

# THE GORMAN PROGRESS

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## 14 Students From This Area Named In Who's Who

A total of 14 students from this area have been included in the 18th annual edition of WHO'S WHO AMONG AMERICAN HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS, 1983-84.

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 students' 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 activities, athletics or community service. Traditionally, 99% of WHO'S WHO students have a grade point average of "B" or better and 97% are college bound.

The 18th edition of WHO'S WHO, published in nine regional volumes, features 392,000 students, or 6% of the nation's 6,500,000 high school juniors and seniors. They represent 18,000 of the 22,000 public, private and parochial high schools in the country.

Local students selected for this year's volumes are:

**GORMAN:**  
Burgess, Angela  
Foster, Lisa  
Howard, Jeffery  
**CARBON:**  
Bledsoe, Randy W.  
Cozart, Carlton  
Files, Cathy  
Hagan, Denise  
Halford, Sherry  
Hays, Travis  
Mc Daniel, Lynn  
Morgan, Marc  
Morgan, Stacy Marc  
Sandlin, Sheryl  
Stallings, Landon

## GOLDEN AGE CLUB NEWS

It was a beautiful day Sunday, December 9th when approximately one hundred people enjoyed the First National Bank's Golden Age Club annual Christmas party. It was held at the Cedar Country Club where a nice dinner with ham and turkey was served.

The Stephenville Dixieland Band, Monty Montgomery, Lisa Cornwell, Rawlyn and Fran Richter, Shanna Montgomery and Jody Gibbs helped with the entertainment.

This party concluded the 9th year for the club which would be totally impossible without the support of the following local merchants:

Birdsong Peanuts  
Brown's Feed Store  
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Gorman Progress  
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Higginbotham's  
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Jay's Grocery & Market  
Smith Brothers Chevrolet  
A. E. Smith Peanut Warehouse and Dryers.

## SANTA TO APPEAR NIGHTLY AT THE GOLOB HOME

Santa will arrive at Phil and Angie Golob's home on the below dates and times, Thursday and Friday, December 13th and 14th; and Monday thru Friday, December 17th to 21st from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Santa will be looking for you.

Please bring camera. Come see X-Mas display and listen to the music.

Love,  
Santa

# SCHOOL BOND ELECTION SET SATURDAY

## FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT'S DESK

The School Board and administration would like to address the need for the bond issue to be voted on Saturday, December 15, 1984. Again

the feeling is that the Gorman Schools would be upgraded for years in the future, for added space that will be needed to comply with the new legislation passed last summer and the existing buildings would be put in top condition. These improvements would meet the needs of our schools. Both pro-

positions need to pass. Proposition Number 1 would give the authority to levy maintenance taxes under Chapter 20 of the Texas Education Code. The issue asks the voter to change to Chapter 20. The maintenance tax we now operate under is \$1.50. The Chapter 20, is also \$1.50 for

maintenance tax. This would give the district the authority to guarantee bond payment, which is law to pay bond indebtedness. Proposition Number 2 is the amount of bond to be voted on.

The nine classrooms would meet accreditation standards as 4 new classrooms, science

lab, elementary library, computer room, Special Education room and reading room, for the school district. If I can answer any questions, please come by the office.

Thank you,  
G. W. Maxfield  
Supt. of Schools

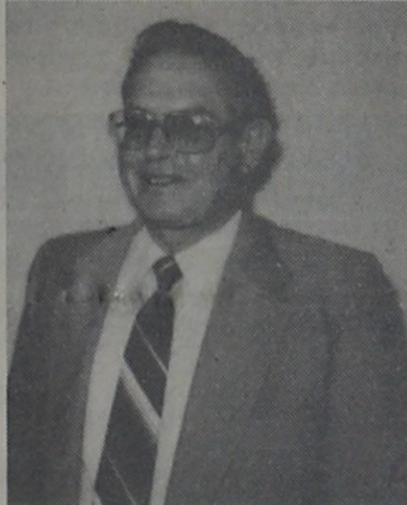
## The Marvin Dorsett's To Celebrate 50th Anniversary



Mr. and Mrs. Marvin C. Dorsett will be celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary on Sunday. Marvin and Faye were married in Carbon on December 4, 1934. After living in Lubbock for some years, they moved back to Gorman in 1974.

A reception, hosted by their children, will be held at their rural home, which they call "Timberline", from 2 p.m. til 4 p.m. on December 16th. Friends of Marvin and Faye are invited to attend.

## Jim Hammock New Administrator at Gorman Care Center



Mr. Jim Hammock has been recently appointed administrator of Gorman Care Center of Gorman.

Mr. Hammock comes here from Rockwell, Texas. He attended Rockwell School, Texas A&M and McClennen Community College in Waco. He received his license as a Nursing Home Administrator in March 1984.

Mr. Hammock is unmarried, but has three children, Sheri, Don, Cindy, by two previous marriages. They all live in the Dallas metro-area.

He hopes to meet all the people in the Gorman area, and invites all the people in the area to come to the nursing home and get acquainted. He expressed his appreciation of all the help the community for the support in the past few years and hopes that the support will continue.

## NEWS AND AD COPY NEEDED EARLY FOR NEXT TWO EDITIONS

News and advertising copy will need to be turned in as early as possible for the next two issues of the Progress due to the holidays falling on Tuesday. Your cooperation will be appreciated.

