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Press Points

Joe Bennett, Publisher

Most everyone was surprised to hear of the decision made by Senator John Tower not to seek re-election to the Senate. Tower has been in the hustle and bustle of the Washington "madhouse" for more than twenty years, and probably, had about all the stuff he could swallow. I imagine that other world in Washington, D.C. is something that ordinary folks like most of just cannot understand. I have heard some people who had been close to the Washington scene say that it was unbelievable to the average folks of the pressure, etc. up there. Also, there is a strong rumor that Tower will not run because he will be offered a top job in the Reagan cabinet if Reagan is re-elected.

I don't imagine anyone knows for sure just what Tower has in mind but Tower himself.

There has already been numerous names tossed in the pot who plan to seek the Tower post. It is no doubt one of the most important posts for Texas folks.

The Panthers turned in a good performance at the scrimmage with Tolar last Friday. Especially the defense, which looked very good against the Rattler offense. The Panther defense has just not been up to par the past couple of seasons compared to the defense of the previous several years due to the lack of size, speed, etc. So the coaches are looking to improve the defense this year.

Don't forget to bring a towel to the scrimmage with Perrin here this Friday night. Towel night has become a tradition at GHS and fans have always enjoyed this event each year. Perrin is expected to give the Panthers a stiffer test this week than the scrimmage at Tolar last Friday.

So if it is possible for you to be at the scrimmage here Friday night, be there!

We hope to get some billfold size schedule printed this week for the Panther team and distribute them to the different places of business around town. Most folks like the smaller size schedules because they can carry them in their billfolds and purses.

The moisture we received recently has helped the peanuts some, but we sure do need some more to make the prospects better for this year.

The area has been overrun with cantaloupes and the watermelons are still coming in each day. We have seen a very large number of melons being prepared for shipment this week and we are sure the activity will continue if the moisture can keep the vines going. The watermelon and cantaloupe business has been very good for the economy of our community the past couple of years.

We haven't gotten any pictures of the football boys as yet but we plan to do so this week in preparation for the season opener on September 2 when the Panthers host the Hico Tigers.

Lets all try to remember to keep a watchful eye out for children going to and from school now that the school year has started. Our children are our most important asset and we should keep an eye open for

PANTHERS IMPRESSIVE: SCRIMMAGE PERRIN FRIDAY

The 1983 Panther football team has its first scrimmage last Friday night with an improved Tolar team. As is the case in all pre-season scrimmages the defense was more impressive than the offense. The Panther defense showed lots of desire and team effort. The offense had some bright moments but it takes time and timing to get the offense perfected.

is playing some boys in new position and they will in time become familiar with their new positions. The boys have accepted this challenge and are doing real well. The 1983 Panther squad is not very heavy but are quick and fast and have that all important ingredient good attitude and as Dave Campbell said in his magazine the Panthers will have a fun season and will be interesting to watch.

Coach Gibbs has some good experienced players but in order to strengthen the line

This Friday night at Brogdon Field it will be Son

The Bill Snider's To Mark 50th Anniversary

The children and grand children of Mr. Mrs. William I. (Bill) Snider request the honor of your presence at the reception honoring their parents on their 50th Wedding Anniversary Saturday September 3, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. at the home of Mr. Mrs. Garland Fraley.

Mrs. Snider is the former Hugh Shugart. The couple were Married August 22, 1933 and both are life long natives of the Gorman area.

—GP—

Class of 1966 To Hold Class Reunion

The graduating class of 1966 are planning a get together of class mates at Homecoming Saturday September 1. They will meet from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Fire Hall.

Everyone please come.

—GP—

Class of 1933 To Hold 50th Reunion

The graduating class of 1933 would like to have all of the class members and also those who would have been in the graduating class to come to Homecoming this year - September 17 for a 50th year reunion.

If those who plan to come will notify the Progress office, names will be published prior to homecoming. Hopefully this will encourage some to attend that may not otherwise.

Come on Class '33 lets get together and set a record for class attendance.

—GP—

Junior Class Elects New Officers

The Junior Class of Gorman High School met Monday and elected class officers to serve the 1983-84 school year.

Russ Gressett will head the class as President; Jeff Ripley was elected vice president; Angie Plantaury secretary; Lisa Foster Treasurer and Angela Burgess reporter.

Milton Jensen and Bo Caraway were elected as Junior class sponsors.

Junior class reporter, Angela Burgess.

humid temperature. Your presence, good, wishes, cards, and gifts were greatly appreciated. It was a day we will long remember.

Frank and Mozell Rhymes

SCHOOLS SET TAX RATE

The Gorman Schools set the tax rate for the 1983-84 school year at .50 per \$100/evaluation. The rate last year was .44 per \$100/evaluation. The increase was due to the loss of 5 million dollars from the tax roll, this was caused by errors and adjustments on the tax roll. The calculated rate that was published in the paper in early August for the school district showed that a rate of .47 per \$100/evaluation would be needed to bring in the same monies as the .44 per

\$100/evaluation did last year. The board set the rate at .50 per \$100/evaluation in order to operate the 1983-84 school budget. I hope that the values set for the Gorman School District will not go down this year as they did last year.

School attendance is very important not only to your child's educational needs, but also how state monies are earned by the district. I would encourage all parents to see that your child is in school each day when possible.

PARK ASSOCIATION MEETING

There will be a Park Association Meeting on Monday, Aug. 29 at 8:00 p.m. at the Park. A nominating committee has been appointed and are working toward presenting a new slate of officers for approval at that time. Suggestions are needed for activities for the coming year. Everyone is urged to attend. More interested people are needed to participate in this organization.

Lunches were raised 5c this year to meet the rising cost of food, maintenance, and labor.

Remember the offices are always open to you at the Gorman Schools if you wish to come by and visit the school. I believe we have one of the best faculty in the state to work with your children and I am looking forward to another outstanding year for the Gorman Schools.

G.W. Maxfield, Supt.

—GP—

LOOK WHO'S NEW IT'S A BOY

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Warren of Lubbock announce the birth of their son, Bryan Trey. He was born on Monday, August 15, 1983 at 7:55 P.M. in the Lubbock Methodist Hospital. He weighed 9 lbs. 2 oz. and was 21 3/4 inches long.

He has an older brother, C.G., 7 years old.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hunt of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. George Warren of Gorman. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Cecil H. Robertson and Leland Warren all of Gorman.

—GP—

NOTE OF APPRECIATION

Our thanks and appreciation to friends and family for making our birthday celebration such happy and memorable one.

We were overwhelmed by the large number who attended despite extrem

THOUGHTS FOR THE CITY COMMISSION

I admit I am prejudiced. I like dogs. I have no criticism of those who do not like dogs or do not understand my attachments to my pets. People are different.

I do not understand anyone who would feel they had a right to punish me for my liking for dogs.

Most people have been very nice about my liking for dogs. The first few days after we moved to Gorman a person I knew shot our dog while the children were playing with it in our yard. They were chasing it and it ran into the next field. It took a lot of explaining to my 5, 7, and 9 year old to help them to understand why a stranger in a strange town would randomly shoot their pet.

I finally believe that a very big effort should be made by its owner of the dog to take care of it and that means keeping it at home, well fed and loved.

I have lived in larger towns - two years in San Antonio with my dog. I am very familiar with rules about keeping dogs in. In San Antonio there was a pound where stray dogs were kept and cared for until the owner could be notified by the address on the tags it had received from the vet when it had its shots. I believe for its own health all dogs and animals should have recommended shots.

I have paid for damage my dogs have had to have done on complaints. Mostly I have paid for chickens when I knew about it. I believe in being responsible for the dogs actions.

Now about an ordinance. The issue is not whether those who do not like dogs have the right to defy me and my pet. The issue is what will such an ordinance in a town this small mean to everyone in it. Any citizen in this town can call any near by city and find the cost of such an ordinance to a city.

Stephenville has such an ordinance I know. It is against State law to randomly destroy a neighbors pet or animal. Since this is a rural community you can understand we

them for sometimes they don't watch out like they should.

—J—

And remember to smile - because God Loves You!

have no right to shoot a neighbors bull.

If we should pass an ordinance about animals of any kind we have to provide a clean-safe-healthy place to keep the animal we pick up and pay a salary to the person who runs the shelter, or pound. As a tax payer in a town too small to afford the salary and adequate legal housing of animals involved I stongly voice objections to an ordinance concerning confining pets or animals in this town.

Ester Bolt

THANK YOU

We would like to take this means to thank each and every one who had a part in extinguishing the raging fire that swept the peanut processing plant: "Peanut Corp. of America" in the early hours of Aug. 18th, 1983, near Gorman.

To Kenneth Butler who called the fire Dept. and reported to us, that the plant was burning; to the eight-different fire Dept's. from other towns: Carbon, Cisco, Eastland, Ranger, De Leon, Comanche, Dublin, and last, but not least; the Gorman Fire Dept. who were on the scene fighting the raging blaze and tremendous smoke at once.

