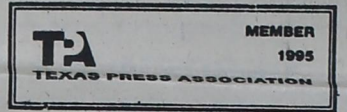


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From

Staff and Correspondents

*Joe - Lonnie - Sarah
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DESDEMONA NEWS

VONNIE GUTHERY - PHONE 758-2665

First Baptist Church had low attendance last Sunday morning. Robert Ragland of Plainview and Michelle Wortham of Nashville, Tennessee brought the special music for the morning service.

Bro. Joe Wortham visited Monday thru Wednesday in Hobbs, New Mexico with his brother, Chuck Wortham and wife, Larry.

Charles and Sarah Williams of Granbury - Debert and Fay Williams of Stephenville - David Williams of Oklahoma - Dorothy (Williams) Roberts - Leo and Eloise (Wisdom) Williams - Steve Yardley all of Desdemona enjoyed a "Cousin-get-together" supper in the home of Ruth (Williams) Daffron in Desdemona. All reported a good visit and plenty to eat.

Jimmy Wortham and Michelle Wortham of Nashville, Tennessee visited the Christmas holidays with Bro. Joe Wortham and Misty. They all visited on Christmas day in Arlington with Tommy and Peggy Moberly and children, Jeff and Alissa and Alice Bratton of Guymon, Oklahoma.

Kevin and Ulenda Weaver - Heath and Ashley Weaver - Shawn and Heather Caddell and Kelsey - Shelly Horan all of Fort Worth - Jeff Roberts of Dallas visited the Christmas holidays with Dorothy Roberts.

LORIN KAYE DECKER CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY

Lorin Kaye Decker celebrated her 2nd birthday on Friday night, December 22nd in the home of her grandparents, Wayne and Karen Eaves. Birthday cake and ice cream was served to her great grandparents, Pug and Vonnice Guthery - Holly Creed - Belinda Webb -

Kandice Martin - All of Desdemona - Angela Creed and Colin Zane of De Leon.

Johnny and Kathryn Eaves - Jennifer and Michaelyn Eaves - bobby and Elaine Eaves - Josh and Jeremy Eaves - Melinda Eaves all of Gorman enjoyed a holidays supper on Saturday night, December 23rd with Wayne and Karen Eaves. Others attending were Holly Creed - Lorin Kaye Decker of Desdemona - Angela Creed, George Garcia and Colin Zane of De Leon.

Pug and Vonnice (Keith) Guthery Celebrated their 45th Wedding Anniversary on Saturday, December 23rd. Pug thinks that he deserves a "Purple Heart" Award - cause he says that he has been wounded several times thru the years. But that is only "one man's opinion!!"

This reporter received a phone call from a former classmate, Royce Griffith and wife, Betty of Big Springs on Thursday night, December 21st. Royce recently had lung cancer surgery to remove part of a lung. He is now taking treatments and reported doing as well as he can. Royce graduated from Desdemona High School with this reporter with the class of 1951. His parents are Veda Griffith of Forsan and the late, Dave Griffith.

Pug and Vonnice Guthery hosted Christmas Day dinner in their home. Those attending were Wayne and Karen Eaves - Holly Creed - Lorin Kaye Decker - Belinda Webb - Kandice Martin - Bernard and Ann Keith all of Desdemona - George Garcia - Angela Creed and Colin Zane of De Leon - Bill and Tami Sanders - Robyn Griffith of Chicota - Bradley and Sonja Holland of Waco.

Gorman School Report Card

To Comply with the Texas Education Code 39.053 the Gorman Independent School District board of trustees is required to (a) publish an annual

report describing the district's educational performance on the Academic Excellence Indicator System indicators; (b) hold a hearing for public dissemination of the report; and (c) widely disseminate the report within the district.

The public hearing on the AEIS will be held on January 8, 1996, at 7:00 P.M. in the office of the Superintendent at Maxfield Elementary School. The AEIS report will be available for public inspection, after January 8, at each school office of the Gorman ISD.

In addition to publishing the full AEIS report and having it available to the general public at school offices, the district will send each parent a summarized report, showing performance on key indicators. This summary will be called THE SCHOOL REPORT CARD and will be given to each child with their next report card -- January 3rd.

Graveside Rites Held Tuesday For Philip Osborne

Philip Evert Osborne, 59, died Saturday December 23 in a local hospital.

Graveside services were Masonic rites were at 2 p.m. Tuesday December 26, at Gorman Oaklawn Cemetery with the Rev. Darrell Dossey officiating, under the direction of Higginbotham Funeral Home.

Mr. Osborne was born in Union City, Ind. and was a member of the New Lisbon Christian Church in Union City. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge of Gorman and the Scottish Rite and Shrine of Eastland. He was a past master and past matron of Eastern Star.

Survivors include his wife, Sandra Sue Osborne of Gorman; two sons, Johnnie Osborne and Phil Osborne, both of Gorman; three daughters, Kathi Williams and Pam Osborne, both of Gorman and Sue Ann Wiley of San Saba; two brothers, Roger Osborne of Portland, Ind. and Jerry Osborne of Union City, Ind.; and three grandchildren.

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- J -

Well I hope the Christmas holiday was as good to you as it was for our family. We enjoyed the day by being together, enjoying each others company, opening gifts - - - and that marvelous food that overloaded the table. And, of course, we had to try and eat it all up, because the cooks said that all that was left was going into the garbage disposal. So we did our best to do away with it so that poor ole garbage disposal wouldn't get all choked up. Man it was great!! We should all

thank God for our children and the precious time we have with them.

Hope that the coming New Year will be the best ever for you and yours and that everything fortunate will come to you and yours. We appreciate the patronage and support that has come our way this year and want to let all of you know just how much we thank you for the continued success we are blessed with.

We hope that things will continue to grow and prosper in our town in 1996 as it did in 1995. We have had such great expansion and growth in our town. It is amazing and we hope it continues to do so.

Everyone should be safe and sane during this upcoming New Year holiday and be especially careful of the children who are enjoying their school holidays. We certainly wouldn't want to do anything that would harm our most precious possession, our children.

Again, we hope all of you have a great and prosperous New Year. And remember to smile - - because God Loves You!!

CARBON NEWS

Well I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas with their families or friends. It was a beautiful day.

Those visiting with Truman and Wanda Bryant were Angie and Dwayne Clower of Pioneer; Wendy, Jody, Nicole and Jessica Forbus of Stephenville; Keith and Gayle Clower of Carbon. Candi, Bobby, Caleb and Cody Taylor of Sonora; Doug and Sandra Bryant, Hannah and Jody of Many, La.; Jake Donaldson of Andrews and Chuck Donaldson of Dallas; Danny Donaldson of Houston; Phylles and Vernon Wright of Eastland. The Charles Bryant family of Panther Creek came by for a short visit.

Hep and Jo Nell Jackson had their family with them for Christmas. They were Linda and Curtis Neely of Horse-shoe Bay; Debra and Danny Cox, Cory and Cody of Arlington.

Visiting with Coy and Jessie Mangum last week were Hazel Campbell, R Lee McDaniel, Ruth Knowles, Mary Lou Hodge of Carbon and Cassie Eakers of Cisco. Coy Jr., Tonya and Andrew of Mangum and Linda Ritter of Ft. Worth had Christmas dinner with them on Sunday.

Visiting Billie Stacy on Saturday were Maxine and Charles Morgan, Marty and Tara Morgan of Briggs; Marla, Ande, Andrea and Austan Paulk of Imperial; Marc Morgan of Cross Plains; Tim, Darlene and Delana Stacy and Greg and Becky Stacy of Arlington; Terry, Gayla, and Brad Stacy of Carbon; Jennifer and Clint Cecil, Angela and Bubba Twitchell all of Eastland.

Christmas Day visitors with the J.L. McCaniles were Betty, Mike, Jeremy and Travis Joyner of Austin; Jeanette, Chris and Danny Webb of Crowley; Ken and Jan McDaniel of Athens.

Visiting with Marvin and Gladys Hale were Jimmie Ervin of Lubbock; Patsy Charles and Krsitan Bryant of Panther Creek; Kelly Bryant of Abilene, Karen, Jody and Reagan Barr of Coleman; Kevin and Sandy Bryant of Wellington.

Visiting with Charles and Maxine Morgan over the weekend were Marty and Tara Morgan of Briggs, Marc of Cross Plains; Marc, Ande, Andrea and Austan Paulk of Imperial.

