

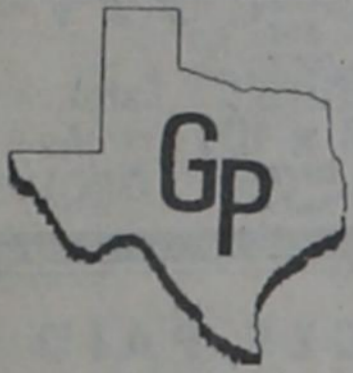
The Gorman Progress

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NEW YEAR GREETINGS



PRESS POINTS
By JOE BENNETT, Publisher

Boy, wasn't it a great Christmas? At least it was for me and my clan, as we sincerely hope it was the same for you and yours. Of course, by the time we had Christmas dinners at Mom's, at Paw-Paw and Granny's, and then at our own home, yours truly has spread out somewhat. Man, what great food. And if there is anything I like better than good food, is great food. Ugh! Oh, well, it only happens once (or so) a year.

We have enjoyed a very good year, thanks to our fine friends and customers, and we are truly thankful for it. We hope that the Good Lord has been as good to you this year, and also that you will have the Best Year Ever in 1975.

Hope that everyone took advantage of seeing the Art Exhibit displayed by local artists during the holidays at the First National Bank. The artists included Joy Rogers, Bimbo Roberts and Eula Lee Mears. There was a lot of good things said about these fine paintings.

Received the following letter the other day. Most times I do not publish this type of correspondence, but I thought that folks in this area, as well as the entire nation is fed up with a certain gentleman, and that maybe it would help to publish the letter.

NUTS TO BUTZ CAMPAIGN
P. O. Box 61544
Houston, Texas 77061

Dear Editor:
We as consumers are upset over the outrageously high prices we are forced to pay for most agricultural products today at the supermarkets in order to feed our families. We know that it is not the farmers, ranchers, or cattlemen who are "ripping us off" when we learn that some of our cattlemen friends are having to sell their beef at auction for prices ranging from 12c a pound to 25c a pound while we are paying in the stores for that same meat anywhere from 99c a pound for hamburger up to \$2.19 a pound for steaks or chops.

We can readily see that it is the "middlemen" between the producers and the consumers who are literally exacting their "pound of flesh" from both groups, buying low and selling with a huge profit mark-up. What is needed, we believe, is citizens action to stir our government officials to correct this deplorable situation by adopting proper policies affecting middlemen profits, feed costs, incentives to produce, imports and exports and marketing procedures.

The farmers and ranchers want to produce and to receive a fair reward for their investment of money and labor just as we consumers want to receive fair value for our hard-earned money when we go to the supermarket, but neither is the case now. The producer is not receiving a just price; nor are we paying just prices when we buy that same meat at retail stores.

It is time for a change and the place to start, we feel, is in the U. S. Department of Agriculture. There needs to be a change made not only in the present Secretary, Earl Butz, but also in the policies of his department which so vitally affect the livelihoods of both

Frossards Sell Dept. Store To The Brent Lasaters



After January 1, 1975, Frossard's Department Store will be known as Lasater's Department Store, as Mr. and Mrs. Frossard have sold the store to the Brent Lasaters.

For the past 22 years Frossard's has been the hub of the business district of Gorman. The store was purchased in 1952 from Mr. A. H. Bibby, and has been successfully operated since that time by Gus his wife, Clara Mae, and daughter, Vicki, assisting when not in school or teaching. Present employees, Mrs. G. O. Boyd, has been with the firm five years prior to the time Gus took over the management, and Mrs. Zena Simpson has been with the firm 18 years, and Floydene Gilbert for a number of years.

Frossard's is recognized as being one of the best stocked first quality merchandise department stores in the area. The piece goods department for years has been known as one of the largest in Eastland County. Gus has always provided first quality merchandise at reasonable prices.

Gus gained his knowledge of merchandise while working for Higginbotham Bros. Dry Goods Department Stores in the wholesale department of their many stores. He managed a department store in Weatherford in 1941 and entered the air force during World War II in 1943, serving in Italy in the radar department. He was discharged in 1946 and opened a new Marshall's Dept. Store in Gilmer as manager. The family remained there until 1952 when they moved to Gorman and purchased the A. H. Bibby store.

Gus, a native of Sulphur, Okla., married the former Clara Mae Underwood, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. I. C. Underwood, a pioneer family of this area. She has not only been his partner in life since 1937 but has also been his partner in business, producer and consumer in this country.

We have initiated a "NUTS TO BUTZ" campaign utilizing bumper strips and letters to government officials to call the attention of our political leaders to sentiment here at the grass roots level. If anyone would like to join in this effort we would be happy to hear from them. We CAN still effect change in this free society of ours, if enough of us express our opinions! Yours for fairness and equity to both producer and consumer.

Bob & Rae Sindermann
6622 Rowan Lane
Houston, Texas 77036

or
NUTS TO BUTZ
P. O. Box 61544
Houston, Texas 77061

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Hope the letter will help in some way to help the very bad situation the farmers and ranchers are in at the present. But remember to smile... cause God loves you!

They have a daughter, Vicki, who is a graduate of Abilene Christian College and is an elementary teacher in the Big Spring Schools. She has assisted at the store whenever possible, while as a student in high school and at summer vacations from college. Gift wrapping was her main department and she mastered the art quite well. It would take a lot of counting to name in number the many gift packages she has wrapped.

