By Nanalee Nichols

Tuesday was the 4th of July. Most of us didn't give a lot of thought to what the holiday was about. It was, we all know, the date when this nation declared it's independence from Britain. Have you ever given a single thought to the fate of those 56 men who signed the Declaration of Independence.? Well, listen to this.

Five signers were captured by the British as traitors and tortured before they died. Twelve had their homes ransacked and burned. Two lost their sons in the Revolutionary Army, two had sons captured.

Nine of the 56 fought and died from wounds or hardships.

These men signed and pledged "their lives, their fortunes and their sacred honor".

They were not wild eyed rabble rousers. They were serious, substantial men of means, who revolted against their OWN government!

Twenty-four were lawyers and jurists. Eleven were merchants, nine were farmers and large plantation owners, all were well educated, men of means.

Carter Braxton, a wealthy planter and trader, saw his ships destroyed by the British Navy. He had to sell his home and properties to pay his debts and died in rags.

Thomas McKeam was so hounded by the British that he was forced to move his family constantly. He served in Congress without pay. His possessions were all taken from him.

Dillery, Hall, Clymer,

Walton, Gwinnett, Heyward, Ruttledge and Middleton had their properties looted.

At Yorktown, Thomas Nelson Jr. noted that the British General Cornwallis was using his home as a headquarters. Without thought for himself he urged General Washington to open fire on the house, which was destroyed.

Nelson died bankrupt. Francis Lewis lost his home and properties. His wife was jailed, and she died a few months later.

John Hart was driven from his dving wife's bedside. Their children had to flee for their lives, his fields, his gristmill were laid waste. He died not long after.

Norris and Livingston suf-

fered similar fates. They fought and died for what they believed. They lost everything they had for an ideal the likes of which had never really been seen before.

Their's was a huge underaking that resulted not just in very little appreciation, but with tragic results that devastated their lives.

And, except for a very few of them such Hancock, who announced that he would sign very large so everyone could read his name, or Thomas Jefferson (who died deep in debt because he had borrowed money for the fledgling government to operate on) their names are largely forgotten.

These men were not perfect. They often had the proverbial "feet of clay". They went forward with a beautiful idea and turned it into reality. Yet their eality was often grim because of the actions they took. They knew there would be no medals, no awards, no fortunes to reward them.

Yet we are still reaping the benefits of their courage and boldness. And that makes them the greatest heroes of all.



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BOGATA, RED RIVER COUNTY, TEXAS

Thursday, July 6, 2000

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Council announces agenda

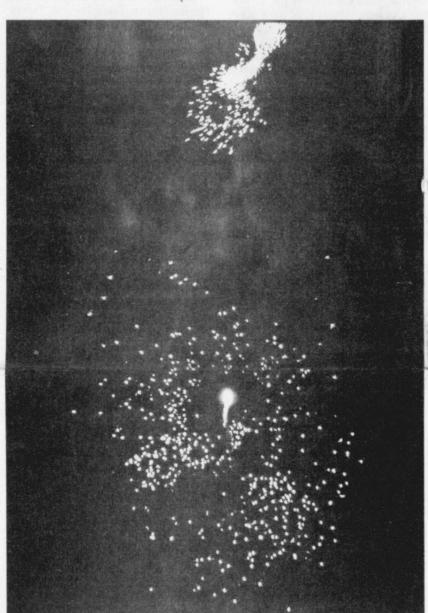
in regular session on Monday, July 10 at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall.

Items on the agenda include: hearing John R. Bolster, tax attorney for Red River Appraisal District; staff reports from water superintendent, fire marshal and police chief.

In new business, items include: discussion and possible action to pass an ordinance to publish delinquent tax homeowners' names in the paper; discussion and possibe action to pass an ordinance to approve maps of William Humphreys, John Huymphresy and W.G. Miller surveys to be recorded in the County Clerk's office; discussion and pos-

The Bogata City Council will meet sible action to pass an ordinance amending the truck ordinance #00-09, which was approved in May 2000 to be effective July 8, 2000; discussion and possible action to consider and/or approve a contract with KSA Engineers, Longview, TX for engineering on the 2000 TX Community Development Program Grant; discussion and possible action on a pay raise for Robert W. Lewis, Water/ Street Department; discussion and possible action to set municipal judge's hours of work.

In Executive Session, the Council will discuss Police Department personnel and Departmental report.



THE SKY WAS ALIGHT-over Bogata July 4th with a beautiful fireworks display sponsored by Red River Helathcare, area businesses and individuals. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Vendors needed for homecoming

Homecoming on Labor Day weekpecting a large crowd of several hun- on a first coem basis. dred people to attend. Many have arts, crafts, foods and souvenirs avail-

able for purchase. below and return it to the address 982-5816.

The City of Blossom will holl its provided. Booth spaces will be 10 by 10". Eight spaces are available end at the City Park. They are ex- with electricity and will be assigned

Mail your application and deposit expressed a desire to have a variety of to Ann Eddins, chairperson at Box 274, Blossom, TX. 75416, 903-982-6261 If you wish to participate in this eddins@lamarelectric.com or Mary event, please fill out the application Crouch, vendor chairperson at 903-

Application for Vendor Booth Blossom Homecoming, Saturday, September 2, 2000 Name.. Address... Phone #...Type of product...... Please check one: 10'x10' without electricity......\$20..... 10'x10' with electricity......\$40..... A non-refundable deposit of \$10 will be required for each booth and will be applied to the total amount of rent due on the day of the event.

Health alert set for August 9 in Clarksville

There will be a Health Alert free to all adult citizens of Red River County on Wednesday, August 9, 2000 from 9 a.m. til noon and from

There will be free cholesterol screening, free blood presure check, free glucose testing, free diabetes risk test, free vision screening, free hearting test and free information. The is presented by Lennox Health Resource Center, 114 North Walnut, in Clarksville. . This is available to all adults in the county regardless of age, sex or income.

More information can be obtained by calling 428-8500.

RHS gym open for Lady Rebels

The Rivercrest High School gym will be open each Monday and Wednesday night from 8:00 p.m to 10:00 p.m. for the Lady Rebels.

Girls entering 7th grade through the 12th grade are encouraged to attend and get a jump on working out for next year's basketball season. For more information contact Coach Debbie Williams in Bogata or Coach Tammie Case in Talco.

> Editor's Quotes Preseverence is failing nineteen times and succeeding the twentieth.



CRAFTS-were enjoyed by children attending the Bogata First Baptist Church Vacation Bible School held Monday through Thursday this week. The theme for this year's program was Ocean Odyssey-Exploring the Depths of God's Faithfulness. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

People 'n Things

Third Tuesday of each month Bogata Lions Club sponsors Bingo

at Red River Healthcare Center. Lions Club members should volunteer to help when they can.

First Mondays NAMI (National Alliance for the Mentally III) Consumers meeting will be held on the first Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church located at 4th and Madison in Mt. Pleasant, Tx. All interested persons are invited to attend.

Monday and Wednesday Rivercrest High School gym will be open for the Lady Rebels entering 7th grade through 12th grade every Monday and Wednesday evening from 8:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

July 6 The Red River Valley Dixie Belles (girls 13-14 and 15) All Star team will begin play in their District tournament at Mt. Pleasant on Thursday, July 6 at 9:30 p.m. in Mt. Pleasant's Heritage Park. Come out and support the Red River girls!

