

Merry Christmas

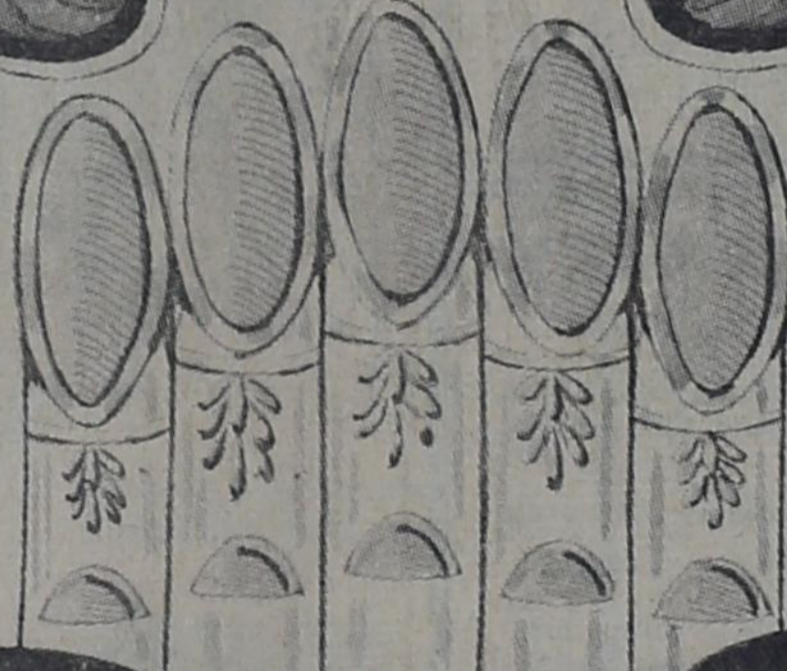


PRESS POINTS
JOE BENNETT, Publisher

It seems as though we are going to have a dry winter this year, as there hasn't been any rain to speak of in this area in a good while. We have had a couple of fairly cold spells of weather come in but we have not gotten the hard, fast thunderstorm type of rain that we need to fill the stock ponds and lakes in the area. The water level in the surrounding lakes continue to drop day by day and we all need to seek some help from the good Lord in bringing us some badly needed stock water and storage water in the lakes. Next time you go to him in prayer ask his help in bringing some life saving rain.

This week will be our Christmas edition and we hope that all of you will read all the wonderful greeting ads in this week's issue. The merchants of Gorman and surrounding area have been real great to us this year and a lot of them have Christmas Greeting ads in the paper this week. We deeply appreciate all these fine advertisers for making it possible for us to publish YOUR newspaper. When you are in the stores tell them you appreciate them for helping keep your newspaper going. We can never thank them enough for their cooperation.

We hope that the Good Lord has been as good to you and yours as he has to all of us here at the Progress, and everyone of us; from the community correspondents to this writer and his family



Let every heart rejoice in the meaning and the message of His birth. Sing praise for the season of peace

and promise...hope and happiness. Let us celebrate Christmas in the true spirit of brotherly love.

To all, we extend warm holiday greetings in the spirit of this most joyous season.

Homemakers Class Yule Party Held

Mrs. W. E. Beene hosted Homemakers Class Christmas Party in her home on Tuesday, December 11 with co-hostesses June Dossey & Jo Ann Butler.

The home was beautifully decorated with Christmas candles and greenery and holly arrangements.

Gladys Chambless gave the Christmas story & Louise Brown read a Christmas poem. The class yearbook was dedicated to Frankie Jo Shipman and Mrs. Lois Buchanan made the presentation.

The program was concluded with the group singing Christmas carols with Mrs. Dossey at the piano. Frankie Jo voiced the closing prayer.

White Elephant items that had been placed around the Christmas tree were exchanged and all brought an offering for Lottie Moon missions.

Refreshments of fruit salad, finger sandwiches, hot spiced teas, cheese balls, and assorted pecan candy were served.

Special guest were Mildred Roberts and Alice Eakins.

Members attending were: Doris Bryan, Lela Bell Bennett, Iris Preston, Lora Faye Warren, Euna Porter, Lavoyce Hirst, Frankie Jo Shipman, Anna Faye Foster, Jo Ann Butler, Bea O'Neal, Thelma Hampton, Barbara Tucker, Allene Reeves, Bonnie Watkins, Louise Rankin, Geraldine Wright and Opal Holliday.

—GP—



wish each of you the very Merriest of Christmas seasons and Happy New Year, and hope that the Lord will bless you in every way possible

We have had another good year and for this we are truly thankful and we will strive to continue to serve the folks of this area with the best possible service and products we can get. Thanks again, and God bless you and yours.

On behalf of the Lions Club of Gorman, let me express our thanks to all of the folks in Gorman and surrounding areas for their

fine support of our broom and mop sale held recently. You made the sale a big success the second time, we have held the sale and we are deeply grateful. Your support of this sale will help benefit the local civic projects of the club which are many. Again we thank you.

Received the following letter a few days ago and thought it would be a wonderful time to publish it. Think you will agree when you read it. Thanks Ouida Joyce.

Dear Mr. Bennett:
As you know, this is a very

busy, busy, time of the year, and unfortunately too many of us forget what the true reason for the celebration is all about.

Last night we arrived home late from work. It was dark, rainy, and very cold outside. My husband and I brought in the mail and opened all of the mail except one red enveloped Christmas Card. This card was made out to our little daughter, Tiffany and we wanted to wait and let her open it by herself. As she was opening her card, my husband was building a welcome fire in the fireplace

for us, and I began to read to Tiffany what was written in the "Sweet Baby Kitty" card, as Tiffany called it. As I read it, it brought tears to my eyes and a lump in my throat, the words in the card reminded me of what love and Christmas really is. The words I'm speaking of were not the ones printed on the card itself, but from the letter that was written to Tiffany from her Great-Grandmother ("Mom"). These were truly words of love sent from the heart. Mr. Bennett, if it would be

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Business Houses To Be Closed Dec. 25

Business firms will be closed Tuesday December 25 for Christmas Day and Tuesday, January 1 for New Years Day.

Other city holidays set by the Chamber of Commerce are Monday, February 18, 1980 for Presidents Day; Monday, May 26 for Memorial Day; Thursday, July 4 for

Independence Day; Labor Day, Monday September 1; Thanksgivings Day, Thursday November 28, 1980 and Christmas Day, Thursday December 25, 1980.

Higginbotham's employees will have an extra holiday Monday, December 31. All Higginbotham stores will be closed on this date.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

School Holidays are December 21 through January 1 - Town Holidays are Tuesday December 25 and January 1.

Girls Scouts Junior and Cadettes will meet each Tuesday at 3:45 p.m., at the First United Methodist Church in Fellowship Hall.

The South Eastland County Hospital District Tax office at Blackwell Hospital is open Tuesday and Friday only 8:00 a. m. to 4:00 p. m.

Church of Christ at Kucker urges all Church of Christ people to meet with them each Sunday at 10:30 a. m. Charles Marsh of Arlington preaches every 2nd Sunday and Johnny Snow of Abilene preaches every 4th Sunday.

Gorman Chapter 443 O.E.S. meets the first Monday each month at 7:30 P. M.

Gorman Lodge 716 AF&AM stated meetings 2nd Tuesday of every month at 8:00 p.m. Members urged to attend. Visitors welcome.

Want Ads

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FOR SALE: Two registered Hereford bulls, 16 and 19 months old. Larry Stewart. 734-2776. 11-29-FNC

FOR SALE: Portable generator 110 or 240 volt. Bill Gray. 734-2163. 11-22-fnc

FOR SALE: 1974 Ford Pickup. Call Gary Jackson, after 7 p. m. 734-2845. 12-13-FNC

FOR SALE: Coastal or Sudan Hay. \$2.00 per bale in barn. Stan Clark 817-734-2598. 9-12-29P

CUSTOM PECAN TREE SHAKING: \$2 per tree. Call B. C. or Gary Underwood. 734-2849 or 639-2549. 12-6-FNC

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FOR RENT: Trailer space with storage space available. Sunny Kellog, Phone 734-2347. 8-6 FNC.

