



The Baird Star

"On The Bankhead Highway"
"The Broadway of
America."

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

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FIRST ISSUE OF THE BAIRD STAR PUBLISHED 46 YEARS AGO TODAY

Today, December 8th, The Baird Star celebrates its 46th birthday. On December 8, 1887, the first number of the paper was issued by its founder, the late W. E. Gilliland, who had on November 28th, purchased from Howard Allen, the Callahan County Clarendon which was discontinued and The Baird Star established.

The printing plant was located in a frame building where the Odd Fellows Hall now stands and the paper was printed on an old Washington hand press.

About a year later, a larger press, a Prouty, was installed, which was also a hand press, but was later equipped as a power press and run with a steam engine. Later a gasoline engine was installed and a few years later electrical motive power was put in.

New machinery and equipment has been added until today there is not a piece of the original mechanical equipment in use in the plant. The old Prouty press was replaced some years ago by a Babcock Standard and the old press was dismantled and used to reinforce the concrete foundation for the new press. A Linotype machine, modern job presses and other equipment was added until The Star now has one of the best and most modernly equipped printing plants to be found in any country weekly plant in this section of the state.

Many changes have taken place in Baird during the life time of The Baird Star. The First National Bank is the only business establishment now in existence that was operating at that time, but with an entirely new personnel in the officers and directors. So far as we know, not a single member of the officials of the bank at that time are living today. The death messenger has taken a heavy toll of the pioneers of Baird within the past 46 years and many have moved away.

Judge Otis Bowyer is the only professional man living here who was here when The Star was established and while the snows of many winters have frosted his hair he still is actively engaged in the practice of law. Among those who were living in Baird at that time we can now name only the following who are now living here. They are Judge and Mrs. Otis Bowyer, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Powell, Mr. and Mrs. H. Schwartz, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Estes, Mrs. M. L. Teeple, H. W. Ross, Mrs. Than Warren Bob Warren, Mike Sigel, J. W. Seay, Mrs. Murry Harris, Jesse Boland, Mrs. Chas. Fiedler, Mrs. Mary Cooper, Mrs. Joe McGowan, Mrs. G. W. Jones, R. A. Williams, Jim Williams, Mrs. Ed Lambert, Ed Frazier, Mrs. Ira Frazier and Mrs. W. G. Bowls and in honor of these pioneers of Baird, and in sacred memory of our father, W. E. Gilliland, who established The Baird Star, and all other pioneers of Baird, we respectfully dedicate this issue of The Star.

Sheriff Edwards Give Prisoners Turkey Dinner

Sheriff R. L. Edwards served a tasty Thanksgiving dinner to the ten men in the county jail on last Thursday. The dinner was cooked by Mrs. Edwards. There was an abundance of baked turkey giblets, dressing, creamed potatoes, fresh tomatoes and cranberry sauce.

On the Saturday before Sheriff Edwards gave the prisoners a venison feast, he having brought a fine deer home with him from his recent hunting trip in the Davis mountains.

County Relief Work

There are now 350 men working on different projects in the county and more will be given work as proposed projects are approved.

The proposed project of grading and graveling the streets in Baird has been approved and work will be started soon.

Missionary Society Has Social Meeting

The Methodist Missionary Society met in the regular monthly social session at the home of Mrs. Clifford Jones Monday with Mes. Russell, McCoy and Barringer as co-hostesses.

Mrs. Griswold related, in a beautiful way, the Christmas story "The Other Wise Man;" some interesting contests were held, the prizes for the winners being taken from the brilliantly lighted and decorated Christmas tree, which stood in a corner of the living room. Afterward a delicious salad plate was served to the following members and guests: Mrs. J. H. Carpenter, Mrs. W. A. Fetterley, Mrs. J. T. Griswold, Mrs. V. E. Hill, Mrs. Brice Jones, Mrs. A. R. Kelton, Mrs. Ted Lamar, Mrs. H. A. McWhorter, Mrs. Bob Norrell, Mrs. J. M. Reynolds, Mrs. S. P. Rumph, Mrs. G. E. Sutphen, Mrs. Virgil Jones, Mrs. A. R. Hutchison and the hostesses.

Baird Grammar School Cubs Entertained By Mothers

One of the outstanding school affairs of the year was held Wednesday evening at the Methodist church, when the mothers entertained the "Cubs," their guests, and the Grammar school faculty with a banquet.

"Big Bear" Mr. Settle was toastmaster for the occasion. Judge Blackburn, the main speaker of the evening, in the "Kick-off" compared a football game to life. A child makes a kick-off when he first enters school, again in high school and again in every new venture. The kick-off must be accompanied by determination and will power if a touchdown is made. Loyce Bell, the pep leader, represented the "Rooting Section" of the school.

Mr. Boren, in the "First Touchdown," said, "Life is just one big football game." He illustrated his point by the example of the "Great Stone Face." A clean, honest life is ever the winner.

A duet by Loyce Bell and Wyoma King, accompanied by Billy Hollingshead at the piano. Katie Mae Nichols whistler, was given "Between Halves." "Cub passes" were enjoyed as each "cub" expressed his feeling for his team, coach and school.

Mr. Smith, coach, gave the "Final Whistle." He pointed out the advantages derived from football.

Following the final whistle, the group sang "Our Grammar School." Guest list: Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Smith Judge and Mrs. L. L. Blackburn, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Boren, Dr. and Mrs. J. T. Griswold, S. E. Settle, Mrs. Bessie Short, Misses Glennie Eoyd, Mildred DeSpain, Ethelyn Clark. Football boys and guests: Jimmie Beasley, Ellen G. Tankersley, Joseph Fiedler, Tina Murphy, Russel Chatham, Myrtle Helen Weldon, Billie Hollingshead, Bill Yarbrough, Wendell Jones, Dolores Kylee, J. B. Pitzer, Vivian Grace West, Jim Tom Lawrence, Jo Ruth Arvin, E. J. Norbert, Clyde Wallace Yarbrough, Cora Virginia Work, Aubrey Grounds, Nick Jackson, R. B. Cooper, Bobby Latimer, Gene Lee Finley, Bobby Owens, Sterling Reynolds, Charles Coats, John Work, Betty McCoy, James Walls, Bob Austin, Jiggs Black, Charles Allman, Nell Gee, Truett Black, Ray Black, Truman Black, Buck Coats, Marvin Swenson, Carleton Gillett, Madge Bennett, R. L. Griggs, Jr., Katie Mae Nichols, Carlisle Hensley, Pink Hearn, Billy McCoy, Bob Settle, Arnold Thompson, Weldon Corn, Nolan Cooper, Lois Bell, Wyoma King, Robert Estes, Thomas West, Mary Lillian Harrell.

