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THE BAIRD STAR

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SUPPORT OUR HOME TOWN

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Humphries, Sipe Springs, Celebrate Golden Wedding Anniversary



Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Humphries of Sipe Springs, observed their Golden Wedding Anniversary Christmas Eve day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Hord. Another daughter from California was here for the holidays. Two grandchildren and four great grandchildren were present: Mr. and Mrs. Lee Loper,

Thomas and Robert of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Bill W. Jones, Brenda and Scottie from Beaumont.

Mr. and Mrs. Humphries came to Texas from Arkansas in 1916 and have made their home in Sipe Springs. He operates a grocery store and filling station.

They were married Dec. 24, 1907 in Camden, Ark.

Hickman Open House Held Sunday

The Ace Hickmans had their annual Open House at their palatial home east of town Sunday afternoon from 2 to 5 p. m.

The house was beautifully decorated with cedar, pine branches, all kinds of evergreen and numbers of damonnas and other figurines artistically arranged to give the guests the feeling they were really in the midst of Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Hickman greeted guests at the door, which was draped with a lariat and an early day rifle in the original buckskin sheath. The ranch style early day Christmas idea was also carried out in the table appointments with an old-fashioned kerosene lamp and red-checked napkins. Refreshments of sandwiches, cookies, candy, tea and coffee were served all during the calling hours.

Bea Hickman, of Big Spring, and Betsy Hickman, of San Marcos, were here for the occasion. Also Mr. and Mrs. Reaves Hickman from Albany. Others in the house party were Dr. and Mrs. McGowen, Mr. and Mrs. Blackburn, Mr. and Mrs. Norrell, Mr. and Mrs. Bell, Mr. and Mrs. McElroy, Mmes. Driskill, Hill, Jackson, Brightwell, and Mrs. Drew Beam, of Oklahoma City.

Mrs. Hill and Mrs. Bell gave violin and piano music during the afternoon. Mrs. McElroy led the singing of Christmas carols. Mrs. Norrell registered over 200 guests from Baird, Albany, Abilene, Clyde, Dallas, Tulsa, Okla., and Denver, Colo.

Jr. Wednesday Club Holds Party

The Junior Wednesday Club held their annual Christmas dinner in the Dining Room of Patterson's Cafe Monday, Dec. 16. After the dinner, the club members gathered at the home of Mrs. Eubanks to exchange gifts and a beautifully decorated Christmas tree. Mrs. Eubanks was honored with a surprise shower.

Mrs. Johnny Swinson and Mrs. Lyndon White were welcomed as new members into the club.

Attending were: Mmes. George Warren, Bruce Bell, Joe Harris, Emil Ringhoffer, James Eubanks, Coleman Walton, Ray Black, Charles Reeves, Johnny Swinson, Lyndon White, Bruce Williams, Frank Crow, Bill Alexander, Willburn Carrico, Arthur Young, Herschel Lynch, Bill Hatchett, Lee Brown, Misses Beckye Griggs and Sarah Parks.

Reynolds Circle Holds Christmas Party

Members and guests of the Methodist Church Emma Reynolds Circle were entertained with a Christmas party Thursday, Dec. 19, in the home of Mrs. James Snyder, with Mrs. Tom Barton as co-hostess.

Miss Burma Warren told the story of "The Little Servant Girl."

Gifts were exchanged and refreshments were served to the following: Mmes. Ray Black, Irvin Corn, Randall Jackson, Leslie Bryant, J. D. Drennan, Cliff Curtis, James Snyder, Tom Barton, Joe Harris, Curtis Sutphen, Misses Burma Warren and Sarah Parks.

Christmas Lighting Contest Winners

The Beautification Committee, Baird Garden Club has announced the following winners of the Christmas Lighting and Decoration contest.

1. Best decorated house and yard — Mr. and Mrs. Lee Brown, Dr. and Mrs. M. C. McGowen and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Corn.

2. Best decorated door — Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gilbreath, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ray; Dr. and Mrs. R. L. Griggs.

3. Best decorated window — Mr. and Mrs. Ray Black, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Robbins.

For stores, best decorated window — Caldwell Furniture Co., Rockey Motor Co., and Mayfields. No awards were made in the filling station class.

Judging was based on attractive design, distinction and originality, suitability and relationship of material to style of home, color combination and ingenuity.

Many beautiful decorations were observed in every part of town. Two homes which were very attractive, although the decorations did not come under any of the three classes, were the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eric Hall and that of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Goble.

A number of other very colorful and pleasing door and window arrangements could not be considered because the lights were not burning when the judges were making their decisions.

The members of the Garden Club wish to thank all who participated in the campaign to "make Baird beautiful at Christmas."

Pat Johnson Is Bride Of Wayne Miller

Double ring vows read Saturday evening in Eula Baptist Church united Patricia Lucille Johnson and Charles Wayne Miller in marriage.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dudley Johnson Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. James M. Miller of Plainview.

Rev. Carl Nunn read the ceremony. Music was presented by Mrs. Ralph Brock, who accompanied Patricia Iden as she sang.

Mr. Johnson escorted his daughter to the altar. She was gowned in a formal white satin dress styled on princess lines. Pleated bands of satin, trimmed in seed pearls and sequins, were set into the gores of the skirt, crossing in back. The bouffant skirt extended into a chapel train. A tiara of seed pearls and sequins held her fingertip veil of silk illusion. She carried a white prayer book centered with a white orchid and showered with white satin streamers tied in loveknots.

