

## Seven Birthday Residents Honored At Local Nursing Home



These ladies are the spirit of the activity program at the Rising Star Nursing Center. They are the volunteers for the home. They are unpaid and do it for the satisfaction and the smile and appreciation that they receive from the residents. They furnish the cake and cookies for all the parties.

They are from left to right: Violet Burcham, Vera Hill, Stella Hill, Lolene Claborn, Mary Carroll, Inez Robertson, and Rada King.

Photos by Carolyn Ratliff

## Rural Fire Department Requests Help

The Rising Star City Fire Department and Rural Department are no longer one and the same department.

The City no longer pays for the insurance, gas bills and other up keep on the rural trucks.

The department has two large rural trucks and one small one. We hope to have all three ready for action soon. It will be up to you, the rural people to donate enough money to pay for the insurance and up keep on these trucks. We are also in need of additional personnel to work with the department. There will be a meeting on

January 26th at 7:30 p.m. at the First State Bank Community Room. We strongly urge interested rural personnel to meet with us and help organize this department. The City trucks will not go outside the City limits. There is also a need of a building to park the rural trucks in.

**Lorene Clark**  
The Department wishes to thank Mr. and Mrs. Roland Atwood, Mr. and Mrs. James Murphee, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Hill and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Stroebel for donations to the Rural Fire Department.

## Snow Falls Sunday

Big, beautiful white snowflakes fell Sunday. Early in the morning, snow began falling and left a spotted cover on the ground. By noon, a steady falling was beginning to accumulate. This kept up most of the afternoon although temperatures hovered near the freezing mark. By late afternoon, the snow had turned to a fine wet mist.

Skies stayed cloudy all day Monday, but began clearing early Tuesday.

## Ada Prentice Installation

The Ada Prentice United Methodist Women met in the Fellowship Hall of the Methodist Church at 2:00 p.m. Monday.

The opening song, "Take Time to Be Holy" was sung with Grace Glenn at the piano and B. Kelton leading.

Mrs. Ben Branum gave the opening prayer and devotional,

the Christian Way and read a poem—"Things Worthwhile", by Mabel Brown Denizen and the lesson, Human Rights.

Betty Wilson conducted the business meeting. The minutes were read and approved.

Plans were made for Installation of Officers to be held at 2:00 p.m. February 2, 1981.

The meeting closed with the repeating motto in unison.

Cookies and coffee were served by Alice Gee and Effie McGregor to the following members: Clyde Allen, Loyce Holt, Mary Michaels, Ben Branum, Betty Wilson, B. Kelton, Grace Glenn and Opal Fleming.

was taken from her home on South Anderson Street to the Brownwood Regional Hospital on Sunday the 18th.

Mr. John Nunnally was transported to Eastland Memorial Hospital from his home on South Joyce Street Monday. While the ambulance was gone with Mr. Nunnally, a call was received of an accident involving a man who was

working on an automobile and fell while he was underneath it. The Rising Star dispatcher called the Cross Plains ambulance, who responded to the call and took the man, Burton Davis, to Brownwood.

The Club thanks Mrs. E.B. Jarrell and Mrs. Pearl Walker for contributions to the ambulance fund.  
**Lorene Clark**

Wednesday was the day for the Birthday Party. The table was very full of delicious cakes furnished by the hostesses. Everyone enjoyed music by Bryant Houston and Nell Maynard. The people having a birthday this month were: Ethel Degman-77; Mary Hammett-93; Earnest McDaniel-94; Oma Poteet-99; Jennie Crutchfield-86; Maggie Clardy-87; Rose Roach-91; Happy Birthday everyone from all of us.

Those having birthdays during January, but not present for the party were: Ernest McDaniel-94 and Maggie Clardy-87.



Oma Poteet-99



Mrs. Rose Roach-91

Ethel Degman-77



Jennie Crutchfield-86



Mary Hammett-93

## Final Census Count Shows Rising Star Population At 1195

Final Regional Census Bureau in Dallas has released the preliminary figures of the 1980 census after clearance from the census office in Washington, D.C..

Area officials were furnished the first computations of the population census and housing count and then the figures were transmitted to Washington, D.C., where they were subject to a consistency check by computer after which they were given a careful analysis by the Bureau's Population Division and then released to the regional centers as

preliminary census figures.

The final figures to be released in 1981 will be a refined version of the preliminary figures and may show differences.

The City of Rising Star was notified that their final figure will be 1195. This is up from the previous count of 1009.

Other area counties and towns have population counts as follows:

**Brown**  
County-33,026; Brownwood: 19,341; Bangs: 1,699; Blanket: 388; Early: 2,327.  
**Callahan**  
County-11,039. Baird: 1,697; Clyde: 2,584;

Cross Plains: 1,241; Putnam: 118.