Clara Mae was an elementary teacher in the Gorman Schools prior to her marriage. Playing bridge has been Gus's hobby through the years and he plans to continue after retirement. He is recognized as an outstanding bridge player and has many trophies he has won in tournaments while competing with the nation's best. Clara Mae also plays bridge, but thinks she likes fishing better. Both plan to get to the fishing places more often, and naturally, Gus will continue to look after his livestock and will be around to help Brent if he needs him.

The family are members of the Church of Christ. The Frossard's stated they have enjoyed their years in business and would not take anything for the wonderful friendships made and express their thanks to all the people of the area for the loyal support throughout the years. We wish them every happiness in their retirement, but will miss them.

—GP—

Kokomo Comm. Club Enjoys Christmas Party

Members of the Kokomo Home Demonstration Club prepared and served the meal for the Comanche County Electric Cooperative annual Employee and Director's Christmas Party. This was held on December 19 at the Kokomo Community Center. Fifty-three employees, directors and their families were present for the event.

The group enjoyed a well-prepared meal with turkey and dressing, baked ham and all the trimmings, making up the menu. Gifts were exchanged and games played for prizes.

Members of the Kokomo Home Demonstration Club used this as a fund-raising project for their club. Members who helped with the meal were Mmes. Otis Rodgers, Albert Hendricks, Bob Walker, Cullen Rodgers, D. F. Eaves, J. C. Clearman and Miss Nelda Little.

—GP—

Mr. and Mrs. Burl Harper and Jennifer of Mesquite and Doyle Shipman and Martha Franklin of Austin spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lendon Shipman.

New Owners of Frossard's Dept. Store



Brent Lasater, his wife, Linda Jean, and son, Brian, are the new owners of Frossard's Department Store and will assume operation of the store on January 1st.

Brent is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hulon Lasater, natives of Gorman, and Brent was born and reared here. He is a graduate of McMurry College with a BBA degree.

He was married to Linda Jean Ranson of Lamesa in 1964. Following their marriage Brent entered the U. S. Air Force, serving three years in Germany and two in the states, reaching the rank of

Captain. After receiving his discharge he was employed by Southwestern Peanut Growers' Association in the accounting department.

They are looking forward to meeting everyone, old and new friends.

We join the community in welcoming this family into their new business and wish them every success.



IT'S YOUR TURN NOW — Gus Frossard is shown giving Brent Lasater the key to Frossard's Department Store, who will be turning the key to the front door beginning January 1, as the new owner. The store will be known as Lasater's Department Store.

L D Koonce Laid to Rest on Dec. 23

Lorry Danton Koonce, 63, of Lubbock and formerly of Gorman, retired oil field worker, died at 1:15 a. m. Monday, December 23, 1974 in Ballinger after an apparent heart attack.

Funeral services were held at 10 a. m. Tuesday at Higginbotham Funeral Chapel with the Rev. Bob Cope, pastor of First United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial was in Weaver Cemetery.

Born April 8, 1911 in Comanche County, Mr. Koonce had lived in Lubbock 11 years.

Survivors include five brothers, Hoyt of Fort Worth, Ted of Sundown Joe of De Leon, Carroll of Stephenville and Tom of Ranger; two sisters, Mrs. Otis Wright of Gorman and Mrs. John Arnold of DeLeon; and several nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers were James Wright, J. W. Koonce, Edgar Higginbottom, Billy Fred Jeffs and Arnold Butler.

—GP—
Mr. and Mrs. Delmer Shugart and family of Granbury spent several days during the holidays in Gorman with relatives and friends.

Kokomo Hosts Co-op Christmas Party December 19

The Kokomo Community Club met for a regular monthly meeting and Christmas Party December 16 in the Community Center. Glenn Jordan called the meeting to order and Rev. Bob Watson voiced the opening prayer.

The club voted to make a community book and enter the Texas Improvement Program again this year. Mrs. J. L. Morrow will be in charge of the book and will appreciate and help given.

Plans were made to finish the cabinets and serving bar that were built last year. These will be enjoyed by the ladies in serving meals at the Community Center.

The meeting was adjourned and everyone gathered around the piano where Albert Hendricks was playing Christmas Carols. Refreshments were served and members bagged fruit to be used at the Kokomo Baptist Church Christmas tree. Other members decorated a Christmas tree to be used on Thursday night when the Kokomo HD Club catered a Christmas Dinner for the Comanche County Electric Cooperative.

Merry Christmas everyone and a Happy New Year from the Kokomo Community Club.



Joyous New Year

Extending our sincere wish to you for the very best all year.



ICY CHRISTMAS — A frosty drizzle Wednesday night blanketed the area Thursday with a beautiful coat of crystal magic in the form of ice. Weight of the ice damaged tree limbs, telephone and electric lines. By late evening the temperature was 32 degrees but the fine drizzle began to melt the ice from trees, shrubs and lines. Streets remained free of ice through the day and no traffic accidents were reported.

FINAL RITES FOR MRS. MACON IN DE LEON

Mrs. L. C. (Doc) Macon, 84, of De Leon, died at 12:40 a. m. Saturday, December 21, 1974 in Blackwell Hospital.

