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Press Points

Joe Bennett, Publisher

The weatherman is still giving us a fit around here. One minute the weather will be cold . . . and the next thing you know you are hit with that old cold wind. Just wish we could get some of that good old w-e-t weather. We did get a little moisture the other day, but it doesn't last very long if the winds pick up.

We have turned an order in for some good soaking rain, then a real good "chunk floater" to fill all those stock tanks that are getting so dangerously low. Ask the Good Lord for some help with the rain in your next quiet time with him.

Received the following note from Oma Lee Riddell the other day:

Joe, say thanks to the people that have expressed enjoying the School Hill News.

I have been feeling good this week.

William has been giving me some trouble. He walked upon an amateur astronomer one night while he had his telescope trained on a shooting star. William said, "Gosh! You sure are a crack shot."

He told a waiter one night, "This soup isn't fit for a pig." The waiter said, "I'll take it back and bring you some that is."

William has been such a grouch that he made the dog sick. He told the dog to go in the house and don't go in the house. The dog sat with his legs crossed for two days, then jumped in the air and tried to go before he hit the floor. He finally gave up and just sits in the corner looking ashamed.

William and I weren't speaking. When we went to bed, he pinned a note to my pillow. It read, "Wake me at 7 a. m." He woke me at nine o'clock and was mad when he found a note by the other one. This one said, "It's seven!"

When I first met William I asked him how long he'd been working where he was employed. He said, "Ever since the boss threatened to fire me if I didn't."

He said he'd like to see me in something long and flowing - - the river.

We were in the lake when I told him, "A big crab just bit my toe off." William said, "Which one?" I said, "Well how would I know? All crabs look alike to me."

See you later,
Oma Lee
Glad to hear you're doing better Oma Lee. Hope all goes well with you.

Plans are coming along for the Big Lions Clubs Benefit Basketball Games featuring the Lions and Faculty taking on the Outsiders, and then the "Girls" will get one of those "Grudge" match games together and have a real battle royal.

Of course the Lions Club will be selling those great "Lion Burgers" and during the games.

Also, if everything works out the Lions hope to have a performance by The Gorman Red Hots during the break between games.

So all in all the big night - Tuesday, February 14th - looks like it will be a fantastic, fun night for everyone - - and a must event for all to see. All proceeds will go to the fund to help buy animals of the Gorman students in the county livestock show in March, and also for the annual payment of the Lions Club on the Tennis Court Fund. So make plans now to come on out and have a ball!

More and more folks are talking about the possibility of getting a TDC prison unit located in Eastland County, and most all of the folks are ready for the County Economic Development Council to do their very best to secure a unit for our county. If we do get it (and that's the only way the committees are thinking now) it will mean a great boost to the economy of our county, as it would be the largest payroll in the county. And folks, let's face it, we need all

Eastland Co. Economic Development Council Continues Process to Secure Prison Unit

The Eastland County Economic Development Council, recently organized to help the economically depressed Eastland County area to secure growth and employment possibilities in the county, has organized and is continuing to meet regularly to discuss the progress made thus far.

The council has met several times recently in the different cities of the county and the meetings have been filled with enthusiasm and an outstanding desire by all the members of the group on the possibility of securing a Texas Department of Corrections prison unit for this county. The plan is to secure a 2250 inmate unit, which would be located preferably at a central location in the county. The group is now in the process of gathering data and information required by the TDC for a presentation to secure this county as a site for one of the units.

The meeting of ECEDC held on Wednesday, January 11th at the Citizens State Bank meeting room in Gorman was presided over by the recently-elected President, Don Shepard of Cisco. Mr. Shepard is the manager of the Cisco Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Shepard presented a list of the officers and committees that have been approved by the group. Other officers include Gene Foster, florist from Gorman and president of the Gorman Chamber of Commerce, as Vice President; and Mary Wells with Olney Savings in Ranger, Secretary and Treasurer.

The committees named were: Publicity/Public Relations: John Berry of Eastland as chairman; H. V. O'Brien of Eastland County Newspapers; and Joe Bennett of Gorman, publisher of The Gorman Progress; Emmett Lasater, Kenneth Halford and Emma Watts.

The Political Action Committee consists of Dick Woolley of Cisco as chairman; Jim Keefer of Eastland; Roger Schuster of Cisco; Gloria Turner of Cisco; Mike Siebert, and Scott Bailey of Eastland.

The Finance Committee is composed of all five bank presidents in the county, Grover Hallmark of Eastland National; John May of Citizens State in Gorman; Tom Dunn of First State in Ranger; Dick Woolley of First National in Cisco; Pat Byrum of First State Bank of Rising Star; and Mary Wells of Ranger.

The Legal Committee is composed of Bill Wright of Cisco and Steve Herrod of Ranger.

As has been previously announced, Dr. Charles Barnes of Rising Star has been secured as Council Coordinator of the project to secure the prison unit. The office of the Eastland County Economic Development Council is located in Cisco. The phone number is 442-3413 and the Box number is 568. A full time office secretary has been hired. Anyone interested in securing information on the project or needing a speaker to give details of the prison unit should contact Dr. Barnes at the office.

Members of the Executive Board include: Dick Woolley, Mike Moore and Don Shepard of Cisco; Dub Hoffman, John Berry and Grover Hallmark of Eastland; Brent Lasater, John May and Joe Bennett of Gorman; Tom Dunn, Bill Walton and Mary Wells of Ranger; Pat Byrum and David Harris of Rising Star; and Royce McGaha and Dale Walker, representing Carbon.

The Site Committee has also been selected, but their names are not being published at this time. Their names will be published at an appropriate time.

