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## Christmas Season Begins With Light Turn-On Here

### Tid Bits

By HVO

Traditional turkey - day meals can have a new twist this year with seafood.

Enhance your usual cornbread stuffing with an unusual ingredient: oysters.

Oysters are plentiful this time of year, according to Cindy Gray, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Seafood Home Economist, and are available fresh

#### OYSTER - CORNBREAD STUFFING

12 ozs. fresh oysters  
1 cup chopped celery  
1 cup chopped onion  
1/2 cup butter or margarine  
3 1/2 cups toasted cornbread  
1/2 cup chicken broth  
1 tsp. poultry seasoning  
1 tsp. sage

Drain oysters. Cook celery and onion in butter until tender.

Add oysters and cook 3 to 5 minutes or until the edges begin to curl. Combine all ingredients and mix thoroughly. Makes approximately 4 cups stuffing, enough for a 4 pound ready-to-cook bird. For a five- to nine-pound bird, two times stuffing recipe; for 10-15 pound bird, three times stuffing recipe; for 16-20 pound bird, four times stuffing recipe; for 21-25 pound bird, five times stuffing recipe.

NOTE: If stuffing is baked separately, it should be placed in a well-greased, shallow (1 1/2 to 2 inches deep) bake-and-serve dish and baked at 350 degrees F for 25-30 minutes.

The Oyster-Cornbread Stuffing recipe and many others can be obtained free of charge by sending a postcard with your name and address to "Seafood", Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, John H. Reagan Building, Austin, Texas 78701.

#### TWO MORE CEMETERIES

Two more cemeteries need to be added to the list of those printed in this newspaper Sunday in connection with the historical booklet for the County Centennial. The names Moss Curve Cemetery (located between Eastland and Ranger near the T&P Railroad right of way) and the Desdemona Cemetery, which Mr. L.E. Clark of that town has agreed to write about. Mike Collins and Mrs. Dale Bakker are seeking help from people who can provide data about all the cemeteries in the county for the Centennial History book to be published.

#### FREYSLAG Insurance

#### WEATHER REPORT

FAIR AND WARMER Thursday. Temperatures in the mid-50's.

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CHRISTMAS WONDERLAND opens in Eastland this Thanksgiving Day signaling the beginning of

### Adults Get Dope Story At PTO

Proving that Eastland adults are concerned with the welfare of Eastland youngsters, parents and teachers sample smelted simulated burning marijuana in the Eastland Elementary School Tuesday and heard an in-depth awareness report by a narcotics agent who had made two "buys" from a 15-year-old Eastland girl a year ago here.

In the hard-hitting, open question and answer session at the Parent-Teacher Organization meeting, parents and teachers learned the answers to their questions about what to look for and what to do, in the continuing battle against illegal drug traffic.

President Mrs. Don (Wanda) Baird presided and Mrs. Gay Mitchell introduced the Midland Department of Public Safety Agent who explained an elaborate drug display, and answered oral and written questions from the audience.

The Sixth Grade classes presented a Thanksgiving program in voice. Lawton Williamson gave the welcome. A choral reading "Harvest" opened the program followed by "Shine on Harvest Moon." Bart Boles gave a reading "A Boy's Thanksgiving", and Lisa Butler did the scripture reading. The grades then did "We Thank Thee", a "Thanksgiving" choral reading, and closed with "Bless This House". Mrs. Jerry Mathews was accompanist.

"Awareness" is the best protection, the agent told the concerned audience, and added that it appeared that Eastland County is doing a pretty good job, having recently sentenced a pusher to 99 years in the penitentiary.

In the investigation here a year ago, he said, we found most drugs but no heroin, and explained that most comes from Fort Worth and Dallas.

Refusing to get into the debate on whether marijuana is habit forming or not, stating that he wasn't medically qualified, the agent did say that 99 percent of the heroin users arrested admit that they started on pot.

Asked by a high school student if he himself smoked pot or took drugs in his work to arrest pushers and users, the agent stated that he did not. "I may appear to, but I'd be fired if I ever did." All it takes is to have a roll of money. "If you've got the money, you can buy the stuff".

He advised parents to work with the local law enforcement people. "They're good, and they're qualified", he said. If you suspect your own children's involvement or some of their friends, talk to the district attorney, the sheriff or your police chief. They know what to do.

The simulated marijuana burned on plates in the cafeteria gave the audience a keen clue as to what to be on the lookout for.

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"Since they fell in love at first sight, they used instant mix for their wedding cake."

exciting times for residents and visitors.

The Christmas season officially begins with the turning

on of the holiday lighting, cascading from the Courthouse and spreading all over the town, as decorations and

glamour bejewel the Queen City of the Good Country.

Right in step with the Season is the right-on-schedule

planning by merchants here who are announcing special values and extra-special incentives to make Eastland THE SHOPPING PLACE this Christmas. Shoppers will find super buys all over town beginning Friday morning.

The Thanksgiving Holiday began Wednesday for public school students who are out of classes until Monday.

Two extra-special features are already announced for the exciting Eastland holiday season:

The Retail Trades Committee of the Eastland Chamber of Commerce will offer a treat for young and old on Saturday, Dec. 23, when a

FREE MOVIE will be shown at the Majestic Theater. "Smokey", the famous horse picture will be shown on the screen, and that ever popular visitor, Santa Claus will also make his appearance in Eastland that day.

#### SANTA'S HELPER

The Eastland Telegram in its continuing effort to contribute to the overall enjoyment, and development of this city is with this issue announcing a special Sant Helper program which will begin immediately.

On Saturday, Dec. 16, the classic movie "Alakazam, the Great" will be shown at the Majestic Theater, and a long list of prizes will be given away.

Admission will be by ticket, which will be available free from participating merchants with announcement advertisements in this issue.

Purpose is to provide extra entertainment for the young, and to provide an opportunity for parents to spend free time to visit the many gaily decorated, and inviting shops and stores in Eastland.

Several other seasonal surprises are in the planning stages and will be announced in these columns soon.

As the holidays approach, you'll find more and more reason to be in Eastland.

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SHARING IS THANKSGIVING - This Sunday School Class began its Thanksgiving celebration Tuesday evening by distributing fresh fruit to residents at Hickman Nursing Home in Eastland. Mr. Johnny Grimes, teacher, took the third and fourth grade boys to a local grocery where they picked and paid for the fruit and then to the home where the boys brightened residents hearts with their thoughtfulness. Mr. Grimes has been teacher of the class for 18 years, and has annually had such projects to teach the meaning of sharing. Shown here back row from left are Robert Reid, Stephen O'Brien, Mr. Grimes, Rusty Freeman; and front from left, Jeff Bakker, Pat Gray, Vance O'Brien and Larry Martin.

### \$500 Gift Announced For Centennial Library Here

A gift of \$500 has been made to the Centennial Memorial Library Fund in honor of past presidents of the Thursday Afternoon Study Club. The club has sponsored a library in Eastland since 1901 when it began meeting as the Hawthorne Club.

At that early date books were kept in the home of Mrs. J.L. Johnson who was appointed librarian. The Johnson home was next door to the present library on the site now occupied by the First Baptist Church Educational Building.

In 1916 the club changed its name, affiliated with the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs and began housing the library in the basement of the Texas State Bank.

Since 1925 it has been housed

in one half of the Woman's Club. Because of inadequate space the Sledge building at 210 South Lamar has been purchased as the site of a new library which the club hopes to establish with the help of the community.

Contributions may be made at the Eastland National Bank to Fund officials, James Reid or Mrs. Inez Bourdeau. John Russell is treasurer.

Early day librarians were Mrs. A.H. Johnson and Miss Sallie Morris and later Miss Cecilia Hass who served for over 30 years. Mrs. A.E. Cushman is currently librarian.

Mrs. Dan Childress is at present president of the Thursday Afternoon Study Club.

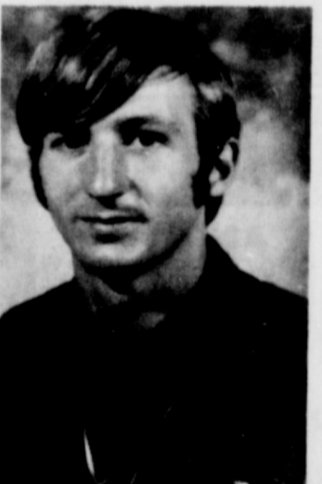
### Mrs. Jordan Buried Sunday In Services

Mrs. J.N. (Tennie) Jordan, 87, of Eastland died at 12:30 p.m. Friday in the Eastland Manor Nursing Home after an extended illness. Funeral was held at 2:30 p.m. Sunday in the Bakker Funeral Chapel.

