

The Baird Star

"Over 1750 Producing Wells
in Callahan County"

"On The
Broadway of America"

Our Motto—"Tis Neither Birth, Nor Wealth, Nor State, But the Get-Up-and-Get That Makes Men Great."

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Facts Pertaining to The Million Dollar Road Bond Issue

Before making any decision as to how you will vote in the coming election, to be held January 3rd, 1931, read the following information carefully. UNDERSTAND the proposed issue in order that you may cast an intelligent vote.

Whether you are FOR or AGAINST the proposition, is your privilege and the purpose of this article is to give you as much information as possible upon the proposed bond issue.

Proponents of this proposition have no intention of keeping anything under cover but desire that each and every voter in Callahan County be thoroughly informed before they cast their votes.

The citizens supporting this movement sincerely believe that it is the logical thing to do at this time and are supporting same after they have studied it from all angles. They have no desire or intention of unjustly or unwisely influencing a single voter.

Read and study this information and after you understand the proposed plan and just what it means to the citizens of the county at this particular time, vote FOR or AGAINST the issue as your conscience dictates.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT PETITIONED

On December 3rd, 1930, the Commissioners' Court of Callahan County at a call meeting was presented with petitions bearing the names of 281 represented legal voters. The petition was as follows:

We, the undersigned, resident, property tax-payers of Callahan County, Texas, respectfully, pray this Honorable Court to order an election in said County to determine the following propositions:

Whether or not the bonds of said County shall be issued in the sum of One Million (\$1,000,000.00) Dollars for the purchase of District Roads and the further construction and maintenance and operation of Macadamized, graveled or paved roads and turnpikes, or in aid thereof, through such County as follows:

FIRST—Bonds to be issued in the aggregate sum of Two Hundred Ninety Thousand Two Hundred Eleven and 13-100 (\$290,211.13) Dollars for the purpose of the purchase of district roads in said County, and which bonds shall have the same dates of maturity and bear the same rate of interest as the bonds heretofore issued and now outstanding against

Road Districts Number One (1) and Four (4) of said County.

SECOND—Bonds to be issued in the aggregate sum of Seven Hundred Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Eight and 87-100 (\$709,788.87) Dollars for the further construction, maintenance and operation of Macadamized, graveled or paved roads and turnpikes, or in aid thereof, throughout such County, and which bonds may run for a term not to exceed thirty years from their date, and bear interest at the rate of not to exceed five and one-half per centum per annum.

We, further pray your honorable court that at said election there shall also be submitted to the resident property tax-paying voters of said County, the question as to whether or not an ad valorem tax shall be levied upon the property in said County subject to taxation for the purpose of paying the interest on said bonds and to provide a sinking fund for the redemption thereof at maturity.

After examining the petitions it was ordered that an election be held on January 3rd, 1931, and proper notices were posted as required by law and copies furnished the newspaper for the required publication.

WHAT THE PROPOSED BOND ISSUE MEANS

If the election is carried by two-thirds majority:

\$1,000,000.00 Road Bonds will be issued

Term of Bonds to run, not to exceed thirty years.

Rate of interest, not to exceed 5 1/2 %.

Money to be used as follows:

\$290,211.13 for the purpose of taking up present outstanding Road Bonds in Road Districts No.1 and No.4.

\$350,000.00 to be put in escrow to apply on the construction of a State designated hard surfaced highway from Cross Plains to Baird. The State of Texas through the Highway Commission to match with like amount and complete said highway without additional financial aid from the County.

\$359,788.87 to be used for the purpose of building lateral roads throughout the County. This money will be divided equally between the four Commissioners' Precincts, and the money in each precinct will be used in constructing lateral roads under the supervision of Commissioner and the work will be done by local labor only.

The lateral road money will be deposited in the different banks of the County and each Commissioners' Precinct will receive approximately \$90,000.00 to be used for lateral roads in that particular precinct.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Read These Questions and Answers Carefully

QUESTION—What is the purpose of this Bond issue?

ANSWER—To build a system of lateral roads throughout the County. A system that will serve practically every community and which will tie in with still better roads giving connections with the county seat and State and Federal Highways.

To build a hard surface State designated highway through the county which will run from Cross Plains to Baird and will connect at Cross Plains with other State designated highways thereby giving this section of the county a connection with our State Capitol and Southern Texas. To take up the outstanding bonds now issued on Road Districts No.1 and No.4.

Q.—Why are the Bonds in District No.1 and No.4 being taken up?

A.—The bonds in Districts No.1 and No.4 will be retired, due to the fact that a County-wide Bond issue cannot be voted on districts already bonded unless the outstanding bonds are taken up.

The \$290,211.13 to be used for the retiring of outstanding bonds, is the amount unpaid on \$400,000.00 Bonds voted in the past. (\$300,000.00 in two issues originally voted in Road District No.1 and \$100,000.00 Bonds voted in Road District No.4)

Q.—How much money will be available for lateral roads?

A.—\$359,788.87 and such other amounts as may be realized by premiums from the ready sale of the bonds.

Q.—How is the money to be expended for lateral roads?

A.—This money is to be divided in four equal parts, each Commissioners Precinct to receive one-fourth of said amount or in round numbers approximately \$90,000.00 to be more definite \$89,947.21. The money will be spent in each separate commissioners precinct by the commissioner on roads agreed upon by he and the citizens of said precinct.

Q.—Will County labor be used on lateral roads exclusively?

A.—Yes, and at a minimum wage

of 30c per hour for common labor. This question was settled by the Commissioners Court by their order that nothing but residents of Callahan County will be employed.

Q.—How soon will money be available for local labor?

A.—As soon as bonds are voted and approved. Work can be started on lateral roads by Feb. 1st., or perhaps earlier.

Q.—Where will this money be placed for distribution?

A.—The money will be deposited in local county banks.

The Clyde banks will get approximately \$90,000.00 in deposits.

The Cross Plains banks will get approximately \$90,000.00 in deposits.

The Putnam bank will get approximately \$90,000.00 in deposits.

The Baird banks will get approximately \$90,000.00 in deposits.

Q.—When will taxes on this issue be payable?

A.—On or before January 31, 1932.

Q.—Who can vote in the coming election?

A.—Any citizen of Callahan County who owns property, either real estate or personal property and who holds a 1929 poll tax receipt, or a property owner who is lawfully exempt from paying poll tax.

Due to the fact the election comes after the first of the year some were of the impression that only those who would have paid their 1930 poll tax by that time would be allowed to vote. That is a mistaken idea as you will vote on your 1929 poll tax as same is valid until January 31, 1931.

Q.—How much tax will be required to pay million dollar issue?

A.—Seventy cents tax is all required. Expert accountants, who are not interested in Callahan County have advised that a tax of 70c per \$100.00 based on 1930 renditions, will take care of interest and pay off the bonds within thirty years.

Q.—How will the citizens of this County benefit from an employment standpoint in the construction of the hard surfaced highway from Cross Plains to Baird?

A.—The State Highway Commission is putting into all of their contracts a provision that contractors must use local labor in building state roads, as far as practical. They are anxious to aid counties in relieving their unemployment situations and are co-operating along this line in

every way possible. This particular road alone should make available a vast sum of money for the employment of citizens of our county.

CALLAHAN COUNTY BANKERS ENDORSE THE MILLION DOL LAR ROAD BOND

At its last quarterly meeting, held at Baird, Dec. 9th, The Callahan County Bankers' Association went on record as favoring the bond issue. They realize that \$359,000.00 deposited in Callahan County at this time will be one of the greatest aids for the citizens in general that could be obtained.

WHO WILL BENEFIT IF THE BOND ISSUE ELECTION IS FAVORABLE?

FIRST—The main state highway will bring through our county thousands of people from the South-eastern part of the state and the North and North-west part. A progressive county with goods roads will appeal to many people who are seeking new locations, and are prospective settlers, and will enhance the value of lands in every part of the county. A state highway passing through the county will add value to farms remote from the highway, just as all land in Callahan County is of more value by reason of a railroad running through the county than it would be without a railroad. Desirable settlers will not stop in a backward county that does not have good roads.

SECOND—The Commissioners Court has passed a resolution that they will employ only local labor, on lateral roads. The Highway Commission is putting in all of their contracts a provision that contractors must use local labor in building state roads as far as practical. The \$359,788.87 that will be spent directly by the County Commissioners in addition to the thousands of dollars that will be spent for labor on the highway will be sufficient to give employment to every man in Callahan County who desires to work. The average man will be able to earn enough in a short time to pay the additional tax on his property for several years. There are hundreds of men who need work and are anxious for employment.

These roads will not only give employment to all who are idle, but when the work is over the county will have the roads and be relieved of a

great deal of the present cost of maintenance.

THIRD—Not only will the roads give employment to the idle and take care of the distress that prevails in many communities and enable those people who have made no crops to provide their families with a living, but it will enable them to pay the merchants who have carried them during the past year and to finance themselves in making another crop. The merchants, especially in the smaller places will be able to collect many debts that the people could not pay otherwise. Those who are in need of the employment will benefit by the roads. The merchants and others who have accounts outstanding will benefit by being able to collect from those who have employment and will thus be enabled to pay. Those who travel the roads will benefit because of the lessened expense of operating their cars. The county as a whole will benefit because there will be no excuse for unemployment and the county and communities will not be called upon to take care of those who must have aid.

ANOTHER THING

What Will Be The Respective Conditions Of The Counties That Have And Those That Do Not Have State Highways If The State Takes Over All Highways In Texas

It is almost certain that within one to three years that the State will take over all highways and pay back to the counties the outstanding bonds voted for those roads. In that event the counties that have voted bonds will be paid back what they owe on the bonds and they will have the roads. If bonds are not voted and the State takes over the roads then those counties which do not have highway will have no means of influencing roads for their counties, but future roads will be built purely to suit the wishes of the Highway Commission. As so many counties have road bonds outstanding it is almost certain that the demand for the State to take over the roads and pay the counties for them, will be great enough to bring about this event. If we fail to build the roads now we may never be able to get them, while if we build them now there is reason to believe that the money we put in the highways will soon be paid back and we will still have the roads.

