

# The Baird Star

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## LONE STAR GAS CO. RE-LAYING PIPE LINE EAST OF BAIRD

The Lone Star Gas Company began work Wednesday morning east of the city near the George Ranch of relaying some three and one-half miles of their gas line.

Mr. W. B. Cooper informs a representative of The Star that some 30 men are working on this job.

It is the policy of the Lone Star Gas Co. to always use local labor as much as possible on their jobs and a number of local men are working on this job.

The work is being done by hand labor as much as possible so as to give more men work as the company desires to furnish as much labor as possible to those who need it which not only helps them but relieves the charitable organizations of possible demands and benefits all to a greater degree. The company have ditching and mechanical equipment which would reduce the expense considerably but the machinery is not being used on this job so as to give work to more men.

The work will probably require some three of four weeks to complete the job and will be pro-rated to a certain extent which will help more men and families, as they will only employ such men as have not recently been employed and who have dependents upon them.

The Lone Star is to be commended for this consideration and effort to help the unemployment situation here

## PUTNAM NEWS

by Sallie Ana

Mr. I. G. Mobley Jr., of Cedar Bluff Mo., is visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. G. Mobley. I. G. has been ill for some time.

Mr. Willis Hodges and Mr. M. M. Little were Brownwood visitors Saa.

Mr. R. F. Webb, who is still in the Hospital at Brownwood is still improving and expects to leave the hospital soon.

Mrs. Mayhaffey and children of Gorman were visiting Mrs. Mayhaffey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. G. Mobley last week.

Miss Mae McWhorter of Abilene spent the week-end in Putnam visiting her sister, Mrs. Earl Jobe.

Mrs. Tom Wingo and son, Lewis, were visitors in Putnam over the week-end.

Dr. and Mrs. Shackelford of Ranger were in Putnam Saturday.

Mr. John Burnam of Stanton is spending a few days with his parents Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Burnam.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Cunningham of Cross Plains were Putnam visitors Tuesday.

Miss Rena Ball spent the week-end visiting her parents in Abilene.

Mrs. J. A. Hill and Mrs. Fred Short were Cisco visitors Saturday.

Miss Roma Yarbrough of the Union Community spent a few days of last week visiting with Mrs. Fred Short.

Miss Dorothy Hampton of Cisco, was a visitor of Miss Thelma Everett through the week-end.

Mrs. Clarence Nurdyke, Mrs. W. W. Everett and Thelma Everett were Cisco visitors Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Nurdyke and children and Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Overton were visitors of Mr. Nurdyke's parents in Cottonwood Sunday.

Misses Thelma Everett and Murline McCool and Mr. W. P. Everett were Cisco visitors Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Clements of Abilene were Putnam visitors last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Fuller, Mrs. E. W. Golsen and Paul Wright from Calhoun, La. visited their brother, Fred Golsen and their aunt, Mrs. Jim Shackelford. They left Friday for Port Arthur Texas, Lake Charles, New Orleans, and Alexander La., their home. Mr. Fuller purchased a supply of Putnam Mill Flour and shipped it back home while here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Anthony made a business trip to Ft. Worth on first of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Williams and children who have been visiting Mrs. Williams parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Buchanan left Saturday for Olden where Bob will go to work.

Mr. H. H. Buchanan made a business trip to east Texas last week.

## E. M. Connell Died At Eula Tuesday Night

E. M. Connell, 56, died at his home near Eula Tuesday night at 9:30 following a stroke of paralysis early in the day.

Funeral services were held at the Baptist Church in Clyde, Wednesday afternoon conducted by Revs. Dick Bright, V. W. Tatum and Joe R. Mayes and interment made in Clyde cemetery.

Mr. Connell is survived by his wife several children and other relatives.

Mr. Connell was one of our most prominent stock farmers, his home, the Rough Creek Stock Farm, being one of the best in the country. He was a progressive man, doing much for the advancement of his county and his family and friends will miss him and his influence in the county.

## BIBLE SCHOOL AT UNION SCHOOL

A Bible School will be conducted by at Venita, Okla., on Monday Dec. 12th till at Union School Dec. 20-23 at 11 o'clock Sunday and 7 P. M. each evening. Everyone cordially invited to attend this school.

Born to Rev. and Mrs. Thos. H. McDonald, at Griggs Hospital on Saturday, Dec. 12th, 1931, a daughter

## PRESBYTERIAN CHRISTMAS TREE

The Presbyterian Sunday School will hold their Christmas tree and program at 7 o'clock Christmas eve and cordially invite all to attend and use our tree for their gifts.

Mrs. Francis Vestal Myers, Sec.

## BIRTHS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Sam Windham of Oplin, on Wednesday, Dec. 9, 1931, a son.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Langston of Cross Cut on Monday Dec. 14, 1931, a daughter.

## ROWDEN NEWS

Mrs. Elliott

There was preaching at the Baptist Church Sunday by the pastor, Bro. Royce Gilliland.

There will be preaching Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock by Bro. McDonald of the Baird Church of Christ. Everyone come.

Mrs. Poley Holloway and Jaunita spent the week-end in Abilene, guests of Mrs. Georgia Tannahill and Mrs. Hope.

Misses Annie Mae and Clarabel Tabor spent Sunday afternoon with Misses Ruth and Christine Bower.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Smedley spent Sunday afternoon in the A. B. Elliott home.

Hobson Sires was here from Abilene the latter part of last week, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Watson Sikes and others.

Herbert Glaze, accompanied by Mrs. Grover Gibbs and Granville, spent Sunday in Abilene with his wife who continues ill at the home of her sister Mrs. Walter Rose. Mrs. Mary Sanders of Putnam is in Abilene helping nurse her sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Odum and children visited relatives in Cross Plains, Saturday.

Calvin Miller and Raymond Gibbs were in Abilene Thursday.

Ray Boen spent his usual Sunday in Cottonwood.

Burton Roberts went to Abilene Tuesday. Burton expects to work for Sears, Roebuck & Co. during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. Pinkston died and was buried near Burkett Tuesday. Deceased was the father of Mrs. Dick Merryman and a kinsman of Mrs. Doc King.

Mr. and Mrs. Noah Smedley, Mrs. Barney Gibbs and children, Mr. and Mrs. Baggett and children, Mrs. U. V. Roberts, Miss Hettie Smedley, Miss Stella Roberts and Burton Roberts, Aaron Burr Elliott, Adrian Hardin, Leslie Baggett, Weldon Cunningham and others whose names we failed to learn went to Abilene to see the big annual parade put on by that city.

Don't forget "George In The Jam" at the school house to-night (Friday)

## Putnam To Give Aid To Needy

The citizens of Putnam held a mass meeting on Friday Dec. 11th for the purpose of making some arrangements to care for the needy of their city during the winter months.

A large crowd was present at the meeting and two committees were appointed to look after this work.

The personnel of the committees are as follows:

Central Committee—Gus Brandon, Ch'm; R. D. Williams; C. R. Nurdyke  
General Committee—R. C. Ames, Geo. Brown, John Hughes, E. E. Sunderman, W. I. Mitchell, S. F. Ingram Will Jobe.

It was decided at the meeting that everyone would pay so much each month and a nice sum was raised in this way which was favorable to all present.

Cash donations, clothing, foodstuffs such as canned vegetables, canned meats, cured meats, wheat or corn that can be ground, flour, potatoes, etc., are solicited.

Anyone desiring to contribute to this worthy cause is requested to leave the articles with Miss Eva Moore at the building just east of Y. A. Orr's Drug Store in Putnam.

See the committees appeal elsewhere in this issue.

## ADMIRAL

Romeo

Rev. H. H. Summers of Abilene filled his regular appointment here Saturday night, Sunday and Sunday night.

Everett Williams of Putnam was here Monday.

Mrs. Ralph Short and little boy of Cisco are visiting Edgar Smith.

Misses Deal, Hartie and Ray of Scranton were Admiral visitors Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. "Tots" Wristen of Baird spent Sunday with Mr. and M. Pearce.

Miss Bessie Brown of Burnt Branch is visiting Lonia Brown here.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Pearce and baby of Baird spent Sunday with Mrs. Etta Smith.

Walter Jones and family of Rowden spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. J. C. Jones.

Mrs. Barclay of Baird spent the week-end with Mrs. W. A. Gary.

## FOOTBALL NEWS

The Cross Plains "Roughnecks" defeated the Baird "Aces" 6-0 in the game played at Baird last Friday.

There was a large crowd out to see the game the proceeds of which was contributed to the charity fund being raised to help bring Christmas Cheer to the needy of Baird. The receipts of the game was around \$60.00.

