

The Baird Star.

Our Motto; " 'TIS NEITHER BIRTH, NOR WEALTH, NOR STATE; BUT THE GIT-UP-AND-GIT THAT MAKES MEN GREAT."

VOLUME NO. 30.

BAIRD, CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS, FRIDAY, JAN., 12, 1917.

NO. 6

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appreciate this hearty co-operation in the enforcement of the City ordinances.

Respt.
H. Schwartz, Mayor
W. L. Ashton, Marshal

GOOD ROADS MEETING

Judge B. L. Russell director for Callahan County, and Mayor H. Schwartz, of Baird, attended the Good Roads Meeting at Big Springs Wednesday.

Judge Russell informed us that they had an enthusiastic meeting and that all the counties along the Fort Worth-El Paso Highway were represented by from one to four delegates.

The meeting was enthusiastic and reports all along the line were encouraging. Some of the Counties have about completed their part of the road, others nearly so.

We want Callahan County to get in on this proposition and to do so we have got to work.

The Association has employed Mr. J. D. Merewether, an expert Highway Engineer who will at an early day visit this county and make an estimate on the cost of the road through the county.

The Big Springs meeting earnestly urged that each county send one or more delegates to the meeting of the Texas Good Roads Association that will meet in Austin Jan. 17 to 18th. Callahan County should by all means send a delegate and arrange to pay his expenses. Judge B. L. Russell, elected director for this county at the Midland meeting, is the best man to send, because he has done more than anyone else to inform himself. He has spent much of his time and paid his own expenses since the Midland meeting and we should pay his expenses to Austin. He is unable to continue paying out his own money in the interest of the public. He can do more for Callahan County in the State Association and we want to send him there and pay his ex-

penses. It will take about fifty dollars to meet the actual expense of the trip.

WEDDINGS

Mr. Fred Cutbirth and Miss Ada McWhorter were united in marriage at the country home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. McWhorter, at 8 o'clock Sunday morning, January 7, 1917. Rev. W. Y. Switzer saying the marriage ceremony. The wedding was a quiet one only the immediate families of the bride and groom being present. The bride and groom left immediately for Baird, where they took the Sunshine Special for a trip to San Antonio and Corpus Christi. The bride is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. McWhorter, the groom a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Cutbirth, both prominent families of Callahan county. Both bride and groom were born and reared in the county and have a host of friends who wish them happiness all through life.

Mr. T. B. Chambers, of Baird, and Mrs. Pollie P. Coker were married at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Mitchell at Oplin Sunday, January 7, 1917 at 11:30 a. m. Eld. R. S. McBride, of Potosi, officiating. They will make their home in Baird, where Mr. Chambers is engaged in business, being a member of the firm of Chambers Bros.

Our good friend Oscar Nitschke, the popular baker again made the editor of THE STAR his debtor by presenting him and family with one of those fine cakes he makes so well. May Oscar's business continue to grow and prosper.

B. H. LIKENS DIED AT OPLIN

Mr. B. H. Likens, of Oplin, died last Saturday. Mr. Likens was 96 years old, probably the oldest man in the county. Mr. Likens is survived by his wife and several children and grand-children. The funeral was held at Oplin Sunday afternoon.

We regret to have to chronicle the death of our old friend, who lived much beyond the average life of man. Think of it, when he was born James Monroe was serving his last term as president, George IV was King of England. During his life time the United States was involved in three foreign wars and a civil war and during that time 23 different men held the office of President of United States. At the time of his birth Texas was a Spanish Colony, with very few white people and now the State has a million more people than lived in the original thirteen colonies at the time of the American Revolution. This gives some idea the great span of Mr. Likens' life and the wonderful progress made in America. He saw America grow from one of the insignificant nations to one of the most powerful nations on earth, past or present. We tender sincere sympathy to the family of our deceased friend. Peace to his memory.

J. M. Miller, of Abilene, died suddenly at Abilene last Sunday morning. Mr. Miller was a brother-in-law of Mrs. W. B. Griggs, of Baird. Several from Baird attended the funeral Sunday afternoon, among them were, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Griggs, Dr. and Mrs. R. L. Griggs, Mrs. M. Franklin, Mrs. H. D. Driskill and Misses Nina Griggs, Inez Franklin and Jennie Harris.

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COUNTRY CORRESPONDENCE

COTTONWOOD LOCALS

January 8, 1916

Editor Star: For some cause, we know not what, we "sure" forgot our communication last week. It must have been the effects of Christmas.

Well the new year is one week old and perhaps some of the resolutions for the new year are holding good yet, but we would presume that quite a lot of them have been broken, and the parties have decided to wait another year to begin their reformation.

Some sickness among the aged of our community, but nothing fatal up to date.

Mrs. Maude Whitzel who has, with her two little children, been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. "Uncle Jimmie" at Cottonwood has returned to her home near Vernon, in Wilbarger County.

Grandma Cochran has been real sick with a violent cold or "grip" bordering on pneumonia, but is reported much improved this morning.

Uncle Abe Cochran is very much under the weather also but he, too, is much better this morning.

Eld. J. J. Edwards, a Primitive Baptist Minister, of Blanket, Brown County, preached at Cottonwood Saturday night and Sunday, last.

Our school resumed duties January 1st with a good attendance, and all the faculty present.

Grandma Kenady who has been having quite an experience with the "grip" is much improved at this writing but not in her normal condition at all. Grandma Kenady is quite an energetic old lady and to be confined to her room is a real trying ordeal for her.

Mr. Wheeler Woody and Miss Jewell Champion were quietly married at the home of the bride Thursday evening December 21st. It is rather late to report this marriage, but owing to the fact that we failed to get in a communication last week and the week before was Christmas week and no paper hence this late hour in recording this important event of these young people, never the less we are ready to offer congratulations, and wish for them a long and happy life. We have not been able to learn who spoke the words that made them one, but presume that Eld. J. M. Ferguson did this important duty.

Mr. Brant Cochran, of Knox County, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Abe Cochran, who has been visiting his parents in Cottonwood left for his home Sunday night.

Eld. Stickland the pastor of the Missionary Baptist church at Cottonwood, filed his appointment at the latter place Sunday.

T. J. Norrell our worthy old ex-tax assessor visited relatives in Parker County Sunday. Uncle Tom as he is familiarly known, is getting up in years but remains vigorous and active for a man of his years. His old buggy pony "Old Nigger" has grown old and somewhat feeble in the service and is only hooked up for short drives.

The Primitive Baptist have changed their time of meeting from the fourth Sunday and Saturday before to the second Sunday and Saturday before. Bro. G. W. Smith, Admiral, Texas, take notice and govern yourself accordingly. Eld. J. J. Edwards will preach at Cottonwood the second Sunday in February and Saturday before.

Would mention the number of new autos purchased in our community right recently but the emense number forbids but suffice it to say, this town is well "hooked up" for riding.

Now we wish to notice the warm

greetings to ourself and Mrs. Jimmie from The Star force and we heartily return our heartfelt thanks for this appreciation of our vain efforts to contribute something to amuse or interest the reading public. Now may the entire Star force remain for years yet to communicate the happenings of this community to the readers of The Star, and may the Great Giver of all, especially shower His richest blessings on the head of "Uncle Billie" and enable him to champion many causes yet, socially, politically and religiously.

