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**FROM CLYDE.**

Clyde is situated 7 miles w Baird and 14 miles east of Abil the T. & P. Ry., is surround and black jack shinne a never failin

**IS YOUR MULE.**

best real jokes never as a rule local call names for we heard one the bb, a wellknown in connection G. Webb, that worla printing. Sam a week or so ago from local Methodist preach- d paid a good round at some of the boys in some fun at Sam's ex- d that Sam, (who is a Methodist church), had the deal, and had not male was worth. Rev. ho was present, took aid, "Brother Webb, o come to judgment Bro. Young and the d Bro. Young should ab you did not pay me it mule?" Then said at would you say Bro. e studying the matter wents Sam remarked, "Bro. Young, here is

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We are overstocked on this harness and must close them out. We offer for Cash as long as they last

\$20	Double Buggy Harness	-	\$15.00
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We have one special Double Buggy Harness that we will sell you for \$13.75 complete with Lines, Collars, Bridles Breast Straps and Pole Straps, all for \$13.75. How is that for a hot one. Some bargains in second hand Saddles. We handle 4 kinds of Washing Machines.

**C. S. BOYLES, Baird, Texas.**

**LARGE JEWELRY DISPLAY.**

Mr. Frank E. Chase, representing Morgan & Hawley, of Dallas, was in the city last Wednesday and Thursday and had on display at Terrell's Drug store perhaps one of the largest lines of Diamonds, Watches and jewelry ever displayed in Baird before, thus giving the people of this vicinity a chance to purchase fine jewelry at Dallas prices. The line displayed was estimated at about \$35,000.00 and out of this stock Mr. Terrell selected a handsome line of the most choice watches, charms, chains, lockets and rings. They are beauties; you should call and see them. They will be sold at the same price that the Dallas firms sell for.

**PUTNAM.**

Nov. 10.—As there has not been news in your paper from near Putnam will try and send in a few dots.

Mr. Ben Whiteside is very sick at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Hutchinson went to Baird Friday.

Ben Williams, of Garland, was here last week and shipped two cars of mules Dallas.

Mr. Jesse McMurry visited at Coleman last week.

Mr. Erry McCollum and Miss Dollie Pyentz were married here Sunday night. Miss Dollie is one of Putnam's most accomplished young ladies; while Mr. Erry is one of the most popular young men in this vicinity.

Mr. Charles Pottel, our teacher, went to Eastland Friday.

Miss Bessie Surles is visiting at Atwell this week.

Mrs. Brittain and daughter, Lollie, visited Baird Saturday.

Dr. Jason Montgomery has moved to Romney.

Omar Burket is visiting at Bluffdale. Misses Clara and Jessie Williams are visiting their sister at Cottonwood.

Edward Andrews, of Atwell, was in town last week.

L. D. Harwell went to Baird Saturday.

Will write more next time.

JOHNNY.

**HOUSE FOR RENT.**  
Good 4 room house, with a good cistern and out-houses lots, etc.  
Jas. H. Walker  
Baird, Texas

**The Ft. Worth Record.**  
A DEMOCRATIC PAPER FOR DEMOCRATIC TEXAS

The long felt want of North Texas has been supplied, and The Ft. Worth Record, as good as the best and Democratic besides, is a daily and semi-weekly fact. Edited by Clarence Onsley, late managing editor of The Houston Post.

The semi weekly edition began with the issue of Tuesday Oct. 27, sample copies of which may be obtained free by addressing a postal card to The Record, Ft. Worth, Texas, or may be seen at this office. Subscription price \$1 a year; 6 mos. 50c; 3 mos. 25c.

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NOTICE, FAIR WARNING.

People whom I owe, expect me to pay what is due them, but I cannot pay my debts unless I collect what is due me. I have many subscription accounts in Baird that are from one to three years past due, and many in other parts of the county...

W. E. GILLILAND, Cotton sold as high as 11 cts on the market at Baird Saturday.

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Republican newspapers are boasting about republican success in the elections last week. The large majority in both Ohio and Pennsylvania are commented on with evident satisfaction. The election in New York city is waived aside by republicans as of no importance, but at the same time President Roosevelt thought it of sufficient importance to go all the way to New York, to vote for Lowé.

Summing up the result the democrats got more out of the elections than the republicans. Every prominent republican in and out of New York sympathized with Lowé, and most of his support came from republicans. McClellan was the democratic nominee for mayor and made a straight party fight and won a splendid victory in Maryland the democrats won and the republicans lost a senator. Johnson's overwhelming defeat in Ohio does not damage the democrats chances of success one whit, neither does the loss of such states as Colorado or Nebraska as they were always republican in sentiment and only swung away on the populist wave that swept the country a few years ago.

