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By Kernel Gene, aPe

Because next week is my Ninth anniversary and I am sort of patting myself and associates on the back, I am certain you will permit me to name my personal choice for Lady of the Week, the year round.

Until I met Theresa if I stayed in one town over a year I became restless and was soon on my way to greener pastures. I met and married her in 1940 in Ranger - as the old saying goes, "Life begins at 40."

Most men have their standing joke as to how they were tricked into matrimony. Mine is: "Foy Burke, a friend of mine in Dallas gave me an old Terraplane to use when I moved to Ranger. Shortly after arriving in Ranger the Terraplane broke down and while I was standing on the roadside pondering what to do, along came Theresa in a new Chevrolet. I had met her at the Baptist Church a few Sundays before.



She said, "Hello, do you want to get married?"

I said, "Will matrimony include the new Chevrolet?"

She said, "Yes."

I said, "Let us go get the license."

She said, "I have the license and the preacher is waiting."

As far as I know the Terraplane is still sitting by the roadside and I have been a happy, though henpecked, husband since that time.

Like most men who were fortunate in finding good mate, Theresa has been all of that and more too. She bolstered my ego when the going got rough. Stood cheerfully by during my grumpy spells and diplomatically sidetracked me from some bad decisions. Aside from helping out the office whenever I need her she enjoys her church, clubs and civic work. Like the Kernel she enjoys the plaudits of the crowd and never hesitates to help out in amateur plays when called on.

So, the corsage is on the Progress this week, Preston, and thanks folks for permitting me this personal pleasure.

P. S. - This will probably save me having to put out for a Valentine gift.

I have been advised by a lady who has had lots of experience in contests that I should make my entry on the Peanut Contest not later than 11 o'clock Monday - so 11 o'clock, Monday, February 15th is the deadline for entering our Southwest Spanish Peanut Contest. The judging will take place that afternoon at the Progress office, shortly after 2 o'clock as the judges will be unable to arrive before then.

The judges will be Mrs. Mattie A. Walker, Head of the Home Economic Department of Tarleton College, assisted by Miss Lee Edwin Terry, Director of Foods in the Department of Home Economics and Mrs. T. A. Hensarling, Director of the College Dining Hall.

Thanks to President Howell of Tarleton and these ladies for so graciously offering their assistance.

In other parts of the paper this week are pictures I snapped of the Progress force at work. The

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Funeral Services For Bricie Owens Held Wednesday

Funeral services for Bricie F. Owens, 69, was held in the Church of Christ on Wednesday afternoon at 3 p. m. with Minister Leroy Cowan, assisted by Rev. Tom Small, conducting.

Mr. Owens died at Blackwell Hospital early Tuesday. He was born January 10th, 1885 in Oxford, Mississippi. He, with his family, have been longtime residents of Gorman and are well known in Eastland and Comanche Counties. His wife had preceded him in death.

Surviving him are three sons and four daughters, Walter, James and Doyle Owens of Gorman, Mrs. Irene Stuart of Pettus, Texas, Mrs. Mary Ann Bone of San Antonio, Miss Mozelle Owens of Pettus, and Mrs. Winnie Isbel of Beeville.

There are also ten grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

Interment was made at the Oliver Springs Cemetery.

With Our Boys In Service

Bobby Jack Ragland is in Camp Chaffee, Arkansas at this writing waiting to receive his discharge.

George Palmer is reported to be enroute home from Korea.

Sgt. Carl R. Rogers, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Rogers of the Cheaney Community is due to leave Korea February 10th. Carl left Dallas one year ago on the same date for Korea. He served with the 31st F. A. Ben of 7th Inf. Division. Carl is married. He and Mrs. Rogers plan to live in Grand Prairie after March 24 when his discharge from active service is final.

Charles Neger is reported to be starting home February 15th from Europe. He is of Co. L 172 Inf. Regt. 43 Division.

Kenneth R. Bennett has returned from overseas. His expected discharge may have been issued before this date. His new address sent to the Progress, is his home, Goldsmith, Texas.

We can imagine how happy the parents of these boys must be.

Bobby Gale Hallmark is expected to be sailing or flying back to the USA about February 15th. After approximately 30 months overseas this message from Bobby Gale is the best the George Hallmarks have had for a long time.

Hallmark, a telegraph operator has been stationed in Northern Japan at No. 12 Radar Site, about 180 miles north of Tokyo. Mail reached him only twice a week and then a trip of eighty miles had to be made to get it.

After a furlough Bobby will be stationed at Randolph Field for the remainder of his time of enlistment in the Air Force. He left the states after basic and radar school in the Northeast.

Bon Voyage and Happy Landing, Bobby.

Charles Mauney, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Mauney, Route 1, Gorman has enlisted in the Navy. He has not reported for induction at this writing.

CORRECTION

The Gorman Progress regrets that the name of Mrs. Ronald Payne of Snyder, the former Janet Isbell, appeared under "Featured As Model" in error as Mrs. Bobby Payne.

NEW PLUMBER IN TOWN

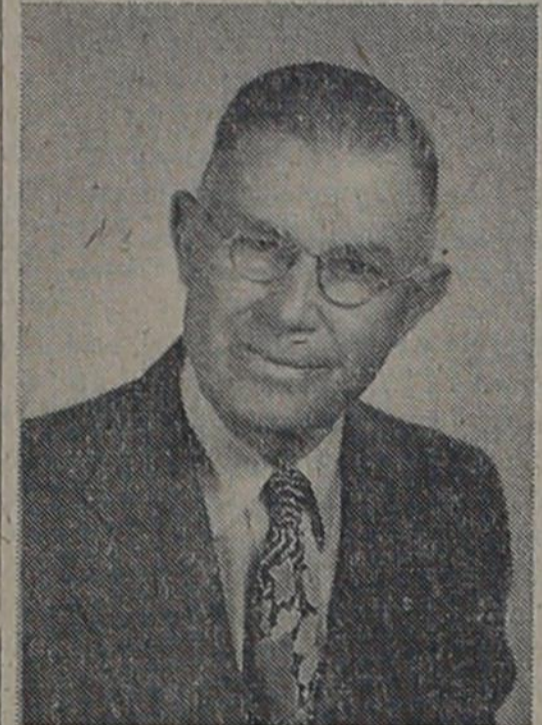
Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Kellogg have just moved into our city. They formerly resided at Iran, Texas.

Mr. Kellogg is a plumber and is now associated with Higginbotham's. They have one daughter, Francis Ann, age 15.

Mrs. Albert White and Mr. White visited with her parents, the L. E. Capers, last Friday.

Forever Yours On Valentine

Recently we visited with Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Acrea, both of whom have experienced many days of illness during the past two years, at which time we recalled that little nice things said and done are always opportune.



So with this we are saying to the two, each of whom have passed seven decades, "May yours be a Happy Valentine Day."



For fifty-four years they have been sweethearts. It was during a revival meeting at Oak Dale Community Church, near Stephenville, that they decided to be married. The traveling evangelist (whose name is not recalled for the moment) performed the ceremony, November 5, 1899, uniting Ida Haynes and T. L. Acrea.

Mr. Acrea has had a varied career. He left off farming soon after his marriage and became associated with a lumber company in Stephenville, later traveling in the firm.

In the early '20's he dropped into Desdemona and opened up a grocery, in fact business was so good he opened a second place of business. Stock of the latter store was overnight appropriated by a black-marketeer. The first grocery he and Mrs. Acrea operated for 22 years.

The Acreas moved into Gorman 13 years ago after they had previously purchased real estate.

Children of the Acreas are Delbert of Reno, Nevada, Rollie of Refugio, and Gifford of Gorman.

How's Business? Don't Answer Yet!

How's business? Just how will Gorman business men answer this query?

Do you know that the man on the street echoes the declaration of the store owner?

Surely we don't want folks going around saying, "Business is Bad, folks are just not buying." That is bad business.

Besides it is not even a half truth. Folks have been and are making money, more than ever before and they are spending all they make. That is the salaried man is spending.

When things really get tight, it is because the man who has kept his money won't shake loose.

Be-lying the statement "Business is Bad", are newcomers who have come here to go into business. New barbers on Roberts are not figuring on starving, the watch repairman at Mehaffey Drug thinks he has a good thing. A new plumber knows there is work here.

Two new employees at Blackwells, besides the technician and the doctor who moved here in 1953 are here with expectations.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hallmark and family visited in Breckenridge on Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Reynolds.

J. W. Stephens Honored On 84th Birthday, Sunday

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Anglin honored her father Sunday on his 84th birthday with a birthday dinner. The large pink and white birthday cake, baked by Mrs. Anglin, with all the trimmings, included the figures 84.

The guests greeted Mr. Stephens with Happy Birthday Dear Dad. Thanks was said by G. C. Tucker. Everyone is looking forward to next year for the same occasion.

Those present included the Hon. J. W. Stephens of Sidney, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Palmer of Sidney, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Tucker, Christine and Audrey of Arlington, Horace Maddox of Grand Prairie, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Robert son and Larry of Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Aldredge, Ronald and Mitchell of Abilene, and the hostesses, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Anglin of Gorman.

Excelsior Club Entertain With Dinner Valentine Party

Members of the Excelsior Club were host for a dinner and a Valentine Party on Tuesday night at the Methodist Annex. Guests were seated at a banquet table decorated with red and white appointments and crystal candelabras. Gene Baker gave thanks.

