

Susan Snider and Clay Wheat Pledge Nuptials December 27



Susan Delyn Snider, daughter of Ted and Charlotte Snider of Gorman, and Clay Wheat, son of Buck and Barbara Wheat of Eastland, exchanged wedding vows on December 27th at the First Baptist Church in Gorman with the Rev. Joe O'Neal performing the ceremony, assisted by Lee Rodgers of the Harmony Baptist Church. The ceremony took place at 10 a. m. with a traditional ceremony before some 200 guests.

Susan is a graduate of Gorman High School and Tarleton State University and is employed by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service as a secretary. Clay is a graduate of Eastland High School and Texas A&M University. He is employed with Buck Wheat Resources in Eastland.

The bride wore a high necked gown with a bodice of beaded lace with a dropped pointed waistline with a large bow at the back. The puffed sleeves were tapered to a point at the wrists and was also of beaded lace. The taffeta cathedral length train was trimmed at the bottom with a matching lace.

The Maid of Honor was Stephanie Snider, sister-in-law of the bride, of

Gorman. The bridesmaid was Cheri Troutman, a friend of Gorman.

Groomsman was Kevin Ricketts of New Orleans, La, a friend of the groom. Best Man was Gary Wheat, brother of the groom, from Ranger.

The mother and father of the bride gave the bride away. Ushers were Jamie Snider, brother of the bride, of Gorman, and Jackie Williamson, brother-in-law of the groom from Eastland.

Christmas music was played and Buck Wheat and Sherry Williamson sang "If That Isn't Love" and at the end Buck sang "The Lord's Prayer".

The bridesmaids dresses were of burgandy and green floral and featured two piece tapestry with long puffed sleeves and accented at the waist with a large bow.

A reception was given by the bride at the church following the ceremony. The rehearsal dinner was given by the groom at the Lone Cedar Country Club.

The couple are at home at Route 1, Box 163, Ranger following a wedding trip to Fort Worth.

Both the bride and groom were raised in Eastland County area.

Dewey Keesee Announces For Pct. 5 Constable

I am taking this opportunity to announce my candidacy for re-election to the office I presently hold as Constable of Precinct 5, Eastland County.

Over the past years I have had the privilege of knowing many of you, both as neighbors and as your Constable during my tenure in that office.

I am beginning my 12th year in law enforcement. I believe my residential familiarity with Eastland County has increased my ability to fulfill the duties of Constable in an efficient and responsive manner. I wish to continue serving the people of Precinct 5 in that capacity.

Your vote and support on March 10th will be greatly appreciated.

Dewey Keesee
—GP—

Arlie Delton Taylor Buried Friday At Oakland Cemetery

Arlie Delton Taylor, 75, of Gorman passed away Tuesday, January 14 in the Eastland Memorial Hospital.

Graveside services were held at 1 p. m. Friday at Oakland Cemetery with the Rev. Ron Carroll officiating, directed by Higginbotham Funeral Home.

Mr. Taylor was born in Comanche County and was a longtime resident of Gorman. He was a Baptist and a mechanic.

Survivors include his wife, Jessie Lee Taylor of Eastland; two sons, Johnnie Taylor of Blanket and Freddie Joe Taylor of Houston; a daughter, Anna Joyce Schonfeld of Houston; a brother, Robert Lee Taylor of California; a sister, Velma Ridout of Houston; and several grandchildren.

—GP—

A New Son Born To Johnny and Phyllis Dorsett

Johnny Dean Dorsett was born on Monday, January 20th at the De Leon Memorial Hospital. He weighed 7 pounds and 2 ounces.

Johnny has two older sisters, Leann Irene, age 2, and Rebecca Lynn, age 1.

His parents are Johnny and Phyllis King Dorsett of Gorman. Maternal grandparents are Jack and Sandra Robinson of De Leon. Maternal great-grandmother is Edra Moorehead of De Leon. Paternal grandparents are Jimmy Don and Jeanne Eaves Dorsett of Gorman, and paternal great-grandfather is Marvin Dorsett of Gorman.

—GP—

CARD OF THANKS

We would like to thank our family for hosting the reception in honor of our 50th wedding anniversary. To everyone who attended, for every phone call, for each lovely card and every beautiful gift, we are especially grateful.

You made it a "very special day" for us.

John and Lora Faye Warren

Imports of peanuts are to be controlled and limited to 3 percent, under the agreements, he said.

Having the president make trade an issue is a plus, even though the recent trip abroad did not meet expectations, Stenholm said.

He urged his listeners to "keep letting Congress know," your opinions. Congressmen need to know how their constituents feel on the issues facing the nation.

WITH FRIENDS

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hudson spent the weekend in Sundown with her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Snooks Craddock, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Craddock, the Bob Craddocks and the Bubba McDaniels.

Ada Whatley Celebrates 105th Birthday January 17



Ada Whatley celebrated her 105th Birthday - January 17th at Canterbury Villa of De Leon. She was honored with a reception. Happy Birthday Ada!

The U. S. economy is "sick" Stenholm said, and added that he has sincere concerns that protectionism (trade rules) would make it worse. "There are no quick fixes", he said.

Stenholm said he will continue to work to improve the peanut program and that in his opinion there is more to gain over the long term with free and fairer trade.

This year's imports of peanuts was not necessary in Stenholm's opinion. He feels imports should be brought in to fill definite shortages, with people from the industry setting in on meetings before those imports are allowed.

Gorman Cagers Defeat May In District Games; Play At Eula Friday Night

The Gorman basketball teams both won over the May cage teams on Friday night in key District games. The Pantherettes defeated May 64 to 40, and the Panthers won by a margin of 97 to 6.

In the girls action the Pantherettes got off to a 16 to 10 first quarter lead, then exploded for 19 more points in the second to take a 35 to 19 lead at halftime. The Panthers came back with 19 more points in the third period while holding the Lady Tigers to 9 for a 54 to 28 advantage. Gorman then added another 10 points in the fourth for their 64 to 40 win.

Jana Norris of the Gorman Jana Norris of the Gorman Pantherettes has been named as the Abilene-Reporter-News basketball Player of the Week. Norris, a 5-8 senior, exploded for 35 points in Gorman's 64 to 40 District 19A victory Friday over May. She also recorded 11 rebounds, 12 assists and six steals.

