

## Charles Underwoods To Mark 50th Anniversary

## Ann Midkiff and William Lee Jay Repeat Vows



Mr. and Mrs. Charles Underwood will mark their 50th wedding anniversary Saturday, January 24, 1976 with an open house at the Currency Room at the First National Bank from 2 to 5 p. m.

Hosting the celebration will be their son, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Charles Underwood of Sweeney and grandchildren, Mr. and Mrs. Terry Underwood of Houston and Mr. and Mrs. Doug Autrey of Angleton.

Miss Ann Marie Midkiff of Arlington, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Midkiff of Cisco, and William Lee Jay, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Jay of Gorman, pledged wedding vows December 26, 1975 at 7:30 p. m. in the home of the bridegroom's parents, Rev. Jerry Clinton, Youth Director of the First Baptist Church of Weatherford, officiated at the double ring ceremony.

A reception was held in the home immediately following the wedding. Serving as honor attendants were Miss Ina Midkiff of Stephenville, sister of the bride, and James Jay of Gorman, served as best man for his brother.

Attending the wedding were members of the family, parents of the bride, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Midkiff, parents of the groom, Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Jay, and brother, Bobby Jay; a sister, Mr. and Mrs. Mike McCormick and grandmother, Mrs. Dick Jay, all of Gorman; an uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Jay, Phala and Kelly of Oklahoma City; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Midkiff and Mr. and Mrs. Preston Midkiff of Cisco and also friends, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Frossard and Mr. and Mrs. Keith Whitt.

The bride is a graduate of Cisco High and Tarleton State University, and the bridegroom is a graduate of Gorman High and Texas Tech, and is presently working on his Masters degree at Tarleton.

The couple will make their home in Stephenville.

Plans are beginning to unfold for the Chamber of Commerce "Farmer of the Year Banquet."

The banquet has been set for Saturday, February 14, 1976 at 7:30 p. m. in the high school gym. It will be a barbecue dinner catered by Delton Underwood.

The Chamber of Commerce feels fortunate in securing Congressman Omar Burleson as speaker for the event.

Tickets will be \$3.25 per plate. Ann Maxfield will be in charge of ticket sales. Tickets are now available.

Mark your calendar now and plan to attend.

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## Sen Tom Creighton Announces For Re-Election

State Senator Tom Creighton of Mineral Wells filed for re-election to the office of State Senator, 22nd Senatorial District, with the State Democratic Executive Committee this morning.

His formal announcement will be made at a later date.

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## Johnnie Morren To Seek Office Of County Sheriff

Johnnie Morren, Chief of Police of the City of Eastland for the past several years, has authorized the Progress to announce that he is a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Eastland County, subject to action of the Democratic Primary.

Mr. Morren stated that he would make his formal statement at a later date.

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## Homemaker's Hints

Mrs. Janet Thomas, County Home Dem. Agent

The Eastland County Home Demonstration Club members have recently purchased a brone directory for the county courthouse. A special dedication program is being planned for March 2, 1976 at 2 p. m. in the courthouse lobby. This has been a county-wide project which the HD Clubs have been working toward for several years with additional money raising projects.

After the dedication program a reception honoring HD Club women will be held. Displays of early day home demonstration club projects and activities will be exhibited.

HD members serving on the dedication committee are: Mrs. T. L. Hale, chairman; Miss Willie Word, Mrs. H. H. Harrelson, Mrs. Arlin Birt, Mrs. Ray Judia, all of Cisco; Mrs. H. E. Hartzell, Morton Valley; Mrs. Zelma Lusk and Mrs. Troy Cross, of Eastland; and Mrs. Cujlen Rodgers of Kokomo. Also attending the meeting were Mrs. Ernest Schaefer and Mrs. J. E. Stansell of Cisco.

Mrs. Bernard Campbell and Mrs. Nettie Berry represented Eastland County at a district training and planning meeting for HD Council Chairmen and County THDA Chairmen.

The ladies attending represented 18 counties, and plans were developed for the Spring District THDA meeting. The Spring meeting will be at the State 4-H Center at Lake Brownwood on March 31.

Mrs. Bernard Campbell, Eastland County HD Council Chairman, is serving as district secretary.

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## Fun For Jimmy Warren Underway

Jimmy Warren, who has been ill for the past year, entered Scott and White Hospital in Temple for further tests on Thursday, January 8. He is diagnosed as having a very rare facial cancer and is now taking radium treatments and will be transferred to a Houston hospital approximately January 27th.

Due to the extreme high medical expenses and the fact that Jimmy has been unable to work, a fund has been started for Jimmy in Gorman, Moran, Eastland and Carbon. The fund was started Monday in Gorman and as of Wednesday noon \$2,259.00 had been raised in Gorman and we did not have a reporter from the other cities.

