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Three Types Master Farmers of Callahan County

POULTRY AND APPLES ARE PAYING CROPS OUT IN CALAHAN COUNTY, TX

A Farmer, Retired Minister and Orchardist Succeed in Poultry Raising And Fruit Growing—A Good Story—

By C. A. Price, Editor of The Extensioner

Bill Meador told District Agent Parker Hanna and me (C. A. Price) about the Extension demonstrations in Callahan County, and let us pick what we desired to see.

Bill is the kind of county agriculture agent who keeps a mental catalog of the daily progress of his demonstrations and can give your their stage of development off of his (mental) thumb.

Among them are some fine turkeys and chicken flocks, especially those of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Garrett (see pay off below—Editor—melons) out Cross Plains way and of Dr. J. T. Griswold at Clyde, which we believed we would enjoy looking at.

Of course the big ranch spreads which graze about two-thirds of its area, also were interesting phases of the county's agriculture picture.

But when he wound up with the remark that Callahan is one of few Texas counties producing a large apple crop, our choice was automatic.

We decided to string along with the poultry and orchards, and were glad we did so. We got watermelons at the Garrett and ate apple pie topped with whipped cream, with orchardist J. Frank Browning.

(Strange how hungry these college fellows are.—Editor)

"I don't believe we could farm without the help of the county agent and the Extension service," observed Mrs. Garrett, leading the way to the turkeys, milling around under the apple and peach trees.

The flock, about 14 weeks old and of the "wagon wheel" strain of the broad breasted type, numbered about 145. She said they planned to keep about 100 hens for egg production, and expect to sell some of the toms to breeders.

This would be their first excursion into production of hatching eggs, and they expect to market them through the Coleman Co-op.

Early prices last year ranged from 32 to 35 cents each for select eggs.

Turkeys, however, are a side issue on the Garrett farm. A flock of 1,000 white leghorns advancing toward production is the mainstay of the family's poultry enterprise. And a trick alarm

clock plays an important part in making them pay their way in the fall and winter. Mr. Garrett is a regular producer of hatchery eggs.

(Price, looks like you would have been given at least a settin' of eggs! Browning gav you apple pie—paying you off with melons, and not eggs, just wasn't fair!—Editor)

The poultry plant comprises three ventilated, modern-type houses at the right of the farm yard. Each has a 200-foot double runway, one always having a growing crop of green feed.

At the lower end of the field are five open shelter sheds within a fence and surrounded by sudan grass. An old tank on wheels supplies water for the 600 chicks housed there. They were hatched March 25.

The first of the regular houses contains about 200 old hens which, Mr. Garrett said, would be sold to make way for approximately 500 pullets hatched February 11, and which are about ready to go into production.

The young flock, too, would be moved up to the houses as they reach maturity. All of the pullets would be blood-tested for hatchery eggs.

Mr. Garrett believes that laying hens should pay their way and work non-union hours. (Look out for the CIO hammer, Mr. Garrett—Editor)

He provides liberal rations of mash and grain mixed and ground with home equipment. The mash is 22 1-3 per cent protein, with 33 1-2 per cent of it animal matter.

During the laying season, especially after November, he feeds wet mash at noon and at other times a choice of grain and mash is offered.

In winter, he added pellets spread over mash is a good way to increase production.

"Anything which will induce them to eat another mouthful is good business in the poultry game."

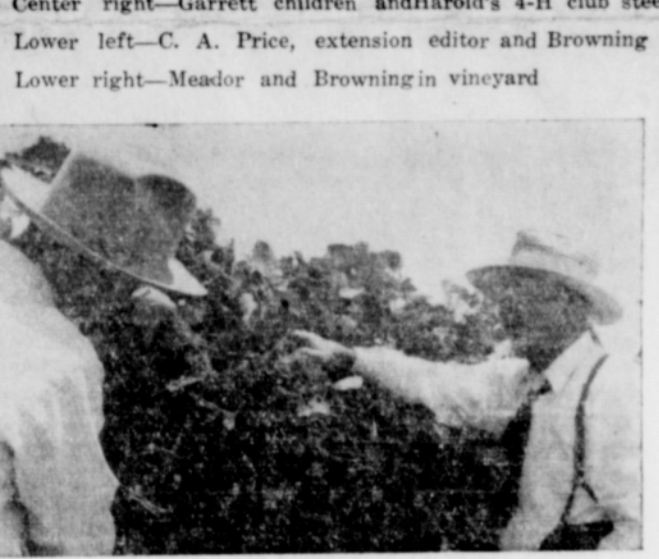
During cold weather the hens are provided with warm water, especially in the morning. Sanitation is an important part of the management program.

Laying hens, Mr. Garrett said, should be on the job early in the morning and stay on it 13 to 14 hrs.

When the sun rises early that is taken care of, but during winter months they need a shot in the leg.

Accordingly he wired the poultry houses to the Delco system and got a large alarm clock. He rigged a wire hook to the winding stem of the a-

These Pictures have A Message for you; Therefore we leave this space of silence that they may be HEARD!



Upper left, Mrs. Garrett and turkeys
Upper right—C. M. Garrett and three range shelters—and
Center left—Meador and Browning— at irrigated peppers
Center right—Garrett children and Harold's 4-H club steers
Lower left—C. A. Price, extension editor and Browning
Lower right—Meador and Browning in vineyard

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alarm, and the other end to a switch on the lighting circuit. When the alarm goes off, the wire hook rises at the stem begins to unwind, which floods the poultry houses and runways with light, which wakes the hens to begin their day's work.

Eggs start flowing to the hatchery about the first of the year, and continues through May. High quality hatchery eggs usually bring a premium of 12 to 14 cents, over current market prices, Mr. Garrett said.