**Coleman**  
County-10,361. Coleman: 5,869; Novice: 199; Santa Anna: 1,536.

**Comanche**  
County-12,593; De Leon: 2,467; Comanche: 4,072 and Gustine: 414.

**Eastland**  
County-19,446. Eastland: 3,744; Cisco: 4,497; Gorman: 1,260; Ranger: 3,169; Rising Star: 1,195.

**McCulloch**  
County-8,688. Brady: 5,946; Melvin: 201.

**Mills**  
County-4,505. Goldthwaite: 1,791; Mullin: 214.

**San Saba**  
County-5,838. San Saba: 2,856; Richland Springs: 422

## Two New Members Installed At 4-H Meeting

The Rising Star 4-H Club met Tuesday, Jan. 6 at 7 p.m. in the Ag room with 20 members attending.

President Travis parson called the meeting to order. Toby Long led the pledge and Karmen led the group in the 4-H prayer.

Mrs. Donna White, Eastland County Home Economics Agent gave an interesting and informative program on method demonstrations, illustrated talks and 4-H Round Up Contests. The County Round Up will be held during the first part of April.

Secretary Jami Long read the minutes and called the roll.

President Parson adjourned the meeting and refreshments were served.

The club would like to thank Donna for coming over from Eastland to give the program and for bringing the county year-book.

The Clothing Project training will begin soon. I will try to have more on that next week.

4-Hers with Animal Projects are looking ahead and preparing for the County Livestock Show March 19, 20 and 21. The Abilene Stock Show will be this month, Jan. 18-21. The Fort Worth Stock Show will run Jan 28 through Feb. 8.

We had two members to join 4-H this month. A big welcome to Camille Harris and Gena Spencer.

Til next week,  
Stephanie Long

## 103, Mrs. Morgan

Gran-Gran, is the name her great-grandchildren call her. She has seen more sunrises than anyone around this part of the world and that takes in a few million folks. Quiet, collective and with a very sweet personality, she still works with her daughter in the house work- and especially an outstanding individual in the kitchen. Mrs. Morgan is referred to as "MA Morgan" among her so very many friends, and they are many.

In her past, she has cooked for a family on open fires and at the hearth of a fireplace, wood stoves and up to

the world of butane and propane as we know it today, yet once again, she says when asked, "The most enjoyable advance in living is Running Water."

This little lady loves her family with a deep personal passion that is relected daily. The amazing memory on occasion can cause some one my age to listen very carefully as history begins to unfold.

The Anderson clan in and around Sipe Springs, Texas is real proud of this little lady.

This is written with respect and love.

In Value  
Leroy Woody.

## Mrs. Willie Hughes To Be Honored

Mrs. Willie Hughes of Rising Star will be honored Saturday, January 24, at the First State Bank, when she will celebrate her 80th birthday. The celebration will be

hosted by her children and grandchildren. Time-2 til 4.

All friends and relatives are cordially invited to come and help her celebrate. No gifts, please.

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Some 600,000 households will divide \$33.8 million this winter under the Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP), Marlin W. Johnston, acting commissioner of the Department of Human Resources said today.  
The program, established by Congress, is designed to assist low income households meet the increased cost of energy for heating their homes.  
Johnston said the case assistance will be one-time payments, and will range from \$20 to \$140, based on family size, income, primary heating energy used, and county of residence.  
Payments will begin in January and continue through March, 1981, Johnston said.  
About 400,000 households will receive the energy payment automatically, and do not have to apply for it. These are households now receiving benefits from Aid to Families with Dependent Children, Supplemental Security Income, or Food Stamps.  
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**SIPE SPRINGS NEWS**

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Anderson and two daughters have returned home from a visit with mother and other relatives of Mrs. Anderson of London, England.

Mrs. Charlie Screws of Little Rivers and son, Charles Screws of Abilene visited Mr. and Mrs. Dick Wyatt Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carson Seals of San Angelo visited Mr. and Mrs. G.T. Whittle Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gayle Leonard of Ft. Worth spent Wednesday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. N.L. Leonard.

Mr. and Mrs. David Jackson of Austin spent last weekend with his parents, Mrs. and Mrs. Whaley Jackson.

Mrs. Ruby Boswell, Mae Leonard and Thelma Price visited their friend, Mrs. Dewey Lewis in Comanche Nursing Home.

**Leonard's Celebrate 60th Anniversary**

Mr. and Mrs. N.L. Leonard, Sr., of Sipe Springs, were honored by their children on their 60th wedding anniversary at the Senior Citizens Center in Rising Star with a reception on Sunday, Dec. 28, 1980, from 2 to 4

p.m.

Denese Leonard, granddaughter of the couple, was at the registry table. Some 89 registered.

The table was beautifully decorated with white lace cloth with gold metallic flowers. The flower arrangement was silk autumn flowers in a candle holder made by Nancy Leonard. The beautiful three tiered cake was decorated with rose colored roses, topped with a miniature bride and groom.