MARRIED

Mr. R. L. Sitton of Abilene and Miss Mac Ross of Potosi were married at the Baptist parsonage Dec. 6, Rev. Joe R. Mayes officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Sitton will make their home in Abilene.

Funeral Rites Held For Mrs. J. F. Barton at Tecumseh

Last rites for Mrs. J. F. Barton, a native daughter of the state and resident of Callahan county for 58 years, were held Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the grave in the Tecumseh cemetery. Rev. Dick Bright, Potosi Baptist minister, officiated.

Mrs. Barton, 79 years old, succumbed Monday night at her farm home four miles southwest of Dudley, following an illness of two weeks. She had made her home in the same residence she came to as a bride in 1875.

Mrs. Barton was the former Bettie Connell born in Milam county. She was married there in 1875 to J. F. Barton and moved immediately to the Dudley community, where her husband had purchased land and established a frontier home. She resided there continuously until her death.

Four sons and four daughters survive: Lane Barton, Seagraves; J. G. Barton, Dudley; Seth Barton, Pampa; Homer Barton, Anson; Mrs. E. A. Jones, Seymour; Mrs. Sam Johnson, Temple; Mrs. E. J. Crawford, Dudley; Miss Euphia Barton, Dudley. Three sisters also survive. Mrs. Tod Windham, Oplin; Mr. W. H. Puckett, Childress; Miss Lou Connell, Canadian.

Mrs. Barton was a member of the Christian church and a charter member of the Order of Eastern Star at Oplin.

IONA SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

The following students made an average of 90 or above on all subjects for the second month of school.

First Grade: Glenn Appleton, Carney Tyler.
Second Grade: Dorothy Hatley, Inez Nichols.
Third Grade: Ollivene Lindle, Verna Fay Franklin.
Fourth Grade: L. M. Tyler, Leferne Bryant, Louise Lindle, Dalton Franklin.
Fifth Grade: James Browning, Margie Nicholous.
Sixth Grade: Margie Wade Harding.
Seventh Grade: Dorothy Bryant, Nila Pearl Appleton.

METHODIST CHURCH

December 10, 1933
9:45. Sunday school.
11:30. Sermon by Rev. James Culppeper of Putnam.
6:0. Epworth League meets.
7:00. Song Program.
3:00. Monday. Missionary Society convenes.
7:00. Wednesday mid-week prayer service, led by T. E. Powell. We will consider the 10th chapter of Heb., with special emphasis on the 25th verse.

The pastor and wife will be visitors in Houston, for a week. He expects to return December 11 or 12. His address while gone is 2121 Brentwood, Houston Texas, care of Dr. C. M. Griswold.

J. T. Griswold.

Simmons Cowboy Band Concert Here To Night

The Cowboy Band of Simmons University will appear in concert at the high school auditorium here at 8 o'clock on Friday, December 8, it is announced.

A varied concert and entertainment program will be given under the direction of Prof. D. O. Wiley, the conductor who has led this famous organization on its wide travels over the United States and Europe during the past twelve years. Prof. Wiley is also director of the school of band music in the Simmons conservatory.

Marches, overtures, solos, popular numbers and novelty numbers will be used to give the program classis, educational and entertainment values. Harold Woolridge clarinet soloist, formerly with Sousa's Band, Billy Morrow, xylophonist, are featured specialists with the band.

"It is one of the smoothest bands we ever had," said Prof. Wiley, speaking of the forty men who will make the trip. "I look for it to be one of the best concert bands in our history." The Cowboys will give their program clad, as usual, in their colorful uniforms which include boots, chaps, and ten gallon hats.

Mrs. H. W. Ross Succumbs To Long Illness

Mrs. H. W. Ross died at the family home just north of Baird last Friday morning at 3 o'clock.

Funeral services were held at the Methodist church Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, with Rev. J. T. Griswold, pastor, conducting the services. Interment was made in Ross cemetery.

Pall bearers were: L. L. Blackburn, Ace Hickman, V. E. Hill, Lonnie Ray, J. H. Grimes, C. B. Snyder, Jr., Carleton Powell and B. L. Russell, Jr.

Mrs. Ross has been in ill health for several years and only a few months ago returned home from Dallas where she spent some months under the care of her brother, Dr. J. W. Bourland. She seemed to improve some after coming home and her family and friends were hopeful that she would again be restored to health.

Mrs. Ross is survived by her husband, H. W. Ross, a daughter, Mrs. Frances Bookhout, of Dallas, two sons, James Ross and Hugh Ross, Jr. of Baird; two sisters, Mrs. Joe Lee of Wichita Falls, and Mrs. R. D. Matthews of Big Springs and one brother, Dr. J. W. Bourland of Dallas; one grandson and granddaughter, John and Mary Frances Bookhout of Dallas.

Mrs. Ross was formerly Mary Bourland, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. H. A. Bourland. She was born at Troy, Mo., August 29 1864. She was married to H. W. Ross of Baird, November 18, 1899 in Waco, and came to Baird as a bride. Mrs. Ross had formerly taught for two years in the public school at Belle Plaine in the early 80's, when that place was the county seat of Callahan county.

Mrs. Ross was very active in church and civic work. She served for several years as president of the Methodist Missionary Society and was also a past president of the Wednesday Club. She was a most lovable Christian woman, a devoted and loving wife and mother and a steadfast friend and her untimely death brings sorrow to many who have known and loved her.

Relatives and friends who were here to attend the funeral were: Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Bourland, Mrs. Frances Bookhout John and Mary Francis Bookhout of Dallas; Mrs. R. D. Matthews of Big Spring; Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Lee of Wichita Falls; Mrs. A. M. Miller of Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Abdon Holt of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Haley of Cisco; Mr. and Mrs. Lon Haley of Cross Plains.

Mrs. Lambert Given Surprise Party

Mrs. Henry Lambert was given a surprise birthday party Tuesday afternoon by Mrs. J. A. Jackson and Mrs. J. Y. Gilliland, which was really a surprise. The occasion was Mrs. Lambert's 77th birthday and she and her daughter, Miss Jeffe Lambert and Mrs. Ed Lambert were setting around the fire when about 2 o'clock friends began to come in in twos and threes, each bringing gifts, which included birthday cakes and the surprise was most pleasant.