Frank Pruitt of Abilene read the service. Burial was in Murray Cemetery at Carbon. Mrs. Jordan was born Nov. 18, 1884, in Coryell County. She was a member of the Church of Christ Scientist in Eastland.

Her husband, James H. Jordan, died in 1966.

Survivors are four sons, Herman C. Jordan of Eastland, Jodie Jordan of Lubbock and Weaver Jordan of Imperial, Calif., and Rufus Jordan of El Paso; three daughters, Mrs. Pearl Peck of San Antonio, Mrs. Edith Smith of Taft, Calif., and Mrs. B.W. (Letha) Robertson of Eastland; one brother, Jim Weaver of Carbon; and one sister, Mrs. Mary Collins of Tucson, Ariz.; 19 grandchildren; 38 great-grandchildren. Grandsons will serve as pallbearers.



DON DUNCAN

Don Duncan, the 19 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Duncan of Carbon was awarded one of the six agriculture scholarships given by Cisco Junior College Agriculture Department. This year is the first that the scholarships have been awarded.

In order for Don Duncan to apply, he first had to have the recommendation of his high school Vocational-Agriculture instructor. Documentation of leadership, individual participation, and academic achievement were also required.

A screening committee made made the six selection from numerous applications.

Past presidents honored, along with her, by the gift are Mrs. A.H. Johnson (1916 - 1918); Mrs. J.R. Stubblefield (1918); Mrs. J. Madera (1918 - 1920); Mrs. Earl Conner, Sr. (1920 - 1922); Mrs. John D. McRea (1922 - 1923); Mrs. W.H. Taylor (1923 - 1925).

Mrs. Theodore Ferguson (1925 - 1927); Mrs. Joseph M. Perkins (1927 - 1929); Mrs. James Horton (1929 - 1931); Mrs. J.E. Hickman (1931 - 1932); Mrs. B.M. Collie (1932 - 1933); Mrs. F.M. Kenny (1933 - 1935); Mrs. E.R. Townsend (1935 - 1937).

Mrs. Dan Childress, Sr. (1937 - 1939); Mrs. Victor Ginn (1939 - 1941); Mrs. James Horton (1941 - 1943); Mrs. W.B. Piekens (1943 - 1945); Mrs. Earl Conner Sr. (1945 - 1947); Mrs. Ben Hamner (1947 - 1949); Mrs. W.F. Davenport (1949 - 1951);

Mrs. Arthur Murrell (1951 - 1953); Mrs. Frank Castleberry (1953 - 1955); Mrs. Frank Sparks (1955 - 1957); Mrs. Iral C. Inzer (1957 - 1960); Mrs. R.D. Burton (1960 - 1962); Mrs. T.M. Collie (1962 - 1964)

Mrs. W.D.R. Owen (1964 - 1966); Mrs. Roy L. Young (1966 - 1968); Mrs. Joseph M. Perkins (1968 - 1970); and Mrs. J.F. Francis (1970 - 1972).

### Coffee Shop Fire Cause Undetermined

Mrs. Faye Harbin, manager, said Tuesday that the cause of the fire in the Coffee Shop of the Village Hotel was still not determined.

Fortunately no one had to be evacuated from the hotel and the fire was kept contained in the kitchen. "At no time was anyone in the hotel in any danger," states Mrs. Harbin.

The Coffee Shop will be remodeled and opened as soon as possible, she said.

The fire was discovered about 7 a.m. Sunday. She thanked the Eastland Fire Department for its prompt response to the fire call.

After a hard look at the proposed budget, Eastland City Commissioners this week

okayed a ten percent Christmas bonus for employees but postponed, pending further study, the matter of salary raises.

In other action in the Monday night monthly meeting, the commission also agreed to pay the controversial \$1,600 bill from the architectural firm for the preliminary plans for the ill-fated library - civic center project; and passed a 50 cent rate increase in the sewage service to all customers.

Present rate is 75¢ per month, and the new rate will be \$1.25 effective with the next billing. Approval is expected soon from the state on the application for the new sewer plant and the commission decided to go ahead and institute the sewer rate increase to be ready to start payments when the time comes. A \$92,000 revenue bond election passed last year for the plant.

The city has received plans from the engineering firm of Yeatts and Decker for the sewer line extension to the Ramada Inn, and will advertise for bids immediately for that project. Telephone line is already in the East Main right-of-way and the city will take sewer and water lines to the site where surveying stakes were being put down to begin construction this week.

The commission agreed to accept Texas Highway Department recommendations for speed limits on Main St.

(Highway 80) based on recent speed survey records.

The results of the Oct. 31 bond election were canvassed and approved.

In other action, Commissioners

Agreed to the lease of the island at Lake Eastland subject to the approval by the city attorney of the lease agreement.

Discussed present peddlers fees and found that they appeared to be adequate and serving their purpose.

The proposed budget for 1972-73 was prepared without regard to a beginning or ending bank balance. It reflects the collections expected and the every day expenditures necessary to carry on overall operation.

### Welding Course Begins Nov. 27

Farmers, ranchers, and other interested adults are reminded of the "Arc Welding Short Course" to be held Nov. 27 - 30 at 7:00 p.m. in the Eastland High School Agriculture Building.

Mr. Bill Hollenback, Arc Welding Specialist with the Texas Education Agency and Texas A&M University, will conduct the short course.

Subject areas to be covered in the short course are, "types of welding machines", "safety in arc welding", "selection and use of electrodes", "identification of metals", "factors controlled by the operator", "welding of fillets, butts, laps in all positions", "welding of

thin gauge metal", "oxy-acetylene safety and cutting", "welding of pipe and sucker rod", "removing broken bolts", "welding of cast iron", "hard facing", and "welding aluminum".

Adults will be able to practice arc welding and oxy-acetylene cutting throughout the short course to gain practical experience.

Mr. Hollenback will be available during the day for on-the-farm instruction or checking any welding problems the class enrollees may have on the farm.

Further information may be obtained by calling Don Griffin at 629 - 1021.



JOINING FORCES to help put the Service in Goodyear Service Store in Eastland is Buddy Rowch, left, who has been named Mechanic at the East Main St. Store by Store Manager Frank Murphy, right. The firm offers expert brake and wheel alignment services under Mr. Rowch's direction.





**FARM BUREAU CONVENTION** - - Eastland County Farm Bureau delegates are shown as they registered for the 39th annual meeting of the Texas Farm Bureau held Nov. 12 - 15 in Houston. They are, front row from left: Mr. Jack Cozart, Mrs. Jack Cozart, Mr. Winford Fry, Mrs. D.F. Williamson, Mrs. David Kerr, Mrs. J.C. Clearman. Second row from left: Mr. D.F. Williamson, Mr. C.M. Guthery, Mrs. C.M. Guthery, Mr. David Kerr, Mr. J.C. Clearman.

## FB Delegates Attend Convention

Eleven Eastland County Farm Bureau delegates attended the 39th annual Texas Farm Bureau convention held at the Rice Hotel in Houston Nov. 12 - 15.

Over 900 official voting delegates, representing most of the 207 organized county Farm Bureaus, adopted state policies and recommendations on national issues. Total attendance at the convention was more than 1,500.

Convention activities began on Sunday, Nov. 12, with registration. Highlights of the day included a Discussion Meet and Talent Find competition for young people and a vesper service.

On Monday's agenda was the yearly administrative report by Executive Director Warren Newberry of Waco. TFB President J.T. Woodson of Gober brought the President's annual address. The convention's main address was delivered by Dolph Briscoe, Jr., of Uvalde.

Other Monday activities included a ladies' luncheon and special conference on Community Services, Young Farmers and Ranchers, Field Crops, Dairy, Rice, Natural Resources and Research and Education. The annual Queen's contest was held Monday evening.

