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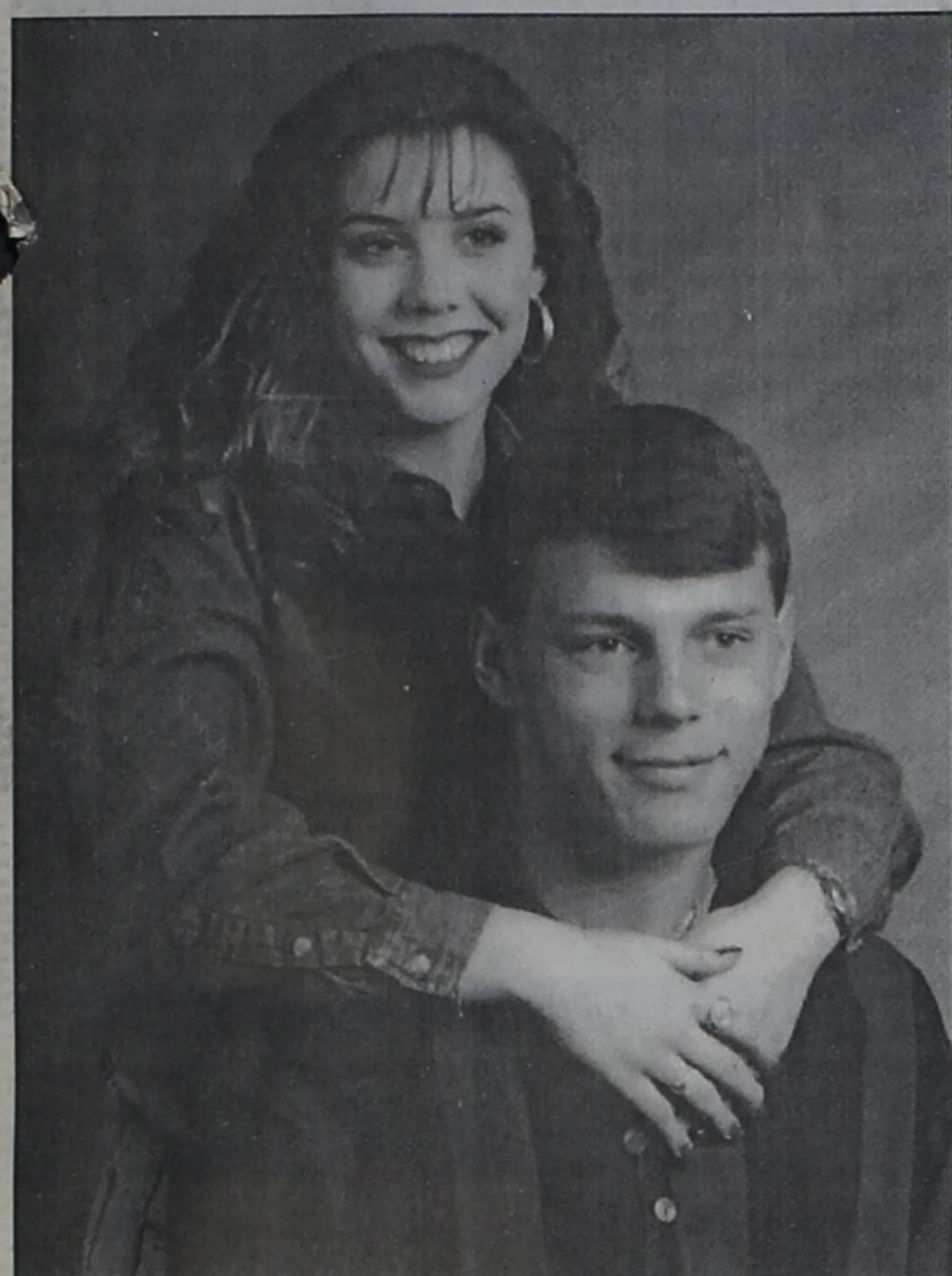
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Bradshaw and Forbus Announce Engagement



Mr. and Mrs. Jack A. Bradshaw of Eastland proudly announce the engagement, and approaching marriage of their daughter, Krystal Gayle Bradshaw to Anthony "Tony" Darrin Forbus. Tony is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Terry W. Sallee of Carbon, Texas. A September 14th wedding is planned at the First Baptist Church, Gorman, Texas.

Charles Rodgers Services Held At 2 p.m. Monday

Charles Ray Rodgers, 53 died Friday evening in Gorman, Texas. Services were held at 2 p.m. Monday in the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Clarence Wilson officiating. Burial was in the Oaklawn Cemetery.

Charles was born Oct. 10, 1942 in Blackwell Hospital, Gorman, Texas and had lived in this area most of his life. He was a member of the Kokomo Baptist Church and later moved his membership to DeLeon Northside Baptist Church. He attended Gorman schools and graduated in 1961. He attended Mechanics Trade School in Fort Worth after graduation. He was an avid fisherman and a past member of The Proctor Lake Bass Club. He won second place in a Bass Contest on April 16, 1972 with a weigh-in of a 5lb. 15.5 oz. bass at Proctor Lake. He attended The Ranger Aviation School, Ranger, Texas in 1984-85 and received his license. He received a Certificate for completing a course in small engine repair from Belsaw Institute in 1995.

His past employment included oil-field work and small engine repair. He

Co MVP In District

There were eight Panther Baseball players named to the District 5-A All-District Teams.

Nicholas Guthery and Ronald Majors were named as Co-MVP's of the District. Both are seniors this year.

Others on the team from Gorman were Tom Bynum, pitcher; Donald Majors, Jason Johnson and Jason Rich, all seniors, who were named AT-Large First Team.

On the AT-Large Second Team were Shannon Mauney, Soph., Kris Carlton, Junior and Sam Richardson, senior.

We congratulate these fine young men who worked real hard this season to get these honors.

was a fork-lift operator for Birdsong Peanut Co.

Survivors include two daughters, Becky Hammon of De Leon and Tammy McClearn of Seminole; his mother, Lavelle Crowley and step-father D.V. Crowley of Kerrville; one brother, Harold Lynn Rodgers of Arlington; two sisters, Patsy Clark of Comfort and Glinda Poe of Colleyville; and seven grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his father, Carbie Ray Rodgers.

Pallbearers were Buddy Eaves, Eddie Hogan, Jay McClearn, Carroll Hogan, Louie Jones, and Billie Earl Jarrett. Honorary pallbearers were Vic Stacy, Jr. Montgomery, Bill Johnson, and Mark Watson.



LITTLE MISS - 1996
Valerie Longoria

Memorial Services Held For Berniece Rodgers

Services were held Sunday afternoon at 2:00 p.m. for Berniece Rodgers. She passed away Friday morning, June 28, at 12:25 a.m. in the Heritage Manor Nursing Home. Burial was in Oaklawn Cemetery.

Berniece was born May 21, 1911 to Johnnie and Mary Timmons in the Kokomo Community in Eastland County. She graduated from Gorman High School and Ranger Junior College.

She married Odis Rodgers in 1934 in Ranger, Tx. She was a member of the Kokomo Baptist Church where she served faithfully. She was a housewife a member of the Kokomo Extension Club and the Kokomo Community Club.

She is survived by one daughter, Joyce Gilbert of Houston, John Rodgers of Carbon, Bob Rodgers of Brownwood and Mike Rodgers of Cisco, 10 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren. Three sisters, Ava Rodgers and Ima Brown of Gorman and Billie Stacy of Carbon.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Odis, and two sisters, Murna Timmons and Eunice Laminack.

