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For those who love winter weather, the cold of the past few days sure should please them. The temperatures have dipped down into the twenties the past mornings, and for that is plenty cold. What we are all needing around here is a little of the wet stuff. You remember that funny looking wet stuff we remember as RAIN. That's what every single citizen is looking for as all the ponds of water have dwindled to nothing and several are dry that have not been without water in them in many a moon. Maybe the Good Lord who looks out for us all will bless us with some good rain soon.

There has been a rash of grass fires in the area the past few days and folks are afraid that someone might be setting the fires deliberately. If that is so, then the ones responsible had better look out, because folks are keeping their eyes open for any sign of someone who might be setting grass fires and destroying what pasture that the livestock raisers have for their cattle to graze on. This is a pretty cruel thing to do to folks who need the grazing so badly for their cattle. So, if you see anyone in the act of setting a grass fire, please contact the law immediately and action will be taken.

Be sure and look over the matchup of teams in Gorman's Invitational Tournament being held Thursday through Saturday. There are some real good teams in this year's event and those who love basketball can see plenty of great action with all of these teams entered. We are publishing a complete bracket on the tournament elsewhere in this issue. So, if you like real good basketball matchups this tournament should be a must for you.

And remember to smile - because God Loves You!

Musical At Fire Hall Set Friday December 9

The monthly community musical will be held Friday, December 9 at the Fire Hall. Everyone is invited to attend and also to participate in the program. Bring your instruments and play or sing, it's a family program and all the family is invited.

Refreshments will be available. See you there.

CARD OF THANKS

Words cannot express our thanks for the sympathy shown to us. The food that was brought to the house and the church building is appreciated. The beautiful flowers, prayers and thoughtfulness shown by all our friends during the loss of our loved one will always be remembered.

A special thanks to James and Lisa for the ambulance service.

May God bless all of you. The Clea Echols family

ONLY 15 SHOPPING DAYS LEFT

Kayla Odell Elected To Who's Who



Every year a group of students is selected across the nation to receive the distinguished award of Who's Who among Students in American Junior Colleges. Each college is given an assigned number of nominees.

Students are selected at RJC each fall by the faculty. Sophomores with a 2.5 grade point average are eligible. Students are chosen according to their academic and extra-curricular achievements.

Biographies of students elected will be printed in the 1984 edition of WHO'S WHO AMONG STUDENTS IN AMERICAN JUNIOR COLLEGES.

Among the fall nominees at RJC was Kayla Odell, who is a 1982 graduate of Gorman High School, where she was Valedictorian and was voted Most Likely to Succeed.

She was elected Class President, chosen Miss Gorman, and won first in the U.I.L. State Shorthand contest and she won second in the U.I.L. State Typing contest. She was the Chamber of Commerce Highest Ranking Student.

Kayla is a 19 year old Pre-law Major who is a member of Phi Theta Kappa here at RJC. Upon graduation she plans to attend Texas Tech in Lubbock and continue her studies in law school.

In her spare time, Kayla enjoys reading, watching movies, dancing and riding around. Kayla is the daughter of Mrs. Sandra Warren of Gorman.

KINDERGARTEN CLASS DEAR SANTA LETTERS

Kindergarten students have listed the favorite gifts they want Santa to bring them. Dwayne Grumbles - Return of Jedi, and duck. Nicholas Guthery - Bicycle, GI Joe, and Return of Jedi. Jennifer Torrez - Cheerleader suit, shoes, and typewriter. Valerie Salinas - watch, doll, and bike. Jenny Sexton - Bike, and teddy bear. Nicholas Burleson - Skelator and big shark. Marco Herrera - Big car, truck, and a big shark. Juan Ibarra - Truck, camper, new colors, and Superman. Patti Madera - Firecrackers, doll, and car for her brother. Rosa - Baretts, combs for hair, and doll. Jacqueline De La Torre - Doll and Wonder Woman. Elizabeth Brinegar - Cabbage Patch Kids, Barbie, Watch, wood table and chair. Chris Park - Twirly Curl Barbie, and Cabbage Patch Kids. Diana Glover - Bake sets, Cabbage Patch Kid, Snoopy Snowcone, Sewing machine, and Kimberly Doll. Kim Campbell - Sewing machine, Baby Alive, and Kimberly Doll. J.J. Clark - Barbie McDonalds, Western Barbie and saddle, and Care Bear. Justin Sneider - A dummy, and Mr. T. Misty Battenfield - Strawberry Bike and training wheels, Strawberry Shortcake and House. Jennifer Seltern - Baby Alive, Monkey telephone and Barbie. Ricky Lee - Dump truck, tractor, car, and gun. Sabrina Woods - Barbie doll, Smurf ball, doll house. Deanna Torrez - Rub-Dub Dog, and Strawberry Shortcake doll.

Jason Warren - Blue Bike and train. Jason Rich - Bicycle, 3 wheeler and backpack.

Barbara Gibbs - Training wheels, Baby Alive, and sport bag. Lee Mc Cormick - Electronic game, and Snowcone machine. Ryan Mc Cormick - Train. Stormy Jones - Purse, telephone, and doll.

Rites For Clea Echols Held Tuesday

Clea Echols, 71, died at 8:05 a.m. Monday, December 5, 1983 in Eastland Memorial Hospital.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday in Higginbotham Funeral Chapel with Odell Carter of Gorman Church of Christ officiating. Burial was in Oaklawn Cemetery.

He was born January 6, 1912 in Eastland County and has lived here all his life, he married Gracie "Mutt" Holland Jan. 12, 1937, in Comanche.

He was a retired farmer and rancher and was a member of Gorman Church of Christ.

Survivors are his wife; a son Gary of Odessa; 1 brother Ira Echols of Lake Leon; and two sisters Mrs. Anna Lois Watson and Mrs. Velda Foster of Gorman; two grandchildren, Craig and Eric of Odessa.

Palbearers were Max Grice, Jackie Grice, Don Hull, Graydon Baze, E.G. Henderson and Tobe Varner.

—GP—

CARD OF THANKS

Thanks to everyone for their concern while I was in the hospital and coming home. Especially, prayers the beautiful cards and gifts and food. What would we do without our neighbors and friends. To God be the glory is where the praise and honor belongs.

Thanks again. Mrs. Ruby Haynes

Dear Management of Blackwell Hospital

I have been a diabetic for over 40 years. In that time I have been to many doctors in many places on a regular basis in order to find the best way to control it. I would like to disagree with some of your statements in the column by Jim Guin, R. Ph. in the paper dated November 24.

Until 1955 the practice generally of supervising insulin injections consisted of finding how much insulin the person should take to regulate himself. Then in case of high sugar one was advised to "take more insulin." In 1954 it was recommended that patients be advised (as Dr. Rodgers advised me) that patients not ever change the amount of insulin. If sugar got out of control the advice was to see a doctor and find why it was out of control. It was very much stressed to me that I take my prescribed insulin at the same time every day - eat at the same time every day and never change my own insulin. Only the doctor should do that.

In 1974 things changed again diet changed to include an amount of carbohydrates prescribed to help the body use the food it ingested. New progress in the use of insulin discovered that the old way of "keeping a little sugar in the urine" was dangerous for permanent changes in the organs especially the eyes - now with new more sure ways to account for the sugar in the blood at home (urinalysis is now considered not reliable) the blood sugar level is used daily to measure the body's reaction to the insulin prescribed by a doctor from blood levels of sugar - Diet is adjusted to the insulin taken - Insulin amounts are NEVER changed - Except in case the blood sugar is to high or too low the patient may increase two units of insulin or decrease 2 units of insulin every day for three days - If the blood sugar is not at the regular level with insulin in three days the patient MUST see his or her doctor immediately.

Blood sugar levels are all seriously affected by colds - infections or any injury to any part of the body and are a very sure sign that something needs immediate attention. A bad tooth will affect the blood sugar very much. More modern techniques

are lessening numbers of patients who have problems with Poncaetic problems either young or old - Very few of these patients cannot be controlled by modern insulin therapy. I know your information comes from good sources - It's just that so much has been learned about diabetes since 1975 and I feel that the large number of diabetics in all stages in Gorman would like to hear again that as their doctors tell them no one should change their insulin dosage other than a qualified physician, unless in case of infection and then only for three days.

Sincerely Mrs. Esther Bolt —GP—

CARD OF THANKS We would like to express our thanks for all the kindness and sympathy from our neighbors, friends and Nowlins Funeral Home during the recent loss of our loved one. The Family of Berry Belyue —GP—

Bridal Shower To Honor Miss Mary Perez A Bridal Shower honoring Miss Mary Perez, bride-elect of Dale Griffin will be held on Friday, December 9, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Donald Bolt. Co-hostesses are Mrs. Donald Bolt, Mrs. Kuti Plautny, Miss Kayla Odell, Mrs. Jalynn Cox and Mrs. Ralph Hudson. —GP—

CARD OF THANKS To Dr. L. and N. Agulia and the Hospital staff for the care I received while in the Hospital. For the cards, flowers and calls, I deeply appreciated. Thanks for your concern. Muriel Prewitt

George Bolt of Stephenville accompanied his mother, Mrs. Esther Bolt, to Arlington for Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dunn and Erich. They all returned to Mrs. Bolt's home in Gorman on Friday and were joined by Mr. and Mrs. John Paul Bolt, Gregg and John Paul of Tennessee Mr. and Mrs. Kennard Royal, Jessica, April, Chris and Andrew of Denton, and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lindsey, Laurie and Dyrick of De Leon.

