

# The Baird Star.

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## LISTEN IN TO NEW STATION

### Baird Radio Fans, "K.F.R.U.," To Be Installed At Bristow, Oklahoma On Monday

A new Radio Station, "K.F.R.U." will be installed at Bristow, Oklahoma, next Monday, January 5, which will have a special interest for Baird aerial fans, for its programs will be under charge of Mr. Roy C. Griffin, who is well known throughout West Texas and is a grandson of Mrs. H. C. Martin of this city. He is a former newspaper man, and is now Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce and Allied Civic Clubs of Bristow.

The new station is owned and operated by E. H. Rollestone, who is well known in the oil world. "Swan" Johnson, the former operator for "W. J. A. X.," the Union Trust Company of Cleveland, Ohio, will have charge of the Station. Mr. Johnson was the third most popular announcer in America in a recent contest.

"K.F.R.U." is of interest to Texans as it will be one of the most powerful stations in the United States and will divide time with "W. O. A. I." of San Antonio, Texas. "K.F.R.U." is operated by "remote control," and will broadcast programs from the various studios of the Central Southwest.

On the opening night a unique party of Radio Announcers will assemble at Bristow. Among those present will be "The Hired Hand" of "W. B. A. P.," "The Merry Old Chief" of Night Hawk Fame, from "W. O. A. F." and many others.

Station "K.F.R.U." invites constructive criticism and requests that numbers will be given preference in all programs. The new station will be located in the Roland Hotel of Bristow, another \$200,000 enterprise financed and built by Mr. Rollestone.

The cost of the new station will exceed \$50,000, special wall and draperies having been installed to insure perfect broadcasting. The station will be opened and dedicated with a twenty-four hour program.

Many Baird and Callahan County people will be interested in hearing the opening program, as the station will be owned by Mr. Rollestone, who is well known to the oil fraternity and will be directed by Mr. Griffin. The station will be one of the most modern stations in the United States, having the very latest improvements.

### LONE STAR FLYERS FLY OVER CITY

The Lone Star Flyers, with their flying circus, in a three-passenger and five-passenger plane flew over Baird Saturday, finally landing in the Griggs field, southeast of town. There were two planes, a five and a three-passenger.

Sunday they "took up" passengers, aerially venturesome, at \$3 per head, for short spins, but the weather was so cold on terra firma that not many dared risk the unknown temperature of the upper regions.

The aviators were ex-army pilots and were primarily conducting an advertising campaign for Texaco gas and motor oils, for which products F. L. Walker is the Baird agent.

## TEXAS IS VERY CLOSE TO NATIONAL LEADERSHIP

According to a report from the United States Department of Commerce, released for publication yesterday, merchandise exports total over \$163,000,000 for the third quarter of 1924. King Cotton is responsible for this business growth.

Jumping its merchandise exports \$77,698,481 over the figures of the previous three months, Texas seriously challenged the leadership of New York State in export trade for the quarter ending September 30, 1924, according to statistics released yesterday by the Department of Commerce.

Reaching figures of \$163,205,839, Texas was put only \$12,703,341 behind the figures of New York for the quarter under review. At the close of the previous three month period, New York, with figures of \$191,205,699, led Texas by \$105,698,341, when the Lone Star State attained export valuations of \$85,507,358.

King Cotton was chiefly responsible for Texas' climb, and exports for the three months in question for this commodity totalled \$123,302,574, as compared with \$115,424,472 and \$53,780,341 for the first and second quarters of the year, respectively.

The growth in this phase of trade reveals \$69,522,233 increased business for the three months under review the previous quarter. Wheat and flour also registered an increase in foreign sales, and figures for the third quarter were \$13,282,874, as compared with \$1,245,002 for the first quarter, and a negligible amount for the following three months.

Refined petroleum exports, which reach valuations of \$32,907,544 for the two quarters ending June 30, 1924, totaled \$13,815,50650 for the third quarter of the year (crude petroleum \$1,108,546). Wheat exports amounted to \$12,191,976; plank boards and scantlings to \$994,065; sulphur or brimstone to \$813,064, and oil cake and oil cake meal to \$706,085.

The first ten States in the tabulation and amount of exports are: New York, with figures of \$175,909,180; Texas, \$163,205,839; Pennsylvania, \$71,834,632; Illinois, \$70,755,613; California, \$54,374,555; New Jersey, \$49,852,174; Louisiana, \$46,470,829; Michigan, \$39,715,774; Ohio, \$31,071,984, and Massachusetts, \$27,702,446.

These States held the first ten places in the list for the second quarter, although in different order. Since then, New Jersey has dropped from fourth to sixth position; Louisiana, from sixth to seventh place; Michigan from seventh to eighth place.

Grand totals for the first nine months of 1924 gives Texas export values of \$395,968,740, as against \$551,681,312, for New York State for the same time. Texas' total, however, was \$175,100,570 better than that attained by Pennsylvania, its runner-up in the race.

G. P. Clark, Route 1, Clyde, came in yesterday and renewed his subscription to The Baird Star. Mr. Clark subscribed for The Star the year he was married, twenty years ago and has been a subscriber from that time to the present and, another thing, interesting to the publisher, he pays every year.

## RELIGIOUS TABULATION

### Of Baird People, Postponed Because Of Bad Weather To Be Made Next Sunday

The religious census of Baird ordered by the Pastor's Association, of which Rev. P. B. Henderlit, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, is president, which was to have been taken Sunday, December 19, but was postponed on account of the inclement weather that day, will, Deo volente, be taken next Sunday and will mark a red letter day in the religious history of this city.

As announced by the Pastor's Association: "These enumerators will come into your homes as your friends, not as intruders or busybodies asking impertinent questions; they are doing this work unselfishly, for the good of the people and the glory of God."

At a meeting of the Pastor's Association last Wednesday, it was decided to take the census of the city next Sunday, beginning at 2 p. m.

The Star trusts that everybody in Baird will aid the enumerators in every way possible, that a full and complete religious census of the city will be secured.

### JOHN ILEY McWHORTER HAS RESIGNED AS MAYOR OF BAIRD

In its issue of December 12 The Star printed the following proclamation, addressed "To the Citizens of Baird," and signed "J. I. McWhorter, Mayor":

At a regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Baird, to be held at the City Hall, on Thursday, December 18, at 7 o'clock p. m., I shall tender my resignation as Mayor of Baird and give my reasons therefor. Those interested in this matter are invited to be present.

Despite the fact that Thursday night December 18, was cold and blustery, His Honor was on hand at City Hall at the hour specified, to consummate his declared purpose, but there was no quorum present of the City Dads and the Mayor had to postpone his official valed until last Tuesday night.

The full board was on hand Tuesday night and the Mayor tendered his resignation and it was accepted. Mr. McWhorter gave as his reasons for chucking up the job that there was lack of harmony between him and certain members of the Board and he believed that the best interests of Baird could be served by his retirement as Mayor.

In the meantime Baird is Mayorless, as there is some doubt as to what is the legal way to fill the vacancy. Until this matter is settled Alderman F. L. Driskill will act as Mayor pro tem.

### LITTLE BABY DIES

Arvin Holloway, age 10 months and 18 days, the baby boy of Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Holloway, living on the Bayou, died at an early hour Sunday morning, Dec. 28, 1924, after a short illness. Funeral services were held at 4 o'clock Sunday evening at the Belle Plaine cemetery.

The bereaved parents have the sincere sympathy of all in the death of their baby boy.

## THREE BAIRD BOYS KILL SIXTY-SEVEN RATTLES

Three Baird boys, Lawson Williams, Roy Garrett and Isaac Moon must be awarded champion belts as rattlesnake slayers and they were not hunting the reptiles either, but were out on a polecat hunt last Monday, being armed with target rifles.

