



By Kernel Gene, aPe

My sincere thanks to Raymond Butts, Baptist Minister who delivered one of the most comforting messages I have ever heard at Ed Clark's funeral Saturday. One could almost feel the pressure of grief being lifted from relatives and friends who filled the Methodist Church.

Ed was in training camp before I moved to Gorman. On his return home I watched him fight an uphill battle striving to re-adjust to civilian life. He left Gorman a boy and returned a man. We, who have never known the strain of military service and combat, have no way of knowing what the returned soldier thought or experienced during his re-adjustment period. Especially young men like Ed who were bearing unhealed scars of battle. Perhaps some of us were critical at times. If so, we bow our head in humility and shame only now fully realizing the magnificent struggle Ed made to become a cog in the insignificant machinery of civilian life.

Ed started a diary when he first entered service but only made the following entries: "June 15, 1943 - I entered the United States Army. In a way it was a sad deal. And in a way it was a good moment. To serve the Army should be a pleasure to any American."

The first day in the Army was hard for me to get use to. They had us taking tests and this and that. It was all new to me just as it was new to other millions of boys.

The day before I was supposed to ship out I took sick and had an operation. I stayed in the hospital 24 days then I got a 14 day furlough. I stayed one week at my Reception Center. On Monday morning July 26 they shipped me to Camp Fannin, Texas. Here we had to take 17 weeks basic training. This training is supposed to be one of the roughest in the States and I think I lived up to it too. Sometimes I was really disgusted with the Army. Especially when we had all night problems and had to eat rations.

Now I am waiting for shipping orders. I sailed from Frisco January 10, 1944. Where we were going was unknown to most. The boat ride over was very uncomfortable. We had to take it but we didn't have to take it like they wanted us to.

We landed at New Caledonia January 23. From the docks we went to the 6th Repl. Depot. We went through another processing nearly the same as when we came into the Army. I was assigned to the 43 Div. Feb. 20.

We sailed for New Zealand March 4 to join the Division. We landed in New Zealand March 7. The only men from the Division to meet us was the Advance Party. Their business was to clean up an area for their company.

The following week the Division came in. I was assigned to F Co. of the 2nd. Bat., 172 Regt."

Two buddies put notes in Ed's diary.

My acquaintances are few but you stand out as a soldier well met, trustworthy and dependable. Those virtues Ed are worth a million. Keep them. Til we meet again at the National Legion convention - good luck pal.

Paul R. Alfonsi, Pence, Wis. "Remember this basic we have just completed and all the hard luck you and I have had."

Your pal, Walter N. Waltman, Haylehurst, Miss.

Palm Springs, California -

August 1, 1945 was one of the most beautiful days I have ever seen, and one of the happiest in my life. I guess when every soldier gets that piece of paper, that day will also be their happiest day as well as mine."

As Rev. Butts so aptly stated, "Man was not promised freedom from pain and sorrow in this world but he will find eternal happiness and freedom in the hereafter. Eddie has found that which he sought."

SOUTHWESTERN SHELLERS ASK STANDARDIZATION U. S. GRADES

A committee of Southwestern Peanut Shellers appeared before a hearing of the Department of Agriculture in Washington on January 23, 24 and 25th, requesting that the Department change

the U. S. Grades on Peanuts to a Standard grade for all three of the peanut areas. This committee, composed of A. S. Moake, San Antonio, John Haskins, Durant, Oklahoma, M. E. Shell, Gorman, Texas, I. Schwartz, Houston, George Freemant, Houston, Pat Cagle, Comanche, Bill Conway, San Antonio and John Burroughs of Portales, New Mexico, stated that if the grades were Standardized this would eliminate the present discrimination against the Growers and Shellers of the Southwest.

For the past three years the Federal Government has been purchasing over 5,000,000 pounds of peanut butter each year for the school lunch program and all of these purchases have been made in the Southeast or East because of the price and grade differences. This amounts to over 6,000,000 pounds of peanuts annually and the Government officials stated that they intended to continue buying in this market as long as the prices were lower. The Shellers were asking that the grades be standardized in order that all three areas could compete on an equal basis.

Mr. Shell states that in his opinion the manufacturers would prefer the Southwest Spanish peanut if they could buy it on the same price and grade basis, this would increase the demand for Spanish peanuts and would increase the price and acreage of the farmers in the Southwest.

Besides the school lunch programs the Government buys for Army use, for export and other agencies.

A decision on the question will not be reached for at least 30 days.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Huddleston of Austin were visiting friends and relatives in Gorman Monday.

Miss Beth Brightwell To Become Bride Of Bill Roy Bryan



Mr. and Mrs. Odie Brightwell have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Miss Minnie Beth Brightwell, to Mr. Bill Roy Bryan of Desdemona. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Truman Bryan, and at present is attending Texas Tech.

The wedding will be solemnized March 30, 1956 at 7:30 p. m. at the First Methodist Church of Gorman. All their friends and relatives are invited.

Mrs. Gladys Lucke has returned home from a visit to Abilene and Anson.

Miss Erin Linn Haile And Hugo Klappenbach Are Wed In Houston Church Ceremony



Miss Erin Linn Haile, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. French Rudolph Haile, was married to A/1c Hugo Klappenbach, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Klappenbach of Johnson City, at 2 p. m. Sunday, February 5, 1956 at Bering Methodist Church in Houston, Texas.

Dr. Marcus Chunn, minister of the church, officiated at the ceremony. Music was furnished by the church organist.

Miss Beth Haile was maid of

honor and Miss Gerry Haile was junior bridesmaid. A/1c Robert Hayes was best man.

