

4th War Loan Organization Is Shaping Into Form.

SPUDDING IN

Is the order of the day in Callahan county, it seems. Elsewhere we have reported the location of a wildcat north of Clyde.

Geo. Perry tells us that Rose and Kirby of Knoxville, Tenn., spudded in on a 2300-foot test 3 miles east of town on the Hatchett ranch; reached 710 feet before the holidays, and suspended for a rest, and have been delayed since by bad weather.

This is so close to production that the element of wildcatting is small.

He also reports that G. B. Neff and associates of Dallas have blocked 3500 acres north of Baird, and are rapidly assembling equipment to make a 1600-foot test on the Grimes farm.

He made the interesting observation that the first 4100 feet of Callahan earth held 17 oil sands, and that it is possible to bring all of these into dual-producing wells.

He suggested that oil activities would become quite brisk here within the next few weeks.

JESSE BROOKS, AGED 73.

Died at his sister's home, Mrs. Nellie McQueen, Monday. Funeral arrangements are incomplete awaiting the arrival of members of the family.

ROOM FOR RENT, to lady or couple, S. R. Sanders, Baird, Tex. ltp—1-14-44.

Mrs. Murry Harris and sister, Mrs. H. H. Ramsey of Abilene, came by and renetweted their subscriptions to the Star. They are the daughters of the late Major D. Richardson, who laid out Baird townsite and named the streets.

Dr. Ramsey, a retired Baird dentist, moved to Abilene some time ago.

FOR SALE—A good Jersey milk cow. See Joe Pierce at Rationing office. 2tp—1-21-44

W. L. Atwood of Oplin was a business visitor at the Star office Monday.

FOR SALE—Five work mules and 2 horses; also 2 peanut planters, 2 go-devils, and 3 pairs of harness. See Homer Connell, or B. L. Kimbly, Clyde, Texas. 2tp—1-2-44.

Mrs. Robert Poindexter visited the Star office. She reports her son, Melvin, one of Uncle Sam's marines, is stationed in San Diego, Calif., and that he seems well and happy.

W. B. Jones, one of our leading dry goods men, is away this week taking a survey of his four other stores at Anson, Lamesa, Leveland and Tahoka.

THE SNOW

Reminds me since Roger's death in its sweetest precint years ago, that he chose that setting for his death that shall always shroud his memory in that spotless habilitment his life so richly merited.

And argues good crops in 1944. So mote it be.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Williams are at present in California. They report their sons in the service were both with them for the holidays. Cpl. J. D. Williams, Ft. Lewis, Wash., and J. M. Williams, F. I. C., from Davisville, R. I.

FOR SALE—Good used Tractors and equipment; John Deere, Farmall, Case, Allice Chalmers, Delma Johnson, John Deere Dealer, Coleman, Texas.

Do "Plate-Sores" Bother You?

If your "GUMS" itch, burn, or cause you discomfort, druggists will return money if the first bottle of "LEOTOS" fails to satisfy. CITY PHARMACY

CALLAHAN WILDCAT

Will be spudded in soon. E. G. Daniels of Abilene is to drill a 2100 foot wildcat five miles north of Clyde, Callahan County, the No. 1 J. L. Dugan, 990 feet from north and 2,440 feet from west lines of Dugan 320-acre tract, section 7, S&P survey.

FOUR VERY POPULAR

Best sellers are among the newest books received at the County Library:

"Also the Hills" by Frances Parkinson Keyes—a brilliant novel of modern times.

"George Washington Carver", biography of the famous negro scientist, by his friend, Rackam Holt.

"Lassie, Come Home", a splendid dog story, by Errie Knight.

"A Tree Grows in Brooklyn", by Smith.

MR. ADAMS

Please publish this enclosed item if you have room.

We should be happy to have you visit the County Library in the basement of the Courthouse. We are proud of it.

Library Board:
Mrs. L. L. Blackburn
Mrs. R. L. Alexander
Mrs. W. Clyde White
Mrs. Lee Ivey.

THE PRESENT OUTLOOK

For America was given by Mrs. Ace Hickman at the last meeting of the Wednesday club in 1943, and those present report that she

will supply tons of it, if it is still in warehouse here discourages later efforts. Mrs. Hickman says it is and will move out.

They discussed 1944 study courses. The club elected officers, but did not report their names. It agreed to assist Mrs. Hickman in the salvage of paper drive.

THE FREEZE

Did much damage to stock; however, it was found that fewer were frozen than first feared.

Yet, it is evident that the cattle, due to lack of feed, due to too much governmental interference and too little feed, making the price too high, are going to die in the later freezes to be expected in this and next month.

February always holds in her cards the heaviest freezes, if she does not play them; and the wise thing to do this year is to anticipate her playing this trump card. Feed must, if available, go out to the ranchers and stockmen.

NONENTITY

Is quite fascinating to the one over behind the brush grinning at you, but it makes you wish you "knew" quite often. My lamentations for a printer brought some local artist to the fore, and "he or she" sent me an excellent cartoon showing the "editor" with handkerchief over nose and lower fighting banner, holding a gun on ye printer, and asking "Are you wanting a job as Printer? No?"

And we would like to know the artist: it (not having the gender) has possibilities!

THE SCIENTIFIC

Pastor of the local Methodist Church had to take to his bed, in obedience to a command of the King of Flu last week, and was not able to preach Sunday, so if these local Methodists seem just a bit on the brass side of life this week, just remember they failed to get their weekly dressing down, and may be feeling their oats a little too much.

Of course, they were at Sunday School, but nothing serves quite as well as the pastor's ferule in keeping them in step. "Hurry back, Brother Hicks.

400,000 PERSONS

Coming off the Government payroll, says a brother. When does the bread line start? Surely one immersed in the vagaries of the

past ten years of governmental stargazing will be helpless when faced or confronted by the necessity of "earning" his daily bread.

