



JUNIOR HIGH GIRLS - Front row (l to r): Brenda Scitern, Caye Little, Donna Beth Rodgers, Tacy Simpson, Cathy Snider, Susan Barnett, Donna Browning, Julie Iley, and back row: Robbin Broom, Kayla Odell, Dee Dee Rodgers, Beverly Underwood, Veronica Brinegar, Lori Files, Kim Daniels and Jimmie Needham.



JUNIOR HIGH BOYS - Front row (l to r): Artimio Landa, Dane Gressett, Bud Jeffs, and Phil Osborne. Back row: Scotty Mauney, Andy Kinser, Teddy Underwood, Curtis Warren and Terry Martin

JOHN KOONCE LAID TO REST ON SUNDAY

John Carroll Koonce, 83, died at 4:50 p.m. February 11, 1978 in the Blackwell Hospital in Gorman after a lengthy illness. Services were at 2 p.m. Sunday in Higginbotham Chapel.

The Rev. Eric Trailer, pastor of an Assembly of God Church in Houston officiated and was assisted by the Rev. James Peppers, pastor of the First United Methodist Church of Gorman. Burial was in the Oaklawn Cemetery in Gorman.

Born Aug. 30, 1894, in Comanche County, he was a retired carpenter and security guard. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church. He was married Oct. 11, 1917 to Carrie Lee Woods in Gorman.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, J.W. of Lafayette, La., and Charles of Houston; an adopted grandson, Danny W. Va.; two brothers, Ted of Sundown and Hoyt of Fort Worth; two sisters, Mrs. Helen Arnold of Desdemona and Mrs. Edith Wright of Gorman; six grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

A son preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Sunday at the funeral home of Dean Kirk, E.N. Higginbotham, Billy Fred Jeffs, Howard Hagood, Ray Williams and a grandson Danny Koonce.

OUR TOWN

Our town and community is Ours because we live here, pay taxes and vote. It is great town because so many good people live here if you need help you can count on people here helping to take care of our problem.

In our town, we have a good school system and good teachers of which I personally respect. Good churches, eight in number, of which you can go and worship God. You know the church needs you and you need the church. The Bible says seek first the kingdom of God and the other things will be added unto you. So why not go to church each week and share your presence and blessings with others.

Sunday, February 12, marked our twenty-second year since we organized the Congregational Methodist Church and started services. The Lord has helped and blessed us in so many ways. Praise His Holy Name. We would like for you to be our guest in our services next Sunday.

Also we have a good hospital, good Doctors and Nurses, the best you can find anywhere. The next time you meet one of them smile and thank the Lord you are still up.

Remember the good Book says that a house divided against itself can not stand. We should cooperate to gether and pray that our town, our churches, school and Hospital will continue to be one of the best.

Yours in Christ, Marion Dennis, pastor of the Gorman Congregational Methodist Church.

Our apologies to Rev. Marion Dennis for omitting this article in last week's issue of the Progress. We are sure there were many who would have attended the anniversary church services on Sunday February 12. Rev. Dennis is to be commended for the work he has done and the things he has accomplished in the church and for the community.

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UMW To Meet Monday In G. C. Acrea Home

The United Methodist Women will meet Monday February 20 at 2:30 p.m. in the home of Mrs. G.C. Acrea for Bible Study.

The Women of The Bible will be given by Mrs. M.H. Fairbetter, Bible Study Leader.

All women of the church and anyone wishing to attend are cordially invited to attend.

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CITY ELECTION SET APRIL 1ST

The city commission has set an election to be held April 1 to elect a mayor and two councilmen.

Terms of W.C. "Check" Smith, mayor and council Arlton Smith Place 4 and Tommy Harrison Place 2 expire in April.

Deadline for filing for a position on the ballot is March 1. As to date the incumbents have not filed and there have not been any other papers filed for the three positions to be filled. Persons who wish to file may do so at the city office. The election will be held April 1, at the fire hall. Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7 p.m.

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SERVICES FOR MARY VAUGHN ON SUNDAY

Mary (Callie) Vaughn, 83, of Carbon died at 3 a.m. Friday February 10, 1978 in West Texas Medical Center in Abilene after a lengthy illness. Services were at 2:30 p.m. Sunday in Bakker Funeral Home Chapel.

The Rev. Delbert Smith pastor of Carbon First Baptist Church officiated. Burial was in Murray Cemetery.

Born Oct. 31, 1894, in Eastland County, she married Leaster Vaughn April 25, 1919, at Akra. She lived in Carbon all her life. She was a Baptist.

Mr. Vaughn died Oct. 13, 1964.

Survivors include two sons, Wayne of Odessa and Joe of Midland; three daughters, Mrs. Jack (Wilma) Brown of Eastland and Mrs. Clive (Louella) Murray of Pleasanton and Mrs. Bill (Doris) Lewis of Cisco; a brother, Joe Martin; three sisters, Ettie Haynes of Odessa, Maggie Houser of Plainview and Lucy Archer of Missouri; 13 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

A son, Garland, died in 1966.

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Woodrow Brownings Hold Open House

Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Browning, Donna and Gary welcomed their friends, neighbors and relatives to see their beautiful new home two and one half miles northwest of Gorman on the Kokomo Highway on Sunday, February 5, 1978 from 2 to 4 p.m. in the afternoon.

The desert rose brick veneer home features three bedrooms, two baths, living room, dining area, kitchen, utility room and double garage with natural pecan paneling in living room and dining area, gold tweed carpet, and gold appliances in the kitchen.

The serving table was covered with a gold linen cloth and was centered with a gold angel figurine and floral arrangement and the beautifully decorated cake with the large inscription "OPEN HOUSE" in multi-colors, baked and decorated by Mrs. D.F. Eaves. Punch, cake, nuts and mints were served.

Those assisting Mrs. Browning were Mmes. Joe Bond, Durwood Burgess, D. F. Eaves, Vernon Fields, Claude Fuller, Albert Hendricks, Ralph Hudson, Glenn Jordan, Charles Little, Jimmy Little, Mamie Little, Larry Morrow, Cullen Rodgers, Odis Rodgers and C.L. Snider.

The Brownings received many gifts for their new home.

Special guests were Mrs. Browning's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R.V. Lesley and an aunt, Mrs. Ina Lesley of DeLeon, Mr. Browning's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W.C. Browning of Gorman and friends, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Watson, Rachel and Leah of Eastland.

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Mrs. Flossie Underwood and Mr. and Mrs. Billy Charles Underwood were in Albuquerque, New Mexico this week for the funeral of her brother, Clyde Sims, who died Sunday.

PANTHERS WILL MEET LIPAN FOR BI-DISTRICT TUESDAY

The Gorman Varsity Boys basketball team will play Lipan for Bi-District on February 21. The game will take place in the Ranger Junior College Gym at 8:00 p.m. The Girls game will also be played at the Ranger Junior College Gym at 8:00 p.m. on February 28.

The Girls Varsity team will play Huckaby on February 28 for Bi-District. GORMAN TAKES PRIDDY IN PRACTICE GAMES

The Gorman Girls varsity team in game action with Priddy here on February 7 won the game 54 to 49. Amy Warren was high scorer with 27 points, Lisa Warren had 19 and Deliah Eaves and Melinda Harrington each scored 4 points. Schwartz was high points scorer for Priddy with 23 points.

Farmers Meeting Set Feb. 28 In Stephenville

There will be a meeting February 28, at 10:00 a.m. at Tarleton State University. The principal speaker will be Tom Vangarlem from Washington, D.C. The upcoming peanut program will be topic of discussion. All farmers and Ag related business men are urged to attend.

For additional information call Johnny Eaves 734-2041.

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ONE INCH OR RAIN RECORDED HERE

The first measurable amount of moisture fell in the Gorman area Sunday. One inch of rain was recorded and 2 of inch of moisture was recorded from the previous day moisture in the form of snow.

Our area received ap-

Farmers Talk Problems

The following article is a continuation of the farmers meeting in Carbon, February 4. The first part appeared in the February 9 issue of the Progress.

BY LA TONNE RODGERS

Several of the farmers from the DeLeon area were in Washington for meetings recently and stated that Congressman Omar Burleson and Representative George Mahon told the group of 100 that the Urban Congressmen would not let them help the farmers, but John Hill candidate for governor of Texas was in Washington in support of the farmers.

Eddie Lindley of Desdemona gave this account of one meeting in which were present ASCS officials- Grant Buntrock (director of the price support and loan division), John I. Morton (in charge of all the associations, such as Southwestern Peanut Growers Association), and Jack Forlines (branch chief of allotments and quotas).

"The group realized that we have been sold out in our own back door!" During the meeting g Lindley asked Morton about the Seg. 3 pool farmers were supposed to have a Morton said farmers of this area had the pool. However, Lindley said, "We were refused to put our peanuts in the pool back home."

After returning home, fifteen to twenty farmers met with officials of Southwestern Peanut Growers' to ask why the pool was refused, after being requested by the man who bought Lindley's peanut according to Lindley.

Jackie Pounds said last fall three farmers met with asked Ross Wilson about the Seg. 3 pool. He didn't say that the pool wasn't available, but that it wasn't recommended at the time. Seg. 3 peanuts sold for \$150 to \$155 per ton and today they sell for \$405 per ton.

In a return match game at Priddy on Tuesday February 14 the Gorman girls won 53 to 40. Lisa Warren was high scorer with 22 points, Amy Warren had 19, Deliah Eaves 9 and Mrlinda Harrington 4. Bufe scored 20 points for Priddy for high scorer.

PRIDDY OUT SCORES GORMAN

In a practice game here with Priddy on February 7, the Priddy boys out scored Gorman 51 to 49. David Good was high scorer with 13 points. Larry Keith and Tim Swanner each scored 11 points, Blaine Gibbs 8, Charles White 4 and Steve Keith 2. Schwartz was high scorer for Priddy.

EXTRA TICKETS AVAILABLE TO SHOW

The Golden Age Club members will attend the Holiday On Ice Show in Abilene on Saturday, February 25. Since there some extra seats available on the bus, tickets will be sold to non members on a first come, first serve basis until all the seats are filled.

The group will attend the matinee show at 2:00 p.m. Buses will leave the bank parking lot at 9:30 a.m. and go directly to Westgate Shopping Mall in Abilene, have lunch at Wyatt's Cafeteria and then to Taylor County Coliseum for the show.

Tickets for the show will be \$7.00 and you pay for your own lunch.

Deadline for club members to get tickets was February 10, but due to the bad weather that date has also been extended to members, so if you did not get your ticket before February 10, you may still have an opportunity to go.

proximately 1 inch of snow Tuesday night. We hope this is the beginning to the end of the drought.

BROWNWOOD STATE SCHOOL LOSES TO GORMAN IN OVERTIME

Brownwood State School lost to Gorman here in a practice game February 10. The game went into overtime with Gorman winning 61 to 59.

David Good and Larry Keith shared high score honors with 17 each, Tim Swanner and Charles White each scored 6 points and Blane Gibbs 5. Manning with 25 points was high scorer for Brownwood State.

GORMAN WINS RETURN MATCH WITH PRIDDY

In a return match practice game Tuesday night, February 14, Gorman scored 65 points and Priddy 49. Tim Swanner was high scorer for Gorman with 23 points, David Good had 13, and Larry Keith 8, Blane Gibbs 7, Steve Keith 6 and Charles White 3. Fiest with 27 points was high scorer for Priddy.

The Boys varsity team will play Eula at Eula on Friday February 17 at 7:00 p.m. The varsity girls will play Trent varsity team at Eula on Friday night, also. Moran Girls and Rising Star Boys won the District Junior Hi Basketball tournament played here Saturday, February 11.

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LOOK WHO'S NEW
Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Guthery of Gorman announce the arrival of their son, Nicholas Wade, born at 8:32 a.m. Saturday, February 4, 1978 in DeLeon Municipal Hospital. He weighed 8 pounds and 4 ounces and measured 19 1/2 inches tall.

Paternal grandmother is Mrs. Tommie Guthery of Gorman. Thomas Forrest of DeLeon is great-grandfather and Nannie Guthery of Desdemona is great-great-grandmother. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. W.B. Moore of Gorman and Mrs. Grace Bailey of Jacksonville, Florida is maternal great-grandmother.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Desdemona Community musical will be held Saturday night February 18. Everyone welcome.

