

## STAR ★ DUST

BY NORMAN FISHER

**THIS HAS BEEN**, on the average, a pretty routine week so far for most Callahan County residents. But for one new Callahan family it has been anything but average and routine. For this has been a busy but rewarding week for the Fisher family, especially for the member who likes to think of himself as head of the household.

Any change to a new job disrupts the weekly routine. But this time has been especially different for us since we have jumped out on our own for the first time, rather than working for someone else.

It has been our pleasure to meet many new people this week, although we have many more to go. And we ask everyone's indulgence while we try to get the faces and names sorted out and put in the correct spot.

**THERE HAVE BEEN TWO** major stories this week in Callahan County, either of which is enough to provide plenty of coffee-cup conversation alone.

That, of course, is two of West Texans' favorite topics, rain and politics.

The politics, covered elsewhere in this issue, was the winding up of filing by candidates for the first primary as well as passing of the deadline to pay cussed and discussed poll tax.

The rain was slow enough to help grain and other crops, but also came at times heavy enough to provide runoff for much-needed stock water.

**WE ARE PRINTING** this week the final chapter of the eight chapters on the Belle Plaine Story written by Jean Williams of Lubbock. Mrs. Williams graciously allowed us to print the first few chapters of the book which is hearing completion.

It will be a large book with many more chapters. She has thanked Mrs. S. L. McElroy, B. C. Chrisman, Mrs. Corrie Driskill, Mrs. Rosa Ryan, Mrs. Maria Leache, Mrs. Veda Bennett and members of the "Barb Wire Club" for assisting her in gathering the material for the book.

Those interested in being notified when the book is being published can get the information by writing Mrs. Jean Williams, Craige-Lattimore Building, 3308 34th St., Lubbock, Texas. The names will be put on the publishers list.

Most everyone we've talked to on the book say that she has a remarkably true story on the early days of Belle Plaine.

**TO FOLLOW A PRACTICE** started by our predecessor, Elsworth Mayer, here's a bow to the week's supply of birthdays — Donny Schaffrina and Juanita Danielsen on Feb. 3; E. B. Barron on Feb. 6; Allen Lovell, Mary Jo Thompson, E. E. Crawford and Elaine Hass, Feb. 7; and Nila Towler, Feb. 8.

Aren't you glad you're a year older?

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## Baird Girls Keep Going With Win Over Clyde; Boys Lose to 'Dogs

Baird's all-winning girls racked up Clyde, 71-53, here Tuesday night while the Clyde Bulldogs were taking the boys game, 64-53 to maintain a share of the District 10-A lead.

The win moved the Baird girls a big step nearer sole possession of the district throne win. Baird's boys now stand at an even 4-4 league mark.

The two teams were to visit Albany Thursday night for a twin bill, next to the last of the year. They wind up the regular season next Tuesday night in Ranger.

Baird girls were to take the floor Thursday morning in the annual Hardin-Simmons University invitational tournament. The Callahan County bunch is among pre-tournament favorites.

## Mrs. Gibson, 90 Rites Thursday

Services for Mrs. J. J. (Myrla) Gibson, 90, longtime Clyde and Eula resident, were held at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Clyde Methodist Church with the Rev. Merriel Abbott, pastor, officiating.

Burial was in Eula Cemetery under direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

Mrs. Gibson died at 7:15 p.m. Monday in Sunshine Nursing Home at Abilene following a long illness.

The former Myrla Loveless, Mrs. Gibson was born Aug. 13, 1873 in Falls County. She married the late J. J. Gibson in Clyde, Dec. 18, 1895. She was a member of the Methodist Church.

Survivors include two sons, A. W. Gibson of Baird and J. T. Gibson of Clyde; six daughters, Mrs. Ross Farmer of Eula, Mrs. Troy Allen and Mrs. Steve Tarrant, both of Rt. 2, Clyde, Mrs. Ollie Burrow of Clyde, Mrs. H. A. Christian and Mrs. T. J. Humphrey, both of Colorado City; 22 grandchildren; 33 great-grandchildren; three sisters, Mrs. Kate Shelton and Mrs. Florence Tarrant, both of Clyde and Mrs. Robert Smith of Colorado City.

**New Vehicle License Plates Moving Fast**

Sale of new vehicle registration tags has been fairly brisk in Callahan County for the first week, according to Assessor-Collector Albert Lovell.

Tags are being issued from Lovell's office in the courthouse. The only planned substitution is at McCuin Insurance Agency in Cross Plains.

A total of 6,440 license plates were received for the county this year. The owner must present his certificate of title and 1963 registration receipt when securing new plates.

**Trustee Election Is Set for April 4 Here**

Baird Independent School District residents will elect three trustees in an election called for April 4. Deadline to file for the board is 5 p.m. March 4.

Three members will be named to the board. Current members whose terms expire are Terrell Williams, Roy Gilbreath and James Snyder.

Persons interested in becoming a candidate may file with the Callahan County judge's office.

**IN COMMISSIONER RACE** A. V. Curtis Jr., Callahan County native and a Baird businessman, has announced as a candidate for Precinct 1 county commissioner. He said Wednesday he will issue a formal statement on his candidacy later.

In Tuesday night's opener Karen Bearden chunked in 34 big points for Baird, while Paula Corn added 25 and Elaine Hass contributed 12 markers.

Carrying the defensive load were Sue Howard, Betty Corn, Sharon Jeter and Dana Corn.

Mitzie Trussell was the big gun for Clyde, flipping in 28 points mostly from outside. Charlene Waldon had eight and Lanelle Pettiet had 12.

Baird carried a 20-14 margin at the end of the first quarter and had stretched the edge to 39-25 by halftime. After three quarters it was 55-37.

For Baird's boys, Tommy Barton was the biggest point-getter with 19 counters. Richie Crow had 11, Maxie Gordon counted nine, Wally Harris added 10 and Jimmy Collins had four points.

Buddy Howe was the leader for Clyde and the game with 22 points.

Clyde ripped off an easy 20-9 cushion after a quarter, held a 34-22 edge at the half, and made it 46-31 as the final quarter opened.

In an earlier game the Baird B team girls edged past Clyde, 35-33 behind the shooting of Maggie Westbrook and Peggy Gordon, who had 17 and 15 points, respectively.

It was close all the way, although the Baird team lead at the end of each period. It was 10-9 after a quarter, 22-21 at halftime, and 27-24 after three periods.

**Baird Cagers Increase Lead**

Baird's unbeaten girls basketball team strengthened its No. 1 mark in state Class A circles in ratings released this week by the Texas High School Girls Basketball Coaches Assn.

The front-running Baird sextet amassed 90 points in the poll of coaches, easily outdistancing runner-up Moulton's 76 points. The margin was a strong increase over the last poll.

Following Moulton, in order through the top 10, were Dilley, Midway (Waco), Sudan, Central of Pollock, Talco, Poth, Grape-land and Sundown. The only team in the top 10 to meet the Baird team, Talco, fell easily to the Callahan County crew earlier this year, 52-34.

The Baird girls were also the feature Class A team of the month in the January issue of the coaches' monthly publication.

The team was pictured in the edition. Also carried were names of starters and the team's record to date this season.

**Rainfall for Baird Reaches 4-Inch Mark**

Rains which ranged from pouring to drizzle brought four inches of moisture to Baird during the week. Most of the fall came Monday and Tuesday.

The total pushes 1964 rainfall to well ahead of normal, and brought plenty of smiles to farmers and ranchers.

The rain not only provided a solid basis of moisture for grain and pastureland, but came up with sufficient runoff to fill most stock tanks almost to the overflow point.

Farm prospects for the area were brightened considerably by the fall.

# Busy Political Year Looming For Callahan County Voters

Politics, like June, has busted out all over in Callahan County.

Five contested races loom for the Democratic primary after filings with County Demo Chairman A. E. Dyer Jr. Heading the list is a crowded five-way race to succeed the retiring Sheriff Homer Price.

Price also announced for re-election but later decided to retire at the end of his current term, which expires Dec. 31.

Making the race to succeed Price are Tod Newton of Baird, a deputy sheriff the past four years; James E. Day of Clyde, a longtime resident of this area; A. H. Turner, Baird businessman; W. C. (Smoky) Edwards,

supply company representative; N. L. Long of Cross Plains, also a county deputy sheriff.

All five have already hit the active campaign trail.

Of area interest is the race between Wayne Gibbons of Breckenridge, 63rd District representative, and Roger Q. Evans of Baird, long active in state and area World War I Veteran activities.

The 63rd District includes not only Callahan, but Shackelford, Stephens and Eastland Counties.

Two Callahan County officials filed for another term without drawing opponents. They are County Attorney James Paul Shanks and Tax Assessor-Collector Albert Lovell.

Both county commissioners whose terms expire next Dec. face competition in the upcoming primary. Running against incumbent Roscoe Shellnut in Precinct 1 is A. V. Curtis Jr., while opposing Commissioner W. A. White in Precinct 3 is F. P.

