

MY SON DOES NOT

Plan to vote in coming elections because he keeps watch on the most sought-to-kill craft on the seas, an airplane carrier, somewhere where brown meen keep their bivouac.

He says: "When I was a citizen in the ranks of the common people, doing my bit to keep this government on even keel, I had a voice, and I exercised it."

"Now, I have taken up my stand behind the planes and their guns and their matchless boys, and have no time to devote to domestic matters at home, just as you, dad, cannot devote any time to my job."

"Both of us have a job. Just as I know you know that I am going to do my job the best I can, I know that you are going to do yours."

And, my readers that is as it ought to be. We at home are perhaps justly scolded for our "armchair strategy," and the soldier who should undertake to see civil life's necessities from the shell hole would be equally as worthy of scolding. Their positions make it impossible for them to weigh conflicting domestic issues sanely.

And 1944 elections will be almost 100 per cent domestic problems, for our army and navy, which have always been held out of politics will carry on regardless of what changes may or may not be made in the personnel of our official families.

GERALD MANN

Is my friend, and it helped my feelings wonderfully when he clarified the first impression his resignation created. He says emphatically he will not be a candidate next year for Governor, nor any other political office.

I said to Gerald, two years ago: "Gerald, you can brake the president and hold the Attorney Generalship six years; but what ever you do, drop out between heavy official responsibilities, and get the feel of private duties and responsibilities again...it will keep you from becoming an

"office seeker perpetual."

Therefore, I could be only happy that he is odng that...without, of course, every recalling that I wished it for him.

IMAGINATION RAN

Away with a West Coats editor, and he wrote the story of the birth at Bethlehem, December 25, year 1, A. D.

The story goes that the child was born in a manger; that Angles led shepherds to the humble birthplace; that wise men came bearing gifts; but that story was written years later, and I am prone to think that editors then would have been just like editors now, forgetful to walk down in the "manger" areas, and pick up stories of infant born without garments to cover, its parents wrapping it in the "swaddling" clothes; we seldom miss the "prince" born in some house of wealth or royalty!

I don't think that star shone for the eye of the world; but only the intensley spiritual, like the Angels and the wiseman, saw it.

No newspaper man heralded the birth of Abe Loncoln!

I just don't know, brother; I doubt your covering that beat then or now!

THAT TOWER OF BABEL

IS now out-babeled. Parts of the bible are found in 1,058 languages, and daughter Juanita Jo; Tommie according to the prolix President of the University of Texas.

ATTORNEY GENERAL MANN

May find himself trapped on his opinion, stated before the United Supreme Court, which says: "Courts have no control over parties."

There is a nice distinction which creeps in there. So long as the party functions, as did the Democratic party before passage of the Terrell Election Law, without the sphere of legislative enactments, the Courts had no control, because there was no law involved; but when the state undertook

to protect parties in their rights to use "staturtory provisions" in their conduct, they laid the predicate for the courts reviews from the district to the United States Supreme Court.

The remedy for the South is to repeal all of its election laws, except the general laws, which frown upon dishonesty, and manage their affairs as do other private groups, viz: the churches, the lodges, and the various civic groups.

When a party or state seeks to set up special privileges for themselves, by law, they become creatures of the State, and the State must have control over its creatures.

STAFF SERGEANT

V. M. Johnson won an important battle: he led Miss Florence Greenfield to the altar, Dec. 7th, in the Chapel of the Army Air Field, Amarillo.

Miss Greenfield's mother lives at

Shamrock, and he is a graduate of Baird High. She attended Shamrock High, Texas Tech, and George Washington University, D. C., Congratulations, young people.

IT WAS THE JUDGE'S

Mistake in naming me Chairman of the Publicity for the January Bond Sale Drive. I'm too new; Jack, or E. F., or J. S. should have been named; but, it may be that it can't do harm, knowing that the other three boys are going to do their bit and carry me comradly, too.

Thanks, felows.

BOYS IN SERVICE—

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Gibson received a telegram Sunday night from their son, Gynn R. Gibbons— G. M. 3-c, U. S. N. R.

He was well and doing fine. Had been at sea for several days, and hadn't been able to write so often.

PERSONALS

S. S. Harville of Oplin, was in Baird Tuesday and called at The Star office to renew his subscription.

Al Young ranching on the Bayou was in Tuesday and renewed his subscription, also that of his brother Jack Young of Dallas.

Jim Cornell of Denton in company with E. B. Mullican visited The Star office Tuesday. Mr. Mullican called to renew his subscription.

Mrs. E. H. Kehrer of Big Spring is here to spend the Christmas holidays with her mother, Mrs. E. H. Kehrer and her brother, Silas Dunlap at Belle Plain. Mrs. Dunlap called at The Star office to renew her subscription.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Mrs. Olan Cannel left the hospital Friday after undergoing major surgery some ten days ago.

Mrs. Tot's Wristen entered the hospital Thursday as a medical patient.

Virginia Ann, baby daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Corn, came to hospital Friday with pneumonia.

Leona Durham left the hospital Thursday after a medical check-up.

Mr. Bill Paulson entered hospital Monday suffering from pneumonia. Mrs. O. E. Kendrick of Clyde, is a medical patient.

Mrs. M. D. McElroy entered hospital Sunday suffering from pneumonia.

Mrs. Frank Carpenter of Eula, entered hospital Monday suffering with pneumonia and nervous disorder.

Mike Hughes, Sr., 85, years old fell and broke his shoulder. He entered hospital Wednesday morning.

Mr. J. Mc Gaughlin retired rail road conductor for the T and P is still in a critical condition suffering from heart trouble.

Ev Hughes is doing fine and will be going home in two or three days.

Grandma McGee who entered the hospital several days ago with a broken shoulder is improving.



BLEAK DECEMBER!
'Tis passing strange that this month which furnishes the least light out of doors, should furnish the most light within. It's the Spirit of Christmas, and the Merriest of Christmases to you!

LITTLE ONION CAFE

BAIRD, TEXAS



More than a half a century ago Robert Barry Coffin wrote:

"I have ships that went to sea
"More than fifty years ago;
"None have yet come back to me,
"But keep sailing to and fro."

We don't want that to happen to you, kind friend. This year A.D. 1944 is the year we want your ship to come in.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

HOME TELEPHONE AND ELECTRIC COMPANY

BAIRD, TEXAS



"OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE"

sums up, in two words, the achievements of our armed forces. We, too, strive for outstanding performance in every item of service. We thank you most cordially for your good will and patronage and wish you the Season's Greetings.

★ It's just about time for that perennial paratrooper, Santa Claus, to start his friendly invasion. We just want to say we hope he makes a happy landing, right in your home, bringing you more Christmas cheer than you've ever had before.

HOLMES DRUG COMPANY

BAIRD, TEXAS

ATTENTION!

Where Will You Be At 11:30 p. m. New Years Eve?

Why not attend our Gala NEW YEARS EVE Midnite Show, Friday, December 31st. 11:30 p. m.

You'll see an Entirely New Programme at this great midnite show.

Moonlight In Havana—with Marjorie Lord Don Terry-William Frawley! Grace and Nicco Horton, dance group and the Jivin' Jacks and Jills; Also Short Subjects:

There will be Given Away From the Stage at This Show One Basket Groceries; One Bottle of Cologne to the Lucky Lady; One Box of Cigars to the Lucky Gent; and Several Other Articles—Courtesy of the Merchants of Baird.

