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Vance Wins DA Race Without Run Off; Huff Defeats Cordell

Leslie B. Vance won the Criminal District Attorney's race over the incumbent Emory Walton and Truman Kirk by a total of 10 votes to take the office without a run-off.

County totals showed Vance with 2160, Walton with 1344, and Kirk with 806. So Vance will be the new Criminal District Attorney for Eastland County with a victory in the primary over both opponents.

Vardie Huff won the Justice of the Peace race in Precinct 5 with a margin of 76 votes. Huff polled 276 votes and Cordell received 200 votes. Huff carried both Gorman and Carbon to win re-election.

Hallum and Mears In Run Off For Dst. Clerk

Kathy Hallum carried the race for Eastland County Clerk with a total of 1238 votes. Bill Mears of Gorman polled 1205 votes to get into the run-off election with Hallum. June Hicks received 1084 and Darrell

This race between Hallum and Mears was really a close one and the upcoming run-off election on April 10th should be a real close race.

Democratic Primary Election Results

The Democratic Party Primary election in Gorman on Tuesday drew 362 voters to the polls.

Jim Mattox led in the voting for Governor in the Gorman box with 145, while Ann Richards received 125, and Mark White had 36.

Tom Bowden received 163 votes for State Treasurer with Karen Friend polling 67 votes and Nikki Van Hightower received 64 votes.

In the Commissioner of Agriculture race Jim Hightower led the balloting with 171 votes his closest contender, Clyde Chandler's total of 73.

Jim Parker received 210 votes for State Rep. District 65 and Kenneth Mitchell polled 122 votes.

For District Attorney, Emory Walton received 143 votes, Leslie Vance polled 139 and Truman Kirk totaled 66.

Scott Bailey received 232 votes and W. E. (Bill) Sikes tallied 115.

Bill Mears received 142 votes for District Clerk. June Hicks had 119 and Kathy Hallum polled 59. Shipman had 34 votes.

Justice of the Peace Pct. 5 race showed Huff with 212 votes and Cordell 141.

Frances Simpson received 312 votes for Precinct Chairman of Pct. 5.

The Run-Off Election will be held April 10th.

Gorman Invitational Track Meet Set Here For March 23-24

Class AA and A area schools will be competing in the Gorman Invitational Track and Field Meet set here for Friday and Saturday, March 23-24.

Junior High teams will meet at 3:30 p. m. Friday, March 23rd.

Boy's and Girl's varsity teams will begin competing at 8:30 a. m. on Saturday, March 24th.

There will be 8 to 10 teams participating in the Class AA division and 18 to 19 teams in the Class A events.

Athletic Boosters Club members will have the concession stand open for food and drinks both days.

The area meet last year was highly successful and a good one is anticipated for this meet.

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Troyat Underwood Files For School Board Post

Troyat Underwood, incumbent, has filed for re-election for a three year term on the Gorman Independent School District Board of Trustees.

Freddie Gilmore, also an incumbent, had previously filed for re-election.

Those wishing to file for a place on the ballot in the May 5th election may do so at the superintendent's office. Deadline for filing is March 21st.

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Larry and Ramona Expresses Thanks To Everyone

We wish to take this means of expressing our deep appreciation to some 500 wonderful people who came from as far as Abilene, Dallas and even out of state, to help us celebrate our "Grand Opening" of The Texas Branding Iron Restaurant.

We want to thank all of you for the bounty of green plants, flowers, cards, hugs and words of encouragement for the success of a new establishment. It is people like you that make it all worthwhile to have a place to come, eat and enjoy a pleasant atmosphere.

We will strive to have a place for you to do just that.

Those who won our free door prizes are: Doris Williams of Comanche, dinner for one; Shirley Eaves of Gorman, dinner for two; and Mrs. Nell Scott of Gorman, dinner for four.

Thanks a million and God bless you all.

Sincerely,

Larry and Ramona Stewart

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Three File For Places On City Commission

C. M. Avery has filed for the position of Mayor on the City Commission. He is pastor of the First Pentecostal Church and is self employed.

Revis Laminack and John Rice have filed for Commissioner Place 2. Laminack is self-employed and Rice is retired.

Deadline for filing is 5 p. m. Wednesday, March 21st at the City Office.

The City Election will be held on May 5th. No one had filed for Commissioner Place 4 by presstime.

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CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their love and concern during our time of sorrow at the death of our loved one, Bert Witt.

We thank all those who sent flowers and cards, also for the prayers, calls and visits. Also the doctors and nurses at Brownwood Regional Hospital.

Also a special thanks to Bro. Ron Carroll for his Christian concern and comforting words, which meant so much to us.

May God bless each of you.

Bonnie Witt
Jean Kelly
Ella Schrihuhn
and families

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Mr. and Mrs. Robert Swinhart of Fairborn, Ohio, a World War II buddy of John Sutton, visited Friday and Saturday with John and Ethel Sutton.

Plans Being Finalized For Chamber Banquet on April 5

The Annual Chamber of Commerce Awards Banquet is only three weeks away, with the date set for Thursday, April 5 at 7 p. m. in the school gym. Plans are being finalized at this time.

The Outstanding Farmer of the Year Award and the Community Service Award will be presented, along with the Academic Achievement Awards to the top individuals in grades 9 thru 12.

Speaker for the evening will be Dr. Jim Mankin of ACU in Abilene. Oscar's of Cisco will cater the meal. Tickets are \$5 each and may be purchased at the following business-

es or from any director of the Chamber: Foster Floral, Gene Foster; Gorman Pharmacy, George Simmons; Gorman Progress, Joe Bennett; Lasater's Dept. Store, Brent Lasater; A. O. Easley Trucks, Tommy Harrison; Brown's Feed Store; Henderson's Quickway; Birdsong Peanuts; Sunbelt Savings; Citizen's State Bank; De Leon Insurance Agency; Fred Rogers; Shirley Eaves; or Terry Treadway.

The Chamber urges you to make plans now to attend this annual event and if at all possible, please purchase your tickets in advance. Tickets will also be available at the door on April 5th.

Gorman Teams Place Well At Cross Plains Meet

The Gorman girls and boys track teams placed well in the Cross Plains Pioneer Relays on Saturday. The Panthers placed second and the Pantherettes placed third.

The Panthers were second to Albany with the Tigers rolling up 136 points and the Panthers totaled 86. The Pantherettes were third behind Albany, first with 130 points, and Bangs, with 102, as the Pantherettes totaled 68 points.

Results of the meet are as follows:

BOYS
Team Totals — 1. Albany 136; 2. Gorman 86; 3. Hico 85; 4. Santa Anna 67; 5. Dublin 61; 6. De Leon 52; 7. Eula 18; 8. Blanket 14; 9. Rising Star 12; 10. May 11; 11. Cross Plains 6; 12. Caps 4; 13. Ranger 2; 14. Blackwell 2.
High Jump — 1. Hardy, May, 6.0; 2. Hirst, Gorman, 6.00; 3. Gilmore, Gorman, 6.0.
Shot Put — 1. White, 45.7½; 2. Lenamon, 44.9¼; 3. Brown, 42.5¼.
Pole Vault — 1. Johnson, Blanket, 10.44.84; 2. Crouch, Dublin, 11.6; 3. Underwood, Gorman, 11.6.
Discus — 1. Hirst, Gorman, 142.2; 2. Hand, Gorman, 135.5; 3. Lenamon, Albany, 126.11.
Triple Jump — 1. Johnson, Blanket, 10.44.84; 2. Cooper, Hico, 11.25.37; 3. Key, Albany, 12.00.37.
400 — 1. Galvan, Eula, 2:12.67; 2. Smith, Hudman, Albany, 2:17.25.
800 — 1. Galvan, Eula, 4:33.33; 2. Hico 46.20; 3. Gorman 46.77.
1600 — 1. Hudman, Albany, 15.75; 2. Vasquez, Dublin, 16.57; 3. Scitern, Gorman, 16.95.
3200 — 1. Jackson, Santa Anna, 11.12; 2. Shelton, Albany, 11.38; 3. Rice, Hico, 11.44.
400 Hurdles — 1. Hudman, Albany, 43.33; 2. Weaver, De Leon, 43.50; 3. Sparks, Dublin, 44.36.