July 30-August 2 Plan to attend Revival services at the Talco Calvary Baptist Church July 30 through August 2. Evangelist, Roy Edmonds will be the guest speaker.

Notice

Alcoholics Anonymous beginning in July will meet on every Wednesday only at 8 p.m. in the St. Joseph's Catholic Church Rec. Room in Clarksville. Everyone is Welcome.

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INFORMATION CAN ALSO BE FOUND ON THE INTERNET AT:

Red River County Sheriff's Report June 18-24

June 18: Report of disturbance in English; male arrested on offense of violation of protective order and assault, family violence; burglary in Avery; assault in Bogata; theft of services in Detroit; welfare concern in Annona.

June 19: Inmate released with credit for time served; inmate released after paying fine; harassment on FM412; male arrested on burglary, criminal mischief, Loneoke, AR warrant; report of harassment in Detroit; inmate released to Lamar County on their warrant, motion to revoke, unauthorized use of motor vehicle.

June 20: Inmate released with credit for time served; report of disturbance in Detroit; activated alarm off FM37 north; female arrested on violation of probation forgery warrant and transported to County Jail; reckless driving on Hwy. 271; report of prowler in Bogata.

June 21: Welfare concern in Avery; suspicious person in Detroit; assault in Rosalie; inmate transported to TDCJ; report of vehicle accident in Avery: report of suspicious person on FM 2120; report of family disturbance; female arrested on offense of driving while intoxicated; male arrested on offense of assault/family violence; female arrested on offense of theft of services; report of criminal

http://www.red-river.net/restoration.htm

June 22: Activated alarm in Detroit; suspicious circumstances on FM410 south; animal complaint in Avery; reckless driver in Bogata.

June 23: Emergency message delivered in Bogata area; animal complaint on Hwy. 271; Bowie County inmates released to Bowie County; burglary on county road 2124; report of theft off FM195; welfare concern on FM909; female arrested on warrant, driving while intoxicated, third offense, endangering a child, failure to appear, endangering a child, failure to appear, bailjumping, driving while intoxicated, theft offense, fail to appear; terroristic threat in Bogata area; inmate transported from TDCJ to Red River County; theft on CR2137; report of assault on County Road 3110.

June 24: Report of disturbance; Report of minor accident on FM1159; male arrested on DPS warrants; male arrested on offense of displaying fictitious license plate; report of assault; inmate released with credit for time served

Red River County Jail currently holds 61 inmates.

Grant awarded for restoration

Red River County was awarded a grant of over \$3.4 million for restoration of the county courthouse.

The county must raise \$619,000 in matching funds. The pledges of support of over \$520,000 are needed

Please send your tax deductible donation to the Red River County Historical Society, P.O. Box 1261, Clarksville, Texas 75426. Designate for Courthosue Restoration.

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EDITOR'S NOTE: Havinggrown

up in a small town, I couldn't help

but laugh at these "You might be

from a small town if" statements

from the internet. If the shoe fits,

we have to wear it. It was really

rather embarrassing to realize just

how MANY of these I have done

either in my youth or still may be

You might be from a small town if:

you can name everyone you gradu-

ated with. (I can do that, all sixteen

You ever went to parties at a pas-

You used to drag "Main". (more

times than I can possibly count. And

I probably racked up 100,000 miles

in Paris circling the Sonic Drive In)

parents knew within the hour.

You said the "f" word and your

You schedule parties around the

shifts of different police officers,

since you knew which ones would

bust you and which ones wouldn't.

(hmmm. WHAT police officers?)

You ever went cow-tipping or

School was canceled for state

You could never buy cigarettes

sporting events. (Like I said, if the

because all the store clerks knew

how old you were and if you were

old enough they would tell on you to

enough and brave enough to buy

cigarettes you had to drive the back

roads to smoke them. (same thing

When you did find someone old

ture, barn or in the middle of a dirt

You know what 4-H is.

road. (I must confess...yes)

doing! ENJOY.

of us!).

You might live in a small town

brings smiles to those who know



By Liz Irwin

http://tpp.1starnet.com/



What have you always wanted to know about sauerkraut. . .but were afraid to ask? Nothing you say! Well I'm going to tell you anyway.

Every so often we get the urge for sauerkraut and weiners around here... well I say us. . . just Cindy, Nancy and Lare the only ones that will eat it. We love it and no body else will eat it with us. . . except Lacy (Thomas's cocker spaniel). Nanalee threatens us within an inch of our lives when we feed it to her. It seems that she is not too pleasant to be around the next day!

Anyway, Thomas is responsible for this week's column. . . he came up with a recipe for a Chocolate Sauerkraut Cake. . . so I though sauerkraut, what do we actually know about sauerkraut? What do we actually want to know about sauerkraut? Don't answer that! Anyway here are some tidbits of information.

Sauerkraut is sometimes viewed as an underdog in the kitchen and seems to get a bad rep for being grassy and sour.

As well as being a great side dish, sauerkraut is a great way to season a lot of foods from adding some to your Thanksgiving dressing to a a chocolate cake. People will never know what you put in the recipe to make it taste so good! Use some of the recipes included this week and you may change your mind about the "ugly duckling" food.

Sauerkraut is an age-old food and did not originate in Germany, as is commonly believed. It dates back to the building of the Great Wall of

Chocolate Sauerkraut Cake

2/3 cups butter or regular margarine

Rinse sauerkraut and drain thoroughly,

hop coarsely and set aside. Sift to-

gether flour, cocoa, baking powder, bak-

ng soda and salt; set aside. Cream

ogether butter and sugar in a bowl until

light and fluffy, using a electric mixer

set on medium speed. Add eggs, one at

a time, beating well after each addition.

Beat in vanilla. Add dry ingredients

alternately with water to creamed mix-

ture, beating well after each addition.

Stir in sauerkraut. Spread batter in greased 13x9x2 pan. Bake in preheated

oven at 350 degrees or until cake tests

done. Cool in pan on rack. Frost with

Creamy Chocolate Frosting

Melt chocolate in custard cup in hot

water. Cool slightly. Combine choco-

late, cream cheese, milk, confectioner's

sugar, salt and vanilla in a bowl. Beat

with electric mixer at high speed until

Choucroute Garni

Cut bacon into cubes and saute in a

heavy saucepan. When lightly crisp, add onions and saute until tender. Add

sauerkraut, wine, juniper berries, bay leaf and apple. Combine all ingredients

well, cover and bring to a boil and sim-mer slowly for 1-1/2 hours. Add the

meats and cover and continue to simmer

Sauerkraut Dish 1/2 pound Colby cheese -cubed

for another twenty minutes.

2 pound Swiss cheese-cubed

ounce semisweet chocolate

2-1/4 cups flour

1/4 teaspoon salt

I-I/2 cups sugar

teaspoon vanilla

2/3 cup sauerkraut

Creamy Frosting.

tablespoon milk

3 ounces cream cheese

smooth and creamy,

4 slices bacon

chopped onion

2 cans sauerkraut

juniper berries

bay leaf

cups white wine

apple-peel core chop

3 Kassler rippchen

pairs bratwurst

kolbase ring

pairs frankfurters

pairs knackwurst

cup confectioner's sugar /2 teaspoon vanilla

1/8 teaspoon salt

teaspoon baking soda

1/2 cup sugar

large eggs

cup water

teaspoon baking powder

July 6, 2000

Sauerkraut Recipes

3/4 cup mayonnaise

1/2 cup vinegar

l cup chopped celery

onion-chopped

3/4 to I cup sugar

frigerator overnight.