Chamber of Commerce will meet Thursday, December 8 at 9:00 a.m. at City Hall.

School Board will meet Monday, December 12.

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

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

A Musical will be held the Second Friday night of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Fire Hall.

Woman's Auxiliary of Blackwell Hospital meet first Tuesday of each month at the Senior Citizens Center at 3:00 p.m.

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

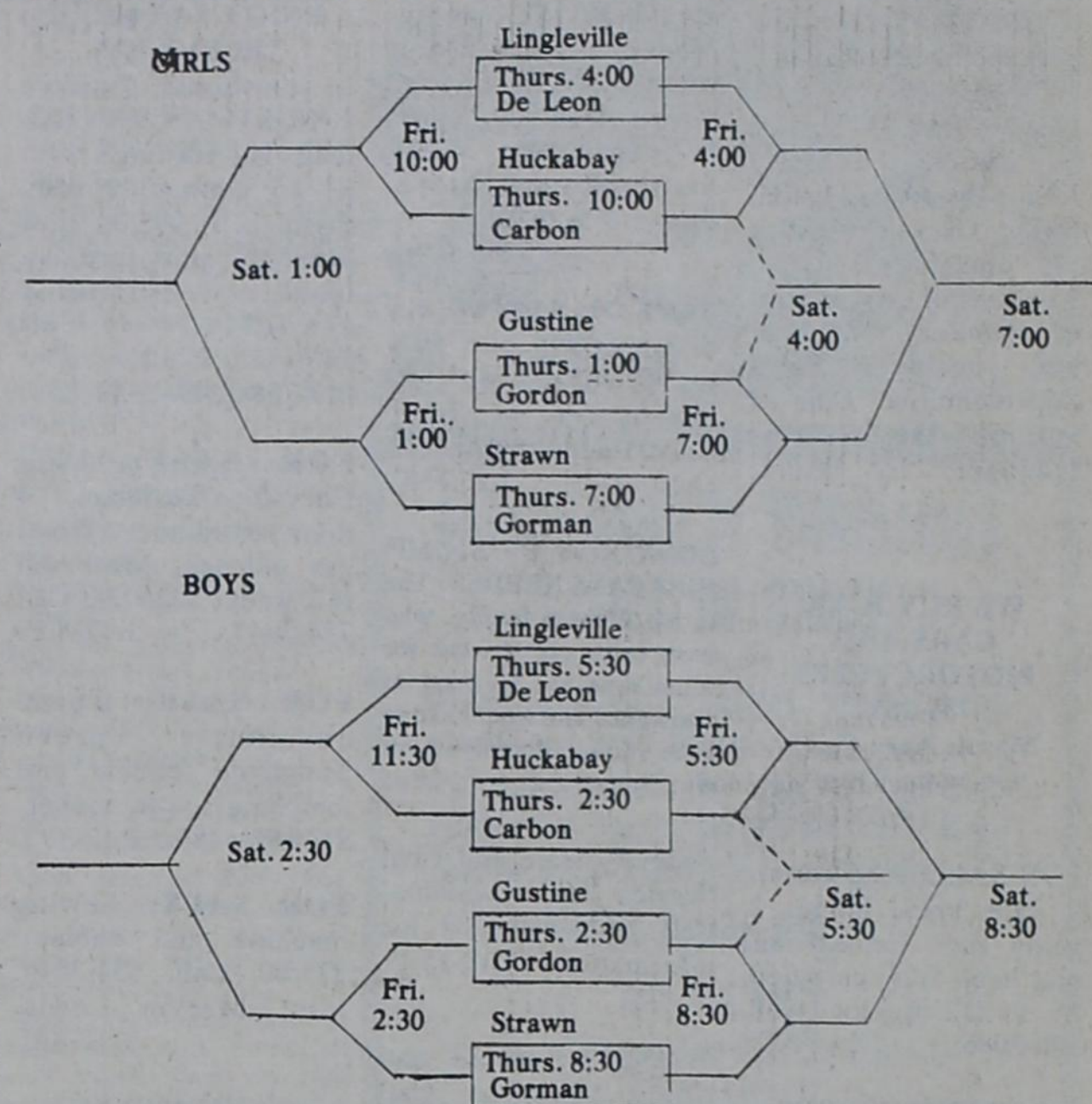
Gorman Chapter 443 O.E.S. meets First Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

4-H and FFA Booster Club will meet the Third Monday of each month at 8:00 p.m. at the School Cafeteria.

Monthly 4-H Meetings will be held the second Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church.

Free Blood Pressure Clinic each Tuesday at Blackwell Hospital from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

GORMAN BASKETBALL TOURNEY SET FOR THURSDAY THRU SAT.



There are 8 girls teams and 8 boys teams entered in the Gorman Invitational Basketball Tournament to be held here Thursday thru Saturday, December 8-9-10 with action to begin on Thursday morning at 10 a. m. when the Huckaby and Carbon girls will open the tournament. Then at 11:30 the Huckaby and Carbon boys will meet. Action will begin Thursday afternoon at 1:00 with the Gustine girls meeting the Gordon girls, followed by the Gustine and Gordon boys at 2:30. Action will continue at 4:00 p. m. when the Lingleville and De Leon girls

meet, followed at 5:30 by the Lingleville and De Leon boys. Thursday night action includes the Strawn and Gorman girls at 7 p. m., followed by the Strawn and Gorman boys at 8:30. Friday action will begin at 10 a. m. and continue through Friday night. Saturday action will begin with the Consolation girls game at 1 p. m., followed by boys consolation at 2:30. Championship first rounds will begin at 4 p. m. Friday and continue through Friday night. Saturday action will begin on the championship

side of the bracket at 4 p. m., followed by a 5:30 boys semi-final. Finals will begin at 7 p. m. in the girls division, followed by the boys Championship Finals starting at 8:30 p. m. Gorman is noted for its outstanding basketball line-ups in its tournaments and this season is no different. So, if you like great basketball action you will enjoy the entire three days of action in this outstanding match-up of area teams. The concession stand will be open during the games for the fans to enjoy some delicious goodies.

Carbon Students Named in Who's Who Among High School Students

Carbon student featured in the 17th Annual Edition of Whos Who Among American High School Students are Carlton Cozart, Sherry Halford, Kim High, Rebecca Sewell, Denise Hagan, Susan Harris, and Rudy Pack. WHO'S WHO, published by Educational Communications, Inc., Lake Forest, Illinois, is the largest high school recognition publication in the country. Students are selected by high school principals and guidance counselors, national youth groups, churches or by the publishing company based upon student's performance in scholarship award contests or extra-curricular activities. Final selection is determined on the basis of criteria which include high achievement in academics and leadership in school

Rites Held For Ella Simmons November 26

Ella Mae Simmons 91, of Keyser, West Virginia died November 22, 1983 at Heartland Nursing home in Keyser. Services were at 10:00 a.m. Saturday November 26, 1983 at Markwood Funeral home Chapel. The Rev. Kenneth Langton of the Church of the Brethren officiated. Burial was in the Thrush Cemetery. Born June 12, 1892, at Hartmanville, she was a member of the Keyser Church of the Brethren and the Mineral County Senior Citizens. Survivors are a son Wilburn, "Bill" Simmons of Gorman, Texas, one grandson Gene Simmons of Gorman one granddaughter, Vicki Lewis of Dublin, Tex. and four great grandchildren a grandson, Tommy Simmons preceded her in death. Pallbearers were, Lloyd Ray Sherwood, Elsworth Combs, Tom Streets, Carl Streets, David Buckley, Gary Spencer. —GP—

Services For George Clower Held Thursday

George Thomas Clower, 91, of Ranger, a retired farmer and oil-field worker, died at 7:45 p.m. Tuesday Nov. 29, 1983 at Eastland Memorial Hospital after a sudden illness. Services were at 2:30 p.m. Thursday at Eastside Baptist Church. The Rev. Jerry Speer, former pastor, officiated assisted by the Rev. Jim Andrews, pastor. Burial was at Murray Cemetery in Carbon, directed by Edwards Funeral Home. Born Dec. 17, 1891, in Van Zandt County, he came to Ranger from McAllen about six years ago. He was a member of Eastside Baptist Church and Lamesa Masonic Lodge. Survivors include a son, Everett of Ranger; two sisters, Mrs. Ollie Johnson of Hawkins and Mrs. Edna Sanders of Terrill; three grandchildren; and six great grandchildren. —GP—

Rites For 'Jack' Powell Held Thursday

John Clinton "Jack" Powell, 46, of De Leon, a retired bookkeeper, died at 9:20 a.m. Wednesday Nov. 30, 1983 at De Leon Hospital. Graveside services were at 2:30 p.m. Thursday at Murray Cemetery near Gorman, directed by Nowlin Funeral Home. The Rev. Mike Patterson minister of North Side Baptist Church, officiated. Born Aug. 24, 1937, in Gorman, he was a retired bookkeeper for Levi Associates of Houston. An Army veteran, He attended Arkansas Tech and Texas Tech universities. He moved to De Leon in February. Survivors include his parents, Juanita and J.E. Powell of De Leon; and a sister, Glenda Hise of De Leon.