In the boys action the Panthers tossed in 21 points to May's 16 in the initial period, then added another 21 in the second while May was scoring 17 for a 42 to 33 lead at the intermission. The Big Red then exploded for 23 points in the third

and 34 in the final period to blow out the Tigers 97 to 61 in the District game.

Cory Pack had a fantastic night with 41 points. Steve Taylor pumped in 27. Jason Ditmore added 15. Jonray Childers and Madera each hit 4, and Chris Laminack, Neely Carter and Jade Warren each had 2.

This win gives the Panthers a 12-8 season mark and they are 2-1 in district play.

In the JV action the Gorman boys defeated May 39 to 20.

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In the Pantherettes 57 to 39 district win Tlast Tuesday night over Baird, Norris grabbed 14 rebounds, tossed in 19 points and had nine assists and five steals.

Cory Pack of the Gorman Panthers

was one of those considered as nominees as the boys Player of the Week. Pack is also a senior at GHS.

—GP—

Dallas J. Jobe Buried Wednesday Gorman Cemetery

Dallas J. Jobe, 92, passed away Monday, January 20 in the Stephenville Hospital.

Services were held at 3 p. m. Wednesday in the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. James Haynes officiating. Burial was in Gorman Cemetery.

Mr. Jobe was a farmer and a Methodist. He was the widower of Mary Evelyn Baker Jobe.

Survivors include a son, Doyle "Pinky" Jobe of Gorman; a sister, Faye Raines of Lubbock; two brothers, Fred Jobe of Lubbock and Jack Jobe of San Antonio; four grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Gorman Stock Show Results

The following is a complete list of participants showing animals in the Gorman Stock Show held on Saturday at the school:

Breeding Gilts: 1. John Mart Stephens; 2. Reece Clark; 3. Samantha Stephens; and 4. Janice Glover.

Chester Gilts: 1. Ashley Laminack (Showmanship); 2. Mindy Laminack; and 3. Donald Majors.

Spot Gilts: 1. Ashley Rich. Yorkshire Gilts: 1. Ashley Laminack; 2. Cole Sandlin; 3. Jason Warren.

Duroc Gilts: 1. Jennifer Scitern; 2. Donald Majors.

Hampshire Gilts: 1. Kendra Roberts (Show); 2. Shane Caraway (Show); 3. Melissa Tarver; 4. Blake Guthery (Show); 5. Jason Rich; 6. Keri Scitern; 7. J. J. Clark; 8. Mindy Laminack (Show); 9. Christina Mauney; 10. Shannon Mauney; 11. Don Mauney; and 12. Jason Warren.

Cross Gilts: 1. Shannon Mauney (Show); 2. John Mart Stephens (Show); 3. Reece Clark (Show); 4. Don Mauney; 5. Melissa Tarver; 6. Christina Mauney; 7. Justin Patel; and 8. Scott Scitern.

Breeding Grand Champion Gilt: Ashley Laminack; Breeding Reserve Champ Gilt: Ashley Rich.

MARKET SHOW

Berkshire: 1. John Mart Stephens; 2. J. J. Clark; 3. Kris Laminack (shown by Reece Clark); 4. Diana Glover; 5. Reece Clark; 6. Janis Glover; and 7. Samantha Stephens.

Chester: 1. Jason Rich; 2. Shane Caraway; 3. Mindy Laminack; 4. Ashley Laminack; 5. Donald Majors.

Spots: 1. Diana Glover (Show); 2. Ashley Rich; 3. John Mart Stephens; 4. Samantha Stephens; 5. Marty McCormick; 6. Pam Osborne.

Yorkshire: 1. Ashley Laminack; 2. Keri Scitern; 3. Cole Sandlin; 4. Jason Warren; 5. Clay Sandlin; 6. Justin Patel.

Duroc Heavy: 1. Chris Laminack; 2. Annette Love; 3. Levi Roberts; 4. Jennifer Scitern; 5. Heather Sandlin; 6. J. J. Clark; 7. Cole Sandlin; and 8. Scott Scitern.

Duroc Light: 1. Clay Sandlin (Show); 2. Donna Majors (shown by Melissa Mayfield); 3. Kevin Scitern; 4. Donna Majors.

Duroc: Market Grand Champion: Chris Laminack; Market Reserve Champion: Clay Sandlin.

Hampshire Light: 1. Shane Caraway; 2. Reece Clark; 3. Melissa Tarver; 4. Jason Rich; 5. Mindy Laminack; 6. Cari Daniels; 7. Christina Mauney; 8. Don Mauney; 9. Shannon Mauney; and 10. Jason Warren.

Hampshire Heavy: 1. Kris Scitern (Show); 2. Kendra Roberts; 3. John Mart Stephens; 4. Ashley Rich; 5. Blake Guthery; 6. Samantha Stephens; 7. Janis Glover; 8. Brent Skaggs; 9. Shannon Mauney; 10. Travis Fraley; 11. J. J. Clark; and 12. Reece Clark (shown by John Mart Stephens).

Hampshire Grand Champion: Shane Caraway; Hampshire Reserve Champion: Kris Scitern.

Lightweight Cross: 1. Kevin Scitern; 2. Don Mauney; 3. Justin Patel; and 4. Jennifer Scitern.

Heavy Cross: 1. Shane Caraway; 2. Jason Rich; 3. Shane Caraway (shown by John Stephens); 4. Kenneth Rainey; 5. Shannon Mauney; 6. Reece Clark; 7. Melissa Tarver; 8.

Mark Glover; 9. Christina Mauney.

Cross Grand Champion: Shane Caraway; Cross Reserve Champion: Kevin Scitern.

Overall Champion: Shane Caraway, shown by Reece Clark. Reserve Champion: Shane Caraway.

Showmanship (Senior Division): John Mart Stephens; (6th, 7th & 8th Grade): Reece Clark; (Junior): (3rd, 4th 5th grades): Christina Mauney.

Heavy Weight Medium Wool: 1. Mindy Laminack; 2. Jennifer Scitern; 3. Ashley Laminack; 4. Ashley Rich; 5. Scott Scitern; 6. Shane Caraway; 7. Annette Love; 8. Chasta Underwood; and 9. Pam Osborne.

Breeding Class Champion: Mindy Laminack; Reserve Champion: Jennifer Scitern; Kris Scitern; Shane Caraway.

