



TO MARK FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY — Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Chambers will be honored Sunday, December 31 at an open house at the Fire Hall. Hosting the 50th wedding anniversary celebration will be the Chambers' children. Guests will call from 2 to 4 p. m.

Invitations will not be mailed. All friends and relatives are invited to attend.



## HULLS

By KERNEL GENE, aPo

"The finest gift a man can give to his age and time is the gift of a constructive and creative life."

- Wilfred A. Petersen

Mr. Petersen had a beautiful thought well worth emulating.

Many of us want to be constructive and creative but only a few are willing to put in the extra hours and effort, without overtime, to achieve our goal. Too many are convinced you and I owe them a living - - and a lot of politicians have the same idea.

I hope you enjoyed 1967 as much as I did. Didn't accomplish all I wanted to but it wasn't the fault of those associated with me. Joe, Estelle and Herman in Gorman and Mrs. C. L. (Nell) Mohon Jr. in De Leon did all they could to keep me out of a rut.

Advertisers and readers of The Gorman Progress and De Leon Palaver were generous in their support of the two papers. All of those we serve through our commercial printing plant were very patient when we were a bit late with their orders - - and most folk were very understanding when we made errors in the paper. This, we appreciated most of all. Putting several thousand words together in three days time plus printing and mailing - plus doing a little visiting and drinking lots of coffee, is quite a chore without making a few errors. Really we have fewer problems than anybody, thanks to each of you.

I regretted having to close my business in De Leon. Thereasa doesn't say much when I work 10 to 12 hours a day but she begins tapping her foot when I put in 18 or more. Most of you men know how wives are when that foot tapping starts.

As a large number of people in De Leon read the Progress, may I express my sincere thanks to all of you for your friendship and patronage. If I can be of service just phone us or come on over.

May all of you enjoy good health, happiness and the ability to be constructive and creative throughout the coming year.

### PROGRESS LIBRARY OPEN TO ALL EVERY DAY

Lots of new citizens in our area do not know that we have a Public Library. It is located next door to the Progress Office and the key hangs just inside our office door. Help yourself!

Everyone is welcome to borrow books from this library. There is no charge, no signatures, no obligation. Starting with about thirty or forty books, Kernel Gene now has several hundred books on the shelves.

If you enjoy reading, stop by and browse around.

Please excuse our library being sort of messed up, but we have had to use part of it to store stock in.

## S. A. BROWN LAID TO REST ON THURSDAY

Samuel Allen Brown, 64, died at his home at 2:45 a. m. Wednesday, December 20, following a lengthy illness.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p. m. Thursday, December 21 at the Higginbotham Funeral Chapel with Rev. Joe S. Davis, pastor of the First Methodist Church, officiating. Burial was in Simpson Cemetery under the direction of Higginbotham Funeral Home.

Born June 22, 1903 in Barnsville, Georgia, he was married to Bobby Inez Mangum on November 29, 1951 in Truth or Consequences, N. M. He was a retired railroad employee and veteran of World War II.

Survivors are his wife; one brother, Amos W. Brown, and one sister, Mrs. Lois Garrett, both of Barnsville, Georgia.

Pallbearers were Gene Baker, Graydon Baze, Lonnie Capers, Oda Monroe, Clayton Cook and Bill Parr.

## The Henry Hines To Observe 50th Anniversary Dec 30

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hines will observe their 50th Wedding Anniversary with a reception in the Carbon Baptist Church in Carbon on Saturday, December 30, from 2 to 5 p. m.

Henry and Willie were married in Carbon on December 3, 1917 by Bro. Hightower. They have resided on their farm five miles west of Carbon since their marriage. Both have lived in the Carbon community since childhood. Mrs. Hines is the former Willie Rebecca Black.

Mr. and Mrs. Hines have two daughters, Mrs. L. D. McCurry and Mrs. Charles Adair, both of Houston, who will be hostesses for the reception.

No formal invitations are being mailed but all friends and relatives are cordially invited to attend.

### CARD OF THANKS

To those who have failed to thank personally, we want to take this means of expressing our appreciation for all the acts of kindness and sympathy shown us during the passing of our loved one.

We want to especially thank Mr. and Mrs. Donald Bolt for opening their home to us and Mrs. Bernice Jeffs for her kind attention.

The Family of Ronald Jackson

### CORRECTION

It has been called to our attention by Allen Foreman of the Desdemona Schools that the score reported for consolation division winner in the Gorman Invitational Basketball Tournament was incorrect. We published the score to be 63-44 in favor of De Leon over Desdemona and it should have been 54-48.

Thanks Allen, we appreciate you calling our attention to this error.



May your fortunes rise to new heights. Good health, good friends abide with you the whole year through.

## Postal Rates To Be Increased As Of January 7th.

Increased rates for all classes of mail except parcel post and international mail will go into effect January 7, Postmaster G. W. Baze reminded postal customers today.

"Even with the new rates of six cents for first-class mail and 10 cents for air mail, postal service is still a real bargain," Mr. Baze declared. "For six cents you can send a letter to any of the 50 states, to any United States territory or possession, to Canada or Mexico or to an American serviceman stationed anywhere in the world."

Postmaster Baze pointed out that the new rate for post cards will be five cents and for air mail post cards eight cents.

He said the added cent in the letter rate is a 20 per cent increase compared to a 34 per cent hike for advertising circulars, "Occupant" mail, and other material in the third-class category.

The new rate of six cents per ounce for first-class mail applies up to 13 ounces and the new rate of 10 cents per ounce for air mail applies up to 7 ounces. Under the new rate structure all first-class mail over 13 ounces and all air mail over 7 ounces will be merged into a single category.

These heavier pieces of first-class and air mail subject to the single category rate schedule will be delivered by the fastest available means of transportation. A flat rate of 80 cents will be

charged for all mail in this category up to one pound. For all mail weighing more than one pound, the present air parcel post rates will continue to apply, except that the postage on matter weighing between one and five pounds will change at half-pound intervals rather than one pound intervals.

Postmaster Baze said that the new rate structure will mean a reduction of postage on some parcels.

Another rate change that will affect the general public is the increase from four to six cents for the two ounces of individual pieces of third-class mail. Unsealed greeting cards may be sent at this rate, Baze said.

He emphasized that the new rate on unsealed greeting cards will not go into effect until January 7 and until then they can be mailed at the old rate of four cents.

Higher rates also will go into effect January 7 for all categories of second-class mail, bulk-rate third-class mail, controlled circulation mail, and the educational materials category of fourth-class mail. Mailers using these classes who need information on the new rates should contact the local Post Office, Mr. Baze concluded.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jack Harrison during the holidays were their children, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Phillips and Jim of Texarkana, Ark., and Jackie Harrison of Fort Worth; his brothers, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harrison of Arlington and Mr. and Mrs. Leo Harrison of Cedar Hill; his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Dixon, Rusty and Vickie of Fort Worth; and his mother, Mr. and Mrs. Hudson Collins of Eastland.



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS from Trace Elements and Agriculture, Inc., hosts for open house for friends and customers on Saturday, December 16th, were (left to right) Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Sayer and Jack Brown, co-owners of Trace Elements and Agriculture, Inc., Doyle Welch, and employee, and Joel Sayer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sayer.

## LAST RITES FOR A. S. JACKSON HELD TUESDAY

Archie Strickland Jackson, 81, of Carbon, a resident of Eastland County for 59 years, died at 8:25 p. m. Sunday at Blackwell Hospital following a lengthy illness. Services were held at 2 p. m. Tuesday in the Carbon Baptist Church with the Rev. Bruce McNair, pastor, officiating, assisted by the Rev. Dick Murray. Burial was in Murray Memorial Cemetery under the direction of Higginbotham Funeral Home.

Born October 20, 1886 in Monroe Parish, La., he married Jewel Vaughn January 5, 1919 in Carbon. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife; six sons, Leland of Hobbs, N. M., Lavern of Carbon, Bobbie Joe of Odessa, Heppy of Carbon, Dwain of Bolivar, Mo., and Drew Dan Jackson of Carbon; three daughters, Mrs. Lou Ann Griffith of Midland, Betty of Oklahoma City, Okla., and Mrs. Patsy Sims of Graham; two brothers, Jim of Brownfield and Alma of Texarkana, Ark.; two half-brothers, Edward of Graham and William of Tyler; two sisters, Mrs. Sally Wood of Colorado City and Mrs. Grace Reed of Carbon; two half-sisters, Mrs. Dorothy Capers of Eastland and Mrs. Geneva Taylor of Andrews; step-mother, Mrs. Leona Jackson of Carbon; and 17 grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Mack Stubblefield, Truman Bryant, Marvin Hale, Henry Hines, Dulin Sandlin and Charles Morgan.

## FINAL RITES FOR ANNIE KOONCE AT DESDEMONA

Funeral services were held on Sunday, December 17, 1967, at 2:30 p. m. in the First Baptist Church in Desdemona for Mrs. Annie Laura Koonce, with Rev. Robert Jeffery, pastor, officiating, assisted by Rev. Derrell Dosey. Music was rendered by Mrs. Pearl Spruill, Andy Hudson, C. L. Mohon, Jr., and Homer Harford, accompanied by Mrs. Clara Gray at the piano.

Mrs. Koonce was born on January 30, 1886 in Comanche County, and passed away on December 15, 1967, in the De Leon Hospital at the age of 81 years, 10 months, and 15 days. She was a member of the Primitive Baptist Church in De Leon, and had lived in Comanche County all of her life.

She was preceded in death by her husband on February 9, 1940. She is survived by three sons, Clyde of Odessa, W. D. of Dallas, and Moody Koonce of Desdemona; four step-sons, B. O., Z. L., R. C., and J. N. Koonce, all of Desdemona; one step-daughter, Mrs. A. A. Brown of De Leon; two grandchildren and a host of other relatives and friends.

Interment was in the Desdemona Cemetery with Nabors Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers were C. M. Guthery, Bill Greenhaw, Raymond Lindley, Winford Lindley, John Holland, and R. M. Pack.

## The Gene Sniders Host Friends At New Home Dec. 16

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Snider held open house Saturday, December 16 at their new home four miles north of Gorman.

Assisting Mr. and Mrs. Snider as hostesses and showing guests the new home were Mesdames Calvin Brown, Odis Rodgers, Ray Rodgers, Claude Fuller, B. E. Simpson, Cullen Rodgers, Durwood Burgess, Troy Johnson, Bill Joiner, Ollie Rodgers, J. W. Henderson and Jim Jordan.

