

PANTHERS MEET GROOM IN SEMIFINALS AT IOWA PARK



PRESS POINTS . . .
JOE BENNETT, Publisher

We have been greatly disappointed in the response to the poll on the ambulance service question put to our readers in last week's issue of the Progress. We have gotten some response (all for the ambulance service so far), however we need a call or card from ALL citizens of the area trade area of Gorman to find out the true thinking of all on this important matter.

We attended the Ambulance Committee meeting at the school on Monday evening and I think that the committee has shown very good judgement in seeking to have the Hospital District undertake the responsibility of operating the ambulance service for our area. Much of the necessary equipment and personnel needed for this undertaking is available at the hospital, and also I feel that the taxpayers share of the cost of operation of our ambulance service will be apportioned a lot more evenly by running it through the Hospital District instead of just the city. After all, all the citizens of our area will benefit by the ambulance service, so the hospital district boundaries will cover more of the area to be served.

Volunteers are needed now to start this thing rolling and if you are willing to help, please call Richard Arnold at the hospital and he will fill you in on the details.

Folks, we MUST have ambulance service for our area and unless we do something NOW, we will be out of ambulance service by January 1. Let's all pitch in and do what is necessary for us to be assured of having ambulance service in the future.

It may cost us all a little more each year for ambulance service, but it will be very little in comparison of not having an ambulance for our area.

Personally, I don't think any hospital district taxpayer will mind a small increase in taxes (if it is necessary) so that we can be assured of having ambulance service.

According to a report from the peanut industry, there is an awful lot of freeze damaged peanuts being brought to market. The weather that we had had recently sure made havoc of what would otherwise have been a very good peanut crop. This weather, however has sure put a dent in the expected outcome of the peanut crop, not only around here, but all over the state.

Maybe the remaining peanuts to be harvested can be dug and harvested (God willing) and at least a lot of these peanuts can be gotten in before more bad weather hits.

Those Panthers just seem to be rolling right along toward their goal of attaining the State Championship of Class B. This is a lofty goal that has been set for our football team, but we think that their goal will become a reality and that the State Crown will be theirs when the final whistle is blown on the final game of the season.

When you see one of the boys, pat him on the back, tell him we are proud of him and wish him the best of luck in the remaining games.

See you at Iowa Park on Friday night at 7:30.

And remember to smile because God Loves You!

AMBULANCE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD

The Gorman Ambulance Committee met on Monday, November 29th at 7 p. m. in the High School Auditorium. About thirty committee members and interested individuals were present.

Mr. John Wood and Dean Goldman from Ranger Junior College met with the committee. Mr. Wood outlined the training program required for Emergency Care Attendants and Emergency Medical Technicians needed to man the ambulance. Mr. Wood and Dr. Goldman offered the services of Ranger Junior College in assisting to train volunteers and paid personnel required to operate the ambulance here in Gorman. A tentative plan to start a training class in Gorman the first of January was discussed.

After considerable discussion on the expected cost of operating the ambulance it was generally agreed that someone will have to pay the bills. A proposal was made that the committee recommend that the Hospital District assume the responsibility for the operation of the ambulance and the city assist by helping to supply fuel, oil and maintenance as required to operate the ambulance. Immediate steps should be taken by volunteers and hospital personnel to obtain their chauffeur drivers license and short courses in first aid and how to drive the ambulance. These short courses will be offered at the hospital.

It was pointed out that if the committee's recommendation is accepted by the Board of Directors of the Hospital District, an additional financial burden will be placed on the taxpayers of the District. The committee felt this would be a more even way to allot the cost of operation to all the taxpayers who will be using the ambulance. The size of this additional financial burden will be determined by the annual audit of the hospital's financial records at the end of this fiscal year, in July 1977. It is hoped that Hospital District taxes will not have to be greatly increased at that time.

Members of the committee plan to present this proposal to the City Council on Thursday, Dec. 2 at the City Council meeting, and the Special Meeting of the Hospital Board of Directors to be held on Tuesday, December 7 at 7:00 p. m. at the hospital.

Another meeting of the Ambulance Committee will be called after the decisions from



GORMAN' FFA FARM RADIO TEAM PLACES FIRST IN CONTEST — The Gorman FFA Chapter Radio Team composed of Stacy Webb, left, David Good and Randy Green won First Place in the Area Contest held Nov. 23 at Tarleton State University. This qualifies them to compete at the State Contest at Sam Houston University at Huntsville on December 4.

WANTED: VOLUNTEERS to serve as Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT) and Emergency Care Attendants (ECA) for the Emergency Medical Service Ambulance in Gorman.

AMBULANCE COMMITTEE MEETING: There will be a meeting of the Ambulance Committee at the Gorman High School Auditorium on Monday, November 29 at 7:00 p. m. All members of the committee and interested citizens of the Gorman trade area are urged to be present.

LAST RITES FOR PETE HERRING ON MONDAY

Finis (Pete) Herring, 65, of Breckenridge, a lifetime resident of Stephens County, died at 6:30 p. m. Saturday, Nov. 27, 1976, at the VA Hospital in Big Spring after a lengthy illness.

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Monday at Melton Chapel of Memories in Breckenridge with the Rev. Buford Bush of St. Paul United Methodist Church officiating. Burial was in Moon Cemetery. Born June 28, 1911, in Breckenridge, he was the son of John Benton Herring and Maude Liles Herring. He married Corene Pennington Oct. 8, 1943 in Breckenridge. He was a rancher and farmer.

He was a member of Calvary Baptist Church and a veteran of World War II.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Wynall Wade of Abilene; two sisters, Jessie Newton of Albuquerque, N. M., and Willie Henry of Moran; four brothers, Robert of Gorman, Jay of Moran, Marvin of Clyde and Dan of Breckenridge, and three grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Hamilton Hefner, Troy Allen, Byrel Hitson, Melvin Glenn, Roy Pendleton and Carol McKee.

Graveside Rites Swanner Infant Held on Friday

Rhonda Lynn, twin daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Swanner, was still born at 5:29 p. m. November 24 in the Ranger General Hospital. She weighed 2 pounds and 13 ounces. A twin sister, Linda Gail, was born at 5:24 p. m. and weighed 6 pounds and 7 1/4 ounces.

Graveside rites for Rhonda Lynn was held at 10 a. m. Friday at Henson Cemetery, near Proctor, with Harry Snow, Church of Christ minister of Abilene, officiating. Higginbotham Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Survivors are her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Swanner, and sisters, Debra Ann and Linda Gail; grandmothers, Mrs. C. M. Swanner of Gorman and Mrs. Geil Wildman of Decatur, Nebraska. Mrs. Wildman has been visiting with the Swanner family for the past month.

The City Council and Hospital Board are made.

More details on this will be published as son as they are available.

SANTA CLAUS TO VISIT HERE ON DEC. 11

Santa Claus will make his annual visit to Gorman on Saturday, December 11, and will have gifts of candy for the children in the area.

He will arrive at 2:00 p. m. on the Fire Truck and after visiting with the children on the streets and passing out bags of goodies, he will be in Lasater's Department Store to visit with any child that would like to express his wishes as what he would like to have for Christmas.

All children of the area are invited to be here and meet Santa.

—GP—

CARD OF THANKS

Ray joins me in a special thanks to everyone for the prayers, flowers, gifts, cards, food and all the nice things that was done for me while I was in the hospital and since I've been home.

May God's blessings be with each of you.

Louise Rankin

—GP—

CARD OF THANKS

We want to thank each of you who were so kind and thoughtful of our time of sorrow. The flowers, visits, food and every act of kindness was greatly appreciated.