Dyer filed as the only candidate for Callahan County Democratic chairman and Hugh Ross is the only Precinct 1 Demo chairman candidate. There are no other precinct chairmen who filed for a ballot spot.

Precinct chairmen will meet Feb. 10, Dyer said, to assess election charges to the various candidates. Assessments must be paid by Feb. 15 if the candidate is to remain eligible.

Next step after assessment of charges is drawing by Democratic officials for the order candidates' names will appear on the ballot.

**CofC Banquet To Hear Band**

Arrangements are nearing completion for the annual dinner meeting of the Baird Chamber of Commerce, which will be held at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 14 in the school cafeteria.

Officers for the new year, who will be formally introduced at the banquet, will be elected at a meeting of directors scheduled for Friday. Raymond Young is current president.

Entertainment for the banquet will be provided by the Baird High School stage band. R. L. McMillon, Abilene insurance executive, will be principal speaker.

Tickets are on sale for \$2.50 each and may be purchased from directors or at the chamber of commerce office.

Mrs. Max Harper will be at the piano for dinner music and the Rev. Bob Eklund, pastor of First Baptist Church, will give the invocation.

James Paul Shanks is general chairman of the banquet. Howard Farmer and C. H. Lunsford are in charge of tickets; members of the program committee are Farmer, Clyde White and Jon Hardwick, in charge of decorations are Tish Reeves, Bess Driskill, Vance Stephenson, Mary Holley, NaNetha Walker and Betty Hardwick.

**SCD Supervisors Call Flood Program Meets**

Supervisors of the Central Colorado Soil Conservation District are calling meetings of interested landowners and other people in the Upper Pecan Bayou watershed to discuss tentative plans for upstream flood prevention.

One meeting will be held at the Burkett Community Center Feb. 13 at 1:30 p.m. J. B. McCord of Coleman will represent the board of supervisors at the Burkett meeting.

The other meeting will be held at the Community Center in Clyde at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 17. Weldon Edwards of Clyde will represent supervisors at the Clyde meeting.

A representative of the Soil Conservation Service will be present at each meeting to give information that has been gained by preliminary surveys of the Pecan Bayou Watershed.

**Funeral Held For Robinson**

Services for George A. Robinson, 83, of Cross Plains were held at 3 p.m. Wednesday in Godfrey Funeral Home chapel here. The Rev. Bob Eklund of Baird officiated.

Burial was in Ross Cemetery. Mr. Robinson, a native of Tennessee, died in Abilene Tuesday morning. He was born Jan. 10, 1881 and had been a Callahan County resident most of his life. He was a sign painter for many years, and a member of the Baptist church.

Survivors include his wife, Clarice Robinson of Cross Plains; three sons, Paul of Abilene, Troy of Los Angeles, Calif., and J. D. of Atlanta, Ga.; three daughters, Lucille Robinson of Phoenix, Ariz., Mrs. Ray Riley of Corpus Christi and Mrs. Henry Starnes of Tyler; 13 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

**Baird Band Boosters Meet Monday Night**

Baird High School Band Boosters Club will hold its monthly meeting Monday at 7 p.m. in the school cafeteria, according to Max Harper, band director.

Several important items are due for discussion, Harper said. The Cub band, composed of fifth and sixth graders, will present its first program of the year.

The meeting is open to anyone interested in the school band program.

**Sonny Caldwell Home After Army Service**

Sp/5 Madison (Sonny) Caldwell, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Caldwell of Baird, has arrived at home following his discharge from the U. S. Army.

He spent three years in the service, including 31 months in the Stuttgart, Germany area with the U.S. 7th Army.

Caldwell will be manager of Caldwell Furniture store in Clyde following a short vacation.

**2,219 Callahan County Residents Pay Poll Tax; 582 Pay in Baird**

A total of 2,219 Callahan County residents paid their poll tax this year, including 582 in Baird, according to figures by Tex Assessor-Collector Albert Lovell.

Besides the 2,219 paid poll taxes, 48 exemption certificates were issued to residents who have just turned 21 years of age.

There is no accurate way to estimate the number of other Callahan residents qualified to vote without either poll tax receipt or exemption certificate because of age.

A total of 13 exemption certificates were issued in Baird. Clyde turned up with the largest voting box in the county, producing 658 paid poll taxes and 18 exemptions. Cross Plains is third with 491 polls and four exemptions.

Others in the county include Cottonwood, 33 polls; Admiral, 26 polls and one exemption; Putnam, 143 polls and six exemptions; Eula, 120 polls and three exemptions; Dudley, 27 polls and one exemption; Atwell, 18 polls; Oplin, 48 polls and one exemption; Rowden, 28 polls and one exemption; Denton, 45 polls.

Lovell's office Wednesday began issuing free registration certificates to persons who did not pay their poll tax. The certificates will allow the voter to cast a ballot in national elections — for which the poll tax has been abolished — but will not permit a vote in city, county or state elections.

Persons who have paid their poll tax do not need to secure the certificates. They are already qualified to vote in any election this year.

**Pierce Services In Big Spring**

BIG SPRING — Services were held at 2 p.m. Thursday for Ronnie Dale Pierce, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Pierce of Big Spring and grandson of a former Callahan County sheriff.

Burial was in Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring. Young Pierce died at 2 a.m. Wednesday in Abilene's Hendrick Memorial Hospital, where he underwent brain surgery Sunday. He struck his head against a brick wall in a fall, then struck his head again Saturday during a scuffle with his sister.

He was a senior in Big Spring High School.

Surviving in addition to his parents are the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Pierce of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Newton of Brownwood; a brother, Jimmie Joe; and a sister, Carla Jean.

Joe Pierce is a former Callahan County sheriff.

**NOTICE**

Application for a regular permit to dispose of oil field waste, originating and disposed of on the L. L. Shell lease (09486) and the Slaughter-Huffman lease (00627) Callahan County, Texas to the Texas Water Pollution Control Board, has been made by A. V. Jones & Son, Albany, Texas.

**McCracken Nominee For High Lion Post**

James P. McCracken has been nominated by the Cisco Lions Club as a candidate for District Governor of 2E-1 for 1964-65. The new leader will be elected at the annual district convention in Wichita Falls in May 1964.

Nominated by the Cisco Lions Club, McCracken had held several offices in his home club and zone as well as the district. He is past president and director of the Cisco Lions Club, a past zone chairman, a past deputy district governor, and is currently serving as director of the Texas Lions League for Crippled Children. He is a life member of the Lions Crippled Childrens Camp at Kerrville.

A native of Cisco, McCracken is president of Cisco's bank.

**PLAZA**

Show Starts 7:00  
FRI. — SAT.

'Giant'  
ROCK HUDSON  
ELIZABETH TAYLOR

SUN. - MON. - TUES.

'Days of Wine and Roses'  
JACK LEMMON  
LEE REMICK

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To Internal Revenue**

If you owe additional tax  
when filing your 1963 Federal  
income tax return, be sure to  
enclose your check or money  
order made payable to "Internal  
Revenue Service."

Send your return and payment  
in full to the District Director of  
Internal Revenue, Dallas, Texas,  
not later than April 15. This  
word of advice comes from Ellis  
Campbell Jr., District Director of  
the Dallas District.

**Buster Garys Hosts  
Birthday Gathering**

Mr. and Mrs. Buster Gary en-  
tertained with a birthday din-  
ner, Sunday, honoring her fath-  
er, M. L. Morgan of Scranton.  
Those present to honor Mr.  
Morgan were his wife, Mr. and  
Mrs. Glen Morgan, Janice and  
Gayle of Brownwood, Mr. and  
Mrs. Clarence Bush and Jimmy  
Hargrove of Cross Plains, Mr.  
and Mrs. Jim Whitehead and  
James of Cisco, Mr. and Mrs.  
Allen Morgan, Diane and Cindy,  
Mrs. W. D. Runnels, Mr. and  
Mrs. Henry Lamb, all of San  
Angelo, Mr. and Mrs. Robert  
Tonne, Bobby, Roger and Bren-  
da of Moran.

**Jr. Wednesday Club  
Meets In Dyer Home**

The Junior Wednesday Club  
met Monday, Jan. 20, in the  
home of Mrs. A. E. Dyer, Jr.,  
with Mrs. Jim Higgins as co-  
hostess.

The meeting was opened by  
Mrs. Bruce Williams. Mrs. Jim  
Higgins led the Freedom Pledge.  
Guest speaker was Robert  
Barnhill, Army Reservist, who  
presented films portraying his  
tour of duty in Turkey.

Present for the interesting  
meeting were 17 club members  
and 12 guests. Next meeting will  
be February 3 in the home of  
Mrs. Dick Vestal.



**AUSTIN** — A controversial  
section of the new Texas Regu-  
latory Loan Act, passed last year  
after 36 years of legislative  
wrangling over loan control, has  
been declared unconstitutional.

District Judge Herman Jones  
of Austin held invalid the pro-  
vision that at least 51 per cent  
of stock in lending firms operat-  
ing in Texas must be owned by  
Texans.

Jones emphasized this was the  
only section of the 1963 act af-  
fected by his ruling in a suit  
brought by three out-of-state  
firms.

