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By Kernel Gene, aPe

Just for the sake of interest I was hoping there would be two or three candidates in the race for City Commissioner this year. However, with March 5th as the deadline for filing it doesn't look like there will be any contest.

Oda Monroe and I contemplated running but then we remembered the blow we had to our egos in a recent school board election and decided we were not cut out for office holders.

Erney Todd is handling license plates again this year at the same bargain rates.

Members of the Order of Eastern Star honored the Masons with a topnotch party and the very best talent available Monday night. Mrs. Dick Wynne and her girls trio, and that fine elocutionist Jackie Don Wheeler entertained the folks for an hour. Then the little ladies and gentlemen of Gorman put on a fashion parade. I think they ranged in ages up to five. Of course they stole the show.

With School Week coming up I repeat that I think we have above the average faculty in our school and I just hope we keep them for many years to come.

Illness In Gorman

Registered at Blackwell Hospital Tuesday were Mrs. Belle Harrison, J. O. Jackson, Bill Alsbrook, Mrs. Will Haynes, Mrs. B. S. Stephens, Marvinne Pennington, and Mrs. Floyd McCormack, all of Gorman.

Mrs. B. G. Young of Moran. Mrs. M. B. Barefoot, Mrs. Ruth Hall and Mrs. Noel, all of De Leon.

B. C. Naron of Rising Star. Mrs. Raymond Cambo of Nimrod.

Mrs. Mable Payne, Mrs. V. Overstreet and Mrs. Fannie Bridges, all of Carbon.

R. M. Walker of Archer City. J. W. Carter of Eastland. R. J. Cagle of Comanche.

Mrs. Jack Gibson, Mrs. George Brown and Miss Leola Evans, all of Cisco.

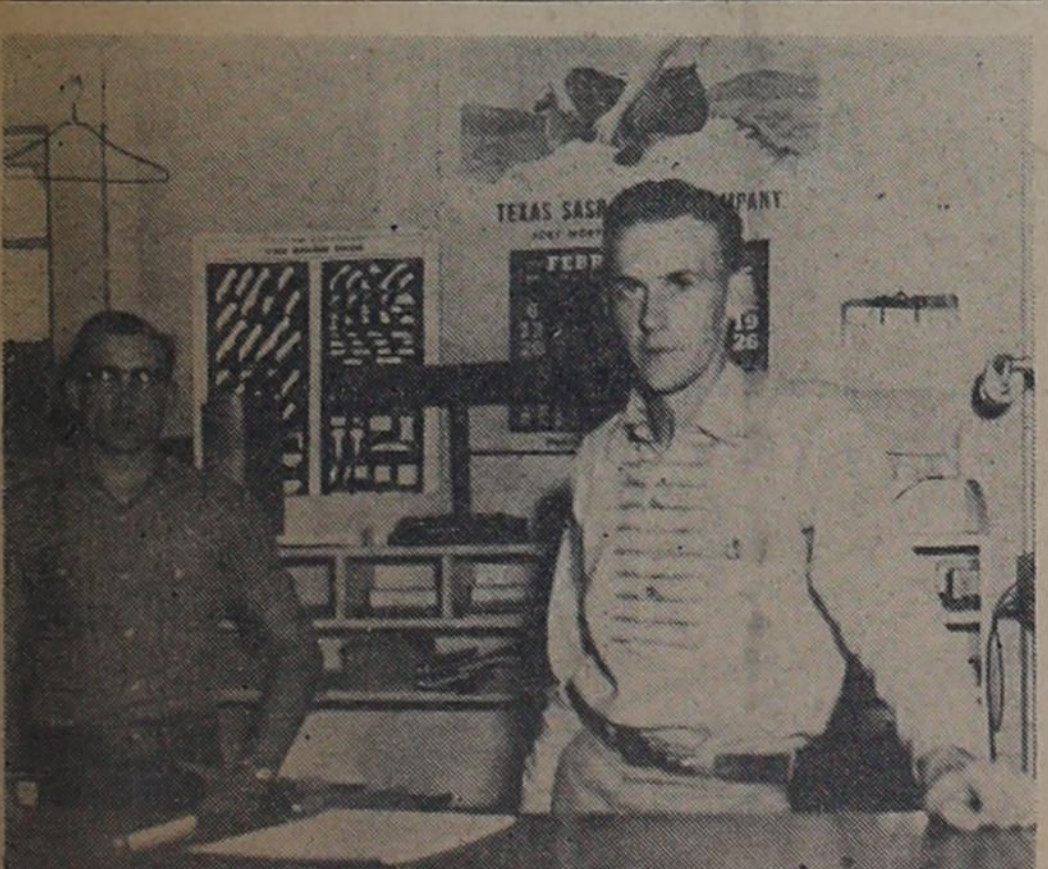
Mrs. L. S. Fagg of Caddo. Dale Gilmore of Snyder.

Swain of Breckenridge. D. S. Eoff of Lingleville.

Resided from Blackwell Hospital Tuesday were Mrs. J. C. Brigan of Canterville, Mrs. Will Asher and Sue Grice, both of Gorman, Mrs. Ellen Ballinger of Cross Plains, Mrs. Jessie Sparkman and Miss Tom Mann of Desdemona, Elvin Woolsey of Fort Worth, and Bob Clark of Rising Star.

The condition of Mr. Amos Eaker is reported serious. He is at home.

Mrs. Ed Wyatt, at Harris Memorial, is reported improved.



Doyle Chambers, formerly with Higginbotham's in Dublin, now in charge of Higginbotham's Lumber Yard in Gorman, was caught in the process of filling out order blanks for approximately two carloads of lumber. Doyle said, "If I have anything to say about it folks in Gorman won't have to go out of town for lumber. If I don't have it I will do my best to find it." Dwaine Watson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alton Watson, has been assigned to assist Doyle.

Lipan And Olden Girls To Meet Here Tuesday For Bi-District B'ball Title

Basketball Player Injures Knee

Spectators and players alike were sorry to see one of the best players of the Girls Basketball Team, Janey Thompson, fall with a strained ligament at the Olden Gorman Game Thursday night.

Team spirit does a lot of things and it took Janey right back onto the court twice, a spirit which one can but help admire but not condone since the player's health should come first.

The strained knee ligament, the doctor assures, will heal if given proper care. However, besides the pain it has inconvenienced Janey to the point of using crutches.

We hope the good little sportsman will soon be well again.

Announcements

A University of Scouting will be held at the First Methodist Church in Dublin on the evenings of March 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31st at 7:27 p. m. Interested parties should make application. J. E. Lightfoot of Comanche is Leadership Training Chairman.

The 2nd Annual Indian Trail Relay will be held here March 12. Superintendent Wilson announces that 50 schools have been invited to participate and that acceptances are being received.

The Excelsior Club voted to omit their March 8th meeting date and have rescheduled the Texas Day Dinner for March 22. This action was taken in order that the members may be able to cooperate with the town and the school in observing Public School Week.

The Methodist Sunday School Assembly Hour is 9:55 a. m.

Mrs. E. E. Todd has accepted the chairman of the Red Cross Drive in Gorman.

The drive begins March 1st.

Mrs. Tom Pritchett, mother of Mrs. G. C. Acree, resident of Eastland, is under the care of a local physician. She is suffering from a malady aggravated by heart disease.

Mrs. Belle Harrison continues to be a patient at the local hospital. Her condition is considered critical. She is mother to Mrs. Barton Eppler and Mr. Edward Harrison, and is sister to Dr. George Blackwell.

Mr. L. L. Dukes has been a patient at Scott and White in Temple. He has been suffering with hemorrhaging through his nose. Mrs. Dukes is with him. His condition is reported to be improved and they expected to come home Tuesday.

Mrs. E. L. Haile has experienced surgery at Cuero. Cards and letters will reach her, % Mrs. Oscar Friar, Cuero, Texas.

Mr. I. C. Underwood is resting at his home. His condition is reported improved.

City Commissioner Deadline Filing Date Is Saturday, March 5

The deadline for filing for the office of City Commissioner is March 5th.

Citizens desiring to file their name for the office should do same at City Office.

An election for April 5th will be authorized by the Commission at an early meeting.