CHIT CHAT

Visiting Velma Bennett on Sunday were Mrs. L. A. Bennett of Eastland and her son Joe Lynn Bennett and Shirley of Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bennett of Weatherford, Rita and Ronald Bennett, Velma's grandchildren of Ranger, Lennie Mon-

Last Rites For John Allen Held Sunday

John Thomas Allen, 74, of Gorman was found dead at 6 p.m. Thursday Dec. 1, 1983 at his home. Judge Pat Ingram ruled the death was a natural causes. Graveside services were at 1:30 p.m. Sunday at Gorman Cemetery, directed by Higginbotham Funeral Home. The Rev. Darrell Dossey, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiated. Born Aug. 18, 1909, in Erath County, he was a retired oil field worker and a Baptist. Survivors include a son, Billy Jay of Philadelphia, Pa.; a daughter, Eva Ann Killian of Abilene; a sister, Ruth Porter of Lubbock; five grandchildren; and two great grandchildren. Pallbearers were Bob Gibson, Brad Louis, Vernon Ables, Mike Lanier and Ray Daniels. Montgomery, Ruby Bennett and Barbara Tucker all of Gorman.

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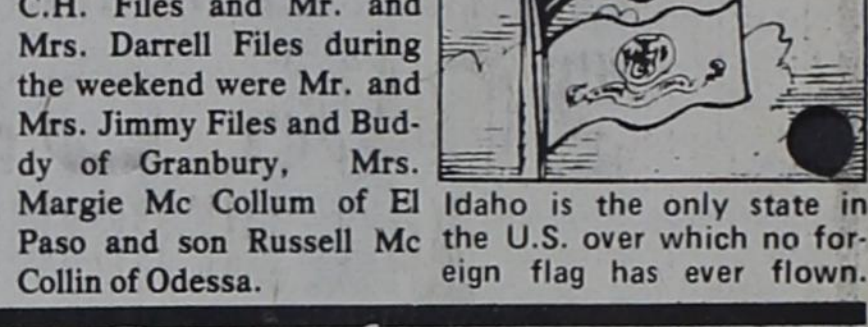
NOTICE OF PASSAGE OF ORDINANCE
Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners of the City of Gorman, Texas, has passed on first reading Ordinance No. 283, captioned as follows:
AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A POLICE RESERVE FORCE FOR THE CITY OF GORMAN, TEXAS, PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT, POWERS, AND DUTIES OF RESERVES POLICEMEN.
Said ordinance, of which a summary of the purpose is set forth above in the said caption, is on file in the Office of the City Secretary, available to public inspection. Said ordinance will be given a public hearing and considered for final passage on Thursday, January 5, 1984 at 8:00 o'clock A.M., in the Commissioners Chamber at City Hall in Gorman, Eastland County, Texas.
Edna Brinegar, City Secretary
1-12-8 C.

SCHOOL MENU

WEEK OF DEC. 12-16
BREAKFAST
Monday - Dry Cereal, Juice and milk

of Odessa part of last week.
Mrs. Sherry Bryant, Heather and Heath of Dumas spent Thanksgiving weekend with the Mack Stubblefields and the Truman Bryants.
Mr. and Mrs. T.G. Jackson of Granbury visited Mr. and Mrs. Truman Been during the weekend.
Mrs. Maple Norris of Leisure Lodge spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Truett Norris.
Visiting Mr. and Mrs. C.H. Files and Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Files during the weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Files and Buddy of Granbury, Mrs. Margie Mc Collum of El Paso and son Russell Mc Collin of Odessa.

LUNCH
Monday - Spaghetti, meat sauce, salad, peach halves, crackers, and milk
Tuesday - Country Fried Steak, Au grautin potatoes, butter carrots, rolls, Jello and milk
Wednesday - Taco salad, pinto beans, corn bread, cookies and milk
Thursday - Roast beef, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, rolls, honey, and milk
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GORMAN CARE CENTER NEWS

By Jettie Daniels
As every one knows it is close to time for Santa Claus, so we'd all better be good.

Our Resident's Christmas Party will be on Sunday the 18th. at 2:P.M. Everyone has a very cordial invitation to attend this party and enjoy the afternoon with your friends and

relatives. You'll make their day a happier day by attending. We still have Singing each Thursday Night at 7:P.M. Our residents enjoy this hour very much. Tonight, Tuesday 6th. is our Musical Night. Am sorry it was not published last week, But it was not, Due to factors beyond my

control. But we do have a group of good musicians for our musical tonight and we wish to say thanks to each of them and to let them know they are indeed appreciated. Thanks a million to the Baptist Ladies for the very delicious cookies that they gave to each of our residents. They were enjoyed by all. A big Thanks from all and a wish, For a Merry

Seasonal Greetings

TRADITIONAL TREATS WITH NEW ENDINGS

The holiday season is the get-together season. One fun and easy way to entertain is to have the party—or part of it—somewhere other than your house!

For instance, invite friends to join you at a nearby pond for a skating party. Merry Christmas To All. Last week's Bingo Winners were: Jesse Roberts - Game I, Lucille Campbell and Mary Harrell - Game ii, Game 3 - Bonny Mc Gough, Game 4 - Vernon Hamilton. Black Out Game: Nancy Holloway and Mary Harrell.



In England, from the 7th to the 13th century, the year was reckoned from Christmas day.



Brighten Christmas with gifts from your "home boutique." Fill glitter-trimmed empty coffee cans with homemade cookies or candies. The snug plastic lid will keep goodies fresh. Top with a bright bow.

Take a group to the local theatre to see the holiday production. Or gather singers to spread holiday cheer by caroling throughout the neighborhood.

After the entertainment, invite everyone to your house for refreshments. Most appropriate are these two party-size recipes, which use traditional favorites of the season in exciting new ways.

PUMPKIN-GINGER BARS
1 package Betty Crocker gingerbread mix
1/4 cup raisins
1/4 cup chopped nuts
1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg
1 cup cooked pumpkin
1/3 cup water
1 egg
Lemon Cream Frosting (right)

Heat oven to 350°. Mix all ingredients except frosting in medium bowl until batter is of uniform consistency, about 2 minutes (batter will be stiff). Spread in ungreased rectangular pan, 13x9x2 inches; smooth top with rubber spatula. Bake until wooden pick inserted in center comes out clean, about 25 minutes. Cool completely on wire rack. Spread Lemon Cream Frosting over top. Cut into bars, about 3x1 inch. 32 bars.

Lemon Cream Frosting
1 teaspoon grated lemon peel
1 tablespoon lemon juice
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1 teaspoon milk
1 package (3 ounces) cream cheese, softened
2 1/4 cups powdered sugar
Mix lemon peel, lemon juice, milk and cream cheese in small bowl. Gradually beat in powdered sugar until frosting is smooth and of spreading consistency.

High Altitude Directions (3500 to 6500 feet): Heat oven to 375°.

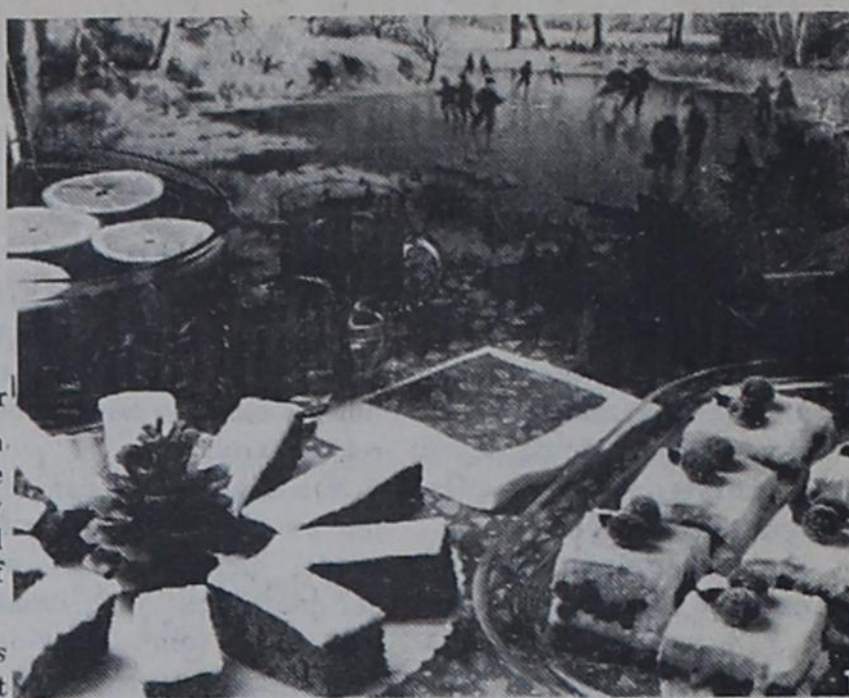
FROZEN CRANBERRY CHEESECAKE

1 1/2 cups vanilla wafer crumbs
1/4 cup margarine or butter, melted
1 tub Betty Crocker Creamy Deluxe cream cheese ready-to-spread frosting
1 cup small curd creamed cottage cheese
1 cup dairy sour cream
1 can (16 ounces) whole berry cranberry sauce

Heat oven to 350°. Mix wafer crumbs and margarine. Press in ungreased square pan, 9x9x2 inches. Bake 10 minutes; cool.

Mix frosting, cottage cheese and sour cream in small bowl. Beat on high speed until blended, about 3 minutes. Spread half of the frosting mixture over crust; spread with cranberry sauce. Spread remaining frosting mixture over sauce. Freeze until firm, about 8 hours. Garnish with sugar-frosted cranberries and mint leaves if desired. 16 servings.