EVERY CHILD

Should accumulate every scrap of paper about the home, keep it dry, then tie it into bundles—newspapers in one, magazines in another, and cardboard boxes flattened out, in another.

Do this that all scrap may be salvaged for the war needs.

N. A. RICHARDSON

Soil Conservation supervisor for our area, says that 58 per cent of the State is now under soil conservation management. Organized districts, 106, embracing 96,500,000 acres—quite a domain. I would say.

We are running map showing areas of soil conservation, and proponents of the plan say that crop increases are pronounced where the work has been inaugurated.

Local supervisors have received applications for assistance in soil conservation work in Callahan County on lands owned by Mrs. Emma Cottle, Glenn Cottle, Morris Cottle, Fred Willie, T. E. Hayden and Sam Dyller.

N. M. George, supervisor, with the assistance of W. M. Meador, county agent, are ready to help interested farmers and ranchers of Callahan county to set up additional areas.

SALVAGE PAPER

Is still greatly needed. We must get back into paper and the sal-

age. I will supply tons of it, if it is still in warehouse here discourages later efforts. Mrs. Hickman says it is and will move out.

DR. J. B. BAILEY

Of Clyde died some days ago, and we failed to mention it last week because of lack of help and time.

He has been a long and valued member of the Callahan medical corps, and will be missed greatly. He had many friends in Baird and throughout the county.

COUNTY AGENT

W. M. Meador says that it is foolishness to feed non-laying hens when feed is so high; so he advises that you cull them out, using the following methods:

Cull out all that look like this: Shriveled comb, yellow legs and beaks, mottled, weak and emaciated, gray eyes, saggy abdomen, coarse, masculine head; and swart the roosters, if hatching eggs are not wanted.

THAT PRINTER

Is not yet in sight, as we write this Sunday afternoon. If he does rot come, the Star will be just a mere shadow of what we want it to be. We are determined to spend the first dollars made by the Star on making it a better paper.

We appreciate the 1,350 subscribers who keep saying, many of them do.

"I have taken the Star for so many years I don't think I could ever do without it."

COUNTY COUNCIL

Of the Callahan County Home Demonstration workers have elected officers for the year 1944 as follows:

Mrs. Carl Cook, Chairman, Baird Rt. 1
Mrs. Will Young, Vice Chairman Abilene Rt. 5
Mrs. A. L. Barnes, Secretary, Clyde, Rt. 1
Mrs. Frank Monroe, Treasurer, Clyde, Rt. 1
Mrs. Chas Taylor, Reporter, Cross Plains
Mrs. Jim Barr, Parliamentarian, Cross Plains.

These ladies will have charge under Miss Wilkerson, of the meeting at the Courthouse Saturday—an all-day school and entertainment effort.

THE COURTHOUSE GANG

Were sitting on just seven cylinders Monday morning—the other cylinder had flu on the spark plug and it rather a tame affair.

Miss Helma White made good cheer with a subscription to the Star, and W. M. Meador histed over 30 cents for some cardboard. The McCoy of the courthouse talked announcements, and we suggested that she run for the best paying office in the courthouse, so if she takes me seriously, some of you upper-crust-in-salary may have to dig in to win again.

The County Clerk, in reply to "What news?" replied: "Don't much happen up here any more" And we countered: "We are not looking for jallable news." But really, sundrum, everyday, died-in-the-wool routine in any man's office don't make very good reading matter, does it?

I caught the County Judge and four emissaries at work over something that looked like "please-remit's business." Being routine business, and no "pleaseremit" of my own, I met them and passed on. Judge Freeland said that he had a poor meeting last Friday night, account of weather, but planned another this Wednesday night to complete plans for war loan sales.

Found Home Demonstration Agent Wilkerson busy with Mrs. Carl Cook, new chairman of the County Council, planning meeting for next Saturday, tomorrow—an all-day meeting and school for the ladies of the county at the courthouse.

Judge Russell came in late, admitted to be late.

Sunday morning to get up and go to Sunday School, but Mrs. Russell went, taking care of the spiritual end of the family.

His secretary, Miss Vada Bennett, was ready for the bed, but the other helper was out, and she was hanging on.

The Sheriff's office deputy, a charming young lady, Miss McClendon, admitted it was impossible to keep anyone in the jail... and that speaks volumes for Callahan citizenship. She said a suspicious 17-year-old boy was picked up and found to have hijacked a car owner of his car and \$40.00 at Ranger, but he soon was sent back to Eastland county.

County Attorney Mitchell was in City Hall finding more to do there, no doubt, than any courthouse that can't even keep its jail full.

The Tax Assessor-Collector, Mrs. T. W. Briscoe, said that poll taxes were coming in; would make later and computer report.

I love the United States agencies wide berth, but will reach them in due time. Gas rationing force MUST like me, for I may be humbled, humble supplicant at their footool for more gas; and I must be sure they will see "how important it is that I have it." I'm sure they will agree that while others car may stand up, mine OUGHT to be going, making Star Dust for the county. Huh, gas rationers?

And that AAA gang just looks too formidable for a fellow half sick to tackle; but I'm going in there some of these days and ask for feed for my rats; yes sir, there are rats about me, and I don't want them to be poorer than they were under other management.

And that Draft Board! Oh me, let me out of here. One look at my youthful figure and childish face would put me 1-A instant; and believe it or not, I "would fight" a circle saw but I prefer to choose my own good time for the bout.

The County Superintendent was not in, and the "dumb" office girl, if he has one, was transparent—couldn't see her; and the County Library had the city-slicker notice on the door. Open 1 o'clock to 5 o'clock. Now there's the hours for you!

I may have missed the real best story up there—in fact, I know I did, for getting news stories is like

THE FOURTH WAR LOAN

Is now shaping into action, and the Star wants to go on record as not only endorsing it, but declaring that instead of \$130,000,000 of Texas' quota being called for in "E" Bonds, the entire \$395,000,000 should be E Bonds. In fact, there never should have been any other sort of War Bond sold; for it is admitted that when banks buy bonds, they issue new bank credit for them, which increases the money supply.