One Commissioner will be elected to the place which will be made vacant by the expiration of the term of Harvey Parker which is presently being completed by the appointee, Gus Frossard.

PROCLAMATION

Tuesday, February 22, 1955
Texas' renowned educator and statesman, Mirabeau Lamar stated that the cultivated mind, which is the guardian genius of Democracy, is man's noblest tribute and the only dictator that freemen acknowledge, and the only security that freemen desire.

The cultivated mind has its fundamental development in the Public School.

Following the lead of the State Board of Education in designating March 7-12, 1955 as Public School Week;

I, T. L. Jay, Mayor of Gorman, Texas, do proclaim the observance and do urge every citizen to visit the school and become acquainted with the school and its work.

Signed: T. L. Jay,
Mayor of Gorman

PUBLIC SCHOOL WEEK

Let's go back to school - if only for a day. Do you remember the smell of chalk dust when the blackboards were erased? Or the mixture of odors coming out of the chemistry laboratory? The sound of marching feet on the way out to recess? The sing periods? And the flag-raising ceremonies, on occasion? Well, you can experience all of this again during Public School Week, March 7 through 12. All public schools will hold open house during the week. You will be made welcome. So let's made a date now to go back to school - if only for a day. Remember the dates - March 7 through 12.

Homemaking Cottage Is Lovely Scene For Excelsior Club 40th Anniversary Celebration

Members of the Excelsior Club entertained Tuesday evening in the Homemaking Cottage on the occasion of the Club's 40th Anniversary. Party rooms were lovely with colorful decorations designed by the arrangement committee Mrs. Eugene Baker and Mrs. Dona Moorman.

Foil letters on the foilage covered mantel spelled 1915 - EXCELSIOR - 1955. The refreshment table was laid in white with a floral piece of red and white carnations flanked by crystal and delablas holding flaming red tapers. The cloth was skirted with white flutes and Washington Birthday seasonal colored bows.

Tart canapes, fruited cookies, sweet pickles and cherry candies were served with coffee. Mrs. Baker poured from a silver service which has been cherished for one hundred years in her husband's family. The China, Bamboo pattern, was a gift sent from Japan by her son, Sgt. Tom Reese President of the Club. Mrs. M. H. Fairbetter, welcomed the guests including past presidents of the Club and the Desdemona Study Club.

Mrs. Vera Hamrick, program chairman, presented Mrs. Howard Wade, guest reviewer for the evening.

Mrs. Wade lives on a ranch between Ranger and Desdemona. She teaches at Grayford and for a time she and her husband lived in South America.

Mr. and Mrs. Manning Fairbetter of Granbury will move to Gorman March 1st. He will again be a member of the Gorman Progress Staff. They are purchasing the Stub Poyner place where they will live after a period of interior redecoration and remodeling.

Members of the club present who are past presidents are Mrs. Baker, Mrs. W. H. Blair, Mrs. M. F. Allen and Mrs. Sutton.

Regrets had been received from Mrs. Brummett of Denton, Mrs. J. F. Hankins of Lubbock, Mrs. M. L. Stubblefield of Baird and Mrs. Thomas Pitts.

Two past presidents are deceased, Mrs. W. A. Sutton and Mrs. M. Scales.

She reviewed Schiaparella, which is the life of the great French designer as she sees and remembers herself. An Italian by birth she was French by choice. Mrs. Wade gave the sometimes tragic, sometimes courageous and other times humorous biography from the third person viewpoint in a manner delighting her listeners.

Mrs. Hamrick then presented Mrs. E. C. Sutton, one of the two charter members of the club who have continuous membership, the other being Mrs. J. E. Foster, both of whom wore corsages, gifts of the club.

Mrs. Sutton gave FORTY YEARS WITH THE EXCELSIOR CLUB in an address interspersed with witty remarks.

Following her address the program leader conducted a brief period of reminiscing among the past presidents.

Guests attending were Mrs. Wade, Mrs. Hensley, Lingleville, Mrs. W. H. Davis, Mrs. C. W. Maltby, Mrs. L. E. Singleton, Mrs. Scitern and Mrs. Graham, all of Desdemona, and Mrs. Bill Tucker of Cheaney.

Past Presidents Mrs. Walter Davis, Brownwood; Mrs. Clyde King of Stephenville, Mrs. E. D. David of Lamesa, Mrs. M. E. Shell, Mrs. A. A. Brown, and Mrs. L. R. Eison.

Mrs. Boyd Hilley was also a guest.

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Public School Week Activities Announced

Visiting day in Grades 1-8 during Public School Week will be Wednesday, March 9.

Visiting day in High School, grades 9-12, will be Thursday, March 10.

An assembly program, open to the public, is set for Tuesday evening. Beginning at 7 p. m. the rooms will hold openhouse at which time the day's schedule will be run through with the visitor asking for any information desired and the teacher will explain her plan and purpose.

During the second hour beginning at 8 p. m. the grade school will present in dramatic skit, a contrast of education in modern and bygone days. Mrs. Ragland will be in charge.

Also the high school department will present "Texas Education Under Six Flags." Mrs. Allen will be directing.

The public is asked to keep the above mentioned dates reserved for attendance at the school events.

Investment In Public Schools

Quite a number of women and a lesser number of men school patrons have invested in the Public School during the present year.

Their investment for the most part has been an investment of their time.

With and under the direction of Mrs. Dorothy Hatcher, president of the Parent Teachers Association and Mrs. Hubert Craddock, secretary of the Association, the school has gained much from their investment.

Because of these women and others who have found time to lead, a great deal of the teachers load has been taken from her by the room mothers. The scope of the work done by the PTA covers much more than any teacher has the time for.

Their investment has provided and promoted cooperation between the parent, the child and the teacher and resulted in desirable understanding.

Every parent is invited to invest in the Public School.

Think Of This During Public School Week

1. Each year one of every nine teachers leaves the profession.

2. One-sixth of the present personnel of the Texas public schools are past fifty years of age.

3. Thirty-seven thousand four hundred and eighty-four students attended public school on half day or short schedule in 1952-1953.

4. Forty-four thousand, eight hundred and ninety-nine students were graduated from Texas Schools in 1953-54.

5. Last year Texas Public School enrollment was 1,704,327.

6. The 1959-60 enrollment can be expected to reach two million.

To stimulate youth's interest in the teaching profession civic and professional groups can arrange for scholarships to be given to capable and worthy students.

The community can cooperate in the observance of Public School Week.

A survey of qualified teachers in the school community or near by communities who may consider returning to the profession. Teachers have the potential ability of inspiring youth to have the teaching profession by radiating joy in her regular routine and other assigned duties.

This indeed is a very important key to the teacher shortage problem.

From a practical point of view the teacher in his or her present position has no justified cause for being anything less than pleasant. The present field is the best the teacher is capable of else she or he would move on to what he or she would consider a better field.

The parents also have an important part in the making of better schools and the preparation of additional teachers. Good parents will rear children who respect the rules of the school and thus forestall the provocation of forced discipline creating an unhappy situation for all concerned.

Which Do We Want? State Public Schools Or U. S. Schools

In each instance where an individual or a group of individuals accepts aid from the Federal Government in promoting private or state enterprise, the individual is the loser.

Delegating such responsibilities adds feathers to the left wing.

Texas of all States should have the foresight to block rather than to encourage the Federal Government to get into school business. Land grants made by farsighted Texans of the 19th century are a most important part of revenue for the Texas Public Schools. These Texans who made history in education could have sold off the lands at the prevailing price; but they looked to the future and a proud and independent State.

Texans must not give weight to the left wing by failing to protest the proposal that the Federal Government match the State's educational improvement fund.

There is grave danger in accepting monies from the Federal Government, which first the people will certainly have to give, and which second the government will have to employ innumerable persons to disburse.

Texas has potential monies in abundance. Then why should the Texans be stupid enough to tax themselves in order that the State may give money to the Federal Government, in order that the Government may give money back to Texas for her public schools. Considering the fact that there would be leaks all the way back to Texas and further that a great deal of lucre inevitably sticks to the hands of politicians, who by favored patronage often have the privilege of handling appropriations Texas should be ware.

