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Gorman's Day Centennial Activities Slated Saturday

Congressman W. R. Poage To Attend Centennial Celebration



Mr. Charles Duran was advised on Thursday, May 3 that Congressman W. R. Poage will attend Centennial festivities in Gorman on Saturday evening at Brogdon Field. Mr. Poage has been a member of Congress for over 35 years and has been a member of the House Agriculture Committee since 1941. He is the present Chairman of this important committee, a position he has held since 1967. He is the sixth ranking member in seniority in the 435 member House of Representatives.

He is known among his colleagues as "Mr. Agriculture". In 1961 when John F. Kennedy was elected President of the United States, Mr. Poage was prominently mentioned for the Cabinet post of Secretary of Agriculture. Fortunately, for the nation's agricultural interests, he remained in the House of Representatives on the Agriculture Committee.

Raised on a West Texas ranch, Poage got his Bachelor of Arts and law degrees from Baylor University and was admitted to the bar in 1924. He married Miss Frances Cotton of Eastland, Texas. Representing a largely cotton and livestock producing district Poage's grasp of problems that face all segments of agriculture is unsurpassed. He is a farm and ranch owner and has a personal familiarity with the practical problems that confront farmers.

Mr. Poage has come to the aid of the peanut industry time after time and currently is actively working in an effort to maintain the best peanut program possible. Although peanut interests in his own district are relatively small his enthusiasm for assisting peanut growers has been kept throughout his many years of service in the Congress. His position as Chairman of the powerful House Agriculture Committee was never more meaningful to the peanut industry than at the present time.

Mr. Poage's appearance in Gorman was arranged by his aid, Marvin Leath, who will accompany him to Gorman. Mr. Leath is a brother-in-law to Charles Duran.

degree such as (maybe) being thrown in the horse trough or sitting on the dunking board seat. Am sure some folks will enjoy dunking the Kernel.

Thanks to our merchants for the support they have given us in publishing this week's edition. Not many towns this size or larger receive the support we get.

Thanks to Mrs. Poe and ladies who offered to testify in my behalf. That ole Marmellow Dill Pickle Robertson and his snoopie better watch out how they handle the Kernel. I've got help.

Mrs. M. B. Nelson of Commerce and Mrs. Earl Rodgers of Gallup, N. M. visited Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Don Rodgers.

R. REEVES LAID TO REST SATURDAY

Roscoe Reeves, Sr., 80, of Gorman, a retired rural mail carrier, died at 7:45 a. m. Friday, April 27, 1973 in the West Texas Medical Center in Abilene.

Funeral services were held at 3 p. m. Saturday in the Higginbotham Funeral Chapel with Rev. Huron Polnac, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating, with burial in the Oaklawn Cemetery.

Mr. Reeves was born June 4, 1892, in Brownwood. He was a Mason and belonged to the Gorman First Baptist Church.

He married Ruth Haynes June 20, 1936, in Dallas.

Survivors are his wife; two sons, Roscoe, Jr. of Gorman and C. C. of Longview; one brother, Dick M. of Gulfport, Miss.; and four sisters, Mrs. Georgia Earp and Mrs. Stella Pinnett, both of Houston, Mrs. May Marshall and Mrs. Nell Muirhead, both of Eastland.

Pallbearers were Speedy Clark, Speck Clark, Bill Parr, George Bennett, John Sutton and Graydon Baze.

Local Athletes And Students Feted on Friday

A large crowd jammed the High School gym on Friday night to pay tribute to members of the 1972-73 athletic teams of Gorman High, band members and University Interscholastic League contestants.

The annual affair is sponsored by the Gorman Lions Club, and honors members of the sports team, both boys and girls, as well as band members and UIL contestants.

James Mears, Club president, served as master of ceremonies.

Dr. Rex Kyker of Abilene Christian College, was featured speaker for the evening. He was introduced by Bob Green.

Invocation was given by Rev. Marion Dennis.

Mr. C. L. Garrett presented UIL participants and winners. Coaches Joe Ed Baze and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Good and Mr. Cedric Bettis presented athletic awards and Gene Foster and James Mears presented the special awards.

Mrs. Billy Earl Simpson, Band Booster Club president, introduced the High School Band members.

Kelly Henderson was recipient of the Outstanding Athlete Award. Bimbo Roberts received the Outstanding Back Award; Steve Stinnett, Lineman Award; James Michael, Sportsmanship Award; and the Bill Clark Fighting Panther Award went to Bill Baze.

Kenneth Butler received Offensive Basketball Award, Kelly Henderson, Defensive Award, and David Porter received the Sportsmanship Award.

Krista Henderson received the Basketball Forward Award, Christie Duran was presented the Guard Award, and Patty Hirst was awarded the Sportsmanship Award.

Track Awards went to James Webb and Carl Burleson.

Vickie Hallmark and Vicki Simmons received the girl's Track Awards.

Kelly Henderson, Mark Eaves, Bill Baze, Tony Ripley and Kirk Arnold received Golf Awards.

Both honorees and others in attendance praised the banquet as being highly successful.

Schedule of Centennial Day Activities

10:00 A. M. — PROMENADE beginning from Smith Bros., with Mayor W. C. "Check" Smith and Lady Clara Mae leading the stroll through downtown.

11:00 A. M. — BEARD JUDGING CONTEST to take place in front of Centennial Headquarters. Each contestant must receive his number before judging may begin. Mayor Check Smith will present the trophies compliments of Smith Bros. Chev., to the bearded gentlement judged Most Handsome Beard and Ugliest Beard. A Special Award will go to the one judged "The Smoothest Smoothie". Judges for this contest are Mrs. Tom (Connie) Birdsong of Stephenville; Mrs. Erdie (Margie) Webb of Midlothian, and Mrs. June Selman of Gorman.

11:30-2:00 P. M. — KANGAROO COURT will be in session with the Honorable Gene "Roy" Foster presiding. At this time all those sentenced will begin serving their time at the Dunking Board. The bystanders are invited to throw balls at the prisoners for the price of three balls for 25c. SPECIAL EVENT — "Shoot-Out"

3:00 P. M. — THE PARADE begins from Brown Feed Store with Grand Marshall Corky Brown leading the parade. Those participating and in order will be: the Gorman High School Band; Woman's Study Club, float; Jobe Equipment; Pinky Jobe, old car; Wayne Eaves, old equipment; Smith Bros. Chev., cars; Troy Johnson, equipment; Lions Club, car; Young Homemakers, float; Gorman Roping Club; Tex-Farms, equipment.

PET PARADE. Pets in the Pet Parade will be judged with three first place ribbons given in the different categories. There will also be a second and third place ribbons. The pets will be judged according to originality, personality, best behaved, and beauty. The judges will be Mr. and Mrs. Jack Heath, and Mr. Tom Birdsong, all of Stephenville. Mr. Lester Seaton will present the awards. All contestant are urged to be at the school no later than 2:45 p. m. to receive their numbers.

4:00-5:30 P. M. — OLD FIDDLERS CONTEST: Chairmen Loyd Glasson and Betty Kinser. Judges to be announced. First, second and third place trophies will be awarded. We are grateful to Smith Bros. Chev. for furnishing the trophies and ribbons. Robbie Robertson will present the trophies.

6:00 P. M. — SQUARE DANCE: Chairmen Elnora Lindley and Faye Tucker. Robbie Robertson, MC

7:00 P. M. — BARBECUE — Football Field. Compliments of First National Bank and Gorman Peanuts Entertainment: Dick Hammonds Band - Joe Lewis.

FOOD BOOTHS — In addition to the food booths sponsored by Woman's Study Club, Young Homemakers and Gorman Band Boosters, the Seniors will have a booth and will be selling homemade bread, the Centennial Coins (\$2 each), booklets at \$2.50 each, which contain the History of Gorman and Eastland County, and Centennial Plates at \$2.50 each.



Rev. Robert Sanders To Speak At First Methodist Homecoming

In conjunction with Eastland County's 100th birthday celebration in Gorman Saturday, May 5th, the First United Methodist Church is planning a Homecoming for Sunday, May 6th. The homecoming program will begin at 10:30 a. m.

The worship service will get underway with the recognition of visitors and roll call of all members of the church.

The Reverend Robert Sanders, former pastor here and presently serving the Winters Parish, will be guest speaker for the occasion.

Following the morning service the local congregation will host a covered dish dinner for guests and visitors in Fellowship Hall.

rural areas have been hampered.

Completion of that section will be completed approximately by June 1.