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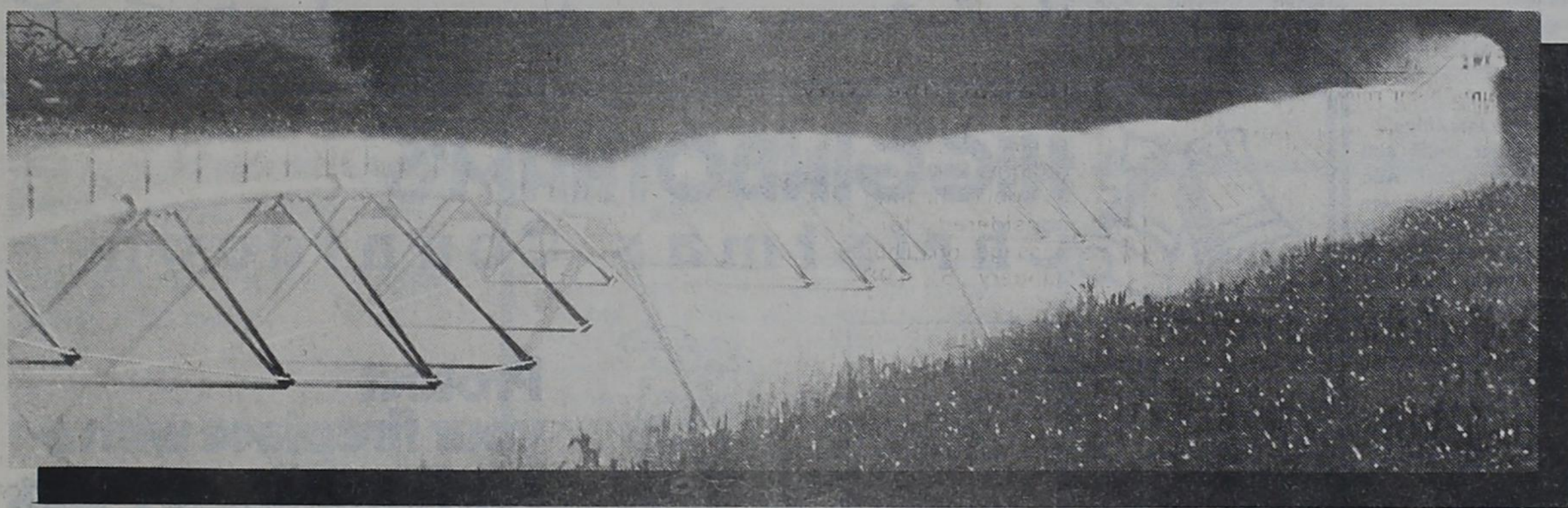
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HOMEMAKING HINTS

By Janet Thomas,
County Extension Agent

holiday season has arrived and many of you have started doing some Christmas shopping. Or, you may be like me ... you've started thinking but have not begun!

Although money may well be spent on celebrating in some instances, we are often tempted to overspend. Christmas time often over extends the family budget which can lend itself to financial problems for the family. Try to make gifts reflect not only appreciation for another person, but also that recipient's genuine need. I suggest drawing on human resources to make celebrations and gifts personal and meaningful.

Here are some ideas for meaningful gifts that are small in costs.

IOU gifts for services are welcome. Colorful envelopes can be used to enclose a coupon book of certificates the recipient can redeem throughout the year. Services might include babysitting, household repairs, or lawn work ... whatever you are skilled at and know your recipient

could benefit from. Baked goods are always welcomed as are cuttings from favorite houseplants, but the cuttings need to be rooted early.

Nostalgic items can often be picked up at thrift shops, flea markets, or antique shops. Such items may need some cleaning up, but can be special gifts with added meaning. Sylvia Porter suggests that the holiday season might be a good time to pass along a seldom used possession such as an heirloom to a favorite relative or friend, rather than including the gift in your will. Such a gift avoids the inheritance taxes which might be involved at the settling of an estate.

RECIPE FOR THE WEEK:

Throughout the holiday season, we have many opportunities for going to parties or attending covered dish dinners. This week I received a copy of the new Extension Homemaker magazine called "The Messenger", and found an interesting cake recipe.

ALMOND JOY CAKE

1 box chocolate cake mix (w-pudding) mix and bake as directed. Pan size 17 1/2 by 11 1/2.

BLACKWELL HOSPITAL REPORT

Patients listed in Blackwell Hospital on Tuesday evening were:
Jennie Jones - Gorman
Ruth George - De Leon
Mary Choate - Gorman
Floyd Cornett - Rising Star
Ruth Shupp - De Leon
Bill Barrett - Gorman
S.D. Gilmore - Gorman
Dale Gilmore - Gorman

Patients Dismissed November 30
Martha Rameriz and baby girl
Mary Williams
December 2
Willie Cooper
Ethel Leeper
Frank Rhymes
December 3
Emma Kate Love
Leslie Keyser
Robert Sanders
Ava Mason
Grace Skiles
Mary Smith
Frances Couch

Coal and diamonds are made of the same chemical element - carbon.

Senior Citizens Christmas Dinner December 14

The annual Christmas dinner at the Senior Citizens Center will be held Wednesday, December 14 at noon.

All those planning to attend are requested to make reservations by Monday, December 12 with Mozelle Rhymes.

All Senior Citizens are urged to attend.

Filling:
1 cup pet milk
1 cup sugar
24 large marshmallows
14 oz. angel flake coconut
Combine milk and sugar, add Marshmallows and heat until they are melted. Then add coconut. Pour over cake while filling and cake are hot.

Topping:
1 1/2 cups sugar
1/2 cup pet milk
1 stick oleo
1 1/2 cups chocolate chips
Combine sugar, milk and oleo. Bring to a boil. Add chips and stir until they are melted. Last add 1 cup chopped nuts. (Pecans, almonds or others). Pour over warm cake. Allow to cool. This cake will keep well in the refrigerator and it also freezes well.

—GP—

Esther Espinoza Laid To Rest Thursday

GORMAN — Esther Espinoza, 53, of San Antonio, formerly of Gorman, died at 6:30 p.m. Monday at Southwest General Hospital in San Antonio after a brief illness. Rosary will be at 7 p.m. Thursday at Higginbotham Funeral Home.

Mass will be at 1 p.m. Friday at Guadalupe Catholic Church in De Leon, with the Rev. Felipe, pastor, officiating. Burial will be at Oaklawn Cemetery, directed by Higginbotham Funeral Home.

Born Feb. 19, 1930, in Lytle, she married Edward Espinoza Aug. 17, 1943, in Robstown. He died May 8, 1976. She was a Catholic.

Survivors include four sons, John and Mark, both of Brownwood, Edward Jr. of Sioux City, Iowa, and Rudy of Ranger; three daughters, Diane Lopez of Lubbock, Linda Hammonds of De Leon and Sarah Jackson of Del Rio; a brother, Joe Reyna of San Antonio; a stepbrother, Pablo Reyna of San Antonio; a sister, Lupe Sylvia of San Antonio; and 17 grandchildren.

NEWS

OF SAFETY

1984 Road Traction — A Gripping Story

More and more of the nation's 140 million motorists are getting a better grip on winter, thanks to a new type of auto traction device.



The device is easily installed on drive wheels, it is constructed of lightweight aircraft-type steel cable. It's easy to install, because there are no complicated hooks or fasteners.

The cables, manufactured by Campbell Division of McGraw-Edison Co., manufacturer of tire chains, are the first significant improvement in auto traction products since the advent of tire chains in 1904. The rugged steel lugs provide superior traction and yet are quieter in operation on dry pavement with minimum vibration.