The site committee is functioning at the present time locating the different areas of the county which would be appropriate as far as geological, elevation, water, electricity, utilities, and other specifications that are set by the TDC. This committee has a very large responsibility and will come up with a site

the help we can get to get things turned around for our area.

So, if one of the Executive Board Members or a member of any of the committees ask you to help out on anything, be ready to pitch in and "Give Eastland County A Boost!"

—J—
And remember to smile - - because God Loves You!

satisfy the TDC people as a choice for the unit.

The next meeting of the Executive Board is slated for January 25th at Eastland National Bank at 2 p. m.

The group at the Gorman meeting received a report from Dr. Barnes on the progress of the different committees and also heard a report on the ways that Snyder proceeded to secure their TDC unit, which is now underway.

As more specific information is available from the Council the group will send out press releases to the different papers in the county and surrounding areas and to the area TV stations and other news media.

Zena Simpson Honored With Birthday Party

Zena Simpson was honored on her 75th birthday with a surprise party at Lasater's Dept. Store while on duty. Anyone who came in was invited.

The party was hosted by her "kids" and "grandkids". Cake, punch, coffee, sausage balls, and nuts were served.

Those from the family were: Bill and Frances Simpson, Jack and Becky Simpson and their kids, Casey, Cody and Rachel, Tacy and Mandy Warren, Tami and Chasta Underwood, Odell and Emma Bethany, Odie Brightwell, Billy and Brian Simpson, and many very wonderful friends.

If you were not personally invited it was most assuredly an oversight. Anyone who knew about it or came in the store were invited.

Many thanks to everyone who made my Granny's birthday such a very special day.

—GP—

Financial Education Aid Meeting Slated January 23 at 7 p.m.

On Monday night, January 23rd, at 7 p. m., there will be a meeting in the high school library for those who are interested in learning about applying for financial aid to pay for education beyond high school.

Financial aid opportunities are not limited to graduating high school students. Adults, who wish to attend college, technical schools, business or beauty schools, may also qualify.

Linda Glover, high school counselor, will be conducting the meeting. Financial aid application forms will be available at the meeting.

—GP—

CARD OF THANKS
I wish to thank my friends who were so kind and thoughtful of me with cards, prayers, phone calls and visits during my stay in the De Leon Hospital.

Your interest and concern meant a lot to me.

—GO— Jeff Broom

SCHOOL MENU

BREAKFAST
Monday - Rice, juice and milk.
Tuesday - Toast, bacon, eggs, juice and milk.
Wednesday - Toast, jelly, juice and milk.
Thursday - Biscuits, sausage, gravy, juice and milk.
Friday - Pancakes, syrup, juice and milk.

LUNCH
Monday - Fish nuggets, macaroni with tomatoes, corn, applesauce cake, cornbread and milk.
Tuesday - Burritos, cheese sauce,

Eastland County pecans tops in region

Eastland County pecan exhibitors dominated the Central Texas Regional Pecan Show last week, said DeMarquis Gordon, county extension agent.

The pecan entries were judged in Stephenville and displayed in Fort Worth.

Lorene Jennings, county in-shell champion, won champion of the regional show with her Mohawk entry. Jennings is from Cross Plains.

Other Eastland County residents earning awards at the show were L.R. Boch of Ranger; Ruby Jones of Cross Plains; Charles Walker of Eastland; T.E. Robertson of Kokomo; Dan Childress of Cross Plains; Bill Yoes of Rising Star; and Dale Walker of Carbon.

Stacey Slampa and Powell Compton Exchange Vows Saturday, January 7

On Saturday afternoon, January 7th Stacey Slampa and Powell Compton were united in marriage at Harvey Baptist Church in Stephenville.

Senior Class To Sponsor Fajita Supper January 20

The Senior class of Gorman High School will have a Fajita Supper on Friday, January 20th beginning at 5:30 p. m. in the school cafeteria.

Fajitas are \$1.50 each and tea will be 25 cents.

—GP—

A New Son Arrives At The Bill Townleys

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Townley of Irving announce the birth of their son, William Charles, jr., born January 10, 1989. He weighed 8 pounds and 4 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Dr. and Mrs. Kenneth Du Bois of Irving. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Dick Townley of De Leon. Paternal great-grandparents are Jo Nell Leonard and Mr. and Mrs. Ben R. Townley of Gorman.

—GP—

CARD OF THANKS

We would like to take this opportunity to express our thanks and gratitude to our friends and neighbors for their love and concern during the illness and loss of our loved one, Jesse Parker.

We appreciate the cards, phone calls, the food prepared and served, and the visits and flowers. A special thanks to Higginbotham Funeral Home and Ray Daniels for his help. May the Lord bless each of you.

The Jesse Parker family

—GP—

Airman Gerald G. Hargrove Completes Air Force Course

Army and Air Force Hometown News - Airman Gerald G. Hargrove son of Gerald N. and Barbara Hargrove of De Leon, has graduated from the U. S. Air Force avionics guidance and control systems specialist course at Keesler AFB, Miss.

Graduates of the course were taught basic electronics and the use of computer systems dealing with navigation and weapons, and earned credits toward an associate degree in applied science through the Community College of the Air Force.

The airman is a 1987 graduate of De Leon High School.

—GP—

KEEPING UP WITH FRIENDS

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Collins and two friends from Eastland were in attendance at the Battle of Songs in Fort Worth on Saturday night.

lettuce and tomato salad, spanish rice, fruit and milk.

Wednesday - Chicken, gravy, mashed potatoes, English peas, rolls, honey and milk.

Thursday - Baked potatoes, chile, cheese sauce, lettuce and tomato salad, banana pudding, crackers and milk.

Friday - Hamburgers, tater tots, ice cream and milk.

