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GORMAN, EASTLAND COUNTY, TEXAS 76454

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# Merry Christmas



Somewhere, among the caroling, the tree trimming, the visits to friends, the gift giving and the baking of goodies is the joy and peace that the holidays bring. Christmas is for each of us to experience and enjoy in our own special way. May all things that say "Merry Christmas" to you be yours this holiday.

## The Gorman Progress

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**CITY CHIT CHAT**

By Charlie Garrett, Mayor

Well, Christmas is almost here. I am sure that all of you are looking forward to having a wonderful time with family and friends. I wish all of you a "Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

The commission voted to close the City Office as well as the landfill on both Thursday and Friday, December 24th and 25th so that employees could have an extra day with their families.

The landfill will be open on Saturday, December 26 from 8 a. m. until 5 p. m. for those who wish to use it.

The City will be back in full swing on Monday, December 28th through Thursday, December 31. The office and the landfill will be closed on Friday, January 1, 1988. -GP-

**Winners Announced For The Citizens State Bank Coloring Contest**

The Citizens State Bank have announced the winners in their annual coloring contest as follows:

Kindergarten and under - Levi Roberts, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bimbo Roberts of Gorman.

First through Third Grade winner is Sarah Reeves, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Reeves of Gorman.

Each winner received a \$50 savings bond and all other contestants received candy canes.

There were a large number of entries and the bank expresses its thanks to all the participants who made this year's event such a success.

Citizens State Bank also announced that it will close at noon Thursday, Dec. 24th and all day Friday, Dec. 25th. They will be open Monday at the regular hour.

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**Virgie Ellen Mauney Laid To Rest On Sunday**

Services for Virgie Ellen Mauney, 84, were held at 2:30 p. m. Sunday at the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Ron Carroll officiating. Burial was in the Oaklawn Cemetery in Gorman under the direction of Higginbotham Funeral Home.

Mrs. Mauney passed away at the Canterbury Villa Nursing Home in Gorman.

She was born in Yellville, Ark. She was a housewife and a member of the First Baptist Church of Gorman.

Survivors include her husband, Jack Mauney of Gorman; one daughter, Helen Koen of Abilene; two sons, L.V. Mauney of Somerville and Billie Jack of Houston; two brothers, Lonnie Hampton of Gorman and Royal Hampton of De Leon; and four grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Graydon Baze, George Bingham, Jimmy Bryan, Leland Warren, Archie Skaggs and Buster Brown. -GP-

**Elaine Skinner Services Held On Saturday**

Elaine Skinner, 69, died Wednesday, December 16, 1987 in the Stephenville Hospital.

Services were held at 2 p. m. Saturday at Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel in Gorman with the Revs. Melvin Hooten and Ron Carroll officiating. Burial was in the Howard Cemetery near Desdemona.

Born in Waco, she moved to Gorman seven years ago from Irving. She was a member of the First Baptist Church and was a retired bookkeeper. She was the widow of Paul Skinner.

Survivors include three daughters, Lou Ann Hill of Irving, Linda Hooten of Amarillo, and Helen Collum of Desdemona; a sister, Pauline Clark of Waco; a brother, Leslie Smith of Indonesia; eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild. -GP-

**CHRISTMAS LIGHTING CONTEST WINNERS ANNOUNCED**

Christmas Lighting and Decoration Contest winners were announced on Monday by Business Alliance president, Brent Lasater, sponsors of the annual contests.

Phil and Angie Golob won first place in the home decoration and lighting event. Their name will be placed on the plaque at City Office. Lisa Cornwell received second place and Frances Sanders received third place. Both were awarded ribbons.

High Fashion Beauty Salon won first place in the business division. They were given a plaque to be displayed in their place of business. Easley Trucks won second and Gold Metal Imports won third place. Second and third place winners received ribbons.

**Political Announcements**

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The Gorman Progress is authorized to make the following political announcements, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary on March 8, 1988.

House of Representatives:

District 17:  
CHARLES W. STENHOLM (re-election)

Eastland County Sheriff:

DON UNDERWOOD (re-election)

**EDNA SMITH CLASS MEETS IN FRANKIE JO SHIPMAN HOME**

The Edna Smith Sunday school class of First Baptist Church met in the home of Frankie Jo Shipman on December 14th.

The home was beautifully decorated throughout in the Christmas theme. The lovely table held the many Christmas goodies, chips, dips, sausage wheels, cheese balls, and different salads, topped off with lemon pie, pineapple cake and molded Jello, coffee and hot spiced tea. Gladys Chambless asked the blessing on the meal.

Louise Brown presided over the

business meeting with Geraldene Wright opening the meeting with prayer. All reports were given and the minutes of the last meeting were read. It was decided to take boxes of candy to the home-bound members.

Gladys Chambless brought the devotional on contentment. Bible references were Heb. 13:5; Phil. 4:11; I Tim. 6:6-8 and Phil. 1:21. Comments on how God's people can be happy, learning to be content, comments on material things and a recipe for contentment were some of the highlights made.

After the business meeting we gathered around a beautiful Christmas tree where we found Santa had left gifts for each of us. Those present were Louise Brown, Geraldene Wright, Hazel Smith, Gladys Chambless and hostess, Frankie Jo Shipman.



**All Good Wishes**

May your holiday be shining with joy. To those we've served, our thanks.

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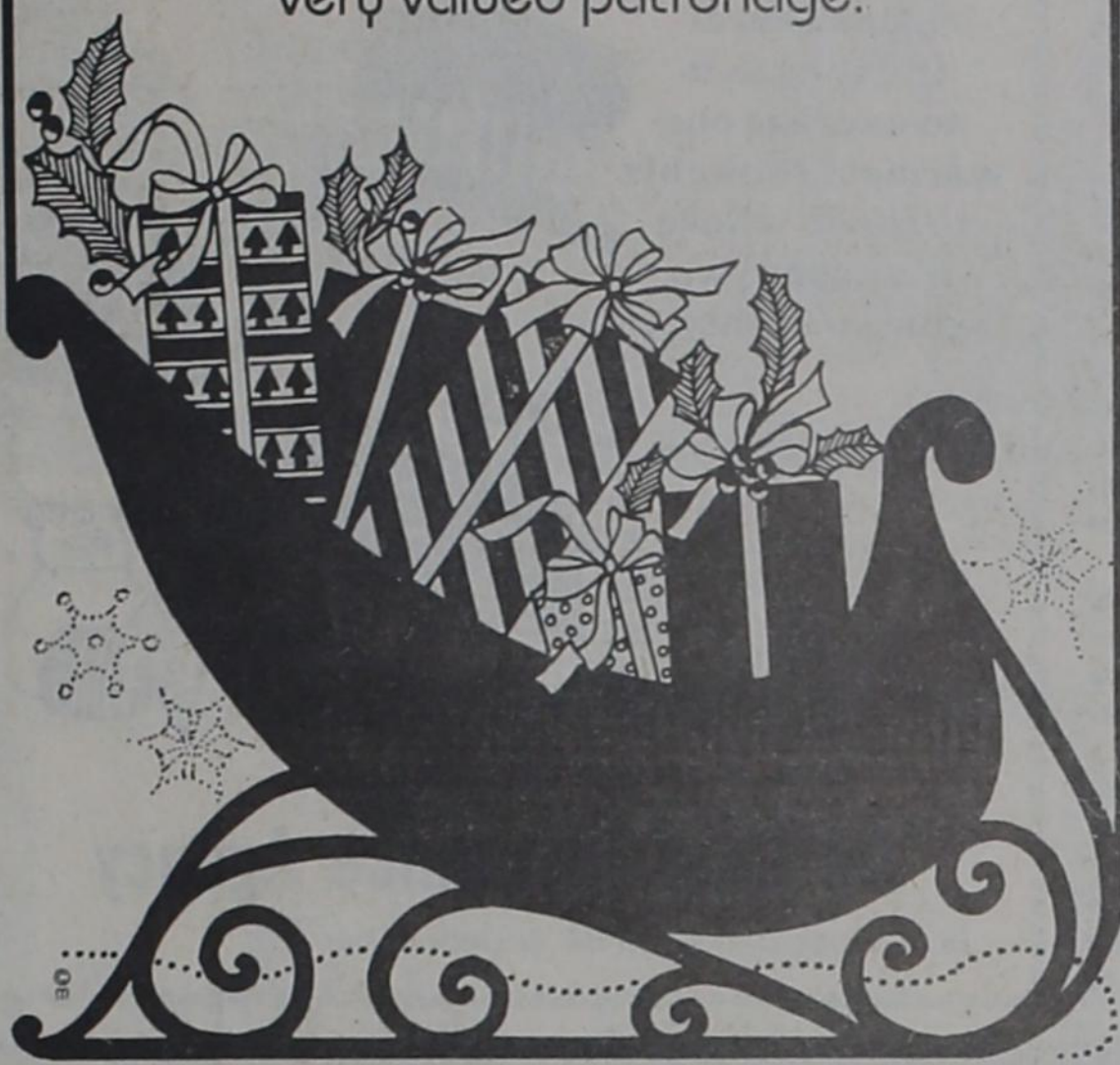
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**Charles Stenholm To Seek Re-Election To Congress**

