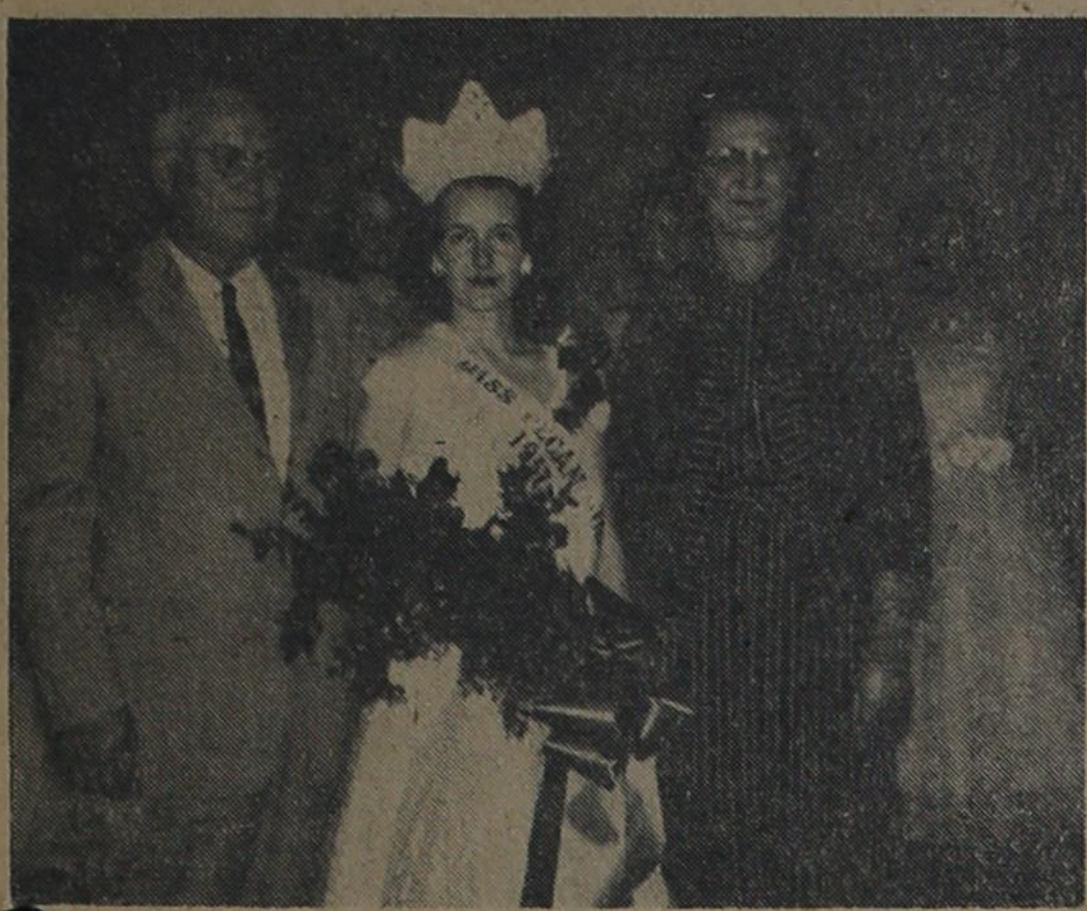


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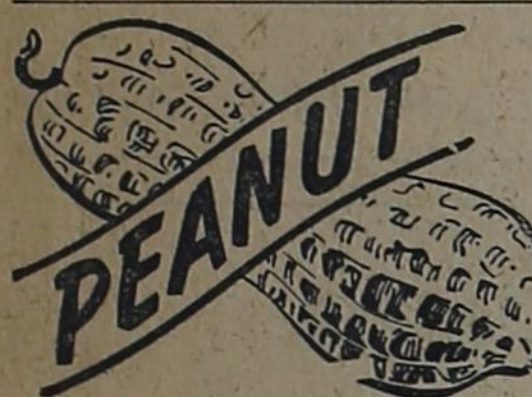


Mr. and Mrs. Denman J. Burns with her daughter, Ann Little of Rising Star, who was crowned Pecan Queen at the Eastland County Pecan Growers Show which was held in Cisco on December 6th and 7th.

## OVER 200 ENTRIES IN PECAN CONTEST

Herman Schaefer, Nimrod, president of the Eastland County Pecan Growers Association, stated that over 200 entries, including natives, seedlings and proven varieties, kept the judges working overtime to select the winners.

Mr. D. J. Jobe won first place and Charlie Simmons, third place. Their prize winning trees were budded from a tree belonging to Mr. Henry Capers whose pecans won first place in the State Contest in 1956.



**HULLS**  
by Kernel Gene, aPe

Every day we read of men, women and children being killed or permanently injured by a careless or reckless driver.

Thursday afternoon (5th) I watched a young man with his girl friend (I know she admired his skill although her life was in danger) zig zagging down Highway Six. At first I thought it was a drunk, but on seeing who it was I felt rather sick. I have watched this young man for a long time. He is friendly, courteous, apparently popular with the young folks and is the son of Christian parents. One look at the silly expression on his face almost forced me to lose my respect for him. What if he had injured this lovely girl by his side? A life-time of remorse could not heal a scarred face or broken bones. Could he and his family face her parents if this had happened?

I know there are adults who violate the law every day, but you who are starting the journey of life have so much to do and see, why handicap yourself at the beginning?

Please be careful, son, I want you to become a man.

Do you have an old antique gun that you would like to sell? In Cisco Friday I met Shy Osborn, commercial photographer. I don't know how we got on the subject of guns, but before I left Shy had given me a brief history of fire arms. Did you know that the advance of civilization has depended upon the improved versions of guns . . . that gun powder goes back beyond the Chinese Dynasty . . . that without fire arms the white man would probably never have conquered the Indians? I imagine someday Shy Osborn will place his collection in a museum. So, if you have an old gun that you want preserved for posterity, contact Mr. Osborn.

There is another collector of rare items in Cisco but his story is too long to tell in this column. Will run it later. This collector is an artist as well and was rather surprised to hear we had a man in Gorman who raised three thoroughbred horses.

Overheard the following conversation at a coffee table Friday:

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## Pecan Growers Meeting Set For December 16th.

All members of the Eastland County Pecan Growers Association are urged to attend a meeting at the Court House in Eastland, 7:30 p. m., Monday, December 16th.

There will be an election of officers. Also an important project will be discussed.

## Tech Student Plans December Wedding

The engagement of Miss Jimmie Cape Holt to Tommy Dan Beatty of Desdemona has been announced by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Audrey L. Holt of Rt. M, Lockney, Texas.

The prospective bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dan M. Beatty of Desdemona.



Miss Holt is a graduate of Lockney High School and is a sophomore student at Texas Tech.

The prospective bridegroom is a 1957 graduate of Texas Tech. Plans are being made for the wedding to take place at 7:00 p. m., December 28th, in the First Methodist Church in Lockney.

A reception will be held in the home of the bride's parents.

## Businessmen Elect Officers For 1958 To Award Prizes For Decorating

At the regular monthly business meeting of the Businessmen's Club Mr. John Kimble was elected president for the coming year. Mr. Keith Whitt was presented the office of vice-president and Mr. M. F. Allen was elected secretary.

The club voted to award prizes for decorating within the city limits again this year. Prizes of \$10, \$5 and \$2.50 will be awarded the most attractively decorated home. The business houses with the most attractive window will be awarded first prize, \$10; second prize \$5; and third \$2.50.

Out of town judges will make a tour of inspection between December 19 and 21 to pick the winners.

## Contract Let On Duster Road

J. F. Butler and Son of Cleburne has been awarded the contract for constructing the Farm Market Road from the De Leon-Sipe Springs Road to Gorman, according to B. M. Bennett, Commissioner of Precinct 2.

The Progress has been unable to contact Mr. Butler, but we understand that work is to begin immediately.

## Students Receive Lone Star Degrees

Among twenty-two members of the Cross Timbers FFA District receiving Lone Star Farmer Degrees at the group's annual award banquet in Stephenville on Monday evening, December 9th was Durwood Burgess, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rayford Burgess.

Eddie Browning, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Browning, won a district farm electrification award.



COUNTING HIS PEANUTS - Not exactly, but Joe Collins did invite Kernel Gene to look over what appears to be a good crop. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Simpson are operating the combine.

Many entries were also placed in the Bake Contest which was under the direction of Miss Sandra Kirkland, County Home Demonstration Agent.

The Queen Contest was sponsored by the Cisco Chamber of Commerce and was directed by Mrs. Peggy Gallagher. Vaughn W. Summers, director of Cisco Industrial Program, served as the master of ceremonies and also assisted County Agent J. M. Cooper and association members in staging the pecan show.

Plans are being discussed as to the possibility of having a State Show in 1958.

