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The Baird Star

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

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.

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As the year 1946 makes its entry into the world of man, we find ourselves at peace—that is, almost at peace except for what seems like minor—but threatening—eruptions from the volcano of war which for a time it seemed as though the sun would be blackened out and the earth covered with fire and death. American servicemen are returning to their homes, and before much of the new year has passed, most of these men who will return from the battlefields, will once more be following their civilian pursuits.

This year, 1946, bears the appearance of being the happiest year in many for Callahan county people, but happiness and peace, can be very temporary and vanish in a hurry. Today we are facing the greatest challenge in our history—the challenge to prepare for the future so that we may meet without fear any and all problems that come before us.

We have our part to play in national and world affairs, as well as affairs of our own county and state. Each citizen of Callahan county will be privileged to participate in the elections of 1946, at which time we will be taking upon our shoulders a tremendous responsibility necessary to the efficient operations of our political and economic machinery.

If we survive and prosper, we must keep abreast of the times, otherwise, we will fall away and be trodden under the feet of those who are going forward. Callahan county will see fast development in travel highways and farm-to-market roads, oil and gas resources and other industrial resources. Some of us might not welcome the changes that are slated on the 1946 calendar, but we must either conform to the new forms and plans, or step aside and watch the parade go by.

These predictions have foundation. The majority will want to get into the swim and make the most of the changing times in the new year. We predict that Callahan county will come through with flying colors, and at the end of 1946 look back on achievements with justified pride. The Baird Star extends best wishes to you in the belief that 1946 will mean peace and happiness that will grow stronger and finally, permanent.

V-Bond Quota Goes Over the Top

Callahan county went over the top on both its E bond and overall victory loan quotas. B. H. Freeland, Baird, county war finance committee chairman, reported.

Freeland said canvassing by a committee of workers Friday put Calahan \$200 or \$300 over its E quota of \$115,000. The committee met Friday night to check results. Among members were Ace Hickman, D. J. Anderson, Colonel Dyer, Hugh Ross, Harold Ray, C. B. Snyder, Jr., and Howard Farmer.

Freeland said Callahan overall sales were approximately \$380,000, on a quota of \$205,000.

Twenty of the 29 counties in the Abilene sub-region are over the top. Still lacking are Runnels, Taylor, Nolan, Scurry, Andrews, Borden, Crane Crockett and Martin.

CLYDE FIREMEN HOLD ANNUAL BANQUET

The Clyde fire department held its annual banquet Thursday, December 20, at 7:00 p. m. at the fire hall in Clyde. Jim Houston, Clyde cafe operator, prepared the banquet—turkey, dressing and all the trimmings—that was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone present. He was assisted by his son, Ed Houston, a member of the department.

Slick Hollis and Preston Poole acted as co-toastmasters and their wit and humor kept the party in an uproar of laughter. A musical program was furnished by Buck Tucker and his son with their fiddle and guitar.

Of the 27 members on the fire department roll, twenty-one were present. This is an annual affair and one that every member of the fire department looks forward to each Christmas.

Members present were Homer E. Swafford, F. A. Bouchette, John T. Bailey, Lynn Ault, Preston Poole, Clint Brannon, Ted Calloway, Suggs Callahan, Wallace Caperton, Ed Freeman, Ed Houston, D. D. Tedford, Slick Hollis, Bill Caperton, Bobby Norwood, Roy Young, Frank Kozcak, E. C. Appleton, Roy McIntosh and Dong Hart. Visitors were Jim Houston and Buck Tucker and son.

LEGION PARTICIPATED IN "GIFTS FOR THE YANKS"

The Local Post of the American Legion participated in the "Gifts for the Yanks" program, a National-wide program to provide gifts for every hospitalized service man or woman. The following contributed money to buy the gifts:

Merle Neel, Earl Johnson, C. A. Newbauer, Anne Hill, J. V. Smith, Roy D. Williams, W. B. Jones, Jack Mitchell, R. F. Mayfield, J. W. Loper, Mr. and Mrs. Terrell Williams, Billie Henry, W. A. Pool, Tom West, Glen Boyd, Burma Warren, Gene Swinow, Buddy Hart, J. L. Farmer, C. L. Hord, Jack Ashlock, F. E. Mitchell, Dr. V. E. Hill, L. W. Linecum, Mr. and Mrs. Farris Bennett, Aubrey Loper, Temple Brashner, Corinne Barringer, Mr. and Mrs. Henry McDonald, Miss Myrtle Boydston, Mrs. S. C. McElroy, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Edwards, Lee Loper, and Chas Ramsey.

Mr. and Mrs. Blain Odum, R. C. Wriston, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Anderson, Reba Anderson, Dorothy Estes, Mrs. Jack Sims, Mrs. Robert Estes, Eliska Gilliland, Miss John Gilliland, Miss Eliza Gilliland, Mrs. Arthur Johnson, Goley Johnson, City Pharmacy, Mr. and Mrs. Larmer Henry, Loraine Henry, Russell Warren, C. S. McKellen, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Driscoll, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. McElroy, Little Onion Cafe, B. H. Freeland.

Sixty cartons of cigarettes were purchased, and members of the Auxiliary wrapped each carton in Christmas paper. Mrs. D. J. Anderson, Mrs. Arthur Johnson, Mrs. Terrell Williams, Mrs. Curry, Miss Goley Johnson, and Miss Reba Anderson wrapped them. They were to be sent to either McCloskey or to William Beaumont General Hospital.