If your news is not in the Christmas edition, it will be put in the News Years edition. Thanks.

## ITEMS OF INTEREST

**Jr. Class Rummage Sale** at D. B. Warrens Melon Stand on Highway 6 from 10 to 4 p.m.

**Commodities** will be given away on Tuesday, December 18th at 2:00 until 3:30 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center.

Re-certification for people who are eligible to receive surplus commodities for 1985 will be held January 2nd from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center.

**South Eastland County Hospital District Tax Office** has recently moved back to Blackwell Hospital. New office hours are Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:00 a.m. til noon and from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

**South Eastland County Hospital District Board of Directors** will have its Regular Monthly meeting on the 4th Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. at Blackwell Hospital.

**Free Blood Pressure Check** any day at any time. You come by the Nurses Station at Blackwell Hospital.

**Gorman City Commissioners** will meet the First and Third Thursdays at 8:00 a.m. at the City Hall.

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

**Gorman Housing Authority Board** will meet the Second Tuesday of each month at 1:30 p.m. in the Assembly Room of High Rise Apartments.

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

**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 every month at the Senior Citizens Center at 2:00 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.

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

## SANTA CLAUS TO VISIT GORMAN BASKETBALL NEWS



Santa will make his annual visit to Gorman on Saturday, December 15 at 2:00 p.m. in downtown Gorman. He will arrive on the fire truck and then will be at Lasater's Discount Store to visit with all of the children. He will also have candy for them.

Parents be sure to bring their kids to see Santa so they may tell him all of their many wishes! Santa wants every child to have the opportunity to see and visit with him so he'll know just what to bring them on Christmas.

The Chamber of Commerce and the local merchants are sponsors of this annual event.

Results of the Gorman Tournament held here December 6, 7, and 8 show that the Hico Tigers Girls Team took First Place. Coming in Second was De Leon and Gorman Girls placed Third. Dublin Lions Girls team took consolation.

The Boys Bracket of games showed Lingleville beating De Leon by a overtime score of 66-65 to take First Place. Gorman defeated Carbon by a score of 66-65 to take Third Place. Dublin Lions team beat Gustine to take the consolation trophy.

## JUNIOR HI BASKETBALL

In game action November 11 the Junior Hi girls won over Carbon by a score of 18 to 9. Dara Miears had 4 points, Kim Webb also had 4 points, Tiffany Stiffany had 4 points, Tony Caraway had 6 points.

Scoring for Carbon were Suzanne Redfearn with 2 points, Shelly McCoy with 1 point, Jackie Pickens with 4 points, and Shawne McAdoo with 2 points.

The Junior Hi Boys won over Carbon by a score of 35 to 17. Scoring for Gorman were Craig Gryder with 8 points, Ronson Childers with 6 points, Michael Ables with 12 points, Lance Morrow with 5 points, and Joe Rodgers with 2 points.

Scoring for Carbon were Morris with 3 points, Thackerston with 2 points, Forbus with 6 points and Bond with 6 points.

In game action November 26 the Gorman Jr. Hi Girls won again by a score of Gorman 27 - Sidney 11.

Dara Miears led the scoring with 10 points, followed by Amy Seaton with 6 points, and Kim Webb, Joni Williams, April Daniels, Kim Sharp and Tonya Caraway all having 2 points each.

In game action the Boys heavily beat Sidney by a score of 49 to 17.

Ronson Childers led the scoring for Gorman with 10 points, followed by Michael Ables with 8 points, Lance Morrow with 6 points, Lance Sharp with 6 points, Johnnie Osborne with 4 points, Gary Browning with 4 points, Craig Gryder, Kevin Love, Manuel Ramirez, Shane Morrow, Brandon Gilmore all had 2 points each and Oscar Herrera had 1 point.

In game action December 3 the Gorman Jr. Hi Girls beat May by a score of 40 to 6.

Scoring for Gorman was Dara Miears with 15 points, Kim Webb with 10 points, Nikki Warren with 2 points, Amalia Madera with 2 points, Jodi Gibbs with 4 points, Tiffany Stephens with 4 points, Tonya Caraway with 4 points, and Julie Casey with 1 point.

In game action Gorman defeated May by a score of 60 to 24.

Scoring for Gorman were Craig Gryder with 4 points, Ronson Childers with 16 points, Michael Ables with 18 points, Shane Morrow with 4 points, Michael Warren with 2 points, Johnnie Osborne with 8 points, Lance Morrow with 2 points, Gary Browning with 2 points, and Brandon Gilmore with 4 points.

## JUNIOR CLASS RUMMAGE SALE TO BE HELD SATURDAY

### AT WARRENS MELON SHED

The Junior Class will hold a rummage sale Saturday, Dec. 15 at D.B. Warren's Watermelon Shed located on Hwy. 6 West. Permission has been obtained to store our items at the Gorman First Methodist Church. Please bring your odds and ends, old clothing, toys, etc. to the church after school Friday. These goods will be checked and priced for the following morning.

—GP—

## BLACKWELL HOSPITAL COVERED DISH LUNCH SET DECEMBER 19 AT NOON

There will be an all employee "Covered Dish Luncheon on Dec. 19th starting at 12 noon in the Blackwell Hospital Dining Room.

