The Gurman Fragress

And now to one of my faithful jurors (subscriber) I plead "victim of circumstances". Mrs. T. L. Gates of Wichita Falls has sent her renewal in to Odell Gilmore, Sophomore, with the following note to aPe. "I know I have been a little indifferent about renewing my subscription but I have a reason for the delay. I'm enclosing \$2.00 check. When I re ewed m ysubscription last year wrote a nice "Thank You" piece to be printed like so many others do - thanking my friends for the many nice things they had done while I was sick and had to be moved to Dallas. It was thrown in the waste basket. I love the Gorman people as I have spent most of my life there. I feel I have a lot of friends there but I'm not able to write them all-

> Yours truly, Mrs. T. L. Gates

Dear Mrs. Gates:

letter. I assure you it was not the loan at any time previous to touch with one another. Any be a benefit to the producer if he time you want to get a message liked to gamble on the market. to your friends in Gorman I will Mr. Emmett Powell, Eastland in the Progress.

wanted the Progress, and received the following reply: Dear Sir:

I am enclosing herewith my

of Gorman and like to know the for support price without being trend of things in that vicinity. I penalized the storage and the loss note there is to be a wildcat well drilled 5 miles North of Gorman, known as the Callihan, Mohoney Farm Bureau was to do away and Keck No. 1 Mrs. Ruth Willis with the Oil Excess Program. in the NW quarter section 10, block 1, H&TC Ry Survey and I Cunningham announced at the would like to have you keep me informed as it progresses.

Gorman in the Grandview and 14th at the Fire Hall in Gorman Kokomo communities and I attended High School in Gorman by the Comanche County Farm about twenty years ago. My fath- Bureau on Tuesday February 19 er was George R. Stracener and at De Leon. many of the older citizens will emember him. I have lived in am connected with the City as paper to their Congressman, if

tendent of Warehousing.

to time in "Fortune", "Life", farmer to tell his Congressmar "Nations Business", and other his opinioon and for all to get bemagazines, this is the hot spot of hind this move and help. the nation and will be for several years to come. We are in the plimented on his defense of the midst of an unparralled growth peanut farmer. and expansion that has never been equalled anywhere and this meeting were: Tom Harris and is really the land of opportunity S. E. Cloninger of the SWPGA for anybody or any type of effort | Wilbur Shell and Keith Whitt of (The Chamber of Commerce Gorman and Elzo Bean, former should reward me for this letter) | County Judge and T. C. Wylie of Incidentally, the Reporter-Tele- Ranger, Texas. gram will this month issue their The group voted to appoint J "Progress Edition" and I shall see M. Barnett, Rt. 2, Carbon, M. W. that you receive a copy. When Grieger, Eastland and Tommy you receive it, compare it with Poe, Carbon, on a committee to

Yours very truly, E. N. Stracener

We enjoy hearing about home- ham-actor in me to enjoy the town folks who have made good | lime-light. We also like to hear a fellow boost his town.

the box of cigars they gave me | mate drilling depth for test i Saturday morning. Recently I 3500 feet. was telling a fellow publisher A well on the Willis place in how nice folks are around Gor- the Kokomo Community is drillman. He couldn't understand it ing ahead at 1100 feet. This test Albert Hendricks of the way on He is the son of Mr. and said, "About all I get ic the

# PUBLISHER-EDITOR - Gene FARMERS ATTEND PROTEST MEETING IN CARBON

test of some of the provisions of tions were adopted: the proposed peanut program for 1952. At the request of the producers, Mr. John Wright, manager of the Southwestern Peanut Growers Association, explained the tentative proposed peanut program for 1952.

Mr. Wright told of the organ-

ization of the Association, its trans fer over to an agency of the CCC and the present status of the trip to Washington and the extended discussioons there. Mr. Wright stated that the Department of Agriculture had a program outlined when the group ar rived in Washington and this would provide a loan to the producer on the Farm and another provision of a loan to the producer by taking his peanuts to a des ignated warehouse. However, the producer would be required to pay all the expenses of the loan, grading and would be responsible for grades and weights. The loans The fact that you have renewed would mature on Many 31st of the Progress shows you have a the following year at which time forgiving nature for which I am the Government would take title very thankful. Please accept my to the peanuts. The producer humble apologies for losing your would have the right to pay off thrown in the waste basket on this date and sell his peanuts. It purpose. The very life of the Pro was pointed out that if peanuts gress is based on its personal con were scarce all over the United tact and keeping old friends in States any year that this might

consider it a personal favor if you County PMA Administrator also will send it to me to be published spoke for a few minutes as did Mr. Cooper, Eastland County Agent. Joe Bob Browning, Secre-A short time ago I received a eary-Treasurer of the Eastland letter from E. N. Stracener of Mid | County Farm Bureau, told of his land asking to be placed on our trip to Washington, stating that mailing list. Not being acquainted the Farm Bureau approved the with any Straceners I sent him a loan at first but after learning the letter of inquiry as to why he facts they find that it would not be to the best interests of the producer.

Luther Cunningham, Farm Bureau member, said the Bureau check for the subscription to your wanted a loan program but they also wanted a market where the I have property in the vicinity producer could sell his peanuts in weights and grades. He said that the chief objective of the

Joe Bob Browning and Luther meeting that a similar meeting would be held by the Farm Bur-My family lived for years near eau on Thursday night, February and another meeting woul be held

All interested producers are invited to these meetings and are fidland for the past ten years, requested to send a copy of tihs Purchasing Agent and Superin- they cannot attend a meeting and sign a petition. It was brought As you have noticed from time out that now is the time for the

Hon. Omar Burleson was com-

'Among others attending the

the New York Times - - They write a telegram and letter of pro

razzberries." Maybe he doesn't er joy working with the schools clubs and churches as much as Congratulations, Mr. Stracener. do. Then, too, I have just enough

A rig is being moved in to drill a well on the Whitt Graham place Thanks to the Senior Class for in Kokomo Community. Approx-

# test to the interested Congress-A large number of farmers at- men and Senators. This commit-

We, the following undersigned peanut farmers and producers of Eastland and Comanche Counties do hereby adopt and approve the

following resolutions: 1. We are opposed to any program that would lower the price to \$25.00 per toon, who wilfully or due to financial distress is forced to sell his peanuts immedigroup. He then told of his recent ately after harvest, which could happen under a straight loan pro- co; Lewis Dunn, Ranger; Cecil been honored by her schoolmates school during this week. gram.

2. We have no objection to a loan program but we demand that the farmer be provided with a ready cash market for his peanuts William Weldon Cooper, Eastland County. at 90 percent of parity as the law provides, without any deductions being made for any cause.

3. We believe that any program esigned to where the peanuts will move the most direct route rom producer to consumer would est serve the interest of the prolucer and lowe the cost of the program to the Government.

ny part ofthe purchasing, sales, nd loans except on the farm stoage loans.

5. We were not consulted by he tentative proposed loan pro- yne Rone, Carbon. gram was announced. If and when uch loan program is put in effect we request that the PMA explain Mrs. Raymond Heath he deductions made from support price through all available sources o peanut producers.

