

# The Baird Star

OUR MOTTO—"Tis neither birth, nor wealth, nor state, but get up-and-get that makes men great."

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1943

THE BAIRD STAR, BAIRD, TEXAS,—IN ITS FIFTY-SEVENTH YEAR

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## THANKS, BUSINESS MEN

And accept our apology for the little news surrounding your advertising; lack of help, which may let us down many times before this cruel war is over, may make it necessary for me to say:

"I'm sorry!"

But in it all we shall carry on together, with a common fight to win and a mutual interest at stake.

Response to our first appeal for business was almost 100 per cent; and thank you for that.

Brashear Food Store  
City Pharmacy  
The First National Bank  
Gray's Style Shop  
Holmes Drug Store  
Jones Dry Goods Company  
McElroy's  
Mayfield's  
Modern Beauty Shop  
Modern Shoe Shop  
Morgan's Food Store  
Norvell & Boyd Grocery  
Plaza Theatre  
Ramsey's Variety Store  
The Central Rendering Company  
Will D. Boydston  
and all you professional and small-regulars, and for this issue's business.

S. W. Adams, Publisher.

## THAT COURTHOUSE

I am going to win a bottle of coke at the courthouse. The young lady who keeps the office from slipping away while the county agent, Mr. Meadows, is away, said that any time I find Mr. Meadows in that office more than two times a week, the coke is mine.

I am going to move my desk up there!

It was quite all along the courthouse front Tuesday, with no news, the best news, holding the headlines.

The gang is all right. The spirit of the gang is intriguing. I may go back.

## DELPHIAN CLUB

Met Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. R. L. Alexander, Mrs. Brightwell president, presiding. The president announced the giving of a small bond to the Shriners hospital for crippled children.

Mrs. Brightwell gave interesting excerpts from the General and State Federation of Women's Clubs.

Next meeting will be held Dec. 28.

## MRS. ANNIE RAY

Wife of I. R. Ray of Eula, died Wednesday night at the home of her daughter Mrs. Curtis Jones in Baird.

The former Annie Brady, she was born July 16, 1887 and married Ira Ray, Dec. 4, 1907. She was a member of the Baptist church for 35 years.

Survivors are her husband, four daughters, Winona Ray and Mrs. Curtis Jones of Baird, Mrs. G. W. Wolf of Moran, and Mrs. W. C. Butler of Lea, N. Mex.; one son, W. H. Ray of Temple; two sisters, Mrs. Mittie Rupert of Tulsa, Okla., and Billie Berberick of Miami, Fla.; two brothers, Leslie Brady of Abilene, and Edd Brady of Waco; and nine grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Friday afternoon at the Baptist church with the pastor, Rev. Cox conducting the rites. Burial was made in the Clyde cemetery.

Pall bearers were: Tom Holmes, Leonard Gray, Wallace McNeil, Al Fitzhugh, Austin Bouchette, Frank Terry.

## WOMEN WANTED.

In the Army Air Service to fill important positions, where technical knowledge and trade skill are required.

These WACS can make weather observations and tend the "beam" that guides an airplane home, urges Lieut. Williams of the Abilene recruiting office.

Mrs. Jack Flores and son Billie Claude and her mother, Mrs. M. Pierce have moved to Houston to make their future home.

Mrs. J. T. Ables and children have gone to Houston where they will probably make their home.

Raymond Clark, former ranchman of Putnam, now living in Palo Pinto county was in Baird last Friday and called at The Star office to renew his subscription.

## CHRISTMAS IS COMING.

To the child the eight more days will be weeks. To the middle-aged, it will be busy fun making and planning. To the aged, it will be just a minute of time, neither anticipatory nor sought.

But for all of us it has every prospect of being the saddest in many years—out on the atoll-infested waters of the Pacific, in those atoll jungles reeking with disease, many of our sons are somewhere: On the Mediterranean front millions of them are holding gained ground and dying that the line may creep toward Berlin. In the air they are doing and dying—

And, when any human being professes his understanding of all of this we can only shake our heads and wonder at his professions.

But, we must carry on. Christmas fires should burn at home the warmer, that their warmth may reach the tired, chilled forms of our struggling youth; our Christmas trees should stand more gaily decorated, that their tinsel and glitter may reach them with the assurance that when this is past, life again will level out in the little things which make up life's best portion.

No need for us to suggest what you do. This is not a time of one's suggesting what another should do. It is a time when every blooming soul must do his best, knowing that his neighbor has just as much invested as he.

This is the 57th Christmas for the Baird Star, and we are planning a Christmas tree for it, without presents around it, just a hovering place for the spirit of its servants for these long, patient purposeful years—but you are invited to come by and inspect it with us.

## CHRISTMAS CANTATA.

The Methodist Choir, directed by Mrs. W. O. Wylie, Jr. will present the Christmas Cantata, "The Music of Bethlehem" by Fred B. Holton, Sunday Evening, December 19 at 7:30 o'clock at the Methodist Church. The public is cordially invited.

## 4-H CLUB BOYS.

Have been busy. Regular meeting December 9. Discussed beef calves, hogs, poultry and crops. Will have Christmas tree Wednesday afternoon Dec. 22, at school building. Horace and Gene Bains, Glendale Gibbs, Charlie Sargent, Wylie Tvert, Barney and Frank Parker were present.