Visiting with Elizabeth Sandlin Saturday were Kathryn, Freddie and Chad Coburn of San Angelo, Melissa Killen of Mesquite; Bill, Cathy, Heather,

Clay and Cole Sandlin; C.O. Sandlin of Carbon, Carrie Coleman, Ray and Ross of Corpus Christi; Sheryl and David Dale, Justin and Jarred of Ranger; Larry and Beverly and Aaron Sandlin of Carbon.

Those enjoying Christmas with Bubba, Tena, Nicole and Amy Knowles were Ruth Knowles, Sandra and Laura Knowles of Eastland.

Chuckie Martin and Jerry Krause of Big Springs came by last week for a visit with their parents, Helen and Wayne Krause.

There will be a musical at the Carbon Community Center this Saturday night Dec. 30th. Stew and all the trimmings will be served starting at 5 O'clock. Everyone come.

Sunday afternoon Dec. 31st. there will be a gospel singing at the Baptist Church. Everyone is invited to come and sing praises to the Lord and enjoy fellow-

ITEMS OF INTEREST

POSTAL SERVICE TO OPEN ENTRANCE EXAMINATION

The Rural Carrier Associate examination will be open to the general public January 8 through January 18, 1996, for the Stephenville Area eligibility register. Offices included in the Stephenville AER are Stephenville, Blanket, Bluffdale, Comanche, De Leon, Dublin, Gordon, Gorman, Gustine, Hico, Lipan, Mingus, and Tolar, Texas.

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SCHOOL Menu

BREAKFAST
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Wednesday - Cereal, toast, juice and milk.

Foul Weather Driving Tips

Facts From The American College Of Emergency Physicians

(NAPS)—Driving safely when the weather turns foul takes concentration and planning. These tips from the American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP) will help.

- Always wear your seat belt.
- Make sure your windshield and mirrors are clear of frost, snow and ice and the driver's seat is positioned properly.
- Plan ahead. Leave earlier than usual to allow extra time to reach your destination.
- Keep a "winter emergency kit" in your car. It should include a flashlight, flares, jumper cables, snacks, extra gloves, hat, blanket, sand, a small shovel and boots. A warm sleeping bag is also a good idea.
- Carefully assess road and driving conditions when driving on unfamiliar roads. Be especially cautious on bridges and ramps.
- Drive at speeds appropriate for road conditions. Use "defensive" driving attitude and actions.
- Keep your distance from other autos and obstacles.
- In a skid situation, if your car is equipped with an Anti-Lock Brake System (ABS) remember to maintain continuous pressure on your brakes. If your car does not have ABS, and you feel your car starting to skid, pump your brakes lightly. Turn your car to follow the direction of the skid to help maintain control. Remember, if the road and weather conditions are truly hazardous, reschedule your travel.



When driving in snow and ice, leave extra distance between your car and the car in front of you.

American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP) is a national medical specialty society representing more than 18,000 emergency physicians who specialize in emergency medicine.

Thursday - Cheese toast, hashbrown, juice and milk.
Friday - Breakfast burrito, juice and milk.

LUNCH

Monday - Tuesday - NO SCHOOL
Wednesday - Chicken Nuggets, Cream Potatoes, green beans, gravy, hot-rolls, honey and milk.
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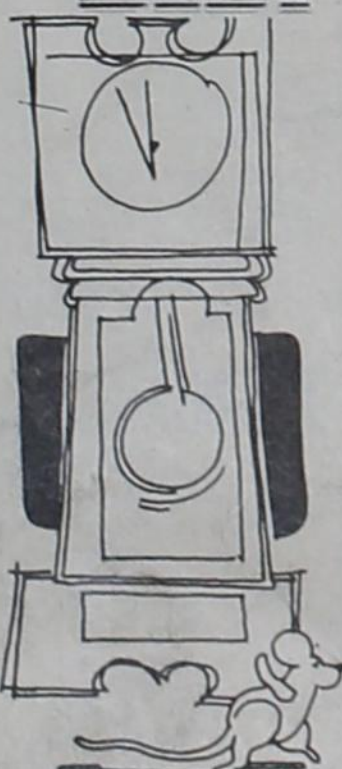
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BEST WISHES



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Silage Production Seminar Tuesday January 9

The Comanche County Extension Field Crops and Dairy Committees are cosponsoring a Silage Production Seminar, Tuesday, January 9 from 8:30 a.m. till 2:00 p.m. The seminar will be held at the Comanche Community Center on Hwy 377 west of Comanche. The Silage Production Seminar will include 2 continuing education credits and a sponsored lunch.

The seminar will feature several well known Extension specialists addressing all aspects of production, harvesting and preservation.

Dr. Cloyce Coffman, Extension Agronomist will address hybrids, land

preparation fertility, plant spacings and maturity.

Dr. Paul Baumann, Extension Weed Specialist, will explain the newest in herbicides including pre-emerges and over the top post grass and weed control.

Dr. George Alston, Extension Agronomist will cover result demonstrations conducted in variety selection and fertility.

Dr. Gerald Conmforth, Extension Economist will discuss costs and returns for all silage crops.

Last on the program Dr. Keith Bolin, Kansas State University, will address

the problems of chopping silage, particle size, moisture content and silage preservation.

Working with Dr. Bolin on this part will be Chuck Grimes area Dairy Consultant.

To preregister call the Comanche County Extension Office at 915/356/2539 or fax 915/356/3710.

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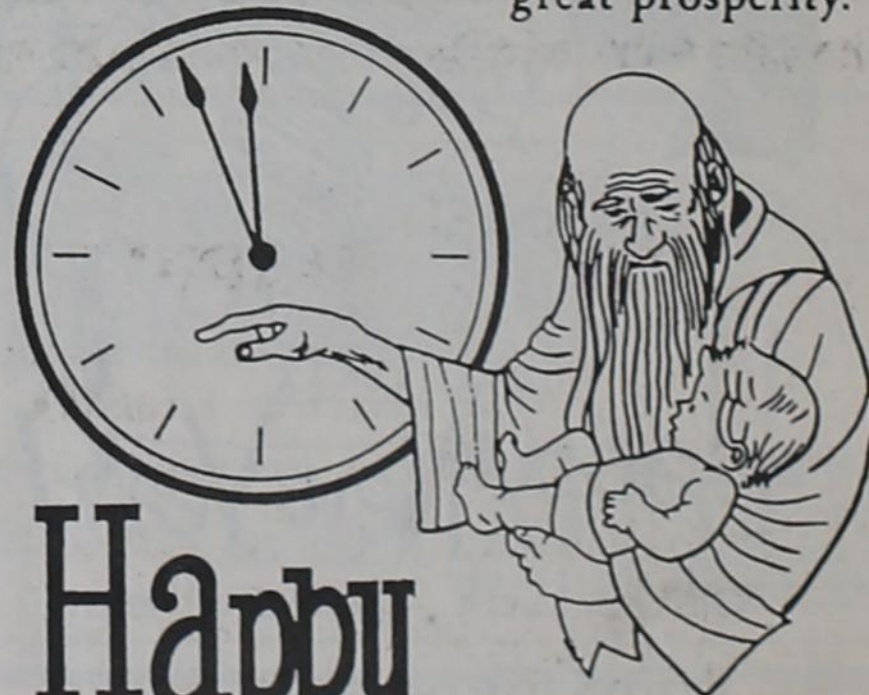
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HERITAGE MANOR NEWS

NANCY HENDRICKS - REPORTING

The next Birthday will be Thursday December 28, at 2:00 P.M. Residents having December birthdays are Veno hale and Clayton Cook. there will be entertainment and refreshments. Guests are always welcome.

Donald and William Holder of Desdemona visited Georgie Whitlock, Sylvia Hodges and Skinnie Lewis.

On Sunday morning at 10:00 A.M. Bro. Brent Lasater from First Baptist Came and taught the Sunday School lesson for Cynthia Earles, Bernice

Rodgers and Ollie Halcomb.

Freeman and Dorothy Burn of Johnston Colorado visited her sister Valeta Richardson other guests W. Jo Etheredge.