May God bless each of you.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Swanner

Panthers Edge Italy In Quarterfinal Game 14-6

GAME AT A GLANCE		
Gorman	Italy	
16	12	First Downs
261	7	Yards Rushing
0	157	Yds. Passing
0 of 2	12 of 25	Passes Comp.
1	0	Interceptions
2	0	Fumbles Lost
2 - 12	5 for 34	Punts, avg.
5 for 45	4 for 40	Penalties

The Panthers continued their journey to the "possible dream" of a State Championship on Friday night when they traveled to Midlothian to meet the Italy Gladiators in the Quarterfinal game, a prize that the Gorman Panthers have never won before. This was a great effort by the Panthers in their efforts to attain the State Crown. The Panthers led 7-0; then 7-6; and came back to make the score 14-6; then held off a last minute surge by Italy to try and tie the game when Steve Keith intercepted a Gladiator pass to stop the threat. The teams both played a fine game and both are real fine ball clubs.

This win advances the Gorman Panthers to the semifinal game this Friday night with the Groom Tigers at the Iowa Park Stadium at 7:30 p. m. kicked off to Italy. After advancing the ball for one first down, the Panther defense held and the Gladiators were forced to punt. The Big Red machine cranked up a scoring drive on this first possession and moved from their own 38 yard line in 14 plays for the touchdown with Mel Maxfield scoring from one yard out on a keeper with 2:25 left in the period. Stacy came on and booted the extra point to make the score 7-0. This drive featured runs of 14 and 10 by Maxfield and runs of 4, 6, 5, 15, 3, 4 and 1 by Billy Burgess. Blaine Gibbs carried the ball four times on this drive.

The Gorman Panthers continue their trek to the golden horizon on Friday night when they travel to Iowa Park to meet the Groom Tigers in a 7:30 p. m. semi-final game.

The Panthers advanced to the semi-final game with a hard fought victory over the Italy Gladiators last Friday night in Midlothian by the score of 14-6. The Panthers seemed to have control of the game most of the way against the Gladiators but just seem-

ed to be a little to tight and didn't really take advantage of a couple of drives which could have opened up the game. The Gladiators came back with a drive late in the game, but fell short when a Italy pass was intercepted by Steve Keith to stop the threat.

The Panther defense again shined in the Italy game with a great performance by holding the Gladiators to just 7 yards on the ground and 157 yards passing. We surely com-

ment the defense on their performance in this game.

The Panther defense will again be tested this Friday night when they meet the Tigers from Groom, last year's Class B State Finalist. The Tigers have three good running backs in Chris Britten, who has amassed 1006 yards and 6 touchdowns; Thomas Reed, 992 yard and 20 TD's, and John Krizan, 537 yards and 10 TD's. The Tiger offensive line averages 179 pounds per man; backfield 164 per

man; and the defensive line averages 173 per man. This is a very fine ball club this should be one of the best ball clubs the Panthers have met this season.

Both teams will be playing their best in this battle, for the victor will advance to the coveted State Finals next week against the winner of the Corsicana Mildred and Ben Bolt game. We feel that the Panthers have the momentum going now to go all the way this year. This is what they have been working so hard and long for, and we think they will achieve their goal! Right, Panthers!

Go Get 'Em Panthers!

The Panther players and other Gorman youth received a very nice compliment this past weekend when the restaurant where they were served Friday night stated that this was one of the nicest groups of kids they had served.

Also we send a very big thank you from all the fans to Gene Rodgers of the First National Bank of Midlothian for the marvelous after game reception they hosted for all the fans Friday night. It was great!

—GP—

ITEMS OF INTEREST

The Board of Directors of Eastland County Hospital District will meet in a Special Meeting at 7:00 p. m. on Tuesday, Dec. 7 at the Blackwell Hospital. Purpose of the meeting is the determination of the District's role in the Ambulance Service for the Gorman area. The public is invited to attend.

Orders for School Annuals now being taken. Dec. 1 thru Dec. 22. Annuals are \$6.00 now and will be higher later. Any person not in school who would like an annual may obtain one by calling Gorman High School 734-2614.

Cadet Girl Scouts will meet Thursday, Dec. 2 at 3:45 p. m. in Fellowship Hall of First United Methodist Church.

Chapter No. 443, O.E.S. will meet Monday, December 6. It is WM and WP night and a covered dish supper will be at 6 p. m. with the regular meeting at 7:30.

Alcoholic Anonymous meetings held each Monday night in Gorman. For information call 734-2049 or 734-2515.

Lions Club will meet Tuesday, December 7 at noon at the Band Hall.

Kokomo Primitive Baptist Church will meet Saturday night, Dec. 4 and Sunday, Dec. 5.

Spanish and English Faith Seminar at Gorman Fire Hall December 7-8-9. Evangelist Israel Rodriguez from Idaltantic, Florida, and his wife, Noemi, will be ministering the word of God and also good gospel singing, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday afternoons at 1:00 and evenings at 8:00. Everyone cordially invited.

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

Cub Scouts meet each Monday at 3 p. m. at the First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

Anyone wishing to mail gift boxes of Peanuts should contact Ann Maxfield, Secretary of the CofC. The Chamber is now taking orders for 5 lb. boxes of raw — Texas grown, peanuts. The price is \$4.50 per 5 lb. box and this includes postage and handling.



ANOTHER STEP FORWARD — Shown above are members of the Panther football team after winning the Quarterfinal Trophy at Midlothian on Friday night over the Italy Gladiators. The two gentlemen at left (unknown) are Midlothian officials who presented the beautiful Quarterfinal trophy to Coaches Allan Gibbs and Dail Ables. Behind trophy is Mel Maxfield. At right of Coach Ables is No. 44 Larry Keith, and at Larry's right is brother, Steve Keith (No. 10).

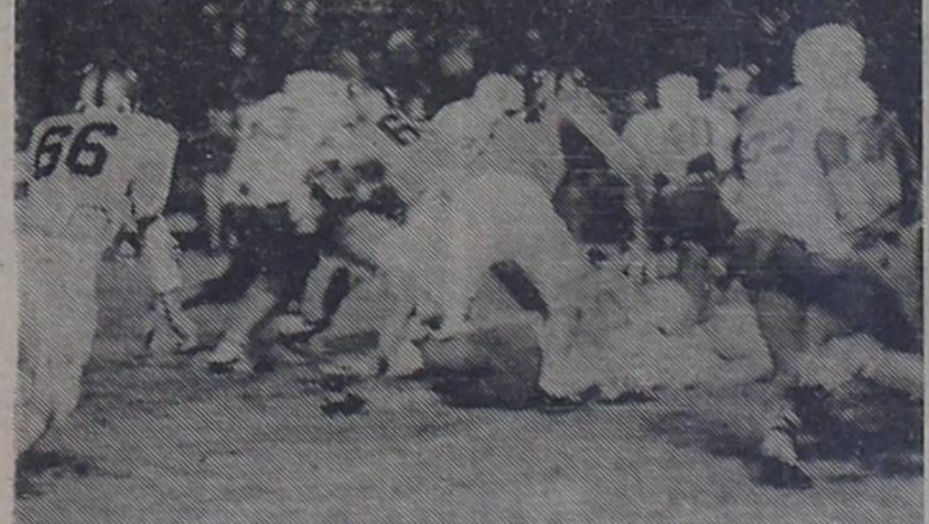
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MORE LIVELY ACTION — Billy Burgess (No. 40) is seen carrying the ball on the final scoring drive for the Big Red Friday night. No. 63 is Charles White. No. 51 (on the ground) is Doug Warren. No. 66 is Chuck Troutman.

WANT ADS

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FOR SALE — 1975 Case Tractor with Cab and Air. 1150 hours. Snay-on duals. Phone 758-2282 after 8 p. m. 4-12-9p

FOR SALE — 1970 Ford Torino, fair condition. Good tires. Also good building site lot for sale. Contact Frank Rasco, Gorman. 2-11-25p

FOR SALE — New Hon, 4 Drawer Filing Cabinet. Progress Office. 734-2410. Dymo Labeling Machine and Tape. Progress Office. 734-2410.

