

The Baird Star

Our Motto—"Tis Neither Birth, Nor Wealth, Nor State, But The Get-Up-And-Get That Makes Men Great."

FIFTY-THIRD YEAR

BAIRD CALLAHAN COUNTY TEXAS FRIDAY JANUARY 12, 1940

NUMBER FIVE

1940 Automobile Tags Received

The new 1940 automobile tags for Callahan county were delivered to Olaf Hollingshead, tax assessor-collector Tuesday by a truck from the Texas prison system.

Passenger car numbers run from 153-101 to 155-700, white background with purple numerals.

Commercial trucks, 25-851 to 26-250, black back-ground with orange numerals; Farm 14-451 to 14-800, yellow back-ground with black numerals.

The numbers have been stepped up several thousand indicating an increase in the number of automobiles in Texas.

Issuance of tags will begin February 1, and continue until April 1st which is the deal line on car registrations. Tags may be put on cars, March 1st.

With each set of license sold is a folder giving highway instructions as to safe driving. The first paragraph reads:

Here are your license plates for 1940. They will travel many miles with you. Just how many or just how long you will use these license plates depends on how you drive. Common sense practices and correct driving will help you use them or the full year, instead of being among the 1940 drivers who will die in traffic and leave their license plates behind.

Griggs Hospital News

Mrs. C. A. Matson of Belle Plain is a medical patient, suffering with gallbladder trouble.

George Weeks of Putnam was a patient Tuesday night for treatment of a broken leg, received when he fell as his home.

Mrs. Tom Poindexter of Oplin, is a medical patient. She entered the hospital Monday for treatment of Mrs. Bruce Bell and baby are still medical patients. They are doing very nicely.

Five months old baby of Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Bates of Oplin is doing better, following treatment of burns.

Neal Stanley of Baird was able to return home Sunday following major surgery.

Mr. and Mrs. Eatherly are the parents of a boy born last Friday. Mother and baby are doing nicely.

KENNETH HOUSTON DIES

Kenneth Houston the 11 year old of Mr. and Mrs. K. J. Houston living about nine miles north of Putnam, died Sunday morning December 24, at the Graham hospital after an illness of several days. The body was taken to Wylie Funeral home in Baird to await funeral services, which were held at the First Christian Church in Cisco, at 2:30 Monday afternoon. The Rev. Lambert, pastor of the church held the funeral services, after which the burial was in Cisco cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. Houston are owners of a part of the Wylie ranch which they purchased two or three years ago from the Wylie heirs and have made their home there since.—Putnam News.

Kenneth was a nephew of J. F. Houston, of Baird.

Notice Candidates

J. Rupert Jackson, Jr., chairman Democratic Executive Committee of Callahan county gives out the following information:

The first primary will be on July 27, 1940. The deadline for filing applications to have ones' name placed on the official Democratic ballot is June 14, 1940.

All candidates should direct their application to have their application to have their name placed on the official Democratic ballot to be in care of Box 878, Baird, Texas; or they should call at the office of the Jackson Abstract Company, Baird, Texas.

J. Rupert Jackson Jr. Chairman Co. Democratic Com.

Mrs. H. C. McGowen, Mrs. Claude Leon and little daughter, of Graham, visited relatives here this week.

Cliff Johnson And Flo Grigg Married At Tulia

Cliff Johnson of Baird and Miss Flo Grigg of Tulia, were married Sunday afternoon at the home of the brides parents, Mr and Mrs. B. C. Grigg in Tulia. The marriage ceremony was said by Dr. Clark, pastor of the First Baptist church. Only relatives attended his wedding.

The bride wore a soft green wool dress and wore a corsage of Jonquils also wore Jonquils in her hair.

The newly weds arrived in Baird Monday afternoon after a short tour of points in north-west Texas.

The groom is the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Johnson of Baird, where he was born and reared. He received his education in Baird schools graduating from high school in 1932. He holds a position with Holmes Drug Company. He is a young man of sterling character.

Mrs. Johnson received her education in the Tulia school graduating in 1935 where she was prominent in all school activities. She was voted the most popular girl in Tulia School. After graduating Mrs. Johnson studied in Draughts Business College, in Lubbock and for the past several years has held a position with the Marie Tomlin Cosmetic Corporation as demonstrator.

To The Citizens Of Callahan County

In announcing for the office of Sheriff of your County for a second term; First I want to thank you for the support and past favors shown me. It has been a real pleasure for me to serve as your Sheriff for the past year and I am indeed grateful to the citizenship of this county for the splendid cooperation that you have given me in fulfilling he duties of this office.

I feel that I am in a better position to serve you in the future and will greatly appreciate the support and influence of every citizen of Callahan County for a second term as Your Sheriff. Again allow me to thank each and every one of you for the many favors shown me and my department.

Gratefully yours,
C. R. NORDYKE.

NOTE—Due to an error on the printers part several lines in Mr. Nordyke's announcement was left out last week and the article is reproduced this week so that the readers may get the article as Mr. Nordyke intended.—Editor.

PUTNAM-MORAN ROAD COMPLETED LAST WEEK

The Putnam News says the hard surface road and all bridges are completed on the Putnam-Moran road, and the two towns are connected with a hard surface or all-weather road.

The crews and machinery have all been moved to about four miles north-west of Admiral to the precinct line between the Putnam and Baird precinct, the work is to commence at the top of the mountain, on the Baird and Admiral road and run south east toward Cottonwood for about ten miles connecting with the Cottonwood road about eight or nine miles northwest of Cottonwood, this is to be the same type of road, that has been built between Putnam and Moran. This will leave a short strip of road on the Cottonwood road about three miles, to where it will connect with the Putnam-Cross Plains road.

This will also leave a dirt road from the top of the Admiral road to within about four miles of Baird where they will connect with the Coleman road coming from Coleman.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. R. A. Walker will hold regular services at the Presbyterian Church Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m. and 5 o'clock p. m.

E. L. Woodley Named President Of Baird Luncheon Club

E. L. Woodley, president of the Octane Oil Ref. Co., was elected president of the Callahan County Luncheon Club, to succeed Ace Hickman, stockman at their meeting held Thursday of last week. Jack Ashlock was re-elected secretary. Other officers elected were: T. A. White, Brice Jones and Harilton Wright, first, second and third vice-presidents. The Callahan County Luncheon Club functions as Baird's Chamber of Commerce.

