

The Gorman Progress

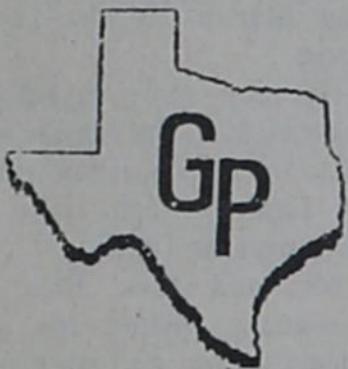
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GORMAN, EASTLAND COUNTY, TEXAS 76454

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Press Points

Joe Bennett, Publisher

The old weatherman has been a little better to us the past few days. It has warmed up considerably from the c-c-o-l-d days and nights we suffered through there for awhile. It is anticipated that the temperatures will drop some again, but there is no moisture forecast to worry about it freezing on the roads and walks. Maybe it has decided to go ahead and turn back into spring again. Boy, don't bet on that! We are sure to have another good spell or two of bad weather before Spring springs again.

We have lost several of our senior citizens recently and everyone is a little low right now. We hope and pray that the Good Lord will not take another of our senior citizens soon. This city is an ideal place for retired citizens to live and enjoy life. We feature a lot of different activities in Gorman for senior citizens and they always enjoy all these activities. If you have a loved one in the senior citizens bracket, or know of someone retiring and looking for a quiet place to move to to enjoy the good life, tell them about Gorman. This does make an ideal retirement town, and you are still close enough to the bigger towns if you wish to visit them at any time.

We have housing available for folks to come to Gorman, either public housing or private houses for sale or rent at the right price. So let's all try to sell our City as a good retirement town and urge folks to come to Gorman for their retirement years.

Local politics, county, state, and national politics is heating up a little now. And before you know it "Super Tuesday" (March 8th) will be here. So please get all the information you can on the candidates so that you can make the right decision on election day.

It seems that the Republicans are beginning to jump on one another now in the "heat of the battle" to see who will be the presidential nominee for the Republican party. And it seems that the Democrats are having a hard time trying to get a candidate who can withstand all the scrutiny and investigation that seems to hit any of the Democratic hopefuls. Surely there are a few "good" men out there for the Democrats to latch on to.

Anyway, it is going to be very interesting to see just who finally comes out as "the" candidates for the Republican and Democratic parties in the Presidential Elections.

There are some very good basketball games being played in our area and our Gorman teams are having a good time this season. So if you love basketball, be sure and turn out for the games.

And remember to smile - because God Loves You!

CARD OF THANKS

We would like to express our sincere thanks to all our friends at the passing of our loved one.

We appreciate all the many flowers, the prayers, food, cards, visits, memorial gifts and other acts of kindness shown us at this time.

A special thanks to the New Hope Baptist Church, Bro. Richard Watson and all who helped with the sings and playing the organ. Also to Ray Daniels and the Higginbotham Funeral Home staff and all who assisted.

May God bless each of you.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Treadway
Mr. and Mrs. Orval Treadway
Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Rogers
Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Johnson
Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Treadway

NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Welch, Melissa and Allison of De Leon visited Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Parr. They attended the morning worship services at the First United Methodist Church and later helped Bill celebrate his birthday with a dinner in Stephenville.

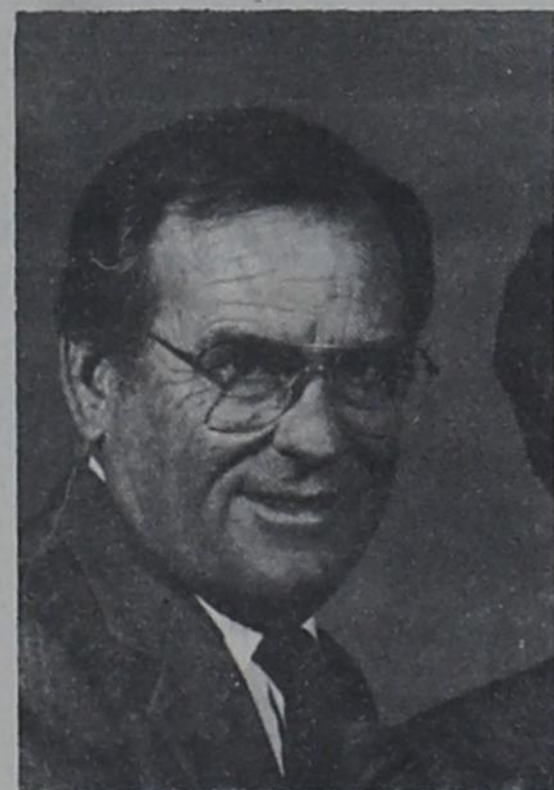
Annette Dawn Priddy and Robert Kent Cummings To Pledge Vows



Mr. and Mrs. Garth Priddy of Desdemona, Texas wish to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Annette Dawn, to Mr. Robert Kent Cummings of Odessa. Miss Priddy is a 1987 graduate of De Leon High School and is currently attending Tarleton State University as an English Education major. Mr. Cummings graduated from Eastland High School in 1985 and is also attending Tarleton State University studying Pre-Med. Mr. Cummings' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cummings, reside in Henderson, Texas.

The couple will exchange vows on March 12, 1988 at 7:00 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church in De Leon, Texas. Miss Priddy is the granddaughter of the late Ben O. Koonce and Ruth Koonce of Desdemona, Texas and Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Priddy of Rising Star, Texas.

Dee Hogan To Seek Office Of County Sheriff



Dee Hogan has filed in Eastland County for the office of Sheriff.

He and his wife, Jo, reside in Eastland. They have two daughters, Carala of Oklahoma City and Deanna of Dallas and four grandchildren. They currently attend the First Baptist Church in Olden.

Dee, age 56, is a native of Eastland County, having attended Morton Valley and Eastland schools. He also attended the University of Southern California where his studies included police sciences and administration.

His experience in law enforcement includes uniformed patrolman, plain clothes detective, Lieutenant of Detectives, Chief of the Crime Prevention Bureau, Deputy Sheriff's Commission and Chief Juvenile Probation Officer.

Other valuable administrative training has been derived from his employment with two of the top "100" largest corporations, where he served in management.

At the present time he serves as the tri-county representative for Panasonic and Savin Corporation in the distribution and sales of office equipment.