Until recently the older hens were producing eight to ten cases of eggs weekly.

Cattle is next in importance to poultry. Beyond harvesting hay and growing some watermelons, most of the 485-acre farm is in grass for grazing by the herd of polled herefords.

A 20-acre pecan orchard planted 5 years ago is coming into production.

The Garretts have two children—Harold and pretty little Barbara Ann. County Agent Meador said that the Garretts often give demonstrations to neighboring farmers who have problems in poultry.

Back-tracking to Clyde we found Dr. Griswold solemnly leaning against a small building in a comfortable chair beneath a shady tree.

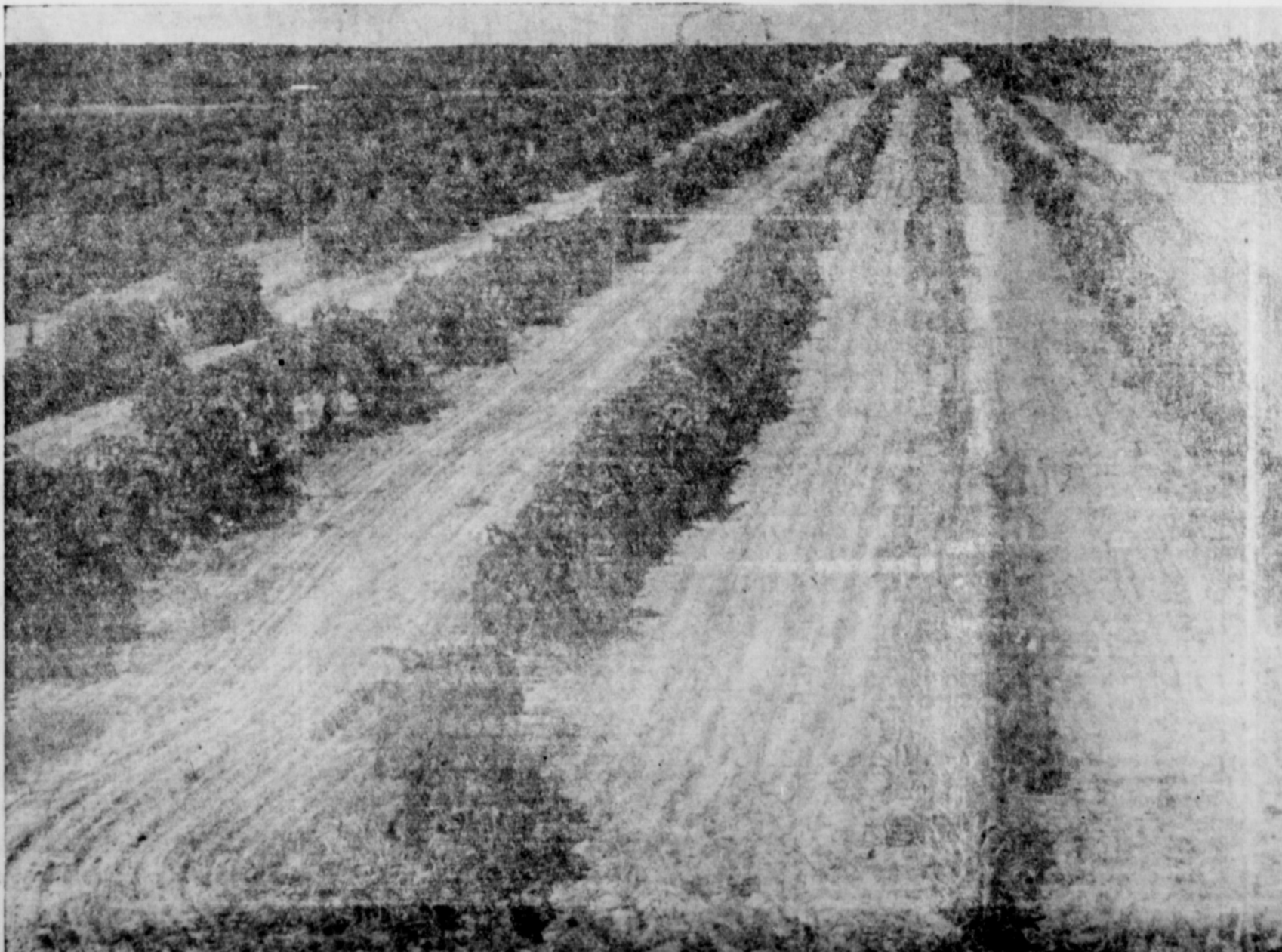
Within, an assistant was weighing grading and packing eggs.

Dr. Griswold, a white-haired, rugged giant, now halfway through 83, acquired the 3 1-2 acres on the outskirts of the town 10 years ago, after retiring at the end of 43 years in the Methodist ministry.

But I suspect that his activity in poultry is as much for the satisfaction of producing fine hens as for the income they bring him.

He knows how to control the high-strung birds, and before visitors are allowed to approach them, he goes forward and speaks gently to them.

When strangers come up the flock (Continued on Next Page)



Browning's Vineyard and Apple and Peach Orchards, just on top of the hill west of Baird, Texas.

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Callahan Master Farmers—A Good Story!

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terial life and always had 15 or 20 in the backyard," he reminisced. "I learned a good deal about poultry in those years, and got so I could make a small group lay almost 100 per cent.

"When I decided to retire, I did not want to sit down like a wart on a log. I had a way with hens, so I bought this place and started with a flock of 60. This has been my hardest year, largely because of the high price of feed.

"But there still is enough spread between cost of production and the market price for eggs to make a living."