Baird Couple Passes 50th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. William Walker of Baird have been married for more than 50 years, having married as young pioneers in Comanche county Dec. 1, 1889.

Mrs. Walker was Belle Smith born in Arkansas in 1861. They both came to Texas as small children.

All children of the family were present for the anniversary observance. Among those relatives visiting were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Walker of Seattle, Wash.; Lewis and Gordon Walker of Mason City, Wash.; Mr. and Mrs. Leon Ben Walker and children of Long Island, New York; Mr. and Mrs. John Blair and two children of DeLeon; Mr. and Mrs. Claude S. Walker of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Wilferd Kiser and son of Brownwood.

Denton Boasts Potent Teams

Denton high school has come up with its strongest teams in history in both the boys and girls division.

Coached by Lesley Stephenson McMurry college graduate, the boys have won both the Oplin and Bayou tournaments, losing by a lone point to Divide at both the Eula and Merkle tournaments. Gaining an even break in a two game series with the Lawn team, Denton boasts a season's record of 18 wins and three losses.

The girl team has completed an even better record. Champions of the Oplin, Denton and Eula tournaments, the femmes have lost only to Eula in the Bayou tournament. This setback came at time when their coach was ill in a hospital. They boast a record of 19 wins against one defeat.

The girls are coached by Russell Marie Smith, star of the potent feminine aggregation at Texas Wesleyan the past three seasons.

Both the Denton boys and girl will enter the Noodle tournament.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Mesdames Wright, Reynolds and Brison were co-hostess to the Methodist Women's Society last Monday afternoon. After a short program and pledges for the New Year a social hour was enjoyed.

Refreshments were served to sixteen members.

DELPHIAN CLUB

The Delphian Club met Jan. 9 at the home of Mrs. Ashby White. Seventeen members answered roll call with articles on fashion, federation news, gardening and various other subjects.

The program was on Health and Safety. Mrs. Irvin Corn discussed a very interesting article on the conquest of pain. We learned just how fortunate the people of today are in having anaesthesia to deaden their pains. Mrs. Bob Norrell discussed the drug, Ephedrine and told many interesting new uses for the medicine. Mrs. Frank Bearden discussed modern trends in Medical Science and Safety.

First National Bank Elects Directors And Officers

The stockholders of The First National Bank of Baird, Baird, Texas, held their annual meeting at 4 p. m. Tuesday, January 9th, in the Director's room of the bank. The Cashier reported a satisfactory years business, with improvements in Undivided Profits, Surplus and Reserve Accounts. Mayor H. Schwartz made a congratulatory speech to the management and reminded the stockholders that this bank passed its 50th anniversary five years ago, and is now on its second lap of a century of service. Henry James responded with words of appreciation to the Mayor, the Stockholders, Management, Staff and Customers.

Tom Windham, Henry James, Ace Hickman, A. R. Kelton and Bob Norrell, were elected Directors for the ensuing year.

Immediately following the stockholders meeting the Directors elected the following officers for the coming year:

Tom Windham, President
Henry James, Vice-President
Ace Hickman, Vice-President
A. R. Kelton, Vice-President
Bob Norrell, Cashier
Howard E. Farmer, Assistant Cashier.
C. V. Jones, Assistant Cashier.

Mrs. S. E. Settle Announces For Re-election As County Clerk

Mrs. S. E. Settle announces this week as a candidate of re-election to the office of County clerk. Her announcement will be found in the regular column.

Mrs. Settle is holding her first elective-term as County Clerk having been appointed in 1936 to fill-out the unexpired term of her husband, S. E. Settle who was killed in an auto accident. Mrs. Settle has made a splendid county official, always being at her post of duty, faithfully and courteously attending to her duties.

She is well qualified and most worthy of the support of the votes of Callahan in the coming primary election.

JUNIOR DELPHIAN

The Junior Delphian club met Jan. 4th in the home of Maxine Williams with Mrs. Edward Donaldson leader.

The following program was presented, Types of American Architecture, Mrs. Edward Donaldson, A House Saved is a House Made, Jo Ruth Arvin. We adjourned to meet Jan. 18 with Mrs. Edward Donaldson hostess.

The following answered roll call; Jo Ruth Arvin, Mrs. Edward Donaldson Juanita Farrar, Mrs. Frances Hollingshead, Frances Mayfield, Nita Ruth McElroy, Mrs. Donald Milton, Susie Lee Smith, Mrs. Curtis Sutphen, Maxine Williams Mrs. Hardin visited



James Stewart and Jean Arthur at the Plaza Saturday night Prevue, Sunday and Monday in Mr. Smith Goes To Washington.

Shallow Well Blows In Near Putnam

The C. C. Roberts et al No. 1 Grandy estate, appears to be one of the most important shallow oil developments in this area after gas pressure literally blew out the cement plug at the bottom of the casing while bailer was being run preparatory to drilling in. Estimated at more than 2,000,000 feet of gas with oil showing promising a well of from 25 to 100 barrels daily, the well is 604 feet deep. It has so excited interest in the district 2 miles north of Putnam that five or six rigs were expected to be running within the week.

The Grandy is located in the center of the west line of section 2,977 TeL survey, adjoining the Williams lease of L. A. Warren, who has two small producers there.

Gas, which kept blowing out the casing seat, forced Halliburtoning of the well and Friday, after 72 hours, bailer was run to lift water. Gas pressure blew the plug. Operators were preparing Saturday to drill the well in. It is bottomed in Cook sand.

Other operators interested in the area include Fred Holder et al of Breckenridge, who are preparing to move on location in the same section to begin extensive work. Holder interests already have three wells there.

Interest in the sector, which it is believed will develop into an important shallow area, equal to the south Putnam pool, or better, has caused many independents from Fort Worth and other areas to come here seeking deals.

President's Birthday Celebration

Mrs. Sidney Foy, county chairman of the Presidents Birthday Celebration announces the following committees;

County Vice-Chairman; Baird, Mrs. Carroll McGowen. Clyde, W. D. Raley. Cross Plains, Louis Norman. Putnam, Mrs. Johnny Cook. Oplin, O. C. Macon. Eula, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Penn. Denton, E. J. Barton. Cottonwood, D. J. Willoughby. Bayou, Mr. and Mrs. J.E. Baker.

