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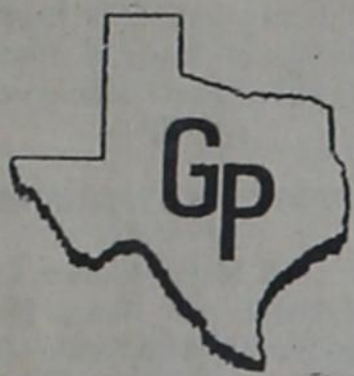
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GORMAN, EASTLAND COUNTY, TEXAS 76454

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Press Points
Joe Bennett, Publisher

First of all, I must apologize for getting my neck in a noose again by publishing an article in last weeks edition concerning the Jehovah Witness faith in an article in the paper. We do not ordinarily print anything of this nature in the Progress, but the article got by our eyes and was set up as it was sent in to be printed. We try real hard not to get into "politics or religion" in the columns of this newspaper, as it always gets us in a pickle and causes hurt feelings on one side or the other, or both. I assure you we will try to not let this happen in the future.

Well it seems that most of the farmers are about wound up in the peanut fields and have finished harvesting their crops. There are still some coming in, but the number of trailers at the drying points have sure thinned out. All in all, it was a very good year for peanuts in our area. Most of the dryland peanuts were exceptionally good this year as moisture fell in a lot of the area at the time when it was needed the most. We should all thank the Good Lord for the good crops this year.

The entire community seems to be talking about the upcoming benefit supper for Edna Joyce on Tuesday, Dec. 15 at the school cafeteria. The committees for the benefit will be serving hamburgers, barbecue sandwiches, beans and tea to folks wishing to donate to the fund which will help defray expenses incurred due to the weeks and weeks of hospitalization and rehabilitation. The only charge for the supper will be by donation only and a very good attendance is expected. Serving will begin at 5 p. m. and will continue until all folks are fed. More on this is included in another story on this page.

Received the following note recently:
Season's greetings to the Progress staff. I received the notice my subscription had expired. Enjoy the Progress very much. It takes me back in time when I grew up in the Gorman area from 1901 to 1925. I was four years old when we moved there. The school Lonzo Coffman and I went to was Hardshin and the Poyner children and the Gorman Schools. There was a Mrs. Rush that taught school in winter months and worked for farmers in summer. She had a young boy. I wonder if she was related to Anna Rush.

You will find check for subscription enclosed.
Mrs. Rosa Muncill Barron
523 Oak St., Colroado City 79512
Thanks for the renewal, Rosa. I know that must have been an interesting experience if you had to go to school with ole Lonzo and the Poyners. Maybe they will drop you a line or two since they know where you are located.

Don't forget the Second Friday night musical at the Fire Hall with music, fun, fellowship and food.

Have you noticed the beautiful Christmas decorations that adorn the streets of Gorman. It sure gives things a seasonal look for the holidays. There have been a few more added this year. Good job folks!

There are some very good basketball being played this season, and our teams are doing real good. Try to get out and attend some of the games.

The Gorman-Carbon Tournament is slated for Dec. 10-11-12. There will be some real great ball teams entered in this event.

We have more room this week for more news and pictures since the advertising has increased for the holiday season. Therefore, we can get in some of the pictures and articles that have had to be left out due to the lack of space. We try to get it all in, but sometimes there are too many articles for the available space we have.

EDNA JOYCE'S BENEFIT SUPPER SET FOR DECEMBER 15 AT 5

The civic clubs of Gorman and the city of Gorman will sponsor a benefit supper on Tuesday, December 15th in the school cafeteria. Serving will begin at 5 p. m.

Hamburgers, chopped barbecue sandwiches, beans and tea will be served. Price of the supper will be by donation only.

Edna Joyce Brinegar has been in Dallas Rehab Institute since October 15th, and will remain there for some time.

Funds from the supper will be used to defray expenses the family has incurred during the long hospital stay.

The Lions Club will be grilling the hamburgers and serving the barbecue sandwiches. The Lions will be fixing carry-out orders, and also they will have a delivery service for folks who wish to donate toward the supper and do not have transportation to come to the cafeteria.

Shirley Eaves (at Citizens State Bank) is lining up women to cook the beans. So if you wish to cook a pot of beans, please call her at 734-2254 and put your name on the list.

Everyone is urged to support this worthwhile effort.

SANTA COMING TO GORMAN SATURDAY DECEMBER 19



Kids have you got your lists made out? Have you been good? Well, Santa Claus is coming to Gorman on Saturday, December 19 at 2:00 p.m. He will arrive Downtown on the fire truck and will be at the Senior Citizens Center afterwards to visit with all of the kids. SAV-ON Foods has donated candy for Santa to hand out.

Parents make plans to bring your children out to this Annual event which is sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce.

GORMAN TRADIN DAY SET SATURDAY DECEMBER 19

Saturday, December 19 is Tradin Day in Gorman. Vendors may have free space for sidewalk sales. The Gorman Business Alliance will be serving those good Grilled Hamburgers again during the lunch time at the concession stand.

Rules Set For Christmas Decoration Contest

The Business Alliance sponsored Christmas Lighting and Decoration Contest will be judged on December 16 through the 17th. Deadline for entries will be December 15 at noon. Lights must be left on between 6 and 9 p. m. on the night of the judging.

Business houses and residential homes will be judged differently. There will be three place winners in each division.

FIVE PANTHERS NAMED TO 8A ALL DISTRICT TEAMS

There were five Gorman Panther football players named to the 8-A All-District teams for the season.

Don Rodgers was named as a linebacker on the first team and was also named as a runningback on the second team.

Scott Gressett was named to the first team as a defensive back. Ronson Childers, Tommy Curb and Scott Campbell were all named to the second team list.

Ronson was named as the center;

And remember to smile -- because God Loves You!

First place winners will receive a plaque, second and third place winners will receive ribbons.

The plaque for the business firm will be displayed in winner's place of business, and the plaque for the home winner will be placed in the city office and names of next year's winner will be added. This will be a continuous plaque with first place winner being added each year.

Judging will be on originality, lighting effect and beauty. Contestants may leave their entries with any member of the Business Alliance or mail it to Box 28, Gorman 76454.

CARD OF THANKS
We would like to say "Thank you" to everyone for the many acts of love and kindness shown us during the loss of our loved one, Jeffrey.

The flowers, cards, memorials, visits, food and prayers were greatly appreciated.

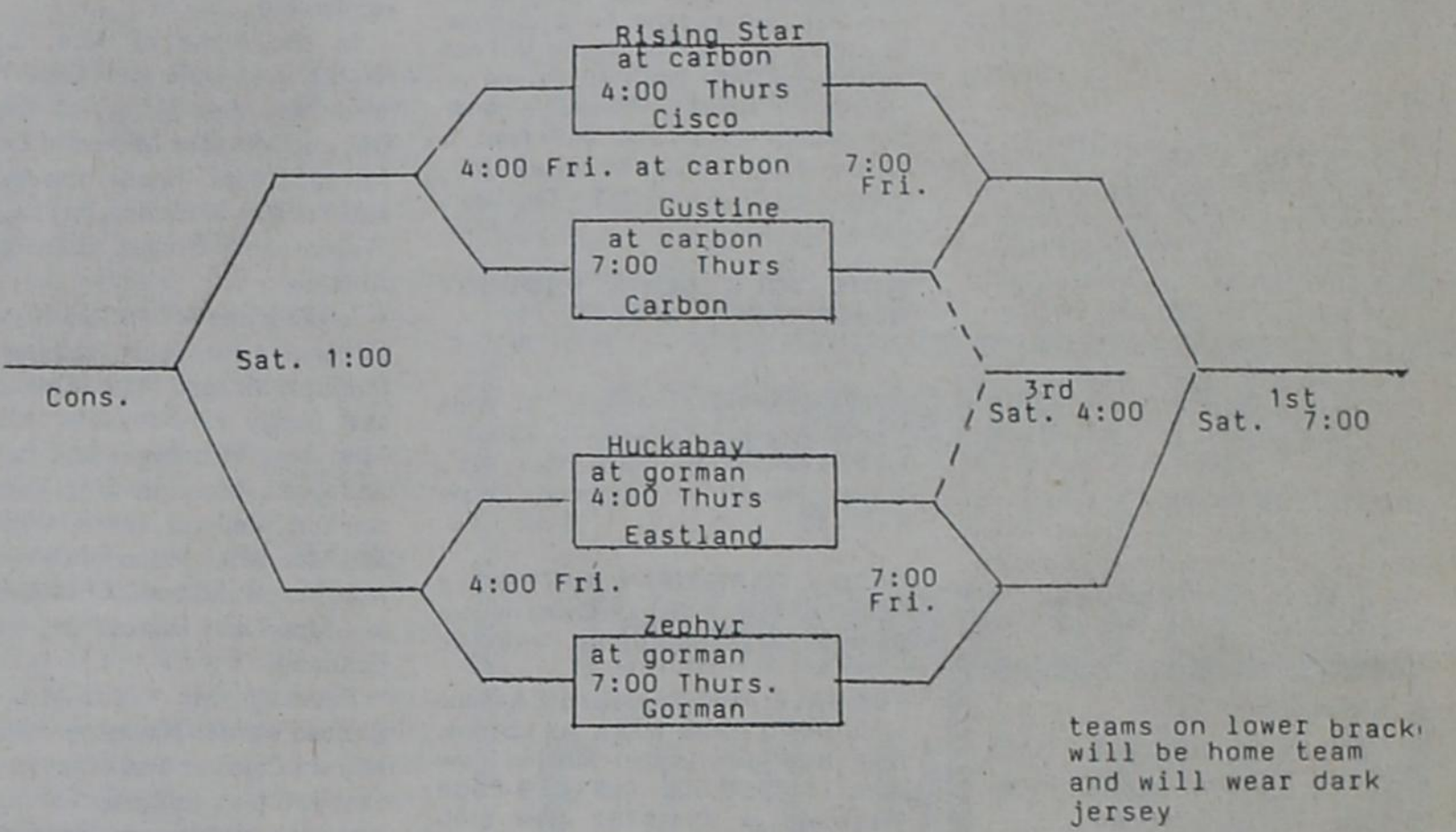
May God bless you all.
Troy, Cecilia Ann and Amanda Wilcoxson
Cecil and Christine Self
Jessie Fay and Denise Wilcoxson
Bertie Self and Otilla Hall

