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A POOR FARM WOMAN FOR GOVERNOR!

Sorry, Minnie, but your "one purpose" in seeking to be Governor of Texas—in your own circular announcement words—"is to mobilize the strength and resources of the great state of Texas behind the men and women who are doing the fighting in this war," is some years behind the actual doing of that very thing!

The people in a democracy need no guvener to mobilize them— Pearl Harbor did that; and the work would have been far ahead of what it is, if you "self-starting mobilizers" the last one of you was in the creek in water too deep for you, actually as you are politically—and it is salt creek, Minnie.

Minnie is a farm girl who never rubby-dubbed clothes, never bent her "manly" torso to worm the garden sass; nor nursed the colicky brat when the doctor could not be located

—Minnie is a new dealer who got not only fat salary checks from the plenty through scarcity crowd, and we dare her to list the fat pea-chex, the fat parity chex, the fat plow-up cotton chex, the fat soil and tank conservation chex, the fat cow and sow killing checks—on her poor little 1000-acre farm in Walker!

No, glance at the circular— she brags about having a 1200-acre little old farm!

She's one of the star gazers who wants to sit in some air-cooled office, and tell real farmers, and other folks, wwhere, wwhene and how to work—she is a socialist-communist-facist- and wwhat have you, until the divking up of her 1200-acre little farm comes—then, well?

Minnie says, "I have been supporting all farm programs which would help farmers to grow more FOOD for the war effort. My own farm land is planted in COTTON. Feed and timber!"

ARE YOU ABLE TO LIFT YOUR HEAD ABOVE THE STORM OF BATTLE?

MY GOD DOES NOT FIT INTO THE PICTURE AS YOU FIT YOURS SO SMUGLY!

A man asked, "Why have you so little to say about the war—Invasion day, then invasion week —and you have no headline!"

I replied, "I am the first to know when things are beyond me, when things overwhelm me!"

"Then, only silence born of benumbed sensibilities, is the only fruit on my tree of knowledge!"

"Then," he continued, "is that why you fail to turn up at the churches for prayer with the people?"

And again, I must confess that my

My God is sorry for those victims on both sides of this holocaust; and my finiteness drives into the closet when I would pour out my lamentations; and not yet has there come a thought or an impulse to ask God to give us the victory—if it is within his provence, He will settle that far beyond my ken!

And then, the fellow asked: "Why do you not fly the flag in front of your business?" and I reply, "Because I love it too much to ever put it on my weak pedestal! That flag is a symbol of a great marching nation to battle; and has no place except at the head of marching men in the defense of our country, or to

sense of God, vague as it may be, makes it impossible for me to place him in a position of greater favor towards us than towards our enemy!

I can not visualize God as an American or Allies' God—but my so finite mind is able to vaguely see Him above the din of battle, the anxious father whose sons are hurling themselves at each others throats—and powerless to stay their murderous hands!

A God that took sides in man's murderous struggles, would be only a half god to me—a clan's god!

I can't think of God being any closer to my son than He is to the Jap boy or the German youth—those that are being hurled at each others throats are not responsible—they are made the victims of leaders who ought to die in their stead!

No; these boys on both sides did not choose to die for freedom; they were dragged from their homes by an even crueler fist than a mailed fist, home folks who kept repeating the threnody, "I'm proud of you because you are brave, and willing to die for freedom!"

mark their bivouac between marches! Moses walked shod before God until he saw God in the Burning Bush; then he tore his shoes from his feet!

To too many of us, the flag has been made common as the bush, because just plain folks grab it and march with it in their hands!

Watch your son in Uniform, he never forgets the flag atop his bivouac pole, or in the hand of one of his buddies; but he will walk up and down your streets by your flag many times a day, and never salute!

I love the flag; not because of its color, or its position; but because it is the rallying symbol, and marching symbol of men who have turned aside to right an injury or to redress a wrong!

It has never become common to me nor have I loved it because I was taught to salute it! I love it because it emerged from my understanding of what it means!

It is not my personal flag, and I have no right to appropriate it in my personal affairs—it is my flag and your flag beckoning on the marching victorious hosts—and it must be there to be worthy of my great love for it.