Had every war bond sold been an E Bond our money supply would not be so great that high prices threaten to smash our economic machine.

When you buy a bond, you give a check for it, and the banker transfers the amount from your account over to the account of the Government. No new money is created; but when a bank buys a bond it hands the Government a deposit slip, which adds that much to the total bank credit in circulation.

So, when you buy an E Bond, remember that you are preventing the addition of that much new bank deposits to the total, which makes your money and your bonds more valuable.

Don't forget this: Money is exactly like spuds—the more you have of it the less it is worth.

ABOUT 500,000

Business men in the United States spent money paying for advertising in newspapers, boosting the Third War Loan, and the number is expected to be greater for

the Fourth Loan. It is not only a patriotic thing to do; but a profitable thing to do: It boosts their own business, and hastens the end of the rationing headache, which they are suffering.

PAPERS ALWAYS

Do a magnificent job. In Second War Loan they ran 72,000,000 lines advertising; 129,500,000 lines advertising the Third, and watch us top 200,000,000 lines for the Fourth War Loan.

NATHAN ADAMS

Chairman of the Texas War Loan drives, says that while our quota for Texas for the Fourth Drive is only \$395,000,000 against \$520,000,000 for the Third, the work to put the Fourth over will be greater than the Third, because the Third Loan specified only \$115,000,000 to be sold in E Bonds, the Fourth calls for \$130,000,000.

THE TIN SHIVERS

May trek up and down your spine when you read:

All allies control only 30 per cent of the world's tin; whereas it or they controlled 90 per cent before the war.

The WPB goes on to say that we are in the "greatest" war in the history of the world, and again the wrong word was used. "Great" is too valuable and important term to apply to war—war cannot be great because the basest passions of men are cultivated during wars.

THE OPLIN SOPHS

Have elected class officers; under the guidance of Miss Ione McIntyre. They did this December 3rd, then chose class colors, motto, song and flower.

Officers are:
Gene Slough, President
Billie Jean Steakley, Vice-Pres.
Deanie McBride, Sec'y-Treas.
Claudean Gwin, Reporter
Chairman of activities, Manton Reid.
Class Colors—Blue and white;
Song—Say a Prayer for the Boys Over There.

Motto—"Lick a stamp; slap a Jap," and Flower—The Rose.

catching fish: The biguns escape the hook.

Editor Yeager was in there trying to extract money from the Treasurer—hope he did.

THAT MASTHEAD

Of the editorial column cries out for special attention. Some new and wise fellow began a few years ago to poopoo all editorials in papers, averring:

"I don't want opinions! I want facts, facts!"

This man of much pomposity, for such is the man who would drive the expression of opinion from our papers "by the editors," would deny editors the right and drive them from the duty to express their opinions on things in general; yet, his very denouncing the practice was "editorializing," expressing his "opinion."

Expressing one's opinion is a dangerous thing, because it is dynamite. Men fear another's opinion more than cannon, for it is opinion that controls the social structures. That is the one faculty the man has over the ass.

So we regret that that "don't write" editorials drive, drove even the "editorial masthead" out of many papers, and shifted down beneath the want ads in others, while just a few had the courage to keep it flying at the top of column one, page two or four of their papers, with some honest-to-allah editorializing under them.

So long as we shall control a paper, it shall have an editorial bias, and that masthead must be there, signaling to the world that courage rests with its publisher.

May we note another modern device that is carried in many papers, a child of corporation-fear of "lawsuits," and that is the paragraph which says:

"Any erroneous reflection upon the character or standing of any person or firm appearing in the columns of this paper, will be gladly and promptly corrected upon calling the attention of the management to the article in question."

That device was thought up by the owner of the paper who "hired" another to fill it with news and else; so he mistrusted his hireling, as most employers would under the same circumstances, and said to the public:

"That editor of mine is hair-brained, and trigger-set with insults. If he does insult you, the paper has already apologized."

I have never used that paragraph, and never shall, because it protects you not one whit from libel, should you be guilty of libel; and it must be inferred that I am a gentleman, and ready at all times to say, "I'm sorry," and even print a corrected statement, if the unintended injury was done.

I have owned papers most of the years since 1914, and not one time have I had to say, "I'm sorry," because we seek not to injure.

To-day, the carrying of that paragraph at the masthead of the editorial column is comparable to one having printed on the back of his shirt: "I'm careless with words, liable to offend you at any time. If I do I shall apologize on your calling my attention to the offense."

Let's re-instate that one not-outgrown practice of by-gone days, the editorial column with a dignified masthead waving in the opinion breeze of the community at all times, and then try to make our opinions constructive and wholesome. The shot-gun sort was never the best.

HER DEATH

Recalls the political integrity of her husband, Joseph D. Sayers, once Governor of Texas.

When the practice was just aborning of asking "past and near great" to endorse our "candidate," a group of "forward-looking" Austinians approached the venerable Sayers in his humble office, following his governorship, and said, "Governor, we want you to come out with a public statement endorsing our candidate for Governor," to which he replied:

"Gentlemen, Texas has honored me with the highest and most important office within her gift. Therefore, I cannot throw my humble influence for any citizen of hers against another Texas."

DOWN AND UP, DOWN AND UP OUR FORTUNES GO! MONOTONY FINDS US ALL!

The Baird Star

Established by W. E. Gilliland
December 8, 1887

S. W. ADAMS, Owner and Publisher

Issued Every Friday, at Baird, Texas
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in Baird, Texas, under the Act of 1879

SUBSCRIPTION RATES:

In Callahan County, per year, \$1.50
Out of Callahan Co. per year \$2.00
To Men in Service in U. S. \$2.50
To Men in Service in Foreign \$3.00

Note: We are forced to adopt a new Subscription Rule for men in the Service, because the trouble and cost of mailing papers, along with frequent change of their addresses make it impossible for us to continue the practice, as much as we would like to show a generous spirit in the matter. You are urged to seek to see our point of view, and to co-operate.
The Publisher

IF YOU LIVE

In Callahan county be sure that you buy your bonds at either a post-office or bank in the county, so that they will go to the credit of Callahan county. If you buy at outside postoffice or bank, the county loses the credit on their quota.

