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The Baird Star, Baird, Texas,—In Its 57th Year

(County)

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LOCAL BOY BECOMES HERO IN LINE OF DUTY IN ENGLAND AT EIGHT AIR FORCE LIBERATOR STATION!

The following story was released to the Baird Star by the 8th Air Force in England:

Acts of heroism in the 8th Air Force are not always performed at high altitudes, 2nd Lt. Morris C. Eastham of Baird, Texas, proved recently.

At a Liberator station, commanded by Col. E. W. Napier of San Antonio, Texas, the young officer extricated five injured men from a B-24 loaded with several tons of bombs and ammunition, which had suddenly burst into a raging inferno of fire prior to take-off.

Lt. Eastham, the Station Marshall, saw the helpless bomber aflame from the control tower and rushed to the plane in a jeep, shortly before two fire trucks and ambulances arrived.

He pulled one of the crew members from beneath the wreckage of a motor, and proceeded back to the flames of the explosively-laden bomber to free four more men.

Four others of the unfortunate bomber crew, in a somewhat dazed condition, walked out of the ship unaided.

One man, the radio-operator, was trapped on the flight deck behind a wall of flame, unable to reach safety and could not be approached because of the intense heat, while the rescuer and his helpers worked against time before the impending explosion. He perished.

Members of Lt. Eastham's fire crew were: Pvt. William Aureli; Hendersonville, Pa., Pvt. Herman L. Scott; Bennington, Okla., Pvt. Geo. T. Rowland; Tocopola, Miss., Pfc. Anthony Neri; Johnston, R. I., and Pvt. James B. Morriset; 806 Edgewood Ave., Jacksonville, Fla. stood as close as possible to burning bomber, using extinguishers on the blaze to keep the fire from the injured men and the bombs.

When it was believed all of the airmen that could be reached had been removed from the wreckage, Lt. Eastham ordered all rescuers to a safe distance.

Seconds later, three violent explosions destroyed the Liberator.

STAFF SERGEANT MIKE C. HUGHES WRITES INTERESTING LETTER TO HOME FOLKS.

34TH BOMB GROUP, July 1, 1944.
Dear Mother and Dad: Was very glad to get your letter today. It was dated the 17th, so you can see that's a lot better than I have been doing.

But there must still be several written before it which haven't ever reached me yet. Also, had two from Stella and one from Mrs. Ramsey today. Two of us are now down in the Aero Club, just to write a few letters. Sure does feel good to get a letter mail from home, once in a while, and to find out everything is going all right.

Tell daddy to write sometime when he gets time. I have never seen anyone else I know around here, nor have I seen Gene again either.

I suppose you will get a bunch of my letters, all at once, as I think the mail was held up over here for a while, maybe they will get there some time.

Our crew was hoping to get a pass of these days soon, and we are planning on going into London, and see the town; but we are just all waiting on it. Yesterday was a day, and I got my usual little d, just 4 pounds, as my overseas and flying pay is all I get now. don't get so much, but more enough to get by on.

FACTS ABOUT BAIRD YOUR HOME-TOWN

On January 1, 1939, your war rate was increased 10 per cent. This action was authorized by a vote of the people to enable City to contribute \$5,000.00 to the equipment of the hospital.

The ten percent increase has now liquidated the full amount of the contribution, and, in accordance with the implied promise of the City Council, this increase will no longer be assessed, beginning with your July 1944 reading.

Your Council believes in keeping faith with the people.

CITY OF BAIRD

JUDGE O. C. FUNDERBURK OF EASTLAND FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF CIVIL APPEALS.

Judge O. C. Funderburk of Eastland, Texas, Associate Justice of our Court of Civil Appeals, in association



first, with Justice J. E. Hickman and W. P. Leslie, and afterwards with Justices W. P. Leslie and Clyde Grissom, has by years of service helped to establish the reputation of the Court as one of the strongest of the eleven Courts of Civil Appeals in Texas.

Those best acquainted with the history of the Court, and with Judge Funderburk's record regard him an able, impartial and courageous jurist entitled to a vote of confidence and re-election.

Why make any unnecessary change in the personnel by whose cooperative work the standing of the Court has been achieved?

(Pol. Adv. Paid for by Friends)

Don't get flying pay till about the 10th.

How is the rationing going back there now. I just wish some of the people that don't like it could just be over here and take some of the English rations awhile, and its good to what some country's have; but still, you have no idea of how much less it is for them than it is for people at home.

The soldiers do good to what the people have.

Well, guess I'd better close for this time; so bye, for now, and write and tell every one hello.

Love,
Mike.

PRIVATE LINTON HUGHES

Pvt.—yes just plain private Linton Hughes, son of our townsman, Virgil Hughes, dropped in Monday, assured us of his admiration for The New Baird Star, and spent a pleasant moment talking about the boys in and what they would like to find when they return—all of them want what they left, freedom with an opportunity to plan and work out their own salvation.

Linton has been with the 66th Inf. at Camp Rucker, Ala., and has come home on a 10 days' furlough with his parents and friends, before going back for further military life.

Aubrey Buchanan, HA1-c writes his folks that he is fine and received his birthday gifts. Aubrey's hospital ship brings the wounded from the continent to England.

MRS. BUCKNER AT HOME

Mrs. Herbert Buckner has returned to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Hughes, after seven days in Hendricks Memorial Hospital in Abilene, under medical treatment. Little Lindsay Kay stayed with her grandparents. Her husband, Cpl. Herbert M. Buckner, is with a Troop Transport, based in England.

Sgt. William L. Tarver was operated on in Miami, Fla., June 9th, two days after his arrival at the rest camp. He is now out of hospital, and being transferred to Lincoln, Neb., to train as areal engineer instructor.

Release from Great Lakes Naval District, Illinois, states that Selwyn Ernest Settle, 24, son of Mrs. Lillie Hampton Settle is receiving his initial naval indoctrination at the U. S. Naval Training Center there.

John R. Cook, A-S USNR, V-12 U. Willard Hall, Room 27, Pittsburg, Kansas, writes us to change his Star to John R. Cook, A-S, USNR, Midshipman School, Jno. J. Hall Bldg., 1235-B, New York, N. Y.

Callahan County Goes Over Top \$26,054.56 Sold \$346,054.56; Quota was \$320,000.00!

FIFTH LOAN OVER TOP AND MORE WANTED BY MONEY-HUNGRY WASHINGTONIANS!

Again we must opine that money is about the most plentiful thing we have—and it is increasing by double-leap-frog bounds.

Each War Loan Drive is hitched a little higher, and the ante is at once covered by the Callahanians!

Judge Freeland, chairman of the Callahan drive, reported Tuesday, he had checked Saturday night with

Banks and Postoffices in County, and an over all amount of \$366,054.56 had been subscribed up to the first closing date of the Drive—but, like Israel's sale, it was so good, the money hungry leaders hiked the date up until July 31!

Callahan quota was \$320,000 so we went over by \$26,054.56, and our E. bond quota was \$125,000.00 but it went over by \$18,342.25, with a total of \$153,342.25. Other bonds ran to \$212,711.31!

So we can again glory in some self praise—we did it again.

BILLY B. HOLLINGSHEAD IS REPORTED MISSING IN ACTION OVER NEW GUINEA

The second Serviceman of this area to be reported missing in action within the week, is Second Lieutenant Billie B. Hollingshead.

A message that came at 11:00 a. m., Wednesday to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hollingshead of Baird states that he is missing since June 29th, over New Guinea.

For some time, he has been serving as pilot on a large bomber.

Billie was reared in Baird, being graduated from Baird High School in 1939. Being full of fun, and a good musician, he was popular with all groups.