The former minister believes that grading and weighing eggs is the only way to serve the public right.

"One thing which hurt the market most," he said, "was selling everything in the nest. And besides graded and weighed eggs bring five cts. premium over the normal market."

He said he kept complete accounts of production costs and income.

Dr. Griswold's plant comprises 4 rock poultry houses located to obtain the most benefit from the shade of ornamental and fruit trees planted with calculated carelessness, and for the easy promotion of chickens from brooder to permanent quarters.

Near the entrance of the fenced area is a Burkett pecan tree which he estimates had a 50 foot spread of limbs.

At present he has 250 thoroughbred white leghorn pullets about ready for production, and from the 650 hens in the older flock is getting about 20 dozen eggs daily.

These are sold at Abilene and none are out of the nest longer than three days before going to market.

A flock of high-bred roosters were isolated from the hens.

"Yes," he responded to an inquiry about the yellow vegetables in a plot near his house. "I had a fine garden this spring and summer. Had so much stuff I got tired of it.

"But I'm going to have another one this fall. I got a lot of help from the county agent with the garden and my poultry work."

And Meador countered with his appreciation for the help Dr. Griswold had given out of his experience to other poultry demonstrators in the county.

"Just a few culls," J. Frank Browning explained facetiously as we paused to admire a tray of J. H. Hale peaches in his big white home standing against the green background of a 40-acre peach and apple orchard, vineyard and irrigated garden. The fruit was as big as a half grown cantaloupe.

Mr. Browning, native of Bosque County bought the 40 acres about 35 years ago after living 12 years on the South Plains. The price per acre was considered high for those days, but beneath was nature's richest gift to a dry area—a plentiful supply of water. Wells 6 to 11 feet deep provide water for all purposes, and one of them often fills to the top, Mr. Browning said.

As a result the soil all over the place shows moisture an inch below the surface.

Another shallow well equipped with a power pump throwing 50 gal. a minute irrigates six acres of sweet and hot peppers which find a ready market.

The water strata is very selective. It skipped the land across the high way fronting the Browning home, and many farmers in the region have to ready water supply.

He began planting the orchard in 1920. "My neighbors grew apples and sold them for \$4 a box," he explained, "and I figured if I could get half as much it would be a good business."

The venture prospered. At this time the orchard contains 350 producing peach trees, about 1350 apple trees, and six acres of grapes. The apple varieties include Delicious, Redland, King David, Golden Delicious and Blacktwig.

He estimates that the 1944 yield will be about 5,500 bushels which he expects to bring an average of more than \$1.50 a bushel.

Marketing is no problem. San Antonio dealers send trucks and load in the orchard.

"Unfortunately," he said, "I've never had enough apples to supply the demand."

The fruit and grape orchards laid

out in rows 20 feet apart are given shallow cultivation at intervals, and are free from grass or weeds. Barnyard manure is scattered among the trees and vines during the winter, sprays applied at proper times during dormant season.

The grapes, which include Carmen Black Spanish and some American varieties ggaishthenhu y varieties, are supported by cedar post connected by single strands of wire.

Mr. Browning attributes much of his success in fruit growing to the co-operation of the county agricultural agent who recommended banding the trees to prevent the spread of insect-breeding moths. Th bands, placed on the trunks midway between the ground and the branches, act as a trap for the moths during the hibernating season.

County agricultural Agent Meador estimates there are 300 acres in orchards on the 1436 farms in the county. Prophecy is a lost art, but since there are many folks like Mr. Browning who "didn't have fruit to eat until I raised it," the coming generation may know Callahan County apples better than this generation does.

—From The Extensioner, College Station, Texas, August, 1944.

Posthumous Silver Star Award Given Billy



FIFTH AIR FORCE, South West Pacific (By Mail).—The late First Lieutenant Billy B. Hollingshead, assistant flight leader, serving with the Roarin' 20's, an A-20 bomber unit, has been posthumously awarded the Silver Star. He was the son of Mr. & Mrs. Fred Hollingshead of Baird, Texas.

Billy won the medal last January, and the citation reads:

"For gallantry in action between Gusap and Dumpu, New Guinea, Jan. 15, 1944. This officer was a wingman on patrol mission. As the formation climbed for altitude, an undetermined number of hostile fighters approached from the rear. Lieut. Hollingshead, sighting the enemy first, called his flight leader, and getting no response, attempted to draw even and attract his attention. While he was so engaged, the Japanese interceptors fired on him, wounding him in the leg. Although he could have flown away, he disregarded his dangerous position and remained on the leader's wing, thereby furnishing protection for the other aircraft, until it was finally shot down and his own plane badly damaged."



See, folks, got a white spot for you! Lary bones are to blame.

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He is one of our most successful farmers and has enough grit to stand up for what he thinks is right. So print all this as a patting shot. If you think best.

I have just heard a broadcast by Senator Pepper, or Pep as he is lovingly called by Lord Halifax (Lord, how that shames the name Lord of Hosts!)

This gentleman says if we do not elect the "indispensible" man again, it will be just too bad. It will be remembered that Pepper was the first and the last fellow who said that he could take five airplanes and bomb Tokyo off the map—So far he has not made good. That is enough snuff about him except to any one who will take a look at his mug will have enough.

Before the war started, Tom Connally was broad casting that we could whip Japan in two months.

This is the gentleman who is splitting his shirt for a police force to police Europe so if any one declares freedom from England or Russia, we will go over there (or be there) to quell them.

When Tom Cat was making his threats I sent him a telegram to side track his mouth. If there ever were a time when politicians needed to sidetrack their mouths.

A few weeks ago the "indispensible man" stated something would have to be done with the German boys. A broad hint that was calculated to make the war go on longer. The "indispensible man" has made so many threats and broad statements no one seemed to take what he said seriously, not even the Germans.