Dee believes his experience and academic background will bring to this office of Sheriff the wide range

Local Students Receive Degrees At Tarleton State U

Two local students were among those receiving degrees at Tarleton State University in winter commencement exercises held on Saturday, December 19th.

Terrye K. Nickels, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Fred Jeffs of Gorman graduated with honors.

She received a BBA in Business Administration.

Also Nancy Tidwell Bond of Desdemona received her MAT in Government.

CARD OF THANKS

Our love and appreciation to all who showed so much concern for our father, George F. Bennett, throughout his latter years and to the staff of Canterbury Villa for the many hours of loving care.

A special thanks to Rev. Ron Carroll, the Baptist Choir, Juanita Fuller and the pallbearers. Also for the lovely flowers, memorials, cards and the food brought to our home.

A deep appreciation to Imá Brown, Jana Grice and Jackie Frasier for serving meals and caring for us at this time.

Geo. Elbert, Cora Lee Bennett and family
Vernon, Alva Bennett and family
Earl and Betty Little and family

EASTLAND COUNTY PEANUT PRODUCTION REPORT UPDATED

The following report will be updated periodically as additional producers report their production figures.

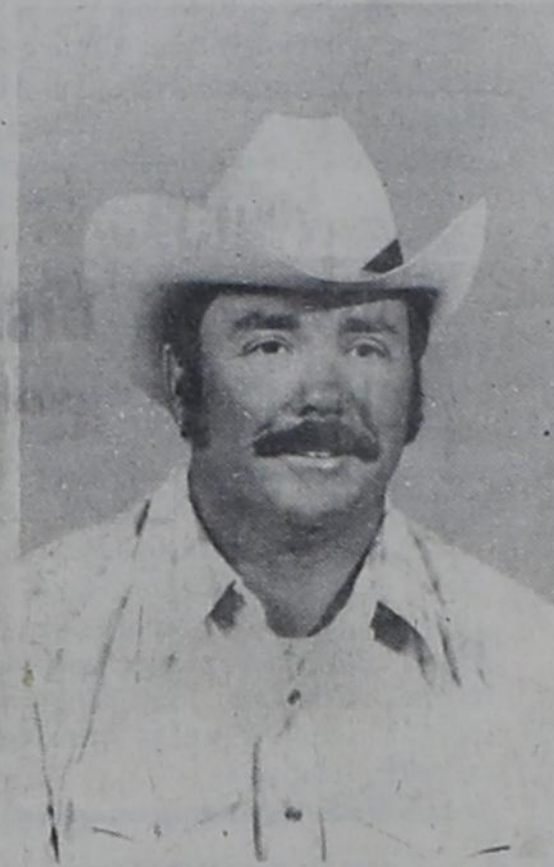
As of January 11, 1988, the following figures were reported:

Total Planted	Acres
Total Planted Acres	26,965.2
Planted Acres Reporting	17,744.2
Pounds Harvested	25,845,000
Average Yield Per Acre	1,456.5

of perception required to effectively cope with crime and drug enforcement in Eastland County.

He will have a formal statement at a later date.

Dicky Burgess To Seek Precinct 3 Commissioner Post



Dicky Burgess has authorized the Gorman Progress to announce his candidacy for the office of County Commissioner of Precinct 3 of Eastland County, which includes the Carbon, Gorman and Rising Star area.

Mr. Burgess is married to the former Madge Justice and the couple have one son, Shane, who attends Gorman Schools. Burgess graduated from Graham High School and has a BS degree from Tarleton State University in Ag Education. He did his student teaching in the Rising Star Schools. He is presently employed with Featherlite Corporation of Ranger. He is also engaged in the ranching profession. The family has lived in the Carbon area for about twenty years.

Burgess stated he will have a formal statement at a later date.

Services For May Blacklock Held On Tuesday

May Blacklock, 90, passed away in the Ranger Hospital on Sunday.

Services were held at 11 a. m. Tuesday at First Baptist Church in Ranger with the Rev. Bill Chambers officiating. Burial was in Eastland City Cemetery with Edwards Funeral Home in charge.

Born in Sipe Springs, she had lived in Ranger for most of her life. She taught school at Lickskilllet, worked at Eastland County courthouse and had operated Magnolia Distributorship for six years. She owned and operated Blacklock Feed and Seed for 15 years and Blacklock Grocery for 20. She graduated from Carbon High School. She was a member of the First Baptist Church and Woodmen of the World.

Survivors include two sons, Gayle Blacklock of Midland and Joe Don Blacklock of Ranger; a daughter, Mary Blair of Abilene; a sister, Virgie Lee Hampton of Dumas; five grandchildren, five great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren.

EXTENSION HOMEMAKER COUNCIL & COMMITTEES TO MEET JANUARY 19th

The 1988 Extension Homemakers Council committees will be meeting on Tuesday, January 19th at 10 a. m. in the Texas Utility Electric Reddy Room in Eastland.

A noon luncheon will follow. Smoked turkey will be provided. Everyone is asked to bring a dish of food for the "pot luck" luncheon.

Immediately following, the E. H. Council will meet. It is anticipated that we will adjourn by 1:30 or no later than 2 p. m.

4-H CLOTHING PROJECTS TO GET UNDERWAY SOON

4-H clothing projects will soon be starting. All 4-H parents that will be willing to assist with the clothing projects are urged to contact Mrs. Janet Thomas, County Extension Agent, 629-2222.

A County-wide 4-H Clothing Work Shop will be hosted on Saturday, January 30th at 9:30 a. m. in the TU Electric Reddy Room in Eastland. An interesting program is being planned for the leaders and 4-Hers which will also include a video on the national 4-H fashion show.

All 4-Hers are urged to attend and be a part of the 4-H clothing project.

TIME CHANGES ON BASKETBALL GAMES

The times for Basketball Games at Baird on Friday will be as follows:

VARSITY GIRLS - 5:00 p.m.

VARSITY BOYS - 6:30 p.m.

JUNIOR VARSITY - 8:00 p.m.

Annie Curb Laid To Rest Here Tuesday

Annie Catherine Curb, 73, passed away on Sunday, January 9 in the De Leon Hospital.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 p. m. Tuesday at the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Ron Carroll officiating, assisted by the Revs. Richard Watson and Terry Moffett. Burial was in the Gorman Oaklawn Cemetery.

