

Former Resident Recalls Christmas Past

Editor's Note: Ruth Webb Haberle was born and raised in Deport, and has been a long time resident of Jacksonville in adulthood.

She presented some "Christmas Memories" to a Jacksonville organization, and then was asked if her presentation could be written into a sesquicentennial edition of the Jacksonville Daily Progress.

Her sister, Helen Webb Black, read the article and occurred to her that the paper might think since the memories were of this area, that it might be useful to us.

We were enchanted with the memories, and grateful to those readers who so kindly made it possible for us to run them.

Ruth Webb Haberle
Someone once said, "Memory is one gift of God that death does not destroy."

There is a time when memory starts for each of us, a different time. Memories are transient things—they come and go in our minds like blurred pictures, sometimes blending together, until we see with vivid clarity one face, one place, one day, and for an enchanted moment, we are part of our past, a living, breathing

part of times long past, and most times, forgotten.

Christmas is a time for memories. I was one year old when I took my first step and headed in the direction of the neighborhood Christmas tree that my mother and dad had placed in the parlor and securely standing in a large bucket of dirt.

My sister and brother had decorated the tree with strings of fresh white popcorn, which scattered through the green tree like ropes of snow. They had wrapped black walnuts with gold and silver paper, and there were small candles which, when lit, covered the whole green and beautiful structure with little living flames. Then, with joy and awe, the

neighbors and my family gathered around to sing carols.

Days before, my mother had made delicious divinity candy, lumpy with black walnut goodies from our own yard. She had filled small sacks, one for each neighbor, white sacks, tied with red ribbons.

That Christmas was celebrated in the house my grandfather and grandmother had built years before. A long hall ran down the middle of it, and I remember a fireplace in every bedroom. That Christmas of remembering was a gift memory from my family.

During my grade school and high school days, before school was dismissed for the Christmas holidays,

we all climbed the stairs to the third story auditorium. A large cedar tree stood by the side of the stage (as we called it), glittering with lights. Each grade had contributed to the decorations, and they were many and varied according to the talents of the children.

We sang carols, and I remember one special Christmas when I was asked to read the Christmas story. I spent many an hour reading aloud the second chapter of Luke, standing on the top of our storm cellar under three tall cedar trees. I almost had it memorized, but I didn't dare leave my Bible at home. It would have been so humiliating to forget before such a large group of my peers.

Members of each room had drawn names, and we knew for certain that one of those red, green and white packages, gaily tied with ribbons and heaped under the tree, would be ours. My mother always wrapped the gifts for my teachers and special friends. I remember she used white tissue paper, ribbon and Christmas seals. Each package was carefully done and was beautiful to me. These packages were handed out personally with a "Merry Christmas" greeting.

In those days, there were three important things: home, church and school. All of our activities centered around one of the three.

After we had done the play, we were given a sack of candy from the

tree, handed out by a dubious Santa Claus, who looked vaguely familiar. There was also one gift for each of us, put under the tree by our parents. Those were golden days!

Our children (F.L.'s and mine) have many happy memories of Christmases spent in Deport, and they tell their children about them. So we make our own Christmas memories, partly with our own hands, partly with family traditions. But remember: So long as we live, we can have the gift of memories.



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NICHOLS' WORTH

By: Nanalee Nichols

Here at Christmas, when organizations are helping the less fortunate, and people try to share in their abundance, people really don't want to hear unpleasant facts.

There are those who will disregard this column for another reason...they don't think animals are important.

But those who own pets have a responsibility to them, and it is time they recognized that.

Animal dumping seems to be getting worse and worse. Living on rural farm to market roads, many people are aware of just how many pathetic bits of animal flotsam are abandoned.

Why would anyone dump a kitten barely old enough to be weaned on the theory that "cats can take care of themselves"? Cats can, to some extent, but tiny kittens cannot fend for themselves anymore than a small child can.

Dogs have even fewer options. By nature a pack animal, they cannot hunt to survive alone.

As an example, last summer on the road to Detroit four white, curly puppies were sitting on a lonely stretch of road, watching the world go by with slightly bewildered expressions.

Since I had a carload of elderly women, I couldn't stop. On the return trip, one was already crushed in the road and the others were becoming hotter and more confused by the minute.

Friends with a pickup returned to the scene but were unable to locate the abandoned pups, who had apparently wandered off into the woods looking for food.

These animals were not picked up by someone. No magic house appeared to offer them food and shelter. That only happens rarely. Most probably, they starved. The one that was run over was probably the luckiest of the four.

We have kittens and cats dumped on us with startling regularity. We feed them, doctor them and hopefully find homes for them. Sometimes they never make it to our door, though, being run over or caught by coyotes before they can locate a haven.

It seems cruel to kill a puppy or kitten, or take it to a shelter or pound. But a quick, painless death is so preferable to a lingering death due to exposure and starvation.

People sometimes just don't realize that a puppy or kitten can be so much trouble, or that they will grow up so large.

Others don't like the idea of having them "put to sleep".

But please, people, it's so much better than dumping.

The best solution is neutering of animals so that they don't continue to add to an already overfull population. Next to that, take them to a shelter or pound, or to the vet for a quick needle or painless death.

People who really think about it will do it...they won't dump anymore.

Of course, there are always those who simply don't care. And a few nights being freezing cold and death-brink hungry probably wouldn't change THEIR minds.

And to those of you who take proper care of their pets, and never dump them on the sides of the road...a special blessing to each and every one of you.



BURNED-This 1979 Ford LTD burst into flames when owner

James VanDeaver tried to crank it Tuesday afternoon. Deport

Volunteer firemen quickly extinguished the blaze, but the motor was destroyed. (Staff Photo)



CHRISTMAS SHOP-Members of the Deport United Methodist Church opened a Christmas shop

last weekend with baked goods, crafts and gift items for sale in

Main Street in Deport. (Staff Photo)

Chance To Win Cash During Paper Sale

The Deport Times, Bogata News, Talco Times and Blossom Times will hold their annual month-long subscription sale all during December, and this year there will be

an added opportunity...the chance to win cash prizes!

The paper will be on sale for \$2.00 off the usual yearly rate. That means that a whole year of the paper will cost only \$8.00 in Lamar, Red River and Titus Counties, \$10.50 in the state of Texas but not in the above-mentioned counties and \$13.00 a year for out of state subscriptions. In spite of severe increases in postage rates, the papers have not had a price hike in two years, and hope to continue to be able to bring savings to their customers.

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Council Considers Dog Problem

The Deport City Council met Monday night, with the primary issue of business being the complaints of dogs roaming the city.

The City has received numerous complaints from citizens about packs or single dogs running loose, without vaccination tags or any sign of identification.

A specific complaint has been received from various sources concerning the pack of dogs patrolling the school grounds.

Parents and teachers and school authorities are worried about the possibility of dog bites inflicted on children while they are on the playground. These dogs have no collar nor tag, and their owners are unknown.

Unless citizens undertake to control these animals, tax dollars may have to be expended to create an animal pound. Animals would be confined for

72 hours, and after that time a veterinarian would put them to sleep. It is an expensive process, and one which a small town cannot easily deal with.

If individual dog owners would take the time and trouble to properly care for their pets, the problem would largely be taken care of.

There IS a city ordinance against dogs running loose, which has not been enforced since the 1940's. However, if the stray problem continues, it will have to be enforced.

In other business, the city employees were given a 3% raise to keep their salaries in line within economic guidelines.

A dedication naming Moore Street was passed. The street runs between College and Pecan, and was donated by John H. Moore.

Minutes and financial report and payment of the bills was done.

School Board Appoints Committee

The Prairiland CISD School Board met Monday evening to discuss routine matters of business.

They adopted update changes according to House Bill 13 to the discipline management plan. According to Assistant Superintendent Richard Nash, this mostly means changes in the wording of the discipline management plan.

Superintendent Leslie Taylor and Max Ballard were appointed as financial directors on loans for the school. They will be in charge of handling loans for bus warrants and similar loans.

A \$40,000 bond rate was approved for tax collector Jerry Nell Stout.

The 1986-87 textbook committee was appointed. It consists of: Chairman Leslie Taylor, Larry Salters, L.C. Stout, Gary Ballard, Sue Jackson, Carol Newberry, Christy Borden, Dora Stidham, Barbara Herrington, Jackie Clinton, Carol Dorsey, Juanita Davis, Nancy Breedlove, Peggy Parsons and Kathy Abbott.

The board also approved an amendment to the budget, approved the minutes, financial report and payment of bills.

Deport Christmas Parade Is Tuesday

The Deport Christmas Parade is scheduled for Tuesday, December 16 at 1 p.m.

The entries need to be at the Deport Park by 12:30 in order to be judged before the parade.

There will be three categories:

floats, vehicles and bikes, with a \$25 first prize, \$15 and \$10 prize in each category.

The Prairiland Band will play, the firetruck will be in the parade, and Santa Claus will make an appearance.