On Monday Ruth Minor came and played the Electric Keyboard, and everyone sang. Residents present were S.D. Gilmore, Effie Mae Brown, Veno Hale, Leotis Meadows, Iris Smith, Bernice Rodgers, Ollie Halcomb, Cynthia Earles, and Dorothy Beaty. Visiting Iola Johnson were Ina

Reynolds of Carbon, Laverne Kenney of De Leon and Della Galloway.

We sure appreciated the Candy Canes for everyone that Cindy, Eric and Lesa Rodgers brought on Monday evening.

Some of Agnes Hodges guests have been Ruthie Porter, Jessie Woosley, Bertha Gregory, Willo Rice, Ima Brown, Geroge Fay Skaggs, Nancy Hendricks, Robin Speck, Sue Carr and Mayvis Lasater.

Sorry to report clayton Cook is a patient in the Eastland Hospital.

Some of Ruth Brooms guests were Ray Broom and Frankie Eakin of Eastland, John Jennifer and Andy Broom, Edora and Dawn Roberts, Nancy Hendricks, Ruth Bryant, Jeff Broom, Mayvis Lasater and Eunice Love.

CHRISTMAS PARTY DEC. 18

It was a Merry Christmas time on Monday evening, Santa clause came and many pretty gifts were passed out. Jimmy Little led the singing and Billie Stacy played the piao, cookies, Was-sial and coffee was enjoyed by all.

Those present were Cindy, Eric, and Lisa Rodgers, Wynogene Smith, Howard and Pat Hagood, Nelda Mauney, Jessica Wall, Shirley Warren, Bilie Stewart, Annie Fay Foster, Sue Seaton, Jimmy and Verna Little, David and Eldena Halcomb, Edie Nichlos, Chesley Atchison, Chris Funderburk, Greg, Scott, and Joyce Nesky, Billie Stacy and M.L. Skiles, Residents were Travis Smith, Buck Foster, Cleo Clement, Effie Mae Brown, S.D. Gilmore, Ora Mae Atchison, Ruby Nowlin Cynthia Earles, Ollie Halcomb, Orlena Perdue, Veno Hale, Bernice Rodgers, Iris Smith, Lovell Whitehorn, Georgie Whitlock, Frank Skiles and Ruby Vandergriff.

Those visiting Mary Williams were Fred McMullen of Melrose New Mexico, Ima Brown, Virginia Turner, Maxine Frasier of De Leon.

We all enjoyed the Christmas Carols sung by Ruth Miner, Summer Clark, Jennifer Torrez, Robin Speck, Debbie Clark, Ellen Gresset, Kristil Thompson, Nicole Simpson, and Sharla Clark on Monday evening.

Some of Bernice Rodgers guests were Billie Stacy, John and La Tonn Rodgers of Carbon, Mike, Cindy, Eric and Lisa Rodges of Cisco, Deb and Lovell Crowley, of Kingsville, Jana Grace, Ima Brown, Malery May, Eunice Love, Nancy Hendricks, Ava Rodgers.

Some of Rubye Jones guests were Vickie and Seth Johnson, Jerry Brown, Josh Johnson, Johnnie and Vickie Johnson.

Chris Funderburk of De Leon visited Ruby Nowlin.

On Tuesday morning Betty Duke and Laurene Ashley of Desdemona came and played the Electric keyboard for Ora Mae Atchison, Effie Mae Brown, S.D. Gilmore, Ollie Halcomb, Cynthia Earles, Iris Smith, Georgie Whitlock, Leotis Meadows, Orlena Perdue, Sylvia Hodges and Veno Hale.

Some of Skinnie Lewis guests were Philip and Donna Lewis, Jim and Karen Burleson, Eloise Lewis, Glyn and Alpha Thiebaud, Donald and Wilma Hodger of Desdemona.

Those coming for the Tuesday afternoon Sing-O-Long were Billie Stacy, R.L. McDaniels, Ruth Knowles, Dorothy Light and Alpha Mae Andry, Irene Hallmark, and Nancy Hendricks. Residents were Jess hallmark, Cynthia Earles, Effie Mae Brown, S.D. Gilmore, Ollie Halcomb, Orlena Perdue, Bernice Rodgers, Iris Smith, Ora Mae Atchison.

Those visiting Cynthia Earles were Vardie and Fay Huff, Kristen Turner, David and Dena Halcomb, Ollie Halcomb, Denjie Murphey, Jessie Woosley, Fay Earles, Amanda Earles, Tommy Jay Treveno.

Ruth Miner came and had Singing for Effie Mae Brown, S.D. Gilmore, Cynthia Earles, Leotis Meadows, Ollie Halcomb, Iris Smith, Orlena Perdue.

Some of Olga Kinser guests were Winnell Browning, Mayvis Lasater, Floydene Gilbert, Dee Smithy, James and Ruby Lee Kinser.

Visiting Orlene Perdue were Neva Lee Robertson, Howard and Pat Hagood and Nelda Mauney.

Visiting Lavena Blair were Greg, Scott and Joyce Nesky.

Ruth Miner visited Gertie Leeper on Monday.

Barbara Smith and Wynogene Smith visited Travis Smith.

Shirley Warren Dallas, Linda Hughes of De Leon, Billie Stewart and Marilyn Warren visited in the home.

Kelly Johnson from First Baptist church brought her Sunday School class to sing christmas songs on Tuesday evening. They were Jacob Johnson, Enreque Madera, Jasmine Burns, Mark Sanders and Seth Griffin.

Some of Ora Mae Atchison guests were Edie Nichols, Chesley Atchison and Ima Lee Burleson.

On Wednesday evening William E. Hagood Cub Master brought the Cub Scouts Christmas Caroling. Cub Scouts were Carles Guthery Stormy Hurd, Chris Torres, Thomas Hurd, Charlie Tarver, Joel Espenosa, Derrik Adams, Russell Jay, Scotty Lewis, Adam Spivey,

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If you have a baby who was born in 1995, you should know that in order to claim your baby as a tax deduction for 1995 when you file your tax return in 1996, the child must have a SS #.

"Prior to tax year 1995, children listed as dependents on tax returns who were under age one were not required to have a number," explains Ken Hargis, manager of the Abilene Social Security office. "Now a new law requires that all dependents, re-

gardless of age, have a Social Security number beginning with tax year 1995."

However, there is an exception: for children born in November or December of 1995 or in December 1996, the parents have until the following year to get a SS# he said.

In addition, the IRS will dealy processing of returns with missing or incorrect SS number of taxpayers, spouses or dependents. People who expect refunds will be particularly impacted by this policy. If the return does not include the correct SS#s, IRS must have the correct information before issuing a refund. To avoid any possible delays in their refunds, taxpayers are urged to make sure the name and SS# of the taxpayer, a spouse and any dependents listed on the return agree with the name and number shown on each individual SS card. If you didn't apply for the SS# at the hospital when your child was born, then you can get one from SS. Call SS's toll free # 1-800-772-1213, which is available 24 hours a day or contact the SS office in your area. You will have to fill out an application for SS card and present the baby's original birth certificate. You will also be asked for proof of the baby's identity (doctor, hospital bracelet, any identity about the child.) . In addition, you will have to show proof of your own identity such as drivers license. Once you fill out the application and submit the documents neede to SS

you should receive the baby's card in about two weeks.

So, save yourself a last minute rush next year at tax time. Apply for your baby's SS# now. You will not have to pay anything to get a number for your baby. This service is free from SS.