At the base of a rocky hill, about six miles northeast of Baird, they scented the acrid odor of the little striped animal they were in search of. They followed the scent and it led them to a hole at the foot of a rocky ledge.

As they dug down another odor was mingled with that of the polecat and presently their ears were assailed with a chorus of rattles and they discovered that they had uncovered a den of rattlesnakes.

One boy dug carefully down, enlarging the hole, while his two companions flanked him with cocked rifles.

A big rattler's head appeared and for the next ten minutes the boy did nothing but shoot. After nearly all their ammunition had been shot away the rattling ceased and they used a hoe to drag out the slain.

Sixty-seven of the reptiles had been slaughtered, from four and a half feet in length down to six inches.

Two skunks were found, but they were dead—very much so.

The boys brought the snakes back to town strung along the sides of the racing car they were driving and attracted a great deal of attention.

### SENIOR EPWORTH LEAGUE

Sunday, Jan. 4, 1925, the following program will be presented:

Subject: Beginning the New Year.  
Leader: Mrs. Otho B. Lidia.  
Song: Stepping in the Light.  
Scripture Reading: Romans xiii: 1-4; Jewel Grimes.  
Prayer: Ben L. Russell, Jr.  
Remarks: Leader.  
Song.

Talk: Rev. W. J. Mayhew.  
League Benediction.

All young people of the Methodist Church are urged to attend the Epworth League.

### W. R. McDERMOTT DIED IN FORT WORTH THIS MORNING

Judge B. L. Russell received a telephone message today from Mrs. Dollie Briganee, of Fort Worth, saying that her father, W. R. McDermott, died this morning and the body would be brought to Baird for burial in the family lot in Ross cemetery, arriving here on the Sunshine Special tomorrow night. The body will be taken to the Schwartz Undertaking Parlor until the funeral hour, 2:30 Sunday afternoon, at the Baptist Church. Burial by the Baird Masonic Lodge.

Mr. McDermott came to this county at an early day, and has many friends here who will regret to learn of his death.

### MARRIED

Miss Perle Cleveland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Y. Cleveland, of Baird, was married to Mr. M. A. Lea, of Spur, Texas, Wednesday evening, December 24, 1924, Rev. W. J. Mayhew, officiating. They will make their home at Spur, where Mr. Lea is manager for the Electric Light Co.

## PRE-SCHOOL CONFERENCE

### Is To Be Held By Nurses At Schwartz Building And All Should Attend Meets

Miss Stella Carter, Callahan County's Trained Nurse and her associate will hold a Pre-school Conference at the Schwartz Building, tomorrow (Saturday, January 3), from 10 to 12 a. m. and from 3 to 5 p. m. In connection with these meetings, Miss Carter, in an interview with a Star reporter said:

"We are having the morning hours as first Saturday is the only day we have for the County Committee Meeting and this must come in the afternoon.

"If those living in town can conveniently come in the morning it would be appreciated, and we would have more time for out-of-town people in the afternoon.

"Mothers should start the New Year right by bringing their babies to the Conference.

"We are," concluded Miss Carter, "very much pleased with the interest that has been shown in the birth registration work, and now is the time for those who have non-registered children to have them attended to. Mothers can attend to registering the births of their children whether they attend the Conference or not. If there is something they do not understand the County Clerk or the County Nurse will be glad to explain."

### A DOUBLE CELEBRATION BIRTHDAY AND CHRISTMAS

One of the notable events of the holiday season at Baird was the double celebration on Christmas Day of the 1924th anniversary of the birth of the Son of Man and the 73d birthday of A. W. Howell, at his residence, south of town.

At the close of the bountiful noon repast a large cake, ablaze with birthday candles, was placed in front of Mr. Howell, reminding him that he had "discovered America" 73 years ago on Christmas Day.

After dinner those present flocked to the front yard, where a growing Christmas tree had been heavily laden with gifts for every one. The remainder of the day was spent in enjoying the company of the relatives.

Those who had the pleasure of spending the day with Mr. Howell and his sons, James and Paul, were: Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Reed; Eva, Leslie, Se'lon, Clayton and Elizabeth Reed; Mr. and Mrs. V. F. Jones; Clifford and Curtis Jones; Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Hill; Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Jones; Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Reed, and Mr. A. T. Young.

### FORMER DISTRICT CLERK IS DEAD

Wilburn Taylor, former District Clerk of Callahan County, died at Abilene, after an operation for appendicitis, and was buried in Ross Cemetery Tuesday.

Wilburn Taylor was a brother of Mrs. Perry Barton and lived in the Denton neighborhood.

# Good Bye 1924 HELLO 1925

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## DAVIS PLURALITY IN TEXAS 350,185

Third Party Reduces Coolidge's Total  
Below That of Harding Four  
Years Ago.

Washington.—President Coolidge polled more votes in the November election than his two principal competitors combined, and had a popular plurality of 7,339,827—the largest ever given a presidential candidate.

Complete official returns show the vote for Mr. Coolidge was 15,718,789 compared to 8,378,962 for John W. Davis and 4,822,319 for Robert M. La Follette. The total popular vote for the three leading candidates was 28,920,070. In 1920, for all candidates, it was 26,711,183.

Despite the record-breaking plurality for Coolidge, which was 334,980 more than given Warren G. Harding four years ago, the Coolidge total was 433,411 less than that of Harding due to the presence in the

field of a third powerful ticket. Harding's total was 16,152,200.

Davis received a smaller vote by 768,391 than did James M. Cox in 1920. The total for Cox was 9,147,363.

Texas gave Davis his largest plurality—350,185.

La Follette's exceeded by 696,299 the 4,126,020 given Theodore Roosevelt in 1912 when he headed a third ticket, but the La Follette strength was distributed as to make a negligible showing in the electoral vote. Roosevelt ranked second to Woodrow Wilson and far ahead of William H. Taft.

In twelve States La Follette polled more votes than did Davis and in New York was given more votes than in his home State of Wisconsin—the only State credited to him in the electoral college.

Analysis of the returns shows that Coolidge received 54.4 per cent of the total vote of the three leading candidates. Davis had 29.0 per cent and La Follette 16.6 per cent.

In 1920 Harding had 61.6 per cent and Cox 34.9 per cent of all votes cast. In 1912 Taft had 25.1 per cent Wilson 45.2 and Roosevelt 29.7 per cent.

### Battery A Leads in Firing.

Lawton, Ok.—Battery A of the First Field Artillery, which was considered the best firing battery at the Field Artillery School at Fort Sill last year, continues to lead in firing to date, both for the month of December when it averaged 4.8 out of a possible 5 and for the firing season to date, in which its average is 4.61. It continues to lead other firing batteries. Battery D, First Field Artillery, was second with a December average of 4.73 and for season's firing is 4.56.

### Fifteen Survive Mother.

Dournaux, France.—The unusual sight has just been seen here of fifteen children following their mother's coffin to the grave. Madame Pierre Le Carre died at the age of 46. She had been the mother of eighteen children and fifteen survived her.

## COOLIDGE CONFIDENT ON COLOGNE STATUS

America, However, Concerned Over  
Matter as One Affecting  
Welfare of Europe.

Washington.—President Coolidge is confident that a satisfactory arrangement will be reached by the allied nations and Germany with respect to evacuation of the Cologne bridgehead.

This confidence on the part of the President is based on the ability shown by the European Governments within recent months to reach agreements affecting their own welfare, beginning with the arrangement to submit the reparations problem to a committee of experts, the general adoption of the report of that committee and the willingness to begin payments under the Dawes plan.

The American Government has no official interest in the question of the Cologne evacuation and consequently no action by the United States is required or contemplated on the matter. The United States, however, has a general interest in anything affecting the welfare of Europe and, accordingly, officials in Washington will give attention in an unofficial way to the action to be taken by the council of Ambassadors at its meeting in Paris and to the forthcoming final reports of the military control commission concerning the status of German disarmaments.