IF I HAD A MILLION

Smackers, I should do . . . sh, even thought of it paralyzes my dream-cells and I find myself thinking of nothing more than just the grasshopper sort of life—just a fiddlin around doin nothin.

But, on second thought I would buy \$750,000 of E-Bonds, that is if my millions were real First National Bank of Baird smackers.

SEN. O'DANIEL

Was not far wrong when he said: "No one denies that Nazism or Communism is effective: one has built the greatest war machine man ever saw or suffered and the other has done the same, while converting a vast empire of land into a beehive of workers on farm, forest and factory.

"But, what we dislike is the tremendous cost in human liberty. What it has gained in efficiency, it has lost many times over in human freedom."

HITLER'S BIRTHDAY

To be appropriately celebrated this year. It is April the 20th, and Ernest E. Mims, chairman of the Palo Pinto campaign, suggests that our gifts to Mr. Shickelgruber be "block busters."

It is expected that it will take about 60 days to manufacture the bombs paid for out of the 4th War Loan, so their arrival in Berlin will be timed almost to a second with the arrival of the little-big-man's birthday.

CONGRATULATIONS

Business men, for the fact that you spent the Third War Loan advertising campaign \$8,63,9540.05. That is a lot of money, but not enough to meet the 4th drive demands; but you will meet the issue now as you have in the past, face up, chin up, hand on the steering wheel (the dollar) that guides our peace-time and war-time affairs.

A POULTRY MEETING

Will be held at the courthouse next Saturday afternoon, 2:30, and the production of turkey eggs will be discussed, according to County Agent Meador. Other counties have gone into profits in this line, and equipment required can be economically supplied.

CITY EMPLOYED

S. E. Granthum, ex-city attorney of Cisco, last Tuesday night, to collect Baird's delinquent taxes, at the usual rates and arrangements.

The entire city commission was there, and they confessed that they had been a little too easy on tax collections in the past, that it is unfair to the prompt taxpayers to suffer the privation of their tax money while others went merrily along year after year without paying.

"Crack down, and get the taxes," was the last salutation they gave Granthum, and from the looks of his set jaws, he does not, am sure, have a "painless extraction" sign hangin out; however, he said that often it did prove painless to the delinquent when he came up and paid like a good little boy.

AT THE END OF THE RUN

J. F. McGloughlin stepped down from his "engine" and made his last report to the traffic agent. He had been in retirement here for many years, dying at the age of 71, Sunday afternoon.

For years he knew the curves and whistle points on the T. & P. tracks,

as his old girl responsive to his touch ran swiftly east or west, depending on his orders, and Rev. W. B. Hicks of the Baird Methodist church gave the last signal of his last run, at 3 o'clock, Tuesday afternoon, and as he set sail (this time) with Sharon at the helm, his widow, two step sons, J. M. Terry of Fort Worth and Capt. E.F. Terry, somewhere overseas, waved him a last, gracious farewell.

Since 1938 he had lived on his small retreat east of Baird, and had a host of friends who will recall his association with mingled regret and pleasure in the years to come.

Interment was in Ross cemetery.

MISS LULA MAE ASBURY

Became the bride of Lieut. Clyde W. Yarbrough, January 9th. Born in Baird she grew up in Monahans where she graduated from high school. Lieut. Yarbrough, a home boy, completed his training at A. & M. last year, and is now stationed in Alabama with an Engineer Combat battalion.

They were united by Rev. A. A. Davis, and enjoyed with the following guests a turkey dinner at the home of the groom:

Rev. and Mrs. A. A. Davis, Mrs. Bill G. Yarbrough, Miss Ellen Gee Tankersly, Mrs. Annie Asbury, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Thompson and Mr. and Mrs. R. Smith of Abilene, and Jack and Donald Yarbrough.

FITZGERALD'S DICTIONARY

In which Joe Fitzgerald seeks to define words as he sees them.

PHYSICIAN: A fellow you are mighty glad to see when you are sick, but hide from him when you get well.

LAW SUIT: A thing you go in hog and come out sausage. This definition might also apply to war with a little change.

LIBERTY: Well it's got me basted. I don't know what it is, do you? Justice same as liberty.

HEIL HITLER: Two words you can get in jail for saying in one country and shot for not saying in another.

HAPPINESS: What we get from the sufferings and distresses of others. Listen to your radio.

OLD MAN: A fellow who has enjoyed the fear of death too long.

WOMEN: Peculiar creatures that always live around where men are found. They make good cooks and the best school teachers. Scientists tell us that women are the cause of all troubles of men. If women were to cease to exist for a hundred years men would be through with trouble. The scientist might be right.

J. E. FITZGERALD,
FITZGERALD'S NURSERY
Stephenville, Texas

Norvell & Boyd Grocery

Has started out with an expansion program for 1944 . . . they have taken double space next to the 1943 feed store, and will greatly increase their feed business.

They plan to handle a complete and full line of all sorts of field and garden seeds, making it a point to try to make for germination at lowest prices.

Mr. Boyd expressed an optimistic attitude towards 1944 business, and says that he shall strive even greater than in 1943, to make his business a first-class business of interest to the trade public.

His prices just tag along a little lower, so come around and get your grocery supply.

**Dependable Groceries
Dependable Service
Dependable Prices!**

Mrs. Cliff Johnson and son Larry of Haskell, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Johnson.

NOTICE

As in prior years, interest on consumer's deposit at the rate required by law has been accrued and set aside for payment.