750 gram sauerkraut

1-1/2 kilos of potatoes

smoked sausage

nutmeg

green pepper-chopped

I large jar sauerkraut-drained

I cup finely chopped green pepper

250 grams very thin sliced bacon

50 grams butter or margarine

I cup finely chopped celery

I cup finely chopped onion

1/2 cup oil

1/2 cup sugar

I quart sauerkraut-drined

l pound cooked sausage-sliced

crock pot slow for three hours.

Combine all ingredients and stir in

Sauerkraut Salad

Combine all ingredients. Marinate

overnight in refrigerator and before serv

Sweet and Tangy Sauerkraut Relish

Drain and chop sauerkraut; place i

bowl and add vegetables and lightly mix.

Sprinkle sugar over top and place in re-

German Sauerkraut

Preheat oven to 200 degrees centime

ters. Boil sauerkraut in water for .0 min-

utes. Also boil potatoes and mash them

using the butter and spices along with

egg. Butter a baking dish and spread half

of the sauerkraut on the bottom. Add a

layer of bacon and I layer of potatoes.

Slice sausage and place half on top. Re-

peat this. Put some butter on top of

sausage. Breadcrumbs may also be added

on top. Place in oven covered for the firs

15 minutes; uncover and bake for 15

more minutes. for 30 minutes.

I large can sauerkraut-rinse and drain

China, when laborers ate it to combat deficiency diseases resulting from a diet consisting of almost altogether

Originally the Tartars introduced the acid cabbage from the Orient into eastern Europe and from there kraut went to Germany, Alsace-Lorraine and France.

Crisp kraut is a delightful accompaniment to spareribs, sausages, wieners, ham or pork. Salt draws out the cabbage juice, which contains sugar. This bacteria ferments and lactic acids form, produces that faint tangy flavor and distinctive texture that stimulates the appetite and makes

kraut so well liked the world around. Enjoy these recipes and see if they don't change your mind! See you in the kitchen!

Chocolate Sauerkraut Cake-basic cake recipe, but uses sauerkraut. This reminds you of coconut, so the taste buds are fooled! Try it ... I think you will like it!

Choucroute Garnia traditional dish using apples and various types of old-work meats.

Sauerkraut Casserole-cheese added to sauerkraut and smoked sausage. Sounds good!

Sauerkraut Salad-always need another salad recipe!

Sweet and Tangy Sauerkraut Relish-this is great to serve with meats or use on a Reuben sandwich or just serve as a salad

German Sauerkraut-casserole using potatoes, bacon and a slight hint of nutmeg!

You have ever gone home for homecoming. It was cool to date someone in a

went for booze).

your parents anyhow

snipe hunting.

shoe fits,)

neighboring town (had the status of dating a European) You had senior skip day. (Don't

they still have that?) The whole school went to the same party after graduation.

You don't give directions by street





*Meeting time is 2nd and 4th Monday night at 7:00 p.m.

News

*Post is open Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 3:00 p.m. until 12:00 midnight. and Saturday from 12:00 noon until 1:00 a.m. *Thursday at 7:00 p.m. is 42 play-

ing time and Pool and shuffleboard are open all the time. * The VFW will be starting a pool

tournament on Tuesday night at 7:00 pm. Everyone is invited to come out for competition and fellowship.

names or house numbers. You say things like "turn by the Nelson's house, go two blocks past the Anderson's and its four houses left of the track field.

The town next to you is considered 'trash" or "snooty" but is actually just like your town.

Getting paid minimum wage is considered a raise.

You refer to anyone with a house newer than 1980 as the "rich people". You bragged to your friend because you got pipes on your truck for your birthday.

Your friends ever communicated with CB radios.

You see at least one friend a week driving a tractor.

Directions are given using "the" stop light as a reference. (stop light, how about just a blinking light).

Weekend excitement involves a trip to a Wal-Mart. (your point is?). You decide to walk somewhere for exercise and 5 people pull over and

ask if you need a ride. You can charge at all the local stores. Your teachers called you by your older siblings names.

Your teachers remember when they taught your parents. The closest McDonald's is at least

25 miles away

The closest mall is further.

It is normal to see an old man riding through town on a riding lawnmower. You get pulled over and the whole town drives by at least twice. Everyone else hears about it on their scan-

Almost everyone in your school also has a cousin in your school.

Your local newspaper is a weekly. (And what's wrong with THAT?) You ever thought it was cool to go

to the cemetery at night and walk around. There was always something there that was haunted. Your summer swimming was often

done in a pond or a gravel pit. And my final comment on these

is....yes, and that's just the way I like it.

Meeting set for Paris TxDot A meeting is scheduled for July 13, 2000 in the Paris District-Training Room at 1365 N. Main in Paris, Texas at 10:00 a.m. to continue discussion on the district' public trans-

portation program. Committee memebers will develop a method of reviewing and selecting eligible applicants for funding nder under the 5310 program (Elderly & Disabled). Providers are asked to assess the areas in which they service to determine possible gaps in transportation

service, equipment usage and possible equipment needs for their area. The information will be used to develop a three year plan for the Paris District The community is invited to attend the meeting and or send comments or suggestions to: Audrey L. Andrews, Public Transportation Coordinator, Paris District, 1365 N. Main, Paris, TX 75460.

For more information please contact Audrey L. Andrews at 903-737-

Area producers to have Tri-County Beef Cattle Tour

Area producers are invited to attend the 2000 Tri-County Beef Cattle Tour set for Tuesday, July 11. The activity is sponsored annually by the Lamar, Red River and Delta County Offices of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

This year's tour will be somewhat different than in recent years. Plans have been made to visit some local ranches for discussion of productions methods producers have implemented. The primary focus of the tour will be on forage production and utilization and cow-calf production and profit-

Plans have been made to visit four ranches in the Blossom and Detroit area. Those include the Hicks Ranch, Ballard Ranch, Circle C Ranch and

Andrews Ranch. Specific topics of discussion during the tour include pasture management, weed control, utilization of pastures, production and use of haylage, cow-calf production considerations for efficiency and profitability and other very practical top-

The tour will gather on Tuesday morning, 8:00 a.m. at the Blossom Texaco on the east side of Blossom. The bus will depart at 8:30 a.m. and return by 4:30 p.m. Registration fee is \$20 per person the day of the tour. To assist in planning for lunch, participants are asked to RSVP by Friday, July 7. Contact the Lamar County Extension Office at 737-2443, the Red River County Extension Office at 427-3867, or the Delta County Extension Office at 395-4417 to sign

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Jane Garrison Smith dies June 29

Jane Garrison Smith, age 62 of Woodland died Thursday, June 29 at her residence.

Services were held Saturday, July 1 at 2:00 p.m. in Lindeman Chapel of Clarksville Funeral Home with the Rev. Willie Johnson officiating. Burial followed in Woodland Cemetery under the direction of Clarksville Funeral Home.

