



## PRESS POINTS

By JOE BENNETT, Publisher

Tis the time to be grateful for all the many blessings that have been bestowed upon us. So what do I do on Monday? I got up with a terrible ache in the shoulder and neck and couldn't even turn my head hardly an inch. The first thing when I got to the shop, things were going like it usually does on Monday (terrible). The first thing I started doing was complaining about everything going wrong and the machinery not working right. I really didn't stop to think about all those good days that the Good Lord had blessed me with for so long. Nor for all the fine people who have patronized The Gorman Progress throughout the months since I have taken over the business, and for the wonderful business I have enjoyed, and the many nice things people have said. Neither did I stop to think about the wonderful wife with whom I have been privileged to spend my life, nor the two wonderful children that we both love so much, and for the wonderful life that we are sharing. Somehow, these things seemed to slip my mind in my moments of pain and discomfort.

Then all of a sudden it dawned on me that life can't be all fun and roses. If it were then we couldn't enjoy the good times and look forward to the good things during the time that we are to suffer a little. I think the whole world has gotten into the same way of thinking as I had before I started remembering all the good things that had been bestowed upon me.

This is the time for thanksgiving alright. But we should all remember that we should give thanks for every day and everything that comes our way, and not just at this one season of the year. The weather has been good for several days now for digging, turning and combining the peanut crop, which means so very, very much to the economy of our area. Even though the crop may be short this year, it could have been even shorter. So let's all thank the Lord for what we have and what we enjoy in our "land of plenty". Just think if we lived in one of the other nations where people are starving every day and don't even have a roof to go over their heads or any clothes to go on their backs. This should shock us all into remembering just how well off we all really are.

So, when you start to carve up the turkey and pass all the goodies around on this Thanksgiving, stop and think, and give due thanks to the one who has made it all possible. Maybe this way he will see fit to continue to bless this marvelous land of ours, even though most of us are so unworthy of his goodness and mercy.

Give thanks for your home, wife and family, your business or your job, and for the million and one blessings we take for granted and enjoy every day . . .

And remember to smile . . . because God loves you!

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## Martha Harmond Gives Program For WSC Meeting

The Woman's Study Club met November 25th in the home of Mrs. C. O. Revels. Theme of the program was "Giving Gifts from the Kitchen Warms the Heart."

Mrs. Martha Harmond, Consumer Information Specialist



**SANTA'S COMING TO GORMAN SAT., DECEMBER 14**  
Santa Claus will arrive in Gorman Saturday, December 14 at 3:00 p. m. He will arrive on the new Fire Truck and will be ready to listen to the wishes of children and reward them with candy.

## Kokomo Club Honors Lawnale Birthday Folks

The Kokomo Home Demonstration Club met at Lawndale Home on Thursday, November 21st at 2:30 p. m. to honor the residents of the home who observed birthdays in November.

Those having November birthdays were Mrs. Nola Underwood, Cora Echols, W. M. Tate, and George Porter. Also honored were Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Lasater who were observing their 66th wedding anniversary.

Corsages were given to the ladies and cologne was given to the men.

Birthday cake and punch were served to all residents of the home and guests by club members Mesdames D. F. Eaves, Albert Hendricks, Odis Rodgers, Edward Stacy, Terry Stacy and Miss Jennifer Stacy.

The ladies sang "happy birthday" and other hymn selections.



**BIRTHDAY HONOREES** — Residents of Lawndale Home observing November birthdays were (left to right) front row: Mr. W. M. Tate and George Porter; back row: Cora Echols and Mrs. Nola Underwood, and Becky Tate, employee of Lawndale Home.



**CELEBRATE 66TH ANNIVERSARY** — Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Lasater, Lawndale residents, celebrated their 66th wedding anniversary November 22, 1974 and were honored by the Kokomo HD Club at their monthly birthday party at the home.

The couple were married November 22, 1908 at the home of the bride's parents. She was the former Lucie Ann Underwood. They lived all their married life in the In-

dian Mountain Community and occupied only two houses from the time of their marriage to the time of retirement in 1966 when they moved to Gorman. They have only been living at Lawndale a short time.