The bride was given in marriage by her father.

A reception was given by Mrs. C. S. Williams and Mrs. Frank Haile, grandmother and aunt of the bride, in the home of Mrs. Haile.

The couple will reside in Pasadena, Texas after a short wedding trip to Galveston.

IT'S THE PUBLIC'S MONEY

For many years the Texas Press Association - of which the Gorman Progress, along with a vast majority of all Texas Newspapers, is a member - has suggested laws that would require governing bodies of the state, various districts, and municipalities, to open their records to the public.

In many instances, publication of minutes would be required, and in the case of agencies handling public funds, publication of a financial statement would be mandatory.

Some progress has been made in these efforts, but not nearly as much as the importance of the project justifies. There never has been a great deal of opposition to the TPA proposals. But they have been shunted aside for other matters.

Apathy - not opposition - has kept them off the statute books.

Now all Texas is concerned over the numerous, unsavory circumstances that have come to light the past few years. There have been the Duval county revelations; the veterans land investigations; the U. S. Trust and other insurance debacles; to say nothing of smaller local instances of corruption and abuse of public trust of which there have been many. (Eastland County had its share in the tax suits which cost taxpayers thousands of dollars.)

Men who are in a position to know - such as the Attorney General of Texas - say that none of these things could have gone on for long had there been adequate laws governing PUBLIC NOTICE. It is doubtful if any of them would have been attempted, had there been requirements that official actions be made public.

Proper public notice laws will prevent such things in the future. Such laws automatically lead to good government.

This is an election year. If you think public business should be made public, ask each candidate for the legislature how he feels about secrecy in government affairs. Vote for and support men who pledge themselves to help pass legislation requiring publication of financial reports by insurance companies, county treasurers and any and all persons who handle public funds.

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Mothers March Friday - 7 To 8

Funeral Services John Noble Davis Held On Sunday

John Noble Davis was born April 10, 1868 in Hays County, Texas where he spent his boyhood days. At the age of 15 he moved with his parents to Llano County. On his 21st birthday he was married to Miss Martha Ann Lumbly. To this union was born four children, John Jefferson, William W., Nancy Catherine, and Joe D. John Jefferson having died at the age of two years.

He moved to Brown County in the early part of 1900. On October 28, 1900 his wife passed away. There he met Miss Ella Eudora Almond and they were married on February 15, 1903. Five children were born to this union, Lillie Estella, Laura Francis, Elmer Lonnie, Pinkie Marie, and Gladys Elizabeth.

In 1908 Mr. Davis and family moved to Carbon, Texas where Gladys Elizabeth was born. In 1915 he moved to Gorman where he passed away on February 2, 1956.

In his childhood he attended the Methodist Church and in later life he attended the Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Ella and five daughters, Katie and Laura of Gorman, Mrs. Lillie Crocker of Selman City, Texas, Mrs. Marie Latham of Lamesa, Calif., and Mrs. Gladys Smith of Laird Hill, Texas, three sons, William W. Davis of Big Spring, Tex., Joe D. Davis of Odessa, Texas, and Elmer Lonnie Davis of Texarkana, Texas, and eleven grandchildren and twelve great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at Higginbotham Funeral Home at 2 o'clock Sunday. Rev. M. A. Pennington of the First Baptist Church officiated, interment was in the De Leon Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Bill Parr, Odus Rodgers, W. F. Davis, and Harold Crocker.

Charles M. Walker Likes Air Force

A B Charles M. Walker will complete his basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas on February 24th. Before entering the service Charles worked as a carpenter and is now studying Construction in the Air Corps.



Charles has written home that he likes the service and intends to rejoin when his four years are completed. He volunteered for the service and joined the Air Corps at Abilene.

Charles' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Walker, Route One, Carbon, Texas are former residents of Pearl, Coryell County, where Charles attended school.

Attends Funeral Of Kin In Comanche

Mr. and Mrs. John Kimble attended the funeral of her brother-in-law, John A. Barton at Comanche Monday, February 6th.

Mr. Barton was noted for his interest in agricultural having spent 31 years as a county agent in Comanche and Runnels counties. During this time he received three awards for distinguished work in this field.

Old Bayonet Wound Is Fatal To Edward Clark

Funeral services for Edward Clark, 31, were held Saturday, February 4 at 2 p. m. at the Gorman Methodist Church. The Rev. J. W. Sharbutt, pastor of the church, officiated with the assistance of the Rev. Raymond Butts, pastor of the Liberty Baptist Church where Mrs. Ed Clark has her membership. Interment followed in the Gorman Cemetery.



John Edward Clark was born September 23, 1924 at Gorman, and died February 3, 1956. His death was caused by a heart ailment which was the result of a bayonet wound received in the Philippine Islands invasion in World War II. The bayonet narrowly missed his heart and had left his heart muscles permanently damaged. He was only 20 at the time he was wounded, and had suffered for 11 years from the resulting heart ailment.

At the time of his death, he owned and operated the City Tailor Shop in Gorman. He had operated the shop for over three years.

He was the son of Mrs. John W. Clark of Gorman. His father had preceded him in death in 1947, and his oldest brother, Willie, had died in 1946. He was married to Miss Evelyn Skaggs of De Leon on October 31, 1953.

Surviving him besides his wife and his mother are three sisters, Mrs. Claudia Hollifield, Mrs. Estelle Craddock, and Miss Lorena Clark, all of Gorman, and three brothers, D. R. Clark and Othell Clark of Gorman, and Elvy Clark of Enid, Oklahoma.

