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OUR MOTTO—"Tis neither birth, nor wealth, nor state, but get up-and-get that makes men great."

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THE BAIRD STAR, BAIRD, TEXAS,—IN ITS FIFTY-SEVENTH YEAR

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1944.

## We Expect a Rousing Bond Rally Here Saturday



OUR BOYS

THANKS A LOT, R. L.,

For your Camp Parks, Calif., letter, January 23, 1943 (bet you meant 1944), which says:

"Dear Sir: I have just finished reading the Baird Star, and enjoy it very much, and am sending you my new address. I wish you all the the success in the 4th War Loan Drive, and would like to have met you while I was there but was unable to spend as much time in Baird as I would like to have. The old home town sure looked good and hope it won't be long before we all can come back to stay. Yours truly, R. L. Darby, s. f. 10c, Co. A, 14th U.S.N. C.B., Camp Parks, Calif."

Now it is beginning to dawn on me WHY we have been fed up on and trained in the use of initials during the last ten years . . . get a load of them after any service man's name.

MRS. GAY CAZARES

Arrived here Saturday from Palm Springs, Calif., for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Jones. She plans to leave soon to rejoin her husband, First Lieut. Gay Cazares, who is stationed at the Thermal Air Base, near Palm Springs.

MRS. VIRGIL HUGHES AND

Mrs. Herbert Buckner visited their son and brother, Lieut. and Mrs. M. Crawford Hughes at Gainesville, Sun day and Monday. Mrs. Hughes also visited her brother, W. B. Crawford and wife in Fort Worth, Texas. Mrs. Buckner went on to Savanna, Okla., where she visited with her husband, who accompanied her to Warrensburg, Mo., where they will live. He has recently been transferred from Miss. to the Army Air Base there.

SGT. A. K. MINIX,

Formerly of Denton, brother of Mrs. O. G. South of Baird, has recently landed in New Guinea, with a medical corps.

JOE BOYCE ROSS,

Radio man, 2nd Class, has been awarded the purple heart. He was killed when the Japs bombed Pearl Harbor. He was the first Callahan boy to lose his life in this war.

HALT! WHO GOES THERE?

British soldier. Pass British soldier. Halt! Who goes there? Free-French soldier. Pass Free-French soldier. Halt! Who goes there? Who intehell wants to know? Pass American soldier.

WHAT OF MY SON?

How did he come ont? Those are

### "We Are Buying Extra War Bonds—Are You?"



Pvt. Olin W. Dennis, 25, Delmar, Md., was shot through the leg by a sniper at Alcatraz, Africa. He has been in the Halloran Hospital for over six months because of a bone infection. He is buying Bonds regularly.



Sgt. Edwin Johnson, 27, Long Island, City, N. Y., suffered shrapnel wounds in throat and neck when a Stuka bombed an ammunition truck he was driving in Sicily. He couldn't speak for two months but has since appeared at Bond rallies.



Pvt. James C. McNally, 36, New York City, suffered a fractured leg when his supply truck hit a road mine in Algeria. That's all he remembers. He has a brother in the Signal Corps. His wife works, buys Bonds regularly.



Pvt. Arthur Bevis, 22, Bascom, Fla., went through African campaign without a scratch but in Sicily one of his buddies stepped on a mine. Bevis' leg was amputated, shrapnel partially paralyzed his fingers. He wears the Purple Heart, buys Bonds, too.



Pvt. Benjamin Ayscue, 26, Henderson, N. C., received compound fracture of leg and other injuries in Sicilian campaign when his truck ran over a mine. Ayscue has brother in the army, is married and has one child. Family buys Bonds regularly.

## We Can't Let These Fellows Down! Baird Rally February 5, Ought to Complete the \$275,000.00

some of the questions that sledgehammer my mind when I pick up a paper and read:  
"Pearl Harbor, Jan'y 30,—Carrier task forces pounded Kwajalein and other Jap bases with hundreds of thousands of bombs today!" and I am not alone in this! There are over the United States 100's of 1000's of us holding our breaths in fear.

LETTER FROM SERGEANT

L. H. Andrews, Wichita Falls, orders his address changed, and adds: "We receive our paper every week and enjoy it very much." Thanks.