Everyone in town is invited to come share a meal with your local hospital.

All we ask is that you bring something to share with everyone else. Come on in and meet the staff. The party won't be over till all the food is gone.

—GP—

## CARD OF THANKS

I would like to express my thanks to the First National Bank and all other merchants in supporting the Golden Age Club which enables the senior citizens to afford the trips and the Christmas party.

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Mozelle Rhymes.



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WEDNESDAY EVENING	7:00 a.m.

## CHRISTMAS PARTY HELD FOR WILLING WORKERS CLASS

The Willing Workers Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church met for their Christmas luncheon and party in the home of Winnell Bryant, our teacher, on Dec. 11th.

The lunch consisted of a covered dish from each member of which made a lovely and delicious meal. The Christmas theme was carried through out, with much love expressed for our Lord and Savior, and each other. In the afternoon a program and exchanging of gifts followed. Christmas carols were played. Olga Kinser brought the Christmas story, that was enjoyed by all. Those present were: Winnie Thompson, Olga Kinser, M.L. Skiles, Ina Mae Torrence, Estelle Dickey, Carrie Cook and the Hostess.

### CHILDREN CAN CHOKEN ON FOOD

Parents who consider safety when buying their children's toys often forget to use the same caution in preparing children's food. "Food asphyxiation accounts for as many childhood deaths annually as poisoning but has received much less public attention," says Dr. Mary Ann Heussner, a health education specialist with the Texas A&M University Agricultural Extension Service. A recent nationwide study of children's food related choking fatalities found that children choked most often on hot dogs. Other foods on the list were candy, peanuts and other nuts, grapes, cookies, meat, carrots, apples, popcorn and peanut butter, she notes. Foods such as peanuts or hard, round candies should not be given to children younger than four or five, she advises. Foods that must be chewed should not be given to children until they have developed a complete set of teeth at around age two.

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The program will be held at the Texas 4-H Center on the shores of Lake Brownwood on January 21 through 26 and again January 28 through February 2, 1985.

Participants will have the opportunity to 'get away from it all' and concentrate on themselves and their health. Each day will include at least four hours of various exercise and four hours of instruction in the areas of nutrition, food and drug interaction, color and wardrobe, hair and make-up trends, stress and time management, personal diet consultation and other areas.

The families of the participants will also be involved in a support and motivation session on the final day of the program.

LaMesa, a new concept in fitness, offers maximum benefits for a minimum price. Contact your Eastland County Extension Agent, Janet Thomas at 629-2222, for more information and registration details.

### FOOD INHALATION IN CHILDREN

About 66 to 77 children - most under the age of five - die by choking on food each year, says a Texas A&M University Agricultural Extension Service health education specialist. Besides causing choking, small pieces of food can also go deep into the bronchial tubes or into the lungs themselves, says Dr. Mary Ann Heussner. "It's not always easy to recognize that a child has inhaled food," cautions the specialist. The initial coughing fit may end and the child will appear to have recovered. However, more serious symptoms, such as pneumonia, may show up days or even weeks later. "If you suspect food inhalation and the food particle is not coughed up, contact your pediatrician or family physician," advises Heussner.

### COCOA VS. CAROB

Perhaps because of advertising, some consumers have the false perception that carob is nutritionally superior to cocoa, says a Texas A&M University Agricultural Extension Service nutritionist. "When cocoa and carob are compared, cocoa is shown to have more nutrients than carob," says Mary K. Sweeten. Tests by the United States Department of Agriculture indicate that cocoa has more protein, calcium, phosphorus, iron, potassium, vitamin A, riboflavin and niacin than does carob powder, she explains. Cocoa powder does contain more fat than carob. However, the commercially manufactured carob products often rival those containing cocoa since vegetable fats are added to make solid carob products.

## Gordon Spot County Extension Agent

**DeMarquis Gordon**

There are well over five million native pecan trees along Texas rivers and streams. Little wonder the State claims this popular and productive tree as the official State Tree of Texas.

The pecan, whether native or a named variety, is often claimed as a good yard or shade tree. Not only does it provide shade but rewards the grower with desirable nuts as well. The pecan makes a stately shade tree and is comparatively fast growing. It is quick to lose its leaves come fall and late to leaf out in the spring, thus allowing the desired winter sun more than most other tree selections.

Winter is pecan tree planting time. Planting when the tree is dormant and the season cool and moist is important for good livability.

For success in planting pecans, select and buy sound, vigorous trees. The pecan is purchased bare-rooted, thus, choose trees which are not dried out, and keep the root area moist at all times. If there is a delay in planting, cover the root area with moist rags or with moist soil until planting.

Select a tree 3 to 6 feet in height...above the root line...and prune at least one-third of the top growth away. Cutting the new tree back is often difficult for most gardeners; yet, pruning the tree will pay off with faster establishment of roots and faster growth the first critical year after planting.

Locate the pecan planting in well-drained soil and where there is ample sun and growing room away from the competition of neighboring trees.

The grower must dig the planting area large enough to easily accommodate the

tree's root system. Set the tree at the same depth it stood in the nursery row...not too shallow, not too deep. Replace well-prepared topsoil around the roots, firming it well to eliminate possible air pockets, and water well after planting.

Do not fertilize the tree until it is well established and growing. Usually, it is best for the grower to wait until the second spring or growth season to begin a fertilizer program.

