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Amendments Election Tuesday, November 5

Voters will go to the polls Tuesday, November 5 to cast their ballots on Thirteen Proposed Constitutional Amendments.

Hopefully you have studied the Pros and Cons of the Amendments and will exercise your rights and Vote On Tuesday.

The Election will be held in the Old Fire Hall and will open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m. Frances Simpson will serve as Election Judge and Clerks will be Don Curb, Ann Maxfield, Elain Keith and Zina Simpson.

Norma Tedford Home Destroyed By Fire

NUMBER FORTY



The house above was destroyed by fire Tuesday afternoon after an apparent faulty electric heater. The home ignited later close of the day. Tuesday night and the structure was a total loss. The picture shows the house before the fire re-ignited itself.

The home of Norma Jo Tedford fire Tuesday afternoon.

The fire is believed to have started with a faulty electric heater in the back part of the two bedroom house.

Bret Ashley, Gorman Chief of Police noticed the smoke coming from the house and turned in the fire alarm around 2:30 p.m. Mrs. Tedford had also noticed the fire and ran next door to call the Fire Department.

Firemen answered the call immeiately, but the fire had too much of head start to save the house.

Three units of the Gorman Fire Department and two units from the De Leon Fire Department fought the fire until 5:00 p.m. before bringing it under control.

The house and contents are a total on McCall Street was destroyed by loss. In addition to Mrs. Tedford's furnishings, she had her mothers furniture stored in the house. Her mother is Mrs. Gertie Leeper, a resident of Canterbury Villa Nursing Home of

> The house belonged to Mrs. Madell Isbell, who resides in San

> Firemen wish to Thank Bill Chandler and Betty Jean for the many pots of coffee made for them. Really was

Around 7:30 p.m. Tuesday night the fire re-ignited itself. Before firemen arrived flames were shooting out of the top of the house. At press time Tuesday night the house was still burning.

Gorman Panther Band Received Division 2 Rating



The Gorman Panther Marching Band participated in Region Marching Contest Saturday, October 26th in Brady and received a Divisions 2 Rating. Each Band is rated on a scale of 1 to 5 with 1 being the best.

Angela Treadway, Edith Torres and Connie Rone also competed at Twirling Contest and all three received a Division 1 Rating. This makes all of the twirlers eligible for State Contest in June.

Lisa Laminack, Band Director, wants to say Thank You to all the Band Students for their hard work and dedication and also thanks for the support from the parents, fans, teachers, students and administration. We couldn't do this without you.

Canterbury Villa To Sponsor Halloween Party

There will be a Halloween Party and Hayride Thursday night, weather permitting at 7:30 p.m. at the Old Fire Hall. The hayride will start at 9:00

Everyone needs to come in costume. There will be games and spooks. The admission charge for both will only be \$.50 and is being sponsored by Canterbury Villa Nursing Home of Gorman.

United Methodist Church Lord's Acre November 8

Ladies and men of First United Methodist Church are in the process of making final plans for the Annual Lord's Acre Festival to be held Friday, November 8.

Cookies, candy, cakes and pies are planned for the Bake Sale. White Elephant items are selected for the Trash and Treasure Booth. Arts and Crafts are being made.

The noon meal will consist of Old Fashion Southern Corn Bread Dressing with all the trimmings with homemade Cobblers. The price si \$4.50 including tea or coffee.

Tea and coffee and snacks will be served throughout the day. Take out plates will be available (and delivered to shut-ins).

Drawing for the quilt will be at the

Doors to Fellowship Hall will open at 8:00 a.m. and close around 5:00 p.m.

Everyone is invited to attend this special day at the Church.

HEY KIDS!!!

Don't Forget The Spook Parade! Remember - Thursday, October 31 at 6:30 - Down-

Come in your Trick or Treat Costume and see if your friends can guess who you really are.

In case of bad weather the Spook Parade will be canceled and will not be rescheduled.

REMEMBER - THE SPOOK PARADE STARTS AT 6:30 P.M.

PTO Fall Festival-Dinner Saturday, **November 9, 1991**

The PTO Annual Fall Festival comes complete with an all you can eat dinner in the school cafeteria. The dinner opens at 5:00 p.m. with deliveries and carry-out orders available. The festivities kick off at 6:00 p.m. in the gymnasium. Door prizes will be awarded at both the dinner and the festival. We have many activities planned: a coloring contest open to all ages, various game baooths such as, A Cake Walk, Bingo and Dart Throws. A Cookoff is being planned so everyone dig out those favorite recipes and whip up a batch of fun. Proceeds fromt he festival will be used for proposed projects at our school for the benefit

The Gorman Parents-Teachers Organization had its beginning in 1980. Since that time, it has been an effective tool in bringing together parents, teachers, administrators and the community to work for our school system....the heart of the future of Gorman. Many items have been procurred for the our school which would not have been made available had there not been a PTO. We cordially ask you to help us make this year one of the best in Gorman.

If you would like to become a member or desire more information please contact Amy Wood at 734-2973 or Donna Lewis at 758-2531.

Panthers Outgun Wildcats 27-19: Host Santo Friday

First Downs Rushes/Yards Yards Passing Passes Completed 4 of 11 Interceptions **Fumbles Lost** 5 for 30 Punts, Avg. 5 for 30 Penalties 6 for 50

The Panthers got back in the District 14A race on Friday night when they net the Rising Star Wildcats in the Wildcat Den and came out with a hard fought 27 to 19 victory to go 2-1 in District and even their season record at 4-4.

The Panthers hit the scoreboard first when Cory Pack took a handoff and race in for the score from 11 yards out with 1:59 left in the initial period. The drive was set up by a recovery of a Wildcat bobble at the Rising Star 26. The score came after Jason Ditmore set the Panthers up at the 11 yard line with a 15 yard run. Ditmore booted the point after and Gorman was out front 7-0.

However, the lead didn't last too long as the Wildcats took the following kickoff on their own 31 and went the distance in 7 plays with Jeff Medley hauling in a 15 yard pass for the score with 11:54 left in the second period. The kick for point was blocked and the score stood at 7-6.

Gorman came back with 8:25 left in the half when Kris Scitern took the toss from Steve Taylor and raced 25 yard for the score around right end. This score was set up by a Wildcat fumble at the Rising Star 30. The point after was blocked and the scor stood at 13-6.