Mrs. Smith was born July 9, 1937 in Kiomatia, Red River County, a daughter of Rufus and Gladys Brock

She was a member of the Woodland United Methodist Church and was a housewife. On September 15, 1956, she mar-

ried James F. Smith in McKinney. She was preceded in death by a brother, Travis "Buddy" Garrison.

Surviving are her husband; a son, James Duane "Buck" Smith and wife Terri of Detroit; daughters, Linda Smith Daniels and husband John of Houston, Janie Smith Holmes and Louis Loftice of Honey Grove; two aunts: one uncle; and several friends and neighbors; ten sisters-in-law and nine brothers-in-law; grandchildren, James Phillip Smith, Justin Allison, Heather Smith, Kristi Smith, Lee Holmes, Shannon Crow, Bobby Loftice, Amy Loftice, Lynette Holmes; great-grandchildren, McKinna Smith, Taylor Crow and Bailey Crow.

Bearers were Horace Mitchell, Harlan Brown, Gary Hargan, James Phillip Smith, Kelvin Edwards, Justin Allison. Honorary bearers were Pat West, Lavern Edwards, Donna Farris, Pat Doyle, Betty Smith and Kim Fasken.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Woodland United Methodist Church, Woodland Cemetery or the Lisa Brown Scholarship at Detroit High School.

Mrs. Lorette Pynes dies July 2

Mrs. Lorette Pynes, age 87, of Cunningham, passed away Sunday, July 2 in the Paris Nursing Home.

Mrs. Pynes was born September 16, 1912 in Cunningham, a daughter of Charlie and Cassie Chambers Bledsoe. She was a homemaker and a member of the Cunningham Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Clifford Pynes in 1984; two brothers, Hollis and Jimmy Ray Bledsoe; and by a grandson, Dennis Neal Pynes.

Surviving are her children, Dorothy Dean Ogden of Longview, Charles "Buddy" Pynes of Paris and Linda Sue Pynes of Paris; seven grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; sisters, Frances Sieminski of Grand Prairie, Yvonne Adair of Florida and Betty Hershour of Ben Wheeler; sisters-in-law, Sylvia Bledsoe of Ben Wheeler and Mutt Bledsoe of Linden.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Monday in the Cunningham Baptist Church with Rev. C.G. Renfro officiating. Burial was in Restland Cemetery with Clifton Bazhaw, James Bazhaw, Trey Gifford, Brandon Moore, Darwin Pynes and Bryan Hawkes serving as pallbearers. Services were under the direction of Fry-Gibbs Funeral Home.

Mrs. Susie Bivins dies July 2

Mrs. Susie Marie Belcher Bivins. age 85 of Cuthand, died Sunday, July 2, 2000 in East Texas Medical Cen-

ter in Clarksville. Funeral services were held at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 4 in the Cuthand Methodist Church with the Reverends Kenny Dickson and Don Shovan officiating. Burialwas made in Cuthand Cemetery. Wood Funeral Homes had charge of the arrange-

Mrs. Bivins was born on Octob 18, 1914 in Red River County, Texas the daughter of John Wesley and Sallie Blalock Belcher. She married William Ray (Bill) Bivins on November 14, 1931. He preceded her in death on January 18, 1975. She was also preceded in death by her parents: a precious and loved daughter-in-law, Bonnie Lanora Smith Bivins; two great-great-special grandsons, Tate Adam Stewart and William Hayden (Little Willie) Holt; four brothers, Colonel Alford Belcher, Clarence Clint (Red) Belcher, John Herman Belcher and Robert Frelon (Bud) Belcher. Mrs. Bivins was a farmer. rancher, and homemaker her entire

She is survived by a son, Donald Ray (Pop) Bivins and his wife Pauline of Bogata; four daughters Nina Jo Holt and her husband, Robert of Bogata, Jimmie Fay Stewart and her husband, Noil Lee of Lewisville, Billie Sue McConnell and her husband, Clayton of Midland, and Johnnie Loyce Jones and her husband, Leo of Clarksville; 17 grandchildren; 30 great-grandchildren; 4 great-great-grandchildren; two sisters, Etta Viola Coggins and her husband, Johnny of Talco, Sallie Thomas Belcher Thomas of Gunter, Texas; numerous nieces, nephews, and a host of loving friends.

Card of Thanks

Perhaps you sent food or flowers, or just stood quietly by and silently said a prayer or held us while we cried. Whatever your act of kindness, whether in word, prayer or deed, you made our heavy hearts lighter in our time of need.

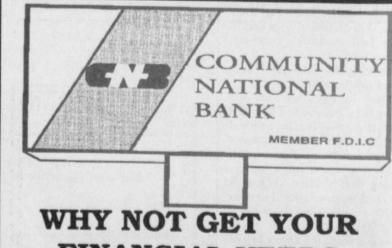
Children: Wayne, Clint & Laura Watson Mother: Velma Hill, brothers and sisters of Ralph Watson



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TOP RUNNING TURTLE-Wendy Stewart shows her winning entry to the Turtle Race held at the Bogata Frontier Day Wendy assured hers was a winner before the race and was quite right since it did take the first place prize. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

ckett family reunion held June 25

he Puckett family reunion was of Balch Springs, Ricky and Karla held June 25, 2000 at the Community

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Center in Bogata. These descendents of Lee Puckett and Deb Puckett attended: Gaston and Roberta Puckett, Jeff and Betty Puckett, Esther Tillman, Jimmy and Nancy Puckett all of Bogata; George and Jan Puckett, Mark and Sonia Harper and Margie Callaway all of Mesquite; Randy and Treska Puckett of Rockwall, Morris Lee Weddle of Winnsboro, Royce and Vicki Weddle of Mt. Vernon, Debbie Dunham of Commerce, Susan Gordan, Johnny and Coley of Midlothian, Jimmy and Jennifer Whitehead of Frisco, Adam Puckett, Jerrel and Nancy Puckett of Norman, OK., Bill and Kathy Leslie in 2002

Prince, Leslie and Haley of Sanger, Betty Puckett of Denton, Mark and Janet Puckett of Corinth, Jerry and Rhonda Burns and Blaze of Deport, Johnny and Leigh Puckett of Paris, Steve and Debbie Sherrell, Steven Sherrell, Bradley Shaver, Kendra Lewis, Brandon Sherrell and Lisa of Forney. Jerrel and Nancy Puckett were elected to serve as president and secretary/treasurer for the next re-

Everyone enjoyed a day of reminiscing, taking pictures, getting reacquainted and lots of good food. The next reunion is planned at the same place the fourth Sunday in June



The first tennis balls were stuffed with human hair.

Bogata Locals

Happy July Birthday to; Chad White, Sherrie Stringfellow Wyckoff, Maggie Dee Richardson and Linda Stringfellow Steyker.

Carl H. Burns got a surprise visit for Father's Day from his daughter, Diana Huddleston and granddaughter, Heather of Denton. He also received cards from his grandson and wife, Mike and Tina Huddleston and great grandson, Hunter of Cornith. Hunter will be 1 year old on July 8. He also received a call from daughter, Denise Burns of Austin, Tx.

Wednesday visitors of Johnny and Willie Mae Topping were Linda and Melissa Williams, Chance Williams, and Melissa's friend, from Prattville, Alabama.

Visitng the Itoppings on Thursday were Kay and Kerri Selman from

The Topping's Friday visitors were John and Misty Martin and Caleb Jonathon from Lufkin and Carmie and Annjanette Acevedis.

