

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

# The Baird Star

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

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

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MARVIN HUNTER, Jr., Editor

## REA Will Pay \$1 Per Mile Taxes

More than a hundred citizens who reside in the southern part of Callahan county came before the county equalization board Saturday morning to discuss the matter of tax rendition on Rural Electrification Administration high lines that traverse that area. The rendition of \$40 per mile will remain the same as in past years. There seemed to have been some misunderstanding due to the fact that the properties had been rendered for taxation at \$10 per mile while a report was circulated that the board would raise the valuation to \$100 per mile. In 1944 there were 40.42 miles of taxable lines in this county. Rendered at \$40 per mile the total tax amounted to \$40.40 for the year. This adds up to the sum of only \$1.00 per mile in taxes paid. The same plan for taxation will be carried on in 1945, according to the board of equalization's action.

### CHURCH DEDICATION

The new Church of Christ building at Cottonwood will be dedicated Sunday, and large crowds are expected to attend at each of the services during the day. Services will be held in the new building beginning with Bible classes at 10:00 a. m. worship service at 11:00 a. m. Dinner will be spread at noon. The song service will be held from 3 to 5 o'clock in the afternoon, and the evening service will begin at 8:45 p. m. Invitations have been sent to churches of Christ through this area. Everyone, regardless of religious belief, is cordially invited to attend all services.

### 10 MINUTES, PLEASE

Fire Chief Gilbert Hinds asks the public to give them only ten minutes to get the fire truck through the main street when the fire alarm is sounded. Then he pleads, stay at least two blocks behind the fire trucks, if you are going to the fire. The congestion has been so bad lately that the fire truck has been held up in the traffic on a number of occasions.

### THREE SONS OF OPLIN COUPLE IN ARMY

There is no lack of patriotism in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jess Poindexter of Oplin, for they have seen all three of their sons leave home to join Uncle Sam's armed forces.

Pvt. Dave Poindexter, the oldest of the three, has been in the Army since Feb. 7, 1941, and has served most of his four years and four months at Hunter Field, Ga. Having entered the service Nov. 8, 1942, Pvt. J. R. Poindexter has been in combat duty with the signal corps in the European theater almost two years. Taking part in the Normandy invasion, Pvt. Poindexter was wounded in December 1944, and was sent back to England for two months' hospitalization. He later returned to Germany where he is now stationed.

The youngest of three, Pvt. Eugene Poindexter joined the Army August 11, 1944, leaving for overseas duty February 6. At the last word received from him, he was in Luzon with the 32nd Infantry.

Willa Dean Goin of Jal, N. M. is spending several days with her sister, Mrs. L. S. Walker, and friends.

Mrs. Griffin of Dallas is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Bill Chambers, and family, in Clyde.

### We Invite—

#### BILL HATCHETT

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

## June Court Term Closes Last Friday

The June term of district court came to a close last weekend with the completion of more cases than usually come to trial. Nine divorces were granted as follows: Willie F. Harris vs Wanda Juanita Harris; Ada Parsons vs E. O. Parsons; Martha Nickerson vs Paul N. Nickerson; Lela Myrtle Franks vs Lee F. Franks; Jessie Mae Sprouse vs M. M. Sprouse; Corrie Alice Duncan vs John Oren Duncan; Modell Takacs vs Joe Takacs; W. S. Wiley vs Zenobia Lee Wiley; and E. L. De Arman vs Cora Adeline De Arman.

Among other cases on the docket were: Edd Morgan vs P. P. Bond et al, in favor of defendant on land suit.

District Trustees of District No. 14 of Callahan County, Texas et al vs The County School Trustees of Callahan County, Texas et al, order abolishing Erath Common School District No. 14 and attaching it to the Putnam Indp. School District declared void.

Ben L. Cox et al vs The Heirs of D. P. De Arman deceased et al, order of sale of land.

Criminal: Klye Jacks five year suspended sentence for burglary of Ace Hickman Home.

### T/SGT. TURNER RETURNS WITH HONORS

Tech. Sgt. Hicks A. Turner, wearing five battle stars and the Soldier's Medal, was returned to the states after twenty-seven months with the 36th Engineers Division in Germany.

He was returned to the states by air under the "Green Project" which calls for 50,000 overseamen to be flown home each month by Air Transport Command, the bulk of them coming through ATC's Miami Army Air Field.

Clearing Miami Air Field today for Camp Blanding, Fla., from where they will be sent by rail in the next lap toward their release or reassignment under the Army's redeployment plan was the usual delegation of Texans.

### POETRY CONTEST

Texas Poets are invited to enter a national poetry contest now being directed by the National Thanksgiving Association. Rules governing the contest may be had by addressing the state chairman, Joseph English, of Truscott, Tex. Winning poems will be selected for a book of poems featuring the patriotic observance of our national thanksgiving.

### DEEP CREEK CAMP MEETING JUNE 29

The opening service of The Deep Creek Camp meeting will be Friday, June 29, 8:15 p. m. in the big tabernacle at John Hughes Tourist Camp on State Hi-Way No. 1 between Putnam and Baird. For over fifteen years W. E. Hawkins has been conducting this camp with blessing to many people.

With Bro. Hawkins this year will be the Radio Evangelist of Abilene, Joe Temple, Millard Demy of Arkansas, Jack Benson (Big Jack, weighing nearly 300 pounds.) of Colorado, Martin Massinger of Dallas.

Cabins are available for families, also a boys and a girls camp. Bring your bedding and towels, etc. Cafe on the grounds opened for supper Saturday, June 30, 6:30 p. m.

Come and enjoy the fellowship.

### SERVICE MEN'S TAXES

Service men, returning to this country from overseas duty, may continue to postpone payment of federal income taxes for five and one-half months after their return. Previously, the regulations of the Bureau of Internal Revenue canceled the tax postponement for overseas service men who had been back in this country three and one-half months.

There will be no meeting of the Womens Society of Christian Service at the Methodist church Monday, June 2.

Mrs. Maria Leache left Sunday for Fort Worth to visit her sisters Misses Aurelia and Mary Bowyer.

## James Browning Dies On Cebu Isle

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Browning received a telegram from the War Department Tuesday telling of the death of their son, T-4 James Browning. The telegram stated that he died June 20 on Cebu Island in the Philippines. No further details were disclosed.

James, with the Construction Battalion, had been on Cebu a month and had spent fifteen months on Guadalcanal. He would have been in service two years in February.

He graduated from the local high school in 1940 and was an outstanding football player during his high school years.

A host of friends throughout Callahan county are shocked upon learning of this sad news.

### MRS. TURNER'S FATHER DIES

Mrs. H. L. Turner sends us word that she will be unable to turn in her column of Deep Creek news this week due to the death of her father. We regret very much to learn of this sad news. Our sincere sympathy is extended to the family in the hour of sadness.

### RITES CONDUCTED FOR KEITH BABY

Funeral services for the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Keith of Clyde were conducted in Clyde Sunday. Burial was in the Clyde cemetery, with H. L. Boring, minister of the Church of Christ, officiating.

The baby was born Saturday in Baird Hospital.

### OPENS DINING ROOM

Preston Chick announces in a Star advertisement this week that his new Baird Dining Room will be open for business Monday, July 2nd. The new dining room will serve family style meals daily between the hours of 11:30 a. m. and 2:30 p. m. The building next to Johnson's Dry Cleaners has been selected for the dining room's location.

### WAR SOUVENIRS

An arrangement of souvenirs from the present war fronts is being made by Raymond Young, and all who visit City Pharmacy may view the collection. Mr. Young invites everyone who has such souvenirs, and wishes to display them, to bring them to the City Pharmacy. They will each be tagged to show who the owner is and give a short history of it. Among the items now in the arrangement is a pennant taken from Hitler's residence, a German helmet, German bayonet, various medals and citations, snow cap, Jap rifle, saber and scabbard, Jap money, and many other interesting articles.

## Baird Men Appear in the Road-Runner Column

By Hamilton Wright in Abilene Reporter-News

For 39 years J. C. "Pops" Lee yanked locomotive throttles on railroads in the United States, 33 of them on "kettles" drawing freights and passenger trains between Fort Worth and Baird. In all he had 42 years railroading before retiring in 1936 on pension.

His most thrilling experience came in a brief period of three weeks while on the right-hand side of the cab pulling passenger trains. "I turned over three-count 'em—locomotives on the Chesapeake and Ohio. Nobody hurt. Engines were messed. Then I got the 'can'."

"Pops" started out in the railroad experience with the Angus-Sinclair Construction Co. building the Canadian National near Sudberry, but he came from Illinois originally.

He happened to come to Texas because of the "fine talk" about Fort Worth, he said. "My father had been around Fort Worth at the close of the Civil War and I had heard much from others about the Panther City. In 1912 I hired out to the Texas & Pacific railroad as engineer."

