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## HULLS

By Kernel Gene Baker, aPe

Returning home from a business trip Monday I learned that Mrs. Florence Richardson's services would be held Tuesday.

Why do we take a person like Florence for granted? How can words adequately express appreciation for the friendship and work done in our community by Florence?

Faithful, dependable, understanding — just words — but so descriptive of her character.

It is always difficult to find enough local news to fill the pages of a newspaper but we knew that we could always depend on Florence Richardson having the Oliver Springs News in on time.

"Whom the Gods love die young no matter how long they live." — Hubbard.

## OLIVER SPRINGS NEWS

Mrs. Florence Richardson has gone for an eternal visit with God.

## Entries in Pet Parade Are Now Being Taken

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Seaton are chairmen for the Gorman Day Centennial Pet Parade to be held May 5th celebrating the Eastland County Centennial year, and urge all those who wish to enter your pet in the parade to contact them immediately.

You should be making plans now for the costumes or however you wish to present your pet in the parade.

Mr. and Mrs. Seaton plan to make this event one of the outstanding events of the May 5th celebration.

Ribbons will be presented to the winners.



## MELVA COLLINS ELECTED "LITTLE J" AT KERMIT

The Kermit High School student body elected six varsity cheerleaders and "Little J" Wednesday, March 14th, for the 1973-74 school year. "Little J" is Melva Collins, a senior, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Collins.

"Little J" is the Yellow Jackets mascot and promoter of school spirit. "Little J" must be a senior and a girl in good standing in her school grades and activities.

Melva has attended Kermit Schools for four years and is very active in school and church. She has been taking distributive education this year and is employed by Tri-Real Estate.

Melva's grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Collins and Mr. and Mrs. John West, all of Gorman.

## Charlie Garrett To Retire As Superintendent

At the called Board meeting of the Gorman Independent School District on Monday, March 26, Mr. C. L. Garrett asked the board not to consider the extension of his contract which runs through June 30, 1974. After thirty-seven years in education with thirty-one of them in the field of administration, Mr. Garrett announced that he would be retiring not later than July 15th of this year.

During these years he spent seven and one-half years at Flatwood with two and one-half of these as principal. From Flatwood, he went to Carbon and spent eight and one-half years as high school principal. From Carbon he went to Ranger as a classroom teacher, but after one year he became principal of the Junior High School. After one and one-half years in this position he was elected as High School Principal and served there for ten and one-half years. Mr. Garrett came to Gorman in July of 1965 and has served as superintendent for eight years.

Mr. Garrett states that he has enjoyed his career as an educator and especially the field of administration. He realizes that he will miss the classroom and working with the public schools, but states that he is looking forward to retirement. The Garretts plan at least at the present time, to remain in Gorman in their present location.

Mr. Garrett said, "I have enjoyed my eight years in Gorman and have made a host of friends here. I intend to be a part of the community and community affairs. Gorman has been good to me and my family. I would like to thank all who have helped to make my stay here a pleasant one. I would especially like to thank my wife for her support and understanding and encouragement when it was needed. I just say thanks to all of my many friends in Gorman for allowing me to be a part of your community."

Mr. Garrett also states that he would like to express his thanks to the members of the present board and to all who have served on the board while he has been in Gorman. He states that he has enjoyed working with men who have enough interest in the school to be willing to serve on the board.

He concluded by saying, "May I again just say thank you."

At the called meeting of the board on Monday night, among other business, the board took the following action in reference to personnel:

Contracts for Mr. Bettis and Mr. Patterson run through the 1973-74 school year and were not extended at this time. Teachers who had contracts extended for the 1973-74 school year were Kenneth Good, Joe Ed Baze, Mrs. Glover, Bo Caraway, Miss Ragan, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Patterson, Mr. Fuller, Mrs. Higginbottom, Mrs. Good, Mrs. Burleson, and Mrs. Bolt for Title I, provided there is a Title I Program. Mr. Garrett, Mr. O'Neal, and Mrs. Wright are retiring from the system at the close of this year.

Other personnel elected back to their present positions were Mr. Harrison, Mr. Snider, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Rankin, Mrs. Scitern, Mrs. Grady, and Mrs. Turner.

### CORRECTION

Munn Cleaners was inadvertently omitted from the list of Gorman merchants who contributed to the Eastland County Livestock Show Fund.

The merchants of Gorman support this fund each year and are to be commended for participating in this very worthwhile endeavor for our youth.

## LAST RITES ETHEL RIGGS ON TUESDAY

Mrs. Ethel Gertrude Riggs, 87, of Desdemona died at 6:45 p. m. Sunday, March 25, 1973 in a De Leon nursing home after a long illness.

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Tuesday in Nabors Memorial Chapel in De Leon. Burial was in Howard Cemetery near Desdemona.

Mrs. Riggs was born May 26, 1884, in Mena, Ark. She had lived in Comanche County for a number of years. She married Newton Edney Riggs Dec. 21, 1919. He died in 1961. Two infants also preceded her in death.