So COME EARLY and Join the fun: WE PROMISE YOU A GREAT SHOW—Barrels of Fun—and a HAPPY JOYOUS NEW YEAR.

THE TIME 11:30 p. m. THE PLACE—YOUR PLAZA THEATRE, BAIRD, TEXAS.

... The Date—New Years Eve, Dec. 31st.



★ The first Union Flag of 13 stripes was unfurled by George Washington on New Year's Day, 1776. This is another good reason for rejoicing at this time, for Old Glory is a symbol of freedom wherever it waves.

So, Happiest New Year to you, and God bless you, one and all!



A. AND P. TEA COMPANY

BAIRD, TEXAS



OD BLESS YOU, merry gentlemen, let's get the Yule log burning. Bring on the viands and let the joy be unconfined, for Christmas comes but once a year.

At this holiday time, as in the past, we are mindful of our indebtedness to you for your generous patronage, and pledge once more our determination to be still more deserving of your friendship.

ROCKHOUSE ROOMING HOUSE

MRS. C. J. REDWINE, Prop.

WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

Sitting in the Methodist pew Sunday morning, the Sunday School record kept striking its tongue out at me; and these figures stuck:
 Attendance last Sunday, 92; this Sunday, 102!
 Contributions last Sunday, \$26.25; this Sunday, \$10.16.
 It was our first Sunday! Don't hurl bricks at me too quickly—I might not have been the Jonah aboard

ship!

But, an excellent choir and meaty sermon did a lot to make up for the difference.

THE PRESBYTERIAN LADIES

Met in the home of Mrs. E. C. Fulton, Monday at 4:00 p. m.
 Mrs. E. B. Mullican and Mrs. Lee Estes were co-hostesses.
 Mrs. Virgil Hughes led in prayer

following "Joy to The World". Devotional was led by Mrs. James Asbury. Mrs. Alexander gave a Christmas story, and Mrs. N. M. George led the closing prayer. Mrs. Eastham, President, announced gifts for the Pastor would be sent to Mrs. R. L. Alexander's home.

Social hour closed the meeting, during which Christmas carols were sung and gifts were exchanged, around a Christmas tree. Members of the Trojan class were present, and presented Miss Edmunson with a gift. Refreshments were served to 28 members and guests.

THERE FOREGATHERS

So I am told, each Sunday morning, a dozen or two men of the Methodist Church, in the basement of the church, in an unusual Sunday School effort: a leader but no teacher! It is the round-table approach to the lesson, with the men holding up to the class each's opinion and interpretation of the lesson.
 Am thinking seriously of going back.

HI, AUNT MARY:

I thought the Star's age was something to brag about, but here you come along to the old desk (new to me) carrying Vol. 67, No. 26—which makes you ten and a half years older than us.

While you are spraying the newspaper heavens with Star Dust, may I pick up a few of the "fallen" stars, and humbly try to "fix" them in the firmament?

Thank you, Mary!

THANK GOODNESS

I can't live on the wrong side of the tracks here: there is only one side! Step beyond the lines of cars usually massed off the division—point sidings here, south, and you find the ranch in its same pristine garb it wore when the First T. P. train came screeching into Baird.
 That ties us to the strength of

the past; mellows our outlook, and makes us know that man is still willing to work with God in maintaining himself and fellows.

THANK GOD, I HAVEN'T

Complained at any boy for going, volunteering, or not going, not volunteering for services with the armed forces of the world

I have been too busy wondering what my record will be when it is over!

I never question another's citizenship, his loyalty, his devotion, his attitude. Underneath the forbidden habiliments of the fellow may be a praying, yearning heart to do his bit.

I have found that those busy checking up on others' forget something very fine in themselves—the will and the power to give 100 per cent of their whole being to what they think is their place in this terrible holocaust.

caust.

INFLUENZA

Says Dr. Adams, is demonstrably based upon extreme nervous reactions, and when you find a whole nation taxed beyond human endurance (in nervous strains), as now and during other world war, colds, grippe, influenza, children of the same progenitors, thrive.

Therefore, continues the chiney-corner non-medic, you can save the practicing medicos many unnecessary trips, if you will, on first symptoms, go to bed, keep even temperature, take laxatives making sure that your bowels move normally, grab the trashiest non-mental-demanding book you can get, read them and forget the war, your private business, become the hibernated bear without a care in the world, and you will have done more to escape the dangers of these attacks than all doctors could do for you.

We queried, "Doc, you gonna do that?" And he smiled: "Men don't take advice; not even their own."

YOU MISS

Lots of fellows, if you track the same trail back to the same table, day in and day out.

It is first a soldier leaving after a visit with his sweetheart; then it is one making it through; then over the cup of coffee you find that the boy in uniform is in pain—his car crashed the night before, and he is seeking a way out...we offer help, we suggest a story; he hesitates, and says, "It might indicate that I was out of bounds...you see?"

And I did! Again we had to be judge of "what is news for the Star," and we agreed with the boy caught up in this terrible thing cursing the world, war.

And tears across the counter: Mrs. Barney Stockton had letter from her husband, reporting him awaiting operation in San Diego base hospital.



The approaching holiday season makes us appreciate more than ever before the priceless value of our friends and customers, like yourself. It reminds us, too, of the sacrifices being made by many of our friends now in the service of Uncle Sam. To you, and to all these go our thanks for your patronage in 1943, and our wishes for a joyous holiday.

ASHLOCK INSURANCE AGENCY

BAIRD, TEXAS

MERRY CHRISTMAS!



JOYOUS HOLIDAY

LIGHTS ON THE FIR TREE,
 SNOW ON THE WINDOW
 LEDGE... THE JOYOUS
 FACES OF CHILDREN...

CHRISTMAS

... MAY IT BE A VERY
 HAPPY ONE FOR YOU

**Hays
 Service Station**
 BAIRD, TEXAS



War or peace, a brave new world is in the making—a world in which better opportunities will be had for all. The Spirit of Progress is on the march, and we may all look hopefully to the future. At this time it is fitting that we count our many friends and recall the happy relationships of 1943. We wish all of you the choicest blessings that Christmastime can bestow.

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McELROY'S

BAIRD, TEXAS



JUST as surely as there'll always be little boys and girls, and big boys and girls, too (especially around Christmastime), that surely there will always be a Christmas. Our wish for you is that this Christmas season of 1943 be the most memorable you have ever known.

ON THE THRESHOLD OF 1944 IT MAY BE APPROPRIATE TO ENVISION A BETTER WORLD... "A WORLD WHICH SHALL AFFORD TO ALL NATIONS THE MEANS OF DWELLING IN SAFETY WITHIN THEIR BOUNDARIES, AND WHICH WILL AFFORD ASSURANCE THAT ALL MEN IN ALL LANDS MAY LIVE OUT THEIR LIVES IN FREEDOM FROM FEAR AND WANT." MAY GOD SPEED THAT DAY, WE PRAY, AS WE SEND YOU OUR NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS.

C. W. SUTPHEN, OCTANE PRODUCTS

BAIRD, TEXAS

holiday greetings*



Season's Greetings...

If we have our way about it St. Nicholas is going to make an extra long stop at your home. No one needs to point out to us what your loyalty has meant to us during 1943. All we can say is Thank you, and Merry Christmas.

NORVELL-BOYD GROCERIES

BAIRD, TEXAS



As you tie up your Christmas packages think of us. We'll be thinking of you... thinking of how good you've been to us in 1943 and of what a pleasure it has been to serve you. And we'll be wishing you a very Merry Christmas.