LET THERE BE NO EMPTY STOCK- INGS IN BAIRD

Let there be no empty stocking in Baird on Christmas morning—let no wistful little girl or boy look sadly into an empty stocking on Christmas morning and wonder why Santa Claus forgot them.

The Goodfellows Club is soliciting funds for the purpose of giving aid to the needy of our city and the Leaders Class of the Methodist church and perhaps other church organizations, are soliciting toys for the children whose parents are unable to buy for them.

Funds for the Goodfellows Club are to come from the pockets of the people of the city and all are urged to contribute as liberally as possible so that none will go without some of the good things of Christmas.

Persons knowing of needy families who need help are asked to call them to the attention of the Goodfellows Club and the Leaders Class of the Methodist Sunday School.

CITY CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

Many evidences of the Christmas holiday season are in view in Baird. Main Street is beautifully lighted and the stores windows are laden with Christmas goods. Let's all cooperate in making this a cheerful Christmas tide, and forget all the ills and misfortunes of the past.

Railway Employee's Public Relationship Meeting

Upon the call an employes committee composed of Mr. W. P. Haley, W. A. Fetterley, M. F. Blount, and J. R. McGowan, a meeting was held in the District Court Room of the Callahan County Court House, Baird, 7:30 P. M., December 11th, 1930. In addition to practically every employe available in Baird and vicinity there were a number of representative citizens present, a total count being 106.

Meeting was called to order by chairman pro tem W. A. Fetterley by which several musical selections were rendered by the talented children of Dr. and Mrs. V. E. Hill. Following this, chairman Fetterley outlined the purpose of the meeting calling upon Mr. Lence, of Abilene, who responded by giving some facts and figures relative to decreased earnings of the railroads due to unfair bus and truck competition resulting in drastic reduction of forces and unemployment among railroad workers. Short talks were made by other railroad workers in which they voiced protest of the unfair competition calling upon law makers of the State to lend their best efforts towards remedying the situation, pointing out that they themselves had done all possible in the solicitation of business but due to the unfair competition were unable to accomplish much, and that beyond any question of doubt relief must be afforded in the form of laws governing the operation of bus and trucks just as they do the railroad.

It was decided to make the organization a permanent one and the following officers were elected: W. A. Fetterley, Pres.; W. P. Haley, 1st. Vice-Pres.; M. F. Blount, 2nd. Vice-Pres.

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Lone Star Gas Co. Spend Two Million Dollars On Improvement

We call the attention of our readers to the advertisement of the Lone Star Gas Co. in this issue. This Company has spent two million dollars in improving their system the past summer. The work beginning in the early spring and being completed only a few weeks ago.

This construction work included the building of a large compressor station at Brad 25 miles west of Mineral Wells. This involved also the building of a 20,000,000 gallon lake at this place, the water to be used in cooling the big compressor engines.

A 1760 foot suspension bridge was built over the Red River to carry the pipe line from the Oklahoma fields. Compressor stations were also built at Joshua and X-Ray.

Many miles of new pipe line has been added to the network of pipe lines of the Company's system, which now contains 3700 miles of pipe.

During the summer 65 wells were drilled to add to the more than 1,000 wells the Lone Star Gas Company already operates in 31 fields.

In this mammoth two million dollar summer construction program the company gave employment to hundreds of men and hundreds of dollars were paid in wages.

The Lone Star Gas Company has served this section for a number of years and a number of gas wells in this section are connected with the lines here.

The last report from the government issued on Dec. 1st, gives the number of bales ginned in the county, as 3409 bales. The number of bales on the same day 1929, was 6482 bales.

Many Attend Meeting of Masonic Lodge on Fiftieth Anniversary

A large number of the members of the Baird Lodge and visitors attended the meeting of the Lodge held on Monday night, Dec. 15th, the occasion being the fiftieth anniversary of the granting of the Charter to the lodge, which was organized at Belle Plaine and later moved to Baird.

J. Brice Jones, Worshipful Master, presided at the meeting at which time the Masters degree was conferred upon a candidate by Mr. C. T. Clay, a member of the Big Spring Lodge, assisted by other visiting members.

Judge B. L. Russell gave a brief history of the Baird Lodge, from the date of organization to the present time. Short talks were made by other visitors, one of the most interesting being by Mr. R. J. Harris, of Admiral, who is one of the two Charter members forty-three in number, whose names are recorded as charter members, now living, and the only living man of the twenty who signed the petition to the Grand Lodge, asking for the organization of the lodge. W. A. McLaury, the other charter member, who lives at Moran, was not present.

Letters of greetings from members living in other places were received from P. P. Shepherd, of Cisco; A. W. Sargent, of Fort Wayne, Ind.; E. H. Horgensby, of Fort Worth and W. R. Ely, of Abilene.

John Castles, of Abilene, a member of the local lodge, was among the large number present.

Visitors present were: J. W. Bailey, J. H. Bailey, A. E. Young and L. H. Tyler, of Clyde; C. T. Clay, of Big Spring; B. F. Russell, F. L. Armstrong, L. A. Williams, J. A. Hill.

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Thousands See Santa Claus At Abilene Last Saturday

A large crowd of Bairdites went to Abilene last Saturday afternoon to greet Santa Claus who appeared in a big parade.

The big parade started promptly at 2:30. The length of the parade was one and one-half miles. It was a splendid parade and Abilene is to be complimented on the splendid showing made, and much credit is due the Reporter-News and the Chamber of Commerce, who brought this big event to Abilene.

It is estimated that some 35,000 visitors were present on this occasion.

Car Wrecked In Effort To Avoid Collision With Mule

County Judge W. C. White, of Baird, Fred Heyser, of Putnam and H. B. Freeland, of Cottonwood had a narrow escape from a serious accident while enroute to Abilene, Mr. Freeland was driving the car and when just beyond Elmdale, he turned out to avoid hitting a mule which was on the highway and in turning back on the highway the car struck a bridge tearing the door off, throwing Judge White and Mr. Heyser out of the car onto the highway. They were somewhat bruised but no serious injuries.

COLD WEATHER THIS WEEK

The first real cold weather of the season, came Tuesday and the thermometer registered around 30 degrees. It was cloudy all day Tuesday with misting rain at times.

HELP THE GOOD- FELLOWS HELP THE NEEDY

THE GOODFELLOWS CLUB, of Baird, Texas, is in reality a local COMMUNITY CHEST, or a central committee representing the combined charities of our community. It has the endorsement of every organization in Baird interested in welfare work. It can function only by funds raised by liberal people of Baird who believe in a central organized charity. Every cent collected will be spent for the relief of human suffering in our community, and will be spent after examination by the members of the Club. The Goodfellows Club will be glad to have cash contributions and will accept clothing and food. The committees of the Club will make an intensive drive to raise sufficient funds to carry on the work through the coldest weather and until conditions improve. It is not a temporary organization for the purpose of spreading cheer at Christmas time, but to RELIEVE HUMAN SUFFERING IN THIS COMMUNITY. For that reason only necessities can be provided by the Club and these only to the extent that our people who can do so, support the organization.

The following named individuals and organizations have made voluntary contributions to the Good Fellows Club:

T. E. Powell, Delphine Chapter, Mrs. W. I. Capps, Wednesday Club, S. I. Smith, Baptist Missionary Society.

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PUTNAM

Mr. J. S. Yeager

(This interesting letter was unavoidably left out last week—Editor)

Walter Holley, of Cross Plains, was a visitor in Putnam Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Smith, have returned from Dallas and will make Putnam their future home.

T. J. Lohden, of Throckmorton, has opened up the Mathews Barber Shop where he will be glad to meet his old friends.

Mrs. J. D. Jones, of Merkel, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Ruth Isenhower and family and will remain for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hudson and Mrs. V. M. Teague made a trip to Cisco Tuesday.

Mrs. E. P. Whitaker was a visitor in Abilene Wednesday.

Mrs. O. L. Adams and son, O. L. Jr. of Abilene, are visiting her uncle, Claude King and family here this week.

Gilbert Jernegan and Willis Benedict, of Baird, were Putnam visitors Saturday.

E. B. Brown and Billy Henry, of Baird, were visitors in Putnam Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Pearce and Mrs. M. M. Pearce and daughter, Ethel, of Cross Plains, were the week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Clover.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Young and children, of Cross Plains, visited in the home of Mrs. Young's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Hamilton, here this week.

E. J. Kostris and Mrs. Ruth Isenhower were visitors in Eastland Sunday.

W. M. Crosby returned Sunday night from a week-end visit in Dallas.

Joe Burnam, of Clyde, was transacting business in Putnam Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cunningham were visitors in Abilene Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Yeager and son, Claude, were visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Yeager, from the Bluff Branch community.

Everett Williams was transacting business in Abilene Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Francisco and son, Reed, of Cross Plains spent a few days in Putnam this week guests of Mrs. W. E. Pruet.

W. P. Yarbrough, of Albany, former resident of his place, was a visitor here Wednesday.

Mrs. J. A. Clements, of Cisco, spent Thursday in Putnam the guest of Mrs. F. P. Shackelford.

Mrs. John Cook visited relatives in Abilene the last of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Weed and family, of the Mart community, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Claude King and family here Sunday.

Rev. J. E. Black transacted business in Abilene on Monday of this week.

Misses Willie Morris King and Lois Maynard were guests of Miss Loreta Dennis, of the Zion Hill community through the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Whitaker returned Monday from a visit with relatives in Rising Star.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Nurdyke and children were guests of relatives at Cottonwood Sunday.