Citizens of Texas have money for shows, for gasoline, for automobiles, for gambling, for drinking, for building, for wrecking, and they have money for schools and churches. It is lamentable that the monies for the latter two, schools and churches, too often miss the right channels.

In addition to the above mentioned Texans have intellect. The question is do Texans have the common sense to use their intellect.

Only the voters of the United States can get the Government out of business.

Citizens who blame the administration, in particular the President of the United States, or the Congress of the United States, for the increasing national debt, and for Government's mounting control of agriculture, transportation, industry and various big businesses, need to remember that "We the people have asked for government control in accepting unearned monies or subsidies, by voting for, by failing to vote against, and most of all by not protesting firmly against increased centralization of power."

It is my policy to write government officials both National and State from time to time, but never by petition or personal letter have I asked for any personal favor for me or for any member of my family and certainly I never expect to ask a favor that might cause an official to vary in his integrity. The letters I have found time to write have been some in protest to proposals which I felt if made into law would be detrimental to the United States or would limit State Rights; others have asked Congressmen or State Legislators to support bills the enactment of which I felt would be for the good of the citizen's welfare; and still others were telegrams or letters of commendation or congratulations for jobs well done.

Congressmen wish to hear from their constituency. It would be easy for Texans to accept money

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Graves Is Speaker At Eagle Scout Court Of Honor

Dr. T. C. Graves of Goldthwaite delivered the address at the Eagle Scout Court of Honor Thursday evening at the First Baptist Church. He cited the positive comparison between scouting and the church. He was introduced by Mr. Edwin Smith.

The honored scout, Woodrow Browning, was escorted by companion scouts Burnet Eison, Jr. and Kenneth Watson, each of whom took part on the program.

The Eagle Certificate was presented by Woodrow's father, W. C. Browning, and his mother pinned on the Eagle Award.

Others participating in the program were Scoutmaster, Bud Smith, Glen Mehaffey and Joe Collins.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank everyone for every card and visit, for the beautiful flowers and every other act of kindness shown me during my stay in the hospital. To the doctors and nurses and the whole hospital staff for their attention and kindness. Your thoughtfulness made each day more pleasant.

May God's blessing be on each one.

Mrs. Will Asher

CARD OF THANKS

I want to thank everyone who was so nice to me while I was at the hospital, for every kind deed, the nice gifts, the many, many beautiful cards and flowers and especially do I thank the doctors and nurses for being so sweet to me.

Again I want to say thanks to the entire staff. May God keep and bless each and everyone is my prayer.

Mrs. Howard Williams

CARBON BOY TO COMPETE IN USAF ACADEMY EXAMS

Robin Ray Smith of Carbon is one of the nine youth nominated by Congressman Omar Burleson to compete with other appointees in the USAF Examinations.

Others appointed by Burleson who live in nearby towns are Mark Malone Sheffield of Okra, and John Milton Sharp of Stephenville.

JOY CLASS ENJOYS PARTY

The J.O.Y. S.S. Class of the First Baptist Church enjoyed a coke party on February 17 at 9 o'clock in the home of Mrs. Daisy Peveto those present were; Claudia Jay, Theda Beth Smith, Ruth Smith, Ruby Lee Mehaffey, Ramona Stacy, Dorothy Johnson, Johnny Baze, and Grace Townley.

KING THEATRE

Thursday and Friday
Robert Francis - Donna Reed

In
"THEY RODE WEST"

Also
"HOUSE OF KNOWLEDGE"

Saturday
Shamrock Ellison

Lucky Hayden

WEST OF THE BRAZOS

Also
Lloyd Bridges - Vera Miles

in
PRIDE OF THE BLUE GRASS

and
Color Cartoon

Sunday - Monday
Jane Powell - Edmund Purdon

in
ATHENA

Also
Color Cartoon

Tuesday and Wednesday
Robert Taylor - Ann Blyth

in
ALL THE BROTHERS WERE VALIANT

Also
Color Cartoon

Thursday and Friday
Barbara Stanwyck

Ronald Reagan

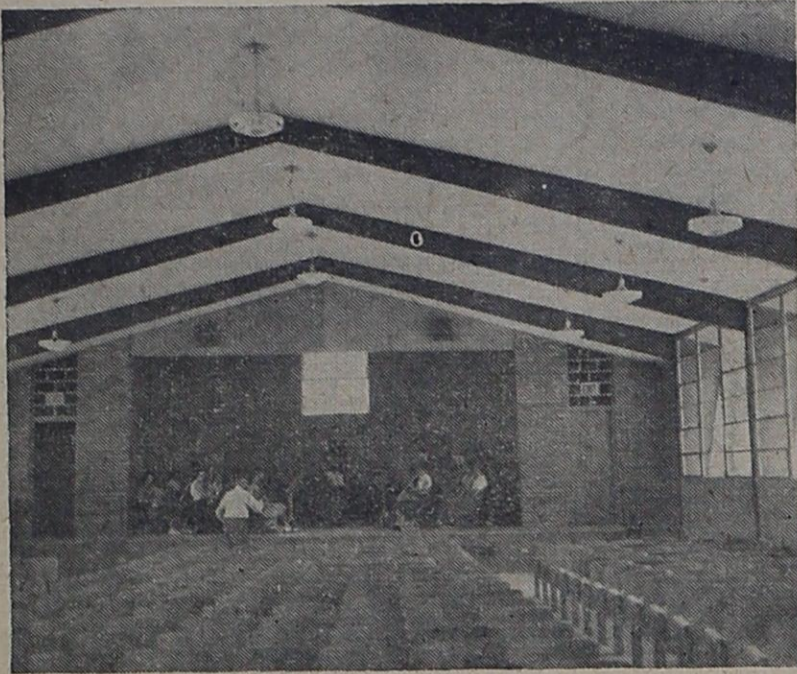
in
CATTLE QUEEN OF MONTANA

Also
Color Cartoon

Adv.

Public School Week March 7-12

We join the Community in Paying Tribute to our
Faculty, Students, and School Board of Gorman Independent School District



Our Public Schools are the basis of our democracy. In our schools children of any race, color, creed, or economic circumstances are free to learn of the heritage of our forefathers; to learn how to live and work together in our form of society; to learn the fundamentals of language, computation, and other mental tools necessary for our everyday life - - -

The schools deserve your attention and cooperation. The teachers need your help in the training of your children. The schools are trying to do their part in the training of our youth. But they cannot do the job alone. They need the help of the parents and all the citizens of our land.

Visit your schools so that you may see how your children are trained; so that you may see some of the problems involved and how you may help to solve some of these problems.

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FIRST GRADE

We want to thank Mrs. T. D. Joiner, Mrs. W. G. Kirk, Mrs. O. D. Kirk, and Mrs. J. E. Lawrence for our lovely Valentine party. Tony Hallmark is in school after spending several days in the hospital. Kay Lynn Barnett, Judy and Glenna Ervin are absent because of illness.

FOURTH GRADE

We have been making homes of many lands in English. Some of the pupils have made them of foil paper, mud and clay. Gene Grimshaw made a log cabin and it is a very good one.

We drew pictures of the poem "Change About" in our reading. The first picture drawn on the blackboard was by Ronnie Page and Junior Hampton. Sunny Rawson and Sara Grice drew the second one. James Wallace and Rodney Stephens are drawing the third one. They are all very nice and show some real talent.

In reading we studied about George Washington on his birthday. George Washington was the "first in war, first in peace, and first in the hearts of his country men."

We have a new student from De Leon. His name is Eddie Reynolds. We are glad to have him.

We are sorry Eddie Frasier and Shirley Rasco are absent because of illness.

FIFTH GRADE

In arithmetic we are taking up harder division. In art we are making boxes for planting vege-

tables and painting them red. In social studies we are studying about Newfoundland and Labrador.

We have a new pupil in our room, Nelda Reynolds from De Leon.

SEVENTH GRADE

In art we have almost finished with paper mache and are starting plaster paris.

In geography we are studying The Water Resources of Texas. Since basketball season is over we are practicing volleyball.

In science we are studying the effects of weather and climate.