The companies whose subsid-  
iaries operate in at least eight  
Texas cities charged the in-state  
ownership requirement violated  
state and federal due process  
and equal protection guarantees.

American Investment Co., a  
Delaware Corporation; Indus-  
trial Finance and Thrift Corp.  
of Louisiana; and Consolidated  
Credit Co. of Charlotte, N.C.,  
joined by a number of other  
out-of-state firms, instigated  
the suit.

Their subsidiaries operate in  
Houston, Dallas, San Antonio,  
Fort Worth, El Paso, Waco, Tex-  
arkana and Arlington.

Regulatory Loan Commis-  
sioner Frank Miskell refused licenses  
to them.

**COMMITTEE ON HIGHER  
EDUCATION** — the Governor's  
Committee on Education Beyond  
the High School is well ahead of  
schedule, reports Dr. A. B. Mar-  
tin, executive director.

Earlier this year, the commit-  
tee — made up of leading indus-  
trialists and educators — set  
an April date for preliminary  
reports for the recommendations  
due Gov. John Connally in Aug-  
ust. Studies on education in  
public and private colleges and  
universities, and professional  
and technological needs have  
advanced so well that subcom-  
mittees and their consultants  
have been discharged, Martin  
said, and the April date has been  
moved back to Feb. 19.

**PARK IMPROVEMENTS** —  
Tuesday's ground-breaking cere-  
monies at Falcon State Park in  
Starr and Zapata Counties near  
Zapata launched a three-park  
improvement program which  
will cost \$1,041,966.  
The \$279,416 in improvements

at Falcon will include a boat  
ramp, parking area, paved road,  
24 shelters, 50 tent campsites  
with water, cooking grills, tables,  
three restrooms with showers  
and laundry units, ranger's resi-  
dence and concession building.

Similar improvements are  
planned for Dam "B" Park near  
Jasper in East Texas and Lake  
Whitney State Park in Central  
Texas, according to J. Weldon  
Watson, Parks and Wildlife De-  
partment executive director.

**TOURIST PLAN UNVEILED** —  
A pilot plan designed to bring  
more foreign visitors to Texas  
was announced by Governor  
Connally.

Sen. Walter Richter of Gon-  
zales, the governor's representa-  
tive, and Walter Meyer of San  
Antonio, who originated the  
plan, took off for Germany Sun-  
day to test the program.

They hope to encourage 40 to  
50 German citizens to make a  
16-day red carpet tour of Texas'  
leading cities and historic spots  
from Oct. 15 through Nov. 2.

Texas Tourist Development  
Agency is sponsoring the pro-  
jected program in cooperation  
with Chamber of Commerce and  
interested private citizens. No  
public funds are involved.

The tourists, of course, will  
pay their own way, although  
some will benefit from hospital-  
ity in Texas homes. First visitors  
will get special low plane fare  
and at-cost prices all around.

It is hoped the initial visit by  
the Germans will establish  
guidelines for a continuing  
long-range program to boost  
travel in Texas by globe-trotters  
from other lands.

**CONNALLY IN CIRCULATION** —  
Governor Connally returned  
to duty at his office in the Cap-  
itol last week, for the first time  
since he was wounded in Dallas  
on November 22 by the assassin  
of President Kennedy.

Connally announced a travel-  
ing and speaking schedule which  
included visits to UPI and AP  
managing editors' conventions  
here; a Boy Scout report cere-  
mony in the Capitol; Abilene's  
B-52 day celebration on Feb. 15;  
the Laredo Washington Birth-  
day festival on Feb. 22; the  
Paper Industry Salesmen's Ass'n  
meeting in New York on Feb.  
25; dedication of the New York  
World's Fair Texas exhibit on  
Feb. 26; and probably a visit  
with President Johnson in  
Washington on the way back to  
Texas.

**DIVERSION PAYMENTS** —  
Agri. Comm. John C. White says  
Texas farmers should not count  
on a cotton land diversion pay-  
ment plan, as has been rumor-  
ed.

White says Texas farmers  
should go ahead and release  
their unwanted cotton allot-  
ments back to their local ASC  
committee so the permits can be  
reassigned to other parts of the  
state. He urged cotton growers  
to protect their future allot-  
ments by releasing unused per-  
mits before Feb. 4 deadline, as  
in years past.

**BRACERO PROGRAM** — The  
U. S. Congress has extended the  
bracero program for another  
year through 1964 — as a com-  
promise between the close-out  
or phase-out argument by states  
where the contract laborers  
from Mexico are employed. How-  
ever, figures from the Texas  
Employment Commission indi-  
cate that a phase-out has been  
in effect in Texas for the past  
two years.

Henry LeBlanc of the commis-  
sion's farm labor division re-  
ports that 38,000 bracero worked  
on Texas crops in Aug., 1961;  
12,917 in Aug., 1962; and 12,008  
in Aug., 1963.

**SHORT SNORTS**  
Atty. Gen. Waggoner Carr  
named Judge Hawthorne Phil-  
lips of Harlingen as his first  
assistant. He succeeds Albert  
Jones of Houston who had ac-  
cepted temporary appointment.

"The Eyes of Texas" now is  
public property. The University  
of Texas' copyright expired on  
Jan. 30, and couldn't be renewed.  
Traffic death toll for 1963 was  
2,793, largest in history by far,  
according to the Department of

Public Safety. Figure 1 san in-  
crease of 282 over 1962.

The governor's office will be  
located in the old State Agricul-  
ture Department quarters on the  
Capitol's first floor, during ex-  
tensive remodeling and enlarge-  
ment of the executive suite.

UT Bureau of Business Res-  
earch reports new construction  
in 1963 dropped \$14,200,000, but  
expenditures for additions, al-  
terations and repairs increased  
by \$17,800,000 for a net gain of  
\$3,600,000 over 1962.

State Supreme Court held the  
Railroad Commission can't with-  
hold future drilling permits from  
operators of slanted oil wells  
who want to straighten their  
wells. Almost 1,000 slanted wells  
have been shut in since 1962.

**Farmers Home  
Boosts Area**

The U.S. Department of Agri-  
culture's Farmers Home Admin-  
istration made or insured \$74½  
million in loans to Texas farm  
and other rural families, dur-  
ing 1963, L. J. Cappleman, state  
director of the agency announce-  
ed in Temple today.

A total of 11,977 families used  
one or more of the agency's loan  
programs during the year.

Farmers Home Administration  
operates a broad program of  
supplementary credit for rural  
development in Texas.

The agency makes loans for  
family farming operations, farm  
development, rural housing,  
community water systems, soil  
and water conservation and de-  
velopment, recreation enterprises  
and other purposes.

Loans are made only to bor-  
rowers who cannot obtain credit  
from banks, Production Credit  
Associations, and other conven-  
tional lenders.

**Rowden News  
BY MRS. B. CROW**

Mr. and Mrs. N. V. Gibbs at-  
tended a dairy meeting at the  
home of Mr. and Mrs. Watts at  
Wylie last Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Price vi-  
sited his brother, Alzie Price, last  
week.

Roger Gibbs of Abilene spent  
last week with his grandparents,  
Mr. and Mrs. B. Crow. His moth-  
er and brother, Mrs. Dale Gibbs  
and Gary, came for him Satur-  
day afternoon, they went to  
Snyder Saturday night for a  
visit with Mrs. Gibbs sister and  
family, Mr. and Mrs. Donald  
Stephens and girls.

Mrs. Lella Gibbs visited with  
Mrs. George B. Scott Sunday  
evening.

Those that visited Mr. and  
Mrs. Gene Mauldin recently  
were their three children and  
their families, Mr. and Mrs.  
Carl Mauldin and family of  
Irving, Mrs. Willie Masters and  
girls of Snyder and Mr. and Mrs.  
Roland Mauldin of Abilene.  
Other visitors were Mr. and  
Mrs. Oran Bains and Sue and  
L. T. Mauldin of this commu-  
nity.

Mrs. B. Crow visited with  
Mrs. Jimmy West and Cindy  
Saturday afternoon.

Ray Boen spent last week end  
at Fort Worth with his sister,  
Mrs. Annys Miller, and other  
relatives.

Mrs. Ray Boen visited Mrs.  
Oran Bains last Friday.

J. A. Sikes visited Dock King  
and Emory Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Sam Holloway is spend-  
ing a few days in Abilene with  
Mr. and Mrs. Homer Gambels  
and family and Miss Gertrude  
Dowdy. Mrs. Holloway and Mr.  
and Mrs. Roy Thornton also at-  
tended the 50th wedding anni-  
versary for Mr. and Mrs. Joe  
Pierce at Abilene Sunday, Feb.  
2.

**Whitt is Promoted  
To Staff Sergeant**

**AMARILLO AFB** — Barney G.  
Whitt of Baird has been pro-  
moted to staff sergeant in the  
Air Force.

Sergeant Whitt, a supply spec-  
ialist, is assigned to the 688th  
Aircraft Control and Warning  
Squadron here.