400 — 1. Crouch, Dublin, 52.41; 2. Kirven, Santa Anna, 53.16; 3. Hurst, Gorman, 54.62; 200 — 1. Crouch, Dublin, 23.66; 2. Jackson, Santa Anna, 24.17; 3. Hernandez, Santa Anna, 24.64.
1,600 — 1. Cooper, Hico, 5:13.06; 2. Key, Albany, 5:23.94; 3. Holson, Albany, 5:28.91.
1,600 Relay — 1. De Leon 3:42.55; 2. Hico 3:42.66; 3. Dublin 3:45.99.

GIRLS
Team Totals — 1. Albany 130; 2. Bangs 102; 3. Gorman 86; 4. De Leon 56; 5. Hico 50; 6. Blackwell 46; 7. Rising Star 31; 8. Ranger 27; 9. Eula 22; 10. Santa Anna 18; 11. May 11½; 12. Cross Plains 9½.
Discus — 1. Young, Bangs, 95.2; 2. Blair, Blackwell, 90.3; 3. Prew, Eula, 89.11½.
High Jump — 1. Bartee, Albany, 5.4; 2. Vickers, Albany, 4.10; 3. Williams, Blackwell, 4.10.
Shot Put — 1. Loudermilk, De Leon, 32.84; 2. Young, Bangs, 32.54; 3. Delgado, Albany, 30.9½.
Long Jump — 1. Brown, Santa Anna, 16.8; 2. Cauble, Albany, 15.7; 3. Huggins, Bangs, 15.1½.
Triple Jump — 1. Cauble, Albany, 33.3; 2. Brown, Santa Anna, 32.7½; 3. Bartee, Albany, 32.7.
3200 — 1. Walker, Rising Star, 13:10.22; 2. Pounds, De Leon, 13:56.46; 3. Heffner, Hico, 14:06.20.
300 I.M. Hurdles — 1. Huggins, Bangs, 53.81; 2. Delgado, Albany, 55.30; 3. Baucum, Blackwell, 55.56.
100 — 1. Cauble, Albany, 12.89; 2. Daniels, Gorman, 13.06; 3. Green, Rising Star, 13.21.
400 — 1. Carraway, Gorman, 1:06.61; 2. Alexander, Bangs, 1:07.83; 3. Bean, Hico, 1:09.99.
800 Relay — 1. Albany 1:54.41; 2. De Leon 2:01.50; 3. Bangs 2:02.55.
100 Hurdles — 1. Baucum, Blackwell, 17.25; 2. Williams, Blackwell, 17.66; 3. Williams, Cross Plains, 18.67.
400 — 1. Huggins, Bangs, 2:44.7; 2. Alexander, Bangs, 2:52.8; 3. Hardwick, May, 2:55.09.
1600 Relay — 1. Albany 52.83; 2. Gorman 55.24; 3. Ranger 55.45.
1,600 — 1. Norris, Gorman, 6:01.78; 2. Walker, Rising Star, 6:02.87; 3. Heffner, Hico, 6:29.81.
1600 Relay — 1. Bangs 4:35.16; 2. Gorman 4:41.63; 3. De Leon 4:44.55.

Alvin Lasater Laid To Rest On Friday

Alvin Emmett Lasater, Sr., 79, passed away on Wednesday, March 7th in the De Leon Hospital.

Services were held at 3 p. m. Friday at Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Elder Barry Brown officiating, assisted by Rev. Ron Carroll of First Baptist Church. Burial was in the Simpson Cemetery.

Alvin was born on April 28, 1910 in Fisher County. He grew up in the Kokomo community. He moved to Sundown in 1943 where he was an employee of Honolulu Oil Co. as a pumper until his retirement in 1963, at which time the family moved to their farm at Kokomo.

He was a member and deacon of Gorman Primitive Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by an infant son, Grady Elzo.

Survivors include his wife, Merle Lasater of Gorman; a son, Alvin Emmett Lasater, Jr. of Eastland; a daughter, Ina Margaret Scitern of Gorman; two brothers, George Lasater of Eastland and A. D. of Carbon; a sister, Rozelle Caraway of Eastland and six grandchildren.

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Republican Primary Election Results

The Republican Party Primary election drew 31 voters to the polls on Tuesday.

In the Governor's race Clayton Williams polled 13 votes. Kent Hance had 14, Luce 2 and Rains 1.

Rick Berry received 60 percent of the votes cast in the Commissioner of Agriculture race.

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Advanced Competitors Perform in Meet

The Advanced Competitors of The Gorman Red Hots competed in a Regional Qualifiers Meet in Abilene on the 24th of April.

There were 500 competitors from Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico competing.

Kaycee Gilmore placed 5th and Mary Campbell placed 9th.

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Mr. and Mrs. Joe Craddock of Sundown were visitors Thursday and Friday with his sister, Merle Lasater, and were here to attend the funeral of Alvin Lasater on Friday.

Brenda Morris and Russell Spruill Pledge Vows Feb. 16th



Brenda Morris and Russell Spruill exchanged wedding vows in a double ring ceremony held February 16, 1990 at the First Baptist Church in Carbon with Bro. Darrell Dossey officiating.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. Best Man was Randy Byrd of Flatwood Community. Bridesmaid was Michelle McBroom of Eastland. William Curb, brother of the bride served as ring bearer from Gorman.

Charlene Thackerson of Carbon presented the organ music. Bro. Ron Carroll and Connie sang the wedding songs of "This Is Love" and "Household of Faith". Shannon Spruill of Morton Valley and Rodney Spruill of Carbon, brothers of the groom served as Ushers and Candle Lighters.

A reception followed the ceremony in the Fellowship Hall of the church. Serving at the brides table were Tona Warren, Kim Broom, Sharla Clark and serving at the groom's table was Lucretia Frasier, cousin of the groom, all from Gorman.

Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Don Curb of Gorman, and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Morris of Eastland. Parents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Truitt Spruill of Carbon.

Grandparents of the bride are Mrs. LaRue Burton of Whiteface, Mr. and Mrs. James B. Morris of Gorman and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Clark of Carbon.

Grandparents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Emery Morris of De Leon and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Spruill also of De Leon.

The couple plan to make their home in Carbon.

SCHOOL MENU

BREAKFAST

Monday - Cereal, fruit, toast and milk.

Tuesday - Eggs, bacon, toast, juice and milk.

Wednesday - Pancakes, syrup juice and milk.

Thursday - Peanut butter, syrup, toast, juice and milk.

Friday - Biscuits, sausage, gravy, juice and milk.

LUNCH

Monday - Burritos, salad, fruit, cookies and milk.

Tuesday - Turkey, buttered potatoes, green beans, peach cobbler, hot rolls and milk.