Matron of honor was Stacey's sister, Stephanie Snider of Gorman. Best man was Powell's father, Harvey Compton of Lovelady, Texas. Brother of the bride, Stephen Slampa, and brother of the groom, Kyle Compton, served as ushers. Candelighters were April and Patti Compton, sisters of the groom.

Stacey is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Slampa of Gorman, and Powell is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Compton of Lovelady.

The couple will be at home in Stephenville after returning from a trip to San Antonio.

Herman Lee Girtz Services Held On Monday

Herman Lee Girtz, 64 of Abilene, passed away Saturday at his home.

Graveside services were held at 11 a. m. Monday at the Cedar Hill Cemetery with the Rev. Jerry Spivey officiating, directed by North Funeral Home.

Born in Rotan, he moved to Abilene in the late 1930s with his family.

He worked in the San Francisco shipyards during WW II and after the war returned to Abilene and worked for the city for several years. Later he received his electricians license, was a transmitter engineer for KRBC for 18 years and was an electrician for Hendrick Medical Center for five years.

Survivors include three sons, Herman Girtz of Abilene, Kenneth of Bakersfield, Calif., and Billy of Houston; two brothers, Robert Girtz of Abilene and Floyd of Carbon; a sister, Levida Pendergrast of Abilene; and four grandchildren.

—GP—

SENATOR PHIL GRAMM ANNOUNCES LOANS TO AID FARMERS

WASHINGTON - U. S. Sen. Phil Gramm of Texas has announced that family farmers in 47 Texas counties are eligible to apply for low-interest loans to help recover from the drought of 1988.

For those who are unable to obtain credit through normal channels, the U. S. Farmers Home Administration will make loans available at below-market interest rates to agricultural producers.

The primary counties are Baylor, Caldwell, Colorado, Comanche, Freestone, Harrison, Irion, Karnes, King, Morris, Panola, Rusk, Schleicher, Titus, Tom Green and Upshur counties.

Contiguous counties, which are also eligible for assistance, include Eastland, Erath, and Hamilton.

The areas were designated as eligible for disaster assistance by the FmHA, Gramm noted, due to drought damage between January 1, 1988 and August 31, 1988.

Farmers and ranchers in these counties will now be able to apply for low-interest, multi-year loans to help cover up to 80 percent of their actual losses, the senator said. The maximum loan available will be \$500,000.

The FmHA, which will supervise the loan program, is charged with providing aid to farmers and ranchers in order to assist their economic recovery from natural disasters.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Gorman PTO is accepting Donations for the Louise Rankin Memorial Library. If you would like to make a Donation in Memory of or In Honor of Someone, Please Call Janda Taylor at 734-2497 or 734-2617.

Gorman PTO Cookbooks are now on Sale for \$3.00. Call 734-3263 or 758-2531 to place your order.

Want to learn how to DANCE? We will be giving lessons at the Old Fire Hall, Saturday mornings from 9:30 to 11:30, January 21, through February 25. Lessons will be \$15 per person or \$25 per couple. To sign up or for more information, call Randy at 734-2842 (after 6:00) or Shelby at 734-3150 (before 2:00). Dances covered will include the 2-step, Step and a Half, Waltz, Cotton-eyed Joe, Schottische, Double Shuffle, and possibly more. We must have at least 6 people to sign up.

USDA Surplus Foods To Be Distributed January 25

The Central Texas Opportunities, Inc. will distribute USDA surplus Commodities in Gorman on Wednesday, January 25th from 1 to 2 p. m.

Commodities will be distributed in Carbon on Wednesday morning at the usual time and in Desdemona on Wednesday afternoon at the usual time.

All eligible persons will receive commodities without regard to race, age, sex, national origin, etc. and commodities will be distributed on a first come - first serve basis.

Items available this month are butter and some flour.

—GP—

Services Pending For Mrs. Minnie (Bill) Thurman

Funeral services were pending on Wednesday morning at Higginbotham Funeral Home here for Mrs. Minnie (Bill) Thurman, 84, of Eastland.

Mrs. Thurman passed away following a long illness at 7:25 a. m. Wednesday, January 18 at Canterbury Villa in Gorman.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Carl H. (Wanda) Cole of Gorman; three brothers, Reace Rodgers of Ranger, Paul Rodgers of Lindale, and Conley Rodgers of Odessa, WA.; two sisters, Mrs. Allene Garrett of Roswell, ga. and Mrs. Russell (Bonnie) Jackson of Houston; two grandchildren; one great-grandchild and many nieces and nephews.

—GP—

Sam Yancey Laid To Rest On Sunday

J. M. "Sam" Yancey, 70, passed away on Saturday, January 14 in the De Leon Hospital.

Services were held at 3:30 p. m. Sunday at the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel in Gorman with the Rev. Darrell Dessen officiating. Burial was in the Alameda Cemetery.

Born in Durant, Okla., he was a longtime Eastland County resident. He was a farmer and a U. S. Army veteran of WW II.

Survivors include two sons, James Royce Yancey of Graham and Jerry M. Yancey of Hillsboro; a daughter, Louise Newton of De Leon; a brother, B. D. Yancey of Ranger; two sisters, Eunice Gregory of Carbon and Betty Stewart of Fort Worth; 12 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

—GP—

Billie R. Sullivent Rites Held Tuesday

Billie R. Sullivent, 59, died Sunday at an Abilene hospital.

Services were held at 2 p. m. Tuesday at Bakker Funeral Home Chapel in Eastland with Billy McCannon and the Rev. Jimmy Maples officiating. Burial was in Eastland Cemetery.