The Senior Class will hold a bake sale Saturday February 18 in front of the Post Office.

Gorman Fire Department will meet Monday February 20.

South Eastland County Hospital Board will meet Monday February 20 at 7:30 p.m.

Singing at the Congregational Methodist Church will be held Sunday February 19, beginning at 2:00 p.m.

PANCAKE LOVERS

Gentlemen - give you wife a treat. Bring her to the Junior Class Pancake Supper. There will be lots of pancakes plus all the fixings. It will be held at the School Cafeteria on Feb. 18 (Saturday week). The price will be \$2.00 for ALL YOU CAN EAT! So come on down and help out the Juniors. Husbands, make your wives happy.

The Social Security Representative will be in Gorman Thursday, February 16 at 10:00 a.m. at the City Office.

CUB SCOUT MEET EACH Saturday, 9:30 to 12 noon in the School Gym.

Girls Scouts Junior and Cadettes will meet each Tuesday at 3:45 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Fellowship Hall.

Gorman Chapter 443 O.E.S. meets the first Monday each month at 7:30 P.M.

Gorman Lodge 716 AF&AM stated meetings 2nd Tuesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. Members urged to attend. Visitors Welcome.

Local FFAers To Attend Stock Show at Houston

Two Future Farmers of America from Gorman will be participating in the 1978 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, February 22 thru March 5. With more than 22,500 expected livestock entries, the Houston Show will once again be the largest in the world.

Entries are Clint Tucker and Danny Burgess. They will be accompanied by Ag Teacher Dwaine Brown.

For junior exhibitors throughout the state, the Houston Show is the culmination of a year's hard work of preparing their animals for the toughest of show ring competition. It is hard work that often pays off: open show and junior exhibitors will vie for \$477,210 in prize monies and premium auction prices above market value.

From a spectator's point of view, the young exhibitors are center-stage in a two-week extravaganza that begins when Houston, the fastest growing city in the nation, takes a step backwards in time and brings a bit of western heritage to its busy streets.

Horses, backboards and stagecoaches take to the concrete and businessmen don western hats and boots to welcome the largest civic event in the history of this

Bridal Shower Saturday Honors Elaine Hogan

Miss Elaine Hogan, bride-elect of Bobby Mark Eaves, was honored with a bridal shower in the First National Bank Currency Room on Saturday night, February 4, 1978. Calling hours were from 7 to 9 p.m.

Hostesses were Mmes. Marvin Blair, Arnold Butler, Claude Fuller, Albert Hendricks, Ted Higginbotham, Glenn Jordan, Dean Kirk, Charles Little, J.L. Morrow, W.O. Parr, Marshall Roberts, Frank Rhynes, Lendon Shipman, C.L. Snider, Dwayne Snider and Bobby Tucker.

Receiving guests with the bride-elect were her mother Mrs. Carroll W. Hogan and the groom-to-be's mother, bustling oil and space flight capital.

More than 6,000 trailriders journeying as far as 200 miles will join city officials and bands as the annual rodeo parade winds through the canyons of downtown streets at 9:15 a.m. on Friday, February 24.

Following the parade, the action moves farther out Main Street to the Astrodome and the adjoining Livestock Exposition Facilities where the rodeo opens with a matinee performance in the dome at 2 p.m.



JUDGES ATTEND REGIONAL SEMINAR

Forty-nine justices of the peace attended an advanced 40-hour Texas Justice of the Peace Training Center Seminar Jan. 22-27 in San Antonio. The seminars are held in compliance with Article 5972, Section b,

Texas Revised Civil Statutes. The training center is based at Southwest Texas State University. Among the judges attending were, Judge Sue C. Simmons of Gorman, Eastland County, Precinct 5 and Municipal Judge David W. Weise of Eastland, Eastland County who audited the seminar.

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FOR SALE: Three bed room house, central heat and air. Carpet. Large lot cellar and fruit trees. 734-2894. 4-3-16C.

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FOR RENT: 2 Bedroom House with garden spot. \$85 per month. Mrs. M.E. Pittman. 734-2055 1-26FNC.

WANTED: Retired couple or working couple to live in small modern house, 2 miles North of Desdemona on Highway 16, with some work available by owner. Bills paid. 758-2675 12-8-FNC.

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KOKOMO NEWS BY MRS. GLENN JORDAN

Sorry that I didn't get the news in last week, the ole flu bug must have enjoyed it's stay at our house for it returned, this time to hit me. I sure that I fouled up it's welcome this time and it will not be back.

We recieved one inch of moisture with the sleet earlier in the week and the rain received on Saturday night and Sunday. We are very thankful for it. And the sunshine on Monday and Tuesday has been beautiful even tho it is still cold.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Browning and Donna nered the special music at the Sunday morning service at the Kokomo Baptist Church. Visitors were Mrs. Lizzie Jackson of Gorman, Mrs. Robert Fortenberry and Cindy, and Yancy Buchanan of Lawn.

JACKSON FAMILY HONORED
Following the church services at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday morning, Mr. and Mrs. J.O. Jackson, Jr., Gary and Dianne were honored with a covered dish luncheon in the fellowship hall of the church. The Jacksons will be moving to Seninole soon. Highlighting the luncheon was a large sheet cake holding another cake in the form of a moving van and inscribed "Best Wishes to the Jacksons", baked and decorated By Mrs. D.F. Eaves.

J.O.'s mother, Mrs. J.O. Jackson, Sr. of Gorman was a special guest. The Jacksons will certainly be missed in our community and church, but we know that our loss is Seninole's gain and we wish them the very best in their new home.

Mrs. Norman (Colleen) Harris of Lincoln, Neb. spent last week here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.D. McNeely. Mrs. Ben McNeely and Mrs. Ben Rollins took Mrs. Harris to Dallas on Friday to catch a plane for her home in Lincoln.

Mr. and Mrs. R.V. Robinson of Ranger were visiting with Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McNeely on Sunday afternoon.

Recent visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hendricks were Mrs. Luce Pittman Control hunger and lose weight with NEW SHAPE DIET PLAN and HYDREX WATER PILLS. At Gorman Pharmacy. 3-2-23 P.

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Carbon News
By Mrs. Bob Hastings 639-2517

On Monday the sun is shining after a time of icy rainy weather. Maybe, we will all be feeling better.

The menu for the school cafeteria next week February 20 to 24 will be:
MONDAY: Macaroni with cheese, green beans, slaw, hot rolls, butter, brownies and milk.
TUESDAY: Barbecued hamburger patties, ranch style beans, spinach, bread, butter, apple crisp, and milk.
WEDNESDAY: Pizza, corn lettuce and tomato salad, bread, butter, genie bars, milk.
THURSDAY: Hobo dinners, pinto beans, cornbread, bread butter, peaches, milk.
FRIDAY: Hot dogs with chili, pickles, onions, french fries, jello, and Milk.

Mrs. Truman Been attended a meeting for administrative Postmasters in Dallas recently. Mr. Been accompanied her and while in the metroplex they visited their aunt Mrs. Elzo Been, and Mr. and Mrs. Truett Been of Grand Prairie.

Mr. and Mrs. Timmy Wooley and baby of Karlas spent the weekend with their parents Mr. and Mrs. John Burns and Mr. and Mrs. A.G. Stanley. Mrs. Mabel Payne has returned home from an extended visit with her daughter and their families, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Shephard of LasCruces, New Mexico and Mr. and Mrs. George Boles of Odessa. She also visited in Midland and San Angelo. Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Buck Weston on Monday were Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Birdette of Goldthwaite.

Mrs. Myrtle Maness was given a surprise birthday party on Sunday by her grandchildren, those visiting her were Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Patterson and children, Mr. and Mrs. George Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Patterson, Mr. Miss Molly Patterson and Charlie Patterson of Breckenridge; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Weldon of Ranger; Mr. and Mrs. Ron Elans, Mrs. Ricky Craven and daughter Deborah and Gary Petree all of Abilene.

Mrs. Lela Pruett has returned home after an extended visit with her sister Mrs. Puline Waits of Fort Worth. Mrs. Waits has been in the hospital there. She is improved.

Mrs. J.C. Clearman were recent visitors in Lawton, Okla. with Mr. and Mrs. Mike Leonard and Kani Jo.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Fields and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Walker and family of Krum spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Buster Johnson in Carbon.

Robin Watson of Austin spent the weekend with her parents, Bro. and Mrs. Bob Watson. A revival will be held at the Kokomo Baptist Church February 26 thru March 5. I'll have more details in next weeks column.

Thence North 1344 varas to the place of beginning, and brought by said plaintiffs against said defendant wherein the said parties are alleged to own the following interests in the surface of said land, to-wit: the said Hal E. Walton and wife Mary L. Walton an undivided seven-sixteenths interest, the said V. L. Davis an undivided seven-sixteenths interest, and the said M. C. Davis, if living and if deceased, the unknown heirs and legal representatives of the said M. C. Davis, is defendant, the nature of said suit being one for partition of the surface of the following described land:
Being 160 acres, more or less, out of the Spires Dooley Survey, Abstract 77, Eastland County, Texas; described as follows:
Beginning 2549 1-2 varas East and 950 varas South of the Northwest corner of the said Spires Dooley Survey, for the Northeast corner of this tract, a stake for corner from which a P. O. brs. South 5 deg. East 10 1-2 varas;
Thence West 672 varas to a stake from which a triple B. J brs. South 40 deg. East 1 varas;
Thence South 1344 varas to a stake for the Southwest corner of this tract from which a P. O. brs. North 11 deg. East 5 varas, D. O. brs. 19 1-2 deg. East 4 varas;
Thence East 672 varas to a stake in the East boundary line of the 1-4 locative interest of the said Spires Dooley Survey for the Southeast corner of this tract, a stake from which a P. O. brs. North 19 deg. East 2 1/2 varas;

HOSPITAL NOTES

Patients listed in Blackwell Hospital Wednesday were:
Lucy Lasater
Mildred Whitten
Davis Smith
Pearl Roberts
Lillie Phifer
Eva Stout
Kim Neims
Alma Craig
Annie McClearen
Lela Leach
Elua Buckler
Elizabeth Edwards
Katherine Ragan
Jack Whitten
Lillie Boney
Richard Alexander
Gilbert Marshall
Gracie Whitehead
Lloyd Armstrong
C.W. Swannner
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County Food Show Scheduled For Feb. 25