Funeral services were held at 10 a. m. Monday in First Baptist Church in De Leon with the Rev. Donald Smith, a Baptist missionary, officiat-

ing, assisted by the Rev. Richard Garrett, pastor of Northside Baptist Church. Burial was in De Leon Cemetery under the direction of Newlin Funeral Home.

Born April 26, 1890, in Pontotoc, Miss., she had lived in De Leon 50 years. She married Doc Macon Dec. 21, 1913. He died in 1957. She was a member of the First Baptist Church.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

The business firms of Gorman will be closed Wednesday, January 1, 1975 in observance of New Year's Day.

The City Commission will meet Thursday, January 9th at 7 p. m.

The Gorman Fire Department will meet Monday, January 6th.

The Gorman Lions Club will meet at noon Tuesday, January 7th in the Band Hall.

Rev. Lee Greer of Aberdeen South Dakota, will show slides of his mission and his missionary work in South Dakota at the Kokomo Baptist Church at 7 p. m. Tuesday, December 31st. Everyone is invited to attend.

Survivors include three daughters, Mrs. LaJoyce Douglas of Dallas, Mrs. LaVeda Clark of Kenedy and Mrs. Doris Clark of De Leon; a sister, Mrs. Dee Allison of Amarillo; a brother, Frank Jernigan of West Lake, La.; 10 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Desdemona News

By HATTIE TATE

What do we mean by pruning? The gardener prunes during the rest period. If we follow the gardeners' rule we will do our pruning before the drouth.

We all know that everything has gone up. So it seems Old Santa Claus didn't want to be left out, so he perched his self atop the antenna at Jesse and Bethel Clarks home. He is taking a birds-eye view of the surrounding territory. Merry Christmas Santa, and a Happy New Year, too!

Tuesday afternoon this writer was honored by having the GA girls and their sponsor, Mrs. Fred Watkins, visit with her. They sang carols and Tracy Dossey read the Christmas Story from the Bible and they presented me as a gift a large basket of fruit. After the closing prayer they returned to the church and then home.

The Homemakers SS Class met in Fellowship Hall at the First Baptist Church Tuesday night for their Christmas social. The program was the showing of "movies" made at Christmas in 1959 by Wayne Barker. All departments of Sunday School and other activities of the church were shown. Some fifteen persons,

including husbands, enjoyed refreshments after the program. Buel Bryan was pastor at the time the movies were made.

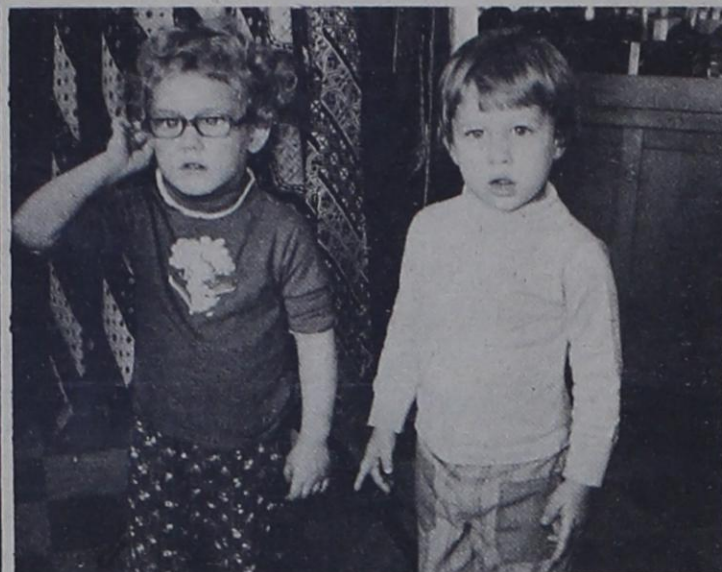
Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Foote of San Antonio visited with Mrs. Thelma Foote from Sunday until Wednesday.

The mothers and dads and friends all enjoyed the Christmas program and tree and refreshments Wednesday night with all the children. We wonder how many toys are still all in one piece this morning?

The bug has been flying around lately and several have been down and out by its being in our midst. Jack Frost should give it a chill.

Mrs. Mary Dietz entertained her friends Thursday afternoon with a tea social. Her house was beautiful throughout with Christmas decorations. So many created by her own hands. Mrs. Annie Colium made pictures and delicious cranberry punch, coffee or spiced tea were served with dainties. Those attending were Mmes. Reid, Gee, Echols, Ragland, Tate, Foote, Colium, Davis, Heeter, Cook, Koonce, Greenhaw, Buckley, Guthery, Webb, Cook, Ables, Joiner, Coate, and hostess, Mary Dietz.

A good time for sharing greetings and this is the time of year for this. All troubles were laid aside Thursday evening as the First Methodist Church was the scene of much activity and a "Pot Luck"



LOOKING FOR SANTA CLAUS — Amy Rainey, left, young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Rainey of Gorman, and Jeffery Wright of Big Spring, son of Mr. and Mrs. Terry Wright, browse in Frossard's Department Store on Christmas Eve while their parents did last minute shopping. Amy and Terry are grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Welch and Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Wright of Gorman.