The sergeant, whose sister is  
Mrs. Pearl Blakely of Baird,  
is a former student at Ranger  
High School. His father is Ray-  
mond O. Whitt of Coleman.

Sergeant Whitt's wife, Ladella,  
is the daughter of J. B. Perkins  
of Lewisville.

**131 Callahan County Businesses  
Get Forms From Dun, Bradstreet**

**FORT WORTH** — A. J. Hemp-  
hill, district manager of the Fort  
Worth office of Dun & Brad-  
street, Inc., said this week state-  
ment requests have been mailed  
to 131 businesses in Callahan  
County. He said figures obtain-  
ed from a physical count of the  
Dun & Bradstreet Reference  
Book for January, 1964.

Hemphill noted that each  
January business concerns in all  
parts of the United States are  
asked by Dun & Bradstreet for  
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being sent to nearly three mil-  
lion business concerns — to the  
corner grocery store worth a  
few thousand dollars as well as  
to businesses worth millions.

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ence Book lists manufacturers,  
wholesalers, and retailers who  
seek or grant commercial credit  
but it does not include some of  
the service and professional busi-  
nesses such as beauty and bar-  
ber shops, security dealers and  
real estate brokers. Therefore,  
the figures for total business in  
the United States would be  
higher than the three million  
quoted above.

During the past year, Hemp-  
hill said, 89 changes were made  
in the Dun & Bradstreet Refer-  
ence Book listings of Callahan  
County business, including 26  
names added, 25 names deleted,  
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# The Belle Plaine Story

BY JEAN WILLIAMS

## CHAPTER VIII

The first celebrity that came to the county was ex-governor, now United States Senator from Tennessee, Isham Marris, Sr., when he came to visit his friend Captain John Trent of Eagle Cove in the summer of '78.

Harris had been elected governor of the state in 1857, been reelected in '59. While in office had seen the division of his state brought on by Anti-Secessionists headed by Andrew Johnson who later became President of the United States after Abraham Lincoln had been assassinated. The Governor and his followers brought about Tennessee's secession and Harris stayed in office throughout the War. At its end, the Federal Government put a price on his head and his escape and arrival in Mexico would almost provide enough adventure for a full length book. At Vera Cruz, he secured passage on a ship bound for England, docked in Liverpool where,

through the help of friends was admitted to the English Bar. He practiced his profession on alien soil for the next two and a half years until the hue and cry about him raised by Johnson's carpetbagging government had subsided and it was safe to return to Memphis and his family. He returned to politics in 1877 had been elected by the people of his state to go to the senate in Washington, D. C.

Captain Trent, of course, took the Senator to Belle Plaine where he and his sons who had accompanied him to Callahan, went to the court house to find out about lands available in the county since Senator Harris wanted to buy some ranch land and get the young men started in the cattle business.

Doubtless the Captain introduced them to Clabe Merchant and asked him to advise them on the proposed new venture.

Merchant, of course, knowing the cattle business and all of the hazards a man could encounter in it probably let them know that they would have to do much more than buy cattle, acquire a herd then get it ready for market and sit back and wait

of the green-backs to come in. It was not the dashing and romantic life that they might imagine, it was hard and rough and a man had to be ready for every and all emergency like for instance the time that he was accused of rustling cattle when he wasn't even aware that some one else's cows had joined his herd.

It happened in Van Zandt County, Texas, which had become famous during the War as the county which had succeeded from Texas after Texas succeeded from the Union.

He and his men had occasion to take a herd through this cantankerous county which was populated for the most part by farmers who always had one or more milk cows in their pastures sometimes located by the public roads and not all of them had placed fences around their lands. Merchant was well aware of this and had his men constantly on the watch to see that some of these milk producing bovines didn't leave their homes and join their less domesticated cousins going up the road.

In spite of all the diligence of his men, two milk cows did attach themselves to the herd.

The farmer who owned these cows had noticed the cow men and the bellowing charges going up the road by his place. Since he was most suspicious of any man riding a horse that even resembled a cowboy, he made tracks to the pasture where he counted his bunch of milk cows.

Two, he found were missing, instead of following Merchant and asking him to cut out the two animals and return them to him, he went to the barn, got a mule saddled and rode into the county seat nearby and informed the Sheriff that two of his prize milk cows had been rustled by a bunch of good for nothing cowboys taking their own herd past his place. He demanded that the Sheriff recover his property without delay. The Sheriff rounded up a posse from some of the men hanging round the jail and together with the farmer rode out of town to overtake the herd.

They didn't have to ride long since the cattle only were making about ten miles a day.

When they overtook the herd, the Sheriff asked who was in charge and who owned the cattle? About this time Clabe had ridden up and wanted to know what was going on. The Sheriff asked him if he owned the cattle. Merchant admitted ownership and then the Sheriff rather forcibly made mention that it looked as though Clabe were trying to get away with another man's cattle and THAT was against the law.

Merchant told him that if there were any cattle in the herd that didn't carry his brand, he wasn't aware of it, but he'd stop the herd and let them look it over.

The farmer and the sheriff rode all through the herd and right in the middle were the two milk cows getting acquainted and contented as you please.

The Farmer hollered that those were his cows and insisted that Merchant be arrested and carried right off to jail. The posse outnumbered the cattlemen and Clabe was ridden to the county seat and jail.

Fortunately he was allowed bond and able to go back and

join his herd, but informed that he'd have to appear for the trial. Meanwhile, the Grand Jury met, the sheriff and the farmer were called before it on the matter of the stolen cattle, an indictment was returned against Merchant and the case was called for trial.

After the jury was impaneled, the District Attorney put the Farmer on the stand since it was by him that the lawyer would make his case. The only other essential to be proved to make the case for the state was that the defendant had to be identified as the man who was getting away with the cattle.

The District Attorney asked 'he Farmer if he saw the man who had taken the cattle, the reply was affirmative. He was then asked if he saw the man in the court room who had taken his cattle, again the answer was "yes". The Plaintiff was then asked to point out to the court the man in question. The Farmer looked a bit disturbed as he saw two men sitting where only one should have been and they both looked alike. He had only seen the defendant on one occasion and he hesitated to identify either of the two men as the defendant.

The District Attorney again requested that he identify the defendant, the judge repeated this request and informed him that it was necessary that he point out the defendant in the case and identify him as the rustler.

The Farmer stated that it was one of the two men who were sitting side by side but just couldn't say which one, BUT it was one of them.

With this, the District Attorney asked his honor if he would be kind enough to have the prisoner Clabe Merchant stand up? The Judge obliged and issued the order, both men obeyed the Judge and stood up, this annoyed him and he hollered out that Clabe Merchant was to stand up and the other man was to sit down, but both men continued to stand, the Judge was exasperated and roared for both of them to sit down which they promptly did. Once again he ordered Clabe Merchant to stand up and both men who were remarkably alike in appearance and dress once again obliged, furious, the judge told them to sit down.

The distrustful District Attorney then asked the plaintiff to step down from the box and summoned the Sheriff to be sworn in and to take the stand.

Again, the same question was asked of the Sheriff. Could he identify the man who had taken the plaintiff's cattle? The Sheriff stated that certain identification was not possible because both men looked alike to him, he'd only seen one man at the time of the arrest, now there were two that looked alike and he couldn't be sure.

The Judge so instructed the jury who without leaving their seats rendered the verdict desired by the court.

Once again, Merchant was asked to stand up, again both men rose and stood before the judge who by this time was completely fed up with the situation and curtly announced that "Clabe Merchant was not guilty of rustling cattle".

Without a word, the two men silently left the court room and probably the only man who from the docket.