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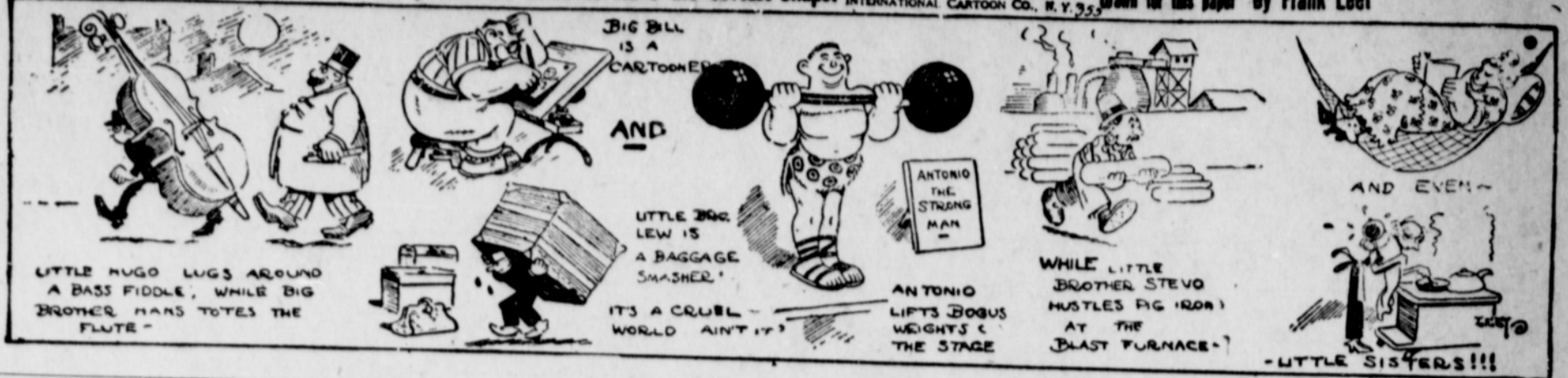
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DO YOU KNOW WHY --- The Neffy Folks All Seem to Have the Softest Snaps?



LITTLE HUGO LUGS AROUND A BASS FIDDLE, WHILE BIG BROTHER MANS TOTES THE FLUTE

BIG BILL IS A CARTOONER

AND

LITTLE BIG LEW IS A BAGGAGE SMASHER

IT'S A CRUEL WORLD AIN'T IT?

ANTONIO LIFTS BIGBOYS WEIGHTS ON THE STAGE

WHILE LITTLE BROTHER STEVO MUSTLES FIG (IRON) AT THE BLAST FURNACE

AND EVEN --- LITTLE SISTERS!!!

Van Teague and Miss Viola Teague spent Tuesday in the Colony community the guests of relatives.

W. R. Francisco, of Cross Plains, spent several days in Putnam this week working in the Putnam Supply Company's store during the absence of J. L. Jenkins.

R. L. Clinton transacted business in Baird on Monday of this week.

W. L. Johnson, father of Mrs. R. E. Clark, is reported seriously ill at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clark here.

Mrs. J. L. Jenkins received a message from El Paso the first of the week stating that her mother, Mrs. W. J. Biggerstaff, formerly of this place, was very ill. Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins and son, Lewis immediately went to be at their mother's bedside. Mrs. Biggerstaff is reported as better at this writing.

The following ladies of the Baptist church, attended the Workers Conference at Baird on Wednesday of the past week. Mesdames G. T. Scott, Joe Green, S. W. Jobe, E. C. Waddell, John Cook, Fred Cook, W. A. Wallace, S. M. Eubank, G. P. Gasikin, Claude King and Miss Ora Clinton.

Mesdames R. L. Clinton, R. D. Williams and Lynn Williams were joint hostesses at a dinner on December 7, given in the home of Mrs. R. D. Williams honoring their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Rice Park, of Oxford, Miss., who are visiting relatives here. All eight of the brothers and sisters were together for the first time in twenty-five years. The oldest of the group now being seventy-five years old and the youngest fifty-six. Those present on this occasion were: Mr. and Mrs. Rice Park, of Oxford, Miss., Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Park, Kate Marice Park and Donald Park, of Stamford, E. L. Park, Mrs. S. H. Woodward and Erle Woodward, of Knox City; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lovelady, Cisco; Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Park, of Moran; Wade Park and Miss Wilhemson, of Iowa Park; J. Robert Park, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Park, J. R. Park, Mrs. Euna Lovelady, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Clinton and children, Bobbie and David Park, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Williams and children, Ellen Louise and Bruce Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Williams and children, Leroy, Anna and Dorothy Sue, of Putnam.

The following program was rendered at the Baptist church in Putnam on Thursday and Friday of the past week during the observance of the week of Prayer. Subject, For Love's Sake. Song, Love is the Theme. Prayer, by Rev. J. E. Black. Devotional, Mrs. S. M. Eubank. "The Love of God," Mrs. J. B. Anthony. "The Love of Fellowmen," Mrs. Fred Golson. Hymn, "Jesus Loves Even Me." How the Week of Prayer was instituted, Mrs. John Cook. Recollections of Miss Lottie Moon, Mrs. George Scott. "Duett," Why Should He Love Me So, Mesdames Bessie Elzie and L. B. Williams. "A Missionary's Appeal for Twenty New Missionaries," Mrs. S. W. Jobe. "Giving," a poem by Mrs. J. E. Black. A paper on prayer, by Mrs. W. A. Ramsey. "What is Christianity?" Mrs. Charley Kile. "It is more-blessed to Give than to Receive," Mrs. Claude King.

The Test of Love is Obedience. Prayer, by pastor. Song, Joy to the World. Devotional, by Mrs. Fred Cook. Six reasons for sending out new missionaries, 1. Mrs. G. P. Gasikin, 2. Miss Ora Clinton, 3. Mrs. W. A. Wallace, 4. Mrs. E. C. Waddell, 5. Mrs. Joe Green, 6. Mrs. W. M. Crosby. Reading of true story "Only One Reason," by Mrs. S. B. Miller. Solo, The Ninty and Nine, by Mrs. L. B. Williams. The Lottie Moon Offering, by Mrs. Jack Brandon. "Lovest Thou Me?" Mrs. W. E. Pruet. Love expressed in Furnishing Equipment, by Mrs. George Scott. Season of prayer closed by pastor.

WORK FOR TUITION WANTED—ten young men and five young women to work in Advertising Department for a part of tuition. Splendid opportunity to get ready for a good business position at a big saving. Insure prosperous New Years throughout the future by starting preparation now. Write to-day. Draughn's College, Box BS, Abilene, Texas.

EULA

Well how is the Star force? We are all well out this way, we are having lots of rains and our roads are awful and our good friend Mr. Hammons is doing all he can to keep the roads in shape, still we are not kicking on rain for we have got to have winter rains to make a crop next year and we all need a good all round crop. We are all broke and need work, so many have told me they have got to have some work of some kind to get by what we need now is to make a living making money is not what we are looking for we want to make a living, keep our children in school you know we all should be awful proud of Judge W. R. Ely, he has the whole country at heart and he is doing all in his power to help us. We should all get up behind him and do our part. We are proud to have such a man as Judge Ely on the highway commission, a man who is willing to work for his country more than he is able to do. Now I want to hand Judge Ely a bouquet of flowers while he is living. Callahan county is due this good man lots of praise for what he has done. Judge Ely is a manly man to me, and I think we are going to have one of the greatest governors Texas has ever had, Ross Sterling and he is going to prove himself worthy.

We was awful sorry to hear of the death of Mrs. J. W. Jones. You know it makes me feel sad when I look back and see so many of the old timers that have pas away.

Well, Xmas will soon be here and I am wishing one and all a pleasant Xmas and a happy New Year.

PATSIIE.

ADMIRAL

(The following letter was received too late for publication last week—Editor)

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Higgins and Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Higgins and children of Las Vegas, Nev., spent Friday and Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. W. Higgins of Delia, Texas.

Miss Narmie Gee Perry and Jackie Street, spent Friday night and Saturday with Miss Perrys mother at Comanche.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Bradford and daughter, Mona Bess, of Baird, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Smith Sunday.

L. B. Harris, of Panhandle, Texas, and R. J. Harris, spent Friday in Clyde with John Harris and family. Mr. and Mrs. Fowler and two children, spent Thanksgiving day in Put-



OLD FOLKS SAY DR. CALDWELL WAS RIGHT

The basis of treating sickness has not changed since Dr. Caldwell left Medical College in 1875, nor since he placed on the market the laxative prescription he had used in his practice.

He treated constipation, biliousness, headaches, mental depression, indigestion, sour stomach and other indigestible conditions entirely by means of simple vegetable laxatives, herbs and roots. These are still the basis of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, a combination of senna and other mild herbs, with pepsin.

The simpler the remedy for constipation, the safer for the child and for you. And as you can get results in a mild and safe way by using Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, why take chances with strong drugs?

A bottle will last several months, and all can use it. It is pleasant to the taste, gentle in action, and free from narcotics. Elderly people find it ideal. All drug stores have the generous bottles, or write "Syrup Pepsin," Dept. BB, Monticello, Illinois, for free trial bottle.

nam with relatives.

Mrs. Estelle Maltby and children, Jiles, Jeff and Billie Mae, Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Higgins and daughter, Earnestine, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Beasley and daughters, Arthur, Muriel, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Olin Jones at Baird Thanksgiving day.

Harry Harris of West Brook, spent Saturday and Saturday night with his brother, W. J. Harris.

Misses Etta Belle and Bessie Smith, who are attending school at Baird, spent from Wednesday afternoon until Sunday afternoon with their mother, Mrs. Clark Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Coffey and Grandma Wright, spent Thanksgiving day in Abilene the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Harrison.

Rev. W. A. Foster of Cross Plains, was shaking hands with friends in Admiral Sunday afternoon.

Mr. T. W. Eastham and sister, Miss Mae received a message Saturday that their sister Mrs. John Wright of Big Springs, had died. Mrs. Wright lived here for several years before going to Big Springs. We regret to hear of her death.

Harry Harris and Miss Gussie Smith drove over to Atwell Sunday afternoon and surprised their many friends by getting married. They will make their home at West Brook. We wish for them many happy years together.