Those who have not had the opportunity to make a contribution and would like to do so may make it to First National Bank, Gorman, or at Seven Eleven Grocery and Brown's Feed Store.

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## AIRMAN MIKE SHIPMAN GRADUATES FROM USAF MECHANIC COURSE

WICHITA FALLS — Airman Michael L. Shipman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lendon Shipman of Gorman, Texas, has graduated at Sheppard AFB, Texas, from the U. S. Air Force aircraft mechanic course conducted by the Air Training Command.

The airman, who learned to maintain and service turboprop aircraft, is being assigned to Dyess AFB, Texas, for duty with a unit of the Military Airlift Command.

Airman Shipman is a 1975 graduate of Gorman High School. (USAF Home Town News Center.)

Mike visited in Gorman last week with his parents.

## GORMAN B TEAM WINS OVER RISING STAR

In the B Team Boys game the Gorman Panthers defeated the Rising Star Wildcats by the margin of 59-48. Blaine Gibbs was high point man for Gorman with 19. Ricky Troutman, Steve Keith and Charles White each pitched in 12. Kenny Good had 2 and Randy Green, 2.

The B team has entered the Rising Star Tournament to be played January 23-24.

## Rites Today For Mary Mehaffey

Mrs. Mary Mehaffey, 75, passed away at 9:50 p. m. on Tuesday, January 13, 1976 in Eastland Memorial Hospital.

Funeral services will be held Thursday (today) at 2:00 p. m. in First United Methodist Church with the pastor, Rev. Bob Cope, officiating. Interment will be in the Gorman Cemetery.

Mrs. Mehaffey was born September 22, 1900 in Cyclone Community in Bell County and was married to Z. O. Mehaffey in February, 1928. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church and had lived in Gorman for approximately 50 years.

She was preceded in death by her husband and a daughter, Betty Ruth.

Survivors are three sons, Harold Mehaffey of Laguna Beach, Calif., Gene of Old Ocean and Wilbur of San Antonio; a brother, F. C. Mobley of Putnam; and a sister, Betty Mobley of Mason.

Palbearers will be Jerry, Joe and Mike Mehaffey, James Mears, Graydon Baze, George Simmons and George Elbert Bennett.

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## USDA To Okay Peanut Transfers

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) has announced that the Eastland County Committee of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Services (ASCS) may begin approving transfers of peanut acreage for the 1976 crop year. An earlier announcement had prohibited the ASCS County Committee from approving such transfers citing that changes in the peanut program are under consideration by the peanut industry which may lead to new peanut legislation.

The ASCS County Committee has been instructed to notify parties involved in the transfer that in the event Congress changes the present law, the acreage transferred may be different. No timetable was given as to when any change could be expected.

Peanut transfers, which the announcement authorizes, may be transferred within the same county by lease, sale, or owner transfers. Peanut acreages are transferred on a poundage basis with adjustments made for differences in productivity of the farms involved.

The authorization by USDA to allow peanut transfers also authorized the reapportionment of peanut acreage released to the ASCS County Committee. USDA had previously denied the reapportionment of released peanut acreage citing the same reasons as for prohibiting the transfer of peanut acreage.

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## Kokomo HD Club Enjoys "Recycling Clothes" Program

The Kokomo Home Demonstration Club met in the home of Mrs. J. C. Clearman January 12, 1976 at 2 p. m.

The president, Mrs. Cullen Rodgers, opened the meeting leading the club motto, pledge and creed. Mrs. D. F. Eaves voiced the opening prayer. Mrs. Ois Rodgers read the devotional, John 15:1-10.

Roll call was answered by "One Gal I Have For 1976."

Mrs. Albert Hendricks read the minutes and gave the treasurer's report. Mrs. J. C. Rodgers gave Council report. The dedication of the New Eastland County Directory will be Tuesday, March 2 at 2 p. m. There will be a tea following the meeting for all the Eastland County HD ladies. All the past HD Club Books will be on display.

The club will decorate table No. 7 for the "Farmer of the Year Banquet" at Gorman on February 14th.

The club voted to send \$25 to the Jimmy Warren Fund.

Mrs. Janet Thomas, County Extension Agent, gave a very interesting program, "Recycling Clothes."

Mrs. Clearman served delicious refreshments to members and guests, Mrs. Thomas.

The club plans to have the Annual New Supper in February.

The next meeting will be at Lawndale January 29th. at 2 p. m. to help residents having January birthdays celebrate.

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## NEVA JOINER MEETS PRESIDENT FORD IN INDONESIA

Neva Joiner of Jakarta, Indonesia, sixth grader and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Joiner, was honored to be selected from a class of 72 students to meet President Ford when he visited Indonesia in December. Mr. Kissinger was also in the president's party.