Wednesday - Hamburger casserole, salad, fruit, hot rolls and milk.

Wednesday - Smoked sausage, baked beans, potato salad, fruit, cornbread and milk.

Friday - Sloppy Joes, tater tots, pickle spears, onions, ice cream and milk.

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Tom J. "Riggs" Rainey Laid To Rest Monday

Tom J. "Jiggs" Rainey, 71, passed away Saturday, March 10th in the Stephenville Hospital.

Services were held at 2 p. m. Monday at First Baptist Church in Desdemona with the Rev. Darrell Dossey officiating, assisted by the Rev. Wednell Parr. Burial was in the Desdemona Cemetery directed by Nowlin Funeral Home of De Leon.

Mr. Rainey was born in Eastland and had lived in Desdemona 49 years. He was a construction worker and was a U. S. Army veteran of WWII.

Survivors include his wife, Winnie Carter Rainey of Desdemona; four sons, Larry Rainey of Desdemona, Rodger of Lubbock, and Buddy Jack and Randy, both of Stephenville; two daughters, Joyce Sides of De Leon and Wanda Ballinger of Lubbock; two sisters, Denzell Ables and Murrell Fonville, both of Gorman; and eight grandchildren.

Jennifer Leigh Sanders and Michael Gene Snider To Pledge Vows in June Wedding



Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Sanders of De Leon announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Jennifer Leigh to Michael Gene Snider, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Snider of Gorman. The wedding will be at 7:00 p.m. on June 23, 1990 at the bride's parents home at 712 Sipe Springs Road in De Leon.

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The Gorman Progress is authorized to make the following political announcements, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary Elections on March 13 and April 10, 1990:

Eastland County Treasurer:
RUTH PUGLIESE HART
(Re-election)

Criminal District Attorney:
EMORY C. WALTON
(Re-election)
TRUMAN P. KIRK
LESLIE B. VANCE

Eastland County Judge:
W. E. (BILL) SIKES
SCOTT J. BAILEY
(Re-election)

Justice of The Peace - Pet. 5:
V. O. HUFF
(Re-election)
HERSHELL N. CORDELL

County Commissioner - Pet. 2:
CALVIN AINSWORTH

Eastland County District Clerk:
BILL MEARS
JUNE TUCKER-HICKS
DARRELL M. SHIPMAN

Congressman - 17th District
CHARLES W. STENHOLM
(Re-elect)

CANTERBURY VILLA NEWS

NANCY HENDRICKS - REPORTING

The monthly birthday party honoring residents who have March birthdays will be Thursday, March 29th at 2 p. m.

Residents having March birthdays are Lois Buchanan, Ola Hirst and Ida Lewis.

On Saturday morning Bro. Bill Wilkins and Bro. Joe O'Neal of Lake Leon brought thr Bible study for 18 residents.

Agatha Nance of Desdemona visited Berta Poyner, Lucretia and Junior Fairbetter, Veno Hale and Cynthia Earles on Saturday.

At 2:30 p. m. on Sunday the First Baptist Church of Gorman brought church services. Those present were Bro. Ron Carroll, Ruby Lee Kinser, Martha Rainey, Connie Hall, Anna Rush, Brent Lasater, W. C. and Winnell Browning, Frankie Jo Shipman, Louise Hall and Darlene Cariker. Bro. Ron had also taught the Sunday school lesson for 12 residents at 10 a. m.

Those visiting Buddy Eaves were William Eaves of Midland, Mary Webb and Linda Lorange of Cisco, Lena Hawkins of Blanket, Wayne and Karen Eaves of Desdemona, Michaelyn Eaves and Bill Eaves.

At 4 p. m. on Sunday those from the Church of Christ were Bro. T. A. Grice, Bro. Curtis Maness, Mary Vincent, Stella Rider, Frances Overstreet, A. B. and Dee Smithey, Janda and Tracey Taylor, Allie Mae George, Faye Brewer, Stella Scott, Zina Simpson, Odie Brightwell, Juanita Files and Floydene Gilbert.

Those visiting Mae Quinn and Cleo Clement were Vernon and Artie Skaggs of De Leon, Bernice Farley, Gaynell Hicks of Claifornia, Mildred Roberts, Glen and Shirley Clement of Lake Leon, Wayne and Betty Quinn of Saginaw and Veronica and Kaci Seaton.

Visiting Lorene Duggan were Garrett and Jack Cayce of Brownwood, Maurice Simmons of Brownwood, Wayne and Mary Vincent, Bud and Dee Smithey, Stella Rider, Frances Overstreet, and Murtice Rodgers.

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Visiting Nellie Morgan and Cynthia Earles were Anita Franklin of Ranger, Faye Brewer and Allie Mae George.

FRANK STARK PASSES AWAY
We regret the passing of Frank Stark, age 75, on Saturday, March 3 at Winterpoint, Maine, after a long illness.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, March 7 in Winterport.

Mr. Stark's daughter is Theda May Turner, activity director of Canterbury Villa. Mrs. Turner has one son, Bill, who resides with her in Stephenville.

Mr. Stark is survived by two other daughters and four sons.

Our sympathy goes to Theda Mae and her family.

Visiting Cody and Pauline Love were Carol Raye and Kristen Ervin of Desdemona, Vernon and Artie Skaggs of De Leon, Bro. Ron Carroll, Bro. Joe O'Neal, Leslie Bryant, Denzel and Faye Ables, Lavoyce Hirst, W. C. and Winnell Browning and Frankie Jo Shipman.

On Monday Nancy Hendricks helped with bingo. Winners were Ora Mae Atchison, Mae Quinn, Emma Shugart, Dee Gilmore, Veno Hale, Ruby Vandergriff, Minnie Dupuy, Iola Johnson, Nellie Morgan, Ida Lewis, Cynthia Earles, Garnet Adams and Wilma Rawls.

Those visiting Harley and Wilma Rawls were Pat Locke of Burleson, Ima Lee Burleson of Desdemona, Lavoyce Hirst, Elmer and Modell Watson of De Leon.

Visiting Jess Hallmark were Russell and Wilma Cordell, David Moore and Irene Hallmark.

COUNTRY WESTERN MUSICAL
The Hogan Band of Gorman will have a country-western musical at Canterbury Villa on Tuesday, March 20th from 7 to 9 p. m. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy hearing the fine musicians play and sing.

Majie Weisse of Abilene visited her aunt, Lois Buchanan.

Adele and Stephanie Russell of Everman and Bill Fairbetter visited Lucretia and Junior Fairbetter on Sunday.

Bertie Self enjoyed her visitors who were Laneta Rodgers of Arlington, Dave Freeman of Dallas, Joe Barnett of Eastland; Elmer and Donnie Ruth Mathison of Carbon, Juanita Files, Christine and Cecil Self, Vera Rodgers and Nancy Hendricks.

Dorothy Roberts gave Cleo Clem-

ent and Cynthia Earles permanents.

Those visiting Berta Poyner were Burt and Tina Frasier, James, Ruby Lee and Olga Kinser, Bro. Joe O'Neal and Lois Buchanan.

Those coming for the Tuesday singing were Ava Rodgers, Velma Bennett, Berneice Rodgers, Willo Rice, Billie Stacy, R. Lee McDaniel, Dorothy Roberts, Frankie Jo Shipman and Nancy Hendricks.

Peggy Sutton visited Garnet Adams.

Those visiting Clara Rich were Betty Montgomery, Marvin Rich, Louise Rich, Edith Underhill, Mayvis Lasater, Frances Overstreet, Jewel Whitley of Dublin, Wilma and Terry Holt of De Leon.