He is the third son in the Hollingshead family. His two brothers are in service, but not so long as Billie: Olaf, who is studying towards rank of Pharmacist Mate in San Diego, and Fayne, who will complete his course in cooking and baking, in a few days, at Camp Berkeley, have entered within the last six months.

Being the Youngest of the family Billie was the special child of his grandmother Gilbreth, as well as in his own family.

As in the case of all our other missing boys, we wait in hopes that Billie is among those who bailed out and was not lost.

BAIRD PILOT REPORTED MISSING IN ACTION

Frist Lieutenant Morris H. Cooke, son of Mr. & Mrs. Willis L. Cooke, formerly of Baird, now living in Portland, Oregon, has been listed as missing in action, over Rumania, since June 23, 1944.

A first Pilot on a flying Fortress, Lieutenant Cooke has been overseas since March, 1944. He was stationed at a base somewhere in Italy.

Lieutenant Cooke received his commission, August 5, 1942, from Officer's Candidate School at Miami Beach, Fla. He attended pilots' aviation schools in San Antonio, Coleman, Sherman, and he received his wings, August 30, 1943, at Ellington Field, Houston, Texas. He attended bomber school at Tarrant Field, Ft. Worth, and advanced training at Muroc, California.

He married a girl from San Antonio, and Mrs. Cooke and two-year old daughter, Mary Louise, moved to the McCoy Apartments in May, to make their home while Lieutenant Cooke was serving overseas.

All Baird feel deeply with this young wife and mother, in her days of anxiety; because how poignant the pain of terrifying uncertainty is becoming an experienced and understood pain to all of us; and we hope later news will come announcing he is still alive!

Mrs. John Hill spent the past weekend of Sheppard Field visiting her son, Ralph Wylie.

Miss Peggy Reese who is employed at Abilene Army Air Base visited home folks last week-end.

THE BOUNDSSES BOUNDED

Mrs. J. Pat Bounds arrived Sunday evening from Norfolk, Va., where she has been with her husband, a Ph. M. in the Navy. Soon after her arrival, a telegram came from Pat that his troop train would soon pass through Baird.

My how those Boundses did bound about getting down to the station—didn't want to miss seeing Pat!

Pat was headed for San Diego. His wife will visit here, then go over to Tye, with her people, until he knows whether he will be stationed in the States, or overseas.

TO THE MEN AND WOMEN VOTERS OF CALLAHAN COUNTY

Congressman Sam Russell
I have just returned home after staying on the job in Congress until the recess came.



I firmly believe that it was my patriotic duty to remain at my post to help in every manner possible to take care of the many war-torn responsibilities our country is now faced with.

By reason of the short time, short age of gasoline and tires, I will be unable to see the voters as I would like to and would do under ordinary circumstances. Therefore, I am coming to you through this medium, The Baird Star, and extending my greetings to every man and woman, as well as every child.

If you believe that my experience and ability justify my re-election, I will greatly appreciate your support.

These are trying times, and it is highly important that we keep men in Congress who have the courage and the willingness to do everything possible to help our country through the dark days ahead. If you send me back to Washington as your Congressman, you can rest assured that I will continue to do my best to protect every sacred right of this country.

I have worked in the interest of the interest of the agricultural industry; and every Act in behalf of our war effort has received my support and my services are dedicated to winning the peace; maintaining our Democratic way of life, and, if possible, preserving our financial structure.

Respectfully yours,
SAM M. RUSSELL.

EDGAR NORTON DIED IN GA.

Relatives here received notice of the death of W. E. (Edgar) Norton, age 59, prominent oil man of our Texas Wichita Falls. He died in Georgia where he was visiting his son and wife Corp. Morris E. Norton of the Army Air force. He had been in ill health several months.

Other survivors: His mother, Mrs. Annie Norton, Ft. Worth; A brother C. J. Norton of Lubbock; Three sisters, Mrs. Lyle Hard, Ft. Worth; Mrs. C. J. Duggan, Dallas; and Mrs. Ben G. O'Neal of Wichita Falls.

He was born in Callahan County and spent his childhood in Baird.

The family will be remembered by many old timers of Baird, and of Callahan county. His father, the late Julius Norton, was in the Grocery business here for many years.

Funeral services were held in Wichita Falls, July 8th, and burial was by the side of his wife, who preceded him in death several years. He was a nephew of Cora Work and W. D. Boydston of Baird.

GOSPEL MEETING AT ROWDEN

J. A. Haggard of Clyde will hold a meeting at the Rowden Church of Christ, beginning July 19, and continuing through the following week. All are welcome, and urged to assist in the meeting.

Mesdames B. F. Luvvorn and C. Allen of Oplin paid us a pleasant call Saturday. Mrs. Luvvorn says her son Wayland Hoyt Luvvorn who landed in Africa more than a year ago, expects to have a new address soon. Since landing there he has seen only one familiar face. He met Roland Hall once.

Mrs. R. M. Mask has gone to visit her daughter, Mrs. Oscar Davis, Coleman county. Said she'd be back in time to vote.

BAIRD HIGH SCHOOL ACCEPTED FOR SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP

According to Supt. South, the Baird High has been accepted for the 17th time for membership in the Southern Association of Colleges and High Schools, in the Annual Session held in Chattanooga, last spring.

The report states that the action was significant in that Baird High School passed the review of the committee without one adverse criticism.

It states further, "Your excellent showing is outstanding and emphasizes the constructive educational program and the leadership in charge of your public schools."

HIGH SCHOOL SUPERVISOR MAKES HIS REPORT

Dr. Joseph R. Griggs, Director of Supervision, State Department of Education, recently sent his official report to Supt. Olaf South, and the Board Chairman, O. C. Yarbrough.

It follows: The supervisor noted the following on visiting the Baird School—

1. A philosophy that builds useful citizens;
2. The curriculum and courses of study, pupil activity program, library service, guidance service, etc., are good;
3. Assignments are according to preparation of teachers, the salaries are standard, the qualifications and teacher-hood are standard.
4. The building and equipment in fair condition;
5. The school administration and organization of program are excellent;
6. Permanent records, finances, and management are good.

NEW SUBSCRIBER LEAVES A STORY ABOUT FOLKS IN WAR!

C. R. Dick of Ovalo, Rt. 1, came in Monday, and subscribed for The Baird Star, and gave us the following items of news about his folks in service:

His son, George Raymond, S-1-c, who has been in naval service two years in the Pacific, has been transferred from his post on a "tin-can" gunboat to a transport, but doesn't like it any better. He was in a western U. S. port some weeks ago.

A nephew, Marvin Dickson, landed in England, recently. He is gunner on a big bomber.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Harrison are working in the shipyards in Van Couver, Washington. He is a welder.

She recently won a medal for rating best ladder inspector for gunboats and aircraft carriers. She is become quite agile climbing up and down on her inspection tours.

GOLDENGATE VISITOR HERE

C. R. Phillips of Daggett, Calif., called Saturday, and paid up for the Baird Star another year.

He was employed for the years on the Hatchett Oil Lease, and still likes to keep up with Baird folks.

In California he is employed in aircraft work. He and Mrs. Phillips will visit in Cisco and Breckenridge while in Texas.

BAILEY JOHNSON GOES TO THE CLYDE SCHOOLS.

According to Supt. South, Baird schools lose another able teacher, Bailey Johnson who has been chosen Supt. of the Clyde Schools. For the past two years, Mr. Johnson was Principal of Baird High School. He will not be new to Clyde people, as he served them before coming to Baird several years as principal of their high school.

He will probably assume his new responsibilities about August 1.