"Pops" said he had previously worked on so many railroads he couldn't recall all of them. But here's a few—hold your breath—

## Firemen Hold Annual Barbecue

Members of the Baird Volunteer Fire Department, their wives, children and friends gathered at a beautiful spot near the old Horn ranch house last Friday evening for their annual barbecue picnic. The group began to gather shortly before eight o'clock and enjoyed talking and laughing and visiting until the chief cook yelled "Come and get it." Barbecue and beans and potato salad, onions and pickles and other delicious edibles were piled high on the plates as the line of hungry guests passed the long serving table. G. M. King, well known for his ability as a cook, headed the staff that prepared the food. He was assisted by Gilbert Hinds, C. P. Ault and J. B. Jones. It goes without saying that this affair was very much enjoyed. It was their annual get-together, the affair the firemen look forward to from one year to the next. As it was explained to a Star reporter, the department maintains an operating fund into which flows dimes and dollars collected from fines throughout the year. A portion of this fund is used to finance the annual barbecue.

Gilbert Hinds is chief of the department, C. P. Ault and Roy Denny are his assistant fire chiefs, J. B. Jones is secretary, Bob Swinson and N. L. Dickey are foremen in charge of trucks. They are assisted by about 12 other members of the fire department. When a member misses a meeting or leaves a fire before the hose is rolled up, or fails to show up for a meeting, and other good reasons, he is assessed a small fine. He pays his dues as a good fireman should, and when he doesn't, he pays a small fine. This is the way all through the year, the firemen look forward to the annual celebration. There are other social affairs now and then enjoyed by the department members and their wives, but none of these are placed higher on the list of rare entertainments than the annual barbecue.

Just before darkness came, the crowd broke up camp and returned to their homes after one of the most successful events in the history of fire department barbecues.

Among those who attended the affair were Lt. and Mrs. Morris Cooke, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Woodley, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Anderson, Miss Maurine Cooke, Mr. and Mrs. Farris Bennett and Sally Ray White, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Freeland, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Hinds, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. King, Shorty Ault, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Ault, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Swinson, M. A. Cline, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Stiffler, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Tankersley, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Hall Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hunter. Among the children were Mary Louise Cooke, Marvin, Johnny, Bobby Ruth Swinson, C. P. Jr., Lou Anna Mae, Cleveland Lee, and Jackie Ault.

## Elliott Returns; Family Reunited

"Let's not talk that," was his reply when we asked R. C. Elliott, Ship Fitter 1-c, his experiences in the South Pacific. "I'd rather talk about my wife and baby girl," and his eyes sparkled at the mention of them. He saw his 22-month-old baby daughter, Shirley Ann, for the first time when he reached home last week after spending twenty-six months fighting Japs.

To celebrate his home coming, the Elliott family held a big family reunion and went fishing at Brownwood for several days last week. His dad, R. L. Elliott, and his brother, R. L. Elliott, Jr., reported that the family had a fine time together at Lake Brownwood, and that the whole family was present. R. C. is at the half-way mark of a 30-day leave, and will report for reassignment at the Dallas headquarters.

### MR. AND MRS. LEWIS BUY CITY CAFE

Mr. and Mrs. K. V. Lewis have purchased the interest of B. O. Brame in the City Cafe and assumed charge Wednesday of last week. The Lewises are former owners of the cafe, having founded that business two years ago. The name will be changed back to Lewis Cafe.

They intend to remodel, repaint, and modernize the cafe. Their slogan is "A Friendly Place To Eat."

### MASONIC OFFICERS INSTALLED IN CLYDE

At regular meeting of Clyde Masonic Lodge 1056 A. F. & A. M., M. Y. Anderson was installed as worshipful master; S. S. McInnis, senior warden; Weldon Edwards, junior warden; E. G. Hampton, treasurer; Homer E. Swofford, secretary; the Rev. Jesse B. Levertette, chaplain; Luther Caldwell, S. D.; and Jno. T. Bailey, Jr. D. The Rev. J. Waid Griffin, was installing officer, and T. O. Dulaney, was installing marshal.

After the installation, a barbecue supper was served to lodge members and their wives, and members of Clyde Order of the Eastern Star.

### BARTONS ANNOUNCE DAUGHTER'S BIRTH

Capt. and Mrs. T. B. Barton announce the birth of a daughter, Thekla Ann, in Waco hospital, Saturday.

Captain Barton, who is an instructor at the Waco Army air field, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Barton of Clyde. His wife is the former Frances Bauleh, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tee Bauleh, live here.

Mrs. Bauleh left two weeks ago for a months visit with the Bartons in Waco.

## Callahan Pioneer Passes Away

Mrs. W. B. Jones a resident of this area for the past fifty years passed away Monday 1:25 p. m. at the home of her granddaughter, Mrs. Ernest L. Jones 825 Peach, Abilene.

Mrs. Jones was born in Alabama July 15, 1855 and came to Texas when she was about twenty years old, and was married to the late W. B. Jones September 18, 1879 in Brown County near Brownwood.

The couple lived in Gayson and Collins County before moving to Callahan County in 1885 settling near Moran. Ten years later they moved four and one half miles northwest of Baird and lived there and in Baird for the past fifty years.

Mrs. Jones' husband the late W. B. Jones was an old Confederate veteran, serving through the entire four years of the Civil War was wounded in battle and carried the bullet in his shoulder for the rest of his life. He was also a Texas Ranger and did much to protect the early settlers from the Indians.

Survivors are five sons and one daughter, W. H. of Fort Worth; Joe E. of Dallas; Louis G. of Abilene; J. Brice and George B. of Baird and Mrs. W. T. Cook of Hale Center; also one sister, Mrs. J. C. Subanks of Truscott, Texas; Twenty-five grandchildren and fifteen great grandchildren, one son, R. L. Jones of Abilene preceded her in death December 27, 1940.

Funeral was conducted at the First Methodist church in Baird at 4 p. m. Tuesday, with the Rev. Hamilton Wright officiating, assisted by the Rev. Ray Lee. Burial was in Ross cemetery with Wylie funeral home in charge.

### PETTY AND HARRIS RETURN FROM EUROPEAN FRONT

Private Orville O. Petty and Private First Class Willie F. Harris arrived at Brooke Convalescent Hospital, Brooke Hospital Center, Fort Sam Houston, Tex. June 24, 1945.

Petty is the husband of Mrs. Billie Rita Petty, Star Rt. 1, Baird, and son of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Petty, Rt. 6, Box 321, Fort Worth. He served overseas as a member of Company "K", 368th Infantry Regiment, 90th Division, in the European Theater of Operations, and is a trench-foot casualty.

Harris, husband of Mrs. Juanita Harris and son of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Harris, General Delivery, Baird, entered the Army September 25, 1942, and served as a member of the 6th Armored Division in the European Theater of Operations. He suffered shrapnel wounds in the head during action in France, for which he holds the Purple Heart.

### WILLIAM F. DAVIS DIES IN ROCKWOOD

William Francis Davis, 71, of Evant died Friday at Rockwood in the home of a daughter, Mrs. James Townsend.

Reveries were conducted by the Rev. W. J. Chambers and the Rev. J. W. West in the First Baptist church at Santa Anna Saturday at 4 p. m. Burial was in the Santa Anna cemetery.

Mr. Davis, who was born in Hamilton county September 18, 1873, is survived by his wife of Evant; three sons, Ray of Santa Anna, Clint of Clyde, and Alton of Baird; three daughters, Mrs. H. L. Turner of Baird, Mrs. Carroll Troutt of Evant, and Mrs. Townsend of Rockwood; 15 grandchildren, and two great grandchildren.

### T-SGT. HICKMAN MAKES TRIP TO CHICAGO

T-Sgt. Reaves Hickman arrived Friday from Love Field for a two day visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ace Hickman. Reaves recently received a notification from Washington to report to Chicago. He left Love Field Monday at 3 p. m.

His parents are anxiously awaiting word to hear what his new assignment will be.

Cliff Harville of Abilene was a business visitor here Tuesday.

## Stores to Close On the Fourth

It has been announced that Baird business houses will close their doors on July 4th, that Wednesday of next week, to observe the celebrated day. No big celebration has been arranged to take place on this Fourth of July, so it is taken for granted, in face of gasoline and tire rationing, that Baird people will stay close to home and spend the glorious Fourth quietly and pleasantly.

Shoppers are requested to do their trading at Baird stores early in the week to prevent any inconvenience to them by the stores being closed on Wednesday.

### DUNWODY BECOMES MASTER OF BAIRD MASONS

Roland Dunwody became worshipful master of Baird Lodge No. 522 A. F. & A. M. at the annual election of officers Saturday night. Clyde White is the retiring worshipful master. Others elected were W. P. Haley, senior warden; Gilbert Hinds junior warden; Howard Farmer, treasurer; J. Brice Jones, secretary; Virgil J. Haile, tiler. Appointive officers will be announced at a later date.

### Just 'Round About

As we walked up and down the street... Music of the yesteryears attracted us to White Auto Store where Eddie Konczak was setting up his new public address system. He states that he is going to serenade the folks that come to town on Saturdays, and if they rope off a section of the pavement and swing partners to an old fashioned square, he just won't be able to do anything about it but play the music... Glen Boyd was making arrangements for the stores in Baird to be closed July 4th... We saw W. R. Johnson of Opin on these streets... W. E. Smith here from his place at Eula handed the editor two dollars and said someone gave his wife a copy of the Star and it was so newsworthy they just had to subscribe... Roy Kendrick was in the crowd that came to commissioner's court Saturday... We met Henry Jones from Oplin... Ex-Sheriff J. A. Moore and his daughter-in-law, Mrs. J. L. Moore, were here from Cross Plains... Homer Simons of Abilene was visiting friends here... K. V. Lewis has re-entered business at his old stand—Lewis Cafe... Preston Chick, well known here, who has been in business at Abilene for some time, returns to open a dining room on main street... The more we walk up and down these streets, the better we like good old Baird. The more we see of Callahan people, the happier we are that we came here to make our home.