To H-T-H Oil Field Service from Eastland who furnished water with two tankers at the scene and every effort made to try to help in any way.

To Alfredo Meres (foreman) who risk his life along side the plant manager who went inside the plant to find the Center of the blaze.

Thank you, Vic Stacy, for your courageous help with your fork lift on the new foundation for the ware house under construction. With this piece of equipment they were able to enter, and reach the most severe portion which was burning most rapidly.

To any one, we may have missed, we want to thank each and every one who helped in any way on one of the most damaging fires in this vicinity in a long time.

In some way, we hope we may be able to reimburse you handsomely in a worthy way.

Very Sincerely,
Larry Stewart
(plant Mgr.)
and wife
Ramona

ITEMS OF INTEREST

American Legion Post 471 of De Leon will sponsor a dance at the American Legion Hall on Friday, August 26 at 8:00 p.m. Music by Country Combination.

South Eastland County Hospital District Board will meet the Third Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Hospital.

A Musical will be held the Second Friday night of each month at 7:00 P.M. at the Fire Hall. The Public is invited to attend.

Gorman Chapter 443 O.E.S. meets 1st Monday each month at 7:30 p.m.



Crimestoppers will meet the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center.



Star-Telegram/KAREN POTTER

LARRY STEWART... plant manager on scene of fire

August 18, 1983

Karen Potter

Star-Telegram Writer

They call Gorman the "peanut capital of the Southwest." Some even call the Eastland County town of 1,258 the "peanut capital of the world." Everybody in town has something to do with peanuts, either growing them, shelling them, processing them, selling them or taking care of the people who take care of the peanuts.

One link in Gorman's peanut-producing process was cut early Thursday when a fire of suspicious origin broke out at Peanut Crop. of America's processing plant one mile west of town. The metal building still stands, although one end wall is partially knocked in and a portion of the ceiling is buckled.

The usually shinning stainless steel machinery that the plant uses for roasting, salting and packaging peanuts is blackened with smoke, as is the entire plant interior. At the loading dock, where state arson investigator Gil Harper said he suspects the fire began, the smell of burlap-bagged roasted peanuts piled just inside was strong Thursday afternoon, but not as strong as the smell of smoke.

Plant manager Larry Stewart, exhausted after a night of fighting the fire until it was controlled at about 4:30 a.m., looked up to see a customer come to pick up his peanuts. He shook his head and walked up to meet the man.

"Sir, I don't have your peanuts, they're all burned up," Stewart said, apologetically. "Yeah, really roasted," he said with a faint laugh.

Police Chief Cecil Funderberg said Thursday that town officials were looking at the possibility of arson. "It's possible it was arson, and equally possible it was an accident," Harper said. "A couple of things look suspicious.

Harper sent burlap bags that had been piled on the loading dock to the Department of Public Safety lab in Austin Thursday afternoon for tests.

The fire was reported at 12:05 a.m. Thursday by a neighbor across from the processing plant, Funderberg said. Eight neighboring towns sent volunteer fire departments and a total of 11 trucks to fight the blaze. HTH Trucking Co. of Eastland sent two tanker trucks to haul water.

Stewart said he hoped to get the debris shoveled out and the

plant cleaned as soon as possible to resume processing peanuts, maybe within two or three weeks.

"I don't think there's any problem with the machinery," Stewart said. "Of course, I can't say till we get the electricity back on."

The processing plant is owned by the Hugh Parnell family of Lynchburg, Va., and employs between 17 and 20 people. Peanuts come from four states throughout the year for processing, said family member Zelda Parnell. Stewart estimated that the plant processes 22,000 pounds of peanuts a day, 21 days a month.

The peanuts, which come shelled from the Birdsong shelling plant in Gorman, are processed in several forms: oil-roasted and salted peanuts, dry-roasted, granulated peanuts (for use in cookies and other foods and for ice cream coating) and some peanut butter.

The products are sold and shipped in 30-pound boxes to companies all over the country and some even to Greece, said Stewart's wife Ramona. Five-pound boxes of peanuts are sold directly to customers at the plant.

"We're getting ready to add a store on front," Stewart said. "We were fixing to put in a big machine to make more peanut butter."

One the end of the plant that had the worst damage, a slab had been poured for the addition of warehouse space. Building on the planned warehouse will continue as soon as the plant reopens, Stewart said.

Meanwhile, on farms surrounding the processing plant, the next peanut crop is being irrigated. Peanuts were planted in the sandy soil last spring and will be harvested in late fall and early winter.

Most of the peanut plots in Comanche, Eastland, and Erath counties, about 1,000 or so, are owned by individual farmers, said Mary Webb, executive director of the Texas Peanut Producers Board, which is headquartered in Gorman.

"I figure we may have as many as a third of the peanut farms in Texas (in the three-county area)," Webb said. "We have the largest shelling company in the southwest here, the Texas Peanut Produce Board and the headquarters of the Southwestern Peanut Growers Association here. With those three, I suppose that would make Gorman the peanut hub of the southwest."

CARD OF THANKS

Words could never express our sincere thanks and appreciation to our friends and neighbors for

the many deeds of kindness expressed in so many ways during the loss of our loved one, Pearl Abernathy.

Our thanks to Dr. Eisenrich for his excellent care and to the De Leon Nursing Home and its entire staff for the special care and attention she received during her lengthy illness, we will always be grateful.

To Bro. Jerry Speers for his words of comfort, to the ones who rendered the

music, for the beautiful flowers, the memorial gifts, the delicious food and for the many prayers offered in our behalf our special thanks to each of you from the depth of our hearts.

May God richly bless you.

Melvin F. Abernathy
Mr. and Mrs.
Mark E. Abernathy
and family
Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Pair
and family

News

Visitors in the home of Ruby Bennett over the weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bennett of Weatherford, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bennett and Mark of Cleburne, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Bennett of Eastland and Velma Bennett of Gorman.

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

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TWO FAMILY GARAGE SALE: Saturday at the home of Ralph Hudson on Crescent Street. Winter coat, lots of clothes, saddle and many misc. items. 1-8-25 C.

GORMAN CARE CENTER NEWS
By Jettie Dualela

Last week's Bingo Winners were: Game I, Ollie Nelson No. II Lonzo Coffman, No. 3 Vernon Hamilton, No. 4 Ollie Nelson,

SEVERAL FAMILY GARAGE SALE: Friday and Saturday at the John West home on Duster Hwy., south of Gorman. Lots of everything. 1-8-25 C.

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Game 4 Ora Files. Black Out Game was won by Jesse Roberts.

This Thursday and Friday from 9:A.M. to 4:P.M. there will be a yard sale here at Gorman Care Center.

Hope to see you there. Come and Brouse with your neighbors and friends.

On Monday night, the 29th. We will have a Musical starting at 7:P.M. Everyone is invited to come jion us.

On the 9th. of September the employees of Gorman Care Center will have a Bake Sale in front of the Post Office at 8:A.M.

Johnnie, we need a cake or two.

YARD SALE: Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Misc. items and some antiques at 707 on Desdemona Hwy. 1-8-25

CLARK FAMILY REUNION HELD SATURDAY

The decendants of the late John and Callie Clark met at the farm home of Mr. Mrs. George Hollifield Saturday, August 20, for the annual family reunion.

The families met in the early afternoon and enjoyed an evening meal in the back yard of the home.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. George Hollifield, and Othell Clark and Bill of Gorman and his grandson Greg George of Rucker; Lorena Clark of Gorman; Estelle Craddock of Gorman and her daughter Kay Ann Craddock of Richardson; D.L. Clark and Robby of Comfort; Mr. and Mrs. Terry Clark, Sharla, Christian David and Sommer of Gorman; Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Clark, Jeffrey Paul and Melissa of Gorman; John Edward Clark of Granbury. Devin Savage of Gorman was a visitor.

D.L. Clark and Robb remained for several days visit with his brothers Terry and Tommy Clark.