They have organized Callahan County 4-H Hog Association. Lowell Johnson, Oplin, president; Billy Sol Estes, Clyde, Sec'y.-Treas. Qualification for membership is the owning a registered hog. Billy Sol Estes, Bobby Estes, Clyde; Lowell Johnson, Oplin; Calvin Lee Britton Denton; David Park Clinton, Putnam; Ersal Lee Johnson and Choice Clemmer, Eula; and Harold Garrett, Cross Plains are charter members.

## PURLOINING PARAGRAPHS.

Glancing through the Putnam News, we find—

That the Putnam gin finished the season with the 458th bale. Ginner Davis thought 250 bales would be the maximum this year, at the beginning of the season.

That 15 cars of 10-inch pipe were unloaded in Putnam for the Magnolia Pipe Line company.

That Otis Tatom is moving to the farm vacated by Mr. and Mrs. W.P. Yarbrough, who have moved to Freer.

That Miss Jewel Shirley bought the 300-acre tract of land owned by S. W. Hughes, then bought the Tom Crosby house and moved it to the ranch.

That Putnam News want ads still get the job done.

## CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to express our sincere thanks to our many friends during the illness and death of our loved one; also for the beautiful floral offerings.

May the same Divine Power and friendly sympathy comfort you in your hour of sorrow.

Ira Ray and Children,  
Mrs. Mittie Rupert  
Edd Brady  
Leslie Brady.

Mrs. Bob Beck is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Mitchell and family in Houston.

## GILLILANDS SELL THE BAIRD STAR TO S. W. ADAMS

The Baird Star has been sold to S. W. Adams of Tyler by Eliza and Haynie Gilliland, the sale being closed Saturday afternoon and Mr. Adams took charge of the paper Monday.

Mr. Adams is a native Texan and has been engaged in the newspaper business since 1914 (buying the Port Lavaca paper in April of that year. He has been connected with the Houston Press, was with the Sugarland Industries two years as editor of their state-wide weekly. The Texas Commercial News, and manager of their large printing plant; has owned several weekly papers in Texas, notably the Gladewater Journal, which gained state-wide prominence in the oil fight in 1931-32. He returned from the newspaper business five years ago and located in Tyler. He recently bought the Arp Press which he liquidated. Previous to entering the newspaper business, Mr. Adams taught school for ten years.

Mr. Adams is a very capable and enthusiastic worker; he is well pleased with the prospects of the newspaper and printing business in Baird.

The Baird Star was established by the late W. E. Gilliland, father of Eliza and Haynie Gilliland, on Dec. 8, 1887—56 years ago. Mr. Gilliland who had printed a little paper The Tecumseh Banner at Tecumseh for some two years bought the Callahan County Clarendon from Howard Allen on Nov. 28, 1887. The Clarendon, the first newspaper to be published in Callahan county, was established at Belle Plain, then the county seat of Callahan county, on Nov. 15, 1879 and was moved to Baird in 1883 when the county seat was moved here.

Mr. Adams has rented the J. N. Tyson residence in west Baird and Mrs. Adams, who is now with their daughter, Mrs. Glend Evans and family in Austin, will join him here about the first of the new year. Mr. and Mrs. Adams also have a son, Lieutenant Mark Adams with the Naval Air Forces in the South Pacific. Lieutenant Adams' wife and little daughter live in Marshall, where Mrs. Adams is Society Editor of the Marshall Messenger. Glen L. Evans their son-in-law is a Geologist on the University Staff. The Evans have a little daughter Carolyn.

Eliza and Haynie Gilliland will be with Mr. Adams until January 1st.

## BIRTHS.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Craghead, of Baird, Dec. 4th, a girl.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Holliman, Dec. 7th., a boy.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Childress, Dec. 8th., a boy.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Leon, of Dallas, a daughter on Dec. 13th.

Mrs. Leon is the former Donna McGowen of Baird and her mother, Mrs. H. C. McGowen is with her daughter and family.

NEW JANITOR.

Is appointed at Courthouse, Mr. Jim Strickland, to succeed the old janitor, Mason Shuford, who resigned account of health.

DOG LOST—Black and tan bound on Finley Ranch, scar on back. Notify Octane Bulk Station or W. G. Walker 1041, Merchant, Abilene, Texas. 2-1tp

## HOSPITAL NEWS

Mrs. Don Higgins of Admiral was a medical patient, Friday and Saturday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Holliman, December 7th, a boy.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Childress of Rowden, December 8th, a boy. Name, Kenneth Wayne.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Simmons, December 11th, a girl.

J. E. Jr., small son of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Bullock is a pneumonia patient.

S. I. Smith entered the hospital Sunday, suffering a broken leg.

Mrs. Frank Windham of Oplin, came to the hospital Sunday, suffering a severe attack of influenza and sinus disorder.

Mrs. Lona Durham of Waxahachie, is a medical patient.

E. V. Hughes, recently injured by automobile, is doing nicely.

Mrs. N. E. McGee of Denton, is slowly improving. Her shoulder was broken.

Mrs. Oran Connel of Clyde, underwent major surgery last week.

## SOUTH REUNION.

Mr. and Mrs. Olaf South of Baird, were hosts on Sunday, Dec. 5th to the annual reunion of the C. E. South family.

In spite of the rainy weather this was one of the most successful of the reunions; which began some 12 or 14 years ago to celebrate Mr. South's birthday. In one more week the honoree will be 84 years old.

