



By Kernel Gene, aPe

Being raised "in this neck of the woods" so to speak, makes A. R. "Preach" Horton, new manager for Higginbotham's, a good fellow to start with. After talking with him a few minutes you are further impressed with his desire to be friendly and a citizen of the community.

Welcome Mr. and Mrs. Horton and Cheryl, we are looking forward to your arrival in Gorman. Businessmen in Gorman are still playing checkers -- Barton Eppler has sold his building to Brown and is renting the Cafe building for his furniture store -- I understand new bids are in the process of being made for a postoffice for Gorman. Mr. Ross became ill shortly after being awarded the postoffice bid at first and was unable to fulfill his contract. Mr. Ross continues to remain in critical condition in a Brownwood hospital -- Two other business deals are in the making but I was asked to withhold publication until something more definite took place.

Arthur Ray Yarbrough stopped by the Progress office Monday evening. He was in town to attend the funeral of his uncle, Mr. Dunlap. Mr. and Mrs. Yarbrough are now living in Dublin where he is working for a feed company. He likes his work and says that Dublin is a good town to live in. It is good to know that our young men are getting along when they move to other towns, and we wish for Arthur Ray continued success in his work.

O. R. Buchanan has returned to Higginbotham's as Funeral Director. Understand that Mr. Buchanan has been farming for the past few years. More about him next week.

Charlie Underwood has resigned as manager of the Hardware Department at Higginbotham's to devote full time to his fruit orchard and other farming interests.

The Progress will carry a full story on Buchanan and Underwood next week.

George Rodgers is home on leave from the service.

## PROGRAM PUBLIC SCHOOL WEEK

TUESDAY, MARCH 6 --  
Open House - 6:45 P. M.  
Program (auditorium) 7:30 P. M. -- Civics Class  
Band Concert -- 8:00 P. M.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7 --  
Visitation -- Grades 1 - 2 and 3

THURSDAY, MARCH 8 --  
Visitation -- Grades 4 - 5 - 6 - 7 and 8

FRIDAY, MARCH 9 --  
Visitation -- High School

NOTE TO PARENTS: Effective, Thursday, March 1st, school lunches will be 25c in grades 1, 2, 3, and 4 and 30c for all grades above the fourth grade.

## Band Concert Set For Tuesday, 6th

Gallantry (March)  
Cathedral Echoes  
Talent Scout -- Saxophone Solo by Janey Thompson  
Rosary (Selection)  
South Ragtime Jazz  
Sunset (Soliloquy)  
You'll Never Walk Alone - Johnny Rodgers and Fred Gray  
Teenage Prayer - by Barbara Maupin  
Stout-Hearted Men  
School Song

Admission prices will be 25 and 50 cents. Proceeds will go to buy uniform lights for the band trip to the San Antonio band meet.

## Church News

Sermon subject at the Church of Christ Sunday morning will be: "How Shall the Young Secure Their Hearts."

You are invited to all services of the Congregational Methodist Church. Sunday School, 10 a. m., Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Prayer Meeting Tuesday night at 7:30. M. F. Dennis, Pastor

Communion Services will be held at the First Methodist Church Sunday morning.

Neill Sutton was home last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Nick Eaker will be here until the first of August. They are residing in the Jobe Apartment. He will work at the Eaker Texaco Station until entering school in September.

Mrs. Millie Slaton visited several days with her sister, Mrs. E. C. Sutton.

Mrs. Ed Sutton is in Stephenville for a few days with Mrs. Clyde King.

Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Parker and David of Lubbock were here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Parker during the week end. Mickey is attending Texas Tech.

## Thank You Volunteer Firemen

I want to say how much I appreciate the promptness of our Volunteer Firemen when they are called upon. Their speed in putting out even small grass fires has probably saved the people of Gorman thousands of dollars, not counting the larger fires that have been kept under control. While most of us are slow in expressing our thoughts we know that you Firemen sacrifice a lot and are inconvenienced many times.

Thanks a lot and I think you are a fine bunch of boys.

Mrs. Mae Dunn

## Frank Kirk Is Wed To Elizabeth Hood

Mr. Frank Kirk and Miss Elizabeth Hood were married on Saturday, February 11, 1956 in the pastor's home of the Methodist Church in Gorman.

Herman Bennett and Mildred Kirk, sister to the groom, attended the couple.

Mr. and Mrs. Kirk are making their home in Ft Worth where he is employed at the Mills Mfg. Co.

Frank is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Holland Kirk of Gorman.

## CARD OF THANKS

Sincere thanks for all the wonderful attention I received from my friends, the doctors and nurses while I was in the hospital.

Love, Bobo Hunt

## Illness In Gorman

Patients listed at Blackwell Hospital on Wednesday were Mrs. Emory Hill of Gorman, Mrs. C. C. Parker of Sweetwater, Mrs. A. L. McDonald of Gustine, Mrs. D. W. Cook of Spur, Autry Hood of Gorman, Mrs. J. H. Vance of De Leon, and Mrs. Bill Taylor of Breckenridge.

The wife has lost a beloved husband. The community has lost a friend. But to sight only, for Lawrence has gained a victory over health and the grave.

He is survived by his wife Mrs. Daisy Dunlap, Denver City, Texas; his mother, Mrs. M. L. Dunlap, Georgetown, Texas; five sisters, Mrs. Jim Deshman, Desdemona, Texas; Miss Ruby Lee Dunlap, Dallas, Texas; Mrs. Ethel Dismuke, Houston, Texas; Mrs. Lucille Holder, Houston; and Mrs. Lena Fulton, Georgetown, Texas, four brothers, Joe of New York City, Jim of Houston, John of Crescent and Thomas of Georgetown.

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## Area Track Meet Here March 10

### In Memory Of Lawrence Dunlap

Lawrence Anderson Dunlap was born September 6, 1904 near Waco, Texas. He passed away in the Yoakum County Hospital at Denver City, Texas, Saturday morning, February 25, 1956 from a heart attack suffered the evening before. He was stricken while on the job and was thought not to be serious, but apparently died in his sleep early Saturday morning. Mr. Dunlap was employed by Shell Oil Company and has 21 years and 6 months service accredited to him. He was married to Miss Daisy Yarbrough of Gorman, May 2, 1931 in Mariette, Oklahoma, and they moved to West Texas to find employment at which most of that time has been spent with Shell. He was active in civic affairs of the community, being a mason, and a member of the First Baptist Church at Denver City. Funeral Services were held in the First Baptist Church at Denver City on Monday the 27th at 3 p. m. with Rev. F. C. Bradley Jr. officiating, assisted by the Rev. W. H. Burkett of Seagraves, former pastor of Mr. Dunlaps. Chapel services were held here because his aged mother was unable to attend at Denver City. The Reverend Pennington in charge. Rev. Paul Watson of Howard Payne College also former pastor of Mr. Dunlap, gave a brief talk on the goodness of Mr. Dunlaps life and of the encouragement he had given him as a young preacher.

Interment was in the Gorman cemetery under the direction of the local Masonic lodge.

He was brought overland by the Davis Memorial Service of Seminole, Texas.

