

**WITH THE WILD CATS**



WORLD'S FIRST OIL WELL



Drilled in Titusville Penn. 1859

The Carter No. 1, on the McMan place in Section 319 is drilling at 570 feet in sandy shale. A nice rainbow was encountered at 465 feet but not enough to furnish production. The well is being drilled by Sossamon and Son.

The Gulf No. 1 Swenson on Section 25 H&GNRRCo. Survey, Block No. 2, in the northeast corner of Garza county, is drilling around 2,500 feet. This is to be an 8,500 foot test. They have used a full carload of casing, two carloads of drilling clay and four carloads of cement and there will be much more used before the well will have reached the contract depth.

The Morrissey No. 1 on section 290, Bird Ranch, is drilling about 2,320 mark in grey lime. Indications are looking good for this well.

The Dolman, et al, No. 1, on Section 50, T&GNRRCo. Survey, Block No. 2, located on C. V. O'Keefe land, is just started to drilling. They were 40 feet yesterday afternoon. This is a 3,700 foot contract and is being drilled by the largest type of Wichita Spudder.

The Swanson No. 1, Carlisle, eight miles northwest of Peacock, has changed from a rotary to a cable tool rig and is drilling a little below the 3,500 foot mark. The report came yesterday that the well had blown in, but this report could not be verified. They are hoping to make a well out of this.

The Mills-Bennett No. 1, Montgomery, a few miles south of Floydada is drilling close to the 4,700 mark and in lime. This well has made some good showings and it is hoped to reach production around 5,500 feet.

The English-Jackson No. 1, north of Turkey in Hall county is drilling below the 1,200 foot mark and is in lime. Some very nice rainbows have appeared and geology is favorable for production. This is a 5,000 foot contract. Cable tools are being used.

DeBrill and Patton are to start a well soon on the J. S. Strible land, ten miles west of Roby.

Stanilind Oil and Gas Company have a block lease in northwest part of Lubbock county and will start a well soon, and the Humble Company has a block just east of Lubbock on which they expect to start operations soon.

Bond Jones, of Amarillo, is in our community this week looking after getting a well started. He stated Tuesday that he is ready to move in machinery and expects to get everything ready within a few days.

M. M. Aingell, representative of the Pure Oil Company, was in our city Tuesday meeting friends. Mr.

## County Track Meet To Be At Spur

### Much Support Given Times Wildcat Edition

You Are Very Kind To Us

The Dickens County Times, from the editor-janitor up, want to thank the people of our town and all those firms in West Texas who have cooperated with us in getting out this issue. This edition is supposed to contain information that will be of interest to our readers and we assure you that everything relative to the oil situation in the territory around Spur has been reported as it has been given out from headquarters.

We still say that the people of Spur and West Texas are the best to be found in the entire United States. We have never gone to you in any worthy enterprise but what you have stood by us in every respect.

There are reports on many wells drilled in the county that we are having to leave out. We did not have time nor the privilege of securing the information relative to the Deep-Rock test. Neither did we have time or opportunity to check up on the work of the well on the 24-ranch. The well on the pitchfork Ranch might have had something very interesting to the people because that territory has the showings for an oil field, but we could not get to that information in a manner that would be a credit to this edition. Be assured, all that has been said, is the profound opinion of geologist who have spent time in this country, and the records are open to everybody if you know where to get them.

We want to join our friends in wishing that this country will be developed and that Spur and the surrounding territory will come into their own. It is our purpose to keep up with the oil situation. We enjoy it far more than we enjoy politics because we want to do things that will help the country. Again, we thank you for your very kind cooperation and we expect to continue for the advancement of this country as long as we are here.

The Editor-Janitor.

### Delta Kappa Gamma For Dickens County

At a regional meeting in Lubbock with the Alpha Sigma Chapter of Delta Gamma as hostess March 28, a new chapter, Gamma Eta, was organized for Motley, Cottle, King, Kent and Dickens counties.

A beautiful ceremony, directed by state and national officers, was used for new members of Delta Kappa Gamma to be initiated and become members of other chapters as well as members of Gamma Eta. Dickens county teachers initiated at this impressive ceremony were: Miss Lillie Gentry of Afton, Miss Mildred Holt of Afton, Miss Virginia Elliot of Spur and Mrs. W. R. Weaver of Spur.

The officials for the new chapter are:

President, Miss Margaret Elliot, of Afton; First Vice President, Mrs. W. C. Stubbs, of Paducah; Second Vice President, Mrs. Earl C. Jones, of Paducah; Recording Secretary, Miss Lillie Gentry, of Afton; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Edith Cavness, of Spur; Parliamentarian, Miss Thersia Godfrey, of Paducah.

Miss Cavness transferred to the new chapter from Mineral Wells and Miss Margaret Elliot transferred from Vernon.

A meeting has been planned at the home of Mrs. W. R. Weaver in Spur Tuesday evening, April 5, at eight o'clock.

Aingell feels that Dickens county is due much consideration from an oil development viewpoint.

### R. H. Eskridge For Justice of Peace Prec. 1

R. H. Eskridge is announcing his candidacy for the Office of Justice of the Peace for Precinct No. 1. In making the announcement Mr. Eskridge stated that he is in a position to devote his entire time to the duties of the office if elected, and that he expects to inform himself in every respect to take care of the duties of the office. He has been a citizen of Dickens county for more than 20 years and knows the needs and conditions of this country. He stated he is making the race strictly on his merits as a citizen, and if elected will do his best to make the best Justice of the Peace that Precinct No. 1 has ever had. He solicits your votes and influence for the office.

### Historic Emblem Found Recently

The famous flag, made by women volunteer workers of the old Houston Bayou region, was found this week by William H. McDonald, state land commissioner. The historic emblem was found within ten miles of his home town of Eastland. He has been looking for it for years.

It is the hope of McDonald that who probably has spent more time than any other state official in reviving the romanticism of Texas history, that the famous flag can be obtained for the State Capitol.

Being, as he is, a remote relative of the famous Ranger Captain "Bill McDonald," the land commissioner has spent many of his days of office delving into Texas history extending from the days before the Alamo through the Civil War.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Street, former citizens of Dickens, but for the past several months have been making their home in the valley, are here visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Street of Dickens and other relatives and friends.

### Spur Has Best Mail Service of Any Town Its Size In West Texas

Probably Spur has the best mail service of any town its size in the west. Mails arrive twice daily from Lubbock, one mail at six o'clock in the morning and another mail at 10:45 each morning. These two mails are seven days per week. Six days per week mails arrive from Post at 12:00 o'clock, noon; from Roaring Springs at 12:30 p.m. and from Stamford by train at 12:45 p. m.

Mails leave Spur daily for Lubbock seven days per week at 6:05 each morning and at 4:30 each afternoon. Six days per week, every day except Sunday, mails leave for Roaring Springs at 1:50 p.m.; Post at 2:00 p.m. and for Stamford by railroad at 3:15 p.m.

This service has been added by the postal department as the town has grown. In 1935 Spur had two star routes six days per week, one to Roaring Springs and one to Post; and one mail on the railroad six days per week. At that time a postal clerk went on duty at 8:09 each morning and there was no service after six o'clock. Now a clerk is on duty every morning at 5:30 and there is a window service until six o'clock every afternoon.

A letter may be posted in Spur as late as 4:15 p.m. any day and will be dispatched that day. Letters posted after 4:15 are sent out

### Spur To Sponsor Practice Meet Apr. 5

So that athletes may have some training between County and District meets the Spur school is sponsoring an invitation tournament to be held at the Charles A. Jones Memorial Stadium Tuesday night, April 5, beginning at 7:30. This Meet will be for Senior Track and Field events only, and will be run off within two hours. The winners in County Meets who will participate in District Meet are being invited.

Schools which have been invited to send contestants are: Girard, Jayton, Peacock, Swenson, Aspermont, Rotan, Roby, Post, Crosbyton, Ralls, Lorenzo, Idalou, Matarador McAdoo, Dickens, Patton Springs, Floydada and Paducah.

Coach Cawthon of Texas Tech has been invited to be present and bring members of his coaching staff.

### F. A. A. Class To Lubbock Contest

The three agricultural classes of Spur High school are making final preparation for the judging contest at Lubbock April 8. The work will be held at the Texas Technological college and will start at 8:00 o'clock Friday, April 8.

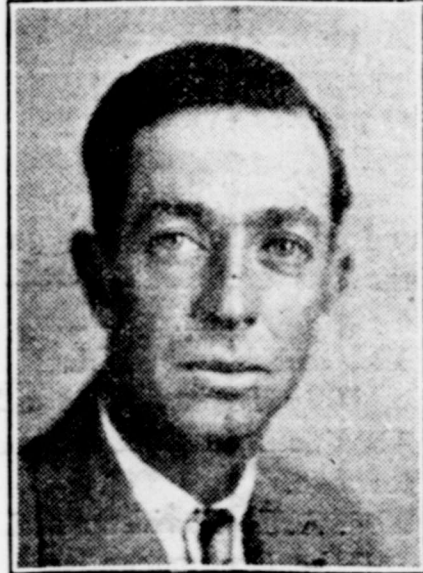
The First Year class will enter the judging contest for dairy products, including milk, cream and butter.

The Second Year class will enter the contest in plant production. This will include grain judging, grain grading and an exhibition of budding and grafting trees. Also, a cotton contest; including grading, and stapling of cotton and taking examination on all phases of cotton work.

The Third Year class will enter the Poultry judging contest.

Next Sunday, April 3, the members of the agricultural department will take animals to Lubbock to enter the South Plains Junior Fat Stock show. They will enter 15 calves, 14 hogs and eight sheep. They plan to put calves for next year's project on feed next month, and expect to purchase some purchased Hampshire gilts in April for projects next year.

POSTMASTER



O. C. ARTHUR

at 6:05 the next morning. All of this extra service has been accomplished by the force of the local post office through cooperation and there is not a clerk in the office who works more than the prescribed 40 hours per week. It is merely a matter of the clerks getting together with the postmaster and working out a schedule that is agreeable to every one concerned, and the public has had great advantages in mail service by this cooperation.

Oil concerns coming to Spur may depend on securing the best of postal service and it will be done in a pleasant manner.

### District Court In Session At Dickens

The District Court for Dickens county went into session Monday with Hon. Alton B. Chapman as residing judge. The grand jury was empaneled and started to work. There are no petit jury cases this week. All such cases being held for the second and third weeks of court.

A number of cases are being disposed of this week before the court. Among these are several divorce cases. The following had been reported Wednesday: J. B. Greenwood vs Maggie J. Greenwood, divorce granted; Newton Bingham vs Ella Mae Bingham, divorce granted; Effie Skains vs Verden Skains, divorce granted.

The following is the list of petit jurors for the second week of court. They are expected to appear at ten o'clock Monday morning, April 4.

A. J. Goodwin, Geo. S. Link, Jr., Joe Thornton, W. P. Shugart, J. F. Young, Richard Varnell, D. P. Smiley, A. C. Martin, L. C. Roberts, R. J. McAtter, L. E. Lee, T. L. Conaway, Forrest Edwards, W. F. Ragland, J. O. Morris, C. E. Flippin, J. R. Cozby, Gaston Jackson, Chester Henry, Robt. Butler, Foster L. Jones, Lloyd Hindman, W. N. Cannon, H. V. Jackson, Jim Nickels, Lewis Daniels, D. L. Loe, Weldon Cypert, H. E. Henderson, A. K. McAllister, H. R. Winkler, S. E. Boothe, C. E. Goodwin, V. M. Hand, C. E. Butler, J. T. Powell.

County Attorney L. D. Ratliff is much disposed in health at this time, but is trying to take care of his duties in the Court. He was stricken with appendicitis last week and is working under great difficulties this week.

### Revival Meeting Starts Sunday At Methodist Church

A two weeks revival will begin at the Methodist church next Sunday morning. Rev. J. E. Cochran, Evangelist of Shawnee, Oklahoma, will do the preaching. Mrs. J. W. Henry will lead the singing and have charge of the music. Rev. J. E. Harrell is to have charge of the work with the young people.

Rev. Mr. Cochran has been an Evangelist for a number of years. He is known as "The Man with a Message To Men." He does a type of preaching that appeals to men with his great messages on "Faith," "Salvation," "Stewardship," and many great Christian doctrines of the Bible.

The evening services will begin at 7:45, and the morning services at 10:30. The services begin Sunday morning and continue for two weeks, closing Easter Sunday.

Everybody is invited to attend this revival.

### Albert Power For County Trustee

Friends of Albert Powers are requested to vote for him in the election of County Trustee, Saturday, April 2.

Mr. Powers is efficient and capable of holding the office if elected and his many friends are asked to remember him when they cast their vote Saturday.

### THE SPUR INN A GOOD PLACE TO STAY

The Spur Inn furnishes people with very excellent accommodations and it is a good place to stay while in Spur. It is run on a high basis and people who register there are made to feel at home.

WEST TEXAS OIL MAN



L. C. HARRISON

L. C. Harrison, well known oil man of West Texas, has been one of the most successful wild cat operators in the oil business, having opened several fields in the past few years.

Mr. Harrison spent his boyhood days in Dickens and Kent counties, and has many friends in these counties, who have much confidence in him as an oil operator.

Mr. Harrison is associated with Roland S. Bond of Dallas Bank & Trust Building.

### McGee No. 1 Davis Well Drilled In 1919

This well is located on Section 313, H&GNRRCo. Survey No. 1, and possibly is drilled more nearly according to the geological structure than any other well in the county. The well was started in 1919 and abandoned in 1920 because of loss of two strings of tools in it.

The first 1200 to 1400 feet was mostly red bed in formation and from there on the structure was blue shale and lime. A salt bed was encountered a little below 300 feet, and there was practically no stratas that produced water.

A nice showing of oil was discovered at 2260 feet which was only about 45 feet above where the well was abandoned. According to geologists this well was located on the flank of the structure and probably would have been a producer had the hard luck not been encountered. Later geology of the territory seemed to bear this out.

The results were very prominent in the Jones well just two miles east which was supposed to be on the crest of the structure with no indication of oil production. Today, Spur country has not had a competent test for oil, and it is hoped some of the wells drilling now will have a good test.

### MR. AND MRS. POWER TO MOVE INTO NEW HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Power are about ready to move into their new farm home three miles north of town. The carpenter work was completed Wednesday and it is thought the varnishing will be completed by today. It is a 5-room residence with bath and other accommodations.

It will be remembered that Mr. and Mrs. Power lost their home by fire recently. They say they are anxious to get back to the farm and get to living as they once did.

### WORKERS MEET AT DICKENS TODAY

The Workers Meeting for the Dickens County Baptist Association will be held in Dickens today. The program is to start about ten o'clock and representatives of all Baptist churches in the association are invited to be present for the fine program.

The following schedule for literary events will be followed as closely as possible Friday when all contestants assemble in Spur:

8:50—General assembly, Spur High school auditorium.  
9:10—Arithmetic, Room 3.  
9:10—Ready writers, Room 5.  
9:10—Typing, Room 6.  
9:10—Declamation, Ward School girls, auditorium.

9:10—Debate, girls, Junior High auditorium.  
9:10—Story telling, first grade, East Ward auditorium.  
9:10—Picture Memory Contest, Room 7A.  
9:10—Music Memory, Room 5, Junior High.

9:10—Spelling (grades 3, 4, 5) Room 1 Junior High.  
9:10—Spelling (grades 6, 7) Room 6, Junior High.  
9:10—Spelling (Seniors) Room 7, Junior High.

10:00—Debate, Boys, Junior High auditorium.  
10:00—Declamation, Ward School Boys, H. S. auditorium.  
11:00—Declamation, Rural School Girls, H. S. auditorium.  
11:30—Debate, Girls, Junior High auditorium.

11:30—Declamation, Rural School Boys, H. S. auditorium.  
Literary Events Friday afternoon:  
1:30—Story Telling, 2nd & 3rd grades, East Ward auditorium.  
1:30—Extemporaneous Speaking Room 10.  
1:30—Declamation, High School Jr. Boys, High School auditorium.  
1:30—Debate, Boys, Junior High auditorium.

1:30—Three R Contest, Room 12.  
1:30—Texas History Contest, Room 5.  
2:30—Declamation, High School Jr. Girls, High School auditorium.  
2:30—Debate, Girls, Junior High auditorium.

2:15—Declamation, High School Senior Boys, High school.  
4:00—Declamation, High School Senior Girls, High School.

### McAdoo Wins First Place In Tennis Finals

Tennis matches in the County Meet were played Wednesday afternoon. The results are as follows:

Singles, Senior boys, Curtis Holly, Dickens, won first place. Iley Barton, McAdoo, second.  
Singles, senior girls, Jean Vermer, first; Francis Spear, Dickens, second.

Singles, junior boys, Clint Formby, McAdoo, first; Mack Kennedy, Dickens, second.

Singles, junior girls, Leota Joplin, McAdoo, first; Marilyn Harkey, Dickens, second.

Singles, ward boys, Wade Gilbert, Spur, first; Austin C. Rose, McAdoo, second.

Singles, ward girls, Billie McLaughlin, McAdoo, first; Louise Ince, Spur, second.

Doubles, senior boys, Nuge Rose and Claude Gregory, McAdoo, first; Jessie Byars and Cecil Norris, Patton Springs, second.

Doubles, senior girls, Robena Formby and Mazine Henderson, McAdoo, first; Audene Bilberry and Opal Lee Spraberry, Dickens, second.

Doubles, junior boys, Jack Graham and Lyle Isaacs, McAdoo, first; Clay Woods and Billy Jo Applegate, Spur, second.

Doubles, junior girls, Dessie Mae Wallace and Maudie Palmer, McAdoo, first; Manez Woods and Louwanna Dunlap, Patton Springs, second.

Doubles, ward boys, Carl Terry and Raymond Futch, Dickens, first; Billy Ray Barrett and Bob Weaver, Spur, second.  
Doubles, ward girls, Ouida Li-

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**PALACE THEATRE**

**SATURDAY**

APRIL 2nd

Continuous Show  
11:00 a.m. to 11:30 p.m.



Plus Chapter One of "TIM TYLER'S LUCK"  
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**Allen Auto Supply**  
Spur's Only Auto Parts Store Here

The name of this business implies the line of merchandise handled. Spur was greatly in need of a supply house for automobile parts, but no one seemed interested in starting such a business. C. V. Allen, then of Crowell, came to our city in the fall of 1935 and took a survey of the town. He opened the business January 1, 1936, in the Perry building where the Safe-Way Store is now located. In 1937 Mr. Allen bought the building where the business is now located and moved there in June of that year.

The business carries a complete line of automobile parts for wholesale purpose and everything from a fuse, head light bulb to the largest part of an automobile can be secured from the Allen Auto Supply. It is strictly a parts store to supply new parts for automobiles. Also, the business carries a fine line of Crosley radios and refrigerators, and a big line of Good-year tires and tubes for both wholesale and retail trade.

In addition the firm furnished a specialized service such as piston grinding, cylinder boring, pin fitting and work that regular garages do not do. It has never been the intention of the Allen Auto Supply to go into competition with any garage, but to supply that special service so often needed. Mr. Allen is the manager, but Mrs. Allen works in the store to see that everything goes right and that business is looked after in the right manner.

**Spur Motor Co.**  
Dealer In Chevrolets

The business, which has been managed by E. L. Caraway, was started in 1917 at the Highway Garage where the Farmall House is now. The cars sold were buicks and the business was a success from the very beginning. The firm moved to the present location in 1923 and took on the sale of Chrysler cars.

In 1927 they took over the sale of Chevrolet cars which has been sold by them ever since. In 1934 they added the used car lot which has been a source of service to a great number of people who were not in position to buy new cars.

The business has always had a first class service department where repair work has been done. In 1935 a body repair department was added and many cars in the community that otherwise would have been wrecks, have been repaired by the body department and made to look like new cars. This department naturally included modern methods of painting and enamel work. There are never fewer than 10 employees and most of the time 15 to 16 are required to take care of the business.

When asked how many cars had been sold by the business, Mr. Caraway said he had no idea and it would require days to check the record.

As a native born West Texan, land owner, farmer and ranchman, I appreciate what the oil fraternity has done for us.

**C. M. Caldwell**  
Abilene, Texas

**B. Schwarz & Son Open Their Dry Goods Store In Spur In 1925**

**B. SCHWARZ & SON**  
Manager



M. C. GOLDING.

This firm started business in Spur in October 1925. M. C. Golding, the present manager, and Harry Schwarz came to Spur and took a business survey, bought a building, installed a stock of goods and opened doors for business within a few days.

The business has grown rapidly, although at the time it was established competition was very strong. Mr. Golding became manager from the beginning, Mr. Schwarz having other interests to look after. Mr. Golding makes a study of the trade territory and the needs for it. He soon found that Spur needed a good ladies ready-to-wear department and soon stocked and advertised that phase of his business. It won patronage for the business and it has grown until today it makes up a large per cent of the sales in the store.

Mr. Golding has always been strong on newspaper advertising. He stated once that you can take the right kind of merchandise and a good newspaper and build a good business anywhere. He believes in fair dealings in every respect, and a child is as safe shopping at B. Schwarz & Son as any one experienced in merchandise, because Mr. Golding protects his customers and gives them good values.

Mr. Golding is a progressive citizen and takes much pride in the community. He is liberal in his attitude and no one is more willing to give, and few will give as much, to the advancement of the community as he will give. He is a past director of the Rotary Club, a past president of Rotary, a former director of the Chamber of Commerce

and last year served as president of the Chamber of Commerce and possibly accomplished more with less expense than in any year in the history of the organization. His record was so good that the body at the annual meeting recently voted unanimously for him to serve another year.

He is liberal in his views and is willing to consider the other fellows viewpoint on any subject. However, he has his principles of life and is not willing to be swayed from them just because the other fellow has a different view. He believes in good society, honesty and says that every man should.

**Spur Laundry Adds New Machinery**

This business was first started in Spur by Mrs. Minnie Lewis who built the business up quite a lot. In September 1928 the business was purchased by Wilson Brothers of Clarendon and Mr. and Mrs. Dave Wilson took charge of the business. The business was run at the old location on Parker Avenue for two months and moved to its present location December 1, 1928.

The business grew and new and larger equipment was added along to take care of the increasing patronage. Just this week a new flat work ironer was installed which removed the last piece of the old machinery. The business is equipped with three large washers, two drying tumblers, a drying room, one flat work ironer, six presses, one sleeve form, a fully equipped dry cleaning and tailoring department.

There is always plenty of boiling water furnished by a return tubular boiler of 35 horse power, and it is the plan now to have a larger boiler installed within the near future. There is a fully equipped helplessly laundry department with ten good Maytag washers where people may do their own washing with every modern convenience possible. The business is equipped with water softening processes and every department has soft water for use. The laundry uses more than 300,000 gallons of soft water per month.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson oversee the work in the laundry and they keep competent workers in every line. They enjoy patronage from a large territory extending from Matador on the north to as far south as Aspermont. The quality of the work done is gradually increasing the patronage and more equipment will be installed to take care of the increased demand as needed.

**MESSAGE OF APPRECIATION**

We take this method of thanking each and every one for their kindness during the sickness and death of our dear husband and father. Also thank Dr. Nichols and nurses for their untiring efforts to save him. May God bless you all is our prayer.  
Mrs. S. B. Parker & family.

**Dumont News**

Rev. Smelser filled his appointment at the M. E. Church both Sunday morning and evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Rogers and daughter Miss Thedus, Misses Alma Forrest and Estelle Park were shopping and attending to other business in Spur last Friday.

Mrs. A. L. Davidson and son C. D., Mrs. Mattie Sizemore, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Edwards and baby attended the Fat Stock show in Fort Worth last week.

The banquet given at the First Baptist church last Thursday night was a grand success. The church has been renovated recently and this "feast" was given in appreciation of those who contributed. The menu consisted of chicken and dressing, fruit salad, other salads, cake, pies and drinks. Out of town guests were Judge and Mrs. Wideman, Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Brown, Prof and Mrs. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hailey, all of Guthrie, Tex.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Munden and children Billy Ruth and Mary Jewell, and Mrs. Emma Munden attended the county Coral Singing in Dickens Friday night.

Dick Etter of Paducah, was attending to business in this community last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Lasater gave a musical last Thursday night. A large crowd attended.

Forrest Woodward was a business visitor in Dickens and Spur last Wednesday.

Mrs. Maud Windham of Lubbock, Miss Tallie Windham, of Spur, and Mrs. Trawick, Silvertown, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. V. M. Hand Sunday afternoon.

A pie supper was given in the school auditorium last Friday night. The proceeds went for the school's benefit.

Don't forget next Saturday is the day for electing school trustees, so come out and cast your vote for the right person.

Mr. and Mrs. V. M. Hand and son, Billy Bryan, were attending to business in Dickens Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. A. L. Davidson and son, C. D. of the Croton community were in Dumont and Paducah last Thursday.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks and deepest appreciation to our friends and neighbors for their assistance and sympathy through the illness and death of our precious baby and grand baby. We thank you for the beautiful floral offering.

Our hearts are truly broken, but we want to thank Bro. Beauchamp and Bro. Burnam for their words of comfort. May God bless you all is our prayer.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Derr  
Mr. and Mrs. Jim Derr and Mother.  
Mrs. E. L. Raines.

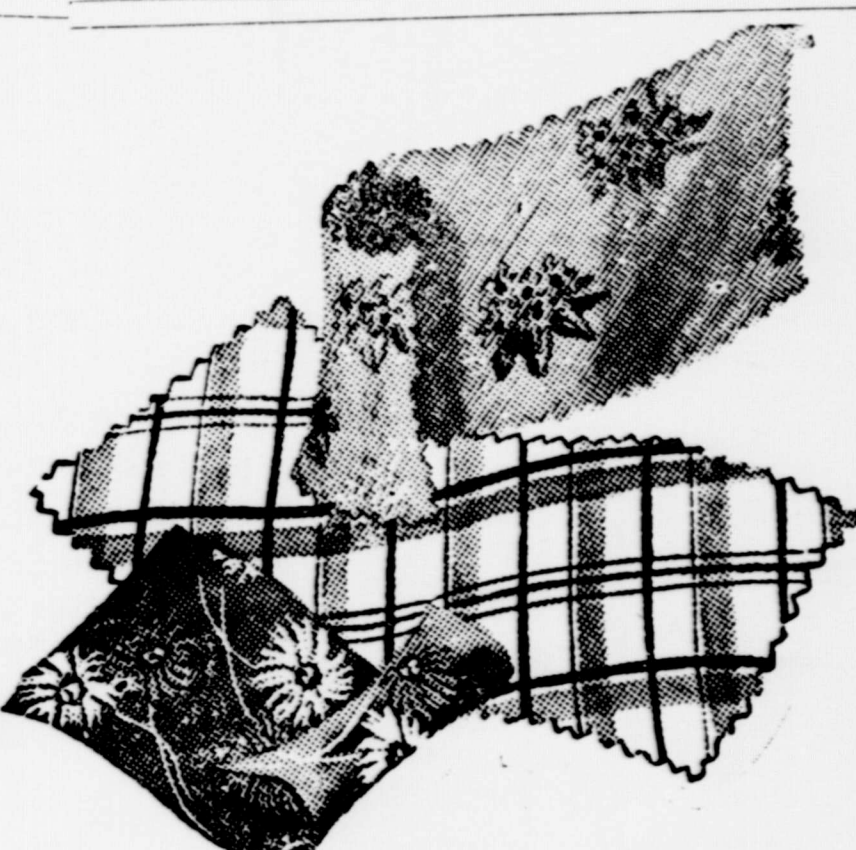
A Good Safe Place To Trade  
**B. SCHWARZ & SON**  
SPUR, TEXAS  
"The Store of Little Profit"

Smashing Values for Friday, Saturday and First Monday, April 1, 2, 4.

Sale of new Spring Patterns

In Our Finest, Topmost Fashions

80 Square Percalé Prints



Just arrived for \$ Day and put in stock for the first time. We will sell about 2000 yards of our finest 80 square Percalé Prints, Tubfast, Boilfast, full yard wide, in about 50 new spring patterns. Regular 19c quality...

**14c yard**

You are saving 5c yard by buying your spring and summer requirements at this low price. This price for \$ Day only.



Woven Madras and Broad-cloth  
**SHIRTS**

Guaranteed! All new spring patterns! Light and dark grounds! Solids! Non-wilt Collars! Special!

**50c**

Regular \$1.00 Value



Men, for the first time our regular 65c grey...

**Work Shirts**

Full cut bellows, flap pockets, all sizes to 17, Dollar Day...