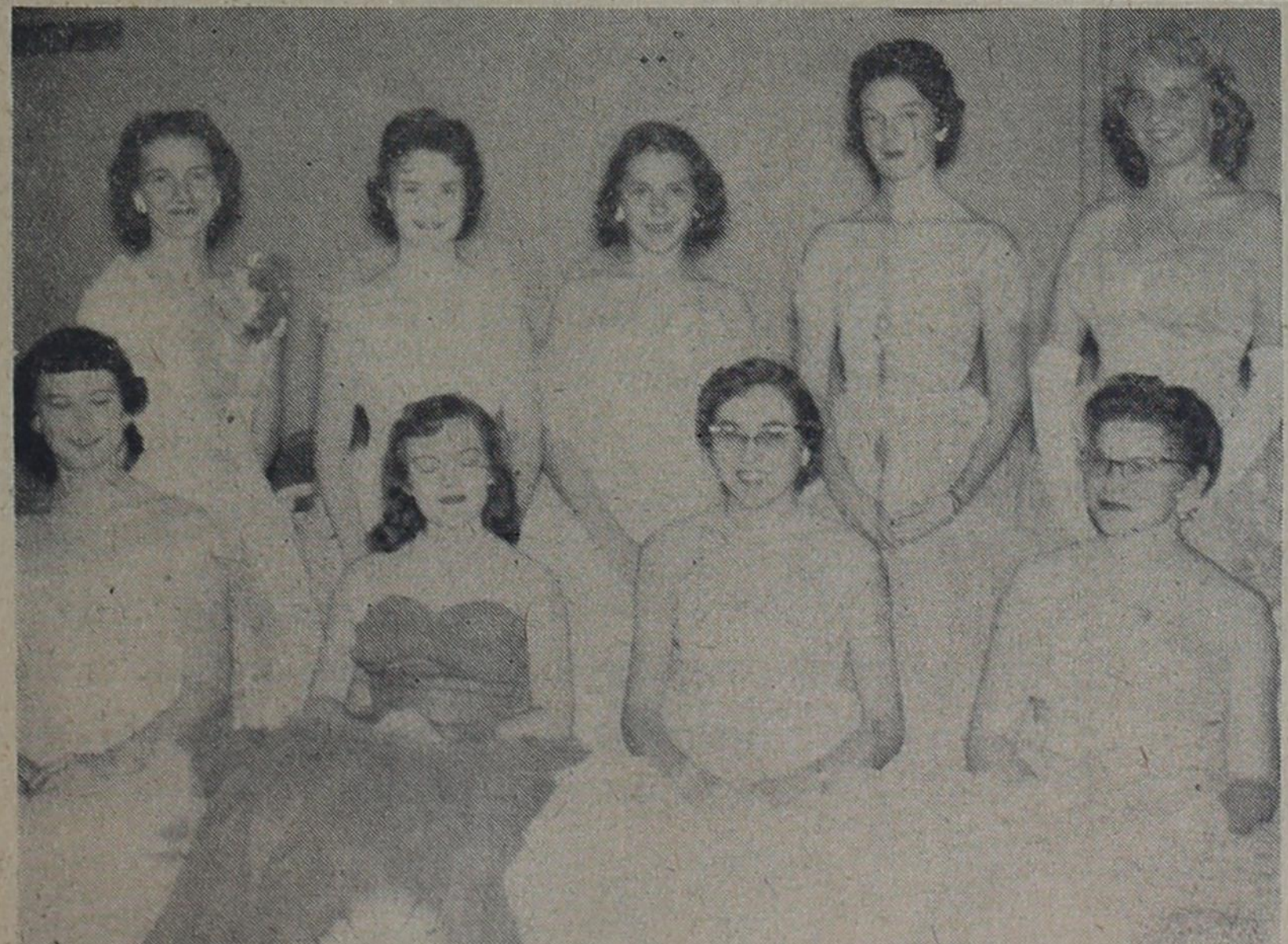
## Friendly Ladies Enjoy Christmas Party

The Friendly Ladies Sunday School Class of the First Methodist Church enjoyed their Christmas party on Wednesday morning in the home of Mrs. Dorothy Hatcher with Mrs. J. W. Ramsey and Mrs. Robert Haynes as co-hostesses.

Mrs. Haynes led in prayer. Mrs. G. C. Acrea gave a timely devotional. Refreshments were served from a beautifully laid table to 26 members.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bob Browning, Bob and Kathy of Gruver visited recently with the John Brownings.

Mr. Huppie Morris and James of Brownfield also visited with the John Brownings.



These young ladies made choosing a Queen for the Eastland County Pecan Show a very difficult task.

Top left to right: Ann Little, Rising Star; Olene Culwell, Okra; Bobbie Spring, Nimrod; Paula Coats, Bluff Branch; Sandra Norval, Eastland.

- Seated: Glenda Brown, Pioneer; Ann Toombs, Eastland; Carole Hagan, Pleasant Hill; Betty Jo Belyeu, Gorman.

The ceremonies were held at Cisco Junior College, Saturday evening, December 7th.

# Indian Trail Tournament Begins Monday Night

## MONDAY NIGHT --

6:30 P. M. - De Leon vs. Strawn (Girls)  
7:45 P. M. - Strawn vs. Dublin (Boys)  
9:00 P. M. - Comanche vs. Dublin (Girls)

## TUESDAY NIGHT --

6:30 P. M. - Blanket vs. Ranger (Boys)  
7:45 P. M. - Scranton vs. Gorman (Girls)  
9:00 P. M. - Gorman vs. Scranton (Boys)

## THURSDAY NIGHT --

6:30 P. M. - Loser (Dublin-Strawn) vs. Loser (Scranton-Gorman) (Boys)  
7:45 P. M. - Blanket vs. Stephenville (Girls)  
9:00 P. M. - De Leon vs. Comanche (Boys)

## FRIDAY NIGHT --

6:30 P. M. - Winner (Comanche-Dublin) vs. Winner (Scranton-Gorman) (Girls)  
7:45 P. M. - Winner (De Leon-Strawn) vs. Winner (Blanket-Stephenville) (Girls)  
9:00 P. M. - Loser (De Leon-Comanche) vs. Loser (Blanket-Ranger) (Boys)

## SATURDAY --

9:15 A. M. - Loser (De Leon-Strawn) vs. Loser (Blanket-Stephenville) (Girls)  
10:30 A. M. - Loser (Comanche-Dublin) vs. Loser (Scranton-Gorman) (Girls)  
1:00 P. M. - Winner (De Leon-Comanche) vs. Winner (Blanket-Ranger) (Boys)  
2:15 P. M. - Winner (Dublin-Strawn) vs. Winner (Scranton-Gorman) (Boys)  
5:15 P. M. - Consolation Finals (Girls)  
6:30 P. M. - Consolation Finals (Boys)  
7:45 P. M. - Championship Finals (Girls)  
9:00 P. M. - Championship Finals (Boys)

Gorman's Indian Trail Basketball Tournament will begin Monday night with a new plan of scheduling. Sessions will be held at night instead of during the daytime. Three games will be played each night on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday nights. No games will be played on Wednesday, and the only daytime sessions of the meet will be held on Saturday. So the dates of the tourney are the nights of December 16, 17, 19, 20, and all day on December 21.

Eight boys teams and eight girls teams are entered. Boys teams are from De Leon, Comanche, Blanket, Ranger, Dublin, Strawn, Scranton, and Gorman. De Leon, Comanche, Ranger, and Dublin are Class AA teams, while Blanket, Strawn, Scranton and Gorman are all Class B teams.

Girls teams are Class AA De Leon, Stephenville, Comanche and Dublin, and Class B Strawn, Blanket, Scranton, and Gorman.

## Panthers Win Consolation Trophy At Scranton

The Gorman Panthers did not beat Baird in football this year, but they did whip the Bears in basketball. This came about last Saturday at Scranton as the two arch rivals met in the consolation bracket of the Scranton Tournament, with the Panthers stomping the Bears, 50-27. The Panthers must have been getting revenge for losing the football crown to Baird, for they really trounced the Bears in the round-ball game. Johnny Rodgers netted 19 points, Jerry Warren, 14, and Delbert Smith, 12, to sack up Baird.

With Smith and Warren at the forward positions, Rodgers at center, Bobby Standridge and Eddie Gregg at guards, and David Revels subbing at guard and forward, the Panthers lost only one game in the tourney, to Cisco, the eventual champion. The Big Cats lost their opening game of the event on Thursday night to the Class AA team by 43-27. In this game Gregg was top scorer for Gorman with 10 points.

Then on Saturday the Panthers pasted Baird and edged May, 45 to 42, to bring home the consolation trophy. In the game with May Smith bagged 25 points and Rodgers netted 11 points. Smith was the high-point man for Gorman with 37 points, and was named to the All-Tournament team.

A comparison of Olden and Gorman might be made from this tourney. In the brackets, Cisco beat Olden, 63-45, and Gorman, 43-27. So Cisco beat Olden by 18 points and Gorman by 16.

## B. F. Pendarvis Celebrate Fifty Years Of Marriage

On December 11, 1907, Miss Laura A. Stadler became the bride of Benjamin Franklin Pendarvis. The wedding ceremonies were held at the Methodist Church in West, Texas. The couple moved to Lorena where Mr. Pendarvis had been promoted to Station Agent. Later the couple moved to Gorman where they have been an active part of church, Masonic, Eastern Star and community life for many years.

Although Mrs. Pendarvis has suffered ill health in the past few years she refuses to become bedfast and never misses an opportunity to attend church or any other activity in the community.

The love and affection of this couple for one another and for their friends is an inspiration to all who know them.

We join their many friends in wishing them a Happy Anniversary and may they enjoy many more.

## A Series Of Local Children's Pictures To Be Taken Free; Printed In Progress

There Is No Age Limit  
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Monday, December 16 is the big day for the picture taking of your youngsters! The Progress is having pictures taken of all children who are brought by their parents or other guardian to the Progress office between 10 a. m. and 5 p. m. absolutely free of charge.