Mrs. Johnson who taught the 4th graders here the past year, was also elected to teach in the Clyde schools. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson and their three children, Madeline, Tommy and Carolyn, have made many friends here, who will regret to see them go back to Clyde; but wish them and their parents continued happiness in their new home.

Mrs. Mary Everett is subbing for Mrs. Bettye Spicer as secretary for the County Agent.

Word comes that Bettye McCoy has been made president of the Senior class as Texas Tech, and that she will graduate in August, a B. A.

Mrs. Joe McGowen reports a new grandson in Ft. Worth—an 8 pound son of Mr. & Mrs. R. H. Collins.

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WHAT A BET TEXAS HAS LOST

(An Editorial)

Of course, it was not our business to think things through and out for Texas Democracy; and, if it had been, probably our mind would have lain dormant, as other party leaders' minds have. . . . What we have in mind is a political Pearl Harbor for Texas and the South.

"Murder will out" was true long before Daniel Webster gave it a most famous setting. With Admiral Kimmel, and his co-naval officers, in charge of our Pacific fleet, clamoring for months for a "full investigation," and the Whitehouse insisting it would injure the war effort to have a courtmartial now, the public kept growing more and more suspicious that there was a nigger in the woodpile!

The Grapevine Great Daily got busy, and now it is admitted by all but Roosevelt, Churchill, and their stooges, that Pearl Harbor was a premeditated disaster, planned by other than the Japs.

It is believed that Roosevelt knew it would happen, and did not warn Kimmel and his officers of the impending attack!

Why? The answer is purely psychological!

If the Pacific Fleet had been put on the alert, had sailed out of the quiet, beautiful Pearl Harbor, out into the broad waters of the Pacific, and all hands had been at their posts it is quite certain they that would have warded off the Jap blow; 3500 American boys, the Hawaiian Air base, and our Proud Pacific Fleet would not have been lost!

Had that happened, we in the U. S. who were still pretty cocksure we could whip the world and not half try, would have gone about our business, with a shrug and a grin, and an "I told you we can lick 'em!"

But that is exactly what Churchill and our famous commander-in-chief, the war gods, the industrialists, and planners of world empire buttressed on American Gold and finances, did not want. They wanted to galvanize every American into action! Pearl Harbor did it!

What did Churchill, feigning surprise, exclaim in an expectant voice: "Thank God for that! America will now come in!"

No wonder Roosevelt does not want Kimmel courtmartialled, for he knows the whole dirty mess will come out! Of course he wants to continue President of the United States—he has much to account for, and as long as he has a rubberstamp congress and a pueril Supreme Court personnel, he can keep under cover court proceedings!

Dwelling on those grapevine facts which were seeping out through Dallas News editorials, Babson, Drew Pearson, et al., I began to ponder our political difficulties—what is the South going to do with its traditional threat that Jimcrowsism and segregation shall live?

Then I mulled over our "regular Texas Democrats daring to beard this Modern Dracula in his haunts, and wondered what could happen at Chicago. And Pearl Harbor took its position politically in my mind.

If the rumpers are seated at Chicago, next week; the regulars will find a long-suffering democracy in Texas inclined to go along one more round, and again we shall fall supinely on our backs, and grovel for four more years, while our complete autonomy in local and State affairs shall have passed beyond recall—except at the point of the sword.

This is the Pearl Harbor stunt my mind conjured up—The leaders in State politics should have gone to the negro leaders, and said: "You fellows are Roosevelt's truest Texas Democrats. It is certain he is going to try to deliver you from under the political bondage of the South. So you now have your chance. Hastily call a convention of your own race from all Texas. Organize your True Roosevelt Black Democrats. Choose your delegates to Chicago Democratic Convention July 19; and name your 23 Presidential Electors, pledged vote for Roosevelt for President so long as he do live. Go to Chicago, knock on Roosevelt's Door, and demand that his own children, negro democrats from Texas, be seated!"

Result: Roosevelt is now feeling so powerful in his money control of the South, through his lavish scattering of money among all classes,

that it would have popped into his mind, as it did the Japs 'I can get away with that. It will placate my own dear Harlem, which I am about to lose to Dewey!"

If that had been accomplished, it would have galvanized the entire South into Instant Action politically as did Pearl Harbor militarily.

Every day the South puts off an emphatic meeting of this Roosevelt foisted race issue, the greater will be loss and suffering of the our Southern people and their interest.

NOTHING SHOULD KEEP YOU AWAY FROM THE POLLS, JULY 22, SATURDAY WEEK!

(An Editorial)

Remember this, Citizens of Callahan county: "You have but two effective holds upon your Government:

1. Your ballot;
2. Your right with your fellows to peaceably assemble, and petition your government on your grievances!

Texas realized that when she drew up her primary election law, which controls your conduct next Saturday week: provided for your exercising both of those constitutionally guaranteed reserved rights.

The first thing you should do July 22, is to go vote. Before you go to the ballot box, between now and July 22nd, you and your friends, all of your neighbors ought to get together and decide whom you will vote for your Precinct chairman, who becomes a member of Callahan County Executive Committee.

You will find the next to the last office on your ballot to be filled is designated thus.

FOR PRECINCT CHAIRMAN, PRECINCT NUMBER:

That blank line is for you to write in the name of the man you want to head your precincts political affairs for the next two years. If you and your neighbors have not talked it over, and agreed on a man, you will write in so many names that the organized few who have been dominating the county so long will win again.

Keep this in mind: The finest safeguard the people ever held over their elected officials has been the old custom, which has about died out, of "two times up and out".

Don't put back either the old executive committeeman, nor one of his choosing, unless he has been there only one term, and then if he is not a child of your ring in Callahan co. which has dominated affairs so long.

Not that any of these men are bad men—they are perhaps among your best citizens—but to be in political control longer than two terms tends to do injury to the best man's thinking—he comes to think no one else can do the job quite so well—he, in his own mind, becomes an indispensable man!

You see the three who finally let the contract to print the ballots did an after dead-line bit of politics.

They wrote me a letter on June 19, two days after last day for candidates seeking county or precinct offices, to have their names placed on the ballot; and they sent with the letter asking for my bid on the printing of the ballots, carbon copy of the sample ballot to be printed.

It did not have Hugh Ross's name on as candidate for County Chairman; but when the ballots came back from the Cross Plains Review, where it was printed, Hugh Ross is down for County Democratic Chairman!

There were at this meeting, at 10:30, June 26, when the sub-committee met to let contract for printing of ballots, only three members.

His name was accidentally or intentionally left off on the 19th of June, when they met to determine the order of names on the ballot, the same day the letters went out to us county printers for bids.

Now I mention that for two reasons: 1. Evidently the committee has been so used to not having their acts questioned or challenged—a thing that always inheres in long, unopposed control, that they blantly ignore specific instructions of the law; and 2. I had been told by Roy Kendrick that, on receiving Rupert Jackson's resignation, "we just named his mother to complete the year; and decided to put Hugh Ross in as County Chairman!"

I protested when he said that, a

few weeks ago!

Now, personally, I feel that Hugh Ross is one of our best citizens—a clean man, an honorable man, as no doubt all of the old ring are; but there are two reasons why Hugh Rose's name should be scratched off by all voters wanting to untangle this political snarl in Callahan county, in county political affairs.

1. Ross is Mayor of Baird, and an excellent mayor; therefore, he should not be in a position of domination in county political affairs;

2. He is the named-successor of a family that held it so long that no one thought there would ever be a change.

It is certainly against best public policy for any out-going group to name their successors. That is what is the matter with national democracy—a long line of fellows who have taken it on themselves to hold on as long as they can, then name the Elisha upon whose shoulders the mantle of Elijah may fall.

