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Press Points

Joe Bennett, Publisher

—GP—

A fund has been started at the Citizens State Bank in Gorman to help with expenses due to the illness of Edna Joyce Brinegar. The fund has just been set up and those wishing to contribute to the fund may do so at the bank or by sending their contribution to the bank here in Gorman.

—GP—

Folks will need to mark their calendars to remind them to bring the children to see Santa Claus in Gorman on December 19th at 2 p. m. Save-On Foods will again be furnishing the candy to give to the children. The Gorman Chamber of Commerce wishes to thank Randall Strickland and Save-On for donating the candy for Santa's visit. The event will be held at the Senior Citizens Center.

—GP—

received the following letter the other day and wanted to include it in the column.

Dear community of Gorman and surrounding communities -

I am administrator of the Canterbury Villa Nursing Home of Gorman, and I find this job very rewarding as I feel that I can be of some use to these elderly people, who are so very special.

They have lived their lives for others and have helped others all those years. Now it's our time. I have learned and I am convinced that words of wisdom come only from age, if only people would take the time to listen and pay respect where respect is due.

Everyone here is somebody's loved one, who deserve so much and get so little in return. Their demands are so small.

Those of you who are not familiar with their needs have no idea of what a card, a friendly smile, or just a few kind words can do to brighten their life.

Please take time to visit, call or express your concern in some small way. It would mean so much to all of them and give them something to live for.

Deane Christian

—GP—

The peanut harvest has been pretty well shut down due to the rain we have had. The weatherman can't really make up his mind as to just what the weather will do, and the farmers are hoping he will bring forth some good, dry harvesting weather so they can finish harvesting. There are a lot of peanuts left to be harvested and most are wanting to get it done before bad weather really begins.

—GP—

We lost another great friend of the printing business on the weekend. Johnny Watson died of a heart attack and was buried Monday. I had a part in helping Kernel Gene train Johnny in the printing trade "a few" years ago and Johnny has been a close friend ever since. We'll miss greeting him as he went about his daily duties.

—J—

And remember to smile - because God Loves You!

—GP—

SCHOOL MENU

BREAKFAST

Monday - Oatmeal, juice and milk.
Tuesday - Breakfast burritos, juice and milk.

Wednesday - Toast, jelly, juice and milk.

LUNCH

Monday - Beef and vegetable soup, cheese sticks, fried okra, dessert and milk.

Tuesday - Chilupus, grated cheese lettuce, spanish rice, fruit and milk.

Wednesday - Turkey salad sandwiches, french fries, fruit, ice cream and milk.

—GP—

ABOUT 2 INCHES OF RAIN REPORTED IN THE AREA

A thunderstorm on Sunday morning dumped about 1 1/2 inches of rain to the area. Heavy thunder and strong winds were accompanied by some small hail. However, there was no damage reported from the hail.

The on Monday morning early the area again received a light shower.

COUNTRY MUSIC SHOW SET FOR THURSDAY NOVEMBER 19

The Gorman 4-H and FFA Boosters Club are sponsoring a Country Music Show on Thursday, November 19 at 8 p. m. in the high school auditorium. This country music show is provided by Carroll Parham's Country Express out of the Cross Timbers Opry in Stephenville.

Tickets are \$2 for adults in advance, \$2.50 at the door. Children (6-12) \$1 in advance and \$1.50 at the door. Children under 6 are admitted free. Tickets are available at Bob's Grocery and Quickway Grocery or call 734-2983 or 734-2904. A concession stand will be provided.

50 gallons of gasoline is being given away by the 4-H and FFA Booster Club. To be eligible for the gas you need to make a donation of \$1 to the club. The drawing for the gasoline will be held during inter-

Community Thanksgiving Service Set Nov. 22

The pastor and members of First Baptist Church of Gorman would like to invite everyone to the Annual Community Thanksgiving Service this Sunday, November 22nd. The service will begin at 6:30 p. m.

Refreshments will be served immediately following the service.

Chamber of Commerce Activities Reported

The Board of Directors of the Gorman Chamber of Commerce met for their regular meeting on Thursday, Nov. 12 at 9 a. m. in the city office. Members present were Shirley Eaves, George Simmons, Gene Foster, Brent Lasater, Joe Bennett and Fred Rogers.

At this meeting we set the holidays for 1988. They are; New Years Day - Friday, Jan. 1, 1988; Memorial Day - Monday, May 30, 1988; Independence Day - Monday, July 4; Labor Day - Monday, Sept. 5; Thanksgiving Day - Thursday, Nov. 24; and Christmas - Monday, Dec. 26.

It was announced that we have

mission of the show, Nov. 19th.

The 50 gallons of gasoline has been donated by Johnny Smith of KM Station and Garage and by Arlton Smith of A. E. Smith Peanut Dryers and Warehouse. The gas will be available at Johnny Smith's KM Station.