WILLIAM FAIRCLOTH MEMORIAL OPERATOR

MANILA—Private William D. Faircloth, the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Faircloth of Baird, Texas, is serving in the Navy.

Pvt. Faircloth arrived in Manila September 27, 1945 and is assigned to the 8th Special Service Company as a memograph operator. His army carrier started in January 1944 at Ft. Sam Houston, Houston, Texas. He received his Infantry basic training at Camp Roberts, and the advanced at Camp Rucker, Alabama. He was a senior of Baird High School when he entered the service. Pvt. Faircloth is authorized to wear the Asiatic-Pacific Theater Ribbon.

Boydston Reports Big Turkey Crop

Will D. Boydston, well known turkey buyer of Baird, reports a fine crop of turkeys in Callahan county this season. Mr. Boydston shipped eighteen truck loads of the big birds to a packing plant at Comanche totaling 75,000 pounds for the season. He also filled 53 orders for turkeys here in Baird. The turkey crop is gradually improving throughout this county each year. A few growers are going into the turkey-raising business on a big scale, and next years crop should be even larger than it is now. Callahan county being an ideal home for turkeys, it is going to do a great deal toward pushing Texas turkey production higher than California's crop to be the No. 1 turkey raising state in the union.

CAPT. JACKSON HOME WITH DISCHARGE

Capt. Randall C. Jackson, youngest son of Mrs. Rupert Jackson, returned home from Fort Bliss Separation center this week. Randall was a Senior Law Student in the University of Texas when he reported to Camp Walters, Texas for induction in January 1942. He received his basic training at Sheppard Field, Texas and was sent to Clerical School at Fort Logan, Colorado. Upon graduation he was assigned to an Air Depot Group at Springfield, Ill and later to an Air Base Headquarters at Battle Creek, Michigan. Captain Jackson's duties were with Rail Transportation, Post Exchange and Orderly Room work.

He attended Army Air Forces OCS at Miami Florida in April of 1943 and was commissioned at a Statistical Control Officer in the Army Air Force at Harvard Business. Randall was Base University Graduate School of Statistical Control Officer at Greenville. Majors Army Air Field (Basic) under the Central Flying training Command until his departure for an overseas assignment. Overseas for a year he was assigned to The Army Air Forces Pacific Ocean Areas Statistical Control Unit as a Liaison Officer until Strategic Air Forces assumed command of the VLR Aircraft program. In such capacity he traveled through the Hawaiian Islands, Marshalls, Pelileu Islands. Iwo Jima and was headquartered on Guam at Harmon Field. Under the new command he remained in the same location but was assigned to Headquarters, Strategic Air Forces and made Executive Officer of the Supply Detachment of the Air Forces Statistical Control Unit. As an additional duty he served as Assistant Trial Judge Advocate for the Harmon Field Court.

Captain Jackson wears the American Theater Ribbon, the Asiatic Pacific Ribbon with 4 campaign stars representing the occupation of Guam and Iwo Jima the Eastern Mandate Campaign and the Aerial Offensive against Japan. He also wears the Good Conduct ribbon and the Meritorious Service Unit insignia.

Randall holds a Bachelor of Business Administration degree from the University of Texas and plans to resume his law school studies there in March. He was Resident Manager of Prather Hall prior to his entry in the service. His only brother, J. Rupert Jackson, Jr., is now at his home in Baird on terminal leave.

CHRISTMAS PARTY GARDEN CLUB

The Old Fashioned Garden Club held their annual Christmas party Tuesday, December 11, at the home of Mrs. E. L. Woodley with Mrs. E. C. Fulton as co-hostess. The house was beautifully decorated with Christmas symbols. A tree with Christmas lights from which gifts were presented each member and guest.

The following program was presented: Roll Call, Christmas Corgage; Christmas Story, Mrs. Hubert Ross; Christmas Carols led by Mrs. Reese accompanied by Mrs. J. H. Shradler at the piano; and Wrapping Christmas Packages, Mrs. Felix Mitchell.

Refreshments of fruit cake, whipped cream, coffee, and nuts were served. Plate favors were branches of cedar tied with red ribbons.

The club will meet January 8 with Miss Eliza Gilliland. The meeting was postponed one week as the first Tuesday comes on January 1, New Years day.

COURTHOUSE EMPLOYEES ENJOY CHRISTMAS TREE

Employees and friends of the Courthouse gathered around a beautifully decorated Christmas tree in the lobby of the Courthouse Friday afternoon at four to wish each other a happy Yuletide season. Gifts were exchanged and candy and apples were served.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Miller of Eula announce a daughter born in an Abilene hospital December 7. Her name is Jane Ann.



ROBERT L. CLINTON HOME AFTER 34 MONTHS

First Lt. Robert L. Clinton, Jr., after thirty-four months of service, is at home in Putnam on terminal leave. He was released from active duty at the Army Air Force separation center November 28. He was a fighter pilot during his period of service. He received his commission June 27, 1944 at Foster Field, Texas.

At the time of his release from active duty, appreciation for his services were expressed in a message from Brig. Gen. Y. H. Taylor, commanding general of Drew Field, stating "The Army Air Forces deeply appreciate your service. You have helped to make it possible for the aerial combat arm to contribute immeasurably to victory."

He was overseas from March, 1945 to September 1945, in the European Theater of operation with the 507th Fgt. Sqdn, 404 Ftr. Group. Prior to his entering the service he was a student in college. His wife, the former Miss Wanda M. Lowry lives in Putnam, Texas.