Punch was served from a brass punch bowl and serving cups. Mrs. Luella McKinney, Rilla Richburg, Margie West and Julia Ross, were at the serving table.

The Senior Citizens Band entertained and dedicated a melody of waltzes to Mr. and Mrs. Leonard. This was an enjoyable event to all.

Nonnie L. Leonard and Sally Mae Rye were married Dec. 23, 1920, in Comanche, Texas. They have lived their entire lives in Sipe Springs with the exception of ten years, when they lived in Baird. Mr. Leonard is a World War Veteran I, serving in the U.S. Army in 1918.

They have five sons surviving. Gayle Leonard of Ft. Worth, Don Leonard of Temple, Nonnie Leonard, Jr., of Corpus Christi, George Leonard and Ronnie Leonard of Westlake, La. They have nineteen grandchildren and fourteen great grandchildren.



- JANUARY 22 — Ottis Lee
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- JANUARY 23 — Judy Butler
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- JANUARY 24 — Linda Burns
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- JANUARY 25 — Joe Dell Hubbard
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- Nathan Henson
- JANUARY 28 —

**"CJC SPRING REGISTRATION LOOKS GOOD"**

According to Olin O. Odom, Registrar, Spring registration at Cisco Junior College is looking very good. Odom is projecting an increase in enrollment over the Spring of 1980, noting that "there is an unusually high number of new students for a Spring registration."

Although classes began January 13, students wishing to register for classes at Cisco Junior College may still do so. They should register as soon as possible to keep from getting behind in their work.

Students may register during regular office hours (8:00 - 5:00 and 1:00 - 5:00) until January 22 at the Registrar's Office on the Cisco campus, the Clyde Educational Center in Clyde, or the Community College Center in Abilene at 1600 Sherman.

Academic, vocational, and financial assistance counseling are available. For full information call: (817) 442-2567 in Cisco; (915) 893-5967 in Clyde; or (915) 698-2212 in Abilene.

**Beta Upsilon Has Meeting**

Under the leadership of Anna Auvenshine, President, Beta Upsilon Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma International met Saturday, January 10, 1981, at 9:30 a.m. in the National Bank Community Room, Eastland, Texas.

Thirty members and two guests were welcomed with delicious refreshments served by the hostesses Imogene Haun, Opal Little, Mary Ann McCloud, Sybil Powell, Beulah Smith, and Ethel Sparks.

Evelyn Kirk, program Chairman, introduced Cisco Junior College's Academic Dean, Clovis Purvis, and Vocational Technical Dean, Gerald Bint, who brought a most interesting and informative program on "Learning For Enrichment," Community Service Programs offered by Cisco Junior College.

According to Mr. Purvis the Community Service Programs offered by C.J.C. are basically for fun. They are as varied as the interests of the people and are offered to both adults and children. A few courses previously offered are Powder Puff Mechanics, Cake Decorating, Art (for both adults and children), Income Record Keeping, Small Engine Repairs, Micro-Wave Cooking, Folk Dancing, Macrame, and Yard Care. Though some

courses are free the average tuition fee is \$15.00. They average 8 weeks in length and meet once a week for 1-2 hours. The college does not receive State funds for these courses, members were given an opportunity to suggest specific courses they would like to see offered.

A get-well card was signed by members for Ella White, who has a broken hip and is in Eastland Hospital.

June Hicks, transfer from Breckenridge, was welcomed to the Chapter.

It was reported that \$54.00 had been sent to the Chapel Fund at Abilene State School and to the Delta Kappa Gamma World Fellowships Fund.

Greetings were received from Area VII Coordinator, Helen Lyles, who encouraged all members to attend (1) the dedication ceremony of the gravesite marker for Cora Martin, of the 12 Founders, in Chico, Texas, April 11, 1981, (2) the State Convention in Ft. Worth, June 11-14.

Adeline Meredith passed out Membership cards to be updated by individual members.

The February meeting will be in Rising Star, February 7, at noon at the Lakewood Country Club.

Reporter, Catherine Goleman

**ReHab Has Pledges Totaling Almost \$1 Million**

Pledges made at the rehab '81 telethon benefiting the West Texas Rehabilitation Center totaled almost \$1 million.

More than 6,500 pledges to support the treatment center for handicapped children and adults were made during the seven-hour telecast Saturday night.

Rehab officials announced pledges of \$989,350. This breaks down to \$635,350 pledged for the operating fund of the Rehab Center's three campuses in Abilene, San

Angelo and Snyder; \$246,000 pledged for the building of a new facility in San Angelo; and \$108,000 bid on auction items.

When the totals are complete, a 1981 budget exceeding \$3.5 million will be presented to the Board of Directors in February.