Then with time running out in the furst half the Wildcats intercepted an ill thrown pass at the Gorman 33. Just two play after the interception Chad Hill got behind the Panther defenders as time ran out and caught a 33 yard pass for the score. The point after was good and the score was tied at 13-13 at the intermission.

The Gorman Panther Marching Band put on a very great routine which they were to use in the Band contest at Brady on Saturday morning. They did great.

Following the intermission the teams played on even terms until the 6:04 mark of the third period when the Wildcats intercepted a Panther pass at the Rising Star 12. From there the Wildcats moved 88 yards in just 6 plays with Jarod Horton catching a medium range pass just over the 50 yard line and raced the rest of the way (63 yards in all) for the score. The point after failed and the Wildcats had the lead 19 to 13.

But the Panthers were just not to be denied as they took the following kickoff on their own 37, and in just one big blast, Jason Ditmore took the pitch from Steve Taylor, broke to his right and raced through the Wildcat defenders for 63 yards and the score with 5:45 left in the third. Ditmore aed the point after and the score was

Gorman got the insurance toucdown with 6:29 left in the game when Cory Pack took the handoff from Taylor, broke free up the middle and raced 51 yards for the score to shock the Wildcat defense. Don Mauney booted the point after and the final score was 27 to 19.

This win puts the Panthers back in the hunt for the District title if they can win the next two games over Santo and Baird. The Panthers will host the Santo Wildcats next Friday at 7:30 at Brogdon Field, and then will close out the regular season when they trevel to Baird on Novem-

Our meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month at 3:30 p.m. in the Elementary Library.

The Officers also wish to express gratitude for the contribution made the PTO by G&H Feed located on the Kokomo Highway in Gorman.

NOTICE!!!

All persons interested in forming a Cemetery Associa-

The Big Red defense bent several times during the game, but never broke as they held the Wildcats out of the endzone in the final period to secure the win.. Chris Haase, Jonray Childers, Shane Caraway, Kris Scitern and Don Mauney led the Panther

Jason Ditmore led the Panthers with 253 yards on 32 carries. Cory

Pack got 73 yards on 6 tries. Kris Scitern had 23 yards on 4 totes.

The Panthers will have to be ready for another battle this riday night when they host Santo. The Wildcats have a very good team and have played some close games this seasson. The Big Red defense will really have to be gung-ho for this battle.

Go Get 'Em Big Red!



JASON FOLLOWING HIS BLOCKERS - Jason Ditmore is shown above following Steve Taylor and Corey Pack after some fine blocks to open a hole in the Rising Star Wildcat defense in game action Friday night. Jason led the Panthers in rushing with 253 yards on 32 carries.



COREY PACK UNDER ATTACK - Corey Pack is shown about to be tackled in game action Friday night. Blocking for Corey is Shane Caraway. Corey had 73 yards on 6 carries.



CHEERLEADERS CARRYING ON - Above shown is the Panther Cheerleaders, Jana Norris, Panther Mascot - Barbie White, along with Kathy White, Rachel Reeves and Annette Love. The Panther Cheerleaders and Fans helped spirit the Panthers to a well deserve victory.

House Numbers Must Be In Place For 911 Service

911 Service for Gorman will soon be tested. Residents within the City of Gorman are urged to install house numbers as soon as possible. The numbers should be attached to your home in a highly visible, unobstructed area.

Members of the Gorman Lions Club will help those who may need assistance in getting their numbers in place. If you need assistance please call 734-2410.

Numbering should be completed by October 31, 1991, if possible. The 911 service should be fully operational by January,

tion come to the Senior Citizens Building, November 5, 1991 at 7 p.m. Need to set plans in motion to get the program going.

Everyone come.

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Canterbury Villa News

Brightwell.

Cynthia Earles.

and De Leon.

Roberts.

Denton.

Joy Campbell.

Whitehurst.

Campbell.

Shirley Clement.

dents took exercises.

sister Iola Johnson.

By Nancy Hendricks

On Thursday, October 24 at 2:00 the Canterbury Villa Birthday Party honoring October Birthday residents was held using the Halloween Theme. Ann Rush, Velma Bennett, Ber-

tha Gregory and Lavoyce Hirst made the birthday cake served with orange

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Newcomb came and played and sang. After the "Happy Birthday Song" the honorees were given gifts from The First United Methodist Church, First Baptist Church, Church of Christ and Canterbury Villa.

Joy had everything all decorated 4-10-31 P. and each honorees place card had name and age. Honorees were Cynthia Earles, Lucille Campbell, Jess Roberts, Mary Choat and Juanita

> Velma Bennett, Nancy Hendricks served everyone presents. Other guests were Idell Warren, Modess Burgess, Joe O'Neal and The Newcombs.

On October 22 and 23 Ruby Vandergriff's guests were Mildred Sutton of Oklahoma City and Margaret Richardsong of Wichita Falls and Nancy Moorehead from Archer City. They all went for an outing to see all the Halloween decorations and visited farmers in the harvesting

Dorothy Roberts gave Veno Hale a new permanent.

Irene Hallmark and Nancy Hendricks helped with Wednesday Bingo. Winners were Veno Hale, S. D. Gilmore, Ida Lewis, Jessie Lee Falls, Cynthia Earles, Emma Shugart, Kenneth Walker, Jess Hallmark, Ervin Mieres, Jess Roberts, Ora Mae Atchison, Gertie Leeper, Dorothy

Charles and Mayvis Ballard of Golesville visited Cynthia Earles. We appreciate Mozelle Rhymes

giving Bingo Prizes. Those coming for the Friday morning musical were Raymond Hart, Gerald Willis, Dewey Bailey, Bernard and Ann Keith and Joy

Campbell. On Saturday morning Bro. Joe ited Eois Buchanan and Era O'Neal and Joyce Dennis brought the devotional for 23 residents.

Those visiting Homer Wood were Hebert. Sterling McCaulley, Daisy Slaton, Jimmy Bryan, and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Rawson of Cisco.

Sunday morning at 10:00 a.m. Bro. Ron Carroll taught the Sunday School lesson for 9 residents.

Those visiting Minnie Brightwell, Mary Choat, and Stella Thurman were James and Lavelle Haynes, Jean Snelson, Oma Dee Garrett, Zena Simpson and Willo Dean Ormsby of Stephenville.