**2 FOR \$1.00**

**Men's Kangaroo Overalls**

Choice of blue, express stripe or liberty stripes. All sizes.

**\$1.00**

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Specially Priced  
**\$2.95**

Excellent quality fur felts in a smooth, silky finish. The colors are the smartest we've seen. Mist, snow, green, greys and tans. Sizes for all.

Men's Vat Dyed Khaki Pants

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**79c**

All sizes 29 to 42.

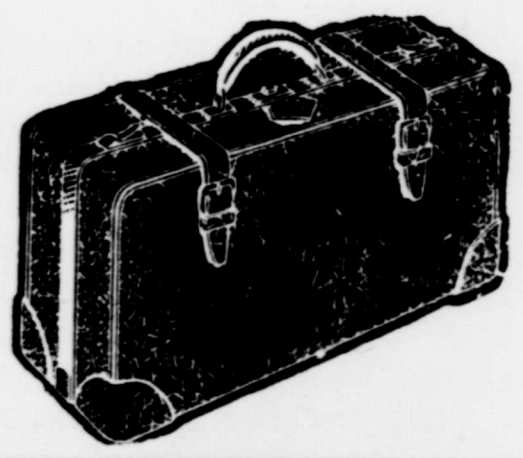
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**MEN'S ALLEN A Socks and Anklets**

Regular .35, .39, .50 & .55 quality for dollar Day...

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STEEL FRAME! SPORT LINED! LARGE POCKETS! SHIRT DIVIDER!

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GRADUATE CHIROPRACTOR  
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### SMASHING VALUES

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## Friday, Saturday, First Monday, April 1, 2 and 4



**DOLLAR DAY SALE**  
OF  
New Spring  
**HATS**  
NEW ARRIVALS **\$1.00**  
In the Season's Smartest Styles—Gaily Flowered—Saucily Veiled

Cannon 15x30  
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A positive sensation . . . Don't miss it . . . Every dress crown tested.  
**PRINTED ACETATE CREPE**  
All New Styles  
They come in 8 shirt maker styles. Sizes 12 to 20 and 36 to 44. Guaranteed washable. Values to \$3.98.  
SALE  
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These dresses are brand new copies of higher priced styles.

Fancy Floral  
**Cretonne**  
Regular 15c quality. 36 inches wide, dark and light grounds. Floral patterns.  
10 yds.  
**\$1**

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Sheer . . . Dots . . . Florals  
LIGHT AND DARK GROUNDS  
**15c yd.**  
Regular 29c and 39c Values  
There's spring in the air . . . our cotton department, with its gay new prints is in full bloom. Plan your cotton wardrobe now . . . and come to select your fabrics.


GENUINE CANNON  
**BIRDEYE DIAPERS**  
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ONE DOZEN PACKAGE  
Not 10 but 12 to Package  
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**OVERALLS**  
Sizes 6 to 16 in heavy weight denim overalls. Dollar Day brings you this low price,  
**2 for \$1**

We will sell 500 yards of our Best Quality Premium  
**Premium Bleached Sheeting**  
**25c yard**  
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We will Sell 2000 yards Imperial  
**LL WALL CANVAS**  
In Full Bolts of 60 yards  
**3c yard**  
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**HOUSE COATS**  
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Almost unbelievable at this price! They're very well made— smartly styled! In brand new photographic prints. Zipper and wraparounds.



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ONE GROUP OF 250 DRESSES  
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Buy at least two of these Frocks, Sizes for all  
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**CURTAIN SCRIM**  
Fancy patterned nets and plain. Ecu and other solid colors. Monday,  
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Built-in steel arch. Soft kid in black or white.  
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All sizes. This is an unusually LOW PRICE for arch support shoes.



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Bought to retail at \$3.00. We reserve the right to limit while 36 last. Here is a bargain in a beautiful Genuine Samson Card Table. Does not stain by any liquids. Does not burn by lighted cigarettes. Strong enough to stand on. Will not wobble or collapse. Stain proof. Guaranteed by Good Housekeeper. Advertised in Life, Vogue, Saturday Evening Post, Liberty, Colliers. Early shopping is advised. Several finishes to select from!

89c Value - Genuine 3-Thread  
**CREPE HOSE**  
• NEW COLORS  
• COPPERY REDS  
• EXTRA SHEER  
• SIZES 8 1-2 to 10 1-2  
• PRICED SPECIAL  
**59c**



THE DICKENS COUNTY TIMES

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PUTS MONEY IN YOUR POCKET

Recently William Leslie, general manager of the National Bureau of Casualty and Surety Underwriters, said that the insuring public is convinced that a rate differential between the "safe" driver and the driver who has accidents in the proper way to underwrite automobile liability risks.

Under the safe driver reward plan, which has gone into effect in many states, car owners insured by any one of a large group of leading stock casualty companies will receive a rebate of part of their premium at the end of the year if they are not involved in a reportable accident.

It would be extremely interesting to watch the effect of this on the 1938 accident experience. Continuous efforts are being carried on to awaken all drivers to the social responsibility that falls upon them when they take the wheel of their car.

The refunding plan of automobile insurance probably would have its influence with a certain class of people, at least, and that would be something.

LIVING PRICE FOR FARM PRODUCTS

Sometimes farm cooperative marketing associations get in wrong so far as the consumer is concerned. At times the consumer mistakenly believes that these groups are attempting to force the price of farm products to the highest possible level.

What the cooperatives are trying to do is to bring to the farmer a "living price" for what he raises—a price that will pay operating expense and give the farmer some profit for his labor and his investment.

'You're A Sweetheart' Coming To Palace

Until you've seen "You're a Sweetheart," which comes to the Palace Theatre Preview Saturday night, Sunday and Monday you'll have to admit you've never before seen a real modern screen musical comedy.

It's distinctly different. It's ultra smart. It's clever. It's uproariously funny. It has plenty of plot. You don't have to believe it. The plot makes fun of itself. It is packed with diversified specialties: uneful, memorable songs; trim, rim and intriguing dances.

The reason, no doubt, is the cast. The star, Alice Faye, delivers what s no doubt the finest picture of her career in "You're a Sweetheart." Her acting and her dancing stand out even in the brilliant performances of the exceptional cast which surrounds her.

Second is George Murphy, George is smoothness personified, in his acting, dancing and singing. It's his best picture to date. And Ken Murray, Oswald, Andy Devine, Bill Gargan, Frank Jenks, Dave Oliver, Charles Winninger and Frances Hunt, among others, fit smoothly and perfectly into the streamlined whole, making possible the fast and effortless tempo of the production.

"You're a Sweetheart" establishes a smart atmosphere and a pulse-quickening pace from the very opening and keeps it mounting steadily in tempo to the very finish, a trick hitherto never successfully completed in screen musical offerings.

You'll find "You're a Sweetheart" the answer to your prayers as far as musical comedies are concerned. It's crammed with delightful music.

Speech Students To Amarillo, Fri.

Spur High school speech students attended their last invitation speech tournament of the season when they went to Amarillo last Friday, returning late Saturday. Since the middle of January various students in the speech department have participated in such events at the following places: Austin, Lubbock, Waco, Slaton, Crosbyton, Abilene, Wichita Falls, and Amarillo.

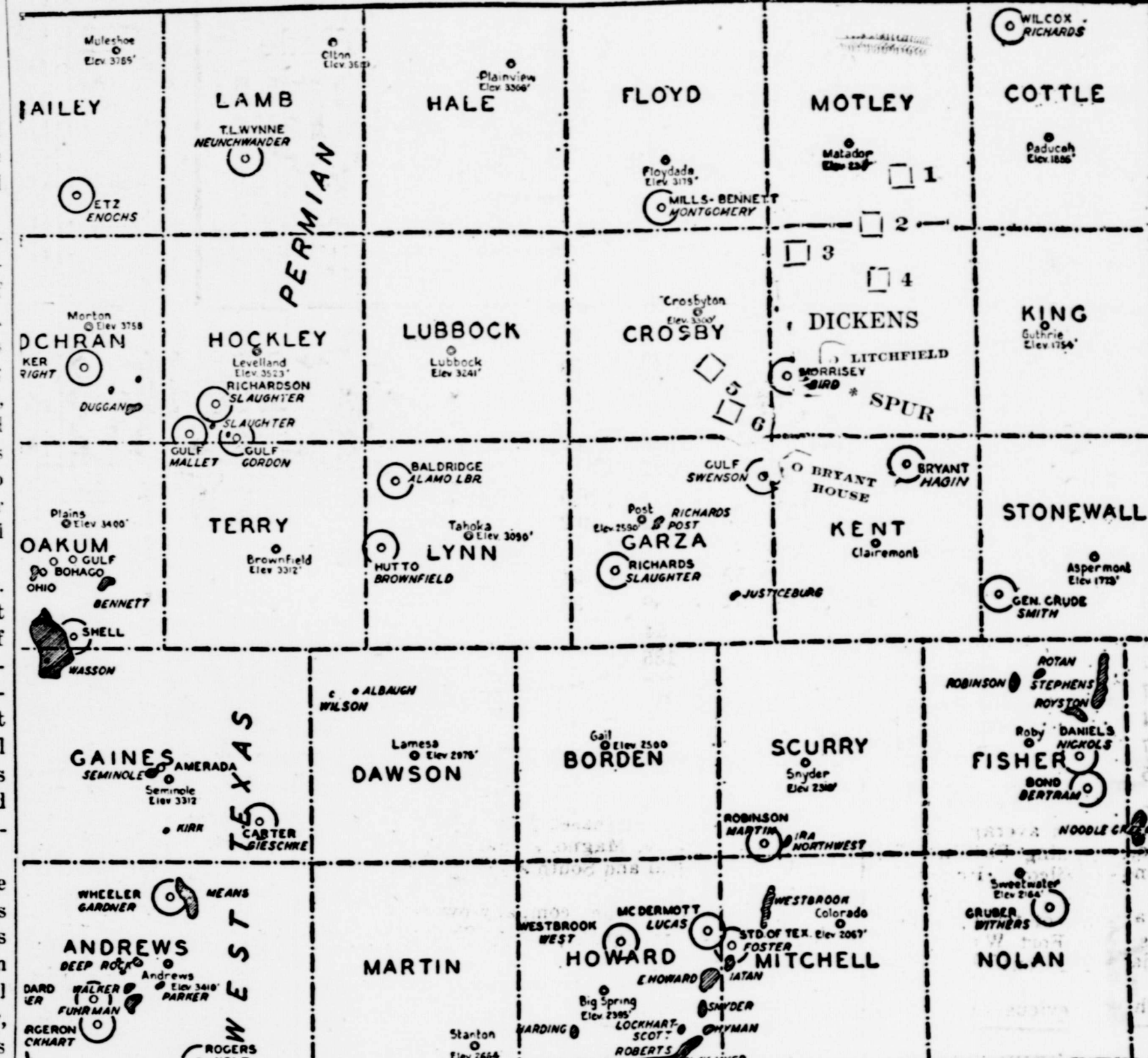
In such competition as this the Spur students have been able to "hold their own" remarkably well. They at least have not been able to develop that small town characteristic of personal egotism in deciding that they are just about perfect.

In the Amarillo meet last week, Carl Arthur competed with twelve other senior boys in declamation. He placed first in his preliminary division in which six of them competed. In the final round, however, Carl was not able to place as one of the two winners announced. Thelma Hale was Spur's representative in the senior girls division of declamation. She did not place in the preliminary competition.

In debate the boys' team composed of Bill Gruben and V. C. Smart defeated a team from Wichita Falls in the first round, one from Lockney in the second round, and lost a decision to Amarillo in the third round of debating.

The girls' team, Mozelle Arthur and Ruth Cowan, dropped their first decision to Borger. This placed them in the consolation bracket which they won by defeating in turn teams from Lockney, Olton, and Littlefield.

Latest West Texas Wild Cat Locations, Including those in Dickens, Kent and Crosby Counties



LOCATIONS FROM SPUR: Morrissey No. 1 Bird 1-2 Miles N., 8 1-2 Miles W. Litchfield No. 1 Harris, 5 1-2 Miles N., 1 Mile W. Bryant No. 1 Hagin, 7 Miles E., 7 Miles S.

BLOCKS LEASED BUT NO LOCATIONS MADE: No. 1 Bird Block, No. 2 Dick Speer Block, No. 3 Bird Block, No. 4 Bond Jones Block, No. 5 Pure Oil Block, No. 6 Gulf Production Block.

County Choral Singing Friday At Dickens

The county contest in choral singing was held at the school auditorium at Dickens Friday night. Four schools entered the Ward school division and three schools entered the rural school division.

R. L. Benson Buyer Of Hogs And Cattle

R. L. Benson, who has been in the meat market business in Spur for the past several years, last week leased his market to Mr. Cannally and will devote all his time to the buying of hogs and cattle.

Dry-Lake 4-H Club Met March 18

The Dry Lake 4-H Club met March 18 for a demonstration by the sponsor, Mrs. Tom Porter, on "A New Face for Spring." Mrs. Porter talked about the care of the skin and hair and gave the girls samples of cosmetics.

MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED DURING MARCH

George E. Erath and Miss Grace Patterson, March 8. Antonio Andrade and Pascuala Mercado, March 10. G. M. Meador and Miss Lucille Rape, March 11.

METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday School 9:45 Morning Worship Service 11:00 Intermediates 6:30 Young People 6:45 Evening Service 7:30 W.M.S., Monday afternoon 3:00

Advertisement for 'A VERY interesting ARTICLE on page 88 in the APRIL ISSUE of the Good Housekeeping Magazine'. It includes a quote: 'There is... A VERY interesting ARTICLE on page 88 in the APRIL ISSUE of the Good Housekeeping Magazine'.

Good Attendance At Spur Schools

The different principals of Spur schools report that the attendance is good at this time. The student body in all schools are making final preparations for the County Interscholastic League meet which will be in Spur Friday and Saturday.

All students in the schools are working diligently to carry their regular school work and to make preparations to compete in county events.

LUNCHES FOR SALE

Plate lunches will be sold in the Homemaking Department of Spur High school on April 1 at the county Interscholastic League meet. The lunch shall consist of a meat, two vegetables, a salad, a hot bread and a dessert with coffee, milk or soda pop as a beverage.

Mrs. C. E. Butler, of Dumont, was in Spur Wednesday, shopping with Spur merchants.

Many Attend The Wildlife Meeting

Quite a number of people of Dickens county attended the meeting at Matador Friday night, to develop interest in preserving wild life in West Texas.

Virgil V. Parr of the Pitchfork Ranch, Judge Alton B. Chapman, Horace Wood, J. R. Laine, R. E. Dickson, B. C. Langley, Dr. M. H. Brannen, W. T. Andrews, M. C. Golding, James B. Reed, Representative C. L. Harris, Cecil Fox, C. D. Bird, E. H. Ousley, P. J. Manley, Charlie Fox, Cliff Bird, George S. Link, Jr., and W. D. Starcher all of Spur; O. D. Cardwell of Post and Spur, Jack Beechley and J. A. Beechley of Wichita community, and J. P. Goen Dickens.

All of these persons agreed that it is fine to be good sports and to try to save the game birds and animals possible so that young men of the next generation would know what a Bob White and a Blue Quail look like without having to read about them in books.

Mr. and Mrs. Basil C. Cairns, were in Spur Saturday from their farm and ranch home near Clairmont, in Kent county.

Advertisement for R. L. Benson, Dealer in HOGS AND CATTLE. Text: 'I have leased meat market to B. H. Connally. I am furnishing him beeves and hogs. Call or write me, will go anywhere to look at your stock. Will pay highest price on cattle and hogs. Spur, Texas Phone 80 Box 562'.

Large advertisement for City of Spur TAX REDUCTIONS. Text: 'City of Spur TAX REDUCTIONS For the Past Seven Years'. Includes a table with columns: Year, Assessed Valuation, Rate Per \$100, Total Tax. Data for years 1930-1937.

McAdoo News

Jim Ed Derr, little son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Derr of McAdoo died in West Texas Hospital in Lubbock Friday, March 25. He had been sick with pneumonia and other complications about two weeks before his death. The baby was born March 27, 1937, and lived only two days being one year old at the time of its death. He was the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Derr.

Funeral services were conducted at the Methodist church in McAdoo Saturday, March 26 at 3:00 o'clock. Rev. Burnam, minister of Pansy Baptist church and Rev. Frank Beauchamp, pastor of the McAdoo Methodist church were in charge of the services. Active pall bearers were: T. J. Brantley, Dock Cooper, Buford Cooper, Joe McLaughlin, Willie Phifer and W. W. Skinner Jr. Little flower girls were: Baby Lou and Wilma Buckner, Jayce Marie Fox, Ernestine Cox, Billy Joyce Nickles, Wanda Lou Dennis, Doris Jean Potts, Reta Mae Phifer and Elma Jean Eldridge.

Interment followed in McAdoo cemetery under arrangements of Sanders Mortuary, Lubbock. The survivors are Mr. and Mrs. Jack Derr, parents of the baby; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Derr and Mrs. Raines, and several uncles and an aunt.

Out of town relatives at the funeral were: Mrs. Sam Mosley and daughter, Opal; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mosley and children; Mr. and Mrs. Quincy Murphree and children of Slaton; Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Mosley of Pampa; Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Raines, Mrs. John Briggs, of Dallas and Miss Aletha Raines of Midlothian. A number of friends from a distance also attended the funeral.

Rev. and Mrs. Peterson and baby from Crosbyton, Rev. and Mrs. D. D. Dennison and son of Matador and Dr. Trawick from Matador were among the visitors who attended services during the revival at the local Methodist church. Other visitors from Matador were present but the reporter did not get their names.

The Plains Baptist Association Workers Meeting was held in the First Baptist church in McAdoo Thursday night, March 24 and Friday the 25th. Sermons were delivered by Rev. C. R. Blake of Lubbock and Rev. R. N. Davis of Levelland. Questions were discussed by M. E. Robinson and J. P. Aslin of Lamesa. Rev. Jeff D. Welch and Mrs. Welch of Lubbock, R. F. Pepper and J. M. Willis of Ralls and Hubert Townley of Jacksboro. Visitors were present from Lubbock, Lamesa, Sudan, Ralls, Roaring Springs, Levelland, Newlin, and Jacksboro. Reports from churches and pastors were given by all visitors.

The next meeting of the Association will be held at Cedar, fifteen miles northeast of Floydada. A two weeks revival meeting closed at the local Methodist church Sunday. Evangelist Frank Neal did the preaching.

Mr. and Mrs. George Harris returned home last week from Austin where they had been visiting with relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Harris have two daughters, Mrs. Vernon Morgan and family and Mrs. Ina Harris and sons, living there. Their son Eloie is a student in Texas University, Austin.

Robert McDonald, student of Texas Technological college was home recently visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. McDonald.

Horace Nickels, commissioner of this precinct was in Austin last week attending to business matters.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Rathel and baby and Mrs. Richardson attended the singing at Croton last Sunday. Miss Opal Nickels who underwent an operation in a Lubbock sanitarium a few days ago is reported to be improving.

Average Quality of Gasoline Sold January 1 of Each Year

Table with columns for years 1928-1938 and rows for Octane number, Initial point, 10 per cent, 20 per cent, 50 per cent, 90 per cent, Endpoint, Recovery, and Vapor pressure. It is divided into Regular, Premium, and Third grades.

Results 1928 to 1930 inclusive based upon average of tests made on 34 samples purchased from company-owned stations operating in Tulsa, including Phillips, Texas Co., Skelly, Pierce, Magnolia, Barnsdall, Sun, Shell, Transcontinental, Mid Continent, Wilson, Independent Oil, Tidal, National and Southland Gasoline.

Results 1931 to date based upon average of tests made on samples purchased from company-owned stations in Cleveland, Chicago, Kansas City, Fort Worth and Tulsa, including Standard of Ohio, Skelly, Cities Service, Continental Oil, Barnsdall, Mid-Continent, Phillips, Sinclair, Magnolia, Gulf, Texas Co., and Standard of Indiana.

Note: Tests 1938 made by L3 method. Previous years A.S.T.M. standard method used.

PIONEER PHYSICIAN



DR. P. C. NICHOLS

Mrs. Shields of Broadway has been a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Parker for several days. Mr. and Mrs. Loyd McLaughlin from Carlsbad were guests recently of Mr. McLaughlin's mother, Mrs. Ralph McLaughlin and other relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Lee Parker and baby of Spur visited relatives here recently and attended services at the local M. E. church. The high wind from the cloud Saturday morning did damage throughout the community. Several reported fed stacks blown down, others reported chicken houses and windmills being blown down. The rainfall was light throughout the two days of cloudy weather. A declamation and story telling elimination was held in the local school recently to determine who would enter the county Interscholastic League meet. Winners in declamation were as follows: Senior girls, Ruth Ward and Lucille Stephenson; senior boy, Roy Allen. In Junior high school Janice Keith and Louise McLaughlin; in Junior grade school, Estelle McLaughlin and Mae Dell McLaughlin; Junior boys, Nathan Pipkin and Jay Smith; In first grade story telling, Dick Alexander; Second grade story telling, Wynetta McLaughlin. Characters in one act play, Guin Hickman, Leota Jopling, Robena Formby, Doris Early and Weldon Ward.

McAdoo placed second in choral singing. The county choral contest was held at Dickens Friday night, March 25.

AFTON NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Gilbert and daughter, of Matador, were visiting his mother, Mrs. W. J. Higgins, and Mrs. Higgins Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Powell and children were visiting friends and shopping in Spur Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Taber McNeal, of Houston, are here at this time visiting his mother, Mrs. A. J. Dozier, and Mr. Dozier. The Booster Band, of Wayland college, came down Saturday to conduct services Saturday night and Sunday at the Baptist church at Afton. The train hindered many people from hearing them. Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Barrington, of Ralls, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Bennett, and other relatives here from Thursday until Monday. Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Higgins were in Spur Saturday. Richard Varnell spent last week visiting friends in Paducah. Walter Stokes, a World War veteran, left for Albuquerque, N. M., Saturday to enter a veteran hospital for medical treatment. All voters interested should attend the election and cast their vote for school trustees Saturday.

SPUR CIRCUIT

METHODIST CHURCHES Rufus Kitchens, Pastor Services for Sunday, April 3rd, will be held at Dickens. Preaching both morning and evening by the pastor. Let's every one be in our place for church school. Mid week services at Foreman's Chapel are growing in interest and in numbers. We invite every one to meet with us in these services. On account of the bad weather last Sunday, the business of the quarterly conference will be held at the Methodist church at Spur, 3:30 p.m. Saturday, April 16th.

SETH PARKER CLUB MEETING

The Seth Parker Club met with Mr. and Mrs. Luther Hindman on N. Trumbull Avenue Tuesday evening. Special music by Mrs. Bob Alexander and Misses Miriam Beed and Pauline Joyner was enjoyed by all present. Refreshments were served to about 25 club members and guests. The Seth Parker Club is a musical organization and holds meetings regularly every Tuesday evening in the home of some member.

Comparison Of Our Army And Far East Others

The chart below was produced by the Wichita Record-News of date of March 24. There seems to be so much information in it that the Times is taking the liberty to reproduce it for the information of those who have not seen it. It might be well to consider how the forces of the United States with an army of 116,000 men and a reserve of 308,000 more with 2,500 army planes would fare in going against Italy with an army of 1,331,000 men with a reserve of 5,638,000 and 4,000 army planes. Our country is not at the bottom of the list because Hungary stands there, but we are just a few notches only above that point.

If we were to go to war with most of the European countries at present it might be like an untrained person trying to win the world championship from Joe Louis. The chart below shows the standing of the world powers in regular armies, reserves and fighting planes:

Table comparing Regular Army Fighting, Nation Army Reserves, and Planes for Germany, Austria, Ger & Aus, Gt. Britain, France, Italy, Russia, Czechoslov., Hungary, Poland, and United S.

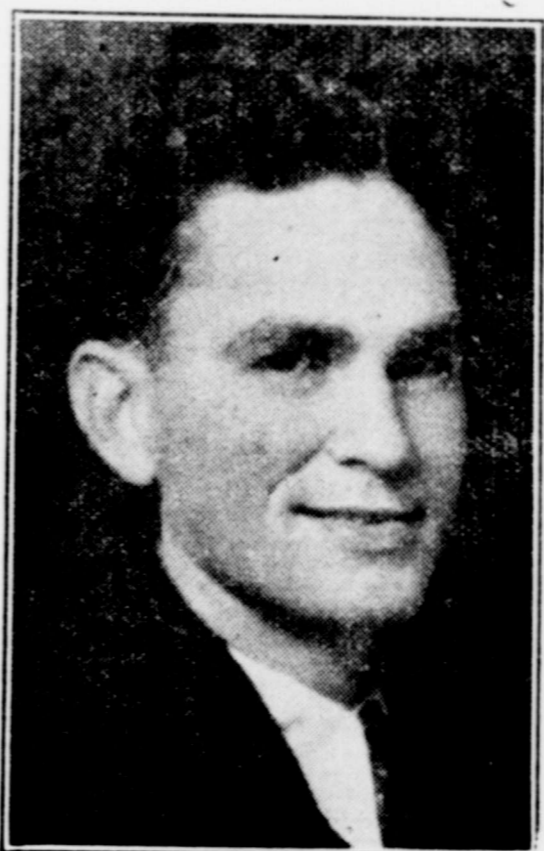
The chart above shows the United States strength as compared with the powers of Europe. At the bottom of the list and actually next to the last in real power is America. Only little Hungary has fewer men. Greater recent development was the combination of the Austrian army with Adolf Hitler's forces, making the German might rank high among hitherto "strong" nations. In all Russia has more than 19,000,000 men on tap. The United States has less than 500,000. Graphically this may show why a \$1,000,000,000 appropriation is asked in Washington in order for the army to have "an effect in case of emergency."

GRAMMAR SCHOOL PTA SPONSORS SHOW

The Parent-Teacher Association is sponsoring a show at the Palace Theatre this week. The first number was given last night with a good crowd present. The last number will be tonight and school patrons are asked to see the Grammar school students, or Mr. Foot for your tickets. The school gets a percent of the tickets they sell. The name of the show is "The Life of Emile Zola". The funds will be used to improve the school building.

Judge L. D. Ratliff was stricken with an attack of acute appendicitis Wednesday morning, while in Dickens, and was rushed to a sanitarium in Stamford for an operation.

MANAGER VARIETY STORES



DICK SPEER Manager of Speer's Stores at Spur, Goldsmith, Kermit, Crowell.

Be Sure To Report All Scholastics

If any parent in Spur Independent School District has failed to report their children to be enumerated for school purposes, you are requested to do so at once. If your child becomes six years of age on or before September 1, 1938, or does not pass their 18th birthday on or before that date, and you fail to report such child for school purposes, you cause Spur schools to lose \$22.00 in state money. If you have a child not reported, please notify Supt. O. C. Thomas at once and get your child on the enumerated roll. Possibly parents do not realize the value of having children enumerated when the census enumerator come around and when you fail to have your child's name on the scholastic roll it means \$22.00 less money for our schools. Please attend to this at once as the period for enumeration is about over.

AFTON & ROARING SPRINGS METHODIST CHURCHES

Eugene L. Naugle, Pastor If you were not present at the services at Afton Monday night, you missed a helpful message delivered by Rev. Rufus Kitchens, of Spur. We shall be looking for you the remaining services of the week. Pray and then attend.

Local Variety Firm Carries 2500 Articles

When we talk about doing a big business with small articles we about describe the conditions at the Speer's Variety Store. It is amazing to learn that this store carries about 2,500 different lines of merchandise in order to serve the public in its field. Mr. and Mrs. Speer started a few years ago with a small store, but soon found they must enlarge their business in order to take care of the demands made upon them. Speer's Variety Store is one of the largest of its kind in West Texas and it is serving the people of this community in a great way. They now have stores in Goldsmith, Kermit and Crowell.

DICKENS COUNTY SINGING CONVENTION TO MEET

tion will be held Sunday, April 3 at Dickens school auditorium beginning at 11:00 o'clock a.m. We expect to have the best one this time we have ever had. Lots of good singers will be here. Lets go, Dickens county people, taking our lunch and enjoy the day singing. Jack Gipson, Pres.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

In addition to the churches mentioned there are others. The Church of the Nazarene was organized in 1927 after a revival held by Mrs. Dawson. The congregation, with the assistance of the town, built a nice church building on the west side of town. The congregation is not strong numerically, but they are holding together and the church is doing quite a lot of good.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH

This congregation has a nice church building on North Cowan Avenue where they meet for regular services. They have a pastor who leads the membership, and they are very devoted to their church. This is not a large congregation, but they are growing in numbers and it is thought before long they will have plenty of people to carry on the work.