Mr. Dunlap's life was an example of Christian living. He rubbed shoulders with all men in a common cause, to influence good, and to give help when needed. He lived a life of complete service to others, never forgetting that to love was to serve, and men in all walks of life were influenced by what he was and what he stood for. And the men with whom he worked, from personell to porter, wept with shame in that they had lost a friend, and no more perfect tribute could have been said than that which was spoken by his pastor. He bridled his tongue.

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## CARD OF THANKS

Words will never be adequate enough to express the feeling in my heart at this time towards the people of Gorman who have made my burden lighter by opening their home to the relatives and bringing food to the home of Rex Yarbrough. Every physical need was taken care of and I want to thank Bro. Pennington for his part in the service and the Masonic Lodge for their perfect tribute and thanks to the men who sang and to everyone who had a part.

May God bless you and keep you and cause his face to shine upon you and when you go through the valley of sorrow may you find sweet comfort and help as I found in arriving here.

Mrs. L. A. Dunlap

is ground from the cake remaining after oil is extracted, make excellent livestock feed. Peanut meal, rich in protein, produces tissue growth in animals and supplies cattle with nutrients on which good milk depends.

### Higginbotham's New Manager From Comanche

Tom Beene, auditor for Higginbotham, brought Mr. A. R. (Preach) Horton to the Progress office Wednesday and introduced him as the new manager for the Higginbotham's store in Gorman.

Mr. Horton has been with Higginbotham's nine years, one of which he worked in the De Leon store. During this nine years he has had the opportunity to work in nearly all departments of Higginbotham's.

Mr. Horton was reared and attended school in Beatty. He married Miss Jo Curry of Comanche County. The couple have one daughter, Cheryl, age 6, who will start to school this fall. They are members of Methodist Church.

Like most ex-service men, Preach did not mention his military career, but Mr. Beene said that he had received the Silver Star, Bronze Star, and a Unit Citation for action in the European Theater.

Preach did say, and emphasized the point, that he was a member of the Reserve and trained at Brownwood.

"Having seen action I realize the importance of being prepared. If any of the men or boys around Gorman are interested I will be glad to have them go with me when I attend the Reserve meetings at Brownwood."

When asked how he got the nickname, Preach, Mr. Horton said, "When I was about five or six months old I had pneumonia and cried a lot. A neighbor who visited us said that I had such strong lungs I was destined to be a preacher and he started calling me "Preach". From that time on everyone has called me by my nickname."

Preach never did say what the A. R. stood for.

Mrs. Horton is employed as a bookkeeper in Comanche and until the company can replace her the couple will continue to live in Comanche. Preach said he hopes to get settled down within a few weeks at the latest.

## Announcements

The sensational basketball games scheduled for tonight (1st) were postponed until Thursday night, March 8th to take part in the Public School Week program. The Senior Boys will play the Faculty men) and the Senior Girls will play Gorman's Glamorous Gals. Seniors will use proceeds on their trip. Games start at 7 p. m.

The Friendly Ladies Class of the Methodist Church are sponsoring Mrs. M. H. Fairbatter in a book review on March 29th at 7:30 p. m. at the Fire Hall. Mrs. Fairbatter will review, "All Women of the Bible" by Edith Deen.

Band Boosters will meet at the High School Auditorium at 7 p. m., March 9th.

Rev. Dennis states there will be Singing at the Congregational Methodist Church (former Church of God building on Desdemona Highway) March 17th. Singers from other counties have accepted invitations to take part.

The McMurry College Band will give a concert at the High School Auditorium, March 23 at 8 p. m.

Stated meeting of the Gorman Chapter No. 443, Order of Eastern Star will be held at 7:30 p. m., March 5th.

Nora Bennett, W. M. Theresaa Baker, Secretary

The Dorcas Class meets Friday, March 2 for a covered dish luncheon at Mrs. G. D. Rileys. Also for a business meeting. All members try to be present.

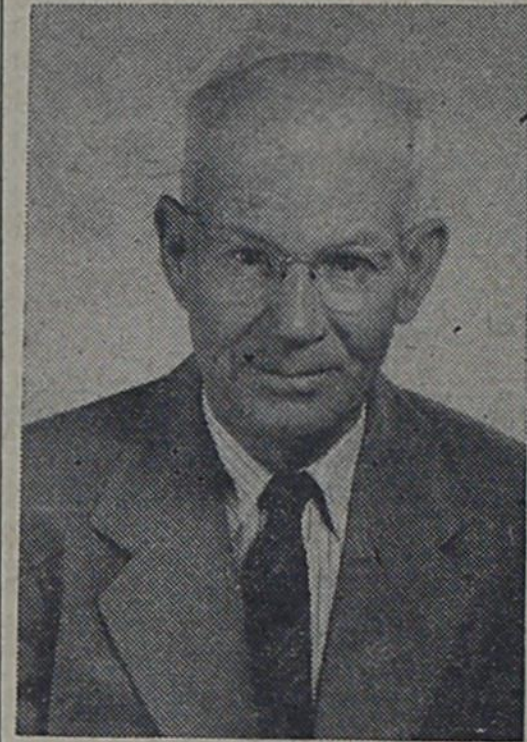
FRIDAY, March 2 -- Texas Independence Day - The

### Top County Winner State Pecan Show

Eastland County pecan growers again won their share of honors with their nuts at the State Pecan Show held at A&M College recently according to word at the County Agents office.

The growers received 24 places out of a possibly 51 to top nearly 50 percent of the entire show.

The winning nuts at the county show at Cisco last December were entered in the state show. This has been the practice for the past few years it was said.



B. B. Freeman, pecan grower and nurseryman, Route 1, Ranger, was the leading winner of the Eastland County delegation with eight ribbon ribbons to add to his collection. He won first on both his Burketts and Western Schley entries. He got second on his Mahan, San Saba Improved and second on the heaviest pecans in the show, which incidentally was the Mahan entry which weighed out 29.9 nuts to the pound. He also won second on his Stuarts and the Success-Burkett cross and third on the nuts with the best kernel.

Ellis Cooper, Ranger got second place with his entry of Western Schley nuts.

Doss Alexander, Pioneer, won first on his Halbert and third on his Western Schley.

The Carbon winner was Mrs. A. C. Underwood with first on her Onliwon and second on her Halbert pecans.

All three places for the heaviest seedlings were from the county with B. M. Bennett, Gorman, first; H. Capers, Gorman, second, and N. B. Eaves, Carbon, third. Eaves also won third on the seedling nuts with the highest percent kernel.

Wayne Thurman, Cisco, got second on his nuts with the highest percent kernel, second on his entry with the best kernel, third on his Eastern Schley and third on the San Saba Improved variety.

First National Bank will not be open for business.

IOOF Lodge No. 413 holds stated meeting.

Quarterback Club meets, 6:30 p. m. at Hotel Coffee Shop.

MONDAY, March 5 --

The WSCS will meet at the home of Mrs. Wm. Brogdon at 3 p. m.

The Official Board of the Methodist Church will meet at 7 p. m. Baptist Church Circle No. 1 meets at 2 p. m.

Volunteer Firemen meet at the Fire Hall.

Public School Weeks starts today.

TUESDAY, March 6 --

Rebekah Lodge holds regular meeting. Ladies Bible Class, 2 p. m., at Church of Christ.

Prayer Meeting at Congregational Methodist Church, 7 p. m. Forty-Two Club meets.

