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Press Points

Joe Bennett, Publisher

Well it did rain in spots the other day... but spots is all it rained in. Some received a good shower and others didn't get narchie a drop. It even stopped the baseball tourney going on at Peanut Park for a spell, but it wasn't long before it quit and play began again a little while later.

Anyway, if you were where the rain fell, congratulations, and if you were not where it fell, better luck next time.

Maybe some weather will move through soon and clear away all this stuffy, dry weather and we can start getting some good old cloudy, rainy, cool weather for a change.

—J—

Yes its true, we have opened a printing plant in Eastland. No, it is not true that service will be curtailed here in Gorman. We would not do anything to jeopardize our plant and the service we offer to folks in this area. We will continue to give the best possible service we can give to our customers in the Gorman plant. We have hired additional help to keep our service right for our customers.

The new plant in Eastland is named Maverick Printing Co. and we will be specializing in the "Quick Print" type of printing for the present. We have several good customers in Eastland and we decided to make it easier for them to get printing done. The shop at Eastland was opened on Monday and is located at 112 N. Lamar, next door to the Majestic Theater. The better half will be handling the office duties and a printer will be on duty each day. I may even get the better half to get that old ink under her nails. In fact, I think she already has after we washed up the press on Tuesday to change colors of ink.

Anyway, we wanted everyone to know that our service here was not being cut short and that things will operate as usual.

—J—

Things are coming right along on the construction of the new fire-hall building. The land has been cleared and graded down and fill dirt has been hauled in to prepare for the pouring of the slab for the floors. There are a lot of fill dirt there to be leveled and packed before setting the forms.

—J—

Also noticed that the Peanut Corporation of America is in the process of adding a very large amount of floor space to their facilities. The new portion will house the warehouse section of the facilities. This company is going good and they have needed the extra space for some time now. We will have a picture of the progress as soon as the structure is started.

There are a couple of more things happening in Gorman that we will have more details on next week.

I still haven't gotten a picture over at the Clark Construction building. The gang is making headway every day and the project is coming along fine if Ole Tommy's money holds out. Noticed the new, fancy door was in place Tuesday night. And I imagine the front will be changing looks real soon now.

—J—

Hope everyone enjoyed the girls teenage tournament here on the weekend. Hope everyone got their fill of all the good baseball played and all the great food in the concession. It

Lee Ann Scott - Ray Shipp GRESSETT - OSBORNE II RECEIVE STATE AWARDS



Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Scott of Route 1, Blum, Texas which to announced the engagement of their daughter Lee Ann, to Ray Shipp, son of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Hines of Route 1, De Leon, Texas. Miss Scott is a graduate of Blum High School and also graduate of Nursing. She is presently employed at Harris Methodist in Fort Worth. Mr. Shipp is a graduate of Granbury High School and is presently an auctioneer and Livestock Dealer. The couple have selected September 9, 1983 as their wedding date and plan to reside in Gorman, Texas.

Dane Gresssett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Gresssett of Gorman, receives a 4 year scholarship \$8,000 from the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo.

Dane has been very active in the FFA the past 4 year in high school. Dane, who plans to major in agriculture was one of 50 recipients of Houston Livestock Show. The scholarship was presented at the state FFA Convention in San Antonio.

He also was runner-up in the swine proficiency on state level. Dane was also runner-up last year in state for this award.

Phil Osborne II son of Mr. and Mrs. Phil Osborne, also won honors on the state level. He received the Lone Star Farmer Award and was 3rd in state in Crop Production Proficiency Award.

These proficiency awards were won on the outstanding job these boys have done on their project programs over the last 4 years.

Dane and Phil both plan to apply for the American Farmer degree next year; This degree is the highest honor a FFA member can receive.

I want to thank Dane and Phil for their outstanding accomplishments in receiving these awards and scholarships; They both have set an example for the younger FFA members in what can be accomplished with a positive attitude and some extra efforts.

Bo Caraway
Vo - Ag Teacher

CORRECTION

Football player Mark Swanner was inadvertently omitted from the list of letterman returning on the Panther squad that appeared in last weeks issue of the Progress in the article Campbell Picks Panthers Second in District - 8.

The article in Texas Football summer edition stated that Running Back Mark Swanner was the brightest of the 16 prospects of the 16 lettermen rerunning. Other outstanding players named were Fullback, Rhett Harrison, End, Russ Gresssett, Guard, Juan Pacheco, and Royce Ridens, tackle.

All armed well for the season.

—GP—

OLIVER SPRINGS REUNION SET SATURDAY

Oliver Springs Reunion will be at De Leon Garden Club house August 6th Starting at 10 a.m. until? All exstudents friends and neighbors invited.

Bring basket lunch and enjoy the day.

—GP—

BAND PRACTICE TO BEGIN ON AUGUST 8

Gorman Bands will begin fall band practice on Monday August 8 at 7:30 p.m.

All band members and prospective band members are urged to be present for the first session.

The band will also be practicing each Monday, Tuesday and Thursday until school starts.

—GP—

Melissa McGee of College Station is visiting this week with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Chandler.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Gorman School Board will meet Monday, August 8.

Chamber of Commerce will meet Thursday, August 11 at 9:00 a.m. at City Hall.

Crimestoppers will meet the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center.

City Commission will meet Thursday, August 4 at 8:00 a.m. at City Hall.

South Eastland County Hospital District Board will meet the Third Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Hospital.

A Musical will be held the Second Friday night of each month at 7:00 P.M. at the Fire Hall. The Public is invited to attend.

Gorman Chapter 443 O.E.S. meets 1st Monday each month at 7:30 p.m.