As a surprise bonus, Mr. T. J. Mayfield has donated 6 one gallon jugs of Shell Rotella T (15W-40) oil. The drawing for the oil will be during the intermission, separate from the gas drawing. The oil will be divided into 3 extra drawings of 2 gallons each. We would like to take this time to thank these three donors for their help.

All proceeds go to all our youth who make the county stock show sale (Auction). So come on out and enjoy a wonderful country music show and help support our youth.

Please make plans to worship with us at this special time.

Churches participating in the annual service are First Baptist, First Methodist, New Hope Baptist, and the Congregational Methodist churches. These churches make up the Ministerial Alliance which sponsors the yearly event.

three more new members. They are Smith's KM Station, White's Westside Mobil, and the Leota Powers Family. We welcome these new members to our organization. Anyone who would like to join, individual memberships are \$12 per year. Contact any Chamber Director or mail check to the Chamber at P. O. Box 266, Gorman 76454.

By the way, we just received word from Santa Claus that he will be coming to Gorman on Saturday, Dec. 19 at 2 p. m. Make plans for your children to come. Save-On Foods will furnish the candy for the children to be given at Santa's visit. More on this later.

JOHNNIE A. WATSON SERVICES HELD MONDAY AT 2

Johnnie Arland Watson, 47, died Sunday morning at the De Leon Hospital.

Services were held at 2 p. m. Monday at the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Richard Watson officiating. Burial was in the Oaklawn Cemetery in Gorman.

He was a lifelong resident of Gorman. He was an independent oil operator, a U. S. Air Force veteran and a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Kay Larae Watson of Gorman; three sons, Jeffery Arland Watson of San Marcos, Steven Craig Watson of Carroll Hogan, Bob Green and Roy Lipson.

The family suggests memorials to the First United Methodist Church of Gorman.

DESDEMONA ANNUAL THANKSGIVING DINNER will be held November 21st starting at 5:00 p.m. Price: \$5.00 Adults and \$2.50 Children under 12. Dinner to be held at Desdemona Community Center. Turkey and all the trimmings. Proceeds go to the Repair of Building.

COMMODITIES

Commodities will be distributed on Wednesday, November 25, 1987 at Gorman from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. by Central Texas Opportunities, Inc. If eligible and commodities are available, all persons have the right to apply for and receive emergency food assistance without regard to race, religion, sex, political belief, age, national origin, or handicap. Items available are: Butter, Cheese, Flour, Honey, and Rice.

PANTHERS END SEASON WITH WIN OVER LOMETA HORNETS 36-0

GAME AT A GLANCE

Gorman	Lometa
12 First Downs	12
228 Yards Rushing	123
20 Yards Passing	67
1 of 6 Passes Completed	6 of 20
2 Interceptions	0
2 Fumbles Lost	2
2 for 37 Punts, Avg.	4 for 34
4 for 30 Penalties	6 for 37

The Gorman Panthers ended their season on Friday night when they defeated the Lometa Hornets in a district battle 36 to 0 to make their record read 6-4 for the season and 3-4 in district.

The Panthers wasted little time getting on the scoreboard as Don Rodgers returned the opening kickoff 90 yards for a touchdown. Brandon Gilmore ran for the two pointer and Gorman led 8-0.

EMMA MORRIS RETIRES AS COUNTY AUDITOR



Mrs. Emma Morris is enjoying time off as of late following her retirement on August 18th, after serving the people of Eastland County faithfully since her appointment by Judge Earl Conner to fill the unexpired term of C. H. O'Brien on April 1, 1975. She has served as County Auditor full time since January of 1974.

Emma has done an outstanding job for the county over the years and was counted on for her expertise she possessed concerning her office.

She has been replaced temporarily by Ray Pruitt of Eastland, who was

CARD OF THANKS

Our thanks and appreciation to the good people of Gorman for all the nice things you did for Don Moorman during her illness and for the love and concern shown her family at the time of her death.

A special thanks to Rev. Rawlyn Richter, Methodist Quartet, Mrs. Juanita Fuller and the pallbearers. Also for the lovely flowers, memorials and the food brought to the home and to the ladies of the First Methodist Church for the serving of the family dinner Sunday.

Your kindness is deeply appreciated.

Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Moorman
Mr. and Mrs. Craig Moorman
Dr. and Mrs. David Pampe
and Craig Moorman

Richmand, and Mark Edwin Watson of Gorman; his mother, Edna Watson of Gorman; three sisters, Mary Beth Tecson of Abilene, Gay Riddle of Stephenville, and Edna Joyce Brinegar of Gorman; and two grandchildren.

Then with just 3:22 left in the first period Eddie Woodall ran in from 5 yards out to finish a 68 yard drive in just 8 plays. Gilmore added the two pointer on a run and the score rose to 16-0.