They had three children: Hulon Lasater, who is married to Mavis Jay, who live in Gorman; Almos Lasater, now deceased, who was married to Annis Overstreet who resides in De Leon; and Irene, who is married to Fred Joiner of Dublin. They also have 10 grandchildren, 25 great-grandchildren and one great-great-granddaughter.

There were two thousand, one hundred and twenty-four pounds of women at the club.

The Lasaters are members of the Church of Christ.

## N. Lehman Laid to Rest on Monday

Norman Alfred Lehman, 52, of Gorman, died at 3:25 p. m. Friday, November 22, 1974 in Comanche Community Hospital after a long illness.

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Monday in the Higginbotham Funeral Chapel with the Rev. Robert H. Melde Sr., Brownwood Lutheran minister, officiating. Burial was in the Weaver Cemetery.

Born Oct. 14, 1922, in Brownwood, Mr. Lehman married Beatrice Slone on Nov. 11, 1954 in Brownwood. A retired farmer, he was a Lutheran and a 20-year resident of Gorman.

Survivors are his wife; a step-daughter, Mrs. Mary Turner of Gorman; a brother, Arthur of Bangs; and two sisters, Mrs. Lorena Koch of Coppertown and Mrs. Ollie Thompson of North Dakota. Nephews served as pallbearers.

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## Panther Band Wins Region For 4th Straight Year

Saturday, November 23, the Big Red Panther Band proudly brought home top honors in Class B competition. They now officially bear the title "First in Region." The band got a 2nd Division (excellent and above average in all respects). Santa Anna, Rising Star, and Eden also competed. Each of these bands got a 3rd Division, which is average.

The band was impressive coming out on the field and was sharp the whole time. A few, small, individual mistakes were all that kept the band from getting a 1st. Division.

The band should be congratulated for their fine job at Coleman!

Russell Fuller, band director, has done it again!

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## CARD OF THANKS

My stay in Blackwell Hospital was made much easier by the kind and thoughtfulness of my friends of the First United Methodist Church of Eastland and I want to express my sincere gratitude to Dr. Pino and Dr. Canut, the nurses and staff for each kindness shown me. Also to friends in Gorman. Your cards and visits were especially wonderful.

May God bless you.  
Mrs. Mary Parker

## Last Rites R. Buckley on Friday

Rufus Oray Buckley, 64, of Olden, died Tuesday evening November 19, 1974 at his home after an apparent heart attack.

Services were held at 10 a. m. Friday at the Desdemona Baptist Church with burial in Desdemona Cemetery, directed by De Leon Funeral Home.

Born April 14, 1910, in Comanche County, Mr. Buckley married Claudia Brown in 1929 at Desdemona. She died in 1967. A retired farmer, he was a Baptist.

Survivors are two sons, Jerry of Desdemona and James E. of Graham; four brothers, Harvey of Quinlin, J. D. of Crane, James of Fort Worth, and Robert of Odessa; six sisters, Mrs. Hazel Wisdom of Ranger, Mrs. Virgie Dennis and Mrs. Irene Harrison of Gorman, Mrs. Corrine Walden of Clyde, Freda Mae Duke of Garland, and Nelda Jean Towery of Kentucky; stepmother, Mrs. R. G. Buckley of Gorman, and six grandchildren.

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## GORMAN CAGERS SPLIT GAMES WITH EASTLAND; HOST RANGER

The Gorman High School basketball teams hosted the Eastland cage teams on Friday night at the local gym. In the first game of the evening the B team boys took an easy victory over the Eastland B team by the margin of

66 to 31 with all of the B team players seeing a large amount of playing time. Dean Weldon led the scoring for Gorman with 25 points with Bruce Gibbs hitting for 11. D. Mag was high for Eastland with 14 points.

The Pantherettes and the Mavettes played a very good game with the Mavettes getting about a 10 or 12 point lead in the final quarter before the Pantherettes came back with a rally late in the fourth period which came up 2 points short. The Mavettes got the victory by a 58-56 margin.

## Birdsong Peanuts Honor Pete Ramsey - 30th year

Birdsong Peanuts president, Thomas H. Birdsong, III, and employees honored J. W. "Pete" Ramsey with a 30 year service reception Thursday afternoon at the peanut plant.