The brown brick three bedroom was built on the 180 acre irrigated peanut farm purchased last year by Mr. and Mrs. Snider. The home features a combination den and living room paneled in ash paneling. The kitchen walls and cabinets are also of ash.

The house is carpeted throughout in gold carpeting with all walls of Magnolia color. The large bath is done in white and gold. The home also features a large utility room and single car garage.

The Sniders have one daughter, Cathy, age 3.

Some sixty guests signed the register book.

Oscar Treadway and Dean Collins were builders of the home.

## John Suttons Win First Place Award Lighting Contest

Mr. and Mrs. John Sutton were first place winner in the Christmas Lighting Contest sponsored by the Gorman Chamber of Commerce. They were awarded an Electric Reddy Lite by Texas Electric Service Co.

The Ray Williams home received second prize. They were awarded \$15.00 Third prize went to the Oda Brightwells. They received an award of 10.00. Both second and third prizes were presented by the Chamber of Commerce.

Out of town judges named the winning selections.

Other entries included Mrs. Gene Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Porter, the James Mears, and Vicki Simmons.

### CARD OF THANKS

To those who so kindly ministered to our mother in her last illness and to those who were so kind and thoughtful at her passing, to those who sent food and those who gave the lovely floral offering, we thank you from the depth of our hearts. May God bless each one is our prayer.

Families of Mrs. Annie Koonce

Junious Leazar of Fort Worth visited on Wednesday and Thursday with his mother, Mrs. Nona Leazar. Other holidays visitors were her daughters, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Wylie of Ranger and Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Pruitt of Crane.

## ITEMS OF INTEREST

Members of the Gorman Volunteer Fire Department have postponed their regular meeting from the first Monday in January to Monday, January 8th. The meeting will be held at the Brown Jug Steak House. Election of officers for the coming year will be held according to Vardie Huff, Chief.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Bolt invite all friends and relatives to attend the wedding of their daughter, Edith, to Mr. William Kermit Dunn on Friday, December 29, at 8:00 p. m. in the Gorman First Methodist Church.

Don't forget the New Year's Singing at Oliver Springs on Sunday, December 31st. Come sing with us. Refreshments will be served.

Mrs. Homer Richardson

The Gorman Lions Club will meet Tuesday, January 2nd, at the Brown Jug Steak House.

Singing out the old and singing in the New Year will be held Sunday night, December 31 at Sand Hill. Everyone is invited. Refreshments will be served.

The Friday Afternoon Duplicate Bridge Club meets each Friday at 1:30 p. m. at the Fire Hall.

Voter Registration application blanks are available in all business houses. All persons are required to register to be eligible to vote in the 1968 elections.

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

The Gorman Rebekah Lodge meets each Tuesday evening.

## First Baptist Church To Show Film Sunday Night

"Berkeley; A New Kind of Revolution," produced by World Wide Pictures in cooperation with Campus Crusade for Christ will be shown at the First Baptist Church on Sunday night, December 31st at 7 p. m.

This film, narrated in part by Billy Graham, shows the response of today's generation to a clear and honest presentation of the claims of Christ. It is a film that shows the challenge that Christianity faces today and makes the Christian aware of the responsibilities that are his.

Everyone is invited and urged to attend.

### CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank this time to thank everyone for the many cards, gifts and flowers sent to me, and also the visits to see me since I come to the Nursing Home.

May God bless you and A Happy New Year to All! Holland Kirk

# Best Wishes

# of the Season

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## B&B SPORTS

**Herman and Joe Bennett**  
December 30  
Gator Bowl, Jacksonville, Fla. — Florida State (7-2-1) vs. Penn State (8-2).  
December 31st - AFL Division Playoff for Super Bowl and NFL Division Playoff for Super Bowl.

Sun Bowl, El Paso — Mississippi (5-3-1) vs. Texas-El Paso (6-2-1).  
December 30th - East-West Shrine Game - San Francisco.

January 7th - Super Bowl in the Orange Bowl at Miami, Fla.  
January 21st - AFL All-Pro Bowl.

January 1  
Rose Bowl, Pasadena, Calif. — Southern California (9-1) vs. Indiana (9-1).

Orange Bowl, Miami, Fla. — Oklahoma (8-1) vs. Tenn. (8-1).  
Sugar Bowl — Wyoming (10-0) vs. Louisiana State (6-3-1).

Cotton Bowl, Dallas — Alabama (7-1-1) vs. Texas A&M (6-4).  
January 6th - Senior Bowl at Mobile, Alabama.

January 7th - Super Bowl in the Orange Bowl at Miami, Fla.  
January 21st - AFL All-Pro Bowl.

### B&B

Jack Brown came by the Progress office Tuesday. (Jack said something about there only being three days left in the "Year of the Horns!" Wonder what he was talking about? ?). It seems he had had a few unkind words about the way we had been picking A&M this year and said anyone could do better than we had at picking the winners each week. He felt so sure he could do better, that we challenged him to pick these games with us and here is his predictions:

### JACK'S JEWELS

Florida State over Penn State  
Mississippi over UT-El Paso  
Oakland (AFL) over Houston  
Dallas (NFL) over Green Bay  
USC over Indiana  
Oklahoma over Tennessee  
Wyoming over LSU  
Texas A&M over Alabama  
LA Rams (NFL) over Cleveland  
NFL over AFL (Super Bowl)

### B&B PREDICTS

Florida State over Penn State  
Mississippi over UT-El Paso  
Houston over Oakland  
Dallas over Green Bay  
(how about 2 Texas teams in Super Bowl?)  
USC over Indiana  
Oklahoma over Tennessee  
Wyoming over LSU  
Alabama over Texas A&M  
LA Rams over Cleveland Browns  
NFL over AFL (Super Bowl)

### B&B

Guests in the home of Mr. C. R. Rodgers during the holidays were his children, Mr. and Mrs. Wade Craddock, Mr. and Mrs. Bibby and family and Mrs. Veda Burns and family of Grand Prairie, and Mr. and Mrs. Roy D. Rodgers of California.



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## Homemaker's Hints

By Mrs. Janet Thomas  
County Home Demonstration Agt.  
Eastland County

Eastland County 4-H Club boys and girls are beginning their three month tour of Livestock Shows on December 31 at the Sand Hills Hereford & Quarter Horse Show in Odessa. Those boys and girls from Eastland County who will have entries at the show are: Lynne Pippen, Tommie Lee, Bobby Lee, and Scily and Joe Heyser. These entries include six steers and one heifer.

Only Hereford cattle, fine-wool sheep, and Quarter Horses are allowed to show at this annual livestock show. Odessa is one of the few if not the only major livestock show that is this restrictive in its breeds of livestock allowed to enter.

Following the Odessa show, the exhibitors will exhibit in other major livestock shows including: Abilene, Fort Worth, San Antonio, and Houston as well as the local Cisco and Eastland County shows. We wish them the best of luck in the 1968 Livestock Show Season.

The County 4-H Christmas Party was held Monday night, December 18th in First Christian Annex. The party was conducted by Bobby Lee, who is chairman of the County 4-H Council. Recreation was led by Carter Hounsell, Cynthia Hounsell, Tommie Lee, Caddy Lee and Bobby Lee. The church annex was decorated by Scot Miller, Sharon Stedum and Suzanne Harbin. Scot Miller of the Morton Valley Club and Suzanne Harbin of the Eastland

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Lynn Clark, Cathy and Riekey of Everman, spent the Christmas and New Years holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Clark and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Rodgers.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Mears spent the Christmas holidays in Arlington with their son, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mears.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Hallmark, Cecil, Jerry and Vicki of Sunland, Calif. arrived December 17 for the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Hallmark.

4-H Club registered the guest as they arrived. Sharon Stedum of the Eastland 4-H Club was in charge of the exchange of gifts. Some 67 4-Hers and parents attended the Christmas Party. Refreshments were served by Brenda Browder, Annette Jackson, Jeanette Jackson and Bobby Williams, all of the Gorman 4-H Club.

### DATES TO REMEMBER:

December 27-28: 4-H Livestock Judging Team training sessions.  
December 31: Closing of entries

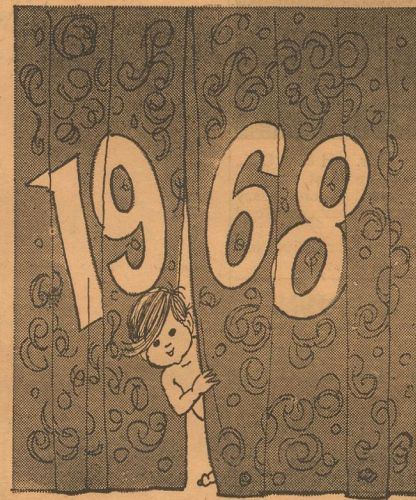
for the Houston Livestock Show. January 6: District Adult Leaders Assn. Meeting.

January 13: District 4-H Council Executive Committee Meeting.