With 3:25 left in the first half, the Big Red added another score when Joe Rodgers rambled in from 9 yards out. A pass from Gressett to Robby Hand added the two pointer and the

The pass try for two points failed and the score was 22-0 at halftime.

Following the intermission the Panthers scored again with 7:52 left in the third with Scott Gressett scoring from 5 yards out. Joe Rodgers ran for the two pointer and the score stood at 30-0.

The final Panther score came with 5:08 left in the third when Gressett rambled for 70 yards on a punt return. The try for two points failed and the final score read 36 to 0.

Gressett led the Panthers with 101 yards on 9 keepers. Gilmore had 37 yards on 5 tries. Jay McCormick got 23 on 5, Eddie Woodall had 30 on 9 trips, Joe Rodgers got 22 on 4 tries and Don Rodgers carried once for 15.

The Panthers have done their best this season and have been hurt a great deal by costly injuries. We look for them to have a good team returning for next season.

Great job, Panthers!

THIRD SATURDAY TRADIN DAYS SLATED FOR DOWNTOWN GORMAN

On November 11th the Gorman Business Alliance met for our regular meeting. We voted to not sell hamburgers on the 3rd Saturday of November (the 21st) as we have several projects planned for December and decided to start on those now. NOTICE: WE WILL STILL HAVE OUR REGULAR 3RD SATURDAY DOWNTOWN TRADE DAY so come on down and set up. Remember space is free.

We are going to be Santa's Helpers again this year, but will need everyone's help again. If you have something you would like to donate, you may bring it by Lasater's Movies Galore, or contact a Business Alliance member. There were several families who benefitted from last year's event and really appreciated what everyone did. If you know of

someone who needs help this year please let the Business Alliance know. We will have more on this as time goes by.

We are also going to have our 2nd Annual Christmas Lighting Contest. So everyone get your thinking caps on and come up with something real pretty, and enter our lighting contest. We will print the rules and deadlines in next week's paper. (If possible) We will also have a Community Christmas Tree again this year.

Plans are being made to have a NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY. We are going to make it a covered dish supper, starting at 8 p. m. December 31 and ending after 12 midnight January 1, 1988. So start making plans now to ring out the old and bring in the new with the GBA.

appointed by Judge Jim Wright.

Emma served 2 years as cashier for the J. C. Penney Co.; 2 years as registrar at Cisco Junior College; 2 years as bookkeeper at Rutherford Chevrolet in Cisco; and was employed 8 years in the County School Superintendent's office in payroll on the Department of Labor Program. She is married to Derward Morris a disabled dispatcher for Chevrolet in Abilene, and they have three children: Michael, who teaches at South Campus of Tarrant County Junior College; Meldoye, who is in business in Natchitoches, La.; and Monte, a restaurant (Houston) manager in Dallas. They have four granddaughters.

They are members of the First United Methodist Church where Emma has taught Sunday School for 20 years, teaching first grade thru

college age. She is a past member of the Texas Association of County Auditors; a member of the D.A.R.; and finished Cisco High School in 1940. She holds an Arts degree from CJC in 1942.

Emma stated that her good friend, Marcell Justice and herself started together in the auditor's office and have enjoyed their friendship over the years.

Emma is enjoying her gardening and sewing, and plans an extensive refurbishing of their home in the spring. She was recently honored by the Garden Club with the "Yard of the Week."

The Progress wishes to add our thanks and appreciation to those of the county for her outstanding service through the years and wish her the very best in her retirement years.

ITEM OF INTEREST

The Gorman 4-H & FFA Booster Club will be having a **Pre-Thanksgiving Bake Sale** on Wednesday, November 25, 1987 at 8:00 a.m. in front of the Post Office. Let us do some of your holiday baking.

The Senior Class is sponsoring a **Turkey Shoot**, Sunday at 1:30 at the Gorman Baseball Park. Make Plans To Attend.

FUND STARTED FOR EDNA JOYCE BRINEGAR. A fund has been set up at Citizens State Bank in Gorman to help with expenses due to illness and hospitalization of Edna Joyce.

GORMAN HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD will meet the Second Tuesday of each month at 2:00 p.m. in the Assembly Room of High Rise Apartments.

ALCOHOL AND DRUG PREVENTION COUNCIL - 595 Vanderbilt, Stephenville, Texas 76401. Phone 817-965-5515.

GORMAN BUSINESS ALLIANCE will meet the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month at the Senior Citizens Center. Everyone Invited.

New Address for **AA and AL-ANON** is 506 Sipe Springs Highway - old Agriculture Building. Meetings held at 8 P.M. on Monday and Thursday nights. For AA information Call 893-5291. FOR AL-ANON information Call 893-5753 or 734-3177.

CRIMESTOPPERS will meet the First Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Senior Center Center.

GORMAN CHAPTER 443 O.E.S. meets First Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

GORMAN LODGE NO. 716 AF&AM stated meetings Second Tuesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. Members are urged to attend. Visitors welcome.