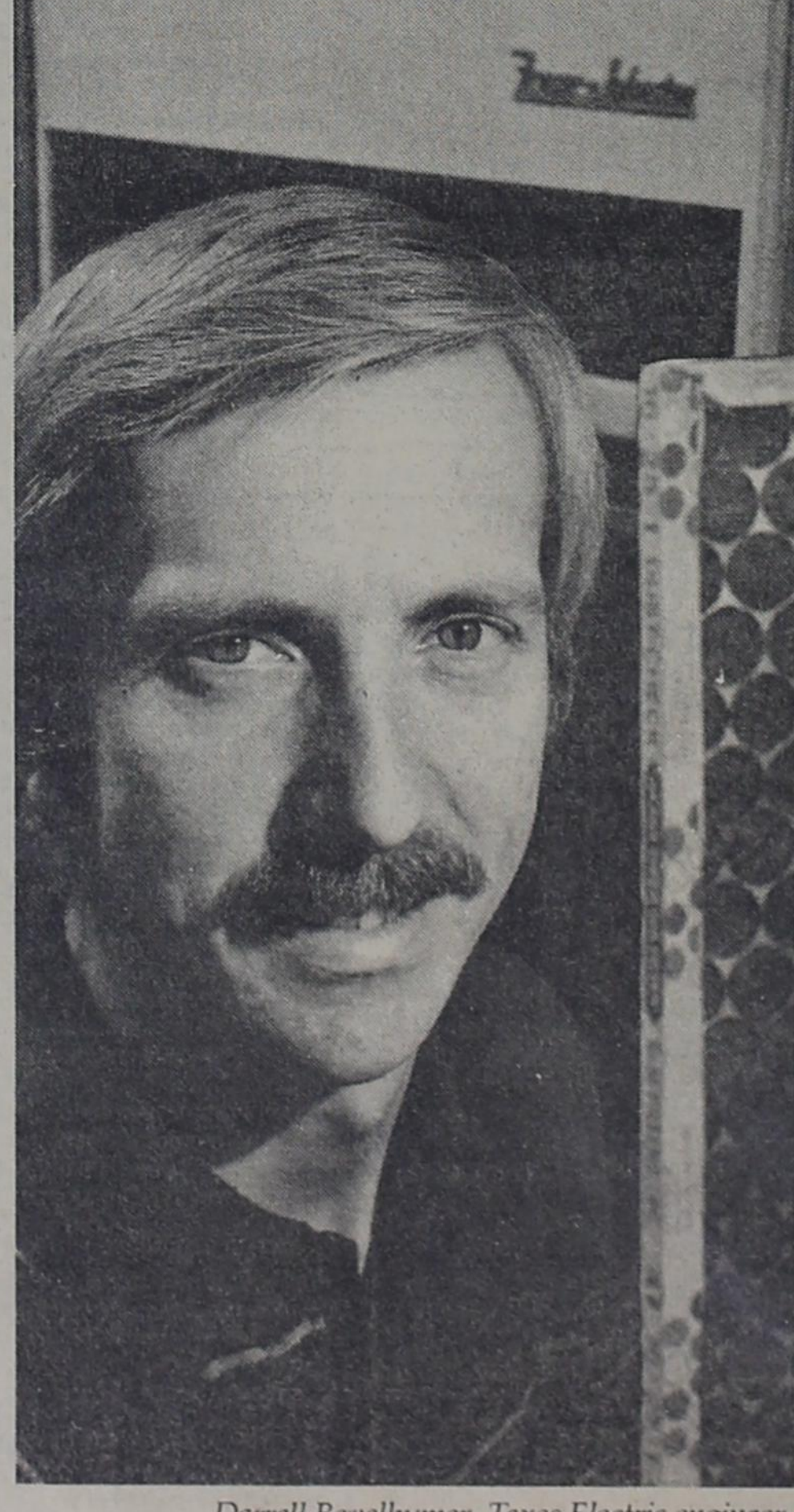
The Eastland County Food Show is quickly approaching. It is scheduled to be held on February 25th in the Texas Electric Reddy Room. All 4-Hers who are participating in foods and nutrition projects are encouraged to enter the food show. This will be a beneficial and enjoyable experience for those who participate. "Saving Energy" is the theme of this year's food show. Contestants are encouraged to select recipes that save fuel energy. Recipes which use small appliances, one-dish oven meals, or require little or no cooking would be appropriate. To enter the food show, 4-Hers need to turn in their recipe, a complete day's menu, and a Design For Discovery Form to the County Extension Office by February 20th. For further information contact Trudy Bird, Assistant County Extension Agent at 629-2222. —GP—

Mr. and Mrs. Truman Been visited their daughter and family Mr. and Mrs. Larry Lindsey and Abbie of Devine. Supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hogan on Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Hogan of Sillsbee; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Carlton of Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Warren and sons of Stephenville; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fields and children of Eastland; Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Hogan and Elaine, Bobbie Eaves all of Gorman and Mr. and Mrs. Gene May and family of Carbon. Mrs. Doug Bryant and Heather of Armarillo are visiting the Mack Stubblefield and the Truman Bryants this week.



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Desdemona News

By Vonnie Guthery 758-2665

Miss Virginia Leonard of Gorman spent the weekend with her great aunt and Uncle Escar and Flora Singleton.

Jerry Roe and friend Sharon of Fort Worth, Mrs. Donna Sinclair, Lori and Donald of Austin spent the weekend with their parents Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Clark.

Monthly musical will be Saturday February 18th. Visitors welcome. It is at our Community Center. Plenty of pie, coffee, drinks and pop corn.

Albert Clark and Helen Arnold remain on sick list but reported improving slowly. Also Tammy McMasters, daughter of Tommy McMasters is in Abilene hospital. Merrill were birthday girls: Our birthday social was Monday 13th at local cafe. Myrt Reid, Neta Gee, Bobbie McKillip and Louise Others attending were: Benton Echols, Winnie Rainey, Dorothy Roberts, Annie Collum, Clarence Denson, Maude Fugua, Wanda Martin, Pat Buckley and Johnnie Koonce, Dolores Tucker, Gay Moore, Zelma Williamson, Dorthy Greenhaw, Dixie Pack, Carrie Carr, Willa Mae Upshaw, Bethel Clark and Vonnie Guthery.

Burleson Announces Approval Of Loan Guarantee

WASHINGTON* D.C.-Congressman Omar Burleson announces the approval of a loan guarantee commitment in the amount of \$49,561,000 to the Brazos Electric Power Cooperative, Incorporated by the Rural Electrification Administration.

The counties served in the 17th District are Comanche, Eastland, Erath, Jack, Montague, Palo Pinto, Throckmorton, Wise, Young and Cooke.

The purpose of the loan guarantee commitment is to finance 254 miles of transmission line and related facilities, and a substation.

In old Bavaria, children were sprinkled with flax seed to make them thrive.

Message to Washington

PROBLEMS FOR PEANUT FARMERS

MESSAGE—I am writing about a problem many Central Texas farmers are facing, with the hope that you can help. A lot of the peanuts we harvested this season have been classified "segregation 3" because of A. flavus mold. To show you what this means, I sold one load of "segregation 3" peanuts for only \$432, while another load that had been classified "segregation 1" sold for \$1,488. "Segregation 3" peanuts can only be crushed and sold for their oil.

We are forced to sell "segregation 3" peanuts at a very low price—we can't even take them home for feed or seed—yet no support price is received for them. I can't continue farming peanuts without some assistance, and a lot of other farmers are in the same boat. Any assistance or advice you can provide will be greatly appreciated.—D.M., Gorman

SENATOR BENTSEN RESPONDS—I am working with officials of the Agriculture Department to try to find a solution to this problem. Because of the severe drought this past year the number of peanuts with A. flavus mold has been extraordinarily high. On November 22, the Department amended its peanut program to make loans available, at 17 cents a pound, for "segregation 3" peanuts not yet marketed. I am urging Agriculture Secretary Bob Bergland to make this ruling retroactive since 95 percent of the Texas crop had been sold before it was issued.

18 Members Of County HD Club Field Meet Wed.

Eighteen members of the Eastland County Home Demonstration Council met Wednesday, February 11 in the Texas Electric Reddy Room in Eastland. The council representatives met for their regular monthly business meeting. Mrs. Cullen Rodgers, of

Eva Thornal, of Flatwood H.D. Club. Council business included adopting the 1978 Home Demonstration Recommendations of Work. Council representatives also make plans for making gifts to be presented to the 4-H members entering the County 4-H Food Show on February 25th. Miss Trudy Bird, newly employed Assistant County Extension Agent, was introduced to the Council representatives. Miss Bird will give primary leadership to the 4-H clubs and leaders. Council members welcomed her to the county, and wished her much success.

Mrs. Ava Rodgers, County THDA Chairman from Kokomo; and Mrs. Vergie Hale, Council chairman from Cisco; met with Home Demonstration representatives from Palo Pinto County this past Tuesday, January 31st to develop plans for the District 8 THDA meeting. Eastland and Palo Pinto Counties will be in charge of the Family Life Workshop to be presented at the district meeting on March 28th at the State 4-H Center on Lake Brownwood. Eastland and Palo Pinto County Extension Agents, Janet Thomas and

JOLLY MONEY

MESSAGE—Several days ago a friend showed me a one dollar bill that had a picture of Santa Claus replacing the picture of George Washington. My friend told me that the bills were being issued by the government on order and at a premium price. I went to a bank asking to purchase several of these bills to use as Christmas presents. The bank employee said he knew nothing about the Santa Claus currency. I told others about the bills and they laughed me up the street.

Is it true that such a bill has been issued, or was it some kind of trick? I'd like to get some for next Christmas. With every good wish.—G.D., Dallas

SENATOR BENTSEN RESPONDS—The U.S. Treasury advised me that the government does not endorse or sell such bills. However, they say some banks have sold genuine U.S. currency with special pictures pasted over the original portraits. They usually cost \$3.95 for a note with a \$1 value. This is not illegal so long as the paste holding the picture in place can be removed without damaging the currency. Treasury officials did not know which banks might sell "Santa Claus" currency, but you might consult advertisements published by various coin and currency collecting periodicals.

Do you have a problem with government? MESSAGE TO WASHINGTON cuts through the red tape to get answers to your questions about Social Security, veterans benefits, immigration matters and other problems you may have run into in your dealings with the Federal Government in Washington. Write MESSAGE TO WASHINGTON, c/o Senator Lloyd Bentsen, U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C. 20510. Inquiries to MESSAGE TO WASHINGTON are sometimes edited before publication, but the intent and substance of the inquiries are maintained.



Arleon Atkins, were also present and participated in the committee meeting. The February Home Demonstration Club program will be "Decorating the Home with Houseplants". If you are not a member of club and would like to join, all the local extension office at 629-2222. Home Demonstration Club membership is open to all persons, and visitors are always welcomed. Home Economics educational programs are presented each month.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENT

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For Criminal Dist. Attorney EMORY C. WALTON (re-election)

State Rep., 54th District: JOE C. HANNA (re-election)

For U.S. Representative, 17th Congressional District: DUSTY RHODES of Abilene CHARLES STENHOLM Stamford JIM BAUM Big Spring FIKE GODFREY of Abilene

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1- 4 Row I.H.C. Rear Mount Cultivator 3 P.T.	1- 1960 3/4 Ton Chev. Pickup
1- 10 1/2 Long Tandem 3 P.T. Good	1- 4000 Gator Tandem Transport Tank (Needs Repair)
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1- 4 Row Cole Planter Good	1- 3 P.T. Dirt Scoop
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1- 4 Bottom Oliver Moldboard	1- 8 X 24 Ft. Self Contained Camper Trailer Tandem
1- 3 Bottom John Deere Tike Moldboard	1- Long Wide Insulated Pickup Cover
1- 5 Row Lister 3 P.T. Hitch	1- Super Long Combine
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1- Ford 2 Row Planter	1- 11 Shank Jeffery Chisel Gage Wheels
1- 6 Foot I.H.C. 3 P.T. Tandem Seed Boring	1- 5 Row Lister and Markers
1- Small Stock Trailer	1- Birch Four Cultivator Gage Wheels
1- 6 X 20 Stock Trailer	1- 6 Row Stalk Cutter
1- Pickup Bed Trailer	1- 10 1/2 ft. Long Tandem
1- Old B John Deere Tractor	1- Chev. Peanut Truck
1- I.H.C. Combine #64 with Motor	1- 4 Row Birch Planter
1- 3 P.T. Blade	1- Fuel Tank on Trailer
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LAWDALE HOME
By Leta Hogan
NEWS

Those visiting in our home this past week: Monie Warren, Irene Ratliff and Ruth Huff of Stephenville visited Lexie Wright, Susie Buckley, and Odies. Odies and Berniece Rodgers visited Mary Timmons, Aletha Kay Yarbrough of Gorman visited Elizabeth Simmons. Sam and Pauline Broom and Mr. and Mrs. Homer Kirk visited in our home. We had 5 winners at Bingo last week. Our winners were: Addie Ormsby, Susie Buckley, Edna Kirk, won once. Buddy McClearn won twice. Our Blackout winner was Beulah DeGuire. We didn't have Bible Study last week because of sickness and the bad weather. Hopefully this week we can have all of our activities. Our Thursday night singing was more or less a sing alone. I was sick and could not be here but our faithful singers and friends came out and put on a good program for our residents. I understand Pat and Lisa

Cornwell had our residents singing a lot of good old songs. It's so wonderful to have people who can come regardless of the weather. Thank you so much for coming. Our church service on Sunday afternoon was given by the Kokomo Baptist Church. Those attending were: Rev. and Mrs. Bob Watson, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hendricks and Yancy Buchanan, Mrs. Cullen Rodgers, Mrs. Bill Joiner, Mrs. J. C. Clearman, Odies and Berniece Rodgers, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Little and Mr. and Mrs. J.L. Morrow. Our Church service for Sunday night was given by the Church of Christ. Those attending were: Rev. and Mrs. Bill Hall. Mr. and Mrs.