Market Class: Grand Champion Lamb: Mindy Laminack; Reserve Champion: Kris Scitern.

Lamb Showmanship: Junior Division: Ashley Rich; 6-7-8 Grades: Mindy Laminack; Senior Division: Don Mauney.

Chickens: 1. Robert Darley; 2. Ashley Rich; 3. Janice Glover; 4. John Mart Stephens; 5. Jason Rich; 6. Rachel Smith; 7. Ashley Laminack; 8. Shane Caraway; 9. Marty McCormick; 10. Chris Laminack; 11. Tim Fox; 12. Chris Fox; 13. Samantha Stephens; 14. Diana Glover; 15. Mindy Laminack; 16. Annette Love; 17. Cody Foster; 19. Kevin Scitern; 20. Scott 21. Jennifer Scitern; 22. Shielia Hetrick.

Rabbits: 1. Melissa Tarver; 2. Brian Mayfield; and 3. Rachel Mayfield.

This was a very successful show and all the exhibitors are to be congratulated on their accomplishments.

Charles Modawell - Julie Williams To Pledge Vows



Cecil and Joanne Williams of Gorman have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Julie Lyn, to Jimmy Charles Modawell, son of Bill and Janice Modawell of Brownwood.

The bride-elect is a 1988 graduate of Gorman High School and is currently enrolled at Howard Payne University in Brownwood. Her fiancé is a 1987 graduate of Brownwood High School and is employed by Robertson's Rent-All in Brownwood.

The wedding is planned for 7:00 p.m., February 22 at Southside Baptist Church, 1219 Indian Creek Road, Brownwood, Texas with the Rev. Bill Johnson officiating.

Reporter-News' All-Area Class A team

OFFENSE
Player of the year — David Daniel, Rotan, RB, 5-6, 155, Sr.

QB — Eric Smith, Rotan, 5-9, 165, Jr.

RB — Jason Ditmore, Gorman, 5-9, 182, Sr.; Wes Latham, Throckmorton, 5-11, 180, Jr.; Colby Walker, Cross Plains, 6-4, 210, Sr.

TE — Armando Rodriguez, Knox City, 5-10, 170, Jr.

WR — London Alls, Rotan, 5-7, 155, Sr.

OL — Chris Scott, Munday, 5-11, 195, Sr.; Joe Don Helm, Roby, 5-10, 250, Sr.; Grant Kinsey, Rotan, 5-8, 160, Sr.; J.P. Martinez, Rotan, 5-5, 150, Sr.; Martin Chavira, Roscoe, 5-10, 210, Sr.

DEFENSE
Player of the year — Jody Brown, Cross Plains, DB, 6-1, 190, Sr.

DL — Jesse Garcia, Rotan, 6-0, 215, Sr.; Chris Key, Munday, 5-10, 180, Sr.; Matthew Harmon, Rising Star, 6-0, 195, Sr.; Jason Dean, Santa Anna, 6-3, 237, Sr.

LB — Phillip Hernandez, Santa Anna, 5-11, 171, Sr.; Alan Jones, Throckmorton, 5-9, 180, Sr.; Herman Zavala, Rotan, 5-6, 140, Sr.

DB — Kris Scitern, Gorman, 5-7, 145, Jr.; Troy Carrillo, Rotan, 5-11, 165, Sr.; Jarrod Horton, Rising Star, 6-4, 220, Soph; Matthew Meadows, Baird, 6-1, 195, Sr.

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CANTERBURY VILLA NEWS

NANCY HENDRICKS - REPORTING

The January birthday party will be Thursday, January 30th at 2 p. m. Our honored residents are Iola Johnson, Pauline Love, Emma Shugart and Henry Rice. Family members and friends are welcome to attend. Refreshments and entertainment for all.

Those visiting Bro. Marion Dennis were Opal and Arnold Burton, Billy Joe and Joyce Dennis, Robert Abbott James and Ruby Lee Kinser, Alford Shugart, Wayne Chandler, Era Maupin, Henry Rice, Euell Poynor, Doyle Poynor, Annie Dennis, Annie Faye Foster, Melba Frasier and Joe O'Neal.

On Saturday morning there were 16 residents out for church by Rev. Joyce Dennis, Rev. Joe O'Neal and Robert Abbott, Cynthia Earles and Ida Lewis led prayers.

Those visiting Emma Shugart and S. D. Gilmore were Alford Shugart, Dixie Pack, Durwood Webb, Idell Warren, Modess Burgess.

At 2:30 Sunday those coming from the Kokomo Baptist Church were Rev. and Mrs. Clarence Wilson, Johnnie B. Griffith, Wynelle Brown, Glenda and Joe Bond, Hope Joiner, Joe O'Neal, Wanda Rainey and Denzel and Fay Ables.

Those visiting Lucille Campbell were Mr. and Mrs. Lane Campbell, Ethyl Weaver, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Campbell, Eunice Love of Ranger.

MATTIE TARVER passes away
We regret the loss of Mattie Tarver, 93, who passed away Tuesday mornings services were at 10 a. m. at Stephenville Funeral Home with Bro. Curtis Maness of Gorman officiating. Burial was in Stephenville.

Survivors include two sons, Sam Dodd Tarver, Sr. of Gorman and Robert Tarver of Pecos; two daughters, Louise Parsons of Prescott, Ariz. and Mary Ellen Kennedy of San Benito; 19 grandchildren and 32 great-grandchildren.

Lonnie Raybourne of Scotland visited Nancy Holloway.

On Sunday at 4 p. m. those coming from the Church of Christ were Bro. Curtis Maness, Bro. T. A. Grice, Janda and Tracey Talor, Kathy, Jenn, Samantha and Tana Goode, Dee Smithey, Juanita Files, Georgie and Frankie Stacy, Zina Simpson, Odie Brightwell, Folydene Gilbert, Clara Mae Frossard and Zina Simpson.

Those visiting Lorene Jay were Bobby Jay, Mayvis Lasater, Brent and Jean Lasater, Claudia and Tgorman Jay, Evelyn Rodgers, Linda Weaver, John Ross and Rhyne Rodgers of Midlothian.

On Monday morning eight residents had exercises, word games and a spelling bee led by Joy Campbell.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Jones of Dublin visited Eulon Perry.

