

Duster News

Mrs. Lorene Johnson, Reporter

When we have trying situations to meet or when conditions arise that disturb our emotions

to the extent that we become impatient, irritable or unhappy, let us affirm and center our thoughts in Christ for His presence is always near. Then we will find a calmness, a quietness, and a sense of abiding peace and security.

A Ready Answer (1 Pet. 3:15)

IS THE LAW OF MOSES STILL BINDING TODAY?

Answer: Paul plainly says, "The law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith. But that after faith is come we are no longer under the schoolmaster." (the Law). Gal. 3:24-25. He also said "whosoever of you are justified by the law, ye are fallen from grace. Gal. 5:4. Much of Paul's writing was to show that the first covenant was taken away that the new covenant, a better covenant, might be established. Heb. 8:6-7; 10:9-10. It is much like Texas, which is as a republic was under one constitution, but now as a state, is under another constitution. The authority today is according to the present constitution. Likewise we cannot appeal to the Old Testament for present day authority, but rather to the New Testament.

We invite you to worship with us Sunday.

THE CHURCH OF CHRIST, Gorman, Texas
Listen, 9:00 A. M. Sunday to Station KERC, Eastland, 1590

Oliver Springs NEWS

Mrs. Florence Richardson

Our attendance fell short Sunday. There is so much sickness in our community. We said good

Church of Christ, Bethel Baptist and Duster Baptist, all had good attendance Sunday. You owe it to yourself and honor to our blessed Lord to put forth an effort to attend the church of your choice every Sabbath.

We are sorry to report Mr. Audie Whitehurst is ill in the De Leon hospital. We hope for him a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleburn Dawkins spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Lee Key at Comyn.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Abb Coan over the week end were Mr. and Mrs. Tom Coan, one, Pansy and Polly Coan and friend Mr. Rand Gibbs, all of Ft Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Speedy Clark and children of Gorman and Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Huddleston of De Leon visited Mr. and Mrs. George Scott.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Lehman visited their son, Mr. and Mrs. George Stone at Crane.

Miss Doris Jean Hall of Kemp visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Hall and Glenda, over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Rye Coan visited Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Jackson and children at Gorman Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Smith visited Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Carbon at Brownwood Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Johnson visited Mr. and Mrs. Jim Norton in Comanche Monday night.

Visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Pounds Sunday were her mother, Mrs. Beulah Warren, and Mr. and Mrs. Son Warren and children of De Leon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Turner and children of Orange and Mr. and Mrs. Lehman of Eastland visited Mr. and Mrs. Norman Lehman.

Recent visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Johnson were Mr. and Mrs. Jim Koonce of Robinson Springs, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hanifan and children of Stamford, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Cozby and La Vena Lightfoot of Comanche, and Mr. and Mrs. Chock Broom of Gorman.

Mr. and Mrs. Lendell Coan and son of Smithville visited Mr. and Mrs. Dean Pounds.

bye to our pastor and wife Sunday night. We sure did hate to see them go. He has finished his schooling in Ft Worth and would like to get a field to work in closer to his home, State Florida. Bro. Harris made friends with everyone and was so sincere and had a wonderful personality. We wish them the best and wish for them all the happiness in the world wherever they go.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Reid visited the Hendersons Tuesday afternoon but found that they had gone back to Ft Worth for another check up with his doctor.

Sorry to report that Mrs. Robert Barnes had major surgery on Friday at the Blackwell Hospital. We hope she will soon be back at home.

Rev. and Mrs. Buel Bryan, Mrs. R. H. Watson, and this writer visited in Crane with their sister from Monday through Wednesday. We happened to get some of West Texas' cold, cold weather.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Johnson visited the Jim Johnsons Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Reid visited the D. L. Bonds Sunday afternoon and attended singing.

Mrs. R. H. Watson and sons and Woodrow Browning visited in Waco Sunday with Mr. R. H. Watson.

Little Miss Margaret Ann Porter visited Barbara Kinser Sunday.

Mrs. Tommie Seay has been visiting relatives in Odessa.

Mrs. Rex Kinser attended the wedding shower for MrM and Mrs Billy Joe Dennis at the Midway Church Saturday night.

Would like to say a few words about our singing Sunday afternoon. Had a good singing, visiting singers from Rising Star, De Leon, Cisco, and Eastland. We are proud of our singing even though a lot of people in and around Gorman don't know about it. We were happy to see Bro. Willie Skaggs there able to sing again. Where is a better place that you could spend your Sunday afternoons than in a gospel singing?

Thanks to Rev. Marion Dennis for opening the doors of the Congregational Methodist Church to the public in order that we may have a place around Gorman to have our monthly Sunday afternoon singings. Lets keep this singing going and by doing so, your presence will help more than you will ever know. The public is invited. Come one time and you will want to come back again. Come, meet friends and make new friends, and sing with us.

Progressives Enjoy Luncheon Thursday

Mrs. George L. Smith was host for the Progressive Study Club on Thursday, January 17 at Emerson's dining room. A delicious chicken plate was served to those present.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Dorothy Jobe. A short business session

followed. Members present were Mesdames Dorothy Jobe, Nancy Hendricks, Claudia Jay, Daisy Peve-to, Jolene Eison, Hattie Todd, Jessie Lee Eison, Euna Porter, the hostess, Theda Smith, and two visitors, Verlan Stacy and Imolene Parks.

The next meeting will be on Thursday, January 31 at Claudia Jay's.

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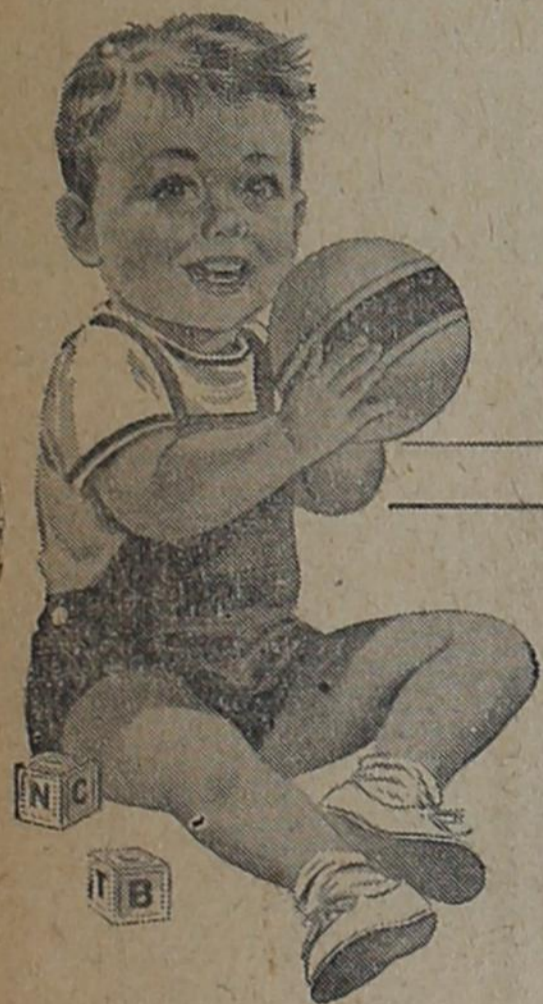
This little girl is one of tens of thousands who need your March of Dimes help today — who will need care for a long time. Long, because care doesn't stop until all possible recovery is achieved — no matter how long; no matter how costly.