Now "Juan" bless your old ugly time we are just as much interested in your happiness and welfare as any one could be, and am just as solicitous in our desire that you live years yet to wield the "faber" for The Star and may there always be a yearling for you to "scrap" with and a cultivator to wrestle with when time hangs heavily on your hands, and that you should always remember to "turn to the right," when in the Terminal city.

Now with these few remarks we will "keno" however our kindest greeting and a Happy New Year to all the correspondents of The Star
Uncle Jimmie

CEDAR BLUFF ITEMS.

Dec. 29th—Well haven't we had pleasant weather this Christmas week?

Christmas has come and gone with all its blessings and good cheer. I hope we are wiser and better prepared to begin a New Year with all the problems of life that may confront us.

Some of the farmers are plowing, some moving in, others moving out.

Mrs. W. E. Heslep and children visited at J. T. Hesleps last week.

Bro. Hick Burnam filled his regular appointment at Cedar Bluff last Sunday. We are sorry to learn that his right arm was broken.

Mr. Winkle left here last Friday with his stock and last load of things. Mr. Talmage Green moved to Mr. Coffees place last Friday.

Mrs. Kittie Clifford and daughters Misses Maude and Alta, and also Miss Ollie Thomason of Stamford were at the home of Walter Williams this week.

Mrs. Rowell and children of Pioneer visited at the home of her son, Alzie Rowell, this week.

Woodie Thompson visited home folks during Christmas.

Jim Heslep and family spent Christmas Eve with home folks.

Miss Cora Conlee is spending the holidays with her parents near Zion Hill.

Mr. Walter Williams will soon move over near Oplin. We regret very much for them to leave.

Some of our folks attended a protracted meeting at Atwell this week.

Mrs. Homer Brannon of Kent county is visiting her father, Mr. Waggoner.

L. G. Heslep visited his sister, Mrs. Wagley, Saturday.

The young folks gave a very amusing mute serenade Saturday evening.

Mrs. Weeks visited her daughter, Mrs. Williams one day this week.

Miss Pearl Purvis spent Christmas in Atwell with homefolks.

Uncle Johnie Heslep was a Cottonwood visitor Saturday.

I wish the correspondents would state how long they have lived in Callahan county. I have been living in this county, except two years that I spent in Shackelford county, every since August 1877.

Wishing The Baird Star to shine more bright, give to its readers more light.

I will bid you good night, hoping I may come again.
S U. E.

No. 3286

Report of the Condition of

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

AT BAIRD.

In The State of Texas, at the Close of Business Dec. 27 1916.

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts	\$166,571.29	\$166,571.29
Notes and bills rediscounted		
Overdrafts, secured; None; unsecured		
U. S. Bonds deposited to secure circulation (par value)	\$25,000.00	25,000.00
Securities other than U. S. bonds (not including stocks) owned unpledged		2,253.04
Stock of Federal Reserve Bank [50 per cent of subscription]		1,800.00
Value of Banking House, (if unencumbered)	\$3,500.00	3,500.00
Furniture and fixtures		2,540.00
Real Estate owned other than banking house		400.00
Net amount Due from Federal Reserve Bank		
Due from approved reserve agents in New York, Chicago and St. Louis	9,627.96	
Due from approved reserve agents in other reserve cities	27,128.14	36,816.10
Due from banks and bankers (other than included in above)		63,847.52
Other Checks on banks in the same city or town as reporting bank		682.70
Outside checks and other cash items	1,656.40	
Fractional currency, nickels and cents	277.25	1,933.65
Notes of other national banks		810.00
Federal Reserve bank notes		200.00
Federal Reserve notes		305.00
Lawful reserve in vault and net amount due from Federal Reserve Bank		24,111.81
Coin and certificates		
Legal-tender notes		
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer		1,350.00
Total		\$332,020.51
LIABILITIES		
Capital stock paid in		\$50,000.00
Surplus fund		10,000.00
Undivided profits	\$8,165.62	
Less current expenses, interest and taxes paid	4,385.72	3,779.87
Circulating notes outstanding		25,000.00
Due to approved reserve agents in other reserve cities		
Due to banks and bankers (other than above)		26,986.97
Dividends unpaid		220.00
Demand deposits:		
Individual deposits subject to check		\$207,828.96
Certificate of deposit due in less than thirty days		2,551.00
Cashier's checks outstanding		129.61
Total demand deposits		\$210,509.57
Time deposits:		
Certificates of deposit		5,524.10
Total time deposits		5,524.10
Bills payable, including all obligations representing money borrowed other than rediscounts		
Total		\$332,020.51
Liabilities for rediscounts, including those with Federal Reserve Bank		

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF CALLAHAN, SS: I, W. S. HINDS, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

W. S. HINDS, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of Jan., 1917. GEO. B. SCOTT, Notary Public.

CORRECT—Attest:
J. F. DYER
W. A. HINDS
J. B. CUTBERTH
TOM WINDHAM
Directors.

No. 5493

Report of the Condition of

THE HOME NATIONAL BANK

AT BAIRD.

In the State of Texas, at the Close of Business, Dec. 27, 1916.

REROURCES

Loans and discounts	\$194,447.65	
Acceptances of this bank purchased or discounted	19,664.25	
Total loans	\$214,111.90	
Notes and bills rediscounted		214,111.90
Overdrafts, secured, * None; unsecured		
U. S. Bonds deposited to secure circulation (par value)	\$ 50,000.00	50,000.00
Total bonds, securities etc.		2,567.00
Stock of Federal Reserve Bank, [50 per cent of subscription]		1,800.00
Value of Banking house (if unencumbered)	14,772.56	14,772.56
Furniture and fixtures		3,507.80
Real estate owned other than banking house		3,082.50
Due from approved reserve agents in New York, Chicago, and Saint Louis	202.49	
Due from approved reserve agents in other reserve cities	76,574.51	76,777.30
Due from banks and bankers (other than above)		8,256.18
Checks on banks in the same city or town as reporting bank		509.56
Outside checks and other cash items	4,527.88	
Fractional currency, nickels, and cents	123.00	4,650.88
Notes of other national banks		5,030.00
Federal Reserve notes		1,600.00
Lawful reserve in vault and net amount due from Federal Reserve Bank		20,186.40
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer		2,500.00
Total		\$408,792.08
LIABILITIES		
Capital stock paid in		\$50,000.00
Surplus fund		10,000.00
Undivided profit	\$8,560.79	
Less current expenses interest and taxes paid	4,385.62	3,977.17
Circulating notes outstanding		50,000.00
Net amount due to approved Reserve Agents in New York, Chicago and St. Louis		
Net amount due approved reserve agents in other reserve cities		100,484.41
Due banks and bankers (other than above)		
Dividends unpaid		
Demand deposits:		
Individual deposits subject to check		172,299.87
Certificate of deposit due in less than 30 days		3,568.24
Cashier's checks outstanding		2,076.36
Total demand deposits		\$177,938.47
Time deposits:		
Certificates of deposit		16,392.03
Total time deposits		16,392.03
Notes and bills rediscounted		
Bills payable, including obligations representing money borrowed		
Total		\$408,792.08
Liabilities for rediscounts, including those with Federal Reserve Bank		

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF CALLAHAN, SS: I, T. E. POWELL, Cashier of the above named bank do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

T. E. POWELL, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9th day of Jan., 1917. L. L. BLACKBURN, Notary Public.

CORRECT—Attest:
E. L. FINLEY
H. W. ROSS
MARTIN BARNHILL
Directors.