Following the dinner, table games were enjoyed by Mesdames Newt Crawley, S. E. Lemley, W. O. Parr, John Kirk, Dona Moorman, J. E. Foster, Ethel Harrell, J. Q. Eakin, J. T. Deavenport, Edna Nunnally, E. C. Sutton, Marvin Blair, M. F. Allen, D. J. Jobe, Mae Jones, Henry Capers, C. C. King of Stephenville, Miss Lorena Clark and Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Hile, Dr. and Mrs. T. G. Jackson, and Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Fairbetter.

A business session was held after the party.

Benefit Game To Climax March Of Dimes Drive

Woman's Study Club Discuss Mental Health At Monday Meet

Mrs. J. M. Nix, program chairman for the Monday night meeting of the Woman's Study Club, discussed Mental Attitude of the Modern Woman. She chose as a specific topic "Mental Health Is a Family Affair." Considered the increased number of people who are mentally ill, her interesting address was most timely.

The club will cooperate in the sale of food at the March of Dimes Benefit Basketball Games tonight by making sandwiches.

Each member will send a Valentine to a shut-in or semi-invalid.

The hostess, Mrs. Gus Frossard, that they might have life and that drinks.

Masons Will Be Honored At Eastern Star Meet February 19

All Masons of Gorman Lodge No. 716 A. F. and A. M. and their families are cordially invited to attend a program given by the Gorman Chapter No. 443 of the O. E. S., Friday, February 19, 7:30 p. m. at the Masonic Hall.

We'll be looking for you. Virginia Parr, W. M. Theresa Baker, Sec'y.

OPENS BARBER SHOP

We failed to see the owner of the newly opened City Barber Shop since he was in Odessa for several days.

But this barber shop should be the CLEANEST in town since it will have two Brooms, Bob and Chock.

Progressives Elect 1954-55 Officers

New officers for the year 1954-1955 were elected by the Progressive Study Club on Friday night when the club met in the home of the president, Mrs. Floyd Eison.

Mrs. David Goodwin was selected as president-elect, Mrs. Burnett Eison, vice-president, Mrs. James Jobe, Secretary, and Mrs. Daisy Peveto, Treasurer.

The club will contribute a cash donation to the March of Dimes. The members will also make pies to be sold at the Basketball Benefit tournament at the school gym, tonight.

A refreshment plate was served by the hostess during the social hour.

Desdemona WSCS To Stage Chili Supper Benefit Friday 19th

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Desdemona Methodist Church have planned a Chili Supper for Friday night, February 19th. Sandwiches, pie and coffee will also be sold. All proceeds will be used for improving the church. The women are interested in having their windows re-finished.

Announcements

The Friendly Ladies Valentine Party has been postponed until Thursday, February 18th due to the conflict with the March of Dimes Basketball Benefit at the school gym.

The sub-district meeting of the MYF will be held at Pleasant Hill Monday night.

Despite the confusion and derogatory rumors the March of Dimes Benefit Game or Games will be staged tonight, Thursday, 7:30 p. m.

Special entertainment will be furnished between halves. This event will close the March of Dimes Campaign.

Don't forget you can buy sandwiches, pie and coffee at the gym. Your admission is a donation to the fund.

Texas Electric Supt Gives Safety Rules For Kite Flyers

Safety rules for boys and girls who fly kites were outlined today by L. D. Stewart, Manager of Texas Electric Service Company, in anticipation of the opening of the 1954 kite flying season.

As explained by Mr. Stewart, the five safety rules in order of their importance are: First, fly your kite out in the open where it won't get caught in the wires or trees. Second, use only string made of cotton, silk, nylon or rayon. Third, use only wood in your kite frames. Fourth, fly kites only in good weather. You don't want to get them rain soaked. Fifth, if your kite should get caught in the electric wires, call Texas Electric Service Company. They will send someone to get it down for you.

"Local youngsters who fly kites have been very careful in the past about where and when they flew their kites," Stewart stated. "We had a perfect record last year with not one boy or girl being injured and only a few kites demolished. This year, I fully expect that even the number of kites lost will be reduced because it seems that every year, our boys and girls listen more carefully to our warnings and cooperate better in making kite flying safe."

Illness In Gorman

Gorman folks registered at the Blackwell Hospital on Tuesday morning were Roy Brown, Mrs. T. W. Stinnett, Roy Samuels, the Ernest Key Baby, and C. D. Trice.

Billy Fred Jeffs came home last Friday. He is making satisfactory recovery from operations experienced at Harris Memorial during the past two weeks. His grandmother, Mrs. John Kirk, has delayed returning to her school teaching at Ropesville.

Let's not forget our shut-ins, the Oscar Brownings, the W. L. Underwoods, Luke Groves, C. O. Alsbrook, among others.

The Floyd Porters are moving into town.

KING THEATRE

Joel McCrea - Vvonne DeCarle In BORDER RIVER Also Color Cartoon

Saturday Rocky Lane - Bob Steele In SAVAGE FRONTIER Also

Mark Stevens - Jean Kent In THE BIG FRAME Also Color Cartoon

Sunday - Monday Will Rogers, Jr. - Nancy Olson In THE BOY FROM OKLAHOMA Also

Mr. Magoo Cartoon Tuesday - Wednesday Jack Palance - Joan Fontaine In FLIGHT TO TANGIER Also

Color Cartoon Thursday - Friday Keefe Brasselle - Marilyn Erskine In THE EDDIE CANTOR STORY Also

Color Cartoon

Dates Set For Annual Indian Trail Festival - July 15th - 16th

Quarterbacks Open Membership Drive

The Quarterback Club is now conducting their annual membership drive.

This Club was organized in 1948 and since that time has maintained our park and swimming pool, sponsored the annual "Indian Trail Festival" and has supported the Athletic Program of the schools and other minor but important projects.

To carry on the above mentioned projects it takes time and money; consequently, the club earnestly solicits members that desire to have a more progressive community promoting more recreation for the youth of our community.

Dues are \$5.00 per year and the age is sixteen up.

Quarterback Club members are: Frank Rhymes, Ross Wilson, Bill Parr, Arlton Smith, Harvey Parker, Gene Baker, Milton H. Fairbetter, Floyd Porter, Ben R. Burdette, Speck Clark, B. M. Bennett, Manning Fairbetter, Keith Whitt, Speedy Clark, Jack Deavenport, Oda Monroe, W. G. Kirk, Bill Michaels, David Goodwin, J. W. Ramsey, and Gus Frossard.

METHODIST NOTES

Sunday school at 10 a. m. Worship at 11 a. m. Sermon subject: "We Believe in Salvation from Sin."

Worship at 7:15 p. m. Sermon subject: "Singleheartedness."

MYF meetings at 6:15 p. m.

WCS meetings at 3 p. m. Monday.

MYF Sub-District meeting at Pleasant Hill Methodist Church on Monday at 7 p. m.

Give God A Chance. Attend the worship services of your choice every Sunday. Floyd W. Thrash, Pastor

The Quarterback Club set the date for the "1954 Indian Trail Festival" on July 15 and 16 when they entertained their wives and presidents of the Gorman womens clubs last Thursday night.

History Of School Compiled By The Local Students

A History of the Gorman School in scrapbook form has been compiled by students from the Texas History Class and the Seniors of Gorman High under the direction of the Head of the Social Science Department, Mrs. M. F. Allen.

The students have gone to no end of trouble in copying documents and securing additional information for their project. Note is made in the preface of the assistance given them in the County Clerk's Office by Mr. Johnson Smith and also by Attorney Earl Bender of Eastland.

Mention is also made of citizens of longtime residence who provided pictures and information.

Some nineteen of the men serving as superintendent are listed. Various items tell of the founding of Gorman and of the vote of citizens to establish a school among other happenings.

Pictures of the successive buildings are shown with the dates of construction.

It is interesting to note that the first building other than the Masonic Hall, a two-story frame with six rooms and an auditorium, when razed furnished material for the building of the homes now occupied by Curtis Spence, Lonnie Hampton, Mae Jones, Carline Bennett and Norman Parks.

Much of the writing is done in a minuteness that gives the names of trustees at time transactions

New Prexy Oda Monroe presided. The Festival was cut to a 2-day observance, the same being Thursday and Friday.

Miss Ozella Pulley, president of the Woman's Study Club, asked for the Coronation as the club's work in the Festival. The Excelsiors will sponsor the Queen's Contest. The Progressives will stage the Beauty Contest. The American Legion will have charge of the Grand Parade. Bill Parr is Post Commander.

The Pet Parade is yet to have a sponsor.

It is hoped that the Business Men, the Fire Boys, the study clubs, the American Legion will sponsor candidates for the Queen of the Festival.

Program committee members are B. M. Bennett, Ross Wilson, David Goodwin, Speedy Clark, and Gene Baker.

Speedy stated that a move to make a State Park of Frank Gray Memorial is under consideration by the State Park Board. The reports at this date are favorable.

were made. Copies of deeds and contracts are given in original forms.

The present attractive grade school building has a novel history. Having had its beginning as a three story red brick it was after a period of some 25 years decapitated of one story and redressed in its present white brick. During the same period of remodeling as a WPA Project the additional space was provided for the gym, two rest rooms, stage, music room and concession room.