She was a member of the Bible Baptist Church in Desdemona.

Survivors are one son, James of Desdemona; four daughters, Mrs. Lora Sultreimer of Holly, Mrs. Ruby Hathaway of Albuquerque, N. M., and Mrs. Almarie Fox and Mrs. Hazel Koonce, both of Desdemona; one brother, Ed Brown of Lubbock; one sister, Mrs. Pearl Lawrence of Moore, Okla.; 13 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

## Band Receives Fine Ratings At UIL Contest

The Gorman Composite Band, under the direction of Russell Fuller, received a Division II rating in playing and Division II in site reading at the Region Interscholastic League Contest held Saturday in Brownwood.

The record set by the band Saturday was the best rating a Gorman band has ever received in contest. The Division II rating is considered excellent and the Gorman Band received the highest rating of any B band in the regional contest, and one of the best B ratings in the State.

The band has made tremendous progress this year and we are all proud of the honor and rating the band has received.

## Mrs. J. Pittman Buried Saturday at Eastland

Mrs. J. H. (Leamon Mae) Pittman, 79, of Eastland, died at 3:05 a. m. Saturday, March 24, 1973 in Eastland Memorial Hospital after a 40-day illness.

Funeral services were held at 3 p. m. Sunday in Arrington Funeral Chapel in Eastland with Rev. Joe O'Neal, pastor of the Kokomo Baptist Church, officiating, assisted by the Rev. Haston Brewer, pastor of First Baptist Church in Eastland. Burial was in Eastland Cemetery.

Mrs. Pittman was born April 10, 1893 in Garner, Ark. She married J. H. Pittman Dec. 22, 1914, in Eastland. She was a member of Bethel Baptist Church in Eastland. Survivors are her husband, J. H.; two sons, J. D. and J. L., both of Eastland; one brother, Don Boatright of Carbon; three grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

### LOOK WHO'S NEW

Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Grice proudly announce the arrival of their daughter, Julie D'Ann born at 11:30 a. m. March 16 in the Eastland Memorial Hospital. She weighed 6 pounds and 2 ounces and was 19 inches tall.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Brown and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Elroy Smith all of Gorman.

Great-grandmothers are Mrs. J. C. Timmons and Mrs. Dora Grice.

## City Commission Election To Be Held on Tuesday

Three candidates have filed for the three places to be filled in the City Election to be held on Tuesday, April 3rd in the Fire Hall.

Polls will open at 8:00 a. m. and close at 7:00 p. m. with Odie Brightwell serving as election judge, and Dorothy Hatcher, alternate judge.

Terms of Commissioners Arlon E. Smith, Place 4, and George Simmons, Place 3, expire in April. Both were appointed to fill the unexpired terms of Mrs. Jo Duran and Ray Hughes. George Simmons has filed for election to Place 3 on the ballot and Arlon Smith has filed for the one year term of the unexpired term of Ray Hughes. Term of Commissioner Place 1, Rodney Stephens, also expires. He is not seeking re-election. E. E. Todd is seeking Place I on the City Commission.

Terms of Place 1 and Place 3 will be for two years.

## Ist Pentecostal Sets Fellowship Meet March 30

The First Pentecostal Church of Gorman will hold a fellowship meeting Friday, March 30th at 7:30 p. m.

A. B. Hunt, pastor, and the congregation extend a cordial welcome to everyone to attend this meeting.

## Comanche Co. Telephone Co. Receives Loan

Congressman Omar Burleson announced Thursday that REA had announced approval of a \$1,533,000 loan to Comanche County Telephone Company, Inc., serving Comanche, Brown, Eastland, Erath and Mills Counties, to finance facilities to improve service for 652 existing subscribers and connect 172 additional subscribers.

### CARD OF THANKS

I have always said that the best people in the world live in and around Gorman, Texas. Also that I have the best customers in Lone Star Gas Land and now I know that this is true.

Lendon and I wish to express our thanks and appreciation for all the prayers, visits, calls, flowers, food, gifts and all that has been done for us since my surgery.

To Dr. Canut and Dr. Pino and the entire hospital and clinic staff, "Thanks a Million."

Lendon & Frankie Jo Shipman

### DANNY SNIDER AMONG TOP TARLETON STUDENTS

Danny Snider, freshman at Tarleton State College, has earned a grade point average of 3.30 as a full-time student during the fall semester 1972.

Danny is the son of Mrs. Pete Snider of Gorman and is a member of Texas Alpha Kappa Chapter of Alpha Chi, International Scholastic Honor Society.

### CARD OF THANKS

We would like to take this method of thanking our friends and relatives for the flowers, gifts, visits and cards and to Dr. Pino, Dr. Canut and the hospital staff for the good care given us during our stay in Blackwell Hospital.

Kathy and Randy Rainey

Mrs. V. L. Davis spent the past week in Chicago with her son, Mr. and Mrs. Thural Garner. She enjoyed seeing the many sights around the Windy City.