GORMAN STUDENTS NAMED TO TARLETON HONOR ROLL
Gorman students named to the Tarleton State University A and B honor roll for the fall semester was released Monday by John Whiting TSU Registrar. Students named to the distinguished Student honor roll for two consecutive semesters list was Bern-

dean Reeves. Those named to the B Honor and Distinguished student list was Gary D. Jackson, son of Mr. and Mrs. J.O. Jackson, Jr. and Joyce L. Forrest, B Honor Roll, she is the wife of Willy Forrest. Donna L. Lewis, was also named to the B Honor Roll, she is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hogood. Students on the A honor roll must have a grade point on the 4.0 system and be taking a minimum of 12 hours. Students on the B honor roll have a grade point ratio between 3.00 and 3.99 with no grade lower than a B. Distinguished Students have a GRP of 3.25 to 3.99 with no grade lower than C.

PERSONALS
Mr. and Mrs. Carter Hart of Tyler were weekend visitors with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Baker. Weekend visitors with Mrs. Ruby Bennett were her sons Mr. and Mrs. L.A. Bennett of Eastland and

DWAYNE SNIDER RECEIVES PH.D. DEGREE
LUBBOCK - Larry Dwayne Snider, professor of statistics and mathematics at Tarleton State University at Stephenville, was awarded the Ph.D. degree at the conclusion of the fall semester at Texas Tech University. Snider is the son of Mrs. C.L. Snider of Gorman. This is his second year as a member of the Tarleton State faculty. He received the master's degree from Texas Tech and the bachelor's from Tarleton State.
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Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bennett and Debra of Weatherford. Mrs. Ralph Dunn and Estelle Craddock spent the weekend in Richardson with their daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Gray and family and Kay Ann Craddock. Mr. and Mrs. Mike Ogle of Eastland visited Monday with Lorena Clark.

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STENHOLM--U. S. CONGRESS

Free Enterprise System A Must, Stenholm Says

Free enterprise is an American ideal, an ideal, most closely reached when the individual has a minimum of restraint and competition is permitted to flourish.

The small businessman or woman is our indicator of how well we are doing in achieving our ideal. When small businesses have grown and prospered, when individuals have been able to go into business for themselves and succeed or fail due to their own decisions, then we can say that free enterprise is working. When individuals do not have the ability to control their own destiny due to government regulations or unfair competition, then we have problems.

Government policy relating to free enterprise must not take the direction that restricts individual initiative with the result that bureaucratic red tape actually prohibits the individual from doing well regardless of ability.

What makes us different from many nations in the world is that the individual counts in America; that we are not a society dominated by a few. What has made our cities, small and large, and our rural areas prosper has been the untiring efforts of individuals trying to make their own lives better — trying to win their share of the American Dream.

Businessmen and women have responsibilities to their

communities, their families, and their employees, and in the past the owners of small businesses in our nation have assumed these responsibilities providing leadership time and again — leadership that has raised millions of dollars for worthwhile causes . . . leadership that has led this nation in war and peace.

Policymakers at all levels must not now make circumstances so difficult that individuals become too discouraged to take the risk required to enter business, or stay in it. Our belief in free enterprise requires that the individual be given a chance. To do otherwise is to abandon one of our most basic necessities for success.

CHAMBER
OF
COMMERCE

Jim Hokanson, current president of the Stamford Chamber of Commerce and Charles Stenholm, a past CofC president, stand in front of the new chamber office.

Stenholm Is Third Generation West Texan

The Stenholm family of Ericksdahl and Stamford is well into its third generation and going strong.

Charles and Cindy Stenholm (the former Cynthia Ann Watson of Dumas) have been married 16 years and have three children, two boys, and the youngest, a girl.

Charles and Cindy met while juniors at Texas Tech and were married the summer after graduation. The young couple stayed in Lubbock for a year of graduate school.

Chris, 15, was born while Charles was teaching vocational-agriculture at Avoca. Cary came along three years

later, and then Courtney Ann, who is six.

The Stenholms live in a house which Cindy helped to design. She is a still-life painter and her artwork can be found throughout the home. The home is located on the east side of Stamford, a short drive from the family farm and their church in

the Swedish Lutheran community of Ericksdahl.

"The boys spend as much of their time as possible at the farm," says Charles. "They help with the crops, but they both like to hunt too."

Chris, the eldest, is a Greenhand (first year student) in the Future Farmers of America and Cary, 11, is active in 4-H. Both have numerous agricultural projects.

Chris also plays football, at end, the position his father played for the Stamford Bulldogs in the late 50s.

The Stenholms are an active family both on and off the farm and this desire to become active

and helpful, especially to the community as they grow older, is a family tradition.

Lambert Stenholm, Charles' father, was very active in public service during his lifetime. He served in leadership roles in conservation projects, rural water development, schools, and his church.

Charles is a member and former president of the Stamford Chamber of Commerce; chairman of the Quarterhorse Division of the Texas Cowboy Reunion; president of the Stamford Little League; president of Tri-Area Livestock Association; past president of the Stamford United Fund and a current member of the Exchange Club.

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—Photo by Gerald Eving, Courtesy Abilene Reporter-News

Pictured here is the Stenholm family: Chris, Courtney Ann, Charles, Cindy and Cary.

Progressive Conservatism Marks Burleson's Distinguished Career

Rep. Omar Burleson's recent decision to retire as U. S. Representative from the 17th District ends a long and distinguished career in the Congress.

By the time Rep. Burleson's last term of office officially ends on Dec. 31, 1978, he will have served 32 years in Congress and established a record for longevity and devotion to his constituency that few Congressmen have ever equalled.

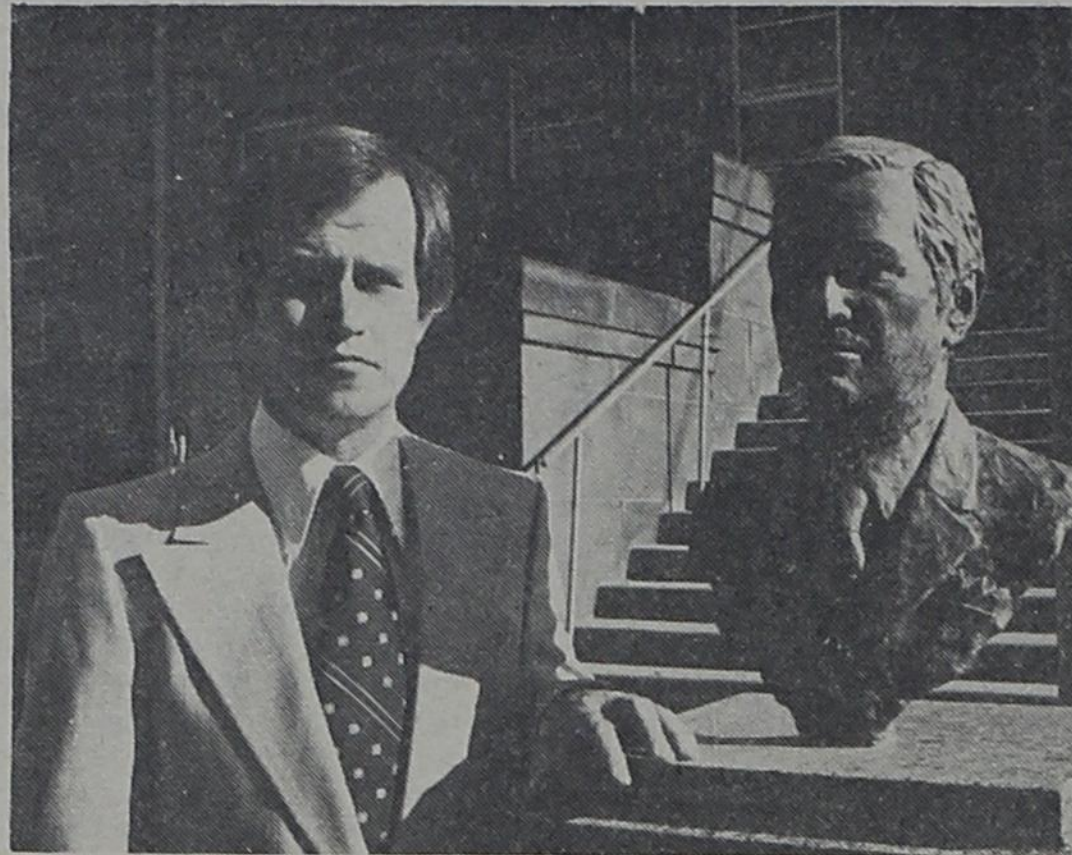
A native of Jones County (the Burleson family worked a small cotton and mule farm 10 miles south of Stamford), the young Omar Burleson literally worked his way from West Texas cotton fields to the Congress of the United States.

He battled hard times to graduate from Anson High School in 1924 and attend Abilene Christian College and Hardin-Simmons University.

He operated a laundry concession in order to pay his way through Cumberland University Law School and received his law degree from there in 1929.

It was the year of the stock market, but 1929 was notable for Burleson. In that year he realized two dreams — he won election as Jones County attorney and he married Ruth DeWeese, now his wife for 49 years.

Burleson served two terms as county attorney and another as



Stenholm and bust of Cong. Burleson at Anson

county judge. He lost a race for the state senate and spent a brief period with the FBI before serving as secretary to Rep. Sam Russell of Stephenville.

He served three and a half years in the Navy and, after the war, returned to Jones County to run and win the Congressional seat Rep. Russell had vacated. He was 40 years old and the year was 1947.

Later, he was elected by a unanimous vote of the Demo-

cratic caucus to membership on the powerful House Ways and Means Committee where he is second in seniority.

Burleson always followed a conservative course in Congress, but it was what has been called progressive conservatism.

"We've got to live in the 20th Century and we have to look to the 21st Century," he once said, "but I don't go for change for change's sake."

THE CITIZEN'S VOICE

AN EDITORIAL

Free political elections are the cornerstone of our democracy, as we all know, but for the voters of the 17th Congressional District, the May 6th Democratic primary is the most important in a long time.

For the first time in 32 years, almost one-third of a century, Representative Omar Burleson of Anson is not running for Congress. In this election we are faced with finding the man to replace him.

The man is Charles Stenholm of Stamford.

Charles, a farmer and a family man, a man of energy and integrity, a man of experience in business and politics, the man who can best continue the brand of responsible and conservative representation that Rep. Burleson has given us for the past 32 years.

Charles Stenholm is a young man, 39 years old, with plenty of years left to work for his constituents. He is almost exactly the age Rep. Burleson was when he first went to Congress from this area. Charles Stenholm is from the land. He's a farmer, and a practicing farmer at that. He is a hard working dry-land cotton farmer who knows what it is to worry about drought low prices and insects, and then have to worry about rules and regulations from Washington.

He has experience. While still in his 20s, Charles Stenholm was in Washington working to insure that penalties were not imposed because of skip-row planting for cotton allotments. This common sense conservation measure wasn't allowed then, but it is now. That's partly because Charles Stenholm worked.

Charles Stenholm is still working and he's still concerned about the issues that face the people of the 17th District.

Charles Stenholm wants to deregulate the oil and gas industry of the United States.

Oil and gas in the 17th Congressional District produces over 2 billion dollars in annual revenue which pays many taxes to educate our children and provide many jobs and service to sustain our economy. It must not be stifled by government.

Charles Stenholm believes we must get higher prices for the bounty of our land but still keep the lid on the cost of living which can be done by responsible government.

Charles Stenholm wants a Social Security system that works for the old and young alike. Fiscal responsibility must be emphasized along with compassion of our fellow man.

Charles Stenholm was born and reared in the 17th District on a farm his family has worked for three generations. He went to school in Stamford, Stephenville and Lubbock. He works the same farm on which he grew up, and attends the same church of his childhood.

All of Charles Stenholm's interests are right here in the 17th District. All of them except Congress. That's in Washington, which is where we must send him.

Stenholm Concerned About Energy Crisis

Can there be an energy crisis in the United States when there seems to be an adequate supply of crude oil, gasoline, natural gas, and other petroleum products?