Therefore, in your hours between now and July 22, you and your neighbors should agree on some outstanding man, other than Hugh Ross, and write his name as county chairman: the last office listed on the ballot.

After you have prepared to vote intelligently next Saturday week, an even bigger task lies before you—attendance upon the precinct convention, which meets at 2:00, July 22, same day as the primary election, in the afternoon, at 2:00, as noted near the polls, or in same place.

You ought to do a lot of thinking and note making between now and then; for you have a very important task before you there—and it falls

into two parts:

First, you must choose delegates to attend a county convention to be held in Baird on the following Saturday, July 29, at which time delegates will be chosen to meet in the State Convention, which meets at Austin, I believe has been named, on September 12;

You choose one delegate to each 25 votes your box cast for Governor at the primary in 1942, or major fraction of 25.

Second, you are duty bound to freely discuss with your neighbors, in this precinct convention, and every qualified voter in the primary is a qualified member of your precinct convention—to repeat, you are duty bound to discuss all public issues, decide what matters should be a part of your party's platform, and adopt a set of resolutions carefully outlining your grievances, as well as your approval of past party acts, if any, and send those resolutions to County convention in hands of your delegates; and unless you do that, your community writes itself out of last and greatest opportunity to protest bad government, or applaud a faithful servant, or right government.

You're the mooted as well as the boasted "grassroots of Democracy!"

When the several delegates from the 18 voting precincts meet in Baird there should be 18 sets of resolutions laid before the county convention—and these 18 sets should be carefully gone over, and consolidated into one set, which should go to the State Convention, and the same should be the treatment of the 254 sets from every county and all of the counties

Charter No. 3286

Reserve District No. 11

REPORT OF CONDITION OF The First National Bank of Baird AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON JUNE 30, 1944 IN THE STATE OF TEXAS

Published in response to call made by Comptroller of the Currency, Under Section 5211, U. S. Revised Statutes

ASSETS	
1. Loans and discounts (including \$458.00 overwraft)	\$329,906.71
2. United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	840,108.69
3. Obligations of States and political subdivisions	53,495.54
4. Other bonds, notes, and debentures	NONE
5. Corporate stocks (including \$2,400.00 stock of Federal Reserve bank)	2,400.00
6. Cash, balance with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection	1,251,793.74
7. Bank Premises owned \$11,329.13, furniture and fixtures \$6,926.29	18,255.42
(Bank premises owned are subject to \$ lien not assumed by bank)	
8. Real estate owned other than bank premises	5.00
9. Investments and other assets indirectly representing bank premises or other real estate	NONE
10. Customers' liability to this bank on acceptances outstanding	NONE
11. Other assets	NONE
12. TOTAL ASSETS	\$2,495,965.10
LIABILITIES	
13. Demand Deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	1,865,442.76
14. Time deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	134,856.04
15. Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	172,907.78
16. Deposits of States and political subdivisions	166,397.23
17. Deposits of banks	NONE
18. Other deposits (certified and cashier's checks, etc.)	13,497.74
19. TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$2,353,101.55
20. Bills payable, rediscounts, and other liabilities for borrowed money	NONE
21. Mortgages or other liens, \$ on bank premises and \$ on other real estate	NONE
22. Acceptances executed by or for account of this bank outstanding	NONE
23. Other liabilities	NONE
24. TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$2,353,101.55
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	
25. CAPITAL STOCK:	
(a) Class A preferred, total par \$18,000.00, retirable value \$18,000.00 (Rate of dividends on retirable value is 3 per cent.)	
(b) Class B preferred, total par \$NONE, retirable value \$NONE (Rate of dividends on retirable value is per cent.)	
(c) Common stock, total par \$32,000.00	
26. SURPLUS	50,000.00
27. Undivided profits	30,000.00
28. Reserve (and retirement account for preferred stock)	49,744.05
	13,119.50
29. Total Capital Accounts	142,863.55
30. Total Liabilities and Capital Accounts	\$2,495,965.10
MEMORANDA	
31. Pledged assets (and securities loaned) (book value):	
(a) United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed, pledged to secure deposits and other liabilities	454,350.00
(b) Other assets pledged to secure deposits and other liabilities (including notes and bills rediscounted and securities sold under repurchase agreement)	NONE
(c) Assets pledged to qualify for exercise of fiduciary or corporate powers, and for purpose other than to secure liabilities	NONE
(d) Securities loaned	NONE
(e) TOTAL	454,350.00
32. Secured liabilities:	
(a) Deposits secured by pledged assets pursuant to requirements of law	310,363.55
(b) Borrowings secured by pledged assets pursuant to rediscounts and repurchase agreements	NONE
(c) Other liabilities secured by pledged assets	NONE
(d) TOTAL	310,363.55

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Callahan, ss: I, Bob Norrell, cashier, of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

BOB NORRELL, Cashier

(SEAL)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 5th day of July, 1944.

L. B. Lewis, Notary Public

Correct—Attest Ace Hickman, R. Keiton, Henry James, Dir

of Texas.

If you had been doing that for the last 25 years, as the law has wisely contemplated you would, our national political house would not be in such a mes, and no man could have become so "indispensible" that he would have been given an extended

lease on the wreck and ruin of all we of the South hold dear—for from restraint and for good would have flowed out to the nation!

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fifteen years ago for the same money.

"For the same money." That's the clue. You don't realize that rates are down, because your bill may be as much as it was fifteen years ago—or perhaps even more. But you have more electric appliances now. You're using more electricity—and you get about twice as much for what you pay.

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CITY PHARMACY

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The American Legion Post met at the USO canteen Monday night, and elected officers for new year—

Judge Freeland was chosen to again be post commander, a tribute to his zeal during past year; George Eubank was chosen 1st Vice, and Virgil Cole of Clyde, 2nd Vice. D. J. Anderson was kept as Adjutant, and Royce Gilliland was chosen again Chaplain, and Claud Flores was retained as Historian; two sergeants-at-arms were chosen—Morgan Stokes and Hugh Prichard.

Cake and cream was served. Only two draftees were present—but all report a good time.

It is now Staff Sergeant John G. Schaffrina, writes his proud mother of one of boys in Italy. And good luck, John—Staff Srgent John, for we are all proud of you.

Cpl. Cleo D. Craghead with the 5th Army in Italy is hospitalized for malarial fever.

Sgt. Samuel E. Mask, who is in France, wrote his mother recently: "I am well, and doing fine; but awfully busy!"

Tuesday morning Leslie Bryant reported 120 absentee ballots called for, and 20 had been voted—of the 80 or more applied for by boys in the service, the Atlantic and Pacific areas are about 50-50.

Four ladies from Eula spent the day Monday at the Red Cross surgical dressing room. They were—Mesdames J. Harris, Ross Farmer, and W. T. Gossiot.

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A Change Won't Hurt

(Pol. Adv.)

(VOTE—From last Page) presidential convention, May 6th, of this year: "Ah, there will not be 3 there!" But there were 14! And if he and his cohorts had been using their committees to stir the people to attend, we would have had 114 there!

We talk a lot about freedom—freedom of speech, freedom of press, and freedom of religion; and forget that along with these Thomas Jefferson set up a means of retaining these freedoms—it is the concluding clause

of the First Amendment, "...the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances."

That is your opportunity July 22, at 2:00 p. m. at your polling place! Don't fumble the ball this time. If you refuse this duty, this right, this obligation, you will do greater injury to your government, and the future of America, than would your son, should he remain in his foxhole and let the enemy gain ground!