This was the eleventh annual telethon. It was telecast on 15 television stations and 11 radio stations in Texas, Oklahoma, and New Mexico. More than 25 stars, including Rex Allen, Shari Lewis, Jimmy Dean and James Drury appeared, along with Johnny Desmond and Helen O'Connell singing songs from the Big Band Era, stars from the Lawrence Welk Show and from "Days of Our Lives" and a group of country and western performers.

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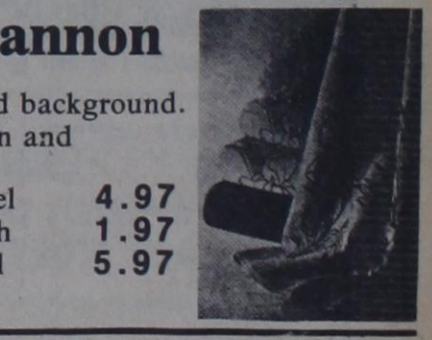
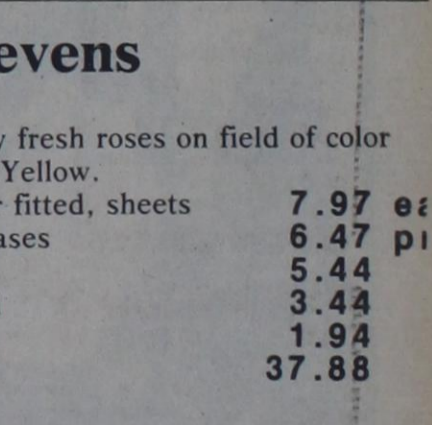
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Mary Hord, Annie Franke—Melissa, Corina Gomez.

Mattie Cosper, Oma Poteet—Melissa, Rosie, Corina, Nina, Amador Gomez, Ted Barton.

### Personals

Milt and Helen May traveled to Odessa over the weekend where they visited Kay, Eddie and boys. While there they also visited Mrs. Preston May, who is seriously ill in an Odessa Hospital.

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A bridal shower, honoring Mrs. Saron Isabel, nee Gay Williams, will be hosted Saturday, Jan. 24 at the Fellowship Hall of the First Baptist Church from 2 until 4 p.m. All friends are cordially invited to attend. Hostesses

Monday we played Bingo and had popcorn. Everyone had fun and there were quite a few winners. The winners were: Mary Hord, Mary Crisp, Mary Boase, Mattie Cosper, Ethel Degman, Bryant Houston, Ada Foster, Ora Clark.

Tuesday we gathered the news and caught up on the weekly gossip. The visitors are beginning to slow down after the holidays. Dominoes are beginning to be the main activity again. Some mornings and every afternoon you will find someone in the dining room hard at trying to win.

Friday was Bible Study. Mrs. Odom

gave the lesson and Mrs. Kelton played the piano. The residents enjoy the class very much and appreciate the time and effort that Mrs. Odom and the others put into it.

Saturday night everyone was in for a treat. They were entertained by Roland

Smith and the Sandyland Band from Gorman. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the program and hope they will come see us again.

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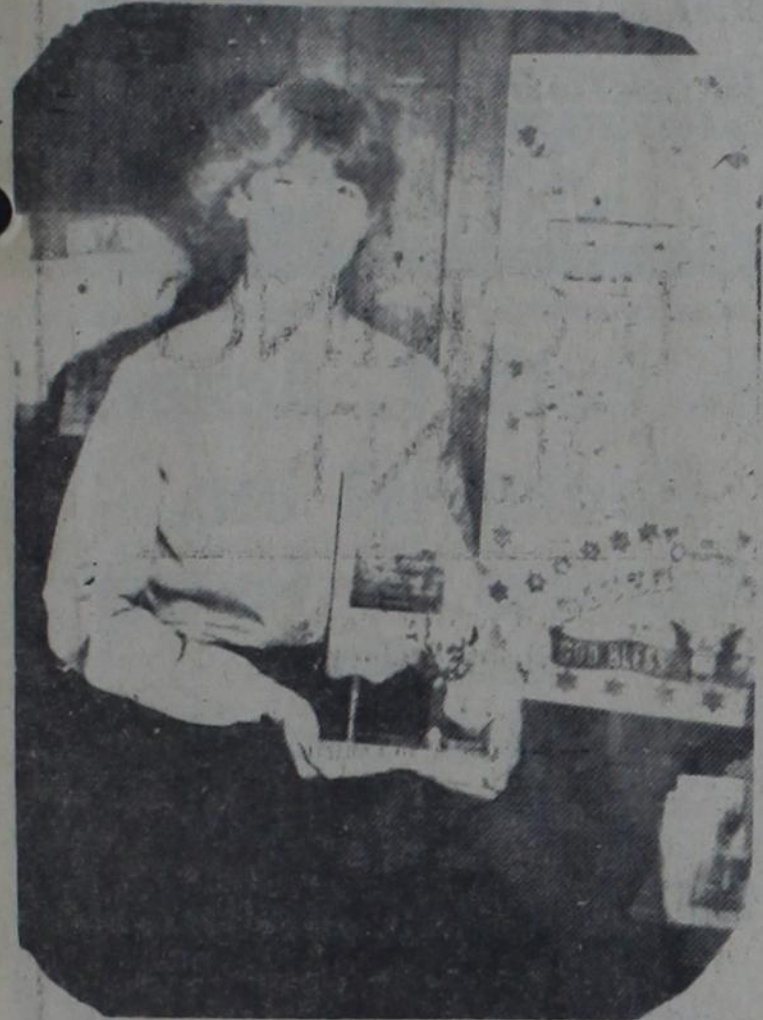
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Thursday, January 22, 1981