The Baird Star, Baird, Callahan County, Texas, February 7, 1964

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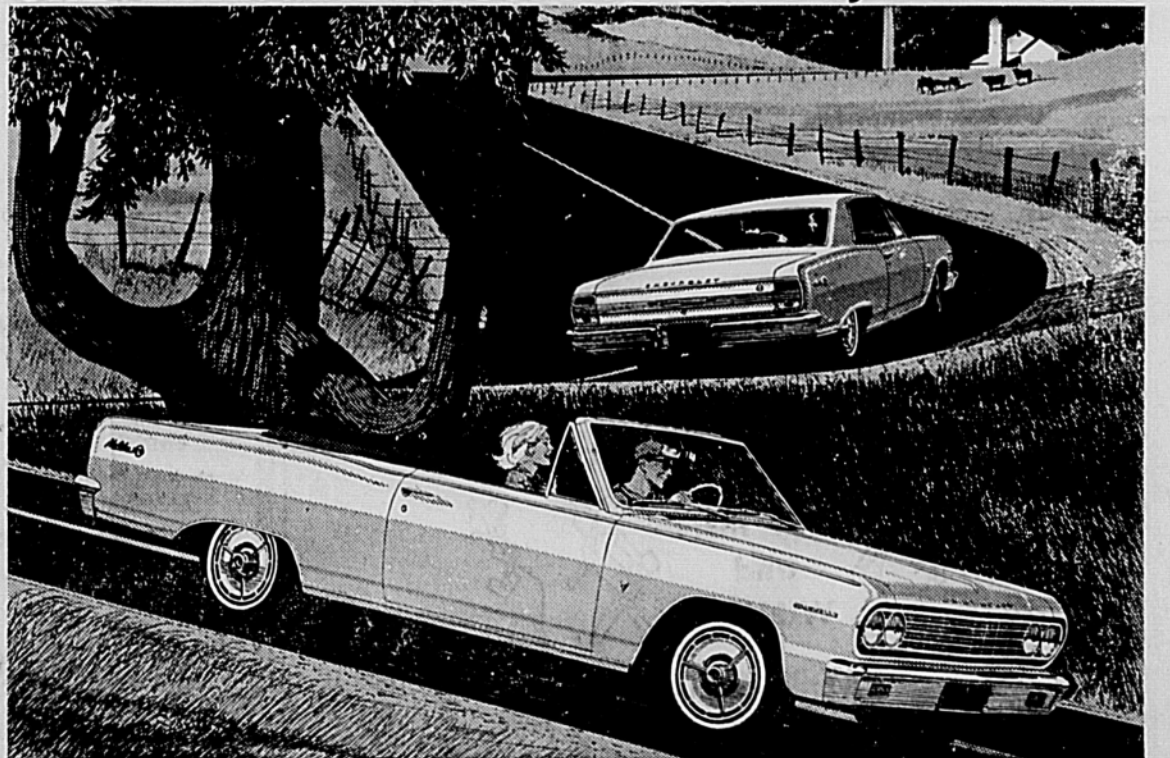
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# Baird High Band, Junior Band Planning Busy February, March

**BY MARY JO THOMPSON**  
On March 21 there are many numbers of the Baird band who have entered in the solo and ensemble contest in Brownwood. The stage band is playing for the Chamber of Commerce Banquet on Friday, Feb. 14. On Feb. 21 in Brownwood there is an annual Stage Band Festival which the stage band will attend.

The Cub Band will make its first public appearance this year when they play for the Band Boosters meeting Monday night. Mr. Harper is attending the Texas Music Educators Convention in Houston this week. The All-State Band, orchestra and choir will high-light the convention when they present a combination concert Saturday night.

Several from Baird are entering the Junior All-District contest at Clyde on Feb. 15. The students will try out Saturday morning. Tim Jones of Hamlin will be the clinician during rehearsals that afternoon.

The day will be climaxed by a concert of the All-District Band at 7:30 in the Clyde High School Auditorium. Everyone is invited.

Those attending from Baird are Jackie Winters, Hal Miller, Butch Smith, Jimmie Smith, George Fugua, Billy Bollinger, Joyce Howard, Janice Bryant, Kerry White, Barbara Voights, Johnny Voights, Cindy White, Lana Coley, Rea Corn, Ada Black, Marian Odom, Carley Carrico, Diane Petty, Marsha Petty, Mary Ann Bell, Cathy Townsend, Franklin Alexander and Nancy Deal.

## Presbyterian Women Begin New Study

The Women of the Presbyterian Church met Wednesday night in the home of Mrs. Paul Washburn, with Mrs. James Asbury and Mrs. Juanita Danielson as co-hostesses.

Mrs. Vernon Townsend presided for a business meeting.

Mrs. W. L. Ivey gave the first chapter of the study, "Be What You Are." A study guide on Colossians and Philimon.

Following the program, refreshments were served to Mmes. Ernest Hill, Mary Kehrer, Ruby Berry, Sallie Eastham, W. L. Ivey, Vernon Townsend, James Asbury, Margaret Wadsworth, Emma Boyd and Juanita Danielson.

W. L. Cain purchased the Floyd C. Pool leases Tuesday afternoon.

## Young People Have Charge Of Service

The young people of the Methodist Church took over all responsibility of the worship service Sunday evening, January 26.

In place of the regular ushers and greeters, Mike Hart, Donny Schaffrina, Steve Stanley and Jay Conley were at these posts.

The talks which were given as part of the program were: "What is God," by B. P. Stephenson; "Time to Matriculate," given by Carol Lynn McGowen and "Let Hope Work for You", presented by Hal Miller. There was a great deal of time put in on these topics, which went to make them more interesting.

Nancy Deal was in charge of the singing, accompanied by Carol Lynn McGowen at the piano and Mrs. C. M. Peek at the organ. Singing in the choir were Mary Jo Thompson, Mary Ann Bell, Diane Petty, and Jean and Laura Schaffrina. A special solo was sung by Mary Jo Thompson: "His Eye Is On The Sparrow". Bobby Jack Sims led the responsive reading.

## Benny Brame Takes Honor At Stock Show

The 1965 Southwestern Exposition is scheduled for January 29 through February 7. President-Manager W. R. Watt has announced.

Benny Brame of Baird, has shown the reserve champion Charolais on hoof of the 1964 Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show, Jan. 24 - Feb. 2.

Significance of the honor is underscored by the fact that 5,824 cattle, sheep and swine — topping last year's total by 370 head — were entered in this year's show. The total entry list of all departments exceeds 10,500.

Mrs. W. E. Higginbotham of Eastland is visiting her daughter, Mrs. James Matthews and Mrs. Matthews.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Hunt and children spent the week end in Hillsboro with his mother, Mrs. H. H. Hunt.

## Miller to Enter Calf Scramble

HOUSTON — Hal Miller, Baird FFA Club member, will be a contestant in the calf scramble at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Feb. 28, at the 7:45 p.m. performance. He will see "America's Wildest Rodeo" as a guest of the show at this performance.

The Houston show's calf scramble will again qualify as the "world's greatest" when the first of a series of 19 contests takes place in the Sam Houston Coliseum Feb. 19.

When the Houston show held its first scramble in 1942, 24 calves were awarded. It was not dreamed that the project would result in putting some 4000 boys into the cattle business in the next 22 years.

Dates for the Houston show are Feb. 19 through March 1. It will open with the traditional downtown parade beginning at 10 a.m.

Salt Grass Trail Riders will begin their annual 4-day, 90 mile ride from Brenham to Houston Feb. 15 and arrive in time to participate in the parade.

The rodeo, which is R.C.A. approved, will offer \$47,630 added prize money, the largest purse in America except the National Finals — an R.C.A. event. A new attraction at the '64 show is a Wild Buffalo Stampede.

Stars for the show will be Eddy Arnold, "The Tennessee Plowboy", and Michael Landon, "Little Joe" of the Bonanza television series.

## Ted Poindexter Accepts Pastorate

Ted Poindexter of Baird has been appointed as minister of the West Church of Christ in West, Texas, near Waco.

Mr. Poindexter, who has been attending ACC and preaching at the Truby Church of Christ, near Anson, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Mart Poindexter of Baird. His wife is the former Beverly Curtis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Curtis of Baird. They have two children, a son, Martin, 4, and a daughter, Jan, 18 months.

## PSI PHI Meets In Ray Black Home

Psi Phi Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met Thursday, Jan. 16, at 4:00 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Homer Driskill. Mrs. Ray Black called the meeting to order and led the opening ritual.

Tentative plans for rush activities were outlined by Mrs. Bill Skinner, membership chairman. The first of which was a Mexican dinner at the Ray Black home, Jan. 18, at 7:30 p.m. Other activities are to include a tea, a coke party and game night and perhaps one or two others.

Mrs. Driskill presented a program "The Connoisseur", by showing her personal collection of antiques, cut glass and many other items collected through the years. Among these were her wedding dress.

Mrs. Stanley Harris showed a doll belonging to Miss Georgie Sikes. This doll had been in Miss Sikes' possession at least 75 years, and illustrated how, through the fast changing years some things stay the same. Little girls for many years have enjoyed playing with dolls just as they do now.

Miss Beckye Griggs, Co-hostess was in charge of the social hour following the business session.

Present for the business session and social in addition to Mmes. Driskill, Black, Skinner, Harris and Miss Griggs were Mmes. Todd Newton, Dick Vestal, James Herring, Kenneth McPherson, R. L. Smedley, Jr., Robert Barnhill, Winn Talley, Mike Young and Frank Windham, Social Director of the chapter.

## Thompson Earns Employe of Year Title at Burbank

Dee Thompson of Burbank, Calif., son of Mr. and Mrs. Bonnie Thompson of Baird, has been named employe of the year by the Burbank City Employees Assn.

Thompson, an electrical foreman with Burbank Public Service Dept., has been a city employe 18 years. He was presented a watch in recognition of the honor.

A committee of five former winners chose Thompson on the basis of his "continuing and dedicated service to the organization."

Thompson, an employe of the City of Burbank since Oct., 1946, is a former chairman of the organization's wage and salary committee. He is a veteran of the navy in World War II.

He and his wife, Patricia, have four children.

Mrs. Mildred Bradford of Albany visited with her mother, Mrs. Guy Israel, Friday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Israel of Abilene spent Saturday afternoon with his mother, Mrs. Israel.

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# NEWS OF MORAN

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Thorn-ton and daughter of Abilene spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Cain.