Mrs. George Cook of Killeen, sister of the bride, was matron of honor; Rose Farmer and Linda Loving of Eula, Kay Miller of Plainview, sister of the bride, Mary Beth Reynolds of New Orleans, La., Bette Lynn Ford of Dallas, Elizabeth Pumphrey of Old Glory, and Cathy Kniffen of Abilene were bridesmaids. Their dresses were of red chiffon over taffeta with deep V necklines in the front and back. Sashes marked the waistline and fell to the hem of the skirts. They wore picture hats sprinkled with seed pearls and carried bouquets of white mums arranged to resemble snowballs.

Karen and Dorothy Crook of Eula were candlelighters.

Jeri Johnson was flower girl and Mike Johnson was ring bearer.

Marlon Miller of Plainview, brother of the bridegroom, was best man. Ushers were Mac McDaniel, Woody Mann, Joe Steph, Freddie Kniffen and Gerry Bowman, all of Abilene, and Dan Baldwin and Joe Ray Culp of Plainview.

At the reception in the home of the bride's parents, Mrs. Billy Johnson served cake and Nita Franks ladled the punch. The couple will be at home following a wedding trip to New Mexico at 4215 34th St. Lubbock. The bride wore a red wool suit with black velvet accessories for traveling.

Mrs. Miller is a graduate of Eula High School and attended Hardin-Simmons University. Her husband also attended H-SU, where he was on the varsity tennis team for four years and won the national doubles crown in 1955. He is taking graduate work at Texas Technological College.

SWEET N' SOUR

By A. Dill

On the first day of Christmas, my true love sent to me a partridge in a pear tree — here it is the third day of Christmas and although you may not receive the three French hens (which would be according to legend) we are sending you our very best wishes for the happiest holiday season and most blessed of New Years.

Guess who is back in town? Scott Mitchell 'ts who, and the first thing he did when he hit the home port was to decorate his grandmother and grandad's home for Christmas — even the yard is blooming in holiday splendor. For getting the situation well in hand, Scotty can out-do the Marines any day in the week.

Donnie Atwood has a lovely Christmas display at his home and one you'll enjoy seeing.

Wilda and Debby Williams have a beautiful tree in their window — be sure and see it. And Randall Jackson Jr. has his very first tree all lighted and burning brightly.

There's no place like home for the holidays — and that fits the John Hughes family — all of the children, Mike and family from Rankin, Fonda and family from Ozona and Johnnie Mae, Bill and Kimberly Kay from Houston are all here to make the holiday season a merry one.

Vestina and Vance Whiteoak and Harry are here from El Paso to visit Willie and Ed Lambert 'n all the others, kith and kin.

Clifton Hill is another home townner we saw — and you can just know that makes his mother's Christmas a merry one.

Dwight and Mary Mayes and the youngster, Gary, Steven and Patricia, flew down from Canada to visit his parents, and especially his grandparents, Bob and Alice Warren.

Lots 'n lots of Bairdites find their way home for the holidays and some have Christmas on "furrin' soil," but wherever they are they think of home and they can be assured that we think of them. We had a lovely card from Mrs. McCoy, way off down in Houston and the note inside was as bright as Christmas holly and warm as mulled cider — we'll never forget this dear friend and there are scores more of us who feel the same way.

Another most welcome note in card came from Josie Hamlett in Ft. Worth and what a wealth of pleasant memories that name brings to mind. We sincerely hope her's is a bright and merry holiday.

The Pearsons — Benny, Madge and the youngsters are here for Christmas, which means high times for the Pearson and Loper families they are visiting.

Justin and Frankie Anderson had some special guests — D. J. and family and Reba Jane and her family all came in to spend the holidays and to be with their grandmother, Mrs. Curry, who has been ill and is now in the hospital. All our best wishes for a complete and speedy recovery go to Mrs. Curry.

Among the Christmas cards this year was one we'll always cherish from Shine Henry Griffin, Joe and the youngsters — it was a real photograph of Julia and Joe Wayne Jr. and that made it extra nice.

Did you notice the Sutphen's Christmas doorway? It was most attractive — red with "Noel" spelled out in snowflake letters. The litt'lest snowflake at the tiptop was Mack's own whirlygig design.

Jon and Bettye Hardwick had an unusual Christmas design on their doorway — a silver guitar on a dark background surrounded by sparkling musical notes.

We had some welcome visitors Sunday night — Christmas carolers who certainly knew how to put heart into the beautiful old songs — they were Janis Abernathy, Martha Payne, Michael Hughes, Nelda Smedley, Evette Meadows, Ann Dennis and Leonard Payne.

A very Merry Christmas and happy birthday to Mrs. R. A. Webster and Miss Isadore Grimes — both with December birthdays.

If any one asks you to locate 507 E. 10th Street, you can tell them it must be the North Pole because Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus live there — we know them best as Lula Mae and Ben Russell, and if all the truly good were stacked one on top of the other it would build a stairway straight to heaven — and that's

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Deadline Near For Disability Insurance

Tardiness sometimes merely inconveniences the one who is late, but there are occasions when being late can be more costly, according to R. R. Tuley, Jr., District Manager for the Social Security Administration at Abilene.

"A late shopper for Christmas gifts can still find something or other even the day after Christmas, and missing a train or bus doesn't mean there won't be another one along a little later," remarks Tuley, "but missing the December 31 deadline for filing for disability insurance benefit can mean a real loss, not just an inconvenience."

Effective with January 1, 1958 benefits under the disability insurance provisions of the Social Security Act can start no earlier than for the month in which formal application is filed. Tuley stated that up through December 31, 1957, a claim for disability insurance benefits can result in backdating payments to July of 1957. He suggests that all disabled persons aged 50 or over check the following requirements and make every effort to get a claim filed before January 1, 1958:

1. The disability must have started at least six months ago.

2. It must be so severe that substantial gainful activity is impossible.

3. The disabled person must have had five years of social security credits out of the ten years just before becoming disabled, and at least 1½ years of such credits out of the 3 years before onset of the disability.