On Sunday at 2:30 p.m. those from the Gorman Methodist Church were Rev. and Mrs. James Haynes, Sue and Melesa Tarver, Gene Snelson, Oma Dee Garrett, Odie Brightwell, Willo Dean Ormsby and Velma Bennett.

Those visiting Varona Taylor were Billy, Janda, Steve and Tracy Taylor, Zina Simpson, Curtis and Neta

At 4:00 p.m. those coming for Church Services from Gorman Church of Christ were Bro. and Mrs. Curtis Maness, Bro. T. A. Grice,

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Jackie Whitlock, Eunice Love, Joy

Campbell, S. D. Gilmore, Emma

Shugart, Ora Lee Lawrence, Sue

Seaton, A. V. Seay and Joe O'Neal.

the Resident Council Meeting. Of-

ficers elected for November are Presi-

dent - Emma Shugart, Vice Presi-

dent - S. D. Gilmore, Secretary -

were Ima Lee Burleson of Desde-

mona, Mr. and Mrs. Chesley Atchison

came and took Ora Mae to the farm

Lenis Rice of Carbon visitied her

On Monday Nancy Hendricks

helped with Bingo. Winners were

Minnie Dupuy, Ora Mae Atchison,

Ervin Miere, Kenneth Walker,

Hillery Seay, Henry Rice, Gertie

Leeper, Jess Hallmark, Veno Hale,

Emma Shugart, S. D. Gilmore, Iola

Johnson, Cynthia Earles, Dorothy

Beaty, Ruby Vandergriff and Jess

Mae Quinn were Georgie and Archie

Skaggs, Sue Clements, Dwayne and

and painted with pastels. 13 resi-

were Lena Nelms of De Leon, Lara

Faye Warren and Nettie Eunie

Singing were Leslie Tonn, Billie

Stacy, Cricket Walker, Elizabeth

Sandlin, Melba Frasier, Anna Rush,

Estelle Ervin, Willo Rice, Nancy

Hendricks, Joe O'Neal, Velma

Bennett, Oma Dee Garrett, Annie

Faye Foster, Frankie Shipman and

Ann Rush and Estelle Ervin vis-

Nell Scott visited her mother Irene

On Wednesday we met at 10:00

Those visiting Lucille Campbell

On Friday Lenis Rice, Bertha

were Eunice Love, Mr. and Mrs.

Larry Campbell, Mr and Mrs. Lane

a.m. and did exercises.

Those visiting Cleo Clement and

On Tuesday morning we had art

Those visiting Dorothy Beaty

Those coming for the Tuesday

Those visiting Ora Mae Atchison

On Monday, 18 residents attended

Those visiting Ida Lewis were

with Bingo. Winners were Veno Hale, S. D. Gilmore, Ora Mae Atchison, Dorothy Beaty, Ida Lewis, Emma Shugart, Iola Johnson, Minnie Dupuy, Hillery Seay, Cynthia Earles, Ruby Vandergriff, Ervin Miere, Kenneth Walker, Lena Terry and Jess Zina Simpson, Dee Smithey, Janda

Gregory and Nancy Hendricks helped

We are sorry to report Cody Love in De Leon Hospital.

Clara Hendricks of Fort Worth visited Lorene Jay.

Lodell and Stephanie Russell of Everman visited Junior Fairbetter on



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SANTO WILDCATS

Brogdon Field - Friday, November 1 - 7:30 P.M.

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME	NO	NAME	POCITION	WEIGHT	CLASS
ept. 6	Gorman 27 - Perrin 0			NO.	NAME	POSITION	WEIGHT	CLASS
ept. 13	Cisco 14 - Gorman 0			10	Rajee Patel	QB/DB	145	JR.
ept. 20	Gorman 21 - Ranger 2			11	Jeremy Sanders	QB/DB	135	FR.
Sept. 27	Hico 20 - Gorman 14			12	Steve Taylor	QB/DB	155	SR.
Oct. 4	Santa Anna 20 - Gorman 17			20	Cory Pack	FB/LB	155	SR.
Oct. 11	Tolar 28 - Gorman 14			21	Daniel Sanchez	WB/LB	160	JR.
Oct. 18	Gorman 56 - Cross Plains 36			24	Mario Rodriquez	WB/LB	140	SOPH.
Oct. 25	Gorman 27 - Rising Star 19	0	7.20	30	Jade Warren	SE/DE	170	JR.
Nov. 1	* Santo	Gorman	7:30	31	Flavio Herrera	QE/DB	150	JR.
Nov. 8	* Baird	Baird	7:30	32	Jason Ditmore	TB/LB	175	SR.
	* District ** Homecoming	Parents Night		34	Kris Scitern	TB/LB	150	JR.
				44	Robert Cox	FB/LB	150	SR.
PANTHER JV SCHEDULE				50	Brent Skaggs	QG/DE	170	SOPH.
				51	Chris Laminack	C/LB	170	JR.
DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME	55	Charlie Torrez	C/LB	145	FR.
Sept. 12	Cisco	Cisco	6:00	60	John Mart Stephens	SG/DE	175	SOPH.
Sept. 19	Ranger 28 - Gorman 6			61	Kenneth Rainey	QG/LB	170	JR.
Sept. 26				62	Daniel Reeves	SG/DT	170	JR.
Oct. 3	Santa Anna 22 - Gorman 0			64	Chris Haase	SG/DT	180	SR.
				. 66	Christian Clark	ST/LB	150	JR.
				70	Noah Landa	ST/DT	180	SOPH.
				72	Jonray Childers	C/DT	170	JR.
				74	Juan DeLa Torre	ST/DT	160	FR.
				76	Don Mauney	QT/DE	180	FR.
				80	William Rainey	SE/LB	160	JR.
		The Late of the La	Section Section	81	Phillip Perez	QE/LB	110	SOPH.
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Gorman Progress Joe - Jake - Herman prove the minutes of th Sept. 19 and 24th meetings. Motion cerried 3-0. Reports were given from all department heads. Bill Miears presented a water software contract for the City Water billing at a cost of \$450. Howard Hagood made the motion, seconded

THE GORMAN PROGRESS

Commission

For Month

of October

present.