Born in Nimrod, he was a lifetime resident of Eastland County. He was employed by Lone Star Gas for 35 years, retiring in 1983. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife, Bobbie Sullivent of Eastland; a son, David Sullivent of Elk City, Okla.; two daughters, Betty Wilson of Eastland and Irene Sullivent of Boyd; a brother, Elmer Sullivent of Olden; three sisters, Louise Hodges of Gorman, Venna Maples of Lake Leon and Princess Krantz of Eastland.

—GP—

WITH FRIENDS

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bennett of Gorman and Mrs. Joetta Schuman and daughter, Jacquelyn of Eastland attended the Battle of Songs concert in Fort Worth Saturday night.

CANTERBURY VILLA OF GORMAN

NANCY HENDRICKS, REPORTER

The Kokomo EH Club will be at Canterbury Villa on Thursday, January 20th at 2 p. m. to honor residents who have January birthdays.

There will be birthday cake and drinks and entertainment. Relatives and friends are always welcome. Resident having January birthdays are Iola Johnson, Buddy Eaves, Wayne Forrest, Bertha Thomas and Emma Shugart.

Bro. Ron Carroll of the First Baptist Church came and taught the Sunday school lesson on Sunday at 10 a. m. Eleven residents attended.

At 2:30 p. m. the Kokomo Baptist Church came. They were Rev. Clarence and Leona Wilson, J. L. and Naoma Morrow, Jimmy and Verna Lee Little, Ava Rodgers, Mamie Little, Bernice Rodgers, Nancy Hendricks, Hope Joiner and Melinda and Michael Eaves.

At 4 p. m. coming from the Gorman Church of Christ were Bro. Curtis Maness, Bro. T. A. Grice, Seytha Alldredge, Frankie and George Stacy, Dee Smithey, Purnia Faye Smith, Juanita Files, Janda and Tracey Taylor, Floydene Gilbert, Zena Simpson, Allie Mae George, and Lorene Foster.

Visiting with Annie and Venio Hale were Mrs. Mamie Little of Eastland, Keith Reynolds of Carbon, Verna Lee and Jimmy Little, Iola Johnson, Emma Shugart, Debbie Gunter and daughter of De Leon, Iris Preston, and Era Maupin.

Jeannie Pack of Carbon visited her grandmother, Alice Burleson.

Those visiting Cynthia Earles were Vardie, Faye and Freddie Huff, Sheryl Everton, Allie Mae George, and Dixie Pack of Desdemona.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Rawls of Austin visited his parents, Harley and Wilma Rawls.

JESSE PARKER BURIED

We are sorry to report the passing of Jesse Parker on Sunday, January 8 at 8:30 p. m.

Services were held at 2 p. m. Tuesday at Higginbotham Funeral Home with Rev. Ron Carroll officiating.

Burial was on the Oaklawn Ceme-

tery in Gorman.

He was a farmer and had lived at Kokomo and Gorman all his life. Jesse was a deacon in First Baptist Church for 32 years.

He is survived by his wife, Donnie (Jones) Parker of Gorman; two sons, Gene Parker of Colorado City and Mickey Parker of Broken Bow, Okla.; three grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

We will miss this family and extend our sympathy.

On Tuesday the singing was real good. Those coming were Billie Stacy of Carbon, Marie White of De Leon, Dorothy Roberts of Desdemona, Bro. Joe O'Neal, Leta Hogan, Velma Bennett, Nell Bruner, Nancy Hendricks, Lucretia Fairbetter, Opal Mauney, Junior Fairbetter, Melba Frasier, and Anna Rush.

Those visiting Judy Beth Phillips were her sister, Carolyn Olive of Waco, Sgt. Richard and Dora Preston and son, Sammy, of Fort Stewart, Georgia.

On Monday we played bingo at 1:30. Winners were Mae Quinn, Iola Johnson, Berta Poyner and Garnet Adams.

Those visiting Buddy Eaves were Wayne Eaves of Desdemona, Lena Mae Hawkins of Blanket, Mary Webb of Cisco, Tommy Eaves of Carbon, Jennifer Eaves and Melinda Eaves.

Visiting Berta Poyner were Gladys McClellan of Stephenville, Agatha Nance of Desdemona, Velma Bennett, Nell Bruner, Anna Rush, Mozelle Rhymes, Oma Dee Garrett, Estelle Erwin, Donnie Parker, Mayvis lasater and Olga Kinser.

On Wednesday Gladys Chambless and Nancy Hendricks helped with bingo. Winners were Nancy Holloway, Berta Poyner, Venio Hale, Cynthia Earles and Wayne Forrest.

Mr. and Mrs. Verle Hallmark of Brownwood and Jimmy Hallmark of Midland visited Jess and Irene Hallmark.

Dorothy Roberts gave Ida Lewis a permanent.

Rev. Ron Carroll of First Baptist Church, gave the devotional on

CARBON NEWS

Dorothy Jackson

Phone 639-2540

Everywhere you go you run into the flu bug. The bug seems to have hit full force, as it is in the school and so many homes. It is really hitting the older people hard. It is so hard for them to shake it off, and there is not much medication to take. You almost have to just wear it out, if it doesn't wear you out first. I have been lucky so far and haven't taken it. Lets all eat a good diet and drink lots of fluids.

It really tried to get ugly again weatherwise. It did sleet, mist and even spit a few snow flakes this past week, but it really didn't put out any moisture to speak of. It just teased us a little. The temperature dipped just below freezing and had we had more moisture, things could have gotten bad. But we do need moisture of any kind, even if it is frozen. In time it would melt. Maybe if it really, really got winter time, the flu bug would have to go away.

This past week some of our church families lost loved ones. Mrs. Charlie Thackerson lost an uncle, Sam Yancey of Gorman; Mrs. Gladys Hale lost a brother-in-law, Marshall Erwin of Lubbock.

We need to keep these families and others on our prayer list.

Sunday, January 22 is the time for

Wednesday.