Born in Mills County, she was a longtime resident of Gorman. She was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include three sons, Riley Noel Curb of Springfield, Va., and Dale and Don Curb, both of Gorman; two sisters, Sue Langley and Janice Holmsley, both of Comanche; six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Gorman Boys and Baird Girls Win PTO Tourney

The Baird girls team took first place in the Gorman PTO basketball tournament held here the past weekend.

Second place winner was Lingleville, with the Eastland 8th grade team taking third and Eastland 7th grade getting the consolation prize.

In the boys bracket, Gorman 8th grade took first place honors. Eastland 8th grade won second place, and Lingleville took third place honors. Eastland 7th grade was the consolation winner.

The Gorman PTO expresses their appreciation for the fans and players for making their tournament a success.

KEEPING UP WITH FRIENDS

Visitors in the home of Lorene Foster during the holidays were her sons, wives and grandchildren, Gene Carolyn, Lisa and Joe of Gorman, Nevin and Kathy Foster of Carlsbad, N. M. and his daughter, Cindy Foster of Fort Worth.

Earl Ray Roberts and Ann of Corpus Christi and their daughters and grandchildren, Debbie Westfall and son, Austin, of Philadelphia, Pa., and Kathy Akers and husband, Vic and their children, Bronson and Malory also visited with Lorene.

ITEM OF INTEREST

CRIMESTOPPERS will meet the First Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Senior Center Center.

GORMAN HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD will meet the Second Tuesday of each month at 2:00 p.m. in the Assembly Room of High Rise Apartments.

GORMAN CHAPTER 443 O.E.S. meets First Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

GORMAN LODGE NO. 716 AF&AM stated meetings Second Tuesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. Members are urged to attend. Visitors welcome.

BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC at the Senior Center every 3rd Wednesday of each month from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

ALCOHOL AND DRUG PREVENTION COUNCIL - 595 Vanderbilt, Stephenville, Texas 76401. Phone 817-965-5515.

New Address for **AA and AL-ANON** is 506 Sipe Springs Highway - old Agriculture Building. Meetings held at 8 P.M. on Monday and Thursday nights. For AA information Call 893-5291. FOR AL-ANON information Call 893-5753 or 734-3177.

GORMAN BUSINESS ALLIANCE will meet the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month at the Senior Citizens Center. Everyone Invited.

NEED A RIDE? First Baptist Church Van runs at 9:30 a.m. for Sunday School and 5:45 p.m. for Sunday Evening Services. Call the church at 734-2420. Everyone welcome.

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5-7-FNC.

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SCHOOL HILL NEWS

By Mrs. Oma Lee Ridell
Phone 758-2537

Don and Joyce Sims of Lingleville, Jennifer, Courtney and Lindsey Moon of Dublin, Bobby, Mary and William Christian, and William and I enjoyed supper on Tuesday night with Patsy and J. C. Moon.

Lawrence and Patricia Outlaw left Sunday for Snyder. They will visit Patricia's family there. Lawrence and Patricia live in Concord, Virginia and have been visiting with S. L., Odessa and J. Lee Outlaw.

Earl Frasier of Fort Worth was visiting over the weekend with William.

Jane and Kate were singing the other day when Kate asked Jane to sing Si No. Jane told her that she didn't know that one. Kate said, "Oh! you do. It's about Jesus. You know "Jesus loves me this I know."

Patsy and J. C. Moon went to Austin on Tuesday to pick up Cindy Hatfield of Phoenix, Ariz. Cindy will spend a couple of weeks with them and other relatives.

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CARBON NEWS

DOROTHY JACKSON Ph 639-2540

Mother nature keeps throwing us curves with the weather situation. This past week more ice, but not as bad as Christmas week, even though the temperature was lower and stayed longer. We only had a trace of moisture from that system. This is the time of year for all kinds of undesirable weather. We need something to get rid of all those summer time insects. If I have to stay in much longer, I may resort to reading my "junk mail." Each day my mail box seems to be filled with one kind of

SCHOOL MENU

BREAKFAST
Tuesday - Oatmeal, juice and milk.
Wednesday - Toast, bacon, honey, juice and milk.
Thursday - Rice, juice and milk.
Friday - Pancakes, syrup, juice and milk.

LUNCH
Tuesday - Roast, gravy, potatoes, green beans, rolls, cherry cobbler and milk.
Wednesday - Chili, pinto beans, french fries, crackers, fruit and milk.
Thursday - Turkey, gravy, mashed potatoes, carrots, rolls, cookies and milk.
Friday - Hamburgers, tator tots, ice cream and milk.

Jesus said:
Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted. *Matthew 5:4*

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The Gorman Progress is authorized to make the following political announcements, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary on March 8, 1988.

House of Representatives:
District 17:
CHARLES W. STENHOLM (re-election)

Eastland County Sheriff:
DON UNDERWOOD (re-election)
DEE HOGAN

Eastland County Commissioner Pct. 3:
L. T. OWENS (re-election)
DICKY BURGESS

catalogue or another. I do take notice of the seed books, thinking if they are sending out these now, maybe Spring is not far away. We can hope can't we? With all the cold, icy weather, we all need to be extra careful if we must get out on the roads, or even if we stay home, we need to take precautions. We need to be extra careful with our fires, heating our homes or burning our trash, for those of us who live in the country. Each winter we always hear of so many bad fires. With all of the summer time rain, we have extra dead grass around, so lets be very careful with all our activities.

1988 is election year. Have you registered to vote? If not, you still have plenty of time. Its never too early to start making plans to as to the way we will vote. We need to keep our eyes and ears open so we might be better prepared to cast our vote when the date gets here. If I do not cast my vote, I feel I do not have a "gripe" when things go wrong.
Tuesday, January 5 Miss Mindy Stumm, bride-elect of Paul Reed,

was honored with a bridal shower. The occasion was hosted by the Carbon School faculty and staff in the school cafeteria. Cookies and punch were served to the guests. Mindy and Paul received many nice and useful gifts.

Miss Sherry Halford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Halford, was home with her parents and brother during the Christmas holidays. Sherry is serving her country in the U. S. Air Force. She is stationed in Northern Calif. Visiting in the Halford home with Sherry was a friend, Paul Martin. He also is in the Air Force.