Perhaps the most difficult and the most important item in growing pecans is to choose the proper variety for one's specific area. New varieties which are of better quality and more disease resistant are replacing the older and less desirable ones. The following are recommended pecan varieties for Eastland County with some of their outstanding characteristics:

In-shell pecans for retail sales and home use:

**CHOCTAW** is a large pecan of excellent kernel quality. Choctaw develops a 59 percent kernel and requires 37 nuts to weigh one pound under optimum growing conditions.

**KIOWA** is a brand new USDA release. Kiowa nuts look like Desirable. The tree is more vigorous, produces larger crops, but is not as consistent as Desirable.

**MOHAWK** is a large pecan of fair to good kernel quality. Mohawk develops a 60 percent kernel and requires 34 nuts to weigh one pound under optimum growing conditions. Mohawk makes an excellent dooryard tree because of its diffuse branching and heavy, dense foliage. Mohawk is also adapted to areas of North Texas because it matures

pecan early in the season.

**MAHAN** is a large pecan with variable kernel quality. This is an old variety which has had good market acceptance in spite of poor kernel quality due to its large size. The Mahan tree has a dark rich green color and is an excellent tree for ornamental purposes.

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## KOKOMO NEWS

By Mrs. Zelda Jordan

Phone 639-2289

The Christmas Program at the Kokomo Baptist Church will be on Wednesday night, December 19 at 7:00 p.m. Santa will arrive following the program to talk with the little ones, and perhaps some of us older ones too. Following the gift exchange from the beautifully decorated tree, there will be a fellowship in the fellowship hall.

Bro. Clarence Wilson and members of the Kokomo Baptist Church were at the Gorman Care Center on Sunday afternoon for the church service.

Mr. and Mrs. Cullen Rodgers and Bro. Clarence Wilson were dinner guests of Mrs. Odis Rodgers on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Spencer of San Antonio visited during the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Cullen Rodgers.

Mr. Vernon Fields came home from the Eastland hospital on Friday, and is doing fine. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Nachtigall, Taylor and Trevis of Morgan Mill and Buster Johnson of Carbon visited with them during the weekend.

Mrs. Ollie Nelson, mother of

Clifford Nelson has been in the ICU at the Blackwell Hospital since Saturday morning when she suffered a light heart attack. We wish her a speedy recovery.

It was good to see Mary Jane Greene able to be back in church on Sunday morning after being out for quite awhile recuperating from back surgery.

Visitors during the week with Mrs. Nancy Hendricks were Mrs. Daisy Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbourne Wood of Carbon, and Mrs. Lenis Rice of Carbon, Mrs. Jerry Graham, Bro. and Mrs. Joe O'Neal, Mrs. Ruth Bryant, Mrs. Hope Joiner and Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Jordan.

Mrs. Ava Rodgers, Mrs. Berneice Rodgers, Mrs. Nancy Hendricks attended the Golden Age Club Christmas Banquet at the Lone Cedar Country Club on Sunday afternoon.

Kenneth Whitley of De Leon visited with Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Jordan on Saturday morning.

Ty Cobb, the greatest batter of all time, had a lifetime batting average of .367.

## ATTENTION!!! ALL 4-H AND FFA EXHIBITORS

ATTENTION all 4-H and FFA County Livestock Show Exhibitors. It's time to validate projects. All market animals (steers, barrows, lambs) have to be validated by January 10, 1985. Each town or community will validate at different dates. The VO-Ag teachers, County Agent, and a Livestock Raiser Director will work together in each community to validate all projects at one time.

Some tentative dates are:  
EASTLAND - December 12-13 (Wednesday and Thursday) afternoons;  
RISING STAR

## SOMERVILLE CO. 4-H HORSE JUDGING CONTEST HELD DEC. 1

On Saturday, December 1, the Somerville County 4-H Horse Judg-

-December 14 (Friday) afternoon; RANGER - December 15 (Saturday); GORMAN - January 10 (Thursday).

Other communities have not set dates yet but as soon as a date is set the word will get out. If you do not have your project yet, you only have a few more days left to get it (that is if you plan on showing in the County Livestock Show). Let's get this done so we can have a GREAT COUNTY LIVESTOCK SHOW IN 1985.

ing Team sponsored a practice horse judging contest. Eastland county participants walked with an arm full of awards. In the senior division Amy McDonald of Ranger fought her way to a second place overall. On the halter classes and the reasons she ended up 4th, but on the performance classes she ended up 1st. The Jr. division was very tough with over 28 contestants. In the halter classes LaDawn Little of Ranger 4-H placed 10th, Tammy Lyerla of Eastland 4-H ended up splitting first in the performance classes, while LaDawn split 9th. Brian Bailey of Rising Star 4-H placed 8th in reasons and Tammy split first again. Tammy ended up 5th place overall. Other Jr. participants from Eastland County include: from Rising Star 4-H; J. Wilson, Jomy Clark, Darcie Pope, Kimberly Wilson; from Eastland

4-H; Kori Lewis.

The Adult division was a barrel of laughs. The Halter classes saw Mary Jane Little, Ranger 4-H, winning 1st; Sandra Lyerla, Eastland 4-H placed 2nd; Shelly Bailey, Rising Star 4-H 3rd; Paul Brown, Eastland County 4-H, 4th; Debbie Pope, Rising Star 4-H, 6th; and Traci Brown, Eastland County 4-H, ended up 8th.