**Fall Bargain Rates Effective Now on Abilene Reporter-News Mail Subscriptions - Daily and Sunday one year \$17.95; Daily only \$15.95. Fort Worth Star-Telegram Mail Subscriptions - Daily and Sunday one year \$18.95; Daily Only \$14.95. Fort Worth Press, six days a week for \$8.95. For subscriptions see Estelle Craddock at the Progress office, RE 4-5410.**



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**FOR SALE - Feed Mills. Jobe Equipment, RE 4-2274. 11-9-fnc**

**NOTICE - Make your Reservations now for Christmas Parties to be held in our formal dining room. Brown Jug Steak House, Phone RE 4-2205. 11-23fnc**

**FOR SALE - D17 Allis-Chalmers Tractor and equipment, two years old. Priced to sell. J. D. McMasters, Desdemona, Ph 2512. 12-7fnc**

**HELP WANTED - Apply at Brown Jug Steak House, Gorman. RE 4-2205. 12-7fnc**

**FOR SALE - Jenny Lynn Bed and springs. Estelle Craddock, RE 4-5410. 12-7fnc**

**REAL ESTATE - If you want to buy or sell real estate contact Don Rodgers at the Progress Library. 12-7fnc**

**FOR SALE - Hundreds of used clothing at a bargain. See Don Rodgers at Progress Library. fnc**

**LOST - Black Angus Bull, wt. about 750 pounds. Strayed from my farm just back of Murray Cemetery, Carbon on December 13. Call RE 4-5367 or RE 4-5410. Troy Johnson, Gorman. 12-21fnc**

**FOR RENT - Furnished Apartments and Rooms. Gorman Hotel. Call RE 4-9610 or Mehaffey Drug RE 4-5616. 12-28-fnc**

**WANTED - Washing & Ironing to be done in my home. Will pick up and deliver for those who do not have transportation. Mrs. Hallie Clark, Phone RE4-5370. 1-12-28c**

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# PRE Inventory Sale

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Wednesday, January 3 And Thursday, January 4 For Inventory

## Furniture Clearance

- 6x9 BRAIDED RUGS - 35% Nylon - Regular \$19.95 - SALE \$15.95
- 9x12 BRAIDED RUGS - 35% Nylon - Reg. \$37.95 - SALE \$28.84
- 12x15 BRAIDED RUGS - 35% Nylon - Reg. \$59.95 - SALE \$50.68
- 2 PC. SOFA BED SUITE - Was \$159.50 - SALE \$109.50
- EARLY AMERICAN SOFA - Was \$269.50 - NOW \$169.95
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- ELEC. AUTOMATIC PERCULATOR - 8.95 - Now \$6.95
- 14 TRANSISTOR RADIO - Reg. \$14.95 - Sale \$9.77
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- TEFLON IRONING BOARD COVERS - 89c - Sale 59c
- 12<sup>2</sup> CABLE ELECTRIC WIRE - Reg. 8 1/2 Ft - Now 5 1/2c
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## KEEPING UP WITH FRIENDS

Visiting during the holidays in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Nick Duggan were their children, Mr. and Mrs. Lynboy Aldredge of Fairbanks, Alaska, Mr. and Mrs. James McGilroy and children of Garland, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Smith and son of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. William R. Duggan and children of Lancaster, Mr. and Mrs. Nickie Duggan and children of Waxahatchie, Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Stephens and son of Denton. Other relatives were Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Simmons, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Shoemaker and daughter, all of Fort Worth, Mrs. Scythia Bagwell, Mr. and Mrs. Oda Monroe, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rodgers, all of Gorman, Mr. and Mrs. Clydell Lewis, Mrs. Dave Lewis of Desdemona, and friends, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Parker of Gorman.

O. T. Shell, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Shell and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Shell and families visited Christmas Day in Grand Prairie in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Kirk.

Visitors in the home of Mrs. Nettie Isbell and Frances over the holidays were her children, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Rodgers of Receda, Calif., Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Payne, Ronnie and Jean Ann of Snyder, and Mr. and Mrs. Pat Isbell of Grand Prairie.

Holiday visitors in the home of Mrs. J. A. Baze were her children, Mr. and Mrs. Mavis Baze of Rawlins, Montana, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Baze, Connie and Adrianna of Midlothian, Mr. and

Mrs. J. B. Baze of Fort Worth and son, John of Denton, Mr. and Mrs. Rayneal Baze and David of Eastland, Mr. and Mrs. Graydon Baze, Bill and Paulette and Joe Ed of Walder. Also Mrs. Mary Bullman of Midlothian and Chester and Inez Baze of Maypearl.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Eakin and children of Pleasanton visited Sunday and Monday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Q. Eakin and Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Broom, and with his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Dean Stacy.

Visitors Christmas Day with Mrs. C. H. Stacy were her children, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Stacy and family, Mr. and Mrs. Junior Stacy and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Stacy and Terry, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Stacy, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer J. Stacy and Dennis, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Whitt and Stacy Dean, Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Stacy, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Morgan and family, and Miss Carole Rankin, a guest of Lana Stacy.

Holiday visitors in the home of Mrs. Ruby Bennett were her children, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Bennett and Joe of Eastland, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bennett, Charles, Ernest and Debra of Weatherford, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bennett, Gary and Mike of Cleburne, and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bennett, Lonnie and Joetta of Gorman.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Self and family and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bennett and family visited Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Rhyne, in Carbon.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Bassett of Odessa visited during the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Roberts.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Bell and son Chuck visited her mother, Mrs.

Effie Broom for the Christmas holidays.

Holiday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Norris were Mr. and Mrs. Ed Drury of Oulestee, Okla., Fred Norris of Eldorado, Oklahoma, Mr. and Mrs. Lon Norris and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Norris of Carbon, Mrs. Ethel Levens of Eastland, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest McNally of Komo, also Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cartright of Denton, Mr. and Mrs. Finas Ottwell of Fort Worth and Mr. and Mrs. Darwin West and family of Morton Valley and Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Storey and family of Mineral Wells.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Anderson of Huntsville and Mrs. W. A. Williams of Rising Star were holiday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rhymes.



Christopher Anderson lived on an island in the Pacific—by chance, not choice. He came by this situation because he was a member of the legion of itchy feet. He was a loner, a world traveler; a man who knew no one, a man no one knew.

Christopher had recently left the comforts of civilization and set out to sail around the world in an outrigger canoe. Because he didn't particularly like people, Christopher didn't bother to tell anyone about his plans. Early one morning he stepped into the canoe and put out to sea. There was no one to miss him and the few people who had seen him lounging around the docks or in one of the nearby bars knew only that he was gone and that an outrigger canoe was missing. Those who had any concern in the matter at all believed the canoe would turn up somewhere sooner or later.

### Not True

They were quite wrong. The canoe came upon a restless sea and was smashed against the jutting reefs of an unmarked island.



The fire had been going several days. Tonight it would die.

Christopher Anderson washed up on a small atoll. With low tides, he made his way across a series of reefs until he found the largest island in the chain. It was not a big place; but it did afford fresh water, some edible plant life, and a shallow lagoon where Christopher could, when the urge of hunger became strong enough, catch a fish or two with a homemade spear.

It was a nice island. Unfortunately, it was well away from the sea lanes. Islands and coral reefs kept ships far, far away.

At first, Christopher didn't mind. He could be as happy here as he could anywhere else in the world... for about a week.

Came the tenth day, and Christopher's feet were quite itchy. But all he could do was scratch. He began to think about, to hope for, even to pray for the sight of a ship in the distance. He scoured the island and the surrounding reefs, picking up every shred of flotsam he could find. He placed it in the center of the highest point of the atoll. One packet of matches, which he had kept in his pocket, in a watertight container, had survived with him. So had his wallet. After thoroughly drying in the sun each fragment of paper in his wallet, Christopher managed to get a fire going just as darkness began to settle over the islands—on his twelfth day.

### One Thing

Perhaps because even the man who doesn't care much still cannot completely abandon hope, Christopher had saved one thing from his wallet. A calendar. Each morning he punched a hole in the date. This morning he had made his last mark. He had punched a hole through December 31st. The fire had been going several days. Tonight it would die. Christopher had scoured far and wide, but could find nothing else to burn.

So it was that on this very black night, the moon hidden by low-hanging clouds, Christopher Anderson welcomed the New Year by watching his fire turn into glowing embers.

Other people were doing things. Some welcomed the New Year with parties and celebrations. Some relaxed before the warmth of an open fireplace.

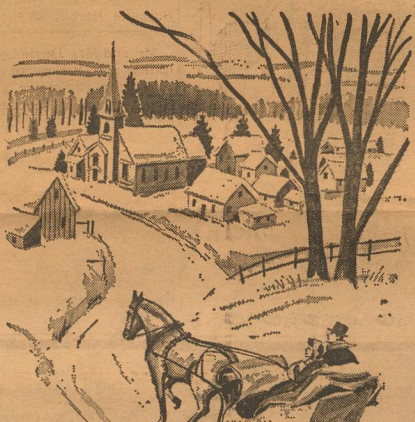
John Whalen, first mate on an Australian tanker, leaned idly on the port rail staring out across the sea. For just a moment, he thought he saw a glow of light in the distance. "Can't be, John old boy," he said to himself. "That's reef-land out there. Time for you to get some sleep. Tomorrow is another day."

He tossed a cigarette overboard and started toward the galley. A cup of coffee would surely taste fine before bed time.

Tomorrow was another year. John Whalen, like most people, hoped the New Year would be kind to him. But he doubted one day could make much difference one way or another.

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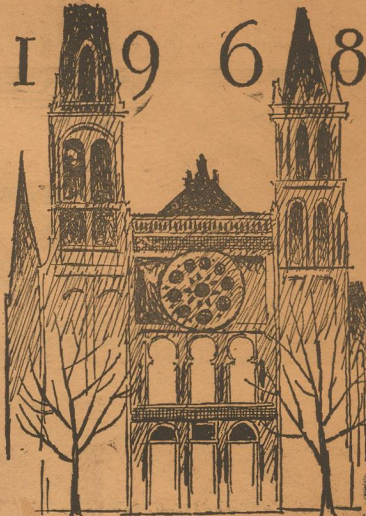
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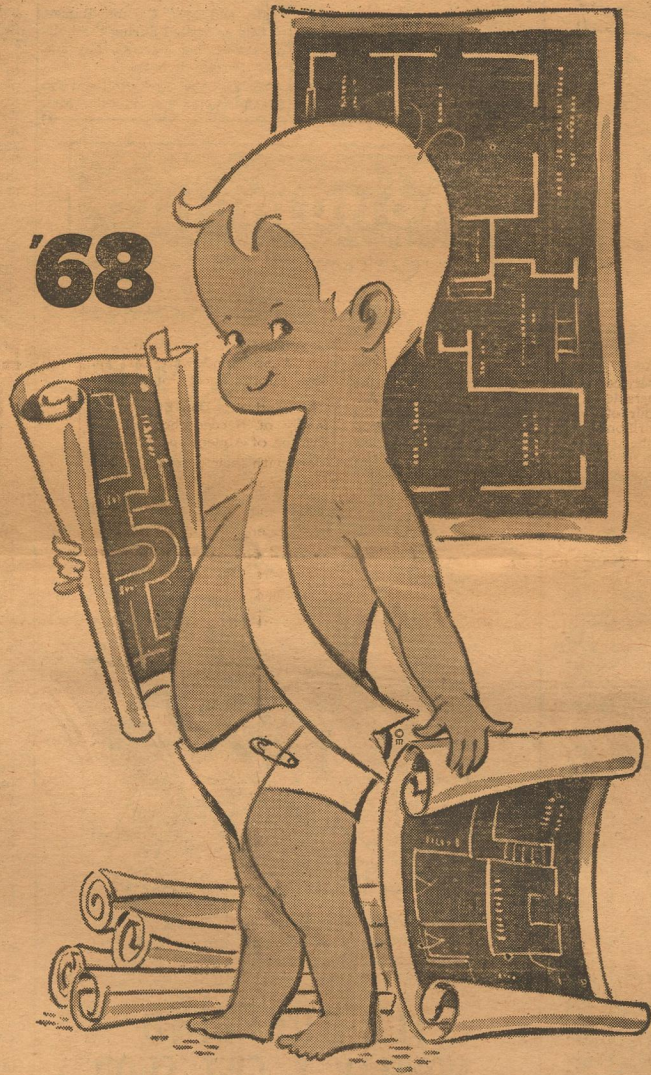


## Happy New Year

Sincere wishes for a very happy and prosperous 1968.