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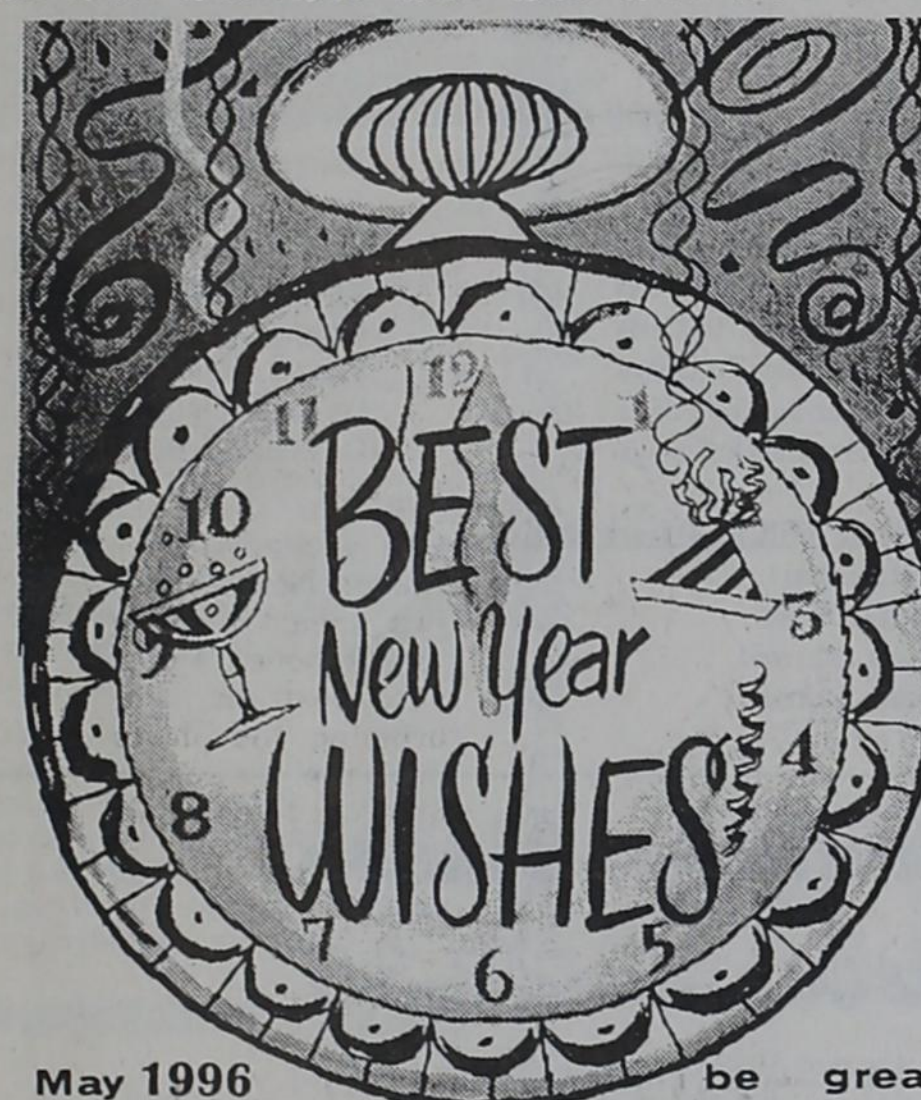
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Bullock Says Feds Can Learn Lesson From Lone Star

Lt. Governor Bob Bullock today called on federal elected officials in Washington to quit acting like Scrooge and give Texans and all Americans the best Christmas gift ever by starting to work together to do what is right for the nation.

"In Texas, the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Speaker and members of the Texas House and Senate have put partisan politics aside to do what is best for Texas," Bullock said. "The best thing the federal government and the Texas Congressional Delegation can do is follow in her footsteps."

"The time is at hand for Washington lawmakers to sit up and take notice. Party politics and bureaucratic bickering have no place in the debate when it comes to doing what is best for our nation and her people," Bullock said.

"In addition to the Christmas holiday, next week marks the 150th anniversary of Texas becoming the 28th state of this great - country. it is sadly ironic that our nation now is being torn apart by party politics and constant conflict," Bullock said.

"Texas is moving forward with a balanced budget, welfare reform, a new juvenile justice code and a new education code that can be a model for the nation," Bullock said.

"The federal government could do a great service and give Americans the best Christmas gift ever by working together today to do what is best for our nation tomorrow."

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If you haven't met them we hope you will drop by and that you will continue to give them your friendship and patronage.