Wet Weather Hampers Phone Construction

Sorry, folks, due to the rainy weather and slow delivery of materials connections of lines into the Gorman

ACTIVITIES BEGIN AT 10 A.M. FREE BARBECUE AT 7 P. M.

Gormans portion of the Eastland County Centennial Celebration will begin at 10 a. m. Saturday, May 5th and the remainder of the day will be filled with activities that will interest everyone.

The Centennial schedule of activities appears elsewhere in the Progress.

The climax of the day will be the Free Barbecue dinner at 7:00 p. m. at Brogdon Field. This dinner is compli-



ments of the First National Bank and Gorman Peanuts. Mrs. Betty Henderson of the First National Bank reports that she has given away approximately 1900 tickets for the barbecue dinner. She also states that persons who have taken tickets and will not be able to use them may return them as late as Friday.

Following the dinner, entertainment will be provided by Dick Hammond, recording artist and also a well recogniz-

ed personal appearance and television artist. He has appeared in various clubs and southwest rodeos. He also fronts for the Ray Price television programs, as well as playing in the dance band. He performed for 19 weeks at Six Flags last season, and has worked with many stars, including Jeannie C. Riley, Winn Stewart, Billy Joe Spears, Johnny and Joni Moshy, comedian Glenn Ash and many others.



Also on the program for the evening will be Joe Lewis. A native Texan who started calling in 1945 when modern western style square dancing

was new. Lewis worked in electronics thirteen years before building the J Bab L square dance hall in Dallas. He sold the hall when travel-

SCHOOL PARKING LOT PROVIDED FOR VISITORS SATURDAY EVENING

Mr. C. L. Garrett, superintendent of Gorman Schools, has announced that visitors to the barbecue dinner and entertainment Saturday evening are welcome to use the parking lot located in front of the High School.

People are also asked to bring their lawn chairs if they wish, as the stadium bleachers are expected to be filled to over-flowing.

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CARD OF THANKS

Again we wish to express our appreciation for the prayers, food and flowers, and the many kind favors shown us at the passing of our loved one. Thank you with love.

The Roscoe Reeves family

CARD OF THANKS

We want to take this opportunity to thank the Lawndale Home personnel for such wonderful care of our beloved mother and grandmother, Allie Seay.

Also to Dr. Canut, Dr. Pino and the nurses at Blackwell Hospital, and to our many friends for sitting with us, for the food, beautiful flowers, memorials and cards, to Higginbotham Funeral Home for their beautiful work, to Bro. Polnac, and the choir for the sweet words in song.

Good friends are worth far more than gold. May God bless each of you is our prayer.

Mr. and Mrs. Hillary Seay Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Seay Sisters, nieces, nephews

ing limited his time in Dallas. These travels have taken him to Australia three times — where he introduced square dancing in 1951. Each year he travels to about thirty-five states and to parts of Canada, and has maintained his status as a club caller by calling for one of these clubs seventeen years and of interest is the fact that a few of the charter members of this club remain active.

From the outset Joe interjected into calling a more modern sound involving a closer harmony of voice and music plus some syncopation and is credited with originating the style, popular today, which embodies these qualities.

He has recorded about seventy sides and has written many dances, a few of which stayed around a long time and were recorded and re-recorded by several labels such as "Alabama Jubilee", "Jellybean", etc.

The mis-match of Joe's tenor voice and the records, all of which are recorded for baritones, drove Joe into developing a musical instrument called the "Combo". It is a new button section for the accordion which plays bass fiddle, guitar and a rhythm sound. Joe accompanies himself with the Combo. These sounds, plus the regular accordion plus a recent addition of miniature "vibes" on the right hand give a full square dance band sound. The "Combo" is now being offered for sale.

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In Event of Rain Barbecue Dinner Will Be In Gym

In the event the weather doesn't cooperate and it rains Saturday night at the time the barbecue dinner is to be served, the dinner will be moved to the High School Gym and will be served there.

The musical program will also be held in the gym in the event the weather prevents it being held in the park.

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ITEMS OF INTEREST

Jewell Cemetery Working Saturday, May 12th. All interested person are urged to attend. Bring working tools and basket lunch.

NOTICE: I have several unmarked dishes at my home that were brought at the time of my husband's passing. If the ladies who brought them will call and describe their dishes, I will be happy to deliver them. Mrs. R. M. Curb.

Annual All Day Singing will be held at Rock Bluff Sunday, May 6th. Singing will begin at 10 a. m. and basket lunch will be spread at noon.

The Gorman Independent School Board will meet Monday, May 7th.

Don't Forget - - the Oliver Springs Cemetery Working on Friday, May 4th. Bring your hoes, rakes, and lawn mowers and help clean the cemetery.

The Gorman 4-H Club will meet at 7:30 p. m. Friday, May 4th at the Fire Hall.

The Band Boosters Club will meet Monday, May 7th at the Band Hall for a very important meeting, the election of officers. All members are urged to be present.

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

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Saturday May 5th, 1973



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Methodist Youth Honored With Easter Party

Members of the Children's Division of the First United Methodist Church and guests were honored with an Easter Egg Hunt on Wednesday, April 18 at the church. Hosts for the event were

teachers Mrs. M. H. Fairbetter, Mrs. Charlie Torrez and Mrs. Jimmy Turner.

The children met in the sanctuary of the church prior to the egg hunt for a short program. Mrs. Fairbetter told the children the meaning of Easter and the children sang several songs.

Following the egg hunt refreshments of cookies and punch were served in Fellowship Hall from a beautifully decorated Easter theme table.

Ailene Cates gave the invocation before refreshments were served.

Tim Dennis was awarded the prize for finding the largest number of eggs, and Tommy Campbell was given a prize for finding the least number.

Assisting the Easter Bunny in hiding eggs were Mrs. J. W. Hodges, Charlie Torrez, Effie Turner and Milton Fairbetter.

Those present were Tommy Campbell, Kerry Campbell, Vida Torrez, Michael Torrez, Missy Phillips, Lesha Phillips, Jonny Ervin, Joe Dale Poteet, Rhet Harrison, Lori Redman, Laura Redman, Anthony Anderson, Dewey Isbell Irby Reyes, Hosea Reyes, David Reyes, Royce Ridens, Ailene Cates, Tracy Sikes, Leslie Sikes, Billie Sikes, June Spence, Tim Dennis, John Zuggs, Tammy Whitlock, Carolyn Whitlock, Katherine Turner, Jim Turner, Gloria Kay Turner, James Lynn Kasinger, Jo Ann Dake, also Mmes. M. H. Fairbetter, Jimmie Turner, Sybil Hodges, Lorene Poteet, Thomas Harrison, Miles Ervin, E. L. Dennis, Robert Redman, Larry Anderson, Estelle Craddock, Guadalupe Torrez, Charlie Torrez, and Effie Turner, Milton Fairbetter, Jr., and Charlie Torrez.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Secretary of State Mark W. White, Jr. announced that all presently commissioned Notaries Public desiring re-appointment for the new term which begins June 1, 1973 and ends June 1, 1974, must pay the required fee and file a new oath and bond with the County Clerk between May 1, 1973 and May 15, 1973, inclusive.

Secretary of State White further stated that any person not now a Notary Public who desires appointment for the beginning of the new term on June 1, 1973, should apply to the County Clerk before May 14, 1973.

The required application forms may be obtained from the County Clerk.

Mr. White emphasized that Notaries Public should not send requests for appointment or for commissions directly to the Secretary of State inasmuch as the law specifically requires that the County Clerk approve Notary Bonds and forward copies of the application to the Secretary of State.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: Hamidah S. Bostick,
Defendant, Greeting:
YOU (AND EACH OF YOU) ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the 91st District Court of Eastland County at the Courthouse there, in Eastland, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of issuance of this citation, same being the 21st day of May A. D., 1973, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 3rd day of April A. D., 1973, in this cause, numbered 26,970 on the docket of said court and styled IN THE MATTER OF THE MARRIAGE OF ROBERT K. BOSTICK AND HAMIDAH S. BOSTICK.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit:

This is a suit for divorce. If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Witness: Joe T. Gray, Clerk of the 91st District Court of Eastland County, Texas.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Eastland, Texas, this 6th day of April A. D. 1973.

Joe T. Gray, Clerk
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Miss Martha Swinney and David Guthery to Exchange Vows May 25

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Swinney of De Leon announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Martha Jane, to David Wayne Guthery, son of Mrs. Tommie Guthery of Gorman.

The bride-elect is a 1972 graduate of De Leon High School and is presently employed at Shelby's Pharmacy. The bridegroom elect is a 1968 graduate of Gorman High School and is a student at Cisco Junior College and is presently employed at Brown's Feed Store.