## SERVICES SET TODAY FOR E. G. RONE

E. G. Rone, 82, of Gorman, died in an Eastland nursing home Tuesday afternoon after a long illness.

Funeral services will be held at 2:30 p. m. Thursday in the Higginbotham Funeral Chapel in Gorman with Rev. Charles L. Whitton, pastor of First Church of God in Eastland, officiating. Burial will be in the Gorman Cemetery.

He was married to Mittie Hopper in 1909. She died in 1923 and he married Ida Bohannon in 1928. She preceded him in death in April, 1972. Mr. Rone was also preceded in death by two sons.

Mr. Rone was born July 1, 1890, and is survived by five sons, O. B. and Wayne of Gorman, Leland of Colorado, R. H. of Fort Worth, and Burgess of California; a daughter, Mrs. Otis Jordan of Eastland; and 11 grandchildren.

## Woman's Study Club Enjoy Book Review

After each and every gathering of the Woman's Study Club, there is the feeling that it was just the best one yet, and thus it was after the last Monday evening meeting in the home of Mrs. Claude Fuller. Guests, Mmes. Glenn Jordan, Bill Davis, Bob Green, and Miss Sheryl Arnold, were welcomed by President, Mrs. Dick Foster, as she called the group to order and stated that business would follow the program.

Mrs. Corky Brown introduced the program with an M. F. Tupper quote, "A good book is the best of friends, the same today and forever." Mrs. Bob Green reviewed the book, "An Episode of Sparrows" written by Rumer Gooden—the story of a neighborhood and the intertwining of the lives of those whose paths crossed. It was a heart-warming story written in a delightful style. But the real charm of "An Episode of Sparrows" was the ability of Mrs. Green to portray so vividly the scenes, the people, describe their behaviour and the resultant reactions. From time to time (as often as conscience permits for it is an enormous lot of work for her), the club prevails on Mrs. Green's good nature and asks for another book review. She has done several, and each time it has been the hi-lite of the year's programs.

Business was quite varied. Additional plans were made for Centennial Day and committees appointed to plan the club's participation. Also, preliminary plans for the Peanut Princess Pageant were made, and first steps toward the summer event were taken.

On April 7, the club will sponsor an all day invitational women's volleyball tournament. It is anticipated that some twelve area teams will compete for the prized winner's trophies. Plans were also made for operation of an all-day concession stand. Play will begin at 9:00 a. m. and continue non-stop throughout the day. Spectators are welcome.

Just planning so many activities had appetites ready when Mrs. Fuller announced refreshment time. The table was loaded with all kinds of beautiful food from dips to desserts. Mrs. Fuller knows club appetites and had prepared accordingly—stacks of tuna sandwiches, dips and chips, olives, pickles, nuts, etc., pound cake, and cherry tarts with whipped topping. And assorted cold drinks and coffee. And after second helpings, ah, yes, this just may well be the best meeting yet.



SHIPPING OUT — Bill Parr making his last run on Rural Route Two before transferring to Cross Plains where he will take over a route in that area.

## Rural Routes Consolidated Here

Beginning March 31, 1973, Rural Route 2 will consolidate with Routes 1 and 3. Generally, patrons north and northwest will be on Rural Route 3 and those West and South will be on Rural Route 1. There will be a time change when the carrier will arrive at old Route 2 boxes (approximately 2 or 3 hours later than present, depending on distance).

## Brother of R. M. Higginbottom Buried Saturday

Johnnie Higginbottom, 51, of Galveston and formerly of De Leon, died on Thursday, March 22, 1973 in Galveston. Graveside services were at 2 p. m. Saturday at the De Leon Cemetery.

The Rev. Billy C. Spencer, pastor of First Baptist Church of De Leon, officiated. Higginbottom Funeral Home in De Leon handled arrangements. He was born July 9, 1921, in Comanche County. He was a member of the Liberty Baptist Church in Rucker.

He was a member of the Masons and the Elks. Survivors are his wife, Lee; one son, David Higginbottom of Galveston; two daughters, Elizabeth Higginbottom and Susan Higginbottom, both of Galveston; two brothers, R. M. Higginbottom of De Leon and Hampton Higginbottom of Phoenix, Arizona.

### NOTE OF APPRECIATION

The members of the Carbon 4-H Club and FFA Chapter would like to say "Thank You" to the following businessmen for their help in buying animals at the sale Saturday night, March 17th:

Eastland: Higginbotham-Bartlett Co., Nolan De Ford, Perkins Implement, Eastland C of C, Eastland Drug, Perry Bros., Fullen Motor Co., NAPA, Bray's Dept. Store, Texas Electric, Dairy Queen, and D&D Cattle Co.

Gorman: Nutri-rich, Texas Electric, Gorman Peanuts, and Higginbothams. Carbon: Carbon Farm Supply, Morgan Skelly, Carbon Trading Co., and Campbell Texaco.