The Progress wants a picture of your child to print in its forthcoming feature, "Citizens of Tomorrow", a series of photographic studies of local children. The more we get the better the feature will be, so the cooperation of the mothers and fathers is urged.

It often seems to parents that children are little one minute and are grown up the next, so fast does a child's growing stage pass.

Here is a splendid opportunity to catch a likeness of your child or children at the present stage for the pleasure you will get out of it in future years and for the pleasure you will enjoy in seeing it in print. You will want to clip it from this, your hometown newspaper, and preserve it for the youngster when he or she grows up.

There is absolutely no charge or obligation for taking the pictures. Parents don't even have to be a subscriber to the Progress nor even a reader. You do not have to purchase pictures either, though you may obtain additional prints by arranging direct with the Studio representative if you want them. That is entirely up to you!

Appointments may be made by calling No. 6, the Gorman Progress.

## King Theatre To Close December 14

This has been a hard decision, but one we are forced to make. So wit hthe showing of THE RESTLESS BREED, Saturday, December 14th, we are closing the King Theatre. We cannot operate with present attendance.

This closing is indefinite, but we are sure that if conditions ever warrant, the theatre will reopen.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our many friends who have supported the theatre in the nine years we have operated it. Many of you have been constant and loyal patrons, others have used our screen in advertising, our association with you has been most pleasant, and we will always cherish your friendship. That alone has made our efforts worthwhile.

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## Cager Teams Enter De Leon Tourney

The Panthers and Pantherettes are playing in the De Leon Tournament this weekend. The girls play their first game tonight, Thursday, at 8:15 against Pottsville girls.

The Panthers lost to Castleberry High of Ft Worth on Wednesday night by a score of 50-23 in the De Leon Tourney. Castleberry is favored to win the tourney. Gorman will play the loser of the Comanche-Ranger game Friday at 9:00 p. m. in the consolation bracket.

Last Friday night at Eastland, the Pantherettes won 45-26, and the Panthers lost 41-20. Annke Kate Blair hit 20 points and Julia Beth Skaggs 14 for the girls. Johnny Rodgers was high for the boys with 9 points.

On Tuesday night at Dublin, netted 18 and Julia Skaggs 12 for the Panthers lost 47-23. Blair netted 18 and Julia Skaggs 12 for the girls, while Rodgers was high with 9 points for the Panthers. Sandra West was outstanding at guard for the Pantherettes.

## CUBS WIN OVER GRANBURY

The Cubs won their opening district game of the basketball season on Monday night here by 28-23 over Granbury. Larry Rodgers sunk 16 points to lead the Cubs to victory.

The grade school girls team lost to the Granbury team, 28-9. Both grade school teams play at De Leon Monday afternoon in district games.



### Fifty Years Later; She Wouldn't Trade Him

Editor's Note: Received the following newspaper clipping from Alex Phillips. The Moates still subscribe to the Progress, but am almost tempted not to send them a paper this week because they didn't send us this write up. Thanks Alex for remembering us.

Houston Press - 12-6-57  
A half century of married bliss - that's what Mr. and Mrs. William Moates will be celebrating Dec. 14 at the Oaklawn Presbyterian Church.

"He swept me off my feet. I had to marry him to get rid of him. Just think, I was getting him for 50 years and didn't know it," said Mrs. Moates with a chuckle.

#### Give and Take

"If there's a secret to a long married life, I don't know the answer to it. Its all a give and take proposition."

The Moates' romance began in the spring of 1907 in San Saba County when Mr. Moates came to town with a traveling music teacher. Fifty years ago music teachers traveled and held music schools in the rural districts from

### WSC Enjoy Christmas Dinner Party Monday

Along about 6:30 on Monday evening, members of the Woman's Study Club started to a party. All dressed up in their best dresses; they juggled Christmas gifts, pots and pans, and time to time.

#### Goes To College

The musical men boarded at the Mrs. Moates' family. The following fall she went to Gorman and enrolled in Hankins Normal College and boarded with Mr. Moates' family.

It only took September and November for them to decide to get married.

#### Settled on Farm

"We settled on a farm and ranch in San Saba County and stayed there until 1939. By that time the children were grown and work was getting to be too much," Mrs. Moates said.

Mrs. Moates, who was 17½ when she married says she doesn't advise young people to marry that young nowadays.

"It takes a lot more to get by on now than it did then, it's better to wait a little while."

#### SEVENTH GRADE NEWS

Linda Harrison & Laneta Rodgers

We made Christmas cards in art last week. We are going to put several of the best cards, on the bulletin board. Last week we drew names for our Christmas party. The persons name each pupil got will get them a present for not more than \$1.00 or less than \$.50.

We had a Junior High basketball game last Monday night. The girls and boys both played. The boys won 25 to 18 and the girls lost 28 to 9 to Granbury.

purses - quite successfully, too, for soon they were greeted at the home of Mrs. Dorothy Hatcher by Santa on the lawn and a snow man on the door saying, "Hi, Come on in." And inside was a huge tree all "dressed up" in red, and the glorious smell of ham, hot rolls and all the "trimmings". It was the beginning of our annual Christmas Dinner Party when each member cooks and brings her specialty.

Mrs. Robert Haynes gave the prayer. Dinner was served buffet style, and members then seated themselves at bridge tables to eat. For some unknown reason, things got very quiet for a time. Credit for the successful dinner goes to each member, and Christmas Dinner was a real success. Then turns were taken with dishes and cup towels, accompanied by music from the organ.

All twenty active members of the club and one honorary member were present and answered roll call with a Bible quotation. Then Club President, Mrs. A. A. Brown, read the quotation from the year book, "The road to Bethlehem runs right thru The Homes of folk like me and you," Miller, in introducing the program "Hope of Christmas" by Mrs. Roy Byrd. Speaking entirely from memory, Mrs. Byrd first gave a charming little poem concerning Christmas preparations, the familiar and loved Christmas Story from the Bible, and followed with Walt Disney's "Christmas Carol" from this month's McCall's. So vividly did Mrs. Byrd draw word pictures that we could see in our minds eye the people and situations portrayed. And again we realized the real and true spirit of Christmas. Mrs. Brown led the entire group in singing "Joy to the World" as Mrs. O. R. Buchanan played the organ.

Then came the time we youngsters had been waiting for - the Christmas tree. The gifts were quickly passed out, and every one started "ohing and awing". Finally everyone took turns showing gifts. Seemed like everyone got just what they wanted.

Christmas is a wonderful season - really a time of peace and good will - a time of visiting friends and giving gifts - a special time in religious life.

May we the Woman's Study

### HULLS

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"How are peanuts grading?" a man inquired.

"Oh, from 65 to 70 - a few 75." "Somebody said, Stacy got 73 on his. C. Short 75 and R. Burns 71."

This is strictly hearsay, but there is a rumor out that a farmer in Comanche County got a grade of 78%. This would mean his crop had no splits, no damaged kernels and less than 1% foreign material. I said it was hearsay.

It was also estimated that only about ten percent of the peanut crop in Eastland County has been harvested.

Another major crop is gradually coming to the front in Eastland County - that is, pecans. We have three or four fine groves right on our doorsteps. D. J. Jobe, Charley Simmons, the Underwoods of Carbon and Chas. Underwood, Ben Freeman, on Ranger, Route One, near Cheaney is another large producer.

In meandering about the county I have not heard many comments about the misfiring of the earth satellite. Most people seem to think that the nit-wits in our government are in the minority and we still have a few people who know what they are doing. Sometimes I think our newshounds would do better by writing more news and fewer headlines.

A letter from Alex Phillips on Sunday contained the article on Mr. and Mrs. Moates which is being re-run in this issue. Also, Alex enclosed a card which was titled "How to cut strokes from your golf score." On the inside of the card were printed one word in large letters, 'CHEAT'.

Why Alex, how could you?

Club say to you who read of our fun and work - "A very happy Christmas season and a New Year full of the good things of life."

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### Rev. Robert Haynes Attends Seminar At Southwestern U.

GEORGETOWN, Dec. 11 - Attending the third annual Town and Country Seminar at Southwestern University December 9

from Gorman was Rev. Robert Haynes.

The theme of this one-day meeting for ministers and laymen was "Our People in the Local Church". Approximately 150 representatives from the Texas conference, the Southwest Texas and Central Texas conferences attended the conference.