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Mrs. R. V. Hill Services Held Monday

Mrs. R.V. Hill, 71, of Fort Worth, mother of Mrs. Billie Faye Parker of Abilene, died at 5:30 p.m. Friday August 19, 1983 at St. Joseph's Hospital in Fort Worth. Services were at 2:30 p.m. Monday at Edwards Funeral Home in Eastland.

was at Murray Cemetery near Carbon. Born Aug. 18, 1912, in San Augustine, she married Loyd Wesley Arnold in 1925 in San Augustine. He died in 1949. She married Warren S. Hill in February 1962. She was a licensed practical nurse for 30 years and a member of the Church of Christ and the Order of the Easter Star. Survivors include her husband; two daughters, Mrs. Billie Faye Parker of Abilene and Mrs. Velma Leach of Fort Worth; a son,

Lottie C. Caraway Laid To Rest

Lottie C. Caraway, 93, of Comyn, died at 3:40 a.m. Danny D. Arnold of Cabot, Ark.; five brothers, N.B. McBride of San Augustine, Nicholas McBride of Mansfield. John Henry and James McBride, both of Milam, and Edward McBride of Massachusetts; a sister, Mrs. Geraldine Reese of Vita; nine grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Thursday August 18, 1983 at De Leon Nursing Home after a lengthy illness. Services were at 10:30 a.m. Friday at De Leon Memorial Chapel. Payne Hattox officiated. Burial was at De Leon Cemetery. Born Jan. 4, 1890, in Comyn, she was a homemaker and a member of Comyn Baptist Church. She married Calvin M. Caraway Sr., Oct. 15, 1905, in Comyn. He died Sept. 26, 1973. A son, C.M. Jr. died July

Services For 'Doc' Calvert Held Monday

W.E. "Doc" Calvert, 87, 29, 1980. Survivors include a son, Autry of De Leon; two daughters, Naomi Hilley and Ina Spencer, both of De Leon; two brothers, Clarence Floyd of De Leon and Amis Floyd of San Angelo; nine grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandchildren.

a longtime resident of Ranger, died Saturday morning at his home after a short illness. Services were at 2:30 p.m. Monday at Mesquite and Rusk Street Church of Christ, directed by Edwards Funeral Home. Officiating was Ronnie Lowe, minister of Mesquite and Rusk Street Church of Christ. Burial was at Alameda Cemetery. Born Nov. 16, 1894, in Ennis, he came to the Chaney community, south of Ranger, as a small child

UMW PARTY HONORS JOEL AND HEAVENLY PITTMAN
The United Methodist Women met in the home of Mrs. Pauline Dennis. Monday Aug. 22 at 9:30 a.m. We were happy to welcome Joel Pittman back with his parents. He married Alice Mosley in Chaney Oct. 31, 1914. He was a member of the Chaney Church of Christ and was a farmer and cattle trader for most of his life. Survivors include his wife of Ranger; two sons, G.H. and Dr. James, both of Fort Worth; a daughter, Marj Lamb of Ranger; a brother, O.C. of Odessa; a sister Mrs. Oleta Reese of Fort Worth; five grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a daughter and a son. —GP—

with us after his return from New York and he said he was glad to be back to Texas. We were so glad also to honor little Heavenly Lee Pittman, at the same time. Mrs. Ruby Area Pres. presented the gifts to them and Rev. Donna Ware gave a beautiful childrens poem and prayer. A pretty Photo Album was given to Baby Heavenly Lee and a beautiful aqua velour sweater to Joel. A special gift to Missions was given to honor each of the children. The gift is sent to the Women's Division Treasurer and goes to help others - a gift certificate is sent to honor each one and to help others in Missions. Lilia, mother of the honories was real proud as she gives to missions to help others and also honor the children at the same time. She expressed thanks to us all. Refreshments was served from a beautiful decorated table with a party basket filled with balloons, lolly pops and candy. Cookies and strawberry punch was served to 23 members and guests by the host Pualine Dennis and co-hostesses Beryl Rodgers, Ruby Area and Theresa Parker. Reporter, Ruby Area —GP—

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LAURA STEWART FRED ILEY PLEDGE VOWS JULY 23
Laura Stewart of Stephenville and Fred Iley of Rt. 1, Ranger were married July 23 in the Chapel on the Bosque in Stephenville. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L.C. Stewart of Stephenville. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Iley of Route 1, Ranger.

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Eighth grade students elected class officers Monday in their first regular class meeting. Don Rodgers was elected class president; Scott Gressett vice-president; Mollie Vaughn, secretary; Randal Gibbs, treasurer; Trent Harrison and Julie Williams, reporters and Kim Canet party committee chairperson.

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CITY CHIT CHAT

By Charlie L. Garrett, Mayor

Your City Commission met on August 18 with all Commissioners and the Mayor present. Others attending were Mrs. Edna Brinegar, Mrs. Bernice Jeffs, Mrs. Tommie Haile, Mr. Roy Parker and Mr. Johnny Ingram.

Mr. Parker met with us to request that Winkler Street be opened from the Kokomo Highway north to the City Limits. The Commission heard his reasons for such request and told him that records would be searched to determine the status of the street and would take official action on the request based upon what was found.

We discussed the back hoe machine and tried to decide whether to spend some \$4,000 to \$5,000 on repairs or purchase a new machine. The cost of a new one would run possibly \$20,000 to \$23,000. At this time, we are looking at possible repairs.

We opened bids from two bidders on street work and awarded the lowest bid to Swartz Construction Co. of Comanche. For the streets on which we requested bid, the bid was approximately \$13,000. There will be other streets added when these are finished if we have the money. One of the major repairs will be Winkler

Street from Highway 6 to the Kokomo Highway. A portion or all of this street will be redone.

We set the tax rate for 1983 at 31.9c per \$100 valuation as compared to a rate of 26.3c for 1982. This is an increase of 5.6c per \$100. This rate increased was due to at least three factors. First, we had errors in last years roll of over \$1,000,000 for which we collected no tax which gave us a loss of taxes in 1982. Second, due to corrections and the lowering of valuations for 1983, we lost a sizeable amount of tax value. Third, due to a ruling by the Supreme Court, a portion of bank assets are no longer taxable.

The rate that we adopted

will not add any great amount to your taxes. It will amount to 56c for each \$1,000 of value of your property. This will figure \$5,60 for each \$10,000 of value. If you have a home valued at \$30,000 your tax for 1982 was 78.90 and for 1983 it will be 97.70, or an increase of 16.80. With this increase, most of the tax payers will still pay less tax in 1983 than they paid in 1981 before property was revalued. Also this year we are again allowing discounts of 3% if paid in October, 2% in November, and 1% in December. If the above example were paid in October, you would get a discount of 2.93. This would make you tax \$94.77. This would make you tax only 13.87 more than in 1982.

There were two who showed up for the Public Hearing on the proposed Dog and Dead Animal Ordinance and the Community Development Grant. After hearing from those present and re-reading of the Ordinance on Dogs and Dead Animals, the Commission voted to adopt the Ordinance on second reading to become effective on October 1, 1983. This amount of time will give everyone time to build a pen or make whatever arrangements that need to be made in order to comply. At that time it will be unlawful for any dog to be allowed to run at large in the City Limits of Gorman. Dogs must be vaccinated for rabies and must be wearing a current tag and owner must have certification from a veterinarian showing such vaccination. Dogs must be restrained by being kept in a pen or on a leash under control of the owner at all times.

Recent visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Freed were Mr. and Mrs. Lester Bell of Corrigan, Mr. and Mrs. Kent Alexander, Summer and Aaron, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Alexander and Kirk Alexander of Dallas, Oliver Feig of Essingen, West Germany and Rusty Freed of Stephenville. Also visiting with the Freeds was John Tykol of Elgin, Illinois. John returned with Rusty to Stephenville to spend a few days with the Freeds. Mildred Freed and Rusty Freed of Stephenville spent the past few days in Houston visiting friends and relatives while Rusty is on break from TSU.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Browning, Donna and Gary self in their place and see how you would feel if their dog or other noise kept you awake all night. Think about it.

The removal of dead animals Ordinance requires any individual having a dead animal on his property or property under his control to remove same at his expense. The Ordinance may be read in it's entirety at the City hall on any regular working day during regular working hours.

When we have time to study the situation, the Dog Control Ordinance may be amended so that we can have some control over dogs that disturb by continual barking or howling during the night. We felt that this needed more study. We will let you know if we do this, but in the meantime, I am asking that anyone who has a dog that barks and disturbs neighbors to please try to do something to prevent such disturbance. Just put your-

KOKOMO NEWS

By Zelda Jordan Phone 639-2289

A little over an inch of rain came early on Saturday morning, here at our house. Wish it could have been more, but we are thankful for whatever we get.

Special music at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday morning was rendered by Woodrow, Helen and Donna Browning and Bro. Jim Andrews, accompanied by Helen on the piano. Visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Larry Messenger of Wichita Falls, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Jackson and Andrea of Seminole, Jim Lewallen of Floydada, Alissa Burgess of Granbury and Joe and David Little.

Alissa Burgess of Granbury was visiting during the weekend with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Durwood Burgess, Angela and Glenn.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Burgess of Wichita Falls were weekend visitors with Bro. and Mrs. Jim Andrews, Jim Don and Billy.

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Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Browning, Donna and Gary

have recently returned from a vacation trip thru Oklahoma to Dodge City, Kansas and on to Colorado Springs, Colo. where they spent two days enjoying the mountains and seeing all the tourist attractions. They came home thru New Mexico, spending one night and spent the last night of the trip in Canyon, Tex.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Little, and James and Jill Lowrance vacationed last week in Colorado and New Mexico.

Mrs. Jerry Hallmark and Amy of San Angelo came by for her mother, Mrs. Dora Garrett on Friday and they went on to spend the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Mikeska and LeeVi in Mason. They also made a trip into San Antonio on Saturday. They returned home on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hendricks were in Eastland on Monday night to attend the wedding shower of Mrs. Richard Harrison, the former Kristen Willough-

by, in the home of Mrs. T.D. Crowder. They also visited with Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Cozart and Jimmy Dale Hendricks.