John E. Rodgers

### MRS. MYRTLE HILL HONORED ON 84TH BIRTHDAY MARCH 24TH

Mrs. Myrtle Hill was honored on her 84th birthday Saturday, March 24th with a dinner in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Bonnie Cox, who also baked and decorated the birthday cake.

Also present for the celebration was another daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Taylor, and grandson, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Taylor, and friends, Mrs. Viola Rodgers and Mrs. Albert Hendricks, who came by to wish her happy birthday and presented her a lovely gift.

## FLORENCE RICHARDSON LAID TO REST

Mrs. Florence Richardson, 62, of Gorman, was dead on arrival at Blackwell Hospital at 4:15 p. m. Sunday, March 25, 1973, after suffering an apparent heart attack.

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Tuesday in the First Baptist Church of Gorman, with Rev. Joe O'Neal, pastor of the Kokomo Baptist Church, officiating, assisted by the Rev. Huron Polnac, pastor of Gorman First Baptist Church. Burial was in the Oaklawn Cemetery under the direction of Higginbotham Funeral Home.

Born Dec. 25, 1909, in Madga, La., she moved to Comanche County in 1915. She married Homer Richardson Jan. 17, 1929, in Carbon.

She was a member of the Baptist Church and a long-time correspondent of the Gorman Progress, reporting the Oliver Springs News.

Survivors are her husband; five sisters, Mrs. Hunnell Watson, Mrs. Harvey O'Neal, Mrs. Doris Bryan, Mrs. Ola First, all of Gorman, and Mrs. Lula Goodin of Graham; and her step-mother, Mrs. Norman Bond of Gorman.

Pallbearers were Harley Rawls, Dale Gilmore, Truitt Coffman, Willie Burl Moore, Lonnie Frasier, and W. L. Wolfenbarger.

## Professional Wrestling Slated Here Tuesday

The Gorman Senior Class is sponsoring a professional wrestling event on Tuesday, April 3rd at 8:00 p. m. in the Gorman gym.

This wrestling card will feature professional wrestlers from Abilene, and will include a midget wrestling match. Admission will be \$1.00 for students, \$2.00 for adults, and \$3.00 ringside.

The wrestling event sponsored last year by the seniors was so popular that they decided to hold the event again this year.

### BILL SELF CONTINUES TO IMPROVE DAILY

Billy Self, who has been confined to Hendrick Memorial Hospital since Jan't in following an auto accident, has shown several improvements in the 10 days, and continues to improve daily.

He is taking several walks now and is getting better.

## MEMS OF INTEREST

**ELANCO SUPPER** — The ladies of the Kokomo Community Club will prepare and serve the food for the supper compliments of Brown's Feed Store and the Elanco Company on Friday, March 30 in the Gorman School gym. Serving will begin at 7 p. m. Tickets for the adults are free and may be obtained from any member of the Kokomo Club. There will be no children's tickets. Get your tickets early.

**Gorman Duplicate Bridge Club** meets each Monday at 7:30 p. m. at the Fire Hall.

**The City Commission** will meet Wednesday, April 6 at 4:00 p. m.

**The Gorman Volunteer Fire Department** will meet Monday, April 2nd.

**The Lions Club** will meet Tuesday, April 3rd at the Band Hall.

### S/SGT. RONALD HOOVER RECEIVES PROMOTION

Staff Sergeant Ronald Hoover of Granite City, Illinois has been notified of promotion to Technical Sergeant, while serving with the U. S. Air Force at Elmendorf AFB, Anchorage, Alaska.

The 12 year veteran of the USAF has been assigned to Elmendorf for three years. Accompanying Sgt. Hoover are his wife, the other Margaret Porter, and daughter, Renee, age 6, and Aimee, age 3.

Mrs. Hoover is the daughter of Mrs. Hoover of Gorman.

The Hoovers are expected to be assigned to Keesler AFB, Mississippi where Sgt. Hoover will attend an eight month school in computer maintenance. They will be having Anchorage in August for a tour of several states and a visit to Gorman before reporting to their new assignment.

Previously Sgt. Hoover has seen overseas duty in Vietnam, Thailand, Japan, Okinawa, England, Germany, Spain, Turkey, Taiwan and Greenland, among other localities throughout the world.

# WANT-ADS

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New renovated, feted cotton, innerspring, choice of firmness, size and color. Satisfaction guaranteed. Made in San Angelo by Western Mattress Co. Free pick-up and delivery - Ph. 7345611, Gorman - 3-16fnc

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**FOR SALE: 120 A. 80 peanuts, 2 wheel moves, 5 wells & pumps, 3 br. home, \$600 A. - - - 300 A., 78 peanuts, love & coastal bermuda grass, irrigation system, good wells, home, \$410 A. good 6% loan - - - 2 - - 3 B Rhomes, corner lots, \$4,500 & \$4,000. We need 893-6666 De Leon. 12-21fnc your listings. Cogburn Realty,**