#### TODAY'S THE DAY

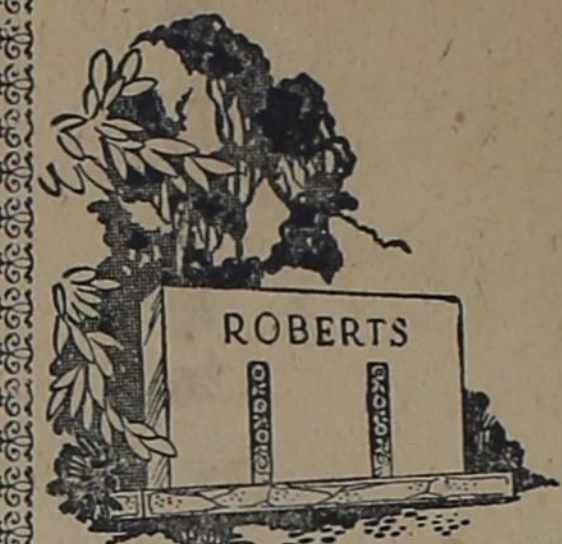
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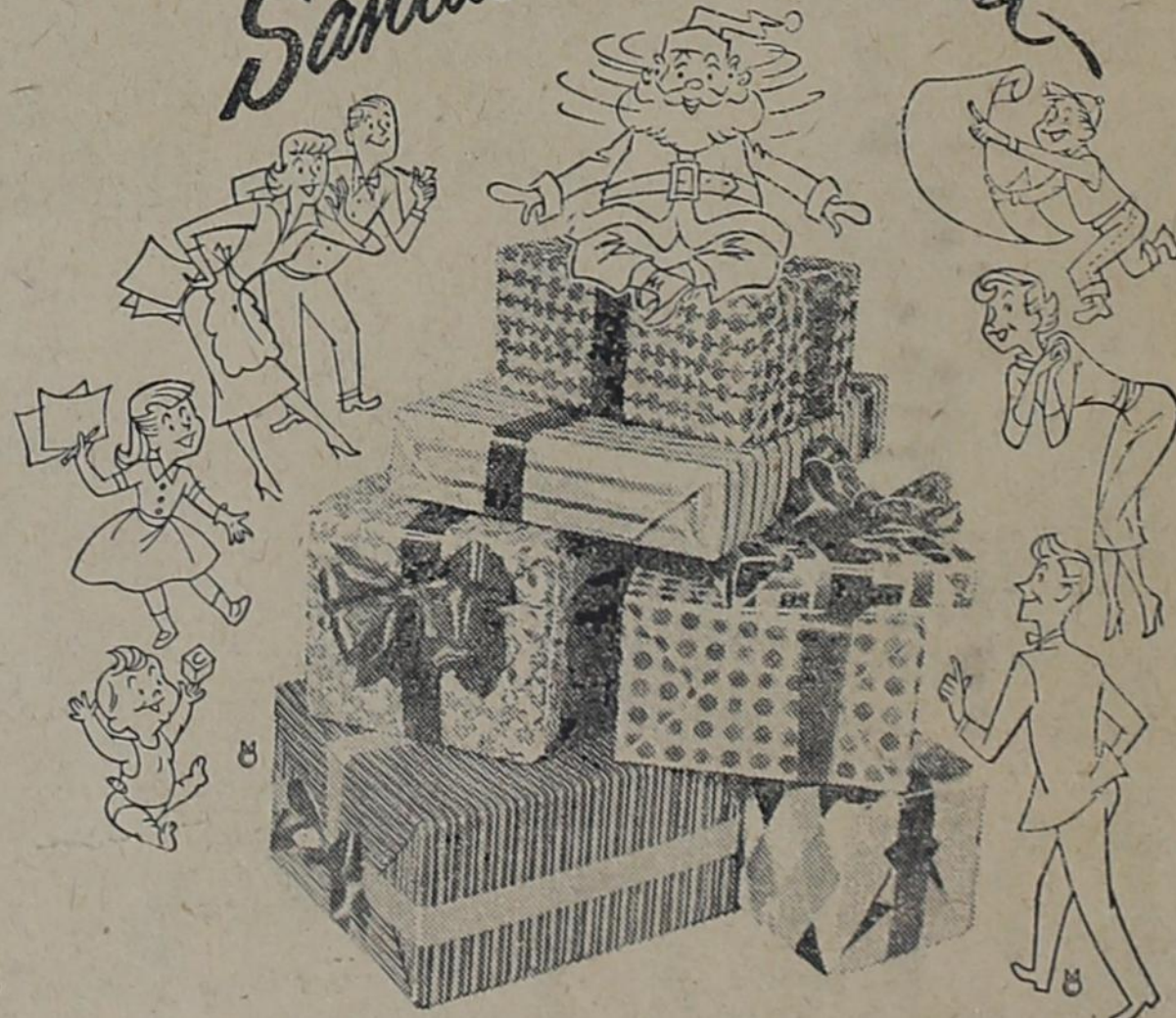
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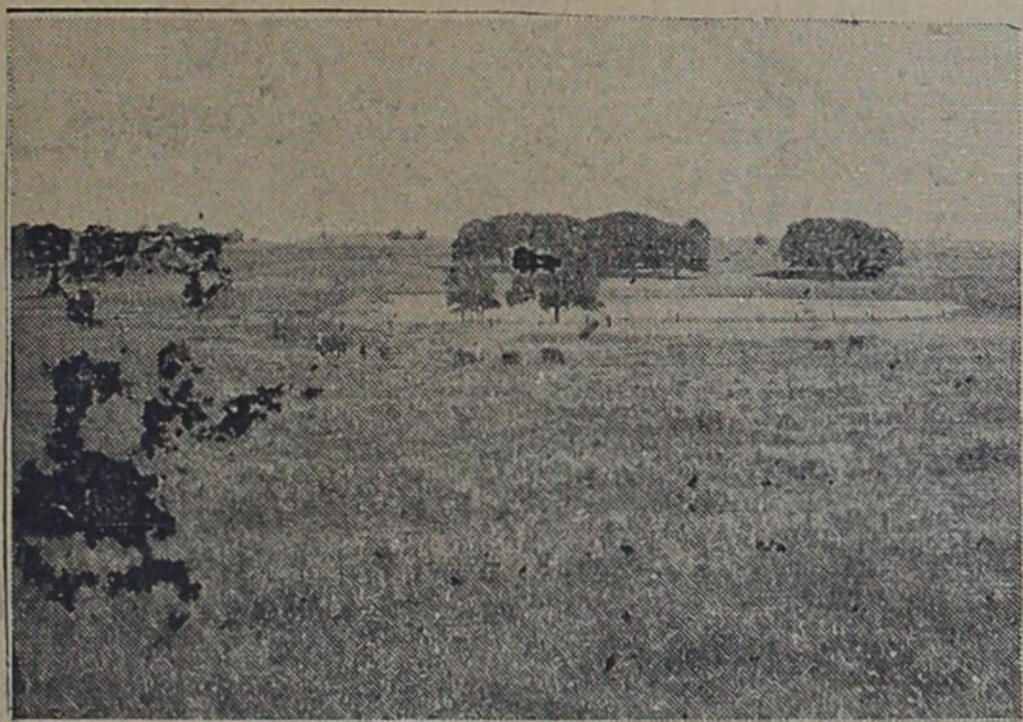
### Santa's in a Whirl



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# Sports

Jerry Clark

Two weeks ago I wrote a letter to Fred Sanner of the Abilene Reporter-News and nominated five Panthers for the Class B All-Area Football Teams. To be nam-

ed to this team is the highest honor that a Class B football player in this area can receive. I picked one boy for each position, and I believe that these five boys could make any team in this area. It must be remembered that Gorman played only 9 games this season, so some of the records that these boys made are all the more outstanding. All five of these boys were named to the All-District first team last week.

**EDDIE GREGG** - Halfback - 155 lbs., Senior 2 year letterman. Eddie made one of the best offensive records ever made in the history of Gorman High, scoring 84 points on 14 touchdowns, and making 1,004 yards rushing on 151 carries for an average of 6.64 yards per carry. He was 3rd in scoring for Class B schoolboys, and tied for 15th in scoring among all the players in the Abilene area. He averaged 111.5 yds per game rushing in the 9 games that Gorman played. He runs the 100 in 10.4 seconds, and his scoring runs were usually long ones. Against the Brownwood B team, he scored on runs of 26 and 31 yards; against Eastland, he dashed 55 yards to tally; and in the Moran game, he ran the opening kickoff back 87 yards to score, and scored on runs of 72 and 28 yards.

**BOBBY STANDRIDGE** - Guard - 165 lbs., Senior 3 year letterman, Co-Captain. Bobby was the leader of the tough Panther line. He was the top man on defense with 62 tackles, 27 assists, 3 recovered fumbles, and 3 intercepted passes. Although he played middle linebacker on defense, he moved all over the field and averaged almost 7 tackles per game. His blocking on offense was almost perfect, and he played almost every minute of every game. He has good speed, and was always a leader in downfield blocking. He was a first team All-District choice last year and had the same honor this season. He wants to play football in college.

**DAVID REVELS** - Tackle - 155 lbs., Junior 2 year letterman. Another mainstay in the line, David was a consistent performer. He was second on defense with 57 tackles, 21 assists, 3 recovered fumbles, and 1 blocked punt. Although he weighs only 155 pounds, he could block out tackles much larger than him-

self. He played every game on both offense and defense, and played tackle and end on defense. For his size, he was one of the best tackles in this area. His specialty was throwing opposing backs for losses.

**JERRY WARREN** - End - 160 lbs., Senior 3 year letterman. Jerry was third-ranking man on defense, and was just as good on offense. On defense he made 52 tackles, 18 assists, 3 pass interceptions, and 1 recovered fumble. He was a very versatile player, and played as an outside linebacker and sometimes as a halfback on defense. Since Gorman was mainly a rushing team, he didn't have a chance to display talent in pass catching, but his downfield blocking was very effective.

