

First National Bank Ends Era: Citizens State Bank Begins

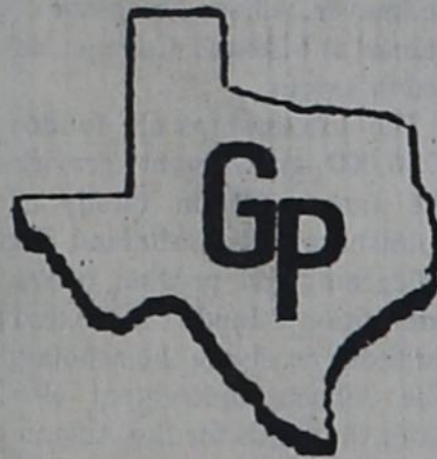
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There has been plenty of activity around here this past week and so far this week as most folks were very concerned about the bank closing and the possibility of losing the funds they had in accounts at the firm.

We have met with the new officials of the bank and look forward to our association with them.

With all the extra cars and folks in and around the bank, and all the folks coming in to see what was going on things were rather hectic for awhile.

Be sure and get your tickets for the upcoming Chamber Banquet on the 20th of March at which time the outstanding farmer and the community service award will be presented.

We have received "some" response to our inquiry about the peanut festival. However, it seems that folks are just not interested enough in the future of our town and area to be willing to give of the time and effort that an undertaking such as this would require.

The Sesquicentennial theme is planned for some of the events that are forthcoming this year. The theme will be used at the Chamber Banquet and also at the annual July 4th celebration.

Work is really continuing of the expansion project at The Peanut Corporation of America and the exterior portion of the expansion is pretty well complete.

We received a good shower the other day. Water seemed to be raining everywhere. Didn't get any precise measurements on rainfall, but what we got was really great and for it we are thankful.

And remember to smile... because God Loves You!

Joseph Swanner Seeks Democratic Nomination



Joseph B. (Joe) Swanner, former regional director for the Economic Development Administration, has announced he will seek the Democratic nomination for the Texas House of Representatives, District 65.

Swanner, a resident of Brownwood, said in his announcement "This district (which includes Brown, Coleman, Eastland, McCullough, Comanche and Runnel Counties) badly needs full-time representation in Austin and I am dedicated to that goal."

A former aid to Congressman O. C. Fisher, Swanner said he believes state government spending "can be cut, and we can do that without harming services now being rendered and without new taxes."

"I plan to spend all my time between now and election day going to the voters of this district and listening, so that I can become their voice in Austin."

"I am not a lawyer," Swanner said, "but with the experience I have in government I know how the system works, and I can 'hit the ground running.' I will always vote the way this district feels."

Swanner had been a management consultant since his retirement from the federal government. During his tenure as EDA administrator he was responsible for five states: Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas, Oklahoma, and New Mexico.

He holds a BBA degree from Howard Payne University, Brownwood, and Also a B.S. degree from the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy, Kings Point, N.Y.

He has received numerous citations, including the U.S. Department of Commerce Special Achievement Award and Departmental Management Award and Bonus in 1983. He also served on the board of trustees at Howard Payne.

He resides at 1801 Slayden Street, Brownwood.

COMMODITIES

Commodities for Gorman and Desdemona will be given out as follows:

Gorman, Wednesday, March 19, 1986 from 2-3:30 p.m. Any new ones to sign up for commodities may sign up from 3:15-3:30.

Desdemona, Thursday, March 20, 1986 from 3:45-4:15 p.m. Anyone wishing to sign up can call Brenda Walton at 758-2604.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Lois Robinson Center Director Multi-Purpose Ctr.

LOCAL NEWS

Visiting with Mrs. Pauline Dennis were Dr. and Mrs. Jack Bishop of Eastland and Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Currie of Stephenville.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Buckle of Winston, Oregon and her sister, Mrs. Doris Capers of Fort Worth, visited Mrs. Velma Bennett over the weekend.

FARMERS BANQUET APPROACHING

The Farmer's Banquet is fast approaching, in fact only two weeks away. Have you made plans to attend? If not, make plans and get your tickets today.

The Banquet is Thursday, March 20, 1986 at 7:00 p.m. in the school gym, in case you may have forgotten. The speaker is George Brazell of Desdemona, Tx. and the meal will be catered by Oscar's Barbeque of Cisco, Tx.

Mr. Brazell is a Professor of Psychology and Sociology and Cisco Junior College. He has spoke at many banquets and conventions and also has had many honors bestowed upon him.

Also, Oscar's Barbeque will serve a very delicious meal.

These are given each year to deserving individuals in our community.