The afternoon was pleasantly spent. The ladies even hid themselves back to child hood days and went out in the yard where such games as jumping the rope, dropping the handkerchief and snap was played.

Those present on this happy occasion were: Mesdames J. A. Jackson, J. Y. Gilliland, J. B. Cutbirth, T. Emmons, E. B. Mullican, C. L. Dickey, Frank Dyer, A. E. Dyer, Addie Anderson, Martha Gilliland, Price McFarlane, J. J. Price, Ada Uzzell, Ben Halstead, W. T. Wheeler, J. McCoy, John Asbury, Mary Warren, Sarah Barclay, Elzira Dodd, Tom Livingston, D. F. Harp, Alex McWhorter, Ed Lambert, Misses Susie Walker, Jeffe Lambert, Eliska Gilliland, Little Misses Gail Dyer, Nettie Elvira Gilliland, and Mr. and Mrs. Palmer Hodges of Sweetwater.

WOODMAN CIRCLE

Holly Grove No. 570, Woodman Circle will pack a Christmas box for the Orphans Home at Sherman on December 18th. All members are asked to contribute to this box. Bring your gifts to the Hall on the 18th when the box will be packed. Mrs. Essie Ford, Guardian. Eliza Gilliland, Clerk.

CALLAHAN COUNTY ONION GROWERS ASSOCIATION TO MEET

Methodist Missionary Society Elect Officers

At the business meeting of the Women's Missionary Society Nov. 27, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President, Mrs. W. A. Fetterley.
Vice President, Mrs. B. L. Russell, Jr.
Recording Secretary, Mrs. Irvin Corn.
Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Bob Norrell.
Treasurer, Mrs. Ace Hickman.
Local Treasurer, Mrs. J. M. Reynolds.
Superintendent of Study, Mrs. J. T. Griswold.
Superintendent, Christian Social Relations, Mrs. W. S. Hamlett.
Superintendent Publicity, Mrs. S. P. Rumph.
Superintendent Children, Mrs. Ted Lamar.
Superintendent Supplies, Mrs. M. G. Farmer.
Agent for World Outlook, Mrs. Lua James.

Attention Farmers Who Slaughter Hogs For Market

The following letter was received by Mr. Jenkins, county agent, yesterday and he publishes same for your information and protection.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT
Office of Commissioner of Internal Revenue
Washington, D. C.
MT-PT-Mimeograph Dec. 1, 1933
Coll. No. 4112.

Determination of Processing tax in the case of a farmer who slaughters his own hogs and sells any part of the products thereof.

Collectors of Internal Revenue: A farmer who slaughters his own hogs and thereafter sells any part of the products thereof and reserves a portion for his own use is slaughtering hogs for market and is a processor of hogs. Such processor must keep the records required in Regulations 81 and T. D. 4406 and make return on P. T. Form 4 for each month.

The farmer who slaughters his own hogs for market must ascertain the live weight thereof at the time of slaughter. Such processor will be regarded also as a producer entitled to Section 15 (b) of the Act and Article 9 (a) of Regulations 81 with respect to the processing by himself for consumption by him, his own family, his own employees or his own household. The exemption must be established by affidavits or certificates on P. T. Form 29. The particular description of carcass or cuts set forth in P. T. Form 29 must correspond with the description of products processed from hogs in regulations of the Secretary of Agriculture incorporated in paragraph D of T. D. 4406. The quantity in pounds of each description of carcass or cut so claimed as exempt from processing tax as shown in monthly return on P. T. Form 4 (supported by affidavits or certificates on P. T. Form 29) will be converted by the respective conversion factor (established by the Secretary of Agriculture and given in the paragraph of the T. D. mentioned) into a quantity or quantities the sum of which will be deducted from the total live weight of hogs put in process. The remainder will be the quantity subject to processing tax at the rate prescribed by the Secretary of Agriculture.

Every processor concerned should be advised accordingly. Inquires in regard to this mimeograph should refer to the number and the symbols MT-PT.

GUY E. HELVERING
Commissioner.

BIRTHS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Gillet of Belle Plaine, on December 2 1933, a boy.

Relative to notices in the local papers regarding the forming of a pool to plant onions, we will hold meetings as follows:

Baird December 12, Tuesday afternoon, 2:30 p. m., Court House.
Clyde, December 12, Tuesday night, 7:00 p. m., School House.
Putnam, December 13, Wednesday afternoon, 2:30 p. m., Tabernacle.
Oplin, December 13, Wednesday night, 7:00 p. m., Church House.
Cross Plains, December 14, Thursday night, 7:00 p. m., School House.
Mr. P. L. Miller, onion expert from Farmersville, Texas has a very interesting message to all growers who are interested in the growing of onions on a commercial scale, and will appreciate your being present and telling all of your friends and neighbors to be present to hear Mr. Miller.

As you have been reading, we are forming a pool of from 150 to 200 acres to be planted in Crystal Wax and Yellow Bermuda Onion plants to see if we cannot give our people in this community a new source of revenue from their farm operations. Quite a few of our friends have already told us that they have been growing onions in a small way very successfully and I feel sure that by work and effort on the part of our citizens we can develop this to a large scale operation. As a matter of information, last year, the growers in Collin county, north of Dallas, harvested around 900 cars of onions which returned to them around \$500 000.00.

Mr. Miller has a market for every car of onions that we can grow and will pay market price at the time your onions are harvested. Please spread the news to your friends and neighbors to be present and hear Mr. Miller. I will also explain details of the 1934 and 1935 cotton program. Yours very truly,
ROSS B. JENKINS,
County Agent.

G. O. P. CLUB

The G. O. P. Club met in the home of Berliena Bullock at 6:30 Wednesday evening, Nov. 29, to organize. They elected officers, which were as follows: Berliena Bullock, president; Laura Ince, vice president; Mary Bullock, secretary and treasurer; Ola Faye Snow, reporter. The room in which they were entertained was decorated very beautiful with autumn leaves and chrysanthemums.

After the business meeting refreshments of orange ice cream and wafers were served to those present. The G. O. P. Club had as their guest an old school chum, Sarah Nell Coates of Winters. The club adjourned early so that all might attend the pep rally. Every member please be at our next meeting which will be held on Wednesday of next week.