"You bet there can be" is the reply of Charles Stenholm, candidate for Congress from the 17th Congressional District of Texas.

The crisis is at more than one level, according to Stenholm, and contains inconsistencies and lack of logic on the part of the federal government that defy common sense. Producers and consumers alike suffer as a result.

"The crisis in supply," Stenholm says, "is that, while we can purchase what we need, what we buy is more and more supplied by foreign producers. Almost half of our petroleum comes from foreign producers; and we buy at their prices, which are far above what our domestic producers can charge under federal regulations.

"This gets us to another level of the energy crisis. While we refuse to remove the lid on prices our domestic producers are allowed to charge for natural gas, for example, we are presently conducting negotiations with Mexico to purchase natural gas at \$2.60 per thousand cubic feet (mcf).

This is an outrageous price when compared to what our

domestic producers are allowed to charge.

"Such a pricing policy on the part of the federal government discourages our producers from finding new supplies of natural gas, something that is necessary if we are going to reduce our dependence on foreign supplies."

Stenholm adds that while we are becoming more and more dependent on foreign sources of energy, we are increasing our consumption.

Stenholm indicated that this continued increase of consumption works against our ability to reduce our dependence on foreign energy supplies, even if the government removes price controls. "We must work toward reducing consumption," Stenholm said, "while at the same time removing federal regulations on the price of oil and gas."

By reducing consumption and removing price controls at the same time, Stenholm says, "we give incentive to domestic producers to produce more, find new sources of oil and gas, and allow them to supply an even larger percentage of the domestic market. As demand falls and domestic production increases, the foreign producers will begin supplying less and less of our energy needs and also realize they cannot charge unreasonable prices."

Our increased consumption

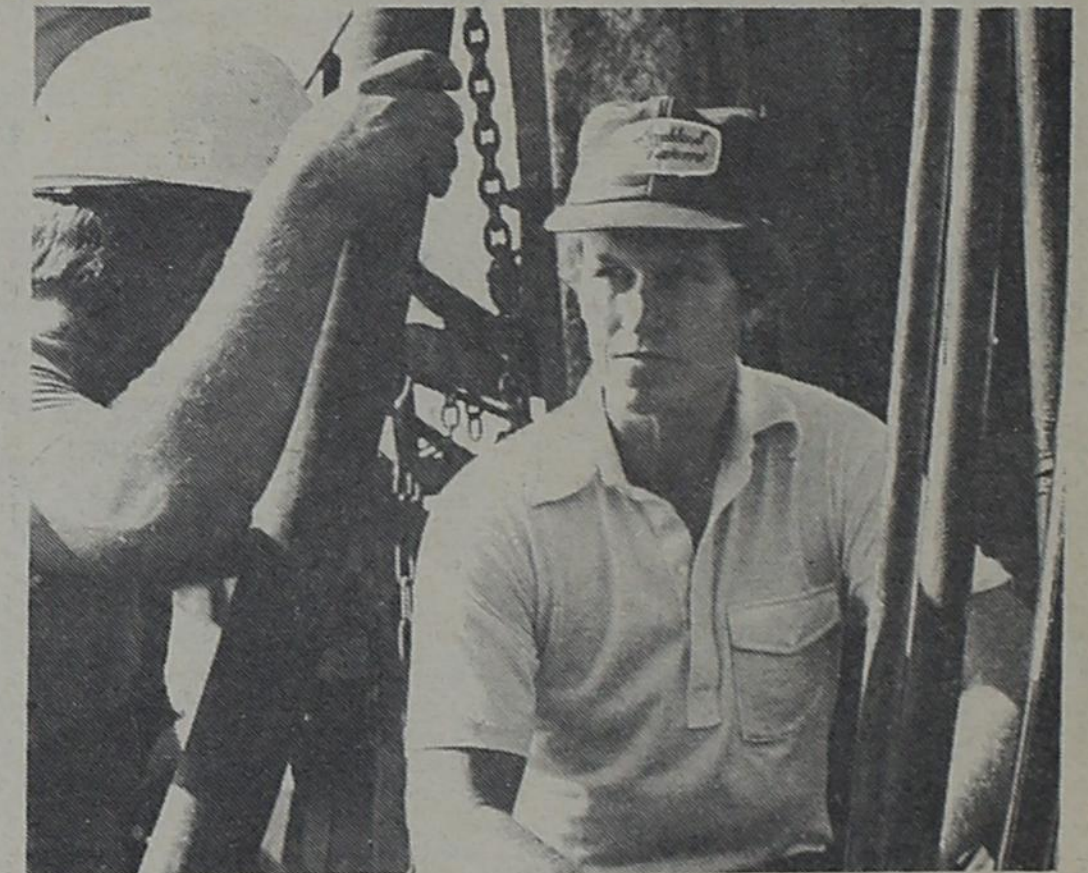
since the 1974 Arab boycott, Stenholm says, has helped increase the price of Arab oil. "Foreign friends of the United States tell us that if we stopped buying so much Arab oil, the Arabs would lower the price in order to induce customers in the U. S. to keep buying their oil," Stenholm says.

Letting the free market concept of supply and demand work in this country, Stenholm says, will permit our producers to get back to the job of drilling for oil and gas.

Alternate sources of energy are a vital ingredient in the overall plan to reduce our dependence on foreign energy sources, Stenholm says. "We need to investigate all effective ways of producing energy, selecting those that prove the most feasible and concentrating on their development and application to everyday fuel needs.

This sort of program will bring us closer to self-dependence in the energy area; and not having to purchase oil and gas from foreign sources will definitely reduce the balance of payments deficit that we are increasing every year because of our consumption patterns and our refusal to remove federal rules that so far have stifled our own producers," Stenholm says.

Stenholm summarizes his thinking on the energy problem by stating that, first, we must



reduce our growing dependence on foreign oil and gas by reducing consumption.

Second, the federal government must abandon its policy of regulating the price of domestically produced oil and gas so that our own producers will be given the incentive to increase production and take up the slack as the foreign producers leave the market. Third, we must develop alternative forms of energy.

"What will eventually hap-

pen," Stenholm says, "is that demand will stabilize at a much more realistic level while at the same time domestic producers are supplying a larger percentage of the U. S. market with the removal of price controls. Then we will have an energy policy that is realistic, providing enough oil and gas to meet our needs, diversifying our energy sources through development of alternate fuels, and removing the burden of paying out more money for imports.

Stenholm Says Reduce Bureaucracy

"The amount of paper work that the average American runs into in his private life is magnified in his business and work life.

"Businessmen, teachers, farmers, housewives, service people — all of us contend daily with forms, vouchers, lists, impersonal form letters from this agency or that, empty blanks to fill out, any number of intrusions that leave us with the feeling that the only contact between the individual and his or her government is through the computer.

"It seems that any good idea that finds its way out of Congress gets chewed to pieces by the bureaucratic agencies that write the rules and guidelines for implementing the laws that Congress passes and the President approves.

"We have had numerous examples of this: OSHA, Social Security, farm programs at times through the years, veteran programs, small business regulations, Environmental Protection laws. All of these programs started out with what might have been a good idea. But somewhere between the idea becoming law and delivering the benefits to the people, those in charge of im-

plementing the programs sat down and devised rules and guidelines that emphasized record-keeping more than helping individual human beings.

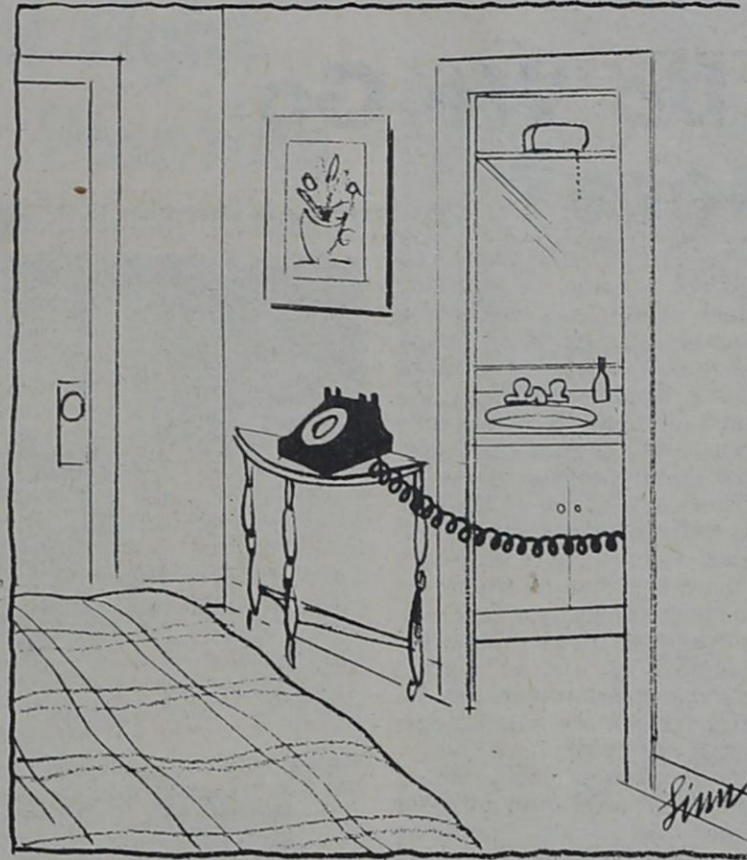
"Congress is at fault for permitting government agencies too much authority in interpreting how laws should be put into effect.

"Maybe we citizens have been willing to listen to 'experts' instead of using our own good sense and have allowed the bureaucrats to get away with organizing our lives.

"How much of this paperwork shows is the basic distrust between the government and the governed.

"Isolated in Washington, bureaucrats and some elected political leaders get into the habit of thinking that the folks outside the District of Columbia do not understand modern life well enough to be trusted. They trust us better if we fill out forms.

"All agency people do not share this attitude. I know personally from my experience with people in the field offices of the U. S. Department of Agriculture here in the district that they would much rather spend their time working with people

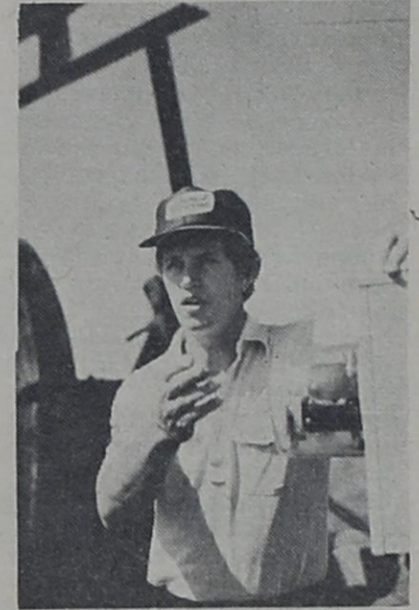


than sitting in their offices approving forms, filling them out, and sending them to Washington. These local people must do as their superiors direct.

Our elected representatives

must exercise more oversight in the development and implementation of guidelines and regulations. To merely pass the basic laws is not enough.

I shall always work hard to reduce bureaucracy.