Gorman Annual School Homecoming, Saturday, September 17.

Woman's Auxiliary of Blackwell Hospital meet first Tuesday of each month at the Senior Citizens Center at 3:00 p.m.

Gorman Lodge 716 AF&AM stated meetings 2nd Tuesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. Members urged to attend. Visitors welcome.

Charla Little Crowned Miss Kokomo Monday Night

The Kokomo Community Club and Kokomo Extension Homemakers Clubs and their guests met at the Kokomo Community Center on Monday night, August 1, for the coronation of the new Miss Kokomo and the annual ice cream supper. Activities got underway at 8:30 p.m. as the president of the Community Club, Albert Hendricks, welcomed everyone. He then presented Miss Angela Burgess, who was Miss Kokomo until named Miss Gorman in June, Miss Charla Little, the new Miss Kokomo, and Little Miss Kokomo, Lacy Clark. He expressed the club's thanks and appreciation to Angela for a job well done representing Kokomo and wished her well in her reign as Miss Gorman.

Wynelle Brown, president of the Kokomo Extension Homemakers Club, presented Charla with the Miss Kokomo Banner and a corsage. She was assisted by Lacy. Angela then placed the crown on Charla. The clubs presented gifts to Charla and Lacy.

Charla, 15, is the daughter of Charles and Carolyn Little and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Collins and Mrs. Mamie Little. She has a sister, Caye and a brother, Alan. She is a junior at Gorman High school where she is very active in basketball and track, and has served as class officer and FHA officer for two years. Charla is also active in 4-H and has served on the County 4-H Council. She represented Kokomo in the Ranger Rodeo parade in July and her decorated car won third place. She is a member of the Kokomo Baptist Church and Acteens.

Charla will represent Kokomo in the De Leon Peach and Melon parade and Festival and other activities throughout the area during the next year.

Lacy, 5, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Roberts and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Clark.

Following the ceremonies, Bro. Jim Andrews gave the prayer of thanks for the fellowship and food, and everyone enjoyed homemade ice cream, toppings and assorted cakes - all so delicious.

Special guest were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Little, Caye and Alan, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Collins, Mrs. Mamie Little, Mr. and Mrs. Doug Little, David and Joe, Mrs. Dora Garrett, Mrs. David Roberts, Mrs. Stanley Clark, Lonnie Bennett of the Gorman Progress, Lisa Foster and Kristi O'Dell of Gorman, Jennifer Brown of May, Mandy Rice of Brownwood, Cathy and Jo Beth Thompson of Kress, Kami Leonard of Canadian, and Yancy Buchanan of Clyde.

POLICE DEPARTMENT TO CONDUCT OPERATION CHILD ID

Since the appearance of an editorial in the Abilene Reporter-News concerning missing children, the Gorman Police Department has received requests for a program that will help to identify missing children.

To home, and some parents are concerned that it may come even closer to home.

To comply with requests for assistance in this matter, the Gorman Police Department will conduct Operation Child ID, which will be a voluntary program to fingerprint children and record other relevant information that will help to identify the child if he or she becomes one of the unfortunate children that become lost or missing.

The information will be

entered on a standard fingerprint card and it will be immediately turned over to the parents for safekeeping. No records will be kept by the police department.

If a child is reported missing, the information can be entered into the FBI computer and will be made available to law enforcement agencies nationwide, in an effort to locate the child.

For more information on "Operation Child ID", call the Gorman Police Dept. at 734-2730. There is no charge for this service.

CITY CHIT CHAT

By Charle L. Garrett, Mayor

The first thing that I need to do is to make a correction to the item that I ran in the July 14 edition of the paper concerning the new water rates. I made an error in typing which I did not catch when I took it to the Progress. I stated that the minimum rate would go from \$6.50 to \$7.25 for the first 2000 gallons. The old rate was \$6.75 and was increased to \$7.50, trash, \$3.25, and sewer, \$4.25. Total minimum bill goes from \$14.00 per month to \$15.00 per month. The cost of each 1000 gallons above 2000 will be 1.75. These rates are in effect now and will show on your next reading.

We have received quite a bit of feedback on the proposed dog ordinance and to date it has all been favorable. If you have an opinion, let some of us know what it is. Remember that we will have a public hearing on the matter on August 16 at 9:00 A.M.

—GP—

Double J Restaurant Opens Here August 6



Hershell Cordell and Dennis Frasier will open the Double J Restaurant in the building north of Jay's Grocery, and the building where the South Eastland County tax office is housed.

The restaurant will open at 11:00 a.m. for a cafeteria line lunch and will remain open each day until 10:00 p.m. for short orders, specializing in steaks.

Sunday hours will be from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Bo Hood, who formerly operated a cafe in Gorman has been retained as chef.

The management invited everyone to come by for a visit and get acquainted.

Blood Pressure Clinic Set For August 10

West Texas Home Health Nurses will hold a blood pressure clinic on Wednesday August 10 at the Senior Citizens Center from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m.

Everyone is welcome to take advantage of this free clinic service.

—GP—

CARD OF THANKS

I would like to thank all my friends and neighbors for the prayers, cards, flowers, visits, phone calls, money, and food while I was in the Hospital at Abilene. Sue and I appreciate very much the kindness shown us. I would especially like to thank the Birdsong Peanut Co. and its employees, Sue Ripley, and most of all our children. Dick Troutman

Ann Allison Named Smallwood Scholar at South Plains College

Alice Ann Allison of Gorman has been named to receive South Plains College's most prestigious scholarship award.

Ms. Allison, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Euell Allison, has been named a Smallwood Scholar for 1983-84 and has been awarded a \$2,000 stipend which will be dispensed over four consecutive fall and spring semesters in the amount of \$500 per semester.

