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By Nanalee Nichols

"Do YOU have an answer for these questions?"

Tom Harris, Advertising and Sales Manager at Paris Lumber Company called me Saturday morning. I was really flattered, because he said "You're about the only person I know who might know the answer to this question"

Of course, I immediately couldn't answer the question he asked...but perhaps you can.

Question: Where did the expression Mind Your P's and Q's come from?

Somewhere in the junk that floats around in what I call a mind the idea that it had something to do with learning to write in cursive surfaced, but I could only tell him that MIGHT be it.

So, if you know Tom, tell him, why you mind p's and q's are please call me and tell me. I really, really need to know, because I've looked through every book I have and can't find out. I've questioned every person I've come in contact with...no luck. My number is 652-4205 at work, or call me at home. I want to know!

Another thing to consider. Is it a ritual of turtlehood for young turtles to try and cross the highway in spring?

Sunday, on the way to Paris we saw the first three turtles making that slow motion turtle-dash across the perilous roadway.

Sadly, as always, on the way back we saw the shattered shells of two of the three.

It happens every spring time. Dozens of turtles trying to cross dirt or gravel roads, Farm to Market Roads or the highways.

They scramble, get flipped on their backs and crushed in pitiful numbers. Why?

Is it written in the book of Turtle Life that all shall cross in springtime? Are they moving from one home to another? Are they in search of love. If so, they are definitely looking for love in all the wrong places, because those highways are taking their toll!

Anyway, most of all I want to know why one minds p's and q's!

Help me please, before I go nuts!

Deport Ball Assn. holding hamburger supper and auction

Don't forget the Deport Baseball Association is holding their annual Hamburger Supper and Auction March 21, 1997.

It will run from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Deport Elementary/Junior High Cafeteria. MPrices will be \$4 for adults, \$3 for children. The meal will feature hamburgers, chips, desserts and all the "fixins".

Anyone wanting to donate anything for the auction would be greatly appreciated.

Anyone with questions can call Chad Barnes at 652-4909 or Mendy Nichols at 652-5002.



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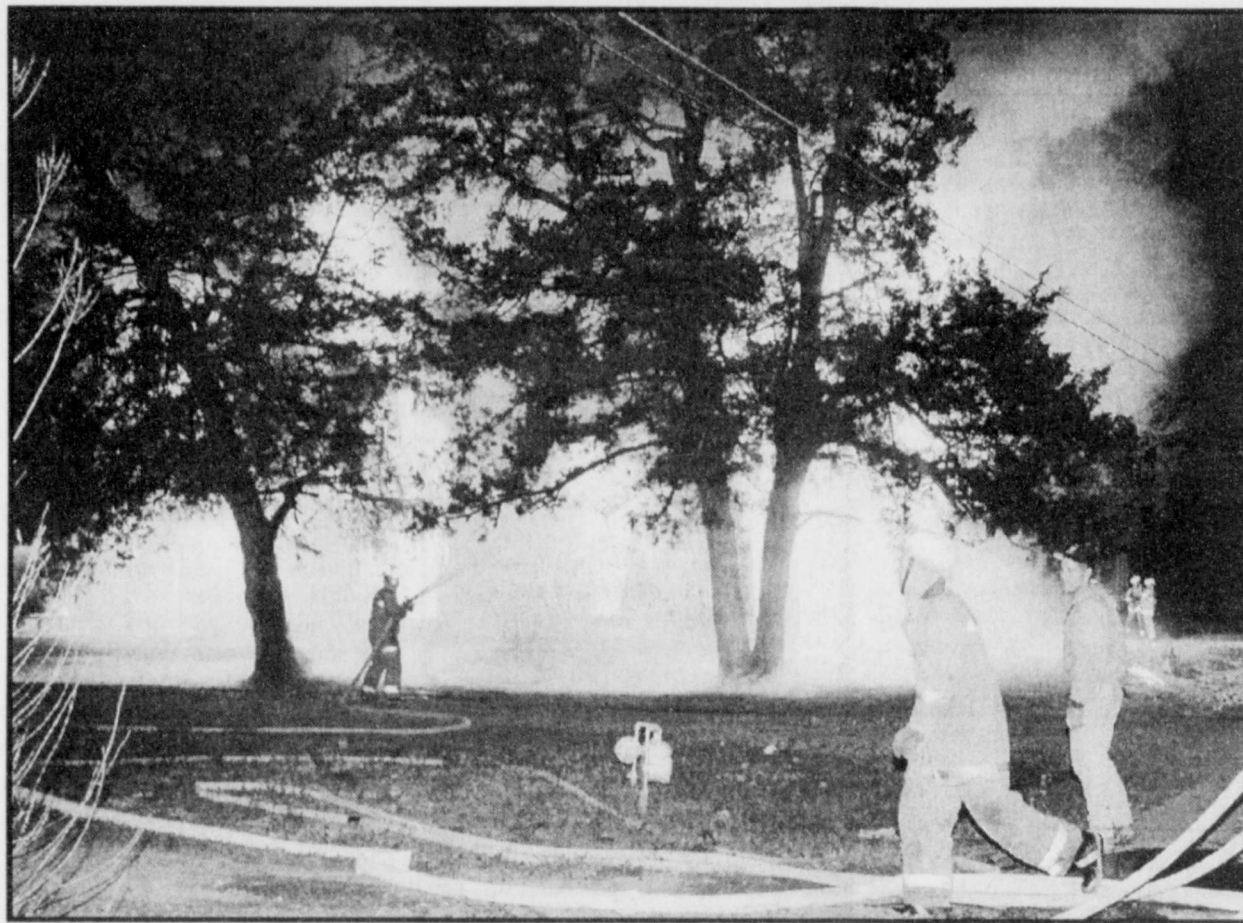
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DEPORT, LAMAR COUNTY, TEXAS