The "Aces" will go to Cross Plains today to play the "Roughnecks" in a game for the same purpose, the entire proceeds to go to the charity in Cross Plains.

## PIANO RECITAL POSTPONED

Miss Glenn McGowen has postponed her piano recital which was to be held tonight, until Monday night, Dec. 21st, on account of weather conditions.

## First Methodist Church

9:45 Sunday School in all it's Departments

11 A. M., Worship in Hymns, Scripture, Prayer and Sermon. Sermon Subject: "The World's Most Sublime Fact." The Choir led by Mrs. H. H. Shaw, will give the usual beautiful Christmas Hymns, and Mrs. Shaw will favor us with a Special Number.

This Morning Christmas Service will be most attractive. We invite the General Public to enjoy it with our congregation. 6:15 P. M. All Leagues will meet.

7:00, Evening Devotions will begin. The Young People's Choir will have charge. Several numbers will be offered. A Male Quartette by four of our own home talented young men will be of interest to all.—Hear these fellows.

7:30, Sermon by Pastor. Subject, "The Greatest Known Example of Faith."

7:00 P. M., Wednesday, an Interesting Prayer Service. Two groups of twenty each are to give individually, a fact Concerning Jesus. Mrs. Bob Norrell will lead one Class and T. E. Powell the other.

Don't overlook your Offering Sunday, for our Orphans. You can donate at anytime.

## THE CHRISTMAS TREE THURSDAY EVENING

Judge Lewis is the Announcer

## Goodfellows To Begin Soliciting Funds To-day

According to W. C. White, Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Goodfellows Club the annual drive for funds and non-perishable foodstuffs will start Friday, Dec. 18th.

Last year the Goodfellows sent out Christmas baskets containing food and fruit to families that would not have otherwise received anything to bring Christmas cheer. Toys for the children were also included. The plans of the organization for this Christmas is to again distribute these tokens of Goodfellowship along the lines of last year's operations. Between forty and fifty families representing over 200 people were given aid last year including the Christmas baskets. The organization assisted in maintaining the Hoover Hotel (old rock jail) as a place for men and boys to sleep during cold weather. Black coffee, bread and stew was furnished for the hungry. Over 3000 men and boys were housed during the four months the building was open. They were only allowed to stay over night. Transients were given aid only when women and children were concerned and then only enough to get them further along on their way. The burden will be heavy this year as the National Red Cross is not going to furnish financial aid to local chapters. The work of the Red Cross last year relieved the Goodfellows to some extent of course Christmas to all this year is going to be slim compared to the past years but it will indeed be hard to those who are so unfortunate that their Christmas will be nil unless the people of Baird are willing to divide. The Goodfellows Club of this city is only operated in this community and is an organization of the combined charities of the town—When the committee calls on you think of those who might not have the joy of Christmas cheer unless you help your bit. It's going to be hard to raise the funds to carry on this work so give liberal as possible.

While here they favored us with a few splendid selections.

## Cross Plains Band Here Saturday

The Cross Plains Municipal Band was in Baird, Saturday morning enroute to Abilene where they took part in the big celebration of welcoming Santa Claus.

While here they favored us with a few splendid selections.

CHRISTMAS TREE AND PROGRAM

The Primary department of the Methodist Sunday School will have their Christmas tree and a Christmas program Sunday morning Dec. 20, at 9:45 in the basement of the church.

All parents are cordially invited to attend. Mrs. Wm. A. Fetterley, Miss Rice, Mrs. B. L. Russell, Jr., and Miss Eliska Gilliland are in charge of this department.

A number of people from Baird went to Abilene Saturday to see Santa Claus. There were thousands of people there for the same purpose. The beautiful colored lights and Christmas decorations on the streets and in the business houses are beautiful.

## BUILDING ON OCTANE OLD REFIN- ERY GOING STEADILY ON

## Mrs. Albert Betcher Buried At Tecumseh Last Week

Mrs. Lillie Betcher, wife of Albert Betcher of Oplin, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Clifton Clouts, at Venita OKla., on Monday, Dec. 7th and the remains were brought back to the family home Wednesday. Funeral services were held at the Baptist Church in Oplin Thursday afternoon at 2:30 conducted by Rev. Dick Bright and burial made at the Tecumseh cemetery.

Mrs. Betcher who had been visiting her daughter and family for some weeks was taken ill only a few days before her death. Mr. Betcher was summoned and reached her bedside on Sunday before her death Monday night.

Mrs. Betcher was 67 years of age. She was a native of Denmark, coming to America when 17 years of age with her brother, Tolwell Johnson, to join their older brother, Chris Johnson, now dead, who had been here for some years and she has continuously lived in this section.

Mrs. Betcher is survived by her husband, four children, three sons, John and Albert Betcher Jr., of Oplin, Rudolph Betcher who lives in Calif., and one daughter, Mrs. Clouts of Venita Okla., and a number of grand-children and her brother, Totwell Johnson, who lives in Okla., and who with Mrs. Clouts and Rudolph Betcher were unable to attend the funeral.

## EULA

Patsie

Well how is the Star force this cold Sunday? We all welcome this norther for we want to kill hogs and get ready for Christmas, you know fresh meat, corn hominy and a quart of good pot liquor will help out for Christmas.

Well 1931 will soon be gone and I really don't care, for we all look forward to the New Year to be better. One good thing, we have a good season in the ground and chances are we can make a good crop with little rain next year.

We are all somewhat blue on account of the hard times the past three years, but most of us are going into winter quarters in much better condition than we did last winter so lets all meet 1932 with a smile and be as happy as we can.

Sheriff Robert Edwards was in Eula Friday evening. We are always glad to have Robert with us.

Quite a few from Eula went to Abilene last Saturday to see Santa Claus.

W. T. Pool was in Eula Saturday. Bro. Pool tells us he is in fine health and he is still young in his ways.

W. E. Melton, W. J. Evans and T. E. Powell passed through Eula one day the past week.

I noticed in The Star where Uncle George Miller and wife of Rowden, were in Baird one day last week. I am always glad to see and hear from the grand old folks like Uncle George and wife and we are glad they are able to be out.

Well, here's wishing everybody a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

## Abilene And Greenville To Play Semi-finals At Abilene Today

The state semi-final football game will be played by Abilene and Greenville at Abilene this afternoon at 2:30. The winner in this game will play in the state finals during Christmas week.

General admission to the game is \$1.00. Reserved seats \$1.25.

The editor of The Star has received an invitation from Max Bentley of the Abilene Morning News to attend the game which is appreciated very much. Special seats have been reserved for the newspaper men of West Texas.

The Octane Oil Refining Co. plant is rapidly taking form although work has been considerably handicapped by unusually bad weather. The building housing the office, laboratory, and machine shop has been completed and the office has been moved into the permanent quarters. Several tanks have been erected and others are now under construction. The brick smoke stack which will be approximately one hundred fifteen feet high when completed is now being built. Rainy weather has held up the dirt work considerably but much work has been accomplished even in the mud. As soon as the weather permits additional men will perhaps be added to speed up the construction of this plant.

## W. K. Boatwright Sends Fine Fruit From The Valley

The editor of The Star gratefully acknowledges a basket of fruit from Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Boatwright, of Mission Texas, which was received Sunday. This fruit, delicious grapefruit, oranges, and tangerines, were grown on the Boatwright farm which is one of the finest in the Magic Rio Grande Valley and is the finest we have ever seen.

Mr. Boatwright says his crop this year is unusually good and as is his usual custom he remembers his old friends.

Mrs. Boatwright who has been in ill health for sometime is much better we are glad to learn.

Many thanks to you, Mr. and Mrs. Boatwright, may Christmas and the New Year bring you many pleasures

## "42" TOURNAMENT

A "42" Tournament will be held at the Chamber of Commerce building Tuesday night, Dec. 22nd at 8 o'clock.

An admission of 25 cents, 50 cents, per couple will be charged, the proceeds to be donated to the Goodfellows Club to aid in their charity work. Refreshments will be served.

Tickets will be on sale at McGowens Grocery Store, A. & P. Grocery Store, Jone Dry Goods, Holmes Drug Co. and Gilliland's Shoppe.

A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend.

Mrs. Otho Lidia, Ch'm

Mrs. J. E. Ross

Mrs. Haynie Gilliland

Committee

## METHODIST MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Society met in a social meeting on December 11th with Mesdames Farmer, Hughes and Carpenter as co-hostesses.