FOR SALE — 1976 Datsun Lil-Hustler Pickup, 4 speed, radio, heavy duty bumper, easy ride kit. Like new. Less than 6,000 miles. 734-2830. 11-18fnc

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HELP WANTED — LaDon's Steak House, now under new management, is now taking applications for employees. Apply in person to Larry Farrow. 11-4-fnc

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Mr. and Mrs. James Morris and Mitzi of Brownfield, Job Browning, Jennifer and Kluber of Odesa, Mr. and Mrs. Mack Morris of Texas Tech, Ralph Rider of Andrews, Bill Brantley of Winters, visited during the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Huppy Morris.

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ATTENTION HUNTERS & TRAPPERS Fur Buyer will be in Gorman at The Pantry each Monday from 3:15 till 3:45 p. m. Beginning December 6 We buy green and dry furs of all kinds. Skin case all fur (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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PANTHER SCHEDULE

- Gorman 29 - De Leon 8
- Gorman 52 - Dublin 0
- Gorman 58 - Trk'mtn 0
- Gorman 30 - Ranger 6
- Gorman 55 - Millsap 6
- Gorman 22 - Evant 14
- Gorman 60 - Lometa 6
- Gorman 28 - Ris. Star 0
- Gorman 54 - Blanket 0
- Gorman 40 - Eden 6
- Gorman 11 - Roches'tr 6
- Gorman 14 - Italy 6

PANTHERS

No.	Name	Pos	Wt.
10	Steve Keith	B	156
11	Mel Maxfield	B	171
12	Jack Jackson	B	185
20	Timothy Swanner	B	150
22	Ricky Townley	B	100
23	Blaine Gibbs	B	149
31	Steve Watson	E	105
33	Ron Roby	B	138
40	Billy Burgess	B	160
44	Larry Keith	B	140
45	Marty Carr	B	146
51	Doug Warren	C	225
55	Jeff Bowling	C	146
60	Clifford Lewis	G	160
62	Riley Curb	G	120
63	Charles White	T	213
66	Chuck Troutman	T	235
70	Stacy Webb	G	205
75	Ed Cox	T	183
76	Randy Laminack	T	161
77	Bobby Jay	G	155
80	Randy Barnes	E	145
81	Jamie Snider	E	120
84	Revis Laminack	E	150
86	Randy Seaton	E	138
88	Ricky Treutman	B	142

Coaches:

- Allan Gibbs and Dail Ables
- Superintendent: G. W. Maxfield
- Principal: Bill Sandlin
- Band Director: Tim Falls
- Cheerleaders: Head - Deliah Eaves, Donna Lewis, Cheri Overstreet, Kelly Mauney, Carla Good, Mascot: Cheryl Arnold
- Twirlers: Jo Rogers, Melinda Harrington, Darla Good
- Drum Major: Vonne Rodgers

CUB SCHEDULE

- Evant 8 - Gorman 0
- Lometa 19 - Gorman 14
- Ris Star 36 - Gorman 20
- Blanket 38 - Gorman 12
- Evant 12 - Gorman 0
- Lometa 48 - G'man 20
- Ris. Star 24 - G'man 12
- Blanket 38 - Gorman 14

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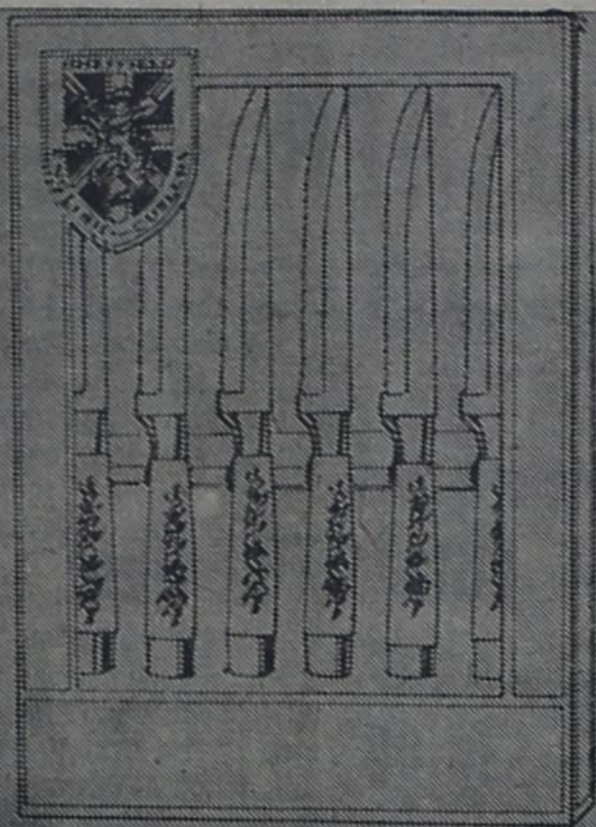
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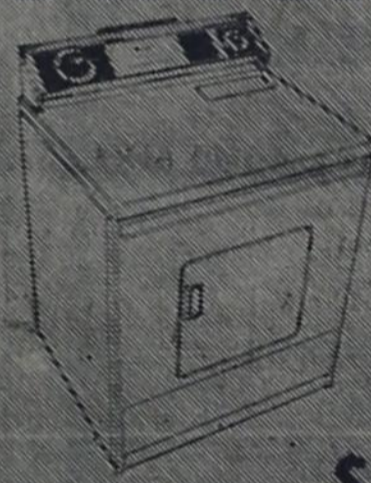


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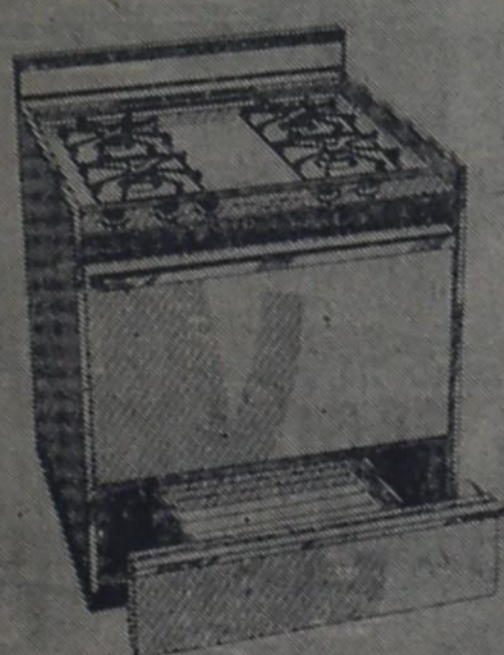
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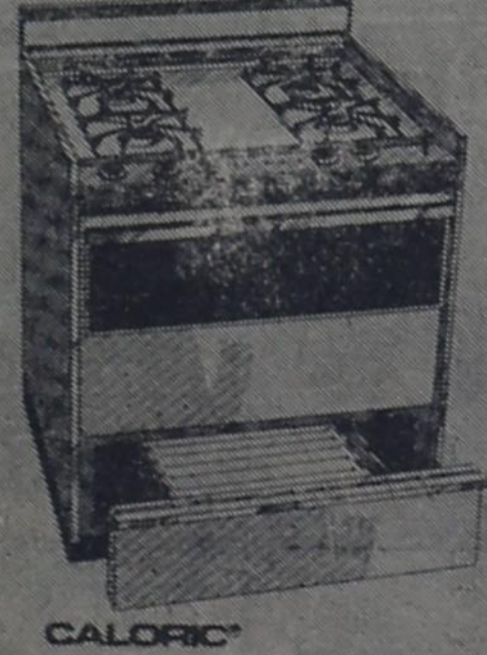
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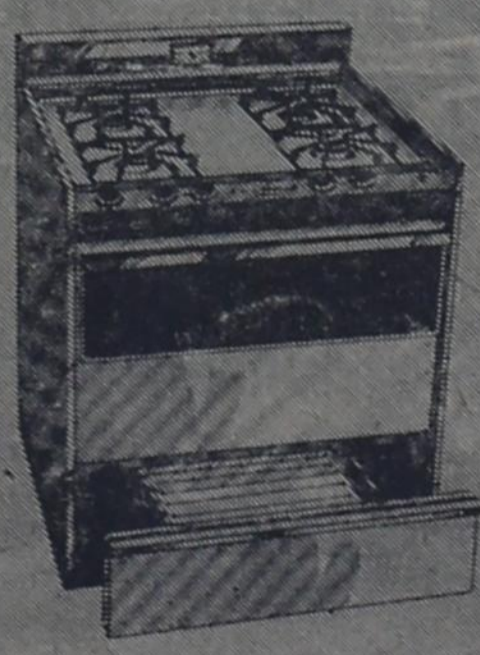
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KOKOMO NEWS

By MRS. GLENN JORDAN

It's been real cold again during the past few days, but the predicted snow did not arrive. The lowest temperature here was 16 degrees on Monday morning.