### OLD FASHIONED GARDEN CLUB MEETS TUESDAY

The Old Fashioned Garden Club will meet Tuesday, July 2, at the home of Mrs. B. O. Brame.

An interesting program consisting of Rollcall with Flower Tips or Legends; Nougats by Mrs. Herbert Short; Gardening by Pats by Mrs. Meador; Roses, Mrs. Anderson; and How To Care For Cut Flowers, Mrs. H. L. Ross, has been arranged.

The last meeting, which was at the home of Mrs. W. D. Boydston, was highlighted by a talk on Ebony by Mrs. Ace Hickman. Mrs. Hickman had on display souvenirs of ebony which her son, T-Sgt. Reaves Hickman had sent from British East Africa.

Mrs. T. W. Briscoe left Wednesday for Kerville to visit her parents.

Pvt. Cecil West, Jr., of Camp Wolters spent the weekend with relatives here.

Bill Ray of Fort Worth visited his daughter, Mrs. Eva Gray, and friends over the weekend.

**Tecumseh Topics**

Tersely Told, Typographically Ten dered, and Tolerably True.

By Mrs. Dolph Hodges

Hollis Windham arrived at Temple at the Veteran hospital June 2. He was shot in the leg, while serving in Germany by his buddy who mistook him for a German. He is slowly improving. His leg is almost paralyzed. His mother, Mrs. Callie Windham, and sister-in-law, Mrs. Cecil Windham, the former Sue Allen, visited him for several days, the first of the month.

Mr. and Mrs. Jute Whitley and daughter, Darlene, and Mrs. Allen S. Hodges and daughter, Carolyn, spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Whitley of Santa Anna. E. M. Whitley is a brother to J. M. Whitley of Clyde, Rt. 2.

Mrs. W. F. Isbell of Henderson is visiting Miss. Myrtle Boydston this week.

Mrs. Sallie Crawford received a letter from her son, Madison E. Crawford S 1-c, in the South Pacific this week in which he writes that he is well. This is that first word she has had from him in three months.

Mrs. Randall Watson and baby have returned to their home in Dallas after spending ten days in Clyde with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Watson. Randall Watson first class petty officer, is stationed in the Philippines.

**Hospital Notes**

Mrs. M. Weathers, a medical patient, is improving.

Sarann West is improving daily. Tom Williams continues to improve slowly.

Mrs. W. T. Hensley's condition is slightly better at this writing but seriously ill.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Flippin was dismissed June 26.

Baley Harold Kniffin was a medical patient for one day.

Mrs. N. E. McGee is getting along splendidly.

R. L. Griggs, Jr. entered the hospital June 26 for further treatment. He recently underwent major surgery at a Fort Worth hospital.

Mrs. D. J. Anderson was a surgical patient June 26. She is getting along nicely.

Mrs. R. D. Robbins, a medical patient for the past two days, is doing fine.

Morris L. Bishop entered the hospital as a medical patient the 24.

Mrs. L. W. Lovell of Clyde is much better and plans to leave for home soon.

Mrs. Leroy Keith of Clyde was able to be moved home June 25.

Emil Ringhoffer of Cross Plains underwent surgery June 24 and is resting well.

Roy Eugene Guffey, small son of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Guffey, of McCamey underwent a tonsilectomy June 21.

Clayton Meadows, Clyde, was dismissed June 22.

Mrs. J. N. Harris was a medical patient for one day.

Mrs. L. G. Barhill, a medical patient was admitted to the hospital June 27 for treatment.

Mrs. Alice E. Henderson of Cross Plains was dismissed June 23.

Mrs. Cecil West donated two dozen small glasses for patients use in the hospital.

**DON'T PARK**

Big trailer trucks have blocked traffic on Baird's main street a number of times of late. Another traffic hazard is created when cars are parked in the middle of the street from the bank corner to the courthouse. This is a portion of the highway and parking in the middle of the highway is not allowed. One of those over-loaded transport trucks with a green driver at the wheel is coming around the turn one of these days, and we'd hate to be caught parked in the big middle of this highway. If you can't guess what might happen, continue to leave your car parked there, and wait. It will happen sooner or later, and then you will understand.

**PINEAPPLES ARRIVE**

Three dozen pineapples were unloaded in Baird and Cross Plains last week. The truck load of pineapple was bought cooperatively by the people of Callahan county, and sponsored by the Marketing Committee of the Home Dem. Council. Callahan Countians were very pleased with the pooled order. There was only one bad pineapple in the entire load of fruit. Many remarked "It is the prettiest fruit I have ever seen. Not only was the order of very high quality, but an extreme saving to those who took part."

Club women who helped in the distribution were Mrs. N. H. Stephenson, Mrs. A. L. Barnes, Mrs. Fred Farmer, Mrs. Edmund Webb, and Mrs. Jim Barr.

These women spent the entire day helping unload the fruit and seeing that each person got the correct number of pineapple. The Marketing Committee wishes to thank the non-club members who help make the cooperative buying possible.

DOROTHY WILKERSON  
Co. Home Dem. Agent

**M-SGT. JACK BELL VISITS IN EULA**

M-Sgt. Jack W. Bell is spending a 45 day leave visiting his two sisters, Mrs. Geraldine Habenicht and daughter, Jo Francis and Mary Bell of Houston, his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Warren of Eula, and other relatives in Abilene, Hico, Ballinger, San Angelo and Houston.

The sergeant, in service since March 4, 1940, has been on duty at Barrington Field, Puerto Rico.

Mrs. Harold McBride and children, Shirley and Don, are visiting her mother, Mrs. Lee Anderson, in Winters.

**Cottonwood Chips**

Community Clatter Carefully Collected for Your Consideration.

By Mrs. S. B. Strahan

Mrs. J. R. Ramey received a radiogram from her son, Morris, one day last week. He has been a prisoner of the Japanese for about two years. He told his folks he had been receiving their letters and pictures. They are greatly elated over the news.

Mrs. G. N. Borden visited old friends here Friday. She was with LeRoy Butler now of Abilene. Mrs. Butler is the granddaughter of Mrs. Borden.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Varner received the heartening news that their son, Major Durwood Varner, now in Europe will visit them in August, enroute to the Pacific front.

Chief Petty Naval officer Grady Ramey, who is stationed in Illinois with Mrs. Ramey, will spend a two weeks furlough here with their families soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Neil and little son of Abilene visited her parents, the W. B. Varners, recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Varner and daughter of Abilene spent last Sunday with his parents.

B. H. Freeland of Baird and Parker Coppinger, a recently discharged veteran, visited here one day last week.

Miss Eunice Hembree of Scranton visited old friends over the weekend here.

Bobbie Smith went Friday to spend his vacation with his grandfather, T. N. Browder, of Grand Saline.

Mrs. Roy Clark and son, Gayland, of Littlefield, with Mrs. R. W. Spencer and daughter, Glenda Clair, and son, R. W. Jr., of Denver City are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Clifton.

Billie Coats went last Wednesday to San Antonio to be at the bedside of his father, George Coats, who is in a hospital there. Quite a few of the kindly neighboring men took their implements in and worked Billie's crop out while he was away.

Misses Clair and Marjory Jordan of Abilene spent the weekend with their grandparents, the Virgil Fultons.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Jennings and children of Everman are visiting her now.

Cpl. Don Brown is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Brown. He is stationed at Florida.

Pfc. Leonard H. Potter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Potter, is home on a thirty day furlough from Germany.

Mrs. Gordon Watson and daughter, Dixie Lyn, from Abilene are spending this week with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Watson in Clyde. Their granddaughter, Wanda Joy Watson, from Kermit, will spend a week in Clyde, then go to Oplin for a week to visit her other grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Gwin.

**Classified Ads**

Your old mattress fitted in layers and guaranteed. A card to Western Mattress Co. will bring truck to your door. San Angelo, Texas.

Carry your washing machines and have them repaired at J. T. Loper Laundry. We carry a full line of parts at all times for Maytag.

FOR SALE—Cabinet radio in A-1 condition, 9 tubes, a Frigidaire bottle cooler, one used electric iron, 4-ft. Frigidaire, G. E. Refrigerator, hot plate, air conditioner motors. Parsons Electric and Refrigeration Shop.

WANTED TO BUY—An old worn-out pool table. If you have such a pool table, call The Star office.

FOR SALE—5 room house with 2 acres land in Baird B. H. Freeland.

LOST—Small blond bobtail Cocker Spaniel, likely several miles south of town. Mrs. Eula Walker, Home Telephone office.1tp

A BROWN SADDLE HORSE—has been at my place a month. Owner please take him.—Andrew Johnson. 3tp

WANTED—Texas books. What have you? Write Frontier Times, Bandera, Texas.