There will be no meeting of the society Monday Dec. 21st and on Monday Jan. 4th the newly elected officers will be installed.

## First Snow Of The Season Falls Here Wednesday

The first snow of the season fell here Wednesday, but due to the slow rain which fell preceding the snow, much of it melted but house tops are yet covered. Some sleet fell also.

The Panhandle and West Texas are reported covered with a heavy mantle of snow.

The snow and rain will be of great benefit to grain crops in this country

## Raymond Reed Promoted by Big Motor Co.

Raymond Reed, son of J. R. Reed of Baird, who has been with the Fulweiler Motor Co. for several years has been made Superintendent of the parts Department of that firm, which is one of the largest automobile dealers in this section.

Raymond is a splendid mechanic and his long service with the firm won his continuous climb with this firm.

**Think On These Things**

WHOLESALE MEDITATION  
(Selected by Bro. Andrews)

**HONOURING THE RICH AND IGNORING THE POOR**

"My brethren, have not the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory with respect of persons. For if there come into your assembly a man with a gold ring, in goodly apparel, and there come also a poor man in vile raiment; And ye have respect to him that weareth the gay clothing, and say unto him, Sit thou here in a good place; and say to the poor, stand thou there, or sit here under my footstool: ARE YE NOT THEN PARTIAL?"

No. 72. Jas. 2:1 to 4

**Composite All-District Football Eleven**

The following list represents the choice of three coaches and two newspaper men for an all-district football team, the coaches being Gingrich, Rising Star, Delay of Moran, and Vilha of Cross Plains, and the scribes being Scott of Cross Plains and Sellers of Rising Star. Coaches from Albany Clyde, Putnam, Baird and Olden have not been heard from.

Six players were chosen unanimously. These are indicated by the letter U. Albany is first with four men and Rising Star second with three. The names follow:  
L.E.—Little of Putnam, "U"  
L.T.—Allen of Albany, "U"  
L.G.—T. Webb of Cross Plains, "U"  
C.—Roach of Rising Star, "U"  
R.G.—M. Todd of Albany.  
R.T.—Montgomery of Rising Star.  
R.E.—Harris of Moran.  
Q.B.—Sunderman of Putnam.  
L.H.—Nunnally of Rising Star, "U"  
R.H.—Pate of Albany.  
F.B.—H. Todd of Albany, "U"

**TAX REBELLION PROSPECTS**

Most of us have received various reports, speeches and what-not issued by the government. In newspaper and magazine offices they come in bales.

Last year the government printing office turned out four billion copies of such matter, at a cost of about \$20,000,000. Sales to the public returned \$215,743 of this. The rest was free issue at the expense of taxpayers.

Most of this matter furthermore, is sent free through the mails, thus building up the postal deficit, and again taking money from the pockets of taxpayers. Some of these publications are, of course, valuable and constitute a legitimate function of government. But the bulk of them are either useless or consist of political utterances which serve only to glorify some "statesman" or bureau in the public eye. And we all pay for it.

Twenty million or so dollars is a comparatively small item in the cost of government. But the free-printed, post-free document "racket" is a good example of wastefulness and extravagance in the use of public funds.

The taxpayer is a patient, long-enduring creature, but cannot even his patience be strained to virtual re-

**DO YOU KNOW WHY --- If These Were Styles Women Would Wear Them?**

Drawn for this paper By Fisher



bellion? There are signs of it. The Massachusetts Tax Association said recently: "Recognition must be given to the gradually awakening tax more and more is causing the average citizen to realize that expenditures in government must be reduced or curtailed just as industry has been forced to deflate its costs in order to exist."

**OLD HOG KILLING, CURING METHODS IMPROVED**

Hog killing weather calls attention to the modern killing, cutting and curing methods brought by county agents to Texas farms to give pork products equal in quality to packing house meat. The "Extension Service Way" of handling this meat, as outlined by specialists of the Service at Texas A. & M. College and demonstrated by county agents all over the State, differs sharply from the old farm way. Killing is done by sticking to insure a good bleed; the cleaned and dressed carcass is split down the center of the backbone; cutting is entirely different and is delayed until the carcass is chilled and a superior dry cure is used.

The steps in cutting to give the greatest amount of good meat with the least waste are: 1. Cut off head at first joint behind skull, 2. remove shoulder between fourth and fifth rib, 3. bone out neck bones and ribs from shoulder, 4. divide shoulder into picnic and butt by cutting across shoulder at joint where neck bones were taken out, 5. remove ham at a line half way between rise in backbone and pelvic bone and at a right angle to shank, 6. divide side into back and belly, 7. remove ribs from belly and trim remainder for bacon, and 8. divide back into loin and fat back.

The dry cure used by most county agents is made up of 8 pounds salt, 2 pounds brown sugar and 2 ounces saltpeter for every 100 pounds of meat. Half of this mixture is rub-

bed on the meat which is packed down in barrel or stone jar and the other half rubbed into the meat at the end of seven days, when meat is repacked. Bacon is cured 1 1/2 days per pound in the piece, and hams and shoulder 3 days per pound in the piece.

Any hardwood is recommended for smoking with green hickory or pecan preferred. Corn cobs or mesquite may be used. Thirty hours of smoking should give the medium brown color desired. Thorough wrapping is very important to keep out skippers. All paper edges should be glued. Meat should be hung in a cool, dry place of storage.

**Did You Ever Stop To Think**  
(by Edson R. Waite)  
Shawnee, Okla.

Fred J. Walker, Editor of the Pittsburg (California) Post-Dispatch, says "The town that grows is the town that deserves to grow. No community can hope to progress if its leaders are not progressive and do not work to improve it."

"Populacion and wealth go where they are welcomed. The best way to attract them is to give them what they want."

"Humans like to live where life is pleasant; good parks, playgrounds, hospitals, schools, streets, churches, theaters and such attractions have intangible values which stimulate civic growth."

"Capital flows where it draws interest. Happy the community which makes it possible for industry to live under the same pleasant conditions which are demanded by the average voter."

"The quickest way to attract new money and new blood to a community is to make the individuals and business houses already in the field as prosperous and happy as possible."

A new postoffice building is under construction at McCreary.

Fort Worth recently celebrated the completion of the Union Terminal, built at a cost of thirteen million dollar.

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Until about 200 years ago, asparagus was popularly known as spargrass or sparrowgrass.

**JUST-KIDS— Oh! Well, Of Course.**

By Ad Carlin



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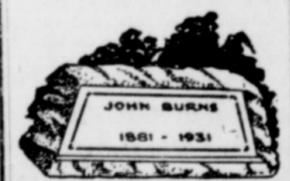
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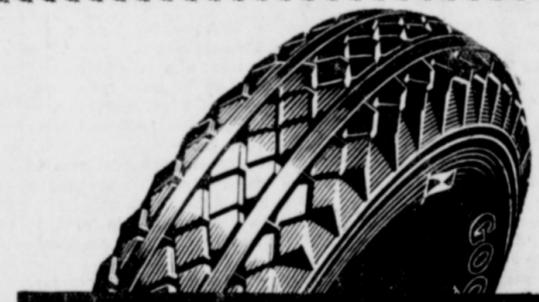


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	30x4.50-21	4.85	4.70
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**SHERIFF'S NOTICE OF SALE**

The State of Texas, County of Callahan.

Whereas, by virtue of a certain order of sale issued out of the District Court of Callahan County, Texas, on the 30th day of November, A. D. 1931, wherein E. H. Shipley is Plaintiff, and C. W. Dudley and Lewis Masten are Defendants on a judgment rendered in said court against said Defendant and in favor of said Plaintiff, for the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Eighty One & 34/100 Dollars, with interest thereon at the rate of 8 per cent per annum, from date of judgment together with all costs of suit; I have levied upon and will on the 5th day of January, A. D. 1932, between the hours of ten o'clock a. m. and four p. m. at the Court House door of said County, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder, all the right, title and interest of C. W. Dudley and Lewis Masten in and to the following described property, levied upon, to-wit:

The Southeast one-fourth of the Southeast one-fourth of B. B. & C. R. R. Co. land Survey No. 54, Callahan County, Texas.

The above sale to be made by me to satisfy the above described judgment for \$2,581.34 in favor of Plaintiff, together with all costs of suit and sale, and the proceeds to be applied to the satisfaction thereof.