The high school, built in 1924, a one-story structure, is at the present time used only for storage, exception, the cafeteria at the rear is still in use.

When citizens think of the Gorman School, most have in mind the grade school and the new high

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SCHOOL NEWS

THIRD GRADE

This month is so filled with special days that we are really having to stay on the beam to keep up. This coming Friday is Lincoln's Birthday and we have to celebrate Valentine the same day. We are really having fun learning about Lincoln and writing love messages.

We wish that Judy could come to our Valentine party. Yesterday we lost a student, Rex Lewis checked out to enter school at Rising Star. We regret

to lose him for he has worked hard and has made a good student and playmate.

FOURTH GRADE

We are glad to have Linda Jean Kitchens and Larry Westmoreland back with us. They were in our class last fall.

Howard Joiner and Terry Shell were visitors at the Fort Worth Stock Show the past week end. They saw many interesting things and have been telling the rest of us about them.

We are more than happy that

our Junior Girls basketball team has won the District Championship. They, Mr. Deavenport, and Mrs. Clement have done mighty well for our school.

Again we wish to express our appreciation to the Woman's Study Club for our playground equipment. It was very kind of them.

SIXTH GRADE

We are happy to report that Dicky Townley is back in school but Alfred Lee Grice is out now with the mumps. We hope no one else has to be out of school.

In our art class the girls are making sequin and bead neckties, and the boys are going to make aluminum bracelets.

SOPHOMORE NEWS

Well here is another week. The FFA Boys went to Fort Worth on Saturday to the Fat Stock Show and some went to the Rodeo while others went to town.

The basketball teams played Strawn at Mingus and we won both games. They also played the Desdemona teams here Tuesday night. The girls flew by the Desdemona girls 62-29. The boys won over the Desdemona team 64-43.

We have been planning a class party for the last month and haven't got to have one yet.

I am also proud to say that we have a new girl in our class, Francis Ann Kellogg from Iraan.

F. F. A. NEWS

The FFA Boys completed their trip to the Fort Worth Fat Stock Show. Mr. Bramlett and Mr. Baze sponsored us. We left Gorman about 6:30 a. m. We split into groups and went to see the different part of the show. We never saw so many fat cows, bulls, and calves in our lives. We saw all breeds from Angus to the new breed, from the King Ranch in Kingsville, the Santa Gertrudis. We saw the 1954 Champions, since the beef division had already been judged earlier in the week. In the dairy division we saw many very nice Jerseys, Holsteins, Guernsey, etc.

In the sheep buildings we saw several Ramboulett, Southdown, Shropshire and many other breeds. Here we also saw the 1954 Champion ewes and bucks. In the chicken or poultry hous-

CHEANEY NEWS

Reporter, Mrs. Bill Tucker

Names of those who are ill at this reporting are Mrs. Joyce Underwood, severe cold for several days, Mrs. Lottie Mae Ainsworth, also suffering an attack of cold, Mrs. Maud Melton, stricken Saturday morning with symptoms of paralysis, from which she recov-

ered shortly, after being carried to a Ranger hospital. Apparently she was out of danger Sunday afternoon, but had developed a case of flu. Also Mrs. J. P. Strickler was not feeling at all well on Sunday.

If numbers indicate the success of a meeting, then certainly the Sunday afternoon Singing at Alameda was a grand success. Congregations, which were represented were, Gorman, Ranger, Desdemona, Flatwood, Cheaney and Alameda, and the house was filled. Nine of the young students of the ministry from Abilene Christian College took part in song leading. They were: Glenn Paden, who preaches regularly at Alameda; Loyd Ash, Cheaney minister; Jimmy Shearer, Carbon; and Paul Ernhart, Desdemona.

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The Terrys gave a plot of land on which the home stands and they state that it will be ready for occupancy by February 1954.

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Underwood and daughters, Rita and Jessie, and Gynell Blackwell. How do we know? We visited them also.

Mrs. Sula Walton visited Mrs. J. P. Strickler Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Emma Ferrell was hostess for the Cosmetic Forum, which was held Friday afternoon, February 5th. The demonstration was given by Mrs. Trice, who represents the Diana Deering line of cosmetics.

Those attending the Forum were Mesdames Tom Utley, Ben Freeman, Hatley Dean, Gid Maddox, Thelbert Jones, Sam Yancey, Richard Tucker, Bill Tucker and the hostess, Mrs. Gene Ferrell.

The J. D. Rodgers family were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Freeman, Loyd Ash, Joe Davidson and Ed Kilpatrick were the dinner guests of the John Loves.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Poteet ate supper with the Richard Tuckers on Wednesday night of last week, and were callers in the Bill Tucker home Friday night.

Odie Melton was sporting a good-looking automobile Saturday night. The J. D. Rodgers are also driving a new two-tone Chevrolet.

A recent visitor in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Moody was his uncle, Todd Comstock of Bryson, Texas. Mr. Comstock, according to the Moodys, is still hale and hearty at the remarkable age of 94 years.

The name Comstock dates back to the famous mining enterprise and Silver lode many, many years ago, so we are told.

We've always heard of a rich uncle - - someone else's, that is!

Mrs. Mary Lee Reid was returned to her home Wednesday from the Ranger hospital after several days stay. Neighbors wish her a speedy recovery.

A new automobile seen standing at the Kenneth Brown home these days - - purchased Saturday - - is a pretty light blue.

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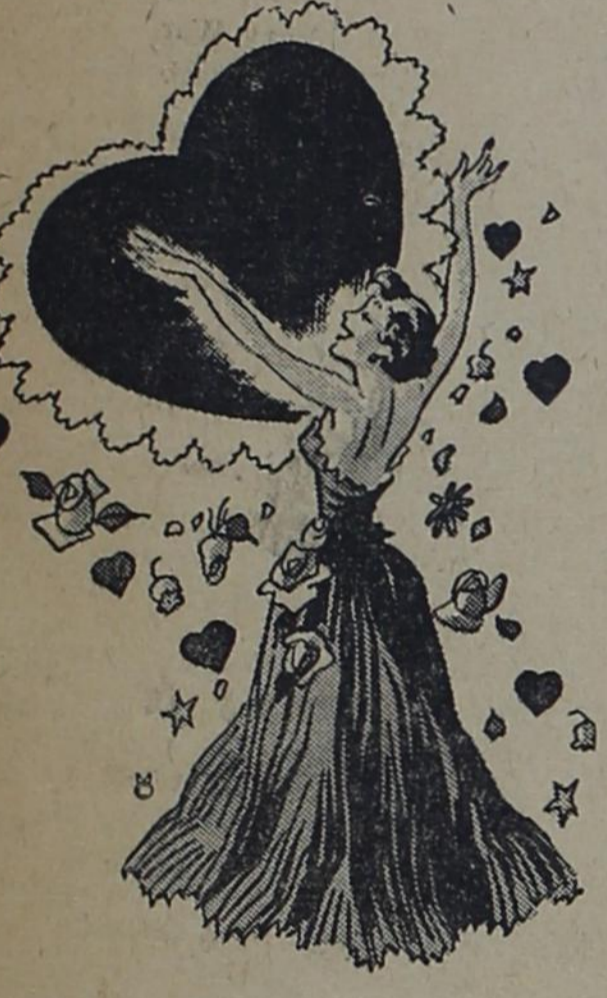
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Political Announcements

The Gorman Progress is authorized to make the following political announcements, subject to action of the Democratic Primaries July 24 and Aug. 28, 1954.

- For County Superintendent **CARL ELLIOTT** Seeking re-election second elective term **H. R. (Pop) GARRETT**
- For Sheriff: **J. F. (Frank) TUCKER** For re-election **J. B. WILLIAMS** **E. L. (Jug) DENNIS**
- For District Clerk **ROY L. LANE** (re-election) **JOHN C. NICHOLAS**
- For Tax Assessor-Collector: **STANLEY WEBB** (re-election)
- For County Treasurer: **RICHARD C. COX** (For Second Term)
- For County Clerk: **JOHNSON SMITH** (Re-election - Second Term)
- For County Judge: **JOHN S. HART** (Re-election)
- For Commissioner Prec. Two **B. M. BENNETT** (Re-election 2nd term)

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SOPHOMORES
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Clyde Files
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Robert Jones
Joe Mehaffey
Max Pierce
Tommy Rainey
Betty Rodgers
Ernestine Todd
Jack Wheeler
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Melba Brown
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Manning Fairbetter
Brawner Lee Files
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Neal Gilbert
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Wanda Hart
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Donnie Mauney
LaDoyt Maupin
Robert Rankin
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The Woman's Missionary Union meets with Mrs. George Blackwell on Friday evening at three o'clock.

A barrel-drum will be packed for the Rev. Winifred Harpers who with their children are soon to leave on their return trip to Nigeria to begin a second period of service in the mission field.

Members of the society on hearing that the Harpers would arrive in Nigeria several weeks before their salaries, decided to provide them with a supply of groceries.

The food must be canned meat or canned vegetables, not fruit as fruit can be purchased in Africa at a less than reasonable price.

Folks unable to be at Mrs. Blackwells Monday should feel free to send their gifts to the Blackwell home.