Members of the family attending were:

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Moore, Mrs. Rub Baxley and daughter Patricia of Hamilton, Mrs. Oscar May of Maryneal, Mr. and Mrs. Otto May and daughter Betty of Sweetwater, Mr. and Mrs. Joel Griffin, Nell and Bob of Baird, Mrs. Thelma Smedley, Denton, Mr. and Mrs. Rex Jones and son of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Webb and family, Baird, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Webb and children, Mr. and Mrs. Bascom Webb and daughter, Marfa, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Well and children, San Francisco, Calif., Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Webb, Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Tom South and family, Clyde, Mr. and Mrs. Joe South and Joe Donald, Marfa, Mr. and Mrs. Carl South, Big Spring, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph South and children, Clyde, Mr. and Mrs. J. Z. Martin and family, Clyde, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. South, of Baird, and the hosts, Mr. and Mrs. Olaf South and Charles Eddie.

FOR RENT—Two bed rooms adjoining bath, plenty of cover and heat. Mrs. W. E. Paulson. 2-1tp

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## WEDDING BELLS.

We were cup-o-coffying Tuesday morning, when a young soldier came in. Getting acquainted with him revealed that he had had three years in the army, had been visiting a childhood friend here, Miss Mary Beth Hughes, was on his way to his home at Kames City, and that he would return Thursday. He hinted that wedding bells would ring, but of course we are awaiting the prospective bride's parents announcement.

THE FIRST.

In making my rounds from day to day and from week to week, year in and year out, I shall always be happy when you say what J. B. Brown said, on my being introduced to him as the new owner of The Baird Star:

"Here is \$1.50, I have been wanting to subscribe, and didn't get around to it."

He is the first one to make the grade; may his tribe increase.

GRANDSON IN UNIFORM.

James Burnett Lahm, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Lahm, of Ajo, Arizona, and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Corn of Baird, is now located at San Diego, Calif.

He is a native of Baird, having attended its public schools. He joined the Navy just before his brother, S-Sgt. William K. Lahm was reported missing in action over France, Nov. 3; but was at home with his parents when the message arrived.

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## CITY COUNCIL MET.

Tuesday night in a called meeting to escape the holiday rush later on, and held a short, harmonious meeting, with nothing but routine business taken up.

We were invited to be present, and liked the city official family.

Mayor Hugh W. Ross, Jr., presided like a veteran, and City Secretary, R. L. Elliott, Jr., kept records milling through.

Those present ere Councilmen: Earl M. Johnson, J. T. Lawrence, C. W. Sutphen, and E. L. Woodley, and Attorney F. E. Mitchell.

We found that one alderman, who is now in Dallas, Mr. B. F. Russell, has resigned; that the City Council felt it better not to incur the additional expense of calling special election to elect his successor, in the face of the fact that there is nothing of grave importance before the city at this time. Too, regular election is a little more than three months away; so the four men will function with the mayor as the city fathers.

THANK YOU.

Clyde publisher. I knew you just couldn't keep all of that hog-killing goodies to yourself. When I get a real nice apple, you shall have one, too.

ROBERT GREEN SMITH.

Writes his mother, Mrs. Stella Smith, that his unit, the 165th Infantry invaded Makin Island, with machine-gun bullets whizzing all around them.

RAN SMACK INTO.

Editor J. S. Yeager, guardian of the Putnam News, Monday, on the store floors, working up his business; and we found him very much the sort of man we like.

He came over and visited with us a while, and we urge that he come back, often.

I'VE HEARD GOOD.

Things about you, Jack; and they say that you are worth your weight in gold to Cross Plains—run over in that limousine you are able to support, and let's establish fraternal relations.

## THE METHODIST CHURCH

William B. Hicks, Pastor  
Sunday Morning, December 19, 1943  
MORNING WORSHIP

PRELUDE—"There's a Song in the Air"—Harrington

CALL TO WORSHIP.

HYMN NO. 219, "O Come, All Ye Faithful."

HYMN NO. 214, "O Little Town of Bethlehem."

APOSTLES CRED.

PASTORAL PRAYER.

HYMN NO. 218, "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing."

RESPONSIVE READING.

GLORIA PATRI.

OFFERTORY—"Ave Marie".....Schubert

Organ: Mrs. Tucker

Piano: Mrs. Wylie

ANTHEM—"The Star of Bethlehem".....Adams

Soloist: Roland Dunwoody

SERMON.

HYMN NO. 215, "It Came Upon The Midnight Clear."

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE.

POSTLUDE—"Triumphal March".....Greig

## The Music of Bethlehem

Directed by  
Mrs. W. O. Wylie, Jr.

Text by  
Mattie B. Shannon  
Organ Reveries.....Mrs. Viva Tucker  
"Ring on, O Song".....Choir, Soloists: Mr. Dunwoody, Miss Wheeler  
Scripture and Prayer.....Reverend W. B. Hicks  
"A King Shall Reign".....Mr. Dunwoody  
"The Song of Hope".....Mesdames Ross, Foy Ivey, Snyder and Choir  
"The First Christmas Carol".....Miss Mitchell, Mrs. Foy  
"The Song of the Morning".....Choir  
"To Bethlehem Draw Near".....Mesdames South, Ivey and Choir  
Offertory—"Christmas Fantasy".....Kohlmann  
"Let Heav'n and Nature Sing".....Choir  
"The Lullaby Hymn".....Soloist: Mrs. Ross, Mrs. Foy, Mrs. Ivey  
"The Music of the Bells".....Choir, Soprano obligato: Miss Mitchell  
"The March of the Magi".....Choir  
"Hallelujah".....Choir  
"The Music of Bethlehem".....Choir, Soloist: Miss Wheeler  
Benediction.....Reverend W. B. Hicks  
Postlude—"Hallelujah Chorus".....Handel  
Organ Accompaniment: Mrs. Viva Tucker  
Piano Accompaniment: Mrs. W. O. Wylie, Jr.