EASTERN STAR MEETING

Callahan Chapter No. 242 O. E. S. will meet in regular session Tuesday evening December 12th. All members are urged to be present. Visitors are welcome.

Miss Ruby Harp, Secretary.
Mrs. Ruby Russell W. M.

Contract For Work On Highway 191 To Be Let

A contract for the grading and drainage work on Highway 191—the Albany-Baird-Coleman north and south road will be let by the State Highway Department on December 18. This bid calls for work on some think like eight miles south from Baird beginning at Second street in Baird. (See advertisements for bids in this issue of the Star.)

Commissioner J. W. Hammons, with a crew of nine men began setting fences back on the right of way for this road yesterday.

The building of this road will be one of the best things that could be done to help Baird at this time. It will give work to those who need it and bring money to the business concerns of Baird and we all look forward to better times when this work gets under way.

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NOTICE—Any erroneous reflection upon the character, standing, or reputation of any person, firm or corporation which may appear in the columns of The Bairst Star, will be gladly corrected upon its being brought to the attention of the publisher.

4-H Club News

At a called meeting of the boys of Cottonwood, presided over by Mrs. A. C. Halsell, the first 4-H Club ever to be organized by the school, was made Friday afternoon at 3:30.

Derward Varner, a junior, was elected president.

Alvin Hargrove, a sophomore, was elected Secretary.

Prof. H. S. Varner was elected teacher in charge.

James Strahan, a junior, was elected vice-president.

Other members of the club are: James Stuart, sophomore; Malcolm Hardy, 5th grade; Lee Coats, sophomore; Jodie Lofton, sophomore; Truman Moore, junior; Donald Strahan, 7th grade; all have a great enthusiasm for the work and have promised County Agent Ross B. Jenkins that they will work and produce a show that will make Dad set up and take notice.

There are other boys who are planning to get into the club as soon as the details have been worked out with their parents.

Some of the first projects that have been selected are a Pig Club and a Corn Club. At least three members are enrolled in each project. The County Agent will meet with the Club once a month.

Congressman Blanton Warns James Shaw Homes Must Be Saved

Thomas L. Blanton, 17th district congressman, has fired another blast at James Shaw, Texas manager of the home owners loan corporation. A copy of the letter was sent to The Star with request for publication in full.

In support of his charge that the Texas office of the corporation is not functioning in the respect that a 'jam' of applications has arisen, Blanton asserted that Shaw's office, when applications are made, asks for a Dun & Bradstreet rating on the applicants, one of whom was listed as Mrs. Bessie M. Brummett, who has applied for a \$1,400 loan to save her home from foreclosure.

"I like you personally," Blanton wrote Shaw, "but am going to be frank in stating that if your machinery in the future doesn't function I am going to do my best to change machinery and get other machinery that will function. Homes, where security is ample, must be saved from foreclosure. Applications must not be pigeonholed. There must be dispatch. There must be no further inexcusable delays."

Congressman Blanton's letter, in full:

Dear Mr. Shaw:
Yours of the 27th, which you had a banker to publish this morning, is misleading. You can't justify your inexcusable "failure to function" by intimating that I would "lend public money without proper information." All posted persons will admit that my 16 years in congress shows an unbroken record in saving government money and fighting against waste.

When congress gave you the machinery and money to refinance homes, to prevent foreclosures, it expected you to promptly submit all applications to the county appraisers, and when property values justified loans, that you would promptly have the

titles examined, speedily closing all deserving loans.

Because I justly upbraided you for pigeonholing applications for months, and not promptly submitting them to county appraisers, you reflect upon their integrity by insinuating that they can't be trusted. The 19 men I selected as appraisers for the 19 counties in my district were all hand-picked and are capable, well-informed, experienced, well-qualified men of integrity, who will favorably measure up with you in business sagacity, patriotism and loyalty to the government. You first objected to Hon. L. H. Flewellen of Ranger, claiming his appointment had been protested, but I finally made you admit that only one person had objected to him, and that was a man noted for his enmity to me politically and whose name you gave me.

You can't make a loan until you submit the application to these county appraisers. They contact the applicants, spend hours helping them apply and receive \$5 per loan. Most of them have received about \$10 for three months hard work, receiving only about two appraisals.

You did not deny or disprove the figures I sent you for my 19 counties. You gave preliminary appraisals, made by your special, private appraiser drawing \$150 per month and expenses. I selected him. He is no better qualified than the regular county appraisers. Get your preliminary appraisals if you want them, but afterwards promptly send the applications deemed worthy to the county appraisers, who must act before loans are made.

Why did you not state in your publication that after having your private appraiser make his preliminary appraisal, you then call on Dun & Bradstreet mercantile reporting agency for one of their technical financial reports on each borrower before you are ready to submit the application to the regular appraiser for the county who must appraise before a loan can be made. Congress did not contemplate a Dun & Bradstreet financial report as a requirement. I deem your action in this respect simply ridiculous.

I gave you specific, reliable reports furnished me by the appraisers and attorneys for the counties of Taylor, Nolan, Jones, Callahan, Palo Pinto, Stephens, Comanche, Runnels, Coleman, Mills, San Saba, Lampasas, McCulloch, and Llano, showing the number of applicants, the appraisals submitted to the county appraisers, and the abstracts sent the attorneys for examination. Yet, you state, I "did not show the situation in my other counties," indicating they were satisfactory. I had only five other counties, Burnett with two appraisals and one abstract; Concho with no appraisals and no abstracts; Brown, with 15 appraisals and no abstracts; Shackelford, with one appraisal, and no abstract; and Eastland, with 25 appraisals, and only 5 abstracts, with five loans approved, but none closed there.

Evidently, your office has thrown many applications in the wastebasket, as Nolan county sent you 175, and you report only 83; Jones county has sent you nearly 300 while you report only 66; McCulloch county has sent you about 80, while you report only 32; Stephens county has sent you about 75 while you report only 40, and so in all of my 19 counties your records show only part of the applications sent you.

Because Appraiser Reagan complained about not receiving appraisals, he was "cussed out" by your Mr. Jamison. Because Attorney Haynie complained about abstracts not being sent, you "dressed him down." You admit receiving 283 applications from Taylor county yet up to November 15 you had sent the county appraiser here only 15 appraisals, 10 of which loans were simply for paving and taxes. But my complaint to you has accomplished much for you have sent him 17 more appraisals here, making 38 in all to date.