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NEW OWNERSHIP MAP Dickens County UP-TO-DATE fee ownership and addresses, leases with expiration dates and all oil development to date. The only accurate, up-to-date map on this county. Scale 4000' equals 1 inch \$7.50 Paper \$10.00 Cloth DICKENS COUNTY REPRESENTATIVE Mr. H. T. Tooke, Dickens Co. Court House, Dickens, Texas. County Ownership Maps on all active West Texas Areas, up-to-date lease and fee ownership and oil development. ZINGERY OIL MAP COMPANY FAIR BUILDING FORT WORTH

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### County Trustees To Be Elected

The terms of office of the following county trustees will expire: Mrs. C. R. Bennett, Commissioner's Precinct No. 3, Mr. Norman Lawson, Commissioner's Precinct No. 2, and Mr. Joe Thannisch, Commissioner's Precinct No. 4. The county trustees are elected on Saturday April 2, at the same time that the local trustees are elected.

Mr. Thannisch and Mr. Lawson will accept the positions again if re-elected. Mr. C. R. Bennett doesn't have time to be on the county school board now, and can not accept the position if elected. He is retiring after seventeen years of faithful and efficient service on the board.

Mr. W. D. Starcher has been commended by various people to the place of Mr. C. R. Bennett, retiring trustee from Commissioner's Precinct No. 3. Mr. Starcher is well qualified for this position because of his many years of teaching in the public schools of the state, and because of his active interest in the educational advancement of the schools of the county. He is acquainted with all phases of school management and control, and will spare no effort in bringing about better schools for Dickens County.

Mr. Lawson and Mr. Thannisch have proved their worth on the County Board, and will no doubt be re-elected to serve their respective precincts again. Itc

### Political ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Times is authorized to announce the following candidates for office, subject to action of the Democratic Primary, July 23, 1938:

For Representative 110th District: C. L. HARRIS (re-election)

For District Judge 110th Judicial District: KENNETH BAIN (Floyd County) ALTON B. CHAPMAN

For District Attorney: WINFRED F. NEWSOME (Floyd County) JOHN A. HAMILTON (Motley County)

For District Clerk: MRS. NETTIE LITTLEFIELD (Re-Election)

For County Judge: MARSHAL FORMBY (Re-Election)

For Sheriff and Tax Collector: W. O. FINLEY J. D. (JACK) GIPSON JOHNNIE KOONSMAN (Re-Election) LEE CATHEY D. F. (FRED) CHRISTOPHER

For County Attorney: L. D. RATLIFF

For County Clerk: FRED ARRINGTON (Re-election) HARVEY HINES ERIC OUSLEY

For County Treasurer: MRS. ALICE MURPHREE (Re-Election) MRS. OVIE DRAPER MRS. MIKE M. YOUNG

For Commissioner Precinct 1: H. D. NICKELS. D. W. HUGHES

For Justice of Peace Pre. 1: R. H. ESKRIDGE

For Commissioner Precinct 2: E. N. (NUGE) JOHNSON E. J. (JIM) OFFIELD F. L. BYARS W. F. (Forest) RAGLAND

For Public Weigher, Precinct 2: T. A. (GUS) MARTIN. S. J. McSPADEN

For Commissioner Prec. 2, Kent County: H. L. UNDERWOOD

For Commissioner Precinct 3: C. R. BENNETT W. F. FOREMAN W. H. HINDMAN H. J. PARKS ROY ARRINGTON W. A. JOHNSON C. F. (Clarence) WATTERS DON PERRIN C. N. (NEWY) KIDD

For Justice of Peace, Pre. 3: G. B. JOPLIN

For Constable Precinct 3: A. M. SHEPHERD

For Commissioner Precinct 4: M. B. GAGE.

### Wilson Garner, and Johnny Nichols Have The T. P. Station

Friday of the past week Wilson Garner and Johnny Nichols took charge of the T-P Service Station across the street from the Spur Inn. The station was formerly operated by B. T. Dewveall.

They are offering a special wash and grease job for your car, you will see in an advertisement elsewhere in the Times. They also have a complete line of standard and tires and tubes, and extend an invitation to the public to visit their station for first class service.

### Local Bakery Serves Many Nearby Towns

Spur Bakery is an institution of service to many communities. Daily trucks go to Jayton, Girard, Matamor, Roaring Springs, Glenn, Afon, Elton, Dickens, Kalgary and other points where their fine line of cakes, pies and their famous reads are furnished the public. His is done in addition to serving Spur and the community around. The Spur Bakery has done and is doing its part to the building of the community and would be greatly missed should we lose this business firm. Mr. and Mrs. Fox are very zealous in extending every courtesy possible and will be treated right when trading with them.

### NOTICE OF AN ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held on Saturday, April 9, 1938 in the Spur Independent School District and in the Espuela Common School district to determine whether or not these two school districts shall be consolidated for school purposes. Voting in the Spur box will be in the directors' room of the Spur Security Bank and J. R. Laine has been appointed presiding judge of the Spur box. Voters in the Espuela district will vote at the Espuela school house and Harold Karr has been appointed presiding judge. Each presiding judge shall appoint two clerks to assist in the election. Polls will be open from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m. All legal qualified voters will be eligible to cast a ballot.

Three notices of this election have been posted in each of these two school districts. Dated this 19th day of March, A.D. 1938.

Marshall Formby, County Judge, Dickens County, Texas. (3-24; 3-31; 4-7-1938)

### CITATION BY PUBLICATION

The State of Texas. To the Sheriff or any Constable of Dickens County.

GREETING: You are commanded to summons Ora Bess Cox, by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest county, where a newspaper is published to appear at the next regular term of the county court of Dickens to be holden at the court house thereof in Dickens, Texas, on the third (3rd) Monday in April, A. D. 1938, the same being the 18th day of April A.D. 1938, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court, on the 30th day of December A.D. 1937, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court, No. 615. Wherein J. D. McWaters is plaintiff, and A. C. Hull and Ora Bess Cox, are defendants, said petition alleging,

That on or about the 17th day of November, Defendant A. C. Hull employed plaintiff to do some repair work in the building owned by the defendant Ora Bess Cox, located on Burlington Ave. Spur, Dickens County, Texas. Plaintiff while in the employ of defendant Hull and working in said building owned by defendant, Ora Bess Cox, plaintiff broke through the floor which both defendants, knew or could have known was in an unsafe and rotten condition, and broke his right leg just above his knee, to his damage (personal) in the sum of \$250.00 and further damage as Doctor bill in the sum of \$90.00, and for attorney's fee and all cost of suit.

Herein fail not, but have you before the Court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ with your return thereon showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, in the County of Dickens, this the 3rd day of March, A. D. 1938.

Fred Arrington, Clerk of County Court of Dickens County. 4tc.



BOB TAYLOR Bob Taylor who was owner and editor of the West Texas Oil Press published at Big Spring, Texas, worked untiringly in helping get out this special oil edition for this paper. Mr. Taylor is well known throughout the West Texas oil fields.

### Walter Woodul Announces For Attorney General

Lieutenant Governor Walter Woodul of Houston, announced his candidacy today for the office of Attorney General of Texas.

In a statement to the people of Texas, Lieutenant Governor Woodul said:

"If elected Attorney General, I shall devote my time and energies to the duties of the office.

"I shall strive to give the people and every department of state government a non-political and fearless administration, and will conduct my department as efficiently and economically as possible. I shall choose my assistants on the basis of merit rather than politics.

"I shall safeguard and defend to my utmost ability the interest of the people of Texas and of the public schools in the public domain. I shall enforce the antitrust laws of this state, the oil laws and all other laws it may become the Attorney General's duty to enforce.

"I believe that my legal training and experience, together with my service in both branches of the State Legislature and my two terms as Lieutenant Governor fit me to fill the office of Attorney General in a manner acceptable to the people.

"I plan to make an active campaign on my own merits, visiting as many sections of Texas as time

### Farmers Ask To Return SRM-205

It is imperative that all farmers receiving Form SRM-205, Supplemental Data to 1937 Work Sheet, return same to the County Agent's office at once. It is very important that all information requested thereon be furnished. Special attention should be given to paragraph I, and if a farm has been subdivided or combined with any other farm since the 1937 work sheet was submitted, furnish information as to whom the 1938 operator will be, and the amount of land so subdivided or combined. These forms should be completely filled out and returned to County Agent at once! (signed)G. J. Lane, County Agent.

### MESSAGE OF APPRECIATION

We take this means to express to our neighbors and friends our appreciation for their helpfulness and comfort during the illness and death of our sister and aunt, Mrs. O. Moore Hall. Especially do we thank Dr. Bob Alexander for his careful consideration and attention, and we want every one to know we remember your kindness in every respect.

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Ramsey W. C. Ramsey Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Jimison Mrs. M. E. Moore & children Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Moore and children Mrs. G. R. Moore & children.

permits, and discussing frankly the issues involved in the race."

Woodul's great popularity with Texas voters was shown when he ran for Lieutenant Governor in 1934, his first race for a state office. He received twice as large a vote as any other candidate for Lieutenant Governor ever rolled up in a first primary. He led the entire Democratic ticket in the runoff primary.

Unopposed in 1936 for a second term as Lieutenant Governor, he received a total of 1,068,429 votes.

Before entering the Lieutenant Governor's office, Woodul served in the Texas House and Senate, where he was a leader in the passage of laws for a unified highway system, better schools, improved social conditions, improved labor conditions, and laws helpful to the farmer and livestock raiser.

His tenure as Lieutenant Governor has been marked by fairness, firmness and lack of partisanship. He has served 18 times as acting Governor of Texas.

Pledges of support for Woodul in his race for Attorney General have been received from every county in Texas.

### CHARLIE LOCKHART HERE



Charlie Lockhart, State Treasurer, was in Spur Saturday morning passing through enroute to Dallas, and took time to meet a few friends while here. Mr. Lockhart made his formal announcement Monday as a candidate for re-election. During his term of office he has handled around \$200,000,000 per year for the State of Texas and the State has never come up a penny short yet. He served his state at a low salary, but received better pay during the present term. He is a citizen of Seury county and served that county as treasurer before going to Austin. Mr. Lockhart has many friends in Dickens county.

### R. E. Fielder Injured Last Week

R. E. Fielder, director of the Spur school band and teacher in High school, slipped about five vertebrae in his back Thursday of last week. He stated that he forgot that he was a boy no longer, and went out to play with some children at school. The injury came very unexpected.

Mr. Fielder waited until Friday and his back was aching so that he decided to go to his home in Abilene where he could get some special X-Ray work done. The doctors told him he had five vertebrae in his spinal column slipped. He went immediately to a specialist to treat the condition and he seems to be getting along very nicely now.

J. T. Vickers, of the Afton community, was in Spur Monday, attending to business affairs. While here Mr. Vickers came in the Times office and subscribed for the paper.

### To Wheat Producers of Dickens County

It is important that you furnish the county agent's office with specific information on wheat production and acres planted through the years 1933 to 1937, inclusive.

Compliance will be checked, and payments computed in 1938, against allotments when they are established, so it is to your interest, financially, to furnish this office with this information if you have not already done so. (signed)G. J. Lane, County Agent.

### ATTEND MEETING IN LUBBOCK

The convention of variety store owners, managers and salesmen was held in Lubbock Sunday. Among those attending from Spur were: Mr. and Mrs. Dick Speer, owners; Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Stephens, managers; Mrs. L. E. Lee, Misses Frances Morris, Ruth Meek, Marian Paula Speer of the sales force at the Speer's 5-Cent to 5-Dollar Store here.

### IT IS DANGEROUS

It is dangerous to sell a SUBSTITUTE for 666 just to make three or four cents more. Customers are your best assets; lose them and you lose your business. 666 is worth three or four times as much as a SUBSTITUTE.

BETTER FLAVOR HOME-MADE CHILI... Gebhardt's CHILI POWDER... GOES TWICE AS FAR!

NOW... ENJOY QUALITY SHAVES at a record low price... 4 BLADES only 10¢... PROBAK JUNIOR BLADES

Specials For Saturday and 1st Mon. RAYON BED SPREADS Size 80x106, Regular \$1.49 value Only 98c... Ladies Sheer Hose... Ladies New Spring HATS... Ladies Slacks & Overalls... Children's Dress Hats... Men's Dress Shirts... Chamberlain's Hand Lotion... WHITTACRE - MILAM'S Spur's New Variety Store

Bill McCraw FOR GOVERNOR OF TEXAS... Attorney General McCraw, ever a friend of the masses and a supporter of those practical leaders in the government who are seeking to improve working conditions... While the duties of his office have been very many, he has served with credit and no blemish appears to mar his stainless record.

### Changes In Inter-Scholastic Meet

Due to rain last Saturday the Dickens County Interscholastic League Officials were forced to postpone the playground ball and tennis games until this week. Tennis contestants met yesterday at Spur and had county representation decided in all divisions. Playground ball games will be played Saturday. The girls will play while the junior boys engage in junior track and field events Saturday morning, and the boys will have their playground ball games in the afternoon.

Literary events will take place as originally planned on Friday. Elsewhere in this edition will be found the completed schedule for these events. Judges for the literary events are from the Speech Department from Texas Technological college.

The One-Act Play contest will be held at the school auditorium in Dickens Monday night of next week at 8 p.m. There will be three plays presented on this occasion. All school pupils will be charged 10c and adults 20c for admission to this contest.

The Girls' Volley Ball contest will be played at Patton Springs tonight when a charge of 5 and 10c will be required for admission.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cloud left Tuesday for Snyder, where they will make their home in the future. Mr. Cloud took over administration of the old age assistance work in Scurry, Garza and Mitchell counties.

Mrs. J. A. Ward, of San Angelo, is in Spur this week visiting with her daughter, Mrs. A. C. Hull, Mr. Hull and Ann.



EDGAR C. MCGEE

Edgar C. McGee is a public-spirited man and has associated himself with the Rotary Club and is one of the blocks in the foundation of the Boyd M. Williams Post of the American Legion of Spur. Any business man of Spur or another municipality could take a lesson in watching Mr. McGee handle his finances. He is a judge of bargains and uses his credit most sparingly. He is indeed a progressive citizen and contributes his efficiency toward the welfare of the community.

Winifred F. Newsome, of Floydada, a candidate for District Attorney of the 110th District, was in Spur Tuesday of this week, meeting the voters of this part of his district. While here Mr. Newsome was a very pleasant caller at the Times office.

Bobby Franklin, of California, was enrolled as a new pupil in Spur Grammar school Tuesday.

### Rev. Joe Frederick To Be Pastor Of First Christian Church Spur

Rev. Joe Frederick of T.C.U. Fort Worth has been called as minister to the Christian Church, his services to begin the first Sunday in April. For the present (until school is out) he will come each week end, after that if all things prove satisfactory to him and to the church he will become a full time resident minister.

Rev. Frederick is a young man, not married, finished his regular educational courses last year and this year has been taking special advance courses. He comes highly recommended by our church and educational leaders.

### Isabelle Campbell Initiated In Chapter

GEORGETOWN, March 26 — Theta Epsilon chapter of Delta Delta Delta sorority at Southwestern University has announced the initiation of the following: Margaret Anderson, Moody; Patricia Batte, Cameron; Camille Behringer, Ballinger; Isabelle Campbell, Spur; Dorothy Dell Easterling, Groesbeck; Doris Morgan, Cuero; Marjorie Perry, Lufkin; Frances Stocklas, Rosebud; Effie Shivers, Crockett; Betty Welch, Groesbeck, and Mary Sue Witt, Georgetown.

Misses Era Belle Hogan and Polly Clemmons, were visitors in Lubbock Tuesday.

Mrs. Sam Clemmons, spent the first of the week visiting with friends in Lubbock.

Mrs. Charlie Fox and Mrs. Jack Senning, were Lubbock visitors Friday of the past week.

## Come to Spur Friday, Saturday and Monday and Attend Our 88c SALE At The Fair Store - Sensational Values!!

### DOORS OPEN 8 A. M.

Ladies' Full-Fashioned HOSE  
Seldom is there a bargain like this. Pure thread silk, 2 pairs—

### 88c Limited Stock

SHIRTS and SHORTS  
Broadcloth Shorts, Ribknit Shirts  
4 pieces for

### 88c

# 88c DAYS

Here's a Group of Red Hot Values that mean Big Savings to you. Big "Buys" in Every Department Here!

### DOORS OPEN 8 A. M.

Pastel Colored TURKISH TOWELS  
Double loop 16x30 12 towels for —

### 88c PRINTS

10 yards  
Fine Quality—a sensational value for Friday, Saturday and Monday, for—

### 88c

### BOY'S OVERALLS

Blue Beauty brand, double straps

### 88c

### MEN'S OVERALLS

8 oz. sanforized, extra good quality, Special—

### 88c

### MEN'S WORK SHIRTS

Well stitched blue or grey. All sizes, Special —

### 88c

### MEN'S KHAKI SHIRTS and PANTS

All triple stitched, both for —

### \$1.98

### MEN'S WORK SHOES

All heavy leather—out and inner sole. Peter Brand. Special—

### \$1.88

### 68c

### DOMESTIC EXTRA HEAVY GRADE

Regular 10c Value, Special 14 yards for—

### 88c

### SATURDAY and MONDAY WOMEN'S DAY AT THE FAIR STORE



Wash Dresses, all new styles. Pastel . . . Printed designs. Also newest color combinations and trimmings. \$1.95 value, Special —

### \$1.48

### ANY MAN'S DRESS SHIRTS

E. & W. and other brands. Values up to \$1.00, Special —

### 88c

### 36-INCH BATISTE

Printed. A real value. 10 yards—

### 88c

### NEW SPRING SILKS

In fancy print and plain colors. 1 YARD —

### 58c

### 80 sq. Tub Fast PRINTS

Plain and fancy colors, 36 in. wide. Regular 19c Value — 2 YARDS

### 28c

### NIGHT GOWNS PORTO-RICO

Hand made, beautiful designs, all colors, your choice —

### 25c

### LADIES' BEACH SANDALS

All colors and sizes. Ideal for Wash Dress.

### 98c

### BED SPREADS

All colors, seamless, edge scalloped. Size 80 x 105, Extra Special —

### 68c

## The Fair Store

GEO. GABRIEL, MANAGER

### Mattress Tick

Good Quality, Regular 15c Value, 10 yards for

### 88c

JOE ALLISON                      LEGG & HICKS

# Spur Stations

DONALD ENSEY    H. T. GARNER    G. W. JUSTICE

# TEXACO

## MOTOR OIL

## Havoline Oil

*FIRE-CHIEF*

# GASOLINE

# Marfak Grease

DICKENS

Paul Stamford  
Hugh Swearingen  
T. S. Lambert

Stations At

M. Yandell  
L. O. Mayer  
M. C. Dunaway



Stations At

W. J. Wilson  
ROARING SPRINGS  
H. Jackson

KALGARY  
T. E. Harwell

GIRARD  
D. J. Young

CLAIREMONT  
J. P. Barkley

## E. C. McGee, Agent

### Funeral Service For Noel Bilberry Held Thursday

Funeral services were held at the First Baptist Church Thursday afternoon for Noel Lyndall Bilberry, 7, son of Mr. and Mrs. Vinson Bilberry, Monday. Arrangements were made and the body brought overland to Spur, arriving here about two o'clock Thursday morning. Interment was in Spur cemetery with Campbell's Mortuary in Charge of arrangements. According to reports the child suffered a fall about a month before his death, receiving injuries in the section of the thorax. He was kept out of school for a few days and then seemed all right and returned to school. He went home from school Monday of last week and blood began to emit from his mouth. A physician was called, but nothing could seem to relieve conditions and the child passed away about ten o'clock Monday

night, being ill only a few hours. The survivors are the parents, a sister Imogene, 8, and a brother, Kenneth Dale, 4; the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Bilberry of Espuela community, and Mrs. Bronson, the great grandparents, Rev. and Mrs. J. V. Bilberry of Spur, a number of aunts and uncles, and great aunts and great uncles. Rev. B. B. Huckabay, pastor of the Baptist Church at Dickens and Espuela, read the funeral rites.

### Patton Springs Trustee Election

Saturday of this week, April 2, the Patton Springs school district will elect three local trustees. The names of R. E. Rogers, John Norris, Luther Stark, and Virgil Ford have been petitioned to appear on the ballots. From these four there will be three elected. Voting boxes will be located at the Patton Springs school building at the Croton Community House; at the Duncan Flat school house;

and at on of the church buildings at Midway. At the Patton Springs box and at Prairie Chapel the voters will select a county trustee for Commissioners Precinct No. 2. No names are printed on the ballots for county trustee. The voter writes in the name of the person he prefers for the place. Mr. O. C. Newberry of Afton is being prominently mentioned for the county trustee position. No county trustee will be voted on at Midway and Duncan Flat boxes, as these two boxes are in another Com. Precinct, which does not have a vacancy this year on the county board. At the Croton box the voters will select one county trustee for still another Com. Precinct. Mrs. Roy Howard, of Crosbyton, spent a few days here the first of the week, visiting with her mother, Mrs. Kate Senning and son, Charles and other relatives and friends of the city.

Try A Want Ad in The Times

AT A BARGAIN  
1423 1/2 Acres, 11 miles west of Spur. 40 acres cultivation, 4-room house. Good fence. Plenty of Water.  
Quick Sale \$7.00 Per Acre—See G. L. Jennings, 517 Pine St. Abilene Texas Phone 3931

### COMFORT FOR THE RUPTURED

**NON-SKID Spot Pad Trusses**

Hold your rupture with one-half the pressure required by ordinary trusses. This newly invented Spot Pad when attached to one of our Spring or Elastic NON-SKID Trusses, holds like your finger. The surrounding NON-SKID surface keeps the pad in place, thus increasing your chance of obtaining a cure. Recommended by physicians. Many different styles—Sinecure, Double Spring and Elastic. Let our expert fitters prescribe a NON-SKID Truss for your requirements, and end your rupture troubles today.

**FREE CONSULTATION**

CITY DRUG COMPANY

# Palace Theatre One Of The Finest In West Texas

## Finest In Entertainment

The Palace Theatre, under the management of C. F. Hardwick, is one of the most modern shows in West Texas, showing the latest and best pictures, right along with the city shows.

Mr. Hardwick bought the Palace and the old Ritz Theatres in April 1936, from J. C. Parker. He is a pioneer in the theatre business having been interested in a number of show houses for years. He is a native of Clovis, New Mexico, where he also operated theatres.

Mr. Hardwick closed the Ritz and opened the Spur Theatre across from the Palace, and during busy seasons runs both shows to accommodate the show going crowd of Dickens and surrounding counties.

Mr. and Mrs. Hardwick moved from Hereford to Spur.

## Red Front Drug Up-To-Date Store

Owned and operated by A. C. Hull, is one of the liveliest business firms in Spur. Mr. Hull came to Spur several years ago and served as principal of the High School, doing great work as a teacher. Later he purchased an interest in the Red Front Drug store with G. R. Elkins who was the owner at the time. About one year afterward Mr. Elkin's health gave down and Mr. Hull had to assume the management of the business, which he did. After Mr. Elkins passed away Mr. Hull bought the remaining interest from Mrs. Elkins and has owned and managed the business since.

It is an up to date business and every type of merchandise to be found in any drug store is kept in stock at the Red Front.

## Club Report

A report from four clubs to the County Home Demonstration Council, which met March 26 in the Home Demonstration Agent's office, indicated that nearly 1800 shade trees, 235 fruit trees, berry plants, and grape vines, and 424 shrubs had been set out since the first of the year in the Duck Creek, McAdoo, Afton, and Espuela communities. Other clubs did not have complete reports, but from all indications, there has been extensive tree planting all over the county.

The members of the County Council voted to sponsor the Ball Jar Contest for the purpose of raising funds for the Council. The contest will be held in the clubs in September, and the county winners picked from the club winners.

Beginning in April, the clubs of the county will adopt the "Good Neighbor" plan for expanding in Home Demonstration work. Briefly, the "Good Neighbor" plan is that each club woman will have a non-club neighbor to whom she will give Home Demonstration information and help.

Mrs. F. B. Crockett, Espuela, gave a very valuable talk on the District meeting of the Texas Home Demonstration Association which she attended. Mrs. Crockett reported some activities of other counties that made Home Demonstration work more interesting and helpful to the most people.

Those present for the Council were: Mrs. I. E. Aernatay, Mrs. Floyd Barnett and Mrs. Foster Jones of Soldier Mound; Mrs. Katie Conaster, Duck Creek; Mrs. F. B. Crockett, Espuela; Miss Bettie Mae Whitford and Mrs. Lester English, Highway; Mrs. Carl Randolph, Afton; and Mrs. Fred Arrington and Mrs. L. C. Murphy, Dickens.

**WANT ADS**

LOST—White Persian Cat, 1 blue eye, 1 brown eye. Last seen Brazelton Lumber Yard, notify Mrs. J. A. Murphy. Itc

WANTED—Experienced white housekeeper to work for couple on ranch. References. Call Mrs. Cliff Bird at Reese McNeills or write Box 212, Spur. Itc

FOR SALE: Higuera, 3c a bundle, good heads; grain worth price. E. D. Chambers, Glenn, Texas. Itc

FOR RENT—Apartment and rooms. Call Horace Gibson.



J. A. CLUCK

Who is the drilling contractor for the well on Section 290 of the 3rd Ranch, west of Spur. Well is now drilling below 2,300 feet.

## Church of Christ Has Large Congregation

This congregation has a nice new building located on the corner of Trummel and East Third Street. For many years they were in a frame building located at the corner of Carroll and Third Street, three blocks west of the present location.

The present church building was erected in 1926, and so zealous was the membership that every dollar the building cost had been placed in the bank and when the contractor had completed the work his money was ready for him. The Church of Christ never held a single service in the building before it was paid for.

G. A. Dunn, Jr., minister, is at present in charge. However, he is in the University of Texas as a student working on his Doctor's Degree and the Elders and Deacons are looking after the work of the church. The Elders are: J. N. Luce, W. M. Malone, and E. S. Lee. The Deacons are: O. L. Kelley, S. E. Boothe, Dalton Johnson and R. L. Benson.

Services are held regularly every Sunday morning and evening and the different services for the week are taken care of in a nice way.

## PATTON SPRINGS RECEIVES CREDITS

Deputy State Supt. John L. Beard visited the Patton Springs school last week for the annual check-up on the high school work. While there he granted credits to the school in Public Speaking, Dram-

## Episcopal Church New and Modern

This congregation erected a nice building the first of 1937 at the corner of Second Street and Trumbell Avenue. The congregation was organized in the early days of the town by Bishop Garrett and worship was held in various places each month.

Rev. Weary was the first preacher in charge. He was followed by Bishop E. Cecil Seaman, who at that time was an Arch Deacon. Rev. Williams, Rev. Seaman and Rev. Steadman came once each month most of the time and conducted services for the membership.

Many people of our town will remember Rev. Percy Jones who came many years from Stamford and held services in the Presbyterian church for his people. Rev. W. H. Martin followed Bro. Jones and Rev. Hayes is in charge of the work now.

The new church building was dedicated with a special service about the first of May, 1937. Bishop Seaman delivered the dedicatory address which was very fine. The building is paid for in full, and people of that faith coming to Spur can be assure of a place to worship.

## AFTON HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB

The Afton Home Demonstration club met with Mrs. Jesse Powell, Friday March 25. Miss Day, H. D. Agent, gave a demonstration on "Running Water in the Kitchen" and discussed many subjects important to every housewife.

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tics, Salesmanship, an extra half-unit in Typing, and recommended the granting of a half-unit in band. The school is asking an additional unit in Home Economics, which will be passed on by the special supervisor of that subject, who will visit the school later in the year. The deputy state superintendents do not pass on Home Economics and Voc. Ag. credits.

While at Patton Springs, Mr. Beard commended very highly the quality of work being done in the Patton Springs school. The school now has 26 1-2 units of accredited work, and with the anticipated granting of the additional unit in Home Economics will close the year with 27 1-2 credits. Every subject taught in the high school is affiliated.

## Says Candidate True Man

M. C. Martin, of Austin, was in Spur Monday talking to people about the candidacy of William McCraw for Governor. He stated that Mr. McCraw is a real statesman and that he wants to help the little man. He stated he had been in close touch with Mr. McCraw for many years, and he finds him to be one of the best informed lawyers in the state and that his work as Attorney General is strictly impartial. He said people would be voting for a good man when they vote for Mr. McCraw.