Mr. and Mrs. Royal Pinnell of Dallas spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Ben Pinnell. Week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Blackstock were Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hudman of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Blackstock of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Singleton of Breckenridge visited her par-

ents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Donah-who, Friday.

J. O. Caffey of Irving visited his sister, Mrs. Oran Dennis, and Mr. Dennis, Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Killouth and children of Big Spring visited with Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Stroud, the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Crews of Gorman spent the week end with Mrs. A. T. Crews and daughters.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Tollett of Albany visited with her sister, Mrs. Ella Eubanks, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hillie McCanlies of Hamlin visited with Mr. and Mrs. John Pettit, and Merle Newton and other friends in Moran Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hock of Cisco visited with his mother, Mrs. A. L. Hock, Sunday.

Mrs. Jessie Hagar and Juanita spent the week end in Eastland with their parents and grand-parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hagar.

Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Ricks and children of Abilene spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Freeman.

Mr. and Mrs. John Adams of Killeen spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Olan Smith.

Mrs. Virgie Garrett of Sterling City and Mrs. Beecher Sherrod of Tahoka spent a few days with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Randolph Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Buchanan of Anson spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. G. W. Thames, and Mr. Thames.

Mr. and Mrs. Buster Gary of Baird visited with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tonne and family, during the week end.

Clayton Whitfield received treatment in the Breckenridge hospital last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Morris and children of Bedford spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Emory Morris.

Mrs. J. A. Clements is visiting her daughter, Opal, in Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. LaVere Adams and sons of Fort Worth spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Morris.

Jerry Moore of Carlsbad, N. M., and Jane Wece of Abilene visited with Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Hagemann, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Chaney of Bangs visited his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Chaney Sunday afternoon.

Gayle Chaney of Eastland visited his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Chaney, Monday night.

Mrs. Effie Jemeyson and Mike Andrews of Fort Worth visited their sister, Mrs. Hardy McKel-vain and Mr. McKelvain, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cauble and grandson of Salem, Oregon visited Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cannon, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Franklin of A&M College spent a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Miles Benda.

Mrs. Mary Belle Andrews of Grand Prairie and Mrs. Nellie Dennis of Cisco were greeting friends in Moran Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Thomas and Bobby of Brownsville visited in Moran last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy House and children spent last week end with her sister, Mrs. Kenneth Williams, and family and with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Wise and Larry Swinney attended the Ft. Worth Stock Show Monday. They returned by way of Ranger and visited with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Bates.

Mrs. Irene Newell of Bakersfield, California and Mrs. Roy Green and Thomas of Abilene spent the week end with Mrs. Jim Smoot and Mrs. Ada Whiteley. Mrs. Newell remained for a longer visit with her sister and mother.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Whitley of Lubbock spent one night last week with his mother, Mrs. Ada Whitley and with his sister, Mrs. Jim Smoot.

Jackie Dennis spent the be-tween semester holidays from McMurry College with his par-ents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dennis.

Robert Charles Green is spending the between semester holidays from the University of Texas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ford Green.

Mrs. Olin Elliott received treatment in a Ft. Worth hos-pital last week.

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# Callahan County 4-Hers Score High In Fort Worth and Abilene Shows

**BY PAT C. GARNER  
Callahan County Agent**  
Callahan 4-Hers exhibited three steers, 15 lambs and two barrows at the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show in Ft. Worth. Every lamb, steer, and barrow placed in the show.

In the steer division of the junior show, Weldon Lynn Edwards had the reserve champion steer of the Hereford division with his first place junior Hereford calf. He also had the second place junior Hereford calf. Vicki Finley, Baird 4-H member had the 14th place junior Angus calf.

Ronnie Edgington, a Cross Plains 4-H member, had the second and third place South-down lambs in the junior show and the second place Hampshire lamb in the open show. Ronnie had several other placing lambs in various other classes of the show.

Eddie Johnson, a Clyde 4-H member, had the third place finewool lamb and the fifth place crossbred lamb and also some other placing lambs. Freddy Greenway, a Baird 4-H member, had the 10th and 27th place Hampshire lambs and Suzzee Foy, another 4-H member had the 12th place Hampshire lamb.

In the junior barrow show, Jerry Wayne Long had the third place light weight Duroc barrow, and the fifth place middleweight Duroc barrow.

Callahan 4-H members showed 16 steers, 19 lambs, and three barrows at the Abilene Fat Stock Show. They placed 10 steers, six lambs and two barrows.

Weldon Lynn Edwards and Marian Odom each had second place steers, other steers placed on down the line in their respective classes. The county had the second place group of three steers.

4-H members exhibiting steers were Marian Odom, Vicki Finley, Tom Windham, Richard Windham Jr., Murray Edwards, David Edwards, Weldon Lynn Edwards, Jim Snyder, Scott Galusha and Jim Galusha.

Weldon Lynn Edwards, son of Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Edwards of Clyde, was selected as the outstanding showman in the steer division and received the Dorthae Griffin Award.

In the lambs division, Freddy Greenway had the sixth and 23rd place Hampshire lambs and the third place pen of three Hampshire lambs. Eddie Johnson had the 21st place fine wool lamb and the second place pen of three fine wool lambs. Other lambs exhibitors were Dicky Greenway, Suzzee Foy, Ricky Vestal and Danny Vestal.

In the swine division, Jerry Wayne Long showed the first

place lightweight Duroc barrow, the sixth place heavyweight Duroc barrow and the second place pen of three Duroc barrows.

Jerry's first place barrow was also selected as reserve champion Duroc barrow.

**Mrs. Albert Lovell  
Is W.M.U. President**

Mrs. Albert Lovell was elected W.M.U. president when the ladies of the First Baptist Church in Baird met, Jan. 16 for an organizational meeting.

The W.M.U. members met with Mrs. I. E. Warren, Jan. 30 for a social. Refreshments were served to 13 ladies.

Mission Study will be Feb. 16. Mrs. R. D. Williams will review the study book.

## Mrs. Corn Is Hostess To Blackburn Club

The Corinne Blackburn Club met Monday night, Feb. 3, in the home of Mrs. Irvin Corn.

Mrs. Beatrice Deal called the meeting to order and led the members in the club collect.

The program topic was "Space Age in Science." Mrs. E. L. Reese and members of the fifth grade gave a very interesting science demonstration.

"The Race for Outer Space," was given by Mrs. S. N. Dunlap, Jr. Students taking part with Mrs. Reese were: Randy Walker, Vickie Varner, Debbie Bell, Cathy Barton, Ada Black, Jim Hatchett Jr., Kathy Reeves, Leonna Burleson, Ricky Vestal, Marcia Morrison and Doris Ann Shelnett.

Refreshments were served to the guests and members: Mmes. Lynn Ault, C. M. Peek, Beatrice Deal, S. N. Dunlap Jr., W. A. Robbins, E. L. Reese, D. C. Cox, Juanita Danielsen and Miss Burma Warren.

## Lions Club Taking Camp Applications

Applications for a summer full of fun for handicapped children in the Baird area are now being accepted by members of the Baird Lions Club.

The unique Texas Lions Camp for Crippled Children at Kerrville will open its first two-weeks session Sunday, June 7. Five such sessions will be held this summer for youngsters from 7 through 16.

The camp is free to eligible blind, deaf, mute or crippled children. Transportation to and from the camp is supplied by local Lions. All requests for summer camp is handled locally by Lions.

For more detailed information about the camp, parents may contact Roy Gilbreath of the Baird Lions Club.

In the past years, Lions have sent over 7,000 youngsters to camp.

## Peggy Payne Wed To Craig Buchanan

Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Payne have announced the marriage of their daughter, Peggy Ann, to Craig Buchanan on Jan. 19.

They were married in the home of the bride. Mrs. Lynn Payne was matron of honor and Lynn Payne was best man.

Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Wagley are parents of the groom. Only families of the couple were present. They are making their home in Baird.

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All proposals shall be accompanied by a cashier's or certified check upon a national or state bank in an amount not less than five per cent (5%) of the total maximum bid price payable without recourse to the City of Clyde, Texas, or a bid bond in the same amount from a reliable surety company, as a guarantee that the bidder will enter into a contract and execute performance and payment bonds within ten (10) days after notice of award of contract to him. The notice of award of contract shall be given by the Owner within forty (40) days following the opening of bids. The bid security must be enclosed in the same envelope with the bid. Bids without check or bid bond will not be considered.  
The successful bidder must furnish performance and payment bonds upon the forms provided in the amount of one hundred per cent (100%) of the contract price from an approved surety company holding a permit from the State of Texas to

act as surety or other sureties acceptable to the Owner.  
The right is reserved, as the interest of the Owner may require, to reject any and all bids and to waive any informality in bids received.  
Plans, specifications, and bidding documents are on file at the office of the City Secretary, City Hall, Clyde, Texas, and may be secured at the office of Henningson, Durham & Richardson, Inc., 1710 Vaughn Building, Dallas 1, Texas on deposit of Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) per set, which sum so deposited will be refunded, provided the provisions of the specifications regarding the return of such documents are complied with.  
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**CITY OF CLYDE, TEXAS  
R. L. LUNCEFORD  
MAYOR**

### BELLE PLAINE STORY STORY

Continued from page three  
could correctly identify both men was the attorney Clabe Merchant had hired to defend him and he knew all the time that the other man was Clabe's twin brother John.

