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Just 'Round About

As we walked up and down the street * * * Jim Asbury was making smoke rings from a well seasoned pipe as he turned the corner at the bank. Jim is realizing success in his venture started two years ago in making plaster ornaments and curios. His headquarters, located a couple of blocks west of the red light, is getting to be quite a show place in Baird, with row upon row of ornamental dogs, pigs, Texas rattlesnakes, horned frogs, hats, and hundreds of other articles of his own creation. He is quite an artist when it comes to modeling. The nicest piece of work we have seen is a Santa Claus face with the spirit of Christmas radiating all over. He brought one of them to The Star office and we used it in decorating our Christmas window, which attracted much comment and many compliments for Jim's handiwork. We are predicting that Baird will receive a great deal of good advertising as their articles go out via the tourist route to the four corners of the nation, for each and every article is unique and a piece of art that reflects the artists' love for his work. * * * Slim Manion had left his Magnolia station in care of his son, Randall, while he attended to business up the street. * * * W. J. Cook was meeting and greeting friends while he went about his business in town. * * * Raymond Fox, business manager for the Dallas Morning News, was visiting home folks here. Being a trustee for Hardin-Simmons University at Abilene, he was on the speakers program at the business club of that school Monday evening. * * * Doc Russey, prominent job printer of Abilene, and his son, Tommie, and Jimmie Hallmark, came down to go a huntin' with J. L. Ault. * * * We saw A. O. Clare over from Ovalo way. It is not often that he gets over here and we are always glad to see him. * * * C. B. Snyder turned his back to the north wind and stuck his hands deep down in his duckin' breeches as he talked to a friend. * * * Leslie Bryant and J. V. Thompson, working as a club committee, passed the hat for donations with which to buy the Bear's coach a gift to show appreciation for his outstanding

Two Baird Boys Enter Business

James Alexander and Buck Odom announce this week that they have purchased Smitty's Automotive Service garage and are inviting their friends to patronize their new place of business. They plan to operate the same kind of business that Smitty did, and have employed Chester Branch as their mechanic. All of these young men are home boys and deserve the support of home people. Alexander graduated from the Baird high school and finished at the University of Texas. He spent three years in the Navy during the recent war. Odom was employed at Ray Motor Company and Baird Motor Company after returning from service, where he spent over four years with the Army. He graduated from Stanton high school. Branch was reared at Eula and for two years he was employed at Earl Johnson Motor Co. They are receiving the best wishes of their many friends upon entering business for themselves in Baird.

accomplishments the past football season. * * * We had a dream last night that Baird's water problem would be solved and that there would be plenty of water for the entire city this summer; no starving flower gardens, no bathless citizens, no fuss of any kind and everyone in Baird happy and contented. * * * S. L. McElroy was rejoicing over his weekend sale of dry goods, and said he appreciated the way folks came in and patronized his Dollar Day event. Mr. Mc said, "I can tell you for sure that people read the Baird Star and my ad really brought results." We passed compliments back and forth. He told us that we are printing news items that make people read the paper. We told him that he puts things in his ad that people want to buy and at a price they can afford to pay. So, with everybody doing his part right, we agree with Mr. McElroy that it pays to advertise and we congratulate him on the outcome of his sale.

Will D. Boydston Observes Birthday

Voices from some fifty people blended together to the tune of Happy Birthday for Will D. Boydston Friday, January 16th, when he celebrated his 50th anniversary in business here. Mr. Boydston's 72nd birthday being on the same day, he cut a great white birthday cake which was decorated with pink roses, and served each one at the store. The beautiful chocolate cake was sent to Mr. Boydston by his daughter, Mrs. Herman Harper of McAlester, Okla. She has been sending him a birthday cake for the past three years, so the cutting of the cake is becoming an annual occasion at Boydston's Dry Goods Store. After singing Happy Birthday, and partaking of the cake, his friends extended congratulations and best wishes for many more birthdays to Mr. Boydston.

JUNIOR BUSINESS CLUB HAS SOCIAL MEETING

Fifteen Junior Business Club members and wives met for a social meeting at the Legion Hut Tuesday evening, with Mrs. Willard Kelton in charge of arrangements. A delicious dinner consisting of meat loaf and creole sauce, potato salad, red beans, coffee, and pie was served. Mrs. Rod Kelton and Mrs. Willard Kelton prepared the food and Mrs. Ace Hickman made the coffee. The group enjoyed several games directed by Mrs. Kelton.

COOKED FOOD SALE BENEFIT TO BAND

Proceeds from the cooked food sale, sponsored by members of the band and band mothers Saturday, was \$41.10. This sale was held in Parsons Electric and Refrigeration Service.

Thursday, Jan. 15, the Baird Band went to Abilene to hear the Abilene high school boys band. Five cars of pupils and parents made the trip. Recently \$17.60 has been spent on contest music for the band.

NOTICE TO VETERANS

If you are a veteran of World War II, and drawing disability payments, and farming or intend to farm this year, contact county service officer Billie Mac Jobe not later than Feb. 1.



Red Skelton and Virginia O'Brien team for romance and laughs in "Merton of the Movies," hilarious comedy of a country bumpkin who becomes a Hollywood movie star. This new picture shows at the Plaza Theatre, Sunday and Monday.

WEDNESDAY CLUB MEETS JAN. 14th

The Wednesday Club met January 14th in the home of Mrs. M. L. Stubblefield for the program on "Music In The Home." Roll call was answered with the name of a famous composition by an American composer.

The president, Mrs. W. A. Fetterly, presided for a short business session. The club voted to transfer \$15.00 to the Library Fund for the purchase of books. Mrs. Fetterly announced that Mrs. N. M. George and Mrs. Everett Jones had accepted membership in the club. Mrs. George was not present. Mrs. Jones received a cordial welcome. At the close of the business session, Mrs. Alexander had charge of the program. Mrs. Hill gave a very interesting talk on "Any Family Can Learn to Appreciate Music." She said that this training should begin in the cradle and that the mother could do a great deal to develop a love for good music. Mrs. Brightwell spoke on "The Contribution of Radio and Mechanical Music." She told of the many fine records to be had for all ages and at the close of her talk she gave a list of good programs on the different networks. Mrs. M. D. Bell gave the beautiful piano number, "Berceuse," (from Jocelyn) by Benjamin Godard. During the social hour the hostess served refreshments to Mrs. Odom, a guest, and the club members.

OFFICERS INSTALLED AT REBEKAH LODGE

Baird Rebekah Lodge 112 met Monday night, Jan. 5th, and Hazel Johnson, lodge deputy, installed the following officers: Mae Ault, Noble Grand; Eva Mauldin, Vice Grand; Katherine Hinds, Secretary; Susie Smith, Treasurer; Mary Kehrer, Chaplain; Ellen McGowen, Warden; Jeffie Lambert, Conductor. Appointive officers: Ruby Berry, R.S. to N.G.; Hazel Johnson, L.S. to N.G.; Susie Walker, R.S. to V.G.; Myrtle Gunn, L.S. to V.G.; Helen Brown, Musician; Tina Jarrett, Outside Guardian; and O. B. Jarrett, Inside Guardian.

The out-going Noble Grand, Ruby Berry, was presented with a past noble grand pin from the lodge. Refreshments of angel food squares and hot chocolate were enjoyed by all.

EULA SUNSHINE CLUB

The Eula Sunshine Club met in the home of Mrs. Tom Stoker, with Mrs. Ralph Brock as co-hostess, on Wednesday, January 14th, with Mrs. R. G. Edwards presiding. Mrs. Cecil Harris gave a very interesting devotional, after which a business session was held. Delicious refreshments were served to 23 members and 4 children.

Our next meeting will be on Jan. 28th, in the home of Mrs. R. G. Edwards.

Eddie Bullock made a business trip to Houston last week.

To Dedicate Organ Sunday Morning

The new Hammond organ will be dedicated in services at the First Methodist Church Sunday morning. Bishop C. C. Seelman will be present to deliver the sermon at the eleven o'clock hour, and all members of the church have received special invitations to attend this service. Rev. O. W. Carter will also be present to participate in the dedication. The Methodist choir will be featured in the ceremonies. Hugh Ross will make the presentation of the organ.

The organ will be dedicated to "the cultivation of a high art, to the interpretation of the message of the master of music, to an appreciation of the great dogmologies of the Church, and to the development of the language of praise which belongeth to earth and to heaven . . ."

Those who attend have been asked to bring basket lunches to be spread together at the noon hour.

DANCE WILL BENEFIT MARCH OF DIMES

The annual President's Birthday Ball will be held in the American Legion hut in Baird on Thursday night, Jan. 29th, and the net proceeds will go to the March of Dimes. The Legion is offering its building free that all the money made at this dance will benefit the March of Dimes campaign. A. H. Pritchard is county chairman of the March of Dimes this year.