Actions of City

The Gorman City Commission met in regular session on October 3 with Mayor Pro-Tem John Rice and Commissioners Johnny Smith, Howard Hagood and Ann Maxfield

The meeting opened at 6:10 p. m. Ann Maxfield made the motion, seconded by Johnny Smith to ap-

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paid when program is operational. Ann Maxfield made the motion, seconded by Johnny Smith, to purcchase uniforms for the police department as provided for in the budget and to purchase such uniforms as soon as revenue comes in. Motion

by Ann Maxfield, to accept the contract. Motion carried 3-0. 1/2 to be

carried 3-0. Mrs. Hubert Merworth was preent to address the Commission on the offer of her accepting the position of Mayor. Howard Hagood made the motion, seconded by Johnny Smith, to table the issue until next meeting. Motion carried 3-0.

A special meeting will be held on October 7th to study te water leaks. The meeting will be held at City Hall at 6 p. m. Other items tabled for this meeting were the amending of the budget and the loan resolution from FHA.

Johnny Smith made the motion, seconded by Howard Hagood, to increase the BFI bills in the amount of 36 cents due to state refulations on landfills tax ad fuel tax. Motion Carried 3-0. This amount is for residential, businesses will be higher. Ann Maxfield made the motion

seconded by Howard Hagood, to purchase 12 more water meters and to purchase repair kits for those precision water meters in the warehhouse now. Motion carried 3-0. The discussion of purchasing a

new or used patrol car for back-up was tabled until the first meeting in November. There has been a problem with officers using their personal vehicles.

The Commission will look at the backhoe to determine how to fix it and the City pick-up should still be under warranty for a front end align-

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

The Gorman City Commission met in a special called meeting on October 7th as an memergency due to the EPA order and passing the loan resolution necessary to comply with the state. Those present were John Rice, Howard Hagood, Ann Maxfield and Johnny Smith.

The meeting opened at 6:11 p. m. The FHA Loan Resolution was read by nn Maxfield. Following the reading, Ann further read a proposed Grant Resolution. Howard Hagood made the motion seconded by Johnny Smith to adopt both resolutions and to sgn the water and sewer system grant agreement. Motion

Upon the review of the budget, the secretary was instructed to apply Kenneth's pay as follows: 1/4 streets 1/4 parks and 1/2 sewer. Joe's pay will remain in the water and Charles will be transferred to sewer.

Brett Ashley gave a schedule of police work hours.

Joe gave a progress report on

meter problems.

Johnny Smith made the motion, seconded by Ann Maxfield that all bills are due the 15th and a \$5.00 late fee will be added to those paid after the due date and all bills not paid by the 20th of each month will be automatically cut off and a \$25 reconnect fee will be charged. The motion further states that the no one commissioner has the authority alone to correct bills, keep a water meter from being turned off due to non-payment, or to make any such actions. To remedy disputes in a water bill the customer will need to have their name put on the agenda and will have tomeet with the commission at a meeting and a motion passed at the commission will be required to take any action concerning customer bills or paymments. Motion carried 4-0. Joe has been instructed that any tampering with eater meters will be reported to the police dept. as it is a third degree

The meeting closed at 8:30 p. m. There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

> Crimestoppers Call 629-TIPS

De Leon Methodist CJC To Offer **Church Harvest Festival Saturday**

De Leon First United Methodist Church will had its Annual Fall Festival, Saturday at the De Leon City

The festival will feature a Country Kitchen, Baked Goodies, Country Store, Crafts, Apron Shop, Children's Corner, Greeting Card Shop, Frozen Casseroles. A Sandwich Shop will be serving snacks and lunch from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

A silent Auction will be taking place all day. A Barbecue Dinner be served from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

A special Auction will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Evelyn Gibbs Laid To Rest Thursday

Evelyn Gibbs, 73, died Monday in a local Stephenville Nursing Home.

Graveside services were held at 11 a.m. Thurdsay at Simpson Cemetery in the Kokomo Community near Gorman with the Revs. William Nelson and Robert Lingle officiating, directed by Stephenville Funeral Home.

Mrs. Gibbs was born in Gorman, lived the past eight years in Stephenivlle, moving from Granbury and was a homemaker.

She was a member of Covenant Life Center United Pentecostal Church.

Survivors include her husband, Willard Gibbs of Stephenville; two sons, Kenneth Gibbs of Pasadena and Keith Gibbs of Duffau; three daughters, Alice Hall of Cleburne, and Doris Gibbs and Kathleen Moody, both of Stephenville; 10 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Joe D. McKissick Services Held Wednesday

Joe D. McKissick, 81, died Tuesday in an Hamilton Hospital.

Services were at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Hall & Chaney Funeral Home with Tom Layman and Todd Topping officiating. Burial will be in Oakwood Cemetery.

Mr McKissick was born in Lampasas Country, was a sign painter and a World War II veteran, serving in the U.S. Army.

Survivors include a brother, Billy McKissick of Grand Prairie; five sisters, Dorothy Ayers of Gorman, Edrie Kirk of Fort Worth, Euna Dell Watson of Jal, N.M., and Bennie Brooks and Mildred Dunn, both of Comanche; and several nieces and

Hymnal Fund Drive Started For Canterbury Villa

A drive has begun for the purchase of new Hymnals for Canterbury Vill. The Hymnals may be purchased at the cost of \$5.95 each. A minimum of 36 hymnals are

Velma Bennett is collecting funds for this much needed project and she may be reached at 734-2834, if anyone needs additional information.

Defensive Driving Course Nov. 18-20

THE GORMAN PROGRESS

Cisco Junior College will offer a Defensive Driving Course on Monday and Wednesday, November 18 and 20 from 6 - 10 p.m. The class will meet in room 3 of Schaefer Hall. Fee for the course is \$20. Enrollment must be paid no later than 3 p.m. on November 18. Students must attend both nights of lass and must bring a valid drivers license to class. Cisco Junior College is an agency of the Texas Safety Association.

For more information contact Charlotte Speegle at 442-2567, extension 122.

CARD OF THANKS

We would like to thank all the caring people in the loss of our Father and Granddad, Ervin Daniel Willingham, and a Special Thanks to Nowlin Funeral Home and Officer Dewayne Heron for their help and kindness in the loss of a loved one.

Thank You and May God Bless You All, The Willingham Family The Holman Family The Grumbles Family The Eaves Family The Ables Family

Daisy Bell VanSanten **Services Held** Tuesday

Daisy Bell VanSanten, 68, died Sunday, October 27, 1991 at her

Services were held at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at Bakker Funeral Home Chapel. Graveside services were at 3:30 p.m. in Lawnhaven Cemetery in San Angelo.