Tuesday's activities began with a voting delegate breakfast and special conferences on livestock, Cotton, Services, Poultry, Farm Labor, Wheat and Feed Grains, and Farm Bureau Women. The business session convened at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday with voting on resolutions sent in by county Farm Bureaus. The day's events culminated with the annual banquet that evening. Speaker was Marvin McLelland, "Sage of the Sand Hills", of Lexington, Miss.

The business session continued Wednesday with voting on resolutions. The Convention concluded with the election of directors and the TFB president.

## Two Communities Compete For State Awards

Nimrod and Kokomo are two of the Texas communities who are competing for \$7,375.00 in awards. More than 300 communities have entered the Texas Community Improvement, this year according to County Extension Agents Janet Thomas and DeMarquis Gordon.

The two Eastland County Communities are now conducting meaningful monthly meetings to establish and carry out projects that will make the communities safer, more attractive, and better places to live.

The agents said the purpose

is to stimulate individual, family and community effort toward community improvement. The objectives are to make rural life more desirable and satisfying as well as more profitable and stable for rural families.

The Texas Community Improvement Program is open to rural communities of 1,000 people or less in Texas. It is sponsored by the electric utility companies operating in Texas in cooperation with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service of Texas A&M University.

Texas Electric Service Company and West Texas

Utilities Company are two sponsoring companies serving Eastland County.

Kokomo placed second in the District last year and was awarded \$75.00. Nimrod placed fifth and received \$25.00 in awards. The previous year Kokomo finished first in the District and third in the State contest, and received \$350.00 in awards.

## THE WONDERFUL WORLD of BOOKS

A book is a garden carried in the pocket. - - Arabian proverb.

**THE WILBY CONSPIRACY**, a novel by Peter Driscoll. 327 pages. \$6.95. J.B. Lippincott Co., Philadelphia and New York.

Women may not be taken immediately to it, but men who like adventure will find this fast paced chase story, set in modern South Africa, a real thriller. In the tradition of Ian

Fleming, Alistair MacLean and other excitement writers, but without the clap-trap inventions and devices of the James Bond mysteries, Driscoll tells a non-stop story that could be happening right now to real live people.

There's a lot of loose ends and a lot of questions to be answered as this chase unfolds, but the author neatly ties them all together and makes a plausible answer to even the most perplexing situations.

## County Pecan Show

The Twentieth Annual Eastland County Pecan Show has been set for December 1st and 2nd in the Eastland County Courthouse. The announcement was made today by Dan Childress, President of the Eastland County Pecan Growers Association. The show will be sponsored by the association and the Eastland Chamber of Commerce.

Marcus O'Dell, President of the Chamber of Commerce, says the Pecan Show will include about 200 entries of top quality pecan exhibits, a pecan bake show and pecan centerpiece show. He said the show will give recognition to one of the county's most important crops. The pecans, baked goods and centerpieces will be displayed in the first floor lobby of the courthouse on December 1st and 2nd.

A total of 43 nuts of any variety constitutes an entry in the pecan show. The pecans entered must have been grown in 1972 and be entered by the person who produced the pecans. Everyone who owns at least one pecan tree is invited to enter an exhibit.

Pecans are judged on the basis of size, percent kernel, quality of kernel and attractiveness of the pecan. Natives, variety seedlings and improved varieties may be entered in the show. A grower may bring one entry of each variety and as many different entries of natives as he chooses. All entries become the property of the Pecan Growers Association. Entries winning first, second and third will be sent to the Regional Pecan Show. Ribbons will be given to exhibitors who have first, second and third place entries.

Trophies will be given to the exhibitor of the Champion Shelling Pecans, Champion Native Pecans and Champion In-Shell Pecans.

Pecan entries may be left at the County Agent's office in Eastland or with the Chamber of Commerce office in Ranger or Cisco. Members of the pecan growers organization will also collect entries to bring to the show.

County Agent De Gordon said the idea of pecan shows began in Eastland County in 1952. The late J.M. Cooper, County Agent, and local grower staged the first pecan show in the state. Other counties adopted the idea. This year there will be 34 county pecan shows, three regional pecan shows and one state pecan show in Texas.

Gordon said the county pecan show has proven to be an excellent educational tool in building interest in the use of high quality pecan varieties that are adapted to this area.

### NOTICE

#### LIFE'S RECIPE

- 1 cup Good Thoughts
- 1 cup Kind Deeds
- 1 cup Consideration for Others
- 2 cups Sacrifice for Others
- 3 cups Forgiveness
- 2 cups Well Beaten faults.
- Mix these thoroughly and add tears of Joy and Sorrow and Sympathy for others. Flour with little gifts of Love and Kindly service.
- Fold in 4 cups of Prayer and Faith to brighten up other ingredients and raise the texture of Christian living. After pouring all of this into your daily life, bake well with the heat of Human Kindness. Then, Serve With a Smile!!!!

His climax, a harrowing descent by the hero down into the bowls of an African sink hole to recover a fortune in diamonds, is ready made for the big wide screen, and guesses are good that you'll see it there someday soon.

Hope Town and Johannesburg, with all their intrigue, are the locales for this story, and for those who now only vaguely remember the political unrest and turmoil of Sharpeville of 1960, which resulted from what was to have been a peaceful demonstration which got ignited into an explosive situation.

The Black Africans were attempting to gain notice; to destroy the "pass system"; and generally gain a measure of independence in their country. Of course the not-so-small war evolved, with American planes taking supplies in, and world-wide mercenaries joining factions for hire.

This book is about an English mining engineer, on a recuperation stay in Hope Town gets thoroughly involved in the still-festering aftermath of that earlier struggle.

Eric Ambler has called it the best chase story he's read in a long time.

THE YEAR must nearly be over: we've received our OLD FARMERS 1973 ALMANAC by Robert B. Thomas, and find it's a bigger book in its 181st edition. Price is now 60c, and it has everything it's always had, plus a lot more, including a lot more advertising. The Almanac's weekly weather forecasts are now carried by over 100 newspapers, including the Dallas Morning News in this area. Weather-wise, hte predictions are for 16 different regions. For Texas - Oklahoma, among other things, the Almanac sees this for 1973: "A drought of serious

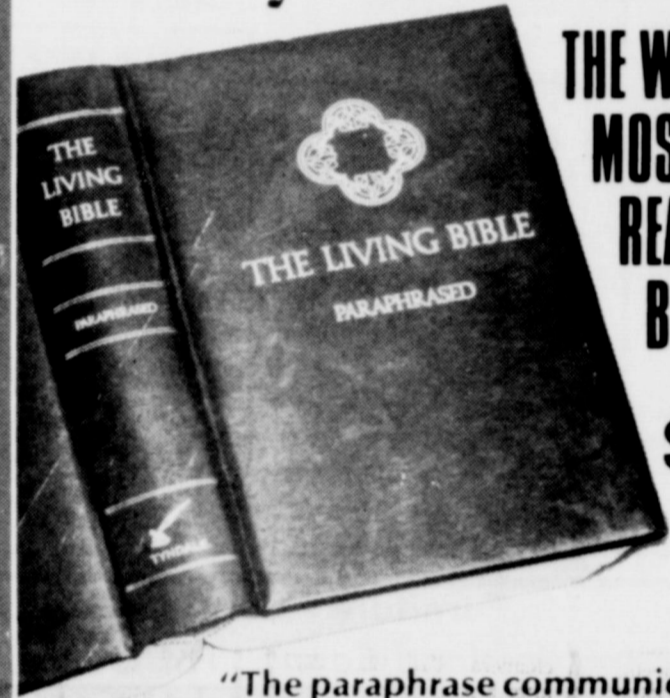
proportions looms in this area as rainfall dips way below normal most months. Winter temperatures are about normal but summer, especially August, is abnormally warm."

Starting with November, 1972, OFA hits it pretty close with this forecast for Nov. 20 - 23: "Cloudier & much cooler by 23rd; showers 21st near Gulf."

Rain beginning November, 1972, will be .5 of an inch below normal; 2" below in Dec.; an inch and a half below normal in January; two inches below in February; 5 of an inch in March; an inch above in April; .5 below in May; two inches below in June; normal in July; two inches below in August; two and a half below in September; and three inches below in October.

LOOK HERE soon for a complete review of H.A. McCann's new book of poems "Passing Dreams" just published.