FOR SALE: 4 inch and 5 inch irrigation pipe, 4 x 5 irrigation pump. Call 639-2381 after 7:00 p. m. James Vernon Fields. 12-3-FNC

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\$\$\$\$\$ Substantial Earnings taking short phone messages at home. 713-762-3105. Extension 328. 4-1-10-C

LOST: Large Male German Shepherd, Great Dane cross, near Hi Point at Gorman. Any information call Jamie Mason, De Leon Auto Supply 893-6776. 2-12-27-C



The patriotic hymn "America," written to the music of Britain's "God Save the King," was once this nation's national anthem.

Although Irving Berlin wrote "God Bless America" during World War I, he waited until 1938 to have it published.

FOR YOUR SHOPPING CONVENIENCE Our store hours will be 8:00 a. m. till 8:00 p. m. now until Christmas. Ronald's Variety Store, De Leon. 2-12-20-C

NOTICE: Cash, 1 buy coins, silver and gold, 9 times face on uncirculated silver. Buy cloeds. Call collect 817-261-2111. 8-1-17-C

BIDS: Eastland County Precinct 3 is accepting bids on a used 99 E or 12 caterpillar with 14 ft. slide mole board with trade. Submit bids to L. T. Owens, Precinct 3, Rising Star. Trade in may be seen at County Barn at Rising Star. Bids will be opened at 10:00 a. m. December 28, 1979. 2-12-20-C

FOR SALE: 1978 Mercury Cougar 43,000 miles. 758-2617. Janie Livingston. 2-12-20-C

FOR RENT: 5 room unfurnished apartment in Gorman at 103 Crescent St. West Apt. Call Ina Foster. 893-2614. De Leon. 12-6-FNC

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Spirit of Christmas past is still present today

Christmas 1879. Snowflakes gently envelop cities, towns and glens across the continent in a deep, white blanket of snow. The scenerio is reminiscent of the days of "Currier & Ives."

The hustle and bustle of Christmas preparation begin to the tune of side-walk Santas ringing their bells for the benefit of homeless, immigrant families. Coachmen leading horse and buggies cordially escort shoppers from store to store, in the midst of crowded city streets.

Logs burn in living room fireplaces, warming the hands and toes of weary Christmas travelers who have come by way of train, horseback and foot to spend the holiday with family and friends.

The smell of pine fills rooms, a reminder of the search in the woods for an evergreen bigger and grander than that of the year before.

As grandmothers reveal their secret recipes for creating perfect gingerbread men and 'chok-full-of-chocolate chip' cookies, wide-eyed children observe, awaiting the chance to sneak a drop of sweet tasting batter.

100 years later and the scenes appear quite different from those of "old-fashioned" Christmases of long ago.

Reflecting modern technology and changing ideologies, today's holiday season is marked with new and changing symbols and traditions.

Coast to coast

The customs and tokens that say "Merry Christmas" appear on television, over the radio, and in newspapers and magazines. Santa Claus is now a universal symbol.

No body of land or water prevents the world wide exchange of greetings of "Joyeux Noel," "Feliz Navidad," and "Buon Natale," as Christmas cheer is spread via satellite.

Closer to home, Christmas ornaments of plastic, aluminum and other metals adorn windows, doors, roofs and landscapes. Twinkling multi-colored electric lights augment the shimmering glow of a clear winter's night.

Families venture out on Christmas Eve to purchase the latest in shiny, aluminum Christmas trees in shades of pink, white and evergreen.

Gifts are chosen from the latest in multifaceted appliances, clothing and jewelry.

And, the season is celebrated, in the office, in restaurants, on stage and at home.

Time of love

Times have surely changed. And, along with them, the holidays and celebrations that have survived the ages.

Christmas past was part of a simpler, less complex society, thus it was celebrated in such a manner.

Modern lifestyles often do not lend themselves to the unhurried and often time consuming preparations characteristic of earlier days.

However, a change in the modes of celebrations does not mean that Christmas present is any less significant or meaningful.

As long as Christmas represents a hope for the future, the freedom to give and receive with warmth and meaning, and a time of love, the meaning of Christmas will endure, and Christmas 2079 will be as special as any Christmas past.

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SENIOR CITIZENS

Hil Here I am after a two week absence. I feel a lot like a boat without a rudder. Some fourteen years next month since I moved to Gorman. I could see fairly well then and could take care of myself fairly well. Tho now those days are gone forever. As my eyesight and other (many) complications makes this impossible. So about the 1st I will enter Lawndale. I do not intend to enter there as a recluse but will try to enjoy my stay there.

I want to thank everyone for the many deeds of kindness shown our family during those trying hours. I visited my son, Vernon for a few days at Crane. I went with him two evenings. We covered about 200 miles each evening. One evening we went to six shallow gas wells. Just 22000 feet deep. They have been producing ten years and some are making ten million cu. ft. per day yet.

I saw thousands of bales of cotton at the gin. We went by one filled with 97 palletes of cotton in one field, each pallet of module has about eleven bales or over 1000 bales in that one field to be ginned. I saw many fields with over 100 bales in the field waiting to be ginned. Where the 1000 bales were, the land belonged to a

preacher by the name of Billy Sol Estes. This man bought it when (the land) the U.S. sold it. He also bought a pecan orchard. We went by his barn and bought some pecans. One dollar per pound. He had several thousand pounds of pecans.

I spent eight days in Albany with my daughter Betty and Earl. We saw a little snow, sleet and ice. Tho not much ice, as they had just 4/10 moisture. Tho it was very cool up that way. So you can see I have been a regular gad about lately.

It so happened that I failed to get to go to Odis Rodgers funeral. That day I had to go to Abilene with Lola for a check-up on his pacemaker. Then when Ray passed away Lola was very serious in hospital here. They were both pupils of mine. My sympathy goes out to Ray's family.

I am sure the old people that are now in their second childhood are getting very nervous and are counting these remaining seven days until Old Sants will bounce in with a Mery Old HO! HO! They are probably more anxious than the younger folks. As they know there is a real Santa Claus with that sleigh pulled by those prancing reindeer.

I had better say A Merry, Merry Christmas and Many Happy Years for all of you in the future.

The Rambler Reporter



Wilderness areas in the U.S. were first set aside in 1937 on Indian reservations and in national forests.



The U.S. produces more crude petroleum than all of Africa put together, U.S. Interior Dept. statistics show.

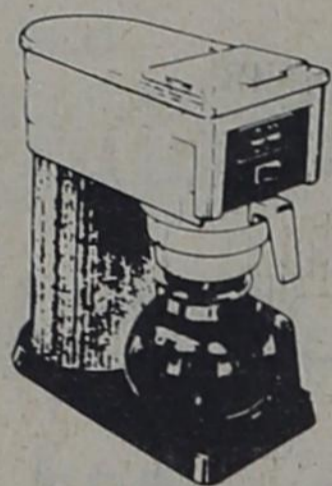
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Merry Christmas

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May all good things that mean Christmas be yours.