Mr. and Mrs. Verlon Overstreet of Ranger visited Roy Kinser.

Dixie Pack of Desdemona visited Emma Shugart.

Ione Bowns of Eastland, R. Lee McDaniel and Billie Stacy of Carbon visited Edna Morgan.

Gaynell Hicks of Covena, Calif., J. D. and Fern Grisham of Lake Havau City, Ariz., Tommy and Mildred Roberts visited Berta Thomas.

On Wednesday Gladys Chambliss Lenis Rice and Nancy Hendricks helped with bingo. Winners were

Ora Mae Atchison, Mae Quinn, Veno Hale, Cynthia Earles, Ida Lewis, Iola Johnson, Ruby Vandergriff, Dee Gilmore, Wilma Rawls and Garnet Adams.

Visiting Ruby Pullig were Earl and Virginia Stone of Granbury, Annie Faye Foster, Ima Brown, Frankie Jo Shipman, Jo Russell, Faye Brewer, Floy Morrison and Gladys Chambliss.

Lenis Rice of Carbon visited her sister, Iola Johnson.

Those visiting Ora Mae Atchison were Chessley and Barbara Atchison of Fort Worth, Elmer and Modell Watson of De Leon, Ima Lee Burleson of Desdemona and Maggie Morrison of Meridian.

On Friday Anna Rush and Nancy Hendricks helped with bingo. Winners were Dee Gilmore, Ora Mae Atchison, Veno Hale, Emma Shugart Ruby Vandergriff, Cynthia Earles, Iola Johnson, Garnet Adams and Mae Quinn.

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KOKOMO NEWS

ZELDA JORDAN -- PHONE 639-2289

We received more rain during the weekend. Reports were from about one and a half inches to two inches.

Mrs. R. V. Leslie of Comanche, Mrs. Deanna Chupp of Houston and David Brown were visitors at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday morning.

Those from the Kokomo Baptist Church going to the Canterbury Villa in Gorman for the church service on Sunday afternoon were Bro. and Mrs. Clarence Wilson, Claude Fuller Nancy Hendricks and Hope Joiner.

Mrs. R. V. Leslie of Comanche visited during the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Browning and Gary.

Lucille Joiner of Stephenville was visiting with her mother, Mrs. Bill Joiner on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Oren Webb visited in Granbury on Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. James Webb and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ottis Griffith were visiting in Midland the weekend of March 4th with Mrs. Janie Griffith, Chad and Lara, to help Chad and Lara celebrate their birthdays. Lara's birthday was Feb. 22 and Chad's was March 9.

Mr. and Mrs. Elda Goodson and Mrs. Cecile Smith, all of Freer, were recent visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Ottis Griffith. Mr. and Mrs. Burl Griffith and Mrs. D. L. Griffith, all from Forsan, and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Burleson of Fort Worth, were visiting with the Ottis Griffiths this week.

Mrs. Carl Freeman, Matthew, Cliff and Blaine of Denison, were visiting with Bro. Joe O'Neal and

Mrs. Albert Hendricks. Other visitors with Mrs. Hendricks during the week were Paula Clymer of Conroe, Velma Bennett of Gorman and Glenn and Zelda Jordan.

Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Eaves and Mr. and Mrs. Randy Lewis and Christopher of Ennis were recent visitors in Houston with Mr. and Mrs. Neil Eaves. Mr. Neil Eaves is very seriously ill in a hospital in Houston. He has been in ICU since Dec. 28. We hope and pray that he will soon be better and can return home.

We lost another good friend and neighbor this past week.

Our sincere sympathy to the family of Alvin Lasater, who died on Wednesday, March 7th and was buried in the Simpson Cemetery following funeral services at Gorman on Friday. Alvin and Merle were long time residents of Kokomo before moving to Gorman a few years ago, and very active in all community activities, especially the Simpson Cemetery Association and Kokomo Community Club, the Primitive Baptist Church, and he will be missed.

Deanna Chupp of Houston and Ruth Spencer of Boerne are visiting with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cullen Rodgers, this week.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Morrow visited in Levelland on Friday with Mrs. Gladys Morrow, Alma Lee Creager and Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Campbell and family.

On Saturday they had their annual "get-together" to celebrate March birthdays in the family in the home of Mrs. Erlene Blakney at Lubbock.

Those celebrating birthdays were Gladys Morrow, Alma Lee Creager, Mildred Campbell, Naoma Morrow, Cody Campbell and Ronnie Campbell.

Those present to enjoy the celebration were Gladys Morrow, Alma Lee Creager, Mildred and Jiggs Campbell and Cody Campbell, all of Levelland, Ronnie and Sharon Campbell and grandchildren, Seth, Jeremy and Cayla of Denver, Colo., J. L. and Naoma Morrow of Kokomo, Larry and Paula Morrow, Lance, Layne and Lenny of Plains, Scott, Inez and Roy Clayton of O'Donnell, Mike Blakney and Marge Mehaffey of Lubbock, and the Hostess, Erlene Blakney.

Mrs. Berneice Rodgers, Jonna Rodgers of Eastland, Clydell and Vada Lewis and Grant Lewis of Desdemona, Kim Cauthern and Julie Ann of Graham were dinner guests of John and La Tonne Rodgers on Sunday. The occasion was to celebrate Jonna Rodgers and Vada Lewis's birthdays. Jonna was 21 on March 7. Kim brought the beautiful birthday cake.

Dwayne, Connie, Sheri and Lisa Snider of Stephenville were supper guests of Mrs. Hazel Snider on Monday night. Lisa remained for a visit this week with her grandmother while she is on spring break from school.

Ted Snider had dinner with his mother, Mrs. Hazel Snider, last Tuesday. Mrs. Hazel Snider was a recent visitor with Mrs. Carrie Frasier.

Norma Webb visited last week in Round Rock with David and Judy Porter, Scarlett, Amanda and Sarah Elizabeth.

Joyce Gilbert of Houston and Glenn Gilbert of Tarleton State University are visiting this week with Mrs. Berneice Rodgers and the Floyd Gilberts in Gorman while Glenn is on spring break.

Rev. Jimmy Nelson of Obregon, Mexico, visited during the week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Nelson, his sister, Cassie Rasco, and his son, Travis Nelson. Travis returned home with him for a visit with his parents, and sister, Teresa, during spring break from Cisco Junior College.

Denise Simmel and Jenna of Eastland visited with her grandmother, Mrs. Bill Joiner, on Tuesday afternoon.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWS

KINDERGARTEN

The Kindergarten had a fun time in February because of the Valentine party and a two-day vacation. They really enjoyed handing out Valentines to their friends.

The most fun was receiving Valentines from their friends. The teacher enjoyed the Valentine candy she received.

I want to thank the parents who helped with the Valentine party.

This month Kindergarten will be studying about Texas, the Six Flags of Texas, and the four states and the country that borders Texas. We will also learn the state symbols that represent Texas, as well as some other interesting facts about our state.

MRS. BURLESONS CLASS

Our class went to Cisco on February 14th with the elementary to see the play "The Prince Who Didn't Talk." Afterwards we had our Valentine party at school.

February birthdays were Mike Torres, February 21, and Kristina Turner, February 26. Kristina celebrated her birthday with a party at the fire hall.

Kendra Roberts has a birthday party planned at the fire hall on March 7. Mark Glover's birthday is March 13, and Irma Lopez's birthday is March 16. Happy Birthday to all these First Graders.