Not many more basketball games. January 12th the high school traveled to Gorman. Carbon will host Eula on January 15th. Also will host Moran on the 19th.

Mr. and Mrs. Rick Taylor of Comanche visited his dad, Bro. Sheryl Taylor, and attended services at the Baptist Church.

January 18-20 is the State Evangelism Conference in Fort Worth. Make plans now to attend.

MAJESTIC THEATRE

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FEATURE TIMES:
FRIDAY - SATURDAY - SUNDAY - 7:30 p.m.
ALL SEATS - \$2.50

TOM WOPAT of the "Dukes of Hazzard" will be at the Majestic on January 28th with his country music band. Tickets are on sale now at area ticket outlets.

BRECKENRIDGE - Rafter F Western Wear CISCO - Madison's Western Store
EASTLAND - Radio Shack RANGER - Greer's Boot & Western Wear

Multi-Mile TIRE SALE

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P165/80R13	\$36.31
P175/80R13	\$37.85
P185/80R13	\$38.61
P185/75R14	\$40.42
P195/75R14	\$40.92
*P205/75R14	\$42.66
*P215/7514	\$44.53
P225/75R14	\$47.00
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CANTERBURY VILLA OF GORMAN

NANCY HENDRICKS Reporter

Our next birthday party will be Thursday, January 28th at 2 p. m. The Kokomo Extension Homemakers Club and Orvil and Jennie Newcome will come and help.

Honorees will be Iola Johnson, Jan. 12; Doc Hamilton, Jan. 18; Buddy Eaves, Jan. 17; and Berta Thomas, Jan. 23. Family members and guests are always welcome to come and share with their loved ones.

We regret losing George Bennett, age 91, who had been a resident for eight years.

His funeral was Thursday, Jan. 7 at 2 p. m. at Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Ron Carroll holding services. Interment was in Kokomo Simpson Cemetery.

He is survived by two sons, George Elbert of Gorman and Vernon Bennett of Crane; a daughter, Betty Jean Little of Albany; two brothers, Jim Bennett of Eastland and Roy of Big Springs; two sisters, Jessie Lee Jones and Purnia Faye Smith, both of Gorman; six grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and 1 great-great-grandchild.

We extend our sympathy to the family.

There will be a country-western musical Thursday, January 14th at 7 p. m. Everyone is invited to come be with us and enjoy the good music and singing.

We are always delighted to have our Sunday church services. At 2:30 p. m. those from the First Baptist Church of Gorman were Rev. Ron Carroll, Rose Tubbs, Brent Lasater and Darlene Carriker.

At 4 p. m. those from the Church of Christ were Bro. Curtis and Nita Maness, Bro. T. A. Grice, Gene Falls, Lorene Foster, Allie Moe George, Frankie and Georgie Stacy, Iris Smith, Dora Faye Brewer, Scythia Alldredge, Pernia Faye Smith, Janda and Tracey Taylor, Gregg, Kathy, Symantha, Jennie and Tana Goode, and Floydene Gilbert.

On Monday Betty De Priest, Irene West and Nancy Hendricks helped us play bingo. Velma Bennett sent golden delicious bananas for prizes. Winners were Berta Poynor, Veno Halé, Charlotte O'Neal, Cynthia Earles, Edna Morgan, Harley Rawls, Iola Johnson, Wilma Rawls, Bernice Haynes, Lonzo Coffman and Mary Emerson.

Visiting with Berta Poynor were Richard Kinsler of Eastland, Rev. and Mrs. Steven Webb and children of Richardson, Ward and Carolyn Webb of Granbury, Rhona Burney, James and Ruby Lee Kinsler, Nellie Lucky, Bro. Marion Dennis, Mayvis lasater, Tiny and Bert Frasier.

Lois Marie McDaniels of Eastland visited Ruby Vandergriff.

Ernest Curb of Indian Mountain visited Bernice Haynes.

Manie Little of Eastland and Jimmy and Verna Lee Little of Eastland visited Annie and Veno Hale.

Betty De Priest of Graham visited in the home.

Reece Rodgers of Ranger, Fred Stokes of Rising Star and Truitt Coffman of Gorman visited Lonzo Coffman.

Cynthia Earles visited with Vardie Faye and Freddie Huff on New Year's Day.

Lenis Rice and Ina Reynolds of Carbon visited Iola Johnson.

Pat, Bill and Kristen Locke of Burleson, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wyrick of Midland, Joe O'Neal, Marion Dennis, Ron Carroll, Estelle Dickey and Irene West visited Harley and Wilma Rawls.

On Tuesday at 2:30 p. m. we enjoyed the singing very much. Also the piano specials Billie Stacy played on the piano. Those coming were R. Lee McDaniels and Billie Stacy of Carbon, Willo Rice, Melba Frasier, Nina Joiner, Estelle Dickey, Oma Dee Garrett, Icy Munn, Nancy Hendricks and Velma Bennett.

Visiting Edna Morgan were Wynelle Brown and R. Lee McDaniels of Carbon.

It was nice of Ollie Rollins of Carbon to send us red apples for bingo prizes. Nancy Hendricks came Wednesday morning and helped. Winners were Jess Roberts, Lonzo Coffman, Wilma Rawls, and blackout winners were Cynthia Earles, Lonzo Coffman, Iola Johnson, Harley Rawls, Lorene Jay, Bernice Haynes, Berta Poynor, Alice Burleson, Jess Roberts and Wilma Rawls.

Bill Jay of Abilene visited his aunt, Lorene Jay.

Pleased to announce that we have a new nurses aide, Jolina Campbell, wife of Cary Campbell of Gorman. Her mother is Mary Alexander of De Leon. Cary's parents are Joan Fraley and Daniel Fraley of Gorman. Before coming to Gorman, Jolina worked at Weatherford Leisure Lodge.

We were grateful for the beautiful lap robes Mrs. Truman Been of Carbon gave us.

On Thursday at 1:30 Irene West and Nancy Hendricks helped us play bingo. Winners were Edna Morgan, Garnet Adams, Berta Poynor, and blackout winner was Berta Poynor.

GORDON SPOT

By Agent DeMarquis Gordon

The recent ice storm reminds us that we should be careful when using common salt on sidewalks, streets and driveways to keep them free of ice.

