

CALLAHAN COUNTY, in Central West Texas, organized 1877; area 882 square miles, pop. 11,600. Rolling prairies, and wooded areas of mesquite, post oak, live oak. Soil sandy to chocolate loam. Elevation 1800 feet. Annual rainfall about 24 inches.

The Baird Star

BAIRD, pop. 2,000. On "The Broadway of America." Has beautiful homes, fine churches, modern schools, friendly people and healthful climate—"where there ain't no poor, and there ain't no sick; where the fat get fatter, and the thin get thick."

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MARVIN HUNTER, Jr., Editor

Callahan County Bond Purchases Greatly Exceed Sixth Loan Quota

Judge B. H. Freeland, chairman of the Callahan County War Finance Committee, has been advised by the State chairman that this county has been accredited with buying war bonds to the amount of \$345, 172.75, which is far over our quota. The county quota had been set for \$285,000.

Callahan county is over the top in the Sixth War Loan drive which came to an end December 16, but all of our citizens are being urged not to stop buying now just because this county has met its quota. Those who can buy more war bonds are asked to do so before the year ends. All the Series E bond purchases until January 1st will count on the Sixth War Loan.

The telegram from Nathan Adams, State Chairman, received by Judge Freeland Wednesday read as follows:

"Sixth War Loan sales officially credited your county by Federal Reserve Bank through December 19 \$140,733.75 Series E and \$345,172.75 over all. Let me urge you to continue to push Series E sales for remainder of December. This is the best Christmas gift we at home can give our fighting sons."

MRS. OLIVE CLARK DIES AT DAUGHTER'S HOME

Mrs. Olive Clark passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. E. C. Brooks, Pine Bluff, Arkansas, Wednesday. Funeral services will be held Sunday afternoon at the Cotton-Blanton Funeral Home in Weatherford. Interment will be made in the Weatherford cemetery.

Mrs. Clark is well known here having lived in Baird for many years. She moved to Big Spring about two years ago. Mrs. Clark was night cashier at The Jester Cafe, and a charter member of the local chapter of the Order of Eastern Star.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. E. C. Brooks of Pine Bluff, Arkansas, one son, Floyd Clark, Flint, Mich., four sisters, Mrs. Jack Towers, Weatherford, Mrs. Earl Mathias, Deceator, Ill., Mrs. Jack Roach, El Paso, and Miss Clara Jester of Baird, two brothers, L. W. Jester of Weatherford, and Howard Jester of Galveston.

Just 'Round About

As we walked up and down the streets we saw and heard: "Saw our old friend 'Mud' Young in town. He was in his usual agreeable mood and had some witticism to make." Noticed Tom Windham of Oplin and his son, Tommie both in Baird. "Mrs. Katie Dugan, of Clyde, was transacting business here lately. "Oma Wagley, who lives between Putnam and Moran came over to the county seat of Callahan to do some business a few days ago. "As we went up the street we noticed a Cottonwood man, Ode Strahan. His father, Sam Strahan was one of the most progressive farmers in that section, in the years gone by, we are told.

Saw W. L. Neal, who formerly lived in Baird, but is now out at Crane working. As we have said before, "You can't keep 'em away." Met up with Joseph V. McKelvey, who is connected with the Gulf Line Corp. at Clyde. "C. T. (Thad) Nordyke of Spring Gap (Maybe he would rather we would say Turkey Creek) the father of our former sheriff, Clarence Nordyke, and of Lewis Nordyke of Amarillo, who is in the city of Baird lately. "Ran across M. C. Dryman, who lives several miles south of Clyde. "Loy Williams, who says he found it profitable to run a few head of stock as well as farm, made a business trip to our city this week. "Looking in at George Morgan's poultry house at the rear of his store, saw George picking and dressing chickens so fast we could hardly believe our eyes. Timing him with my wrist watch, he picked a chicken every 14 seconds, believe it or not.

Another stock-farmer that we met up with on our streets as we were on our way for a "coke" was Milton Shelton, who lives south of Baird. "After we got the coke and were on the way back to our office, we struck up with A. E. Jennings of the Admiral country and he had with him his little daughter, Hazel. Says he is liking this country fine. "A former citizen of Clyde, Clyde Waggoner, who is now in business at Burnet, Texas, was visiting in Clyde and Baird during the past week. "The Dudley district was represented in the county capital by Leaman Hayhurst.

C. A. Neubauer is spending the Christmas holidays with his sister, Mrs. J. W. Wier, in Big Spring.

It's Christmas...Christmas

Holly on the door and a candled wreath in the window. Stockings by the fireplace, carols in the dark, and the jeweled Christmas tree glittering through the night. What would Christmas be in Callahan without them?

The answer is—it would still be Christmas. For Christmas isn't Symbols—Christmas is something that happens to people. It wells up, overflows, bursts forth from the heart of every human being. It goes far beyond the traditional forms of our American observance—adopts a hundred different forms all over the world and transcends them all. Christmas is the sweetest emotional experience shared at one time by mankind.

There's not a flake of snow in the South Pacific tonight, not a single tinkling sleigh-bell. But the tender joy of Christmas fills fighting American hearts on every atoll and palm-fringed isle. There are no street-singers on the North Atlantic, nor a Christmas tree in all its watery waste of miles. The men on the icy convoy need no symbols to remind them—their thoughts and love and prayers tonight are winged home to you.

So let not the absence of a loved one depress you or steal your holiday joy. The Spirit of Christmas is working in his heart as in yours; he is sharing your Christmas with you just as certainly as if he were greeting you in the glow of your own lighted tree—as he will, most assuredly, on a Christmas yet to come.

The Baird Star

BAIRD BOYS WIN DENTON CAGE TOURNAMENT

The Baird Bears took the top score at the basketball tournament last Friday and Saturday which was held at the Denton school courts. With a snap and a growl the Bears copped the high score of the tournament where six boys teams were playing. They played Denton for the final game which resulted in a score of 34 to 11.

Denton girls were winners in the girls' tournament opposing teams with a final score of 22 to 19. This was an exciting, close game all the way through. Novice and Denton running neck to neck, and running off a tie in the final wind-up.

Other teams in the tournament were Bayou, Oplin, Clyde, Sreus, Novice, Eula, Denton and Baird with each represented by both boys and girls teams. Trophies were awarded for first and second places.

PRESBYTERIAN LADIES HAVE CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Presbyterian Ladies met in the home of Mrs. E. C. Fulton with Mrs. Virgil Hughes as co-hostess Monday at three p. m. for their Christmas party.

The meeting was opened by singing Silent Night and Mrs. Hughes gave a prayer. Mrs. James Asbury led the Devotional, Mrs. R. L. Alexander told a Christmas story, and the closing prayer was by Mrs. V. F. Jones. Gifts were exchanged from a beautifully decorated tree, after which refreshments were served to seventeen members and guests.