Mrs. Robert Fortenberry of Carbon entered the Medical Plaza hospital in Fort Worth on Tuesday to have back surgery on Wednesday. We wish Evelyn a very speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Jordan were in Abilene on Tuesday and had lunch with their daughter, Glenda Miles.

Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Spencer of San Antonio spent Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Cullen Rodgers. Mr. and Mrs. Rodgers spent Saturday night in Midlothian visiting with Gene and Jimmy Rodgers and their families.

Mrs. Frankie Jarrett of Gorman her daughters, Kay Watson of Gorman and Rita Robertson of Abilene and Lavelle Rodgers visited during the weekend in Portales, N.M. with their aunt, Mrs. Frankie Jasper, who will be 100 years old on Sept. 2 and her son, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Jasper. They also visited in Lubbock with their sister, Mr. and Mrs. A.D. McCullough and with and aunt, Mrs.

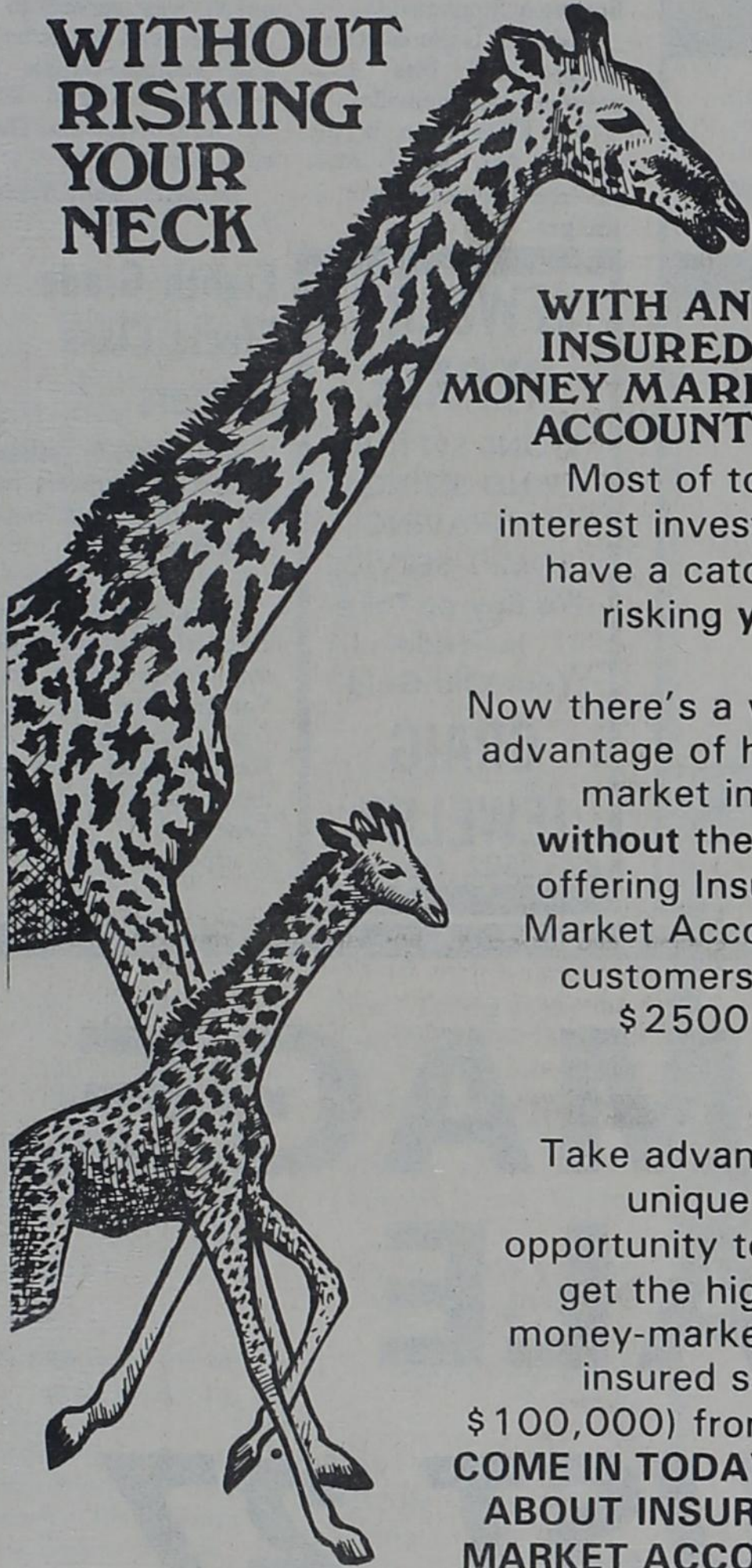
HOSPITAL REPORT

Patients listed in Blackwell Hospital on Wednesday morning were: Bill Barrett - Gorman Carol Hogan - Gorman Billie Bannister - Gorman Alda Snodgrass - Gorman Addie Moseley - Gorman C.H. Odom - Carbon Walter Owen - Gorman Lenard Silva - Gorman Thodie Semeraski - Strawn Thomas Forrest - Gorman L. Wesley Couch - Gorman

Patients Dismissed August 17 Frances Denton August 18 Letha Pittman Sally Jay M. Rone August 19 Garnet Adams Ruby Daniels Izetta Blackshear August 20 Walter Swintz August 21 Ernest Weaver Jessie Lemley August 22 Pearl Weeks August 23 Emma Fox Bertie Davis and in Littlefield with another aunt, Mrs. Lorado McKnight.

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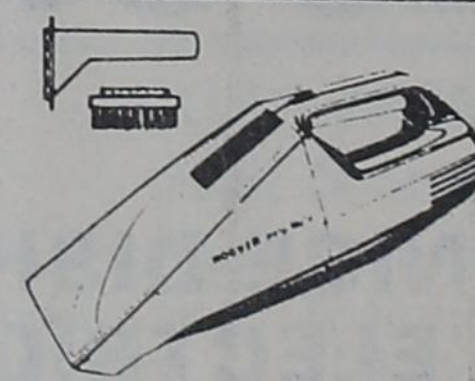
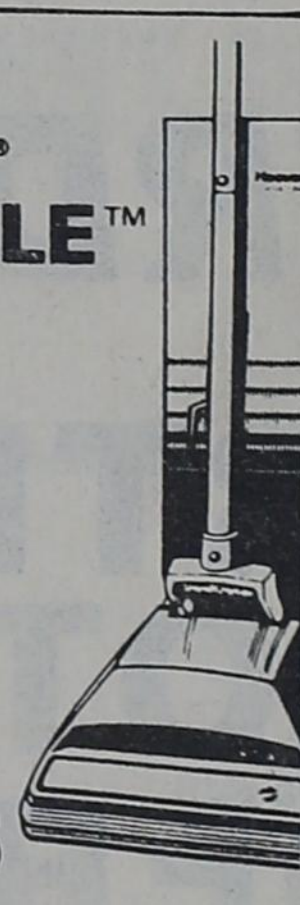
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RANCH RODEO — A STEP IN THE PAST

One hundred years ago when the first rodeo came into being, it was a contest between ranch cowboys. The cowboy and rodeo gradually changed to what cowboy and professional rodeo. Let's go back to the ranch to cowboy and the work performed in their every day life.

Sept. 2nd and 3rd at 8:00 P.M. at the Brownwood Fair Grounds, the Brown County Youth Fair, Ass'n. will sponsor a Ranch Rodeo from the past. Teams from area ranches will be represented. Each team will have four members. They will participate in wild cow milking, team roping, bronc riding, team branding and horse catching. All contestants will compete in full ranch regalia.

Teams from Mason, Brady, Llano, Menard, Calahan, Runnels, and Coleman will go to work for the rodeo. These men are cowboys. Their work produces the meat and fiber used all over the world. They don't have time to rodeo often, but they do like to pit their skills against other cowboys.

The Rocking Chair Ranch of Coleman will be represented by John Roberts, Billy Golsun, Clyde Watkins, and Tommy Dreibrudt. Representing the Spiller Ranch of Brady are: George Spiller, Jack Spiller, Mike Hernandez, and John Freazier. The Freeman Ranch of Llano will be Bart Freeman, Charley Kuykendall, Diana Blankenship, and Darrel B. Lubke. From Ballinger the Neff Ranch has Robert Neff and son, Frank Reyes, and Jerry Hornerto try for the win. Butch Jones, Willie White, Karl Kothmann, and Johnny Bounds make up the Rafter J of Mason. The Rice Ranch of Brady will be Mike Rice, Bob Rice, Grant Jones, and Todd Whitesell.

Championship belt buckles will be awarded to each winning team member.

A boot race will be held for the kids and a belt buckle awarded the winner each night.