4. The disability must be one that can be medically determined.

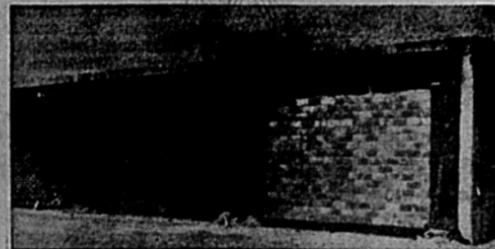
We urge our readers to take heed regarding the above deadline, not only for themselves, but for friends or relatives affected.

NOTICE

There will be a meeting of all Stockholders of the Callahan County Sheriff's Posse, Monday night, Jan. 6 at 7:30 p. m. This meeting will be held in the court house for the purpose of electing officers for 1958.

Blondy McIntosh, Pres. Dec. 27-Jan. 3

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Walls of Victoria, visited Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Walls and Gayle this week.



EFFECTS OF STEEL reinforcement are shown clearly in these wall panels tested under high pressure during the current atomic tests in Nevada. The eight-inch brick wall at left was unreinforced, while the other brick and tile walls of the same thickness were reinforced with quarter-inch steel rods, and survived the atomic blast intact. A 26 x 33-foot windowless brick structure, adaptable as a school or utility shelter, also was unbraced even though it was exposed to blast pressures five times those for which a house is normally built. (NTO Lookout Mountain Lab Photo)

Corinne Blackburn Club In Peek Home

Mrs. C. M. Peek and Mrs. Clyde Latimer entertained the Corinne Blackburn Wednesday Club Monday, Dec. 16, with a Christmas Party.

Miss Burma Warren told the story of "The Little Servant Maid" by Grace Noel Crowell.

Club members joined in singing Christmas carols, accompanied by Mrs. Peek at the organ. Gifts were distributed from the gaily decorated Christmas tree.

Those attending were Mmes. Glenn Rockey, Eddie Konczak, E. O. Parsons, Harold Hart, Terrell Williams, Lynn Ault, Jack Gilliland, A. A. Manion, L. L. Blackburn, Sybil Dickey, Eunice Brock, Margie Ray, Juanita Danjeljen, Beatrice Deal, Misses Burma Warren and Edith Bow-lus.

B&PW Club Holds Christmas Meeting

The Christmas meeting of the Baird B&PW Club was held in the home of Mrs. S. L. McElroy Thursday evening, Dec. 19.

After group singing of Christmas carols, accompanied by Mrs. Mollie Brightwell at the piano, gifts were exchanged.

Delicious refreshments were served from a brightly decorated table, to 17 members and the hostess.

Visitors in the C. F. Young home Wednesday were Mr. and Mrs. Bernie H. Young and daughter, Cecilia of Abilene.

Cotton Bowl Trip Winners Announced

Winners of an expenses paid trip to the annual Cotton Bowl classic were announced today by Humble Oil and Refining Co.

The Company said the grand prize winners in its football season contest are Mrs. Adie Lou McDonald, 5304 Community Dr., Houston; Mrs. Pat Allen, 808 McKenzie, Hobbs, New Mexico; Max R. Newmon, 703 Polk Street, Wichita Falls; and Mrs. Sally Dunaway, 1220 West Drew Street, Fort Worth.

The winning entries were selected from hundreds of thousands received during the 12-week contest for residents of Texas and New Mexico. Winners in weekly contests received a total of 208 television sets and 576 transistor radios.

Each grand prize winner gets a free trip for two to Dallas to see the Cotton Bowl football game on New Year's Day. A suite for each winner is reserved at the Statler Hilton in Dallas for five days.

In addition, winners are given \$50-a-day expense money for the trip, a \$500 gift certificate redeemable at leading Dallas stores; and New Year's Eve reservations have been made for them at the Statler Hilton's Empire Room.

Mrs. Johnny Campbell Jr. and little daughters, of Okmulgee, Okla., visited in the home of her uncle, Lee Ivey and Mrs. Ivey during the holidays. Mrs. Campbell is the former Virginia White of Baird.



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AND TO WISH YOU
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Atwell News

Mrs. Roy Tatom

Rev. Charles E. Smith of Abilene preached at the Missionary Church Sunday, and accepted the call as pastor. He visited with Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Hutchins.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Sessions of Midland visited Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Sessions over the week end. Howard Pillans and son, William, of Abilene, James and Stevie Foster left Sunday evening for Mason on a deer hunt.

Mr. and Mrs. Euel Wilson and children of California are visiting Mrs. Wilson's parents Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Lovelady during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Ellis and Mrs. Roy Tatom were in Abilene Thursday. Mrs. Ellis and Mrs. Tatom had a physical check-up from their doctor.

Randy Foster visited his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Erwin of Sabanno Saturday night and attended the Christmas program.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Nell Tatom and Beverly, and Roy Tatom were shopping in Abilene Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lum Smith of Cross Plains visited Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Ellis Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Rouse, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Morgan and boys visited Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Pillans in Cross Plains Sunday. Robert Brashear of Cross Plains visited Mr. and Mrs. Roy Tatom.

Mrs. Nathan Foster and son, Randy, visited Mrs. B. F. Hutchins Sunday afternoon.



Be still, and know that I am God... (Psalm 46, 10).

Often, when we feel that we have "lost touch" with Our Heavenly Father, it may be that we have been talking to Him too much—telling Him what we want—beseeching His mercy and His love, when all we have to do to receive is to be silent, and listen.

Oplin Observations

By Daphne Floyd

Mr. and Mrs. Loyd McWhorter and son, Hal, of Fort Worth arrived a few days ahead of old Santa, in order to be home for Christmas and to enjoy a few days visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. McWhorter, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Morse and Lurline.