Attendance at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday morning was very good even though it was very cold. Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Browning and Donna, with Mrs. Claude Fuller at the piano, rendered the special music.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hendricks and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Buchanan, Kelly and Yancy, spent Thanksgiving holidays in Marietta, Ga. with Mr. and

Mrs. Paul Hoy, Robin, Billy and Edward and Mr. and Mrs. Kerry Clymer and Adam. They enjoyed a scenic tour of Stone Mountain and the Under ground City at Atlanta. On Saturday, Nov. 27 they attended he birthday party honoring Adam on his first birthday. The party was hosted by Adam's parents, Kerry and Paula Clymer, in the Cumberland Mall in Atlanta and was catered by the Cumberland Mall Birthday Club, and the club band sang "Happy Birthday" to Adam. 40 of his friends and relatives attended the party. Adam is the great-grandson of Mrs. W. A. O'Neal and Mr. and Mrs. Burton Dennis of Gorman.

Mr. and Mrs. Odis Rodgers and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Rodgers and boys spent Thanksgiving in Hobbs, N. M. with Mr. and Mrs. Neal Gilbert and

family. Ladies of the Kokomo HD Club assisting with the Swine Flu Clinic at Gorman on Tuesday, Nov. 23 were Mmes. Cullen Rodgers, J. C. Clearman, Albert Hendricks, J. L. Morrow, Odis Rodgers and Glenn Jordan.

Randy McDonald of Portland spent Tuesday night with the Glenn Jordans, and also visited with Jim Jordan.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Hallmark and family of San Angelo and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Little and family spent Thanksgiving Day with Mr. and Mrs. Vern Garrett. Jim Jordan visited with them in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Buckle of Winston, Oregon were visiting with the Vern Garretts on Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Buckle will be remembered here as Pauline Reynolds.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Nelson and family of Lewisville and Mr. and Mrs. Gary Rasco of Andrews visited during the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Nelson. Mr. Jim Jordan also visited in the Nelson home.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Morgan and Charlie of Friona, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Leonard and Kami of Lawton, Okla., and Mr. and Mrs. Jamie Clearman and family of Tuscola visited during the Thanksgiving holidays with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Clearman.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bennett of Lake Leon met their daughter, Dr. and Mrs. Fred Wilson, Bobby and Joel, for a Thanksgiving visit in the home of Dr. Wilson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Wilson in Murray, Ky.

The Glenn Jordans spent Thanksgiving Day in Abilene with Mr. and Mrs. Roddy Miles and family.

Bro. and Mrs. Bob Watson, Pam and Robin, were dinner guests of the Glenn Jordans

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To qualify, a person must be 65 years of age (on or before January 1, 1977) or over, can have only one homestead, own the same or have a legally vested interest in it, be in residence on homestead, and have properly made application for the exemption. All circumstances must be consistent with the April 30, 1977 assessment date of the jurisdiction. Those desiring or wishing to apply for the Age 65 and over Homestead Exemption must do so before April 30, 1977, and must furnish a copy of proof of age at the time of applying by producing some form of documented proof of age such as a birth certificate, naturalization paper, Bureau of Census Document, drivers license or such other documented proof. This information is being released by Marshall S. Hickman, Superintendent, and Mildred Bennett, Tax Assessor-Collector for the Carbon Independent School District, after recommendation for the Homestead Exemption to be granted was submitted to and approved by the Board of Trustees of the Carbon Independent School District during their business session on November 15, 1976. 2-12-9c

on Sunday. Thanksgiving Day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hudson and Patricia were Mr. and Mrs. Tony Caille of Comyn and Kay Craddock of Richardson and Estelle Craddock of Gorman.

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CARBON News

MRS. VELMA HASTINGS

School began again Monday after the Thanksgiving holidays. The cafeteria menu for next week, Dec. 6-10, will be as follows:

Monday - Steak fingers, blackeyed peas, potatoes, mash, apple crisp, orange juice and milk.

Tuesday - Pinto beans with meat, corn, slaw, chocolate cake and milk.

Wednesday - Minute steak and gravy, green beans, mashed potatoes, peaches and milk.

Thursday - Vegetable soup, sandwiches, brownies and milk.

Friday - Hamburgers, lettuce, tomatoes, onions, pickles, french fries, Jello and milk.

Thanksgiving Day visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Dulin Sandlin were their children and families, Mr. and Mrs. Fred

Coburn, Melissa and Chad of Cleburne, Carroll Sandlin of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sandlin, Larry, Kerri and Sheryl, and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sandlin of Carbon, and Mrs. Weatha Dunn.

Funeral services were held for Joe Carlton Saturday afternoon at the Carbon Baptist Church with the pastor, Rev. Delbert Smith, officiating.

Mr. Carlton passed away on Thursday evening, Nov. 25, 1976, in Valley View Nursing Home. He is survived by two sons, Bill of Odessa and Bob of Carbon; one daughter, Mrs. Margie Morrison of Odessa; one sister, Mrs. Ruby Cozart of San Angelo; one brother, Jim of Burleson; twelve grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. Burial was in Bear Springs Cemetery.

Grandsons were pallbearers. Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Hogan of Albany and Mr. and Mrs. Royce Kinar of Odessa visited the Jim Hogans Saturday and attended the funeral of Mr. Carlton.

Mrs. Jean Funderburg of

Santa Clara, Calif. spent Thursday and Friday night with Mrs. Mabel Greer.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Campbell spent the Thanksgiving holidays with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Butch Donovan and family of San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Hurst of Lubbock and Mrs. Jean Funderburg of Santa Clara, Calif. visited Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Walker Wednesday and attended graveside services in Eastland for their sister, Mrs. Ola Patterson, who died at her home in Denver City on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robbie Stuteville, Shannon and Emily, spent the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Burch Stuteville of Gustine and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Parnell of Stephenville.

Thanksgiving dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Jackson were Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Neeley of El Paso, Mr. and Mrs. Danny Cox of Arlington, Bob Jackson of Odessa and Miss Betty Jane Jackson of Oklahoma City, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hines spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie McCurry of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Adair of Houston.

Dale Jackson of Fort Worth spent Thanksgiving holidays

with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Jackson.

Thanksgiving visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Mack Stubblefield were Mr. and Mrs. Ira Ford of Lamesa, Rev. and Mrs. Cullen Hawkins of Deer Park, Mrs. Mary Sears of Marble Falls, Mary B. McBride of Oklahoma City, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Ford, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Ford, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Stubblefield and Brian of Arlington, Mr. and Mrs. Doug Bryant and Heather of Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ussery of Westaco, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Walker and Kent of Odessa were weekend visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Walker.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Buster Johnson on Thanksgiving were Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Fields and Lindell of Kokomo, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fields, Michael and Caylea of Eastland, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Walker, Marla and Malli of Krum, George Johnson of Midland, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Seitem and Chris of Gorman, Mr. and Mrs. James Johnson, Leslie and Haden of Lake Leon.