Tommy as a guard on offense; and Scott was named on the offense and defensive lists.

We congratulate these young men on their accomplishments.

Gorman-Carbon Tourney December 10-11-12

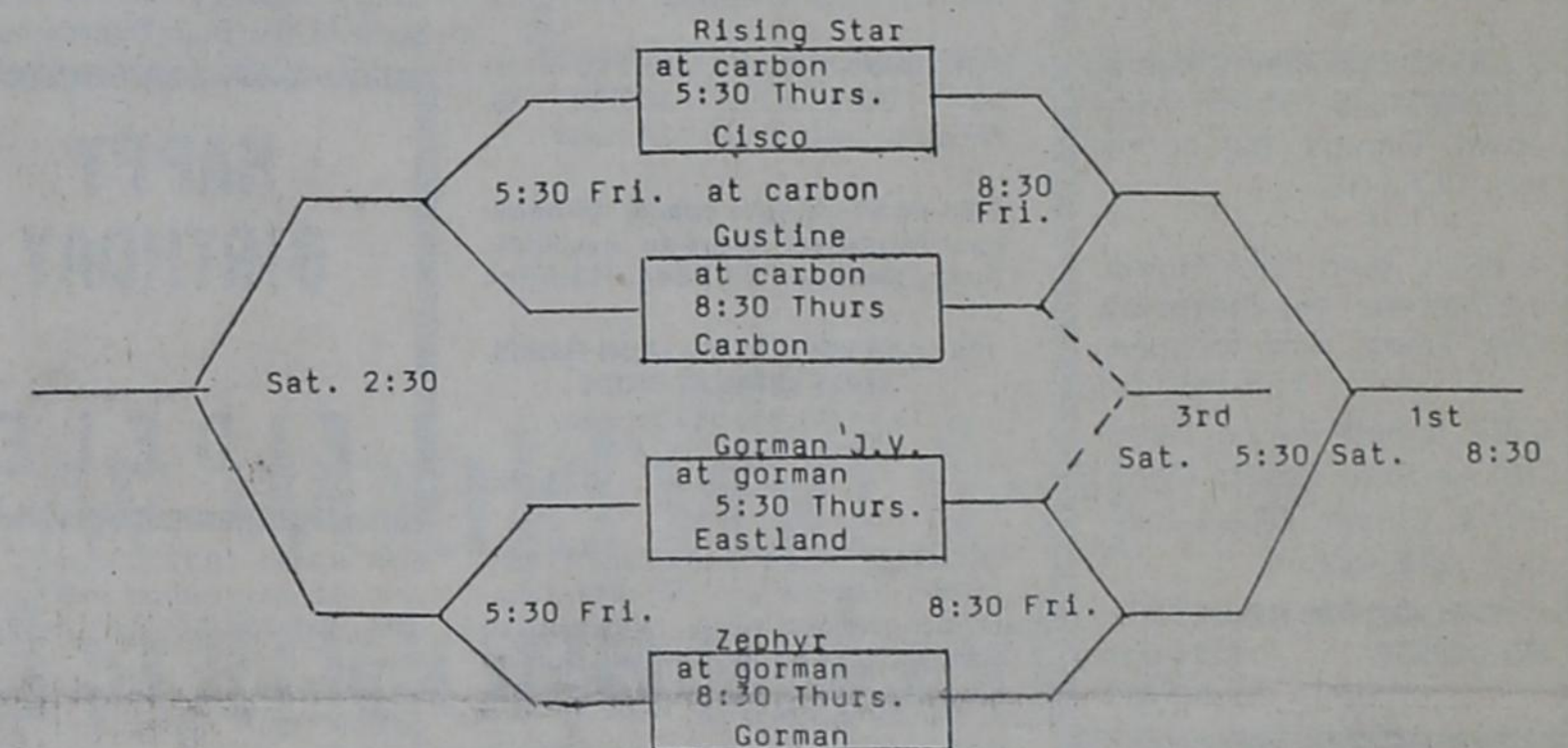
GIRLS



Upper part of bracket will play at Carbon

Lower part of bracket will play at Gorman

BOYS



Baptist Youth To Present Joyful Noise Program

The Joyful Noise, Youth choir of the First Baptist Church of Gorman, will present a program, "Greatest Gift of All" on Sunday at 7 p. m.

The program is under the direction of Martha Rainey and Eula Lee Mears.

The public is invited to attend.

—GP—
THANK YOU NOTE

Sincere thanks to friends and relatives for their Christian deeds you did during the illness and loss of our beloved one. Your prayers, visits, cards, flowers and memorials were a comfort. The food, both at home and at Fellowship Hall was delicious.

A special thanks to the De Leon ministers, A. C. Morris and Payne Hattox. To Gorman ministers T. A. Grice and Curtis Maness for their loyalty and devotion and to Bro. Maness's message of encouragement. The beautiful singing by the De Leon Church of Christ singers, which were inspiring. Also to the Desdemona and De Leon Churches of Christ. To the Sidney Baptist Church, Gorman First Baptist and Methodist Churches.

Thanks to the De Leon Ambulance Service for the loving care rendered by the nurses, doctors and entire staff.

Our gratitude is extended to Donnie Nowlin for the lovely casket cover that was used Saturday. Also to Gorman Higginbotham Funeral Home for the flower spray and Ray Daniels assistance and kind deeds.

May God bless each of you.
The Family of Vernon Files
—GP—

CARD OF THANKS
It is with heartfelt thanks to our friends and neighbors who shared our sorrow at the loss of our mother, Grace, for their prayers, cards, food, flowers and music.

To Bro. Ron for the comforting message, and our friends at Higginbotham Funeral Home for every act of thoughtfulness.

May God bless each and every one of you.

The Skiles Family
—GP—

KEEPING UP WITH FRIENDS
Visiting with Gladys Dennis last Saturday were her granddaughters, Mrs. Calvin Colvin of San Antonio and Mrs. Betty Gaston of Kansas City, Kans.



LARGE COYOTE — Lonnie Hampton killed this Coyote on his place 2 miles north of Rucker on Thursday morning, December 3. He killed the coyote while deer hunting. This is a very large coyote for this area.

ITEM OF INTEREST

NEED A RIDE? First Baptist Church Van runs at 9:30 a.m. for Sunday School and 5:45 p.m. for Sunday Evening Services. Call the church at 734-2420. Everyone welcome.

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

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.

The Gorman PTO will not meet at their regular scheduled day and time. The teachers need a few extra days in order to prepare their program for the Christmas or December meeting. Therefore, PTO will not meet December 16, 1987 at 3:30 p.m. but will meet December 21, 1987 at 1:30 p.m. All parents and grandparents are invited to attend.