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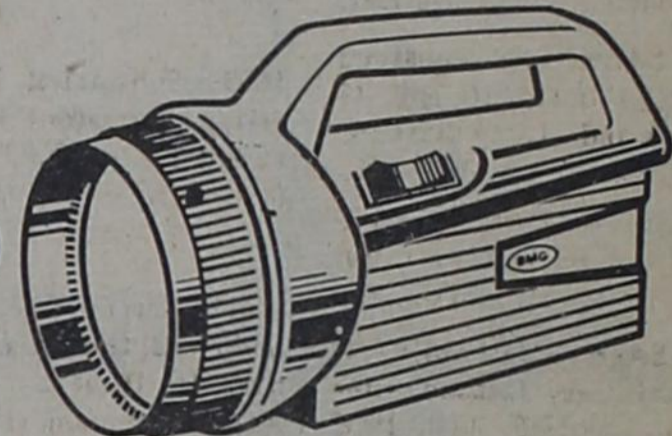
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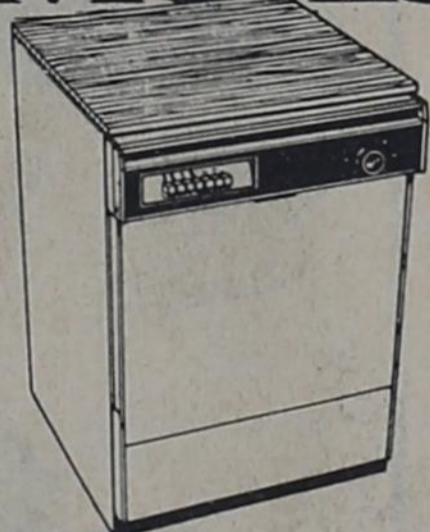
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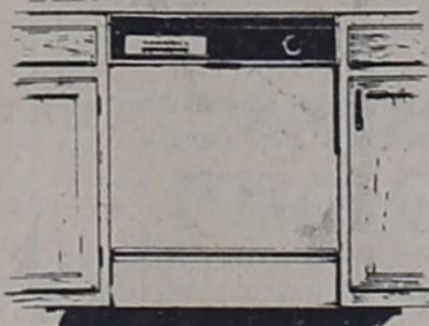
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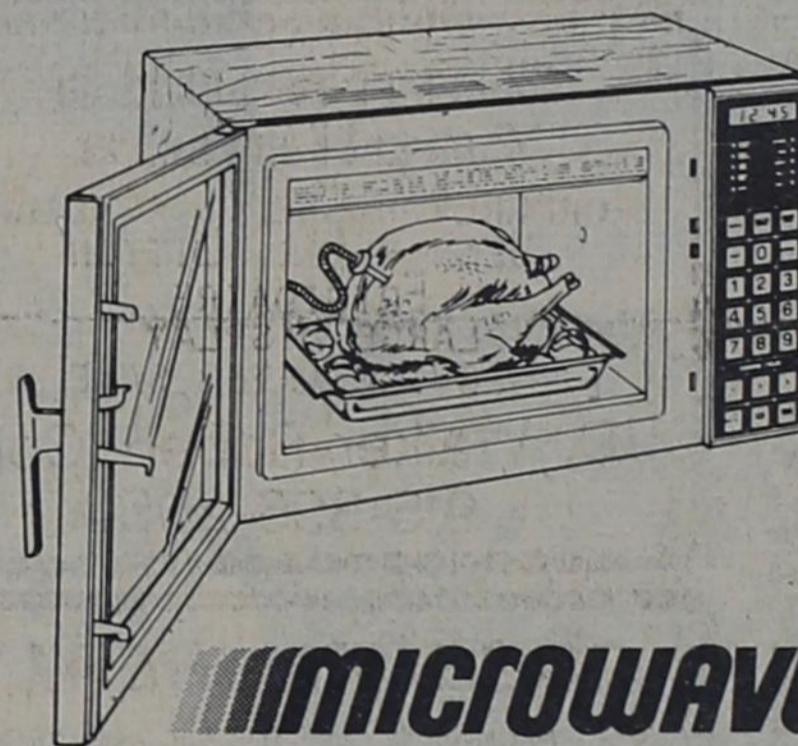
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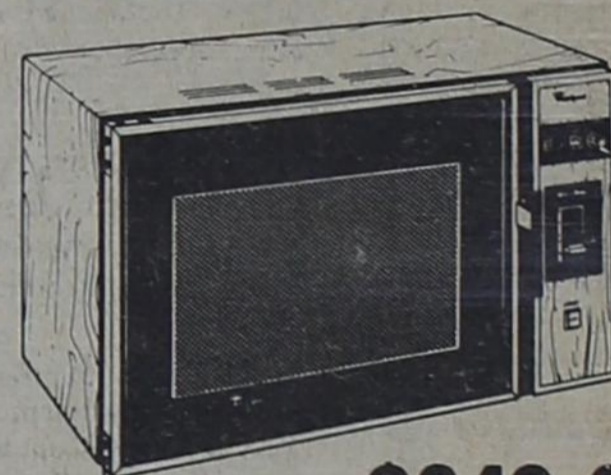


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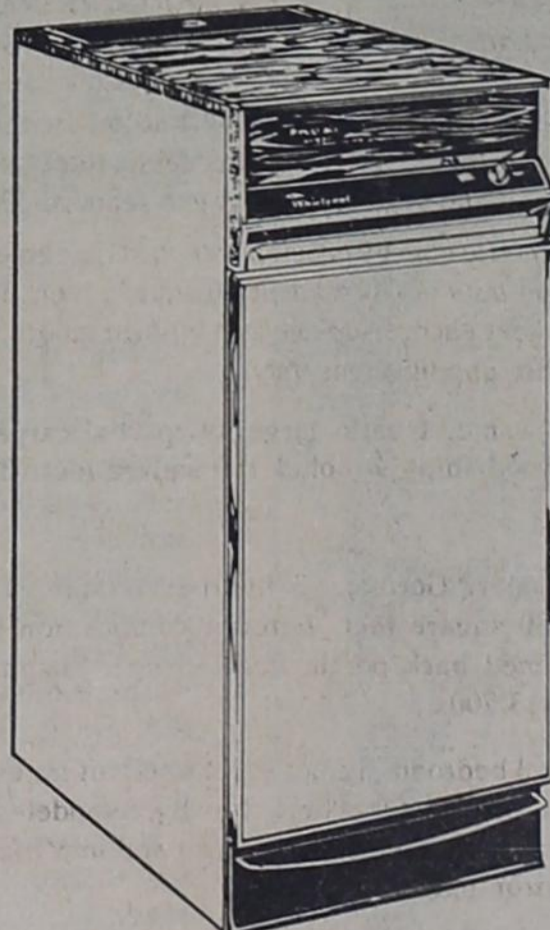
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ROBERT SARABJA REPORTS FOR DUTY

Marine Pvt. Robert Sarabja, whose wife, Debbie, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. McMellain of P. O. Box 675, Carbon, Texas, has reported for duty with 1st Force Service Support Group, Camp Pendleton, Calif.

He joined the Marine Corps in March 1979.

GP CORRECTION

Our apologies to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Maaney for the typographical error in last week's issue of the Progress in the announcement of their wedding anniversary. They celebrated their 60th anniversary and not the 69th as was published.

Baked And Packed With Love

When the weekend turns rainy, or company cancels a visit to your house, here's a thoughtfully delicious project. Call in the youngsters to help, too. Let them scout around for reusable tins and containers as you bake a batch of Coconut Dream Squares. This recipe combines Baker's Angel Flake coconut with chopped walnuts, brown sugar and a few other ingredients resulting in a chewy cookie bar. Cool the just-baked squares before cutting. Pack in foil-lined containers cushioned with waxed paper. Deliver with loving pride to your favorite person.

COCONUT DREAM SQUARES

- 1 cup unsifted all-purpose flour
- 1/4 cup firmly packed brown sugar
- 1/3 cup softened butter or margarine
- 2 eggs
- 1 cup firmly packed brown sugar
- 1/4 cup unsifted all-purpose flour
- 1/2 teaspoon double-acting baking powder
- 1-1/3 cups (about) flaked coconut
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1 cup chopped walnuts

Combine 1 cup flour and 1/4 cup brown sugar. Add butter and mix until thoroughly blended. Press firmly into ungreased 9-inch square pan; bake at 350° for 15 minutes.

Meanwhile, beat eggs until thick and light in color. Gradually add 1 cup

brown sugar and continue beating until light and fluffy. Sift 1/4 cup flour with the baking powder; fold into egg mixture. Mix in coconut, vanilla and nuts. Spread over baked crust in pan. Bake 20 to 25 minutes longer or until lightly browned. Cool; cut in squares. Makes about 2 dozen.



Warm wishes for a Christmas full of peace and happiness. Special "thanks" to all our customers and friends.

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Freddie Gilmore, Mechanic & Owner

PUBLIC NOTICE

Lone Star Gas Company, in accordance with Section 43(a) of Article 1446c V.A.T.C.S., hereby gives notice of the Company's intent to implement a new schedule of Service Charges and a revised Gas Cost Adjustment clause, applicable to residential and commercial customers in the environs areas (outside incorporated limits) of Gorman, Texas effective December 24, 1979.