SPC named 40 area students to receive the award, including seven area valedictorians, two salutatorians and 34 honor graduates.

"It gives the college great pleasure to name these students Smallwood Scholars," said Dr. Marvin

Baker. "They are among the most academically adept students on the South Plains and we are pleased that they have chosen South Plains College to continue their education."

Ms. Allison, a graduate of Carbon High School, was valedictorian of the 1983 CHS class. She was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students, and plans to major in business at SPC.

The scholarship honors John L. and Vergie Belle Smallwood, longtime business and church leaders in Levelland. Through their bequest to the College, funds are made available annually to recognize outstanding students



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Thelma Bingham Services Held Tuesday

Thelma Mae Bingham, 82, of Gorman died at 6:35 a.m. Monday August 1, 1983 at Gorman Care Center after a long illness. Services were at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Higginbotham Funeral Home.

Odell Carter of Gorman Church of Christ officiated. Burial was at Sand Hill Cemetery.

Born Sept. 15, 1900, in Shelby County, she married Henry E. Bingham Feb. 5, 1922, in Comanche. He died Aug. 16, 1967. She was a homemaker and a member of the Church of

Winfa Wright Services Held Friday

Winfa Modenna Wright, 51, of Gorman died at 8:45 p.m. Wednesday July 27,

Christ. Survivors include four grandsons, Ricky and Larry Rone, both of Gorman, Doyle Rone of Desdemona and Kenneth Wilson of De Leon; a sister, Hattie Butler of De Leon; a brother, Jim Wright of the Beattie community; four grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Graydon Baze, John Sutton, James Mears, George Bingham, Lloyd Glasson and Hillery Seay.

1983 at Baylor Hospital in Dallas. Services were at 10 a.m. Friday at Comanche Funeral Home.

The Rev. Martin Emert officiated. Burial was at Gardens of Memory Cemetery in Comanche.

Born Jan. 21, 1932, in Comanche County, she was employed as a waitress.

Her husband, Jimmy, and a Brother, Earl Bingham, preceded her in death.

Survivors include two sons, Robert of De Leon and Samuel G. of Comanche; two daughters, Cathy Ladell Martin of Comanche and Jane Odell of Coleman; would receive money.

five brothers, Glen, George, Berry and Donnie Bingham, all of Comanche and Bill Bingham of Brownwood; four sisters, Lola Jeffery of Keller, Myrtle Soloman of Lubbock, Ruth Sutherland and Rita Abbey, both of Comanche; and four grandchildren.

—GP—



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Tom Friday Laid To Rest Saturday

Tom Ollie Friday, 83, of Sealy, a retired farmer and former Desdemona resident, died at 12 p.m. Wednesday July 27, 1983, at Sealy Hospital. Services were at 11 a.m. Saturday at De Leon Funeral Home. Lloyd Coker officiated. Burial was at Desdemona Cemetery. Born Nov. 27, 1899, in Desdemona, he was a Methodist. His wife, Mary Alice

CARBON NEWS
By Mrs. Bob Hasting
Phone 639-2517

Weather stays hot and dry. Mr. and Mrs. Ande Paulk of Sierra Blanca spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Morgan Marty and Marc. Mr. and Mrs. Larry Stubblefield, Brian and Brent of Garland spent the weekend with their parents Mr. and Mrs. Truett Norris and Mr.

and Mrs. Mack Stubblefield. Don Nicholas of Eastland attended Church service at the Baptist Church Sunday and was in charge of the music at both services. Ann Allison of Levelland, Adrienne, Stacia and David Allison of Azle spent the weekend with their parents and grand parents Mr. and Mrs. Euell Allison. Dewey Hall and sons Jim and Steve of Huntsville, Alabama, are visiting their mother and grandmother Mrs. Ora Lee Snider this week. Wayland Files of Vernon

Governor Recognizes Hospital Volunteers

Governor Mark White has designated August 2 as Hospital Auxiliary Day and August 8-12 as Junior Volunteer Week in Texas. In making the announcement, the governor said, "Volunteers do not wear a price tag; their price tag is contributions to community contributions to community, thereby enriching life in the community and assisting hospitals". Of the junior volunteers, White noted, "Out future citizens, ranging in ages 14-18, are a special group giving of their time and talents freely to hospitals throughout the state each summer. "The purpose of this program is to promote and encourage their interest in health careers in addition to improving life in their respective communities." Statewide, 323 auxiliaries contributed 3,674,000 hours of service to hospitals; \$5 million in cash/equipment; and 767 scholarships worth \$500,000. "We acknowledge with pride the generous contributions of hospital auxiliaries whose gratification comes not from monetary compensation but rather from the genuine satisfaction of knowing they have helped others in need," White said. THA is the Austin-based trade association for hospitals in Texas with over 800 institutional and 4,500 personal members.

NOTICE OF CALCULATION OF EFFECTIVE TAX RATE AND PUBLICATION OF ESTIMATED UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCES

SCHOOL DISTRICT: GORMAN ISD
I, STEVE THOMAS, TAX ASSESSOR for GORMAN ISD in accordance with the provisions of Sec. 26.04, Property Tax Code, have calculated the tax rate which may not be exceeded by more than three percent by the governing body of the GORMAN ISD without holding a public hearing as required by the code. That rate is as follows: \$.50804 per \$100 of value. The estimated unencumbered fund balance for Maintenance & Operation fund: \$ 20,000. The estimated unencumbered fund balance for Interest & Sinking fund: \$ 2,500.