Edward entered the Army on June 8, 1943, and after training was shipped overseas to New Caledonia on January 10, 1944. He fought in the New Guinea Campaign and the Philippine Campaign. He received the bayonet wound by a Japanese soldier on January 22, 1945 during the invasion of Luzon in the Philippines. He received the Combat Infantryman's Badge, Asiatic-Pacific Service Ribbon, Philippine Liberation Service Ribbon, and the Purple Heart medal. He served with the 172nd Infantry Regiment, 43rd Division.

Pallbearers were Joe Collins, Joe Bennett, Jesse Parker, Oda Monroe, Harold Gene Higginbotham, Sam Reynolds and Bill Parr.

CARD OF THANKS

There are times when words cannot express our true feelings, but we would like to say to everyone that you have helped out more than you will ever know in the trying time we have been through, the death of our beloved "Little Ed".

For your kind words and deeds, the beautiful floral offering, the abundance of food brought and served, our wonderful doctors who have cared for him so faithfully through the years of his illness, and to the ministers who brought such a comforting message in our time of sorrow.

To each of you we say a grateful thank you, and pray God's blessings be with you always.

The Clark Families
The Skaggs Families

Gorman Cagers Split Games With Rising Star Teams

The Gorman High School girls team scored a 41-37 triumph over the Rising Star girls to gain third place in the District 7-A race. Nelda Robertson tallied 22 points for Gorman followed by Pat Robertson with 11 and Linda Cloninger with 8 points. Outstanding guarding was turned in by Jeanette Bunting, Janey Thompson, and Charlotte Hilley.

The Rising Star Wildcats won a District 7-A basketball game over the Gorman Panthers on Tuesday night by a score of 47-42. The Wildcats led most of the way to knock the Panthers into the fourth place slot in district standings. Jerry Dupuy scored 16 points for the Gorman cause.

The Gorman teams will be host to the Eastland teams Friday night at the Gorman gym.

BOYS DIST. STANDINGS

Team	W	L
Cross Plains	8	0
Eastland	5	3
Ranger	4	4
Gorman	3	5
Rising Star	3	5
Wylie	1	7

GIRLS DIST. STANDINGS

Team	W	L
Wylie	7	0
Rising Star	4	3
Gorman	3	3
Cross Plains	2	4
Eastland	0	6

Arthur H. Wood Buried Sunday At Simpson Cemetery

Funeral services were conducted for A. H. Wood at Kokomo Church on February 5th with Rev. Willie Skaggs of Rock Bluff officiating.

Arthur H. Wood, 86, of Eastland, passed away on February 4, 1956. He was born May 17, 1869 in Hopkins County.

For the past 20 years he had made his home in Eastland. He and his family were former residents of the Kokomo Community.

Mr. Wood was married to Miss Alberta Hagar in 1894 near Breck enridge.

He was converted and joined the Methodist Church at an early age and was a devoted member of that faith.

His wife preceded him in death in 1952.

To this union were born six children, all present at the funeral. Two sons, R. F. Wood of Gorman, Reed Wood of Wichita Falls and four daughters, Mrs. Lois Wisdom of Abilene, Miss Odessa Wood and Mrs. Donie Craig, both of Eastland and Athalie Overand of Rochester, Texas. Also present for the funeral were two sisters, Mrs. Gracie Cunningham of Ft Worth and Mrs. Willie Neil of Eastland. Other survivors are 10 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren.

The singing was rendered by a quartet composed of Homer Smith and Rev. and Mrs. W. E. Hallenback of Eastland and Stanley Webb of Cisco. They were accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Stanley Webb.

Pallbearers were P. O. Woods, Omar Burkett, Charley Burkett, Duncan Richardson of Eastland, Tidy Eaves of Gorman and Richard Cox of Ranger.

Interment was in the Simpson Cemetery under the direction of Hamner Funeral Home of Eastland.

CORRECTION

In last week's article on the Peanut Meeting the Progress had "Southwestern area was against any change in Damage tolerance".

It should have read, "The Southeastern area was against any change in damage tolerance".

The Mothers March on Polio which was called off last Friday night due to the weather will be held on Friday night from 7 to 8 p. m. Leave your porch light on during this time and someone will be by to pick up your donation for the Mothers March.

Oldtimers Like To Receive The Progress

It gives an editor a grand and glorious feeling to receive letters like the following:

Dear Baker:

Sorry I neglected sending in my renewal as I meant to get it in while the high school seniors were getting the credit. Thanks again for continuing the paper. Enclosed is check for \$2.50

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Wood
Dalhart, Texas

Thanks - I gave the Seniors credit for your renewal along with several others who were late getting in. I am always glad to keep sending the Progress as long as I know folks want it.

Dear Mr. Baker:

I am sending you a check to renew my Progress which has been coming to my home for many years. I feel I can't get along without it as it brings news of my old home town - some sad news of dear friends passing and our hearts go out in deep sympathy to the loved ones. So many of my old friends have passed and all of us will soon be gone. I am one of the old settlers of Gorman and I love Gorman.

Mrs. T. L. Gates
Bullard, Texas

Thank you, Mrs. Gates - New-comers seldom stop to think that it was people like you who made Gorman such a friendly town.

Dear Sir:

I would like to renew my paper. We couldn't do without our Gorman paper. We have been out here almost five years but we still call Gorman our home.

John Woodall
Sundown, Texas

I don't know what it is Mr. Woodall, but there is something about this town that "gets under your skin" so to speak.