Yes, that was probably only one tale that Mr. Merchant related to the young men and their father to let them understand that they had to be on their toes and be able to look after their hides as well as those of their cattle if they intended to survive in the cattle business in Texas.

The cattleman's story was probably greatly relished by the Senator and told and re-told by him many times in Memphis as well as Washington, D. C., after he had bought a suitable spread for one of his sons in September that year.  
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# NEWS ITEMS FROM PUTNAM

## FIRST & SECOND GRADES

Evelyn Wagley reported to our class that she has a new baby brother.

Zole Lynn Wagley is interested in their lambs. They have several little lambs now.

Tana and Sheri Price had guests from Midland and Abilene during the week end. They enjoyed their cousins very much.

Tim Ferguson went with their family to Morton Valley Saturday. His grandmother, Mrs. Lee

Ivey, of Baird visited a short time at school one afternoon last week.

## THIRD & FOURTH GRADES

Kenneth Chapman visited in Clyde and Abilene Saturday.

Brenda and Linda Nettles had their cousin, Delores Arnold, from Winters as a guest over the week end.

Sandra Niar and her family spent some time in Baird Saturday.

Brit Ferguson spent Saturday with his cousin, Scott Miller, who has recently moved to a farm near Cisco.

Buddy Waddell reports the birth of a new baby calf at their farm.

Those celebrating birthdays in our room in January were: Buddy Waddell, Brenda and Linda Nettles and Calvin Hock.

Since this is Dental Health Week, we would like to remind everyone to take good care of

their teeth. We are working on posters about Dental Health and Mrs. Ault, our school health nurse, has shown us three good movies recently about care of the teeth.

## WOMENS STUDY CLUB

The Womens Study Club sponsored a Chili and Soup supper for the March of Dimes Friday evening at the schools cafeteria.

One hundred and twelve dollars was taken in for the March of Dimes.

## PERSONALS

Mrs. I. G. Mobley spent Tuesday night with Mrs. Naomi Heyser in Abilene.

Carolyn Sue White and Joe Roy Bentley, both students of NTSU in Denton, returned to their school Wednesday after the mid-term holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Overton of Sweetwater were week end visitors with her parent, Tom Butler.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobbie Ray Tatom and family of Albany spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mabry Tatom.

Mrs. Leta Graham visited her brother, Mr. Mayes of Arlington Monday.

Mrs. Earl Jobe spent a few days last week with her daughter, Mrs. Troy Caraway and sons in Abilene. Mr. Caraway is still a patient in an Abilene hospital.

G. P. Jobe of Idaho spent last week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Jobe.

Mrs. Jimmy Mitchell of Moran and Mrs. G. S. Pruet were shoppers in Abilene Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard O'Brien of Olden and M. B. Sprawls of Fort Worth were Sunday visitors with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Drue Sprawls.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Carrico and daughter, Carlie, of Baird were Sunday visitors with Betty, Ruth and Mabel Mobley.

Mrs. Cassie Mobley of Cisco and daughter, Mrs. Winnie Tichenor of Fort Worth were Sunday guests of Betty, Ruth and Mabel Mobley.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Fox of Albany were Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Clinton and sons of Snyder spent the

week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Clinton.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Taylor and son, Gary, of Weatherford were Sunday visitors with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Taylor.

Mrs. Glenn McWhorter of Throckmorton was a Monday visitor with her sister, Mrs. F. P. Shackelford Jr. and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Weeks of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Norris Weeks and family of Baird were Sunday visitors with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Weeks.

J. R. Gunn, who underwent surgery in a Big Spring hospital, returned to his home Wednesday. Those visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Gunn Tuesday were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Edwards of Whitney. Sunday visitors were: Mrs. J. C. Hess of Cisco, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Allen and Mrs. Bertie Allen of Moran and Mr. Stanley Blevins of Putnam.

Mr. and Mrs. Warlick Jones of Moran were Friday visitors with Mrs. Homer Pruet.

Mr. and Mrs. Ned Johnson and family of Waco spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. I. G. Mobley.

Mrs. W. M. Isenhower of Cis-

co was a Saturday visitor with her mother, Mrs. Mary Ramsey.

Mrs. Earline Clark of Boerne and daughter, Doris Clark, of New Braunfels spent the week end with Mrs. Clarks parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Pruet.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Edwards of Whitney were Monday and Tuesday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Pruet. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mundt and son of Abilene were Sunday guests.

Mrs. E. E. Cook of Clyde spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cook.

Colonel and Mrs. E. G. Cook of Washington, D.C. are visiting his mother, Mrs. John Cook, and aunt, Mrs. Mary Kellner.

Mrs. Artie Bolck and son, Bruce of Abilene visited relatives in Putnam Sunday.

Mrs. H. A. Pruet visited with Mr. and Mrs. Benton Pruet and family at Jack Gillilands Sunday.

Marvin Lee Williams, a student at H-SU was a Monday visitor with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Eubank, Monday.

## Delphian Club Meets With Mrs. Driskill

The Delphian Club met Tuesday, Jan 28, at 3:30 p.m. in the home of Mrs. H. D. Driskill. The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Blain Odom. Invocation was given by Mr. Sterling Odom and the pledge to the flag was led by Mrs. B. L. Boydston.

Reports were made by all officers, committees and department chairmen. The following officers were elected for 1964-65:

President, Mrs. James Snyder; 1st vice president, Mrs. A. E. Dyer, Sr.; 2nd vice president, Mrs. H. D. Driskill; recording secretary, Mrs. Albert Lovell; corresponding secretary, Mrs. L. C. Cash; treasurer, Mrs. Sterling Odom; counselor, Mrs. W. P. Brightwell; reporter, Mrs. Tee Baulch and advisory board Mmes. Blain Odom, Buster Hatchett, J. R. Latimer, and Frank Windham.

Mrs. James Snyder brought a program on Parliamentary Drill.

Refreshments were served to 14 members. The club adjourned to meet Feb. 11, at 3:30 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church.

## Union Usuals And Unusuals BY VEDA YARBROUGH

Hi neighbor. My wasn't that the best rain we had last Wednesday and Wednesday night and what bit of rain we had had today, which is Monday. The weather man said would probably snow tonight and tomorrow, that will be good too.

Burette and Johnny May Ramsey went to Baird this afternoon.

Fay and Emmitt Wood of Cisco had Sunday dinner with me and spent the afternoon. We went to visit a few minutes with Burette and Johnny May Ramsey. John and Roma McIntyre came a while Sunday afternoon. Roma is feeling better.

Stanley, Bettie and little Ron Blevins had Sunday dinner with the Burette Ramseys.

Mark, Ollie and Gayle Burnam had dinner Sunday with Mrs. Mary Ramsey.

We are glad to say Jim Bob Gunn is able to be home and doing real good and Ruby Pruet is getting better everyday.

D. A. Yarbrough was here Sunday morning a while. He said Dick Yarbrough is sick with cold or flu, we hope he is feeling better.

Johnny May Ramsey and I were in Baird last Wednesday. We visited a while in the rest home. Glad to say Miss Ora Clinton is doing better, saw Mrs. Euna Lovelady, also Mrs. Conner, Mrs. Raymond Clark, Mother Brandon, Mr. Blalock and met several others that were there, the home is a real nice place.

My, it really is raining, it is 9:30 at night. The wind is sure blowing like a storm, guess I had better go to bed.

Good morning this nice Tuesday, didn't snow last night but rained, a lot of water is standing every where. Be good and I hope to see you next week.

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Sunday:  
Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..... 10:55 a.m.  
Training Union ..... 6:00 p.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 7:00 p.m.  
Wednesday:  
Prayer Meeting ..... 7:30 p.m.
- FIRST METHODIST CHURCH**  
Rev. Walter G. White, Pastor  
Sunday:  
Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.  
MYF ..... 5:00 p.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 6:00 p.m.  
Choir Practice Wed. 7:30 p.m.
- CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Sunday:  
Bible Study ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..... 10:45 a.m.  
Training Classes ..... 5:15 p.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 6:00 p.m.  
Tuesday:  
Ladies Class ..... 9:30 a.m.  
Wednesday:  
Mid-Week Service ..... 7:00 p.m.
- CHURCH OF GOD**  
Ronald L. Bear  
Sunday:  
Bible School ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 7:00 p.m.  
Wednesday:  
Prayer Meeting ..... 7:00 p.m.
- SPANISH BAPTIST MISSION**  
Sunday:  
Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Training Union ..... 7:00 p.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 8:00 p.m.  
Wednesday:  
Prayer Meeting ..... 7:00 p.m.

**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
Rev. Frank Waggoner, Pastor  
Sunday:  
Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.

**ST. JOACHIM'S CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
Very Rev. Kevin J. Hayburn  
Sunday:  
Mass ..... 8:30 a.m.