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.

The Senior Citizens Christmas Dinner will be on Wednesday, December 16th. Make your reservations early, PLEASE.

The regular 2nd Friday night Musical will be held on December 11th at the Old Fire Hall beginning at 7:00 p.m. The concession stand will be open at 6:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to come join the fun and fellowship.

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5-7-FNC.

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FOR SALE: 27" Schwinn - 10 Speed Bike, \$65.00; Escort Radar Detector, \$65.00; Polaroid Spectrum Camera, \$50.00; IBM Selectric Typewriter, \$100.00; Realistic Base Station CB, \$45.00; Ruger Mini 14 Rifle with Scope, \$225.00; Pellet Rifle, \$20.00. Call 734-2620. 1-12-10 C.

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CARBON NEWS

DOROTHY JACKSON
Phone 639-2540

MORE HOLIDAY VISITORS

In the home of E. E. Allison were Mr. and Mrs. Alvie Allison and family of Arlington, and John Edward and Delores Trimble of Indianapolis, Ind.

In the home of Mrs. Crickett Walker and Dale and Tena Walker were Mrs. Lila Ussery of Weslaco, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mercer of Edcouch Mr. and Mrs. Sandy Ussery, Tori and Tristan of Covington, La., Kent Walker and Ginger Cain of San Antonio.

In the home of Mr. and Mrs. Obie Duncan were their children and families: Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Cates and family of Navasota, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Winninger and family of Arlington, Mr. and Mrs. Don Duncan and family of Yukon, Okla., Mr. and Mrs. Mike Moore of Olden, Beth Martin and children of Eastland, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Duncan and family of Eastland.

Recently Mr. and Mrs. Obie Duncan were in Navasota visiting the Marvin Cates and saw Navasota and Caldwell play football. The halftime activities were more interesting to the Duncans as their granddaughters were performing in the band and drill team. The Obie Duncans went on to Aransas Pass to fish. A special guest in the Obie Duncan home at

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FIDELLE

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FUR BUYER

will be in GORMAN at BROWN'S FEED STORE at 9:15 a.m. til 10:00 a.m. every TUESDAY. Buyer COWBOY BAKER, He pays CASH.

NOTICE

Trappers & Hunters
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Thanksgiving was F. F. Bender of Cisco.

Mrs. Meta Hornor of Brownwood visited the Edd Stumms over the weekend.

Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Dec. 10-11-12 Carbon High basketball teams will be in a tournament at Gorman. Part of the tournament will be played at Carbon Thursday and Friday nights due to HB 72. School Board meeting is Dec. 14 at 8 p. m.

I looked at the date as I started to write, suddenly I remembered where I was, when on that fatal Sunday morning, Dec. 7, 1941, America was forced into World War II. Do you remember where you were or what you were doing 46 years ago. This was to be the war to end all wars, but America has been involved in two others. Yet they were not called wars. We cannot listen to any news without hearing threats of war somewhere. We need peace on

earth.

Mother nature doesn't seem to know that Dec. is winter time. I'll take this spring like weather any day rather than the 10-20 degree weather that wintertime brings. I'm sure there is not a child or young person that would not like to see some of that "white stuff" falling from the sky and have a white Christmas. There are some of us adults who like to see a beautiful snowfall, but oh, what havoc it can cause for people who have to get out and drive.

Still a lot of flu in the community. Hope all are well in time to see "Santa". No one likes to be sick but it seems worse on holidays.

The big guns are still sounding and reports of good deer hunts are in all papers.

Each week I keep saying peanut harvest is drawing to a close, but as you drive around in the county, you still see machinery running with

trucks and trailers still coming into the dryer with tons and tons of "goobers". That is a good indication that farmers have made a good crop. The farmers did have a few bad years, so this year they seemed to be rewarded a little for their labor.

Only 18 more days till Christmas. As you are out shopping please take precaution: as you drive; as you put packages in your car, place them in the trunk; as you leave your home, leave it as though someone is at home. It's sad to hear of thieves breaking into homes and taking packages from under the decorated trees. It can and does happen, so please take all kinds of precautions so this will be a safe holiday season. —GP—

KEEPING UP WITH FRIENDS

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Currie of Stephenville and Nancy Hendricks visited Sunday with Pauline Dennis.

PRE-CHRISTMAS RED TAG SALE

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KOKOMO NEWS

ZELDA JORDAN

Phone 639-2289

Members of the Kokomo Extension Homemakers Club participating in the Eastland County Pecan Show at Eastland on Friday, Dec. 4, were Johnnie B. Griffith, Ava Rodgers, Berneice Rodgers, Jeanette Burrenson, Naoma Morrow, and Mary Frances Bishop. They worked in the concession stand from 10:30 a. m. until 12 noon.

In the Bake Show, Ava Rodgers placed second with her cookies; Berneice Rodgers, third place with her pecan pie, and Jeanette Burrenson, third with her candy.

Our congratulations to these ladies.

Visitors at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday morning were Annie Dunn of Colorado City, Kristal Brown of Carbon, Philip, Donna, Robert and Sarah Lewis of Desdemona, Doug, Carol and Gregg Adkins of Dallas. Carol Adkins rendered the special music.

The Christmas program at the Kokomo Baptist Church will be on Wednesday night, Dec. 16 at 7 p. m. There will be a fellowship following the program. Visitors are welcome.

Bro. Jim Andrews of Eastland preached at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday night. Bro. Clarence Wilson, Pastor, was ill with a cold virus.

Recent visitors with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Clearman were Jackie, Dianne and Charlie Morgan of Friona, Jessie McCafferty of Amarillo, Karley Clearman of Azle, O. C. and Belle

Johnson and Bart and Nancy Baxter of Fort Worth.

We were very sorry to hear that the new mobile home of Mr. and Mrs. James Webb and family of Stephenville had burned on Thanksgiving night. They had been in the home only about a week. They believe the fire started from faulty wiring in the cook stove.

James, the son of Oren and Norma Webb, grew up in Kokomo.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Jordan spent the weekend in Abilene with Mr. and Mrs. Roddy Miles, Joe and Sheri. Mrs. Glenn Carter, Debbie and Brent of Hodges, Robert and Diane Miles and J. J. Taylor also visited in the Miles home.

Mrs. Dora Garrett has returned home from San Angelo where she underwent hip replacement surgery in St. John's Hospital and then recuperated at the home of her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Hallmark. She is happy to be home and would like her friends to come for a visit.

—GP—

LETTER TO SANTA

Dear Santa;

How have you been? I have been good this year. This is what I want for Christmas. I will leave you some cookies and milk and a surprise.

I want Red Splintboots, saddle blanket, swing set, deluxe shipping boots, frosted pants (size 10 - brand Tantrum, straight leg blue jean pants (size 10 Lee brand), sleeveless

CANTERBURY VILLA OF GORMAN

We will have two parties in December. At 2:30 p. m. Sunday, Dec. 20 we will have the residents annual Christmas party. The First Methodist Church will bring our entertainment. Watch out for Old Santa Claus!

The December birthday party will be at 2 p. m. December 31 on Thursday. Jeny and Orvil Newcomb and Georgie Welch of De Leon and the Kokomo Extension Homemakers Club will come and help. Those having birthdays in December are Mary Harrell, Veno Hale, Mary Emerson and Garnet Adams.

Friends and relatives are invited to come and take part or just be a happy guest.

Agatha Nance and granddaughter, Laura Nance of Desdemona visited Mary Harrell.

The Thursday night country and western musical was real good. Those coming were Lloyd and Bobbie Glasson, Paul and Imogene Norris, Babe Norris and Truitt Norris of Carbon, Cleo Duncan of Eastland, Marshall and Dottie Reeves of Dublin, Gabe Wright, Carroll and Leta Hogan, Leland Warren, Anna Rush, Hershell Cordell, Archie and Georgie Faye Skaggs, Nancy Hendricks, Varona Taylor, Velma Bennett and Opal Mauney.

We sure appreciate the nice blue and white bibs the Homemakers Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church of Gorman made and sweaters with long sleeve shirts to go with them, wide turquoise belt, socks, and a cheerleader's suit with socks to match. I want MLS on the front from the top going down, size 10. My school colors are red, white and blue.

Your friend,

Marla Smith

gave to us.

We appreciate our church members coming on Sunday. At 2:30 p. m. those from the New Hope Baptist Church were Rev. Richard Watson, Connie and Rachel Watson, Marie Cook and one visitor, Bro. Joe O'Neal.