THE STAR is in favor of compulsory education, and compulsory religion. Both are good things, and if people want accept them, pass laws and make them come to time. It would be hard on some old reprobates to be forced to attend church occasionally, but then the end would justify the means. This seems to be an age of law, and the old time theory that we ought to persuade folks to be good and do right, has played out and the doctrine of force is now the idea. Our proposed law might be unpopular at first, but when the public realized the great good it would accomplish, everybody would endorse it.

Why do more men go to church than women? It is a puzzling question that is puzzling many preachers and church members. A large percentage of the men who are church members do not attend church in Baird, and this is not peculiar to Baird alone from what we have heard from other towns. Some zealous pros say the open saloon keeps them away. Tut, tut. In talking with a gentleman this week from an adjacent town that has had prohibition for several years, he said the same conditions or worse prevailed in his town. The women and girls go to church, but few men go. Why is this?

If some people had their way there would be laws regulating a man's eating, drinking, speaking and sleeping. It is nearly that way now. Many acts are now made crimes by law that our fathers never dreamed of. If we go on we will ere long have laws to make us all religious, and then we will need another law to make most of the men go to church. The women, God bless 'em go to church without a law, but men will not.

Talk about immense stocks of goods, Baird can show larger sized stocks of dry goods, groceries and hardware than any town twice its size in West Texas. This, and good prices, is bringing cotton to Baird, and prices on goods are as low as elsewhere without a doubt, all boasting to the contrary.

The Merkel Mail, having been badly worsted in an encounter with editor Gilliland of the Baird Star, is now hunting easier picking, and seems disposed to turn its attention to the Review. We are not inclined to newspaper controversy, especially with the Mail and on the prohibition question, both of which are destitute of argument and logic; but if a "spite" is absolutely necessary to editor Lee-man's health and moral welfare, and no one else will accommodate him, we will devote as much attention to him as we conveniently can, or else prepay him a bottle of good Sweetwater whiskey, which is equally exhilarating and less expensive than controversy, and is the only known remedy for incurable prohibitionists.—Sweetwater Review.

MUST'N'T PREACH POLITICS.

New Haven, Conn., Oct. 31.—Rev. Dr. Lyman Abbott has warned students of the Yale Divinity School not to preach politics when they become clergymen. He is at Yale to deliver the annual Lyman Beecher lectures. Said Dr. Abbott:

"If a Roman Catholic priest should get up in the city and tell his congregation how they ought to vote, the Protestant element in the town would be inflamed with indignation. There is a general feeling prevalent that a Roman Catholic priest must not preach politics, but that a Congregational minister can do so, and is expected to, but the same rule governs both. 'I honor and respect my friend, Dr. Parkhurst. When he showed up the temptation and corruption of New York he did the city a great service, but when he went into a personal investigation and attack, when he went into party politics he went from one platform and did not get into another. As a citizen a minister may be a temperate Republican, Socialist, Mugwump or prohibitionist, but let him keep his politics out of the pulpit.

"I do not think that the journalistic field is the place for ministers, either as writers or preachers. Beware of the inclination to talk through the newspapers."

A WORD FOR DAD.

The editor of the Greenville Herald pays the following merited tribute to Dad, which contains more truth than poetry:

"We happened in a home the other night, and all over the parlor door saw the legend worked in letters of red, 'What is home without a mother?' Across the room was another brief, 'God bless our home.' Now what's the matter with 'God bless our dad?' He gets up early, fights the fire, boils an egg, grabs his dinner pail and wipes off the dew of the dawn with his boots while mother is sleeping. He makes the weekly hand-outs to the butcher, the grocer, the milk-man and baker and his little pile is badly worn before he has been home an hour. He stands off the bailiff and keeps the rent paid up.

If there is a noise during the night dad is kicked in the back and to go down stairs to find the burglar and kill him. Mother darns the socks, but dad buys the socks in the first place and the needles and the yarn afterward. Mother does up the fruit; well, dad buys it all, and the jars and sugar cost like the mischief.

Dad buys the chickens for the Sunday dinner, carves them himself and draws the neck from the ruins after everyone else is served.

"What is a home without a mother?" Yes, that is all right; but, "What is home without a father?" Ten chances to one it is a boarding house, father is under the slab, and the landlady is the widow. Dad here's to you; you've got your faults—you may have lots of 'em but we will miss you when you're gone."

We agree with an exchange which says, occasionally one will hear the remark, "I wish I was out of this town." And then one feels like saying: "I wish you were, for a man who stands on the street corners, chewing and spitting, telling obscene stories, cursing the town, finding fault with his grandmother because she is a woman, claiming that the merchants are a lot of thieves; that the lawyers and newspaper men would skin a man to a finish, and a whole lot more, is a nuisance and abomination. Any town pestered with one or more such worthies would be justified in exercising cowhide authority on their anatomy. No one is obliged to live where life is not suited. If he hasn't a word of encouragement for the business enterprises and institutions of his town, he should shut up and 'go way back and sit down.' If things don't suit you, move away to where they will. A growler and a sorehead in a town is an enterprise killer every time. It would pay a town to donate \$5 and tell him to move.—Longview Times-Clarion.