Tickets are available from the following: Foster Floral or Gene Foster Gorman Progress or Joe Bennett

- Gorman Pharmacy, Lasater's Dept. Store or Brent Lasater, Brown's Feed Store, Henderson's Quickway & Deli, Citizen's State Bank or Kay Henry Sunbelt Savings, Birdsong Peanuts, A.O. Easley Trucks or Tommy Harrison, Clark Construction or Tommy Clark, Fred Rogers, Brenda Hirst

Gospel Meeting

The Church of Christ has planned a "Gospel Meeting" for March 23-26. Milton Caraway (formerly of DeLeon, Tx.) will be the speaker.

Services will be at 7:00 p.m. each evening.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

On Tuesday, March 18th at 7:00 p.m. at the Eastland Fire Department. Representative Daniel Martin of National Weather Service will put on a Weather Watch School for any interested party in Eastland County. Everyone is urged to attend.

The Gorman PTO is collecting recipes for a new PTO Cookbook. If you have any recipes you would like used in the cookbook, please turn them in to Frances Warren, Rt. 1 - Box 60, Gorman, or at Gorman East End Co-op.

The Volunteer Club of De Leon will have a Dance at the City Hall, Friday, March 9th from 7:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Music by Jack Boen, Dale Cox and Jr. Trice. Everybody Welcome.

SENIOR CLASS TO HOLD TALENT SHOW, Friday, March 21st at the High School Auditorium. Anyone interested please call Ida Chandler at 734-2782.

There will be a DONKEY BASKETBALL GAME sponsored by the Gorman PTO on March 10, 1986, at 7:00 p.m. at the gymnasium.

Gorman School Tax Office and Superintendent Office now located in new Elementary Bldg. New phone number is 734-3171.

Need A Ride? First Baptist Church Van runs at 9:30 a.m. for Sunday School and 5:45 p.m. for Sunday Evening Services. Call the Church at 734-2420. Everyone Welcome.

South Eastland County Hospital District Tax Office at Blackwell Hospital is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:00 a.m. til noon and from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

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

Gorman Housing Authority Board will meet the Second Tuesday of each month at 2:00 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.

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

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

Terry Clark Files For School Board

Terry Clark as filed as candidate for the Gorman ISD Board of Directors.

There are four places to be filled.

Others candidates who have field are Dale Curb, Windell Treadway and Larry Campbell.

Services Slated Thursday For Frances Leazar

Funeral services for Mrs. Frank (Frances) Leazar are slated for 10 a. m. today, Thursday, at Higginbotham Funeral Home with Rev. Rawlyn Richter officiating, with burial in the Oaklawn Cemetery in Gorman.

Mrs. Leazar died at 5:45 a. m. Wednesday, March 5th.

A complete obituary will be published in next weeks issue.

Glenda J. Hise Laid To Rest Monday

Glenda J. Hise, 45, died Saturday at a local hospital after a short illness.

Services were at 3 p.m. Monday at Murray Memorial Cemetery near Gorman with Marvin Andrews officiating, under direction of Nowlin Funeral Home.

A Gorman native, she was a licensed vocational nurse and a homemaker. She was the widow of R.L. Hise.

She is survived by a daughter, Linda Hise of DeLeon; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Powell of DeLeon, and a grand-daughter.

Visiting Mrs. Gladys Dennis and R. C. Snider over the weekend were Rev. and Mrs. J. B. Hamilton of Garland and Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Frasier of Loop.

The First National Bank of Gorman ended an era on Thursday, February 27, 1986 which had begun on September 24, 1904 when the bank received its charter. Until the insolvency was declared on Thursday the First National Bank was the oldest bank in Eastland County, surviving the crash during the great depression. These 81 years of operation have passed with little fanfare as the bank had served the needs of the community and area for all those years with solid banking duties that upheld the highest goals of the bank founders.

But on Thursday, February 6th, the Federal authorities closed the First National Bank, stating it was insolvent.

The bank was sold to a newly formed Fort Worth holding company and re-opened on Friday, February 7th as Citizens State Bank, thus beginning a new era of banking in Gorman. All 2700 deposit accounts automatically were transferred to the new bank, according to federal officials. Michael Patriarca, deputy comptroller of the currency, was present when the bank doors were closed at 2 p. m. First National Bank had been in serious trouble for the past three years, according to federal officials. The cause of the bank failure was said to be a substantial deterioration of the quality of the bank's loan portfolio and its inability to remedy the situation over the past three years. The losses finally exhausted the capital funds of the bank.

On Friday morning, the 7th, fairly good sized crowds were coming into the bank to see what was going on, according to interim president Doyle C. Dale. He stated that they were coming in mainly to see if their checks with First National printed on them are still good, and they are.