Only a few days ago Henry Morgenthau made his famous statement of how the Germans would be punished after the war. Before he made this statement Germans were surrendering simply in droves. But after his statement, they began to fight like demons. Some people have said this was only a blunder on the part of Morgenthau. If it was a blunder, it will cost the lives of hundreds of our young men. If it was not a blunder, if it were intended to do what it did to, then Morgenthau ought to be ashamed of himself, to say the least.

Doubtless you might think this is mild. Regardless of that, this shows we need to get rid of that bunch in Washington.

The "indispensible man" changed from buffoonery and wise-cracking in his first speech to cry-babbling in the last one. He wise-cracked about Falls in his first speech to babbling in the last one. Like Peter, he denied Hillman and Browder in his last speech. He knew them not. It is just as easy to deny Hillman and Browder and can be done with the same conscience as it was to promise the fathers an mothers again and again and again that their sons would not go to foreign fields.

These funds, "again and again and again" have almost attained the volume of a year over the United States and they are going to get louder as

time goes on. The people of America need some one they can trust in the White House.

I resent the name Falls for even a dog. If you add "oy" to "falls" you have fallacy, which means deception, hypocrisy, falsehood, or in plain language "lying."

This is unfair to a dog. Dogs are not deceitful. During my life I have owned many dogs. There are at least six on my place now. Part of them are bothered with insomnia, and I get up and chuck them at night. I like the creatures just the same same when a man wisecracks about a dog and thousands of our American boys are dying all over the world.

I am just not for him. For Falls, I have only respect, but for his man-

ter, I will vote against him. May be I ought to quit here, but I have something else to say. We have heard the "indispensible man" say a lot about Wilkie and Al Smith. And that is all right. But have you or any one else heard of him expressing a single regret about th sorrow and suffering and anguish all over the world?

You have not, and you will not. And now the Dumbarton Oaks is adjourned, after a lot of palaver. They admit the whole thing has failed. A thing like this has been proposed after or during every war. It is the politicians that fear the people. They promise it will never happen again.

Oh, yes, it will happen again and again and again, if you please. They do not intend to keep their word, and they know it.

This Dumbarton Oaks thing was kept secret, and the acts of the "indispensible man" are kept secret.

Those secret things do not and will not work. Even the Ku Klux tried to rule by secrecy.

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IF COURT CAN DO THIS, WE'RE ALREADY SLAVES OF NATION!

The following lifted from Abilene Reporter-News' story of Federal Court there last week:

"Garner Lindsey Harcrow of Haskell county was sentenced to two yrs. in (federal prison at) Texarkana for failure to report for work of national importance under civilian direction."

Another tory recited that a veteran got long sentence for having too many gas coupons!

Then the draftboard members are presumed to be sacrosanct, for the Federal Court took jurisdiction in a case where a draftee attacked the chairman of the Taylor Board—not on duty nor in the draftboard rooms!

These ought to start those dormant thinkers of yours to work.

At Church of Christ



LOYD CONNEL, EVANGELIST

Why Study The Bible?

The study of the Bible is of supreme importance to the whole race. To Timothy, in the long ago, Paul said, "Study to show thyself approved." (II. Timothy 2:15).

Timothy had been reared in a home where there was much Bible teaching. From his youth he had been taught the Scriptures, and knew them from the time he was old enough to learn.

The question is, where are the homes like that today?

A child may grow up today in a home, attend public school, college, and universities and still be ignorant of the Bible. It is sometimes said that an education makes a man meaner. If this is true, the fault lies in the character of education. It may be true that a mean educated man is worse than the mean man who is not educated. If this be true, it is not because of the education that he is mean, but only the education helped him carry on his business. A man may have the best of education and yet, if he does not have a knowledge of the Bible, he is not educated. The education that we can and should plead for one that develops one physically, mentally, morally, and spiritually.

There are many reasons why we should study the Bible—

- 1. We can not know God without knowing the Bible. 2. We can not know God as he is without a bible education. 3. The only way to really know Him is through his revealed word.

These things being true, then let us draw ourselves closer to God and to his Son, The Lord Jesus Christ, by studying the Bible, the Word of God. Through the Bible we know God and His Son. Through God and His Son we have eternal life. "And this is Life Eternal, that they might know Thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom Thou hast sent. (John 17:3). Thus we can see how important it is to study the Bible, and to know the Lord Jesus Christ; for only in knowing Him can we have eternal life.

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THE AMERICAN LEGION AUX.—Met Monday night in regular session, Mrs. Freeland presided in the absence of Mrs. Heyser. A short business meeting was held after which the meeting adjourned. We will meet 2nd Monday in November.

don herold says!



I want a country which will let me be me without hurting anybody, of course. Even if collectivism worked, I wouldn't like it.

SYNODICALLING IN WICHITA F.

Rev. F. S. Collins and Mesdames Alexander and Fulton are attending their church synod in Wichita Falls this week. Mrs. Fulton will visit relatives there.

SECOND OAKLEAF CLUSTER

From England comes the news story that Sgt. Mike C. Hughes has been awarded second oakleaf cluster to his air medal for "meritorious achievement, coolness, courage and skill," during Eighth Air Force in bombing over naziland.

Sgt. Hughes, before entering the Army Air Force was student in Abilene Christian College. He is a member of the 3rd Bombardment Div. He was in the shuttle bombing of Africa, and the bombing of the Messerschmidt plants at Regensburg in German in August, 1943.

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'AGAIN AND AGAIN AND AGAIN' BEAT WILKIE—AND WAS SAID ONLY TO BEAT HIM!