Pallbearers were: Joe Bond, Donnie Mauney, Jimmy Little, Woodrow Browning, Jason Rodgers, Steve Gilbert and Glenn Gilbert.

Chamber Board Of Directors Election Results Reported

The results of the election of the Gorman Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors held recently have been announced.

Jeff Seaton was elected for another term on the board and Ann Maxfield and Ron Keller were named as new directors.

Others on the ballot were James Mears, Judy Morris and Zelma Watkins.

Ann served with the board as secretary of the Chamber for many years and did a great service to the community. Ron will be a newcomer and is looking forward to serving on the board.

Our congratulations to these civic minded citizens on being named as Chamber Directors.

CORRECTION

The Little Miss Contestants were:
1st Runner Up - Dezira Murphy
2nd Runner Up - Mariah Hetrick
3rd Runner Up - Audrey Johnston.
We're sorry for any inconvenience it caused anyone.

KEEPING UP WITH FRIENDS

Mary Gottlieb of Stonewall visited from Thursday to Tuesday with her brother Mr. Mrs. Ralph Hudson and attended the Craddock family reunion on Saturday.

Billie Craddock of Sundown is visiting this week with her mother, Modell Crawley, and attended the Craddock family reunion on Saturday.



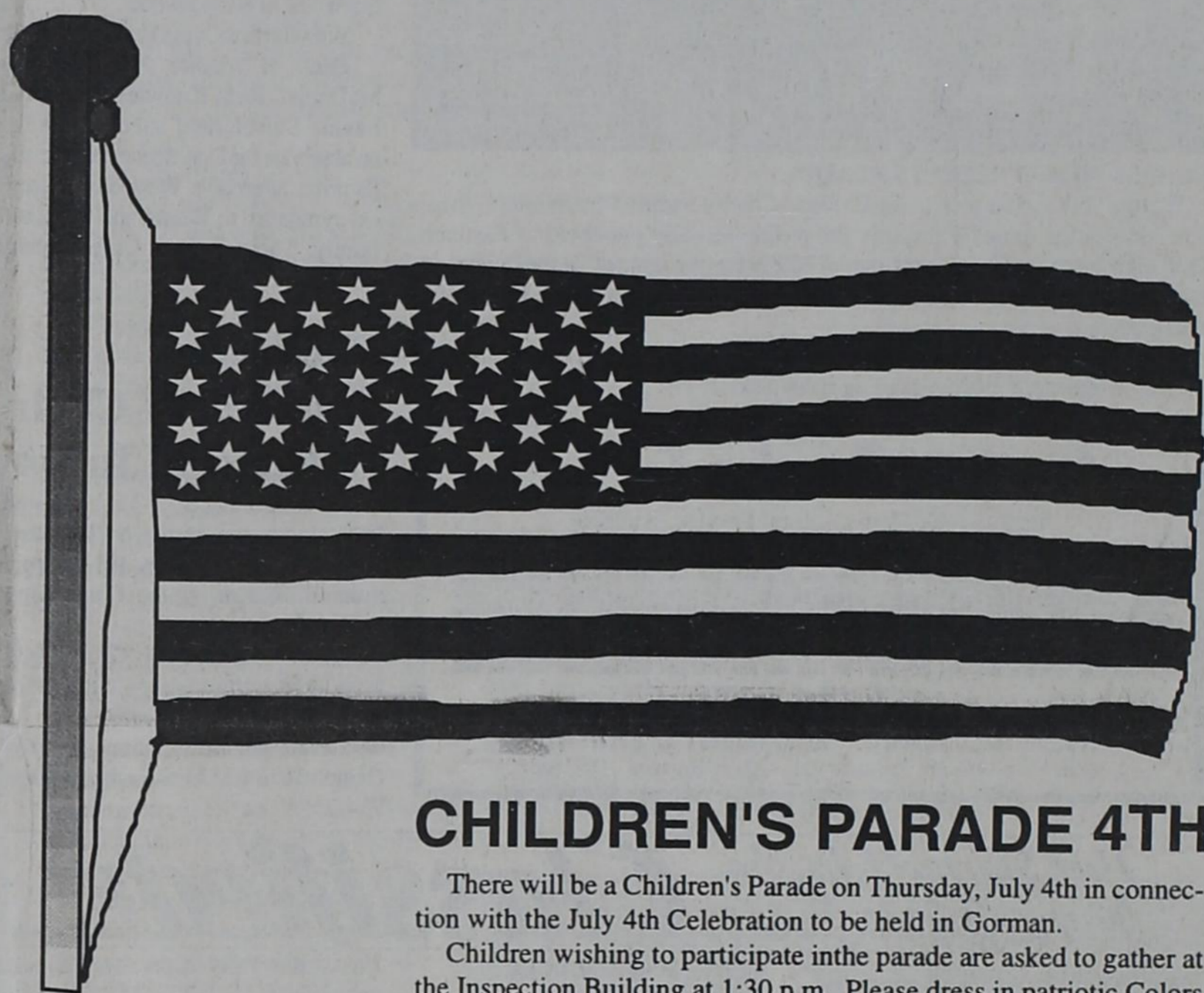
MISS GORMAN - 1995
Allison Treadway

1ST ANNUAL MAINSTREET 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION

Spend the day in the celebration of your country's Independence on Mainstreet and the Mainstreet Park with your family and friends. There will be something for everyone in the family. Games - Food - Music - Homemade Ice Cream "Crank Off" - Face Painting - Surprise - Surprise. Juanita Fuller will be accompanist for the opening ceremony.

Schedule of Events:

- 2:00 p.m. - Children's Parade
- 2:30 p.m. - Opening Ceremony
- 3:00 p.m. - Children's Choir and Games Begins
- 3:30 p.m. - Ice Cream "Crank-Off"
- 4:30 p.m. - Vicky Campbell
- 5:00 p.m. - New Hope Baptist Church Singers
- 6:00 p.m. - Carol Ables
- 7:00 p.m. - Corn Grinders Band from Lipan



CHILDREN'S PARADE 4TH

There will be a Children's Parade on Thursday, July 4th in connection with the July 4th Celebration to be held in Gorman.

Children wishing to participate in the parade are asked to gather at the Inspection Building at 1:30 p.m. Please dress in patriotic colors if possible, but not required.

The full Parade is scheduled to start at 2 p.m.

If you need any other information on the Children's Parade call Karen Guthery at 734-2575 or 734-3388.

Look Who's New It's A Boy For The Anderson's

Anthony and Rebecca Anderson of Lott are the parents of a boy, Toby Allen, born on Tuesday, May 28, 1996, at 10:36 a.m., at Goodall-Witcher Hospital Foundation in Clifton. The baby weighed 7 lbs. 6oz. and measured 21 inches in length.

Grandparents are Wayne and Linda Allen of Clifton, Larry and Tricene Anderson of Clifton, and Gerald and Beth Blakely of Cranfills Gap. Great-grandparents are Charlie B. and Ruth Allen of Meridian, Irville Jones of Meridian, Orville and Ruby Gilbreath of Dublin, and Mozelle Rhymes of Gorman. The baby was welcomed home by a brother, Tyler Wayne.



LITTLE MISS - 1995
Reba Granado

CARD OF THANKS

We would like to express our thanks to the Heritage Manor Nursing Home, and staff, and the Big Country Hospice Nurses for their attentive care to mom.

To Ray Daniels and staff of the Higginbotham funeral home for their support and help.

A special thanks to the Kokomo ladies, and many others in the Community that prepared food for the family. It was so greatly appreciated.