She was also chosen as a hostess to help decorate the American Ambassador's tree for Christmas, which is also deemed a great honor.

Neva's grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Bill Joiner, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Files and great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Nath McMullen, all of Gorman.

## PANTHERS TO PLAY TONIGHT AT 7 AT PUTNAM IN DISTRICT

The Rising Star girls outscored the Gorman girls on Thursday night in the first round of District 24-B by a score of 45 to 40. Lisa Warren led Gorman with 17 points. Delah Eaves had 13, and Enid Williams, 10. P. Hill was high scorer for Rising Star with 23 points.

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She was a resident of Eastland since 1935. She was a member of the Full Gospel Church in Eastland.

Survivors include her husband; a son, Tommy Jr. of Eastland; a daughter, Mrs. Billy (Joyce) Dennis of Gorman; a sister, Martha Gray of Cisco; five grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Palbearers were Hubert Kendrick, Phil Kendrick, John Russell, Bo Russell, Clarence Penn and Samuel Harris.

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In the boys game the Gorman Panthers defeated the Wildcats by the score of 77 to 57. Mel Maxfield led Gorman with 14 points; Scott Marble had 12; Kirk Arnold, 10; Gary Jackson, 10; David Good, 7; and Timmy Swanner 4. Griffin led Rising Star with 15 points.

In Tuesday night's action the Pantherettes were defeated by the Carbon girls by a margin of 55 to 41. This loss leaves Gorman with a 0 and 2 district record.

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## Junior Hi Cagers Overwhelm Carbon

In first district action the Gorman boys outscored the Carbon team 42-21 with Steve Keith hitting 15 points for Gorman. Jay Dickerson and Steve Watson each hit the net for 6, Steve Spivey, 4, Louis Ramirez, 6, John Perez, 2, Bob Hagood, 2, and David Pettit, 1.

Ishmael was high pointer for Carbon.

In the girls game Gorman took an early lead in the ball game and scored a 41-8 win over Carbon.

Susan Snider led Gorman with 9 points; Amy Warren and Shari Guthery had 8 each. Kelly Mauney, 6, Carla Good and Vicki Brown, 3 each, and Bethany Gibbs, 2.

The Junior Hi teams will play Moran at Moran Tuesday, January 20th at 7 p. m.

Lisa Warren led Gorman with 16; Deliah Eaves had 12 and Enid Williams, 11. Pack led Carbon with 27 points.

The Gorman boys remained undefeated in District 24-B action by easing past the Wolverines 86 to 46. Bruce Gibbs had an outstanding night at the nets, scoring 30 points for the Panthers, while Mel Maxfield had 16, Revis Laminack, 14, David Good, 7, Gary Jackson and Timmy Swanner each had 4, and Chuck Troutman, 2.

The Gorman Panthers will take their undefeated district record to Putnam tonight, Thursday, at 7 p. m. against the Putnam Panther, who also boast an undefeated district record. Gorman is 12-5 on the season. This should be an outstanding game and promises to be an exciting one for the fans.

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## Hospital Auxiliary Activities

The Blackwell Hospital Auxiliary met on Thursday, January 8 at 3:00 p. m. at the Blackwell Hospital.

It was reported that five Candy Strippers have completed more than 50 hours of volunteer service and received Certifications of Appreciation and fifty hour pins to be worn on their uniforms. The Candy Strippers receiving these pins were Bethany Gibbs, Alecia Cornwell, Sherry Jackson, Norman Dennis and Joan Crawford.

The musical doll donated to the auxiliary by Mr. and Mrs. Jim Fonville, was won by Mr. Edgar Higginbottom on Christmas Eve. A total of \$50 was raised with the doll. The Portable X-Ray Machine Fund has grown to \$1307.28.

Plans were made to decorate a table at the Farmers Banquet in February. One new member was added to the rolls, making a total of fifteen adult volunteers and nine candy strippers in the auxiliary.

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## ITEMS OF INTEREST

Farmers Union meeting will be held at 7 p. m. Saturday, January 17th in the Soil Conservation Bldg. Ross Wilson will be guest speaker on the changes in the Peanut Program Legislation.

The Kokomo Community Club will meet Monday, January 19th at 7 p. m.

The City Commission will meet Thursday, January 15 at 7:00 a. m.

The Gorman Lions Club will meet Tuesday, January 20 at noon at the Band Hall.

Singing at the Congregational Methodist Church will be held Sunday, January 18 at 2:00 p. m.

The Gorman Fire Department will meet Monday, Jan. 19th.

BOY SCOUT ORGANIZATION — All boys between the ages of 10 and 18 are invited to become a part of the Boy Scout Troup being organized in Gorman. A representative of the Area Council will be in Gorman this Friday evening to talk to boys and their parents. All boys interested in joining the Boy Scouts should contact Kim Cockerham or Richard Arnold for further details.