Washington, D. C.—Franklin D. Roosevelt never said, "Unless we are attacked," according to Washington and New York newspapers.

The Times Herald says, "When Mr. Roosevelt made his 'again and again and again' speech at Boston on Oct. 30, 1940, he spoke as follows:

"And while I am talking to you mothers and fathers, I give you one more assurance, I have said this before, but I shall say it again and again and again: Your boys are not going to be sent into any foreign wars."

"They are going into training to form a force so strong that, by its very existence, it will keep the threat of war far away from our shores. The purpose of our defense is defense. Since calling attention to this statement by Mr. Roosevelt, which is what clinched the defeat of Wendell Wilkie that year, we have had a great deal of mail declaring that we did not give the full quotation.

"The letter writers—on the Roosevelt side of course—generally asst that the President added the words: 'Unless we are attacked.'

"We reiterate that the quotation given above is the full quotation, and that nowhere in the record of that speech, nor in the recording of his voice on that occasion, do the words 'unless we are attacked' appear."

Royce Gilliland Dies

The Baird community first, then all Callahan county, heard with surprise and sorrow the sudden death of a native Baird son, Royce Gilliland which occurred at 3:00 a. m., Sunday morning.

He was up preparing a hot-water bottle for his wife, who was suffering, and as he ministered to her, he remarked that he was not feeling well. He turned back to the kitchen to complete his ministry, and dropped to the floor; his daughter called the doctor, but he was pronounced dead—heart attack.

He was born Nov. 10, 1895, the son of Mr. & Mrs. J. J. Gilliland, and he married Miss Stella Carter. He was an ordained Baptist preacher, but at time of his death was devoting his entire time to the duties as secretary of the local draft board.

He is survived by his wife, two daughters, Nettie Elvira, 16, and Martha Roy, 15; his mother, and one brother, M. L. Gilliland of Baird; and two nieces, we are informed.

Perhaps no man in the County was more universally liked and respected than Royce Gilliland, and he will be sorely missed by his friends and relatives.

Funeral services were conducted at his mother church, the First Baptist Church of Baird, with Rev. Dick O'Brien in charge, assisted by his pastor, Rev. A. A. Davis and the pastor of the Presbyterian Church, Rev. S. P. Collins, Rev. Hays from Abilene, a former pastor here of the Baptist Church, and Rev. W. B. Hicks, pastor of Methodist Church, also Rev. Lloyd Connel of the Local Church of Christ.

Burial was in the Ross cemetery, immediately after the services at the church, Monday afternoon.

Wylie Funeral directors were in charge of the body.

Pall bearers were: James Asbury, Ray Boen, Burt Tabor, Buster George, B. L. Boydston, Winifred Haley, Lee Ivey, and Ace Hickman.

Hospital Notes

Born to Mr. & Mrs. J. D. Barnes, Oct. 9, a son—Vencil Calvin; to Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Jackson of Clyde, a son, Oct. 4—Charles Luther; to Mr. & Mrs. O. L. Rogers of Clyde, a girl Oct. 4.

don herold says!



Among the raw materials which any factory needs is money.

It may need steel or rubber or asbestos or cork or oil or all of 'em—and maybe other things. But the first thing it needs is MONEY.

You could call 10,000 workers together and they couldn't turn a wheel without somebody's money to pay for the wheel and some raw materials with which to make the product.

The only way to get this money is to "rent it" from people (stockholders) who have been thrifty and smart and lucky enough to save more than they've spent.

If these people are too scared by exorbitant taxes or by politicians to risk their money, the 10,000 workers mentioned above will just stand around with no tools or "ingredients" to work with. THAT is what we don't want to happen in America after this war.

Nekia Beth daughter of Mr. & Mrs. John Bryant of Clyde had a tonsillectomy, Oct. 6.

Mrs. C. C. Vinson entered Monday for medical check-up.

Mrs. Ernest Windham entered on Wednesday—severe cold.

D. S. Hooper who has been a patient several days is slowly improving—high blood pressure and major surgery.

Mary Mae Varner entered Oct. 6—medical patient.

Mrs. J. E. Spruill went home last Thursday—here for asthma.

Lloyd Barr was an X-Ray patient Wednesday.

Clayton Meador spent two days in hospital, after a football game with Putnam!

Mrs. Milton Caldwell went home following major surgery.

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Editorial

Why Should We Go To School? (By Bobby Wagner)

"Learning to do; doing to learn" is perhaps the best answer to question. We have heard that experience is a good teacher, which is true, but what would experience be without school? When there were no books and few schools, progress was slow because people had to find out things for themselves. But as time went by men became interested in starting school and their ideas spread. Schools were scattered at first, but they grew larger, and now they are in nearly every settlement on the face of the earth.

Education comes first in everyone's life. One must prepare for the future. Our future governments depend on us; our leaders will be the ones with the most knowledge and the best educated, so we must study hard to learn things in order that the future world can be kept at peace. Every country should have public schools so that their leaders will be well qualified to lead them into a better future.

If no one went to school, then our nations would be at war most of the time, and each individual would care only for himself. Perhaps there would be no elections, no public places to go and our country would be controlled by a dictator, because no one would have enough knowledge to look into the future, and would care only for the present.

Therefore, we must do our best to learn for our own benefit, our own education is essential, and the best of education is found only in schools, because school is the only place where one can learn both leadership and life. Yes, what would life be without schools?

GRAMMAR SCHOOL GAME

The Baird Bear Cubs traveled to Merkel last Thursday night, coming out on the little end of the score—39 to 6. Jack Yarbrough ran 63 yards for the Cubs' only score. They were badly outweighted, and failed to hold the Merkel team in check.