Mrs. Tommie Windham, Mrs. Frank Windham, Mrs. Ray Floyd, Paula Windham and a friend, Katie Nabor, attended the Nativity Pageant at Albany Friday night.

There was a Christmas program at the Baptist Church last Sunday night with Mrs. Emma Poindexter in charge. The pastor, Rev. Aubrey McAuley concluded the program with a short Christmas sermon. After services were dismissed, gifts were then handed out from the gaily decorated tree. Sacks of fruit and candy were presented to everyone present.

Sorry to hear that our friend and neighbor, Joe P. West suffered another light stroke Saturday afternoon, and was admitted to Callahan Co. hospital.

Mrs. Kathleen Bates and children, Glenna and Ricky, visited with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Floyd last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Morse and Lurline, Mr. and Mrs. Loyd McWhorter and Hal, visited Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Windham.

Mrs. Dave Poindexter has recently been employed at Farmers Grocery at Lawn.

I visited last Saturday with my parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Barrett of Lawn, who were celebrating their 55th wedding anniversary. The day before, Friday, Dec. 20, my father also had his 75th birthday.

Cottonwood News

By Hazel I. Respass

Mr. and Mrs. Odie Owen and family of Cushing are spending the holidays with daughter, Mrs. Charles Waggoner, Charles and son, Freddie.

Mrs. E. H. Gilmore and three children, Billy Lynn, Estelene and Gary, went back to Dora, Ala., to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Campbell and two sons there.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Oglesby and family visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Felix Oglesby and other relatives and friends here Saturday.

Mrs. Dallas Burnham of Dallas is spending the holidays with Mrs. W. B. Gilleland.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. McIntosh of Andrews, spent last week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Maddox.

Robert F. Joy, Jr. and friend of Miami, Ariz., are spending the holidays with Junior's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Joy Sr.

Those who visited in the Respass home Sunday night were: Rev. and Mrs. Ellis Grubbs of Clyde, Rev. and Mrs. S. R. Respass of Brownfield and Mrs. Wendell Willis, Maywin and Keith of Amarillo; also Rev. and Mrs. James Brandon of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Rambo and Miss Bessie Rambo of Abilene, visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. D. McElroy Sunday.

People, Spots In The News

CITY BEAUTY, thanks to generous snow, is captured in winter twilight shot of New York's Queensboro bridge over East river. Squarish building in left center background is United Nations.



COMBINATION of silver fox stole and black lace bathing suit may be odd, but Delores Kirby makes it look good, doesn't she?



'AIR VIEW' (appropriately enough) of Wright Brothers Memorial site near Kitty Hawk, N.C., where first powered flight occurred in 1903.

Is There A Single Biggest Cause For Juvenile Delinquency?

(Ed. Note: This is one of a series of articles on the state's growing problem of juvenile delinquency by one of Texas' foremost authorities on the subject, District Judge Sarah T. Hughes of Dallas, who has handled more than 2,000 juvenile and family relations cases, along with an even greater number of other civil cases in 22 years on the bench. "Family law is probably the most important phase of the law," says this internationally known jurist, whose work has been honored throughout the United States and Europe as well, and whose name was put in nomination for vice president of the United States in 1952. A discussion of a different aspect of the problem will appear every other week.)

Plain to see is the fact that our increasing juvenile delinquency has many different and complex causes. There is no single factor which brings it about, and therefore no single cure. But is there, perhaps, any one factor which is bigger than any other of its many causes? I think there is.

WE ALL NEED IT

Every person, adult or child, needs — most of all — a sense of his own significance, his own individuality. A grown person wants to be recognized in his home, his church, or his club, of he loses interest. A husband who comes home and tells his wife about a good business deal he has made wants her to listen and be interested. A wife who cooks a special treat is disappointed if she isn't complimented.

It is even important for boys and girls to have a sense of their own significance. Failing to get it starts many upon the road to delinquency, running with gangs, committing acts of vandalism so as to be considered "smart" — to be recognized by someone. A few may even get that sense of importance through robbery, rape, murder.

NO RECOGNITION

I have had many cases in the Juvenile Court where I thought the principal reason for the boy or girl being there was that he or she had been given no recognition as an individual, no feeling of significance.

One of my vandalism cases involved a stepfather who gave all his attention to his own children, while the mother loved her husband more than her son by her previous marriage. This made him feel left out, and he satisfied his need for recognition by joining a gang of boys in destruction of property.

FELT HUMILIATED

Another boy, living with his father and stepmother, was required to clean house, wash dishes, and dress his younger sisters. If his mother had been tired from working all day he would not have minded being called on to help, but for a boy of 14 to be constantly required

to do what he considered girls' work made him feel very insignificant in the eyes of his friends. So he began to stay out late at night, breaking into empty box cars and vacant buildings and taking what didn't belong to him.

A third little fellow of 11, with superior intelligence, had the hobnobbing instinct and frequently ran away from home. He landed in jail in various Texas towns, but being confined didn't bother him, because he could brag to his friends about having been in jail.

SOMETHING TO BE PROUD OF

Then his mother tied him to the bed for nine days, but that didn't faze him either — he could brag about that. Over him, and that would have been all right if she hadn't prayed out loud that "the devil be taken out of Charles." That pleased him very much because he didn't know of any other boy who had the devil in him.

I'll always remember how Charles fairly beamed in court when the officer said that he had stolen 25 bicycles. He was quite sure that this was a feat no other little boy of 11 had accomplished.

"BELONGING"

The principal factor bringing all three of these boys to court was a failure in the home to make them feel they, as individuals, had any significance.