We are happy to report Eulon Perry and Delma Maupin are home from the De Leon Hospital.

Sorry to report Mae Quinn is a patient in the De Leon Hospital.

Jeannie Pack and Nancy Hendricks came for bingo on Thursday. Winners were Emma Shugart, Alice Burleson, Ruby Vandergriff, and Iola Johnson had black out.

Those visiting Runy Vandergriff were Oma Dee Garrett, Velma Bennett, and Nell Bruner.

We sure enjoyed the musical and singing on Thursday at 7 p. m. Those coming were Georgie Welch and Doris Burleson of De Leon, Ima Lee Burleson of Desdemona, Bill Spradling of Brownwood, Rocky and Minnie Anderson of Hico, Howard and Georgie Iley of Ranger, Leta Hogan and Orville and Jennie Mewcomb.

the Men's Prayer Breakfast at 8 a. m. at the Baptist Church. Also January 22 is layman's day. Men of the church will be in charge of all activities and the services Sunday morning and night. They will also do the service at Canterbury Villa in Gorman. We hear some good messages from these men.

The first semester ended last Friday at Carbon Schools. The second semester started Monday, January 16, due to Mr. King's birthday, but Carbon had classes. A lot of businesses were closed, such as banks, post offices, but most others were open.

Basketball is still being played. High school plays Lingleville here January 20th and Rising Star here January 24th. Not many more games left to play this year.

Mr. and Mrs. Truman Bryant spent the weekend with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Taylor, Caleb and Catie of Sonora.

Mr. and Mrs. Stan Tucker, Andy and Erin spent the weekend with Dorothy Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. Ike Whitson and son and Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Hodge attended the Battle of Songs concert in Fort Worth on Saturday night.

DESDEMONA NEWS

By Vonnie Guthery
Phone 758-2665

"Congratulations" to Kevin and Lori McLern on the arrival of their baby boy. Grandparents are Ray and Kinda McLern of Desdemona.

James and La Rue Carr Campbell of Hobbs, N. M. have recently retired and moved to Lake Leon. Her mother, Carrie Carr, lives in Desdemona.

"Congratulations" to Jeff and Candy Auvenshine of De Leon on the arrival of their baby daughter born in Brownwood last week. Grandparents are Charlie and Paula Fonville of Desdemona.

Our sincere sympathy goes out to

GORDON SPOT

Until the last few days the winter has been unseasonable warm and dry. Some people are worried that their fruit and trees are going to begin blooming too soon. This is not likely to happen until we have more cold weather first. Fruit trees require a certain number of hours below 45 degrees before they will set a crop of fruit. This is known as chilling requirements. Peach trees need 750 to 950 hours of temperatures below 45 degrees in the winter before they will set a crop. The number of chilling hours required depends on the variety. At this time we have not had enough chilling hours for most varieties of fruit.

Since we cannot do anything about the weather, we should concentrate our efforts on those management jobs we can do. One of those important jobs to perform on our fruit trees is the annual "lube" job. This refers, of course, to an application of dormant oil to control scale insects.

Why control scale insects?

The answer is simply to save the trees. If a scale insect such as the San Jose scale or white peach gets started, it could kill your trees.

Dormant oil can be purchased at many different stores where garden supplies are sold. Be sure to follow all label directions and apply the mixture when the temperature is

the family of Sam Yancey, who passed away on Saturday, January 14th in the De Leon Hospital. He is survived by one daughter, Louise Newton of De Leon; two sons, Jerry Yancey of Joshua and Royce Yancey of Graham. Burial was in Alameda.

"Hello" to Pat Isabell of Grand Prairie. He is a new subscriber of the Gorman Progress by way of a "gift" from Ella Foreman of Irving. Pat can now keep up with his friends in Gorman - his hometown. Hope you are feeling much better, Pat.

Our sincere sympathy goes out to the family of Johnny Ray Ash of Post. He was buried in Grassland, near Tahoka, on December 12th. Johnny Ray graduated from Desdemona School. He is survived by two brothers, P. D. of Stephenville and Arlington Ash of Clyde; and two sisters, Arlena Barnes of Mesquite and Enla Jean McConal of Seminole.

between 40-70 degrees F. Do not apply if a freeze is likely within 48 hours after application, and do not apply after the tree has budded out. Dormant oil is applied when the tree is dormant. Spraying blooms and leaves could cause leaf burn and flower drop.

Scale insects are difficult for most people to detect, so dormant oil should be applied once each year. Sooner or later your trees will probably be attacked by scale insects so be ready by guarding against them with an application of dormant oil. Dormant oil should be applied to all kinds of fruit trees and it won't hurt your pecan trees. Scale is not a major problem of pecans, but they do sometimes attack pecans as well as shade trees.

In fact, another kind of scale insect often damages or kills a popular shrub in Eastland County. That plant is the Euonymus and the scale is known as euonymus scale. These scale insects are found on the shrubs leaves, stems and trunk.

There are two or three generations each year. A dormant oil spray now will be a big help in controlling the insect. However, other applications may be needed throughout the year. They spread to new foliage during the crawler stage which first appears during May. As crawlers begin to feed, a wax covering forms over the insect.

Summer oil will control adult euonymus scale. Malathion or Diazinon added to the summer oil and water mixture will control crawlers.

Be sure to follow directions on the insecticide labels when spraying for all types of insects.

Another job that needs to be done to your fruit trees is pruning. Pruning a young tree controls its shape by developing a strong, well-balanced framework of scaffold branches. The open center pruning system is best suited for store fruit trees. Since most fruit trees bear fruit on wood that grew the previous year, this wood is regrown from year to year. New growth needs full light or it will shade out and die with all the production occurring on the outer perimeter of the tree. The open center system maximizes light penetration to all parts of the tree, resulting in fruit production over the entire tree.