Mr. Birdsong presented Pete (as he is fondly called by everyone) with a matched set of luggage and Mrs. Ramsey with a scented candle.

Present for the afternoon reception was his wife, Kate, and their daughter, Mrs. Charles Collins and children, Christy and Cheri of Irving. Their other daughter, Mrs. John Black of San Antonio was unable to attend, but sent flowers for the occasion. The Blacks have two children, John Ramsey and Joel Mathew.



**PETE AND FAMILY** — Shown above is Thomas H. Birdsong, III, with the luggage he had just presented to Pete Ramsey. With Pete is his wife, Kate (in wheelchair), Mrs. Charles Collins, Christy and Cheri.

"Pete" is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Ramsey of Carbon and received his high school education in Eastland. He attended extra bookkeeping and typing classes in Eastland and worked in the ASCS office in Eastland and moved to Gorman in 1942 where she was employed as bookkeeper for Southwestern Peanut Growers' Association for two years before accepting a position with Gorman Peanuts in November 1944, which is now Birdsong Peanuts.

The impressive cake was decorated in the form of a ledger book with gold roses

and the name Birdsong Peanuts at the top with 50 years in the debit column and 30 years in the credit column and 20 years of time off for good behavior with sky in the credit limit column. "Pete" is highly respected by the firm and his co-workers.

Cake and punch were served in the peanut company coffee room to all employees and visitors.

Parents of Mr. Ramsey are Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Ramsey of Carbon and Mrs. Ramsey is the former Kate Holland of De Leon.

## NEW SON FOR REV. AND MRS. BOB COPE

Rev. and Mrs. Bob Cope announce the arrival of their new son, Andrew Bryan, born at 3:09 p. m. Tuesday, November 26, 1974 in Harris Hospital in Fort Worth. He weighed eight pounds and two ounces and measured 21 inches tall.

He has a big brother, John Robert, age 2, and maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. William B. Jennings of Fort Worth and maternal great-grandmother, Mrs. Mary Gean of Fort Worth, and paternal grandmother, Mrs. Athalee Cope of Odessa.

Mother and baby are doing fine and father also! They plan to come home on Friday.

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## ITEMS OF INTEREST

Deputy's official visit to Gorman Chapter No. 443, O. E. S. will be Monday, December 2 at 7:30 p. m. All members are urged to attend.

The Gorman Chamber of Commerce will meet Thursday, December 5th at 9 a. m. at the SWPGA conference room.

Band Boosters will meet on Monday, December 2nd.

The Gorman Fire Department will meet Monday, Dec. 2nd.

The Lions Club will meet Tuesday, December 3rd at the Band Hall at noon.

The Kokomo Primitive Baptist Church will meet Saturday, Nov. 30 and Sunday, Dec. 1st.

The Gorman 4-H will be selling World's Finest Candy starting Friday, Nov. 22. They will be selling the candy to help the Eastland 4-H organization meet their pledge to the State 4-H Center being built at Lake Brownwood. This center will benefit the 4-H kids in this area. See a 4-Her for your candy or contact Mary Jeffs at Gorman Insurance Agency.



**COMPLETES LAW ENFORCEMENT SCHOOL** — Jeff Bowling has just completed six weeks training in Basic Law Enforcement Certification School held in Abilene by the Texas Engineering Extension Service, Texas A&M University System

Mr. Bowling received his certificate at a banquet held November 21 at the Starlite Inn in Abilene. The banquet was held in honor of 18 area lawmen who had completed the training school.

Mr. Bowling and Mr. Albert White, have also completed a 24 hour course on Narcotics held in Brownwood, and a 32 hour course on Criminal Investigation in Abilene.

Those attending the banquet from Gorman were Mrs. Jeff Bowling and son, Jeff, Chief of Police and Mrs. Albert White, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rhymes.

Mr. Bowling has been employed for the past seven months as night patrolman for the City of Gorman.

Those attending the banquet from Gorman were Mrs. Jeff Bowling and son, Jeff, Chief of Police and Mrs. Albert White, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rhymes.