WEDNESDAY, March 14 --

Circle No. 2, Baptist Church meets at 9:30 a. m. RA, GA, and Sunbeams meet at 6:15 at Baptist Educational Building.

THURSDAY, March 15 --

Progressive Study Club American Legion Boy Scouts

The first big track meet of the season for this area of the state will be held at Brogdon Field, Saturday, March 10, when the Third Annual Indian Trail Invitational Track Meet is unrolled. Twenty-seven high schools and four junior colleges have accepted invitations, and the meet promises to be one of close competition. In fact, the meet will almost be a preview of two district meets, our own District 7-A and District 7-AA, which includes Comanche, Brady, Winters, Coleman, Ballinger, and Lake View of San Angelo. All of the members of the district except Lake View will be entered.

Of our own district, Eastland, Rising Star, Cross Plains, and Gorman will be entered. Ranger is not having a track team this season, and Wylie is expected to be weak in track, so the teams of our district entered in this meet are the strong ones.

Of District 8-AA, De Leon, Stephenville, and Cisco are entered. That leaves Breckenridge, Graham, and Mineral Wells of that district which are not entered.

There are 11 Class AA high schools entered, which are: Hamilton, Coleman, Winters, Brady, Comanche, De Leon, Ballinger, Anson, Stephenville, Cisco, and Diamond Hill of Ft Worth.

Twelve Class A schools are entered. They are Albany, Goldthwaite, Hamlin, Bangs, Glen Rose, Eastland, Rising Star, Cross Plains, Alvarado, Granbury, Clifton, and Gorman.

Of Class B, there are four schools. They are Early High, Richland Springs, Hico, and Leuders.

Four Junior Colleges are competing. They are Tarleton, Howard County (Big Spring), Cisco, and Ranger. The junior colleges will compete in a separate division from the high schools, but they will have the same track and field events, as the high schools.

All of the high schools will compete in the same division, regardless of class. In other words, there will be a High School Division and a Junior College Division.

Guy Parker, Eastland, with his seedling entry got second on the best seedlings.

Martha Wende, Cisco, got first place on the nuts with the best kernels with her Eastern Schley entry.

Pecan growers at their annual spring field day will determine where the county show will be held in December it was reported. The county show for the past three years has been held in Cisco in December.

## KING THEATRE

Thursday & Friday  
Victor Mature - Susan Ball  
in  
CHIEF CRAZY HORSE  
Also  
Color Cartoon  
Saturday  
Roy Rodgers  
in  
SONS OF THE PIONEERS  
and  
Judy Canova  
in  
CAROLINA CANNONBALL  
Also  
Color Cartoon  
Sunday & Monday  
Yvonne De Carlo - Howard Duff  
in  
FLAME OF THE ISLANDS  
Also  
Color Cartoon  
Tuesday & Wednesday  
FAMILY NIGHT  
Dick Bogarde - Muriel Pavlow  
in  
DOCTOR IN THE HOUSE  
Also  
BASKETBALL HEADLINERS  
Thursday & Friday  
Aldo Ray - Phil Carey  
in  
THREE STRIPES IN THE SUN  
Also  
Color Cartoon

## National Peanut Week - March 4-10

Excelsior Club Votes To Purchase Books For School Library

The Excelsior Club met in the home of Mrs. N. C. Crawley on Tuesday, February 28. During the business session the club voted to purchase \$150 worth of books for the School Library.

Mrs. F. R. Haile's topic for the evening was "Playgrounds and Parks". She gave some very interesting points on Big Bend National Park as well as others in Texas.

Mrs. Gene Baker's subject was "Today's Children".

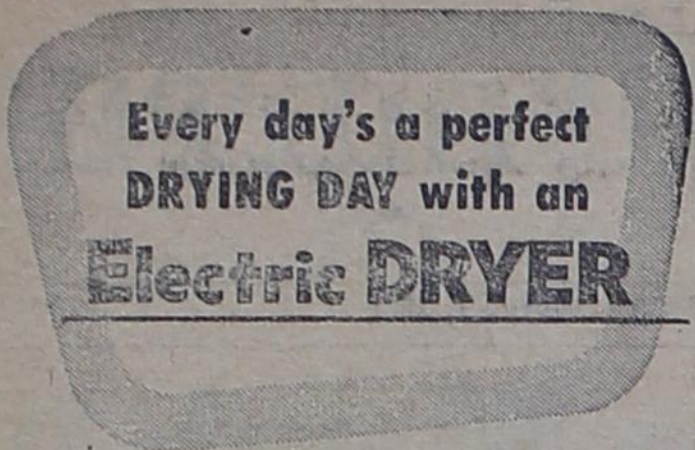
After the meeting adjourned refreshments were served to the following: Meses. F. R. Haile, D. J. Jobe, Vera Hamrick, Gene Baker, Dona Moorman, M. F. Allen, Dahlia Steele, L. A. Blair, Edna Nunnally, J. E. Foster, T. G. Jackson, M. H. Fairbatter, Fanny Burkett and the hostess Mrs. Crawley.

## CARD OF THANKS

Thanks to all of you who were so thoughtful during my stay in the hospital. Your visits and other expressions of friendship were appreciated by my family as well as myself.

Rayford Burgess

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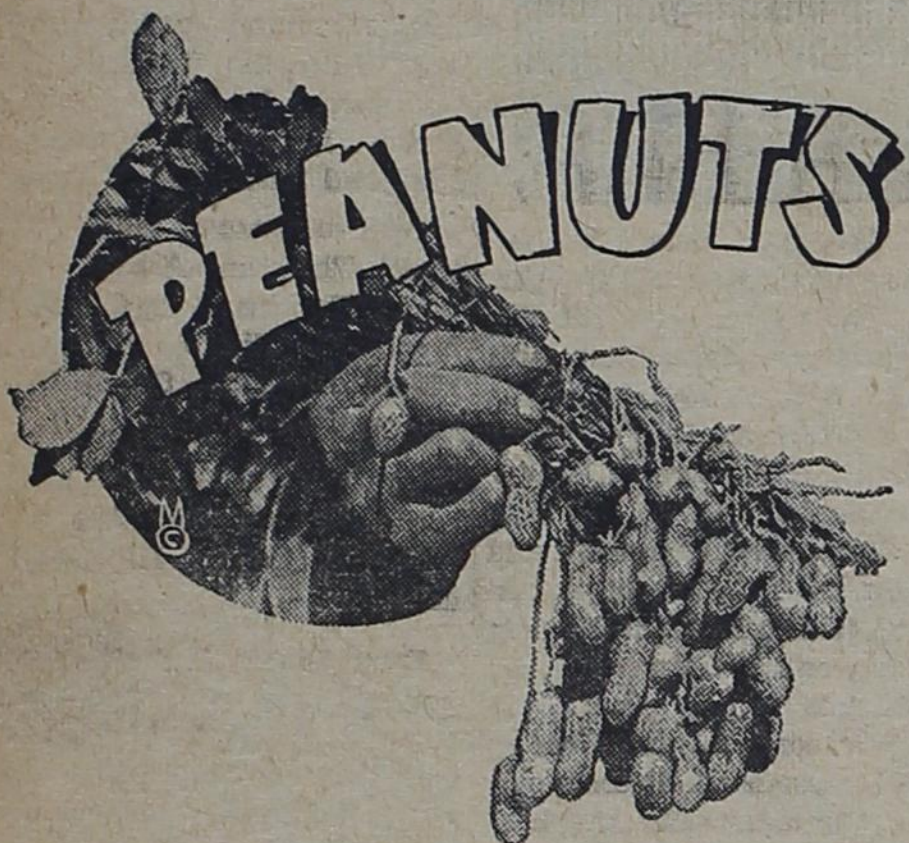


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**Watch Those Kites**  
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Texas Electric Service Company today appealed to parents to caution their children about flying kites near electric wires.