KARAN KIRK CHOSEN FOR FINANCIAL INTERN NAT'L BANK EXAMINERS

Karan Kirk, Junior student at Texas A&M University, who is majoring in Agri-Business, has been one of 40 students chosen for Financial Intern work-study co-op for the Supper was enjoyed by Bro. Cope, pastor, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Hall and Teddy, Mrs. John Arnold, Mrs. Alta Parks, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Della Ryon, Mr. and Mrs. James Ryon and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Waller, Mrs. Chester Ervin, and Mrs. Hattie Tate.

National Bank Examiners.

Karan will spend one week in Dallas and will be transferred to Midland where she will work for six months and will then return to Texas A&M for six months of study.

It is a very high honor to be chosen for this co-op work course and when Karan is finished she will be a certified bank examiner and accountant.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Kirk of Gorman.

A REMINDER

No Texas Store License will be required after December 31, 1974. This law was repealed by Acts of the 1971, 62nd Texas Legislature.

Comptroller of Public Accounts - Austin, Texas
Carlton R. Bell,
Dist Supervisor,
Abilene District Office
—GP—

Vicki Frossard of Big Spring is spending the Christmas school holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Frossard.

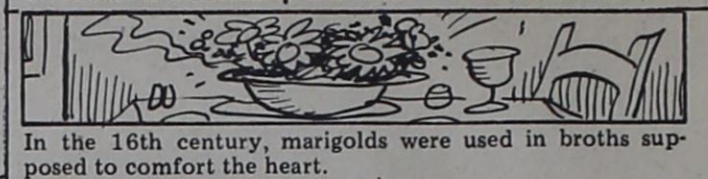
Mr. and Mrs. Terry Wright and family of Big Spring spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Welch and Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Wright.

Bill Miears of Huntsville spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Miears.

Mearlene Boykin spent the Christmas holidays in Dallas with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Lynn Clark, Cathy and Robby of Comfort, spent Christmas Day with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Rodgers and D. R. Clark, Terry Clark, and Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Clark.

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Our office days in the Gorman Exchange will be changed from the 1st through the 10th to the 6th through the 15th of each month.

We are sorry for this inconvenience, but this change in billing is beyond our control.

Sincerely,
Don Weehunt
General Manager

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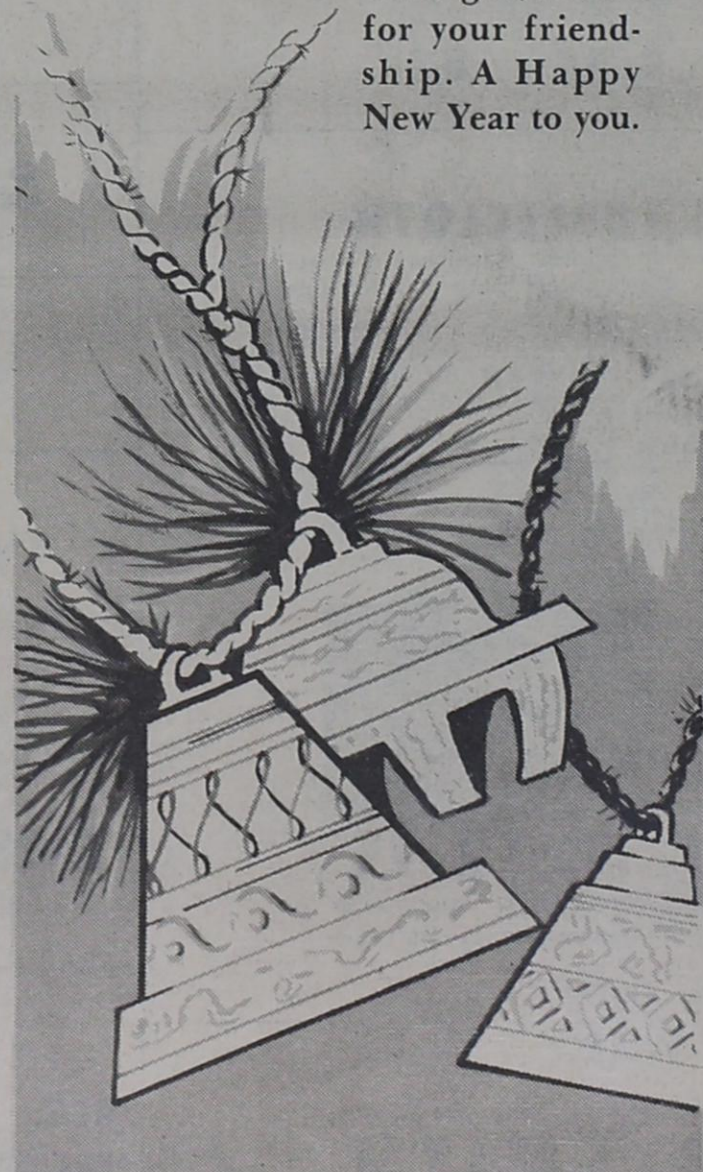


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| 108" x 115" Flat or King Fit | 8.99 |
| 42" x 36" Standard Cases Pr. | 2.99 |
| 42" x 46" King Size Cases Pr. | 3.99 |

Foxcroft - Garza Permanent Press **CLASSIC WHITE SHEETS**
Polyester - Cotton Blend

| | |
|-------------------------------|--------|
| 72" x 104" Flat or Twin Fit | \$2.66 |
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| 90" x 115" Flat or Queen Fit | 5.88 |
| 108" x 115" Flat or King Fit | 7.88 |
| 42" x 36" Standard Cases Pr. | 2.22 |
| 42" x 46" King Size Cases Pr. | 2.88 |