The PRAIRILAND CISD TAX OFFICE will close at 4 p.m. on December 19 and open at 8 a.m. on JANUARY 5...all taxes received in the mail during that period will be posted as of December 30.

REMEMBER, to see a BOOSTER CLUB MEMBER for a chance on a WATERBED donated by J.R.'s BEDQUARTERS....

There will be a MEETING of the DEPORT AMERICAN LEGION at 7 p.m. on THURSDAY, Dec. 11...members are urged to attend.

PEOPLE AND THINGS



WINNERS-The Deport Junior High A Team won first place at the Winfield Tournament recently, defeating highly ranked Sulphur

Bluff for the honor. From left to right are: Greg Vickers, Chris McCarty, Jason Baker, Chris Kennedy, Coach Murray Riddles,

David Perry, Richard Perry, Cecil Anderson, Quinton Mitchell and Matt Birch. (Staff Photo)

Cunningham News

By Berniece Wyatt
Mrs. Gladys Oneal received word of the death on Dec. 5 of her niece, Mrs. Mabel Powell Rinehart Pendergraft of Fresno, CA. She was a former resident of the community and sympathy is extended to the family.

Velma Cox with Mrs. Lloyd Williams of Shady Grove visited Dora Hester of Paris Tuesday.

Members of the Baptist Church with their pastor, Rev. and Mrs. G.C. Renfro and several visitors enjoyed a pre-Christmas supper at the church Wednesday night.

Rev. and Mrs. Don Whitt of Hot Springs, AR were Friday night supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Almer Norwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Bell, Dvid and Mike were Wednesday night dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Sain and Mrs. Ida Deshong.

Kelly Anderson of Bogata spent the weekend with her father, Mickey Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. John L. Allen of Arlington and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Allen of Blossom and grandson Joshua Fry of Dalas visited Mr. and Mrs. Fred Allen during the weekend.

Mrs. Joe B. Williams spent Monday night and Tuesday with Adelle Murrell of Blossom.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Taylor and Paris visited Harry Slusher and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Slusher Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Edwards of Houston spent Wednesday night with Mrs. Delia Wilson. They left Thursday morning to visit Mrs. Elbert Hines of Benton, AR.

Mrs. Jackie Fox is a patient in

McCuiston Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Talma Fowler visited Mr. and Mrs. Willie Joe Fowler Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Sain visited Mr. and Mrs. D.C. Thomas of Jowntown Friday.

Mrs. Almer Norwood with Noah Poe and Linnis Graham of Paris had lunch at Catfish King Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Bell and Mr. and Mrs. David Bell visited Mr. and Mrs. Norman Sain and Mrs. Ida Deshong Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Slusher visited Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Hall of Detroit Thursday night.

Velma Cox visited Noah Poe and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Devlin of Paris Friday.

Danny Norwood and Darold Norwood of Paris had lunch with Almer Norwood Saturday.

Mrs. J.D. Crews of Paris spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Delphia Malone.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Slusher visited Mr. and Mrs. Clovis Morrison of Caviness Monday.

Mrs. Almer Norwood met Mrs. Ronnie White of Sulphur Springs at Gringo's for lunch Saturday.

Leonard Cruise received word Sunday night of the death of his mother, Mrs. Tommie Cruise of Garland. She was a former resident of the community. Sympathy is extended to the family.

In last week's article about the Cunningham class reunion, Pete McKnight's name was inadvertently omitted from the guests and it should have read Leonard and Ruby Rhodes Davis of Paris.

Obituaries

Hattie Black Dies At Age 93

Hattie Black, 93, formerly of Cuthand, died Saturday, December 6 at Red River Haven Nursing Home in Bogata.

Funeral services were Monday at 11 a.m. at Cuthand Methodist Church with the Rev. Alvin Blalock officiating. Burial was in Cuthand Cemetery by Bogata Funeral Home.

Born Oct. 20, 1893 in Red River County, she was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Byrd. She married Kirby Black on June 19, 1917 in Titus County. He died Dec. 21, 1959.

Surviving are four grandsons, Billy Black of Bogata, Tony and Ray Black of Mt. Vernon and Kirby Black of Austin; one granddaughter, Linda Sue Wright of Amarillo; six great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; and one sister, Bertha Page of Naples.

Tommie Cruise Dies At Age 76

Tommie Cruise, 76, of Garland, formerly of Cunningham, died Sunday, December 7 at Memorial Hospital in Garland.

Services were Tuesday, Dec. 9 at 2 p.m. at Life Tabernacle Church in Cunningham. Burial was in Restland Cemetery in Cunningham under the direction of Grant Funeral Home.

Born Feb. 10, 1910 in Cunningham, she was the daughter of Walter R. and Lavada Maxfield Robinson. She married Ben R. Cruise in Ennis on October 11, 1927. He died in February, 1980.

She is survived by three sons, Leonard Cruise of Cunningham, James Cruise of Greenville and Ladell Cruise of Quinlan; three daughters, Betty Sharp, Virginia Clayton and Linda Albercumbia, all of Garland; one brother, George Green of Mt. Pleasant; 15 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Winnie Skidmore Dies At Age 86

Winnie D. Skidmore, wife of W.W. (Pete) Skidmore of Blossom died Saturday, November 29 at McCuiston Regional Medical Center.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, December 2 at Fry and Gibbs Funeral Home Chapel with Rick Henslee, pastor of the Bonham Street Church of Christ, and Haskell England officiating. Burial was in Evergreen Cemetery.

Mrs. Skidmore was born June 22, 1900 in Deport, a daughter of S.W. Monk and Molly Murray. She attended Milton public schools. On November 1, 1925 she married Mr. Skidmore in Paris. They lived in Blossom all their married life. She was a member of the Bonham Street Church of Christ.

Survivors include her husband; one son, Henry Skidmore of Dallas; one granddaughter, Cindy Jenkins of Dallas; one great-grandson, David Jenkins of Dallas; and one great-granddaughter, Carrie Jenkins of Dallas.

Otto J. Pirtle Dies At Age 88

Otto J. Pirtle of Paris died Friday, December 5 at St. Joseph's Hospital. Services were held at 2 p.m. Monday, December 8 at Fry and Gibbs Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Glynn Vickers officiating. Burial followed at the Rosalie Cemetery at Bogata.

Mr. Pirtle was born February 10, 1898 at Meridian. He attended public schools in Deport and Bogata. He married Naomi Morgan, who died in August of 1970. He was employed by West Texas Electric until he retired in 1963. He moved back to Paris in 1971.

Surviving are one son, Leon Pirtle of Paris; three grandsons, Ronald, Jerry and Rick, all of Paris and six great-grandchildren.

Fay Titsworth Dies At Age 73

Fay Titsworth of Blossom died Tuesday, December 2 in Blossom.

Funeral services were at 2 p.m. Wednesday, December 3 at Norwood Funeral Home Chapel with Coy Fairless officiating with burial in Hayworth Cemetery.

Mrs. Titsworth was born February 3, 1913 in Bryan County, OK. She was reared in McCurtain County and moved to Texas a number of years ago. She was a member of the Assembly of God Church.

Surviving are her husband, Loyd Titsworth of Blossom; three sons, Orlando Gill of Leesburg, Gene Titsworth of Blossom and Robert Titsworth of Talco; two daughters, Clara Gibson of Linden and Charlene Gibson of Bagwell; two nephews, Ollie Fairless and Jim Fairless, both of Antlers; 32 grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren.

Opal Welch Dies Dec. 1

Mrs. Granville (Opal) Welch of Marlin died December 1. Graveside services were held in Austin on December 4 at 2:30 p.m.

She was the daughter of the late Frank and Velma Tucker.

She is survived by her husband; five sons, Jerry, Alan, Sammy, Roger and Tony Driskill; three sisters, Grace Smity of Lewisville, Wilma Wren of Clarksville and Wanda Place of Vacaville, CA; one brother, Franklin G. Tucker of Lake Dallas, CA.

Henry Phillips Dies At Age 64

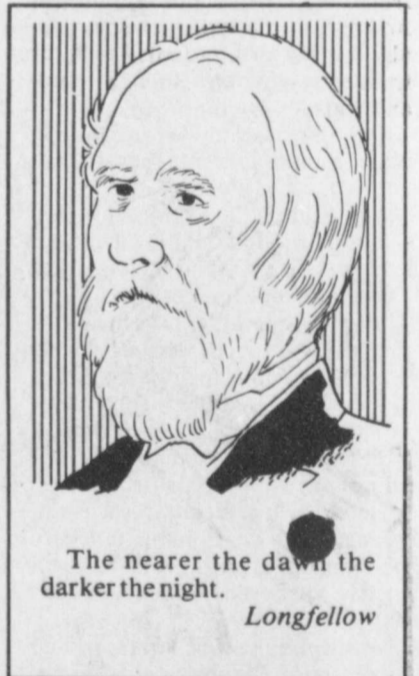
Henry Phillips of Wiley died Tuesday, December 2 at Wiley Hospital.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Thursday, December 4 at Lone Star Methodist Church with the Rev. Al Draper and the Rev. Robert Kreymer officiating with burial in Lone Star Cemetery by Jolley's Funeral Home.