Publicity Committee; Atrelle Estes Baird, Jack Scott, Cross Plains; Hamilton Wright, Baird.

Executive Committee, Ace Hickman, Olaf G. outh, Howard Farmer, W. O. Wylie, Sr., H. Schwartz, Miss Eliza Gilliland, Mrs. L. L. Blackburn.

Private Parties, Mrs. Ray Cockrell.

March of Dimes, Junior Delphian Club.

Women's Work, Mrs. Ashby White.

Executive Secretary, Miss Mildred Yeager, Putnam

Treasurer, Clifford Jones.

Baird will celebrate the occasion with a band concert at the High School Auditorium featuring Buddy Thornton, blind musician. The Luncheon Club is cooperating in this program. In the rural districts, Bayou and possibly Oplin and Denton will feature Motion Pictures.

Jack Ashlock, Olaf Hollingshead, Brice Jones are a committee for the Luncheon Club.

DR. F. C. PAYNE SUCCEEDS DR. B. F. BRITTAAN AS HEAD OF MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

The Eastland and Callahan county, medical association met at Rising Star the past week. Dr. F. C. Payne of Rising Star was elected president, succeeding the late Dr. B. F. Brittain of Putnam.

Other officers named were Dr. C. C. Cogburn, of Eastland, re-elected secretary; Dr. Ray Cockrell of Baird, Callahan county Health Officer was elected vice-president and Dr. Edward Blackwell of Gorman, censor.

Baird Firemen Elect Officers

At the annual meeting of the Baird volunteer fire department Wednesday Jan. 3rd, Morris Eastham was elected chief; Erwin Pruitt first assistant Conley L. Pruitt second assistant, Percy H King secretary secretary. M. A. Cline, guard, Royce Gilliland honorary chaplin, Eastham succeeds Gilbert Hines as chief.

Baird has one of the best organized volunteer fire departments in this area and our citizenship has much to thank their for in the protection of their property.

J. W. Farmer Seeks Re-election As J. P. At Baird

J. W. Farmer announces this week as a candidate for re-election as justice of the peace of the Baird precinct which office he is now holding for the first term. Mr. Farmer has no other interests and has devoted his entire time to the duties of his office in which he has been punctual and efficient. He solicits and will appreciate your vote and influence in the coming primary.

Mrs. Will McCoy Candidate For Re-election As County Treasurer

Mrs. Will McCoy's announcement for re-election as county treasurer will be found in this issue.

Mrs. McCoy has conducted the work of the office of county treasurer in a business like manner, being faithful in the performance of the duties of the office to which she has devoted her entire time and seeks re-election upon her merits and qualification.

See her announcement in the regular column.

Baird Garden Club Invited To State Meet

Baird Garden Club members this week received an invitation to attend a two-day garden conference to be held at Texas State College for Women in Denton January 15 and 16. This conference, first of a state-wide nature held at a Texas College, is sponsored by the Texas Federation of Garden Clubs and the College.

Mrs. Will Lake, director of the Fort Worth Garden Center and state president of the Texas Federation, and Dr. L. H. Hubbar and president of the TSCW, have announced that representatives from Texas 200 garden clubs with a total membership of 10, 000, and the clubs of southern Oklahoma have been invited to the conference. The theme of the first day's program will be the use of natural resources and that of the second will be horticulture.

Climaxing the two-day session the college is presenting J. Gregory Conway of the University of California, Los Angeles, Mr. Conway, author of "Flowers East, West" and one of the greatest authorities on the art of flowers arrangements will give the main address at the banquet which will close the conference Tuesday evening, January 6.

NOTICES

The firm of Tyler and Tillinghast has been dissolved and the undersigned will no longer be responsible for any debts made by Oliver Tillinghast,
Ray Tyler

NOTICE—I will take care of your children while you visit, shop or attend clubs, day or night, Mrs. Ethel Warren, 1st. door South of Wiley James residence.

Ashby White Named Census Taker

J. C. Shipman, 17th district supervisor of the 1940 federal census, has announced the appointment of T. A. White of Baird as industrial enumerator for Callahan county.

After attending a training school for enumerators which closed last Friday, White began his work of taking the industrial census last week.

Mr. White quoted Supervisor Shipman as saying that "the bureau of census is asking for and is really expecting to receive, the fullest cooperation on the part of owners and proprietors of business houses. The information to be sought includes sales volume, number of employe regular and part time, and salaries paid".

"The bureau desires to stress the fact that all information obtained for the census strictly confidential and is not, and can not be available to any other government agency or private business"

Shipman announced that the general census will not begin until April 2, at which time about 50 more enumerators will be given jobs, in the district. Selection of these additional workers will be made application. Selection of these additional workers will be made the middle of March "Anyone desiring to make application" declared Shipman, "for a place as enumerator should write me. No formal application is necessary and no competitive examination will be held. Persons who are citizens of the United States and who are 21 years of age are qualified for the work. "The supervisors office for the 17th district of Texas is located in rooms 3081309, postoffice building, Abilene, Texas Telephone 4543. Any and all inquiries concerning census matters will be gladly answered.

Frank L Wilson Buried Here Sunday

Funeral services were held at the Baptist Church at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon for Frank L. Wilson of Big Springs, who died Friday Jan. 5th following a two day illness.

Rev. Joe. R. Mayes of Abilene former pastor of the Baptist church conducted the funeral services. Burial was made in the family plot in the Ross cemetery. The body arrived in Baird Saturday and was carried to the Wylie Funeral home to await the hour of funeral. Pall bearers were; Bob Norrell, R. M. Warren Clayton Butts, Fred Estes, Frank Gibson and Horace Jarrett of Big Spring.

Mr. Wilson is survived by his wife the former Dorothy Knott of Baird and one son Ray also a brother who lives in St. Louis.

Mr. Wilson was born in Dallas May 1, 1879. He and Mrs. Knott lived in Baird or some time, later lived on a farm three miles west of Baird on the highway, which they still own. The family have lived for several years in Big Spring, where he continued his duties as yard clerk for the T. and P Ry which position he had held for some years.

Relatives here to attend the funeral were Mr. and Mr. John Knott and family, Toyah; Mr. and Mrs. John Lones and little son; Tyler, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Copeland, Big Spring Mr. and Mrs. Will Knott, Belle Plains.

Friends accompanying the family from Big Springs were; Mr. and Mrs. El L. Counts, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gibson, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Jarrett.