Let's Finish the Job!

Join THE MARCH OF DIMES IN JANUARY

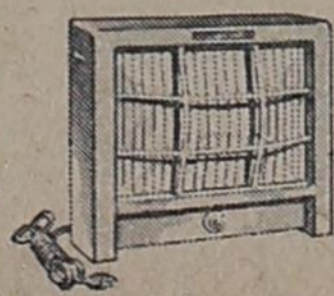
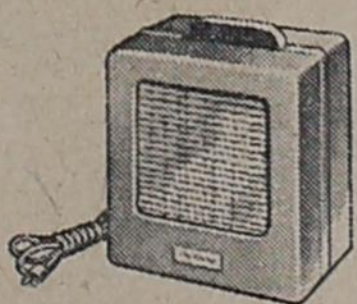
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Today, there is less polio, but: Tens of thousands born too soon for the vaccine still need your help.

Let's Finish the Job!

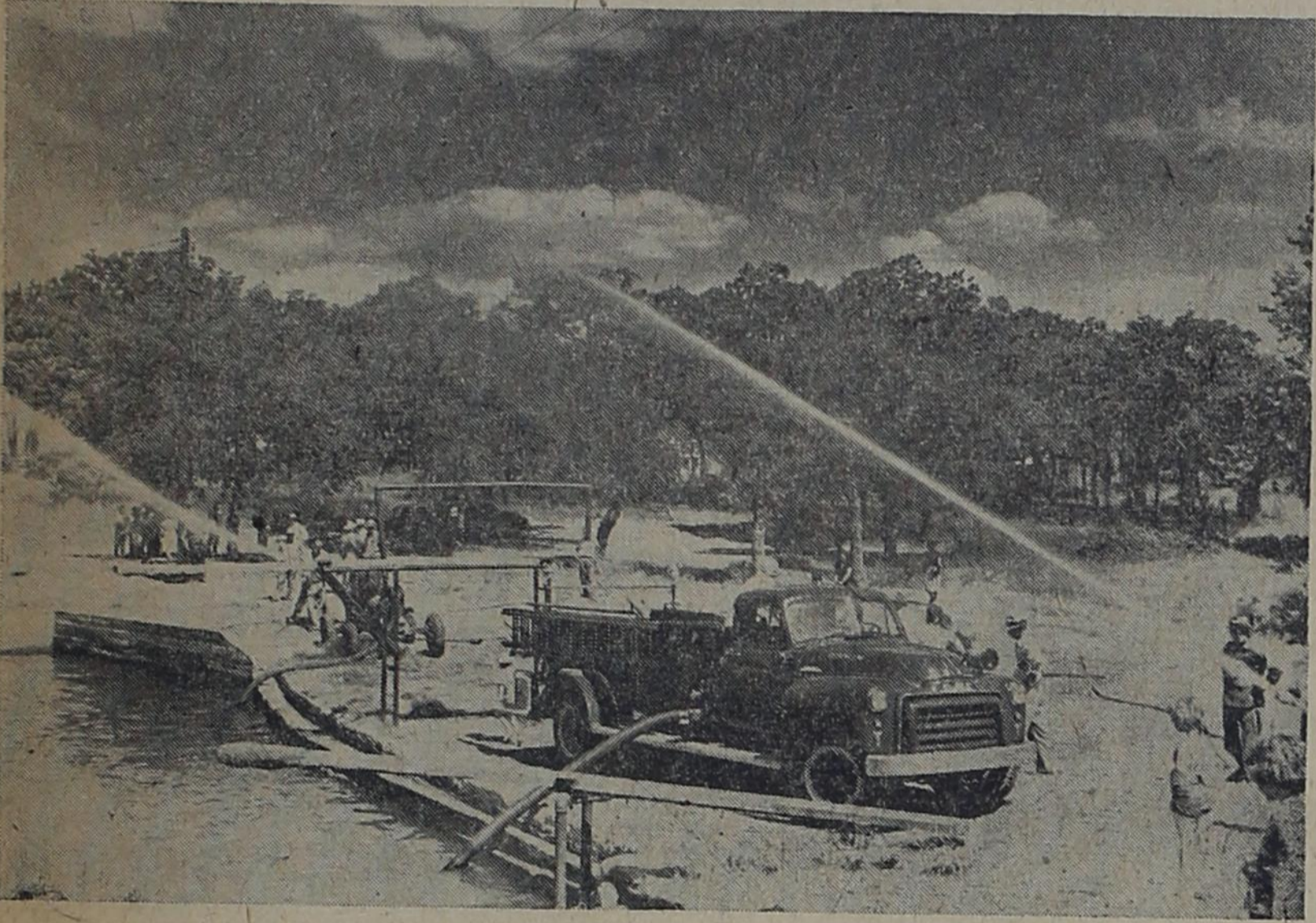
P. S. — He'll make it. His name's Mark Fight.