It was nice of all of you to respond so promptly to my letter. I have removed a few names from my mailing list because I am not certain they want to continue receiving the Progress.

- Kernel Gene

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Collins, Mr. and Mrs. Travis Smith were in Austin Tuesday on business.

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Thursday & Friday
Burt Lancaster - Dianne Foster
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Saturday

Randolph Scott - Barbara Britton
in
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and

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Also
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Sunday & Monday
Robert Mitchum - Jan Sterling
in
MAN WITH THE GUN
Also
Color Cartoon

Tuesday & Wednesday
FAMILY NIGHT
Scott Brady - Audrey Totter
in
THE VANISHING AMERICAN
Also
Color Cartoon

Thursday & Friday
William Campbell -
Mamie Van Doren
in
RUNNING WILD
Also
Color Cartoon

Advt.

Sports

By JERRY CLARK

Ed Clark had a great love of sports. He was my uncle, but he was more like a brother. He was a good athlete when he played for Gorman High. When he came back to Gorman after his health-damaging service in the Army, he was always a good backer of Gorman teams. The wound that he received in the defense of his country caused his untimely death. But the lessons of sports-manship and courage that he learned in sports made him brave and uncomplaining to the end.

Ed attended Gorman High from 1939 to 1943. He lettered three years in football, two years in basketball, and also lettered in track. During his junior and senior years, he was elected a co-

captain of the football team. His team-mates called him "Captain Kinky" because of his black wavy hair.

His favorite sport was football. He was never a flashy football player, but was a good dependable one. He was one of the best passers ever to play at Gorman High, and was a good punter. One of his team-mates, Bruce Hirst, said that Ed's punts kept their team out of trouble time and time again. Bruce said that he remembered a punt Ed kicked once against De Leon that went for about 72 yards. The boot had a good wind behind it, and rolled for several yards, he recalled.

I personally remember the 1941 game against De Leon, which was a hard fought game, and which Gorman won by only one or two touchdowns. Ed was passing good that day, and was connecting with Billy Charles Underwood. This combination took the ball down the field at a rapid clip and provided the margin of

victory. That impressed me as one of the best passing exhibitions that I was ever to see.

In 1939, as a freshman, Ed "rode the bench" for one of the best football teams that Gorman ever had. That team included such outstanding players as Graydon Baze, Jack Crawley, Dick Foster and others. This team came within one game of winning the district title. They were beaten by Dublin in the final game of the season. The score was close, as was the game, but Dublin won and thereby won the district crown. Our district then was made up of such teams as Cemanche, Dublin, Hamilton, De Leon, and Eastland.

Ed was a co-captain in 1941 when the Panthers blasted Eastland 32-0 in the first game to be played on Brogdon Field. That game will be long remembered. On the starting team that year were: Bob Boswell, center; A. G. Crosby, guard; Vardie Huff, guard; Ray Neal Baze, tackle; Bruce Hirst, tackle; Billy Charles Underwood, end; James Isbell, end; T. A. Brown, Preston Capers, Joe Ormsby and Ed Clark, backs. Ed was the quarterback.

Cross Plains won another district 7-A high school basketball championship Tuesday night by walloping luckless Wylie, 59-30, with the help of a Ranger win over Eastland. The Buffaloes of Cross Plains now have a perfect 8-0 loop slate to chalk up their second straight district title. There are only two more games for all teams in district play. None of the teams in the district played their scheduled games last Friday night because of the bad weather. Most games have been reset for February 14.

Eastland, nearest challenger of Cross Plains, was put out of the

Oliver Springs NEWS

By Florence Richardson

Bro. Arland Clement will do the preaching at Oliver Springs Sunday, February 12. The public is invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Daniels visited the Willie Hendersons on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Mears were visitors in the S. E. Mears home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Hirst visited in Eastland Sunday with the Hardy Parkers.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Harper visited the L. F. Mears Monday.

We want to welcome our new neighbors in our community, Mr. and Mrs. George Warren.

The weather has been so bad no news much, but so thankful for the moisture which we needed. Gardening time is just ahead and this moisture is just what we needed.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Daniels visited the Alvis Scitern family on Sunday.

race by the Ranger win. Eastland led in the game all the way until Ranger tied up the scoring in the fourth quarter, and then hung up four points in overtime. Ranger ace Paul Hinds scored 29 points in the game to boost his lead in district scoring to 156 points. Dale Slatton of Eastland, second in district scoring last week, made only 16 points in the game to place his season total at 140 points.

Clark Baum of Cross Plains is still third in scoring with a season total of 132 points.

Eastland remains in second place in the district with a 5-3 record, Ranger is third and Gorman is tied with Rising Star for fourth place.



FOURTH GRADE

We are glad that Mary Shell is back after she has been in the hospital. Since we did not get a gift for her Thursday, the committee went to town Monday and got her a treasure box, a pink scarf, and a puzzle. We think she will enjoy them.

Each child was given a March of Dimes card and was asked to put six dimes in it. Fifteen of the pupils put in some money. It all added up to \$8.42. We hope this will help prevent some child from having polio.

The girls in health inspection have won three weeks in a row, but the boys are trying very hard to win the fourth week.

We are making snowmen in art. Some are made with chalk on black paper.

We are glad that the sleet and snow are gone. A lot of people got hurt from slipping on the ice.

We had a map study in our Weekly reader. It helped some of the students to know more about our country.

Before Mrs. Smith left, she gave us some magazines and maps. We like them very much. The maps are ver useful.

We are studying vowel sounds. Bobby Rodgers made the three weeks spelling honor roll. We hope we will have more on the

six weeks honor roll.