Wylie funeral home had charge of the funeral arrangements.

HOLIDAY NOTICE

The First National Bank of Baird will not be open for business January 19, 1940, Robert E. Lee's Birthday; Being a Legal Holiday Customers are requested to be governed accordingly in the transaction of their banking business.

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Three Months	.75

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AROUND TOWN

By Otto B. Great

Hey, hey, the new year has been properly ushered in, all of the leap year witticisms have been pulled, so now mebbe we can get into routine, mebbe.

Whats news? Well over in our neck of the woods, its neighbor Pearce's new addition to the back lot, a baby calf. His name, by the way, is "Jitter-bug", and if you could see the wild di- does he pulls you'd know why. Many is the rug cutter that could get a few pointers from him.

Here is one for Believe it or not. Records show that our fran' N. L. Dickey, football big-shot of 1927, rang up over three hundred yardage for Baird in a tiff with Clyde in the fall of 26, and yet didn't actually score a point. Either the Clyde Bulldogs had our hero on the run and he made several laps around the field without stopping to register a score, or he did the running for the team. Having been on the sidelines adding a lusty yell to the cheering, I know that Mr. Dickey is one of the fastest players Baird Hi ever produced and that when it came to piling up the yardage, he was no piker P. S. We might add that Baird won the game.

We Around Towners offer ye hearty welcome into Baird to Mrs. Cliff Johnson, the former Flo Grigg of Tullia, Texas, Mrs. Cliff Johnson, remember, was the attractive young lady you took such a liking to when she helped with Christmas rush at Holmes Drug Store.

Here's news! Baird now rates as a Class school, having 200 or more students enrolled in High school. Superintendent Olaf G. South (whom we never meet without a little bounce of pride for being able to count among our acquaintances) attended a meeting of district 10-A. South returns with the news that Baird will meet such schools as Anson Hamlin, Munday, Haskell, Rule, Stamford and Albany. Stiff competition? Well, mebbe, but Baird has some good remedies for stiffness, eleven in fact.

This week in the show business should be banner week or some thing. Every show on the calendar is sure to strike the bell. To begin with, there is "Mr. Smith Goes To Washington" which bid fair to become academy winner for this year. It's spun of the same wholesome stuff as "You Can't Take It With You" and has long lanky James Stewart who does well by any part handed him, as the Scout Master who is sent to Washington by political graft as a "Cat's paw" to finish out an unexpired term of a senator who died in office. How Mr. Smith, "Mr. Average American", refuses to be hood-winked into holding his position in name only while the political machine runs the work makes excellent screen fare. Tuesday "Here I Am a Stranger," a tale of college life with refreshing Brenda Joyce as the College Prof's tomboy daughter and Richard Greene as the harassed hero, will be above the average entertainment, and no one, not even the confirmed "all-shows-are-bad-and-worse" people, can doubt but what "Another Thin Man" is tops. Its a detective yarn and a good one with not an inkling as to the identity of the culprit until the last. Best of all, there is the delightful sparring of Mr. and Mrs. Thin Man and the antics of the dog, and Oh, yes, a Thin Man Jr., who merely looks bored, steals the pup's bone and takes a large share of the picture's honors. You'll like the scene where Myrna decides, along in the wee hours of the morning that baby should be told the facts of life in a heart-to-heart

talk with his father. Spotlight of the week goes to Mr. Ralph Short, one of the younger generation who is such a thoroughly likeable and well-mannered person that he makes a friend of everyone he meets. Mr. Short could hand a few suggestions to Dale Carnegie and add a new chapter to "How to Win Friends and Influence people."

Nobody's Business

By Julian Capers

Chief political interest in Texas centers around the race for Gov. in 1940, as the new year, bringing with it state, national and local campaigns periods, brought an early revival of political talk and activity.

Gov. W. Lee O'Daniel, regarded as a certain candidate for reelection to a second term next July, was regarded generally by political observers as an odds-on favorite for re-election at this time. O'Daniel obviously has lost strength from the peak period of his popularity, when he was swept into office with about 575,000 votes, a clear majority of all his opponents. But most observers think that O'Daniel, in the favor position of a Democrat office-holder seeking a second term would be an easy winner unless some unexpected development occurs between now and summer. It seems fairly obvious that the Governor does not intend to call a special session of the Legislature. Because nothing has been done about his \$30 a month for everybody pledge to the old folks he has, of course, lost some support from that quarter. Many small business men, too, have lost their enthusiasm for the "business man governor", but off setting this, O'Daniel has pleased the natural resources, public utility and other groups at whom tax drives are usually directed by saving them potential millions of new taxes that were not imposed, and big business is a virtually helpful influence in an election, since it is from this source that most campaigns are financed.

HINES MAY OPOSE W. LEE

Speculation in Austin centers around who will be O'Daniel's opponent. There are many rumors to the effect that Railroad Commissioner Ernest Tompson, runner-up O'Daniel last time, and regarded as a certain candidate already campaigning on a platform of more liberal pensions and higher oil taxes to pay them may not run, after all. One unverified report purported to chronicle an unofficial offer from close friends of Tompson to support Highway Commissioner Harry Hines, of Dallas and Wichita Fall, should he decide to make the race. Hines is known to yearn rather strongly to run, and his successful oil operations during the past few years are said to have netted him a private fortune sufficient to finance a campaign without outside help, if he wants to spend some of it that way.

There has also been considerable talk that Jerry Sadler, another member of the Railroad commission, might enter the gubernatorial lists. Sadler's press agents of recent weeks have been building him up strongly, with pieces in the paper about his alleged friendship with President Roosevelt, and his snuff-dipping habits. Senator Joe Hill, bitter foe of the sales tax, is reported to have toured the state and decided the time is not ripe for him to make a race for governor. Nothing has been heard from Tom Hunter, the perennially ambitious West Texans of recent months, but Tom can't ever be counted out as a candidate.

Political

The following announcements for office are made subject to action of the Democratic Primary, to be held Saturday, July 27, 1940.