BIRTHDAY LUNCHEON

Mrs. E. C. Fulton entertained the Birthday Club with a one o'clock luncheon Thursday, December 14th, at her home. Pine, pine cones, red logs and candles formed an impressive centerpiece. All joined hands and sang "Bless Be The Tie That Binds," and the invocation was given by Mrs. James Asbury. After the delicious dinner, a picture of the group was taken on the porch.

Mrs. Grace-Hammons Meigs of New York City made an interesting talk on her travels to Ecuador, South America.

Each guest was presented with a beautiful handmade gift. Enjoying the delightful affair were Mesdames James Asbury, Willie Barnhill, Sallie Eastham, Harry Ebert, R. L. Elliott, Virgil Hughes, Arthur Johnson, Mary Kehree, Sam Smith, E. B. Mullican, J. A. Jackson, Grace Hammons Meigs, Mattie McGloughlin, Joe McGowen, Edna Yonge, R. F. Jones, Misses Dorothy Barnhill and Evelyn Blakeley.

LT. BRYANT WRITES HOME

Lt. Harold Bryant wrote his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Bryant of Clyde, November 24th from somewhere in France. He wrote that he is fine and enjoying a good Thanksgiving dinner with turkey and all the trimmings. This is the second time Lt. Bryant has been across. He went to England in 1942 and visited home in June, 1943. He is in the Army Signal Corps.

GOTTON GINNING REPORT

Census report shows that 2492 bales of cotton were ginned in Callahan County Texas from the crop of 1944 prior to December 1 as compared with 2890 bales for the crop of 1943.

MISS WILLIAMS RETURNS FROM NEW JERSEY

Miss Maxine Williams has returned from Linden, New Jersey, where she visited Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Gagan, parents of her fiancée, the late Lt. F. Wesley Fagan, who was killed in action in Normandy, France, June 10th. Lt. Fagan, 27, was employed by the Eastern Aircraft Division of General Motors, Linden, before he joined the army in January, 1941. Attached to the Infantry, Lt. Fagan went overseas in March, 1944.

Pete Young, student at N. T. S. T. C. at Denton, is spending the holidays with his brother, Raymond Young.

PFC. HOWELL REPORTED DROWNED IN NEW GUINEA

Mrs. Virgil Jones and Mrs. Ernest Hill were notified by telegram Monday of the death of their nephew, F. G. Howell Jr. age 19, of the Army Medical Corps, on November 30th in New Guinea, death resulting from drowning. He was the only son of Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Howell, 913 Hammond St., Ft. Worth. No details of the tragic death have been received.

CRUTCHFIELD TO BE HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Crutchfield received a telegram Friday from their son, Lt. J. W. Crutchfield, sent from San Francisco saying he will be at home Christmas day. He landed in San Francisco December 13th from the Southwest Pacific, where he spent nineteen months.

WEDNESDAY CLUB ENJOYS A CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Corinne Blackburn Wednesday Club met in the home of Miss Viva Tucker this Wednesday for a Christmas party. Organ music was played by Mrs. Tucker and the group sang carols after exchanging gifts from the Christmas tree. The guests later made candy and packed boxes of cookies and candy for the boys at Camp Berkeley. There were fifteen members present.

CPL. RAYMOND C. CORN IN THE PHILIPPINES

After several months of wondering where and how his son, Cpl. Raymond C. Corn, is, G. H. Corn received a letter that explained the delay. His son had been high in the mountains of the Philippines cut off from the outside world. Rations were dropped to him from the air, and no communication was possible for many weeks. The letter stated he was back on the beach now where he could get hot meals and regular baths.

BUCHANAN CARGAL VISITS HIS MOTHER IN BAIRD

Buchanan Cargal, AMM3c, of Minneapolis, Minn. enroute to San Diego for further assignment, arrived last Tuesday to visit his grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Bennett and his mother, Mrs. La Vesta Cargal, Buchanan is a graduate of the local high school and has been in the service two years. He will leave December 24th.

HUGH MCKEE, HIS MOTHER, MRS. JOHN MCKEE, AND BILLY BROWN WERE PLEASANT CALLERS AT THE STAR OFFICE WEDNESDAY.

Mrs. McKee, his mother, Mrs. John McKee, and Billy Brown were pleasant callers at the Star office Wednesday. Mrs. McKee is one of our honor subscribers who has been taking this paper for over fifty years.

PURPLE HEART AWARD SENT TO BAIRD FATHER

The Purple Heart award has been sent to C. A. Burleson, Sr., father of S-Sgt. Clarence A. Burleson (pictured above) who was killed in action over Belgium May 9, 1944.

F. J. SMITH REPORTED KILLED IN ACTION

Arthur Burleson received word this week that his brother-in-law, F. J. Smith, had been killed in action over Europe on December 7th.

JIM TOM LAWRENCE HERE FOR CHRISTMAS

Pfc. Jim Tom Lawrence, sophomore medical student at Southwestern University at Dallas, arrived Sunday to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Lawrence.

MRS. BILL BORDEN HONORED AT SHOWER

Mrs. Bill Borden, the former Bessie Mae Browning, was honored with a miscellaneous gift shower, Monday Evening, December 11th at the home of Mrs. Brice Jones. Acting as hostesses with Mrs. Jones were Mesdames Archie Nichols, Rita Dallas, Royce Gilliland, Jack Ashlock and Misses Reynolds, Lyndol McClendon and Burma Warren.

MARINE CORPS NEEDS 30 NEW RECRUITS

Thirty 17 year old young men are needed as volunteers in the Marine Corps. Youths will be enlisted now and called to duty in March 1945. Such applicants are assured of the branch of service they desire and do not have to register with their Draft Boards.

INTERESTED APPLICANTS ARE REQUESTED TO CALL OR WRITE U. S. MARINE CORPS, 217 P. O. BLDG., LUBBOCK, TEXAS.

Application blanks and literature will be sent at once.

Pvt. James N. Walls is here to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Walls. He will return to his station at Laredo January 16.

COURT HOUSE EMPLOYEES HAVE CHRISTMAS BANQUET

Court house employees and guests enjoyed a Christmas banquet at Stanley's dining room Monday, December 18, a eight p. m. Mistletoe and red candles formed the centerpiece for the table.

Clyde White was master of ceremonies and Miss Viva Tucker, a guest, entertained the group with piano and accordion selections, after which Santa Claus passed out gifts from the Christmas tree.

ATTENDING WERE Mrs. Mamie Lieberman of Houston, W. M. Meador, Miss Katye Spicer, Burma Warren, Miss Joyce Hunt, Nathan Waldrop, Mrs. Waldrop, Raymond Young, B. B. McPherson, Miss Geneva Jo Gibson, Miss Noia Van Gibson, Miss Floy McCaw, Buford Tyson, Miss Dorothy Wilkerson, Joe Pierce, Mrs. Pierce, Miss Helen Miller, Miss Leota Alexander, Mrs. Briscoe, Miss Hazel Reynolds, B. H. Freeland, Mrs. Freeland, Miss Ernestine Faubion.