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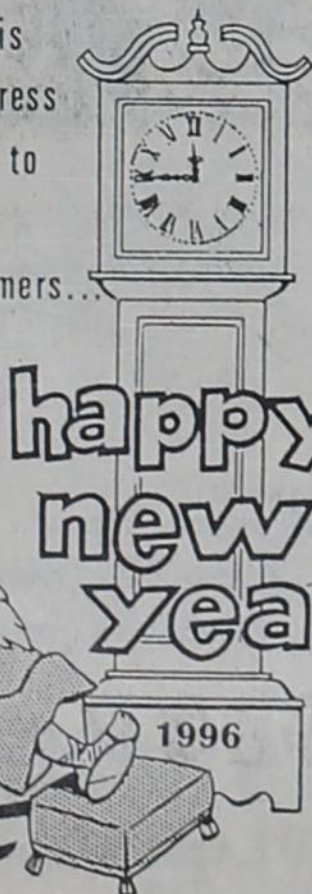
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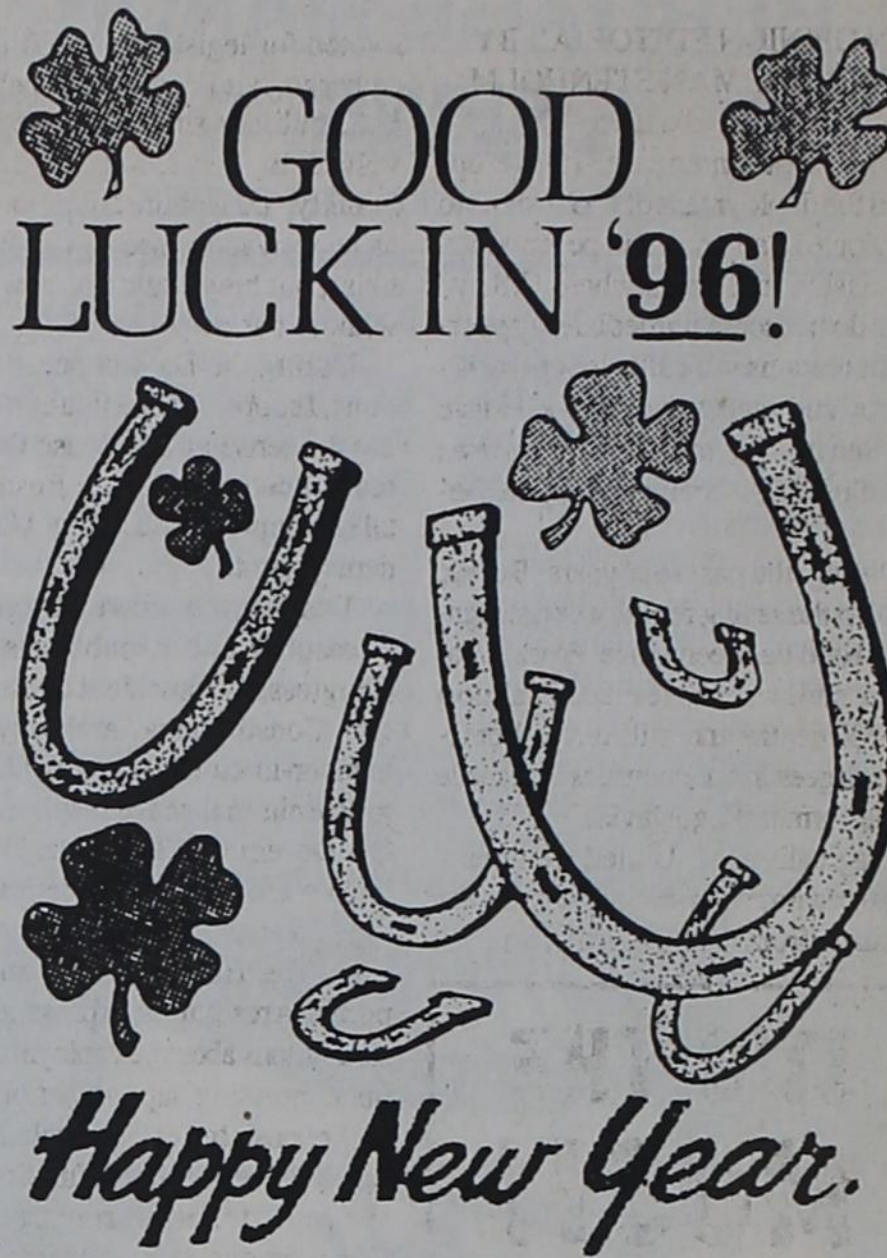
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1:30	De Leon 8th Girls	vs.	Ranger 8th Girls
2:45	De Leon 8th Boys	vs.	Ranger 8th Boys
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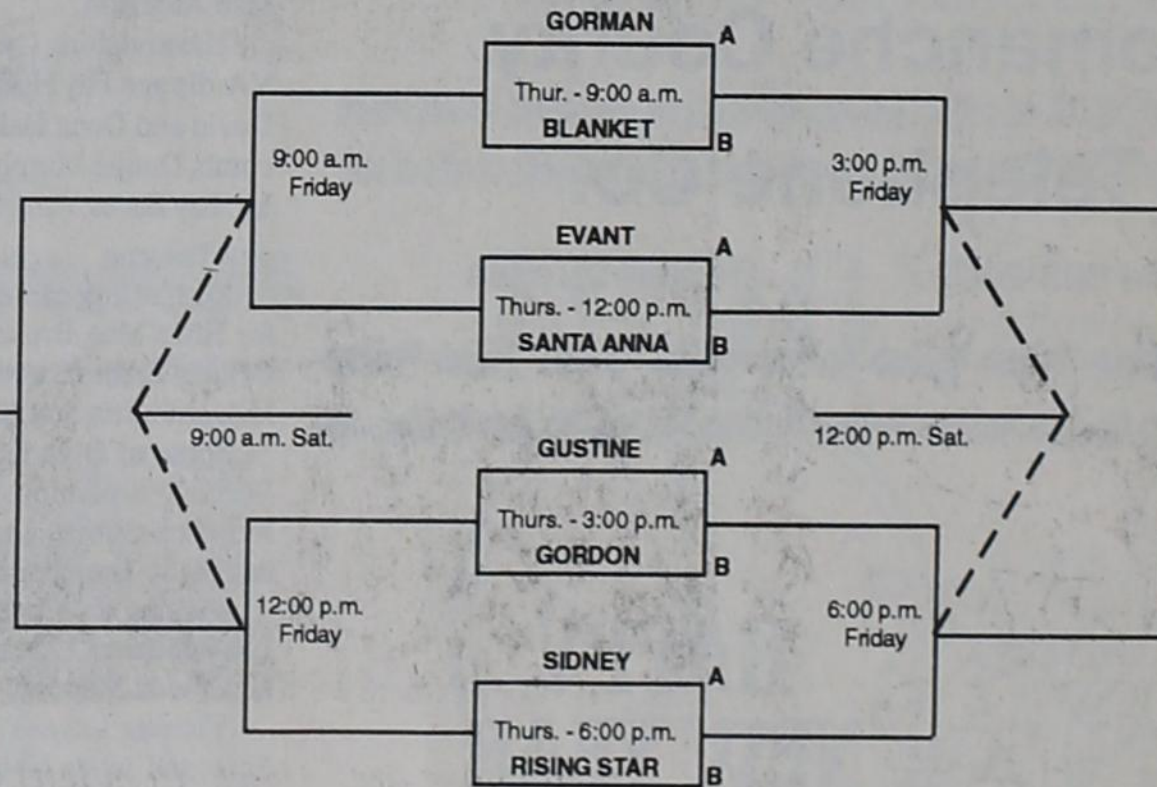
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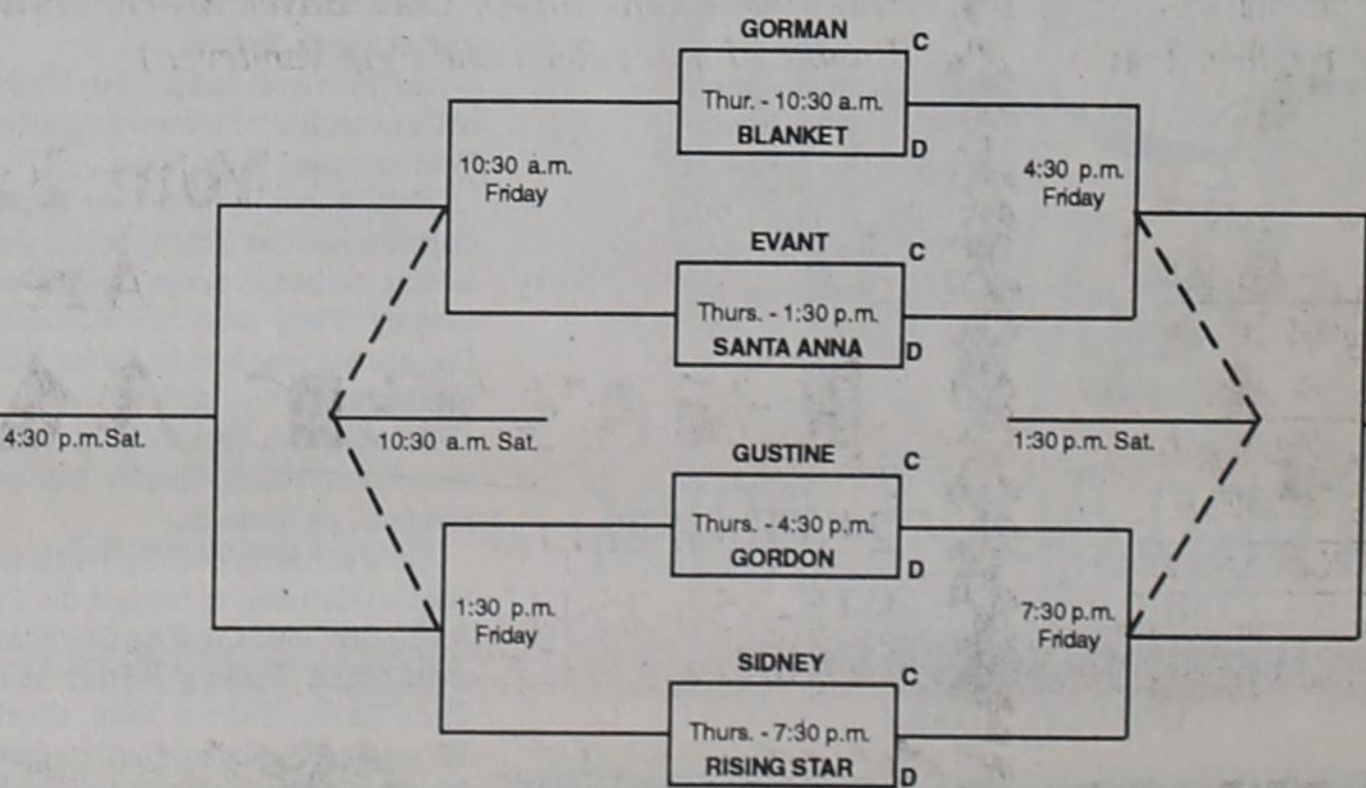
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U.S. Troop Deployment To Bosnia

AN OPINION EDITORIAL BY
CONGRESSMAN STENHOLM
DEC. 20, 1995

Like most Americans, I have opposed the deployment of U.S. troops to participate in an uncertain peace-keeping mission in Bosnia, where U.S. interests do not seem immediately apparent. In response to calls, letters, news reports, and recent votes in the House and Senate, let me state my views regarding U.S. foreign policy in Bosnia.

During the past four years, Bosnia has been the setting for the worst slaughter Europe has seen since World War II. The civil war has resulted in almost 250,000 deaths and millions of homeless refugees in the countries that made up the former Yugoslavia.

Tragically, the United Nations - sponsored arms embargo prevented the Bosnians from protecting themselves.

I voted for legislation to lift the arms embargo, but I continue to believe the U.S. military should not become involved in this European civil war. Frankly, this entire situation should have been addressed by our European allies, but they could not or would not without our help.

During the Dayton peace negotiations, I supported a resolution expressing the sense of the House that a successful outcome for the Bosnia peace talks should not assume U.S. troop deployment.

Despite the grave misgiving of Democrats and Republicans alike in Congress, the president chose to exercise Constitutional authority as Commander-in-chief to commit U.S. forces to Bosnia in a peacekeeping mission. On December 13, both the House and Senate considered legislation regarding U.S. military involvement in Bosnia. The House passed, and I supported, a resolution expressing serious reservations about the deployment policy, but expressing support for our troops.

I opposed an earlier resolution which would have cut off all funding to U.S. troops in the field. Having served in Congress during four different administrations, I have always tried to support, by my words and deeds, the men and women who are put in harm's way by the orders of their Commander-in-Chief. Regardless of the reservations or opposition I might have had about some of these missions, I will not have anything to do with legislation that fails to support our men and women in uniform. It is un-American, unpatriotic, and I won't be a part of it.