## GEORGE E. CHRISTIAN AND L. C. SUTTON APPOINTED

George E. Christian and L. C. Sutton  
to Be on Attorney General's  
Staff.

Austin, Texas.—Appointment of George B. Christian of Burnet as an Assistant Attorney General and authorization of the statement that L. C. Sutton at present a member of Attorney General W. A. Keeling's staff of assistants, would be retained, have been made by Attorney General-Elect Dan Moody. Several days ago Mr. Moody announced the appointment of Wright Morrow of Austin as a member of his official family.

Mr. Christian was for five years District Attorney of the Thirty-Third Judicial District. He is a grandson of the late A. R. Johnson of Burnet and was an officer in the 344th Machine Gun Battalion, Ninth Division, which served overseas during the World War. Mr. Christian graduated from the law department of the University of Texas, class of 1910.

Friends of Mr. Sutton are congratulating him upon his retention as an Assistant Attorney General and Attorney General Keeling as well as other members of the department are outspoken in laudits to Mr. Sutton for the service he has rendered the State during his long connection with the State's legal department. Mr. Sutton is a recognized authority on election problems, they point out, and has satisfactorily handled many intricate questions on that subject presented to the department. In addition to writing opinions on the numerous inquiries for construction of election laws, Mr. Sutton has advised on many other equally important matters, and took a leading part in representing the State in the Mayfield election controversy and the attack made on the eligibility of Mrs. Miriam A. Ferguson to hold the office of Governor of Texas.

### Blind "See" First Moving Picture.

New York.—Twelve hundred blind men, women and children sat in a darkened theatre and "saw" their first motion picture. The reading of an atmospheric narrative, with rhythmic arrangement, together with special music, enabled the audience to conceive the story as it was unrolled on the screen. The company which produced it intends to make another picture which will be arranged especially for blind audiences.

### Pershing Tours Peru.

Lima, Peru.—Gen. Pershing, head of the American delegation at the celebration of the 100th anniversary of Peru's independence, left for a tour of the southern provinces. He was accompanied by Dr. Alberto Gleseke, Director General of Education officially appointed as his aid.

### To Remove Legal Disqualifications.

Temple, Texas.—Mrs. Miriam A. Ferguson, Governor-elect of Texas, has petitioned the District Court of Bell County for removal of all local disqualifications in making contracts that might arise from her status as a married woman.

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## A New Year's Ball

By  
ELEANOR E. KING

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**S**UCH a New Year's ball should  
and only could be put on by  
artists. The whole pageant, in  
fact, which was begun at twelve  
o'clock to usher in the New Year, was  
a riot of color; a splendid beginning  
to put before the incoming year. But  
one group in particular, was much  
more entrancing than all the others to  
Archie. Besides the beauty, original-  
ity and color of costumes, this group  
contained a girl named Gaynor. To-  
night, mid makeup and the glamour of  
the occasion, she was exceptionally  
lovely. Gaynor had left the dance floor  
now to get ready for the pageant.  
Archie, watching the throngs all about  
him, as they laughed and gayly danced  
around the hall, happened on a good  
idea. Throwing back his head he  
laughed heartily. Then, noticing that  
the gaze of the people was on him he  
made his way upstairs.

Archie, thoroughly saturated with  
the atmosphere of enthusiasm pervad-  
ing the evening was now making his  
entry into the third box. He had vis-  
ited the other two, gently suggesting  
what was in store for them in the  
presentation of this special group in  
which he was interested. He laid the  
foundation for their approval, then  
moved onto the next box. With his  
pleasing personality and charm, he  
had the faculty of making friends very  
easily.

"This is a very clever group on  
you. Nice color, etc., but, I don't  
know; in looking behind the scenes, I  
am thinking, the fifty-dollar prize will  
be awarded to the very next group  
that is to appear on the stage."

Talking with much authority as an  
artist, he endeavored to explain the  
niceties of the forthcoming composi-  
tion. In like manner did Archie pre-  
sent his ideas to forty or more well-  
filled boxes.

The pageant over, the wail of the  
saxophone again proclaimed dancing  
in order. Archie, with hawklike per-  
ception, located Gaynor and made  
his way to her. The crowds were  
so great in the immense ballroom  
that not one inch of floor space re-  
mained. It could hardly be called  
dancing, but Archie and Gaynor  
never noticed a little thing like  
the crowd. They were reunited  
again, and of course, had much  
to talk about.

"Gaynor, you simply have no  
idea the impression your Sea Group  
made on this audience. No other group  
won the applause you received. I could  
tell, they were just carried away with  
it."

In about an hour's time a thump of  
the drum announced that some one  
on the orchestra platform had some-  
thing to say.

"Ladies and gentlemen. The mem-  
bers in the boxes were asked to act as  
the judges in awarding the fifty-dollar  
prize to the best group in the pageant  
tonight. The vote cast was unanimous  
for the 'Sea Group.'"

Gaynor clutched Archie's arm rather  
forcefully. So much so, in fact, that  
Archie made haste to remove it.

"Isn't that grand, Archie? I really  
never dreamed of having such a thing  
happen. To think our little group of  
thirty-two could carry off the honors  
like that. That is the most wonder-  
ful inspiration and start for the New  
Year. That is a real incentive to  
work hard all the year, isn't it  
Archie?" she said, squeezing his arm.  
She never would know.

### New Year Prayer

So teach us to number our days that  
we may apply our hearts to wisdom.  
—Moses.

### Cleburne Population 17,984

Cleburne, Texas.—The population  
of Cleburne at the opening of 1925,  
five years after the last decennial cen-  
sus, is 17,984, an increase of 5,128,  
or 40 per cent over the 12,820 given  
in the United States enumeration of  
January, 1920, according to a survey  
just completed by the Cleburne Cham-  
ber of Commerce. The estimate for  
1925 includes a territory adjacent to  
the city proper. The survey is based  
on statistics from local sources.

## New Year's Eve With Mother

By  
MARION R. REAGAN

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**J**ENKINS kicked a piece of ice  
playfully along the road 'til it  
rolled into the gutter to escape  
his teasing foot. "New Year's Eve  
party at the Colonial tonight! Hot  
dog!" All the swells would be there;  
in fact everybody of any account in  
all of Blair county. And she—of  
course—she would be there, too. The  
mere thought of Jane Bendon sent  
the blood tingling through his veins.  
He began to walk a little faster, the  
cold, crisp wind whizzing around his  
ears. What would ma say? Wouldn't  
she be proud of her son? Invited to a  
party at the Colonial! It was a so-  
cial distinction never bestowed on a  
Jenkins before.

Arrived at the farm, he ran eagerly  
into the house to tell the glad news.  
It was dark inside, very dark, after  
the dazzling gleam of snow outside.  
He hesitated a minute to adjust him-  
self. "Oh, ma!" he called loudly.  
There was no response. Then a door  
closed softly upstairs—his mother's  
door—and his father came down the  
steps.

"Ssh! Not so much noise," he cau-  
tioned. "Your mother's sick."

"Sick?" It was an unheard-of thing  
for her to be sick. She was always so  
robust; always so jolly and well.

"Come in here," said his father seri-  
ously and motioned him into the sit-  
ting room. "See here, Jim, ma's pretty  
sick. Ain't sure yet what it is, but

I'm going down  
to Blowsville and  
bring up a real  
doctor—a special-  
ist. No use fool-  
in'. I'm going to-  
night. You'll have  
to stay here with  
ma."

"Oh, why, say,  
I can't, dad, I—  
I—"

"Nonsense!  
Would you leave  
your mother alone  
on New Year's  
Eve, and her  
sick?"