Mr. J. W. Atkinson had a loan of \$3,500 on his home; he paid \$1,500. He applied to you several months ago for a loan of \$2,000, but you let the mortgage foreclose, and take his home from him. You didn't even have it appraised. Mr. R. H. Gambill's home is to be sold Dec. 5 for a debt of less than one-fourth of what it cost yet you haven't even asked the county appraiser here to appraise it. Mrs. Bessie M. Brummett applied for \$1,400; you asked Dun and Bradstreet for a "financial report" and they approved the loan, yet you haven't submitted it to the county appraiser here.

Congress expected it's machinery to function, and to save homes from foreclosure, where the security met requirements. Your office has not been functioning. You have been wasting time getting Bradstreet and Dun financial reports. I like you personally, but am going to be frank in stating that if your machinery in the future doesn't function, I am going to do my best to change machinery and get other machinery that will function. Homes where security is ample, must be saved from foreclosure. Applications must not be pigeonholed. There must be dispatch. There must be no further inexcusable delays.

Very truly yours,
(Signed) THOMAS L. BLANTON.

Oplin Junior-Senior Have Banquet

Wednesday evening, the 29th of November, the Junior and Senior classes of Oplin high school gave a grand supper and entertainment for teachers and special guests who were invited by members of the class.

The lights were dimly shaded with tiny branches of autumn leaves. The rooms were also decorated with golden orange and dark red branches of autumn trees.

The supper was served at 8:30 o'clock. President of senior class, Fred Windham, called the house to order. Mr. Claude Morse asked the blessing.

The supper consisted of Roasted turkey and dressing, cranberry sauce, vegetable and fruit salads, olives, pickles, hot chocolate and coffee.

Expert musicians, Orlum Bains and L. D. Chrane of Abilene and Mr. Ben Nordyke and daughter, Miss Kathelene Nordyke of Winters, entertained with Hawaiian music, accompanied by the violin. Miss Nordyke sang with Orlum Bains playing the Hawaiian guitar, Mr. Nordyke the violin, and Mr. Chrane playing the standard guitar. Joe Tollett of Bairst could not take his part.

The members that composed the party were:

Senior class: Fred Windham, Lucille Windham, Abilene; Elba Bains, Joe Tollett, Bairst; Lena Mae Preston, Leo Chrane, Dudley; Christine Bryson, Clarence Breeding, Lillian Breeding, Bud Nordyke, Haskell; Leland Straley, Mary Ella Hambrick, Lola Warren, Blanton Wilkerson, Bonnie Bradshaw, R. F. Wright, Tommie Wagner, Gwendolyn Floyd.

Members Junior class and guests: Frank Edward Johnson, Viola Clair, Harold Streakley, Lorene Harris, Abilene; Gerald Reid, Sybil Morse,

Opal Poindexter, T. J. Wilkerson, Lucille McWhorter, Donald Floyd, Etna Monroe, Kin Allen, Cecil Windham, Janice Wilkerson, Loyd McWhorter, Lela Faye Looney, Adell Turner, Bernice Steakley, Dale Haynes, Durwood Harris, Delma Bains, Vernon Atwood, Marjorie Bryson, Claudie Lee Looney, Otis Gleghorn, Tommy Black, Roberta Slough, Veranita Poindexter, Pete Broom.

Teachers and other guests were: C. B. Allison, Misses Elva Minnix, Elizabeth Fletcher, Ona Parker, Elyn Clark, H. C. McKenzie, senior class sponsor; Miss Helen Nobel junior class sponsor; Orlan Bains, Abilene, L. D. Chrane, Abilene; Ben Nordyke, Winters; Miss Kathelene Nordyke; Winters; Mrs. Ben Nordyke, Winters; Migel Bains, Claud Morse, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Peck, Blackwell; Mrs. W. C. McKenzie, Abilene; Littleton York, Abilene; Miss Josephine Preston, E. C. Windham, Dudley; Troy Chrane, Dudley; Harvel Bains.

The "Gypsies" of Oplin have met no defeats up to date.

"We play fair fight square; work to the end, and never give in"—motto.

We have games for Elmdale this week and Union next week.

WITH BAIRD BAPTISTS

The last few days have been mighty good days for me. My good friend Will H. Duff came Saturday night and left Wednesday morning. He spoke ten times while here, once at Dudley, Clyde, Denton, and Cross Plains, twice at Putnam, and three times in Bairst, and I am sure that everyone who heard him enjoyed it and was made better by it. He knows the people of India and their needs and he can tell you about it so that you will feel that you know them to.

Our workers meeting yesterday at Cross Plains were splendid. A good attendance and I thought every talk up to the standard. The good people of the church with the fine new pastor, Brother C. A. Voyles, did credit to themselves with the entertainment. No one can rightly say that Cross Plains Baptist are not big in the way they do things. They are a gloriously, loyal group. We like to meet with them for we always have a nice time.

Our next meeting will be at Bairst on Tuesday after the first Sunday in January, 1934. We shall look forward to that date with joy and pray for the Lord's blessings on us.

I am very anxious that all our people are in the service next Sunday, both morning and evening. My morn-

ing sermon shall be on "The Challenge of the Cross." Sunday night I purpose to give a review of a book, "Robert Hardy's Seven Last Days." I invite everybody to come with us in these services. Mighty fine were the young peoples meeting last Sunday and we trust it will so continue.

I will preach at Midway next Sunday afternoon. Let all out that way be on hand. Thanks.

JOE R. MAYES.

DIVIDEND NOTICE

A dividend of \$3.50 per share of The Bairst Chick Hatchery has been made payable December 15th to stockholders of record December 12th. Any one holding stock which has not been transferred please hand to the undersigned or leave with The First National Bank.