Football

Baird Bears vs. Colorado C. Wolves

Another game was played at the Bear's Den last Friday and both teams were expecting a tough game. Although the Bears were outweighted, they held the Wolves fairly well. The Bears completed 4 out of 8 passes, because of the very accurate throwing of T. A. White.

T. A. White was Baird's most outstanding player, weighing only 125 pounds. He was in on almost every tackle.

The Wolves made their first score in the second quarter. Also in the 2nd quarter the Wolves blocked a Baird kick, making the score 9 to 0, at the half.

Halfway in the 4th quarter, the Wolves made their last score with the Bears holding the extra point. The final score was 15 to 0. The next game will be played at Rotan, ruff was played yesterday, October 12, at Rotan—results next week.

—Gorman-Varner, Sports Editors.

SENIOR CLASS NEWS

The Senior Class appreciates very much the assistance and donations the patrons of the school are giving us so we will be able to put out another "swell" annual this year.

We wish to thank Mr. Hickman and Dr. Hill for making coffee at the game last Friday night.

The Seniors regret very much to lose A. J. Hopkins, who received his call to the Army, and we want to wish "Hoppe" good luck, and we hope he likes the army life.

Last year the "Daughters of the Republic of Texas" sponsored a state wide essay contest on the subject—"Why Texas Should Celebrate its Centennial of Statehood." Nettie Gilliland and Mary Lou Settle entered the contest from Baird High School. Nettie's essay won recognition and a certificate of award was

Superintendent of Public Instruction L. A. Wood. From all of the schools of Texas, we won recognition! Nettie, you are it!

"WHAT IF"

Benny Pierson and Ann Meridith didn't write notes in English class? Johnny Swenson forgot how to play the piano? Shirley Pool were 6 ft. 6? Beckye Griggs didn't have a date every night with C. D.?

WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF—

Mrs Nichols couldn't speak spanish Sally Corn didn't like the Varner boys?

T. A. White would ask a girl for a date?

Raynelle Miller weighed 200 lbs?

Don Gorman didn't know how to play football?

Tom Odom couldn't rate a date?

If you would like to have the details on the fights Friday night, ask Carl Lee Hinds.

Will any one in High School agree with Betsy that Tom Odom is stupid for not breaking his date with Ann Meridith Monday night and going with her instead?

Notice—Benny Pierson is the best Christian in Baird High.

What would Bob Wagner do if the assistant editor of "Bear Facts" were a boy?

Raynele Miller got so mad that her hair turned red.

"Red" Gorman's new nick name is "Sorrel Top."

The nicotine squad elected their officers this week—Tom Odom, Pres.

SALLY CORN

Sally Corn was born in Baird, July 12, 1928. She has attended the Baird Schools since the first grade. A grand personality, a good student, and a sweet smile for everyone are only a few of her good points. She plans to attend Texas University in July to major in Business and minor in Spanish.

Her favorites are— Song, "You Always Hurt the One You Love."

Drink — Olive Coke Pastime — Hunting (dear) Study — Shorthand Actress — Betty Grable Actor — Paul Henreid Sport — Basketball Show — "In Our Time" Here's to you, Dilly Dally.

BENNY PIERSON

Benny was born in Big Springs, in 1928. He lived there until he was in the third grade, and then moved to Baird, an lived here for three months. He moved to Toyah, and stayed there five years. Back to Baird he came and has been here ever since.

This is his second year to attend Baird High School. He is a good student along with being a "great guy" and a good football player. Both years he has played football, and this year he is on the first string.

His Favorites are— Song—"Can't Get Out of This Mood."

Drink — Big thick chocolate malt. Psatime — Hunting (dear) Study — chemistry Actress — Dorothy Lamour Actor — Donald O'Connor Sport — Football Show, "The Return of Wild Bill Elliott." Best wishes, "Binder."

DRAMATIC CLUB NEWS

The Dramatic Club had a formal initiation of the new members, Wednesday, Oct. 4, 1944. Geo. Walls called meeting to order and the minutes were read by Nettie Gillilan. Red, blue and yellow ribbons were pinned on each new member. The meeting was adjourned, and all who wanted to dance remained at the Banquet Hall and danced for about an hour.

The Club will put on two three-act plays, but haven't yet decided which ones we are going to put on. Also we are going to enter a one-act play in the U.I.L meet this year.

The officers are— Pres. Geo. Walls Vice-Pres.—Ruby Nell Loper; Sec'y —Polly Settle; Treasurer— Shirley Pool; Reporter—Jo Bess Miller; Business Mgr.—Bobby Wagner; and Sponsor—Mrs. Settles.

WANTED—Colman or Standard gasoline lantern for serviceman overseas.—Mrs. Royce Gilliland. 1tp.

COOKED FOOD SALE!

The Sophomore class is sponsoring a cooked food sale, Saturday. It will be in the building formerly occupied by Roy Williams Tailor Shop. We will serve plate lunches, cake, pie, sandwiches, coffee, milk. All Money will go to the sophomore class. Everyone welcome.

Sales Talk FOR THE BOSS!

PRINTING IS NOT ONLY LETTER HEADS STATEMENT BLANKS AND FORMS

If you are the man called "boss"... If you are the man charged with war-time selling... If you are the man whose responsibility it will be to see that sales are made in post-war tomorrow... YOU are the man that should learn more about printing today. PRINTING MEANS SALES. Our well-equipped, modern plant can do the job you want and have a right to expect on direct-mail campaigns, envelopes, announcements, envelopes, printed aids and other direct sales. We will be pleased to help plan your printing needs.