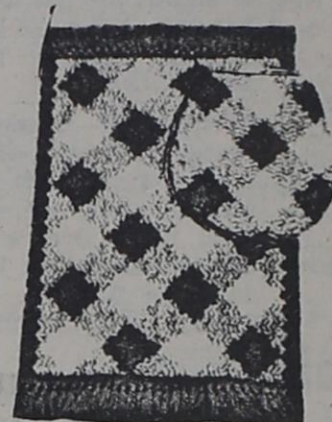
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MATTRESS PAD & COVER
POLYESTER FILLED-SHRINK RESISTANT

Fast drying Polypropylene outer cover with bonded polyester fill combines to make your sleep restful in full comfort. Machine wash, warm, tumble dry. All edges bound for strength, double stitched for longer wear. Flat styles with elastic anchor bands. Fitted styles have nylon tricot skirt that hugs mattress.

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| FLAT-ANCHOR BAND STYLE | FITTED-ELASTICIZED SKIRT STYLE |
|------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 39" x 76" Twin | 4.44 |
| 54" x 76" Full | 5.44 |
| 60" x 80" King | 7.88 |
| 78" x 80" King | 8.88 |
| Twin Fit | 5.44 |
| Full Fit | 6.44 |
| Queen Fit | 8.88 |
| King Fit | 10.88 |

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Two piece bath set of 100% dacron polyester in two-tone color and white "gingham look" - cut n' loop, rectangular rug with fringed ends and waffle non-skid backing. New shades of Avocado, Topaz, Brown, Raspberry and Blue to enhance your bathroom decor.

SPECIAL PRICE

3.99 SET



VELOUR PRINTS ON BRILLIANT GROUNDS

DISH TOWEL

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DISH CLOTH

69¢

POT HOLDER

69¢



JACQUARD TERRY TOWEL ENSEMBLES

Reversible conventional Terry Jacquard weaves in new decorator colors to brighten your bath. Luxury towels at White Sale prices.

BATH TOWEL 229 HAND TOWEL 169

WASH CLOTH 99¢

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Just right for perfect sleeping comfort. 100 percent Polyester Filled. Permanent Press Zipper cover comes off in a jiffy for washing with a smooth Never Iron finish. A size for every need.

Standard 21" x 27"

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Hand crafted style in a shimmering array of colors. Matched in pairs.

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Values To \$2.98 - Now **\$1.49 Yd.**

WINTER FABRICS

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SPUNWELL VINYL MATTRESS COVER

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Plush Cotton Terry, Sheared to velvety softness on one side, Looped for drying power on the other. Handsome Solids, Vivid Stripes, Colorful prints, Great looking Plaids and beautiful woven Floran Jacquard. Many Colors.

Bath Towel **2.44** Hand Towel **1.44** Wash Cloth **88¢**

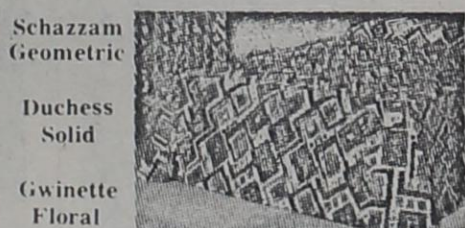


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Swiss "Applique" embroidery reproduced in Care-Free 100 percent Vinyl. Lace Beauty at Affordable prices. Compare!

52" x 52" 60" x 90" **2.66 4.66**
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Pretty up your bedroom with solid color beauty's or printed patterns in a delicate floral or bold geometric. Fully quilted to the floor styling. Acetate Taffeta over bonded Polyester Fiberfill.

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BLANKETS

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ALL HANES & BEAUTY HOSE
1/4 OFF

MEN'S DRESS & WESTERN

WINTER HATS
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MEN'S

WINTER COATS
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BLOUSES & PANTS
1/4 OFF

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DRESS SHOES & BAGS
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MEN' & BOY'S

FALL SHIRTS

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|---------|---------|------|------|
| \$16.00 | \$10.98 | 6.98 | 4.89 |
| 12.00 | 8.89 | 5.98 | 4.49 |
| 9.98 | 6.89 | 4.98 | 3.79 |
| 8.98 | 6.49 | 3.98 | 2.50 |
| 7.98 | 5.59 | 2.98 | 2.29 |

MEN'S FALL SUITS and SPORT COATS
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NEW YEAR GREETINGS

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A GREAT 1975**

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HERE'S TO A
**Great, Big, Wonderful
NEW YEAR**

**May Your Fondest
Wishes All Come True**

May new horizons open, new joys come into your life . . . new hopes and opportunities shine for you during the year ahead. Also may your older dreams . . . your special cherished wishes move closer to fulfillment. So that you have all good things — past, present and future — in one big happy year! Thanks for your kind friendship!



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YOUR CAR**
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DRIVING FOR ECONOMY

Like almost everything else, gasoline and petroleum products are more expensive today than they used to be. Real savings can be achieved by knowing a few basic things about how to drive and maintain your car for maximum economy and efficiency.