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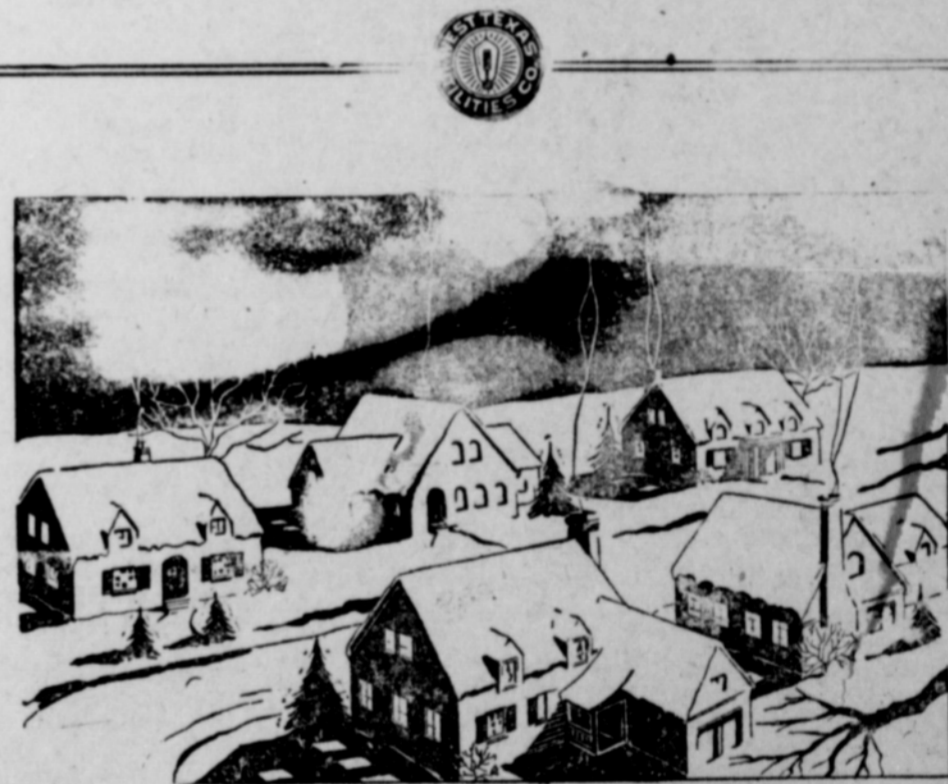
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Hospital News

Dave Poindexter of Lawn who was operated on for appendicitis Friday of last week is doing nicely.

H. C. McGowan, who had quite a severe nose hemorrhage last Friday is a patient. He is improving, but will be confined to his bed for several days, probably.

Mrs. Bob Darby, who had major surgery Sunday is reported doing well.

Mrs. A. J. Jones of Clyde, who had major surgery Monday is reported to be in a serious condition.

Mrs. Owen Connell of Clyde, was a tonsilectomy patient Sunday.

L. A. Phillips of Rowden, was a tonsilectomy patient Friday.

A. L. Pepper of DeLeon was a patient Thursday for the adjustment of a fractured rib.

J. T. Cunningham was a minor surgical patient Friday.

Derwin, one-year-old son of J. T. McCarty, was a minor surgical patient Saturday.

H. Schwartz was a patient Monday.

Miss Myrtle Jones, daughter of O. C. Jones of Denton, who was a surgical patient three days the past week, is reported doing well, by Dr. Griggs, who was out to see her Tuesday.

Al Young of Clyde, was a business visitor in Baird Monday.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS

I have a nice line of Hooked Rugs, Embroidered Towels, Scarfs, Dresser Sets, etc., which make such nice gifts for Christmas. Priced very reasonable 1-1/2.

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All lands owned and leased by me is posted. No hunting, trapping, camping or trespassing in anyway is allowed.

51tf C. B. SNYDER

PERSONALS

J. T. Edwards of Eula, visited his son Sheriff Edwards Tuesday.

Mrs. Ada Uzzell returned Monday from a visit with friends in Slaton.

Mrs. W. J. Gardner of Eula, attended the annual District Assembly at Cisco over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Duke McIntosh spent Sunday with Mr. McIntosh's parents at Denton.

Mrs. J. S. Bates and daughter, Miss Nancy Lee of Fort Worth, spent Sunday with Mrs. Bates' father, W. M. Coffman.

C. S. Boyles of Sweetwater, was in Baird Wednesday visiting with old friends, and incidently, having some dental work done.

Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Foy of Wichita Falls, spent Thanksgiving with Dudley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Foy.

Rev. and Mrs. J. T. Griswold left Monday for Houston where they will spend a week or ten days with their son, Dr. Griswold and family.

Tom Windham, sons and daughter, Tommie and Sam and Mrs. John Jordon of Oplin, were in Baird Wednesday.

Mrs. Sam Stinson of Big Spring, Mrs. Eva Whalen of Wink, spent Thanksgiving with their parents Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Mullican.

Mrs. Linwood Hayes of Breckenridge spent the past weekend in Baird. She was accompanied home by her mother, Mrs. J. E. Gilliland, who will spend several weeks with her.

Miss Donna Carter, Mrs. Annie Harriett Ann, of Big Spring, spent the weekend with Miss Donna's grand mother, Mrs. Henry Lambert and family.

H. C. "Boy" McGowan, who has been quite sick the past week is reported improving which his many friends throughout the county will be glad to hear.

Mrs. Henry Lambert, accompanied by her granddaughter, Miss Donna Carter of Big Spring spent Friday with her sister, Mrs. Nannie Mitchell in Stephenville.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Orr and little son, Glenn, Miss Vera Grogan Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Hoover of Dallas, spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Lee Estes and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lambert and daughter, Doris, Jean of Houston, Luther Lambert of Eastland and George Glascock of Benbrook, visited Mrs. Henry Lambert and family Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Sanders of Riverside, Calif., are visiting Mr. Sanders' parents Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Sanders and family. Mr. Sanders is a member of the 9th Bombing Squadron, in the United States Army.

Mrs. C. S. Gee and children, Lula Nell and Louis, of Quannah and Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Keilty and daughters Patsy and Colleen, of Fort Worth, spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Russell, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Parks and little daughters, Patty Lee and Wanda Jo, of Best, spent Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Backman and family of Clyde. They were enroute to Woodson and were accompanied by Misses Adelle and Iva Nell Backman.

Mrs. Annie Stallings of Fort Worth is visiting her brother, Mike Sigal and wife, Mrs. Sigal, who has been confined to her bed for some weeks with a broken hip is improving. The cast has been removed and a weight put on the foot.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Condon, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Thorp of Throckmorton and Mrs. Henry Hadderton of Roby, spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Brown. Mrs. Thorp will be remembered as Miss Sammie Condon, who formerly taught in the Baird public school.