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CARBON NEWS
DOROTHY JACKSON
Phone 639-2540

What a beautiful Sunday morning. Typical West Texas weather. I woke up to a thunderstorm, and by noon the sun was shining and by night the clouds were back, looking like more rain. I know some of the farmers were not ready for a rain, but we did need a shower and the men did need a day of rest from the fields. Aren't we glad we don't control the weather. We had an inch of rain in my gauge. Some reported more, some less.

Not only was there frost on the "punkin", there was ice in the dogs water pail. My thermometer said 23 degrees last Wednesday morning, and 27 Thursday morning. This should finish up the lawn mowing. Also maybe do away with those pesky mosquitos. With this early freeze, does this indicate a long, hard winter? I hope not.

The peanuts still in the fields to be harvested are getting less and less each passing day. Maybe the freeze didn't damage the ones still in the fields too much. The grades will tell the story.

With the oil situation and all the other financial woes of the world, in spite of all, I believe we, the people at Carbon, have had a pretty good year.

Thanksgiving seems to be the right time to stop and give thanks for all we have and what we have been allowed to accomplish this past year. Don't forget to come join us at the Baptist Church for our Thanksgiving Banquet on November 18th at 6:30 p.m.

If you missed the flag football game between the Carbon faculty, board members and exes, you missed a night of entertainment. The exes won 49-19. I bet most needed all the help they could find to get out of bed the next morning. I feel sure there was a lot of linament used the next few days, too. I didn't realize some of those men could still move that fast! It was good to see people enjoying themselves and having a night of good, clean fun. This was for a good cause and a good amount of

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A special thanks to nurse Billy Butler, Evelyn Yardley, doctors, nurses and friends at De Leon and Canterbury Villa nursing homes, and for all the delicious food, and to our uncle Tillman and Johnnie Hammon for all those extra things.

May God bless each of you in a special kind of way is our prayer.

Jo Ann Hellton
Roy Dean Warren
Ruthie Porter

money was raised.
Sorry I omitted Mrs. Lora Faye Warren's name from the people visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Guy last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff White visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Rodgers, over the weekend.

Junior High and the high school girls both lost to Blanket Saturday night. High school played at Gordon Tuesday night, Nov. 12th. They will host Strawn Nov. 20th at 6:30 p. m. and then play at Strawn Nov. 23rd at 6:30 p. m., and go to May Nov. 24th at 6:30. Jr. Hi will plat at Gorman on Nov. 23rd.

Saturday, November 21st the UIL will meet at Denton. Brian Tucker, son of Fred and Jackie Tucker, and Tracy Emerson, daughter of Mike and Mary Emerson, participated in number sense and science competitions at Breckenridge on Nov. 7th, sponsored by the Junior Engineering Technological Society (JETS). Both of these students are in the 7th grade and competed against other 7th and 8th graders.

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SCHOOL HILL NEWS
By Mrs. Oma Lee Ridell
Phone 758-2537

I have been unable to write the news due to dislocating my shoulder and pulling some ligaments, Sure did have a bad fall. Was glad that Leslie was there with me to take me to the emergency room.

Quite a few of us got together and worked at the School Hill Cemetery the other day. With a new fence and trees planted along with the mowing and tree trimming, it looks so pretty. Annette liked to have never got started but when she did she came roaring out like a big diesel truck.

Tommy and Jane Musick and children, Rick and Debbie Wright and girls all soent a long weekend in Afton, Okla. They attended a business convention, and came home on

Subday afternoon.
Tena and Karen Dennington spent most of the weekend with me while Jimmy tried his luck at deer hunting.

Patsy and J. C. Moom were in New Mexico deer hunting over the weekend. They returned home on Monday.

Was talking to some people that had attended their class reunion. One man said, "I was so mad after my reunion because my classmates had all gotten so fat, bald and ugly that they didn't even recognize me." Another man said, "He's cheap, vulgar, selfish and conceited." The other said, "Oh, you just don't know Him." The first man said, "Of course I know him, he's my best friend."

One man asked the millionaire how get got his money. The other man said, "Well, I went into partnership with a man with money and I had the experience. Now I have the money and he has the experience."