Join the Brown County Youth Fair Ass'n. for two nights of real fun for the

The Gordon Spot

By De Marquis Gordon
County Extension Agent

This has been a very dry summer for most areas of Eastland County. I have heard some producers who have had to sell their livestock, some have been hauling water to livestock and others have sold their calves early because of a shortage of grass. Hay is already in short supply and it would be disastrous to start feeding hay now. As one stockman told me this week "It's a long time until May." Hopefully by the time you read this column we will have had some rain from the gulf storm.

Most of the time we associate feeding cows with cold and maybe wet weather, not exactly the conditions found in Eastland County this summer. Or, we know that extreme drought may require feeding. However, there are other times when certain types of supplements are useful.

Late summer typically finds pasture and range grasses dropping in quality, particularly protein and phosphorous. In fact, phosphorous is deficient in warm season grasses a large part of the year, except late spring and early summer, the usual period of lush growth.

entire family. The Brown County Fair Grounds is the place.

—GP—

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For all the kindness you, the people of our town, have shown to me and to Milton Jr.

In giving of yourself, your time, your love and your prayers. We give thanks to God and to you, our friends.

Lucretia Fairbetter

For this reason, many successful operators supplement minerals year-round, but this practice is especially important once we reach mid-summer. Since phosphorous is deficient, mineral mixes should be priced and fed according to their phosphorous content. Appropriate minerals for range or pasture should contain 8% to 15% phosphorous. Salt should also be provided.

While it may be just as deficient as phosphorous, protein supplementation is much less likely to be attended to by most cattlemen in late summer. But small amounts of protein can be very beneficial in making maximum use of low quality grass.

Choice may be made from various feeds containing 25% to 50% protein such as oilseed and pellets (including salt-limited mixes), protein blocks, liquids, and molasses blocks. Lower protein feeds (15% to 25%) could also be used, especially good quality alfalfa hay, whole cottonseed, or breeder cubes. However, larger amounts of these lower protein sources should be provided, resulting in extra expense.

Providing small amounts of supplemental protein will be helpful only if adequate low quality grass is available. But, if pastures are very short, either from drought or over-grazing, supplemental energy (usually as hay or grain) will be needed.

Small expenditures for phosphorous and protein can be more than returned by eliminating typical late-summer drops in animal performance.

We have a hay show scheduled for October 4 in Eastland County, but now I am wondering about participation because of the short crop. I would like some opinions of hay producers.

Hay shows provide an opportunity to compare different samples of hay and help producers evaluate what makes high-quality hay. Hay is a major portion

SCHOOL MENU

Week August 29 - Sept. 2

Monday:
Cornie Dogs, Augrauton potatoes, fried okra, peanut butter cookies and milk

Tuesday:
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Wednesday:
Fried chicken, mashed potatoes, English peas, hot rolls, peach cobbler and milk

Thursday:
Macaroni delight, green beans, buttered carrots corn bread, ginger bread and milk

of the roughage diet of many ruminant animals, so an evaluation of food value and protein content help and protein content can help growers determine hay quality more easily so that livestock can be fed according to hay value.

An individual entering a hay sample will know the value of his hay when the show is over. Samples will have a protein analysis run and physically evaluated as to leafiness, steminess, color, foreign material and maturity.

Livestock producers preparing to feed hay will know if their hay is adequate to meet animal needs or if supplements are needed. Hay shows can take a lot of guesswork out of livestock feeding.

Besides, providing a hay analysis, hay shows can be educational. Discussion topics often deal with such areas as production, haying equipment, soil fertility, hay storage, hay quality differences, feeding value, forage testing and forage for hay production. It can be place where interested individuals can learn a lot about a nationwide activity.

I would like to hear from hay producers so the livestock and forage committee can make a decision on whether to have a hay show this year.

CONGRESSIONAL COMMENT

By Charles W. Stenholm
Death and taxes, we have always been told, are the only two certainties in life.

Medical technology has, however, thrust us all into a bewildering and costly world of organ transplants, artificial hearts and the conquest of more and more diseases. Medical experts are now beginning to talk about average life spans which will exceed the hundred-year mark in the not-too-distant future. More and more, the power of life and death resides in human hands. But the public largess -- fed by our tax monies -- is less and less able to meet the costs of these advances.

The capabilities of the bio-medical sciences -- both to prevent and to cure illness -- have expanded immensely in the past half century. Today health care can offer dramatic remedies for previously untreated conditions. But an important factor compounds the pursuit of maximum good health for everyone: the inescapable reality of limited resources.

As the capabilities of health care have expanded, the strain placed on already strapped personal budgets, employer benefit programs and government treasuries has become a matter of increasing concern.

The reality of restricted resources means patients, health care professionals and society at large must face an ethical problem: having to choose the uses to which limited -- and in some cases very scarce -- resources will be put.

Society has to compare health care expenditures with other areas of public and private spending. And there are tough choices within the health care budget -- between treatment and research, between restorative steps for those already ill and preventive steps for those who may be at risk, among

different age groups, and even different diseases.

We in Congress became more graphically aware of society's dilemma when we had to face the issue of kidney dialysis. Because the cost per patient -- often over \$25,000 annually -- is beyond the means of most Americans, Congress in 1972 authorized Medicare to pay nearly all dialysis expenses. The estimated cost then was less than \$250 million a year, but by 1981 the dialysis program was costing Medicare \$1.5 billion dollars. By the end of this year, the price tag for this one medical procedure is expected to hit more than \$2 billion.


During the first year of the program, 11,000 people sought dialysis. As the procedure became more tested and proven, that figure has increased more than sixfold.

It doesn't take a computer to calculate the economic stress that such increased public costs have caused already and the almost impossible resource demands in the future. Government alone cannot bear the total burden of responsibility. It must be shared by others in society -- beginning with the medical community and ultimately spreading to all other sectors of the public.

It would appear that those two old adages, death and taxes (or perhaps we should say health and taxes), are on an ethical collision course. This week's examination of health care issues ends then with a question, not an answer: Do we have the courage and the wisdom to make the hard choices in balancing our limited financial resources and unlimited health care needs?

—GP—
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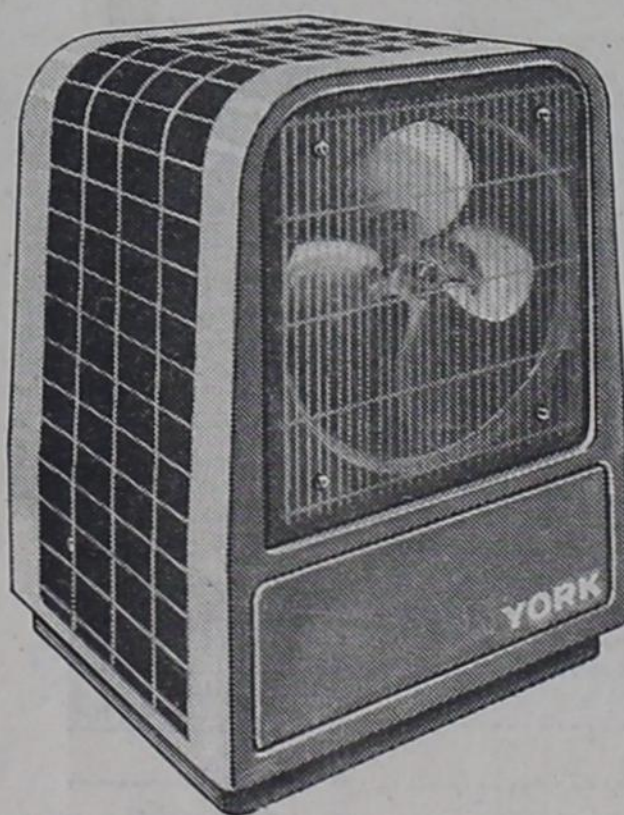
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NOTICE OF CALCULATION OF EFFECTIVE TAX RATE AND PUBLICATION OF ESTIMATED UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCES

I, Steve Thomas, Chief Appraiser for Eastland County, in accordance with the provisions of Sec. 26.04, Property Tax Code, have calculated the tax rate which may not be exceeded by more than three percent by the Commissioner's Court of the Eastland County without holding a public hearing as required by the code. That rate is as follows:

\$ 0- per \$100 for farm-to-market/flood control tax;
 \$.13701 per \$100 for the general fund, permanent improvement fund and road and bridge fund tax;
 + \$.04855 per \$100 for public road maintenance tax; thus
 \$.18556 per \$100 TOTAL COUNTY EFFECTIVE TAX RATE

The estimated unencumbered fund balances are as follows:

<u>Farm-to-Market/Flood Control</u>		<u>Public Road Maintenance</u>	
Maintenance & Operation: \$ <u>0-</u>		Maintenance & Operation: \$ <u>205,854</u>	
Interest & Sinking: \$ <u>0-</u>		Interest & Sinking: \$ <u>0-</u>	
<u>General Fund</u>		<u>Steve Thomas-Chief Appraiser</u>	
Maintenance & Operation: \$ <u>7,588</u>		<u>August 23, 1983</u>	
Interest & Sinking: \$ <u>19,110</u>			

CALCULATIONS USED TO DETERMINE EFFECTIVE TAX RATE

Separate calculations are performed for each type of tax rate levied by Eastland County in order to determine a 1983 total effective tax rate. The following guide corresponds with the calculations shown: A - Farm-to-market Road/Flood Control Tax; B - General Fund Tax; C - Maintenance of Public Roads Tax.