Mrs. VanSanten was born in Lynn County near Lubbock and grew up there. She lived in Odessa and San Angelo before moving to Eastland in 1984.

She was a homemaker, a Pentecostal and was the widow of Henry

Surviviors include a daughter, Darlene Cagle of Carbon; six grandchildren; and five great-grandchil-

Ervin Daniel Willingham Laid To Rest Monday

Gorman, died Friday at De Leon Hospital.

Graveside services were at 3 p.m. Monday in Crawford with the Rev. Glen Jonas officiating, directed by Nowlin Funeral Home.

Mr. Willingham was born in Waco. He retired from Bell Rubber Company in Dallas and moved to Gorman from Arlington about three

He was a World War II Army veteran. He was a member of the Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Mary E. Willingham of Gorman; a son, Danny Willingham of Axtell; four daughters, Sue Kirkland of Axtell, Barbra Holman of Taylor, Louise Able of Crawford and Patsy Holman of Bertram; 12 grandchildren; and 23 great-grandchildren.

Churches, Organizations and Individuals are invited to participate in this endeavor.

80 Hour Nursing Assistant Training Program - Nov. 11

Canterbury Villa of Gorman is pleased to announce that the 80 hour Nursing Assistant Training program will be starting on November 11, 1991. The program is approved for Nurse Aide Training by the Texas Department of Health. Upon class completion, students are eligible to take the proficiency and written examination required for placement on the nurse aid registry. Cost of the course is free. Class size is limited. For more information, please call

SCHOOL MENU

BREAKFAST

MONDAY - Oatmeal, cinnamon toast, juice and milk.

TUESDAY - French toast, syrup, juice and milk.

WEDNESDAY - Eggs, bacon, toast, juice and milk. THURDSAY - Cereal, toast, juice

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

LUNCH

MONDAY - Spaghetti w/meat sauce, salad, pineappe, bread sticks, cookies and milk.

TUESDAY - Chicken Fried Steak patty, cream potatoes, green beans, apple cobbler, gravy, hot rolls and

WEDNESDAY - King Ranch Casserole, Salad, corn, cookies and milk. THURSDAY - Ham and cheese Pita's, Red Beans, salad, peaches

FRIDAY - BBQ on a bun, french fries, onion, pickle spears, ice cream and milk.

'Gene' Falls Laid To Rest

Eugene Allen 'Gene' Falls, 82, formerly of Eastland, died Sunday in Canterbury Villa of Gorman.

Services were at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Bakker Funeral Home Chapel in Eastland with Curtis Maness officiating. Burial ws in Merriman Cemtery.

Mr. Falls was born in the Staff Community in Eastland County and attended school in Staff and Ranger.

He was a mechanic for Anderson Chevrolet in Ranger for many years. Ervin Daniel Willingham, 77, of He had lived at Lake Leon, Olden and Eastland before moving to Gorman in 1978.

> He was a member of the Gorman Church of Christ.

> Survivors include his wife, Jessie Lee Falls of Gorman; a stepdaughter, Sharon Dublin of Midland; and two step-grandsons.

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OCTOBER 31, 1991 Comyn Baptist **Church To Hold** Revival Nov. 3-6

Comyn Baptist Church would like to invite eveyone to Worship Services, November 3rd thru 6th. Sunday morning services begin at 11:00 a.m. and Evening services begin at

Bro. Jimmie Smithee will bring God's Word in the Power of the Holy Spirit. Bro. Rickey Williams will be leading the Music.

We expect to experience God in a Great and Mighty Way.

Bill and Frances Babbitt Just Returned From Vacation

Bill and Frances Babbitt have just returned to a lovely vacation in the North Eastern United States. They traveled by car - going through Arkansas, Tennessee, West Virginia, Maryland and Pennsylvania. The Mountains and trees were in their most beautiful fall colors. They went to a Maple Syrup Factory in Pennsylvania. Brought home a pint of pure maple syrup. The trees are

containers and cooked until done. They toured the historic places in Cumberland, Maryland. Some of houses were dated in the 1700. Bills daughter lives just outside Cumberland. They visited with her and her family and attended his granddaughters wedding.

taped and the juice is put in big

The weather was beautiful, no rain - just perfect driving.

Services For T. Q. Kilgore

T. Q. Kilgore, 64, of Eastland, passed away Friday, October 18th at

Services were held at 2 p. m. Sunday at the Bakker Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. John Tyaylor officiating. Burial was in the Murray Memorial Cemetery at Carbon.

Mr. Kilgore was born in Electra and grew up in the LKeermit area. He was a truck driver for several oil companies in West Texas before moving to Eastland in 1986 where he worked for the city. He was a veteran

He is survived by his wife, Lou Kilgore of Eastland.

Richards has announced that 16 rural Texas including De Leon have been Hospital, selected to federal assistance to receive improve or add services for citizens in their area

The Health Care Financing of the U. S. Administration Department of Health and Human Services has awarded these grants for up to \$50,000 per year to each of the hospitals. Funding may be requested for up to three years.

The De Leon Hospital District, which is licensed by the Texas Department of Health for 40 beds,

will receive \$50,000 in funds to be used for physician recruitment for rural health clinics for Comanche and Eastland Counties.

"I am proud to announce that these rural Texas hospitals will receive the needed funds to provide quality care to Medicare recipients," Richards said.

"These funds will improve hospital care in a variety of ways including home health physician recruitment, rehabilitative services, and the establishment of rural health clinics."

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Say Yes to Prison Bonds Prop. 4 to make streets safe, target drug addicts

By Sen. Ted Lyon **Guest Columnist**

chance to strike back at crime by approving bond to be at least twice that good, with a 50-70 percent financing to build the 25,300 prison beds called for success rate. in Proposition 4.

Daily news accounts of shootings, stabbings, rapes, hold-ups and other violent crimes shock and numb law-abiding citizens, who fear to walk the to get drugs, go to prison to serve a fraction of

Six Texas cities rank among the 17 most crimeridden cities nationwide, according to the latest FBI statistics. Dallas ranks third, with Fort Worth offenders if left untreated for their addictions.

fourth on that dubious list. We're all outraged over the system that churns

out dangerous criminals who serve only 10 to 20 percent of their sentences. Consider the case of Leonardo Lopez, who

murdered three deputies in cold blood while their hands were bound with wire. He was released after serving only 16 years on three life sentences citizens. that's five and one third years per killing. We need room in our prisons to keep the

Leonardo Lopezes of the world for the longest possible terms. Right now, we don't have that room. It's causing our entire criminal justice system to back up like an overflowing drainpipe. We have nearly 10,000 convicted felons in 54

county jails awaiting transfer to state prisons that are already straining at capacity. Proposition 4 will go a long way toward easing

our prison overcrowding crisis.

warehouses for the dregs of society.