The salt may injure nearby trees, shrubs and other growing plants. As ice and snow melts, the water may drain into the lawn area, carrying the salt into the root zone of nearby plants. Visible effects of the salt injury may vary from marginal burning of the leaves, complete browning and death of the leaves, or, in extreme cases, loss of a prize tree or shrub.

What can be used to rid walkways of hazardous ice? Let me suggest using ammonia nitrate where drainage moves the water into lawn and shrub borders. This will fertilize the plants as well as melt the ice. If ammonium nitrate isn't available, any commercial fertilizer high in nitrogen and potassium or just nitrogen. Use only enough material to melt the ice since continued use over a long period can also damage plants.

Sand can be used on icy walks and drives to provide better traction.

So, before using salt on drives and walkways, check the drainage pattern to make sure its use will not damage valuable plants. A little caution at the time of application can prevent damage to valuable landscape trees.

You can also take certain steps to reduce or prevent freeze damage to landscape plants.

To reduce the likelihood of freeze damage, especially to evergreen plants, be sure to mulch root areas to prevent low soil temperature. This allows continued up-take of moisture and less chance of dehydration. Do not allow soil to become excessively dry. Water thoroughly before a freeze but do not water while ground is frozen.

Cover choice plants with large cardboard containers or by wrapping them with polyethylene film. If film is used, be sure to remove whenever direct sunlight hits it, as extremely high temperatures can develop and cause more damage to the plant than

KOKOMO NEWS

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The cold weather lingers on, but aren't we fortunate that we didn't have all the ice and snow that so many areas of our state had.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Lewis, Robert and Sarah of Desdemona, and Marla Smith were visitors at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday morning.

Those from the Kokomo Baptist Church going to Canterbury Villa in Gorman for the church service on Sunday afternoon were Bro. Clarence Wilson, Cynthia Wilson, Ava Rodgers, Jimmy Little, Nancy Hendricks, Berneice Rodgers, Bro. Joe O'Neal, Hope Joiner, Jr. Fairbetter was a guest.

Bruce Rodgers of Midlothian visited for several days last week with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Cullen Rodgers.

Mrs. Minnie Debnam of Lamesa and Mrs. Wanda Vredenburg of Abilene visited with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Clearman on Saturday.

Our sincere sympathy to the family of Mr. George Bennett, who was buried at Simpson Cemetery last week. The Bennetts were former residents of Kokomo.

Mrs. Glenn Jordan visited in Eastland on Saturday afternoon with Mrs. Ora Mae Jordan and her son, Otis Ray Jordan, and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bennett. Our sympathy to Ora Mae and her family. Her brother, Howard Rone of Fort Worth, passed away on Saturday. The funeral was in Fort Worth on Monday. Mr. Rone was a former resident of Eastland County.

The January Bible Study in Malachi is being taught on Sunday and

that caused by the cold.

Do not be over-anxious to remove plants that appear to have been killed by a freeze. Often damaged plants will send out new shoots from the roots. Unless they are budded or grafted plants, new growth will be the same as the original plants.

Careful pruning to encourage compact growth produce an attractive plant. Be sure to remove dead or damaged wood by pruning to good, sound tissue. However, wait until new growth starts before pruning so you can determine the extent of injury. Pruning too soon can result in removing too much uninjured wood or having to repeat the pruning operation because not all dead tissue was removed.

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Katz-Oz, Hightower review Texas-Israel Exchange and Laredo Jr. College project

(AUSTIN)—"The first crops should be planted next month at the Texas-Israel Exchange's 'Blueprint Farm of the Future,' which is being developed in conjunction with Laredo Junior College," Agriculture Commissioner Jim Hightower said today. "New varieties of tomatoes and melons will be planted, as will certain varieties of cut flowers."

"Land along the Rio Grande which for years sat idle is now being transformed into a diversified, labor-intensive, energy-efficient, profitable model of what Texas agriculture can become," Hightower said.

Hightower made the comments at the Austin meeting of the Texas-Israel Exchange (TIE) where he was joined by his co-chairman of the unique international panel, Israeli Deputy Agriculture Minister Abraham Katz-Oz. Accompanying Katz-Oz was Yahalomah Shehory, Israeli minister for Agricultural Affairs in Washington, D. C.

TIE is the first partnership of its type between the Israeli government and an individual state. The Exchange is comprised of leaders from governmental, agricultural, academic and business communities in both Texas and Israel, and is based upon a Memorandum of Agreement signed by Katz-Oz and Hightower in Austin in April 1985. The Exchange has 38 Texas and 24 Israeli members.

As Katz-Oz told the November issue of *Texas Business*, "It's a new kind of diplomacy. We're building connections between people, not governments."

The demonstration farm at Laredo is the Exchange's first major project. Katz-Oz and Hightower traveled to Laredo, meeting with the local steering committee chaired by Dr. Jacinto Juarez, dean of development at Laredo Junior College (LJC).

"The past year has been spent by TIE in raising funds to hire a farm manager, purchase equipment and install an Israeli-style drip irrigation system. TIE has also assisted LJC to develop a vocational agriculture curriculum. Production can now begin," Hightower said.

Gideon Yogeve, the farm project's manager, arrived in Laredo from Israel in October to plan and coordinate all of the farm operations. Yogeve was picked for the job by Katz-Oz.

"Yogeve brings 30 years of experience in agriculture to the Laredo project," Hightower said. "He grew up on a kibbutz, has been farming all of his life, and has been active in developing agricultural ventures that include everything from raising and marketing ostriches and alligators to growing the food supply for a 250-family kibbutz."

Assisting Yogeve for the Texas Department of Agriculture are Nancy Epstein, TIE coordinator, and Marketing Specialist Jack Stallings.

In addition, Hightower announced that TIE and LJC have received grants totalling nearly \$500,000 for the farm. Recently, the Hoblitzelle Foundation in Dallas presented TIE a grant of \$58,500 to purchase the drip irrigation system. The Texas College and University System Coordinating Board awarded LJC a \$78,000 grant to develop a vocational agriculture curriculum. Earlier, the project received a \$125,000 grant from the Meadows Foundation of Dallas and a \$50,000 grant from the Jewish National Fund to prepare a master plan for farm activities.