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## Hospital Report

Patients in Eastland Memorial Hospital Wednesday morning were:

Laverne Stuard, Woodson  
Tonja Swinson  
Elsie Sanders, Cisco  
John Lauderdale, Ranger  
Jinks Reynolds, Rising Star  
Rayneal Baze  
J.A. Bennett, Cross Plains  
Pearl Davis  
Cora Spurlen  
Sarah Mueller  
Ruth Haney  
L.B. Reed  
Alva Thompson  
Ethel Aldredge  
Ila Pulley, Gorman  
Pat Arntfield, Strawn  
Weltha Dunn, Carbon  
Ruby Petty, Cisco  
Maurine Williams  
Martin McCary  
Hanna Lindsey  
Idona Carr, Fort Worth

Cynthia Dean, Rising Star  
Kathy Stanley, Carbon  
Frank Kirk, Gorman  
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Baby Boy Hirst, Gorman  
Baby Boy Johnson  
Sudie Groves  
Mae Gattis  
Lola Henderson, Abilene  
Millie Waldrep, Cisco  
Angelita Hernandez, Gorman  
Phillip Arthur, Estelle Leach  
Estelle Roff  
Pearl White, Putnam  
Herbert Mathews  
Carrie Johnson  
Yvonne McCutchen, Rising Star  
Brenda Hirst, Gorman

Patients in Ranger General Hospital Wednesday morning were:

Elmer Hall  
Clarence Mitchell  
Jim Crawford  
Herman Taylor  
Quinn Robinson  
Joe Holub  
Guy Hill  
Faye Howell  
Emmalee Gohlke  
Ola Penn  
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## Carbon News

By Mrs. Bob Hastings

The children and grandchildren of Mrs. Gladys Bond arranged a surprise party for her on her birthday. The party of thirty seven relatives and friends were waiting for her when she returned home from church on Sunday. As she entered her home the following people began to sing Happy Birthday: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bond, Gary and Jan of Austin, June Bond, Sheila, Joe and Lisa of Midland, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Duff and Beverly of Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Bond, Melody and Darla of Eastland, Mr. and Mrs. John Kidd, Sherry, Brenda, Shirley and John Glenn also of Eastland, Mrs. Reita Bond, Leslie, Rodney and Robbye of Mineral Wells, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Nix and Billy of Snyder, Bob Hall of Salt Lake City, Utah; Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie

Prelop of Austin, John Dean Glidewell of Mineral Wells, Kirk Horton of Mineral Wells, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Rasberry of Carbon.

One table contained two birthday cakes from Mrs. Bond's children and one from the grandchildren. The centerpiece was a lovely arrangement of cut flowers from Bob Hall who Mrs. Bond looks upon as one of her own boys. The dining table was laden with all kinds of delicious food including a huge smoked turkey and a nice baked ham. The children presented Mrs. Bond with a lovely China Cabinet which a lovely piece of furniture she had long desired. An occasion enjoyed by all and as Mrs. Bond said "A time never to be forgotten".

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Barnett of Castro Valley, California and Mr. and Mrs. Buster Ables of Goldthwaite visited their uncle and aunt Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hogan last Tuesday.

Mrs. Nancy Morris of Albuquerque, New Mexico, Mrs. Lilly Mae Pack, Mrs. Margaret Haynes of Mesquite and Mrs. Myrtle Smith of Sidney spent last Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. W.J. Greer.

Mr. and Mrs. L.V. Jackson and LaVada visited Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sims of Graham Saturday.

Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. D.D. Sandlin were Mrs. Ruth McCracken of Trinidad, Carroll Sandlin of Lubbock, Mrs. Freddy Coburn, Melissa and Chad of Glenrose.

Mr. and Mrs. Buck Weston visited their sisters and families Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Robertson and Mrs. Raymond

## COURT NEWS

### 91st DISTRICT CLERK'S OFFICE

In the matter of the marriage of Vera Sherrill Drenkin vs. C.V. Drenkin - Divorce

Beatrice Mayhorn vs. W. Harold Pittman  
Timothy Shotwell Pelfrey vs. Mary Louise Pelfrey - Divorce  
Lone Star Gas Co. vs. Jerrell M. Smith & Wife Mary Jo & Veteran Land Bd. of the St. of Texas - Condemnation Suit for right of way.  
Lone Star Gas Co. vs. Sherry

Rurdett of Goldthwaite on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Walker and family of Odessa and Miss Beth Ussery of College Station have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. W.E. Walker.

Airman Larry Thackerson of Lackland Air Force Base is visiting his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hogan and other relatives.

Weekend visitors with Mrs. Bessie Morris were Mrs. Jack Corouth and children of Cross Plains, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Mike Hopkins of Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Fillyou of Odessa spent the weekend with her mother Mrs. Pearl Snell.

Mr. and Mrs. R.E. McMillan and Debbie Byant visited Mr. and Mrs. Pat Bross of Dudley Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Weaver of Antelope, Mrs. Hazel Cates of San Angelo, Mrs. Loellen Brockman and Mrs. Ida Smith of Fort Worth visited Mr. and Mrs. Joan Weaver and attended the funeral of their aunt Mrs. Tennie Jordan in Eastland.

Lee Jobe, a Minor - condemnation  
Lone Star Gas Co. vs. Amy Lee Jobe, a Minor - condemnation.

**MARRIAGE LICENSES**  
James Allen Young and Martha Ann Pippin  
Richard Clayton Eaves and Dana Sue Morrow  
Jerald Dwayne Brandon and Cathy Ellen Collins  
Randall Irwin Duncan and Pamela Jeanne Davis

### County

Jack E. Prough et al to Glenn Ruff et al - assignment oil, gas lien

Jack E. Prough et al to D Grady Morgan, et al - assignment oil, gas lien

Jack E. Prough et al to Fred Dievert - partial assignment oil, gas lien

Jack E. Prough, et al to Robert M Fargason - partial assignment, oil, gas lien

Jack E. Prough, et al to Robert L. Green - partial assignment oil, gas lien

J.D. Russell to H.L. Bilbrey - warranty deed

State of Texas to Volney B. Ferguson dba Ferguson Sporting Goods - release St. Tax Lien

Virgil T. Seaberry to The Public - affidavit

Elroy Smith, et ux to Jimmy Dean Warren - warranty deed

Werdna Stansell to Carroll W. Stansell - release vendors lien and deed of trust

State Reserved Life Ins. Co. to Raymond Henry Doss et ux - release deed of trust

George E. Stratemyer dec'd to The Public - certified copy probate

Trace Elements, Inc. to Dr. Eugene Rawson Foster - abstract of judgment

Trace Elements, Inc. to Texfarms, Inc. - assignment of judgment  
U.S.A. to Herman Cupp, et ux

release deed of trust  
Florence E. Urban, to C.H. Joyce to Citizens St. Bk., Cross Plains - mechanics material lien and assignment  
Edmond D. Woodard to R.W. Drake - deed of trust  
A.S. Williams, et ux to James B. Henry - warranty deed  
Jim L. Webb to L. Coy Warren - oil, gas lease  
Jimmy Dean Warren et ux to Elroy Smith - deed of trust  
Whittaker Pipeline Constructors Inc. et al to Lone Star Gas - performance bond  
Troy Williams to Daniel Williams - deed of trust  
West Texas Utilities Co. to J.H. Bomar Western Ice Co. - abstract of judgment  
Mary Jo Elston Young, Trustee, et al to Ayres Cermin et ux - warranty deed  
Russell A. Owens, et al to Church of Christ Eighth Street - warranty deed  
Russell A. Owens, et al to Eighth Street Church of Christ - warranty deed  
Randolph Owens, dec'd to The Public - proof of heirship  
V.E. Overstreet to Mrs. A.P. Overstreet - quitclaim deed  
Jack E. Prough, et al to David Bailey - assignment oil, gas lien  
Jack E. Prough, et al to Capital Services, Inc. - assignment oil, gas lien  
Jack E. Prough, et al to Castle Gift Shops Inc. - assignment oil, gas lien  
Jack E. Prough, et al to Eugene Eberle - assignment oil, gas lien  
Jack E. Prough, et al to Don G. Barr, et al - assignment oil, gas lien  
Jack E. Prough, et al to D. Niles Ruff, et al - assignment oil, gas lien  
Jack E. Prough, et al to B.D. Meredith, et al - assignment oil, gas lien  
New Braunfels Indp. School Dist. to W.C. Smith - abstract of judgment.  
Overturn Oil & Gas Corp to Bob Parrott - assignment overriding royalty  
Clarence C. Pippen, et ux to U.S.A. - assignment deed of trust  
Williams Guy Peel, et ux to Eastland Nat'l Bk - deed of trust  
City of Ranger to Mrs. A.R. Britt, et al - cemetery deed  
Charles W. Richter, et ux to T.A. Kirk, et al - oil, gas lease  
Homer King Shahan to Alfred E. Green - warranty deed  
Foy R. True et ux to 1st Fed. S&L Assn. - deed of trust  
Tri - cities Ready Mix to Harold Brady - mechanics, mineral lien  
Mollie Lee Tomlinson, et al to T.A. Kirk, et al - oil, gas, mineral lease  
Frances Tucker, Indv., et al to William Guy Peel et al - warranty deed  
John T. Terry, dec'd to The Public - certified copy probate  
U.S. to Hollis W. Perkins, et al - release fed. tax lien  
H.T. White et al to George Cannon - warranty deed  
Lewis Tiner, et ux to Staff Water Supply Corp - estimate & right of way.  
U.S.A. to James O. Jackson, Jr. - release deed of trust  
D.W. Underwood to Nichols Oil & Gas Corp - assignment oil, gas lease  
U.S. to Est. Elizabeth Wright dec'd - release estate tax lien  
A.W. Veal et ux to Mark Fox, et ux - warranty deed  
V.F.W. by Trustees to Staff Water Supply Corp - estimate & right of way.