We wrote to the American Airlines and to the Maritime Administration Company for materials on transportation. We hope to receive them soon.

Barbara Jobe, Patricia Harrison

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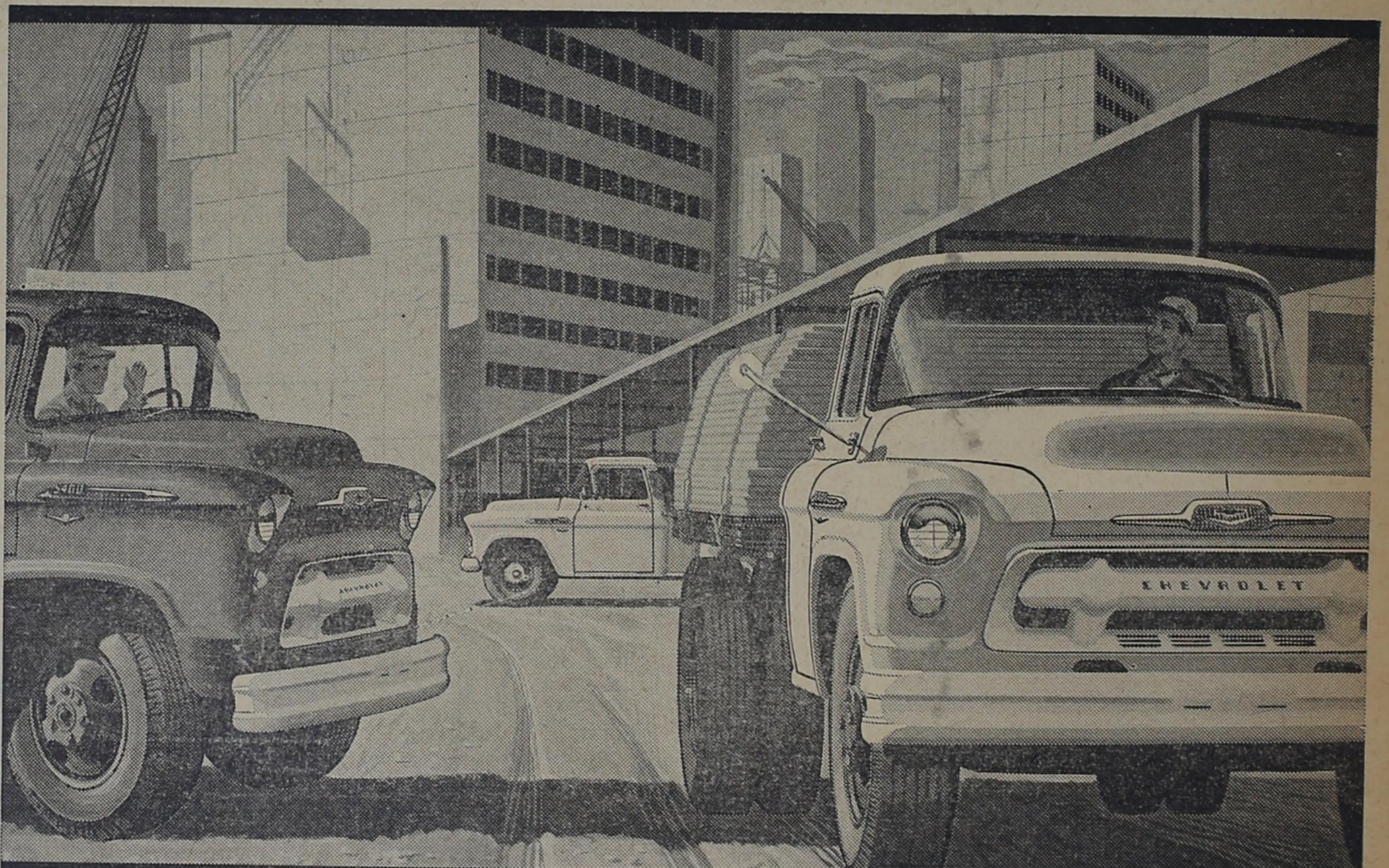
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Lord, I'm Coming Home

The hymn that was written to save one soul

A song was running through his mind so he told his wife he would set it down on paper before he went to bed. He was 83 years old, but he often worked late, so Mrs. Kirkpatrick thought nothing of it. But when she awoke long after midnight the light was still burning in "the professor's" study so she called to him.

Music was born into William J. Kirkpatrick when he came into the world on the Emerald Isle in 1838. Music was part of him when he migrated to America as a youth and it was part of him when, as a Pennsylvania Volunteer, he led a fife band during the Civil War. And music was in his heart when he died in Philadelphia in 1921.

A religious Irishman, Kirkpatrick devoted his life to directing church choirs, playing church organs and writing church songs. And he set music to words from many another pen. In 1882 he took a poem by Priella Owens and started the world to singing "We Have Heard the Joyful Sound: Jesus Saves! Jesus Saves!" The same year he wrote music for Louisa Stead's "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus" and three years later he composed the

tune for "Where the Tree of Life is Blooming, Meet Me There."

In 1902 William Kirkpatrick was leading the music for a camp meeting in rural Pennsylvania when he questioned the sincerity of a soloist who was helping him. Sermons of the evangelist had failed to move the man and Composer Kirkpatrick decided on a unique plan. He wrote a song especially for his singing assistant. At the opening of the evening service he handed the song to his soloist and asked him to sing it. The singer did and joined others that night at the altar.