There is always something to compliment a child for — to make him feel important and wanted. There is always the chance to LISTEN with interest and affection to what he has to say, always the chance to make

him feel that he "belongs", to make him feel appreciated for himself.

The story is told of the prisoner who escaped and was found by police standing in front of a poster with his picture on it. When he was asked by the officer why he was standing where he could be so readily identified, he said, "Oh, it's so wonderful to be wanted by somebody!"

"TO KNOW THAT I MATTER"
That is what these youngsters need — to be wanted by somebody, to be recognized as individuals, to be important to their friends and parents.

A young boy, recently asked what he thought could be done to stop juvenile delinquency, said, "People give many answers to that — larger playgrounds, stricter law enforcement, more scout troops, but I say what we need MOST is someone to really believe in us."

The recognition children need, their sense of belonging, comes chiefly from parents who love them; and that love which is necessary for children to grow into worthwhile citizens will be discussed in my next article.

Tribute To News Men At Exposition

Tribute will be paid to representatives of the newspapers, radio, television and the nation's magazines during the 1958 Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show.

The Fort Worth exposition opens January 24 and continues through February 2.

Press-Radio-TV Day has been set for Monday, Jan. 27. At that time, newsmen will be guests of the stock show at the afternoon rodeo performance.

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GREETINGS TO MY FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS OF CALLAHAN COUNTY

Continuing my custom of the past few years, herewith is submitted a report depicting the traffic through the Office of Justice of the Peace for Precinct No. 1 of Callahan County, for the year of 1957.

This report will show a 'marked decline' in the number of Cases Completed, and the amount of monies collected for the County from the year 1956, but this DECLINE is due to conditions beyond my control.

(For the year 1956, I completed 895 cases and deposited with the county the sum of \$17,292.25; while another Justice of the Peace in this County, completed 723 cases and turned in to the county the sum of \$13,119.50 — YET the COMMISSIONERS COURT of Callahan County paid this other Justice of the Peace, the same yearly salary of \$2,406.25 for the year of 1956 — this I DO NOT and CANNOT BELIEVE TO BE FAIR AND JUST).

Criminal Cases Completed	By Whom Filed	Fines Collected	Trial Fees Collected	Fees for County Attorney	Fees for Sheriff	Total Deposited With Co.	Served In Jail	Residents Of Callahan
669	DPS	\$4,267.10	\$3,300.50	\$9,915.00	\$124.00	\$15,106.50	11	57
18	Sheriff							
6	Citizens							

Practically all offices in the County show an operating loss, with the exception of the offices of the Justices of the Peace; all these J.P. offices show a gross or NET PROFIT over and above all OPERATING EXPENSE.

BE SURE AND PAY YOUR POLL TAX THIS YEAR

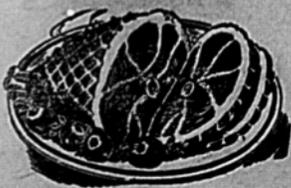
Within the very near future you will be greeted with some very flowery RE-ELECTION APPEALS ASKING THAT YOU RETURN THEM TO OFFICE FOR ONE MORE TERM — but these appeals will NOT tell you how long the office-holder has been on that particular job, neither will said re-election appeals tell you that most all the offices of Callahan County pay over \$5,000.00 per year — YES, by all means pay your POLL TAX, for the Campaign of 1958 may get rather WARM — at least the weather will doubtless be WARM next July.

Respectfully yours,

W. L. BOWLUS

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Rowden Round-Up

Mrs. B. Crow

Mrs. Annye Miller and her daughters and families, Mr. and Mrs. Dude Kopper and Carolyn of Arlington, Mr. and Mrs. Jug Garrett and son of Fort Worth, and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Starnes of Midland spent the week end with Ray Boen.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Springfield and son Bruce Rose of Fort Worth spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rose.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Crow spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. L. L. Cutbirth and other relatives.

Mrs. Howard Kline and Martha of Fort Worth and Mrs. Ben Russell of Dallas are spending a few days with their mother and brother, Mrs. Mattie Gibbs and Raymond.

The ladies met and quilted two

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Plans Talked For Fire Ant War

Plans were discussed for a campaign to eradicate the imported fire ant from the Texas scene by officials of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Texas Department of Agriculture, Texas Extension Service and representatives from 13 southeast Texas counties, including six counties with known infestations. The meeting was held last Thursday (Dec. 5) in Beaumont, and was attended by about 60 persons.

The imported fire ant — a destructive and annoying pest, harmful to crops, livestock and humans — now infests more than 20 million acres in Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas, Florida and Georgia. Its spread during recent years has been rapid and repeated warnings were sounded at the Beaumont meeting that now is the time to get the pest before it spreads further in Texas.

Surveys have been made in 53 Texas counties by Federal and State officials and they are now in the process of mapping the known infested areas and also making detailed surveys of the counties which adjoin those where infestations have been found. The findings from these surveys will be made available immediately upon their completion.

Officials of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service outlined a suggestive plan for organization of counties for the eradication campaign. A county committee with members from every community and representatives from all concerns controlling lands in the counties, including railroads and highways, was suggested. Hardin county representatives were complimented on the progress already made with such an organization.

It will be the responsibility of the committee to plan and execute the program in the counties. Assistance will be provided by the USDA and State Department of Agriculture in the form of technical help and financing but it was stressed that local participation and finances would be a must in carrying the campaign to a successful conclusion. Local county agents are expected to play a major role in developing the program.

NEWS ITEMS FROM PUTNAM

Union Usuals and Unusuals

By Veda Yarbrough

Hi, neighbor. This is a very pretty Monday morning, damp and cloudy. The birds are singing like spring. I guess they know it is Christmas time and glad there is plenty to eat and a good place to sleep. From the looks of our garage and front porch, oh well, they have to stay some place at night.