Tax Assessor
August 2, 1983

CALCULATIONS USED TO DETERMINE EFFECTIVE TAX RATE

I. DATA	
1. 1982 Total tax levy from the 1982 tax roll	\$ 212,361
2. 1982 Tax rate (\$.42 M&O and \$.02 I&S)	\$.44 /\$100
3. 1982 Debt service (I&S) levy	\$ 9,652
4. 1982 Maintenance and operation (M&O) levy	\$ 202,709
5. 1982 M&O taxes on property in territory that has ceased to be a part of the unit in 1983	\$ -0-
6. 1982 M&O taxes on property becoming exempt in 1983	\$ 1,199
7. 1982 M&O taxes on taxable value lost because property is appraised at less than market value in 1983	\$ 5,975
8. 1983 Total taxable value of all property	\$ 45,359,803
9. 1983 Taxable value of new improvements added since Jan. 1, 1982	\$ 3,117,200
10. 1983 Taxable value of property annexed since Jan. 1, 1982	\$ -0-
11. 1983 Tax levy needed to satisfy debt service (I&S)	\$ -0-
*12. Rate to raise 1982 tax levy due to appraisal roll errors (rate that should have been less rate that was levied) (\$ 475.49 /\$100 - \$.44 /\$100)	\$.03549 /\$100
*13. Rate to recoup taxes lost in 1982 due to appraisal roll errors (lost dollars divided by the difference of 1983 taxable values minus 1983 over-65 homesteads taxable value) (\$ 15,840 ÷ (\$ 45,359,803 - \$ 909,245))	\$.00035 /\$100
14. 1983 Taxable value of over-65 homesteads with frozen taxes	\$ 909,245
15. Frozen M&O levy of over-65 homesteads with frozen taxes	\$ 355
16. Frozen I&S levy of over-65 homesteads with frozen taxes	\$ 15
II. CALCULATION	
MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION (M&O) TAX RATE	
1. (A) 1982 Total tax levy (Data 1)	\$ 212,361
(B) Subtract 1982 Debt service levy (Data 3)	- \$ 9,652
(C) Subtract 1982 Taxes on property no longer in unit (Data 5)	- \$ -0-
(D) Subtract 1982 Taxes on exemptions (Data 6)	- \$ 1,199
(E) Subtract 1982 Taxes on productivity valuation (Data 7)	- \$ 5,975
(F) Subtract frozen M&O levy of over-65 homesteads (Data 15)	- \$ 355
(G) Adjusted 1982 M&O levy	\$ 195,180
2. (A) 1983 Total taxable value of all property (Data 8)	\$ 45,359,803
(B) Subtract 1983 Value of new improvements (Data 9)	- \$ 3,117,200
(C) Subtract 1983 Value of annexed property (Data 10)	- \$ -0-
(D) Subtract 1983 Value of over-65 homesteads (Data 14)	- \$ 909,245
(E) Adjusted 1983 Taxable value for M&O	\$ 41,333,358
3. (A) Divide the adjusted 1982 M&O levy (1-G above) by the adjusted 1983 taxable value for M&O (2-E above) (\$ 195,180 ÷ \$ 41,333,358)	\$.004722
(B) Multiply by \$100 valuation	× \$ 100
(C) Calculated maintenance and operation (M&O) rate for 1983	\$.47220 /\$100
INTEREST AND SINKING (I&S) TAX RATE	
4. (A) 1983 I&S levy needed to satisfy debt (Data 11)	\$ NONE
(B) Subtract frozen I&S levy of over-65 homesteads (Data 16)	- \$ NONE
(C) Adjusted 1983 I&S levy	\$ NONE
(D) 1983 Total taxable value of all property (Data 8)	\$ NONE
(E) Subtract 1983 Value of over-65 homesteads (Data 14)	- \$ NONE
(F) Adjusted 1983 Taxable value for I&S	\$ NONE
(G) Divide the adjusted 1983 I&S levy (4-C above) by the adjusted 1983 taxable value for I&S (4-F above) (\$ NONE ÷ \$ NONE)	\$ NONE
(H) Multiply by \$100 valuation	× \$ NONE 100
(I) Calculated interest and sinking rate (I&S) for 1983	\$ NONE /\$100
APPRAISAL ROLL ERROR RATE	
5. (A) Rate to raise 1982 levy due to appraisal errors (Data 12)	\$.03549 /\$100
(B) Add rate to recoup taxes lost due to errors (Data 13)	+ \$.00035 /\$100
(C) Total rate to adjust for appraisal roll errors	\$.03584 /\$100
TOTAL EFFECTIVE TAX RATE FOR 1983	
6. (A) Calculated maintenance and operation (M&O) rate (3-C above)	\$.47220 /\$100
(B) Add calculated interest and sinking (I&S) rate (4-I above)	+ \$ -0- /\$100
(C) Add rate to adjust for appraisal roll errors (5-C above)	+ \$.03584 /\$100
(D) Calculated 1983 Effective Tax Rate	\$.50804 /\$100

* Steps necessary for appraisal roll errors (if more than 1% of total appraisal roll), effective for taxing units on June 17, 1983.
1983 Effective Tax Rate is the tax rate published as required by Sec. 26.04, Property Tax Code.

Rev. Williams Named Pastor At Cisco

The Rev. Frank Williams Jr., has been appointed pastor of First United Methodist Church and Wesley United Methodist Church in Cisco. He replaces the Rev. David Atkins who has been appointed pastor of Woodway United Methodist Church in Waco. Rev. Williams is a former pastor of Gorman First United Methodist Church and moves from Carter United Methodist Church in Fort Worth.