CLARENCE G. HODGES, S2-c

Who left Baird 2 months ago for San Diego, now gets his mail at the Fleet Post Office, Seattle, Wash. Mrs. Hodges and their four children remained here.

GLYNN R. GIBSON GM3-c

USN,says Christmas does come in January! He writes from a Foreign Port that although a bit late, he has finally begun receiving his Christmas mail.

41 letters, Christmas cards, packages, and 12 Baird Stars, at one time  
He says, "Believe me, reading 12 Baird Stars is going to fill in some of my spare time, for a while, too."

RICHARDSON CUNNINGHAM,

—One of Uncle Sam'sSeabees over on Attu, got a 30 days leave, and came home to see Mrs. Cunningham and the youngsters, and old friends.

ROBERT L GREEN WRITES

his mother, Mrs. Stella Smith, that he has been promoted to Staff-Sergeant. He also writes that he gets and enjoys the Baird Star.

She renewed his subscription and did not complain because we must charge more for theStar to the boys. She said, "As long as he can get it, it is worth it to him and to me, knowing he wants it."

Rob't is oneof the 165th that put the Japs out of Makin of the Gilbert group of islands.

In December the boys on the Island observed "Texas Day" and the attendance was more than 1000. He met that day one Baird boy, Soion Melton. He occasionally goes to Honolulu to see Mr. and Mrs. Judson Achison, where he fills up on home news and good food, for she is an expert cook. Mr. Achison is a brother of Mrs. Haynie Gilliland.

CLIFFORD DUNN, JR.

Fire Controlman, 2nd Class, on a Destroyer down under, by coming in for a visit with homefolks. Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Dunn, and friends. Mr. Dunn, Sr., is forman of the A-BAR ranch.

He was out 150 miles from Pearl Harbor when the Japs appeared, and has been in eight or nine naval engagements, but returns unscathed. He reports back soon at San Diego, for re-assignment; this time for college training.

Subscribe for Baird Star — \$1.50 in, \$2.00 out.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, FEB. 5

Is the date and time for the Baird Bond Rally, and we are expecting every one to do his duty: be present, help subscribe, do such a good job of it that when we make the closing report of the drive every son of Callahan county will be proud of us.

There is an obligation resting on each of us to help this thing end quickly and successfully for our side: the time for arguing has passed: there is nothing but work and fight for all of us.

Major Evans and the Camp Barkley band will be here; Judge Freeman, county chairman, Ben L. Russell, local chairman, and all the co-workers will be in evidence, taking advantage of the background the Major will create for a successful bond drive.

\$272,000 is a lot of money. It is costing a lot of money to wage this war. The continuance of our way of life is worth more than all the rest.

What Clyde, Oplin, Cottonwood, Cross Plains, Putnam and all the other points have done will be read ont here that day, and the final tally will be kept for you, as bond after bond is pledged.

If the gods are propitious and give us such a Saturday as this Saturday January 29, as I write this appeal there ought to be ten thousand people here rededicating themselves to the unfinished task before us.

The spirit of the Lincoln, when he read his Gettysburg talk, should infuse all of us, and we should rededicate our lives to the task of seeing that the boys at Bataan, at Corregi-

dor, at Salerno, at Attu, at Pearl Harbor, at the hundreds of other points did not fight and die in vain.

HELLO THERE, DEAR MOTHER:

Again I take my pen in hand to write I know not what.

The weather here is sometimes cold and sometimes very hot.

But whether weather — what the heck — the climate is a bore.

(I wonder how you folks at home are living thru the war.)

We sometimes eat, we sometimes don't, the food ain't worth a damn.

I shudder at the mention of that awful dish called Spam.

And yearn to eat a shrimp cocktail, perhaps a juicy steak.

And finish up with apple pie and a peace-time stomach ache.

The local girls are joyless drips, compared to girls I know.

They paint and powder, dye their hair until it looks like glue;

They cannot dance, they never pet nor raise a voice in song.

And when they make a date to dine—well, mama treks along.

All thru the fish and eggs and wine her dark eyes sharply glare, And if you thought an errant thought, you drop't it then and there.

Pappa is quite the other way; he never means or frets.

But parks beside his bottle and smokes Your cigarettes.

A curfew rings at nine o'clock and the bars are closed at eight.