Vows will be exchanged May 25, 1973 at 7 p. m. at the United Pentecostal Church in De Leon. Friends and relatives are invited to attend.

HISTORY OF FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF GORMAN - 1900-1973



The First National Bank of Gorman, which is the oldest bank in Eastland County, was organized in 1900. It was of frame construction, located on the corner of Kent and Ross. Later it was moved into a stone building across the street from its present location.

The early presidents were W. H. Eddleman, J. E. Spencer, W. A. Waldrop, John H. Sweatt and then Ben Reed.

MAGNETIC SIGN orders taken at the Progress Office, call 734-5410.

An early report of condition in the years 1925 and 1930 were:

	Total
Loans	174,825.25
Deposits	507,617.83
Resources	825,214.09
	298,363.98
	402,220.74
	500,527.12

Mr. Reed sold the bank to Continental State in 1929. The name First National was maintained and it was moved to its present location. O. P. Newberry was president at the time of this transaction. Then following Mr. Newberry were: E. D. David, W. G. Kirk and then in 1962, the bank was purchased by Charles Duran and E. R. Arnold, Jr.

When Duran and Arnold took possession the deposits were approximately \$1,750,000. Since that time, they have been instrumental in the development of irrigation in this trade area. The bank has prospered and in January, 1973, an all time high was reached with \$5,295,516.92 in deposits.

The deposits, as well as loans, of this bank vary to a greater degree during planting and harvesting seasons; but statistics prove things are definitely on an upward trend.

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CARD OF THANKS
I wish to thank Dr. Pino, Dr. Canut and the nursing staff at Blackwell Hospital for the good care and attention during my stay in the hospital. Also to my friends for the visits and cards.
May God bless you.
Mrs. C. H. Groomer

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Mrs. Velma Bennett has returned from a visit in Hobbs, N. M. where she spent the Easter holidays in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Sparger.

CARD OF THANKS

Words cannot express our feelings of gratitude at this time during the loss of our beloved wife and mother. There are so many people we would like personally to thank however, this is impossible. So we wish to say "thank you" for all the cards, flowers, food that was brought to our homes and the church. A special thanks to Dr. Pino for the care during her stay in the hospital here and for all the cards, visits and prayers during the stay in the hospital in Abilene. A very special thanks to the men who helped get Donnie's land broke.

Our thanks to Don, Era and Dorothy for their guidance and understanding, to Gene Foster for the lovely flower arrangements, to Bro. Polnac, Bro. O'Neal, Mrs. Buchanan and the choir for the beautiful message in words and songs. May God's blessings be with you always is our prayer.

The family of Mrs. Lula Merle Mauney A. D. (Pete) Mauney Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mauney and family Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Mauney and family Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Chambers and family -GP-

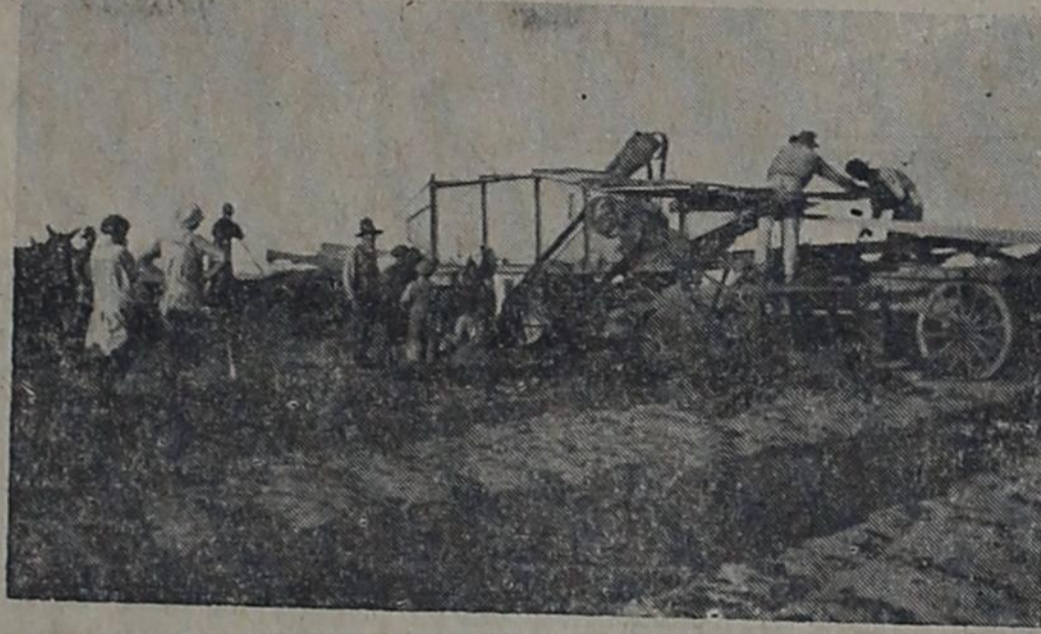
CARD OF THANKS

Our thanks to friends for the many expressions of sympathy at the time of passing of our son and brother. For the food brought to our home, the flowers and all the many nice things you did for us, we are deeply grateful.
May God bless each of you.
The C. W. Swanners
The Winford Swanners
The Ray Swanners
The James Swanners

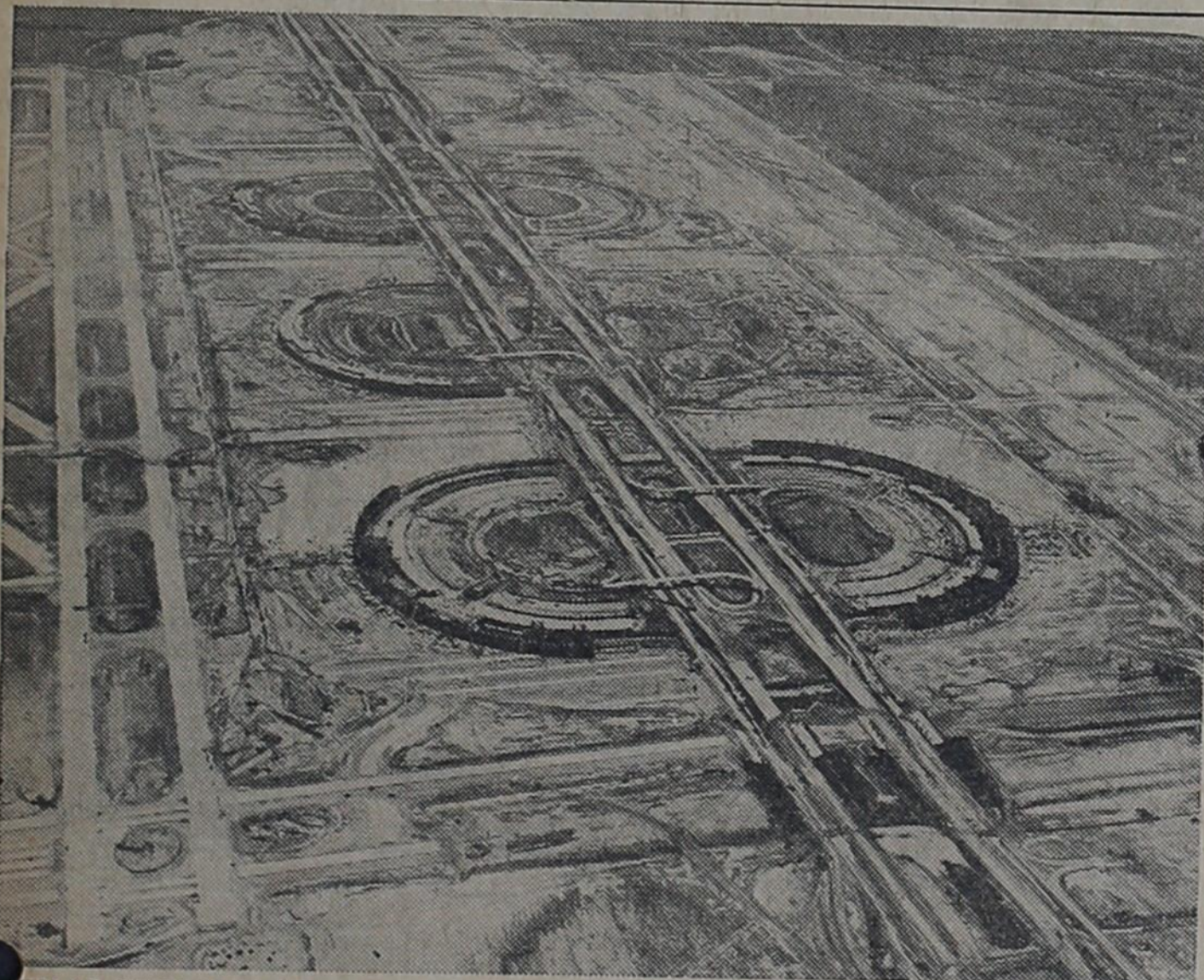


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First Baptist Entertains with Senior Luncheon

The 1973 Gorman High School Senior were honored with a luncheon in the Fellowship Hall of the First Baptist Church on Wednesday, April 25th at noon. The mothers of the seniors from First Baptist Church served as hostesses.