Furthermore we want it made the seller (producer).

permitting the growing of excess peanuts for oil be eliminated.

keting card before these peanuts are disposed of for feed. -0-

# H. H. HARDEMAN IS CANDIDATE FOR CO. TREASURER

H H Hardeman of Eastland has authorized the Progress to place his name in the political column, and to state to the voters that he is making the race for County Treasurer.

Mr. Hardeman was married in Eastland in 1917, and has lived here off and on since that time. In earlier days he taught school and did bank work, though in recent years he has been farming and doing carpenter work.

He has never held or asked for public office before.

# March Of Dimes Reaches \$300 ? ? ? ?

Checking on March of Dimes vith Chairman Craddock the Pro gress found that Gorman has eached the \$300 mark. Mr. Crad lock stated that he expected to nake several other contacts that nad been missed.

Only a part of the residence HER FATHER'S FUNERAL listricts have been solicited. It is hoped that folks who have not gress with their donation.

300 dollars. That leaves the town day. 1000 short.

Please help Mr. Craddock close his campaign at once.

. S. C. ENJOY SOCIAL IOUR THURSDAY EVENING

tudy Club enjoyed a social hour passed away. on Thursday evening in the home

Mrs. Smith presided at a brief business session.

# Eleven Gorman Boys Called For March Induction

tended a meeting at Carbon Wed- tee met with Mr. Wylie and Janh of Local Board No. 36 have been nesday night, February 13, in pro- Wright and the following resolu- ordered to report for induction on March 20, 1952. This is the lar- Rodgers are living. gest Induction Call received by the Eastland local board.

> Kenneth Ray Bennett, Clifton of Christ with only the immediate Randall Wood, Kenneth LaRoy Ro families attending. Brother Laygers, Billy Joe Jones, Carlie Ray ton Plaster performed, the cere-Rogers, Bobby Jack Caryton, Ri- monv. of peanuts to the producers \$20.00 chard Linier Woodall, Delmon

John Doyle Webb, Jr., Pioneer; Nerger, Ranger; Carrol Hugh Wil in which she participated. 4. We are opposed to the State Boyd, Bobby Marion Beasley and Cheaney Community. nd County PMA offices handling Arnold Joe Spaodling of Brecken- Mrs. Rodgers is being honored Eastland; Max Donald Long, Ris- ous shower. ing Star; Loye Gene Walker, Nim rod; Olan Max Wilson, Carbon; JACK BENNETT NOW any PMA representative before Calvin Ray Day, Okra; Byers Wa- STATIONED AT HEARST

# Honored With Party

Mrs. Ben M. Strebeck and Mrs. rystal clear to the producers that Jack Ditmore entertained with a all deductions will be borne by surprise birthday narty for Mrs. Raymond Heath. Eveyone had a 6. We request that the program grand time and nice refreshments were served.

Those attending were: Mrssrs. However, we demand the right and Mesdames Junior Starns, Her to grow peanuts for feed to be bert Rainer, Gilley Price, A. C. used on the farm. Also, we de- Jorden, and Lindell Henson, all mand that we be issued a mar- of Desdemona, and Mr. and Mrs.

Woodrow Wagner from De Leon. Monke, Jack Ditmore, Raymond Heath and Ben Strebeck. The ed the Air Force. honoree was very much surprized. Many interesting games were enjoyed,

## E. C. BRAMMLETT, JR. ENTERTAINED WITH PARTY

On the occasion of his 7th birth day, February 9th, Mrs. E. C. Bramlett entertained with a party for her young son, E. C. Bramlett, Jr.

Fifty-two children attending were registered by Mrs. O. R. Buchanan who assisted the host-

Mrs. John Henderson, who also assisted, directed the outdoor gam es and the treasure hunt indoors. Decorations were in keeping with Valentine, including a Valentine tree. Favors were red lollipops.

Refreshments consisted of cold drinks, heart shaped cookies and Baby Ruths.

E. C., Jr. thinks he is a very lucky boy to have the many fine friends who brought gifts.

# GENE MEHAFFEYS ATTEND

Mr. and Mrs Gene Mehaffey "THE ART OF MUSIC" ontributed will see Mr. Craddock went to Plainview on February IS TOPIC OF STUDY or drop in at the Gorman Pro- 2, Saturday, to attend the funeral FOR WOMAN'S STUDY CLUB of her father, Mr. J. H. Abels, A quota set for Gorman was whose funeral was held on Sun-

tracted illness and had spent a when they met at the Ranch and Mrs. Gwyn Voy Wilks of long period in a Dallas hospital. home of the Edward Harrisons, Carbon on February 9th weighed He had, however, apparently im- Mrs. Harrison as leader of the 8 pounds and 12 12 ounces. proved and was returned to his program spoke on the subject, home When he later took a turn "The Musical Outlook". for the worse he was carried to Members of the Progressive a Plainview hospital where he rendered a beautiful classical, ship of the Methodist Church, all

> Mr. Mehaffey returned to Gorreturned on Wednesday.

Lee Greer is preaching in a Refreshments were served. Mrs. town near Berkeley, California.

# High School Bride Studies - Keeps House

Gorman High School bride, Mrs. Fred Rodgers, the former Joy Hallmark, continues her studies and her athletic activities as The following listed registrants she assumes her housekeeping ger Route 1 where she and Mr.

rites were read on Saturday, Feb Those called from Gorman are: ruary2nd at 4 p. m. in the Church

Rany Sanders, Breckenridge; Roy in having been named, F. F. A. ce Earl Little, Eastland; Jesse Eu- Sweetheart, Carnival Queen, Foot gene Standifer, Breckenridge; ball Queen, Princess of the Indian Joseph Elmer Putnam, Carbon; Trail Festival and Duchess at the Thomas Eugene Williams, Ranger Horned Toad Derby of Eastland

Her many awards of merit in Billy Joe Smith, Ranger; Jackie the athletic field she won by her Cunningham Beardon, Ranger; superb play and sportmanship. R L Miller, Ranger; Glen Salem Her marriage ws announced at the school during Public School Casey, Eastland; Chales Edwin the recent basketball tournament Week and will designate days for

ridge; Thomas Obie Simmons of on Thursday with a miscellane-

him to look things over.

# WITH OUR BOYS IN THE SERVICE

Herman Bennett called his par ents for a chat on Sunday night. Messrs and Mesdames Aubrey Herman is in AFB, Boise, Idaho-John Howard Claitor has join-

> Benny E. Burdette, seaman recruit, USN, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben R. Burdette of Gorman, is receiving his training in San Diego, California. At the conclusion of 11 weeks training he will be assigned to the Fleet or a Navy Shore station or he may be sent to school for advanced technical

> training. Nick Eaker has enlisted in the Navy He was accompanied to Abilene on Wednesday, February 6 by his mother and Mrs. Z. O. Mehaffey.

Gerald Moore, son of Mrs. Jewel Moore, stationed in Austria, is learning to speak the German language. Many nations of Central Europe speak virtually the same language or dialect.

Mr and Mrs A D Eaker have received word that Nick has arrived in San Diego. They have subscribed to the Progress to be sent to Nick for his duration in service. Nick plans to get at least the major part of his college education while in the Navy. On his initial test he made a desired rating. He hopes to get elec-

topic of study for the Woman's weighed 7 pounds and 11 ounces. Mr. Abels had suffered a pro- Study Club on Monday evening Farris Cullen Wilks born to Mr.