The Butane Boys, well known music makers who have furnished music for quite a number of the dances in Baird, will be on hand again to make melody for this dance. Admission of \$1 per person, including tax, will be charged.

LEGION AUXILIARY PLANS SUPPER

The American Legion Auxiliary is planning a covered dish supper for Tuesday night, January 27th, at 7 p. m. at the Legion Hut. All members and their families are invited to come and bring a covered dish.

Mr. and Mrs. L. V. McGuire of Baytown and Mrs. Ruth McGuire of Abilene were visitors in the R. E. Hansen home at Clyde recently.

Joe Glover Dies Suddenly Sunday

Funeral services for Joe Glover were held at 3 p. m. Monday at the First Methodist Church, with Rev. Hamilton Wright, former pastor, officiating. Burial was in Ross Cemetery under direction of Wylie Funeral Home.

Mr. Glover, 73, stock farmer and resident of Baird for 40 years, died at 4 p. m. Sunday at his home south of here.

Mr. Glover was born on July 28, 1874, in Union City, Tenn. He was a member of the Methodist Church.

Pallbearers were Hugh Ross, Herman Park, Lloyd Hughes, Curtis Sutphen, A. E. Dyer and J. V. Smith, C. B. Snyder and Lee Ivey.

Survivors include the widow; seven daughters, Mrs. Christine Menzelo, McAlester, Okla., Mrs. W. C. Edwards, Mrs. Glenn Erwin, Ida Mae Glover and Hope Glover, all of Baird, Mrs. W. B. Wilson, San Angelo, and Mrs. V. C. Stephenson, Eula; four sons, Archie Glover, with the U. S. Army in Germany, Joe Glover Jr., Victoria, and Ben and Tom Glover, both of Baird; one brother, Ed Glover, Baird, and one sister, Mrs. Ben Glover of Abilene.

FRIENDSHIP CLUB HOLDS BUSINESS SESSION

The Friendship Club met Saturday, Jan. 17th, at 7:30 p. m. in the Recreation room of T & P depot, for a special business session. By-laws were read and adopted and a committee appointed to serve refreshments. The roll of charter members started, consisting of those who enroll as paid members before April 1st. Annual dues were fixed at \$3.00 per family.

Games were played for a short time and refreshments were served to 14 members. All members are urged to attend the next meeting which will be held Feb. 7th, at 7:30 p. m.

Mrs. Ace Neithercutt visited her son, Sam Driskill and Mrs. Driskill in Dallas during the weekend.

Baird Included In West Texas' Water Problem Discussions . . .

Mayor Hugh Ross, Lonnie Ray, D. J. Anderson and City Secretary Clifton Hord attended the big water meeting held by Governor Beauford Jester in Big Spring Tuesday. They were among four hundred other representatives of 92 West Texas counties at the meeting. They heard the governor speak three times and members of the State Board of Water Engineers and the United States Geological Service describe the water problem in West Texas. They came home elated over the possibilities of getting some sort of plan to get water here at Baird. It seems that the plan to develop water is by creating water districts. The plan is bound to result in the greatest step forward that West Texas has ever seen, and bring sufficient water to towns throughout West Texas that now are to the critical point. Many towns, including Baird, found it necessary to haul water by tank car last summer.

There was a rumor here that nothing is being done about Baird's water problem. Alderman Lonnie Ray, who has kept in closer touch with the city's water system than anyone else, told The Star today that quite a lot of improvement has been made in Baird's water works during the past few months. He said, "Heretofore Baird's water supply has been coming from eight wells in the water field west of town. During the past three months, twelve new wells have been drilled up there to supplement the present system, and more wells are being drilled in an effort to obtain as much

water as possible from that source. I believe we will have sufficient water to supply Baird's domestic needs this summer, but none to waste." He told also that the city had recently purchased a \$2,500.00 chlorinator which will soon be installed. This will help meet the state health standard.

We asked Mr. Ray about the leak that was reported to be discovered in the underground reservoir, and he said, "There was a leak in the reservoir that might have had something to do with the serious shortage of water last summer, but this is being repaired and with the extra production from the new wells we should have enough water to run us through the next summer without having to ship it in by tank car." We asked him if he thought the wells in the water field would be all that Baird would ever need, and to this he replied, "No, all we can hope to get from the wells will only fill the present demand. Baird should, by all means, continue its efforts to build a lake and develop an abundant supply of water to take care of future needs. The town cannot grow bigger than its water supply will let it. In fact, we cannot stand still, we either grow or go backward. What I am interested in is for our town to develop a water supply that will enable every citizen of our town to have all the water they can possibly use at the lowest rate that is possible."

We talked with Alderman D. J. Anderson who agrees that a lot of good work has been done "on

the hill" in drilling wells and developing the water field, but he says that "we haven't done anything until we build a lake." He is strongly in favor of maintaining the water field, even if the lake is created, for he says, "that is our back-log and we would make a mistake if we did not keep it." Asked what is being done toward the lake project, he said, "Nothing that I know of at present." Mr. Anderson attended the water meeting at Big Spring, and was highly impressed with the idea of giving West Texas water, but he also believed that what we get in Baird will be what we do ourselves, which in his opinion "is not too big a job for the town." There has been some expression that Baird should go ahead and get its own lake by creating a water district and then let whatever help from the state come along as it might, instead of waiting to be taken in by a large water district, whereby we will be helping the country all about us to get water and maybe not have water for our own city. Whether it will work that way or not, Baird will do well to do the job it has to do without waiting for that great day when someone will fly to our rescue and hand us a lake with all the fixtures laid down at our feet. The Lord helps those who help themselves.

Speaking with City Secretary Clifton Hord, he told us that a lot of work had been done by the council on the water problem, both pertaining to the water field and the proposed lake, and work was still being done toward that ultimate end. The trip

to Big Spring was taken by the mayor and councilmen in the interest of Baird's future water supply, and it looks to me that it is our only chance to get more water, he said. We asked what was left to do to create a water district with the city limits as its boundary, and he said, "Only to draw up the petition and let it go through the proper legal course."

Mr. Hord handed us the following speech which was delivered at Big Spring by John D. McCall of Dallas, authority on water districts:

Permit me to express appreciation of the honor of appearing on this program in such distinguished company. It augurs well for the destiny of imperial West Texas that our capable Governor, the Chairman of the State Board of Water Engineers, and one of the State's most useful industrialists have arranged this conference on Water Problems. And the good people of West Texas are to be congratulated for sending to the meeting such a splendid representation.

So far in this meeting we have been concerned principally with the water problems of the several sections of the West. My assignment is to discuss the methods available under law to mitigate the hardships under and if possible to solve some of these problems.

It might be helpful to consider for a few moments the background of Texas water laws. We will eliminate from the discussion underground well water. There are no adequate Texas Statutes on the subject and of

necessity it is controversial.

In the Eastern part of the United States where rainfall is dependable and the rivers and streams are usually charged with a full load of water, the laws pay little attention to the scarcity of water, but are concerned principally with regulating the use of flowing water and preventing occasional floods.

In Texas, our rivers usually do not have a large dependable natural flow; but we do have two kinds of water trouble. In the Eastern and Southern part of the State great damage results from frequent ravages of uncontrolled river flash floods, while in the western areas, where several of the rivers rise there is always a need for more water. This is the very water which, if not stored in West Texas, will carry your rich soil to the gulf and will contribute to the flood disasters in the lower river bottoms. Due to these characteristics of our streams there is also a scarcity of dependable water even in South and East Texas unless flood waters are stored artificially. There is actually a third trouble, the salinity and hardness of much of our Texas water.

Applicable provisions of our Constitution and laws recognize the duty of the State to conserve its waters, whether of natural flow, from floods or storms. A poet who might well have sprung from West Texas reminds us that the world turns softly not to spill its lakes and waters.

I am hopeful that insofar as the law is concerned there is at least a partial solution for every problem which has been discuss-

ed. So if the good Lord and our engineers will produce the necessary water the "drouth of discontent will soon be o'er."

As you know Texas water laws and rights are administered by the State Board of Water Engineers. Except for negligible quantities, no water from our streams can be appropriated except through permits issued by that body. This applies not only to individuals but likewise to cities, water districts and other public agencies.

We will assume that there are no streams in West Texas carrying a regular flow from which any densely populated area can obtain a dependable water supply, and that the only potential source is from artificial reservoirs created by construction of dams.

It seems appropriate at this time to remind you that Article 7589 prohibits the diversion of water from one watershed into another to the prejudice of any person residing in the deprived watershed. The administration of this law is in the Board of Water Engineers. Accordingly, a project should be confined to a single watershed. If from engineering or economic considerations it should be desirable to incorporate in a single project lands situated in two watersheds, it is likely that the Board of Water Engineers would give sympathetic treatment to the problem. At all events the Legislature would have Constitutional authority to legislate specially in such a case.