## McAdoo Wins

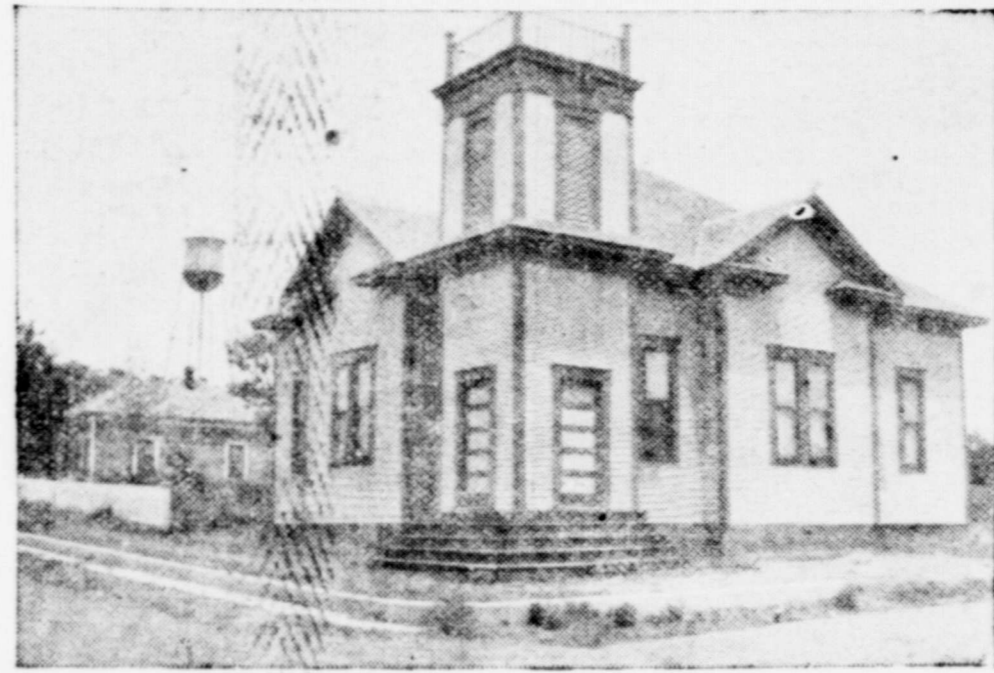
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senby and Dorothy Barber, Spur, first; Pauline Reynolds and Fay Sizemore, Dickens, second.

High school senior boys and girls: Dickens, 35 points; Spur 15 points; McAdoo, 40 points; Patton Springs, 10 points.

High school junior boys and girls: Dickens, 20 points; Spur 10 points; McAdoo 60 points; Patton

## Presbyterian Church of Spur



The Presbyterian Church was organized in Spur in 1909 just after the opening of the town. The first pastor was Rev. Lloyd and the first Sunday School superintendent was F. W. Jennings, now manager for the Brazelton Lumber company. Cap McNeill is the Sunday school superintendent at this time. Rev.

Fred Cairns, who had served as pastor for many years, resigned just a few weeks ago to accept a church in Arkansas. There is a very fine field here for a good live pastor and the membership will stand by him. They are loyal to their church and are carrying on in a great way without a pastor.

Ward school boys and girls: Dickens 25 points; Spur 50 points; McAdoo 25 points; Patton Springs,

Total points each school received: Dickens, 70; Spur 75; McAdoo 125; Patton Springs, 20.

## First Baptist Church One Of First Organizations In Spur

The Baptist church was one of the first church organizations in Spur. The congregation held their first meetings in a little frame building on West Third Street and later built a tabernacle on the lots where the present building now stands. The building was begun in 1920 and completed in 1921 and was then and still is a very modern structure. Rev. Pat Horton, of the First Baptist Church at Plainview, was the first Sunday school superintendent.

The church has an active membership and many of the ablest preachers in the denomination served as pastors. Rev. C. R. Joyner is the present pastor and is doing a great work. People who visit Spur will always find a welcome at the First Baptist church. Rev. Joyner came on the field last September. He is an able preacher and a very likeable character. James B. Reed is the Sunday school superintendent and is working at the job.

TEXSUN ORANGES Sweet and juicy 176 size, doz. 19c

FANCY WINESAP APPLES The children love them 216 size, Dozen 10c

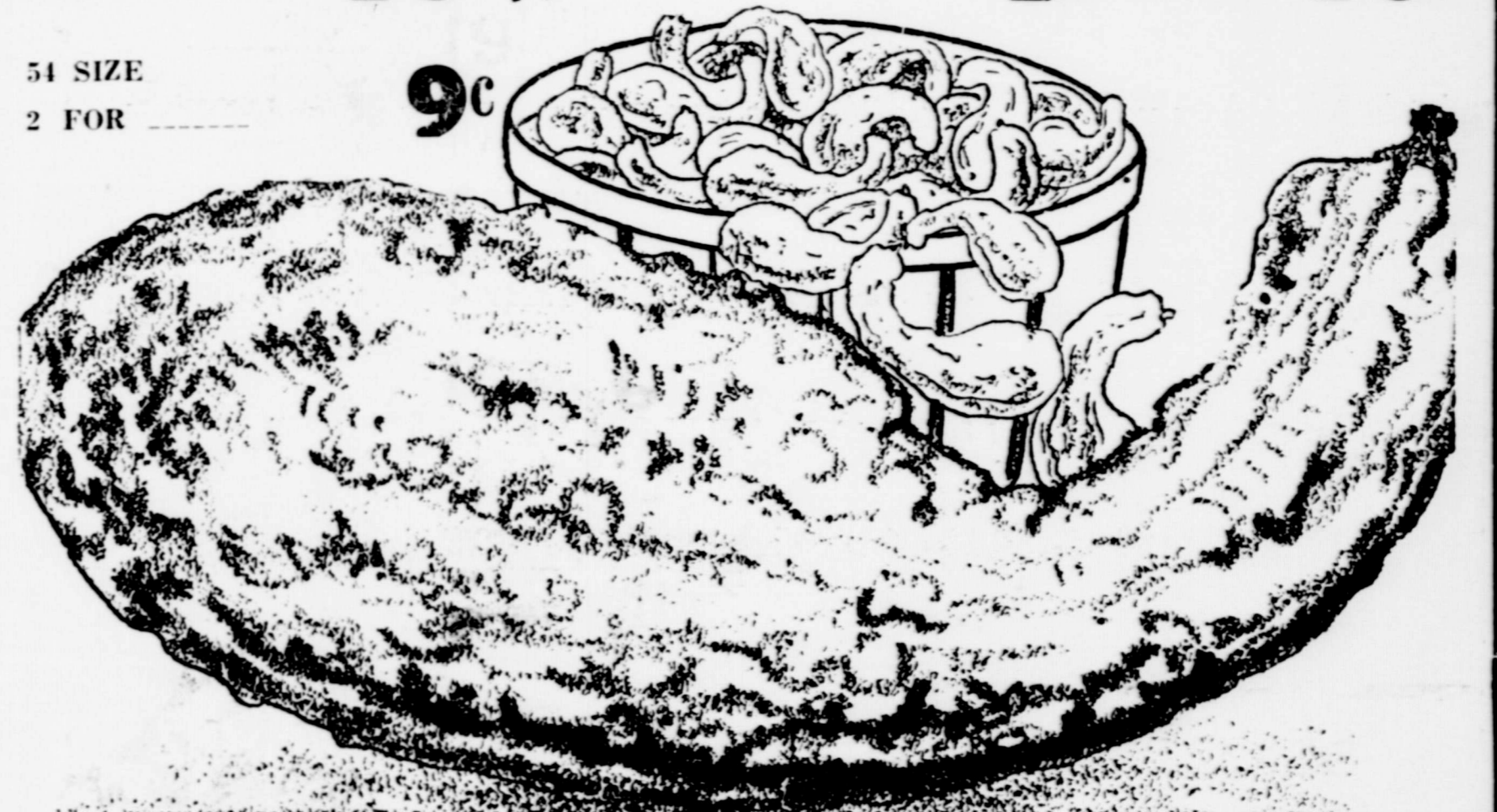
FANCY TEXAS GRAPEFRUIT 54 SIZE 2 FOR 9c

STRINGLESS Green Beans Pound 5c

RED TRIUMPH New Potatoes 4 pounds 15c

CARROTS OR RADISHES 2 bunches 5c

WHITE or YELLOW SQUASH YOUNG and TENDER 3 pounds 10c



SOUR OR DILL Pickles QUART JAR 15c

AMERICAN OIL Sardines REG. CAN 4c

STANDARD QUALITY Mackerel CAN TALL 10c

KITCHEN KRAFT Flour SACK 24 LB. 83c 48 LB. SACK \$1.49

KELLOGGS Cornflakes 3 Large Packages 25c

Sugar, 10 lb bag 52c Rice, 3 pounds 15c

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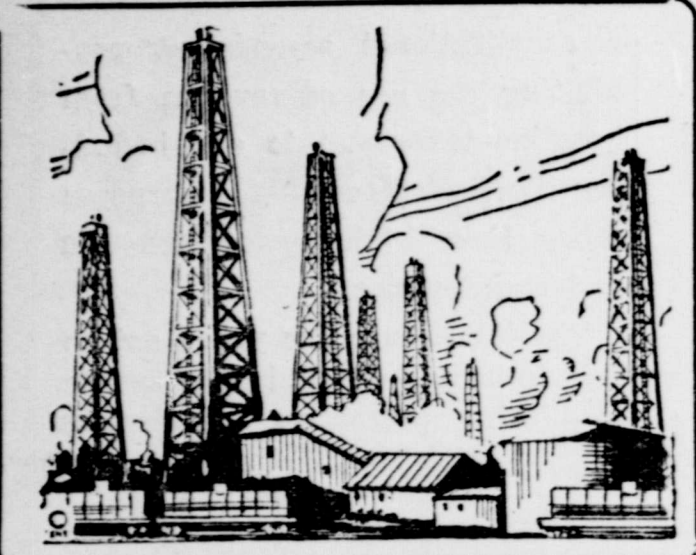
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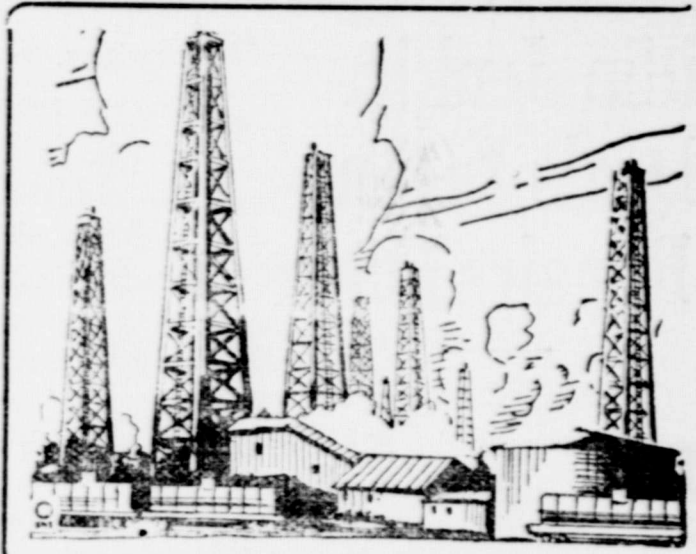
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## Dickens County Center of Wildcat Activity

### J. F. Morrissey Oil Co. Active In Dickens County

#### Dickens County Occupies Spotlights In West Texas Oil Development

J. F. Morrissey has for some 15 years past been interested in oil properties in Texas, Louisiana and Oklahoma and particularly in West Texas, where he opened up a new oil pool in Callahan County, and an extension of some six miles to the Taylor-Lind Oil Pool in an associate leased from the University of Texas the entire area of the Taylor-Lind Oil Pool, and he was from the beginning interested in the productive area of Winkler County.

In a recent interview, Mr. Morrissey stated that every year of his experience had convinced him more and more that West Texas is, as yet, the most neglected and the "least scratched" part of Texas, while, on the other hand, it is by far the richest prospective oil area of this State.

He added, that geological work which he had had done and to which he had access had drawn his special attention to Dickens County, and parts of other counties adjacent to it long before he had decided to drill in Dickens County, and that he was confident that this county will shortly prove to be one of the richest and most extensive oil productive areas in Texas. He remarked that he had no doubt whatever that his own belief in this area had long been shared by some of the best advise large oil interests operating in the State, and that he saw a confirmation of this belief in the immediate outburst of unprecedented geological and geophysical activity here, following his starting operations in Dickens County, which convinced wide-awake oil companies that this area could no longer remain asleep.

"I anticipate seeing very early and very large oil production in this area", Mr. Morrissey added,



J. F. MORRISSEY

"and I expect to see oil wells producing on land of every one of the people who have earnestly cooperated in getting oil development here. That is to me a source of the very greatest satisfaction, because they just don't make better folks than the people of Spur and the surrounding area of Dickens County. I look to see Spur, during 1938 become the best and most prosperous oil city in West Texas."

#### UNDERREAMING

F. A. Gillespie No. 1 J. N. Hatfield southwestern Jones county wildcat north of the Noodle Creek field, was underreaming six-inch casing this weekend to a total depth of 2,848 feet in hard brown lime. It is located in the Hatfield 80-acre tract in M. Northington survey No. 270.

Let's make Spur the trading center for oil development.

### Wild Cat Test Running High In Spur Section

BY C. F. CARTER  
Dallas, Texas

If the Spur vicinity is not an oil field, then the good "Lord" branded the wrong maverick. Personally I don't believe He did it, "He" doesn't make that kind of mistake, and in all my experience I have never looked over a more favorable spot. I believe in the near future you will even see shallow production, and I'm counting on it, as I have proved by the months of untiring effort to get it done. With the full cooperation of the good people of the vicinity we are nearing the point of proof, of course we believe in the deeper oil too, and if it takes a deep well, then we will get that too, but rest assured oil is here. Geology, Geophysics and oil shows can't be entirely wrong.

I have spent about eighteen months in Dickens county, with Dickens county folks, and I can truthfully say that as a whole they are the whitest and finest of my kind of folks. They are cooperative, liberal and honest . . . the kind to tie to, and I'm sticking with them to the end.

### Gas Lines Laid to KMA New Tests

WICHITA FALLS, —With 22,000 feet of gas line now under construction, the United Gas Company announced plans for the laying of an additional 56,000 feet to transport fuel to the many drilling wells in the Kemp City field. Line under construction extends from northeast corner of section 36, abstract 743, southeast of Stanforth well and traverses southwest to the Ballin-Whittington well and other tests in the vicinity.

### Amon G. Carter Buys A High Priced Hog

Ninety cent per pound, highest price of 42 annual stock shows was paid for the Grand Champion Hampshire barrow exhibited by Texas Technological College at the Fort Worth Fat Stock show last week. Sold to Amon G. Carter, editor-publisher of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram, the animal brought \$301.13.

This is the second grand champion Tech has produced in eleven years competition, the other being a Duroc barrow in 1935.

### Pennsylvania's Deepest Test Dry; 8,842 Feet

—The deepest test ever drilled in Pennsylvania was abandoned as dry at 8,842 feet. It was drilled with a rotary outfit by North Penn Gas Co. near the town of Keating Summit, western Potter county. The outfit will be moved to the Hill farm at Germania, Potter county, near the town of Galeton where another try will be made for Oriskany said, a prolific gas producer in other parts of the county.

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### Spur Security Bank Enjoys Growth Of Business Since 1933

The Spur Security Bank was organized in Spur, December 23rd, 1933, and opened for business December 28, 1933, with the late C. A. Jones as Chairman of the Board, the late W. B. Lee as President, Clifford B. Jones and W. T. Andrews as Vice Presidents, F. G. Collier, Cashier and E. S. Lee, Ass't Cashier, with the following Directors: C. A. Jones, Clifford B. Jones, W. T. Andrews, W. F. Godfrey, Neq Hogan, W. B. Lee and George S. Link.

The bank has enjoyed a steady growth since opening and shows total assets on March 7th, 1938, of \$805,685.61. It has been the purpose of the bank to serve the people of the community without discrimination to the best of its ability and consistent with fair banking practices. It enjoys the confidence of the entire community and has been ready and willing to cooperate in all things for the betterment of the community. The officers and employees have spent much time assisting in the recent attempted development for oil and have been glad to assume the increase in responsibilities caused by this development. They have attempted to always be friendly and of friendly service to the patrons of this community.

Although the bank is a State bank, it enjoys a membership in the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation which guarantees each individual's deposit to a maximum of \$5,000.00.

The present officers and directors are Clifford B. Jones, President and Director, W. T. Andrews, Vice President and Director, E. S. Lee, Cashier and Director, W. F. Godfrey, Director, Neq Logan, Director, George S. Link, Director, F. F. Vernon, Ass't Cashier, and Robert Lewis, Ass't Cashier.

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### How The Present Oil Interest Was Started In Dickens County In 1933

#### FIRST SOCIETY LEADER



Mrs. L. H. (Hill) Perry

The first president of the 1917 Study club has been a member of some affiliated club organization for the past 36 years except the first two months she lived in Spur. She joined the Twentieth Century Study Club at Stephenville in 1900 as a charter member and was in organizations 17 years. She came to Spur in August, 1917, and was at the first meeting at which the 1917 Study Club, first known as the Adelpian Club, was organized. She served as the first president of the organization and has been a zealous member since its inception.

#### SUBMERGED LANDS TEST

SAN ANTONIO.—Sinclair Prairie Oil Company No. 1 State, in the submerged lands of the Laguna Madre, opposite the Flour Bluff pool in Nueces county, is drilling below 4,375 feet. Their No. 2 State is drilling plugs at 210 feet on surface casing.

Dickens County looks as though it will be one of the largest wild cat oil fields.

It was in May of 1933 when Geo. A. Platts walked into the Dickens County Times office and made some inquiries about oil development. He stated he had friends whom he could get interested in drilling a deep test well in Dickens County and desired to know that if a block of around 15,000 acres could be secured along Highway 18 between Spur and Dickens. The writer answered in the affirmative. He said his friends did not keep their money in the banks, as that was just after the period called "Bank Holidays" but that they had the cash in "Coffee pots out in the Cabbage Patches". He said the time was not right then to go into the matter and would see us that fall.

It was in September when he returned and during the time oil had reached the low level of ten cents per barrel. However, the price was on the upward trend. Mr. Platts related again what he could do and that he represented a company who would treat with him a meeting of a few land owners in a few land owners in the proposed block was held and all of them stated they would cooperate, which they did to the man. It was decided that effort for deep oil test would be outlined. W. D. Starcher was asked to assist in getting the block signed up. C. L. Love, S. R. Bowman, George S. Link and others gave their support and the block was completed. The farm block was completed to a reasonable extent. However, the parties who had their money in the coffee pots had forgotten where they hid them and the money was not forth coming. It was thought it would be. The contract to get the well drilled was not available.

However, the man who said he could get the well drilled did not give up. He brought a tentative contract made between himself

(Continued on page eight)

# CONGRATULATIONS

## GREETINGS

To the ever Public Spirited Publishers of The Dickens County Times, our sincerest congratulations—and to the Lease Landowners and other Citizens of Spur and Dickens County, who had the vision to desire and the will to work for the oil development of this area, our heartfelt greetings, on the occasion of the publication of the first Oil Edition of The Dickens County Times, which we believe will shortly be followed by the opening up of a Great New Permian Basin Oil Field for Dickens County and the prosperity of all its people.

## J. F. Morrissey Company

J. F. MORRISSEY  
C. F. CARTER

### Phillip Jenkins Deals In And Repairs Engines

Mr. Phillip Jenkins, the well known engine man in Big Spring has now been made dealer for the International Power Units and he buys, sells or trades in engines. Mr. Jenkins is well known through out the oil fields as an expert on any kind of engines and is kept very busy every day either in the fields or in Big Spring but is always a business deal and about

engines. Just recently Mr. Jenkins made a trip to Chicago and other cities to study engines and I believe that he already knew more about engines when he left Big Spring than he did after being shown some engines in Chicago for he has had many, many years experience handling all kind of engines. If you are having engine trouble Call Jenkins.

England has one motor car to every 37 of its population.

Dickens County looks as though it will be one of the largest wild cat oil fields.

### Petroleum Annual Exposition To Be Held In Tulsa, Oklahoma, May 14-21

Tulsa.—C. M. Boggs, chairman of the tenth International Petroleum Exposition Refining Committee, and president of the Kanotex Refining company of Arkansas City, Kansas, announced the appointment of forty-four members to his committee to aid in securing the attendance of members of this division of the industry at the May 14 to 21 Oil Show at Tulsa, Oklahoma.

"The 1938 Exposition has increased exhibits of interest to the refining men. Out of the 600 firms contracting for exhibit space there will be 393 companies who will devote all or a portion of their displays to the scientific and technical exhibits in the new Hall of Science building, including an all glass, working model of a modern refinery. Models and displays in the new Hall were constructed at the cost of \$250,000 and several were loaned to the Exposition by the Chicago Museum of Science and Industry", said Boggs.

Exhibits included in the 10,000 pieces of equipment to be seen at the \$10,000,000 exposition, of interest to the members of the refining industry will be: new devices for greater efficiency, higher recovery, economy and safety, science of polymerization; cracking and reforming of butane and pentane molecules; vapor saving devices; vapor recovery plant development; processes for higher octane gasoline; de-sulphating natural gasses to reduce the hydrogen sulphate content, or complete elimination of sulphides; processing of lubricants, gasses, etc; and machinery for all the latest refining processes.

Members of the Refinery Committee are: Gene Moriarity, Derby Oil Co., Wichita; Ted Helling, Eldorado Refining Co., Eldorado; C. L. Henderson, Vickers Petroleum Co., Wichita; Francis Jehl, Globe Oil & Gas Co., Tulsa; Rex H. Winget, Cushing Refining Co., Cushing; C. L. Marshall, Anderson-Prichard Oil Co., Oklahoma City; Leo Snyder, Champlin Refining Co., Enid; Tom Eason, Eason Oil Co., Enid, Oklahoma; Mark Kleeden, Black Gold Refining Co., Oklahoma City; T. C. Argue, Jr.,

Johnson Oil & Refining Co., Cleveland, Oklahoma; L. B. Simons, Rock Island Refining Co., Duncan, Oklahoma; T. H. Riggins, Wilcox Oil & Gas Co., Tulsa; Roy B. Jones, Panhandle Refining Co., Wichita Falls; G. L. Waggoner, Waggoner Refining Co., Electric Texas; W. D. Richardson, Cosdet Refining Co., Fort Worth; T. M. Martin, Lion Oil Refining Co., El Dorado, Arkansas; P. O. Hardwick, Spartan Oil Corp., Shreveport; H. H. Schwartz, Arro Refining Co., Lewiston, Montana; Paul G. Blazer, Ashland Refining Co., Ashland, Kentucky; H. M. Nichols, Atlantic Refining Co., Philadelphia; M. J. Welsh, Atlantic Refining Co., Port Arthur; E. R. Lederer, Bradford O. & R. Co., Bradford, Pennsylvania; J. H. Wright, Bowling Green Refining Co., Bowling Green, Kentucky; T. A. Telfer, Calumet Refining Co., Chicago; Chas. McLean, Canfield Oil Co., Cleveland, Ohio; B. C. McClellan, Charlemette Petroleum Corp., New Orleans; W. D. Richardson, Cosden Oil Corp., Big Spring, Texas; W. Moody, Deep Rock Oil Corp., Tulsa; H. A. Logan, Elk Refining Co., Charleston, West Virginia; P. C. Scullin, Indian Refining Co., Lawrenceville, Illinois; R. S. MacMillan, MacMillan Petroleum Corp., Los Angeles; D. C. Frizzell, MacMillan Petroleum Corp., Long Beach; L. L. Reber, MacMillan Petroleum Corp., Norphlet, Arkansas; J. W. Newton, Magnolia Petroleum Co., Dallas; John Ricker, Magnolia Petroleum Co., Fort Worth; C. S. Lickens, Magnolia Petroleum Co., Corsicana, Texas; J. T. Dickens, Magnolia Petroleum Co., Luling, Texas; J. France, Mid-Continent Petroleum Corp., Tulsa; H. B. Setzler, National Refining Co., Coffeyville, Kansas; C. F. Arnold, National Refining Co., Findlay; Fred Bergen, National Refining Co., Marietta; John E. Shatford, Onachita Valley Refining Co., Eldorado, Arkansas; C. W. Cahoon, Olney Oil & Refining Co., Wichita Falls.

The alcohol-gasoline advocates who are begging congress to save the farmer with their plan must have a poor idea of the administration's farm panaceas.

### Program For Annual Meeting

The technical program for the twenty-sixth annual meeting of the Western Petroleum Refiners Association at Hot Springs, Ark., April 25 to 27, has been announced by A. V. Bourque, secretary-treasurer of the association. The technical sessions, arranged by the manufacturing committee headed by Emby Kaye, vice president, Skelly Oil Co., will be held Monday afternoon and Tuesday morning. General sessions will be held Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday morning. Tuesday night is regular dinner dance will be held.

Technical discussions will center around new and improved processes of refining and treating, and the results of the Pawhuska road tests conducted last summer, which were sponsored by the National Gasoline Association of America and the Western Petroleum Refiners Association. The road tests have excited considerable interest among refiners and motor car manufacturers who are reported to be studying future designs to eliminate waste. Walter Schumann, Cities Service Oil Co. engineer, will present the paper on the road tests.

A paper on True Vapor Phase, a process of cracking in the vapor state, will be presented by a representative of the Alcorn Combustion Corp. The process has been improved in recent years with some interesting results according to the company. The Howard Process, a method of treating gasoline for color stability, sweetness, reduction in sulfur content and increase in the lead susceptibility will be presented by a representative of the Howard company. A fourth paper will be added to the technical program, Mr. Bourque said.

Motion pictures will illustrate the methods used at the Pawhuska road tests and other features of the technical program. The detailed program of the general session will be announced later.

The general adaptation of diesel engines to aviation is much nearer realization in the minds of the laymen than in the minds of aeronautical engineers.

### New York Emergency Tax Would Limit Diversion

New York.—The 2 cents per gallon emergency gasoline tax in New York state was extended for another year by the assembly at Albany last week, leaving the state levy unchanged at 4 cents per gallon.

A spirited fight was made against renewal of the 2 cents emergency levy, but it was enacted by the assembly to round out the tax program. The emergency gasoline tax is expected to raise between \$30,000,000 and \$32,000,000 during the fiscal year.

In passing the gasoline tax, however, both branches of the legislature concurred in proposing

a constitutional amendment prohibiting the use of revenue from gasoline taxes—up to and including the first 3 cents—for purposes other than highway construction and maintenance.

The legislature has yet to act on five bills introduced in the senate regulating petroleum marketing in the state. The first of five bills ready for senate action provides for minimum specifications. The bill calls for a minimum octane rating of 59 on all gasoline sold in the state; sets vapor pressure of 12 pounds in winter and 10 pounds in summer and contains provisions governing distillation range, sulfur and gum minimums and corrosion test.

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Few cities in West Texas have made more progress in the past few years than has been exemplified by Big Spring. Located on the Texas and Pacific about 150 miles by road southwest of Spur, it has become one of the great oil centers of the state. Many years ago the Texas and Pacific Railroad Company saw the possibilities of Big Spring and located their shops there. This gave the city quite a payroll and a good financial background.

A few years ago oil was discovered in Howard County and Big Spring started in to take advantage of the opportunities afforded in advance. As a result a number of refineries have been located there. The business men of the city worked together, and chief among those who had influence in bringing the various industries to the city was W. T. (Tanlac) Strange, Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce and his assistant, Mrs. Lewis, W. T. Strange may wear a No. 14 shoe, but also he wears a mungie hat and he use his head for the growth of his town. Business people were invited to Big Spring under favorable conditions, and they went there.

Today there is a building program of at least \$150,000 going on. New homes, new business houses and other types of buildings are going up. Big Spring was successful in securing the location of the new State Hospital which many other towns desired and fought to get.

Big Spring is located in a scenic section and the people there are proud of the beautiful parks, places of amusement, golf courses, etc. The scenic drive up the mountain to the southwest of the city is worth any one's experience. The people are hospitable and they try to make visitors in their city feel at home—not only that, but make them feel they would like to have a home there.

It has a great future and is building up an industrial background that will keep the city growing even in times of depression.

## O. H. McAllister Trucks Cover West Texas

O. H. McAllister, trucking contractor with main offices in Big Spring, Texas covers the entire West Texas Oil Fields and has many branches in other towns than Big Spring. Mentioned below are some, for your convenience, Kermit Tex-Wickett, Tex.-Odessa, Tex.-Goldsmith, Tex.-K.M.A. (Wichita Falls) Texas and Hobbs, New Mexico. They specialize in light and heavy loads and have moved oil field machinery for the past 19 years.