**JOHN BRINEGAR** - Fullback - 185 lbs., Sophomore 2 year letterman. This boy cannot be praised too much - he is just an excellent football player. He was just as good as a freshman last year. He ranked second in offense and scoring, with 730 yards on 157 trips up the middle for an average of 4.65 yards per try, and scored 61 points on 8 touchdowns and 13 extra points. Even the many Class AA and A teams (Gorman played only three Class B teams) could not stop his powerful drives up the middle, and he made 106 yards on 20 trips against Baird, the district champion. He did all the punting, and had 29 punts for an average of 16.7 yards. His punting average was lowered by four runbacks of 45, 70, 36, and 43 yards. Otherwise his average was over 20 yards per punt. He was a leader on defense also, making 25 tackles and 16 assists from his outside linebacker post. Against Baird he was the offensive and defensive leader, making 7 tackles and 4 assists, besides the 106 yards on offense. This boy has a great future as a football player.

## Desdemona News

By Ethel Keith

Mr. and Mrs. Bates Duke of Odessa spent the past weekend here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Duke.

Correction for last week: Mr. Emer Abernathy of Lorenzo who had been a patient in a Houston was in route home and spent the night, Friday, of last week with his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Abernathy. His daughter, Monte, was with him.

Mr. and Mrs. Brady Morris of Gorman spent the weekend with

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Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Ragland of Eastland were weekend visitors with the C. E. Raglands and Jim Grimshaws and attended church at First Baptist.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Dean Lewis are the proud parents of a new baby boy born last week

at the Blackwell Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobbie Jack Ragland visited with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ragland.

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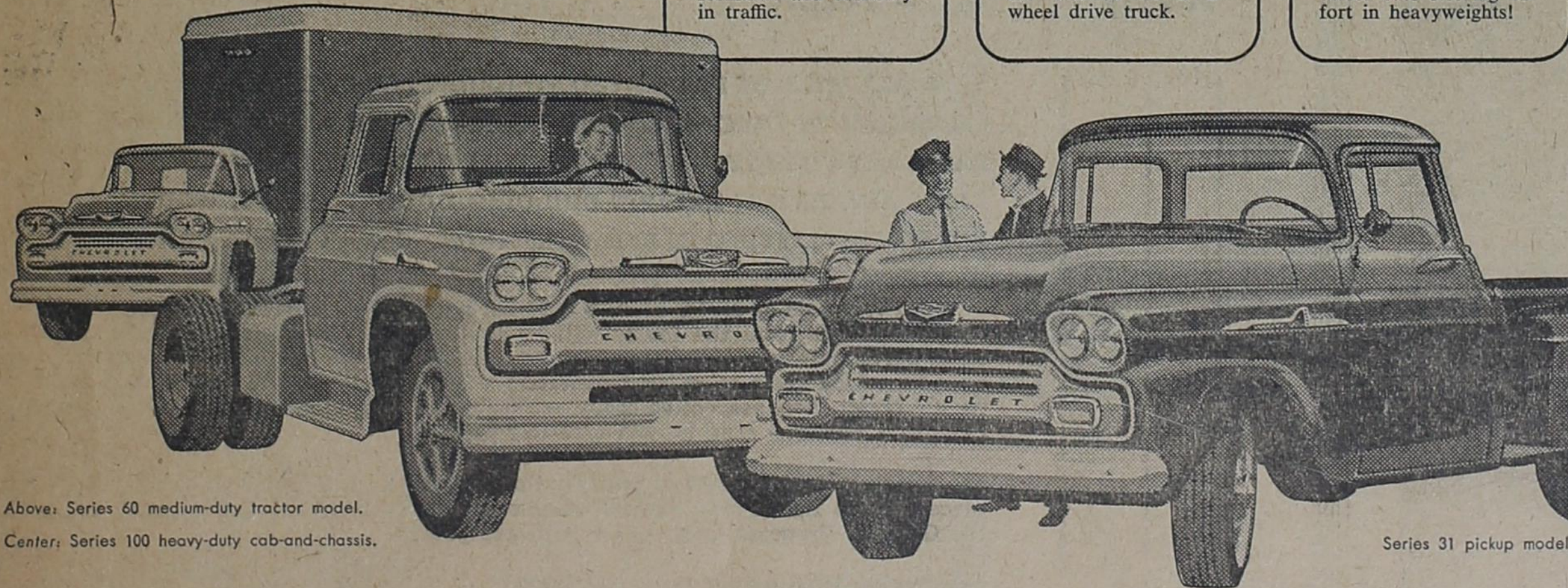
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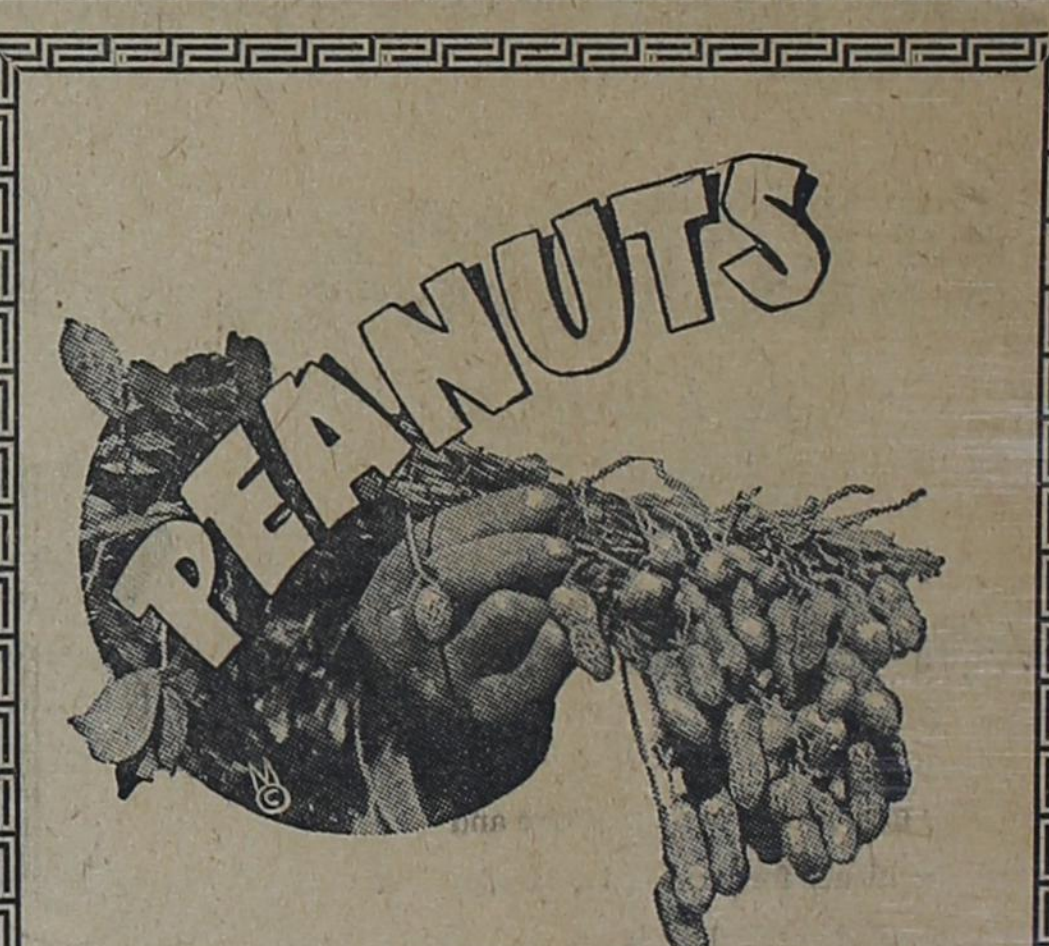
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**Highlights and Sidelights**  
From Our State Capitol  
By Vern Sanford.

AUSTIN, Tex — Pleas for Bascom Giles' release are mounting. Latest activity is a petition signed by 103 Austin citizens, filed with the State Board of Pardons and Paroles. Earle Ed Burkhalter, member of the Travis County Parole Board for the past five years, submitted the request. Burkhalter said that he is hopeful that Giles can be home for Christmas.

Giles is serving a 6-year sentence, in Huntsville, for his part in the veterans land scandals. He was eligible for parole last April. However, the Pardons Board contended that his release "would not meet with community acceptance." Burkhalter's petition is the result of that statement. Burkhalter said that he knew Giles only casually and had not consulted any of Giles' friends or relatives when he started the petition. He did say, however, that

he felt that Giles' wife and family were being punished beyond the intent of the law.

"Mr. Giles has taken his medicine without pursuing the generally accepted course of taking advantage of all technicalities of the law," Burkhalter commented. "He made restitution in civil procedures of all the money that was asked of him by the state's Attorney General."

In commenting on the petition for release, Rogan Giles, son of the former Land Commissioner, stated that the petition "confirms reports we have been receiving from all over the state, that Dad should be treated just like any one else and be paroled."

Three of the nine members of the corrections board, the policy-making group for the prison system, recently said that Giles should be paroled. They praised his spotless prison record and termed him an "excellent risk" to society. One member, Lewis Nordyke of Amarillo, described Giles as a "political prisoner."

Giles entered the Huntsville prison on Jan. 10, 1956. As a trusty he earns double time.

Therefore, without parole, he will be discharged Jan. 21, 1959. Also he has made several blood donations, each of which entitles him to a 30-day commutation.

In view of these earnings Giles already has completed the three-year sentence given him in his jury trial. The balance of his time is the result of a guilty plea that followed the jury trial.

Prison officials state that he has been a model prisoner.

**PEACE AND QUIET HERE** — Legislators have left. And Christmas decorations are going up in the State Capitol.

But Christmas in the Capitol, as elsewhere, may be a bit blighted this year by thoughts of upcoming bills.