Mrs. Joan Gorman, Mrs. Vada Bennett, Farris Bennett, I. G. Mobley H. A. Warren, Robt. Warrin, Leslie Bryant, Mrs. Bryant Miss Frances Pierce, Joe Alphin, Mrs. Neil McDaniel, W. C. White, Mrs. White, Miss Ha Falls, Harvey Hammond, Miss Viva Tucker, and Pete Young of Denton.

Private McBride, born June 11, 1914, in Coleman County, Texas, enlisted in the Marine Corps early this year at El Paso, Texas.

His wife and two children reside at Box 628 Baird, Texas. His brother, Pfc. Edgar B. McBride, also is in the Marine Corps.

BOB STANLEY WRITES FROM CENTRAL PACIFIC

Pfc. Bob L. Stanley wrote his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Stanley, from the Central Pacific December 3rd, saying that he is well and doing fine. November 28 Mr. and Mrs. Stanley received a letter opener made of Japanese molimeter shells wrapped in a piece of Japanese silk pajamas. Bob wrote that it took five days to smooth the letter opener.

Pfc. Stanley is a graduate of the local high school and has been in the service one and a half years, spending a year overseas.

W. P. RAMSEY WRITES FROM CALIFORNIA

Dear Sir: In the Nov. 24 issue of the Star there is mention of the Tomato P. O. and some of the early residents of that community. I have known all those that are mentioned, most of whom should be more familiar with the facts than I. If my memory is not at fault, the dates of establishing and discontinuing the post office were correctly stated by Jno. Cochran but the P. M. was C. C. French and not Finch, who lived in the Spring Gap dist. south of Admiral. Henry L. Buchen was an Austrian, or German Political refugee and was census enumerator in the Cottonwood section for the 1890 census. He established the store at Admiral soon after the census was taken. He was a learned man and at one time was a correspondent to the Baird Star. There were several interesting correspondents in that period of the Star's existence, among whom were Juan (John W. Aiken), Louis Cook, Gene Irion, R. A. St. John. St. John was principal of the Cottonwood School and also had a drug store. He later moved to Baird and was in the pill rolling and moved to Cisco and sold those citizens drugs and was P. M. and Mayor, later. He and Bucken crossed lances in the columns of the Star and St. John came out second best and acknowledged his defeat with the following which closed the argument.

Things have come to a devil of a pass, when a man cannot lick his own Jackass. What I have written will, perhaps, have been recited by others and will add little to the information you already have, but when a man has lived 64 years in a state he is still partial to it and has an interest in its history and future.

Very cordially yours, W. P. RAMSEY

The Callahan County Club Is Host At Baird Bears' Annual Banquet

Coach Eddie Bullock was presented with tokens of esteem when the Baird Bears were guests of their sponsors last Wednesday night at the annual football banquet. Bob Norrell was speaker of the evening, and over one hundred persons enjoyed the interesting program.

ROAD TO THE AIRPORT TO GET PAVEMENT

The road from the intersection of Highways 80 and 183 at the east edge of Baird to the airfield, a distance of approximately three miles, will be paved, according to a statement from the State Highway Commission. This matter received the highway commission's attention when Judge B. H. Freeland, Jack Ashlock and Earl Johnson went before that body last week in Austin.

PRIVATE MCBRIDE GRADUATES FROM INF.

Camp Pendleton, Oceanside, California—Marine Pvt. Harold V. McBride USMC (936638) son of E. T. McBride of Box 647 Baird, Texas, has been graduated from the Infantry and Browning Automatic Rifle Section School at Training Command here.

Graduates of this school have complete thorough training with the B. A. R., M. I. Garand and Carbine rifles, Hand Grenades, Anti-Tank Grenades and are exceptionally well versed in the use of the bayonet and knives for jungle warfare.

Marines graduated from this school will be assigned to Infantry Battalions and their training has prepared them for amphibious landings and establishing and securing beach heads.

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Members of the Baird Bears' football team and their girl friends were guests of The Callahan County Club at the annual football banquet Wednesday evening. The affair, held in the basement of the Methodist church, was attended by approximately a hundred persons.

B. L. Russell, Jr., president of the men's club, opened the program with a tribute to the football boys, then he introduced Supt. Olaf G. South who acted as toastmaster. Mr. South conducted an interesting program throughout the banquet, injecting fun and seriousness as well into the gala party.

The opening feature of entertainment was a song by Misses Sally Gay Corn, Joe Bess Miller, Shirley Pool, and Eloise Grant with Johnny Lee Swenson at the piano.

Bob Norrell was the speaker of the evening. With his natural good humor the audience was kept in an uproar of laughter until the last few lines of his speech which ended with serious thought and a wish for the future good fortune of the boys and girls of Baird.

Coach Eddie Bullock, just ending his third season of football here, introduced each one of his team who in turn introduced the girl by his side. In numerous short talks, the ball players praised the good work of their coach. Among the top-notchers to be introduced were Sampson, Gorman, Walker, Odom, Varner, Swenson, Jones, White, Pearson, Nichols, Raush, Manager Bobby Wagner, and the Bears' Sweetheart, Eloise Grant. Many other boys and girls were also mentioned for the outstanding work they had done for the good of the team during the past season.

O. C. Yarbrough, president of the school board, presented Coach Bullock with a war bond as a token of their esteem for his good work, and another war bond was presented to Mrs. Bullock and two small sons. C. J. Sampson, acting in behalf of the football team, presented their coach with a fine leather coat in token of their regard for him.

To bring the occasion to a grand ending, Lt. Morris Eastham and Sgt. Reaves Hickman, who have just returned from overseas, made short inspiring talks.

BAIRD SERGEANT HOME ON 30 DAY FURLOUGH

T-Sgt. Robt. L. Green, son of Mrs. Stella Smith, is home on a 30-day furlough after being overseas 33 months. His last station was in Hawaii.

Sergeant Green served on the Gilbert Islands and on Saipan. He was wounded on Saipan and spent some time in a hospital. He wears the Purple Heart, American Defense Service medal, Combat Infantryman's badge, American theater campaign medal with one Bronze Star, the European-African ribbon with one Bronze Star, and the Asiatic Pacific theater ribbon with two Bronze Stars. He trained at Camp Wolters before going overseas. Sergeant Green is a graduate of Baird high school and worked for Santa Fe railway as a brakeman before going to service.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS AND BEST WISHES

Greetings and best wishes for Christmas and the New Year. To all our friends. Mrs. H. Schwartz, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Max Levi and sons.

MRS. KIMMEL VISITS RELATIVES HERE

Mrs. Arthur Johnson and sister, Mrs. C. L. Kimmel of Cisco, formerly of this place, visited The Star Tuesday. Mrs. Kimmel is also visiting her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Keith Fuller and boys. Sic Harold K. Fuller is stationed in the South Pacific. While here Mrs. Johnson renewed her subscription to The Star.

NOTICE OF CHANGE OF BANKING HOURS

To all concerned, please take notice that beginning December 26, 1944, The First National Bank of Baird will open at 9:30 A. M. and close at 3:00 P. M.