Congressman Charles W. Stenholm (D-Stamford) announced today he has filed for re-election to the United States House of Representatives.

Stenholm is seeking his sixth term as the representative of the 17th Congressional District, composed of 35 counties in West Texas and parts of North Texas. On Monday, December 21st, Stenholm received official notice that his application for the 1988 election had been received in Austin.

First elected in 1978, Stenholm has served on the House Agriculture Committee, the Veterans Affairs Committee and the Small Business Committee during his first nine years in office. He is currently chairman of the Subcommittee on Dairy, Livestock and Poultry.

"I look forward to continuing the challenge of representing the 17th Congressional District," Congressman Stenholm said. "I have learned much during my time in Washington. Through my experience and growing seniority, I feel I will have a greater opportunity to represent and respond to the needs of this area."

"Cindy and I are grateful for the support we have had while in office," he said. "Our work would not be possible if it were not for the help and encouragement we have had from so many dear friends. We want to say again and again 'thank you.'"

—GP—

**CARD OF THANKS**

Words cannot express our thanks to all of you for your love and concern for me while I was in the hospital at Stephenville and since I've been home.

This is a special thanks to all of you for the lovely flowers, food, cards, visits, phone calls, and the many prayers I know were said for me.

Thanks again, and God bless you.  
Lottie and Hupp Morris  
—GP—

**CARD OF THANKS**

We would like to thank the Gorman Fire Department, the fire departments from the surrounding towns, and others who helped to extinguish the fire on our property. We appreciate you so much.

Doyle and Essie Poyner  
—GP—

**Senate Committee Ok's Gramm-Backed Big Bend Park Bill**

WASHINGTON — A key Senate committee has resoundingly approved legislation supported by U. S. Sen. Phil Gramm to add 67,000 acres to Big Bend National Park.

The proposal, which authorizes the U. S. Park Service to accept the Harte Ranch property on the edge of the park, was introduced in the House by U. S. Rep. Lamar Smith, R-San Antonio, and in the Senate by Gramm.

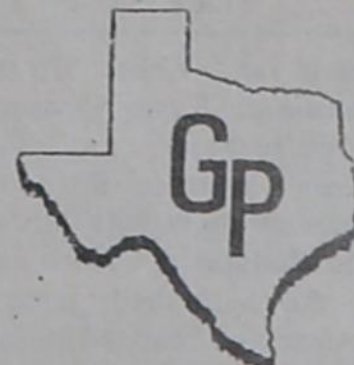
It was overwhelmingly approved by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

"The land which will be added to the park offers variety and beauty with its desert, mountains and prairies," Gramm said.

The land donated is adjacent to the current park boundaries and is commonly known as the Harte Ranch or the North Rosillas Mountains Preserve. In 1985, the original owners gave the property to the Texas Nature Conservancy with the stipulation that it be donated to the Big Bend National Park in its natural state.

The Gramm-Smith legislation provides the U. S. Park Service with the formal authority it needs to accept the property. There will be no purchase costs or other charges to the Federal Government involved in the transaction.

"This is a great deal for the taxpayer, a great deal for Texas and a great deal for us and our children," Gramm said. "All that remains is for the full Senate to approve this legislation and send it to the President for his signature."



**Press Points**  
Joe Bennett, Publisher

I sure hope that the weather will be good for the holidays. Oh, I know we need some c-o-o-l-d-d-d weather to go along with the good, but I just plain don't like cold, bad weather. The weatherman did forecast a little bad weather during the holidays. We hope the weather isn't bad through the holidays so that folks won't have to face the extra danger of hazardous roads, along with the overcrowded conditions on the highways when they travel to Papa and Granny's for the holidays. I think that most folks prefer the weather to be good for the holidays so that everyone can enjoy the time off instead of being cooped up in the house all the time.

And while we are on the subject of Christmas, all of us in the Progress family most sincerely wish for you and your family the happiest, brightest, merriest and safest holiday season and for all time to come, and hope and pray that the Good Lord has blessed you and yours as he has me and my family this year. Things are real tight for most of us these days, but we live in the greatest land in the world and need to thank God for that. May the best of everything imaginable be yours during this Christmas season and throughout the New Year ahead.

—J—

We want to thank our advertisers for their continuous support of your newspaper and the Christmas edition this year. We are blessed with great support from our advertisers and sincerely appreciate their support for the Progress, because without it publishing and mailing the paper would be impossible.

—J—

The expansion project out at Peanut Corporation of America is coming along real good and the machinery for the peanut butter portion of the plant is being put in place. This firm continues to expand and grow and this makes things look a little more brighter around here.