A visitor, Mrs. Edna Nunnally,

'Minuet" at the piano. Mrs. G. C. Acrea was welcomed joyed a swell skating party Three of their president, Mrs. Travis man on Sunday. Mrs. Mehaffey as a new member into the club. car loads (and I do mean loads) Refreshments were served dur of boys and girls went to Steing the social hour.

led in Goldthwaite on Sunday af- ing-party.

# Governer Shivers Designates Public School Week March 2-8

Greetings:

History teachers, and many recent examples in various parts duties at the farm home on Ran- of the world have demonstrated with startling clarity, that free- the public school system. Public dom such as we cherish cannot The Hallmark-Rodgers wedding long exist without popular under

# School Trustees **Endorse School Week**

Gorman Independent School Dis-The bride, a 1952 Senior, has trict indorse the action of Goverents. Her activities have been March 2-8 and urge evvery patron

# SCHOOL INVITES

a regular routine school day-

# School Board Renews Contracts Of School Officials

The Board of Trustees in reg- JAMES JOBES ANNOUNCE Jack Bennett, who has for the ular meeting Monday evening re past several months been station newed contracts of School Supered at a Bell Air Craft Plant in intendent, Charles W. Gibbs, New York, has been transferred Principals, Ross Wilson and J. T. the week end. After a brief rest! The Board heard financial rehe has gone to Hearst. It is re- ports of the district and designat- Hospital. ported his family accompanied ed retirement of certain serial

> served dinner to the Board of Trustees before the meeting.

## -0-**EXCELSIOR MEMBERS** HAVE VALENTINE DINNER AND PARTY

Members of the Excelsior Club were guests of Mrs. Check Smith and Mrs. Marcella Brogdon on Tuesday evening for a covereddish Valentine Dinner and Party in the home of the latter,

xDiners were seated at two dining tables centered with arrange ments of Chrysanthemums pierced by Cupid Darts. Place cards were Valentine doilies.

Recipes in demand at the end of the dinner hour were a Ham Loaf baked by Mrs. Smith, Boston Brown Bread by Mrs. Brogdon, Tamales Loaf by Edna Nunnally and a Buttermilk Pie by Mrs. T. G. Jackson.

Consolation prizes were present ed to the biggest eater, the daintiest eater and the most fun at the table.

Mrs. M. F. Allen directed games following the Valentine theme. Mrs. Vera Hamrick and Mrs. A. H. Bibby were delayed by illness. The February 26th meeting will

be held at 7:30 P. M. in the M. H. Fairbetter home.

Nita Joyce Cagle born to Mr. and Mrs. Billy Wayne Cagle of Snyder on February 5th weighed 6 pounds and 2 1 2 ounces. The maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. George Hallmark. Katharine Joyce Hart born to

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Warren Hart "The Art of Music" was the of Breckenridge on February 6th

M. Y. F. ENJOY SKAT PARTY The Methodist Youth Fellowfor a few blisters and bruises, en phenville Tuesday night with sponsor, Arlton Smith, to enjoy Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Bibby visit a very clean and successful skat

Reporter, Shirleyan Key

dividual responsibility.

standing and appreciation of in-

One of the basic institutions

upon which we rely for the furth-

erance of our American ideals is

schools, by enabling every child

to gain a liberal education re-

gardless of station in life, pro-

mote recognition of the respon-

sibilities of citizenship and con-

stitute a major bulwark against

We in Texas are proud of the

school system that has been devel

and the energy and determination

of those public spirited men and

women who are devoting their

lives to the teaching of our chil-

The continued progress of our

school system requires increased

public understanding of the im-

greatest possible encouragement

and support of our teachers. To

public school and become person-

ally acquainted with the work

The Board of Trustees of the subversive doctrines. Fred Eaves, Roy George Palmer, throughout her high school years nor Shivvers in his designatioon oped in our state. Its success has Delmar Gene Shugart and Billy been among the best loved stud- of Public Schools Week in Texas been due to many factors - - the interest of mothers and fathers in Flournoy Palmer Cleveland, Cis varied Year after year she has of the school district to visit the their children, the cooperative ef forts of state and local officials,

> A. E. Skaggs, President J. W. Ramsey, Secretary

# PATRONS TO VISIT

The Gorman school is making preparation to have patrons visit portance of education and the visits to various rooms. Patrons this end, I, Allan Shivers, Goverliams, and David Hayne Sharpe, Mrs. Rodgers is the daughter of will be invited to visit the classes nor of Texas, do hereby designate Breckenridge; Tommy Clyde Hu- Mr. and Mrs. George Hallmark and have lunch with students in the period March 2 - 8, 1952, as ckaby, Ranger; Jack Presnall, and Mr. Rodges is the son of Mr. the school lunchroom. The school PUBLIC SCHOOLS WEEK in Jose Jesus Oliveras, Claud Earl and Mrs. Jack Rodgers of the wishes to have visitors observe Texas, and I urge that during this week every citizen visit a

# and activities of our public school Signed: Allan Shivers

Mr. and Mrs. James Jobe are announcing the birth of a new to the new plant at Hearst, Texas Deavenport, and Vocational Ag- daughter, Sherry Lee. The little Jack arrived in Gorman during riculture teacher, E. C. Bramlett. Miss was born Thursday February 7th at the Ranger General

> At this writing mother and Sherry are doing fine. Big sister, Miss Shaw's Homemaking Class Barbara Ann, has been staying with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Jobe, while her mother is away.

# **Announcements**

You will not want to miss the showing of "The Guest" at the King Theater this week, Thursday and Friday nights.

The Eastland Community Sing ing will meet Sunday Afternoon February 17th. 2 P. M. at the Church of God, corner Lamar and Valley Streets.

- The First National Bank of Gorman has been serving this territory for over 50 years - -Your account is appreciated

# KING THEATRE

Thursday - Friday DOUBLE FEATURE Scotty Beckett - Don Beddoe

IN "GASOLINE ALLEY" And

Ludwig Donath - David Wolfe In "THE GUEST"

> Also Saturday

Rex Allen - Penny Edwards IN UTAH WAGON TRAIN

And Hugh Beaumont - Ann Savage IN PIER 23

Also Color Cartoon Sunday - Monday

William Lundigan - June Haver LOVE NEST Also

Color Cartoon Tuesday - Wednesday Robert Ryan - Audrey Totter

> THE SET UP Also Color Cartoon

Thursday - Friday Audie Murphy - Yvette Dubay

> THE CIMARRON KID Also Color Cartoon

Local Plant Used In Daily Lesson for the Porter Candy Company. Allen, visited the Gorman Peanut invoices, orders, etc., including Company Tuesday. They were several weeks of actual secretargiven a warm reception by Mr. ial work. J. W. Ramsey and other employees Students were facinated with the new electronic equipment being used. The classes also visited the fertilizer plant.

## New Informational Sources In Library

with a 1951 yearbook containing Lingleville, and Strawn. highlights in events of that year. International Dictonary containtries. It is a 1950 edition.