Mid-Texas Bancshares, Inc. of Fort Worth were awarded the bank. FDIC sold the bank and a portion of its total \$13.7 million in assets to Mid-Texas for \$60,500. Officials of FDIC said the agency has advanced

Oscar Howard Laid To Rest On Wednesday

Oscar Howard, 81, a retired welder, died Monday, March 3, in the Blackwell Hospital following a sudden illness.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 p. m. Wednesday at Higginbotham Funeral Home with Rev. Marion Dennis officiating, assisted by the Rev. John Duthitt, Jr. Burial was in the Gorman Cemetery.

A Greenville, Ill. native, he was a Methodist.

Survivors include his wife, Dorothy Howard of Gorman; a daughter, Lenora Nell Kinder of Agra, Okla.; two sons, Vernon O. Zink of Tyson, Okla., and Harold J. Zink of Gorman; two step-daughters, Nora Swanson of Duncan, Okla., and Helen Smith of Comanche, Okla.; three stepsons, Van Owens, Henry Owens and Johnny Owens, all of Duncan, Okla.; a sister, Jewel Reedy of Chandler, Okla.; 18 grandchildren 10 great-grandchildren; four step-grandchildren; and two step-great-grandchildren.

CARD OF THANKS The family of Katie Thurman would like to share our appreciation for the love and kindness shown us during the loss of our loved one. A special thanks to Dr. L. and Dr. N., Blackwell Hospital, all the nurses, and Canterbury Villa for their patience, love and care.

Mrs. Charlotte O'Neal Observes 94th Birthday February 26



Mrs. Charlotte O'Neal observed her 94th birthday on February 26, 1986 at Canterbury Villa.

Charlotte was born in Breckenridge on February 26, 1892, she is the oldest of eight children. She is the only one still living.

She moved to Kokomo on January 30, 1941 with her husband the late W. A. (Bill) O'Neal.

She has five children, Nancy Hendricks and Joe O'Neal of Gorman, Don O'Neal of Houston, Fannie Bell Hoy of Plano and Lessie Stone of Fort Worth.

Mrs. O'Neal has been residing at Canterbury Villa since April 1983.

the bank \$7.9 million and retained \$8.1 million of its assets. It also assumed \$3.7 million in First National's bad loans. First National had approximately \$12 million in outstanding loans.

John Vella, closing supervisor for the FDIC Dallas Office, said the normal procedure in such transactions is for the new officers and directors of the bank to review all outstanding loans. Vella has opened up an office in Gorman for the next month to "take care of the problem-loan customers".

The new officers of the Citizens State Bank are A. G. Cummings of Lometa, Chairman of the Board; Doyle C. Dale of Fort Worth, president and chief executive officer; Terry D. Jones of Fort Worth, senior vice president; Butch Crudgington of Cisco, vice president; Shirley Eaves of Gorman, vice president; and Peggy Singleton of Gorman, cashier.

Cummings also has interests in the 2 month-old Fort Worth State Bank and the Citizens State Bank of Lometa. Dale also serves as president of the Fort Worth bank. Emmanuel Owusu is vice president and cashier at the bank. These three are on the board of directors, along with Copperas Cove residents Weldon Whittis and Jimmy Clark.

The board of directors and officials of the bank assure depositors and folks of Gorman and the area that they are insured under FDIC and that they will do everything in their power to give the people of this area the finest banking services available and urge everyone to come in and get acquainted with them.

The bank has also set up new operating hours for the bank and will be open from 9 a. m. to 3 p. m. Monday through Thursday, and from 9 a. m. to 3 p. m. and from 4 to 6 p. m. on Fridays. This will give folks more time to transact their business with the bank.

Officials of the bank state that they are looking forward to serving the banking needs of the community and area with great anticipation over the years to come.

Army Spec. 4 Jerry Millican Participated In CFC Exercise

Army Spec. 4 Jerry G. Millican, son of Carolyn S. Millican of 505 S. Marsh, Eastland, Texas, and grandson of V.O. Huff of Gorman, Texas, has participated in Team Spirit '86, a Republic of Korea/United States Combined Forces Command sponsored exercise held in South Korea.

Team Spirit '86 was the eleventh in an annual series of combined/joint field training exercises staged to increase the defensive posture of Republic of Korea and U.S. combat and support forces.

The exercise involved forces stationed in South Korea, as well as U.S. forces from other locations within the Pacific Command and the continental United States.

Millican is a grenadier with the 14th Infantry at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii.

He is a 1983 graduate of Eastland High School.

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SAVE ON CARPET: Buy at wholesale plus 10% and freight. Cash - no stamps. W. H. Smith Department Store, De Leon. 5-26-FNC.
R&R CARPET CLEANING FREE ESTIMATE Randall Rogers Office 629-1121 Home 647-1211 1-6-FNC.