Visitors in the home of Mrs. Ethel Lovell over the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Ken Smith of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Irwin, also of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Billie J. Mathis and Glenna of Arlington, Mr. and

Mrs. Alvie Allison, Adrienne and Stacia of Azle, Mrs. Gloria Estes, Melody and Randy, Mr. Ray Cloud, Melinda and Larry and Mrs. Connie Cloud of Abilene, Mrs. Ione Bounds of Eastland, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brown and Kris, Mr. and Mrs. Euell Alison and Alice Ann of Gorman, Berry Greenwood, Miss Joyce Greenwood, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McDaniel and Wallace of Carbon.

Visiting Mrs. Myrtle Maness Thanksgiving Day were her grandchildren, Charley Patterson of Breckenridge, Gary Petree and Debby Isenburg of Abilene.

Mrs. Bill Cavanaugh and Marla of Perkins, Okla. visited Mrs. Opal Hays, Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Lee Hays and family during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Lindsey of Devine visited Mr. and Mrs. Truman Been during the holidays.

The Scriptures Speak

"God Sent Forth His Son"

"But when the fullness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law" — Gal. 4:4.

This verse, as much as any other, has established as fact the existence of our Lord in eternity. It supports the teaching of John recorded in John 1:1-2. The Holy Spirit directed John to write: "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God."

But Paul's statement in Galatians 4:4 does not end with an expression of the fact that the Son was with the Father in the beginning. It continues to reveal certain facts about the nature of Christ. The three truths recorded are: (1) Christ was "sent forth" in the "fulness of the time," (2) He was "made of a woman," and (3) He was "made under the law."

Of the three truths revealed, the first two are most generally accepted by the majority. Most people accept the fact that Jesus has always existed. They believe that He was with God in the beginning and that He took upon Himself "the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men" (Phil. 2:7). Most people accept the fact that Jesus was born of Mary "in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the King" (Matt. 2:1). But

some people have difficulty in understanding and accepting the fact that Christ was "made under the law."

Christ was born under the Law of Moses, and was amenable to its ordinances. The reason for his being "made under the law" was to fulfill it, take it out of the way, deliver his people from its bondage, and inaugurate a new covenant "established upon better promises" (Heb. 8:6).

We are not under the Law of Moses, nor are we subject to any of its ordinances as was our Lord, who was "made under the law." Paul explained that its "handwriting of ordinances" was "against us." It was "contrary to us." Christ, when He died, "took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross" (Col. 2:14).

Today we can offer our thanks to God for sending "forth his Son" as a sacrifice for our sins that we may be "heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ" (Ro. 8:17) We can thank God for "an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven" (I Peter 1:4) for all who live righteously before Him in this life.

Bill Wilson, minister Church of Christ

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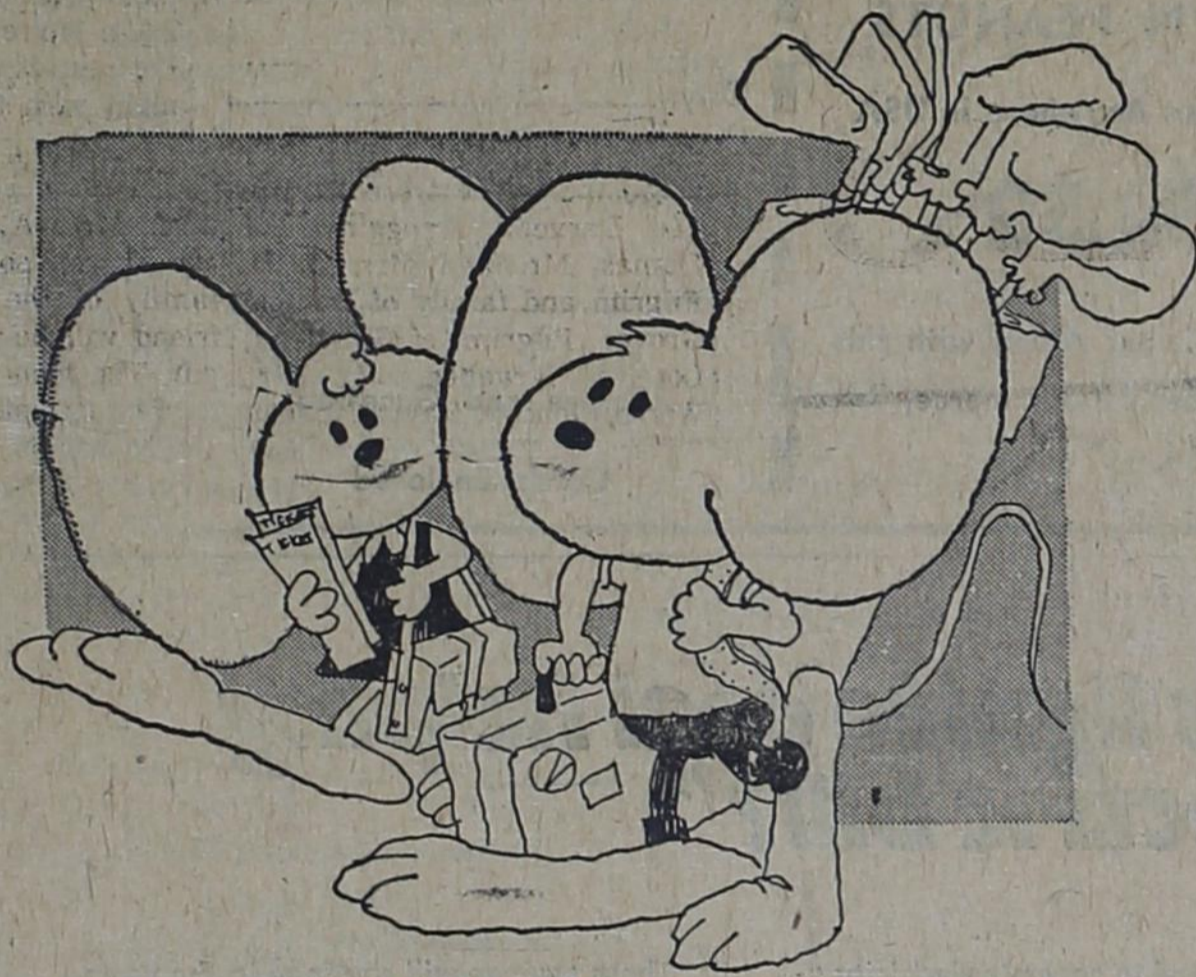
PUBLIC NOTICE

Lone Star Gas Company, in accordance with Section 43(a) of Article 1446c V.A.T.C.S., hereby gives notice of the Company's intent to implement a new schedule of rates for natural gas service to be charged to the industrial consumers in the City of Gorman effective December 30, 1976.

It is anticipated that the increased cost of service under Schedule of Industrial Rates-N, Rate Schedule For Public Free Schools-N and Schedule For Industrial Rates-N for Agencies of the State or Federal Government will result in 0- additional annual revenue to Lone Star Gas Company in the City of Gorman.

A statement of intent has been filed with the City of Gorman and is available for inspection at the Company's business office located at Kent St., Gorman, Texas.