**Eastland Woman Jailed For Criminal Mischief**

Juanita Mae Profazi of Eastland was charged with criminal mischief after an incident in front of her house at about 11 a.m. Wednesday in which a woman was hospitalized, Eastland Police Chief Bobby Arriola said.

Mrs. Profazi allegedly used her pickup truck to ram another pickup parked in front of her house several times, causing damage Arriola estimated at \$2,400.

Subsequently, Jonnelle Baker of El Paso, who was in Mrs. Profazi's house, tried to telephone police she told authorities, but was allegedly restrained by Mrs. Profazi, who pulled the phone from her hands and began beating her with a gun, Arriola said. The gun was fired several times without injury.

Mrs. Baker, however, was taken to Eastland Memorial Hospital, where she's reported to be in serious condition with head lacerations and a broken nose.

Arriola said an investigation of the incident is continuing to determine if more serious charges will be filed.

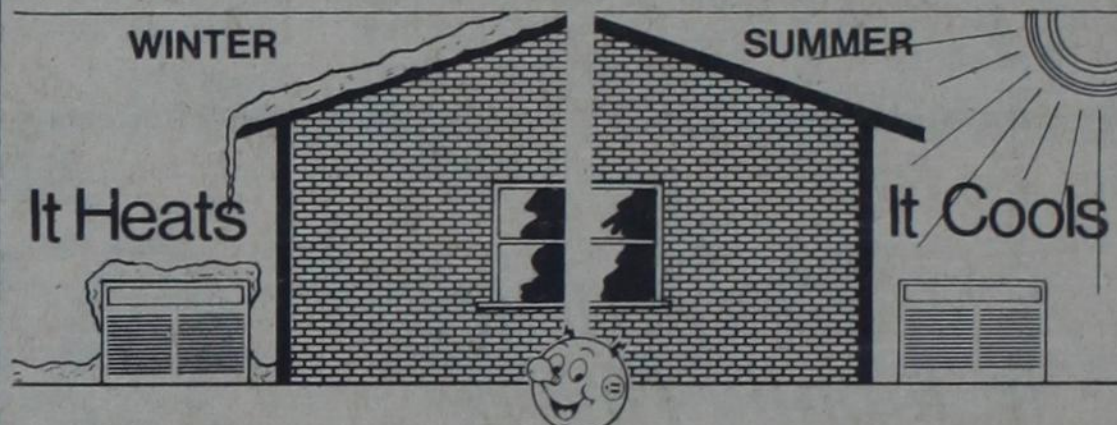
Mrs. Profazi was in Eastland County Jail in lieu of \$5,000 bond.

**PROGRAM FOR AG CENSUS USERS---** Users of agricultural census data will get a helping hand at a program designed especially for them on Feb. 5 at Texas A&M University. Speakers at the Census of Agriculture, agriculturally related data from the 1980 Census and other census data sources, and plans for the 1982 Census of Agriculture, says the head of Texas A&M's Department of Rural Sociology.

**CONFAB ON "COMPUTERS IN AGRICULTURE"**—Farmers and ranchers are into computers just like the rest of the business world, and a conference will be held Jan. 27-28 in Corpus Christi to help them make the most of these technical marvels. The conference will be at the Holiday Inn--Emerald Beach and is designed to provide agricultural producers, agricultural lenders, commercial fishermen and Extension personnel an introduction to several of the computers available to them. There will be "hands-on" sessions involving various programmable calculators and micro-computers, notes an economist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System.