Again we will assume that the water to be stored will be used primarily for domestic,

municipal, and industrial uses. The stream characteristic in West Texas would not make the generation of hydro-electric power economical. There are two general classes of public agencies which could perform these functions under existing Texas laws: (1) Cities and towns, and (2) Several types of water districts.

Cities and towns have the right under our statutes to construct dams and reservoirs financed either with bonds supported by ad valorem taxes or with revenue bonds supported only by a pledge of the net revenues of the water system. It is not necessary here to do more than mention such power in cities and towns and to refer to the Revised Statutes of 1925, Articles 1111-1118, as amended.

You will be interested primarily in the financing of water supply by districts. Three types of water districts are authorized to construct water supply systems: (a) Water Improvement Districts; (b) Water Control and Improvement Districts, and (c) Fresh Water Supply Districts. To simplify the discussion we will consider only Water Control and Improvement Districts because it appears that they have the power to do everything in reference to supply and distribution of water that can be done by either of the other two types and have certain additional important powers.

A water control and improvement district can be organized to include land in any number of counties, and may or may not See WATER on Page 3

NOTICE!

The Commissioners Court of Callahan County will accept bids on January 26, 1948 for a 60 ft. by 60 ft. brick building in Putnam, to be moved off new high way right-of-way.

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Hospital Notes

Rev. A. A. Davis is a medical patient, resting some better.
Miss Losier Tyler, a medical patient, is doing fine.
Mrs. Ernest Mobley recently underwent major surgery and is improving.
Andy Vaughn is slowly improving.
Mrs. James Burk entered the 19th for medical treatment.
Earl Waggoner, Clyde, is a medical patient.
D. H. Moore, surgical patient, returned by ambulance to his home in Clyde Tuesday morning.
Mrs. E. B. Brown, a surgical patient, is getting along nicely.
Jerry Loper, a medical patient, entered the 19th.
Burl Lofton is about as usual.
Mrs. N. E. McGee is not feeling quite so well.
Jack Stephens, retired railroad employee, was dismissed Tuesday.

Frank Munselle, Baird Route, was a medical patient several days.
Preston Ault was a medical patient several days.
Mrs. A. E. Sears, Bell, Calif., was a medical patient two days.
Mrs. Billie H. Walls and infant daughter returned to their home the 16th.
Mrs. Lowell Corn and infant daughter were getting along fine when they returned home the 16th.
Mrs. P. E. Dungan entered the 14th for minor surgery and was doing fine when dismissed.
Mrs. Gus Brandon, Putnam, a pneumonia patient, was dismissed the 17th.

DINNER HONOREE
Mr. and Mrs. K. V. Lewis entertained their daughter, Betty Lou, Wednesday, Jan. 14, at 7:30 o'clock with a Spanish dinner.
Present were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Yarbrough, Mr. and Mrs. Jean Finley, Carl Yarbrough, Mrs. Eddie Fairly, Mr. and Mrs. Billy G. Hatchett and daughter, Janice.

Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Henderson sold their land at Rowden, which they had owned for the past 20 years, to Blain Odom, and have moved to Hamby. They bought the old Eager home place, which was Mrs. Henderson's childhood home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ren Ross of Baird were visitors in the J. A. Coffey home at Clyde last week.

LEAVES TO ENTER NURSE TRAINING

Miss Marguerite McClendon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. McClendon, left Abilene this week to go to Temple where she will be a student in the Scott-White Clinic-Hospital, School of Nursing. A graduate of Baird high school, she has been employed in Abilene the past six years, at the Farmers & Merchants National Bank, and as assistant to Dr. M. T. Ramsey for the past 3 1/2 years.
Here to celebrate Miss McClendon's birthday Sunday before her departure for Temple were J. H. and Mrs. McClendon, Wichita Falls, Mr. and Mrs. Bates Baulch and daughter of Brownwood, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Andrews, all at the J. F. McClendon home.
Miss McClendon has been honored at several parties the past week in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Cox and daughter were among Baird people who saw The Train of Tomorrow in Abilene Sunday.
James Walls left Thursday, January 15, for Big Spring, where he is employed by the T & P Railroad.

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Mrs. C. M. Mills went through The Train of Tomorrow in Abilene Sunday afternoon.

PARTY IN SMITH HOME

Mrs. O. D. Smith and Mrs. John Weathers of Clyde were hostesses to a progressive "42" party Friday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Smith, on Highway 80. The living room was attractively decorated with fall flowers.

Refreshment plates of chicken salad, sandwiches, cake and coffee were served the following: Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Parks, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Stephenson, Mr. and Mrs. Preston Poole, Mr. and Mrs. William York, Rev. and Mrs. Egger, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. John Weathers, Mrs. W. H. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Smith, Raynell Rudd and Joyce Weathers.

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include all or any part of one or more incorporated cities or towns. The district in contemplation to serve Colorado City, Big Spring, Midland and Odessa is of that type. If and when organized the District will comprise only the land embraced in the corporate boundaries of those and such other cities as may be included before final organization. While the proposed Colorado River Municipal Water Supply District will confine its activities to storing and delivering water to the several subscribing cities, without disturbing the water distribution facilities of the individual cities, a water district of this type would have statutory authority to engage actually in the distribution of water to individual subscribers.

In one or more instances in West Texas, where no city or town is available, the water district might not only furnish the water supply but might also finance, own and operate the water distribution system. Incidentally, water district of this type may acquire the right also to finance, own and operate a sanitary sewer system in conjunction with its water distribution system.

Such districts may issue bonds, upon a majority of the resident qualified voters owning taxable property therein, secured by ad valorem taxes, or by pledge of the net revenues from the operation of its properties, or by both such taxes and the pledge of revenues.

By virtue of another statute (Vernon's 1109d) A City is authorized to make a contract

with such a district for a period of not exceeding 30 years to purchase its water supply. Such city may secure its contract by a pledge of the revenues of its waterworks distribution system. In turn the district can use the water purchase contract as sole security or additional security for the bonds it issues to acquire the water supply system.

Two or more districts may act jointly in financing, constructing and owning water supply and distribution facilities. One district is permitted to issue its bonds and turn over the proceeds to another district in return for contract rights in its reservoir.

While it is contemplated that the principal functions of the proposed reservoirs will be to furnish municipal, domestic and industrial water, you are reminded that such a district is authorized to sell surplus water for irrigation purposes.

Under this same law, a Master District may be created which would do investigational work for several included districts. Such a Master District might even furnish a water supply for several included districts.

Any water control and improvement district has full authority to contract for use of water to be supplied by or to cooperate by paying part of the construction of a dam and reservoir to be owned by the United States Government. So if the Army or the Reclamation Bureau should build dams in any of the areas, considerable economy could be effected by such district through such cooperation.

Thus it is seen that the provisions of the Water Control and Improvement District Law (Chapter 34 of Title 128) are very flexible, an element necessary for an agency which must serve multiple purposes.

If there are one or more areas whose needs can not be accommodated under existing law, the Legislature has authority under Article XVI Section 59 of the Constitution to create such a district by a Special Law. This is one of the few instances in which special legislation is permitted under our Constitution. So the special needs of any such area

could be met by writing a special law. Usually there is little objection in the Legislature to the enactment of such laws.

If you should ask me to indicate the first step to be taken by those interested in forming a district, I'd say, employ an engineer who is especially skilled in making hydraulic investigations, and in designing and supervising the construction of water supply reservoirs and related facilities for water districts and municipalities. Also you will need an attorney.

Some of the proposed projects may be situated in the watershed of the Brazos River. If so, it might be well for the sponsors of such project to contact the West Texas Small Dams Committee of the Brazos River Conservation and Reclamation District at Mineral Wells. That Committee has means of cooperating with you on such problems.

Although the law is flexible in permitting powers, it imposes a very tedious procedure which must be followed meticulously. Assuming that there will be no delay in making plans and designs, the following shows the more important time consuming steps to be taken from a procedural standpoint with the minimum lapsed time indicated as to each:

Notice of hearing, 20 days.

Confirmation election, 21 days.

Hearing for exclusion of land, 30 days.

Bond election notice, 28 days.

Total 99 days.

Usually at least four months elapses between the filing of application for Permit and the actual sale of bonds for construction purposes. If a district is created by special law, the time otherwise required for organization, confirmation and exclusion of land is avoided.