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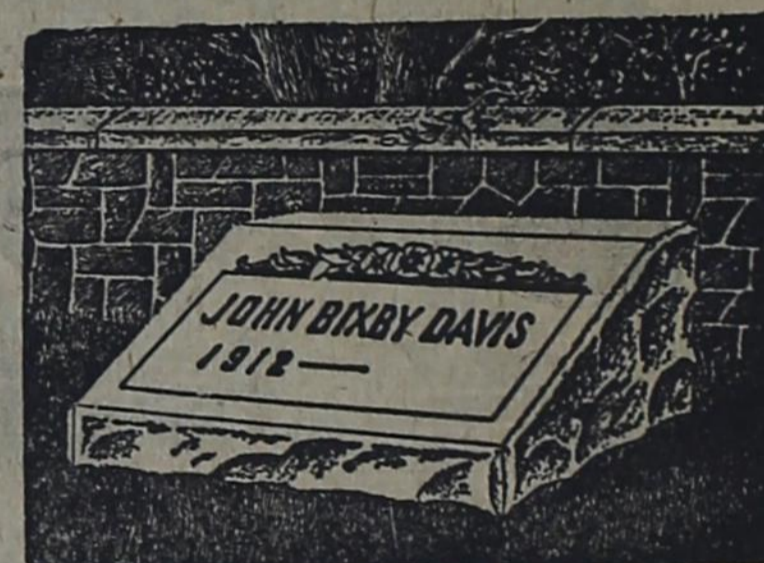
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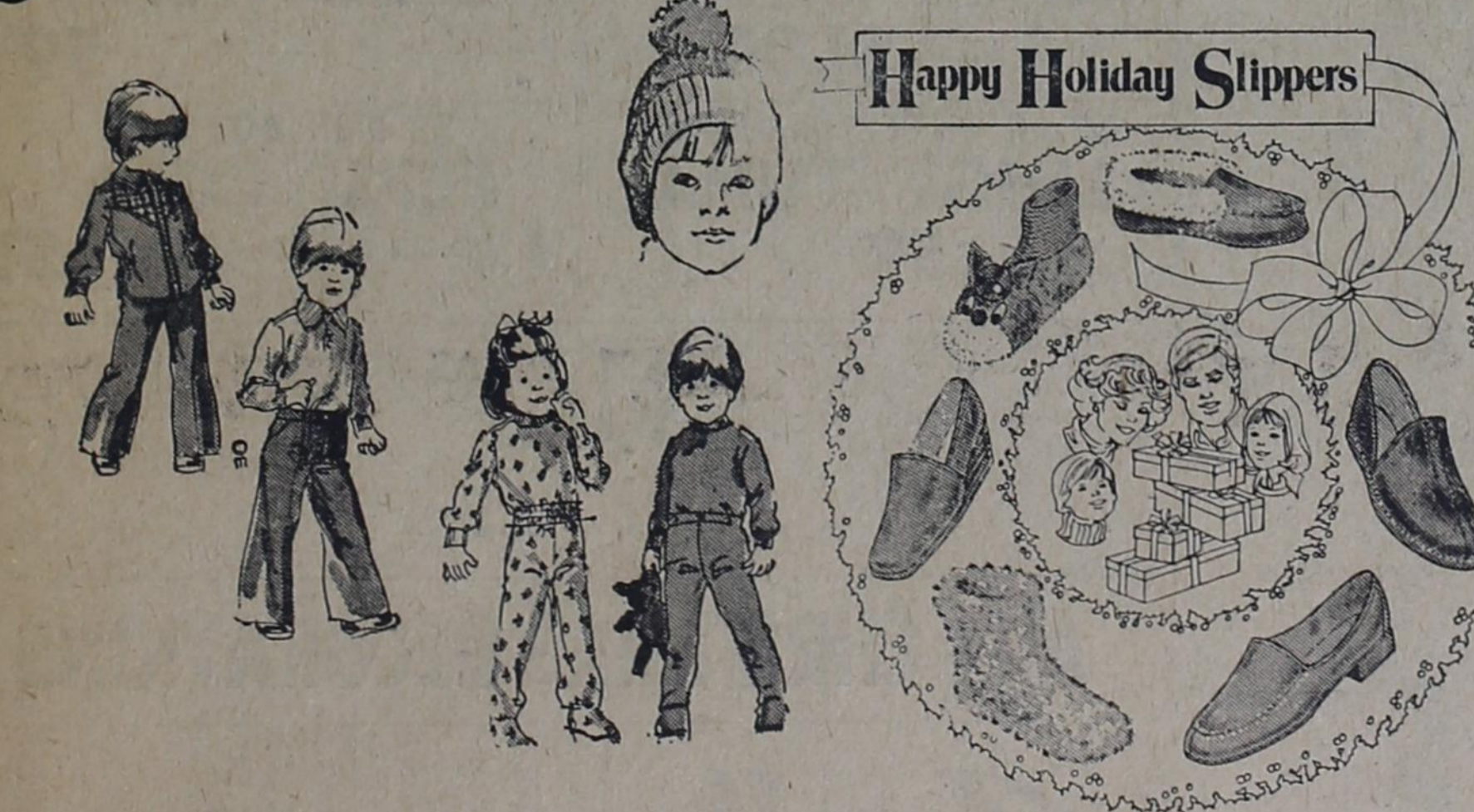
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School Hill News

By Mrs. Bill Riddell

Patsy Moon spent Monday visiting with her father, Clell Bays, who was in the hospital but is out and doing better. Those visiting with Ralph and Aline Elston this week were Nicky, Karen and Kirt Sims to Fort Worth, Rodger, Joan, Selena and Stacy Elston of Lingleville, Charles Elston of Huckabay, Carroll Elston of Morgan Mill and Mac Elston of Sweetwater.

Bud Whitefield, Tommy, Valeria, Ken and Larry Brown, all of Lingleville, Nancy Eoff of Dublin, Bill, Oma Lee, Leslie and Tena Riddell visited Friday night with J. C. and Patsy Moon and family.

Visitors with us this week

end were Gene, Jeane and Niki Krimshaw of Kokomo, Tommy and Jane Musick and Ruby Stokes of Lingleville, Jack Blackwell of Ranger, Leo and Eloise Williams of Desdemona, Jimmy Herrell and son Andy, and Dr. Joe Robert Pate of Dublin.

Aline Elston has been visiting this week with Aunt Fannie Mulloy in the Stephenville Hospital with a crushed vertebra. Aunt Fannie is in a brace and has been having a hard time. Hope she's soon feeling much better.

I haven't seen much of the family for a week. Since I quit smoking, then they have avoided me, especially my son-in-law. He was coming in the door and I yelled "don't slam that blasted door so hard." And I never yell at him. I sure wish, when I started reforming my vices that I'd have quit smoking, before I quit



WHOPPER OF A TURNIP! Floyd Gilbert, left, and Gus Frossard, who share a garden as a hobby also provide many good fresh vegetables for the families. An example is this purple top turnip that weighed six and one-fourth pounds, grown by the men. Gus states it is good and its size does not detract from its quality. He and Floyd grow tomatoes, potatoes and are still enjoying fresh tomatoes that were gathered before the frost and have ripened inside. He also states he grew the best beets ever this year. This is one year that insects did not destroy the turnips and other varieties of greens as they have in the past.

Kokomo and Simpson Cemetery Associat'n Formed

On May 1, the Kokomo and Simpson Cemeteries Association was formed at a meeting in the Kokomo Community of Eastland County. The purpose of this association is the assembling of funds which will provide income to pay for the perpetual care of the Kokomo and Simpson Cemeteries. Officers elected were as follows:

Desdemona News

By: VONNIE GUTHERY

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Burleson over the holidays were their children, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Burleson of Palestine, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Burleson of Weatherford, Kathy and Timmy Paroline of Mt. Pleasant, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Burleson and family and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Iley and family.

Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Keith and family of Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. Mack Keith and family of Gorman, Mr. and Mrs. De Witt Robinett and Nikki of Stephenville, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Creed and girls and Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Martin and Sonja had Thanksgiving dinner with Pug and Vonnies Guthery. Others visiting over the weekend were Mr. Loyd Jones and Bob of Fort Worth, Mrs. Ella Foreman, Mrs. Glenda Garrett and Tiffany of Irving, Mrs. A. V. Seay of Gorman and Mrs. Nannie Guthery, and Mr. and Mrs. Gary Walston and Lane of Odessa.

Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Roberts and Jeff visited in Smithville with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Weaver and Heather, over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Williams of Kermit visited their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Buckley and family, the past week.

If anyone wants any news or special items printed from our area - please contact this reporter. Thanks.

No one is above what he thinks about others.

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Those visiting with Renia Hogg this week were Clyde and Darvella Scroggins of Dumas, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Pilgrim and family of Dumas, Grover Pilgrim of Eastland, Loretta Lewallen of Fort Worth, Johnny Ray and Jean Wilson of Houston, Steve and Suzy Wilson of Dublin, and Debra and Sandra and their husbands.