The Girl Scout Cadettes are selling 1976 Girl Scout Calendars for \$1.00 each in an effort to build their treasury. Please help them out by buying a calendar from a...

## LOCAL NEWS

Mrs. J. Frank Dean has returned from a three week visit in Whiteface with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Neal Rose. During the Christmas holidays all the families were home for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Boyd visited Sunday in San Angelo with her brother, Gene Gilder. Mrs. Will Hayes has returned home from an extended visit in Whitney with her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Caile of Fort Ord, Calif. spent this week with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hudson and Patricia. Mr. Caile is a U. S. Army retiree and after visiting here last summer he liked this part of Texas so well, he and his wife Suzie, purchased a home with small acreage at Comyn. Mr. Caile is a native of Virginia and Mrs. Caile is from Korea. We welcome this lovely couple to our area.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Higginbottom attended the Texas Championship Tractor Pull last weekend in San Antonio. While there they were able to tour many sites such as The Alamo, The Museum of Transportation, and also The Tower of America. Returning home, they stopped at the zoo and were fortunate enough to catch a tour of the LBJ boyhood home, his first school, the LBJ Ranch, known as the Texas White House, and also the cemetery of the LBJ family.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bennett attended the Battle of Songs in Fort Worth on Saturday night.



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**FOR SALE** - '62 Chevy Pickup, short bed, six cyl. Dennis Frasier, 734-2543. 1-8fnc  
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Fur Buyer will be in Gorman at The Pantry each Saturday from 3:00 p. m. till 3:30 p. m. beginning December 6th. We buy green and dry Furs of all kinds. Skin CASE ALL FURS. (like opossums), NOT OPEN UP THE MIDDLE. We also buy deer hides. WELL handled furs bring TOP PRICES! Northwestern Fur Co., Colorado City, Texas.

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**FOR SALE** at the Progress Office - All Purpose Heavy-Duty Staple Gun Tacker. It shoots a staple wherever you'd drive a nail.

**FOR SALE** - 1968 Ford, six cylinder Pickup, 4 speed with good all purpose tires. Foy True, 734-2384. 1-8fnc

**FOR SALE** - '73 LTD hard top, power air, 28,000 miles, top condition, \$3,000. Larry Morrow, 629-1959. 3-1-22p

**FOR SALE** - 1973 Grand Prix SJ. One owner car. Contact James W. Mears, 734-2517. 1-8-fnc

**FOR LEASE** - 100 acres land 59 1/2 peanut allotment. Near Gorman. Contact Cogburn Realty, De Leon, Texas, 893-6666 or 893-5898. 2-1-15c

**FOR RENT** - Mobil home space. Storage space available. Mrs. Sunny Kellogg, call 734-2347. 10-9fnc

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**NEED HELP** with your income tax? See Altha Wilkerson Tax Service, De Leon, 893-6588. 1-15fnc

**3 CUDDLY LITTLE KITTENS** need a home. If you need one or call, call 734-2401 after 5 p. m. nc

**GARAGE SALE** - The Congregational Methodist Church is holding a Garage Sale at the Bud Cornwell home on Monday and Tuesday, January 19 and 20th in the old Quail Thompson house. 1t

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**FOR SALE** - 80 acres on Kokomo road. 37 acres peanut allotment. A. D. Pittman, 734-2380. 1-15-fnc

## Senior Citizens

I do not know whether I can finish this epistle tonight or not. You see it must have been caused by my tub handles, as my hands and fingers are hurting so bad from using them, or I suppose that is it.

We played 84 two nights last week. Just too cold and old age catching up on us. Granny is still fussing at Murel all the time. Murel said that Fats sold and skinned all of her cats except one. So she needs a few more pelts for that "Joseph's Coat." We have promised to help her out on our next crop, as my Boss has decided to not use any more cat pelts on that quilt.

You see, they are so hard to sew on. Big Foot says he can furnish a few dog skins. He is still on Dog Latin yet, first grade. Mama is trying to learn that also now. Cat Fuzz and Double Six are on the slow list now. Getting old, I suppose.

The office gang has slowed down some. I think Tennessee has traded Tater off. I hope it was a good trade. As you see he was really a good chewer and a nice sideline coach.

Dos has been trying to take that Monarch on a fishing trip. Though no luck so far. Get the Fisherman to use his influence on the deal. Washpot is still the same old crook. Still recycling his alfalfa. Marcy is taking Bats place coaching at the same salary.

I am sorry I missed out on that deal. The Fresh Air Man carried me to victory two days last week. Slim Pickens was on the losing side last week. Bud is still riding the victory crest. He has nearly lost out with Speed, as he cannot win with him. Uncle Sam and The Judge are the same as usual. So honory at times.