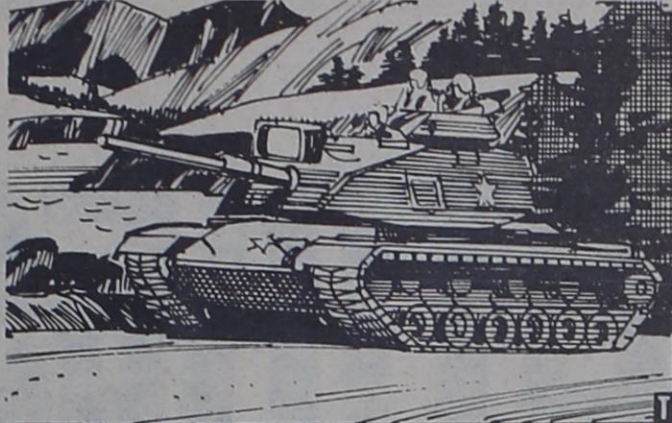
For example, fuel economy possibilities start the minute the engine is started. Don't let



the car idle until it warms up; instead gently drive away after it has run no more than a minute. Idling takes minutes of gas-wasting. If the engine burns gas for 10 minutes every winter morning that's roughly 50 minutes per week and, depending on car and idle speed, the gasoline wasted this way could fuel a trip of up to 400 miles. Another tip from Gulf Consumer Information concerns reducing the weight of the car. Fuel economy amounts to about .2 miles per gallon for every 100 lbs. of weight loss. In other words, a bag of traction sand or assorted other odds and ends could total anywhere from 200-500 lbs. If this weight were removed, mileage would be increased by about one mile per gallon. It may sound insignificant, but in the course of a year — based on 1,100 gallons used per household — that could provide enough additional gasoline for a trip from New York to Florida.

More information on ways to conserve gasoline is available from Gulf Consumer Information; covering everything from trip planning to tests and tune-ups. Write for your free copy of "Car Care Today" P. O. Box 1403-J, Houston, Texas 77001.

TAKE A DRIVE THIS WEEKEND.



Put some excitement into one weekend a month. Join the Army Reserve.

**THE ARMY RESERVE.
IT PAYS TO GO TO MEETINGS.**

**School Hill
News**

By Mrs. Bill Riddell

Connie and Melani Armstrong of Highland are spending a couple of weeks with her parents, J. C. and Patsy Moon and family. Connie has had to go to bed for awhile. Hope you'll soon be feeling better, Connie.

Eddy said all time he could get a deer had it not been the guns fault, but since he's had the fancy new one he has another excuse, and Lynette isn't any help. She just sits around counting her invitations. She has joined the Elite. (The Elite of School Hill, that is).

Renia Hogg visited Friday in Stephenville with Jo Vaughn Hogg and family.

Visitors with us this week were Ed Stafford of Dublin, Rodger Elston of Lingleville, Tommy and Jane Musick of Purves, Gene, Jeane and Nicole Grimschaw of Kokomo, Ricky, Lexie and Renia Hogg Uncle Charlie Willoughby of Dublin, Patsy, Tammy and Becky Moon,

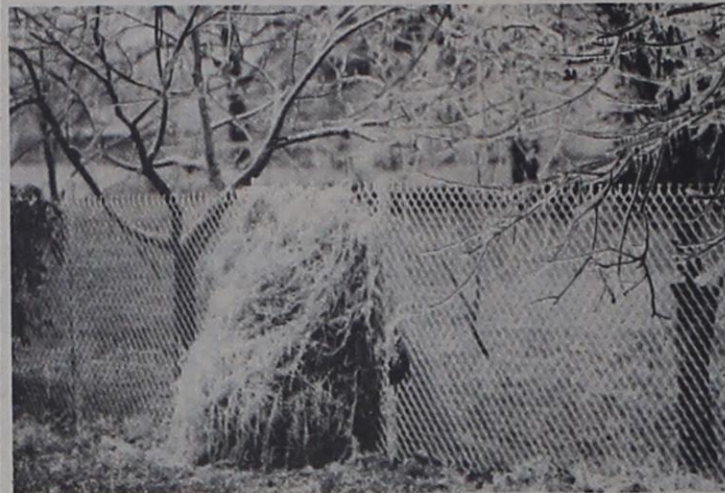
Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Ray Wilson of Houston and the Wilson children of Dublin visited on Sunday with Renia Hogg.

Danny Huffman spent a few days this week with Eddy Ray Huffman and family of Stephenville.

I told William the other day that my face is my fortune. He said he thought so too. It runs into a big figure.



In the Philippines, it's believed that a fisherman who chews ginger and spits on his bait will be inundated with catfish.



BEAUTY OF CRYSTAL — Ice crystals covered the trees, shrubs and fence at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Pre-witt forming a scene of beauty only God could make. "Nature is the living visible garment of God." — Milton



NATURAL TREE DECORATIONS — Trees were decorated by mother louse Thursday with a huge coating of ice and crystal icicles forming a winter wonderland.

...time to say

Thank you again and a very happy and prosperous new year to you.

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Greetings

Let the New Year Bring only Happy Times and Seasons of Peace and Prosperity.