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LEGAL NOTICE

The State of Texas, County of Callahan:

On this the 3rd day of December, A. D. 1930, the Commissioners' Court of Callahan County, Texas, convened in called session in the Courthouse of said County, being the regular meeting place of said court, with the following members of said Court, to-wit:

- W. C. White, County Judge,
- J. W. Hammons, Commissioner Precinct No. 1.
- J. H. Carpenter, Commissioner Precinct No. 2.
- W. A. Everett, Commissioner Precinct No. 3.
- G. H. Clifton, Commissioner Precinct No. 4.
- S. E. Settle, County Clerk and Ex-officio Clerk, Commissioners' Court.

being present, there came on to be considered the petition of D. P. Hollis and 280 other persons praying that bonds be issued by Callahan County, Texas, in the sum of One Million (\$1,000,000.00) Dollars bearing interest at the rate not to exceed five and one-half (5½%) per centum per annum, and maturing serially or otherwise not to exceed thirty (30) years from their date, (rate of interest and maturity to be fixed by the Commissioners' Court), for the purpose of purchasing District Roads and the further construction and maintenance and operation of macadamized, graveled or paved roads and turnpikes, or in aid thereof, throughout such County, as follows: said Callahan County, Texas;

1

Bonds to be issued in the aggregate sum of Two Hundred Ninety Thousand Two Hundred Eleven and 13-100 (\$290,211.13) Dollars for the purpose of purchasing District Roads in said County, and which bonds shall have the same dates of maturity and bear the same rate of interest as the bonds heretofore issued and now outstanding against Road Districts Numbers One (1) and Four (4) in said County.

2

Bonds to be issued in the aggregate sum of Seven Hundred Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Eight and 87-100 (\$709,788.87) Dollars for the further construction, maintenance and operation of macadamized, graveled or paved roads and turnpikes, or in aid thereof, throughout said County, and which bonds may run for a term not to exceed thirty (30) years from their date and bear interest at the rate of not exceeding five and one-half (5½%) per centum per annum.

3

And whether or not an ad valorem tax shall be levied upon the property in said County subject to taxation for the purpose of paying the interest on said bonds and to provide a sinking fund for the redemption thereof at maturity; and

It appearing to the Court that said petition is signed by more than two hundred fifty of the resident property tax-paying voters of said Callahan County, Texas; and

It further appearing that the amount of said bonds prayed to be issued will not exceed one fourth of the assessed valuation of the real property of

IT IS THEREFORE CONSIDERED AND ORDERED BY THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF CALLAHAN COUNTY, that an election be held in said County on the 3rd day of January, A. D. 1931, which is not less than thirty days from the date of this order, to determine:

"Whether or not the bonds of said County shall be issued in the amount of One Million (\$1,000,000.00) Dollars, bearing interest at the rate not to exceed five and one-half (5½%) per centum per annum, and maturing serially or otherwise, not to exceed thirty (30) years from their date, for the purpose of the purchase of District Roads in Road Districts Numbers One (1) and Four (4) in said County, and the further construction, maintenance and operation of macadamized, graveled or paved roads and turnpikes, or in aid thereof throughout said County, and whether or not a tax shall be levied upon the property in said county, subject to taxation for the purpose of paying the interest on said bonds, and to provide a sinking fund for the redemption thereof at maturity."

That said election shall be held under the provisions of Chapter 3, Title 22, Revised Civil Statutes 1925, and amendments thereto as passed by the 30th Legislature, First Called Session, Chapter 16.

All persons who are legally qualified voters of the State of Texas, and County of Callahan, and who are resident, property tax payers of said County shall be entitled to vote at said election.

The ballots for said election shall have written or printed thereon the following:

"FOR THE ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS AND THE LEVYING OF THE TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF."

"AGAINST THE ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS AND THE LEVYING OF THE TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF."

The voter shall mark out with black ink or with black pencil one of the said expressions, thus leaving the other as indicating his vote on the proposition.

The polling places and the presiding officers of said election shall be respectively as follows:

- Voting Precinct No. 1, at City Hall in Baird, Texas, with W. E. Melton as Presiding Officer.
- Voting Precinct No. 2, at School House, Belle Plain, with Claude Flores as Presiding Officer.
- Voting Precinct No. 3, at School House, Cottonwood, with B. H. Freedland as Presiding Officer.
- Voting Precinct No. 4, at School House, Tecumseh, with J. G. Barton as Presiding Officer.
- Voting Precinct No. 5, at Mayor's Office in Clyde, with J. H. Burkett as Presiding Officer.
- Voting Precinct No. 6, at Mayor's Office in Cross Plains, with Taylor Bond as Presiding Officer.
- Voting Precinct No. 7, at School House, Admiral, with Ed Davis as Presiding Officer.
- Voting Precinct No. 8, at Mayor's office at Putnam, with J. H. Cunningham as Presiding Officer.
- Voting Precinct No. 9, at Residence of Eugene Green, Erath, with J. H. Owens as Presiding Officer.
- Voting Precinct No. 10, at School House, Eula, with R. P. Stephenson as Presiding Officer.
- Voting Precinct No. 11, at School House, Caddo Peak, with J. A. Moore as Presiding Officer.
- Voting Precinct No. 12, at School House, Dudley, with Kirby Myers as Presiding Officer.
- Voting Precinct No. 13, at School House, Atwell, with W. C. Rouse as Presiding Officer.
- Voting Precinct No. 15, at School House, Lanham, with R. E. Clemer as Presiding Officer.
- Voting Precinct No. 16, at School House, Dressy, with C. R. Steele as Presiding Officer.
- Voting Precinct No. 17, at School House, Oplin, with Chas. Allen as Presiding Officer.
- Voting Precinct No. 18, at School House, Rowden (Pilgrim) with N. B. Holloway as Presiding Officer.
- Voting Precinct No. 19, at Methodist Church, Denton, with Roy Kenrick as Presiding Officer.
- Voting Precinct No. 20, at Methodist Church, Hart, with H. W. Grisham as Presiding Officer.
- Voting Precinct No. 21, at School House, Gardner, with Wm. Young as Presiding Officer.

The manner of holding said election shall be governed by the General laws of the State of Texas, regulating general elections, when not in conflict with the provisions of the Statutes hereinabove referred to.

Notice of said election shall be given by publication of a copy of this Order in the Baird Star, a newspaper published in said County for three successive weeks before the date of said election, and in addition thereto, there shall be posted other copies of this order at four public places in the County, one of which shall be at the Court House door, for three successive weeks prior to said election.

The County Judge is hereby directed to cause said notices to be published and posted and the County Clerk is hereby directed to publish and post the

same, as hereinabove directed; and further orders are reserved until the returns of said elections are made by the fully authorized election officers and received by this Court.

- W.C. WHITE,
County Judge, Callahan County, Texas.
- J. W. HAMMONS,
Commissioner Precinct No. 1, Callahan County, Texas.
- J. H. CARPENTER,
Commissioner Precinct No. 2, Callahan County, Texas.
- W. A. EVERETT,
Commissioner Precinct No. 3, Callahan County, Texas.
- G. H. CLIFTON,
Commissioner Precinct No. 4, Callahan County, Texas.

Attest: S. E. Settle,
County Clerk and Ex-officio
Clerk Commissioners' Court,
Callahan County, Texas.

(Seal of Commissioners' Court).

THE STATE OF TEXAS:

COUNTY OF CALLAHAN: I. S. E. SETTLE, County Clerk and Ex-officio Clerk of the Commissioners' Court of Callahan County, Texas, hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of an order of Election made by the Commissioners' Court of said County on the 3rd day of December, A. D. 1930, which said order is duly recorded in Volume J, on pages 1, 2 and 3 of the Minutes of said Commissioners' Court. Given under my hand and seal of said Court, on this the 3rd day of December, A. D. 1930.

S. E. SETTLE,
County Clerk and Ex-officio Clerk of the
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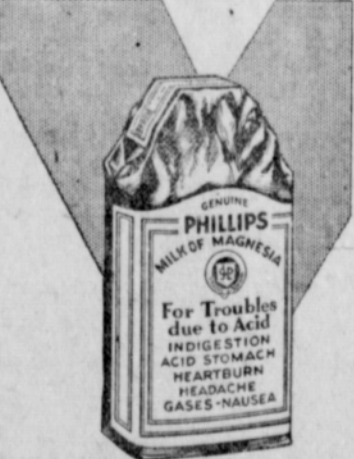
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That our people may enjoy the
Christmas season this year with their
homes unmarred by accidents or fires,
let us all observe "Don'ts" and use
every care to prevent fires as well
as other accidents.

Don't allow Christmas packings
and wrappings to collect as rubbish
just inviting fires.

Don't put paper decorations near
high powered electric light bulbs.

Don't use cotton for artificial snow;
there is an asbestos snow that is
much safer.

Don't put candles on Christmas
trees, in windows, or near curtains
or decorations.

there is danger of causing fire, and
nowhere in the city limits for there
is a city ordinance against it.

Don't forget the usual precautions
about life and property in the rush
of holiday preparations.

Lighting is used for Christmas
trees every year causes a heavy loss
in fires. Candles are almost a thing
of the past but every once in a while
someone uses them again. The electric
sets made especially for trees are
candles and improvised electric light-
ing should not be used in any case.

**Christmas Seal Sale
Increasing**

In spite of the drought and unem-
ployment situation—or perhaps be-
cause of these factors—returns from
the sale of tuberculosis Christmas
Seals sent by mail to a large number
of prospective purchasers in Texas
have brought in, to date, more money
per letter than was received for the
same period of time in 1929, accord-
ing to Lewis E. Bracy, Executive
Secretary of the Texas Tuberculosis
Association which conducts the an-
nual sale of seals in this State.

"We are receiving letters from
many people who regularly purchase
Christmas seals, enclosing money for
more seals than we actually sent
them," Mr. Bracy said in a statement
made at Austin to-day. "This is en-
couraging because we were somewhat
doubtful that the sale of seals this
year would bring in the same returns
as the seal sales of more prosperous
years. This increase in the mail sale
is apparently due to the fact that
thinking citizens realize that the pre-
sent economic situation has brought,
to large numbers of our people,
hunger and lower standards of living
that undermine vitality and develop
conditions in which tuberculosis is
known to thrive. They realize that
there is a greater need for the work
of the tuberculosis association this
year than ever before, and those who
can afford to do so are responding
more generously than ever to make
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because of others who are unable,
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PACKAGE'S**

Postmaster, M. J. Holmes and his
assistants, Miss John Gilliland, Greer
Holmes, Eliska Gilliland and Mrs.
Justin Anderson, are quite busy hand-
ling the Christmas mailing. Patrons
of the office can aid in prompt service
by carefully wrapping and addressing
their packages and mailing out all
Christmas mail as early as possible.



Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a baby doll and a ball
and a ring, some gloves and a dinner
bucket, some candy and fruit.

From
Stella Mae Ramsey
and Santa, Gwenn wants a baby
doll and a truck and little broom.