Donald and Judy Screws met Chris, Christopher and Jarred Guerra at Imperial China for dinner Saturday. Tana Screws and Linda Gray

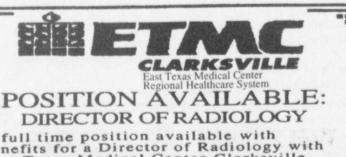
shopped and had lunch in Longview Friday. Donald and Judy and Tana had

lunch at Poncho's and shopped at the mall in Texarkana Thursday.

Mike and Kara visited with the Donald Screws one day last week. Mike, Kara, Bren and Hali Screws visited with Donald, Judy and Tana Screws on Monday.

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Sonny Roberts of Sherman visited his aunt, Betty Rodgers Friday.

Monte and Shelley Rodgers of Tigertown and Betty Rodgers had dinner Sunday evening with Melissa and Gilbert Arriaga of Deport.

Marla and Preston Crump had lunch with his mother, Mr. and Mrs. Lamb in Deport Monday. Happy birthday Preston.

Connie Phosay helped with the Detroit Homecoming Saturday. HLer children participated in the parade.

Clovis and Katy VanDeaver were in Hempstead, Texas over the weekend to attend a school reunion. They wre accompanied by their daughter, Larann Denison of Rosalie, Linda Salter of Brady and Lana Van Deaver of Crockett.

MLana VanDeaver visited recently with her parents, Clovis and Katy VanDeaver. They all attended the VanDeaver reunion in the home of Gordeon and Helen VanDeaver of Pattonville.

Duane and Bobbie King of Paris had lunch with Jimmie King Wednes-

Dave adn Kay German of Whitney and Mary Salters and girls Emily and Alisea of Denver Colorado spent Thursday night and Friday with Jimmie King.

Dick King came Saturday and took Jimmie King shopping and had lunch at the Pizza Hut in Clarksville.

Mr. and Mrs. Kyle King of Reno visited Jimmie King Sunday afternoon.



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Everyone is invited to attend the regular meeting of the Red River County Genealogical Society on Monday, July 10 at 7:30 in the Red River County Library.

This month's program will be a show and tell session and everyone who attends is encouraged to bring an item of interest that is connected to their family history.

Also planned for the meeting is the newest Red River County research tool, Red River County death and burial records, published by Lawrence and Sue Dale of Blossom. The books will be available for purchase at that time, if production goes as schedculed the books cover all known Red River County cemetery and death records and contains over 37,000 entries.

All interested persons are encouraged to come and enjoy the program.

Homecoming &

Cemerery meeting slated

The East Post Oak homecoming and cemetery meeting will be held Sunday, July 9 at the East Post Oak Cemetery, six miles northeast of Blossom on FM1502. A covered dish lunch will be served at noon and a cemetery business meeting will follow in the afternoon. All persons having an interest in the cemetery are encouraged to attend.

On Saturday, July 6, all those whose families went to school or lived at Post Oak are encouraged to meet at the Post Oak Community Center for a time of fellowship. The meeting will begin about 6:30 p.m. For information, call Johnie Lee at 903-982-

Red River Ponytails take 2nd in District play

The Red River Valley Dixie All Star Ponytail (girls ages 11 & 12) team traveled to Sulphur Springs Thursday, June 29 to begin competition in the District tournament. In their first game of the tourney they met Winnsboro who jumped out to a 3-0 lead in the first inning. Cortney Merchant was on the mound for Red

In the 2nd inning Merchant struck out 2 batters and a throw down from catcher, Lauren Beers to short stop Miranda Mauldin got the 3rd out. At bat Red River left Sarah Hare on base and was unable to score.

Sarah Hare went to the mound for Red River in the top of the 3rd. Again Winnsboro was able to score I run bringing the score to 4-0. At bat Red River had Whitney Savage and Brittany Williams get I base hits and Lauren Mauldin took a walk to load the bases. D'Shana Butler came up and knocked a 2 base hit to score Savage and Williams. With Beers, Butler and Leslie Richeson on base the third out came leaving the score 4-2 Winnsboro.

In the 4th it was 3 up and 3 down for Winnsboro while Red River saw Cortney Merchant take a walk, Miranda Mauldin get a 1 base hit and Brittany Williams get a 1 base to load it up. All were left on base.

Lauren Beers went to the mound for Red River in the 5th. Winnsboro was able to score 2 times to take a 6-2 lead. And then things changed. Beers and Jasmine Coulter took a walk and Leslie Riches nailed the ball to right field to score both with a 3 base hit. Sarah Hare took a walk and Danbri Mitchell was put on base after being hit by the pitcher. Cortney Merchant got a 1 base hit to score Richeson. Whitney Savage took a walk and Miranda Mauldin and Lauren Beers both made first after being hit by the pitcher. Jasmine Coulter was also hit and sent to base and Richeson came up again to line drive the ball for a 2 base hit and scores. Sarah Hare took the walk and Danbri Mitchell got a 1 base hit scoring 2 runners. The third out came after Red River had scored 10 runs to take a 12-6 lead.

In the top of the 6th and final inning and Beers on the mound, the first out was a fly to Miranda Mauldin at short stop, the second a fly to Whitney Savage at first base and the third out was gained on a throw down from catcher, Danbri Mitchell to Whitney Savage at first. Ball game! Red River-12 Winnsboro-6. Cortney Merchant stuck out 3 batters in the game and Sarah Hare struck out 1.

On Friday night the Red River team returned to meet Hopkins County Americans. Red River lost the toss and was the visiting team and up to bat first. The first two batters were thrown out at first and D'Shana Butler came up to hit the ball to the fence in right field but was called out at home plate on what fans felt was a bad call? Lauren Beers took the pitching mound and struck out 2 batters and Brittany Williams caught the fly in center field for the third. Score 0-0

In the second it was 3 up and 3 down for Red River. All 3 batters were thrown out 6-3 (short stop to first). Hopkins County saw Red River's fielding ability as they sent 2 batters in on 6-3 plays from Miranda Mauldin to Whitney Savage and the third out came when a runner was called out for leaving the base to soon.

At bat in the third Tiffany Giles hit a long 1 base to center and Sarah Hare took the walk but both were left on base. Hopkins County scored on a Red River error and the inning ended 1-0 Hopkins County.

The 4th inning Red River still could not score but the Hopkins County team were able to score 1 and load the bases. A long fly to center would have cleared the bases except of Cas-

The Red River Valley Dixie All sandra Norman who made a beautiful running catch for the 3rd out. Score am traveled to Sulphur Springs 2-0 Hopkins County.

In the top of the 5th and trailing Red River went to work. Sarah Hare got a 1 base, Cortney Merchant got on from a bunt, D'Shana Butler got a 1 base to load it up and Miranda Mauldin slammed a 2 base hit to score Hare, Merchant and Butler. Score 3-2 Red River! Cortney Merchant went to the mound for Red River but again Hopkins County was able to score to tie the game 3-3.