To Woodrow Browning, Juanita Fuller, R.C. Pinion, and the Kokomo Chair for the beautiful music. Mom would have loved it so much.

A special thanks to Bro. Bob Watson and Bro. Clarence Wilson for their comforting words.

We are so grateful to all of you for your prayers, the phone calls, the flowers, and many other things you did for our family.

God Bless You!

The Family of Berniece Rodgers
Neal and Joyce Gilbert
John and La Tonne Rodgers
Bob and Kathy Rodgers
Mike and Cindy Rodgers
Billie Stacy
Ima Brown

NOTE OF THANKS

I would like to say "thank you" to everyone that supported me during the Miss Gorman contest. Everyone was very kind and generous, whether it was buying a chance on groceries or buying a burger, fajita, snack or garage sale items.

I really appreciate each one of you. Also I would like to thank Bob's Grocery for donating sacks and Quickway for donating tissue wraps, the Lions Club for sponsoring me, and every-

Ethel Irene Sutton Services Held Saturday

Ethel Irene Sutton, 69, died Thursday, June 27 at Fort Worth hospital.

Services were at 10 a.m. Saturday in Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Clarence Wilson officiating. Burial was in Gorman Oaklawn Cemetery.

Mrs. Sutton was born in Comanche County and graduated from Gorman High School. She married John E. Sutton in 1947 in San Marcos and graduated from Cisco Junior College in 1965. She worked as a licensed vocational nurse before retiring in 1980 and was a member of First Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, of Gorman; three sons, John Mack Sutton of Round Rock, William Edward Sutton of Gorman and Richard Jeffery Sutton of Llano; one sister, JoAnn Capers White of Gorman; and six grandchildren.

one who donated garage sale items, but most of I want to thank my parents, sister, brother, grandmothers, Aunts and friends for all their hard work and loving support.

Thanks Again
Mindy Laminack

CARD OF THANKS

The Sutton families of Gorman, Llano, and Round Rock would like to express their heartfelt thanks to the relatives and friends of Ethel. The support, food and kindness shown was overwhelming. It is so comforting to know so many loved her as we did.

W.E. Sutton



MISS GORMAN - 1996
Samantha Stephens

HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY - JULY 4

CARBON NEWS

Laurin Poe of Terrell was a visitor at the Baptist Church Sunday, Bro. Jim and Ann Poe were to take her home Monday morning.

Marla, Ande, Andrea and Austan Paulk and a friend Olivia of Imperial and Maxine Morgan returned home Saturday from a two week visit in

Georgia, where they visited Andes parents Ramon and Pat Paulk and then on to the beach in Florida where they had a wonderful time.

The musical at the CCC Saturday evening was well attended and a good time was had by all.

Ruth Knowles was in DeLeon

Sunday to attend the funeral services of her sister-in-law Hazel Knowles. We extend our sympathy to the family.

I lost a wonderful sister, Berniece Rodgers over the weekend. She will be greatly missed. She loved everybody and it showed in her smile and friendliness. We want to thank everyone who had a part in making our grief easier to bear. So many people from here attended the services. I might miss someone if I mentioned names. So I'll just say thanks so much to all of you.

The peanuts are really pretty and growing this hot weather and hay baling is everywhere. It is really a busy time for the farmers and ranchers.

Chad and Sylvia Gosnell are happy to announce the birth of their new son Ty Nolen, who was born June 28th in the Eastland Memorial Hospital. He weighed 6 lbs. 6 oz and was 20 1/4 inches long. He has a big brother Bryce age 4 who is awfully proud of his little brother.

The maternal grandparents are Clyde and Frances Hamilton of Carbon and great grandparents are Hershel and Zelma Williams of Odessa.

The paternal grandparents are Phil and Elaine Gosnell of Eastland and Christine Moorehead of Brownwood.

Great grandparents are Andy Gosnell of the Ft. Worth area and Zephia Norwood of Brownwood.

We send our congratulations to all.

Euell of Jonoise Allison, R Lee McDaniel, Ruth Knowles, Mack and Lavine Stubblefield attended the funeral service for Don Bennett in Eastland Saturday afternoon. We send our deepest sympathy to Elaine and Gina and family. They lived in Carbon many years.



NORMA WEBB PRESENTS PLAQUE

Norma Webb, chairman of the Eastland County Family Community Education Association, proudly displays the plaque recently presented to Eastland Club club members. Eastland County FCE were recognized as the county in District 8 with the largest percentage of membership growth for the 1995-1996 club year.

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Children's Community Choir to sing traditional patriotic songs at the 4th of July Celebration.

For further information call: Joy Campbell 734-2121 or Rachel Watson 734-2906.

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PRESS POINTS
 JOE BENNETT - PUBLISHER

I think most folks are wishing for some more good rain to fall in our area. The farmers have cut and baled a good number of bales of hay and grain since the last shower we received, but the coastal and given crops are needing some rain bad, as is the peanuts that have been planted and are now coming up and growing fast. There are some irrigation now underway and if it didn't rain PDQ there will be more starting their watering programs.

We have gotten a good rain and a couple of scattered showers, but some good general rain is needed. Let's all ask the Good Lord to bless us with some more moisture.

Don't forget the big July 4th Celebration slated in Downtown Gorman on Thursday. A lot of folks have put in a large number of hours on this and we want to express our thanks to them. We urge everyone to turn out for the big event which starts with a Children's Parade at 2 p.m. with events being slated all during the day. There will be lots of activity for both young and old. Be there!!!

We congratulate Jeff Seaton, Ann

Ricky Joe Eason Laid To Rest Thursday

Ricky Joe Eason, 16, of Abilene and formerly of Carbon, died Monday in an Abilene hospital.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel in Gorman with the Rev. G.A. Armstrong officiating. Burial was in Murray Cemetery.

Ricky was born in Eastland and formerly lived in Belton. He was a member of Belton Lighthouse Church.

Survivors include his parents, Belinda Eason of Belton and Charles Eason of Rusk; one brother, Chris Eason of Belton; one sister, Melanie Eason of Belton; his maternal grandmother, Betty Regian of Belton; and his paternal grandmother, Boots Danley of Oklahoma.

A MARVELOUS NEIGHBOR

My sincere appreciation to a marvelous neighbor, Joann Buttler for her loving concern and thoughtfulness when she took me to seek medical attention recently. Her quick response got me to the doctor in time to prevent further medical complications.

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Vera Joiner.

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We urge everyone to be careful during the holiday and be extra careful to look out for the youngsters who will be on our streets because they sometimes are not watching out for us. - J -

The Blaine Gibbs family and the Adora Roberts family moved in new modular homes on the open lots of Blaine's out on the Duster highway. The new homes are looking great and the projects should be completed soon. They sure are going to add a lot to our community.

There are some renovation projects and added construction projects going on also. An addition has been added on the east end for the lunchroom at school for more space. - J -

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DESDEMONA NEWS

VONNIE GUTHERY - PHONE 758-2665

Desdemona Cemetery will soon have a new Historical marker. The request for a marker has been approved by the Texas Historical Commission in Austin. A dedication ceremony will be planned on arrival of the marker. The marker will be placed on a post by the front gate. Our community does appreciate Mary Alice (Brown) Ficklen for all of the "extra work" she has done to obtain this marker. Mary is the secretary-treasurer of the Cemetery Association. Other members on the Cemetery his-

torical committee are Dorothy (Huffman) Greenhaw and Vonnie (Keith) Guthery.