CARD OF THANKS

We would like to express our gratitude for all the prayers, flowers, foods, telephone calls and acts of kindness shown to us during the illness and death of our loved one, Buddy Bryant. Each of these made our sorrow much easier to bear. We especially want to thank Bro. Dossey for the beautiful services in Rotan and Dr. L. Agulia and the nursing staff at Blackwell Hospital for their care. Winnell Bryant Ron McCormick and Family Kevin Mc Cormick and Family

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank Dr. B.B. Alexander Dr. Terry Treadwell and all Hospital Staff of Eastland Memorial Hospital for the care given to me during my recent surgery. Also I want to Thank my friends and relatives for the cards gifts and visits. They were appreciated more than I am able to express. Alice Eakin Hunter Ashcraft and Family Buddy M. Bryant and Family Jody Bryant Horton

WHERE IS THE WELCOME HOME EXES BANNER?

The Homecoming Committee would like to know if the Welcome Homes Exes banner that once was used across the street is still in existence. The banner is of heavy duck and painted with red paint. If any knows of this banner please call Bill Clark, 734-2429 or Estelle Craddock at the Progress Office.

Block Says West Texas Drought Not Serious Enough For National Assistance

Texas Agriculture Commissioner Jim Hightower today accused U.S. Secretary of Agriculture John Block of "fiddling around while West Texas burns up in the worst drought in 30 years." In a letter to Texas Gov. Mark White, Block denied the state's request for emergency feed assistance for drought-stricken West Texas ranchers, explaining that the USDA would "keep a close watch on the situation and if the drought expands and becomes more serious we will again consider the need to implement some of disaster assistance." "If a year and a half drought that everyone agrees is the worst since the great three year drought of the 1950s isn't serious enough for John Block, I hate to think how bad things will have to get before he feels the heat," Hightower said. "There's zero moisture in most of that area out there, with no grass for the cattle and sheep to feed on, and the stock tanks are drying up. Ranchers have been buying feed for months. That sounds pretty serious to me." "And why wait till the drought expands? It already covers an area bigger than the state of Pennsylvania." Many ranchers are being forced to sell off sheep and cattle herds at substantial losses because of the drought, Hightower said, and it will take years for the ranchers to rebuild the herds. "Block needs to get out of his air-conditioned office and come out to the real world, where real people are suffering because of his inaction. These ranchers have spent a lifetime building herds that do well in the West Texas climate, but this drought is wiping them out. When they sell off their livestock because they can't afford to feed them, they're losing more than just a bunch of cows and sheep, and more than just money. They're losing what they've spent years building. If they have to start over, they'll have to start from scratch," Hightower said. "Block has it in his power to do something about this tragedy, but he doesn't think it's serious enough. I suspect he could tour hell itself and not notice that it's a little hot and dry."

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GORDON SPOT

By Marquis Gordon
County Extension Agent
Some changes in the Texas brucellosis program which will allow for more freedom of movement of cattle, along with changes in procedure for establishing a certified free herd, have been approved by Commissioners of the Texas Animal Health Commission.

The changes were approved at a recent Commission meeting in Austin.

Present for the commission session were newly-appointed commissioners Mrs. Mary Nan West of Batesville, Laurence Bostick of Brookshire and Robert Bartlett of Canton.

Three changes relate to movement of cattle and include:

1. In a consignment in which there is a vaccinated animal that is a suspect on the brucellosis test will now proceed in this manner: In such a situation, negative cattle in a consignment in which there is a vaccinated card test positive but rivanol or complement fixation negative suspect, may move.

2. In a non-infected herd of cattle which has been adult

vaccinated, those animals that are card test negative at the time of movement may move without restriction.

3. A change was made relating to testing requirements from a C state or area or within the Texas C area. This change would allow movement of non-vaccinated cattle if they are tested negative within 30

days prior to movement and either be from a herd in which all test eligible cattle have been together for at least 120 days and have been subjected to one negative test as a herd within the previous 365 days, or be from a non-quarantined herd and have been subjected to a negative test not less than 60 or more than 365 days before the test for movement.

Changes in procedures for establishing a certified free herd concern both dairy and beef cattle operators.

For dairy herds, the Commissioners made the change to require a minimum of four consecutive, negative milk ring tests conducted at not less than 90-day intervals. Previously, three negative tests were required.

Regulations also were changed to make it easier to establish a certified free herd of cattle originating from a certified herd as follows: All or part of a

certified free herd purchased and moved directly to premises without other cattle may qualify without a test.

A proposed change yet to be approved by Commissioners relates to movement of cattle to slaughter from a quarantined herd without testing of that herd, when the cattle are to be sold exclusively for slaughter. This regulation, however, must conform to federal rules and at present federal rules require that all cattle from a quarantined herd be tested.

The tiny sorghum midge can be devastating to grain sorghums.

The midge, a tiny black and orange fly, survives in Johnsongrass until grain sorghum begins to bloom; then the midge population explodes.

Adult midge lay eggs in grain sorghum during the bloom stage. Hatching larvae destroy the developing grain, so populations can

Insurance Guarantees Increased For High-Yield Wheat Growers

Additional insurance protection at no additional cost is available to EASTLAND County wheat growers who qualify to participate in an Individual Yield Coverage (IYC) program, according to Ardell M. Kalmbach, district director of the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation. The IYC program is designed to enable farmers with a history of high yields to obtain insurance guarantees based on their own production experience. Kalmbach explains that for each bushel and IYC participant is able to document that yields have been above the local average, up to \$3 an acre of extra insurance protection can be obtained at no increase in the premium.

An average of one midge per sorghum head can cause economic losses.

This pest can only damage because of larger populations of midge later in the season.