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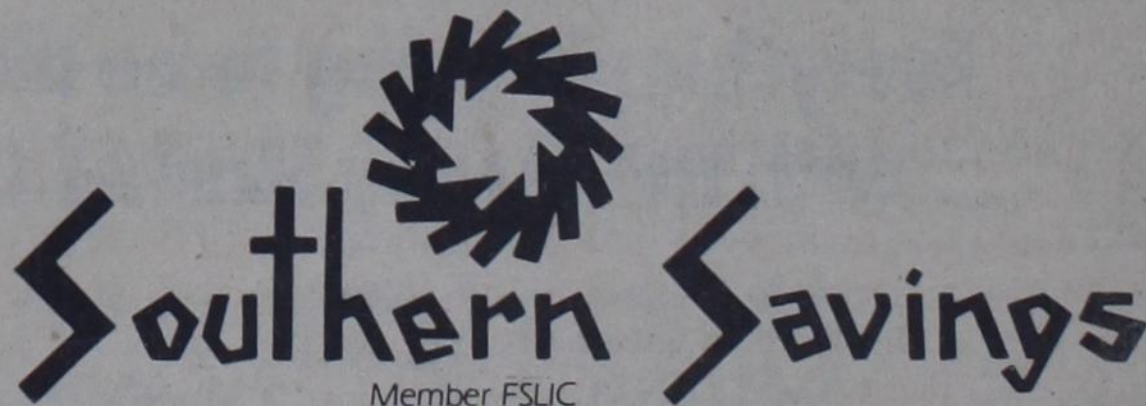
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The Pharisee and the publican represent two great classes into which those who come to worship God are divided. Their first two representatives are found in the first two children that were borne into the world. Cain thought himself righteous, and he came to God with a thank offering only. He made no confession of sin, and acknowledged no need of mercy. But Abel came with the blood that pointed to the Lamb of God. He came as a sinner, confessing himself lost; his only hope was the unmerited love of God. The Lord had respect to his offering, but to Cain and his offering He had not respect. The sense of need, the recognition of our poverty and sin, is the very first condition of acceptance with God. "Blessed are the poor in spirit; for theirs is the kingdom of

heaven." Matt. 5:3.

For each of the classes represented by the Pharisee and the publican there is a lesson in the history of the apostle Peter. In his early discipleship Peter thought himself strong. Like the Pharisee, in his own estimation he was "not as other men are." When Christ on the eve of His betrayal forewarned His disciples, "All ye shall be offended because of Me this night," Peter confidently declared, "Although all shall be offended, yet will not I." Mark 14:27, 29. Peter did not know his own danger. Self-confidence misled him. He thought himself able to withstand temptation; but in a few short hours the test came, and with cursing and swearing he denied his Lord.

When the crowing of the cock reminded him of the words of Christ, surprised and shocked at what he had just done he turned and looked at his Master. At that moment Christ looked at Peter, and beneath that grieved look, in which compassion and love for him were blended, Peter

understood himself. He went out and wept bitterly. That look of Christ's broke his heart. Peter had to come to the turning point, and bitterly did he repent his sin. He was like the publican in his contrition and repentance, and like the publican he found mercy. The look of Christ assured him of pardon.

Now his self-confidence was gone. Never again were the old boastful assertions repeated.

Christ after His resurrection thrice tested Peter. "Simon, son of Jonas," He said, "lovest thou Me more than these?" Peter did not exalt himself above his brethren. He appealed to the One who could read His heart. "Lord, he said, 'Thou knowest that I love Thee.'" John 21:15,17.

Then he received his commission. A work broader and more delicate than had heretofore been his was appointed him. Christ bade him feed the sheep and the lambs. In thus committing the souls for whom the

Saviour had laid down his own life, Christ gave to Peter the strongest proof of confidence in his restoration. The once restless, boastful, self-confident disciple had become subdued and contrite. Henceforth he followed his Lord in self-denial and self-sacrifice. He was a partaker of Christ's suffering; and when Christ shall sit upon the throne of His glory, Peter will be a partaker in His glory.

The evil that led to Peter's fall and that shut out the Pharisee from communion with God is proving the ruin of thousands today. There is nothing so offensive to God or so dangerous to the human soul as pride and self-sufficiency. Of all sins it is the most hopeless, the most incurable.

To be continued next week.

**First Baptist Church**

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For the Christian, to be free from the penalty of sin is a free gift of God to us. It is free to us because of the struggle, suffering, and agony of our savior as he went to the cross and died for us.

Personal freedom from sins in our lives is the negotiation we must work out.

To be captive of alcohol, a slave to an illicit relationship, a prisoner of depression, a servant of self pity, to be detained by irrational thinking about life, and so much more, does destroy and rob us of what we really ought to be and want to be.

Freedom does cost us.

We will have to decide what we want and stick to the decision.

We will have to learn to say no and yes as we should.

We will have to be willing to struggle, fight, and pay the price to achieve our freedom.

Dare we give in to that which would make us hostage.

We can affirm: God is our help, and pray for His strength.

We can achieve freedom if we stick to our goal and are willing to pay the price to achieve it.