As for Bosnia, the United States is faced with two bad foreign policy options; 1) participating in an uncer-

tain and unpopular mission in Bosnia, or 2) becoming increasingly isolationist in a world in which our economic well-being depends on world trade and stability. Given the fragile nature of the young East European democracies, and the increased power of Russia's communist party, our allies are

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concerned about stability in Central Europe. Bosnia could have an impact on the United States' future international role, particularly in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO).

The decision has been made regarding our role, as leader of the free world, in the peacekeeping mission. It seems clear to me the Congress and the American people should now do everything necessary to ensure that our troops have the protection and support they need to fulfill their mission and that they are returned safely to their families. We owe them no less.



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The wonderful spirit of Christmas was in the air on Wednesday night, Dec. 20 as a large crowd gathered at the Kokomo Baptist Church for the program, gift exchange and the meal in the fellowship hall.

The program was under the direction of the minister of music, Woodrow Browning. He lead the congregation in two Christmas hymns, and the choir rendered three beautiful Christmas hymns.

Then in came Santa, that special someone that the children were waiting to see and talk to, and even some of the older ones made their request known to Santa. He passed out fruit and candy bags to all, and with the help of the older children passed out the gifts from under the beautifully decorated Christmas tree. After his cheerful goodbye, Santa was gone to prepare for next Christmas.

After a brief Christmas talk by the pastor, Bro. Clarence Wilson and a paryer of thanks, everyone went to the fellowship hall, for hte delicious meal of barbecue sandwiches, chips and dips and cherry and peach cobbblers and cold drinks. The social committee, under the direction of Kay Snider, chairman, had planned the meal and decorated the tables.

A good time was had by all. There were many visitors, and we want you to know that we appreciate your coming to celebrate Christmas with us, and you have a special invitation to come to worship with us at any time. The true spirit of Christmas was in our hearts as we all said our Merry Christmases to all as we departed for our homes.

There was one service at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Christmas Eve at 10:00 A.M. It was wonderful to see Oren and Norma Webb's children and grandchildren in the service with them, except James who had to work. They were: Judy and David Porter, Scarlett, Amanda and Sarah of Katy, Teresa, Ciji, Jeremy, Jantzen and Chelsea Webb of GLen Rose, and Stacy and Brenda Webb, Jacob and Kaci of Comanche, Mrs. Art Jennings and Nelda Fails of Arlington was also a visitor.

Enjoying Christmas Eve with Vernon, Deon and Lindell Fields were Teresa, Richard, Taylor and Treviss Nachtigall of Morgan Mill, Joe, Barbara, Michael, Lisa and Falya Fields of Carbon, Kaylee and Jamie Thomas of Gorman, George Johnson, Johnny,

Vicki, Josh, Seth and John Tyler Johnson and Johnny, Joan, Kris and Keri Scitern.

Clifford and Lurline Nelson, Cassie Nelson and Zelda Jordan had lunch together in De Leon on Saturday.

Zelda Jordan had lunch with Linda and William Whitley in De Leon on Thursday, and had lunch with the SWPGA employees at their office on Friday. It's great to have wonderful friends.

Clifford and Lurline Nelson and Cassie Nelson enjoyed a Christmas Eve get-together in the home of Dr. Jimmy and Maggie Nelson in Bowie. Others enjoying the gala occasion were Gary, Tena, Caleb, and Haley Danley of Boise, Idaho, Travis, Gladys and Alexis Nelson of Bowie and Robert, Teresa and Quinton Findley of Fort Worth.

Zelda Jordan visited with Larry and Betty Strube on Christmas Eve and Billy Strube of De Leon visited with the Strubes on Christmas Day.

Visiting with Oren and Norma Webb during the Christmas holidays were David, Judy, Scarlett, Amanda and Sarah Porter and Katy, James, Teresa, Ciji, Jeremy, Jantzen and Chelsea Webb of Glen Rose, and Stacy, Brenda, Jacob and Kaci Webb of Comanche.

Our get well wishes go out to Mrs. Wison of Ranger, who is at the home of her daughter, Glynda and Joe Bond while recuperating from surgery in an Abilene Hospital last week.

Christmas visitors with Nancy Hendricks were Sylvia Buchanan and Tina Billingsley of Stephenville, Kelly Buchanan of Waco, Sue and Paul HOy of Greenville, Edward, Carolyn and Courtney Eppler of Atlanta, Ga. and Zelda Jordan. Other visitors during the week were Doris Bradshaw of Gorman, Hope Joiner and Ruth Bryant.

Zelda Jordan enjoyed a Christmas Brunch in the home of Glenda and Bill Priest in Abilene with Sheri and Wade Daniell and Robert, Diane, B.J. and Meagan Miles on Christmas Day.

Enjoying a Christmas get-together in the home of Dean and Lois Collins on Saturday, Dec. 23 were Jim and Judy West of McGregor, Jerry, Stacy West, Chris, Cory and Kelsey of Waco, Lonnie and Jennifer Ayers and Colton of Stephenville, Larry and Beverly Sandlin and Aaron of Carbon, Sheryl and David Dale, Justin and Jerrod of Ranger. Charles and Carolyn Little

of Kokomo, Caye and Scotty Mauney, Zack and Zane of Seymour, Charla and Danny Burgess of Gorman, Alan and Shellie Little, Justin and Ally of Kokomo.

Earlier in the week, Cari Coleman and sons, RAY and Ross of Corpus Christi and James Collins of Halton City visited with Dean and Lois Collins.

Those gathering at the home of Earl and Betty Little for their Christmas get-together on Christmas Eve were Ima Boles of Clyde, Doug, Carole, Joe and David Little of Carlsbad, NM, Ronnie, Karen and Clay Patterson of Knox City, Toby, Sandy and Laura Mullen of Friona, Bobby and Mary Jane Little, Stacy, LaDawn and Alexis Stopp of Denton, Jimmy and Verna Little, Nelda, Cody, and Jarad, Fails of Arlington, James, Jill, Ashley and Breckley Little of Lake Leon, Charles and Carolyn Little, Scotty, Caye, Zack and Zane Mauney of Seymour, Dan and Charla Burgess and Alan, Shellie, Justin and Ally Little.

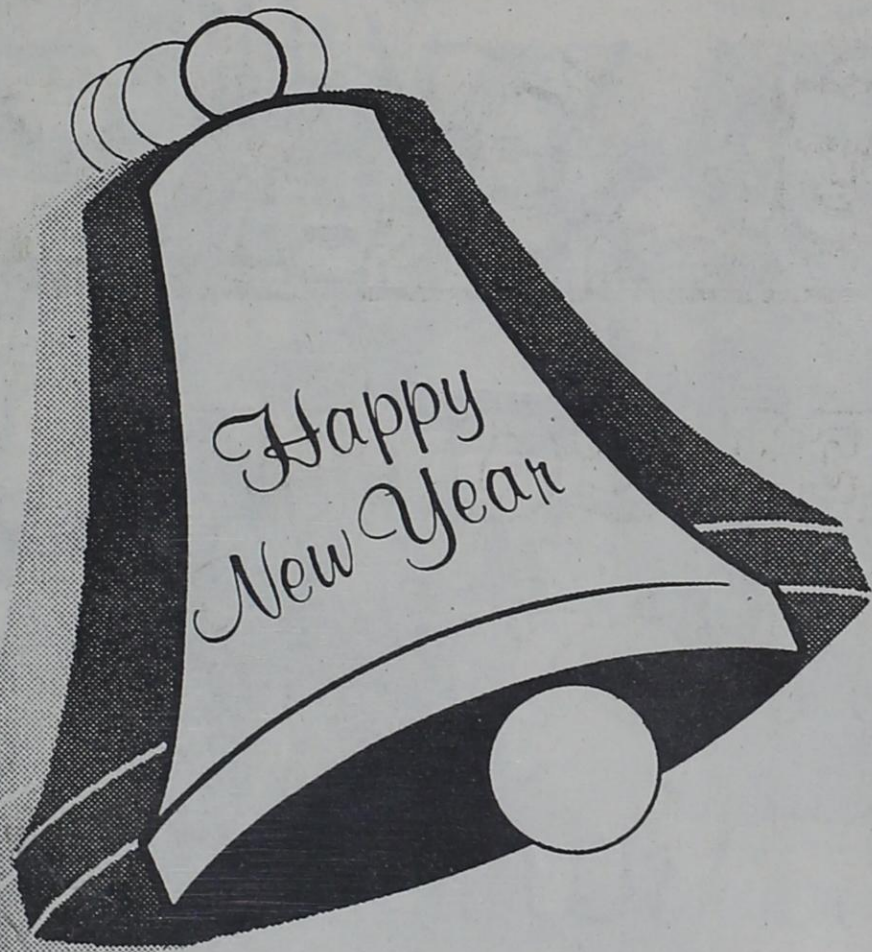
Christmas Day visitors with the Earl Littles were Elbert and Coralee Bennett of Gorman, Sharon and Chris Jones of Austin, and Kerby, Kathi and Courtney Spruiell of Austin.