Chairman Spence suggested that it might be helpful if I would outline in brief form and make ready for distribution a schedule of procedure which would be applicable in all areas of West Texas. This was attempted but I have concluded that use of an all inclusive schedule would be confusing. There is just enough difference in the problem of each area to warrant for it some special consideration. I will illustrate. In one or more areas there should be a Master District in addition to elemental districts. In some instances the water supply should be owned and operated by the district and the distribution of water should continue to be the responsibility of the city or cities included in the District. In other cases, the district should have the power not only to operate the water supply, but also to distribute water. In still other cases the district should have the additional power to own and operate a sanitary sewer system to safeguard the quality and purity of the conserved water. In all instances, the District will have the authority to levy ad valorem taxes. Appropriate procedure, differing in certain cases, must be taken under Article 7880-3 to assure the right to secure bonds by a pledge of revenues as distinguished from the pledge of taxes. To accomplish these several objectives and others, there are instances wherein the district is created by the County Commissioners Court of the local county. In other and most instances, the proper forum is the State Board of Water Engineers. The applicable law consisting of over 150 articles is too complex to permit of such treatment. So as an alternative, I have made available mimeographed copies of these remarks. I hope they will be of some assistance to the engineers and the attorneys for the several districts. To repeat for emphasis the law under which permits to store water may be obtained is in Chapter 2 of Title 128, and the law governing Water Control and Improvement Districts is in Chapter 3A of Title 128 of the Revised Statutes. I realize that questions not anticipated in these remarks will arise as to each of your projects. If and when those questions arise if you will communicate them to these gentlemen who have sponsored this program or to me I assure you that we will try to help you to find the answer.

My friends, I hope something has been said which will show the path to an ultimate solution of your several problems. If the need for action is not only great but urgent, may I indulge the wish for you that you will encounter a minimum of delaying obstacles, for as Plautus once

said: "It is wretched business to be digging a well just as thirst is mastering you." But if I know anything it is that West Texas always finishes a job it commences, and promptly.

Guardianship of Isabelle Isenhower and Otis Isenhower, persons non compus mentis.

In the County Court of Callahan County, Texas, Cause No. 985, Jan. 21, 1948.

To all persons interested in the persons or estates of said wards:

Notice is hereby given that I, W. M. Isenhower, Jr., Guardian of the estates of Isabelle Isenhower and Otis Isenhower, persons non compus mentis, have this day filed my application in the above entitled and numbered cause for an order of the County Judge of Callahan County, Texas, authorizing me as the Guardian of the estates of said wards to make an oil, gas and mineral lease upon such terms as the court may order and direct, of the wards undivided joint three-fourths interest in and to the following described land, to wit: Survey No. 2273, of the T.E.&L. Co., lands, in Callahan County, Texas, containing 320 acres, more or less.

Said application will be heard by the County Judge at the courthouse in the City of Baird, in Callahan County, Texas, on the 4th day of Feb. A. D. 1948.

W. M. Isenhower, Jr. Guardian of the estates of Isabelle Isenhower and Otis Isenhower. ltc.

L. W. Alvey, Route 1, Cisco, was a business visitor here Thursday of last week at which time he came by The Star office to subscribe to The Abilene Reporter-News and The Baird Star.

Mrs. Austin Bouchette and sister, Mrs. Faye White of Clyde recently visited in Austin with Mrs. White's son, John B. White, who is a student at Camp Mabry. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Robert Webster.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Glasson and Mr. and Mrs. Terrel Williams went through The Train of Tomorrow in Abilene Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Rhodes and son have returned to their home in Tucson, Ariz., after a visit in Clyde with Rhodes' parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Rhodes.

The J. L. Vaughns have recently moved to their new home at Clyde, Route 2, after living in Abilene since their home burned some time ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed McGlothlin visited Mrs. McGlothlin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Cox, in Rising Star Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Gray left Sunday to attend market in Ft. Worth and Dallas.

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We want to thank our many friends for their many acts of kindness during the illness and death of our dear mother and wife. Words are inadequate. We thank the good women who were so faithful to come and help us, for each visit, and for the doctors, especially Dr. Evans, who was so good. We also thank the Baird women for bringing and serving the nice meals, and for the beautiful flowers. We thank God for such dear friends. We can never repay all the good things you have done.
 May God bless each one who helped in any way is our prayers.
 The Connel children,
 J. M. Simmons.

Aaron McKee, Clyde, Route 2, paid The Star office a visit while he was in Baird Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Melton, Austin, were weekend visitors here.

Roy G. Thomas of Abilene, former resident of Baird for many years, was a business visitor here Wednesday.

Frank Seale, Bryant, is looking after his ranch on the Bayou and visiting Misses Curley and Billy Seale.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Brice Jones visited Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Jones and daughter in Abilene last Friday.

Political Announcements

The following candidates have authorized The Baird Star to announce their candidacy for the respective offices subject to the action of the Democratic Primary July 24th.

Co. Judge:
 J. L. FARMER
 (Re-election)

Sheriff:
 S. S. NICHOLS
 (Re-election)

Tax Assessor-Collector:
 W. H. (Bob) JOY
 (Re-election)

County Clerk:
 BRUCE BELL
 (Re-election)

Co. Treasurer:
 PRESLEY REYNOLDS
 (Re-election)

District Clerk:
 CORRIE NEITHERCUTT
 (Re-election)

Commissioner Precinct 2:
 CLYDE T. FLOYD
 (Re-election)

Mrs. C. O. Pass spent Monday in Cisco.

Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Boydston visited in San Antonio recently.

Mrs. L. B. Lewis spent the weekend in Dallas visiting relatives.

Earl Newby, Ft. Worth, visited Mrs. S. I. Smith last Friday. Mr. Smith was a cousin of Mr. Newby.

M. D. McElroy left Sunday for San Angelo, where he is employed at E & M Sheet Metal Works. Mrs. McElroy will go to San Angelo as soon as a house is located.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Hooker, Abilene visited old friends here last week and came by The Star office to pay up their subscription to The Baird Star for another year.

Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Mackey, of Gladewater, visited Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Andrews and Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Russell, Sr., of Baird; also Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Andrews of Abilene over the weekend.

Mrs. V. E. Hill will present her music pupils in recital at the high school auditorium Thursday, Jan. 29, at 7:30 p. m. 2t.

Mrs. R. M. Cunningham and daughters, Marsha, Betty Zoe, and Gayle, Johnny Joe Walker and two friends of Marsha, Pat Miller and Patsy Hill, of Ozona, visited Mrs. Joe McGowen during the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Nunn were here Thursday of last week from their home, 4 miles west of Clyde. They came by The Star office and renewed their subscription to the newspaper for another year.

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CHILI	Gephart's, with beans	27c
STARCH, Cameo		9c
PEACH NECTAR	18 oz. can	9c
APRICOT PRESERVES	Kenny, 1 lb. can	19c
GRAPEFRUIT MARMALADE, 1 lb.		9c
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County H. D. Agent's Column Evelyn Wieland

AGENT'S ITINARY JAN. 26-31 Monday - Demonstration plans. Tuesday - Oplin H. D. Club. Wednesday - Dudley H. D. Club. Thursday - Demonstration plans. Friday - Monthly reports. Saturday - Monthly reports.

Review of Home Demonstration Work in 1947

At this the beginning of a new year, everyone should take an inventory of the work done last year and plan for ways to do better work this year. The following report covers the Extension work done in Callahan County from December 1, 1946 to December 1, 1947, with the women of the county.

As most of you know, Miss Loreta Allen was agent in this county until January 31, 1947, when she was transferred to Jones county. This county was without a home demonstration agent until the appointment of Miss Evelyn Wieland on June 9, 1947.

The home demonstration agent visited in 128 homes, had 150 office calls, 54 telephone calls, had 92 news stories published, distributed 404 bulletins, gave 74 demonstrations, had two training meetings, attended 4 district meetings and one state meeting. She traveled 5,074 miles.

There are eight Home Demonstration clubs and eight 4-H clubs. The H. D. clubs were represented at the district and State Home Demonstration Association meetings.

The 4-H girls were represented at a district camp at Christoval by Doris McClain, Bayou; Betty Louise Smith, Eula; and Elizabeth Ann Burleson, Denton, and at the 4-H Roundup at College Station by Doris McClain, Bayou; Mary Ruth Johnson, Oplin; and Maxine Tarrant, Eula. The girls also had their annual county camp at Denton and about 45 girls, leaders, and visitors attended.

All of the clubs were quite weak when I arrived in June, but with the start of school, we had good enrollment throughout and county, and good 4-H leaders to help the girls. The girls are working on clothing and dairy demonstrations. The women are working on landscaping and dairy demonstrations. Due to the drouth last year, many women had grass, shrubs and cuttings to die. We are carrying these demonstrations again this year and hope we will have a successful year ahead.

We hope to organize new home demonstration and 4-H clubs where there are none and where there is sufficient interest to carry on a club.

ODD JOBS

Sadie Hatfield, extension specialist in landscape gardening for Texas A. & M. College, says there are several "odd jobs" that can be done during January that will make your landscaping work easier the rest of the year. For instance, she says, look your yard over with an eye toward saving steps and improving design. Often the removal of curbing, trellises or old stumps will add to the beauty of the yard. Get rid of loose sticks and stones to cut down on moving troubles later on. Cover trash burners with wire mesh, to eliminate fire hazards. Fill in low spots, level out rough land.

Of course, the biggest job during the winter months is the transplanting or setting out of trees and shrubs. Crowded shrubbery can be thinned out, and the extra plants set around the garage, smoke-house or windmill. The shrubs will look better and do better and there's no reason why the out-buildings around the farm or ranch should stick out like a sore thumb when a few trees, shrubs and flowers will "beautify" them.