R.D. Williams, Pastor

Salad Thursday, January 22, 1981

- Chocolate pudding
- Whipped topping
- Tuesday
- Goulash
- Corn on the Cob
- Green Beans
- Salad
- Rolls
- Fruit jello
- Wednesday
- Tacos
- Cheese
- Spanish Rice
- Fruit Salad
- Thursday
- Pinto Beans
- Corn Dogs
- Slaw
- Corn Bread
- Cobbler
- Friday
- Sloppy Joes
- Pickles
- Onion
- Relish
- Potatoes
- Cookies

**BREAKFAST**

- Monday
- Toast
- Oats
- Jelly
- Juice
- Milk
- Tuesday
- Pancakes
- Syrup
- Sausage
- Juice
- Milk
- Wednesday
- Cinnamon Rolls
- Juice
- Milk
- Thursday
- Scrambled Eggs
- Toast
- Bacon

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Juice  
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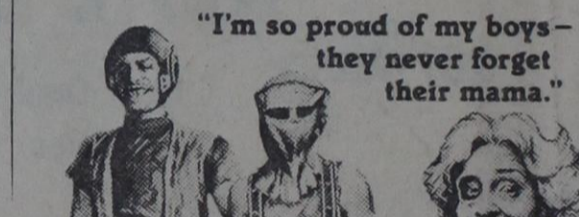
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# THE KEY

By Viola M. Payne

629-1728

Thursday, January 22, 1981

In the Eastland County Nursing Home there are many volunteers who make life brighter for the residents. Sometimes we think of them as doing all the giving in this situation - yet many of these volunteers would probably state that they have received a lot of benefit for the time spent. At least that was my own experience, during the time I was a local volunteer....

As I drove to the Nursing Home that morning, the sky was clear and brilliant - as if a dark scroll had been rolled away. A mockingbird sang from a mat of fresh oak leaves. Carpets of grass and flowers tried to remind me that it was spring. But my mind was shrouded with a question, and I could not roll it back like the clouds from yesterday's sky.

Why did the people in the Nursing Home, where I would soon play my violin, have to suffer the indignities of old age, failing health, confinement, and a loss of creative power?

I hadn't asked that question at first. I had planned to simply go there each Monday, play my instrument, give the residents a pat on the back, and tell them that everything would turn out fine. The last thing I had expected was a spiritual crises in my own mind.

But that was before I had begun to care for the residents as individuals, and feel the terrible questioning start.

Why did Clyde have to be twisted and helpless, and confined to the dreadful contraction of a chair he pushed along? He was a religious man, people told me, and he still tried to sing "Heavenly Sunshine" in a mumble. And Althea - how her eyes lit, in her lovely 90 yr. old face, when I played "Sweet Hour Of Prayer". Yet her legs were so weak and painful that she had to push herself about in a wheel chair. And dear little cheerful Frances - living on courage!

I turned each case over in my mind. If I had the power, I would transform every one back into a vibrant young person, with their infirmities gone forever. There was something disturbing about

the thought, as if I were daring to consider myself more compassionate than God.

I had a son who enjoyed difficult puzzles and cryptograms, who claimed there was always a key which gave the solution to any riddle. But some of the pieces were missing to this dark riddle of life, and I saw no key to the answer. And how could I go on this morning, playing hymns to the violin, pretending to bring hope to the people, when I feared in my mind that they had little to hope for on this earth?

Life was, indeed, an existence full of strange contrasts. This soft warm air was particularly welcome after a hard winter. Rain, after drouth, was always like a breath of God. I reflected that I was thankful for the money in my pocket, because I had known what it was to be without. Lunch would taste good today, for I would be hungry. There was something mind-expanding about any experience of contrasts.

But time to put on a smile. At least the Nursing Home, shaped oddly like a cross, was small enough to be more homelike than some institutions.

I pushed a door open, hearing subdued clatter inside. But as I approached the Activities Center, I saw that an earlier meeting was being concluded. A group of young people were standing in the room, with the residents sitting in a semi-circle.

"That will be fine," The Activities Director was saying. "With all these young people to help us next Friday, our Walk-A-Thon will be a great success. And with the funds going for such a good cause --"

I paused at the threshold of the room, remember that this was one of the charitable projects the Nursing Home was involved in. But as I glanced toward the elderly residents, I saw that they were as interested in the young people as in the project. And I could hardly blame them, for there was an air of hope and vibrance in the young faces and bodies. How wonderful to be young!

But what had my Grandfather said, at age ninety-five when someone asked him if he would like to be young again He had paused, and thought, and finally answered:

"Why yes - I would like to be young - but only if I could know what I know now!"

The young people were beginning to stir restlessly, tired of confinement. Their movements were elastic and quick. The aged people in chairs look wistfully toward them, observing a world they could not enter - a world of dreams, accomplishment, and freedom.

What a strange contrast here, I thought suddenly. Could these young people possibly appreciate --

Then the revelation burst upon me, as if my mind had busily shifted questions and answers into their proper places. Or was this shaft of Higher wisdom, illumining my darkness?

"Of course -" the words leaped into order - "Of course these young people cannot possibly appreciate youth, for they have never known anything else! And how, I ask you, could anyone really appreciate Eternal youth unless they have known old age in this world?"