The seniors, Mrs. Wanda Patterson, Mr. C. L. Garrett and Mr. Cedric Bettis were welcomed by the pastor, Huron Polnac, and the invocation was given by Dr. Huron A. Polnac, Jr., a home missionary from Boise, Idaho.

Decorations featured red and blue crepe paper runners down the center of the tables with arrangements of red roses and blue bonnets and replicas of graduation mortar boards. Other graduation motifs and red and blue flowers were placed about the room.

The seniors were served barbecued chicken, ranch style beans, potatoe salad, cole slaw, hot rolls, iced tea and carrot pecan cake.

New Testaments from the church were presented to the seniors by the pastor's wife, Mrs. Huron A. Polnac. The program was concluded with

LOOK WHO'S NEW

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Buchanan of Arlington proudly announce the birth of their new son, James Yancy, who was born in the Arlington Memorial Hospital at 10:20 a. m. on Monday, April 30, 1973.

He weighed 5 pounds and 9 ounces and was 19 inches long. James Yancy has a big brother, Kelly Lee, age 4.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hendricks of Kokomo and Mrs. W. A. O'Neal of Gorman is the great-grandmother.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Joe Buchanan of Bradshaw.

a brief devotional by Huron A. Polnac, Jr., and a prayer by Mr. Garrett.

Those attending were Jeanette Jackson, Jim Jackson, Barbaar Regian, Marshall Roberts, Brad Campbell, Michael Lewis, Becki Wright, George Ann Bettis, Christie Duran, Ray Michael, James Michaels, Manuel Torrez, Sha Rogers, Bernadean Reeves, Lonnie Bennett, Bobby Rich, Patty Hirst, Mimi Pino, Kelly Henderson, David Porter, Joan Seitern, Karen Moore and Karen Kirk.

Serving the meal were Alene Reeves, Lizzie Jackson, Evelyn Moore, Roma Jewel Hood, Betty Bettis, and Lavoyce Hirst.

Farmers Union Directors Meet Held April 28th

Members of District IV, consisting of Eastland, Comanche and Erath Counties, participating at the Board of Directors meeting of the Texas Farmers Union, held at the Camelot Inn in Waco on Saturday, April 28th were: Jerry Warren, Gorman, Jack Barns, De Leon, and Randy Shaddin and Jimmy Shaddin of Dublin.

County officers representing most of Farmers Union's chartered counties in Texas attended the day-long business session.

Several hard hitting resolutions were adopted by the Board relating to matters of concern to farmers and ranchers in Texas.

The impending energy crisis is invoked strong reaction from Board members. It called upon Congress to see that agricultural usage receive top priority in any possible fuel rationing at the wholesale or retail levels. The Board considered the action necessary because fuel shortages could immediately affect food supplies and force the retail food price spiral even higher.

The Board registered strong reservations to the "Flannigan Report", a recently leaked secret study advocating the weakening of farm programs. It urged Congress to retain supply control features in any new farm legislation, and "peg" price support floors and government payments to the parity principle. The Board also urged Congress to retain the peanut and rice programs as they presently operate.

World trade received considerable attention by the county farm organization leaders, and Congress was urged to limit the Administration's authority to negotiate trade agreements in order that agricultural producers can be protected in the world marketplace from a "cheap food" policy.

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LONE CEDAR TO SPONSOR CENTENNIAL GAME

Lone Cedar Bridge Club will sponsor a Centennial Day Game and luncheon on May 11 at the Lone Cedar Country Club. There will be a morning and afternoon session.

Tickets are \$2.10. Ladies are to wear their long dresses if they wish.

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Kokomo Club Meets To Plan District Tour

The Kokomo Community Club had a called meeting on Wednesday night, April 25th at 8 p. m. to plan the District Tour to be held on Wednesday, May 2nd from 1:30 to 3:30 p. m.

Mr. J. C. Clearman presided over the meeting.

The tour route was planned and plans were made for three stops. Stops planned were at the new home of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McNeely, and the homes of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Morrow and Mr. and Mrs. Claude Fuller. Improv-

ed farm land and new farm equipment and livestock was also planned for viewing along the route.

The program was to be concluded with a summary program in the Kokomo Baptist Church and refreshments in Fellowship Hall.

County Agents De Gordon and Mrs. Janet Thomas, District Agents John Burleson and Miss Annie Lucy Lane of Stephenville were to be present for the tour.

The three judges were from the Texas Extension Service.

These Community Improvement contests are sponsored by the Texas Extension Service and Texas Electric Service Co.



TWO VALUABLE BOYS INJURED EARLY IN SEASON — Rodney Warren, left, and Benny Butler, two Fighting Panthers who were injured early in the football season and missed the years series of games. Benny received a broken ankle and foot in practice before the season started. Rodney received a broken arm in a pre-season scrimmage. Their injuries kept them out for the remainder of the season.

The Lions Club wish to make a public apology to these two athletes for omitting their names at the banquet Friday night. It was an oversight on the part of the members of the Lions Club and they are extremely sorry and do think the boys are worthy of mention and are looking forward to having them back on the team for the fall term.

Also shown in the picture is Ricky Townley, member of the Panther Band. The picture was taken at Dublin-Gorman football game.

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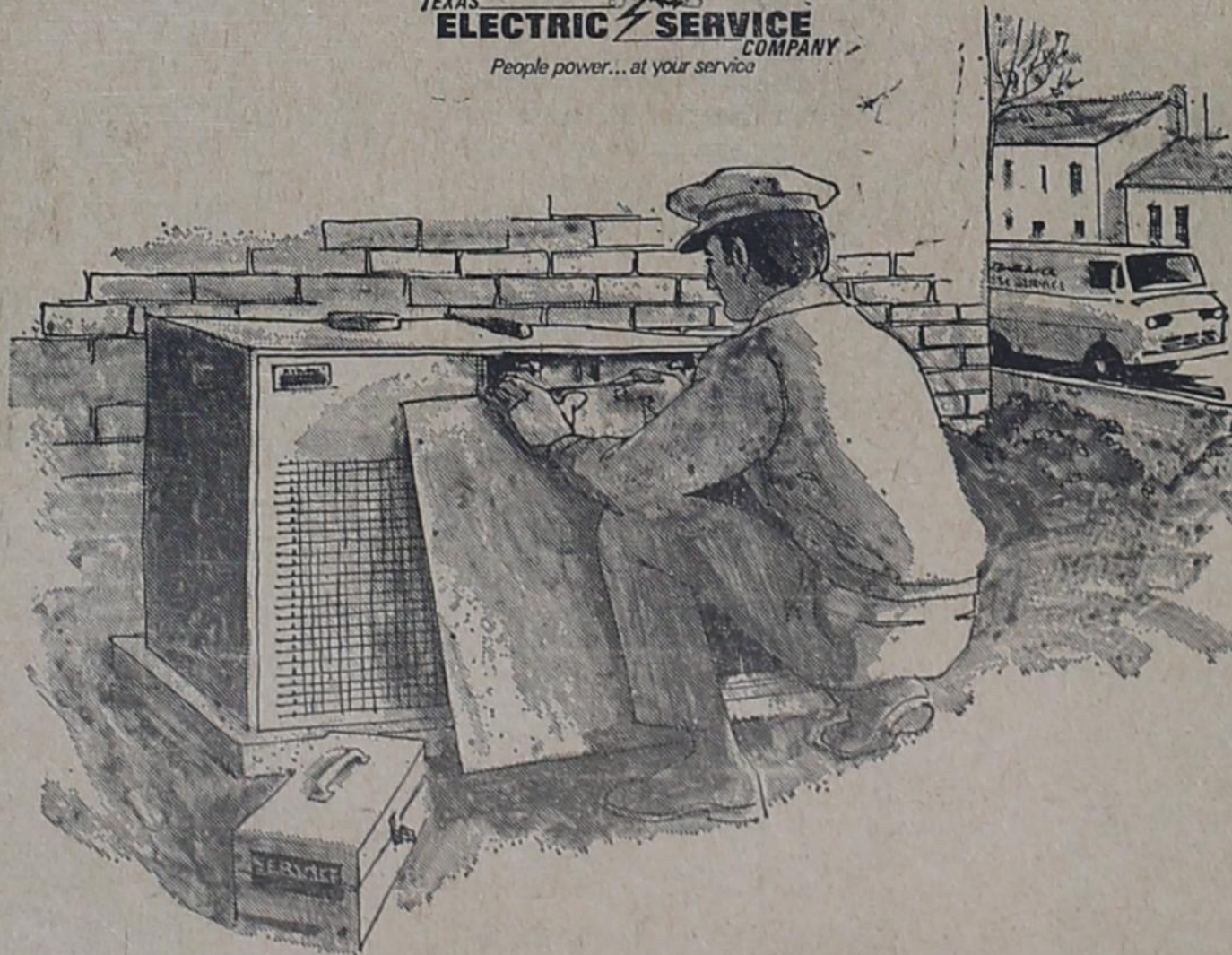
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A Look Into The Yester-years Of Gorman By Tom Bennett