BAIRD SCHOOL LUNCHROOM HAD SUCCESSFUL YEAR

According to Supt. Olaf South, the fine ladies under the supervision of Mrs. Grace Vaught, served 53,219 meals to the students and teachers of the local school during last term.

More than \$4,000 was spent at the local grocery stores for foodstuffs, not counting the milk which was served, and the commodities furnished free by the Food Administration.

The P.T.A. sponsors the lunch program, and is to be complimented on its successful management.

The lunch room closed the year with a balance of over \$2,000 in the Bank. Recently the TPA bought \$1,222 (cash value) war bonds.

Mrs. Ace Hickman, Mrs. Earl Johnson, Mrs. Fred Hart, Mrs. Col. Dyer and Olaf G. South compose the lunch-room committee.

HOSPITAL NOTES

BABIES BORN—July 8, son, Ronny Ray, to Mr. & Mrs. Ray Tucker of Clyde; and July 10, an 8-lb. son, Charles Earl, to Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Poe.

Mrs. Pat Haley who underwent major surgery 10 days ago, went home Monday.

Mrs. Ted Walls of Denton community was able to go home Tuesday after major operation 14 days ago.

Goldie Lee Crites of Cross Plains had major surgery Monday, and is doing nicely.

Mrs. L. B. McNeal of Clyde entered Tuesday, suffering a pus kidney and anemia.

Mrs. A. M. Waggoner who has been critically ill with strep throat, is some better.

Geo. McWhorter who has been critically ill for three weeks seems to be improving, after taking penicillin.

Mrs. Stafford Alexander of Houston who has been in hospital a week with double pneumonia, is doing nicely at this time.

Mrs. Evans of Houston is a patient suffering pneumonia and strep throat.

Grandma McGee is still with us and seems to be enjoying good health.

Mrs. Ferguson of Oplin entered

Monday night suffering a heart ailment.

Grandma Browning (92) who entered some 2 weeks ago is critically ill, not expected to live long.

Billie Joe Morgan was an X-Ray patient Tuesday.

Gabina Cordina had a tonsillectomy Monday.

ATWOOD OF OPLIN LIKES STAR

Just about the time we are tired enough to say, "Ah, what's the use?" and throw up the sponge, in comes a friend, whom we have never seen, grasps our hand warmly, and says, "Just wanted to come in and meet a man who knows what he is talking about, with courage enough to tell the readers facts, even if they are unpleasant!"

W. T. Atwood of Oplin came in Saturday, and registered as a friend and admirer. He says they miss the good rain which fell in Baird Sunday, July 2, and that crops are suffering for water.

RED CROSS OPENS ROOMS IN CLYDE FOR SURGICAL WORK

We have been able to gain from The Clyde Enterprise the fact that the Callahan county chapter of the red cross has organized a branch in Clyde, at the home economic cottage, work beginning last Monday.

Mrs. Rufus Grisham was made general supervisor.

ARMY LIEUTENANT TED MILES IS PUSHING FAR FRONT

in his race, without campaigning, for the Texas Senate. He was a suc-



cessful business man before entering the Army, and his friends have waged the campaign for him—since it is against Military Orders for a member of the armed forces to enter personally into the campaign.

Of course, Ted Miles will be very happy, if his friends win for him a seat in the State Senate of Texas; and your vote would be a lot of help. And in later years he would probably meet you and show his appreciation personally.

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GOOD WEATHER FOR PESTS

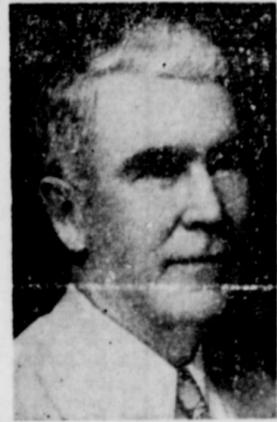
According to County Agent Meador, the temperature during past week has been very favorable for growth and development of garden and truck crop insects. These insects can be controlled if proper application of insecticide is made soon after the insects appear.

Plant lice, a small sap-sucking insect found on the lower surfaces of leaves causes much damage to the plant in a very short time. This insect can be controlled satisfactorily by spraying as follows: 1.5 teaspoonfuls of nicotine sulphate, 1 cu.in. of soap, to 1 gal. of water; or, dust with the nicotine sulphate; 2 teaspoonfuls to 1 qt. of hydrated lime.

DRAT MY BUSY HOURS

I had come to rely on Raymond's bi-weekly postal, notifying me of the business men's luncheon day; and he did not send out cards last week; I was hungry, but alone at work; so did not attend—and now I shall never be able to make up that lost Methodist Feast—meals, like lost sec-

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WANT TO BUY—something; a Want ad might turn the trick for you—minimum charge, 25 cents.

Buying bonds sinks into insignificance, compared to the task before us.

FOR SALE—New crop Hegama! See Will Appleton, Baird Route 1.

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WANT TO SELL—Something—then you might get results by telling readers about it in the Want Ad section—one cent a word for each issue or insertion; minimum 25 cents

onds, can never be regained, and when old Charon pulls and says, "Your one-way-canoe is waiting for you, Adams," I shall go in the face of the fact I have lost one good meal!

ST. LOUISIANS VISITING HERE

Mrs. James Jackson and daughter Jeanene are here from St. Louis, in-oculating herself again with the Callahan county ozone, and visiting her mother, Mrs. M. B. Nichols, and sister Mrs. Kattye Spicer, who is taking a month off from her duties as Secretary-Office girl in the county agnt's office to be with her sister.

Mrs. Jackson is also visiting in the home of her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Lee—she will be here a month or more.

E. L. Woodley left this week for New York and Washington, on business, and to see the daughters and Mrs. Woodley, who has been up in the (yankee-infested) East for some time. Says he will be back when he learns what Dewey and the rest have cooking.

Mr. & Mrs. Homer Boatwright were complimented this week by a visit from their new grandson from Big Springs—he let his parents tag along—Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Clay.

NOTICE TO FARMERS AND RANCHERS

Your Government urges you to cooperate in the Grease and Fat Salvage Drive by turning in your dead stock. These animals contain Glycerine, which is Valuable in Making Explosives.

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IN THIS OUR HOUR OF PERIL AND NEED.

3 MAIN PLANKS IN SAM RUSSEL'S PLATFORM

CONGRESSMAN SAM M. RUSSEL 17th DISTRICT TEXAS LOOKS YOU STRAIGHT IN THE EYE AND ASKS YOU TO RENOMINATE HIM ON THE STRENGTH OF HIS EXPERIENCE AND THE CHARACTER OF HIS RECORD BY RALPH FAULKNER

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WHAT A BET TEXAS HAS LOST
(An Editorial)

Of course, it was not our business to think things through and out for Texas Democracy; and, if it had been, probably our mind would have lain dormant, as other party leaders' minds have. . . . What we have in mind is a political Pearl Harbor for Texas and the South.

"Murder will out" was true long before Daniel Webster gave it a most famous setting. With Admiral Kimmel, and his co-naval officers, in charge of our Pacific fleet, clamoring for months for a "full investigation," and the Whitehouse insisting it would injure the war effort to have a courtmartial now, the public kept growing more and more suspicious that there was a nigger in the woodpile!

The Grapevine Great Daily got busy, and now it is admitted by all but Roosevelt, Churchill, and their stooges, that Pearl Harbor was a premeditated disaster, planned by other than the Japs.

It is believed that Roosevelt knew it would happen, and did not warn Kimmel and his officers of the impending attack!

Why? The answer is purely psychological!