Light pruning can be done any time of the year. However, perform major pruning only during the dormant season or late winter just before bidbreak.

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4-H CLUB NEWS

RECREATION TEAM SETS MEET

The 4-H Recreation Team members will meet at 2:30 p. m. in the Extension Service office on Sunday afternoon, January 22nd.

Team members are Pam Kea, Robbi Daskevich, Cathy Thomas, Amy Logan, Stephen Mauldin and John Seaberry.

Posters and publicity will be prepared for the February 4th county wide 4-H party. Team advisor is Mrs. Patti Cozart.

TEEN RETREAT ENJOYED

Seven 4-H members and chaperone, Mrs. Shelly Bailey, attended the 1989 Texas Teen Leader Retreat held at the Texas 4-H Center in Brownwood last weekend.

Participants learned how to set

goals and reach them. They enjoyed the keynote speaker, Mr. M. B. Flippin of College Station. Other speakers from around the state were on the agenda, along with the Texas 4-H Council officers. State 4-H secretary, Toby Long, assisted with the program.

Attending from Eastland County were Eric McDonald of Ranger, Natalie Stevens of Eastland, Howard Lawrence, Jomy Clark, Brian Bailey, Toby and Stephanie Long and Mrs. Shelly Bailey, all of Rising Star.

PHOTOGRAPHY MEETING JAN. 22

For those 4-H members interested in photography, a meeting scheduled for Sunday, January 22nd will help you get your photographs ready for the upcoming Photo Contest and County Project Show.

Project leader, Barbara McDonald will meet at 2 p. m. on the 22nd at TU Electric Reddy Room in Eastland. **Bring photographs that you**

have taken. Mrs. McDonald will evaluate your work and advise how to properly enlarge, mat, and crop the prints for the upcoming shows.

She will also discuss categories for entries in each of these shows. No entry fee will be required and all participants in either show will receive ribbons. All interested 4-H members are encouraged to participate. Details will be explained at the meeting.

4-H GOAT PROJECT KID GIVEAWAY

Once again the International Dairy Goat Research Center at Prairie View A&M University will donate goats to the 4-H Goat Project Kid Giveaway. Winners will be selected based on the completed application and guidelines set by the IDGRC.

This project is designed for youth to become aware of 4-H opportunities thru dairy goat projects. **Applications are to be submitted by February 3, 1989 and may be picked up at the County Extension Office.**

The onion was worshipped in ancient Egypt and regarded by the Romans as a God who guarded the kitchen and guided the healing of battle wounds and skin diseases.

KOKOMO NEWS

By Mrs. Zelda Jordan
Phone 639-2289

We received some moisture in the form of sleet and freezing rain on Friday. I heard reports from one-half to seven-tenths of an inch. Every drop was appreciated. The sun shown bright on Saturday to make it a beautiful sparkling "winter wonderland", and by noon the ice had all melted.

Jimmy Little, J. L. Morrow, Helen and Woodrow Browning, with Wynelle Brown at the piano, rendered the special music at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday morning. Frankie Jarrett of Gorman and Jimmy Cook, Joshua and Benjamin were visitors.

Jimmy and Verna Lee Little and Charles and Carolyn Little attended the Battle of Songs at the Will Rogers Auditorium in Fort Worth on Saturday night.

Mrs. Hope Joiner and Ennis Joiner of Gorman attended the funeral of her uncle, M. J. (Red) Dukes at Rising Star on Friday. We extend sincere sympathy to Mrs. Joiner and the family.

Lucille Joiner of Stephenville came for a visit with Mrs. Hope Joiner on Saturday morning.

Zelda Jordan visited with Mrs. Dora Garrett on Sunday afternoon. Lois Collins visited with Mrs. Garrett on Monday afternoon.

Lindell Fields visited with his brother and family, Joe, Barbara, Michael, Caylea, Lisa and Falyn Fields at Bryan last week while he was in the area on a business trip.

Tena Danley and Travis Nelson of Fort Worth visited on Tuesday with their mother, Mrs. Jimmy Nelson, and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Nelson.

Those from the Kokomo Baptist Church going to Lake Leon Baptist Church Constitution Service on Sunday afternoon were Bro. Joe O'Neal, Nancy Hendricks, Anna Laura Clearman, Naoma Morrow and Wynelle Brown. The church has been a mission church sponsored by the Mangum Baptist Church. Bro. John Taylor of Eastland is the pastor.

Vernon and Deon Fields were in Stephenville on Monday to see their grandson, Trevis Nachtigall, show his hog in the Erath County Livestock Show. He placed his duroc fifth in his class. Our congratulations to Trevis. He is the son of Richard and Teresa Nachtigall of Morgan Mill.

Vernon, Deon and Lindell Fields honored her dad, Buster Johnson of Carbon, with a birthday dinner to celebrate his 81st birthday on Sunday, January 15. A belated "Happy Birthday" to Mr. Johnson.