Mr. Phillips was born August 3, 1922 in Clarksville, a son of Perry and Ethel Randolph Phillips. He married Sarah Christopher on May 16, 1946 in Rosalie. He was a veteran of World War II.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Bobby Phillips of Jacksonville, FL and Lonnie Phillips of Wiley; three brothers, Ted Phillips, Hub Phillips and Jack Phillips, all of Clarksville; one sister, Inez Price of Clarksville and six grandchildren. Nephews were bearers.

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Fulbright News

By Betty Rodgers

Jimmy King, Ethel Epps and Stella Ridenes went to Clarksville Thursday night to see the Christmas parade.

Mrs. Johnny Kelley of Paris visited Mr. and Mrs. J.J. Kerbow Thursday evening.

Several members of the community enjoyed a covered dish supper and gift exchange at the community center Monday night. It was the annual Christmas party.

Marion Mitchell, Rene Embrey of Deport, Ray Embrey of Garland, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Ward of Pottsboro, Sandy Gandy and Gene Jeracki of Dallas and Worth Baker were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Gandy.

Mrs. Johnnie Looney visited relatives in Grand Saline Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Travis King visited Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Bill

Hammer in Aikin Grove.

Mrs. Stella Ridenes was hostess to the Legate family Christmas dinner and tree Sunday. Guests attending were Mr. and Mrs. Albert Legate of Bogata, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Legate, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Ward of Pottsboro, Mr. and Mrs. Kerry King and Jeremy of Mt. Pleasant and Mr. and Mrs. Hub Miller of Bogata.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Gandy visited at Lake Cypress Springs Thursday.

Betty and Melissa Rodgers attended the Christmas parade in Paris Saturday. The Prairiland Band participated in the parade.

Travis and Jimmy King attended the O.E.S. Christmas party Friday night at the Masonic Hall in Deport.

E.N. Pierce of Dallas visited the Travis Kings last week.

RRV Deaf & Hearing To Meet

The Red River Valley Deaf and Hearing Association will meet Thursday, December 11 at 7 p.m. at the First Assembly of God Church in Paris. This is one week earlier than the usual meeting time because of the Christmas season.

Everyone is to bring one meat, or two vegetables, or one salad and one dessert. This is the Association's Christmas luncheon, so Santa Claus will be there.

The Signs of Harvest Singers, from Christ for the Nation Institute in Dallas, performed to an almost full house last month. This all deaf cast was understood by everyone, even

without their interpreters. Their message in drama, song and personal testimonies was well received by the audience.

More information will be discussed about the Braschler Quartet Concert coming up in February.

Also, membership dues should be paid up before the dues of 1987. Remember, they are only \$5.00 per person, or \$10.00 per family. That price is a bargain compared with the Texas Association of the Deaf, and the National Association of the Deaf, which is \$10.00 for either one. Deaf or hearing, or friends or interested, come one, come all.

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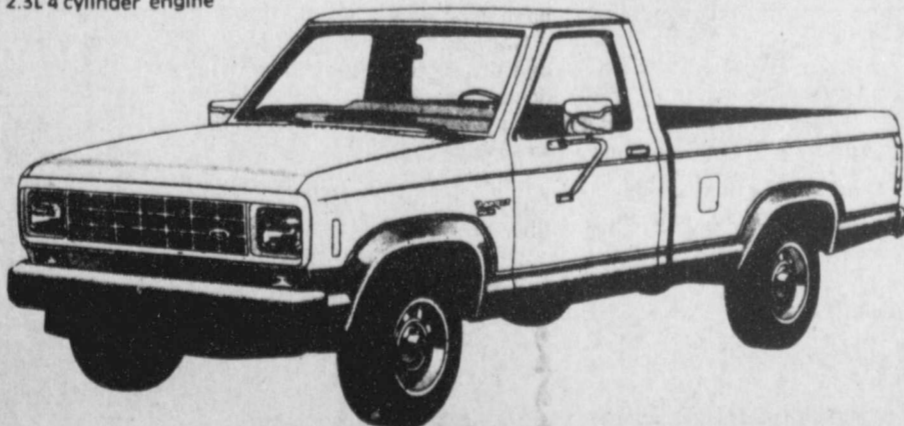
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CHRISTMAS QUEENS and Kings at 1st Elementary are, back row, Christi Wood and Roy Arrowsmith; 1-2, Christal Gilbert

and David Ford; 2-1, Traci Griffin and Cliff Adams; 2-2, Melanie Griffin and (not pictured due to absence) Jason Brown; front row,

Kindergarten 1, Jody Sullivan and Kristi Sexton; K-2, Dustin Allen and Amy Talley. (Staff Photo)



CHRISTMAS Kings and Queens-The Deport Junior High kings and queens, who will ride in the parade next week are: 8-2, Rodney Filkins

and Lorrie Sheppard; 8-1, Donald Spears and Lori Malone; 7th, Wesley Rhoades and Kimberly

Reep; 6th-1, Chad Farris and Christy Mantooh; 6-2, Chris Holt and Jane'e Jackson. (Staff Photo)

Clardy News

By Virgie Ballard

December 2 marked the 83rd birthday for Hershel Stone, with a birthday supper prepared by his wife, Mary Stone, his daughter and husband, Rev. and Mrs. Kenneth Short of Paris were supper guests.

Mr. Stone received a telephone call from his great-granddaughter, Amber Short of Woodstock, IL and also several gifts and cards and calls from this area. Mr. Stone was born and raised on the farm he now

operates with cattle and was the youngest child of fifteen of the late Bill and Bettie Stone. He has one brother, Rant Stone of Clardy, living. Hershel has lived in Pattonville all his life, except four years, when he lived at Bailey.

All wished for him more good health and happiness in years to come.

Mrs. Mamie McMellon and Mrs. Era Rader were at a funeral home in Paris last Tuesday to be with the

family of a relative, Audie Vender, who died Monday. Sympathy is extended to his family.

Mrs. Nelda Harrell of Jennings visited Mrs. Virgie Ballard last Wednesday night after service.

Mrs. Virgie Ballard visited Ruby Bryant of Pattonville last Monday morning.

Mrs. Ruby Hudson of Jennings spent part of last week with Mrs. Lena Miller of Reno.

Mrs. Virgie Ballard took Mrs. Era Rader to Paris Friday then Mrs. Virgie enjoyed lunch with a friend.

Bobby Harrell has been helping Nowell build a shed in Paris.

Mrs. Sue Gibbs and daughter Danita and her son of Detroit and Mrs. Kay Hancock and son Daniel of Clardy spent Thursday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A.G. Ballard. They had a good old fashioned day together.

Mrs. Ruby Hudson and Mrs. Virgie Ballard were Deport business visitors last Wednesday afternoon.

Many around the area were in Paris Saturday for the Christmas parade.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hatcher of Marvin spent Saturday in Tyler and visited friends in Lindale.

Mary Ann Hancock, Kelli Ballard, Louise Clement were sick during the weekend with colds and sore throats.

Lillie Mae Ballard and her niece Wylene of Dallas had dinner with Roland and Lois Ballard on Saturday.

Charles Price was ill during the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Griffin of Sumner visited Lewis and Louise Clement Friday night.

L.T. Clement is at home and doing very well after a stay in a Paris hospital. We are glad to have them home again.

Mrs. Coker of Paris fell last week and broke her wrist. She is the mother of Nelda Harrell of Jennings.

Mrs. Ralph Kerley of Rockford was able to be out to church Sunday after being ill in a Paris hospital several days.

The Curtis Skidmores are the parents of a baby girl since last week. She is a granddaughter of Clayton and Madge Skidmore.

A letter to the church from friends in Mexico was enjoyed by everyone Sunday. Members had a part in helping the people there build a new church last year and they sent us a report of how well they are doing.

Stacie Felker of Reno spent the weekend with father George in the home of Mrs. Era Rader.

Word was received here during the weekend of that the former Mary Jane Grigsby had died. She lived in Clardy for many years.

Mrs. Mary Stone is the owner of a new stove since last week. Mrs. Mary visited her daughter, Robie of Jennings Saturday.



ELISA PROCTOR is pictured with her plaque she received at the County Food Show on November 1 at North Lamar Cafeteria. Elisa won first place in the Senior Division, Fruits and Vegetables. She will be representing Lamar County at the District level at Pittsburg on January 10, 1987. Her plaque was sponsored by Scholtzky's and she is a member of Red Oak 4-H Club. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)



JAMIE IRWIN won the Senior Division, Breads and Cereals, at the County Food Show on November 1 at the North Lamar Cafeteria. This earned Jamie the right to compete on the District level, representing Lamar County at Pittsburg on January 10, 1987. Her plaque was sponsored by Blossom Superette and Jamie is a member of Red Oak 4-H. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

Word was received by relatives here last week that their cousin, Ben Dixon of Hawkins, who has cancer of the throat, that he wasn't doing well. He is a cousin of all the Ballard boys.

