

Friends and Neighbors make things worthwhile

Have you ever heard that it's the "little things that mean so much" or "the little things that count"? Cliches or not, it's quite true.

My knees have been bad and my father in the hospital, and with no fanfare little bits of kindness have been pouring in.

The family practitioner down the street from the main office came down to simply offer some moral support, knowing I could use it.

Morris Weddle brought in a bag of the most gorgeous tomatoes that we've ever seen from himself and his mom and family.

Shorty Ballard came by (after providing us with some truly delicious blackberries a few weeks ago) and provided a bounty of potatoes, squash, tomatoes and okra.

Richard and Clara Nance brought fresh corn and tomatoes.

Juanita Sparks sent chicken salad and crackers down on Tuesday because it was a long stressful and difficult day and she felt like we didn't want to cook (she was so right).

Dave Seber sent a cheer up basket of kittens! Why would that cheer me up....because they are stuffed kittens of calico fabric, NOT bottle babies that need to be tended to. There have been cheerful words and thoughts exchanged in passing.

No one made a big deal about it no one spent a lot of money, no one did anything except share what they had to share and make us feel better.

And feel better we do. Not a single problem has been resolved yet we are comforted 19 year old drowns in Sulphur River Saturday

that morning.

According to reports from the Titus County Sheriff's Department, the body of 19 year old Carrie Edwards of Mt. Pleasant was recovered from Sulphur River early Saturday morning approximately 200 yards from the bridge on County Road NW 39. Reports indicate that apparently Edwards, a 14 year old girl and two men believed to be in their 20's went swimming in the Sulphur River at

approximately 3:00 a.m. Saturday

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Vacation Bible School scheduled at Fulbright Baptist Church

Fulbright Baptist Church invites and end at 8:30 p.m. children ages four through high school to join "The Wild and Wonderful Good News Stampede". Grab your gear and saddle up for a rip-roaring adventure. Each day includes an exciting worship rally where the good news of Jesus will be celebnrated. Each day will be packed full of fun Bible-learning experiences, great vittles, music and crafts.

"The Wild and Wonderful Good News Stampede" will be held at Fulbright Baptist Church on July 21-25. Each day will begin at 6:30 p.m.

the agenda.

Bogata council hears internet proposal

decision on this. The city council of Bogata met Monday night with several items on

The council voted to go ahead and order new parts to replace the damaged playground equipment at Thomas Park. Approximate costs \$1,100.

sions in Red River Valley Baptist

Association filled the pulpit at

Fulbright Baptist Church in the ab-

sence of the pastor, Bro. Larry Solice,

who was holding revival at Faith

Baptist Church in Deport. A covered

dish dinner was held following the

morning service. Special guests were

Bro. Warren Hart, Mr. and Mrs. Hack

Blankinship of Paris and Bro. and

Mrs. L.C. Stout of Faith Baptist

Church in Deport.

Council voted to raise the price of renting trailer spaces at Community Center to \$12 night. They also decided to have the restrooms at Thomas Park open from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00

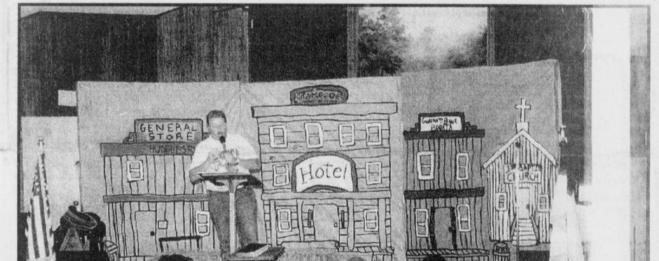


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(Staff Photo)

RED RIVER NATIONAl 13-year old All-Stars who won the district title. From left is: head coach Jim Chadwick, Gary Malone, Landon Minier, David Keen, Brandon Bettis, Scottie Nichols and Walker Putnam. Back row is Patrick Fuller, Brandon Chadwick, Drew Riddles, Brad Hunt, Glenn Melton, D.J. Loveless, Kevin Ballard and Coach Tony Ballard and Coach Jeff Nichols.



An autopsy has been order and the matter is under investigation by the Titus County Sheriff's Department.

ant Fire Department.

and supported by the kindness of our friends.

I doubt if anyone thinks that they have done much...but they don't know just how much they have done.

All over the world friends and neighbors do this for people they know. In really bad times they do much more.

And it truly is the little things that mean the most. But they are not little things, they are very big, and mean a lot to those on the receiving end. And, they remind me that to have friends you must be a friend. I need to remember to do things for others more than I do. All this outpouring of kindness reminds me to work harder at being a friend. And that's a good thing to be reminded of.

Accident occurs on Hwy. 271

The Pattonville Volunteer Fire Department responded to a wreck on U.S. 271 three miles West of Deport, Thursday morning, July 10th to assist in rescuing a Bogata woman after her 1985 Dodge Ram Charger ran through a fence on the south side of the highway

According to DPS trooper Tim Ray, Gerri Anne Harper of Bogata was on her way to St. Joseph's Hospital in Paris when her vehicle left the roadway on the north side of the road and then came across Hwy. 271 crashing through the fence on the south side of the road

Rescuers righted the vehicle and rescued Ms. Harper. She was transported to the hospital by Paris EMS.

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of Clarksville and Industrial Foundation of Red River Co., and will originate at Texas A&M in Commerce. The first year will be free and then cost approximately \$10 per year after that. More information will be forthcoming on this.

The council heard from Bill Rains

about getting on the internet. Each

town in Red River County could

have a web page to tell about upcom-

ing events . This is sponsored by the

Clarksville Chamber of Commerce

Economic Development Corporation

The council decided to re-figure a citizen's sewer rate due to a large water leak.

They also heard form a citizen about the need for a four way stop at Main Street and FM 909. The man was told he will need to talk with the Texas Department of Transportation concerning this matter.

The council heard from Juan Fuentes, J&S Yard Care of Mt. Pleasant, about the possibility of bids for mowing Thomas Park, but decided not to contract for mowing.

Joe Rose spoke as a representative of economic development about the 1/2 cent sales tax. Council has decided to hear more before making a

p.m. only on weekdays due to vandalism.

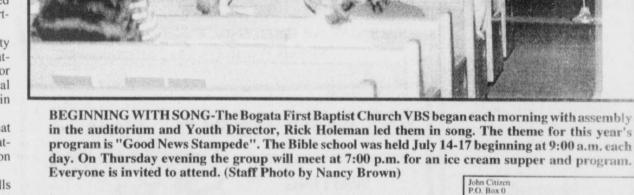
Council decided not to repair damage to a 1991 Chevrolet pickup caused by accident at the Johntown well, and decided to look for a used flat bed truck for use by the street department

The mayor announced that the city came in at fourth place in their attempt to get a \$249,250 grant for sewer/street improvements. Final ranking will be done by the state in the near future.

Mayor Eudy also announced that Jim Garrett and Geri Knowles attended a workshop in Mt. Vernon on July 1 for new council members.

Minutes were approved and bills and final water bill accounts were approved.

David Wallace, Water Superintendent, was not present due to an emergency appendectomy July 9. The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.



City of Bogata schedules clean-up day for July 18

The City of Bogata will have a clean-up day on Friday, July 18 for large items to be picked up.

If you have any large items, call City Hall at 632-5315 to place your name on the list. Items will be picked up on Friday, July 18, but dumpsters will be behind City Hall on Saturday if you want to bring the items yourself.

include paint, oil, tires, batteries, hazardous waste, leaves or yard waste, lumber of construction debris, or anything containing freon, unless freon has been removed and appliance is

17 to have your name placed on the pick-up list.

and assisting the city and surround-

ing area in emergency situations are

so important to Bogata. Anyone who

wishes to donate funds to help edu-

cate these valuable people so that

they might help the area more will be

appreciated. Donations can be made

at the Bogata Guaranty Bank or at the

909 Diner in Bogata. All donations

freshments being served to everyone

All students are invited to attend

the party and are reminded to return

will be greatly appreciated.

who has participated.

their books.

Funds needed for Bogata **First Responders**

The Bogata Volunteer Fire De- their time and efforts to protecting partments First Responders are in need of help for funds to pay the expenses of seven members who are willing to attend and EMT class that will be held within the next three weeks.

The cost will be \$150 per person and although the group has received a grant, it was not enough to cover the cost of the schooling.

The men and women who donate

Summer library draws to a close close on Tuesday, July 22. with re-

On Tuesday, July 8 Bogata Librarian Linda Gray read a Native American and an Arabic fable to those at the summer library program at Bogata School as well as the story book Piggies by Don and Audrey Wood.

The summer library program will

BOGATA To the editor: The Thomas Park Board of Directors, Lions Club and the Bogata

City Council are looking for answers to the vandalism and destruction at Thomas Park. The restrooms by the community center are a mess. The restrooms will be open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and locked at night and weekends. Perhaps this will help.

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Deport, Tx 75435

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If you see anyone destroying property, call City Hall or call Red **River Sheriff's Department. You** find them, we will press charges.

Please help your City Council, Lions Club and Park Board keep a nice park by identifying those doing the damage and messing up the restrooms. If we cannot solve the restroom problems, we have no choice but to lock them up and we sure don't want to do this. Less than 2% of the public is making it tough on the other 98%. Let's correct the 2%

The Board of Directors/ **Thomas Park** Jack Dodd, President



The Rosalie Store will close Friday, July 18 at 8:00 p.m. and will not reopen until further notice.

AUTO PEDESTIAN ACCIDENT-Bogata First Responders rendered aid at this accident in Bogata on FM 909 Monday evening. Reports were not available at press time, but apparently a child of approximately six years of age was struck by a vehicle and transferred to hospital for treatment by helicopter.(Staff Photo by Judy Screws)

Items which cannot be accepted tagged by licensed technician. Call City Hall by Thursday, July



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Liz Irwin

Several of you have asked for some peach recipes and I rounded up some that I thought you could use.

Due to the late frosts that occur around here each year, there has not been an abundance of peaches for the last few years. This year does not sem to be the case. Several area orchards have fruit available at reasonable prices. Around Pittsburg, English and Avery is where the largest ones are located. If there are some others, let us know.

Horticulturists believe that the China was the native home of the peach. They believe that trees grew there over 4,000 years ago. The peach was spread throughout Europe by the Romans. Spanish explorers brought the peach to the Americas as early as the 1500's and English colonists also brought peaches in the 1600's. The United States is the world's leading producer of peaches. Many peach trees a planted in commercial orchards and some are cultivated in gardens as ornamentals. Peaches are grown southward from the Great Lakes region of the

Midwest into the Deep South and along the Atlantic and Pacific Coast. There are many cultivars (varieties produced by selective breeding)

of peaches. They ripen from early summer to fall--some as late as October

Peaches are called freestone or clingstone, according to how difficult it is to remove the pit from the fruit. The fruit of freestone peaches



is usually softer than that of clingstones. But some cultivars of clingstones are very mellow, with fine aroma and excellent texture.