Baird, Texas
Dec. 15, 1930

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a train and
truck, a red wagon and a helmet, if
you think you have one that will fit
me, so I can play football.

Your Friend
Billie Tom Womack

Baird, Texas
Dec. 15, 1930

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl 7 years old
and in the first grade. I have been
a good little girl and want you to
bring me a sleepy doll with curly
hair and a real coaster wagon.

Please remember all the poor
little children.

Your Little Friend,
Clarice Errolene Haley.

Admiral, Texas
Dec. 3, 1930

Dear Santa Claus:
I want you to get me a little
car, and a little football cost \$0.89.
Bring some oranges and some apples
for me, and a basket ball and nuts.
I am in the fourth grade. I am 9
years old.

Your Friend,
Truett Black

Baird, Texas
Star Rt. 1.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am in the fourth grade. I
am 9 years old. I want you to bring
me a football and some candy, apples,
oranges and some nuts and two little
bicycles for Truett and I, and some
story books. I made an arithmetic
100 and English 88 and Spelling 85
and health 85. I didn't make under
70.

I Love You
Truman Black
Baird, Texas
Dec. 15, 1930

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl ten years old.
I want you to bring me a Big Sleepy
Eyed doll with hair, some candy, or-
anges and nuts. I have two little
sisters and a little brother, one of
them is 8 years old her name is Eve-
lyn, she wants you to bring her a doll
too and Charcil Mae wants a doll too
with real hair and Howard wants a
tricycle and candy and nuts.

With Love
Catherine Coffey

Baird, Texas
Dec. 15, 1930

**Mr. Clark Rural School
Inspector Visits
County Schools**

Mr. Clark, Rural school Inspector,
has completed his work of inspection
of the rural schools of Callahan
County.

Mr. Clark was accompanied on his
tour of the county by Mr. B. C. Chris-
man, county superintendent elect, Mr.
Clark expressed himself as being
highly pleased with the condition of
the rural schools of the county.

The schools that were visited by
Mr. Clark, the Rural school Inspec-
tor, for the purpose of granting a
sufficient amount of the special Aid
Fund to give each school a six and
one-half months term. And thereby
releasing the local tax for the purpose
of running the schools the extra time
of the contracts.

The schools visited and the amounts
given are as follows:

Dist. 4 Iona	\$ 519.00
Dist. 5 Union Consolidated	\$ 835.00
Dist. 7 Eula	\$ 562.00
Dist. 8 Denton	\$ 574.00
Dist. 9 Putnam	\$1500.00
Dist. 11 Dressy	\$ 497.00
Dist. 19 Atwell	\$ 301.00
Dist. 21 Deer Plains	\$ 553.00
Dist. 27 Rowden	\$ 412.00
Dist. 28 Turkey Creek	\$ 173.00
Dist. 29 Cedar Bluff	\$ 153.00
Dist. 30 Cottonwood	\$ 786.00
Dist. 32 Burnt Branch	\$ 484.00
Dist. 33 Gardner	\$ 466.00
Dist. 34 Fairview	\$ 541.00
Dist. 38 Dudley	\$ 725.00
Dist. 39 Admiral	\$ 614.00
Dist. 45 Midway	\$ 636.00
Dist. 46 Lanham	\$ 400.00
Dist. 47 Enterprise	\$ 430.00

Dist. 48 Bayou	\$ 219.00
Dist. 49 Oplin	\$1470.00
Dist. 50 Lone Oak	\$ 694.00
Dist. 53 Hillside	\$ 188.00

The total amount of State aid re-
commended by Mr. Clark for Calla-
han County rural schools this year
is \$13,782.00, an increase of \$1,553.00
over last year. Mr. Clark visited
Clyde school and recommended to the
State Department of Education that
they be Apportionment for that dis-
trict which will if allowed, will be
about \$1,700.00.

**BAIRD "BEARS" CLOSE suc-
CESSFUL SEASON**

The past week the "Bears" checked
in their uniforms to Coach A. M.
Coleman, having finished one of the
most successful seasons a Baird team
has ever enjoyed. The results of the
games are as follows:

Cross Plains 13	Baird 0
Cross Plains 18	Baird 9
Albany 33	Baird 0
Putnam 0	Baird 33
Moran 0	Baird 30
Rising Star 0	Baird 6
Clyde 0	Baird 14
Caddo 7	Baird 39
Clyde 0	Baird 25
opponents 71	Baird 156

About sixteen men earned their
letters this year, and of this number
seven or eight will be lost by grad-
uation.

The boys have taken up basketball
and expect to enjoy a very successful
season.

SOUTH REUNION

The annual reunion and birthday
celebration in the honor of C. E. South
was held at his home five miles west
of Baird on Sunday, Dec. 14. This
being the honoree's seventy-first
birthday. He received many useful
gifts which he appreciated. There
were nine children present, twenty-
five grandchildren and the one great-
grandchild, Betty Jean May. Mr.
South enjoys these reunions very
much and this seemed like the best
one yet.

At noon a delicious turkey dinner
was served to the following: Mr. and
Mrs. C. E. South, Clyde; Mrs. S. E.
Webb, and children, Baird; Mr. and
Mrs. Joel Griffin and family, Clyde;

Mr. and Mrs. J. Z. Martin and fam-
ily, Clyde; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Moore,
Mr. and Mrs. Orville Davis Hamilton,
Mr. and Mrs. O. B. May, Mr. and Mrs.
O. F. May and daughter, Betty Jean,
Sweetwater; Ralph South, Clyde; Mr.
and Mrs. Olaf G. South, Clyde; Judge
and Mrs. C. L. South and family,
Coleman; Mr. and Mrs. Roy M. South,
Eastland; and Mr. Willard Bradford,
principal of Midway school.

Abilene is considering the propo-
sition of voting on a million dollar
bond issue for the improvement of the
streets, sewer, park and water works.
In addition to the city's need of these
improvements it would i/e work to
many of the unemployed in the city.

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Nice Fibre Doll Buggies	\$1.93
Small Rubber Tire Velocipedes	\$1.83
Large Coaster Wagons	\$3.69
3 packages Fire Crackers	\$.10

*Other nice gifts priced in same way—Come
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**To The Members and Friends of the Methodist
Church and Sunday School:
GREETINGS**

Our fellowship and labors for the past year have brought to our hearts many pleasant
memories and it is our sincere wish that our Christmas Holidays may bring to each of
you the fullest joys of the year.

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to All.

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PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Hickman, of Coleman were in Baird Tuesday.

Mrs. H. W. Walker, son Wilburn, and daughter, Bertha Agnes, of the Cutbirth Ranch, were in town Tuesday.

W. A. Brock, of Cottonwood was a pleasant visitor at the Star office while in Baird the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Ledia, of Stephenville are visiting Mrs. Otho Ledia and little daughter, Betty Gay and Mrs. J. B. Cutbirth.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Preston, of Oplin, were in Baird last Thursday. They made the Star office a pleasant visit.

Miss Ada Powell, of Washington, D. C. arrived Monday to spend the holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Powell.

Mrs. Martha Gilliland will leave within the next few days for Kerrville, where she will spend the Christmas holidays with her daughter, Miss Alice Gilliland.

W. D. Boydston was in Dallas and Fort Worth buying Christmas goods this week. Will said he found many bargains and is going to pass them around to his customers.

Miss Dorothy Boydston is expected home from Kidd-Key College, at Sherman, to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Boydston.

Mrs. Delbert Sawyer and children, of Idaho, are visiting Mrs. Sawyer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. McWhorter. They will be here until after the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Ace Hickman returned Wednesday from Brownwood where they were called last Sunday by the serious condition of Mrs. Hickman's father, Mr. Reeves, who has been ill for sometime.

Willie Hunt, of the Marine Service United States Navy, stationed at Key West, Florida, arrived home a few days ago to spend the holidays with his father, A. W. Hunt, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Carpenter, of Dudley, were in Baird yesterday. Mr. Carpenter is our County Judge elect and he and Mrs. Carpenter were here looking for a residence. They will move in on Friday following Christmas. They will have all their children at home for dinner on Christmas day.

E. L. Counts, of Big Spring, was in Baird last Thursday. Mr. Counts, who has been with the freight department of the Texas and Pacific for some years was transferred from Baird to the Big Springs office some months ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Ross and little daughter, Maxine, left Tuesday morning for Los Angeles and Fullerton, Calif., to spend the holidays with relatives. They will return the first of the year.

Mrs. W. E. Gilliland, Miss Eliska Gilliland, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Estes and little daughters, Patty and Dorothy, Mrs. Larmer Henry, son and daughter, Billie and Loraine, Archie and Ily Price, spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Larry Blakley, at their home on the Bayou.

MISS MCGOWEN ENTERTAINS PUPILS

Miss Glenn McGowen entertained her music pupils with a party Thursday evening Dec. 11, from 6:30 to 8:30. A program was given and musical games were played. Then prizes were given to Bobbie Griggs and Bonnie Black for winning in the contests and to Ellen Louise Nunnally and Lois Bell, Marion Dyer and Charity Gilliland for having the best lessons. Others who had almost as many good lessons were Billie Bloom, Bonnie Black, Shelba Jones, Katherine McCoy and Billie Hollingshead. Others present were Euna Lee Stanley, Billie Griggs, Laverne Finch, Devene Finch, Anna Mas Smith, Alma Glover, Laverne Edwards of Denton community, Kenneth Gearge, Norman George and Frank Waite, Jr.

THE STAR WILL BE ISSUED ON WEDNESDAY OF NEXT WEEK

The Star will be issued on Wednesday evening of next week in order that the force may have Christmas day off. All who want advertising in next weeks paper will please have same in the office by Tuesday noon.

NOTICE

I have bought the City Barber Shop from George Doyle and now have charge of same. I will appreciate your patronage.

J. U. Jernigan

Mrs. Supplee Hurt In Car Wreck

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Supplee, who formerly lived on the Jackson lease, north of Baird, but who have moved into town for the winter were in a car wreck in Mineral Wells on Wednesday of last week, while enroute home from Weatherford where they had been visiting relatives. Mr. Supplee escaped with slight injuries but Mrs. Supplee suffered a broken and dislocated arm.