**PETE'S CAKE** — This is the beautiful cake which was served at the reception honoring Pete Ramsey Thursday.

## LOOK WHO'S NEW

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Eaves announce the birth of their daughter, Cheri Ann, born November 20, 1974 at 12:48 a. m. in the Ranger General Hospital. She weighed six pounds and two ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Williams, Gorman and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Bill Eaves of Gorman. Maternal great-grandmother is Mrs. C. S. Taylor of Gorman. Paternal great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Eaves and Mrs. Marvin Jones of Gorman.

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## MR. AND MRS. LARRY HAND HAVE NEW SON

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Hand announce the adoption of their son, Robert Lee, who came to make his home with them on Saturday, November 23, 1974. Robbie will be three years old on February 12, 1975.

Robbie's father is employed by Texas Federal Inspection Service and his mother is employed by Lawndale Home as recreation director. The Hands live in the rent house of Mrs. Virginia Griffith and are members of the First Baptist Church.

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Mrs. and Mrs. Riley Acrea and Randy of Refugio are visiting this week with his brother, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Acrea.

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## GHS SCHOOL FAVORITES ARE NAMED

In an election held October 30-31, Gorman High School students elected class and school favorites for the year 1974-75.

Kerrie Jolley was elected Miss Gorman High School. Rodney Warren was named Mr. Gorman High School.

Girl Most Likely To Succeed is Kerrie Jolley. Boy Most Likely to Succeed is Rodney Warren.

Elected Friendliest Girl and Boy were Kerrie Jolley and Mike Carr.

Most Athletic Boy and Girl are Kris Brown and Phyllis Guthery.

Joetta Bennett and Mark Eaves were chosen as Senior Class Favorites.

Junior Class Favorites are Vicki Vaughn and Carl Burleson.

Donna Tate and Jack Jackson are Sophomore Favorites. Freshman Favorites are Deliah Eaves and Sacy Webb.

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## Desdemona News

By HATTIE TATE

Don't begin doing something today expecting to finish tomorrow, for tomorrow never comes.

Mrs. Evah Sparkman, Mrs. Maud Fuqua, Mrs. Ila Koonce and Mrs. Vera Brown visited Martha Manor Home Sunday afternoon and also the "Open House of Nowlin Funeral Home in De Leon.

It is nice to know that our local news reaches across country. This writer received a card and nice letter from a former resident of our town. She is Mrs. Thelma Bailey Stuart of California. She looks forward for the Gorman Progress and also has it mailed to her brother, Max Bailey of Farmington, N. M. They are daughter and son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Mitch Bailey, and sister and brother of the late Rex Bailey.

Mr. and Mrs. Moody Koonce were in Dallas Sunday visiting with a brother, Skeeter Koonce and wife, Ada. The news last week was that Mrs. Myrtle Reid would spend Thanksgiving at Alvin but she returned home Tuesday due to bronchitis.

Nothing like having neighbors come and help make Chow-Chow. This is what Maude Fuqua did as Wanda Martin needed help. Maud was ready to answer the beckoning call.

We regret to announce the death and burial of another friend and neighbor, that of Rufus Buckley who passed away Wednesday, Nov. 20. He was a former resident of our community and was laid to rest by his wife, Claudie, in Desdemona Cemetery.

Mrs. Bill Collum Sr. spent several days visiting her mother who lives in Hobbs, N. M. Mrs. Seth (Jewel) Hallmark was home for the weekend, but returned Monday to continue treatments at a M. D. Anderson Hospital, Houston. We wish for Jewel a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Rob-

erts and Jeff spent sometime this past week deep sea fishing and visiting Les Williams and family at Corpus Christi. Paul and Mary Dietz returned Tuesday from a two week vacation in West Texas. Mr. and Mrs. Don Stutman, daughter, Lori, and baby son, Donald Jr. of Wichita Falls, visited Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Clark over the weekend.

A message was received on Wednesday informing us of the death of Mr. Tom Ervin of Midland. He and his family were former residents here where he was foreman of the Mobil Plant for several years. Mrs. Ervin taught in the public schools. They have two sons, Tom, Jr. and Eldon. Mr. Ervin was laid to rest in the Midland Cemetery Saturday afternoon. We extend our sympathy to the family.