BABY BUGGY FOR SALE. Mrs. O. C. Yarbrough. Phone 148.

PEACHES and PLUMS FOR SALE—See J. E. Faircloth, 3 1-2 miles north of Baird. 12tp.

PEACHES FOR SALE—Otto Schaffrina, 6 1/2 mi. Northwest Baird. 2tp.

MANGLE and DRIER FOR SALE. See J. T. Loper.

WANTED—50,000 Rats to kill with Ray's Rat Killer. Harmless to anything but Rats and Mice. Guaranteed at Boyd Feed and Grocery Stores. 8tp.

Railroad man wants cool sleeping room. Leave word at A. & P. Store. 2tp.

FOR SALE: International D35 truck in good shape with good tires or will trade for pickup.—Gene Adams. 1tp

Let me do your wet washes, roughdry and finish work. Mrs. M. C. Hughes at the Martin Camp. 1tp.

FOR SALE—My home in east Baird. Mrs. W. Y. Cleveland. 2tp.

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In loving memory of my sister, Alma Pearl Cook, who passed away seven years ago this June 15th.

The Death Angel came one bright summer day, and called our dear, Alma Pearl away.

He carried her on to the Heavenly shore, to rest with our loved ones who've gone on before.

She passed so peacefully into That sleep, from which none ever wake to weep.

So patient and kind, our sister dear, not a word of complaint did we ever hear.

Through her last short illness she planned each day, nice things for others to do, someday.

Kind friends tried to save her, but all in vain. God willed that she should not with us remain.

And though we all miss her sweet face and smile, we know it is only a little while 'Til we shall be called from this earth away. To live in that land of Eternal Day.

If we trust in our Heavenly Father above, we too, shall abide in that Home of Love.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to thank those who so kindly assisted us during the illness and death of our sister and aunt, Dinky Eastham. Words cannot express our appreciation for the assistance rendered, and for the beautiful flowers, words of sympathy and the special dinner prepared and served. May God's richest blessings rest upon each one of you.

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Mrs. Joe Oransley of Gorman, was a guest of Miss Wanda Brown over the weekend.

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**PICKARD WAGNER TO ATTEND TEXAS U.**

A-S Pickard Wagner was one of forty-one students of the Navy Unit at Arlington selected to be in N. R. O. T. C. training at the University of Texas. Upon completion of training, he will be commissioned an Ensign in the navy. Pickard spent from Saturday until Wednesday visiting his mother, Mrs. L. E. Wagner. He will go to Austin July 1 to begin his studies at the University.

**COURT FREES BUND MEMBERS**

The supreme Court of the United States, by a five to four decision, has reversed the conviction of twenty-four chiefs of the German-American Bund who were convicted in New York of conspiring to advise draft evasion.

The Court said that the evidence upon which convictions were based was insufficient and freed the men from sentences of five years.

While opinions may differ as to the reasoning and wisdom of the close decision by the Supreme Court, the case illustrates again the independence of American courts which have repeatedly declined to be swayed by popular sentiment in connection with the judicial consideration of issues.

Mrs. John McGowen is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. J. H. Bailey, in Clyde.

Harvey Bell of California is spending several days with his uncle, Walter Finch, and other relatives.

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By C. A. Neal

We regret to say that Uncle George Laker is very ill here at Dudley. They have called all the children. He is eighty-one. He has been a faithful farmer and stock raiser here at Dudley.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Campbell spent Sunday with the Prestons and Neals.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Stevenson of the Rio Grande Valley is visiting Charlie Yost and friends here. His mother, Mrs. Annie Stevenson, who has been very ill for some time, is going back with him to spend a few weeks. Think the trip will help her.

Ott Neal and Jim Laker are painting the Methodist Church at Potosi. They say that the house is so high up that the airplanes stop and chat with them.

Our Sunday School at Dudley is growing very nicely. We had forty-three present Sunday and hope there will be more to come.

Elizabeth McKinzie is visiting her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cutbirth, of Fort Worth.

Charlie Yost, a well known farmer and stock raiser of our community was at Preston's store buying his supply of groceries. When I talked with him he said he was worked to death seeing after his stock and trying to cut his grain. He said everything was going wrong with his combine and you know he is batching down there. He said he has so much to do. He is trying to get a start while he is young. Ha! Ha! I was amazed at him. He said one night he came in and the squirrels had eaten up his Gladiola biscuits and had taken his table cloth out on the porch. They are plentiful. Ha! Ha!

Recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. Y. Anderson and their daughter, Mrs. Frank Maywald in Clyde were Mrs. Maywald's mother-in-law, Mrs. B. A. Maywald, and Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Anderson and two sons from Pampa.

**Putnam Putterings**

Pertinent Pointers Purposely Prepared to Please and Perplex People.

By Miss La Verne Rutherford

Floyd Rushin of Chicago, Ill. is visiting his father, C. L. Rushin, whom he has not seen in twenty-one years.

Mrs. Arnold Pruet of Port Neches is spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Pruet.

Carlton Mathews left Wednesday for Calif. after spending the winter with his aunt, Mrs. Ruth Isenhower. He attended the Putnam School.

Cpl. Darrell and Doyal White are home on a thirty day furlough. They have just returned from the European Theater of war.

J. O. Taylor spent several days with his family this week. He returned to Brooklyn, N. Y. Thursday.

Mrs. Irma Ingram and family of Dallas are visiting Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Nettles.

Mrs. Earlie Hurst left Thursday for Electra where she will spend three or four weeks with her son and daughter.

Miss Mamie Weeks returned to Beaumont Saturday after spending two weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Sample of Orange returned home after spending two weeks in Putnam.

Miss Fredlyn Cook is spending a few days with her aunt, Mrs. C. K. Peek in Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Coffee of Cottonwood spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Davis.

Mrs. Belva Collins of Abilene spent several days in Clyde last week with her sister, Mrs. M. M. Woodward, and Mr. Woodward.

Mrs. Joe South and son, Joe Donald have returned to Clyde from a four months stay in Tacoma, Wash., with Cpl. Joe South. Cpl. South sailed recently, with an engineering construction battalion. Mrs. South and son will live in Clyde.

**WATSON AWARDED PRESIDENTIAL CITATION**

Headquarters Third Armored Division: May 2, 1945—First Battalion Headquarters of the 36th Armored Infantry Regiment has announced from "Somewhere Inside Germany" that Watson, Otis S. T/5 son of W. S. Watson, Star Route Baird has been awarded the Presidential Citation Ribbon for outstanding service in combat against the enemy in Germany.

To add to the number of Battle "First" already credited to the First Battalion, 36th Armored Infantry Regiment of the Third Armored "Spearhead" Division, this veteran armored infantry unit under the Command of Lt. Col. William R. Orr, Albuquerque, New Mexico, recently became the first Battalion within the Division to receive a Presidential Citation.

The First Battalion was cited for outstanding performance of duty in action against the enemy in the engagement in September 1944 which has already entered the pages of Division history and gave the Third Armored Division the distinguished honor of being the first Allied Unit to breach the Siegfried Line and helped to give the Division its now famous name, "Spearhead."

The citation reads: "The 1st Battalion, 36th Armored Infantry Regiment is cited for outstanding performance of duty in action against the enemy in Germany during the period 12 to 22 September 1944. The 1st Battalion, 36th Armored Infantry Regiment, on 12 September 1944 was assigned the mission of supporting an armored task force in its drive to smash the defenses of the Siegfried Line. Anti-tank obstacles retarded the progress of armor, and the battalion was committed to overrun strongly fortified defensive positions overlooking the obstacles. In two days of fierce fighting against a determined enemy the 1st Battalion, 36th Armored Infantry Regiment succeeded in overpowering enemy defenses and penetrating the first fortified belt of the "West Wall." Over difficult terrain overlooking the second fortified belt this fighting force then attacked to force a bridgehead through the second belt of dragon's teeth. Vigorous hostile action was counterbalanced by an insuperable urge to close with and destroy the enemy wherever found. Against tremendous odds the Battalion succeeded in establishing a bridgehead for three days; repulsed vigorous enemy counterattacks launched against it in an effort to break the battalion's foothold north of the dragon's teeth on critical terrain. On 18 September 1944, after infantry elements on the left and right failed to advance, the 1st Battalion was given the vital mission of withdrawing from its salient and attacking the strongly fortified town of Munsterousch. Its fighting spirit undimmed, the 1st Battalion withdrew under pressure, launched the assault. The enemy poured deadly fire into its ranks inflicting severe losses on the attackers. The enemy fought savagely which often resulted in hand-to-hand combat. Despite enormous losses incurred in this offensive the 1st Battalion allowed the enemy no respite. Defending the town stubbornly the enemy employed tank, mortar, artillery, and automatic weapons fire and fanatical held their positions until either killed or overpowered by unrelenting pressure. During the period 12-22 September 1944 the 1st Battalion demonstrated extraordinary heroism, exhibited gallantry, determination and esprit de corps in overcoming unusually difficult and hazardous conditions. The unconquerable spirit displayed by the 1st Battalion, 36th Armored Infantry Regiment in attack missions against important objectives made possible more deadly blows against the enemy on German soil."