Senator Bob Glasgow Sworn Into His Fourth Term As State Senator

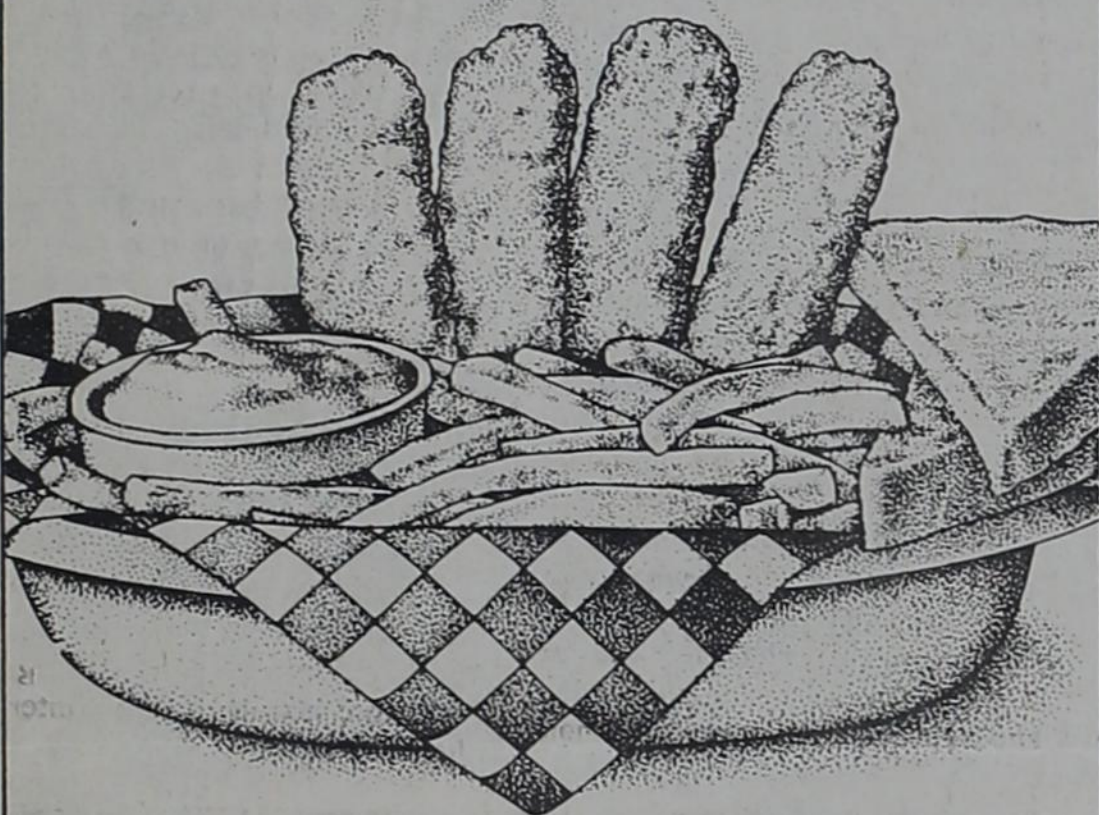
Senator Bob Glasgow was sworn in at noon January 10th to his fourth term in the Texas Senate.

Glasgow received two new postings when Lt. Governor Bill Hobby appointed him as Chairman of the Senate Jurisprudence Committee and as a member of the Senate State Affairs Committee. Glasgow's other committee assignments include Vice chairman of Senate Finance and membership on Senate Administration.

"I know the 71st Session of the Texas Legislature is of great importance to the people I represent. At no other time in the history of Texas have so many important issues demanded the Legislature's attention. Today I renew my commitment to my constituents, and to all Texans, to see that their best interest are well served," Glasgow said.

Glasgow also said he is especially proud to serve on the Jurisprudence Committee. "Many of the bills that pass through this committee will have a direct affect on my district, and I look forward to further working with my constituency."

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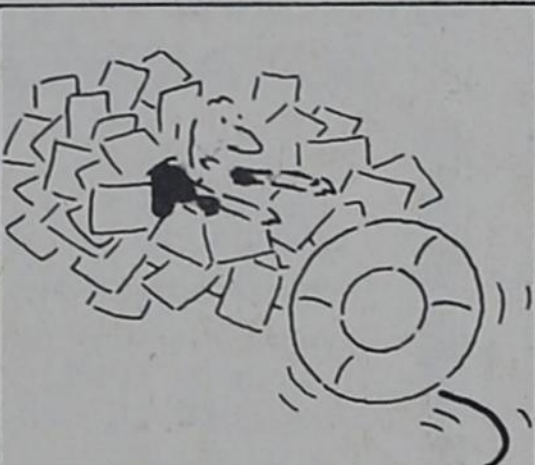


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Arbor Day celebration to take root January 20

(AUSTIN)—From one end of the country to the other, Americans of all ages will be celebrating Arbor Day on January 20 by planting seedlings and young trees to leave a lasting legacy for generations of Americans they will never know.

Arbor Day originated in 1872 when J. Sterling Morton, an agriculturist and later secretary of agriculture under President Grover Cleveland, proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees.

At that time, less than three percent of Nebraska's land was covered with trees. The Board of Agriculture agreed to Morton's proposal and observed the first Arbor Day by planting more than a million trees.

Here in Texas, Arbor Day was first officially observed in 1890, one year after the citizens of Temple led by W. Goodrich Jones, the founder of the Texas Forestry Association, drafted an Arbor Day resolution that was passed into law by the Texas legislature.

The 1989 Texas Arbor Day celebration will commemorate the 100th anniversary of the effort by the citizens of Temple. The state ceremony in Fort Worth will feature representatives from a variety of state agencies and private organizations, including the Texas Department of Agriculture, the Texas Association of Nurserymen, the Texas Association of Extension Home Economists, the Texas Forest



Service and others that promote a better understanding of how to plant and care for trees and their many benefits to communities.

As part of the event, Fort Worth Parks and Recreation Department will contribute a tree to the city of Temple to commemorate the planting of the first Arbor Day tree in Texas a century ago. The original tree, which has lived out its life, was replaced in December. The planting ceremony was videotaped and will be shown at the Fort Worth Arbor Day celebration.

In Texas, 13.6 percent of the total land is in forestland, most of which is in East Texas. This amounts to an estimated 11.7 million acres, which is 18,583.2 square miles, an area larger than the states of Maryland and New Jersey combined.