Before adjourning, the lawmakers passed a \$325,000 appropriation to pay second session expenses. Four different special funds had to be tapped to scrape it up.

This, added to State Comptroller Robert S. Calvert's forecast of a \$20,000,000 deficit by 1959, heightened lawmakers' gloom and dissatisfaction at session's end. Some predicted they would have to come back in January to pass a tax bill.

Gov. Price Daniel said "no" to another session. Even if the comptroller's forecast proves correct, said Daniel, the 1959 session can take care of it. But the governor said he had real hopes that a rise in oil production would bring in more revenue and avoid the deficit.

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS QUESTIONED** — Seven major bills were passed in the two special sessions called by Governor Daniel this fall.

First session turned out laws on water planning, lobbyist control, crime study and practice before state agencies.

Second session turned out three laws aimed at strengthening local control of schools, particularly in

**OLIVER SPRINGS NEWS**

FLORENCE RICHARDSON

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Daniels and son spent the weekend in Breckenridge visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Miears and children of Austin visited the L. F. Miears over the weekend.

The James Miears family, L. F. Miears and the Jake Miears family visited in Weatherford Saturday night with the Roy Wilhunts. Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Miears met their new great granddaughter.

Mrs. Mahalie Boen of Sparkman, Arkansas and Mrs. Lillian Everett of Lubbock have been visiting their sister, Mrs. J. N. Watson.

Kenneth Watson, Woodrow Browning, and Freddie Rodgers were home for the weekend from college at Arlington.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Miears of Arlington visited the S. E. Miears Sunday.

regard to segregation. Last one to pass authorized county judges to require registration of organizations they feel are interfering with school operations.

In reference to the sessions Governor Daniel said he felt "very good" about them. In the first session they completed enactment of the 52-point program he submitted originally, said Daniel. "Old political pros still are fussing," he commented, but we've never had so much mail from the grass roots voicing approval.

Critics contend, however, that the new laws are an empty victory.

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**HISTORY OF KING THEATRE**

By Hubert Craddock

The King Theatre in Gorman was first known as the MARO. This name was a combination of the names of the first owners, M. E. Maddox and a Mr. Rowsey, the MA for Maddox and the RO for Rowsey. It was located on the lot across from Smith Bros. Chev. where the Gulf station now stands. This theatre was opened during the big Gorman boom, 1918 or '19. My first experience with the Maro was in the year of 1922 when as a small lad I helped to carry the films and ran the hand rewind machine to rewind the films after showing, getting them ready for the next show. The operator at that time was Herschel Reynolds, my cousin. Herschel taught me to operate the machines and from that time on we divided time until he quit to work at the Corner Drug then operated by Mr. Richardson who now operates a Drug Store in Eastland. In 1925 Fort Keith of Granbury bought the Maro Theatre, later remodeled it to some extent and renamed it The Strand. The films in those days were silent, of course, and many of you will remember the old piano that furnished the music. This was a wonderful instrument complete with pipes, drums, and by pressing buttons located along the front of the piano you could produce many wonderful sounds to fit the action on the screen. You could use just the piano, or the drums or the pipes, or all together. Press another button and you could hear the pound of horses feet during the big chase.

Movies in those days were an exciting event. If you couldn't read, there was always someone in the audience who was reading aloud, so there was no trouble

following the story, for, of course, being silent, all dialog was conveyed to the audience by way of sub-titles printed and shown on the screen. The action was very highly exaggerated to more easily convey the meaning to the patron, then the picture would go off and the sub-title would come on the screen to tell the audience what the actor was saying.

Along about 1926 or '27 J. W. Cockrell, owner and publisher of The Gorman Progress, leased the show from Mr. Keith and operated it for a couple of years. In those days the Progress looked somewhat like a movie magazine. Keith took the show back, and on Dec. 24, 1928 the building caught fire and was partially destroyed. It was just a big tin barnlike structure and caught from a grass fire. Gorman was then without a theatre for awhile. Keith contracted with Tip Ross to build the present building, and it was opened on July 2, 1929, with a capacity crowd. This was a proud moment in my life. Then one of the darkest, for when the show was almost ready to open, I discovered we had lost the last reel of the picture. After some delay the reel was located and the show completed. Later on in 1929 sound was added and talking pictures came to Gorman.

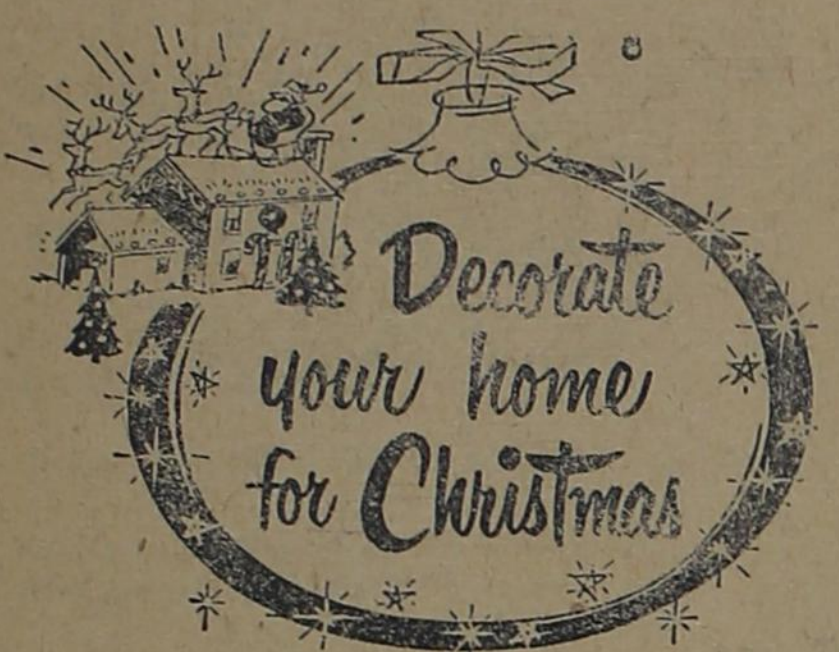
The first talkies were on large records and it was quite a task keeping the talking matched to the picture. Many amusing incidents resulted from this arrangement. Sometimes you might have the horse talking and the hero neighing. Then came the big depression. The theatre struggled along for a time and closed in 1931 or thereabouts. Several people tried at different times to operate it with varying results. But it was pretty much a hit or miss arrangement, with some questionable characters operating it some of the time. Most of them

just trying to promote a few bucks so they could move on to greener pasture.

In 1934 Mr. H. L. Capers leased the show. He, Mrs. Capers, Frank Gray, and myself running it. The theatre had been renamed the RITZ when it opened at the present stand and a film salesman suggested to Mr. Capers that he find a new name for, the salesman thought, many people would associate the old name with some of the odd characters who had tried to run it. At that time Roosevelt had just been elected and everyone was talking of the New Deal. So we all together came up with the name NEW DEAL for the theatre. I left Mr. Capers in 1937 moving to the Plains. During this time, the theatre was again remodeled and Mr. Capers again renewed it. He had decided that Roosevelt was going to stay in office and said he was following the trend of the times when he named it the KING. When Frank went into the service, I came back to work for Mr. Capers, and in 1945 the building was again remodeled, tearing out the old balcony, excavating and running a new concrete floor, making the building as it is now.

In August of 1945 Mr. Capers sold the theatre to George Hollifield and myself. Last year we added Cinemascope equipment and a large screen so we could bring patrons of the King the best pictures at all times.

Looking back and checking dates I find that my association with show business has covered some 35 years, certainly the most of my life. There have been good years and bad years, but most of them have been happy ones, for where else will you meet so many people, and bring entertainment to so many as in a movie theatre.