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William's Cleaners

BAIRD, TEXAS



★ White Christmas or Green Christmas is a matter of both geography and of meteorology. But Merry Christmas is an affair of the heart. And that's the kind of a Christmas we are now wishing for you and yours as 1943 draws to a close.

City Cafe

BAIRD, TEXAS

The Baird Star

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S. W. ADAMS, Owner and Publisher

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**THE ABILENE
REPORTER SAYS:**

Today those who tout General MacArthur as a GOP standard bearer ignore one rather obvious fact: that his services are needed where he is, and he should not be distracted from the business in hand. They are interested only in his vote getting potentialities, here as most of us are interested in his ability to kill Japs in large numbers. They are hopeful that he can save their party at the polls; the mass of people pin their faith and hope on him to render unto the Jap that hich the Jap so richly deserves—extinction. It is an odd quirk of circumstances that most of the ballyhoo for MacArthur comes from the Amerberica First and isolationist camp, a circumstance that must be acutely embarrassing to the man who saw trouble coming years ago, who moved heaven and earth to prepare for it, and who has fought valiantly and effectively to stem the Jap tide of conquest.

"A great many Americans would rather see Douglas MacArthur parade through Manila at the head of conquering American and Filipino troops than riding down Pennsylvania avenue in a presidential parade. They have a cinch on the former, not much of a chance on the latter."

Hello, Max, you old hosstheif from Houston. Thought age might weaken that incisive reasoner you carry in your wooden head; but that editorial indicates the West has kept the brain fibers working smoothly. Come over to see us—S. W. Adams, public worrier with the Baird Star—its Star reporter!

TEXAS MAY BECOME

Focal point for the rallying of a return-to-the-democracy-of-our-fathers.

It's governor was measuring up to every requirement of a leader in that return, so the reporters of Houston, who, a few days ago, quoted him as saying that he would accept nomination for Vice-President on a ticket with Mr. Roosevelt, did him and the cause of this return great injury.

Governor Stevenson has been my personal friend for many years, and I know that that would be the last thing that he would want to do. He must have tried to reply faceously in the language of Henry Clay who said "No man can afford to refuse such a signal honor at the hands of his friends."

Governor Stevenson rings true to all of the traditions of Texas, its wide-open spaces, and the South; and he is among the forward-looking conservatives.

We hope he may clarify that press report.

YUM, YUM, Y-U-U-M-M-M!

If it were not plain unsightly I would begin right now to lick my chops, anticipating all those good things coming to us just as soon as our good farmer friends come to know us.

Our salivary activities were greatly stimulated by the following, lifted from the Clyde Enterprise.

Two weeks ago I told a gloomy story in this column—The Hardships of a Country Editor. This week I have a diferent story to tell. One day last week a prominent Clyde farmer came in and wanted to trade fresh backbone for a year's subscription to the Enterprise. The deal was closed immediately, and from the amount of backbone delivered, I feel like the editor and the Missus received the better part of the bargain.

The next day some good friends out Oplin way sent in a box filled with a generous supply of backbone, spare-ribs, sausage and side meat. The editor and Missus were made happy to realize again that they were remembered by friends in a substantial way. But there is still more to my story. The very next morning before breakfast, as good a neighbor as anyone ever had, brought over a nice roast of venison, bless her heart. Adding all of these together reminds me again that "Every cloud has a silver lining."
(—and the stomach can be filled—
Star Ed.)

CARTER SMITH

Of Rockwall, brother of Sam I. Smith, died last Wednesday, and was buried there. Mrs. Sam I. Smith attended the funeral from Baird. Mr. Smith had visited here often, and many friends in Baird will regret to hear that he has passed away.

BEAT THEM HOFERS!

Folks, just 29 years, 8 months, five days, 13 hours, 22 minutes and 16 seconds ago, I stuck my feet under a newspaper desk, and began to "bile" out copy for a country weekly; and, believe it or not, Hoffer & Sons, Portland, Oregon, laid on my desk in Port Lavaca, Texas, several newsprint sheets, 8.5 by 14 inches, neatly multigraphed with the best tasting editorials one could want and I was too dumb or pig-headed or something to use them.

But, would you believe me? That didn't phase them. They just kept right on sending them, and wherever I turned up in my geographical exploration, using paper offices as outposts, there turned up the Hofers; and one of the first letters to reach me here was the Hofer's with such attractive themes as "Home Sweet Home," Government and Industry Can Co-operate," "Nothing to Brag About" and so on; but I'll be switched if I'm going to print them! Nowsuh!

THERE CAME

Tuesday morning a Christmas Greeting which pleased me more than one is entitled to be pleased: it was a message from Miss Ollie E. Clark, Albany, Texas.

In the same bold, unwavering, beautiful hand, her pen indited the following message:

"Dear Mr. and Mrs. Adams: As you can see from the enclosed card, I had written you at Tyler, and just as it came back I was informed that you are now the Editor of the Baird Star.

"Welcome back to West Texas. There is no grander place on earth. It may be too dry at times; it may have too many winds, and it may not have the fine crops of "garden truck," but, after all, it will give you the benefit of the wide-open spaces, and the Spirit of the West.

"Be sure to call on my old friend, Judge B. L. Russell, Sr. He has been one of my main allies in the ten years fight we have waged to get U. S. Highway 183 completed. You will be the first to benefit by it.

"Best wishes to all of you."

"Signed, Ollie E. Clark."

That message bridges the thirty-odd years gap which slipped in between my first meeting Miss Clarke, as my High School Principal at Spur, Texas, back in 1911-1912.

Remember, Miss Clarke: "Makes no difference if he is a hound,

You gotta quit kicking my dawg around?"

After the strenuous holidays, if you don't come down in that limousine of yours, Mrs. Adams and I may just hitchike up to Albany—we must talk over those and intervening years. She is in Austin, where I join her Xmas.

ALL CARPENTERS

Don't butcher lumber—there are some butchering the paper business; putting out nice juicy reams of excellent paper.

That looks like it ought to satisfy an ordinary mortal, but not the Carpenters—they sit down and laborously (I imagine), tongue in cheek, write "fillers", "squibs", and "Lingagstretchers" for us spollers of white paper.

Sample? Well a Squib says, "A man who starts out to show the wife who's boss, often learns soon enough."

Fillers says, "Over the telephone, your voice will travel around the world in less than one-third second," and I had been wondering how the man in next town could speak up so quick.

**SATURDAY ON
SUBSCRIPTION WAY.**

Mrs. Frank Burt's \$2.00 reached us from Pasadena, Calif.

Mrs. D. L. Blair's from Los Angeles.

Mrs. R. L. Elliott, Mrs. Essie Smith, Mrs. Mammie Johnson, of Oplin, (and for each of two sons), Mrs. Joe McGowen, Baird, J. R. Breeding, Oplin, and W. O. Maltby, Baird, left their Star money.

The paper went to W. J. Dawkins of San Angelo; and the following took the Star and Reporter (Abilene): Essie Smith, Mrs. H. J. Gibbs, and Archie Nichols.

Nice Saturday, thank you.

TWO SONS IN

The service is Mrs. Fay Alexander's lot: one John C. Alexander at Camp Ellis, Illinois, and the other James Marshall, at San Diego, Calif. She renewed the Star for another year.

Mrs. Minnie Johnson came in and paid up for one year, and had the paper sent to Corporal Eldon M. Johnson, in England, and Frank ... with the forces of the United States.