EIGHTH GRADE

Friday night both the teams played in the De Leon tournament. The girls, having drawn a bye, lost to De Leon the first game and couldn't go any farther. The boys lost to De Leon the first game. The second game ended in a tie, and after playing for two extra minutes, it was still a tie. The first team to make a goal after that was the winner. Desdemona made the first goal, so the title went to them. Those games ended our basketball season. Now we are starting volleyball and baseball.

We had six-weeks tests last week. Nearly everyone made satisfactory grades. The "pains come sometime this week with our report cards."

In art we are painting pictures of birds and pasting colored feathers on them. It is a lot of fun and the birds are very pretty.

FRESHMAN NEWS

The Freshman class has finished their six-weeks tests. Some are not so satisfied with their grades.

This week in science we are learning how television works.

In English we are studying how a predicate and a subject of a sentence agree.

In math we made projects out of cardboard. We made rectangles, parallelograms, squares, rhombuses, and triangles for display in our classroom.

Five of our freshman boys came out for Junior High Track. They are: Bobby Standridge, Eddie Browning, Eddie Gregg, Jerry Warren, and Larry Grice.

The girls basketball game between Olden and Gorman was a little one sided, but they're still co-champions.

At this time we would like to recognize our freshmen girls on the High School basketball team. They are Ruth Rodgers, Sandra West, Linda Cloninger, Julia Beth Skaggs, and Annye Kate Blair. The class is very proud of them.

JUNIOR NEWS

Six-weeks tests are over. We're sure everyone made good on them. Our tests weren't hard if you studied for them and knew the answers to the questions. Anyway, things are settling back to normal again.

In Plane Geometry we are still studying unequals. There are quite a few theorems to learn about unequals. The problems are quite different from what we've been having. Each day we take up something different.

In Chemistry we are studying about sulfur. We are making several experiments with sulfur. The only thing wrong with an experiment with sulfur is the smell. If we continue the experiments the rest of high school will run us off. In one experiment when we mixed sulfur and zinc dust together and heated it there was a vigorous bright light. The light

was green, it was very pretty.

In American History we are studying "The Emergence of a New World Power" in the Twentieth Century. It tells how all of our possessions gained their freedom. It tells how we got our possessions and how we established governments there.

In English III we are working in our notebooks and text books too. We are studying about verbs agreeing with subjects.

Washington

"As It Looks From Here"



OMAR BURESON
Congressman
17th District

WASHINGTON, D. C. - For twenty-one of the last twenty-four year the Federal Government has spent more than it took in. No family, and no government can go on indefinitely spending more than it takes in without getting into serious trouble.

A careful study indicates that it may require a Constitutional Amendment to prevent the Federal Government from spending more than it takes in. Of course it would be dangerous not to provide for an exception for war would lie the great trouble, because the Government must prepare for war before one starts. In fact, it is the best guarantee that no war will occur. We have now reached the point that there will be no time to prepare as we had in World War 1 and 2.

Nevertheless, it seems the day is here when some limitation by definite law should restrict the Government's power to spend.

There is seemingly a continuing attitude on the part of all of us that the Federal Government has a bottomless barrel of money, and that as long as it comes from this source, it cost nothing. Apparently we do not remember that the Government only has that which it takes from the people in taxes.

There continue various schemes for spending. The proposed health insurance plan is a good example. According to testimony Administration's plan for the purchase of health insurance does not even purport to help those who cannot pay for insurance. They say it will do nothing to lower the cost of health insurance and no one can possibly estimate with any accuracy the cost of it. One thing for sure - it would place the Government in the business of further regimenting.

Another scheme is the Federal aid proposed for schools. This has a great appeal. We all know that over the nation there exist some deplorable conditions in many schools. There are areas where by reason of military or defense installations, the Federal Government surely has some responsibility, along with local governments, in providing school facilities. The law already permits the Federal Government to assist in these situations, but it is now proposed that the Federal Government really go into the school business.

Our enthusiasm for all these things should cool somewhat by reminding ourselves that the Supreme Court of the United States has ruled that the Government has a right to control anything to which it contributes. We will never have smaller Government in Washington, nor will the cost of it be reduced, until we all realize it is our own tax money which is being spent.

ATOMIC ENERGY - The Atomic Energy Commission reports that the nation's atomic energy program has cost 13.2 billion dollars since it began in World War 2.

It also reports that the heavy increase in the mining of uranium has reached the stage that ore is being mined faster than it can be processed.

General Nathan F. Twining, Air Force Chief of Staff, says that although many difficult engineering problems remain unsolved, he believes that the advance made to date gives us the basic knowledge from which we can build an atomic-powered intercontinental bombing fleet.

Secretary of the Air Force Harold E. Talbott says it is "imperative" for this country to beat Russia in the race to develop intercontinental guided missiles with hydrogen warheads. Russia took over the entire German V-2 rocket installations, including many scientists, at Peenemunde, Germany, in 1945.

It has been said that ulcers are caused more from what is eating us than from what we eat.

DELEGATES ELECTED TO TEXAS HD ASSOCIATION SPRING MEETING

Three delegates to the Texas Home Demonstration Association District 8 Spring meeting from Eastland County were elected on Wednesday afternoon at a meeting of the County HD Council held in the Texas Electric Conference Room in Eastland.

Delegates named were Mrs. Ernest Schaeffer, Word Club, Mrs. Jess Flippin, Pioneer Club and Mrs. John Love, Cheaney Club. Mrs. Will Ware, North Star Club, was named as alternate.

Mrs. Love was re-elected County THDA chairman to serve another year.

Mrs. Schaeffer, president, presided over the Council meeting. Twenty-three women were present, including four council officers, 17 members, two home demonstration agents and visitors.

Nine clubs were represented including Cheaney, Flatwood, Lake Cisco, North Star, Okra, Pioneer, Pleasant Hill, and Word clubs.

The Gorman Town and Country Club, a newly organized group, was welcomed as a new group member of the council. Mrs. Joe Collins attended.

Committee chairman gave the recommendations for the year's work, which was approved by the Council body.

Mrs. Bernard Campbell turned in her resignation as council reporter.

Miss Minnie Mae Billingsley, HD Agent, explained how the new farm and home development plan will be put into practice for five farm families in the county by July 5. Food, nutrition, farm management, and child care will be some phases which the County Extension group will be able to help these families carry out, she explained.

Mrs. Bill Tucker presented a saga and song of "John Henry," hero of the early American ballads.

Mrs. Schaeffer asked the cooperation of the rural women in the 1955 Red Cross drive and drive kits were distributed to each club president. Amount of each quota has not yet been announced.

Mrs. Schaeffer and Mrs. Tucker gave a resume of the planning meeting in Hamilton, which they attended.

Fact: The weight of a normal adult heart is approximately 8 ounces.



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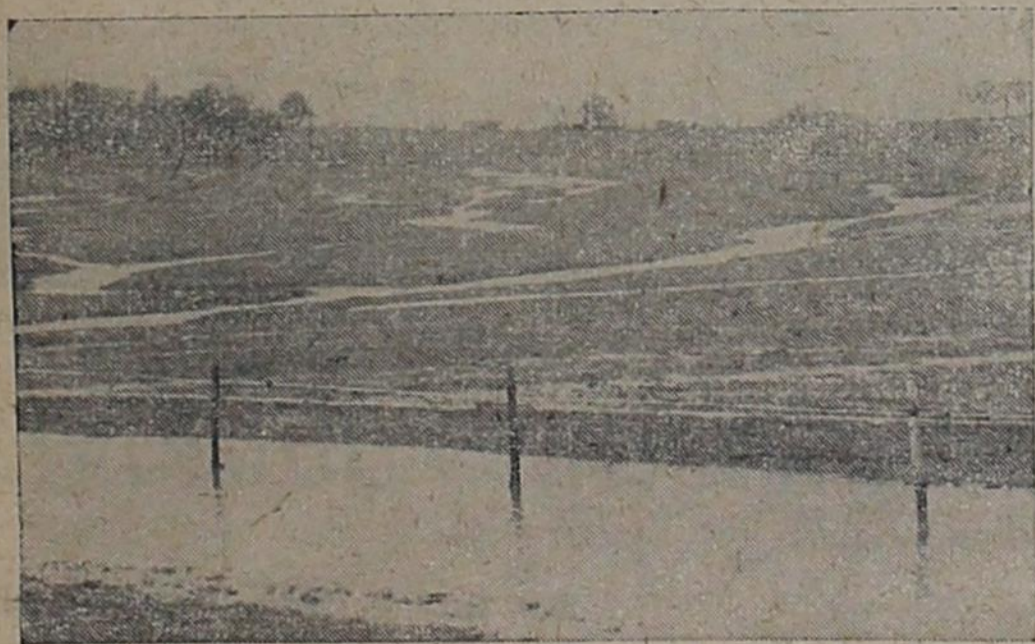