Customers, who so desire, may secure payment of such interest upon presenting their deposit receipt at the Company's nearest district office at Abilene, or if this is not convenient, by mailing their receipt to the Company. Receipt will be returned with remittance for the interest.

LONE STAR GAS COMPANY

COUGHS

Sufferers from those persistent irritating coughs or Bronchial Irritations due to colds find Buckley's brings fast relief. Get Buckley's at all first class drug stores.

You Get Fast Relief with BUCKLEY'S "CANADIOL"

**CITY PHARMACY
HOLMES DRUG**

POULTRY RAISERS

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

FORT WORTH STAR-TELEGRAM

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Leon Daniell

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DALLAS NEWS

DELIVERED DAILY

ABILENE

DELIVERED TWICE DAILY

See-or-Call

C. W. Conner

Reporter-News

Phone 21

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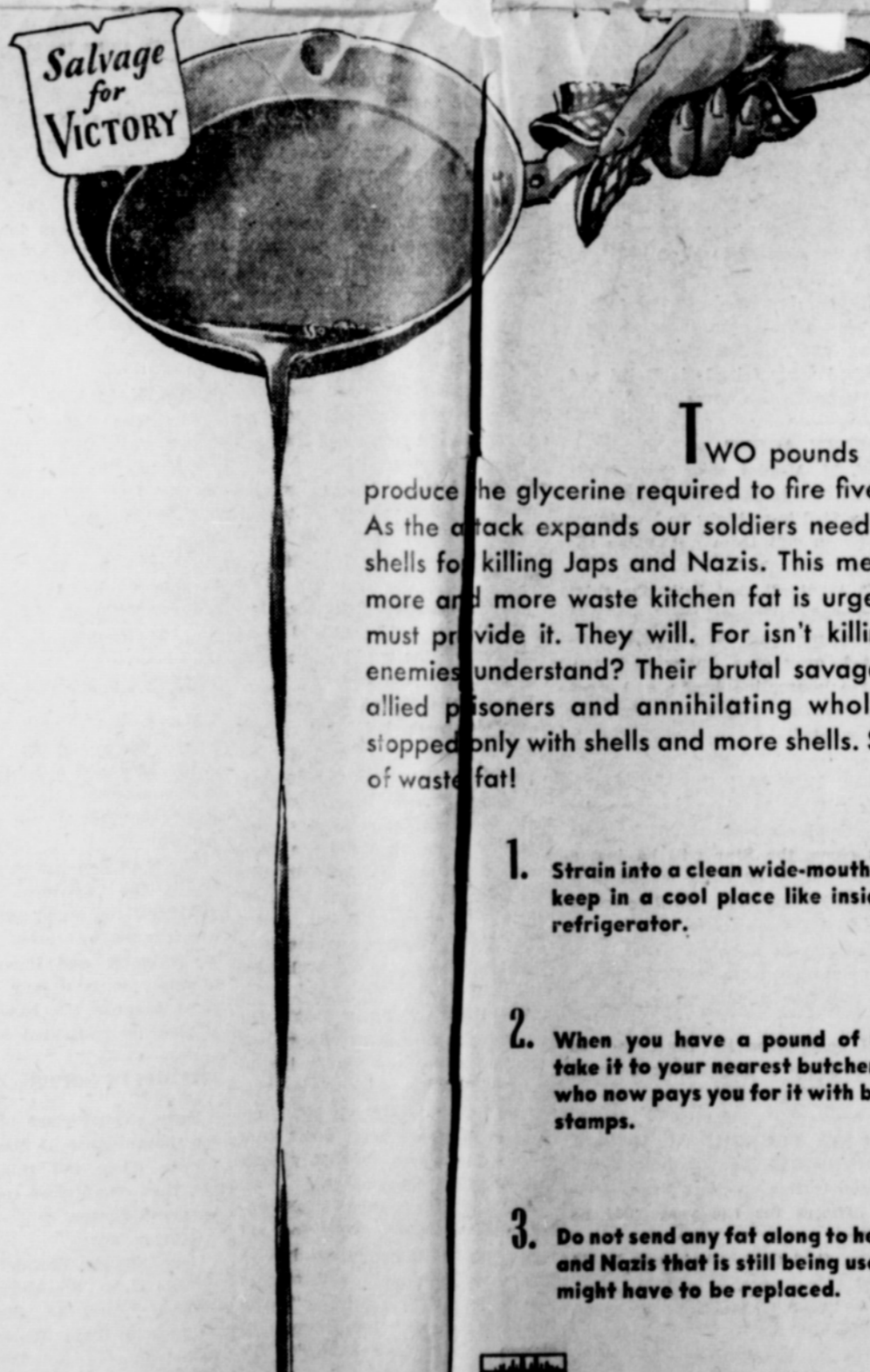
DENTIST

X-RAY

(Office Upstairs Telephone Bldg.)

BAIRD, TEXAS

**SIZZLE Japs and Nazis
With Your Waste Kitchen Fats**



Two pounds of waste fat will produce the glycerine required to fire five anti-tank shells. As the crack expands our soldiers need more and more shells for killing Japs and Nazis. This means the need for more and more waste kitchen fat is urgent. Homemakers must provide it. They will. For isn't killing about all our enemies understand? Their brutal savagery in beheading allied prisoners and annihilating whole towns can be stopped only with shells and more shells. Save every ounce of waste fat!

1. Strain into a clean wide-mouthed can and keep in a cool place like inside the gas refrigerator.
2. When you have a pound of waste fat, take it to your nearest butcher or grocer who now pays you for it with brown meat stamps.
3. Do not send any fat along to help kill Japs and Nazis that is still being used or which might have to be replaced.

LONE STAR GAS COMPANY



The Modern Homemaking Bulletin of our Home Economics Department gives latest food and nutrition facts to help you make every ounce of food count. Get your free copy each week at your Lone Star Gas Company office.