Thursday, March 13, 1997

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THE HOME OF Mike and Gina Borders was already engulfed in flames before the fire was discovered about 3:00 a.m. Saturday, March 8. Deport Volunteer Firemen responded to the fire, which totally destroyed the two story house. Also destroyed was a 1994 Chevrolet Camaro. A boat was also damaged. Firemen managed to drag a pickup truck out of the way, and concentrated efforts on saving the adjacent house, which was threatened. Pattonville VFD also responded to the call. The family was not at home at the time of the blaze. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)



STEAMING GROUND surrounds two Deport Volunteer Firemen as they pour water on the side of a two story house destroyed by fire in the early hours of Saturday, March 8. The fire was so hot that moisture-laden ground sent up steam. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)

Report suspected drug activity to DPS toll-free

If you have information about illegal drug trafficking anywhere in Texas, the Department of Public Safety would like to hear from you.

Beginning March 1, you can help fight illegal drug sales in Texas by calling the DPS toll-free at 1-800-525-5555 to report suspected drug activity anywhere in the state. A headquarters communications officer in Austin will relay your information to the appropriate Highway Patrol or Narcotics officer in your area.

If you believe a drug shipment is being transported, provide the dispatcher with as much information as possible about the vehicle its location, direction of travel and license plate number. If the drugs are being stored at a building or residence, provide the location and any available information about when the drugs

might be moved.

Please contact your local police or sheriff's department if you would like to report individuals possessing small quantities of marijuana or other drugs.

The main DPS 1-800 number also may be used to report erratic or drunken drivers or to seek assistance if you become stranded on the highway. When calling for these purposes, make sure to pinpoint your location and direction of travel using mile markers, crossroads or other landmarks.

To report marijuana under cultivation, contact the DPS Narcotics Service at 1-800-868-6274.

For a recorded sound bite on this topic, call 512-424-2606.

Read about DPS on-line at <http://www.txdps.state.tx.us>.

Cunningham Baptist to hold Spaghetti Supper and Silent Auction

The Cunningham Baptist will hold a spaghetti supper and silent auction on March 22nd beginning 6:30 p.m. at the church Fellowship Hall.

The meal will not be charged for by the plate, but donations are welcome.

Proceeds will go to send the youth group to Eureka Springs in June.

Deport Easter Egg Hunt coming up soon

Don't forget the upcoming Deport Community Egg Hunt, Saturday, March 29 beginning at 11:00 a.m.

There will be lots of eggs and prizes and an appearance by the Easter Bunny.

Deport American Legion to meet tonight

There will be an American Legion Meeting this Thursday night, March 13, at 7:00 p.m. All members are urged to attend.

People 'n Things

Reminder for Deport Baseball Association coaches and parents...there will be a clean up day March 22 starting at 7:00 am.

Please come help get the new field ready.

Anyone with photographs of Deport from the turn of the century into the 1950s and 60s should contact Tom Webb at 784-3222 after 5:00 p.m. He would like to make copies and would return all photos unharmed.

Pattonville VFD is holding a **breakfast Saturday, March 15th** from 7 to 10:00 AM. All you can eat, \$4.00 at the Pattonville Community Center.

Pattonville VFD will hold a **dance on Friday, March 14th** beginning at 7:00 PM at the Pattonville Community Center.