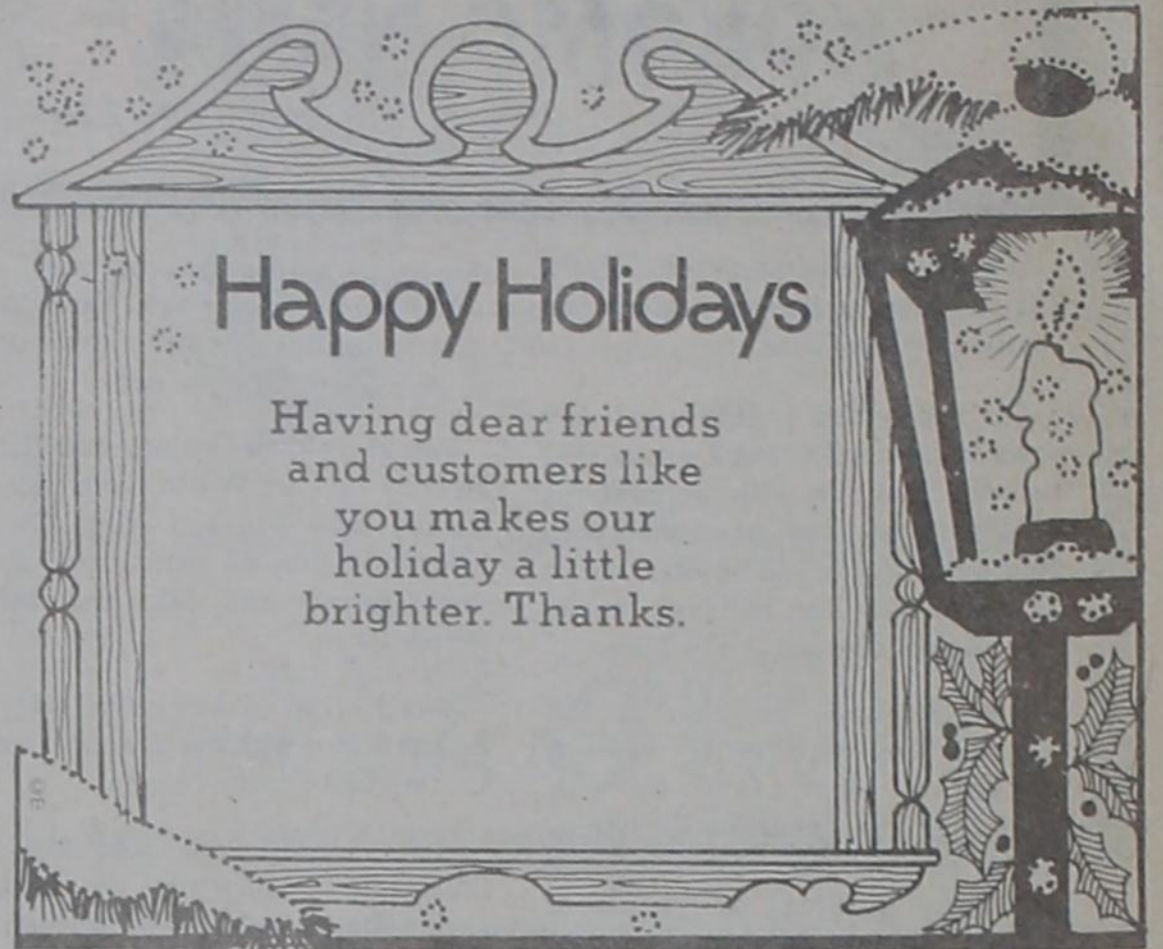
Also noticed that Jamie Mason is repainting the front of his building which formerly housed the Mason Auto Parts. Sure hope that this building can be rented for some kind of business in the near future. We have some buildings empty at this time in Gorman and it would be great if they could be filled with businesses to boost our town.

—J—

Lonnie will be taking off for a skiing trip the end of this week and next, so I guess things will go a little smoother around here. Seriously though, if you folks have any news that needs to go in next week's paper, try to get it as soon as possible so the "Old Man" can try to get it ready for printing next week.

—J—

Just remember to enjoy the best Christmas you've ever had - - and remember to smile - - because God Loves You!



**Happy Holidays**  
Having dear friends and customers like you makes our holiday a little brighter. Thanks.



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**MERRY CHRISTMAS**



**Greetings**

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**From the Staff and Employees of DE LEON HOSPITAL**





# KOKOMO NEWS

ZELDA JORDAN

Phone 639-2289

We wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

I'm sorry that I didn't get any news in last week, but I guess that everyone was busy with preparations for Christmas as no one called with their news. There will be lots of news to report after the holidays, so be sure and call it to me at 639-2289.

The Christmas program at the Kokomo Baptist Church was on Wednesday night, Dec. 16 with singing of the beautiful Christmas carols, led by Woodrow Browning and Helen Browning at the piano. Belinda Snider, Michaelyn Eaves and Sarah Lewis gave a very meaningful Christmas recitation.

Santa came to talk to the children and to help pass out the fruit bags and the many gifts under the beautifully decorated Christmas tree.

Barbecue on buns with all the trimmings, tea and cherry and peach cobbler were enjoyed in the follow-

ship hall following the program.

We were happy to have our visitors and invite you to come and be with us anytime you can.

Ron Murphy of Gorman and Dana Murphy of Fort Worth were recent visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Jordan and they all visited with Mrs. Dora Garrett and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Little.

Tena Nelson of Lewisville was a recent visitor with her grandparents, Clifford and Lurline Nelson.

Ken, Linda, Kyla and Kendri Clearman of Missouri City, Texas, Jackie, Diane and Charlie Morgan of Friona, Gary, Nanetta, Cathy and Jo Beth Thompson of Plainview and Mike, Mary Jo and Kami Jo Leonard of Canadian, all visited with their parents, J. C. and Anna Laura Clearman, during the weekend and all enjoyed an early Christmas dinner on Sunday, Dec. 20 in the home of Jamie and Ann Clearman at Tuscola, and their children, Keith and Krystal Clearman of Tuscola,

Kelvin and Kristi Whitehurst of Tuscola and Karley Clearman of Azle were also there.

Mrs. Berneice Rodgers spent Thursday night with Mr. and Mrs. John Rodgers at Carbon and attended the basketball game between Gorman and Eastland at Eastland.

Bubba Lewallen of Lewisville, Ken Reagan of Dallas, Charles Bruce and his son of Seminole visited with the Glenn Jordans and went deer hunting during the weekend.

Mrs. Paul Hoy of Plano was a recent visitor with her sister, Nancy Hendricks, and with their mother, Mrs. Charlotte O'Neal, at Canterbury Villa at Gorman.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Wood and Dawn Michelle of Odessa were weekend visitors of Nancy Hendricks and Dawn was also a visitor at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday night.

The Wednesday night service for Dec. 23 at the Kokomo Baptist Church has been dismissed.

Bob, Kathy, Kevin, Jason and Corby Rodgers of Brownwood visited with Mrs. Berneice Rodgers on Monday.

**EASTLAND ROTARIANS HOLD HOLD CHRISTMAS PARTY HERE**  
Members of the Eastland Rotarian

Club, their wives and guests met for their Christmas banquet in the Kokomo Community Center on Monday night, Dec. 14. Richard Rossander entertained with beautiful Christmas songs.

The tables were beautifully decorated in the Christmas theme. Turkey and dressing, ham, and all the trimmings, with pie for dessert, tea and coffee were served by the ladies of the Kokomo Extension Homemakers and Community Clubs.

Following the Rotarian party, members of the clubs held their annual Christmas supper. Those attending were Bill and Wynelle Brown, Joe and Vaynelle Hodges, Cullen and Ava Rodgers, Berneice Rodgers, J. L. and Naoma Morrow, Nancy Hndricks, Velma Bnnett, Ottis and Johnnie B. Griffith, Jeanette Burreson and Jack and Frances Bishop.

Members sending food for the banquet, but unable to attend the supper were J. C. and Anna Laura Clearman, Alvin and Merle Lasater, and Glenn and Zelda Jordan.

The men met at the church and fixed the fruit and candy bags for Santa to distribute at the program on Wednesday night, and the ladies fixed boxes of fruit, cookies and candy for the elderly and shut-ins of the community.

## Christmas Treats

One of the great pleasures of the season is to express our warmest thoughts to those whose friendship we value so highly...