V FOR FIVE AND V FOR VICTORY



CONTRACTORS' NOTICE OF TENDERS FOR HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Sealed proposals for constructing 24,787 miles of Seal Coat from miles east of Coahoma to Mitchell county line, from Eastland County line to Baird, on Highway No. 80, covered by M-5-6-14, & M 7-1&2 10 & 11 in Howard and Callahan county, will be received at the Highway Department, Austin, until 10:00 A. M., June 22, 1944, and then publicly opened and read. The wage rates generally prevailing in this locality,

which are listed below, shall apply as minimum wage rates for those employees employed and paid by the Contractor, on this project.

Table listing job titles and wages: Title of "Laborer" Prevailing Per Diem Based on Eight hr. Working Day \$8.00; Mechanic 8.00; Carpenter 8.00; Blade Grader Operator 4.00; Roller Operator 4.00; Distributor Operator or Driver 4.00; Tractor Operator 4.00; Broom Operator 4.00; Spreader Box Operator 4.00; Truck Driver (over 1.5 tons) 4.00; Blacksmith 4.00; Fireman (Asphalt Plant) 4.00; Oiler 4.00; Weigher 4.00; Truck Driver (1.5 tons or less) 3.20; Flagman 3.20; Unskilled Laborer 3.20; Watchman 2.80.

Table listing job titles and wages: Water Boy 2.40; Legal holiday work shall be paid for at the regular governing rates. Plans and specifications available at the office of J C Roberts, resident Engineer, Abilene, Texas, and Highway Department, Austin. The Usual rights reserved. 9-40-3768 R.

Good Stock Tires, Tubes and Automobile Parts at RAY MOTOR COMPANY Phone 33 tfc Baird, Texas

YOUNG PEOPLE ATTENDED Y. P. ASSEMBLY

The following young Bairdians attended the Young People's Assembly at McMurray College last week: Cell West, Jr., Billy Rea and Norman West.

Rev. Hicks, pastor of the Baird Methodist Church took them over early in the week, and brought them back, later in the week.

After hauling about 20 wheelbarrows of dirt to fill in the drive, in afternoon of Tuesday, then milking his cow, feeling all tired out, Rev. Hicks was looking longingly to a nice supper and an easy cahir—but up came a parishioner with, "You may have beans to can if you will come for them"—and being Scotch off he went for them, picking a bush el, and back to the snapping for the canner; which he and the Missus agreed to put off until Wednesday!

No sooner started Wednesday on the beans, than in came word, "You may have dew berries, if you will come and pick them!" so he left the amiable, cultured Mrs. Hicks over the canner, and off he went for the berries—so when he came, tongue almost out, into the office a day early, same afternoon, with the copy for the Sunday Program, he said, "I'm worn to a frazzle—I'm going to tomorrow to visit a sister in Abilene, and bring the youngpeople home Friday!"

Well, when preachers roll up their pants legs and got to work like that seems like the last excuse of loafing Tom's gone—Tom always said, "I cut as much wood as them Methodist preachers!"

MEN'S LUNCHEON CLUB MET IN FORTNIGHTLY MEETING AT METHODIST CHURCH, WED.

Every plate had its hungry man at the Business Men's Luncheon on last Wednesday, and then The Baird

They keep fighting— You keep buying WAR BONDS



We Say, "Save Now!" Buy U. S. War Bonds Now!

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BAIRD

HOSPITAL NOTES

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Maner of Clyde, June 16th, a 9.5 pound boy named James Leroy.

Mrs. Pierce of Oplin was a medical patient, Sat. night and Sunday. Elizabeth Ann daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Snyder had a tonsillectomy Tuesday.

Mrs. Don Higgins of Admiral left Hospital Monday night, after being in several days as a medical patient.

Madeline and Tom, son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Johnson, were tonsillectomy patients Tuesday.

George McWhorter who had major surgery ten days ago, is still seriously ill.

Mrs. J. A. Hagar of Moran underwent surgery last Tuesday, and is doing nicely.

Mrs. Ted Walls of Oplin was a medical patient from Wednesday to Saturday.