Understand that this is only the beginning of the answer to our crime problems. We can't just keep building more and more prisons indefinitely they are expensive to build and expensive to operate. Alone, they tend to function as

What, you ask, is different about this latest prison construction program?

The difference is that, besides 13,300 beds for general population inmates, the bond money will build 12,000 beds to lock up non-violent addict offenders, where they will get mandatory substance abuse treatment.

There is no doubt that drugs fuel the vast majority of crime. Addicts do not care about the consequences of their crimes; they only want to get their next "high." That's why the ones who have not yet become hardened criminals must be forced into treatment. It's a documented fact that mandated substance abuse treatment is every bit as effective as voluntary treatment, according to a study by the National Institute on Drug Abuse. The idea is to remove the driving motivation for

crimes by eliminating addicts' need for drugs. Curing those who are salvagable will save taxpayers millions of dollars by cutting the repeat offender rate. This is the most direct way to make a real dent in our crime problem.

We will save \$3 in criminal justice costs for every \$2 invested in substance abuse treatment even if only one in four of those treated stays AUSTIN - On Nov. 5, Texas voters will have a straight. Research shows that we can expect results

One thing is certain: we have to change our approach, so that we can shut the revolving doors on our prisons. Right now, addicts commit crimes their sentence, then are released with the same addiction that put them there in the first place. About half of those addicts will become repeat

In order to break the cycle of crime, we must break the cycle of addiction. Period.

The fact of the matter is that substance abuse treatment works. It's time we recognized the direct savings treatment can generate for the criminal justice system, the taxpayers who fund that system, and the property and peace of mind of law-abiding

Consider the case of Carl Robins, who committed seven different non-violent crimes, involving property or drug possession. By the time he was 47, Robins had spent 26 years and 11 months behind bars as a direct result of his heroin addiction. Since successfully completing a drug treatment program in 1983, he has stayed straight, become productive and now is helping new parolees find jobs.

Every treated addict won't be a success story, but each one who is frees up prison space to hold a murderer or a rapist or an armed robber.

As for bond financing of prisons, it's no different in concept than a homebuyer taking out a 30-year loan to buy a house. In this case, the term would be 20 years on just over \$1 billion. This financing method has been endorsed by the State Comptroller, who understands well the wisdom of bond financing for long-term-use facilities.

The state simply cannot afford to pay cash for these prisons at this time, but we must act now to address Texas' crime problems. The approach here is not piecemeal; it is part of a comprehensive reform package to attack the root causes of crime.

Besides the bond proposal, the reform includes revision of the state's Penal Code by the Texas Punishment Standards Commission to get priorities straight so that the most dangerous criminals will be kept behind bars for the longest

These revolutionary reforms will help safeguard our children and could stand for decades as the turning point in our battle against crime in this state. I urge you to vote in FAVOR of Proposition

Sen. Ted Lyon (D-Rockwall) is the author of Proposition 4 and is co-chairman of the Texas Punishment Standards Commission.

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ITEMS OF INTEREST

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There will be a Musical at the Sipe Springs Community Center Saturday, November 2 starting around 6:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend especially all musicians.

Carbon Masonic Lodge No. 786, Carbon, Texas will put on a Entered Apprentice Degree Saturday night, Nov. 2. A free supper will be served at 7:00 p.m. with the degree at 7:30 p.m. All Entered Apprentice Masons have a special invitation to come.

PANTHER BOOSTER CLUB MEETS EACH TUESDAY NIGHT AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY. MAKE PLANS TO ATTEND THE NEXT MEETING AND JOIN THE BOOSTER

The Senior Class is now taking orders for a video may of the Miss Texas Reject Pageant. Contact either Lana Sharp at 758-2238 or Angela Buckley at 758-2660.

OUTREACH HEALTH SERVICES PAT CORNWELL, R.N.

Blood Pressure and Blood Sugar Clinic

will be held on the Second Wednesday of each month at the Gorman Hotel Apartments and the Third Wednesday of each month at the Senior Citizens Center from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

The Gorman Support Group is now meeting at the City Hall on Wednesday nights at 7:30 p.m. Anyone needing support may contact Ina & Gerald Scitern at 734-2720 or Joy Campbell at

STATED MEETINGS FOR GORMAN MASONIC LODGE NO. 716 ARE SECOND TUESDAYS OF EACH MONTH AT 7:30 P.M. VISITORS ARE MOST WELCOME, AND MEMBERS ARE URGED TO ATTEND. ELWOOD RAGLAND, MASTER 758-2552, HOWARD HAGOOD, SECRETARY 734-2977.

NEED HELP???

We would like to invite your to join our OPEN NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS meetings. Meetings will be held at the old Fire Hall in Gorman at 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday nights.

Gorman PTO is accepting Donations for the Louise Rankin Memorial Library. If you would like to make a Donation in Memory of or In Honor of Someone, Please Call Janda Taylor at 734-2497 or 734-2617 Amy Wood - 734-2973.

Gorman Primitive Baptist Church has Services on 2nd - 3rd -4th Sundays. Services begin at 10:30 a.m. Elder Barry Brown, Pastor - Everyone Welcome To Attend.

The Order of the Eastern Star holds its regular stated meetings on the first Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. - Ann Jay, Worthy Matron - 734-2733 and Howard Hagood, Worthy Patron 734-



RETIRES - Eastland County Extension Program Council retiring officers recognized. Pictured (1 to r) Ronald Pope, Janice Williams and Benny Hagan.



Cross Plains Paint and Pallette Club **Art Show Slated**

The Paint and Palette Club of Cross Plains cordially invites you to enter our eighteenth annual art show. The artists works will be on display for public viewing Saturday, November 2nd, from 9 a. m. to 6 p. m. and Sunday, November 3, from 1 to 3:30 p. m. at the Cross Plains Community Center on Beech St. The cash awards ceremony and drawing for the door prize will be at 3?30 p. m. Sunday.