R. L. EDWARDS, Sheriff, 1-3t Callahan County, Texas.

**SHERIFF'S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE**

By virtue of an order of sale issued out of the District Court of Taylor County, 104th Judicial District of Texas, on a judgment rendered in said Court on the 3rd day of November, 1931, in cause No. 1257-B, in favor of plaintiff, W. J. Behrens and against the defendants, W. T. Harris and Edgar Linecum, jointly and severally for the sum of \$6,996.53 with interest thereon from the third day of November, 1931 at the rate of 10% per annum and costs of suit, and foreclosing vendor's lien against all defendants, namely, W. T. Harris and wife Annie M. Harris and Edgar Linecum and against all rights, titles and interests of each of them in and to the following described land and premises (except one-half interest in the oil, gas and minerals in and under said land reserved by said Edgar Linecum in the hereinafter mentioned deed), I did on the 2nd day of December 1931, levy upon the following described land and premises situated in Callahan County, Texas, including all rights, titles and interests of each of the defendants, W. T. Harris and wife Annie M. Harris and Edgar Linecum (except said one-half interest in said oil, gas and minerals), to-wit:

All of the West half of the G. W. Denton Survey No. 370, containing 320 acres of land, more or less ex-

cept said one-half interest in the oil, gas and minerals in and under said land reserved by said Edgar Linecum in deed from him and his wife Ida Linecum to said W. T. Harris, dated January 9, 1929, recorded in Callahan County, Texas, Deed Record, Volume 127 page 561.

Said land is now known as the W. T. Harris place and as the old Edgar Linecum place and is situated about 25 miles in a S. W. direction from Baird, Texas, in the Southern part of Callahan County, Texas.

And on the 5th day of January, 1932, being the first Tuesday of said month, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 4 o'clock P. M. on said day, at the Court House door of said Callahan County, Texas, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction for cash said land and premises and all rights, title and interests of said W. T. Harris and wife Annie M. Harris and Edgar Linecum in and to the same (except said one-half of said oil, gas and minerals reserved as stated by said Edgar Linecum).

Dated at Baird, Texas, this 2nd day of December 1931.

R. L. EDWARDS, Sheriff, 1-3t Callahan County, Texas.

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Even after pyorrhea has affected your stomach, kidneys and your general health, Leto's Pyorrhea Remedy, used as directed, can save you. Dentists recommend it. Druggists return money if it fails—Wheeler's.

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IT IS NOT the cost of the gift, but the thought that lies behind the giving that warms the cockles of the heart on Christmas morning.

Then, instead of some short-lived trinket, how much nicer to give something that will bring solace and delight for many days after the Christmas tree is gone; until the New Year is on its way.

For the cigarette smoker, man or woman, of course give Camels. A blend of choice Turkish and mild, sun-ripened Domestic tobaccos, they are kept fresh and prime by the Camel Humidor Pack, with their natural moisture unimpaired by parching or toasting.

In appropriate holiday wrapping, Camels

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For the man who smokes a pipe, we suggest either a pound tin or one of those crystal glass humidors of good old PRINCE ALBERT. Here is a present that goes straight as a Christmas carol to a man's heart; P. A., the best loved pipe tobacco in the world, all dressed for the occasion in bright-Christmas costume.

What gift can you think of that will be more welcome or give more genuine pleasure and satisfaction?

Don't you hope someone will think of such a friendly gift for you?

We wish you Merry Christmas!

"Are you Listenin'?"  
R. J. REYNOLDS TOBACCO COMPANY'S COAST-TO-COAST RADIO PROGRAMS  
CAMEL QUARTER HOUR, Morton Downey, Tony Wons, and Camel Orchestra, direction Jacques Renard, every night except Sunday, Columbia Broadcasting System  
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See radio page of local newspaper for time



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# THE BAIRD STAR

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## APPRECIATED WORDS

We clip the following from last week's issue of the Nolan County News, published at Sweetwater and ably edited by C. S. Boyles Jr., a son of C. S. Boyles, a well known former citizen and business man of Bairst and C. S. Jr., was born in Bairst and spent his boyhood days here. He has been in the newspaper business for several years and is one of West Texas most popular young newspaper men.

We surely appreciate the words of commendation and encouragement expressed in his comment on The Stars 44th birthday, especially so, because they came from one whose sincerity we appreciate.

VOLUME NO. 45

With this issue The Bairst Star enters upon the 45th year of its existence. In the forty-four years which have passed by, The Star has endeavored in every way to help in every cause that was for the good of Bairst and Callahan county. The late W. E. Gilliland, who established The Star was among the early residents of the county and had an abounding faith in this section and put forth every effort possible for the upbuilding of the city and it is our purpose to continue the work begun by him. The past few years have been rather hard years for us as well as many others but we hope that the worst is behind us and that the future will bring better times for us all.—The Bairst Star

The average Texan never thinks of nor sees the name of Bairst without consciously or unconsciously adding the words "The Bairst Star" in his mind. "Bairst" and "Star" just naturally go together. Here is a partnership between a town and its newspaper that bids fair to live as long as this old earth remains. For forty-four long years Bairst and The Star have gone along hand-in-hand, surviving mutual setbacks, enjoying mutual triumphs. It is a record we younger newspapers observe with mingled awe and hope. Truly, The Bairst Star has set a mark for all weekly newspaperdom. Under the guiding hand of its illustrious founder and those who succeeded him The Star occupies an exclusive niche in the newspaper circles of this state. The past few years, as you say, have been rather hard years for all of us. But your own newspaper now launching its forty-fifth year, is a lesson within itself that we shall tide thru these lean times and experience yet the joy of better days. Why man's puny crying over present affairs is put to shame by the lesson of The Star which has remained steadfast since the day back yonder, nearly half a century ago, when your rays first twinkled in a barren, unpopulated, raw West Texas. So long as the spirit of W. E. Gilliland hovers over The Star editorial desk and softly guides the flow of ink and turn of machinery on press day; so long as West Texas exhibits that kind of make-up that has brought The Star triumphantly through its forty-four years of service; so long as we learn the lesson of weathering out storms with tight lips and keeping our feet on the ground in fair weather, then, like The Star, our gleam will never dim and the future, indeed, will bring better times for us all.

## With Bairst Baptist

We had a real good day Sunday and are looking forward to next Sunday with happy anticipations. Next Sunday is Buckner Orphans Home day. I will speak on the home and we will make an offering to the orphan children. Let every one be sure and bring something for this offering remembering that Jesus said: I was hungry and you fed me. And as oft as ye do it unto one of these little ones of mine you do it unto me. Lets be on hand next Sunday for Sunday School with your change for the Christmas tree fund. Next Sunday will be the last Sunday to get that

fund so we just want to bring in a plenty to take care of the need.

I invite all to come to our services and insist on our members being in their places.

As I am writing these notes the word comes that Bro. Ed Connell has gone. It fills my heart with grief. I love Ed Connell, he is one of my dearest best friends, has always been interested in our masters work and faithful in his duties. His body will be buried this afternoon at Clyde, but Ed Connell will not be buried, he will live on forever, his memory and influence can never die. May God bless and sustain his loved ones is my prayer.

Joe R. Mayes

## COTTONWOOD LOCALS

Mrs. Mitchell

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Brock, visited their son, Ralph, in the Eula neighborhood, last Wednesday.

Miss Missouri Strahan left Wednesday for Mission, in the Rio Grande Valley, where she will look after her financial interests. She was accompanied by her brother, Howard.

Darwin Ivy, returned home Thursday after spending several weeks near Lubbock.

The last Quarterly Conference of this year was held here Fri. and was very well attended.

A bountiful supply of good home made dinner was spread at the church and to all appearances was properly

enjoyed and appreciated by all present.

Bro. Murrill of Abilene, our newly appointed presiding Elder was with us for the first time and we feel it would express the sentiment of the charge as represented to say there was no disappointment in our association. Rev. W. C. Armstrong of Cross Plains, and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Baum of Victoria were our only visitors. A short business session was held immediately after the noon hour conducted by Rev. O. C. Stapleton, pastor of Dressy circuit, after which the "Reverend Three" or the three Reverends laid aside their clerical garments so to speak donned their old clothes and took to the tall timber on Virgil Fulton's place where they hunted squirrels until night drove them to their respective homes. Only one squirrel was bagged which went with the Presiding Elder. The reason given for the shortage of game was Mr. Fulton's dog had helped himself to a very heavy dinner and was lacking in energy.

Mr. Henry Hager and wife, son Jim and family visited his sister, Mrs. Jennie Bennett.

Turkey marketing is the order of the day in our financial circle. Lights can be seen around the hen houses in almost every direction at night.

John Woody and wife of Abilene visited a short while with relatives, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Euclid Coppinger went to Abilene Saturday taking with them several little boys and girls to see the Santa Claus parade.