In the performance classes Paul Brown was 2nd, Sandra Lyerla 3rd, Shelly Bailey 4th, Mary Jane Little, 7th, Traci Brown 8th, and Debbie Pope 9th. Overall it was Traci Brown 8th, Debbie Pope 7th, Shelly Bailey 4th, and Paul Brown, Sandra Lyerla, Mary Jane Little splitting 1st, 2nd, and 3rd.

It was a very good contest. Eastland County should be proud of its representation and the fine job they did.

## DESDEMONA NEWS

By Vonnie Guthery

Claudia Wayne McIntosh was buried Saturday in Leuders. His mother is Wayne (Roberts) McIntosh.

Mrs. Darrell (Jo) Guthery of Fort Worth was buried Saturday in Oliver Springs. Darrell is a cousin to Pug Guthery and A. V. Seay. We send our sincere sympathy to these families.

Mary Archa is home now and doing fine following surgery recently in Abilene.

Visiting recently with Elbert and Abbie Lindley were his sister, Betty Milner and a friend Vicki Brennon of Baytown. Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Lindley of Ranger, Mr. and Mrs. Charles

Lindley and children of Dallas, Gail and Clint Lindley of Eastland and Johnny Lewis of Ranger.

Louise Merrill, Benton Echols, Carrie Carr, Maggie Smith, Roy and Violet Watson went to the Country Club for dinner on Sunday.

The Ladies Monthly Social was on Monday, December 10th at local cafe. Hosted by Annie Collum and Bethel Clark. If you would like to volunteer for this monthly social contact Annie Colum for details.

Also please call this reporter with your news items - it is kinda hard to keep this goin without news.

## CONGRATULATIONS

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## 12 EASTLAND COUNTY 4-H'ERS COMPETE AT DISTRICT 8 SHOW

12 Eastland County 4-H'ers competed at District 8 Food Show in Glen Rose Saturday, December 8th. All the 4-H'ers did a wonderful job. Four placed in the top 5 of their division. We congratulate all these 4-H'ers on a fine job.

Those competing and in what category follows: Main Dish (Sub-Jr.) - Marsha Crenwelle, blue ribbon, and 3rd out of 17; Fruits and Vegetable (Sub-Jr) - Shane Caraway, red ribbon; Breads and Cereals (Sub-Jr.) - Cathy

Thomas, blue ribbon and 1st out of 16; Nutritious Snacks and Desserts (Sub-Jr.) - Donna Majors, white ribbon; Main Dish (Jr.) - Tonya Caraway, red ribbon; Fruits and Vegetable (Jr.) - Natalie Stevens, blue ribbon and 4th out of 15; Breads and Cereals (Jr.) - Albany Sargent, red ribbon; Nutritious Snacks and Desserts (Jr.) - Kori Lewis, blue ribbon and 1st out of 17;

Main Dish (Sr.) - Melissa Bailey, red ribbon; Fruits and Vegetables (Sr.) - Christina Howell, white ribbon; Breads and Cereals (Sr.) - Amy McDonald, blue ribbon; Nutritious Snacks and Desserts (Sr.) - Barbara Majors, red ribbon.

## CARBON NEWS

By Mrs. Velma Hastings

639-2517

There will be a bridal shower honoring Iranna Mortimer, bride-elect of Trent Edwards on Sunday, December 16, at Rosetta Hagan's home in Carbon from 2 to 4 p.m. All friends and relatives are invited to attend.

Carbon Lion's Club Ladies Night will be held at K-Bob's in Eastland, Saturday evening, December 15.

In High School Basketball we have no scores but understand the Boys won their game with Gordon last week and the girls were defeated. They will play at Santo this week.

In the Gorman Tournament neither team placed.

We have no report of Junior Hi games.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Jackson visited their sister-in-law in

Tuscola last Thursday.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Thurman on Sunday were Mmes. Frances Durbin, Barbara Alexander, Kay Dewbre of Ranger; Mr. and Mrs. Micky Kitchens of Eastland.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherl Taylor enjoyed having their mothers, Mrs. Ovassa Taylor of Comanche and Mrs. Theola Neeh of Cross Plains; also a cousin Mrs. Mary Gillian of Beaty visited in the home on Sunday.

Mrs. Nora Tucker visited relatives in De Leon on the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Don House, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Siebert of Eastland spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Hays, Travis and Jory.

Everybody is getting ready for Christmas with the beautiful weather we are having.

## DECEMBER 31ST ENDS 1984 CROP INSURANCE PERIOD

GEORGETOWN, TEXAS - December 31st ends the 1984 Crop Year insurance period for Peanuts grown in EASTLAND County and insured by the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation (FCIC), or by a private company reinsured by FCIC, according to Ardell M. Kalmbach, a representative for the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation.

"Any notice of loss must be given no later than 30 days after total destruction of the unit, completion of harvest, or December 31, 1984, whichever occurs earlier," according to Kalmbach.

The producer who anticipates a claim should notify his or her Crop Insurance agent immediately.