Mrs. C. H. Crow of Junction was a recent guest of her sister, Mrs. J. H. Bailey, in Clyde.

Bobby Smith, who has been living with Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Banta, left for Grand Saline, where he will be met by his grandfather, T. N. Brower, of Alba, Texas. He left Friday via T. & P. and is due to arrive, Saturday.



**THE MODEL**

Another reason for becoming a Christian is that in so doing one becomes a member of Christ's body, the grandest institution on earth, purchased by the blood of Christ, and the one and only one He promises to save. (Acts 20:28; Eph. 5:23). Membership in that body and salvation come to the baptized believer simultaneously. The same process that saves makes one a member of the church. The often heard expression, "joining the church of your choice," or "join the church" are foreign to the Bible. How can one trust God to save without trusting Him to add him to the church He promises to save? (Acts 2:47).

The Lord's church includes all the saved everywhere, and only the saved in any locality. Strictly speaking, the church has no name, and belongs to the Lord is referred to as the "church of the Lord" the "church of God" "the churches of Christ," etc. Each member is a Christian. (Acts 11:26). Scripturally, He wears no name such as men have designated.

Since we are to follow the pattern of the New Testament church, it will be well to get a picture of it in our minds. The Lord is its only head. (Eph. 1:22, 23; 4:15). From Eph 4, we learn that the apostles were first "set in." They have no successors; their work is to remain through time. Next are the prophets who have ceased to be in the church since the completion of "all things that pertain to life and godliness." Then there were elders who were also called pastors, bishops, overseers, shepherds, and presbytery. All these were assisted by godly men called deacons in the temporal affairs of the church; all these were inspired at first and possessed spiritual gifts to confirm, or make credible the "spoken word." Since the completion of the Bible, the "perfect law of liberty," inspiration and supernatural confirmation of testimony are not needed and have ceased. (1 Cor. 13:8-13; James 1:25; 2 Tim. 3:16-17). All who please God now must study. (2 Tim. 2:15).

Each congregation of the churches of Christ is independent of all others, as at the beginning; and, being under the direct sovereignty of the Son of God, repudiates all elaborate ecclesiastical machinery. The church of Christ is the exact replica of the early church, its model, both in faith and in practice. You are cordially invited to attend the services of the Church of Christ and to investigate thoroughly—you are invited to "come and see." You will find the counterpart of the Old Jerusalem Church. "The churches of Christ salute you."

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**AMONG TOP TEACHERS**

T-Sgt. Jack Clemer, who returned to Clyde in October 1944, after completing his combat missions with the Eighth Air Force in England, is among 11 enlisted men leading their departments in teaching performance at Laredo Army Air Base.

Leading instructors were chosen on the basis of rating on a standard scale by co-ordination department critics.

Sergeant Clemer has been instructing in Laredo since November of last year. He is the son of Mrs. R. C. Clemer, Clyde.

**COUNTY WOMEN PLAN FOR BIG JULY SALE**

Callahan County club women made plans for their July sale at the Saturday Council meeting. On the third Saturday of the month, clubs all over the county plan to set up booths in a vacant downtown building. The sale will consist largely of feed sack items. However, other handwork and cooked food will be sold.

Half of the proceeds from the sale will go to Council, while the remainder will go to the individual clubs. There will be cash awards made to the three booths running the highest sales. The committee in charge are Mrs. Jim Barr, Cross Plains, Mrs. Fred Farmer, Eula, Mrs. Frank Monroe, Clyde.

Mrs. Wesley Wagley, treasurer of Council gave the financial report which indicated that a number of clubs had not yet paid their contribution to council. Deep Creek club was in charge of entertainment and they had as their guest, Miss Jackie Gilliland who gave an accordion solo.

After adjournment of Council, club women looked over the exhibit set up by Enterprise Home Demonstration Club. The exhibit covered the entire front of the Court room, and consisted mainly of feed sack dresses, pillow cases, quilts, crochet work, hooped rugs, dolls and doll furniture, pictures, etc.

**DOROTHY WILKERSON**  
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Mrs. Dora Youngblood of Abilene attended the funeral of Miss Dinky Eastham Thursday.

Bob Warren spent Saturday and Sunday in Arlington visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Luke.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fleming and children, Jane Ann and Fred Jr., from Malaga, N. M., are visiting his mother, Mrs. Kate Shelton, in Clyde this week.

Mrs. H. B. Terry and daughter, Rilla Frances, have returned to Clyde from a week's visit with her daughter, Mrs. T. J. Higgs, in Fort Worth.



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## OUR PRISONERS-OF-WAR

When victory came in Europe, American armies held 2,852,000 German prisoners, some of whom are being discharged and sent home under a plan to free miners, farmers, transport workers, women prisoners and men over fifty years of age not suspected of war crimes.

SS troops are being held for investigation and some 600,000 of the prisoners will be retained as laborers. One-third of this number will be delivered to the French for labor in France and something like 150,000 prisoners will be turned over to the British forces of occupation.

Colonel Robert J. Gill, directing our Prisoner-of-War affairs in Europe, says that more than 300,000 were laboring for us prior to V-E Day and that they saved millions of dollars, millions of man-hours and released thousands of American troops for combat duty.

The Colonel says that reports that German prisoners are receiving "soft treatment" are without the "slightest foundation." He points out that prisoners of war are paid at the rate of eighty cents a day, but will get no cash until Germany foots the bill. The pay for officers started at \$20. a month for lieutenants and runs to \$40. for field marshals. Incidentally, the salary goes on the books and will be paid, if at all, by Germany, under the provisions of the Geneva Convention.

## OUTSTANDING PRODUCTION

The production achieved by American farmers, under the impetus of wartime necessity, is an outstanding performance which is not appreciated by most Americans.

For the two war years, 1942 and 1943, farm production was almost fifty per cent greater than in 1917 and 1918. The same acreage was involved in the agricultural operations of the nation but 4,000,000 fewer persons lived on the farms.

One of the outstanding gains was scored in the production of corn. The nation's corn belt in 1943 equalled its all-time production record but with 6,500,000 fewer acres planted. This was largely due to hybrid corn, developed by the personal research of Henry A. Wallace before he became a member of President Roosevelt's cabinet.

The increased production of American farms, despite fewer persons working, reflected the gradual mechanization of agriculture. The process will continue and, in fact, is only now getting under way in regard to cotton.

## NIMITZ REFUTES LAWRENCE

In a special press conference, the first of its kind ever held at his headquarters, Admiral Nimitz recently defended military operations on Okinawa, conducted by Lt. General Simon Bolivar Buckner, Jr., commander of the Tenth Army.

The Fleet Admiral took cognizance of criticism made by David Lawrence, veteran Washington writer, who charged that Army commanders failed to take air bases fast enough so that the Navy could go about landing men and supplies. The Admiral said that Lawrence must have gotten his information from "somebody with an axe to grind" and certainly from sources not having the best interest of the nation in mind.

The people of this country can accept the word of Admiral Nimitz, we believe, in preference to that of David Lawrence, or any other columnist or commentator who proclaims sensational charges. While we would not be surprised by any line of argument advanced by Lawrence in connection with politics or governmental affairs in general, we are slightly amazed that he would give publicity to charges that, under no circumstances, can work to the benefit of the nation.

The incident, in our opinion, illustrates the current eagerness of columnists and commentators to produce sensations, to reveal the "unknown" and to persuade the public generally that they possess intuitive knowledge and prophetic vision. The process seems to please partisans, produces large incomes for publicists and, we presume, sells newspapers and periodicals and time on the air. In the long run, however, it will not enhance of newspapers.

Do you know any pacifists ready to make a parachute descent into Japan to preach peace?

It is difficult to understand Japanese civilization; they behead missionaries as well as soldiers.

We are very much impressed with the amount of useless work that is being done in the world.

Labor unions often make serious mistakes; in this respect they are exactly like the big shot executives.

## THE JAPANESE WILL BREAK

The losses suffered by our fighting forces on Okinawa, and other Japanese islands in the Pacific, have been taken to "portend terrific casualties" if it becomes necessary to invade and conquer the main islands of Japan.

It is readily apparent, from the behavior of Japanese soldiers on the islands assailed, that the fighting forces of Emperor Hirohito are ready to die for their country rather than be captured, and that our triumph will be possible only when the defenders of the home islands have been killed in stupendous numbers.

This does not mean, in our opinion, that the casualties to be expected in an invasion of Japan proper will be prohibitive. The Japanese soldiers, cut off and isolated on island bastions, fought to the last in a delaying action, designed to retard our advance as long as possible. The only choice available to them has been death or surrender because no reinforcements could arrive from Japan and there was no prospect whatever of successful evacuation.

In connection with the dire predictions of enormous losses that are now being retailed throughout the country in anticipation of defeating Japan, it is well to recall the similar predictions that were made prior to the invasion of France.

Readers will recall that the so-called experts, both military and journalistic, predicted enormous losses to establish a beachhead, that is would mean thousands of casualties to break out of Normandy, untold losses to get through the Westwall, another holocaust to cross the Rhine and, thereafter, thousands upon thousands of casualties to stamp out the bitter-end, guerilla, underground warfare of the Hitlerites.

