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of a Holy Night shines across the years,

and with scripture, song and prayer we recall the Miracle of

His birth. At Christmas, as we return in heart and

spirit to the sacred manger, let us rededicate ourselves

to the meaning and message of this wondrous time,

that we may know "Peace on Earth, Good Will to All Men."







# 18 Panthers Named To

Gorman placed eighteen of McElroy, Evant, senior, 195; FIRST TEAM - OFFENSE

Stacy Webb, Gorman, junior, Leonard, Rising Star, junior, 210; and Mike Williams, Evant 155; Secondary: Mel Maxfield, soph., 185; Tackles: Chuck Troutman, Gorman, senior, Stockton, Evant, senior, 155; 235; and Robert McElroy, and Ken Hounsel, Rising Star, Evant, senior, 195; Ends: Randy Barnes. Gorman, sen- SECOND TEAM - OFFENSE ior, 145; and David Conners, back: Mel Maxfield, Gorman, senior, 175; Runnings Backs: ior, 160; Mackey Elliott, Ris-Gibbs, Gornan, soph., 150; and

185. FIRST TEAM - DEFENSE Gorman, senior, 185; Chuck Evant; and Brian Sullivan, Troutman, Gorman, senjor, Lcmeta. 235; Lamar Gregg, Rising Star, junior, 170; and Robert Keith, Gorman; Randy Seaton,

their 1976 players on the 6-B Ends: Jack Jackson, Gorman, All District List for this sea- senior, 190; and Glen Dennard son. The complete list follows: Rising Star, junior, 170; Linebackers: Steve Keith, Gorman, man, senior, 225; Guards: Evant, soph., 185; and Terry Gorman, senior, 175; Alfred senior, 140.

Center: Ronnie Grubb of Evant, senior, 185; Quarter- Evant; Guards: Bobby Jay, Gorman; and Terry Leonard, Rising Star; Tackles: Charles Billy Burgess, Gorman, sen- White, Gorman; and Ronnie Stewart, Lometa; Ends: Reving Star, senior, 165; Blaine ise Laminack, Gorman; Joe Brown, Evant; and Kevin Don Freeman, Evant, junior, Rust, Rising Star; Quarterback: Steve Sugg, Evant; Run ningbacks: Johnny Childress, Down Linemen: Ed Cox, Rising Star; Calvin Burks,

Honorable Mention: Steve

SECOND TEAM - DEFENSE Linemen: Stacy Webb, Gorman; Clifford Lewis, Gorman; David Conner, Evant; Ronnie Grub, Evant; Keith Perkins, Evant; Marty Hill, Rising Star; and Art Kirby, Blanket; Linebackers: Brain Sullivan, Lometa; Blaine Gibbs, Gorman; and Sterling Hill, Blanket; Secondary: Ricky Troutman, Gorman; Nicky Newbury Rising Star; and Newman Fox of Evant.

Honorable Mnetion: Ron Roby, Gorman.

This is a tremendous accomplishment by the Panthers in dominating the All-District Teams, and we expect that Gorman will dominate the All-Area and All-State Teams, as we are the State Champs and have some of the most outstanding players in the whole country.

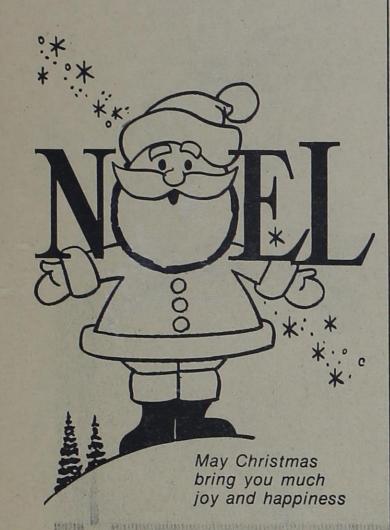


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"Therefore, all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them; for this is the law and the prophets" - Matt.