If the Pacific Fleet had been put on the alert, had sailed out of the quiet, beautiful Pearl Harbor, out into the broad waters of the Pacific, and all hands had been at their posts it is quite certain they that would have warded off the Jap blow; 3500 American boys, the Hawaiian Air base, and our Proud Pacific Fleet would not have been lost!

Had that happened, we in the U. S. who were still pretty cocksure we could whip the world and not half try, would have gone about our business, with a shrug and a grin, and an "I told you we can lick 'em!"

But that is exactly what Churchill and our famous commander-in-chief, the war gods, the industrialists, and planners of world empire buttressed on American Gold and finances, did not want. They wanted to galvanize every American into action! Pearl Harbor did it!

What did Churchill, feigning surprise, exclaim in an expectant voice: "Thank God for that! America will now come in!"

No wonder Roosevelt does not want Kimmel courtmartialled, for he knows the whole dirty mess will come out! Of course he wants to continue President of the United States—he has much to account for, and as long as he has a rubberstamp congress and a pueril Supreme Court personnel, he can keep under cover court procedures!

Dwelling on those grapevine facts which were seeping out through Dallas News editorials, Babson, Drew Pearson, et al., I began to ponder our political difficulties—what is the South going to do with its traditional threat that Jimcrows and segregation shall live?

Then I mulled over our "regular Texas Democrats daring to beard this Modern Dracula in his haunts, and wondered what could happen at Chicago. And Pearl Harbor took its position politically in my mind.

If the rumpers are seated at Chicago, next week; the regulars will find a long-suffering democracy in Texas inclined to go along one more round, and again we shall fall supinely on our backs, and grovel for four more years, while our complete autonomy in local and State affairs shall have passed beyond recall—except at the point of the sword.

This is the Pearl Harbor stunt my mind conjured up—The leaders in State politics should have gone to the negro leaders, and said: "You fellows are Roosevelt's truest Texas Democrats. It is certain he is going to try to deliver you from under the political bondage of the South. So you now have your chance. Hastily call a convention of your own race from all Texas. Organize your True Roosevelt Black Democrats. Choose your delegates to Chicago Democratic Convention July 19; and name your 23 Presidential Electors, pledged vote for Roosevelt for President so long as he do live. Go to Chicago, knock on Roosevelt's Door, and demand that his own children, negro democrats from Texas, be seated!"

Result: Roosevelt is now feasting so powerful in his money control of the South, through his lavish scattering of money among all classes,

that it would have popped into his mind, as it did the Japs 'I can get away with that. It will placate my own dear Harlem, which I am about to lose to Dewey!"

If that had been accomplished, it would have galvanized the entire South into Instant Action politically as did Pearl Harbor militarily.

Every day the South puts off an emphatic meeting of this Roosevelt foisted race issue, the greater will be loss and suffering of the our Southern people and their interest.

NOTHING SHOULD KEEP YOU AWAY FROM THE POLLS, JULY 22, SATURDAY WEEK!

(An Editorial)

Remember this, Citizens of Callahan county: "You have but two effective holds upon your Government:

1. Your ballot;
2. Your right with your fellows to peaceably assemble, and petition your government on your grievances!

Texas realized that when she drew up her primary election law, which controls your conduct next Saturday week: provided for your exercising both of those constitutionally guaranteed reserved rights.

The first thing you should do July 22, is to go vote. Before you go to the ballot box, between now and July 22nd, you and your friends, all of your neighbors ought to get together and decide whom you will vote for for your Precinct chairman, who becomes a member of Callahan County Executive Committee.

You will find the next to the last office on your ballot to be filled is designated thus.

FOR PRECINCT CHAIRMAN, PRECINCT NUMBER:

That blank line is for you to write in the name of the man you want to head your precincts political affairs for the next two years. If you and your neighbors have not talked it over, and agreed on a man, you will write in so many names that the organized few who have been dominating the county so long will win again.

Keep this in mind: The finest safeguard the people ever held over their elected officials has been the old custom, which has about died out, of "two times up and out".

Don't put back either the old executive committeeman, nor one of his choosing, unless he has been there only one term, and then if he is not a child of your ring in Callahan co. which has dominated affairs so long.

Not that any of these men are bad men—they are perhaps among your best citizens—but to be in political control longer than two terms tends to do injury to the best man's thinking—he comes to think no one else can do the job quite so well—he, in his own mind, becomes an indispensable man!

You see the three who finally let the contract to print the ballots did an after dead-line bit of politics.

They wrote me a letter on June 19, two days after last day for candidates seeking county or precinct offices, to have their names placed on the ballot; and they sent with the letter asking for my bid on the printing of the ballots, carbon copy of the sample ballot to be printed.

It did not have Hugh Ross's name on as candidate for County Chairman; but when the ballots came back from the Cross Plains Review, where it was printed, Hugh Ross is down for County Democratic Chairman!

There were at this meeting, at 10:30, June 26, when the sub-committee met to let contract for printing of ballots, only three members.

His name was accidentally or intentionally left off on the 19th of June, when they met to determine the order of names on the ballot, the same day the letters went out to us county printers for bids.

Now I mention that for two reasons: 1. Evidently the committee has been so used to not having their acts questioned or challenged—a thing that always inheres in long, untested control, that they blantly ignore specific instructions of the law; and 2. I had been told by Roy Kendrick that, on receiving Rupert Jackson's resignation, "we just named his mother to complete the year; and decided to put Hugh Ross in as County Chairman!"

I protested when he said that, a

few weeks ago!

Now, personally, I feel that Hugh Ross is on of our best citizens—a clean man, an honorable man, as no doubt all of the old ring are; but there are two reasons why Hugh Ross's name should be scratched off by all voters wanting to untangle this political snarl in Callahan county, in county political affairs.

1. Ross is Mayor of Baird, and an excellent mayor; therefore, he should not be in a position of domination in county political affairs;

2. He is the named-successor of a family that held it so long that no one thought there would ever be a change.

It is certainly against best public policy for any out-going group to name their successors. That is what is the matter with national democracy—a long line of fellows who have taken it on themselves to hold on as long as they can, then name the El-lisha upon whose shoulders the mantle of Elijah may fall.

Therefore, in your hours between now and July 22, you and your neighbors should agree on some outstanding man, other than Hugh Ross, and write his name as county chairman: the last office listed on the ballot.

After you have prepared to vote intelligently next Saturday week, an even bigger task lies before you—attendance upon the precinct convention, which meets at 2:00, July 22, same day as the primary election, in the afternoon, at 2:00, as noted near the polls, or in same place.

You ought to do a lot of thinking and note making between now and then; for you have a very important task before you there—and it falls

into two parts:

First, you must choose delegates to attend a county convention to be held in Baird on the following Saturday, July 29, at which time delegates will be chosen to meet in the State Convention, which meets at Austin, I believe has been named, on September 12;

You choose one delegate to each 25 votes your box cast for Governor at the primary in 1942, or major fraction of 25.

Second, you are duty bound to freely discuss with your neighbors, in this precinct convention, and every qualified voter in the primary is a qualified member of your precinct convention—to repeat, you are duty bound to discuss all public issues, decide what matters should be a part of your party's platform, and adopt a set of resolutions carefully outlining your grievance, as well as your approval of past party acts, if any, and send those resolutions to County convention in hands of your delegates; and unless you do that, your community writes itself out of last and greatest opportunity to protest bad government, or applaud a faithful servant, or right government.