SCULPTURED NAILS OR NAIL TIPS: For information or appointment call Jana Morris at Geneva's Beauty Shop in De Leon, 893-2706 or 893-2564. 2-20-FNC.
SALESPERSON WANTED: We need a hard-working person to sell our Goodyear roof products. Write Ed Mahon, Consolidated Companies, 1801 East 9th Street, Cleveland, Ohio 44114. 3-3-13 C.
FOR SALE: 3 BRM. house, 2 baths, covered carport. Cement patio. Fenced back yard, built in range and oven, dishwasher lots of closets. Corner lot. Peggy Sutton, 734-2545. 3-3-6 P.
FOR SALE: Hip waders with suspenders. Nearly new. Shoe size 7 - 10 - 11. Call 734-2049. 3-3-13 P.
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FOR SALE: 1980 Pontiac Phoenix Hatchback - Good school car - runs good - anxious to sell. Call 734-2964 after 5:00 p.m. 2-20-FNC.
FOR SALE: 14x72 ft. Mobile Home - Extra insulation and storm windows. Call 893-6161 after 5 p.m. 1-2-fnc

Child Care - Monday thru Friday - Drop-ins Welcome - Near School - Joy Campbell - Call 734-2121 4-3-13 C
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County Treasurer: BETTY CROSS RITA REID BYRD RUTH PUGLIESE
County Commissioner: Precinct No. 2: PAT MOSELEY

CARBON NEWS

Phone 639-2517 By Mrs. Velma Hastings

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Philan and three children of Odessa visited Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Jackson part of last week.
Henry Rice and daughter Mrs. Dora Faye Simmons, Cisco, visited Mrs. Mabel Green and other friends here Sunday afternoon.
Travis Spencer of near Denton was visiting friends here during the weekend.
YARD SALE: Thursday - Friday and Saturday. Furniture, clothes and miscellaneous. On Desdemona Highway next door to Odie Brightwell. 1tp
FOR SALE: HALF PRICE! Flashing arrow signs \$289! Lighted, non-arrow \$269! Nonlighted \$219! Free letters! Only few left. See locally. 1-817-423-0163, anytime. 1-3-6 P.
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JOURNALISM SCHOLARSHIPS MIDLAND COLLEGE High school seniors in West Texas are invited to apply for journalism scholarships at Midland College for the 1986-87 school term, Ralph L. Sellmeyer, Allison Professor of Journalism at Midland College, announced this week.
The scholarships are funded by a \$750,000 endowment provided by the James Allison family, former publishers of the Midland Reporter Telegram, and provide books, fees and tuition valued at more than \$600 for those receiving the scholarships. The Allison endowment also provides the funds for the Allison Chair of Journalism, the only such endowed journalism chair in a community college in the U.S.
Students from a number of west Texas Communities have studied journalism at Midland college, Sellmeyer said, and he noted that in the past such cities as Haskell, Kermit, Pecos, Crane, Odessa, Midland and Tulsa have been represented.
"We are interested in getting applications by June 1 from students all over the state, but particularly West Texas," the Midland College and former Texas Tech journalism director said.
Ample housing is available in the city, Sellmeyer noted, and for those students living away from Midland, the college will assist in finding suitable living quarters.
Interested students should write to: Ralph L. Sellmeyer, Allison Professor of Journalism, Midland College, 3600 North Garfield, Midland Texas 79705. Those who desire additional college financial aid should also write Bill Burns, director of financial aids, at the college.

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Senator Bob Glasgow (D-Stepenville) stated today that he would like to make all of his constituents aware that the Texas Legislature, as well as certain other State agencies, is obtaining a new telephone system. "In view of this," stated Senator Glasgow, "I would like to advise my constituents of the current mailing address and telephone numbers of each of my offices.
SENATE CAPITOL OFFICE
Senator Bob Glasgow
P.O. Box 12068, Captiol Station
Austin, Texas 78711
telephone: 512/463-0122
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Senator Bob Glasgow
6410 Southwest Blvd., Suite 107
Fort Worth, Texas 76109
telephone: 817/763-0259
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512/463-0001.
Gib Lewis, Speaker of the House
512/463-1000.
REPRESENTATIVE SENATORIAL DIST. 22
Jim Parker 512/463-0644.

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NOTICE TO CITIZENS STATE BANK DEPOSITORS

The Citizens State Bank of Gorman has assumed all deposit liability, pursuant to agreement approved by the court, The First National Bank of Gorman which was closed on February 27, 1986, by the Comptroller of Currency.

Depositors are encouraged to continue to use their original checks and deposit slips.

The officers of Citizens State Bank are:

- A. G. Cummings (Lometa, Tx) - Chairman of Board
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CITY CHIT CHAT

By Mayor Charlie L. Garrett

As most of you know, the City mails out letters on the needs of the Cemetery. Those letters will be in the mail in a few days.