Happily, the predictions did not materialize. The German Army upon its surrender, contained millions of fighting men. The surrender did not occur because of any loss of morale, except that occasioned by the military plight of the Nazi. The truth of the matter is that the German armies were decisively defeated. Anglo-American and Russian victories placed the Nazi armies in a precarious position where further resistance would mean, not a chance of success, but only enormous casualties.

No man can say what will happen in our warfare with the Japanese. Certainly, the defeat of Japan is clearly indicated. For a time, like the Germans, the Japanese will continue to fight with disregard of life. Eventually, however, when the position becomes utterly hopeless, as it will, there is a distinct chance that the Japanese soldiers like the fighting men of other nations, will recognize the inevitable.

The Japanese will break someday, but no one knows when. In the meantime, we can hasten the end by increasing the pressure upon the Sons of Heaven.

## NAZI WERE WITHIN 6 MONTHS

Ordnance experts assert that the Germans were within six months of developing a rocket bomb which might have been accurate enough to launch a devastating attack upon American cities.

Reports also indicate that the experts have concluded that the bombing of V-1 bases in northwestern Europe prevented a massive assault upon London. Moreover, the blasting of a Baltic experimental plant killed many Nazi experts and retarded their experimental work for many weeks.

It should be understood that the estimates are based on the theoretical conclusions of the Germans, who believed that they could eventually produce a rocket bomb that would travel from the British Isles to Japan. Certainly the Nazi had an amazing rocket assembly plant, eight hundred feet underground, in the mountains near Norhausen which was operated by 12,000 slave workers. The plant was burrowed out of limestone, with twenty-five miles of railroad running through the large tunnels.

The experts may be correct in their conclusions but it is just as well to take such stories with an ounce of precaution.

## COLONEL BURIES MARINE SON

From the battle-scarred island of Okinawa comes the picture of a gray-haired Colonel, praying over the body of a fallen American soldier, one of the privates in his own regiment.

It is the picture of Col. Francis I. Fenton, of California, and under the flag of his country lies the body of his son, 19 years of age, who died while fighting the Japs on that island bastion.

The colonel would be sarcastically denominated a "brass-hat" by our epithet-throwing columnists. He knows the futility of warfare and the price that brave men pay in the service of their country. He also knows, no doubt, that sometimes the price is excessive because of sentimental pacifists who believe not in preparedness.

We think the American people can take some pride in the attitude of most officers toward the welfare of men under their command. There is abundant evidence that the lives of American fighting men have been the great concern of our military and naval leaders, many of whom have sons in active service.

## FINLAND

Finland is still keeping up her reputation as a prompt settler of her obligations. On June 15th, the U. S. Treasury Department received \$168,054.74, representing the entire amount due from Finland in loan payments as of that date.

## LEND-LEASE

Lend-Lease materials furnished to Australia up to April 30, 1945, amounted to \$1,075,321,000, according to the Foreign Economic Administration. In reverse lend-lease aid, Australia made available to the United States armed forces goods and services valued at \$967,758,000 up to January 1.

## GASOLINE

Civilians will receive a total of 1,404,000 barrels of gasoline daily during the months of July, August and September, according to an announcement by the Petroleum Administration for War. This figure covers the regular allocation of 1,264,000,000 to meet rationed civilian needs and an additional 140,000 barrels daily to cover increased allotments to A and B-card drivers.

## ALUMINUM

Because of a mounting stockpile of Aluminum, the WPB has begun releasing large quantities of the metal for civilian uses ahead of schedule. This will be welcome news to the housewives of the nation who are in need of necessary household equipment, particularly cooking utensils.

## SUGAR

An allocation of 1,380,000 tons of sugar for civilian use for the third quarter of this year, July-September, is 19,999 tons below the allotment for the present quarter. Industrial users will get 27 1-2 per cent less sugar during the third quarter.



—Photo Courtesy Perry-Morss Seed Co.

The war is not yet won on the food front! There is real need that men, women and children all over the country again take up the rake and hoe to help produce the nation's vegetable supply. Uncle Sam is asking for 20,000,000 better gardens this coming season.

How to improve on last year's results? Careful preparation of the soil comes first. Every time a garden plot is properly spaded or plowed to the right depth, and the top soil raked fine and loose, the general condition is made more favorable for plant growth. A too-stiff soil can be made more workable by the addition of sand or peat moss. A complete fertilizer in the proper quantity, no matter what the kind of soil, will replace in your garden the plant food used by last year's crops.

You can plan a better balanced garden than ever before. If the family is tired of "beans, beans, beans!" cut down the number of rows; plant more of some vegetable they can't get enough of. If, last year, all the radishes were ready for the table at the same time so that many of them grew old and pithy before they could be eaten, try sowing a short row at a time, with a week between plantings. Do the same with beets and carrots, greens and sweet corn. By a little preliminary planning, you can become a master hand at progressive gardening.

If you planted an unsatisfactory

variety of a certain vegetable, look for one better suited to your garden conditions. Ask your seed dealer to suggest varieties best for home gardens in your locality.

Plan to cultivate more often than last year, not only to keep down weeds but to conserve soil moisture, especially in hot dry weather. It's a smart idea to have insect spray or dust on hand early in the season to smash the pests before they take over and destroy precious plants. Be sure to thin all seedlings so that they have plenty of room to grow; root crops are especially important. If artificial watering is needed during a dry spell, soak the soil for at least a foot down about once a week instead of sprinkling every day.

A Victory Garden is only as good as its vegetables when used in their prime. Gather them for the table, for canning, for quick freezing, or for storing when they have reached the stage of proper size, greatest tenderness, and most delicious flavor.

# Baird Churches

**FIRST METHODIST CHURCH**  
Church school 10:00 a. m.  
Morning worship 11:00 a. m.  
M. Y. F. Service 7:15 p. m.  
Evening Service 8:30 P. M.  
M. Y. F. recreational hour following evening preaching service.  
Choir practice every Thursday evening 7:30 p. m.  
W. S. C. C. Monday 3:00 p. m.  
The church with a welcome and place for everyone.  
Come, be in your place for every service.

Pastor

**CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Lloyd Connel, Minister

Bibleclasses, 10:00 A. M. Come and 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.

You are welcome at all services.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
A. A. Davis, Pastor

B. Thompson, S. S. Supt.  
Preaching services 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. each Sunday  
Sunday School, 10 a. m.  
B. T. U. 7 p. m.  
W. M. S., Monday, 3:30 p. m.

Church Conference, each first Wednesday night.  
General public invited to all services.

**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
Rev. S. P. Collins, Pastor

Preaching services 11 a. m. and 8:45 p. m. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Sundays. Sunday School, 10 a. m.  
N. M. George, Superintendent.  
Ladies Meeting, Monday 3 p. m., Church.  
General public invited to all services.



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LOOK Through the Star this week, and read the advertisements of local firms. You may be sure that Baird merchants want your trade now and after the war as well. Patronize the firm that appreciates your business enough to let you in on shipments of merchandise that will help you so much in these war-torn days.

Brother Baird Merchant: If you do not think the folks read every line of The Star each week, try putting something in the paper about them that they might not like and sign your name to it. Your mind might be changed in a pretty big hurry about the force of Star advertising. Sure, they read it, just like you are now doing. Just think, if this were your ad, they would be reading it, too. How's about it?

**POINT DISCHARGE TO SERGEANT ROACH**

M-Sgt. J. B. Roach arrived in Clyde Monday after two years and eight days overseas. With the 45th Infantry division, Roach trained at Camp Barkeley, going with the division overseas. He landed in North Africa, where he spent five days, then moved on to Sicily, taking part in the Sicily and Italy campaigns until he received injuries. Sergeant Roach was sent back to North Africa, for hospitalization for several months. Afterwards he was transferred from the infantry to the quarter-master corps, and sent to Italy, where he remained until he was sent back to the United States.

Sergeant Roach was awarded the Purple Heart. He returned to the States from Pisa, Italy, to Casa Blanca, to Miami, Fla., and by troop train to Ft. Houston, where he was given a discharge, having 106 points.

Mrs. Roach the former Hazel Peek, and their two year old son, Dennis, have made their home in Clyde with her father, C. M. Peek, while Sergeant Roach has been overseas.

Sergeant and Mrs. Roach and Dennis will go this weekend to Konawa, Okla., to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Roach.

Mrs. Eula Walker is leaving Saturday to spend the weekend with her daughter, Mrs. B. C. Stewart, in Fort Worth.

Mrs. Shine Bounds and two daughters from Ft. Davis are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Appleton, in Clyde.

**ESTRAY NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that Clyde T. Floyd, County Commissioner of Precinct No. 2 of Callahan County, Texas has this day legally estrayed the following animal:

One Black Horse, about 5 years old, with branded circle on right hip and 7 branded on left shoulder.

Said animal has been running at large on the B. C. Christman place about 10 miles south of Baird, Texas.

Said estray will be sold for the cash to the highest bidder at the B. C. Christman place about 10 miles south of Baird, Texas on the 2 day of July A. D. 1945, between the hours of 1:00 P. M. and 3:00 P. M.

Given under my hand and seal of Office this 24th day of May A. D. 1945.