Typing Students Do Practical

## Stenography

Students of the typing 11 class are engaged in a series of jobs Attendance Improves The junior and senior classes, They are working from practice

# NEXT WEEK

On Thursday, Friday, and Saturday of next week Gorman bas- PANTHERS DEFEAT STRAWN portunity to see tournament gam | FRIDAY AT OLDEN es as the girl's teams of this area

ing 3,330 pages and 600,000 en- Quartette from Cisco will appear winner of Friday's battle at Ol-

# Marking Time In The March Of Time

. . . is somewhat like fishing without luck - there's no thrill to it. But there is real thrill in moving forward, serving humbly and doing some one thing well. We never heard of an abstracter getting rich as such, but we have heard of those who have spent a life-time, as we have, building up title institutions that are assets to their communities. Yes, we get a thrill out of every order and a real joy in producing it into a quality product.

# Earl Bender & Company

Eastland

(Abstracting Since 1923)

Texa



Which Twin Has The Security

Neither of these men knows what the future holds in store for them, but ONE of them is prepared for any eventuality. You can tell which. . . the man with the smile. . . . the man with INSURANCE! If you aren't adequately protected by insurance, we urge you to call on us today!

# COLEMAN MUIUAL LIFE INS.

**GLENN MEHAFFEY, Representative** 

GORMAN, TEXAS

## published later

Attendance has again reached its normal peak in the schools as under the supervision of Mrs. sets which call for the typing of the epidemic of influenza releas-For the past four weeks the num of the common salvation. ber of absentees has been tremendous in the local schools. We unto you, and exhort you that ye are glad to welcome all students should earnestly contend for the back into the fold once more.

# ketball fans will have another op 30-28 SEEK PLAY-OFF BERTH common sallvation and the sal-

On February 29, the Kendrick spot with two losses each. The by them that heard. him. Friday.

> LeRoy Kent took scoring honors against Strawn Tuesday with 12 points. Odell Gilmore was runner up with six markers. The end of the first half 16-16. In the a Strawn rally in the last period to remain in the fight for the their own ungodly lust. championship.

Strawn 38-24 as Melba Brown, speedy little forward burned the hoops for 19 tallies. Francis Robertson was second inthe scoring department with a total of 13 points. Halftime score was Gorman 22, Strawn 8. Shirley Reed played her usually good game at guard as did Wanda Hart and ing her first game at forward, also did very well.

# BOY'S DIST. STANDINGS

Team	Won	
Gorman	7	
Scranton	7	
Olden	7	
Strawn	4	
Desdemona	3	
Carbon	0	



CLOVER FARM 3-0z. 0¢ White Swan

CLOVER FARM

(HERRIE) Z cans 49°
CHERRY PIE MIX 19-Oz. 35¢
CORN Clover Farm No. 303 7 9¢ Whole Kernel, Golden _ Can
VIENNA SAUSAGE Clover 1/2's 27 ¢

CLOVER FARM R. S. P.

CLOVER FARM

Large 25¢ Giant 59¢

Save 15c With Coupon inside Special





FOODS CLOVER FARM STORES CHEATS

# The Common Salvation

Rev. B. G. Thomas

es its grip on the community. all deligence to write unto you praise is not of men but of God.

It was needful for me to write unto the Saints.

There is a difference between vation that Christ gives.

God told Peter, what God has The library now contains a new begin a double elimination affair The Panthers edged past Strawn clelansed call not thou common volume of the Encyclopedia Bri- to determine a district champion. here Tuesday night and kept Acts 10:15. The salvation of Jesus tanica. There are 24 volumes of Teams entered are Gorman, Scran their title hopes alive for the big Christ is a great salvation - Heb: the new 1951 edition, together ton, Olden, Carbon, Desdemona, showdown with Olden Friday 2:3. How shall we escape of we night. As the race now stacks neglect so great a salvation which up Scranton, Gorman, and Olden at first began to be spoken by the We also have a Webster's New Kendrick Quartette Here Feb. 29 are in a three-way-tie for first Lord and was confirmed unto us wardly will not make a child of Mrs. Lora Abel, Mrs. Nina Loh

Let us see some of the things in the gym sponsored by the den will advance into a two-way that Jude was writing about school library and the junior play-off with Scranton, provided (V. 16). These are complainers their mouth speaking great swell prophets) ing words having mens persons Math. 15:14 - And if the blind

(V. 17) But beloved remember score was all knotted up at the ye the words that were spoken before of the Apostles of our Lord third quarter the Panthers took Jesus Christ. How they told you

> These be they who separate the spirit. Anyone that denies the spirit of God is not a child of God. Romans 8:9. Now if any man have not the spirit of Christ he is none of His.

that claim to be a religious sect. Christ refers to them in Rev. 3:9 Behold I will make them of the

Romans 2:28 For he is not a Jew which is one outwardly, neither GOES TO SEMINOLE



Work Guaranteed . JEWELRY J. E. Powell

Roberts St. next to Bibby's GORMAN



BUILDING A HOME?

Don't wait until curtains are hung before thinking about insurance protection. Trouble may

And if Fire strikes during the construction period, you'll be set back many a dollar.

Don't delay. Ask us about insurance protection for your newhome investment NOW.

# Gorman nsurance

Agency

Berenice Jeff: CHECKER CONTRACTOR

J. E. WALKER Druggist Phones Nite 109 Llehaffey Drug

vis that clrcumcision which is outwardly in the flesh.

V. 29 - But he is a Jew which is one inwardly and circumcision is that of the heart in the spirit Jude:3 - Beloved when I gave and not in the letter, whose

The Bible is a written letter from God to man, but you must and Mrs. Bill Parks is quite ill have the circumcision of the heart in a Dallas Hospital. She is the FISHERMEN LEAVE in the spirit to be a child of God. 3 month old daughter of Mr. and FOR PORT ARKANSAS faith which was once delivered Christ tells us what will be the Mrs. Doyle James. outcome of this common religious

wonderous works.

ture that having the name out- Lohman. God. It must be inwardly.

V. 23 - And then will I profess part from me ye that work iniclass. More information will be that Scranton gets past Strawn walking after their own lust, and quity. (Notice this is the false

> in admiration because of advan-shall lead the blind both shall fall into the ditch.

Luke 13:25 - When once the low, and family of Ballinger. and hath shut to the door and this week in Cisco with her son, a nine point lead and fought off there should be mockers in the brock assisted the land Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Greenhaw. and Ms. Buryl Scott, Mr. and Mrs. last time who should walk after knock saying, Lord, Lord open un Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Martin of Roberts Mires, all of Oil Center, The Gorman girls walloped themselves sensual having not begin to say we have eaten in H. D. Martin. Mrs. Martin has Abel. thy presence and thou has taught in our streets.

These are the ones that have done all these things expecting This common salvation are they to be saved and missed Christ and wound up in Hell.

Brethern we should examine ourselves and see what kind of Peggy West Mary Watson, play- synagogue of Satan which say salvation we have - this is an eter

BARBER WARREN CATES

Warren Cates, young barber, who has been working at the Otwell Barber Shop for several months, left last week for Seminole, Texas where he has accepted a barbering job in that city.

Published on Thursday at Gorman Eastland County, Texas Entered as Second Class Mail at the Postoffice in Gorman, Texas, under the Act of March 3, 1879.