Mrs. Scholette Mecke of Wolfe City visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L.T. Clement Saturday. L.C. and Jerry Nell Stout of Pattonville visited the Clements Sunday night before church.

Practice on a Christmas program was begun at Bethel Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. McGuire moved from the community to a house they bought in Reno last week. We hope they will have good luck in their new home.

Gary Ballard, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Ballard, received his doctor's degree at ETSU last week. Gary is high school principal at Prairiland.

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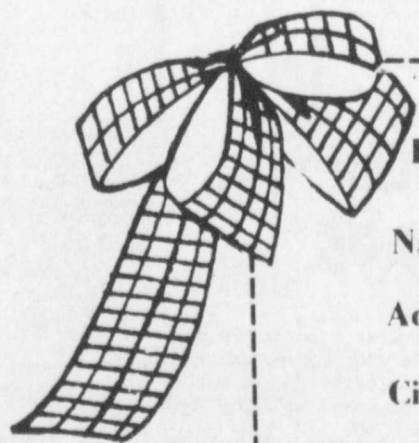
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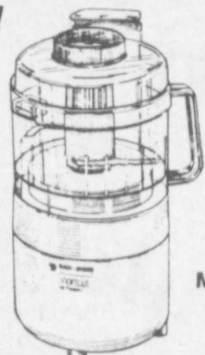
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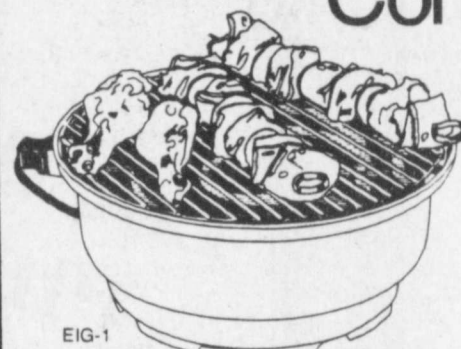
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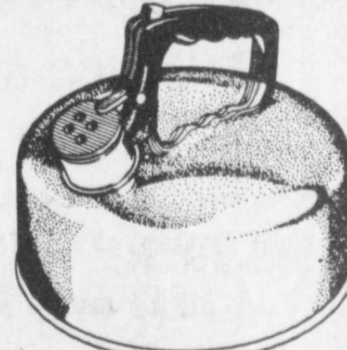
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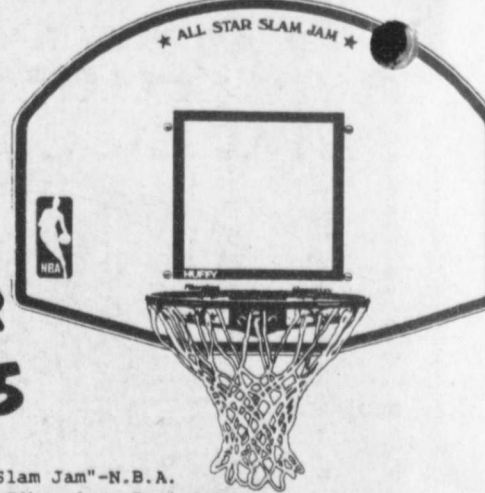
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Brother Whitt

Returns From Missionary Trip

Bro. Don Whitt, pastor of the Life Tabernacle Church at Cunningham has returned from a 14-day missionary trip to the Orient, which included visits to Japan, Taiwan, Hong Kong, China and Korea. While in Teapai, he surveyed the earthquake that took the lives of 61 people and injured many more.

In Japan, he visited with missionaries and saw the progress of their work there. The reports in Japan the people were not too friendly. Tokyo is a very modern, beautiful city, but everything is very expensive. The most enjoyable part of the trip is Hong Kong. It is a ladies dream come true in the shopping centers. The prices are fair, and you can find everything.

Bro. Whitt carried 24 Bibles and one tape recorder into mainland China. In China, all foreign literature is forbidden. There is an estimated 50 million

Christians, and only 2 million Bibles. One Bible reaches one thousand people, so he was happy to get 24 Bibles through to the underground church. The found the people of China very friendly, and there was no restrictions on his activities, any place he chose to go.

From Canton he flew to Korea, where he attended the largest full gospel church in the world with membership of over 600,000. Pray is offered day and night and at a chapel on the mountain, people gather to pray for needs and peace.

Bro. Whitt stated it was an experience he will never forget, as he related highlights of his trip Sunday night to members of Life Tabernacle Church. Pastor Whitt closed by saying the next time he would like to take everyone with him with a load of Bibles.



CHRISTMAS KINGS and queens at Deport Elementary are: third grade, Jeffery Jeffu and Gina

Moreland; 4-1, LeAnn Farris and Gearl Keys; 4-2, Jason Anderson and Nell Merritt; 5, Marti Gifford

(not pictured) and Brad Allen. (Staff Photo)

Pattonville News

By Ann Wright

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Bryant and Ruby were Ellen Wever of Reno and niece, Debbie of Paris, Mrs. Graves of Blossom, Patti Bryant of Shady Grove and Toni Priest of Paris.

Gerald Cobb of Paris was guest speaker at the Pattonville Church of Christ Sunday.

Cindy Burks of Commerce visited Mr. and Mrs. Kent Wright Sunday afternoon.

The Pattonville Church of Christ will be entertaining the people at the Deport Nursing Home Saturday at 1:30.



have a nice weekend...

Bob Haney Is Special Postman

Bob Haney, husband of Joanne Chesshire Haney, has been recognized by the city of Atlanta, Texas, for his volunteer service to the community.

Haney, who is a mail carrier, has gone far beyond the bounds of a mail carrier to take care of those on his mail route.

He has sent flowers to the lonely on Mother's Day, visited people on his route while they were in the hospital, delivered groceries in bad weather, and generally helped everyone he felt needed it.

He has even sent flowers to funerals of people he has served. The card on

those flowers were signed "The Atlanta Post Office". Postmaster Robert Dendy didn't know about Bob using his own money for this until the post office received a thank you note.

One of the city routes has a drainage ditch which most of the longer-legged carriers can jump, but Haney, with short legs, had trouble with it.

Again using his own funds, Haney built a little bridge across the ditch which is now used by citizens as well as mail carriers.

The award, pictures and a feature story appeared in a long article in the Atlanta Journal recently.

Deport Nursing Home News

Visiting Russie and Jack Bell were Mrs. Rankin Bell of Garland and Given Womack of Richardson.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Savage of Houston and Mrs. Jason Featherstone of Malakoff visited Johnette Reed.

Ruth O'Brien of Garland visited Mrs. Julia Wadley.

Rev. and Mrs. V.O. Kyle of Paris visited Mrs. Inez Frieze.

Robert Giboney of Detroit visited Inez Frieze.

Mrs. Bobbie Harper entertained

Thursday afternoon singing Christmas carols.

Joe Julian and the No Name Band entertained at a dance Thursday night.

Paul and Cathy Blasingame taught Bible study Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Pauline Rodgers taught Bible study Monday morning.

George Hancock of Bogata and John Bead of Paris visited Mr. and Mrs. H.E. Shanon on Friday.

The employee Christmas party was held on Monday.

Deport Housing Authority News

By Lelia Westbrook and Mary Westbrook

We extend our sympathy to Mrs. Mina Kyle and family on the death of her son, Don Kyle in Paris last week.

Doc and Glynda Bryson and son Robert of Irving spent Saturday night and Sunday with his mother, Maureen Bryson.

Ms. Kate Harmening was a dinner guest of her son, C.L. Marchbanks and family in Paris Sunday night.

Ms. Hazel Cheatham of Redwater spent Friday and Saturday with Mrs. Beulah Shipp.

Mrs. Imogene Wright is in the hospital.

Pat and Geraldine Paterson of Dallas visited Mrs. Opal Foster on Thursday.

Peggy Parsons of Pattonville visited Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Sparks Friday and Saturday.

Jo Hawkins from Denton with her sister and niece from New Jersey visited friends on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. E.J. Shelby visited their daughter, Brenda Daugherty and her children of Leonard Friday through Sunday.

Open House

Held At Venice Brysons

By Venice Bryson

Sunday, November 30, Venice Bryson entertained with an open house and a "Taste of Christmas". The house was decorated for the Christmas season, with a red and green motif. Guests were greeted by Mrs. Bryson, and as guests entered the living room, the lighted tree was seen. The focal point was the Bible opened to the second chapter Luke with a nearby nativity scene showing the arrival of the three wise men.

In the dining room was a "Partridge in a Pear Tree" on a red draped table. The dining table with a red cloth with an overlay of red net embroidered with sequins held the crystal punch bowl with red punch, which was served in Santa Claus mugs with cookies and cake. Coffee was served in the kitchen, with cookies, cheese loaf and party mix.

Guests moved to the bedroom to see an array of handcrafted items made by Mrs. Bryson. The focal point here was a bare-branched white tree showing tiny brown bears which she had made, the three was lighted with small colored lights.