ALL DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS
Of the First National Bank of Baird were reelected at a Tuesday

meeting of the stockholders. So Tom Windham will sit as President; Henry James, Ace Hickman and A. R.

Kelton, Vices; Bob Norrell Cashier; Howard E. Farmer and R. F. Jones, Assistant Cashiers; and the directors

are: A. F. Nor

Windham, Ace Hickman, Henry James and Bob

THE PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

progress as chairman.

Of the 4th War Loan drive consists of four editors of the county, Jack Scott, Mr. Butler, Mr. Yeager, and S. W. Adams, who is obstructing

He is calling the other three to meet in Baird Monday, and let's get the job done, as painlessly as possible.

Charter No. 3286

Reserve District No. 11

REPORT OF CONDITION OF

**The First National Bank of Baird
Baird, Texas**

IN THE STATE OF TEXAS, AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON DEC. 31, 1943. PUBLISHED IN RESPONSE TO CALL MADE BY COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY, UNDER SECTION 5211, U. S. REVISED STATUTES.

ASSETS		Dollars	Cts.
1. Loans and discounts (including \$433.79 overdrafts)		\$ 379,884.43	
2. United States Gov't obligations, direct and guaranteed		904,634.49	
3. Obligations of States and political subdivisions		57,428.84	
4. Other bonds, notes, and debentures		NONE	
5. Corporate stocks (including \$2100 stock of Fed. Res. Bk.)		2,100.00	
6. Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection		954,031.83	
7. Bank premises owned \$11,329.13, furniture and fixtures \$6,926.29		18,255.42	
(Bank premises owned are subject to \$_____ liens not assumed by bank.)			
8. Real estate owned other than bank premises		6.00	
9. Investments and other assets indirectly representing bank premises or other real estate		NONE	
10. Customers' liability to this bank on acceptances outstanding		NONE	
11. Other assets		NONE	
12. TOTAL ASSETS		\$2,316,341.01	
LIABILITIES			
13. Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations		\$1,703,921.67	
14. Time deposits of individuals, partnerships and corporations		162,975.43	
15. Deposits of United States Govt. (including postal savings)		166,957.26	
16. Deposits of States and political subdivisions		144,097.66	
17. Deposits of banks			
18. Other deposits (certified and cashier's checks, etc.)		4,065.58	
19. TOTAL DEPOSITS		\$2,182,017.60	
20. Bills payable, rediscounts, and other liabilities for borrowed money		NONE	
21. Mortgages or other liens, \$_____ on bank premises and \$_____ on other real estate		NONE	
22. Acceptances executed by or for account of this bank and outstanding		NONE	
23. Other liabilities		NONE	
24. TOTAL LIABILITIES		\$2,182,017.60	
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS			
25. Capital Stock: (a) Class A preferred, total par \$18,000.00, retireable value \$18,000.00. (Rate of dividends on retireable value is 3 per cent) (b) Class B preferred, total par \$_____, retireable value \$_____, (Rate of dividends on retireable value is _____ per cent). (c) Common stock, total par \$32,000.00		50,000.00	
26. Surplus		19,800.00	
27. Undivided profits		52,743.91	
28. Reserves (and retirement account for preferred stock)		11,779.50	
29. TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS		134,323.41	
30. Total Liabilities and Capital Accounts			

MEMORANDA

31. Pledged assets (and securities loaned) (book value):		
(a) United States Govt. obligations, direct and guaranteed, pledged to secure deposits and other liabilities		418,850.00
(b) Other assets pledged to secure deposits and other liabilities (including notes and bills rediscounted and securities sold under repurchase agreement)		NONE
(c) Assets pledged to qualify for exercise of fiduciary or corporate powers, and for purposes other than to secure liabilities		NONE
(d) Securities loaned		418,850.00
(e) TOTAL		418,850.00
32. Secured liabilities: (a) Deposits secured by pledged assets pursuant to requirements of law		288,438.07
(b) Borrowings secured by pledged assets (including rediscounts and repurchase agreements)		NONE
(c) Other liabilities secured by pledged assets		NONE
(d) TOTAL		\$ 288,438.07

State of Texas, County of Callahan, ss:

I, Bob Norrell, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 5th day of January, 1944.
B. L. RUSSELL, JR., Notary Public.

Correct Attest: Ace Hickman, A. R. Kelton, Henry James, Directors.

**53rd Anniversary
SALE**

Just a few bargains for you and a big surprise on the 19th. The date 53 years ago when I landed in Baird.

1 Roll Cotton	75c
4 yds. Hope Bleached Domestic	1.00
4 yds. Heavy 36-inch Outing	1.00
3 pr. Good Havy Towels	1.00
5 boxes Kotex	1.00
1 Baby Dress	1.00
1 Baby Blanket	75c
1 dozen Diapers	2.00
1 dollar Hinds Honey Cream	59c
1 dollar Jergen's Lotion	89c

Just received Men's Shirts and Pants, Boys' Pants and Overalls, Feather Ticking, Mattress Ticking, and many other things. Always come to see us or phone us, as we get new goods every day.

**Don't forget the 19th
Will D. Boydston, Baird**

Baby-Chick Season Is Back

Our 1944 season has begun, and we are promising you the same fair dealing and courteous treatment we have given in the past, also chicks of as good quality as you can obtain anywhere. The first hatch will be off January 31st.

OUR PRICES ARE ALWAYS RIGHT

STAR HATCHERY, Baird, Texas

WESTERN MATTRRESS CO.

of San Angelo, Texas

If they are Western-built, they are guaranteed. Pick up and deliver every other week

Mail Penny Post Card to Company

**A Message to Our Friends in
The Livestock Business:**

This week we want to call to your special attention the value of feeding your livestock a GOOD MINERAL SALT.

Our ranges in this part of the State are deficient in certain minerals that your stock need for bone material and especially when a cow or sheep is carrying its young and have a demand for extra phosphates to make the extra supply of bon material, you should supply this need in its feed.