**FOR SALE - Four bedroom, two bath brick home, carpeted, paneled throughout, completely remodeled, on paved streets, corner, city utilities. Billy Jay 734-5898. 2-15fnc**

**COASTAL SPRIGS - Sales and planting. Will deliver and plant. Charles Nicks, Desdemona, 758-2518. 5-3-29-p**

**PLANTS FOR SALE - Cabbage, tomato and peppers, also geraniums, petunias, hanging baskets, cannas and ararillis bulbs. Mrs. Calvin Brown, Gorman, Route 3, Tel. 734-5596.**

**WANTED - Man to do yard work. Call 734-5410.**

**FOR SALE - Fed steers. Call Keith Whitt, 734-2215. 1-25fnc**

**Air Conditioning, Heating and Refrigeration. Washer & Dryer Service. Bill Lamb, De Leon, 893-2510. 5-3-29c**

**FOR SALE - 1968 Ford Mustang, V-8, vinyl roof, auto, power steering, factory verar speakers and re-batter, good tires, new Cradome owner. Kay Ann mation For further info: 734-5410 Estelle Craddock, 5 p. m. 734-5311 after fnc**

**FOR SALE - Post Binders, Aotch Tape, Paper, Acco Fas Machine man Progress, 734'S. Gor-**

**FOR SALE - Expans-**

**FOR RENT - Small H-**

**WE NEED YOUR ACREAGE**  
Farms and Ranches. Buddy Coble Real Estate, 817-277-9916 Arlington, Texas. 4-4-15p

**USED SINGER SEWING MACHINE, zig zag, \$31.10, and we have portable or cabinet. We also clean and adjust all makes and models, Call 734-5410. 4-4-12p**

**WANTED - A year-around caretaker for Oakland Cemetery. Work to begin on the grounds April 1st. Call Junior Files, 734-5465. 2-3-29p**

**YES - We Insure Irrigation Equipment and Mobile Homes! And elderly drivers and low value dwellings. And the kind of Life Insurance which allows self-employed people to deduct the premiums for income tax purposes. Locke Insurance, De Leon. 3-4-5c**

**NEED**  
An extra key - made while you wait. Rankin Army-Navy Surplus. fnc.

**FOR SALE - 17 ft. chest deep freezer. 734-5452. 1tp**

## Spur Drill Team Tryouts at RJC

**RANGER - Tryouts for the Ranger Junior College Spurs Drill and Dance Team will be held April 14 from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. at the RJC Gymnasium, according to drill team instructor Lynn Bates.**

Twenty new members will be selected for next year's Spurs who will be performing at all RJC home sports events as well as at community and regional functions.

Scholarships in the amount of \$200 per year will be available for incoming Spur members, as will other financial assistance.

Mrs. Bates and her Spurs are presently visiting Big Country and area high schools and showing recruiting films of the Spurs' activities to interested senior girls.

The tryout is open to all senior girls, with or without previous experience.

For further information contact Mrs. Bates at 817-647-3234.

**FOR SALE - 12 ft. Tandem disc, 4 row cultivator, 2 Massey-Ferguson weedeers, 1 - 5 row John Deere bedder with marker, 1 - 3 ft. John Deere blade, 4-bottom Massey-Ferguson moleboard 14 inch, 9-shank John Deere chisel, double bar, 1 - 6 disc one way, 1 4 row planter, 1 feed grinder, 1 hog feeder. A. C. Underwood, Rt. 1, Ranger, Texas 647-3628. 3-5-12p**

**REPOSSESSED two piece Early American Living Room Suite, over 50 percent paid, like new condition. Take up payments of \$10 per month. Watkins Furniture Company, Stephenville, Texas. 1-3-29c -GP-**

**NOTICE TO BIDDERS**  
Notice is hereby given that bids will be opened at 10 a. m. on March 26, 1973 in the Eastland County Commissioners' Courtroom, Eastland, Texas for the purchase of a new Motor Grader. Bidders must take in trade a used Huber-Warco Motor Grader. Interested bidders may obtain specifications and inspect trade in by contacting the Eastland County Auditor, Eastland, Texas. Published by order of Eastland County Commissioners' Court. 2-3-22c

**FOR LEASE - 4.5 acre peanut allotment. Call 734-5402 after 5 p. m. 2-3-22p**

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Save 30-50%  
New or Renovated Baby or King Size GOODSON MATTRESS FACTORY & TRADING POST Phone 356-2136 Comanche, Texas

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## Report from Sen Lloyd Bentsen

**POSTAL INVESTIGATION RESULTS**

The General Accounting Office recently briefed me on the status of mail service in Texas.

I asked the GAO to study the problem last Fall, after receiving a large number of complaints about poor mail service and after conducting a preliminary test of my own.

Mail problems across the nation have been receiving a great deal of attention in the past several weeks. The Postmaster General has said candidly that service isn't what it should be. And the Senate Post Office Committee has begun an investigation.

And in light of the recent national revelations, it came as no surprise when the General Accounting Office reported that service in Texas has, indeed, deteriorated.