The hostess was assisted in greeting and serving by Marla, Jennifer and Jessica Logan, Jeanette Burks, Goldie Alsobrook, Ann Roberts, Imogene Wilson, Brandi Wilson, Patsy Norrell, Dot Nichols and Lila Screws.

Seventy-six guests registered including Austin Fire Chief Bill Roberts and Mrs. Roberts, their daughter Renee of Nacogdoches, several from Paris, Blossom, Bogata, Cunningham, Minter, Deport. Also the Rev. and Mrs. Rickey Logan and daughter of Talco.

Tuesday 42 Club Meets

The Tuesday 42 Club met with Frances Franklin on December 2 with all members present.

for high score. The hostess served refreshments. The next meeting will be January 6 with Kate Harmening.

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Patriots Third In Tourney, Girls Still Looking

By Eric Foster
The Prairiland Patriots and the Lady Patriots participated in the Rivercrest Tournament this past

weekend, where the boys brought home a third place trophy. In the first round of the tournament, the Patriots had to play the North

Lamar Panthers. The first half was very close, as both teams committed numerous mistakes and 17 fouls between them. The half ended with the Patriots trailing 21-16.

Prairiland's defense, in the third period, held the Panthers to only four points, while the offense gained 13 points. The period ended with the Patriots leading 29-25.

The fourth period was again ruled by the Patriots as they held the Panthers scoreless for 7:15 and the offense made 15 points and the game ended 44-32, Prairiland. Also in the first round, the Lady Patriots played the North Lamar Pantherettes.

The fems were not so lucky as they were defeated by the Pantherettes 44-38. "On track" is where the fems looked during the first half of lay as they went into the locker room with a 20-16 lead.

The third period was a see-saw for

the lead as each team responded to the others' score. The fems did, however, come out ahead 33-32 when the period ended.

In the final period, the fems "detailed" and the Pantherettes won the game.

Second round action of the tournament saw both the boys and girls facing Chisum Mustangs.

The Pats came out in grand fashion. While in the first period, the defenses of both teams were tough, the boys ended the period ahead 7-6.

In the second period, the teams were unable to outscore the other, and the half ended with a tie of 15-15.

The fashion that had kept the Pats in the first half, went out of style in the third period, and the Mustangs pulled away from the Patriots. The third period ended with the boys trailing by eleven.

However, in the fourth period, the Pats were able to get back together

but were unable to catch up with the Mustangs and so the game ended with the Patriots losing 54-41.

The Lady Patriots were delivered a very harsh loss to the Mustangs.

The fems, who had played well the day before, never seemed to get started in this game. The ladies were beaten 68-32 and were eliminated from the tournament. One fem commented, "We know we can win, we just aren't able to."

Third place was at stake for the boys in the third round of the tournament. The Patriots were to face the Detroit Eagles.

In the first period, the Patriots, while working on their offense, were unable to capitalize on scoring opportunities. The period ended with Detroit on top, 12-10.

Outscoring the Eagles in the second period 16-6, the Patriots ended the half on top, 26-18.

The third period closed with both teams each getting ten points and with a score of 36-28.

Center was the position to be playing during the final period, as the Pats went to work on their "post feeds". The post accounted for eleven of the total 13 points in the period. The boys came out winners in the game 49-36.

Both Patriot teams will participate in the Prairiland Tournament on Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Statistics throughout the tournament are as follows:

Boys				
No.	Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals
33	Lloyd Whelchel	22	23	1
13	Ricky Minter	18	8	5
15	Robbie Fults	17	7	0
22	Joseph Whelchel	17	7	0
23	Jack Kindle	16	5	0
20	Glenn Dobbs	13	2	1
35	Steven Johnson	11	11	0
12	David Jackson	10	1	3
21	Craig Ladd	8	8	2
10	Shannon Baker	2	0	2

Girls				
No.	Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals
22	Tosha McCarty	17	5	0
25	Melissa LaRue	17	14	0
32	Jana Pomroy	11	6	4
23	LeAnn Anderson	8	17	0
24	Jenissa Baker	6	3	1
12	Karen Burdine	6	5	1
31	Erin Morgan	2	5	0

Lady Patriots In Rut

By Eric Foster

The Lady Patriots came up short again last Tuesday 31-27 to the Commerce Lionettes.

The first period was very close as neither offense was able to get the balls to fall in the basket and the period ended with the girls ahead by two.

In the second period, the fems were able to pull further away from the Lionettes and the period ended with a bucket from Tosha McCarty and the score 8-13.

As the third period began, the girls fell into the offensive rut that they have been in all year and started making crucial mistakes. The girls were only able to score four points in the quarter, while the opponents capitalized on the mistakes and were leading 19-17 at the end of the period.

The fourth period was more of the same mistakes, however, the girls were able to tie up the game with 2:57 left in the period. Then with 2:38 remaining, Karen Burdine hit a shot to pull the fems ahead. On the next lay, however, she fouled an opponent and she made one to bring the score to 26-27.

The girls then went down the court and started to run a delay offense. The Lionettes decided to send one of the Patriots to the charity strip, as they were sure to get the rebound because they had more height than the fems.

The ladies were able to hold the Lionettes scoreless until with :49 to play, they fouled a Lionette and tied it up on a free throw. On the second free throw, the opponents were able to get the rebound and go ahead by two.

With :15 left to play, Jana Pomroy fouled an opponent, trying to steal the ball. They made both free throws and the game ended.

Statistics are: Tosha McCarty, 8 points, 4 rebounds, 3 steals; Jana Pomroy, 6 points, 5 rebounds, 2 steals; Melissa Larue, 5 points, 4 rebounds, one steal; LeAnn Anderson, 4 points, 3 rebounds, one steal; Erin Morgan, 2 points, 2 rebounds, 2 steals; Karen Burdine, 2 points, 4 rebounds.



KENDA OLIVER is fouled by a North Lamar Player, as the Prairiland Varsity girls par-

ticipated in the Rivercrest Invitational Tournament. The girls are

still short of a victory, though. (Staff Photo by Eric Foster)



JUNIOR VARSITY girls played hard to win an impressive victory

over the Commerce Lady Lions last week. The girls defeated Com-

merce 41-21. (Staff Photo by Eric Foster)

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Principal Ballard Receives Ed. Degree

Gary W. Ballard recently earned the degree of Doctor of Education with a major in Educational Administration and a double minor in Mathematics and Secondary and Higher Education. Dr. Ballard completed course work for his Ed. D. in the spring of 1985, and he has spent the last two years researching and writing his dissertation. The work involved a Delphi study to determine the evaluation criteria to be used on a statewide appraisal instrument for teacher evaluation.

Dr. Ballard's research was a result of and response to the mandate given to the Texas Education Agency by the Education Reform Act of 1984 which called for the development of an appraisal instrument and procedures for determining career-ladder placement of Texas teachers. That formidable task, involving a pilot study was to be accomplished in a two year period. Previous research indicated that merit pay was controversial and short lived in most states. The great problem in the establishment and operation of career-ladder programs has been and remains to be the difficulty of rating teachers fairly and in maintaining funds for awards.

Ballard's goal was to see that teachers and administrators would be involved in the preparation of any instrument used to evaluate Texas teachers. His two-year study allowed teachers and administrators to participate by identifying the evaluation criteria to be placed on the instrument to be used throughout Texas. Ballard's first round of the survey was mailed April 3, 1985. A second round was mailed May 28, 1985, and the results were discussed with Susan Barnes, director of the Texas teacher appraisal system.

In July, 1985, the results of Ballard's research were sent to Austin to give input to TEA's effort to develop a statewide appraisal instrument that was fair and acceptable to both teachers and administrators. Dr. Ballard's study also reported the level of importance and degree of consensus ascribed by administrators as a group and by teachers as a group for each criteria. The participants in the study included teachers and administrators who were active in regional professional education organizations of the 1984-85 school year. The organizations represented were: Texas Classroom Teachers Association, Texas State Teachers Association, Texas Federation of Teachers, Association of Texas Professional Educators, Texas Elementary Principals and Supervisors Association, and the Texas Association of Secondary School Principals.

These participants were representative of the educators throughout Texas and possessed the professional background and understanding necessary to be considered experts on the issues contained in the study.

In the spring of 1985, TEA conducted a similar job-relatedness survey in selected districts in Texas. When results were in, there was a revision by the State Board of Education's Committee on Personnel and in September, 1985, there was a review of work done to that time. The state began its pilot study in October of 1985. A public hearing was held February 6 and 8, 1986 and the mandated appraisal instrument and its system of administration were completed. In the summer of 1986, administrators, supervisors and other appraisers responsible for evaluating Texas teachers were trained in the use of the evaluation instrument.

The Appraiser's Manual for Texas Teacher Appraisal System contains the five identified domains. Domains I-IV are to be observed in the classrooms by the evaluators. Domain V is related to professional growth and responsibility of the educator. A sixth domain may be used by local school districts to include local evaluation criteria affecting contract renewal decisions, but cannot be used for career ladder assignments. The five areas agreed upon by the State Board of Education were instructional strategies, classroom management and

organization, presentation of subject matter, the learning environment, and professional growth and responsibilities.