They Paid Their Subscription

The following is a list of our subscribers who have paid their subscription since report published last week:

We thank all who have paid up and we trust that many others will take advantage of the bargain rate offered and pay up—a saving of 50 cents on each subscription, and a great financial help to us—Editor.

Mrs. W. E. Hamilton, Chillicothe, Texas; T. J. White, Baihr; C. M. Johnson, Baird; Dan Clark, Abilene; Ed E. Horn, Baird St. Rt. 2; D. W. Young, Newcastle; Mrs. Charlie Straley, Oplin; W. A. Brock, Cottonwood; J. S. Gamble, Clyde; Mrs. M. L. Teeple, Baird; H. C. McGowen, Baird; L. D. Harwell, Abilene; W. O. Spencer, Cross Plains, Rt. 1; Edmund Webb, Baird, Rt. 1; Morgan Price, Baird St. Rt. 2; Mrs. S. D. Hill, Baird; Mrs. H. A. Snoddy, Waco; Clarence West, Baird; E. L. Counts, Big Spring; Henry Preston, Oplin; Mrs. R. D. White, Baird; John Bryant, Baird Rt. 1; H. D. Hart, Fort Worth; Mrs. I. N. Jackson, Abilene; John McKee, Baird Rt. 1; E. B. Mullican, Baird; Mrs. Mamie Johnson, Oplin; Mrs. Dewey Ennis, Brazos; D. F. Harp, Baird; Andrew Johnson, Oplin; O. L. Black, Baird; Dr. D. A. Bitzer, Washington, Kan.; S. T. Walker, Clyde; T. J. McIntosh, Clyde; Mrs. W. R. Hickman, Coleman; Mrs. H. A. Lones, Baird; Mrs. W. B. Dodd, Graham; J. M. Cody Clyde; Mrs. Frank Burt, Pasadena, Calif.; W. T. Pool, Clyde; J. R. Breeding, Oplin; and H. O. Ross, Baird.

BOBBY JACK MAYES HONORED ON FOURTH BIRTHDAY

Honoring little Bobby Jack Mayes on his fourth birthday, Miss Nina Walker entertained from three until five Thursday afternoon, Dec. 11th. Children enjoyed games and Bobby Jack received many nice gifts.

At the close of the party the pink birthday cake topped with four candles was cut and served with hot-chocolate, fruit and candies.

There were twenty five present who helped to make this a joyous occasion for Bobby.

Buy your Christmas goods from Holmes Drug Co. Diamond ring to be given away on Christmas eve. 3-1t

WANT ADS

FOR RENT: Two Furnished Apartments in Duplex House. See or phone, R. E. Hall. Phone 324. 45-1t

FOR SALE OR RENT—Capt. Lea place in north Baird containing 10 acres of land and a 19 room house. 52-4p W. G. C. Macdonald.

FOR RENT—Three room furnished house, close in, see R. E. Hall. 52-1t

FOR RENT—Four room house with 25 acres of land, three miles west of Baird on Bankhead Highway, rent reasonable, See Mrs. Frank L. Wilson 3-2t Baird, Texas

FOR SALE—One set of 4 truck tires and tubes, in good condition. \$20. cash. 3-11P. Hi-Way Garage.

Plant fruit trees, and they will do the work. Plant cotton, and you will do the work. Get free catalogue from Ramsey's Austin Nursery, Austin, Texas. 2-1t

SIGAL

THEATRE

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Sigal, Mgrs. Showing the Latest and Best Pictures All Talking Always

SATURDAY and MONDAY
December 20 and 22
"The Sante Fe Trail"
with Richard Arlen, Mitzi Green and Eugene Pallette.

TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY
December 23 and 24
The Two Black Crows
MORAN and MACK
in

"Anybody's War"
THURSDAY and FRIDAY
December 25 and 26
"Common Clay"

with Constance Bennett and Lewis Ayres. The Harvard prize play, by Clevis Kinkhead.

A treat for Drama lovers is promised with the opening on Christmas night of "COMMON CLAY", one of the greatest pictures ever shown.

SATURDAY and MONDAY
December 27 and 29
"The Sea Wolf"

with Milton Sills.
From the famous story by Jack London.

We invite your account

FIRST STATE BANK

The bank of friendly service

SPECIAL XMAS SALE

only four more shopping days. I spent Wednesday in Dallas and Ft. Worth, buying many things at great reductions and am passing them on to you.

Come in and get your bargains at once.

See Our Window For Something Free!

W. D. BOYDSTUN

S. F. Hamilton Dies Suddenly

Mr. S. F. Hamilton, proprietor of the Sunnyside Service Station, died at his home here at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon following a short illness. Funeral arrangements are in charge of W. O. Wylie, and will probably be held sometime Saturday, depending upon the arrival of members of the family.

Think On These Things

Selected by Bro. Andrews
WHOLESOME MEDITATION
DO NOT ADD, NOR SUBTRACT,
BUT RIGHTLY DIVIDE THE
WORD OF TRUTH

"If any man shall ADD UNTO THESE THINGS God shall ADD unto him the PLAGUES that are written in this book."

And if any man shall TAKE AWAY from the words of this prophecy God shall TAKE AWAY HIS PART out of the BOOK OF LIFE, and out of the HOLY CITY, and from the THINGS WHICH ARE WRITTEN in this book." John.

"STUDY to shew thyself approved UNTO GOD, a WORKMAN that needeth not to be ASHAMED, RIGHTLY DIVIDING the word of truth." Paul.

Beer was brewed from rye in Bab. The Colorado River is still digging out great canyons in the Southwest.

The Poyou, an Argentine armadillo, has six movable bands of plates. The average annual wage in the United States is \$1,280.00

Christmas Gifts

We have a beautiful line of exclusive gift goods. See our line before you buy

WHEELER'S

"The Drug Store With Class"

GROCERY BUYING OPPORTUNITIES

A & P STORES OFFER A WIDE SELECTION OF FOODS FOR CHRISTMAS—ALL KINDS OF FOODS NECESSARY IN MAKING THE CHRISTMAS DINNER A SUCCESS. A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO OBTAIN YOUR CHRISTMAS GROCERY NEEDS, AT A MINIMUM PRICE, IS OFFERED AT YOUR NEAREST A & P.

PRICES for FRIDAY and SATURDAY
Monday-Tuesday-Wednesday and Thursday of NEXT WEEK

PERSONAL

Holiday seasons are always open seasons in A & P stores for the great army of the bargain hunters. They know that A & P gives them particularly good chances for the foods that are in greatest demand. It's A & P's policy to reduce rather than increase prices of what the public most wants—turkeys soon, for instance.

GRAPES Red Emp.	lb.	5c
POTATOES 10 lbs.		18c
CRANBERRIES	lb.	17c
BANANAS	lb.	5½c

FOR CHRISTMAS

We have a large assortment of Fruits, Nuts and Candies for Christmas.

SUGAR 10 lb cloth, Dom., pure cane	47c
COMPOUND, Swifts Jewell and White Cloud 8 lbs.	?
FLOUR Best Standard,	48lb. 95c
MEAL 25 lb. bag	65c

Red Front EXTRACT 17c	Dromedary DATES Pkg. 19c	Standard TOMATOES 3 No. 2 cans 25c
A & P MINCE MEAT Pkg. 10c	3 Cakes Palmolive Soap 20c	Gelatin Dessert SPARKLE Package 7c
CANDY 3 Bars 10c	Folger's COFFEE Lb. 45c	Pinto BEANS Lb. 5c
Dixie Twist STICK CANDY Per pkg. 19c	Assorted Christmas CHOCOLATES 5 lb. Box 98c	Christmas Mixture CANDIES Per lb. 15c
Grandmothers FRUITCAKE Per lb. 43c	Fruited PUDDING Per lb. 25c	A. & P. MINCE MEAT Per pkg. 10c

BEANS, Quaker Maid 3 cans 3 cans 20c Prince Albert Tobacco (pk. in attractive tins) at 98c per tin.

Fresh Sweet Milk, from Alexander's Dairy Qt. 10c

WE MEET ALL PRICES

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Texas and Texans

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Banks Have More Money

Texas banks generally are in fine condition and most of them can meet all demands of their customers for well-secured loans. Deposits indicate that the money is well distributed among the masses. Where business is low, it is due largely to the fact that the people, having gone through an era of somewhat prodigal spending, are now practicing unusual economy. However, merchants in many sections are reporting a larger advance Christmas trade than usual and are expecting December sales to exceed those of last year.

Great Irrigation Projects

Next year is to be a year of great power and irrigation projects for Texas—greatest by far in its history. There is little doubt but that the Federal and State governments will make provisions for the survey and other preliminary work looking to the early construction of the several dams that will conserve the immense resources, now going to waste in the Brazos river valley and will bring about the irrigation of that immense area, larger than the State of Ohio. Work is rapidly going forward toward the construction of the Colorado river dam near Llano, Marble Falls and Burnet—the first of five dams between Austin and Lampassas.

The great Eagle Pass project, one of the largest undertakings in the State, is well under way and will be completed before the year is over.

Plans are being worked out for irrigating large areas along the Rio Grande, both in Texas and Mexico, and a number of the existing irrigation systems will be increased.

The proposed dam on the Colorado above Ballinger will bring a large acreage of fertile lands under irrigation, and make farming a safe business for a large territory there.

Contract has been let for the huge reservoir for Brownwood's water supply and the irrigation of some 25,000 acres of rich valley lands.

These are but a few of the many enterprises of the kind under way and contemplated in Texas just now, the completion of which gives promise of rapidly increasing wealth in Texas.

Brownwood Celebrates

The completion of a twelve story hotel at Brownwood, as modern as a hotel can be, and the letting of the contract for the storage dam of the \$2,500,000 water and irrigation project, has been celebrated by a big dinner-dance at the new hotel and the issuing of a monster edition of The Brownwood Bulletin. Brownwood has passed out of a small city class and is making its plans to become one of Texas' large cities, having all the resources that go to the making of a great agricultural, commercial and industrial center.