On Monday Joy Campbell had bingo. Players were Emma Shugart, S. D. Gilmore, Kenneth Walker, Ora Mae Atchison, Erwin Miere, Jess Hallmark, Veno Hale, Ida Lewis,

Garnet Adams, Henry Rice, Gertie Leeper, Ruby Vandergriff and Cynthia Earles.

Those visiting Varona Taylor were Dee Smithey, Bro. Curtis Maness, Jaunita Files, Purnia Faye Smith, Zina Simpson and dora Faye Brewer.

NURSING ASSISTANT TRAINING PROGRAM

Instructor Mrs. Faye Gaeta, LVN, now has eight students at Canterbury Villa. They are Soyla De La Torre, Maria Torres, Tona Warren, Maria Reyna, Sylvia Salinas, Norma Dennis, Teresa Truyello and Maria Martinez.

Those visiting Dorothy Beaty were A. L. and Helen Denton and Vada Collins of San Angelo.

On Tuesday morning 15 residents played shuffle board. The ladies beat the men. Joy helped in the game.

Those visiting Ida Lewis were Joe O'Neal, Ora Lee Lawrence, Sue Seaton, Lucille Broom, Irene Hallmark, Daisy Slaton, Eunice Love, Velsie Rawson, Lavoyce Hirst and Joy Campbell.

Those coming for the Tuesday singing were Willo Rice, Melba Frasier, Nancy Hendricks, Anna Rush, Annie Faye Foster, Dorothy Roberts, Ernestine Campbell, Velma Bennett, Ethyl Weaver, Archie Skaggs, Billie Stacy, Oma Dee Garrett and Joy Campbell.

Bill, Molly and Amber Fairbetter of Abilene visited Junior Fairbetter.

On Wednesday Mrs. Willo Rice of Merriman Baptist brought the devotional.

Those visiting Annie and Veno Hale were Betty Little, Mamie Little, Joan Fraley and Betty Sanders.

On Wednesday Nancy Hendricks came and helped with bingo. Winners were Veno Hale, Garnet Adams Dorothy Beaty, Jess Hallmark, Iola Johnson, Gertie Zleeper, Henry Rice, Ora Mae Atchison, Ida Lewis, Erwin Miere, Kenneth Walker and Cynthia Earles.

Those visiting Mae Quinn and Cleo Clement were Archie Skaggs, Marie White, Bernice Farley, Sue Seaton, Glenn and Shirley Clement and Mayvis Lasater.

On Thursday we had chapel with Bro. Dewey Bailey for 16 residents. Oma Dee Garrett and Norma Tedford and Eunice Love visited Gertie Leeper.

Bill and Louise Taylor of Cisco visited Henry Rice.

On Friday morning those coming for the musical were Bernard and Ann Keith of Desdemona, Bernice Farley of Rockv Bluff, Dewey Bailey. About 30 residents and Joy Campbell attended.

Those visiting Homer Wood were

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Rawson of Cisco and Daisy Slaton.

On Thursday afternoon Joy made a fire in the fireplace and had dominoe games. Fifteen residents enjoyed hot chocolate and popcorn.

Nell Scott visited her mother, Irene Hebert.

On Friday winners in bingo were Veno Hale; Ruby Vandergriff, Jess Hallmark, Gertie Leeper, Iola Johnson, Henry Rice, Garnet Adams, Cynthia Earles, Ida Lewis, Erwin Miere, Ora Mae Atchison, Kenneth Walker, Nancy Hendricks and Irene Hallmark helped.

Ima Lee Fair of zStephenville visited Ruby Vandergriff.

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

Vickie Hallmark of Odessa and Irene Hallmark visited Jess Hallmark.

We appreciate the nice bingo prizes sent to us from Maurine Coleman.

Those visiting Cody and Pauline Love were Eunice Love of Ranger, Willadean Ormasby of Stephenville, Dee Smithey, Carol Ervin of Desde-

DESDEMONA NEWS

VONNIE GUTHERY
PHONE 75802665

Desdemona Monthly Musical will be held Saturday night, January 25th at the Community Center. The concession booth will have sandwiches, drinks and homemade pies. Area musicians and friends are invited.

Josephine Dutton, age 85, formerly of De Leon, was buried in the Evant Cemetery on January 18th. The Dutton family lived in Desdemona area in the late 1940's. The sons, Hugh and Dan Dutton, attended school in Desdemona. Hugh and Dan are now deceased. She is survived by one son, James Dutton of Sierra Vista, Arizona.

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Dorothy Johnson is our new representative for the Gorman Area. If you need Dorothy, you may reach her at 817-734-2367.

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Kayla Carlock of Gorman, a recent graduate of Stenograph Institute of Texas in Abilene, has successfully passed a professional competency examination for state licensing as a Certified Shorthand Reporter (CSR). The day-long examination process is administered in Austin by the Texas Court Reporters Certification Board.

In addition to an extensive written knowledge test, the examinees must demonstrate their machine shorthand (steno) proficiency by writing oral dictation of one-voice literary and jury charge material and two-voice (question and answer) testimony verbatim at speeds up to 225 words per minute. The examinees must be able to transcribe the dictation with a minimum accuracy of 95 percent for certification.

A 1982 graduate of Gorman High School, Kayla is the wife of Jim Carlock of Abilene.

Kayla is presently working for a free-lance firm in San Angelo.

She is the daughter of Sanay Warren of Gorman.

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Kimberly Broom Listed On Honor Roll At ASU

Kimberly A. Broom of Gorman, a student attending Angelo State University in San Angelo, is listed on the honor roll for the fall semester at the university.

Ms. Broom, an accounting major at ASU, is listed on the 3.50 to 4.00 honor roll.



Irene West and our teacher and hostess, Winnell Browning, with Mayvis Lasater helping.

The meeting was dismissed with prayer by Annie Faye Foster.

Countians asked for input on prison at public meeting Sat.

RANGER - Eastland County and area citizens are invited and encouraged to attend a public meeting on Saturday, January 25, 1992, 2:00 p.m., in the Ranger school cafeteria. The item to be discussed is the prison which the City of Ranger has made application for.