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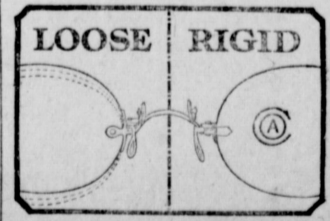
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To the People of Texas and their Legislators Elect:

This is a paid advertisement intended to give reasons why the present law of Texas relating to the incorporation of oil companies should be amended so as to allow Texas corporations like those of other states to pursue all of the several branches of this single business.

The Texas Company is engaged in purchasing, refining and marketing petroleum, and as a part of its business owns and operates a system of pipe lines. It is incorporated under the laws of Texas and is handicapped seriously by the inadequacy of its charter powers. It has no direct power to prospect for and produce crude oil. And as the law now stands it can obtain this power only by reorganizing and taking out a charter in some other state, thus becoming a corporation of that state and ceasing to be a corporation of Texas.

Heretofore the stockholders, by a separate producing organization, have borne the burden of obtaining the necessary crude supplies; and but for this arrangement the company could not have succeeded. This was workable when the organization was small and operations were on a narrow scale. But with the growth of the business and with varying and shifting stock ownership it has become subject to too many complications. The company is now manufacturing in Texas and marketing in nearly every country in the world the various finished products of Texas crude oil. It now has more than 10,000 employees, and its stockholders number about 4,000, including approximately 2,000 employees.

The competitors of this company are engaged in all branches of the business. Two of its principal competitors in Texas operate as limited partnerships or joint stock associations and therefore may pursue any business that an individual might pursue, the only restriction being such stipulations as the shareholders see fit to make among themselves. Another principal competitor is organized as a holding company, incorporated under the laws of another state, and owns the stock of three Texas corporations, one engaged in producing oil, another in refining and marketing, and a third in operating pipe lines, so that on the whole the stockholders have the benefit of an organization which covers all branches of the business.

The statement just made is not in criticism. The plan of including all branches of a single business is logical. Moreover, as applied to the oil business it is universal in all of the oil producing states and in foreign countries. In practically every state of the Union, except Texas, a corporation of this kind has the charter power to produce oil.

And it may not be inappropriate to say further in this connection that the limitations which the laws of Texas place on the charter powers of The Texas Company do not stop at the boundaries of the state; they follow the company wherever it goes; they follow it into other states and foreign countries where its competitors carry on all branches of the business and where the state of Texas can not prevent them from doing so. If anywhere on the Globe this company should do an act in excess of its powers as defined by the laws of Texas its charter would be subject to forfeiture.

No one would think of precluding a company engaged in the lumber business from going directly to the natural source of supply, taking timber leases or buying standing timber, and in that way acquiring its raw material. There as in the oil business the manufacturing merchant takes the raw or crude material and turns it into finished products. In each case the supply is limited as regards both locality and extent and the matter of obtaining supplies of the particular kinds needed and obtaining them at the times when needed and in the places where needed is of supreme importance. The same thought may be applied to mining or any industry where the operator must lay out large sums in plant and marketing facilities and is not warranted in doing so unless he is to have a free hand in obtaining the raw material. He must be allowed to protect his investment, otherwise he is at the mercy of hostile forces and can be destroyed at their will or upon an event of chance. To exclude an oil company from taking leases and producing oil, and thereby require it to buy from those who may happen to have wells and produce some oil, would mean to any concern operating on a large scale precisely the same that it would mean to the owner of a sawmill if he should be prohibited from acquiring standing timber and required to buy his logs at retail. And furthermore, as previously indicated, it is not a question of what might be ideal if we were at the inception of this industry; the business has pitched itself along certain lines; and these lines are universal and world-wide.

The position of The Texas Company was fully explained to the last legislature, but there was opposition to the bill introduced for its relief, and the matter was delayed and finally crowded out near adjournment. The company did not then, and it does not now, ask any special favors, or for the enactment of a law which would not apply to all similarly situated, or for any change in the settled policies of the state; but it did desire and it still desires some fair and suitable relief; such legislation as will remove the handicap and accord it those lawful corporate rights that are enjoyed by companies organized in such states as California, Oklahoma or Louisiana. It will present the matter to the Thirty-fifth Legislature.

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LONE STAR NEWS IN FEW WORDS

HAPPENINGS OF MAJOR AND MINOR IMPORTANCE NOTED.

PARAGRAPHS HERE PRESENTED

That Relate to Matters of Present and Likewise the Future Placed in Type and Embracing Various Portions of the Commonwealth.

Strawberries are coming in. Miles, Rannels county, has much grip. Many pecan trees are to be planted at San Angelo.

Three garages are under construction at San Angelo.

James B. Davis, long a Fort Worth attorney, is dead, aged fifty-two.

Kossuth Aycock is having a \$10,000 business house erected at San Angelo.

Press Harris, a resident of Texas since 1855, passed away at Ray, Ellis county, aged seventy-eight years.

Mrs. Mary Curtis, one of the early settlers of Parker county, departed this life at her home in Weatherford.

Store of J. J. Graham at Cleburne was robbed of \$12.50, a gold watch, several boxes of cigars and other articles.

During 1916 47,621 carloads of hogs, cattle, horses and sheep were received at Fort Worth, an increase of 8,798 cars over 1915.

In token of appreciation of services for the rebuilding of Wichita Falls, a number of friends of J. A. Kell presented him a loving cup.

E. C. Thompson was elected president of the McKinney Business Men's association. Last year was a fruitful one for the organization.

Roy Nash Levlon, eight years old, fell under the wheels of an automobile truck at Dallas and was killed. The driver was held blameless.

The will of the late Mrs. Amanda Cooper of Pilot Point, Denton county, leaves \$75,000 to her three daughters except \$3,000 to a grandson.

Fifty Barred Plymouth Rock hens of W. C. Melton of Sherman laid in a year 9,817 eggs, an average per hen of 196 eggs and a fraction.

Huaco club house at Waco was fire destroyed. Loss, including belongings of members, is placed at \$50,000, with partial insurance. It will be rebuilt.

Texas paid out approximately for scholastic purposes \$1,000,000 more than was collected. Estimated scholastic population for 1916-17 was 1,230,000.

A handsome calendar has just been carved out of the new composition known as vita wood by George Henkel of Dallas. The design of same is original.

A contract for the erection of the high school building at Marlin has been awarded to J. C. Joplin of Houston. Fifteen bids were offered, lowest being \$43,500.

Protests against the interstate commerce commission's tentative valuation of the Texas Midland railroad is to be heard by the commission Jan. 29 at Washington.

Miss Pinkie Wade of Sweetwater is at Austin, where she will urge the legislature to pass a measure providing for a west Texas agricultural and mechanical college.

For the Dickson colored orphanage near Gilmer 400 acres have been purchased. It is planned to put 300 acres in cotton 100 acres in corn and also 100 acres in vegetables.

All cases on the docket of the court of criminal appeals have been set down for submission and the new court will not have any back work to consider for the present term.

F. M. Stoy, a Kaufman county pioneer, died at his residence, four miles from Terrell, after a lingering illness, due to a broken hip. A widow, seven sons and a daughter survive.