In the early part of this century when we lived near Staff (on the place I bought in 1921) there was a young man and a woman (both of age.) they wanted to get married. The father of the girl said, "No, I will kill you if you marry my daughter." Though in about three months they married any way. They moved about one and one-half mile west of where the bride's father lived. They all seemed to be reconciled to the wedding.

About one and one-half years after the wedding, the young couple and their six month old child visited in the father's house on Saturday evening. They all seemed so happy and contented. The mother of the home begged them to stay all night with them. They agreed to stay and said they would have to go home and milk the cows, feed the hogs and chickens. So the father-in-law and the man went to tend the things. When they got there the young man told the older man that the muzzle loader by the door was loaded and ready for the hawk that had been catching his chickens. The young man took a bucket to milk the cow and feed. When he returned to the house the older man had the muzzle loader standing in the door. He said, "I told you I would kill you if you married my daughter." He pulled the trigger but the gun didn't fire. So the young man hit the old man in the face with the bucket of milk. It knocked the older man down and the younger man jumped over him and went to his bed and under the pillow was a 38 pistol. As the old man got up and started at him, the young man fired at about six feet. It ended then and there. The young man was not even billed. This man is buried in Simpson Cemetery.

Incidentally this old man's brother and horse were killed by lightning near Staff. He

## CARD OF THANKS

We want to express our appreciation to everyone for the kindness shown during the illness and passing of our beloved sister, Nancy. To Dr. Pno, Dr. Canut, the nurses and entire hospital staff for the good care and kindness, to Higginbotham Funeral Home and everyone, for the floral offering and to our friends and neighbors for the food brought and served in our home. May God bless you all. The Davis Family

had been to a dance and got off his horse to open a gate when he was killed. He is buried at Simpson.

Look up and smile, as a smile will help you win. Always remember that the sun is shining brightly just beyond those dark stormy clouds. So, be prepared to make it shine in your eyes and the ones you come in contact with.

Remember this is Bi-Centennial Year.  
Honest, Reporter

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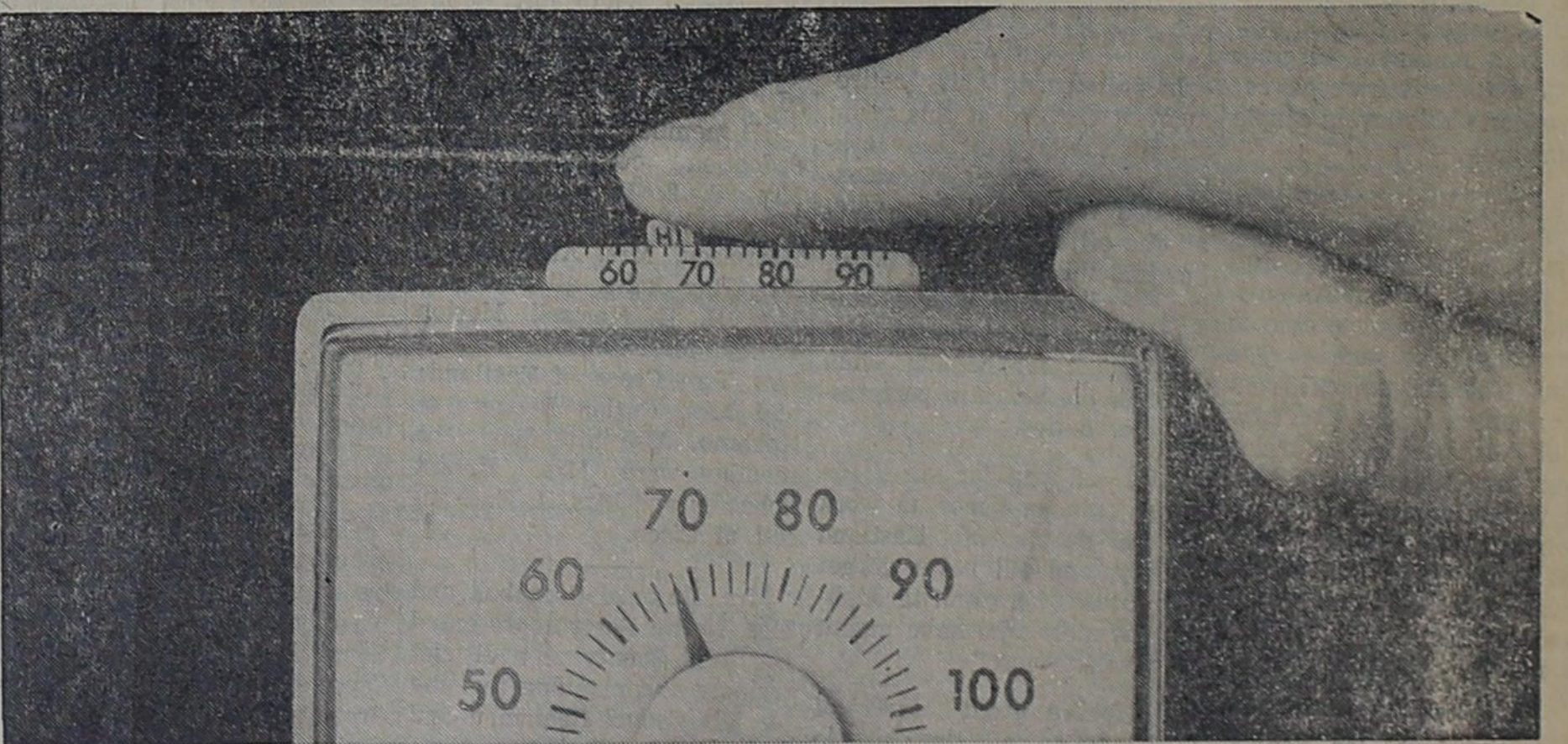
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**CARBON NEWS**