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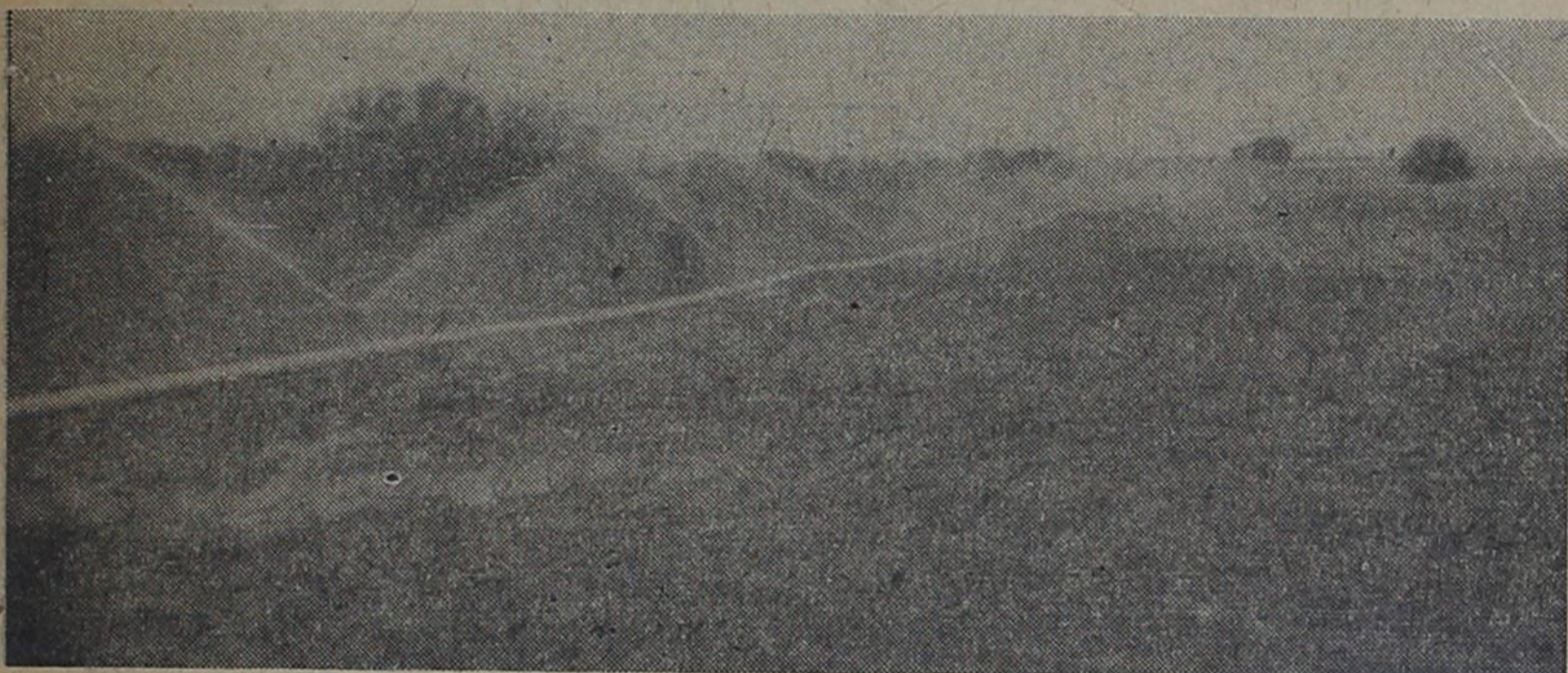
JIM UNDERWOOD
GROCERY and MARKET



In the kitchen of their modern five room Home Economic Cottage these Homemaking II girls try out the Southwestern Peanut Growers Association recipe for peanut brittle. The peanuts were furnished by Wilbur Shell of Gorman Peanut Company. (This recipe is enclosed in the bags of peanut brittle being sold by Mrs. Eugene Baker at Gorman's Peanut Booth. In the picture are: (L to R.) Betty Jo Belyeu, Aletha Garrett, Kay Lynn Ramsey, Marie Birdwell, Mrs. James E. Cooper, teacher, Charlotte Hilley, and Mary Kay Cloninger.



Gorman Volunteer Firemen trying out a new Fire Truck. Gorman is fortunate in having one of the finest Volunteer Fire Departments in the State. Through their efforts the above truck was purchased by the City. They have also helped in getting Gorman's fire insurance rate lowered. This picture was taken at Frank A. Gray Memorial Park.



Boyd Hilley, stockman and poultry raiser of Gorman is one of the first to try irrigating. He is fortunate in having springs on his property which fill his tanks for this purpose. This system was installed by Thompson Hardware.

Quincy Fuller, another successful farmer, near Gorman drilled wells on his place and has been irrigating about 20 acres during the drought.



Barton Eppler feeding some of his fine cattle on farm north of Gorman. Barton's land also has numerous springs on his land. While he has not irrigated any as yet he is giving it serious consideration. Barton also runs a large number of sheep and goats which have been profitable.

PEANUT TREATS

For All Occasions

PEANUT CHEESE SALAD

1 cup cottage cheese
1/2 cup salted peanuts,
coarsely chopped
1 teaspoon minced onion
Salt
Pepper
Mayonnaise

Thoroughly mix ingredients. Add enough mayonnaise to moisten. Shape into balls and serve on lettuce leaf or use to stuff tomatoes. May also be used as a sandwich filling or cracker spread.

LEMON NUT REFRIGERATOR COOKIES

1 cup shortening
1/2 cup brown sugar,
firmly packed
1/2 cup granulated sugar
1 egg
2 tablespoons lemon juice
1 tablespoon lemon rind
2 cups sifted flour
1/4 teaspoon soda
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup finely chopped peanuts

Cream shortening and sugar; beat in other ingredients; form roll about 2 inches in diameter in waxed paper; chill; cut in 1/4 inch slices and bake in preheated oven 400 degrees F. 10 to 12 minutes.

SPICED CANDIED PEANUTS

2 cups granulated sugar
1/8 teaspoon cream of tartar
2/3 cup water
Dash of salt
3-inch stick of cinnamon
3 cups peanuts

Combine sugar, cream of tartar, water, salt and cinnamon in large heavy kettle. Cook, stirring only until sugar is dissolved and mixture comes to a boil. Reduce heat and simmer until mixture reaches 310 degrees F. on candy thermometer or makes a clear, brittle thread when tested in cold water. Turn heat so low that mixture does not boil and quickly dip nuts with fork into mixture to coat. Place dipped nuts on greased cookie sheet to harden.

PEANUT CHEESE LOAF

2-3 cup cooked oatmeal, wheat cereal or rice
1-4 cup chopped golden pepper
3 tbsp. minced onion
1 tsp. salt
1 egg
2 tsp. lemon juice
1 cup chopped salted peanuts
2-3 cup fine crumbs
1-4 lb. cheese (grated) about 1 cup
1-3 cup milk

Combine all ingredients. Put mixture in greased loaf pan and bake at 350 degrees Fahrenheit (moderate oven) for 1 hour. Serve hot with mushroom or tomato sauce. Serves 4.