OPLIN BROTHERS GIVEN DISCHARGES

Second of the three soldier sons of Mr. and Mrs. Jess Poindexter, Oplin, to be discharged, returned to his home last week. The first son to be separated from the army was Pfc. Dave Poindexter who reached Oplin on December 6.

J. R. Poindexter had been stationed in Germany for the past several months, having gone overseas with the signal corps on January 1, 1942. He took part in the Normandy invasion, sustained wounds in December 1944, and was returned to England for two months' hospitalization. J. R. entered the service Nov. 8, 1942.

Dave Poindexter had been in the army since February 7, 1942, and has served most of his time at Hunter Field, Ga. He served as a military policeman for two years and was later stationed at Kenarney, Neb.

The third son of the Oplin couple is Sgt Eugene Poindexter who is now at Baifu Japan. In a recent letter to his parents, he said he was "doing fine, but having trouble trying to understand the Japs." He went overseas on Feb. 6 of this year and has been stationed recently with the 32nd Infantry on Luzon.

MISS NELLIE BAINS BRIDE OF I. J. LEWIS

Miss Nellie May Bains, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Bains of Eastland, and I. J. Lewis, son of Mrs. E. M. Lewis of Danville, Ill., were married Friday, December 14, at Onley, with Rev. James W. Starburt, minister of the First Methodist Church of Onley, reading the single ring ceremony.

Mrs. Weldon Brannon was Maid of Honor and Weldon Brannon was Best man.

The bride was dressed in black with fushia accessories, and a corsage of red roses. The maid of honor wore black with a white carnation corsage.

Mrs. Lewis is a 1939 graduate of Baird High School and was employed at Archer City prior to her wedding.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Danville, Ill. High School, and was a pre-med student at the Chicago University before entering the Seabees. He served two and one-half years overseas and received his discharge November 10 at Great Lakes.

Mrs. T. B. Smith's Funeral at Eula

Funeral service for Mrs. T. B. Smith who died at Lubbock Wednesday night, was conducted at Eula Methodist church at 2 p. m. Friday, December 21, with burial in the Eula cemetery.

Earlier rites were held in the First Methodist church of Lubbock Thursday afternoon, December 20.

Mrs. Smith died as a result of a cerebral hemorrhage suffered Tuesday night. Born in Milan county on Oct. 1, 1889, Mrs. Smith came to Abilene shortly after her marriage in 1906. Here Mrs. Smith was connected with the Wooten Grocery company and the couple moved to Lubbock in 1932.

Survivors are her husband, one daughter, Mrs. Ewell Limer, and two grandchildren, Kate and Pat Limer, all of Lubbock; four brothers, G. C. Osborne of Abilene; C. B. Osborne of Lamesa; and Charles, and Bryan Osborne of Whitaker, Calif., and several nieces and nephews in Abilene.

Mrs. Smith was the sister-in-law of Mrs. J. M. Reynolds of Baird. Pallbearers were her nephews, Graydon Osborn, G. C. Osborne, Abilene; Roger Smith, Eula; Harold Womack, Colorado City; J. P. Reynolds, Sterling Reynolds, Baird.

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR MRS. MARY FORD FRIDAY

Funeral services for Mrs. Mary Catherine Ford, 72, were conducted Friday afternoon, December 21, at the Methodist church at Dudley by Rev. Hamilton Wright of Abilene. Burial was in the Dudley cemetery.

Mrs. Ford, a resident of this area for more than thirty years, died at Olden Wednesday evening. Mrs. Ford, who was born Mary Catherine Bittick, in Williamson county, Texas, April 6, 1873, was married to John William Ford in 1892. They moved to Callahan county in 1913 and lived there until Mr. Ford's death here about six years ago. Since then she had lived near Ranger.

She united with the Methodist church at the age of 18. Surviving her are five sons and four daughters. Sons are Forrest Ford of Ranger; L. D. of California; B. B. and J. D. Ford of Clyde; Daughters are Mrs. I. D. Madison, Stanton; Mrs. Sam Hawkins, Freeport, Texas; Mrs. Oia Harper, Putnam; and Mrs. Mary Doans, Monahans.

Also surviving are 23 grand children and 10 great grandchildren. Mrs. Fetterly was appointed chairman of the National clothing drive for January. Mrs. Hickman and Mrs. Blackburn had served on the buying committee for the Goodfellows and Mrs. White and Miss Grimes on the wrapping and packing committee this week.

Next meeting is with Mrs. Myrtle Edwards. Several members volunteered to bake cakes to be served at the U. S. O. to boys enroute.

THIS WEEK'S HONOR ROLL

We acknowledge with thanks the following new and renewal subscriptions to The Baird Star: Baird: Gilbert Hinds, W. L. Cook, Mrs. R. C. Vaughn, E. B. Mullican, J. P. Izard, Mrs. S. A. Watts, Lloyd R. Hughes, W. E. Haley, George Morgan, Fred A. Ellis, Star Route 1, Claude Flores, Dee Young, Mrs. Kate Crawford, Mrs. C. O. Morgan, Otto Schaffrina, Route 1, T. W. Eastham, Star Route 1, D. L. Carmen, Miss Susie Walker, Mrs. John McKee, Mrs. H. A. McWhorter, Dick Young, S. C. Walker, R. L. Alexander, Oscar Stiffler, C. B. ter, Star Route 2, A. L. Vaughn, Snyder, Jr., Homer Driskill, J. W. Hays, J. L. Farmer, J. D. Cautchen, Star Route 1, Medford Walker.