Tommy Warford to The Public - affidavit  
Lucie E. Harrell to W.B. Wright - warranty deed  
C.T. Harp, et ux to Gary Dwayne Moore et ux - warranty deed  
S.W. Howell to William T. Avery et ux - warranty deed  
E.L. Hare, et ux to Henry L. Parsons - et ux - warranty deed  
Imperial Holding A.G. to Ernestine Alexander - assignment of royalty interest - 2 times  
Imperial Holding A.G. to Seymour Kaye - assignment of royalty interest - 2 times  
A.C. Kellar et ux to Charley High - release deed of trust  
A.C. Kellar to The Public - affidavit  
Edwin Lummus, et ux to Bob Carroll, et ux - warranty deed  
Juan Longoria, et ux to L.E. Clark - deed of trust  
Missouri Railroad Co. - Kansas, Tex. to W.T. Norris - quitclaim deed  
Missouri Railroad Co. - Kansas, Tex. to Lynn Hagan - quitclaim deed  
Gary Dwayne Moore, et ux to Milton and Megginson Mortgage Co., Inc. - deed of trust  
C.F. Minnick to Harry L. Glover - deed of trust

## Higher Court

**AFFIRMED**

West Texas Utilities Company v. Alpine Enterprises, T Ltd. et al. (Opinion by Judge McCloud). - Taylor  
Pearl E. Knox v. Insurance Company of North America. (Opinion by Judge Walter). - Taylor

**CASES SUBMITTED**  
Gordon Beten et al. v. Gary R. Price. - Brown  
Abilene Christian College v. James Ray Kerby - Taylor  
Orvadean Lively v. Blue Cross Hospital Service, Inc. - Nolan  
Harvey Sears et al v. Colorado River Municipal Water District. - Scurry

## County 4-H Jr. Leaders Ass'n Hold Meet

The newly organized County 4-H Junior Leaders' Association held its first meeting at the Chamber of Commerce in Cisco Saturday, November 18. The main business of the meetings was to elect officers for the association. The officers were William Donham of Nimrod 4-H Club, president; Joann Greeh of the Cisco 4-H Club, vice president; Taronna Chambers of the Rising Star 4-H Club secretary - treasurer; and Milta Kincaid of the Eastland 4-H Club, reporter.

The next item of business of the meeting was the planning of the County 4-H Christmas party to be held December 2, at the Cisco High School Gymnasium. It was decided that the theme for the party would be "Christmas the World Over". Recreation for the party will consist of group games and ring games. Committees were appointed for arrangements, decorations, and group leaders. Overall co-chairmen for the planning committees will be William Donham and Joann Green. Refreshments will be provided jointly by the 4-H Adult Leaders' Association and the County 4-H Clubs.



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**BIBLE WEEK NOV. 19th - 26th**  
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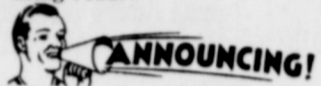
Mrs. Jos. M. Perkins, library Chairman of the Thursday Afternoon Club reports that the Eastland Public Library has many shelves of Biblical works. In the Memorial shelves we have many books from Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Seaberry, Sr., including the religious writings of Weatherhead, Jones and Poling. We have a fine collection of Biblical writings donated by the Rev. Ralph Woods and some from the late Dr. Eugene Surface. Recently a large print Bible was given as a Memorial.

We also have many Bible stories for children and young people.

When we get in the new Library Building we will have lots of space for all our Religious books and even room to make displays.

There are many fine new novels and biographies being written with a new depth of understanding about God in the lives of people. The Library has such fine books as "The Late Liz" - Burns "A New Song" by Pat Boone, "Tell No Man" - St. John, "Nine O'Clock in the Morning" - Dennis, "The Late Great Planet Earth" - Lindsay, "Invitation to Joy" - Whitney, "Amazing Grace" - Bryant.

The fact that books like these are being written is a hopeful sign and better still, they are being read!!



Rev. and Mrs. B.A. Thurman of Breckenridge are happy to announce the birth of their daughter, Melissa Ann, born Sunday, Nov. 19 at 10:20 a.m. in Eastland Memorial Hospital. She weighed 8 lbs.

Missy has one brother, Chuck. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bowles of Wayland and paternal grandmother is Mrs. Thelma Thurman of Breckenridge.

Rev. and Mrs. Thurman are former residents of Eastland. Mr. and Mrs. Layne Gregory announce the birth of a son, Jason Layne born Nov. 15 at Hendrick Hospital in Abilene. He weighed 6 lbs. 7 ozs.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. D.E. Vieregiver of Paris, Texas. Paternal grandmother is Mrs. J.T. Gregory of Eastland.

## Music Club Marks Federation Day

The Music Study Club of Eastland met Nov. 15th in the Women's Club to observe Federation Day and to honor Mrs. Hazel Post Gillette, of Fort Worth, National Federation Music Club's National Representative to Inspiration Point.

Mrs. Virginia W. Russell, president, called the meeting to order with a quotation by Irene Muir "N.F.M.C. begin at the Grass Roots level and requires constant guiding; but it is the largest, the most powerful organization for good in the world today."

### A Capella Choir Concert Nov. 27

Herbert L. Teat, Jr., Associate Professor of Music at Tarleton State College will present the thirty voice A Capella Choir of Tarleton State College in a concert in Eastland, Monday, November 27th at 8 p.m. in the sanctuary of the First United Methodist Church.

### Roy Smiths Host Class

Members of the Young Adult Sunday School Class of the Church of God attended a covered dish dinner Tuesday night, November 21, in the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Smith.

Turkey and all the trimmings were served to the following people: Rev. and Mrs. Ronald Bear and children, Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Manke and boys, Boyd Porter and boys, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lindsey and girls, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Williams and girls and the hosts Mr. and Mrs. Roy Smith and boys.

Everyone reported having a very nice time.

### Mike Campbell Busy at OCLA

Chickasha, Okla. - Mike Campbell of Eastland, Texas, as a member of the Student Activities Board at Oklahoma College of Liberal Arts, is among the really busy OCLA students during the holiday season.

The board sponsored the annual faculty - student Thanksgiving dinner at which OCLA students who will represent the college in "Who's Who Among Students in Colleges and Universities" were disclosed.

On December 2, the board is sponsoring the annual OCLA Tinsel Ball, an all - college dance; and on Sunday, Dec. 10, the group is sponsoring an annual Parents Day and Homecoming for OCLA Alumni.

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Mrs. Russell conducted a brief business meeting. She called attention to the Christmas dinner and party, honoring husbands and guests, to be held December 7, 1972, at Lone Cedar Country Club. Reservations can be made thru the Telephone Committee: Mmes. J.F. Francis, Grady Pipkin and Miss Marjorie van Hoose.