Dallas Favors Extension

Houston, through its Chamber of Commerce, having thrown its influence, if any, against the proposal of the Texas-Pacific road to build a line from Big Spring, some 300 miles north through a rich part of the state, on which building it would expend some \$13,000,000 and open up a large territorial development, Dallas has joined hands with the railroad in the fight. Doubtless Fort Worth will also lend a helping hand, and there is now a prospect that the effort to get the Interstate Commerce Commission to grant the road's application may become State-wide. Houston admits that its interest is purely selfish and local in opposing the building, fearing that some cotton hauls may be diverted to New Orleans.

Watch Corpus Christi

While Houston is trying to throw a monkey wrench into the West Texas railroad development movement, it should keep its eyes on the port of Corpus Christi. That Gulf and Western road from San Antonio through Fredericksburg, Mason and Brady to San Angelo will be completed, no doubt, in time to handle the cotton crop of 1931, and it is going to prove such a good cotton haul that a short link from Brownwood through Cross Plains to Abilene, using the Frisco from Brady to Brownwood, is almost certain to follow, these two lines opening an immense agricultural area to a direct route to Corpus Christi through San Antonio.

Dry-in-Texas Movement

Texas manufacturers are starting a State-wide movement for increasing the use of Texas-made products, the initial meeting being held at Waco this week under the auspices of the three sectional chambers of commerce. There are in Texas some 2,500 to 3,000 industrial plants and with proper Texas support many more industries would locate in the State. There is no better way to get industries than to give support to those we have.

ROWDEN

(By MIKE and IKE)

The P. T.-A. Will meet again Friday night. Will be glad to have all of you people to come who will.

We have been informed that Miss Belva Holloway was taken seriously ill Sunday, blood poison having been caused by a splinter which stuck in her foot a few weeks ago. She was immediately rushed to a doctor at Baird for treatment. We have not heard since how she is getting along.

Mr. Tabor's near relatives from Clyde spent Saturday night with he and his family.

Rev. G. E. Williams, our Methodist pastor, preached Saturday night and Sunday morning. The congregation enjoyed hearing some real good sermons at both services.

Mrs. Bagget attended the Methodist Quarterly Conference at Cottonwood Saturday.

Mr. Walter Jones and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Bowers Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Charles Bagwell and family and his mother, Mrs. Bagwell, all of

Potosi, spent Sunday with his brother, Mr. Earnest Bagwell and family.

Mr. Tannahill, the assistant teacher of the Rowden school, spent the week-end with home folks at Abilene.

Grandma Smedley has improved very much from being ill since last week and was able to be up Sunday.

Mr. J. M. Hardin was the Sunday dinner guest of Mr. W. V. Roberts. This vicinity received a good rain one day last week.

Mrs. Bagget, Mr. Ham Holloway, and Mr. Bowers were appointed stewards of our Methodist church for the coming year, last Saturday at the Quarterly Conference at Cottonwood, the former stewards of the Rowden Methodist Church having been Mr. J. M. Hardin, Mr. W. V. Roberts, and Mrs. N. J. Bagget.

Mr. A. A. Walls spent the week-end here at Rowden.

Miss Stella Roberts was the Sunday dinner guest of Mrs. Earnest Bagwell.

Mr. Raymon Gibbs has recently returned from Kansas and Oklahoma.

We had a good Sunday School attendance Sunday, and we would like to have a still better attendance next

Sunday, so we cordially invite all to come who will and take a part in Sunday school.

Crazy Water Relieves Man of Rheumatism

Once Friends Gave Him Up. Now They Marvel at His Health

After having been down with muscular rheumatism for some weeks, I was taken to Mineral Wells in an S. B. Neer & Co. Ambulance of this city on August 1st, 1927. I did not have physical strength to participate in or benefit from the bathing facilities at that time, although I left off practically all medicines, none of which seemed to benefit me and drank Crazy Water regularly and systematically for some six weeks, came back home relieved almost entirely of my suffering and returned there later to take advantage of the baths. My life is a pleasure to me now. My friends are yet congratulating me on my healthy appearance and frequently mention the fact that they never expected to see me out and going as

I am again.

P. S. LAKE,
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The new milliondollar Crazy Water Hotel at Mineral Wells, Texas, covers an entire block of ground. It is natural to think it would be expensive to stop at this magnificent Hotel; yet, you can enjoy its genuine hospitality, pleasing service and receive the benefits of the Crazy Mineral Water Treatment at very reasonable rates. Write them for full and complete information.

DAYS OF SUFFERING

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The next time you start one of these days, see the instant relief you get with Dillard's Aspirin. Almost before you know it the pain disappears, your nerves suddenly relax. With Aspirin you chew the pain away. For it is the finest aspirin obtainable put up in chewing gum form. Now you can take aspirin any time, any place. No water. No bitter taste. No choking sensation. Because you chew Dillard's Aspirin the aspirin mixes thoroughly with the saliva so that all its soothing qualities are effective quickly, continuously. It brings quick relief from aching heads, tooth-ache, the pains of neuritis, neuralgia, even rheumatism. If your druggist does not have Dillard's Aspirin, send for a free sample to Health Products Corporation, Dept. A, 113 North 13th Street, Newark, N. J.

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A Story of Two MILLION DOLLARS

TWO million dollars is a lot of money. Suppose you had to spend that much in just one summer. What a glorious time you could have! It's a pleasant thought, but let's find out how your gas company really did spend two million dollars last summer. It will interest you because you are going to receive most of the benefits.

This story is about the big annual task of getting ready for the enormous winter demand for gas. The work begins in the spring and lasts until fall.

Without compressor stations it would be impossible to send gas through the pipe lines fast enough to supply everyone with gas during cold weather. So naturally one of the largest projects of the past summer's program was the erection of three new compressor stations.

A huge new compressor station erected at Brad, 25 miles west of Mineral Wells, involved the building of a 20,000,000-gallon lake, its water to be used in cooling the big compressor engines. Another compressor station was built at Joshua, 18 miles southeast of Fort Worth, and another was

erected in the X-Ray field in Erath County. There were fifteen compressor engines installed in these three new compressor stations.

A gigantic 1250 horse power engine was added to the immense compressor station at Petrolia, making a total of 7,500 horse power at this one station. In all there are 27 compressor stations, to help send gas to you this winter when the thermometer goes down.



A view of the 20,000,000-gallon lake that was built to cool the compressor engines at Brad.

One of the unusual engineering feats accomplished during the summer was taking up and re-laying 80 miles of pipe, north of Petrolia, leading from the Oklahoma gas fields. This pipe was lifted out of the ditch, scraped free of dirt and corroded material, old joints replaced with new, treated with a protective covering, thoroughly tested, and re-laid in the ditch. This was done to further insure you a constant flow of gas this winter.

Many new miles of pipe line were added to the net work of the company's system, which now contain 3700 miles of main pipe line.

Work is now under way on the construction of a suspension bridge to carry a pipe line from Oklahoma over the Red River. The two main towers of this bridge are 103 feet high, and it will have a total length, from anchor to anchor, of 1760 feet. Its completion will eliminate the last hazardous river crossing on the Lone Star system.

But, of course, all of this mechanical equipment would be of no avail without a plentiful supply of natural gas. So during this year, 65 wells were drilled to add to the more than 1,000 wells the Lone Star Gas Company already operates in 31 fields.

Now with all of this marvelous equipment and bountiful supply of gas, someone must see that you receive the fullest benefit from both. The gas dispatcher is that man. When a "blue norther" swoops down with breath-taking suddenness, he is the one who sees to it that you have a constant flow of gas. At his command is a small army of telephone operators, compressor station attendants, field men, truck drivers, repair men—all coordinated through 1,200 miles of private telephone wires, that vibrate with rapid-fire orders.

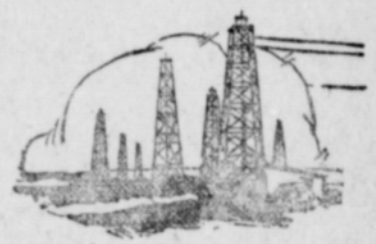
In this mammoth two million-dollar summer construction program of the Lone Star Gas Company, hundreds of men were given employment and hundreds of thousands of dollars paid them in wages.

During the 22 years that the Lone Star Gas Company has been serving the Southwest, it has expended millions of dollars yearly for improving its service to you. Today its investment totals one hundred million dollars!

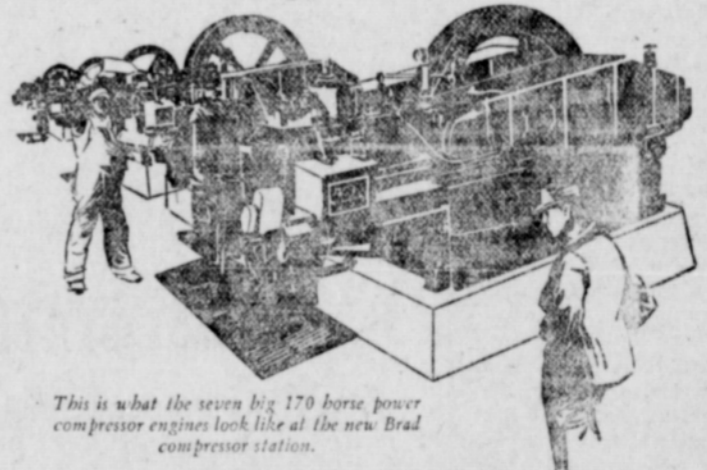
The summer's activities just described are by no means unusual. Every summer new equipment must be purchased and new improvements built. And it was only through this foresighted policy of the Lone Star Gas Company that

it was able to keep a constant flow of gas coming to you through the unexpected bitter cold of last winter when the thermometer went down below zero.

There is one thought that is always uppermost in the minds of every member of the vast Lone Star organization. It is, "the gas must be there"—wherever and whenever it is required by you.



A few of the 65 new gas wells that were added this year to the more than 1,000 already operated by Lone Star.



This is what the seven big 170 horse power compressor engines look like at the new Brad compressor station.



This is the nerve center of the entire Lone Star system. It is the gas dispatcher's office.



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The Extra Christmas Plate

By ROBERT J. C. STEAD

ON THE fourth Christmas in succession Nellie Martin set an extra plate. On past Christmases her husband and the two boys had pretended not to have noticed it. But this year Fred Martin, walking into the big dining room just as his wife was adding the finishing touches to her Christmas table, stopped when his eye fell on the extra plate.