Mr. & Mrs. Dick Foster and Family

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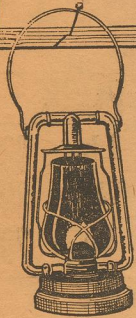
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**Happy New Year**  
We hope the New Year holds many happy times for you and yours.

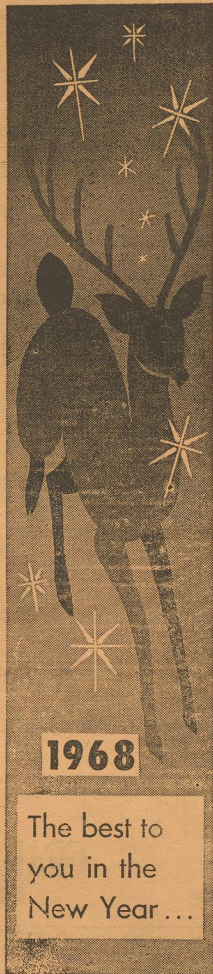


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**IN EDINBURG**

Enormous crowds gather outside the Tron Church, in Edinburg, on New Year's Eve, to wait for midnight. As soon as the clock strikes twelve there is an outburst of shouted good wishes, handshakes, toasts, and reels danced to the wild music of bagpipes.



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**New Year Foods**



Since New Year's Day is the time for reunions of families and friends, feasting naturally is a chief pastime. And throughout the world this holiday is associated with certain foods believed to bring good luck to the diners. Often, too, there is an exchange of dishes between friends. Some modern eating customs on this date can be traced to ancient eras. Serving sweets, for example, goes back to the time when sugar cane was discovered. A favorite Roman food was honey; apples dipped in honey were also a feature of Hebrew New Year observances, which take place sometime between September 6 and October 5.

Some American Indians associated New Year's Day with acorns and salmon. They made a ceremony of eating these at this time. In our southwestern states, Texas, for instance, there was a belief that good fortune would come to those who ate black-eyed peas on January 1. This goes back to England from which settlers brought the idea to Virginia. Black-eyed peas were considered a delicacy from the time of our first President. And the turkey has long been the main dish on many

tables in the United States when friends gather to honor a New Year.

In some parts of the globe, people believe that a full salt shaker foretells a good year. India serves only new foods at this date, as they think the cooking of new rice assures prosperity. Rice cakes are used as New Year offerings in Ceylon. At some places, there are taboos on certain edibles on this date. For example, the Chinese refrain from rice, and Germans from dumplings.

**Lamb Said It**

**No One Is Indifferent**

Charles Lamb put it very concisely when he said that "No one ever regarded the First of January with indifference."

Curiosity, hope and superstition have marked man's observance of the New Year for centuries.

Among superstitious beliefs was that "dipping" provided an insight into the future. Dipping involved the opening of the family Bible while the head of the house, with eyes closed, indicated a passage with his finger; the text, supposedly properly interpreted, was supposed to foretell the good or bad luck in store in the months ahead.

Man has always been as curious about what the future

holds as he has been eager to learn about all things unknown. Have you ever noticed how many "forecasters" are present at New Year parties and gatherings? Almost everyone can tell you what is going to happen in the world of business and finance, in politics, in affairs of state, in our relations with other countries around the world.

Be indifferent about the New Year? It's hardly possible. Try as you may, you cannot help but dwell for a moment upon the personal events and happenings of 1967. And, you cannot deny that you have some hopes and plans for 1968.

We hope that is a very good year for you.

**WATCH NIGHT**

At the Watch Night service in New York's noted Riverside church, there is an "hour of significance"; then the carillon in the tower announces the arrival of the New Year. This is a great contrast to the noisy observance in Times Square, but both are typical of the way the United States heralds the coming year. No doubt how one celebrates, he will wish with William Cullen Bryant; "The good old year is past, oh be the new as kind!"

**TIME'S MARCH**

The New Year is born at the starting point of time, the Admiralty's date line, near the Chatham Islands in New Zealand. From this point, the line curves east and west of the 180th meridian in such a way that it lies always in the ocean. Leaving the islands, the New Year moves to Australia, Asia, Europe and most of South America before it reaches American shores at Maine. It takes three more hours for it to reach California.

**KOKOMO NEWS**

By MRS. GLENN JORDAN

We wish each of you a very happy New Year.

A large crowd attended the Christmas program at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Wednesday night. The program was an inspiration to all and Santa was a delight to young and old alike.

Mr. and Mrs. Nat Mearse, Lanice, Denise and Teresa of Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph O'Neal and Bill or Fort Worth, and Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Shackelford, Camilla and Melissa of Dumas, spent the Christmas holidays with their parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. W. O'Neal.

Army Spec. 4 and Mrs. Roy Buchanan of Sierra Vista, Ariz. arrived on Saturday for a two weeks visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hendricks and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Buchanan in Bradshaw. Mrs. Fannie Belle Eppler, Paula, Billy and Edward of Abilene, and Mrs. W. A. O'Neal of Gorman were visiting in the Hendricks home on Saturday night and Sunday. Other visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Jordan and Mrs. Roddy Miles of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Roddy Miles of Abilene spent Saturday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Jordan, and Teddy. Other visitors in the Jordan home on Saturday were Mrs. Wordene Hawthorne, Clint and Clay of Dallas, Mrs. Suzie Wharton of Carbon, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jordan and Mrs. Clifford Nelson and Cassie of Carbon.

Mrs. Hawthorne and sons and Mrs. Wharton also visited with Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Crawley on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Rodgers of Austin spent the weekend here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Odie Rodgers and in Gorman with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bob Browning.

Myrna Webb of Miami, Florida spent the Christmas holidays here with her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Oren Webb, Judy, Jamie and Stacy. Other visitors in the Webb home were Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Jacobs of Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Everton and family of Nacogdoches and Pat Everton of Abilene spent the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elver Everton and Cecil.

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Gothard of O'Brien, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gothard and Courtney of Highland, Mrs. Wordene Hawthorne, Clint and Clay of Dallas, Mrs.

Suzie Fharton of Carbon, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Nelson and Cassie of Carbon, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Nelson of Arlington, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Jordan and Teddy and Mrs. Ollie Nelson of Gorman spent Christmas Day in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jordan.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne White spent last weekend visiting their daughters and families, Mr. and Mrs. James Butler and children in Dallas and Mr. and Mrs. Dwaine Dennis and family in Jefferson.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Bramlett Jr. of Weatherford, Okla. are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Joiner and Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Bramlett, Sr. during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Morrow of Fort Worth spent Tuesday night with his brother, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Morrow.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Graham and Patricia of Monahans spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Q. Graham, and with a sister, Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Eaves and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Norris and Jackie of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Neil Eaves, Donald, Mack and Delores of Weatherford, and Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Eaves, Mark and Deliah, spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. C.

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Eaves.

Glendal Laminack of Graham spent Tuesday night with the D. F. Eaves family.

J. C. Donaldson of Andrews visited with friends at Kokomo on Sunday.

Visitors at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday morning were Mr. and Mrs. Dale Bishop, Larry, Wayne and Tim of Cross Plains, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Rodgers of Austin, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Bramlett, Jr. of Weatherford, Okla., Mr. and Mrs. Nat Mearse, Lanice, Denise and Teresa of Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Shackelford, Camilla and Melissa of Dumas, Mrs. Fannie Belle Eppler, Paula, Billy and Edward of Abilene, Mrs. W. A. O'Neal of Gorman, and Byrna Webb of Miami, Fla.

Visitors on Sunday night were Mr. and Mrs. Mearse and family, Mr. Shackelford and Camilla and Joseph O'Neal of Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Henderson spent Christmas Day in Whit-

ney with his sister, Mrs. J. Q. Chatham, and niece, Mrs. Lillie M. Prentice.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Fuller, Christi and Ricky, spent Christmas Day in De Leon with Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Platt and Mr. and Mrs. Theron Platt and Lila Ruth.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Crawley spent Christmas with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Strube of Comanche.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dennis and family of Midland and Mr. and Mrs. Claude Fuller and family were dinner guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Q. D. Fuller, on Wednesday.

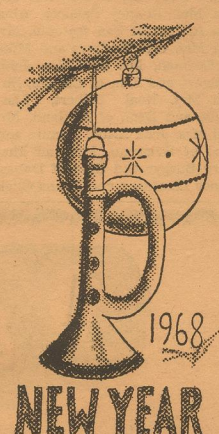
Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Scitern and family of Fort Worth were holiday visitors with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Lasater and the Alvis Sciterns.

My apologies to all whose news I didn't get due to our phone lines being down.



It is our sincere wish that 1968 be a year of happiness, success and achievement for you and yours. Best of everything to all our friends.

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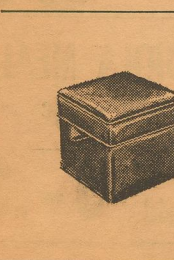
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**CARD OF THANKS**

I want to thank all of you for your prayers, those of you who sent cards, flowers, and gifts. A very special thanks to all of you who came to visit me in my recent stay in the hospital. I want to thank Dr. Rodgers, Dr. Foster, the nurses and entire hospital staff for being so nice to me. I also want to thank Mrs. Wilbur Shell and Mrs. Bill Parr. I want to give a thanks to Audy Moore.

On behalf of my Daddy, I want to thank all of the men who came to help him finish his peanut crop.

You were all so nice and kind. May God bless each and every one of you.

Debra Smith and family

**New Year Visit**

BY WALLER SCOTT

There are things you should do, right things, that you shirk and dodge, evade and put off—until you run out of excuses. You say to yourself, "O.K. I'll do it." And, almost immediately, you look for some reasonable way to crawlfish again.

Karen Cole knew that she was committed. Far below the night lights of Chicago faded into the distance. When the wheels of the plane touched down at Louisville she would be face-to-face with the Coles—the in-laws she had never seen.