Henry Clay Kelly, a resident of Dallas forty-two years and for thirty-three years vice president of the Huey & Philp Hardware company, is dead at the age of seventy-five years.

The state bank examiners held a session of two days at the state capital with Commissioner of Insurance and Banking Charles O. Austin. It was the regular quarterly conference.

Two oil wells, one making fifty barrels a day and the other one hundred, have been completed by Wichita Falls parties in Archer county. They are the third and fourth wells now in that

The paid fighting force of Wichita Falls is to be shortly increased to ten men, thereby gaining a substantial reduction in fire insurance rates, according to present plans of the city council.

Fire at Commerce, Hunt county, destroyed the building occupied by the Rutland-Maloney Dry Goods company. Planters and Merchants' National bank building was badly damaged; total loss, \$75,000.

In 1916 there passed in and out of the Fort Worth postoffice 2,225,000 parcel post packages. Outgoing parcels were nearly three times more than the incoming ones. Over 1915 there was almost a one-third increase.

According to figures given out by the Wool Growers' Central Storage association of San Angelo over 2,949,392 pounds of wool and mohair were handled by the organization. Best prices in its history were secured.

The announcement was made officially at Texarkana that the Abeel sanitarium and the Meagher Memorial hospital had consolidated. The merger will add a large amount of modern equipment to the Meagher hospital.

The thirty-first annual convention of the Lumbermen's Association of Texas will be held at the Hotel Galvez, Galveston, April 10, 11 and 12. The programme for the meeting will not be announced until after March 1.

The Magnolia Petroleum company of Galveston has purchased all of the property of the McMan Oil company in Oklahoma and Kansas except its restricted district, the purchase price being \$55,000,000, payable in cash and notes.

Officials of the Katy railway are considering the advisability of constructing additional office facilities in Dallas—either erecting a new building on the site of the old Katy depot or adding a few stories to the present general office building.

The postoffice and two stores at South Bosque, eleven miles west of Waco, were burglarized. In the postoffice sixteen stamped envelopes and 35 cents in money were secured. Merchandise to the amount of \$200 was taken from one store and several cartons of tobacco from the other.

Office of the Burton-Lingo Lumber company and garage of Sheriff Kelly at Odessa were burglarized. The officer's car was stolen and a few small articles, including some money, taken from the lumber company office. Four young men were arrested twenty-five miles west of Odessa.

James M. Young, the secretary and treasurer of the Russell-Coleman Oil company of San Antonio, died in a hospital of that city as the result of a spider bite received while on a recent hunting trip. Little attention was given the matter until two days before his death. He was fifty-two years of age.

Lasker family of Galveston has donated to the National Farm School at Doyleston, Pa., in memory of the late Morris Lasker, the father, a prominent Galveston citizen, \$75,000, with which to equip a domestic science hall to accommodate 500 students. Other donations have been made by the Lasker family.

A tract of land in Culberson county containing 20,480 acres belonging to the estate of the late E. E. Baldrige has been sold to W. D. Casey, a Jeff Davis county ranchman, for \$40,104, or \$2.30 an acre. The new owner is the holder of large tracts in adjoining counties.

The trial of W. B. Sands, the Texas ranger, charged with the murder of Sergeant Owen Bierne of the Twenty-third United States infantry, was set for trial at El Paso Jan. 15. Bierne was said to be the most popular man in the army. He had served thirty years and was personally known to most of the older officers of the regular service.

Will Blanch, a negro, engaged two officers in a pistol battle at Alsdorf, Ellis county, each side firing fifteen to twenty shots. No one was hurt. When both sides were out of ammunition the negro was chased to Rosser, Kaufman county, where Constable Erwin of that precinct shot him fatally. Blanch had made his threats that he would not be arrested.

Jordan Wagner, cousin of Houston Wagner, the negro murderer killed in the Dallas county jail, was shot to death at Gainesville by Sanders Jarrett, another negro, who claims the unwritten law as his defense. Wagner was recently pardoned out of the penitentiary, owing to poor health, where he was serving a four-year term for local option law violation. He had served one year for a similar offense and five years for attempt to murder.

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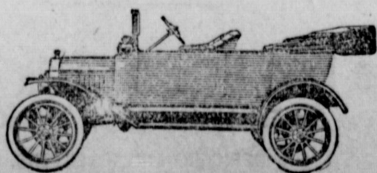
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CLAIMS ALSO BEING INSULTED

D. P. McAdams Shot to Death at Fort Worth by Callie Medders, a Girl of Eighteen, Two Bullets Doing the Work.

D. P. McAdams, forty-two years of age, doorman for a Fort Worth rooming house, was shot to death in his bedroom by Callie Medders, eighteen years old, a house maid in the establishment. One bullet struck him in the neck and the other in the left side of the face, causing instant death. She gave bond in \$7,500.

The girl, whose home is two miles east of Weatherford, in a sworn statement, said that when she went to Fort Worth last spring and unaccustomed to city ways she was escorted to the rooming house by McAdams, whom she met while seeking employment and lodging. She says he promised to assist her in getting work, but failed to do so. She declares he entered her room that night and later endeavored to get her to give him money. She refused and has since worked as a maid in the rooming house.

Shortly before the tragedy, said the girl, she showed a guest to a room and handed McAdams \$1, asking him for change. He made a derogatory remark to her, she declared, and she at once went to her room, secured a six-shooter, entered his apartment and opened fire on him.

FOURTEEN TORNADO FATALITIES WIND RUINS MANY HOMES IN OKLAHOMA SECTION.

Fourteen persons lost their lives as the result of a tornado at Vireton, Okla., and a number of others were injured. Many houses were damaged and several wrecked.

Grave diggers went from Krebs to bury the dead and caskets were also sent.

The Choctaw Indian mission and school at Vireton are in ruins and in the list of the dead are some school-children.

Three more expired Sunday

EARTHQUAKE KILLS HUNDREDS, THOUSAND HOUSES DESTROYED UPON ISLAND OF FORMOSA.

Three hundred persons were killed and many injured in an earthquake in central Formosa, according to dispatches received at Tokio from Taihoku, the capital of Formosa. It is estimated that one thousand houses have been destroyed.

The city of Nanto has been badly damaged by fire.

Mother and Son Die in Well.

Near Seguin, Tex., Mrs. Dolores Serbia and her son lost their lives in a well and the husband and father was in a serious condition as the result of damp gas in a well the son was digging. The young man failed to give the usual signal. The father went down and failing to signal was drawn up, the son holding onto him. The son fell back and died and the rope also jerked the mother into the well and to her death.

Villas Loses Many Men.

Villas was defeated at Jimenez by General Francisco Marguila, with loss of 1,500 dead, wounded and captured. General Marguila reported that he had pushed back the Villa forces twenty-five miles and that Villa and his under chief, Salazar, fled toward El Valla in an automobile, closely pursued by government troops.

Paroles Ninety-Two.

Governor Major of Missouri, as one of the last acts of his administration, paroled ninety-two young prisoners from the penitentiary. Prison officials say this number is the largest number ever released in Missouri at one time.

Expiree Doing Kindly Act.

J. M. Geisman, a grocer, and resident of Honston since 1837, died unexpectedly at the home of William J. Platte, where he had gone to pay his respects and view the body of Ernest Platte, Mr. Platte's son.

Shoots Woman and Suicides.

