe that after a period of years Hauptmann would have given out all secrets in this case had he been permitted to live.

"Bryant-Link's building in Spur recently was decorated with a cattle scene that is pretty doggone good art when viewed from the proper angle and in the proper light," says the Plainsman (Chas. Guy) in the Lubbock Journal.

Bits 'o Nothing from Nowhere!

If it is true what we have been told about this area not being included in the "Dust Bowl," then the real victims must have been turning the bowl over and blowing its contents right into our face just for spite.

There is another thing about West Texas, so different from other parts of the country. We have weather the year around. We never know when we put the cat out at night if it needs mud guards, snow shoes, electric fan or just a pair of sand goggles for protection until bacon and egg time.

In commenting on recent sand storms Jeane Suits, in the Lockney Beacon says, "I dare not tell my opinion of this country right now, for fear of being labeled a Panhandle traitor and sentenced to suffocate at the hands of the next prodigious duster."



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Local Man's Father
Passes After Long
Illness in Stamford

James Lee Wilemon, father of Cash Wilemon of this city, passed away at his home in Stamford last Wednesday, March 31, after several weeks illness. Services were held from the St. John's Methodist Church Thursday afternoon with Rev. E. A. Reed officiating. Burial was made in Highland cemetery at Stamford.

Mr. Wilemon was 53 years old last March 4th, and had been a resident of Stamford 19 years. He was district salesman for the Selig company, Dallas, and winner of high honors as a worthy representative of his firm.

He is survived by his widow, Mabel Salisbury Wilemon, whom he married on March 4, 1905, at Hico, Texas, a son Cash, who is connected with the Spur Motor Company of this city, and a grand son, Cash Caraway. His mother, Mrs. P. R. Wilemon resides at San Angelo. Two brothers and five sisters also survive.

Cash Wilemon went to Stamford early last week and remained with his father until the last. Following the funeral services Thursday the local

Pansy-McAdoo Vote on
School Consolidation

An election has been ordered in the school districts of Pansy and McAdoo to be held Saturday, May 2, to determine whether these two districts desire to consolidate for school purposes. An election held three weeks ago among the districts of McAdoo Wake and Pansy failed because the Wake District voted not to co-operate in a consolidation movement.

Pansy and McAdoo districts have petitioned the County Board of Education for an election for the two districts. These districts voted favorably in the other election and it seems that practically all the citizens in the territory designated are in favor of joining in order have better schools.

man's mother returned to Sur with him, planning to remain here for a days before returning to Stamford.

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CHURCH IMPROVEMENTS

An improvement worthy of mention is the work being done on the lawn and curb at the Spur First Methodist Church, under the supervision of Pastor E. L. Yates. A native stone curbing is being placed along the walk, which serve as a soil retainer for the lawn on the south side of the building. Plans, according to the pastor, are for a hedge to be planted in such position to the building and lawn as to provide a wall between the grounds and the main street. When the project is completed members will have ample grounds to serve their out-of-doors social needs this summer.

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Men may cry that the faith of our fathers is losing power; that in these troubled times the beliefs of our pioneer parents have failed us. But, Spring itself, with life and new hopes showing in every tree and every flower; is ample proof and emplification of the promised resurrection from the grave of this earthly life.

Spur churches plan special Easter Sunday services, as their small part in the celebration of the resurrection.