Stenholm Reveals Finances

1040 U.S. Individual Income Tax Return 1976

Name of joint return: Charles W. & Cynthia Stenholm

Address: 8 Westwind Circle, Stamford, TX 79781

Occupation: Manager & Farmer

Spouse's occupation: Housewife

1 Single (Check only ONE box)

2 Married filing jointly (even if only one had income)

3 Married filing separately (if spouse is and filing separate social security number in designated state above and enter full name here)

4 Unmarried head of household (See page 7 of instructions to see if you qualify)

5 Qualifying widow(er) with dependent child (Year spouse died - 19)

7 Other dependents:

8 Presidential Election Campaign Fund: Do you wish to designate \$1 of your taxes for this fund? Yes No

9 Wages, salaries, tips, and other employee compensation: 9 17,920.45

10 Dividends (See page 8 and 10b for instructions): 10 2,000.00

11 Interest income: 11 68.99

12 Income other than wages, dividends, and interest (from line 37): 12 4,796.28

13 Total (add lines 9, 10c, 11 and 12): 13 33,320.72

14 Adjustments to income (such as moving expense, etc. from line 42): 14

15a Subtract line 14 from line 13: 15a 33,320.72

15b Disability income exclusion (attach Form 2440): 15b

15c Adjusted gross income. Subtract line 15b from line 15a, then complete Part III on back (if less than \$8,000, see page 2 of instructions on "Earned Income Credit"): 15c 33,320.72

16 Tax, check if from: Tax Table Tax Rate Schedule X, Y or Z Schedule D Form 2555 Form 4726

17a Multiply \$35.00 by the number of exemptions on line 6d: 17a 170.00

17b Enter 2% of line 47 but not more than \$180 (3% if box 3 is checked): 17b 180.00

18 Balance. Subtract line 17c from line 16 and enter difference (but not less than zero): 18 5,669.13

19 Credits (from line 54): 19

20 Balance. Subtract line 19 from line 18 and enter difference (but not less than zero): 20 5,669.13

21 Other taxes (from line 62): 21 3.00

22 Total (add lines 20 and 21): 22 5,672.13

23a Federal income tax withheld: 23a 1,316.87

23b 1976 estimated tax payments (including amount allowed for overpayment): 23b

23c Earned income credit (attach Form 4066): 23c

23d Amount paid with Form 4866: 23d

23e Other payments (from line 66): 23e 110.00

24 TOTAL (add lines 23a through e): 24 4,245.76

25 If line 22 is larger than line 24, enter BALANCE DUE IRS (Check here if Form 2210 or Form 2210F is attached. See page 10 of instructions.): 25 4,245.76

26 If line 24 is larger than line 22, enter amount OVERPAID: 26

27 Amount of line 26 to be REFUNDED TO YOU: 27

28 Amount of line 26 to be credited on 1977 estimated tax: 28

Signature: Charles W. Stenholm

Signature: Cynthia Stenholm

Signature: BORDEN DUFFEL, CPA, Accountant

Abilene, TX 79605

This is a copy of the income tax return filed by Charles and Cindy Stenholm for the year 1976. His 1977 statement will be available later.

Stenholm Says Congress Responsible For Increases in Cost of Living

"What can a congressman do to fight increases in the cost of living?"

Charles Stenholm, candidate for Congress from the 17th Congressional District, asked himself that question recently in explaining to district residents his views on the subject.

Regarding government spending, an area that Stenholm said shares a good bit of the responsibility for inflation, "Congress can pay attention, very careful attention, to the impact of the laws it passes on private industry and business. Whenever private business has to fill out forms and use man hours and money to comply with

federal laws and regulations, then businessmen must charge more for the goods and services they sell in order to make up the difference.

Stenholm emphasized that the man hours and money spent in complying with government reports are non-productive hours, "and when a company spends hours in non-productive work, then in order to stay in business the company must increase the cost to the public of their goods and services.

Congress should not pass laws without considering the impact of its actions, Stenholm said. Of course, congressmen must be convinced that the law is

needed, he added, but should the trouble that it takes to comply with the law be too costly to business and the public, then the question arises, "is the new law worth it?" Congress then has to reconsider its intentions; or devise a less costly system for implementing the law.

Stenholm also said that administration costs in federal programs are too expensive. "The merits of any federal program can be diminished if the cost of administering it reduces the benefits to the people. Programs should not be designed to increase federal payrolls under the guise of helping the people," Stenholm said.

Charles Stenholm, right, candidate for Congress from the 17th congressional district, was among a group of well wishers for Speaker of the U. S. House of Representatives Tip O'Neill, left, on Oct. 21, in Fort Worth. Omar Burleson, center, the present Congressman for the 17th District who announced in August that he would not seek another term, joined several other congressmen whose districts adjoin or include parts of Dallas and Tarrant Counties at the dinner honoring Speaker O'Neill, sponsored by the Jim Wright Congressional Club.



The Big Question--

Where Do We Go From Here?

(Press release of December 16, 1977)

Charles Stenholm, candidate for Congress from the 17th Congressional District, told farmers assembled at the Farmers Rally in Abilene on December 14, that few people, a short time before the rally, would have believed that so many would attend the meeting to show support for farmers. But the turnout, Stenholm said, proved the deep concern that farmers and other members of the community had for the farm crisis.

Stenholm, while remarking on the success of the rally, closed his speech with the questions, "What next? What happens today and tomorrow? How do we begin to achieve those very worthwhile goals that you are here today to demonstrate your interest in achieving?"

As a farmer personally involved in the problems of present-day agriculture, Stenholm has prepared and offers his own answers to the questions that he asked on December 14.

"Those farmers in the 17th Congressional District who have participated in the recent rallies and tractor parades should be justifiably proud that they have been peaceful and have demonstrated widespread understanding and support for a solution to the farm price dilemma. The question now is, "Where do we go from here?"

Farmers have the attention of the nation. We must now act

positively and responsibly. We must not become party to any violent action; any obstruction of local retail operations; or any activities that are disruptive or abusive to our customers. We must keep in mind the absolute necessity of maintaining and expanding foreign and domestic markets, and above all the general welfare of this nation. Our proposals must quite obviously be those that can be supported by a large majority of farmers, but they must also be supported by consumers, and a Congress and President dominated by advisors from more populous sections of this nation.

The consumer must understand that bankruptcy or other factors drastically reducing production will surely mean skyrocketing prices. The consumer is working in his or her own interest when supporting a fair profit for producers. Every business must have a profit to continue to operate.

If there is any doubt in your mind concerning the seriousness of the farm cost-price squeeze, the plain facts are that the possible loss of independent farmers threatens the very fabric of our agricultural productivity, and if that fabric is destroyed, so will be the nation.

Such a critical situation demands leadership and immediate action by those who



can take steps to correct this dangerous economic situation, which unattended can affect the future of America. We must,

however, realize that we did not get into this situation overnight; and we will not get out overnight.

I am today proposing a 4 point program for us to build upon; a program that calls for meaningful participation by every farmer and a renewed understanding of the free enterprise system on the part of every consumer in the United States.

Point Number 1: Farmers should immediately curtail all sales of non-perishable commodities at current prices. Farmers should then agree on an orderly marketing by drawing on the abilities of all talents available. This plan should include a pricing structure that includes a reasonable profit and be consistent with domestic and foreign competitive factors.

To clarify what is said above, farmers should begin placing the products on the retail shelf with a reasonable markup and sell when the free market can use it and is willing to pay a fair retail price. If farmers must throw a "sale" to move inventory, let it come later, but not today. Very few retail merchants can stay in business by selling at 50% off the year round.

Point Number 2: Our problem is simply stated: we have produced too much for today's market. Any practical long-range solution demands reducing production to bring supply in line with demand. Therefore I am advocating a minimum 25% across-the-board set aside for all major crops.

No government payments, and no production (unless needed to maintain the cattle industry) would come from this

set aside acreage. Stubble mulch clean tillage must be permitted.

The freedom to participate or not participate must be left to the individual farmer. I believe in the right to work. I also believe in the right to farm.

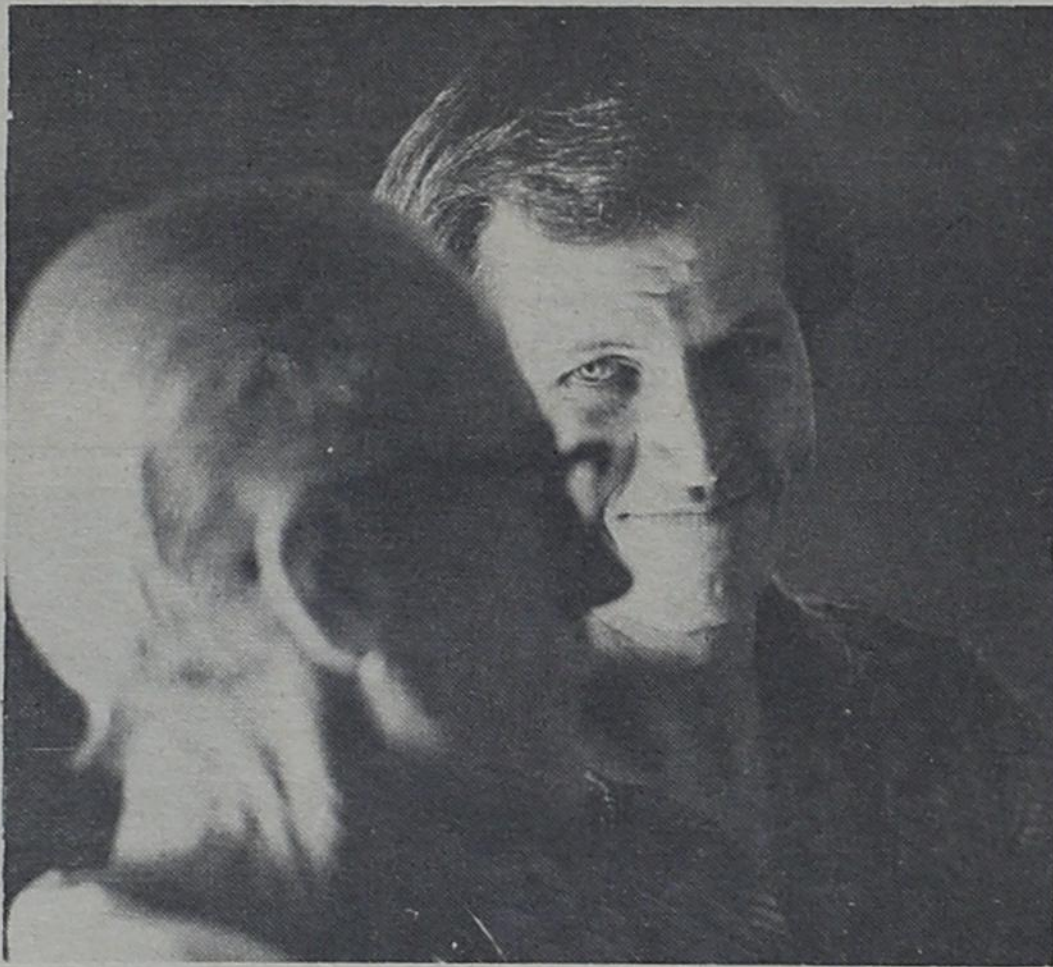
I basically believe that the majority of farmers would rather farm 3/4 of their land at a profit than continue farming 100% at a loss. No businessman continues to add inventory when he cannot sell what he already has on hand.

Point Number 3: An expanded effort using all available resources to increase foreign sales of farm commodities at profitable prices to any country that wishes to trade.

Point Number 4: Full and speedy implementation of present USDA efforts to build reserves owned by farmers on the farm or stored in local, independent grain warehouses to provide a cushion for drought and other natural disasters.

The program that I have just outlined can accomplish our goals. It should begin to increase farm prices to more profitable levels within a short period of time. It will allow the market to function by allowing supply and demand to determine price. It will not cause consumer food or fiber prices to increase dramatically. It will allow the Congress and the President time to implement any additional legislation required after listening to farmers to determine needs and solutions. And these proposals will have the added benefit of giving the farmer more control of the price of his production than he has now.

Stenholm . 17th District . U. S. Congress . Democrat



Social Security Program Needs More Overhauling

Charles Stenholm, candidate for Congress from the 17th Congressional District, issued a statement recently giving his

concern for the direction taken by proposed changes in the system.

Stenholm said that "the

recent change calling for increased taxes is not the total answer to all the problems. We must work to reassure, by responsible action, the millions of Americans, young and old alike, who are concerned that the Social Security System not only can be made financially secure, but can be made more equitable for generations to come. "Sooner or later," he added, "we will have to reform the Social Security System. We cannot continue to raise taxes on employers and employees."

Stenholm said that increased taxes will have several bad effects: "The working man and woman have a difficult enough time making ends meet without having to pay more social security tax. Employers will be left with only one recourse — raise the price of goods and services, which will only be counter-productive to our attempts to stimulate the economy. Hiring new employees will be discouraged. Small businesses and those with thin profit margins will be the hardest hit."

Stenholm said that the original purpose of social security has been clouded by the addition of other programs. "Welfare-type programs unrelated to the protection of older

Americans have been added to the system," he said. Also, "the inclusion of these social welfare programs has been a major factor in pushing the social security system toward financial chaos. It is a mistake to enact large tax increases without taking a hard look at what has caused the need for the additional money to see if expenses cannot be cut first." Stenholm added that we must remember that social security "was never intended to solve all the needs of the retired person. The original purpose was simply to supplement retirement income and reduce the number of people in the job market."