Jim went to Throckmorton Sunday and met Mildren, then Sunday night she and I went to church. Heard a wonderful sermon by our pastor, Bro. Wayne Blankenship. After church we visited a while with Mrs. Mary Ramsey, Ollie Burnam was there too.

We were glad to have Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, who live in Dallas, worship with us last night. They had been visiting their daughter in Abilene and were on their way home and wanted to go to church. We enjoyed meeting them. Wish more people would stop by church when they are passing by.

We hear that the well being drilled on the Enoch McCollum place came in Sunday and looks like a good one. We hope so.

Jim and I visited a while Saturday afternoon with the Emmitt Woods in Cisco. Their son, Mack and family were there from Odessa. Could not be there for Christmas so came for the week end.

Those who visited and had dinner with the Mark Burnams Sunday were Alice Everett of Abilene and Bro. Wayne Blankenship.

The Mark Burnams are getting a new roof on their home. Sure looks pretty. It is white, so when they get it painted white, they will live in a white house, which is a pretty house, I think.

Roma and John visited with John's mother, Mrs. Clint McIntyre Sunday afternoon and night.

Dub Ledbetter of Lovington, N. M., came to see the Mc's a while Sunday afternoon. They were not home so he came by here a few minutes. Sorry they missed getting to see him.

Glad to see Fred and Lora Ellis in Cisco Saturday afternoon. So glad to visit with them a little while. They used to be our neighbor here, now they live north of Moran. Fred gave me a subscription for the Baird Star. Said he had been wanting The Star for a long time. We were glad to send it in for him.

Roma and John stopped in for a short visit Sunday afternoon. So did Jewel Ellis and Jerry Cottle of Moran. We all sat around the breakfast table and had a nice little visit. So glad to have them.

Glad to know little Benford Green, who has been so sick, is able to be out of the hospital. I am not very newy this week so guess I better get to doing some Christmas baking, because it is that time as old Santa comes Tuesday night. Hope old Santa is nice to all of you.

Be good and I'll be seeing you next week.

Putnam Personals . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Brandon are spending the holidays with their children in Crane, El Paso, and Jal, N. M.

Mrs. Verna Shackelford is spending the holidays in Rogers visiting her mother, Mrs. Scroggins.

Evelyn Sprawls, of T. W. U., spent Thursday night with her grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Sprawls.

Mr. and Mrs. Reed Francisco and son Jimmy are spending Xmas with their parents, Mr.

and Mrs. W. R. Francisco and Mr. and Mrs. Chatham.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Sunderman are spending Xmas in Sinton with their son, Frank and wife.

Those spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Pruet are; Earline Clark and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Mitchell and sons.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mundt and sons who have recently moved to Abilene form Mineral Wells spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Pruet.

Mrs. Bill Ruyle of Dallas and Otho Cook are spending a few days with their mother, Mrs. Mitt Cook.

Mr. and Mrs. Troy Caraway and sons, of Abilene, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Jobe Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arno Roggenstein visited his mother in Snyder Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Overton of Sweetwater are home for the holidays with Tom Butler.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Everett and son, Mike, of Colorado City, are spending Christmas with their parents, the Fred Cooks and W. A. Everetts.

Buel Everett of Big Spring visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Everett Sunday.

Mrs. Lajuan Petznick and daughters, of Pomona, Calif., are visiting her mother Mrs. Dale Wirt through the holidays.

Mrs. Louie Williams was given a surprise dinner by Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Williams. Attending were: Mr. and Mrs. Nat Williams of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Williams of Crosbyton, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Williams of Moran, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Williams and Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Reynolds and family spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds and Mr. and Mrs. Higgs in Nugent.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryant Taylor of Abilene were visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Taylor Monday.

Wayne Taylor is home on leave from George Air Force Base in Victorville, Calif., with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Taylor. Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Lee White Sunday were Lyndon and family, and Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Varner and family of Baird.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Bowne of Grand Prairie are spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bowne. Billy Bowne is also at home from the University of Texas.

Mrs. Everett Williams of Crosbyton and Dock Clements of Dallas, spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Clements.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Yeager of Brownwood visited her parents, Mrs. D. D. Jones Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Crawford of Spur were week end guests of her mother, Mrs. Dove Gunn and aunt Mrs. D. D. Jones.

Mrs. and Mrs. Douglas Speegle of Big Spring were Sunday guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Rutherford.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Rutherford and daughter, of Victoria, are spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Rutherford.

Those visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Taylor Sunday were: Bill and family of Weatherford, Homer and family of Jayton, Pete and wife of Snyder and Mrs. Ross Finley and daughters.

Mr. and Mrs. Troy Wadzick and daughters, of Midland, were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Williams.

Those visiting Mr. and Mrs. Mabry Tatom Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Junior Tatom and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Tatom and son of Abilene, Mrs. Mae Payne and Elvie.

Mrs. G. S. Pruet and Ricky Sherman visited Mrs. Royce Pruet and children in Abilene Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Eubank were shoppers in Abilene Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Sharpe of Fort Worth were week end visitors with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Fry.

Gayle Williams of Texas Tech is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Williams.

Earl Hewlett of Eldorado, Okla., spent Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Pruet.

Hubert Donaway, of Kermik, was a week end visitor with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Donaway.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Mosley of

San Francisco, Calif., are spending Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Speegle. Mr. Mosley is being transferred to Corpus Christi.

Mrs. Ell Abernathy, who has been a patient in the Graham Hospital, returned to her home Friday.

Billy Bowne visited his aunt, Mrs. H. A. Pruet Tuesday.