THE OCTANE PLANT

Is impressive from the highway, but when you reach the shadows of its smoke stacks, you find that it is a really important plant; and then we find its personnel have domicile in Baird, it makes us feel that maybe we have a right to call it "Our Refinery."

FALLACIES ON INFLATION

Keep pace with inflation, and no one seems to be willing to face the realities of it. It is discouraging. The whole effort is comparable to the sanitary commission that cyphones poluted waters out of the system at one point, only to return it to the system at another.

Inflation simply means too much money in the whole country...not too much in certain pockets. The cry that we must buy war bonds and not consume goods if we would avoid inflation, is ridiculous; because the money you check over to Uncle Sam flows right back into your own or others' pockets.

The cry that "subsidies" is the cure for inflation, is equally as absurd; because the price is that price the seller gets for the consumer goods, regardless of who pays for them. When Uncle Sam pays part of it...it is your money, and to pay it directly to the seller by you would be no different from its being paid by you and the government; except, when your money is routed out of your pocket via the U. S. Treasury, to the sellers' pockets, there is a heavy most taken out of it to pay expenses of the Government's actions in collecting your money, accounting for it, and then paying it to your merchant for you.

Nothing will cure inflation but the draining off "permanently" of the excess money which has crept in; then refuse to put more new money into the money supply of the nation.

Mr. Holly came in and subscribed for the Star to go to W. J. Dawkins, Route 2, San Angelo.



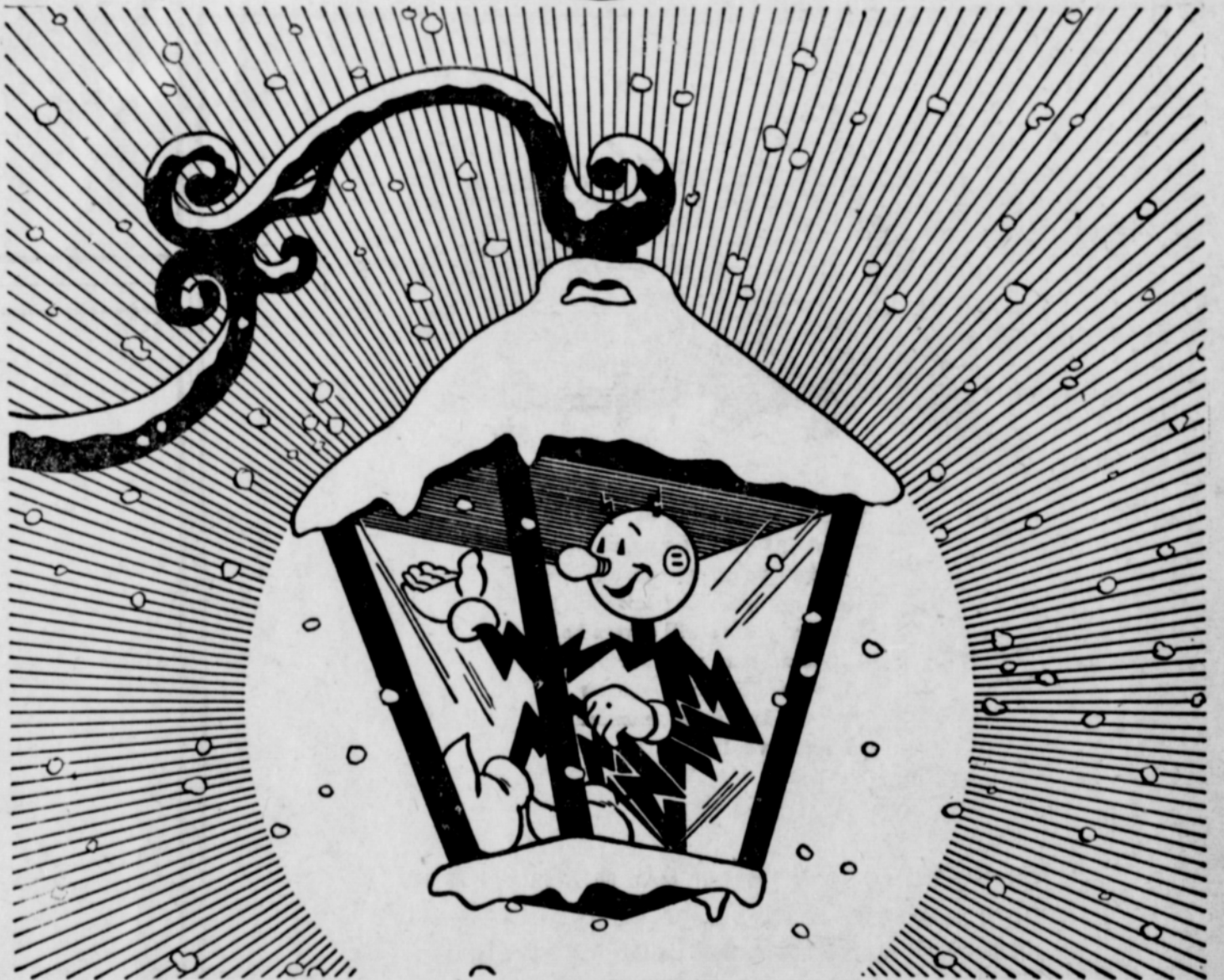
AS one hands down a good name, Christmas each year hands down its traditions, and all are good. It has been a tradition here to regard the good will of our customers as our most precious asset. In this holiday season of 1943 we extend to you, not as a customer alone, but as a friend, our very best wishes for a . . . Merry Christmas.

We love this town and its environs. We have grown up here and have come to regard ourselves as "a fixture." We have a great many friends, "but not a friend to spare," and at this time we want to thank them, one and all.

YES, CHRISTMAS COMES BUT ONCE A YEAR, SO IT BEHOOVES US ALL TO MAKE THE VERY MOST OF IT. ON THE EVE OF THIS JOYOUS SEASON WE TAKE GREAT PLEASURE IN WISHING ALL OUR FRIENDS THE FULLEST MEASURE OF CHRISTMAS JOY AND HAPPINESS.

CITY PHARMACY

BAIRD, TEXAS



*A Very Merry Christmas
and a Happy New Year!*

—REDDY KILOWATT.

Every one of the myriad of bright lights that still burn in this Country at Christmas is a greeting from me, your electric servant, Reddy Kilowatt; and that greeting is MERRY CHRISTMAS. May it be an American Christmas with lights, happiness and good will for all.

We of YOUR Electric Service Company will be on the job Christmas Day . . . to make sure that your Christmas lights burn brightly, and to continue to furnish industry and agriculture the electric energy necessary for production for victory. . . . This is our contribution to a happy Christmas Day the American Way.

—REDDY KILOWATT.



**West Texas Utilities
Company**



Our entire business has been built upon friendship. We look upon all our customers as our friends, and are determined to give them the friendliest service possible. It is our aim to wrap up a little friendliness in each transaction.



Thanks, friends, one and all, for the privilege of serving you. And we want to say right now, as fervently as we can say it . . .