Dan Mitchell is staying in Atwell now with his brother in law, Owen Rouse, who is confined to the bed with typhoid fever.

W. J. Russell of Rowden visited his parents Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Russell, a short time Saturday evening.

Grady Respass and family of Sweetwater, spent Sunday with home folks. A turkey dinner was prepared at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Clifton in honor of Rozelle Whitzel's tenth birthday. All the Respass families being present except Grady who unexpectedly arrived on the scene completing the reunion of the Respass family. Those present were Mrs. Respass and daughters, Misses Beulah and Hazel, Mr. and Mrs. Whitzel and daughters Jimmie and Roselle, Mr. and Mrs. Walker Respass and little daughter, Dixie Ann, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Respass and baby daughter, Patricia Marie, Mr. and Mrs. Grady Respass and two children, Mr. and Mrs. George Clifton and three daughters, and son Walter and wife, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Mitchell, Mrs. C. V. Ramsey and daughter-in-law, Mrs. Clarence Ramsey, are attending court in Brownwood this week.



## KING'S CANDIES

For a quarter of a century the name "King's" on a package of candy has been recognized as a guarantee of high quality, and this year they have succeeded in making "THE BEST" better. King's chocolates are richer, more luscious than ever before.

Lovely Christmas packages \$1.00 to \$2.00

## CHRISTMAS BOXES AND WRAPPINGS

All Christmas boxes large and small 5c, 8c, and 10c

### CHRISTMAS WRAPPINGS

Green, Red, and White tissue 1 roll 15 sheets 10 cents  
Holly and Pine Sprayunifoil 1 roll 1 sheet 10 cents  
Packs—unusual designs in silver, black, red, green and blue, 3 sheets 20 cents

## BOOKS

Children's books from 25 cents to \$1.25. All other books 75 cents to \$3.50

This Year Give Books

Hot chicken sandwiches, hot chocolate, coffee and all fountain drinks. Cigars, cigarettes and tobaccos.

We feature unusual Gifts, priced less than \$1.00

## GILLILAND'S SHOPPE



## Want to Make This Christmas A Real Happy One?

SOME day you plan to buy a modern Electric Refrigerator—why not *this* Christmas? It's a gift that will bring untold happiness to your loved ones . . . a gift that will make this Christmas one long-to-be-remembered and appreciated.

You will find Electric Refrigeration a constant aid



and economy in the preservation and conservation of food, guarding your family's health, and in the preparation of countless delicious frozen desserts and salads. Doesn't that sound like the real spirit of Christmas?

A small down payment now will install the invaluable Frigidaire in your home for Christmas—a perfect gift for the entire family. Ask for a demonstration . . . today!

Do you know that your increased use of Electric Service is billed on a surprisingly low rate schedule . . . and adds only a small amount to your total bill?

## West Texas Utilities Company

Safe Strong Conservative  
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## SIGAL THEATRE

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First time in sound. The supreme picture of all time brought to you with rejuvenated majesty through the miracle of the modern sound screen. D. W. Griffith's masterpiece greater—far greater—more thrilling than ever before.

Wednesday and Thursday Dec. 23-24

### "THE DECEIVER"

with LLOYD HUGHES, IAN KEITH, DOROTHY SABASTIAN. The private life of a great lover.

Friday and Saturday December 25-26

### "THE CISCO KID"

with WARNER BAXTER and EDMUND LOWE

# PERSONALS

Miss Elaine Pratt spent the week-end with friends in Breckenridge.

Mrs. Sarah Barclay spent the week-end with Mrs. Buck Gary and family at Atwell.

Mrs. L. D. Falls of Ranger is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Buck White, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Windham and daughter Mrs. John Jorden of Oplin, were in Baird Monday.

Mrs. Harold Ray visited her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Lee in Ft. Worth, this week.

Hall Hadley of Ft. Worth is here this week looking after his ranch interests here.

Mrs. Ludie Owens and son, Davis Owens, were in from the ranch on the Bayou, Monday.

C. S. Boyles of Sweetwater, spent Sunday with his cousins, Misses Billie and Ella Moore Seale at Belle Plaine.

Rev. R. A. Walker and daughters, Vera, Mamy, and Velma, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Walker.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Chatham and children spent Sunday with Mrs. Chatham's father Mr. Thompson at Cottonwood.

Mrs. Eldon Dunlap and little niece, Maxine Burks spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Bibb at Belle Plaine.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Brian of Kilgore are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Brian and Mr. and Mrs. Buck White.

Claude Flores visited his sister, Mrs. Henry Benham in Breckenridge this week. Mrs. Benham has recently returned from a stay of several weeks on the farm at Balmorhea.

Henry Seale of Bryan Texas is visiting his nieces, Misses Billie and Ella Moore Seale at Belle Plaine and looking after his ranch interests in this county.

Mrs. Robert G. Price and little daughter, Bobbie Jane have returned to their home in Van Horn, after a few weeks visit with Mrs. Price's Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Bennett.

Mr. and Mrs. Cayle Hall left a few days ago for their home in Pasadena Calif., after a two weeks visit with Mrs. Hall's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Schwartz and other relatives here.

Eldon Boydston who has been associated with his brother B. L. Boydston in buying cotton, with headquarters at Big Spring, left the first of the week for Brawley, Calif., to spend the holidays with his family.

W. V. Roberts and daughter, Miss Stella of Rowden, were in Baird Wednesday. Mr. Roberts tells us a good snake story. He says that his son, Burton Roberts, and J. M. Harden found a snake den in the Cutbirth pasture a few days ago and killed eighteen rattlesnakes, some of them having as many as ten rattles. The boys could hear more snakes back among the rocks but had no way of getting them out but they met Fred Cutbirth and told him of the den and he went later and killed eighteen more snakes.

# PALACE

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**"THE CHAMP"**  
Sunday or Monday Dec. 20-21

Misses Dorothy Boydston, Donna McGowen, Verna Mae Edwards, Leo Thompson, Ralph Short and Harold Haley students in Simmons are at home for the holidays.

W. O. Wylie Jr., recently completed his course in the Dallas School of Embalming, has received his diploma as a licensed embalmer and will be associated with his father in the undertaking business.

Tommie Windham and Kin Kumes of Oplin were in Baird Tuesday with a pack of hounds enroute to Shackelford county on a wolf hunt. Tommie informs us that he and Mrs. Windham recently went on a hunt in the Davis mountains and each brought back a deer.

## Announcement

I have bought the ice business of J. R. Craighead at Albany but still retain my business at Baird, also at Moran. Business requirements make it necessary that I make my headquarters at Albany and while I have moved there I wish to assure all my friends and loyal customers that I will continue to serve you in the future as I have in the past, giving you the same good service.

I sincerely appreciate the patronage I have had and will appreciate your future business. Thanking all and wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, I am

Sincerely,  
Tom Price

FOR RENT:—Residence close in. Phone 145. H. W. Ross. 3-1tp

FOR RENT:—Apartment in Cunningham house. H. W. Ross, Phone 145 3-1tp

WANTED:—Housekeeping for elderly couple or small family. Address R. S. G., Box 688, Baird Texas.

HOG LOST:—Black Poland China Shoat, weight about 70 lbs. Suitable reward for information at to whereabouts.  
Chas. W. Coats.

# LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Baird, Texas  
Dec. 7, 1931

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a little sewing machine and a new doll. Fill my doll clothes. Trats all stockings full with toys and nuts and Betty Jane Estes.

Baird, Texas  
Dec. 7, 1931

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring us a pretty doll, a toy train and a little red chair, a toy gun some firecrackers and candy and nuts Your little friends  
Geraldine, Maxine and James Burks Jr.

Cisco, Texas  
Route No.4

Dear Santa:  
I hope you can bring us something this time even if times are hard. I would like some Lincoln Logs so I can play with them when the weather is bad. Also some Tinker Toys. Don't forget Buddie and Pete.

Your little friend  
Billy Taylor

Baird, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
We want a doll and some doll clothes also a little sewing machine. We would like to have some candy and nuts in our stockings, which you will find by the chimney in the dining room and we want you to remember all the little children, please  
Patty and Dorothy Estes.

Baird, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
I started to school this year and I have been good. I want you to come to see me and bring me a rain coat and a bible. I am six years old.

Your Friend  
Annie Myrie Smith

Baird, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a doll, ring and lots of candy and nuts. I will try to

be good and love you lots.