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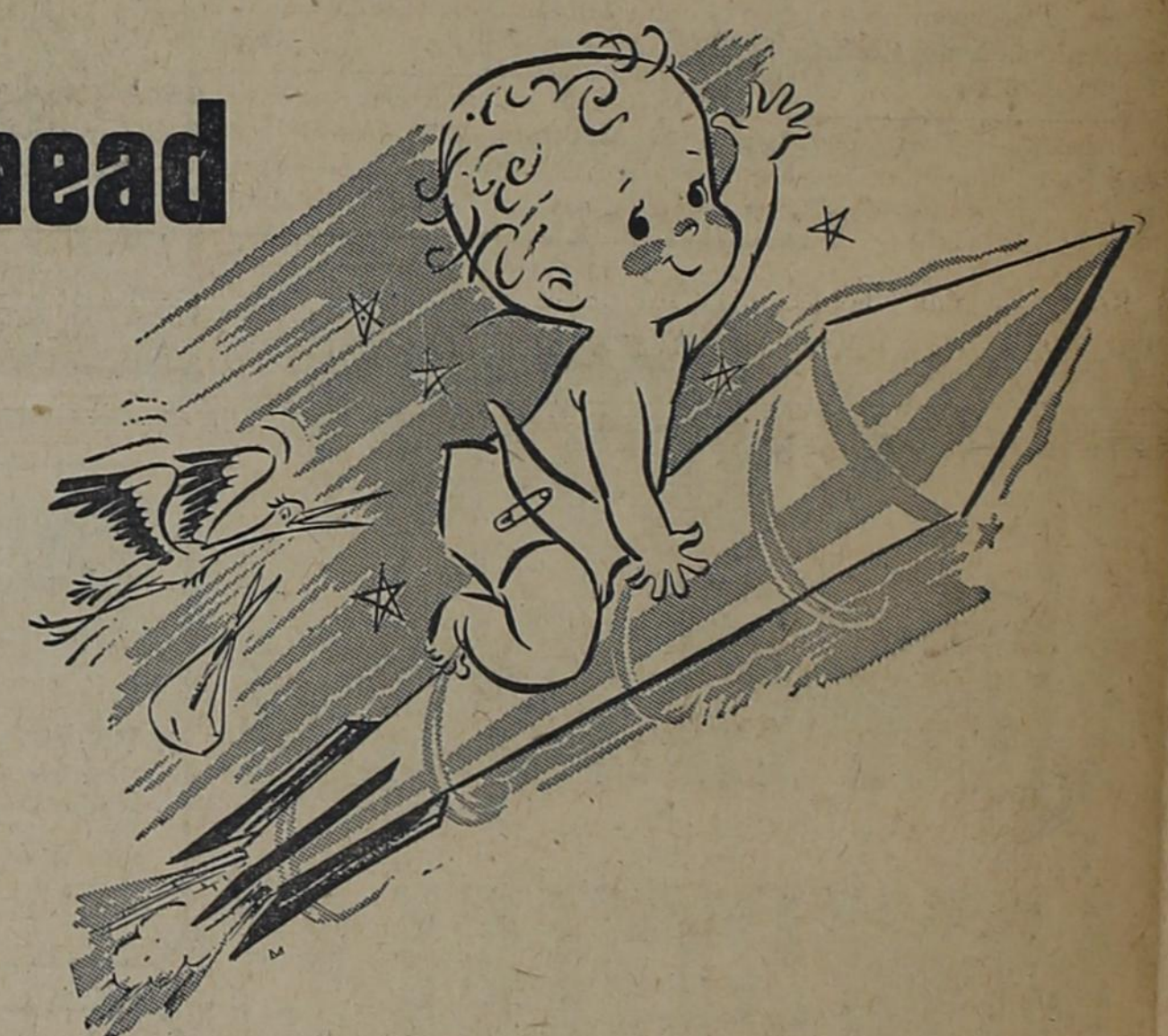


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• Thousands of copies of an 8 x 10 book will be distributed from this booth. Queens from the towns will be presented at the Rodeo. — Each town participating will have a permanent display in the booth PLUS two days in which their town representative will be in the booth to talk to people about their respective town — Plans are being made to give away Peanuts - Pecans - (and maybe a turkey or two)

• Ads containing names of participating towns and merchants are being placed in the Ranch and Farm Magazine of the Ft. Worth Star-Telegram the Gorman Progress - and the 8 x 10 prospectus

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**FOR SALE** — House in good condition on large lot, 100' front by 120' deep. Priced to sell. See Bruce Hirst or Call 45W.

**FOR SALE** or will rent for \$45 per month, 3 bedroom house, modern conveniences, on Roberts St. See Henry Collins. 9-19fn

**FOR SALE** — Two bedroom house, modern conveniences. Mrs. A. D. Eaker, 510 N. Post Oak, Dublin, Texas. 9-19fnc

**FOR SALE** — Our home on North Kent St. See Jessie Moore, Phone 188-J. 12-26p

**4-H NEWS**

We had a 4-H meeting December 6th at 10:30, on Monday. Mrs. Weathers demonstrated Christmas candies that we can give as Christmas gifts.

We want to thank everyone for their cooperation during our bake sale last Saturday. Especially the workers at Jay's Grocery. We had a very interesting meeting.

Edna Watson & Vicky Mauney

**FOR SALE** — Good, four room house. Nice cabinet, V drain roof, double wall and most of it sheet-rocked. Second house West of Oliver Springs Church. See Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Atchison or write Mrs. Zetta Mathis, R 9, Box 351, San Antonio. 12-26c

**FOR SALE** — Philco TV Antenna and Rotator. See T. S. Richberg, Rt. 1, Gorman. 12-19p

**BIDS REQUESTED**

The Gorman School Board offers for sale the old Band Building to be removed from school property upon sale. Sealed bids must be submitted to the School business office. The School Board reserves the right to accept or reject any bid. 12-26c

**FRESH PINE XMAS TREES** — Your selection in field. Balled and burlaped or cut off at ground. Crocker Nursery, Dublin. 19c

**FOR SALE** — Approximately 25 used 2X6's, 13 foot long. See Shorty Lawrence, Phone 62, at Gin. 12-19p

**WANTED** — Woman to do light housework and cooking. Call Mrs. B. F. Pendarvis, Gorman. 1

**FOR SALE** — Choice lot on Lake Leon with 3-room unfinished cabin and boat dock. Located on Walter Duncan place, south side of lake. Contact Jack Robinson, Phone 232, or D. R. Craig, Phone 668, Ranger. 12-26c

**FOR SALE** — Bedroom suite in good condition, \$35. Also living room suite almost new. See Mrs. Pearl Cross at E. F. Martin home. 12-19p

**FOR SALE** — Farmall tractor and equipment. Mrs. Henry Montgomery, Rt. 2, Gorman. 1

**LETTERS TO SANTA**

Dear Santa:  
I want an army pack, a football and a BB gun.  
Teddy Higginbottom

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want a tiny tears doll for Christmas. And I will write you a letter to thank you for it.  
Love,  
Deborah Smith

Dear Santa:  
I want an electric train.  
Bill Mears

Dear Santa:  
I want a baby about (21) in. long. I have been a pretty good girl.  
Love,  
Vicki Ann Frossard

Dear Santa Claus:  
I'm a little girl 4 years old, and have been a good girl all year, and I would like for you to bring me a big doll with clothes, a cash register, cook set, and anything else you could bring. And don't forget the other little boys and girls.  
I love you,  
Debbie Holliday  
610 Winkler St., Gorman

**M. Y. F. NEWS**

Carol Hatcher, Reporter

Kay Lynn Ramsey played the piano and Jimmy Brightwell led as we sang one song. Carolyn Haynes said the prayer after the song. In the business session Kay Lynn presided. We talked about the banquet and we hope many youth will go. It is Dec. 16 at Mineral Wells in the Crazy Hotel. The church has 30 tickets.

There were 25 youth at MYF and also 3 adults.

Larry Grice had the program "Going Steady". Although a few, not very many, but a few, of our toes were stepped on, it was a very good program.

Jimmy Brightwell led the MYF benediction.  
MYF at 6:00 p. m., Sunday.

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**Hospital Report**

The Blackwell Hospital of Gorman reported the following listed as patients on Tuesday Morning:  
201 - Vernon Cozart, Cisco  
202 - Mrs. J. M. Bufkin, Marlow, Okla.  
203 - Mrs. R. T. Perry, Gorman  
205 - Mrs. W. D. Phifer, C'manche  
206 - Mrs. C. C. Gilbert, Carbon  
210 - Mrs. Buddy Seborn, R. Star  
401 - Wesley Eads, De Leon (No Visitors)  
402 - W. J. Faught, Albany  
403 - Jo Nell Turner, Gorman  
404 - Mrs. J. C. LaGrone, Comanche  
405 - Mrs. Alma Cloud, Comanche  
406 - Mrs. Etha Pittman, Gorman  
407 - Ira Echols, Gorman  
409 - Dicky Norris, Carbon  
410 - Doc Hamilton, Gorman  
411 - Mrs. Della Brown, R. Star  
412 - Mrs. B. M. Davis, May  
414 - Jean Porter, Gorman  
415 - Mrs. Beulah Goates, De Leon  
416 - Mrs. Beulah Coan, Abilene  
417 - Ted Snider, Gorman  
418 - J. R. Taylor, Rising Star  
419 - L. N. Lewis, Alexander

**BIRTHS AT BLACKWELLS**

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry D. Wilson of Ft Worth are the proud parents of a baby girl, Donna Beth, who arrived on December 8th, weighing 6 pounds and 12 ounces.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Craker of Ft Worth are the proud parents of a baby boy, Kenneth Lynn, born on December 5, weighing 9 pounds and 4 ounces.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Killian of Rising Star are the proud parents of a baby boy, Wesley Bryan, born December 7, weighing 7 pounds and 15 ounces.

**OUT TO CHEAT STATISTICS**

"Give the gift of life for Christmas."

That is the slogan for holiday driving agreed upon by the Texas Safety Council and Governor Daniel. Objective is to prove wrong the usually-right statisticians who say that 115 Texans will die in traffic accidents this holiday season.

To make drivers safety conscious, an all-out program is being launched by the Governor's office, Department of Public Safety, Highway Department, school and military installations, and the Texas Safety Association.

Last December's traffic accidents took 252 lives, 108 of them during the holidays.

**APPOINTMENTS DUE** — Gov.

During the session several legis more 100 appointive jobs in state government filled by Christmas.

During the session several legislators publicly needed the governor about the pileup of vacancies in state boards, departments

**Announcements**

Gorman Chapter No. 443, Order of Eastern Star, will have an initiation Monday, Dec. 16th at 7:30 p. m.

A Christmas party will be enjoyed after the initiation. All

and agencies.

Among those to be named are members of the newly-created Water Development Board and one member of the new State Board of Water Engineers. members are urged to attend.

Hattie Lee Todd, Sec'y  
Theresa Baker, W. M.