Although Ballard's study is completed and although teachers and administrators did have an opportunity to participate, he feels that the State Board of Education should study the degree of acceptance and reaction of teachers and administrators to the Texas Teacher Appraisal System. Ballard says that the same basic problem exists in the Texas system that has existed in other states; that is, the improbability of all evaluators having equal ability to make objective judgments in regard to evaluation criteria used at all levels of the profession of education.

Gary W. Ballard is a graduate of East Lamar High School, Paris Junior College and East Texas State University. He received a Bachelor of Science degree in mathematics and biology in 1965 from ETSU, a Master of Science degree in mathematics and secondary and higher education from the same university in 1970. Since then, Dr. Ballard has earned mid-management and superintendent's certificates as well as the Ed. D. Ballard spent 19 years teaching in Lamar County. At East Lamar Elementary he taught seventh and eighth grades, coached basketball and served as grade school principal. He taught one year at North Lamar High School and 16 years for the Paris ISD (at Crockett and Paris High). He was director of Adult Education Classes in Paris for six years.

Dr. Ballard has served as president of the Paris Classroom Teachers Association, was a member of the State Board of Directors of the Texas Classroom Teachers Association, and was state chairman of the Professional Rights and Responsibilities Committee of TCTA. He is a life member of and has served as local president of the Texas State Teachers Association and served in other offices of that organization. Ballard is a member of the National Education Association and served as delegate to the NEA Convention in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Dr. Ballard is also a life member of Optimist International and has served as president of the Breakfast Optimist Club of Paris. He was the recipient of the Optimist Award for Spiritual Emphasis. He represented the North Texas District at the Op-

JV Pats Still Undefeated

By Eric Foster

The Junior Varsity girls made an impressive victory over the Commerce Lions last Tuesday, 41-21.

The girls, who never trailed in the game, in the first half outscored their opponent 23-6.

The second half started out precisely as the first. The third quarter ended with the girls on top 35-8. Yet, in the fourth quarter, the girls slacked off and started working on their offense.

The girls, with a commanding defense that racked up 21 steals led by Shiela Speir with ten, were led offensively by Amy Scudder with 20 points and seven rebounds and four steals, followed by Shiela Speir with six points, two rebounds and 10 steals.

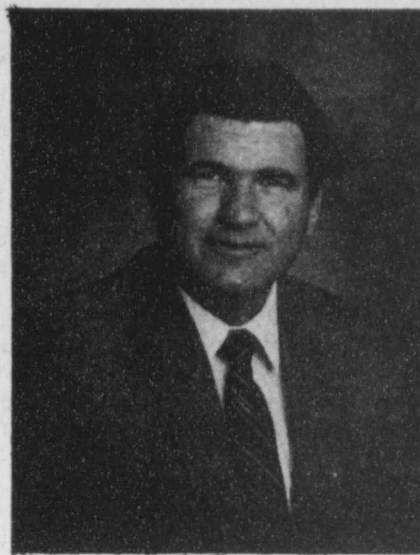
The win over the Lionettes brings the girls record to 4-0.

The girls will play this week in the Prairiland Tournament. Statistics for the game are: Amy Scudder, 20 points, 7 rebounds, 4 steals; Shiela Speir, 6 points, 2 rebounds, 10 steals; Tracy Smith, 5 points, 4 rebounds, one steal; Stephanie Upton, four points, 3 rebounds, 1 steal; Toni Dockray, 4 points, 2 rebounds, 2 steals; Tracy Ford, 1 rebound, 1 steal; Lisa Icenhower, 2 points, 2 rebounds, 2 steals.

timist International Convention in Toronto, Canada.

Presently, Dr. Ballard is the principal of Prairiland High School and serves as a member of the Small Schools Committee of the Texas Association of Secondary School Principals. He is a deacon and chairman of finance at the Immanuel Baptist Church in Paris. Recently Dr. Ballard served as the chairman of the committee that brought the World Wide Picture's film Cry From The Mountain to Paris. He now serves as a member of the committee to offer seminary extension courses to pastors and lay people in the Red River Valley Baptist Association.

On December 11, 1986, Dr. Ballard will serve as a consultant at the Campus Management Workshop in Ft. Worth. He is a consultant for Southeastern Educational Software of Atlanta, Georgia. Dr. Ballard and his wife, Gwen, have three children. Ginger is a senior computer programming major at the University of



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Texas at Tyler. Grant is a sophomore kinesiology major at Paris Junior College and Geramy is a fourth grader at Thomas Justiss Elementary School in Paris. The Ballards live in the Hopewell community near Sumner.

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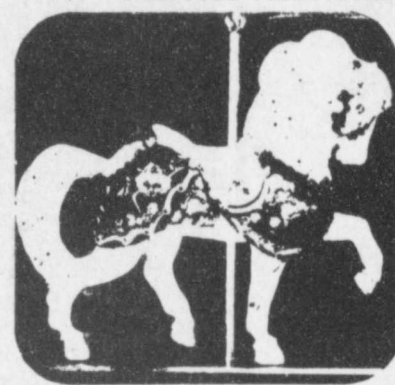
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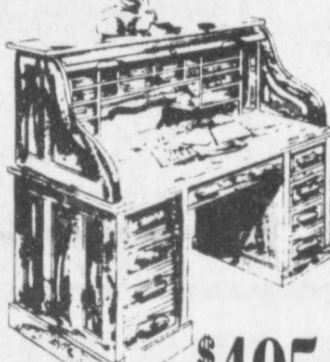
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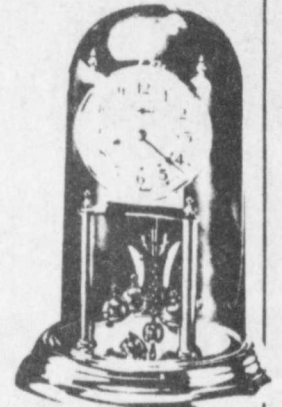
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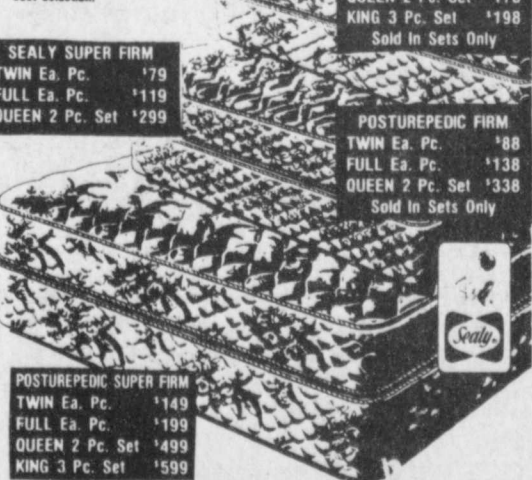
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MRS. DORA STIDHAM'S fourth grade class members display items for Friday's Christmas Bazaar at the school. Left to right are Trinity Bowden, Valerie Johnson and Stephen Swaim. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

Band, Choir To Perform Program

The Prairiland Band and the Prairiland Choral Club will perform December 18 at the high school gymnasium beginning at 7 p.m.

The band will present a Christmas medley of numbers, under the direction of Frank Garza.

The choir, under the direction of Rhonda Robbins, consists of 18 members and will perform a variety of songs to fit the theme "I Love Christmas".

Everyone is urged to come and enjoy an evening of music and song, and watch these talented kids perform.

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The Christmas edition will be out next week, and ads need to be placed by Tuesday noon.

Prairiland Honor Roll

These are the names for the Prairiland High School second six weeks honor roll.

Seniors: Eric Foster, Kent Richey, Richard Eatherly, Kenda Oliver, Terry Farmer, Jana Pennington, Aslyn Rodgers, Kathy Day, Tonyal McDonald, Tammy Birch.

Juniors: Tammy Ross, Melissa Larue, Regina Bazhaw, Lisa Misk, Cassidy Vickers, Craig Ladd, Melissa Dressler.

Sophomores: Wade Sparks, Jeff Akard, Kathy Brown, David Stevens, Alica Huffman, Tina Sheppard, Melissa Grissom, Jason Thomas, Kimberly Brown, Tammy Smith.

Freshmen: Cynthia Fagan, Susan Richey, Amanda Lewis, Kimberly Breer, Sheila Withers, Ronald Griffin, Wendy Anderson, Charles Kennedy.

Milton News

By Lillian Upchurch
 Mildred Millsbaugh visited patients at the Deport Nursing Home over the weekend.



VALERIA CHAPMAN, left and Kristy Oats recently were awarded special prizes for competing in pageants. Valeria was Midi-Miss and Kristy was Min-Miss. Kristy won second runner-up in modeling in the 4-5-6 year olds at PJC and at Mt. Pleasant she won a crown, banner and trophy for the Starlight Mini-Model and Most Photogenic and Special Events in the 4-5 year olds. She will participate in other competition in June. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

Matty Lu Upchurch was released from Baylor Hospital in Dallas on Saturday and we're happy to say she got an excellent report.