These proposed changes, when implemented, are expected to furnish a 2.74 percent increase in the Company's gross revenues in the environs of Gorman, Texas.

A Statement of Intent has been filed with the Railroad Commission of Texas and is available for inspection at the Company's business office located at 308 S. Seaman St., Eastland, Texas.

Any affected person desiring to contest such changes can file a complaint with the Director of the Gas Utilities Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P. O. Drawer 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas, 78711.

Lone Star Gas Company

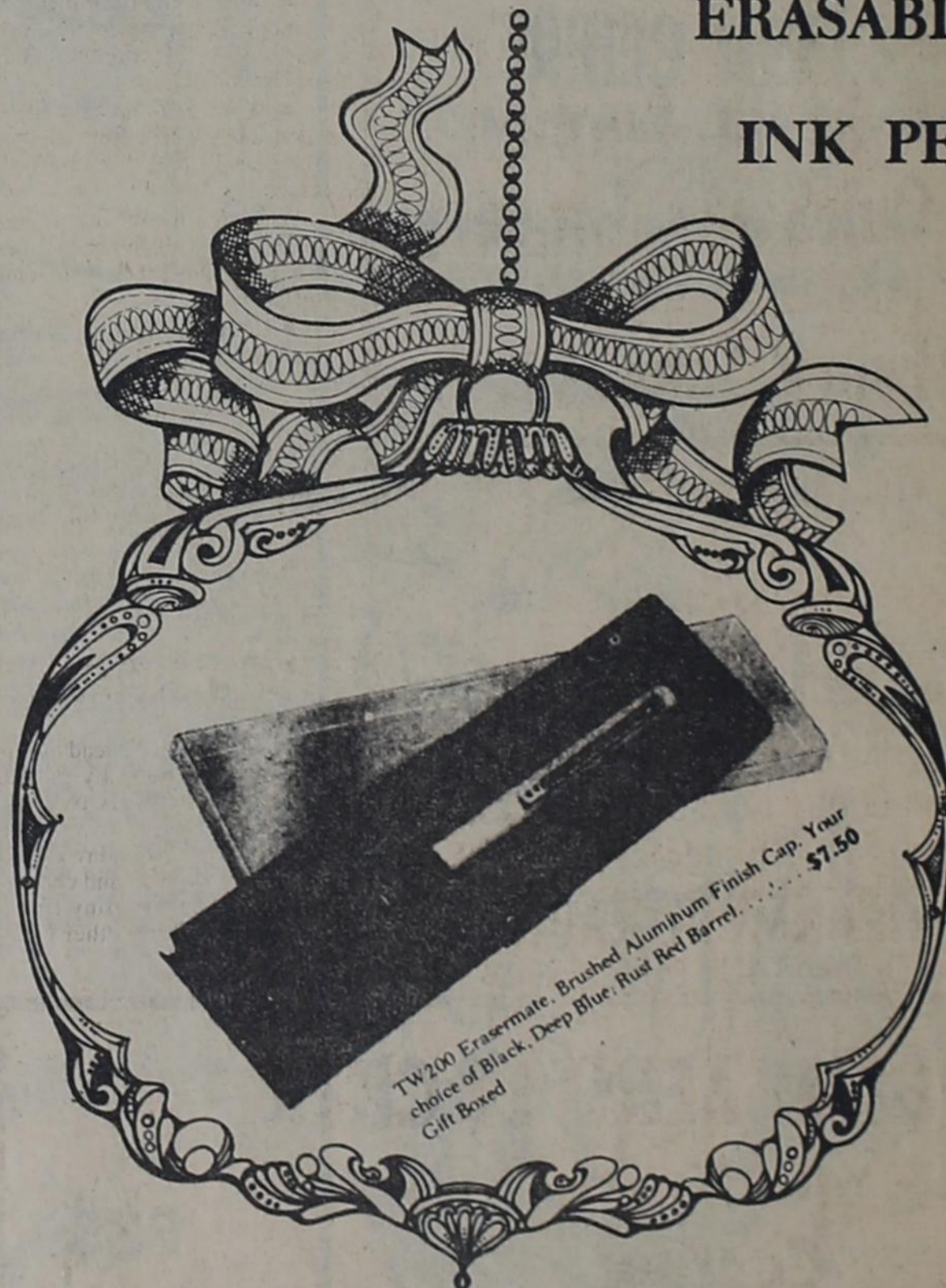


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CARBON NEWS

By Mrs. Bob Hasting
639-2517

Well Old Man Winter arrived here last Wednesday morning with everything covered in ice. Lots of three limbs are on the ground from that. The moisture was very welcome.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Palmer of Camilla, Georgia, are visiting their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. B. Hall Redfearn and family.

Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Sandlin were visiting relatives in Springtown and Trinidad last week.

Mmes Ila Payne and Shasta Young of Hamlin spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Luther Gilbert.

Mrs. Jack Abbott visited her daughters and families, the Don Jordans and the

Emmerdan Marengers of Odessa last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Doug Bryant Heather and Heath of Dumas are visiting the Truman Bryants and the Mack Stubblefields.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Bennett of Wichita Falls visited Mrs. Ruth Reese on Friday.

Visiting the Jack Abbots on Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. Billy Jack Tucker and family of Monahans and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Tucker of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Adair of Houston spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hines.

Water regulates body temperature by evaporation through the skin and lungs.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our thanks and appreciation to the doctors, nurses, and staff at Blackwell Memorial Hospital for the good care given our loved one. Also for your prayers. A special thanks to

those who brought food and to the ladies of the First Baptist Church for preparing and serving the family dinner. Our thanks to Rev. Darrell Dossey and Rev. Joe O'Neal for their message of comfort and to Mrs. Lois

Buchanan and the members of the quartet for the beautiful music. The kindness and concern of Ray Daniels shown the family was greatly appreciated. May God bless each of you.

G. F. Bennett
Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Bennett and family
Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Bennett and family
Mr. and Mrs. Earl Little and family
Mrs. Mary Prescott and family
Mrs. Judy Hamiltob and family

—GP—

Louis XVI, King of France in the late 18th century, found it difficult to keep awake in the royal council.

DESDEMONA NEWS

By Vonnie Guthery

Morris and Agatha Nance was in Kerrville Sunday to attend the 90th birthday of her sister, Mattie Genoway Shackleford.

Dorothy Ryon is home doing fine after several days in Ranger hospital.

Steve Nance brought the Sunday nite message at First Baptist Church. We are so proud of our young people of our church. They are always willing to do their part.

Also following the service Sunday nite at First Baptist was a surprise birthday cake for our pastor's wife, Care Ruth Thiebaut. The cake made by Pat Buckley was shaped like a red stop sign with "STOP" wrote on it. I would tell you her age but I'm NOT ready to be an enemy.

Congratulations to Cindy Buckley Abbey of De Leon as she graduated Sunday from Tarleton State University. Now Grandmam Pat is out of a baby-sitting job — so she is hunting work.

Mr. and Mrs. Leland Pack and daughter of Lubbock visited his parents Rim and Dixie Pack over the weekend.

The Methodist Church Christmas supper was Monday night in the home of Morris and Agatha Nance. There was 19 to attend. Good food and fellowship for all.

Visiting Jerry and Pat Buckley and family over the weekend were her parents, Jack and Mary Williams of Kermit and Dick and Aunt "red" Seaton of Marshall. They all attended the graduation of Cindy Abbey. Also visiting was Corine Waldron of Clyde.

Tommy John Williams of Dallas visited with Bill and Dorothy Greenhaw one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Seaton of Marshall and Melinda

Tips to keep you relaxed

If you want to avoid last-minute hassles on Christmas Eve, these tips may help you celebrate in a more relaxed manner.

- Be sure you have plenty of wrapping paper, gift tags, tape, ribbons, well before the middle of December.

- Wrap gifts as you select them and get them home and put them away in a "child-proof" place.

- Keep a list of gifts to buy, and have it with you at all times. Check names off as you select gifts.

- Get extra stocking-stuffers for the unexpected friend or relative who drops in.

- And more tips to help keep you relaxed.