By VELMA HASTINGS

The Carbon School Cafeteria menu for the week of January 19-23 is as follows:

Monday - Macaroni and cheese, green beans, lettuce and tomato salad, wholewheat rolls, butter, chocolate cake and milk.

Tuesday - Sloppy Joes on bun, pinto beans, slaw, cornbread, butter, cookies and milk.

Wednesday - Hamburger steak with gravy, mashed potatoes, corn, hot rolls, butter, peaches and milk.

Thursday - Vegetable soup sandwiches, crackers, cornbread, butter, brownies and milk.

Friday - Fish sticks, black-eyed peas, rice, cinnamon rolls and milk.

So many of our people have been ill. We are glad to report some are able to be out of the hospitals. Buster Johnson, who has had an extended stay in Eastland Memorial Hospital, was able to return home last week. Also Marshall Hickman, who underwent surgery last week in Hendrick Hospital in Abilene, is able to be home now. We are glad for these and hope the others will soon be up again.

Mr. and Mrs. Dulin Sandlin visited in Trinidad during the weekend and attended the wedding of her sister, Mrs. Ruth McCracken and Lee Chiles, both of Trinidad, on Saturday evening.

Joe Weston of Merkel spent Thursday night with Mr. and Mrs. Buck Weston and they all attended the funeral of a brother-in-law, George Reeves, in Comanche on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harbin and Bruce, who have been making their home here, moved to Eastland during the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Hogan and Gene, Jr. have bought a home in Gorman and moved there recently.

We are sorry to see these people move away, but hope they will be very happy in their new homes.

Mr. and Mrs. Palmer Stokes visited Mrs. Ollie Reynolds in De Leon on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Odie Pruitt of Stephenville spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Dick Pruitt.

Attention to all Carbon Boosters! There is to be another "Charlie Ben Supper"

**Lawndale News**

Annis Lasater of De Leon visited Mary Overstreet and Mr. and Mrs. Lasater.

H. M. Curb of Comanche Hackie and Sue Hangle and Clifton Knight visited Claude Curb.

Bernice Rodgers of Gorman Bijly Stacy and Ellie Elliott of Carbon visited Mary Timmons. Ellie Elliott also visited Georgia Leonard.

Rena and Mike Robertson of Odessa visited Lexie Wright. Foster Murry and wife of Eastland visited Alma Vann.

Estelle Dickey of Gustine visited Emma Simmons and Lexie Wright and Vera Goodwin.

Estelle Craddock of Gorman visited Dona Moorman.

Aletha Yarbrough of Gorman visited Emma Simmons and Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Lasater.

Kokomo Baptist Church had worship services at 2:30 Sunday afternoon. The Church of Christ came at 6 o'clock for worship. Monday the GA girls Little Misson came Monday and sang for the residents with their leaders, Bess Curb, Debbie Holliday and Shirley Jones. Tuesday is Bingo day and they all come out for this. Wednesday we had a nice crowd for Bible Study at 2 p. m. Tommy Larner held the study for us. Thursday night was singing night at 6:30 and we had a pretty nice crowd out. We hope to have more this Thursday night and do appreciate everyone for this help. So ya'll come out. There are some who stay in their room most of the week who will come out for singing. So you all come.

Friday I had to do paper work. All I can say for right now is there are lots of wonderful people. When you have friends you are rich.

Monie Warren

in the near future. The ladies of the Booster Club are to meet in the Carbon School Cafeteria Monday morning, January 19 at 9 o'clock to make plans. Hope you will be there.

Members of the Carbon Church of Christ were invited to the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Rodgers for fellowship and coffee after the evening service Sunday evening.

Rev. and Mrs. Lemuel Harrison of Merkel visited Mr. and Mrs. Buck Weston Sunday.