The best known peach is the Elberta, a freestone. It originated in 1870 in Marshalville, Georgia. Other well-known freestone cultivars are J.H. Hale, Redhaven, July Elberta, and Golden Jubilee. Important clingstone cultivars inclue Fortuna, Palora, Johnson, Guame and Sims. Nectarines are similar to peaches. The two fruits are essentially alike except for the skins and the trees are identical.

Our shortcourse on peaches is over and we hope you enjoy the following recipes. Check your local orchards or try the Market Square in Paris. This time of year seems to see several vendors with an assortment of fruits and vegetables available.

Peach Chutney can be canned and stored for use this winter and is good on ham, poultry or pork.

Peach Bread is great hot out of the oven or topped with a glaze and keeps well.

This Peach Cake is made in a Bundt pan and is quick and easy.

Surprise Peach Cobbler has the crust already in the mix and saves a lot of fuss and bother!

Peach Honey is quick and easy and great with hot bread or biscuits! Peach Leather is the answer to Fruit Roll-ups. Can be dried in the

sun or food dehydrator. Hope you enjoy these recipes and

we will see you in the kitchen!

Peach Chutney

8 cups chopped peaches 1-1/2 cup brown sugar 2/3 cup seedless raisins 2/3 cup honey l cup apple cider 1/4 teaspoon ground mace 12 whole cloves 1/2 cinnamon stick Simmer 30 minutes; put in jars and seal **Peach Bread** 2 cups flour 2/3 cup sugar 2 teaspoon baking powder 1/2 teaspoon salt 1/2 teaspoon soda 1/2 teaspoon cloves 2 eggs 2 tablespoons melted butter 16 ounces peaches Glaze: 1/2 cup powdered sugar 4 teaspoons peach juice Preheat oven to 350 degrees and

grease and flour 9 x 15 pan. Mix first 6 ingredients together. Add eggs and margarine. Fold in peaches. Mix for 2 minutes at medium spee; pour into pan. Bake 60 minutes or until golden brown. Cool before pouring glaze over bread. For glaze; blend sugar and juice until well blended.

Peach Cake 3 eggs-beaten 1-3/4 cups sugar l cup oil 2 cups flour l teaspoon salt l teaspoon soda

Bluff Homecoming

is July 20 The homecoming will be held at

the Bluff Cemetery on Sunday, July

Everyone is asked to be present for lunch at noon, a business meeting and a short devotional

County, Gateway to Texas" is ex-

pected to be hot off the press by then.

In the event that a delay occurs, Mrs.

Stroud will take orders for the book

ing their family history are encour-

aged to come and enjoy the program.

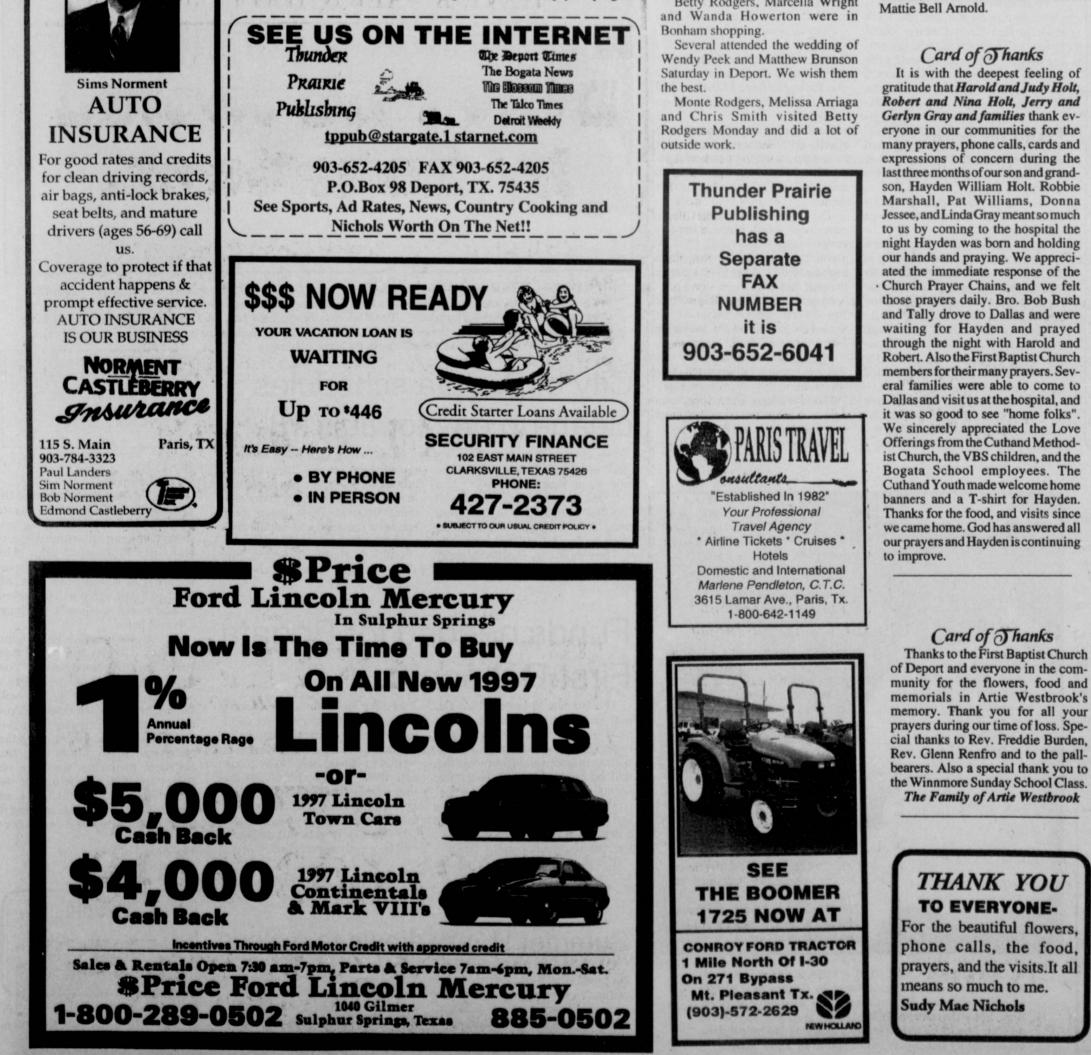
All persons interested in research-

and speak on the book project.

RR County Genealogical Society to meet

Everyone is invited to attend the regular monthly meeting of the Red River County Genealogical Society on Monday evening, July 14 at 7:30 in the Red River County Library.

This months scheduled program is to include a book signing for Martha Sue Stroud, whose book "Red River



July 17, 1997 **Peach** Recipes

> 1 teaspoon cinnamon 2 cups chopped peaches 1/2 cup chopped nuts Mix eggs, sugar and oil thor-

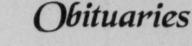
oughly by hand. Mix dry ingredients together and add to sugar mixture. Add peaches and nuts. Pour into greased and floured Bundt pan. Bake at 350 degrees for 1 hour or until cake tests done. Canned fruit can also be used.

Surprise Peach Cobbler l cup sugar 3/4 cup flour 1/4 cup salad oil 1/2 cup milk I teaspoon baking powder dash salt I can peaches with syrup grated nutmeg-optional Mix all ingredients except peaches in large bowl. Pour into greased 8-inch square baking dish. Then pour paches, syrup and all over batter. Bake at 350 degres for 30 minutes. Add nutmeg on top if desired.

Peach Honey 6-7 cups peaches-chopped 5 cups sugar

Blend in blender; cook 5 minutes at a rolling boil. Refrigerate.

Peach Leather l pound peaches 1/4 pound sugar Pitt, peel and slice peaches. Combine with sugar. Mash and cook to a thick, smooth paste. Spread on greased cookie sheet. Set in sun to dry or follow dehydrator instructions. When dry, roll up like leather and wrap in wax paper to store.



Jonathyn

Home.

Cemetery

McQuatters.

cousins

cousin.

dies July 9

Center in Tyler.

May 13, 1992

Randle McQuatters

Funeral services for Jonathyn

Randle McQuatters of Petty were held

Wednesday, July 16, 1997 at 2:00

o.m. at Bright-Holland Funeral

The Rev. Ken Cannon officiated,

assisted by Jimmy Caffey and John

C. Randle. Burial was in Providence

Children's Medical Center in Dallas.

He was born May 7, 1996, to Jason

Don and Amber Michelle Thompson

Survivors include his parents;

grandparents, James and Frances

McQuatters of Blossom, Jerry and

Joni Kincaid of Deport and Tommy

and Rita Thompson of Arlington;

great-grandparents, Ida C.

McQuatters of Paris; Mr. and Mrs.

Thomas White of Maud, John C.

Randle of Irving, Burrell Kincaid of

Deport, Barbara and Bob Rollings of

Irving; an uncle and aunt, Mr. and

Mrs. Bill Loranger of Faught; an aunt,

Kelly Kincaid of Deport, and three

Mrs. Linnie Mae Gibson

Mrs. Linnie Mae Gibson, age 72,

formerly of Bogata, died Wednes-

day, July 9 in East Texas Medical

held at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, July 15 at

Cuthand Cemetery with Rev. Mike

Green officiating. Wood Funeral

Home had charge of arrangements.

1925 in Red River County, the daugh-

ter of William Marvin and Eula

Mauldin Patton. She married Levi

Gibson in 1939 in Talco. He died

Survivors include a daughter,

Melba Jean Williams of Hawkins; a

son, Delbert Gibson of Australia; her mother, Eula Martin of Bogata; five

sisters, Goldie Pollock of Pennsylva-

nia, Johnnie Faye Yarbrough and

Lillie White, both of Bogata, Fern

Thomas of Mt. Pleasant and Patricia

Whitney of Cunningham; six grand-

children and sixteen great-grandchil-

dren. She was preceded in death by a

brother, Cecil Patton and a sister,

Mrs. Gibson was born March 2,

A memorial graveside service was

He was preceded in death by a

The infant died Monday at

dies at 14 months

Mrs. Era Rachel Smelser dies July 11

Mrs. Era Rachel Smelser, age 78 of Bogata died Friday, July 11 in East Texas Medical Center in Clarksville.

Services were held at 3:00 p.m. Saturday, July 12 at Bogata Church of Christ with Benny Cogburn officiating. Burial was in Bogata Cemetery under the direction of Wood Funeral Home.

Mrs. Smelser was born September 11, 1918 in Allen, OK, the daughter of John and Helen Nash Screws. She was a longtime member of Bogata Church of Christ. Her first husband, Russ Patterson, died in 1963. She later married Guy Smelser, who preceded her in death in 1980. She was also preceded in death by two brothers, Thad Screws and Raymond Screws. She is survived by her sister, Mrs. Lorene Hayes or Texarkana and a number of nieces and nephews.