T. J. Thompson from Clyde entered hospital last week account kidney trouble.

Grandma Browning who has been a patient for several days suffering a broken hip is seriously ill.

Grandma McGee is still with us. J. E. Franklin who entered last week with a broken leg is doing as well as could be expected.

Tom Poindexter of Oplin came in Saturday for an x-Ray check-up.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Stevenson of Lockney visited last week with Mrs. Myrtle Edwards.

Gasoline Alley By Frank King

DIG DOWN AND PUT OVER THAT



Willys builds the rugged Jeep

- Light Truck, Passenger Car, Light Tractor, Power Plant

Ad No. 1288A

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Baird Star is authorized by the candidates for public office listed below to announce their candidacies for office as indicated: Subject to the action of the Democratic Primary, July 22, 1944.

- FOR SHERIFF: B. O. BRAME, First Election. W. A. PETERSON
FOR COUNTY CLERK: LESLIE BRYANT, Re-Election.
FOR TREASURER: MRS. WILL McCOY, Re-Election.
FOR TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR: MRS. T. W. BRISCOE, Re-Election
DISTRICT CLERK: RAYMOND YOUNG, Re-Election.
FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY: Carl P Hulsey, first term THOMAS E. HAYDEN, JR. W. E. MARTIN, of Abilene.
FOR FLORIAL REPRESENTATIVE: W. B. STARR, Cisco, Rt. 4 OMAR BURKETT of Eastland. L. R. PEARSON of Ranger.
FOR COUNTY JUDGE: B. H. FREELAND, Re-elec. LESTER FARMER of Eula.
FOR CONGRESS, 17TH DISTRICT: BOB WAGSTAFF, Abilene. SAM M. RUSSELL, Re-election.
FOR COMMISSIONER Precinct No. 2: CLYDE T. FLOYD Lucien Warren, Re-Election Precinct No. 1: H. A. WARREN, re-election. M. E. JOLLY

DALLAS NEWS DELIVERED DAILY ABILENE DELIVERED TWICE DAILY See-or-Call C. W. Conner Reporter-News Phone 21 BAIRD, TEXAS

Wylie Funeral Home AMBULANCE SERVICE Lady Embalmer and Attendant Flowers For All Occasions Phones 68 or 38 BAIRD, TEXAS

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B. L. RUSSELL ATTORNEY-AT-LAW (Office at Courthouse) BAIRD, TEXAS

L. L. BLACKBURN ATTORNEY-AT-LAW BAIRD, TEXAS

L. B. LEWIS ATTORNEY-AT-LAW General Civil Practice Fire and Auto Insurance BAIRD, TEXAS

DR. V. E. HILL DENTIST X-RAY (Office Upstairs Telephone Bldg.) BAIRD, TEXAS

# BIG-LITTLE ADS

Read Little . . . Save Much!

FOR SALE—Two desirable lots in Baird; would exchange for acreage in Clyde vicinity. Prefer tillable land. Write Mrs. R. A. Elder, 1302 Main Big Springs, Texas. 4tc. 6-30

STORE ROOM FOR RENT—See Madison Montgomery at Morgan's Feed Store. 1tf.

First Class Mechanics to do your car repair—also washing and greasing service for you at **RAY MOTOR COMPANY** Phone 33 tfe Baird, Texas

FOR SALE—New crop Hegaria! See Will Appleton, Baird Route 1. 3tp 7-7-44.

W. E. MARTIN, CANDIDATE FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY 42ND JUDICIAL DISTRICT!



A strange creature appeared before me at the linotype, Wednesday: a lawyer with 26 years of practice behind, who said, "I am announcing for District Attorney of this Judicial District, and wish to make my announcement!"

I saw that he had the hands of a machinist, and replied, "I need a lino-operator more than we need a District Attorney!"

He smiled and said, "I could master it; but I have been with the tool makers of Consolidated Aircraft at Fort Worth!"

And I fell for him like a ton of brick, and said, "It's almost noon; I go soon to Men's Luncheon—come as my guest; I'm too busy to talk now; but any man who can use his hands in any skilled art, approaches the meeting of my belief that only with in tune with the right things of life."