TOASTED PEANUTS

Put a small amount of oil into shallow pan, pour in the peanuts and stir them until they are well coated. There should not be any excess oil in pan, just enough to give an oily surface to each nut. Set the pan in oven and stir often until they become light brown. Drain them on paper toweling, spread on platter sprinkle with salt.

PEANUT BRITTLE

3 cups white sugar
1 cup white Karo
1-2 cup water
3 cups raw SW Spanish Peanuts
3 tsp. butter 1 tsp. salt
2 tsp. soda

Boil sugar, Karo and water until thread spins. Add peanuts and stir continuously after peanuts are added. Cook until it turns a brownish gold. Take from fire, add butter, salt, and soda. Pour onto buttered board to cool.

PEANUT BUTTER SANDWICH MIX

1-4 cup deviled ham, 1-4 cup peanut butter, 1-4 cup chopped sweet pickle, 2 tablespoons mayonnaise, butter.

1/2 cup peanut butter blended with 1/2 cup chili sauce, whole wheat bread.

1/2 cup chopped celery, 1-4 cup diced canned pimento, 1/2 cup peanut butter, bread, butter or margarine.

If your grocer does not have SW Spanish Peanuts. - order a \$2.25 box (no COD's) postage paid. GORMAN PEANUT COMPANY Box 698 Gorman, Texas

APPLE PEANUT CAKE SQUARES

1 1/2 cup sliced apples
3/4 cup cane syrup or molasses
1/3 cup shortening
1/2 cup hot water
2 1/2 cups sifted flour
1/4 tablespoon salt
1/2 cup sugar
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1/2 teaspoon cloves
1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
1 1/2 teaspoons soda
1/2 cup chopped roasted peanuts
Peel and slice apples and cook slowly in molasses until tender; cool. Melt shortening in hot water. Add sifted dry ingredients to make a smooth batter. Stir in molasses, apples and chopped nuts that have been floured with 1 tablespoon flour. Turn into a greased and floured pan and bake in a moderate oven (350 degrees F.) 30 to 45 minutes. Serve warm either plain or with creole fluff.

PEANUT ICE BOX COOKIES

Mix, 1 cup brown sugar, and 1/2 cup butter - add 1 egg - Sift 1 3/4 cups flour, 1 tsp. soda and 1/4 tsp. salt.

Combine with flour and add 1 cup coarsely ground SW Spanish Peanuts. Add 1/2 tsp. vanilla. Shape in roll and wrap in waxed paper. Place in ice box overnight. Slice thin. Bake in moderate oven (300 degrees F.) for 15 to 20 minutes.

PEANUT PANOCCHA

Melt 1 tbsp. butter and 2 cups brown sugar, 3/4 cup cream or milk. Bring to boiling point. Boil without stirring to 238 degrees F. or soft ball stage. Remove from fire and cool. Beat until thick.

Add 3/4 cup chopped roasted SW Spanish Peanuts, 1/2 tsp. salt.

Drop onto waxed paper or press in buttered pan and cut in squares.

PEANUT BUTTER SANDWICH MIX

1/2 cup peanut butter, 1 cup grated raw carrot, 2 tbsps. mayonnaise, bread, butter or margarine, 1/2 cup peanut butter, 1/2 cup jelly, bread and butter.

STATEMENT OF CONDITION

The First National Bank GORMAN, TEXAS
"Oldest Bank In Eastland County"

as of December 31, 1956

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts	627,666.86
Banking House, Furn. & Fixtures	3,601.00
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	3,000.00
Bills-Lading, Public Obligations & SBA Loans	317,719.27
U. S. Government Bonds Owned	508,000.00
CASH	440,637.64

TOTAL 1,900,624.77

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	50,000.00
Surplus	50,000.00
Undivided Profits	50,000.00
Deposits	1,750,624.77

TOTAL 1,900,624.77

OFFICERS

W. G. KIRK, President	Edward F. Harrison, V. Pres.
Anna Louise Spence, Cashier	Dorothy Sparks, Asst. Cashier



Another old picture, but this is an example of some of the fine watermelons raised around Gorman by D. B. Warren who is known as one of the successful farmers in this area.



PEANUT GROWING CHAMPS - Otis A. Jordan, of Carbon; Jack Mauney and Lonnie Hampton of Gorman displaying peanuts they grew and won top prizes at Gorman's Peanut Festival in 1955. Gorman's Peanut Festival is set for September 12, 13 and 14th for 1957.