Due to the decline in the economy of Ranger and Eastland County, the City of Ranger applied for a prison in the hopes of bringing some type of industry

to the area, either in the form of a prison or a drug rehabilitation facility. The type of prison applied for is a 1,000-bed medium minimum security facility and would employ in excess of 300 people. Since a prison in Ranger would benefit all of Eastland County, Strawn and the surrounding area, city officials are requesting the attendance of Eastland countians and area citizens to get everyone's input on the issue.

This will be an opportunity to become more educated on items pertaining to a prison being located in the county.

Bringing some type of industry to Eastland County could be beneficial to the county's survival.

For further information, contact Patti or Delbert Cozart at 647-3963; Ken Parrack at 647-3022 or 647-5265; or Joyce Dugan at 647-3274 or 647-1894.

The greatest recorded temperature rise in two minutes occurred in Spearfish, S.D. on Jan. 22, 1943. The temperature was -4 degrees F. at 7:30 a.m. and at 7:32 it rose to 45 degrees F.

The Commission will research the request of C. E. Jarrett for the possible lease or sale of a small area of land. No action was taken and Mr. Jarrett will be placed on the agenda for the January 16, 1992 meeting.

A discussion was held on the need of additional "temporary" office help. An advertisement will be placed in The Gorman Progress for such help.

The Commission heard a request from James Duane Herron stating he would like to reconsider his resignation. He was informed by the Commission that action had already been taken on his resignation. If he is interested in the vacant position within the police dept. he should submit an application regarding the position.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8 p. m.

These minutes were taken by Ann Maxfield as Debra Clark, City Secretary, was absent due to family illness.

Actions of City Commission Meeting of January 9th

The Gorman City Commission met in regular session on January 9th with the following present: Mayor Jack Simpson, and Commissioners John Rice, Ann Maxfield, Johnny Smith and Howard Hagood.

Others present were Municipal Judge V. O. Huff; supervisor of Public Works Joe Williams; Chief of Police Brett Ashley; Jimmy Bryan; Robert Ervin; C. E. Jarrett; and Sue Tarver.

The meeting opened at 6:03 p. m.

The minutes were approved as corrected to show "the cost of professional liability for the Mayor, City Commissioners, and employees to be \$2,150.00", by motion of John Rice, seconded by Johnny Smith. Motion carried 4-0.

Judge V. O. Huff presented his report for the month of December, 1991. Joe Williams presented a report on public works for December 1991. He stated a need for crushed rock to repair washes for streets damaged from recent heavy rains. Also, he requested use of the "old fire hall" garage area for storage. The December 1991 report of the Police Dept. was presented by Chief Brett Ashley.

The written resignation of Officer James Duane Herron was read by Mayor Simpson, said resignation bearing a date of 1-9-92. A motion was made by Howard Hagood, seconded by Ann Maxfield, to accept Officer Herron's resignation. Motion carried 4-0.

A discussion was held regarding the possibility of Dewey Keesee serving the City of Gorman on a volunteer basis for patrol duty. If this is done Mr. Keesee will use the City's patrol car.

The matter of employing an officer to replace the vacant position was discussed. After an exchange of comments Chief Ashley left the meeting room, returning shortly to place his badge on the table. No action was taken on the vacancy.

A motion to approve and pay only the bills due before the next meeting was made by Howard Hagood, seconded by John Rice. Motion carried 4-0.

The TCI/Lease was placed in

abeyance as were the following items: increase of wages, free services to employees, and Ordinance No. 315-second reading.

A motion was made by Howard Hagood, seconded by Ann Maxfield, that Arlton Smith be Director/Co-ordinator of Emergency Management for the City of Gorman. Motion carried 4-0.

The possibility of a drop box for payments met with favorable consideration and will be looked into by the Commission.

A motion was made by Howard Hagood, seconded by Johnny Smith, to pass the Resolution, as read, giving the City of Gorman authorization to request assistance in basic site planning for a city park from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Dept. Motion carried 4-0.

Mayor Simpson explained future payments from the State Comptroller for sales tax, etc. will be made to the depository for the City of Gorman by a direct deposit certificate.

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There was a good crowd at the First Baptist Church last Sunday. It was Carbon's day to have church services at Canterbury Villa in Gorman Sunday afternoon. Those attending were Bro. Keith Henson, Truitt and Pat Spruill, C. O. and Elizabeth Sandlin and Billie Stacy.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim McHGAh, Lindsey and Ally of Eastland visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Royce McGaha, and attended the morning services at the Baptist Church.

Craig and B. J. Wood of Littlefield visited last weekend with his parents Wilbourne and Martha Wood.

Mike and Lesa Bledsoe and Chelsea visited last weekend with Marty and Becky Morgan of Copperas Cove.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Guy and Dorothy Jackson attended the Golden Wedding Anniversary of John and Lora Faye Warren of Gorman. We wish them many more happy years together.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Roy McDaniel of Granbury, Kenneth and Jan McDaniel of Athens and Mr. and Mrs. Leo McDaniels of Abilene visited over the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. J. L. McDaniel and J. C.

The Leo McDaniels visited with Mr. and Mrs. Duane McDaniel and R* Lee McDaniel Sunday afternoon.

Kenny Halford of Arlington visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Halford, over the weekend.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hale were his nieces, Dr. and Mrs. Randy Hawthorn and family and Mr. and Mrs. Steve Hebert and boys of Crossett, Arkansas.

Shane Burgess of Lubbock is spending a few days with his parents Dick and Madge Burgess.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cagle recently were her brothers children, Dr. Lonnie Stanton of Harlingen, Ralena Stanton of San Angelo and Andy Stanton of El Paso. Also visiting the Cagles were their children, Jack and Darla Lowrance and Jikki, and Ronnie of Eastland and Ricky of Carbon.

Mr. Buster Johnson is out of the hospital and doing better. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Dicky and Melody Norris and David and Debbie Carruth have returned from Ruidosa, N. M. where

they went on a skiing trip. Mr. and Mrs. RTruitt Norris had the pleasure of staying with the grandchildren while they were away.

Dr. Kent and Ginger Walker of San Antonio were weekend guests of his parents, Dale and Tena Walker. Also visiting with the Walkers was Crickett Walker.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Henry Burns Sunday were George Daniel Wooley of Ranger and Cynthia Wooley and friend of Brownwood.

Mrs. Burns' daughter, Fannie Smith, is in the Methodist Hospital in Memphis, Tenn. where she has been very ill. We wish her a speedy recovery.