Rose gardens and bulb beds are other winter activities that will pay dividends in the spring and summer. If your rose bushes are scattered over the yard, put them all in one bed, cuts down on the work and adds to the looks of the landscape.

A beautiful yard is the result of year-round work, Miss Hatfield says, ask any serious gardener. The jobs to be done vary from season to season, but there is always plenty to do. Mr. and Mrs. Billy Hall Walls are parents of a daughter, Emily Kay, born Thursday, Jan. 15, at Callahan County Hospital. The new arrival weighed eight pounds. Both mother and daughter are fine.

SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT NEWS

Terraces have been recently constructed just south of Rowden on the farms of Olin J. English, Clifford Taylor and J. A. Sikes. These land owners are cooperating with the Central Colorado Soil Conservation District in a coordinated soil and water conservation program. A total of 6.67 miles of terraces were constructed on the three farms with a whirl-wind terracer.

Madrid sweet clover planting time is here. Technicians of the Soil Conservation Service recommend that Madrid clover be planted early in the season beginning the later part of January and continuing until May. Early planting have been much more successful than have late plantings. Seed should be properly inoculated before planting. Love grass should be planted, beginning the first week in February, technicians said, and all plantings should be complete by mid-April for best results.

It is also time to do several other conservation jobs such as constructing diversion terraces, constructing terraces, sodding terrace outlets, tank spillways, and stock tank dams. Buffalo grass seed should be planted not later than January or early February. A good firm seed bed is the first essential in getting satisfactory results from any type of planting. Without proper preparation most planting of clovers and grasses will be a failure.

Rowden Round-Up

Community Activities Reliably Recorded by The Star Reporter. By Dorris McClain

Mrs. Alec Bainbridge is ill and is in Abilene at the time of this report. Miss Ludie Smedley has completed her studies at Cross Plains and has returned to Abilene to work. Belinda Kline called on Orveta McClain Wednesday evening. The Bayou basketball teams went to Scranton Thursday night. Mr. and Mrs. Smedley entertained their friends with a musical party at their home Saturday. Several attended.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Cutbirth and son, Billy, and Mrs. J. O. Connel, Denton Valley, were visitors here Saturday.

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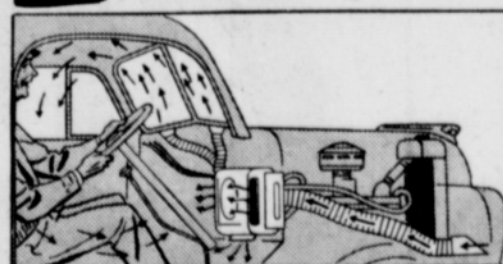
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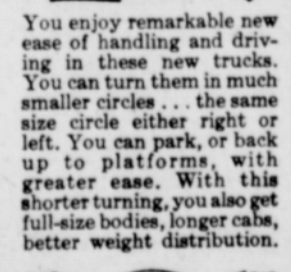
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County Agriculture Agent's Column
By A. R. Grote, Jr.

Summary of County Agent's Work in 1947

During the period of December 1, 1946 to December 1, 1947, soil and water conservation, livestock production, crop production, (small grains, cover crops, sorghums, corn and peanuts) fruit production, marketing and distribution, and entomology were the main phases of the program.

Terrace lines were run on more than 1,000 acres of cultivated land and contour lines were run on 230 acres. In addition to these lines approximately 2 miles of di-



LOOKING AHEAD
By GEORGE S. BENSON
President—Harding College
Searcy, Arkansas

European Sketch

A Midwestern acquaintance of mine recently gave to a group of businessmen what he called a report of "a roller skate trip over a very large subject." Sterling Morton, Chicago banker and industrialist, was reporting on a seven-weeks' trip to Europe. His remarks seemed to me worthy of a larger audience.

This recent trip, according to Mr. Morton, was no V.I.P. excursion. (The Very Important People sometimes arrive at conclusions that have been planned by their hosts in advance.) Actually, Mr. Morton rented a small French car and drove it 2,500 miles, talking to everybody along the way. Because he speaks French fluently, our Midwesterner was taken for a Frenchman when outside France, but hardly for an American at any time.

Peacetime Damage

In France, Mr. Morton reported the cost of living up ten times over 1937, with wages having increased six times. "How an elevator operator, for instance, can live on 8,000 francs a month is a mystery. Or how a laborer can be content on the official ration of two-fifths of a pound of bread a day. Things are very much out of balance." However, Mr. Morton sees France on the road to recovery, in a physical way.

BUT: "France is cursed with government employees. There always were droves of them—now there are hordes! One former Maqui suggested the way to improve conditions was to machine gun half the 'fonctionnaires'! Even Senator Byrd doesn't go that far! . . . French production figures are highly encouraging. If governmental expenses could be cut down, the printing of money stopped, confidence and prosperity would soon return."

Help Them Produce

Of the British: "One can have nothing but admiration for . . . what they went through so steadfastly. That they should be afflicted, in peace, with a government which has done, psychologically, financially and commercially, probably as much damage, is a cruel tragedy. Only the miracles of socialistic planning, applied to a fertile island underlaid with coal and surrounded by seas teeming with fish, could bring about a situation in which the people are cold and hungry."

On loans and gifts: "I think it would be pouring money down a rat hole to make any more loans to governments, yet I feel that we should, for our own sakes, help those who are willing to help themselves. My idea would be to make loans direct to private producers on very easy terms and for productive purposes only. . . . We can't stop Communism by giving corrupt or inefficient or minority governments the means of remaining in office."

"We can stop it by building up the productive capacity of the threatened nations. . . . I doubt that Europe's economy will be healthy until Germany again is producing and consuming. . . . Britain, France, Italy, yes, Germany, too—help them to produce again. That is the way to bring stability and peace."

version terraces were run. In cooperating with the SCS and the AAA offices, there was approximately 9,000 acres planted to winter legumes and about 500 acres to summer legumes. About 1,000 acres received a complete fertilizer at the rate of 100-200 pounds per acre while some 9,600 acres received 200 pounds of phosphate.

Educational work on soil building practices was carried out through meetings, individual contacts, 4-H clubs, and newspaper articles. The agent accompanied a group to Comanche county to observe their soil building program.

Six educational films were shown to adults and 4-H members in all the communities in Callahan county, with some 900 people seeing these films on soil improvement methods using Experiment Stations findings and recommendations.

Twenty adults and 4-H members were assisted in feeding, preparing balanced rations, and handling calves. An estimated 17,000 cattle were treated for lice last winter; 2,108 treated for grubs; and 22,000 treated for hornflies with recommended insect control measures. This is a large increase over 1946.

The county 4-H judging team had high individual and high team at the judging contest held at Harrisdale Farms, Ft. Worth, in which 25 counties competed. Sixty-nine 4-H boys received training in selection of beef animals during the year.

The agent has assisted 45 individuals in selecting purebred swine for breeding and feeding purposes. Many more have been assisted in proper feeding, worming, breeding, vaccinating, and in selecting equipment for best results in swine production. The purebred stock of swine in Callahan county has more than doubled under the present hog program. Callahan county, in the Sears Roebuck Hog Program (4-H) made the honor roll on which all pigs furrowed on time, raised 50 pigs or more on time, and topped the Abilene Area on the program of 6 counties. Also two of the 4-H members made the honor roll by raising litters of 14 pigs each.

There is an increase in recommended varieties of wheat this year. The results obtained by Buster Hatchett have been a deciding influence. Yields obtained from his fields substantiated Experiment Station claims. On his place Westar Wheat made 26 bu. per acre; Comanche 22; Early Blackhull, 22; Aviless Blackhull 18; and Austin 16.

"Lost Harvest" a film showing the value of seed treatment for smut control on small grains was shown to 150 farmers and to 2 of the Veterans Agricultural classes of approximately 25 men each. A lesson all should practice.

Paul Gregg, Assistant Extension Entomologist, visited the county twice in the interest of apple growers at the request of the county agent. There were 23 farmers on hand for the demonstration on J. F. Browning's farm on the latest method on controlling the codling moth.

Callahan county farmers were given all possible assistance in organizing the Callahan County Farmers' Cooperative, Inc. They were assisted in drawing up their constitution and by-laws. Extension material was used and the suggested constitution and by-laws as outlined by this material was closely followed. The agent attended 5 meetings in an

endeavor to help organize the cooperative and has attended director meetings since. Today the Co-op has 153 members and has supplied farmers with 305 tons of 20% superphosphate; has gas and oils; feeds; and a feed grinder in operation, with other needed farmer services to be added later.