- Check the Christmas tree lights before you put them on the tree; don't wait until Christmas Eve to do it.

- A tree "skirt" to keep needles from dropping on the carpet can be made from an old sheet.

- Make ice cubes and store them in plastic bags to await the big day.

- Turkey sliced ahead of time can be kept moist by putting damp paper towels over the platter.

- Have your holiday clothes freshened, tried on and checked for buttons, snags, tiny rips in the seams, or any other catastrophe.

Buckley visited in Graham, Tuesday and Wednesday, with Mr. and Mrs. James Buckley and boys.

There were several visitors at First Baptist Church Sunday.



During this most special season of the year, we most appreciate the warmth and good will of neighbors and friends.

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Wedding Bells ARE RINGING

Tindall - Turley To Pledge Vows Dec. 29

Beverly Tindall and Ronnie Wayne Turley will pledge their wedding vows at 7:00 p. m. Saturday, December 29, 1979 in the Chapel on the Bosque at 600 E. Washington in Stephenville. Local invitations will not

Revels - Curb To Pledge Vows Dec. 26

Mrs. Mary Revels announces the forthcoming marriage of her granddaughter, Marie Annette Revels to Riley Dale Curb on December 26, 1979 at the New Hope Baptist Church. Riley is the son of Mr. and

be mailed. All friends and relatives are invited to attend the wedding and reception.

B. Tindall Shower Honoree

Beverlie Tindall, bride-elect of Ronnie Turley, of Stephenville is the honoree at a bridal shower Saturday, December 8 in the Currency Room of First National Bank. Refreshments were served from a table laid with white lace cloth over maroon. An arrangement of maroon and pink carnations intermingled with greenery centered the table. Maroon tapers highlighted the table.

Hot chocolate, coffee, nuts and cookies were served. Patty Martin and Donna Tate served guests. Cindy Gailly, sister of the bride-elect presided at the guest register book.

Special guests were the honorees mother, Mrs. Deana Roy Tindall of Dallas; step-mother, Mrs. Dean Tindall of Garland; Mrs. Darwin Turley of Stephenville; the mother of the groom-elect and grandmother, Mrs. Roy Crawley of Gorman and Mrs. Dophane Tindall of Ranger.

Hostesses were Mozell Rhymes, Zeld Jordan, Norma Webb, Frankie Joe Shipman, Mary Kirk, Estelle Craddock, Lana Sharp, Mary Clark, Betty Harrison, Jo Ann Butler, Claudia Jay, Twila Wallace, Essie Maupin, Peggy Singleton and Mildred Roberts.

The guinea pig, a native of the Andean highlands of Peru, isn't a pig at all but a rodent related to the rabbit.

Mrs. Dale Curb of Gorman, Marie is the daughter of David Revels of Lubbock, Texas and Julia Belgau of Lancaster, California.

Football Follies

The oldest active NFL player is Jim Marshall, Minnesota Vikings' defensive end, who will be 42 in December.

The youngest player in the NFL is the Cincinnati Bengals' Steve Kreider. The rookie wide receiver from Lehigh was 21 on May 12th.

Jackson leads the NFL's list of most popular last names with 17. Williams is next with 15, followed by Jones with 13, and White with 11.

According to A-T-O Inc.'s Rawlings Sporting Goods Company, the first numbered football jerseys were worn in 1908 when Washington and Jefferson played Pittsburgh.

Services For Virgie Lee Sunday

RANGER - Virgie M. Lee, 88, of Ranger died at 5:15 p. m. Friday, Dec. 14, 1979 in Ranger General Hospital after lengthy illness. Services were at 2:30 p. m. Sunday in Killingsworth-Edwards Funeral Home Chapel.

The Rev. Jerry Spear of East Side Baptist Church officiated. Burial was in the Alameda Cemetery.

Born Jan. 5, 1981, in Tennessee, she was a member of the East Side Baptist Church.

Survivors include two sons Eugene Franklin and O. M. "Reese" Franklin, both of Ranger; a daughter, Mrs. W. S. (Mildred) Bradley of Odessa; a brother, Carl Perrin of Ranger; 10 grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren.

Lawndale News

Those visiting in our home last week were Mrs. L. A. Blair, Earnest Barnes, Mr. and Mrs. Homer C McClearen, Lois Melton, Lillie Hop-ton, Tommy Haile, Helen Chandler and Velma Bennett.

If we missed anyone, we are sorry, but if you do not sign the guest book, we have no way of knowing who visited in our home. Please sign our guest book.

Tuesday was Bingo Day again, our residents look forward to each Tuesday. Before Bingo, Jr. Fairbetter came and played his accordion for us. He played some Christmas songs for us. Our thanks goes out to Jr.

Our Bingo winners were Quincey Fuller, Ennice Clemmer, Mary Harrell, Lexie Wright, Mrs. Timmons and Mrs. DeGuire. Lexie Wright was our Blackout winner. Out bingo games have been moved back to 2 p. m. each tuesday. All volunteers are welcome.

Wednesday: Luke Palmer brought our Bible Study. His message was from 2nd Timothy. We had eleven present and all enjoyed the message very much.

Thursday night was singing night as is every Thursday night at 7 p. m. We missed all of you singers last Thursday. But wish to express to Pat and Lisa Cornwell our warmest thanks for their time and talents and for sharing them with us. The residents appreciate you very much.

We wish to thank all who have sang for the residents this Christmas season. Also to all of those who have brought gifts to our residents, they were greatly appreciated by all. And to all of you and other friends and relatives we wish you each a very Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year.

Jettie Daniels

USDA PROPOSES REVISION OF GRADE STANDARDS FOR SHELLLED PEANUTS

The U. S. Department of Agriculture is proposing to combine the separate grade standards for shelled runner type peanuts, shelled Spanish type peanuts and shelled Virginia type peanuts.

The proposal will promote uniformity in grade standards for shelled peanuts according to Donald L. Houston, administrator of USDA's Food Safety and Quality Service (FSQS). The single set of standards for shelled peanuts would provide the peanut industry with a uniform basis for trading which would be in line with current marketing practices, Houston said.

The standards would provide for uniform quality requirements, standardized definition of terms and defect tolerances applicable to each peanut type. The size classification currently used in marketing shelled peanuts have been included in the proposed grade standards, Houston said.

Only shelled peanuts in the raw state, before final processing, are affected by the proposal. The proposed standards would be used only as a basis for trading before processing and are not consumer grades.

The proposal was scheduled to be published in the

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Dec. 14 Federal Register. Copies are available from the Fruit and Vegetable Quality Division, Food Safety and Quality Service, USDA, Washington, D. C. 20250.

D.C., 2025, where they will be available for public inspection.

FSQS establishes grade standards and provides official grading service for many food products, under authority of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946. Use of the standards and grading service is voluntary and is paid for by the user.

IT'S CHRISTMAS

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Season's Greetings

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PRESS POINTS

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possible, could you please print the letter that my grandmother wrote in the Progress? She nor anyone else knows that I am submitting this to you. I feel that it would be a blessing for anyone to read.

Here it is:
Dear Little Tiffany:
Here it is Christmas again! Such a joyous time of the year when Love is everywhere!

When we learn that it is the simple things of life that count. Take our little Christmas trees. They came from a tiny seed that was loved and cared for by God and his little Baby of that lovely Christmas so long ago. It has furnished shelter for the animals and the little birds who sat on it's

branches and sang "Joy to the World" with their heads held high, so proud of their humble abode.

Also, let us remember the little long eared Donkey, not a beauty to behold, but it was blessed to be the one to carry Mary, the Mother of that little Baby of the first Christmas, safely to the Manger in Bethlehem. So let us all listen in on that "Silent Night, Holy Night" and we can hear that Heavenly Chorus still singing; "Glory to God in the Highest".

You have brought so much joy and happiness to this family, may you always be the sweet Little Tiffany you are now, and may your life be filled with the Joy and Love of Christmas.

Merry Christmas,
Mom and Pop

Delmer Brown To Retire ETSU

Delmer Brown, head trainer and instructor in health and physical education and former head track and field

This letter was written by my grandmother, Ora Mae Atchison, to her great-granddaughter, Tiffany Ren'e Nowlin.