HAPPY NEW YEAR

RAY MOTOR COMPANY
BAIRD, TEXAS

SHERIFF'S SALE

The State of Texas, County of Callahan.
By Virture Of An Order Of Sale issued by order of a judgment decree of the 42nd District Court of Callahan County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court, on the 19 day of November A. D., 1943, in a certain suit No. 106, wherein the State of Texas, for itself, and in behalf of Callahan County, and for the use and benefit of all political subdivisions whose taxes are assessed and collected by the Tax Assessor and Collector of said County, as Plaintiff and the City of Baird, a municipal corporation, as Intervener, and M. L. Vaughn as Defendant in favor of the said Plaintiff, for the sum of Four hundred forty and 25-100 (\$440.25) Dollars, together with interest thereon at the rate of 6% per annum from November 19, 1943, and in favor of said Intervener, for the sum of Two hundred twenty-five and 14-100 (\$225.14) Dollars, together with interest thereon at the rate of 6% per annum from November 19, 1943, for delinquent state and county ad valorem, and city taxes together with the legal and total amount of penalties, interest, and costs of suit computed thereon, and the foreclosure of Plaintiff's delinquent tax liens upon the property hereinafter described as the property of the defendant because of the non-payment of the taxes due thereon, within the time and in the manner provided for by law, same being the amounts of said judgment rendered in favor of said Plaintiff, State of Texas, for itself, and in the capacity herein set out and said Intervener, City of Baird, by the said 42nd District Court of Callahan County, on the 19 day of November, A. D. 1943, and to me directed and delivered as sheriff of said Callahan County, I have seized levied upon, and will, on the first Tuesday in January A. D. 1944, the same being the 4th day of said month, at the Court House door of said Callahan County, in the City of Baird between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M., and 4 o'clock P.M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder, all the right, title and interest of said defendant in and to the following described real estate, levied upon as the property of said defendant, the same lying and being situated

in the County of Callahan, and State of Texas, and within the metes and bounds and territorial limits of said City of Baird, to-wit:
FIRST TRACT:
Being Lots 9, 10, and 11, Block 8, Railroad Addition to the town of Baird, Callahan County Texas, and being the same property described in a deed recorded in Volume 153, page 549, Deed Records of Callahan County, Texas dated September 14, 1937, to which reference is here made for any and all purposes. That the above described lots were rendered as one tract of land by the said Defendant.
SECOND TRACT:
Being the South 1-3 of Lot 2, and all of Lot 3, Block 67, Railroad Addition to the Town of Baird, Callahan County, Texas, and being the same property described in a deed

to M. L. Vaughn from Moline Vaughn dated September 14, 1937, and recorded in Volume 153, page 549, Deed Records of Callahan County, Texas, to which reference is here made for any and all purposes. Subject, however to the rights of the Defendant, his heirs, assigns, or legal representatives, to redeem said property within the time and in the manner provided for by law; subject to the further rights of the Defendant to have said property divided and sold in loss divisions than the whole and entire tract, as also provided for by law; and in the event there are no bidders, said property will at said sale be bid off to the said State of Texas, for itself, and in the capacity herein set out, and in trust for the City of Baird.
B. O. Brame,
Sheriff, Callahan County, Texas.



Yuletide draws people closer together, helps us all towards quiet friendliness and group enjoyment of days like Christmas.

A most proper time for us to express our sincere appreciation for your friendship, and to wish for you an abundance of Christmas joy.

DOROTHY WILKERSON
COUNTY HOME DEMONSTRATION AGENT

W. M. MEADOR
COUNTY AGENT



* Another year, another page . . . time to renew old friendships and that resolution which we make each year—to serve our customers still better than the year before

NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS TO EVERYBODY
HAVE A GOOD TIME AND DROP IN TO SEE US
REMEMBER, YOU ARE ALWAYS VERY WELCOME HERE



RUSSELL SURLES ABSTRACT CO.
BAIRD, TEXAS



"At Christmas play and make good cheer
For Christmas comes but once a year"

★ ★ ★

GLITTERING more fantastically than the jewels of Aladdin's cave are the Christmas trees in the windows of this town and adjoining farm areas. Everywhere, everywhere Christmas, and the spirit which Christmas brings.

ON THE THRESHOLD OF 1944 IT MAY BE APPROPRIATE TO ENVISION A BETTER WORLD . . . "A WORLD WHICH SHALL AFFORD TO ALL NATIONS THE MEANS OF DWELLING IN SAFETY WITHIN THEIR BOUNDARIES, AND WHICH WILL AFFORD ASSURANCE THAT ALL MEN IN ALL LANDS MAY LIVE OUT THEIR LIVES IN FREEDOM FROM FEAR AND WANT." MAY GOD SPEED THAT DAY, WE PRAY, AS WE SEND YOU OUR NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS.

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OFFICIALS OF CALLAHAN COUNTY

B. H. Freeland, County Judge
B. O. Brame, Sheriff
Leslie Bryant, County Clerk
Mrs. Will McCoy, County Treasurer

Mrs. T. W. Briscoe, Tax Assessor-Col.
F. E. Mitchell, County Attorney
B. C. Chrisman, County Supt.
Raymond Young, District Clerk

GOSH, THERE'S

Lots to say. Somebody over at the County Agent's office grabbed a typewriter and wrote an excellent article on "grubs", and only space forbids its entire reproduction. So we are going to just "tech" it lightly.

Heel flies parents grubs; grub injure cattle: so get the heel fly.

To do that, several things are mentioned: Wash, or dust cattle with Derris; equal parts wettable sulphur and deris; scrub animals back vigorously (may be not the Brahman bull) with a stiff brush as you sprinkle dope on;

Or a dipping vat or power spray may be used.

I would advise you to get a phanlet from the county agent, and follow it carefully.

CARRELL CALVIN

Williams was born 16 years ago, October 6, 1927, at Denton, Callahan county. He passed away at Hendrick Memorial Hospital in Abilene, at 1:05 a. m., Dec. 8, 1943, of injuries received in a car wreck.

He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Williams of the Denton community. He attended Denton High School and would have been graduated at the end of this term.

Calvin had never united with the Church, but had placed his faith in Jesus at an early age.

Besides his parents, he is survived by three brothers: Corporal Olin E. Williams of Oklahoma City; Seaman 1st Class Dalton W. Williams of Miami, Fla., his paternal grandmother, Mrs. S. E. Springer of Clyde.

He was the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. W.R. Lofton, a pioneer Callahan couple.

We wish to expres our sincere thanks to all for their kindness and sympathy in the death of our beloved son and brother, Calvin. Also, to thank every one for the beautiful

floral tokens. Your kindness and words of sympathy make our burden of sorrow easier to bear, and will be cherished always.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Williams, and family.
G. F. Lofton, and family
W. B. Lofton, Mrs. Ollie Lofton and Mrs. S. E. Springer.

THE EASTERN STARS

Banqueted their District Grand Deputy, Mrs. Laura Brewer, December 14; at the T. P. Lunch Room, after she had paid her official call upon the Chapter.

It was as usual an affair pleasingly commemorative of the Stars' activities.

SYBIL ANN ELDER

Of Barcelona, Venezuela, who is attending school at Gulf Park College Gulfport, Miss., is spending the Hol-

days with her Grandmother, Mrs. Cora Work and family.

SAD ANXIOUS DAYS

Come to Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Brashear and family. Their son, Lieut. Beal Brashear with the fighting forces on the Pacific, is in a Vancouver hospital to have surgery done on his shoulder to correct an injury sustained while in training for a pilot. New muscle must be grafted, and this means long weeks in hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Brashear drove to Memphis Sunday, and put Lieut. Brashear's wife aboard train for his bedside, and left the little one with a sister there.

THANKS.

Mr. Telephone, for the early installation of the Phone; and, gosh, what a fine thing that was to give me the OLD Star Number—No. 8;

n-u-m-b-e-r e-i-g-h-t!