Moons spent Thanksgiving with Jay and Flora Moon of Stephenville. Others there were Brad and Terri Moon, Marvin Dale and Betty Moon and girls, Connie and Roger Armstrong and family of Highland, Delton, Lucille and Brenda Moon of Shelby.

Thought I'd seen about everything, but I hadn't until the stork got in our attic the coldest day his week. William showed the first streak of energy that he has shown in a month. He was running over everyone trying to bar the doors and looking for the shot gun at the same time. Then Patsy Moon drove up, just in time to see the bird, shoved that new car into flying gear, and no one has seen her since. If anyone sees her please wave a white flag before approaching her as she may still be a little "leery" after having such a close call.

Ann Staude has had the virus this week and it has complicated her other problems. Hope you're soon feeling better. Ann Joe went to Fort Worth Wednesday after Mrs. J. O. Staude to spend a few days with them.

Kenneth and Lavera Hallmark have had their baby in the hospital this week. Hope everything is better for them, too.

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Anyone interested in this project is urged to enroll as a member of the Kokomo and Simpson Cemeteries Assn. by giving your name and address to the secretary NOW. There is no charge for membership in the Association.

Because of the size of the cemeteries and improvements needed, the association would like to raise as large an amount as possible immediately to be put into a Perpetual Care Fund to provide as much income as possible to pay for the necessary work in maintaining and improving the cemeteries. Interest rates that can be obtained on investments at the present time are good, so you are urged to consider helping the association by making a donation to its Perpetual Care Fund immediately. Your donation is deductible for income tax purposes.

The Trust Dept. of First National Bank, Cisco, has agreed to act as depository for all Perpetual Care Funds raised by the association. It invests all such funds in government backed securities to provide the maximum safe yield, and this income will be paid to the trustees of the association as available and as required. There will be no charge to the association by the bank for these services.

Immediate goal is \$15,000.00 which will yield \$1,200 per year invested at 8 percent interest. Money is to be raised in two ways:

1. Endowment Fund. Lump sums of money may be paid into this fund. The money will never be spent, but the interest from this money will be available every year for care of the cemeteries. For example, at 8 percent interest, your \$100 donation will provide \$8.00 income per year perpetually.

2. Memorial Fund. Now, or at any time in the future, upon the death of a loved one, you may make a contribution of any size to the Memorial Fund in memory of that loved one. Or you may make a contribution in memory of a friend. In either case, give your contribution to the secretary, Mrs. Albert Hendricks, and if you so request, the family of the loved one or friend will be notified of your gift. The money will be added to the association's PCF, will not be spent, but the income from these gifts will be used for perpetual care.

The association believes that this is a most worthwhile project and urges you give it your consideration.

As of November 19, 1976 the people listed have made contributions to the perpetual care fund. We now have \$2,041 drawing 8 percent interest.

Mrs. Ollie Bonham, Mrs. Mary C. Holliday, Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Gothard, Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Nolan, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Freeman, Miss Luna Lee Everton, Mr. and Mrs. B. O. Shugart, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McNeely, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Rollins, Mr. and Mrs. Orval Treadway, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Elver Everton, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Holliday, Mr. and Mrs. George Norris, Mr. and Mrs. Finis Johnson, Mrs. Jessie Hagar, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Overstreet, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hendricks, Mr. and Mrs. Cullen Rodgers.

Memorials for Mrs. Jim (Cylidia) Jordan: Mr. and Mrs. Paul Norris, Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Eaves, Mrs. Erma Eaves, Mrs. W. A. O'Neal, Mrs. Rachel Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Q. D. Fulehr, Kokomo Primitive Baptist Church, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hendricks, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Buchanan, Mrs. Jordan's Sunday School Class, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McDaniels, Mrs. J. C. Caraway, Mrs. Sunny Kellogg, Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Fuller, and Mrs. Hazel Snider.

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Mrs. Pearl Shell of Carbon and Mrs. Ruby Bennett of Gorman spent Thanksgiving Day in Eastland with their children, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Bennett, and grandson, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lynn Bennett Terry and Latricia of Odessa. Other visitors in the home were the Clarence McCullough family of Eastland.

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The rate schedule is expected to furnish a 23.69 percent increase in the Company's gross revenues in the City of Gorman.

A Statement of intent has been filed with the City of Gorman and is available for inspection at the Company's business office located at Kent St., Gorman, Texas

Lone Star Gas Company

Marquardt Urges Release of WTU and CP&L

AUSTIN — West Texas Utilities Co. (WTU) and Central Power & Light (CP&L) should be removed from the control of the Central and South West Corp. holding company, Texas Electric Service Co. President W. G. Marquardt said here today.

If they are not, he said, the result could be less reliable electric service, unnecessary high costs for area power consumers, and the drain of Texas fuel supplies out of the state.

"We firmly believe that the public... would best be served if Central and South West is ordered to divert itself of West Texas Utilities and Central Power and Light," Marquardt said in testimony before the House Energy Resources committee.

WTU, based in Abilene, serves electricity to customers in parts of West Texas. CP&L serves the Corpus Christi area. Both are owned by Central and South West Corp., a Delaware based holding company.

Central and South West is currently battling to maintain its permission from the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) to exist as a holding company under the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935.

"Holding companies are only allowed if the Securities and Exchange Commission determines that their existence is in the public interest," Marquardt told the committee. "This means that the member companies must be capable of economical operation as a single interconnected and coordinated system."

But Central and South West's four subsidiaries are not an integrated system, Marquardt pointed out. In addition to WTU and CP&L, the system includes Public Service Co. of Oklahoma (PSO) and Southwestern Electric Power Co. (SWEPCO). The four companies are extending from South Texas north to Oklahoma, across Oklahoma to Arkansas, and back down into northeast Texas.

"Central and South West knows this type of operation is not efficient, economical or reliable," Marquardt said.

Since Central and South West's holding company has been challenged before the SEC, the company has proposed being challenged before the connecting the two sides of the horseshoe using the Texas Utilities Co. (TU) system. (Texas Utilities Co. is made up of Texas Electric, Dallas Power & Light, and Texas Power & Light.)

Marquardt, speaking on behalf of the three Texas Utilities system companies, said they oppose that plan.

"The reasons are simple," he said. "It would cost our customers a lot of money and threaten the reliability of service within Texas with absolutely no corresponding benefits."

In addition, he said, the out-of-state connections would expose fuel supplies secured for Texas Utilities customers to use in other states.

In a statement filed with the House Committee, Marquardt explained that connection with the Central and South West system would place the Texas Utilities companies into interstate commerce. That would subject the companies to Federal Power Commission jurisdiction, resulting in Texas Electric and other TU companies being connected to a vast system of electric utilities covering the entire country east of the Rocky Mountains.

The vast size of that system would greatly hamper reliability, Marquardt said, because large amounts of power would flow into the state from throughout the country if a generator went out in Texas. Texas transmission lines handle that flow, Marquardt said, and the result could be a cascading effect of transmission lines being overloaded—resulting in widespread power outages like the New York blackout in 1965.

"To compensate for this situation, the transmission system inside Texas would have to be redesigned, at a cost of hundreds of millions of dollars," Marquardt said. "These are costs our customers would

Former Teamster Pension Fund Official Indicted

CHICAGO (AP) A former powerful figure in the Teamsters' Union billion-dollar pension fund was indicted Tuesday on a charge of accepting a \$200,000 kickback in connection with a \$1.3 million pension fund loan.

The federal indictment charged Alvin Baron, 51, with one count of receiving kickbacks, six counts of wire fraud, two counts of mail fraud and one count of income tax evasion.

The indictment came as part of a long Justice Department investigation of the Teamsters' Central States, Southeast and Southwest Areas Pension Fund.

Baron, a lawyer now living in Las Vegas, Nev., was unavailable for comment.