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Continental Oil Company's Wasco, California, test, deepest in the world, has passed 14,010 feet and rotating ahead. They still hope to get more than a record.

Action of the United States in granting a permit for export of 26 million dollars worth of helium for use in German zeppelins recalls that 20 years ago this substance was a laboratory curiosity.

The latest decision on oil incomes rubs out another dividing line between state and federal authority.

## Crow's Cafe Offers Good Eats In Big Spring

Crow's Cafe located on South Scurry Street in Big Spring, Texas feature fine steaks and chicken. You will appreciate just how Crow serves everything good to eat. He serves the best of sandwiches and the coffee is the best to be had. When in Big Spring, drive out to Crows and ask for one of the Crow Special Steaks. You will be surprised, it's so nice and tender and well cooked.

## Oil Industry Employment More Stable Than Others

Employment in petroleum refineries in January was only 0.6 per cent below January, 1937, according to the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. January employment in all manufacturing industries, however, was down 11 per cent.

January payrolls in Petroleum refining were 14.8 per cent above those for 1937. Payrolls for all manufacturing industries sagged even more than employment, and were down 19.8 per cent below January, 1937, figure.

Employment in the crude oil production industry was 4.2 per cent higher in January this year than last, compared with decreases in almost all the other 15 "non-manufacturing" industries. January payrolls in crude oil production were 11 per cent higher than the previous January.

Boost Spur to the newcomers and tell them of the possibilities of Dickens County.

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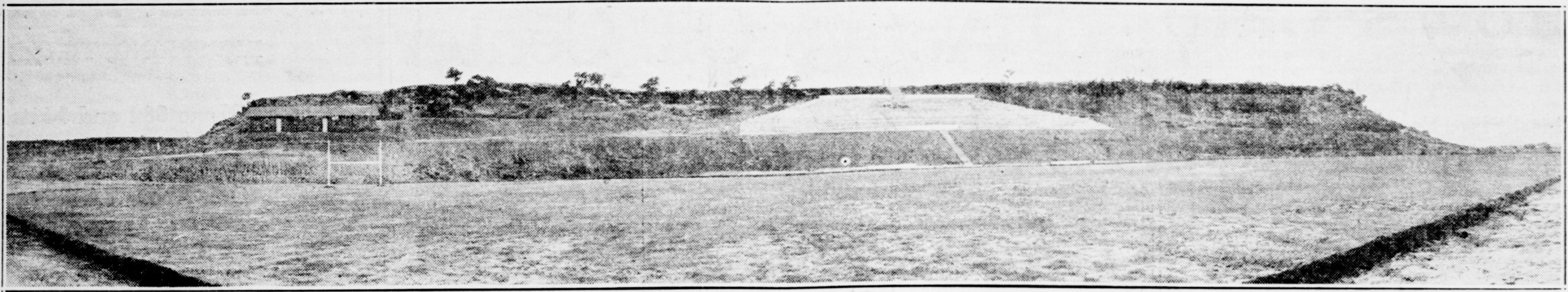
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# THE PLAY GROUND OF DICKENS COUNTY



The Charles A. Jones Stadium, the latest addition to Spur schools was dedicated Friday night September, 13, 1935. Among the events on the program was a

football game between Spur Bulldogs and Roby's fast eleven. There was an excellent program rendered for the occasion and the Spur School's orchestra and band

furnished the music, and the Palace theatre furnished the loud speaker. The football field is one of the best lighted fields in West Texas.

The ground is well grassed and every comfort that can possibly be arranged is found at this stadium. The grounds for the stadium were a present to the schools

from Mr. Clifford B. Jones and his brother Mr. Hoyle Jones, of Tulsa, Oklahoma. The stadium has been named in honor of the late Charles A. Jones, the founder

of Spur. Everybody remembers the zeal and anxiety of Mr. Jones in making a good town of Spur, and he has helped a great number of people in the Spur country in

many ways. The stadium has a seating capacity of 3,500 and it has been filled on different occasions.

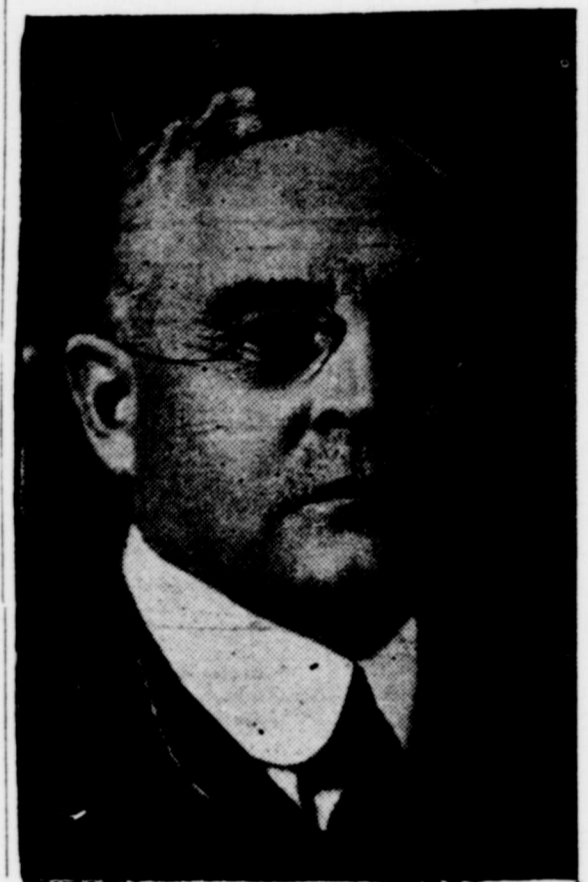
**HARDING WILDCAT**  
Danube Oil Corporation has staked a wildcat test in Harding county, New Mexico, it was reported Saturday. Contract depth is 4,500 feet. Test is located in the northeast of southwest, section 22-14-33.

A. W. Jordan, of the Steel Hill community, was in Spur Saturday looking after business affairs. Mr. Jordan stated that he had the best prospects for a bumper wheat crop this year that he has ever had since he has been in the county.

## Educational Rally Starts At Lubbock Today, March 31

Organization and reorganization of public school units will be the subject of discussion at the Articulation Conference sponsored by the Texas Technological College education department March 31 to April 2, today until Saturday. Notable speakers will explain possible revisions in the present system. Eminent educators scheduled on the program are L. A. Woods, state superintendent of public instruction; W. A. Stigler, curriculum director for the State Department of Education; Sidney B. Hall, Virginia state superintendent of public instruction; H. T. Manuel, research director of the Texas commission on coordination; Joseph Roemer, education professor at George Peabody College for Teachers; Harl R. Douglas, professor of secondary education, University of Minnesota; B. F. Pittenger, dean of education, University of Texas; T. H. Shelby, professor of educational administration and dean of extension division, University of Texas; and G. C. Clough, director of Dallas college, Southern Methodist university. A. W. Evans, head professor of

## Charles A. Jones Father Of Spur



The Stadium was dedicated in memory of the late Charles A. Jones, Sept. 13, 1935.

W. T. Lovell, prosperous farmer of the Wichita community, was in Spur the last of the week.

education at Texas Technological College, is chairman of the executive committee.

## Judging Teams To Contest At Lubbock

Champion livestock judging team in the thirteenth annual vocational agricultural judging contest at Texas Technological College April 8 will be awarded expense money to the FFA meeting in Kansas City next fall by the Santa Fe railway. This is one of two educational awards allotted to Texas for vocational stock judging teams, according to H. M. Bainer of Amarillo, general agricultural agent. Judging teams from Santa Fe, towns in Kansas, Illinois, Missouri, Colorado, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Arizona and California also compete each year for a state award. About 46 towns in this area will be eligible for the award, according to Ray L. Chappelle, general superintendent. Other contests scheduled for the meet are dairy cattle, poultry, farm shop, plant production, dairy products, cotton, and meat identification. Approximately 1,000 contestants and coaches from 100 schools in West Texas are expected to attend. Mr. and Mrs. David McAteer made a business trip to Stamford, Friday of the past week.

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## West Texas Utilities Pays \$17,674 Chain Store Levy, Covering 36 Offices In Area

Payment of \$17,674 in chain store tax levies yesterday gave the West Texas Utilities company what is believed the dubious honor of being the largest single payer in Abilene.

The amount represents the chain store tax recently held valid by the state supreme court and assessed against retail mercantile firms in various sums ranging from \$1 to \$750 per store annually, depending upon number. The payment of over \$17,000 was made by the WTU treasurer to the state comptroller department.

It is an assessment on 36 service offices where electrical merchandise is sold locally in that many West Texas towns. Approximately 20 offices were closed in smaller communities.

The levy brings the total up to \$9.20 in direct taxes per customer paid by the company in 1937—an all-time high mark, according to the WTU treasury announcement. The figure, it was stated, does not include indirect taxation such as gasoline taxes, car licenses, or taxes on materials used.

The figure also indicates, the statement reads, that WTU paid over \$18 per day in 1936, 1937, and will pay in 1938, "for the right to sell electric appliances in these various communities, whereas if customers were required to purchase from one general store, the tax would have been only \$3 for the three-year period."

"Our company closed stores in 20 small communities only when it became apparent that they could not be operated except at a dis-

## Operates Service Business For Dickens County Farmers

The Farmall House, which is owned and operated by E. D. Engleman, truly is a service business to the farmers in this country. With a complete line of modern farm tools and equipment and a full line of parts for all kinds of farm machinery, this store has become headquarters for farmers to get rid of their machinery troubles. Mr. Engleman has been with the business since soon after its establishment and has owned it now for the past year. Any kind of farm implement can be secured at Engleman's Farmall House, and it has proved a great convenience to the farmers of this country.

### TEXAS ALLOWABLE SET

AUSTIN, March 22. — The railroad commission today fixed the Texas allowable for April, counting the Sunday shutdowns, at 1,318,437 barrels daily.

trous loss," T. E. Kuykendal, commercial manager, explained.

Local stores on which the \$17,674 tax was paid are located at Abilene, Cisco, Albany, Throckmorton, Stamford, Hamlin, Haskell, Rotan, Spur, Dalhart, Quanah, Crowell, Munday, Vernon, Ballinger, Winters, Mason, Junction, Menard, McCamey, Big Lake, Iraan, Childress, Clarendon, Matador, Memphis, Paducah, Shamrock, Wellington, San Angelo, Ozona, Sonora, Merkel, Baird, Cross Plains and Dumas.

## W. R. Weaver A Civic Builder



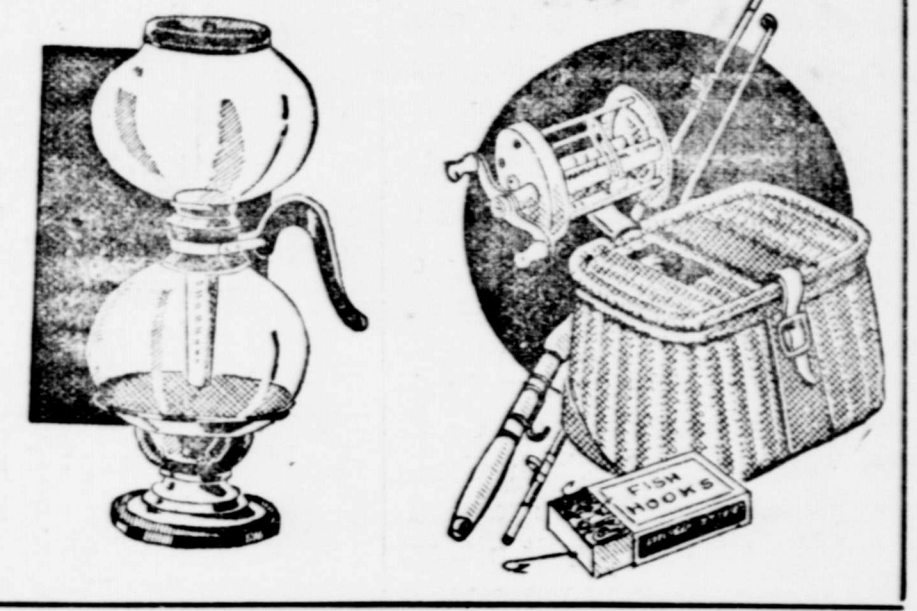
W. R. WEAVER

One of the most progressive citizens of Spur is W. R. Weaver, the present manager for the West Texas Utilities company. In addition to his regular work Mr. Weaver takes interest in the American Legion organization and is assistant Scoutmaster to one of the Boy Scout troops in our city. He came to Spur a few years ago as bookkeeper for the West Texas Utilities company, and E. M. Wilson was transferred to Memphis as manager there. Mr. Weaver was given the promotion at this place. He takes interest in the Chamber of Commerce and is behind every progressive movement in the community.

Miss Winnie Blair underwent a mastoid operation at a hospital in Lubbock the past week. Miss Blair's condition is reported favorably at this time.

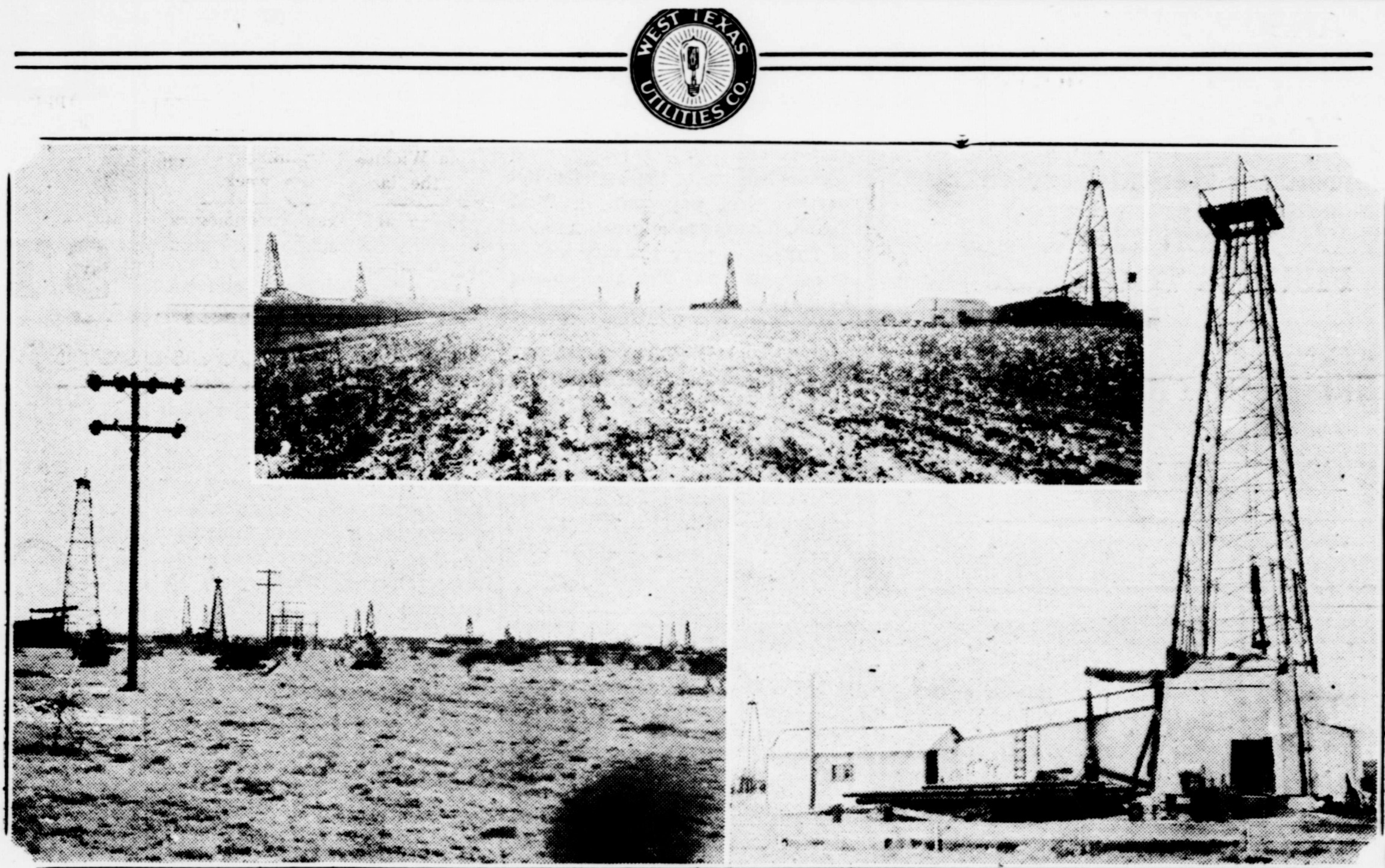
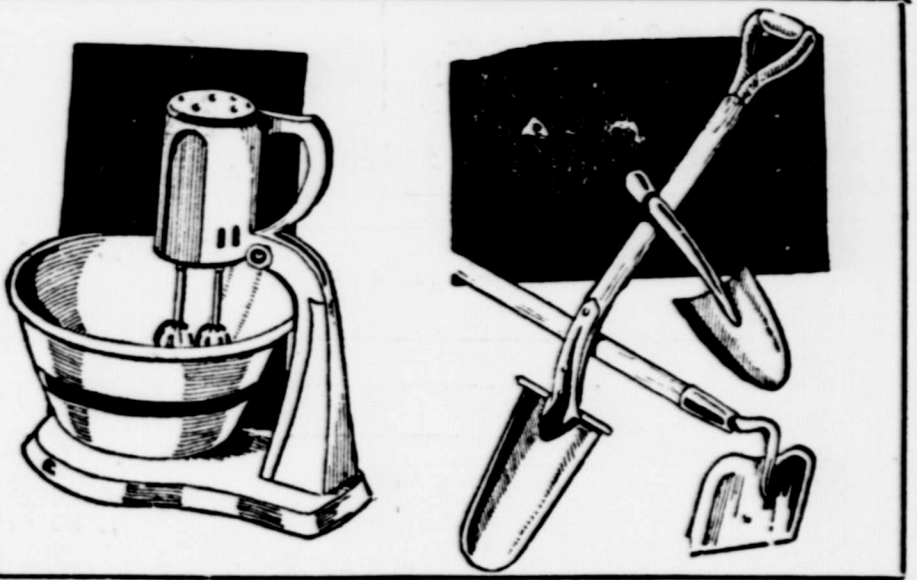
Mr. and Mrs. V. V. Parr, of the Pitchfork Ranch, were in Spur the last of the week shopping and attending to business affairs.

Mrs. Robert Reynolds, of Dickens, was a shopper and visitor in Spur Saturday.



## RITER HARDWARE

SPUR, TEXAS



Nature showed little discrimination when she presented West Texas with untold wealth in the form of petroleum. Prairie land or cotton field—oil has been discovered in the most out-of-way places. Above are typical scenes in the scores of fields, both

large and small, which now are using Purchased Electric Power for drilling and pumping purposes. This industrial usage of Electric Service makes possible larger volume and lower unit costs or rates for domestic and commercial usage. The oil wells in these pictures are served by this company.

## If Oil Is Found... then Electric Service Will Lower Production Costs

The quest for oil is a heartbreaking search. "Dry holes" cause high hopes of sudden wealth to die a merciless death. Even more pitiful is the plight of the well with a "showing" but insufficient production to justify the expense of pumping. In the event of a prospective field, it should be remembered that Electric Powers earns investment costs, or money hire, lower through operating cost. Also, it should be remembered that Electric Power performs its work silently and efficiently... without noise... without creating a mess that damages surrounding property due to accumulated waste oil and filth.

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### Spur Has Adequate Water Supply To Support A Much Larger City

One of the great factors toward the growth of any town or city is an abundant supply of good water. This is one thing that Spur has always been able to boast about. The city officials have devoted much time to this one thing and today the water supply of Spur will take care of a city many times its size.

The source of the supply is a series of wells in the Duck Creek Valley near where Dockum Creek intersects it. These wells are shallow and the city owns quit a tract of land on which many more wells may be drilled, or dug, as the case may be. A first class system of purification is operated and the water is tested often to be sure there are no disease germs in it. The wells are securely covered to keep out anything of a disturbing nature.

The water is pumped to two large reservoirs on the hill just north of town. One is a highly elevated tank of a capacity of 55,000 gallons, and is capable of holding a supply for the city under ordinary conditions. The other reservoir is a large concrete structure with a capacity of 180,000 gallons. This insures an adequate supply of water at all times, and

is a great protection in case of a conflagration in the city.

Two large pumps force the water from the wells to these two reservoirs. These are driven by electric motor power furnished by the City's electric plant. These pumps are capable of handling several hundred gallons of water per minute, and it is said that it would require several fire engines to reduce Spur's water supply in any reasonable length of time should the pumps be operating at the time.

The City Commission just recently replaced many of the smaller water mains with substantial large ones. Every part of the city has large mains leading to it and there is plenty of water pressure all the time. The length of the mains is estimated at several miles.

In December of 1924 the city voted a bond issue to the amount of \$58,000 for the purpose of extending the water system and installing the sewer system. Citizens of the town took advantage of these conveniences readily and in the fall of 1925 a number of residences had been connected to the sewer system. The disposal plant is first class and since the installation of the sewer system there

### Purchase Of Crude Oil And Refinery Products In Increasing Quantities By Japanese Government

#### O. L. Williams Trucks Heavy Machinery

O. L. Williams, trucking contractor is on the go day and night trucking heavy machinery to the many oil fields of West Texas. This firm is Licensed-Bonded and insured, their permit numbers are R. R. Commission 19259 and I.C.C. File M.C. 73785.

Mr. Williams has been in the trucking business for 19 or 12 years in Big Spring and has served the many oil fields that have come in the past years. Nothing too heavy to haul—No load to light to haul. Phone when you need a truck.

#### Crawford Hotel One Of The Best In West Texas

The Crawford Hotel in Big Spring is one of the leading hotels in West Texas and coffee shop in connection with the hotel serve the best of foods. The hotel building contains a fine Drug store, Barber shop, Beauty shop, Coffee shop, Tailor shop and the Greyhound Bus Station. You may drive in the basement of the hotel for storage, gas and oils. The Crawford Hotel features everything that is the best. Mr. Cal Boykin is the manager. When you are in Big Spring, stop at the Crawford.

has been very little trouble with such diseases as typhoid fever. Both the water and sewer systems have been extended to cover every part of the city.

Spur has one of the best fire departments of any town in West Texas. There are a great number of fire-plugs over the city and it is rare that any fire ever totally destroys a building.

Any industry, or any number of people that may come to Spur may be assured of an abundant water supply and good protection against fires. In fact Spur has never had a very destructive fire because people feel it is much better to invest in a good fire fighting equipment and have a well organized fire company than to lose property by fire.

The purchase of crude oil and refinery products in increasing quantities by Japan is one of the principal explanations of California's statistical and market position last year. Japanese purchases have increased steadily in recent years, and last year they averaged 78,300 barrels daily. This figure, which includes both oil and refinery products, compares with an average of 57,000 barrels daily for 1936, a gain of 21,300 barrels daily.

While complete reports are not available since the close and remainder of the Orient from California have decreased. The decline started in December and so far has not been resumed on a basis comparable with last year's averages. It is reliably reported the Japanese have increased their purchases of petroleum products at the Gulf Coast and countries outside the United States. Whether this situation is temporary or not cannot be determined at this time.

Reports showing export shipments from the Los Angeles and San Francisco areas since the first of the year are of interest. These reports cover shipments to all foreign buyers of California petroleum. The latest available data, up to the second half of February, show these export shipments so far this year have averaged approximately 148,000 barrels daily, a decrease of more than 19 per cent compared with the same period in 1937. Export shipments of fuel oil and kerosene are approximately one-third what they were last year. Fortunately, export crude shipments are more than double what they were the first two months of 1937, with a substantial gain in gasoline exports. With this data in mind many sales managers believe California will be fortunate if its export shipments for 1938 equal those for 1937.

Total domestic shipments so far are running ahead of last year so they more than offset the decline in export business. Total boat shipments from Los Angeles and San Francisco for the first six weeks of this year averaged about 335,000 barrels daily, a gain of 2.5 per cent over the same period in 1937. This includes intercoastal domestic and coastwise domestic as well as exports. January gasoline tax reports reflect a gain of more than 5 per cent in demand for the West Coast area—California, Oregon, Washington, Nevada and Arizona.

### Howard County Co. Enjoys Nice Business

The Howard County Company located just West of the city of Big Spring is enjoying a very nice business. They handle a complete line of Gasoline, Tractor Fuel, Distillate, Diesel Oil, Gas Oil, Cleaners, naphtha and Fuel Oil. They feature the Flash gasoline either in Bronze or white natural. Their delivery service covers West Texas. When in Big Spring pay the Howard County Refinery a visit.

Results being achieved by delayed refinery shutdowns and curtailments make it clear that a good way to avoid having too much gasoline is not to make too much. Wise oil men said that months ago, when stocks began to climb.

Dudley Golding, killed in an airplane crash, symbolized the fabulous turns of chance in oil. Investing in East Texas leases, following Dad Joiner's discovery, he and a partner converted \$107 into \$6,000,000.

### Drilling Deeper Than Fourteen Thousand Feet For Oil In Wasco Field In California

#### New West Texas Crude Is Low In Sulphur

A low sulphur crude containing 35 per cent of gasoline is in production from 6000 feet in the Ordovician lime in the West Texas Permian Basin. The Bureau of Mines finds, from its analysis by the Barea Method that the crude has 0.22 per cent sulphur, 34.8 per cent kerosene distillate and 25 per cent kerosene distillate and 25 per cent of gas oil and heavy distillate suitable for cracking.

The Sans Hill Field from which this sample is taken is the second producing area in this formation, the first being the Big Lake Field, discovered in 1928. The new crude is described as paraffin-intermediate base with a gravity of 44.7 degrees A.P.I. and is produced from a dolomite reported as "probably the Ellenberger Formation".

You have probably heard about deep tests but what would you really call a deep test. Only a few years ago when wells were drilled to depth below five thousand or six thousand feet lots of us thought that was really a deep well but I read in papers where a well is drilling below 14,000 feet and still drilling. It is the Continental Wasco Test. The Continental number two A-Kern County land in the Wasco district in California. Well, that's getting pretty deep but there is no telling what will be done in the way of drilling in the days to come. The above well is now drilling in hard siltstone. I suppose that will be another name to remember. Go ahead maybe China's not far off.

If the oil companies cannot meet the increased expenses in Mexico the Cardenas government should pause to consider what its chances would be if it took over the properties.