All softball officials; plan to attend the Southwest Softball Officials Association Mechanics Class to be held in Mt. Vernon on Sunday, March 23 at the girls softball field behind the school beginning at 2:30 p.m. The class will cost \$1.00 per person and will teach ways to make calls and other important instruction for softball officials. For more information contact Johnny Rutledge, Dixie Girls District Director of Mt. Pleasant.

Prairiland Booster Club will hold a meeting on Tuesday, March 18 in the Prairiland Cafeteria beginning at 6:00 p.m. All interested parents and members are urged to attend.

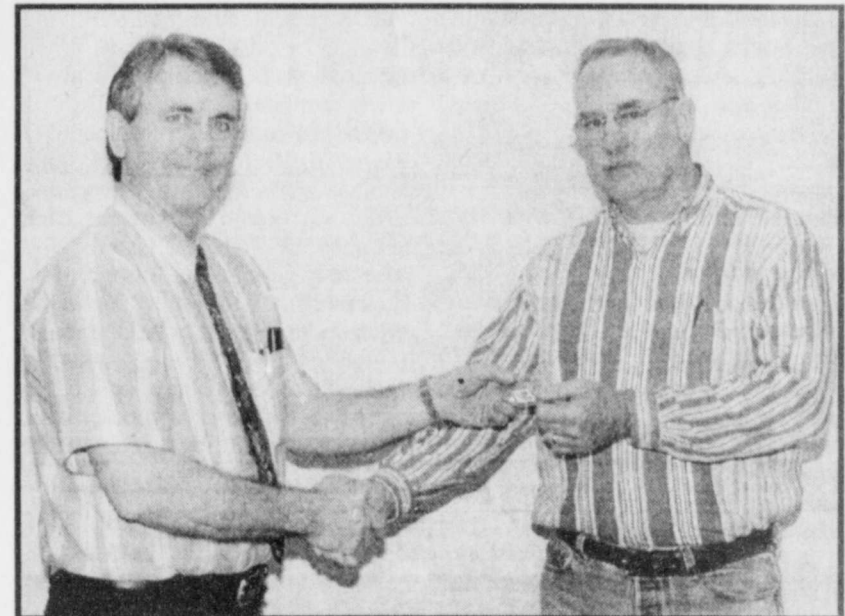
Project Graduation set for Prairiland

A Hamburger Supper has been set to raise funds for Project Graduation for the senior class at Prairiland.

The event will be held on Saturday, March 22 at the Prairiland School Cafeteria at 5:00. Cost will be a \$4.00 donation for adults and

\$2.50 for children. This include hamburger, chips, drink and dessert.

Following the supper, a show with area talent being highlighted will begin at 6:30 with a cake and pie auction to be held shortly after. Door prizes will also be awarded and a concession stand will also be available.



AWARD-Elvin R. Bell, Rural Carrier for the Deport Post Office was presented a pin in recognition of his accumulating over 1,000 hours of sick leave. Mr. Bell went to work on December 7, 1985 at the Deport Office. Post Master Joe Thompson, (left) presented the pin to Mr. Bell saying that "the office is very fortunate to have an individual like Elvin as the rural carrier for the Deport Post Office." (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)



STATE-WIDE AWARD Amber Thompson McQuatters displays the Greg Schneider Award for Set Design and the mock up of the set for "Moon Over Buffalo" a play presented by Paris Junior College at Tarleton University recently. Amber and her co-designer captured the prestigious award during competition there. The PJC Drama group also captured 8 other awards. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)

Locals in award-winning play

Amber Thompson McQuatters, former Deport resident and Prairiland High School Graduate has captured a prestigious award in Drama.

Amber and Chadrick Turbyfill, co-designers of the set for PJC Drama Department's recently presented play "Moon Over Buffalo" have received the Greg Schneider Award for 1997. This is a state-wide award.

The PJC Drama Department competed in the State Play Festival at Tarleton State University in Stephenville recently, and won a number of awards in addition to the Award that McQuatters and Turbyfill won.

Jo Lin Funderburg received a Double Superior for Costume Design, Stacy Lesson-Ray received Double Superior for Excellent Acting; James Perry Gibson received Excellent in Sound Design; Crystal McFadden, Excellent in Make-Up Design; Janet Adams, Excellent in Acting; Turbyfill and McQuatters also received Double Superior in Set

Design and Turbyfill received Superior in Acting. The group received a Superior Overall Rating for the entire play production.

Amber says that they designed and built the set in three weeks, and were really pressed for time.