Earlene Bibbs

Iona Teacherage

Dear Santa Claus:  
We saw you in Abilene last Saturday, but did not get to talk with you, so we are writing to ask that you bring us, each, a doll, a little stove to cook on, and a tea set. We should enjoy any other Christmas goodies that you might have to spare. You will find our dolls at McGowens Grocery Store in Baird with our names on them. We hope each and every little boy and girl will have a good Christmas.

With love from your little girls  
Helen, Nancy, and Martha  
Nell Morgan.

# SOCIAL NEWS

Please report all social news to the Star office. Thanks.

## DINNER PARTY

One of the smartest social affairs of the Thanksgiving season was the dinner given by Misses Francis Lorain, and Eller Moore Seale at the Seale Ranch in Belle Plaine Sunday at Six o'clock P. M.

The reception halls and dining room was banked in fall foliage studded with crysanthemums of every shade and hue.

Place cards were yellow baskets of salted nuts and an elaborate tom turkey was served with moulded salad of gold and green.

The following guests enjoyed this gorgeous affair: Miss Mary Kneiff, Miss Lois Phelps, Mr. Ralph Hunter, Mr. Fessie Kraselsky of Abilene, Miss Ruth Akers and Mr. Thompson of Baird, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hudson of Clyde, Mr. Claude of Belle Plaine, and the Hostesses.

## METHODIST CHRISTMAS TREE

We extend a cordial invitation to all who do not attend elsewhere to come to the Methodist Church on Christmas eve as our honor guests. Everyone will receive a gift from the tree and we want you.

T. J. Griswold, Pastor  
A. L. Johnson, S. S. Supt.

# Expression, Dance, and Music Recital Program

Mrs. Robert Walker and Mrs. Robert Latimer will present their Expression and Music pupils in a recital Tuesday evening, Dec. 22, at 8 o'clock. Those interested are cordially invited. The program is as follows:

The Holy City	Katherine McCoy
Pantomime	Mrs. H. H. Shaw
Song	Mery Lillian Harville
The Knight and the Page	Billy Hall Walls
Patriotism	Katherine McCoy
Mother O'Mine	

The Cuckoo	Lila Lee Browning
Christmas and Thanksgiving	Betty McCoy
Signs of Christmas	Lila Lee Browning
Her Family	LaDair Nowlin
Narcissus	Mary Francis Satterwhite
Jane and Her Dolly	Billy Francis Shafer
If Santa Shouldn't Come to Me	Ellen G. Tankersley
A Puzzling Question	Imogene Lamar
Long, Long Ago	Ruth Ray
More Blessed To Give	Vivian Nunnally
I've Been and Had the Measles	Betty McCoy
Learning to Spell	Martha Work
Adonis Galop	Lila Lee Browning, and Mary Francis Satterwhite
Santa Claus' Son	Virginia Rose Hargis
The Goblins 'I Get You	Helen Fulton
Buying Christmas Presents	Betty Gay Lidia
Little Helper	

Christmas Time	Betty Foy Latimer
(a) 2nd Mazurka	
(b) Polish Dance	Beryl Owens
Foolin' Santa Claus	Clyde Wallace Yarbrough
What Naughty Tommy Says	Bill Yarbrough
Johnnie's Checker Story	Sam Driskill
Deserted	Billy McCoy
Here Comes The Bride	Cora Virginia Work

Comin' Thru the Rye	Virginia Rose Hargis,
	Betty Foy Latimer, Betty Gay Lidia, Imogene Lamar,
	Martha Work, Billy Francis Shafer.

Southern Miss	Ellen G. Tankersley
Snowflakes	Vivian Nunnally
Ladair Nowlin, Betty McCoy	

A Minuet	Helen Fulton, Mary Lillian Harville
Accompanist—Mrs. Robert Latimer	
Honor Students: Betty McCoy, Billy Hall Walls.	



## Seasonable Foods At Reasonable Prices

At A. & P. you will find a complete array of holiday foods as well as a full line of staple foods featured at the lowest possible prices. Come in and see our special displays of holiday foods

## CIGARETTES The Popular Brands \$1.59

PRINCE ALBERT TOBACCO 1 lb tin. Christmas pkg 98c	CANDY BARS 3 for 10c
MINCE MEAT pkg. 10c	Holly Christmas Candy lb 12c
PINEAPPLE No. 2 can 15c	Chocolate Cream Candy lb 15c

## PRUNES medium size 2 lb 11c

DEL MONTE SPINACH No. 2 can 25c	8 O'CLOCK COFFEE Can 19c
CRANBERRY SAUCE can 19c	HERSHEY COCOA lb 25c

## PACIFIC TOILET PAPER 3 rolls 10c

BULK RICE 5 lb 25c	SUGAR, PURE CANE 10 lb cloth bag 49c
GRANDMOTHER'S BREAD 16 oz. loaf 5c	A. & P. PUMPKIN 2 No. 2 1/2 cans 25c

## SPARKLE Gelatin Dessert Pkg 5c

(PERSONAL)

Women who have to save money and women who know that it is intelligent to save money, are A. & P. customers. They know you can't be happy-go-lucky and carefree if you are a thrifless spender

We have a complete line of Christmas fruits, candies, and nuts

## FRESH FRUITS & VEGETABLES

BANANAS lb 5c	Emperior Grapes 3 lb 25c
APPLES 2 doz. 25c	POTATOES 10 lb 16c
LETTUCE head 6c	ORANGES doz 19c

THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO.



## Gifts For MEN & BOYS

Tie and Handkerchief Sets  
49c to \$1.50

The new Shantung and solid color shirts all new  
89c to \$1.95

New shipment of Beautiful Ties  
49c to 89c

Silk or Wool Scarfs  
49c to \$3.95

Men's Socks 50 to 75c  
now 29c

Silk or Wool Blanket Robes  
\$3.98 to \$7.98

Silk or Broadcloth Underwear  
39c to 98c

New shipment of Men's Hats  
\$2.95 to \$5.00

Sweaters Coat and Slip On  
\$1.95 to \$3.95

Many other useful Gifts

# MAYFIELD'S

Truly A Christmas Store full of practical and useful gifts—New low prices—New goods. Never before have we had such a variety. See our windows—They will help you.

## LADIES DRESSES SPECIAL UNTIL CHRISTMAS

New fall dresses sold up to \$7.98 this rack \$2.98

New fall dresses sold up to \$10.75 this rack \$4.98

Other dresses of \$12.75 to \$16.75 One lot at 1-2 PRICE

Nothing would make a better Christmas Gift

MEN'S SUITS \$35.00 to \$37.50 Curlee Suits two pants \$22.00

\$25.00 Suits to go at \$17.00

See these wool Topcoats \$11.00 to \$15.00

All Men's and Boy's Shoes at Sale Prices

Blankets—double—all new beautiful patterns, large sizes part wool \$1.98

Others \$1.59 to \$3.98

Our stock is most complete—new merchandise—new low prices—we will be glad to help you in making selections.

A Pleasure To Have You Look



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**HISTORY OF CALLAHAN COUNTY**

As Compiled From The Records by S. E. Settle

**ARTICLE XIV.**

**BELLE PLAINE, THE COUNTY SEAT, AND FIRST TOWN IN CALLAHAN COUNTY**

There are many permanent records relating to this picturesque old city, and in compiling a graphic sketch of the town in its historical aspects, it would be necessary really to include write-ups of the various families who were its pioneer residents, a task, of course, almost impossible, but, by limiting the time to about the years 1877 to '80, some interesting information may be given about the First County Seat, as well as the First town in the County.

As stated in the first article, the County was organized by election held on July 3rd, 1877, and immediately the question of locating a permanent County Seat came up for the citizens to determine by another election. An old campaign card of Mr. W. P. "Dick" Cochran gives the information that there were cast in the July 3rd or County organization, 175 votes. However, I have not been able to locate the official returns, and presume same were recorded in Eastland County, which at the time embraced our County.

By Proclamation of Governor Richard B. Hubbard, the first election on a "Permanent County Seat" was held on October 13th, 1877, as is indicated by returns below:

"General returns of an election begun and held pursuant to the Proclamation of the Governor of the State of Texas in and for the County of Callahan and State of Texas on the 13th day of October, 1877, for the Permanent Location of a County Seat for Callahan County.

Precinct No. 1. D. Y. Russell Presiding Officer, Belle Plaine—42 votes, Callahan City—19 votes.

Precinct No. 2. Frank McLaury Presiding Officer, Belle Plaine—23 votes, Callahan City—22 votes.

Precinct No. 3. James Randalls, Presiding Officer, Belle Plaine—27 votes, Callahan City—35 votes.