Sarah Ruth Pike Cox dies June 11, 1997

Sarah Ruth Pike Cox of Merkel, TX died Wednesday, June 11. Services were held Friday, June 13, 1997, at the First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Brad Reeves officiating assisted by Rev. Tim Wade. Burialwas in Rose Hill Cemetery directed. by Starbuck Funeral Home of Merkel."

"Mama" Ruth , s she was known," was born in Red River Co. Texas on November 1902 to Alfred Numbers Pike and Gertrude Pike and moved to Merkel (Taylor Co.) Texas in 1906. She was a life member of the First. United Methodist Church of Merkel, long time Sunday School teacher," active in the United Methodist Women and Methodist Quilters. She was a volunteer grandmother for the fourth grade reading classes at Merkel Elemetary, a member of Union Ridge Home Demonstration Club, an artist seamstress and former employee of J.W. Hammonds and Ben Franklin Store.

She married Deuzel Cox in 1923 at Merkel. The couple had four children. She was preceded in death by her husband; a son, Davy Lee; her mother and father; two brothers, John Milan Pike of Bogata and the Rev. Russell Pike of Oregon and a sister Hallie Pike Burden of Merkel.

Survivors include two daughters and one son-in-law, Joyce Cox Ferguson of Merkel, Patsy and Othel O'Kelly of Trent, Tx; one son and daughter-in-law, Corky and Lila Cox of Merkel; two sisters, Doris Pike Guthrie of Merkel, Gertie Lou Hunt, and brother-inlaw Bill Hunt of San Antonio, Tx.; eleven grandchildren, twenty great grandchildren, eight



visitor of Jimmie King Wednesday.

King attended a 42 party at Bogata Thursday night in the home of Jettie Bond

Mrs. Kyle King of Reno was a Mrs. Ethel Epps and Mrs. Jimmie

Betty Rodgers, Marcella Wright and Wanda Howerton were in

great great grandchildren and seveal nieces and nephews.

Pallbears were her grandson; Jack Ferguson, Bubba O'Kelly, Deral Cox, David Cox and Del Van Cox; grandson-in-law, Charles Jones, Ted Simpson and Tim Good. Memorials are requested to be made to the Merkel First United Methodist Church or Merkel Cemetery Association.

Card of Thanks

Thanks to everyone for your prayers, visits, phone calls, flowers and gifts while I was in the hospital. Special thanks to 911, First Responders and LifeNet Ambulance for transporting me to the hospital. Those who brought food since I have been home and Home Town Home Health for their care. May God bless each of

Roberta Watts

Card of Thanks The family of David Knowles would like to thank all our friends and familiy for the many acts of kindness, the food, flowers, cards and calls and prayers. Special thanks to Wood Funeral Home, June Stanley and C.D. Glass and Bro. Kellam. Lucille Knowles **Billy Knowles Gerald Knowles Penny Sanders** Patsy Dusenbury Steve and Geri Knowles Cora and Charles Tidwell **Bernice** Loftin

Thanks

I would like to sincerely thank whoever picked all the peaches from the tree in my back yard and got all those off the ground sometime between last Thursday night and Friday afternoon. Since they weren't ripe enough, I had planned to pick and can them Saturday afternoon. But, thanks to you, I didn't have to do that. If you had asked, I would probably have shared them with you, but since you didn't have the nerve to ask me, I hope you are enjoying them.

Kathy Bice

Thursday, July 17, 1997

New specialist join McCuistion staff

John H. Romanow, M.D. has been appointed to the Medical Staff of McCuistion Regional Medical Center according to hospital administrator Anthony A. Daigle and William Surber, M.D., Chief of Staff. His medical specialty is Otolaryngology, caring for diseases of the ear, nose and throat.

'We are pleased to add Dr. Romanow to our medical staff and community," said Dr. Surber. "John and Leigh will be a tremendous asset to this area.'

A native of Newton, Massachusetts, Dr. Romanow received his bachelor's degree in chemistry and mathematics, magna cum laude, from Brandeis University, Waltham, MA. His medical degree was earned at Tufts University of Medicine, Boston, MA.

Dr. Romanow fulfilled his tour of duty with the United States Army on June 15 having served his last assignment as Chief of Otolaryngology

Kim Fields honored with shower

A baby shower was given in honor of Kim Fields, Sunday afternoon in the home of Kathy Williams.

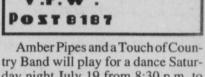
The nursery theme was Mickey Mouse. Hostesses for the occasion were; Kathy Williams, Stella Mankins, Denise Chaloner, Nancy Denny, Sherry Huddleston, Sherri Cheatwood, Joyce Franks, Kaye Bell and Tina Williams.

Kim received many nice gifts, including a stroller from the hostesses. Head and Neck Surgery Servics at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. Through military scholarship, he was able to complete an internship in general surgery and residency training in Otolaryngology/Head and Neck Surgery were served at Brook Army Medical Center, Fort Sam Houston, Texas. He is board certified by the American Board of Otolaryngology,

Dr. Leigh Chervenka, an optometrist with the Paris Eye Physicians were married on July 4. "We are very excited about making Paris home," Dr. Romanow added. Listed as hobbies are gourmet cooking, fishing, gardening, reading and helping care for his two sometimes misbehaved

cated in Pavilion II, 2870 Lewis Lane, Paris. The office telephone number is (903) 784-1433. He will begin seeing patients on Tuesday, July 15.

"Thou...savest by thy right hand them which put their trust in thee." Psalm 17:7B



day night July 19 from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Happy birthday to Phyllis Duffer,

Donnie Sgtrain, Jettie Minshew and Susie Meredith.

Winners of the 42 tournament held Thursday were; First Place-Burl Moore and Wanza Shefield and Second Place-Martie Garrett and Zela Puttette.

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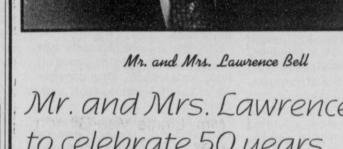
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for.

in Head and Neck Surgery. Dr. Romanow and his new bride, dogs.

Dr. Romanow's office will be lo-

Hildebrand, Alysa Hildebrand, Joyce



The children of Mr. and Mrs. Clarksville on Highway 82 West.



Local woman

Baylor Hospital.

three months.

undergoes transplant

went a Liver Transplant July 1st at

in rehab, where she will remain for

Ruth Ann Jones of Minter under-

She is now out of the hospital and

Anyone wishing to send cards or

letters may do so by sending them to

her at Twice Blessed House #2, 2732

Gaston, Apt. 128, Dallas, TX 75226

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Paris, TX

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or phone 214-748-4857.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Bell to celebrate 50 years

Lawrence Bell will honor their par- 1946 in Deport, Texas. ents with an anniversary reception Saturday, July 19, 1997 from 2:30 to Regina Whitley of Tyler, Regan Bell

The couple were married April 14, The couple's four children are

4:30 p.m. at the Church of Christ in of Bogata, Terry Bell of Clarksville and Tesa Riddle of Garland, They

> have nine grandchildren; Randy Allen, Steve Whitley, Melody Whitley, Jamey Whitley, LaTonya Bell, Crystal Bell, Brandon Bell, Randa Riddle and Hanna Riddle.

> Due to Lawrence's accident and extended hospital stay last year during their golden anniversary, the family would like to invite all friends and relatives of Lawrence and Reba to come and "officially" help them celebrate this special occasion.

Red River County

Sheriff's Report

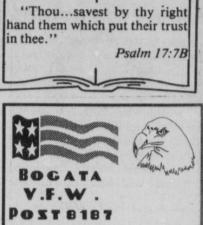
July 6-12

July 6: Criminal mischief on FM2120; welfare concern in Annona; theft in Avery; criminal trespass in

grandmother, Margie Walker and the great grandmother, Nettie Moore; Kathy Ewing, Ashley Mankins, Kristi

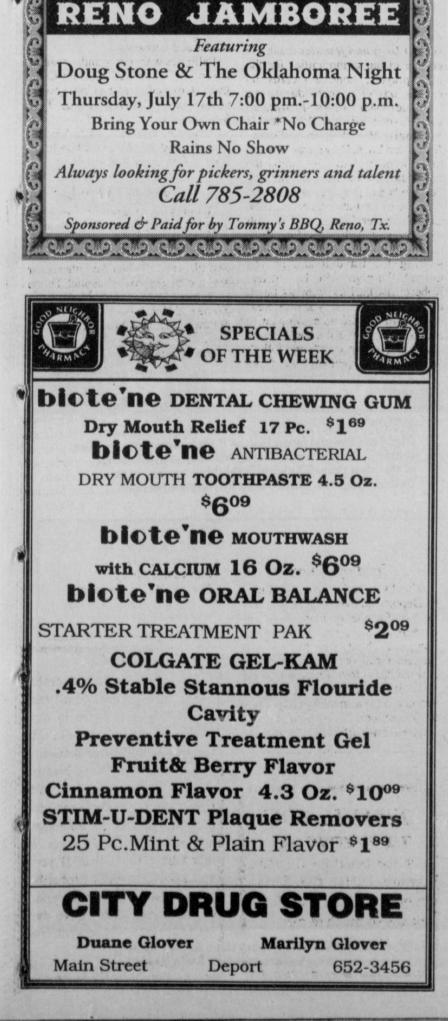
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Buckman and Patty Jones. Those attending were the maternal st NC. RE HOME HEALTH SERVICES 03 S. MAIN ST. - Bogata, Texas (903) 632 - 4602CARE 1st HOME HEALTH SERVICES And Think Child Safety Presents - WATER SAFETY TIPS ALWAYS SWIM WITH A LIFEJACKET IN DEEP WATER HAVE A SAFE & HAPPY SUMMER



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Bogata; disturbance in Bogata; welfare complaint.

July 7: Missing horse in Clarksvilole; unauthorized use of motor vehicle north of Clarksville; attempted burglary north of Clarksville; property dispute on Hwy. 37 south; disturbance on Hwy. 37 north; harborign a runaway in Clarksville; possible driving while intoxicated on Hwy. 82 east.

July 8: Structure fire in Bogata; requested assistance from Clarksville PD; assault family violence north of Clarksville; disturbance in Bagwell;

road hazard on FM114; reckless driver on Hwy 37 north; emergency message south of Annona.

July 9: Assistance from Clarksville PD; vehicle disturbance in Bagwell; harboring a runaway.

July 10: Disturbance in Bogata; motorist assist on Hwy. 82 east; burglary of habitation; burglary on Hwy. 37 nor6th; road barricade off Hwy. 271; noise disturbance in Detroit.

July 11: Theft in Detroit; criminal non support, possession of prohibited substance in correctional facility; theft in Avery; 911 hangup call west of Detroit; suspicious circumstances in Detroit.

Housewarming held for Thompson family

A housewarming was given Sunday, July 13 to Kathy and Bobby Thompson to celebrate their custom designed home. A theme of red, white and blue was used in the decor of the party accessories with lemonade and ice tea served as beverages.

Some sixty-five guests toured the home, that is the product of years of planning and designing.