Mrs. Mary S. Lawrence and Mrs. C. D. Hill of Dallas, spent the Thanksgiving holidays with their son and daughter and brother (and sister, Mr. J. T. Lawrence and Mrs. S. P. Rumph and their families. Dr. and Mrs. S. P. Rumph had as their guests, also, their children, Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt S. Slaton and little son, James Hoyt; and Miss Polly Rumph all of Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Harris of Panhandle, and A. A. Callahan of

McCLean spent the weekend with Mr. Harris' father, R. J. Harris at Admiral. Uncle Bob and daughter, Miss Jennie, postponed their Thanksgiving dinner until Sunday, awaiting the arrival of Mr. and Mrs. Harris and Mr. Callahan. More than thirty relatives and friends were present at the Thanksgiving dinner Sunday. Mr. Callahan left Monday for Atwell where he will visit relatives and Mr. and Mrs. Harris went to Waco to attend the Masonic Grand Lodge and were to go from there to San Antonio to attend the State Tax Assessors Convention, and all are to return to the Harris home the last of the week.

Red Cross Roll Call

BAIRD DISTRICT: Frank Harp, J. G. Sullivan, W. T. Reed, Otis Bowyer, Oscar Black, Mrs. J. B. Cutbirth, Mrs. Verda James, B. F. Russell, C. M. Mills, W. D. Boydston, Josie Hamlett, J. T. Lawrence, Miss Jean Powell, C. B. Snyder, Jr. Mrs. Otis Bowyer, Mrs. S. E. Settle.

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Atwell News

Rev. Roy O'Brien off Scranton, filled his appointment at the Baptist Church Sunday morning and night. We are having spring like weather, but rather see some cooler weather, so we can butcher our hogs.

A party was given in the John

CONTRACTORS' NOTICE OF TEXAS HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Sealed proposals for constructing 7.825 miles of Grading and Drainage Structures from Baird-South 7.825 miles on Highway No. 191, covered by NRS 763-A in Callahan County, will be received at the State Highway Department, Austin, Texas, until 9 A. M. December 18, 1933, and then publicly opened and read. The attention of bidders is directed to the Standard Special Provisions, approved September 27th 1933, covering subletting or assigning the contract, the use of Domestic Materials, the selection of labor, hours and conditions of employment, and hand labor methods.

Except as otherwise specified, the minimum wage paid to all skilled labor employed on this contract shall be forty five (45) cents per hour. The minimum wage paid to all unskilled labor employed on this contract shall be thirty five (35) cents per hour.

Attention is directed to the Special Provisions included in the proposal, to insure compliance with the requirements of House Bill No. 54 of the 43rd Legislature of the State of Texas.

Title	Prevailing Minimum Wage (Based on Five (5) Hour Working Day)	Per Diem	Prevailing Minimum Hourly Wage
Carpenters & Structural			
Iron Workers	3.75		.75
Painters	3.50		.70
Power Machine Operators	2.25		.45
Truck Drivers (Trucks over 1 1/2 Tons)	2.25		.45
Mechanics & Blacksmiths	2.25		.45
Unskilled Laborers	1.75		.35

The above prevailing minimum wage rates shall govern on this contract. Overtime and legal holiday work shall be paid for at the regular governing rates.

A local employment agency from which the Contractor shall obtain employment lists will be designated prior to the award of contract. Plans and specifications available at the office of W. A. French, Division Engineer, Abilene, Texas, and the State Highway Department, Austin. Usual rights reserved.

Purvis home Saturday for the young people.

Mr. and Mrs. Willburn Howland of Ranger, visited with relatives Thanksgiving.

Virgil Griffith of Fort Worth visited in the S. A. Black home Thanksgiving.

Mrs. T. A. Coppinger and Arthur Jones and wife of Cottonwood, attended church here Sunday and visited their brother, J. M. Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Land of Porterville Calif., attended church at this place Sunday, and are visiting Mrs. Land's brother, J. M. Jones, and relatives at Cottonwood. Mr. and Mrs. Land resided in this community some twenty years ago.

Several from this community attended the Callahan County Workers Conference at Cross Plains Sunday. John and Louis Purvis returned home last Wednesday from Gains county, where they have been picking cotton this fall.

Misses Fay Hattox and Ima Gene Grace spent the weekend with their parents at DeLeon and Moran.

Prof M. M. McClintock and family visited with relatives at Wilson and Purducah from Thanksgiving till Sunday afternoon.

D. C. Foster and family visited his sister, Mrs. Jess Kobb at Echo, Saturday night and Sunday.

G. T. Brashear and son, Paul, Miss Linnie Brashear and Mr. and Mrs. Arville Reese and baby visited with relatives at Slaton from Thursday till Sunday.

Mrs. Myrtle Lavender and little daughter, left last Thursday to visit her parents for several days at Slaton.

F. E. Mitchell of Baird was transacting business here the past week. Sherman Pillians and family returned home Saturday night from Lubbock where they have been picking cotton for the past two months.

Guy Jones returned home from Knox county last week where he has been at work.

Irvin Purvis of the forest camp near Stephenville visited home folks Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Rouse are visiting with Mrs. Rouse's parents at Baird at this writing.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere appreciation for the innumerable acts of kindness and sympathy expressed and shown us in the illness and death of our beloved wife and mother. Our appreciation of all these kindnesses shown us in our bereavement is so great that only in the language of our hearts can we convey our feeling of gratitude. We wish to especially thank the members of the Methodist Missionary Society, Wednesday Club, Monday night Club and Delphian Chapter for their thoughtful kindness to us at this time.

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SHORTENING 8 Lb. Carton	57c	HOMINY Best Grade, Large 2 1-2 Can	10c
ROAST BEEF Pound	8c	FIGS White Pressed Package	10c
STEAK Round Choice Loin or Baby T-Bone Beef Lb.	17c	SUGAR Pure Cane, Cloth Bag 10 Pounds	49c
		SAUSAGE Pound	10c
		GROUND MEAT 10c Cured, Lb.	18c

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A WORD OF THANKS

Dear Editor of the Star:
We wish to thank each and every one, for the many kindnesses shown our dear mother, Mrs. J. O. Williams, during her illness and operation at the Griggs hospital, and especially the Doctors and nurses. May God richly bless you all in our prayer.
Submitted by her daughter,
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**Farm, Poultry and
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By Ross B. Jenkins, Co. Agent

KILLING HOGS

At last the weather has cooled to where the slaughter of hogs can be safely done. A thrifty, well finished hog of 200 to 225 pounds that is 5 to 6 months old is the ideal kind to kill. Weather best for curing: The most ideal weather is that which we are just having. Temperature of 32 to 38 with cool, dry clear day with a light frost at night is the most desirable. Killing: For best results the hog should be stuck and allowed to bleed to death. This is the most humane way and insures a good bleeding. Most hams that sour are caused by improper bleeding.