For Sheriff: C. R. NORDYKE
For County Commissioner Pre 2: H. B. STRALEY, (Oplin)
For County Clerk: MRS. S. E. SETTLE
For County Treasurer: MRS. WILL McCOY
For Justice of Peace, Pre. No. 1: J. W. FARMER

Announcement Fees

The Star announces the following fees for political announcements, this year:

Congress	\$10.00
Legislature	10.00
District Judge	10.00
District Attorney	10.00
District Clerk	10.00
County Judge	10.00
County Clerk	10.00
Sheriff	10.00
Assessor-Collector	10.00
County Superintendent	10.00
County Attorney	10.00
County Treasurer	10.00
County Commissioners	10.00
J. P.—Counstable	5.00
City Marshall	5.00

RAIL POST RACE HOT

Hottest State contest, it appears, will be over Lon Smith's job on the Railroad Commission. There are half a dozen potential candidates, including Carl Donald, Olin Neshitt, Bill McDonald, Olin Culberson, and possibly several county judges from various sections of the state. The well-timed announcement of State Auditor Tom Kink he couldn't even audit the rural school aid funds, because of inadequate information, makes certain that State Superintendent L. A. Woods will have a hot contest, as he seeks his fifth term. The Department of Education has grown into one of the most powerful political machines in Texas, which devotes itself so persistently to the perpetuation of the present superintendent in office that many observers are doubtful whether Woods will be ousted this year.

Attorney General Gerald Mann, with a splendid record for interpreting and enforcing the law without fear or favoritism, will probably have no opponent, and certainly no serious campaign to make for a second term. Bascom Giles, first term Land Commissioner, is generally conceded unbeatable for a second term although the ill feeling remaining from his defeat in 1938, of Bill McDonald, may result in a strong effort being made to unseat Sheppard's office is one of the best run clerical departments in the state government, and his far-flung staff of serious opposition.

BEAUCHAMP TO HAVE RACE

In the judicial positions, chief prospect of a contest centers around the place on the court of Criminal Appeals to which Tom Beauchamp was appointed by Gov. O'Daniel. Beauchamp appears now certain to have at least one, maybe two strong opponents.

Senator Tom Connally, by his fine record during his second term as a statesman with an allegiance to his nation and state that is broader than partisanship apparently has discovered all opposition that might give him any trouble. He probably will seat Giles. Comptroller George not have to campaign very vigorously for re-election.

Texas are watching the presidential campaign with great interest, and the outcome of the Garner boom at this stage is largely undetermined, and will be, until President Roosevelt makes clear his position on a third term. The President obviously, with a session of Congress just beginning that will handle many controversial matter is going to keep the politicians guessing about his future course as long as possible which is good strategy.

WAIT ON F. D. R.

Most Texas guessers think he has no intention of running himself, but will have a lot to say about naming the party's standard bearer, particularly under the new majority rule that will prevail in the next National convention. The Garner folks are insistent in declaring there is "no reason why Roosevelt should oppose Garner", but their very persistence in repeating this raises the suspicion they may fear the prospect. If the Presi-

dent supports some other candidate, there is enough Roosevelt enthusiasts in Texas to make quite a contest in the State convention when the time comes to instruct the Texas delegation.

Local candidates this year thought out the State are early in beginning activity. From many sections come reports and published announcements, indicating warm contests for legislative and senatorial places, and local officers such as sheriff, tax collector and county judge and commissioners.

Although, 1940 promises a splendid political show in Texas, with national, state district and local contests to enlists the activity of those whose temperature rises with the coming of July in political years.

On Baird Campuses

P A E

If you hear a peculiar racket around your home these days, one you can't quite classify, just rest your fears, its the creaking of text books as they are being opened. Mid-term exams are here. That's the only time this writer ever read B square plus C and wondered what it was all about. The rest of the time I remained, even as your Pride and Joy, happily untarnished by Knowledge's smutty fingers.

The Home Economics students have had a pleasant as well as instructive treat this week. Miss Callahan and Miss Blair of the West Texas Utilities department gave demonstration with the newly purchased electric cook stove installed in the department. The demonstration covered some three periods and took in baking oven dinners and top-of-stove meals.

Miss Lelia Hammock's dramatic club play, "Clover Time" is nearing perfection and will be ready for an early presentation. 1939 can never be less than a stage, it should have been here by now and is expected any day. Other than that, your guess is as good as the next fellas. The item of interest the High school students are discussing is Baird's lift to the Class A division in Athletics. Right up among the big shots next year, they're all wondering how B. H. S. will rate by this time 1941. Baird has certainly been on top of the heap pleasant memory of a successful season.

Did you like the student spot light idea, last year? Just in case you did we want to star again this year and call time out each week to give special cheer for a special student.

If you on the campuses have to give special cheer for a special if you on the campuses have any suggestions of a particular good sport, just lemme know, Here's a starter, L. W. McIntosh is a regular guy who is always pleasant and friendly and completely absorbed in his school. He is the kind of a boy you like for others to meet, for he represents Baird Hi spirit at its congenial best.

The Baptist Church

A. A. DAVIS, Pastor

The Workers Conference at Clyde on Tuesday of this week was a good one. Those who attended from Baird were: Mrs. H. F. Foy, Mrs. W. B. Atchison, Mrs. Elva Smith, Mrs. A. A. Davis and the Pastor. Sunday afternoon, Jan. 14 at 2:30 our Intermediates will give the program at the Association B. T. U. meeting at Cottonwood. We hope for a good crowd from Baird at that meeting.

The Church moves along well. The Sunday School and Preaching services are enjoyed and attend, but we are pressing on for even more. We need you in the services. So many who should come, and could who do not. Others would come, want to come, but cannot. There are perhaps four classes of people, some who are lost, know it, and don't care, some who are non-professed Christians, but have no definite experience in salvation certain of nothing, just hoping that things will turn out alright if they do a few good deeds. Some who are saved and know the Lord as a Savior but who are asleep at the post of duty and are not really enlisted in the service of the Lord. Others are saved and know it, and living close to the Lord in Duty and privilege, enjoying their salvation happy in His service and living consistent lives, devoted to Christ in deep gratitude for His Grace, rejoicing in hope, patient,

in tribulation, steadfast in faith Reader, in which of these classes are you? We hope that all people were in the latter class. Come wit us, let us worship together "It is good to go to the House of the Lord."

Methodist Church

HAMILTON WRIGHT, Pastor
The first quarterly conference will be held Wednesday evening January 24 at 7:15 with Dr. C. A. Bickley, district superintendent, presiding. He will bring a sermon, after which he will conduct the business session.