Paintings will be accepted for registration at the Community Center located on Beech St. directly north of the Multi-Purpose Center, Friday, Nov. 1st at 2 p. m. to 6 p. m.

A \$2.50 registration fee for adults will be required for each entry, with a limit of five entries. Each adult may enter the mini painting division, size 6x8 canvas or less for a \$1 fee per entry.

A \$2.50 registration feefor children will be required for each entry, with a limit of four entries.

Check-out time will be between 4 and 5 p. m. on Sunday, Nov. 3rd. Early check-outs not permitted.

Ribbons will be awarded for first, second, third and honorable emntion in each division at the discretion of THE GORMAN PROGRESS

Services For Leonard Steven Bruce Pearce **Buried Sunday Winfred Tucker Held Sunday** In Tuscola

Leonard Winfred Tucker, 100, of Cisco, passed away Friday, October 18th in a Cisco nursing home.

Services were held at 2 p. m. Sunday at Cisco Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Joe Philpott officiating. Burial was in Oakwood Ceme-

Mr. Tucker was a lifelong resident of Eastland Cpounty, a retired farmer and the widower of Bela Poe

He was a member of Pleasant Hill Baptist Church.

Survivors include a daughter, Dorothy Peters of Copperas Cove; a brother, Robert Tucker of Carbon; six grandchildren; and 13 greatgrandchildren.

the judge. A qualified judge has bee ns secured.

We are celebrating our eighteenth annual art show. Please come and help s celebrate. For further info please come and help us celebrate. For further info please contact: Marlene Sanders 725-7421 or Ozella Huddleston 725-6501.

Steven Bruce Pearce, 83, of Tuscola passed away Friday, October 18th

Services were held at 2:30 p. m. Sunday at First Baptist Church with Dr. T. C. Melton officiating. Burial was in the Tuscola Cemetery, directed by Fry-Bartlett Funeral Home.

Mr. Pearce was born in Belton and moved to Runnels County in 1915. After his marriage, he afrmed until 1951 and then went to work for Gandy's Dairies for 20 years in San Angelo, retiring in 1971. He had lived in Tuscola since 1978.

He was a member of the Wingate Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Becky Pearce of Tuscola; a son, O'Neal Pearce of Tuscola; two daughters, Melba Drennan of Pohoa, Hawaii, and Shirley Tatum of Abilene; two brothers, Robert Pearce of Abilene and Vernon Pearce of Fort Worth; two sisters, bessie Buchanan of Tuscola and Doris Bradshaw of Gorman; nine grandchildren; and 25 great-grandchildren.

Senior Citizens NEWS

By Mozelle Rhymes

Mrs. Linda Sherrod, Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Snider, Trenton and Tory from Ft. Worth spent Sunday with their mother and grandmother, E. J. Whitlock.

Edgar and Ruth Higginbottom are home after an enjoyable weeks visit in Seminole with their son and family - Ted, Rita, Amanda and Andrea. While there, they saw the peanut and cotton harvesting in "full swing". They also visited in Lubbock, Denver City, Midland and Hobbs, New Mexico. Rita brought them home and stayed to attend the services at the First United Methodist Church.

SENIOR CITIZENS THANKSGIVING DINNER THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14

Thanksgiving Dinner at the Senior Citizens Center will be at 11:30 a.m., Thursday, November 14th.

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By Zelda Jordan

The thunderstorms keep rumbling on... almost every night and early morning for several days to distrub one's sleep. There has been reports of from 3 and 1/2 inches to over five inces of rain in our area. Stopped the peanut harvest for a few days.

I can remember a year comparable to this in 1971 when we had a very rainy season in which to harvest our peanut crops. We dug peanuts in the mud, raked peanuts in the mud, and threshed peanuts in the mud trying to save as much of our crop as possible.

CODY AND JARAD FAILS HONORED WITH **BIRTHDAY PARTY**

Cody and Jarad Fails of Arlington were honored with a birthday party in the home of their grandparents, Jimmy and Verna Little, on Satur-

day, October 26. Cody was eleven on October 21, and Jarad will be six on December 19.

Balloons decorated the room, and the birthday cake was decorated in a balloon theme and was inscribed with "Happy Birthday Cody and Jarad". The cake was served with ice cream and punch.

Those attending to help Cody and Jarad celebrate were their mother, Nelda Fails, grandparents, Jimmy and Verna Little, Great-grandmothers, Mamie Little and Dora Garrett and other relatives James and Jill Little, Ray Neal, Melissa and Emily Little of Eastland, Earl and Betty Little, Bobby and Mary Jane Little, Charles and Carolyn Little. Caye and Zack Mauney of Abilene and Charla Little.

Cody, Jarad and Zack enjoyed the

Halloween Carnival and going trick or treating in Eastland on Saturday night.

BERNIECE RODGERS **ENJOYS VISIT IN KATY**

Berniece Rodgers spent two weeks visiting in the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Joyce and Neal Gilbert, and grandson, Glenn in Katy. While there, cousins Mr. and Mrs. Charles Burt of Houston came for a visit with her. She also enjoyed attending the Church Ladies luncheon with Joyce, and eating on Thursday night in a large Chinese restaurant, and several shopping trips in the Houston area.

Steve and Kim Gilbert of San Antonio, who had been to Galveston with a singing group from their church, came to Katy for a visit from Wednesday until Frdiay, and Berniece accompanied them to her home as they went to Abilene for a visit with Kim's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Hill.

Visitors at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday were Judy Porter and daughters, Scarlett, Amanda and Sarah Taylor, Nelda Fails, Cody and Jarad of Arlington, and Scotty, Caye and Zack Mauney of Abilene.

Since the time change back to standard time, the Sunday night services at the Kokomo Baptist Church will begin at 6:00 p.m. The Wednesday night service will remain at 7:00

Several from the community attended the reception honoring Bro. Jim and Brend Andrews on their 25th wedding anniversary at the Community Room at the Eastland National Bank on Saturday, Oct. 26. Bro. Andrews is a former pastor of the Kokomo Baptist Church.

Recent visitors with Anna Laura Clearman and her sister, Jessie McCaffety of Amarillo who is visiting here were another sister, Enda Sudduth of Winters, and her daughters, Joyce Choate of Abilene and Patsy Page of Merkel; Keith, Krystal and Klay Clearman of Ovalo. Edna Sudduth remained for a weeks visit with Mrs. Clearman and Mrs. McCaffety. Joyce and her husband

came for her on Saturday.