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MEMORIES OF YESTERDAY

By John H. Cochran

A post office named Cottonwood Springs, name later changed to Cottonwood, was established in Callahan County 8 miles north of the present city of Cross Plains in 1880, W. J. (Julius) Norton, post master. The office was kept in a small log building later occupied by Dr. O. W. Brodman, the only physician in the community. Most of the early settlers of Cottonwood were squatters, the owner and owners of the land were unknown, however some of them had tax titles to their homes.

After the ownership of the 1800 track of land was established the townsite of Cottonwood, was platted by P. W. Hall and surveyed by L. T. Cochran, county surveyor. Then the big boom started, a flour mill, hotel, cotton gin, among other business concerns were, W. E. Mayes, Gen'l Mds; Will Riley, store; Norton and Ramsey, Gen'l Mds; Drugstore, furniture store, hardware store, saloon and many other business concerns I do not recall.

The town had many holidays during winter season, the cowboys from the Pecos country came to spend the winter, occasionally imbibed with an overdose of Rattlesnake Liniment would "shoot up" the town. Consequently the business men would close their stores and remain at home until the shooting ceased.

All business buildings except the saloon building were located on one side of Center street. One night a fire broke out, consequently every building was destroyed and the town was rebuilt 2 blocks west at the present site of Coffey & Sons store and post office building owned by Miss Hazel Respass post mistress. Time changes everything, Cottonwood is a quite peaceful town, it has 3 church buildings, either or all of them would be a credit to a town of ten thousand people.

SEVEN STALWART SONS PRIDE OF BAIRD PARENT

Mrs. R. W. Cook, Baird Rt. 1 is truly proud of her seven "Boys" who are fighting for their Uncle Sam.

Horace E. Cook F 2c U. S. Navy, in service this year, is now somewhere at Sea in The Atlantic. His wife and two small children live here.

Pfc. J. C. (Bullet) Cook, U. S. Army, in Service two years, is now Stationed somewhere in France.

Ensign John R. (Little Bullet) Cook, U. S. Navy, in service two years, is in Communications School, in Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.

G. M. 2c U. S. Navy, in service three years, now stationed in San Pedro, Calif, as Mustering Petty Officer. Two and one half years he has spent at sea.

Grandson, Cpl. Grady Paul Jennings, U. S. Army Air Corps, somewhere in Europe. In service two years.

Son-in-law, Cpl. Guilford M. Rice U. S. Army, in service three years, now somewhere in England.

Grandson-in-law, Charles B. Marshall, SK3c, seabee, U. S. Navy, is now in Naval Training School, Sampson, N. Y. He has been in training one and a half years.

Mrs. Cook's youngest son, "Corky", age 16, is a high school student in Baird.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Kimmell and daughter, Nelma Joyce, of Houston are spending the holidays with Mrs. Kimmell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Alexander. Also from Houston are Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Alexander and son Ronald to visit Mr. Alexander's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Alexander for Christmas.

Tuesday we enjoyed a visit with two pioneer Callahan ladies, Mrs. Bob Beck and Mrs. Elizabeth Renfrow. Mrs. Beck has been living here fifty years and has been a reader of The Star for that many years. Mrs. Renfrow was born in Baird and has made her home ever since. While here Mrs. Beck renewed her subscription to the paper.

Memo-graph ink and paper at The Baird Star office.



SALVATION IS NOT BY FAITH ONLY

That we are saved by faith no one doubts. But some contend that we are saved by faith only—that is that we are saved the very moment we believe. Most denominations teach this. In one of their disciplines it is worded in this way, "Wherefore that we are justified by faith only is a most wholesome doctrine, and very full of comfort." Thus we see that a discipline written by men says that one is saved by faith only, but in the Bible, James 2:24, James, speaking through the divine operation of the Holy Spirit said, "By works a man is justified, and not by faith only." Does it seem strange to you that any one would teach a doctrine which in such plain terms contradicts the Bible?

Believers given power to become sons; "He came unto his own, and they that were his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he the right to become the children of God, even to them that believed on His name" (John 1:11,12). He gave the believers the right to become the children of God.

(1) Believed; (2) Given right to (3) become children of God. If one is saved the moment he believes, he is saved before he becomes a child of God, for the believer is given the right to become the child.

Saved without the new birth; If one is saved the moment he believes, he is saved without the new birth. Believers are given the "right to become the children of God." It must be evident, then, that if one is saved the moment he believes, he is saved before he becomes a child of God; and if saved before he becomes a child of God, he is saved without being born again, for one can not be born again, without in the birth becoming a child of God.

Saved by imperfect faith; If one is saved the moment he believes, he is saved by an imperfect faith. "Thou seest that faith wrought with his works, and by works was faith made perfect" (James 2:22). Are you prepared to contend that man is saved by an imperfect faith? He who contends that man is saved the moment he believes claims salvation by an imperfect faith, for "by works was faith made perfect." Of course you understand that faith must exist before it can work, and til it works is imperfect; and if salvation is by faith before it works, it is salvation by an imperfect faith.

Send letters and comments to the Church of Christ, Baird, Texas. Attend our services, you are welcome.

Mrs. John Bryant and daughter visited The Star office Saturday. The Bryants own the Bryant Laundry in Clyde. We are glad to add their name to our list of renewals.

Mrs. W. O. Maltby of the Admiral community stopped in at The Star office Saturday to renew her subscription for another year.

We are glad to add O. D. McWhorter to our list of subscribers. His wife Mrs. Laura McWhorter, is the Oplin post master. The McWhorters have lived in the county since 1907.

Mrs. A. T. Scoggin's nephew, Mitchell Flache, and family of Brownfield were here Saturday for a visit and business trip.

Mrs. J. E. Wood and daughter, Mrs. Esther Taylor, stopped enroute from Dallas Thursday to visit Mrs. Wood's parents, Mr. and Mr. Daniel S. Greene.

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BAIRD, TEXAS

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ATTORNEY-AT-LAW
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BAIRD, TEXAS

Cottonwood

By Mrs. S. B. Strahan

Mrs. Horace Thonton and children of Abilene is visiting Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Cicoxen.

Mrs. H. S. Varner has lost a grandson and a nephew during the month of November in war service. Captain Dee Griffen youngest son of Roscoe Griffen of Centralia, Mo. was killed November the 5th in Luxembourg. Paratrooper Merkel Varner youngest son of Homer Varner of Indio, California was killed November the 28th somewhere in the Philippines.

Mrs. J. R. Young visited Sunday in the home of her daughter Mrs. W. M. Stansbury at Atwell.

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Mitchell and son of Abilene visited in home of Mrs. Molly Murray Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Caffey and children visited her parents the Warren Everetts at Putnam Sunday.

Pvt. Oran Peavy of Camp Walters spent the weekend with his wife and home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Fleming and children visited with Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Strahan and Miss Missouri Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Molly Murray received word her nephew Gerald Jensen who has been hospitalized at Pearl Harbor has been brought to the states for further medical treatment.