His statement will appear next week, but here is his face this week: Meet Candidate W. E. Martin of Abilene, and tool maker of Consolidated Aircraft at Fort Worth, where this paper goes to him; Rt. 2, Box 123 Fort Worth—and by the way, he

says that if you would hand out his card while he is doing defense work, to just drop him a card there!

MASONIC OFFICERS FOR 1944-45 OF BAIRD LODGE NO. 522 AF&AM

W. C. White, W. M. D. J. Anderson, S. W. R. L. Dunnwody, J. W.; T. E. Powell, Treas.; J. Brice Jones, Sec'y; M. A. Cline, Tiler; Olaf G. South, S. D.; W. O. McWhorter, J. D. G. N. Tankersley, S. S.; T. A. White, J. S.; F. E. Stanley, Marshall, and E. B. Mullican, Chaplain.

Mesdames Edgar Smith and Herbert Short and little daughter visited relatives in Fort Worth last week end. Mrs. Smith saw her three brothers who are in widely separated areas of the war.

Miss Christine Hicks was vacationing with her sister, Mrs. Ed Heller of Wichita Falls is home again.

Mrs. C. H. Lanham of Potosi is spending some time here with her daughter, Mrs. Thelma Shelton. Her husband recently left for army service.

Mrs. Guy Rachal of Ft. Stockton with her husband and daughter, Margaret, spent Thursday night in the home of her aunt, Mrs. L. L. Blackburn.

Mrs. Mary Mae Cluskey, from Orange, Texas, visited her nother, Mrs. J. N. Tyson, and her mother returned to Orange with her.

FREE CANNING SCHOOL FOR U!

The canning school at the lunch room under the supervision of Mesdames Yarbrough and Vaught is free to all who will avail themselves of it. Every thing is free, says Mrs. Yarbrough, and you are invited to come and bring your canning!

One of Baird's Girls, Miss Maxine

## Iced Coffee and Milk Combine In Cooling, Hot-Weather Drink



Make iced "Cafe Au Lait" to serve this summer with lunch, dinner, or as between-meal refreshment.

Cafe Au Lait, that popular half-coffee, half-milk beverage, is a delicious hot-weather cooler when served iced.

The best iced coffee is made by pouring hot, freshly made, double-strength coffee over ice cubes, and the same goes for making Iced Cafe Au Lait. In this case, both the milk and coffee are poured hot into tall glasses filled with ice cubes.

Freshness and strength are vitally important in making good iced coffee. Double-strength brew is needed to counteract the diluting effect of melting ice, and since Iced Cafe Au

Lait is further diluted with milk, you may wish to make the coffee triple-strength. The strength of your coffee depends also on how fresh it is, so it is wise to use glassed coffee from a vacuum-packed jar which protects the contents from the air. Make sure the resealable cap is kept securely closed when the jar is not in use.

Iced Cafe Au Lait: (For 5 servings.) Scald one pint of milk and cool. Make one pint of double- or triple-strength coffee. Fill tall glasses with ice cubes. Then, half fill the glasses with scalded milk, and fill to top with freshly made hot coffee.

Ross, recently completed her business course in Abilene, and has accepted a position at Berkeley Field.

MAUD GREEN AND STAMFORD

Maud sends us a nice long piece about Stamford's going to entertain Texas Cowboys next July 3 and 4th.

in a grand re-union; and the piece is charmingly written, but space and time hurls it squarely into the waste basket.

Harmon Smith of Admiral left June 14th for the Army—may he never reach the front lines!

### BEGINNING MONDAY, JUNE 12TH

Our shop will be open only 4 days each Weew, as follows—Monday, Thursday Friday and Saturday—Don't Forget!

MODERN BEAUTY SHOP MANCHE ESTES, MANAGER

### CHURCH OF CHRIST SERVICES

Bible Class at 10:00 o'clock. Worship at 11:00 o'clock. Bro. Galloway, Camp Barkeley, is to preach for us, Sunday. All are invited to meet and worship with us.

Miss Nelma Joyce Kimmell of

Houston arrived Tuesday to spend most of the summer with her grandmother, Mrs. Joe Alexander.