The Baird Star

LOCAL TOWNSMEN'S BROTHER DIES IN MIDLAND

Word comes that W. S. Kelton, 65, a prominent ranchman died and was buried in Midland last Saturday. He died after a long illness. He's survived two sisters and two brothers. One by his wife, two sons, four daughters sister, Mrs. Cleo Wahler, and one brother, S. H. Kelton, live in Baird.

Wanda Mehel Lowry of Putnam is now a member of the "Cowgirls," leading woman's organization at the Hardin-Simmons University in the village of Abilene, where she is a soph.

DOESN'T SEEM TOO ANGRY!

Monday morning we got the following letter from a man in service: October 1, 1944. Dear Editor:

Received a copy of the Star today (Aug. 25), and as I've mentioned before, I sure enjoy them. Give 'em hell!

Use the enclosed address until further notice.

As ever,

Harris

C. N. Harris, AOM1-c USN, Fleet Air Wing 10, Care Fleet P. O., San Francisco, Calif.

JUDGE AND MRS FARMER HAVE GUESTS AT EULA HOME

S-Sgt. Julian Farmer, and Sgt. and Mrs. Leonard Farmer and daughter have been visiting their parents Mr. and Mrs. Lester Farmer of Eula.

Julian returned to Big Springs Air Base where he is stationed, and Leonard to Dodge City Air Base. Mrs. farmer and daughter Patricia live in Dodge City, Kansas.

Sgt. Jerald Farmer in is England, and Wendell, GM3-c, have recently sent home silverware from England, and a kangaroo rug from Australia.

DEATH TAKES UNCLE DICK

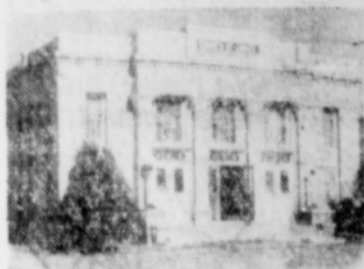
Last Saturday another old settler, J. R. Morgan, passed away. He came here in 1912 and settled on a farm. There he has since lived, near Putnam. Funeral services were held at Seranton Baptist Church with Rev. Baker of Putnam in charge, assisted by Rev. Dunlap.

Surviving are—his wife, a daughter, Mrs. Nina Talley of Garland, & a son, J. T. Morgan of Big Springs.

A-c Bill Hatchett has been transferred from the Naval Air Station at Norman Okla., to USNATC at Corpus Christi.

Church of Christ

(Lloyd Connel, Evangelist)



Bibleclasses, 10:00 A. M. Come & bring your Bible.

Preaching at 11:00 a. m., and at 8:30 p. m.

Communion at 11:45 a. m.

Wednesday Bible Study, at 8:30 p.m.

Your are welcome at all services.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincerest thanks to our host of friends and neighbors for their many acts of kindness and deeds of helpfulness, during the long illness and death of our dear husband and father. Beautiful floral offering spoke to our hearts messages of comfort only in the language of flowers to be spoken. May God richly minister unto your hours of grief, should they come.

Mrs. J. R. Morgan
J. T. Morgan,
Mrs. Nina Talley.

THE McELROY'S MOVED AWAY

The M. D. McElroy family who have lived since 1926 on the Woodley Petroleum lease, have moved to McCamey. The family consists of Mr. & Mrs. McElroy and their daughter Mrs. Sparks, whose husband is with Gen. Patton in Europe. The other daughter lives in McCamey, so as far as family relations go, the move will be a happy one.

Not being able to get a house, the wife and daughter came back for china and linen only until a house is available—light-housekeeping, so to speak.

And they took Star with them!

"By Gad, I DON'T LIKE IT!"

Thus began a letter from W. E. Martin, Lawyer, of Abilene, dater 10-9-44.

Baird Star, Baird, Texas. Dear Bro. Adams:— By Gad, I don't like it. Selling out the best little weekly newspaper in Texas and depriving us of a weekly feast of Journalism fit for the gods.

I have been intending every week to write a few pious remarks for you to print in th Star, but just kept putting i off. Better, perhaps, anyway, because the folks there might not appreciate it too much—what I would have said.

You are right in your statement that we are now operating this good old USA under a system of National Socialism, which is, perhaps, necessary (or at least expedient) in war times.

Whether we get back to anything less like National Socialism, and a little more akin to the old American Way, depends upon whether the people want it or not, and whatever the people want is right!

This statement proceeds from the premise that the people are capable of self-government, and, being capable, wil choose and establish that kind of Government which is best for themselves.

You, and all of your kind, are either fighting a winning fight to restore the American Way of Life, or you are fighting a losing fight, to succumb to National Socialism.

Let us, then, believing in the capacity of the people for self-government, hope, whether we win or lose, that what comes out at the end of the horn will be that which is best for America.

Respectfully,

W. E. Martin, Rt.10
Fort Worth, Texas.

Lloyd Barr, Jr., S 3-c, has finished boot trinaing at San Diego, and is at home with his parents, Mr. & Mrs. L. W. Barr, who live south of Clyde. He has embarkation papers for the

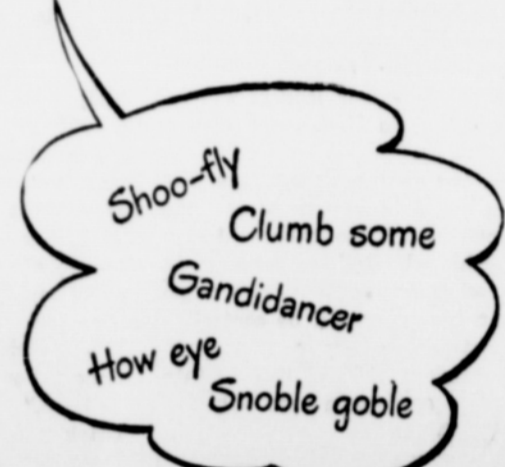
SALE!
Winter IS Here!