Mary Kay Cloninger
Charlotte Hilley
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Vera Craig
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Patsy Rodgers
Ruth Rodgers
Julia Skaggs
Robert Wallace
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ROSES - Fine selection of Roses standard and patented and other nursery stock. Womack's Nursery. (on Hwy. 6 near Rucker) De Leon, Texas. 11-26fnc

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STAR HATCHERY'S fine chicks will begin hatching Feb. 8th. Hatches each week following. Write for prices or come to see us before you buy chicks this spring. Star Hatchery, Baird, Texas. fnc

SALESMAN WANTED YOUR OWN BUSINESS - Raleigh Dealers can earn good profits. Start in Eastland or Comanche County. Exceptional opportunities for industrious man. For full particulars see C. S. Eldridge Desdemona, Texas or write Raleigh's, Dept. TXA-1024-179, Memphis, Tenn. 2-4 & 1

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FOR SALE - Two-bedroom house within walking distance of school or town. Modern steel kitchen cabinets; built in connection for automatic washer; hardwood flooring throughout. Charles W. Gibbs, P. O. Box 504, Glen Rose Texas. 2-18

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FOR SALE - Nice Business Location on Highway 80. 2 acres, Nice business building, living quarters, water, natural gas, good location for filling station. Inquire at the Bedsprad Shop, Olden, Texas.

WANTED - Don't throw your old religious books, magazines or Christmas Cards away. Bring them to me. I make scrapbooks and give them to shut-ins. Mrs. Oscar Howard.

FOR SALE - 1 Farmall 'C' Tractor, 1 6 ft. one-way plow, 1 7 ft. Tandem Disc. See Higginbotham Bros. and Co.

EXPERT BODY REPAIR at Reasonable prices. KING MOTOR CO. Phone 42 EASTLAND

NEW HOPE CHURCH

With 53 present for Sunday School at 10:00 a. m. Bro. Arlin Clement, superintendent, made a beautiful word picture of the lesson.

Our pastor brought a message at 11:00 a. m. that bore fruit. Mr. Bohannon came asking membership with the promise of a letter.

Evening services at 7:00 p. m. started with a good crowd. Several songs were enjoyed with everyone helping. Rev. Leroy Woolsey brought the message from St. John 10:10, "The thief cometh not but for to steal and to kill and to destroy. I am come that they might have life and that they might have it more abundantly." Salvation was his text.

We enjoy the visitors very much and strive to make them enjoy being with us.

The services were recorded and will be re-run for any shut-in if someone will contact the reporter, L. E. Capers.

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LaVenia Rodgers
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Betty Joe Belyeu
Kay Ramsey
Lugene Rodgers
Holly Kinser
Johnnie West
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Who pays the Fiddler?

Time waits for no man. When the day for a well-deserved rest and secure retirement rolls around... will you be able to call the tune and have the money to pay the fiddler? Look ahead. Set up a definite program of savings so that you can enjoy the fruits of your labor in years to come. Open a savings account now.



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"Oldest Bank In Eastland County"

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surprised expressions are caused by my slipping up to a vantage point, aiming the camera and then calling their names. These pictures show only a few of the processes it takes to publish the Progress every week.

Because some people are inclined to belittle the Progress, which hurts them worse than it does us, I am presenting a few facts and figures and you can be the judge as to whether the Progress rates prestige in this community.

First, we strive to publish only the good things that happen in this community — however, if it becomes necessary to take an editorial stand against something detrimental to the welfare of all, we feel it our duty to take that stand.

Second, our printing department has contributed approximately \$300 in printing to various organizations in this community the past year. We also strive to dig up a few pence for whatever the cause that is being promoted — there is no way of knowing the number of pounds of scratch pads we have given to the school children. We enjoy doing all of this — I say we, because the Progress Force is made up of home folks and they have a say in all that goes on.

The Progress has paid out approximately \$5,000.00 in salaries this past year, the majority of which was spent locally.

If you have patronized the advertisers in the Progress you have had a part in making this possible.

History of School

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school building with the auditorium, but there are a number of other buildings. In fact Gorman has one of the most complete plants in Texas in towns of comparable size.

Buildings include besides those previously mentioned, the shop, the bus garage, the Homemakers Cottage, the band hall, the school apartments, in addition to the football field with its bleachers and dressing rooms beneath.

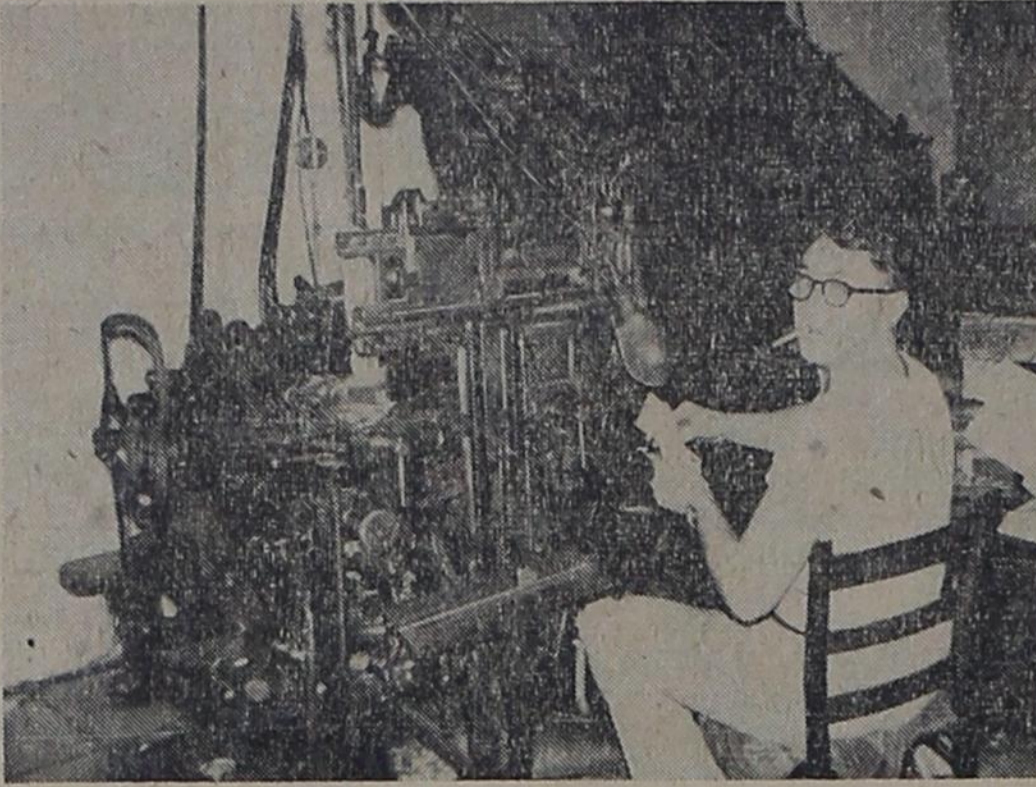
Where The Progress Starts



This is the Progress Office on Monday morning with Mrs. M. H. Fairbetter, editor, accepting the first news of the day from Lonnie Capers, publicity chairman for the New Hope Baptist Church. It's interested folk like Lonnie that keeps the Progress in the upper bracket of the best weeklies in its class in Texas.

Mrs. Fairbetter divides her time between keeping house for her two sons and husband, taking an active part in church and civic work and keeping readers posted as to what goes on. Recently she added a grandson to her pleasant activities.

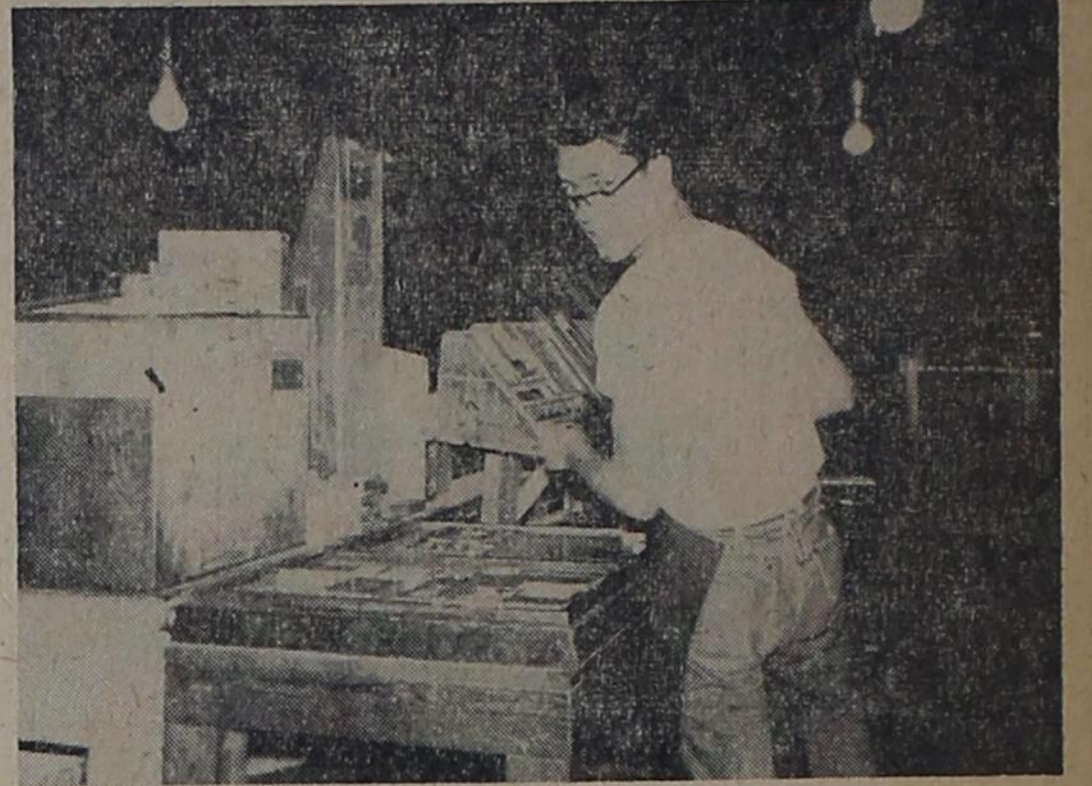
Where The Type Is Set



Joe Bennett, known as "Chief" by the force, was found under a pile of papers with his brother, Freddie Lee Bennett when Kernel Gene first took over the Progress. In fact, Freddie Lee, who is a pressman for Cornelius Printing Co. in Eastland, had to show Gene how to operate the newspaper folder. The Bennett brothers have played an important part in the success of your newspaper. Since that time both boys have served with Uncle Sam - returned home - married and settled down. Freddie has one son.