EUGENE (Gene) BAKER Owner-Publisher LUCRETIA FAIRBETTER, Editor JOE BENNETT, Shop Foreman KEN EZZELL, Apprentice

ADVERTISING RATES 35c Per Column Inch

SUBSCRIPTION RATES Local, Trale Territory - 1.50 Yr. Out of Trade Territory - \$2 Yr.

# Desdemona News

Health in this community isn't too bad at this writing.

Mrs. Nina Lohman is suffering with flu at this writing.

The little granddaughter of Mr.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Warden and children of Kermitt spent the Mathew 7:22 - Many will say week end hee with her mother, to me in that day Lord, Lord, Mrs. Nina Lohman, and grandhave we not prophesied in thy mother, "Aunt Sally" Eaton. Also name, and thy name cast out de- his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willis vils and in thy name done many Warden. Also Mrs. Esther Pil- been ill for sometime but is regrim and children of Cisco visit- ported improved at this writing. We can plainly see by this scrip ed with her mother, Mrs. Nina

man and Mrs. Ethel Keith attend ed the funeral of Mr. Ben Smith unto them I never knew you, de- in Carlton Saturday. Mrs. Sally Eaton returned home with them. Mr. Smith was a brother-in-law of Mrs. Eaton.

Miss Rosetta White, daughter of Mrs. J. N. Abernathy, returned home after an extended visit home, Mr. Rufus Duke. with her sister, Mrs. Coke Brume

Master of the house is risen up Mrs. L. E. Greenhaw is visiting ill in Fort Worth.

to us and He shall answer and Denton and Mr. and Mrs. C. D. New Mexico, were visitors with say unto you, "I know you not Porter of Kingsville were week their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. whence ye are." Then shall ye end visitors with Rev. and Mrs. Joiner. Also Mr. and Mrs. R. H.

GORMAN TEACHERS ATTEND MEETING IN EASTLAND

Teachers of the Gorman School expected to attend a meeting of the teachers of Eastland County being htld in Eastland on Wed-

nesday night.

Leaving for Port Aransas on Monday to enjoy o fishing holiday were Barton Eppler, Dr. Edward Blackwell, Davis Smith and R. C. Mehaffey.

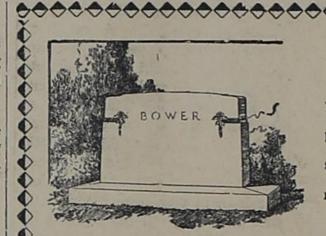
A quilting party was enjoyed Thursday by a group of women at the home of Mrs. Willis War-

Mr. Major Keith left Monday to spend a few days in Odessa with his sons, Mack and Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Keith. Also a daughter, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Taylor. Mr. Bates Duke of Wink visit

ed the week end in his father's

Mrs. Buck Hensley, mother of Mrs. Less Williams, remains quite

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Abel, Mr.



For over sixty-eight

years it has been our privilege to render a service to this com-

# Alex Rawlins & Sons

— MONUMENT BUILDERS ---Phone 24 Weatherford, Texas

Mrs. Dave Ramsey, Gorman Representative <del>2</del>

Blonde Desk - Consoles - Portables - Treadles Blind Stitcher — Buttonholer — Zig-Zagger and many other attachments

GOOD USED MACHINES — GUARANTEED

West side of Square

it's not what you do

Sure, mom, he did a messy job . . . but why waste your energy in yelling at him . . . it's only a sure way of making him resentful.



it's the way you do it

Just be sure he has plenty of hot water at all times. . . This is easy with a new Gas Water Heater.

Easy Terms





JAMES McCOY, District Manager GORMAN, TEXAS

MARCH OF DIMES

Line His name is George Wash-

Observances are worthwhile.

ington Carver.

cy until the economical, the moral George Washington Carver is

and the cultural status of the the man who made it possible

Southern Negro has reached a for Gorman to be "The Peanut

1952

LICENSE TAGS

May Be Purchased From

E.E. TODD at HIGGINBOTHAM'S

Be sure to bring your Certificate of Title

Tax Assessor - Collector

EASTLAND COUNTY

Mrs. Gene Baker

and last year's license receipt.

The condition of Dr. Rodgers remains about the same at this writing Wednesday morning.

released from the hospital dur- as. ing the week end She will go to Austin for an extended visit change, T Sgt. James Hendrick of with her daughter, Mrs. Bert Mc the Eastland Recruiting Station, been named general chairman of Glamery, and Mr. McGlamery.

Mr. Walter Underwood, who has been a resident patient at Blackwell for the past two months, expected to be taken to his home today (Thursday). Mrs. Underwood has receovered sufficient ly to wait on herself and to fix their meals.

California.

Mrs. Cora Sessums was a treat-Route 1, Gorman.

whose injury in an accident and tact him at once. progress of his illness have been reported in this paper, was able tion is located at 311 West Main formation. last week to walk out of the hospital. He continues to recuperate at his home.

Mrs. George Hallmark is recovering from an attack of the flu.

Mrs. A. H. Bibby of the Bibby Department Store, who has been a patient at Blackwells for the past ten days, was reported as im proved on Tuesday-

Dr. H. H. Inzer of De Leon continues to be a patient at Black-

Mrs. George Bell entered the hospital on Monday and experien ced an operation on Tuesday morning.

Mrs. Alva Brown of De Leon was a patient at Blackwells on Monday night She was dismissed Tuesday morning following treat

A. L. Cribbs of Crystal City entered Blackwell-Rodgers during the week end. He was accompanied to Gorman from his home by Mrs. Cribbs, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Boucher

Mrs. Cribbs returned to Crystal City where she is teaching. Mrs. Boucher reports that Mr. Cribbs is improving.

P. S. Pullig is reported to have improved. Mr. Pullig has been having trouble with his teeth. A younger man might just remove his dentures but not 95 year-old Mr. Pullig. His teeth have roots no dentures.

# Illness In Gorman Eligibility Rules **Erased For Cadets**

Mrs. E. W. Kimble, who has men are eligible to apply for Air County! for the past eight weeks been a Force flying trainingn as a result! patient at the Blackwell-Rodgers of the AF decision to eliminate Sanitarium recuperating from a the 18 month service requirement broken ankle, is expected to be for men with high school diplom-

In announcing this new rule Irvin P. Krick. explained that ten thousand pilot and observer applicants are need ed immediately Even an airman in basic training may apply. Age requirements remain at 20-26 1|2 years. After initial appointment the cadet will enter into a 12 month training schedule for pilot training or a 6-12 month training schedule for observer training, Mrs. Leona Avinger, R. N. at depending on his future crew Blackwells, is recovering from a position. Upon graduation he will major operation. She is being be commissioned a 2nd Lieutenvisited and attended by her moth ant in the AF Reserve and enter er, Mrs. Hartwig, of Los Angeles, on active duty as flying officer A Good Bank to Bank With in the USAF.

This is the opportunity that ment patient case at Blackwells many young men have been wait this week. Mrs. Sessums lives on ing for and Sgt. Hendrick urges Street in Eastland and Sgt. Henthose who can meet the qualifica- drick will be in Gorman each Mr. W. T. Keith of De Leon, tions and are interested to con- Friday at the Post Office from

RAIN TO COST ERATH FARMERS \$6000 WHAT ABOUT EASTLAND?