I wish it were possible to operate the Cemetery without asking for funds, but this is impossible with costs as they are at the present time.

Last year, we let the upkeep out on bids. We are taking bids again this year for it's upkeep. Bids will be opened at the Commission meeting Thursday evening. The bid price is for total upkeep of the Cemetery. I am hoping that bids will not be high as they were last year, but I won't know until they are opened Thursday.

It will be the intent of the Commission to award the bid to the lowest bidder, if terms of upkeep are agreed upon. You can rest assured

that we will do what we think best for the proper keeping of the grounds.

I want to thank all of you who have helped in the past by your gifts to this worthy cause. I hope that you will give this your consideration and if possible support it with your gift.

As you know from the Gorman Progress, Lone Star Gas Co. is asking for a rate increase of about 3 percent. We had this on the last agenda and will be discussing it at the meeting this Thursday evening at 6:00 P.M. This, like all meeting,

is open to the public. If any of you would like to attend, you are welcome as always. If the Commission fails to approve the new rate, the Company can appeal to the Railroad Commission and bond in the rate until it is acted upon by the Railroad Commission. If the Commission should grant the appeal, all costs of such an appeal will be added to the amount now requested. We will weigh this matter and try to do what we think is best for the gas consumers in Gorman.

I am glad to see as many of you have who were interested in local government to file for a place on the ballot for the City election. This is the way that democracy works. Give the people a choice and let them decide with their vote.

Canterbury Villa Volunteers Honored



Front row - l to r - Lucretia Fairbetter, Milton Fairbetter, Ava Rodgers, Mozelle Rhymes; back row l to r - Willo Rice, Juanita Fuller, Bernice Rodgers, Ron Carol, Nancy Hendricks and Irene West, not in the picture was Velma Bennett.

Thursday, February 27 at 2:30 the Volunteers for Canterbury Villa were honored by being presented with their Volunteers Certificate of Appreciation.

Canterbury Villa is very fortunate to have a group of volunteers such as these Milton Fairbetter, Willo Rice, Juanita Fuller, Ron Carol, Nancy Hendricks, Irene West, Bernice Rodgers, Ava Rodgers, Mozelle Rhymes, Velma Bennett, Lucretia Fairbetter and Joe Bennett.

Those volunteers that were not present are appreciated just as much, and because of their love for other people, have made our residents here at Canterbury Villa very happy.

The Staff and employees are proud of the Services given by the Churches, organizations and individuals of Gorman and also for the Gorman Progress for being so kind as to let you know of our activities here at Canterbury Villa.

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'Button' Sharp Services Held Tuesday

Carlton "Button" Sharp, 49, of Rotan died at his home Saturday after a brief illness.

Services were at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Weathersbee Funeral Chapel, with the Rev. L.D. Parks, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, officiating.

Burial was in Rotan Cemetery. Born in Gorman, he was a farm laborer.

Survivors include a son, Ronald Edward Sharp of Rotan; three daughters, Tammy Lynn Ortiz, Pamela Ann Hoyle and Sandra Denise Daniel, all of Rotan; his mother, Ida Pearl Sharp of Rotan; two brothers, J.D. of Rotan and Dalton of Roby; two sisters, Delma Campbell of Anson and Irene Hallmark of Gorman; and seven grandchildren.

MICROPLEX PHOTO CLUB LAYS DOWN PLANS FOR THE YEAR

Microplex phot Club met Jan. 12 in the home of Neal and Mildred Raney.

Plans were made for the coming year:

1. Have workshop as part of each meeting to help members take more professional pictures and learn more about their cameras.

2. Each Member will bring their favorite picture to the meeting to be voted as best of month. Then at the end of the year we will make a calander.

3. Membership fee are \$10 for individual, \$15 for family.

4. Plans for April Show were finalized with the following; Categories of Color and Black and White

ARMY AND AIR FORCE HOMETOWN NEWS

Army Capt. Danny L. Meador, son of Dena C. Meador of 602 Rusk St., DeLeon, Texas, and brother of James B. Meador of Matador, Texas, was involved in a NATO-sponsored exercise by participating in the Army's return of forces to Germany (REFORGER) and the Air

- 8X10 Adults 1. Children 2. Animals
- 3. Science Landscapes. 4. Reflections 5. Creative 6. Flowers
- 7. Open Slides-open.

Anyone interest in joining the club orienting the April Show may call Mildred Raney - 629-2798, or Betty Cross - 629-2878.

Force's Crested Cap exercises.

The exercises are designed to develop uniformity of doctrine, standardize procedures for rapid response to a crisis and demonstrate solidarity in commitment to NATO goals and objectives.

Meador is an intelligence officer with the 3rd Field Artillery in West Germany.