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Willing Workers Class Meets In Browning Home

On Tuesday evening the Willing Workers Class of the First Baptist Church met in the warm and lovely home of W. C. and Winnell Browning for our business meeting and fellowship.

After a delicious enchalada and salad supper with pecan pie and angle food cake and tea and coffee we took care of business. All reports were given and approved. There being no old business, we decided to make lap robes for residents of the nursing home as our project for this year. We always try to do a worthwhile and needed project during the year.

After so much good food for our bodies, Annie Faye Foster brought us some very good food for thought for our minds. She admonished us to ask God what kind of person He wants us to be and what just what He wants us to do. We all need to spend some time alone with God every day. Our goals need to be more Christ like in this new year He has given us. She then read us the poem "Heavens Grocery Store", which was so good for all of us to remember.

Those enjoying this were Annie Faye Foster, Grace Townley, Mayvis Lasater, Euna Porter, Lavenne Fonville, Iris Preston, Billie Bennett,

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Chamber Of Commerce Business Spotlight of Month Peanut Corporation of America



In the summer of 1975 a small sales organization headed up by Mr. Hugh S. Parnell out of Lynchburg, Virginia was selling chopped Peanuts to the Dairy Industry, primarily for their "NUTTY BUDDY" Ice Cream Cones. Mr. J. O. Jackson, then of Gorman, and a couple of local Gorman Peanut Farmers approached Mr. Parnell trying to sell him on the idea of utilizing their building on the outskirts of Gorman and putting up a processing plant for the purpose of roasting peanuts.

In the fall of 1976 with one small batch type peanut roaster they began this new business. Peanut Corporation of America (PCA), was incorporated with the purpose of Roasting and Chopping Peanuts primarily for the ice cream industry. It quickly became obvious that the Ice Cream business being so seasonal that Mr. Parnell had to broaden his customer base so as to be able to operate this plant on a year round basis. PCA quickly expanded into selling to the Baking and Candy Industry. Also at this time the Health Food Craze was just beginning to take off in California and Peanut Corporation quickly became one of the leaders in supplying this enormous market with peanuts for the Health Bars and Trail Mixes.

In that first year PCA employed 8 people and processed just over 250,000 lbs. of peanuts. The Parnell family has guided this operation so that now they are processing over 50,000,000 pounds of peanuts annually and employing around 70 persons at the Gorman location. The plant has grown from this small batch roaster to several Ultra Modern Continuous Dry Roasters as well as a new Continuous Oil Fryer which processes in excess of 5,000 lbs. per hour of Oil Roasted Peanuts. Also they can produce several truck loads per day of High Quality Peanut Butter which they market around the world.

At present time PCA is selling its Peanut Products in one form or another in probably every supermarket in the country. Peanut Corporation also has an outlet store on Hwy. 6 west of Gorman. Where you can get fresh roasted peanuts in flavors from Hot & Spicy to Sweet Honey, Peanut Butter, Roasted In-Shell peanuts and a variety of other tasty peanut products. We are happy to ship peanuts for you to friends and relatives anywhere.

All of the accounting and sales is still handled by the Parnell family in Lynchburg and as of recently, Mike and Jean Parnell have moved to the Gorman area to help oversee the Gorman operation. Eddie Torres has been the plant manager for two years. He lives in Stephenville with his wife, Delores and their two daughters. The Parnell family is very proud of what they have accomplished here in Gorman, Texas.

SCHOOL MENU

BREAKFAST

Monday - Rice, toast, juice and milk.
 Tuesday - Foudhnuts, juice and milk.
 Wednesday - Egga, bacon, toast, juice and milk.
 Thursday - Oatmeal, toast, juice and milk.
 Friday - Pancakes, sausage, syrup juice and milk.

LUNCH

Monday - Tuna sandwiches, carrot sticks, lettuce and tomato, apples, cookies and milk.
 Tuesday - Steak fingers, cream potatoes, green beans, gravy, hot rolls, cake and milk.
 Wednesday - Taco salad, cheese, lettuce, ranch beans, peaches, tortil-

Social Security Hikes Benefits - Raises Limits

Washington — The New Year has brought a 3.7 percent increase for Social Security beneficiaries, says U. S. Senator Phil Gramm.

"That brings the new maximum monthly payment to a worker who retired at age 65 to \$1,088," the senator said.

Gramm also noted that Social Security recipients "may now earn

more than ever" before becoming subject to the earnings limit. "Social Security beneficiaries younger than 65 may earn as much as \$7,440 a year before the so-called wearnings test is applied," he said. "And retirees aged 65 to 69 can now earn up to \$10,200 a year."

The change affects a rule which reduces Social Security payments to those who earn more than the limit.

la chips, hot sauce and milk.
 Thursday - Pizza, salad, corn, oranges and milk.
 Friday - Hamburgers, cheese, all the trimmings, rench fries, ice cream and milk.

Low-income households may be eligible for energy assistance

AUSTIN — Some low-income Texans may be eligible for help in paying heating bills this winter through the Home Energy Assistance Program, according to Texas Department of Human Services Interim Commissioner Burton F. Raiford.

Raiford said the one-time payment is available to many low-income households. Applications for energy assistance were mailed to households that received food stamps, Aid to Families with Dependent Children, or Supplemental Security Income in December. Other low-income individuals may request an application by calling the toll-free number 1-800-252-8060 during the enrollment period of Jan. 15 through Feb. 28.

Eligibility is determined by gross income and resources. Aid is available for a one-person household having less than \$662.49 gross income per month. The gross income limits are \$876.49 for

households of two persons, \$1,090.49 for three, \$1,304.49 for four, \$1,518.49 for five, and \$1,732.49 for six.

Households are eligible if the cost for heating is included in the rent payment or if the household pays part of its home energy costs.

Energy assistance checks are sent directly to the people who are eligible for assistance. However, the checks are made payable to the energy provider.

Someone receiving an energy assistance check should mail it or take it in person to the energy provider business office with their regular energy bill. The check can be cashed only by the energy provider. If the check is more than the energy bill, the additional amount will be credited to the person's account for the next month's bill. If the energy bill is higher than the check, the person is responsible for paying the difference.

Free Income Tax Advice For Area Residents

Free Income Tax assistance will be available for area residents during February, March and April, through the TAX-AIDE program of the American Association of Retired Persons.