We notice in a Fort Worth Press news item that "The rain-Thousands of additional young making man is coming to Erath

Drouth-stricken landowners of the county have joined forces to raise \$6000 for purposes of contracting with the nationally known rain-increasing firm of Dr.

G. D. Everett, county agent, has the group. Stephenville chairman is G. O. (Doc) Brown and Chas. Neblett Jr., is treasurer. For the western section of the county Robert Couch of Dublin is chairman and T. C. Granberry is treas-

Now the 64-dollar question Will Eastland County just over the imaginary line receive any of the rain and if she does who pays

First National Bank, Gorman.

10:30 A. M. until Noon to inter-The Eastland Recruiting Sta- | view applicants for pass on in-

NOTICE-We do first class renovating on mattresses. We make new cotton and innerspring mattory, Phone 148-W2 De Leor Tex. foolish superstition. We pick up and deliver.

DEAD ANIMAL SERVICE Hamilton Rendering Co.

Universal Electric Water Systems Sales and Service at Gorman Machine Shop. Your Massey-Harris Dealer - Harvey Parker.

BABY CHICKS - R. O. P. Sired Large Type English White Leghorns, Minorcas, Reds, Wyandottes, Orpingtons, New Hampshires, Austra-Whites and other Hybrids. \$1 per 100 discount on orders till March 1st. Write for prices or come to see us. First Hatch Feb. 11th. Star Hatchery, Baird, Texas

for all makes. Will be at Gorman the traditions continue to be en-Hotel every fourth Saturday in joyed as tales of America's great each month. Dr. J. H. Johnson, est hero. Stephenville, Texas.

WANTED: More people to learn cars insured in the U.S.A. C. J. Thompson, Office Phone 590 De Leon and Comanche

INLAND Tires and Tubes, guaranteed 15 months against any hazard. We can save you some money - We trade. Gorman Machine Shop, Your Massey-Harris Dealer.

Harper.

FOR LEASE - Service Station formerly operated by Lon Carwile in Gorman, Texas. Write Box G, De Leon, Texas or Phone 4375, De Leon Texas.

house refrigerator. See Mrs. E. COLOR LINE, a heavy black, acts C. Bramlett.

FOUND - Key to Yale Lock Pay for the ad and get key at the Gorman Progress.

FOR SALE - 250 gallon Propane tank and pipe. Practically new. C. L. Rogers, Rt. 2.

HOUSE FOR RENT - 4 rooms and bath, hot and cold water, 2 porches, garden if wanted. I still want to buy almost any kind of | gun that is really old. Roscoe Reeves. Phone 36 1tp

FOR SALE - Electric water system for shallow well, complete with tank for \$40. Gorman Machine Shop.

BABY CHICKS

First hatch off January 28th. Order yours today. Will have the following breeds: Rhode Island Reds, Barred Rocks, White Rocks, New Hampshires, Hamp White Cross, White Leghorns, Brown Leghorns. Rising Star Hatchery Rising Star, Texas. 2-14fn

Why buy a new radio. Many old radios I have repaired during the last five years are giving better service, at less cost than new sets. Radios up to twenty years old accepted. Kay Radio & Television, De Levi, Texas 2-14fn

- The First National Bank of Gorman has been serving this territory for over 50 years -

GLASSES **Correctly Fitted** 

Economically Priced

Dr. Geo. Blackwell Blackwell Sanitarium Gorman Texas

Un-Skinned CALL COLLECT

Gorman 300 - or Brownwood 9494

Brownwood Rendering Co.

# Days Of February

Observance of special days in the month of February has helped Americans to keep alive heroic tradition, sentimental customs resses. Pritchard Mattress Fac- and revered ideals as well as a

The ground hog, onnce considered an authoritative weather prophet, has missed the mark so often that he has become a sub-Free and sure - Call collect - ject only for wisecracks. His day, of Human Rights. Phone 303, Hamilton, Tex. fn February 2nd, has slipped far down the scale of important calendar dates.

> Sentimental customs, fighting a continuous battle with commercialism, are losing much of their charm. Most ofthe fascination of secrecy is gone from the sending of Valentines. And with the rampant sophistication of today there is no need for February 29th-

Washington's Birthday, February 22nd., the most widely commemorated of the special days, has lost for Americans none of its importance although fancies HEARING AIDS and Batteries have given away to fact while

Historians have pulled the traditions from about another great American. On February 12th, 18why State Farm Mutual Auto In- 61 accordingt o the New York surance Company has 2 million Herald the Great Emancipator on his birthday was traveling toward the Captiol of the United States. Said the New York Herald, according to Collier's "The turnout of the yeomanary increases as the train progresses eastward. Most of the stations are handsomely decorated with flags. The president-elect continues reserved and thoughtful and stays most of the FOR SALE - Modern four room time alone in the private saloon house. Call 188J. Frankie Jo (state apartment or large recept 2-14fn ion room-Webster) prepared for his special use."

Ninety-one years ago, the man who was to give his life while he tried to erase the COLOR LINE, was on his way to Washington, D. C. He was aboard The Wabash FOR SALE - Servel or Westing- from Springfield, Illinois. The 1tp as a strong repellent to many un-Christian and to others lacking

> Front End Alignment **Specialists**

KING MOTOR CO.

Phone 42 Eastland

Make Your

BELTS - BUCKLES - BUTTON HOLES

At My Home Lexington Ave.

Let-

understanding. Many folks have

long believed the COLOR LINE

to be a protection. But Abraham

Lincoln recognized it as a bar that

kept the black race in ignorance

Lincoln was not successful in

his attempt to erase the Color

Line. This fact does not lessen

His greatness, for the line will not

be erased by one man or by for-

ced legislation under the heading

Great Southern men both white

and black have broken the Color

Line and will continue to break

it and with even greater frequen-

the first president, who has made

the greatest break in the Color

high level. It is a name sake of Capital".

and poverty.

Gorman



It's a Deal!

Remember when the shake of the hand sealed a business deal? It was a friendly way, built up on respect for the other fellow. You'll find the very some friendliness here today, but we've added insurance to make things safer for you. No more, "But I thought you meant this," or "I said that!" We safeguard all transactions with you by putting it on paper, thus eliminating any loss because of misunderstanding. Profit the modern way.



# We Give This Saving To You -

Our Supplier, Butler Brothers, is celebrating their 75th Anniversary with a Nation Wide JUBILEE and in cooperation with about 1900 independent variety stores is making it possible to offer you about ten items each month at SPECIAL PRICES.

See our window with month of February Specials. Each month thereafter we will have something EXTRA SPECIAL for YOU.

On these Special Items we will only get a limited supply. Watch for these items each month.

ITS SMART TO BE ECONOMICAL

T. O. SHELLEY, Owner

Gorman, Texas

AUTOMATIC When you set the control on ELECTRIC BED COVERING

elax and lie down to pleasant dreams. The automatic control of your electric bed covering is the guardian of your night-time comfort. No matter how outside temperature varies, you'll have the slumbe

climate you like best. One night's sleep under a light-as-foam electric blanket or electric sheet will prove that electric bed

Don't spend another night without this extra comfort . . . select electric bed covering at your electric appliance dealer's today!

covering promotes healthful, relaxed sleep.