You folks don't forget now; when you have visitors, you go somewhere (I mean s-o-m-e-w-h-e-r-e) just Call No. 8, and we will jot the news down; if old Betsy presents you with 11 pigs, that is even better news than your going to Abilene—in fact, if you don't quit going to Abilene, that old bad-man's gonna get you—trade at home!

And, you business men. When you have just an impresion that you ought to have some printing done, grab the phone and call us over: that is the grease that makes community agon, well-loaded roll noislessly.

You are just as close to The Baird Star office as your telephone. Visit with us without trouble of driving to the office.

SWEETER WORDS

Never an editor read than: "Dec. 20, 1943. I like your first issue of the Baird Star, Mr. Adams.

Keep the Star coming. Yours Truly, I. N. Walls, Route 2, Clyde, Texas." And we shall, Mr. Walls. Thank you.

SAM I SMITH

We are told by Mrs. Smith, is improving nicely at the County Hospital, where he has been suffering from a broken leg since Sunday, December 12. He fell in the house, breaking the leg.

PFC. WILLIAM (BILL)

Bennett, who with two other men from Coleman county, as missing in action, is a cousin of Mrs. J. S. Nixon of Sweetwater. Bill is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bennett.

They have been since notified that he is a German prinoner. He was a member of Company "C", 142nd. Inf, 36th Division, Fifth Army. Bill lived here with his family, later moving to Coleman.



THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS, dominating the world stage, once more has incredibly rolled aside the clouds of war. There is still beauty in common things, still good in the world, and we are all grateful for the glowing interval of Yuletide. As for ourselves, we are also grateful for your loyalty to us during 1943, and extend the season's best wishes to all.

GRAY'S STYLE SHOP
BAIRD, TEXAS



WE can hardly wish you 366 **SUNNY** days during 1944, but we can and do wish you 366 **HAPPY** days. We hope that the coming year brings you more true happiness, true friendships, and more opportunities than any year that has gone before.

BRASHEAR'S GROCERY STORE
BAIRD, TEXAS



Christmas Cheer

★ Uncle Sam is to be congratulated, for he has done and is doing a magnificent job. This is, indeed, occasion for Christmas cheer.

Our compliments to you, friends, our thanks, and our most hearty wishes for an enjoyable and truly happy 1943 Christmas season.

Mayfield's
BAIRD, TEXAS



One hundred and twenty years ago Clement Clarke Moore's jolly poem, "A Visit from St. Nicholas," first appeared. Each year since then it has contributed to the joy of Christmas. We want to say that if we were able to gather up all this joy and wrap it up in one big package it would hardly represent our wishes for your Christmas happiness this season of 1943.

Wylie Funeral Home



Holiday Cheer

It's about time for us to wake up and thank our many friends and customers for their valued patronage during 1943. We cannot tell you how much we appreciate your kindness. May your Christmas be very, very happy.

Mr. and Mrs. Madison Montgomery and William
BAIRD, TEXAS



GENTLE WORDS, OPEN HEARTS, WILLING HANDS, SOFT MUSIC, FRIENDSHIP, LOVE...THIS IS CHRISTMAS! MAY IT BRING YOU HAPPINESS AND JOY BEYOND EXPRESSION...

Home Lumber Co.
BAIRD, TEXAS



SPONGE OFF THE SLATE... LET'S START A SPOTLESS PAGE

PYTHAGORAS, when asked what time was, replied that it was the soul of the world. And so it is. Time--precious, priceless--is the span during which we build up enduring friendship, and in our business friendship counts for a great deal. We thank you cordially for yours.

May the sands of the hour glass, draining away during 1944, bring to you many golden hours of happiness and joy.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BAIRD
BAIRD, TEXAS

WASTE PAPER MUST

Be collected to meet the grave paper shortage. Mrs. Ace Hickman, local chairman, urges every person to tie every scrap of waste paper into bundles, and that persons will call for these bundles.

This drive must be accomplished immediately. Private business, government departments must have millions of tons, and it is up to the American people to get this enormous demand. Be careful, keep in separate, newspapers, magazines, brown corrugated boxes (knocked down and bundle) and rest in miscellaneous bundles.

The paper must be thoroughly dry and securely tied. Do this, and help meet this demand

JUNIOR WEDNESDAY CLUB

Assisted by the ladies of Baird, prepared 65 boxes for the boys at Camp Barkeley who "might" be over-

looked by Santa. These were taken to Abilene Tuesday, and turned over to the Chaplains there, who will have a Christmas Tree for these boys. The Juniors' had their Christmas tree last week at the Home of Mrs. Louis Marion Watson.

WE HAVE NO

Column that stands out "ourn." Every column in The Baird Star is mine, carrying with it the responsibility of guarding and filling with opinions, impressions, facts, stories, which I sincerely believe will harm no living human being.

You will find my opinions, like the chaff in the wheat, mixed through every column; and it is thrown in that the kernels of news may stand out the more beautifully as you read it.

If you fail to read the remotest little corner of the paper you may

miss the very quintessence of it...there is not a mean nor a shallow spot in it...every spot is dripping with the common touch, and over it all we hope to keep the protecting canopies of intelligence and integrity.

Alone I would make a mess of the Star; with your co-operation, nothing I could do would make it a mess; thank goodness.

FOLLOWING NEW BOOKS

- Have arrived at the Library:
 - Late and Soon—Delafield Texas, The Land of The Tejas —Johnson.
 - I Give You Texas—Boyce House None But The Lonely Heart, —Luellyn.
 - But You'll Be Back—Steedman Pennhallow—Booth Targington So Little Time—Marquand Thunderhead—O'Hara Hillbilly Doctor—Seifert Thus Dr. Mallory—Seifert Surgeon in Charge—Seifert Professional Lover—Greig Love, Honor and Obey—Greig When Women Love—Delafield Not Just to Remember—Clover Yesterday's Daughter—Lambert Man Slaughter—Meller Never Another Moon—Miller Silver Spoon—Kelland Astra—Hill Mysterious Affairs at Syles, —Christie.
 - Gunsmoke Trail—Mann My Gun is My Law—Ermine

The Flaming Forest—Curwood The Library Board acknowledge the gift of a number of books from Billy Bob and Stan Johnson, and from Mrs. W. L. Neal. Librarian.

The following boys registered in November 1943. The law requiring boys as they reach their 18th birthday to register:

- Marvin Paul Rister
- Thomas Rondal Young
- Wesley Turner Richardson
- James Wilford Maness
- Raymond Chester Tennison
- Clarence Oen Smedley
- Eldon Billie Bowen
- Gerald Dugan
- William Travis Henry
- Everett Neil Strahan
- Eryle Claude Ferguson.

The following men from Callahan County have been received into the various branches of the Armed Forces:

- Marines:
 - James Foy Tarver
 - Melvin Poindexter
 - William Gerald Cutbirth
- Coast Guard:
 - John Herman Abel
 - William Cummings.
- Navy:
 - Vollie Victor Monsey
 - Finish Ewing Neel
 - Barney D. Stockton
 - Archie Zedock Martin

- Adrian Hernandez
 - Alex Bowers Shocklee
 - Murrell H. Medley
 - Clarence George Hodges
 - Clyde Reynolds Eager
 - Marion Monroe Sprouse
 - Frank Robinson
 - Robert Joseph Armstrong
 - James Orval Taylor
 - Walter Clarence Lane
 - Oscar Wilson Jones
 - Marvin Chester Weed
 - Harvey Clayton McKinley
 - William Gordon Bell.
- Army:
- Melvin Ben Payne
 - Leonard Weldon Lovell
 - Joseph Livingston Francis
 - Harry Thomas Carlile
 - Leonard Leroy Gray
 - Roy Spencer McBride
 - Walter Lee Corley
 - Henry Loyd Bilbrey
 - Frank Tabor Bearden
 - Francis Leo Dugan
 - Hubert Pryce Nunnallee
 - Ralph Vernon Emmerson
 - Merwin Lynn Eager
 - Riley Lee Wood
 - Floyd Elton Ross
 - Alza Lee Price
 - Charles Mathias Eller
 - Guillermo Ramirez
- McClung Kniffen.