In the absence of the pastor this Sunday morning Bro. Joe O'Neal of Gorman filled in for Bro. Landers. We welcome all the visitors. The doors are always open to all who want to come and worship with us.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Powers went by plane this Saturday to Riverside, Calif. to spend Thanksgiving with their son, Stanley and Linda, and two daughters.

Bro. and Mrs. Landers returned Sunday evening after a weeks visit with their son, Ronny and family of Mena, Arkansas.

A very large crowd attended the Thanksgiving Supper at First Baptist Church Sunday night. What better place could there be to remember and give thanks to our "Forefathers."

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Ragland were in Cisco Saturday to attend the school of instruction of the O.E.S. and followed up with a banquet.

Mr. and Mrs. Clay Rhyne and boys of Corpus Christi spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Rhyne of Carbon, and sisters, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Self and family and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bennett and family. The parents returned to Corpus Christi with the Clay Rhyne's for a



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We played 84 this week and learned the reason Old Windy left Carbon. The reason was that he told the truth one time and the people here, decided that he might be losing his mind. So they rode him out of town on a rail, telling him not to come back. Though his wife is such a fine person

She brought us some cookies to eat. Windy said they were made from 'MAMA BREAD.' Murel lost her baby sitting job in Abilene. She was eating some of the baby food, pablum. She brought two boxes of pablum and a teething ring home for Fats. Hope it helps him sprout some new teeth. She so thrilled when she arrived home, as one of her Cats presented her with four new offspring. More pelts for the coat

Happy Day.  
 Poor Kent, her tongue is as sharp as Satan's Pitchfork. It makes Mae shed so many tears. She has a gallon jug to keep them in. Then Kent takes them and drinks them. That is when the smoke really flies. I keeps me so depressed all the time.  
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 Tuesday — Italian spaghetti green beans, salad, hot rolls, milk and peach cobbler.  
 Wednesday — Pinto beans, spinach, corn, cornbread, milk and pineapple pudding.  
 Thursday — Steak fingers and gravy, creamed potatoes, blackeyed peas, batter bread, milk and cake.  
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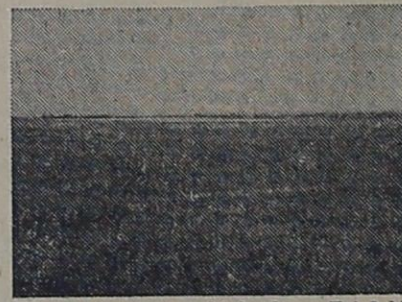
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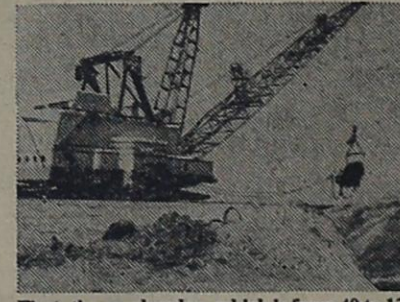
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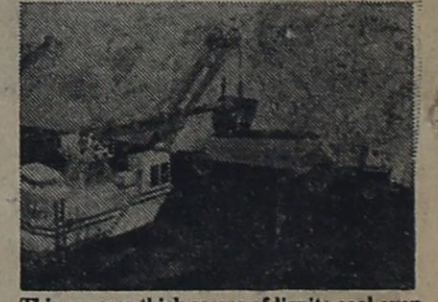
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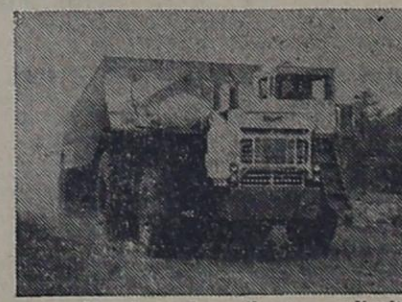
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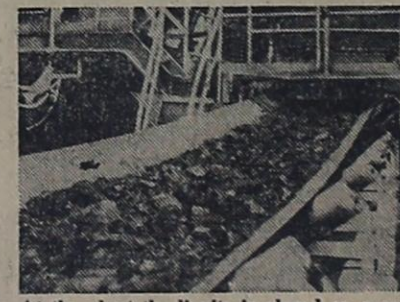
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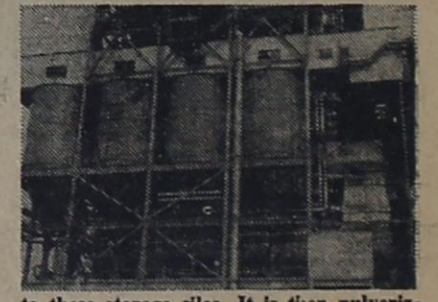
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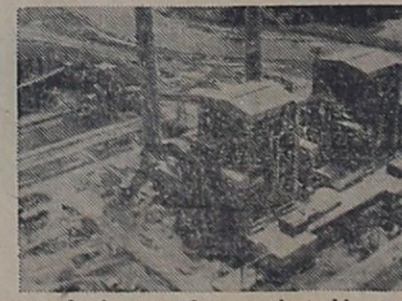
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# KOKOMO NEWS