## CHOIR PERSONEL

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**GIFTS FOR.**

Callahan county's quota was 225 gifts for Camp Barkeley Hospital. The county gave 420 gifts, Cross Plains, 220; Baird, Clyde, Putnam and Oplin, 200.

Monday these gifts were delivered to the hospital by Mesdames Fred

Cutbirth, Fred Tunnell and Tom Bryant of Cross Plains Mesdames L. L. Blackburn, Gilbert Hinds, J. R. McFarlane and W. P. Brightwell of Baird.

There will be 61 Christmas trees in the hospital, giving gifts to 1800 to 2000 boys.

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December 8, 1887

S. W. ADAMS, Owner and Publisher

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**VALADICTIONARY**

We have sold The Baird Star to Mr. S. W. Adams, of Tyler, closing the sale Saturday, Dec. 11th and Mr. Adams took charge of the plant Monday. Mr. Adams is an experienced newspaper man, also thoroughly familiar with the mechanical department and will give Baird a good weekly paper and we trust he will have the hearty cooperation of the citizens of Baird in every undertaking.

It is with some degree of sadness that we sell The Star, which was established by our father, W. E. Gilliland, Dec. 8, 1887—and has been owned by the Gilliland family for more than half century and to all who have contributed to the support of The Star through the years, we are profoundly grateful. There are many names on the subscription list today who have been there since the first issue.

In years gone by The Star has had many correspondents in the country, one Patsie (R. P. Stephenson of Eula) who has been writing Eula Locals for many years and to him we express sincere thanks for his long years of service. Other old time correspondents are Louis Cook of Putnam who used to write under the name of "Happy Jack" and "Rusty Rube" Sidney Harville of Oplin, who wrote "Deep Creek Jingles" and Mrs. G. H. White, of Baird who wrote the news from Hubbard Creek in years gone by—to them we also express sincere thanks.

To Mr. Adams we extend a most hearty welcome and express the sincere hope that he will never have cause to regret that he bought The Baird Star.

Wishing all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, we are,

Sincerely,  
ELIZA GILLILAND  
HAYNIE GILLILAND

**SALUTATORY**

To the people of Callahan County: In assuming the management of The Baird Star, I can think of no greeting that would meet the situation better than the one appearing in The Baird Star, December 8, 1887; therefore, I am lifting "Uncle Bill's" Salutatory, and printing it below as my own, hoping that the spirit of "Uncle Bill" is hovering proudly nearby and guides my hand as I sign it this time, a little more than fifty-six years later, S. W. Adams, Owner and Publisher of The Baird Star.

"We begin this week, the publication of the BAIRD WEEKLY STAR. We must honestly confess that it is with no small degree of trepidation that we enter the field of journalism. We know full well that we will have many obstacles to overcome, if we make the paper a success. That it requires money and hard unremitting toil to successfully conduct a county newspaper, we are also fully advised by what little experience we have had in the business, heretofore; but if we have the support and encouragement of the people of Baird and Callahan county (and we believe we will) we will do our best to publish a paper that will be no discredit to Callahan county and its people.

"As to the general policy and make-up of the paper we make no promises, but will let the paper speak for itself."

Signed, December 8, 1887—  
W. E. Gilliland;

Signed, December 17, 1943—  
S. W. Adams.

**AFTER 30 YEARS.**

I walked into the office of my first paper, almost 30 years ago, knowing little about what lay before me, with a great deal more confidence than I do today, when I take over the Baird Star.

The lessons I have learned must substitute for the youthful hope that inspired my venture then; and in all that I do and print in your midst will be true to that innerman that has never been sullied.

I am too old to be unmindful of the past.

I am too young to forget the future Standing between the two great eternities, I shall try to hold fast to the verities that have been tried, proven, and never found wanting, and at the same time extend my hand a little further into the unknown.

I shall try never to be the first to embrace the new, nor the last to turn loose the moorings of accomplished ports.

I shall try to be human, understanding, sympathetic, and above all

appreciative of good people and the good things they cling to.

**BEING RECEIVED.**

I have had all but the good old fashioned "pounding."

The affable city secretary, R. L. Elliott Jr., took me in hand, Monday morning, and led me from pleasant receptions to pleasant receptions; and if there was needed the warm welcome of Baird's people to make me feel this is a fertile field for good-fellowship, they abundantly gave it.

When the venerable, the alert, the good Judge Russell, with tears in his eyes because his paper was passing out of the Gilliland's hands, gave me his benedictions, there arose in me that ever-recurring ambition to never disappoint the readers of The Baird Star.

When I had paid Miss Eliza and Mr. Haynie Gilliland for the paper, I said, "You are going to get mighty lonesome after a few weeks. When you do, come back and loaf around until that feeling is eased again." And, that, good readers, goes for you—you and I guarantee success—either alone decrees failure of The Star—it must not fail.

**NOT MUCH NEW.**

No; in the labors of weighing a paper's value, making the purchase, and taking over, mixed with new faces about, whose names slip the mind, the publisher of the Star shamefacedly hands you this, the first paper he had done a little about; but, you just wait—and may you not wait too long!