"Band Of Angels" Coming To Plaza

"Band of Angels" the tumultuous best seller by Pulitzer prize winner Robert Penn Warren, has been made into a powerful motion picture by Warner Bros. Starring Clark Gable, Yvonne DeCarlo, Sidney Poitier and Efram Zimballist Jr., the film comes to the Plaza Theatre Sunday, Monday and Tuesday.

The story, set in the South at the time of the Civil War, focuses itself on the romance of its two main characters, Hamish Bond, wealthy New Orleans gentleman and former freebooting slave-runner. He is portrayed by Clark Gable in his first Civil War role since his memorable Rhett Butler in "Gone With The Wind." Opposite him is Yvonne DeCarlo who plays a Southern aristocrat who falls to the lowest depth of degradation known to her society, and finally is taken by Gable and made mistress of his house.

Filmed in the actual locale of the story, Baton Rouge, La., the film boasts many authentic Civil War settings. An ante-bellum plantation mansion, The Cottage, serves as Gable's upriver home. The mansion today is still owned by members of the original family which built it in the 1800's. A river boat, the Gordon C. Greene, said to be the largest packet boat in the world also plays an important role in the story.

Sidney Poitier who played one of the exciting ring leaders in "The Blackboard Jungle," is seen as Rau-Ru, the former slave leader who joins the Union Army and returns to kill his former master.

About Your Health . . .

Three of the greatest public health programs in history are generally acknowledged to be immunization against infectious diseases, chlorination of water and pasteurization of milk.

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tes. The nation's second and third largest cities — Chicago and Philadelphia — are among the cities which have fluoridation programs in operation. Other major cities now giving their children the benefit of the progressive measure are Cleveland, Baltimore, Washington, St. Louis, San Francisco, Milwaukee, and Pittsburgh.

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State Capital NEWS

By Vern Sanford

Things have been popping under the State Capitol dome throughout 1957.

Tops among the stories that kept the Capitol newsroom tele-phones jangling were:

1. WATER PROBLEMS — Floods, tornadoes and hurricanes brought 10 years of drouth to a close. Reservoirs then filled to 91 per cent of capacity — a two-years supply. But Lampasas, Dallas, Silverton, and other towns added up damage toll of more than \$100,000,000. Pasturage flourished, but many crops washed away or rotted. Water's importance couldn't be ignored. Result: Legislature passed two major measures. People approved \$200,000,000 bond-selling amendments for water conservation projects.

2. ICT FAILS — Ben Jack Cage became a household word after the crash of an empire he had built with heavy investments from organized labor. Losses were estimated at \$4,500,000. Two legislative committees and two grand juries spent months trying to untangle ICT's fantastic history. Cage was indicted. After his return from South America, he was convicted on embezzlement charges and still faces trial on other indictments.

3. EX-OFFICIALS ENMESHED — Former Insurance Commissioners J. Byron Saunders and Garland Smith, were accused of receiving money from ICT while they were in office. Both were indicted on perjury charges. Trials are pending.

4. INSURANCE REORGANIZATION — Texas insurance regulation must start over with a "clean slate," declared Gov. Price Daniel shortly after taking office. Over strong opposition, he pushed the insurance reorganization bill through the legislature. It enabled him to appoint new officials to the battle-scarred department.

But more static developed in the special sessions. Senate tried to oust the new commissioner, William A. Harrison. Attorney General's opinion said they had no say-so over Harrison's appointment. However, the Insurance Department still faces continued critical surveillance from disgruntled senators.

5. COX CONVICTED — Things talked about for years erupted into the open with the sensational resignation, indictment and conviction of Rep. James E. Cox of Conroe. A tape recording

of a conversation between Cox and a Naturopathic Association leader was the prime evidence used to back up a charge that Cox had agreed to accept a \$5,000 bribe. This provided extra fuel for the reform drive. A code of ethics and lobby registration laws were passed.

6. NEW SEGREGATION LAWS — East Texas legislators put plenty of steam behind proposals designed to preserve local authority over school segregation. Futile filibusters caused delays, but five bills were passed. They'll probably be in the news again as opponents bring them to tests in courts.

7. OIL SAGS — Violent fluctuations in Texas oil production gave everyone the jitters. Pressure from the Suez Canal crisis forced production allowable to an all-time high of 18 producing days in March. But Suez reopened and foreign oil came flooding back into the U.S. Texas' allowable had tumbled to 13 producing days by July, skidded to an all-time-low of 12 in September. President's order for voluntary import cuts brought some hope.

8. RAIDS — Attorney General Will Wilson padlocked Galveston gambling houses with less repercussion on the Pleasure Isle's economy than expected. Latest Wilson raids rounded up naturopaths on charges of violating the Medical Practices Act.

9. RUN-OFFS DECREED — Almost forgotten now is the furor over the Pool Bill to require a run-off in special elections. Ralph Yarborough became junior U. S. senator in an old-style one-shot election. Then the Legislature passed a bill requiring run-off elections in the future.

10. MONEY SHORTAGE — It didn't make black headlines, but it troubled men in high places. By the end of the second special session, the Legislature had scraped the bottom of the state treasury. Comptroller predicted the state would be \$12,000,000 in the red by 1959. Depressed oil, a prime tax source, and extra sessions contributed to the problem. But most people agreed that Texas was bursting its fiscal seams from inevitable growth. A special Tax Study Commission is studying the issue over-all. Observers say new taxes are unavoidable.

Giles Parole Denied — Former Land Commissioner Bascom Giles faces another year in the State Prison at Huntsville. The Board of Pardons voted 2 to 1 against recommending clemency. More than 100 Austin citizens, four ministers and Giles' family presented pleas to the board.

Giles began serving a six-year term for his part in veterans land program frauds in January 1956. As a model prisoner and trusty, he can complete the sentence by January 1959. His case has come up twice for review by the Pardons Board. Each time it has been rejected on grounds a pardon might "depreciate the seriousness of the offense."