There was no escape. They would know her. Jim had sent photos of the wedding ceremony. She couldn't pass them by as a stranger would do and go on her way again. She had to face them.

It had been two months since Jim had been officially declared missing in Vietnam. It was shortly thereafter when she received the first of several invitations to visit the Coles. She had ignored them as long as possible.



The Coles were not what Karen expected.

Karen had been somewhat possessed with the Christmas spirit, perhaps, when she answered the seventh invitation and agreed to come for the New Year holiday.

Persistent Give them credit, she thought. The Coles had been as persistent with their invitations as they had been in their efforts to prevent their only son from marrying a girl they had never seen. Karen was certain the marriage would never have taken place if Jim had given them more than the few hours warning that he was getting married. A notice that scarcely gave them time to get to California. But, how they had burned up the telephone wires!

It was to be a miserable holiday. Karen could see it in her mind's eye. Old snapshots. Countless stories of all the "cute" things Jim did as a youngster. His achievements at school and college. Tears here and there.

But, at least, it would be a one-time affair. She would meet them, hear them out, listen to their tales and stories, and then return to her job in Chicago, nursing her grief and hoping, as she continued to hope, that one day word would come that Jim was safe and well.

**Surprise**

The Coles were not what Karen had expected. Mr. Cole was more distinguished than his photos had shown him to be and Mrs. Cole—her mouth was not so thin after all, but firm and quick to smile.

In fact, and it surprised Karen, they were both happy and smiling. How odd. She had expected to listen to moans and wailing. She was not prepared for happy greetings and the witty conversation that occupied the time during the drive from the airport to the small suburban cottage the Coles called home.

It struck Karen like a bolt of lightning as she sat down in the kitchen and looked at the Coles across the cup of steaming hot chocolate Mrs. Cole had placed before her. They were going to adopt her!

Change Surely, this was it. She was to be their replacement for the son they had lost. They had rejected her at the outset. Now, she was all they had in the world and they wanted to take her in, do things for her, make her happy.

Never! She would go back to her job in Chicago. And she would wait. She had not given up hope. She would go back to her job and she would wait for Jim. Jim was coming home. Jim was all right.

"Jim is all right. We have word." Karen was aware that Mr. Cole was speaking, slowly, distinctly. "They tried to reach you in Chicago but you had already left, so they called here. Do you understand, Karen? Jim is all right. He is coming home, to us someday. Jim is a prisoner, but he is alive and well."

"Yes, Jim is all right," Karen sang it out. "Jim is coming home..." She paused, raising the cup to her lips. "... To us."

**KEEPING UP WITH FRIENDS**

Mrs. Gaston Gooch of Corsicana spent the weekend with Mrs. Ida Gilbert.

Dale Gilmore of Odessa was a holiday visitor with his sister, Mrs. Effie Gilmore, and other relatives.

Kay Ann Craddock arrived on Thursday for a ten day visit with her mother, Mrs. Estelle Craddock.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Baker visited Saturday to Monday in Hurst with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Carter Hart and family, and a granddaughter, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Gilbert.

Carolyn Gilbert of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Neal Gilbert and family of Midland were Christmas holiday visitors with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Gilbert.

Guests in the home of Mrs. J. C. Timmons on Christmas Day were her daughters and families: Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Brown and Jana of Gorman, Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Stacy and Terry, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Morgan, Marty, Marla and Marc of Carbon, Mr. and Mrs. Cullen Rodgers of Gorman, Mr. and Mrs. Benny Chupp, Leslie and Pam of Houston, Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Spencer, Alan and Andrea of San Antonio, Mr. and Mrs. Odis Rodgers and Mike of Gorman, Mr. and Mrs. John Rodgers and Kim of Carbon, Mr. and Mrs. Neal Gilbert, Lisa, Steve and Dean of Midland, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Eison, Ronnie and Lori of Everman, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Burger and Gina of Dallas, Vance Laminack and Lanna Click

of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Don Laminack, Randy, Revis and Noble of Gorman. Other visitors during the holidays were grandchildren, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Rodgers, Kelly, Keith, Bruce and Bart, and Mrs. Gene Rodgers, Linda and Joe, all of Midlothian, and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Rodgers and family of Austin.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Williams spent the holidays in Falfurrias with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Denman Frasier.

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Jan. 23 - Strawn - There  
Jan. 26 - Lingleville - There  
Jan. 30 - Gordon - Here  
Feb. 2 - Huckaby - Here with "B" game at 7:00  
Feb. 6 - Lipan - There  
Feb. 9 - Strawn - Here  
Feb. 13 - Lingleville - Here  
Feb. 16 - Gordon - There



Nell Ames slammed the telephone receiver into its cradle after the little clerk told her that Joe was no longer on the line.

"Stay at your old office party. Stay all night. Stay through 1968 and see if I care." She picked up a cushion from the couch, hurled it across the room. It glanced across the arm of an easy chair and veered into the open fireplace.

For a moment, Nell was too stunned to move. Then she started forward, instinctively. But the edges of the cushion were burning steadily and she knew she could not remove it from the fire.

She kicked the cushion to the back of the fireplace and sat down on the couch, inhaling the odor of burning cloth and soot and ashes that had permeated the room.

"You fool," she chided herself aloud. "Fool, fool, foolish woman."

Many Times How many times had she promised herself that she would not allow herself to become so upset when Joe did not come home at the usual time? A hundred? Probably more.



For a moment, Nell was too stunned to move.

How carefully, before their marriage four months ago, Joe had explained that his job as account executive with the ad agency demanded more than the regular 8-hour day. She had understood. She had accepted the fact. Yet, she began to resent the solo suppers, the constant necessity to decline invitations because Joe was "working" (why couldn't she tell them he was entertaining a client in some restaurant or lounge at company expense?), and the constant waiting, waiting.

Nell put on a pot of coffee. She always did, when she was waiting for Joe to come in. By the time it finished perking, she had regained her composure.

"O.K., gal," she said to herself. "This is it. New Year resolution No. 1: I shall get into my thick skull that Joe often has to work late. I'll learn to really accept it. I'll take up knitting. I'll develop some kind of a hobby."

Nell poured herself a cup of coffee and walked back to the livingroom.

"Hello, honey."  
"Joe!"

Company "Yep, it's me. Short office party. Stan and Bill and Jerry, plus wives, will be along in a minute. I just wanted to give you a little notice and... say... what have you been cooking, anyway?"

"I... I cooked a cushion."  
"Cushion."

"A cushion—in the fireplace there. It was really..."  
"Never mind what it was. You can't serve cooked cushion to guests on New Year's Eve. Get into the kitchen and open a can or two. I'll spray the room with deodorizer or cologne or something. We don't want anybody to suffocate."

Nell surveyed the kitchen table. Not bad on short notice—sandwiches, chips and dips. Let 'em come.

Joe stuck his head through the kitchen door. "I did it. The living room now smells like a perfume factory. Hey, nice spread, kid."

"Thank you, kind sir."  
"Oh, I have a secret for you."  
"Secret?"

"Yes. I made a New Year resolution. To spend more time with you. I quit my job today. Bought an interest in the Weekly Gazette. I'll be home every night for supper. How about that?"

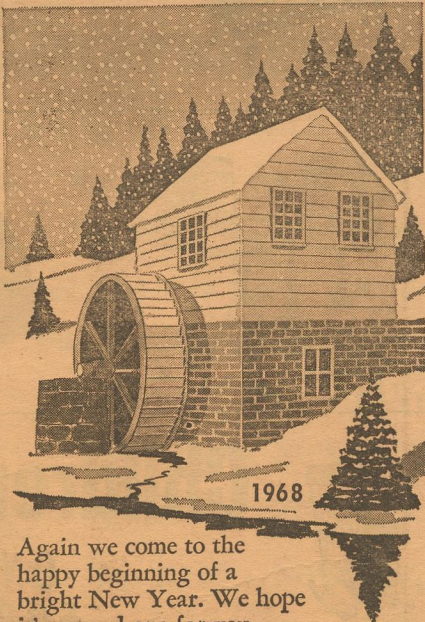
Nell wrapped her arms about him. "I think out guests are here. Let's go and greet them with a Happy New Year."



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Nabisco  
**GRAHAM CRACKERS**  
1 Lb. Box - 39c

**TISSUE** DELSEY  
BATHROOM .49  
4 Roll Pkg.

College Inn  
**EGG NOODLES-CHICK.**  
3 1-lb. jars \$1

Pops Rite  
**POP CORN**  
2 Lb. Bag - 39c

**CHEER** GIANT SIZE .69



5 lb. 49c  
10 Lb. 98c  
25 Lb. \$1.98

King Size  
**Coca-Cola**  
- PLUS -  
**KING SIZE FRESCA**  
6 Btl. Ctn. of both - 79c  
PLUS BOTTLE DEPOSIT



**Coffee** Can  
One Pound .69

Del Monte  
**P'APPLE-G'FRT JUICE**  
3 46 Oz. Cans 89c

Folger's  
**INSTANT COFFEE**  
10 Oz. Jar - \$1.19

**BACON** Armour's  
Pound .59

Foremost  
**MELLORINE**  
3 1/2 Gals. \$1.00

**GLADIOLA MEAL**  
5 Lbs. - 39c

**BISCUITS** Kimbell's or Hom-Maid 5-.39



SHOP ONE STOP  
**Grocery & Market**  
PHONE 5316 -:- GORMAN  
PRICES GOOD THURSDAY THRU SATURDAY

## A Look At Eastland Co. Agriculture

USDA-ASCS  
By Jesse G. Meredith

The annual Grass Tour sponsored by the Eastland County TAP Committee was held on December 13. It looks like every

time the tour has been scheduled for the past two years either rain or cold weather interfered. The weather on December 13 was 27 degrees with mist and sleet. In spite of this weather a total of 14 persons attended. We were most grateful for the attendance ad especially for the business people that attended. Mr. E. E. McAlister was tour leader and

had the tour route planned well. Mack always does a good job in planning this annual tour. We look forward to a larger crowd next year with a little better weather.

The ice and rain on Thursday, Friday and Saturday was the worst in years. Considerable damage was reported to trees and shrubs. Pecans trees seem to suf-

fer least of all as most of the foliage was gone from the trees. Reports from farmers in the various parts of the county say that the cover crop did not receive any damages. Most cover crops are already up and have a good growth at this time. We find that damages occur mostly when we have a dry freeze.