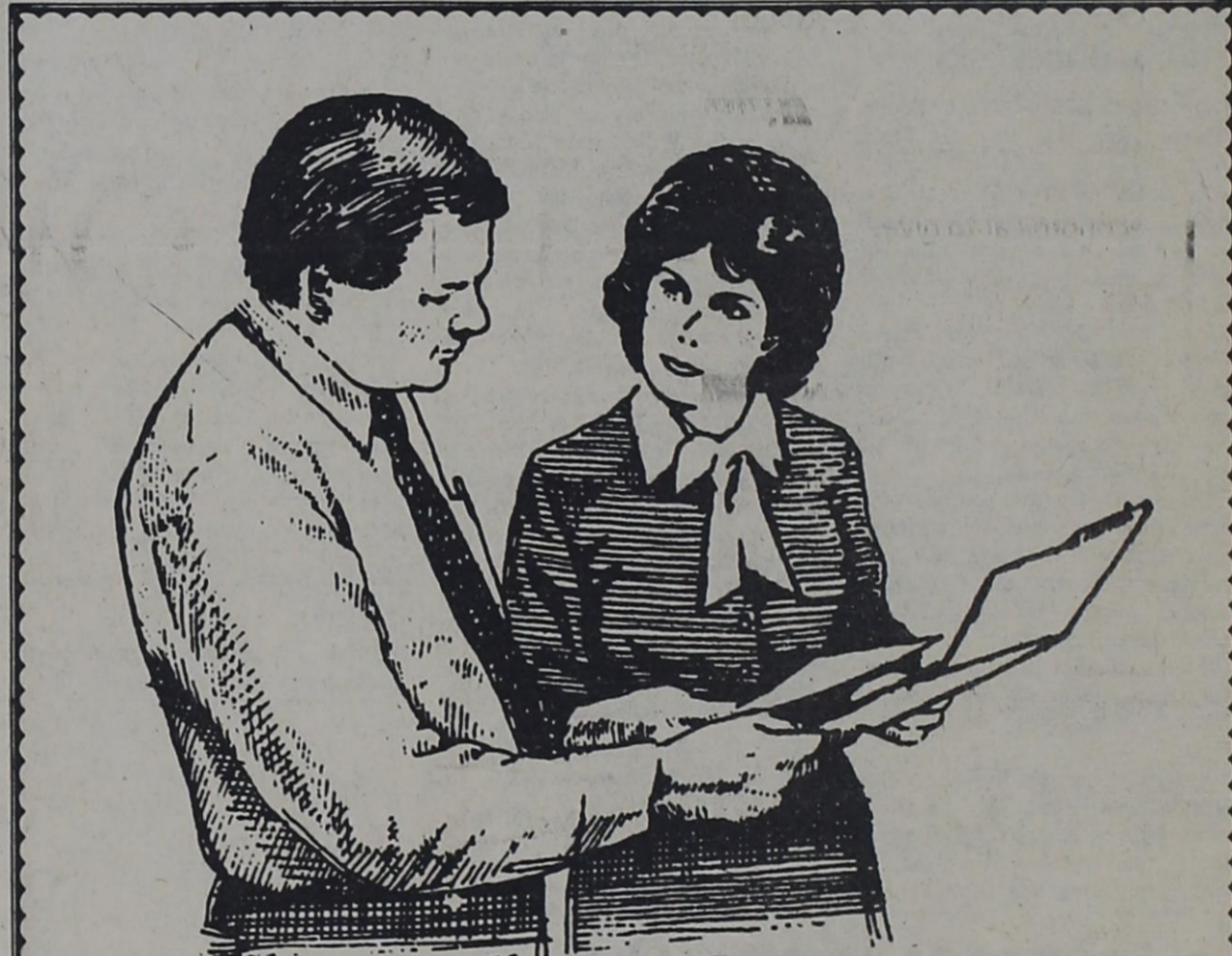
"Under the terms of the policy, any acreage on which harvest will not be completed must be left intact until an inspection is made. Any claim for indemnity may be rejected if these loss reported requirements are not met," Kalmbach stated.

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## TEXAS PECAN CROP SHORT

About a third of Texas's 1984 pecan crop has been harvested, and a crop of less than 20 million pounds is expected, down sharply from last year's 80 million pounds.

This year's crop is down mainly because of the large crop in 1983, some tree damage from the severe freeze last December, this year's extensive drought, and heavy infestation of the pecan nut casebearer, the chief pecan pest, notes a horticulturist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System.