However, Stenholm said that there was one area of social security that should be expanded: "We must recognize and correct the current inequities of the social security system that work against women. Today over one-half of all married women under the age of 60 are in the labor force. They deserve equal treatment under the law."

But whatever social security reforms are developed, Stenholm said that they "must emphasize the individual, not treat older people like second-class citizens."

"In making decisions about social security we are talking about people we all know — our mothers and fathers, members of our community who have contributed much to our lives, whom we see every day, and who continue to work for us in many ways," Stenholm said.

Stenholm added that in many ways "the way we think about and treat older members of our community reflects the way that we think about ourselves. We cannot get to the point that we reflect an attitude that considers people as a herd to be manipulated by political games."

"The individual means something in this country, and just because that individual grows older does not in any way decrease his or her importance. We cannot be so disrespectful of our sound, conservative past that we allow growing old in America to become something to fear."

"If through inaction or poor preparation we abandon our older citizens, we are in effect saying that what they taught us, the way they loved us, and the way they worked for our growth is not enough to warrant some basic security as they grow older."

Stenholm Led Successful Fight To Recognize Skip-Row Planting

Skip-row farmers on the Texas Rolling Plains were headed for disaster in the fall of 1966, according to statements in area newspapers by Senator Ralph Yarborough, Congressman W. R. (Bob) Poage, and then Executive Vice President Charles Stenholm of the Rolling Plains Cotton Growers Association.

Congressman Poage saw no chance in a reversal of a United States Department of Agriculture ruling that reduced the anticipated cotton yield in the rolling plains: "I'll continue to complain every chance I get," Poage was reported as saying in the Abilene Reporter-News, "but I'd only be kidding the people if I said I thought I could get it changed."

But that was in the fall of 1966,

before the Rolling Plains Cotton Growers, led by Stenholm and J. B. Cooper, then president of the RPCG, interested producers in the Texas Farmers Union, and County Executive Directors and Committeemen from the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service launched their campaign in earnest to obtain concessions from the USDA.

On January 29, 1967, the Sweetwater Reporter ran a story announcing that the USDA had increased the cotton yield by 20,342,000 pounds, bringing a \$2.25 million increase in government payments to farmers in the Rolling Plains.

What caused the change? It had come from the persistence of a few men in the RPCG, ASCS, and their counterparts in Oklahoma, which also had been

affected by the skip-row ruling.

Stenholm, now a candidate for Congress from the 17th Congressional District in Texas, remembers the time well. He especially remembers that he was a political novice and anxious about going to Washington and button-holing Congressman and USDA officials. "But the ruling meant economic hardship to the cotton growers in the Rolling Plains, and the association had a definite responsibility to the area. And as officers of the association, Mr. Cooper and myself had to get into the middle of it, anxious or not," Stenholm said.

"The Texas delegation to Congress helped us day-in and day-out," Stenholm said. "Mahon, Burleson, and many others up there arranged meetings for us, made phone calls, put on some pressure, and gave us a credibility that opened doors that might otherwise have been shut. What we came away with was not the whole loaf, but it sure was better than it would have been if that ruling had remained 100% in effect," Stenholm said.

What the group came away with after months of traveling back and forth to Washington was what Stenholm and Cooper described at the time as a "partial correction for the area since only 60 per cent of the pounds which had been lost were regained." Their hope was that the remaining crop could be regained in 1968.

Stenholm remembers that struggle because it taught him that individuals can effectively influence their government if they are willing to try hard enough, he said.

He does not discount the help given to him and other farmers who went to Washington by the area members of the Texas delegation to Congress. Stenholm said that Congressmen Burleson, Graham Purcell and Mahon were "especially helpful to those of us from the association and I was impressed by the importance of having men in Congress who understand the problems back home and are willing to work to solve those problems."

"Skip-row cotton farming is traditional to our area," Stenholm said, "and our congressmen knew it — they knew its importance to the farmers and that the USDA ruling would virtually wipe out the cotton farmers on the Rolling Plains." Because of this, Stenholm said, they paid attention.

The experience in 1966-67 is in his mind today as he campaigns for the congressional seat soon to be left vacant by Cong. Burleson's retirement. "That experience taught me that you have to have commitment to your district; that you don't run for Congress just because you want it but because you want to serve your district. I plan to see that the people of this district have an active voice in policies that affect them."



Stenholm Is Familiar With Farm Problems

Charles Stenholm is a practicing farmer, a man who faces the day-to-day problems that farmers everywhere in the district face, whether those problems come from the weather or the market place.

Stenholm has worked hard for better farm programs and prices during his years as a farmer and gained enough recognition to be appointed by the Carter Administration to the Texas ASC Committee in 1977. This committee serves as the administrative and advisory group for the U. S. Agricultural Conservation and Stabilization Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture, in Texas, and oversees the federal farm program in the state.

Stenholm's concern with farm problems comes from personal experience. In the mid-Sixties when skip-row farmers in the rolling and high plains areas were not going to receive a fair deal in the farm program, Stenholm and other farmers in the region made several trips to Washington. They talked to department officials as well as the Texas Congressional Delegation.

Stenholm and other farmers, with the help of these congressmen, worked for months finally resulting in skip-row farmers obtaining fair treatment in the farm program.

Farm programs are important to Stenholm, but he also believes that farmers can do a lot for themselves to improve their condition, especially in the area of farm prices.

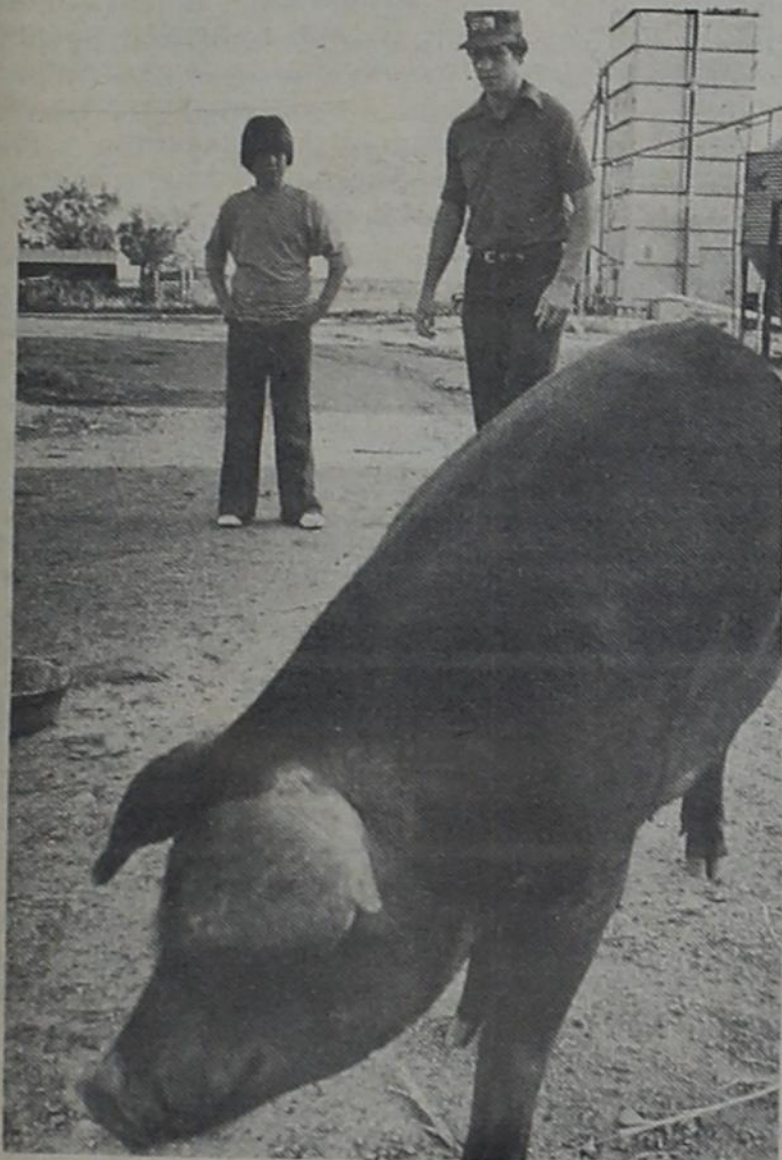
While on the ASC Committee, a position that he resigned when he became a candidate for Con-

gress, Stenholm spoke often in favor of farmers adopting policies that would prevent an oversupply of farm commodities from driving down prices. During the cotton season, for example, Stenholm suggested that farmers not dump their entire crop on the market at the same time each year but put it in the loan instead and release a portion of it throughout the year. This type of market control would increase prices because demand would be more in line with supply. The beauty of this device, Stenholm said, is that farmers can do it themselves.

Stenholm has continued to work for a farm policy that includes sensible regulations and the goal of 100% of parity. At the same time, Stenholm believes that farmers themselves must take the initiative in using what tools they have in fighting low farm prices.

"The government can't do everything for us, Stenholm said. "In areas where there are existing farm programs, or in areas where programs are needed," he said, "farmers need to fight for workable programs and fair administration." He added that "in those areas where farmers can exert their own influence over the conditions that determine the prices we receive for our crops, we ought to use every legitimate advantage that we can find."

Stenholm concluded by saying, "Not the least of which is the control of supply by controlling production. No businessman or woman goes back to market for more merchandise when they have not sold what they already have in the store."



"A Good Boy" - "A Fine Guy" -

Teachers Praise Stenholm

If you want to gain some insight into the background of someone running for public office, check with their former teachers and principals in public school; ask a former football coach, college dean or professor.

This can be tricky for a candidate, but there is little to worry about if you are Charles Stenholm, candidate for Congress from the 17th Congressional District of Texas. When you talk to people who knew Charles "back when," they do not hesitate to praise him as a boy and a man.

"Everything I remember about him is wonderful," says Mrs. Mary Gay, a retired school teacher who taught Charles math in junior high in Stamford.

Mrs. Gay said that Charles was a good student. "You just had to put the work in front of him and he would do it," she said, but quickly added that Charles was "mischievous enough to be interesting. He knew when to stop, though, and that was good."

Mrs. Gay said that in the

eight grade you can look at a boy or girl and generally tell what kind of adult they are going to be. And in Charles' case, she said, "he is just as he was in the eighth grade, a fine, fine young man."

Coach Gordon Wood, now coaching at Brownwood, coached Charles on the Stamford High football team. Coach Wood said that Charles was a "real good football player and a fine guy." But at the same time, Coach Wood said, "he was a really good student, too."

Charles played end, and the team won their division state championship twice under Coach Wood while Charles played.

Wood said: "I wish I could vote for him." Wood indicated that Brownwood is not in the congressional district or he would vote for Charles.

Charles' high school principal, J. W. Simpson, who is now the Assistant Superintendent at Weatherford ISD, remembered Charles as a "super student." Simpson recalled that Charles

had been given the American Farmer award by the Future Farmers of America, "the highest award FFA gives out," he said.

Charles "wasn't all that quiet," Simpson said, "but he was a good boy" and "very serious about education."

Did Charles show an interest in farming from a practical point of view? "All the way," Dr. L. M. Hargraves, retired professor of vocational agriculture, said. "Charles was raised on a farm," he said.

Dr. Hargraves remembered that Charles used to show hogs while in high school, and Dr. Hargraves judged some of those shows and knew Charles even before he came to Tech from Tarleton. Dr. Hargraves laughingly recalled that "Charles didn't think I placed them right all the time."

Dr. Hargraves summed up his attitude about Charles when he said that "we need some more people like him in Congress."

Charles finished his bachelors and masters in vocational agriculture at Tech and began teaching in Avoca. James E. Connel, currently superintendent of schools in Blackwell, was superintendent in Avoca while Charles taught there.

Charles, Connel remembers, was, "if not the best, one of the best Ag teachers I ever had. He did his job and never complained about extra duties. In fact, I'd like to have a whole school full like him."

Having known schools both as a student and a teacher, Charles has left a good impression with those who associated with him during those years.