His wife, Mickey, is the daughter of Mickey D. Mowrey of Cherokee, Kan.

He is a 1979 graduate of Texas A&M University, College Station.

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KOKOMO NEWS

Phone 639-2289

By Mrs. Zelda Jordan

The community received about one half inch of rain on Monday morning. A nice gentle rain is always welcome.

Gary Gatlin of Stephenville visited on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Browning, Donna and Gary and attended church services at the Kokomo Baptist Church.

Mrs. Verna Laminack of Lake Jackson visited with Mr. and Mrs. D.F. Eaves and Mr. and Mrs. Neil Eaves of Mangum and Mack Eaves at Eastland Manor Nursing Home last week while here for the funeral of a brother-in-law, Mr. Aubrey Wynn of Ranger.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Graham and Mr. and Mrs. Randy Graham of McAlester, Okla. were in Cisco for the funeral of Mrs. Bill Graham's brother, Bobby Johnson on Saturday and also visited with Mr. and Mrs. D.F. Eaves. The Eaveses also attended Mr. Johnson's funeral. The Bill Grahams have remained here for an extended visit.

We extend sincere sympathy to these families who have lost loved ones.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Fields and Lindell spent the weekend in Bryan with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fields, Michael, Caylea and Leisa.

Sheron Graham and her daughter, Brandi White of Lake Brownwood visited with Zelda Jordan on Saturday afternoon.

We welcome Jeff and Veronica

Seaton to our community. They moved to the Seaton Farm (known in the community as the J.C. Caraway place on Saturday.

Mrs. Billie Stacy of Carbon visited with Mrs. Berneice Rodgers on Sunday afternoon.

We extend sincere sympathy to Mr. Bill Joiner and family. Funeral services for his brother, S.Y. (Bally) Joiner was held in Sundown on Monday.

A belated Happy Birthday to Mrs. W. A. O'Neal who celebrated her 94th birthday on Feb. 26. Mrs. O'Neal, a former resident of Kokomo now resides at the Caterbury Villa in Gorman. A daughter, Nancy Hendricks, was at the home on the nursing home to help Mrs. O'Neal celebrate.

Mr. and Mrs. David Joiner of Denver, Colo., who are moving to Ankorage, Alaska this week, their daughter, Neva Joiner and her fiancé Brad Litke of ACU in Abilene, Lucille Joiner and Joyce Bramlett and Sharla of Stephenville, Billie Jean Grisham and Kathy and Shanna Skaggs of DeLeon, Howard, Barbara and Julie Joiner of Arlington, Ennis Joiner of Gorman and his son, Steve Joiner and children, David and Mary Beth of Abilene and Diana Glover of Gorman visited during the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Joiner. Mr. and Mrs. Ennis Joiner have just moved back to Gorman from Gallup N.M.

Our family received some sad

DESDEMONA NEWS

Phone 758-2665

By Mrs. Vonnie Guthery

Elbert and Abbie Lindley; Roy and Violet Watson of Desdemona visited with Ruby Ash Dillard of DeLeon on Saturday evening. To help celebrate her 80th birthday.

Billy Paul and Doris Lewis of Cross Plains; Leo Lewis and wife of DeLeon; Harlan and Judy Lewis; Skinnie and Eloise Lewis; Clyde and Sylvia Hodges; Elbert and Abbie Lindley, Joyce Underwood and Elva Lewis all of Desdemona enjoyed a "family supper" in the home of their sister, Glyn and Alpha Thiebaud.

"Congratulations" to John and Kathy Buckley on the arrival of a new baby daughter, Farris Jennifer, born Wednesday, Feb. 26th in Stephenville Hospital. Grandparents are Jerry and Pat Buckley of Desdemona and Eva Woody of Rising Star.

Harold and Melinda Hall hosted the 30th wedding anniversary dinner of her parents, Jerry and Pat Buckley last Sunday. Others attending were David, Cindy, Daya and Cassie Abbey of DeLeon, John, Kathy, and Farris Buckley, Jeff Buckley, Billye Faye Koonce all of Desdemona and Angela Burgess of Gorman.

Carson and Oma Lee Holdridge of Cisco visited Monday with Bernard and Ann Keith and Pug and Koone Guthery.

Virgil and Winona Moen visited Monday evening with Pug and Koone Guthery.

Our sincere sympathy goes out to the family of Mr. Jodie Penn, who

news on Monday night when a neice's husband, Joe Crutcher of Lubbock passed away at the Eastland Memorial Hospital of a heart attack. He was in Eastland on business. Services are pending with a funeral home in Lubbock. His wife, Audree is the daughter of my sister, Laverne and Jess Winn of Muleshoe.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Jordan, of Flatwood, Mr. and Mrs. Enoch Cook of New Hope, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bennett of Eastland, Mrs. Deana Anderson and Neal of Big Spring, Mrs. Tim Fails, Cody and Jarad and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Little were visitors with Mrs. Dora Garrett during the past weekend.

passed away Saturday.