Clyde: Mrs. Ross Farmer, Rt. 1, Leola Peavy, Route 2, J. M. Whitley, Route 2, A. L. McIntosh, Route 2, I. N. Walls, Route 2, Mrs. H. A. Versyp, Route 2, W. E. Kirkendall, Route 2. Mrs. R. E. Myers, Franklin Grove, Ill.; Johnny C. Farmer, San Francisco, California; Homer Barton, Route 1, Ovalo; O. C. Landers, Breckenridge; Mrs. M. M. Terry, Fort Worth; Miss Josie Hamlet, Fort Worth; Mrs. W. D. Shisenhall, Long Beach, Calif; W. M. Isenhower, Cisco; S. S. Harville, Route 1, Ovalo; Sam Black, Fort Worth; Z. E. Eikes, San Angelo; Mrs. Gladys Dahms, Pine Bluff, Ark.; W. H. Green, Fort Worth; W. W. Blanton, Albany; Mrs. D. L. Blair, Los Angeles, California; Mrs. C. B. Snyder, Moran; Willis B. Baulch, Las Vegas, N. M.; N. A. Estes, Route 5, Abilene; W. L. Atwood, Oplin; and R. B. Taylor, Cisco.

CLYDE GIRLS' AUXILIARY IS ENTERTAINED

The Girl's Auxiliary of the Baptist church in Clyde was entertained recently in the home of Mrs. Sewell Landers, counselor.

Games were played and refreshments served to Loveda McGough, Harlene McGough, Lorena Kuykendall, Doris Bell Pringle, Johanna Christian, Raynell Rudd, Billie Ruth Stewart, Barbara Ruth Richards, Nellie Fay Gabbert, Barbara Jean Rose, Mary Driggers, Delores Pringle, Patsy Joe La Foy, Mrs. Edith King and son, Ronnie, and Mrs. Burlie Hallmann, counselor-helper.

S. S. Billy D. Havens, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Havens, has landed in the Philippines. He is on duty at the Fleet post office.

Pavement To Link Albany-Coleman

All-surface highway between Albany and Coleman will be provided in projects for which contracts will be let by the state highway department in January. District Engineer S. J. Treadaway, announced.

Project will provide for paving two strips on U. S. 183 in Callahan and Shackelford counties, a total of 32.8 miles. This includes all the distance from Albany to Baird, and an eight-mile stretch north from the Coleman county line to the point where 183 is now surfaced.

HIGHWAY 80 TO UNDERGO MUCH IMPROVEMENT

The State Highway Commission has approved improvement of U. S. Highway 80 during the second year post-war program for the building of 32.1 miles from the Taylor County line to the Eastland County line at a cost of \$1,625,000. In a letter from Highway Commissioner Reuben Williams to E. L. Woodley, president of the Octane Oil Refining Company, he stated that he felt reasonably certain that if there had been no war this section of U. S. 80 would have been built and used by the public today. The statement from Mr. Williams came in answer to a letter Mr. Woodley wrote to the Highway Commission setting out the deplorable condition of U. S. 80 through Callahan county, pointing out the fact that all bridges between Baird and Cisco are one way bridges in so far as heavy traffic is concerned. Highway 80 carries a tremendous amount of transcontinental traffic as well as transport trucks and heavy vehicles.

WEDNESDAY CLUB

The Wednesday Club met December 19 in the home of Mrs. Lee Alexander with 18 members present, answering roll call with their favorite Bible Character.

The program consisted of the following: Paper Peace After Chaos, Mrs. R. H. Campbell; Christmas Customs in Many Lands, Mrs. Sam Gilliland; Christmas Poems, Mrs. Lee Ivey; and Christmas Carols led by Mrs. Ivey. Mrs. Klepper was elected Santa Claus to preside over the beautiful Christmas tree were every member received a useful and beautiful gift.

Delightful refreshments in winter motif were served. Mrs. Fetterly was appointed chairman of the National clothing drive for January. Mrs. Hickman and Mrs. Blackburn had served on the buying committee for the Goodfellows and Mrs. White and Miss Grimes on the wrapping and packing committee this week.

Next meeting is with Mrs. Myrtle Edwards. Several members volunteered to bake cakes to be served at the U. S. O. to boys enroute.

\$22,500 BUILDING FUND AT HARDIN SIMMONS

Delayed pledges reported since the Hardin-Simmons university campus building fund drive went over the \$21,000 goal last Wednesday have brought the total to around \$22,500. The success of the campaign was celebrated at a victory chapel at which time it was announced that the students were the first of the organized groups to reach the quota assigned in the Greater Hardin-Simmons million dollar development program.

"Definite figures on the final total of students and faculty contributions to the building fund are not available now because of the pre-holiday rush and will not be until after Christmas," said John Earl Seelig, chairman of the campus campaign. There are around 75 persons who have not been contacted and after the holidays we will conduct a clean-up drive to contact all who have not been seen. It goes without saying that we are all delighted with the success on the campus, and hope that ex-students and friends everywhere will be inspired by the loyalty thus demonstrated to help us live up to our campaign slogan, "Great-Today—Greater Tomorrow." Seelig said.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom West, Sr. went to Dothan, Ala. to meet their son, T-Sgt. Tom West, Jr., his wife, and baby. Sgt West received his discharge December 5 at Camp Blanding, Fla. Mrs. West made her home in Dothan with her parents while Sgt. West was in service.