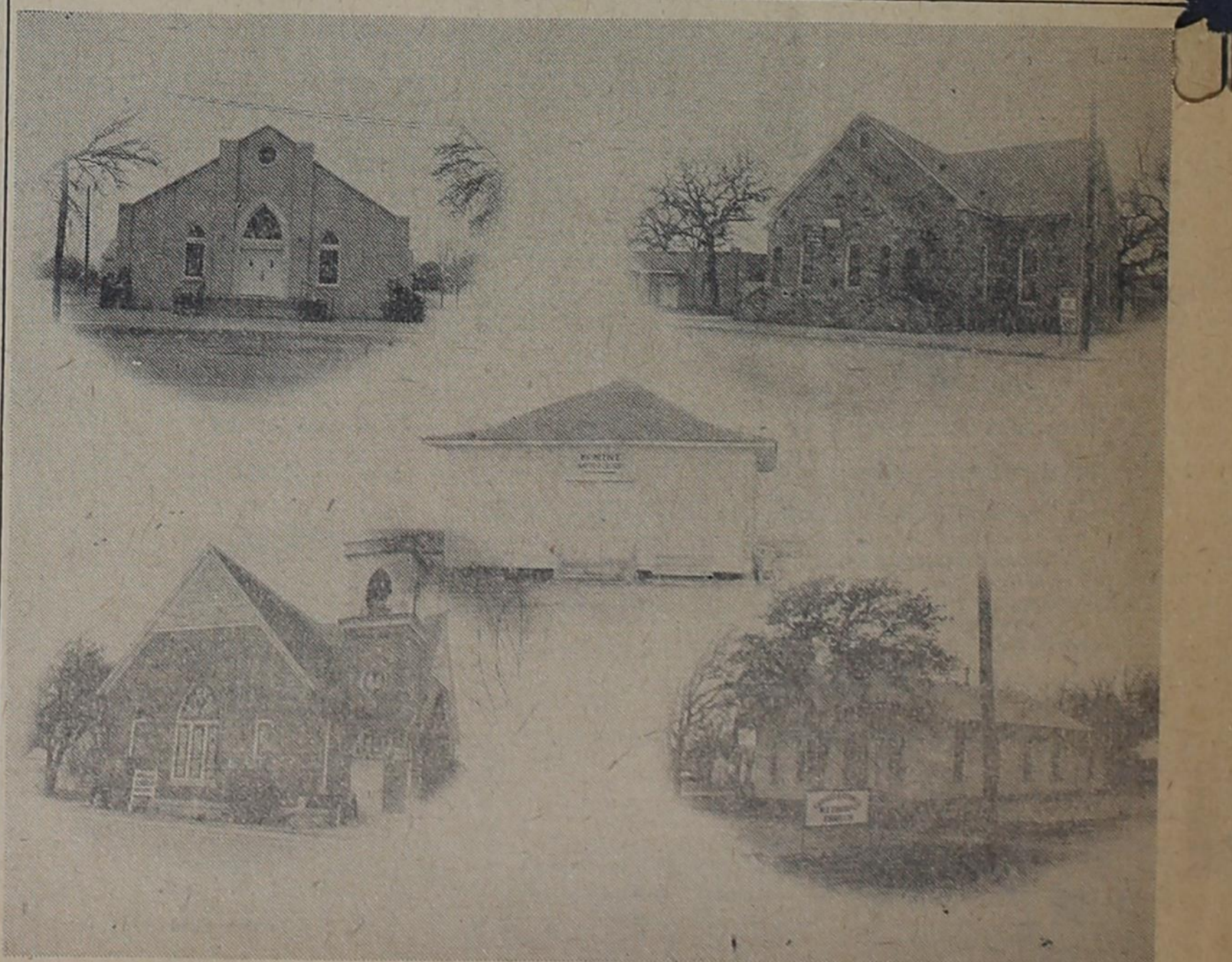


PHOTO BY MILLER STUDIO - Stephenville

Gorman has Six churches. We regret the picture of the Pentecostal Church was not developed. The other churches are, upper left, Church of Christ, upper right, First Baptist Church; center, Primitive Baptist; lower left, First Methodist and lower right Congregational Methodist. Gorman is an average church town with a better than average attendance at all churches.

March 3 through March 9 NATIONAL PEANUT WEEK

Keeping Up With Our Friends

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Hogan had as their guests over the week end Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Nabers and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Newton and children of Ft Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Efford Hogan of Eastland, and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Frost of Seymour.

Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Gray spent the week end in Denton with their daughter, Mrs. Art Maddox.

Mrs. George Blackwell spent the week end with relatives in

Stamford.

Mrs. W. M. Simms returned home Saturday from Knox City where she has been visiting her sister for the past two months.

Mrs. M. A. Pennington and Marvin were home over the week end. They returned Sunday to Dimmitt where Mrs. Pennington is teaching and Marvin is a student.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Daniel of Dallas and Rev. and Mrs. Sharbutt and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ervin visited with Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Pendarvis Sunday evening.

Special Stamp Honors Polio Volunteers



This is the new commemorative stamp, inspired by the coming victory over polio. "Those who helped" are the millions of volunteers of the March of Dimes, scientists, doctors and technicians.

March of Dimes volunteers here and throughout the country have been honored for the fight against polio in the issuance of a special three-cent stamp. The Post Office will place the stamp on sale throughout the country Wednesday, Jan. 16.

The stamp is a "long vertical" and shows a woman with a protective arm around a boy and girl. She also holds a shield with a medical emblem symbolizing the partnership between civilian volunteers and the medical and science professions in the battle against polio. The legend reads, "Honoring those who helped fight polio."

4,000,000 Volunteers

This recognition by the U. S. Government points up the work of some 4,000,000 March of Dimes volunteers for the last 19 years in supplying financial aid to polio research and patient care. The crowning achievement of the program was the development of Salk vaccine.

However, as March of Dimes spokesmen warned, much remains to be done despite the protective power of the vaccine. There are 80,000 Americans disabled by polio who may still need treatment and rehabilitation. Thousands of trained personnel to administer care are needed.

In addition, research must be continued to improve the vaccine and develop new treatment techniques for the disabled. These are the needs to be met out of proceeds of the 1957 March of Dimes.

Officials of the current drive urge residents to use the new commemorative stamps to send in March of Dimes Mailers—the little cards that hold coins and bills—to help finish the polio job.

MORE THAN 200,000 TEXAS WOMEN ARE PARTICIPATING IN MARCH OF DIMES DRIVE

More than 200,000 Texas women are participating in the 1957 March of Dimes Campaign, Mrs. R. O. Pearson of Abilene, State Advisor on Women's Activities for the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, has announced.

Among the activities being conducted by the women throughout the state are coffee parties for polio, direct solicitation, vaccination drives and the Mothers March on Polio. The latter will be conducted on a state-wide basis the night of January 31 although some cities and areas will hold the event at an earlier date, Mrs. Pearson said.

A total of 32 different state women's organizations are participating in the 1957 March of Dimes Campaign. Among these are the United Daughters of the Confederacy, Business and Professional Women, D. A. V. Auxiliary, Pythian Sisters, Zonta International, B'nai B'rith Women, Baptist Women's Missionary Union, Christian Women's Fellowship, Council of Catholic Women and many others.

"Never before in all our history have we had the overwhelming support of women's organizations against polio. In addition to many drives urging members to take advantage of the Salk polio vaccine, there are various women's activities being conducted in every county in Texas to fight polio," Mrs. Pearson declared.

"We expect the largest Mother's March on Polio in the history of Texas with at least 150,000 women participating," the State Advisor on Women's Activities for the National Foundation pointed out.

The 1957 March of Dimes slogan is "Let's Finish the Job." General K. L. Berry, Adjutant General of the State of Texas, is 1957 MOD Campaign Chairman.

Mr. and Mrs. Odis Rodgers, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Stacy of Carbon, Mrs. N. E. Laminack, and Mrs. J. C. Timmons were in Celina on Wednesday attending the funeral of Mrs. Timmons' brother-in-law.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Porter spent the week end in Waco with the Dwayne Clements.

Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Munn and Jean of Merkel spent the week end with her mother and father, the J. R. Todds.

Co. Farm Bureau Quota Set At 475 For 1957

All the Directors present at the December Directors meeting accepted a quota of 475 members for 1957 membership campaign.

J. D. Jordan, Mason, Texas Farm Bureau field representative commended the local group for

the splendid cooperation in the 1956 "Lead the South" goal that helped bring Texas from eleventh to sixth place in membership in the nation.

Eastland County was among the top 15 counties in Texas in a gain in membership the past year, Jordaon stated, and again asked the group cooperation in bringing Texas to the top place in membership increase.