Despite weather attendance was good at Sunday School last Sunday.

Epworth Leaguers attended a district meeting at Wylie Thursday evening.

Women Missionary Society held a social and pledge-day event at the parsonage Monday afternoon. Officers of the society were formally installed Sunday evening just before regular preaching service.

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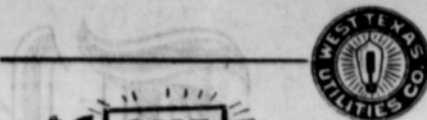
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Table with columns for ASSETS and LIABILITIES. Assets include Loans and discounts (\$181,843.01), United States Government obligations, etc. Liabilities include Demand deposits, Time deposits, etc. Total Assets: \$1,217,421.78; Total Liabilities: \$1,121,370.14.

MEMORANDA: (a) United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed, pledged to secure deposits and other liabilities... (b) Other assets pledged to secure deposits and other liabilities... (c) TOTAL... (d) Secured liabilities... (e) 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 3rd day of January, 1940. E. G. Hampton, Notary Public.

Personal

Senator Connally Introduces Bill: Senator Tom Connally of Texas has introduced in the Senate a bill to amend the Social Security Act, to provide that in the matter of old age pensions the federal government shall contribute two-thirds, and the states one-third of individuals pensions up to \$15.00 per month and from \$15.00 upward the contribution by the states and federal government shall be each one-half of the sum in excess of \$15.00 per month.

Subscription Bargain Days are still in effect. Pay your subscription to The Star now and save 50 cents. E. J. Northcutt youngest son of Mrs. May Northcutt left a few days ago for San Diego, Calif. where he will serve in the U. S. Navy.

Clubbing Rates on The Star and Abilene Reporter are still in effect. Both papers one year for \$5.45. This rate is good only at The Star office.

Miss Virgie Kannady of Glendale, Calif., arrived Sunday to attend her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Kennedy who are ill at their home at Belle Plain.

Clubbing Rates on The Star and Semi-Weekly Farm News for \$2.00. This offer will be good through January. Send in your subscription.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Jones have returned from a visit with their daughters Mrs. Raymond in Galveston, Miss Willa Mae Jones and Mrs. Catherine Alfonso, of New York City.

Miss Mary Lynn Woodley who spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Woodley left last Friday for plain for her home in New York, or her home in New York.

Mrs. L. L. Blackburn returned Tuesday evening from Austin where she attended a meeting of the Executive Committee of Texas Federation of Texas Club Women.

Mrs. J. W. Hays accompanied by her two brothers and sister Dr. Wesley Askew, Will Askew and Mrs. Pearl Kestener of Amarillo left Wednesday for Marble Falls to visit their father A. L. Askew who celebrated his 87th birthday Wednesday.

Mrs. D. F. Harp is reported some better following a serious illness of several days. All of her children were at her bedside. Charnel and Gordon Harp coming from Fort Collins Col. Cliff Harville of Abilene and Sidney Harville of Oplin. Her two daughters Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Ramsey live in Baird.

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"The justification for the measure lies in the fact that under existing law the federal government simply matches the amount contributed by the individual states. As a consequence the rich states, which make the larger payments, also secure larger payments from the federal government. The poor states, which are able to pay only small amounts, receive also similarly small federal contributions. Likewise the poor states, which are unable themselves to pay as much as the rich states and therefore are in greater need, instead of receiving a larger contribution, secure a smaller federal contribution. In addition, it is unjust for the federal government to pay an old age pensioner in California \$15.00 per month of federal money and pay another old age pensioner in Arkansas, just as greatly in need, the sum of \$3.00.

"The effect of the enactment of the bill would be to encourage states to make sufficient contribution whereby the total contributions from federal and state sources would be substantial. I am confident that if I can secure a vote on the bill it will pass both Houses by a substantial margin.

Callahan County To The Citizens Of

In announcing for re-election to the office of County Clerk of Callahan County, I am mindful of the many favors you have shown me and humbly grateful for the opportunity of serving you and thereby being able to support my family. I have tried most faithfully to perform the many duties of the county clerk's office courteously and efficiently, and assure you that I will put forth every effort in the future to serve you to the best of my ability, and will greatly appreciate the vote and influence of the citizens of our county for re-election. With sincere thanks to all, I remain, Respectfully, MRS. S. E. SETTLE.

To The Citizens Of J. P. Precinct No. 1

I announce my candidate for re-election as Justice of the Peace of Precinct No. 1 which office I am now holding for the first term. I have devoted my entire time to the duties of the office and ask re-election in my qualifications for the performance of the duties of the office pledging you the same faithful and careful service, I have rendered you as your justice of the peace. I thank all for their cooperation and will sincerely appreciate your vote and influence in the coming primary. My announcement is made subject to the action of the democratic primary. Sincerely, J. W. Farmer

To The People Of Callahan County

In announcing for re-election as your County Treasurer I wish to express my sincere appreciation for your confidence and trust in me in the past. The people of Callahan county have been kind to me, in return, I have endeavored to give you my best. As most of you know the duties of the County Treasurer have been greatly increased; our financial affairs have become more complicated. I have learned the duties of the office by careful study and experience. I believe I know and realize the responsibility in this important office. My record, as a citizen and officer, is before you. If you feel that I am deserving of a continuation of my services, I will greatly appreciate the vote and influence of every person in our county and assure you if re-elected, I will strive to give you the very best service, at all times, that I am capable of rendering. MRS. WILL McCOY.

Miss Brown, H. D. Agent, Gives Report of Year's Work

The annual report turned in by the 15 home demonstration club members and seven of the Girl's 4H club members show the following results. Membership of adult clubs 300 of 4H clubs 138. In the Home improvement, bedroom phrase, of the work 105 bedrooms were improved, 25 closets added, 30 mattresses added, bedding equipment added 1700 pieces, included sheets made and protectors, 76 bed spreads made, 205 dresser scarfs added window curtain added 200, 50 hooked rugs and mats and 10 wool comforts were made and a total of \$834 spent on home improvement.

The home food supply reports show that 46,318 quarts of fruits and vegetables canned, 12,006 quarts brined, 8776 lbs of fruits and vegetables dried, 6112 quarts meat canned 3112 lbs. of nuts stored 41,116 lbs. of meat to be cured with 50 cellars and pantries being built 150 frame gardens built during the year.