Because of the potential damage from midge, producers should check their sorghum fields frequently while the crop is blooming.

For information on chemicals recommended for controlling sorghum midge, contact the county Extension office at 629-1093.

is writing the insurance policy. The extra coverage will be added automatically, according to Kalmbach. Federal Crop Insurance policies, which are backed by the U.S. Government, are written by independent insurance agents and private insurance companies. The Federal Government pays up to 30 percent of the premium cost as well as administrative and sales costs, and the balance is paid by the policyholder. Protection is provided against most unavoidable causes of crop damage.

EASTLAND County wheat growers wishing information about the eligibility requirements for the IYC program should contact the ASCS office in EASTLAND, TEXAS. ASCS can also provide a list of local agents and companies authorized by the FCIC to offer the insurance.



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NOTICE OF CALCULATION OF EFFECTIVE TAX RATE AND PUBLICATION OF ESTIMATED UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCES

I, Steve Thomas Tax Assessor for Gorman City

in accordance with the provisions of Sec. 26.04, Property Tax Code, have calculated the tax rate which may not be exceeded by more than three percent by the governing body of the City of Gorman without holding a public hearing as required by the code. That rate is as follows: \$.34970 per \$100 of value.

The estimated unencumbered fund balance for Maintenance & Operation fund: \$ -0-. The estimated unencumbered fund balance for Interest & Sinking fund: \$ -0-.

Steve Thomas-Tax Assessor

August 2, 1983

CALCULATIONS USED TO DETERMINE EFFECTIVE TAX RATE

I. DATA

1. 1982 Total tax levy from the 1982 tax roll	\$ 55,261
2. 1982 Tax rate (\$ <u>.263</u> M&O and \$ <u>0</u> I&S)	\$ <u>.263</u> /\$100
3. 1982 Debt service (I&S) levy	\$ <u>-0-</u>
4. 1982 Maintenance and operation (M&O) levy	\$ <u>55,261</u>
5. 1982 M&O taxes on property in territory that has ceased to be a part of the unit in 1983	\$ <u>-0-</u>
6. 1982 M&O taxes on property becoming exempt in 1983	\$ <u>14</u>
7. 1982 M&O taxes on taxable value lost because property is appraised at less than market value in 1983	\$ <u>131</u>
8. 1983 Total taxable value of all property	\$ <u>18,991,033</u>
9. 1983 Taxable value of new improvements added since Jan. 1, 1982	\$ <u>1,766,650</u>
10. 1983 Taxable value of property annexed since Jan. 1, 1982	\$ <u>-0-</u>
11. 1983 Tax levy needed to satisfy debt service (I&S)	\$ <u>-0-</u>
*12. Rate to raise 1982 tax levy due to appraisal roll errors (rate that should have been less rate that was levied) (\$ <u>.27751</u> /\$100 - \$ <u>.26300</u> /\$100) ...	\$ <u>.01451</u> /\$100
*13. Rate to recoup taxes lost in 1982 due to appraisal roll errors (lost dollars divided by 1983 taxable values) (\$ <u>2890</u> ÷ \$ <u>18,991,033</u>)	\$ <u>.01521</u> /\$100

II. CALCULATION

MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION (M&O) TAX RATE

1. (A) 1982 Total tax levy (Data 1)	\$ <u>55,261</u>
(B) Subtract 1982 Debt service levy (Data 3)	\$ <u>-0-</u>
(C) Subtract 1982 Taxes on property no longer in unit (Data 5)	\$ <u>-0-</u>
(D) Subtract 1982 Taxes for exemptions (Data 6)	\$ <u>14</u>
(E) Subtract 1982 Taxes for productivity valuation (Data 7)	\$ <u>131</u>
(F) Adjusted 1982 M&O levy	\$ <u>55,116</u>
2. (A) 1983 Total taxable value of all property (Data 8)	\$ <u>18,991,033</u>
(B) Subtract 1983 Value of new improvements (Data 9)	\$ <u>1,766,650</u>
(C) Subtract 1983 Value of annexed property (Data 10)	\$ <u>-0-</u>
(D) Adjusted 1983 Taxable value for M&O	\$ <u>17,224,383</u>
3. (A) Divide the adjusted 1982 M&O levy (1-F above) by the adjusted 1983 taxable value for M&O (2-D above) (\$ <u>55,116</u> ÷ \$ <u>17,224,383</u>)	\$ <u>0.0031998</u>
(B) Multiply by \$100 valuation	× \$ <u>.31998</u> /\$100
(C) Calculated maintenance and operation (M&O) rate for 1983	\$ <u>.31998</u> /\$100

INTEREST AND SINKING (I&S) TAX RATE

4. (A) 1983 I&S levy needed to satisfy debt (Data 11)	\$ <u>-0-</u>
(B) 1983 Total taxable value of all property (Data 8)	\$ <u>-0-</u>
(C) Divide the 1983 I&S levy (4-A above) by the 1983 total taxable value (4-B above) (\$ <u>-0-</u> ÷ \$ <u>-0-</u>)	\$ <u>-0-</u>
(D) Multiply by \$100 valuation	× \$ <u>-0-</u> /\$100
(E) Calculated interest and sinking rate (I&S) for 1983	\$ <u>-0-</u> /\$100

APPRAISAL ROLL ERROR RATE

5. (A) Rate to raise 1982 levy due to appraisal errors (Data 12)	\$ <u>.01451</u> /\$100
(B) Add rate to recoup taxes lost due to errors (Data 13)	+ \$ <u>.01521</u> /\$100
(C) Total rate to adjust for appraisal roll errors	\$ <u>.02972</u> /\$100