I. DATA Type of Tax: B

1. 1982 Total tax levy from the 1982 tax roll	\$ <u>639,118</u>
2. 1982 Tax rate (\$ <u>.10</u> M&O and \$ <u>.025</u> I&S)	\$ <u>127,824</u> /\$100
3. 1982 Debt service (I&S) levy	\$ <u>511,294</u>
4. 1982 Maintenance and operation (M&O) levy	\$ <u>0-</u>
5. 1982 M&O taxes on property in territory that has ceased to be a part of the unit in 1983	\$ <u>3,144</u>
6. 1982 M&O taxes on property becoming exempt in 1983	\$ <u>0-</u>
7. 1982 M&O taxes on taxable value lost because property is appraised at less than market value in 1983	\$ <u>10,502</u>
8. 1983 Total taxable value of all property	\$ <u>561,064,850</u>
9. 1983 Taxable value of new improvements added since Jan. 1, 1982	\$ <u>93,873,989</u>
10. 1983 Taxable value of property annexed since Jan. 1, 1982	\$ <u>0-</u>
11. 1983 Tax levy needed to satisfy debt service (I&S)	\$ <u>154,235</u>
*12. Rate to raise 1982 tax levy due to appraisal roll errors (rate that should have been less rate that was levied) (\$ <u>.12800</u> /\$100 - \$ <u>.12500</u> /\$100).	\$ <u>.00300</u> /\$100
*13. Rate to recoup taxes lost in 1982 due to appraisal roll errors (lost dollars divided by 1983 taxable values) (\$ <u>15,315</u> ÷ \$ <u>561,064,850</u>)	\$ <u>.00002</u> /\$100

* Steps necessary for appraisal roll errors (if more than 1% of total appraisal roll), effective for taxing units on June 17, 1983.

II. CALCULATION

MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION (M&O) TAX RATE

1. (A) 1982 Total tax levy (Data 1)	\$ <u>639,118</u>
(B) Subtract 1982 Debt service levy (Data 3)	- \$ <u>127,824</u>
(C) Subtract 1982 Taxes on property no longer in unit (Data 5)	- \$ <u>0-</u>
(D) Subtract 1982 Taxes for exemptions (Data 6)	- \$ <u>3,144</u>
(E) Subtract 1982 Taxes for productivity valuation (Data 7)	- \$ <u>10,502</u>
(F) Adjusted 1982 M&O levy	\$ <u>497,648</u>
2. (A) 1983 Total taxable value of all property (Data 8)	\$ <u>561,064,850</u>
(B) Subtract 1983 Value of new improvements (Data 9)	- \$ <u>93,873,989</u>
(C) Subtract 1983 Value of annexed property (Data 10)	- \$ <u>0-</u>
(D) Adjusted 1983 Taxable value for M&O	\$ <u>467,190,861</u>
3. (A) Divide the adjusted 1982 M&O levy (1-F above) by the adjusted 1983 taxable value for M&O (2-D above) (\$ <u>497,648</u> ÷ \$ <u>467,190,861</u>)	\$ <u>.0010651</u>
(B) Multiply by \$100 valuation	× \$ <u>100</u>
(C) Calculated maintenance and operation (M&O) rate for 1983	\$ <u>.10651</u> /\$100

INTEREST AND SINKING (I&S) TAX RATE

4. (A) 1983 I&S levy needed to satisfy debt (Data 11)	\$ <u>154,235</u>
(B) 1983 Total taxable value of all property (Data 8)	\$ <u>561,064,850</u>
(C) Divide the 1983 I&S levy (4-A above) by the 1983 total taxable value (4-B above) (\$ <u>154,235</u> ÷ \$ <u>561,064,850</u>)	\$ <u>.00027489</u>
(D) Multiply by \$100 valuation	× \$ <u>100</u>
(E) Calculated interest and sinking rate (I&S) for 1983	\$ <u>.02748</u> /\$100

APPRAISAL ROLL ERROR RATE

5. (A) Rate to raise 1982 levy due to appraisal errors (Data 12)	\$ <u>.00300</u> /\$100
(B) Add rate to recoup taxes lost due to errors (Data 13)	+ \$ <u>.00002</u> /\$100
(C) Total rate to adjust for appraisal roll errors	\$ <u>.00302</u> /\$100

1983 EFFECTIVE TAX RATE FOR EACH TAX

6. (A) Calculated maintenance and operation (M&O) rate (3-C above)	\$ <u>.10651</u> /\$100
(B) Add calculated interest and sinking (I&S) rate (4-E above)	+ \$ <u>.02748</u> /\$100
(C) Add rate to adjust for appraisal roll errors (5-C above)	+ \$ <u>.00302</u> /\$100
(D) Calculated 1983 Effective Tax Rate for this tax	\$ <u>.13701</u> /\$100

TOTAL EFFECTIVE TAX RATE FOR 1983

7. Add calculated 1983 effective tax rate for each tax together	\$ <u>0</u> /\$100 + \$ <u>.13701</u> /\$100 + \$ <u>.04855</u> /\$100
	\$ <u>.18556</u> /\$100

1983 Effective Tax Rate for Each Tax Levied and the Total 1983 Effective Tax Rate are the rates published as required by Sec. 26.04, Property Tax Code.

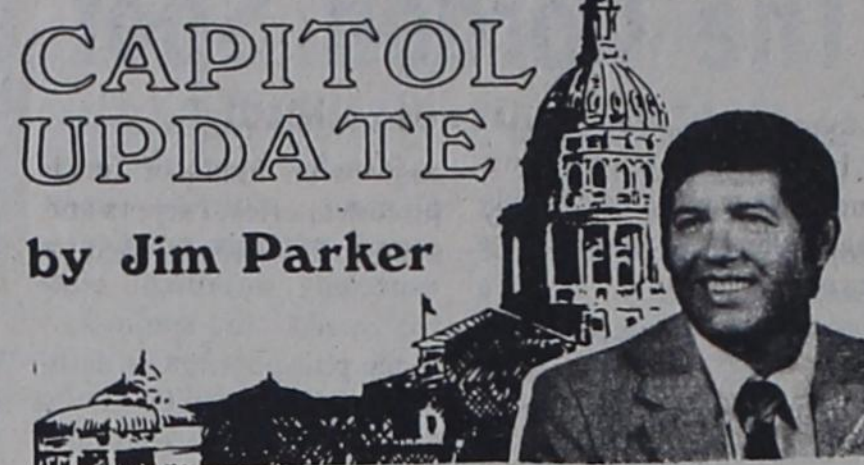
I. DATA Type of Tax: C

1. 1982 Total tax levy from the 1982 tax roll	\$ <u>234,949</u>
2. 1982 Tax rate (\$ <u>.045</u> M&O and \$ <u>0</u> I&S)	\$ <u>.045</u> /\$100
3. 1982 Debt service (I&S) levy	\$ <u>0-</u>
4. 1982 Maintenance and operation (M&O) levy	\$ <u>234,949</u>
5. 1982 M&O taxes on property in territory that has ceased to be a part of the unit in 1983	\$ <u>0-</u>
6. 1982 M&O taxes on property becoming exempt in 1983	\$ <u>11,495</u>
7. 1982 M&O taxes on taxable value lost because property is appraised at less than market value in 1983	\$ <u>4,726</u>
8. 1983 Total taxable value of all property	\$ <u>554,731,980</u>
9. 1983 Taxable value of new improvements added since Jan. 1, 1982	\$ <u>93,873,989</u>
10. 1983 Taxable value of property annexed since Jan. 1, 1982	\$ <u>0-</u>
11. 1983 Tax levy needed to satisfy debt service (I&S)	\$ <u>0-</u>
*12. Rate to raise 1982 tax levy due to appraisal roll errors (rate that should have been less rate that was levied) (\$ <u>.046081</u> /\$100 - \$ <u>.045000</u> /\$100).	\$ <u>.001081</u> /\$100
*13. Rate to recoup taxes lost in 1982 due to appraisal roll errors (lost dollars divided by 1983 taxable values) (\$ <u>5514</u> ÷ \$ <u>554,731,980</u>)	\$ <u>.000009</u> /\$100

* Steps necessary for appraisal roll errors (if more than 1% of total appraisal roll), effective for taxing units on June 17, 1983.