Desdemona Volunteer Fire Department met on Saturday, June 22 at the Fire Station. New officers were elected for the coming year. Those elected were Fire Chief-Joey Wilcoxson; 1st assistant Fire Chief - Coy Clayton; 2nd assistant Fire Chief-Bill Collum; Captain-Virgil Holdman; Fire Marshall-Dwight Dold; Treasurer-Gary Walston; Secretary-Jody Walston; 1st trustee-

Jerry McKillip; 2nd trustee-Jack Ridens; 3rd trustee-Irene Majors. Our community is very proud of this group of men and others who serve on the fire department. They have done a lot of work on the fire station building (formerly school bus barn on east side of the community center) repaired and painted all the fire trucks in "top notch" condition.

Agatha Lee Henriksen of Willmington, North Carolina visited several days with her Mother, Agatha (Genoway)

KOKOMO NEWS

ZELDA JORDAN -- PHONE 639-2289

Our Community has been saddened by the death of a dear friend and neighbor, Berniece Rodgers, early Friday morning, June 28th. She was very active in the Kokomo Baptist Church, the Kokomo Community Club, Kokomo Extension Homemakers Club (now know as the Kokomo FCE Club) and the Kokomo-Simpson Cemetery Association annual meeting as long as her health permitted. Berniece loved her Lord, her family, friends, neighbors and community and showed it by her actions. She will certainly be missed. We extend sincere sympathy to her family.

Her daughter, Joyce Gilbert of Houston and sons, John and La Tonne Rodgers of Carbon, Bob and Kathy Rodgers of Brownwood and Mike and Cindy Rodgers and her sisters Ava Rodgers of Gorman, Billie Stacy of Carbon and Ima Brown of Gorman were there to be with Berniece.

Nance. Other visitors were Don Nance and family of Stephenville.

Efferson BACHMAN of Greenland, Arkansas passed away. Survivors include his wife, Lorene (Short) Bachman and their children Bachman and Short family were former residents of Desemona where they attended school. Efferson was in the Class of 1940.

Ethel (Capers) Sutton, 69, of Gorman was buried on Saturday, June 22 in the Gorman Oaklawn Cemetery. She attended school in Desdemona with her sister, the late Johnnie Mae (Capers) Baze.

Aline (Huffman) Elston, 80, of Stephenville was buried on Wednesday, June 26. she attended school in Desdemona. Our sincere sympathy goes out to these families.

"Happy Birthday" to our nephew, Jr. Guthery in Irving on July 6 from Uncle Pug and Aunt Koone Guthery.

Belinda Webb and Kandice Martin spent the week-end in Waco visiting with Bradley and Sonja Holland.

Ladies Monthly social will be on Monday, July 8th in the home of Lorene Koonce in DeLeon and co-hostesses will be Dorothy Tidwell and Clyde Paul of Desdemona.

Joe Norris of Dallas visited one day last week with Bro. Joe Wortham and Virgil Holdman.

Larry and Melinda Walker and children Selina and Scott spent last week on vacation. They attended "Sea World" in San Antonio and "Wonder World" in San Marcus.

Desdemona Class of 1941 will have a class reunion on Friday, August 9, 1996 at the Holiday Inn (Doc-Bar Room) in Stephenville. Begins at 10:00 A.M. and last all day. Please contact Betty Jane (Clark) Guthery - 1419 Segundo Irving, Texas 75060 if you have plans to attend.

Joyce's husband, Neal Gilbert was on a business trip to Russia and was able to return here in time for the funeral on Sunday.

Burial was in the Oakland Cemetery at Gorman by the side of her dear late husband, Odus, following funeral services at the Higginbotham Funeral Chapel at 2:00 p.m. Sunday, June 30th. A host of friends and relatives attended the funeral services.

We were also saddened to learn of the death of Charles Rodgers on Friday evening. Charles grew up in this area, and had recently returned to the homeplace to make his home. We extend sincere sympathy to his daughters, Becky Hammon of De Leon and Tammy McClearen of Seminole, and their families, his mother and Stepfather, Lavelle and Deb Crowley of Kerrville, his sisters, Patsy Clark of Comfort and Glinda Poe of Colleyville, and a brother, Harold Rodgers of Arlington and their families. The funeral services for Charles was held on Monday at 2:00 p.m. in the Higginbotham Funeral Chapel in Gorman with burial in the Oaklawn Cemetery at Gorman.

If you weren't at the Fifth Sunday night Singing at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday night, June 30, you certainly missed a blessing. What a wonderful time we had singing the wonderful gospel huymns and being blessed by all the special music by the churches represented, First Baptist Church of Gorman, First United Methodist Church of Gorman and the New Hope Baptist Church and the Kokomo Baptist Church. The Sanders Sisters of Eastland also rendered special music.

Following the singing all gathered in the fellowship hall for refreshments and a time of fellowship. . . with one another.

Glenda Priest of Abilene came on Sunday to attend the funeral of Berniece Rodgers, and remained to attend the singing and visit with her mother, Zelda Jordan.

Dwayne, Connie and Lisa Snider of Stephenville had supper with his mother, Hazel Snider on Sunday night.

Billy Strube of DeLeon visited with his brother, Larry and Betty Strube on Sunday afternoon.

May you all have a happy and safe July 4th, as we celebrate the Independence of our Nation. Let us pray for our leaders, and that our nation will return to the Christian principles upon which it was founded.

Desdemona To Celebrate July 4th

We better explain this article before the citizens in Desdemona have heart failure. The following article appeared in the Gorman Progress June 16, 1921. This could possibly be the first beginning of the annual Desdemona Homecoming. Everyone has often wondered when the first one was held - maybe this article is the answer to our question. The article follows as written:

The live little town of Desdemona will stage a big celebration of the Nations' birthday as they are planning to make it the biggest event in the history of the town. The celebration will take on the nature of a Homecoming as well as a fourth of July affair and they are asking each and everyone that worked in the Desdemona area in the days of the "Big Boom" to come back and be with them on this day.

The program will consist of all the usual fourth stunts. There will be a band concert for that day that will last practically all day, there will be public speaking and a lot of "Free" attractions. A rodeo is being planned and they will have all the wild west features to pull at this time. A fast ball team has been secured to play their team a game of baseball on that occasion - the ball game alone ought to be worth the trip to the celebration.

At night on account of the danger of fire, they have had to forego the usual fireworks but instead they have the most novel stunt that has been pulled at any celebration in this part of the State. They will have an aeroplane do "night flying" and in an illuminated plane, the aviator will pull all the usual day flying stunts, such as "looping the loop", "nose dives", "tail spins" and "side slips". He will do the same stunts that Locklear was doing when he went to his death. The plane will be brightly lighted and will furnish a thrilling evenings' entertainment. The Homecoming committee has charge of the program, the entertainment and will do everything in their power to make it a great day for those who attend.