By MRS. GLENN JORDAN

I'm sorry that I didn't get the news in last week, but that was just another of those times when there just didn't seem to be time to sit at the typewriter, even for a few minutes.

## BIRTHDAY HONOREE

Mrs. V. F. Bryant was honored with a surprise birthday gift party in the ladies Sunday School Class of the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday morning, Nov. 17. Mrs. Bryant was presented many lovely and useful gifts. The congregation also sang "Happy Birthday" to Mrs. Bryant during the song service in the morning worship service. She is a very faithful and dedicated christian, and her testimony of her faith in God and dependence on Him is an inspiration to all.

On Saturday, Nov. 16 Mrs. Bryant was privileged to celebrate their 88th birthday with her twin sister, Mrs. James, at a luncheon in their honor in the home of Mrs. James' daughter in De Leon. Mrs. James resides at the nursing home in De Leon. Mrs. Bill Joiner took Mrs. Bryant to De Leon and joined in the festivities. Mrs. Bryant, may you and your sister celebrate many more Happy Birthdays together.

**THANKSGIVING SUPPER**  
Members of the Kokomo

Baptist Church and their guests met in the Fellowship Hall of the church on Wednesday night, Nov. 20, for their annual Thanksgiving supper of chicken and dressings and all the trimmings. Arrangements were under the direction of the social committee chairmen, Mrs. Cullen Rodgers and Mrs. Alvin Laster.

Following the bountiful meal, the group enjoyed singing songs of praise and Thanks giving. The young people presented two specials and Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Browning and Donna, and Bro. and Mrs. Bob Watson also rendered special music.

How thankful we are to know our Lord as a personal Savior

and to live in a country where we can worship Him openly and freely.

Mr. and Mrs. David Markham of San Marcos spent the weekend with Bro. and Mrs. Bob Watson and family, and attended the morning service at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday. The Watsons and Markhams were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Boyd at Olden.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Nelson, Tena and Travis of Lewisville spent last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Nelson. Jimmy also got in some deer hunting while here, getting a deer. The Nelsons also visited with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jordan.

Mrs. Vernon Fields and her

# CARBON NEWS

By VELMA HASTINGS

With the nice weather we have enjoyed the last two weeks lots of our people have been too busy to go visiting or have company, so we are short of news this week. Most of the people are very busy harvesting peanuts.

The menu for the week of December 2-6 at the School Cafeteria is as follows:

Monday — Pinto beans, buttered carrots, cold slaw, cornbread and milk.

Tuesday — Ground beef and gravy, green beans, peach cobbler, lettuce and tomato salad, hot biscuits and milk.

Mother, Mrs. Buster Johnson of Carbon visited with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Nachtigall in Sphenville during the weekend while Vernon, Buster, Joe and Lindell were deer hunting. They attended the morning services at the Baptist Church in Morgan Mill on Sunday. Richard was the guest preacher for the service.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Fuller were visiting with the Glenn Jordans on Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Dwayne Snell of Midland were recent visitors with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Fuller, and Ricky.

Mrs. D. S. Gothard of O'Brien spent Thursday night with her mother Mrs. H. C. Wharton, at Gorman. Mrs. Jim Jordan and Mrs. R. J. Crawley visited with them on Friday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Euell Allison and Alice Ann spent Sunday in Azle with Mr. and Mrs. Alvie Allison and attended the Thanksgiving program at the Azle Baptist Church. Alvie is the music director at the church.