"The windy season brings kite flying time and this traditional sport is one that is lots of fun for the children if it is done safely," L. D. Stewart, Texas Electric Service Company Manager, pointed out. "Many youngsters don't realize the dangers in this innocent pastime if certain safety rules are not observed, the most important of which is to never fly kites where there is the possibility of them getting tangled in electric power lines."

Other dangerous practices in connection with kite flying include using metallic cord for the kite string, making the kite frame of metal, flying kites in the rain when even a cotton kite string can become a dangerous conductor of electricity and trying to retrieve a kite in case it does get caught in electric wires, Mr. Stewart stated.

"Local youngsters who fly kites have been careful and cooperative in the past and we've had no serious mishaps in several years, but each year, over the nation, there are many cases of injury to kite fliers," Mr. Stewart said. "If kites are made right and flown right, kite flying is an enjoyable, wholesome sport."

To further impress children that safety is all-important in kite

**Oliver Springs**  
**NEWS**

By Florence Richardson

Had our regular attendance at Sunday School.

Mr. and Mrs. John Edward Henderson and girls of Ft Worth were visitors in the Henderson and Buford Cogburn homes over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Hardy Parker of Eastland, the Bruce Hirst family of Gorman visited Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Hirst on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Atchison, Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Hirst and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mears of Arlington visited the S. E. Mears Friday night.

Mrs. Marvin Jones of the Victor Community spent Thursday night with her parents, the Grover Perrys, and visited the A. D. Bryan's Friday.

Dale Gilmore of Odessa was visiting the Gilmore families over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Reid were in Cisco Tuesday visiting the Jim Slaughters.

Mr. and Mrs. Day visited Mr. Day's sister, Mrs. Steele, of Sidney last Sunday.

Glad to have Mrs. Henderson back in Sunday School. She has been ill for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Daniels

and son spent the week end in Breckenridge visiting relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Garland Perry and Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Stewart and sons visited the Yvonne Perrys in De Leon Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Mears of De Leon visited with a brother and wife, S. E. Mears, Sunday afternoon. Mrs. B. A. Hirst, Mrs. R. H. Watson, and Mrs. Richardson visited Mrs. Parker in Eastland Friday. Miss Jean Porter spent Sunday with Margaret Kinser. Mr. Idus Echols of Staff visited the D. L. Bonds Sunday morning.

**CHEVROLET NEWS**

Detroit, Feb. 14

Sales leadership of the automobile industry by more than 100,000 vehicles was credited to Chevrolet as the R. L. Polk & Co., announced final registration figures for 1955.

The Polk figures gave Chevrolet a lead of 67,405 new passenger cars and 33,891 trucks for combined margins of 101,296 units over its nearest competitor.

Chevrolet passenger car registrations reached 1,640,681, said the Polk report, with trucks hitting 329,791.

T. H. Keating, general manager of Chevrolet, pointed out that the figures set a new record for the industry and marked the twentieth consecutive year that Chevrolet has led the industry in passenger car sales.

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**MOTOR INSPECTION**

Have your motor vehicle inspected today, advised Captain G. L. Morahan, of the Abilene Highway Patrol District.

All motor vehicles registered in Texas must be inspected by April 15, 1956; so as to avoid long

lines have your vehicle inspected now.

Enforcement of the Motor Vehicle Act is in effect now, and all vehicles must display the new inspection sticker after April 15, or owners and operators are subject to fine not to exceed \$200 for each violation. The inspection is only \$1 if no repairs are needed.