**OUR SORT OF NEWS.**

No; we don't print everything "fit to print," about Callahan people and their enterprises—it would take many pages each week.

No; we don't print all the shame that creeps upon members of Callahan family—and when you want to challenge our leaving it out, ask yourself this question: "If it had happened to me, would I want it heralded to the community?"

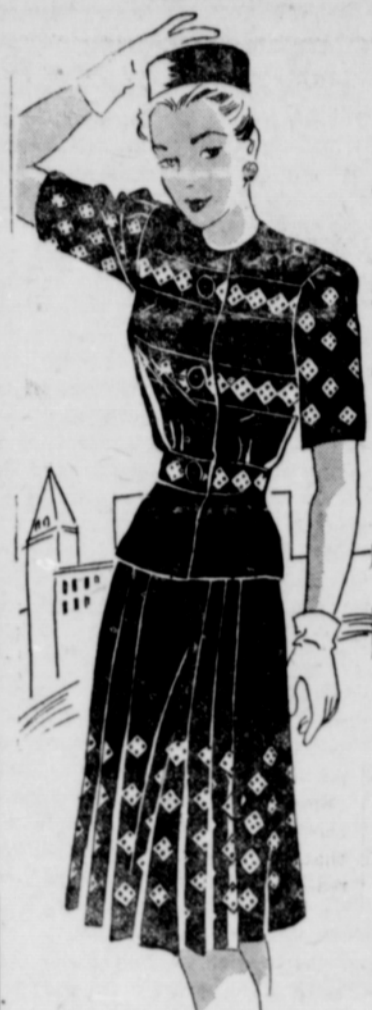
No; we don't leave your name out because we don't care—we leave it out because we don't know about your visit or visitors.

No; we will not get out as good paper as you want—that is humanly impossible—can't do the job as we want it done.

Yes, I lie awake at night wondering how I am going to have the knowledge of your affairs, that wisdom that its treatment shall require, that courage to say "yes" when I ought to say yes, and say "no" when it ought to be no.

Sure; if every Callahanian helps us. The Baird Star is going to hold its head high, prouder of its lineage and its secure place in the community.

**Give The Practical Gift  
Something To Wear**



*New Spring Coats and Suits, black navy and pastel shades. Dresses of all types that can be worn now, and all through the Spring.*

4.98 to 22.98

*Blouses, Skirts . . .  
. . . and Sweaters*

*Robes and House Coats quilted satins, printed rayon crepe, seersucker and chintz*

2.98 to 12.98

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BORDER BEAUTY

By  
**GEORGIANA**

For dash and duty here's a two-piecer that has just everything! Linen-like spun rayon . . . washable, wearable the year round in brown, black, red or blue . . . and just

*Smocks and Brunch Coats, spuns, prints and seersucker*

1.98 to 2.98

Size 12 to 20 \$8.95

**GRAY'S STYLE SHOP**

**FREE · TURKEYS · FREE**

**2 HENS AND 1 GOBLER**

Given Away From Stage of

**PLAZA THEATRE**

BAIRD, TEXAS

Tuesday Night, 9 p. m., Dec. 21

Courtesy of

**WILL D. BOYDSTUN**

**Gifts**

This year, more than ever . . .

**Do Your Christmas Shopping Early**

We are receiving our Holiday Merchandise now and although we will have a nice assortment of Gifts for Everyone, they will not be so plentiful as, formerly, make your selection early and avoid disappointment.

A small deposit will hold your selection for you.

- Pottery Vases
- Glassware
- Coffee Makers
- Lamps
- Stationery
- Dresser Sets
- Comb and Brush Sets
- Toilet Goods Sets
- Perfumes
- Compacts
- Cigarette Cases
- Chinaware
- Rugs
- Boy's Wagons
- Fountain Pens and Sets
- Games
- Bridge Cards
- Smoker Sets
- Picture Frames
- Mirrors
- Bill Folds
- Shaving Sets
- Utility Bags
- Bibles and Testaments
- Manicure Sets

**RAMSEY'S VARIETY STORE**

**1000 WAYS TO HAVE AND  
MAKE A MERRY XMAS**

Our Store Is Stocked With New Christmas Merchandise



Items Now On Hand Cannot Be Replaced

Prices To Meet Your Requirement

A Gift For Every Member Of The Family

- Cara Nome Perfume
- Comb and Brush Sets
- Powder Boxes
- Musical Powder Box
- Box Candy
- Xmas Stationery
- Perfume Sets
- Combs, Brushes
- Watches
- Cosmetic Bags
- Luggage
- Compacts
- Toilet Water
- Fine Soaps
- Glassware
- Bath Salts
- Pipes
- Pound Tobacco
- Desk Cigarette Lighters
- Shaving Sets
- Yardley Shave Lotion
- Candy
- Carton Cigarettes
- Comb and Brush Sets
- Military Items
- Shield Bibles
- Holy Bibles
- Scrap Books
- Bill Folds
- Leather Picture Case
- Games
- Poker Chip Racks

Christmas Decorations And Christmas Cards

Christmas Tree Lights

Christmas Seals And Tags

Christmas Sets From \$1.00 to \$15.00

**DO YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING EARLY**

**CITY PHARMACY**

*Wishing You and Yours A Merry Christmas*

**THE WORLD'S BEST BUY-- UNITED STATES WAR BONDS.**  
**Its Your Chance to give a PRESENT WITH A FUTURE**  
**THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BAIRD, BAIRD, TEXAS**

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**MAKE YOUR APPOINTMENT NOW**

**For That Christmas Permanent**

Our expert operators can't do the inhuman—they must have time to give you that

**Curtis Permanent Wave**

We have featured so long, and so pleasingly, we hope to our customers.