Roy Jarrett came home from Levelland for a visit with his family. On his return he took with him Johnnie Manning who will work for the same cement company of Colorado and Kansas.

### Try some of Our Warm Weather Specials COLD PLATE—

Assorted Cold Meats, Cheese, Potato Salad, Hard Boiled Egg, And those Good Dinner Rolls Crisp Fruit Salad with a toll Glass of Iced Tea is just right for a summer Supper—make you sleep!

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## HI-WAY CAFE

(In Post Office Block)

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Call Collect...4001 or 6513

Sundays and Holidays call 6513 Abilene, Texas P. O. Box 432

50-12tp.

# ARE YOUR POCKETS STRIPPED FOR ACTION?



This is it.

The zero hour all over the world. The big push we've waited for so long.

This is the time for belts to be worn tighter. For pockets to be scraped. For every last American to wring more dollars out of himself than he thought he could spare!

The U. S. Treasury needs \$16,000,000,000 right now! \$6,000,000,000 from individuals alone. That's more than \$100 in cash from



every wage-earning person in the country! We're going to have to double what we did last time!

Just to show you the seriousness of this drive, our Government says—it's probably the biggest effort we'll ever be called upon to make!

Don't fail the boys who've got the dirtiest, bloodiest fighting still ahead of 'em. Buy Bonds as if the battle depended on YOU! FOR IT DOES!

Back the Attack! - BUY MORE THAN BEFORE

- The following Firms, Business and Professional Men Sponsor the above as a Courtesy to the Treasury, and to Encourage Bond Buying—
- ASHLOCK INSURANCE AGENCY
  - BAIRD MUNICIPAL LIGHT PLT.
  - L. G. BARNHILL, BLACKSMITH
  - L. L. BLACKBURN, ATTORNEY
  - BOWLUS & BOWLUS Hardware.
  - SMITTY'S GARAGE.
  - B. L. BOYDSTUN, HARDWARE
  - WILL D. BOYDSTUN, Dry Goods
  - BRASHEAR FOOD STORE
  - CITY CAFE
  - CITY PHARMACY
  - EARL JOHNSON MOTOR CO.
  - FIRST NATIONAL BANK of Baird
  - SAM GILLILAND PLUMBING
  - GRAY'S STYLE SHOP
  - GEORGE E. PERRY, OIL
  - SUT'S OCTANE STATION
  - HOLMES DRUG STORE
  - HOME LUMBER COMPANY
  - HOME TELEPHONE COMPANY
  - JACKSON ABSTRACT COMPANY
  - JOHNSON'S DRY CLEANERS
  - JONES DRY GOOD COMPANY
  - MAYFIELD'S
  - McELROY'S
  - NORVELL-BOYD GROCERY
  - OCTANE OIL REFINING CO.
  - THE BAIRD STAR
  - O. K. RUBBER WELDER
  - RAMSEY VARIETY STORE
  - RAY MOTOR COMPANY
  - REDWINE'S ROCK ROOMS
  - RUSSELL-SURLES ABSTRACT CO.



## What can you say to a wounded soldier?

Never mind the sympathy—he doesn't want it! In his mind, he did his duty, and part of his duty was stopping an enemy bullet.

You have a duty, too, in this war. Part of your duty is to buy War Bonds with every dime and dollar you can.

So simply say "thanks" to a wounded soldier, by buy-

ing your full share of War Bonds in the Fifth War Loan. Don't expect credit—you can't match his sacrifice by merely lending your money. But don't be ashamed, either—if you've done your duty, you've shown your gratitude—the way he wants you to.

Say "thanks" to every American soldier—double the Bonds you bought before.