Mrs. Kay Parks, Timothy and Dale Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Holt, Christopher and Renea had lunch Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Holt.

Mrs. Virginia Meler of Irving has been visiting her mother, Mildred Millsbaugh while Mildred has been undergoing diagnostic tests. We all wish her well.

Mrs. Martha Johnson, mother of Dorothy Holt, has been re-admitted to St. Joseph's Hospital. We all wish her a speedy recovery. Dorothy, her father, Terry Johnson of Deport and her sister, Joyce Wilson, are taking turns staying with Mrs. Johnson until her condition improves.

The First Baptist Church of Deport will have their annual Christmas dinner on Saturday, December 13, beginning at 6:30 p.m. All members and friends are urged to attend and bring a covered dish. It will be held at the American Legion Hall in Deport.

Mrs. Dixie Walker reports her husband, Dixie, who is a patient at the Deport Nursing Home, is feeling better and we're all glad to know he's doing well.

Our sympathy to Mrs. Virgie Wright at the death of her daughter, Evelyn Beard of Dallas on Sunday morning.



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LOST-Red Rhodesian ridgeback male dog, approx. 50 lbs. with orange fluorescent collar. Lost in Fulbright area Nov. 28. Please call 674-5823. 1tnc

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ATTENTION trappers and hunters. We will be buying fur at these locations beginning December 6 and every Saturday after. Blossom Valley Mills Feed Store from 10 to 10:30; Detroit Luckie Supermarket, Hwy. 271 from 11:45 to 12:15; Bogata, Dean Ward's Super Save, 12:30 to 1 p.m.; Talco Supermarket, 1:30 to 2 p.m.

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FOR USE OF THE Bogata Community Center for reunions, meetings or parties, contact Carl Wood, 632-5882. MA tfc

CRUISE, DINE and DANCE to live band, aboard the Queen Maria Riverboat, Mt. Pleasant. Call 588-2982. MA tfc

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J&J TRADING POST paying top prices for old quilts, antique furniture, glassware, any collectible items. 632-4408, Bogata. MA tfc

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CALL ED THOMPSON at 632-5081 for carpenter work, plumbing, house painting, and electrical work. All work guaranteed. MA 7-10

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ALLEN'S FLORIST-Days, 652-2532; nights, 652-4191. Lucy Fowler in Cunningham, 652-5003; Mrs. Fred White in Bogata, 632-5888 or Barbara McDowra in Pattonville, 652-9723. MA tfc

HAY FOR SALE-Large round bales stored in barns, \$15 per bale. H. Drue Pirtle, 632-4201. MA tfc

HOUSE FOR RENT in Bogata. For sand and gravel call Murl Roach, 632-5853 or 632-3405. MA tfc

PRE-1955 collection of salt and pepper shakers for sale. Approx. 20-30 sets, \$150 for all. 966-2231 in the evenings.

FOR SALE-2,500 sq. ft. brick home. 900 sq. ft. 2 car garage. 22 acres, large pool, barn, sheds, pecan and pine trees, etc. 6 mi. east of Bogata just off FM 909. Donnie R. Williams 632-5631. MA tfc

FOR SALE-Three bedroom frame house. New roof, aluminum siding, garage, 1/2 acre shaded lot on corner of Hwy. 37 and 7th St. Call 632-4348 evenings after 6 p.m. MA tfc

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WANTED-Mature lady to care for elderly woman in Mt. Pleasant. Prefer person who can live in. Call 572-7176 or 572-2690. MA tfc

FOR SALE-Antique cabinet record player, also library table. Both in excellent condition. Call 966-2231, in Manchester, or 652-4205, Deport.

WILL DO BUSH HOG work and garden work. Call John Worth Hood at 632-4230. MA tfc

FUR BUYER will stop near the gin in Bogata on 37N, Wednesday, 10:30 til 11:00 a.m. J&L Fur Buyers, Bassett, TX, 543-8164. MA 1-1

FOR SALE-Mobile home in Deport. 2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath. Call 652-5256. MA tfc

FOR SALE-Three year old, two or three bedroom, screened front porch, enclosed back porch, garden, trees, fenced on 1/2 acre. Garrison Real Estate, 632-4500 or 632-4346. MA tfc

ROSALIE LODGE-No. 527 stated meeting on fourth Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. MA tfc

BOGATA AUTO and Equipment Sales. Buy-Sell-Trade. Across from First National Bank. 632-4284 or 632-4303. MA 12-11

FOR RENT-2 BR house. 2nd St. Northeast, Bogata. Call 632-5269 or 632-5752. MA 12-11

FOR SALE-One Bundy clarinet. One year old. Call 632-4103. MA 12-11

FOR SALE-Building lots in southwest Bogata. Call 632-5374. MA tfc

MEN'S 3-speed bike, like new; used Channel Master TV antenna, 40 ft. pole, rotary and booster. \$75.00 for all. Call 652-2677. MA 12-11

ROOFING-All types and all sizes. Free estimates and guaranteed work. Call 572-4595. MA 12-11

FOR SALE-Real Estate at Rosalie. 5 acres and up with excellent building sites, road frontage and utilities. Call Marion Mitchell at 632-5444. MA 12-11

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ELECTRICAL WORK-New construction and repair work. Commercial and residential wiring. Telephone and television cable wiring. Call Ronnie Burns at 632-4456 in Bogata. MA tfc

CUSTOM BARBEQUE-We will smoke your ham, turkeys, venison, briskets, etc. over hickory fire. Let us do your Christmas cooking. Call Ronnie Burns at 632-4456 or 632-5055 in Bogata. MA 12-18

FOR SALE in Bogata-Remodeled 6 room frame house with carport and storage shed. Near town. Price negotiable. 632-5661. MA tfc

FOR SALE-2-60 lb. pigs. \$50 each. Call 632-5458. MA 12-25

FOR INSTALLATION or change out of sets in touch tone or rotary dial system telephones, call Tommy Corbell at 632-5460. White, beige and ivory phones in stock. MA 12-18

FOR SALE-9-N Ford tractor with shredder and bedder. Call Harry Mitchell at 652-2782. MA 12-18

FOR ALL YOUR carpentry, painting, roofing and electrical needs, call Kenny Shelton at 379-5231. Quality work at reasonable prices. MA 12-18

HOME FOR SALE-Newly remodeled 3 bedroom frame home. Includes one car garage, fenced back yard. Must see to appreciate. Come by 901 Crawford or call 379-5231, Talco. \$24,800. MA 12-18

FOR SALE-1978 Charter travel trailer. 8x35 ft. Central heat and air. Not self-contained. See at 210 Patterson St. in Bogata. Call 722-3052 after 6 p.m. MA 12-18

TEMPLETON'S House Levelling and Foundation Repair. Free estimates. 214-785-8228 or 785-0080. MA 12-25

FOR SALE-1965 Massey-Ferguson tractor on butane. Good shape. Call Steve Knowles at 632-5329. MA 12-18

BY OWNER, 3-2-2 brick, large covered patio, sunken den with fireplace and vaulted ceiling, lots of trees, reduced to \$42,500, anxious to sell. Show by appointment, call after 6 p.m. 652-5388. 12-25

FOR SALE-Refrigerator, washer, dryer. Free puppies. Bobby Dickey, 632-4170. MA 12-25

THREE BEDROOM house for rent at 401 Hudson St. in Bogata. All utilities. Call 652-6765, Gus Bryant. MA 12-25

FOR RENT or lease: 85 acres, 3 miles east of Bogata on 909. 64 acres pasture, 21 acres coastal. Plenty of water. Call 817-382-0734. MA 12-25

BAUGHN'S Chimney Sweep and Sandblasting Service. Senior Citizens 20% discount. Terry Bryson, Blossom 982-5804 or 784-3671 after 6 p.m. MA 12-25

FREE! FREE! Puppies, eight weeks old. Take your choice. Excellent Christmas gift for child. Call 632-5803. MA 12-25

FOR SALE-Whole pecans, \$1 per pound or \$3 per pound, shelled. 526 S. Howison, Bogata. Call 632-5467. MA 12-25

FOR SALE-Zenith console radio, stereo and French Provincial overstuffed arm chair. Call Mabel Troutt at 632-5097. MA 12-25

FOR SALE-Used carpet, gold sculptured. Free pad. Call J.C. Watson at 632-5927. MA 12-25

REGISTERED POLLED Hereford bull with papers. 5 years old. Carl G. Baker, 632-5714. 12-25

ALL TYPES OF bricklaying, 10 years experience. Free estimates. Ask for Kirk Tanner, at 632-5056. MA 12-25

FOR SALE-Peafowls, 3 hens and 1 peacock broilers and fryers, ducks and geese. '81 Fairmont Ford station wagon (needs motor work). \$600.00 Call 632-4175. MA 12-25

Honorees Named By BPW

Shannon Spillman of Chisum High School, Dawn Naron of Paris High School and Donna Rae Vaughan of Paris Junior College have been selected as November honorees by the Paris Business and Professional Women's Club.