Joe has been in the newspaper business longer than Kernel Gene and has helped the Kernel over many a tight spot. Joe is quite capable of working anywhere in the shop or front office too if necessary. He takes a personal pride in putting the Progress together each week.

Progress Pages Are Put Together



Manning Fairbetter, high school senior, has been working at the Progress in his spare time. He has shown such an aptitude for this type of work that he is already capable of working in all departments including laying out ads and selling them. Unlike so many people of this day, Manning thinks more of a job well done than he does about what he will make per hour for doing the job. He is studying the linotype and Kluge as he goes along.

Day Is Done - The Progress Is Mailed



Maxine and Joe, with Manning in background, are checking a copy of the Progress. They are standing by the folding machine where the Progress has made its final run before being addressed and carried to the postoffice. Maxine, Joe's wife, assists him in the operation of Bennett's Dairy which Joe takes care of early in the

The Saw Room



Alex Phillips, versatile young man, employed by Higinbotham's passed through the Progress back shop one day. He got printers ink under his fingernails and since that time has been helping out after hours. I say versatile, because in a few short weeks he has learned to operate the presses make-up ads, and is now studying the Linotype and Automatic (Kluge) printing press. Alex and his wife, Judy, saw a good bit of the world with Uncle Sam during World War II. They think Gorman is a nice place to live and are content to raise their family of two daughters here. Both are active in church and community affairs.

Printing vs. Music



Chas. Nicholls, Band Director for the Gorman Schools, was formerly a printer and newspaper publisher in Illinois. He came by the Progress one day and said, "I get hungry every now and then to taste printer's ink." He was told to make himself at home.

The picture shows Nicholls transferring type from old cases to new. (This picture will be the envy of many a publisher if he sees it, because type cases are the biggest headache of most shops. Nicholls says he enjoys straightening them up. The Nicholls are living in Texas for the first time and never cease to marvel at the friendliness of the people and the wonderful climate. Mrs. Nicholls is noted for her delicious home-made bread.

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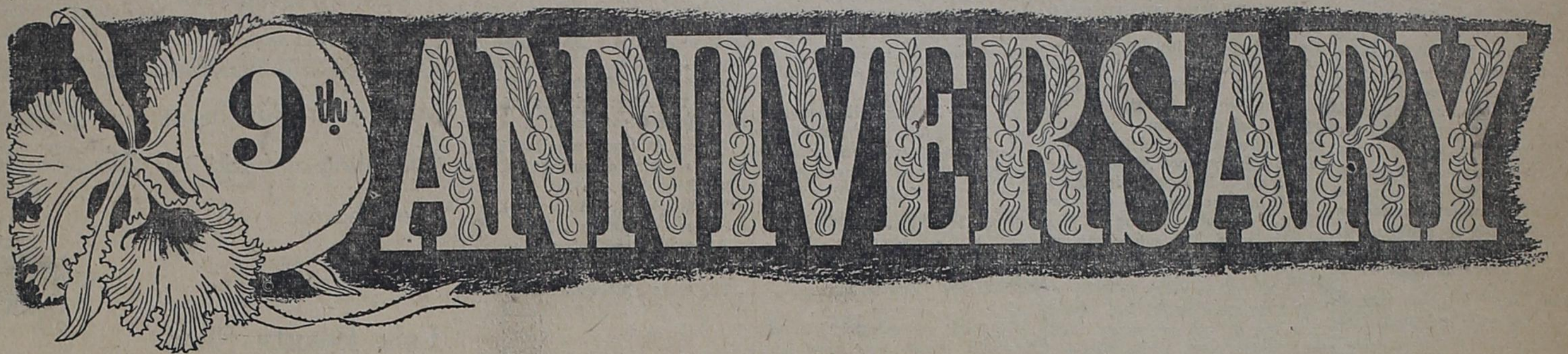
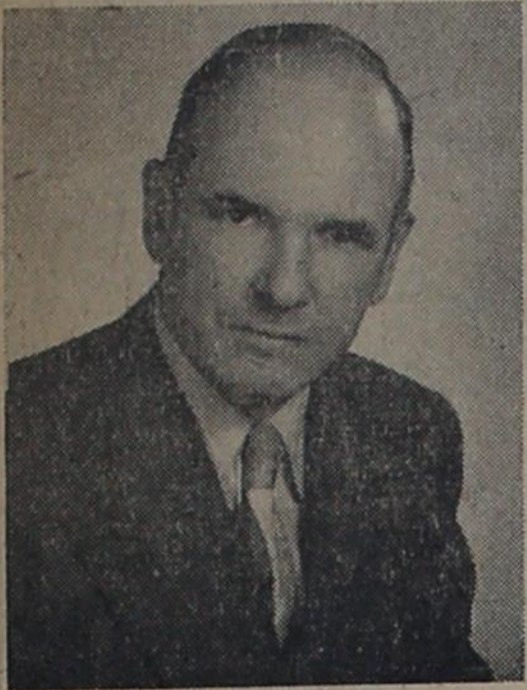
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February 15, 1945 - 1954



SPANISH PEANUT CONTEST

Monday, February 15, at the Gorman Progress

\$25 Grand Prize for most Original and Attractive entry using . . . SOUTHWEST SPANISH PEANUTS

Cash Prizes as follows:

You may enter one or all classes — all entries will be numbered.
Entries must be in Progress Office by 11 a. m., Monday February 15th, 1954
Judging will be held after 2 p. m.

SPANISH PEANUT CAKES
First Prize ---- \$15.00
Second Prize ---- \$10.00
Third Prize ---- \$ 5.00

SPANISH PEANUT COOKIES
First Prize ---- \$15.00
Second Prize ---- \$10.00
Third Prize ---- \$ 5.00

SPANISH PEANUT CANDY
First Prize ---- \$15.00
Second Prize ---- \$10.00
Third Prize ---- \$ 5.00

SPANISH PEANUT PIES
First Prize ---- \$15.00
Second Prize ---- \$10.00
Third Prize ---- \$ 5.00

Grand Prize will be awarded for the most original and attractive entry — this can be anything as long as it is made with Southwest Spanish Peanuts.

Any brand of peanut butter will be accepted in the other classes but if ground or whole peanuts are used they must be SW Spanish. March of Dimes.

After the judges have awarded the prizes - all entries with exception of the Grand Prize will be sold and the money contributed to the



The Grand Prize will become the property of the Gorman Progress to be used for advertising and promoting peanut sales.

THANKS TO MR. MELVIN SHELL of the GORMAN PEANUT COMPANY and S. E. CLONINGER for the \$100 which has enabled me to give the above cash prizes.

Kernel Gene, aPe

Large Rattler Too Much For The Major, Even Though It Was Dead; Now On Display At Horton Tire Co.

(By the Major, Himself)

Eastland Sunday Voice (Spl) — While we hate rattlesnakes like the Devil hates holy water there are times when one is forced to make the acquaintance of one of these old side-winders. This happened to us last week, and we are still trembling in our boots. Really we don't understand all we know about this business, for the weather is too cold for snakes to be out catching rabbits, yet the information we have seems more or less reasonable.

It was like this -- on one of our visits (ad peddling campaigns down at the Jim Horton Tire Store, our attention was called to a large rattler over in the showcase. Our first thought was to go out through the ceiling, but Jim and his confiding friends with the aid of tire tools and large screw drivers subdued us in short time.

Of course the snake was dead (so they said) but he still held his head erect. Three alligators couldn't have scared us more, and as we stood there on the floor we kept watching to see if the snake's mate didn't come sliding in to retrieve the body of her pal the killer.

As soon as we realized there was no escape for us we settled down and began asking questions and found that Jim and those confiding friends were in a mood to talk. As you read this item just remember we had many suggestions some of which will be found here. If you wish to believe them, we have no objection, but if you refuse we will not argue the matter. We suggest, however, that you go down there and see for yourself.