Ronnie and Laura Shelton, Catherine, Emily and Andrea of Sapulpa, OK are visiting this week Tuesday until Thursday with Oren and Norma Webb.

Christmas Day visitors with Charles and Carolyn Little were Caye and Scotty Mauney, Zack and Zane of Seymour, Charla and Dan Burgess, Alan and Shellie Little, Justin and Ally, and Doug and Carole Little, Joe and David of Carlsbad, NM.

Deon Fields is visiting from Tuesday until Thursday this week in Morgan Mill with Teresa and Richard Nachtigall and family.

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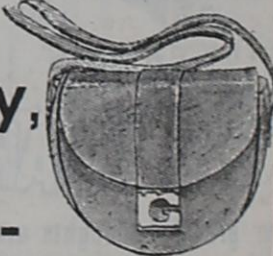
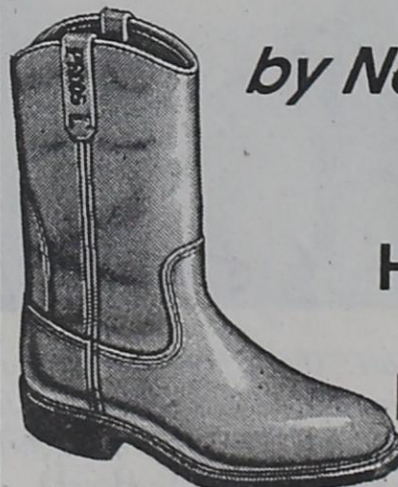
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End-Of-Year
Reminders From
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Do you have a child born this year who doesn't have a Social Security number? Have you changed your name this year (through marriage, divorce, or any other reason)? Are you receiving social Security benefits and you've moved this year?

If these are the kinds of situations that match your circumstances, this is the time of the year you should be sure to talk to Social Security. It's a good time to do a reality check a make sure you are on top of your rights and responsibilities under Social Security.

Do you have a child who was born this year who doesn't have a SS number? The law requires you to list the SS number on your tax return for each dependent born before November 1,

Frequent Asked
Questions About SS
Survivors Benefits

Most People associate retirement benefits with SS, but many are not aware of the valuable survivors insurance protection they receive under SS. Consider this: For an average wage earner who dies and leaves a spouse and two children, the value of SS survivors benefits is equivalent to a \$295,000 life insurance policy. The difference is that the SS survivors benefits are paid monthly and not in a lump sum.

There are some misconceptions about survivors insurance benefits. This column will answer basic questions about survivors benefits, questions that are most frequently asked.

How much work do you need for survivors insurance coverage?

The number of credits you need for your family to be eligible for survivors insurance benefits depends on your age when you die. The younger a person, the less work needed to be eligible for survivors insurance. A person who dies before age 22, for example would need only 1 1/2 years of work for coverage. And, no individual will need more than 10 years of work to be eligible for any Social Security benefit.

Who can get survivors benefits? SS survivors benefits can be paid to widows, widowers, children and dependent who meet certain requirements. Widows or widowers can receive full benefits at age 65 or reduced benefits at age 60. Disabled widows or widowers can receive benefits at age 50-60, provided their disability began within a specified period. Survivors benefits are payable at any age to widows or widowers who have a child of the deceased worker in their care who is under age 16 or disabled and who is receiving benefits on the workers SS record. Unmarried children under age 18 (or up to age 19 if they are attending elementary or secondary school full time) can receive benefits. A child who became disabled before age 22 can receive benefits at any age as long as he or she remains disabled. Dependent parents may receive benefits at age 62 or older.

the survivor's age and type of benefit, You can get an estimate of the survivors benefits that could be paid to your family by visiting your local SS office, or by calling us toll-free at 1-800-772-1213 and asking for Form SSA-7004 (Request for Personal Earnings and Benefit Estimate Statement). The statement will give you an estimate of survivors benefits, as well as estimates of your retirement and disability benefits. You should receive it within four to six weeks after you complete and return the form to us.

There is a limit to the amount of monthly benefits that can be paid to a family. The limit is generally equal to about 150 to 180 percent of the deceased's benefit rate. If the sum of the benefits payable to family members exceeds this limit, the benefits will be reduced proportionately for each family member.

Can a widow(er) receive retirement benefits in addition to survivors benefits? You can switch to retirement benefits as early as age 62 provided you are eligible and your retirement rate is higher than your widowers rate. In some cases, a widower can begin receiving survivor benefits at a reduced rate and then switch to the retirement benefits at an unreduced rate at age 65. The rules vary depending on your situation. You should talk to a SS representative about the options available to you.

What happens if a surviving spouse remarries?

Generally, a spouse can't get survivors benefits if he or she remarries. But, remarriage after age 60 (50 if disabled) will not prevent benefits on your former spouse's record. And, at age 62 or older, you may get benefits on the record of your new spouse if they are higher.

Look For SS Benefit Statement
For Tax Purposes

In January, Social Security will send you a statement showing the total benefits you received in 1995. The statement is designed to help you determine if you need to pay tax on a portion of your benefits based on your taxable

income. 1995, being claimed on your 1995, tax return. If you have a child born before November 1 who doesn't have a SS number, you should make sure you get one before you file your tax return next year. Remember, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) will not process a return without correct SS numbers for dependents.

If you've changed your name this year (through marriage, divorce, or any other reason) and haven't made sure your new name is listed on your SS card and in SS's records there may be problems posting your earnings to SS Files. (This could reduce your future SS benefits.) Also, the Internal Revenue Service may have problems processing your tax return.

To get a replacement card, you usually need one identifying document. To change the name on your card, you need documentation that shows your old name and your new name. If you were born outside the United States, you generally must show proof of U.S. citizenship or lawful alien status. Your replacement card will have the same number as your old card.

If you're receiving SS benefits and you've moved this year, make sure you have your new address. (Sometimes people who have their checks sent directly to their bank forget to tell us about a change in their mailing address.)

You must notify the post office and SS immediately if you change your mailing address. In fact, failure to report a change of address is the leading cause of checks not arriving one time. Your report should include your claim number, your old address, and the new address, including zip code. Give the names of all family members who should receive benefits or information at the new address.

You should report a new address even if you have direct deposit because important letters from SS are sent to your mailing address, even though your benefits go directly to a bank. Your benefits could be stopped temporarily if SS cannot locate you because you have not reported a change of address.

income.

If you are a married couple with earnings between \$32,000 and \$44,000 or a single person (or married person separated from your spouse) earning between \$25,000 and \$34,000 you include 50 percent of your benefits when figuring your taxable income. For married couples earning over \$44,000 a year or singles earning \$34,000 you include 85 percent of your Social Security benefits in your taxable income.

The SSA-1099 statement you receive includes an IRS Notice 703. You'll

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ITEMS OF INTEREST

POSTAL SERVICE TO OPEN ENTRANCE EXAMINATION

The Rural Carrier Associate examination will be open to the general public January 8 through January 18, 1996, for the Stephenville Area eligibility register. Offices included in the Stephenville AER are Stephenville, Blanket, Bluffdale, Comanche, De Leon, Dublin, Gordon, Gorman, Gustine, Hico, Lipan, Mingus, and Tolar, Texas.

Individuals interested in applying to take the examination may complete one Application/Admission Card, at one of the postal locations listed above.

No applications will be accepted before or after the above dates.