The Sermon on the Mount

world has ever received, in the most beautiful language ever conceived." In this sermon, our Lord has given the supmere declaration of the final importance of the inner life of man. One verse in this sermon has presented the basis of the relationship that God's people should bear to each other and to the world.

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expression of God's wisdom. It is an all-inclusive rule of conduct that is universally and eternally applicable. When properly understood, it is a guide for settling all types of difficulties and matters both in and out of the church. All preceding revelations of man's righteous relations to his fellow men are included in this one summary of life.

The human family is a closely knit group. There is hardly anything we do that does not, in some way, affect others. Recently, our nation was saddened and shocked at the loss of over one hundred lives in a ferry boat accident in southern Louisiana. It was learned from a coroner's report that the pilot of that ferry had too much alcohol in his blood to properly perform his job. One hundred people died as a result of the drinking habit of one man. What we do or fail to do

affects others. This is a gen-

"The Golden Rule" is an MRS. NICK DUGGAN HOSTS FAMILY CHRISTMAS EVENT Mrs. Nick Duggan had eight of her children home Sunday for an early Christmas family get-together.

Those home for the day were Mr. and Mrs. James McGillary of Garland, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Smithy of Dalas, Mr. and Mrs. Nickie Duggan of Waxahachie, Mr. and Mrs.

eral rule of life. The Christian lives considering those who are about him. He conducts himself in a way that will never bring harm or hurt, to anyone. Paul has declared: "For none of us liveth to himself, and no man dieth to himself" (Romans 14:7). This being true. let us continue to practice the rule which states: "Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them." (Matt. 7:12). Bill Wilson, Minister

Church of Christ Next Time: "Given By Inspiration."

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Mickey Stephens of Brownwood, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Duggan of Garland, and her father, Kevin Ledsom of England, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Overstreet of Lubobck, Mrs. Stella Rider and grandson, Clinton of Austin.

Others visiting with the families were Mrs. Duggan's sister, Mr. and Mrs. Rred Rodgers, and Mr. and Mrs. Crawford Thurman.

NOTE OF THANKS We wish to thank all those who had a part in any way in making our 50th wedding anniversary celebration one of the most memorable days of our lives. It was the first time in 14 years all of our children had been together at the same time. It was a most wonderful occasion and we are grateful to all who shared the day with

Mr. and Mrs. Jewell Snider

School Holidays Set Dec. 22-Jan. 2

Gorman Independent School District will dismiss classes on Wednesday, December 22 at 2:40 p. m. for the Christmas Holidays.

Classes will resume January 3, 1977 at the regular time.

TOWN HOLIDAY SET SATURDAY, DEC. 25

The business firms will be closed all day Saturday, December 25th, Christmas Day. The bank and Texas Electric Service Co. and Lone Star Gas Co. will be closed on Friday, December 24. -GP-

Mrs. Madell Roundtree and Rosemary of White Settlement spent the weekend with her mother, Mr. and Mrs. Truitt Coffman. Rosemary was the Homecoming Queen at Brewer High School.

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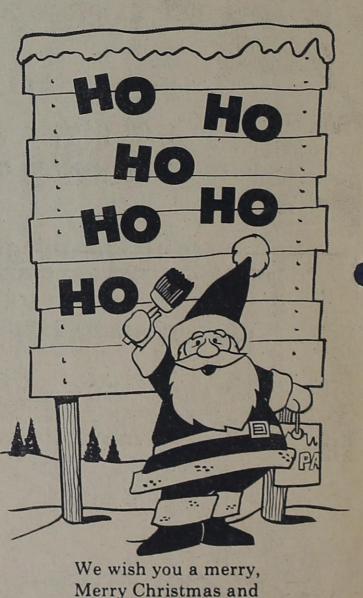
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blessings of Christmas.