That night in 1921 when Mrs. Kirkpatrick called her husband there was no answer. She found him sitting in his study chair. On the desk were unfinished words of a song and the last verse showed that he had worked rapidly. But he didn't quite make the deadline. William J. Kirkpatrick went out of the world as he came into it . . . with a song in his heart. Among other monuments to his memory he left a song he wrote to save the soul of one man. But any evangelist will tell you that tens of thousands of penitents have gathered around the altar to the singing of . . .

I've wandered far away from God,
Now I'm coming home;
The paths of sin too long I've trod,
Lord, I'm coming home.

I've waited many precious years,
Now I'm coming home;
I now repent with bitter tears,
Lord, I'm coming home.

I'm tired of sin and straying, Lord,
Now I'm coming home;

I'll trust Thy love, believe Thy word,
Lord, I'm coming home.

My soul is sick, my heart is sore,
Now I'm coming home;
My strength renew, my hope restore,
Lord, I'm coming home.

Coming home, coming home,
Never more to roam;
Open wide Thy arms of love,
Lord, I'm coming home.



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J. C. BREWERS RESIDING IN SAN ANTONIO

The Progress has received word that Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Brewer, Sr., formerly of Gorman are living in San Antonio. Their son J. C. Brewer, Jr. of Austin died several months ago and it was reported that Mr. Brewer, Sr. had died. Mr. and Mrs. Brewer, Sr. are enjoying good health and send greetings to their friends in Gorman.

HOWARD H D CLUB HAS CALLED MEETING

The Howard Home Demonstration Club met in a call meeting February 7th with Mrs. J E Heeter for the purpose of gathering the necessary information for the club's delegate, Mrs. Ella Tidwell, to take to Council Meeting February 8th.

The following members were present: Mmes. Ragland, Warden Ryon, Tidwell, Moore, Lee and the hostess who served delicious pecan pie with coffee. The next meeting will be at Mrs. Charles Lee's Feb. 22nd.

Orchard Field Day Set For Feb. 23 At J. E. Spencer Orchard

The date for the annual Eastland County Orchard Field Day has been set for February 23 at the J. E. Spencer orchard in the Long Branch Community according to an announcement today from the County Agent's office.

Marketing, varieties of peaches, fertilizers, grape production, pruning, fertilization and control of insects and diseases are topics to be discussed or demonstrated at the meeting.

The all day meeting will begin at 10 a. m. and will be concluded at 4 p. m. with time out at noon for a picnic it was said. Free coffee and drinks will be furnished at noon but those who attend are asked to bring a picnic lunch.

The meeting is free and is open to all in Eastland and adjoining counties interested in the growing of grapes and peaches.

Those to appear on the program include T. E. Denman, Agriculture Experiment Station of Stephenville; B. C. Hancock and George R. Williams of the A & M College Extension Service; U. A. Randolph, Agriculture Experiment Station, Montague, and J. W. Foster, Jr., of Weatherford.

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NOTICE TO G. I.'S - If you expect to buy land under your rights as a veteran, you are wasting valuable time if you have not already written for application forms for this purpose, as it will now be several weeks before you can obtain them and then several months before loan is granted. C. E. SIMS will do this for you if you bring your service numbers to his office. 2-16fn

LOST - White face heifer calf. 250 to 300 pounds. Right hind leg is large in joint from sprain. J. L. Butler 1tc

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Skippy Peanut Butter Now Produced In Texas Plant

Of special interest to the many peanut growers and shellers of this area is the recent announcement by The Best Foods, Inc., that its Skippy Peanut Butter Division began full production of America's largest selling peanut butter at the company's Dallas plant as of February first. The plant, purchased by Best Foods in 1947, has previously been refining large quantities of high-quality salad oil from local crude cotton seed oil and also manufacturing there the margarine and dressings products for which the company is well known.

The new facilities for the production of Skippy Peanut Butter occupy a separate building within the eight-acre Dallas plant. During the past few months this building has been completely fitted out with a gleaming tiled interior and all the special machinery and lines required to receive, inspect, bleach, roast and mill local shelled peanuts and to pass them through the patented Skippy processes. The product is then immediately packaged in wide-mouthed jars, by means of the most modern types of filling, capping and labeling machines.

Best Foods acquired the original Skippy plants and interests on January first, 1955, for approximately \$7,500,000. The Skippy company was then headed by Mr. Jerome Rosefield and the then existing plants were located at Portsmouth, Va., Minneapolis, Minn., and Alameda, Calif. Mr. Rosefield, now a vice-president of Best Foods, Inc., is head of the entire Skippy Division of Best Foods and as such is responsible for production in all four sections of the country where Skippy is now made.

Best Foods' decision to make Skippy in Dallas, along with the Hellman's Real Mayonnaise, Relish Sandwich Spread and the varietal mayonnaise dressings which it has been making there, was a logical one because of the extensive peanut growing areas of Texas and Oklahoma. The new plant activities naturally are of the greatest interest to the growers and shellers of local peanuts, providing as they do a large local outlet for this crop so important to the agricultural economy of our part of the great Southwest. Peanut farmers and shellers will now enjoy, as cotton farmers and crushers will continue to enjoy, this nearby market for the fruits of their acreage and plants.

When Best Foods acquired the Dallas plant almost ten years ago it began the modernization and expansion which have been carried on almost continuously ever since. First the vegetable oil refinery was completely rebuilt and it now includes a centrifugal refining and bleaching unit, winterizing facilities for the preparation of salad oil, hydrogenation equipment and an electrolytic plant producing high-purity hydrogen for hardening of margarine and shortening type oils. There is also a deodorizing column of ultra-modern design and instrumentation.