At 4 p. m. those from the Gorman Church of Christ were Bro. T. A. Grice, Lorene Foster, Dora Faye Brewer, Fred and Joy Roger, Stella Scott, Billy, Janda and Tracey Taylor, Floydene Gilbert, Gregg, Kathy, Jeannie, Samantha and Tana Goode, Zena Simpson, Robert, Carolyn, Cindy and David Moore and a guest, Johnny Warren of Eastland.

On Monday Nancy Hendricks came and helped us with bingo. Winners were game 1 - Lonzo Coffman; Game 2 - Veno Hale; game 3 - Stella Swanner. and blackout winner was Lonzo Coffman.

Those visiting with Carroll and Leta Hogan were Harold, Bea, Blessing and Jacob Skkade of Albany, Bobby, Elaine, Jeremy, Joshua and Melinda Eaves, Bubba, Trey, Tasha and Meranda Hogan, Dale, Debbie, Jason and Jamie Hogan of Abilene.

Cynthia Earles spent Thanksgiving with Vardie and Faye Huff and visited with Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Huff and baby of Eastland.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley Rawls went out to their farm home and spent Thanksgiving and enjoyed a bountiful meal with their children, Lowell Rawls, Mrs. Jimmie Cooper of Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Cooper and Joy of Monahans, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Rawls of Austin, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wyatt of Midland, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Locke, Dana and daughter and James of Burleson and Mrs.

Dorothy Locke of De Leon.

Gertie Leeper enjoyed her guests Thanksgiving. They were Norma Tedford, Ruby Johnston and Tracey of Fort Worth, Linda Blande of Sipe Springs, Lois Cates, Morgan, Wayne Carrigan, Rhonda Burney, Sherrell Ann Lucky, Ilene Lucky, Nellie Lucky.

Lester Hamilton of Mineral Wells visited Dock Hamilton.

Those visiting Berta Poynor were Tiny Frasier of De Leon, Richard Kinser of Eastland, Gerald Burleson of Desdemona, Nellie Lucky, Velma Bennett and Olga Kinser.

Billy and Ann Haynes of Duster visited Bernice Haynes.

Truitt Coffman and Richard Kinser of Eastland visited Lonzo Coffman.

Iola Johnson spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Dub Reynolds of Carbon.

The regular Tuesday afternoon singing was real good and we appreciated those coming. They were R. Lee McDaniels and Billie Stacy of Carbon, Dorothy Roberts of Desdemona, Velma Bennett, Willo Rice, Anna Rush, Melba Frasier, Opal Mauney, Jr. Fairbetter, Nancy

Hendricks, Estelle Dickey and Joe O'Neal.

Everyone sure enjoyed the spelling bee on Tuesday morning and we talked about old times.

On Wednesday Hazel Smith and Gladys Chambliss came and helped with bingo. Winners were Iola Johnson, Veno Hale, Berta Poynor, and Cynthia Earles. We appreciated Irene West sending soap for prizes.

Wednesday afternoon Bro. Curtis Maness and Bro. T. A. Grice brought our Bible study.

Alice Burleonn spent Saturday with her daughter, Paul and Imogene Norris of Carbon. Others present were Paula, Larry, Lance, Lane and Lenny Morrow of Plains, Ronnie, Gena, Lacy and Cory Pack of Carbon, James, Jo, Jana and Jodi of Kokomo, Randy, Lisa, T. J., Rebecca and Travis Lewis of Stephenville, and J. L. and Naoma Morrow of Kokomo.

We are sorry to report Eulon Perry is a patient in the De Leon Hospital.

We enjoyed bingo Thursday at 1:30 p. m. Winners were Cynthia Earles, Wilma Rawls, Charlotte O'Neal and Ethyl Harrell. We appreciate the gifts OllaRollins gave us.

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SCHOOL HILL NEWS

By Mrs. Oma Lee Ridell
Phone 758-2537

We're sorry to report that Ralph Elston, 72, died Sunday at the Dublin Hospital. Services were held at 3:30 p. m. Tuesday at the Stephenville Funeral Home Chapel with burial in the School Hill Cemetery.

Born in Snyder, he was a longtime resident of Erath County, and was a rancher, stock farmer and a Baptist. Patsy Moon spent Tuesday in Eastland visiting with her daughter and family, Becky, Jackson and Sara Boen.

Tim Goetz and Leslie Riddell spent the holidays in Iowa Park with Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Goetz and Jim.

William enjoyed a fine barbecue dinner with the Erath County employees on Wednesday.

My niece and her husband, Nancy and Gene Davis of Atlanta, Georgia, William, Leslie and I, Tim Goetz, Niki and Will Grimshaw, Tena, Jimmy and Karen Dennington all enjoyed dinner on Saturday with Jane, Tommy, Luke, Kate and Jake Musick.

Patsy Moon has been visiting with Aline Elston while the children were staying with Ralph Elston before his death.

Nancy and Gene Davis of Atlanta, Ga. visited awhile on Sunday night with Dess, S. L. and J. Lee Outlaw.

A friend of mine prides herself on looking younger than she is. When we met a gray haired man her age, she said, "I knew him in high school. He use to be my age."

She's so moral she won't even eat eggs over easy.

When she got new glasses I asked her how she liked them. She said, "Oh! they're okay, but everything is sharper than it really is."

She's so wild that when she goes to confession, at least five priests crowd into the confessional booth and sometimes applaud.

She put in her application once for a job. When asked about her marital status, she said, "Not Speaking."

WEEK OF DEC. 10

We were so saddened to learn of the death on Sunday afternoon of Ralph Elston. Ralph was a dear friend and will be sorely missed by everyone who knew him. His family have our deepest sympathy.

Tammy Merriman and children of Stephenville visited one day this week with her parents, J. C. and Patsy Moon.

Junior and Wilma Huffman of Euless were here Tuesday for the funeral of Ralph Elston. They visited with Nona Huffman in the nursing home while here.

Luke Musick of Stephenville spent a couple of nights this week with me.

Tommy Henslee has been in the hospital in Fort Worth. Hope you're feeling better, Tommy.

We have the dumbest neighbor. He's so dumb that he thought a bar stool was something Davy Crockett stepped in.

He wrote the IRS as follows: Gentlemen - I haven't been able to sleep at night because I cheated on last year's income tax. Here's a check for \$1,000. If I find I still can't sleep, I'll send the balance.

He said he didn't marry his wife because her father left her a million dollars. He'd have married her no matter who left her a million.

He's so stupid we caught him snorting nutri-sweet the other day. He said he thought it was diet COKE.

He's so dumb, he read in the

DESDEMONA NEWS

VONNIE GUTHERY
Phone 758-2665

Bro. R. D. Philley of Comanche was the guest speaker last Sunday at the First Baptist Church in Desdemona. His wife, Charlene, attended also.

Mrs. Myrtle Moore would enjoy hearing from her friends and neighbors. Her address is: c/o Sweetbriar Rest Home, 1000 McKinley St., Benbrook, Texas 76126.

Bernard and Ann Keith visited her brother, Johnny and Sandy Cameron in Big Spring, her sister, Vella Court and their grandchildren, David and Robyn Griffith in Odessa, over the past weekend.

The new roof is almost completed on the east wing of the Desdemona Community Center. This is a project that all of us are proud of. Now the repair work can begin inside on fixing up some of the rooms.

Colby Auvenshine, infant son of Jeff and Candice Auvenshine, was buried last week in Desdemona. Grandparents are Charlie and Paula Fonville of Desdemona and Jerry and Linda Auvenshine of De Leon.

Our sympathy goes out to the family.

Our thought for today - If you kept every New Year's resolution you made last year, you'd now be skinny, healthy and extremely boring.

-GP-

WOLFENBARGER REUNION HELD ON THANKSGIVING DAY

The Lord has greatly blessed us this year with another Wolfenbarger reunion Thanksgiving Day at the Girman Fire Hall.

Velma Clement asked the blessing and we all enjoyed delicious food and a wonderful fellowship.

Those present were Bonnie and Willie Wolfenbarger, Dalton, Sue and Trina Keese, Shirley, Dwayne, Harvey and Tammy Bryan, Efran Pacheco, Boose Thomas, Tommy, Mildred, Rodney, Melba, Shaylor, Shannon, Kinnard, Adora, Krissy and Dawn Roberts, Gearldene, Alton and Quintin Wright, all of Gorman, Keri Wright of Fort Worth, June and Leon Biffle of Rule, Velma Clement of Cisco, Doyle and Fern Wolfenbarger of Sundown, Dale Grisham, Tammy Eugene, Misty, Genia and Michael Battenfield of De Leon, Leslie and Donna Grace of Stephenville, Melinda, Chuck and Holly Abbe of Eastland, Patsy, Jerry, Lana, Kyle and Jerry Kelso, Missy Holeman, Angela Buffington and Gary Duncan of Irving, Darrol, Dana, Mack and Mike Wilson of Roanok, Derroll, Marva Wolfenbarger, Alisha and Tamarah Newman of Artesia, N. M.