But the GAO probe did much more than simply confirm our suspicions. It told us in factual, statistical terms precisely how bad service has gotten in some areas of the State. It listed several reasons for the deterioration. And it made some recommended actions for change.

The investigation was pains taking thorough. It involved five months of work and included extensive interviews with hundreds of Texans, both inside and outside the Postal Service. The GAO also conducted test mailings and scoured the records of some 22 post offices in the State.

And the results, though not surprising, should prove helpful in any efforts to correct the problem.

**SERVICE REDUCED**  
It was determined, for example, that the number of mail collections, the number of mail deliveries and the availability of Saturday service have been substantially reduced since 1970.

The GAO also found that the Postal Service falls far short of its promises on delivery of mail within Texas and on mail going into and coming out of the State.

A GAO test mailing of 500

letters within Texas showed delivery up to standards only 88 percent of the time. This, by the way, is in contrast to postal service tests which claim satisfactory performance 95 percent of the time. The difference is in the testing methods used, and I am convinced that GAO methods provide far more realistic information than the methods used by the Postal Service.

After pinpointing the nature of declining mail service in Texas, the General Accounting Office also suggested several probable causes for the deterioration.

They pointed out that the amount of mail has increased much more than anticipated by the Postal Service and that the postal budget has been too inflexible to respond to the upsurge.

They noted that the morale of our postal workers is low, for a variety of reasons, one of the main ones being extensive, mandatory overtime caused by reductions in the number of employees. In three Texas postal centers last October overtime was up by almost 50 percent.

And another probable cause is the fact that too much mail is being processed in large urban centers rather than in smaller post offices down the line. One result of this is an increased reliance on mechanization that has led to a higher rate of error.

On the bright side, the General Accounting Office report-

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4318 Woodcock, San Antonio, Texas 78228

## Local FHA Girls Attend Area IV Meet in B'wood

The Area IV Future Homemakers of America meeting was held in Brownwood on March 16 and 17. The following people represented the Gorman Chapter of the FHA: Ruby Martin, Becki Wright, Kelly Stewart, Effie Turner,

Judy Webb, Vicki Harvey, Kerrie Jolley, Phala Jay, Mrs. Houston Jolley, and Katherine Ragan.

Ruby Martin acted as the chapter's voting delegate, and Becki Wright and Kelly Stewart sang in the choir.

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Ruby Martin acted as the chapter's voting delegate, and Becki Wright and Kelly Stewart sang in the choir.

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## DESDEMONA NEWS

By ETHEL KEITH

Attendance at the First Baptist Church was up this morning (Sunday), and quite a few visitors were present.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobbie Koonce and daughters were here visiting his mother, Mrs. Lorene Koonce, and attended church services.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Williams of Kermit have been here visiting their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Buckley and family, the past week and attended church services Sunday morning. They left Monday morning.

Cagie Keith of Longview and a sister, Mrs. Mattie Newton of De Leon, visited with their sister, Mr. and Mrs. Pug Guthery and Brenda, on Tuesday.

Word was received here that Mrs. Maltby is quite ill in the hospital at De Leon.

Mr. Ernest Key and sons are here to visit his mother, Mr. and Mrs. Shorty May.

Mr. and Mrs. Tim Creed and Holly were in Fort Worth on the weekend to visit his mother, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mearns.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Yoakum of Fort Worth visited her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Baker, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Norris of Carbon visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Allen over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Pug Guthery and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Baker visited Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Ewell Carr of Gorman.

Mrs. Ethel Riggs passed away Sunday following an extended illness. Mrs. Riggs was buried March 27th at the Howard Cemetery.

The Revival at the Church of Christ is now in progress. Try your best to attend.

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## THE GORDON SPOT

By DeMarquis Gordon  
County Agricultural Agent

We would like to take one more opportunity to say thanks for all those who helped to make the Annual Livestock Show a success. This includes about 300 individuals and businesses who purchased ads in the Stock Show Catalogue and purchased animals at the stock show sale.

Eastland County has one of the best county livestock shows in the state. We have it because the merchants are willing to support it and because we have a group of adults who are willing to give much time and labor necessary to conduct a livestock show.

Enough cannot be said for the men who are directors and officers of the Eastland County Livestock Raisers Association. Many of them take leave from their jobs to conduct the stock show. Others leave their farm work to help the boys and girls. This work includes more than three days of the show. They worked many evenings repairing the buildings, cleaning the show grounds, selling ads, assembling catalogues, mailing bills, contacting judges and setting up classes.

Bill Claborn, Superintendent of the Show, said one judge told him the Eastland County youth were the most polite and courteous group of exhibitors he had ever worked with.

So a big thank you to all who gave support, who worked and who exhibited in a manner that makes us all proud.

Another community peanut meeting has been planned by the Nimrod Neighbors Progressive Club. They planned the meeting to help peanut growers learn of the 1973 peanut production recommendations.