Thin the Garden Now

One of the best ways to thin the Victory Garden row is not to plant seeds too thickly! Sounds like a paradox, but it comes from experienced seedsmen in the largest seed firm in the world.

Carrot seeds are very small, and it is sometimes difficult to sow thinly enough so that the young plants do not crowd each other. In that case, according to Ferry-Morse Seed Co. specialists, it is best to thin them to spaced about one inch apart when they are quite small. Grasp each plant near the base and pull gently so that the tops will not break off.

Unless they come up extremely thick, young radishes and green onions can be thinned by using them. The shape of the roots will be better, however, if the plants stand about an inch apart while still very small.

Each lumpy little pellet known as a "beet seed" is often two to four seeds, usually producing more than one plant. They should be sown at least 1½ to 2 inches apart. When the plants are four to five inches tall, every other one can be pulled for greens. If this is done at intervals while tops and roots are small, space will gradually be left for some of the roots to reach good size.

Sowing leaf lettuce seed sparsely helps to avoid the extra work of thinning the plants later. Even when fairly thick, some gardeners prefer to cut the larger, outer leaves instead of thinning, leaving the inner ones to grow. If you like to use each lettuce plant intact, thin to about two inches apart when small. Then, as they become big enough to use, pull up alternate plants leaving the others to grow.

Bush beans should be planted two to four inches apart, and just enough seedlings removed from the row so that the remaining ones stand four to five inches apart. Beans usually produce more prolifically when the plants do not crowd each other.

Early turnips do better and grow more speedily to table size if they are given three or four inches in which to spread. It is important to help turnips grow to eating size quickly. Of course the thinnings make delicious greens when young and tender.



Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men

Who can estimate the value of good will, that "priceless ingredient" so conspicuously mentioned in that first glorious Christmas message? Be assured that we highly appreciate your good will. It has been and will continue to be our most treasured asset.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU!

This is the 52nd Xmas. I have spent in Baird, and the public has been good to me—for which I thank one and all. Just a few of our Merchants are left that were here when I came. Again I say—THANK YOU by wishing You A Merry Xmas, and A Happy New Year.

WILL D. BOYDSTUN

BAIRD, TEXAS



YULETIDE JOY

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL AND GOD BLESS YOU EVERY ONE

Swinson and Tankersley Barber Shop

BAIRD, TEXAS

FITZGERALD'S DICTIONARY

Or words as one man sees them.

NURSERYMAN: A fellow who is often accused of selling dogwood switches for Elberta peach trees.

FAT PERSON: A puddle of grease with legs and arms on the corners.

PRESCRIPTION: A doctors' guess.

OUTSPOKEN PREACHER: A preacher who always has a flat pocketbook.

EDITOR: A man who acts like a dog with a bunch of firecrackers tied to his tail. He is always sputtering.

STATESMAN: A soft?poiled egg in the hands of a pretty woman.

TIGHTWAD: A fellow who has an intense belief in a future life; he wants to have his money over there.

SUCKER: A kind of fish that is found all over the world but is extremely abundant in America. A peculiarity of this fish: the bigger the bait the quicker he will swallow it.

CYNIC: The opposit of sucker. Suckers go in droves and believe anything. Cynics are becoming more plentiful. The suckers always want to punch the cynics' eyes out so the cynics can see like the sucker do.

—J. E. FITZGERALD.

At Mayfield's

Closing Out All Ladies' Hats Choice \$1.00 Mrs. Hamlett



1943 BEST WISHES

Santa may have new modes of transportation in his bag of tricks, but our wish is that his 1943 pack include a great big package of old-time Christmas cheer, addressed to you, dear friend—to YOU.

Modern Beauty Shop BAIRD, TEXAS

FLOWERS FOR ALL OCCASIONS

THE GIFT THAT PLEASURES.

Flowers speak to the gayest and the saddest hearts the sweetest sympathy. Give her the wreath for Christmas—either natural or artificial wreaths at our shop, please.

Early orders guarantee that you will not miss yours.

KELTON'S FLOWER SHOP

Phone 93 Baird, Texas.



... a candle in the window ... the gleam of a star on a tree ... the light in the eyes of a child on Christmas morning

But Christmas is more than these ... how much more we cannot put into words, but you do know that we are wishing for you all that Christmas at its very best implies, and all that Christmas can bring

JACKSON ABSTRACT COMPANY

BAIRD, TEXAS



CHRISTMAS CHEER 1943

PROGRESS IS THE KEYNOTE OF THE FUTURE. AND ON ONE POINT AT LEAST WE ARE FIRMLY RESOLVED. WE ARE GOING TO SERVE OUR CUSTOMERS STILL BETTER IN 1944. OUR EARNEST WISH IS THAT THE COMING YEAR MAY HAVE MANY UNEXPECTED BLESSINGS IN STORE FOR YOU AND YOURS.



GEO. PERRY, OIL PROPERTIES

BAIRD, TEXAS

To have served you in 1943 has been a pleasure and a privilege. We hope we have served you well enough to merit your patronage in 1944. Right now we want to say Happy New Year To You and Yours



MADISON MONTGOMERY

SALESMAN

MORGAN FEED STORE

WERE YOU KILT

In 1943? Well, you had a mighty good chance to be, according to the sheet sent out by that "safety gang" at Austin. They say that 408 got hurt, 95 fatally, 189 not so bad, and the other 124 were property, which is above folks some places!

Triffling pedestrians just stayed in the way of cars; 243 vehicles swore the other 243 vehicles were to blame; six trains had the nerve to contest the right-of-way with cars, and 8 bicycles stuck out their tongues at cars; 12 animals disputed the emierous swish of the car, and 12 telephone poles or other such dum objects wouldn't budge for them; while 11 cars got to feeling their oats so much that they just kicked up their heels an dturnd "over", and 56 of them just took to the woods, the road way was too smooth going—and ten got so frisky that the doctors of safety couldn't tell what they did, they just non-collissioned, or something.

GIMME A PEACH

Please, Mr. Browning, for you have been spotted by that gang holding an "Orchard Demonstration" on your farm early in December.

I hope you were able to give those fellows, with high-sounding titles from A. & M. College, some tips on growing fruit, so that they may pass it on to novices.

They talked about "codlin" moths, we understand. I bet you don't coddie them. You swat 'em, if you are like my East Texas dad.

That here-and-there-always-so-the-go-fellow Meadows says it was thrashed out at this meeting that you ought to stick by "tried-and-found good varieties" of fruit. He named a lot of them, but you would forget them if you read them in the Star; so before you plant, ask Mr. Browning, or Mr. Meadow, anybody but the editor: his ignorance of what "is best" is...well, let's not talk about the weak.

HI, FOLKS!