Mrs. J. W. LaCour and children, are spending the holidays with Mrs. LaCour's parents in Alexandria, La.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Gordon and children visited Sunday and Monday in Fort Worth with Mrs. Gordon's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Stanford.

MOTOR MAIDS



Tests Demonstrate How Seat Belts Save Lives

By Jeanne Smith, Dodge Safety Consultant

IF YOU'VE EVER WATCHED stock car races, you're familiar with the hair-raising spills and collisions which many of these drivers experience—and then step out of their cars, wave to the crowd—and walk away, unharmed.

Likewise, in accidents affecting modern military aircraft, the personnel frequently walk away with hardly a scratch.

In both cases, the reason why occupants survive these accidents without injury is because they are protected by seat belts which prevent them from being hurled against instrument panels or through windshields.

Last month at Holloman Air Force Base, Alamogordo, N.M., I saw how seat belts can also curb passenger car injuries. (Some estimates indicate that seat belts could prevent more than one million automobile injuries and 20,000 deaths per year.)

More than 100 automotive, medical and safety experts watched simulated car "crashes" at the third annual Automotive Crash and Field Demonstration Conference. The tests, which were conducted by Col. John P. Stapp, Director of Holloman's Aero-Medical Field Laboratory, involved humans, animals and dummies who were catapulted into quick, hydraulic braking stops similar to the impacts of auto collisions. (Col. Stapp has traveled faster on the ground than any other human—nearly 700 miles an hour.)

In one deceleration test, a bear wearing a safety seat belt was subjected to a measured impact equivalent to 25 times the force of gravity. Although the force of the impact threw the bear's head and shoulders forward, he was not thrown from his seat—thanks to the belt.

Air Force doctors, who examined the bear before and after the test, found that he had not been injured, either externally or internally, by the jolt.

In another test, an Air Force captain, restrained by a safety seat belt, went through a similar demonstration without injury. The "crash" in which he participated was equivalent to a car being braked from 17 miles an hour to a stop in six seconds, at a deceleration rate of 27 times the force of gravity.

The impact was similar to a car's head-on crash into a concrete wall at 30 or 35 miles per hour or a side-collision with another car at 50 to 55 miles per hour.

A third test duplicated the one in which the captain participated, except that it was managed by a dummy, without a seat belt. When subjected to the same shocking stop which the captain survived without injury, the unrestrained dummy was thrown 12 feet.

These, and other demonstrations, vividly point up how seat belts can be the solution to our traffic injury problem.



Miss Smith

SWEET AND SOUR

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how heavenly stairways are built, aren't they? By kindness and love.

The next time the Star comes your way it'll be 1958 and a New Year -- May yours be filled with all the things you want it filled with and may we have the privilege of visiting with you and talking with 'n about you next year -- and oh, for the gift, the ability to tell the world at the dear and wonderful folk we are privileged to call friends.

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"Returning and Exchanging Gifts"

With every wedding, birthday, or holiday season, there comes the day-after-the-day-before—the returned gift headache. The season for returning Christmas gifts to stores for exchange is now upon us.

Most business establishments are as cooperative as possible about this annual American pastime, but before getting into any arguments with a reluctant clerk or manager, better take a look at the legal situation involved. You may find that per-

suasion is more in order than demands for adjustment.

Department stores are under no legal obligation to take back a purchase and refund your money or deliver other goods in exchange just because you changed your mind. Most stores do make refunds and exchanges, but that is because it is their policy to do so — not because they are required to.

However, a promise to refund or exchange merchandise made by the store or the salesman should be honored. Similarly, if a store misrepresents the quality of certain goods or if the goods are defective, you are justified in expecting a satisfactory adjustment. But you have no legal right to expect a store to refund or exchange because you change your mind about a purchase than the store has to ask you to give back the goods that were sold to you because it didn't want to sell them after all.

Suppose you buy a coat in one store and find that another company has it on sale for five dollars less. Must the store where you bought it take back the coat and give you a refund, or refund the difference in price? The seller is under no obligation to refund the difference, any more than he could make you pay the difference if he discovered that a competitor offered the same

coat at a higher price than he had charged for it.

Much the same rules apply to the refund of deposits. Unless it is the policy of a store to refund deposits on articles, or at least apply the amount on the purchase of some other item, the buyer is obligated to go through with the terms of the contract, even though he has changed his mind about the purchase.

When one selects, orders, and deposits money on the purchase of an article, the store is under obligation to deliver the article in accordance with the terms of the sale. If the buyer refuses to accept the article or pay the remainder of the purchase price, the seller can take legal action against him, according to the terms of the contract.

The same principles apply to a trade-in allowance on used merchandise towards the purchase of a new article. Such a trade-in allowance is considered the same as a deposit.

Reserve Obligation Faces Ex-Servicemen

Young men throughout the State of Texas who have completed two years of active Army duty training were reminded recently by Major General Robert G. Gard, US Army Military District, Texas, that they still have an Army Reserve obligation to meet.

The reminder follows notification by the Department of the Army of plans to strengthen the Ready Reserve force to 2,900,000 men by 1960.

The plan will affect nearly 10,000 men from the five-state area of Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, New Mexico and Louisiana who have been released from active duty training and are obligated by law to enter the Ready Reserve.

New and Renewals

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DARRELL D. GIBBS SERVES ABOARD SUSSEX

Darrell D. Gibbs, engineer third class, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Barney Gibbs of 512 Race Street, Baird and husband of Mrs. Marilyn G. Gibbs of Clyde, is serving aboard the cargo ship USS Sussex at Pearl Harbor, T. H. The Sussex left Pearl Harbor December 4, and proceeded to meet.

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