SECOND GRADE - 2B

Grade 2B had an eventful February. We got to see the play "The Prince Who Couldn't Talk" at Cisco Junior College. When we returned we ate lunch and shortly afterwards had our Valentine party with many goodies. Jackson Worsham missed this as he was in Arkansas.

Ashley Rich, Chris Fox and William Curb had birthdays this month.

We lost one student, April Longoria. We hope she enjoys school at Carbon.

We want to congratulate Ashley Rich on winning fourth with her rabbit in the Eastland County Stock Show.

William is happy, he has a new puppy.

All of the students are working hard preparing for their achievement tests.

SECOND GRADE - 2A

The second grade, along with grades 1, 3 and 4 attended a play at Cisco Junior College on February 14. The play, "The Prince Who Wouldn't Talk," was very funny.

When we returned to school from the play we had our Valentine party. We had Cokes and cookies. We had fun reading all our Valentine cards.

We enjoyed the break from school for the stock show days Feb. 15 and 16. Pam Osborne showed her rabbits at the stock show. She won third place. Congratulations, Pam!

Cole Sandlin showed a pig for a friend at the stock show and it won third place.

We are studying Texas in social studies. We have learned a lot of new things about our state.

We are looking forward to Spring break.

MRS. GIBBS 3A CLASS

Ruth Reeves had a birthday January 29th. She was 9 years old.

We had a Valentine party February 14. It was fun getting Valentines from each other. After the party we went home and had 2 days off because of the stock show.

Blake Guthery placed 4th with his rabbits. Several boys placed well in the RA Trackmeet.

Justin Patel placed first in 50 yard dash, long jump, 2-man shuttle and 2nd place in softball throw. Blake Guthery placed second in 2-man shuttle and 3rd in softball throw.

Richard Nowlain won the District Coloring Contest sponsored by the Soil and Water Conservation. Richard and his family and teacher will attend a banquet March 12 to receive his award.

February was a fun month.

MRS. GOOD'S 4A CLASS

On Valentines Day, Grades 1-4 went to Cisco Junior College to see a play by their drama department. This is our second year to go and we always enjoy their plays very much.

Fourth grade does not have a party on Valentines Day, but everyone enjoyed exchanging cards. Both classes made cards for patients in Veterans Hospitals in Texas.

No one had a February birthday.

Clay Sandlin, Janice Glover and Reece Clark showed animals in the Eastland County Stock Show. We did real well winning 3 second places, one third, two fourths and one reserve champion. Reece showed in Houston and had a second place hog.

Science projects over simple machines were assigned to be turned in the first of March. You can see them in the hallway outside our classroom.

FIFTH GRADE CLASS

The fifth grade reporters for the month of January were Miriam Sanchez, Summer Clark and Ramiro

Madera.

We really enjoyed a visit we had from Mrs. Glover (School Councilor). She spoke to us four days on peer pressure reversal (P.P.R.).

One day we practiced roles playing some of the situations we had discussed. It was very interesting. She had some good ideas about how to say no, and keep your friends.

Chasta Lee Ann Underwood moved to Aledo January 22. We received a letter from her two weeks ago. "Good Luck, Chasta!"

The fifth and sixth grades have been practicing band together. Mis. Canady is going to take us to contest in March at Cisco Junior College. We are busy practicing, practicing, practicing.

We have been working on teams objectives. We take our writing, math and reading teams test February 6-7-8.

FIFTH GRADE CLASS

We had a wonderful Valentines Day. We exchanged Valentine cards. We had a surprise visit from Chasta Lee Ann Underwood that day.

The birthdays this month are Keri Scitern and Jennifer Carroll. Keri is on the 2nd and Jennifer's the 23rd.

We had a class meeting to vote for reporters of the month. They are Sabrina Glasson, Jenny Goode and C. M. Avery.

The whole fifth grade class is relieved the fourth six weeks is over. 20 people made the honor roll.

Mrs. Bear is astonished about how well we have improved in basketball. We have brought some people from disliking basketball to becoming the best players on the team. We had a tournament at Rising Star Feb. 10th. The boys got third and the girls got fifth. We also had another tournament at Gorman Feb. 26th thru March 3rd. The girls got fifth and the boys got sixth. They were both very exciting.

Feb. 15th and 16th we had a local stock show. It included Marla Scott and Bryan of the fifth grade. Marla's hog went to Houston on the 27th and placed 8th. "Wow! Way to go Marla!"

Everyone is excited about UIL coming up. We have had tons of try outs this month.

In math we have been struggling with making change. We're finally getting the hang of it.

We had an interesting chapter over sound in science. Mrs. Bean borrowed a tuning fork from Mrs. Potter so we could feel, see and listen to the vibrations. Some of our class had never seen one before.

We had two class experiments this last six weeks. One of them was by Marla, which included sound waves. The other one was a class experiment where you muffled the sound waves directly to your ear.

—GP—



When female elephants fight, it is said, they usually try to bite off each other's tail.

THE GORDON SPOT

BY DE MARQUIS GORDON

WEEK OF MARCH 7

We get questions every year about the proper time to prune roses. Early March is the best time to prune roses in Eastland County. Hybrid Teas, Floribundas and Grandifloras are usually pruned heavily at this time (down to 18"-24" from the ground). Weak or dead canes should be removed or shortened to healthy tissue anytime during the year. Weak growth along with canes that cross and some general thinning can be accomplished at this time. Some rose growers prefer a less drastic approach to annual pruning. Shaping the plants and cutting back the vigorous canes one-fourth to one-third their length can result in more attractive plants, especially for old shrub-type roses. Care should be taken to prune most climbers and one-time bloomers after they flower in the spring so as not to reduce their seasonal show.

Most old garden roses are attractive landscape plants with a pleasing natural form. This form should still be apparent after pruning. In addition to pruning in late winter, some rosarians cut plants back moderately in mid-August. This practice along with a light application of fertilizer can help promote fall flowering.

The Texas Horticulture industry is still in the process of determining the effects of record low temperatures that swept across the state in December. Plant losses have been extensive, with the citrus industry being hit the worst. Nursery and green-

house producers estimate a loss of 10-20%, while vegetable producers lost approximately 30 percent of the planted acreage.

Many landscape plants were also severely damaged as the result of these cold temperatures. However, the extent of injury will probably not be totally evident until spring.

Since frozen plants look so bad, the practical thing to do is to prune back the obvious dead wood so the remaining landscape is a little more appealing. Once this is done research has shown that further pruning should be delayed until first spring flush has hardened off. At this time, cut back all limbs to healthy wood. This practice will result in the best plants in the shortest time.

WEEK OF MARCH 15

The rains have been generous the last 30 days and a beautiful green spring appears to be just ahead. Maybe this will be the year that we will not have that late fruit-killing freeze. If you want disease free, worm free fruit, now is the time to begin your spray schedule. Peach, plum, and apricot trees should be sprayed when 75 percent of the petals have fallen.

The spray should contain an insecticide and a fungicide to control diseases such as Brown Rot and Scab and insects such as worms and sucking insects. Recommended fungicides include Benomyl, Chlorothalonil (Bravo or Daconil), Captan, Sulphur or Thiophanatemethyl.