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Clerk of the County Court,  
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**LT. AND MRS. JONES VISIT RELATIVES**

Lt. and Mrs. W. L. Jones of Austin arrived here Friday to spend two weeks visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Brice Jones and Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Chriaman. Lt. Jones received his wings November 20, 1944 at Victoria, and has been stationed at Hondo and Waco. He has been at Bergston Field, Austin six months, where he is flying C-46's.

**MRS. B. E. ALVORD VISITS HERE**

Mrs. B. E. Alvord and son, Bill, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. N. M. George and Mrs. Ada C. Carmichael.

Mrs. Alvord has three members of her family in the service of our country. A son, Cadet Bob Alvord is at the Corpus Christi Naval Station, and another son, Fred Alvord, S 2-c R. D. M. is stationed at Pearl Harbor. Her husband, Capt. Boyce E. Alvord, is studying B-29's at Bowen Air Craft School. After completion of this course, Capt. and Mrs. Alvord will return to Albuquerque, N. M.

Capt. Alvord, a flying officer, will be Maintenance and Supply Officer at Kirtland Field.

He was instructor at Randolph Field for a time and was stationed at Ellington Field where he was head of A. T. C. Group and was Deputy for Supply and Maintenance.

**LOPERS VISIT**

J. T. Loper visited his son, Cpl. Aubrey, in Corpus Christi during the weekend. Mr. Loper and Aubrey visited Mrs. Horace Anderson and Miss Cubelle Loper in Austin Sunday. They all talked to Mrs. Loper by telephone Sunday. Also Sgt. Lee Loper called his mother the same afternoon from Washington, D. C.

**PRESBYTERIAN LADIES MEET**

Mrs. Joe Slater and Mrs. Joe McGowen were hostesses to the Presbyterian Ladies Monday afternoon when they met at the home of Mrs. Slater. A prayer was given by Mrs. V. F. Jones and Mrs. Lee Estes led the devotional. Mrs. James Asbury gave an illustrated talk on the tabernacle, which was inspiring and beneficial. Prayers were offered for world peace.

During the social hour delicious refreshments were served to fifteen members and one guest, Mrs. Livingston.

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**16 MISSIONS FLOWN IN PACIFIC THEATER**

First Lt. George Howard Price, pilot of a Liberator B-24, already has 16 missions to his credit in the Pacific. He is based in the Netherlands East Indies.

Lieutenant Price has been in service three and one-half years and overseas five months. He took his training at San Antonio, Stamford, Enid, Okla., and Frederick, Okla., graduating from the field there November 3, 1943.

He has flown missions over Borneo, the Philippines and the Archipelago.

Lieutenant Price is the son of Mrs. Alonzo Stroud, 701 North 21st, Abilene. His wife is making her home in Abilene.

A graduate of Abilene high school, he was in the wholesale meat business before he entered service.

Lt. Price is a nephew of Spencer Price of this place.

**SUMMER GROUP PROJECT FOR H. E. STUDENTS**

Sixteen Home Economics students have been practicing in a summer group project for the last five weeks. They have painted the interior of the lunch room white and it is quite an improvement over the dark gray which it had previously been painted. They have also made canvas curtains for all the lunchroom's eighteen windows, so it really should be a more pleasant place for the youngsters to eat next school term. The new cafe stove which has been ordered for the lunchroom is expected before school starts.

There are approximately thirty girls who are taking summer project work under the supervision of Miss Evelyn Frazier, Home Economics teacher. Quite a few girls live out from town and have been unable to assist in the lunchroom project. If the girls complete one hundred hours of satisfactory work during the summer they will be awarded one-half credit to be added to their school credits.

On June 20 the girls who had been assisting with the lunchroom project went to Cisco to swim, skate, and picnic. They were accompanied by Mrs. Margie Ray, Mrs. Hord, Mrs. Warren, Mrs. Tom West, and Miss Evelyn Frazier.

**OPLIN VISITORS**

Mr. and Mrs. John Roberson, formerly of Oplin, arrived June 17 from San Antonio for a visit with Mrs. Roberson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Atwood, and Mr. Roberson's brothers, Carl and Rob Roberson, in Oplin. They left Monday for San Angelo, where they will visit Mr. Roberson's sisters, Mrs. H. B. Straley and Mrs. Lee Gotcher, before returning home.

Their son, Jerrod Vaughan Roberson, F 1-c, wrote from Jacksonville, Fla., that he is liking things fine at his new location. He recently moved to Jacksonville from Norfolk, Va. where he was stationed thirteen months.

**NCO BOLTS SEEKING SOFTBALL GAMES**

ARMY AIR FIELD, Abilene, Texas.—The NCO Bolts, strong exhibition softball team from this busy and leading 2AF West Texas combat crew training station for single engine fighter pilots, are seeking home-and-home games with area clubs.

Team managers interesting in arranging for contests are asked to write S-Sgt. Leroy Fry, team manager, care of the Athletic Department, Abilene Army Air Field. The Bolts hold an impressive record against leading teams in this area.

Mrs. Lula Condon, Mrs. Claude Tucker and daughter, Betty Claudine, of Cisco were visitors here recently.

**TRUMAN H. CUMMINGS MAY BE HOME SOON**

Pfc. Truman H. Cummings, who has spent thirteen months overseas, recently wrote his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cummings from Czechoslovakia, June 15, that he might be coming home soon. Pfc. Cummings has seventy-five points to his credit. Among his honors are a combat badge, five battle stars, and the Presidential Citation.

The letter, in part, follows:

"I am sorry I haven't written in so long a time, but have been so busy since V Day, just haven't had much time to write. How is everyone at home? I hope everyone at home was as happy as we were here when the war ended. Although Japan is to finish, I don't think it will last long.

I have good news, as I am supposed to arrive in the good old U. S. A. by July 15. All we have to do now is wait for a ship to bring us back, as you know we are ready as soon as the ship is here. I will have thirty days or not over sixty, and then I will train for the South Pacific, but don't worry about me as God has taken me through this war. So I feel lucky. See what praying will do for a fellow?

Mom, you remember I wrote a letter home while I was in Oregon, wondering what I would see by the time I was twenty? Well, I am twenty, and I have seen plenty, good and bad. Some things a man would not care to see.

You were telling me about some people I know in Baird dying. I am sorry for their folks, but dying at home, a normal death, is lucky. I have seen so many horrible deaths and men dying hard, that having a normal death is no more than the wind blowing, because they are lucky.

By the way, I am over here in Czechoslovakia. This is a good place, lots of pretty girls, but none speak English.

I am sending you some pictures of my trucks, two of them. The first one, with the big gun on top, was hit three times by a shrapnel. It was full of bullet holes, but it didn't get me. I sure was lucky again.

I can tell where I have been now. I hit the beach of France on D Day. I was in the battles of Brest, Paris, through Belgium, Luxembourg, Germany, crossed the Rhine all along with the First Army. As you know I was in Ireland, Scotland and Wales."

Mr. and Mrs. Cummings have another son, W. M. Cummings S 2-c, in the service. He is a barber in the U. S. C. G. at New York.

**PILOT, WHO HID IN NAZI CELLAR, AT ABILENE**

First Lt. Jerry McDonald, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry McDonald of Rowden who spent over ten months in Italy as a pilot of a P-47 until he bailed out at 22,000 feet, and lived for weeks in the same "castle" with Germans who didn't know he was there, is now at the Abilene Air Base as runway control.

He has a Purple Heart for injuries received to arms and legs when he landed behind the German lines. In the basement of a large building whose upper stories were occupied by a German staff, McDonald lived and was fed by a friendly Italian. Chances of being found grew daily and the lines of anxiety became deep in the face of the lieutenant.

But one day a "friendly plane" soared overhead, dropped a bomb. The castle and Germans went into smithereens. The friendly Italian almost gave up hope, but digging beneath the debris, McDonald was unearthed, little the worse for the ordeal. The German officers were killed.

McDonald has been in Abilene about a month. After 10 months in Italy he landed back in the states November 17, last year.

Mrs. Charles Keilty of Dallas is visiting her father, B. L. Boydston and her sister, Mrs. B. I. Russell, Jr.

**CISCO WAC IN FRANCE**

St. Germain - En - Laye, France —In the shadow of a picturesque 11th century chateau once occupied by Louis the Fourteenth, Pfc. John Ha Clark of Cisco, Texas, and hundreds of her sister WAC soldiers passed in review to climax an impressive ceremony celebrating the third anniversary of the Women's Army Corps.

Passing the reviewing stand, Pfc. Clark turned "eyes right" to Gen. Carl Spaatz, commanding general of the U. S. strategic air forces in Europe, who took the salute. Ranged in the background were hundreds of French civilians, who were seeing American women soldiers on parade for the first time. Flags of the United Nations snapped in the afternoon sun, and American aircraft wheeled overhead to round out the colorful scene.

Pfc. Clark is a Teletype operator at the air technical service command headquarters. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Clark of Cisco, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark have two sons in the service, Cpl. James Clark at Morrison Field, Fla. and Jesse Joe Clark, S 2-c in the western Pacific on the U. S. S. Lipan.

**GUNNER ON B-24 VISITS IN ABILENE**

S-Sgt. Grady Jennings, nephew of Mrs. A. W. Gibson and grandson of Mrs. R. W. Cook of Route one, is home on a thirty day leave with his mother Mrs. E. M. Jennings and brother Bernie at 504 Elm Street, Abilene.