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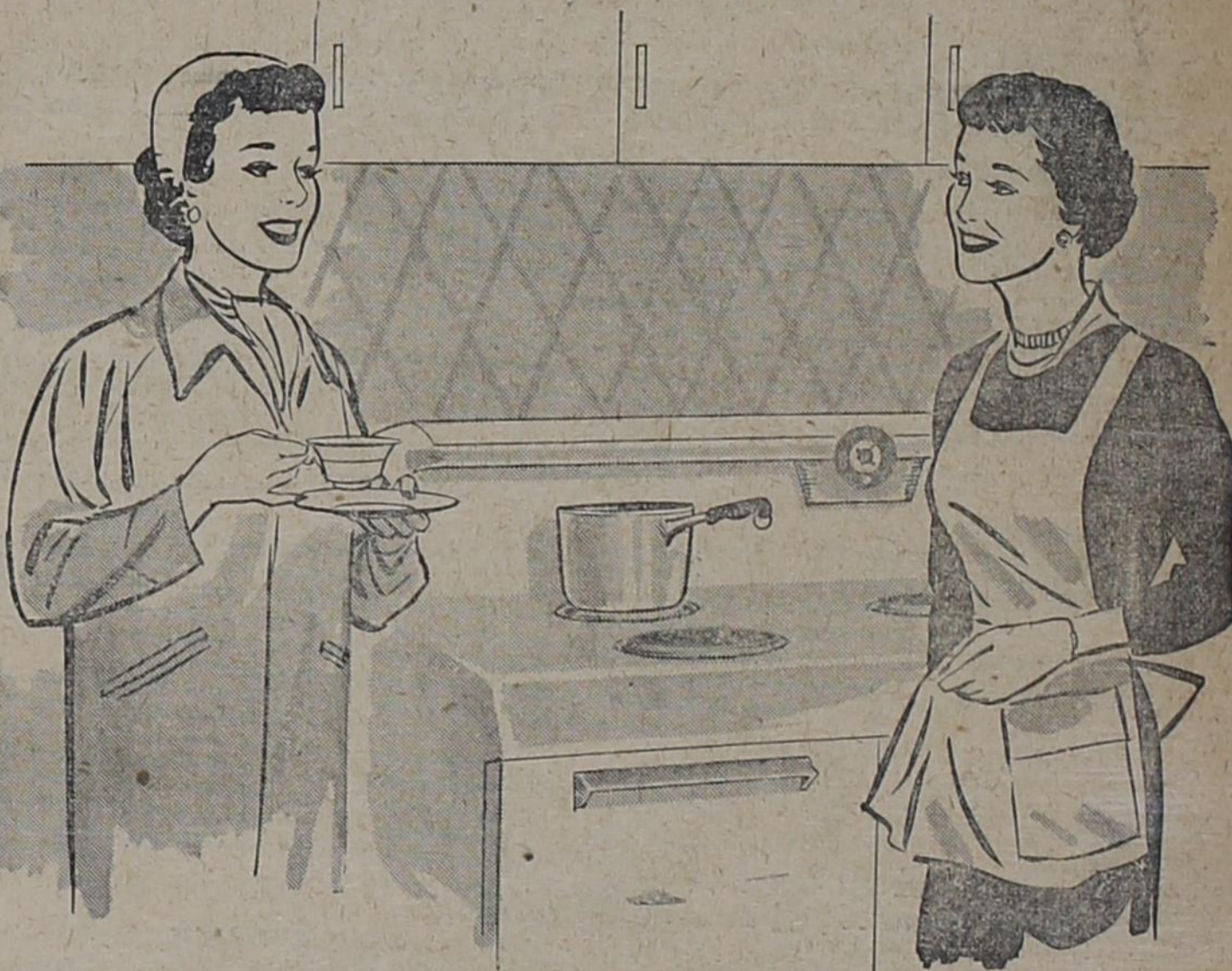


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A Safer Tomorrow

By GAYE WATSON

People of the world owe much to the men that started fire departments. In early years they were all voluntary, but later when population and fires increased, fighting fires had to be a full time job especially in the larger cities.

The first fire department was started in London in 1666. It was organized after two thirds of the city was destroyed by fire. After this fire insurance companies were started.

There were five companies in London at one time. The men from one company wouldn't put out a fire if the property was insured by a company other than the one they worked for, but later they organized into one company called "Water Men".

George Washington and Benjamin Franklin were volunteer firemen. George Washington bought the first fire engine ever used.

Today firemen have better means of fighting fire than they had in early days.

They have ladders reaching to a height of one hundred and twenty-five feet, blowers to aid in ventilation, fire trucks instead of an old wagon drawn by horses, and hoses to carry water instead of by carrying it in buckets.

In the state of Texas alone \$38,021,655 was lost in the year of 1953, and during 1948 six hundred and eighteen people were killed

as a result of fire. Television sets improperly insulated, improper wiring, Christmas lights, gasoline and kerosene stored too near fire, chimneys improperly kept up, and careless use of matches and cigarettes are some of the common causes of fires.

A pledge of Carefulness or Ten Commandments of Fire Prevention if obeyed are as follows:

1. I shall not let anyone in my family use gasoline for cleaning purposes.
2. I shall not burn trash on a windy day or too near any building.
3. I shall see that all electric appliances and extension cords in my house are kept in safe condition.
4. I shall not let oily rags and paper collect in and around my home.
5. I shall see that all matches are kept out of reach of smaller brothers and sisters.
6. I shall see that no one smokes in bed.
7. I shall not let curtains or drapes hang too close to the fire.
8. I shall locate the second exit in any building I enter.
9. I shall impress on my friends the danger of turning in false alarms.
10. I shall promote the necessity of Fire Prevention when and wherever I possibly can.

If everyone would keep the rules of Fire Prevention in mind and obey them we will truly have a safer tomorrow.

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DUSTER ROCK BLUFF NEWS

Reporter, Mrs. Lorene Johnson

Due to cold weather all churches had only fair attendance. You are invited at the Duster Baptist Church Sunday the 27th to hear Brother C. B. Mears speak. I am sure you will enjoy his spiritual message.

Sorry to report Mr. L.L. Duke is ill. We are hoping for him a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Jackson are the proud parents of a baby daughter. Mrs. Jackson was formerly Nelda Ruth Coan. Her mother, Mrs. Rye Coan, is spending a week with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Fulton Smith attended the funeral of a brother-in-law, Mr. J. W. Fowler at Hardin, Texas. Mrs. Fowler will be remembered as the former Miss Rema Ezzell.

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Pounds attended the funeral of Mrs. Lau

ra Watson in Dublin Sunday. Our sympathy goes to the loved ones of this family.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Boswell and children of College Station visited her parents Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Pounds and also attended the funeral of their Grand Mother Mrs. Watson.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Graham accompanied Mr. and Mrs. De Witt Graham of Stephenville to Snyder Sunday and visited Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Harris.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Solomon and baby of Dallas visited Sunday with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Jack Solomon.

Mr. Tom Coan from Andrews visited home folks over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Morton from Fort Worth visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Cadenhead and Mr. and Mrs. Seal Smith Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Scott visited Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Jack-

GENE BAKERS HONOR GRANDDAUGHTER

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Baker honored their granddaughter, Carol Kay Hart, on the occasion of her 8th birthday with a theatre party at the King Saturday afternoon.

Guests were children of the second grade and several other friends of the honoree.

After the show they enjoyed ice cream and bubble gum favors. Carol Kay received many nice gifts.

Pat Morrison Makes Journalism Tour

Pat Morrison was among the ten Tarleton students of journalism making a tour of the Fort Worth Star Telegram newspaper and radio and television station WBAP in Fort Worth.