This particular Diamond Back Rattler, one of the longest we ever remember seeing, was almost 8 feet long. His body was built in proportion, and his mouth and head were about 4 inches wide. It would have been easy for this big baby to have swallowed a small pig, a grown jack rabbit or a small calf. According to this information bureau the reptile had been sleeping in a pile of old tires for many months, but because he was so docile no one had t he heart (or guts) to kill him. Fact is, he had

almost been adopted as a pet when his sudden demise came. He got so tame that on warm days he would come out in the sun and play with the boys. Would climb up their legs and fish bread out of their pockets until he became a nuisance. A year or so ago Jim says there were quite a few old alley cats in the neighborhood. Today there isn't a cat to be seen which leads one to believe that the old boy feasted on cats as long as the supply lasted. The same may be said with reference to rats and mice.

But he grew so fat and strong that Jim feared he would hurt one of the boys, while playing, so he drew a death sentence.

But how was he to die? There are probably 200 hundred guns down there but who wanted to get out in the open and fight a duel with this fellow. A single shot might have slightly wounded him and would have started him on a rampage of death and destruction.

So it was finally decided to kill him with a hypodermic. One of the boys with a forked stick held his head in a playful manner while the second inserted the needle into his heart, some ten inches behind his head. The hypo was loaded with formaldehyde, and one injection put Mr. Rattler out of business. Taxidermists have neatly cared for his body and head and he now rests in a large show case along with guns and ammunition.

Believe it or not.

5152 Poll Tax Payments Made In This County

Eastland county political candidates, if they undertake to visit all poll tax payers, will find themselves pretty busy this year, for no less than 5,152 poll tax receipts have been issued this year. Poll Tax payments were heavier this year than last which was an "off" year so far as electing officials is concerned, but not so heavy as in 1952 which was a Presidential election year.

OLIVER SPRINGS NEWS

Margaret Woodall, Reporter

Rev. Clement held regular services here Sunday and Sunday night. We were happy to have Yvonne Perry with us in the service. Rev. Clement and family ate Sunday dinner with the Homer Richardson's. After dinner they visited the D. L. Bonds. The church gave Mr. Bond a Sunshine Shower.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Atchison and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Atchison attended the revival meeting at Northside Baptist Church in De

Special Days And Weeks In The Shortest Month

February, our shortest month, it would seem has days and weeks to divide. Might be some could be shifted to August which has "nary a day to celebrate" according to the calendar.

This is Race Relations Week. The purpose is of course to encourage people of every race to make an effort to understand peoples of races other than their own.

Gaston Foote D. D., pastor of First Methodist Church Fort Worth, Texas says in his recently published book, LIVING IN FOUR DIMENSIONS. "If the common people of Russia and the common people (common meaning average citizen like you and I' of the United States could know and understand each other there would be no war.

Brotherhood Week will be observed February 21-28.

The Boy Scouts are presently observing their 44th Anniversary throughout the world.

National Defense Week will be observed February 12-22nd.

Ground Hog Day has passed practically unnoticed.

The date of Lincoln's birth, February 12th has, prior to the day itself, already had wide observance by politicians and writers.

Parties are scheduled for Valentine and young blades, reminded by enterprising merchants, are sending tokens to their lady loves.

Patriotic observances are in the making for the celebration of the anniversary of the birthday of the Father of our Country, George Washington.

Americans pay honor to the heritage of the past while anticipating a better heritage for posterity.

Leon on Friday night.

Guests for Sunday dinner in the Norman Woodall home were the Melvin Daniels, the F. E. Woodalls, W. J. Woodall of Amarillo, and Jack Abbe.

Velton and Sandra Setzler have moved to Eunice, New Mexico.

Visitors in the Melvin Daniels home last Sunday were his brother, Bernice, and Jettie Daniels of Houston, the A. D. Daniels of De Leon, his aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Swenden from Midland, and his sister, the Alvis Sciterns, of the New Hope Community.

Wayne Atchison, who has been in the scouting department of the Lone Star Gas Co. for the past year, has been transferred from Eastland to Athens, Texas. He and Mrs. Atchison left on Sunday, February 7th.

The 'Skin' Westmorelands visited with her family, the C. C. Setzlers, this week.

The C. C. Setzlers are honoring their sons, Wayne and Donald, with a supper Wednesday night. Wayne is coming home from the Army and Donald is going into the Army.

DR. RIPPEY TO SPEAK TO WOMEN AND MEN OF THE CISCO DISTRICT

Leo Rippey of Nashville, head of the Adult Division of the Methodist Church, will be in the Cisco District for one day, Monday, February 15th.

He will meet with adult groups for informal discussions regarding the study and work of the

adult classes as follows:

Cross Plains - 10 o'clock
De Leon - 2:30 o'clock
Cisco, Dinner - 6 o'clock
Eastland - 7:30 o'clock

Leo Rippey was born and reared on the plains of West Texas. He is a writer, a scholar, a speaker who mingles his unexcelled wit and humor with intense earnestness as he seeks to inspire

adults all over America in the sacred work of the church.

All adults are invited.

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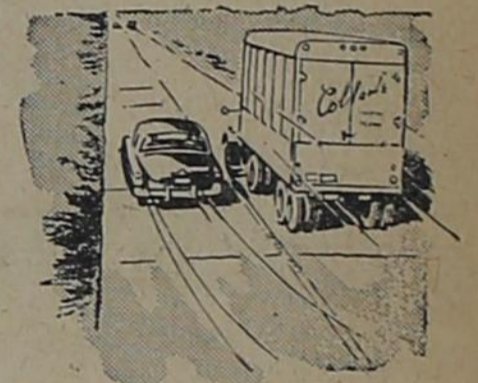
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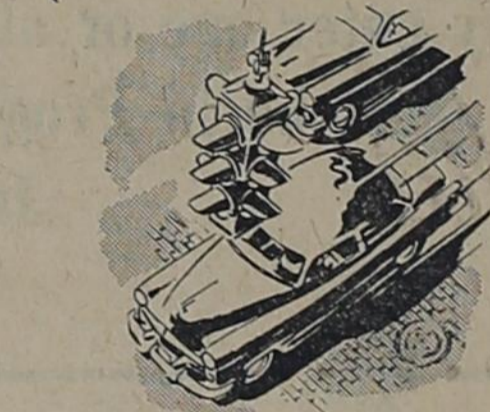
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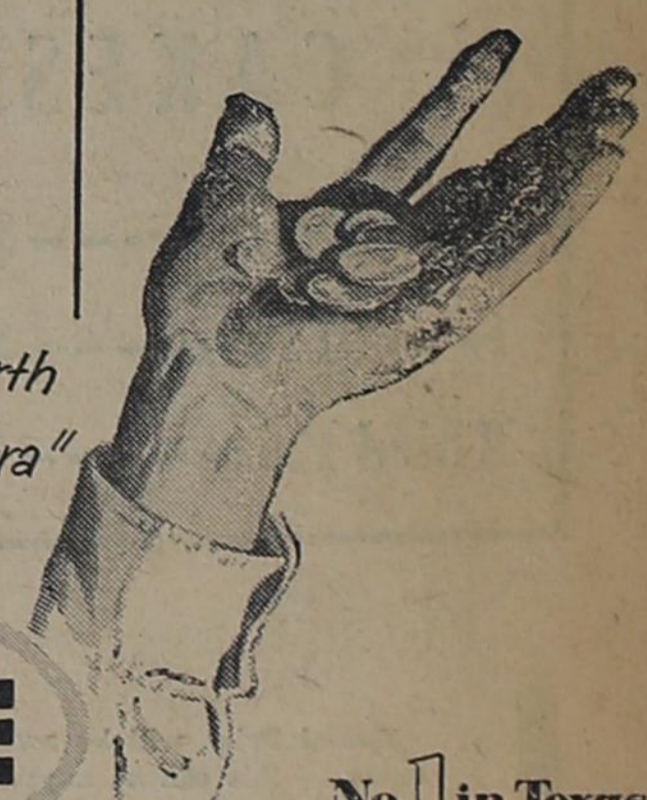