TEXAS ELECTRIC SERVIC L. D. STEWART, Manager

# A REVIEW

Layton L. Plaster Church of Christ

As a preface to this article wish to make the following statement, and be clearly understood in my purposes and intentions. I have no ill will toward any individual or group because of religious differences, neither do I seek to discredit anyone because their religious views may conflict with mine. I desire only one thing that Truth may run and have free course in the hearts and lives of men and women and boys and girls. To this end I have dedi cated my life in service to God and to His Son Jesus, the Savior of the World Though I try never to take direct issue with what someone may preach from his own pulpit, I feel that when an article is printed in the newspaper it then becomes public property (unless it is copyrighted). To allow error of this nature to go unchallenged is something equal to approving it. It is because of this deep conviction that I review the following article for your consideration.

## THE FAITH OF CHRIST

The title itself is misleading and suggests an idea that is not in harmony with Bible teaching. The title suggests that Jesus possessed faith. This misses the Truth. The truth is, Jesus possessed the knowledge and was and is the object of Faith. There end. is a wide difference between faith and knowledge. It seems Brownings that they are enjoying that my friend who wrote this article does not clearly undered when we read from the Ameri Bettis, and family. can Standard Version. Hear these Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Haley and the law but through faith in Jes- Morrows on Sunday. us Christ, even we believed on Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Richards, Christ Jesus, that we might be Mrs. Fannie Hunt, Mrs. Chas Unjustified by faith in Christ, and derwood, and Mr A. V. Littlefield Commissioner Precinct Two not by works of the law: because Mrs. Dave Harper and Rev. and A. M. THURMAN (re-election) by the works of the law shall no Mrs. Tom Small attended the

Second, our friend says, "Faith Mrs. Erma Brown of Lubbock ROY L. LANE - Re-election without the resurrection is vain - spent several days this week with - that kind of faith would not go her mother, Mrs. J. L. Glasson. A Judge 91st Judiciall District through the resurrection." This granddaughter from Weatherford, statement is a bit jumbled up and Ms. Corcange, spent the week end is not very clear, but Christ as- with her grandmother, Mrs. J. L. sures us that everyone is going Glasson. through the resurrection regardless of faith or lack of faith Read John 5:28,29.

Hear again, "Faith without works is dead," James 2:26, "That kind of faith would not save a soul, and Christ being our Savior He must have done the work." Missed again. James does not even have Christ in the discussion. James is discussing the faith and work of men and women just like you and me. Hear verse 24, "Ye see then how that by works a man is justified and not by faith only."

Listen to this argument. "The preacher preaches the word the lost believe it, Christ takes over saves the soul, justifies them through the faith of Christ. The person's faith becomes knowledge." That Christ "takes over saves the soul" when a person believes, needs a little more support than just some preacher saying so. James tells us, "Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well; the devil also believe and tremble. But wilt thou know, O vain man that faith without works is dead? James 2:19,20. Do you suppose that Christ "takes over and saves" the devils because they believe? Doesn't this sound a little out of joint with sound doctrine? Friends, we receive salvation even the remission of our sins when we hear the Gospel, believe its facts, and obeyits commands, and not until this is completed is there any pro mise of salvation given to us in the Word of God. Think on these things. Read Romans 6:17, also 6:1-10 especially. It is your soul that is at stake, not your customs or your ideas. The Lord will ing, I shall write more as occasion permits, and I shall welcome your criticisms and comments. For "I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ," and I also believe that Truth will make men

Yours in Love for the Truth;

Layton L. Plaster Box 11, Gorman, Texas

-- The First National Bank c' Gorman is the Oldest Bank in Eastland County. A Good Bank to Bank With.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Porter visited with their daughter, Mrs. Dwayne Clement, and Mr. Clement in Hamlin during the week end. The Porters and the Clements visited on Sunday in Colorado City with Mrs. Porter's bro ther, Bill Stanfield.

Jim Coffman of Stephenville was visiting with his sister, Mrs. Amos Eaker, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Underwood and Mr. and Mrs. Luke Wright and Karen visited with the Reese Alldays in Fort Worth on Sunday.

Mrs. Mary Moore and sons of El Paso and Miss Merle Taylor in the Air Force and left Monday, who have been visiting with re- February 10th for Dallas. He has latives in Gorman during the past been working in the "Convair" week were guests of the E. E. Todds on Sunday aftetrnoon.

Miss Margery Warren of Fort Worth visited with the Leland visiting his sister, Mrs. Dishman Warrens, her parents, during the of Dishman. week end. Another guest of the Warrens was their niece, Gloria CORRECTION: Jay, of Waco.

Jalene Bell and Bobbie Jean The Gorman Progress regrets Rachel visited in Fort Worth and the error and gladly makes the Dallas from Thursday through correction of lines appearing in

Dean returned to Gorman with has since been reported as a bach the Ormsbys. She had spent the elor. past week in their home.

Sgt. and Mrs. Elmer Stacy of Fort Worth visited their parents and son, Mike, during the week ANNOUNCEMENTS

Word comes from the Lloyd their new home in Arlington.

Carolyn Harrell of Baylor Med stand Galatians 2:16 from which ical spent the week end visiting this idea seems to have been with her mother, Mrs. Ethel Hardrawn. This mist is quickly clear rell, and her brother, Lt. Bill

words, "Yet knowing that a man Mr. and Mrs. T. 31. Collie of Congress, 17th District is not justified by the works of Eastland visited with the T. F. JACK COX, Breckenridge

flesh be justified. Gal. 2:16 -(Am. Baptist Workers Conference at B. M. BENNETT Breckenridge this week.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Emory Tax Assessor - Collector Hill last week were their children STANLEY A. WEBB

Mrs. Cecil Cox and Mrs. Bud Allen from Sundown, Texas. Mr. Basil Hill of De Soto, Texas. Mrs. Loise Fulce and daughter Mrs. Jimmie Fisk, and little son, David Wayne, of Dallas. Also Mrs. Hill's brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Counts, of Morgan Mil and their son and wife. Sgt. and Mrs. Ralph Lee Counts, of Topeka Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. John Howard Claitor of Fort Worth visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Claitor, Saturday of last week.

James Jamison and children of Seguin visited his sister, Mrs. John Claitor, and Mr. Claitor re-

John Howard Claitor enlisted

plant in Fort Woth in the account ing department.

the February 7th edition, "His

# POLITICAL

orized to announce the names of the United States, in advance, to the following citizens as candi- take any military action outside of dates for the respective offices our territory.

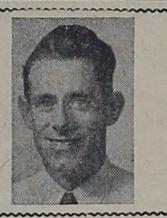
District Attorney J. M. NUESSLE, Ranger

FRANK SPARKS

H. H. HARDEMAN, Eastland

B. M. BENNETT CANDIDATE FOR COMMISSIONER

PRECINCT TWO



# SPECIAL SALE CHENILLE BEDSPREADS

Size 90x108 - Dyed background with a beautiful multi-colored design, Colors Red, Wine, Blue, Aqua, Gold, Green, Carnation and Orchid. A BIG SAVINGS ON THESE BEDSPREADS

On Sale Saturday for - 2.99



A FOREIGN POLICY FOR AMERICANS

# History of Our Foreign Policy, And Where Are We Heading?



# BY SENATOR ROBERT A. TAFT

CHAPTER 1

No one can think intelligently on the many complicated problems of American foreign policy unless he decides first what he considers the real purpose and object of that policy.