Program leader for the afternoon was Mrs. J.M. Perkins. Mrs. S.E. Hittson led the union reading of the N.F.M.C. Collect. Mrs. Frost, accompanied by Mrs. Doyal

Hoover at the piano led the singing of the "Federation Hymn" and the Hymn of the Month, "Now Thank We".

The National Federation Invocation" by Julia Smith was presented by Mrs. Frost, soloist and accompanied by Mrs. Hoover.

Mrs. Perkins introduced the guest speaker, Mrs. Gillette, who presented "What Do We Expect From Our N.F.M.C." in the advancement of music to all mankind, here in the United States and around the world, in a historical and interesting manner.

The "Federation Benediction" was presented by Mrs. Frost, soloist, and accompanied by Mrs. Hoover to conclude the program.

Preceding the program, refreshments of cake, coffee, nuts and mints were served by the hostesses: Mmes. C.L. Bigby, Floyd Robertson, J.M. Perkins, Herman Hassell, and D.L. Kinnaird, Sr. Mrs. Hoover presented background music at the piano.

Guests present were Mmes. J.S. Mobley, Frank Cullinan, S.E. Hittson and J.J. Tableman all of Cisco.

Members present were Mmes. C.L. Bigby, J.F. Francis, Jack Frost, Herman Hassell, Marvin Hood, Doyal Hoover, A.H. Johnson, J.M. Perkins, Grady Pipkin, Troy Ray, Durel Reid, Gene Rhodes, E.G. Rice, Floyd Robertson, Virginia W. Russell, Elizabeth Isabell Vaught, and Richard Wilhelm.

### Miss Wilson Is Honored At Brunch Here

Miss Shannon Wilson, bride-elect of C.W. Hoffmann, Jr., was honored with a brunch Friday, Nov. 17th, in the home of Mrs. Cyrus B. Frost, Jr. Hostesses with Mrs. Frost were Mmes. Don Pierson and Harold Price.

Each guest was greeted by Mrs. Frost, the honoree, and her mother, Mrs. Tom Wilson, and led into the living room which was decorated with flowers of mums and greenery. Punch was served by Mrs. Jack Frost. Pink carnations surrounding the punch bowl complimented the table. Miss Wilson's chosen colors of pink and white were used throughout the party.

Brunch was served from a dining table centered with a tall brass arrangement filled with pink spider mums. Presiding at the coffee service was Mrs. Virgil Seaberry, Jr.

Attending the brunch were Mmes: Roy Mitchell, Durel Reid, James Pipkin, Clyde Grissom, Hildegard Everett, Joe Stephen, E.G. Rice, Virgil Seaberry, Jr., Jack Germany, Austin McCloud, Jack Frost, Cyrus B. Frost, Sr., Dick Bearman of Ranger, H.T. Ethridge of El Paso, Tom Wilson, the honoree and hostesses.

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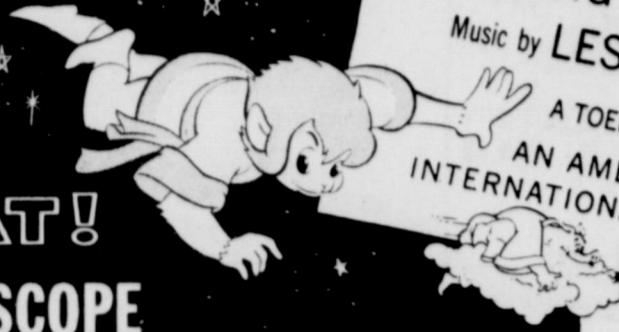


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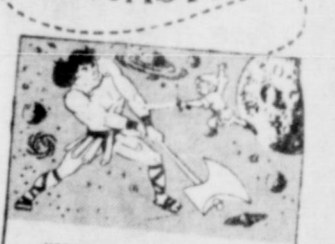
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# County History Coming In

## PICKET SCHOOL HOUSE 1880 (Description on Back Of Painting)

Painted June 1955 by description and sketch by J.N. Jordan. First School House of Eastland County, teacher Mrs. McKenney, a subscription school, 20 pupils, three miles Southeast of Carbon, Texas, school year 1880 - 1881. Building 14 ft. by 18 ft. lime was burned in kiln by C.B. Jordan, of Carbon to daub up cracks of chimney. Painted by Elam A. Peck by aid of description and sketch made by James N. Jordan, Eastland, Texas.

## A SHORT HISTORY OF LATHAM SCHOOL 1883 Near Carbon, Eastland County, Tex.

In 1873, Mr. C.B. Jordan, my father, brought his family with an infant son from Alabama to Texas and settled in Picket Community on a small stream called Hunting Shirt about 4 miles southeast of what is now known as Carbon, Texas. This community, the first settlement of this area, was established prior to our arrival in 1873. There were 12 families in this community which were living in log homes.

Their subscription school had been built of log pickets, a roof of poles and logs covered with brush, and had dirt floor with a chimney fireplace of rock daubed together with clay. The men with families at this time were John B. Schular, Henry Hamilton, C.B. Jordan, A.M. Latham, Mr. Bentley, Peachy Malone, Mr. Whitson, Vander McDaniels, Crate Mansal, Reverend Isaac Reeves (Methodist), Reverend Cobb (Baptist) and Reverend James Zacora (Church of Christ).

These people lived mostly by hunting and fishing with some small scale farming. They had free excellent range that was well stocked with wild cattle and wild hogs.

The range was good both summer and winter and these animals remained fat both summer and winter. A cow if sold would bring four or five dollars. Any unbranded cattle were yours by sticking your branding iron to them. Deer were not available due to the fact that Indians hunted out the animals before the settlers had routed out the Indians. These families produced their own corn, tobacco, some cotton, Irish potatoes, sweet potatoes, various vegetables and a few sheep for wool.

The cotton was picked in baskets and both cotton and wool was worked by hand by the housewives and spun into thread and yarn on spinning wheels for weaving and knitting into clothing. These families used mostly oxen for breaking out the sod for farming, but had a few horses. Protracted religious meetings were held in summer under brush Arbors.

Latham school had its beginning in 1883 when the railroad sidetracked the first carload of lumber available for Picket Community. Log houses were added to, and new homes were made for new settlers in nearby areas.

This caused overcrowding of Picket school which caused the construction of Latham school on land donated by A.M. Latham. The school was built near Picket school of boxing plank walls, roof, dirt floor, and a rock chimney fireplace. Mr. C.G. Jordan burned limestone to make lime to cement the rocks together to make the chimney fireplace. Seats were made of boxing planks.

Mrs. McKenney taught two years being followed by professor Train. All the children of Picket community and surrounding area went to Latham school. Years later Carbon area became settled and built a larger school and all the children of Latham School were sent to Carbon.

In 1956, in July, I accompanied Mr. Elam Peck to the site of Latham School and described the construction, pointing out the exact location of the school, from which Mr. Peck made a sketch from which he painted this likeness of Latham School.

Jim Jordan  
(The infant  
from Alabama)

logs were hauled in from eastern part of state and splices has to be made in the logs. The structure of the log house was with rock chimney and one window space at the back that was covered with oiled paper in the place of glass. Limestone was fired by Mr. Jordan to construct the chimney and also the chimney of Picket School. Clay was used to chink up or fill the log cracks of the log walls. The lumber for the big house was brought in by wagon from Cisco, Texas, the nearest railroad town at this time.

Picket School was built of lumber, being the first school built in this part of County and was the first school attended by James N. Jordan (son of C.B. Jordan.)

A windmill was erected near the big house on the hunting shirt creek over a dug well with abundance of water for C.B. Jordan as well as a source of water for neighbors for years. The water was picked up in barrels in wagons during the dry seasons.

James N. Jordan, son of C.B. Jordan, married Tennie Weaver in 1903 and they built a small frame house on the east part of the C.B. Jordan section east side of the Hunting Shirt Creek. James moved the original log cabin home of C.B. Jordan near to their home and made it into a blacksmith shop complete with forge, anvil, and hand tools. James did his own repair work as blacksmith as well as the work for his neighbors.

## Commission Broadens Membership

AUSTIN - The Texas Highway Commission has moved to broaden membership on committees guiding the State's 23 Urban Transportation Studies.

The studies are conducted in urban areas of 50 thousand population or more. The 1962 Federal Aid Highway Act required a continuing, comprehensive transportation planning process in consideration of all modes as a prerequisite for the urban areas to qualify for financing highway projects from the federal highway trust fund.