Article was presented for re-print by Vonnie Guthery of Desdemona, who has searched for years for the date of the "first" annual Homecoming. The old newspaper clipping of this was found among items that was saved by Ruth (Wilhite) Craig - thanks to her daughter, Gerry Zummer of Carbon for sharing this article with this reporter. Geraldine Craig Zummer is a former resident of Desdemona and graduated with the Class of 1944.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Owner: Upper Leon River Municipal Water District
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Comanche, Texas 76442

Separate sealed bids for the construction of eight projects as described below will be received by Mr. Gary Lacy, District General Manager, at the General Office located at the Proctor Water Treatment Plant, off FM 2861, near Lake Proctor Dam in Comanche County, Texas at the times and dates listed below and then publicly opened and read aloud. The projects and their bid dates and times are as follows:

- Highway 16 Waterline** - Approximately 80,000 linear feet of 12-inch diameter waterline including associated appurtenances between De Leon and Comanche, Texas, generally within the ROW of State Highway 16.
Bid Time: 10:00 a.m. (Daylight Savings Time), July 30, 1996.
- Water Treatment Plant Improvements** - 4.0 MGD solids contact clarifier, concrete basin, approximately 65 foot diameter with 17 foot side water depth, including earthwork, piping, tie-ins, electrical, controls, site work, and related items and appurtenances at the District's water treatment plant.
Bid Time: 11:00 a.m. (Daylight Savings Time), July 30, 1996.
- FM 2861 Waterline** - Approximately 23,000 linear feet of 12-inch diameter waterline including associated appurtenances along the north side ROW of FM 2861 between State Highway 16 and the ULRMWD water treatment plant in Comanche, Comanche County, Texas.
Bid Time: 10:00 a.m. (Daylight Savings Time), August 1, 1996.
- Transfer Pumps Upgrade** - Improvements including the addition of a 1400 g.p.m. pump associated civil, mechanical, electrical, and associated appurtenances and tie-ins to the existing clear well at the District's treatment plant.
Bid Time 11:00 a.m. (Daylight Savings Time), August 1, 1996.
- Highway 16 Pump Station** - Duplex 100 g.p.m. emergency booster pump station including 48,000 gallon reservoir, associated valves, controls, appurtenances, site work and tie-ins near the Community of Downing, off State Highway 16 in Comanche County, Texas.
Bid Time 12:00 noon (Daylight Savings Time), August 1, 1996.
- FM 2318 Water Line** - Approximately 23,000 linear foot of 8-inch waterline including associated appurtenances generally along the north side row of FM 2318 between State Highway 16 and the Buffalo Springs (Promontory Point) community in Comanche County, Texas.
Bid Time 10:00 a.m. (Daylight Savings Time), August 5, 1996.
- Raw Water Pump Station Improvements** - Addition of a 3300 g.p.m. vertical turbine raw water pump and related modifications to the existing wet well, piping, electrical, and control systems at the District's raw water pump station near Proctor Dam in Comanche County, Texas.
Bid Time 11:00 a.m. (Daylight Savings Time), August 5, 1996.
- County Line Pump Station Improvements** - Small quantities of waterline, two hydrants, concrete pad, meter vaults, flow meter elements, and associated appurtenances a the District's County Line Pump Station located off U. S. Highway 17 / 377 in Comanche County, Texas.
Bid Time 12:00 Noon (Daylight Savings Time), August 5, 1996

The Upper Leon River Municipal Water District's General Office located off FM 2861, near Lake Proctor Dam, Comanche County, Texas.

The office of the Engineer: RMT / Jones and Neuse, Inc.
912 Capitol of Texas Highway South, #200
Austin, Texas 78746

Copies of the Contract Documents may be obtained at the office of the Engineer at the address noted above for a non-refundable fee for each set as follows:

Highway 16 Waterline	\$75.00
Water Treatment Plant Improvements	\$75.00
FM 2861 Waterline	\$30.00
Transfer Pump Upgrade	\$50.00
Highway 16 Pump Station	\$50.00
FM 2318 Waterline	\$30.00
Raw Water Pump Station Improvements	\$75.00
County Line Pump Station Improvements	\$20.00

Checks for the Contract Documents shall be made payable to RMT/ Jones and Neuse, Inc.

A Cashier's Check, Certified Check, or acceptable Bidder's Bond, payable to the Upper Leon River Municipal Water District, in an amount not less than (5) percent of the Bid submitted, must accompany each bid as a guarantee that, if awarded the Contract, the Bidder will, within 10 days from the date when the notice of award is delivered to the Bidder, enter into a contract and execute bonds on the forms provided in the Contract Documents. The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any and all formalities in bidding. The Owner reserves the right to determine which bids are lowest and best, and to award the Contract on the basis. Following the bid opening, submitted bids may not be withdrawn for a period of 60 days.

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Local Students Attend FB Seminar



Attending the Texas Farm Bureau's 33rd annual Citizenship Seminar here June 17-21 were, Sarah Reeves, Janice Glover and Jenny Goode.

Sponsored by the Eastland county Farm Bureau, they were among approximately 400 high school junior and senior students from over 150 counties across the state.

The purpose of the seminar is to provide the student with a better understanding of their American heritage and the capitalistic free enterprise system, according to Carl Stroebel of Cisco, county FB president.

Charles Benton (TFB Field Representative), Ann Leslie (1995 Miss TFB), and Taylor Bledsoe, the 1995 TFB Speech contest winner, presented a

program on "Farm Bureau Youth Activities".

Speakers at this year's seminar and their subjects were as follows: Dr. John Pisciotto of Baylor University, "The Private Enterprise Economy: Foundation of Freedom and Engine of Opportunity", Earl Taylor of the National Center for Constitutional Studies, "The Making of America", and Kurt Swanda, Fort Worth, "America".

The video tape "A More Perfect Union" was shown to the students and there was a special presentation by Dale Minnick, a motivational speaker.

The students were welcomed to the seminar by Dr. James Hindman, president of Angelo State University.

July 4th Event At Stephenville

The Cross Timbers Fine Arts Council, INC. (CTFAC) is proud to announce the biggest event it has ever undertaken - a free concert featuring the Fort Worth Symphony Pops Orchestra, soloists, and chorus performing a Broadway Music medley with a FIREWORKS FINALE! The performance will be located near the state area at the Stephenville City Park. Guests are invited to bring a picnic supper before the concert which begins at 8:30 p.m. Casual attire will complete the picnic atmosphere. According to Chuck Rives, CTFAC's Concert Coordinator, at least 4,000 people are anticipated to attend this family celebration, drawing from Stephenville and the eight counties served by CTFAC. Admission for the concert is free, although reserved table seating will be available for a fee.

Major organizations sponsoring the event are Bruner Motor Co., Dr. Pepper, Nations Bank, Wal-Mart, The Store

atPecan Valley, Norton Corporation, the Office of Student Activities at TSU, Stephenville Empire Tribune, Cross Timbers Trading Post, the City of Stephenville Parks & Recreation Department and the Texas Commission on the Arts.

Did You Know?

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A new vaccine against tuberculosis, made by CEL-SCI, may prove the answer to fighting the rapid resurgence of this dreaded disease, which kills three million people a year.

Use only flat-bottomed pans which make good contact with the heating element on your stove top advise the home economists at Whirlpool Corporation.



4-H FOOD & FUN WORKSHOP

Bring a sack lunch and come on out to the Countywide 4-H Food & Fun Workshop which will be held Thursday, July 11th beginning at 9:30 a.m. in the Olden Community center. 4-Hers will be presenting workshop sessions...that will be fun! You will get to taste new foods, and much more!

Make plans now to attend this workshop. Remember the County 4-H Food Show will be October 5th and Olden 4-H Club will be the host. District 8 4-H Food Show will be Nov. 2. DISTRICT 8 4-H FASHION SHOW

The District 8 4-H Fashion Show will be held in Waco on July 9th Junior/Intermediates attending from our county will be: Lacy Knight - Rising Star 4-H; Steffanie Hernandez - Nimrod; Miriam Nicks - Nimrod; LeAnne Gibson - Rising Star; Candi Ross - Eastland and Courtney Gibson - Rising Star. Attending as judges from our county will be Peggy Nicks and Ronda Ross, along with County Extension Agent Janet Thomas. Good Luck!!