I stood quietly for a moment, stunned by the idea. Then the young people were thronging the hall, and the older faces turned toward me. They were eager for their songs of faith - faith tried in fires I had not yet known.

"I'm so glad to see you today," I stammered. "Why don't we begin by your singing 'Heavenly Sunshine', while I play?"

And the smile I gave back to them was real.



Mrs. Dan C. Webb of Amite, Louisiana, is visiting in the home of her brother and wife, Cliff and Lou Watkins. While visiting she also saw relatives in White Deer, Texas and Colorado.

Telephone number 629-1728 is Eastland Countians' link with each other -- the state, the nation and the world.

That's the number for Eastland County Dispatch, and Chief Dispatcher Bob Mercer reports that the five-year old organization continues to offer 24-hour communications and emergency number service.

Dispatch was established with the cooperation of all the cities and the county, and \$60,000 grant. All are still participating except the City of Ranger. A board governs the operation, and a subcommittee of lawmen set down the standard operating procedure. Dispatch offers of a broad range of services to the police departments, the sheriff's office and to the public.

The Chief Dispatcher is in charge of the message center, operations, insuring that the S.O.P. is adhered to and the equipment is maintained and supplies are on hand.

There are five full-time employees, and each works an eight-hour shift, 40 hours a week. They are beside Mercer, of Olden; Jourdine Miller of Cisco; Bob Burkett of Eastland; Sherry Arriola of Eastland; and Rebecca Crain of Gorman.

The Center maintains three major radios: a county frequency with a 50-mile radius; an inter-city-mutual aid with a 75-mile radius; and 37,180 remote transmission from the courthouse; and course Citizen Band, Channel 9.

The Center has teletype facilities funded by the Texas Department of Public Safety, with Texas-wide and nationwide net-works.

Data centers available include drivers license, vehicle registration, state and national stolen property listings.

The message capabilities affords Dispatch contact with all Texas police departments, sheriff's departments, and all states (except Hawaii) police and sheriff departments, as well as with 125 foreign countries through Interpool.

Wanted persons and stolen property data may be entered into the state and

national networks from the Eastland County center.

Mr. Mercer reports that the center keeps 15 logs, which reflects growing use of the facilities, which also includes other emergency services including explosive, chemical and nuclear reports as well as night business telephone file number and Skywarn (weather) reports.

The message center in 1980 recorded 316,985 pieces of business for an average of 381 a day, 36 an hour or one every minute and a half.

Radio transmissions are up with 139,636 logged last year: 70 per cent teletype public service; five per cent out of county; and 25 per cent routine. There were 126,003 pieces of teletype traffic with about 80 percent for data checks.

There were 45,994 telephone calls or roughly an average of one every ten minute.

By towns, public service calls were logged like this: 39% Cisco; 28% Eastland; 10% Sheriff; 20% dispatch; and about 3% Gorman-Rising Star-Ranger.

The day shift gets about 43% per cent of the load; evening 38%; and night 20%.

Overall there's been about a 17 per cent increase in Dispatch traffic from 1979 to 1980.

It's an important operation with a big budget: \$54,500. Of the total 80 per cent (\$42,600) goes for wages 10% (\$4,705) for general operations; 6% (\$3,150) for repair and maintenance; and 4% (\$1,788) for insurance and other.

### Local Briefs

Mrs. C. A. Crownover of Comanche visited in Rising Star Wednesday and helped her aunt Rose Roach celebrate her birthday.

John Nunnally is a patient at Eastland Memorial Hospital.

### Summer Internship

Students and teachers interested in participating in the second summer internship program sponsored by Congressman Charles W. Stenholm can pick up applications at the Congressman's Abilene District Office in the Federal Building.

Applications for the program, which will include two Omar Burleson Congressional Interns and two Lyndon Baines Johnson Congressional Interns, must be postmarked by midnight, February 14, and mailed to the Abilene office.

The interns selected will receive full Congressional Office experience at Stenholm's Washington office, with one intern from each program to serve during June or July of this year.

"After the overwhelming success evidenced by our first internships last year, I had no hesitation in sponsoring the program again," Stenholm said. "The four young people who served the initial program were truly outstanding workers and I feel that the experience they received will serve them well in

the future, whether in a government related field or as private citizens."

Selection for the internships is made by a District-wide seven-person selection committee, chaired by former Congressman Omar Burleson.

Applicants for the Burleson internships must be 18 years of age at the time he or she is in Washington, allowing high school seniors to have enrolled in an institute of higher learning to be eligible. Others include any student or graduate student who was enrolled during the preceding academic year at any of the District colleges, universities or technical institutes, or any other school, if the person's home record is within the District.

Formal applications and further details may be obtained from the Abilene District

Congressional Office, Texas 79604, or by calling P.O. Box 1101, Abilene, AC 915-673-7221.

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