Also, LJC has received a second grant of \$185,000 from the Meadows Foundation to work with the Center for Maximum Potential Building Systems of Austin to construct a packing shed, three passive solar cooling units, three vegetable sorting sheds, a storeroom and a field office using such indigenous materials as locally-excavated clays and minerals.

The master plan for developing the farm was officially presented to Hightower last July by officials of the Jewish National Fund. The master plan was prepared following a month-long trip to Laredo by three Israeli agricultural experts who made a detailed analysis of the farm site's soil

characteristics, irrigation capabilities and climate.

For actual crop production, the Israelis selected 20 acres belonging to LJC and an adjoining 27 acres that have been donated by the Slaughter family, which is engaged in vegetable growing and shipping at Laredo. Among the recommendations contained in the report are that the farm produce vine-ripened tomatoes for market in December, asparagus, melons, bell peppers, sweet basil, dill and other fresh herbs for retail sale; and irises, gladiolas, baby's breath and other cut flowers.

The Israeli experts also concluded that "the proposed Demonstration Farm is financially sound. A cash flow analysis, carried out over the 25-year lifetime of the project, yielded an internal rate of return of about 20 percent, with all capital investment recovered within nine to 10 years."

This is Katz-Oz's second official trip to Texas. In the spring of 1985, he visited Austin, Amarillo, Hereford, Littlefield, Lubbock, the Rio Grande Valley, San Antonio and the LBJ Ranch. In December of last year, Israeli Agriculture Minister Arie Nechamkin visited both Austin and Laredo while plans for the "blueprint farm" were in the early stages.

Hightower has also made two trips to Israel, in March 1984 and in November 1986.

Agriculture Commissioner Jim Hightower welcomes Israeli Deputy Agriculture Minister Abraham Katz-Oz to Austin. Yahalomah Shehory, Israeli minister for Agricultural Affairs in Washington, D.C., is on the right. Katz-Oz and Shehory are in the state's capital for a meeting of the Texas-Israel Exchange and will travel to Laredo with Hightower to confer on the demonstration farm that the Exchange is developing with Laredo Junior College.



"The country weekly has a sense of identification with its readers that is possessed by no other type of newspaper. At the same time, I believe that the country weekly acts as a form of social cement in holding the community together. The country weekly newspapers have helped keep me in touch with the type of 'grass roots' thinking which every public servant should bear in mind constantly. I believe that America would be poorer should any catastrophe ever remove the country weekly from our life."

-Lyndon B. Johnson
While serving in the U. S. Senate



by Jewell Dukes Huddleston

THOSE NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS!

Some make New Year's resolutions and some don't. Few are carried out, despite the good intentions. However, I know one couple that can mark against the ceiling and won't have to erase it later.

On New Year's Eve I ran into Velda and Neely Keith in a local grocery store. They had taken care of their needs, the check had been written and the piled-high grocery cart was ready to be trundled to their waiting vehicle.

Velda turned to me and asked if I had made my New Year's resolutions. Naturally one wants to appear to be with the age-old custom, so I mumbled something. She laughed and said, "We have made ours...and we are certainly going to keep it!" "What?", I asked.

"We aren't going to the grocery store again this year!" "Alright!", I conceded.

Another neat approach to this custom was heard on Sunday morning. Cecil Brashear says to keep last year's list, you haven't kept the resolutions anyway, so just dust off the list and use it again.

On the road during the holidays a radio announcer from Taylor, Texas, came up with an idea that stayed with me. He gave the weather forecast...then said, "Don't forget the three P's tonight...pets - plants - and pipes!" And that does cover the water-front, as Old-Timers used to say.

One resolution everyone should make: enjoy Nature these Wintry days. With trees dormant and grasses and weeds in cold storage it is easy to detect animal trails in the woodlands along the country lanes.

Bird watching is interesting in the Winter. Birds fly low when the barometer is falling. To my surprise last week I heard a duck's 'quack, quack' in the tall Live Oak trees in the front yard.

Naturally I tried to see if my ears were fooling me...and out shot a Wood duck with another sassy "Quack!" as he took wing. The moon was full Monday

night, but it was cloudy. Sunday night was clear and the moonlight was so bright you could read a newspaper by the soft glow. Nature responds to the whims of the weather in every season.

My missions took me toward Indian Gap...to the South, on Sunday, and...then to Indian Mountain, to the North, later in the afternoon. Strange, how many areas in Comanche country are simply named...Indian. And arrowheads and Indian artifacts are still to be found...after a washing rain.

Red Bird lane lies between old Nineveh corner and the country road toward Gorman. Cardinals flit across the road in this safe haven. Many other species of birds are seen here. It is a popular nesting site.

Monday took me on another mission that covered several once-busy communities. Naturally I would identify with Duster and I headed toward Gorman.

A brief stop in Gorman and I was on the road again, headed toward Eastland. The traffic was light and not too many folks parked around the courthouse in Eastland.

Clara White, at the Eastland Chamber of Commerce, gave me a red-penciled map of the town and I was able to complete my errand in jig-time.

It had been awhile since I had been through the once-busy village of Okra. The church on the hill has been torn down, only the foundation remains. One can visualize the rural population there around the turn of the century.

On paved, rural roads the farms are skirted and there are many sharp curves. I lost count on how many times I crossed the Leon and Sabanna Rivers.

Many rural cemeteries are along this route, some I could not recall having noted before. They were founded in the horse and buggy days when distance was a challenge.

What were the New Year's resolutions of this era? A bumper cotton crop? Good health? Happiness?

I have a challenge for my reader: to interpret the meaning of this early day saying, published in 1817.

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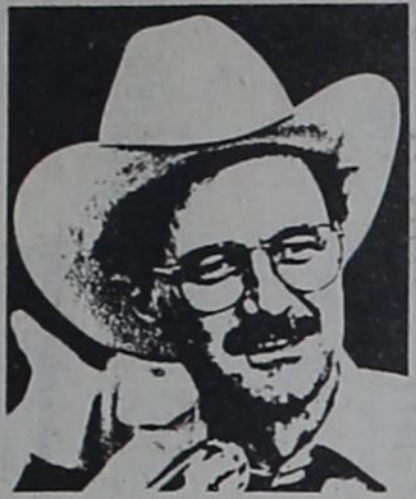
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INTERNATIONAL TRADE

By Jim Hightower
Texas Commissioner of Agriculture

There is wide agreement throughout Texas that our state can—and must—expand our business presence more aggressively in world markets, but in the current effort to build a state vehicle to help move Texas businesses into those markets, there has been a tendency to focus on the hood ornament instead of the working parts underneath. The time for flash is past. Flash does not bring cash to Texas.