ADVERTISING MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

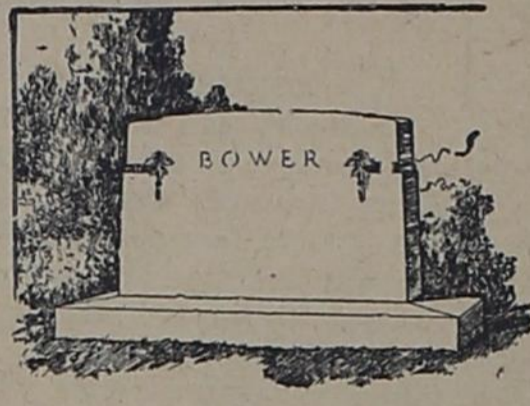
AUSTIN, Tex. - Feb. 17 - A \$2,000 loan fund for advertising students has been established at the University of Texas, honoring the memory of the late C. C. Johnson, well known Southwest advertising man.

The Advertising Club of Fort Worth, which Johnson served as president, established the fund. It will provide one \$225 loan each semester for a student majoring in advertising, either in School of Journalism or College of Business Administration.

son and their new baby in Gorman Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lendell Coan from Smithville spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Dean

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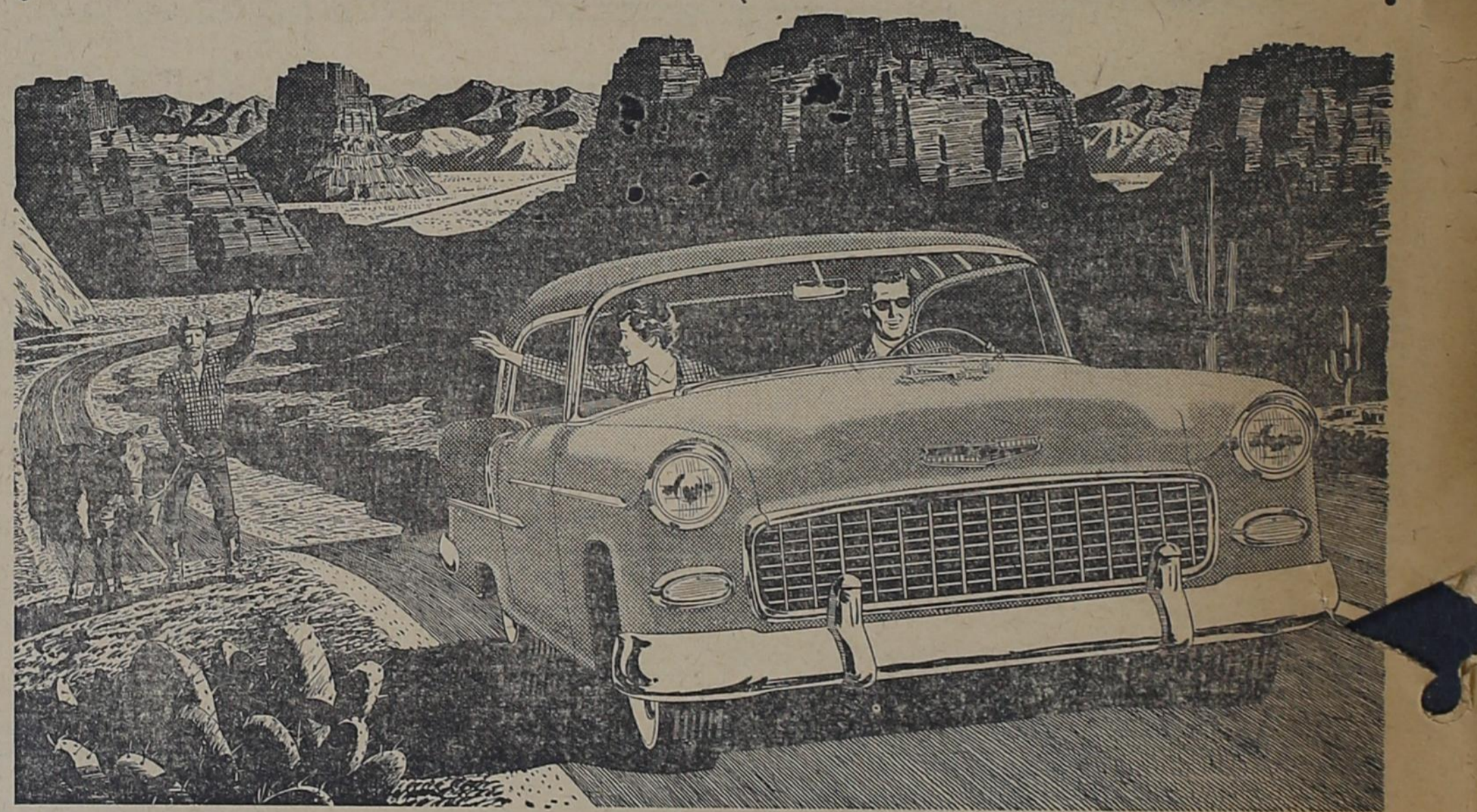
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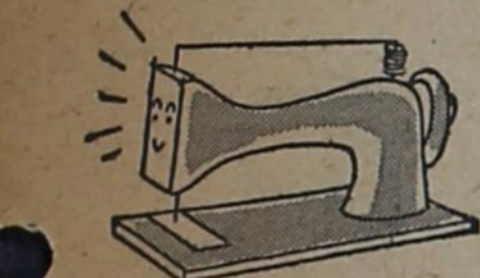
Homer Underwood Attends Motor Training School

Homer Underwood has attended the General Motors Training Center at Garland, Texas to learn advanced automotive service techniques which he will use in his work at Smith Bros. Chevrolet Company in Gorman.

Mr. Underwood spent 2 weeks at the Garland school, one of a nationwide network of training centers being set up by General Motors to keep employees of its car and truck dealerships abreast of new mechanical developments and service techniques.

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Mr. W. C. Smith, head of the company, said he sent Mr. Underwood to the Garland center to give his customers benefit of improved service techniques taught there.

The Garland training center, with more than 26,000 square feet of floor space, has 8 specialized shop classrooms, for use by the Chevrolet, Pontiac, Oldsmobile, Buick, Cadillac, GMC Truck and Coach, Fisher Body and United Motors Service divisions of GM. Each division supplies a highly trained instructor for its courses at the center, which is managed by L. S. Kuehn.

GM officials expect a total of 5,000 mechanics to attend the center each year. Similar attendance is expected at other training centers when they are completed.

Harlow H. Curtice, president of General Motors, explained that the purpose of the centers is "to insure that the people who buy our cars and trucks will continue to receive efficient and satisfying service." He said that "the centers will make it possible for dealer service personnel to keep up to date on a systematic basis with improved service methods and technological advances such as air conditioning, power steering, power brakes and other major improvements."

respected citizen or the lowly bum becomes a murder.

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FORMER RESIDENT DIES IN AUSTIN

Mr. J. C. Brewer, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Brewer, and formerly of Gorman passed away about two weeks ago at Austin, Texas.

Many Gorman folks will remember that J. C. was reared here and that his mother taught a kindergarten for a number of years.

J. C. had been ill of sclerosis of the liver for about three years.

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Desdemona News

Reporter, Mrs. Ethel Keith

Mrs. H. H. Williams is resting at home after spending several days last week in the Gorman hospital.

Mrs. J. J. Sparkman is expected to return home soon after several days as a patient in the Gorman hospital.

Quite a number of children in this community have been having the chicken pox.

Mrs. Ida Wilhite and Mrs. H. M. Rouse left Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Efferon Baughtman for Fayetteville, Ark. to visit with their children. Mrs. Wilhite will visit Mr. and Mrs. Hub McDonald and Mrs. Rouse will visit the Henry Shorts family.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Walker and children of Odessa spent the week here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Abel.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Keith of Monahans and Mr. Matt Wilcoxson of Odessa spent the week end here with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray E. Garrett of Midland spent the week end here with the John Arnolds and left Monday on a business trip to Dallas.

Sunday dinner guests from Seminole in the John Arnold home were his sister, Mrs. N. S. Woods, and Mr. Woods.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Wittie of Kermit visited recently with his mother, Mrs. Lillie Wittie.