"I think you shouldn't set it, Nellie," he said, gently. "It only reminds us of things we would be better to forget."

Mrs. Martin brushed a capable, floury hand quickly across her eyes. Things would go blurry when she thought of Lucy.

"Let me leave it just once more," she almost pleaded. "It is more than four years now since Lucy went, and every day I am hoping for her back. Particularly at Christmas I like to think that her place is set and waiting for her. Oh, Fred, if we could let her know."

Fred's hand found hers, where it had rested a moment against the table for support. "I know," he said huskily. "I was wrong in turning her out as I did. I thought the honor of the family demanded it. I thought perhaps she would write; that is, if she is still . . ."

He left the sentence unfinished. Death might not have been unwellcome to Lucy, and four years of silence left them to draw their own conclusions.

"Lucy is too proud to write," his wife asserted. "And yet, I have always felt that sometime she would come back. Perhaps at Christmas."



That is the time of year when one just can't help thinking of home."

"If that Blake boy had been any good," Fred lamented. "She was just throwing herself away on him. That is why I gave her the choice of giving him up or getting out. I wanted to save her. And she got out."

"I know," his wife agreed. "You meant it for the best. Arthur Blake was said to be wild and useless, but the Blake's are a good family, and I've often noticed that boys of a good family generally straighten up again, even if they do go a little wild for a while. You know, Fred, when I married you there were people who said you were, well, just a little—"

"But I got a wife like you," her husband answered. "That makes all the difference."

"Yes, and Arthur got a wife like Lucy—if he married her," Nellie Martin insisted. "Let me leave the plate once more. I'm not giving up hope—"

At that moment the boys were heard coming in by the kitchen door. There were muffled voices, and a sound as though they were helping some one.

George, the elder, appeared in the dining room door, and his face summoned his mother.

"Some one here to see you, Mom," he said, in an awed voice.

In the kitchen Mrs. Martin found a woman sitting on a chair, her head turned away, her figure enclosed in a



frayed cloth coat. Soberly she crossed the kitchen floor and turned the head to her eyes.

"Lucy!" she cried. "Lucy—" The girl made as though she would speak, but seemed overcome. Her mother dropped to her knees beside her, chaffing her hands, speaking words of endearment, crying for Fred and the boys.

"We found her in the snow, just between the barn and the house," the boys explained. "She seemed to have fallen there."

But right then Lucy seemed to come to life. She sprang to her feet.

"Mother—Dad—I can't keep it from you any longer. Please help me off with my coat."

Willing hands drew it from her shoulders. "Why, Lucy!" her mother exclaimed, "you are well dressed."

"Well enough, mother. You see, Arthur wanted to be sure how you would receive your erring daughter before he would agree to come in."

"Arthur!" "Yes. He is in the cutter with little Nellie, just beyond the wind-break. Boys, will you run and tell him?"

The boys dashed off, but Fred Martin seemed the most excited of all. "Two extra plates, Mother!" he shouted. "Two extra plates—and a high chair!"

NOTICE OF ESTRAY SALE

Notice is hereby given that the County Commissioner of Preet. No. 3, of Callahan County, Texas, will sell to the highest cash bidder on the First Monday in January, 1931, the 5th day of January, 1931 between the hours of Two and Four o'clock P. M. at the Farm of R. C. Wylie, about 8 miles North-west of Putnam, said estray being described as follows:

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GRIGGS HOSPITAL NEWS

Mrs. Marshall Manning who underwent a major operation on Thursday of last week, is convalescing and will probably be removed to her home today.

Joe Ruth Arvin, the little seven year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Arvin who has been ill for the past two weeks entered the hospital Wednesday for treatment. X-ray showed the little girl was suffering from mastoid trouble. Dr. Leggett, specialist, of Abilene, was called and performed a minor operation and at this writing, she is doing nicely.

Mrs. A. H. Supplee, was a patient Tuesday. X-ray of her arm which was injured in a car wreck at Mineral Wells on Wednesday of last week, in which she received lacerations on the face and a fractured fore arm. The arm was set at the time, but pained her so severely she came to the hospital for treatment. X-ray showed the bone splintered and the arm out of place.

Mrs. A. H. Warren, who was a surgical patient for several days, has returned to her home at Dressy.

Carl B. Shelton, two year old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Shelton, living on the Williams ranch north of Baird, was a surgical patient Saturday.

Fabin Bell was a patient Saturday for the adjustment of a fractured collar bone and dislocated shoulder, received in a football game at Putnam last Saturday.

Mrs. C. M. Marsh continues to improve. Mrs. Marsh has been a patient for several weeks.

Uncle George Slaughter, who has been a patient for several weeks, continues to improve and expects to be able to go home for Christmas.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Harris of Admiral, on Dec. 15, 1930, a daughter.

With Baird Baptist

Christmas is almost here and some how, we just feel the spirit of the occasion. Good cheer is the one thing now that everyone should try to give out. Let's put our old sour grouch off now and try to make some baby happy.

We are to start it at our church next Sunday at the morning service. We are to have a program by the Junior B. Y. P. U. and following that we are to take a view of Buckner Orphans Home and make an offering to feed those 700 children. Let every one who possibly can come and bring something to put into this collection. Friend you just simply cannot do a better thing than to feed and clothe an orphan child who is solely dependent. Try it and see how good you feel.

The sermon Sunday night will be on the subject "The First Christmas." What does that first Christmas mean to the world? Just what does it mean to you? I want you to come and worship with us and let us think together about that glorious time.

Well we were delighted with last Sunday's service. Three good services during the day, two at the church and one at Midway. Bro. John W. New, some, one of our State board Evangelists was with us Sunday night and preached for us. We all enjoyed him. He spent the night with the pastor and family and it was a late hour that we kept for we were talking over old times and we just paid no attention to the lateness of the hour.

Well we are to have our Christmas tree Wednesday night of next week and my guess is we are going to have a good time for things are shaping up that way very nicely. On Friday night the 26, the Mexican people are to have a program and Christmas tree at the Baptist church, some Spanish speaking people are coming from Abilene to put on the program. We want a large crowd to be there and see and hear. You are especially invited and we want you not to spurn the invitation. There is a treat for you if you will come and enjoy it.

A Merry Christmas to every one. I hope you are really happy, friend, and that you have the pleasure of making some one else happy.

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Rev. H. H. Summers, of Abilene, filled his regular appointment here Saturday night and Sunday.

Mrs. Ada Alvord, of Abilene and Mrs. O. E. Eastham, of Baird, were guests of L. W. Eastham, Saturday night and Sunday.

Mrs. Willie Higgins and children, of Bayou, spent Friday night and Saturday with Mrs. J. H. Higgins. Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Bradford and daughter, Mona Bess, of Baird, attended church here Sunday and were dinner guest of R. J. Harris and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Coffey, of Cottonwood, spent Sunday in the home of Mrs. Tom Gary.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Black and children, of Baird, attended church here Sunday and were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Black

Grandma Sanders and daughter, Miss Sallie and Miss Nannie Perry, spent Sunday in Abilene.

John Harris, of Clyde, is spending a few days with his father, R. J. Harris.

Mr. and Mrs. John Birchfield, of Turkey Creek, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Higgins last week.

The program at the school house Friday night was enjoyed by a large crowd of people from our community as well as by several from other communities.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Higgins and daughter, Lottie Ruth and Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Smith, were shopping in Cross Plains, Wednesday afternoon.

Lee Coats and Buck Harris sold turkeys at Cross Plains Wednesday.

R. J. Harris attended the 50th anniversary of the Masonic Lodge, Monday night. He with one more are the only ones living that were present when the lodge was organized. He was accompanied by his great-grandson, Roy Higgins.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Harris December 15th, a girl.

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M. S. Leveridge, Pastor

MASONIC MEETING

(concluded from first page)

J. O. Kirkpatrick and M. L. Nettles, of Putnam; Albert Mangrum, R. C. Harris, S. R. Plummer, J. L. Todd, and J. O. Hyde, of Albany; C. A. Sewell, A. H. White of Moran; R. M. White, of Big Lake; Theodore Wilson, Ed Barker, B. M. Stotz, C. B. Wheeler, J. H. Bratton, W. O. Shackelford, E. J. Sharp, B. F. Cox, W. J. Wellmer and W. E. Clayton, of Abilene; Rev. M. S. Leveridge, of Seymour; Tom Price, of Merkel; J. R. Harris, of Loraine; W. J. Patton, Electra; W. A. Thompson, Marietta, Okla.; W. A. Fetterley, Yoakum.

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"I lived only 100 miles from the school, but that was distance then," Mrs. Bass recalls. "The mail came but three times a week. Sometimes there was sighing and crying for the mail. Girls were not supposed to receive letters from any one except the family. However, some did.

"Those graduates of 50 years ago would make a strange sight to the present day lad and lassie," Mrs. Bass observes. "There were girls with little tight waists, starched

petticoats, pantalettes and sunbonnets; gawky boys with tight trouser legs and high heeled boots.

"The faculty consisted of about eight members. Nevertheless the boys and girls learned the great principles of life, and went out with strength to meet life's battles. The courses that were offered included English, Higher Mathematics, Chemistry, Latin, Greek, French and German. "There were scarcely any sports," Mrs. Bass relates. "Town ball and wood chopping developed the boys' muscles. The amusements consisted of concerts and musicals."

Sousa On A Tour At 76

John Phillip Sousa, famed bandmaster and "March King," who perhaps has done more to popularize instrumental music in America than any other man, living or dead, still wields his baton with masterly skill at the age of 76.

Mr. Sousa came into national prominence as leader of the United States Marine Band from 1880 to 1892, during which time he also composed the first of the long list of military marches which are known and played throughout the world. Since leaving the Marines to conduct his own organization, his success has been remarkable.

One striking characteristic of Mr. Sousa's career has been his encouragement of American players and composers. It is said that when he first took charge of the Marine Band there were only two American born musicians in the organization, and when he formed his own band twelve years later only 11 out of 50 were native Americans. On his present tour none of his instrumentalists is foreign born, while nearly one-half of his players are graduates of American Colleges and Universities, it is said.

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