In addition to all the above the county agent has culled chickens, assisted farmers in securing grass seeds, sorghum seed, clover seed, supervised the County Grasshopper Poison Mixing Station in conjunction with the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture, Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine. Poison was distributed over 7,899 acres which gave protection to 3,825 additional acres. Total loss in dollars resulting from grasshoppers was estimated at \$15,410 with a total saving in dollars resulting from grasshopper control of \$69,920.

Fifty eight farmers used bait with a net cost to the county of \$19.04 after the amount collected from farmers for mixing charges was deducted. The county agent visited farms and ranches to inspect sick chickens, cows, swine, and sheep; assisted in vaccination of hogs, gave a demonstration on killing Johnson grass and Bermuda grass with sodium chlorate; gave information on control of garden insects, identified insects; selected goats; assisted farmers in planning their farm operations; pooled orders on seeds and poisons; located two combines in the wheat harvest; and showed 19 educational films to adults and 4-H members with 1917 in attendance.

Eight hundred and twenty-one persons called at the office for information during the year; 719 bulletins were distributed, and 435 farm home visits were made in conducting Extension work.

There were 32 adult demonstration meetings held and 1321 persons attended these meetings; and 53 4-H method demonstration meetings were attended by 1009 boys.

The cooperation of the farmers has been splendid in that they have been willing to try new methods and practices and have unselfishly given of their time to the county agent so that others may benefit from their experiences. By working together we moved forward together to better living in this world of science and speed.

Beginning with January, the county agent's office is without the service of a secretary so all farmers are requested to call on the agent on Mondays and Fridays for business. Other days

will be spent in the field. Mondays and Fridays are set aside for office work.

'CHATTERBOX'
FOR BOYS AND GIRLS ONLY

Hello boys and girls! Now you can whoop and holler and smile! Exams are over, at least for a while.

I told you last week that you children are energetic, look at all the seeds you sold. And those free packages of seed that each of you got to keep will make many beauty spots in Baird during the coming months. Hats off to you!

Two energetic girls in the 8th grade, Virginia Price and Mildred King, made a list of the birthdays from Jan. 18 to 24, to be found in the grammar school. They are Jimmy Barnes, the 24; Clyde Laird, the 19th; Mary Brown, the 21st; Lynn and Glenn Beasley, Jan. 22nd, and Roseta Newman, Jan. 23rd. Have lots of fun on your birthday kids, and while you're at it, why not have a "Do-Nut On A String" contest at your party. Do-Nuts are hung from a doorway or chandelier and the contestants, hands behind their backs, try to eat them. First to finish and whistle two line of "Dixie" wins. Pupils that entered our Baird Grammar School in the past week are: Thomas Huddleston, second grade; Virgil Huddleston, fourth grade; Lee Huddleston, fifth grade and Louise Huddleston, eighth grade. They came from Aledo. Eleanor Lynn, in the seventh grade, came from Dora, Alabama. Let's give these new friends a glad welcome.

The seventh grade lost two fine pupils, Era Belle Looney, who moved to Brownwood, and Mar-

ion Truett, moved to Hamilton. The big folks are contributing to The March of Dimes, but so are the children. All eight grades in the grammar school brought dimes Friday and will continue to do so until Jan. 31st, when the drive is over. Our Baird boys and girls are always 'right there' when anything needs a helping hand, and don't you forget it! Don't forget to send your news items to Chatterbox, Box 801, Baird, Texas. We want to hear from you. 'Bye, now.

HYDRA-MATIC SCHOOLS HELD BY PONTIAC

Hydra-Matic transmission as optional equipment on the 1948 Pontiac has led to the most comprehensive training program in Pontiac history, it is reported by L. W. Ward, general sales manager.

Pontiac factory service personnel has already received extensive Hydra-Matic training, and an educational program on a national basis for Pontiac dealers mechanics now is underway, Mr. Ward said.

"While the Pontiac Hydra-Matic is practically foolproof and requires no more servicing than any other unit in the car, we are making certain that all our dealers are fully prepared to make whatever adjustments may be necessary from time to time," Mr. Ward said.

Sufficient Hydra-Matic units will be available to equip a large percentage of Pontiac's 1948 production, according to Mr. Ward. At the beginning of the model run, however, the percentage will be higher so that all dealers may be sampled.

WANTED—Texas books. What have you? Write Frontier Times, Bandera, Texas.

Mrs. A. E. Young and daughter, Joyce, of Abilene, were visitors here Saturday.

Hulan Barr, Waco, spent the weekend with Mrs. Barr and little daughter, Susan.

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Football Banquet Friday Night

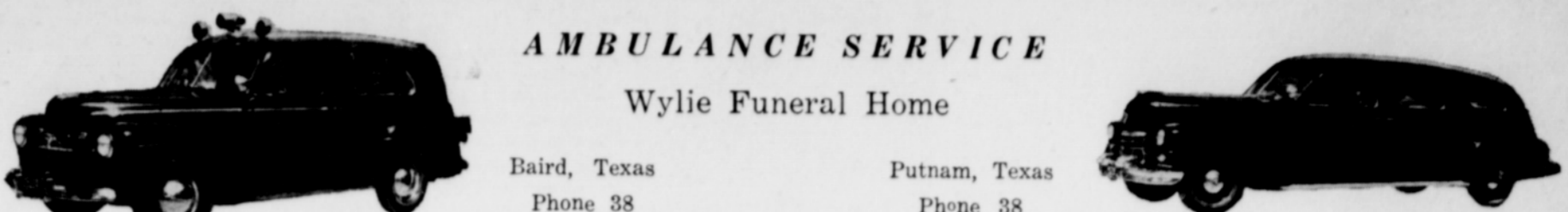
Football banquet time has rolled around again, much to the delight of the football squad and their dates. It will be held Friday night at the Methodist church at 7:00 o'clock. As in years past, it will be semi-for-

mal. Murray Evans, assistant coach from Hardin-Simmons will be the principal speaker and will show a movie of one of the Hardin-Simmons games of the past season.

This banquet, which is always a nice affair, is sponsored each year by the Callahan County Luncheon Club, and our most sincere thanks go to this group of men for making it possible each year.

March of Dimes at School

Last Thursday night, we had basketball games here in our



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gymnasium with Eula, and all of the proceeds went to the annual

March of Dimes Campaign, which is to fight Infantile Paralysis. A total of \$40.75 was taken in and given to the March of Dimes. We wish to thank everyone who came out to the games and made it possible for us to make such a fine contribution. Then too, everyone who came saw three very interesting ball games.

The Parent-Teachers Association had its regular monthly meeting in the high school auditorium last Thursday afternoon. Among other business transacted, they voted to give \$25.00 to the March of Dimes. So we feel that the drive is getting a good start here at school.

Those of you who are interested in our schools are cordially invited to attend the meetings of the Parent-Teachers Association each third Thursday afternoon at 3:30. This is a good way for you to keep in touch with the teachers of your children, to know them better, and to show your children that you are interested in them.

SPORTS

All three teams that took the floor for Baird high school were victorious last Thursday night when they took on teams from Eula. The first game was between the boys B teams of the two schools. The Cubs won their game by the score of 18-15. Then the girls took the situation in hand and defeated the Eula girls 21-17. Then the fastest game of the night was unreel when the A teams from the two schools really put on a good show for the near capacity crowd. The final score in this game was 28-25.

These same teams met again

Monday night at Eula with the following results: Baird B team, boys, 19, Eula 12; Baird girls 14, Eula 30; Baird A team boys 35, Eula 20.

Tournament Friday and Saturday

Our boys and girls will go to Eula this weekend for the annual basketball tournament there. Last year we were not able to bring home any trophies, but we hope to be able to do better this year.

It is Time to Contribute to the March of Dimes!

Just A Little Gossip
 We wonder why some of the high school students haven't gotten their report cards yet?

We wonder, also, if the Seniors are going to San Antonio or Austin on their Senior trip?

Have You Contributed To The March Of Dimes?

News In General
 We have had quite a few students out since Christmas because of illness. We hope that this will soon subside and that everyone will soon be back in their place.

The Band went to Abilene last Thursday morning to visit the Abilene High School Band and do some observing. All report a good trip, and that they learned a great deal.

PLEASE DON'T FORGET THE MARCH OF DIMES CAMPAIGN! Your contribution is needed to fight Infantile Paralysis in Callahan County!

TYPEWRITER PAPER and ribbons—The Star office.

NINE FOREIGN COUNTRIES REPRESENTED AT ACC

When Abilene Christian College, Abilene, begins its 1948 spring semester Jan. 30th, it will have representatives of nine foreign countries among its students. South Africa, Canada, Guatemala, India, Italy, Puerto Rico, France and Mexico were represented during the fall and winter semester by 14 of the college's 1655 students. Mme. Yvonne Noel, born and reared in Belgium, arrived at Abilene Christian College Jan. 9, to enroll for the spring semester. This will mark the first time a Belgian has ever attended the col-

lege, which counts persons from Germany, Tibet, and Australia among its ex-students.