GORMAN HIGH SCHOOL 1990 BASEBALL SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
MAR. 19	Stephenville JV	Stephenville	4:30
MAR. 22	Ranger Tourney	Ranger (RJC)	8:00
MAR. 23	Ranger Tourney	Ranger (RHS)	TBA
MAR. 24	Ranger Tourney	Ranger (RHS)	TBA
MAR. 27	Huckabay	Huckabay	TBA
MAR. 30	Stephenville JV	Gorman	4:00
APR. 3	Hamilton	Hamilton	TBA
APR. 6	Gordon	Gorman	4:30
APR. 10	*Eula	Gorman	4:30
APR. 17	*Cross Plains	Gorman	4:30
APR. 20	*Lingleville	Lingleville	TBA
APR. 24	*Baird	Baird	TBA
MAY 1	Cisco	Cisco	TBA
MAY 4	*Eula	Eula	5:30
MAY 8	*Cross Plains	Cross Plains	TBA
MAY 11	*Lingleville	Gorman	4:30
MAY 15	*Baird	Gorman	4:30

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A Cobbler Contest and Mexican Dinner will highlight the celebration of the American Legion Post and Unit 471 on their 71st birthday on Thursday, March 15th at the Legion Hall in De Leon.

There will be a Cobbler (any kind) Contest. Cobblers to be at the Legion Hall at 6 p. m. Judging of the cobblers will be at 6:30 p. m.

A Mexican dinner will be served

just as soon as the cobblers are judged. Birthday cake cutting will take place after the dinner.

The speaker for the evening will be Mr. Grady W. (Wes) Vaughn, the Department of Texas Service Officer from the V. A. Regional Office in Waco.

After the program the cobblers will be auctioned off to the highest bidder.

Clean Up Day At County Fair Grounds March 17

Well it is time for what we all have been waiting for with excited anticipation, Clean Up Day! I realize that in all honesty this is not the most treasured day of the our stock show, but it is a task that must be done. I think that the county show has been a big success up till now and with your help we can make a huge success for 1990. What we need to realize is that we can't call an end to the stock show for 1990 until all the grounds are clean and the pens are put up.

KEEPING UP WITH FRIENDS

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Dean Ragland of Eastland and Larry Ragland of Andrews were visitors with their grandfather, C. E. Ragland. They also attended the funeral of their uncle, Alvin Lasater, on Friday.

So we are asking for your help one more time on Saturday, March 17 at 9 a. m. It will not take long if everyone will try to show up and help. All 4-H and FFA families who exhibited animals at the county stock show are urged to be in attendance.

Services For J. P. Westmoreland On Monday

J. P. Westmoreland, 84, of Hamlin passed away Saturday, March 10 in the Hamlin Hospital.

Services were held at 2 p. m. Monday at Neinda Baptist Church with the Rev. Frank Codington officiating. Burial was in Neinda Cemetery directed by Foster-Adams Funeral Home.

Mr. Westmoreland was born in Gorman and moved to Jones County in 1843. He was a retired farmer and rancher and was a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife, Alice Brightwell Westmoreland of Hamlin; two sons, Gene Westmoreland of Abilene and Teddy of Kermit; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

—GP—

Look Who's New

Mr. and Mrs. Shane Lowrie and Nathaniel Shane of Wilson have welcomed Kimera Sharee to their home. She was born Monday, January 15, at 1:23 p. m. in St. Mary of the Plains Hospital in Lubbock. Kimera weighed 5 pounds and 14 ounces and is 20 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Euell Allison of Gorman. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Lavoid Lowrie of Ropesville.

Maternal grandmother is Mrs. Ethel Lovell of Carbon. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Lamm of Seminole and Mr. and Mrs. Leon Lowrie of Ropesville. Paternal great-grandfather is William Hudson Loveless of Seminole.

—GP—

Rosa Aguilar Entertains Kokomo EH Club Memebers

The Kokomo Extension Homemakers Club met in the beautiful home of Rosa Aguilar on Monday, March 12 at 2 p. m. for a regular monthly meeting.

President Naoma Morrow presided, leading the clubs creed and prayer. Mary Frances Bishop led the opening prayer.

Roll call was answered by "What Is My License Number?"

Nancy Hendricks gave the secretary's report. Norma Webb gave the treasurers report.

The club voted to send \$100 to the Gorman Fire Department, \$100 to the Carbon Fire Department and \$100 to West Texas Rehab Center in Abilene.

Mary Frances gave the council report. She stated the "Good Samaritan Training Program" would be Tuesday, March 27 at Daugherty Street Church of Christ in Eastland. Members are urged to attend.

Norma Webb has been elected a delegate to District 8 TEHA Convention. The quilting for 4-H members will be at Olden Community Center on April 24th. A quilt will be made and sold and the money donated to 4-H members.

Norma Webb gave the program "How Much Insurance Is Enough?" She gave a very educational talk and gave some very informative information.

Mrs. Aguilar used the St. Patrick theme. The white tablecloth had green shamrocks and green napkins with silver and crystal appointments. Hi-Ho Crackers, parched pecans, green congealed salad, green shamrock shaped cookies, candy and green lemonade were the delicious refreshments.

Members present were Velma Bennett, Berneice Rodgers, Norma Webb, Mary Frances Bishop, Naoma Morrow, Wynelle Brown, Nancy Hendricks and the hostess, Rosa Aguilar.

The next meeting will be 4-H program at the Kokomo Community Center. Nancy Hendricks will be the hostess.

Reporter, Nancy Hendricks
—GP—

Central Texas Cattle Auction Report For March 9

Following is the dairy market report for the Central Texas Cattle Auction at Lometa for Friday, March 9th:

Dairy Consignor No 1: 16 head Holstein cows with an average weight of 1443 pounds and average price of \$52.09 per CWT.

Dairy Consignor No. 2: 9 head Holstein cows with an average weight of 1435 pounds and average price of \$51.28 per CWT.

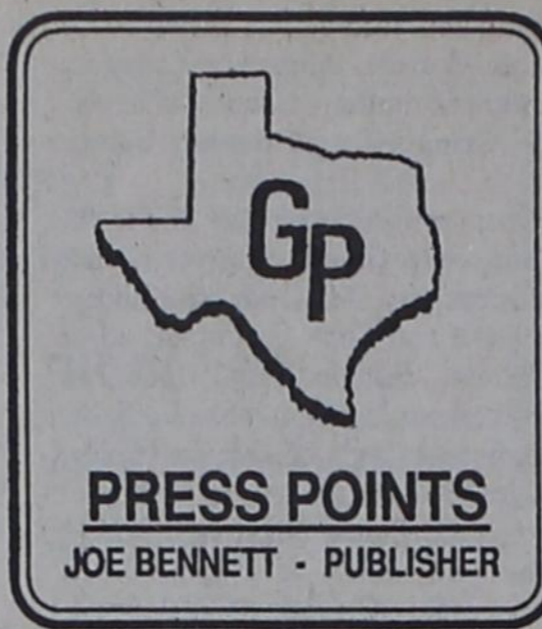
Dairy Consignor No. 3: 2 head Holstein cows with an average weight of 1250 pounds and average price of \$54.50 per CWT.

Weekly auctions are held on Fridays beginning at 1 p. m.

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KEEPING UP WITH FRIENDS

Mrs. Wade Craddock, Jr., Sheryle and friend of Las Cruces, N. M. and Mrs. Letty Craddock of Ranger were visitors Tuesday with Merle Lasater, Mary Hudson and Estelle Craddock.



We have received some very good rains the past several days. This moisture sure makes the outlook much brighter for the upcoming crops. It seems most all of the farmers are ready to get started when the weather clears so they can get in the fields to start the preparation of land in getting things into shape for planting.