We Invite—

TOM WEST, JR. And his guest to attend any picture advertised for the coming week at the Plaza Theatre in Baird.

We want you to be our guests.

The PLAZA THEATRE THE BAIRD STAR

DOYLE CHRISMAN RECEIVES DISCHARGE

Doyle E. Chrisman, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Chrisman, who resides at Baird, has been separated from the service after forty-three months of active duty.

As a member of the Armed Forces he served as Physical Training Officer.

Prior to his entry into the Army he was a coach and teacher.

U. S. O. SERVES 300 MEN THURSDAY

300 returning service men from the Pacific were served at the local U. S. O. Thursday, December 20. Delicious home-made served the service men during the cake, coffee and oranges are holiday season. One soldier in appreciation for this kindness, said, "This is just like the cake mother used to make."

MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED

The following marriage licenses were issued at the County Clerk's office this week: M. A. Wall and Mrs. Opal Caldwell; Ralph E. Fairley and Ellen G. Tankersley; Charles E. Ellis and Lodie Smith; Thomas C. Russell and Vada Poindexter.

Lt. Morris Cooke arrived from Turner Field, Ga. to spend Christmas with his wife and daughter, Mary Louise.

WILLIAM YOUNG DISCHARGED

William B. Young, veteran of thirty-three months in service, was discharged December 3 at San Antonio. In the Army Air Corps, he was stationed eleven months in England with the Air Transport Command. Young received his training at the Central Training Command at San Antonio, Corsicana, and Frederick, Okla.

William, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Young of Clyde, is a graduate of Eula high school and received his degree from North Texas State Teachers College at Denton.

WAR FUND CONTRIBUTIONS

Contributors to War Fund Drive, Denton: Roy Kendrick, \$10; Hubert Farmer, \$1; Denton Wood, \$2; J. E. Ogile, \$1; Jack Wood, \$1; Oran Connel, \$1; A. M. Cassel, \$5; J. H. Carpenter, \$5; Rich Johnston, \$1; M. C. Dryden, \$1; Herman Davis, \$1; Burl Lofton, \$1; Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Barton, \$15.00.

Ex-students organized set-up in around 50 towns, following a state-wide conference held in Abilene recently, are slated to complete contacts in the various communities this week and file reports to the Greater Hardin-Simmons headquarters office at the Windsor Hotel in Abilene.

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HAPPY
AND
PROSPEROUS
NEW YEAR!

VICTORY LOAN BONDS PROVE SOUND ECONOMY

By **TED R. GAMBLE**
National Director, War Finance
Division, U. S. Treasury

The Victory Loan, now under way, is the crucial test of our war finance program. We must not only raise the \$11 billion required by the Treasury but we must do it in such a manner as to avoid the danger of inflation and to make secure the Peace for which over a quarter of a million of our men have given their lives. That is why we are asking for \$4 billion from individuals, \$2 billion of it from the sale of Series E bonds.

Why is this money needed? Briefly, the reasons may be summarized as follows: to bring our veterans home and give them their mustering-out pay, to maintain our armies of occupation, to take care of our sick and wounded veterans, to make prompt settlement of our cancelled war contracts, and for other necessary governmental expenditures during the next few months.

The Budget Bureau recently estimated total Federal Expenditures for the 1946 fiscal year at \$66.4 billion, or \$33.7 billion below 1945. Receipts were estimated at \$36 billion, but these may be reduced somewhat by the new tax bill. This leaves a deficit of \$30.4 billion, which must be met by Treasury borrowing. It is in order to help meet this deficit that the Treasury decided on the Victory Loan, the last big public drive for funds.

As we enter this Victory Loan, I'd like to review briefly the accomplishments of our war financing program. From May 1, 1941, when the program started, to October 1, 1945, we raised the huge sum of \$207 billion. Furthermore, we raised this money through a plan of voluntary savings at the lowest interest cost of any nation engaged in the war, and at the lowest selling expense ever recorded.

In the first seven war loan drives, we set total quotas of \$95 billion for all investors, and sold \$135,749,000,000 in war loan bonds. Every loan was oversubscribed. Billions more were sold in the interim periods between drives. We have sold these bonds to more than 85,000,000 Americans. By the time this loan is over, we will have sold one billion individual pieces of the popular Series E bonds alone.

Where did this money come from? Our figures show that individuals provided the Treasury with \$49 billion net out of the \$98 billion in new funds that has become available to them since May 1, 1941—and most of the remainder went into cash savings or commercial bank accounts. Insurance companies and savings banks invested all of the \$22 billion in new funds that they received. State and local governments invested \$5 billion of the \$6 billion available. Private corporations had \$39 billion of new funds, from current surpluses and we obtained \$28 billions of it. Most of the remainder was needed by them for expanded wartime operations. Federal agencies and trust funds invested all of their \$17 billion of new funds in government securities.

In short, up to the end of the Seventh War Loan, non-bank investors provided the government with \$121 billion net of the \$207 billion it had to borrow since May 1, 1941, the balance of \$85 billion being absorbed by commercial Federal Reserve banks, most of it in open market purchases. Except for the investment of a limited portion of their savings deposits, we have not permitted the banks to subscribe directly to war loan securities in the last five war bond drives, nor in the current Victory Loan.