Jim was silent.  
This was some-  
thing he had not

counted on. Of course he could not  
leave his mother alone, but the party  
at the Colonial—it was not a thing  
one could easily pass up, either. He  
turned away, left the room and ran  
noiselessly upstairs to his little den.  
There in quiet he could face the situ-  
ation and think it out.

It was impossible, simply impos-  
sible to decline that party. It would  
be an event in his life. And one had  
to have some social life. He had  
never had any—never played around  
like most boys of his age. There had  
been only work, work, work for him  
always. Surely no one would deprive  
him of this one chance of fun—least  
of all his mother. At the thought of  
her, his face became a little softer.  
Dear, old ma; was she very sick? he  
wondered. Suppose anything should  
happen to her. The thought was too  
terrible. He dismissed it. After all  
he was young. He would have many  
more New Year Eves to spend as he  
chose, while she—she would not have  
so many. And how she would appre-  
ciate his staying in with her! It would  
be the sort of thing he could look



## YOU TELL 'EM



"A dog fills an  
empty space in a  
man's life  
—especially a hot dog!"

I takes one of our

## Sunday Dinners

to fill the empty space in hungry  
man's stomach.

Try it next Sunday—you can't  
help but be pleased with what  
you get—because we take partic-  
ular care to prepare our dishes  
from the very best foodstuffs,  
and there is ever present an in-  
sistent desire on our part to  
please the palate of the most  
fastidious. Come in.

"TEMPTING SERVICE"

## Murphy's Cafe

back on later in life with satisfaction.

The door opened and his father  
came in. "Well, Jim, I've got the  
team hitched and all ready to start  
for Blowsville," he announced. "Are  
you going to stay with ma?"

"Why, of course I am, dad, of  
course."

The old man patted his son on the  
shoulder with some pride. Jim only  
laughed lightly and walked toward  
his mother's room, a sparkle in his  
eye, and his whole face lit up with  
the comforting feeling of a decision  
well made.

The \$55,000,000 rivers and harbors  
bill will come up in the House about  
January 15, Representative Long-  
worth, Ohio, Republican floor lead-  
er, announced to the House.

Manufacturers, merchants, econo-  
mists and representatives of the con-  
suming public have been invited by  
the Chamber of Commerce of the  
United States to attend a National  
conference on distribution here Jan.  
14 and 15 to consider future econo-  
mics and improved methods in mar-  
keting.

The Senate put aside business for  
a time while Senators paid tribute  
to Samuel Gompers. Senators Stan-  
ley, Kentucky; Dill, Washington;  
Norris, Nebraska; Heflin, Alabama,  
and others spoke, all of them prais-  
ing the labor leader's fidelity to his  
work and his fight for American in-  
stitutions.

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With all the Trimmings will be  
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### NEW T. & P. TRAIN SCHEDULE.

#### EAST BOUND

Train No.	Arrives	Depart
2	10:55 a. m.	11:05 a. m.
4	12:50 p. m.	1:00 p. m.
6	2:00 a. m.	2:05 a. m.
16	12:30 a. m.	12:35 a. m.

#### WEST BOUND

1	7:15 p. m.	7:25 p. m.
3	3:30 p. m.	3:40 p. m.
5	4:35 a. m.	4:40 a. m.
15	3:35 a. m.	3:40 a. m.

West bound trains Nos. 1 and 5  
go to El Paso. Train No. 15 stops  
at Big Spring and Train No. 3 goes  
only as far as Sweetwater.

Trains Nos. 3 and 5 west bound  
and 4 and 6 east bound, are mail  
carriers.



## Old Father Time

MOVES THE YEAR-HAND UP ANOTHER NOTCH

and many of us sigh: "1924 flew by quickly." We  
hope however it was good year for you and that 1925  
will be still a better one, bringing happiness, health  
and the opportunity of making others happy.

## RAY'S GARAGE

W. J. RAY, Prop.

Phone 33

Baird, Texas

## Laundry Announcement

We are establishing a Laundry Service in Baird  
and Clyde. Mr. J. L. Glover is in charge of this service  
and lives in Baird.

It is our plan to operate a daily service. That  
means that Mr. Glover will come to our Plant in Abilene  
every day. We think we can in this way offer you a ser-  
vice that will please you when you come to be accustomed  
to it.

We are not establishing this service as an experi-  
ment, but you may depend on it being a regular service  
that will last.

Mr. Glover's Telephone is No. 131. Phone him and  
he will call and get your bundles and explain to you the  
different kinds of service we offer you and he will also  
quote you prices.

## Abilene Laundry Co.

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**NEW YEAR'S GREETING**

We wish all readers of The Star a happy and prosperous New Year, that will extend to December 31st, and as much longer as you want.

We wish to thank our readers and advertisers for their patronage in the past, that have made it possible for us to stay on the job for thirty-seven years and to start on the thirty-eighth year, determined to give better service than ever before.

May good luck hit the whole bunch of you and every one in Baird and Callahan County this year, whether you are a patron of The Star or not.

The newspapers are full of optimism about prosperity for this year. Good! Let them boost. Panics and prosperity are largely a state of mind among the people. You can preach hard times and hard luck until people will get both, if continued long enough. So with good times. If all or a majority of the people believe that good times are coming this year and will stick to it and boost—Providence permitting—we will see the greatest prosperity this year since the bottom fell out of the post-war business boom in 1920.

We do not want to see a business boom like that, because that was unreal, unsound—because people lost their senses. Prices soared, wages ditto, and no one was really benefited, except those who were in debt and had sense enough to pay out while paying was easy.

What we hope to see this year is a healthy, sound business revival; the only kind that really endures and the only kind that helps a country.

In slave times, with crude farming implements, the farms counted 14 to 25 acres to the hand, the crops being mainly corn and cotton, with cotton as the main crop. In those days no farmer would plant more cotton than he could gather with his own force and there were few if any transient cotton pickers.

Every thing has changed now. A farmer with no help feels lost unless he has at least fifty acres in cultivation—often twice that—and the result is that he often raises more cotton than he can gather and has to depend upon hired labor to gather his crop and sometimes labor is scarce or so costly as to absorb most of the profits.

Intensive farming, with less acres in cotton and more in grain, would seem to be the ideal plan for this section. While the writer was raised on a farm, we do not presume to

advise the farmer how to farm now, because conditions have changed since we quit farming 44 years ago.

**THE FLIGHT OF TIME**

We see no difference between today and yesterday, yet yesterday, at midnight last night, became yesterday. At midnight, last night, the Old Year, 1924, passed on into history and the eternity of the past, and a new year took its place.

How little we note the flight of time. While busy with life's problems we give little thought to the days, weeks, months and years as they glide swiftly by us. In youth time drags with leaden feet, but, as we grow older, seemingly the years pass more swiftly, but it is because we have more thought for the things of life and consequently give less heed to the flight of time.

"Think not thy time short in this world, since the world itself is not long. The created world is but a small parenthesis in Eternity and a short interposition, for a time, between such a time of duration as was before it and may be after it."—Sir Thomas Brown's Christian Morals.

Nineteen Twenty-four has passed on. It was a good year for most of us, and let us hope that Nineteen Twenty five will be as good or better. We wish you, one and all, a happy, prosperous New Year and that it will include every one of the 365 days in 1925.

Every farmer knows that intensive farming pays, but the Dallas News, at considerable expense, has proven it, by giving a prize of one thousand dollars for the best cotton crop on five acres of unirrigated land in Texas.

J. W. McFarlane of Anderson County, won the prize, 5,081 pounds of lint cotton on his five acres; but a West Texas farmer gave him a close race, by raising 5,041 pounds on his five acres. Fewer acres and better cultivation is the way to prosperity.