Our thought for today. Forgiveness is a funny thing—it warms the heart and cools the sting.

Jessie Edinburgh Final Rites Held

Jessie Myrtle Edinburgh, 88, nurse, died Friday at a DeLeon Hospital.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Sunday at Comanche Funeral Home. Burial was in Siloam Cemetery near Comanche with the Rev. Calvin Gray officiating.

A Comanche County native, she was the widow of Martin Luther Edinburgh. She was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include two sons, Roy of DeLeon and Ray of Oklahoma City; a daughter, Maxine Poynor of Gorman; a sister, Eula Davis of Granbury; six grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.



Napoleon had conquered Italy by the time he was twenty-six.

SCHOOL HILL NEWS

Phone 758-2537

By Mrs. Oma Lee Ridell

Patsy Moon and I decided to get rid of a big problem the other day, but from daylight on everything went from bad to worse. I took a wrong step and after being on pins and needles, I ended up in three hospitals. The last one being in Ft. Worth. When we do something we do it up big. I've been at the mercy of Leslie and Tim for several days. They turned out to be the greatest nurses, and Jane, Kate, Luke and Tena hauled me around everywhere for doctor appointments. Martha Sitton, Mike Hurst, Clara Mayfield all of Stephenville, Jeane, We'll and Niki Grimshaw, Tena and Jimmy Dennington of DeLeon all visited with me.

William and I were trying to help a crazy old cow one day. We put her in the chute to do the dastradly deed. She went plum nuts and got her big hung in the boards of the chute. William said, "We'd better get her out before the old fool kills herself."

There's only one thing wrong with that thinking—She didn't want to get out. William was cussing, and hoping that she wouldn't break her leg, but I went over his head and prayed that she'd drop dead. William was down on her back doing all sorts of things and he told me to trust her tail which I did so much that when I stopped, I spun around like a top.

William then told me to put a sack

over her head. I always thought you did that when the barn was on fire, anyway she finally came out of the chute doing about fifty with William on her back clutching at her neck. He's a real jockey.

You've never seen anything so funny as that old cow running around with a feed sack on her head and him hanging on to her back. By now, he was praying too. He didn't want to stay on, but he sure didn't want to get off. He finally made a leap, landed on his knees; crawling. He went under the fence and was halfway up the mountain before I could stop him.

I don't know when you get too old to play cowboy, but I think we're about there.

All we wanted to do in the first place was relieve her pain from an overload of milk. William roped her, tied one end of her to one side of the gate then roped and pulled the other end of her to the other side of the place where the gate was but wasn't no more. He tied her to the gate post and pulled. She rolled over on her back. William tied her then proceeded to milk her. Did you ever milk a cow upside down? That's not the best way I guess but it sure beats the regular way all to pieces.

Before it was over we had twelve cats around with their mouths open enjoying lunch.

At least they were happy.



RED HOTS DO WELL IN COMPETITION — The Gorman Red Hots placed well at the meet held at Ranger Junior College on February 22.

Those participating in the meet were: Mary Campbell, 4th - 2A; Kim Campbell, 4th - 1B; Heather Carr, 4th - 2B not pictured; Cari Daniels, 3rd - 1B; Michelyn Eaves, 2nd - 1A; Jennifer Eaves, 5th - 1B; Kirk Ervin, 2nd - 1B not pictured; Kristen Ervin, 2nd - 2B; Joy Evans, 4th - 2A; Ginger George, 5th - 2B not pictured; Barbara Gibbs, 3rd - 2A; Kaycee Gilmore, 2nd - 2B; Diana Glover, 1st - 1B; Janice Glover, 1st - 1B; Tonya Grimshaw, 5th - 2A not pictured; Rachel Harper, 2nd - 1B; Robert Lewis, 4th - 1B not pictured; Treasure Mailloux, 4th - 1B not pictured; Ashley Rich, 3rd - 1A; Kevin Scitern, 5th - 1B; Keri Scitern, 3rd - 2A; Lacy Sharp, 3rd - 1B; Belinda Snider, 3rd - 1B; Samantha Stephens, 3rd - 1B; Jennifer Torrez, 5th - 1B; Mandy Wilcoxson, 4th - 2B.

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We invite all to these Special Service to hear the Word of God. The Bible has the answers to your questions and the solution for your need.