We are looking forward to more blessings from the Lord this coming year.

Baze Family Enjoy Early Christmas Lunch

The children, grandchildren and great grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. Graydon Baze gathered at the Baze home for an early Christmas lunch

paper, "Man wanted for bank robbery." He went in and applied for the job.

GORMAN ISD HONOR ROLL

FIRST GRADE
A Honor Roll
Jeremy Eaves, Joshua Eaves, Samantha Goode, Jodi Norris, Richard Nowlain, Jeremy Orsagh, Justin Patel, Ruth Reeves, David Rone, Robert Seaton and Rachel Smith.

A-B Honor Roll
Michaelyn Eaves, Freddy Escalante, Keith Grumbles, Ashley Laminack, Francisco Madena, Angela Michael, Jason Perez, Diana Richardson, Margarito Sanchez, Brian Simpson, Belinda Snider, Tiffany Troutman, and Leslie Wood.

SECOND GRADE
A Honor Roll
Jeremy Bryan, Justin Burlison, Joy Evans, Kaycee Gilmore, Janice Glover, Mindy Laminack, Sarah Reeves, Anette Snell and Samantha Stephens.

A-B Honor Roll
Reece Clark, Lance Curb, Jerry Flores, Aaron Jack Grice, Stephen Gryder, Shannon Mauney and Andrew Tarver.

THIRD GRADE
A Honor Roll
Scott Scitern, Marla Smith, Allison Treadway and Chasta Underwood.

A-B Honor Roll
Jennifer Carroll, Sabrina Glasson, Jennifer Goode, Marlana Guthery, Meranda Johnson, Luke Leiker, Eric Mears, George Nowlin, Keri Scitern Mason Simmons and Jace Underwood.

FOURTH GRADE
A Honor Roll
Loren Blanchard, Nic Burlison, Kim Campbell, Lacy Pack and Justin Snider.

A-B Honor Roll
Tom Bynum, Toni Evans, Anthony Patel, Jason Rich Jennifer Scitern, Deanna Torres, Jennifer Torres, Jason Warren and Frankie Zarate.

FIFTH GRADE
A Honor Roll
Don Mauney, Rachel Reeves and Linda Swanner.

A-B Honor Roll
Melissa Clark, Juan de la Torre, Jennifer Eaves, Kirk Ervin, Diana Glover, Melissa Jobe, Amparo Madera, Lori Reynolds and Jeremy Sanders.

SIXTH GRADE
A Honor Roll
John Mart Stephens.

A-B Honor Roll
Shane Caraway, Noah Landa, Marissa Grumbles, Connie Rone and Gloria Madera.

SEVENTH GRADE
A Honor Roll
Angela Treadway
A-B Honor Roll
Neely Carter, Rajee Patel, Jill Rainey, Kris Scitern and Kathy White.

EIGHTH GRADE
A Honor Roll
Cesar Escalante, Eli Evans and Steve Taylor.

A-B Honor Roll
Shawnda Burgess, Andy Cariker, Genaro Madera, Marty McCormick, Jana Norris, Cory Pack, Renee

and visiting on December 6th.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Don Underwood, Mr. and Mrs. Lyndall Underwood, Jady and Jody of Eastland, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Baze, Melissa, Jared and Allison of Eula, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Black, Jamie and D'Ann and Bill and Eric Baze of Cleburne, Mike, Brent and Tammy Foster, Jason and Cody of Gorman, Mr. and Mrs. Greg Underwood of Clifton and Daryl Underwood of Stephenville.

It was a fun get-together for everyone.

Rainey, Sylvia Ramirez, and Lewis Reynolds.

NINTH GRADE
A Honor Roll

None
A-B Honor Roll
Sharla Clark and Stephen Scitern.

TENTH GRADE
A Honor Roll

April Daniels
A-B Honor Roll
Richard Brown, Gary Browning,

John Carter, Chuck Fonville, Joe Foster, Christi Frasier, Brandon Gilmore, Brian Lasater, Martha Ramirez, Lance Sharp, Justin Warren, Nikki Warren and Oscar Herrera.

ELEVENTH GRADE
A Honor Roll

None
A-B Honor Roll
Ronson Childers, Kevin Love,

Johnny Osborne, Craig Rainey, Amy Scitern, Kim Sharp and Ronnie

Wilcoxon.

TWELFTH GRADE
A Honor Roll

Scott Campbell, Tommy Curb, Scott Gressett and Teresa Taylor.

A-B Honor Roll
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Kristy Barnett Graduates From Barbizon School of Modeling with High Honors

Kristy Barnett, daughter of Gene and Johnnie Barnett, graduated from the Barbizon School of Modeling on October 4, 1987. The 4 month program included training in runway, tea-room, and commercial photography modeling. The course included classes on Make-up application, Skin Care, Hair Care, Nail Care, Public Speaking, Wardrobe Coordinate and Accessorizing. Kristy was named Outstanding Model from the graduating class of 60 models. Upon graduation, Kristy joined the Barbizon Modeling Agency and The Force Modeling Agency in Dallas.



The Barbizon School of Modeling has recently asked Kristy to join their staff as a part-time instructor. She has accepted and expects to begin instructor training this month.

Kristy continues to work as a full-time experienced Tax Accountant at Arthur Anderson and Company in Dallas.

Kristy is a 1981 graduate of Gorman High School and attained a Masters Degree in Accounting from Texas A&M University.

James Allan Brown and Freda Lejean Burns Pledge Vows

James Allan Brown and Freda Lejean Burns were united in marriage Tuesday, Dec. 1, 1987 at the home of Mrs. Johnnie (Louise) Burns, grandmother of the bride.

The Rev. Ken Roberts of Gorman performed the double ring ceremony.

Freda is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Burns of Route 1, De Leon. James is the son of Hubert J. Brown of Arizona and Dolores Brown of Gorman.

Given in marriage by her parents, Freda's dress was a full-length white satin gown with an overblouse of white lace, a sheer veil with tiny blue bows attached. Her bridal bouquet was of white and blue roses.

Sherry Counts of Fort Worth, sister of the bride, was maid of honor.

James wore a blue suit, soft blue shirt with blue silver tie. Benny Wilson of Gorman was best man.

The reception was hosted by family and friends of the bride. A three tiered wedding cake of white with red roses decorated the center of the table. An assortment of nuts and snacks were served.

The bride and groom shared in the traditional cake cutting and also toasted their marriage with champagne.

The will reside at their home on Route 1, De Leon.

HISTORY BOOK COVER AND DESIGN CONTEST SLATED JANUARY 1

A free book will be given to the winner of the title and cover design contest for Eastland County's forthcoming history book.