Sometimes at this time of the year an animal that is getting plenty of other feed and should bring its young without trouble will get weak on account of this deficiency which you can easily supply and at very little expense.

We carry also that Good RED CHAIN Turkey Nuggets that will make your turkey hens lay more eggs.

VISIT US FOR GUARANTEED GROCERIES. NO ITEM SOLD UNTIL YOU ARE SATISFIED.

BRASHEAR FOODSTORE

Baird, Texas

Men's Coats

Wool and Leather Combination, \$9.00 to \$10.00 values for... 7.95
Men's All Leather Steerhide Coats with Heavy Satin Linings, Belted Models \$22.50 to \$25.00 values, for... 19.50

Sweat Shirts

Heavy fleece lined Sweat Shirts, White and Natural Colors, for 98c

Work Suits

Extra Heavy Olive Drab Herringbone Material, Sanforized Shrunken. Pants 2.50 Shirts 2.50

Boy's Sweaters

Part Wool, sizes 30 to 34. Slip-On Style 1.50 Coat Style 1.95

Staple Piece Goods

36-inch Outings, per yd. 25c
8-ounce Khaki Cloth 35c
8-ounce Featherr Tick 39c
36-inch Hope Bleached Domestic 25c

McELROY'S



TODAY—in the Roundhouses of American railroads—the Iron Horses gets every possible attention. These powerful locomotives, too, have heard the call "To Arms" ... and have taken their place in the battle of transportation. ... They are all out for Victory.

Let's All
Back the Attack
4th
War Loan Drive

Every locomotive has an indispensable war job to do ... some move our armed forces ... some serve civilian travelers ... some speedily roll essential materials to the home front and to war industries ... others, food and necessary commodities to our folks in the armed services. They are fighters, proud of the job they do ... rolling over glistening rails, serving America. And they will keep on rolling until the last shot is fired and Victory is won. After that? They will be on duty ... helping to rebuild the world.



THE TEXAS AND PACIFIC RAILWAY.

One of America's Railroads ... All United for Victory

OUR HOSPITAL REPORTS

Mrs. Joe Mitchell left the hospital Sunday after being in several days with pneumonia. Mr. H. F. Phillips from Clyde is a hospital patient, suffering with pneumonia. Mrs. W. O. Wylie, Sr., is a medical patient. Mrs. Paul Shanks of Clyde, who underwent major surgery last Tuesday is doing nicely and will be going home soon. Mrs. Lenora Durham is a medical patient. Grandma Scott, a pneumonia patient, has gone home from the hospital. Billie, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Graham of Cross Plains, was operated on for acute appendicitis Tuesday morning. Mrs. N. E. McGee, who has been a patient for 6 weeks suffering a broken shoulder, is doing nicely. Mrs. G. L. Loper, from Dudley, is a pneumonia patient. Mrs. Donald Floyd of Ft. Worth, is a patient for a medical check-up. Mrs. W. T. DeArman, 83 years old, came into the hospital last night suffering a broken hip. Mrs. DeArman lives in the Dudley community. Marguerite McCleendon, who was operated on last week for acute appendicitis was able to leave the hospital Saturday. Marguerite works in a bank in Abilene.

THE WEDNESDAY CLUB

Met January 12 in the Library at the Courthouse. Several members were out on account of the flu. After the current-events roll call, Mrs. Blackburn was chosen second vice-president. Mrs. Erightwell gave an interesting talk on international affairs: the relationship of the United States to the Latin countries.

SURGICAL DRESSINGS REPORT

After having been closed for the holidays, the Surgical Dressings Rooms were opened January 3rd with a quota of 20,000 sponges to be made during the month. The week closed with only 3731 of the necessary 5000 sponges made. We need your help.

The following ladies worked in the dressings rooms last week: Mesdames Vida Oill, Belle Allphin, Doshia Wristen, Corinne T. Blackburn, Frankie Anderson, Ellen Oollingshead, Ellen McGowan, Eya Lee, Minville Mitchell, Norma Baulch, Maude Hart, Elizabeth Fetterly, Wil-Gray, Nellie Griffin, Mabel Georgen and Irene Bardwell.

Later reports reveal that J. H. King, who underwent an appendectomy last week in a Dallas hospital, improved rapidly and was moved to his private rooms early in the week.

Pete Stephenson, who has written "pieces" to the Star for all the years since he was a boy, and known as Patsy, called Monday, paying his respects to the new owners of the Star. Call often, Mr. Stephenson, and let's rebuild Star-dust fires about which new friendships may be warmed.

WASTE PAPER

Campaign is still on in full blast, and you are urged to continue collecting waste paper, and the committee hopes to be able to tell you soon where to deliver the paper. Twice will be furnished those wanting it free, if they will call at Bill Boydston's store.

ENSIGN BLAND D. BOUNDS

S. S. N., and wife have been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Bounds. He has left for Solomons, Md., reporting for sea duty Jan. 16, Mrs. Bounds will remain with Mr. and Mrs. Bounds a few weeks, then go to Oklahoma City to visit mother.

Mrs. Sallie Crawford dropped in to move her subscription up, and visited with the Madam publisher a while.

Do you feel "left out of it"?

ARE YOU missing the chance to share in this war—missing an experience you'd value all your life? Right now, in the WAC, you could be doing a vital Army job. You could be getting valuable training, meeting new people, seeing new places while serving your country. More Wacs are needed at once. Get full details about eligibility, training, pay, the jobs Wacs do, how they live. Go to the nearest U. S. Army Recruiting Station. (Your local post office will give you the address.) Or write: The Adjutant General, Room 4415, Munitions Building, Washington, D. C. Do it today!

THE 4TH WAR LOAN DRIVE

Hobbled off to an unpropitious beginning last Wednesday. County Chairman Freeland called a meeting Wednesday, the 5th, but very bad weather intervened, and only a thimbleful turned out, no out-of-Baird workers. He called another for last Wednesday night, and swirling snow gave it a "white eye," and only a few of the Baird people turned out.