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**Frances Bishop
Elected Kokomo Club
Woman of the Year**



The Kokomo Extension Homemakers Club elected Frances Bishop as their "Club Woman of the Year" for 1987. We feel very fortunate to have had such a knowledgeable and concerned woman as Frances join our club in November, 1985. Frances is married to Dr. Jack Bishop, who retired from the Baylor College of Dentistry at Dallas in July of 1985. They moved to Eastland and reside at 721 S. Dixie. They have a daughter, Julie Ann Bishop. Frances is a member of First United Methodist Church and serves as vice-president of United Methodist Women. Frances has been a busy club member serving as recreation leader, and we are expecting great things under her leadership as our club president in 1988. She is very willing to help in our special club activities: the Rotary Club banquets, the annual benefit Stew Supper, preparing Christmas boxes for the shut-ins, special meetings for 4-H Club, annual Fun Day, Kokomo Club's summer social held in August. She is a very gracious hostess and does a superb job in whatever she does. Frances has served on the exhibit committee and currently serves on the education-expansion committee. She was instrumental in securing the Fine Arts Trio for entertainment at the Homemakers Club Day Luncheon as well as with decorating and planning for the day. She assisted in the Eastland County Pecan Show Bake Sale and concession, attended leadership workshop, the District 8 TEHA meet at Glen Rose, County wide "Fun Day Tour" in Cisco, District 8 TEHA camp at the State 4-H Center in Brownwood, and reported on the trip, and the Eastland County Health Fair in Cisco. She was a diligent work at the

**CANTERBURY VILLA
OF GORMAN**

NANCY HENDRICKS - Reporter

The November birthday party will be at 2 p. m. Thursday, Nov. 19. We are having it a week early so residents can visit families Thanksgiving.

The Kokomo E. H. Club and Orvil and Jenny Newcomb will come and help. Residents having November birthdays are Robert McClellan, Gussie Ragland, Burma Hickey, Irene Hebert and Lonzo Coffman.

Be sure and mark your calendar so you can be with your loved ones here on Nov. 19th.

The local churches are so good to come and be with us on Sundays. Those coming from the Kokomo Baptist Church Sunday were Woodrow and Helen Browning, Joe O'Neal, J. L. and Naoma Morrow, Hope Joiner, Nancy Hendricks, Ava Rodgers, Mamie Little and Bernice Rodgers.

The ones from the Gorman Church of Christ were Bro. Curtis Maness, Bro. T. A. Grice, Dora Faye Brewer, Jessie Lee Jones, Pernia Faye Smith, Stella Scott, Georgie Stacy, Gene and Jessie Lee Falls, Lorene Foster, Zina Simpson, Allie Mae George, Janda Taylor, Floydene Gilbert, Robert, Carolyn, Cindy and David Moore.

Visiting with Robert McClellan were his daughter, Wanda Jones of Fort Worth, granddaughter, Kelly McConnell of Grand Prairie, his wife, Agnes McClellan of Dublin, and his daughter, Eva Ruth of Weatherford.

Those visiting Berta Poyner were Christine Kinser of Beuna Park, Calif., Billie Stacy of Carbon, Bro. Joe O'Neal, Mayvis Lasater, Doyle Poyner, Maude Stacy, Stella Scott and Bro. Marion Dennis.

Gene and Joan Parker of Colorado City were visiting his parents, Jesse local County Fair and Bake Sale, bringing goodies, working the booth and assisting with entries for preserved foods, helped make stew for the Senior Citizens Bazaar, as well as getting building in order for the bazaar, setting up items of sale, and serving in the food booth.

The Kokomo Extension Club feels indeed grateful to have a club member such as Frances with her leadership ability and pleasing personality. She is always interested in improving her home, club, church and community. It is with great pride we call her our "Club Woman of the Year."

and Donnie Parker.

Lois Marie Taylor of Eastland and Virginia Pack visited Ruby Vandergriff.

Dorothy Pool of Fort Worth came and took Girdie Leeper to a family reunion at Moran.

We are sorry to report Jess Roberts is in the Harris Hospital at Fort Worth. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Mamie Little of Eastland visited Annie and Venno Hale.

Lenis Rice, Ima Reynolds and Keith Reynolds of Carbon visited Iola Johnson.

On Monday morning we had a spelling bee.

Monday afternoon Nancy Hendricks and Irene West came to help with bingo. Winners were: game 1 - Lonzo Coffman and Cynthia Earles; game 2 - Ruby Vandergriff; game 3 - Bernice Haynes. Berta Poyner blacked out.

Mrs. E. M. Wade and Mrs. J. F. Moseley visited Orvil and Emma Boyd, Burma Hickey, Ruby Vandergriff, Venno and Annie Hale, Garnet Adams and Gussie Ragland on Monday.

The singing was real good Thursday. Those coming were Pauline Glasson and Patsy Schwesig of De Leon, Dorothy Roberts of Desdemona, R. Lee McDaniels and Billie Stacy of Carbon, Ora Mae Atchison, Oma Dee Garrett, Anna Rush, Linda Hughes, Melba Frasier, Nancy Hendricks, Ava Rodgers, Lucretia Fairbatter, Velma Bennett and Junior Fairbetter and Estelle Dickey.

Ione Bownds of Eastland and R. Lee McDaniels of Carbon visited Edna Morgan.

**LETA HOGAN ATTENDS
S.A.D. MEETING**

Social activity director Leta Hogan went to Abilene last week for a big country chapter meeting of social activity directors.

They meet four times each year for their continuing education. The state and federal regulations require a director to be licensed and have 12 hours continuing education every year.