Refreshments including assorted fresh fruit in a carved watermelon basket with fresh poppy-seed dressing, spicy chicken wings and a large decorated cake that read "Welcome To Our New Home" set off the casual atmosphere and complemented the design of the house.

The Thompson family, which also includes children Jessica and Jordan, received many gifts.

A part of kindness consists in loving people more than they deserve.

-Joseph Joubert



Kasey Crawford rides exibition

Kasey Crawford showed her skills as a Hunter-Jumper in an exibition at the Southern Classic Fox Trotting Horse Show in Sulphur Springs on Saturday.

The Southern Classic consists of a five state area. Kasey and her siste, Cristie, have been learning about the fox trotting horse at Pleasant Valley Farm in Bogata owned and operated by Johnny and Murl Hawks. The girls both are excellent riders and brought home several ribbons from the show.

Also showing were; Linda Crawford and Murl Hawks with Johnny being the groomer. Others attending the show were; Barry, Colt and Mandy Crawford, Bob and Gwin Womack and Jerry and Pat Crawford who also came to help celebrate their granddaughter, Cristie' birthday.

Look for the ridiculous in everything and you will find it. —Jules Renard



Johntown youth attend Six Flags

A group of 23 toddlers, teenagers, youth and adults traveled to Arlington on Saturday, July 12 to enjoy a day of great fun at Six Flags Over Texas. Everyone had a great time os seeing excitement on children's faces, enjoying caramel apples, cotton candy, funnel cake and soda pop.

Those attending were; Billie Pirtle, Kelly and Jacob Harville, Jana, Haley and Heather Hawkins, Steven, Kathy, Koren, Ryan, Seth and Seton Hawkins. Gena Haggard, Chance Belcher, Vance and Micki Pirtle, Stephanie and Lindsey Fischer, Celeste Hall, Hannah White, Bro. Bobby Clark and Jonathan.

Local youths compete in state tourney

The Red River Valley Dixie Boys Pony League 14 year old team spent the weekend in Texarkana compet-ing in the 1997 Dixie Boys Pony League State Tournament. The team consisted of boys selected from teams from Bogata, Talco and Clarksville. Those selected from Bogata included Clinton Cheatwood, Colby Guest, Joey Hanna, Chris Tidwell, Cole Warren and Dwayne Young. Keith Hines represented the Talco team and Miguel Costilla, Daniel Dilbeck, Jay Edwards, Jason Ervin, Rian Jones and Coren Townes were from Clarksville. The group was coached by Josh Belcher, Curtis Young and Daniel

Dilbeck.

The group began tournament play against Daingerfield on Saturday, losing. On Sunday they faced Lake Dallas and won that game. Greenville handed the team their second loss on Monday which took them out of tournament play.

The group enjoyed their weekend in Texarkana including a night's stay at the Sheratoin Four Pointe Hotel, breakfast at the field on Sunday morning, followed by a short church service. They were accompanied by several parents and other local supporters.

Scotland and the Yorkshire dales are lovely

By Nanalee Nichols For those interested, we will continue with our vacation up into Scotland.

We headed into Edinburgh fairly early after our short stay in the little village of Gifford. Edinburgh is about one million people and one of the few cities that I love.

The castle sprawls over it's hillside, dominating the landscape, keeping it's ancient and watchful eye over the city that has so much charm.

Probably, the lack of heavy industry is why it's such a charming place. Education and the arts figure heavily in Edinburgh's past and present.

High upon a hilltop, swept with a cold shower, we looked down into the town, the firth (or bay as we would call it) and out to the North Sea. The Scots have just received what they have been campaigning for years, their own parliament, which will begin meeting in Edinburgh soon. The ties with the United Kingdom are tangled and entrenched in hundreds of years of history, but many Scots would like to be a completely separate county, something unlikely to happen.

Having seen Edinburgh castle once, Idecided to forgo going through it again because of the great number of steep steps and walking involved. I watched Thomas and Medora vanish through the castle portal, on their way to see the plain but impressive Scottish Crown Jewels. They are the oldest in Europe, even if not the most jewel-studded and elaborate.

Phil took the van off to be washed and I ambled down the Royal Mile to poke around in shops.

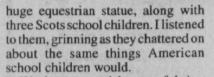
I visited something new, the Scotch Whiskey Heritage Center, which features a ride through displays and animated scenes and gives the tourist a history of whiskey making in Scotland. It was, and still is a major industry. One is offered a taste of Scotch at the end of the tour but I passed that opportunity by, Scotch tastes absolutely horrible to me!

I bought a few gifts then went back up the hill, still a little early. I ended up sheltering from the rain under a

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We drove around the graceful city, seeing it's collection of monuments. Only in Europe would "new town" be Georgian in era!

Holyrood house, the Medical college, Nelson's monument unrolled before our eyes.

We took Medora to the monument to Greyfriar's Bobby, the little dog who laid on his master's grave for fourteen years. It was so neat to have a gentleman about our age stop and explain that he had been an extra in the Disney movie "Greyfriar's Bobby" and could recall meeting Walt Disney.

We left then, heading down towards Moffat and the borders. After a quick bite to eat and our ubiquitous shopping stop, we headed into the Yorkshire Dales country. And what a country it was! Phil took off from the big roads and we climbed higher and higher and higher into the picture postcard scenery. Thomas spotted a very rare sight, a spike deer on the side of the road. He vanished into the blackness of the trees as if he had never been.

Brightly colored pheasants spotted the roadside and hills, paired off, male and females often together, added colorful jeweled spots to the vivid green.

For those who have read James Herriott's "All Creatures Great and Small" Series, I can vouch that his love of the Yorkshire Dales was justified, and it is easy to understand why he was willing to spend his life there.

We just couldn't exclaim over the magnificent vistas enough!

We pulled in to Haworth (which is pronounced more like Howorth) that evening. We were staying at the Old White Lion, a 300 year old inn right next to the Charlotte Bronte parsonage and church. Haworth must be seen to be believed! steep cobbled streets, slated topped roofs, chimney pots and views beyond compare.

Imagine our delight when we were

statue, along with ol children. I listened gas they chattered on e things American would. shown to our rooms and round a picture window opening onto a view of the dales that went on for miles and miles! We simply sat and stared for long minutes.

We had asked Phil if we could eat Indian food that night, and although he was tired and we suspected he would rather have had us eat at the inn so he wouldn't have to cart us around, he cheerfully agreed. That's when we put our plan into action.

We had discovered it was Phil's birthday earlier that week. So, we had been collecting little gifts, and even a small birthday cake. He looked quite mystified as Thomas went to the van and unloaded a cardboard box at the Indian restaurant.

Phil turned quite red when we began handing him presents. From home we had brought him a Tour de Paris tee shirt, Thunder Prairie Publishing mugs, pens, measuring tapes and a few other little things. Medora contributed a "Don't Mess With Texas" bumper sticker, a carved iron wood marlin from Mexico, and we had all gone in together to buy him a small stuffed lamb. The lamb is a joke, and one we just aren't going to go in to here! He genuinely seemed pleased, which was good, since he had gone every extra mile a guide could to please US!

We enjoyed Tikka Mussala, lamb, colored rice and a variety of other Indian food that was very good.

Of course, Thomas had to sample the hottest dish there, and found it good, but not too hot for our Tex-Mex trained pallets.

Upon returning to our room we couldn't even bear to draw the curtains, but just sat watching the lights slowly appear across the darkening hillsides. Slowly the geometric patterning of the stone walls faded, and all that was left was a faint gleam of light. Somewhere about then we faded too, and went sound to sleep.

The next day would prove to be one of our all time favorites on this trip, as we took an early walk, visited the surgery from the James Herriott books, and enjoyed York.



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STEEP STREETS in Haworth, the village of author Charlotte Bronte' fame, look as if they came from another century. The Yorkshire Dales probably provides some of the most peaceful and breathtaking scenery in the United Kingdom. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)



ROOM WITH A VIEW-cloud studded, rolling hills with quaint stone walks bisecting the countryside make for a beautiful view from a three hundred year old inn in Haworth, England. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)



Spending the night with Mr. and Mrs. Donald Screws and Tana Friday night were Christopher and Jerred Guerra of Paris.

Among the out of town visitors in Bogata to attend the funeral of Era Smelser Saturday were: Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hayes, Sheila and Gene Owen, Justin and Jamie and Scotty and Kim Hayes of Texarkana, Sharon and Freddie Davis of Ashdown, Arkansas, Sandra and John Reily Haldemon of Houston, Raynard and Sandra Screws, Jennifer and Mikala of Ardmore, Oklahoma, Mike and Lila Screws of Deport, Chris, Jerry, Christopher and Jerry Guerra of Paris, Murl and Evelyn Roach of Deport, Linda and Wayne Woods of Gladewater and Margaret Smith of Clarksville.

Gerlyn Gray returned home after an additional three weeks in Dallas where she was helping her daughter Judy care for baby Hayden at Children's Hospital.

Weekend guests of Helen Williams were George and Janet Hobbs of Huntsville, Susan Hobbs of Grand Prairie, Granville and Hletha Jones of Commerce and Patty Horton of Bagwell.

Tricia Martin surprised her mother, Phyllis Duffer, with a 50th birthday party at Western Sizzlin' Restaurant in Sulphur Springs on Sunday. All kinds of "Over the Hill" decorations were used. Attending were Jim and Sue Mauldin, Lorene Duffer all of Irving, Sarah Senter, Amy Piland and Laynie all of Red Oak, Robert and Debbie Hill and Andrew of Garland, Susie Meredith of Locksburg, AR., Tricia, Corey and Casey Martin of Bismark, AR., Jackie, Linda and Jody Gray and Zelma Mauldin all of Bogata. Phyllis received many nice gifts and lots of "Over the Hill" cards and gifts.

Jerry Dodd was honored July 12, 1997 with a hamburger cook-out for his 77th birthday at his home in Ro-

Immodest words admit of no defense, For want of decency is want of sense.

> -Wentworth Dillon, Earl of Roscommon



Bogata News Locals By Judy screws

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salie. Those attending were his wife Betty, daughters Linda Farris of Bogata and Nelda and Bob Belzung of Mesquite. Jerry also received a phone call from his son, Jerry Dodd Jr. of Lovington, New Mexico wishing him a happy birthday.

Dinner guest in the home of Ed and Lois Huddleston Saturday were their granddaughters, Annette Hudson and Andrea McKenize of Lewisville and nieces, Shirley Burkes of Blossom and Virginia Browning of Texarkana. Thursday, June 10, 1997, Judy Holt

and son Hayden came home from Children's Hospital in Dallas. Hayden had been a patient there since the night of his birth, April 15, due to Spina-Bifda. Hayden was flown to Dallas by Care Flite Jet and spent 63 days in the Neo-Natal Intensive Care Unit where he underwent 7 major surgeries. He spent an additional 23 days in a private room on the sixth floor. Judy and Hayden were flown to Mt. Vernon by Care Flite Jet and transported to Cuthand by ambulance.