We received a letter this week from Mr. R. H. Nelson, State Compliance Supervisor, stating that he would retire on December 31, 1967. Mr. Nelson was District Supervisor for Eastland County for several years before taking the state office job and I know a number of the Eastland countians will remember him. He was a real friend to the peanut

farmers and will long be remembered for his faithful service to ASCS.

The County ASCS Committee consisting of R. G. Lyerla, Chairman, Charles Little, Vice Chairman, Paul Norris, regular member, and I, attended a two day district ASCS meeting in Dallas on December 14 and 15. Mr. R. F. Price, Chairman of the State Committee, was in charge of the meeting. Programs for 1968 were discussed. Mr. W. Lewis David, State Executive Director for the ASCS, J. M. Hendricks, Personnel Chief, Leonard Williams, Training Officer, and Don Watson, Production Adjustment Specialist, were on the program. A most interesting program was presented.

At the regular county committee meeting held on December 19 the county committee voted to change their regular meetings to the first and third Tuesday of each month. The committee invites any and all persons interested in agriculture to meet with them at any time.

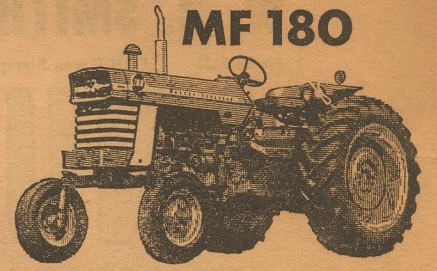
December 20 was the final date to report cover crop practices to be eligible for Federal Cost-share. About \$35,000 in cost-shares will be paid for this practice to Eastland County farmers. About 700 farmers participated in the practice.

### Bonuses Are Taxable For Social Security Purposes

Many employers give their workers Christmas bonuses. Some have not been sure whether social security tax should be withheld on this additional payment. Almost without exception a bonus represents covered earnings, reports R. R. Tuley, Jr., District Manager of the Social Security Administration in Abilene.

Employees who are receiving monthly social security benefits (even though they are still doing some work) are also reminded that any bonus they receive must be included in total earnings when they complete their annual reports to the Social Security Administration. These annual reports are due between January 1 and April 15th.

Information regarding the treatment of "special payments" may be obtained by contacting the folks at the district office at Room 2321 Federal Building. The office hours are 9 to 5 week days with extended hours until 7 p. m. on Tuesdays. OR, a representative of that office may be contacted when he is at a nearby community. A schedule of visits is posted at all post offices.



### Outpulls tractors with up to 10 more horsepower.

No other tractor with a 5-plow rating can equal the Massey-Ferguson MF 180 for "muscle and hustle." Why? Exclusive Pressure Control reduces wheel slippage up to 50%... more of the available horsepower is converted into usable horsepower. This gives the new MF 180 the capability of tractors claiming up to 10 more horsepower. Never before has there been such efficient performance from an engine this size—and never has this much power been so easy to manage.



Best of Luck

Saying hello to another New Year brings with it the pleasure of greeting our friends, and sending our thanks and best wishes to all our loyal patrons. A Happy 1968 to each of you!

### JOBE EQUIPMENT CO.

JAMES JOBE, Owner

DIAL RE 4-2274

GORMAN

YOUR MASSEY-FERGUSON DEALER

Hard to believe? We will be glad to show that a smooth-handling MF 180 "outpulls tractors with up to 10 more horsepower" in whatever job you have to do. Make us prove it.

# new year greetings

## A BANG UP '68!



We Greet The New Year With Warm Wishes For Everyone. May Each Day of 1968 Find You Happy And Healthy, And May Your Endeavors All Meet With Success. We're Looking Forward To Serving You In Every Way We Can!

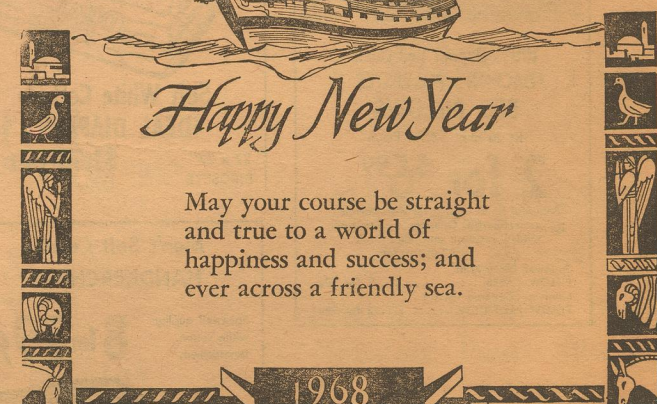
The First National Bank GORMAN, TEXAS  
"Oldest Bank In Eastland County"

## GREETINGS... JOY TO ALL



Happy New Year

May your course be straight and true to a world of happiness and success; and ever across a friendly sea.



SOUTHWESTERN PEANUT GROWERS' ASSOCIATION

ROSS WILSON, Manager  
Gorman, Texas

# W. H. SMITH DEPT. STORE

Phone 2135 S&H Green Stamps on all Cash Purchases DE LEON

# JANUARY WHITE SALE

Reversible Design  
JACQUARD WEAVE  
TOWEL ENSEMBLE

Save at Low  
White Sale Prices

- 22" x 44" Bath Towel .. 99¢
- 16" x 27" Hand Towel .. 59¢
- 12" x 12" Wash Cloth .. 39¢

Excellent quality cotton  
terry cloth in a decorative  
jacquard weave. Choice of three  
outstanding colors.

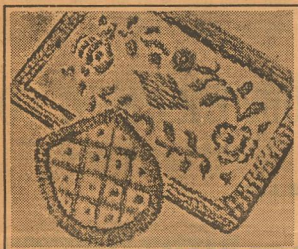


**SOLID COLOR TOWELS**  
New hi-tone colors  
In six exciting  
shades. 22 x 44 inch  
bath towels.  
Matching Wash Cloths ... 6 for \$1

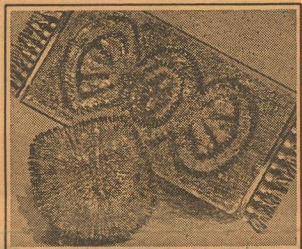
**SCREEN PRINTED TOWELS**  
22 x 44" BATH TOWEL 74¢ 16 x 27" HAND TOWEL 44¢  
12 x 12" WASH CLOTH 24¢  
Beautiful floral prints on  
white grounds. Thick and absorbent.

**FROSTY GROUND TOWELS**  
22 x 44" BATH TOWELS 88¢ 16 x 27" HAND TOWELS 48¢  
12 x 12" WASH CLOTH .. 28¢  
Spunwell quality. Printed pattern in a  
choice of 3 colors on frosty grounds.

**TERRY WASH CLOTHS**  
10 for 79¢  
Extra soft quality. Assorted  
solid colors and stripes.



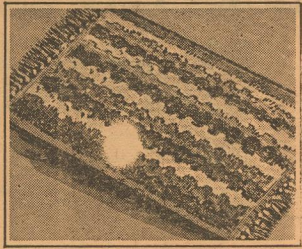
100% Rayon "Enkrone" \*  
2-TONE BATH MAT SET  
Reg. \$3.98  
SPECIAL ..... \$2.88  
21 x 34 inch mat with matching lid cover.  
Tex-A-Grip non-skid backing.  
Machine washable. Assorted colors.  
\* American Enka TM



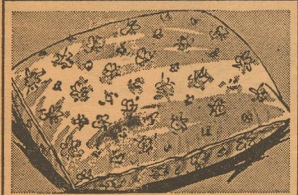
50% Dacron\* Polyester - 50% Nylon  
CUT 'N LOOP BATH MAT SET  
Knotted Fringe Ends ... \$3.99  
20 x 36 inch mat and lid cover.  
Non-skid Tex-A-Grip back.  
Novelty pattern ... assorted colors.  
\* Dupont TM



Reg. \$3.98 Cut 'n Loop  
27" x 45" RAYON RUG  
Save \$1.10 on this quality rug.  
Cut 'n loop pile in assorted colors.  
Tex-A-Grip non-skid back.  
Machine washable. \$2.88



50% Dacron\* Polyester - 50% Nylon  
NOVELTY STRIPE RUG  
24 x 42 inch size with knotted  
fringe at each end. Tri-tone  
novelty stripe pattern. Tex-A-Grip  
back. Assorted colors. \$3.99  
\* Dupont TM



100% Dupont Red Label  
DACRON\* POLYESTER  
BED PILLOWS  
Regularly \$4.99 Each  
2 for \$6.99

Beautiful floral print cover with Dacron\*  
polyester fiberfill. Odorless, mat-resistant,  
mildew resistant and non-allergic.  
\* Dupont TM

Spunwell Fancy Print  
PILLOW CASES ..... 2 for 99¢  
Spunwell Zippered Percale  
PILLOW PROTECTOR ..... 2 for 99¢



Soft White Cotton  
IDEAL DIAPERS  
27 x 27" ..... \$1.79 per doz.

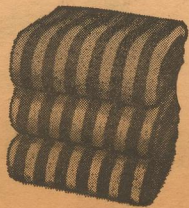
Men's Soft Cotton  
HANDKERCHIEFS  
Spunwell quality  
white cotton.  
Hemstitched. 8 for 79¢

## SUPER TOWEL SPECIAL

Size 22x44 - SALE PRICED .. 2 FOR \$1.00

Stock up Now at this Low Price! Mono-Tone Stripes  
and Multi-Colors. Size 12 x 12

Wash cloths to match ..... 5 FOR \$1.00



Regular \$2.39 Cotton  
SHEET BLANKET  
SALE PRICED \$1.94  
Cloud-soft white cotton ...  
whip-stitched ends. 70x90" size.

Large Size  
DISH CLOTHS  
10 for 79¢  
Regular 10 for \$1.00.  
Bright, multicolor designs.

Screen Printed  
KITCHEN TOWELS  
4 for 99¢  
Soft, lint-free terry cloth  
in colorful kitchen patterns.

Flour Sack  
DISH TOWELS  
4 for 99¢  
King size ... 23 x 34 inches.  
Neatly hemmed absorbent cotton.

## GARZA Soft Textured, 1st Quality COTTON MUSLIN SHEETS AND CASES

**GUARANTEED**  
for not less than  
**100 WASHINGS**

Stock up now on these quality sheets at low January White Sale  
prices! Guaranteed for 100 washings ... or they may be re-  
turned for replacement.