The following article was written for the Gorman Diamond Jubilee in 1963 from an interview with the late Tom Bennett:

He lived here continuously for 85 years. When asking about the history of Gorman, folks will say, "see Tom Bennett", he knows. In talking with some of the "Old-Timers" we learned many interesting things about the early days in Gorman.

Mr. Thomas Henry Bennett was born March 16, 1885 on a farm south of Gorman where John Browning now lives and he has lived here continuously for 78 years.

Tom, as he is fondly called, is one of eight children of Mr. and Mrs. Green Asbury Bennett. The others will be remembered as James Gilbert,

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An uncle, Bud Bennett, settled in this area in the 1870's. Tom farmed until 1912 when he began work at the gin and carpentering.

He claims to be the first person in Texas to refine peanut oil. In 1912 as an employee of F. S. Perry Gin and Compress Co., Tom and Mr. Perry decided to make an experiment with refining the oil extracted from peanuts in the making of peanut cakes for feed. They took the first gallon to Phillip Hess, cafe owner, for him to try and see if it was usable. It proved very successful and the men began refining the oil and storing it in 50 gallon barrel containers. They sold a train tank car load to Wilson Packing Co. in Chicago. This could have very well become a big industry here if it had been developed.

Another industry that lasted only two years was the Purdey Bros. Canning Factory.

The plant was built out of necessity to preserve the huge tomato crops raised in 1904-05.

The Purdey brothers who were the second blacksmiths to settle here were very successful and erected a large building on the property west

of the present Fire Hall. It housed their shop, the canning factory, and a skating rink was located on the second floor. This was the amusement center for young and old.

The canning plant employed from 10 to 15 people. Bert Bennett, a tin smith and brother of Tom, sorted the lids on the cans.

The reason for the large tomato crops was due to the planting of tomatoes in the apple orchards to make sure the orchards were kept cultivated.

Frank Townsend and others owned large apple orchards, which were good money crops. Tom recalls that from 75 to 100 train car loads of apples were shipped out of Gorman each year.

The years 1904-06 were good cotton producing years, and three gins were kept running day and night to take care of the harvest. Gorman was the main shipping center for this area. Cotton as far away as Cross Plains was brought here to be shipped.

When the closed cars for cotton shipping was not available flat cars were used. 50 cents was a good salary for the men to ride the cars as firemen from Gorman to Dublin.

As many as ten thousand bales at one time was located on the three parks owned by the railroad company, awaiting shipment.

These parks were also the beauty spots of the town as cotton wood rees outlined the grounds which were well kept.

Sipe Springs used the Gorman depot as their shipping point and receiving of goods; and as many as 100 wagons have been seen on the road at one time hauling the merchandise.

A Cotton Compress was built here in 1914 but closed two years later when the boll weevil hit this section of the country and farmers began planting peanuts.

Many businessmen went broke at this time as the farmers were unable to pay for materials and money they had borrowed.

Gorman had no water system in the early days and Mr. Ab Belyeu, who ran the first livery stable, also hauled water and sold it to the residents.

"All to books!" was the call that brought the students to the one room school located where the Curtis Spence house is now located. When the teacher, Tucker Thompson, rapped on the door with the handle of his knife and called "All to books", kids came from all directions and thru the bushes for school.

The school grew and Professor Bewely, a scholar from Kentucky, came to teach and was followed by George and Bill Morris. As many as 100 students were taught at one time in the one room 24x30 foot building which was also the Masonic Lodge Hall. When the students filled the lower floor they got to use the upstairs which was the lodge meeting place. Nothing made the students feel more "grown up" than getting sent upstairs.

The Markum child, whose parents ran a dry goods store, was the first person to be buried in the Gorman Cemetery. School was turned out and the teacher had the students march together to the funeral.

Mr. Thompson was also a farmer and lived where the Q. D. Fullers do now.

Perry and Lum Miller built the first lumber yard here in 1890 and later sold out to C. A. Gray, who moved it to the present site of the Ross Lumber Yard. Mrs. Perry Miller was also an early day teacher.

Tom's father, Green A. Bennett, and Dr. Ramsey, built the first drug store in Gorman in 1895. Uncles Bud Bennett owned one of the first grocery stores and Sim Bennett had the first barber shop. Henry Capers was the second barber.

There were so many Bennett's in Gorman at one time that 75 percent of the voters were Bennetts.

Float wagon business or delivery wagons is something that few of us know about. At one time it was a very successful business - John Scott owned the first one and also built the third house in Gorman.

Up until 1901 all the business houses were of wood construction. Higginbotham building was the first stone structure. Tom Hamrick built the second brick, a dry goods store where Wright Implement is now located. Dr. Kimble built the third brick building where Frossard's is located. The First Methodist Church was the fourth brick building.

A Mr. Duffer ran a still near Lake Leon and stored his whiskey in a building near Wright's Implement Co. Larry Lambert had a saloon on the location where Ormsby Grocery is located. Of course, this was all elgal in those days.

The first telephone was a line from the depot to Sipe Springs and the line was strung on posts of 4x4's. The depot agent would hold the telephone receiver out the window when the train whis-

led for the folks in Sipe Springs to hear, and Mr. Bennett recalls this as something that created excitement.

The first newspaper was owned by Wyatt Hall and it was called the Pruning Knife. Tom said the editor really pruned the people with his editorials. The paper had a picture of a knife under the title of the paper. The paper was sold to Paul Keith who edited the Pizen Weed in Seranton. He sold out to Jim Bennett, an uncle of Tom's, who later sold to Mr. Collie.

Ed Hyatt was the first owner of Gorman's telephone office, which was later bought by Will Lasater.

Mr. Bennett jokingly tells of his ride with the famous outlaw Cole Younger, who was connected in the robberies with the James brothers. But he quickly explains how the ride came about before people get the wrong impression.

The incident happened when Cole Younger came to Gorman to make a talk at the Opera House. This was after Younger had served his term in prison for his crimes and was touring the country lecturing on crime doesn't pay. He was to make his next appearance in Sipe Springs and Tom was hired to drive him there.

The Opera House was located where the J. E. Walkers live. It was built by E. F. Stanton, a singing school teacher and seated 200 people and averaged two shows a week. Some were local talent shows; some medicine shows and operas.

A Christmas party was responsible for the closing of the brick plant at Shinoak which was owned by John Hodge who also operated a saloon. His plant employed ten men and they had too much to drink at a Christmas celebration and let the fire die out in the brick kiln and ruined ten thousand brick. Some were used to build chimneys but the loss was too great for Mr. Hodge and he had to close the plant.

Mr. Bennett was married to Minnieola Smith, Dec. 9, 1906. The couple enjoy their hobby of flowers, lawn and trees. Sons, Aubrey and Morgan make their home with them; a daughter, Mrs. J. B. Eliff, lives in Waco. (This article was reprinted from the Sept. 26, 1963 edition of the Progress.) -GP-

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KOKOMO NEWS

By MRS. GLENN JORDAN

There is excitement at Kokomo this week, anticipating the District Tour in the Texas Community Improvement Program on Wednesday, May 2. The tour begins at the Community Center at 1:30 p. m. with stops at the J. L. Morrow, J. D. McNeely and the Claude Fuller homes. Farm land and equipment along the route will be viewed and activities will conclude with a short summary program in the Kokomo Baptist Church and refreshments in Fellowship Hall, ending at 3:30 p. m.