It requires considerable courage these cold mornings to hop out from under the warm blankets, long before day, dress hurriedly in a cold room and auto-ride five or six miles out into the "sticks," where you gather up dry sticks, build a fire at the first attempt—maybe—and gather about the blaze, roasting on one side and freezing on the other, and getting smoke in your eyes, and when the coffee has "biled" sitting around in the most uncomfortable of positions, to eat a "sunrise breakfast, out in the wide open spaces, where men are men," and doesn't particularly appeal to this writer—but, it's all the rage with the younger set, and as they cheerfully pay the freight, why worry?

**FRIENDS MAKE MRS. BERRY'S 63d BIRTHDAY A HAPPY ONE**

Mrs. Sue Berry was pleasantly surprised on her 63d birthday, Wednesday afternoon, December the 17th, when she was entertained at a surprise party, at the home of Mrs. W. H. Berry, which was beautifully decorated in pink and orange.

The afternoon was pleasantly spent, "contests" being played, each guest relating some memorable incident in her life. Delightful refreshments were served to the following guests:

Mesdames D. C. Barton, J. R. McFarlane, M. J. Holmes, Hotchkiss, M. G. Farmer, Ed Yarbrough, Bob Cutbirth, O. B. Garrett, O. C. Yarbrough, W. V. Walls, Ed Alexander, W. H. Berry and the guest of honor.

The decorative candles used represented, in their soft brilliance, 134 years of human life and experience in the past two days that had become history, having been used the Monday previous at Mrs. W. A. Hinds' 71st birthday celebration.

**"GONE TO HEAVEN, I KNOW"**

The above named song, the words and music of which were composed by Mrs. Geo. Thomas, daughter of the late Mrs. J. M. Cummings, was, at the deceased lady's dying request, sung at her funeral by Mrs. Thomas and her daughter, Miss Mattie, and is reproduced at the request of many who heard it.

My soul is so happy in Jesus today,  
With love does my heart overflow,  
My soul is so happy,  
My way is so bright,  
I'm going to Heaven I know.

Chorus:  
Oh! wonderful thought,  
Oh! perfect delight,  
With love doth my heart overflow,  
My soul is so happy,  
My way is so bright,  
I'm going to Heaven I know.

With my dear mother just over the tide,  
Some day I'll meet her I know,  
Then smiling I'll be,  
As I go on my way,  
I'm going to Heaven I know.

Chorus:  
What a grand reunion  
That will be some day,  
When we all meet around that Great Throne,  
There'll be no more parting,  
No sorrow or death,  
I'm going to Heaven I know.

**ANNIE THERESE DAVAULT COMING FOR A RECITAL**

Annie Therese Davault, the noted dramatic reader and interpreter of great plays, will visit Baird on the evening of Thursday, January 8, at the School Auditorium, in one of her dramatic recitals, under the auspices of the Wednesday Club.

Miss Davault comes to Baird with the finest recommendations as to her ability. Her present Lyceum tour has been a glittering success, and everywhere her audiences have been profuse in commending her work as of the highest. She is unquestionably one of the most talented readers of character delineations of the day. She has that rare gift of controlling the emotions of her audience at will, bringing laughter, smiles, tears and heartaches.

She appears in many popular successes of the standard drama notably "The Music Master," "Peg o' My Heart," "The Melting Pot" and "Polly of the Circus." It is hard to tell in which one of her masterly productions her work appears at its best. She does them all with an artistry which astonishes critics and lovers of high class dramatic work.

A discerning newspaper critic on a large Southern daily sized up the art of Miss Davault in the following paragraph: "The audience at the Auditorium to hear Miss Davault was one of the most attentive that has come under the spell of an auditorium artist in a long time. Possibly any and all criticism of Miss Davault's work may be summed up in the simple statement that the eyes of many men in the audience were moist."

The Attica, Indiana, Daily Ledger, said of her: "Annie Therese Davault gave the best reading ever given at our Chatauqua. Her art is the art that conceals art, perhaps, but she made a strong appeal to the audience."

**MISS HELEN JAMES HOSTESS TO HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR CLASS**

The members of the Senior Class of Baird High School were delightfully entertained with a Christmas party, at the home of Miss Helen James, on Tuesday evening, December 23d.

Miss James proved to be a most hospitably fascinating hostess, entertaining her guests in various original ways until a late hour, when delicious refreshments were served.

These were the guests: Misses Louise Bell, Saloma Alexander, Rossa Faye Enoch, Nina McFarlane,

Bianche Jones, Eules Stephens and Mary Darby; Messrs. Harold Ray, Arvin Melton, Howard LaLonde, L. G. Barnhill, Weldon White and Gaines Short.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to thank our friends for the kindness shown us during the illness and after the death of our dear little baby son.

May heaven's richest blessings rest upon you.  
Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Holloway and Family.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Lampe of Wichita Falls, were the supper guests of the Oscar Nitschkes Monday night. Mr. Lampe is a cousin of the Nitschkes and the eldest son of the Mrs. George Lampe, who died recently at Arlington. He is a representative of the Marmon car in Texas and motored down from Abilene to visit his esteemed relatives, going back to Abilene after a few hours' enjoyment of the Nitschke hospitality.

The Baird doctors report that there is an epidemic of grip in the city and T. and P. Railway Physician R. L. Griggs reports that he has many patients among the railroad men.

**Do You Know Just Where All Your Money Went In 1924?**

You do—if you paid all your bills by checks and filled out the check stubs properly.

If you didn't pay by check last year, now is a good time to start, so that you'll have a record of all your 1925 expenditures. Open your Checking Account at this sound National Bank at once

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PHONE 23.

BAIRD, TEXAS.

The Old Year Is Gone

and its opportunities went with it, but  
the experience of the days of '24 re-  
main with us and we trust we may  
profit by them to the end that we may  
serve you better.

The New Year Is Here

with its new hopes, new ambitions  
and new opportunities. We hope that  
it will bring you new riches and greater  
joys. We want to serve you.

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## PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Jones, of  
Fort Worth, are visiting relatives  
here this week.

Frank S. Russell of Rowden, who  
is a progressive farmer, was in town  
Monday and Tuesday.

Mrs. W. O. Miller has returned  
from Midland, where she spent the  
holidays with friends.

Mrs. George Page of Dallas, was  
the holidays guest of her parents,  
City Marshal and Mrs. Charles W.  
Conner.

Mrs. Callie Windham and children  
of Tecumseh, visited Mrs. Windham's  
sister, Mrs. F. M. Reynolds, last  
Saturday.

Mr. J. P. Tabor, of Clyde, was a  
pleasant caller at The Star office  
Monday. Mr. Tabor has charge of  
the gin stands at Citizens Gin Co.,  
which has ginned 1492 bales of cot-  
ton.

Miss Eva Reed, after spending  
the holidays with the home folks,  
returned to Putnam Sunday to re-  
sume her duties as teacher in the  
public school.

J. B. Walker, of Texola, came in  
Sunday night for his annual visit to  
his brothers and sister, Messers. J.  
A., F. L., J. P., and Miss Susie  
Walker, and other relatives and  
friends.

Take advantage of George W. Sy-  
monds' Fort Worth Star-Telegram  
Bargain Subscription Offer, adver-  
tised elsewhere in The Star, which  
expires Monday, January 5.

The Mayor's proclamation forbid-  
ding the running at large of unmu-  
zled or unvaccinated dogs, seems to  
be more honored in the breach than  
in the observance, although the pen-  
alty, which does not seem to be en-  
forced, is death for the dog!

Mrs. M. E. Crawford, of Eagle  
Cove, has moved to Baird to give  
her children the advantage of our  
splendid schools. Mrs. Crawford's  
father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J.  
B. Fulcher, make their home with  
her.

Special Census Enumerator for  
Callahan County, B. L. Russell, Jr.,  
reports that up to December 13,  
1924, 15,571 bales of cotton had  
been ginned in the County, as com-  
pared with 12,048 bales ginned at  
the same period in 1923, a gain of  
3,523 bales.