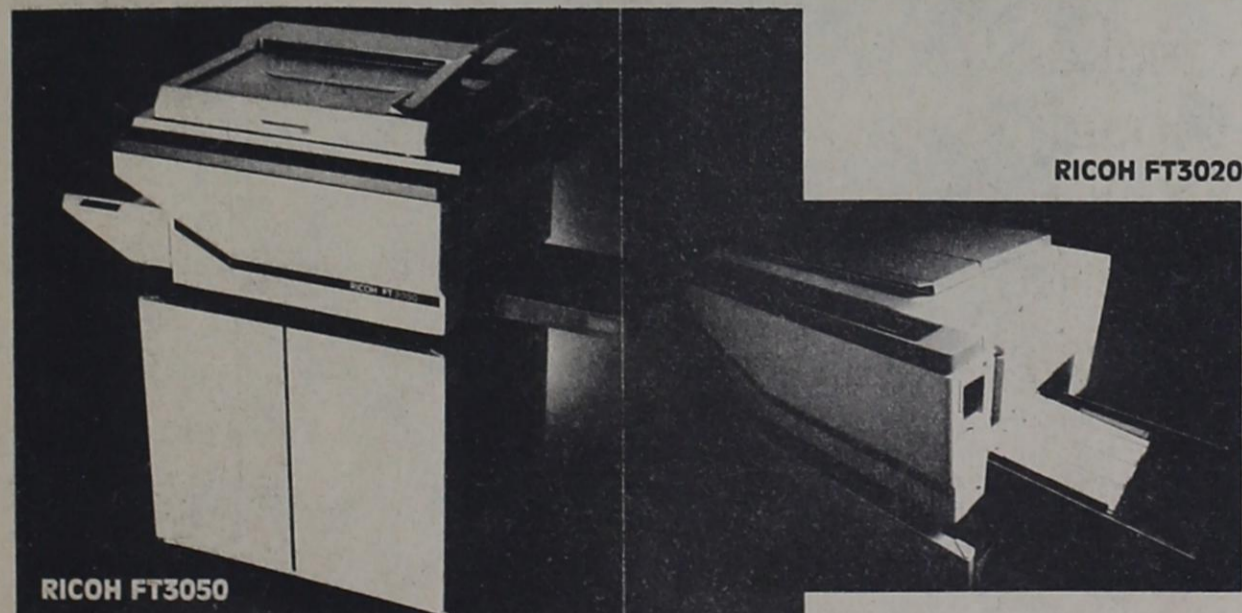
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### SOUTHWESTERN EXPOSITION AND FAT STOCK SHOW SET

The 89th edition of the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show may well be another banner year, according to W.R. Watt Jr., show president/manager. He based the forecast on early indications of livestock entries for the Jan. 23 through Feb. 3 show.

Watt said the American Polled Hereford Association, which will hold its 62nd national show in conjunction with the 1985 Stock Show, reports record entries of 700 head of breeding cattle.

These early figures, coupled with entries from the American Shorthorn Association and the Santa Gertrudis Breeders International, two other breeder groups holding national shows during the Stock Show, and other entries of cattle, sheep, swine and horses, indicate a big livestock show is in the offing here, Watt added.

Last year, a record 16,700 head of livestock was entered for the Stock Show. Although large animal entries closed this week, exhibitors of poultry, pigeons, and rabbits have

until Jan. 15 to enter.

The Stock Show is scheduled in conjunction with 23 performances of the World's Original Indoor Rodeo. The 23rd performance was added this year as a 2 p.m. matinee on Friday, Jan. 25, the newly designated Public School Day at the show.

Rodeo tickets are on sale in the lobby of the Will Rogers Memorial Coliseum from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Tickets for the Public School Day matinee and other 2 p.m. performances Monday through Friday are priced at \$6; Monday through Thursday nights are \$8; and Friday nights and all week-end rodeos are \$10.

Mail orders are being accepted at the ticket office, P.O. Box 150, Fort Worth, TX 76101, 817-335-9346. Orders should specify which performance is desired, and include \$1 extra per order for return postage and handling.

#### 4-H CLUB NEWS

Becky Underwood, Reporter

Eastland County Livestock show is March 13-16, 1985.

The Ft. Worth stock show is January 23 - February 3, 1985.

The Houston stock show is February 16 - March 3, 1985.

The date of San Angelo stock show

### CHRISTMAS DINNER HELD AT VIRGIE DENNIS HOME

Mrs. Virgie Dennis and Tim entertained Sunday with a X-Mas dinner for the following guests: Mr. and Mrs. F. Kincaon and Eric of Fort Worth; Mrs. Jessie Kincaon of Stephenville; Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Wisdom of Desdemona; Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Buckley and Linda of Desdemona; Mr. and Mrs. Lenora Pritchow and girls of Plano; Mrs. Ramona Powell of Garland; Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Waldom of Clyde; Mr. J. D. Buckley of Crane; Mrs. Hazel Wisdom of Gorman; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Harrison of Gorman; Mrs. Freta Duke of Ennis and Mr. and Mrs. Leo Williams of Ranger.

is March 2-10.

Mark your calendars for all these stock shows.

### SCHOOL MENU

Week of December 17-21

#### BREAKFAST

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TUESDAY - Buttered rice, raisins, and milk.  
WEDNESDAY - Toast, bacon, juice and milk.  
THURSDAY - Oatmeal, raisins and milk.  
FRIDAY - Pancakes, syrup, juice and milk.

#### LUNCH

MONDAY - Pimento cheese sandwiches, tator tots, lettuce and tomato salad, oatmeal cookies and milk.  
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WEDNESDAY - Barbecued weiners, pinto beans, spinach, cornbread, rice crispie bars, milk.  
THURSDAY - Lasagna, let-

### 1983 AMENDMENTS TO CHANGE THE REQUIREMENTS OF SS BENEFITS

The 1983 Amendments to the Social Security Act will change the requirements for entitlement to Social Security Benefits for some divorced spouses. Currently, a divorced spouse can receive Social Security Benefits based on his or her ex-spouse's record only if that ex-spouse is already receiving Social Security Benefits. Beginning January 1985, a divorced spouse who meets all other requirements for entitlement will be able to receive Social Security Benefits

tuce and tomato salad, buttered corn, rolls, butter, honey and milk.