Mr. Bibbs who has lived near the old Shufford home for about two years died quite suddenly Saturday night. He is survived by his widow and several step children who are all married.

Ralph Fulton of McAllen is spending the holidays with his grandparents the Virgil Fultons. Ralph's sister Rowena will come the latter part of the week.

Nelson Brown who is in California will go in service soon. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Brown of this place and will be their sixth son to serve the colors.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Whiteorn visited Mr. and Mrs. Irb Davis of Cisco Sunday.

Billie Coats and father George Coats returned from San Antonio Tuesday where they visited with Pvt. and Mrs. Lee Coats and Children. Mrs. Coats lives at San Antonio but Pvt. Coats is stationed at Camp Walters.

Pvt. Lloyd Bryan from a camp in one of the northern states with his wife and two children are spending his leave here. They were Sunday visitors of Mrs. Myrtle Wiseman.

Mrs. Mildred Valley of Clyde received a letter from her husband, Sgt. William Wiley, December 17th saying that he had landed. He was several days on the boat and was glad to see his feet on land again.

Letters To Santa

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl 3 years old. I would like to have a doll with hair, broom and a set of dishes. Don't forget my sister who is 8. She would like to have a ring.

Yours truly,
Dorothy Mae Breeding

Dear Santa,

I am a little boy, four years old. I went over to my aunties last night, and there was a Tommie gun over there, and she told me if I wasn't good you would come and get it.

I want a teddy bear and gun for Christmas.

Please don't forget my little sister, she wants a teddy bear and a set of dishes.

Your little pal,
Raymond Lloyd Stocton

Another pioneer of Callahan county, W. H. Phillips, visited us this week. Mr. Phillips moved to this county in 1889, and is engaged in stock farming at Clyde. He has two sons in the service of our country; Cpl. W. H. in France and L. W. with the air signal corps in Italy. While here he paid up his subscription for another year and had the paper sent to Cpl. Phillips.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

To all persons interested in the Account for Final Settlement of the Estate of Ellen Pope, a person of unsound mind, No. 1463, Ernest Ham, Guardian thereof, has filed in the County Court of Callahan County, Texas, on the 15th day of December A. D. 1944, his Final Account of the condition of the Estate of said Ellen Pope, a person of unsound mind together with an Application to be discharged from said Guardianship which will be heard the 1st day of January A. D. 1945 at the Courthouse of said County, in the City of Baird, Texas, at which time and place all parties interested in the Account for Final Settlement of said Estate are hereby notified to appear and contest said Account and Application of the said Ernest Ham, guardian if they see proper to do so.

Herein fail not, and have you then and there before said court this writ with your return thereon endorsed showing how you have executed the same.

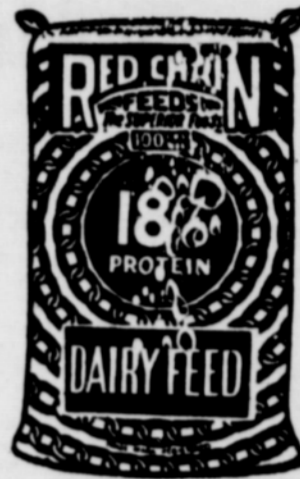
Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Baird, this the 18th day of December A. D. 1944.

LESLIE BRYANT
Clerk County Court,
(Seal) Callahan County, Texas
By Johnie Robinson, Deputy

Mrs. Stella Smith visited the editor Tuesday and ordered the paper sent to W. B. Griggs at Gallion, Ala., R. D. Hickman at Slaton, and Mrs. N. E. Magee of Clyde Route 2. She also renewed her subscription to The Star.

Mr. and Mrs. George Nitschke of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Daniel S. Greene of this place spent Saturday and Sunday in Fort Worth visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Greene.

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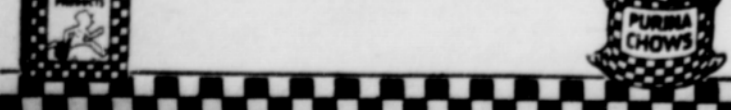
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EACH CHRISTMAS as it comes and goes proves anew that love is the only binding power of the world. In these dark days of late December when the brightness of smiles make ample amends for lack of brightness overhead, we again send our most hearty Christmas Greetings.

T. & P. CAFE

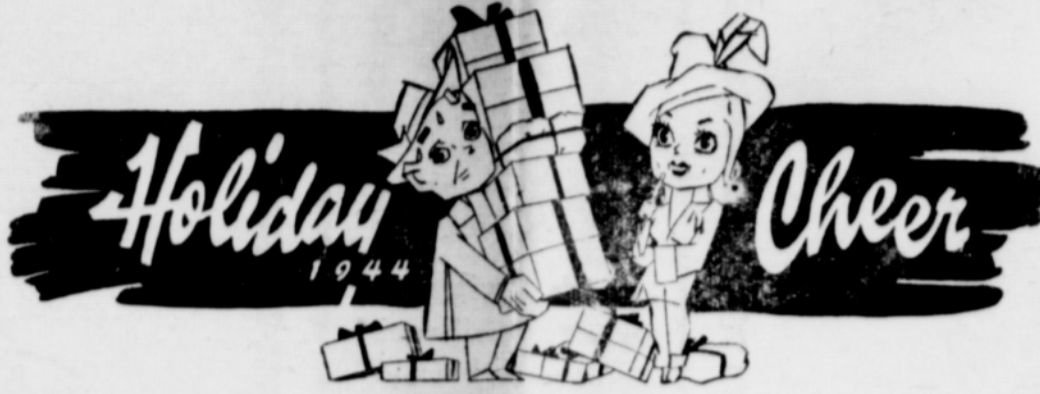


Christmas Cheer to All!

★ Holly and mistletoe, soft lights and Christmas trees, gifts that mean an outpouring of the spirit. Santa Claus is coming!

With gratitude for your continued friendship we pause during this busy Christmas season of 1944 to wish you the happiest Christmas of them all.

The LITTLE ONION



THE confusion, the bustle and indecision of the holidays is now over. The last gift has finally been selected, the last package wrapped, tagged and duly ribboned. Now let's settle down to the real enjoyment of Christmas.



We want you to get just what you want and to be just as happy as you can be. We want you to be happier this Christmas of 1944 than you have ever been before. As for us, we are more grateful to you this Christmas than ever before, for it marks a peak in our pleasant relations. We could not allow this important occasion to slip by without wishing you all a **MERRY CHRISTMAS**

MUNICIPAL LIGHT PLANT



Hearty and cheery
And happy and true,
An ever so fervent
Merry Christmas to
you! . . .

Bryant Laundry
CLYDE, TEXAS



Christmas trees are again gleaming in the windows! Just about time for us to be thinking of how much we are indebted to you. And just about time for us to call upon two little words that carry more cheer and good will than all the big words that have ever been coined—

Merry Christmas
MAYFIELD'S



At this season we should all subject ourselves to re-examination, to see if good fellowship and kindness still survive as a practical combination to bring happiness to the human heart. Each of us holds in his hands the key to this combination. Let us use it during this Christmas season of 1944, to help transform dreams into realities.