Mrs. Mollie Lacefield of Central  
City, Ky. visited her niece, Mrs.  
W. Y. Cleveland, of Baird, during  
the holidays. Mrs. Cleveland had  
not seen her aunt in 48 years and  
her visit was a most pleasant sur-  
prise. Mrs. Lacefield is 71 years old  
and this was her first visit to Texas.  
She was accompanied by her great-  
nephew, Walter Hale, of Denton  
county.

Mrs. Bert Phillips and her ambi-  
tious and accomplished daughters,  
the Misses Ruby and Alpha Mae, of  
Fort Worth, who spent the holidays  
with their husband and father, at  
Putnam, came up to Baird Saturday  
and were the guests of the Frank E.  
Stanleys and other friends.

Because of the prevalence of in-  
fluenza in the city the Old Year died  
and the New Year was born last  
Wednesday night without the ac-  
claim of shrieking whistles, stac-  
cato shots and the usual unearthly  
clamor. A dance from ten p. m.  
till two a. m. was the only public  
celebration, although the fire siren  
sounded feebly and there were a num-  
ber of private "watch parties."

Fire Marshal E. D. Merrill in-  
forms The Star that he has been di-  
rected by the State Fire Commis-  
sioner to report to him the number  
of business houses and residences in  
Baird using gas as an illuminant or  
for fuel purposes who make main  
connections through rubber hose,  
and he says further that from the  
tenor of his instructions that there  
is a penalty for rubber hose gas con-  
nections and that the penalty is  
heavier in the business portion of  
the city than in the residential sec-  
tion.

# -Sale-

The biggest sale that ever  
hit the City. Beginning  
Saturday Morning  
January 3rd.

and continuing for one week  
only. Everything in this  
store, except Gustin Boots  
and Stetson Hats, will be on  
sale at Slashed Prices.

See our big circular with prices  
quoted. The following is a  
few of the items to be on the  
circular, as we do not have  
the space to give more:

## DRESSES

33 1-3 Per Cent off on every Dress in the house

## LADIES' COATS

25 Per Cent off on all Ladies' Coats. Come early  
and get your size

## SUITS

\$37.50 Suits for	-	\$30.00
30.00 Suits for	-	24.00
18.00 Suits for	-	11.90

## MEN'S SHOES

One Lot formerly \$14.00 now \$3.14  
Other Shoes at reduced prices. Ladies Shoes a  
big reduction

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## Notice To The Public

I have sold my Ford Sales and Service Station in Baird to the Shaw Motor Company, who will continue the business under the able management of Mr. H. H. Shaw, formerly of Gorman. In retiring from this business, which I established in Baird some 18 years ago, I wish to thank my friends and patrons for the splendid patronage given me and for their friendship during the many years in business. I hope you will give to my successors the splendid patronage and freindship given me.

I still have my Ford Service Station in Clyde and will continue to sell Ford Products under the Shaw Motor Co.

Wishing you a Happy and Prosperous New Year, I remain

Sincerely yours,

HARRY BERRY

In taking charge of the Ford Sales and Service Station as the successor of Mr. Berry, who has so successfully conducted the business for so long, we express the hope that you will give us the splendid patronage given our predecessor.

We will continue the business at the old stand and well at all times endeavor to give you the best service possible.

We wish you, one and all A Happy and Pros-  
ous New Year.

Respectfully yours,

SHAW MOTOR COMPANY

University instructors in account-  
ing and the National Community  
Center Association.

Business men are expected to be particularly interested in questions to be discussed by the economic association, including the economics of advertising, population and national resources, the world's monetary problem, psychological problems in industry, transportation, marketing and "giant power."

The meetings of the American Farm Economic Association will be given over to discussion of an American agricultural policy. "The Trend of Our Civilization" will be the theme of the sociologists, while the statisticians expect to focus their charts and figures on population problems, including labor supply and immigration.

### The Path and The Brook

By  
MARTHA BANNING THOMAS

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IT WAS New Year's Eve. Bright moonlight lay on the hillside. It shone softly on the little path that led to the wee stone house at the top; and it glittered like a million diamonds sprinkled over the brook. The night was crystal clear, and every star shone with polished brilliance.

"It was a night like this ten years ago that he last walked over me," spoke the path in a sweet, plaintive voice. "I listen and listen for him every New Year's Eve, but he has never come again."

"It was a night like this ten years ago that they both stood beside me and said how beautiful I was in the moonlight," said the brook in a clear,

bubbling voice. "I wonder what has become of him and why he never returns."

"She walks down the hill every day to the letter-box, and once I heard her say: 'If he doesn't write me this New Year's, I'll know he's dead.'"

The little path grew quiet in the moonlight. The brook crooned softly to itself.

"What was it he said to her that last night about going away?" asked the path after a moment.

"He said: 'If I'm ever going to make a clean, fresh start in life I must do it now. I'll leave you, dear, and never come back until I've kept my promise.'"

"Ah, yes, I remember," sighed the little path, "he was young and he had done a foolish thing—I've forgotten what, but they loved each other so. She has waited all this time."

Again they were very still, there in the clear moonlight.

"Hark!" whispered the brook.

"What is it?" asked the path.

"I hear some one coming."

"I hear two persons coming! What can it mean? One comes down the hill and one comes up!"

A man's figure slowly followed the little path up the hill. A girl's slight form came down like a wraith. They met where the path winds nearest the brook.

"You?" said the man's voice, and it was filled with wonder.

"You?" asked the girl. "No, no, I'm asleep and dreaming."

The brook and the path held their breath for very amazement.

"Ten years ago tonight I left you here on New Year's Eve," said the man's voice.

"You forgave my wrong-doing and I went away to start all over again. It has taken all this time to reach the place where I dared to come back. I was sure you would be gone, married, and had forgotten me."

The girl gave a sharp, happy cry. "We were so young then, dear, hardly more than boy and girl. But I have waited and waited and now I can hardly believe you have come back—a man!"

They drew together and went on up the path.

The moon shone brightly. The brook bubbled with delight. The little path led them to the door of the wee stone house. New Year's Eve was the new beginning for two lives.



## FLAMES TAKE HEAVY TOLL IN OKLAHOMA SCHOOL FIRE

So Terribly Had They Been Burned  
That it Was Impossible to Mark  
Features of Loved Ones.

Hobart, Ok.—With the identification of the last victim established, the known dead in the Christmas Eve fire at the Babb Switch Rural School stands at thirty-three.

Twenty injured persons are still confined in two hospitals. One is expected to die, and two others are in a critical condition. Funeral services for sixteen of the dead was held Friday.

The thirty-three bodies are lying in a temporary morgue in two store buildings.

At a mass meeting called by Mayor F. E. Gillespie committees were named to look after every detail of the sad task of searching the ruins for additional bodies, and the work is going forward systematically.

A crew of men broke the snow that blanketed the burial ground to throw up a long trench of grayed earth in which the dead were buried.

A steady procession of grief-stricken relatives filed all day long between the shrouded forms in the temporary morgue, but so terribly had they been burned that it was impossible in most cases to mark the features of loved ones.

Among those who have been recognized is the family of T. C. Coffey, a farmer living near the Bobb's Switch school. Six bodies, the father, mother and four little forms, have been placed to themselves in a corner of the awesome room. Survivors tell a heart-rending story of how the family, standing in the center of the blazing school room, every means of escape cut off, threw their eyes about one another and in a

last gesture of devotion fell together into the inferno as blazing rafters loosed from the roof struck them down. Amid the awful confusion of the scene, survivors say they were struck by the placidity with which the Coffey family met death.

The action of Andrew Jackson, farmer, who, having escaped from the blazing structure, fought his way and brought to safety twelve children, who without doubt would have perished without his help.