Fundamentally, I believe the ultimate purpose of our foreign policy must be to protect the liberty of the people of the United States. The American Revolution was fought to establish a nation "conceived in liberty." That liberty has enabled our people to increase steadily their material welfare and their spiritual freedom.

To achieve that liberty we have gone to war, and to protect it we would go to war again.

Only second to liberty is the maintenance of peace. The results of war may be almost as bad as the destruction of liberty and, in Mr. J. P. Dunlap of Houston is fact, may lead, even if the war is won, to something very close to the destruction of liberty at home. War not only produces pitiful human suffering and utter destruction of many things worth-while, but it is almost as disastrous for the victor as for the vanquished.

# Not Isolationism

and non-interference with other nations was based on the principle Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ormsby and young wife remains at their post that this policy was the best way to Paul Dean visited his parents dur . . etc," under item Missionary avoid disputes with other nations ing the week end. Mrs. Frank To Africa. Brother Eldred Echols and to maintain the liberty of this country without war.

From the days of George Washington that has been the policy of the United States. It has never been isolationism; but it has always avoided alliances and interference in foreign quarrels as a preventive against possible war, and it has The Gorman Progress is auth- always opposed any commitment by

I have always felt, however, that under which their names are list- we should depart from this prined, subject to the action of the ciple if we could set up an effective Democratic primary to be held in international organization, because in the long run the success of such an organization should be the most effective assurance of world peace and therefore of American peace. I regretted that we did not join the League of Nations.

We have now taken the lead in establishing the United Nations. The purpose is to establish a rule of law throughout the world and protect the people of the United States by punishing aggression the moment it starts and deterring future aggression through joint action of the members of such an organization.

# Theory of Preventive War

I think we must recognize that this involves the theory of a preventive war, a dangerous undertaking at any time. Our Korean adventure shows the tremendous danger, if the new organization is badly organized or improperly supported by its members and by the public opinion of the world.

The United Nations has failed to protect our peace, I believe, because it was organized on an unsound basis with a veto power in five nations and is based, in fact, on the joint power of such nations, effective only so long as they agree. I believe the concept can only be successful if based on a rule of law and justice between nations and willingness on the part of all nations to abide by the decisions of an impartial tribunal.

The fact that the present organization has largely failed in its purpose has forced us to use other means to meet the present emergency, but there is no reason to abandon the concept of collective security which, by discouraging and preventing the use of war as national policy, can ultimately protect the liberty of the people of the United States and enforce peace.

# Domestic Policy Vital

Just as our nation can be destroyed by war it can also be destroyed by a political or economicpolicy at home which destroys liberty or breaks down the fiscal and economic structure of the United

We cannot adopt a foreign policy which gives away all of our people's earnings or imposes such a tremendous burden on the individual American as, in effect, to destroy his incentive and his ability to increase production and productivity and his standard of living.

It follows that except as such policies may ultimately protect our own security, we have no primary interest as a national policy to improve conditions or material welfare in other parts of the world or to change other forms of government. Certainly we should not engage in war to achieve such purposes.

I don't mean to say that, as responsible citizens of the world, we should not gladly extend charity or assistance to those in need. I do not mean to say that we should not align ourselves with the advocates of freedom everywhere.

But the contribution of supplies to meet extraordinary droughts or famine or refugee problems or other emergencies is very different from a global plan for general free assistance to all mankind on an organized scale as part of our foreign policy. Such a plan, as carried out today, can only be justified on a temporary basis as part of the battle against communism. It has been undertaken as an emergency measure.

Beyond Our Capacity

Our foreign policy in ordinary times should not be primarily in-

spired by the motive of raising the standard of living of millions throughout the world, because that is utterly beyond our capacity.

We hear a great deal of argument that if we do not deliberately, as part of a world welfare program. contribute to the raising of standards of living of peoples with low income they will turn Communist and go to war against us. Apart from such emergency situations as justified the Marshall Plan, following World War II, I see no evidence that this is true. Recent wars have not been started by poverty-strick-Our traditional policy of neutrality en peoples, as in China or India, but by prosperous peoples, as in a Germany led by dictators.

# Moral Leadership

There are a good many Americans who talk about an American century in which America will dominate the world. They rightly point out that the United States is so powerful today that we should assume a moral leadership in the world to solve all the troubles of mankind.

I quite agree that we need that moral leadership not only abroad but also at home. We can take the moral leadership in trying to improve the international organization for peace. I think we can take leadership in the providing of example and advice for the improvement of material standards of living throughout the world.

If we confine our activities to the field of moral leadership we shall be successful if our philosophy is sound and appeals to the people of

Our active partisanship in World War II was based on the theory that a Hitler victory would make Germany a serious threat to the liberty of the United States. I did not believe that Germany would be such a threat, particularly after Hitler brought Russia into the war, and that is the reason I opposed the war policy of the Administration from the elections of 1940 to the attack on the United States at Pearl Harbor in December 1941.

# A Russian Threat

The more recent measures for Marshall Plan aid on a global scale -and to the extent of billions of dollars of American taxpayers' money-and the Atlantic Pact arms program are and must be based on the theory that Russia today presents a real threat to the security of the United States.

The Russian threat has become so serious today that in defense of the liberty and peace of the people of the United States I think we are justified in extending economic aid and military aid to many countries, but only when it can be clearly shown in each case that such aid will be an effective means of combating Communist aggression. We have now felt it necessary in order to protect the liberty of the United States against an extraordinary special threat to adopt a policy which I do not believe should be considered as part of any permanent foreign

1. We have had to set up a much larger armed force than we have ever had to do before in time of peace, in order to meet the Communist threat, I believe this effort should be directed particularly toward a development of an all-powerful air force.

# Economic, Military Aid

2. We have had to adopt as a emporary measure the policy of extending economic and military aid to all those countries which, with the use of such aid, can perhaps prevent the extension of Russian military power or Russian or Communist influence. We have backed that up by announcing definitely to Russia that if it undertakes aggression against certain countries whose independence is important to us it will find itself at war with us. This is a kind of Monroe Doctrine for Europe. 3. We have had to adopt a policy

of military alliances to deter, at least, the spread of Communist power. To control sea and air throughout the world, the British alliance is peculiarly important. Again, we hope that with the decline of Russian power and the re-establishment of an international organization for peace such alliances may be un-

I opposed that feature of the Atlantic Pact which looked toward a commitment of the United States to fight a land war on the continent of Europe and therefore opposed, except to a limited degree, the commitment of land troops to

NEXT WEEK: The place of the President and Congress in foreign policy.

(From "A Foreign Policy for Americans." Copyright 1951 by Robert A. Taft. Published by Doubleday and Company, Inc. Released by The Register and Tribune Syndicate and WNU.)



NOW! THE TOPPER! You wear it everywhere, . . every time with the greatest of ease and good looks. We mean our hip-length topper, of course. So right from every aspect. . .

it's flared all-round . . has deep cuffed bracelet-length sleeves.