4-H RECORD BOOKS DUE - JULY 15

By turning in a 4-H Record Book it helps make it possible for you to receive awards and scholarships. Now is the time to get that Record Book started. County Record Books are due in the Eastland county Extension Service Office by 4:00 p.m. July 15th. No late books will be accepted!!! Comanche and Eastland Record Books will be judged on July 16th in De Leon. Mark your calendars so you are not late-15th LOCAL 4-HERS QUALIFY FOR STATE HORSE SHOW

Three (3) Eastland County 4-Hers qualified for the 1996 State 4-H Horse Show to be held in late July in Abilene. Kristal Brown and Jessica Norris of the Carbon and 4-H Club and Tessie Ingram of the Cisco 4-H Club all qualified by earning points and placing high in the District Horse Show held July 24th in Belton.

Brown placed 3rd in the Barrel Race Division while Norris placed 6th in the Poles and 8th in the Barrels. Ingram placed 7th in the Poles and 9th in the Barrels.

Other County 4-Hers participating in the District Horse Show included Blair Bailey of Rising Star 4-H club, Jarod Norris and Ashley Tucker of Carbon 4-H club.

Good Luck to Kristal, Jessica and Tessie at State!!!

MTM Ranch Joins Membership Of Angus Assoc.

MTM Ranch, Carbon, Texas, is a new member of the American Angus Association, reports Dick Spader, executive vice president of the national organization with headquarters in St. Joseph, Missouri.

The American Angus Association, with over 29,000 active adult and junior members, is the largest beef cattle registry association in the world. Its computerized records include detailed information on over 12 million registered Angus.

The Association records ancestral information and keeps records of production on individual animals for its members. These permanent records help members select and mate the best animals in their herds to produce high quality, efficient breeding cattle which are then recorded with the American Angus Association. Most of these registered Angus are used by the U.S. farmers and ranchers who raise high quality beef for U.S. consumption.

EXTENSION HOME ECO. STATE TAFCE CONVENTION PRE-REGISTRATION

Eastland County FCE Club members who would like to attend the State TAFCE Convention are reminded that pre-registration is due before July 31st.

Convention and pre-registration information may be secured by contacting the Eastland County Ext. Serv. Office or County Assoc. Chairman, Mrs. Norma Webb of Kokomo. The State Convention will be Sept. 11-13.

EASTLAND COUNTY FCE ASSOCIATION NEWS

The next FCE Association meeting will be July 17th at noon, Jordan Restaurant in Eastland. Business meeting will include election of 1996-97 officers, election of delegates to the State FCE Convention. Make plans to attend this important meeting.

HANDLING PUBLIC TEMPER TANTRUMS

For some parents outing with their children often become a display of embarrassing behavior on the part of a child. Some parents find it difficult to control their child temper tantrums in public. Here are a few suggestions:

- *Be sure you have the child's attention. If this is not possible acknowledge the child's feeling and provide clear directions for expected behavior.
- *Gain control of parental feelings before trying to redirect the child's behavior
- *Help the child control his emotions by giving him time and space. He will be more receptive to directions.
- *When possible, ignore the behavior and reinforce desired behavior through encouragement and recognition.
- *Spanking while it may get the child's attention, can result in feelings of humiliation, belief that "hitting" is ok, embarrassment for him and others.

If parents find themselves repeatedly lashing out at their kids' misbehavior, it may be due to underlying problem. The following are suggestions to help parents deal with these problems and to show the love they really want to convey:

- *Pick him/her up and hold him/her quietly
- *Stand and wait
- *Take the child to his room, carry him to a safe spot and let him work it out.
- *Bring a treat from home to appease the child while shopping in the grocery store.

Talking with other parents also can give parents confidence, and reassure them that are not alone.

Sixth Annual Club Lamb/ Meat Goat Sale

The sixth annual Club Lamb Sale raised \$16,350 to benefit West Texas Rehabilitation Center. Breeders from Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Colorado donated 129 lambs and 39 meat goats for the sale last Saturday night at the Wylie FFA Show Barn. The Meat Goat division was added to the annual sale this year.

The top selling club lamb was donated by Joe Harrell of Indianola, Oklahoma and fetched \$1,000 and all-time high price for a lamb at the Rehab's annual sale. The lamb was purchased by Callie Price of Roscoe. Price also purchased three other lambs during the sale.

Danny Isbell, WTRC coordinator for the event, gave credit for the success of the sale to Club Lamb chairman John Kearney and Russell Kott, both of Sterling City, and to Joe Raff of Colorado City, Meat Goat chairman. Isbell also expressed his appreciation for the help provided by area FFA and 4-H students who assisted with the washing and shearing of the animals for the sale. Isbell added, "As always we want to thank the Wylie High School FFA for allowing us to use their excellent facility for the sale."

John Addison of Lipan, and Dale Sheets of Colorado City, donated their services as auctioneers for the sale.

Club lambs purchased during the sale are eligible for the WTRC Jackpot Show on December 14, 1996.

Avoid using chlorine bleach to clean a cat's litter box. Fumes are created through a chemical reaction between the bleach and residual ammonia remaining in a litter box after it has been emptied.

County 4-H Horse Program Reining Clinic Series

The Eastland County 4-H Horse Program is sponsoring a beginner reining clinic series.

The first clinic is set for Saturday, August 3, 1996, at the Eastland County Livestock Show grounds, located on FM 3101, north of Eastland. The clinic will begin at 8:00 a.m. and will continue all day.

Roger Blackmon from Baird, Texas, will be the instructor. Mr. Blackmon is an accomplished horseman and an expert in reining. He is a retired Texas A&M Extension Agent and helped form some of the top 4-H Horse programs in the state. He also initiated 4-H adult reining clinics which have been held in Abilene to help disseminate reining information to the local level. He also breeds and raises Quarter horses.

The clinics will begin with the basics of horsemanship. Clinics are planned to be held on a monthly basis with increased horsemanship skills progressively added to each session. Knowledge of reining is important in all riding events. Even if riders are not interested in competing in reining events, these clinics will help set a foundation which is important to any rider.

Cost for each clinic will be \$25.00 per family. Registration will take place until July 31, 1996. Entries after July 31, 1996, will be charged \$30.00 per family.

Interested parties should contact Laurna Bacon, 817-442-4081, or Diana Reynolds, 817-629-1873. There is no age limit for participants and you do not have to be a member of the 4-H to enter.

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The Gorman Progress is authorized to make the following political announcement, subject to the action of the General Election - November 5, 1996.

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Heritage Manor News

NANCY HENDRICKS -- REPORTING

Honorees for the June Birthday Party Thursday June 27 were Jack Bellows, Ruby Vandergriff, Edna Richardson and Travis Smith. Sue Ann Tarver entertained.

Gifts were from the First Baptist Church, First Methodist Church, Church of Christ and Heritage Manor.

Those baking the birthday cakes served with lime punch were Wyn-

gene Smith, Pat Byrd, Bertha Gregory and Iris Preston.

Residents were Cynthia Earles, Travis Smith Ruby Vandergriff, Ollie Halcomb, Orlena Perdue, Jess Hallmark, Iola Johnson, Ola Walker, Varona Taylor, Ava Rodgers, Veno Hale, Dorothy Beaty, Effie Mae Brown and S.D. Gilmore.

Guests were Anna Rush, Della

Galloway, Nancy Hendricks, Irene Hallmark, Wynogene Smith, Ina Scitern and Sue Ann Tarver.

Visiting Sylvia Hodges were Bobby Carlton, R.J. Rebecca and Joshua Polosky of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lewis of Cross Plains Glen and Alpha Thiebaud, Sharron Hanks, Carrie Carr, and Diantha Dennis and Rosetta Carlton.