Paul Dunham, son of Warren and Debbie Dunham of Commerce, and grandson of Gaston and Roberta Puckett of Bogata, has been named to the Dean's List for the Spring Semester at Texas A & M University, Commerce. To be eligible for the Dean's List students must post a minimum of 3.25 grade point average on at least 12 semester hours. Paul worked two weeks as student athletic trainer at Dallas Cowboy's Jay Novacek football camp on Texas A & M University-Commerce campus in June. Paul also served as Boy Scouts of America assistant scoutmaster, Troop 27 of Commerce during their week at Camp Dierks on the Glover River near Wright City, Oklahoma.

Visiting with Zelma Mauldin over the weekend were Jim and Sue Mauldin from Irving, Susie Meredith from Locksburg, AR., Tricia Corey and Casey Bradley of Bismark, AR. and Kenneth and Phyllis Duffer.

Barry, Elen and Jesse Hanna and Sherri Cheatwood spent the weekend in Texarkana watching the Red River Valley Dixie Boys 14 year old team compete in the state tournament in which Joey Hanna and Clinton Cheatwood participated.

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LOCALS

By Jana Hawkins

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Dan and Mary Kathryn Cotten at-

tended the annual Kirk family re-

union on Saturday. The reunion was

held at Bridges Chapel Community

Center in Titus County. Also attend-

ing was their son, Larry Cotten, Ryan

Dorothy Foster, Robbie Hawkins,

Drue and Billie Pirtle, James and

Clara Gaddis traveled to Mt. Pleasant

to attend revival services at Dam-

ascus Missionary Baptist Church,

Pastor Ronnie Steward of Johntown.

Joyce and Glenda Cox were Cindy,

Sean and Steven Robertson of Euless.

joyed having Gena Haggard and

Koren Hawkins as over night guests

Tracey Eudy at Johntown MBC on

Sunday from 3-4 pm. Everyone hon-

ored her with many nice gifts.

reported doing well.

A baby shower was given for

Tommy Lee, Joyce and Glenda

Cox visited Joyce's sister, Betty Evans

of Mt. Vernon. However, she was in

the McCuistion Hospital in Paris. She

returned home on Thursday and is

Former resident here to attend the

Kirk family reunion at Bridges Chapel

Community Center Saturday were

Robert and Betty Harper, John and

Beth Hubbard, Molly, Sally, Cassie

and Sam all of Sherman, Sally and

The W.T. Dodd annual family "get

together" was held Saturday July 12.

Volleyball, dominoes and cards were

enjoyed while the brisket cooked.

Everyone reported a fun day. Those

attending were; W.T. (Taterbill) and

Mary Lou Dodd, Stacy Dodd, B.J.

and Darean Smith and Brandon

Jaggers of Johntown, Tammy Dodd

and Terry Richeson of Bogata,

Brandy Jaggers of Mt. pleasant, Joe

and Joy Woods and Ma and Pa (Skeet

and Mary) Holly of Clarksville. Later

Saturday afternoon, Shane Dodd and

Eric Williams of Lewisville.

Friday night.

Heather and Haley Hawkins en-

Sunday visitors of Tommy Lee,

and Amanda and Rex of Frisco.

Cunningham man recalls beloved home

The 1997 Cunningham Homecoming was held Saturday, June 28, 1997, on the grounds of the former school buildings. The community had joined together to build a nice covered pavilion. That, with the large oak trees, gave us shade from the summer sun as we gathered from 12 noon until 8 p.m. A delicious barbecue dinner was served at 6 p.m. Before dinner I was asked to pray and before I prayed I was compelled by my heart to say a few words. The following is an enlargement of what I said at the homecoming.

With over 300 people coming in from different directions and from various backgrounds, it was most unusual not to see even one cigarette smoked and no thought of having beer or strong drink on the premises. Whatever the opinions of individuals were, you had the feeling that if anyone showed up with a can of beer he would have been chased off the grounds.

Music was provided by a local group, joined by several others and though many of the songs had the country western flavor they were all gospel songs. This was not really a 'religious" gathering-it was a home-

place that can outdo Cunningham and the surrounding area as God honoring people.

ham and I well remember as a small boy how farmers would stop their teams and remove their hats when a funeral procession passed by. I also remember when at the open air gospel meetings, often held in our community, men who did not profess to be Christians sat on the fenders of the cars, respectfully listening and ready to serve as self appointed security for their wives and children in the services

My wife, Ruth was with me tens years ago at another homecoming and she was touched when I stood to pray over the food-every many removed his hat and bowed his head. She was amazed at no smoking and no drinking. And she was delighted by the gospel sing which followed the meal. You see, we live in San Antonio where everything is different, even the present fad of some, wearing caps and hats in public gatherings with no thought of removing them.

My roots are in Cunningham. I was saved there in an altar with sawdust in a combined Methodist and Baptist revival. Though we were Methodist, Brother Roland, the Baptist preacher, preached me under conviction. We all went down to the channel for baptisms. The Baptist sang for us Methodists as we were baptized, then we stood on he bank and sang while the Baptists had their baptisms.

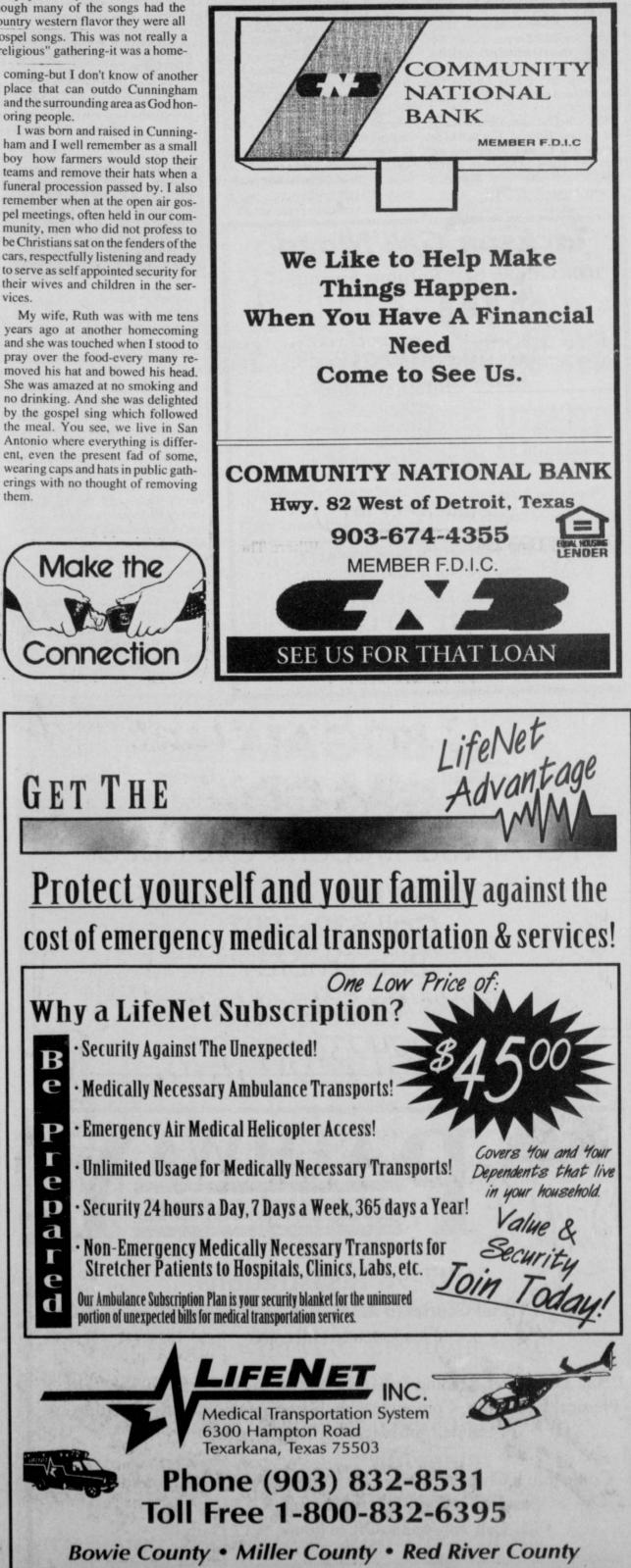
I received a good High School education at Cunningham and was sent off to Bible College by people of the community who donated all kinds

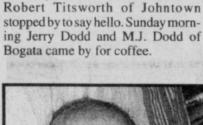
of staple goods to cover my first year tuition in the Tulsa, Oklahoma Bible College. My mother and father are

buried in the Cunningham cemetery, along with my brother Harold and many other family members. Cunningham holds a special place in my heart, not just the town itself, but the wonderful people who live there.

These are only a few reasons why I can truthfully say that for me, there's just no place like Cunningham, Texas. And I tell my friends that you can even find Cunningham on some maps.

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Hayden William Holt

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Mr. and Mrs. Howard Fowler and Mr. and Mrs. Doug Fowler of Maud visited Lucy Fowler. Howard and Evelyn attended the homecoming and class reunion.

Recently, Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Nance of Ft. Stockton visited Norman and Rachel a night asnd day. Mrs. Mary Briscoe of Reno visited Tuesday. Thursday visitors were Olie Ruth, Carl Bufford and Juen Guthrie of Talco and Virginia Bell of Paris. Norman and Rachel attended Francis and D.C. Thomas wedding anniversary celebration Saturday evening.

Ryan Cooper spent Sunday night with his grandparents, Bush and JoDell Cooper.

Recent5 visitors of Lorette Pynes were Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Bazhaw and Madison of Dallas, Andrew Bazhaw of Gilmer. Last week, Monday through Thursday, Lorette Pynes of Cunningham, Sue Pynes of Paris, Dean Ogden, Mike, Janie and Alicia Hawks of Longview enjoyed a vacation trip to Galveston, Monday, Dean, Janie, Sue and Lorette visited Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hereford of Sour Lake. Thursday they returned to Dean's in Longview and Friday Loretta and Sue returned home after shopping in Longview

Shane and Zarinska Morton, Randy and Linsey Hoover, Stacy, Linda, Stoney and Charity Musgrove and Pam and Larry O'Neal ate supper with Johnnie and Nelta Musgrove Sunday night.

Monday, Davy Jo and Carol Williams enjoyed lunch at Nanies place in Cunningham. Susie Norwood, her grandchildren,

Laurie Christon and children and Dot Stephens spent the weekend at Lake Bob Sandlin.

and Aaron Fox went to Six Flags.

Darrell and Ida Mae Norwood attended Kyle Foster and Alecia Huffman's wedding Saturday in Paris. John Walker of Paris ate lunch with Darrell and Ida Mae Sunday

O'Neal and Weston Drinnon spent Saturday night with William and Nina Drinnon in Frogville, OK. Dewayne and Lisa visited William and Nina on Sunday

Frankie Norwood, Amber Norwood, Deanna Merrill, Kendra Hicks, Jonathan Newman attended the state Agricultural Convention in Amarillo, the talent team performed there. Joe and Ronda Merrill and boys spent several days in Amarillo.