And heaven help the luckless guy who strolls the streets too late.

For M. P.'s lurk in every door.



their muscles poised to spring. And if a lecture's all you get, you have a right to sing.

The movie shows are dreadful — you've seen the films before —

But what a treat to rest your feet and see them all once more.

The actors swilling cocktails as they lounge on silken beds

(I wish they'd try my straw-filled cot, those hollywoodenheads.)

The native is so picturesque in tattered robes and gown, a ragged beard.

A flea or two, a mighty Moslem frown, and habits rare (to say the least)

He leaves me feeling numb when he grabs my hand and begs me for a stick of gum.

Well, that in total, is the news of Africa.

I miss you very much, I Am Glad That You're Not Here.

Love,  
Robert L. Jones.

TELEGRAM TO MR. AND MRS.

Ace Hickman, Feb. 1, from Mr. and Mrs. Ross Brisson, stating that their only son, Ross H., fell from a tree, and was killed by the fall.

These good people lived here four years, while Mr. Brisson served as county agent.

MRS. BLACKBURN REPORTS —

That the ladies have completed this quarter's Quota of Surgical pads 30,000 of them, 2" by 2".

So the rooms will be closed until March when another heavy quota will be undertaken.

She promises us a fuller report next week. She is a power of inspiration to the ladies working with her, and they deserve much praise for their faithfulness and constancy in the matter.

OUR LOCAL BANK

Reports up to Saturday night it had accounted for over \$70, 000 in cash for 4th War Loan. Judge Free-

and reported that Cross Plains sold over \$82,000, maturity value, last Saturday.

Judge reports -18,000 sold at the Clyde rally; Oplin sold \$13,000 and Cottonwood \$5,000, all on maturity value. Many, of course, are pledges but the leaders affirm that every pledge will be made good—they did last drive.

Postmaster Gilliland reports sale of \$1069 at Baird office.

### "We Are Buying Extra War Bonds—Are You?"



Sgt. Samuel Jones, Jr., Wilkes-Barre, Pa., has been a doughboy for four years. He was wounded during the North African campaign by enemy machine gun fire. Since his return he has aided greatly in the sale of War Bonds and buys plenty himself.



Sgt. Nicholas Miller, Paterson, N. J., won the Silver Star for rescuing two comrades under fire at El Guita. His knee cap was broken and the cartilage torn out and at present cannot move his knee. Halloran Hospital doctors are trying to correct this. He buys Bonds.



Pvt. Louis Bielmeier, 32, of New York, was wounded by arterial shell during the Sicilian campaign. He has a brother in the Marines. Private Bielmeier and his wife and brother are buying War Bonds regularly. Are you doing the same?



Pvt. Clarence Clark, 21, Swampers, La., has two brothers in the service, one in the Army and the other in the Navy. He was wounded in the right leg and both feet in the North African campaign and is now at Halloran General Hospital. He buys War Bonds.



Pvt. Pasquale Galella, New York, went through the North African campaign without a scratch but was wounded during the invasion of Sicily and is now in traction at Halloran Hospital. He has a brother in the Navy and has War Bonds and is buying more.



**WANT ADS**

**FOR SALE:**  
Gas cook stove. Mrs. C. D. Jones, Box 673, Baird, Texas. 1tp..2-4-44

**FOLKS DO BE FUNNY!**  
Now comes on to be heard Miss Boydston, Will's daughter, who just whales the editor over the head with: **FRUIT TREES; PAPER SHELL PECAN TREES; FAT HOGS FINE PIGS CHEAP**

Freshly dug pecans, peaches and plums pears, apples, grapes, berries persimons and nectarines. Save money by digging your own pecan trees here. Time to buy fat hogs and plant here. Visit **SHANK'S NURSERIES HOG FARM**, 1-2 mile north of the city of Clyde, Texas. 2tp..2-12-44

**HOUSE FOR SALE--**  
Located one block southeast of courthouse in Baird. See Hazel Emerson, Clyde, Texas. 1tp..2-5-44

**FOR SALE—Good used tractors,** and equipment. John Deere, Farm-All, Case, Allis-Chalmers. See Delma Johnson, John Deere Dealer, Coleman, Texas. 4tc—2-10-44

**FOR SALE:**  
Gas cook stove. Mrs. C. D. Jones, several small farms, chicken ranch, close-in acreage, city property. Some terms can be arranged. List your property with me have cash buyers. —Chas. L. Robinson Jackson Abstract Bldg., Phone 60, Baird, Texas. 1tp..2-4-44.