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### Donna Gatlin Named Asst. Co. Agent For Taylor

Donna G. Gatlin of Cleburne, will assume the position of Assistant County Extension Agent - Home Economics for Taylor County effective January 15. The appointment was announced today by County Judge Jesse Holloway and District Extension Director Carolyn Gilbert.

Mrs. Gatlin is an honor graduate of Tarleton State University and has served an internship in the Eastland County Extension Office. She was the recipient of a Tarleton Academic Scholarship and is listed as "Who's Who in American College and University students. She is also a member of the National Honor Society.

Primary responsibility for Mrs. Gatlin will be the 4-H program in Taylor County. She will also be working with Home Economics educational programs through the Extension Service.

A native of Eastland County, Mrs. Gatlin is presently the Chief Accountant in the Johnson County Auditors Office. She and her husband, Gary, will be moving to Abilene after the first of the year.

Donna is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Browning of Gorman.

—GP—

### Vicki Campbell Inducted Into Texas Alpha Kappa Chapter

Victoria Ann Campbell, a Tarleton State University from Gorman, was one of 50 students recently inducted into the Texas Alpha Kappa Chapter of Alpha Chi, the national honorary scholastic society.

Vicki is majoring in Elementary Education at the University. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leo "Bill" Vaughn of Gorman. She is married to Brad Campbell and the couple have four children.

The Alpha Kappa Chapter was established at Tarleton in the fall of 1968. There are over 279 chapters in the U. S. and the District of Columbia. Membership is limited to the upper 10 percent, academically, of the junior and senior classes.

Chapter sponsors Dr. Robert Fain, Dr. Jim Kirby and Dr. Ruby Barker conducted the candlelight induction ceremonies in the Multi-purpose Room of the Dick Smith Library.

—GP—

### COUNTY PEANUT PRODUCTION REPORT RELEASED DEC. 21

The following Eastland County peanut Production Report will be updated periodically as additional producers report their production. This is a follow-up to the first report issued in last weeks paper.

Total Planted Acres - 26,965.2  
Planted Acres Reporting - 7,461.2  
Pounds Harvested - 9,943,957  
Average Yield Per Acre - 1,332.8

—GP—

#### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our appreciation for the kindness and concern shown us during the illness and death of our loved one, Virgie Mauney. To Rev. Ron Carroll, the employees at Canterbury Villa and Higginbotham Funeral Home. Also to the many friends who brought food and served the family dinner, sent flowers and beautiful cards and prayers during this time of sorrow.

We are grateful and pray that God's richest blessings may be bestowed upon each of you.

The family of Jack Mauney

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### NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH TO HOLD NEW YEARS SERVICE

The members of the New Hope Baptist Church will be celebrating the New Year with a midnight singing service on Thursday, December 31. The program will begin at 8 p. m. and will be ending just after midnight.

Refreshments will be served at 10 p. m. and the public is invited to attend.

—GP—

### Citizens State Bank Announces Turkey Winners

Citizens State Bank announced on Monday the winners of the Christmas Turkey drawing.

The winners were Louise Clark, Troyat Underwood, Madell Isbell, Truman Been, David Guthery, Richard Dodd, John West, Roberta Rector, Johnny Dorsett and Estelle Craddock.

—GP—

#### THANKS TO THE PEOPLE OF GORMAN AND AREA

Since it is impossible for me to thank everyone personally, I'll use this letter to the Progress to say what I feel.

I would like to express my appreciation for all the support, prayers, cards and letters I have received. I would also like to thank everyone who helped with the benefit and the fund started at the bank.

It is so nice to live in Gorman where you can depend on people to be your friend.

I look forward to coming home and seeing my friends in Gorman.

God bless you.

Edna Joyce Brinegar  
—GP—

#### CRAWLEY FAMILY ENJOY EARLY CHRISTMAS GATHERING

The family of Mrs. Roy Crawley met Saturday and Sunday for an early Christmas get-together.

Family members present were Mr. and Mrs. Bob Pharris, Lorne Tye and Trista and Mr. and Mrs. Gary Neal, Jennifer and Troyat, all of Hamlin, Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Conelius of Copperas Coppell, Mr. and Mrs. Roney Turley and Monty of Stephenville, and Cindy Gailey and Casey of Garland.

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## CANTERBURY VILLA OF GORMAN

NANCY HENDRICKS Reporter

We wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! We will have our December birthday party honoring residents having

birthdays in December on Dec. 31 at 2:30 p. m.

The Kokomo Extension Homemakers Club and Orvil and Jenny Newcomb and Georgie Welch will come and help us.

Those being honored are Frank Hagood, Thelma O'Neal, Mary Harwell, Veno Hale, Mary Emerson and Garnet Adams.

Relatives and friends are welcome to come and enjoy the program and be with loved ones.

Coming from the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday at 2:30 p. m. were Rev. Clarence Wilson, Hope Joiner, Ava Rodgers, Billie Stacy, Bernice Rodgers, Nancy Hendricks, Cynthia Wilson, J. L. and Naoma Morrow.

At 4 p. m. those from the Gorman Church of Christ were Bro. Curtis and Nita Maness, Bro. T. A. Grice, Zena Simpson, Jessie Lee Jones, Frankie and Georgie Stacy, Janda and Tracey Taylor, Bernia Faye Smith, Juamita Files, Dee Smith, Cythia Alldredge, Gene and Jessie Lee Falls, Gregg, Kathy, Jeanie, Tana and Samantha Goode, Floydene Gilbert and Lorene Foster.

Visiting with Emma Doyle and Orvil Boyd were Mr. and Mrs. Don Loudermilk of Comanche, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Boyd of Desdemona and Mrs. Christen Lawson of Edna.

Mrs. Paul Hoy of Plano visited Charlotte O'Neal and Thelma O'Neal.

Ina Reynolds of Carbon visited Iola Johnson.

On Monday Velma Bennett and Nancy Hrdricks helped us with bingo. Girdie Leeper and her daughter furnished crocheted Santa Clauses for prizes. They were so cute. Winners were: game 1 - Berta Poynor; game 2 - Nancy Holloway; and Bernice Haynes; game 3 - Cynthia Earles; and black-out winners were Ruby Vandergriff and Wilma Rawls.

Dorothy Roberts gave Bernice Haynes a permanent.

Visiting with Berta Poynor were Lois Marie McDaniels of Eastland, Billie Stacy of Carbon, Velma Bennett, L. T. Haywood, Tina and Bert Frasier, Rhonda Mae Barney and Mayvis Lasater.

Peggy Sutton visited Garnett Adams.

Visiting with Harley and Wilma Rawls were Patsy and Bill Locke of Burleson, Puggy Adcock Hancock of Leesburg, Fla., Emma Bethney of De Leon, Zelma Sharp of Desdemona Zula Palmer of De Leon, Lowell Rawls, Irene Hallmark, Zina Simpson and Estelle Dickey.

Jammy and Oma Mae Hughes of Carbon visited Robert McClellan.

Faye and Freddie Huff visited Cynthia Earles on Thursday.

Richard Kinser of Eastland and Truice Coffman visited Lonzo Coffman.

Lois Marie McDaniels of Eastland visited Bernice Haynes.

Jimmy and Verna Lee Little and Mamie Little of Eastland and Betty Little of Albany visited Annie and Veno Hale.

Jessie Lee Jones, Pernia Faye Smith, Earl and Betty Little of Albany visited George Bennett.