They meet in the Rehab Center and instead of exchanging Christmas gifts, everyone donates money to the Rehab. This is for a very worthy cause.

So sorry to report Buddy Eaves is a patient in De Leon Hospital, and we wish Mr. Eaves a speedy recovery.

Rev. Richard Watson, pastor of the New Hope Baptist Church, brought the Wednesday afternoon devotional, which we really enjoyed.

On Wednesday morning at 10 a. m. Gladys Chambless and Nancy Hendricks helped with bingo. Velma Bennett sent the prizes which we sure enjoyed. Those winning were Iola Johnson, Bernice Haynes, Ruby Vandergriff, Lonzo Coffman. Nancy Holloway had the black out card.

We appreciated the colorful honest-to-goodness home made bibs Mrs. Irene West brought, that were made by the Gorman First Baptist Homemakers Class. They were greatly needed and will sure doll us up at meal time.

Mr. and Mrs. Ott Hankins and E. Cooper of Glen Rose visited Dessie Cooper.

On Thursday at 1:30 Irene West, Nancy Hendricks and Joe O'Neal helped with bingo. Winners were: 1 - Alice Burleson and Nancy Holloway; 2 - Bernice Haynes; 3 - Lonzo Coffman; Cynthia Earles had the black out card.

Alice Burleson enjoyed eating with the Senior Citizens on Wednesday.

Mrs. T. T. Fair of Stephenville visited Ruby Vandergriff Tuesday.



SIX POINT BUCK - This six point buck was killed by Ted Underwood on the Underwood farm using a 30-06 rifle. The deer was killed Saturday morning.

**DESDEMONA
NEWS**

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LOOK WHO'S NEW

Keri Elizabeth, daughter of Gary and Doylena Campbell arrived at 5:55 a. m. on November 8th at the Eastland Memorial Hospital. She weighed 7 pounds and 14 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Lane Campbell. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Parker. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Weaver and Mrs. Mitchell Campbell.

Supper will be served at the Desdemona Community Center on Saturday, Nov. 21st. Serving will begin at 5 p. m. Everyone is invited. All proceeds go to put a new roof on the west wing of the building.

"Congratulations" to Davey and Denese Truitt of Stephenville on the arrival of their baby girl, Lauren, born November 10th. She is welcomed by two sisters, Shana and Ashley.

This reporter received a call Monday morning from Mrs. Henry (Gloria) Connell and she said to tell everyone "hello". She really did appreciate all the cards she received when Henry passed away.

Thought for Today - If you see someone without a smile, give him one of yours.

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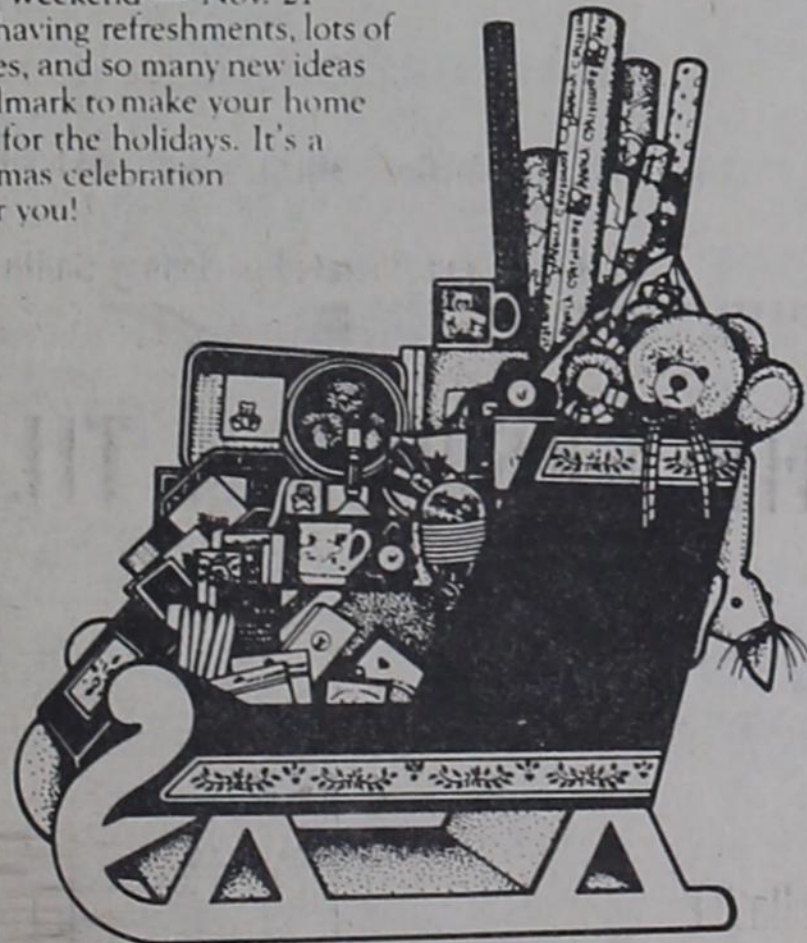
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Ruth Alene Warren Buried At De Leon

Ruth Alene Warren, 73, died Wednesday, November 11 in a De Leon nursing home.