How about that pair of Blankets?— We have them, for you—come in to day and see them;

- 1 Pair Cotton Blankets \$2.25
 - 1 pair 5 per cent Wool Blankets \$3.25
 - 1 Pair 25 per cent Wool Blankets \$6.75
 - 2 Boxes of Kotex for only 45c
 - 1 Pair Towels for only 25c
 - 1 Pair of Good Towels for only 40c
 - Three Wash Rags for only 25c
 - 6 Spools of Thread for only 25c
 - 2 Pairs of Children's Sox for only 25c
- MOORE FOR LESS MONEY ALWAYS AT—

WILL D BOYDSTUN
WHERE EVERYBODY TRADES

WHAT LANGUAGE IS THAT?



Prof. Tsk is a philologist. Words are his meat: Chinese, Sanskrit or Aztec. He can even understand his freshman daughter and soldier son!

But the talk he's hearing now has him baffled.

You, too?... Well, it's simply the everyday speech of the line crews who keep your home and community supplied with electricity—come what may.

A "shoo-fly," for example, is a temporary line built around a tree fall, washout or construction job.

These men don't coin curious words just for the fun of it. They use them, as a kind of oral shorthand—to speed their work and help bring you better electric service.

Lots of folks take the linemen's work for granted. But they are an essential part of the industry which—under experienced business management—has met every war demand for electricity—without shortage or rationing—at low prewar prices.

That's an accomplishment in any man's language.

"A 'clumbrome' is an apprentice lineman. A 'gandidancer' is a laborer. A 'how eye' is a dead-end tye. 'Snoble goble' is anything you can't remember by its name.

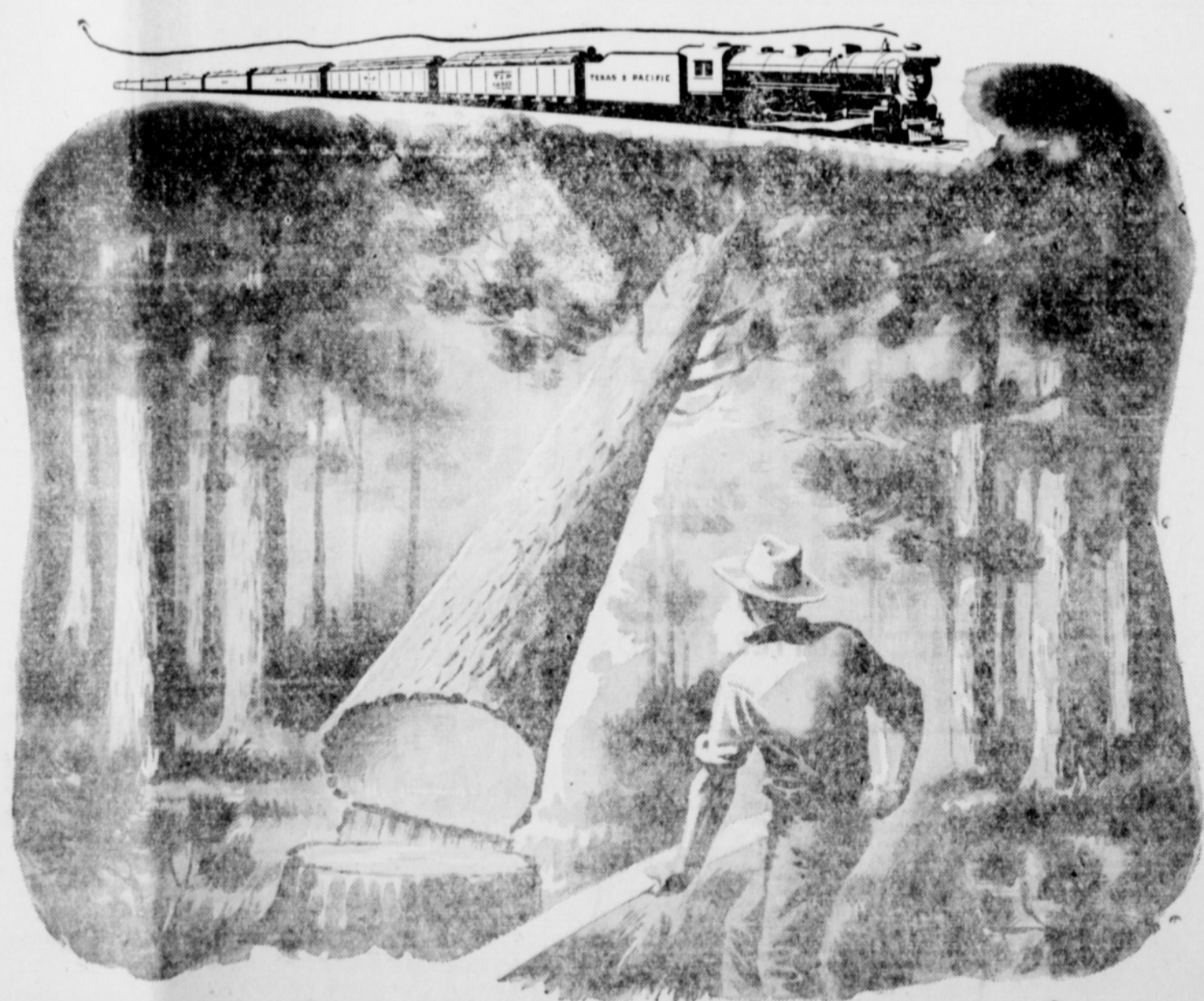


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