The cast consisted of Chadrick Turbyfill as Howard; Tonya Yeager as Eileen; Jo Lin Funderburg as Roz; Ian Cory Drake as Paul; Joseph Adams as Richard Maynard; Stacy Leeson-Ray as Charlotte Hay; David Holland as George Hay; Janet Adams as Ethel.

Crew consisted of Jay Hancock as Stage Manager; Ben Cecil, Amber McQuatters and Crystal as Assistant Directors; Amber McQuatters Head Painter; Ben Cecil, Head Light; James Perry Gibson, Head Sound; Amber McQuatters, Supervision of Construction and Head Set Design; Stacy Leeson-Ray and Jo Lin Funderburg as Costume Heads and Robert Wooten ad Bart Bennefield.

Director of the play was John Wright.

Classes will resume on all three campuses of the Prairiland ISD on Monday, morning, March 17.

There will be a meeting of the Project Graduation Committee on Monday, March 17 at 6:00 p.m. in the Prairiland School Cafeteria. All interested person are urged to attend.

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Obituaries



Country Cooking

If there is someone you'd like to see in the Country Cooking column, call 982-5829. Look for us on the internet!

Liz Irwin

<http://www.1starnet.com/tp>

Our Cook's Column this week deals with the lowly tea leaf. Many a problem have been worked out over a cup of tea or glass of iced tea.

Tea is a beverage prepared by pouring boiling water over processed tea leaves. It ranks as the most popular drink in more countries than any other beverage.

India has always played a dominate role in world tea production. Today, India produces about 1-1/2 billion pounds each year. China is the second largest producer with 1 billion pounds annually. Other tea-producing countries include Argentina, Bangladesh, Indonesia, Japan, Kenya, the Soviet Union, Sri Lanka and Turkey.

The tea-producing countries themselves consume over one-half of the global tea crop. Great Britain imports the greatest amount of tea—about 400 million pounds annually. On the average, about 7 pounds of tea are consumed per person each year in Great Britain. In the United States, tea is about 3/4 of a pound per person per year.

There are three main kinds of tea; black, green and oolong. They differ in the method used to process the leaves. The processing takes place in

a factory or near the tea estate. All tea-producing countries manufacture black tea. Most of the green and oolong tea comes from China, Japan and Taiwan.

Grades of tea vary according to the size of the leaves. The largest leaves are selected for packaging as loose tea and are classified in order of size—orange pekoe, pekoe and pekoe souchong. The smaller or broken leaves are generally used in tea bags and are classified as broken orange pekoe, broken orange pekoe fannings and fannings.

Instant tea is made by brewing tea on a large scale and then removing the water by a drying process. When the process is completed, only a powder remains.

Tea grown in different countries or even in different parts of the same country, vary in taste, flavor and quality. To obtain the best teas, each company employs tea taster's who select only certain teas for purchase. The company then sells the blend of tea under its own brand name.

Thus ends your tea lesson for the week. So sit back, brew up a batch and solve the world's problems or just your own! See you in the kitchen!

March 13, 1997
Tea Recipes

Apricot Tea Mix
1-18 ounce orange breakfast drink mix
1 cup sugar
1/2 cup pre-sweetened lemonade mix
1/2 cup instant tea
1-3 ounce package apricot jello
2-1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
1 teaspoon ground cloves
Mix all ingredients and store in airtight container. To serve, dissolve 1-1/2 to 2 tablespoons of mix in 1 cup of boiling water. Makes 4-4-1/2 cups of mix.

Cranberry Tea
1 quart cranberry juice
1-6 ounce can orange juice
1-6 ounce can lemonade
2 cups sugar
1 package red hot candies
1 stick cinnamon
12 cloves
Mix all ingredients together in a saucepan. Boil mixture for 7-8 minutes. Strain and store. Use 2 cups water to 1 cup concentrate. Heat and serve. For a large party, use an electric coffee urn. This tea stays hot and is easy for guests to help themselves. Serves 30.

Friendship Tea
1-8 ounce jar Tang
1/2 cup instant tea
1/2 cup boiling water
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
1/2 cup dry lemonade mix
1/2 cup red hot candies
1-3 ounce package apricot jello
Mix and store in tightly-covered jar. To make one cup of tea, put 3 teaspoons of mix in a boiling cup of water and stir.

Peach Hot Drink Mix
2 large packages peach jello
1 small package peach jello
1/2 cup Tang
1 cup instant tea mix with lemon and sugar
Mix and store. To serve, use 2-3 teaspoons to a cup of hot water.