Thank you for your time and we truly want to wish each one of you a very Merry Christmas. We look forward to receiving our Gorman Progress every week.

Sincerely,
Quida Nowlin
Ouida Nowlin
(Ouida Joyce Atchison)
Mrs. Ronnie Nowlin

And remember to smile because God Loves You!

coach at East Texas State University, has announced his retirement at the end of the spring term, 1980.

Coaching the Lions to seven Lone Star Conference track and field championships, Brown also was a member of the North Texas State University track team which won LSC titles in 1937 and 1938.

Teaming with Rideout twins, Blaine and Wayne, and his twin brother Elmer, the four made up what was then the world's best sprint medley team at NTSU.

Brown also set an individual school record in the 100-yard dash with a time of 9.6, two-tenths of a second off the world record of Jesse Owens. His 20.7 mark in the 220-yard dash was ran when

Owens held the world record of 20.3. Brown also had a long jump of 25 feet 1.

Serving Baylor University as trainer and track coach from 1946 until 1952 and trainer for the Pittsburg Pirates baseball team in 1953, Brown first arrived on the ETSU campus in the fall of 1953 and stayed until 1955, before departing for Texas Tech University where he served as trainer and track coach until 1958. Brown returned to ETSU that same year as trainer and head track coach.

In 1964, he was head trainer of the United States track team at the Tokyo Olympics. A member of the Helms Foundation Hall of Fame, Brown was named LSC Track

Make sure to eat properly and relax during festivities

Don't let the holiday season get you down.

Proper nutrition and personal health care can get lost in the excitement of parties, shopping and holiday preparations.

Take an afternoon or evening off from the holiday rush, to relax and enjoy the company of family and friends.

and Field Coach of the Year in 1967 before retiring from coaching in 1977.

Delmer was a former resident of Gorman and attended Gorman schools.

—GP—

eat properly. Total enjoyment of the holiday season is possible only when you feel as festive as the occasion.

—GP—

"Give me a man that is capable of a devotion to anything, rather than a cold, calculating average of all the virtues."
Bret Harte



Holiday Cheer

Sending a sleighful of warm wishes this holiday season to you and yours... Merry Christmas all!

MR. & MRS. R. M. ROBBINS

TREAT THAT EVERYONE CAN ENJOY

The Christmas season brings gifts from the oven—all sorts of cakes, candies and cookies abound.

But, for the 29 million Americans who must restrict their salt intake, the holidays are filled with temptations that may prove hazardous to their health.

With a little time and research, those who must restrict themselves to salt-free diets can also indulge in luscious holiday desserts that are safe and nutritious as well.

Spiced walnuts are a treat that can be enjoyed by everyone.

SPICED WALNUTS

- 1/4 cup fructose
- 1/2 cup cornstarch
- 4 tps. ground cinnamon
- 1 tsp. ground allspice
- 1/2 tsp. ground nutmeg
- 1/2 tsp. ground ginger
- 2 egg whites
- 2 cups walnut halves (or any other nut)

Preheat the oven to 250°F. Sift together the fructose, cornstarch, cinnamon, allspice, nutmeg and ginger into a bowl. Mix well and set aside.

Lightly beat the egg whites in a bowl. Add the walnuts and mix well.

Coat each walnut with the fructose-spice and shake off any excess dry mixture.

Place, well spaced, on a well-oiled cookie sheet. Bake 1 1/2 hours.

Remove, cool and store. This large quantity can be wrapped in a decorative fashion and given as a gift.

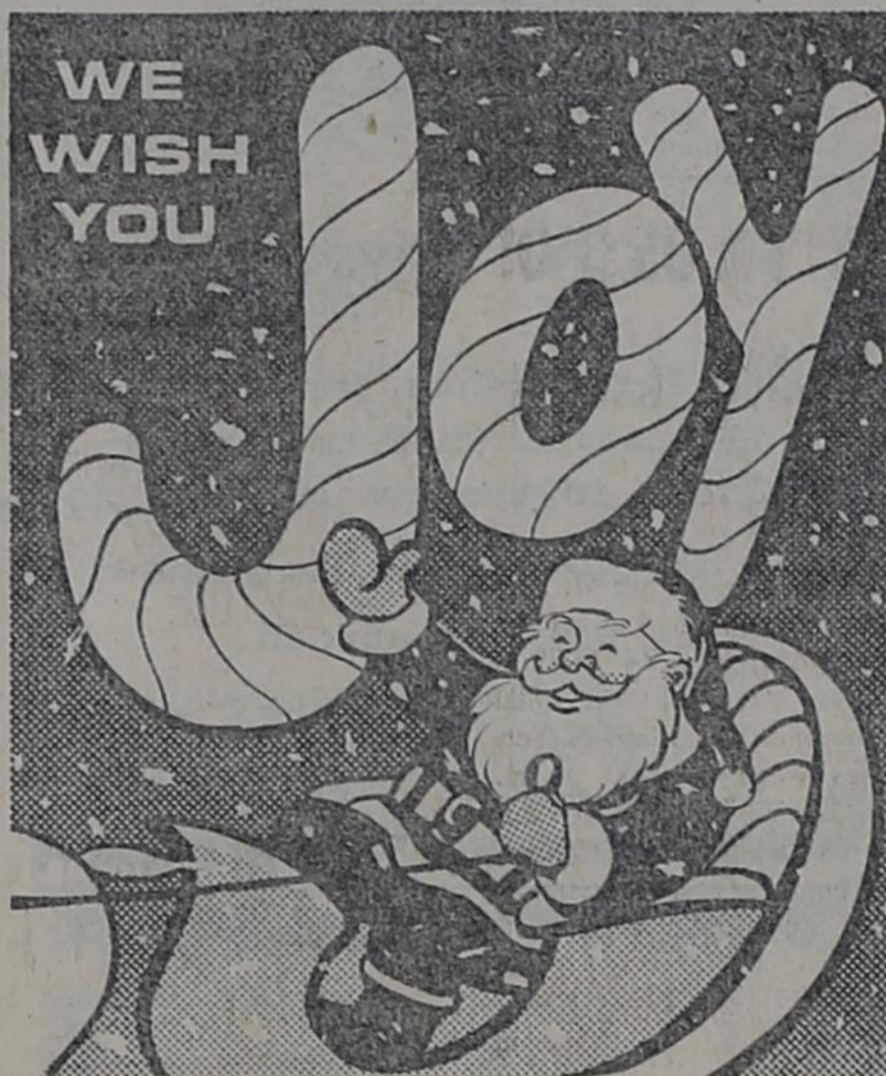
Recipe from *Secrets of Salt Free Cooking* (101 Productions) by Jeanne Jones.



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Pecan Bake Show Winning Receipt

Twas the night before Christmas, And all through the kitchen not a creature was stirring, Just mom and her mix'n! Yes, holiday foods are a wonderful part of the festive Christmas season.

The recently held Eastland County Pecan Bake Show had a marvelous array of baked goodies!

Mrs. C.T. Brockman, of Eastland, won Grand Champion of the Adult Division with her Pecan Pie.

PECAN PIE

3 eggs
 1/2 cup granulated sugar
 1 cup white corn syrup
 4 Tbsp. melted butter or oleo
 1 tsp. vanilla
 1 cup pecan (whole or chopped)

Beat eggs slightly; beat in sugar; add corn syrup, and vanilla; last, add melted butter. Pour nuts into 9 inch pie shell and spread over bottom of pan. Pour pie mixture over pecans. Place in 450 degrees (preheated) oven for 5 minutes. Lower temperature to 300 degrees and bake for about 35 minutes.

Candy is always a special treat for the holidays, and Kathy Trout's Millionaires were just that! Kathy Trout of Eastland was Reserve Grand Champion in the Adult Division.

MILLIONAIRES

1 (12 oz.) package caramels
 2 Tbsp. water
 2 cups chopped pecans
 1/4 block paraffin
 1 (6 oz.) package chocolate chips

Melt caramels with water in top of double broiler. Stir in pecans. Drop by teaspoonful on waxed paper. Refrigerate until firm enough to remove

from paper. Melt paraffin and chocolate chips in top of double broiler. Dip caramels into chocolate mixture with fork and placed on waxed paper.