You're the mooted as well as the boasted "grassroots of Democracy!" When the several delegates from the 18 voting precincts meet in Baird there should be 18 sets of resolutions laid before the county convention—and these 18 sets should be carefully gone over, and consolidated into one set, which should go to the State Convention, and the same should be the treatment of the 254 sets from every county and al of the counties

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**REPORT OF CONDITION OF
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AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON JUNE 30, 1944
IN THE STATE OF TEXAS**

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ASSETS	
1. Loans and discounts (including \$458.00 overwraft) guaranteed	\$329,906.71
2. United States Government obligations, direct and	840,108.69
3. Obligations of States and political subdivisions	53,495.54
4. Other bonds, notes and debentures	NONE
5. Corporate stocks (including \$2,400.00 stock of Federal Reserve bank)	2,400.00
6. Cash, balance with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection	1,251,793.74
7. Bank Premises owned \$11,329.13, furniture and fixtures \$6,926.29 (Bank premises owned are subject to \$ lien not assumed by bank)	18,255.42
8. Real estate owned other than bank premises	5.00
9. Investments and other assets indirectly representing bank premises or other real estate	NONE
10. Customers' liability to this bank on acceptances outstanding	NONE
11. Other assets	NONE
12. TOTAL ASSETS	\$2,495,965.10

LIABILITIES	
13. Demand Deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	1,865,442.76
14. Time deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	134,856.04
15. Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	172,907.78
16. Deposits of States and political subdivisions	166,397.23
17. Deposits of banks	NONE
18. Other deposits (certified and cashier's checks, etc.)	13,497.74
19. TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$2,353,101.55
20. Bills payable, rediscounts, and other liabilities for borrowed money	NONE
21. Mortgages or other liens, \$ on bank premises and \$ on other real estate	NONE
22. Acceptances executed by or for account of this bank outstanding	NONE
23. Other liabilities	NONE
24. TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$2,353,101.55

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	
25. CAPITAL STOCK:	
(a) Class A preferred, total par \$18,000.00, retireable value \$18,000.00 (Rate of dividends on retireable value is 3 per cent.)	50,000.00
(b) Class B preferred, total par \$ NONE, retireable value \$ NONE. (Rate of dividends on retireable value is per cent.)	30,000.00
(c) Common stock, total par \$32,000.00	49,744.05
26. SURPLUS	13,119.50
27. Undivided profits	
28. Reserve (and retirement account for preferred stock)	
29. Total Capital Accounts	142,863.55
30. Total Liabilities and Capital Accounts	\$2,495,965.10

MEMORANDA	
31. Pledged assets (and securities loaned) (book value):	
(a) United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed, pledged to secure deposits and other liabilities	454,350.00
(b) Other assets pledged to secure deposits and other liabilities (including notes and bills rediscounted and securities sold under repurchase agreement)	NONE
(c) Assets pledged to qualify for exercise of fiduciary or corporate powers, and for purpose other than to secure liabilities	NONE
(d) Securities loaned	NONE
(e) TOTAL	454,350.00
32. Secured liabilities:	
(a) Deposits secured by pledged assets pursuant to requirements of law	310,363.55
(b) Borrowings secured by pledged assets pursuant to rediscounts and repurchase agreements	NONE
(c) Other liabilities secured by pledged assets	NONE
(d) TOTAL	310,363.55

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Callahan, ss: I, Bob Norrell, cashier, of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

BOB NORRELL, Cashier

(SEAL)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 5th day of July, 1944.

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It is now Staff Sergeant John G. Schaffrina, writes his proud mother of one of boys in Italy. And good luck, John—Staff Srgent John, for we are all proud of you.

Cpl. Cleo D. Craghead with the 5th Army in Italy is hospitalized for malarial fever.

Sgt. Samuel E. Mask, who is in France, wrote his mother recently: "I am well, and doing fine; but awfully busy!"

Tuesday morning Leslie Bryant reported 120 absentee ballots called for, and 20 had been voted—of the 80 or more applied for by boys in the service, the Atlantic and Pacific areas are about 50-50.

Four ladies from Euila spent the day Monday at the Red Cross surgical dressing room. They were—Messrs. J. L. Harris, Ross Farmer, and W. T. Gossiot.

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BAIRD SCHOOL LUNCHROOM HAD SUCCESSFUL YEAR

According to Supt. Olaf South, the fine ladies under the supervision of Mrs. Grace Vaught, served 53,219 meals to the students and teachers of the local school during last term.

More than \$4,000 was spent at the local grocery stores for foodstuffs, not counting the milk which was served, and the commodities furnished free by the Food Administration.

The P.T.A. sponsors the lunch program, and is to be complimented on its successful management.

The lunch room closed the year with a balance of over \$2,000 in the Bank. Recently the TPA bought \$1,222 (cash value) war bonds.

Mrs. Ace Hickman, Mrs. Earl Johnson, Mrs. Fred Hart, Mrs. Col. Dyer and Olaf G. South compose the lunch-room committee.

HOSPITAL NOTES

BABIES BORN—July 8, son, Ronny Ray, to Mr. & Mrs. Ray Tucker of Clyde; and July 10, an 8-lb. son, Charles Earl, to Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Poe.

Mrs. Pat Haley who underwent major surgery 10 days ago, went home Monday.

Mrs. Ted Walls of Denton community was able to go home Tuesday after major operation 14 days ago.

Goldie Lee Crites of Cross Plains had major surgery Monday, and is doing nicely.

Mrs. L. B. McNeal of Clyde entered Tuesday, suffering a pus kidney and anemia.

Mrs. A. M. Waggoner who has been critically ill with strep throat, is some better.

Geo. McWhorter who has been critically ill for three weeks seems to be improving, after taking penicillin.

Mrs. Stafford Alexander of Houston who has been in hospital a week with double pneumonia, is doing nicely at this time.

Mrs. Evans of Houston is a patient suffering pneumonia and strep throat.

Grandma McGee is still with us and seems to be enjoying good health.

Mrs. Ferguson of Oplin entered

Monday night suffering a heart ailment.

Grandma Browning (92) who entered some 2 weeks ago is critically ill, not expected to live long.

Billie Joe Morgan was an X-Ray patient Tuesday.

Gabina Cordina had a tonsillectomy Monday.

ATWOOD OF OPLIN LIKES STAR

Just about the time we are tired enough to say, "Ah, what's the use?" and throw up the sponge, in comes a friend, whom we have never seen, grasps our hand warmly, and says, "Just wanted to come in and meet a man who knows what he is talking about, with courage enough to tell the readers facts, even if they are unpleasant!"

W. T. Atwood of Oplin came in Saturday, and registered as a friend and admirer. He says they miss the good rain which fell in Baird Sunday, July 2, and that crops are suffering for water.

RED CROSS OPENS ROOMS IN CLYDE FOR SURGICAL WORK

We have been able to gain from The Clyde Enterprise the fact that the Callahan county chapter of the red cross has organized a branch in Clyde, at the home economic cottage, work beginning last Monday.

Mrs. Rufus Grisham was made general supervisor.

ARMY LIEUTENANT TED MILES IS PUSHING FAR FRONT

in his race, without campaigning, for the Texas Senate. He was a suc-



cessful business man before entering the Army, and his friends have waged the campaign for him—since it is against Military Orders for a member of the armed forces to enter personally into the campaign.

Of course, Ted Miles will be very happy, if his friends win for him a seat in the State Senate of Texas; and your vote would be a lot of help. And in later years he would probably meet you and show his appreciation personally.

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GOOD WEATHER FOR PESTS

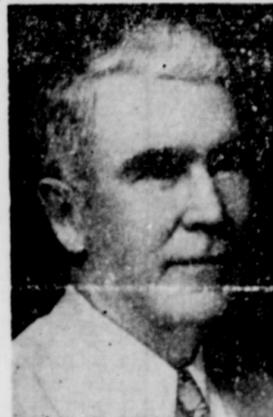
According to County Agent Meador, the temperature during past week has been very favorable for growth and development of garden and truck crop insects. These insects can be controlled if proper application of insecticide is made soon after the insects appear.