Russian Tea
1/2 cup tea
2 sticks cinnamon
1 teaspoon whole cloves
1 gallon water
3 cups sugar
2 grapefruit
3 lemons
3 oranges
Tie tea, cinnamon and cloves in a sack and boil in water for 3-4 minutes. Add sugar and stir. Just before serving, add grapefruit, lemon and orange juice. Serves 25 people.

Texas Spiced Tea
2 ounces instant tea with Nutrasweet
2 small packages lemonade Koolaid
1-2.2 ounce can orange Crystal Light
1 teaspoon ground cloves
1-1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
Mix all dry ingredients together. Store in an air-tight jar. To serve, use 1 scant teaspoon of mix per cup with very hot water. Stir.

Tea With a Twang
2 cups Tang
2 cups instant tea w/lemon and sugar
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1 teaspoon cloves
5 cups boiling water
2-1/2 cups cranberry juice
Combine Tang, tea, cinnamon and cloves in a large jar and shake. To serve, mix 1 cup tea mixture with boiling water. Add cranberry juice. Heat and serve warm. Serves 10.

*Don't walk in front of me,
I may not always follow.
Don't walk behind me,
I may not always lead.
Just walk beside me
and be my friend.*

Ruby Holbert dies Feb. 26th

Services for Holbert of Lubbock were held Feb. 26th in W.W. Rix chapel with the Rev. Alan Korinix officiating.

She died Monday, Feb. 24, 1997 in Methodist Hospital.

She was born in Cunningham, April 30, 1911 to Harvey Corrie (Reece) Oglesby.

She graduated from Cunningham High School.

She married Walter L. Holbert on June 26, 1937. He died January 15, 1982.

They moved to Lubbock from Paris, Texas in 1949 where they had operated grocery stores.

She later worked Dunlaps. She was a Methodist.

Survivors include a son, Charles R. Holbert of Denton, a daughter, Nelda Hovden of Lubbock, a sister, Emma Harrison of Paris, Texas; five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Grandsons served as casket bearers.

Worth Seaman dies February 5

Worth Seaman, 78, of Georgetown, passed away on February 5.

He was born in Red River County, Texas, on March 23, 1918, the son of George and Vannie (Craddock) Seaman. He was raised in the Methodist Church. As a veteran of the U.S. Army he served in the Pacific Theater during World War II. He then began his career with the Texas Department of Public Safety, retiring in 1980 as Service Commander of Motor Vehicle Theft.

Survivors include his wife of 54 years, Doloris Seaman of Georgetown; his sons and daughters-in-law, Gary and Anne Seaman of Los Angeles and Joel and Loren Seaman of Leander, his daughter, Sharon Lockhart of Weir, his brother, Jack Seaman of Greenville, and his sister, Joyce Clark of Carrollton. He is also survived by 10 grandchildren and three great grandchildren and many other loving relatives and friends.

Services were held at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, February 8, in the Colonial Chapel of Cook-Walden Funeral Home with Dr. Jim Haskell officiating. Burial was in Cook-Walden Capital Parks.

Mr. Seaman was preceded in death by his parents and sister, Dixie Seaman and Grandparents, Dr. and Mrs. Van Dorn Craddock of Bogata.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Texas State Troopers Disaster Fund or Thomas Park (of Bogata)

Lester S. Bankhead dies March 4

Lester S. Bankhead died March 4 at Odessa Medical Center Hospital.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. on March 7 in Harkey Funeral Home Chapel in Monahans with the Rev. Gordon Cox officiating. Burial followed in Monahans Memorial Cemetery.

Mr. Bankhead was born November 1, 1928 in Franklin County. He married the former Robbie Necia Morgan on August 23, 1947. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Lester S. Bankhead III (Butch) of Imperial; three daughters, Zondra Diehl of Monahans, Donna Wilson of Hobbs, NM and Carla Woods of Midland; two sisters, Rebecca Nelson and Dorothy Messer, both of Pittsburg; seven nieces and nephews and 10 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Helen Black dies March 5

Helen Black, age 91 of McLean died Wednesday, March 5.

Services were held at 3:00 p.m. Friday at the McLean United Methodist Church with the Rev. Thacker Haynes, pastor, officiating. Burial was at 4:00 p.m. Saturday at Highland Cemetery in Deport.

Mrs. Black was born in Deport on June 19, 1905, the daughter of Henry and Ida Webb. She attended public schools in Deport and completed two years of study at the College of Industrial Arts. She married Robert Eades Black of Blossom in 1925 and they moved to McLean in 1927.

She taught in Rosalie and Blossom, then first grade at McLean until 1929 and subsequently substituted. She taught private speech lessons for a number of years and was active in the McLean Public Library. She wrote a weekly column for the McLean News in the 1940's. She was a member of the Methodist Church and of the Pioneer Study Club.