Six students from Mexico and four from Guatemala are enrolled in the Demonstration school at ACC.

Dr. and Mrs. O. E. Wolfe, Big Spring, arrived Sunday to visit her mother, Mrs. Lua James. Dr. Wolfe made a business trip to Weatherford and Ft. Worth.

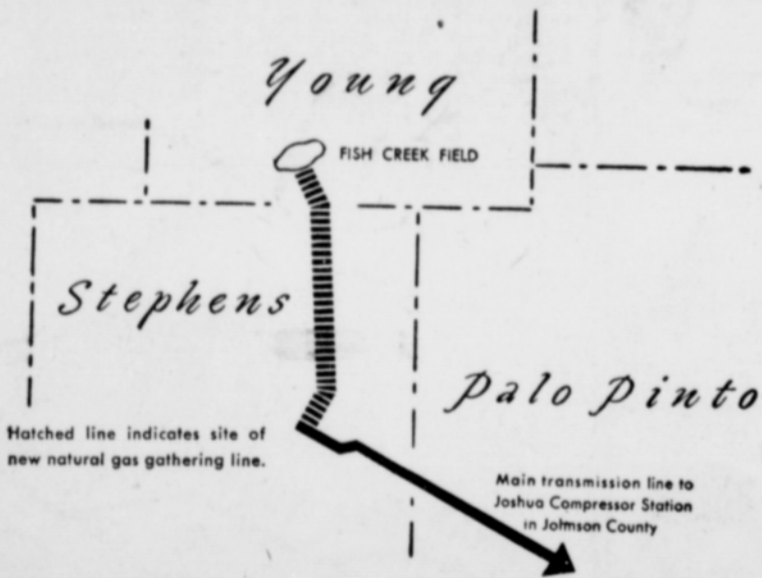
Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Pool, of Moran, stopped by The Star office for a chat while they were in Baird Saturday.

NEW GATHERING LINE TO FISH CREEK FIELD



"CHRISTMAS TREE" or Gas Well Head—in gas fields, pipes are run from several wells to form a network which is part of a gathering system to carry natural gas from the wells to main transmission lines.

Helps Assure More Natural Gas For Lone Star Customers This Winter



One of the most important activities in 1947 on the Lone Star Gas System was the addition of new natural gas reserves to meet a rapidly growing demand for natural gas. Three major gas fields were tapped by new lines during this first year of a five-year expansion program.

Fish Creek Field gathering line adds enough delivery capacity to Lone Star System to supply natural gas to a city the size of Waco. This line is but one of more than 75

lines from different fields feeding gas from more than 1,500 wells to the Lone Star System.

Coupled with the addition of new reserves is the construction of new compressor stations, new distribution lines for new customers and many other projects. At the completion of this program \$40,000,000 will have been invested in new facilities.

This \$40,000,000 program is Lone Star's biggest undertaking since the building of the System. It's a program planned to maintain Lone Star as the finest of Natural Gas Services.



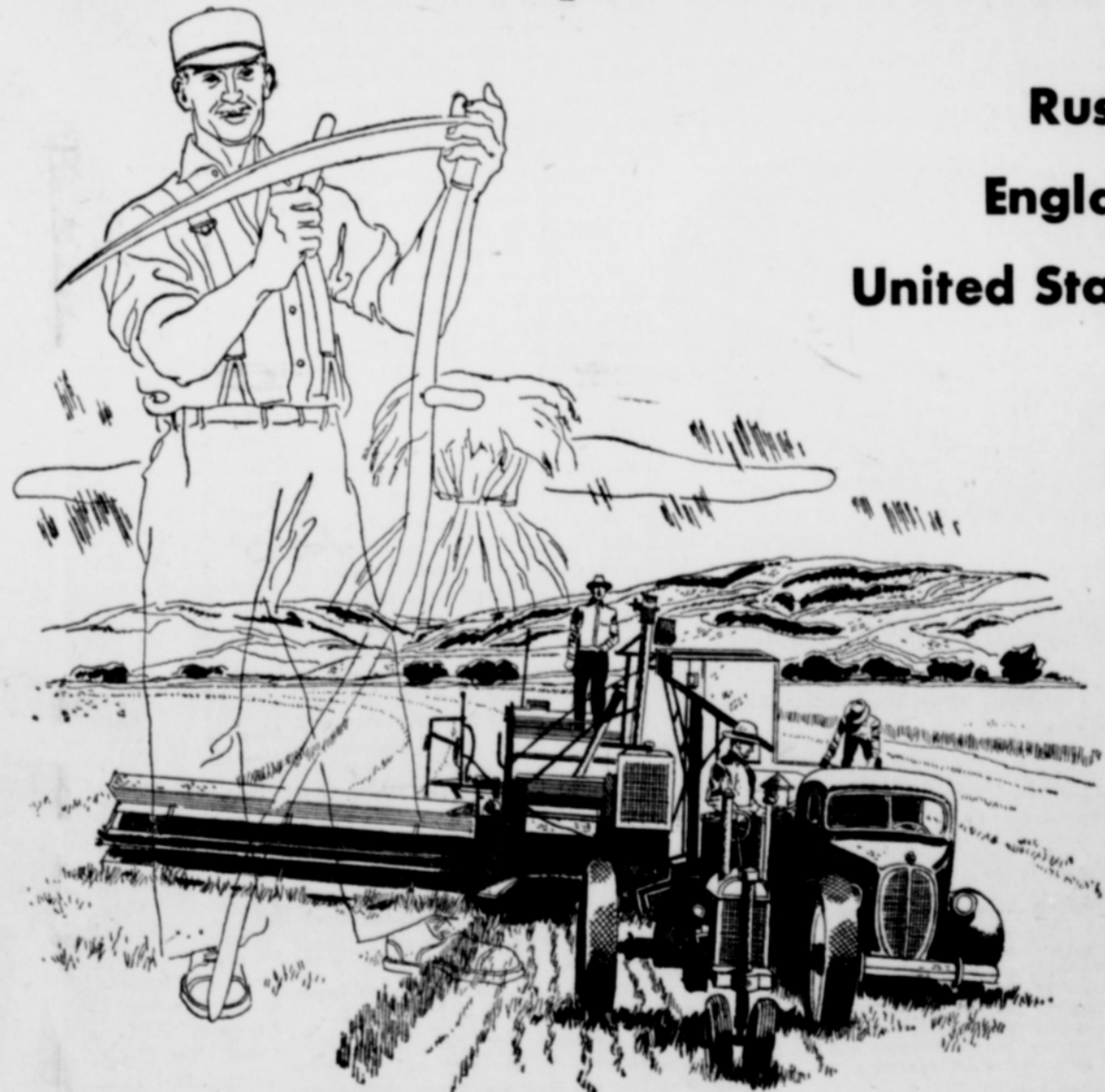
Meet Walter Roberge—"buyer" with 25 years' service in purchasing department at Lone Star. He has this to say about Lone Star's expansion program:

"One can measure the growth of Lone Star Natural Gas Service by the amount of pipe we buy. For example, we're planning to buy 360 miles of four-inch and smaller pipe for construction of new town distribution plants alone this year. This is but a small fraction of planned pipe purchases in 1948, which I believe, will be a year of record growth."

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DON'T CROSS THE YELLOW LINES

AUSTIN, Jan. 17 — Officials of the Texas Highway Department Thursday told the story about the bright yellow lines now being seen by motorists every day throughout the vast 27,000 mile system of paved highways.

"The new yellow no-passing line being put down on our highways is a double indemnity

device," State Highway Engineer D. C. Greer declared.

"It gives a flashy and obvious warning of danger to the motorist who wants to protect his own life and the lives of others," he explained, "and it gives the police something definite on which to jail or punish the driver who apparently cares little for his life and there endangers the lives of innocent motorists in the other lane."

Last year, President Truman's Highway Safety Conference urged the States to concentrate on improvement of highway center stripe in a major effort to reduce the ghastly toll of accidents due to head-on collisions and sideswiping.

In all States the color was changed to yellow, which tests have shown is more visible in all kinds of weather than any other type of marking. This yellow color is used also to impress the motorist that where yellow is seen on the road, it must not be crossed.

65,000 gallons of yellow paint are being used by the Texas Highway Department's painting crews to mark these no-passing zones. The painting operations have been under way since November and are now moving rapidly toward completion.

Highway Department officials pointed out the state-wide yellow striping program for no-passing zones is considered the best method from the engineering point of view for temporarily combating the traffic accident menace on the highway system.

The officials are hopeful the traveling public will soon become "yellow line conscious," since crossing the yellow line is not only an invitation for loss of life and limb, but is a violation of Texas law under the new uniform traffic code making violators liable for a maximum fine of \$200.

"No not cross the yellow line," as the new password to safer driving.

Mrs. Fay Fairbanks arrived by plane Friday from her home in Oregon to be at the bedside of her father, A. L. Vaughn, who is ill in the Callahan County Hospital. A native of Baird, this is Mrs. Fairbanks first visit here in 28 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Stiffler visited Mr. and Mrs. Jake Williams and daughter at Henrietta Saturday and Sunday.