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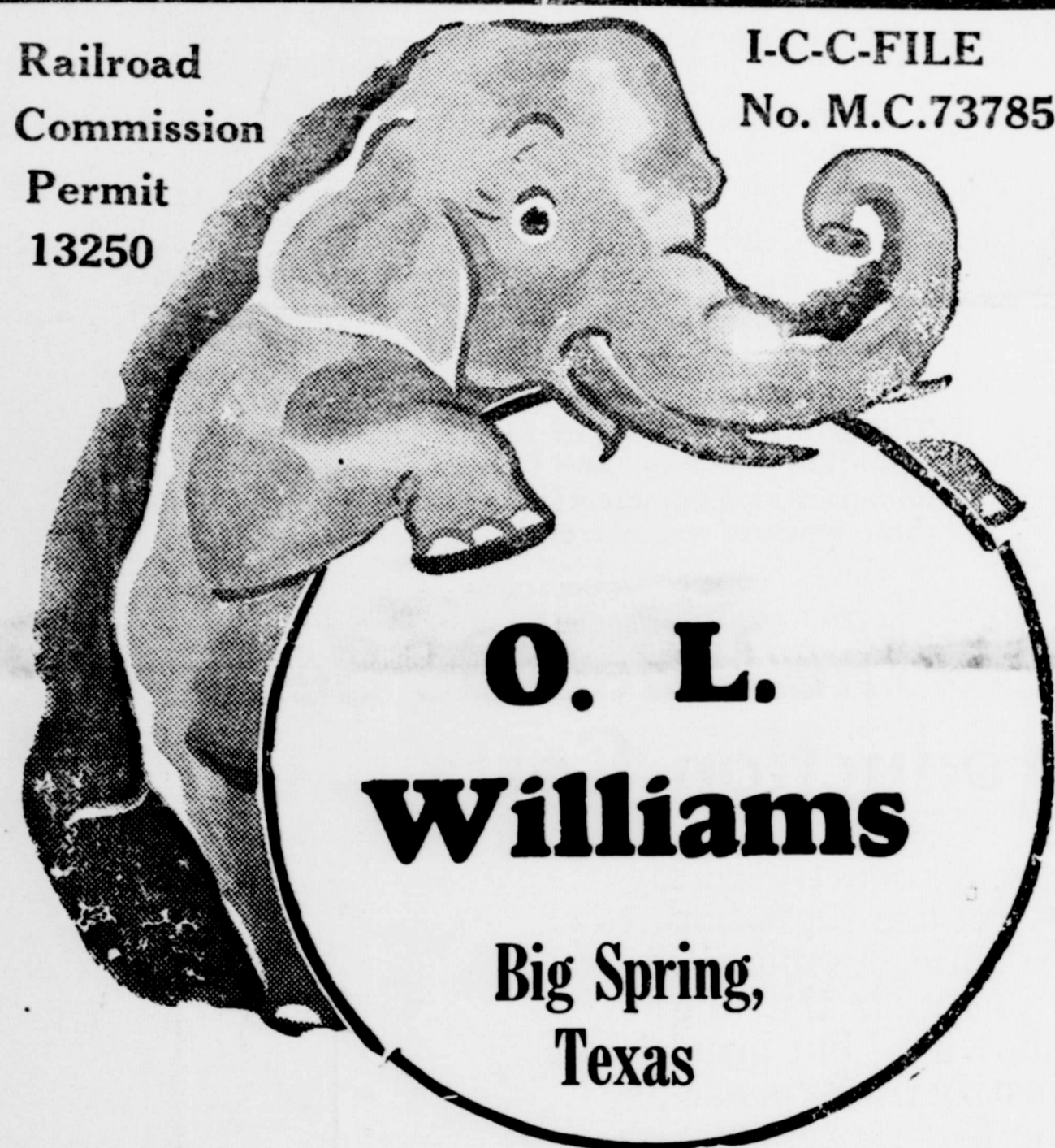
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### Navy Announces Awards For Oils

Washington, D. C.—The navy announced award of contracts for 80,000 barrels of navy fuel for \$78,375 and 22,600 barrels of diesel engine fuel oil at a cost of \$51,226. The oil will supply the navy's East Coast needs for the three-month period April 1 to June 30. Fuel oil contracts included 25,000 barrels from Maritime Oil Co., Houston, Tex., \$23,625. Shell Petroleum Corp., St. Louis, 30,000 barrels at \$28,500 and Standard Oil Co. of Louisiana, New Orleans, La., 25,000 barrels for \$26,250. Diesel engine fuel oil contracts included Shell Union Oil Corp., New York City, 6,600 barrels for \$15,206, and Sinclair Refining Co., New York, 16,000 barrels for \$36,020.

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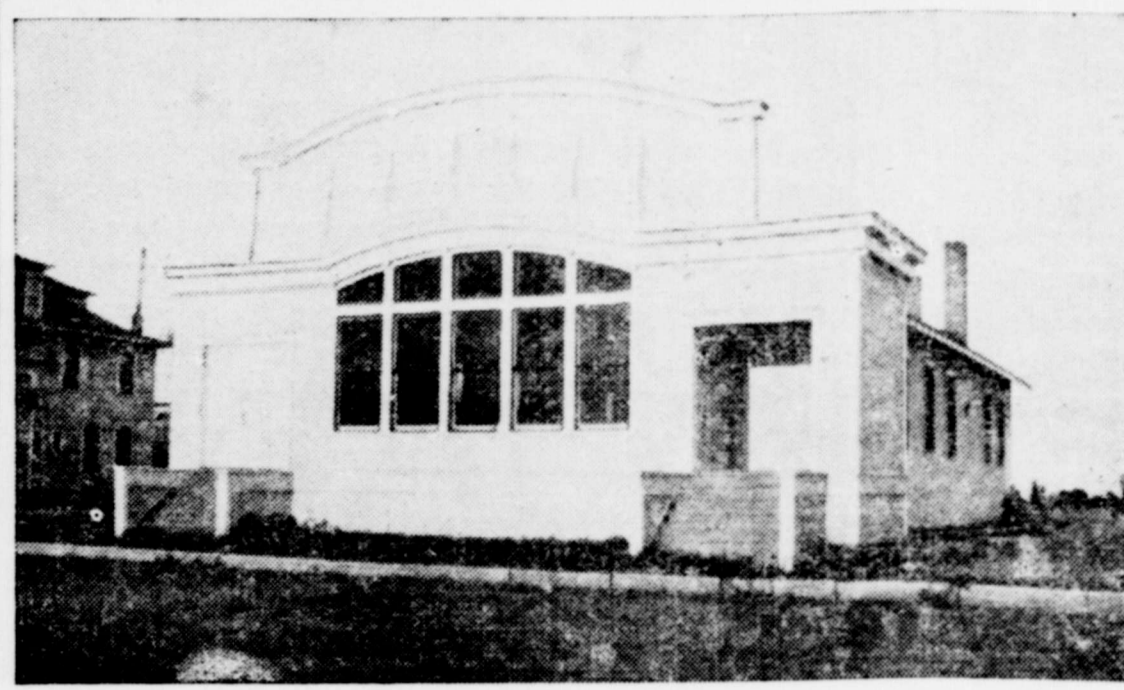
August the 27th deserves to be celebrated as a red-letter day in the annals of the average man. On that day in 1859 the world's first oil well was opened at Titusville, Pennsylvania.

It was a small affair as such ventures go, measuring only sixty nine and one-half feet in depth and producing only a few barrels a day. But it initiated various revolutions in human affairs of which we are all benefited. That well marked the end of the era of the candle. With an abundant supply of fuel thus assured, the kerosene lamp came rapidly into use, and man claimed for his own a little more control over the hours of darkness. Also, that well was the first step in freeing man-

kind from the shackles of space. From it has grown the great American gasoline industry, without which modern motoring would be impossible. Without the development that started that day in Titusville, we could not make use of a single motor car, truck, tractor, or airplane as we know them today.

And modern industry, too, pays daily tribute to Titusville. Present day machinery runs at high speeds, on precision bearings. The lubricants that make these extreme speeds, and pressures possible are one more social gain accruing to civilization from that pioneer well of over seventy five years ago.

### Spur's First Christian Church



Soon after the opening of the town of Spur a Christian Church was in operation. The congregation met in a little building on North Parker Avenue near what is now the Rotary Park. However, the work was given up and it was not until 1914 that anything was done toward the beginning of the present church organization. It was October 8, 1914 that a number of ladies met in the home of Mrs. R. M. Hamby at the corner of Hill Street and Willard Avenue and organized a Ladies Aid Society. Mrs. W. H. Putman and other ladies, eight in all, were present at the meeting.

In the spring of 1915 a number of people met in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Putman and the First Christian Church was organized. There were few in number but much cooperation. Dr. and Mrs. Standifer, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Hamby, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Putman and a few others felt the need of a church of their faith and order. Plans were made and a building committee was appointed soon after, and the present church building on Burlington Avenue was begun. The building was completed July 4, 1915, and three days later the first revival meeting of the church was started.

Rev. E. M. Douthitt was the first pastor and he served well. The church grew under his leadership. He afterward served as field secretary for the Christian Courier, the church organization's publication.

Rev. W. M. LeMay was the second pastor. He was an outstanding preacher and taught the Bible as he believed it whether it suited his congregation or not. However, his frankness won him the entire church membership, and since leaving the church he has been asked to return and conduct revival meetings for them.

Other pastors of the church were: Rev. McCarrell, Rev. Mathess, Rev. M. B. Harris who went to the Stamford Church in December, 1924, and was followed in the work here by Rev. A. G. Abbott. Rev. Abbott served the church longer than any pastor to this date and the congregation grew

both in numbers and in loyalty to the work. After he left there were different ones who would preach a few Sundays along, until the church called Rev. R. C. Brown, of Paducah. Brother Brown resigned the work to engage in business lines and Rev. Wm. J. Edwards was called as pastor. The church has been without a pastor since January 1937. They hope to secure a pastor soon.

The first Sunday School was organized in the new church building in 1915 with C. A. Love as superintendent. G. R. Elkins served as Sunday School superintendent and was followed by R. E. Dickson who was in charge for several years. He was followed by L. R. Burrow, W. R. Jimison, and the present Sunday School superintendent is E. M. Hale.

It is reported that the first Sunday School of the church had only 19 members. However, it grew until there were around 200 in Sunday School enrollment.

This church in its beginning was a fine example of what a few people can do when they cooperate. The Christian Church of Spur has been of great influence in developing good citizenship in our city. The membership have been liberal and cooperative with other church organizations, and whether individually or as a church, when needed to assist in any civic movement they are always ready to do their part.

#### OIL FOR ILLINOIS

Mattoon, Illinois.—Speculation as to whether one of the country's major pools has been discovered in the new development in the Illinois basin followed the gauging of the Ohio Oil company's No. 1 8-3n-9e southwest of Olney in Richland County. The well made 1,997 barrels for the first on a 240-acre tract near some acreage owned by the Pure Oil company. Pay was found at a depth of 2,955-67 and drilled to 2,988 feet. R. H. Neely of Chicago is rigging up a rotary for a well. J. V. Wickland of Detroit found a showing in the Chester series in the upper Mississippi at 2,802, this well is somewhat lower than the pool opener.

### Spur Citizens Take Much Pride In Beautiful Homes And Yards

Probably in no town of all the great west do people take more pride in beautiful homes than they take in the little city of Spur. Through these nice homes the town is made a beautiful place in which to live, and is very enticing to the many visitors who come to Spur.

There is much pride taken not only in the building but in the lots. Cleanliness is a great feature among Spur people. Careful arrangements of the grounds and beautiful home plots and plans add to the attractiveness of Spur very materially.

The ladies of the town take much pride in raising beautiful flowers, and through their supervision Spur has some of the most beautiful lawns found anywhere.

Most of the homes that are be-

ing built now are of modern bungalow style, or of two-story stately type that would be a credit to any city. Many are using brick and reinforced concrete and stucco material for construction, which make a good permanent residence. It is the chief idea of the owners that when they build, that the residence constructed be adequate to meet conditions in a rapid growing town several years in the future.

Many of the different types of homes are being exhibited in photogravure in this paper, but these are only a few of the many homes now located in the town. There are many others that compare favorably with the progress of any town with a much greater population than is found in Spur. This great building spirit just

shows the confidence the residence have in the future of Spur. It is just one of the reasons why this is the great little town that it is, and why there is a great prospect for it becoming a still greater town.

#### PROSPECTIVE FIELD

C. F. Carter, who has been following the oil business for several years, says that Dickens County is a prospective field and if wells are continued that production may be expected at any time. He is thoroughly sold on the geology of this section of the state, and his opinions run along the lines of those of Dr. Lewis and others who in early days made surveys and study of this county. Mr. Carter's claim is that oil will be obtained at a reasonable shallow depth, and then after those wells quit producing, they can be drilled down to another structure and production secured in even greater quantities and higher gravity.

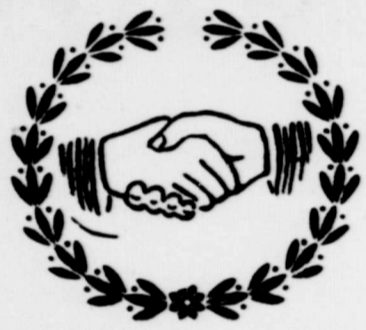
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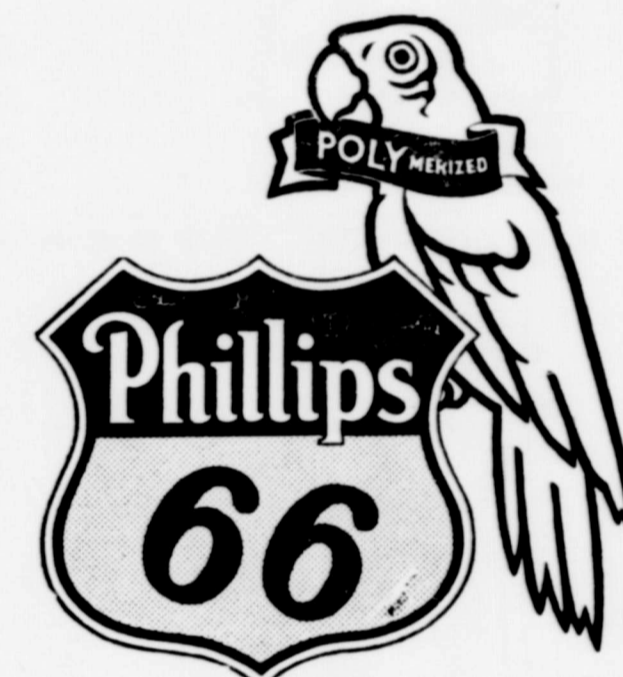


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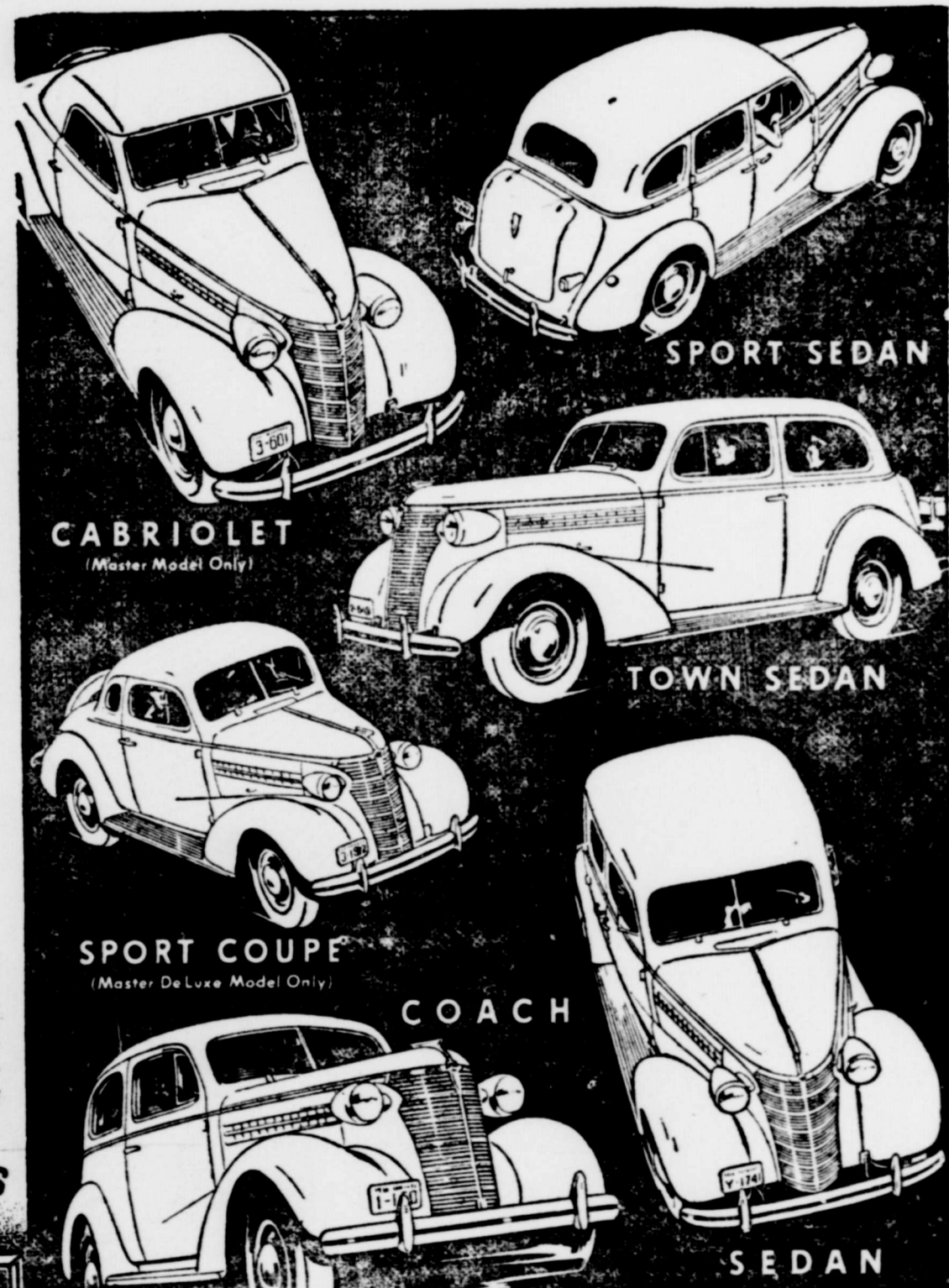
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This probably is the oldest cafe in town under the operation of the same manager. The business was established in 1924 by W. A. Bell and his father, John A. Bell. W. A. (Will) Bell later bought out the business and with the exception of a few weeks when his brother run the business while he was away on a rest, he has been in charge. People get excellent service at Bell's Cafe and they have an excellent patronage. Mr. Bell appreciates the patronage people give him, and with the assistance of Mrs. Bell, and their daughter Wini-

**Spur Service Station Operating 10th Year**

This business institution has been operating for about ten years. The present proprietor, Joe Allison, is doing his best and is meeting with success in meeting the requirements of the public. He handles all lines of Texas Products, and when any one drives into the station his wants are immediately cared for. Gas, oils, Marfak grease also washing and polishing cars are among the main features of service rendered.

fred, they specialize in trying to please with the best.

**Spur Firm More Than 29-Years Old**



GEO. S. LINK

Bryant-Link Company was one of the first business firms in Spur. More than 29 years ago this company started to serving the people of Spur country and their influence upon the growth and progress of this community cannot be calculated. Many farmers have gone through close periods because Bryant-Link Company extended them an accommodation. The management has stood for the upbuilding and moral welfare of the community and the firm as a whole has been a community builder. The firm has been serving West Texas people more than fifty years and has always done business on a high plane.

**OIL INTEREST STARTED—**  
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and the firm of Bolin & Lindsey of Wichita Falls, who agreed to drill a well on condition that other good oil companies would join them in the work. These other oil men could not be secured, and the block defaulted a second time.

About that time C. D. Bird banker and cattleman of Spur and Matador, considered to let his name be used in the work. It was understood that if the block could be completed by a certain time that an independent operator was ready to take it over and drill a

deep test. The block was not completed by the stated time, but the leases were taken in Mr. Bird's name and people felt he would not betray them, which he did not do. A drilling contract finally was secured just 13 days before the expiration of the escrow period. That was too short period to get a big rig in operation. An information well was started on section 351 and drilled to a depth of 2006 feet. A very nice showing of oil was obtained at 1,300 feet and might have made a well had it been swabbed and the well was drilled by C. E. Litchfield and associates, and had Mr. Litchfield been present when the showing was made no doubt he would have tried to make a well of it. This was on the Spur-Dickens Block.

However, while Mr. Litchfield was in the county he did some scouting and found the territory in the Red Mud community to his idea of what might be an oil field. He, with the assistance of land owners, got together a block of about 8,500 acres in that community which was about September of 1937. Between October 1 and October 15 the rentals on the Spur-Dickens block became due and were paid. Up to that time none of the main oil companies had considered the actions in this country worth while. But when those rentals were paid they took notice and leasing activities grew hot during October and November in the Brazos River section from Red Mud to Kalgary. Many leases going at a bonus of three dollars to five dollars per acre. It is said some received as much as ten dollars per acre. In all probability there was around \$75,000 to \$100,000 spent in the Spur trade territory for lease bonuses and rentals last fall.

Just before condition became so interesting C. L. Love and friends secured a block of about 10,000 acres along Duck Creek southeast of Spur. A derrick reported 122 feet high has been placed on that block by Thad A. Bryant and associates, but to date no rig has been placed on the block. It is thought that operations on this block will go through yet and the well drilled to the contract depth

of 6,000 feet or production made. The Williams-Moore Block This block is located beginning about three miles west of Spur and extend to about ten miles west from town. It was more of a cooperative movement than anything by way of assembling a block here has proved to be. A number of neighbors: such people as C. D. Bird, George M. Williams, White Moore, Joe N. Duke, Dr. L. E. Standifer and sister, J. I. Greer, Edd Fuqua, and a number of other farmers and stockmen decided to cooperate in trying to get a well drilled. They secured a drilling contract and the well was placed on Section 290 of the C. D. Bird ranch. It is drilling below 2,500 foot mark and is looking good for a producer.

Gulf Production Block The Gulf Petroleum Company was not to be left out in the shuffle and they secured a block of leases from S. M. Swenson and Sons and other land holders in the Kalgary country. This well is located southwest of Spur 15 miles, 48 degrees west by airline. It is one of the largest drilling rigs ever brought to this country, and they are drilling so rapidly that it would be difficult to say just how deep they are. The contract is for 8,500 feet which is an ordovician test.

J. F. Morrissey Block Another well was spudded in March 6 on the I. J. McMahan bed, which is the NW 1/4 of Section 319 of the H&GNRRC. Survey and is about eight miles northwest of Spur. The work is drilling at a reasonable rate considering the hard luck that has been encountered.

**Texan Cafe One Among The Best**

This is one of the most modern eating places found in West Texas. It was established about one year ago by Mr. and Mrs. Truett Hutto who continue to operate it, and during the time they have built up a nice patronage among the substantial people of the community. They specialize in breakfast, quick lunches and good dinners and people have no trouble securing good service when they visit this neat little cafe.

ed. They should be around 2,500 feet by this time.

Dolman & Keefe Block About 15 miles southwest of Spur, four miles southwest of Girard is another well being drilled by Dolman and associates. This well is located on the O'Keefe lands which were once part of the Blackwell Ranch. The well was spudded in March 24 and is proceeding with good average. They are to drill the well to around 4,000 feet and if the showings are good they will continue further. This block was assembled by J. W. Ray of Monahans and J. M. Blackwell of Girard. They have one of the largest rigs of its type doing the work and they say they must

have a well. The above is a short synopsis of the present activity of the oil game in this section. It is very probable had not the good land owners of the Spur-Dickens Block cooperated in the work there, that no interest would have been taken here for years to come. They made the sacrifice and along with them were the people in the Williams-Moore Block west of Spur, and this may prove the making of an oil field either in the Duck Creek valley or in the Brazos River section of Spur country. Let's hope all of the present projects prove good and all of we farmers make enough money to go fishing before another year.

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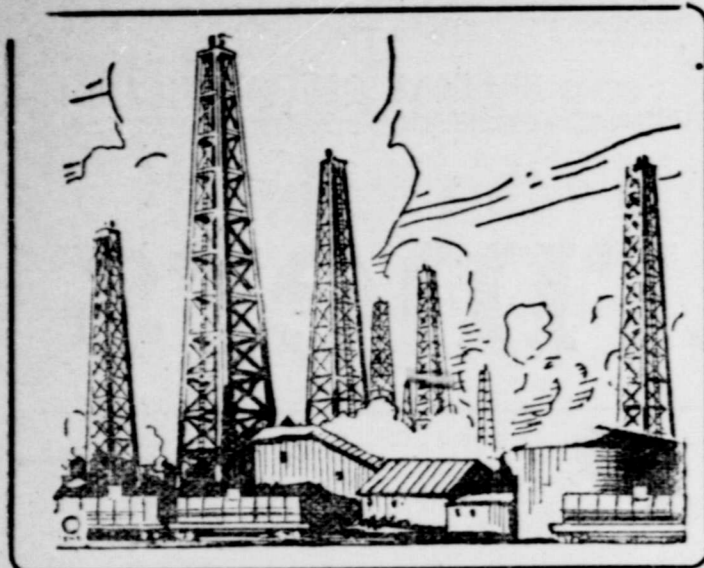


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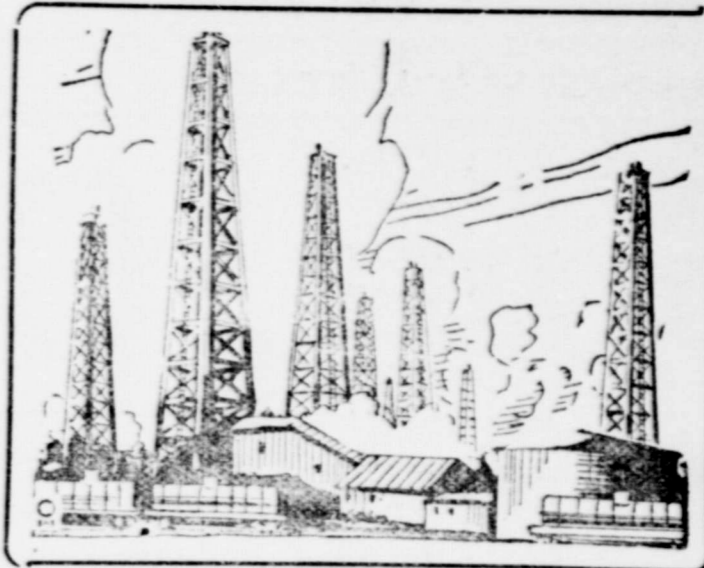
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## Pioneering For Oil In Dickens, And Kent Counties

### Many Geologists Have Been Interested For Several Years In This Territory

BY C. L. LOVE

Many attempts have been made this section in the attempt of producing oil. Among the first was the well of the Swenson interest just south of Spur, which the old timers of the section will recall, and the final results of logging the well in the final. This well was started for the securing of water and other experiments, and while drilled to a depth of 4489 the logging of it would show nothing to have condemned it.

We have had several others started, but from the locations selected they were not in line with the Geologist instruction, having been drilled far from the advice of the experts. Today with the expert working of the territory we are in a position to better understand the proper locations, and with the experimental operations to verify the positions, quite a little valuable information is at hand, and I believe we will ultimately be successful in procuring oil in this section that will prove the views, and compensate for the efforts of those who have spent many years of effort, and money to try and aid the section, and those who have lent their time and cooperations in tendering their land for such development. We want to thank the land owners for what they have done in the efforts of aiding those of us who have tried in every way to hold their confidence in proving that we have in this section vast pools of oil in which will be discovered in the near future.

It requires much patience in opening any oil field, much money is spent that may look worthless to the onlooker, but it is inevitable the case in any field as those who read of the operations in other sections observe. Oil is frequently passed up for lack of the proper advance information that is only procurable by the drilling, for information in (continued on back page)

### Jones Well Was Drilled In 1924

This well was drilled about 1924 by Clancy and English, or at least, it was started by them. It was located near the center of Section 311, H&GNRRCo., survey blk. No. 1, on what was then known as the Renfro ranch. The Moutry Oil company saw the well to its completion at 3943 feet. This well was located on the crest of the formation according to sub-surface geology of certain good authorities. This cre extended northwest to southeast, and did not miss the town of Dickens very far.

The entire depth of this well did not show much encouragement for oil because of lack of porosity of the structure. A good flow of sulphur water was obtained at 3,949 feet, but even that did not indicate any likelihood of oil production because the same horizon carries sulphur water in the Westbrook field several miles to the south. There was a slight showing of oil in one place but the porosity of the structure was not adequate to guarantee commercial production.

Because of the depth and the structural formation, geologists think that oil production would be secured on the flank of the structure which would be not far from sections 338 and 351 east of Soldie Mound.

### Spur Loop Completion Expected In 10 Days

Completion of a half-mile hard-surfaced highway loop through Spur will be completed in 10 days, Jack Taylor, highway maintenance foreman, said today. Cost of the road will not exceed \$6,500. The loop, which connects with half a mile of Spur paving, will carry traffic from Highway 18.

### The Fair Store Carries Complete Line Dry Goods



GEO. GABRIEL

The Fair Store was established in our city about three years ago. When this store was established Mr. Gabriel stated that he wanted a store that would make Spur a better trading place. He has one of the nicest stores to be found in West Texas. A full line of dry goods and ready to wear can be secured at the Fair Store, and there are a number of courteous sales people ready to help you all the time. The store started with a good patronage and has kept gaining all the time.

### South Plains Junior Fat Stock Show at Lubbock

All is in readiness for the eighth annual South Plains Junior Fat Stock Show which will begin at Lubbock, Monday, April 4, lasting three days. Entries which have been coming in daily have passed last year's record and from all indications this year's event will be one of the best in the history of the association.

4-H Club boys and vocational students from 36 West Texas counties and three Eastern New Mexico counties will have part in one of the greatest exhibitions of livestock of its kind. Entries in each division, the baby beef, the fat lamb, and fat pig, have exceeded the hundred mark, according to C. C. Johnson, general superintendent.

The first day will be devoted to weighing and getting the animals in condition to be judged. The evening of the first day there will be a bonfire entertainment for the exhibitors, beginning promptly at 7:30. Music, talks, games and eats will constitute the program. Beginning at 9 a. m. Tuesday, the second day, judging in all divisions will start. Entertainment for the exhibitors the second evening will be a theatre party.

The first 4-H FFA boys parade Wednesday morning will attract thousands of visitors. Numerous communities and counties have entered units in this parade, with banners, placards, floats and brightly uniformed bands, telling the story of their activities to thousands who will view the parade. Each unit will pass before the reviewing stand to be judged. Awards will be given the best of 4-H clubs and likewise the best FFA boys unit.