**ALWAYS FRESH!**



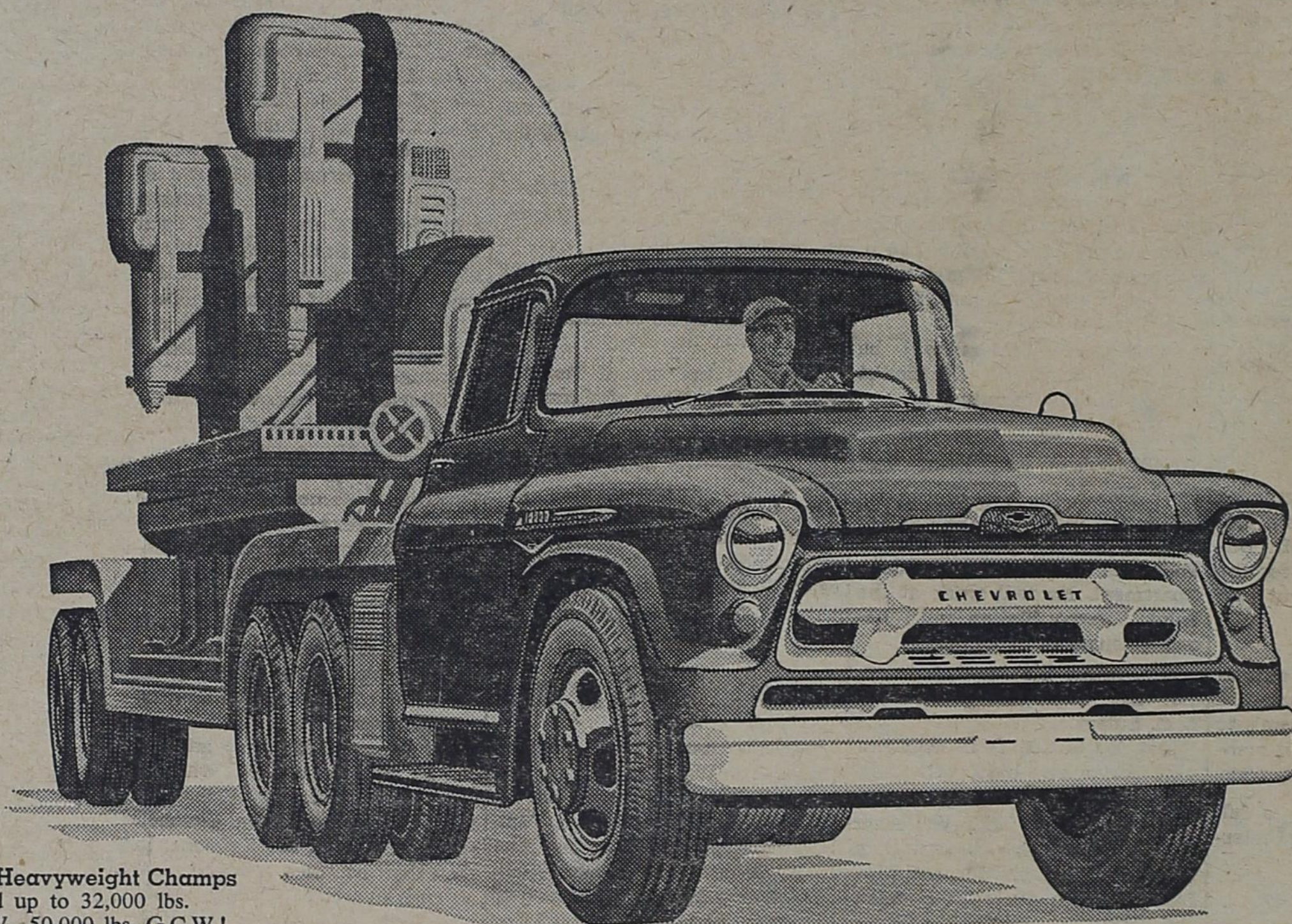
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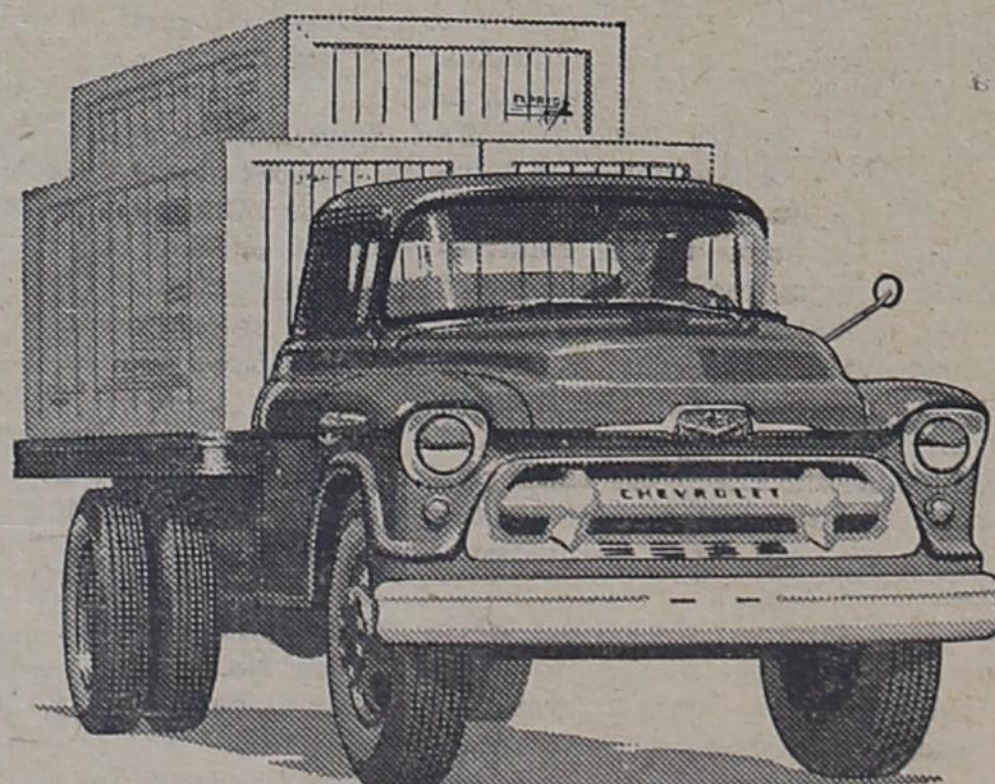
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# Highlights and Sidelights

Vern Sanford,  
Texas Press Association

Texans will hear a lot about "interposition" during the next few months.

Gov. Shivers has asked the

Democratic State Executive Committee to consider placing on the July ballot a referendum on "interposition."

"Interposition" as it is being used in this case means "to stand between." And the Federal Government's interference with States Rights is what Governor Shivers refers to. He seeks to

place the Texas Legislature between the people of Texas and "the abnormal extension of power by the Federal Government in all its branches -- Legislative, Executive and Judicial."

Shivers contends that certain rulings are beyond the power of the court. Therefore the referendum to be voted on in July would be a declaration by the people of Texas that U S Supreme Court

decisions on such matters as the Tidelands, intergration and the Federal Power Commission's control over gas are inapplicable because they go beyond Federal jurisdiction.

If approved by the people, the referendum would be a mandate to the Legislature for them to vote for submission of a Federal constitutional amendment firming up the defined State Sovereignty.

While other states are using interposition in a negative fashion Shivers plans to use it in a positive way to protect the State's rights. He is strongly opposed to the extension of power by the Federal Government at the expense of state and local governments.

"Interposition" will be an often used word during the coming months. People who do not like the idea say it is "nullification." Shivers contends he is opposed to nullification as being contrary to truly constitutional government.

Russell Wine of San Antonio said Zweiner would not be replaced.

Appeal of the Upshur County Rural Electric Cooperative, from a Travis Co. court decision in favor of the state "on relation of Southwestern Gas and Electric Co.," was argued in Third Civil Appeals Court. Former Gov. Dan Moody was among counsel for the cooperative. Spokesman for co-op said the trial decision, unless reversed, would destroy all electric cooperatives.

At issue was the right of the Upshur County Co-op to continue serving customers taken into the city of Gilmer by annexation. A controversial point is application of the law that co-ops may not serve rural customers where private utilities have facilities available to furnish the service.

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*The First National Bank* GORMAN, TEXAS

"Oldest Bank In Eastland County"

Veterans' Land Sales will be courthouse news again in Austin, come March 6. That's when the trial scheduled for B. R. Sheffield, Brady land promoter and one-time business associate of former Land Commissioner Bascom Giles will be held.

Sheffield has summoned 131 witnesses, including Gov. Shivers, Atty. Gen. John Ben Shepperd, and Land Commissioner J. Earl Rudder. Also John Osorio, aide to Shivers; Robert S. Trotti, former first assistant attorney general; and Hemer Garrison, director of public safety.

Sheffield is charged with theft of state funds in connection with a Kenney County land deal.

Texas politics heated up ahead of season when Governor Shivers announced that he might run for a fourth term. It is the closest he has come to saying "yes." This news quickly eclipsed an earlier statement by Sen. Jimmy Phillips of Angleton that he was withdrawing from the race for governor for lack of campaign funds. A later announcement by Shivers was that he would reveal his political plans for 1956 on March 1.

U. S. Senator Price Daniel said that Shivers' decision, whichever way it went, would in no way effect his own decision about becoming a gubernatorial candidate. His announcement awaits disposal of farm legislation now pending in congress, and is expected mid-March.

Morris Brownlee of Houston is replacing Garland Smith on the insurance Commission. Until a few weeks ago Brownlee was executive vice-president of Continental American Life Insurance Co. of Houston.

J. Byron Saunders, chairman of the insurance commission, reports that one of the largest insurance firms, Lloyds of London, has agreed to pay the state an estimated \$1,500,000 in premium taxes. Although not admitted to do business directly in Texas, Lloyds writes surplus insurance where amounts involved are too big for any admitted company to handle alone. Bills to tax such surplus insurance have repeatedly failed to pass the legislature.

Two mutual companies were placed in receivership after their permits were revoked by the insurance commission. They were American Home Mutual and Trans-County Mutual, both of Dallas.

State Auditor C. H. Cavness reports errors and irregularities in the records of Texas Southern University of Houston. TSU is a state supported college for negroes.

Cavness said there was a shortage of more than \$5,000 in the bookstore inventory which "may or may not" be connected with a \$2,976 coverage in the general storeroom inventory.