But what of Charles' concern for education during his adult years as a farmer in Stamford? Don Howard, Superintendent of Stamford ISD, has been "real pleased with Charles" and Charles' involvement in the community. Charles has been active in Stamford on behalf of education, especially agricultural projects, Howard said; and, further, Howard added: "Charles will represent the interests of small towns in Congress."

Howard said that he and Charles have talked on several occasions about educational problems in the area and what, if anything, Congress could do about them. Both agree that the federal government intervenes too much into local school affairs, but, Howard said, "if the school districts must have federal money, the money should be distributed at the discretion of the local district according to the needs of that local district."

Whatever the future holds for Charles Stenholm will be decided by the voters, but those who have known him in the schools where he learned and taught agree that he is the man for the job.

And they would agree with Mrs. Gay, who remembered of Charles that all you had to do was "give him an assignment and he did it."

Cindy Leads Busy Life

Up until a few weeks ago, Cindy Stenholm was a housewife, seeing to the care and feeding of a husband and three children and taking care of their home in Stamford. Now she is all of this plus the wife of a candidate for Congress. And while Cindy says that she is trying to hold up her share of the campaigning, she is not neglecting her job as a housewife.

In reply to the question of how she is able to keep up with the kids and the house, she replied: "I'm behind. The kids are alright, but the house — I've had to let it go a few times. After being out campaigning, I'm not in the mood to hit the house and clean after going somewhere. I'm mentally thinking about other things. But I get everything done eventually. Right now I'm looking at some dirty dishes, and Courtney Ann (age 6) wants me to make some cookies. So I'll wash the dishes and make cookies and be ready to go again at 5:30."

Cindy's hobby is painting, something that she has not had time to do for several weeks. However, one of the luxuries that she is allowing herself during the campaign is a week's workshop in February. "I'm going to do that," she said.

Cindy designed the house that she and Charlie moved into in 1967, and some of her paintings decorate the walls.

She knew that campaigning would be tough. Although nothing in her past experience prepared her for the campaign trail, she said, she has read several articles about it. Anxiety is a big problem, and having someone to talk to is helpful. She said that when she is with Charlie she knows that she "questions him to death," but she tries to keep up with whatever is going on in the campaign.

Campaigning has its positive side, too. Cindy said that she is losing weight; that she "loves going and doing — getting dressed up and going out. I have a feeling that I am contributing when I am out with Charlie."

"The children miss their daddy," she said, "but they have accepted the campaign and have adjusted very well. Courtney Ann is a good campaigner — a definite asset."

Cindy said that her spirits are up and down, depending on how the day has gone for Charlie, but that she is willing to assume the larger role for her that is sure to come as Charlie gets deeper into the campaign. Although she has been traveling a great deal lately, much more than before the campaign, she will be doing more in February, March, and April. "Wherever Charlie can't go, I'll go."

Regardless of the changes that have come into her life in the past few weeks, Cindy has one constant problem — one that she had even before the campaign and one that is shared by almost every mother and homemaker — "I think of all the things that I have to do, and then I worry about what to do first."



CINDY STENHOLM

Life Sketch Of Stenholm

Charles Stenholm's family has tilled the soil of Jones County ever since the turn of the century when his grandparents, of Swedish descent, the August Stenholms and the Fritz Olsons, settled on the land a few miles east of Stamford. Lambert Stenholm married Irene Olson in 1937, and like many second generation families, the young couple wanted to be near people of similar background. They chose to live in their home Swedish Lutheran community called Ericksdahl.

Charles Stenholm was born in 1938 and was reared on the family farm. His formal education began in the Stamford Schools and in 1957 he was graduated from Stamford High School.

During high school Charles was active in athletics and the Future Farmers of America, rising to Chapter and District President, and receiving the State Farmer and American Farmer Degree, the highest level of achievement. He also played end on Gordon Wood's Stamford Bulldogs, the first Class AA football team ever to win two state championships.

After high school, Charles entered and eventually was graduated from Tarleton State College in Stephenville, then a two-year institution, where he served as President of his class.

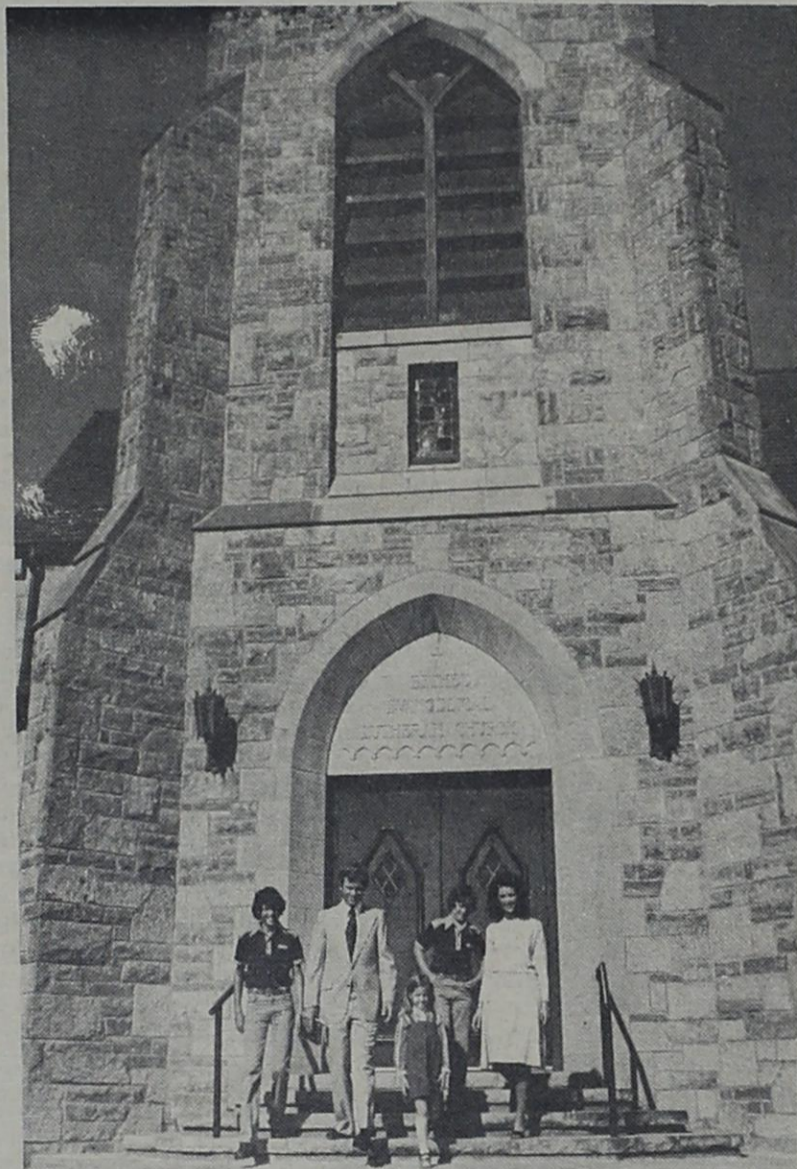
From there he went on to Texas Tech where he studied agricultural education.

In 1961, Charles received his Bachelor of Science degree. He then remained at Tech for another year of concentrated study that resulted in his Master of Science degree.

Charles Stenholm recognizes two major influences in his early life — his father, Lambert Stenholm, and his pastor, Dr. Hugo B. Haterius.

Dr. Haterius, who led the small congregation at Bethel Lutheran for over a half century, was an outstanding rural pastor, and always a leader in State and National affairs.

Lambert Stenholm was an example both as a father and a citizen.



Stenholms Go To Lutheran Church

Charles Stenholm worships each Sunday at the same church he has attended virtually all his life — the large stone sanctuary of the Bethel Lutheran Church in the Ericksdahl community.

The Stenholm family farm is near Ericksdahl and it was in this Swedish settlement that Charles was reared. His father, Lambert Stenholm, was, until his death, very active in Bethel Lutheran, a congregation that

was led for 55 years by one of the state's most outstanding rural pastors, the late Dr. Hugo B. Haterius.

Charles himself is a member of the church's governing council and regularly teaches an adult Sunday School class.

Charles believes that the home and the church are important in teaching the sort of values that help both children and adults through life.

Hundreds Of Stenholm's Neighbors At Announcement Rally In Stamford



BILL LONGLEY

Longley Known Over District

Charles Stenholm is serious about running for Congress and becoming the kind of congressman who knows and understands his congressional district. Strong evidence of this seriousness is his choice of a campaign manager.

Charles asked Bill Longley, owner and operator of Longley's Drive-In Grocery in Stamford, to manage the campaign.

The tendency in many campaigns is to hire a professional manager from one of the urban centers, but Charles knew that no professional would know the district as well as Longley.

Bill Longley is a volunteer campaign manager with a long history of volunteer work. Governor Dolph Briscoe must have been aware of Longley's experience as a volunteer when the Governor named Longley to serve on the Texas Commission for the Blind. And Lions International, famous for its service to the blind, recognized Longley's voluntary service to his community in 1977 when he received Lions' highest international award, the Ambassador of Good Will Award, recognizing his past service as District Governor, perfect attendance for 16 years, and his having received three Presidential Awards.

Longley knows everyone in town, and he can boast that several generations of Stamfordites have come into his store while in grade school, on through high school, and as adults.

Charles Stenholm was one of those youngsters who frequented Longley's Drive-In Grocery.

And that is one of the reasons why Longley accepted Charles' offer to manage the campaign; because Bill has known Charles for so long, has seen him grow up in the community, and knows what kind of man he is.

"I believe in the young man," Longley said. "He is an honest young man and will represent the district. I've known Charles all of his life, but during the last few weeks since he announced for the race I have gotten to know him better than ever before, and all for the good," he added.

Longley has always worked for the things that he believes will benefit his community; and he definitely believes Charles Stenholm will do that.

ran for school board and lost to Don Starr. But Charles added that he was thankful that "the man who won that race, Don Starr, is on my side tonight. He has accepted a key place of responsibility in our campaign, and his help, along with all of you, is so vitally necessary."

So many people had helped prepare for this night. The free hot dogs with chili had been prepared by volunteers. Wagons and trailers had been contributed for the stage and the bandstand. Dozens of hats with Stenholm signs had been prepared. Those people who agreed to clean up after the rally certainly contributed to the overall success of the evening, and "Charlie's Angels," who had originated the idea and followed through with it, surprised the Stenholm family and added youthful enthusiasm to the rally.

The rally symbolized a beginning, even though Charles told them that he had been actively thinking and seeking advice about the race some weeks before the rally. The announcement statement let the townfolk know that one of their own, a product of a farming community, Stamford, one of the small towns that spread throughout the 33 counties in the 17th District, had decided to seek the seat in Congress that the retiring Omar Burleson would vacate after 32 years of service.

The responsibility that he would assume if elected, he said, was awesome. But I pledge to you, to my family, to God — I shall do my best."

as "Charlie's Angels" added to the enjoyment of those gathered in this small town to help send off one of their own in his bid for Congress.

The people of Stamford contributed their money to Charles Stenholm as well as their moral support that evening. During the 48 hours prior to the rally, and right up to the time Charles made his announcement, Jones County and Stamford residents contributed over \$12,000 to help Charles start his campaign. These contributions came from over 600 contributors with many of them around at the rally.

Sharing the platform with Charles that evening were Cindy, his wife, and the kids:

Courtney Ann, 6; Cary, 11; and Chris, 15.

Charles had a special thanks to the people of Stamford: "I cannot find words to express how humbled I am by your confidence, your encouragement, your love. I'm proud of my hometown. I'm proud of my area — all of you have helped us so much through the years. You've helped provide the atmosphere in which Cindy and I have been privileged to rear our children."

Charles drew some laughter when he reminded his audience that they knew his "track record" in running for office had not been good in the past, referring to the time when he

Charles Stenholm spoke to over 1,000 of the 4,500 residents of Stamford, his hometown, at the close of an Indian summer day on October 3, 1977, and announced his intention to run for Congress from the 17th Congressional District of Texas.

Beginning around 6 p.m., people began to gather on the square to enjoy hot dogs, soft drinks, and live music. Farmers with cotton to get in could not attend much of the festivities, but many of them honked as they drove by pulling their trailers.

Children chased dogs and dogs chased children around the grounds, a band played, and a group of high school girls carrying signs identifying themselves



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