HOME COMING
Saturday, May 5 is homecoming time at Kokomo and time for the annual Simpson Cemetery working. Everyone

that is interested is invited to come and bring a basket lunch to spread at the Kokomo picnic grounds at noon.

Saturday will sure be a busy day for the people of Kokomo. The Home Demonstration Club will be entering a float in the Centennial Parade at Gorman and taking part in the other Centennial activities.

Birthday Honor

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hendricks honored Mrs. Claude Fuller and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brown with a birthday dinner in their home on Sunday, April 29th. Others attending were Mr. Claude Fuller and Ricky, Kris Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Jordan and Teddy and Louann Cranford of Stephenville.

NEW RADIO & TV SHOP
Mr. R. C. Le Bleu and his wife, Dorothy, have moved a house to their land near

the Wayne Eaves farm and have built a building to house a Radio and TV Repair Shop. They hope to be open for business sometime this summer. Mr. Le Bleu is recuperating from a heart attack, and is awaiting the release from his doctor to continue his work.

They are former residents of Ozona. Mrs. Le Bleu is a member of the Jehovah Witness at Eastland.

We welcome the Le Bleus to our community.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Stice of Dallas visited from Sunday until Tuesday with her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Fields and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Neill of Odessa were recent visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Crawley and Mrs. H. C. Wharton. Mrs. Neill is a granddaughter of Mrs. Wharton's and a niece to Mrs. Jordan and Mrs. Crawley.

Mrs. J. C. Clearman and Mrs. J. L. Morrow attended the Vacation Bible School Clinic at the First Baptist Church in Breckenridge on Monday.

Jamie Lewallen of Floydada and Randy McDonald of Fort Worth spent Monday night with the Glenn Jordans.

Mrs. J. W. O'Neal spent several days in the hospital at Gorman this past week, but was able to return to her home on Tuesday.

J. C. Caraway has returned to his home following foot surgery in the hospital at Gorman.

We wish them both continued improvement.

The Primitive Baptist Association met at the Kokomo Community Center during the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hendricks were in Arlington Monday night and Tuesday to see their new grandson, James Yancy Buchanan, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Buchanan, and big brother, Kelly. Kelly returned home with the Hendrickses for a few days visit.

The Glenn Jordans were visiting with the Vernon Fields on Friday night.

WEEK OF APRIL 26

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Nelson, Tena and Travis of Lew-
elle, spent the weekend with

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Nelson and Cassie. The Jim Jordans were visiting with them on Saturday.

Christi Fuller of Stephenville spent the Easter holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Fuller.

Mrs. Henry Lovell of Carbon spent the weekend with a daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brown and Kris. Mr. and Mrs. Euell Allison and Alice Ann were Sunday dinner guests with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bishop and Julia and friend, Sue of Dallas, were lunch guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brown and Kris on Saturday.

Van Stacy of Gorman spent Tuesday night with Kris Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Hallmark, Becky, Debby and Amy of San Angelo and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Little, Ray Neal, Nelda and James, were weekend visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Vern Garrett.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Little, Arleen and LaDawn of Whitehouse visited during the Easter holidays with his mother, Mrs. John Little, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Scitern were Sunday dinner guests of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Foster, Lisa and Joe, in Gorman.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Sandlin and children of Carlsbad, N. M. visited during the Easter holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Collins, and with a sister, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Little, Cayo, Charla and Alan.

Kokomo will be toured and judged in the Texas Community Improvement Program on Wednesday, May 2 from 1:30 to 3:30 p. m. Final plans will be completed for the tour at a meeting on Wednesday, April 25 at 8:30 p. m. at the community center. Visitors are welcome to join us on the tour.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hendricks spent last Wednesday night with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Buchanan and Kelly in Arlington. Kelly returned home with his grandparents for a visit.

Joe Miles of Abilene enjoyed an Easter egg hunt with Kelly on Sunday afternoon. Other visitors with the Hen-

HD Fun Day Hosted By Kokomo Club

The Kokomo HD Club was host for the annual Eastland County Home Demonstration Fun Day on Wednesday, April 18 at Kokomo Baptist Church Fellowship Hall.

Everyone gathered by 9 a. m., bringing a covered dish for the noon luncheon.

Mrs. J. L. Morrow, president, welcomed guests. The program was opened with the Gorman 4th grade class directed by Rev. Joe O'Neal,

drickxes and Kelly were Mrs. Roddy Miles and Sheri of Abilene and Mrs. Glenn Jordan.

singing several songs and giving the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

The day's events followed with a tour of the community and visits made to the south to the home place of Odis Rodgers. The tour group also toured the beautiful new home of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McNeely. The second stop was at the newly re-modeled home of Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Eaves.

The third stop was made at the J. C. Clearman's beautiful two-story home.

The tour ended at the church at noon where the luncheon was served in the kitchen annex. The tables were beautifully decorated with the Easter theme.

Following lunch Mrs. Janet Thomas and Arleen Hawkins gave a most enjoyable program on arts and crafts.

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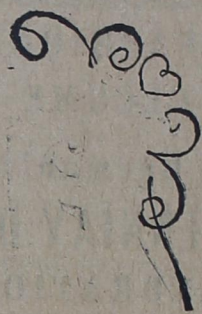
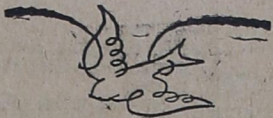
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LOOK BACK TO SEE HOW FAR WE'VE COME

SINCE THE HORSE AND BUGGY DAYS; LOOK FORWARD TO SEE WHERE WE'RE GOING - - AND - - THE SKY IS THE LIMIT; OURS IS A TOWN AND AREA ON THE MOVE, THANKS TO VISION, DETERMINATION AND HARD WORK ON THE PART OF OUR LOCAL BUSINESS MEN, WOMEN, AND CIVIC WORKERS. PAST HISTORY IS FUN TO CONTEMPLATE, BUT A ROSY, PROSPEROUS FUTURE IS NICER YET, DON'T YOU THINK?



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**LAWNDALE
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WEEK OF APRIL 26TH
Visitors during Easter week were:

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. McLearn of Cisco who visited Eliza Maxey.

Glenda and Ken Steele of Everman, Cathy Clark of Comfort, Robby and Patsy Clark, also of Comfort, visited Lela Knox.

Billy and Janda Taylor of Belton visited Myrtle Hill.

Minnie Walton of Brownwood visited Hattie Love.

Everett Harris of Rising Star visited in the home.

Mrs. Elmer Watson of Midland visited Mrs. Mears and

Mrs. Rawls.

LaJoyce and Dean Douglas of Dallas, Mrs. Phillip Jackson of Pasadena, Doris Clark of De Leon, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Clark of Kennedy, and Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Jackson of Pasadena visited Edward Macon.

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Martin of Manteca, Calif., Mr. and Mrs. Claude Stanfield of El Centro, Calif., and Jessie Mason of El Centro, Calif., visited Noah Underwood.

Mae Park of Gorman visited Pearl Roberts.

Laura Kirk, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Kirk of Pasadena, Mr. and Mrs. Ardell Kirk of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Glynn Kirk of Brownwood, Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Kirk, Lisa and Paul of Sweetwater, Mr. and

Mrs. Odell Kirk and Laura of Pasadena, visited Mrs. R. L. Kirk.

The Gary Echols family of Odessa visited Mary Ann Echols.

Billy Overstreet and family of Grand Prairie, and Mary Lee Cagle of Olden visited Mary Overstreet. Also visiting Mrs. Overstreet were Mrs. Eddie Overstreet, Mike and Randy of Hollister, Okla. and Steve Overstreet of Fredrick, Okla.

Shelley Childress and Betty Sue Farrell of Fort Worth, visited Sallie Reeves.

Kay Burns of Big Spring, Kathy Huse, Alyssa Burns and Andrea Burns of Big Spring visited Virginia Griffith.

Thomas and Elizabeth Lee of Cisco visited Ed Meglasson.

Mrs. Linda Angerstein of Arlington, Mrs. R. E. Brandstetter of Brownwood, Louise Hall of Brownwood, Mrs. Brenda Uley of Arlington visited Helen Claxton.

Mr. and Mrs. James Torch Kaycee and Kendrea of Irving, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Cook, Kelli and Karla of De Leon visited Etta Sanders.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Lee and family of Woodson visited Alma Craig.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Clark of Brady visited Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Jones.

Kahy Wilkinson of Amarillo and Mrs. F. V. Kenedy of Gorman visited Fred Kenedy.