In the 6th and final inning and final at bat Red River had Brittany Williams get a 1 base, Danbri Mitchell a 2 base and Sarah Hare take a walk. Williams was put out at 3rd leaving Mitchell and Hare on base. Cortney Merchant came up to bat and drove a l base hit out to score Mitchell before the 3rd out. Score 4-3 Red River! With Hopkins County at bat for the final time and the score 4-3 and error put the first batter on, the next grounded out to Whitney Savage at first base and then a long fly to left made the Red River fans hold their breath. Sarah Hare came across the field to make a show stopping catch and then fired the ball to Brittany Williams at 3rd who made the tag stopping the tie run. Final 4-3 Red River! Lauren Beers struck out 2 batters in the game and Sarah Hare struck

On Saturday the Red River team faced Mt. Pleasant. Again they lost the toss and were the visiting team. Cortney Merchant was on the mound for Red River. After 1 inning the score was 1-0 Mt. Pleasant.

Red River held Mt. Pleasant in the 2nd but were unable to score. In the 3rd Sarah Hare went to the mound for Red River. Again Mt. Pleasant was able to score. 2-0 Mt. Pleasant.

The 4th inning saw Mt. Pleasant take a 5-0 lead. Red River struggled in the field and at the plate. The 5th inning saw 2 more scores by Mt. Pleasant and none from Red River. Lauren Beers had went to the mound for Red River. Score 7-0 Mt. Pleasant.

In the final inning Sarah Hare got a 1 base hit and was scored by a 1 base hit from Whitney Savage. D'Shana Butler and Miranda Mauldin were left on base at the third out. Final 7-1 Mt. Pleasant.

On Sunday Mt. Pleasant met Hopkins County Nationals at 3:00 p.m. and took a 15-0 win bringing them back to meet Red River at 6:00 p.m. Cortney Merchant was on the mound for Red River and again Red River had lost the toss and were at bat. After 1 inning the score was 0-0. The game was a fielding battle.

In the 2nd Mt. Pleasant was able to score on a drop in hit to left field. The 3rd inning was 3 up and 3 down for Red River but Mt. Pleasant was able to get a runner on. A long fly was hit to left center. Tiffany Giles played the ball but it was hit over her. Cassandra Norman saved the run backing Giles up and catching the ball to end the inning. The 4th and 5th innings. Score 1-0 Mt. Pleasant.

In the 6th and final inning Red River had Whitney Savage make base on a hit to third. A strike out for 1 out and Miranda Mauldin laid down the bunt to make 1st and send Savage to third. Mauldin was called out on her way to second on a close call for 2 outs. D'Shana Butler drove the ball for a 1 base hit and scored Savage before the third out came on a fly. Score 1-1 tie. Mt. Pleasant came up for the final time and could have taken the win but the first batter drove the ball to the pitcher where it bounced off into the hands of Miranda Mauldin who made the throw for the out. The next two batters grounded out to D'Shana Butler on 2nd base and the game went into an extra inning. Score

In the top of the 7th Brittany Williams made base on a drive back to

the pitcher. She was forced out at 2nd on a hit from Leslie Richeson and Richeson was left on base. On the defense Mt. Pleasant hit a long fly to left field which was then over thrown at second. The Mt. Pleasant runner rounded second and headed for third but Brittany Williams at first base picked the ball up and fired it to Whitney Savage on 3rd who made the tag. 1 out and 2 to go. Miranda Mauldin made the fly catch for the 2nd out and Mauldin fielded the ball and made the throw to first for the 3rd out. Score 1-1.

In the 8th inning Red River who had played as near to a perfect game as possible came to bat. Whitney Savage started things off with a l base hit. Cortney Merchant got a l base but Savage was tagged out at 3rd. Miranda Mauldin took the walk and D'Shana Butler drove the ball to the short stop scoring Merchant. A fly out ended the top of the inning. Score 2-1 Red River. The pressure was on the Red River team and nerves were tight. The first batter reached base when the ball bounced off D'Shana Butler's glove. She redeemed herself by getting the next batter on a fly ball. The third Mt. Pleasant batter hit a long fly to left field leaving 2 runners on base and I out. A fly to Lauren Beers on the pitcher's mound got 2 outs. Beers had replaced Merchant who had pitched all her innings for the tournament. 2 outs and 2 on base, a ground ball was hit to Cortney Merchant at third. She fired the ball to Whitney Savage on first and Red River took the win! 2-1.

On Monday Mt. Pleasant and Red River met again for the championship at 7:00 p.m. Red River was the home team and Lauren Beers took the pitching mound. Mt. Pleasant was able to get on the score board while Red River could not. Score 1-0.

In the second a strike out and a fly to D'Shana Butler and Miranda Mauldin got 3 outs. But, Red River still did not score. Danbri Mitchell was left on base after a drive to the center field fence.

The third saw Mt. Pleasant leave 1 batter on base and Red River leave 2 on base. Cortney Merchant and Miranda Mauldin both had 1 base hits.

In the 4th Mt. Pleasant was able to score a run on a fly to left which was caught by Sarah Hare. The throw was too late and the runner made it in. Score 1-0. At bat Lauren Beers hit a 1 base and Cassandra Norman drove to ball to right for a 2 base. Beers was tagged out a home. With Norman on base Tiffany Giles drove the ball to the field and scored Norman. Sarah Hare took the walk to leave 2 runners on. An attempted steal brought the last out. Score 2.1 Mt. Pleasant.

out. Score 2-1 Mt. Pleasant.

The 5th inning Red River could not stop the base hits and Mt. Pleasant scored 2 more times. Score 4-1.

At bat Whitney Savage got a 1 base but was forced out at 2nd on a 1 base from Cortney Merchant. A bunt and a ground out ended the inning.

In the 6th and final a bad throw put a Mt. Pleasant runner on and a walk added 2 base runners. Fly outs to D'Shana Butler, Miranda Mauldin and Danbri Mitchell sent Red River in for their last at bat. Brittany Williams was left on base as three Red River batters struck out. Final 4-1 Mt. Pleasant.

The Red River team brought home 2nd place after a good tournament and some wonderful play. The girls from the team will surely return to the District meet next season in two divisions; 13-14-15 Belles and 11 & 12 Ponytails. Coaches for the team were Jerry Merchant, Mark Beers and Connie Giles.

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2ND IN DISTRICT-The Red River Valley Ponytail All Star team took 2nd place in the Dixie League District playoff held in Sulphur Springs. Coaches and team members were; (back row from the left) Coaches Mark Beers, Connie Giles and Jerry Merchant; (standing from the left) Brittany Williams, Danbri Mitchell, D'Shana Butler, Whitney Savage, Cassandra Norman and Tiffany Giles and (sitting from the left) Leslie Richeson, Jasmine Coulter, Sarah Hare, Lauren Beers, Cortney Merchant and Miranda Mauldin. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)







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T-BALL ALL STARS-Representing Talco and Bogata in the Invitational All Star T-Ball Tournament held at Talco Saturday, June 17, 2000 were; (front row from the left) Jamal Curtis, Aaron Smith, Matt Earley and Wesley Davidson; (middle from the left) Chad Webb, Carter Kelsey, Jacob Harville, Tyler Easley, Jonathon Kay, Shyrell Bivins and Kevondrick Savage and (back row from the left) Coaches, Kelly Harville, Brian Hodge, David Stansell and Robyn Stansell. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Cunningham homecoming successful

Over 250 people gathered at the Community Center at the old Cunningham School to visit, play games, honor F.E. and Carolyn McGahan, eat and sing.