Mr. Jackson described his efforts to escape when it became parent that the building was doomed.

"I was near a window," he said, "and my first thought was to escape through it. I smashed the glass only to find that a heavy wire netting placed over the window to keep out prowlers, would not give way. It had been bolted tight. Others had failed also to get through the windows, and all made a rush at once for the only door."

"Every pane of glass in the building was broken out and this created a draft in the brisk wind. Within three minutes the dry wood of the room was a mass of flames that licked at the heels of the frenzied, pawing mob that fought for freedom."

## SOCIOLOGISTS WILL HOLD CONFERENCE

Economic and Social Life of Nation  
to be Considered at  
Chicago.

Chicago, Ill.—Nearly every phase in the economic and social life of the Nation will be considered by leading economists, statisticians and sociologists, who meet here Dec. 28 to 31.

Among the associations which will hold their meetings here then are the American Economic Association, American Statistical Association, American Farm Economic Association, American Association for Labor Legislation, American Sociological Society, American Association of

## 1924 -- We Thank You -- 1925

We cannot close our books on the old year nor open new pages for 1925 without giving thanks to our patrons for their loyalty in the past. We wish you bountiful blessings for the New Year.

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BERRY & ESTES, Proprietors

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## BID TO REDUCE THE FRENCH DEBT SPURNED

FRANCE'S LATEST PROPOSAL  
STRIKES "COLD WAVE" AT  
WASHINGTON.

## CONGRESS STANDING FIRM

Cancellation is Out of the Question  
As for As This Government  
is Concerned.

Washington.—France's latest bid for a reduction in her \$4,000,000,000 debt to the United States struck a severe "cold wave" in official Washington. Cold is hardly an adequate word for the proposals of the French Finance Minister.

This Government is willing to go a long way in extending a moratorium to allow France a breathing spell before beginning payments. But it is firmly set against writing off any of the principal.

This position has been stated so many times by responsible officials from President Coolidge down that it is historical information rather than news. Even if the administration felt different about the matter, it probably could do nothing, as Congress is so firm that even the White House would have difficulty in budging it. This will continue to be the situation unless and until public sentiment changes. A change of sentiment is what France hopes for and that is what lay behind Ambassador Jusserand's recent speech, which dwelt with great detail on the sufferings of France during the war. There is entire sympathy here with the financial difficulties of France. America is more conscious than any other power, perhaps, of the suffering that France endured in the war. The administration and the American public have every desire to be lenient in allowing time in which to pay.

But when French officials begin to suggest that part of the debt be written off, they speak a language which is not understood here. Cancellation is out of the question, in so far as this Government is concerned.

The typical administration attitude was reflected in the reaction of Senator Smoot of Utah, a member of the debt funding commission, chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, which must pass on any debt settlement, and not only one of the best-informed Senators on financial matters, but also a sincere friend of France.

He regards the three suggestions of the French Finance Minister as untenable.

## JUDGE KLEBERG OF AUSTIN IS DEAD

Former Congressman and Native  
Texan Dies in His 78th Year.

Austin, Texas.—Death claimed Judge Rudolph Kleberg, 78 years old, at his home in Austin early Sunday morning. Until a comparatively short time ago Judge Kleberg was in splendid health, especially for one of his years.

Judge Kleberg is survived by his wife and five children, as follows: Cesar Kleberg, with the King ranch near Kingsville; Misses Lula and Tillie Kleberg of Austin, Dr. A. J. Kleberg of Austin and Alfred Kleberg of Houston.

At the time of his death, Judge Kleberg was official court reporter of decisions of the Court of Criminal Appeals, a position he had held since Feb. 24, 1905. Prior to that he had served as Congressman from the Cuero district, having succeeded his law partner, William Henry Cain, when the latter died. He also had served as United States District Attorney and in other positions of honor and trust in his State and Federal Governments.

Judge Kleberg was a native Texan, having been born in Austin County June 26, 1847, son of Robert and Rosa Kleberg. He was educated in private schools and served through the Civil War in Tom Green's Cavalry Brigade. He married Miss

Mathide E. Eckhardt in 1872.

He studied law and was admitted to the bar in 1872 and established the Cuero Star in the next year. Judge Kleberg was appointed United States Attorney for the Western District of Texas in 1885 and served in this position until 1889. He was elected in April, 1896, to fill the unexpired term in Congress of William H. Crain, who had been Mr. Kleberg's law partner in Cuero, and was re-elected to the Fifty-Fifth, Fifty-Sixth and Fifty-Seventh Congresses, serving from 1897 to 1903.

Goes to 30 Below

Marquette, Mich.—The upper peninsula of Michigan is in the grip of the coldest wave of the present winter. Temperature in Marquette since Saturday night has varied from 10 to 17 below zero. At 6 o'clock Sunday night the temperature here was 6 below with indications that it would drop several more degrees before Monday morning. Temperatures as low as 30 below zero were reported from some points in the peninsula Saturday night and Sunday morning.

## TRAINING SCHOOL NOT TO BE MADE A PRISON

Chairman Control Board Would Fence  
It to Keep Out Trespassers.

Austin, Texas.—To numerous protests which have been made to the State Board of Control against the proposal to erect a wire fence around the Girl's Training School at Gainville, S. B. Cowell, chairman of the board, made reply in which he stated that he is "not now and has never been in favor of a fence immediately surrounding the campus for the sole purpose of restraining the girls." He did concur, he said, in the recommendation to inclose a large area of approximately sixty-five acres, in which would be included the campus, the flower gardens, the vegetable gardens, the orchard, truck patches and several acres of farm land. The proposed fence, Cowell said, was to be at least of semi-ornamental design and of a sufficiently substantial character to require all ingress and egress to be made through gateways or other regulated openings.

"Such a structure," Cowell said in a letter to Mrs. Florence C. Floore of Cleburne, national vice chairman of the Federated Woman's Clubs, who had protested against the construction of the fence, "should largely protect the institution and premises from frequent and annoying trespassing to which they are constantly exposed, and might materially reduce the number of escapes from the institution, especially when the runaway girl was being closely pursued by the matron or other employe."

Chairman Cowell further said that the board does not believe that such an inclosure would suggest the atmosphere of a prison or constitute a facility of physical restraint calculated to disturb the morale of the girls or conduce abnormal psychological results."

Closed for Holidays.

Austin, Texas.—Practically all departments of the State Capitol closed Tuesday for the Christmas holidays. Many of the department heads have returned to their old homes to spend the Yuletide with relatives.

Sister of Marx Dies.

Cologne.—Sister Antonia, a nun for many years in the Ursuline convent near Cologne and a sister of Reich Chancellor Mary, died recently at the age of 63 years.

## Bids Wanted

for the purchase of ninety (90) shares of the capital stock of the First Guaranty State Bank of Baird, Texas, will be received by the undersigned, the right being reserved to reject any and all bids.

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Receiver of First National Bank  
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## NEW EARS NEW YEARS

By MARTHA THOMAS

EARS have to receive a lot of noise-freight." Day in and day out, sound pours in. Some of it is pleasant and some of it isn't. News, gossip, information, orders, requests, stories! An endless list. One need not listen to all of it. It is possible to keep a sharp censorship, and accept only what we like. It might be a good plan to make NEW EARS FOR NEW YEARS and listen only to that which is essential.