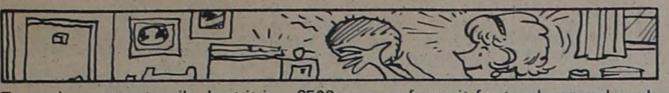


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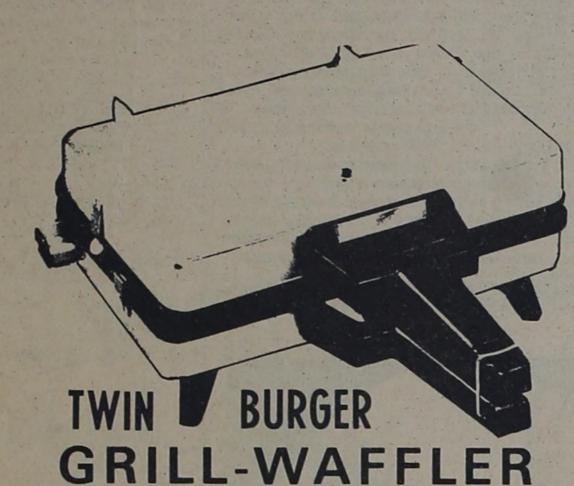


To crack a coconut easily, heat it in a 350° oven, or freeze it for two hours and crack it with a hammer blow.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

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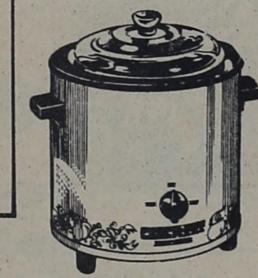
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I would like a rabbit hunt, mammouth jaws and Airtrix. Love, Michael Wheeler

Dear Santa.

I would like a bike, cook stove, baby Aline, and dishes. Love, Kristie Cordell

Dear Santa.

I would like a hot wheel set calculator. Rudolph record, and a football set.

Love, Shannon Bond

Dear Santa.

I would like a game, football set, tractor and wagon. Love, Johnnje Osborne

Dear Santa,

I would like a Dallas football set, and a bicycle. Love, Don Rodgers

Dear Santa. I would like a football, book

truck and record. Love, Rodney Helmuth

Santa.

I would like a bike. Love, Gary Thompson

Santa.

I would like Tincan Alley,

a walkie-talkie, football, bas- | ketball and racing set. Love, Scott Campbell

Dear Santa,

I would like a Dallas Cowboy set, Thundership 500, bicycle, beanbag and electric

Love, Scott Gressett

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Dear Santa,

I would like a racing set and Dallas Cowboy set. Love, Mike Ables

Dcar Santa,

I would like a wagon, bicycle and football set. Love, Mike Odom

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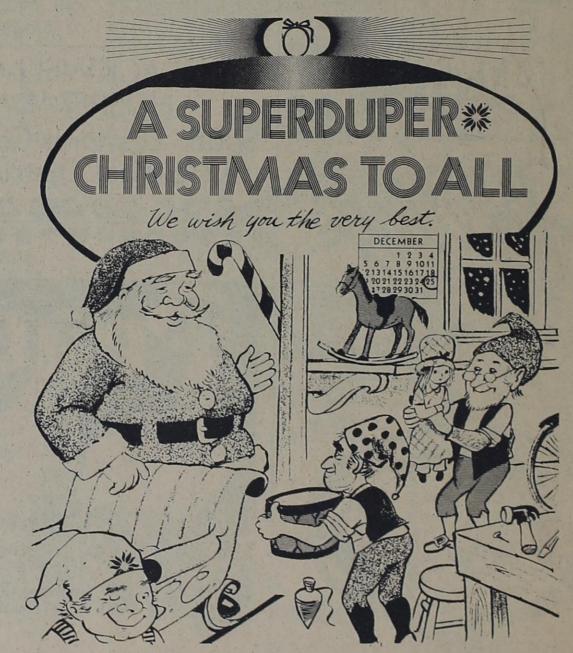
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## Desdemona News

By KOONE GUTHERY

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Holder, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Pug Guthery attended a Christmas supper at Eastland County Farm Bureau office last Monday night.