**GORMAN
GULF STATION**

We are taking this opportunity to express deep appreciation to you, our valued friends and customers... Happy New Year!

happy new year

FOSTER FLORAL
Mr. and Mrs. Gene Foster
Phone 734-5519 GORMAN

ANNOUNCING

We have sold our Department Store to Mr. and Mrs. Brent Lasater, a local energetic citizen, who needs no introduction to the people of this area, as he was born and reared here.

The transaction will be effective as of January 1, 1975. All December accounts payable to Frossards may be paid at Lasater's Department Store.

Mr. and Mrs. Lasater need, deserve and will appreciate your support as new owners.

Thank You

It gives us pride and joy to review back over the past twenty-two years and remember the many good and friendly people we have served in Gorman and the surrounding communities.

It is with humble appreciation we say "Thank You" for the wonderful business and friendship you have afforded us these many years.

It has been a pleasure and a privilege to serve you.

Sincerely,
Gus, Clara Mae and Vicki Frossard

ANNOUNCING

In purchasing the Frossard's Department Store from Mr. and Mrs. Gus Frossard, we shall endeavor in every way possible to continue to serve the people of this area with the fine quality of merchandise that you have been accustomed to for these many years.

We will retain the same personnel of Mrs. G. O. Boyd, Mrs. Zena Simpson, Floydene Gilbert and my father, Hulon Lasater, will also be joining our staff of employees.

We sincerely solicit your friendship and patronage.

Sincerely,
Mr. and Mrs. Brent Lasater and Brian

**LASATER'S
DEPARTMENT STORE**
GORMAN, TEXAS 76454

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HAPPY NEW YEAR

Our grateful thoughts are extended with sincere wishes for the New Year

Fred and Joy Rogers



HAPPY



NEW



YEAR

Glad greetings for a Happy New Year.

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De Leon, Texas

GORMAN GROUP RECEIVE MEDICAL TECHNICIAN CERTIFICATES

Mrs. Bill True, Becky Tate and Kim Cockerham have received Emergency Technician Certificates from Ranger Jun-

ior College. The certificates were presented December 18th following a course of study that began on October 18th.

FOR SALE — Pendaflex Hanging File Folders. Gorman

News

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Earl Simpson and family of Rush Springs, Okla. are visiting this week with their parents, Mrs. Zena Simpson and Mrs. L. F. Kellogg.

Mrs. Wade Craddock of the Cheaney Community spent the weekend in Irving with Mrs. Melva Moore and family and on Sunday with friends in Grand Prairie.

Mrs. Ruby Bennett had all her children and grandchildren home for a Christmas dinner on Saturday, Dec. 21st with the exception of one grandson, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bennett of Dallas. Those present for the happy occasion were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bennett, Gary, Mike and Mark of Cleburne, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bennett and Debra, Weatherford, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bennett, Lonnie and Joetta of Gorman, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Bennett of Eastland, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bennett of Stephenville, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lynn Bennett and Terry Lynn of Gardendale and Mrs. Velma Bennett of Gorman.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Davis of Austin were holiday visitors with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Whitt.

Old-Time Gospel Meeting Jan. 2-4

In De Leon
Old-Time Gospel preaching will highlight a Bible conference to be held at the De Leon City Hall, January 2-4.

Three preachers from the Houston area, Jack Wood, Charles Kimbell, and Jack Kirtley, will take part in the services. These men, joined by local pastors, will provide gospel preaching for all the services.

Bubba Key, also from the Houston area, will serve as song leader during the conference. Special music will be provided by the Calvary Singers from Mesquite.

The first service will be held January 2 at 8 p. m. Services for the final two days are scheduled at 10 a. m., 2 p. m., and 7 p. m. All services are open to the public.

GORMAN PROGRESS, Eastland Co., Texas, JAN. 2, 1975

Dorothy Hatcher spent the pre-Christmas holidays in Whitesboro with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brown, and the Browns are visiting this week in Gorman.

Kay Ann Craddock is home for a two week visit with her mother, Estelle Craddock. Mr. and Mrs. George Scott of Duster visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Nath Files.

CHEER



We hope the year ahead is a good one for you. It is with deep appreciation that we say Happy New Year.

BLACKWELL CLINIC

A. E. PINO, M.D. — J. R. CANUT, M.D.

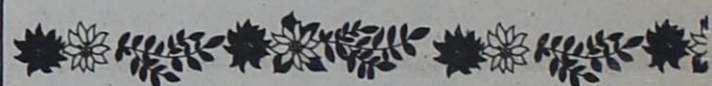


Our special wish for your special happiness all of the coming year.



GORMAN PEANUT CO.

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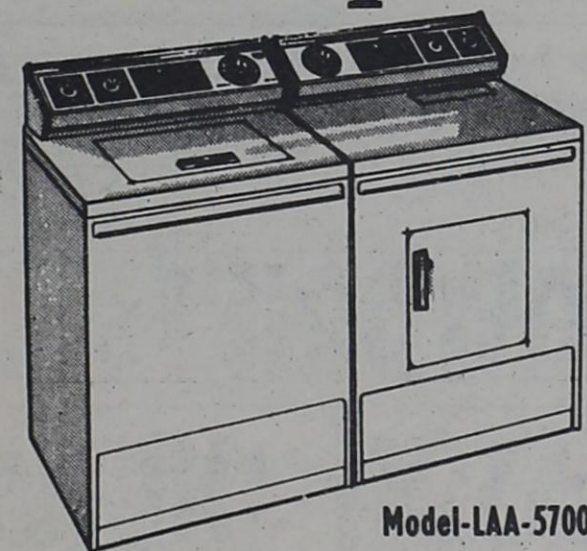