May we add our glad Christmas greetings to the many which are finding their way to you?

THE ROCK HOTEL



LOADS OF HAPPINESS TO YOU!

Christmas of 1944 is going to be a BIG Christmas. See if we aren't right.

May YOUR Christmas be bounteous and full of good cheer, and may our greeting and best wishes add just a little to your pleasure this Yuletide.

BOYD'S GROCERY & MARKET



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

★ The message of good will that emanated from Bethlehem 2,000 years ago not only transforms the world at Christmas but is the foundation of every honest transaction. We depend upon your good will; you depend upon ours.

THE BAIRD STAR



Turkey and cranberry sauce and plum pudding are symbols of the lighter side of Christmas. We want you to have these, too, this Yule season of 1944, plus all the other joys that give Christmas-time its transcendent glory

We welcome this opportunity to extend to each and all our heartiest greetings.



HOLMES DRUG STORE



Jingle bells, jingle bells,
Jingle all the way,
O! what fun it is to ride
In a one-horse open sleigh!

We have much to be thankful for this Christmas, and we want to express our thanks to you.

May this Christmas season of 1944 be an especially happy one for you.

GRAY'S STYLE SHOP



★ At Christmas perhaps more than at any other time in the year we realize what it means to be an American—to worship as we please, to go about our daily pursuits unfettered, to take time out to pay homage to the beautiful myth of Santa Claus. ★ And at Christmas the members of this organization realize particularly what your patronage has meant to us, and we take this opportunity to thank you while wishing you all a most Merry Christmas.

MORGAN'S FOOD STORE



WE HOPE old Santa will not forget you this Christmas of 1944, but that he will cram that stocking so full it can hold no more.

Good cheer, good fellowship, and Merry Christmas to you all!

GOOD WILL
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There is something in the very season of the year that gives charm to the festivity of Christmas.

—WASHINGTON IRVING



☆ Whether Christmas be white or green, we hope it will be full of charm for you and yours, with an abundance of all the good things that are part of happy Yuletide . . .

McELROY'S DRY GOODS



... It's Christmas! So Let's Celebrate!

Let's celebrate by recalling on every day what Christmas is and what it means. Let's celebrate by never doubting that eventually Good shall triumph. Let's celebrate by making children happy and by opening our hearts to those in need.

That's the way to have the Merry Christmas we wish for you.

Baird Lumber Co.



Best wishes for Christmas. ALL the good old fashioned spirit of the season is expressed in this hearty MERRY CHRISTMAS.

You've been the best of friends to us in 1944 and here's wishing for you the very best!

RAMSEY'S Variety Store

FROM US TO YOU!



† † Dusk . . . Christmas Eve . . . children moving about stealthily, wide-eyed and expectant . . . you know the signs.

Christmas is here, let us all be merry, for it comes but once a year.

With gratitude for your kind favors during 1944 we send you heartiest Christmas greetings.



THE BAIRD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Buddy Tankersley
Ralph Ashlock

Olaf G. South, Supt.
E. T. Powers, Prin. High Sch.
John Shrader, Prin. Gr. Sch.
And Faculty



IN THESE LAST SHORT DAYS OF 1944

when beaming faces tell that Christmas is very, very near, we are reminded again of the supreme value of friendship. He who has no friends, though he may have amassed a fortune, cannot be happy.

We have many friends in this area—friends from many years back as well as friends who have become friends during this past year. These friendships are a great source of pride and happiness to us.

To all these friends we wish a very Merry Christmas Season.

**Brashear's Food Store
Red & White**

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★ Christmas is here. And once more we find ourselves at a loss for words to express how we feel about your loyalty to us during 1944. But we know you will understand.

We wish for you and your family the best of Merry Christmases, and the best that this happy season can bring in both material and spiritual blessings.

MACK BISHOP
And Daughter, Maxine
Theatre Installations and Interior Decorations



"Now all our neighbors' chimneys smoke,
And Christmas blocks are burning,
Their ovens they with baked-meat choke,
And all their spits are turning.
Without the door let sorrow fly,
And if for cold it hap to die
We'll bury it in Christmas pie,
And evermore be merry."

Bowlus & Bowlus Hardware



There's a joy in the heart That sets Christmas apart,
To make it a day of all days.
And may its true peace
And good will never cease
To bless you in manifold ways.

JOHNSON Dry Cleaning



Merry Christmas! Noell Noell!

While ageless Christmas carols fill the air this thought comes to mind. We would like to share with you our Yuletide happiness, and to feel that in this year of grace, 1944, Christmas will mean more to you than it has meant for many years past.

B. L. BOYDSTUN Hardware



THE STAR IN THE EAST

Down through the ages has come the story of the shepherds tending their flocks at night, awed by the Star in the East.

During this sacred season, mellowed by the thought of those who cannot be with us, we have abundant reason for gratitude. We have come a long way since the dark Christmas of 1941. The Star in the East shines brighter now.

That this may, indeed, be a Merry Christmas for you and yours is our ardent wish.

CITY PHARMACY

PLAZA Theatre

Baird, Texas

SUNDAY AND MONDAY
December 24 and 25

Adventures Of Mark Twain
Starring
FREDRIC MARCH
ALEXIS SMITH

TUESDAY - WEDNESDAY
December 26 and 27

ROOKIES IN BURMA
With
WALLY BROWN
ALAN CARNEY
Goonier and Loonier
Than Ever

THURSDAY - FRIDAY
December 28 and 29

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY
With
DEANNA DURBIN
GENE KELLY

On the 29th we will give away One \$25 War Bond to holder of lucky number.

SATURDAY, December 30

YELLOW ROSE OF TEXAS
With
ROY ROGERS
DALE EVANS
-ON THE STAGE-

The Blue Sky Boys will be on the stage after each feature picture with comedy, music and the songs you like. They will sing your request numbers. You have heard them on the radio, now see them in person.

OWL SHOW
Saturday Night
STARS ON PARADE

Don't Forget Our
New Year's Eve Party
And
Midnight Show
December 31

Dr. T. B. Hadley, who has been a resident of Baird for twenty-five years, visited the editor Friday morning and paid up his subscription for another year.

Tad Goble ordered The Star sent to his brother-in-law, W. E. Clement, 1309 Jeanette, Abilene, last Saturday and at the same time renewed his own subscription for another year.

Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Phillips of Paris arrived Saturday to spend the holidays with Mrs. Phillip's mother, Mrs. Myrtle Linton.

Mrs. W. A. Fetterly returned recently from Marlin where she spent ten days.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Fetterly had a letter from their son, W. A. Jr. (Billy) last week telling them that he has his first class rating now and that he doesn't feel any different. Billy has been overseas for more than 19 months and has been to all the important islands.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Fetterly expect their daughter, Ida Louise, this weekend from Palacios, where she teaches in the high school. She will be home about two weeks.