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## Another New Year

By KATHERINE EDELMAN

WHAT a wonderful thing it is for humanity that ever so often there is a New Year with not a single soil or stain on one of its pages! To each one of us it brings new courage and vision, new hope and faith in the future, new resolves and desires to live better and nobler lives than we have done in the past. For all of us there is a special message in its coming—a wonderful promise in the things it must surely hold—for there are gifts without number that come to us through the days—dear, familiar little pleasures that all of us know, that are a part of our very life, so closely are they bound up with those we know and love. Then there is the joy of striving, of working, of accomplishing something, and what a glorious, thrilling joy that is if we love our work. Always before us the star of hope is shining, luring us on through the days to new goals, to more difficult and harder paths. Then, for the few there is the fulfillment of their dreams, but there is a doubt that this comes to many of us, for just as soon as the peak that held our eye is reached, another still higher looms before us. And well it is for the world that this is so, for most of the great things that come to us here are accomplished by men who knew no cessation from working and striving—men to whom each New Year means bigger fields to conquer, steeper paths to climb. So let it be with us this year.

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## Good Resolutions

By THOMAS A. CLARK  
Dean of Men, University of Illinois

NEWMAN never made good resolutions at the beginning of the year, he affirmed, or at any other time, for that matter. He didn't believe in the practice.

"The most of such resolutions are a joke, anyway," he said, "so why go through the humiliation of breaking one's promise to oneself? I don't make 'em."

And so Newman retained all his bad habits, made no improvement in his ways of thinking and living, and ultimately became a back number.

Good resolutions are simply one illustration of the will to do things. Without such resolutions there would be in the individual no reform, no improvement, no progress in the right direction. Unless we resolve to do better and have the will and principle enough to carry out the resolution, we spell retrogression for ourselves.

There is a certain fitness in making good resolutions at the beginning of the year. There is a psychological advantage in starting at the beginning again, of seeming to put the past behind one and getting a new start. Fortunately, many men keep these resolutions and so the world and the individual are made better. The effect of ending the old year with an orgie is permanently to injure the character. To begin with a good resolution is a long step toward improvement.

"I'm going to do my work better this year," Faber said to me. Perhaps he will not carry out all his good intentions, but if he only starts right the chances of success are favorable.

The man who never makes good resolutions, who has no urge or intention to reform his present condition is not likely to get far morally, and the man who is afraid to resolve to do better is weak.

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## The Passing Years

Years bring a tender satisfaction to one who has lived a good life. The good deeds one has done will be so many song birds to make sweet melody in his heart. The association of friends will be more precious the longer we cherish them. The consciousness of growth in grace, the assurance that we are becoming master of ourselves with the passing years, will add to our peace when we realize that we are growing old, and that our span of life is becoming narrower. —Methodist Protestant.

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**THE VARNER-CELMARS BOUT  
SATURDAY NIGHT WAS A DRAW**

The boxing bout at the Rock Hotel Building last Saturday night, between Walter Varner of this city and Johnny Celmars of Waco, who meets "Rough House" Smith in that city next Monday night, was a rather tame affair, although as an exhibition of clever defense and shifty footwork, on the part of both men, it was an artistic success.

Celmars is an in-fighter and has nasty wallops, both right and left, but he was never able to get Varner cornered to do effective work. The judges unanimously decided the go a draw. The two men will meet again here, Saturday night, January 10 in a ten-round, three minute contest, which Promoter George A. Chappell declares will be a corker. Frank E. Stanley was the referee and Ira Pratt held the watch.

The preliminaries were interesting. Two featherweights, Hal Ramsey and Harold Bray boxed two one-minute rounds, Ramsey having a shade the best of it. Shorty Riley and Emmett Gaines, 140 and 115 pounds respectively, also had a two-round go, in which some claret was spilled, but it was a toss-up as to which had the best of it, both doing clever work.

**DEVELOPMENT OF CLINICAL  
SERVICE AT BAYLOR COLLEGE**

John B. Crockett, of Baylor University, Dallas, writing to The Star, declares that the growth of the clinical idea in this country in the last twenty years has been remarkable. General clinics for all kinds of ailments are maintained in every important city in the United States, where charity work is done, and where people of moderate means go for examination and service. Literally millions are ministered unto in America for every kind of known disease.

Baylor's Clinic in Dallas, in connection with the Baylor College of Medicine and Hospital has grown from a staff of three physicians in 1909, the date of its establishment, to a staff of fifty physicians, among them the most widely known men of the profession in Dallas.

In the first year of its work only several hundred attended the openings for patients, but in 1923-24 the Clinic treated 20,000 patients. The year 1924-25 will total 30,000 patients treated.

In the current year 3,948 patients were treated for general medical conditions; ear, eye, nose and throat patients totalled 3,876; surgical 2,912; genito-urinary 2,389; gynecology 1,945; dermatology 1,709; pediatrics 1,360; obstetrics 548; mental and nervous 414; dental, not including those treated in Dental College Infirmary 77; orthopedics 45; totalling in all 19,224 cases. In 1920-21 the patients numbered 11,114; in 1921-22 12,320; in 1922-23 15,994; in 1923-24 19,224, with a prospect of 30,000 for the present year, showing, in no meager way, the steady development that has come through this agency. Many people who otherwise go neglected are treated and life saved or prolonged.

Social Welfare Work is maintained in connection with the Clinic, and a great service has been rendered to the needy by the workers in this department, who see into the needs of the distressed and who have avenues through which service may be rendered to those who need help. Many babies are placed in homes, many hungry people helped toward independence and to many the Way of Life is pointed through Christ.

The Clinic has many cases like the following: A small boy, of poor parents, had a disease that centered in the bone of the heel. The bone

was completely eaten away and the boy was a cripple, apparently, for life. But in Baylor's Clinic an operation was performed and the little fellow of five years will soon walk; then follow the plow beside his father, and later become a rural citizen instead of a cripple for life and a burden.

Twenty-eight new pupils have been enrolled in the Baird Public Schools since the Holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Glover of Eula, spent Sunday last in Baird with their son, J. L. Glover and family.

**NOTICE TO DOG OWNERS**

Owners of dogs in the City of Baird are hereby notified that the 1925 tax on dogs is due January 1, 1925. Tax must be paid on all dogs maintained within the corporate limits, whether they are kept at home or allowed to run at large.

Dogs not wearing collars with the 1925 tax tag riveted upon their collars will be considered as unpaid, and such dogs will be humanely killed.

Chas. W. Conner,  
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E. P. Rutledge.

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**JUNIOR B. Y. P. U. PROGRAM**

The following program will be rendered by the Baptist Young People's Union next Sunday, January 4, at 4:30 p. m.:

Jesus is Brought to the Temple: Helen Hotchkiss.

Simeon and Anna: Eunice Perdue.

The Wise Men Come to Jerusalem: Eula Hays.

The Wise Men See Jesus at Bethlehem: Donna McGowen.

Jesus is Found in the Temple: Dorothy Mae Scott.

At Home in Nazareth: Mary Blackburn.

President: Jewel Marie Wallace.

Secretary: Donna McGowen.

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Troup Captains: Dorothy Mae Scott and Jewel Sanders.

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**A HAPPY NEW YEAR**

By H. LUCIUS COOK

NEW YEAR again—and may it really be a happy New Year for you all! For the most part, however, we fear that like all other New Years that have ever been, it will come in with a bang and go out with a bla, with many worthy resolutions made on the first already broken on the second. But why should it?

Why not begin anew, and like the small boy with the slate, rub our sleeve over the errors we have made, and really, truly begin anew? Let us forgive and forget the past—and let us strive earnestly and honestly for the fulfillment of those dreams we all have dreamed. And if we slip, as we are bound to do, let us not make it an occasion for lapsing into the old rut again, but let us persevere with new vigor in the new day to live down that old past—for is not every day the beginning of a New Year?

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**NOTICE**

I have sold my Garage in Baird to the Shaw Motor Company, who now have charge of same. All who are indebted to me on notes or account are requested to call at J Rupert Jackson's Abstract Office and pay same. I am very anxious to close my books. I thank all for the liberal patronage given me.

Respectfully

**HARRY BERRY**

BAIRD,

TEXAS.