AFTER CHRISTMAS



CLEARANCE

Whirlpool WASHER



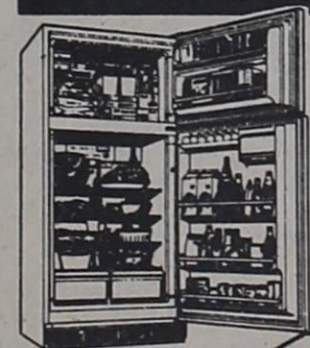
Model-LAA-5700

* WHITE * AVOCADO * HARVEST GOLD

- LAA-5700 ADDS THESE FEATURES
- * 2 Wash and 2 Spin speeds, Super Surgilator Agitator, Pump guard to trap foreign objects.
- * Heavy duty 1/2 hp motor, 4 Cycle selections, including Knit, Permanent press, Gentle and normal. Porcelain-enameled top, lid and tub.

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Whirlpool 15.2 CU. FT. REFRIGERATOR-FREEZER



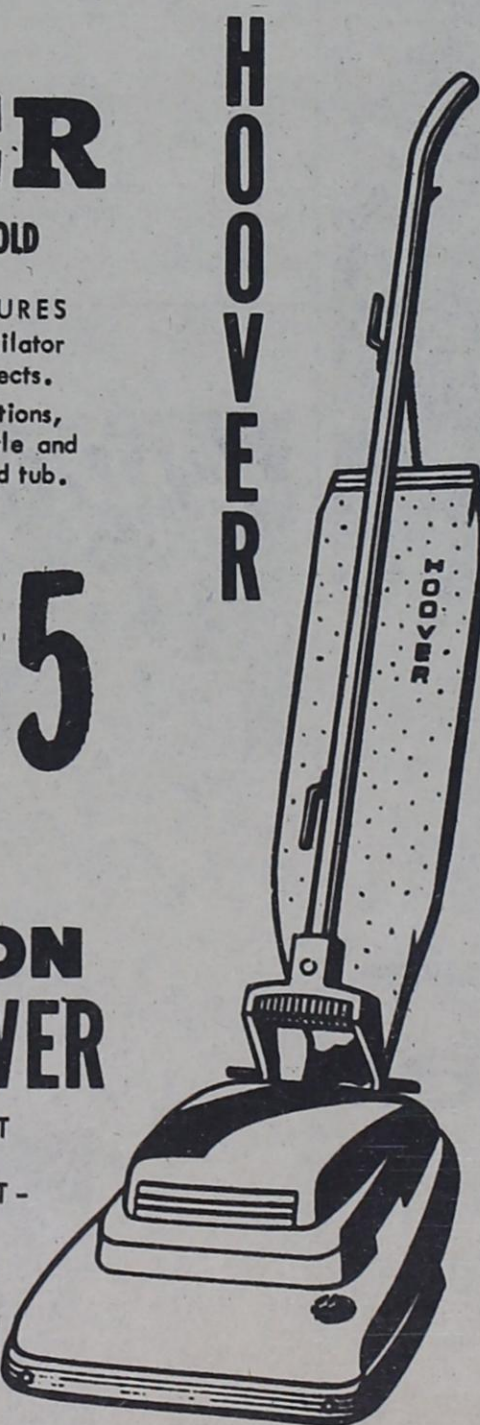
- Top-quality, budget priced
- 10.91 cu. ft. fresh food storage with a 4.25 cu. ft. freezer on top • No-Frost system ends defrosting chores • Handy, slide-out refrigerator shelf • Convenient ice tray storage rack • Twin, slide-out crispers • Temperature control console • Automatic interior lighting • Super-storage door • Built-in butter keeper and egg storage • Porcelain-enameled interior.

Model EAT151T
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Terms available

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a bright new year!

Our opportunity to wish you new year cheer and to thank you for your patronage the past year.

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QUALITY & SERVICE

GORMAN, TEXAS



We Cross Into the New Year with Hope and Optimism, with 'Thanks' to Friends and Neighbors For Letting Us Share in the Good Life of this Community. We Wish to One and All The Best of Health and Happiness.

SHELL 7 TILL 11

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The Most in Convenient Food — 7 Days a Week
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Holiday Cheer

It is with thanks that we extend a most happy new year to everyone.



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"The world today is looking for men who are not for sale; men who are honest, sound from center to circumference, true to the heart's core; men with consciences as steady as the needle to the pole; men who will stand for the right if the heavens totter and the earth reels; men who can tell the truth and look the world right in the eye; men who neither brag nor run; men who neither lag nor flinch; men who can have courage without shouting it; men in whom the courage of everlasting life runs still, deep and strong; men who know their message and tell it; men who know their place and fill it; men who know their business and attend to it; men who will not lie, shirk, or dodge; men who are not too lazy to work, nor too proud to be poor; men who are willing to eat what they have paid for; men who are not ashamed to say 'No' with emphasis and who are not ashamed to say, 'I can't afford it.'"
—Author Unknown
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GREETINGS to all



Bringing you greetings and our best wishes for the year ahead.

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