After seriously shooting Mrs. Chas. Bishop at Dallas twice, L. W. Brazzell shot himself in the head and died almost instantly.

CABLE MESSAGES RECEIVED BY EAR

War Department Announces Important New Discovery.

IS LIKE LAND TELEGRAPH

"Ticker" Adapted to Cable Promises New Era in Undersea Communication—No Longer Necessary to Depend Upon Flashes For Reading, Says War Department.

A technical discovery expected to revolutionize cable communication has been announced by the war department in Washington. The discovery, the result of experiments initiated and carried out under the direction of Lieutenant-Colonel George O. Squier, U. S. A., chief of the aviation section of the signal corps, will permit the reception of Morse signals in cable communication audibly instead of visually by flashes, as at present.

The principal drawback to cable communication has been the necessity of employing the visual recorder, requiring the employment of highly trained cable readers. The new invention—the "audion cable receiver"—is expected to do away with cable readers and bring the operation of ocean cables in line with land line and radio telegraphy.

"Ticker" Adapted to Cable.

The official announcement regarding the invention follows in part:

"The preliminary experiments, which have been in progress for some months, were made at the government radio laboratories, and the actual tests on an ocean cable have been completed recently. The improvement consists essentially in the adaptation of the 'ticker' and audion types of instrument used for receiving the signals in radio telegraphy.

"The tests have been made on the government signal corps cable from Sitka, Alaska, to Seattle, Wash., and the receiving apparatus was installed in the Seattle office. This cable is 1,086 miles in length and has a K. R. approximately equivalent to one of the Atlantic cables.

"The actual receiver is an ordinary telephone. The feeble current received is normally inaudible in the telephone. It is broken up by means of a slipping contact 'ticker' and rendered audible. In order to secure greater sensibility, a tuned audion amplifier is used in connection with the ticker. The sensitiveness of this apparatus is so great that less than one-twentieth of the voltage necessary for operating the siphon recorder is sufficient to give good traffic signals.

Like Land Telegraph.

"The significance of this development may be realized when we remember that at present all the traffic for ocean cables has to be translated into an entirely different code at each end and that highly paid cable readers are required to decipher these messages. The present discovery brings the operation of ocean cables in line with land line telegraphy as well as radio telegraphy. The increased sensitiveness obtained by this method guarantees the operation of ocean cables under conditions when they would be totally interrupted as at present used and forecasts radical improvements in the engineering practice of cable telegraphy.

"The experiments have been initiated and carried out under the personal direction of Lieutenant Colonel George O. Squier, Signal corps, United States army; by Dr. Louis W. Austin, in charge of the naval radio laboratory, bureau of standards, and Dr. Louis Cohen, consulting engineer of the signal corps."

Ten Thousand Dollars Stolen.

Four masked men held up an express wagon at Tarentum, Pa., that contained the pay roll of the Flaccus Glass company of that city and got away with \$10,000.

Crape Stolen From Door.

Smith Bros. had crape put on their store door at Shawnee, Okla., following their mother's death and it was stolen.

Miss Margaret Morris, who went to Washington county from Tennessee in the 50's with her parents and has resided there ever since, celebrated at Brenham, all that time her home, her ninety-second birthday. The lady is well preserved and maintains a keen interest in current events.

At the annual meeting of the Tri-State Medical society, held at Texarkana, Dr. J. M. Bodenheimer, Shreveport, was elected president. Dr. C. M. Rosser, Dallas, was chosen vice president for Texas. Next year the meeting will be held at Shreveport.

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SUBSCRIPTION RATES.

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The peace talk demoralized the stock market for a time, but most of the stock effected were of the ammunition factories in this country.

Is it not strange how a fellow can remember so well what the other fellow owes him? but forgets all about the small amounts "he" owes the other fellow.

From the number of accounts of accidental killing of hunters it is almost as dangerous to go hunting with some men in Texas as to go into battle in Europe.

Col. William F. Cody, better known as "Buffalo Bill" the famous Western Scout, died at Denver on the 9th, aged 71 years.

Despite the harsh criticisms levelled at President Wilson's peace note, there is evidence that the leven is working and in a few months we may see the end of the war. The whole world is hoping and praying for peace.

President Wilson should remember that that the first dove Noah sent out of the ark found no place to rest the sole of her foot, but on the second trip she found an olive branch. So with the peace note, a second might have better luck.

One of the ancient humbugs still in force of our electoral system is sending the vote of the presidential electors from each state by special messenger to Washington. Just as well burn up that fifty to seventy-five thousand dollars thus squandered on an obsolete system.

Senator Stone, of Missouri, perpetrated a fine Irish bull when he called Tom Lawson a "bellowing ass," but after reading an account of Lawson's statement before the "Jeak" committee we are satisfied Senator Stone sized the Boston blatherskite up about right.

If a member of Texas legislature does not vote according to the instructions of the voters of his district on submission, does he represent or misrepresent the people of his district? As we see it, if a member is not willing to abide by the expressed will of his constituents on "submission" or anything else, then he ought to resign.

Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo says the Texas homestead law needs amending and the Dallas News agrees with him, if Texas is to secure any benefits from the farm loan banks. There is nothing in the present homestead law of Texas that will prevent borrowing money to pay for a home or to make improvements thereon. What many people in Texas want is to abolish the homestead law entirely, but the people of Texas will never consent to this, so it is useless to talk about it.

Suppose submission had carried in two-thirds of the legislative districts in Texas, but defeated in the state, would Dr. Barton, Dr. Bradford and other leading pros been in favor of district rather than state wide instructions? There is hardly

a doubt, but what they would. On the other hand would the antis be so strenuously in favor of the district instructions under same conditions? It is pretty safe to guess that they would not. Politics is a great game and most men's politics fit their own desire in spite of all their top-lofty talk about principle above everything else.

Arizona towns sprinkle the streets with bootleg whiskey and beer. Arizona also has two men claiming to be governor and both have been sworn in.

All honor to President Wilson's peace note. He has made an effort to stop the war and at least has caused all the nations to think and talk about peace and that is something. One man could have prevented this war in 1914, but he refused, now it seems impossible for the whole world to end the war.

The way some of the Teut and entente papers talk they think neutral nations have no rights that the warriors must respect. They seem to think that it is Europe's especial prerogative to destroy the civilization that required two thousand years to create and will not listen to reason from any outsider, no matter how much that outsider may suffer from the war.

ADMIRAL NEWS.

Jan. 8th.—Another year has passed with all of its pleasures and sorrows. Let us all try to profit by our mistakes of the past year and try to live better and nearer to God in the new year.

Cupid seems to have already been busy this year as we had a double wedding Sunday: Mr. Sim Smith and Miss Annie Walker, Mr. Joe Hawk and Miss Lurline Pierce, Bro. Stegall of Abilene, officiating. We wish these young people a happy and prosperous journey through life.

Joe Stewart and family of Waldrip, were the guests at the homes of B. E. and S. H. Higgins the past week.

The party given in honor of Misses Winnie Davis and Velma Shelton at the home of J. M. Shelton, Saturday night was well attended and enjoyed by all present.

Grandpa Wright returned home from Big Springs, Sunday, where he has been visiting his son, John and family for the past three months.

M. Pierce, Joe and Ernest Higgins, Edgar Smith and Ed Davis attended the big Davis-Garner sale at Cross Plains Saturday, making the trip in Ed's new Ford.