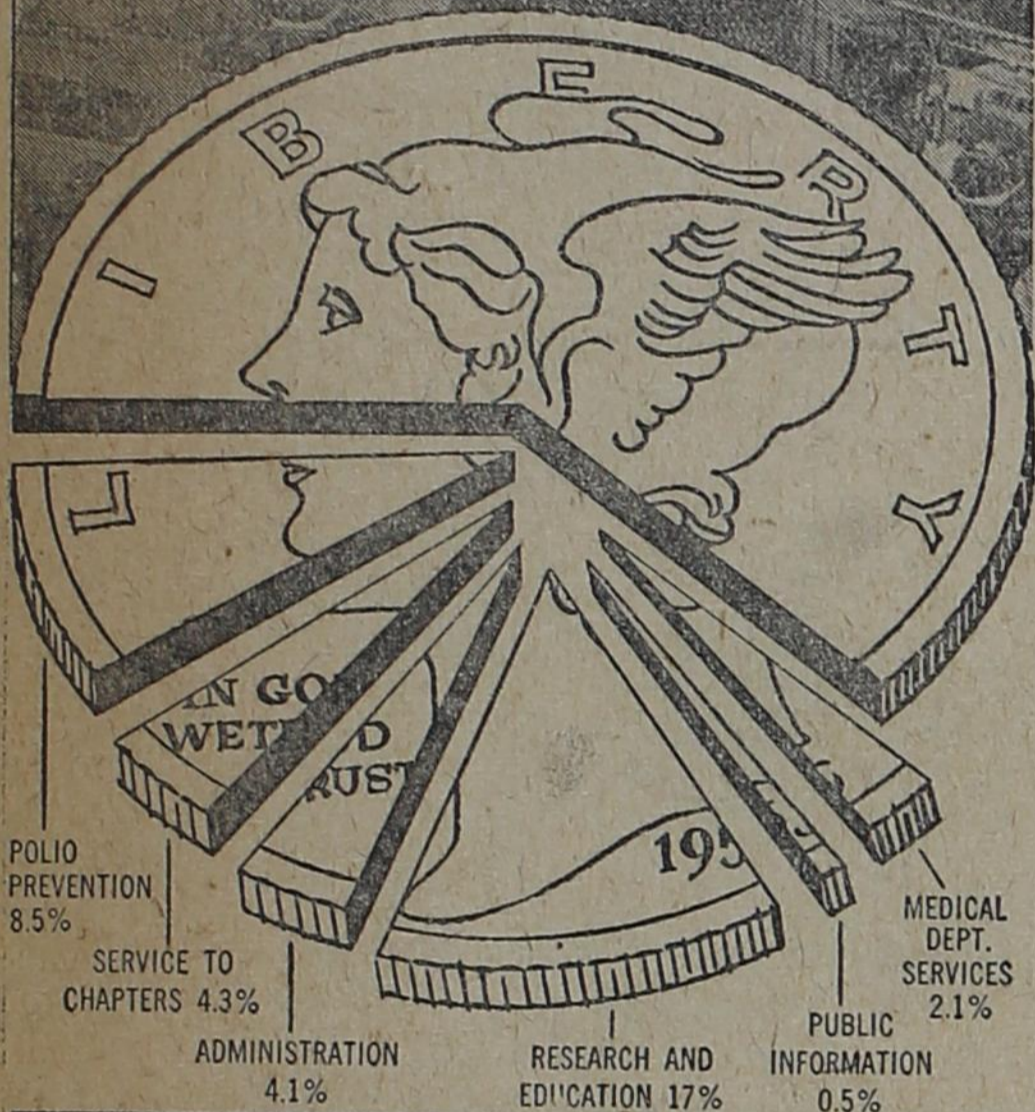
A spring membership drive has been suggested statewide, with

all counties participating in a statewide kick-off on February 14. This suggestion was approved by the group. A county Queen Contest was also planned for the year's agenda, and only one Summer FB Institute, according to latest information, will be held for leadership training. This year's institute will be in Austin, with added tours of the Capitol planned for delegates attending the summer session.

YOUR MARCH OF DIMES MONEY

HOW IT WAS USED FROM 1938 THROUGH 1955

PATIENT AID
63.5%



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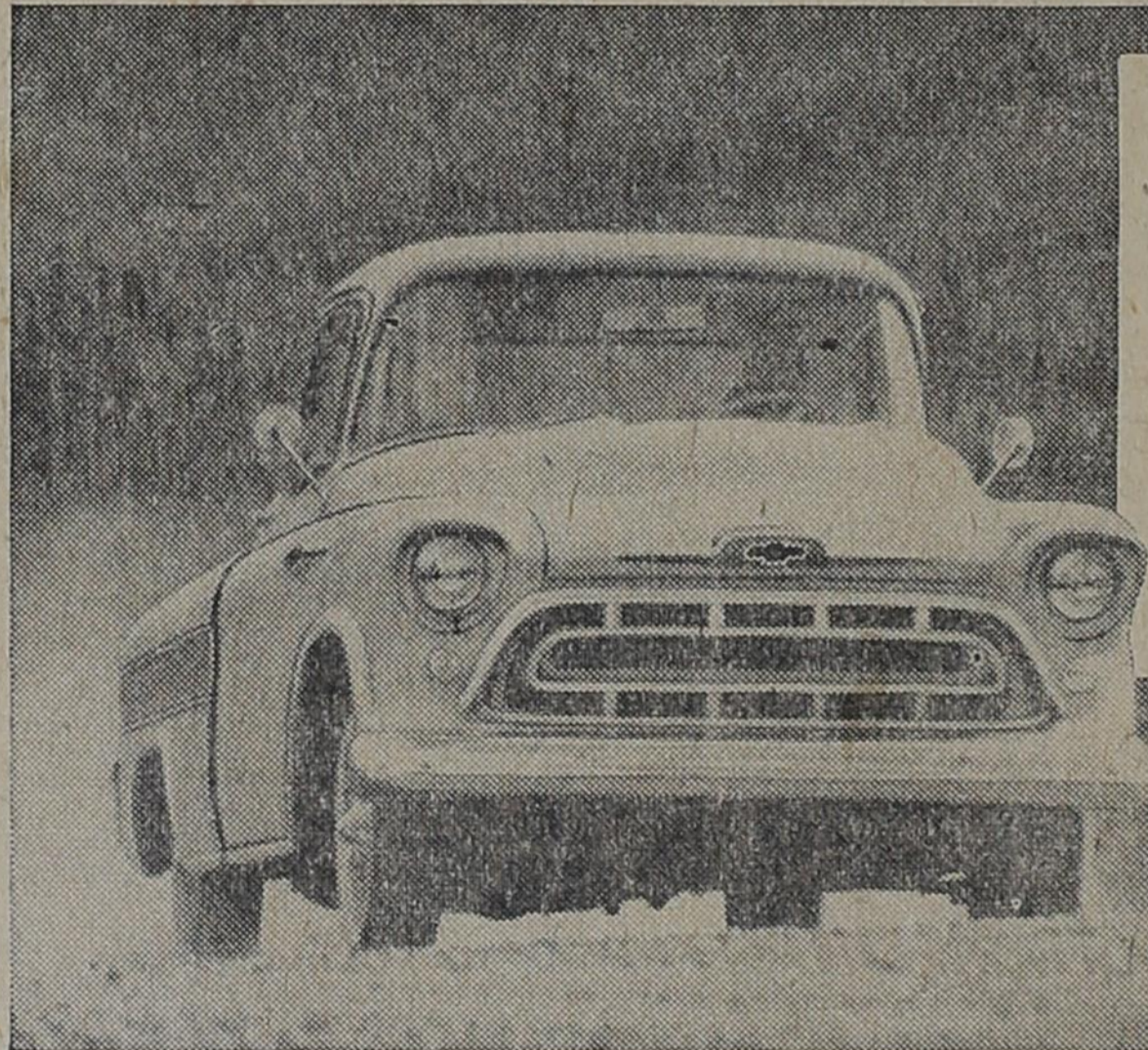
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FORMAL OPENING
FRIDAY, JANUARY 25
BUDDY'S APPLIANCE
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"SERVICE AFTER SALE"
Gorman Hotel