We appreciate the nice magazines Faye Files of Dallas sent by Barbra Tucker.

Visiting Ruby Nowlin were John and Chris Funderburk of De Leon and Ima Lee Burleson of Desdemona.

BERNICE LAVINA RODGERS
We regret the passing away of Bernice Rodgers 85 on Friday June 28th.

Services were on Sunday in Higginbothams Funeral chapel. Rev. Bob Watson and Rev. Clarence Wilson officiated. Burial in Oaklawn Cemetery.

Mrs. Rodgers a native of Eastland County and the widow of Odis Rodgers. They married in 1934. She was a homemaker, a member of the Kokomo Baptist Church and a member of the Kokomo Family Community Education Club.

Survivors are 1 daughter Joyce Gilbert of Houston, 3 sons John Rodgers of Carbon, Bob Rodgers of Brownwood and Mike Rodgers of Cisco. 3 sisters, Ava Rodgers, and Ima Brown of Gorman, Billie Stacy of Carbon, 10 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.

From Friday June 21 - Friday 28.

Some of Ava Rodgers and Bernice Rodgers guests were Joyce Gilbert of Houston, Rodney and Ruthie Spencer of San Antonio, John and La Tonn Rodgers, Billie Stacy, Wanda Bryant, Fay Tucker, Wynelle Brown of Carbon, Bobby and Cathy Rodgers of Brownwood, Mike and Cindy Rodgers of Cisco, Jim and Wilda Rodgers of Midlothian, Betty Sue Heathington, Dave and Lanita Freeman, Ima Brown, Julie and Mallory May, Maxine Huddleston, Shirley Clement, Hope Joiner, Nancy Hendricks, Zelda Jordan, Joy Rogers, Dee Smithy, Annie Fay Foster, Donnie and Nelda Mauney, Floydene Gilbert, Clara Mae Frossard, Louise Brown, Bonnie Croft, Elnora Lindley, Irene West, Era Maupin, Jana Grice, Bro. Clarence Wilson, John LEE and Teresa Gilbert, Anna Laura Clearman, Woodrow and Helen Browning, Juanita Fuller, Kay Snider, Naoma Morrow, Johnnie B. Griffith.

On Wednesday morning those from the First United Methodist Church bringing Chapel were Sue Ann Tarver, Tammye Haile, Carolyn Wilkerson and Caro Boswell. Residents were Orlena Perdue, Ruby Vandergriff, Inez Rogers, Veno Hale, S.D. Gilmore, Cynthia Earles, and Effie Mae Brown.

Visiting S.D. Gilmore were Durwood Webb, Doyle Poyner, Effie Mae Brown, Louise Hollywood, Kristen and Kelsey Menzel, and Dixie Pack Ryon.

On Wednesday afternoon residents enjoyed the movie "Back in the State of Ohio".

Some of Cynthia Earles guests were Sue Price of Azle, Vardie and Fay Huff, David and Denna Halcomb, Eunice Love, Marie Cook of Carbon, Era Maupin, Frankie Jo Shipman, Robert Erwin.

On Friday Ina Scitern had "word game" for Cynthia Earles, Inez Rogers, Varona Taylor, Iris Smith, Orlena Perdue, Ollie Halcomb, Effie Mae Brown, and S.D. Gilmore.

Some of Effie Mae Browns guests were Mary Ficklen of Desdemna, David Campbell, Louise Hollywood, Frankie Jo Shipman, Jill and Kira Hollywood of Eastland.

On Friday Ina Scitern had bingo for Iris Smith, Veno Hale, Cynthia Earles, S.D. Gilmore, Effie Mae Brown, Ora Mae Atchison, Orlena Perdue, Patty Whitehorn, Inez Rogers, Varona Taylor, Ollie Halcomb, and Dorothy Beaty.

Visiting Iola Johnson were Marie Cook, Ina Reynolds of Carbon and Patty Whitehorn.

JACK BELLOWES HONORED ON 86TH BIRTHDAY

Darrell and Pat Graham honored her father Jack Bellows on his 86th birthday party at the Heritage Manor

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Craddock Family Reunion Held Saturday

The 27th annual family reunion of the late W.A. (Alf) and Virgie Hargrove Craddock was held Saturday June 29, in the Desdemona Community Center.

Hosting the event was Estelle and Kay Ann Craddock.

Snacks were available for early arrivals, then everyone enjoyed pictures, old photographs and news paper clippings.

The barbecue noon meal was catered by John Mearns of Bowie. Family members brought favorite salads, desserts and dips.

The young Adults enjoyed games of Volleyball in the Gym. Children bought their own games. While others caught up on family happenings.

Letty Craddock will host the 1997 reunion on May 31, in the Desdemona Community Center.

Those who came were: Mary Gottlieb of Stonewall; family members were: Joe Craddock, Bobby, Regina and Haley Craddock, Bubba and Kay Frances McDaniel and Billie Craddock of Sundown, Amber Craddock, David and Rhonda Craddock and Brian Gastine of Comanche, Barbara Jane and David Brush, and Chad Lester of Gustine,

Mae Atchison, Patty Whitehorn, Iris Smith, Inez Rogers, Ollie Halcomb guests Irene Hallmark.

Some of Skinnie Lewis guests were Eloise Lewis, Glen and Alpha Thiebaud, Ima Lee Burleson, Carrie Carr, Mrs. Pete Hanks, Jim and Karen Burleson, Philip, Donna, Robert and Sarah Lewis.

Visiting Agnes Hoges were Frankie Jo Shipman, Foy Huff, Jessie Woosley, Roy Parker, Nancy Hendricks, Robert and Frances Parker, Ruthie Porter, Irene West, Sherry Thorton, Era Maupin.

On Tuesday Betty Duke and Lauren Ashley of Desdemona brought "Music and Song" for Effie Mae Brown, S.D. Gilmore, Ollie Halcomb, Cynthia Earles, Veno Hale, Mildred Bellows,

KEEPING UP WITH FRIENDS

Visiting with Mrs. Opal Holiday of Gorman and Mrs. Ruth Sanders of De Leon was their granddaughter Melissa Sanders of Odessa. Debbie Sanders and Jason of Odessa came for a visit from Thursday thru Sunday and to return Melissa home. Also visiting during the weekend were Shay and Page Sanders of De Leon.

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Tammie, Brandon and Amber Shipman of Stephenville, Nita, Emily and Ashley Auvenshine of Granbury, Letty Craddock of Ranger, Emmitt and Kay Lynn Lasater, Earl Dean Ragland of Eastland, Brenda and Nathan Tucker of Desdemona, Gary Ragland and Holly of Abilene, Lary Ragland of Andrews, Amy and Audry, Jamie and Kinsey Johnston, Ralph and Mary Margaret Hudson, Ina Scitern, Estelle Craddock of Gorman and Kay Ann Craddock of Plano and Hugh and Barbara Jo Bracken of Bryan.

Ola Walker, Iris Smith, Skinnie Lewis, Iola Johnson and Varona Taylor.

Visiting Iris Smith were Sarah Wright of Mineral Wells, Gala Wright of Stephenville, Shirley Warren of Dallas, Linda Hughes of De Leon., Billie Jo Stewart and Marilyn Warren.

Those coming for the Sing-O-Long on Tuesday were Billie Stacy, Zelda Jordan, Daisy Staton, Anna Rush, Nancy Hendricks, and Nina Joiner. Residents were Cynthia Earles, Ava Rogers, Ruby Vandergriff, Mildred Bellows, Varona Taylor, Patty Whitehorn, Iris Smith, S.D. Gilmore, Effie Mae Brown, Inez Rogers, Ollie Halcomb, Arlene Perdue.