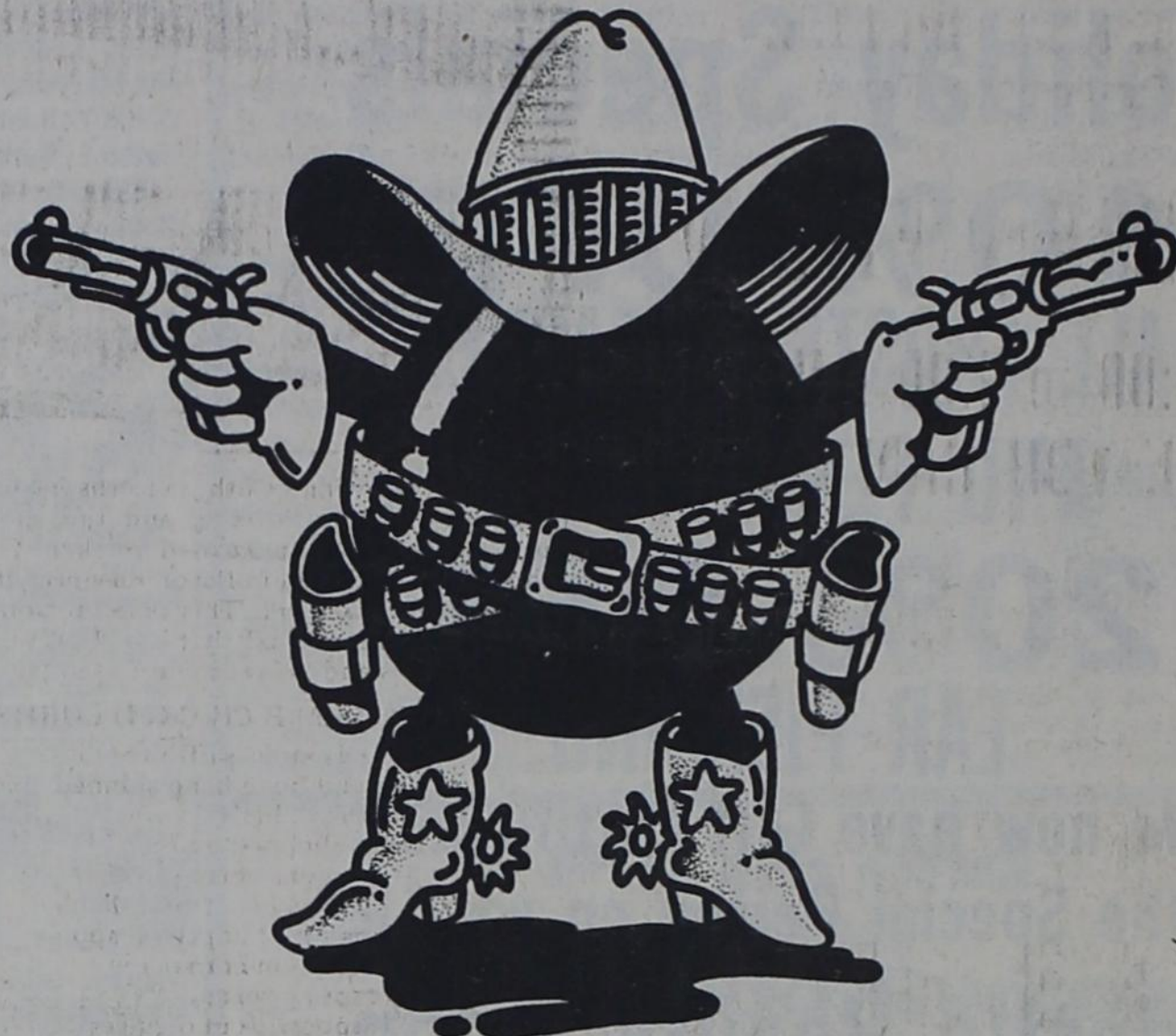
In recent tests by the National Safety Council's Committee on Winter Driving Hazards, cables outperformed snow tires by 89 percent and studded snow tires by 87 percent.

To make things even easier for drivers, the new cables have a patented tightening tool—included with each set—which helps make it easier for anyone to install the cables, even while wearing gloves.



A simple holiday gift for a favorite neighbor: decorate an empty coffee can to match her kitchen decor and fill it with some handy kitchen utensils... wooden spoons, a whisk, a new rubber spatula.

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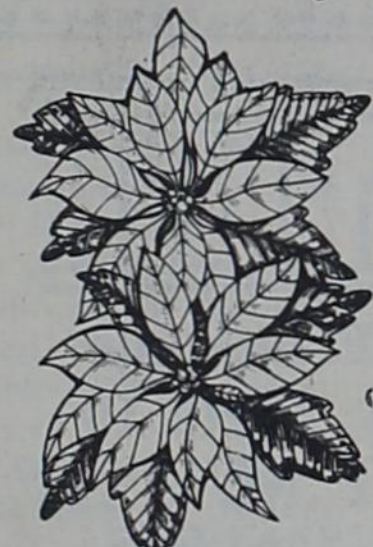
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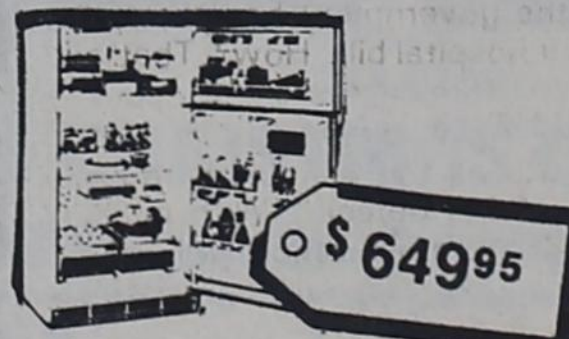
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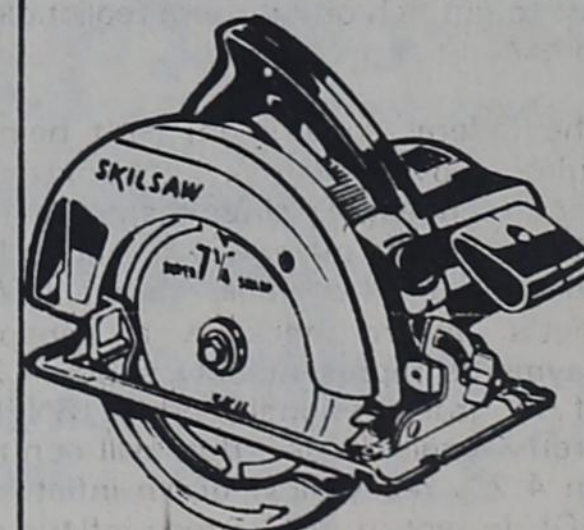


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As a service to the community, Cisco Junior College will offer a Defensive Driving Course December 12 and 14 from 6 - 9:30 p.m. in the Science Hall Lecture room. Fee for the course is

\$20.

The Defensive Driving Course is an eight-hour classroom course designed to improve driver skills and attitudes, especially in emergency situations.

Drivers who complete the training are eligible for a 10% discount on automobile insurance rates covering bodily injuries, property damage, medical payments and collision cover-

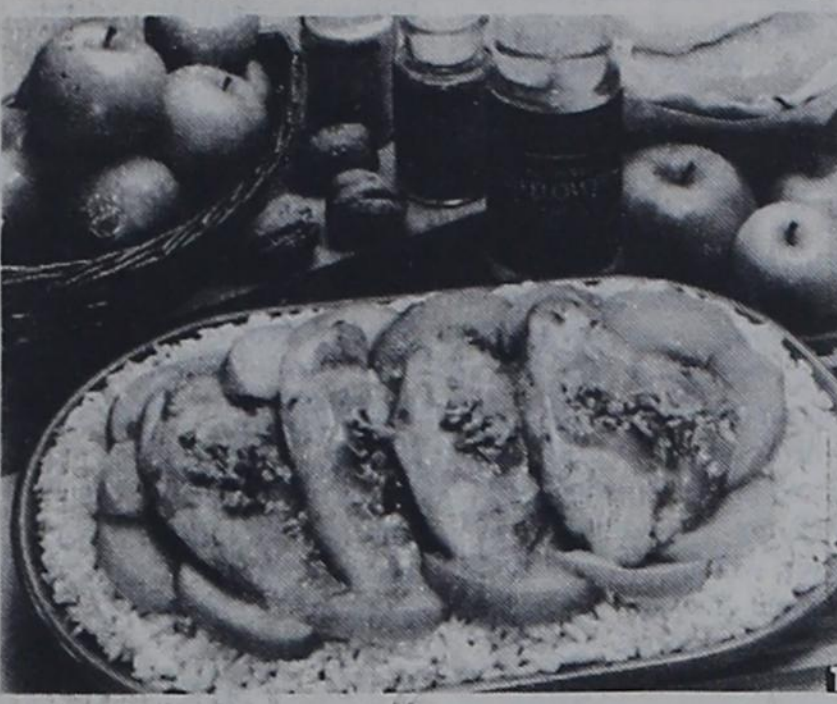
ages. Good for three years, the discount may be renewed by retaking the Defensive Driving Course.

Enrollment fee must be paid by 3 p.m. on Decem-

ber 12. No late registration fees will be accepted.

For more information or to register call or come by the President's office at Cisco Junior College.

Safflower Oil Used In Low-Cholesterol Curry



America's growing health concerns have resulted in an emphasis on lighter cooking and the use of fresh, all-natural ingredients. The curried chicken dish below—low in cholesterol and high in flavor—begins with sauteing the chicken in safflower oil. This oil is not only cholesterol-free, it's the vegetable oil that is highest of all in desirable polyunsaturates and lowest in saturated fats.

KASHMIR CHICKEN CURRY

- 2 tablespoons safflower oil
- 1 pound boned and skinned chicken breasts (cutlets), halved
- 1/2 cup chopped onion
- 1-3/4 teaspoons curry powder
- 1-1/2 cups chicken broth, divided
- 1-1/4 cups sliced unpeeled apples
- 1 tablespoon cornstarch
- 1 teaspoon sugar
- 1/4 teaspoon ground ginger
- 2 tablespoons chopped walnuts

In a large skillet heat safflower oil until hot. Add chicken. Saute until golden, about 5 minutes on each side; remove from skillet to a warm serving plate; cover and set aside. Add onion and curry powder to skillet; saute for 30 seconds. Add 1 cup of the chicken broth and the apples. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat and simmer covered until apples are crisp-tender, about 2 minutes. In a small bowl combine remaining 1/2 cup broth with cornstarch, sugar and ginger; stir into skillet. Cook and stir until clear and lightly thickened. Season with salt, if needed. Spoon curry sauce over chicken cutlets. Garnish with chopped walnuts.

YIELD: 4 portions

HOMEMAKING HINTS

The holiday season is beginning which means special parties, dinners, and informal get-togethers.

The fashion trend for the '83 holiday season will include slim trousers and skirts, chemise dresses, tuxedos and cutaway suits, jumpsuits, cardigans and short, square, midriff cropped tops.

The fashion details will feature low back necklines, ruffles, pleats and tucks, drop waistlines, loose boat, roll, V and bowed necklines, asymmetrical closures and styling, oriental influences featuring Kimono and dolman sleeves, and large button closures.