THERE WILL BE A

Cooking Demonstration

BY HOME ECONOMISTS

FREE Coffee & Cookies
Will Be Served



18.17 miles per gallon
on North America's
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Supervised and certified by the AAA.

New Task-Force 57 Chevrolet Trucks

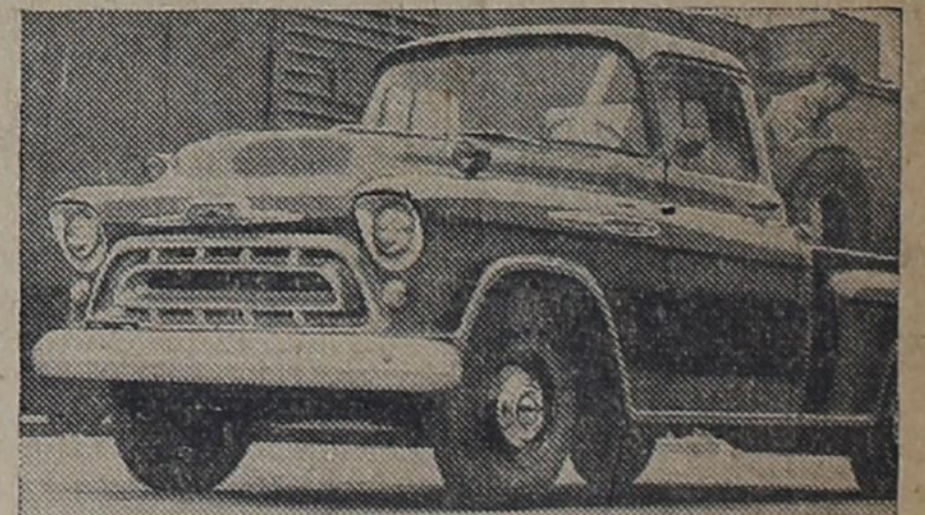
Six heavily loaded Chevy trucks ran all the way up the rugged Alcan Highway in less than 45 hours! That's cutting more than a full day off the normal running time! They ran right around the clock, stopping only to refuel.

But the important fact about this run was that it proved new Chevy trucks through and through. The Alcan Highway is a supreme test of every truck component. Engines had to

prove their power up high-climbing grades and through washouts. Frames and suspensions flexed their muscles over axle-deep ruts and miles of pounding gravel. "And not a single truck turned back or dropped out due to mechanical failure," states the official AAA report of the test. Every model proved its over-all economy by its ironclad ability to stay on the job! Stop by; we'll talk about it.

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**Mrs. A. A. Brown
Host Friendly
Ladies Meeting**

The Friendly Ladies Sunday School Class of the First Methodist Church met in the home of Mrs. A. A. Brown on Wednesday morning for their monthly coffee.

Mrs. G. C. Acrea presented the devotional after which a business meeting was held.

Plans were made to have cards

printed for those who want to give a Memorial to the building fund.

Refreshments of coffee, fruit cake, candy and nuts were served to sixteen members and one guest, Mrs. Marvin Blair.

Members present were Mesdames Bill Parr, Donald Bolt, C. R. Day, M. E. Shell, Wilbur Shell, Dorothy Hatcher, Keith Whitt, W. G. Kirk, W. M. Brogdon, M. H. Fairbetter, G. C. Acrea, Othell Clark, Hubert Craddock, Dean Kirk, Bill Burns, and Joe Collins.

**1957 Farm Bureau
Committees Named**

At the December meeting of the Directors of the Eastland County Farm Bureau, appointments were made of the following committee chairmen and their committee members.

Luther Cunningham, Gorman, will again act as chairman of the Resolutions or Policy Development Committee, along with A. W. Wright, Bluff Branch, Bart Frasier, Ranger, Clyde Coates, Cisco, and J. D. Rogers, Cheaney. This group will work with and frame the resolutions coming from the local community groups to the annual county convention.

Herman Schaefer, Nimrod, First Vice-President, will head the P-X or Policy Execution Committee for 1957. Other committee members are A. Z. Myrick, Cisco, Henry Fry, Cisco, and their duties will be to inform the county membership of legislative issues affecting agriculture, and to coordinate legislative contacts at the proper time.

A new committee was formed - that of the County Animal Health Committee, headed by Don Kincaid, Turkey man from Eastland. Other livestock men named were H. C. Sessums, Flatwood, Dairyman, John Love, Cheaney, Sheep man, Glenn Jordan, Kokomo, Cattle and Sheep, Henry Fry, Cisco, Cattle and Sheep. The County Agriculture Agent J. M. Cooper, the Vocational Ag Teacher, and Dr. Dick Hodges, Ranger Veterinarian, will also serve on the committee.