One of the most significant achievements of our program is the widespread distribution of the public debt. Millions of people who never before saved a penny in their lives, now own savings bonds. It is estimated that three-quarters of the Series E bonds sold to individuals were acquired by persons earning \$5000 a year or less. Today, individuals hold almost one-fourth of the total Federal debt outstanding. An even larger proportion of the interest paid out on this debt will go to individuals. Obviously, this will have a tremendous impact on post-war purchasing power.

Investing in Victory Bonds will build a second economy for the future. We cannot afford to slump back into indifference and selfishness if we are to keep faith with those who have paid most dearly so that we could live in a free and peaceful world. We can and should buy Victory Bonds to the limit of our ability if for no other reason than to express our gratitude to our fighting men. They have done their job, and have done it well. It is up to us to finish ours, so that they may come back to the kind of an America they dreamed about—a land of opportunity with full employment, full production and high income. The Victory Loan is our opportunity to express again our faith in America.



Ted R. Gamble

Rowden Round-Up Community Activities Reliably Re- corded by The Star Reporter.

By Dorris McClain

Clarence Smedley, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Smedley, is home for a few days.

Lewis Parker, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Parker, is visiting in their home.

The community extends sympathy to the relatives of Mrs. Joe Mauldin, who passed away last Saturday.

The Bayou School has closed for the Christmas holidays. Students are having two week's vacation.

The basket-ball girls at Bayou can be pretty proud of themselves. Last weekend they went to the May tournament, and without the original team, won a trophy for second place.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Bruce of Abilene were visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. McClain.

A Christmas tree for the school children Wednesday night will be the main attraction this week.

Noah Smedley is on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Jones have been visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Jones of Abilene, with their two children, will spend the weekend at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. O. O. Mobley of Glendale, Ariz. arrived Friday to spend Christmas with Mrs. Mobley's mother, Mrs. Walter Boyd, and other relatives.

Office Supplies—Star office



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Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cotton and son, Kent, of Phoenix, Ariz. arrived in Clyde Sunday for a week's visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Cotton, and his sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Ault.

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SICK LIST

We regret that so many of our classmates are sick. We'll be looking forward to having Ruby Mae Atwood back soon after several days in the hospital. Others out are Billy Ray, Gemetha Gilliam, Joyce Tyson, Rosa Jones, and Mary Lou Settle. Hury back seniors, we miss you.

SONGS THAT REMIND US OF:

James Armstrong — "Don't Sweetheart Me"; Horace Bains — "If You Knew Susie"; Junior Barner — "Let's Sing A Song About Susie"; Ethel Beasley —

"All Or Nothing At All"; Buddy Brame — "I'm In Love With Someone"; Helen Burks — "I'll Walk Along"; Robert Cook — "There Must Be A Way"; Gene Faircloth — "Don't Fence Me In"; Nell Freeman — "Waitin' For The Train To Come In"; Gemetha Gilliam — "It's Been A Long Long Time"; Billy Gray — "I'll Be Home For Christmas"; Harry Haile — "On The Sunny Side Of The Street"; Clarie Hardwick — "Caldonia"; Ernestine Hill — "There's No You"; Bobbie Jacobs — "No Love, No Nothing"; Billie Lincecum — "Little Did I Know"; Sue Loven — "That's For Me"; Johnny Manning — "I Don't Want To Love You"; Reba Jo Price — "Swinging On A Star"; Mary Lou Settle — "It Had To Be You"; Wanda Jo Windham — "Some Sunday Morning"; Rubye Joyce Atwood — "I Can't Begin To Tell You"; Doyle Nordyke — "Always"; Garland Sampson — "Sad Eyes"; Maurice Tarver — "My Life's Been A Pleasure"; Joyce Tyson — "Just Friends"; Betty Jo Warren —

Wonder Where You Are Tonight?"; Norman West — "Don't Blame Me"; Ray Young — "Home On The Range"; Shirley Pool — "Till The End Of Time"; Ruby Mae Atwood — "Don't Sweetheart Long To My Heart"; Betty Hamilton — "Together"; Etta Lee Hord — "I'll Buy That Dream"; Rosa Jones — "Love Letters"; Billy Ray — "You Gotta Talk Me Into It Baby."

CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

By BOBBIE JACOBS

When Christmas rolls around each year, everyone usually thinks of gifts, parties, drinks, and having a good time. True enough we should all be merry on Christmas but we should also have the right spirit. We should stop and think what Christmas means and why we have Christmas. Many years ago, in a far-off land, a babe lay in a manger. There was a star shining bright far up in the heavens. The wise men came from near and far to see this babe, the purest babe ever born, and born in a manger. He was born in a manger because there was no room in the inn. It made no difference; he was still our Savior and Son of our Creator, the Lord Jesus Christ. The wise men gave him gifts; that is where we get the giving of gifts at Christmas time. We should remember that Christmas is the birthday of this great one. This is our first peacetime Christmas in a long time; it should be spent more in thanksgiving and meditation than drinking and carousing around.

SOCIETY NEWS

Last Wednesday in Chapel Mr. Connel and his speech class presented a very interesting program. The Christmas spirit has really hit Baird H. All of the classes have drawn names and are planning to have their parties this week.

Some girls have found it quite a task to buy for boys. Just ask the Seniors. Everyone had his picture made last Friday. We are very anxious

to get those back.

A music recital was held Friday night in the High School Auditorium. A large crowd attended although the weather was bad.

Until after the Christmas holiday then we'll drop the Bear Facts. Merry Christmas Everyone and A Happy New Year.