Hi's Northern States Envelope Company; then opines that "some how it wouldn't be like Christmas if we couldn't wish all our friends a Happy one!"

May have something there, Sandy and Joe, so Hi back at you.

PUTNAM PROJECTERS

Are lining up for the 1944 show: David Park Clinton with calves, Dale Ellis with a beef calf, Billy Brock of Eula is going the registered Jersey dairy calf board walk, Lowell Johnson of Oplin says, "Go on, Billy; my heifer won at Abilene and is going good."

Barney Rasberger is staking his success on poultry and Don Phillips keeps a weather eye on his Poland China pigs.

Don't Let "Gums" Become 'Repulsive'

Are your "GUMS" unsightly? Do they itch? Do they burn? — Drug-gists refund money if first bottle of "LETO'S" fails to satisfy.

CITY PHARMACY

QUICK RELIEF FROM Symptoms of Distress Arising from STOMACH ULCERS DUE TO EXCESS ACID

Free Book Tells of Home Treatment that Must Help or it Will Cost You Nothing

Over two million bottles of the WILLARD TREATMENT have been sold for relief of symptoms of distress arising from Stomach and Duodenal Ulcers due to Excess Acid—Poor Digestion, Sour or Upset Stomach, Gasiness, Heartburn, Sleeplessness, etc., due to Excess Acid. Sold on 15 days' trial! Ask for "Willard's Message" which fully explains...

HOLMES DRUG COMPANY.

GUARDIANSHIP NOTICE

In re Guardianship of the Estates of Isabelle and Otis Irenhower, persons of unsound mind.

No. 985.

In the County Court of Callahan (county, Texas).

Notice is hereby given that I, W. M. Isehower, Jr., guardian of the estates of Isabelle Isehower and Otis Isehower, persons of unsound mind, 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 estate of said wards to make a mineral lease upon such terms as the court may order and direct, of the following described real estate belonging to the estate of said wards, to-wit: Being 80 acres more or less out of T. E. & L. Co. Lands, Survey No. 2273 in Callahan County, Texas, and described by metes and bounds as follows: Beginning at a point in the South boundary line of said Survey No. 2273, said point being 1100 feet west of the Southeast corner of said Survey No. 2273; THENCE West with the South boundary line of said Survey No. 2273; THENCE West with the South boundary line of said Survey, 1866.5 feet for corner; THENCE North 1866.5 feet for corner; THENCE East 1866.5 feet for corner; THENCE South 1866.5 feet to the place of beginning; said application will be heard by the County Judge at the courthouse in the City of Baird, Texas, on the 4th day of January, 1944.

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12-20-ltc.

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Being a part of T. E. & L. Co. Survey No. 2978, in Callahan County Texas, and described by metes and bounds as follows: Beginning at the North-east corner of said T. E. & L. Co., Survey No. 2978; THENCE West 1062 varas; THENCE South 532 varas; THENCE East 1062 varas; THENCE North 532 varas to the place of beginning; said application will be heard by the County Judge at the courthouse in the City of Baird, Texas, on the 4th day of January, 1944.

W. M. Isehower, Jr.,
Guardian of the Estate of
Isabelle and Otis Isehower.
12-20-ltc.

FOR SALE—Very choice Holstein, Guernsey and Ayshire heifers \$25 each and up. Shipped C. O. D. if desired. Bull free with 5 heifers. Homestead Farms, McGraw, N. Y. 1-5t.

POULTRY RAISERS

Now is the time to condition your flock for Winter laying—feed them Quick-Red Poultry Tonic. It eliminates all blood sucking parasites. It is a good wormer and one of the best conditioners on the market. Sold and guaranteed by all drug and feed stores. 51-Stp.

THAT OPA

Gang is now trying to set you and me strait on shoes. I have read "Amendment 46 to Ration Order 17" and space said, "Oh, Adams, just tell the hoarders of shoes they had better see the Merchants for tips, to be on the safe side."

As much as we might want to, we can't undertake the "informing" of the citizens of "orders" which are nudging "laws" into the chimney corner—in high school we read about that decadent beginning of Rome, when laws were posted so rapidly and fulsomely on the walls of the Senate that no man could keep posted.

So, reader, if you are in doubt, just don't do it; and forgive our being unable to print these orders, please!

O YOU RAMBOULETES!

Just as well begin to lift those chins for Clinton Waddell's going to shove you right up to the front seats in 1944 convention of "prize stock" Callahan 4-Her's produce.

HAULING WATER

You can't phaze a Callahanian. Ranchers are coming in and saying, without even a trace of a sigh, "I have been hauling water for my stock since last August!" Nature spreads good things here with a lavish hand, but left some shortages that we may not forget that Nature gives; and Nature can withhold."

Subscribe for The Baird Star, \$1.50

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(Office at Courthouse)

BAIRD, TEXAS

OTIS BOWYER, Jr.

ATTORNEY-AT-LAW

(1507, First National Bank Bldg.)
Phone 2-2066

DALLAS, TEXAS

L. L. BLACKBURN

ATTORNEY-AT-LAW

BAIRD, TEXAS

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Reporter-News

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FORT WORTH

STAR-TELEGRAM

DELIVERED AT YOUR DOOR

Morning, Evening and Sunday

See-or-Call

Leon Daniell

Phone, 227

BAIRD, TEXAS

FOLKS AT HOME

Bachelor R. W. Gibbs came in Saturday and extended his mother's Star, and told us that his brother Buddy and sister Mrs. Carrilou Darby were home from San Diego, Calif., where they have been working; and that they expected Bob Darby home from the South Pacific where he has been with the Seabees.

LOTS OF HOG

R. W. Gibbs reported that he helped a neighbor, R. L. McLain out at Rowden kill a hog which was gussed off at 650 to 750. It was so long that a man had to stand on a box to disembowel the critter.

S-Sgt. Barnet A. Gracy with the U. S. Marines at San Diego, Calif., parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Gracy of Abilene, and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Higgins of Baird.



WHAT matter if Santa comes in a jeep, just so it's Santa Claus? And it IS Santa Claus! And this IS Christmas. May the 1943 season be an exceptionally happy one for you and your family.

RAMSEY'S VARIETY STORE

BAIRD, TEXAS



Season's Greetings

We've been thinking, folks, that you've been very good to us during 1943, and right now is the most appropriate time to thank you. So thanks, everybody, and a very happy Christmas!

Gulf Station,
Tom Fom French, Mgr.



TO EACH AND ALL

May your Christmas of 1943 approach in joyousness the carefree Christmases of early years when you dreamed of the coming of St. Nicholas.

HOTEL MAE

MRS. RUBY WALKER, Prop.



TIMES HAVE CHANGED, but Christmas remains unchanged—the year's outstanding holiday in the timeless cycle of love and good fellowship. In the same old familiar way it gives us pleasure to wish for you in this season of 1943 the most in Christmas cheer and enjoyment.

★ ★

WE pause to extend our sincere holiday greetings to our customers and friends. It has been a pleasure to have served you in 1943. We hope for a continuance of your friendship in 1944.

EARL JOHNSON MOTOR COMPANY

BAIRD, TEXAS

NOTICE TO FARMERS AND RANCHERS

Your Government urges you to cooperate in the Grease and Fat Salvage Drive by turning in your dead stock. These animals contain Glycerine, which is Valuable in Making Explosives.

THE CENTRAL RENDERING CO.

will pick them up free of charge.

Call Collect...4001 or 6513

Sundays and Holidays call 6513

Abilene, Texas

P. O. Box 432

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