Nan Haynes of De Leon, Lillie Mae Prentiss of Whutney, Zela Sharp of Desdemona visited Bernice Haynes.

Those coming for the Tuesday singing were R. Lee McDaniels of Carbon, Dorothy Roberts of Desdemona, Velma Bennett, Willo Rice, Hillery and A. V. Seay, Nancy Hendricks, Linda Hodges, Melba Frasier, Estelle Erwin, Iris Preston, Opal Mauney, Estelle Dickey, Anna Rush and Junior Fairbetter.

Visiting with Carroll and Leta Hogan were Bubba Hogan, Elaine, Jeremy, Joshua and Melinda Eaves, Bea, Harold, Blessing and Jacob Schkade of Albany.

Mickey and Leanie Parker of Broken Bow, Okla., Gene and Joan Parker of Colorado City visited Jessie and Donnie Parker.

Those visiting with Girdie Leeper were Steven Gideon, Ethan Tedford and Dottie Pool of Austin, Norma Tedford of Fort Worth, Ethelyn of Springtown, Linda Bland of Sipe Springs, James Lynn Torrez, Nellie Lucky, Rhonda Burney, Berta Poynor, Guina Guen Rhon, Jonell Torrez Dewey and Tala Bailey, Darlene Cariker, Cynthia Earles and Sabrina Glasson.

Gladys Frasier visited Cynthia Earles.

Iola Wilkins of Stephenville visited Alice Burleson Thursday.

Ruby Acrea visited Judy Phillips on Thursday.

On Thursday at 2 p. m. Mozelle Rhymes and Nancy Hendricks came and helped us with bingo. Winners were: game 1 - Dock Hamilton; game 2 - Berta Poynor; game 3 - Iola Johnson and Cynthia Earles. Black-out winners were Bernice Haynes, Berta Poynor, and Cynthia Earles.

At 7 p. m. on Thursday we really had a good country and western musical. Guests were Loyd and Bobbie Glasson, Paul and Imogene Norris, Truitt and Ruby Lee Norris,

Babe Norris and Nell Fills of Carbon, Burton Henry and Peggy Speak of De Leon, Marshall Reeves of Dublin, Marsha Conley of Los Cruces, N. M., Pete Rodgers, Cleo and Obie Duncan of Eastland, Gus and Evelyn Sublett of Breckenridge, Carroll and Leta Hogan, Gabe Wright, Archie Skaggs Varona Taylor, Nancy Hendricks, Cindy Comack, Irene Hallmark, O-Dell and Minnie Dupuy.

We regret the passing of Virgie Ellen Mauney, age 84, who passed away Friday, Dec. 18th. Mrs. Mauney had been a resident for about a year. She was a homemaker and a Baptist.

We extend sympathy to the family.

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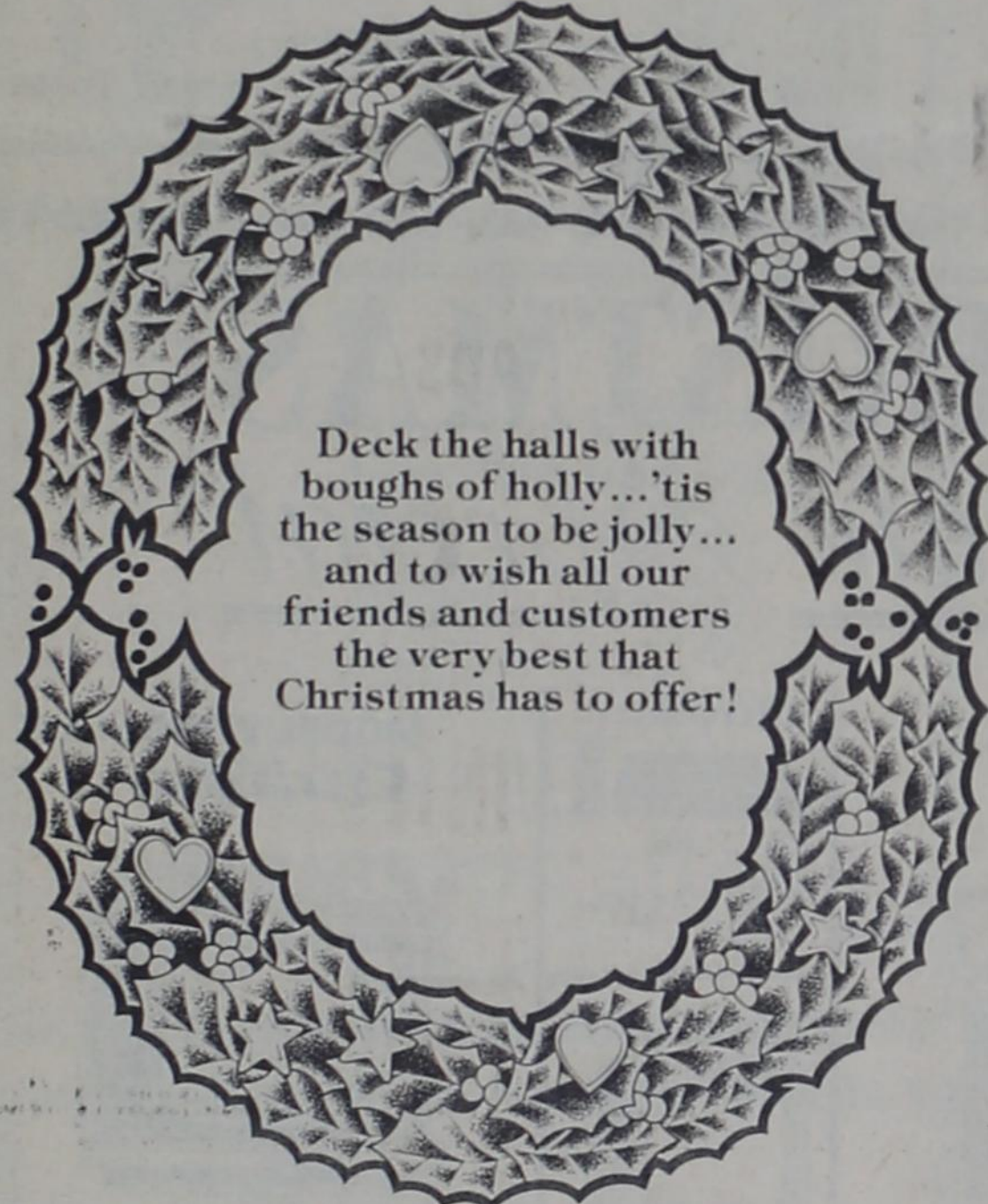
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**CARBON NEWS**

DOROTHY JACKSON  
Phone 639-2540

Christmas Day is drawing closer. I would like to take this opportunity to say "Merry Christmas" to all the readers of this news column. If you travel, may you have a safe journey and each of you enjoy your families

and friends.

There is not a lot going on around here this week except all the last minute preparations for our loved ones to be home with us during the holiday season. In fact, as I write this my house is filled with my grandchildren anxiously awaiting a visit from old St. Nick.

There are no school activities this week, but Mr. Kenneth Pursch, teacher at Carbon School, carried the canned goods and the toys the students at Carbon collected for the Goodfellows in Eastland. The first

and second grade students brought in the most. All the food and toys will help someone have a merry Christmas. Thanks, students, for helping in this way. May each of you have a happy and safe holiday season.