In addition to the consumer products mentioned above, the

Refined Oils Division of Best Foods also produces at Dallas a specialty vegetable oil known as Veo, for the use of bakers, confectioners and deep fat fryers of dozens of different commercial food products.

The Best Foods plant at Dallas is headed by Mr. S. G. Johnson, Plant Manager. Mr. Allan Altman is Superintendent of the new Skippy Division, Mr. Adolph Weber is Superintendent of the Margarine and Dressings Department and Mr. Porter Crowell is Refinery Superintendent.

The American Heart Association is the only national voluntary organization exclusively concerned with the development of research education and community heart programs to fight the heart diseases.

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Announcements

Regular stated meeting of the Gorman Lodge No. 716 AF&AM will be held on Tuesday, February 14. Visitors welcome.
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Businessmen's Club will meet Monday night, February 13th.

Quarterback Club will meet on Friday night, 6:30 p. m. at the Gorman Hotel Coffee Shop for a "Toast to new members".

The Excelsior Club will meet at the Fire Hall Tuesday, February 14 for a Valentine Party. Each member is to bring her husband or a guest. 42 and Bridge will be played.

Organization of Gorman Band Boosters will be held Thursday, Feb. 9th, 7 p. m. at the High School Auditorium. If you are interested in our high school band you are eligible for membership. Seven members of the band made All-District Band this year.

The Sabanna Valley Game Preserve Association will meet Tuesday, 7 p. m. February 14th, at Center Point School House, 5 miles south of Carbon. Mr. Robt. G. Mauerman, Wild Life Biologist has promised to attend and discuss "restoration of deer on the preserve". All interested persons are invited. Refreshments will be served.
Berry Greenwood, Sec.-Treas.

CORRECTION

In announcing the marriage of Ban Pendarvis last week, we stated he was married in the Methodist Parsonage. It should have been, "Ben W. Pendarvis and Iona Nicholson were wed in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben F. Pendarvis."

Our Friends - - Keeping Up With

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Emerson attended the funeral of her Brother-in-law, Crate Wilson of Anson, Friday, February 3rd. Mr. Wilson died suddenly at his home Wednesday noon.

Mrs. Jewel Nance from Houston visited Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Jay over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Carter and boys have returned to their home in Dava Point, California, after a visit with his mother, Mrs. J. D. Caldwell.

W. A. Isabell and family of Leuders, visited his mother, Mrs. Nettie Isabell, from Tuesday to Friday of last week.

Mrs. James L. Bigby, Bryna, and Susan Kay of Colorado City visited several days last week with her brother, Joe Collins and family and her mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Collins of Carbon.

Mr. and Mrs. James R. Gilbreath of Harlingen visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe Collins Sunday. Mrs. Gilbreath and Mrs. Collins are sisters.

Illness In Gorman

The following were listed as patients in the hospital Wednesday afternoon.

From Gorman were Mrs. K. P. Rainey, Mrs. Emory Hill, Mrs. A. L. Grice, J. O. Jackson, Laneta Rodgers, J. W. Townsend, Autry Hood, Elbert Denton, and Mrs. J. T. Barron.

From De Leon: Mrs. J. H. Vance, A. N. Gilder, T. H. Forrest, J. K. Locke, and Mrs. S. E. Mears.

Others listed were Mrs. Della Brown, Rising Star, Willie Echols, Blackwell, Willie Cooper, Rising Star, Mrs. Harold Hitt, Ft Worth, Roy E. Leonard, Sipe Springs, W. L. Curtis, Rising Star, Fletch Carwile, Gorman, Mrs. Ollie Fein, Desdemona, J. W. Gregory, May, Mrs. M. M. Cooper, Rising Star.

Desdemona News

Anell McMaster, Reporter

This community was blessed with some good moisture this past week.

Grandma Williams is some better this week.

Mr. Abernathy is also reported as improved.

Mrs. Sonja Wilcoxson is up and around again.

Mrs. Ollie Fein is in the hospital this week. She fell during the ice and hurt herself.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Harper of Belton visited the Genoways over the week end.

Mrs. Ida Wilhite was called to Hico Monday to be at the bed side of her sister, Mrs. Charlie Young, who is quite ill. Mrs. Young's husband is also ill. He is reported to be in a critical condition in the Hico hospital.

BIRTHS

Johnny Earl, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Frasier, arrived at Blackwell Hospital January 28.

Thomas Ray, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas D. Petree, arrived January 25.

Donald Howard, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Harrison of Gustine, was born January 26.

Terry Ray Kent, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Kent of Midland, was born January 30.

Cathy Jane, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Hicks of Comanche, was born January 30.

Commissioner B. M. Bennett was confined to the hospital Saturday through Monday for treatment of an injured knee. Tuesday Tip Arthur, commissioner of pre. One, Richard Cox, County Treasurer and Porter Wood, Constable of Eastland, were in Gorman to visit Mr. Bennett on to find him up and on the job.