CAPITOL UPDATE

by Jim Parker



I noticed in an article from an Amarillo newspaper that during a conference presented by the Tri-State Institute on Substance Abuse, composed of legal and judicial system members, criticism of the new DWI legislation was voiced. Some of the committee members felt the new law set up a separate and "backward" judicial system for the DWI offenders by treating them more strictly than rapists and murderers. Sen. Bill Sarpalius, author of the bill and a committee member, said while he was not in favor of putting more DWI offenders in jail, he did feel they must "pay the price". Sarpalius felt the best part of the bill provides new screening programs so the alcoholic can be treated. Although there was general support for the screening programs, opponents pointed out that in many areas of the state, there was no provider of such services so no treatment could take place.

Whether you support the DWI legislation or not, I think everyone must realize that alcoholism is a social and health problem more than a criminal justice problem. As such it is one that could, and probably should, be treated at the local level in an alternative program to jail--a divergence program where the alcoholic can be treated and, hopefully, rehabilitated. The pattern of arresting public drunks, holding them in jail for a few hours up to ninety days and then having to re-arrest them soon after, not only shows a futility in continuing to have the criminal justice system be responsible for the problem, which many feel does not belong in their domain anyway, but costs a tremendous amount of time for the police, the courts and the corrections system.

According to reports from the Texas Commission on Alcoholism, public intoxication arrests account for 31% of all arrests in Texas. In 1981 these arrests cost the state \$36.5M to process them through the criminal justice system. If DWIs, liquor law violations and violent crimes committed by problem drinkers are included, the cost rises to \$105M. The Commission estimates the cost of a state wide divergence program to be about \$9-10M for the biennium. Quite a difference. Besides the savings, pro-

ponents of a divergence program say it would allow an alternative to the criminal process which would provide an option more beneficial to both the offender and the community. It would give the arresting officer the choice of charging the public inebriate with the crime of public intoxication or diverting the non-disorderly, non-violent public inebriate who has not committed an additional offense into a community-based program. Such a program would provide treatment and rehabilitation for the problem drinker and save the community a further incidence of crime they may have committed and relieve some of the overcrowding in our jails. That, in itself, could save additional dollars by requiring less construction.

When we consider diverting drunks from jail, another very important, yet seldom mentioned statistic, is the number of jail suicides. According to one study 85% of those who committed suicide in jail were intoxicated at the time of death and more than half the suicides occurred in the first 12 hours of confinement.

Recent Supreme Court rulings make local governmental entities liable for damages for civil rights violations. Many believe that a policy of arresting and jailing a public inebriate and placing him in a potentially dangerous situation in jail because of his illness is a civil rights violation. As such, should a civil rights suit be filed and won against a governmental entity, the taxpayers could be liable for massive damages.

Of course, these statistics and strong arguments lose a good deal of their ability to convince for those people who have been victims of intoxicated offenders. We must ultimately arrive at an official position on the issue of intoxication and criminality that takes victims into compassionate consideration.

—GP—
 Cotton growing, which originated in India, was taken to Greece by Alexander the Great.

Thistle Crop Profitable Venture



AUSTIN—Like Jim Webb once did, farmers and ranchers across Central and South Texas usually curse the presence of "Blessed Milk Thistles" in their fields and pastures.

But Webb, who lives near Manor, to the east of Austin, has turned the thistle into a unique cultivated crop, selling the seeds to the Madaus Company, a West German pharmaceutical firm. It in turn uses the seeds to manufacture an all-natural capsule for the treatment of various liver ailments.

Though that drug, Lagalon, is not presently marketed in the United States, it is sold worldwide, and other of the firm's natural products are sold here by U.S. companies.

As the nation's only commercial grower of "Blessed Milk Thistles," a plant which is native to Texas, Webb produced roughly 40 tons of the seeds this year from 170 acres, where he previously grew wheat and grain sorghum.

He dries and cleans the seeds, sacks them in burlap bags and ships the processed product in 100-pound lots through the Port of Houston. Webb began his commercial thistle-growing venture three years ago, drying the seeds on his concrete driveway and considering the idea to be no more risky than the traditional forms of agriculture.

"My first big mistake," said Webb, "was thinking that this

thing was a weed. Well, it may be a weed in someone else's field or pasture, but when you are trying to grow it, then it becomes a cultivated crop, no longer a weed.

"It has to be treated as a cultivated crop. So, it is subject to aphids and malnutrition, just like any other crop is."

To date, Webb says his biggest problems have been in developing a uniform plant height--determining that five to six feet is ideal--and in refining his combining process. But he says the heavy plant stalks are an excellent source of humus for the soil.

So, Webb definitely plans to continue his thistle-growing venture, and says fewer and fewer of his neighbors now shake their heads in amazement.

He finds plenty of economic incentive, claiming that 50 acres of "Blessed Milk Thistle" seeds yield him the same profit that a person would be able to make on four to five hundred acres of wheat.

"I simply think we must stop growing only the traditional raw agricultural crops and losing money, but now must also become vertically integrated (into the processing and marketing of raw agricultural products), so we can control the product further to its ultimate destination," Webb says. "That, and we must come up with new, alternate crops that farmers can grow on a contract basis."

II. CALCULATION

MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION (M&O) TAX RATE

1. (A) 1982 Total tax levy (Data 1)	\$ <u>234,949</u>
(B) Subtract 1982 Debt service levy (Data 3)	- \$ <u>0-</u>
(C) Subtract 1982 Taxes on property no longer in unit (Data 5)	- \$ <u>0-</u>
(D) Subtract 1982 Taxes for exemptions (Data 6)	- \$ <u>11,495</u>
(E) Subtract 1982 Taxes for productivity valuation (Data 7)	- \$ <u>4,726</u>
(F) Adjusted 1982 M&O levy	\$ <u>218,728</u>
2. (A) 1983 Total taxable value of all property (Data 8)	\$ <u>554,731,980</u>
(B) Subtract 1983 Value of new improvements (Data 9)	- \$ <u>93,873,989</u>
(C) Subtract 1983 Value of annexed property (Data 10)	- \$ <u>0-</u>
(D) Adjusted 1983 Taxable value for M&O	\$ <u>460,857,991</u>
3. (A) Divide the adjusted 1982 M&O levy (1-F above) by the adjusted 1983 taxable value for M&O (2-D above) (\$ <u>218,728</u> ÷ \$ <u>460,857,991</u>)	\$ <u>.0004746</u>
(B) Multiply by \$100 valuation	× \$ <u>100</u>
(C) Calculated maintenance and operation (M&O) rate for 1983	\$ <u>.04746</u> /\$100

INTEREST AND SINKING (I&S) TAX RATE

4. (A) 1983 I&S levy needed to satisfy debt (Data 11)	\$ <u>0-</u>
(B) 1983 Total taxable value of all property (Data 8)	\$ <u>0-</u>
(C) Divide the 1983 I&S levy (4-A above) by the 1983 total taxable value (4-B above) (\$ <u>0</u> ÷ \$ <u>0</u>)	\$ <u>0-</u>
(D) Multiply by \$100 valuation	× \$ <u>0-</u> 100
(E) Calculated interest and sinking rate (I&S) for 1983	\$ <u>0-</u> /\$100

APPRAISAL ROLL ERROR RATE

5. (A) Rate to raise 1982 levy due to appraisal errors (Data 12)	\$ <u>.001081</u> /\$100
(B) Add rate to recoup taxes lost due to errors (Data 13)	+ \$ <u>.000009</u> /\$100
(C) Total rate to adjust for appraisal roll errors	\$ <u>.001090</u> /\$100

1983 EFFECTIVE TAX RATE FOR EACH TAX

6. (A) Calculated maintenance and operation (M&O) rate (3-C above)	\$ <u>.04746</u> /\$100
(B) Add calculated interest and sinking (I&S) rate (4-E above)	+ \$ <u>.00000</u> /\$100
(C) Add rate to adjust for appraisal roll errors (5-C above)	+ \$ <u>.00109</u> /\$100
(D) Calculated 1983 Effective Tax Rate for this tax	\$ <u>.04855</u> /\$100

HOMEMAKING HINTS Old Photographs Of Texas Building Interiors Needed For History

By Janet Thomas
 County Extension Agent
 Dried floral arrangements are very attractive in the home. It's also a way to preserve your lovely summer flowers and enjoy them through the winter months.

In selecting and preserving materials for dried arrangements, probably the only limiting factor in collecting materials suitable for making winter bouquets is the imagination of the collector. Proper preparation of the materials will determine the success one has in using the stems collected. The following plants produce excellent flowers for use in the winter bouquets if properly prepared: Cockscomb, globe amaranth, baby's breath, strawflower, and statice.

Choose only the best flowers for drying, selecting those with the longest stems. If possible prepare twice the number of flowers so you can discard those that are damaged in the drying process. An airy attic with little or no light is an ideal place for drying the specimens. Tie the material in small bundles and hang upside down from a line or rafters in a comparatively dust-free, dimly lit attic or storeroom. After the material is thoroughly dry, store loosely in large dust free boxes until ready to use.