Mrs. Mattie McGlaughlin left Wednesday for Fort Worth to visit her son, J. N. Terry, and family and Capt. E. F. Terry's family, during the holidays.

Mrs. S. A. Watts says she just couldn't get along without The Star. She reads her copy and then bundles it up and sends it to her daughters in California each week, so they, too, might keep up with what's going on in the old home town. We had quite a pleasant confab about her and her grown children when she came to this office to renew her subscription Saturday morning.

DALLAS NEWS
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Reporter-News
BAIRD, TEXAS

Bear Facts

The Baird High School Paper
EDITORIAL

By Bobby Wagner
CHRISTMAS

The thrill of the year has come again; everyone is happy and rushing around. The children just can't wait, each one is trying to guess what Santa is going to bring him, and hoping for the best. In every house there is a tree, decorated beautifully with presents and decorations. You can hear the men talking about their adventures or business, and smell the sweet odor from the kitchen where the women are cooking cakes, turkey, and other Christmas foods. Everyone is looking forward to a great celebration and a good time. Christmas is the most celebrated day of the year. Why? Because Christ was born on that day, and people who love and praise him realize how fortunate we are to get to celebrate the birthday of the Christ, for in some nations the people don't get that opportunity. There isn't much to be said about Christmas, because everyone knows why we celebrate Christmas and give praise to the Lord.

STATE COMMITTEE COMPLIMENTS SCHOOL

The State Executive Committee of the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools have notified Supt. Olaf G. South that Baird High School has again been recommended for membership in that organization.

The notice contained also the following statement: "Your State Executive Committee congratulates you, your teaching staff and the School Board upon the very excellent report of your school in spite of the trying conditions which confront every school in Texas at this time."

Baird is the only school in Callahan County which holds membership in the Southern Association.

SOCIETY NEWS

Ann Meridith and Eloise Grant Don Gorman, a member of the Senior class, was called to the Army, and left last Sunday, Dec. 17. Don was a good student and took part in all the athletics. He played football all four years in High School and several years in grade school also. He was the Star end last year, and the star quarter-back this year. Both years

he was elected 'Most Valuable football Player.' The Senior Class gave him a farewell party in the High School gym Wednesday night Dec. 13, and Mrs. Archie Nichols gave him a party Saturday night. He received a swell traveling bag, and several other gifts from members of the Senior Class. Everyone regretted to see Don leave, but the Senior Class is looking forward to the day when he will come home.

Several of the Baird Bear football boys went to Abilene Friday, December 15 to see the game between Ballinger and Seymour for the Regional Champs, that was won by Seymour.

LEFT BEHIND

Why does the door never open
Why does the answer come one
To call and whistle to me?
Why does the old hunting gun
Hang on its place on the wall?
Why does he never take it down
To go hunting in the Fall?
Why did he go away
In those strange clothes he wore?
Why did he stop and look back at
the house
As if he might not see it
anymore?
Why did he go and leave me
I, his dog, his friend?
Where has my master gone?
When will he be back again?
By Helen Burks
Junior 1944-45

SPORTS

Sam Gorman and Harry Varner After the Bears won the game with Eula, the A.C.C. Academy came down to play a non-conference game Tuesday night, December 12. This was the fastest basketball game ever played in the Baird gym this year. At the end of the first quarter the score was 7 to 7; at the half it was 10 to 10; at the third quarter it was 16 to 18 in their favor. The Bears took the lead in the last quarter and the game ended with the Bears ahead 21 to 18. The high scoring player in the game was Horace Bains, right forward.

The Bears went to Denton last Saturday, December 16, and won the tournament by winning three games and losing none. The first game was with Novice, who was defeated 14 to 34. Tom Odum, center, made the most points for the Bears. The Bears next beat Eula, with the score of 15 to 24. The high scoring player was Horace Bains, who made 11 points. The last game was with Denton, who was defeated 5 to 28.

The high scoring player for the Bears was Tom Odum. These three games that Baird won gave them the trophy, but it hasn't arrived yet. The girls also went to the tournament, but lost the first game, which was with Denton. The score was 20 to 11.

We are glad to add V. C. Hamilton to our list of renewed subscribers.

J. Carl Hensley of Fort Worth was here this week on a regular visit. While here he subscribed to the paper.

Mrs. A. D. Lomy of Clyde Rt. 2 wrote to have The Star sent to her for another year.

E. B. Mullican, a resident of Baird for thirty-three years, visited the editor his week, and ordered the paper sent to him for the coming year.

Mrs. Ed Wise of California and Mrs. Ella Hale of Amarillo are spending Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Jobs at Putnam.

JOHNSON BROTHERS ARE IN SERVICE

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Johnson have two sons in the service. S-St. Sgt. Vernon recently landed in Africa. He has been in the army four years. He wrote home that he is in a beautiful part of the country and that the natives are very good to the boys in service. He also reports a fine Thanksgiving dinner.

Another son, Pfc. Wade H., is in the European Theater of war. He has been in the service three years, spending two years across. Before entering, he was a T. P. employe.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Poindexter who have lived in the county for forty-five years, visited the editor Tuesday. Mr. Poindexter is a farmer at Oplin. While here he complimented the paper and also renewed his subscription.

Have you renewed your subscription to The Star? Save 50c before January 1, 1945.

Minerals vs. Pasture

There's the mistaken idea among many cattle raisers that they can eliminate the feeding of a mineral supplement during pasture feeding time. This is incorrect. Pastures are just as deficient in minerals as the ground on which crops are grown. When cattle eat grass, they eat less grain and thus fail to get proper minerals.

When you eliminate minerals during pasture feeding, a deficiency is often set up in the animal. Then when mineral feeding is started after they are put in the barn, it must be fed for weeks to make up the mineral deficiency.

The Milk Market Reporter of Chicago has made this statement: "The cost of a good mineral mixture is so very slight and the advantages in the long run are so certain that it is recommended that all milk cows, growing calves and breeding stock be given an ample supply the year round."