The recent rains have really brought the grain and cover crops to a bright shade of green. This is also a bright spot for the farmers. The largest part of all the stock tanks and reservoirs are full to capacity. This will help the outlook as far as the area ranching is concerned. The grazing prospects should be a lot brighter with this moisture.

—J—

Our congratulations to all the winners in the Primary Elections. The count was real slow coming in in Eastland County, but after the final count was made, the figures showed that V. O. Huff, the incumbent, had defeated Hershell Cordell by a margin of 276 to 200. Huff carried both Gorman and Carbon to win the race.

In the District Attorney's race, Leslie Vance came out with a total of 2160 to win the race without a runoff over the incumbent Emery Walton, with a total of 1344, and Truman Kirk with a total of 806. This was at first thought to be a run-off battle between Walton and Vance, but Vance pulled ahead in the late counting and came on the with the race without a run-off by the margin of 10 votes.

In the County Clerk race Kathy Trout Hallum came in first with a total of 1238 votes to make the run-off with Bill Mears, who polled 1205 votes. June Hicks totaled 1084 votes and Darrell Shipman had a total of 665. So this should make for a very tight run-off battle between Hallum and Mears.

In the County Judge race the incumbent Scott Bailey easily outdistanced his challenger Bill Sikes to win re-election. Bailey polled 2904 votes while Sikes tallied 2115.

So again we congratulate the winners and the run-off candidates and wish them well in the run-off race.

—J—

Received a couple of notes the other day:
Dear Joe -

Got your renewal notice last week so I guess I better make out the check before I forget it like I did last year.

I see by the news reports that Texas is getting lots of rain. Tell you what - you let us (Calif.) have some of your rain and we will let you have a few of our earthquakes and aftershocks. I felt the one last Wednesday. Just the rattling of windows and small movement of the house, but no damage.

Mrs. Vonnie Guthery (who writes for your paper) was very helpful in getting the addresses of my stepbrother and sister for me. I had lost track of them after my dad's death. I saw Homer Lancaster's name in the paper that he had been in Desdemona for a class reunion. I wrote Mrs. Guthery and she gave me Homer's and Margaret Pool's addresses. I thank her for all of her help. I may come home for a visit this fall and I will thank her in person.

Hope this letter finds all of you in good health.

My best to all of you.
Medadell Williams

Hello Joe!
Keep on sending the paper. We enjoy keeping up with things in Gorman.

La Venia Echols
—J—

The campaigning should be real strong in the run-off elections ahead. The candidates will be real busy going out to round up votes. The Run-off Election will be Tuesday, April 10th. So let's all decide who will get our vote and be ready to go back to the polls and vote on April 10th.

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And remember to smile - because God Loves You!

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Auditions For The 1990 Summer Dinner Theatre

Auditions for the 1990 summer dinner theatre season will be Saturday, March 24th from 10 a. m. until 4 p. m. Directors are looking for singers, dancers and actors to perform in a variety of roles. Auditioners must sing a song of their choice (a tape player will be provided but no accompanist) and be prepared to perform some simple dance steps.

Fisher County teen fetches \$180,000 for champion steer

By J.T. SMITH
Farm Editor

HOUSTON — They might as well erect a sign in Fisher County that proudly proclaims it the home of



Jeffrey

Ryan Jeffrey, the young man who not only showed the 1990 Grand Champion Steer of the Houston Livestock Show, but also watched his steer bring a world record price here Saturday — shattering the previous record.

The soft-spoken Jeffrey, 18, would be the last to think of himself as a hero. The somewhat shy Fisher County 4-H'er, who also excels in athletics and academics, thinks of himself as just another senior at Hamlin High School.

But to be sure — the homefolks back in Fisher County were already bursting at the seams with pride when they got word that Ryan had won the world's largest steer show Friday night.

And some probably had to pinch themselves to see if they were dreaming — or maybe had a bad phone connection — when they heard that "Baldy," his 1,237-pound Limousin steer, brought \$180,000 during Saturday's auction.

Just two weeks ago, Jeffrey exhibited the grand champion of the highly competitive 1990 San Antonio Stock Show with another Limousin steer he called "Red 7."

That San Antonio grand champion brought Jeffrey \$55,000 in the spirited Feb. 16 auction, beating San Antonio's previous record for a grand steer by a solid \$10,000 margin.

Now — just two weeks later — Jeffrey has haltered the Houston grand champion with another Limousin, and watched his steer humble a world record that had held firmly for six years at Houston.

The previous record paid for a Houston grand champion was when world-renowned oil field firefighter Paul "Red" Adair paid \$150,000 for the top steer in 1984.

On Saturday, Baldy brought an astounding "\$145.51 per pound" on hoof. When the wild bidding was finally at an end, LeRoy and Lucile

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WITH FRIENDS

Mr. and Mrs. Snooks Craddock of Sundown visited Thursday to Sunday with her mother, Modell Crawley, and his sisters, Merle Lasater and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hudson. They attended the funeral of Alvin Laster on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bennett and Lonnie Bennett visited in Eastland on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. James Schuman and Jacquelynn, and helped Jacquelynn celebrate her 4th birthday. She was also celebrating a case of the chicken pox.

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4-H NEWS

4-H MEMBERS WIN

Lara Stacy, member of the Olden 4-H Club, was a first place winner in the Eastland County 4-H Project Show. Lara's entry was a decorated tee shirt in the clothing division. (Sorry, Lara, that your name was omitted in the previous news article.)

Jonna Wallace: News comes that Jonna, Ranger 4-H'er, took many honors with her champion rabbits at the San Angelo Livestock Show. Congratulations to Jonna!

COUNTY 4-H CONTESTS

The County 4-H Contests will be Friday, March 30th from 5 to 6:30 p. m. at the Eastland National Bank Community Room. Over 40 contest areas are available which include method demonstrations, illustrated talks, and judging events. Contests provide 4-H'ers with experiences to gain knowledge related to a project and develop public speaking skills.

Contact Extension Agents Scott Hodges and Mrs. Janet Thomas at 629-1093 or 629-2222 for more information.

ASK A TEENAGER ABOUT THE FACTS OF LIFE

Our guess is you'll find out some things you never knew before. About sex. Drugs! And what it's like growing up in a world that gets faster and more confusing with each passing day.

At 4-H, we give young people alternatives they can live with. We teach responsibility, foster self-esteem and help them make the right decisions. . . about everything from which chemicals to keep out of their bodies. . . to which foods to put in!

Contact your Eastland County Extension office today at 629-2222 or stop by our office in the courthouse basement, westend. We will give you more facts about 4-H. Eastland County has 10 4-H Clubs and over 100 adult leaders supporting and guiding our youth!

Shows chosen for the 1990 season are Little Shop of Horrors, directed by Tom Brown; Broadway Magic directed by Scott Taylor; and Hello, Dolly directed by Carol Brown.

For more information call Carol Brown at CJC 817-442-2589.

Melcher, along with Evie and Frank Melcher, had combined forces among the Houston crowd of buyers to get the final bid of \$180,000 for Ryan's steer.

That compares with \$97,000 paid for the Houston grand champion last year.

Meanwhile, Cheyenne Dunn, 14, a Gaines County 4-H member from Seminole, watched her reserve grand champion — a Maine-Anjou and Angus cross — bring \$110,000 Saturday. That, too, was a world record for a reserve steer — breaking a nine-year-old record here. The previous high for a reserve animal in Houston was \$90,000 paid by a collective group of five buyers in 1981.