The ornamental grasses, as well as many of the native grasses, produce attractive plumes which can be used in winter bouquets. Cut the flowering grass heads just as they mature, but before they expand or shed. Tie them in small bundles and dry them in the same manner as the flowers discussed above. Pampas grass and Fountain grass are excellent for this purpose. Many of the native grasses produce smaller heads, but when gathered and used in arrangements look very attractive.

Many flowers are too delicate to be dried by hanging but can often be successfully cured by using a drying agent such as one-half cornmeal and one-half borax mixed together thoroughly. Since we are interested only in the flower, the foliage should be stripped from the stem before drying. Place a layer of the drying agent in the bottom of a box, then lay the flowers in the box and gently fill in around the individual flower heads with additional material. The drying agent should be carefully packed between the petals to hold them apart while they dry. Large, double flowers are difficult to dry successfully. After drying in this way, the flowers must be handled very gently or they will not survive long enough to use.

Considerable practice is required to learn the technique of packing the drying agent around the more delicate specimens. Flowers often dried in this manner include anemone, single chrysanthemum, clematis, cosmos, daffodil, dianthus, marigold, pansy, sunflower, and zinnia.

Many of the more attractive flowers and leaves which cannot be preserved by drying can be cured with glycerine. Using the glycerine treatment, many of the fall leaves will retain their bright colors and last a long time. There may be some color change when using this method; however, the dark, silky appearance of the leaves makes them even more attractive in many instances. When properly cured, the material will last indefinitely and is usually less brittle, making it easier to arrange. Plant materials which can be preserved with the glycerine method include: bamboo, chestnut, magnolia, English ivy, claeagnus, iris leaves, oak leaves, sea grape and sansevieria.

When using the glycerine method, the bottom four to five inches of the stem should be placed in jars containing a solution of one part glycerine to two parts of water. The absorption of the glycerine can be facilitated by crushing of the more woody stems be-

fore placing them in the solution. The effect of the solution is noticeable on the leaves as it rises through the foliage. The material should be allowed to remain in the jar until the entire leaf is cured. After the glycerine solution has penetrated the entire surface, remove the specimens from the container and hang them upside down until they are thoroughly dry. Leaves preserved in this way can be used with either fresh flowers or in dry arrangements.

In using dried materials for winter bouquets, the individual is restricted only by his imagination and good taste. Since dried arrangements need not be placed in water as fresh materials do, their use is unlimited. With a little imagination and experience, it is amazing the number of things that can be used in making dried bouquets. Each area of the state has many different plant varieties that can be used for dried arrangements.

RECIPE FOR THE WEEK:
 This summer, I have several requests for information on cooking and serving spaghetti squash. The recipe I'm featuring this week sounds very good.

SPAGHETTI SQUASH WITH TOMATO SAUCE:
 1 spaghetti squash (3 lb.)
 1 med. onion, minced
 1 clove garlic, crushed
 1 lb. ground beef
 2 tsp. olives oil
 4 c. cut tomatoes
 1/2 tsp. basil
 1 tsp. oregano
 2 tsp. parsley
 bay leaf salt and pepper to taste
 grated Parmesan cheese

show what kinds of furniture, draperies, carpets and accessories were in use at a point in time in a specific place. They document characteristic room arrangements, seasonal changes, special efforts to accommodate the climate as well as ethnic and regional variations in interiors. Such a comprehensive survey of photographs of Texas interiors will enrich preservation and restoration efforts.

As many people know, interior photographs are rare when compared with the number of surviving portrait photographs and exterior building views. Some interior photos survive in library and archival collections but many interior views are in individual collections and in family photograph albums. Dr. Cynthia Brandimarte, director of the project, is eager to hear from individuals or institutions that have interior photographs taken between 1860 and 1920. She wants to make sure that interiors from all areas of Texas and interiors of all groups of people are well-represented in the publication produced from this research. If you have, or know someone who has, such photographs, please write to Dr. Cynthia Brandimarte, Images of Victorian Texas: 1860-1920, 1010 Winstead Lane, Austin, Texas 78703 or call (512) 472-1833.

This project, "Images of Victorian Texas: 1860-1920," which has the support of many preservationist groups throughout the state, aims to locate photographs of the interiors of Texas buildings, especially houses, taken before 1920. These interior views Cut up tomato; add salt and set aside to make it's own juice. Split squash using heavy knife. Scoop out seeds. Microwave for 8 to 15 minutes, cut side up, in a dish with a few tablespoons of water.

In a 3 quart casserole, brown the ground beef with onion and garlic by microwaving for 5 minutes on high; stir once. Add olive oil, tomatoes and other seasonings. Microwave on high, covered, for 20 minutes, stirring several times. Let rest, uncovered for 5 minutes. Pull cooked squash out with strands of a fork onto platter. Top with sauce and cheese. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

"Please...DON'T DRIVE DRUNK"



WORDS TO LIVE BY

A message from this newspaper and the Troopers of the Texas Department of Public Safety



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Football Schedule

- * SEPT. 2 — HICO - Here - 8:00 P.M.
 - * SEPT. 9 — BAIRD - There - 8:00 P.M.
 - * SEPT. 17 — LOMETA - Here - 7:30 P.M.
- Homecoming Game
- * SEPT. 23 — GOLDTHWAITE - There - 7:30 P.M.
 - * SEPT. 30 — ROCHELLE - Here - 7:30 P.M.
 - * OCT. 7 — CROSS PLAINS - There - 7:30 P.M.
 - * OCT. 14 — OPEN
 - * OCT. 21 — SANTA ANNA - Here - 7:30 P.M.
 - * OCT. 28 — EVANT - There - 7:30 P.M.
 - * NOV. 4 — BLANKET - Here - 7:30 P.M.
 - * NOV. 11 — RISING STAR - There - 7:30 P.M.

* Denotes District Games

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DESDEMONA NEWS
By Mrs. Vonnice Guthery Phone 758-2665

Mrs. Johnnie Koonce spent several days in De Leon Hospital.

Mrs. Clyde Paul and Mrs. Evah Sparkman was in Fort Worth Saturday nite to attend the Wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Ahead. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Ahead and grandson of Mrs. Eva Ahead of Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Seay and Tommy Lyn and Mrs. Hillary Seay of Gorman was in Irving Saturday to attend the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Foreman. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Chubbie Foreman of Irving and grandson of Mrs. Nannie Guthery of Desdemona.

The ladies Monthly social needs a volunteer for the September social. Please contact this reporter.

Dorothy and Jeff Roberts hosted the Roberts Reunion over the past week-end. Those present were Tommy and Mildred Roberts, Bimbo, Anna Lee, Levi and Kindra Roberts of Gorman. Granny Roberts, Bob and Lurline Roberts of Ranger. Wayne Mc Intosh and



grandson Ronnie of Tyler, Scott and De Lisa Mc Intosh of Brownwood. Kevin, Ulenda, Heather, Heath, and Ashley Weaver of Waco, Jerrilee Grisham of De Leon. Heather Weaver stayed on for a week's visit.

A lot of Americans think hypertension has easily identifiable symptoms. The fact is, however, hypertension (also called high blood pressure), usually has no symptoms and can go unrecognized for years before congestive heart disease, kidney failure, or stroke is the result. Because of this many people are unaware they have the disease. According to the American Heart Association, only 18 million of the 35 million Americans who have definite high blood pressure know it.

This is a major reason regular check-ups are so important.

CARBON NEWS
By Mrs. Bob Hasting Phone 639-2517

Hurricane Alicia or something gave us a little relief from the heat. Some report a pretty good shower others about half an inch of rain.

There will be a Blood Pressure check at the Fellowship hall at the Baptist Church Tuesday, August 30, at 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Mrs. Bea Schade and children of Albany visited their grand parents Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hogan on Friday Visiting in the home on Sunday were other grandchildren Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Eaves and children of Desdemona.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Holiday of Throckmorton visited Mr. and Mrs. Fred Tucker Holly and Brian and attended the Tucker Reunion at Camp Inspiration on Saturday and Sunday. They also attended Worship service at the Baptist Church Sunday morning.

Other visitors in Morning service at the Baptist Church Sunday were Mrs. Karen Ingram of East Liverpool, Ohio, her son Rob-

and family Mr. and Mrs. Doug Thompson, Brad and Bryan and friend Donnie Freeland of San Saba.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Nance of Odessa visited Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hale on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. James Wood and Mrs. Daisy Wood returned home Sunday from a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Wood and family of Wauneta, Nebraska. They came home by way of Odessa and visited Mr. and Mrs. Gene Wood and family.

DE LEON BUSINESSMAN NAMED COMMISSIONER

A De Leon businessman has been named to fill the unexpired term of former Precinct 4 Comanche County Commissioner David Etheredge, who resigned his post in late July after a dispute with fellow commissioners on money matters.

Clyde Brinson, who operates the Highway 6 Cafe, was selected from 10 applicants for the post, said County Judge Bobbye Allen.

Brinson, who was sworn into office Monday, will serve until the November 1984 general election.

The Antarctic ice cap is the world's largest supply of fresh water.

"He who serves his country well has no need of ancestors." Voltaire

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