Dr. John Chapin, Extension Agronomist, Dr. Cliff Hoelscher, Extension Entomologist, and Dr. Chip Lee, Ex-

tension Plant Pathologist, will present a program on peanut recommendations. We hope all growers in the Cisco and Nimrod areas can attend. Growers from other areas are also invited.

Approximately 250 Texas swine producers and others interested in the dynamic, rapidly changing swine industry are expected to attend the 22nd. Annual Swine Short Course at the Ramada Inn, College Station, Texas on April 2-3. National and state authorities will discuss subjects pertaining to all phases of swine production.

Individuals from Eastland County who are interested in pork production should make plans now to attend this meeting and hear subjects discussed pertaining to modern production methods, nutrition, and the effect of the environment and its control on production. Those attending the meeting will have an opportunity to meet with the speakers between sessions to discuss specific production problems.

Proceedings of the short course will be available to those who attend at the close of the program on Tuesday.

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## KEEPING UP WITH FRIENDS

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Avery Yarbrough the weekend of March 14th were Mrs. Yarbrough's brother, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hickey of Arkansas, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Joe Smith and family of Irving, Arthur Ray Yarbrough of Stephenville, and Sgt. and Mrs. Neal Gurlin and children of Gorman.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Taylor of Belton visited from Thursday to Saturday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Taylor. Mrs. Billy Taylor and Mrs. Albert Taylor visited on Friday in Dublin with Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Bradley and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Bloyd, grandparents of Mrs. Billy Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Clark of Kyle spent the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bo Hood and D. R. Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Pierson of Twin City, Minn. visited Monday and Tuesday with the Ralph Duns of this city. The Piersons were enroute home after spending the winter months in McAllen.

T/Sgt. Neal Gurlin spent his spring vacation from Culver Stockton College in Canton, Mo., with his wife and family. He returned to college on Sunday.

Visitors Sunday with Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Hodges were their daughter, Mrs. Leslie Ettheton and Angie of Baird and friends, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Marshall of Hico, Mrs. R. C. Kennedy of Dublin, mother of Mrs. Hodges, is here for an extended visit, recuperating from a stay in the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Baker visited Sunday and Monday in Hurst with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Carter Hart and family.

Miss Mable Trammell of Breckenridge arrived Sunday for a several weeks visit with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Fairbetter. Visiting Sunday in the Fairbetter home was Mrs. Robert Chapman of Breckenridge.

Kay Ann Craddock of Plano spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. Estelle Craddock.

Mr. and Mrs. David Revels and family of Houston spent the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Revels and Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Pittman.

Mrs. Albert Taylor, Mrs. Bonnie Cox and Mrs. Myrtle Hill visited Sunday in Megargle with Mrs. Melvin Brown, a niece of Mrs. Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Garrett were in Austin on Thursday on business and attended the State Teachers Convention in Houston on Friday. While in Houston they visited with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Mack Nichols.

Terry Clark is visiting this week in Kyle and Comfort with his brothers, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Clark and Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Lynn Clark.

Weekend visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Chandler were Mr. and Mrs. Albert Graham and son, Dr. James Graham of Gainesville.

Holly Kinser and Ed Franz of Dallas spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kinser. Michele Clement of Dallas accompanied them to Gorman for a visit with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Clement and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Porter.

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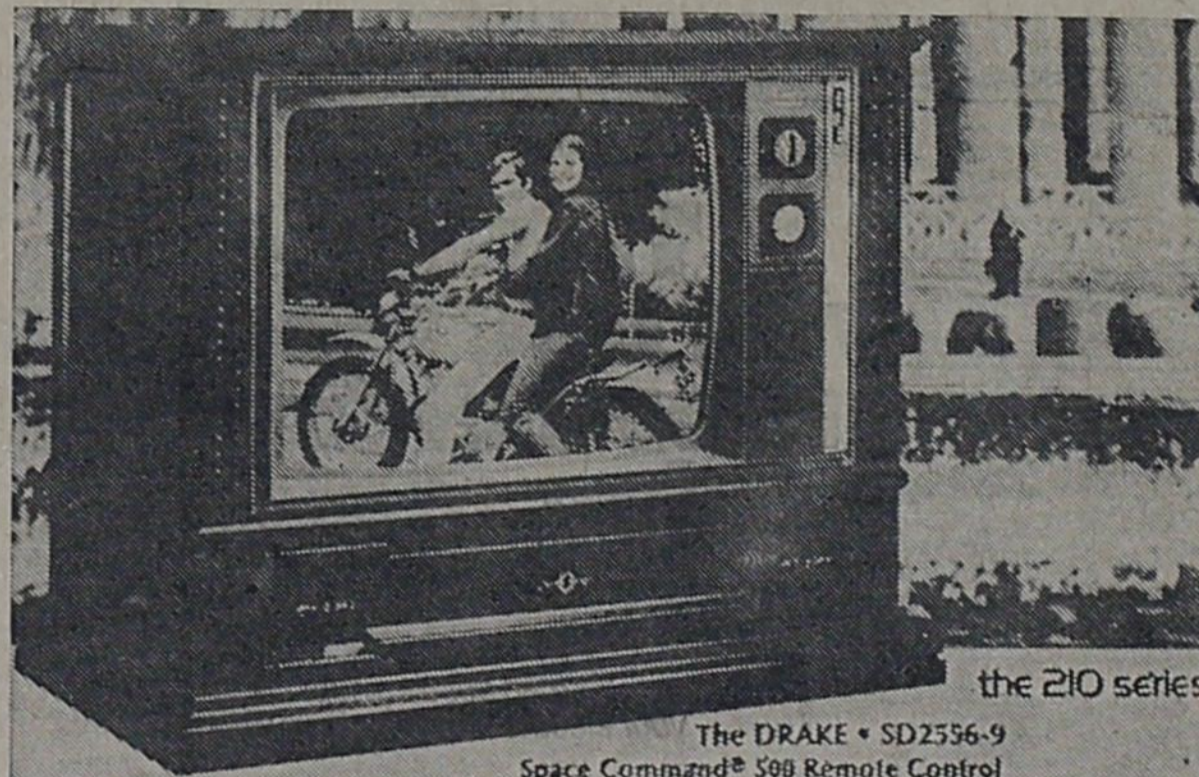
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 Tuesday — Beef roast with gravy, buttered rice, English peas, hot rolls, milk and dill-winity cake.