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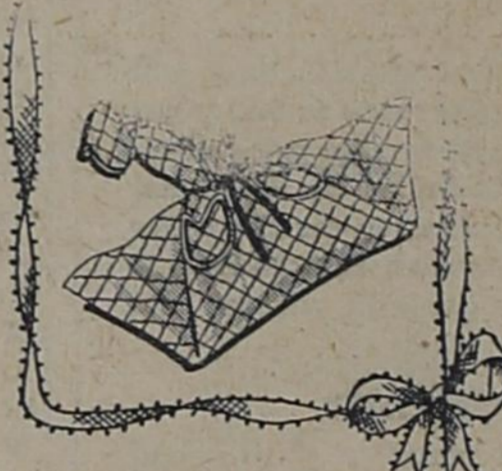
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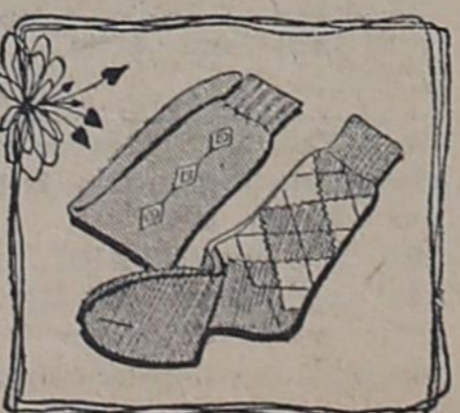
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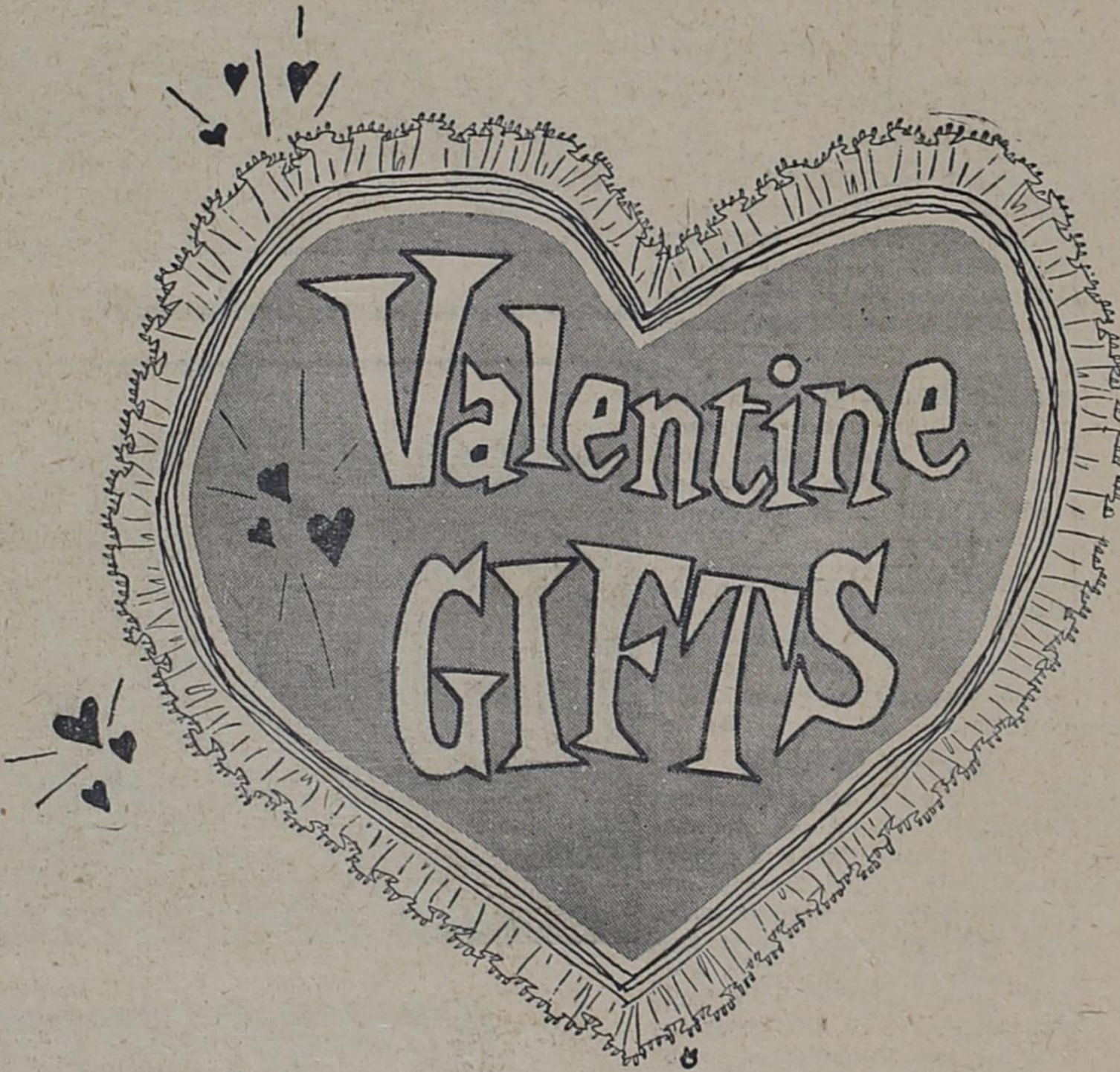
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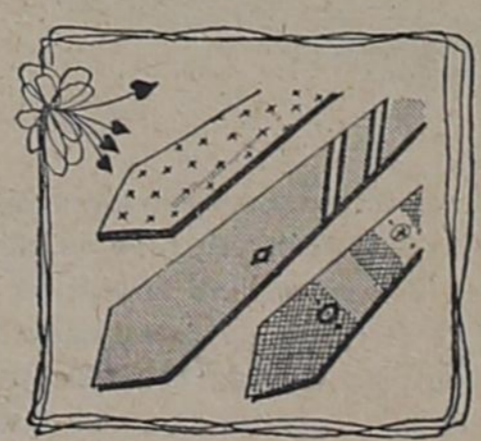
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