- CLYDE**
- CLYDE CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Sunday:  
Bible Study ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Worship Service ..... 10:50 a.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday:  
Ladies Bible Class ..... 10 a.m.  
Mid-Week Service ..... 7:30 p.m.
- CLYDE METHODIST CHURCH**  
Merriell Abbott, Pastor  
Sunday:  
Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Worship Service ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Junior Fellowship ..... 6:15 p.m.  
MYF ..... 6:15 p.m.  
Worship Service ..... 7:00 p.m.  
Wednesday:  
Bible Study ..... 7:00 p.m.
- CLYDE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Harold Watson, Pastor  
Sunday:  
Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Training Union ..... 6:30 p.m.  
Worship Service ..... 7:30 p.m.  
Wednesday:  
Prayer Service ..... 7:30 p.m.
- Cherry Heights Baptist Church**  
Rev. Ronnie Bostick, Pastor  
SUNDAY:  
Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 7:30 p.m.
- Clyde Missionary Baptist Church**  
SUNDAY:  
Sunday School ..... 10 a.m.  
Worship Service ..... 11 a.m.  
Training Union ..... 6 p.m.  
Worship Service ..... 7 p.m.  
WEDNESDAY:  
Prayer Meeting ..... 7:30 p.m.
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Mrs. Ernest Gillitt and children  
Mrs. Kate Gillitt and children

## Quickie Lessons In Grammar

BY LLOYD D. HUFF  
McMurry College English Dept.

Just what is the nominative absolute? The word "nominative" has as its meaning here the "name" of something and the absolute construction implies a completeness or a finished quality. In other words, we would expect a grammatical construction containing a noun in a finished or complete state. For example, in the sentence: "THE TREE BEING DEAD, the men cut it down," the nominative absolute is a phrase with the noun "tree" in it, and the phrase tells something that is completed or finished before any action in the main part of the sentence. In the example, "THE HOUSE HAVING BURNED, we had to build a new one," the "nominative" part of the nominative absolute, and "having burned" is the absolute part. In other words, the nominative absolute construction says that something first takes place about or is concerned about a noun and that then something else follows, or takes place, or is accomplished. One can see the difference in the following examples: If we say: "Being dead, the tree was cut down by the men." "Having burned, the house was rebuilt," and "Having slipped, the boy at the party and embarrassed," in these cases since the noun is not present, it is automatically not a nominative absolute, but merely a participial phrase modifying the subject in the main clause which would be "tree," "house," and "boy."

Another thing to note about the nominative absolute construction is that it does not really modify anything in the main clause. The nominative absolute merely states that something has first taken place; and on the basis of that fact something else happens (in the main clause) at some later time. In other words, first the nominative absolute takes place and is done and completed, and then the independent or main clause takes place. There is no real connection at all between the nominative absolute and the main clause, and in the process of diagramming there will be no connecting links between the nominative absolute and the main clause; the noun will appear on a separate line with the participial phrase and any other modifiers appended below.

If you have any questions to ask or information to add, please write Lloyd D. Huff at McMurry College or in care of this newspaper.

## Letter To The Editor

Jan. 20, 1964  
To the Editor of Baird Star.  
Enclosed you find a check to cover one year subscription to your paper. I have many friends in and around Baird and when I get my paper I feel like I have a letter from home.

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Thanks,  
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## Coleman C.P.A. In 30th Year

COLEMAN - (Special) - The Coleman Production Credit Association, now observing its 30th anniversary as an agricultural financing institution, loaned a total of \$6,974,787 in 1963 to its farmer and rancher stockholder-borrowers in a six-county area of West Central Texas.

In a year-end report of activities, General Manager J. C. Marshall forecast a problem year for agriculture in his area. "It is very dry and prices remain very low," he said. "Our grain needs rain. It will be tough unless we get some rain and better price."

The Coleman Production Credit Association is owned and operated in its entirety by 631 farmer and rancher stockholder-borrowers in Brown, Callahan, Coleman, Concho, Runnels and Taylor counties. Association assets total \$3,775,630 and net worth is \$797,602.

The Association was chartered on January 2, 1934, and since that date has loaned more than \$114,640,000 to farmers and ranchers in its territory.

## Fake Social Security Agents Strike Area

Imposters who claim to be Social Security representatives are now operating in the Central Texas area and may be heading this way, warns R. R. Tuley Jr., district manager of the Abilene Social Security Office.

Tuley said the imposters are asking money payment for assistance in getting Social Security checks started or higher payment rates for those already receiving such checks.

Several persons have already paid the fraudulent representative fees of \$19.60 for promised help, he said.

Tuley said real Social Security representatives carry identification cards and do not accept payment from applicants for their services.

Persons who represent themselves as Social Security agents and ask payment for their services should be reported to the police.

## Mrs. Warren Is Host For Wednesday Club

The Wednesday Club met with Mrs. I. E. Warren, Jan. 22. Mrs. W. P. Brightwell, president, presided. Invocation was given by Mrs. Lee Ivey. Roll Call was on prominent women in public life.

A nominating committee to select officers for the coming two years were appointed by the president as follows: Mrs. A. E. Dyer, chairman, Mrs. W. A. Fetterly and Mrs. E. J. Hill.

The topic for the day was "Women's Role In Politics."

Mrs. Homer Mcintosh discussed "Your Civic Responsibility," and Mrs. Sam Gilliland gave a talk on "Your Legislative Responsibility."

Roll call was answered by 18 members: Mmes. W. P. Brightwell, Frank Cunningham, Homer Mcintosh, Ace Hickman, L. B. Lewis, W. A. Fetterly, D. F. Short, V. E. Hill, R. D. Williams, Sam Gilliland, Lee Ivey, E. J. Hill, M. L. Stubblefield, B. L. Russell, Jr., Clyde White, A. E. Dyer, Miss Isadore Grimes and the hostess. Mrs. R. D. Williams is a new member. Mrs. Warren served a delicious refreshment plate.

## Wayne Gibbens Is Praised For Work And Ability In Texas Legislature

The following story with reference to the hard work, ability and dedication to office on the part of Wayne Gibbens State Representative District 63 (Callahan, Shackelford, Eastland, Palo Pinto and Stephens Counties) is reproduced here with the approval of the Breckenridge American who carried the story recently.

Legislating is hardly a something for Wayne Gibbens, Breckenridge's young man in a hurry who represents District 63 (Callahan, Eastland, Palo Pinto, Shackelford and Stephens Counties) in the Texas House. Few Texas Legislators have as heavy a year-round assignment schedule as Gibbens.

The reason is his membership on four between-sessions committees, in addition to the problems and questions that his constituents might have for his attention.

Gibbens is chairman of the finance committee of the Legislative Council, a research and bill-producing arm of the Texas Legislature; and a member of committees on state records preservation, conflict of interest study and a legislative internship program.

He is especially enthusiastic about the internship project. Its basic purpose is to interest graduate students in working for state departments and agencies as training for future assignments in government. The program is financed largely by a Ford Foundation grant, with the state also participating.

"Texas needs young people who are capable, trained and interested in government," Gibbens says. "This internship program affords a chance to locate these people and give them some experience at minimum expense to the state."

Gibbens usually gets around to examining the price tag on legislative proposals with a candid eye. For example, last session when the Legislature was mulling a three-billion-dollar budget for the next two years, Gibbens created a considerable stir in the House over \$37.14.

He did so in his capacity as chairman of the House Continuing Expense Committee, which handles the funds for Legislators' office expenses. One member who overspent his allowance suddenly found that his

telephone and telegraph credit cards had been cancelled and his public source of stamps and stationery cut off. Gibbens took the position that a spending limit set by the House itself meant just what it said. And he made it stick, although the colleague involved was actively unhappy about it.

Such down-the-line firmness was probably in the mind of Speaker Byron Tunnell when he said of Gibbens:

"Wayne's sincere dedication to purpose and principle marks him as a young man with a promising future of service to his state."

Tunnell added that his confidence in Gibbens was well evidenced by the heavy committee assignments given him and the fact that the young Stephens County legislator was twice appointed to represent Texas at interstate conferences.

In the regular session of 1963 Gibbens served on the revenue and taxation, rules, oil and gas, agriculture and contingent expenses committees of the House. It was an unusually heavy load for a member who less than a decade ago was still playing football for the Breckenridge Buckaroos.

He later graduated from Texas Tech. Nowadays he works as he can between sessions toward a law degree from the University of Texas.

When people in high places at Austin speak of Gibbens, several key words keep recurring: "dedicated," "effective," "industrious," and "promising." Among his on-the-record admirers is Governor John Connally, who recently said:

"Wayne Gibbens is an outstanding young man and an intelligent, effective legislator. The people of his district are indeed fortunate to have Wayne's capable representation."

One of the interesting aspects of Gibbens' record as a legislator is his willingness to take a stand in controversial statewide issues. In addition to battling for his district on local issues, he usually lines up forthrightly on one side or the other in big House fights. Remarkably enough, he comes through them with a minimum of personal bickering. He is admittedly one of the most personally popular members of the House.



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