Wednesday — Fresh ham sandwiches, noodle soup, potato chips, milk, and pineapple pudding.  
 Thursday — Turkey and dressing, green beans, sweet potatoes with marshmallows, milk, and gingerbread.  
 Friday — Chicken salad sandwiches, vegetable soup, potato chips, milk, fruit and cookies.

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## KOKOMO NEWS

By MRS. GLENN JORDAN

The farmers are beginning to be busy in the field getting their land ready for another crop year. Thundershowers slowed the work for awhile on Tuesday.

Mrs. Sharon Mearse of Odessa rendered special music at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday morning and evening. Albert Hendricks also rendered special music at the morning service. Mrs. Claude Fuller was at the piano. Visitors at the morning service were Mrs. Mearse, Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Shackelford, Camilla and Melissa of Dumas, Mrs. Annie Shackelford of Cotton Center, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Warren and family of Gorman, Mr. and Mrs. Dwayne Snider of Lubbock, Arleen Little of Tyler and Kathy Kagler of Howard Payne.

Mrs. Sharon Mearse of Odessa returned to her home on Monday after spending last week with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Joe O'Neal. Another daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Shackelford and family of Dumas, and his mother, Mrs. Annie Shackelford of Cotton Center, are visiting with the O'Neals this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbourne Wood, Terri and Craig of Carbon, Kathy Hagler and Mary Jo Clearman of Howard Payne were visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hendricks on Friday night.

Kathy Hagler and Mary Jo Clearman of HPC were visiting the weekend with Mary Jo's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Clearman.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hendricks visited with Mrs. Willie Mae Hendricks in the Eastland Hospital on Sunday.

Mr. J. C. Clearman and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hendricks visited in the home of a cousin, Mrs. Clarice Seago in Eastland, with other cousins, Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Whitley of Mountain View, Ark.

We extend sincere sympathy to the family of Mrs. Florence Richardson, who passed away on Sunday. We shall miss Florence's singing and reporting in the paper.

Mr. and Mrs. Dwayne Snider of Lubbock are spending their spring school vacation with their parents, Mrs. C. L. Snider and Danny and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Park, Terry Ricky and Jeanne.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Jordan and Teddy were dinner guests of the Claude Fullers on Sunday.

We hope to see all of you at the Ham Dinner served by the Kokomo Community Club

## HOSPITAL REPORT

The following were reported as patients at Blackwell Hospital on Wednesday morning:

Mrs. J. A. Barrett, Dublin  
 Louise Clark, Gorman  
 Lendon Shipman, Gorman  
 Gladie Maynard, Carbon  
 T. E. Garrett, Carbon  
 James Stanley, Gorman  
 Nedra rawley, Cisco  
 Mrs. Willie Caraway, De Leon  
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 Mrs. Pearl Roberts, Gorman  
 Edward Macon, Gorman  
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We extend sincere sympathy to the family of Mr. Grady Rone, who passed away on Tuesday.

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**Don't open the oven door unnecessarily**

Opening the oven door when the oven is hot can cause heat loss and extended cooking time. It also can result in undercooking.



**Use minimum amount of water**  
The more water you use, the longer it takes to get it hot. Many foods

can be cooked with little or no water. Once water starts to boil, use the lowest heat setting that will keep it boiling.

**Cook and freeze**

Bake two cakes or pies, or make double recipes of such foods as stews and spaghetti sauce. Then freeze one for future use. Also, when you're baking, prepare an oven meal at the same time so no surface cooking is necessary—simply choose foods that will cook at the same temperature.



**Thaw before cooking**

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