Leanne Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L.C. Brown of Eastland, was Grand Champion winner in the Youth Division. Leanne's prize winning entry was a pecan pie.

PECAN PIE

3 eggs
 2 3 cups sugar
 1 cup white corn syrup
 1/4 cup melted butter or margarine

1/4 tsp. salt
 1 tsp. vanilla
 1 cup chopped pecans
 1 9-inch unbaked pastry shell
 In mixer bowl, slightly beat eggs, add sugar, corn syrup, butter, salt and vanilla. Blend well. Add pecans and pour into pastry shell. Bake in 400 degrees oven for 10 minutes. Decrease temperature to 350 degrees and bake 30 to 35 minutes.

Darla Sadler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Sadler of Eastland, was Reserve Grand Champion winner. Darla's prize winning entry was Mexican Fudge.

MEXICAN FUDGE

1 1/2 cups sugar
 1/2 cup milk
 1/3 cup oleo
 3 Tbsp. white syrup
 Dash of Salt
 Cook until it forms the soft ball stage. Add 8 large

LILIA E. PITTMAN RECEIVES DEGREE FROM TWU

Lilia E. Pittman received her Master of Arts Degree in History from Texas Woman's University in graduation exercises on December 16.

She graduated with a 3.98 grade point average out of a possible 4.00. While studying at TWU Mrs. Pittman was active in International Students serving as treasurer 1974-75 and was a member of the Spanish Club and a member of Student Government Association. She was also a Honorary member of the Alpha Theta in recognition of conspicuous attainments and scholarship in the field of history.

Her thesis was the Relationship of the Republics of the Philippines and the United States of America; The Economic, Military and Political Implications. The thesis contained 348 pages and she did her research at the Library of Congress in Washington, D. C., International Library of the Columbia University in New York, Boston University, Southern Methodist University, Abilene Christian University, North Texas State University, Texas Wesleyan University and the University of Texas in Austin.

Lilyan University and the University of Texas in Austin.

Lilia is the wife of Merle E. Pittman of Gorman.

When complaining to a store or manufacturer doesn't work, you should send a copy of your letter to the Better Business Bureau, which will get in touch with the firm.

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May Christmas bring to you only joy and peace. Thanks to all our customers.

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Holiday Wishes

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We would like to take the opportunity of greeting everyone and wishing all a Merry and Blessed Holiday Season.

We also would like to convey our sincerest appreciation and gratitude for the opportunity given us to serve you.

Again, HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

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Merry CHRISTMAS

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Greetings to all of our friends and our sincere thanks for letting us serve you. Happy holiday all!

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Canapé Creations For Holiday Giving

To make this holiday season merry, here's a delicious gift you can make ahead for every friend and hostess on your list: homemade loaves of Tomato-Herb Bread. Rich with the warmth and color of Contadina tomato paste, each zesty loaf can be baked right in the can (use the skinny 6 oz. size tomato paste or juice cans) and sliced into a dozen 1/4-inch rounds just right for holiday canapés.

The recipe makes eight loaves. Wrap individually in silver foil, and freeze until needed. Then tie up each silvery loaf with a yard of red plaid ribbon (long enough to be recycled into a hair ribbon collection) and you have a beautifully useful gift.

For good measure, take along a jar of Creamy Topping for Canapés. A smooth blend of cream cheese and instant nonfat dry milk powder (to help hold down the holiday Calories), it's seasoned lightly with onion and dill. The beauty of Creamy Topping is that it forms a superb base for any number of topping variations, such as sliced fresh mushrooms, sardines, or water chestnuts. A list of suggested canapés is given with the Creamy Topping recipe.

As a final touch of thoughtfulness, copy these recipes and include them with each gift package. These gourmet gifts can go on indefinitely!

TOMATO-HERB BREAD

(Makes 8 canapé loaves)

- 1/2 cup water
- 1 package (1/4-ounce) active dry yeast
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 tablespoon melted butter
- 1/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese
- 2 teaspoons oregano leaves
- 1 cup (8-ounce can) Contadina Tomato Sauce
- 2 3/4 cups flour

Heat water to 105° to 115° F. Pour into large bowl. Sprinkle yeast over water. Stir to dissolve yeast. Add sugar, salt, butter, Parmesan cheese, oregano, tomato sauce and 1 1/2 cups flour. Beat by hand until smooth, about 2 minutes. Stir in remaining flour until thoroughly blended. (Dough will be sticky.) Cover bowl with towel. Let dough rise in warm place, about 85° F., free from drafts, about 1 to 1 1/2 hours or until dough has doubled in bulk. Stir down dough; beat by hand about 1 minute. Fill 8 well-buttered 6-ounce cans (juice cans, tomato paste cans) half full with dough. Cover cans; let rise until dough reaches top of cans, 20 to 30 minutes. Bake in moderate oven (375° F.) 15 to 20 minutes. Remove bread from cans immediately by shaking cans. (If bread is



difficult to remove from cans, remove bottom of cans and push bread through.) Cool on wire rack. Wrap bread and chill several hours before slicing into 1/4-inch rounds. Spread each round with softened cream cheese or butter. Sprinkle with paprika.

CREAMY TOPPING FOR CANAPÉS

(Makes about 1/2 cup)

- 1 package (3 ounces) cream cheese
- 1/3 cup Carnation instant nonfat dry milk
- 1 tablespoon water
- 1/8 teaspoon dill weed
- 1/2 teaspoon instant minced onion
- 1/4 teaspoon seasoned salt

Combine all ingredients in small mixer bowl. Blend thoroughly. Chill. Spread on slices of Tomato-Herb Bread. Top each slice with one or more of the following:

Sliced fresh mushrooms, sliced radishes, sliced ripe olives, sliced green olives, sliced green onions, chopped hard-cooked egg, pimiento, chopped green chilies, sliced green peppers, sliced pepperoni or frankfurters, sardines, sliced water chestnuts, capers, chopped parsley, paprika.

BASKETBALL NEWS

In game action in Lingleville Tuesday, December 18 the Gorman girls lost to Lingleville 56 to 53.

Boys A team lost to Lingleville 83 to 80 in a high scoring game.

The Gorman Junior High boys won their game with Lingleville 42 to 40 and the girls lost their game 41 to 36.

KOKOMO CLUBS HAVE CHRISTMAS PARTY

The spirit of Christmas and good will was felt on Monday night, December 17, when the Kokomo Extension Homemakers Club and the Kokomo Community Club met in the fellowship hall of the Kokomo Baptist Church for their annual Christmas party.

Bags of fruit and candy was fixed to help Santa out when he comes to the Christmas Program at the church. Boxes of fruit, candy and cookies were fixed to be distributed to the elderly, sick or lonely of the community. Everyone had such a good time filling the beautifully decorated boxes with all the Christmas goodies.



Good Will to Men. May This Joyous Season touch the Hearts of Everyone.

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Season's Greetings

WISHING FOR ALL OF YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR 1980

In The Hustle And Bustle Of Business, With Its' Saving and Slaving Grind, We Are To Apt To Credit Success, To The Works Of Our Own Hands And Mind - But - We Pause At This Goodwill Season - To Give Credit Where Credit Is Due - To Thankfully Say That Our Progress - Is From The Friendship Of Just Such Folks As You.

Yes - Just Such Folks As You (Our Devoted Customers And Friends) Are Responsible For Our Being Able To Have Been With You For The Past 55 Years, And On The Same Corner of Kent And Ross Streets For The Past 48 Years.

For This Privilege, We Are Very Grateful To All Of You.

SMITH BROS. CHEVROLET COMPANY

The Late: R. E. L. (Ed) Smith - W. C. (Check) Smith and Geo. L. (Bud) Smith

SALES  SERVICE

(The Oldest Chevrolet Dealership in Eastland County)

WE WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 24 and TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25

SMITH BROS. CHEVROLET CO.
"CHECK" - "BUD" SMITH



MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!

And to all our heartfelt greetings and best wishes for a most happy New Year.



RANGER SAVINGS
121 Main Street
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To us, people are worth a lot more than money.