The clothing work report by 4H girls show that 312 garments were made and average for a clothing expenditure per girl averaged \$16.00 60 pieces of clothes cleaned equipment being added, 8 clothes closets, built and remodeled, 82 provided sewing boxes, 100 made a garment by hand and 82 made 2 garments or more by hand.

The garden reports showed 120 girls planned for the leafy, yellow vegetable section of the family garden, 120 planted seed recommended by agent, 82 planted sections planned, 82 girls canned at least 12 containers of food, 100 made vegetable salad during the spring and summer months, 25 frame gardens were built by the girls.

The County Home Demonstration Council, which is a county wide organization, that acts as an advisory body to the agent and clubs reports show that 108.07 was taken in by the treasury, that the body sponsored successfully the cooperatively buying of fresh pineapple and strawberry plants, 12 meetings were held, that 4 trips to Jr. short course were sponsored, buying of 4H pins, sponsoring of a 4H tea, a county wide training school, and a linen shower, Year Books for 1940 and the plan of work that will be carried during

1940. The home demonstration agent reports show that 37 days were spent in the office and 260 days were spent in the field, with 392 farm and home visits being made, 287 office calls, 77 news articles published 286 letters being written, 4470 bulletins distributed, 5 radio broadcasts, 23 training schools with 907 attending 273 methods demonstration 27, 1294 in attendance, miles traveled by agent 10,480. Demonstrations were given on selection of color design. Wall finishes hooked rugs washing wool home made furniture, bathing center curtains slip covers mattress making, canning poultry, dressing poultry chickens Brooding Baby Chicks grease traps, canning fruits and vegetables, Egg Cookery and Sponge Cakes.

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Wiley Foster Honored on 95th Birthday

Sunday Dec. 31, 1939 marked the 95 year of Uncle Wiley Fosters life. Uncle Wiley, so called makes his home with his son, Elder J. C. Foster of Atwell Texas.

Since Uncle Wiley's 90th year kindred and friends have met in celebration of the Birthday of this noble veteran of pioneer life. This was repeated again Sunday. Guests began to arrive at an early hour glad reunions showed visibly in every countenance voiced by greetings from old and young, expressing joy and appreciation of the privilege of being his guest once again.

Quickly sped the morning mid much merriment and continued arrival of guests. As 12 noon neared, baskets laden with food began to be unpacked and food placed upon the long, white linen spread table in the yard.

Justice would demand adequate description of the culinary art displayed, but I do not think mere words from even an artist's pen could portray what our eyes beheld, nor any accuracy be given concerning the deliciousness of the many and varied foods.

The birthday cake was a marvel of beauty with its ninety-five candles thereon, and many a worthy comment was heard.

As the day was rather chilly, a table for four was spread near a good fire in the big open fireplace. Here Uncle Wiley and three pals were seated and served well eighty six, Ed Mattox and John Allen also in the eighties.

I lingered near a few moments before joining the throng at the table outside, just to catch the lilt of joy in their hearts as they reminiscensed of other days.

The one hundred and fourteen hungry guests were not sparing in their complimentary comments as they shifted from place to place at the table discovering the distinctive delicacy of every dish. Many of the guests were grand children, great and great grand children of Uncle Wiley. J. C. and A. G. Foster were both present and are his only surviving children.

In the P. M. the crowd insisted on hearing some music as some of the men were reputed for their skill with the violin. The elderly men were termed, the usual, "Old Fiddlers". The younger men entertained first by Bob Blackwell and the Green Bros with violins, and guitars. Every one enjoyed genuinely their successful efforts.

Anxiously we awaited the older men's turn, really wondering if their toil worn hands could make that fiddle talk, as was reported well they did. Uncle John Blackwell the oldest was the first of the older men, accompanied by a second on guitar by Shorty Green.

Next Mr. Wes Everett, violin and W. M. Stransbury guitar, then came J. C. and A. G. Foster, violins, and W. M. Stransbury guitar. The last two men had not played together for upward in twenty years when these were then three of the Foster Bros. All great "fiddlers", but their rank was broken by the call of death, and in their loss of one dear brother their fiddles were laid aside while the boys rested in sorrow. As they picked them up again on this Sunday evening, Stirred by memories and resting in hope of that Eternal day of reunion, all the spirit of music that had lain asleep thru the three years must have been awakened for they played together once more as if the hush of years had been only a momentary rest. In them all we must truly pause for words to express, even dimly, how their violins became living things in their hands, as many an old time tune was recognized.

Mr. Blackwell's Sr. violin was two hundred and twenty two years old. He won it last year at an old Fiddlers Contest.

He gave us a rendition of his favorite sacred hymn, "There's a City of Light Mid the Stars we are Told".

Our response was to immediately enter into the secret place of the most high in contemplation of the blessed land where we'll never grow old.

In this New Year morning of 1940, we have as our last treasured memory of the dying year a memory of a day well spent.

We must comment on the tender loving care Uncle Wiley

receives in the humble home of his son, whose great pleasure is to do what he can to make the last days of his fathers life his best day Surely Mrs. Foster, his daughter in law has earned a rich reward by her devotion and tireless care. Nothing is withheld that will bring a bit more sunshine in the life of this aged good man.

Surely when Christ spake saying, "Ye are the salt of the Earth" He was addressing just Mrs. W. L. Jackson.

NOTICE OF FIRST MEETING OF CREDITORS

In The District Court Of The United States For The Northern District Of Texas In Bankruptcy, Abilene Division

In The Matter of Mrs. Obera E. Norred, Bankrupt.

No. 1882 In Bankruptcy, Abilene, Texas, January 4, 1940.

BEFORE D. M. OLDHAM, JR. Referee In Bankruptcy

To The Creditors of Mrs. Obera E. Norred, a widow, of Putnam, in the county of Callahan and District aforesaid, a bankrupt. Notice is hereby given that on the 27th day of December A. D. 1939 the said Mrs. Obera E. Norred was duly adjudged bankrupt, and that the first meeting of her creditors will be held at my office in the City of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, on the 18th day of January A. D. 1940, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at which time the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupt and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

D. M. OLDHAM, JR.
Referee in Bankruptcy.

NOTICE OF FIRST MEETING OF CREDITORS

In The District Court of the United States for The Northern District of Texas in Bankruptcy Abilene Division.