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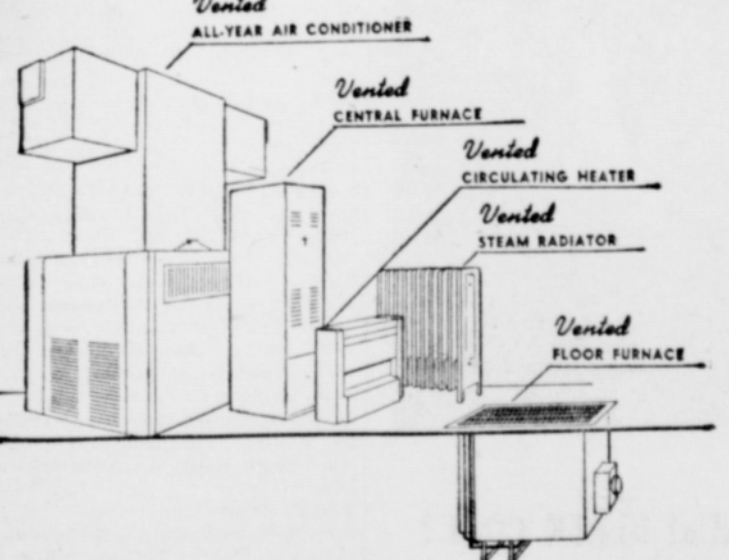


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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
A. A. Davis, Pastor

W. L. Lewis, S. S. Supt. Preaching services 11 a. m., and 7:30 p. m. each Sunday. Sunday School, 10 a. m. B. T. U., 6:30 p. m. W. M. S., Wednesday, 3:30 p. m. Church Conference, each first Wednesday night. General public invited to all services.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Rev. S. P. Collins, Pastor

Preaching services 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Sundays. Sunday School, 10 a. m. S. I. Smith, Superintendent. Ladies Meeting, Monday 3 p. m., Church. General public invited to all services.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

Church school 10:00 a. m. Morning worship 11:00 a. m. M. Y. F. service 6:45 p. m. Evening services 7:30 p. m. M. Y. F. recreational hour following evening preaching service. Choir practice every Thursday evening 7:30 p. m. W. S. C. C. Monday 3:00 p. m. The church with a welcome and place for everyone. Come, be in your place for every service.
R. H. CAMPBELL
Pastor

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WANTED—A few loads of wood, dry or green. S. D. Jobe, 3 miles west of Baird on Abilene Highway.

FOR SALE—John Deere model B tractor. 1 mile south, half mile west Denton store on highway 36. Hermon Scott. 4tp

APARTMENT WANTED—For man and wife light housekeeping. Will pay \$25.00 mo. for close in desirable rooms. Care The Baird Star. 2tp

WANTED TO BUY—Horses and mules that you want to sell. Howard Gary, Cross Plains. 6tp

Good bundle of hegari for sale. J. W. Hughes, Baird Star Rt. 2 1tp

LOST—Link sterling silver bracelet on streets Saturday night. Reward upon return to Anne Hill or Star Office. 2tp

LOST—White gold bow type breastpin with white sets in Baird Monday. Finder please return to Star Office and collect \$2 reward. Mrs. Charlie Straley, Clyde, Texas, Route 2.

FOR SALE—F-12 Farmall and equipment. Good rubber. 4 miles southwest of Clyde Neal Tedford Rt 2 Clyde, Texas.

There is a big black bear at my place. Owner please come and get him. J. A. Sikes, Rowden.

Dave O'Shields of Oplin renewed his subscription to The Star Tuesday.

R. P. Stephenson wrote from Clyde Route 1 to have The Star sent to him for another year.

If you have not renewed your subscription, do so before January 1st, and save 50c.

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Hospital Notes

Born to Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Woods of Cisco, Rt. 1 December 17th a girl named Sandra Ann. Born to Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Crawford of Clyde December 14th, a girl named Barbara Wenona. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Woodard, Kermit, Texas, December 16th a son.

Born to T-Sgt. and Mrs. Jack Sims, December 16th a girl named Cheryl Sue.

Mrs. Manda Buford entered the hospital Thursday suffering iritis. Mrs. K. V. Lewis was an X-ray patient December 13th, with a fractured hand.

Hinds McGowan was X-rayed December 12th. He has an injured knee.

Rawleigh left the hospital Monday after being in for several days with heart trouble.

Grandma Boatwright was in Wednesday to have the cast removed from her shoulder.

Barbara Mayhew left the hospital Tuesday to go to her home in Cross Plains after having surgery several days ago. She had a ruptured appendix.

Mrs. Lon Haley, who has been in the hospital some time is slowly improving.

Mrs. Lillie Merrell is doing nicely.

M. M. Woodward, lumber man from Clyde, visited The Star Tuesday and renewed his subscription for another year.

Miss Maxine Bishop who has been making her home in San Antonio, arrived here Monday to visit her father, Mack Bishop, over the holidays.

Miss Burma Warren was in the other day to renew the subscription for her father, H. A. Warren, and to have the paper sent to her brother, H. A. Warren, Jr. in the Navy at New ork.

Mrs. J. E. Alexander returned to her home Sunday after spending five weeks in a hospital in Cisco. She is reported to be doing nicely.

We enjoyed a visit from W. M. James, owner of the High Way Garage, Saturday. He has made his home here for 67 years. While here he renewed his subscription to the paper.

When Mrs. H. A. McWorter and daughter, Mrs. Col. Dyer, were in the office Saturday, Mrs. McWorter renewed her subscription for the coming year, and said she enjoyed reading such a fine paper.

Miss Sybil Ann Elder of Venezuela, South America, is spending the holidays with her grandmother, Mrs. Cora Work, and Penic, Dr. and Mrs. R. L. Griggs, and Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Brumbough. Miss Elder is attending school at Gulf Park College, Gulfport, Miss.

Mrs. E. B. Brown received a Christmas card Friday from her brother, Pvt. William A. Stiles, sent from Guadalcanal, where he has been stationed for twenty-three months. His mother, Mrs. Louise Stiles had the paper sent to W. A. for the coming year.

Robert H. Holser and daughter, Velma, of Clyde visited The Star Saturday and renewed their subscription to the paper.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
A. A. Davis, Pastor

Christmas Season is here, with all its beautiful sentiments and up lifting ideals. Many appreciate deeply the opportunities of the season, to reflect the true spirit and intent of the day, Peace on Earth and Good will toward men. We do not believe nor teach that the day has any scriptural significance. Concerning such day, as the Birthday of the Lord, the Holy Scriptures are silent. Primarily, the festival of Christmas is of Pagan Catholic Origin. We do not celebrate it as a festival, nor do we regard it as a HOLY day. We do however, subscribe fully to the Spirit of the season, we need more of it in the world today, Peace on Earth, and Good will toward men.

Sunday Morning we plan to preach on the subject: The Kind of Peace Jesus Brought to the World. Sunday night the Sunday School teachers and children will give a Christmas Program. The general public is invited to these services. Gifts for all the Children through the Junior department will be distributed.

CARD OF THANKS

To our many friends who so kindly expressed their sympathy when we received word that our boy, S-Sgt. Clarence Burleson, Jr. had been killed in action, we extend heartfelt thanks. Your thoughtfulness will long be remembered.

CARD OF THANKS

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Burleson, and children

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We wish to thank Dr. Griggs, the hospital staff, and all who sent cards, flowers and eats during my stay in the hospital.
Mr. and Mrs. Jim Alphin

Another pioneer of this county, S. W. Jobe, visited the editor Tuesday. Mr. Jobe, who came of Baird in 1881, has served as deputy under four Callahan county sheriffs. He can tell many stories of early day deer hunts. While here he renewed his subscription for the coming year, and heartily complimented our paper.

Saturday when Alex McWhorter Jr. was here from his farm near Oplin, he visited The Star and paid up his subscription for another year.

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