**Desdemona News**

By KOONE GUTHERY

Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Jackson of Bartlesville, Calif. visited his sister, Mr. and Mrs. John Webb over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. John Webb attended the 50th wedding anniversary for Mr. and Mrs. Jodie Penn in Mercury. Mr. and Mrs. Jodie Penn moved to our community about a year ago.

Mrs. Elizabeth Andrews of Huntsville visited her sister, Mrs. W. H. Davis, over the holidays. They had a family dinner on Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Carson Loving and family of Lingleville.

Mr. John Arnold is a patient in De Leon Hospital at this writing. "Get Well Wishes" for you!

Mrs. W. M. Hammond is a patient in the De Leon Hospital. Their sons, Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Hammond and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hammond of Fort Worth, are with her now. "Get Well Wishes" for Lillian.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Reid of Alvin visited his sisters, Mrs. Johnnie Koonce and Mrs. Myrt Reid, the past week.

Jason Grimshaw, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jay Grimshaw was a patient in an Abilene hospital where he had dental work done. But he is home now doing fine.

Mrs. Ewah Sparkman, Mrs. Lorene Koonce of De Leon, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Landers attended the "Battle of Songs" in Fort Worth Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Buckley and children were in Kermit over the weekend to attend the 50th wedding anniversary of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Williams.

Shelly and Emily Horan of Cross Plains visited their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Roberts and Jeff over the weekend.

Mrs. Ola Mae Mearns of Ft. Worth visited her son, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Creed, Saturday evening.

Mr. Sam Yancey is in the Abilene hospital following surgery Friday. "Get Well" soon.

Mrs. Mildred Baker and sister, Mrs. Lois Yoakum of Ft. Worth, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arkie Bayless in Kermit the past week. Arkie was a patient in Scott and White and is now home and resting comfortably.

Our Thought For Today - All people smile in the same language.

**CARD OF THANKS**

I deeply appreciate the kindness shown me during my stay in Blackwell Hospital. Especially Dr. Pino and Dr. Canut and the wonderful staff of nurses and employees. I also want to thank friends for their kindness in sending the flowers, cards and gifts. Your thoughtfulness and concern was genuinely appreciated.

James Jay

**CARD OF THANKS**

I would like so much to take this opportunity to thank everyone for showing such a warm interest in me while I was in the hospital. To Dr. Canut, the wonderful nurses, and for all the cards, good food served and each kind word. To Bro. Wilson for the prayers in my behalf.

Ethel Williams

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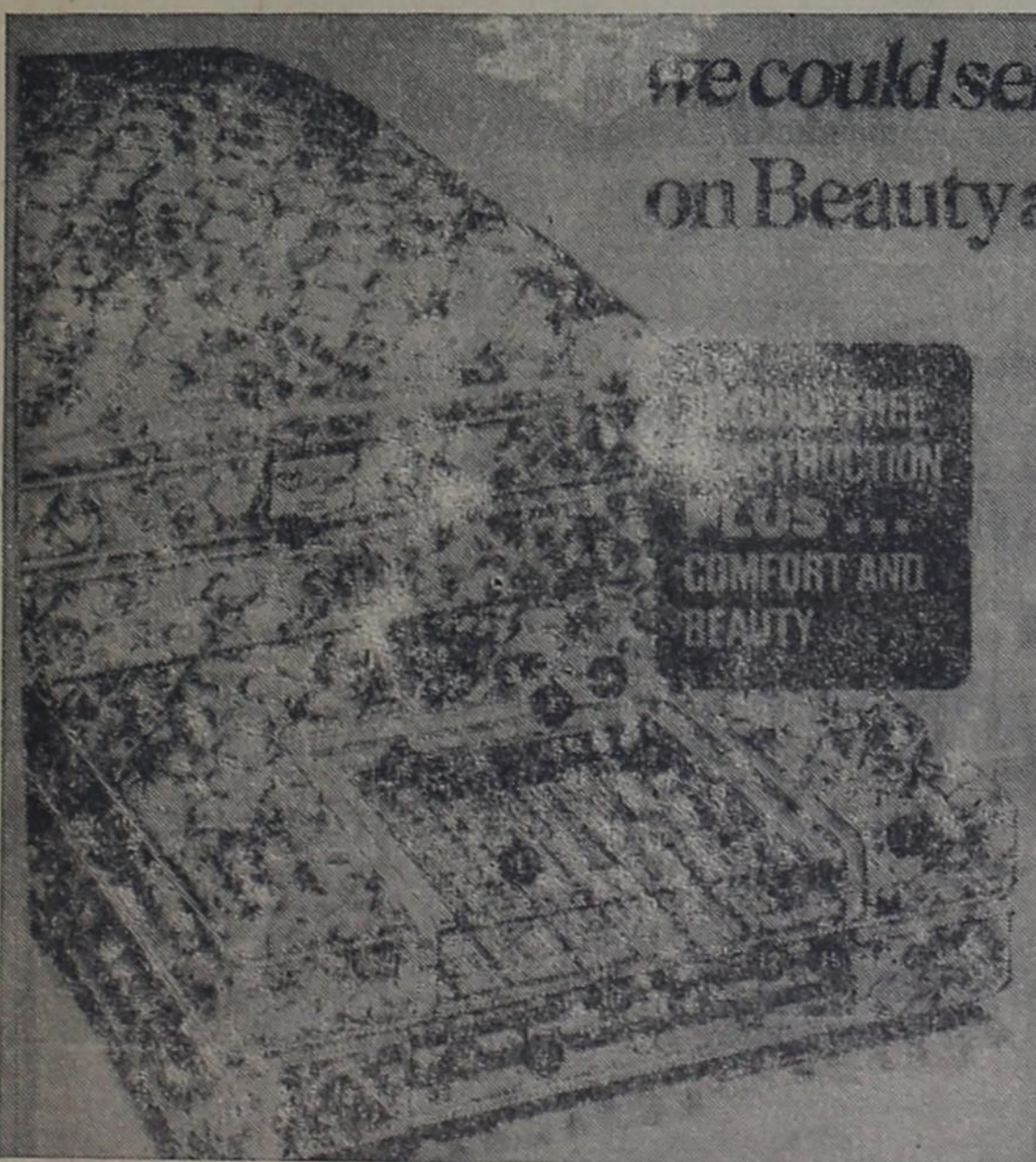
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**News**  
By Mrs. Bill Riddell