Services were held at 2 p. m. Friday at Nowlin Funeral Home Chapel with Payne Hattox and Rev. Ronald Carroll officiating. Burial was in the De Leon Cemetery.

Born in Comanche County, she had lived in De Leon for most of her life. She was a homemaker and a member of Downing United Methodist Church. She was the widow of Bernice Warren.

Survivors include a son, Ray Dean Warren of Crowley; two daughters, Ruthie Porter of Gorman and Jo Ann Hellton of DeSoto; a brother, Tillman Hammon of De Leon; two sisters, Mae Atchley and Minnie Flippin, both of De Leon; five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Melissie Carwile Services Held Monday

Melissie (Mrs. Roy) Carwile, 87, of Abilene died Saturday in an Abilene nursing home.

Services were held at 2:30 p. m. Monday at the Elliott-Hamil Funeral Home Chapel of Memories on Hickory Street with Dr. Billy C. Spencer officiating. Burial was in Elmwood Memorial Park in Abilene.

Born in De Leon, she moved to Abilene in 1930. She was a graduate of Gorman High School, was a homemaker, and a member of the University Baptist Church and the Dorcas Sunday School Class.

Survivors include her husband, Roy Carwile of Abilene; a son, Roy J. Carwile of Abilene; two brothers, Roy Skaggs of Abilene and Dr. A. H. Pritchard of Kerrville; a sister, Leora (Mrs. Barney) Shoemaker of Abilene; two grandchildren; five great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Memorials were made to the American Cancer Society or favorite charity.

HOMEMAKERS CLASS MEETS IN FELLOWSHIP HALL

The Homemakers Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church met on Tuesday night, Nov. 10th in Fellowship Hall for their Thanksgiving Dinner and fellowship.

The tables were beautifully decorated in the Thanksgiving theme.

After a bountiful dinner of turkey and dressing and all the trimmings, plus pecan pie, pumpkin pie and sweet potato pie and tea and coffee, our teacher, Elaine Skinner brought a very timely and inspiring devotional about the Thanksgiving of years past and present.

Those present were Bea O'Neal, Frances Sanders, Iris Preston, Euna Porter, Thelma Hampton, Grace Townley, Louise Hall, Annie Faye Foster, Ora Lee Lawrence, Irene West, Lula Vermillion and her cousin, Marilyn Shinn from Kansas. We were happy to have her visit with us.

We all went home knowing we had eaten entirely too much, but thankful to our Lord we live in a country where we have too much to eat.

Services For Emma Marie Betts Held On Sunday

Emma Marie Betts, 65, of Seymour, formerly of Carbon, died Thursday, Nov. 12 at a Wichita Falls nursing home.

Services were held at 2:30 p. m. Sunday at Calvary Baptist Church with the Rev. Daryl Smith officiating assisted by Rev. James Hollar. Burial was in the Riverview Cemetery, directed by Seymour Memorial Funeral Home.

She was born in Pilot Point and was a homemaker. She was the widow of Johnnie Betts, and was a member of the Calvary Baptist Church.

Survivors include four sons, Charles Johnnie Betts of Brady, Chester Leon Betts, Benneth Ray Betts, and Jimmie Wayne Betts, all of Wichita Falls; two sisters, Ada Walker of Seymour and Louise Broyles of Modesto, Calif.; a brother, Amos Broyles of Anderson, Calif.; 18 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

THANKS TO THE FIREMEN

Thanks to the Gorman Volunteer Fire Department for their quick response to the trash fire at my home November 5th.

Hazel Snider

Wynelle Brown Is New President of County EH Council

The 1988 Eastland County Extension Homemakers Council officers have been elected for the new year.

Wynelle Brown of Kokomo Club is the new president. Other officers include Twila Lee, vice president; Matty Rose Hill, secretary; Muri Campbell, treasurer. All three are from the Pleasant Hill Club.

The 1988 County Texas Extension Homemaker Association chairman will be Dorothy Underwood of Morton Valley.

NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Currie of Stephenville, Dr. and Mrs. Jack Bishop and Dr. Tom Gage of Dallas visited Sunday with Mrs. Pauline Dennis.

Mrs. Charles Brown, Brandon and Lacye of Whitesboro spent the weekend with her mother, Dorothy Hatcher.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Clark of Comfort visited Monday with La Velle Rodgers and the Clark families and attended the funeral of Johnny Watson.

Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Bennett and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Bell of Cleburne visited with relatives and friends on Monday and attended the funeral of Johnny Watson.

Mrs. Eppie Jean Whitesides visited over the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Chandler and attended the funeral of Don Moorman.