Mrs. T. B. Harris and Mrs. Rosa Bradford were shopping in Baird, Saturday.

Miss Winnie Davis returned Tuesday from Fort Worth where she spent the holidays with homefolks.

R. J. Harris and Miss Lillie Robinson are Baird visitors today.

Miss Della Eubanks is spending this week in Baird, the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. R. Black.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jones spent Sunday at Rowden.

Joe Crutchfield and Bud McClendon were Rowden visitors Sunday afternoon.

A number of young people attended church at Cedar Grove, Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Black and J. R. Jr., spent Saturday night and Sunday with homefolks.

Miss Sallie Sanders of Baird spent Saturday and Sunday with her sister Mrs. John McClendon.

We have some sickness in our community and we hope everyone will soon be well again.

"Dottie Dimple."

WANTED.

Some land on the halves. Write 6-1tp. Floyd Paschall.

BANKS OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION

Of the FARMERS STATE BANK at Putnam, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 27th day of Dec. 1916, published in **The Baird Star**, a newspaper published at Baird, State of Texas, on the 12th day of Jan. 1917.

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral.....	\$43,739.46
Loans, real estate.....	1,175.00
Overdrafts.....	104.75
Real Estate (banking house).....	6,100.00
Furniture and Fixtures.....	2,200.00
Due from Approved Reserve Agents.....	88,795.79
Cash Items.....	402.38
Currency.....	9,860.00
Specie.....	442.70
Int. in Depositors Guaranty Fund.....	1,125.78
Other Resources as follows:	
Assessment in Guaranty Fund.....	189.12
Total.....	\$154,134.98

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock paid in.....	\$15,000.00
Surplus Fund.....	4,300.00
Undivided Profits, net.....	4,419.76
Individual Deposit subject to check.....	130,415.22
Time certificate of deposit.....	
Bills Payable and Rediscounts.....	
Total.....	\$154,134.98

STATE OF TEXAS : We, Y. A. Orr, as Vice
County of Callahan : President, and J. A. Clements as Cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief

Y. A. ORR, Vice Pres.
J. A. CLEMENTS, Cashier.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this, 3d day Jan. A. D. nineteen hundred and seventeen

WITNESS my hand and notarial seal on the date last aforesaid

ELBERT MAY
Notary Public, Callahan County, Texas

CORRECT ATTEST: S. W. Jobe
A. L. Biggerstaff
C. T. Hutchison
Directors.

EULA LOCALS.

Jan. 1st.—Well, Uncle Billie, here I am on New Year's day and I hope this year will bring prosperity to one and all

We had a good Christmas, all well and happy. We had a Christmas tree at the Methodist Church and all had a good time.

If we could get a good rain for the small grain we would be alright.

W. C. Miller entertained quite a crowd at his beautiful home near Potosi in honor of his sister, Miss Ola Miller, Wednesday evening, Dec. 27th. Among those present were Misses Kathryn Howell of Baird, Ada McWhorter from the Bayou, Bonnie Loggin, of Marlin, Kissie Dobbins and Mary Tisdale of Clyde, Harkrider of Abilene. Messrs and Meadames J. T. Loggins, Rod Kelton, M. E. Miller Lee, Smith, Messrs Fred Cutbirth, Ernest Hill, Will McCoy, Don Marshall, John Baugh, Ernest Miller, J. T. Hampton, R. P. Stephenson.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Smith of Cutberth are spending a few days in Eula.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Miller and Mr. and Mrs. John Jolly of Levy, New Mexico, are visiting in Eula during the holidays.

"Patsie."

HONOR ROLL

The following have paid their subscription during the past week:

Mrs. Jane Looper	.25
Lloyd Hughes	1.00
R. E. Nunhally	1.00
W. K. Boatwright	1.00
W. H. Perry	1.00
I. N. Walls	2.00
G. L. Albin	1.00
G. M. Hall	1.00
W. L. Harris	1.25
Emory Baker	1.00
John Schaffrina	1.00
C. E. Barr	1.00
C. P. Lisman	1.00
Geo. B. Scott	1.00
L. L. McBain	1.00
W. A. Hinds	1.00
Mrs. C. E. Jones	.50
John T. Stewart	1.00

Haynie Gilliland of THE STAR force returned Sunday night from a ten days visit to Balmorhea. He went out to hunt bear, he had the hunt alright but found no bear.

Extreme Reductions in our Women's Ready-to-Wear

This will be the last great Saving Opportunity of this season on Winter Coats, Suits, Coats, Dresses and Skirts To keep the stock fresh and new each season all remaining stock must be sold; Winter wearables cannot be carried through the Spring Season or stored away

They Must Go Now

We quote a few prices:

\$25.00 Values	-	\$18.15
22.50 Values	-	14.50
20.00 Values	-	13.05
18.50 Values	-	12.65
15.00 Values	-	9.85
12.50 Values	-	8.50
6.00 Values	-	4.25

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The Place Where Most People Trade

BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Attendance at Sunday School last Sunday was 170, with no special program, nor any special effort. At both preaching hours the auditorium of the Church was well filled with people who had attentive ears, and our beloved pastor preached two excellent sermons. At the morning hour he preached on "Practical Christianity" at the conclusion an offering was taken for the Orphans Home, the greatest given by the Church for this cause, and was given spontaneously and cheerfully.

The First Baptist Church of Baird was organized in May 1881, is on higher ground, and the Pastor and people have hearts determined to do the Master's will, the membership regard this a matter not to boast of,

but should call us to our knees in most fervent prayer and thankfulness that the God of the universe has permitted our Church thus to serve him.

If you are not attending any other church in town you certainly have a most cordial welcome to come and be with us at any or all of our services.

Church Clerk.

FOR SALE.

My residence, 5 rooms, good cistern, and all necessary outbuildings, 8 acres of land in enclosure. Price reasonable and easy terms. See me at once if you want a bargain, 6-2tp. Mrs. Rosa Neubauer.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Windham and daughter, Miss Winnie, of Oplin, were in town Wednesday.



Turn Over a New Leaf

and make this your BANNER YEAR. Let your BANK BOOK record your prosperity and insure your SUCCESS and INDEPENDENCE for all succeeding years. We earnestly solicit your co-operation to the end that this may truly be a HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

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W. A. Hinds Tom Windham J. B. Cutbirth.

Big Reduction on Men's and Boy's Clothing

We are making big reduction on Men's and Boy's Clothing. (Serges excepted.) Start the New Year with a saving by buying one or more of the special offers.

\$20.00 Suits for \$17.50
 17.50 Suits for 13.85
 12.50 Suits for 9.85
 8.50 Suit for 6.50
 6.00 Suits for 4.85

We are making extraordinary low prices on the following lots:

Lot No. 1. Extra Coats \$1.00
 Lot No. 2. Suits - - 3.00
 Lot No. 3. Suits - - 5.00

You can't afford to miss this opportunity if you are in need of a suit.

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BAD HABITS.

Those who breakfast at 8 o'clock or later lunch at 12 and dinner at 6 are almost certain to be troubled with indigestion. They do not allow time for one meal to digest before taking another. Not less than five hours should elapse between meals. If you are troubled with indigestion correct your habits and take Chamberlain's Tablets and you may reasonably hope for a quick recovery. These tablets strengthen the stomach and enable it to perform its functions naturally. For sale by ALL DEALERS.