Rev. J. L. Carter, Admiral Baptist preacher, was a pleasant visitor at The Star office Saturday.



A YOUNG, aggressive weekly newspaper publisher who turned to the weekly field after spending 20 years in daily newspaper work, will address Texas publishers on January 31. The occasion is the Mid-Winter Meeting of the Texas Press Assn. The speaker is Alan C. McIntosh, publisher of the Luverne (Minn.) Rock County Star-Herald.

McIntosh is a member of the board of directors of the National Editorial Assn.; second vice-president of the Minnesota Editorial Assn.; and past-president of the Interstate Press Assn., which includes Iowa, Nebraska, Minnesota and South Dakota.

He is chairman of the NEA Audit Bureau of Circulations committee, and a former member of the board of directors of Newspaper Advertising Service.

Except for four years in merchandising, he has been engaged in newspaper work since he was 12.

CHECK EXHAUST SYSTEMS IN CARS AND TRUCKS

AUSTIN — To minimize the danger of carbon monoxide poisoning during winter weather, motorists and commercial drivers are urged by Dr. Geo. W. Cox, to check up now on the exhaust systems of their automobiles for defective connections and leaks.

He said that "warming up" a car in a closed garage is the greatest cause of carbon monoxide deaths. Leaks from manifold connections, cracked manifolds, defective mufflers, leaks from loose muffler connections and leaks from hot air heater connections are potential sources for release of carbon monoxide and should be checked.

"Pay particular attention to these items and remember that proper carburetor adjustment causes minimum production of carbon monoxide and that the highest proportion of this gas is produced by an idling motor.

The State Health Officer said that headaches which occur during long drives may be an indication that carbon monoxide is leaking into the car. Sleepiness, dizziness, fatigue, and in extreme cases, paralysis are other symptoms of carbon monoxide leaking into the car. Truck drivers making long drives are particularly vulnerable, he said.

Dr. Cox described this gas as being colorless, odorless, and tasteless. When in the air it gives no sign of its presence and is taken into the blood stream instead of oxygen. Suffering or collapse result from lack of oxygen.

SALE OF SHORTHORN BEEF CATTLE AT FT. WORTH

One of the feature events of the Southwestern Exposition & Fat Stock Show to be held in Fort Worth, Jan. 30 - Feb. 8, is the sale of Shorthorn beef cattle on February 4th. Although an auction of Shorthorns is comparatively new at this show, demand this year for bulls for cross breeding and for top-notch females for foundation stock has brought out for this show one of the finest sale offerings seen in the southwest recently.

Consignors include such widely known herds as those of Thomas E. Wilson, Chicago packer, the Divide Ranch of Colorado Springs, the Oklahoma A & M College, and the top name herds of Texas.

Demand for the "new look" Shorthorn has seen such a boom in the last six years that membership in the national association has doubled over the previous all-time total up to that time.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Warren are the proud parents of a baby boy born at an Abilene hospital Tuesday, January 13. The baby tipped the scales at 8 pounds, 12½ ounces at birth, and reports are that he and his mother are getting along just fine. The baby has been named Thomas Arvin Warren. Grandparents Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Arvin and Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Warren are delighted.

T B CONTRIBUTIONS STILL BEING RECEIVED

It is not too late to send in your remittance for the T B Christmas Seal sale, according to Mrs. S. L. McElroy, county chairman. Reminder cards have been mailed to all persons in the Baird community, who were mailed stamps and who have not sent in a remittance, or returned their stamps.

This association is new in Callahan county and 80 per cent of all proceeds will be used directly in the county. To date, the Association has received approximately \$860 for which we are very thankful for all of you who are helping to further this good work.

The Baird Star has been asked to run the names of the ones who have sent in remittances. We will do so, running as many names each week as we have room for.

- Anderson, D. J. \$2.00
- Appleton, Will \$1.00
- Ashlock, Ralph \$2.00
- Asbury, Mrs. John \$1.00
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- Baugh, Tee \$1.00
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- Barnhill, Robert \$1.00
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- Bennett, Farris \$1.00
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- Cooke, W. L. \$2.00
- Corn, Irvin \$2.00
- Cooley J. R. \$2.00
- Chrisman, B. C. \$2.00
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- Couch, Mrs. Leah \$1.00
- Driskill, H. D. \$2.00
- Dunlap, S. N., Jr. \$1.00
- Dyer, A. E. \$2.00
- Dennis, M. T. \$2.00
- Delphian Study Club \$15.00
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- Dickey, N. L. \$1.00
- Dungan, M. M. \$1.00
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- Edwards, W. C. \$2.00
- English, Rev. J. A. \$2.00
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ROONEY A KNOCKOUT AS "KILLER MCCOY"

So established has Mickey Rooney become as a master of comedy that filmgoers sometimes overlook the fact that this talented young star is also a superb dramatic actor. If the proof is "Killer McCoy," M-G-M's new Rooney film, showing at the Plaza Theatre Wednesday and Thursday, in which he gives a performance that will stick to audience memory for some time to come.

It is a cold, clean, precise portrayal, this portrait of young Tommy McCoy, ex-newsboy who becomes a prizefighter and accidentally a killer in the ring. It's the story of a boy brought up by a drunken, no-good father, a boy striving to do the right thing but driven to desperate circumstances, who battles his way up the ladder to sport fame, is made the pawn of a suave gentleman gambler and, in a terrifying climax, takes a terrific beating and almost throws his biggest fight in an endeavor to save his father and the girl he loves.

"Killer McCoy" packs a wallop in every scene, not only in its realistically spectacular prize-fight sequences, which range from a spirited amateur bout to a fight in Madison Square Garden that will keep you glued to your seat, but also in the emotional impact of such episodes as that in which the young "Killer" comforts the heartbroken father who has proved himself a liar and a thief, and the touching scene in which the boy, raised in New York's slums, decides he is not good enough for Shelia, the girl who has befriended him.

DUDLEY H. D. CLUB

Mrs. Lawson Armor was hostess to the Dudley Home Demonstration Club in a recent meeting. Mrs. C. H. Betcher gave the report from the county council meeting. Mrs. H. E. Baldrige Jr., discussed "Famous Women." Mrs. Ted Walls acted as Dr. I. O. in a quiz program in which Mrs. Ola Roberts received birthday gifts for answering the questions.

Next meeting will be Jan. 28, in the home of Mrs. Roy Armor. Refreshments were served to the following: Mmes. Ola Roberts, Ted Walls, Bonnie Hodges, H. E. Baldrige, Jr., F. L. Coughran, C. H. Betcher, Hazel Crawford, L. F. Atchley, Roy Armor, Lawson - Armor, and Johnny Walls, Stanley Crawford, Margaret Armor and J. L. Morgan.

Robert Estes left last week by plane for Denver, Colorado where he will participate in a big-time rodeo. Mrs. Estes was planning to go with him but illness prevented her going.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Swofford and family, Kerrville, visited her sister, Mrs. M. C. McGowen and Dr. McGowen Monday of last week.

RECENT GUESTS OF MR. AND MRS. TEE BAULCH WERE HER BROTHERS, MILTON P. SMITH, GLENDALE, CALIF., AND J. W. SMITH, JR., SAN ANGELO.

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Want to beat Jack Frost at mighty small cost? Try this: To 1½ cups sifted SUNNYFIELD FLOUR from the A&P, add ½ tsp. salt. Cut in ½ cup shortening. Add 3 to 4 tbsps. cold water gradually, mixing gently with fork. Form into ball. Roll on lightly floured board to about a 12-inch square. Cut into 4 squares; place in large muffin tins; and fill with creamed meat, fish or vegetables. Bring corners of squares together and press. Bake in hot oven, 450° F., about ½ hr. Serves 4.

SNOWTIME STEW

There's no time like snowtime for a savory stew. And here's one that's easy and economical: Cook an 8 oz. pkg. of macaroni according to pkg. directions. Sauté 3 frankfurters cut in 1-inch pieces and ½ cup sliced green pepper in 1 tbsps. fat till onions are slightly brown. Add 1 can of tomato soup, ½ cup of water, one cup of A&P'S SULTANA KIDNEY BEANS and macaroni. Cook slowly over low heat till well blended. Serves 4.

NICE FOR NIPPY NIGHTS

When there's a nip in the air, add zip to your fare with A&P'S ANN PAGE PREPARED MUSTARD! It's a perfect pepper-upper for many foods. Take cod steaks, for example. Take 1½ lbs. to be exact, and arrange in greased shallow pan. Spread with a mixture of 2 tbsps ANN PAGE MUSTARD, 2 tbsps. chili sauce, 2 tbsps. prepared horseradish and 1 tsp. salt. Bake in moderate oven, 375° F., about 25 minutes. Serves 4.

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