Climaxing the three day show will be the auction sale Wednesday afternoon with Col. Earl Gartin, of Greensburg, Indiana, in charge. All animals placed will pass through the sales ring and be sold to the highest bidder. The chant of the auctioneer will begin promptly at 1 p. m., April 6.

Several entries in the show will be made from Dickens County.

### Blackwell Test Made In 1925-26

This well was drilled during the years of 1925 and 1926 on Section 106 west of Dickens. It is known as the Moutry et al No. 1 Blackwell Well and was drilled to a depth of 3,509 feet. It is located two and one-half miles north of the Spur-Dickens block, and was located on what is commonly called a regional high. The various formations such as shale, sandstone, some anhydrite and quite a lot of lime was encountered in the drilling. Some formations were of an oil producing nature, but only a slight rainbow was encountered.

Considering the result of the well geologist were led to the opinion that this well was too near the natural high, and that if oil is to be secured in this section it will be on the flank formation. The Blackwell No. 1 and the Jones No. 1 seemed to be similar in formation and under regular conditions production should have been secured in both of them. It is the opinion that had the Blackwell No. 1 been drilled some three miles south of its location that production might have been secured.

### Ginners Report

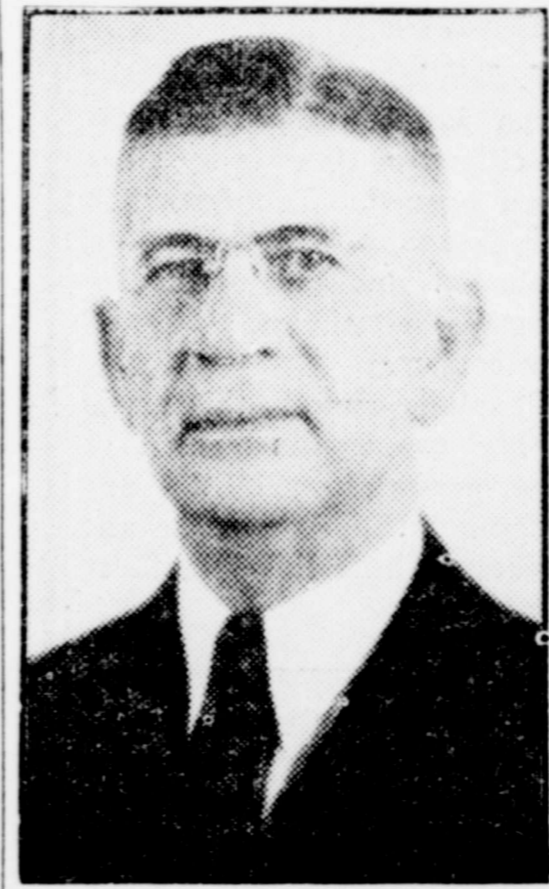
According to information received from Frank Watson, Dickens county ginned 37,290 bale of cotton for 1937, as compared with 9,804 for 1936.

Kent county ginned 10,776 for 1937 and 5,769 for 1936.

Mrs. Aratha Locke, of Miami, is in Spur visiting with her parents Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Ellis, and other relatives.

### First Deep Well Was Drilled To 4489 Feet And Abandoned

#### Alexander & Co. Rates High In Spur



HENRY ALEXANDER

This is one of Spur's leading dry goods firms that has been serving the community for several years. Since coming to our city Mr. Alexander has made a great number of friends and stands high in the estimation of his business associates. The firm handles one of the nicest and most complete lines of dry goods found in West Texas, and people who visit there may expect to receive the best of treatment. There is always a courteous, friendly atmosphere about the store, a happy attitude that makes it pleasant to visit there. This firm is advertising a good line of bargains and people will do well to investigate.

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This well was started in June, 1909, and the purpose to be accomplished was to secure water for the town of Spur. However, the town had not started to build at that time, but it was planned and the first lots were sold November 1, 1909, while the well was drilling. It was the hope of those in charge that a strata of artesian water might be connected which would be ample to supply Spur.

The drilling was under the supervision of H. P. Mimihan, who was considered one of the most experienced in the work at that time. The drilling was continuous until November, 1913, when it had to be abandoned on account of the loss of a cone in it which could not be secured.

At a depth of 16 feet a strata of sand and gravel which produced water was encountered and was about seven feet thick. Hard substance was encountered at a depth of 23 feet and from there on the formations were of hard nature. (continued on back page)

### Slaughter Pool In Hockley Co. Gets Extension

Record potential of the extreme North Basin area was attained by Honolulu Oil Corporation, Ltd., No. 1-51 Alex. A. Slaughter estate, in the Slaughter pool of southwest Hockley, as it flowed 917.53 barrels on 24-hour test through open 2-inch tubing. It is bottomed at 1,973 feet in line and was acidized with a total of 9,000 gallons, given in three stages. Location is 440 feet out of the southwest corner of labour 51, league 37, Zavalla county school land.

Extending Slaughter production over three-quarters of a mile to the (continued on back page)



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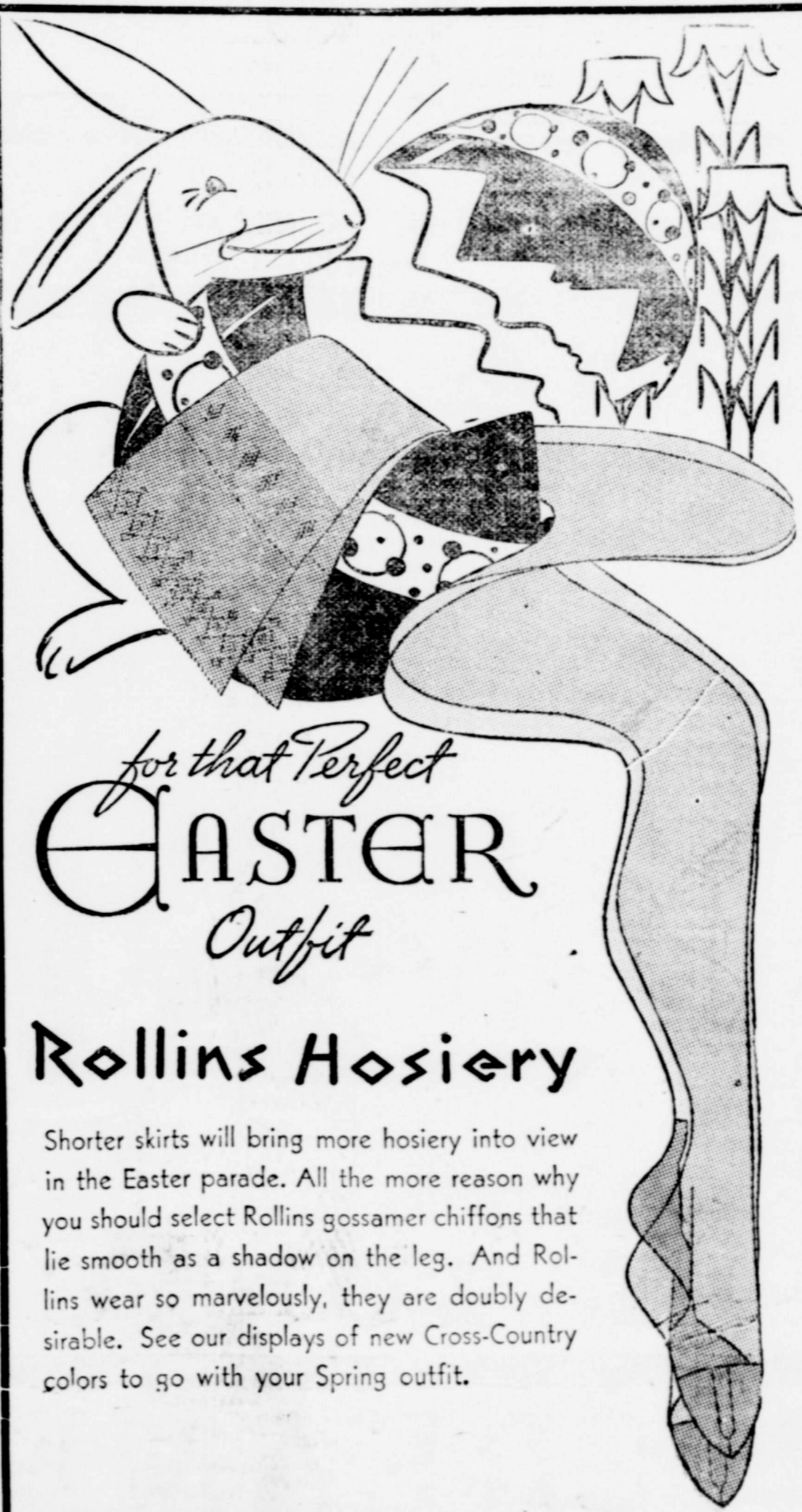
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# Spur Creamery Big Help To Farmers

## Spur Creamery An Asset To The Community

The Spur Creamery has meant great deal to the Spur community as an outlet for dairy products. Until its establishment in 1928 the only means of sale for dairy products was through cream stations which meant only a meager exchange in values.

In 1927 Roy Stovall bought the Spur Bottling Works from M. E. Manning and Sons and they secured the building next to it. Until that time Mr. Stovall had been engaged in the electric light and power business as a partner in the firm by the name of Lea & Stovall. There was a great demand for a creamery in the community as people wanted to add the dairy industry to their farm programs and there was not much inducement under the conditions that existed at that time.

Mr. Stovall took the matter under advisement and after visiting many creameries in different parts of the state and in other states, he decided to make the adventure. In so doing he has been able to render a great service to Spur country by furnishing the farmers a market for their cream. In addition to that he furnished a number of people employment in the business and added quite a payroll to the community.

At this time the farmers are selling from \$16,000 to \$18,000 in cream per month to the Spur Creamery. This may not look to be a large amount, but it means an income of more than \$200,000 per year to farmers in this community. In addition there are other communities served by the Spur Creamery.

The products of the Spur Creamery have always been of the highest classification. There is a demand for Espuela Brand butter all over Texas and much of it is shipped to northern cities where it is sold on the market along with the products of the larger creameries.

The ice cream feature of the creamery is quite an asset to the community. This requires a lot of whole milk which is furnished by local dairymen. This product is sold over several West Texas counties, and people in other sections are showing favorite to Espuela ice cream.

Within the next 40 to 50 days Mr. Stovall hopes to start another

industry which will mean much to the farmers of this community. That will be a cheese factory. He believes that this country can and will support this industry. He is giving the farmers an opportunity to add more cows to their dairy herds with the assurance that they will find a sale for the whole milk. This industry will probably add another quarter of a million dollars to the income of the farmers of the community, if they will stock enough dairy cows to take advantage of the opportunity. That amount added to the present sale of products to the creamery will amount to about one third of the price of the cotton crop sold in Dickens county in 1937. If chickens and a few hogs are added to the farm program and farmers will haul the whey back home and feed it to hogs and chickens, the farmers in this section will have a very good foundation for a living.

It will mean that more feed must be grown, but that is essential to building up the soil. Farm animals help in soil building, they provide for a crop rotating program and a diversification program as well, and just what the new cheese factory will mean to the community cannot be determined at this time. But Spur Creamery is trying to do some practical things for the farmers of this country.

## Disputes In Mexico Over Oil Is Serious

During the past three years the oil companies operating in Mexico have utilized every possible means to bring about a satisfactory solution of the labor problem there but it has proved to be more political than industrial.

Before the latest demands were announced oil companies were paying twice the prevailing wages and were taking care of their employees in other ways in a manner not duplicated by any other industry.

The expropriation decree of the past week was the logical outcome of a deliberate program to divest the private oil companies of their properties and turn them over to the government in furtherance of its policy of state socialism in the operation of the industry.

No one who has followed the progress of the negotiations can doubt that the constantly increasing demands of labor, supported by the government and culminating in the

## LUMBERMAN



F. W. JENNINGS

F. W. Jennings, manager of the Brazelton Lumber Company, has been a citizen of Spur every since the town opened. The Brazelton Lumber Company is Spur's oldest establishment, and under the management has helped build Spur and Dickens county.

Mr. Jennings came to this newly developing country in search of new and greater possibilities and found them in Spur where he and Mrs. Jennings have lived for these many years.

impossible terms dictated last December, were made with the idea that the operating companies could not accede to them and that there would be nothing left but to bring about the situation that has developed.

Wholly aside from the intricacies of international law, the rights of the American and British oil companies have been violated, and the duty devolves upon their governments to see that the acknowledged rights of their nationals are recognized. The least that can be done is to press for prompt settlement in full for the properties.

Later, when the Mexican government finds it can not operate these properties on the basis demanded by labor, it should be seen that they are not turned over to somebody else for private operation. The state department at Washington should give earnest consideration to the broad national issues involved in this situation in Mexico. Oil is going to be increasing demand, the most important resource, excepting food, in the expanding operations of commerce and industry and for the national

defense. It is certain we must look more and more for supplies outside this country. It is certain also that increasing volumes of oil will be found in unexplored areas outside this country. And it is well that it should be so. America can not assume that it can supply all the world or even that its own petroleum resources will be sufficient to supply its own needs indefinitely. The American oil industry led in the discoveries and development of

petroleum. It is essentially an American industry. The great majority of the important developments in drilling, production, transportation and refining have originated in the United States.

This country has within its borders several units which have already proved their ability to find oil abroad and have the capital to make it available to the world.

Oil is wherever you find it, and where Americans find it they should be supported by their government

in rightful disposition of it. American companies have gone into the most remote and inaccessible parts of the globe to find oil and have thereby greatly strengthened their country's position in world commerce.

Unless international relationships are to be reduced to brigandage, as in the Old World today, and treaties, agreements and concessions are to be regarded as mere "scraps of paper" the governments of this hemisphere must take a stand for

mutual respect of their obligations. It gets down to this. American companies without government subsidies and relying entirely upon their own efforts can continue to maintain a dominant position in oil operations outside this country. But they must have the support of their government commonly accorded in international operations.

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## Welcome to Spur



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### Wild-Life Conservation Meeting At Matador Friday Night Well Attended

The meeting held at Matador Friday night for the purpose of instilling sentiment for the preservation of the game animals and birds in West Texas, was favored with a good attendance of people, and all of them appeared to be interested in the work. Representatives of six counties were present as game preserve officials and a number of people from other counties attended.

Frank A. Buckley, county agent for Motley county, served as program chairman. In his introductory remarks he stated that the week of March 20 to 26 inclusive had been set aside and game preserve, or Wildlife Week. He said this was the first time in history that the United States had ever observed Wildlife Week, and the first time a President had ever issued a proclamation for such purpose.

Gus Bird, stock farmer of Motley county, addressed the meeting and stated that all wildlife in West Texas is decreasing. He emphasized the importance of people taking care of the game birds and game animals in this country.

The Universal Hunting License Law was discussed by Representative Bob Alexander. He explained that this law provides that all persons whether they hunt in their home county or in some other county, be required to pay a hunting license. He said that today the Game, Fish and Oyster Commission of Texas does not have adequate funds to look after the wildlife of the state. He stated that it is nothing more than right for people to pay for the privilege of the sport they enjoy so much and the new proposed law would require everybody who hunts to have license except when they hunt on the properties they own or control.

Different secretaries were asked to make reports of the game preserve movements in their counties. Elmer Reeves reported for Motley county, stating that 77 land owners had joined in the association, and stated that several thousand acres had been set aside. Mr. Griggs reported for Cottle county, stating that 56 land owners had signed up 306,000 acres. V. V. Parr reported for King county and stated that 15 landholders had set aside 304,000 acres. George S. Link, Jr., reported for Dickens county and said that 85 farmers and ranchmen had signed up around 150,000 acres. The county agent reported for Floyd county and stated that 43,000 acres had been set aside in the northeast part of the county for the conservation of game. Briscoe county had a representative who stated that they were just taking up the work. He reported 210,000 acres for that county and said Briscoe wanted to be

in with the other counties. The report of the resolutions committee was read by E. A. Carlock of Paducah. The report set out a very complete outline of what the game laws of Texas might do toward assisting the preservation of game in the state.

V. V. Parr was asked to introduce the main speaker of the evening. Mr. Parr said it was a pleasure to introduce Will J. Tucker, who is executive secretary of the State Game Commission. Mr. Tucker did not have any jokes to tell and compliments to pass, but went into his subject, Wildlife Problems in Texas, and discussed it thoroughly. He said that Texas at this time is the only state in the union that does not have a universal license law. He said that people were turned loose in Texas to destroy an asset that is worth \$93,000,000 annually to the land owners of this state. He stated that in addition to that, Texas is one of the greatest states in the union for game preserves, and that hunters in Texas spent \$25,000,000 annually for hunting equipment with the merchants in Texas. He said further that the tax derived on the sale of gasoline now for the use of highways and schools amounted to far more than the sum that is paid into the treasury of the State Game Commission. Then he stated what could these funds amount to if we had the game of our state properly organized and had it properly controlled by the right kind of laws. He enumerated a number of animals which once were here, but are gone today. He said that before long all of the remainder of the game will have been done away with unless protective measures are executed. He said it is a matter of the people as the game roamed upon their lands, and he hoped they would see proper to set about to control the allotment of game in this state.

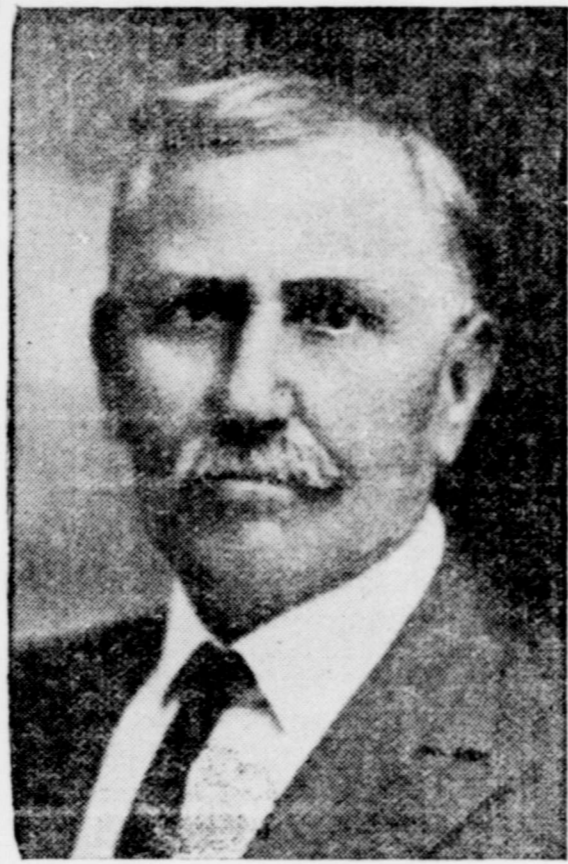
The large auditorium of the Matador High school was filled with people who listened attentively to all discussions.

J. R. Griggs, county superintendent of Lubbock county, gave the audience a free picture show at the close of the discussion. The pictures shown were greatly enjoyed by the people.

W. S. Smiley, of the Duncan Flat community, was in Spur Saturday greeting friends and attending to business affairs.

Mrs. Sybil Taylor, teacher in the Jayton schools, spent the week here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Hazel.

Frank Ellis, of the old Spur Headquarters, was in Spur Saturday greeting with friends.



E. N. RITER

### Riter Is Spur's Exclusive Hardware

The Riter Hardware Company is Spur's exclusive hardware store at this time. For twenty-five years L. N. Riter and his associates have been serving the people of Spur trade territory zealously. Mr. Riter saw an opportunity at Spur to serve the people when the town was just getting started and he invested his money and showed his confidence in the country by starting the Riter Hardware Company as a new firm in town. He has accommodated an untold number of people during his time here, and this store carries a very complete line of hardware, stoves, implements and queensware to supply the needs of the people.

### Jayton Chevrolet Dealer Has Ad

Lewis H. Mason, of Jayton, was very kind to recognize the advertising ability of the Dickens County Times and placed a nice advertisement in this week's issue. Mr. Mason is the Chevrolet dealer at Jayton and wants his friends in West Texas to call on him when they are in need of a new car or a used car. Also, he has a first class repair and machine shop and will take care of your automobile troubles for you.

If your car runs low with gas and oil he can fix you up in that manner too. He asks his friends, and the public in general to call on him for service. You may be a stranger when you drive in at his station, but you will be his friend when you leave.

Miss Melba Jo Hazel, student in Baylor University at Waco, arrived in Spur Thursday of the past week for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Hazel.

### Henry's Food Market Has Rapid Growth

Henry's Food Market is the latest addition to the grocery business of Spur country, but this firm has been enjoying a good patronage since opening. The owners are Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Henry who have done much for Spur and Spur

people. Mr. Henry has had a wide experience in the grocery business having been associated with the wholesale grocer business before opening this new store. If you want something good to eat you will find it at Henry's Food Market.

Let's make Spur the trading center for oil development.

Mrs. Cliff Bird, who has been seriously ill for sometime at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Reese McNeill, is reported to be improving at this time. Mrs. Bird has many friends who will be glad to learn of her improvement.

W. M. Moore, of the Peaceful Hill community, was a Spur visitor Saturday.

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SPUR, TEXAS

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Staple and Fancy  
GROCERIES  
We Deliver

**City Grocery**  
RED & WHITE STORE  
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Manager

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Visit The  
**FAIR STORE**

**Campbell  
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All New Modern and  
Up-To-Date Furniture

**Haney & Barton**  
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Now you can get the same good dependable service  
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Let us service your car and notice the difference

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**Welcome**



**Get Your  
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Don't delay any longer Love-  
ly Coffure at very low prices. Soft deep waves with  
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TO THE DICKENS COUNTY PIONEER  
OIL MEN!

**J. L. KOONSMAN**  
SHERIFF & TAX COLLECTOR  
DICKENS COUNTY

**Get Ready  
FOR EASTER!**

Make certain that you  
will be your very love-  
liest on Easter morning  
by making your reser-  
vation today. You will  
not only be playing safe  
. . . when you join the  
Easter Parade your per-  
manent will not have  
the too new appearance.

Phone 17 for an early  
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If you are interested in a new piece of new furniture,  
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Full line of Groceries,  
Field and Garden Seed  
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SHOE SHOP**  
All Work Guaranteed  
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Fancy and Staple  
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DICKENS, TEXAS

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Put your  
good co  
Easter  
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**It Is The Opinion of All Geologists That Dickens County and Ke**



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# gratulate their Worthy Efforts Development To Kent Counties Oil Men

## CROP HAIL INSURANCE

I want to handle your hail insurance on your wheat again this year.

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### SERVICE

Conducting a service with true feeling of sympathy and peacefulness is most important during days of stress. Ward's service is born of experience and a definite appreciation of a family's need.

Ward's Funeral Home  
PHONE 120

Greetings Oil Men  
**Mrs. Alice Murphree**  
County Treasurer

Welcome Oil Men  
**Fred Arrington**  
County Clerk

WE INVITE YOU TO DICKENS COUNTY

**Mrs. Nettie Littlefield**  
District Clerk

Oil Men Stop With Us WHEN IN DICKENS  
**MILT GOODE**  
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Let us service your cars and trucks when in DICKENS — Good Gulf Gas

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All kinds of Building Materials. Let us furnish your needs.

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DICKENS, TEXAS

Congratulations to the oil progress in our County

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WELCOME OIL MEN TO MY CAFE  
**Dickens Cafe**

**Mrs. Grace Spraberry, Prop.**

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Just received a new shipment of ONYX White Shoe Polish  
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A new coiffure, styled in the mode of summer, that you'll enjoy having.

Win Compliments With A Vibrantly Alive Coiffure

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### We Welcome Oil Men Into Our County

We buy, sell or exchange Cream, Eggs, Poultry and Feed.

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See us for Oil Leases and Royalties.

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If in need of first class Sand and Gravel—we handle the very best. Pit run, washed and screened. We deliver any where.

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SPUR, TEXAS

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We'll have your motor operating at the peak of efficiency. Valves are ground and adjusted, carbon removed, piston rings replaced, and spark plugs adjusted.

We guarantee expert work at very attractive prices.

Also Phillips 66 Gas and Oil

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PHONE 86



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Grocery

Girard, Texas

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**Mud Hen Cafe**

O. L. OWENS, Prop.  
McADOO, TEXAS

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**FARMALL HOUSE**  
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ROAD HAZARD GUARANTEED  
A Tire To Fit Your Purse . . . Sold by

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WE WANT — YOUR PRODUCE

Regular Lunches and Short Orders

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SPECIALIZING IN ALL KINDS OF WELDING

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FIGURE WITH US  
Virgil Thomas  
T. J. Grizzle

Complete Line of Fancy and Staple GROCERIES

**HENRY'S Food Market**

## Dickens County Will Have the Largest Development of Oil In The State

### Spur Tailors Have A Modern Plant

This business was originally known as the Spur Tailor Shop and was established by Ira Sullivan in the early days of Spur. S. M. Newberry bought the business about 1928 and about one year later sold it to D. D. Dunwoody and E. H. Ousley.

January 1, 1930, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Moore bought the interest of E. H. Ousley and became partners with D. D. Dunwoody. In September of that year they purchased Mr. Dunwoody's interest and took charge of the business as sole owners October 1, 1930. The business then located first door south of Hogan's Barber Shop and used about three fourths of the floor space of that building.

Soon after Mr. and Mrs. Moore took charge of the business they began to install newer and more modern equipment. They added a hat blocking department and today they can make an old hat look like new. They adopted as their slogan "the Friendly Shop", and their watchword was "Service". They have worked diligently to live up to their slogan and the watchword of the business.

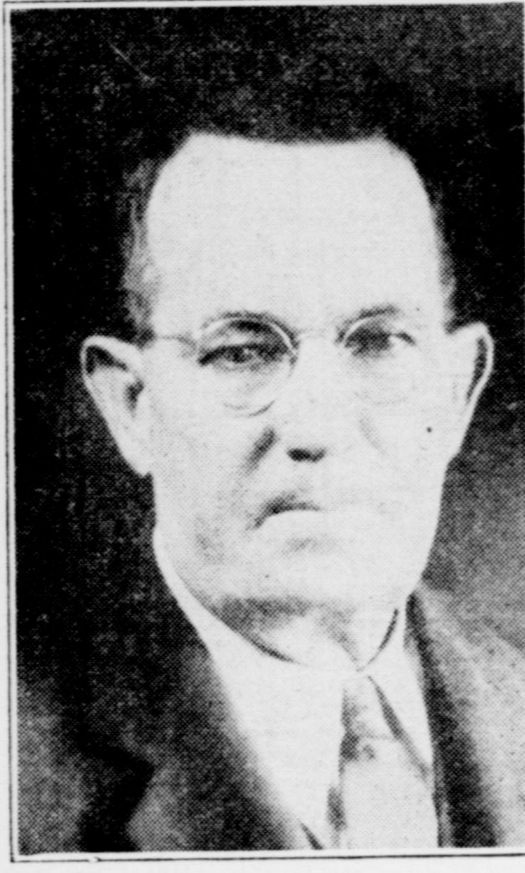
Later they bought the rear portion of Lot No. 1 in Block 27 with a view to erecting a business home on it. This lot had been owned by the Spur Mutual who had planned a nice office building, but the State Department of Insurance would not let the organization go on with the office building program. Mr. and Mrs. Moore erected a nice building on their lot and moved into it in June of 1937.

They have one of the best equipped tailor shops in the state. The quality of work they put out is above reproach. They have just tried to do their part to help Spur make a larger city. Mr. and Mrs. Moore and their son, John A. Moore, Jr., takes care of the business and they try to secure the best help available. They have modern equipment, and just recently installed a modern heating plant which seems to be proving very satisfactory.

Mr. and Mrs. Moore and their son stand for high ideals. They are members of the church and use their influence for a better community.

C. A. Petty, of Lubbock, was a business visitor in Spur Saturday.

### PIONEER GINNER



J. A. GOODWIN

J. A. Goodwin purchased the J. C. Johnson Gin in Spur in October 1933. The gin has enjoyed an excellent patronage under his management in the past few years. He is interested in community enter-

prises and is always willing to lend his support to any progressive community program. He is a good business man and feels that every man should be permitted the right to look after his own affairs. He is honest and reliable, and when once he commits himself he will stand by his proposition regardless of the sacrifice it may require. He is a real man, a citizen that will be a compliment to any community.

W. A. Craddock, of Austin, was in Spur the last of the week transacting business and visiting with friends. Mr. Craddock is a former Dickens county citizen.