**MODERN BEAUTY SHOP**  
 Manche Estes, Manager.

**SHERIFF'S SALE**

The State of Texas, County of Callahan. By Virtue Of An Order Of Sale issued by order of a judgment decree of the 42nd District Court of Callahan County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court, on the 19 day of November A. D., 1943, in a certain suit No. 106, wherein the State of Texas for itself, and in behalf of Callahan County, and for the use and benefit of all political subdivisions whose taxes are assessed and collected by the Tax Assessor and Collector of said County, as Plaintiff and the City of Baird, a municipal corporation, as Intervener, and M. L. Vaughn as Defendant in favor of the

said Plaintiff, for the sum of Four hundred forty and 25-100 (\$440.25) Dollars, together with interest thereon at the rate of 6% per annum from November 19, 1943, and in favor of said Intervener, for the sum of Two hundred twenty-five and 14-100 (\$225.14) Dollars, together with interest thereon at the rate of 6% per annum from November 19, 1943, for delinquent state and county ad valorem, and city taxes together with the legal and total amount of penalties, interest, and costs of suit computed thereon, and the foreclosure of Plaintiff's delinquent tax liens upon the property hereinafter described as the property of the defendant because of the non-payment of the taxes due thereon, within the time and in the manner provided for by law, same being the amounts of said judgment rendered in favor of said Plaintiff, State of Texas, for itself, and in the capacity herein set out, and said Intervener, City of Baird, by the said 42nd District Court of Callahan County, on the 19 day of November, A. D. 1943, and to me directed and delivered as sheriff of said Callahan County, I have seized levied upon, and will, on the first Tuesday in January A. D. 1944, the same being the 4th day of said month, at the Court House door of said Callahan County, in the City of Baird between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M., and 4 o'clock P. M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder, all the right, title and interest of said defendant in and to the following described real estate, levied upon as the property of said defendant, the same lying and being situated in the County of Callahan, and State of Texas, and within the metes and bounds and territorial limits of said City of Baird, to-wit:

**FIRST TRACT:**  
 Being Lots 9, 10, and 11, Block 8, Railroad Addition to the town of Baird, Callahan County Texas, and being the same property described in a deed recorded in Volume 153, page 549, Deed Records of Callahan County, Texas dated September 14, 1937, to which reference is here made for any and all purposes. That the above described lots were rendered as one tract of land by the said Defendant.

**SECOND TRACT:**  
 Being the South 1-3 of Lot 2, and all of Lot 3, Block 67, Railroad Addition to the Town of Baird, Callahan County, Texas, and being the same property described in a deed to M. L. Vaughn from Moline Vaughn dated September 14, 1937, and recorded in Volume 153, page 549, Deed Records of Callahan County, Texas, to which reference is here made for any and all purposes. Subject, however to the rights of the Defendant, his heirs, assigns, or legal representatives, to redeem said property within the time and in the manner provided for by law; subject to the further rights of the Defendant to have said property divided and sold in loss divisions than the whole and entire tract, as also provided for by law; and in the event there are no bidders, said property will at said sale be bid off to the said State of Texas, for itself, and in the capacity herein set out, and in trust for the City of Baird.

B. O. Brame,  
 Sheriff, Callahan County, Texas.  
 2-3t.

**ALBERT JONES.**

Son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Jones, early residents of Baird died at the age of 58 in Tucumcari, N. M. Friday, Dec. 10th. Mr. Jones is survived by the following brothers and sisters: J. W. Jones Oklahoma; Roy and Dave Jones, Big Spring; Ollie Jones, Arizona; Henry Jones, California; Mrs. Oscar Williams. Mrs. Alice Luce, Mrs. Edna Phillips, Mrs. Harry Snoddy. Funeral services were held at Tucumcari Wednesday afternoon and burial made there.

**TURKEY TURKEY!**

Will D. Boydston reports that he bought 400 turkeys, Tuesday, which lifted this season's purchases of turkeys to approximately 4,000 birds, which have brought the growers bet-

ter than \$16,000. The long and severe drought, coupled with diseases, made the tur-

key crop very low. Mr. Boydston bought over 12,000 last year, which is three times this year's purchases.

**FOOD HAS ITS PLACE, TOO**

Food is the king of cheer builders among men. You should do your Christmas Shopping early; Especially if you plan a hen—or turkey-dinner.



We have a complete line of nuts, fruits, candies, and our supply of Dates is excellent.

Come in and let us help you plan your Christmas dinner now, that you may not run short on necessary items.

**NORVELL AND BOYD GROCERY**

**Christmas Gifts For All**

For pa, ma, and the entire family. Give something that is worthwhile, and buy it here, where you will find a beautiful line to select from—

*You Know We Are Always Right on Prices*

Don't fail to give us that order for your

**CHRISTMAS TURKEY**



Hundreds of fine birds to supply your wants.