"Texas Southern is among the most crowded of Texas' state-supported institutions of higher learning," according to the auditor's report. He said he did not believe the staff was adequate to keep proper records.

Resignation of Federal Attorney Lonny F. Zweiner to join the state attorney general's staff leaves Austin without a Federal prosecutor. U. S. Dist. Attorney

An A F L Teamsters Union Official, Raymond C. Shafer, business manager for the Union's Local 657, was arrested by Texas Rangers and charged with playing a role in the August, 1954 bombing of an Austin warehouse during a labor dispute. The Austin fireproof warehouse was being picketed by the Teamsters Union at the time of the explosion. Shafer also faces charges in connection with a bombing in San Antonio in 1955.

Paul L. Wakefield, former state selective service director, has been promoted to major general in the Texas National Guard by Governor Shivers. Wakefield also was presented the U. S. Citation of merit. This by General Douglas C. Pritchett, personal representative of Major General Lewis B. Hershey, national director of Selective Service. Wakefield resigned from the Selective service post last September.

R. L. Whelock, Corsicana independent oil and gas producer and rancher, has been appointed to the Good Neighbor Commission. Governor Shivers named Whelock to succeed Neville G. Penrose of Fort Worth who resigned a term that was to run until June 19, 1957, to become a member of the International Good Neighbor Council.

William J. Harding is the new public relations director for the Texas Insurance Advisory Association. He was editor of the Texas State Teachers Association magazine. He succeeds Jack Maguire, now executive secretary of the U T Ex-Students Association.

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Do you see a difference? Yes there is quite a contrast. What can we do to fulfill the Lord's Prayer? Observation teaches us that human creeds, uninspired names, and doctrines of men are things that divide believers. No cure can be worked until the cause has been removed, therefore such things must be cast aside.

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A Texan's pride away from home may sometimes be a dangerous thing. However, from our standpoint, we think we can justify it most of the time.

An article in one of the large Washington papers carries a date

line from Avoca, located in my home county of Jones, to the effect that a State scoring record in basketball has been set by the Avoca basketball team.

Naturally, this has been brought to the attention of quite a few people in Washington.

Many of us become exceedingly critical and sometimes reach the point of disgust with our western allies. We must, however, remember that American world policy is founded upon western alliance. The thing which makes it more impressive is that for the national defense of the United States itself, which is founded upon a Strategic Air Command,

we are dependent for 80 per cent of our striking power from overseas bases. These bases are controlled by our western allies.

An amendment to the Social Security Bill introduced in the Senate would provide that all those on public assistance rolls would be given surplus commodity stamps in addition to their current monthly benefits. They would take these stamps to the grocery and other stores and exchange them for any commodity or product designated as "surplus" by the Department of agriculture. In turn the "surplus" stamps could be redeemed by the merchant in cash or in more 'surplus' commodities.

The President has recommended that the Congress liberalize our immigration laws. Just a short time ago we finished up strengthening them, but now it seems a lot of people want to weaken the improvement made the so-called Walter-McCarren Act.

The President in a message delivered to congress recommend sweeping revision. The Administration recommends that the over-all quota of people admitted to this country be increased from 154,000 to over 220,000.

We have all heard the expression "It's for the birds," but evidently the landing lights at some airports are not.

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## Desdemona News

Anell McMaster, Reporter

Word was received Sunday that Mr. and Mrs. Gid Tarpley were in a car wreck Saturday near Eliasville. No one was seriously injured.

Mrs. W. M. Shipman of Lamesa entered the Ranger hospital Monday. She is in critical condition.

Jeanette and Drenda Sharp, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Sharp, are sick with the measles.

Mr. Jerry Buckley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ruffes Buckley, was married Sunday in Kermit, Texas to Miss Pat Williams. His many friends in Desdemona wish him and his bride the best of every thing.

Mr. and Mrs. Elton Cooke of Leveland visited Mr. and Mrs. Hew Able Friday. She is the sister of Mr. Hew Able.

Mr. and Mrs. John Arnold visited the last of the week with their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Arnold.

Mr. and Mrs. Darwood Ragland visited the Raglands this week. They are from Mexico.

Mrs. Hew Abel went to Farmersville Sunday on a combined business and pleasure trip.

Mrs. Ollie Fien has returned home from a visit with her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Fien in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Clark and family of Electra visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Clark and her mother, Mrs. Rouse.

Mr. and Mrs. Junior Moore visited Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hyson Echols and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Croff of Fort Worth visited her mother Mrs. Lonnie Clayton.

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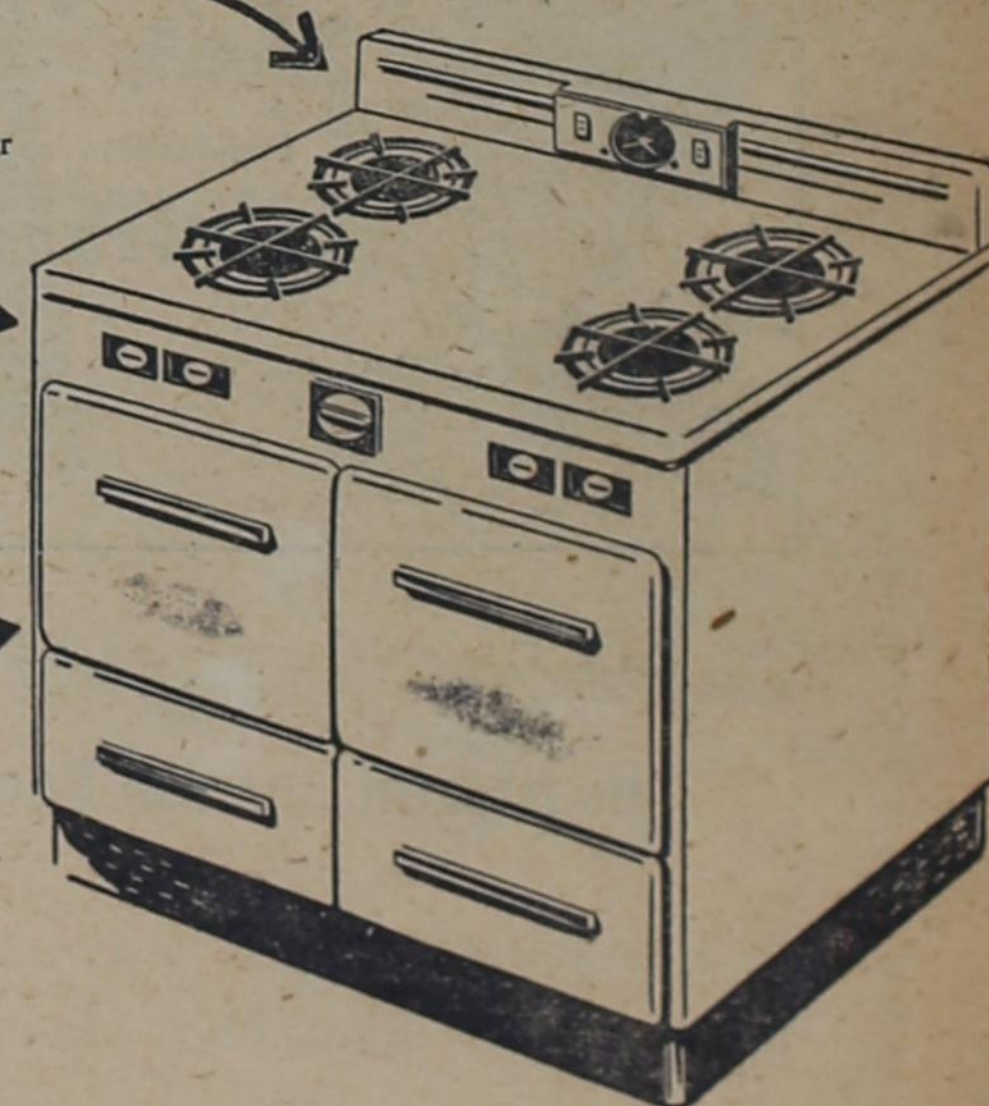


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## Country Echoes

By Mrs. Bill Tucker

For the past two months have you missed the news column of this community reporter? Well, we can assure you we have missed it more than the readers. We like writing to you.