Last week we had a light dusting of snow. It was not cold enough for much of it to stick. Oh, how pretty it was coming down; but oh how many problems it can cause if you have to be out on the roadway. The lowest temp at my place was 19. With the teasing of snow by mother nature, she finally got to business Saturday morning by giving us some much needed moisture. Recorded 1.30 in my gauge. Others reported different amounts.

Christmas music was enjoyed by members, along with several visitors on Sunday night at the Baptist Church. The children acted out the nativity scene, with the help of some adults. Suddenly there came bells ringing at the door, and in came Santa. He visited with the boys and girls as they gathered around him. Santa helped in passing out gifts and fruit baskets to all in attendance. Sharon Unger of Belton visited

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Walker over the weekend.

Mrs. Sylvia Estes of San Antonio visited Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Whitehorn and Mary over the weekend. Bro. T. D. Whitehorn brought the morning message at the Baptist Church, in the absence of the pastor.

Mr. and Mrs. Ande Paulk of Sierra Blanca are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Morgan, and other relatives during the holidays.

In the home of Dorothy Jackson this week are her children, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Jackson, Danell, Michael and Joshua of Rising Star, Mr. and Ms. Stan Tucker, Andy and Erin of Sweetwater.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Walker and family of Burkett are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Collin Campbell.

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# One Good Sport Deserves Another



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Roasting, in a conventional oven or microwave, and french frying are the basic home preparation methods. Capitalize on the energy of a conventional oven already in use by cooking a pan of peanuts one layer deep. They can cook along with your main dinner dish.

However you prepare them, you may enjoy the peanuts salt free or sprinkled with one of your favorite seasonings. Since peanuts are good sources of protein and B vitamins, they make a healthy taste treat.

## PEANUT ROASTING METHODS

### Conventional Oven Roasting ("Parching")

Place raw peanuts, in-shell or shelled, one layer deep in a shallow baking pan. Roast in a 350°F. oven—15 to 20 minutes for shelled and 20 to 25 minutes for in-shell peanuts. (Peanuts must be removed from oven just short of doneness desired as they continue to cook as they cool.)

### Microwave Oven Roasting

2 cups raw shelled peanuts  
Place peanuts in a 10 x 6 inch glass or other microwave-safe container. Dot with butter or margarine. Microwave on high for two minutes. Stop. Stir peanuts. Continue to microwave two minutes at a time followed by stirring until peanuts have been

microwaved 10 minutes for light roast; 12 minutes for medium roast. Remove from microwave. \*Season to taste. (Caution: peanuts continue to cook as they cool. Cooking time may vary with ovens.)

### Oil Roasting (French Frying)

2 cups raw shelled red skin or blanched peanuts  
1-1/2 cups peanut oil or enough to cover peanuts

In an electric skillet, deep fryer or heavy saucepan heat oil to 350°F. Add peanuts and cook, stirring frequently, for about 5 minutes or until just under doneness desired (they continue to cook as they cool). Drain on paper. \*Season to taste.

\*Seasonings to complement freshly roasted shelled peanuts include salt, seasoned salt, popcorn salt, onion salt or powder, garlic salt or powder, paprika, chili powder, curry powder, red pepper, Parmesan cheese, etc.

## CARD OF THANKS

I want to thank everyone for all the cards, letters, telephone calls, and most of all for your prayers for me when I underwent hip surgery in the St. John's Hospital in San Angelo, and while I was recuperating in the home of my daughter and son-in-law Lavell and Jerry Hallmark in San Angelo.

I love everyone, and I appreciate the visits and all that has been done for me since my return home.

May you all have a Merry Christmas and many blessings in the New Year.  
Dora Garrett

## County Extension NEWS

I still haven't received the majority of the 4-H Animal Project forms. Please remember that these forms must be filled out for any 4-H project to be shown during the 1988 Eastland County Livestock Show. They must be returned before January 1, 1988, or you will not be eligible for the county show. Forms were mailed to every 4-H member and additional copies may be picked up from your local club leader or the County Extension Office.

Are any of you interested in traveling to foreign countries? If so, 4-H has the perfect opportunities for you. Through the International Foreign Youth Exchange, students may travel to many different countries around the world. Trips may last from 6 weeks up to 6 months. Participating countries are too numerous to list; however, a sample includes Sweden, Switzerland, Germany, Australia, and Greece. Applications may be picked up at the County Extension office.

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# The Story of Old Scrooge

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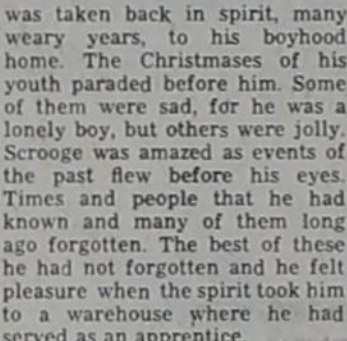
With a wife and three children to support, Bob Cratchit hardly made enough money as a clerk in the firm of Scrooge and Marley. When Marley died, Scrooge, his sole administrator, retained the firm's name and continued the business. Scrooge was tight-fisted and grasping. He was also untrusting. One particular Christmas Eve, as Cratchit sat busily copying letters in his cold, drab little corner, he was mindful of the fact that Scrooge, in his counting room nearby, had left open the door in order to keep a cautious eye on his employe.



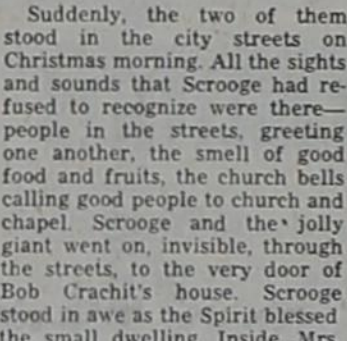
When the hour for closing arrived at the counting-house, Scrooge grumpily stopped his money-counting, dismounted from his stool and told his clerk, Bob Cratchit, that work was ended for the day. Scrooge didn't approve of the holiday, but he had to recognize that it existed. "You'll want all day tomorrow, I suppose?" "If quite convenient, sir." "Look all the more unpleasant," Scrooge said. "It's not convenient, and it's not fair. If I was to stop half-a-crown for it, you'd think yourself ill-used, I'll be bound? And yet, you don't think me ill-used, when I pay a day's wages for no work."



Satisfied with his search, Scrooge looked himself in a double-locked himself in, in which was not his custom. Strange sounds were in the air, and strange things happened. A disused bell hung near his bed. It began to swing slowly, then rang loudly, as did every other bell in the house. Scrooge listened intently. Another sound began when the bells ended. It seemed someone was dragging heavy chains over the wine merchant's casks in the cellar below. The sound grew nearer and nearer. And then, within the room, he stood, Marley, with his pigtail, his waist-coat, tight and boots. The chain he drew was wrapped around his middle. It was made in steel, but resembled familiar things—cash boxes, padlocks, ledgers, deeds and heavy purses.



When they peered into the window, Scrooge saw an old gentleman in a Welsh wig, sitting at a high desk and he exclaimed, "Why, it's old Fezziwig! Bless his heart, it's Fezziwig alive again!" As they looked, Old Fezziwig laid down his pen. He looked at the clock. "Ye, ho, there! Ebenezer! (that's me, thought Scrooge, Dick!) Ah, Dick, Wilkins, to be sure), no more work tonight, Christmas Eve, Dick, Christmas, Ebenezer. Let's have the shutters up."