She was invited by the president of Texas Women's University to visit the school and permit the president to view her book of mementoes she had collected.

Survivors include one son, Robert Duane Black of the home; one daughter, Mrs. Larry (Jan) Edwards of Albuquerque, NM; a brother, Mac Webb of Deport; a sister, Mrs. F.L. (Ruth) Haberle of Jacksonville; four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Brandon Haynes Dudley dies March 6

Brandon Haynes of Duncanville died March 6.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Sunday, March 9 at the First United Methodist Church in Duncanville with the Rev. Clayton Oliphant officiating. Interment followed in Little Bethel Memorial Park in Duncanville under the direction of David Clayton & Sons Funeral Home.

He was born February 5, 1968. A 1986 graduate of Duncanville High School and was employed with True Green-Chemlawn.

Survivors include his parents, Linda and Rodger Dudley; sister and brother-in-law, Connie and Randy Risner; brother and sister-in-law, Mark and Jacque Dudley; nephew Michael Dudley, nieces Cortney, Katie and Kelcie Risner; grandparents, Dorothy Haynes and Lois and Claudie Dudley of Deport; many aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

Oma Holloway Chambers dies March 7

Oma Holloway Chambers, age 100 of Kansas City, formerly of Paris, died Friday, March 7 in San Antonio.

Funeral services were held at 3:00 p.m. Saturday, March 8 at the First United Methodist Church of Kansas City and graveside rites were conducted at 10:00 a.m. Monday, March 10 at Evergreen Cemetery with Rev. Ray Starnes officiating. Fry-Gibbs Funeral Home had charge of local arrangements.

Mrs. Chambers was born August 9, 1896 in Dodd City, a daughter of the late Walter E. and Clara Shaffer Holloway. She was a retired school teacher and a member of the First United Methodist Church of Paris.

Survivors include a daughter, Clareda Purser of Karnes City; a son, David Holloway Chambers of Ft. Worth; four grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, David Cheatem Chambers; a brother, Orville Holloway; and a sister, Vista Caldwell.

Fulbright News
By Betty Rodgers
652-6051

Clovis and Katy VanDeaver attended the play of games of Rivercrest High School at Mt. Pleasant, Gilver and Tyler.

Betty Rodgers, Jimmie King, Raymond Dugger Jr. and Clovis and Katy VanDeaver attended the revival at Bogata First Baptist Church.

Clovis and Katy VanDeaver attended the wedding of their granddaughter, Shanna Harrison to Michael James in Kennard on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Duane King spent last Wednesday with Jimmie King. Mrs. Kyle King of Reno visited Jimmie King.

Dicky King of Paris visited his mother, Jimmie King Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kyle King, Shelley and Travis came for Jimmie King Saturday and took her out for dinner. Thursday night the community

club met in the home of Mrs. Ethel Epps with seven members present to start work on the community year book.

Betty Rodgers, Monte and Shely Rodgers spent the weekend in Boyd with Mrs. Bernice Thomas. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cremeen in Springtown.

Mr. and Mrs. McCarley are moving into their home here. They are from Ft. Worth.

Mrs. Ethel Epps and her niece and nephew of Paris visited her sister in Clarksville Friday night, Bernice Conlan.

The school children are out having a great time this week during spring break.

Marcella Wright visited the Bob Mitchell's and Betty Rodgers Monday afternoon. Melissa Arriaga visited Monday night.

Card Of Thanks
A special "Thank You" to everyone for the many calls, cards, flowers, gifts, prayers and visits while I was in the hospital and since I have been home.

Bonnie Huddleston

Card Of Thanks
The family of Wretha Watkins would like to thank the many friends for the prayers, flowers, donations, cards, visits and calls during the loss of our loved one.

A special thanks to Brother and Mrs. Robertson, Brother and Mrs. Bush, James Wood and to those who served in many ways.

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Kathryn Little saluted as Green Thumb worker at PISD

Kathryn Little, an employee on the Prairiland High School campus is being highlighted this week as a worker for the Green Thumb program. A familiar face around the campus, Mrs. Little began her career in the high school cafeteria. Three years later she transferred to the library. Some of her duties include checking books and magazines, help-

ing students locate sources, watering plants, cleaning, etc. When asked if she enjoys her job, Mrs. Little noted that it was "good for her mentally, physically and financially." She works two days a week from 8:00 until 3:30. Mrs. Little has lived in Taylortown for 28 years. For over thirty years, Green Thumb, Inc. has operated the Senior

Community Service Employment Program which provides the nation's seniors with part-time employment and training opportunities. areas of 132 Texas counties, Green Thumb has given older economically-disadvantaged jobseekers the opportunity of sharing their years of experience, hard work, and dedication through local community service employment and training projects. As viable manpower resources for their community-based organizations, participants maintain their independence as productive members of society. Funded through the U.S. Department of Labor, the program's emphasis upon training allows program participants to transition back into private sector employment.