FRIDAY - Hot dogs, chili, cheese, french fries, peaches, ice cream and milk.

before and if the ex-spouse is at least 62 years old and has worked long enough to be insured for Social Security Benefits. A divorced spouse will no longer have to wait until his or her ex-spouse actually files for and receives Social Security in order to receive divorced spouse's benefits.

In order to meet the basic requirements for Divorced Spouse's Benefits, an individual must be at least 62 years of age, currently unmarried, and the marriage to the wage-earner must have lasted at least 10 years. In addition, the divorced spouse's benefit amount based on his or her own earnings must be less than the amount of the divorced spouse's benefit.

If you have any questions regarding Divorced Spouse's Benefits or any other Social Security matters, please call the local Social Security office at 698-1360.

## Governor Urges Cut In Teacher Paperwork

By Governor Mark White

AUSTIN—Enthusiasm is growing among educators for the new emphasis on academics and other educational reforms adopted by the Texas Legislature and implemented this fall in school districts across the state.

But while classroom teachers tell me they support the reform program, they express concern that increased paperwork is infringing on the time they can devote to teaching and preparing lessons.

The goal of House Bill 72 is to recapture the school day for academics, not for filling out forms.

How can any teacher be expected to do a quality job if he or she is not allowed the time to work with students? How can we expect teachers to meet students' needs during the work day and then spend their evenings completing forms or filling out excessive lesson plan requirements?

I have posed these questions in a letter mailed to the members of the newly appointed State Board of Education, asking the board and the Texas Education Agency to address this problem as soon as possible.

The education reform bill adopted this summer contains specific language instructing the board and TEA to make every effort to require no additional paperwork from local school districts, but instead to substitute

any new information needed for previous reporting requirements.

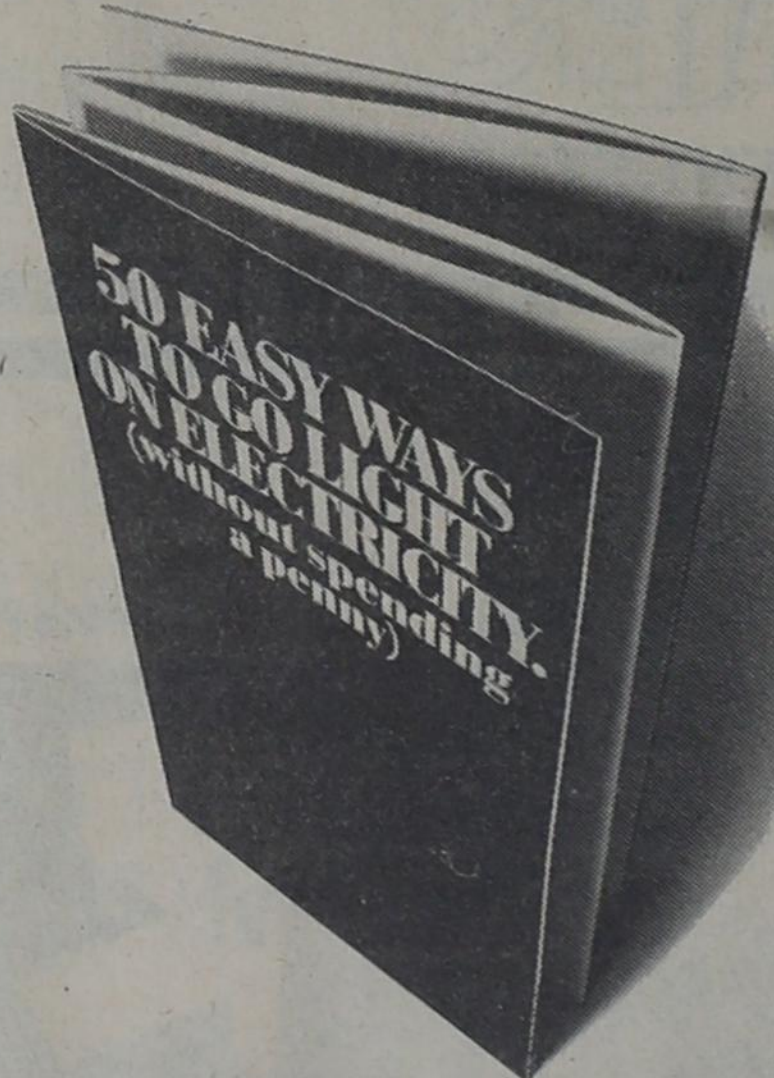
This same attention to the needs of school districts should also be paid to the needs of teachers. It is imperative that we alleviate the undue burden of excessive paperwork.

Any investigation of this problem inevitably leads to a review of House Bill 246 passed in 1981. That bill was an attempt to get curriculum writing out of the Legislature and into the hands of professional educators.

That law is quite short but the guidelines it generated are extensive. Even though comprehensive guidelines are necessary, it should not be necessary to require experienced and professionally trained teachers to fill out form after form to document the basic elements in their daily lessons. The essential elements should be documented in curriculum guides, not in daily lesson plans.

I know that the members of the State Board of Education share my concern, and I am confident that they will make it their top priority to resolve this legitimate complaint of teachers throughout Texas.

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