Walker and Willie Devlin were honored as the oldest in attendance. Ryan Daniel Stephen Cooper the grandson of Jaree Archibald was honored as the youngest person at the homecoming. Joe Bailey Williams was recognized as the person who has lived in Cunningham the longest. He has lived there for 91 years. Virginia Marshal was awarded the plaque

for the person traveling the farthest. She is from California.

Descendants of S.A. Cunningham, the founder of Cunningham, traveled from Alabama to attend the reunion and learn about the history of the town their uncle established at the beginning of this century.

Frankie, Julie Logan, Layton and Caleb Norwood, Scotty, Treda and Spur Norwood, Johnny, Fran, Johnna and Jenna Patterson, Gerrie and Chance Bankhead, Stacy, Linda and

Charity Musgrove, Haley Norwood, Neva Oats and Georjeana Nutt presented a play 'Project Cunningham". The play concluded with the "Cunningham Country Singers" singing several songs to bring back memories. Members of the group are Geneva Norwood who led the group, Buddy Taylor, Bill Page, Nelta Musgrove, Jane O'Neal, James and Pat Norwood, Darold and Ida Mae Norwood, Bobby and Shelby Kennedy and Pete and L'Wanda McKnight.

by playing his musical saw. His sister, Martha Allen Shannon, joined him in singing. Others performing during the day were Stoney Musgrove, Linda Musgrove, Treda Norwood, Geneva Norwood, Gerrie Bankhead, Jenna Patterson, Johnna Patterson and Spur Norwood. Jerry, Michael and Jamie Smith played guitars and sang several songs.

Everyone enjoyed a day of visiting old friends and making new friends.



Red River Healthcare News

D.C. Thomas

Visiting residents at Red River Healthcare this past week were;

Resident, Pauline Alsobrook-Mary Ann Williams, Sue Martin, T.J, and Nessa.

Resident, Georgia Miller-Sherlie and Wayne Collins, Velma Paris, Dorothy and Odell Scruggs, Karen Forsythe and Paul Miller.

Resident, Ada Holmes-Ken and Helen Holmes, Maudie Lee and Ruth

Lee.
Resident, Gladys Tucker-Donnie,
Clifton and Ethan Tucker, Sherea
Roach, Nelda Tucker, Mildred Tucker

and Lois Wells.

Resident, Alice Craig-Inez Gill.

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Resident, Shelia Gibson-Inez Gill and Betty Gibson.

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Resident, Percy Topping-James A.
Watts, Carrine Alford, Lucille Pettit

and John Topping.
Resident, Geraldine Ogg-Sherea
Roach, Jackie Lynn Knight, Tom and
Loydene DeBerry, Billy Ogg, Gerry
Genung, Alexandria and Brandy

Brown.
Resident, Vivian Fail-Marilyn
Presley, Jimmie Fail, Ann and Lynn
Fail, Yvonne Harris, Victor Fail,
Karen Forsythe, Ginger Bruce and
Bro. Weed.

Resident, Stasha Hume-Weldon Hume.

Resident, Melvin Pointer-Daphne Pointer. and Georgie Hudson.

Resident, Dorothy Stockton-Ginger Bruce and Yvonne Harris.

Resident, Jimmie Duffie-Gwendolyn Bowen.

Resident, Eula Martin-Gwendolyn Bowen, Paula Duffie, Michael and Donny Taylor and Robbie Nell Barkley.

Resident, Mary Duke-Laverne Griffin, John and Charlene Duke.

Resident, Lucy Jenkins-James Jenkins.

Resident, Shepherd Mauldin-Gayle Snow.

Resident, Juanita Fisher-Alexandia and Brandy Brown.

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Brock, Kim and Kate Matthews,
Carol Young, Erica McDonald, J.W.

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Resident, Oma McKinney-Virgie Rushing.

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Resident, George Hancock-Inez Gill, Betty and Buck Ramsey.

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OF FUEL COSTS

TEXAS-NEW MEXICO POWER COMPANY ("TNMP") hereby publishes notice that it filed on June 30, 2000, with the Public Utility Commission of Texas ("Commission") an APPLICATION FOR THE RECONCILIATION OF FUEL COSTS ("Application") pursuant to the provisions of 36.103 of the Texas Utilities Code and P.U.C. SUBST. R. 25.235(b)(1)(B). In its Application, TNMP seeks to reconcile its Texas jurisdictional under-recovery fuel costs and fuel revenues of approximately \$21,144,132 during the period of January 1, 1997 through December 31, 1999 ("reconciliation period"). The purpose of this fuel reconciliation proceeding is for the Commission to review TNMP's eligible fuel costs incurred during the reconciliation period to determine whether they were reasonable and necessary to serve TNMP's customers. Under the Texas Utilities Code and Commission rules, TNMP may not earn a profit on these expenses and may only pass them through to its customers, pending reconciliation of such costs in a fuel reconciliation proceeding.

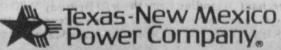
TNMP's Application affects only the recovery of the fuel portion of the rates charged by TNMP for electricity in Texas and has no effect on TNMP's non-fuel base rates. All of TNMP's Texas retail customers to which fixed fuel factors apply are affected by

NMP's Application.

During the reconciliation period, TNMP collected fuel revenues through its approved fixed fuel factors. These fixed fuel factors under-recovered eligible fuel expense during the reconciliation period in the total amount of approximately \$21,144,132, including interest. TNMP is requesting that the Commission find it has under-recovered its eligible fuel expense by this amount for the reconciliation period. TNMP recently proposed to change this fixed fuel factor in PUC Docket No. 22636. In Docket No. 22636, TNMP also requested that it be permitted to surcharge its retail customers to recoup under-recovered costs and interest, which include costs and interest that TNMP incurred during the reconciliation period. In this Application, TNMP is not requesting to make any change to the surcharge amount proposed in Docket No. 22636.

Persons with questions or who want more information on this Application may contact TNMP at: 4100 International Plaza, Suite 800, Fort Worth, TX 76109, or call TNMP's toll-free telephone number at 1-800-435-2822 during normal business hours. A complete copy of this Application is available for inspection at the address

It is expected that the Commission will establish a docket to consider TNMP's Application. Persons who wish to formally participate in this proceeding, or who wish to express their comments concerning this Application should contact the Public Utility Commission of Texas, Office of Customer Protection, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326, or call 512-936-7120 or toll-free at 888-78. 247. Hearing and speech impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may call 512-936-7136 or use Relay Texas (toll-free) at 1-800-735-2989.



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Red River County Sheriff's Report June 25-July 1

June 25: Male arrested on charge of evading arrest; inmate released to Fannin County for transport to court; possible burglary in Annona; activated alarm in Detroit; report of assault/burglary; report of gas drive off in Annona; domestic disturbance in Annona; dog bite victim at ETMC; possible overdose north of Detroit;

report of assault in Detroit.

June 26: Report of theft; inmate transported to county jail on charge of evading arrest or detention; inmate released after being reinstated on probation in District Court; suspicious activity on FM909; female arrested on warrants for assault, no drivers license no safety belt; abandoned vehicle on FM1159; welfare concern on CR4450; male arrested on charge of minor in possessin of alcohol; suspicious vehicle on FM911 south; theft in Detroit; loose horses on FM114 and FM1158; activated alarm in

June 27: Cattle complaint on Hwy. 82 east of Clarksville; request of assistance from other agency; inquest in Bogata; 911 hang up call on Hwy. 37 south; report of alarm activated at courthouse; report of sexual assault; report of reckless driver on Hwy. 82 west; prowler on Hwy. 37 north; report of juvenile disturbance.