Each year Hire the Older Worker Week spotlights the contributions our seniors bring to the labor force and encourages employers to profit from their skills, abilities and experience.

According to Diane Cowan, program Director, "During this important week, March 9 through 15, let us recognize and highlight the work force contributions of our seniors while we strengthen our commitment to assuring that we invest in their talents and resourcefulness as productive partners in tomorrow's future."

Green Thumb, Inc., encourages employees to utilize the skills and abilities of seniors for their job openings not only during HIRE THE OLDER WORKER WEEK, MARCH 9 THROUGH 15, but every other week. Hiring experienced, dependability, reliability and dedication is good business!

For more information regarding senior employment and training opportunities, contact Green Thumb, Inc., P.O. Box 7898, Waco, Texas, 76714, 817-776-4081.



(Staff Photo by Jan Tyson)

KATHRYN LITTLE serves as the Green Thumb employee on the Prairiland campus.



CALF SCRAMBLE WINNERS: Rusty Campsey and Wyatt Vickers of Blossom and Josh Stapleton of Paris were winners in the calf scramble event at the 48th Annual San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo. Campsey and Vickers are students at Prairiland High School. Pictured are, from left: Joe Ernst, calf scramble committee chairman; Campsey, Vickers and Stapleton; and Jill Newton, calf scramble committee member. The contest was sponsored by H-E-B.

Security applications luncheon slated

Business owners/managers, supervisors and human resource personnel are invited to attend a program and luncheon on Tuesday, March 18 at 12 noon in the Holiday Inn of Paris.

Speaker will be Eugene J. Joyce, certified protection professional, who will include security from a physical,

electronic and management area; adequate vs. inadequate security; risk exposure and crime frequency; including vulnerability; fire safety in commercial office buildings.

Registration is requested before March 17.

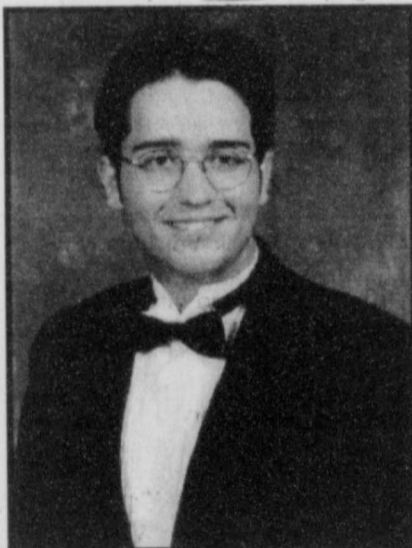
Clarkson awarded presidential scholarship

Jasper R. Clarkson, senior at Prairiland High School, has been awarded a Presidential Scholarship to Southern Arkansas University, Magnolia. The scholarship has a four year value of over \$17,000 and includes resident tuition as a full time student and room and board in the University residence halls.

Clarkson is a member of the Na-

tional Honor Society, U.I.L. Science Team, Math Team, U.I.L. Debate Team, the Four States Band, the Marching Band, the Concert Band and the Jazz Band.

Clarkson plans to major in chemical engineering. He is the son of Randle and Lesa Clarkson of Blossom.



Jasper Clarkson

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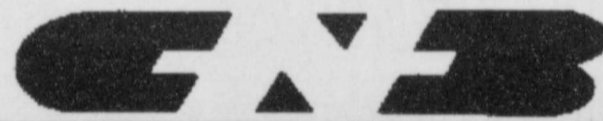
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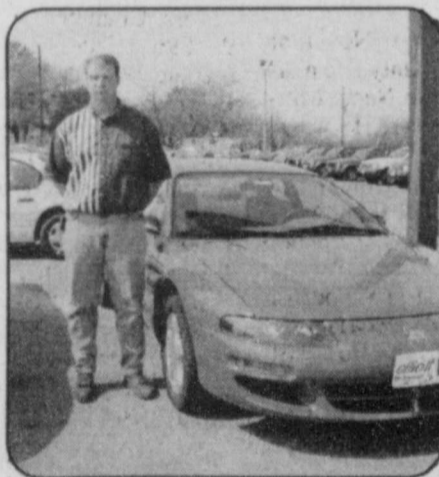
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The New Creations Quartet was organized in 1971 and is one of the West Coast's longest established Southern Gospel groups. With this unique style, lives are touched as a resurging commitment is pledged to

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Bill McClain, Butch Brown, Tim Callon, Dave Skipworth and Everett Evans make up the New Creations and recognized their first release, "He'll Lift You Up" on Mark V's Heart*Look Label in the Spring of 1996.