Since moving to the Indian Mountain area, the weather, of course everyone knows about that, kept us at home for a time.

Re-papering a six-room house has also provided us with a job to do while camped here in the nicest black mud imaginable.

Our neighbors are the nicest ever, coming and welcoming us to the community. The loaf of banana-nut given us by Mrs. Ernest Broome cheered our spirits and was delicious to our taste.

We visited the Broomes and watched television.

Mrs. Bud Lay and Mrs. Steele, and Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Lassiter have visited us and made us feel quite at home.

We visited at Cheaney on Sunday attending Church services, and visiting the John Tuckers.

Clyde Autwine still preaches regularly for the Church of Christ at Cheaney.

Mrs. Maud Dean is recovering nicely from recent surgery for removal of gallstones, so reports Mrs. Ben Freeman.

Lonzo Melton is a patient in a Dallas hospital, but is improving some. Mrs. Melton is staying with a son, Curtis Melton, in Galveston, during the hospitalization of Mr. Melton.

Mrs. Mary Tucker is visiting in Coleman with her daughter, Mrs. Eva Stone and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Campbell, of the New Hope Community visited us on Thursday night. It seems this reporter is needed on the Farm Bureau Publicity again, after this two months lapse of time off. We like to work when we are needed.

We attended Comanche County Council in February, and met the group who attended. Also visited the Saint Jo H D Club near De Leon, last meeting in February and was delighted with their meeting.

We are sorry to learn that one of the Cheaney H D Club members, Mrs. R. W. Gordon is to undergo surgery soon.

Most of Eastland County sand passed our way during the high wind and sand the past week.

Have you gardened yet? It's time if you think thunder in February doesn't mean frost in April like our mother's old weather prediction.

I must run along. Hope you have enjoyed the chat as much as I have. See you next week.

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## FOURTH GRADE NEWS

We are through with our six week's test and most everyone made good grades. Only two more to go.

The large Reading class has a new Social Studies Reader. It tells about our Great Americans. We think everyone will enjoy it. In it we will have some Geography, History and Biographies.

In our Story Book Club we are going to have "Sing Song". We hope everyone will have their verses memorized.

We are having our visitation day March 8, and we request all of our parents and friends to come and spend as much time as possible with us on that day. Also on Tuesday evening, March 6, our school will have Open House, and everyone is invited to come. Our work books, art work, and samples of all our school studies will be on exhibit.

The children are working hard on their Health work books. We hope everyone has a nice book. Most all the pupils are really interested in collecting the proper pictures for each lesson.

Bobby Rodgers was on the six week's spelling honor roll. Thomas Seay was also on the last three week's spelling honor roll. We are proud of these boys for their fine work and hope we will have more on this honor roll next time.

## Doers, Dividers Make Up World, Lecturer Says

Star-Telegram, Feb. 23, 1956 — There are two different kinds of people in the world - the bridge builders and the ditch diggers, Rev. Gaston Foote said Thursday night during a Willson lecture at Texas Wesleyan College.

The bridge builders bring people together; the ditch diggers divide them, he said.

There are racial ditch diggers, religious ditch diggers and national ditch diggers.

Speaking of national ditch diggers, Rev. Mr. Foote said there are people who criticize the United Nations but "it is better for the old men of the world to get ulcers arguing than for the young men of the world to get tombstones fighting."

"If a man is to find peace," he said, "he must first make peace with himself."

EDITORS NOTE: Thanks to Mrs. Etha Pittman for calling our attention to the above article.

## Howard HD Club Enjoy Salad Demonstration

The Howard HD Club met on February 22 at Mrs. Charles Lees in Desdemona. Roll call was answered by "A Foreign Country You'd Like To Visit", and responses were lively and informative.

The Council delegate, Mrs. Ella Tidwell, gave an interesting report on the meeting at Eastland on February 8 to which Mrs. Floyd Moore and Mrs. J. E. Heeter accompanied her. Mrs. Heeter and Mrs. Moore were appointed to serve on Council committee.

After other business was disposed of all members retired to the kitchen where Mrs. Heeter and Mrs. Tidwell conducted a salad demonstration. (Mrs. Clarence Ragland was to have taken the part Mrs. Tidwell had in this but had come down with the flu the day before).

The women made three kinds of salad according to directions furnished by the HD Agent. One was a ment salad, another a Calico Slaw, and the third was a sweet mixture made with peanut butter, ground raw peanuts and raisins. All three placed on plates with crackers and a drink, were the tempting refreshments enjoyed by the following besides the demonstrators: Mmes. Warden, Ryan, Moore and the hostesses.

To remind us it was George Washington's birthday Mrs. Heeter had as favors Martha Washington dolls, dressed in true colonial style with gold skirt, orchid tunic, white shawl around her pipe cleaner shoulders and a white bonnet on her marshmallow head.

The next meeting will be on March 7 at Mrs. Moores.

## ATTENDING SCHOOL IN NEW JERSEY

Dwayne Clement of Dallas, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Clement of Gorman, is attending school in West Orange, New Jersey for the next six weeks. Since his release from the Army in 1954 Dwayne has been employed with the Thomas A. Edison Dictating Equipment Co. in Dallas.

Dwayne has been training as technician on all Edison Dictating Equipment and to further his training he has been sent to the Company School in N. J. After completion of this course he will return to Dallas where he will be sent out to a Branch Office.

Mrs. Clement, the former Georgia Porter, will remain in Gorman with her parents until her husband returns.



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# Sports

By JERRY CLARK

Avoca has one of the most fabulous records in basketball this season that I ever saw.

Most people probably don't know where Avoca is. I didn't until I looked up the community in the Texas Almanac. It is locat-

ed about half-way between Stamford and Lueders, in Jones County. According to the census of 1950, it has a population of 200 people. Of course, since 5 years have passed since that census, the community might have more people now.

But its size apparently has nothing to do with the basketball ability of its boys. This season the Avoca boys have played 41 games, won 37 and lost 4. Their four losses have been to Olden, the 23-B champion, 1955

state Class AA champion Seminole, the McMurry College Freshmen, and 3-AA champion Childress. Avoca beat all of these teams in return matches with the exception of Seminole, whom they played only once. Seminole beat Avoca by only 3 points, 49-46. The Avoca Mustangs have beat such teams this season as the Hardin-Simmons Freshmen, the McMurry College Freshmen, Childress, Ballinger, and Merkel, all of them highly regarded teams. Imagine a Class B high school team beating two college freshmen teams!