Farm For Rent.—Wanted tenant for farm 11 miles south of Baird, close to good school. See or phone 52tp. Mrs. C. H. Mahan Baird.

TO BURN OFF CEMETERY

The Cemetery Association requests us to announce that they will burn off the Cemetery Saturday afternoon and those interested are requested to come and help with the work.

THE HABIT OF TAKING COLD.

With many people taking cold is a habit, but fortunately one that is easily broken. Take a cold sponge bath every morning when you first get out of bed—not ice cold but a temperature of about 90 degrees. Also sleep with your window up. Do this and you will seldom take cold. When you do take cold take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and get rid of it as quickly as possible. For sale by ALL DEALERS.



Read The Report

of this bank's financial condition on another page of this paper. The figures will prove how sound an institution this is and what a safe one in which to deposit your funds. We invite your account and assure you every banking service in our power to perform.

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Baird, Texas

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 T. E. Powell, Cashier. F. L. Driskill, Asst. Cashier
 E. L. Finley M. Barnhill C. C. Seale

LOCALS

Joe Y. Fraser of Colorado spent Sunday in Baird.

Mrs. G. W. Bowls and little son, John, have returned from McLean, where they visited relatives.

M. H. Hancock spent Christmas with his parents at De Leon.

Fleet Howell, of Fort Worth, spent the holidays with the home folks.

Gus Hall who has been working at San Antonio for sometime, has returned to Baird.

Mrs. Harry Berry and little daughters, visited in Sweetwater doing the holidays.

Dr. G. R. Griggs, of Albert, Okla., spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Griggs.

Mrs. J. F. Greenrock and children have returned from Fort Worth, where they visited relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Gates and children have returned from Bonham where they spent the holidays.

R. Q. Evans, County Farm Demonstrator, spent Christmas with his parents at Rosebud.

Miss Ethel Conner, of Abilene, spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Conner.

Mrs. Marcus Miller and little daughter, of Rowden, were in town a few days ago.

Fleet Howell has returned to Ft. Worth after spending the holidays with the home folks.

Horse and buggy for sale cheap. 5 tf. S. E. Settle

Mrs. Bob Martin went to Abilene the first of the week to spend a few days with her mother, Mrs. Williams who is ill.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hinds have returned from a visit to their daughters, Mr. Chas. Ruhrop of Toyah, and Mrs. Dee Davis of Saragosa.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Chisenhall, of Burleson, visited Mrs. Chisenhall's mother, Mrs. Scott, during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Estes and son, J. C., visited Mr. and Mrs. Sam Shonrick near Abilene, during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. John Blakley, of Belle Plaine, were in town last Friday. Mrs. Blakley made THE STAR office a pleasant call.

Mrs. M. E. Moon, of Fort Worth, spent several days in Baird last week visiting friends and looking after her business interests here.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Estes, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Estes spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Caylor in Fort Worth.

Messrs Ed Glover, Claude Flores John Driskill and Misses Helen Walker, Laura Brock and Lora Franklin attended the Elk's New Year's Ball at Abilene.

Mr. Roy Green, stock-farmer of Denton county, was in Baird last week. Mr. Green is a brother of Prof. R. D. Green, formerly of Baird, now at Cisco, and also an old friend of H. F. Foy.

About Christmas times Dr. R. G. Powell received a check from a former Callahan county man, now in some of the Western states. The check was for \$20, in payment of an account twenty-six years old.

Sheriff J. A. Moore was able to get out last week after a week's illness.

Commissioners' Court was in session Monday and Tuesday with all members present.

Miss Myrtle Conner, who teaches in the Putnam Public School, is spending the week at home, on account of a slight illness.

Henry Lambert was taken seriously ill yesterday morning with cramps and suffered severely all day and last night. He is some better this morning.

H. C. McGowen, Larmer Henry George, Harry, and Grover Berry went on a hunting trip to Uvalde county during the holidays. They report a splendid trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Ray have returned from El Paso, where they have made their home for the past few months. Lonnie will again be associated with his father in the garage business.

Corporal C. C. Seale of the 4th Texas Infantry, National Guard, stationed at Valentine, Texas, is at home on a furlough to attend the marriage of his sister, Miss Adine Seale to Mr. Frank Burt on Jan. 16.

Miss Mittie Brock has returned from Sweetwater, where she spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Brock. Her sister, Miss Laura came back with her for a visit.

Sam Hamilton, of El Paso, spent a few days here during the holidays with his sister, Mrs. Harry Berry. He is one of Uncle Sam's "Regulars" belonging to Co. M. Seventh Infantry, at El Paso.

The case of J. M. Edwards of Baird, against the T. & P. Co. for injuries received in the yards here last year, has been settled by agreement, in which the Company agreed to pay him a certain amount and cost of suit.

W. H. Dawkins, of Admiral, was in town a few days ago and paid his subscription to THE STAR for the 23d time in advance and he says that in the 22 years that he has taking THE STAR he has missed only two copies, consequently he has received 1,142 copies of the paper.

Uncle Tom Norrell was in town this week and says THE STAR slighted him by not putting him down as a 30 years subscriber. He is a 30 year subscriber alright, haven't got time to look it up but think he paid up in advance several months before we began publishing the honor roll last Fall. Uncle Tom was a subscriber to the Tecumseh Banner, published by the editor of THE STAR in 1886, so he has paid for THE STAR for 31 years. Had all our subscribers been as prompt as Uncle Tom Norrell and the balance of the old guard we would have a meal sack full of silver more than we have.

NOTICE.

Because of the crowded condition of the First Grade of the Baird school, the School Board decided to have two sessions each day. Half of the students will come in the forenoon and the others will come in the afternoon. This will give the teacher more time with each child for individual work, and it is believed that better results will be obtained. The double session will begin January 15th. All parents who have children in that room will be notified as to whether their children will be expected to come in the forenoon or afternoon.

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Mrs. Nutter, of Kentucky, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Powell, and other relatives here.

Mrs. Selman Lones who spent the holidays in Baird with Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Lones has gone to Houston to spend a few weeks before returning to her home in Tulsa, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Stanley, Mrs. Ira Pratt and little daughter, Mrs. J. L. White and son, Braden, visited in Abilene Saturday, making the trip in Mr. Stanley's new Chevrolet car.

W. K. Boatwright, living on lower Deep Creek with his son, Homer, is making a specialty of registeree Herefords cattle. They were offered four thousand dollars for 20 cows a short time ago but refused to sell.

Holmes & Dunlap, agents for the Chevrolet automobile report the following sales since December 20th. T. E. Powell, Will Hinds and Wylie M. James, roadsters. E. M. Wristen Will McCoy, A. R. Kavanaugh, Bill Davidson Millard Ray and S. N. Strahan touring cars.

County Clerk Chas. Nordyke who has been absent for several months in Missouri taking treatment for rheumatism, returned home Christmas. He says he was helped considerably. Mr. Nordyke found a little daughter at his home, born during his absence.

LOST OR STRAYED, \$10 REWARD.

One black Jersey cow about eight years old, dehorned, no ear marks, branded W. P. on right hip, with a blotch brand under this. Had bull calf about 2 months old. This cow and calf disappeared from my pasture near Baird about one month ago. Will pay \$10.00 reward for information leading to recovery of these animals. W. C. Powell, 6-2t. Baird, Texas.