Precinct No. 4. Dr. J. D. Windham, Presiding Officer, Belle Plaine—30 votes, Callahan City—0 votes.

Precinct No. 5. A. L. Gatewood, Presiding Officer, Belle Plaine—16 votes, Callahan City—1 vote.

Total number of votes cast for Belle Plaine—128 votes.

Total number of votes cast for Callahan City—77 votes.

Majority for Belle Plaine—51 votes "Commissioners' Court Minutes, a small book used both for the minutes of the first meeting of the Court at Callahan City, July 30th, 1877, and later for several months at Belle Plaine, at its subsequent sessions, in the back of this record book, gives the above election returns.

But, evidently this election was not "legal" and was "void", as is shown by Judge John Rembert Brown's letter addressed to the Governor, which follows:

"Hubbard, Sir: Your proclamation issued Sept 14th ordering election for permanent location of County Seat Callahan County reached me 24th inst after nightfall. By telegram from Hon. Sec. State, I learn you issued 2nd proclamation ordering election for 12th Nov. which not yet reached me. By an order of Hon. Com. Court of Callahan County in session today (Oct. 31st) Mr. J. B. Douglass visits you to ask of you an order for an election for location Co. Seat. We do this in view of the fact that under the present mail facilities, we will not be able to get your order in time to make it legal. Very respectfully, J. R. Brown, County Judge, Callahan County Tex."

The Commissioners' Court Minutes of October 31st, '77 contain an order wherein James B. Douglass was appointed as "Special Courier" to go to Austin and get the 3rd proclamation. The first election was void because only about 18 days legal notice had been given it, and the law required 20 days. Presuming that Mr. Douglass started immediately on his mission, he likely reached the Capital about Nov. 3rd or 4th and perhaps returned to Belle Plaine about Nov. 8th after which date proper notice was given for the next election. On Dec. 4th, Belle Plaine and Callahan City were put in nomination for the "running", the former being sponsored by John D. Merchant and the latter by J. H. Tucker. And on Dec. 10th the Court accepted the proposal made to the County by Merchant-Mc Coy and Co. on Oct. 12th for leasing the "Upper Story" of their store for Court purposes, and if this occurred the next Monday after the election, the County Seat election was finally held on Dec. 8th, 1877. Of course, this is rather speculative, but the facts are substantially correct and corroborated by the Court Minutes.

I have made a careful search of all the old records for the returns of this final election, but have not been able to locate them. However, it is quite

possible that the County Seat question was legally settled, and that the County Government was enabled to function properly thereafter.

Belle Plaine is located in S. W. Quarter of Section No. 130 B. B. & C. Ry Co., State School Land, the Deed Records showing that on August 16, 1877, Nelson M. Smith filed on said land, giving his "Note No. 99 for the amount of \$216.00" in payment of same. And on October 12th, '77 the Town-site plat of Belle Plaine was filed by Jasper McCoy, it being recorded in Book A., on pages 224 & 225 and being located in the above survey No. 130. And in December Nelson M. Smith, and wife, Eliza Smith, conveyed a 3/4 interest in their title to Callahan County and to John D. Merchant, Wm. H. Parvin, and Clayborne W. Merchant. So there are many conveyances of town lots made by the above named parties, John D. Merchant acting as Commissioner or Agent for the County. It appears that Wm. H. Parvin and Judge J. E. Thomas wrote most of the deeds which were filed, Mr. Parvin being the Agent of the Commissioners' Court, and Judge Thomas serving the individual citizens there, he being the only practicing attorney in the County, when it was first organized. The location of Belle Plaine was ideal and very beautiful; there were no trees, it being a "bald prairie" a rolling, wavy plain of verdant and green pastures. Really the "Land of Milk and Honey" with a brave, ambitious, venturesome citizenry to possess it, and to make of it an enterprising, thrifty County Seat Town.

Below will be found the names of purchasers of business and residence lots in Belle Plaine Townsite during the first two and one-half years after it was established: John Carlile, James P. Flores, Jno. W. Fields, Nathan P. Price, James Hart, Charlotte F. Parvin, Rufus B. Brown, Henry H. Allen, Hezekiah K. Hutchinson, Thomas J. Austin, Lowery A. Austin, J. E. M. Hedley, Mrs. A. E. Hamilton, John W. Newman, D. Clayborne Cates, Chas. and Lula Price, L. Lloyd Riddle, W. C. Shaw and Rachael Shaw, W. D. R. McConnell, W. A. Bourland, Mortimer Smith, J. R. Brown, John McMinn, R. M. Black, Noble M. Majors, S. McDonnell, W. H. Crawford, D. McDonnell, J. G. McDonnell, J. H. Parrish, W. M. Mattox Mrs. S. A. Westmoreland, Thos. Russell, S. V. Hamilton, John D. Windham, John T. Gilliland, A. Levi, and Mary F. Levi, W. H. Parvin and Co., John F. Hart, Mrs. Sarah A. Merchant, Warren & West, Cates & Newman, McMinn & Seay, N. A. Flores, Dr. Eli Thayer, Jr., Ulrich M. Smith, E. Jackson, Rice & Hedley, Mary R. Polk, Geo. W. West, J. C. Warren, R. A. Remick, W. J. Westmoreland, John T. Moore, Asa B. Godard, Mrs. Malis sa Hart, J. D. Rust, C. W. Merchant-Parvin & Co., C. H. Rust, Ruth S. Nichols, S. R. Dunagan, Samuel L. Chalk, Rose E. Cochran, S. M. Buchanan, Wm. L. Gilliland, James Gilliland, W. T. Berry, Frank and Mrs. Jane Wheeler, R. M. Stone, A. B. Hines Wm. J. Powers, James L. Windham, Daniel W. Cowen, Louis Otto, Henrietta Otto, John W. Jones, Samuel L. Curl, Homer C. Goodrich, Benjamin Heath, Jr., Dr. Chas. R. Shepard, Zeb, R. Porter, W. L. Gilliland, J. R. Moore, N. J. Harrison, J. M. Weeks, John Skinner, T. J. Dean W. H. Riddle, N. D. and N. P. Ramsey, J. W. and Lucy C. Townsend, R. M. and Mollie Stevens, F. L. and S. H. White, Willis C. Asbury, Mrs. Margery M. Smith, R. E. and M. A. Merchant, Nehemiah Gates, Wm. J. Harris, W. L. and E. J. Henry, Mrs. W. A. Riddle, Mrs. M. J. Largen, Dr. T. J. Largen Mrs. Margaret McDonnell, Mrs. Ewelle McDonnell, F. I. and Amanda Murray, W. D. and Mrs. Alice McGee, Levi T. Cochran, Page S. Windham, Geo. W. Crutcher, H. R. Solomon, J. F. Collins, R. L. Vickery, Mrs. Caroline Schwarzenbach, L. A. Hearne, Lark Hearne, Jos. Hearne, Harry C. Merchant, L. N. Merchant, John D. Merchant, Nelson M. and Eliza J. Smith, J. E. Thomas, C. V. Purcell.

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**Mrs. Clara Bell Is With Southwestern Life Insurance Co. Again**

Mrs. Clara Bell is working again for Southwestern Life Ins. Co of Dallas Texas.

Mrs. Bell quit to help care for her father during his long illness and death, then underwent a major operation herself and has worked very little in the last two years, but plans to devote her time now to insurance and will see her friends and patrons as soon as possible.

Mrs. Bell established a good business winning several prizes, one being a set of sterling silver for being a continuous weekly producer for 1 yr. The Southwestern Life Ins. Co., is an old established company this being the 28th year, one of the most progressive Texas companies we have their motto being to build Texas, as all investments are made in Texas and all salaries and commissions paid to Texans.

Mrs. Bell has her office in Jackson Abstract building and will appreciate your business.

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**WANT ADS**

FOR SALE:— Fresh Jersey cows and heifers. See Mrs. W. T. Wheeler, Baird Texas. 1-1t

STRAYED OR STOLEN—from my slaughter pasture, one light pale Jersey bull yearling, no marks or brands. Will appreciate any information as to whereabouts. E. M. Wristen 2-1t.

FOR SALE:—Cut Flowers for all occasions. Special attention given to orders for flowers for funerals. Call Mrs. R. A. Kelton, 212LSL. 47-tf

**SWAP COLUMN**

WANT TO EXCHANGE:—One pair large blue Toulouse geese for two turkey hens, prefer the bronze. See or phone Miss Evelyn Blakley, St. Rt. 2. Phone 3 short 1 long, on line 20

A good opportunity to get into the chicken business—

FOR SALE, LEASE OR TRADE: well built poultry house, glassed in, with water, light and gas. Mrs. Kate McCleary.