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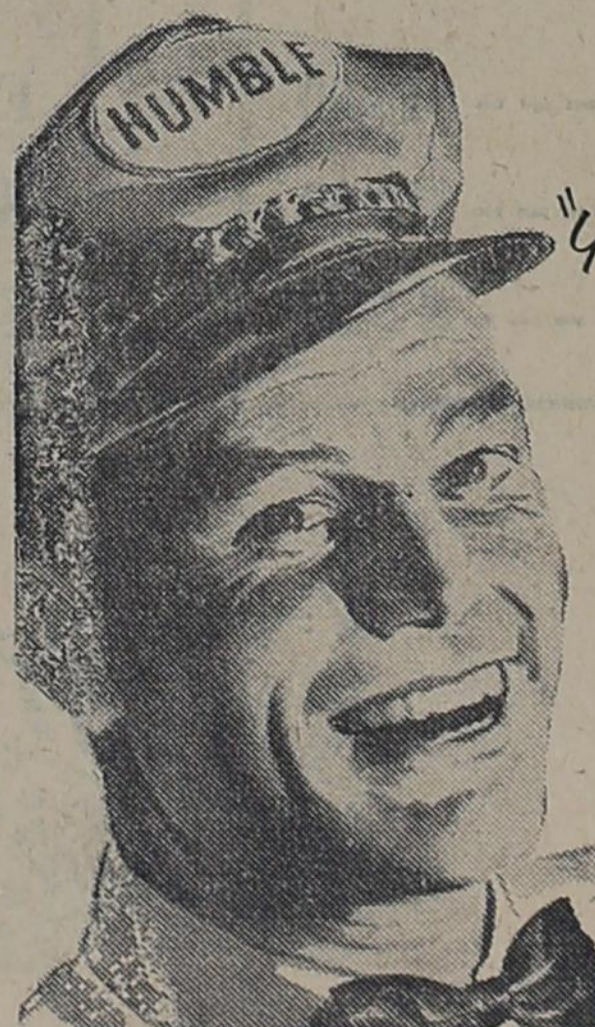
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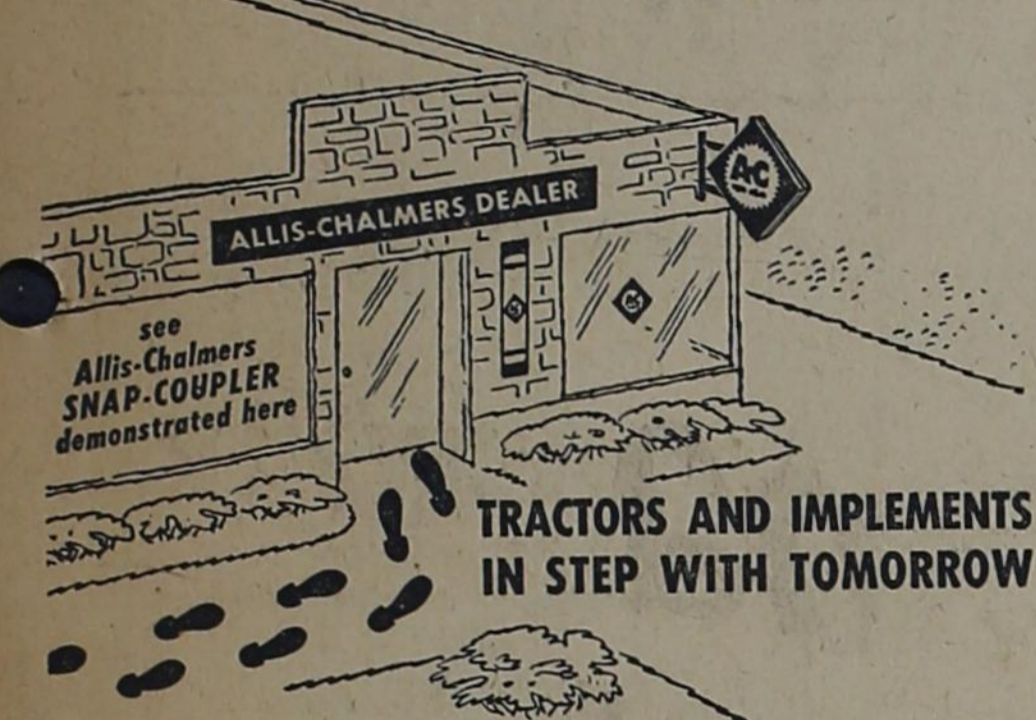
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DESDEMONA NEWS

Reporter, Mrs. Ethel Keith

This writer failed to report last week that the Clarence Raglands had all their children home several days ago, Bobbie Jack, who has been in service, was home for several days. But is now in Camp Chaffey for a discharge. Also present were Johnnie Dean and family, Durwood and family, and Elwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Quinn of Odessa are visiting in the Joe Quinn home and while here visited on Saturday in Temple with his mother, Mrs. Joe Quinn, who is a patient in a hospital in that city.

Mr. and Mrs. Daymon Eaton and son, Riley of Ballinger, visited Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Sarah Eaton, Mrs. Nina Lohman and Juanita.

Ethel Keith was in Dublin Saturday visiting her mother, Mrs. N. S. Partain.

Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Northcutt and little granddaughter, Gayle Randal of Rising Star, and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Richards and granddaughter visited in the Tom Northcutt home the past Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Arnold and Mr. and Mrs. Ott Ragland attended the Fat Stock Show Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Williams and Brenda Roberts attended the stock show on Sunday. Attending at other times were the Hardy Tidwells, the Bill Greenhaws, Mr. and Mrs. Ford Reid, and Mr. and Mrs. Dude Koonce.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Moore of Fort Worth were Sunday visitors with his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Moore, and sister, Lizzie Moore.

CALENDAR OF SERVICES FOR CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday —
9:00 - Radio program, KERC, Eastland. Sermon - "Why doesn't the Church of Christ Practice Infant Baptism?"
10:00 - Bible Study for all ages.
10:50 - Morning Worship. Sermon - "The Gospel."
6:00 p. m. - Classes for Young People.
7:00 p. m. - Evening Worship. Sermon - "Jesus Washes his Disciples Feet."
Monday —
2:00 - Bible Class for Ladies
7:30 - Bible Class for Men
Wednesday —
7:30 - Mid-Week Services

News From The Desdemona School

Desdemona Basketball Teams met the Carbon Teams in conference play on Monday, February 1. The boys were defeated but the Girls turned in an easy 43-30 win with Janet Rodgers leading with 28 points. Floyd Red wine was high point man with 11 points.

Students are making up the days lost on account of bad weather by attending school on Saturdays. School was held Saturday February 6th.

Junior Jacobs of John Tarleton College attended Geometry Class at the High School Saturday, February 6th.

Harold Lewis was out of school Friday and Saturday due to illness.

A Sinclair film was shown in the Desdemona Gym February 2. Pat Thomas, Consignee for the district was responsible for bringing the show and giving prizes. Mrs. Davis and the Homemaking Department served cookies and lemonade.

Mrs. Christie was absent from school Tuesday, February 2 due to illness.

Betty Forest Logan was a visitor in the Senior class last week. Betty was formerly a member of the class.

We have a new senior this semester. Dorinda Logan has returned to Desdemona after an absence of three years. We are happy to have her return to graduate with us in May.

Thursday, February 4 students accompanied by Mr. Murray and Mr. Jordan attended the Fat Stock Show and Rodeo in Fort Worth.

After another victory Friday, February 5th, over Scranton, the Girls now have a 6-2 standing in conference play.

"Lover Boy" has stars in his eyes again lately. It wouldn't be because of a good looking brunette who is pivot forward in the ball team, would it?

A cordial welcome awaits you at the Church of Christ.
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Basketball's court magicians, the Harlem Globetrotters, will appear at North Texas State College February 23rd.

Abe Saperstein's celebrated Negro cagers will headline a show that includes two basketball games and an array of specialty acts - trampolinists, jugglers, tumblers and table tennis duos.

The first game will begin at 8 p. m. in the NTSC Men's Gymnasium.

The Globetrotters are now in their 27th successive season. They started the current tour with a 26-year record of 4,500 victories

against 267 defeats. Last season they registered 267 wins and lost seven games.

The Trotters then took off on another annual tour of Europe, during which they won 81 consecutive games, played in 14 countries, and traveled 35,000 miles.

Traveling with the group are the Washington Generals, the Chicago Brown Bombers, and the Philadelphia Sphas.

Two of the biggest attractions on the Globetrotters squad are Reese (Goose) Tatum and Walter Dukes. Tatum, the clown prince of basketball with the 84-inch arm span, is in his eleventh season with the team. Dukes, a seven foot Seton Hall All-American, joined the squad this season as the world's highest paid professional basketball player.