WE THANK YOU

We are thankful for every penny's worth of business we have had the past year, and the new year we are thanking you in advance for your much appreciated business and influence. For each of you we wish a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

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TO OUR FRIENDS AND PATRONS:

The year 1916 has passed into history and we desire to extend to you in a few simple words our genuine appreciation for your splendid support during the past year. No purchase has been too small to merit our warmest thanks, no act of courtesy to us has been overlooked, all have their place in the green spot of our memory.

We extend to you the warmest greetings of the season, and bespeak for you and those dear to you, the full measure of happiness and prosperity during the new year and the years to follow. May fortune deal as kindly to you in the future as you have dealt with us in the past, is our sincere wish.

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BAIRD, TEXAS

HOLIDAY SOCIAL AFFAIRS.

Mrs. L. M. Hadley entertained on Thursday afternoon, Dec. 21st. The house was beautifully decorated with Christmas greenery, tinsel balls and poinsettias. The score cards were Xmas postcards tied with tinsel. A dainty salad course was served with poinsettias on the plates as favors. The following were present: Mesdames H. D. Driskill, W. S. Hinds, J. R. Jackson, Ford Driskill, C. S. Gee, E. D. Driskill, Robert Nunnally, Ernest Cooke, Misses Clara Pearl Jackson, Birdie Powell, Lora Franklin, Lillie Powell, Alice Gilliland, Lillian Schwartz, Vida Gilliland, Aurelia Bowyer.

Mrs. H. D. Driskill entertained with a Bridge party last Saturday afternoon. Dainty Christmas score cards marked the places for the players at seven tables. The hostess assisted by her sister, Miss Lora Franklin, served refreshments of chicken salad, sandwiches, crackers, and coffee were served to Mesdames W. S. Hinds, J. R. Jackson, E. D. Driskill, C. S. Gee, Selman Lones of Tulsa, Okla.; Copeland of Big Springs, Kershner of Fort Worth, F. S. Bell, Elmer Walker of Fort Worth, F. L. Driskill, C. E. Walker, L. M. Hadley, Frank Hall, J. F. Boren. Misses Dora Buckles, Edith Collier, Inez Franklin, Laura Brock, Helen Walker, Clara Pearl Jackson, Vida and Alice Gilliland, Louise Faust.

Miss Helen Walker gave a miscellaneous shower to honor Miss Adine Seale whose marriage to Mr. Frank Burt is announced for Jan. 16th, 1917. Bridge was played at six tables after which refreshments were served. The hostess then handed the end of a ribbon to the honoree and said: "at the end of the ribbon you will find your old shoe, then you will know what to do," at the end of the ribbon she found an enormous shoe in which were the beautiful and useful gifts. Those present were Misses Adine and Marguerite Seale, Edith Collier, Laura Brock, Clara Pearl Jackson, Kathryn Boydston, Bettie Harris,

Wren Foy, Dora Buckles, Lillian Schwartz, Amy Bowyer and Lora Franklin. Mesdames F. L. Driskill, Frank Hall, Earl Hall, C. S. Gee, W. S. Hinds, E. D. Driskill, Orris Moore, H. D. Driskill, Chisenhall, F. S. Bell and E. H. Leach.

Mrs. J. R. Jackson entertained last Thursday with a Bridge party. Dainty Christmas score cards marked the places for the players at seven tables. Refreshments of banana salad, crackers, ice cream, coffee and cheese balls were served to Mesdames W. S. Hinds, Ramsey, Nunnally, Hadley, Walker, W. C. Powell, H. D. Driskill, Boren, Earl Hall, Frank Hall, Lelan Jackson, Leach, Gee, Misses Louise and Cosette Faust, Gilliland, Boydston, Ada and Jessie Powell, Hutchinson, Lora Franklin, Mildred and Katie Foy, Griggs, Collier, Brock, Clara Pearl Jackson, Marguerite and Adine Seale.

Mrs. W. S. Hinds entertained with a Bridge party last Tuesday afternoon. Bridge was played at seven tables, after which refreshments were served. Dainty boxes of candy were given the guests as favors. The guests were Mesdames Hadley, J. R. Jackson, Boren, H. D. Driskill, C. E. Walker, Phillips of Big Springs, Bell, Nunnally, Earl Hall, E. D. Driskill, Frank Hall, Cooke, Leach, Ramsey. Misses Ola and Blanch Hutchinson, Schwartz, Franklin, Bowyer, Jackson, Collier, Brock, Marguerite and Adine Seale, Boydston, Gilliland, Bernice Foy, Willis and Griggs.

Mr. and Mrs. John Asbury entertained a few friends at dinner at their home east of town on New Year's Day. Those who were present to partake of the splendid dinner and enjoy the hospitality of this pleasant home, were: Mr. and Mrs. D. S. McGee and children, Mrs. W. C. Asbury, Mr. and Mrs. J. Y. Gilliland, Mrs. John Estes, Misses Jean Lambert, Esther Belle Bowlin, Manche Gilliland, Messers R. Q. Evans, Royace and Jack Gilliland.

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Drs. Rea Bros. are well known throughout the United States. Their idea in extending this plan of free medical treatment is to secure in each community some evidence of their good work so as to benefit

them in securing more patients. The sick and those interested in the sick are invited to call. Married women must come with their husbands, and children, with their parents or guardians. Hours, 10 a. m. to 4 p. m.

OPLIN STATE BANK.

The First State Bank of Oplin was chartered last week with a capital stock of \$10,000. The officers and directors of the bank are:

Tom Windham, President
G. O. Cresswell, Vice-President
W. S. Hinds, Vice-President
Ben Allen, Cashier.
T. A. Irvin and J. C. Steakley, Directors.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

Sunday, Jan. 7th, 1917.
Methodist Sunday School.
Number present - 117
Collection - \$18.13
Baptist Sunday School.
Number present - 170
Collection - \$3.50
Presbyterian Sunday School
Number present - 117
Collection - \$2.66
Church of Christ Sunday School.
Number present - 91
Collection - \$9.75
Chapters read - 737
Total Attendance - 495
Total Collection - \$34.30

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Notice to Creditors of the Estate of J. M. McCanlies, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that original letters of administration upon the estate of J. M. McCanlies, deceased, were granted to me, the undersigned, on the 5th day of December, A. D. 1916, by the County Court of Callahan County, Texas. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same to me within the time prescribed by law. My residence and post-office address is Moran, Route 2, Shackelford County, Texas.

L. C. McCanlies,
Administrator of the Estate of J. M. McCanlies, Deceased. 5-4tp.

MOVED

D. W. Young has moved his Tailor Shop to the building between The Home National Bank and Fulton's Barber Shop. We learn that Will Boydston will move his stock of dry goods into the building vacated by Mr. Young.

The two National Banks of Baird report deposits subject to check \$380,000. (see bank reports in this issue). Just about this time 29 years ago we published a report of the First National Bank of Baird, the only bank in the county at that time and deposits then were less than \$20,000. Now the county has nine banks with deposits of perhaps over six hundred thousand dollars. The deposits then were about \$6. per capita, the deposits now about \$42. It is comforting to know that some people have money, but THE STAR man's bank account shows no increase, we regret to say.

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