The water for scalding should be 150 degrees F. for just freezing weather and 155 to 160 degrees F. for colder weather. At this temperature it takes 3 to 5 minutes to get a good scald. Always clean the blood from the head by washing with cold water before scalding. Put the head in first if a barrel is used and when the hair slips well change ends. Always add a little lye or ashes to make for easier scraping. The best method is to use a bell scraper for cleaning. Knives are too hard to keep sharp and are not as good any way.

After killing and scraping, wash down with hot water, after the hog is hung up, scraping downward toward the head. Then shave or singe the hairs left. After this is done dress and wash down with cold water. This time crape up so as to squeeze the water from the skin. Then after dressing the head should be removed and the carcass should be sawed down the back bone the same as a beef. Let the carcass hang and cool all night then take down and cut up the following way:

1. Remove the shoulder between the 4th and 5th rib.
2. Bone out neck bones from the shoulder.
3. Bone out the ribs from the shoulders.
4. Divide shoulder into picnic and butt by cutting across shoulder at the point where neck bones were taken out.
5. Remove ham half way between the rise in the backbone and the pelvic bone and at right angle to the shank. If properly done the ham will stand up when set on a flat surface with the foot horizontal to the surface.

Divide the side into back and belly.
7. Remove ribs from belly and trim remainder for bacon.
8. Divide back into loin and fat back.
Try to leave at least one half inch of fat over all lean pieces for curing. This will prevent the meat from drying out. It is very hard to cure hams that weigh over twenty pounds. Skin the large hams and if very large cut in two and cure as two pieces of meat. Cut the ham shanks very short to permit the easy absorption of the curing ingredients.

The formula we use is:
8 pounds of salt.
3 pounds of sugar.
3 ounces off saltpeter (potassium nitrate).
Rub slightly half of this mixture on 100 pounds and let it stay packed down for seven days then take it up and rub in the remainder. Let bacon and Canadian bacon cure one and one half days per pound per piece. Let hams cure three days per pound per piece. Shoulders the same. Let shoulder butts cure two days per pound.
This method is the maximum days needed for both dry and brine cures. Less may be used but this number of days is safe. When the meat is cured it should be removed from the curing vessel and washed clean of all salt. Soak three hours in cold water, then wash off and dry thoroughly. Soak bacon and butts one hour. When dry begin smoking with pecan or hard wood such as oak. Corn cobs are good. Wood should be green. It takes 30 hours of good smoking to get the job done. This is an excerpt from bulletin C-60 which may be obtained from my office.

Cottonwood Locals

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Brock and family of Eula visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Brock Thanksgiving day.
Stanley Coppinger spent the week end with home folks.
Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Butler and baby of Brownwood visited their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Borden Thursday.
Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Buatt of Cross Plains were the dinner guests off Mrs. Missouri Ramsey Thanksgiving.
Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Mitchell and family of Baird visited relatives last week.
Mr. and Mrs. Oral Coffey and Mr. and Mrs. Will Akers went to Abilene Thursday.
Misses Juanelle Sparks, Edith Coppinger and Pauline Orr of Brown-

wood spent last weekend with home-folks.

Geraldine Hill of Cross Plains visited her aunt Mrs. C. V. Ramsey Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Coffey and baby, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Freeland attended the football game at Albany Saturday.

Miss Donoway attended the teachers convention at Austin Thursday.

Mrs. L. B. Windham and daughter Muriel, and son John of Lawn, visited Mrs. J. H. Johnson and daughters Thanksgiving day.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Land and son of Porterville, Calif., are visiting her sister, Mrs. T. A. Coppinger and other relatives.

Mrs. Stella Griffin and children, Mr. and Mrs. Buck Hodges and children and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hartley and baby of Snyder visited Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Borden the first of this week.

Rev. and Mrs. Van Pelt were honored with a miscellaneous shower at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Coppinger last Friday night. Had some contests and singing. They received many gifts. Refreshments of cake and chocolate was served.

Miss Claudia Johnson and Mr. Paul Jones were quietly married Sunday, Rev. Ross Respass officiating. Miss Claudia is the daughter of Mrs. J. H. Johnson. She will be missed in church work and social affairs. Mr. Jones is a stock-farmer near Goldwaite where they will make their home. Her many friends wish them happiness.

Want Ads

ASTROLOGY READINGS—Strictly confidential. American Hotel, Room 10. Come and see me. Madame Hart. 1-1tp

WANTED—All kinds of sewing, including men's shirts and jackets. Mrs. Bryan B. Ford, one block north of Baptist church. tf.

LOST—Man's brown jacket and white hat, with name of Longview firm inside. Lost Saturday night at Skating Rink. Reward for return. Leave with

Percy King, Mgr. 1-1tp.

WORK WANTED—I want work, will sew, do housework, wash, iron or care for children. Mrs. Laura Evans, one block north of Magnolia Service Station, Baird. 1-3t

FOUND—Purse on highway. Owner can get same by identifying purse and contents. R. K. Sanders Baird 1-1tp.

FOUND—Boy's duck coat, sheep skin lining and collar. Owner can get same by calling at Star office and paying 25c for this ad.

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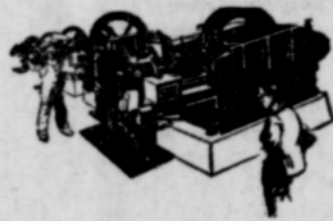
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GAS does seem an impersonal thing when it turns on at a wall cock... just concentrated heat in a pipe... so easy and so silent one might think it came up under its own power, out of one's own backyard.

But there are hundreds of people working to supply the very heat that will warm your house this evening. Many reported on their jobs before sun-up. Some are on guard all night.

Since approximately one-half of all gas required in the home for the entire year is used during the three winter months of December, January and February, you can see why men have to get up before day during this season. Scores of these men are at the wells, at compressor stations, and walk-

ing the pipe lines, guarding your gas service every step of the way to keep it dependable.

So your heat is not an impersonal thing. It is an hour-by-hour service, watched over constantly. Through this care and attention it stays so inexpensive that 15 cents' worth a day is the year around average household requirement for heating, cooking, refrigeration, and hot water supply.



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