Disaster Relief Available

Taxpayers who suffer significant property damage as the result of a disaster may be able to get immediate tax help, the Internal Revenue Service says.

If the taxpayer has a deductible casualty loss from a disaster in an area that the President of the United States later declares eligible for federal disaster assistance, the taxpayer may choose to deduct that loss on a return



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Hundreds of Veterans Locate War Time Buddies

Thousands of people have been helped by the information in a recently published book. Among those benefiting from this information are hundreds of Viet-Nam War veterans looking for former comrades, lawyers looking for heirs to estates, people looking for missing relatives, alumni associations looking for former students and businesses seeking people who are

delinquent on their bills.

This book "HOW TO LOCATE ANYONE WHO IS OR HAS BEEN IN THE MILITARY" gives exact instructions on how to find anyone who is a current member of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, Coast Guard, their Reserve Components or the National Guard. It also spells out how to locate former members of all these components of the Armed Forces, both veterans and retired. This is the only book on the market that contains this highly useful information.

Otherwise, the taxpayer may deduct the loss on his or her return for the year the loss occurred.

The amount of loss must be reduced by any insurance or other reimbursement and by \$100 for nonbusiness property. If the loss is due to non-business property, it is deductible only if total casualty or theft losses for the year exceed 10 percent of the taxpayers' adjusted gross income.

These calculations are explained in IRS Publication 547, "Nonbusiness Disasters, Casualties, and Thefts," and Publication 584, "Nonbusiness Disaster, Casualty, and Theft Loss Workbook." Both can be obtained free using the order blank in the IRS tax return package or by calling IRS toll-free at 1-800-424-3676.

The book includes a section on how to find out about military unit reunions and a directory of all major veteran and military organizations in the United States and how to contact them; as they can be extremely helpful in locating former members of the Armed Forces.

Lt. Col. Richard S. Johnson, the author, has over 27 years experience in the US Army and is an expert in locating military personnel.

The book is available to the

EASTLAND COUNTY DISPATCH MEETING HELD JANUARY 11TH

The continuing radio problems were discussed on Wednesday, January 11 when the board of directors of the Eastland County Cooperative Dispatch met.

Bob Mercer, chief dispatcher, stated that a repairman from Abilene Communications, from which the radio was purchased about fourteen months ago, has worked on the radio, but "it's not fixed yet."

On Monday Mr. Mercer stated he was told a part for the radio had been ordered that should fix it once and for all.

In other business, board members learned that each governing body in Eastland County, with the exception of Ranger, had passed a resolution agreeing to participate in a study to implement the 911 emergency number in Eastland County.

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Carrot A Day Keeps The Doctor Away

(AUSTIN)—Carrots may not be man's best friend, but they're close.

One medium-size carrot provides more than twice the vitamin A an adult needs daily for night vision and healthy skin and internal organs.

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Eaten raw, it becomes a natural toothbrush that cleanses teeth and gums.

It costs practically nothing in calories—about 30 a serving.

And, contrary to widespread belief, it's not an unpopular vegetable. Carrots rank fourth behind lettuce, onions and tomatoes as the most frequently eaten vegetable in the country.

Nowadays wise cooks familiar with the benefits of carrots grate them on turkey sandwiches and chalupas and put them in breads, spaghetti sauces, stir-fries and, of course, soups, stews and salads.

"The natural sweetness of carrots cuts the acid in tomato sauce and adds sweetness to muffins and cakes," said Carol Guthrie, Texas Department of Agriculture home economist. "Carrots also give flavor, texture and nutritional value to sandwich spreads. They're a more versatile vegetable than we used to think. Imaginative cooks can find many ways to use them."

Texas growers plant around 10,000 acres of carrots every year. Peak harvests take place during winter in the



Rio Grande Valley and South Texas. Carrots are also pulled in the spring and from August to December on the High Plains.

When buying carrots look for those that are firm and well-formed with smooth skin and a healthy orange color. One pound will serve four people. Steam or boil carrots covered until tender, 20-30 minutes depending on size.

To bake them, sprinkle a teaspoon of sugar and a half teaspoon of salt over one pound of pared carrots. Dot with two tablespoons of butter, cover and bake in a 400-degree F. oven 30-40 minutes.

This carrot-bran muffin goes easy on the sugar, taking full advantage of carrots' sweet taste.

CARROT BRAN MUFFINS

- 1 C. crushed bran flakes cereal
 - 3/4 C. all-purpose flour
 - 1/2 C. whole wheat flour
 - 1/4 C. firmly-packed brown sugar
 - 2 tsp. baking powder
 - 1/2 tsp. baking soda
 - 1 tsp. cinnamon
 - 1/2 tsp. nutmeg
 - 1 1/4 C. lowfat milk
 - 1 egg
 - 3 T. oil
 - 1 1/2 C. (about 1/2 lb.) grated carrots
 - 1/4 C. raisins, optional
- Thoroughly combine cereal, flours, sugar, baking powder, soda, cinnamon and nutmeg in a large bowl. In small bowl, mix together milk, egg and oil. Stir into dry ingredients until just blended. Add carrots and raisins. Spoon batter into lightly greased muffin pans. Bake at 400 degrees F. for 15 minutes or until wooden pick inserted in center comes out clean. Makes 12 muffins.

BROCCAMOLE

- 3/4 lb. cooked and pureed broccoli
 - 1 med. finely chopped onion
 - 1 med. finely chopped tomato
 - 2 minced garlic cloves
 - 1 T. minced fresh cilantro
 - 1 T. lemon juice
 - Salt and pepper to taste
- Combine pureed broccoli, onion, tomato, garlic, cilantro, lemon juice and seasoning. Mix well. Serve with chips or raw vegetables.

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