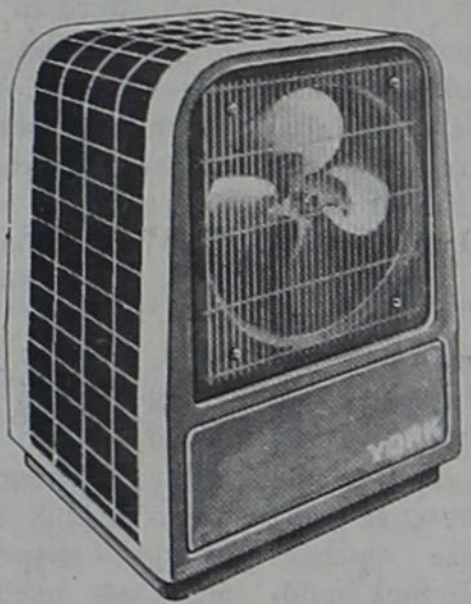
TOTAL EFFECTIVE TAX RATE FOR 1983

6. (A) Calculated maintenance and operation (M&O) rate (3-C above)	\$ <u>.31998</u> /\$100
(B) Add calculated interest and sinking (I&S) rate (4-E above)	+ \$ <u>-0-</u> /\$100
(C) Add rate to adjust for appraisal roll errors (5-C above)	+ \$ <u>.02972</u> /\$100
(D) Calculated 1983 Effective Tax Rate	\$ <u>.34970</u> /\$100

* Steps necessary for appraisal roll errors (if more than 1% of total appraisal roll), effective for taxing units on June 17, 1983.

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Valley Mills Tractor Pull Saturday

The Valley Mills Young Farmers will sponsor their seventh annual tractor pull on Saturday, August 6, 1983. The tractor pull will be held at the Valley Mills Airport, located five miles east of Valley Mills on Highway 6, then 1/2 mile south on the Patton Road.

The tractor pull will be for field stock tractors, with an entry fee of \$15.00 per class. The jackpot will be split.

Classes at the tractor pull will be 5000, 7000, 9000, 12000, 15000, and 18000. Weigh in will be at the Valley Mills City Hall from 2:00 - 5:00 P.M. on August 6.

For more information call 817-932-5210 or 817-945-3385.

A concession stand for food and soft drinks will be open during the tractor pull.

Admission will be \$3.00 for adults, and children under 12 will be \$1.00.

Erra Byrd Laid To Rest Wednesday

Erra A. Byrd, 82, of Carbon died at 2:15 p.m. Monday August 1, 1983 at Eastland Memorial Hospital. Services were at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at Edwards Funeral Home.

Ernie Christie of Daugherty Street Church of Christ officiated. Burial was at Flatwood Cemetery.

Born April 9, 1901, in San Augustine, she attended Carbon schools and married Byrd in Carbon Dec. 24, 1918. A homemaker, she was a past member of the Rebekah Lodge and a member of Carbon Church of Christ.

She was preceded in death by her husband May 26, 1975, and by a daughter, Erra Lorraine, in 1980.

Survivors include two sons, Roy H. of Comanche and Jack D. of Eastland;

DESDEMONA NEWS

By Mrs. Vonnie Guthery Phone 758-2665

Mrs. Annie Collum and Terry Collum visited last week in Tatum, New Mexico with her mother, Mrs. Lula Simpson who is in the rest home.

Mr. and Mrs. Stan Harvey and family of Abilene visited recently with Mr. and Mrs. Rim Pack.

Cindy and Daya Abby of De Leon, Melinda Hall and Pat Buckley visited in Marshall over the week-end with Aunt "Red" Seaton and husband.

Mr. Tom Friday of Sealy was buried Saturday in Desdemona. He was a former resident of Desdemona but made his home with his daughter Alla Rae Halbrook. Our sincere sympathy goes out to this family.

Tommy and Jr. Jacobs of Pasadena, June Jacobs of Dallas, Jo Redwine of Fort Worth and Bonnie Hutton of Lubbock visited the week-end with their Daddy, Mr. Willie Jacobs. They all attended the funeral of Mr. Tom Friday.

Remember Desdemona Annual Homecoming and School Reunion is Saturday, August 13. Morning program will begin at 10:00 a.m., Lunch at 12:00, School reunion at 2:00 P.M. and evening program at 8:00. Make plans to attend.

Dorothy Roberts and Jeff visited Saturday at the Brownwood lake with Shelli and Emily Horan.

The ladies Monthly social will be Monday, August 8th in the home of Mrs. Blanche Phillips across from the school house.

three daughters, Emma Lou Benton of Eastland, Betty Joe Jackson of Carbon and Clista Sue Garrett of Iowa Park; a brother, Jasper Phelps of Alamogordo, N.M.; a sister, Verna Newcomb of Carbon; 16 grandchildren; 26 great-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandchildren.

Co-hostess will be her sister, Mrs. Bethel Clark. Visitors are welcome.

Jane Guthery and Jr. of Irving visited Friday with Mrs. Nannie Guthery and Vonnie Guthery.

The Graduation Class of 1941 from Desdemona needs addresses of classmates and teachers. Please contact Jane Guthery - 1419 Segunds, Irving, Tex. 75060. Also that class will meet on Friday, August 12th in the home of Almarie and Shorty Fox.

—GP—

GORMAN SCHOOL HOMECOMING SEPTEMBER 17

Gorman School Homecoming will be held Saturday September 17. The class of 1933 will be recognized and all class members are urged to attend their 50th anniversary.

The expression "piping hot" alludes, experts say, to the hissing sounds very hot food makes as it boils.