Happy Thanksgiving to All. And remember to give thanks to the One, our Lord, who makes all our blessings possible.

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Wednesday — Minute steaks and gravy, peas, buttered rice peaches, hot rolls and milk.

Thursday — Vegetable soup, sandwiches, cornbread, crackers, milk, and chocolate cake.

Friday — Hamburgers, lettuce, tomato, onion, pickles, potato chips, Jello and milk.

Due to the high cost of sugar on some days there will be no dessert.

We are glad to report a new beauty shop in our town. Mrs. Nelda McDaniel opened her Swirl and Curl Beauty Salon here on Friday, November 22. This shop is found on the street that turns right at Restland Cemetery and is located one-fourth mile south of Restland on the right. Nelda says she will be open for business on Wednesday, Thursday Friday, and Saturday until noon of each week.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Clements and family of Levelland, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Huddleston and family of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Rogers, Abilene and Mrs. Bobby Clements of Searcy, Ark. visited Mr. and Mrs. Cullen Rogers during the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Walker and girls of Krum spent Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Buster Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bryant, Kevin and Karen of Moeville visited the Marvin Hales Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Parks of Roscoe spent a few days last week with the Bob Hastings.

Gary Pittman of Irving visited Mrs. Opal Hays Sunday. Visting Mr. and Mrs. Clyde

Cambell last week were daughters, Mrs. Nellie Myers of Odessa, Mrs. Drusilla Wrangosky and son of Viola Kansas Mrs. Mildred Peoples and baby of Springfield, Kansas, Virginia Boswick of Baird and Edward Ramos of Clyde.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Weaver of Ft. Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey L. Weaver, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Cates

and Mrs. J. A. Cates of San Angelo visited with the Jim Weavers during the weekend.

S-Sgt. and Mrs. James Culp, Ray, Karen, Tracy, Donna Michele are visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Henry Haile and Charlene this week on their way to Thailand.

Mr. Buster Johnson spent Saturday night with her grand daughter, Rev. and Mrs. Richard Nachtigall of Stephenville On Sunday they all attended church service at Morgan Mills where Rev. Nachtigall preached. They were all dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Nachtigall of Morgan Mills on Sunday.

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The downtown business district of Gorman reflects the holiday season by the Christmas lights now in place. The Chamber of Commerce decided the lights would be in service around Thanksgiving. Bright lights and the tower located in the center of Main Street will illuminate the downtown area each night from 6:00 in the evening to 10:30 p. m.

The lights were not used last year due to the energy crisis. Local Texas Electric Service Co. official W. C. Browning informed the Chamber of Commerce the lights could burn brightly this year. The time limit was placed on the lighting to conserve energy.

Many people may take Christmas lights for granted. However, they are not for many generous donations from dedicated businessmen the lights would not be possible.

The following is a list of businesses donating toward the cost of placing the lights and replacing bulbs: Gorman Progress, Higginbotham's, the First National Bank, Gorman Pharmacy, Smith Bros. Chevrolet, Todd's Variety, Foster Floral, Rankin's Army-Navy Surplus, Southwestern Peanut Growers' Association, Birdsong Peanuts, Mears Butane, Gorman Milling, Brown's Feed Store, Mehaffey Grocery and

**Homemakers Class Meet For Annual Thanksgiving Meal**

The Homemakers Class of the First Baptist Church held their annual class Thanksgiving supper Saturday night, November 23rd in Fellowship Hall. Member's husbands were guests.

The banquet tables were decorated with fresh fall flowers and pumpkins. Doris Bryan, class president was in charge of the program. Rev. Tommy Larner gave the opening prayer and Mrs. Beth Larner gave the Thanksgiving devotional.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Porter, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Preston, Mr. and Mrs. Sid Mason, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Reeves, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Lawrence, Mr. and Mrs. Hillary Seay, Mr. and Mrs. Hulon Lasater, Mr. and Mrs. Lendon Shipman, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Pond, Mrs. Annie Curb, Mrs. A. B. Duske and the above mentioned, and Mrs. L. D. Holliday.