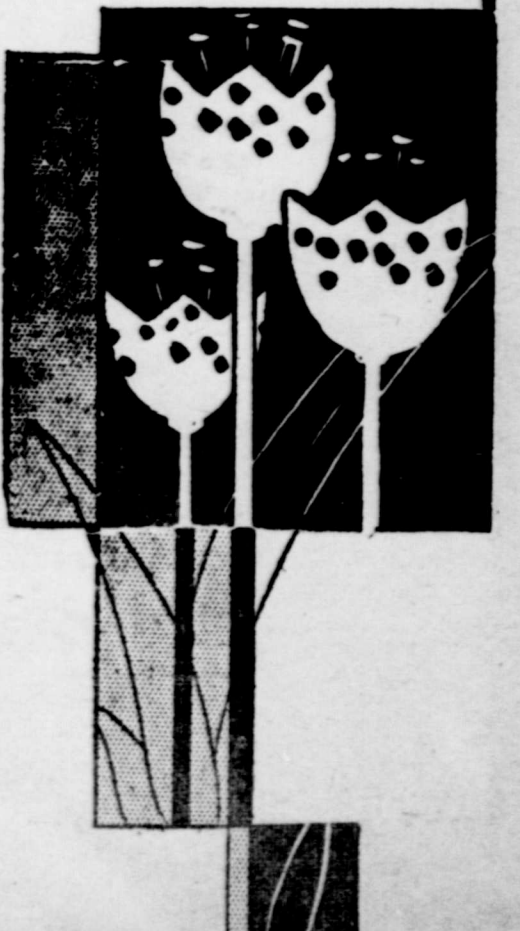
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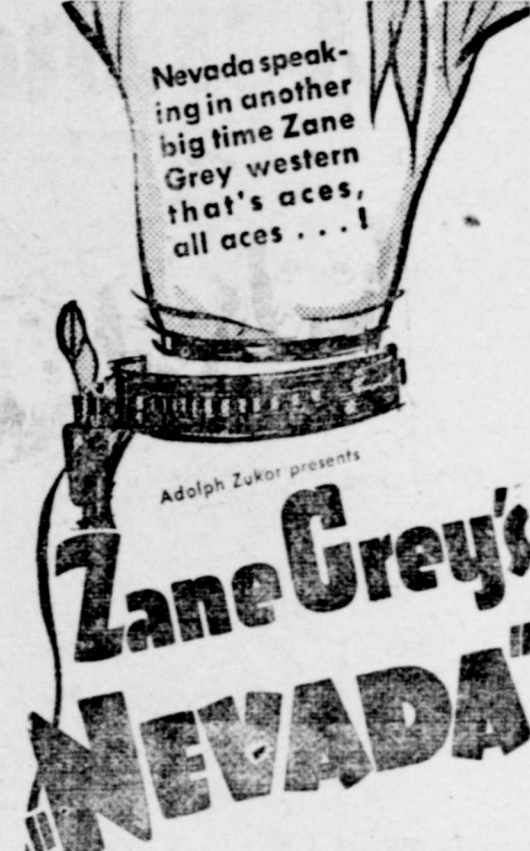
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Local P-T. In Regular Monthly Meeting

The local Parent-Teachers organization will hold their regular monthly meeting next Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the Junior High school. Pupils of Junior High school will give a program lasting about 15 minutes. The subject for discussion at the meeting is "Boy and Girl Conduct." Mrs. E. W. Mars will discuss the subject "Early Boy and Girl Guidance." In addition to the program the Association will be asked to select 15 delegates to the District Conference which meets in Spur Friday and Saturday of next week. There will be other business to transact at the meeting. It is the hope that there will be a big attendance at the meeting Tuesday afternoon. It is important since there will be arrangements for the District Conference discussed.

MADE AN ECONOMICAL DRIVE

This week Sheriff Koonsman stated that he drove his Ford car to Huntsville and returned, a distance of 1175 miles, and used 52 gallons of gasoline. He made the calculations and said he averaged 22 3/5 miles per gallon on the drive. He returned from Huntsville Friday after assisting state officers in taking Virgil Stalcup back to prison.

Dickens

Guy Fellmey has all of his land ready for the 1936 crop. Miss Beatrice Anderson went to see Ruth Chatterton and Otto Kruger in "Lady of Secrets." It was a good show. Wayne Price and wife were in Spur Trade Dollar Day. Hal Parker was a Spur visitor the last of the week. Emily Beachley was a Spur visitor the last of the week. Bill Carroll is able to be back at work in the shoe shop. Mrs. W. J. Clark left Sunday afternoon for an extended visit in New Mexico. Nanbell Speer was a Spur visitor the last of the week. Mrs. Fay Lusk and children, of Plains, have been visiting relatives at Dickens. Cotton Anderson is able to be up after suffering from a severe cold. Marlin Rogers and Guy Fellmey are improving the Harvey place with some real good terraces. It has been reported that the fruit in Dickens community has been killed by the cold weather. The rumor is going that the CCC is going to give some more of our boys jobs for a while. Carbon Paper at the Times Office.

Spur Scouters Will Attend Lubbock School Next Week

Spur is one of the ten town of this area expected to have representatives as enrolled students in the Scouters University at Lubbock on the evenings of April 13 to 17th, it is reported. Over one hundred men and women had enrolled for the various courses in the school, early this week. This is a most excellent response, ten days before the opening of the school, it is understood. Most of the registration will be turned in this week and the opening evening of the school, university officials believe.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

Rev. V. B. Atterberry, our District Superintendent, will be here and preach for us Thursday evening, April 9, at 7:30 p.m. Everybody is cordially invited to attend this service.

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