Below we list a few items you will find here:

**LADIES'**

**MEN'S**

Slips  
 Panties  
 Gowns  
 Coats  
 Dresses

Hats  
 Shoes  
 Sox  
 Ties  
 Gloves

- 1 Roll Cotton ..... \$1.00
- 1 Man's Hat ..... 1.00
- 5 Boxes Kotex ..... 1.00
- 2 1-2 Yds. Pillow Tubing ..... 1.00
- 4 Yds. Hope Domestic ..... 1.00

Visit with us while in town. We like for our friends to make our store their headquarters.

**WILL D. BOYDSTUN**

**ATTENTION . . .**  
**YOUR Plaza Theatres**  
**XMAS Gift to All Kiddies and School Children---FREE MATINEE**  
**Friday, December 24th, 2 P. M.**

We suggest you send your kiddies to the Plaza Theatre as our guests, while doing your last minute shopping.

POP'S LEE, Manager.

**CHRISTMAS CARDS**

With name printed while you wait

4c to 25c

**Cleaning Tissues**

10c 15c 17c 33c

**Bus Depot Western Union**

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**HOLMES DRUG COMPANY**

**Baird Phone 11 Texas**

**HELP WANTED  
UNUSUAL OPPORTUNITY**  
Old, established firm, doing state-wide business needs:

1—Floor leader for retail sales department (will consider man or mature woman not over forty with at least high school education.)

1—Clerical worker for accounting department, should be fast and accurate at simple mathematical calculations. Ability to type desirable, but not essential. Preference will be given to young woman with not less than high school education.  
1—Mature woman, between 25 and 35 who is good typist, has at least high school education and can supervise work of 4 to 5 other typists be given to those having college education or teaching experience.  
4—Typists, must be accurate and fast. No shorthand required. Minimum education: High school graduate, preferably some college work. Opportunity for advancement.

Firm needing the above workers is pleasantly located in Medium-sized city that is an educational and cultural center.

No application will be considered from a person now working in a defense industry or in an industry classified as essential.

Apply in writing to Box 1057 The Baird Star, Baird, Texas.

**TAX PAYMENT EXCELLENT.**

Mrs. T. W. Briscoe, the lady with the gift of pressing tax-collections painlessly, reports that tax payments are well ahead of other years; that 720 citizens have paid their poll taxes.

That reminds me; your are motivated by a poor spirit of democracy if you pay your poll tax so that you "can vote," but you are proving yourself a right-type of citizen when you pay your poll taxes willingly, as your rightful contribution to the costs of government.

**FARM SELLS.**

The Russell Abstract Company reports preparing abstract on Lige Harris farm, 82 acres in section 77. It is 3-4 miles south of highway 80, nearer Clyde than Baird. Mr. Harris, a Merkel citizen, sold the property

to E. L. Palmer, who plans to make it his home.

**THE WEDNESDAY CLUB**

Met at Mrs. Rupert Jackson's in its Christmas program, Dec. 16th.

Christmas quotations were given in roll call. Mrs. Brightwell gave musical selections. Mrs. Fetterly spoke on the Bible, followed by a Christmas story by Mrs. Bessie Short.

Gifts were exchanged during the social hour, around the Christmas tree, and 13 members completed a delightful meeting with refreshments.

**Lemon Juice Recipe Checks Rheumatic Pain Quickly**

If you suffer from rheumatic, arthritic or neuritis pain, try this simple inexpensive home recipe that thousands are using. Get a package of Ru-Ex Compound today. Mix it with a quart of water, add the juice of 4 lemons. It's easy. Pleasant and no trouble at all. You need only 2 table-spoonfuls two times a day. Often within 48 hours — sometimes overnight — splendid results are obtained. If the pains do not quickly leave and if you do not feel better, Ru-Ex will cost you nothing to try as it is sold by your druggist under an absolute money-back guarantee. Ru-Ex Compound is for sale and recommended by

CITY PHARMACY

**FLOWERS FOR ALL OCCASIONS**

**THE GIFT THAT PLEASURES.**

Flowers speak to the gayest and the saddest hearts the sweetest sympathy. Give her the wreath for Christmas—either natural or artificial wreaths at our shop, please.

Early orders guarantee that you will not miss yours.

**KELTON'S FLOWER SHOP**

Phone 93 Baird, Texas.

**"Leto" Relieves "Gum" Discomfort**

You can not look, nor expect to feel your best with irritated "GUMS" — Druggists refund money if "LETO'S" fails to satisfy.

CITY PHARMACY

**QUICK RELIEF FROM Symptoms of Distress Arising from STOMACH ULCERS DUE TO EXCESS ACID**

Free Book Tells of Home Treatment that Must Help or it Will Cost You Nothing Over two million bottles of the WILLARD TREATMENT have been sold for relief of symptoms of distress arising from Stomach and Duodenal Ulcers due to Excess Acid— Poor Digestion, Sour or Upset Stomach, Gasiness, Heartburn, Sleeplessness, etc., due to Excess Acid. Sold on 15 days' trial. Ask for "Willard's Message" which fully explains the treatment. — at HOLMES DRUG COMPANY.

**BRONCHIAL COUGHS**

Bronchial Irritations Due to Colds Needn't Worry You

Pour yourself a teaspoon of Buckley's CANADIOL Mixture—let it lie on your tongue a moment then swallow slowly. Feel its quick powerful effective action spread through throat, head and bronchial tubes. Acts like a finish. Right away it starts to loosen thick, choking phlegm and open up clogged bronchial tubes. Over 12 million bottles sold in cold wintry Canada. A single slip will tell you why. Spend 45 cents today at any good drug store for a bottle of Buckley's CANADIOL Mixture.