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**Mrs. H. A. Collins Honored on 75th Birthday**

Mrs. H. A. Collins was honored on her 75th birthday, Sunday, November 24, with a family dinner in the home of her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Andry.

Mrs. Collins is the former Clara Hood and was married to H. A. Collins January 10, 1915 and they have lived in the New Hope Community since 1929.

Those present for the happy occasion were her five children, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Collins and Jane of Eastland, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Collins and John of Midland, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Collins, Bloomville, N. M., and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Don Collins of Mineral Wells and grandchildren, Melva Collins and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Darr of Abilene, Carol Jean Simmons and friend, Richard Cossett of Austin, a brother, Mr. and Mrs. Autry Hood of Gorman, Rt. 3, and friends, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Tucker and Joe, and Brenda Thompson of Odessa.

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**Rev. Don Turner Buried Thursday At Hendrson**

The Rev. Don Richardson Turner, 56, of Mineral Wells, a former pastor at churches in Gorman and Cross Plains, died Monday, November 18, 1974 in a Mineral Wells hospital.

Funeral services were held at 9 a. m. Thursday at the Calvary Baptist Church in Mineral Wells where Rev. Turner was pastor for the past nine years.

A second service was held at 4 p. m. Thursday at Eastside Baptist Church in Henderson. Burial was in the Old City Cemetery there under direction of Baum-Carlock-Bumgardner Funeral Home of Mineral Wells.

He is survived by his wife of the home; one son, Don Turner, Jr. of Mineral Wells; a daughter, Mrs. Nanree Lewis of Lufkin; two brothers, Bogerd Turner, Jr. of Henderson and William Turner of Columbus, Ohio; a sister, Mrs. Ruth Stone Hunt of Bryan; and three grandchildren.

—GP—

**LOCAL NEWS**

Rev. and Mrs. Bob Cope and Joe Bennett accompanied the MYF group to the SMU-Baylor football game in Dallas on Saturday afternoon. Those attending were Lonnie Bennett, Cheryl Arnold, Deliah Eaves, Ricky Klappenback, Curtis Whitlock, Eddie White, Jeff Broom and Randy Green.

Mrs. O. H. Fonken of Beatrice, Neb. is visiting this week with her brother, M. F. Allen.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Cooper and Jana Kay of Athens and Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Lucke and family of Abilene spent last weekend with their mother,



JUDGE BAILEY SIGNS PROCLAMATION — Watching Judge Scott Bailey sign the "Meat, Poultry and Dairy Products Month" proclamation are (left to right) Dee Williamson, director; C. M. Guthery, Farm Bureau president; County Judge Bailey, and Dee Gordon, County Agent.

**County FB Sponsors MPD X-mas Gift Certificates**

The Eastland County Judge has proclaimed the month of December as "Give Meat, Poultry and Dairy Products Month" in an effort to bolster the sale of some farm and ranch products that are currently in an economic slump.

The statewide promotion of Gift Certificates for Meat, Poultry and Dairy Products presents a happy solution to the dilemma of what to give for Christmas. The giving of these foodstuffs expresses the true spirit of the season. Furthermore, these products are in abundant supply at this time and are good buys.

The Eastland County Farm Bureau has developed a program encouraging the giving of gift certificates for meat, poultry and dairy products. The use of these certificates not only solves the problem of what to give, it also represents a timely boost for producers of these essential foods.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, as County Judge of Eastland County, do hereby proclaim the month of December, 1974 as "GIVE MEAT, POULTRY AND DAIRY PRODUCTS MONTH" and urge all citizens to take advantage of this unique gift idea. I further urge local news media to promote this positive approach to helping relieve the distress of these segments of farm and ranch community.

Signed: Scott Bailey  
Eastland County Judge

The campaign to encourage the giving of certificates for the purchase of meat, poultry and dairy products is being co-ordinated statewide by the Texas Farm Bureau, Texas Department of Agriculture, and other groups. They are providing the gift certificates to stores which do not have their own and are also furnishing colorful gift envelopes.

For those who wish to send a check or money order, Farm Bureau will provide an attractive message card explaining the gift idea along with a nice gift envelope. These are available at the Eastland County FB office in Eastland.

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