Mrs. Chas Genoway has been on the sick list.

Uncle Tom Northcutt is reported as not doing too well. He has been bedfast for three years.

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Oliver Springs NEWS

Attendance fell short Sunday due to so much sickness in our communities. We hope they will all be back with us next Sunday.

The Tom Linsons of Hamilton visited her parents, the O. C. Reids, Sunday.

Donald Setzler of Monahans visited with his parents the C. C. Setzlers, this week.

Mrs. Willie Henderson spent Tuesday with Mrs. Henry Reed in De Leon.

Mrs. Eva Jolly, Mrs. Bell Parks and Mrs. Willie Henderson spent Thursday with Mrs. Oscar Reid.

Raymond, son of the Melvin Daniels', underwent surgery at the De Leon hospital Friday. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Clyde Setzler is sick and

Mrs. R. H. Abel visited one day last week in Ranger with Mrs. Buck Reed.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Harper of Belton were here this week end to visit her mother, Mrs. Chas Genoway and family.

Mrs. Durwood Ragland and children and Mr. Bobbie Jack Ragland were here this week end to visit the Clarence Raglands.

Town And Country Club Make Plans For Frame Gardens

Members of the Town and Country Home Demonstration Club were recently inspired to plan for spring gardening.

County Home Demonstration Agent Minnie Mae Billingsley speaking to the group during a recent meeting explained the value of planned sub-irrigation in cold frame gardening.

The set-up calls for a frame built in form of a bin, the front side being lower and the interior filled with soil to convenient depth for reaching. The frame will also have a cover.

The style of the bin and the use of the cover which is used as needed will protect from intense heat thus preventing evaporation, also provide protection from damaging winds and cold.

Miss Billingsley suggested that the frames be equipped with an under earth channel made of bot tomless tin cans or tile placed end to end into which water may be run.

She assured the women that gardens properly constructed and tended would produce fresh vegetables the year round for their tables.

A number of the women are planning to plant strawberries.

The club membership is open to all women interested in Home Demonstration work.

Mrs. Edward Harrison is president.

CLAITOR FAMILY VISIT PARENTS

A number of relatives visited the John Claitors the past week end. They were Clarence Jamison of Shreveport, La., James Jamison and family of Seguin, Texas, Bill Jamison and daughter, Betty of Sweetwater, Texas. The Jamison boys are brothers of Mrs. Claitor. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Mitchell and family and an aunt, Mrs. Ardell Barnhill, all of San Angelo, Texas, Mrs. Mitchell is sister to Mrs. Claitor. All Jamison children except two brothers, Tillman and Herman, spent an enjoyable time together.

was unable to attend church Sunday. We missed her. Hope she will soon be back with us.

The Harvey O'Neals of Breckenridge visited her father, the D. L. Bonds, Sunday.

Mrs. Zephia Kannady and children, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Johnson visited Mrs. Homer Richardson Tuesday night.

The Bruce Hirst family visited his parents, the B. A. Hirsts, Sunday.

Noticed the Rex Kinsers had guest Sunday as we were coming home from church.

The Buster Parker family were visiting the Roy Parkers this week end. They were on their way to Texas City where they are being transferred.

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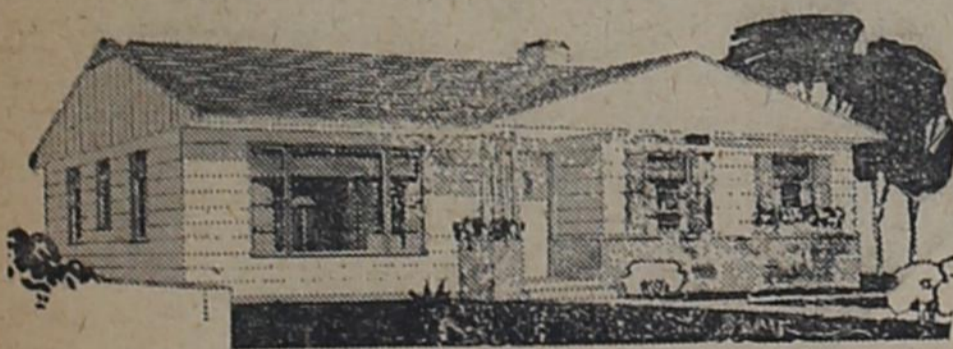


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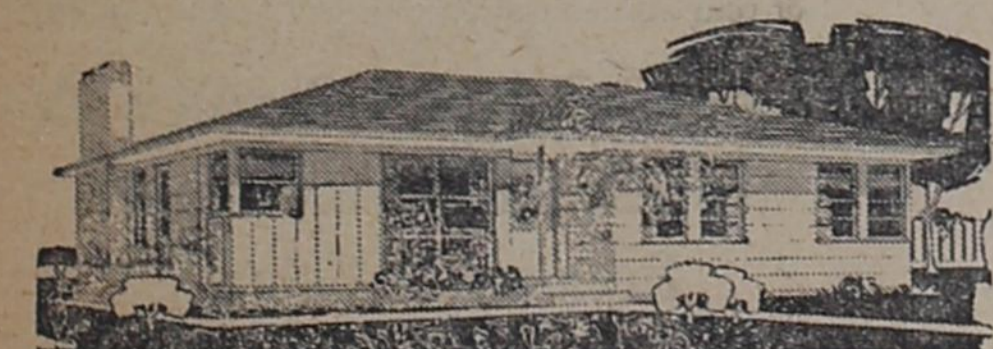
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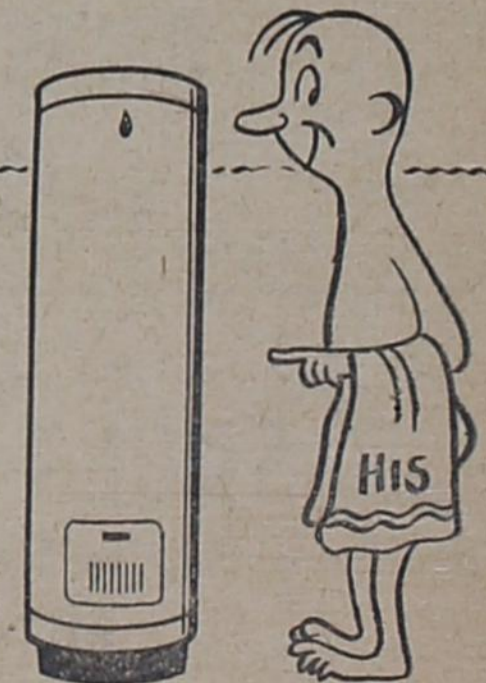


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WHICH DO WE WANT?
(Continued from Page 1)

for education but is it wise?
To read this editorial, if some of you have, is not enough. Read the daily newspapers, listen to commentators, form your own opinion and write Congressman Omar Burlseon, Senator Price Daniel or Senator Lyndon Johnson.

Readers will note in Burlseon's "As It Looks From Here" that the debatable "Health Insurance" proposal is also before Congressional Committee.

L. F.

METHODIST REVERT TO ASSEMBLY SUCCESS

The Methodist Sunday School's revert to assembly preceding the lesson hour was pronounced a success.

Young people of the church had charge of the ten-minute devotional period with Minnie Lee Brightwell, Jerry Bolt, and their leaders participating.

The Friendly Ladies Class have charge of next Sunday's assembly

W. M. S. Cirble II

Meet Monday

The Woman's Missionary Society Circle Two of the First Baptist Church met Monday afternoon.

Officers were elected as follows:

Circle Chairman is Mrs. Ray Rankin, Secretary-Treasurer is Mrs. Buck Foster, Chairman of Community Missions, Mrs. Ben R. Townley, Mission Board Chairman, Mrs. Norman Parks, Stewardship Chairman, Mrs. D. R. Clark, Social Chairman, Mrs. A. L. Underwood, Bible Study Chairman, Mrs. Glen Mehaffey, Program Chairman, Mrs. A. D. Eakers, and Reporter, Mrs. Carter Hart.

Mrs. G. D. Riley of Circle One brought the devotional.

Following the program and business, coffee and cookies were

Young Peoples Group Organized At First Baptist Church

A group of young people met Sunday, February 20th and organized a young peoples training union class.