The Star-Telegram daily and Sunday and the Baird Star, both papers one year for \$5.95. You save \$1.45 on this club rate. Give us your order. The Baird Star

WANT TO EXCHANGE—Thompsons strain Barded Rock Cocksrels for turkey hens. Prefer the bronze turkeys. Will exchange according to value of cocksrels and turkeys. See or phone Doyle Chrisman, line 20 long short long. Baird.

Some insects fly only once in their short lifetime, in connection with mating.

**CLUBBING RATE**

The Baird Star and Dallas Semi-Weekly News—one year for \$1.50. The Baird Star and Abilene Morning News—one year for \$4.00. The Baird Star and Fort Worth Star-Telegram—one year for \$5.95.

**HOLIDAY TRAVEL**



BUY extra gifts with the money you save doing your holiday traveling by Greyhound bus. You'll find it more convenient, too.

**LOW ROUND TRIPS**  
Ft. Worth - - - - - \$ 5.55  
Abilene - - - - - 1.00  
El Paso - - - - - 18.00  
Dallas - - - - - 6.80

**ONE WAY FARES**  
Los Angeles - - - - - \$28.50  
Kansas City - - - - - 17.15

**TERMINAL**  
Holmes Drug Co.  
Phone 11

**SOUTHLAND GREYHOUND Lines**

**DINE OUT CHRISTMAS**

We will serve special Christmas dinners to those who want to call the day their own. Why spend half the day cleaning up after dinner. Let us serve you with the most delicious foods you have ever tasted.

**QUALITY CAFE**  
ESTES & ESTES

**BE OUR GUESTS CHRISTMAS**

Don't spoil Christmas by having to stay in a stuffy kitchen half the day. Come in and visit us. You will find the best of foods and cooked to a king's flavor. We are sure you will enjoy it.

**AMERICAN CAFE**

**SAM GILLILAND**

**BETTER SHEET METAL AND PLUMBING**  
Sinks, Bath Tubs, Gas Stoves  
Electric Wiring  
BAIRD SEWER COMPANY OFFICE

ALL PATRONS OF THE BAIRD SEWER COMPANY ARE REQUESTED TO PAY THEIR SEWER BILLS AT THIS OFFICE

**USEFUL GIFTS that say "Merry Christmas"**

**Coleman LAMPS and LANTERNS**



HERE are gifts that keep alive the spirit of Christmas long after the holiday season is past. Every night... for years and years... Coleman Lamps and Lanterns add happiness to the family circle with their cheery brilliance... give good light for every task and pleasure. You couldn't select a finer, more practical gift. Coleman Lamps and Lanterns make and burn their own gas from cheapest fuel... regular untreated gasoline. They're easy to operate, clean, safe and dependable. Come in and let us show you our fine selection of newest models.

**BOWLUS & BOWLUS**  
Furniture and Hardware  
BAIRD, TEXAS

## PEACE ON EARTH GOOD WILL TOWARD MEN



At this happiest and most joyous season of the year, men's faces alight with divine radiance of friendliness. The fireside is warmer, more inviting, and more cozy.

The hearts of little children are filled with merry laughter. It is Christmas time:

Mother, Father, Brother, Sister, Sweetheart, and all that host of friends whom you hold dear, will remember you on that day and will appreciate some little token of love and appreciation from you.

We have made it our business for twenty-three years at this season to carry a stock of gifts that satisfy if its only a Christmas card, we have it, if it is a beautiful diamond ring or brooch, we have it.

Others have come and others have gone but HOLMES DRUG CO. has stayed and has served you all these years.

Before many of the young Men and Women who now trade with us were born, we were serving their fathers and mothers with the same good merchandise and the same courteous service that we hope to have an opportunity to serve you with, this Christmas.

In addition to the very low prices we are making on merchandise, we will give away a beautiful diamond Dinner Ring. (See it in our window).

We are also making it possible for you to obtain a beautiful hand tinted, metallic picture of your loved ones. Ask us about it, and see the samples on display. These are the very finest pictures that can be had and cost you so little.

After you have visited our store and bought your Christmas goods, be sure to be on hand at 5 o'clock Friday, December 24th, when we will give the diamond Ring away. Your friends,

**HOLMES DRUG COMPANY**  
PHONE 11

### ROWDEN (By MIKE and IKE)

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Culpepper and two little sons, of Dudley visited Mrs. Culpepper's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Baggett, Friday.

Miss Jaunita Halloway spent the week-end with Mrs. Tannhill at Abilene.

Mrs. W. V. Roberts, daughter, and son, Miss Stella and Mr. Burton Roberts made a trip to Abilene Saturday and Mr. Aaron Burr Elliott accompanied Mr. Roberts on their trip.

Miss Annie Mae Tabor was the Sunday guest of Misses Ruth and Christine Bower.

Rev. Royce Gilliland filled his reg-

ular appointment Sunday.

There will be preaching Sunday afternoon here at 3 o'clock by Rev. Thomas McDonald pastor of the Church of Christ at Baird.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Baggett made a trip to Abilene Saturday.

We have been having quite a bit of wet weather lately, however we are hoping it will not be too wet for Santa Claus to come fill our stockings full of nice presents.

We are wishing all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

A modern lime kiln is to be built at Big Spring.

A railroad at Quanah reports sixty per cent more business for October this year over October a year ago.

A ton of pinto beans was purchased recently by the Commissioners court of Ochiltree County for winter charity uses.

A seventy-five thousand dollar federal appropriation is being sought for housing non-commissioned officers at Fort Bliss, El Paso.

## YOUR LAST CHANCE

I want to sell all winter goods before Christmas and have put the lowest price on everything. Have gotten in new goods this week and have included these also

Brown Domestic 5c	Bleach Domestic 8 1-3 c	Outing 10c
Ticking 8c	Bed Spread 69c	Blankets 98c
Kotex 25c	Cloaks 1-2 Price	Dresses 48c

Many other things that I cannot list for want of space  
**Do Your Christmas Shopping at my Store**

**W. D. BOYDSTUN**

## THE RIGHT FROCK AT THE RIGHT TIME



Just received a quantity of Ladies Wool Knit Suits in Snappy Styles. Sizes 14 to 40. In best selling colors. Priced at

**\$5.95**

*She will appreciate one of these Suits for Christmas*

Your Christmas shopping will be easy here. Lots of new goods to select from. All merchandise well displayed and plainly marked at the lowest possible price.

**McELROY DRY GOODS CO.**

# CHRISTMAS SALE

One lot Non-Run  
BLOOMERS

24c

36 in. Hope Pongee  
PRINTS

Guaranteed, sun, tub,  
and presperation fast

19c

KOTEX

4 for

\$1.00

One lot dress

SHIRTS

65c

36 in. Guaranteed  
Fast Color Prints

12c

All Sweaters at

**BARGAIN PRICES**

One lot Ladies Ribbed  
HOSE

13c

## Gifts FOR HER

Hose  
Pajamas  
Bloomers  
Dance Sets  
Hats  
Scarfs  
Purses  
Gloves  
Coats  
Jewelry  
House Shoes  
Pictures  
Towels  
Handkerchiefs  
Pillow Case  
and Sheet Sets  
Bed Spreads

20 x 40 TOWELS

14c

Men's Fancy Dress  
HOSE

13c



ALL CHRISTMAS GOODS WILL BE ON SALE. WE HAVE A REAL SELECTION TO PICK FROM. PRESENTS FOR ALL THE FAMILY FROM BABY TO GRAND-PA.

## Gifts FOR HIM

Ties  
Hose  
Belts  
Belt Sets  
Scarfs  
Hats  
Ties  
Hats  
Caps  
Coats  
Handkerchiefs  
Pajamas  
Bath Robes  
Pants  
House Shoes  
Gloves  
Sweaters

81 in. SHEETING

24c

New lot Spring Hats  
Newest Styles

HOUSE SHOES

59c

New Spring  
DRESSES  
Just arrived, come in  
and see the new styles

One lot \$1.50 Men's  
SHIRTS

89c

All Ladies Coats at  
Bargains. Come in,  
try them on

All Ready-to-wear at  
BARGAINS

Ladies Rayon  
PAJAMAS

98c

Men's Dress  
HATS

\$2.95

All Wool Goods

**AT BARGAINS**

MEN'S SILK TIES

39c to 89c

# JONES DRY GOODS

BAIRD

(PHONE 136)

TEXAS