He resigned from the fund in 1975 at the request of trustees after serving as Central States' \$100,000-a-year assets manager.

The pension fund, which has \$1.4 billion in assets and covers 450,000 Teamsters members and retirees, has been the subject of continuing investigations by the Labor and Justice departments.

Reports of mismanagement and loans to shaky business ventures, some allegedly associated with organized crime, have been targets of the federal inquiries.

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Golden Age Club Christmas Party Slated Dec. 12

The Golden Age Club, sponsored by The First National Bank will have their annual Christmas Party December 12 at Lone Cedar Country Club at 3:30 p. m. Dinner will be served at 5:00 p. m.

Special feature of the program will be Dick Hammonds, country recording artist. Dick has been to Gorman to perform on several occasions and has been well received. This will be a very good program you will not want to miss. It is all free to club members, so make your reservations now with Betty Henderson at the bank. Reservations should be in by December 6th.

have to bear—with absolutely no benefits."

He added that "maintaining permanent interstate connections greatly increases the risk that we would be required to ship large amounts of power out of the state to areas of the country that haven't planned well for future fuel supplies."

Marquardt said a Central and South West study showing their plan would save money was an example of "engineering economics"—the company figured out the cost of its plan compared it to the worst alternative, and called the difference a "savings."

"Central and South West pretends to be acting in the public interest when their true motive is very transparent," Marquardt said. "That is, to preserve their holding company by using our power system." He pointed out that testimony before the SEC showed the Central and South West study was begun with the pre-condition that the holding company be preserved.

"If we want to look at the public interest, let's not look at it in the narrow confines of preserving Central and South West Corporation as a goal," Marquardt said.

He said Central and South West should be ordered to divert WTU and CP&L. The case is currently before the SEC, with related proceedings underway before the FPC, a federal district court, and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

The current controversy was brought to light on May 4 of this year when WTU connected part of its system across state lines into Oklahoma in an attempt to force the Texas Utilities companies into interstate commerce. The FPC rejected Central and South West's contention that the TU companies should be subject to FPC jurisdiction.

Gorman Girls Teams Win Over Ranger

The Gorman girls were victorious over the Ranger teams in basketball play Wednesday November 24th.

The B girls led the scoring 39 to 27. High scorer was Melinda Harrington with 14 points and Shari Guthery with 12.

The Gorman girls varsity team won over Ranger 53 to 27. Leading scorer for Gorman was Amy Warren with 26 and close behind was Deliah Eaves with 20 points. Donna Lewis played a good defensive game and outstanding guard was Susan Ridens.

The Gorman B team won over the Ranger girls in the Tuesday, Nov. 30 game 33 to 22. Melinda Harrington led the team with 19 points and Shari Guthery made 12. Great guard effort went to Paulette Baze, who did a great job throughout the game.

The Gorman varsity girls got off to a good start in the Tuesday game with Ranger. The girls showed a lot of depth and found easy going with a winning score of 43 to 14.

Amy Warren and Deliah Eaves scored 17 points each. Lisa Warren had 14. Donna Lewis and Susie Ridens played a good defensive game. There were no points made by Ranger in the final quarter.

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County Fair Chairman Says Thanks To All

Monroe Rolins, overall chairman of this year's County Fair, wishes to thank "everybody who helped the fair in any way; either through donations, efforts or otherwise."

At a recent meeting of this year's chairmen, a nominating committee was appointed for the purpose of getting executive committee workers for the coming year. This committee consists of Gerald Bint of Cisco, John Rodgers of Carbon and Mrs. Ann Perrier of Carbon.

A committee was also appointed to work up plans and by-laws for the coming year. This committee consists of Mike Collins of Eastland, Ray Moody of Nimrod and Mrs. John Rodgers of Carbon.

Mr. Rolins stated, "plans are definitely toward a fair for the coming year and also the coming years." He also reports "we did come out with a small profit in the finances of the fair."

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CARD OF THANKS

We would like to thank each of you for your kindness and the good care of wonderful doctors and nurses during our stay in Blackwell Hospital. To friends for their interest and concern during our illness and since our return home. Also for the flowers, cards and

Rodgers Families Host Reception In Midlothian

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Rodgers and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Rodgers, owners of First National Bank of Midlothian, were hosts for an after game reception at their new bank building Friday night.

The Rodgers were not sure it would be a victory party but it turned out that way as the Panthers were victorious over the Italy Gladiators.

It was a grand reception and the Rodgers families and their employees (one we all know, Mrs. Dorothy Sparks, who was an employee in the Gorman bank for many years) were so gracious and all the good food prepared was wonderful. Gorman fans have never been treated so royally, and everyone had such a good time visiting, it was more like a homecoming as so many former Gorman residents living in surrounding towns came to the game and also attended the reception.

Even though Gene, Jimmy, Lou Evelyn and Dorothy have been away from Gorman for some years, we still claim them as our own, and, too, their parents still live here. Gene and Jimmy are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Cullen Rodgers and Mrs. Gene Rodgers is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hulon Lasater.

We speak for all the Gorman football fans in expressing thanks for a wonderful reception and good fellowship with old friends.

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County Retired Teachers To Meet

Charlie L. Garrett, president of the Eastland County Retired Teachers, announces that the chapter will meet in Gorman on Monday, December 6, 1976 at 2:30 p. m. in the Currency Room of First National Bank. Mrs. Carl Smith, a retired teacher of Rising Star, will present the program. Mrs. Smith has researched and prepared a program which she presents under the title of "Kaleidoscope of Freedom." As part of the program she will display almost one hundred flags that have been used by the United States and the fifty separate states. This program has been widely acclaimed throughout this area as an outstanding program on the history of our nation. The Retired Teachers are fortunate in getting this program and Mr. Garrett urges all retired teachers of the area to attend this meeting. Visitors are also welcome.

prayers. All were deeply appreciated. May God bless each of you. Iva L. Wood Mary Busching

LOCAL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brown and Brandon spent the Thanks giving holidays with her mother, Mrs. Dorothy Hatcher.

Nita and Amy Scitern and Jana Arnold spent Friday nite with Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Lasater.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Scitern were hosts for a family get-together dinner Friday evening. Those visiting were Mr. and Mrs. Bubba McDaniels, Clint and Jimmy of Sundown, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Ragland and Gary and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Ragland and Gregg, all of Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Lasater and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hudson and Patricia, all of Kokomo, and Kay Ann Craddock of Richardson and Estelle Craddock of Gorman.

Visiting Friday with Estelle and Kay Ann Craddock were Mrs. Cecil Lillard and son, Johnny, and daughter, Dee Dee, of Grand Prairie.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Shorty Welch over the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Bob Teague of Wichita Falls, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Huff and Bobby and girlfriend of Big Spring, also Ronnie Huff and two friends, Mr. and Mrs. Don Doubleday and Donnie also of Big Spring, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Welch and children of Saskwa, Okla., Mr. and Mrs. Terry Wright and children of Big Spring, Tommy Welch, Randy, Karla and Karen and Patti, all of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Wharton and Amy of Arlington and Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Welch of De Leon.

Edgar and Lu Lamance of Toledo, Ohio visited his cousin Ernest and Bessie Lou Barnes last week.

Thanksgiving visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Gene Baker were Mr. and Mrs. Carter Hart, Rita and Joan of Tyler, Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Poyner of Ranger, Mrs. Miriam Robinson and Elizabeth of Houston and Mr. and Mrs. Willy Gilbert, Corey and Caron of Arlington, and B. G. Reese of Del City, Okla.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Pool last Tuesday night were Mrs. Belle Touchstone and Mrs. Joe Wallace of Rising Star, and Clarence Drennon of Coleman, also Mrs. Ruby Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Buckle of Winston, Oregon, and Mr. and Mrs. Preston Capers of Ft. Worth. Mike Potter of Albion, Ill. and Cliff Kinchoeloe of Eastland were Thanksgiving Day visitors with Lonnie and Joetta Bennett.

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