Color trends that are being shown in the holiday fashions are neutrals (white, ivory, gray, pewter, tan, gold and black) plus the optical effects of bold colors such as cardinal red, lipstick red, scarlet, purple, mauve, violet, rose-pink, magenta, royal blue, teal, and turquoise.

Holiday fashions look rich and elegant as the fabrics are silk, cashmere, angora and lambs wool, cotton and cotton blends. Popular holiday fabrics available to consumers include novelty satin and taffetas, chiffon, georgette, charmeuse, velvet, suede and leathers, sweater knits, crystal pleating, stripes,

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dots, fan and splashy prints.

Trims that razzle and dazzle will feature sequins, beads, shimmering yarns and rhinestones, metallic stripes and metal-sparked fabrics.

The overall accessory trends are glamorous shintrends are glamorous shiny, feminine, and delicate. Belts this season are narrower than last year, studded, and also feature sashes and cummerbunds.

Jewelry being shown for the holidays will be cut crystal and Lucite, drop earrings, faceted, translucent, and stones that look like real rubbies, diamonds, emeralds, and sapphires.

Handbags are in luxurious fabrics with faceted stones, gloves are also decorated with faceted stones for that shimmering sparkle.

When shopping for your special holiday fashion, you will see many garments that are from the 1930 look.

RECIPE FOR THE WEEK:

Nothing will fill you with the holiday spirit more quickly than the wonderful aromas of holiday baking in your kitchen. During the holidays, we always have a need for some good nut-breads to serve our friends. Some of our baked goodies

will also be used for welcomed gifts to neighbors and friends.

This week I am featuring a nutbread that is not only delicious but very festive with the cranberries.

CRANBERRY BANANA BREAD

- 2 cups fresh cranberries
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 cup water
- 1/2 cup shortening
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 2 eggs
- 1 3/4 cups all-purpose flour
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 cup mashed banana
- 1/2 cup coarsely chopped walnuts

Combine cranberries, 1 cup sugar, and water; cook

over medium heat about 5 minutes or until cranberries begin to pop. Drain and set aside.

Cream shortening; gradually add 1/2 cup sugar, beating until light and fluffy. Add eggs, one at a time, beating well after each. Combine dry ingredients; add to creamed mixture alternately with banana, mixing well after each addition. Fold in cranberries and walnuts.

Line a greased 9x5x3 inch loafpan with waxed paper; grease waxed paper. Spoon batter into pan. Bake at 350 degrees for 60 to 65 minutes or until bread tests done. Cool 10 minutes in pan; remove from pan. Yield: 1 loaf.

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More News and Views From Blackwell Hospital

(This is a weekly column provided as a public service to this community on behalf of the physicians, staff, and management of Blackwell Hospital).

Many people not connected with hospital operations, and some people who are, have only limited, if any, real knowledge of what it costs to keep a hospital going. In fact, hospital costs seem to be among the biggest mysteries in this country.

Mystery Revealed

(2nd in a series by Dieter Carlton)

Last week I opened up a "can of worms" and gave you some food for thought about hospital costs. Well...do you really want to know what happens to every dollar you spend for health care? If not, you've really no room to gripe. If so, please read on.

The biggest chunk of your dollar, about 49%, or 49% of hospital revenue goes toward paying salaries and benefits to attract and keep quality employees. Now, you may think this is absurd; but, one woman, as she left the hospital, said, "You know, at what they charge, I should have had a fulltime attendant just to wait on me!" That's pretty selfish when little did she know that she did have a full-time attendant. In fact, she had nearly three full-time attendants. That's right! The average hospital must staff at least three full-time employees per patient to provide proper health care. This doesn't just include nursing personnel. There are also other, apparently invisible people who make the hospital run smoothly. These include pharmacists, x-ray and lab technicians, maintenance and housekeeping people, not to mention business and management personell who, working together, take care of every patient admitted to the hospital.

Hospitals must operate 24-hours per day, 7 days per week. That alone requires twice the labor cost imposed on the average business. Most businesses would have to double their prices or

simply shut down if they had a hospital's labor costs. So, when you hear about hospitals cutting staff, they are making substantial sacrifices to keep health care costs down.

Then there are other costs, including more than 5% out of every dollar for bad debts by people who won't pay their bills and charity for people who can't pay their bills. Yes, charity! You see, when a person comes to the hospital bleeding badly or suffering a heart attack, it's not important whether or not this person has the ability to pay. A human life is in danger. If this person is "broke" and has no insurance...well, it just cost the hospital hundreds, perhaps thousands of dollars in equipment and manpower to do everything possible to save that life.

Somebody, somewhere has to pay the bill. That's part of the reason health care costs are rising.

The rest of your dollar is committed to...well, 14% for maintenance and equipment, 7% for lease or mortgage, another 17% for utilities and supplies; then there are taxes, depreciation, and insurance. In short, there isn't much left to get rich on or, more realistically, to expand services.

The federal government isn't helping either. Government says that putting a cap on hospital reimbursements (ie., Medicare) is a major key to controlling inflation for the whole nation. Well, that's absurd because all hospital payments represent only about 4.2% of our gross national product (GNP), a pretty small chunk. But, will controls on 4.2% really slow down inflation? NO! In fact, it will worsen inflation. If you are a patient, not on Medicare or Medicaid, the government has already inflated your hospital bill. How? That's easy! The government pays only about 71% of a federally sponsored patient's bill. That means the rest of us must make up to 29% deficit. With mandatory controls, this deficit will get even larger. Hardly a cure for inflation! (to be continued next issue)

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Blood Pressure screening every Tuesday from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

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What Parents Can Do About Drug Abuse

You can help your children say no to drugs. That's the message from the National Institute on Drug Abuse. Strong family support helps children develop the personal values and self-confidence they need to resist peer pressure.

Start early, the Institute advises parents. Talk to your children before they have a problem. Although peer pressure can have a strong influence on your children, your love and guidance will help them resist negative pressures. Let them know it's okay to say no to drugs.

Learn about drugs so that you can give your children accurate information. Talk to them before they have problems. As early as the fourth grade, your children may have knowledge of drugs and much of it will be wrong. Set the record



straight and let them know where you stand.

While your children need your support, you, too, may find the need for help if drug problems arise. Many parents find getting together with other parents to set behavior guidelines and standards is helpful.

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In meeting and talking to the people in my district, I find that very few people really understand the court system of our state and there are many misconceptions as to the function, duties and obligations of various courts.

While the judicial branch is supposed to be a one-third, separate but equal, part of our democratic system of government, it seems that the much higher media profile of the Office of the Governor and of the Legislature often relegates the court system to a position of relative obscurity so far as the "man on the street" is concerned. Since each of you will undoubtedly, at some point in your life, come into contact with our court system as a defendant, a litigant, juror or simply interested citizen, I would like to take the liberty of doing a 4 part series on our court system. Please don't think that by making an examination of the court system, I am casting aspersions on your intelligence. On the contrary, I feel the better you understand the forces I have to deal with as your representative, the better you can guide and assist me in making the many decisions I am called upon to make concerning this extremely important branch of government.

Let's begin with the justice courts presided over by a justice of the peace elected by you. The Constitution provides, at this time, for no fewer than four of these courts per county and this court or a municipal court is the court you are mostly likely, as a citizen, to come into contact with. The justice court has jurisdiction of criminal matters of a Class C misdemeanor range (traffic violation, public intoxication,

etc.) and can levy a fine in a criminal matter up to \$200 but cannot impose jail time. The justice of the peace is also a "magistrate" and can set the amount of criminal appearance bonds for all criminal cases; can conduct "examining trials" in all criminal cases to determine if there is the constitutionally required "probably cause" to hold a person accused of a crime; can inquire into debts under suspicious circumstances; order autopsies; conduct marriages and handle civil cases under certain guidelines.

Civil cases that could be handled by a justice of the peace, for instance, would be debt collection suits, damage suits where the amount claimed is minimal and actions to remove non-paying renters. The justice courts have other functions but I think these are probably some of the most important.

From a civil standpoint the justice court is probably the most misunderstood court in our system. It does not require the technical expertise of our other courts and really should be a "people's court" where the average, ordinary citizen, unassisted by an attorney, can go, represent himself and obtain relief for whatever grievance he may have. The maximum amount in controversy, except in case of non-paying renters, must be no more than \$1,000; the judge does not have to be, and usually isn't, an attorney and there is usually no necessity for "written pleadings" as in higher courts.

In metropolitan areas the justice courts are used, extensively, by persons unrepresented by an attorney. It is probably regrettable that more people do not realize the relief they can

obtain, very inexpensively, from a justice court.

This has admittedly been a very cursory examination of justice courts and I would specifically invite any of you who have additional personal questions about these courts and how they can help you, to contact my Austin office for specifics. The courts are there, you pay for them and you should make use of the services they provide.

Next week I plan to discuss the functions of Constitutional County Courts. While I know this is not exciting, it is important and I sincerely hope it will keep your attention.

As the second part of a four part series on our court system, I would like to talk to you on constitutional County Courts. Each of our 254 counties has a constitutional county court presided over by a county judge, who may or may not be an attorney, who is elected by you as a citizen of the county. The County Judge sits in the dual capacity of law judge and head of the Commissioner's Court, which is really not a court at all in the usual sense of the word, but is, in fact, the governing body of the county. That's another story and I want to concentrate on the county court and county judge as an entity and individual applying our state laws.