Mrs. Hamp Collett and daughter, Mrs. R. A. Farley, of Amarillo, Mrs. Edna Jones and children, spent Sunday in Wichita Falls, visiting with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. O. Smith, were in Spur the last of the week visiting with friends. Mr. and Mrs. Smith have been living in Austin and Houston, but are moving to Lubbock to make their home.

### Spur Ford Agency Has Steady Growth

Ever since Henry Ford began selling Ford cars in the Spur country the firm of Godfrey & Smart have been in business here. For many years the business was housed in a building 25 x 100 feet, but as the business became too large for its home and a new home 75 x 165 feet was erected in 1925. Since that time the firm has enjoyed an excellent business and today is selling about as many Ford V-8's as any house in the Dallas district. Their service department is second to none and the firm is now in position to repair your car, sell you a rebuilt car, a new Ford V-8 or a new Ford truck according to your needs and desires. The firm has been a booster for Spur and Spur country and does business in a way to make friends.

Mrs. E. L. Caraway returned the first of the week from a several days visit with her son, Bill Caraway, who is a student in Terrell Military school.

### Ackerly Man Sends Ad To Times Editor

The Times is glad to recognize the receipt of copy for a half page advertisement from Andy Brown, of Ackerly, who owns a fine delinting plant and cotton seed processor. Mr. Brown has been in the Ackerly country for many years and is one of the most successful ginners and cotton farmers in Texas.

He owns a number of gins in different towns, is a good business man, and above has the reputation of being a good man. He holds

the respect of the people who patronize him and it requires a man of fair play to do that in every respect.

We call attention of our readers to his advertisement in this issue of the Times and hope you give him an opportunity to serve you in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Scott, of Klary, were in Spur Saturday shopping with Spur merchants, and visiting with relatives.

Mrs. Mattie Sizemore, of the Cron community, was among the shoppers in Spur Saturday.

### I. D. Cross, Big Spring, Wants To Furnish You Grave!

I. D. Cross, of Big Spring, has asked for a space in the Time Oil edition, and you will find his space this week. He is a big gravel and sand man, and is well known in West Texas. He is a very busy man and it keeps him working day and night to supply the demands that are being made upon him. It makes no difference if it is sand to cement casing or to build a home or something else, he can furnish what you need regardless of quantity.

## BIGGER and MORE LUXURIOUS THAN ANY PREVIOUS FORD V-8!

See how fine these new cars are — then ask yourself, "Why pay more?"

BUILT IN TEXAS BY TEXAS WORKERS

DELIVERED IN SPUR EQUIPMENT INCLUDED (Taxes Extra)

\$829.85

Price is for the De Luxe 85 H. P. Tudor Sedan illustrated, and includes transportation charges, gas, oil and all the following:

- 2 bumpers • 4 bumper guards • 2 tail lights • 2 windshield wipers • 2 sun visors • 2 electric air horns • 1 cigar lighter • 3 ash trays • spare tire, tube and lock • glove compartment, lock and clock • headlight beam indicator • De Luxe steering wheel • rustless steel wheel bands • heat indicator • built-in luggage compartment • oil bath air cleaner.

THE NEW DE LUXE FORD V-8

## THRIFTY "60" FORD V-8

### Averages 28.85 Miles Per Gallon

Leads All Cars at Its Price and Above by Setting Miles-Per-Gallon Record in Gilmore-Yosemite Economy Run!

ALSO SEE OUR USED CARS

**Ford** Godfrey & Smart

# The KEMGAS DELINTING PLANT

KEMGAS DELINTED SEED GERMINATE FASTER AND WITH THE AID OF LESS MOISTURE

Operated by  
ACKERLY COTTONSEED PROCESSING CO.  
ACKERLY, TEXAS  
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The Kemgas Process delints, disinfects, and grades Planting Cottonseed.

Kemgas delinted seed are as smooth as peas or beans and are planted with any PLANTING MACHINE and

either corn, cowpea or feed platc. Tractors plant 1-3 more each day with Kemgas Delinted Seed because there are few stops to refill with seed and no frazz to choke planter boxes.

### Dickens County Is In Range Of Marathon Fold

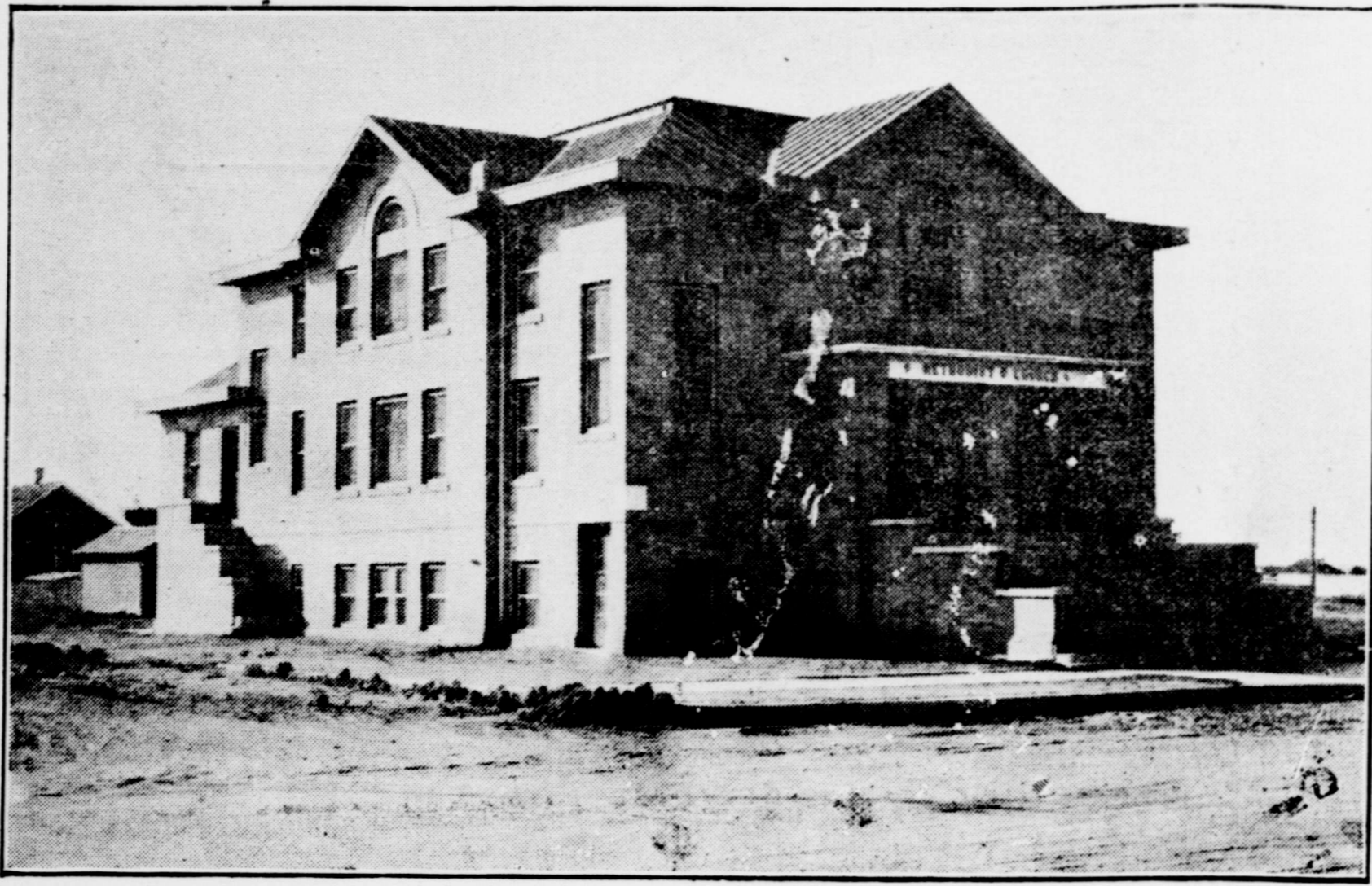
The line of the Marathon Fold is relatively adjacent to Dickens County. This fold, according to certain geology, runs from the southeast corner of Foard County in a southwest line, about 15 degrees west, to the northeast corner of Irion County where it gradually bends westward to Pecos County. The Spur country lies from about 40 to 70 miles west of the line of this fold and is located about the same position to it as that of Howard County where new fields have been brought in recently.

It will be observed that along the line of the Marathon Fold is found producing wells. To the west of it is the Foard County field, Stonewall County, Fisher County, Nolan County and Howard County; and the Pecos County production is west and north of the fold. Some geologists differ in opinion, some saying this is not a fold, but merely a dip in the Pennsylvania structure where it shingles under the Permian Basin. Irrespective of geological opinions, it must be conceded that oil is actually being produced along the line that is called the Marathon Fold which was established by the work of Beede and Liddle in their work which was compiled by the State Geological Department of Texas.

In the counties of Crane, Pecos, Ector and other West Texas counties now making production, can be found the influence of this Marathon Fold. Also, there are fields to the east of it that are making production. In this section there are found faults some of which are making wonderful production in gas, others not so fortunate.

Usually oil is found along these folds. It will be recalled that the productions in the counties of Callahan, Eastland, Young, Archer, Wichita and others lie along the line of what is known as the Bend Arch Fold. Production in these counties is very good proof that certain folds govern production in

### First Methodist Church, Spur



The First Methodist Church has had much to do with the type of citizenship in Spur. The beautiful church building is a monument to the pride of the membership. The church was organized in the fall of 1909 and the congregation worshipped in a tabernacle for twelve years. The late R. A. Stewart was the first pastor of the church, making his home in Dickens and preaching at Spur

oil. The general concession is that the Pennsylvania structure does single under the Permian Basin, and this is one reason why certain wells are producers at greater depths. But there are shallow wells in West Texas which prove that the Permian Basin holds production.

By virtue of the line the Marathon Fold and the findings in the well known Permian Basin, such counties as Stonewall, Kent, King, Dickens, southeastern Crosby, eastern part of Garza and Motley could become centers of production and within a short time may prove to be one of the world's great fields.

part of the time. The membership desired a new church home and in the year 1921 the present structure was erected. Rev. Joe M. Haymes was pastor at that time and directed the work of building. Rev. Haymes was very diligent in his work and the personal contact made with the membership during the building period endeared him to the congregation in a great way. Soon after the building was completed Rev. Haymes was called to another field.

Rev. J. P. Patterson was the first pastor sent to the church after the building was completed. Coming on the field as a new man, and taking charge of a church that was heavily in debt, gave him many problems to talk over with his members. The members and pastor joined hands and went forward in the work and the church grew and much of the indebtedness was paid.

Rev. I. A. Smith followed as pastor and served the church four years. Much of the indebtedness was paid and the remainder was re-financed in a manner that the hardship of paying was greatly

lessened. Rev. Smith was a good leader in the work and left the church in much better condition than he found it.

Then followed Rev. A. B. Davidson and Rev. W. B. Vaughn, both of whom did much to increase the membership and to get the church free of debt. They succeeded, and when they left the church building had been paid out. Rev. Joe E. Boyd was a great organizer, and while he was on the field only one year great progress was shown in the work.

Rev. E. L. Yeatts came as pastor four years ago, and from his careful attention to the work it was difficult to tell whether he was janitor, repairman, head gardener or pastor. It was through his efforts that the beautiful park at the rear of the church became a reality. The Sunday evening services during the hot summer

nights were moved to this beautiful park, the surroundings of which was a divine building was a product of his work, and so was the men's Sunday School room on the back of the church lot.

Rev. P. H. Gates was pastor of the church for one year and he followed up the work Rev. Yeatts

began and so faithfully carried on. Rev. Gates loved the beauty of nature, and he was trained builder. When the church needed any kind of tables, etc. he would get some material and make them, saving the church much expenses.

Rev. J. E. Harrell came to the church last November and his

work is proving very fine. He is carrying on in a great way, preaching, teaching and directing the work. He is loved by the congregation and the Sunday School and other organizations of the church are growing.

Our Want Ads Get Results

### PLAY-TIME CLOTHES

Need Extra Care!

FILMY fabrics and fresh summer colors demand the best of cleaning care if they are to stay festive looking! That's why so many women depend on Spur Laundry's better cleaning service; they know that they can trust their finest frocks to the gentle, thorough cleansing methods used in the Spur Laundry-Cleaners plant.

Men find Spur Laundry-Cleaners cleaning and pressing the answer to an economically smart appearance, too! Try the Spur Laundry-Cleaners method next time!



Any SUIT or DRESS

## Spur Laundry---Cleaners

SPUR, TEXAS

### Starting This Week

Our Helpy-selfy department is air conditioned. Making it comfortable at all times for you to do your own laundry work.

We have one of the most modern laundries and dry cleaning plants in this part of the state.

# "WANTED!"

## GOOD USED CARS AND TRUCKS - IN TRADE ON NEW 1938 CHEVROLETS"

Your Chevrolet Dealer

Our used car stocks are low, following the unprecedented demand of the last several weeks. We want your car now! Bring it in and get our liberal trade-in offer on a NEW CHEVROLET.

**CHEVROLET** The tremendous demand of the last several weeks has reduced our stock of used cars to a point where we're actually short of certain popular makes and models! We need good used cars and trucks! We're making liberal trade-in offers to get them! So now is your opportunity to get a new 1938 Chevrolet on very favorable terms! . . .

Visit our showroom and inspect the new Chev-

rolet—the car that is complete—and the new Chevrolet trucks—the thrift-carriers for the nation! Convince yourself that Chevrolet styling, Chevrolet performance, Chevrolet features—and Chevrolet's low prices—all combine to make these new models the best investments in motordom! Come in—bring your car or truck with you—get our liberal trade-in offer . . . today! "You'll be ahead with a Chevrolet!"

General Motors Instalment Plan—Convenient, Economical Monthly Payments. A General Motors Value.

YOU'LL BE AHEAD WITH A CHEVROLET

## SPUR MOTOR COMPANY

SPUR, TEXAS

## A Small Store IN A Small Town RENDERING A Large Town Service

We have not seen an Auto Parts Store anywhere, large or small, that renders as complete service in Auto Parts and Automotive Service, to their community as out store does. Where others specialize in "fast moving" and "profit-making" items, we specialize in "complete service."

We Supply 90% of All Items Called For

### SOME OF OUR QUALITY BRANDS

"Wausau" Piston Rings  
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"Crosley" Radios  
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"Goodyear" Tires & Tubes  
"Goodyear" Batteries  
"Crosley" Refrigerators  
"Auto-Lite" Spark Plugs  
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## Allen Auto Supply

Day and Nite Phone 14

### Synoptical History Of West Texas C. C.

WICHITA FALLS, — The West Texas Chamber of Commerce, in holding its twentieth annual convention in Wichita Falls, on April 25, 26, and 27, will round out two decades of constructive effort on behalf of West Texas by a return to the city where its permanent organization was completed.

Today the nation's largest regional chamber of commerce, the WTCC dates back to modest beginnings.

It was during the winter of 1918-1919 that organization plans were set in motion, at an initial meeting in Fort Worth.

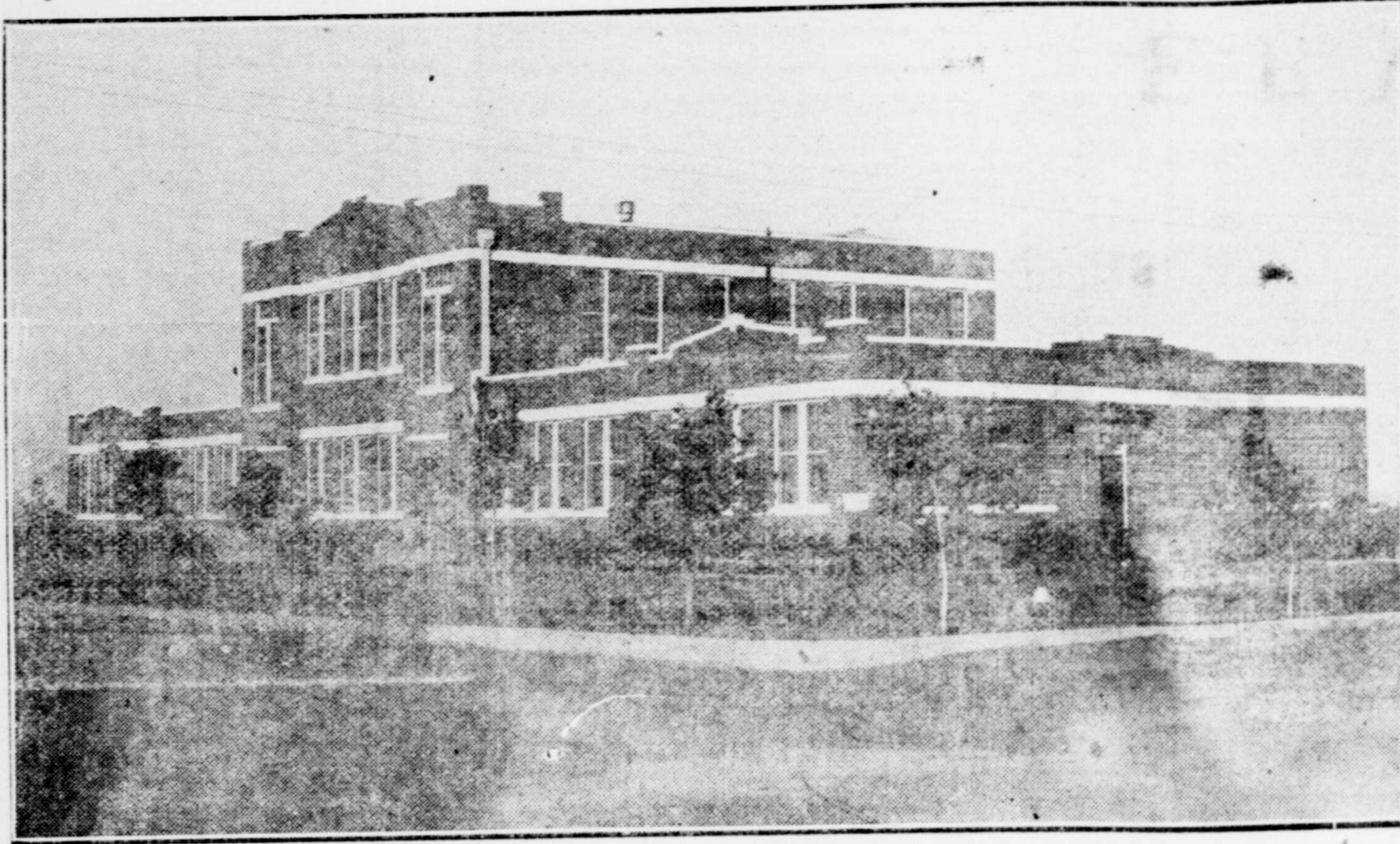
Later, on February 8, 1919, at Wichita Falls, with J. A. Kemp as temporary chairman, Col. C. T. Herring, Amarillo capitalist, was elected first president.

The organization has grown and expanded, and boasts an impressive record of activities to boost and build West Texas during the past twenty years. Today, it includes 5 member cities.

The only president to serve the WTCC two years was A. B. Spencer of Crosbyton, elected in 1922 and 1923.

Cities that have twice entertained the convention are Wichita Falls, 1927 and 1938; Mineral Wells, 1919 and 1925; Abilene, 1920 and 1930; Plainview, 1922 and 1935; San Angelo, 1923 and 1934; Brownwood, 1924 and 1937;

### SPUR HIGH SCHOOL



O. C. THOMAS, SUPT.

Amarillo, 1926 and 1936.

In twenty years, three secretaries have served the organization, Porter A. Whaley, now of San Antonio, from 1919 to 1926; Homer D. Wade, 1926 to 1929, and D. A. Bandeen, 1929 to date.

Officers of the WTCC were maintained at Stamford from 1919 until 1937, when they were moved to Abilene.

Follows here a roll call of the prominent West Texans who have headed the West Texas organization, including the year, the president's name, home, and the year's convention city is the last named place:

1919, C. T. Herring, Amarillo, at Mineral Wells; 1920, H. P. Brelsford, Eastland, at Abilene; 1921, Clifford B. Jones, Spur, at Ranger; 1922, \*A. B. Spencer, Crosbyton, at Plainview; 1923, \*A. B. Spencer, Crosbyton, at San Angelo; 1934, Col. C. C. Walsh, San Angelo, at Brownwood; 1925, \*R. Q. Lee, Cisco, at Mineral Wells; 1926, Arthur P. Duggan, Littlefield, at Amarillo; 1927, R. W. Haynie, Abilene, at Wichita Falls; 1928, A. M. Bourland, \*Arnon, at Fort Worth; 1929, W. B. Hamilton, Wichita Falls, at El Paso; 1930, Charles E. Combes, Stamford, at Abilene; 1931, Houston Harte, San Angelo, at Lubbock; 1932, \*Wilbur C. Hawk, Amarillo, at Sweetwater; 1933, Walter D. Cline, Wichita Falls, at Big Spring; 1934, James D. Hamlin, Farwell, at San Angelo; 1935, Ray H. Nichols, Vernon, at Plainview; 1936, Van Zandt Jarvis, Fort Worth, at Amarillo; 1937, Milburn McCarty, Eastland, at Brownwood.

(\* Has since died.)

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Watson and little daughter, spent the week end in Austin, visiting with their son, Jimmy.

Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Delisle, of Lubbock, spent the latter part of the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Watson and other relatives and friends of the city.

### World Champions Make Screen Debut

Two of the world's outstanding athletes, simultaneously make their first screen appearance in the same motion picture, are starred in "Tarzan's Revenge," Twentieth Century-Fox release of the Edgar Rice Burroughs' jungle romance which comes to the Palace Theatre Saturday.

The title role in the Principal Production is played by Glenn Morris, crowned the greatest all-around athlete in history when he won the Berlin Olympic Games in 1936 with the highest score ever recorded. The leading feminine part is in the hands of Eleanor Holm, twice an Olympic contestant and holder of the world's record for the women's 100-meter backstroke swimming event.

The succession of strenuous adventures in the picture called for all their athletic prowess before the film finally was completed. D. Ross Lederman directed.

### Friendship Club Meeting At McAdoo

Broccoli is the new vegetable Friendship club members are interested in growing. This was decided in a meeting with Mrs. C. A. Allen Tuesday, March 22.

Aids from J. F. Rosborough, Extension Horticulturist, on the care of Broccoli were studied with much interest.

Four visitors: Susan Clark, Ida Floyd Finney, Mrs. Roy Ward and Jo Hickman, also, eight members were present. One new member was added to the club roll.

The club will meet April 12, 2:30 p.m. in the Home Economics building of McAdoo school. Miss Jean Day, Home Demonstration agent, will be present and give a demonstration of yeast bread magic.

Members are urged to be present. Visitors are welcome. —Reporter.

### SLAUGHTER POOL—

(continued from page one) southeast, Gulf Oil Corporation No. 1 M. G. Gordon estate is drilling time at 5,071 feet. It swabbed and flowed 120 barrels of oil the past 24 hours. First oil was struck from 4,970-75, with broken increases be-

low 4,990 until good increase was logged from 5,040 to 5,045. At that point it began making 30-minute heads every six hours. The well also is making two gallons of salt water hourly, chiefly from 5,057 to 5,062. It is believed that this is pocket water and that it will eventually exhaust. The well is in the northwest corner of section 12, blk. X, public school land.

### FIRST DEEP WELL—

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Most of it consisted of blue limestone, blue rock gray limestone, limestone with soft streaks, sandstone, flint and blue rock, chert, red sandrock and other types of hard substances. The well was abandoned at a depth of 4,489 feet for the reason above stated.

However, this well had its bearings in regard to the oil situation in this section. Geologists working the country later through their surveys based much opinion on the findings in this well. It is the opinion of many that the sub-surface at the location of the well was mountainous in its nature and that the strata had never been disturbed by any upheaval. With the change in formation found in other wells just a few miles away have led the experienced oil people to express the opinion that there is an upheaval in structure and that a

pool of oil is banked against the unbroken structure where the Swenson well was drilled.

It is thought that to the north and west of this point oil bearing formation can be obtained. That section of the country has all the appearance of a one time inland sea, or arm of the ocean which has been filled in in which oil bearing sands may be secured at a depth of around 4,000 to 5,000 feet.

### MANY GEOLOGISTS—

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the shallower wells. We feel from what we have at hand, that we will ultimately be successful in our efforts, and that in the end the views of our past beloved citizen, Mr. J. C. Davis that his dreams will come true, and while his day is past others may reap the reward for his efforts and money spent in the early promotion by the others of the Spur citizens. I feel with the many locations made recently in Dickens and the nearby counties is proof that others are of the opinion that it is worthwhile to spend money in the attempt of opening up what I believe to be one of the largest oil fields in Texas, regardless of what one may think is not getting oil as it requires a lot of work on the part of those who assemble the acreage and it requires a lot of money to

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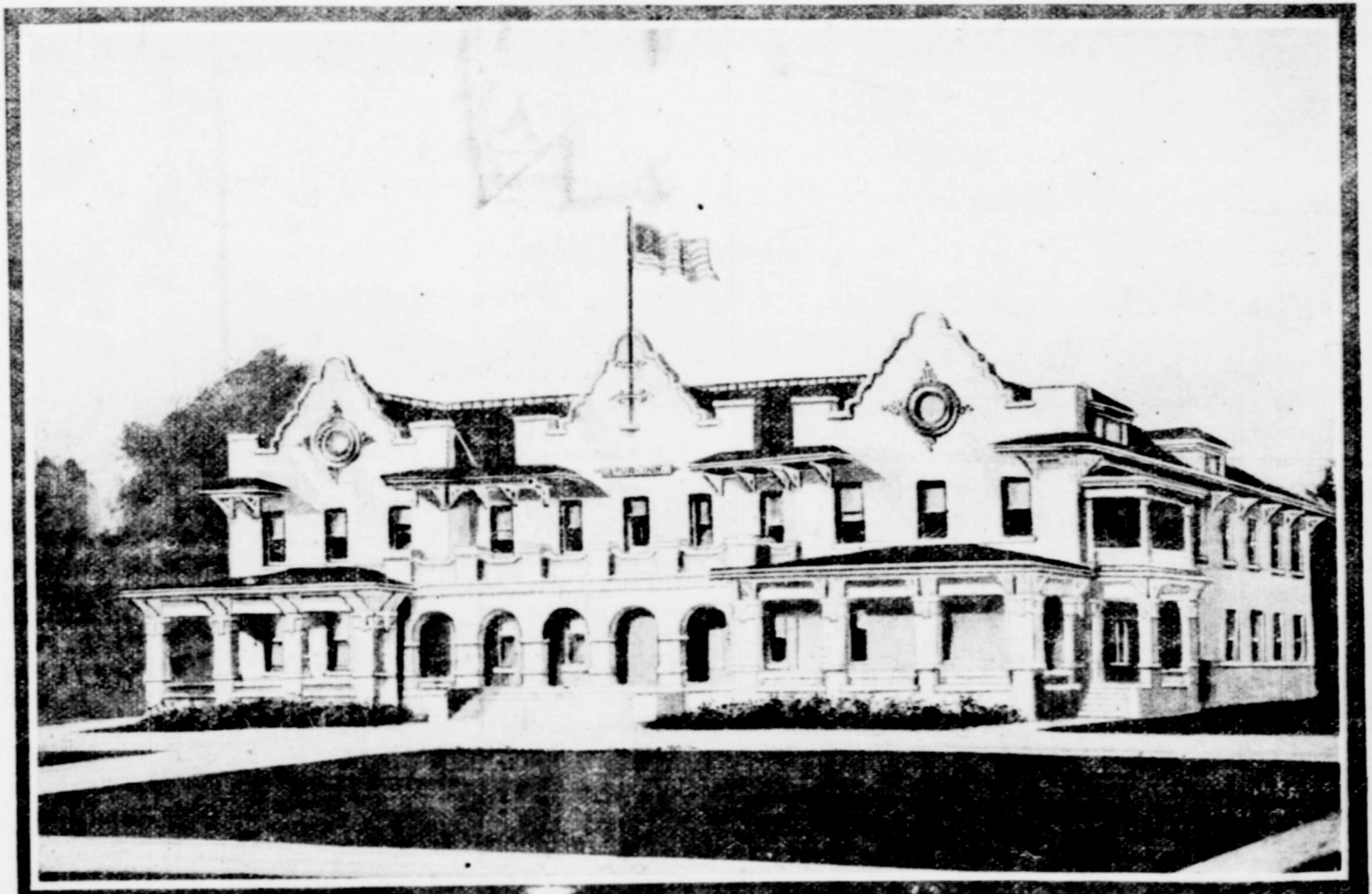
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