Scrooge continued to watch as the Cratchits busily prepared their small Christmas feast. Everyone joined in preparation of the meal. Excitement mounted as they gathered about the table and Mr. Cratchit approached the roast goose with a carving knife. A murmur of delight arose and even Tiny Tim shouted Hurray! A pudding much too small for so large a family, was a wonderful treat. Dinner over, the family gathered round the hearth. Bob Cratchit raised a toast to "Merry Christmas to us all, my dears, God bless us!" The family re-echoed the sentiment and Tiny Tim, the last of all, said "God bless us every one!"



Scrooge journeyed on, to his nephew's house. He passed the door a dozen times before he had the courage to knock. Then he made a dash to the door, and did it. "Fred," he said when his nephew appeared. "Why, bless my soul!" cried Fred. "It's I, Your Uncle Scrooge. I've come to dinner. Will you let me in, Fred?" He was made so heartily welcome. He thought his nephew would shake his arm off. He was perfectly at home within minutes.



CONGRATS — Angela Michael, who was the First Runner-up in the Little Miss Gorman contest has won again. Angela was named, "Duchess", third place winner in the five through six year age group in the "Big Country Baby Pageant" benefiting the Abilene High Rollers, Wheelchair Athletes. Angela received her trophy at the Abilene Civic Center, December 7, 1987 at 6:30 p.m.

In addition to her trophy, she also received the 100 Percent Health Award and fourth place in the beauty division which was a Gold Rosette Ribbon with the Beauty Diploma.

Angela is the daughter of James and Diane Michael. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Lee Michael of Breckenridge, Texas and Edna Roney of Gorman, Texas.



## Christmas Blessings

Wise Men, journeying from the East, followed the Star to Bethlehem seeking the newborn King to bestow their gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh and to worship Him. We extend our best wishes and thanks.

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**ITEM OF INTEREST**

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

**SENIOR CLASS BAKE SALE** December 30, 1987 In front of Post Office at 7:30 a.m.

**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.

Information needed on the Morgan Cemetery established in 1882. We are looking for the deed. New fence being put in. Also need help with expenses or work. The Cemetery is located Windham Ranch. Call 817-734-2063.

**BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC** at the Senior Center every 3rd Wednesday of each month from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

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

**A BRIGHT STAR SHINING**

By Lavelle Wood Key

There was a bright star shining  
On a long ago, far away land,  
It told of a birth  
In a tiny little manger,  
A birth so humble and grand.

There was a bright star shining,  
Leading shepherds and wise men  
To view the tiny babe,  
With joy in their hearts  
And gifts in their hands,  
At his feet they humbly prayed.

There was a bright star shining,  
And the angels were singing,  
With joy and glad tidings of the birth,  
Of love and peace  
And human kindness  
And all good things on earth.

There is a bright star shining,  
For Christ is born anew each year  
When this season arrives,  
And we gather with love in our hearts  
And joy on our faces,  
And share the good feelings  
On which our souls thrive.

Have you ever looked at a star? I mean really looked at a star. Perhaps you have noticed that within the brightness of a star there appears a cross. This cross symbolizes the death of Christ on the cross to me. Therefore the star not only indicates the birth of our Saviour, but also His death and rising from the tomb. The star renews the promise that through His birth, death and rising again we can have salvation and the promise of everlasting life.

**District Attorney Warns Citizens Of Get Rich Scheme**

The Criminal District Attorney's Office in Eastland has received information that there may be some citizens of Eastland County who are the victims of what appears to be an illegal "get rich scheme". Also, by participating in such ventures, the citizen may be unknowingly committing a criminal act by participating in an "Endless Chain Scheme", most commonly called a "pyramid". Under the criminal laws of Texas it is unlawful to contrive, prepare, set up, propose, operate, promote, or even participate in an endless chain. An "endless chain" is any scheme for the distribution of money or any other property whereby a participant gives or pays money or any other valuable consideration for the chance to receive compensation for introducing additional persons and their participating in the get rich scheme.

The State law prohibiting this activity has been in effect since 1974 and it was passed in order to protect the majority of participants, who by the nature of any such scheme, would never receive any financial return. Therefore, if a citizen is or has been approached to participate in any such "get rich opportunities", or has been cheated by participating, please contact your local law enforcement agency so that steps can be taken to apprehend the responsible promoter or promoters and prevent further bilking of the citizens by unscrupulous promoters and causing the citizens who participate from losing their money and unknowingly violating the law.

District Attorney Emory Walton urges that the citizens when approached to participate in any such schemes to not become involved because they most likely will lose their money to a rip-off promoter who will be long gone when the citizen finally realizes he or she has been taken. Walton warns there is no such thing as a "get rich quickly", "pie-in-the-sky", "limited or privileged opportunity", or "exclusive or confidential investment" in any of these types of schemes.

**THANK YOU NOTE**

Madam, I do appreciate you returning the articles to my home that were taken 3 to 4 months ago. The reward of the money taken and the 10 fifty cent pieces you can keep and enjoy.

May God bless you.

SAM

**Homemakers Class Meets With Annie Faye Foster**

On Tuesday night, December 8, the Homemakers Sunday school class met in the lovely home of Annie Faye Foster for our annual Christmas class meeting. Annie Faye had her home beautifully decorated for Christmas. We always enjoy our meetings in the Foster home.

After a delicious dinner of many delicious Christmas goodies we enjoyed a very inspiring devotional on Christmas past and present, brought by our guest, Frankie Jo Shipman.

We then exchanged gifts and each brought our Lottie Moon offering at this time for Foreign Missions.

Those enjoying the evening were our teacher, Elaine Skinner; president, Juanita Fuller, and Iris Preston Grace Townley, Euna Porter, Frances Sanders, Lula Vermillion, Bea O'Neal, Billie Bennett, Mayvis Lasater, Louise Hall, Irene West and Frankie Jo Shipman and Bonnie Watkins.

—GP—

**Gramm Lashes Japan Plan To Keep Barriers Against U.S. Beef**

WASHINGTON — U. S. Sen. Phil Gramm of Texas, emerging from a meeting with Japanese Ambassador Nobuo Matsunaga, demanded an end to Japanese trade barriers against the import of American beef.

"It is time for Japan to start acting like a great trading nation and to stop cheating its workers through protectionism," the senator said.

Gramm said that "while Japan is a major importer of U. S. beef, the potential for additional sales is enormous if the Japanese government will finally do away with the trade restrictions that it has already promised to eliminate."

He noted that the present quota agreement on American beef is set to expire on March 31, 1988.

"I have emphasized to the Japanese ambassador that this is an opportunity to create freer trade in a product that will benefit both American cattlemen and Japanese workers," Gramm said.

"The final elimination of import quotas on American beef will increase the incomes of cattlemen here and will improve the living standards of workers there," he said.

"I will strenuously oppose any new proposal to expand the trade barriers on American beef," Gramm said.

—GP—

**Senate Sends Big Bend Park Expansion Bill To President**

WASHINGTON — The Senate has passed and sent to the president legislation supported by U. S. Sen. Phil Gramm to add 67,000 acres to Big Bend National Park.

The proposal authorizes the U. S. Park Service to accept the donation of the Harte Ranch.

Senate approval of the proposal, which was introduced originally in the Senate by Gramm, followed a formal okay by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

The land is adjacent to the current park boundaries. In 1985, the original owners gave the property to the Texas Nature Conservancy with the stipulation that it be donated to the Big Bend National Park in its natural state.