AUGUST IS TEXAS CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT MONTH

August has been proclaimed Texas Child Support Enforcement Month in a resolution passed by the Legislature during the last legislative session. August will be devoted to emphasizing the payment of child support. In addition, non-custodial parents will be urged to spend time with their children.

Representative Rene O. Oliveira (Brownsville), sponsor of the resolution, noted that, "Child support enforcement has become a problem of such overwhelming magnitude that the issue had to be addressed and legislative solutions enacted to minimize the problem."

"Texas had to make a statement that our children are our number one priority and that parents have to take responsibility for supporting their children. That responsibility should not be placed on the shoulders of the taxpayers. We need to remember that child support payments are not an option, but are mandatory and ordered by a court of

law. By designating August as Texas Child Support Enforcement Month, we are reminding negligent parents of their responsibilities," Oliveira said.

According to statistics from the Texas Department of Human Resources, 85% of the children eligible for AFDC benefits are not receiving financial assistance from the non-custodial parent. "Too many people do not realize the consequence of non-payment of child support," Oliveira noted.

"So often the mother, who is usually awarded custody, raises the children without any input and assistance, financial or otherwise from the father. The children lose out on two fronts; they do not receive necessary financial support and they do not have a close personal relationship with their father. Kids need love and support. Please, pay your child support and spend the time with your children," Oliveira urged.

In addition to the resolution, legislation sponsored by Oliveira and Senator

4-H'ers To Compete In District 4-H Fashion Show

Marsha Crenwelge, LaTonya Caraway, Wendy Green, Stephanie Long, Jennifer Linney, and Sue Osborne were named winners of the Eastland County 4-H Fashion Show July 14 at the Siebert Elementary School in Eastland. Christy Fuqua, County Extension Agent, presented trophies to the high point winners of each class and blue and red ribbons to each girl based on judges' scores.

The awards were donated by the Eastland County 4-H Adult Leaders Association. Jami Long, president of 4-H Council, and Leanne Brown, 4-H Junior Leader, commented for the fashion show using the theme "Sidewalk Silhouettes."

Ray Farabee (Wichita Falls) and passed this session deals with the multitude of child support enforcement problems. One provision of this legislation, a constitutional amendment strengthening procedures, will have to be approved by voters in the November elections.

LaTonya, Wendy, Stephanie, Jennifer and Sue will represent Eastland County at the District 8 Fashion Show to be held in the Clyde Wells Arts Building at Tarleton State University in Stephenville on July 26.

The four winners of the senior division at the district show will progress to the Texas 4-H Fashion Show Sept. 14-16 San Antonio.

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KOKOMO NEWS
 By Zelda Jordan Phone 639-2289

Vacation Bible School is in progress this week at the Kokomo Baptist Church and will continue through Friday, August 5 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. each day. Commencement will be held on Friday night, August 5 at 8:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to come and let the children share with you what they have learned about Jesus this week. Bro. Jim Andrews, pastor, is director of the school. Wynelle Brown is the pianist and secretary. Classroom workers are: Nursery - Elaine Eaves and Jim Don Andrews; Beginners - Dianne Snider and Charla Little; Primary - Paula Morrow and Shannon Bond; Juniors - Carolyn Little, Angela Burgess and Bro. Jim Andrews.

and Jim Don Andrews and Shannon Bond told about the Junior High Camp at BCBA and what it meant to them. Visitors at the church service were Sheri and Lisa Snider of Stephenville, Shawna Teas of Terrell, Yancy Buchanan of Clyde, Cathy and Jo Beth Thompson of Kress, Kami Leonard of Canadian. We had a good time praising the Lord in song at the evening service. W.C. and Blanche Browning of Gorman and Claude and Juanita Fuller came to sing with us. The singing Hazel Family of Lubbock will be doing the morning service at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday, August 7. Everyone come and be blessed by their gospel message in song and testimony. There will be a covered dish dinner served in the fellowship hall immediately following the morning service. The Men's Rally of the Cisco Baptist Association will be held at the Kokomo Baptist Church on August 11. Recent visitors with Mr.

and Mrs. Cullen Rodgers were Deanna Chupp, Pam and Leslie of Houston, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Spencer of De Leon, Lynn Watson of Fort Worth, and Hunnal Watson of Gorman. Joe Kennedy of Stephenville and Bro. Jim Andrews of Eastland were visiting on Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. D.F. Eaves have received word that their brother-in-law, Preston Brown of Lake Jackson, is doing well after undergoing open heart by-pass surgery in a Houston hospital on Friday. Mr. Brown's wife is the former Louise Eaves. Cathy and Jo Beth Thompson of Kress and Kami Joe Leonard of Canadian are spending this week with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Clearman and attending Vacation Bible School. Mrs. Jim Cole Brown of May brought Jennifer for a visit this week with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brown. Jennifer is also attending Bible School. Mrs. Roy Buchanan and Kelly of Clyde visited on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hendricks and Yancy Buchanan. Yancy extended his visit with his grandparents so he might go to Bible School this week. Glenn Burgess had the

misfortune to break a leg in a tractor accident last week and is in the De Leon hospital. Reports are that he is doing o.k. We wish him a very speedy recovery. Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Nelson spent Thursday night with Mrs. Wordene Hawthorne in Dallas. Shawna Teas of Terrell has been visiting this summer with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George McKelvey at Lake Leon, and they took her home on Sunday and spent Sunday night with Shawna's mother and stepfather, Linda and Doyle Crow at Terrell.

BLACKWELL HOSPITAL REPORT
 Patients listed in Blackwell Hospital on Wednesday morning were:
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 Bill Barrett Gorman
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 Lennie Blackshear Rising Star
 Muril Prewitt Gorman
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