The Mustangs have scored 2,944 points in their 41 games this season, for an average of over 71 points per game. They have scored over 100 points in 7 of their 41 games. The victims of their over-100-point surges were Childress, Lawn (twice), Lueders, Guthrie, South Taylor, and Moran. Their 146 point debacle against South Taylor set an all-time scoring record for high schools in the state. Their lowest score this season was a 25-22 win over Ballinger.

The spark plug of this high scoring machine is a lad named Max Williams, a two-year all-stater. The all-state sensation has scored 1,184 points this season for an average of 28.8 points per game. In his four-year career with the Mustangs, he has scored 3,307 points in 137 games for an average of 24.1 points per game. Anyone who follows basketball knows that a 20 point per game average is considered exceptional. And his point total will be more if his team is successful in defending their state Class B title at Austin on March 1, 2, 3. They are the present Class B state champions.

Avoca will be one of eight Class B teams in the state tournament at Austin. The Mustangs won their third straight Region II-B championship last Saturday night in the regional tournament at Brownwood. The Mustangs defeated Burkett, 60-52, in the tension-packed finals that were broken open by Avoca only in the last four minutes. Lipan, another Region II-B veteran, took third place with a 46-45 victory over Crawford. In Saturday morning semi-finals Avoca walloped Lipan 68-51, in a game that was expected to be close. Max Williams, the Avoca ace, scored 77 points in the tournament to lead all scoring. He scored 25, 25, and 27 points in the three games Avoca played, in that order.

For the superb work that he has done with his boys this season, Avoca Coach G. E. Hastings, was named Basketball Coach of the Year by the Texas Sports-writers Association.

West Central Texas' last hopes

for a state basketball championship above the Class B level tumbled Saturday when Class A Throckmorton and Class AA Stephenville suffered losses in regional semi-finals action at Lubbock. Avoca, of course, of Class B, is the last hope in West Central Texas for a state championship.

Reagan County, whom Avoca beat this season, won the Region I-A title, while Phillips won the Region I-AA crown. Both teams will be among four regional winners from Class A and AA at the state tournament in Austin. There will be four regional winners in the tournament from each class.

Throckmorton, bi-district winners over Cross Plains of our own district, was eliminated in their first game at Lubbock. Hale Center defeated Throckmorton 72 to 63. However, there were only four teams, Reagan County, Wellington, Hale Center, and Throckmorton in the regional tourney. Hale Center was beaten by Reagan County (where that is) in the finals, so Throckmorton should not feel too bad. Incidentally, Throckmorton will be in the same district with Eastland this fall.

Phillips, in pulling the biggest upset of the Class AA tourney, won the Region I-AA title by edging 1955 state Class AA champion Seminole 70 to 69 in a thriller.

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Reporter, Mrs. Lorene Johnson

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Southern Methodist rushed back in the last half to beat Arkansas 80-72 Saturday night to win its second straight Southwest Conference basketball championship. Behind 42-37 at the intermission, the Mustangs scored 11 points before Arkansas could count in the second half and pushed to a lead that they never surrendered.

SMU, as champion of the Southwest Conference, will now meet the champion of the Border Conference in a playoff game at Wichita, Kansas for the right to play in the NCAA tournament. Texas Western College is currently leading the Border Conference title race, but there is a possibility for Texas Tech to win.

The Wylie girls, winners of the girls division of our district, advanced into regional playoffs as they raced by the Roby girls 55 to 46 in bi-district play on Monday night. Wylie now moves into the regional tourney this week end at Lubbock. The Wylie girls have a 26-4 record for the season.

be no room in you for grief, fear, disappointments and doubt.

All churches had regular attendance Sunday. Sunday evening is regular singing evening at Rock Bluff Church. You are invited to come.

Glad to report Bro. Frank Skaggs is able to be up part of the time. Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Quinn of Ft Worth visited in their home Sunday.

Sorry Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Smith are still on the sick list. Mr. and Mrs. Zeak Smith from Colorado City have been visiting them the past two weeks.

Jimmie and Danny Farley have been ill this week with the mumps.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Cadenhead of Brownwood and Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Ross of De Leon visited Mr. and Mrs. Seal Smith Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Farris Heathington and son of Muleshoe and his mother, Mrs. Will Heathington of Lubbock, visited Mr. and Mrs. Webb Heathington over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Cozby of Abilene visited Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Johnson Wednesday.

Mrs. Con Meeler and children of Seminole visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Frasier, last week.

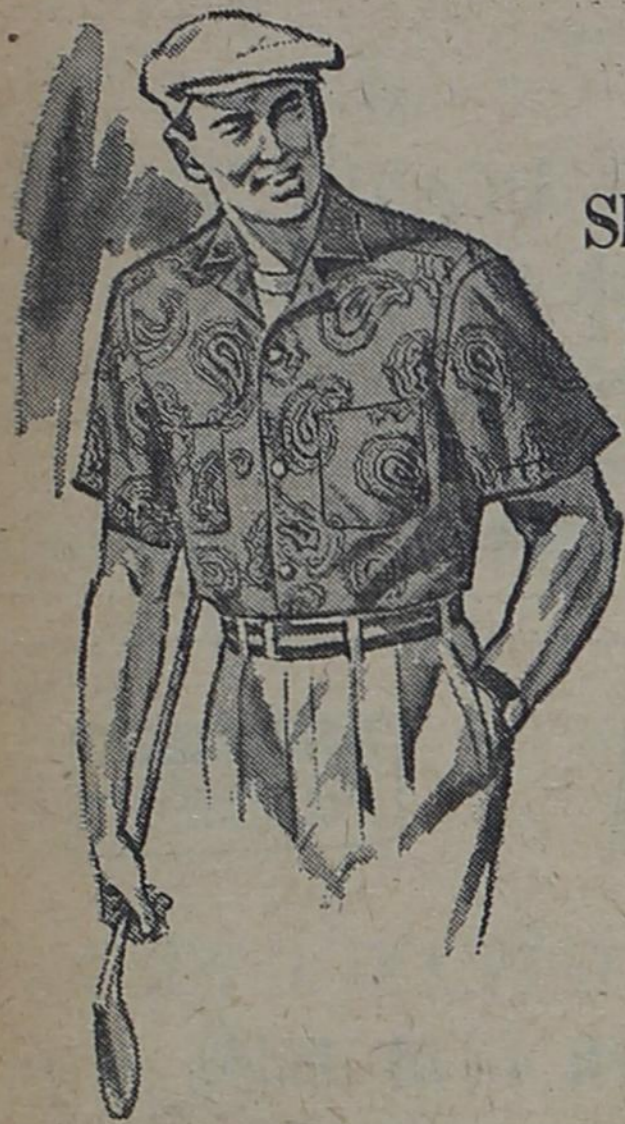
Mr. C. R. Henderson and Mrs. W. O. Wren of Coleman visited the D. D. Roland family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Holland and children of Colorado City visited a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Graham.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Fisher of Eastland and Miss Katherine Dunlap of Ranger visited Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Gray Sunday night.



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