June 28: Animal complaint on FM910; Bowie County picked up three inmates and transported them back to Bowie County; Bowie County transported three inmates to Red River County for housing; male arrested on terroristic threat warrant and transported to county jail.

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June 29: Suspicious vehicle in Bogata; inmate transported to S.A.F.P.; male arrested on five counts of aggravated assault, five counts of aggravated robbery and one count of burglary of habitation; male arrested on five counts of aggravated assault, five counts of aggravated assault, five counts of aggravated robbery and one count of burglary of habitation; report of disturbance in Avery; male arrested on view on offense of possession of marijuana and transported to county jail.

June 30: Activated alarm in Bogata; suspicious circumstances in Detroit; Bowie County picked up four inmates and transported two for housing; property damage on FM2118; activated alarm in Avery; activated alarm in Detroit; male arrested on warrants for public intoxication, assault, no drivers license and driving while intoxicated; male arrested on offense of driving while intoxicated and speeding; male arrested on offense of driving while intoxicated.

July 1: Theft in Annona; male arrested on view on offense of driving while intoxicated and transported to county jail; male arrested on view on offense of possession of marijuana under two ounces, possession of or delivery of drug paraphernalia, possession of dangerous drugs; minor accident on 271 south of Bogata; male arrested on Lamar County warrant for theft by check; male arrested for criminal trespass and transported to county jail; activated alarm in Bogata.

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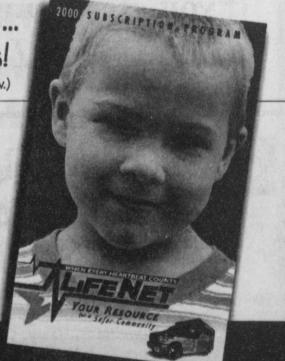
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The decision appears to prohibit school-sponsored student-led prayer at all extracurricular activities. The Court emphasized, however, that the decison does not prohibit public school students from voluntarily praying at any time before, during, or after the school day, so long as the school does not sponsor the prayer.

Futhermore, the decision does not address moments of silence. TASB Legal Services believes that school districts are free to begin football games with a moment of silence to reflect upon issues such as student safety and good sportsmanship, so long as the adoption of the moment of silence is not for th purpose of promoting religion.



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Bids will be opened in the superintendent's office at 9:00 a.m., Monday, July 17, 2000. The district may reject any or all proposals. Freddy Wade

Interim Superintendent

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Red River County Auditor

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Saturday, July 8, 2000 Clardy, TX

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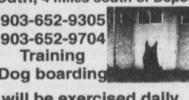
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David Stansell is reported home and doing well following kidney stone surgery Tuesday at Titus County Regional Hospital.

Enjoying supper at TaMolly's in Sulphur Springs Thursday night were Cynthia Jones, Shaunda Tiffie, Cathy Grissom, Susan Thompson, Patsy Smith, Nancy Brown, Leslie Richeson, Whitney Savage and Cassandra Norman.

On Saturday Patsy Smith, Nancy Brown, Leslie Richeson, Whitney Savage and Cassandra Norman enjoyed shopping in Sulphur Springs and supper at the Western Sizzlin' Restaurant before attending the Dixie Ponytails District playoff. Leslie, Whitney and Cassandra were over night guest with the Brown's.

John D. Wright was uninjured in a two car accident on Hwy. 271 N of Mt. Pleasant Thursday. Mr. Wright's vehical received heavy damage when a truck and trailer pulled out in front of him near Conroy Equipment.

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Sunday Eddie and Nancy Brown, Patsy and Arthur Smith, Cynthia Jones, Shaunda Tiffie, Cathy Grissom, Susan Thompson, Leslie Richeson, Whitney Savage, Cassandra Norman and most of the Red River Valley Dixie Ponytail All Star team and their parents celebrated their win over Mt. Pleasant with supper at

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Smith of Mt. Pleasant visited with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Graf and children Sunday afternoon.

Charles Graf, Katherine, Rachel and Susan attended the Canton Trade Days Saturday. On the return home they stopped in Sulphur Springs to support the Red River Valley All

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Happy July birthday to: Leslie Richeson, Cassandra Norman, Rebecca Sanders, Chasity Francis, Paul Anderson, Brandi Watson, Lisa Smith, Amanda Jones, Courtney Jones and Susan Smith.

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Cunningham News By Jane ONeal

The community was saddened by the death of Lorette Pynes. Sympathy is extended to her family.

The Cunningham Homecoming was held on Saturday at the Community Center. It was a real success with between 250 and 300 people in attendance. A catered meal was served to 230 people at 6:00 p.m. Various games and programs were held during the day and a lot of visiting with former residents. Walker and Willie Devlin and Joe Bailey Williams were honored as the oldest persons present.

Joe and Doris Blankenship of the Colony spent Sunday night with Darold and Ida Mae Norwood, they spent Monday night with Bea and Tom White of Bogata and Neal and Ann Baker on Tuesday night.

On Monday Darold and Ida Mae Norwood, Joe and Doris Blankenship, Neal and Ann Baker and Bea and Tom White and Conard and Delores Norwood visited Barbara and Charlie Smith of Bogata.

James, Pat, Brenton, Jace and Ericka Norwood and Mendy, Todd, Lacy and Kelby Cole spent the holidays at Lake Bob Sandlin.

Velma Cox spent last week in Alvarado with Gordon and Jan Cox. Gordon and Jan brought her home, attended the homecoming and spent Friday and Saturday night with her.

Morris Cox of Dallas also attended the homecoming and spent Friday night with Velma Cox.

Joe and Georgia Oats had Sunday

lunch for Billy Ray and Neva Oats and Georjeana and Brad Nutt. Lessie Stuart and Willie Wilson of Reno visited on Sunday afternoon.

David, Kathy and Sydney Jackson of Lees Summit, Missouri spent the holidays with Sue and Murray

Jane O'Neal had Sunday lunch for Sue and Murray Jackson, Janee and Kenzie Jackson, David, Kathy and Sydney Jackson, Karla, Aaron and Kara Palmer, Dwayne, Lisa, O'Neal and Weston Drinnon. Andrea Palmer visited in the afternoon.

Having Sunday lunch with Geneva Norwood were Frankie, Julie, Logan, Layton and Caleb Norwood, Scottie, Treda, Amber and Spur Norwood.

Zack Kennedy spent Saturday night with Shelby and Bobby Kennedy. Jeff and Garrett Kennedy joined them for lunch on Sunday.

Conard and Delores took Frances Franklin for a doctor appointment in Houston on Monday.

Conard and Delores Norwood and Teresa and Kelti Mowrey and Jamis Smith spent Tuesday and Wedne day at Lake Bob Sandlin.

Conard and Delores Norwood had Sunday night dinner with Teresa and Kelti Mowrey and Jamie Smith.

L'Wanda and Pete McKnight had Sunday lunch for Connie McKnight, Johnny, Fran, Johnna, Jenna Patterson and Cindy LeeDon and Raenna Barnett.

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