"This bill provides the U. S. Park Service with the formal authority it needs to accept the property," Gramm said, noting that the transaction includes no charges to the federal government.

"This is a great deal for the taxpayer, a great deal for Texas, and a great deal for us and our children," Gramm said.

—GP—

**Fred Rogers Family Hold Early Christmas**

Fred and Joy Rogers enjoyed an early Christmas celebration with their children over the weekend.

Present for the happy occasion were Sha, Bruce and Amanda Penny of Atlanta, and Wesley, Dorenda, Gina, Miriam and Lesley of Granbury, and Fred's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rogers of Ranger.

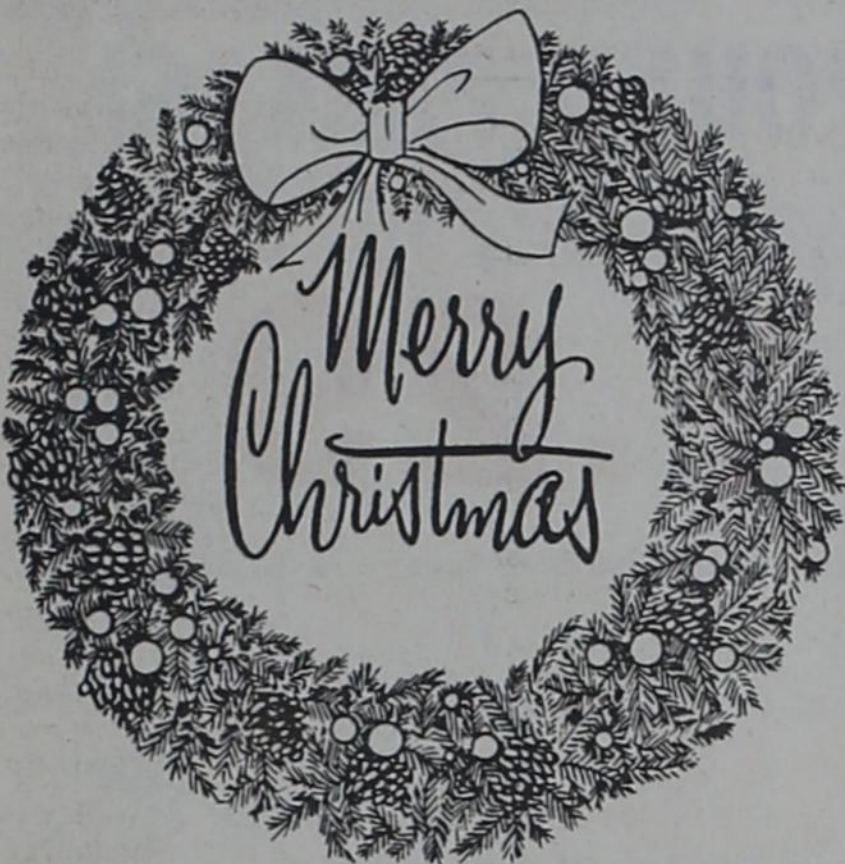
**NEWS**

Mrs. Grace Nix of Longview arrived on Saturday for an extended visit with Mrs. Agnes Hodge.

Dorothy Hatcher spent last week in Whitesboro with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brown, Brandon and Tacey.



**'CHECK PRESENTED** — The American Legion Post No. 471 of De Leon donated a check to the Gorman Fire Department in the amount of \$100.00 for their assistance in fighting fires in the De Leon, Duster and Gorman area. Presenting the check last Friday to Gene Foster was Post Commander John Rudloff.



May the magic of this Happy Holiday bless one and all with the spirit of good will.

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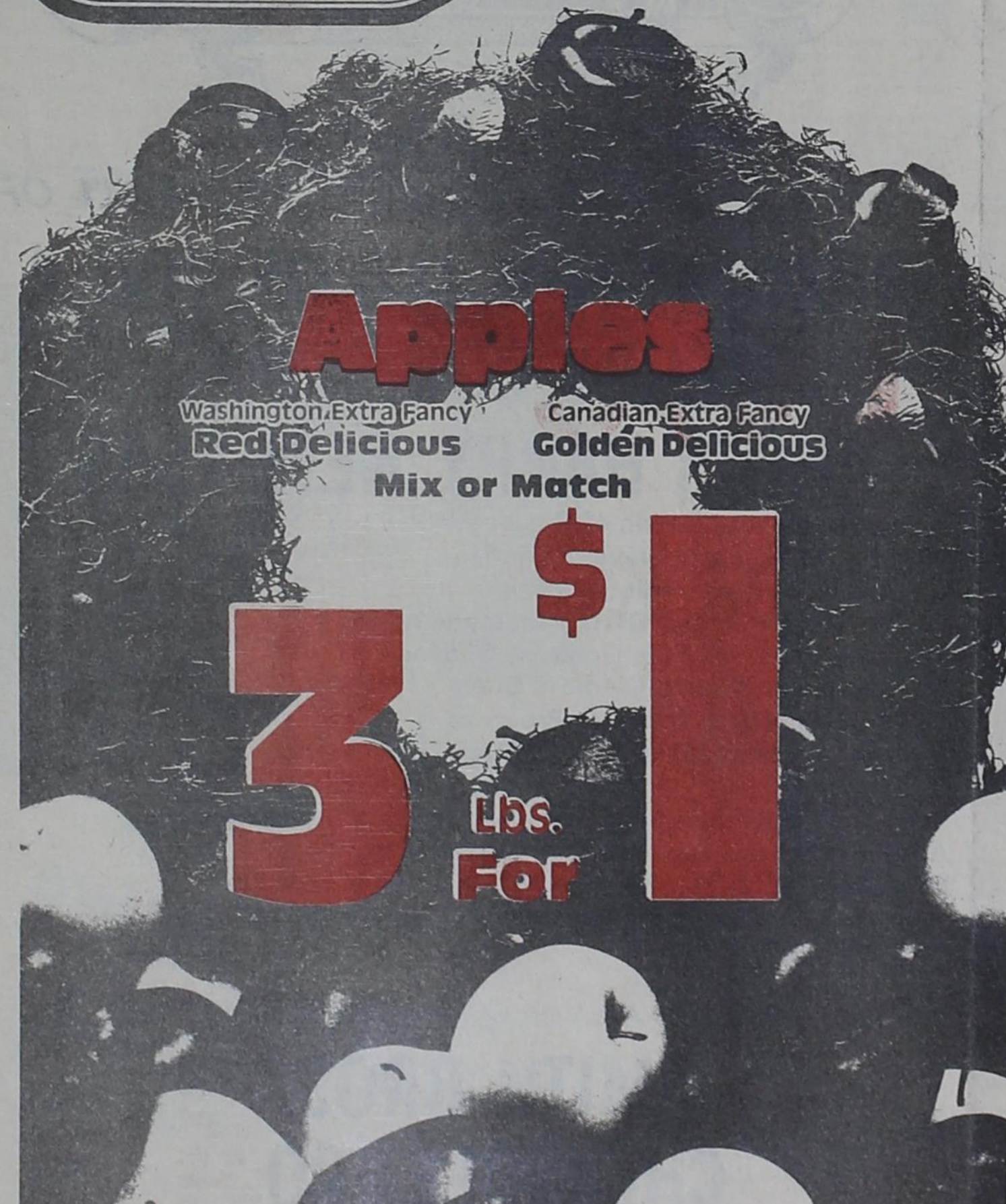


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