**WANTED—Yard man,** once a week. See Mrs. R. L. Griggs 2-4 till

**MRS. ROSA RYAN.**  
Our County Librarian, reports 27 new articles added to the museum corner of the Callhaan County Library. 360 books were added in 1943, 221 donated. There were 3,721 books issued in 1942 against 4,280 in 1942, and 5,125 in 1941.

Shortage of gas as well as shortage of folks accounts for the loss.

**WE TAKE THIS MEANS**  
Of expressing to you our heartfelt gratitude for your assistance in any way during the illness and death of our beloved husband and father. We wish especially to thank Dr. Griggs, nurses, ladies who prepared meals, those who sent beautiful flowers, the pall bearers, Rev. Connell, and Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Wylie. Your kindness will be remembered always.

Mrs. W. E. Gillit and Family

**PRICE ELLIS DIED**  
January 31, and was buried in the Ross Cemetery, Feb. 1, with services at the graveside by Rev. Hicks of the local Methodist Church.

He was 81 years old, and leaves many friends and relatives to mourn his going.  
Pall Bearers: Lonnie Ray, Robert Estes, R. E. Jones, D. J. Anderson, Frank Estes, and J. A. Brashear.

**GRADE AND STRUCTURE**  
—On highway No. 183 have been completed, according to resident Eng Roberts. But topping is a far off!

When this road is completed, it will be of great service to the folks north and south of Baird.

**IF WE WERE TO START TO**  
Listing the charming young ladies who help keep the home fires aglow it is quite possible we would head the list with Maxine Hutchins. Guess why!

**NOTICE**  
Having sold our cleaning and pressing shop business, we will appreciate it if all those having clothes in the shop now, will call for them at your earliest convenience. We wish to thank all our customers for their patronage extended us thru the long years (now 27), and we assure you it has been a pleasure to serve you. Sincerely yours, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Williams (Williams Cleaners).

**WANT A NEW CAREER?**

YOU CAN very likely find just the chance you're looking for—in the WAC.

If you haven't a skill. Army experts will teach you. Perhaps you'd like to drive a jeep, work a teletype machine, or help direct airplane traffic.

Whatever you do, you will get the vauable training.....Learn interesting things.....AND HELP GET THIS WAR WON!

TODAY---get full details at the nearest U. S. Army Recruiting Station (your local post office will give you the address). Or write the Adjutant General, Room 4415, Munitions Building, Washington, D. C.

**THE WILLIAMS SELL**  
Their Cleaning and Pressing Business to Mr. and Mrs. B. Johnson of Abilene, and they have taken over. We regret to see the Williams go out of business, and welcome the Johnsons to town.

**ANNOUNCING**  
To the Citizens of Baird and community that we've bought Williams Cleaning and pressing business, and invite you to continue your patronage with us: We shall try to give you all that good cleaning and pressing which you have been accustomed to, giving each garment our best at-

tention. We shall make no change in prices, at the present.

Johnson Cleaners. **WEDNESDAY LUNCHEON CLUB**

Was wellfed, and led by Judge Freedland on invitation of Mr. L. L. Blackman, who plead headache.

The matter of co-operating with the County Home Dem. and County agent in encouraging gardening this year was discussed, and Messrs. Ace Hickman, Jack Ashlock and E. L. Woodley were appointed a committee to work out plans for a contest in gardening, and prizes to be given.

Judge Freedland announced that 2 soldiers who have seen service in the

**4th WAR LOAN**  
Let's All Back The Attack

Pacific and in Africa, will be here Thursday night at the Methodist C. to tell us how horrible the war is. Miss Dickerson and a high school student were guests.

**IMPORTANT WASTE PAPER**

Drive notice! The town has been divided into four sections, and the following women are leaders: Mrs. R. L. Alexander, northwest; Mrs. C. Dyer, northeast; Mrs. Rupert Jackson, Southwest; Mrs. John McGowen, southeast. The call will be made within few days for you to deliver your paper at some central point.