A successful international trade-assistance program must be built from the ground up, with primary and painstaking attention to the nuts and bolts that make programs work. There is nothing very glamorous about international marketing. It really boils down to having a team of trade experts who can find buyers and sellers, bring them together, then work through the red tape of finance, transportation and import regulations to complete the sale. It's grunt work, but it's beautiful when it succeeds.

Six pragmatic steps should be taken by state government to build a solid program to strengthen the Texas economy through international market development, while benefiting minority-owned and other small business ventures:

1. Develop detailed computerized lists of all potential Texas export suppliers of goods and services and of potential international buyers.
2. Conduct country-by-country and product-by-product market development campaigns which rely on solid market research and center on making direct contacts with potential buyers.
3. Assist in directly bringing together Texas sellers and international buyers by aggressively participating in foreign trade shows and missions and in

sponsoring foreign delegations that travel to the businesses and farms of the state.

4. Establish new sources of interim and export financing for small and medium-sized suppliers, and help Texans take full advantage of existing federal export credit programs.

5. Organize small producers and businesses into marketing groups and export sales corporations that can more effectively compete in the export market.

6. Provide direct training to Texas businesses and producers on how to conduct international trade, including information on foreign business practices, government regulations and transportation alternatives.

With a population of 16 million people—more than such nations as Australia, Greece or Saudi Arabia—and with an enormous economic output by our farmers, businesses, entrepreneurs and workers, Texas can be a major player in world trade. Yet we mostly have been inward-looking rather than reaching outward with our products—the State Comptroller's Office reports that Texas companies presently are achieving only 20 percent of their export potential.

In the eyes of foreign buyers, Texas isn't looked upon as just another state like Mississippi or New Jersey. With a Gross State Product of nearly \$30 billion in 1987, Texas ranks ninth in production among non-communist countries, just behind Taiwan and Canada and ahead of Brazil, India and Mexico.

During the last few years, we at the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) have taken into our own hands the international marketing of what our Texas farmers and ranchers produce. We've taken our public-private partnership approach directly into dozens of foreign countries and initiated hundreds-of-millions of dollars in new sales, bringing that money back home to Texas where it does the most good—at the grassroots level.

At the Department, our approach to international marketing is based upon three essential elements: staff who 1) speak the languages, understand the customs and know the government and industry leaders of the target countries; 2) know the market needs; and 3) have the technical expertise to make the sale.

This same basic three-pronged approach can now be used by the new Texas Commerce Department in marketing medical supplies, high-tech equipment, petro-chemical products, machinery and other goods worldwide.

To extend our state's productivity around the world and to bring billions

of dollars worth of export sales home to Texas, our state government should initiate a top-notch aggressive export program. Working side-by-side with enterprising Texans who want to export, the state can play a vital role in market development, capital formation, entrepreneurial training and solving bureaucratic problems.

Earlier this year, the largest single international livestock sale ever developed by TDA involved a \$24 million agreement by Gore's Dairs of Comanche to sell 12,000 head of top-quality Texas dairy cattle to the Al Helal Group of Egypt. But the TDA-assisted agreement is even bigger than the \$24 million livestock sale, because Gore's also will establish and manage the dairy farm, milk processing and feed manufacturing operation in Noharia, Egypt. Additional sales of Texas dairy cattle are also possible because Egypt needs 1.7 million additional tons of milk a year just to meet its current demand.

This multimillion-dollar transaction was both uncovered and successfully concluded by Moritada Mohamed, TDA's director of Middle Eastern Affairs. Opening doors to this lucrative Middle Eastern market illustrates what I call "grunt-level" international marketing, not by flashy foreign offices nor some centralized bureaucracy, but by a member of our highly-mobile field staff who knows the territory and knows how to move.

TDA's international marketing staff has also helped sell hundreds-of-millions of dollars in Texas beef cattle, semen and embryos to Mexico, Columbia and Ecuador, quarterhorses to Uruguay and sheep to India. TDA has helped open multimillion-dollar Middle Eastern markets to such varied Texas products as spicy peanuts, non-alcoholic beer, picante sauce and wildflower honey.

In just the last five years, TDA has developed an international marketing program that other states now view as a model. The Texas Department of Commerce should consider the TDA model, as it now embarks upon its own international marketing program. Through an aggressive, comprehensive international export program, Texas will prove itself as a "world player" on the international market, not just one of the 50 United States. More importantly, fulfilling more of our export potential will create hundreds of small and medium-sized enterprises that will bring new wealth, good jobs and a positive balance to the Texas economy.

These comments were taken from an address by Commissioner Hightower at the Texas Conference On International Trade in Houston.

DESDEMONA NEWS

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Elwood and Nell (Grimshaw) Ragland of Crowley recently moved to the Ragland home place in Desdemona. Elwood retired from Texas Electric. They both graduated from Desdemona High School. Their parents are Jim and Nona Grimshaw of Desdemona and Clarence and Gussie Ragland of Gorman. We all welcome this fine couple back home.

Congratulations to Ricky and Ten-

ia Koonce. They recently moved into their new home just across the road from the old Koonce homeplace, 3½ miles south of Desdemona. Their daughters are Christal, Courtney and Chandra.

Congratulations to the new grandparents, Larry and Gay Moore. Cheslea Renee was born Monday, January 4th at Harris Hospital in Fort Worth. She weighed 7 pounds and 8 ounces. Parents are Bruce and Renee White of Dublin. Great-grand parents are Shorty and Almarie Fox of Desdemona.

Bernard and Ann Keith attended a birthday party of their grandson, Derek Robinett, in De Leon on Sunday, January 10th.

E. R. "Pete" McKain a former

resident of Desdemona, was buried in Gladewater this past week. He attended school in Desdemona. He is survived by a brother, Bill McKain of Hico, and a sister, Colleen (McKain) Pounds of Arlington. Our sympathy goes out to this family.

WORD of GOD

Praise the Lord!
Because thy loving-kindness is better than life, my lips shall praise thee.