NOT TRUE.

One of the Sweetwater paper published last week, stated that a report was current that Miss Nina Harris, daughter of Rev. W. H. Harris, had committed suicide the week before. Mr. W. C. Whitley authorizes us to say that so far as he can learn the report is not true. A Miss Nina Harris, of Oklahoma, who committed suicide a week or two ago, is supposed to have been mistaken for Rev. Harris' daughter. THE STAR is glad to learn that the report is not true.

NEW LODGE.

Baird is becoming a lodge center. At the leading secret and fraternal orders are represented in town. A lodge of the Improved Order of Red Men was organized here last week with fifty-one members. They meet in the Odd Fellows Hall every Friday night. The principle officers are: H. Schwartz, Schm., W. P. Cochran, Secretary.

CLOSE OF YEAR'S WORK.

Rev. J. A. Biggs, pastor of the M. E. Church, South, at Baird, closed his year's work and preached his last sermon last Sunday night. No intimation was given out as to whether he would return. In fact no one knows here who the pastor will be until the close of the North-West Texas Conference now in session at Ft. Worth. Notwithstanding the serious illness of both brother Biggs and wife, which caused Bro. Biggs to lose two months work in the summer, the year has proven more than ordinarily successful for the church.

From report made by the pastor to the church Sunday night we give the following figures from the Baird Station, Abilene District North-West Texas Conference.

MEMBERSHIP—CHURCH PROPERTY. Addition on profession of faith... 60 Addition by certificate... 30 Total... 90 Removals by death, certificates and otherwise... 20 Net gain for the year... 70 Total membership... 212

CHURCH PROPERTY. 1 church building, value... \$2000.00 1 parsonage... \$700.00 Debts... 0

FINANCIAL REPORT. Assessment for support of the minister and other expenses. Presiding Elder Assessed... \$105.00 Paid... \$105.00 Preacher in Charge Assessed... \$800.00 Paid... \$800.00 Bishops, Assessed... \$10.00 Paid... \$10.00 Conference Claims Assessed... \$39.00 Paid... \$39.00 Foreign Missions Assessed... \$49.00 Paid... \$49.00 Domestic Missions Assessed... \$49.00 Paid... \$49.00 Other Objects Incidental Expenses Assessed... \$125.95 Paid... \$125.95

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Note—Non-official. The Sunday School is in a flourishing condition though the attendance the last few weeks has not been as good as desired, and all parents and Sunday School scholars are urged to work for an increased membership. Scholars enrolled not given but is over one hundred. All collections paid and some money in the treasury. The Sunday School paid \$30.00 on missions in addition to paying all incidental expenses.

EPWORTH LEAGUE.

There are two Leagues, Senior and Junior, with a membership of 82. The total amount raised by the Church Sunday School, Epworth League and Ladies Home Mission Society was \$1,519.95. The Ladies Home Mission Society raised \$88.00 during the year and is included in the above total. The members are highly gratified that they were enabled to pay all assessments, though as usual the burden fell heavy on a few and in some instances members nearly doubled their assessments and a great many increased their assessments to meet the amount required. If every member (of any church) would pay what they could, monthly, there would not be such a hard pull at the end of the year to pay up.

Bro. Biggs took occasion at the conclusion of his sermon to thank the members and friends of the church for their liberality in meeting all assessments and for the encouragement given him. At the close of the service the choir sang the old familiar hymn "God Be With You Till We Meet Again."

\$25.00 REWARD.

I will pay \$25.00 for any information that will lead to the capture and conviction of the person or persons who stole about 600 pounds of seed cotton from Wm. Whitley, four miles north-west from Cottonwood on Friday night, Nov. 6, 1903.

T. A. IRVIN, sheriff Callahan County, Texas.

Dr. Robertson, of Cross Plains, is in town to-day. The Doctor has a dead shot for killing Johnson grass. Ask him what it is.

Ellis Richardson, of Albany, was in town the first of the week. While in St. Louis a short time ago he says he met J. H. Peters who skipped owing a great many people in Baird. Ellis says Peters denied his name but Ellis says it was Peters without a doubt.

B. Y. P. U.

Program for Sunday Nov. 15, 1903. Subject, Consistency in Life. Neh. 5:9; Rom. 14:22. Leader, Miss Mae Jones. Song. Prayer. Song. Scripture lesson, by leader. Paper, The Injury Done to the Cause of Christ by Inconsistent Christians, Miss Lillie Moon. Song. Recitation, Miss Bessie Franklin.

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