Canterbury Villa News



"The Joy Makers Band" of Comanche

The residents having February birthdays were honored Thursday February 27, 2:00 p.m. with a birthday party. We had all kinds of cakes, cookies, punch and candies with cold diet drinks served by the Kokomo Extension Homemakers Club and other volunteers. Velma Bennett made the diet cake. The "Joy Makers Band" of Comanche came and rendered many beautiful numbers.

The honorees were Annie Hale, Charlotte O'Neal, Nancy Holloway, Elizabeth Williams and Stella Johnson. They were given Corsages and Hand Lotion from the home and Church of Christ.

Band members were Aliee Lee, Lewis Tabor, Mamie Carlton, Ozella King, Momie Hedgepath, Ray Mitchell, Marie Mitchell, Pa Cox, Winnie Irlin, Esta Parish, Iris Carter, Opal Starr, Chester Carter, Faye Starr, Inez McMillon, Aris Massey and Inez Gains.

Joe Bennett came and made pictures. We really appreciated this.

We were happy to have the Carbon Baptist Church bring worship services Sunday. Those coming was Rev. and Mrs. Sherl Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Hogan, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Tucker, Ike Whitson, Mr. and Mrs. James Thackerson, Mr. and Mrs. Euell Allison of Carbon and an guest Nancy Halbrick of Denton.

On Tuesday we took three residents downtown to the Senior Citizens luncheon. They were lola Johnson, Alice Burleson and Grace Skiles.

At 4:00 p.m. on Sunday it was a pleasure to have the Gorman Church of Christ come. Those attending were Bro. and Mrs. Curtis Maness, T. A. Grice, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Files, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Smithey, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rodgers, Cula Palmer, Georgie Stacey, Jonda Taylor, Dora Faye Brewer, Perna Faye Smith, Lorene Foster, Myrtice Rodgers, Sythia Aldridge, Virgie Brown, Merle Pruitt and Allie Mae George.

On Monday M. L. Skiles and Irene West came for Bingo. Winners were Game 1: Emma Gregg; Game 2: Jessie Lemley; Game 3: Alice Burleson; Having the Blackout Card was Charlotte O'Neal.

Wednesday Hazle Smith and Gladys Chambless came. Game 1 winner was Lonzo Coffman; Game 2 - Grace Skiles; Game 3 -Charlotte O'Neal. Grace Skiles had the blackout card.

Friday Irene West, M. L. Skiles, Nancy Henricks and Sylvia Buchanon of Clyde all helped. Game 1 - Jess Roberts; Game 2 -Lonzo Coffman; Game 3 - Emma Gregg; Jessie Lemley had the Blackout Card.

Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. Mrs Dorothy Reynolds came and sang for us. She has such a beautiful voice.

Rev. Ron Carrol of the First Baptist Church brought the Wednesday afternoon devotional.

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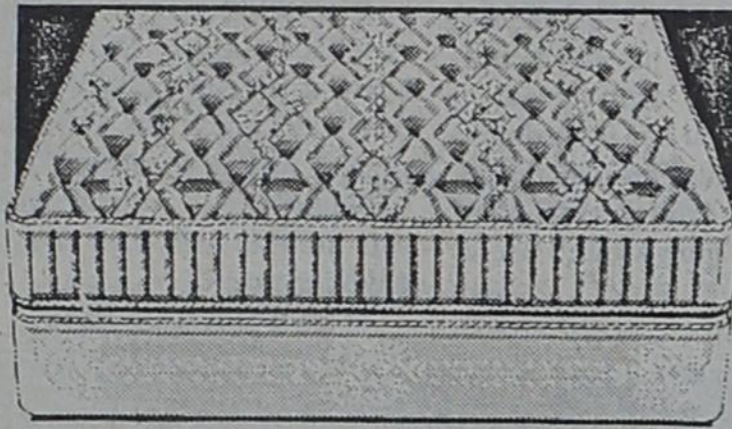
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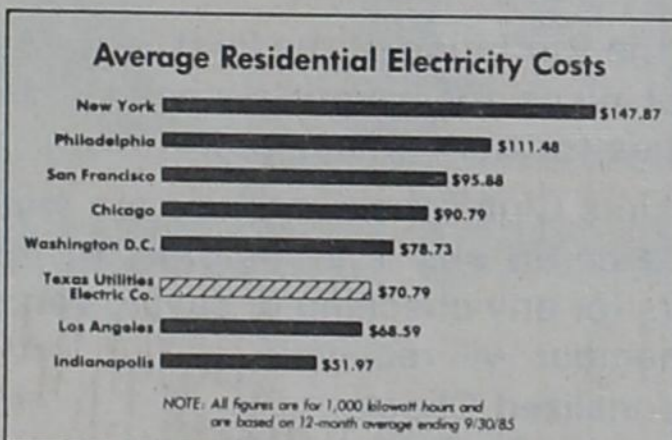
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