After serving ten months in the European theater of operations and completing 31 missions, Sgt. Jennings says it is wonderful to be home.

Gunner on a B-24 Liberator, based in Italy with the 15th Air Force, Sgt. Jennings holds the Presidential Citation, the Air Medal with three oak leaf clusters, European theater ribbon with three bronze stars, the Pre-Pearl Harbor ribbon and the crew-member wings.

Enlisting in the cavalry at the age of fifteen, Jennings trained at Fort Bliss and Ft. Riley. After the bombing of Pearl Harbor he was discharged because of his age, but a few months later enlisted in the Army Air Corps. He trained at various bases in the states and received his wings at Tyndall Field Florida in May 1944 and went overseas in August of 1944.

On July 16th Sgt. Jennings will report to California for new assignment.

Mrs. R. H. Roach of Amarillo and her little granddaughter, Sasha Sue Blair, of Albuquerque N. M. are visiting their brother and uncle, Ace Hickman, and family.

Mrs. Alfred Newman and children and Mrs. Joe Box of Abilene spent Wednesday visiting their mother, Mrs. W. Y. Cleveland, and their sister, Mrs. E. T. McBride.

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**S. H. GILLILAND GETS PRIZE**

S. H. Gilliland of Coleman received first prize Sunday for being the oldest Dad at church. He is eighty-six and one-half years young. The prize was a nice tie, of which Mr. Gilliland is very proud.

He plans to visit his many friends here sometime during the summer. Mr. Gilliland also renewed his subscription to the paper, "For some more good reading from the Old Star."

—vj—

Mrs. Ollie Crofton and son, Robert, of Lawn were visiting relatives in Baird Sunday afternoon.

—vj—

Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Little of Putnam, accompanied by Mrs. O. M. Little and little son Morgan of south Texas were visitors here Saturday.

—vj—

Mrs. Elva Smith left Saturday for Texas City where she will visit several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Purvis, and other relatives.

**MRS. EDWARDS RETURNS FROM VACATION**

Mrs. Myrtle Edwards and daughter, Sue, returned home Tuesday after a vacation spent at Lockney, where they visited Mrs. Edwards' sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Stevenson. Mrs. Edwards will resume duties at the U. S. O. July 1, after a two weeks vacation. Mrs. Lanham Falls has been in charge at U. S. O. during Mrs. Edwards' vacation.

—vj—

Mrs. Bob Miller and children, Bob, Jr., and June, from Iraan, are at Clyde for a two weeks visit with Mrs. Miller's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Bouchette.

—vj—

Mrs. H. E. Sanders of Burk Burnett spent a few days visiting her daughter, Mrs. Bruce Brown. Mary Brown returned home with her for a visit.

—vj—

Jimmy Allman, eleven year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Allman of Albany is recovering nicely from a tonsillectomy at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Allman.

**WACKY ACTOR GETS WHACKED ON HEAD**

Four stitches in the scalp of Wilbur Peterson testify to what that member of the Vagabonds suffers for his art.

The head injury was sustained on set of Columbia Pictures' "Tahiti Nights," South Seas musical, in which The Vagabonds are currently appearing at the Plaza Theatre, Saturday night Owl show.

In a huge tank, Peterson was supposed to be transporting his huge bass fiddle in a small native canoe which overbore and dumps its human and musical cargo into the water. During the spill, the bass fiddle was washed with force by a wave against Peterson's head, causing a deep gash.

He was pulled out and rushed to the studio hospital where his scalp was stitched. The injury was not considered serious enough to keep the musical actor from continuing in the picture after a rest of a day or two.

But if Wilbur seems even zanier than ever, don't blame his wackiness on the whack on the head. He claims he had nothing to do with it. He's just giving vent to his art.

—vj—

Visitors in the home of Mrs. A. D. Adams in Clyde are her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Prew and children of Fort Worth.

—vj—

Rev. and Mrs. R. H. Campbell are attending Pastors School at Georgetown this week.

—vj—

Mrs. Corie Driskill is leaving Monday for Dallas, where she will visit her son, Sam Driskill, and her sister, Mrs. E. M. Harris.

—vj—

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Hinds left Saturday for a weeks visit in Cotton Valley, La. to visit Mr. and Mrs. John P. Dean.

—vj—

Jim Tom Lawrence, medical student at Southwestern University, Dallas, is spending a two weeks furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Lawrence.

—vj—

Raymond W. Foy, advertising manager for the Dallas Morning News, visited his mother, Mrs. H. F. Foy and other relatives here the first of the week.

—vj—

Sgt. Bates Bauch of McAlister, Okla. arrived Wednesday enroute to camp after a mission to deliver prisoners of war to San Antonio.

—vj—

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Bates and daughters, Gwindland and Dean of Tayah were guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Thompson Saturday and Sunday. They were enroute to Shreveport, La., where Mr. Bates, a T. & P. Railroad employe is being transferred.

**YUKON BELLES RIOT IN COLOR AND MUSIC**

High life in the Frozen North in the rip-roaring days of the gold rush is the basis of International's gray satire, "Belle of the Yukon," which stars Gypsy Rose Lee, Randolph Scott, Dinah Shore and Bob Burns, with Charles Winninger.

Released through RKO Radio, the lavish Technicolor musical extravaganza deals with the hectic events which follow the arrival of Belle DeValle and Her Girls, the beautiful Yukon Belles, in the Alaskan town of Malemute.

Belle, a lady of wide experience and one idea, discovers in the town's foremost citizen, Honest John Calhoun, an old flame of hers who in the past absconded with her heart and her bankroll, and who, in the present, she believes, is up to his old tricks.

Their stormy romance, another love affair between a dance-hall singer and the establishment's pianist, and the ingenious schemes by which Honest John and other shady residents plan to steal the gold dust which the trusting local miners have deposited in Mr. Calhoun's care, all bring about the hilarious climax.

—vj—

Robert Armstrong, Guinn "Big Boy" Williams, William Marshall, Florence Bates and other noted players have important roles, while the Misses Lee and Shore give out with a flock of catchy tunes written by Johnny Burke and Jimmy Van Heusen.

—vj—

Gay dance routines and remarkable color settings add gaiety to this lavish picture, which was produced and directed by William A. Seiter.

—vj—

Correcting the idea that only old pictures are shown to our servicemen in the front lines abroad, 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 expeditionary theatres.

—vj—

Bill Kennard student in John Tarleton college, Stephenville, spent the weekend at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Kennard, in Clyde.

—vj—

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Barton returned to Clyde Monday from Gonzales, where they visited Mrs. Barton's father, J. W. Thorp, who celebrated his 76 birthday Sunday. Eight of his nine children were home.

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Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Howard from Roswell, N. M., are visiting Mrs. Howard's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Stallings, in Clyde. They will live in Abilene, where Mr. Howard is employed at the Army Air Base. Mrs. Howard is the former Glenn Stallings.

**MOVIE KISS RECALLS SCENE IN PAST FILM**

There's a scene in their current co-starring comedy streamliner where Fred MacMurray is shown kissing Claudette Colbert with all the warmth of a wooden dummy. They are supposed to be kissing for a photographer who intends to use the clinch on a poster to stimulate war bond sales, a poster called "Homecoming" and revealing Fred in the uniform of a naval flyer greeting the little women on the doorstep of their vine-covered cottage.

Mikhail Rasumny plays the photographer, an excitable artist, who ties himself up into knots trying to get something representing love in bloom out of MacMurray. That's where the comedy comes in. Director Mitchell Leisen, pilot of the Paramount picture, title of which is "Practically Yours," arriving Sunday and Monday, July 1 and 2 at the Plaza Theatre explained to MacMurray:

"I want you to act as if you'd never kissed a girl before."

"Well" objected Fred, "it's a little late for that, I can't remember back so far."

"Boasting!" Jibed Claudette. "But I can remember back eight years when you made your first picture with me. You were so scared you shook like a leaf merely holding my hand. I thought you were going to faint when the director told you to kiss me."

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Either buy or rent a used electric fan. Mrs. J. T. Warren, Coner's Apts. 1tp.

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S-Sgt. and Mrs. R. R. Frazier and daughter of Laredo visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Frazier, in Clyde last week. Other guests in the Frazier home were Mickey Frazier, Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Frazier and children, Mrs. Mary Foreman, and W. A. Frazier, all from Dallas, Mrs. L. D. Elliott and children of Stamford, Mrs. John Coffey and children of Feris and Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Gressett, of Stamford.

**ATTEND FUNERAL AT CISCO**

Mrs. Arthur Johnson, Mrs. W. P. Haley, Mrs. Keith Fuller, and Mrs. Mary Kehrer attended the funeral of Mrs. Martha Kimmel Tuesday at 3 p. m. Cisco. After the service in Cisco, the body was taken to Arkan City, Kan. for burial.

**RICHARD BELL TO ARRIVE FROM EUROPE**

Mrs. Richard Bell received word last week that her husband, Flight officer Richard Bell, will arrive home around July 1 from Europe. His wife and daughter and a host of friends anxiously await his arrival.

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