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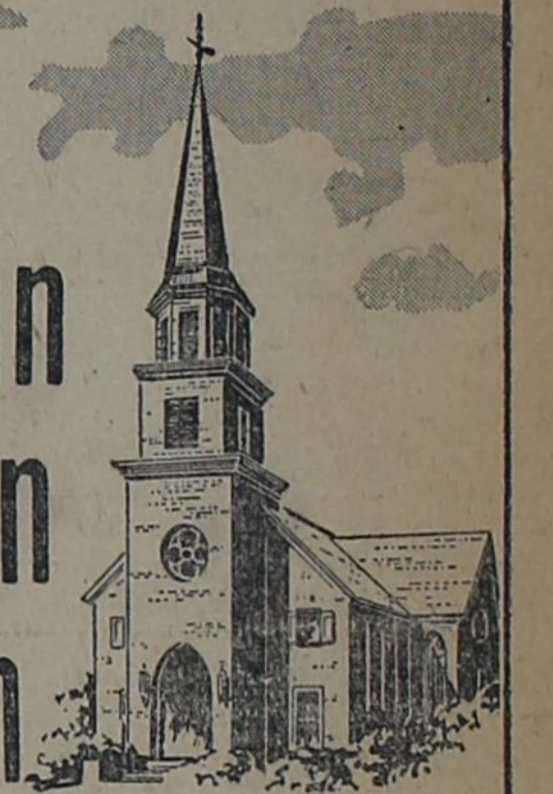
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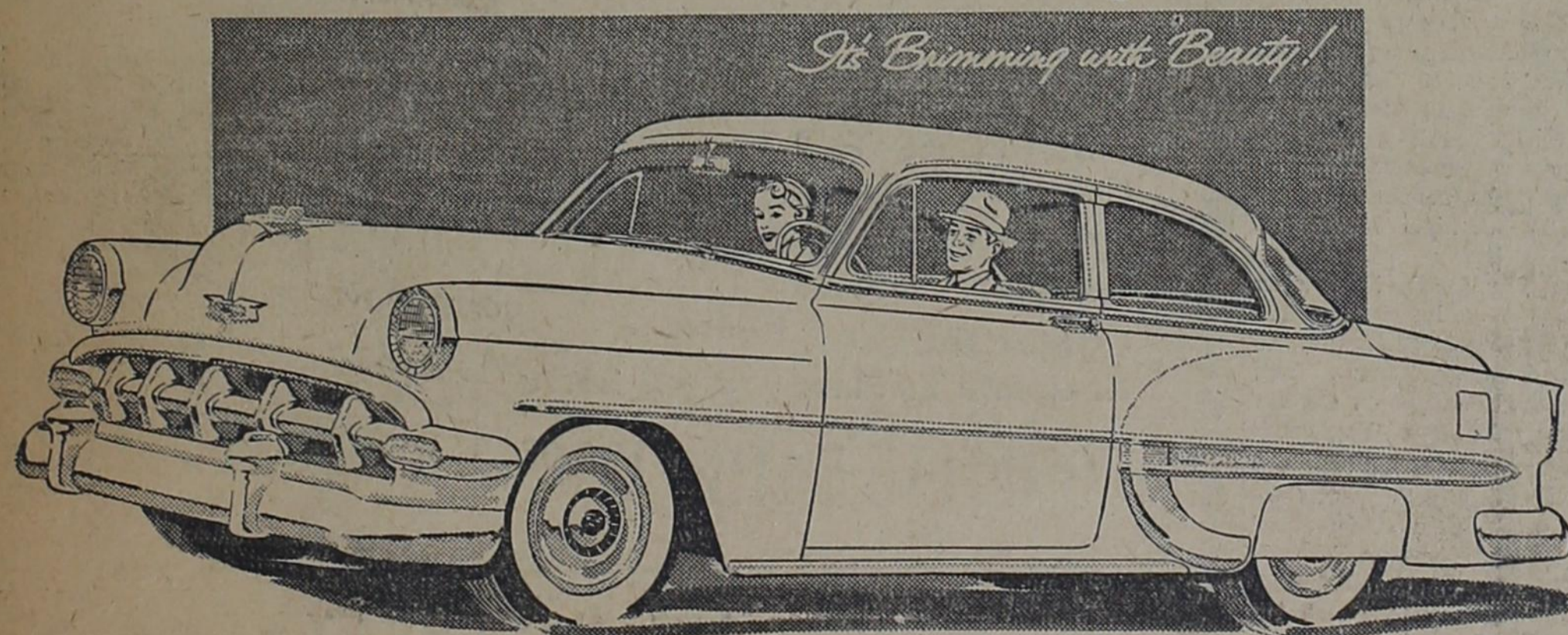
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WASHINGTON, D. C. — This session of Congress will produce many heated discussions of and arguments about the Fifth and Sixth Amendments of the Constitution of the United States. These two amendments are integrated parts of the Bill of Rights. It would be well for all Americans to acquaint themselves fully with these two amendments, if you have not already done so. The Fifth Amendment contains the provisions behind which many witnesses before Congressional in-

vestigating committees have hidden themselves for a number of years. The Sixth Amendment contains the provision affording an accused the right to be confronted with the witnesses against him. The spotlight was placed on this particular amendment in the speech made by President Eisenhower before the B'nai B'rith Anti-Defamation League at the Mayflower Hotel recently. The Washington Post quoted him in an editorial as follows: "In this country if someone dislikes you or accuses you, he must come up in front, he cannot hide behind the shadow, he cannot assassinate you or your character from behind, without suffering the penalties and outraged citizenry will impose."

You may not have a copy of the Constitution handy, so I am going to quote these two amendments as they appear in the Constitution:

AMENDMENT V
"No person shall be held to answer for a capital, or otherwise infamous crime, unless on a presentment or indictment of a Grand Jury, except in cases arising in the land or naval forces or in the Militia, when in actual service in time of War or public danger; nor shall any person be subject for the same offense to be twice put in jeopardy of life or limb, nor shall be compelled in any criminal case to be a witness against himself, nor be deprived of life, liberty, or property, without just compensation."

AMENDMENT VI
"In all criminal prosecutions the accused shall enjoy the right of a speedy and public trial, by an impartial jury of the State and district wherein the crime shall have been committed, which district shall have been previously ascertained by law, and to be informed of the nature and cause

of the accusation; to be confronted with the witnesses against him; to have compulsory process for obtaining witnesses in his favor, and to have the Assistance of Counsel for his defense."
The language, "to be confronted with the witnesses against him," was not original. Actually, it was a right enjoyed under the English common law. Its inclusion in the Constitution was to preserve that right, but not to broaden it. This right, however, did not prevail in many other jurisdictions. Probably the most famous of the historical cases involving the violation of that right was the trial of Joan of Arc in France. In a recent history of that trial, it was pointed out that not a single witness appeared in person before the court against Joan of Arc. All the evidence was produced in the form of affidavits, and these were always written in third person, the object being to conceal completely from the accused both the name and the identity of the witness.

The whole controversy, of course, will center around the Communist menace. Their tactics have been to employ our Constitution and our laws to protect themselves while they work diligently at the task of trying to overthrow that Constitution and those laws. It will primarily concern employees of the federal government and perhaps many State and local governments in this country, as well as employees of manufacturing concerns engaged in defense work. No matter who a man is or where he comes from, he should not have even the color of right of privilege to work for any of the branches of our government, national, State or local, nor for any industry engaged in defense work or work incidental thereto, unless he or she is completely and devotedly dedicated to our form of government, our way of life, and the basic principles on which they were founded, with no ifs, ands, or buts.

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Keeping Up With Our Friends - -

Mrs. Dixie Stevens spent last week visiting in Cisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Russell and Stephen Lynn of Denton visited with their parents during the week end.

Marjorie Warren of Fort Worth visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leland Warren and George.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Jordan of Levelland visited Mr. and Mrs. Ben Burdette last week. They were enroute to Houston. Mr. Jordan is a cousin to Mr. Burdette.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wyatt have just finished veneering their home on Route 1 with Austin Stone. It is a very pretty sight from the road and something that the Wyatts have looked forward to for a number of years.

Mrs. Wyatt has been ill since suffering a heart attack several weeks ago. She continues to be confined to her home but is improving.

Visiting the O. D. Bibbys on Sunday last were his nephew, Mr. Guilford Eppler of St. Louis, Mo and Pine Bluff, Arkansas, and Mrs. Eppler. The Eppers are kin of the local family of Eppers.

Mrs. Jimmy Dean has returned to her home in Big Springs. Cassandra and Bebbie have remained with their grandmother, Mrs. J. Frank Dean, for an extended visit. Mrs. Jimmy Dean has a back injury resulting from the recent accident in which her husband's car featured some three weeks ago.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Hagood visited in Comanche with their son, L. T. Hagood, and family on Sunday. L. T. has recovered from an operation and the young grandson, Kenneth, is taking a prescribed rest to allay an attack of rheumatic fever.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Glasson had three of their boys from Lamesa to spend the week end with them this week.

Loyd Glasson and Loyd Wayne of Desdemona, also visited the Glassons.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Glasson of Coleman were visiting with them this week.

A group of young folks held a musical in the J. L. Glasson home on Monday night.

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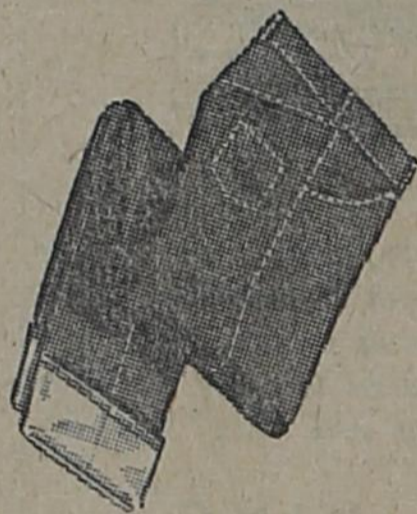
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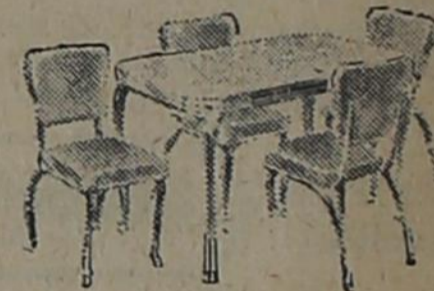
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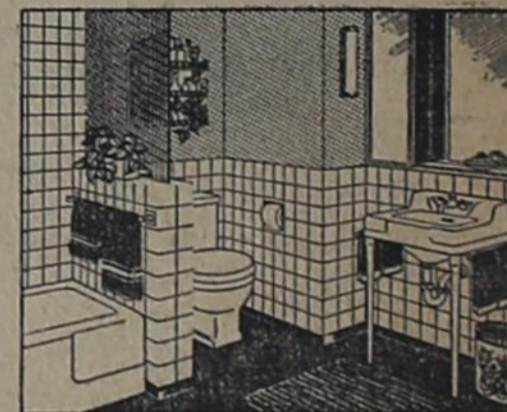
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