Jewel Huddleston of Comanche visited on Tuesday with her sister, Hope Joiner.

Joe and Glynda Bond visited with their sons, Shannon and Brian at Texas A&M University on Saturday and attended the A&M and Houston football game.

Judy, Scarlett, Amanda and Sarah Porter of Taylor spent the weekend with Oren and Norma Webb.

Scotty, Caye and Zack Mauney of Abilene visited during the weekend with their parents, Charles and Carolyn Little and Donnie and Nelda Mauney in Gorman.

Roy and Sylvia Buchanan of Clyde, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Pyeatt of Pasadena, Troy Scitern, Anna Laura Clearman, Ruth Bryant and Hope Joiner and Doris Bradshaw of Gorman were visitors of Mrs. Albert Hendricks.

Bro. Joe O'Neal and Nancy Hendricks visited with Daisy Wood at Eastland. Mrs. Wood's son, Gene Wood of Odessa suffered a stroke

and has been a patient in the Odessa Medical Center. Mrs. Hendricks has received word that he has improved some. We send get well wishes to

Gary and Tena Danley of Ft. Worth, Jimmy, Maggie and Teresa Nelson of Stephenville and Jim and Ann Wiley and Justin were visitors with Clifford and Lurline Nelson.

Visitors with Dora Garrett were Nelda, Cody and Jarad Fails of Arlington, Jimmy and Verna Little, Jill Little, Lois Collins and Ruth Bryant.

Glen and I enjoyed a brief visit with Donnie Parker of Gorman and her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Parker of Colorado City at Catfish Corner at Carbon on Friday night. The Parkers are former residents of Kokomo. We also had a nice visit with Ben Rollins and Merle

Johnnie B. Griffith has returned from a visit in Midland with Ken and Janie Riley, Scott, Chad and Lara. While there she got to see Scott and Chad play ball.

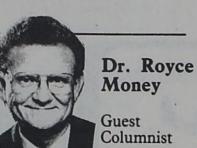
Student loan fund is a good

exans love a man who pulls himself up by the bootstraps. And with good reason - self-sufficiency is an admirable trait. But most of us could use a little help now and

Since 1965, the state of Texas has helped its college students, strapped for money, get a firmer grip on education through the Hinson-Hazelwood College Student Loan Program. The state loans low- and middle-income students money to pay for college, and when the students are finished with school, they pay it back. The loans help students invest in their own future at their own expense — the bootstrap theory.

In the upcoming Nov. 5 state election, voters will have the opportunity to ensure that Texas students continue to have a chance to help themselves. Proposition 13 on the ballot would authorize the sale of \$300 million of state bonds to continue the 26-year-old Hinson-Hazelwood College Student Loan Program.

The bond sale is needed because Hinson-Hazelwood has basically loaned out all its money. The program's annual volume of loans has increased from \$12 million in 1986 to almost \$80 million in 1990.



When these loans are due, students will pay them back. But in the meantime, the program needs additional money to loan or it will run dry by the end of March 1992. If the program dries up, as many as 15,000 Texas college students could be forced to drop out of college or cancel plans to enroll this year. But if Proposition 13 authorizes this sale of bonds, Hinson-Hazelwood

in reach of Texans. Selling bonds is the principal method the state of Texas uses to borrow money. Unlike state bonds for financing prisons or the superconducting super collider, student loan bonds are self-supporting, or what you might call "bootstrap bonds." That means they are paid back, with interest, by borrowers - not by state taxpayers.

will continue putting education

Almost all Texas student loans are insured by the federal

government, so repayment to the state is guaranteed even if the student defaults on the payment. The few loans not guaranteed by the federal government or the state require a co-signer who can be held responsible for the loan if the student doesn't pay it back.

The national default rate for student loans is 16 percent. But Texas' loan program has only a 6 percent default rate. That means 94 percent of the students who have borrowed money through the program have paid back the loan, with interest. If a 94 percent payback rate doesn't sound high, ask someone in the savings and loan industry.

As college education costs rise and federal financial aid falls, the state's support of its students is imperative. The economic development of Texas is enhanced by a well-educated citizenry. The proposed issuance of bonds will promote college attendance and ultimately contribute to the state's economy.

Opponents of Proposition 13 say that Texas should not sink further into debt by issuing these bonds. This argument is noble, yet misconceived. Of our nation's 50 states, Texas ranks 49th in terms of debt per capita. And the debt incurred by making these federally guaranteed student loans should be welcomed. In the

past these loans not only have been paid back in full, but interest from the loans has created an income for the state of \$75 million.

Despite overwhelming vocal support and logic as an ally, this bond issue was defeated at the polls earlier this year. Experts attribute the defeat to a lack of information and

misunderstanding concerning the state's student loan program. Voters confused the Hinson-Hazelwood program with the federal student loan program, which has a much higher default rate. Voters also may have mistakenly believed that approval of the amendment would result in a tax hike or other cost to the state - not true.

The type of self-help promoted by Proposition 13 is what the state of Texas was founded on and what it needs to blaze into the future. Continuing to make higher education available to our youth is in the state's best

Voting "yes" on Proposition 13 is a way for Texans and Texas to grab a bootstrap and pull.

Dr. Royce Money, 49, is preside tof Abilene Christian University.

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Desdemona News

By Vonnie Guthery

THE OLD FAMILY OUT-HOUSE

Do you remember the little building that set out by the barn? That old family out-house that weathered every storm. A fancy old "two-holer" with last year's catalog ---Where the wind blew with mercy, through the knot-holes in the wall.

We'd carry the coal-oil-lamp at night, if we had "to go". Try to keep the lamp and flame from the wind, the rain or snow. Sometimes the wind would blow it out; be left in the dark To hurry down the well-worn pahty of sawdust, chips and bark.

Next morning after Halloween, most every year we'd find the old out-house turned over - - - boys had a good-old-time. Pa would get some help to set it up, and then say with a grin, "Guess the old out-house will make it 'till the spooks come back again."

The old out-house has had its day; not many left to see, But it has served its purpose, for folk like you and me. Remember all those "good-old-days" when the weather seemed much colder; When we hurried down the pathway to that famous old two-holer.

Yes, life has changed, it's not the same - - - - without that old two-holer.

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Have a Safe and Happy Halloween.

Vonnie Guthery.

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