GIRL'S SPORT NEWS

Now that football season is over the girls have taken an interest in basket-ball. There are approximately 25 girls coming out at present. We are looking forward to the arrival of some new equipment and the winning of all our games.

With Coach White's leadership we are bound to have a good team. We appreciate the service which he is rendering us.

EDITORIAL

We'll all be out for the holidays this week. Everyone has plans and we're all looking forward to some snow. We hope we're not disappointed. We'll report back to our studies the 31st of December. We hope the Editor will be back with us after the holidays as she has been absent due to illness. HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYONE!

RESOLUTIONS FOR THE NEW YEAR

Ruby Mae Atwood — I'm not going to talk to everyone I see.

Ruby Joyce Atwood — I'm not going to be silly anymore.

Ethel Beasley — I'll study hard and be the honor student.

Helen Burks — I'll try not to talk so much.

Gwen Dickey — I'll try to write more letters.

Ruby Nell Freeman — I'll try to work harder.

Betty Lou Hamilton — I'll try not to tread on these proverbial old maids toes.

Ernestine Hill — I'll try not to be so nosey.

Etta Lee Hord — I'll try to please all the girls.

Bobbie Jean Jacobs — I'll try not to lose my temper.

Rosa Pauline Jones — I'll try very hard to leave other girl's

boy friends alone.

Billie Jean Lincecum — I'll try to forget my grudges.

Gemetha Gilliam — I'll try to be at school all the time.

Reba Jo Price — I'll try to go to all the banquets without losing a certain friend.

Polly Settle — I'm going to resign as Editor of the Bear Facts.

Wanda Jo Windham — I'll try not to be so boyish.

Betty Jo Warren — I'll try to give more parties.

Clairie Hardwick — I'll try to come to school every day.

Shirley Pool — I'll try not to put on.

Sue Loven — I'll try to smile for the boys.

Joyce Tyson — I'll try not to be so loud-mouthed.

James Armstrong — I'll try to keep my mouth shut.

Buddy Brame — I'll try not to be jealous of the Putnam Boys.

Horace Bains — I'm going to play hard so I'll make the basket-ball team.

Junior Barner — I'll try very hard to find a tall girl.

Garland Sampson — I'll try to give the girls a lift home during the cold weather.

Billy Ray — I'm for everything that's just for the boys.

Johnny Manning — I'll try to settle down and do a little reading.

Norman West — I'll try to write my Sports News to suit the Editor.

Ray Young — I'll try to keep away from the closet.

Corky Cook — I'll try to please all the girls.

Maurice Tarver — I'll try to muster up the courage to ask a girl to the football banquet.

Gene Faircloth — I'm going to work so I'll have some money to take my girl to the Mid-night show.

W. J. Price — I'm going to study and make A's.

Doyle Nordyke — I'll try to be the only boy in Bookkeeping next term as I am in Shorthand.

Harry Haile — I'll try to be a Professional Bookkeeper.

CIVILIANS WILL RECEIVE 150 POUNDS OF MEAT

Meat supplies for civilians during the first quarter of 1946 will be about the same as they have been for the past three months, according to E. A. McBryde, District Officer for Marketing.

Total allocation for all purposes is estimated at 5,970,300,000 pounds carcass weight of which civilians will receive about 84 percent, allowing each an average of 150 pounds of meat per year. For the first quarter of 1945, civilian allocation was 18 pounds per capita less.

Others sharing in the January-March allocation include U. S. military and war services, 483,400,000 pounds, and foreign shipments and U. S. territories, 483,500,000 pounds. A large part of the latter allocation is designated for countries served by UNRRA, he said. The 483,400,000 for military purposes is slightly higher than 445,100,000 pounds allocated for this purpose for the current three month period but is only 36 percent of 1,337,100,000 pounds procured in the first quarter of 1945.

McBryde said total production in 1945 is currently estimated at 23.4 billion pounds, about 800 million pounds more than in 1945. While heavy marketing of beef cattle is expected to continue,

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NEW AND THE OLD

When we observe an old tradition this year and ring out the old and ring in the new, we needn't think that we are doing it for the last time. The atomic and electronic age is on the threshold of our lives, but it won't change everything.

Of course we may burn atoms instead of coal in the not too distant future. Scientists made such a prediction this week while heralding a complete new day of gadgets and streamlined simplification of our lives.

That means that we will be "turning on the heat" in more than a figurative sense somewhere along the future, but the meaning will be essentially the same. And so will human nature, and its appreciation of some of the simple, homey, forthright things that never change.

Like the Yule log, for instance. Perhaps the future will decree against this, too; but somewhere there is always a compromise and a happy blending between the old and the new. That's why we'll take their atoms and their helicopter, too, and put them to work in our own direction.

Remember that five acres on the hillside that you used to admire in the days of the gasoline automobile? Well you can drop down now and park your helicopter; you can go through your plastic door into your glass brick house, and you can have an automatic shave while atoms are cooking whatever vitamins the day decrees. But afterwards, when the television set is bringing Broadway drama to your hearthside, you can still toss another log on the fire and relax just like in the "old days."

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Say Good-Bye to troublesome old 1945—Hello to Kid 1946 as the clock strikes midnight on Monday December 31. Show will end at midnight then the fun will start. There will be pie eating and other contests. Number of articles will be given away from the stage. Come one, come all and enjoy our GALA NEW YEARS EVE PARTY.