Back the Attack! - BUY MORE THAN BEFORE

MARKET STREET AND MEN AND WOMEN IN THE SERVICE

(Cnt. From Front Page)

Jailer Bill Ray will come in to plead for at least one prisoner so that he may feel like he is doing jail work. Down in the Basement you find the Callahan county Library in charge of Mrs. Rosa Ryan...

same place you left the Norvell-Boyd Grocery, and find Glen and the boss, assisted by Mrs. Lillian Atwood, Mrs. Merle Neel, Bonnie Thompson and Bill Pool; and out of this you go only to run smack into Uncle Sams non-profit-sharing emporium...

books, and Billy June Farmer keeps the important papers wherever Bob can find one, and Hazel Reynolds keeps track of ration tickets and car bonds; while Jim Strickland tries to janitor their litter out each night. Uncle Tom Windham comes in and as president makes 'em scurry about and Ace Hickman, Henry James and A. R. Kelton may sneak in as vice-presidents, if the y keep their shoes shined...

occupying the whole block; and the J. W. McAuley's are dishing out the food by the tons, assisted by Mary Cov, Mildred Hargrove, Bettie Goble Jesse Poe, Bill Paulson, Tillie Semmler, Clint Haynes, Ed Henderson, Pernice Maccagno and Grady Davis. The 3 recreation halls are open with J. J. Holley, W. J. Cooke and E. E. Crawford managing them. The old theatre building across the alley from T & P Cafe is paneless with the Frenchdoors looking about like some of the actual French dors where you doughboys are messing around in the German area; but the Tankersley-Swinson barber shop is as chipery as ever...

come down for another visit his brother Jack. We claim J. L. as a Bardian, as he finished high school here in 1942. He low Jokeys a B-17 Bomber when on duty. Guests in the home of Mrs. Hardwicke last week-end were her sister, Mrs. Mark Wilkinson, and family of Texon. Also her daughter, Miss Ruth a Y-2-c with the WAVES in Dallas. Cpl. Sam I. Smith, USMC, 2nd Casual Co. Guard Bn. Marine Corps Base, San Diego, Cali. is getting the Star. GOLDSBORO BOY AWARDED A COMBAT INFANTRYMAN BADGE There comes to our deska censored story from the South Pacific area, the American Division at Bougainville this statement:—"For his performance of duty in action against the enemy on Bougainville, Pfc. Raymond Lee, Route 1, Goldsboro, Texas over seas seven months, has been awarded the Combat Intantryman Badge."

from his duties with Pennsylvania Ship Yards in Beaumont. PINING FOR DUSTORM IN MID-OCEAN, DID G W CRUTCHFIELD Mrs. Crutchfield gave us her son's new address—S-Sgt. G. W. Crutchfield, 38042422, 632 Eng. L. E. Co. APO 403, care P. M. New York. He wrote her—"In going over to England, I saw so much water that a Westtexas sand storm would look good!" Mrs. Otto Schaffrina called by on Monday and reported that her son, Sgt. John Schaffrina is in Italy and had met his old pal Lloyd Jones. Mrs. J. B. Crutchfield and little daughter Mary Frances of San Saba visited her mother Mrs. Myrtle Edwards over the week-end and her husband's parents, Mr and Mrs G. W. Crutchfield. She will begin teaching in a summer school soon. Cpl. James W. Earp, formerly at Scott Field, Ill., stopped by home on his way to a new base in Georgia. Sgt. J. C. Earp, Jr., is still in India and receiving his Star. Barney D. Stockton E-2-c is still in the South Pacific. He writes that it is time for the mail to stop and the work to start. Mrs. Morris Cooke and baby came in to the Star office Friday to give some news of her husband, First Lt. Morris H. Cooke, who is in Italy, with the air corps, flying a Fortress. Mrs. Cooke and baby are making their home here 'til the Lt. Cooke returns home. He says he has met up with some Baird boys—Otto Schaffrina among them. ERRORS LAST WEEK IN STAR Mrs. W. B. Tarver says her son has flown 151 missions instead of 51 and that we had him the son of W. R. Tarver, and should have been W. B. He brought back numbers of trinkets as well as Jap money, but his most prized possession is a Jap officers pistol. He is now wating at a rest camp at Miami Beach. His younger brother Pfc James F. Tarver, a marine, is somewhere in Southwest Pacific, and has been since March 1. And a brother-in-law Cpl Cleo D. Craighead is with the 45th in Italy. Mrs. W. E. Mobley was over from Clyde Sunday for a visit with her mother, Mrs. Walter Boyd. Rev and Mrs. Hicks are enjoying a visit this week from their son, Wm. B. Jr., who is off for a few days.