I.O.O.F. and Rebekah Party will be Monday evening, Dec. 16th at 6:30 p. m. All Oddfellows and Rebekahs and their families are urged to attend. Wives of Oddfellows are to bring a pie or cake. Each one attending are to bring gifts as usual.

The Gorman Post Office will remain open all day Saturday until after the Christmas rush.

There will be a Singing Sunday afternoon at the Congregational Methodist Church. Come and help us to keep our singing going.

Mrs. Homer Richardson

There will be a regular meeting of the Oakland Cemetery Association at the club house on Thursday evening, tonight, Dec. 12th at 7:30. Everyone who is interested in this cemetery are urged to attend. The club house is located on the old Underwood place West of the cemetery.

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**BANK NOTES** . . . . . by Malcolm

**DID YOU KNOW...** CHOCOLATE WAS STANDARD MONEY FOR THE HIGHLY DEVELOPED AZTEC CIVILIZATION WHEN CORTESZ INVADED MEXICO IN 1520? COCOA BEANS SERVED AS SMALL CHANGE.

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**TRIBUTE TO A PHYSICIAN**  
By Nora Lee Smith

The physician deems not, he is born for self alone, but for society, mankind and for God. He thinks, studies, reads, and meditates; intelligence is cut in his features and stamped upon his brow. No effort or time is lost, for nothing is done rashly nor at random. He is a doer, not a dreamer; labors are well as he prays. His hand is stout as his heart, his arm is as strong as his head.

His mental force and power of skill are not inheritance of birth, nor a few years of spasmodic study, but the repetition of diligent effort on the individuals part, which makes it all the more beautiful. His talent and worth carries the lives of others along with him (perhaps unconsciously) but his example is contagious and truly demands imitation.

The physician's heart is touched by the illness of his patient. Through compassion, unremitting attention and ability he administers toward the speediest possible recovery. When summoned by call, he forgets all except that solemn oath he took back-yonder and rushes out post-haste, above and beyond his duty, regardless

of the welfare of his own health, in rain, severe heat, sunshine, or bitter cold.

Oftimes people enter his office bemoaning their gripes, groans and complaints, while at the same time, he is weary, and strength overtaxed from burdens of his own. However, he is always patient, kind, understanding and his lips wear a smile that never rubs off. He knows just what to say, how to say it, and when; therefore, he sends each one away from his door with a song in his heart and a bluebird on his shoulder.

The physician's mission is three-fold: He assists his patient physically, mentally, and morally. He cures the physical ills, has words of cheer for the down trodden, and bids those whom are overwhelmed by the billows and waves of sorrow to look up and hope anew.

My kind physician, wherever you are, Christmas is just around the corner. May God bless you and yours, with a home full of health, a house full of comfort, a purse full of wealth, a life full of blessings, and a heart full of cheer.

**BANK NOTES** . . . . . by Malcolm

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**BOB LOVE, USN, CHOSEN AS HOSPITAL CORPSMAN OF MONTH, PEARL HARBOR**

Robert B. Love, H.M.3, stationed in Pearl Harbor, has been chosen Hospital Corpsman of the Month and was to go on the Pearl Harbor Cruise Dec. 7th with the Governor of Hawaii and many high-ranking military officers to kick off the Pearl Harbor Memorial Fund Drive.

Bob and his wife live in Honolulu at 943-A Prospect. He is due to receive his discharge around June 9th after which he will enroll in North Texas State College at Denton.

**CARD OF THANKS**

I wish to take this means of expressing my appreciation to the doctors and nurses for their kind care and attention while I was in the hospital and also in my home. Also for the cards, gifts and flowers and food and for the visits and prayers for my recovery.

May Gods richest blessings be on every one of you.

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Wilson  
Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Bennett and family

**GORMAN FHA HOLD MONTHLY MEETING**

The Gorman FHA held their monthly meeting at the Home Ec Cottage Friday, Dec. 6th.

Carolyn Gilbert, president, presided. The opening ritual of The Future Homemakers of America was given by the group.

"Careers in the field of Home Economics", such as a dietitian, home demonstration agent, scientist, journalist, home economist, homemaking teacher, and homemaker were discussed by Mrs. Rainey.

The FHA Prayer Song was sung by the group with Nell Browning as song leader.

Refreshments, consisting of sandwiches, Fritos, olives, lime sherbert and gingerale were prepared and served by Dolores Foster, Myrna Brightwell, Lou Laminack, Tomasine Whitt, Kay Ann Craddock, and Carolyn Gilbert.

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Recent visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Maynard were their neices, Mrs. Myrtle Collier and Mrs. Ada Keeler of Austin, Mr. and Mrs. Clem Raspberry and daughters of Pumpkin Center, Mr. and Mrs. Truman Maynard and children of Eastland, Clyde Maynard, and Mrs. Vera Rich, both of Odessa.

M. F. Boston and E. E. Todd attended Grand Lodge on Wednesday 4th.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Clark and Jimmy visited in Anson on Sunday with the Jerry Hamricks.

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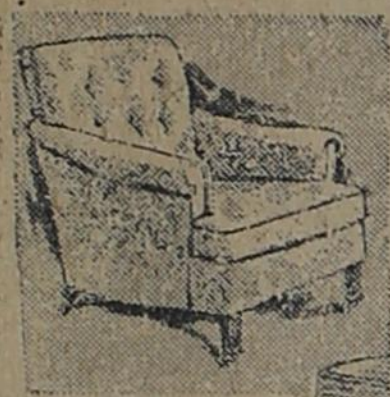
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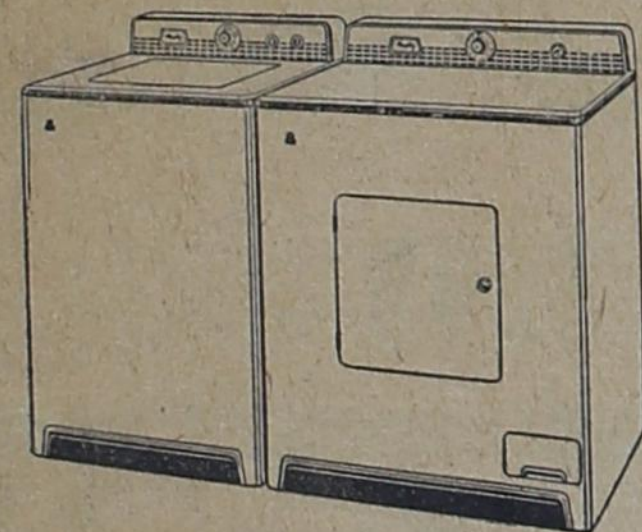
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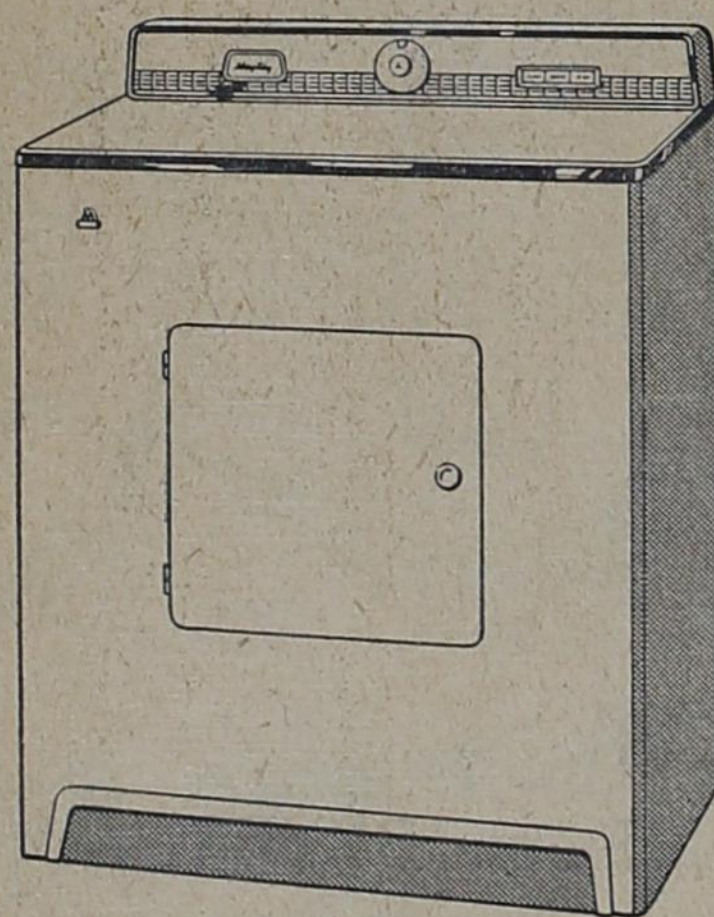
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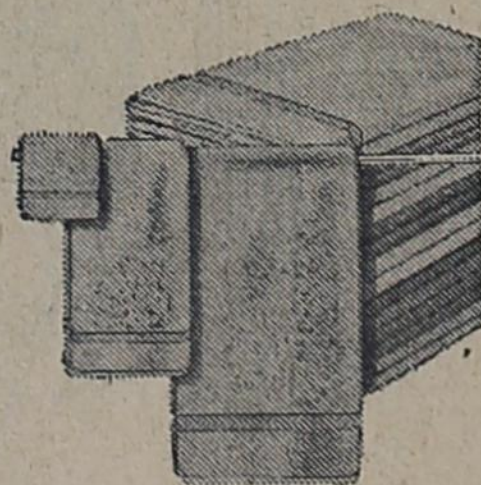
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