### SNOWY WHITE MUSLINS

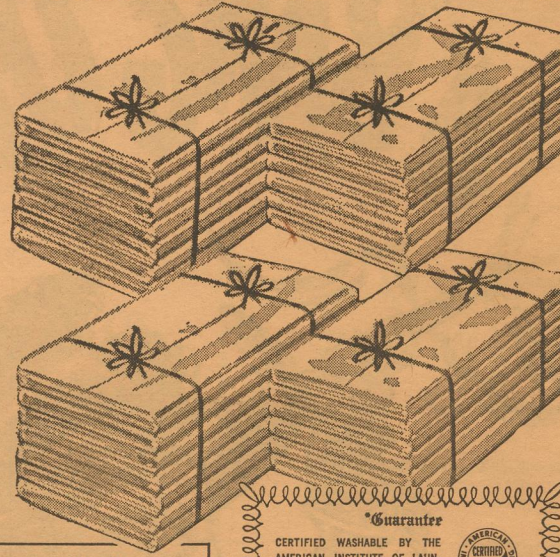
72x108 and 81x99"  
Flat or Twin Fitted

**\$1.79**

81x108" Flat or  
Double Fitted

**\$1.94**

42 x 36" Matching Pillow Cases ..... 2 for 94¢



### Colorful Pastel Muslin Sheets and Cases

72 x 108" Flat  
or Twin Fitted ..... \$2.19

81 x 108" Flat  
or Double Fitted ..... \$2.44

42 x 36" Matching Pillow Cases ..... 2 for \$1.19

**Guarantee**  
CERTIFIED WASHABLE BY THE  
AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF LAUN-  
DERING. GUARANTEED BY ELY &  
WALKER FOR 100 WASHINGS. IF  
THESE SHEETS AND CASES FAIL  
TO GIVE THIS MINIMUM OF LAUNDRING, YOU MAY  
RETURN THEM TO ELY & WALKER, 823 E. HOLMES  
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## SAVE ON QUALITY BEDSPREADS

Beautiful Spunwell "Duchess"

### QUILTED TAFFETA BEDSPREADS

**\$9.99**

Regularly priced at \$12.99 ... you save a whopping  
\$3.00 on this lovely "Duchess" spread. All-over quilted  
design. Enchanting colors ... red, gold, peacock,  
fiesta pink, avocado and white, Full and twin sizes.

Regular \$19.99 King Size  
"Duchess" Spread ..... \$16.99

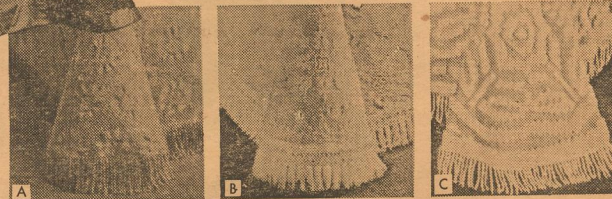
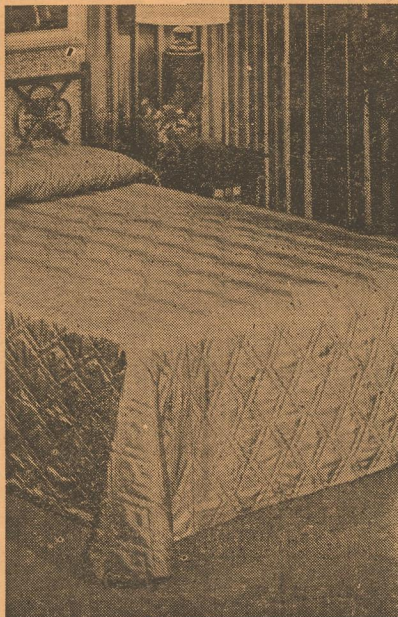
Regular \$9.99 48 x 84"  
Matching Draperies .. \$7.99 pr.

### OTHER SPREADS AT SUBSTANTIAL SAVINGS!

"A" Spunwell "Sculptura"  
Regular \$7.99. 100% woven  
cotton with rounded corners.  
White and assorted colors. Full  
and twin sizes. \$5.99

"B" Spunwell "Snowflake"  
Regular \$12.99. 100% cotton  
in a beautiful floral damask  
weave. White and assorted  
colors. Rounded corners, lattice  
fringe. Full and twin sizes. \$10.99

"C" Spunwell Chenille Values to \$10.98. Luxury electronic  
chenille spreads in assorted patterns. Pre-shrunk ... machine  
washable. Super full size. \$7.99

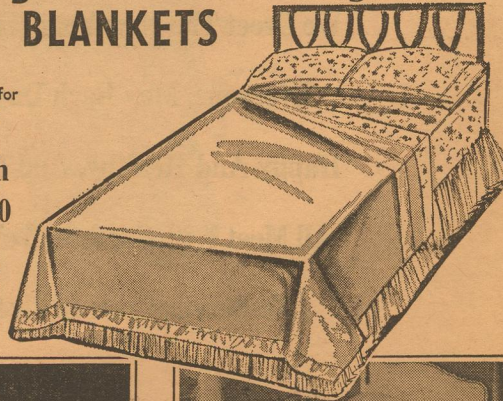


## Sale! Reg. \$4.99 to \$6.99 High Loft BLENDED BLANKETS

Now Specially Priced for  
January White Sale

**\$4.44 each**  
2 For \$8.50

Blended of 94% rayon - 6%  
nylon for strength and beauty.  
Take your choice of screen  
printed floral designs, novelty  
plaids or beautiful solids.  
72 x 90 inch size.



### Spunwell Combination MATTRESS PAD & COVER

Dacron\* Polyester Filled

Sanforized white cotton cover with 100%  
Dacron\* polyester filler. Deluxe scalloped stitch.  
\* Dupont TM

Twin Fitted  
Reg. \$5.99  
**\$4.99**

Full Fitted  
Reg. \$7.99  
**\$6.99**

### Spunwell Cotton Filled MATTRESS PAD & COVER

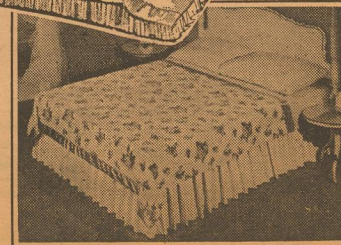
Cotton cover and filler.  
Sanforized sidewalls.

Twin  
Fitted  
Reg. \$4.29  
**\$3.66**

Full  
Fitted  
Reg. \$4.98  
**\$4.66**

### SPUNWELL SEAMLESS MATTRESS PADS

Twin, reg. \$2.98 ..... \$2.56  
Full, reg. \$3.98 ..... \$3.56  
Spunwell Vinyl Plastic  
Full or Twin Mattress Covers ..... \$1.99





STARTS THURSDAY

**W. H. SMITH  
DEPARTMENT STORE**

WE GIVE S&H GREEN STAMPS  
PHONE 2135 DE LEON, TEXAS

**JANUARY WHITE SALE**

**SPRING FABRICS**

Bright spring fabrics . . . light and airy as the season that will soon be with us . . . all priced for savings during our January White Sale



**100% COTTON PRINTED CANVAS**

Regular \$1.59 Quality

Dainty floral prints in bright, exciting colors. Crease resistant and machine washable. Suitable for suits, pants and shifts. 45 inches wide.

**88¢** yd.

**PERMANENT PRESS PRINTS**

65% Dacron\* Polyester  
35% Combed Cotton

Regularly \$1.59 a yard. No need to worry about wrinkles with this premium blend because it never needs ironing. Colorful prints in newest shades. 45 inches wide.

**88¢** yd.

**WASH 'N WEAR COTTON PRINTS**

**FASHION COLORED DUCK**

Regularly Priced at \$1.19 a Yard

This great sportswear fabric is available in up-to-the-minute high fashion solid colors. 100% crease resistant cotton. 45 inches wide.

**88¢** yd.

**REG. \$1.29 SATEEN PRINTS**

50% Zantrel\* Rayon — 50% Cotton

Lively new spring patterns and colors. Easy-care wash 'n wear finish requires little, if any, ironing. 45 inches wide.

**88¢** yd.

**Regular 69¢  
Bright-Tone  
COTTON DENIM**

**2 yds. \$1<sup>00</sup>**

Crease resistant fabric for sportswear, slip covers and draperies. Vivid woven stripes and solid colors. 36 inches wide.

**Regular 39¢  
Colorful New  
COTTON PRINTS**

**3 yds. \$1<sup>00</sup>**

Fine quality cotton in beautiful new spring patterns and colors. Excellent value. 36 inches wide.

**39-INCH UNBLEACHED MUSLIN**

at Special "White Sale" Prices

25¢ Quality, Now

37¢ Quality, Now

**5 yds. \$1<sup>00</sup>**

Excellent quality and weight for so many home sewing needs.

**4 yds. 97¢**

Fine quality for quilting, linings and other household uses.

**REG. 39¢ 80-SQUARE BLEACHED MUSLIN**

Smooth textured and snow white cotton for quilting, linings and other uses. 36 inches wide.

**4 yds. \$1<sup>00</sup>**

**SPORTSWEAR  
POPLIN**

Season's Most Wanted Fabric — A Blend of 65% Dacron Polyester and 35% Combed Cotton. DRIP-DRY . . . Completely Washable. Ideal for SLACKS, SKIRTS, DRESSES and OUTERWEAR.