Correction from last week: donations: Georgia Oats , a framed copy of 1943 Cunningham senior class picture; Weldon and Louise Oats, framed copy of 1946 senior casss picture; Lavon Cox, \$10 to replace broken glass on his senior picture; Margie Songner Skidmore, a 1947 basketball team picture.

We are hoping to copy 1938 and 1941. Please provide names of persons in these classes. We need to copy 1954 sernior picture.

Paris Teen League All-Stars to compete

The Paris Teen League All-Stars will be participating in the state tournament beginning on July 19th in Lufkin and Nacogdoches. The 15-16 yar old Pre-Majors dominated their district, outscoring their opponents 47-3 in three games.

The Majors 17-18 year old Mike, Jan and Jaleia Fox, Mikie struggled in the first game, but gained momentum and won all three games handily.



Get your facts first, and then you can distort 'em as much as you please.

Mark Twain

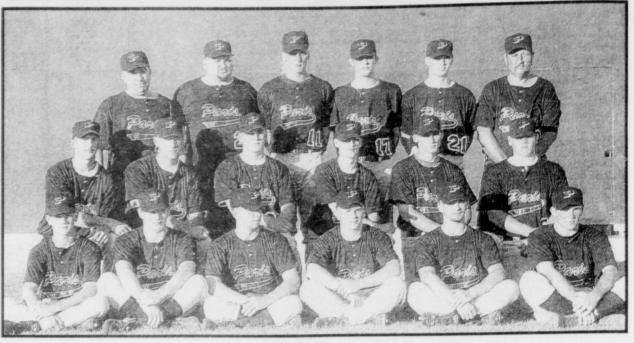
Matter of Fact **Rick Perry Texas Agriculture Commissioner**

Eighty percent of endangered wildlife habitat exists on private land. So why is it when landowners make every effort to attract these species, they're often punished with additional regulatory restrictions?

Now believe it or not, that statement comes from an Environmental Defense Fund report. The announcement goes on to say that the only way the Endangered Species Act will ever work is by rewarding landowners for good stewardship.

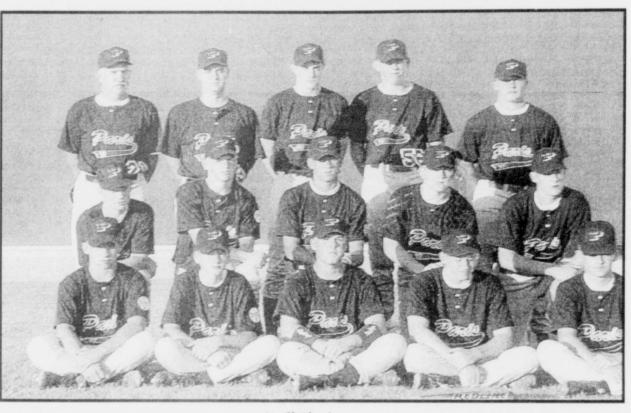
The fact is despite some 24 years that the Endangered Species Act has been on the books, it has failed to truly protect wildlife. And according to this EDF report, it's because the Act has declared war on landowners - the very people who can play the biggest role in protecting wildlife.

Now I'm not about to say I told you so. If anything, Texas landowners should welcome the Environmental Defense Fund's endorsement of our efforts with open arms. It's a lot better than getting poked in the nose.



(Staff Photo)

PARIS MAJORS competing in the state tournament in Nacogdoches this coming weekend is pictured back row from left Coach Mike Yaross, Coach Spangler, Jeremy Day, Shawn Hill, Gatz Nottingham and Coach Brink. Middle row is Mike Yaross, David Ford, Mark Gibbs, Marcus Woods, Kris Malone and Brett Callihan. Seated is Jason Exum, Quinn Sessums, Matt Bean, Ryan Cope, Joey McCoin and Brandon Shelby.



(Staff Photo)

PARIS PRE-MAJORS competed in the state tournament in Lufkin this coming weekend is from left back row is Coach Billy Shelby, Coach Mike Henry, Jeff Easton, Scott Moffitt and Coach Zachery Allen. Middle row is Bryan Thoms, Matt Wolf, Brent Edwards, Brett Shelby and Brandon Denison. Seated is Ryan McCoin, Dustin Stickland, Justin Bowerman, Kyle Easton adn Dustin Allen. Not pictured is Dalen Bunch and Craig Russell.

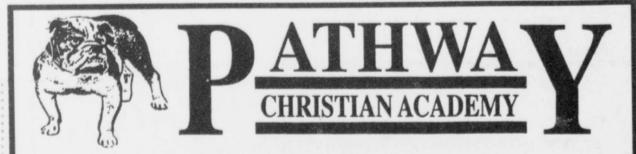
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schools with poor performance

Several area high schools are among those from which students may transfer because the schools have failed to meet cerstandards.

The 1,153 schools have either been rated low-performing in any one of the last three years or had fewer than 50 percent of students passing the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills test during any two of the last three years.

Area high schools meeting the designation include Paris, Sulphur Springs, Mount Pleasant, Rains, Pittsburg and Clarksville. An alternative school in Mount Pleasant also fell into the category.

Under state law, parents of students at the schools, which include elementary, middle/junior high and high schools, are eligible to transfer their children to schools in other districts, provided those districts accept transfer students. Districts are not required to accept transfer students under the law, called the Public Education Grant Program. Mount Vernon Schools have recently adopted a "no transfer" policy. Those who accept students transferring under the program are not required to provide transportation services to those students.

Although the law is called the Public Education Grant Program, it is not a grant for which parents apply. State and local school officials ensure that the state and local education funds that would be provided to the students home districts follow the students to their new schools.

This is not the type of grant program where the parent or student applies directly for funds, said Commissioner of Education Mike Moses.

school in another district to which they wish to transfer their child and the district agrees to tain academic performance accept the transfer, the money will automatically follow the student to their new school.

Parents do not need to file any paperwork with the state, but they may have to complete some paperwork locally to ensure that their child's educational records are transferred to the new school.

Students can transfer only to other public school campuses in other public school districts under the PEG program. Private schools are not eligible to receive PEG funds. The program applies only to transfers from one district to another, and does not govern transfers to different schools within the same district. Those transfers are governed by local policy.

The PEG program was established in 1995, when state lawmakers dramatically overhauled the state's education laws to provide more local control and parental choice in public education. In 1995-96, although 491,005 students at 652 campuses were eligible to transfer to another school under the program, only 31 students actually requested and got such transfers, largely because many Texas school districts do not accept outside transfers. In addition, PEG-receiving school districts are not required to provide transportation services to students transferring under the program. Although those provisions remained intact during this year's legislative session, lawmakers did add a provision requiring local school officials to notify parents of students eligible for the PEG by Feb. 1 of each year. As a transition between the old and new legisla-

Once a parent finds a public tion, for this year only, schools that meet the criteria are required to notify parents of their students' PEG eligibility by Sept. 1. The notification must include a clear, concise explanation of the PEG and how parents can obtain further information on transferring their children to schools in other districts. TEA officials say 796,846 students are eligible for the PEG this year.

Lawmakers also provided for increased funding for districts that accept students transferring under the PEG Program. For every PEG student a district accepts, the per-pupil state education funding of \$2,387 is increased by 10 percent, provided that a district has more students transferring in under the PEG than transferring out.

A copy of the list has been sent to every public school superintendent's office in Texas. Parents who want to know whether their children are eligible for the program should contact their local school superintendent's office.

Pat Wright **Courthouse Squares**





RED RIVER ALL STARS NATIONAL TEAM 13-14-15 AGE DIXIE BELLES- Coaches Ricky Daniels and Randy Hollis on back row. Middle Row- DeAnn Pressley, Cheryl Griffin, Jamie Daniels, Missy Carroll, Courtney Jones and Kim Ross. Front Row- Coach Cindy Brown, Carolina Prado, Jill Foster, Tiffany Prentice, Candace Yaross, Theressa Foster and Sandy Brown. (Photo by Nancy Brown)



Belcher. Second Row- Daniel Dilbeck, Dwayne Young, Ryan Jones and Colby Guest. Third Row- Miquel Costilla, Clinton Cheatwood, Cole Warren, Keith Hines, Chris Tidwell and Cory Townes. Front Row- Jason Irvin, Joev Hanna and

Trivia Test by Linda Luckhurst

1. Nicknames: Who was known as the "King of Ragtime?

2. Geography: What is the capital of Afghanistan?

History: Who was the moderator for the Kennedy-Nixon debates in 1960?

- Films: Who created the Keystone Kops?
- 5. Plays: Who wrote "Dial M for Murder?

6. Careers: What did Stanley Kubrick do for a living before becoming a film writer/director/producer?

7. Language: What is the fourth most often spoken language in North America?

8. Music: Who recorded the September, 1978 number one hit single, "Boogie Oogie Oogie?"

Trivia Test Answers

1. Scott Joplin; 2. Kabul; 3. Howard K. Smith; 4. Mack Sennett; 5. Frederick Knott; 6. photographer for "Look" magazine; 7. Italian; 8. A Taste of Honey ©1991 by King Features Syn

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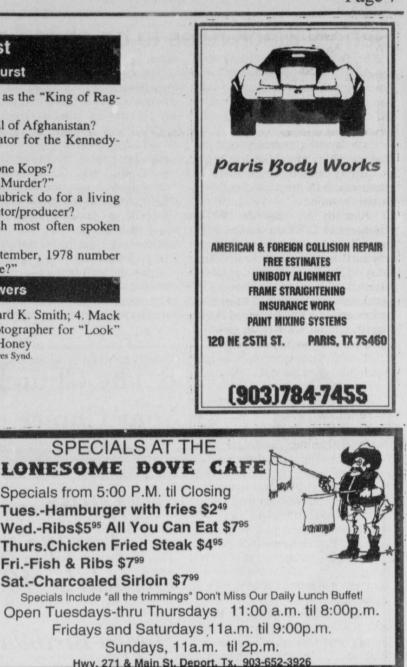
The majority of smoke detectors in American homes may not detect the most common house fire in a timely manner, says electrical engineering professor Dr. B. Don Russell, an associate dean of engineering at Texas A&M University.