Volunteer Counselors, trained by the Internal Revenue Service Certified Instructors, will be staffing counseling sites in all Senior Citizen Centers throughout REastland County from February 1 thru April 15th.

Walter Knowlden, Coordinator for the Central Texas area of the AARP TAX-AIDE Program, said the service is designed to help older persons and also taxpayers who are unable to afford professional advice. AARP Counselors will help them understand tax forms and help them to be familiar with the special benefits available.

The Counselors, many who have been in the Tax-Aide program for several years, receive 40 hours of training by IRS each year and are trained on all the new tax changes.

According to Mr. Knowlden, past experience has indicated that many older persons are unaware of special tax benefits they are entitled to claim. Many are paying more than they are required to pay. Some may not even be required to file a return because of limited income.

Taxpayers using the service should bring copies of their previous year's return and their forms for the current year. They should also bring with them all their W-2 and W-2P forms along with their 1099 forms regarding income received, including their 1099SSA form from Social Security. They should also have all their receipts of expenses, such as medical bills, prescription drugs, medical insurance for possible medical deductions. They will need to bring receipts of real estate taxes, mortgage interest and charitable contributions paid during the year so that all taxable deductions can be applied.

Counselors will be available, after February 1, at the Gorman Senior Citizens Center. You may telephone 734-2966 for appointment.

With more than 22 million members, AARP is the nations largest organization of Americans, 50 or older, with headquarters in Washington, D. C. The non-profit, non-p partisan organization offers a wide range of membership benefits, legislative representation at Federal and State levels, educational and community service programs carried out through a national network of volunteers.



4-H NEWS

KIRBY BUSH WINS COLORED TV SET

Kirby Bush, Eastland County 4-H Junior Leader from Rising Star, was an individual award winner at the West Texas Rehab Rock-A-Thon. Kirby had the second largest amount of collected donation money for Rehab, and was presented a colored TV with remote control.

Ten 4-H Junior Leaders participated in the Rehab fund raiser. The Eastland County 4-H Junior Leaders turned in \$511 in donations. Congratulations to Kirby for not only being a winner, but he collected \$197 in donations for West Texas Rehab.

Having a great evening of rocking in a rocking chair for 4 hours included: Jeremy Keith, Tommy Seay, Cathy Thomas, Kirby Bush, Michael Rabb, Jackie Powledge, Christy Arther and Josh Constancio. Relief rockers were Tommy Thompson, Ricky Agnew and Sam Curtis.

Parents who transported and enjoyed the evening at the West Texas Rehab Telethon were Fred and Nannette Keith, Thomas and Vicki Seay, Janet Thomas, Sharon Curtis, Arlene Thompson and Kathy Bush.

GREAT 4-H SUPPORT

WOW... what a turnout of 4-Hers! Some 60 4-Hers and parents participated in the Livestock Show Grounds Cleanup this past Saturday, January 11th.

EMERGENCY FUND RAISER!!

Eastland County 4-Hers will be

taking donations on one-half a hog. Proceeds will go to pay for new scales to weigh the 4-H animal projects.

The winners will be announced at the County Livestock Show on February 15th.

Everyone's support of this project will be appreciated.

4-H CONTEST TRAINING

WORKSHOP SET JANUARY 25

4-Hers and parents are urged to attend a training session on 4-H contests this coming Saturday, January 25th at 9:30 a. m. The meeting will be in the TU Electric Reddy Room in Eastland.

The 1992 4-H Contest Roundup Guides will be distributed. There are 41 contest events.

Contests provide opportunities for 4-Hers to gain subject matter knowledge and public speaking skills.

For additional information on livestock judging teams and method demonstration contests, Eastland County 4-Hers may contact Extension Agents Janet Thomas and Davey Vestal.

WELCOME DAVEY VESTAL!

Our new County Extension Agent-Agriculture began work on Monday, January 20th. Welcome aboard!!



Margaret Jones Rites Held in Wednesday

Margaret Lucille Jones, 76, of Athens, passed away Saturday in East Texas Medical Center in Athens.

Funeral services were held at 10 a. m. Wednesday at County Line Baptist Church with Rev. George Folmer and Rev. David McGee officiating. Interment was in Merideth Campground, directed by Eubank Funeral Home, Inc. of Canton.

She was a charter member of County Line Baptist Church and had lived in the Walton area for the past 50 years. Prior to that she lived in the Crossroad area of Henderson County. She was preceded in death by her husband, George Jones on June 5, 1980.

She is survived by two sons, Louie Jnes of Gorman and Raymond Jones of Athens; a daughter, Fayrene Fox of Waco; two sisters, Mrs. Beulah Howell of Columbia, La., and Mrs. Vera Ritter of Athens; and a brother, Homer Tanner of Houston.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

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 Senior Citizens Center from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

MASONIC DEGREE

The Eastland Masonic Lodge will confer an Entered Apprentice Degree, Friday, January 24th at 7:00 p.m. All Mason are invited. The Eastland Lodge is located in Pogue Industrial Park.

The Gorman Peanut Festival Committee meets on the Second Wednesday of Each Month at 8:00 p.m. in the School Cafeteria. Make plans to come to the meeting.

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

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.

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

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 734-2977..

NANCY TROUT WILL BE IN GORMAN THE THIRD WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT THE CITY OFFICE TO RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VISIT WILL BE FEBRUARY 19TH FROM 9 - 12 NOON.