Just in case our neighboring towns didn't know this - -Desdemona is quite proud of everyone here. Last Tuesday night a barbecue supper was held in our local community

center. Tickets were sold and all proceeds went to the Guy Tidwell Heart Fund. Guy is now in Calif. waiting for a heart transplant. All food was donated by our local people so that is why we are proud of our little community and the great fellowship we have together. So we all send our 'best wishes" to Guy and his family.

Manford Lewis is up and around following surgery. Mrs. Benton Echols, Neta

Gee and Carrie Carr were in Brownwood shopping on Mon-

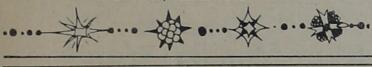
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#### Rites Held Friday For Father of Evelyn Rippetoe

Dennis Tipton Wrinkle, 80, of Bronte, died about 7 a. m. Wednesday, December 15, 1976 at West Coke County Hospital in Robert Lee.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 p. m. Friday at the Central Baptist Church in Bronte with Knox Waggner of

ed Monday and Tuesday with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs: Gary Barker and Garrett in Teague. She went to see her grandson be in a Christmas. play. He played the part of

Mrs. Vicki Robinett and Nikki of Stephenville visited Mr. and Mrs. Pug Guthery Thursday evening.

First Baptist Church younger children presented the Christmas pregram Sunday night. It was very pretty and enjoyed by all. "Thanks" to Mrs. Bonnie Watkins for doing the ledaing of it even if she did nearly break her leg doing it. Refreshments were served after all the gifts were handed out from a beautiful decorated tree.

Pug and Vonnie Guthery attended a 25th wedding anniversary reception for Bill and Chris Partain Friday in the home of Doug and Charlene Partain of Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Jack Rainey and Kristi of New Orleans, La. and Mrs. Amy Rainey, daughter of Larry Rainey, visited Mr. and Mrs. Jiggs Rainey. Amy got Grand-pa Jiggs to help decorate the Christmas tree.

Mrs. Neta Gee is visiting with her daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Doug (Betty) Higgins and Mr. and Mrs. John (Frances) Friday in Fort Worth this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Tim Creed Holly and Angela, visited his mother, M '.rand Mrs. Joe Miears in Fort Worth, Friday nihgt and Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Don Zinke of Weatherford visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Watkins, Sunday night. The Pug Gutherys wish our riends and neighbors a Very Merry Christmas and Happy

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Survivers include his wife; three laughters, Evelyn Rippetoe of Gorman, Leola Hughes and Lora Bell Brown, both of Bronte; two sons, Dennis T., Jr. of Levelland and Royce N. of Muleshoe, two brothers, Arthur and Willie, both of Bronte; 12 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hudson and Patricia spent the weekend in Houston with his mother, Mrs. Della Hudson, and brother, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hudson, and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Bedford Gottlieb.

#### ITEMS OF INTEREST

Gorman Primitive Baptist Church will meet Sunday, December 26th at 10:30 a. m.

Woman's Study Club will meet Monday, December 27.

Cub Scouts meet Monday, December 27th.

Boy Scouts meet Tuesday. December 28th at First United Methodist Church in Fellowship Hall.

M. J. Keith would like to hear from his friends in Gorman. His address is M. J. Keith 457089231 V-1, U.S.S. Guadacanal L.P.H.-7, F.P.O. New York, N. Y. 09501.

Alcoholic Anonymous meetings held each Monday night in Gorman. For information call 734-2049 or 734-2515.