On top floor you run into Raymond Young, may be; if not Nettie Gilliland, who guards the docketless District Court records, and this morning I ran into Judge Long who is anticipating nothing more terrifying than a divorce suit; and intimating he is so tired of docketless courts he is seeking wider fields as an appeal judge. On the floor you find W. M. Mead or and helper, Mrs. Katye Spicer at work trying to increase pedigreed feed and stock; while The FSA office cared for by Nathan A. Waldrop and Miss Joyce Hunt of Anson looks after the farmers too. And, would you believe it? That Draft Board still hold sway on this floor with the affable Royce Gilliland and Miss Burma Warren keeping vigil over those boys who are reaching induction status. This morning Royce was reliving the old 36th Division, and proudly saying, "Our 36th are now spearheading north of Rome." But we gotta hurry on if we get back to the depot for the mails; so we bump into Glen Boyd Beanery at

Howard Farmer and F. L. Jones his assistants, while Blanche Jones, Viva Tucker and Ellen Gee Tankersley keep their errors kicked out of the

City Cafe has moved south one or two doors, and Shanks in season is maturing eggs into fuzzy cheepers,

Dear Folks: No doubt you are very surprised to receive this letter, I'm still not sure I'm here, but I'm sure that I'd rather not be here. I don't know if I wrote you about this from China. Everything was so confused and unreal. Here is the situation: I'm in Washington at the present on official business. In a day or two my duty here will end and I will be sent to a hospital, probably at Denver, for the next six or seven months—that isn't good. In a chest X-Ray in China they found a spot on my right lung. Gen. Chennault was considerate in that he had me on my way to the States and treatment in two days after the spot was found. Probably none of you would recognize me—I've lost so much weight. I had to leave China at the wrong time because action had begun to boil. To do it all off, I was by order of Gen. Chennault being made Major. I was given the 16th Squadron, July 1st. Then they found the spot and all was off of course. Such luck as I have. I really can't realize I'm in the U. S. again after being out for a year and a half. Such food; such beds; such women! But I can't enjoy it for the thought of having to go to a sanatorium. I might as well not any punches. I've really the first stages of unsanitary conditions. That is the diagnosis. Hell of a thing for me to have, a "hunger" fighter pilot! Well, I won't fly anymore for a while. Might as well face it. I'll write often, and will wire you from wherever I'm confined which, as I said, will probably be Denver. I'm sure all of you are well and I'd love to see you, but no leave in my condition. We will arrange for you to visit me when I'm settled. It only took five days to come from China. I made the North Atlantic crossing this time to Canada, and down. I'll write you my address later when I'm sure of it. Love to all. Your son, J. R. Brown.

AND IT WAS GOLDEN WINGS! Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Yarbrough and Guslyland attended the graduation exercises of their son Bill Yarbrough, who received his "gold wings" and is now an ensign in the U. S. Navy. Bill returned home with them and will be here 15 days. S-Sgt. and Mrs. Billy Mathis and daughter Billye Jean of Santa Fe, N. M. were guests of her parents Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Dennis the former week. Mrs. Mathis is the former Ila Dennis. STAFF SERGEANT HOME Harold Alexander came home recently after finishing training in Seattle, Washington. Until he must leave for Lincoln, Neb., June 28th, he will divide his time between his people and his wife's people in Midway community, where his wife and baby son reside with her parents. She was Miss Bettie Jones before marriage. He is a staff sergeant in the air Air Corps of The Army. Lt. J. L. Ashlock Jr. was granted an extension on his furlough from Sou City Army Air Base, so he has

FACTS ABOUT BAIRD YOUR HOME-TOWN The bonded indebtedness of the City of Baird has been reduced \$17,000.00 during the past five years, interest on the balance reduced by more than two per cent. The City's bonds that were offered for sale at 80 a few years ago, are now selling for about 120. Doesn't this show a sound condition of your City's finances? CITY OF BAIRD

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You are more likely to secure OPA purchase certificates and to find a good selection of gas heaters by attending to next winter's heating needs now. Certificates are issued to those who really need heating equipment on a monthly quota basis. There are fewer applications for these certificates during summer months. So now is the time to get set for winter heat.

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