Mrs. George Bell visited the home.

The Kokomo ladies here to help us celebrate our birthdays and Easter party were Mmes. J. L. Morrow, D. F. Eaves, J. C. Rodgers, Alvin Lasater, Billy Walker, and Albert Hendricks, and her grandson, Kelly Buchanan of Arlington.

HURRY-HURRY-HURRY

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**On Your
CELEBRATION
of Eastland County's
100TH BIRTHDAY
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Dr. J. R. Canut

You know, some people figure they can get by pretty good with second best. Well sir, that's the kind of thinking that'll make a good peanut farmer snicker to himself. If he was to take that attitude, he'd be out of business before long.

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They grow it on choice irrigated land. It's combined at a slow, steady speed so it won't be damaged. Then it's field dried.

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Of course, there's a lot of other important steps involved in getting the excellent quality seed that bears the Star Brand label. Tell you what, why don't you drop by your dealer who handles Star Brand Seed and get him to tell you some more about it.



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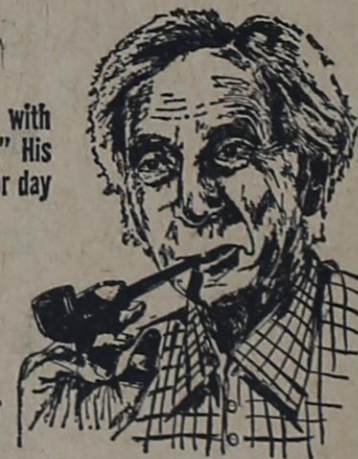
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By now most folks are familiar with the "Ole Crossroads Philosopher." His sensible, and humorous, advice for day to day living has gotten to be pretty popular around these parts. So, for those of you who have come to admire the old man and his radio quotes, Gorman Peanuts is offering a series of Ole Philosopher Bumper Quotes for your car or truck.



They're getting to be real popular items now, so get yours while they last. They're free and available only at your Star Brand Peanut Seed Dealer.

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BOOK YOUR SEED NOW

History of Higginbotham Bros. & Co.

The story of Higginbotham Bros. & Co. in Gorman is only one of many similar stories that can be told of this company in some sixteen communities in Central West

Texas. As a management engineer once said, "The history of the development of Central West Texas is so closely tied in with the development of this company that to speak of one is to speak of both. Unquestionably, the foresight of the founders of the company brought about a decided influence in the general welfare of the people of the communities elected by the founders

as service centers around which the company developed to its currently high position in the esteem of its patrons." The first store or unit of the present corporation was started at De Leon, Texas by J. M. and Boliver Higginbotham in January, 1881. "The trees were just being cleared away for the townsite, and the Texas Central Railroad had just made its

advent through the community," one of the founders relates. The business was not incorporated, however, until August 31, 1897 to be known as Higginbotham & Company, capital stock \$75,000.00. Incorporators were Boliver T. Higginbotham, R. W. Higginbotham and J. M. Higginbotham, Jeff D. Bartlett and Chas. W. Bartlett. The Secre-

tary of State records show the charter was granted Sept. 9, 1897. Higginbotham's in Dublin was the second unit of the chain, started in 1885 under the title of The Higginbotham Co. It was first incorporated on October 19, 1891 but for some unknown reason was dissolved in 1895. On May 9, 1896, application was made for a new charter and was granted on May 11, 1896. The incorporators were R. W. and J. M. Higginbotham, Thos. L. Higginbotham, W. J. Clay, T. J. Williams, and H. B. Jones.

Another early addition to the organization was the Comanche, Texas store, which was chartered Feb. 20, 1901 with a very liberal and broad scope of operation, granting the privilege to buy, and sell almost any item at retail or wholesale.

A few months later the Gorman store was organized when F. W. Townsend, F. C. Oldham and R. W. Higginbotham purchased a lumber yard from the Chas. Gray Lumber Co. The first charter was applied for on August 16, 1901 and was granted on August 17, 1901. The main store building was built in 1910 with F. W. Townsend as its first manager, with Mr. R. L.

Cooner as assistant manager. This building is used to this date, with certain modifications to comply with changing times.

In 1917 the Gorman store that was being operated as the Townsend-Oldham & Co. was purchased by Higginbotham Bros. & Co. and Mr. T. W. Townsend resigned as store manager.

During the oil boom of 1918 the store built a two story brick building facing Roberts Street and directly across from the Gorman Hotel, which was a modern three-story brick building with the most modern of conveniences.

In September 1918 the discovery of the Duke Oil Well at Desdemona resulted in a great demand for merchandise, especially lumber, which was used to build oil derricks. The large demand depleted the stock and large quantities had to be purchased to meet the demand. The Gorman store opened a temporary lumber yard at Desdemona, which at that time, had no railroad, and all material had to be hauled by trucks or teams, mostly from Gorman or De Leon. A store manager said, "It seemed impossible to secure experienced or efficient help. New oil rigs were going up all over the territory. Then when "dry holes" began to show up, demand slackened. We had over-bought and many cars of lumber had to be taken over by our other yards to relieve these two points, especially Gorman. At that time, the oil rigs used largely heavy timbers and it took time to finally dispose of all the excess we owned. It was a very unhappy experience."

At this time Mr. I. C. Underwood became store manager with his son, Charles Underwood as assistant manager the last 12 years. Mr. I. C. Underwood passed away in

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January, 1956 and Mr. A. R. "Preach" Horton became the manager, moving from the Comanche store where he was working in the hardware department. Mr. Victor C. Yates became store manager in 1961 when Mr. Horton was recalled to active duty with the U. S. Army. On January 1, 1963 James W. Mears became store manager and continues in that capacity to this date.

Mrs. Velma Bennett has returned from a visit in Hobbs, N. M. where she spent the Easter holidays in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Sparger.

Mrs. E. M. Grimes, Mrs. E. R. Townsend, Mrs. Turner Collier, Mrs. R. E. Sikes and Mrs. E. C. Heck, all of Eastland, were guests Monday of Mrs. W. S. Poe of the Gorman Hotel Apartments.