Plant lice, a small sap-sucking insect found on the lower surfaces of leaves causes much damage to the plant in a very short time. This insect can be controlled satisfactorily by spraying as follows: 1.5 teaspoonfuls of nicotine sulphate, 1 cu.in. of soap, to 1 gal. of water; or, dust with the nicotine sulphate; 2 teaspoonfuls to 1 qt. of hydrated lime.

DRAT MY BUSY HOURS

I had come to rely on Raymond's bi-weekly postal, notifying me of the business men's luncheon day; and he did not send out cards last week; I was hungry, but alone at work; so did not attend—and now I shall never be able to make up that lost Methodist Feast—meals, like lost sec-

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WANT TO BUY—something; a Want ad might turn the trick for you—minimum charge, 25 cents.

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WANT TO SELL—Something—then you might get results by telling readers about it in the Want Ad section—one cent a word for each issue or insertion; minimum 25 cents

Mrs. Jackson is also visiting in the home of her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Lee—she will be here a month or more.

E. L. Woodley left this week for New York and Washington, on business, and to see the daughters and Mrs. Woodley, who has been up in the (yankee-infested) East for some time. Says he will be back when he learns what Dewey and the rest have cooking.

Mr. & Mrs. Homer Boatwright were complimented this week by a visit from their new grandson from Big Springs—he let his parents tag along—Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Clay.

ST. LOUISIANS VISITING HERE

Mrs. James Jackson and daughter Jeanne are here from St. Louis, inculcating herself again with the Callahan county ozone, and visiting her mother, Mrs. M. B. Nichols, and sister Mrs. Kattie Spicer, who is taking a month off from her duties as Secretary-Office girl in the county agnt's office to be with her sister.

NOTICE TO FARMERS AND RANCHERS

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RED CROSS SURGICAL DRESSING ROOM BUSY AGAIN

Work began July 3 on 34,200 surgical dressings allotted to Baird and Calahan county.

Thursday afternoon 25 Clyde women came for instructions. They opened a room in Clyde July 10, and Mrs. Rufus Grisham is chairman. The following ladies worked from

1 to 9 hours each day names appear:
MONDAY—Willie Barnhill, Vida Hill, Anna Jackson, Ellen Hollingshead, Franky Anderson, Belle Allphin, Pattie McBride, Bess Gibson, Maude Hart, Elizabeth Fetterly, Ruby Young, Lella McGowen, Juanita Danielson, Mable Warren, Norma Baulch, Emma Wristen, Eva Lee.
TUESDAY—Belle Allphin, Franky Anderson, Vida Hill, Gladis Webster, Pattie McBride, Anna Jackson, Maude Hart, Elizabeth Fetterly, Juanita Danielson, and Mable Warren.
WEDNESDAY— Norma Baulch, Josie Jones, Maude Hart, Elizabeth Fetterly, Pattie McBride, Beulah Hickman, Lella McGowen, Ruby Young, Franky Anderson, Belle Allphin, Bettie Allphin, Flora Mask, Mable Warren, Beulah Dyer, Ellen McGowen, and Ida Louise Fetterly.
THURSDAY—Willie Barnhill, Ellen McGowen, Belle Freeland, Ida L. Fetterly, Elizabeth Fetterly, Lella McGowen, Leah Edwards, Vida Hill, Belle Allphin, Jean Brumbaugh, Margaret White, Maude Cunningham, Franky Anderson, Clara Blakeley, Mable Warren, Dollie Fulton, Thelma Berry, S. E. Roberson, Anna Belle Tabor, J. I. South, Fewel Swanzy,

Jessie Byrd, J. E. Ray, C. H. Good, W. E. Norwood, Homer Kennard, E. Ackers, John Estes, Ellen Bailey, Rufus Grisham, Ina Mantooth, Beulah Dyer, Frances D. Dawe, Cardie T. Bailey, S. I. Freeman, Herman Wooley, Norma Baulch, Beulah Taylor, Alice Crutchfield, Juanita Danielson, Maude Hart, Maurice Hays, Lorene Foster, Katherine Hinds, and Beulah Hickman.
FRIDAY— Bessie Gray, Maybelle Cline, Elizabeth Fetterly, Josie Jones, Belle Allphin, Ida L. Fetterly, Thelma Berry, Loraine Roberson, Ivah L. Ashley, Mary Edith Brandt, Ellen Bailey, Mae Kennard, Exall Freeman, Mary Loy Freeman, Ina Mantooth, Vernemna Freeman, John Estes, Marion Hays, Ellen Byrd, Norma Maulch, Franky Anderson, Ellen McGowen, Lella McGowen, Katherine Hinds, Rufus Grisham, and Agnes Kennard.
We made a total of 203 4x8 inch dressings, and 5225 4x4 surgical dressings. Total number of hours worked was 393.
Putnam will open their room about July 17th. Her palades are now being instructed on the work.
—Mrs. W. A. Fetterly, Co.-C. Surgical Dressing Work

POULTRY SCHOOL NEAR CLYDE TO BE HELD JULY 20.

There will be held a one-day poultry school on the poultry farm of Dr. J. T. Driswell, July 20, according to announcement made this week by W. M. Meador, County Agent, and Miss Dorothy Wilkerson, County Home Demonstration Agent.
The meeting will start at 10:00 a. m., and continue into the afternoon until the program is complete. A picnic lunch will be spread on the ground. Earl Hays of Clyde will be program chairman.
Program as follows: Dr. W. A. Boney, Extension Poultry Veannarien will discuss insects and diseases of turkeys and chickens, and will demonstrate blood testing for pullorum diseases in turkey hens;
Ted Martin, Extension poultryman, will discuss care of turkey laying hens including feeding and management of the turkey flock.
In addition, a demonstration will be given on selecting brood breasted

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A lady came in from Abilene, Saturday, and urged us to run notice that male laborers, skilled and unskilled are wanted in Hawaii. If you want a job for at least 18 months, see U. S. Employment service, at Abilene. The lady was Mrs. Esther Scholl.
Mrs. Tarver sent in items about William L. and Cleo D. Craighead, and we sincerely thank her for it—please, folks, send in all of your social news, especially about your sons in service.

ATTENTION! ALL HOME CANNERS!

Before you begin your 1944 canning, Good Housekeeping Magazine advises you: use the boiling-water bath method for tomatoes and fruits, only. Can all vegetables except tomatoes by the correct use of pressure cooker to be sure of killing botulius germs. In the last few years, cases of botulius food poisoning have cropped up in widely different parts of the country. Buy, borrow, share a pressure cooker—but don't can low-acid vegetables any other way. If you want further information, write Good Housekeeping, 959 Eighth Ave., New York 19, N. Y.

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bronze hens. Talks will also will be made onn the management of the poultry laying flock, including feeding, housing, culling, and sanitation.
Each family attending is asked to bring a small picnic lunch in order that everyone wishing to attend for the entire day will be able to do so.
Everyone interested in laying hens or teurkeys is urged to attend the school.
FAYNE HOLLINGSHEAD WHO Is in training at Camp Barkeley, will finish within the next ten days
his course in the Cooks and Bakers' School. Olaf is in a hospital in San Diego, taking training as Pharmacy Mate in the Navy.
L. R. PEARSON CALLED TUESDAY CAMPAIGNING
That Ranger fellow who is out for the Legislature called Tuesday, and somehow you kind of feef after talking to him that he would be a safe man to send to Austin, and at least, he will take a fresh viewpoint with him, and that is sorely needed.



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