There were a large number of other folks from out of town in Gorman to attend funerals during the weekend, but we regret not getting a report on them.

Fund Raiser A Success At Desdemona School

"Spooks Alive" and ghouls and goblins were all over the place Saturday Night, October 24, at the Desdemona Halloween Carnival at the old school. "Desdemona's Tomb" was reentered by about 160 people. One could tell the "Haunted House" was a big success!

With everyone pulling together with their donations and time, and with a large attendance, one more step was made on the goal to put a new roof on the school building. The community was especially grateful to the cast and crew of the Spook House, as well as to merchants and others Winners of the costume judging contest were:

Ages 0-3 - A tie between two cousins called "Two peas in a pod." They were Lindsey McGaha of Eastland, daughter of Mitzi (Lindley) McGaha, and Josh Carruth of Ranger, son of Kelly (Lindley) Carruth.

Ages 4-7 - Leni Roberts of Gorman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Roberts.

Ages 8-12 - Tommy Seay

Gorman Police Departments Reminds Public

The Gorman Police Department would like to remind the citizens of Gorman that there is usually an increase in thefts and burglaries prior to and during the holiday season, so you are encouraged to take steps to protect your possessions.

Some of the things that you can do are: (1) Install dead-bolt locks on all exterior doors. (2) Install secure locking devices on windows. (3) Use exterior lighting around your home. (4) Mark your possessions with an engraver. (5) Record serial numbers of possessions. (6) Watch for suspicious vehicles or persons in your neighborhood. (7) Check out offers of "good deals" from door-to-door salesmen. (8) Join a "Crime Watch" group. (9) REPORT unusual activities IMMEDIATELY to police.

The police department has a licensed Crime Prevention Officer available for home or business security surveys, and you may be eligible for a reduction in your homeowners insurance rates if you have a security survey conducted and comply with recommendations made by the officer.

Electric engraving pencils are available for loan free of charge at the police department. You should engrave your drivers license number on all valuables, using the letters "TX" as a prefix to the license number, i.e., "TX12345678". This will allow the police to identify stolen items that are recovered anywhere in the United States. All items that cannot be engraved should be photographed and any available serial numbers recorded. After you have marked all of your valuables, decals will be provided to you at no cost, so that prospective thieves will be less likely to take your property. They would rather steal unmarked items, because they are easier to sell or trade.

Beware of persons who go from house to house offering "deals" that are "too good to be true". Most of the time, they ARE too good to be true! When in doubt, call the police. We will be glad to check out any suspicious persons or activity.

Get involved in Crime Watch and learn how to reduce crime in Gorman. Above all, pay attention to what is happening in your neighborhood, and if it doesn't look "right", call the police immediately, regardless of the time of day. Reporting something the following day, or even several hours after it happens, does not help to PREVENT crime.

Please write down the following emergency numbers near your phone:

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- 734-2730(Nights & weekends)
- POLICE DISPATCHER 1-829-1728
- (Will accept collect calls)
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of Gorman, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Seay.

In another contest, out of 95 guesses on how many grains of corn there was on an ear of corn a Desdemona farm boy guessed it right on the nose. He was Eddie Lindley. Doyl Johnson grew the corn.

Lots of people took some mighty delicious cakes home that they won at the Cake Walk. A giant-sized carrot cake made in the shape of a pumpkin was bought by Dorothy Greenhaw. Ruth Koonce and Evelyn Yardley created this cake, and it sold in the auction for \$55.

The next public event at the School/Community Center will be the Thanksgiving Supper on November 21 at 5:00 P.M. There'll be some mighty good food at this event.

A monthly musical is an event for the public the first Saturday night of every month. The next one is December 5. All of the area musicians are invited to come and play. Everyone else is encouraged to come and listen.

The following is a list of merchants who contributed prizes for the Bingo games at the Carnival: Desdemona Cafe, fish dinner; Higginbotham of Gorman, set of juice glasses; Foster Floral, dish and spoon; Freddie Gilmore Auto Supply, sprocket set; Sav-On Foods, pound of coffee; Lasater's Department, gift certificate; Peanut Hut, fly swatter; Quickway, peanuts; Gorman Progress, typing paper; Koonce Chevrolet and Buick, anti-freeze and oil; De Leon Floral, vase; Price's Floral, wall hangers; Weaver Drug, snack holder; Smith Department, blanket; Farley Feed Store, crock bowl; De Leon Auto, sprocket set; Higginbotham of De Leon, freedom light; Dabney Hardware, pocket radio; Shelby Drug, cologne; Country Boy Grocery, ice chest; Barnett Automotive, car organizer; Food Fare, case of Lipton tea; Collum Mobil, 5 gallons anti-freeze; Country Corner, \$10. gas; Hi-Fashion, ducks; Tucker Service Station, antifreeze; and Benton Echols, place mats.

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