Have been unable to write the news for awhile since we found my mother, Ruby Stokes of Lingleville, suffering from a stroke on Christmas Day. She was in the Dublin

Hospital for awhile, then transferred to Harris Hospital in Fort Worth. She is doing better at this time, but will go back to Fort Worth for vascular surgery in a couple of weeks.

Ruby Johnson spent some time recently with her sister and family in Austin. They are Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ross.

Mr. and Mrs. Gifford Johnson and sons were in Winters recently for the funeral of Linda's uncle, Clarence Hill. The family have our deepest sympathy.

Patsy Moon and Dorothy Bays visited Ruby Stokes and Oma Lee Riddell a couple of times last week in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Proctor and sons of Premont spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Morrison.

Loretta Lewajlen of Fort Worth spent the weekend with her mother, Renia Hogg.



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### ASSETS

Cash and due from banks	\$1,034,000.00
U. S. Treasury securities	151,000.00
Obligations of other U. S. Govt. agencies and corps.	293,000.00
Obligations of States and political subdivisions	1,355,000.00
Other securities	5,000.00
Federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell	1,000,000.00
Loans	3,017,000.00
Bank premises, furniture and fixtures, and other assets representing bank premises	258,000.00
Real estate owned other than bank premises	29,000.00
Others Assets	3,000.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$7,145,000.00</b>

### LIABILITIES

Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	\$2,897,000.00
Time and savings deposits of individuals, partnerships and corporations	3,069,000.00
Deposits of U. S. Government	8,000.00
Deposits of States and political subdivisions	637,000.00
Deposits of commercial banks	64,000.00
<b>TOTAL DEPOSITS</b>	<b>6,675,000.00</b>
(a) Total demand deposits	\$3,308,000.00
(b) Total time & savings deposits	\$3,367,000.00
Other liabilities	14,000.00
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$6,689,000.00</b>

Reserve for bad debt losses on loans (set up pursuant to IRS rulings)	\$1,000.00
<b>TOTAL RESERVES ON LOANS AND SECURITIES</b>	<b>\$1,000.00</b>

### CAPITAL ACCOUNTS

Common stock, total par value (No. shares authorized: 500) (No. shares outstanding: 500)	\$50,000.00
Surplus	100,000.00
Undivided profit:	205,000.00
Reserve for contingencies and other capital reserves	100,000.00
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES, RESERVES, AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS</b>	<b>\$7,145,000.00</b>

### MEMORANDA

Average of total deposits for 15 calendar days ending with the call date	\$6,796,000.00
Average of total loans for the 15 calendar days ending with call date	2,915,000.00

I, Peggy Singleton, Cashier of the above-named bank, do hereby declare that this report of condition is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
Peggy Singleton January 9, 1976

We, the undersigned directors attest the correctness of this report of condition. We declare that it has been examined by us, to the best of our knowledge and belief is true and correct, and that it has been or will be published in the manner prescribed by Title 12, U. S. C. 161, within twenty days from the date of the call for report of condition, or as otherwise prescribed by the Comptroller of the Currency.

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