Mrs. E. C. Bramlett will reach her 90th Birthday on January 10, 1996. She will be honored with a reception January 7th at the First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall in Stephenville from 2 to 4 p.m. If you have a fond memory or amusing anecdote about either Mr. and Mrs. Bramlett - Please send it to:

Joyce Bramlett
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CARBON COMMUNITY CENTER

The Fifth Saturday Musical will be at the Carbon Community Center on December 30, 1995. Serving of stew, cornbread and crackers, dessert and drink for \$3.00 will start at 5:30 p.m. and music will begin at 6 p.m. All musicians are invited and urged to be there. Come out and enjoy good food and music and fellowship with friends and neighbors.

NOTICE TO GORMAN BUSINESS FIRMS — If you have not received an information sheet for a brochure of Gorman. Please contact CMS or The Gorman Progress for a copy of the sheet.

Charlie Garrett Memorial Library - Is Open Monday - Wednesday - Thursday and Friday from 3 - 5 p.m. and Tuesdays from 3 to 5:30 p.m. STORYTIME is on Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. for all Preschoolers.

Gorman Oaklawn Cemetery Association is accepting donations for the Care of the Cemetery. If you would like to make a donation in memory of or In Honor of someone, please send to Box 501, Gorman, or Citizens State Bank, Gorman, Texas 76454.

Gorman Primitive Baptist Church has Services Every Sundays. Services begin at 10:30 a.m. Elder Don Washek, Pastor - 1st and 3rd Sundays; Elder Dale Majors - 2nd Sunday - Everyone Welcome To Attend.

NANCY TROUT WILL BE IN GORMAN THE THIRD WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT THE CITY OFFICE TO RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VISIT WILL BE JANUARY 17TH FROM 9 - 12 NOON.

The Order of the Eastern Star holds its regular stated meetings on the first Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. - Gene Grisham, Worthy Matron - 893-6777 and John Grisham, Worthy Patron 893-6777.



CAPITOL COMMENT

U.S. SENATOR
KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON



Flag-Protection Amendment
Will Be Run Up the Pole Again

For 200 years, Americans have been fighting and dying for the ideals our flag represents. I believe our nation's banner occupies a special place in the hearts and minds of Americans. It is a symbol of what we have struggled to create and defend.

So when the Senate failed to get the 67 votes necessary to pass a Constitutional amendment to ban desecration of the American flag on December 12, I was disappointed.

Nearly 80 percent of the American people say they favor such an amendment, and 49 of the 50 states have asked for its approval. This matter is not going to go away.

The honor of our flag is worthy of the spotlight this continuing national debate has cast on it.

Some people make the dead-end argument that if you support a Constitutional amendment to protect the flag, as I do, you are either attempting to undermine free speech or have taken refuge beneath the least sophisticated and most narrow-minded kind of patriotism. I reject such assertions. None of our rights, including our First Amendment rights, are absolute.

To my mind, it is highly appropriate for the people of the United States to take measures to protect their flag from disrespectful or contemptuous treatment. Certain actions so offend the sacred values of others that they deserve sanction — and the desecration of the American flag is one of them. Such "speech," if it is indeed such, is the moral equivalent of drawing a swastika on a synagogue — and performed in the same spirit.

Those who dishonor the flag destroy not only a symbol, but insult the memory of those who have died defending it, and inflict intolerable pain upon their survivors. This is activity on a par with racial taunts, religious intolerance or incitements to violence. Our society has the right to defend what is a symbol of our country. Our society has the right to say, "No more."

Flag burning, itself, is an act of profound intolerance. The flag is an enduring reminder of the noblest notions that form our nation — liberty, justice, loyalty and sacrifice. It is a symbol with which all Americans, regardless of race, language, or creed can identify and in which many find solace. We should not allow this great unifying factor of our national life to be the object of legally sanctioned disrespect or desecration.



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TEXAS FAMILY FORUM LOOKS INTO THE 21ST CENTURY SUPERMARKET AT B.I.G. CONFERENCE

Genetically-altered foods and the latest information on antioxidants and their impact on health top the list of sessions set for the TEXAS FAMILY FORUM to be held in conjunction with the Blackland Income Growth (B.I.G.) Conference on January 17th in Waco.

The 21st century ushers in a world of irradiated foods and genetically-engineered produce. The TEXAS FAMILY FORUM speakers promise a peek into the supermarket of 2001, as well as the latest data in other areas. Dr. Jim Giovannoni, Assistant Professor, Molecular Genetics, Department of Horticultural Sciences of Texas A & M University, will address the "Myths, Misconceptions and Prospects of Genetically Altered Foods".

Concurrent sessions will include: "WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT ANTIOXIDANTS": Dr. Janell Walters, R.D., CFCS Associate Professor, Department of Family & Consumer Sciences, Baylor University. "PRESCRIPTIONS FOR HEALTH": Dr. Carol Rice, Health Education Specialist, Texas Agricul-

tural Extension Service, Texas A & M University.

"ARTHRITIS MANAGEMENT AND TREATMENT": Carey Dalton, Branch Director, Arthritis Foundation, North Texas Chapter, Heart of Texas Branch.

"COTTAGE FOOD INDUSTRY": "WHAT'S LEGAL AND REQUIRED": John Lattimore, Director Training and Evaluation Branch, Manufacturing Food Division, Texas Department of Health.

The Texas Family Forum meets annually as part of the BIG Conference to focus on family concerns. Pre-registration fee is \$10 and is due January 10, 1996. Pre-registration forms with conference program can be requested from the Eastland County Extension Service Office states Janet Thomas, Eastland County Extension Agent. The office is located on the First Floor of the County Courthouse or telephone (817) 629-2222.

Dr. Barry Thompson, Chancellor, Texas A & M University System, will be the keynote at the Conference Luncheon, January 17th speaking on "Texas A&M's Vision of the 21st Century".

The 1996 B.I.G. Conference for farmers and ranchers in the Blackland

Another Chance To Sign Up For Medicare

If you're 65 or over and don't have Part B Medicare coverage, you'll have a chance to sign up the Part B medical insurance coverage during the 1996 annual enrollment period, according to Ken Hargis, Social Security manager in Abilene.

Every year, the government offers a three-month open enrollment period from January 1 to March 31. "This Period is to give you a second chance if you didn't enroll when you were first eligible or you dropped your coverage in the interim," said Hargis. If you enroll during the current sign-up period, your coverage will begin July 1, 1996. For 1996, the cost for Part B coverage is 42.50 per month. Most delayed enrollees pay a 10 percent surcharge for each year they could have been enrolled but weren't.

Part B coverage, also called "medical insurance," helps pay for doctors' care, outpatient hospital visits, and other medical services. People are offered the option of signing up for Part B at the same time they are automatically

enrolled in Medicare's Part A Program. Part A helps pay for inpatient hospital care and certain other services.

People who want to sign up for Part B Medicare coverage should call the Abilene Social Security office or call Social Security's toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213, between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. any business day. "The lines are busiest early in the week and early in the month, so it's best to call at other times," said Hargis.

DID YOU RECEIVE SS AND WORKED IN '95

If you receive Social Security and worked in 1995, you need to report your earnings to Social Security by April 15, 1996. The 1995 limits were \$8,160 for people under 65 and \$11,280 for people 65-69. Remember that you can earn more money in 1995 before your benefits are reduced. If you're under 65, you can earn up to \$8,280 next year with no reduction in benefits. If you're 65 to 69, you can earn up to \$11,520 in 1996 with no reduction. If you're 70 or older there is no limit on your earnings.

will emphasize soil and water management and conservation as well as agricultural diversification. The conference offers commodity programs on cotton, grain, forage, beef, horses and commercial horticulture. Other special sessions feature programs on ostriches, the wildlife management business and horticulture for homeowners.

On January 16th the Texas Ag Forum also joins the B.I.G. and Mid-Tex Farm and Ranch Show, sponsoring a one-day update on the Farm Bill with Congressman Charles Stenholm, USDA representatives and Texas Department of Agriculture Deputy Commissioner Larry Soward.

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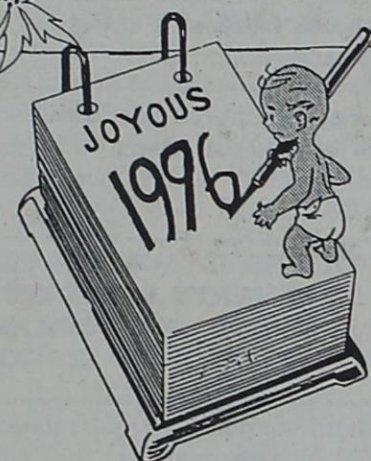
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