The transportation studies have been conducted cooperatively by the Texas Highway Department and local governments. Local officials have been included on the advisory board of the studies.

The Highway Commission statement said that operation of the various studies has been entirely satisfactory and cooperation has been good.

However, the Commission called for a broader membership on the top-level committee by inviting more local elected officials as well as members of the State Legislature and U.S. Congress.

This included sharpening plows, horse shoeing, and repairs on tools and wagons. This shop was a busy place when crop planting time arrived or crop harvest was ready, as I can well remember being called on to work the bellows to heat the plow points and horse shoes.

The big house, C.B. Jordan home, was completely destroyed by fire in 1915 and a smaller was built by that still

stands with log barn nearby. The windmill and tank were swept away by a wind storm in 1935, which was never replaced nor was the dug well cleaned out for water again.

The Jordan section of land has been owned at times by several persons but today the section of land is owned and operated by Ode Jordan, grandson of C.B. Jordan.

Pearl V. Jordan Peck  
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## Centennial Now Rolling Says Collins

The Eastland County Centennial is now a state-chartered non-profit corporation and will begin functioning in earnest soon, Mike Collins told members of the Eastland Lions Club at their Tuesday luncheon meeting at Camp Inspiration.

Giving a general report on the beginning of the county celebration plans, Mr. Collins told of the various projects in the planning stages and urged the support and participation of the club.

"The success of the celebration will be gauged, not by money so much as by the amount of participation," he pointed out.

Darwin Miller was program chairman and introduced Mr. Collins. James Wheeler will speak to the club next week on the Crippled Children's Camp and on Dec. 5, the club will be the guest of Valley View Lodge for lunch and a tour of the new

nursing center. President Clint Bray presided.

Crippled Children's Camp Club Director Ernest Sneed reported on a meeting of his committee and urged the entry of names of qualified youngsters in Eastland and this area who may be sent by the club to the camp next summer. The club can send crippled children from age 6 to 16, and diabetics from age 7 to 16. Mr. Sneed, members of the committee or any Lion will take names of those who could go to the special camp.

Mr. Charles Hill of Cisco will begin soon with a stock sale (at \$1 a share, refundable in full) Mr. Collins said, to raise some \$8,000 operating funds for the Centennial. This money will be used to purchase commemorative plates, coins and other items to be sold in connection with the self-supporting project. Committees are working throughout

the county and plans are developing nicely in practically every area, he said.

Much interest is being developed especially in the history book which will be printed and sold during the celebration. Starting date for the actual celebration will be May 5, 1973, for an eight-day period, to include three or four nights of a Eastland County - 100 pageant.

All in all, he said, the plan is to involve as many people as possible in the Centennial.

Stating that some in the beginning had questioned the advisability of hiring an out-of-county firm (for some \$10,000) to stage the event, Mr. Collins pointed out that the company has a very impressive record of staging such events, and in fact over a million dollars a day leaves the county for wholesale purchases and others.

## Ciscoan Report Good Food, Climate

Tourists are finding a warm welcome in most of the African countries despite newspaper accounts of disorder and unrest in some of them, according to Miss Helen Crawford of Cisco, who has just returned after a tour of some 25 days there.

Making the trip during the period Oct. 10 - Nov. 5, Miss Crawford found ideal climate conditions, good food and excellent accommodations. Except for one country - Zaire - prices of most things were equal to or less than those of the United States, she said.

Miss Crawford made the trip with a small group of seven Presbyterians, headed by Virginia Pruitt of Dallas, the tour director. Mrs. Pruitt had formerly been in Africa as a missionary and her wide acquaintance with people and places added to the interest of the trip, Miss Crawford said. Leaving Dallas on Oct. 10th, the group flew to Rome where they spent two days. A highlight there was a tour of Vatican City, including the recently opened Pope's Gardens.

From Rome, the group flew to Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, for a stay of several days. They lived in a modern Hilton Hotel across the street from Emperor Haile Selassie's palace. The party found Ethiopia to be a country of happy, friendly people. The capital city is 7,500 feet altitude, hilly, surrounded by low mountains, and dotted with modern buildings.

### Little Bit Of News

Mrs. Salora Gilkey has, as Thanksgiving guest in her home Mr. and Mrs. M.L. Poole and their granddaughter, Darby of Jackson, Miss.

The Pooles are also visiting with Mrs. Pooles' brother the James Gilkeys of Graham.

Flying to Lalibela, in the Ethiopian back country, the group was awed by a 12th century church complex built from bottom to top in solid stone. Eleven of the church buildings carved entirely from stone are still in use in that rugged country area.

Of special interest was a 50-year old Presbyterian church

### Litter Pickup Cost Estimated \$3.3 Mil

AUSTIN - Public concern for a cleaner environment may be having an effect, at least on litter pickup.

Officials of the Texas Highway Department today announced a slight decrease in statewide litter pickup costs over the past year. However, they warned that the litter problem is far from solved.

The litter pickup cost estimate for fiscal 1970 - 71 was approximately \$3.3 million, as compared to a 1971 - 72 estimate of \$3,285,000.

"But when you consider inflation, as well as the increased number of vehicles using our highways, this is a major improvement," said Roger Spencer, maintenance engineer for the Highway Department.

The number of motor vehicles registered in Texas over the past year has decreased approximately five percent. In addition, the number of vehicle miles traveled increased approximately 10 percent compared to last year.

"Although we have been striving to improve our efficiency in litter pickup, there have been no changes of a sufficient nature to explain this improvement," Spencer said. "Public education programs and increased public concern must be the cause."

## To Participate

Ranger and its most colorful history will be an important part of the 1973 Eastland County Centennial Celebration as the result of a planning session Tuesday evening attended by nearly 35 people.

Meeting at the First State Bank Conference Room, Mrs. Betty Brashier and Bill Auvenshine were named co-chairmen for the Ranger Division as plans were mapped and details outlined for preparations for the Celebration.

Mike Collins was the speaker and he gave a general report on the beginning thinking and developments where are being seen now. A non-profit charter has been secured and definite steps will be taken soon to start the Centennial program into action.

Among the many activities

will be a Ranger Day, parades, a queen's contest and coronation, a beard growing requirements, and a super spectacular pageant for three or four nights to tell the Eastland County 100 story, with all its history.

The self supporting event will be offering EC 100 souvenirs and attractions beginning soon after the first of the year.

### Briefly Told

Recent visitors in the Troy Ray home were Mr. and Mrs. Delmer D. Jones and children, Denna, Dana, and David of Lafayette La.

David, who has enlisted in the Navy will be leaving Dec. 8.

They have been enjoying some deer hunting in this area and report getting one!

Read the Classifieds!

## Joe Jackson Named Interstate Chief

Joe S. Jackson has been named executive vice president of ABC Interstate Theaters, Inc., it was announced Thursday from New York City by P. Harvey Garland, president, ABC Theater Holdings, Inc.

In this position, effective January 1, 1974, Jackson will head the 98-theater circuit that operates in five states - Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee and Arkansas.

Jackson will succeed William E. Mitchell, whose elected retirement as president of ABC Interstate was recently announced.

Jackson, an Interstate veteran of 35 years, started as an assistant theater manager while a student at Southern Methodist University in Dallas. He moved through the ranks, serving in various capacities. He was manager of the Village Theater, supervisor of suburban theaters in Dallas, and in 1951 joined the buying and booking department. In 1955, he was elevated to head of that department and in 1967 was made a vice president. In 1970, he was named vice president and general manager.

Headquarters for the circuit is in Dallas. Interstate theater in Eastland is the ABC Majestic.

Jackson is a past chief barker of the Variety Club of Dallas, a charitable organization comprised of showmen, and he is active in many industry

affairs including National Association of Theater Owners of Texas (NATO). His twin brother, Jack B. Jackson, is president of J.C. Penney Co., Inc. in New York City.

Mitchell said that, under the supervision of Jackson, ABC

Interstate is guaranteed continued success and an exciting future of expansion.

"Joe Jackson has a wealth of experience in all phases of exhibition and will bring to the screens of Interstate theaters the top motion pictures," Mitchell said.

## BSU Selling Fruit Cakes Here

Members of the Baptist Student Unions of the area colleges are offering choice fruit cakes for sale for the holiday season.