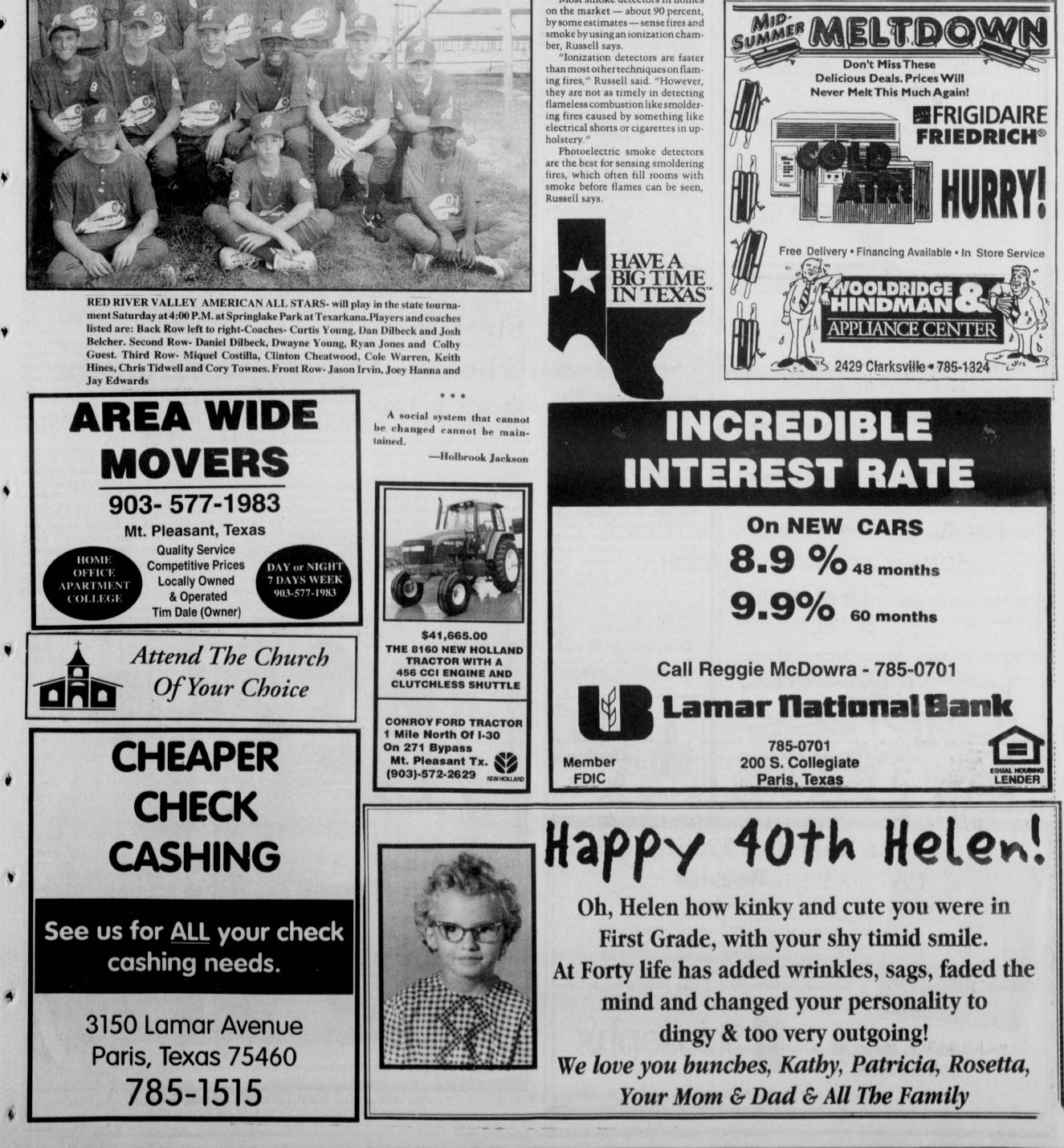
Russell, who has been studying detector failure for more than a decade, has testified in several court cases involving smoke detectors and has been a guest on the ABC News program "20-20" for a segment on smoke detectors.

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Thursday, July 17 1997

School lunch rules to be observed

The Talco-Bogata cafeteria staff would like to explain the way the government lunch program works due to children and parents misunderstanding the guidelines set by the government.

Each day the government requires that one of three combinations be put on the tray of each child to meet the requirements for breakfast. Four components must be offered and claimed in order for the school to receive reimbursement. This means that these items must be put on the childrens tray but it does not mean that the child must eat the items. Several students have asked the cafeteria staff not to put certain foods on their trays. But by law and in order for the school to receive reimbursement this must be

done. The cafeteria staff also must put three items from each combination of a balanced diet at lunch in order for the government reimbursement. In grades Pre-K through 12 students must have been served per week or daily ; 2 ozs. meat, poultry or fish, 2 ozs. cheese, 1 egg, 1/2 cup beans or peas, 4 Tablespoons peanut butter or other nut or seed butters, 3/4 cup of vegetable or fruits, 8 servings of bread or bread alternate per week, minimum of 1 serving per day and 1/ 2 pint milk per day.

Again the staff reminds everyone that students are not required to eat these foods but they must be served for government reimbursement.

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Welfare board holding "back to school" drive

The Red River County Child Welfare Board has set up a back to school fund for the low income children in the community. Starting Monday, July 14 and ending Sunday, August 31, they will accept donations for the fund. The Child Welfare Board hopes that all private citizens, clubs, merchants, churches and employers will participate in this drive.

The Child Welfare Board has begun the fund because it has found that children from low income families, families that routinely face financial crisis are often deprived of the basic tools necessary to actively participate in their education. Experience reveals that school supplies often take a back seat to rental and utility payments. Further observations indicate that when furnished with the proper tools necessary to actively participate in their education children are more likely to obtain knowledge and

knowledge is power, power which can be used to overcome many of the obstacles they now face.

The Child Welfare Board is confident that when the children from low income families are furnished with the basic tools for learning, they will receive the self-esteem booster needed to help break the cycle of

poverty, despair and crime.

For information on how you or your organization can help with the education of low income children by supplying school supplies please contact Randy Cooper at the Farm Bureau in Clarksville at 427-2145 or if you would like to make a donation directly, make your check payable to the Child Welfare Board, School Supply Fund and mail it to: Ms. 5611. Proceeds will go to the upkeep Shirley Anderson, Red River County Auditor, Courthouse Annex, Clarksville, TX 75426 or call 427-2131.

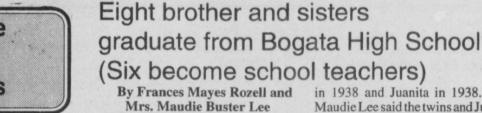
Christopher family reunion held

The Christopher family reunion was held July 5. A fine time was enjoyed by all. Those who didn't show up missed a great time.

Canter of Houston, David Canter, Jr. Those attending the get together, of Annapolis, Janice Henry of which was held at the home of Randy Lancaster, Michelle Brown of El Christopher were: Gussie Musick and Paso, Randy Christopher of Clarks-Bud and Mary Christopher of Bogata, ville, Raymond Thomas and Robert Christopher of Henderson, Lauren Ida Christopher, Clarksville, Joe and Mary Christopher, Fort Worth, C.K. and Elizabeth Gaudette of and Zella Warren, Athens, Darrell Nacogdoches, Gary and Jan Christoand Sherry Warren, McKinney, pher of Conroe, Greg and Stacy Lowell and Bonnie Griffin, Mesquite, Blackard of Arlington, Herbert Don Christopher of Caddo Mills, Poleriasd and Thomas Rowdon of Jackie and Joan Phillips and Ross Carrollton. Edward Price of Clarksville, Melba



WORK IN PROGRESS-The RedRiver County Historical Society is in the process of restoring the Lennex home in Clarksville. According to the Historical Society President Jack Herrington the project is expected to be completed by the end of the year. President Herrington purposes the house be used for special occasions such as service clubs, weddings



Mr. Tient McCrury and his wife, The Fulbright Community Club is Maud Warren McCrury, were the sponsoring a garage sale on October parents of twelve children, seven sons at the Community Center. If you and five daughters, eight survived to can donate something for the same, adulthood. please call Katy Vandeaver 652-6805; The McCrury family came to Red Betty Rodgers 652-6051; Lisa bEaty River County in the early 1830s. Mr. 652-3911 or Beryl Jean Miller 632-John McCrury homesteaded two sec-

of the center.

There will be an ice cream supper at the Fulbright Community Center on Monday, August 4 starting at 7 p.m. Bring a freezer of cream and join the fun.

each other from influenza.. He was only six years old at the time. Mr. Tient and Maud saw the need for a school when their eldest child, Edie, reached school age. They spearheaded the task of getting a school Henry of Fort Worth, Joe and Joseph district established, which was ac-Espononisa of Fort Worth, David, complished with the opening of a one Zebbie, Merrell, Jessica and Cody room, one teacher school on McCrury

> land. The brothers and sisters who graduated from Bogata High School were: Edie McCrury Stogner-graduated 1926. Edie was one of the class members who did the history of Bogata School in 1925. Floyd graduated in 1930. He was teaching in Bogata and was a member of the coaching team in 1939. Mr. Fly (who was Superintendent in Bogata in 1918-1921) came to Bogata and got Floyd McCrury and Roy Leftwich to go to Odessa, to teach. Warren graduated in 1933,, twins, Clifford and Clifton graduated

tions of land which came to be the

area known as McCrury. This was

of his parents died within a week of

Mr. Tient was born in 1886. Both

Mr. Tient McCrury's grandfather.

in 1938 and Juanita in 1938. Mrs. Maudie Lee said the twins and Juanita graduated the same year because Clifton had really bad case of mumps and couldn't go to school enough to finish has grade so his twin sister, Clifford, stayed back with him putting them to graduate with Juanita. Horace Albert graduated in 1940 and Ray Earl graduated in 1944.

All of the children taught school with the exception of Horace Albert and Warren.

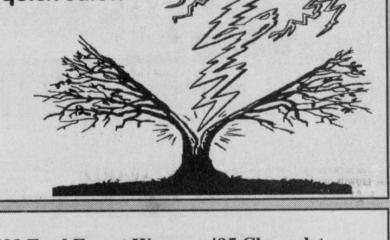
Mrs. J.N. (Maudie Lee and I had a nice visit a few days ago. Her mother, Mrs. Edd Buster and Mrs. Tient McCrury were sisters so all these graduates were first cousins to Maudie Lee.

Maudie told me that one day she and her cousin, Warren were playing near the barn. They were about five years old. Mr. McCrury saved corn shucks in a crib for feed. Maudie and Warren found a way to "fall" into the crib. She said they were so afraid. They couldn't get out and thought they would surely starve and die. Of course some little while later parents came hunting and calling. Maudie said, "We started yelling" Her we are in the corn crib". Her mother reached in and pulled them out to safety.

The surviving children of Mr. Tient nd Mrs. Maud McCrury are: Clifford

Our "Storm Tag" sale has been so successful we are overstocked with clean, late model used cars. We

have them priced for quick sale!!



'93 Ford Escort Wagon '95 Chevrolet **Monte Carlo** 57k miles

Lordy, Lordy Glenda's 40 ! Happy Birthday

and etc. People





Patter Reunion held July 12, 1997

The Patter reunion was held Saturday, July12, 1997 at the Bogata Community Center. Everyone reported a wonderful time. Lots of visiting took place, looking at photos, taking pictures and a white elephant sale was held in the afternoon. The children enjoyed this greatly and some of the adults got to act like children again.