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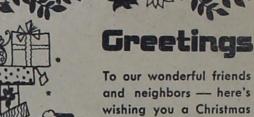




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#### Mr. And Mrs. **Ernest Norris** To Celebrate 60th

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Norris of 512 West Paurson will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary, Dec. 24th, 1976. They were married at KoKomo, Dec. 24, 1916. Their daughters are: Mrs. D.J. Evelyn) West, Eastland,

Texas, Mrs. Art (Willadear) Henneke, Enid, Oklahoma, Mrs. Marshail (Mary Lou) Story of Mineral Wells, also they raised Mrs. Norris brother, Bob Nolen of Kermit, Texas. They have eight grand-children and eight great- grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Norris moved here from Gorman, Texas, seven years ago. Mr. Norris retired from Higginbothams several years ago.

#### Community New Year's Program Slated Dec. 31

A Community-wide New Year's Program sponsored by the Gorman Ministerial Alliance, composed of the First Baptist, First United Methodist and Congregational Methodist Churches, will be held at the Congregational Methodist Church on Friday, Decem

A covered dish supper will be served at 7 p. m. with music and games. To welcome the new year in a brief worship service will be held at 11:45 p. m.

Everyone in the community is welcome and urged to attend the supper and the program to follow

#### Christmas Band Concert Held

Mr. Tim Fails and his award winning Panther Band presented a most enjoyable Christ mas Concert "A Little Ole-Fashioned" on 'December 16.

The concert also featured the Tonette Band, who presented five Christmas num-

The Junior High Band also did a superb rendition of six Christmas melodies.

The Panther Band was highly received with their rendition of the Christmas March, Christmas Tide, Rudolph, the Ited Nosed Raindeer, and Carol of the Drum.

The program was climated by the band playing the Panther Fight Song with the twirlers performing in their new Christmas costumes. Dedication of this number was made to the Gorman Panthers, State Champions.

Randy Green was master of ceremonies for the program. -GP-

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hudson and Patricia spent the weekend in Houston with his mother, Mrs. Della Hudson, and brother, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hudson, and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Bedford Gottlieb.

Mrs. Madell Roundtree and Resemany of White Settlement spent the weekend with her mother, Mr. and Mrs. Truitt Coffman. Rosemary was the Homecoming Queen at Brewer High School.

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#### JESSE COLE WEDNESDAY

Jesse Doyle Cole, 66, of Kermit, died at 9 a. m. Monday, December 13, 1976 of an apparent heart attack at the De Leon Hospital.

Cooper Funeral Home Chapel in Kermit with the Rev. J. S. Culvahouse, pastor of the Kermit Pentecostal Church, officiating. Burial was in the Kermit Cemetery.

Born October 10, 1910, in Energy, he was a retired drill ing company owner. He married Jimmie Grice January 14 1932 in Carbon. He was a former resident of Gorman.

Survivors include his wife; a son, James Perome of Sierra Vista, Ariz.; a sister, Verna Lasater of De Leon; a bro-ther, G. W. Cole of Kermit; and two grandchildren. -GP-

#### LAST RITES FOR WILLIE DAVIS ON FRIDAY

Willie William Davis, 84, of Gorman, died Wednesday, December 15, 1976 in the Blackwell Hospital.

at 2 p. m. Friday in Higginbotham Funeral Chapel with the Rev. Marion Dennis, pastor of Congregational Methodist Church, officiating. Burial was in Oaklawn Cemetery. Born July 29, 1892, in Mason County, he marrid Mattie Lloyd on December 5, 1961 in

Eastland. He was a retired mechanic and a member of the Congregational Methodist Church. He had lived in Gorman since

Survivors include his wife; two stepsons, Oran Dorset of Carthage and Viron Dorset of Robstown; a brother, Joe Davis of Brady; and four sisters, Lillie Crocker and Laura Davis, both of Gorman and Marie Latham and Gladys Smith, boys of Kilgore. -GP-

TOWN HOLIDAY SET

SATURDAY, DEC. 25 The business firms will be closed all day Saturday, December 25th, Christmas Day. The bank and Texas Electric Service Co. and Lone Star Gas Co. will be closed on Friday, December 24.

# SERVICES FOR

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Wednesday at the

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POUND

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