Reg. \$1.59 per yard  
Special Value — 89¢ yard

**SAVE NOW ON YOUR SPRING SEWING NEEDS!**

**LADIES HATS**

**1/4 OFF**

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**LADIES TRIM TRED & MISS WONDERFUL  
DRESS SHOES - BOOTS - FLATS**

WERE \$4.98 TO \$13.98

Now **\$1.98 To \$9.98**

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**LADIES HANDBAGS**

WERE \$2.98 TO \$17.95

**1/3 OFF**

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**MEN'S  
WESTERN SHIRTS**

WERE \$4.98 TO \$6.98

Now **\$3.49 To \$4.49**

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**KATE GREENAWAY  
DRESSES - SLACKS & TOPS**

ONE GROUP — SIZES 1 TO 14

**1/4 TO 1/2 OFF**

**BOYS & GIRLS SWEATERS**

**1/4 OFF**

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**MEN'S SUITS**

WERE \$39.95 TO \$85.00

Now **\$29.95 To \$65.00**

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MEN'S & BOY'S

**SPORT SHIRTS**

6 FAMOUS BRANDS — ALL SIZES

Were **\$1.98 - NOW \$1.59**

Were **\$2.98 - NOW \$2.39**

Were **\$3.98 - NOW \$2.89**

Were **\$4.98 - NOW \$3.49**

Were **\$5.98 - NOW \$3.98**

Were **\$6.95 - NOW \$4.79**

Were **\$8.95 - NOW \$5.49**

Were **\$10.00 - NOW \$6.98**

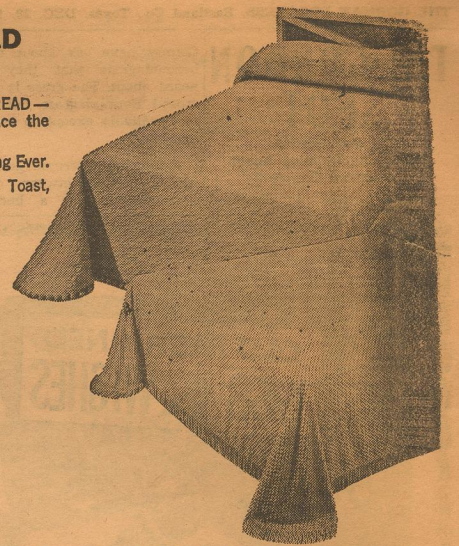
**LUXURY WOVEN SPREAD**

SALE PRICED... **\$9<sup>97</sup>**

An Elegant Woven MATELASSE TYPE BEDSPREAD — Trimmed with a graceful Ball Fringe, will enhance the Beauty of any Bedroom Decor.

Machine Washable, Lint Free, Preshrunk — No Ironing Ever.

COLORS: Pink, Delph Blue, Old Gold, Avocado, Toast, Turquoise and White.

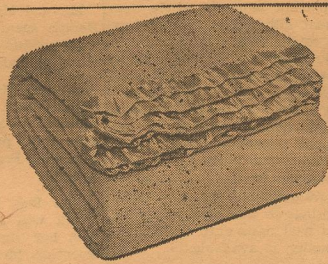


**Beautiful Tufted Candlewick Bedspread**

SUPER SIZE — SALE PRICE... **\$6<sup>97</sup>** Each

A Spread which will add elegance to your Bedroom. Lint Free Rayon Tufting, Bullion Fringe, Machine Washable and Preshrunk.

COLORS: Pink, Aqua, Topaz, Avocado and all Whites.



**HI-LOFT THERMAL BLANKET**

Size 72 x 90 — SUPER PRICED... **\$4<sup>44</sup>** Each

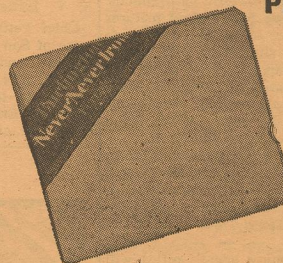
Fits Twin or Full Size

or 2 for \$8.50

Year Round, Solid Color Napped Thermal Blanket. Warm in Winter — Cool in Summer 94% Rayon — 6% Acrylic with 5" Nylon Binding.

Buy Two at These Savings.

**Burlington NEVER NEVER IRON™  
PERCALE SHEETS**



FABULOUS NEW BLEND of 50% FORTREL® POLYESTER . . . 50% Combed Cotton. Over 180 Threads per Square Inch of a New Fiber Blend which will outwear 100% Cotton.

Preshrunk — Less than 2% Shrinkage — You MACHINE WASH — TUMBLE DRY — NEVER, NEVER IRON

72 x 108  
Twin Fitted  
**\$3<sup>29</sup>** Each

81 x 108  
Double Fitted  
**\$4<sup>29</sup>** Each

Pillow Cases  
42 x 38  
**\$1<sup>09</sup>** Each

**FIELDCREST DECORATOR  
BEDSPREADS**

FLORAL PRINTS - WOVEN DESIGNS

Were **\$24.95 - NOW \$19.95**

Were **\$35.00 - NOW \$24.95**

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**WINTER  
FABRIC SALE**

ALL REDUCED!

— WOOLENS — ORLON KNITS —  
— BROCADES — "WHIPPED CREAM" —  
— VELVETEEN — SUEDE CLOTH —

**\$5.98 Fabrics - NOW \$3.98**

**\$4.98 Fabrics - NOW \$3.49**

**\$3.98 Fabrics - NOW \$2.79**

**\$2.98 Fabrics - NOW \$1.98**

Some Greater Reductions!

**Garza White  
PERCALE SHEETS**

GUARANTEED 100 WASHINGS

72" x 108"

TWIN FITTED

**\$1.98** Each

81" x 108"

DOUBLE FITTED

**\$2.49** Each

42 x 36

PILLOW CASES

**\$1.29** Pair

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**DRAPERY  
REMNANTS**

1/2 OF MARKED PRICE

**HALLMARK  
CHRISTMAS CARDS**

1/2 PRICE

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MEN'S 8-PLY

**BANLON SOCKS**

USUALLY \$1.25 & \$1.50

Now **79¢** Pair

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**MEN'S TIE SALE**

ONE RACK — WERE \$1.50 TO \$3.00

Only **\$1.00** each

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**Bobbie Brooks Skirts - Dresses**

Sweaters - Pants - Blouses

WERE \$4.98 TO \$18.98

Sale **\$1.98 To \$10.98**

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**MEN'S LEATHER GLOVES**

CAPEKIN FIG — LINED & UNLINED

were **\$3.98 - NOW \$2.98** Pair

were **\$5.98 - NOW \$4.50** Pair

**MEN'S  
LOAFERS & OXFORDS**

BY HAND & HANDCRAFT

ONE GROUP — WERE \$8.98 TO \$15.95

Now **\$3.98 To \$9.98**

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ONE GROUP

**SPORT SHIRTS**

Values To **\$5.00 - NOW \$1.98** each

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**MEN'S HUBBARD  
DRESS PANTS**

1/4 TO 1/2 OFF

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**MEN'S & BOY'S JACKETS**

WERE \$7.98 TO \$65.00

Now **\$5.98 To \$45.00**

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**MEN'S SWEATERS & VESTS**

WERE \$6.98 TO \$19.95

Now **\$3.98 To \$13.95**

# THE GORDON SPOT

By Dee Gordon,  
County Agricultural Agent  
Eastland County  
Several farmers in Eastland

County have ask about a new bermudagrass that they have heard about. The grass is Coastcross-1 Bermudagrass, but is not yet available except to certified growers.

Coastcross-1 Bermudagrass is a hybrid crossed between coastal bermudagrass and a bermuda-



May you find new friends and keep your old ones; walk in health and live in sunshine; and find the open door to happiness and lasting contentment.

WE HAVE A LARGE SELECTION OF JACKETS! JACKETS! JACKETS!

BLUE DENIM - LINED JUMPERS & JACKETS

BOOTS - SHOES - BOOTS - SHOES  
MEN'S AND BOYS - ALL SIZES

THERMAL SOCKS & UNDERWEAR

FLANNEL SHIRTS  
ALL SIZES IN STOCK

**RANKIN**  
ARMY & NAVY SURPLUS

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grass from Kenya. It was developed by Dr. Glenn W. Burton at the Coastal Plain Experiment Station, Tifton, Georgia. This hybrid grows taller and has broader, softer leaves than coastal. It is highly resistant to foliar diseases and sting nematodes. Unlike common and coastal bermudagrass, it develops very few underground runners or rhizomes, but spreads rapidly by above ground runners or stolons. Tests in Georgia indicate it is about 12 percent more digestible than coastal, although it may produce less total forage than coastal. In preliminary hay feeding trials in Georgia, dairy heifers receiving coastcross-1 hay gained 30 percent faster than those on coastal. Very little is known of its drought tolerance under Texas conditions. The Texas Agricultural Experiment Station has just started evaluation of the new grass. Plantings in this area should be on a trial basis until further information is available.

Eighty five of the winning entries in the Eastland County Pecan Show were taken to Abilene to compete in the West Texas Regional Show December 14, 15, and 16. An entry of Choctaw pecans showed by C. E. Smith won the reserve champion in-shell plaque. Nine of the Eastland County entries won first places, five won second and seven won third place ribbons.

The Texas Forest Service is working on a new book, "Famous Trees of Texas" and they are looking for all trees in Texas which have historic backgrounds.

The book will contain pictures and stories about the trees which were the sites of historic events. These trees may have been over where treaties were signed, court held, people hanged, armies rallied or the many which have local legends around them.

Anyone in Eastland County who has information about such a tree should contact the Director, Texas Forest Service, College Station, Texas 77840.

The county agent's office will be closed through January 2nd. I would like to take this opportunity to wish each of you a Happy Holiday Season and another happy year in 1968.

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FOR WEEK OF DEC. 21

Mrs. Ed Wyatt has returned from a ten day visit in Dallas with her sister, Mrs. R. E. F. Schmid. She also visited in Fort Worth with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Welch.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wheeler of Denton spent the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Blair and Mrs. John Wheeler.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Rodgers of Rededa, Calif. was to arrive this weekend to spend the holidays with their parents, Mrs. Nettie Isbell and Frances and Mr. C. R. Rodgers.

Miss Don Moorman of Fort Worth was a weekend visitor with her mother, Mrs. Dona Moorman. Mrs. Moorman accompanied her home. They will spend the Christmas holidays in Beaumont with a grandson, Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Moorman.

Steve Revels of Garland is visiting this week with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Pittman and Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Revels. He accompanied his grandmother, Mrs. Pittman, home following a weeks visit in the Revels home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Littlefield of Philadelphia, Penn. and his sister, Mrs. Lou Nabors of Brownwood, and Mrs. Jo Webb of Cisco and Mr. Earl Lewis of Eastland visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Littlefield.

Chief Petty Officer J. O. Gilmore of San Diego, Calif. visited Monday and Tuesday with his mother, Mrs. Pearl Gilmore. He is enroute to reassignment on the USS Enterprise (CVAN65) for a tour of duty in Vietnam.



In great sincerity, we express appreciation for many valued friendships and associations. May your New Year be bright and cheerful.

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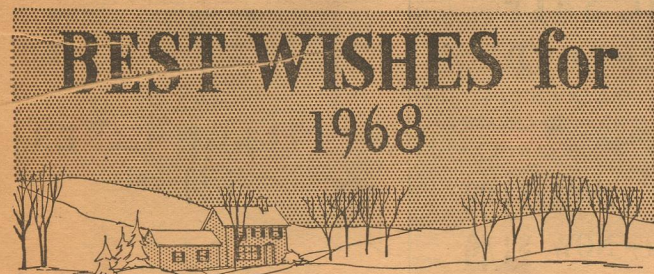
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