Officers were elected for the first quarter. They are: president, Gaye Watson, vice-president, Gene Crossan, Bible Drill Leader, Linda Lee Speck, and Group Captain, La Joyce Hamilton.

A visitation program was planned for Thursday, February 24 to encourage more young people to attend. The group would like to invite any young person without a church home to attend each Sunday evening at 6:30 p. m. They would also like to invite anyone who can to come and meet with them at 7:00 p. m. Thursday (today) for a visitation period and refreshments.

A lot of fun as well as a good program is guaranteed, so everyone come out and help to get the group off to a god start.

HAROLD MEHAFFEY WRITES OF TOUR IN EUROPE

Major Harold Mehaffey writes his parents that he has been fortunate enough to enjoy the privilege of visiting every country in Europe which lay outside the iron curtain.

Harold's last letter inclosed an invitation which he had received from the United States Ambassador to Yugoslavia inviting him to attend a State dinner, which he had accepted. This visit of course gave him an inkling of some things that go on behind the iron curtain.

served during the social hour.

Young mothers of the church are invited to become members. The meeting is at 4 p. m. and the nursery will be open.

Keeping Up With Our Friends - -

Mrs. W. H. Whitley has gone to the Panhandle to live with one of her daughters. She would like to hear from friends in Gorman. Her address is Box 45, Summerfield, Texas.

Gene and Ann Mehaffey of Guymon, Oklahoma and their son, Mike, spent the week end of February 10th with his parents, the Z. O. Mehaffey. Lt. and Mrs. Wilbur Mehaffey and Susan of Hickman Mills, Missouri were at home for the week February 13-20.

Betty Ruth Mehaffey of Mexia came in on Thursday to be with the family and returned to school Sunday, February 20th.

Mr. and Mrs. Z. O. Mehaffey visited in Baird Sunday afternoon with her sister, Miss Betty Mobley.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bennett Sunday were her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Rhyne of Carbon.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bennett are remodeling their home. They will add two rooms.

Mrs. Billy Charles Underwood of Gruver and their children, Terry and Kay, have returned to their home after spending two weeks with Mrs. Charles Underwood while the latter recuperated from surgery.

Brawner Lee Files visited here during the week end. He has returned to his work at Odessa.

Robert Rankin is employed at Post, Texas. He was also home for the week end.

Milton Fairbetter and his brother, Raymond Fairbetter of Boyd, were in Corpus Christi and Port Aransas fishing this week.

FRANK KIRK TRAINS WITH CIVIL AA

Frank Kirk has been training for flying with the Civil Aeronautics Association with station in Abilene.

Rough weather prevented his first solo Saturday but he expects to make it this coming Saturday if the weather doesn't again interfere. He has practically eight

Cheaney News
Mrs. Bill Tucker, Reporter

Cheaney folk were all excited Sunday morning, as they discussed the strange rumble, like thunder, although the sky was clear, and then the several unusually bright flashes of blue-white light which occurred about 8:30 Saturday night. Mrs. Maud Dean described what she saw, following what sounded like thunder, was a flash of brilliant light and then another explosion of light with smaller fragments of light flying off into space. This was followed by another burst of extremely bright light as the rumble died away.

Mrs. Ruby Blackwell went into the yard when she heard the noise, but saw a clear sky and wondered. Mrs. Ben Freeman saw what appeared to be a flash of lightning, but kept listening to a radio program. The John Tuckers also saw the flashes and wondered if a cloud was coming up. Friend, husband and I were wondering at the static on the radio at about the same time the rumble came to our ears. The Charlie Millers near Alameda also saw the flashes.

Some said atomic fragments - some said the Martians are on their way - and others didn't get out to see what was happening. Certainly it was not a bad dream, fantastic as it seems, and your guess is as good as mine as to the solution of the Saturday night phenomenon.

Mrs. Richard Tucker is serving as a juror on Monday's court session, also Jack Rogers, from this community.

Mrs. John Love is visiting her mother, Mrs. Agnes Rose, in Odessa this week.

hours of flying time.

Kirk said that he began his training in view of both business and pleasure. In traveling to the ranches in Oklahoma and Texas owned by himself and Frank Kirk, Sr. A great deal of time can be saved and the flights may be of even greater benefit in case of emergency. He plans to purchase a plane.

The Ben Freemans were in Giddings Monday and Tuesday attending a meeting of the Texas Pecan Growers Association. Mr. Freeman is one of the board of directors.

The Boyd Widows of Abilene were visitors in the Oliver Galoway home Sunday.

Mrs. Joe Butler was ill and unable to attend church services on Sunday.

Ernest Dean of Odessa visited the Hatley Deans on Friday. Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Rogers

LOCAL VETERAN ENTERS STSTC

SAN MARCOS, Feb. 24 - Bobby G. Self of Gorman is among the 380 new students enrolled for the spring semester at Southwest Texas State Teachers College.

Total enrollment at the College has reached 1770, the second high

and family visited the Melva Loves at Stephenville Sunday.

The Ben Howards of Ranger made short calls in the John Tucker and Charlie Miller homes on Saturday.

est figure for spring semester enrollment in the school's history.

Highest enrollment was in 1950 when World War II veterans swelled the total to 2092. Third high was in 1951 when 1746 students attended the college.

A survey of this semester's enrollment shows that the men again outnumber the women on the campus as they did last term. The ratio is 1023 men to 747 women.

Self is the son of Mr. T. E. Self of Route 2, Gorman.



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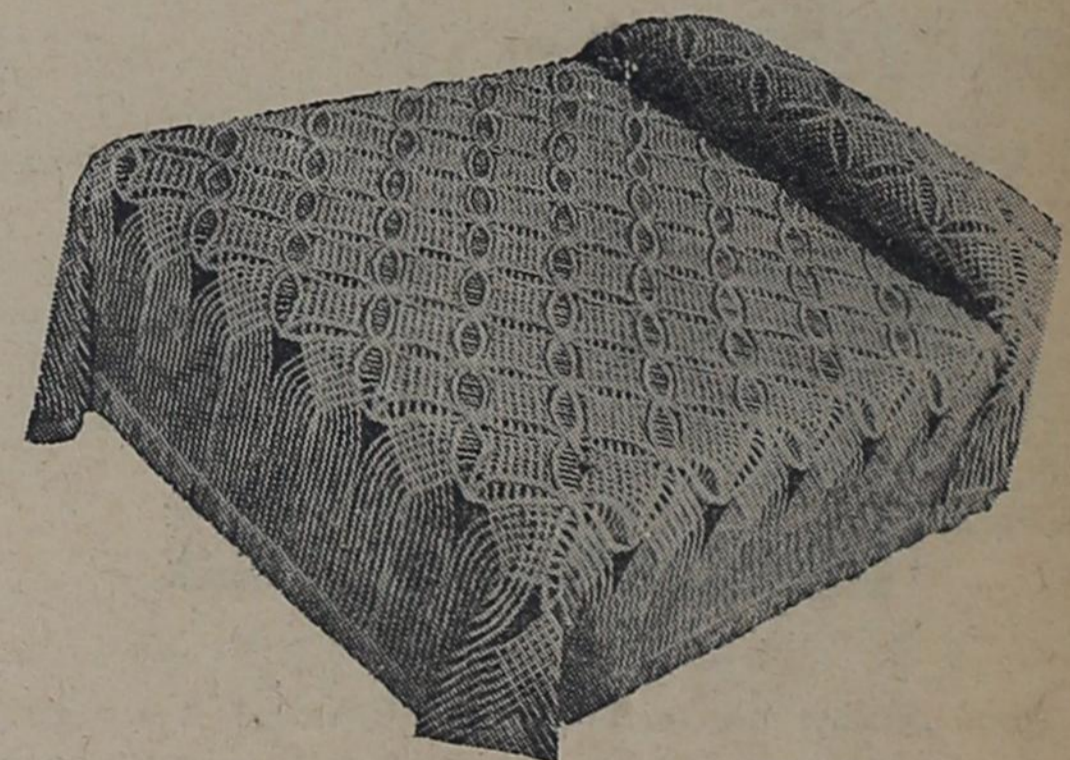
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