This committee conforms to one at the State level and it will be its duty to study and make reports on current animal diseases and the control of such diseases through research measures. Legislative measures are recommended whenever necessary, for such control.

The Publicity Committee will again be headed by Mrs. Bill Tucker, Gorman, Editor of the local Farm Bureau newspaper, The Eastland County Farm Bureau Forum. Her committee members are Mrs. Mitchell Campbell, Mrs. Eula Caldwell, Mrs. Herman Schaefer, Mrs. Clyde Coates, and Mrs. T. C. Cozart, representing the various communities over the county.

Mitchell Campbell, President of the Eastland County Farm Bureau, stated this week that a full time office was in the process of

**Mrs. Ella Porter
Honored At Faith
Class Meeting**

The Faith Class of the Gorman First Baptist Church esteemed it an honor to be the guests in the home of Mrs. Helen Claxton on Friday, January 18, 1957 honoring her mother, Mrs. Ella Porter, on her 94th birthday.

The guests arrived at 2 p. m. each one bringing a gift. After presenting the gifts and a birthday greeting the class was called to order by Ist Vice-President, Mrs. R. E. Boucher. The devotional was given by Mrs. Franklin Mears and prayer by Mrs. Claxton.

A short business session and discussion of a project for 1957 was closed with prayer by Mrs. Jodie Grisham.

Mr. M. H. Fairbetter dropped in to make some pictures. He and Mrs. Porter rehearsed some of the past and she related some events of Civil War days.

Mrs. Porter came to Texas in 1908 from Pontotoc, Miss. With the exception of 9 years she has lived in Gorman. She joined the First Baptist Church of Gorman in 1914 and was a regular attendant until a few years back. She is able to get around in her home and stated that she began washing dishes as a regular job when she was 9 years old and that she is still on the job. Mother Porter is head of 5 generations.

Mrs. Porter's bed was decked with an heirloom, a beautiful coverlet in blue and white. Her mother raised the sheep, sheared them, corded the wool, spun the thread, dyed it with indigo and wove the coverlet. Mrs. Porter was 8 years old when her mother made this beautiful pattern.

Pound cake and hot spiced tea were served to Mrs. Jodie Grisham, a niece of Mrs. Porter, Mrs. V. W. Day, invited guest, Mr. M. H. Fairbetter, photographer, and members of the class and the teacher, Mesdames Hamrick, Baskin, Pittman, Boucher, Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Mears, and the hostess.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank each and everyone for their kindness and sympathy shown to us during the illness and death of our mother and grandmother and especially do we thank Mrs. J. B. Brandon, Mrs. Laura Westmoreland, Mrs.

**"Royal Service" Is
Topic Of Study For
Desdemona W.M.U.**

The W. M. U. of the First Baptist Church of Desdemona met Monday, January 21 for the regular monthly program in "Royal Service". The President opened the meeting with prayer by Doris Bryan. The program chairman, Omeda Lewis, led the program for the afternoon.

Monday, January 23 will be our study in "Missions U. S. A." All ladies are urged to attend.

Those present were Mesdames Leota Powers, Arlie Belyeu, Polly Brown, Doris Bryan, Gussie Ragland, Ella Tidwell, Omeda Lewis, Hattie Tate and Nono Grimshaw.

Gussie Ragland, Reporter

**Congregational
Methodist Notes**

Our District prayer meeting started off well. Had seven visiting ministers and visiting members from six of the churches in the district.

After the wonderful song and prayer service, Rev. Rance Forsam of Hico brought the message on what we as church members and Christians owe our God and our Church.

"Wherefore seeing we also are passed about with so great a cloud of witness, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us." Heb. 12:1.

Note: "every weight" here spoken of includes those traits of character and habits of life, that retard or hinder our running successfully the Christian race. They are to be laid aside. But there is one thing referred to here that is more than a weight - it is sin. And one that easily besets us all. The sin of unbelief, to be unbelieving is sinful.

Mrs. L. P. Angin, Reporter

Jess Richardson and Doyle Parker.

May God's blessings be with each of you.

Children and Grandchildren of Mrs. Lee Robinett

**FEB. 5 IS DEADLINE FOR
TEXAS VETERANS TO BID
ON VLB TRACTS OF LAND**

AUSTIN, Jan. 18 - Texas veterans were reminded Friday that they have only until February 5 to submit bids on 56 tracts of land which the Veterans' Land Board has for sale.

Land Commissioner Earl Rudder, who is chairman of the VLB, explained that - unlike normal procedure in the Veterans' Land Program - veterans are not re-

quired to obtain an application number to purchase any of these tracts.

The lands to be sold, which are located in all sections of the state, have been forfeited by original owners who purchased the property through the Veterans' Land Program.

Commissioner Rudder urged veterans who are interested in this sale to immediately apply to the Veterans' Land Board in Austin for

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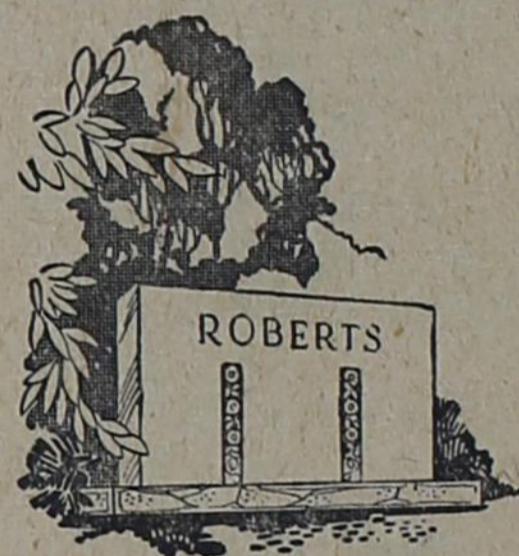
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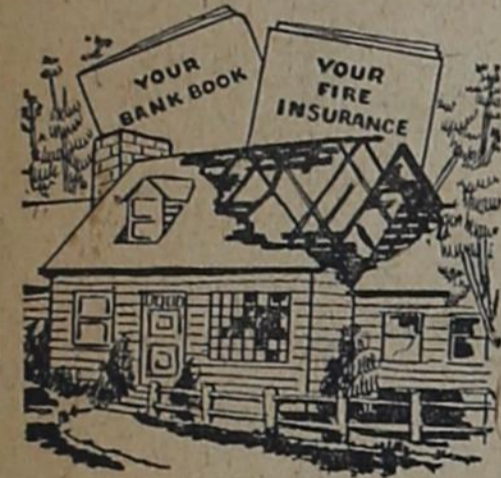
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