Those present were; Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Patter of Kaufman, Mary Patter of Detroit, Elsie Smith, Jewelene Manning, W.L. Manning, Jonny Manning and Betty Sims of Paris, Louise (Patter) Stovall of Marshall. Brenda (Patter) Andrews of Wylie, Maurine Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Miller and Paula of Rio Vista, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Allen and Billy J. Allen

of Blum, Sarah Allen of Keene, Jack Patter of Durant, OK., Gena and Haden Applegate of Walnut Springs,

Attend

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This Sunday

Leon Watson, Carolyn Fox and Mike Clark, Rhonda Robertson, Tonya Wartham, Jerri Cannon, Jerad Smith, Rick Smith of Dallas, Jackie Lynn Knight, Stefan Brion, Craig Cannon, Tanya Tucker and Sherea Roach, Eddie Barnard, Lawanza Barnard, Mr. and Mrs. Don Barnard, Dorothy Foster, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Deberry and Brandy Aldridge, Willie Rector, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ogg of Bogata area, Hazel Lamb of Sunnyvale, Mr. and Mrs. John Bernal of Brandon, Florida and Norma Jean and Crystal Wooten of Wylie.

who lives in Colorado, Clifton who lives in Lockhart and Horace who lives in Las Vegas.

Kidd Reunion held July 5, 1997

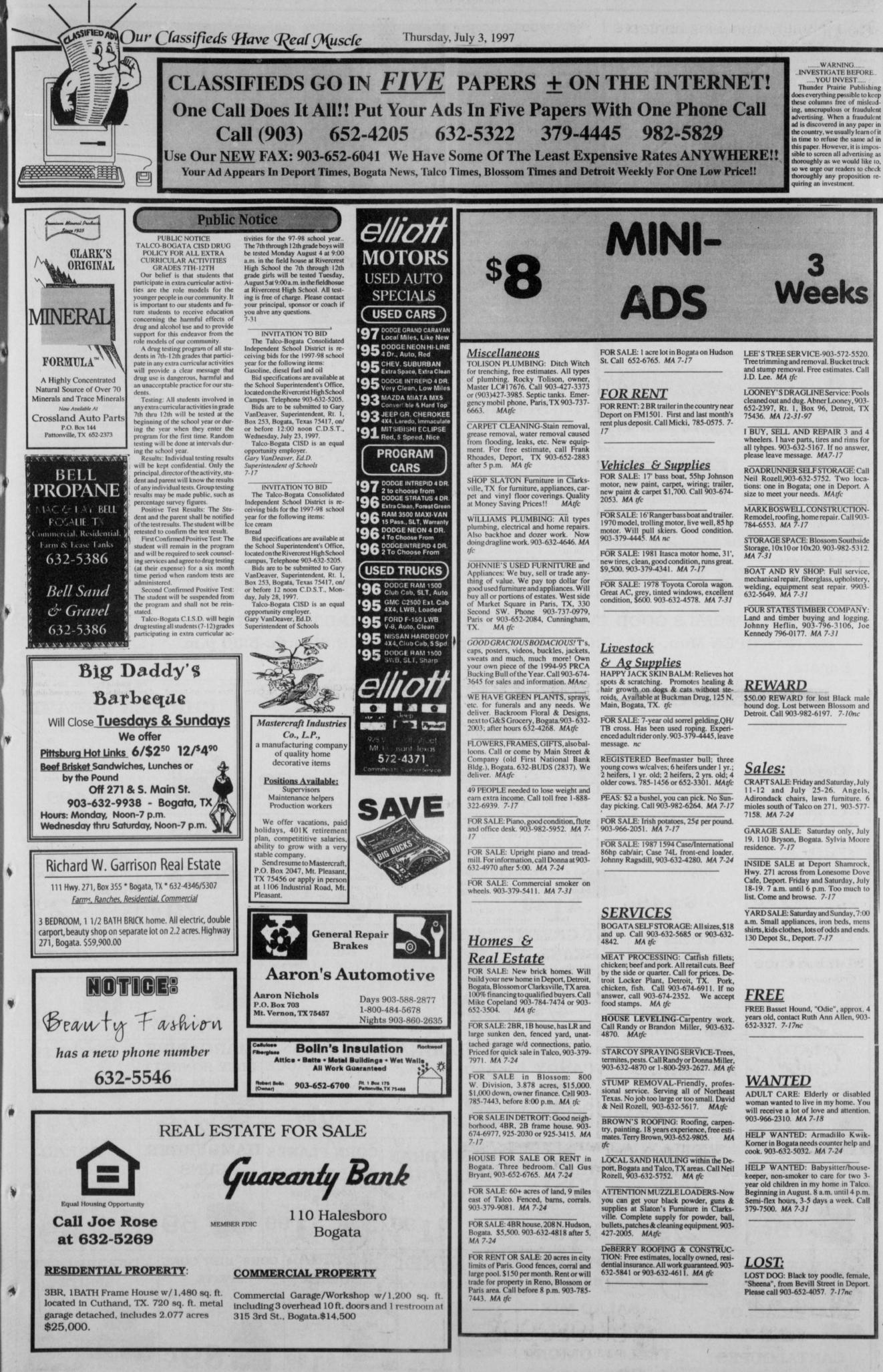
The descendants of J.C. and Margaret Kidd met July 5, 1997 at the aRosalie Community Center. All enjoved a wonderful meal, looked at old photo and remenisced of old times. A good time was experineced by all.

Those in attendance were; Virginia Williams, Ken and Sharon Stewart, Jason and Kelly Stewart, Ken, Sheila, Blake and Brandon Stewart, Ronny, Judy and Jamie Williams, Curtis and Nell Kidd, Linda and Clay Sikes, Jennifer Molaris, Gaston and Roberta Puckett, Debbie and Kim Dunham, Jimmy and Nancy Puckett,

Nicole Hervey, Brian Gifford, Amy and Tanner Day, Johnny Puckett, Jerry, Rhonda and Blaze Burns, Loyd and Helen Chandler, Tana and Cody Guest, Susan Robinett, Dustin Rose, Dennis, Janice, Chad and Aaron Martin, Marla Brooks, Cole Warren, Ronny, Lesa, Zak and Blakely Hill, Sarah Broach, Johnny and Edith Brawner, Terry, Angie, Jennifer, Amber and heather Sulsar, Jamie Bobo, Brad, Karen and Justin Sulsar, Mark, Roberta, Bradley, Ashley, Rachel and Paige Sulsar.



The children of J.C. and Margaret Kidd;Edith Brawner, Helen Chandler, Roberta Puckett, Curtis Kidd and Virginia Williams.

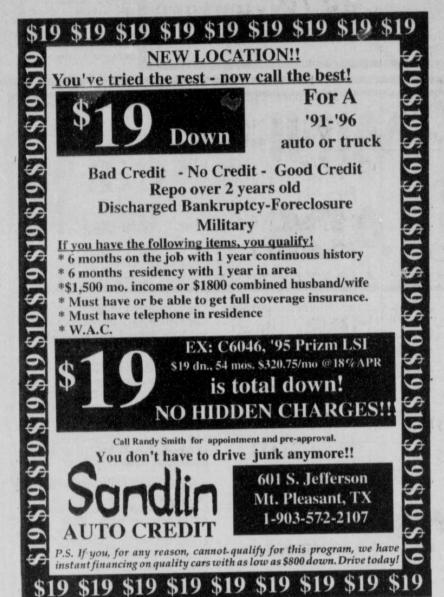


Courtney Lemme wins contest

Courtney Lemme, second grade student at Bogata Elementary School was crowned Petunia Princess at the Detroit Homecoming July 5,1997. The contest was sponsored by the Detroit Lions Club as a fund-raiser to help defray the costs of a concrete floor recently laid in the Detroit Tabernacle. Courtney raised over \$500 to be applied toward this project.

There were six contestants in the contest and they raised over \$1,000. Courtney received a 4250 savings bond for her effort. Second place winner was Dori Sommerville who received a \$150 savings bond. Courtney is the daughter of Randy

and Lorrie Lemme. She would like to express her appreciation to all of her Bogata friends for their support.





(Staff Photo by Dale Miller) **DETROIT PETUNIA PRINCESS Courtney Lemme is** crownedat the recent Homecoming at Detroit.

First Baptist VBS report

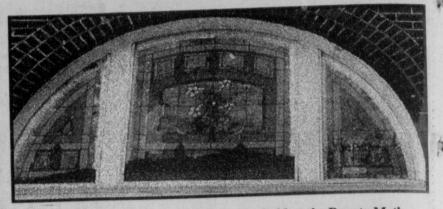
is having a rip-roaring, exciting time at Vacation Bible School this week.

118 children and 43 adults and young people are enrolled in this year's " Wild and Wonderful Good News Stampede". Each room, the halls and the auditorium are decorated with western theme.

Each morning Bro. Rick Holeman has led the group in a lively and up

The First Baptist Church in Bogata beat time of worship. The group would like all parents, relatives and friends of the VBS cowboys and cowgirls to attend Family Night on July 17 beginning at 7:00 p.m.

All students will participate in the 'Good News Stampede" musical and then everyone will tour the VBS classrooms and enjoy homemade ice cream following. Come join the fun!



ATTENDING- regularly at the services held at the Bogata Methodist Church are, a hive of bees, who have taken up residence in the top stained glass window on the front of the church. The insects have not attempted to sting anyone but their presence is troubling.(Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Letters

to the

editor

Lions help with bingo

The Bogata Lions Club helped with bingo at the Red River Healthcare Center on July 15.

Winners were Nona Reppond, Dude Lassiter, Dolly CArroll, Shelia Gibson, Casey York, Nellie Butts, Ann Cody, Jettie Minshew, George Hancock and Billie Hancock.

Lion members helping with the games were Buck RAmsey, Raymon and Lou Ada Franklin, Travis Harbison, Coy Coker, John Ragsdill and Mary Colflesh.

Jettie Bond hosts 84 Club meeting

Jettie Bond was hostess for the monthly meeting of the 84 Club at her home Thursday evening.

Two tables were arranged for games. A delicious salad supper was served to the following members; Faye Conine, Shirley Allums, Ethel Epps, Maggie Lee, Willie Mae Gray, Maurine and Seb Mankins and Jimmie King. Everyone enjoyed the food, games and fellowship.

The August meeting will be hosted by Ethle Epps.



I am writing in response to the letter written by Sybil McClanahan. regarding the condition of the cemetery. I have been very angry about the condition of the cemetery as well. My grandparents, Raymond and Madge Screws, are buried in what appears to be a jungle. I think this is very disrespectful to the memory of my grandparents. I have new flowers that I would like to put on my grandparents graves, but it won't do any good because when they do decide to mow the grass, the weeds are so high that the new flowers will be destroyed by the mowers simply because they can't be seen. Having been the caretaker of a cemetery myself, I also know how easy it is to hit a monument with a lawn mower when the grass gets that tall. Believe me the blades of a mower can chip or break those monuments. I hope the Cemetery Association will take notice of our concerns and try and remedy this problem.

Sincerely, Darin Screws