Cheyenne's reserve was purchased by Kate and Jim Goode, and son, Levi, of Houston.

Like Jeffrey, who wants to use his money toward college at Tarleton State University in Stephenville, Cheyenne said she also plans to target the money from her 1,219-pound steer toward her college education.

Certainly, Jeffrey, a Hamlin High senior who played quarterback and powerback for the Pied Pipers, should now have a good financial start toward college.

His two Limousin steers, "Red 7" and "Baldy" — as grand champions of San Antonio and Houston shows — have collectively brought in \$235,000 in two weeks.

What's more, last year — as a junior — the Fisher County 4-H'er just barely missed the top prize when he showed Houston's 1989 Reserve Grand Champion Steer. Last year's reserve steer brought him \$67,000 in the Houston auction.

Although coming so close last year — and not winning grand — may have seemed like a huge disappointment to Ryan at the time, it was actually an enormous financial blessing in disguise to the dedicated student.

Indeed, if Jeffrey had shown Houston's grand champion steer in 1989, show rules would have strictly prohibited him from exhibiting a steer in Houston this year. But instead, Jeffrey got to bounce back in 1990 — his senior year and last time to show in Houston — and take all the marbles.

All together for Jeffrey, last year's Houston reserve, and both the 1990 San Antonio and Houston champs, have brought in \$302,000 on three steers — for an average of better than \$100,000 per animal.

One thing is certain, Jeffrey got a pretty good return on his investment in Baldy.

He only paid \$2,700 for the steer that, under his dedicated feeding and grooming — often in sub-freezing temperatures — went on to sell for more than 66 times that.

Extension Homemakers News

The Extension Homemakers Council met this past week. All club members planning to attend the District Convention were to pre-register by March 10th. A \$10 convention fee which includes lunch, insurance, building usage fee, etc., is payable by March 20th.

Voting delegates to the District Convention on April 12th, at the State 4-H Center are: Mrs. Arleta Shirey of Pleasant Hill EH Club; Mrs. Edith Wilson of Morton Valley EH Club; and Mrs. Norma Webb of the Kokomo EH Club. Mrs. Maebell Meredith of Olden EH will be alternate delegate.

It was good to welcome Dorothy Underwood who attended Council. Dorothy is a faithful leader who has experienced health problems recently. Dorothy reminded Council that she had pieced a quilt to be given to 4-H as a fund raising project.

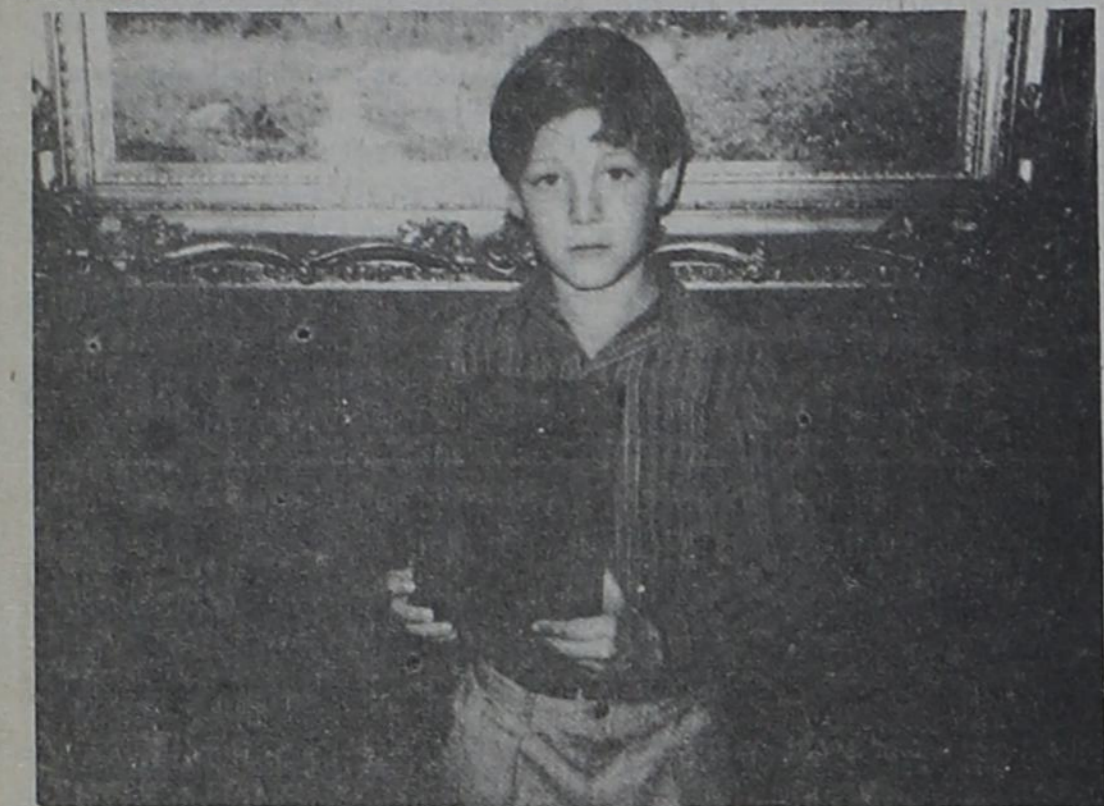
Everyone is excited to have a "4-H Quilting Day" on Tuesday, April 24th at the Olden Community Center. We will start at 9 a. m. and bring a sack lunch.

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KEEPING UP

Visitors with Esther Bolt on Saturday were her children, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dunn and Eric of Arlington and Mr. and Mrs. John Paul Bolt and Greg of Eastland.

Weekend visitors with Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Holliday were Debbie and Melissa Sanders of Odessa, Ruth Sanders and Louis Waller of De Leon and Hulon Hogan of Lake Leon.



SWCD COLORING CONTEST WINNER - Richard Nowlain, a third grader in Goman Elementary School, is shown with the trophy he was presented at the Soil and Water Conservation Banquet held at the PAR Country Club on Monday night.

Richard is the son of Elmo and Brenda Nowlain of Desdemona, and his teacher is Linda Gibbs.

Congratulations Richard!!



SWCD CONSERVATION AWARD WINNERS - Charles and Carolyn Little of Kokomo are shown being presented a trophy by Grover Hallmark of the Eastland National Bank in honor of being named the Conservation Award Winners of Zone 5 of the Upper Leon Soil and Water Conservation District at the banquet held at PAR Country Club on Monday night.

An outstanding presentation of their conservation practices, etc. was shown in a color slide presentation.

Congratulations to Charles and Carolyn!!

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Gorman Masonic Lodge No. 716 A.F. & A.M. Regular stated meetings are 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Members are urged to attend. Visitors are always welcome. Bill Clark, W.M., 734-2429 - Howard Hagood, Sec. 734-2977.

NEED HELP???

We would like to invite you to join our OPEN NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS meetings. Meetings will be held at the old Fire Hall in Gorman at 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday nights.

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 Primitive Baptist Church has Services on 2nd - 3rd - 4th Sundays. Services begin at 10:30 a.m. Elder Barry Brown, Pastor - Everyone Welcome To Attend.

The Order of the Eastern Star holds its regular stated meetings on the first Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. - Sandra Osborne, Worthy Matron - 734-2807.

NOTICE!!

To Renew your License Plates for You Auto Nancy Trout, Eastland County Tax Collector will be at Smith Bros. Chevrolet on the Third Wednesday of each Month.

The Next Date will be March 21st.