CITY PHARMACY  
HOLMES DRUG COMPANY

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ATTORNEY-AT-LAW  
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Phone 2-2066  
DALLAS, TEXAS

**L. L. BLACKBURN**  
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ATTORNEY-AT-LAW  
General Civil Practice  
Fire and Auto Insurance  
BAIRD, TEXAS

**DR. V. E. HILL**  
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Morning, Evening and Sunday  
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**Leon Daniell**  
Phone, 227  
BAIRD, TEXAS

Make it unthinkable for you not to

**Buy War Bonds**

Even necessities should be foregone that our money may shorten our boys' stay in enemy and alien countries.

**Bowlus Hardware and Furniture Store**

As an indication of what good Christmas Gifts are in store for you at our store, we list just FIVE ITEMS:—

*Spring Shoes*

*Beautiful Rayon Hose*

*Pleasing Neckties*

*Ladies Slips*

*Large Stock of Army Work Clothes.*

We seek to anticipate your wants at all times, and have striven to make good on this Christmas demands.

**JONES DRY GOODS COMPANY**

**LOYALTY TO OUR GOVERNMENT'S**

Effort to meet the enormous war demands and at the same time leave ample food for our home front, we urge you to make ham, pork and hens your basic Christmas meat.

The Government urges you to make your purchases out of non-point goods as far as possible, goods low in point requirements.



Our meats and fruits and staple groceries match the best, and we urge you to come early and let us help you plan the best Christmas menu with least point and cash costs.

Complete line of nuts, candies, fruits, and other available groceries.

**BRASHEAR FOOD STORE**

Red and White Food Store

**NOTICE TO FARMERS AND RANCHERS**

Your Government urges you to cooperate in the Grease and Fat Salvage Drive by turning in your dead stock. These animals contain Glycerine, which is Valuable in Making Explosives.

**THE CENTRAL RENDERING CO.**

will pick them up free of charge.  
Call Collect..4001 or 6513  
Sundays and Holidays call 6513

Abilene, Texas P. O. Box 432

50-12tp.

**Want Ads**

Have you noticed that our Feeds are growing in popularity everyday. Ask your neighbor what he thinks about our Feeds. Do as he is doing—get more Eggs, Milk and raise better Meat by using our First Quality Feeds. Come in and let us show you our Feeds. We try our best to please you.

MORGAN'S FEED STORE  
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MEN AND WOMEN to supply foods, vitamins and other essential products to consumers. Full or part time. Write at once. Rawleigh's, Dept. TXL-33-183, Memphis, Tenn. 31-p.

**SALEMAN WANTED**

IF YOU ARE AMBITIONS you can make good money with a Rawleigh Route. We help you get started. No experience needed to start. Steady work. White Rawleigh's Dept. TXL-38-2, Memphis, Tenn. 2-1t.

FOR SALE—Very choice Holstein, Guernsey and Ayshire heifers \$25 each and up. Shipped C. O. D. if desired. Bull free with 5 heifers.

Homestead Farms,  
McGraw, N. Y. 1-5t.

"BARGAINS"—in Farms, Ranches, City Property. 30 years of knowing how helps us find the buyer for you or the property you want. List yours. Shanks Land Office, 809 Oak, Abilene, Texas. 1-2tp

**POULTRY RAISERS**

Now is the time to condition your flock for Winter laying—feed them Quick-Red Poultry Tonic. It eliminates all blood sucking parasites. It is a good wormer and one of the best conditioners on the market. Sold and guaranteed by all drug and feed stores. 51-8tp.

**GIFT GOODS**

I have a nice selection of embroidered Luncheon Sets, Dresser Sets, Scarfs, Towels, Aprons and numerous other articles in embroidery and crochet. Also crocheted and braided rugs. These make nice gifts. I will be glad to have you look over by display at my home in east Baird.

Jeffe Lambert.

WANT TO BUY 1/2 to 1 Section or more of land with small amount in cultivation. Write me full description and price and I will look it over. Geo. W. Parker, Box 1398, Abilene, Texas. 52-3tp.

PECAN TREES Big Enough to Bear Papershells acclimated. A grove of papershells means good income. Visit us for pecan trees, fruit trees. Fat Hogs, Fine Pigs Cheap.

Shanks Nurseries and Hog Farm  
1-2 mi, North of Clyde, Texas. 1-2tp.

The spirit of Christmas cheer breaks through the lowering clouds of war, and impels us to say:

"Thank you, for your splendid patronage during this eventful year."

**MODERN SHOE SHOP**

**MAYFIELD'S GIFT SUGGESTIONS**

For The Family

- |               |                |
|---------------|----------------|
| <b>MEN—</b>   | <b>LADIES—</b> |
| Shirts        | Dresses        |
| Ties          | Sweaters       |
| Socks         | Hose           |
| Handkerchiefs | Slips          |
| Sweaters      | Robes          |
| Hats          | Suits          |
| Scarfs        | Skirts         |
| Gift Sets     | Blouses        |
| Underwear     | Purses         |

**Rugs—Towels—Pillow Cases**

Let us help you with your Gift Problems—We'll be glad to show you.

**PLACE YOUR ORDER NOW**

FOR TURKEY



We have a nice fat T U R K E Y for you, Dressed or on Foot.

We also will have plenty of

**GOOD FAT HENS**

Come early, avoid the rush; be sure to get your bird now.

**MORGAN FOOD STORE**