Mrs. Donald Vaughan, Rt. 1, Blossom has been named to the Fall 1985 Dean's Honor Roll at Paris Junior College and is a member of Phi Theta Kappa. She is a member of the Lady Dragons basketball team. She plans to major in math and chemistry at Texas A&M University.

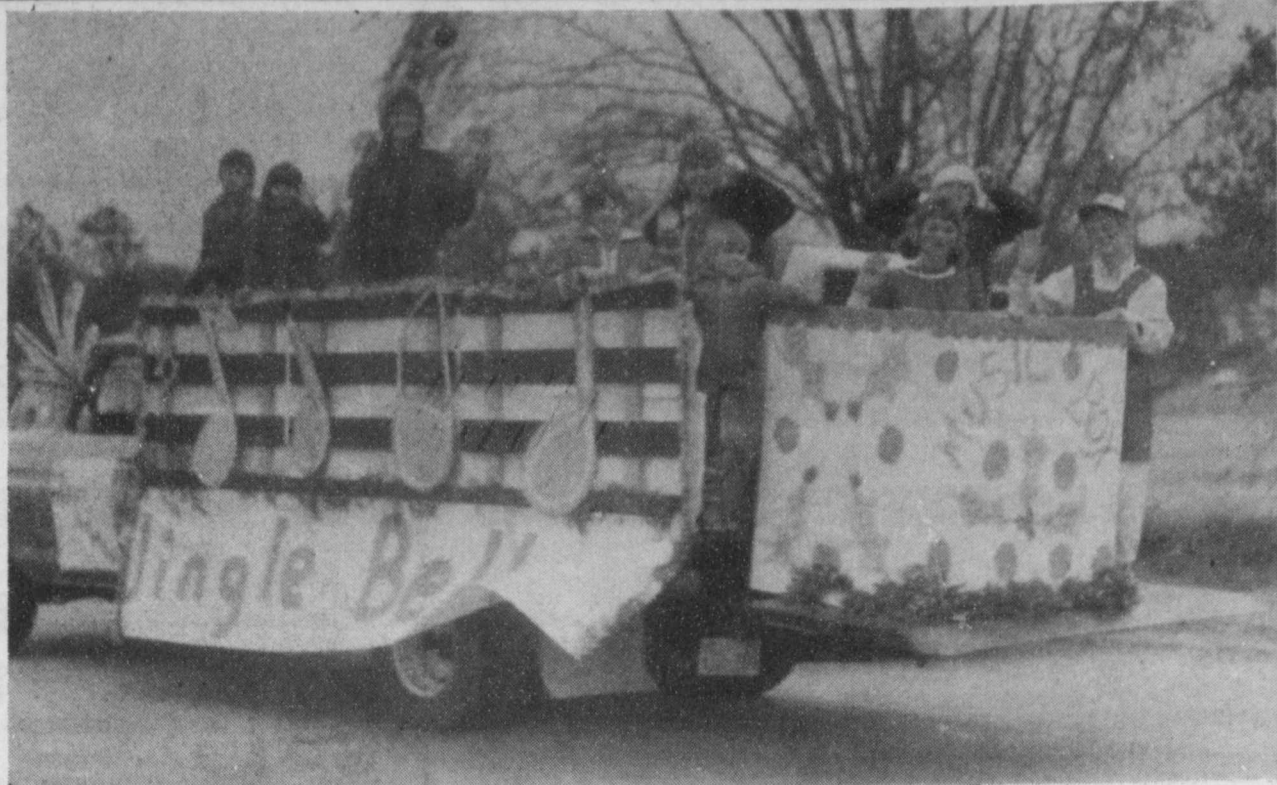
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ALLEN'S FLORIST
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RED OAK 4-H participated in the Paris Christmas Parade held Saturday, December 6. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

East Post Oak News

By Mrs. Howard Crawford
 My wish is that everyone had a nice Thanksgiving and everyone got home safely.

Mr. and Mrs. Danny Babb and sons Kevin and Kye of Tomball spent Thanksgiving with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Crawford and Mrs. Babb of Paris and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. James Prunty, Brent and Deana of Arlington and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Martinez of Greenville visited Mr. and Mrs. Steven Foste and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Crawford Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Shannon and children of Ft. Worth visited Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sutton over the Thanksgiving holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Butler Champion of Mt. Pleasant and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Stevens of Irving.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Ennis was called to Indiana of the death of his brother. Our sympathy goes to them.

Rev. Rodney Stevens of Henderson preached here Sunday and Sunday night. The church also had lunch at the church Sunday. A large crowd attended.

Mrs. Pattie Risinger and Mrs. Allie Rodgers of Mt. Olive visited Mr. and Mrs. Howard Crawford and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ramsey Sunday evening.

Mrs. Eula Mitchell of Cherry St. Nursing Home visited Mr. and Mrs. Preston Mitchell and Mr. and Mrs. Butler Stevens during the holiday.

Mrs. Roy Outland visited Mr. and Mrs. Howard Crawford Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Crawford of Mt. Pleasant and Mrs. Roy Outland spent Thanksgiving day with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Outland of Irving.

Blossom Honor Roll

Blossom Elementary and Junior High Honor Roll for Second Six Weeks 1986-87

Grade 1-1: Ms. Gerring
 Heath Carter, Joey Fields, Randi Hunt, Michael Johnson, Ben Miller.
 Grade 1-2, Mrs. Wright
 Jill Anderson, Morgan Cline, KaDonna Jackson, Jill Owens, John Schulz, Michael Spray, Heath Thomas.

Grade 2-1, Ms. Hargus
 Brad Osborne, Nicole Stewart.
 Grade 2-2, Mrs. Blackburn
 Jesse Allison, Angela Bounds, Jasper Clarkson, Stephen Hensley, Paige Lyon, Bubba Milam, Brian Mitchell, Brea Sessums, Lindsey Wright, Cassidy Titsworth.

Grade 3-1, Singleton
 Kerri Anderson, Gabe Harris, Michael Hoogie, Ashley Pope, Kimmie Tallant, Jessica Wadley.

Grade 3-2, Mrs. Stokes
 Rhett Fendley, Tara Misk, Angela Whitted.

Grade 4-1, Mrs. Howse
 Bryan Ausmus, Reigen Mitchell.

Grade 4-2, Mrs. Stidham
 Mandy Babb, Trinity Bowden, Kelly Cantrell, Brittney Ladd, Jamie Sue McLeroy.

Grade 5-2, Mrs. Sugg
 Justin Withers.

Grade 6-2
 Jonathan Jordan, Swede Ladd, Katie Mowery, Jan Scudder, Cathy Sugg.

Grade 7-1
 Amanda Oldrack, Leslie Pope.

Grade 7-2
 Marla Moss, Suzanne Clement, Suzette Clement.

Grade 8-1
 Amy Milford, Elicia St. John, Chris Sturch.

Grade 8-2
 Jimmie Branham.

Blossom Housing Happenings

By Aileen Herron and Lossie Vickers

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Vickers visited Lossie Vickers Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Johnston, Chad and Ashley visited Aileen Herron Saturday.

Dorothy Wilson and Francis Ray went shopping in Paris Friday. Dorothy's company last week was Freeman Bailey from Marlin, Vera Cole from Ft. Worth and Mary Helen Allen visited Sunday night.

Georgia Clark with her daughter, Mary Reves, attended home decoration party at the home of Martha Smith in Paris.

Agnes Miller with her grandson visited her mother, Cecil Carter, Saturday. Mrs. Carter had lunch with Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Donn Carter and family at Reno Sunday.

Francis Rains and Kathryn Jones went to Dallas shopping and visited a friend who was ill last week. Irene Glover visited Cecil Carter last week.

Lossie Vickers, Aileen Herron with Mildred York went shopping in Paris Thursday.

Morene Brdley with Inez Luttrell went shopping in Paris Wednesday. Leona McDowell visited her Friday.

Ruby Dickerson visited Mr. and Mrs. Butch Dennis in Sulphur Springs over the weekend and they went shopping in Dallas.

Carl Westmorland, Mr. and Mrs. Hskell Booth visited Mabel Parker Friday night and played 42. Mabel Parker with Minnie Lee Shands went shopping in Clarksville Saturday. James Jackson spent Thursday night with Mabel Parker.

Billie Bates visited her mother, Mrs. Rhoda Lee Friday. Lisa Bolton spent Saturday night with her grandmother, Rhoda Lee.

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DEPORT Second graders decorated the lunchroom for the

holidays. They were assisted by the other elementary classes. (Staff Photo)



I have been taking the paper for 30 years and will take it as long as I live. I also sent it to James Earl when he was in World War II, then sent to him when he lived in Midland, so now he lives in Dallas and I live with him since I lost my daughter in May. He still reads it. I don't know what I would have done since I've been here six years without the paper. Grade McHam



"At the voice of thy cry: when he shall hear it, he will answer thee."
 Isaiah 30:19cd

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