The Sheriff, Judge Freeland, Ace Hickman, Bob Norrell, Howard Farmer, County Attorney Mitchell, A. J. Anderson, Earl Johnson, Olaf South, Buster George, and S. W. Adams.

The wives of that baker's dozen of citizens ought to be very proud of them; they, to a man, modestly insisted, when suggested as the right person to head the Baird division of the drive that he was just too busy and that So and So was the ideal man; and for an hour each stoutly denied his being the right man, and joined in graciously to assure each of the others, as he was suggested, that he was the ideal man... it wound up by choosing B. F. Russell, Jr., over the phone, with the sheriff his co-chairman, and every last one of the eleven crossing their heart and swearing "I'm going to get right behind you fellows, and we are going to put this over with a bang bang that will sound like the ack-ack of the tommie guns."

There being no out-of-Baird workers present, the county organization was further delayed.

DRAW THAT OLD PEN

You said when it just refused to fountain your letter evenly, and threw it into the drawer! You did? Then fish it out and turn it in for there is a drive now on to collect all not-serviceable fountain pens, have them rebuilt, and then send them to

the boys over there. Mrs. Ace Hickman says she will work fast, this drive lasts only 24 hours.

IN NEW GUINEA

Somewhere, Lieut. Robert Walls writes his parents: "I gave Tokyo, Inc. a Xmas present, marked it with a crayon and deliver it in person, so I know they received it. I saw when it hit. Hope they enjoyed receiving it as I did in giving it to them." He is well, has been over there since October, 1943, but hopes to be home soon.

BIBLE SCHOOL

With the famous Rev. G. W. Parks

in charge, will hold here at the Baptist church the last week in January, so we were told by Clyde folk Monday.

TAX COLLECTOR BRISCOE

Reports taxes are over 50 per cent in, a good showing, and that 1206 poll taxes have been paid as against 984 one year ago.

A READER

Thanks for the cartoon... incidentally, you are good both at cartooning and hiding... would like to know your name; may call on you to do some cartooning of local events. I rung true to "out west" for the printer walked meekly in Tuesday night, after I used that mightiest hi-

jacking weapon of the West, "A pleasant smile and a friendly greeting." An old friend, Mr. B. M. Saladee of Austin, has joined us, and Star dust will now begin to fly, beginning next week. Run for cover, if it gets in your eyes.

THE TIE THAT BINDS

Came into the home of S-Sgt. and Mrs. Thomas West's home on December 25, a boy, and he was tagged Thomas West the 3rd. It seems that Thomas the 3rd chose Seymour, Ind., for the happy landing.

NOTICE TO FARMERS AND RANCHERS

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

THE CENTRAL RENDERING CO.

will pick them up free of charge. Call Collect...4001 or 6513 Sundays and Holidays call 6513 Abilene, Texas P. O. Box 432

50-12tp.

Ships are essential to Victory, and we shall continue our job of building them at record pace in 1944." — E. G. GRACE, president, Bethlehem Steel Company



SHIPS FOR VICTORY A WORLD'S RECORD IN SIZE AND DIVERSITY

Bethlehem in 1943 built 320 fighting and cargo ships. Value of the year's program equivalent to 1,000 Liberty ships.

"A SHIP A DAY," with a number to spare, was the record production delivered by Bethlehem in 1943 to the United States Navy, the British Navy and the U. S. Maritime Commission. This program was the greatest in magnitude and the most diverse ever accomplished by a private builder in the world's history. It marked the fulfillment of a promise made by Bethlehem a year ago to build in 1943 an average of "a ship a day" of major fighting and cargo craft.

The list of ships includes aircraft carriers, cruisers, destroyers, virtually every type of fighting ship and other cargo vessels. In addition, Bethlehem ship repair yards converted, repaired, and serviced over 7,000 vessels, a vital contribution toward keeping the Allied fleets in fighting trim.

Measuring the program by Liberty ships, a battleship is equal to forty Liberty ships; and Bethlehem's shipbuilding division was the equivalent of over 1,000 Liberty ships.

Part of National Program — Bethlehem is permitted to publish these facts as part of our country's total program. Led by the U. S. Navy and the U. S. Maritime Commission, America's shipbuilding in 1943 has been a national triumph of production.

We salute our fellow shipbuilders and their distinguished records. We thank our thousands of suppliers whose efforts have been essential to our contribution. We congratulate the men and women in the Bethlehem organization, in shipyards, steel plants, factories, mines, and in every division, all of whom have had a part in this effort.

Harder Task Ahead — The year's work in Bethlehem's shipyards, steel mills and other departments has been done by 300,000 men and women. More will be needed. Already a larger shipbuilding task has been assigned to us for 1944. We shall undertake that job with the knowledge that it must be done, and that it will be done, at the maximum pace, to hasten the day of Victory.

38 TYPES OF SHIPS Program 70% Fighting Craft; 30% Cargo

Bethlehem's total wartime shipbuilding program includes approximately 1,000 fighting and cargo ships, 70% of the program being in fighting craft, and 30% in cargo. These are of 38 different types including the following:

FIGHTING CRAFT

- 35,000-Ton Battleship
13,000-Ton Heavy Cruisers
10,000-Ton Light Cruisers
6,000-Ton Light Cruisers
2,100-Ton Destroyers
1,620-Ton Destroyers
Destroyer Escorts
Tank-Landing Craft
Infantry-Landing Craft
14,700-Ton Aircraft Carriers

CARGO SHIPS

- Liberty Ships
Victory Ships
C-1B Cargo Ships
C-3E Cargo Ships
C-3 Cargo Combat Ships
Passenger-and-Cargo Ships
Other type Cargo Ships
Single-Screw Tankers
Twin-Screw Tankers
Ore Transfer Ships
Trawlers
Fleet Tugs
25,000-Ton Ore-and-Oil Carriers