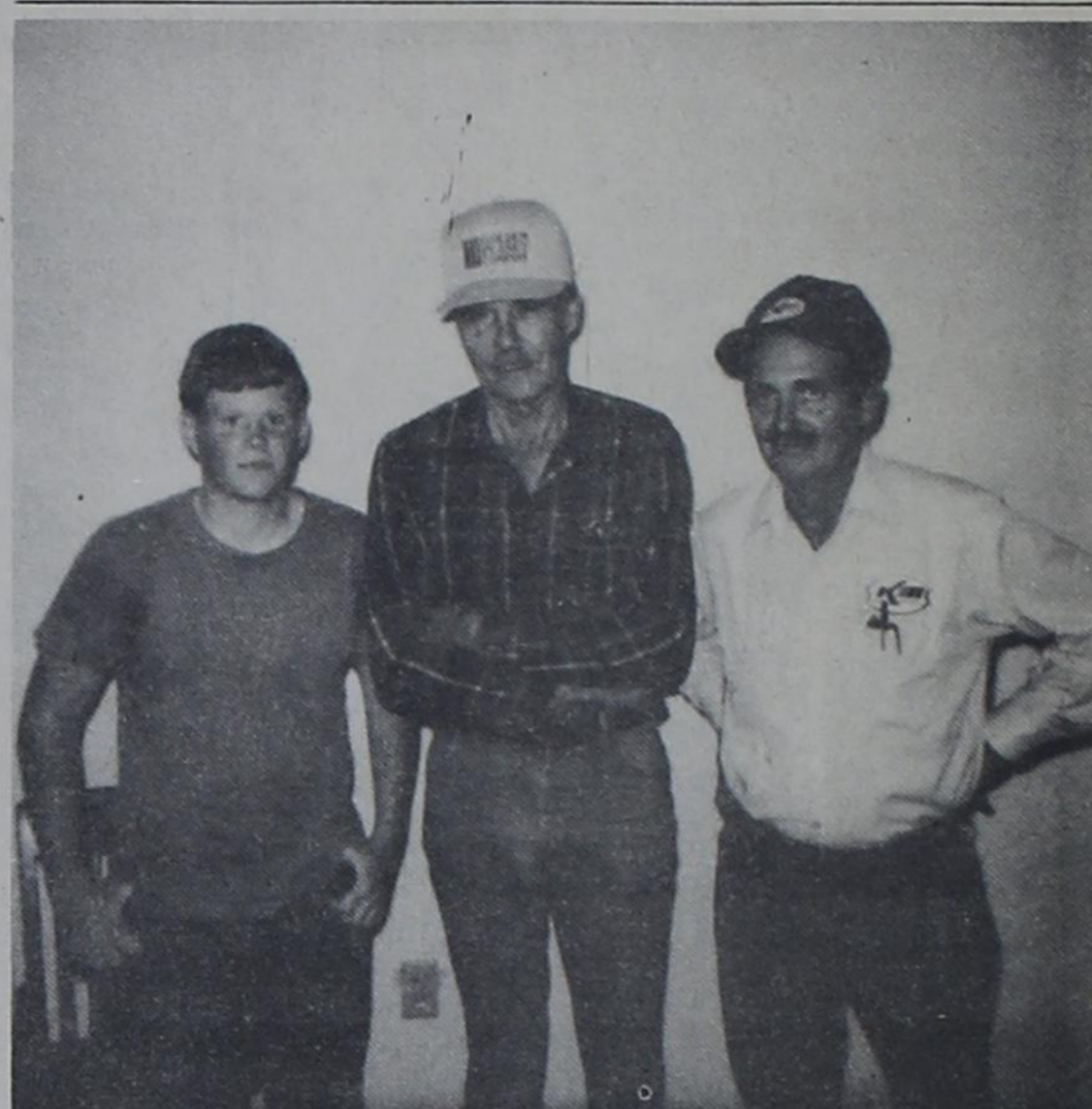
The book committee has decided that the contest will be both a cover design and title contest together. In other words, the title of the book can be incorporated with the cover design instead of having contests for both the cover design and the book title.

The deadline for entries is January 1, 1988. They should be mailed to Eastland County History Book, P. O. Box 856, Eastland 76448.

Even though the book will not be published by Christmas, gift certificates are available to be given for Christmas. The price of the book is \$52.50 plus \$3.28 sales tax. The book may be paid for through a payment plan: \$20 down and three monthly payments of \$13 each.

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WINNER OF GAS GIVEAWAY — Gary Browning, left is shown with Arlton Smith (center) and Johnny Smith of Smith's KM Station, who donated to the 4-H and FFA Booster Club giveaway held recently.

NOTE OF APPRECIATION

We would like to express our thanks to Rev. Ken Roberts, city councilman of Gorman, who was kind enough to drive 3 miles of terrible unpaved roads to unite Freda and Jim Brown in marriage on December 1 at the home of Louise Burns.

Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Burns —GP—

NOTE OF THANKS

The Senior Class of '88 wishes to thank all of the people who donated their old newspapers. Your thoughtfulness was deeply appreciated.

However, we no longer accept old newspapers.

Thanks again,

Seniors of '88

—GP—

LOOK WHO'S NEW! IT'S A GIRL!

Mr. and Mrs. Riley Curb wish to announce the arrival of their daughter, Amaris Danae, born at 12:39 p. m. Wednesday, December 2, 1987 in the De Leon Hospital. She weighed nine pounds and thirteen ounces and measured 21 inches in length.

She was welcomed by her brothers, Lance and Timothy, paternal grandparents, Dale and Bess Curb, great-grandmother, Mrs. Annie Curb of Gorman and Mrs. Clyde Frost of De Leon, maternal grandparents, David and Christian Revels of San Diego, Calif., Steve and Julia Belgay of Sunnyvale, Calif., maternal great-grandparents, Mary Crenshaw of Korgan and Ardith and Arlene Pittman of Gorman.

Amaris Danae was born on her mothers' birthday and was the first girl born in Riley's family in 54 years.

Defensive Driving Course Slated December 15-16

As a service to the community, Cisco Junior College will offer a Defensive Driving Course December 15 and 16 from 6-10 p. m. The course will meet in room 3 of Schaefer Hall.

Fee for the course is \$20. Enrollment fees MUST be paid no later than 3 p. m. on December 15. No late registration fees will be accepted. Students must attend both nights of class.

For more information contact Charlotte Speegle at 442-2567, extension 115.

Gift Certificates Available For Eastland County History Book

Approximately 1800 family histories have been submitted for Eastland County's u-coming history book. Based on this number of family stories, it is estimated that the book will contain 700 to 800 pages.

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You can have the book personalized by stamping you name in gold foil on the cover. This costs \$5 per line, 21 characters per line.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY FLOSSIE — The officials and employees at Southwestern Peanut Growers' Association recently honored Flossie Underwood on her (?) birthday. It was a fun occasion. (We are sorry for the delay in printing this picture).



VOTING DELEGATES — Delegates representing Eastland County Farm Bureau at the 54th Annual Texas Farm Bureau convention in Lubbock on November 29 thru December 2 included front row (left to right): Anita Walton, Dorothy McWhorter, Eloise Williams and second row (left to right): Bill Walton, Preston McWhorter, Joe Frank McCollum, and Leo Williams.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

This is a letter sent out to all representatives, congressmen, senators, the heads of the peanut program, the Governor of Texas and the President of the United States. I've enclosed some names, addresses and phone numbers of the people we need to contact. I asked our ASCS manager why the farmers in Eastland County were not called in and helped to figure the amount of acres or at least told about the new requirements like other surrounding ASCS offices. He told me it was probably because they were so short handed. Over 70 percent of the farmers in Eastland County did not qualify to transfer pounds and were not aware until they went to transfer that they did not qualify. It would seem to me that fault lies within our ASCS Office for not making their farmers aware. We are penalized for planting too many and now we are penalized for not planting enough. Please take the time to write or call these officials. We need to get off the stick and get something done.

I'm writing in regards to the transfer of excess quota pounds on peanut allotment from one farm to another. My husband (Bobby D. Carlton) and myself farm close to three hundred acres of peanuts in Eastland County, Texas.

Four tracts of land that we work are dry land. The quota pounds for these tracts were figured during a period of years that Eastland County was stricken with poor rain and low yields. Dry land peanuts took a hard hit. This year we have the chance to catch up with the bank due to good rains during the growing season. Now we are told too late to do anything about it that more laws have been added to restrict the movement of quota pounds from one farm to another.

We have a tract of irrigated land that has some excess quota pounds. We transferred poundage last year and some the years prior. We planted approximately the same amount of acres this year as we have in the past. We planted 95.7 acres and had them certified on our irrigated acreage as usual. Last year we were allowed to transfer poundage without any problems and without a word that things had changed for next year. We were not made aware that we would have to plant additional acreage to be allowed to transfer.

We were not told until Thursday, October 29, 1987, when I contacted the ASCS Office in our county to have them prepare the paper work for transfer. They told me that they would do some figuring and would call me back. They called back in about thirty minutes and told me that we were short 1.7 tenths of an acre to be able to transfer. We are being penalized for being short 1 and 7/10 of an acre. Rudy Pack with the ASCS Office also stated that no information about the requirements was mailed out through their office. He also agreed that he felt it was not correct the way it was handled. But, that it was out of his hands.

We do not feel we are being treated justly for our hard work. Please, we need your help right now. We cannot afford to wait until next year. We are talking about five to eight thousand dollars being lost because we cannot touch our excess pounds on our irrigated tract.

Please contact me: Cindy Carlton, Rt. 1, Box 156, Eastland, Texas 76448. Home 639-2291, Work 629-8383 or 629-8271.

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County EH Clubs Enjoy Christmas Party

The Eastland County Extension Homemakers Clubs enjoyed their annual Christmas Party on Wednesday, Dec. 2nd at the Eastland Woman's Club.