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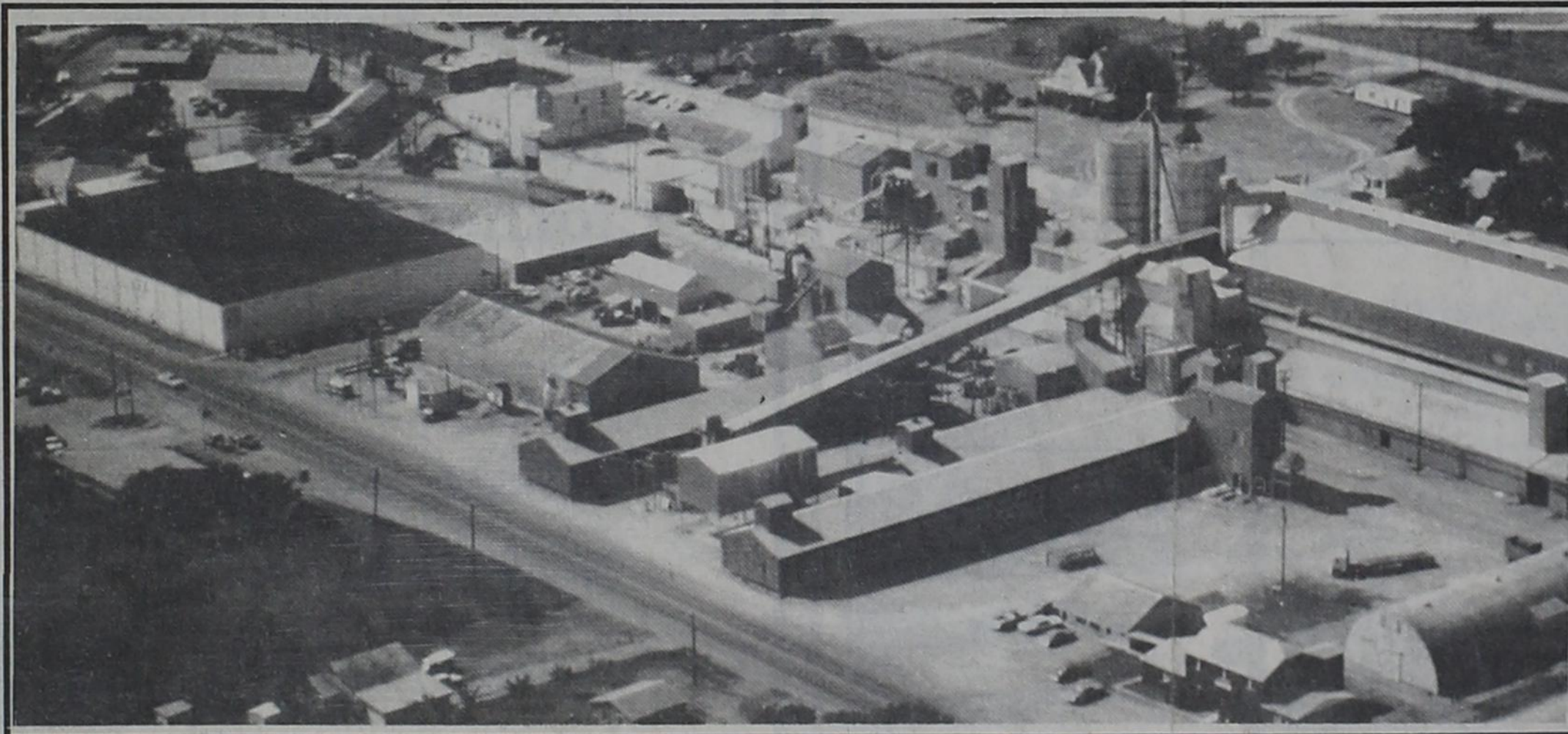
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ESTELLE CRADDOCK is our Representative for the Gorman Area - She may be reached at 817-734-2363.

Chamber Of Commerce Business Spotlight of Month Birdsong Peanuts



The Birdsong Corporation was founded in May, 1914 by Thomas Henry Birdsong, Sr. of Isle of Wight County, Virginia.

Thomas Henry Birdsong, Sr. assisted in organizing and operating numerous businesses, primarily in the handling of agricultural commodities such as peanuts, hay, grain and cotton. The businesses offered farmers seed, fertilizer and other supplies. Through the years, he acquired farm land.

Thomas Henry Birdsong, Sr. had five sons and two daughters and the family experienced hard times before his passing in 1933. The depression of the 1930's was being felt by all people engaged in farming and dealers in farming products. Under the leadership of Harvard R. Birdsong and with the able help of all the Birdsong brothers and sisters, the company managed to survive the Great Depression.

Birdsong operated jointly in several small shelling plants. In the fall of 1940, a new and larger shelling plant was constructed in Suffolk, Virginia. These operations were conducted under the name of Birdsong Storage Company, a partnership composed of the five sons and two daughters.

Birdsong acquired Pretlow Peanut Company in the early 1950's and it operates today in Franklin, Virginia.

In 1965, an agreement was made between American Cold Storage Corporation (Birdsong owned) and the Messrs. Melvin E. Shell acquired the right of way between Gorman and the ATSF interchange in Dublin, Texas and the outstanding stock of the Texas Central Railroad.

In 1973, Birdsong acquired the partnership interest of Gorman Peanut Company and the Texas Central Railroad.

Devine Nuts shelling plant and its properties in Pearsall, Texas were acquired by Birdsong

in 1984. The Farmers Gin and Warehouse Company, Blakely, Georgia, and its southeast buying points were acquired by Birdsong in 1985.

Today, Birdsong is headquartered in Suffolk, Virginia. Its operations include eight shelling plants. They are located in Suffolk, Virginia, Franklin, Virginia, Blakely and Cordele, Georgia, Plant 1 and Plant 2 in Gorman, Texas, Pearsall, Texas and the newly acquired plant in Memphis, Texas. The company has such allied peanut operations as a peanut crushing plant, hull grinding and pelletizing, seed shelling and marketing. The allied operations also include drying and cleaning facilities, farmers' stock storage and cold storages for processed peanuts.

The Texas Central Railroad services the peanut shelling plants and storages in the Central Texas area and is known as the "Peanut Line".

Birdsong Corporation operates in all three peanut producing areas and markets Virginia, Runner and Spanish type peanuts to all major U. S. processors and is a major exporter in world markets.

The company is privately owned primarily by members of the Birdsong family. Operations are directed from its Suffolk, Virginia headquarters. Thomas H. Birdsong, III is Chairman of the Board and Manager of the Southwestern operations. He is assisted by the following staff members, along with a core of dedicated and fine employees.

- G. M. Grice - Vice President/Operations Manager
- D. Presley Duke, Jr. - Vice President/Manager Peanut Oil & Meal Sales
- Terry D. Motley - Director of Accounting/Computer Operations
- Jim Burleson - Personnel/Safety & Sanitation Director
- Jack Simpson - Director Farmer Stock Purchases
- Jolly S. Myers, Jr. - Director Hull Sales
- Glenn Glasson - Plant Superintendent