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TRUCKING INDUSTRY REACTS TO POSTPONEMENT OF HB908

On Thursday the Texas Public Safety Commission formally postponed the Department of Public Safety's (DPS) enforcement of Hb 908, the Texas Motor Carrier Safety Act, until September 1, 1989.

House Bill 908 authorized the DPS to adopt state regulations consistent with federally mandated motor carrier safety standards. The regulations that were adopted would have impacted all areas of commercial vehicle operation since they gave the DPS authority to inspect trucks in excess of 10,000 pounds on Texas Highways, whether private or for-hire.

Commission members have directed the DPS to reevaluate the regulations and their application during the 18-month delay.

"We're disappointed that the Texas Motor Carrier Safety Act will not be enforced on schedule, but we remain committed to improving truck safety in Texas," was the reaction of Robert A. Floyd, president of Texas Motor Transportation Association, a trade group of truck and bus companies in Texas.

"Passage and implementation of comprehensive truck safety legislation was one of our primary legislative goals during 1987," explained Floyd. "The truck and bus industry had demonstrated to the public, media, and legislators the seriousness of its commitment to highway safety by working in partnership with the DPS, Department of Transportation, and a coalition of industry groups to develop HB 908."

"In the past few days, we became aware that the DPS and legislators had received complaints from some of the businesses who do not believe they should be subject to the new regulations," Floyd said. "We understand the importance of the DPS taking the time to reevaluate the regulations and their application in light of the concerns of these companies."

"We believe that with the eventual implementation of the Texas Motor Carrier Safety Act, Texans will see a marked improvement in truck safety on our highways," Floyd said.

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Act of 1984 granted states a five-year phase-in period—ending in 1989—to adopt state safety standards consistent with those in force at the federal level. The act gave the Department of Transportation authority to pre-

empt any state regulations less stringent than those on the federal level. It also gave it authority to withhold certain federal funding for states which did not comply, Floyd

Explained.

For additional information, contact Tim Raven, vice president of governmental affairs, at 512-478-2541.

How to get off our mailing list.

The 1987 Census of Agriculture is coming to a mailbox near you. And we're hoping that when it does, you'll take the time to fill out your Ag-Census questionnaire and return it before February 1, 1988.

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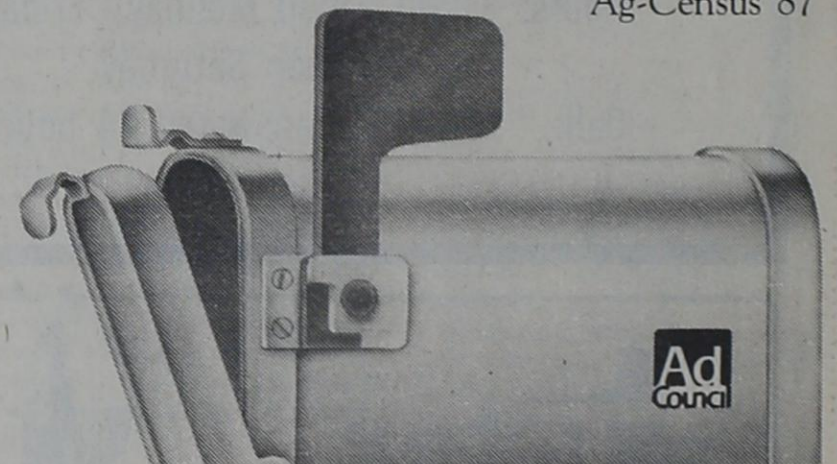
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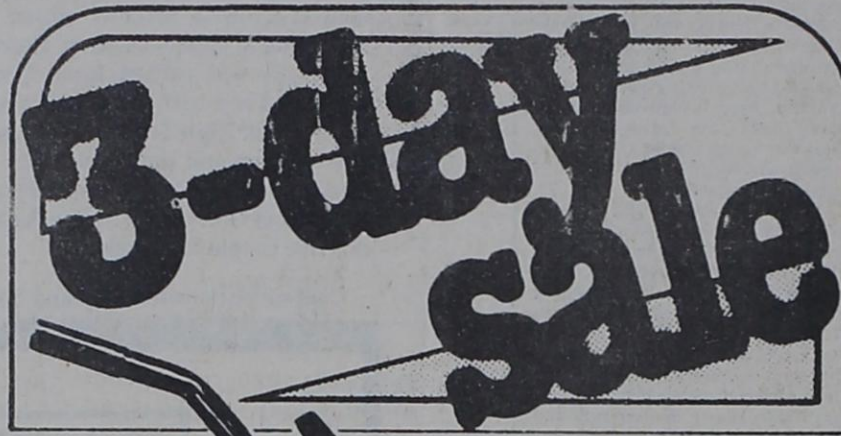
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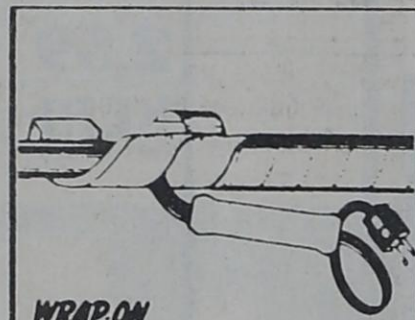
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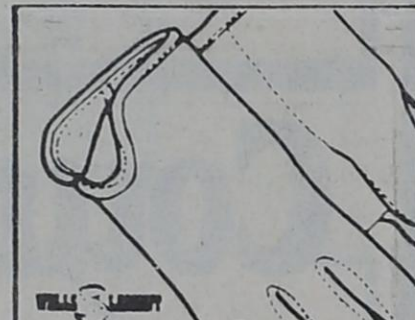
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The Company estimates that this new tariff offering will not have a significant effect on its revenues. Persons with questions or who desire more information about the proposed tariff are encouraged to contact Comanche County Telephone Company, Inc. at (817) 893-2007. A complete copy of the filing is available for review at the Company's offices at Highway 16S, De Leon, Texas.

Persons who wish to intervene or otherwise participate in these proceedings should notify the Commission as soon as possible. A request to intervene, participate or for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, 7800 Shoal Creek Blvd., Suite 450N, Austin, Texas 78757. Further information may also be obtained by calling the Public Utility Commission Public Information Division at (512) 458-0227 or (512) 458-0221 teletypewriter for the deaf.

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