Mrs. Wynelle Brown welcomed everyone and asked Mrs. Mary Frances Bishop to introduce the "Fine Arts Ensemble". They are Mrs. Nancy Frost of Eastland, violin; Mrs. Jo Hix of Abilene, viola; Mrs. Frances Powell of Abilene, cello; Mrs. Lara Lynn of Abilene, piano.

They presented a beautiful program of Christmas music and songs, asking the group to join in song.

At 12 noon everyone enjoyed a bountiful Christmas luncheon of turkey and all the trimmings. Mrs. Johnny B. Griffith asked the blessing.

At 1 p. m. County Extension Agent Mrs. Janet Thomas presented the 1987 awards.

Mrs. Helen Phillips of Morton Valley EH Club was named Club Woman of the Year. Olden EH Club was named outstanding club. Morton Valley EH Club won the best attendance award. Kokomo EH Club received the "Most Publicity Award" and Olden got the "Most New Members Award."

Other club women of the year were Mrs. Arleta Shirey of Pleasant Hill EH Club, Mrs. Hazel Barron of Olden EH Club, Mrs. Frances Bishop of Kokomo EH Club and Mrs. M. D. Bailey of Lake Cisco EH Club, who is very active at 97.

Mrs. Jo Hubbard of Rising Star presented a very educational and outstanding program, "Country Christmas Ideas." She had a large assortment of homemade gifts for everyone to examine and enjoy.

Over 80 people attended including Kokomo EH members Jeanette Burreson, Bernice Rodgers, Velma Bennett, Naoma Morrow, Johnny B. Griffith, Wynelle Brown, Nancy Hendricks, Frances Bishop and Vynelle Hodges and guest, Billie Stacy. Nancy Hendricks, Sec'y.
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CANCER SOCIETY MEETING HELD IN EASTLAND NOV. 30

The American Cancer Society, Eastland Unit, met at K-Bobs Nov. 30th for the December meeting. Dale Squires, president, opened the meeting by asking Roy Gevara to lead in prayer.

Dale reviewed the Standard of Certificate and it was voted to abide by it (it is our guidelines). Letty Craddock read the minutes. Danelda Gevara gave the treasurer's report. \$55 was given in memorials. Any cancer patients needing service or any Rehab materials call Loretta White at 629-8626. Under public education information 933 adults and 584 children have been given information about cancer, through films and leaflets.

Danelda Gevara is crusade chairperson for Eastland County and people are volunteering. Have you lost a member of your family or a good friend because of cancer? If you have not you are most fortunate. If

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GLASGOW DISCUSSES HB595 AND HB908

During the Regular Session of the 70th Legislature, SB 595 and HB 908 were enacted concerning private commercial carriers. SB 595 requires all private commercial carriers (motor vehicles) as defined by the Railroad Commission of Texas to be registered with the Railroad Commission. HB 908 requires all private commercial carriers to file proof of insurance with the Commission.

There has been a great deal of confusion as to the implementation of these bills, and I would like to take this opportunity to discuss them with the people of my Senatorial District 22.

In August, the Railroad Commission adopted a rule defining a commercial vehicle under SB 595 as a vehicle weighing over 10,000 pounds used in furtherance of a commercial enterprise. This definition considers the trailers or towed vehicle in calculating the weight of the vehicle. At the same time, the Commission adopted a rule pursuant to HB 908 which set minimum liability insurance levels for these vehicles at that same level required of for-hire motor carriers, I.E. \$500,000 combined single limit coverage.

Subsequently, the Railroad Commission published a rule change in the Texas Register that would exempt from the definition of a commercial vehicle, vehicles operated by or on behalf of farmers and ranchers in the conduct of their farm or ranch operations. Additionally, the Commission also published a rule that would lower the minimum insurance levels to that required by the Safety-Responsibility Act for vehicles having three axles or less or weighing under 26,000 pounds. Only vehicles larger than that or having more than three axles would be subject to the \$500,000 insurance.

The Railroad Commission, however, has neither proposed nor adopted regulations regarding safety to be applied to group other than for-hire motor carriers.

The Texas Dept. of Public Safety has proposed regulations pursuant to HB 908 that are similar to those of the United States Dept. of Transportation to be applied to for-hire and private motor carriers alike. These regulations require that commercial vehicle operators observe hours of service, maintain drivers logs, and take physical examinations, among other requirements. These are the requirements that would apply to private carriers such as delivery trucks, beer trucks and other private vehicles not for-hire.

I hope this information will explain more fully the effect of these two bills, however, if you have additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

you have you know the sorrow of many. If each of us would use a few hours to visit our neighbors to give them some information about cancer and collect their gift to ACS, it would make each grateful and the gifts will go (85% of it) to search for prevention, treatments and hopefully a cure. Our chairman, Danelda, understands the importance of this crusade as she was stricken with cancer 4 years ago. Through early detection and advancement in treatment, she is now free of cancer. Each area will need a crusade chairperson, business and residential chairman. If schools permit, a chairman for "Send a Mouse To College". Did you know ACS has 175,000 volunteers? If you will be a volunteer April 4-11, call Danelda, after work at 629-1575 or 629-8386.

Christmas is a good time to give a memorial in honor of or in memory of a loved one.
Letty Craddock, Sec'y.

NEWS ABOUT OUR SENIOR CITIZENS

By Mozelle Rhymes

Jessie Lee Jones spent last week with her son, Lee Eison and family of Houston. Also visiting there for Thanksgiving were Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Jones, Cheri and Mark of Rusk, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Dement and Beverley of Jacksonville, Mr. and Mrs. Jamie Dement and family of Jacksonville, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Jr. Dement and family and Mr. and Mrs. David Stamey and family of Duncanville.

Mrs. Weldon Kirk of Sweetwater was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Higginbottom.

We were happy to have Juanita Files Wednesday and hope she will be one of our regulars.

We had an enjoyable trip to the Granbury Opera Saturday. Those making the trip included Edna Watson, Ima Lee Burleson, Thelma Hampton, Lois Buchanan, Beryl Rodgers, Bill and Helen Chandler, Doris Burleson, J. W. Ramsey, Jim Ray Cox and Mozelle Rhymes.

Mr. Dale Armstrong, Mr. and Mrs. Carl A. Hendrix of Dallas visited with her sister, Louise Holly-

JUST DESSERTS

Since its creation in the late 1890s, the ice cream sundae has become a part of the American culinary landscape.

Originally dubbed the "Soda-less Soda," the concoction of ice cream smothered in flavored syrups or toppings was created by confectioners who came under fire for serving soda water on Sundays, because it was considered to be too "stimulating" a drink to be decent for Sabbath consumption.

Even the ice cream "Sunday" was not without controversy, for the original name was spelled with a "y." The "-ae" ending came about, claims Paul Dickson, author of the *Great American Ice Cream Book*, when, "those who orated from the pulpit on the sinful soda went to work on the sacrilegious use of the name of the Sabbath for its stand-in."

Regardless of its somewhat precarious position under the scrutiny of turn of the century social reformers, the sundae was quick to catch the attention of the public, and today it is standard fare.

An opportunity for do-it-yourself sundae preparation makes a wonderful treat for a child's birthday party or a great way to end a summer barbecue.

Combining ingredients in the quantity and order dictated by one's tastes — questions such as whether fruit or hot fudge should be ladled over the ice cream first, can give rise to heated debates in some circles — is a thoroughly satisfying way of acting upon the latent food fantasies that are lurking in even the most controlled adults.

Whether you prefer a single sauce or a half dozen, walnuts or pecans, chocolate chips or multi-colored sprinkles, the variety of ice cream toppings available virtually guarantees a palate-pleasing combination among the lot.

The luscious fruits abundant during the summer harvest season are wonderful toppings for ice cream.

Sliced fresh peaches in a simple syrup are delightfully tasty and attractive when spooned over vanilla ice cream. So is the recipe below for Strawberries with Raspberry Sauce, reproduced from *Fresh 15-Minute Meals* (E.P. Dutton), by Emalee Chapman.

Juxtaposing the sweetness of ripe strawberries with the tantalizingly distinctive, delicate flavor of fresh raspberries, this combination adds a sophisticated touch to a meal.

Also capitalizing on summer strawberries, the recipe for Shaker Strawberry Sauce reproduced below has a foamy,

frothy consistency which results from whipping air into the mixture. This recipe is taken from *Great Old Fashioned Desserts* (E.P. Dutton), by Beatrice Ojakangas.