MERRY MERRY MERRY Christmas

The Gorman Progress Staff and Families



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THE BILL RIDDELL FAMILY
THE BOB HASTINGS FAMILY
GEORGE BENNETT

MEAT SPECIALS



FRESH GOOCH'S
GROUND BEEF **\$1.29** LB.

ROAST GOOCH ARM **\$1.49** Lb.

ROAST GOOCH CHUCK **\$1.39** Lb.

STEAK GOOCHES Round **\$1.89** Lb.

GOOCH GERMAN SAUSAGE **\$1.19** 12 Oz. PKG.

SHORTENING
3 LB. CAN Limit 1 **\$1.99**



LETTUCE CALIFORNIA EACH .39
LARGE HEADS

BEANS DEL MONTE Green **CORN Whole Kernel Cream** **3 FOR \$1.**
303 CANS

DEL MONTE GOLDEN RIPE
BANANAS
Pound **25¢**

TOMATO SAUCE **5 FOR \$1.**
8 Oz. Can

WELCH
GRAPE JUICE
24 OZ. BOTTLE **99¢**

X-Mas Candy **29¢**
8½ Oz. MIX OR 8 Oz. RIBBON

ALL APPLIANCES & WATCHES PRICED FOR CHRISTMAS

CALIFORNIA **ORANGES** SUNKIST NAVEL Lb. **29¢**

CELERY CALIFORNIA STALK **29¢**

APPLES EXTRA FANCY WASHINGTON POUND **49¢**

ICICLES
TWO SIZES
REG. 29¢ or 98¢ Size
1/2 PRICE

MORTON HOUSE OVEN-BAKED **BEANS** **49¢**
16 OZ. CANS

Jay's Grocery & Market
GLADIOLA MEAL 5 LB. BAG Limit 1 **89¢**
PRICES GOOD THURSDAY THRU SATURDAY
PHONE 734-2316 GORMAN

GORMAN PROGRESS DECEMBER 20, 1979



Ice cream was advertised in America as early as 1777.

KOKOMO NEWS

By Zelda Jordan

It really got very cold in a hurry on Sunday when the norther blew through here. Thermometers around here registered around 12 to 14 degrees early on Monday morning. Warmed up a lot during the day.

The Church Christmas program will be on Wednesday night Dec. 19. There will be a fellowship following the program in the fellowship hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hendricks visited with Mrs. Daisy Wood at Carbon on Wednesday night.

Mr. & Mrs. Vernon Fields had their children and grandchildren Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fields, Michael and Caylea of Livingston, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Nachtigall, Taylor and Trevis of Perrin and Lindell home for an early Christmas celebration on Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Bell and Jamie of Denver City visited with the Glenn Jordans on Friday night.

Mr. Wayne Eaton of Abilene was a dinner guest of

the Claude Fullers on Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Hooper of Pampa spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Claude Fuller and Ricky, and also with her dad, Mr. Q. D. Fuller at Lawndale in Gorman.

Kami Jo Leonard of Canadian is visiting this week with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Clearman.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Hallmark, Debby and Amy and Mr. and Mrs. Gregg Kent of San Angelo, Mr. & Mrs. Tim Fails of Comanche, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Little, Ray Neal and James and Melissa Tankersly of Eastland visited during the weekend with Mrs. Vern Garrett.

Mrs. Berniece Rodgers has returned home from a two weeks visit with her daughter, Mrs. Neal Gilbert and family in Hobbs, N.M.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all. Let's pray that 1980 will be a very good year for everyone.

Eastland Due Two Wildcats

Deeper of two wildcats staked in Eastland County is Hexagon Oil & Gas Inc. of Fort Worth No. 1 Carl D. Gorr, slated for 3,800 feet.

Location is two miles northwest of Cisco on a 160-acre lease.

It spots 467 feet from the south and 2,173 feet from the west lines of Section 508, SP Survey, A-1474.

Other venture is Ridgeway Petroleum Inc. of Abilene No. 2 R. P. Morton, having a proposed depth of 1,900 feet.

It will be drilled three miles southeast of Nimrod on a 160-acre lease.

Site is 1,200 feet from the north and 700 feet from the east lines of Section 78, Block 3, H&TC Survey, A-1823.

Location is 330 feet southeast of No. 1 Morton, drilled by Big Country Exploration which set 5½-inch casing at 2,558 feet.

Ridgeway has acquired No. 1 Morton and will attempt completion at 1,750 feet.

Santex Oil Co. of Arlington will drill No. 1 Pitman in the Carbon (Caddo) Field five miles west of Gorman.

The planned 2,900-foot venture is located on a 147-acre lease.

It spots 330 feet from the south and west lines of George Miller Survey, A-379.

Lee Brothers Oil & Gas Production of Rising Star will reenter to 3,600 feet a project four miles northwest of Rising Star in the regular field.

Located on a 175-acre lease, it is No. 1 J. A. Rutherford. Site is 2,140 feet from the south and 330 feet from the east lines of Section 41, ETRR Survey.

DID YOU KNOW?

Garbage Is Becoming A National Resource

Garbage is becoming a national resource. As more communities burn trash instead of fossil fuels to generate electricity, our discarded disposable products become a resource instead of a burden—and the resource can be substantial.



Quiz yourself. How much garbage does the average American generate in a single day? Is it closer to 10 pounds, five pounds, three-and-one-half pounds, or one pound?

According to the U.S. Government's General Accounting Office, we each create three-and-one-half pounds of garbage on a given day—from the empty egg carton at breakfast to the empty lunch soft drink can to the day-old newspaper.

Thanks to concerned citizens, progressive local governments, environmentalists, educators and

associations like the Society of the Plastics Industry's Foam Cup and Container Division, more Americans are recycling instead of wasting.

In the past, people turned some of these useful, convenient disposable products into litter by carelessly discarding them after use. Litter not only costs all of us money to clean up, but is also a waste of potential energy.

Through proper disposal, bottles and cans can be recycled. Disposable cups and containers can be burned like coal or natural gas to generate electricity.

Progressive communities that burn garbage to generate electricity are finding that garbage enriched by plastic foam cups and food containers can deliver some 18,000 BTU's of heat, per lb., about the same as fuel oil.

Although a relatively small percentage of the nation's recyclable garbage resource, foam cups can perform another role for communities that dump garbage in landfills. Since the foam won't decompose, it adds stability so the landfill can be reclaimed sooner for productive use.

"Custom is lord of all mankind." Pushkin

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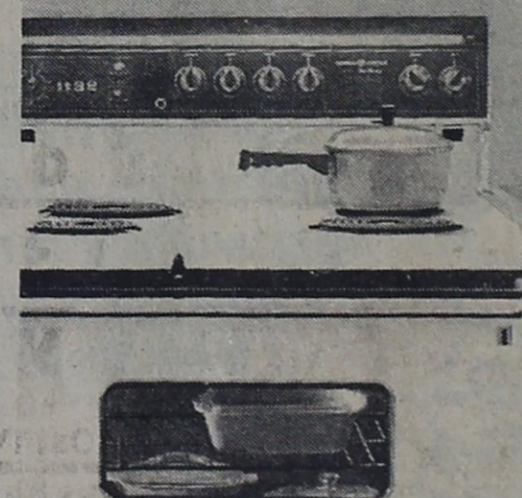
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Come see us soon. Or call and we'll come see you. 'Cause it's the Olney way to save.



For every way to use electricity in the kitchen, there's a way to use it more efficiently.



Keeping your heating and cooling costs down are the biggest ways to save electricity, but there are lots of little ways, too.

Your kitchen is a good place to start. Here are a few ways to save.

Use flat-bottomed pans. The flatter the pan the better its contact with the cooking unit. A tight-fitting lid on your pan will reduce cooking time.

Use less water. By cooking vegetables with the least amount of water possible, you'll

improve their appearance and nutritive value, and you'll save electricity.

Reduce cooking time. Thaw meats before cooking them. This will save cooking time and energy.

Make efficient use of your oven's heat by cooking several foods at the same time.

Use your oven timer and

keep the oven door closed. Opening the door unnecessarily causes heat loss and extended cooking time.

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