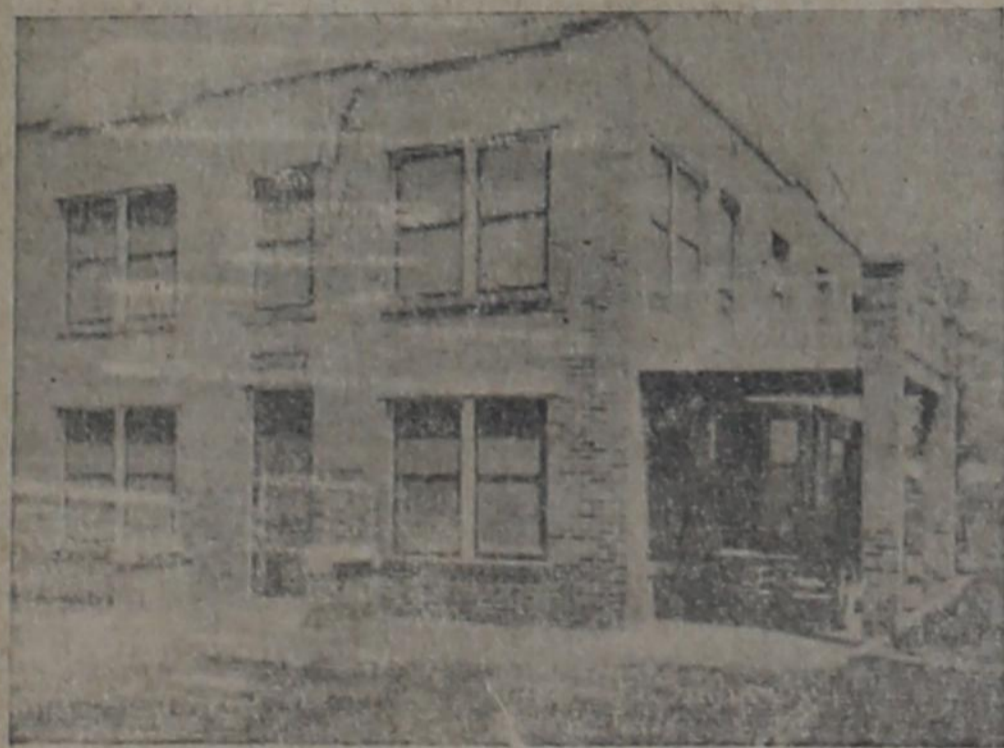


GORMAN STREET SCENE IN 1913

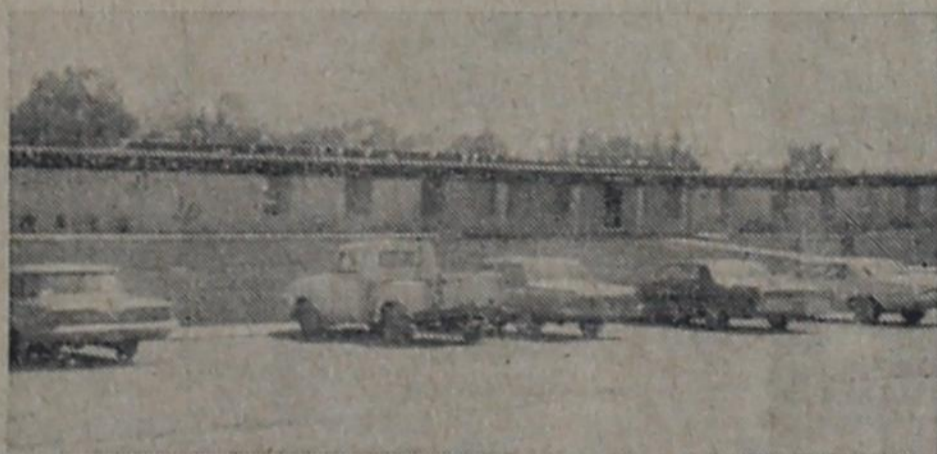
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Welcome

TO EASTLAND COUNTY'S CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION
SATURDAY MAY FIFTH



original Blackwell Hospital in 1920



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This picture shows cars parked at the east end of the new Blackwell Hospital which houses the Blackwell Clinic.

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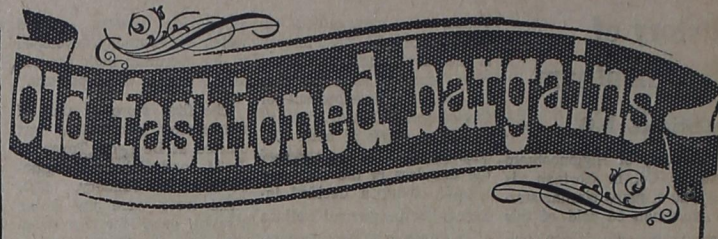
ARMY & NAVY SURPLUS

FIRSTS

First post office at Shinoak in 1888.
 First postmaster Hardy Parker, grandfather of Dorothy Hatcher. (Second postmaster James Coffman, grandfather to Tommie Haile).
 First Mayor, John Hammitt.
 First Hotel, W. R. Kell, 1890.
 First drug store, Ramey and Bennett.
 First dry goods store, E. N. Waldrop.
 First real estate operator, Dr. Ike Plumlee.
 First woman postmistress, Lucy M. Yates, 1891.
 First stone buildings erected by Dr. E. W. Kimble, Tom Hamrick, and the Methodist Church (brick).
 First gin, B. G. Wheeler, others: Love, Canfield, Winters, Combs and Perry.
 First stable owned by Ab Belyeu.
 First interment, child named Markham.
 First cannery, Jim and John Purdy.
 First school teachers: Tucker, Thompson and Professor Bewley.
 First grocery, Jim Emerson.
 First variety store, L. B. Reynolds, father of Mrs. B. E. Wilson and Mrs. Ruby Bennett.
 First railroad, 1888, H&TC.
 First buildings (box), E. N. Waldrop and Bennett.

First shoe repair man, John Koonce.
 First Methodist Church organized by H. S. Anglin.
 First wagon yard, Ed Jones.
 First cars sold, Higginbotham, Ford.
 First cotton buyer, John Neill.
 First boll weevil, about 1900.
 First school on land across Winkler from new housing units.
 First Masonic Hall, same site as first school.
 First ministers in area, Frank McNeely, Hull, Vinson Ayers, Whatley, W. R. King T. M. Collie, Bud Holliman, George Fair, S. F. Russell, J. E. Walker, among others.
 First doctors, George Gray, Ike Plumlee, E. W. Kimble, William H. Summitt, May, W. R. Rush, Roden, Lightfoot, Leggett, Carleton, Joe Gray, J. J. Crume.
 First saloons, Roark brothers from De Leon and Doll Bolden.
 First saddle shop, Bob McAdams.
 First hospital, Blackwell.
 First college, Hankins Normal.
 First waterworks well, at Kent and Roberts.
 First fire brigade, Edgar Walker, Gilford Gray, Dick Gray, Tom Bennett, I. C. Underwood, Frank Dean, Ed Sutton, T. L. Gates, J. W. Carter.
 First newspaper: Wyatt Hall, Paul Keith 2nd; Jim Bennett, 3rd., T. M. Collie, 4th.
 First central telephone office, Ed Wyatt, 2nd. Will Las-

ater.
 First telephone, Depot office to Sipe Springs.
 First tin shop, Martin and Stephens.
 First Opera House, E. F. Stanton, 1899.
 First brick factory, John Hodge.
 First bank, Arthur Waldrop, 1898.
 First hardware shop, Jay and Barton, 1898.
 First blacksmith shop, Bob Rich.
 First photo shop, Will Markum.
 First wagon yard and feed store, Bill Kennison, second, I. M. Stovall.
 First laundry, 1919, J. E. Walker, stockholder. Employees were Mrs. Sally Carwile and daughter, Mrs. Whitley.
 First curbin and sidewalks - 1910. Tom Hamrick building and Col. Young building (now Gorman Progress bldg.). Both curbs and walks are still in good condition.
LANDMARKS
 Some of the old time landmarks in this area are: Bass Lake, now Frank A. Gray Memorial Park; a tank on the Neill Place; Currey Comb Creek, six miles west of Gorman in the Jewell Community, baptising place for Gorman Baptist Church; Old Uncle Jimmy Ellison home at Ellison Springs, over 100 years old and scene of the last Indian fight in the late '60's.
 FOR SALE - Ideal Farm and Ranch Books, Progress office.



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- 2 QUART REG. 1.95
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PYREX MEASURING CUP Sale 69c
- REG. 39c
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- REGULAR 1.19 Sale 99c
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- REG. 19c Now 10c
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POLYESTER SEWING THREAD Sale 33c
- 100% POLYESTER REG. 1.99 To 2.29
DOUBLE KNIT Your Choice \$1.75 Yd.
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- LADIES BRAS** Reg. 3.50 Sale \$2.29
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LADIES PANTY HOSE Reg. 1.75 Sale \$1 pr.
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CURIETY DIAPER Reg. \$4.99 Sale 419
- HOLDS 72 PICTURES BLACK - GREEN & BROWN
PHOTO ALBUMS Reg. \$2.98 Now \$199
- LAWN SPRINKLER** Reg. \$1.69 Sale \$119
- BOOT CUSHIONS** Reg. \$3.49 ?? Sale \$249
- COTTON WORK GLOVES** Reg. 59c Sale 49c
- MEN'S SUPPORTERS** Reg. \$1.50 Sale 79c
- 50 FOOT ALL VINYL
1/2 inch **GARDEN HOSE** Reg. \$2.97 Sale \$249
- WASH CLOTHS** Reg. 25c Sale 19c
- KNITTING WOOL YARN** Reg. 1.29 Sale 99c
- KNIT CRO-SHEEN** Reg. 45c Sale 39c
- RUG YARN (all colors)** Reg. 45c Sale 39c
- CLOTHES PINS** 18 for 92c

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FOR REACHING YOUR 100TH BIRTHDAY

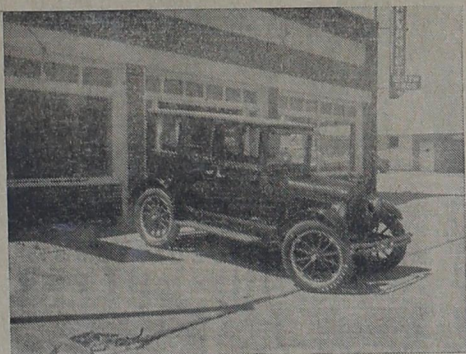
There has been lots of changes since your first birthday - There will be many more during the next 100 years - ? - and we sincerely hope they will be as fruitful as the first 100.

We are proud to say that we have been with you almost half of that time - to be exact - 49 years, 4 months and 3 days (as of May 3, 1973).



1973

49 Years



1924

Yes - we have been here a long time - all this time in Eastland County has been right here in the "Greatest Little City in the World" - Gorman -

It is good people like you that have made To all our friends and customers - from the bottom of our heart - we say 'Thanks' our stay possible.

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