STRAWBERRIES WITH RASPBERRY SAUCE

- 1 pint strawberries
- 1 orange
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 2 tablespoons water
- ½ pint raspberries

1. Place strawberries in a colander, wash and hull them, and slice into a bowl. Squeeze in juice of orange.

2. Place a small saucepan over medium heat, add sugar and water, and heat to boiling. Stir in raspberries and cook over low heat for 5 to 6 minutes.

3. Place raspberries in blender and puree.

4. Drain strawberries. Pour raspberry sauce over them and serve.

SHAKER STRAWBERRY SAUCE

Makes about 6 servings

- 1 egg white
- 1 cup fresh strawberries, mashed
- 1 cup powdered sugar
- 4 tablespoons butter, at room temperature

In a large mixing bowl, beat the egg white until very stiff. Add the crushed berries and beat until light and fluffy. Gradually add the sugar and beat until the mixture stands in peaks, about 5 minutes. Beat in the butter until it is worked into the foam. Serve immediately.

Sure to satisfy any sweet tooth, the recipes below for Hot Caramel Sauce (also from *Great Old-Fashioned American Desserts*) and Praline Sauce are a delightful change from, or complement to, the traditional hot fudge. The Praline Sauce recipe is reproduced from *The New Good Housekeeping Cookbook* (Hearst Books).

HOT CARAMEL SAUCE

Makes about 1½ cups

- 1 cup sugar
- 1 cup heavy cream
- 2 teaspoons dark corn syrup
- 2 teaspoons butter
- 2 teaspoons vanilla

Combine the sugar, heavy cream, and corn syrup in a saucepan. Bring to a boil and cook for 5 minutes, or until sauce is slightly thickened and light tan in color. Add the butter and vanilla. Reheat before serving.

PRALINE SAUCE

Time: About 20 minutes before serving
Yield: About 2 cups

- ½ cup butter or margarine (1 stick)
- 1 3-ounce can pecans (1 cup), finely chopped
- ½ cup packed dark-brown sugar
- ¼ cup water
- 2 teaspoons cornstarch

1. In 2-quart saucepan over medium-low heat, in hot butter or margarine, brown pecans.

2. Stir in brown sugar. In cup, stir water and cornstarch until smooth. Stir into pecan mixture; cook over medium-high heat until mixture thickens slightly and boils, stirring.

3. Serve warm over French toast, pancakes, waffles, ice cream, sliced banana, or rice or vanilla pudding.
60 calories per tablespoon.

Using canned pineapple, the recipe below for Pineapple-Cassis Sauce can be made year-round, because it is not dependent upon the fresh product. This recipe is also reproduced from *The New Good Housekeeping Cookbook*.

PINEAPPLE-CASSIS SAUCE

Time: About 20 minutes before serving
Yield: About 4 cups

- 1 8-ounce can crushed pineapple in juice
- 4 egg yolks
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- ¼ cup cassis (black-currant-flavor liqueur)

1. Drain pineapple, reserving ¼ cup juice. Set crushed pineapple aside.

2. In double-boiler top, with portable mixer at high speed, beat egg yolks, sugar, and salt until very thick, about 5 minutes. Stir cassis and reserved pineapple juice into beaten egg yolks.

3. Place double-boiler top over hot, not boiling, water in double-boiler bottom. Cook, beating constantly at medium speed, until mixture is fluffy and warm, and mounds slightly when beater is lifted, about 5 minutes.

4. Remove double-boiler top from double-boiler bottom; fold in reserved crushed pineapple. Spoon warm sauce into dessert bowls and top with ice cream, sherbet, or fresh berries or spoon over dessert crepes.

40 calories per ¼ cup. Low in sodium, fat.



Have A Safe and Happy Holiday Season

SCHOOL MENU

BREAKFAST

Monday - Rice, juice and milk.
Tuesday - Toast, bacon, honey, juice and milk.

Wednesday - Oatmeal, juice and milk.

Thursday - Cereal, juice and milk.

Friday - Biscuits, sausage, gravy, juice and milk.

LUNCH

Monday - Beef and vegetable soup, cheese sticks, apple crisp, cornbread, crackers and milk.

Tuesday - Turkey and dressing, gravy, green beans, fruit salad, cranberry sauce, rolls and milk.

Wednesday - Taco salad, ranch style beans, fruit and milk.

Thursday - Pizza, tossed salad, corn, cookies and milk.

Friday - Hamburgers, french fries, ice cream and milk.
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NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Snooks Craddock of Sundown arrived Sunday for a visit with her mother, Mrs. Modell Crowley, and with his relatives, the Alvin Lasaters, Ralph Hudsons and Estelle Craddock families.

Visiting with Mack and Nelda Keith for Thanksgiving were Terri and Jim Lewis of Springtown, Larry and Traci Keith of Gorman, Larmarie and Kiley Keith and Mike Keith of Stephenville, and Kay and Steve Keith of Comanche.

'Tis the Season To Be Cautious

Education representative cannot and will not be elected under the same terms and conditions as other elected officials, we, as voters, are going to have to set aside a separate mental niche for these candidates and make a specific effort to check their qualifications. Stated differently, the election process will surely be a low profile affair with an extremely important result and we are just going to have to take extra care to ensure that good people fill those positions.

It is not a bit too early to begin consideration of that very important up-coming election and to commence the gigantic education process that is going to be necessary for an informed electorate to make their decision. Please keep your eye on developments in this area and, most of all, PAY ATTENTION.

Officials vote to buy land for Eastland jail expansion

EASTLAND — The Eastland County Commissioners voted during a special meeting Monday to buy \$75,000 worth of property next to the Eastland County Jail.

Dick Snell Laid To Rest On Wednesday

W. G. "Dick" Snell, 74, formerly of Ranger, died Monday in Del Rio.

Graveside services were held at 1 p. m. Wednesday at Alameda Cemetery with the Rev. Bill Chambers officiating, directed by Edwards Funeral Home of Ranger.

He was born in Eastland County and attended school in Alameda. He was a welder, retiring in 1976. He was a U. S. Army veteran of World War II.

Survivors include his stepmother, Pearl Snell of Carbon; three brothers Truman Snell of Eastland, Gayland of Kermit and John A. of La Porte; three sisters, Bernice Parish of Wichita Falls, and Leola Fillyaw and Doris Bennett, both of Eastland; and several nieces and newwews.

wood, and Dr. and Mrs. Audie A. Brown on Thursday and Friday of this week.

Berta Gregory, Dorothy Brewer joined Iola Wilkins of Stephenville and Ilene Woodward of Hico for a tour of Fossil Rim Wildlife Ranch. This ranch consists of 15,000 acres and is inhabited by 800 to 1000 various exotic animals comprised of 22 species, some of which are the Addax from N. Africa, Barbary Sheep of Morocco, Blackbuck Antelope, Cheetah, Gazelle, Gemsbok, Zebra, Llama, Ostrich and Giraffe to name a few. We were driven through by a keeper of the animals who is very informative of the habits and care of the animals. The two hour tours can be broken by a stop for refreshments or hamburgers atop the highest point. The fall foliage was at a peak, which made for a beautiful scenic drive.

The county will use the land to expand the jail, which has experienced chronic overcrowding problems. The plot of land extends the county's holdings to a full city block.

The Texas Jail Standards Commission has demanded the jail expansion. The commission first cited the jail for overcrowding in December 1986.

Commissioners plan to add 24 beds to the 7-year-old jail; it now has 25 beds. The addition is expected to cost \$1.25 million, which includes Monday's \$75,000 land purchase.

The county still owes about \$250,000 on financing for the current jail. The debt will be paid off by 1990, County Judge Scott Bailey said.

CAPTOL UPDATE

Have you heard it said that you should be careful what you wish for because you just might get it? Well, I wished for and supported an elected State Board of Education and now let me tell you what I got and you can tell me if it is good or bad.

In the general election in November of 1988, a representative will be elected to the State Board of Education from our area. That State Board of Education district will include 49 counties and will be about ¼ the size of a state senatorial district. That's a lot of territory.

The average state senator hasa probably in the neighborhood of \$100,000 - \$250,000 to spend campaigning and I just cannot believe a candidate for the State Board of Education is going to be able to raise anywhere near that amount of money. The important question occurs, how are we going to know who to vote for for that very important position?

Since the 15 member State Board of Education is going to be primarily responsible for the future direction of education in this state, the election of a competent board member is probably more important than the election of either a state representative or state senator. If either a representative or senator makes a serious mistake, there are at least 180 other people to catch that mistake, plus the oversight of the executive branch of government. If a State Board member makes a serious mistake, there will only be 14 other people to exercise that same degree of care.

Clearly, since our State Board of