In The Matter of Clements & Norred, Inc., a corp., Bankrupt. No. 1881 In Bankruptcy.

Abilene, Texas, January 4, 1940.

BEFORE D. M. OLDHAM, JR. Referee In Bankruptcy

To The Creditors of Clements & Norred, Inc., a corporation, of Putnam in the county of Callahan and District aforesaid, a bankrupt. Notice is hereby given that on the 27th day of December A. D. 1939, the said Clements & Norred, Inc, a corp. was duly adjudged bankrupt and that the first meeting of his creditors will be held at my office in the City of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, on the 18th day of January, A. D. 1940, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at which time the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupt and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

D. M. OLDHAM, JR.
Referee in Bankruptcy.

SHERIFF'S NOTICE OF SALE

The State of Texas, County of Callahan.

WHEREAS, by virtue of a certain order of sale issued out of the District Court of Callahan County, Texas, on the 3rd day of November, A. D. 1939, wherein H. T. Wagley is Plaintiff and H. E. Worrell is Defendant, on a judgment rendered in said court against said Defendant and in favor of the said Plaintiff of the sum of Five Hundred and twenty five Dollars, with interest thereon at the rate of 6 per cent per annum, from date of judgment, together with all costs of suit; I have levied upon and will on the 6th day of February A. D. 1940 between the hours of ten o'clock a. m. and four o'clock p. m. at the Court House door of said County, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder, all the right, title and interest of H. E. Worrell in and to the following described property, levied upon, to-wit: That certain oil and gas mining lease which is described in a certain instrument executed by B. L. Russell as grantor to H. E. Worrell as grantee, dated September 8, 1937, recorded in Vol. 153, page 464 of the Deed Records of Callahan County, Texas; and said oil and gas lease covering the following described lands; The SE 1-4 and S W 1-4 of the NE 1-4 of Section 2282 T E & L C. Lands, reference here made to said instrument for a more particular description of said oil and gas mining lease, together with all personal property used or obtained in connection therewith.

The above sale to be made by me to satisfy the above described judgment for \$525.00 in favor of Plaintiff, together with all costs

of suit and sale, and the proceeds to be applied to the satisfaction thereof.

C. R. NORDYKE, Sheriff
Callahan County, Texas.

OPLIN 4-H CLUB

The Oplin 4H Club Girls met at the school building Jan. 4th Our sponsor told us of different places and ways of strong bedding. Each club girl received a Christmas gift and the 4-H girls and sponsor presented the club room a picture. Miss Brown will meet with the club in January 18.

Maxine Johnson, Reporter.

JOE LEOPOLD THANKS FRIENDS

I wish to sincerely thank all who so kindly helped after my tent home, clothing and bedding were burned. I also thank the Baird Fire Boys for their help.

Respectfully,
JOSEF LEOPOLD.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere appreciations to all for the many kindnesses shown us in our recent bereavement, the death of our beloved son and brother Harold. Also for the many beautiful floral tokens; your many kind deeds and words of sympathy will be cherished always.

Sincerely,
Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Cummings
and family.

Note: We regret that this article was overlooked when brought to the office sometime ago. Editor.

WEDNESDAY CLUB

The Wednesday Club met in the first meeting of the new year in the home of Mrs. Dyer, eight teen members answered roll call "Wheels within Wheels" was discussed, "The Industrial Worker beginning with the old South and the effect of changing times that ushered in the new South, was given by Mrs. L. L. Blackburn.

A "Survey of Industrial" from the days of plantations to the recent growth of industry in the South was told by Mrs. B. L. Russell Jr, "To Make My Bread" Grace Lumpkin was reviewed by Mrs. Hargis.

The story of the McClure's and their neighbors who eke out a living in the mountains, their tales of the mill towns, where money grows on trees" come to their ears and Emma McClure now a widow, with her sons and daughter Bonnie go to work in the mills where death and tragedy awaited them. A short business session followed. Mrs. Blackburn gave a report on the extension of a report on the executive Board meeting of TWFC which met in Austin Jan. 9th.

Plans were discussed and committee named to work out details for our Anniversary celebration Feb. 28.

The club will furnish linen for one room in our new hospital. Mrs. Frsd Heart was guest of the after noon.

CARD OF THANKS

We take this means of thank ing our friends for their many kind deeds and words of sympathy during the recent illness and death of our beyond husband and father. May God bless you all.

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Texas Banks Make 850,000 New Loans Renew 575,000 Others

That banks in Texas are actively meeting the credit needs of thier communities is indicated by figures announced by the American Bankers Association showing that the commercial banks of the Lone Star State made more than 850,000 new loans totaling \$580,000,000 to business firms and individuals during the first six months of 1939 and renewed 575,000 outstanding loans totaling \$725,000 000 during the same period.

The survey also reveals that business firms in the state are using less than half of the "open lines of credit" maintained for their use on the books of the banks.

These figures are based on reports received from 182 of the Texas banks holding memberships in the A. B. A. or 21 per cent of the 873 commercial banks in the state, and make allowance for the concentration if lending activity in the metropolitan area of Dallas and Houston.

The 182 banks reported they made 232,237 new loans totaling \$193,841,088 between January 1 and June 30, 1939, and renewed 155,947 outstanding loans totaling \$256,332,552. In addition, they reported 2,469 new mortgage loans to home owners and other real estate owners totaling \$6,728,148.

The average number of new loans reported per bank was 1, 276 and the average amount was \$835.

The average number of renewals per bank was 857, and the average renewal was for \$1,644.

The average number of new mortgages reported per bank was 14, and the average mortgage was for \$2,725.

In addition to making loans on individuals applications, the banks of the larger cities main tain what are known as "open lines of credit" on their books, available to regular business borrowers at all times. Nineteen banks reported such open lines of credit totaling \$25,223,971. However, only \$10,253, or 40 per cent of this credit, was being used by business firms on June 30.

Appeals for Finns



Capt. J. F. Lucey
Appointed by former President Herbert Hoover as Texas Director of the National Finnish Relief Fund, Captain J. F. Lucey urges Finns to subscribe money to aid Finnish civilians who have been driven out of home and home by the Russian attack on their country. Thousands are freezing and starving and immediate help is necessary. Capt. J. F. Lucey was associated with Mr. Hoover during the World War in carrying American aid to the Belgians. This newspaper will be glad to accept and forward funds, giving due credit in its columns.

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