The county judge has criminal jurisdiction of Class A and B misdemeanors and Class C misdemeanors that may have been appealed from justice court. The county court also has jurisdiction over D.W.I. cases which are not part of our criminal code but are, for reasons, totally unfathomable to me, a part of the statute dealing with highways. The maximum sentence that the county court can levy would be in a Class A misdemeanor range which could be a fine up to \$2,000 and jail time up to one year in county jail or both. A county court cannot sentence an individual to the penitentiary and D.W.I. punishment, as of January 1, 1984, can be not less than 72 hours for more

Eastland County Pecan Bake Show Set Dec. 9

The 31st Annual Eastland County Pecan Show opens in the courthouse lobby Friday, Dec. 9. Some of the finest pecans in the county will be on display.

The pecan show will include about 200 entries of

than 2 years in county jail.

The County Court also has initial jurisdiction over all probate and guardianship proceedings. From the standpoint of public interest, the County Courts most controversial role, at least in the recent past, has been in assessment of sentences for D.W.I. and what would appear to be the public's impression of extremely lax sentences. In all due defense of our county judges, I must say, in my experience, they do an extremely good job in reflecting the general public's attitude about harshness of sentence and, of course, they are in a position to better view mitigating circumstances and to handle defendants on an individual basis.

One of my major concerns about our constitutional County Courts is that we may well be asking our county judges to wear too many hats. As current constitutional requirements stand, they must be, to an extent, county manager, familiar with all governmental programs, criteria and requirements, criminal judge, probate and guardianship judge civil judge and generally the sounding board and depository of all complaints of the citizenry against all county policy, taxation and other elected county public officials.

We, as a people, I think do not always remember the importance of this office in county government and do not realize the effect a constitutional county judge can have on everyday existence.

As with all our elected officials, myself included, it is important that you know what we should be doing so you can judge better how well we will be doing it.

high quality pecans representing over 40 different varieties. It will also include a bake show featuring delicious pecan pies, cakes, candy, nut bread, and cookies. There will also be a pecan centerpiece class.

The show is being sponsored by the Eastland County Pecan Growers Association and the Eastland Chamber of Commerce. James Wright, Chamber of Commerce manager, invites everyone to come and see the best quality pecans in Texas, as well as prize winning baked goods.

Plaques will be given for the three champion entries and rosettes to the reserve champion entries. Ribbons will be awarded to the first three place entries of each variety. In addition, ribbons will be given for the largest pecans and the smallest pecans.

This year's show should be larger than last year's when there were 180 entries. Dan Childers, president of the pecan growers organization, thinks there will be more entries this year because of the larger pecan crop in 1983. There are some good quality pecans in spite of the lack of rain this year.

The first place pecans in each class will go to the regional pecan show next week. All other pecans will be sold after the county show closes at noon Saturday. Shelled pecan kernels will also be sold at the close of the show.

Anyone producing pecans may enter the pecan show. Each entry consists of 43 pecans. All entries must be entered at the Extension Service office by 4:00 p.m. Thursday.

On Friday morning, ten pecans from each entry will be weighed, shelled, and kernels weighed to determine the number of pecans in one pound and the percent kernel. Eastland Chamber of Commerce members will assist with the pecan show by shelling the pecans. Childers says this is an important contribution to the pecan show.

The weight of the pecans and the percent kernels are two important factors in determining winners, along with appearance, color,

The Gordon Spot

By DeMarquils Gordon County Extension Agent

Frost will be hitting Eastland County before long, and this could lead to prussic acid poisoning in livestock grazing certain pasture grasses and forage.

Although many plants contain the toxic material that causes poisoning, those causing the highest mortality in livestock when grazing after they have been frozen and wilted are Johnson and Sudan grasses and sorghum or hybrids of these.

The pecans will be judged at 1:00 p.m. Friday afternoon. Ribbons and plaques will be placed on the entries at that time.

Visitors are welcomed to see the exhibits at anytime. If they prefer to see exhibits after winners have been selected, late Friday would be the best time. Pecans will be on display Saturday morning, but baked good will not be displayed Saturday morning.

The most dangerous time as far as the grazing of these plants is concerned is following frost when the plant material begins to wilt. Livestock should not be allowed access to the wilted material until it has dried completely. This usually takes three or four days of good sunlight. New plant growth usually becomes nontoxic and can be grazed within 10 days to two weeks following a rain.

As far as prussic acid poisoning is concerned, the poison acts rapidly and can kill animals within minutes. In most acute cases, animals become affected within 10 - 15 minutes after eating toxic material and can die in two to three minutes. Symptoms may include a brief period of stimulation followed by depression and paralysis. Signs of colic may be present. Stupor (loss of sensibility), difficult breathing and frequent convulsions may result. Death is caused by suffocation since oxygen remains in the blood and is not exchanged to the tissues. This also causes the blood to appear bright red.

To prevent prussic acid poisoning in livestock we suggest these steps:

1. Allow plant material affected by frost to dry thoroughly before grazing. This may require a week or more of good sunlight.
2. Feed animals hay or a supplement before turning them in on plants that may contain prussic acid. Animals that are not hungry will not be affected as seriously by toxic material since their intake will be limited.
3. Remove all animals from the pasture if one in the herd shows any signs of poisoning.
4. Call a veterinarian immediately if an animal appears to be poisoned. An antidote to treat affected animals is highly efficient if given early. This product is available from veterinarians.
5. Have suspect plant material checked by the Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratories at College Station or Amarillo. Local veterinarians will be happy to submit samples for you.

The overall key to prevent prussic acid poisoning in livestock is to be aware of plant materials that may cause poisoning and then to keep cattle from grazing such plants until a safe period has passed.

GORMAN HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL 1983-1984

Date	Opponent	Site	Girls	Boys	Time
Dec. 1-3	Cisco	Tournament		Boys Only	
6	Hico	There	V	V	5:30
8-10	Gorman	Tournament			
13	Zephyr	Here	V	V	6:30
15-17	De Leon	Tournament			
20	Zephyr	There	V	V	6:30
30	Lingleville	There	V	V	7:00
Jan. 3	De Leon	Here	V	V-JV	5:30
*6	Rising Star	There	V	V	7:00
*10	Eula	Here	V	V	7:00
*13	Cross Plains	Here	V	V	7:00
*17	Moran	There	V	V	7:00
*20	Carbon	There	V	V	7:00
*24	Rising Star	Here	V	V	7:00
*27	Eula	There	V	V	7:00
*31	Cross Plains	There	V	V	7:00
Feb. *3	Moran	Here	V	V	7:00
*7	Carbon	Here	V	V	7:00

*District Games

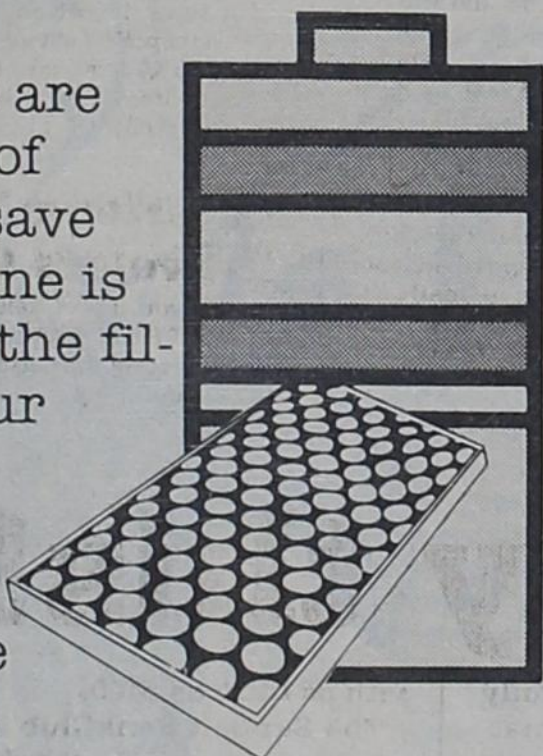
GORMAN JR. HIGH BASKETBALL 1983-1984

Dec. 5	Cross Plains	There	6:30
Dec. 12	Moran	Here	6:30
Jan. 9	Carbon	Here	6:30
Jan. 16	Rising Star	There	6:30
Jan. 23	Eula	Here	6:30
Jan. 26	Cross Plains	Here	6:30
Jan. 30	Moran	There	6:30
Feb. 6	Carbon	There	6:30

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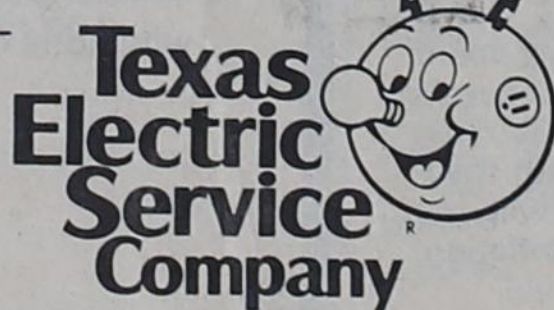
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A luscious blend of ready-to-use ingredients including chocolate pieces, cream cheese, whipped topping and marshmallow cream — in a chocolate wafer crust — the cheesecake requires little preparation time, can be made a day before the party. To make self-service easy, pre-slice cake on serving plate, being careful to wipe knife blade clean after each cut.