"BRIGHTON STRANGER"
NOVEL WHODUNNIT

It is possible that RKO Radio's "The Brighton Stranger," with John Loder and June Duprez, may start a new trend in murder mystery pictures.

Strictly speaking, "The Brighton Stranger" is not a mystery, so far as the audience is concerned. Right from the start the audience is let in on the stranger's identity, and there's no question as to who did it, why, or how.

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Correcting the idea that only old pictures are shown to our servicemen in the front lines aboard, this production is one of the thousands that reach the G. I.'s immediately, as a gift from the motion picture industry, supplementing the more formal exhibition of film in expeditious theatres.

FRIENDS DROP IN TO BEGIN YULETIDE

Open the Christmas season a number of friends gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hunter last Friday evening to spread joy and get into the spirit of the Yuletide. Everyone was in a gay mood and the affair was very enjoyable. The evening was spent visiting together, talking and laughing and having a good time. A few songs were sung and a few parlor jokes were told, and merriment continued until near the stroke of twelve. Christmas refreshments of fruit cake, cookies, toasted nuts, fruit, and punch were served before Santa Claus appeared to present each guest with a gift box of home made candy. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Ray, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ray, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Bullock, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Freeland, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh W. Ross, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gilbreath, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Foy and little son, Freddie, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Snyder and daughters, Elizabeth Ann and Barbara, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Dunwoody and son, Larry, Mr. and Mrs. George Morgan, I. G. Mobley and Mr. and Mrs. Hunter.

FRANCES DEE SEEN IN GALA TUNEFILM

Beautiful Frances Dee, recently seen in such movies as "Gay Deception," "Half Angel" and "Keep 'em Rolling," has the leading featured feminine role in Universal's "Patrick the Great" which comes Monday night at the midnight feature at the Plaza Theatre. Donald O'Connor and Peggy Ryan are co-starred in the gay new romantic musical. Donald Cook has a prominent role.

Miss Dee, one of the few motion picture favorites who is native to Los Angeles, was taken by her family to Chicago when she was seven years old. Her first theatrical performances were during her school days at the University of Chicago. Film scouts discovered her when she appeared as an amateur in a California show.

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FROM ONE EXTREME TO ANOTHER FLOORS WARNER ACTOR

Bill Kennedy, young Warner Bros. player currently to be seen in "Escape In The Desert" at the Plaza, has a cousin who is applying to the courts for a change of name.

There's nothing unusual about a change of name ordinarily. But the man's name is Edward J. Sauer and he wants it changed to Edward J. Sweet for reasons too obvious to mention!

USED FATS NEEDED

Salvaged household fats still are necessary for production of soaps and other industrial uses despite the end of rationing of edible fats and oils. E. A. McBryde, District Officer for Marketing, announced.

"So far cooperation between local housewives, meat dealers and renderers has been excellent and we hope it will continue so long as the job of collecting used fats is necessary," he said, adding the need will continue great until imports are sufficient to help meet our demand for industrial fats.

Miss Mary Ruth Smith of Bradshaw visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Havens last week.

EASTLAND—A four county U. S. Army Recruiting Office opened in the Eastland court house Monday it was announced this week.

Offices of the former 88th District Court on the third floor of the court house were rented by the army for the new Recruiting Office. Arrangements were made by Capt. Richard H. Harrison, in charge of the Brownwood Office which formerly solicited enlistments in this area, and Lt. Jay H. Mehaffey, who will be in charge of the local office.

Lt. Mehaffey has been in charge of the Recruiting Office at Graham, which is being closed. He was a member of the Fifth Ranger Battalion which stormed ashore in the invasion of France and had a big part in the taking of vital St. Lo Corner. He is the holder of the Bronze Star, ETO Ribbon with two battle Stars, the Bronze Arrowhead, Purple Heart, and Pre-Pearl Harbor Ribbon. His wife will join him here.

Also in the office here will be six enlisted men.

The Eastland office will have an area including Eastland, Shackelford, Stephens and Callahan counties.

Men between the ages of 17 and 36 are eligible for Army enlistment. Numerous benefits are offered men enlisting now, especially those who re-enlist within 20 days of their discharge. Such men may retain the rating they held at the time of discharge.

FEMININE FOIBLES

Woman is fickle the poet said. Betty Hutton had to ride a horse—and actually did, scolding the studio's offer to put a double in the saddle—for her role as Tex Guinan in "Incendiary Blonde," currently featured at the Plaza Theatre.

But before and after working hours Betty showed no interest in equine life and got behind the steering wheel of her car whenever she wished to go places.

Recently however, Miss Hutton purchased herself a horse, a sleek black four-year-old mare, which she rides at every opportunity. She stables the horse at a San Fernando Valley riding academy.

STAR REMAINS AS TOUGH GUY

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The star denies that either he or Warner Bros. has plans to shift emphasis in his roles from rough male to romantic lover as a result of the tide of fan mail from women who responded emotionally to his roles in "Casablanca" and "To Have And Have Not."

Reports of a change in his type of roles gained credence when the start of production on "Conflict," his present picture, was delayed. The delay was mistakenly attributed to disapproval on Bogart's part of returning again to an unsympathetic role. In the film he plays a man who murders his wife.

As a matter of fact, he had just completed a long and tedious assignment on desert location and merely wanted a short vacation before going into "Conflict."

"I like the sort of plain talking, action roles that I've been playing," says the actor, "but what is even more important, there is a large audience, the audience that has put me where I am, that likes me in those roles too."

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