Offered are one, two, three or five pound fruit cakes made in Stephenville by the Sun - Joy Shops, from a 40-year-old recipe for Mrs. Bane's original secret black walnut cakes.

Richard Kurklin is taking orders and may be reached at 442-1606 (Cisco) after 5 p.m., or persons may leave their names and telephone numbers at 629-1739 (First Baptist Church, Eastland) during business hours.

Proceeds from the sale go to help pay for qualified students to witness to others.

## Treated at Circus

Tiffany and Trey Hoffmann and their guests, Ginger Hoffmann, Jim Moylan, Jody and Jeff Bakker, were treated with a visit to the Shrine Circus in Fort Worth Saturday by their father, G.W. Hoffmann Jr. and Miss Shannon Wilson.

The cakes will be delivered in time for Christmas, Mr. Kurklin said. Cost is \$2.25 per pound before Dec. 1, and \$2.50 per pound after Dec. 1.

## Lions Paying

The Lions of Texas this month are paying special tribute to three programs of service. Since 1953, at the Texas Lions Camp for crippled children at Kerrville, the Lions have provided a summer full of fun for more than 14,000 blind, deaf, muter and crippled children.

During the other nine months, the camp is used as a rehabilitation center for the adult blind.

And for the past two summers the league sponsored the Texas Lions Camp for diabetic children using leased facilities at Friendswood.

For additional information about any of these programs, call Ernest Sneed at 629-2165.

District Camp Chairman James Wheeler of Abilene will speak at the Eastland Club on the camp on Tuesday, Nov. 28, according to J.B. Arther.

## The World's Meanest Mother

I had the meanest mother in the whole world. While other kids ate candy for lunch, I had to eat a sandwich, and, as you can guess, my supper was different from the other kids too! My sister and two brothers had the same mother as I did.

"My mother insisted upon knowing where we kids were at all times. You'd think we kids were on a chain gang. She had to know who our friends were, what we were doing. She insisted if we said we'd be gone an hour that we be gone not one hour and one minute. I am ashamed to admit it, but she actually struck us, not once but each time we did as we pleased. Can you imagine someone actually hitting a child just because he disobeyed? Now you can begin to see how mean she really was.

"The worst is yet to come! We had to be in bed by nine each night, and up early the next morning. We couldn't sleep till noon like our friends. So, while they slept, my mother actually had the nerve to break the child labor law. She made us work. We had to wash dishes, make beds, learn to cook, and all sorts of cruel things. I believe she laid awake at night thinking up mean things to do to us. She always insisted upon our telling the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, even if it killed us... and it nearly did.

"By the time we were teenagers she was much wiser, and life became even more unbearable. None of this tooting the horn of a car in front of the house for us to come running. She embarrassed us to no end by making our dates and friends come to the door to get us.

"I forgot to mention, while our friends were dating at the 'mature age' of 12 and 13, my old-fashioned mother refused to let us date until the age of 15 and 18. Fifteen, that is, if you dated only to go to school functions, and that was twice a year.

"My mother was a complete failure as a mother! None of us has ever been arrested or beaten his mate! Each of my brothers served his time in the service of his country. And whom do you think we have to blame for the terrible way we turned out? You are right, our mean mother! Look at all the things we missed... we never got to march in a protest parade, take part in a riot, burn draft cards, or a million things that our friends did. She forced us to grow into God-fearing, educated, honest adults.

"Using this as a background, I am trying to raise my three children. I stand a little taller and am filled with pride when my children call me 'mean'. Because you see, I thank God. He gave me the 'meanest' mother in the whole world!"

Editor's Note: The above was written by Orin Fifer of Phoenix, Ariz. It has become something of a classic and has been reprinted in many newspapers across the nation.

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## LEGAL NOTICES

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff or any Constable of any County of the State of Texas - GREETING:

WHEREAS, on the 15th day of May, 1972, Leta B. Barr, Executrix of the Estate of T.A. Nunn recovered in the 91st

District Court of Eastland County, a judgment against Jay Evans for the sum of \$4,033.01 plus attorney's fee of \$403.30, with interest thereon from the 29th day of July, 1972, at the rate of 10 percent per annum and costs of suit; and, whereas, the said judgment is a foreclosure of a

Vendor's Lien on the following described property, to-wit:

Being situated in Eastland County, Texas, and being the Northwestern 10 acres, more or less, from a 15 acre tract of land out of the W.G. Watkins Survey and R.G. Teston Pre-emption Survey, conveyed by Mrs. A.C. Fore, a widow, et al. to E.A. Tate, by deed dated February 2, 1951, and recorded in Vol. 446, pages 454 - 457 of the Deed Records of Eastland County, Texas, to which deed and the record thereof reference is here made for a more complete description.

as said Vendor's lien existed on the 29th day of July, 1968, and it is ordered and decreed by said judgment that said property be sold as under execution in satisfaction of said judgment. And if said property shall sell for more than sufficient to pay off and satisfy said sums of money, the excess should be paid over to the said Jay Evans. But if said property should not sell for enough to pay off said sums of money, the balance due shall be made as under execution, and such order of sale shall have the force and effect of a writ of possession, and the officer executing same shall make a good and sufficient deed, and place the purchaser of said property in possession thereof within thirty days from date of sale.

Therefore, you are hereby commanded that you proceed to seize and sell the above described property, as under execution, and make a good and sufficient deed and to place the purchaser of the same in

possession thereof within thirty days after the day of sale, and you apply the proceeds thereof to the payment and satisfaction of said sum of \$4,033.01 Dollars, and attorney's fees of \$403.30 together with the interest that may be due thereon, and the further sum of \$89.70 Dollars, costs of suit, together with your legal fees and commissions for executing this writ. And if the said property shall sell for more than sufficient to pay off and satisfy said sums of money, then you are hereby directed to pay over the excess thereof to the defendant. But if you fail to find said property, or if the proceeds of such sale be insufficient to satisfy said judgment, then you are directed to make the money, or any balance thereof remaining unpaid, out of any other property of the defendant, as in case of ordinary executions.

Herein Fail Not, but due return make hereof within thirty days showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of the 91st District Court of Eastland County, at my office in Eastland, this 6th day of November, 1972.

Joe T. Gray  
Clerk  
91st District Court  
Eastland County, Texas  
By Joe T. Gray  
Deputy.

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### LEGAL NOTICE

**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**  
Winfrey and Scott Cattle Company, Inc., P.O. Box 337, Rising Star, Texas 76471, has applied to the Texas Water Quality Board for an initial

waste control order pertaining to a variable amount of rainfall runoff water containing wastes from the feedlot operation (4000 head) which is located northeast of Town of Rising Star on a county road off of State Highway 36, Eastland County, Texas. The rainfall runoff water containing wastes is retained in a holding pond and there is no discharge to the surface waters of the State. A public hearing on this application will be held in the Council and Courts Building, Main & Freeman Streets, Duncaneville, Texas, 10:00 a.m. - December 15, 1972 to receive evidence on the conditions, if any, under which the order may be issued. Additional data will be developed at the hearing, but further technical information concerning any specific aspect of the discharge, if available, can be obtained by writing the Texas Water Quality Board, P.O. Box 13246, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711. (11 - 23 72)

## LETTERS to EDITOR

Dear Editor:

For several weeks I've been reading in The Telegram about some of the Older Cemeteries, in Eastland County. I would like to tell you something about one of the oldest cemeteries in Eastland County. This is the Merriman Cemetery.

When I was a small child my parents and us children lived near Merriman. We went to school, and attended church at Merriman. We played on the school ground which joined the cemetery on the North. We played in the church yard which joined the cemetery on the west. Most of my relatives are buried in the Merriman Cemetery, which is one of the best - kept cemeteries in Eastland County.

In 1922 or 1923 my Uncle Tom Duncan passed away and was buried there. He was known for his kindness and generosity as "Uncle Tom Duncan" to everybody. After his passing my Aunt Jessie Duncan bought a nice chain link fence and had the cemetery fenced so cattle could not get in.

Now there has been lots of talk about oil wells being drilled in the cemetery. This is very, very, untrue. There was never a well drilled in the Merriman Cemetery. I'm told that back in the boom days an oil company offered one million dollars to drill in there, but was

turned down. However the church house was torn down and a well drilled on that location.

I'm proud to say Merriman Cemetery is one of the best kept cemetery in the whole County.

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