**4-H CLUB BOYS**  
Have bought Texas Hybrid No. 12 seed corn to plant 30 acres, and 400 pounds of certified hegari, bonita, and plainsman sorghum. The last two sorghums may be combined in harvesting.

These boys are participating: H. Bains, Barney Ransberger, Frank Parker, all of Bayou; Manton Reid, John Jo McBride, Lowell Johnson of Oplin; Junior Tatum, Lodis Harper, Dale Ellis of Putnam; Joe Milliron, John Howe, Don Spikes, Edgar Benson, Wayne Davis, Billy Brock, Ersal Johnson, Bobby Jones, Lee Smith of Eula; and R. Q. Black, C'wood.

**WHAT THE WRONG LETTER**  
Can do for your story: "Did you meet the Colonel again?" "Yes I (p)et him in London, in Chicago, in Washington!"

Then you think the task of producing a paper a small matter? If so, count the letters in this issue, and remember that the wrong key may be struck that many times!

**OLD FIDDLERS CONTEST**

at Plaza Theatre, Baird, Texas

Commencing Tuesday, February 8th.

Anyone wishing to compete in this contest please contact J. C. "Pop's Lee", Plaza Theatre, Baird, Texas.

There will be prizes for the best fiddlers, also a prize for the oldest FIDDLE brought to the contest.

Come all you old fiddlers—take down that fiddle and bow. Let's go for a real contest.

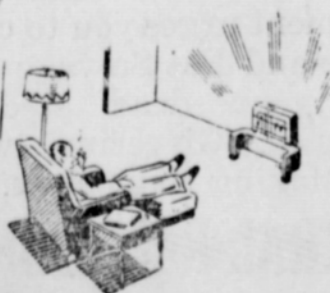
**MOTION of AIR**

is important in reducing "WALL SWEATING" where open flame unvented heaters are used

A free motion of warmed air, fresh and filled with oxygen, should be kept circulating through connecting doors of all rooms in homes where open flame, unvented heaters are used. Motion of air is about as important as proper ventilation if "wall sweating" is to be held in check and healthful living conditions maintained.

In using unvented heaters, there's no fire pipe in which products of combustion may be carried from the room. So water vapor (a product of combustion) from the burning fuel is expelled into the room air. By opening a window slightly and leaving connecting doors open for a free circulation of fresh air, there's no chance for the air to become stagnant and saturated with moisture and collect on walls, windows, furnishings and other cold surfaces.

**Make Your Home Modernization Plans Now**



The unvented heater is practical for quick heat and is used with satisfaction if proper ventilation and motion of air are provided.

When the war is over and the peace is won you'll want to carry out your plans for stepping up your heating to circulating heat as supplied by VENTED circulators and floor furnaces. Buy bonds to hasten the day.

**LONE STAR GAS COMPANY**

**YOU CAN STILL BUY GOOD SHOES!**

Read What the Nation's Largest Shoe Manufacturer Has To Say:

A Vital Message To All Shoe Buyers FROM THE International Shoe Company

BECAUSE there has been considerable misunderstanding regarding the quality of shoes now available to civilians, it is important that you become acquainted with the facts.

Perhaps this message from America's largest manufacturer of shoes will be helpful to you. At present, our Government has first call on shoe materials. Millions of pairs of shoes are being manufactured annually for our armed forces. These shoes are built according to rigid government standards. Only the best materials and skilled workmanship are suitable. Neither you nor we would have it otherwise. Victory demands it.

But—does that mean good shoes—dependable shoes—are not to be had by civilians? Not at all—you can still buy good shoes. The honor and integrity of the International Shoe Company stand behind that statement. We, as well as other shoe manufacturers, could

make more shoes were we willing to disregard quality—but quality is the essence of this message—and this company is determined not to use present conditions as an excuse for lowering the moral standards of its product—standards maintained for more than forty years.

Despite heavy demand from our armed forces, there is still a sufficient quantity of good, serviceable shoe material available to meet essential civilian requirements. We assure you that we will continue to manufacture shoes that will return full value for your dollar—and satisfactory shoe mileage.

You may continue to have confidence in the shoes made for men, women, and children by this company. We shall keep faith with the wearers of our shoes.

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Raymond ... President

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These Nationally Famous Shoes are Featured at Our Store

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