Visiting Jess Hallmark were Verl and Nikki Hallmark, Jim and Vickie Hallmark of Brownwood, Irene Hallmark and Russell Cordell.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

BAKE SALE!! For the Seniors of 1997 - July 5th in front of ZJ's beginning At 4:30 p.m.

The Gorman Pool will be closed on the 4th and 5th of July. Also, the next Swimming Lessons start July 15th. If you are interested call the Pool at 734-2053.

Sipe Springs Community Musical will be held July 6th at 6:30 p.m. Everyone welcome especially all musicians.

REUNION - A 20 year reunion is being planned for the Classes of 1977 - 1982, in celebration of the 1976 State Football Championship. If you would like to help plan this reunion or if you have addresses that would help notify members of these classes, please contact - Deliah Eaves Lewis, Rt. 1 Box 53, Ennis, Texas 75119 or 214-875-4285.

A MEDICAL REPRESENTATIVE will be at Security State Bank - 115 S. Fisher - Gorman, Tx On Friday, August 2nd from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. A representative will be available to answer any questions and concerns you have about Medicare. CMS Health Care will be present to take Blood Pressure from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Gorman Masonic Lodge No. 716 A.F. & A.M. Regular stated meetings are 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Members are urged to attend. Visitors are always welcome. Bill Hagood, Worshipful Master, 734-2724 - Phillip Osborne, Secretary - 734-2807.

CMS, Inc. Health Services - Will hold a Free Blood Pressure Clinic on the Third Wednesday of Each Month at the Senior Citizens Center.

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.

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

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Older Americans Month Highlights Age as Opportunity

This year's Older American's Month theme, "Aging: A Lifetime Opportunity" highlights the expanded horizons growing old may bring. With better health and increasing longevity, many people can look forward to second or even third careers, and a chance to fulfill cherished ambitions. A recent USA Today Gallup poll indicated that 70 percent of baby boomers expect to work after they "retire."

In 1940, an American could expect to spend seven percent of his or her adult life in retirement. Today that figure is 26 percent, and a long retirement has become commonplace. The highest-growing segment of the population are people 85 and above.

Social Security changes over the years generally recognize the increased vitality and longevity of older Americans. For example, the retirement test, the earnings limit designed as a measure of whether a person is actually retired from the workforce, has increased over the years. This means people may earn more while still receiving SS benefits.

Just recently, the limits were increased to \$12,500 a year for 1996 for people 65 and over. Earnings over the limit reduce benefits \$1 for every \$3 in excess earnings. The limits remain at \$8,280 for beneficiaries age 62 but not yet 65; benefits are decreased \$1 for every \$2 in excess earnings.

The increased earnings limits recognize the need for greater income that many working beneficiaries face, and the likelihood that people are to work past age 65.

Another feature that affects older workers is the delayed retirement credit. Benefits are increased each month after age 65 the person delays retirement up to age 70. In 1996, benefits increase 5 percent a year; the figure increases gradually until it reaches 8 percent in 2007.

This means that older people who want to continue working can do so with the knowledge that they are increasing the benefits they can count on as much as 25 percent for those who retire today, and as much as 35 percent for people who retire in 2008.

You should note also that the age at which a person retires with a full benefit is scheduled to gradually increase from 65 to 67 by 2022. This change recognizes that people will be working longer and will be drawing SS longer. The age for early retirement will remain at 62 for those who prefer it.

Gorman Resident Graduates From TSTC at Waco

Kelly Lee Buchanan of Gorman is a spring quarter graduate of Texas State Technical College (TSTC) in Waco.

Buchanan is a graduate of the Instrumentation Technology program. He is the son of Sylvia Buchanan of Stephenville and is a 1986 graduate of Clyde High School.

More than 57,000 graduates of the Texas State Technical College System are working throughout the state and county. For more than 30 years, TSTC has accepted the challenge and responsibility to educate professional technicians for today's work force.

Texas State Technical College at Waco is part of the only state-supported technical college system in Texas. With more than 40 instructional programs in critical and emerging technologies, TSTC is preparing a work force to meet the demands of industries and businesses. For more information, call Texas toll free 1-800-792-8784.

Voice Monitors To Track Parolees

The Texas Department of Criminal Justice parole division has begun using an innovative voice identification tracking system that incorporates pagers, computers and telephones to keep up with parolees.

Initially 100 parolees will be tracked by the Voice Monitoring Program in use in eight Texas cities.

The offender is provided a pager and is required to call the VMP host computer in response to either random calls or scheduled check-in times. The computer confirms the caller's identity through voice verification technology and also determines the offender's location at the time of the incoming call by identifying the telephone number.

"Public safety, new technology and cost effectiveness all come together in this system," Allan Polunsky, chairman of the Texas Board of Criminal Justice, said. "Voice Monitoring gives us 24-hour a day, wide area coverage at nominal cost."

Melinda Bozarth, director of TDCJ's parole division, said the Voice Monitoring system is more flexible than the electronic ankle monitors widely used by parole offices. But it was the success of ankle monitors that led to the use of the voice system and ankle monitors will continue to be used, she said.

Offenders targeted for the new technology are those requiring higher levels of supervision, Bozarth said.

Bozarth said the voice identification system recognizes an offender's voice and will reject a call if made by someone other than the offender.

"If two brothers call in, the computer is not fooled by the similarity of their voices," she said. She said the computer will not accept calls from offenders using cellular phones.

The parole division contracts with Voice Track Corp. of Dallas for the new system. Voice Track provides the pagers and the central host computer and charges 15-cents per transaction.

By comparison, an ankle monitor costs the state \$3.21 per day. There are 700 ankle monitors in use. Tracking by ankle monitor is limited to specifically-wired telephones while the voice tracking monitor can utilize any telephone.

Each offender's parole officer determines the frequency and schedule of a parolee's calls.

Parole offices using the new system are Amarillo, Abilene, Austin Conroe, Dallas, Houston, San Antonio and Tyler.

Annual Snider Reunion Held June 21-23

Annual Snider Runner was held on June 21, 22, and 23 in Cisco Maudie and Bob Isbell home.

Donna and Richard Friday, Billy, Memory Michael Paul, Midland, Tx.; Kenneth, Voncia and Julie Snider and Rose Bud Arizona; Scott Ramsey of Rose Bud Arizona; Maudie Isbell, Bob Isbell, Gary Owens, Michelle Husband of Cisco; Larry Snider of Gorman and Mr. and Mrs. J.E. Snider of Gorman; Diana Snider of Gorman; Bruce, Melissa and Mikayla of Ft. Smith, Arizona; Bobby and Diane Friday of Midland, Tx.; Elizabeth Atnip & Dalton Jewell Friday of Midland; Curtis, Linda, Mandy and Chris Green; Pat River; Neva Green all of Midland, Tx.; Bobby, Peggy, Bobby, Randall Ingram; Debby Vincent, of Houston; Marie Smith of Midland and Dee Culling of Coleman.

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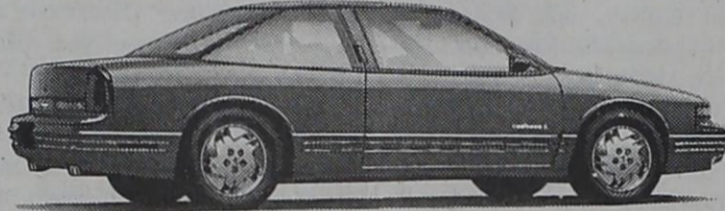
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