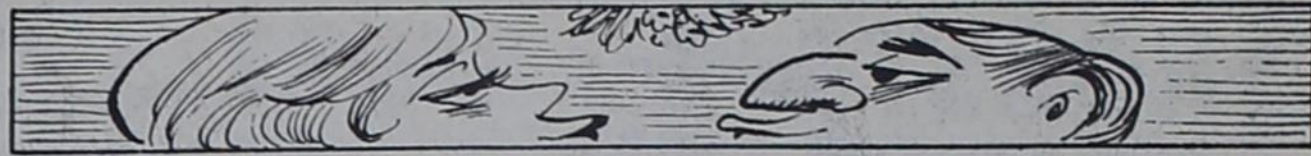
- Chocolate Ribbon Cheesecake**
- 2 cups chocolate wafer crumbs
 - 1/2 cup Parkay margarine, melted



- 1 envelope unflavored gelatin
 - 1/4 cup cold water
 - 2 8-oz. pkgs. Philadelphia Brand cream cheese, softened
 - 1 teaspoon vanilla
 - 1 7-oz. jar Kraft marshmallow creme
 - 1 8-oz. container (3 cups) La Creme whipped topping with real cream, thawed
 - 1 cup semi-sweet chocolate pieces, melted
- Combine crumbs and margarine; press onto bottom of 9-inch springform pan. Chill.
- Soften gelatin in water; stir over low heat until dissolved. Combine cream cheese and vanilla, mixing until well blended. Gradually add gelatin, mixing until blended. Beat in marshmallow creme; fold in 2 cups whipped topping. Fold chocolate into 2 cups gelatin mixture. Pour remaining gelatin mixture over crust; carefully spoon on chocolate mixture. Chill until firm. Top with remaining whipped topping.
- Eggnog**
- 1 12-oz. container (4-1/2 cups) La Creme whipped topping with real cream, thawed
 - 6 eggs
 - 1 cup milk
 - 2 tablespoons sugar
 - 2 teaspoons vanilla
 - 1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg
 - Dash of salt
- Place 3 cups whipped topping and remaining ingredients in blender container. Cover; process on high speed until well blended. Pour into serving bowl; top with remaining whipped topping.

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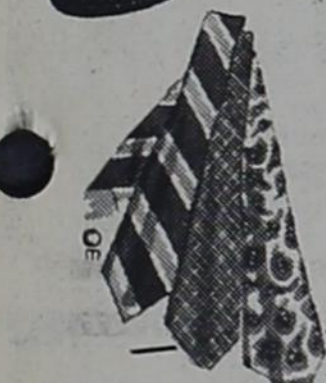
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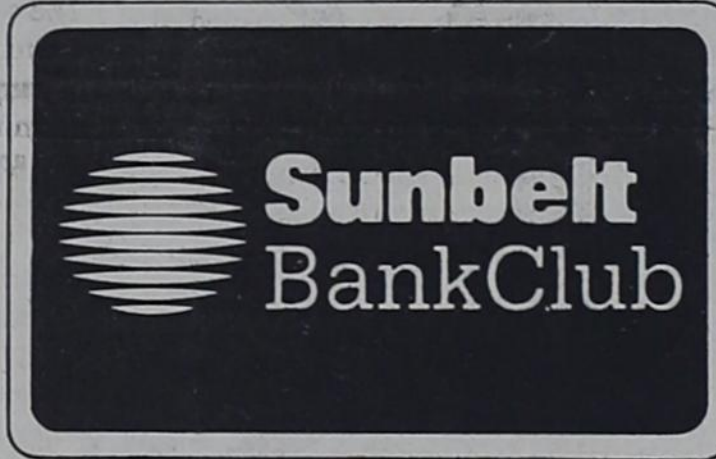


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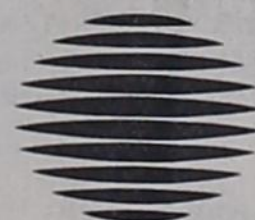
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KOKOMO NEWS

By Zelda Jordan Phone 639-2289

Glenn Jordan visited with them on Saturday night. Mrs. Dora Garrett and Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Jordan visited with them on Sunday.

Woodrow, Helen and Donna Browning rendered the special music at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday morning. Visitors were Ima Boles of Clyde, Dale Collum of Desdemona and Scotty Mauney of Gorman.

Thanksgiving Day visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brown were Berry Greenwood, Ethel Lovell, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McDaniel, Wallace McDaniel, Mr. and Mrs. Duane McDaniel, Shana Lee and John Michael, Mr. and Mrs. Euell Allison, all of Carbon, Ann Allison and Shane Lowrie of Levelland, J. M. Greenwood of Cross Plains, Mrs. Paul Greenwood and Reagan Greenwood of Midland, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Coppinger, Mr. and Mrs. Terry

Coppinger and Leslie of Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Greenwood of Austin, Cindy Greenwood of Waco, Mrs. Archie Crow of Comanche, Mrs. Ione Bounds of Eastland, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pylant and Jimmy of Mineral Wells, and Mr. and Mrs. Alvie Allison, Adrienne, Stacia, David and friend, Nicki of Arlington.

Mrs. Dora Garrett visited recently with Mrs. Carrie Frasier. Mrs. Jim Bennett returned to her home on Saturday from the Hendricks Medical Center in Abilene where she underwent surgery. She reports that she is doing well. Mrs. Elroy Smith and Mrs. Jessie Lee Eison of Gorman were visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Bennett on Saturday afternoon and Mr. and Mrs.

Mrs. Ima Boles of Clyde visited during the weekend with her mother, Mrs. J. L. Little.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Jernigan and grandson, Chris, have recently moved to our community from Alabama. They live on the Elver Everton place and he is the pastor of the Gorman Primitive Baptist Church, and also preaches some at the Kokomo Primitive Baptist Church. He is employed at the Morgan Corp. in Eastland. We welcome this family to our community.

Mrs. Bill Brown of the Kokomo Extension Homemakers Club attended the Extension Council Christmas Party and luncheon in Eastland on Tuesday. Mrs. J. C. Clearman, Mrs. J. L. Morrow and Mrs. Odis

CONGRESSIONAL COMMENT

Congressman Charles W. Stenholm (D-Stamford) today introduced a bill to make farm programs simpler, more predictable and

Rodgers joined them for the tour of the restored home of Mr. and Mrs. Reid.

CHRISTMAS BANQUET AT KOKOMO COMMUNITY CENTER

The Eastland Rotary Club held their Christmas Banquet at the Kokomo Community Center on Monday night, Dec. 5. The room and tables were beautifully decorated in the Christmas theme. The ladies of the Kokomo Community Club and the Kokomo Extension Homemakers Club prepared and served the meal of Turkey and Dressing, Ham and all the trimmings.

Dale Scott and Kenneth Thompson of Albany, Jim Hall of Early and Bill Culverhouse of Eastland rendered a beautiful message in gospel songs.

Following the Rotary Banquet, husbands of the Kokomo Club's ladies joined them at the Community Center for their Christmas supper. Those enjoying the festivities were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brown, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Clearman, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Greene, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hendricks, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Lasater, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Morrow, Mrs. Cullen Rodgers, Mrs. Odis Rodgers, and visitors, Rev. and Mrs. Howard Jernigan and Chris and Rev. Marion Fonville and Rev. Dalton Havard of Houston.

Bro. Fonville and Bro. Havard were visiting with the J. L. Morrrows and other friends in the community and doing some hunting while here.

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Ranger Jr. College LVN Class Visit Rehab

The LVN Class of Ranger Junior College visited West Rehab Center in Abilene on Tuesday November 22.

The students had been working two days a week at De Leon Hospital, with orientations and rotations to be at Ranger General in December.

Capping ceremonies is scheduled for January. Alice Phillips, Class Reporter

fairer.

The legislation simplifies and standardizes the way acreage bases and yields are assigned to producers. Stenholm has been working on the project almost a year, along with the Texas Agricultural Forum, a coalition of farmers and agribusinessmen in the state.

An acreage base, or number of acres to be planted, is assigned to farmers who wish to take part in federal farm programs. A yield measures how many bushels or pounds per acre the farmer is assumed to produce. Both bases and yields are important when farmers decide whether to participate in the programs.

"Right now, our system of bases and yields is a mess," Stenholm said. "It's not fair to many farmers; it's unpredictable for the rest; and it leaves too much discretion to USDA's bureaucratic whims. It needs to be changed and put into permanent law."

Bases and yields are now set by four-year farm bills, Stenholm said, which makes them subject to the political winds every four years. If the base and yield formulas were in permanent law, they would stay there unless repealed, and farmers would have a better idea how many acres they can plant.

"When unpredictable programs keep farmers from planning ahead," Stenholm said, "they often decide not to bother with the programs at all. But this usually means more production and that lowers prices, which drives up taxpayer costs for the farm program."

Stenholm's proposal as-

Highlights of History

December 2, 1942
A controlled nuclear chain reaction was achieved at the world's first nuclear reactor at the University of Chicago.

December 20, 1951
Electricity is generated from atomic energy for the first time in the experimental Breeder Reactor-1 in Idaho.

August 30, 1954
The Atomic Energy Act Amendment was signed by President Eisenhower, permitting commercial nuclear power plants and prohibiting federal sale of nuclear-generated electricity. Utilities were allowed to lease uranium fuel from the government.

signs bases for both overall actual records, and gives deciding for themselves farm acreage and individual farmers more flexibility how much of a given crop crops. It bases yields on then they now have in they will plant.

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