For more information contact 903-982-6777.



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Do you need to reapply annually?

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Cunningham News

By Carol Jean Williams

Lou Hatfield Call 652-6792

The community extends its sympathy to the family of Neal and Ann Baker in the loss of her mother, Mrs. Boyd of Corsicana.

Jane O'Neal, Murray and Sue Jackson spent the weekend in Kansas City with David and Cathy Jackson.

Francis Thomas picked Norman and Rachel Sain up Saturday for a visit in Joliet. They had dinner with Francis Thomas, and Mr. and Mrs. George Green. Sunday afternoon Francis Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. George Green and Virginia Bell visited with Norman and Rachel. Ollie Ruth Carl Bufford and June Guthrie ate supper with Norman and Rachel on Monday.

Buddy Pynes spent Saturday with his mother, Loretta Pynes. They went shopping.

Laytner and Zack Kennedy spent Saturday night with Bobby and Shelby Kennedy. Zack spent Sunday night with them.

Callie and Rudy Carrasco have been visiting family and friends in Minter. They visited Russell, Mary Helen, Johnny and Kathy Whitney and family Monday.

James and Pat Norwood, Buddy Taylor, Leslie, Paula, Justin, and Jenifer Taylor, Billy Ray, Neva Jean, Brandon and Georgina Oats, Amber and Spur Norwood, Cyde Elmer, Jerri Dale and Chance Bankhead, Edd and Sandra Burke, Neal, Jason Baker, Ronnie, Shannon Baker went to Austin to the boys state basketball finals.

Lillian King came to Leonard and Billie Fords to spend the week. Carol

Bobby, Ashley, Jason, Anna and Daniel Arrington from Gilmer spent the day Sunday. Ryan and Marissa Kinde of Gilmer spent the day Sunday. Kay Lynn Ford left Sunday morning for a skiing trip in Colorado. Joyce and Haley Yazell visited Billie Ford at school Friday and ate lunch with her, they spent the night Friday night with Leonard and Billie.

Kathren Sugg is the proud grandmother of a new granddaughter, born Wednesday, named Taylor Lynne Sugg. Sue and Charles David were here for the weekend. They visited his mother, Lucille Crafton in the Paris Health Center. Kathren Sugg attended the funeral of David Campbell Monday. Josh Gordon, son of Mike and Audrey Gordon of Minter underwent bone marrow transplant recently. He is now in intensive care in a Dallas hospital.

Burl Dean Watson was honored with a birthday dinner Saturday. All his family was present.

Amy Hicks will have surgery in Dallas Wednesday.

Bill and Shirley Page are expecting Kaci Brehm. Sandra and her daughter on Tuesday for a two day visit.

Jonathan Arnold is spending spring break with Charles and Jean Williams.

Shane and Zarinska Morton went to the car races in Royce City this weekend.

Stacy, Linda, Stoney and Charity Musgrove ate lunch with Johnnie and Nelta Musgrove Sunday.

Larry and Pam O'Neal ate supper with Johnnie and Nelta Musgrove Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Swift of Leitchfield, Ky. spent Friday night with Johnnie and Nelta and attended the performance of Stacy Musgrove and band at the VFW in Paris Friday night. Family and friends enjoyed Friday and Saturday performances.

Visiting Lou Hatfield over the weekend were daughter and granddaughter Sheran and Virginia Jöhle from Hutto.

All visited relatives in Mt. Pleasant; Hughlon, Bobbye and Whit Barret and Janette Christilow from lunch on Saturday.

Darold and Ida Mae Norwood visited Sheila Norwood in Denton Tuesday.

NAYB has openings for Spring season

The North American Youth Basketball announced today that it has several remaining openings in its first annual Longview Spring Youth Basketball Tournaments.

NAYB will host these tournaments in their 13th annual Spring tournament series on April 11, 12 and 13, 1997 and May 30, 31 and June 1, 1997 at Grove and St. Mary's High Schools, as well as other area sites.

The tournaments will feature twelve different brackets of competition. They include 5th grade boys and girls; 6th grade boys and girls; 7th grade boys and girls; 8th grade boys and girls; 9-10th grade boys and girls and 11-12th boys and girls.

The entry fee is \$80 for each tournament and guarantees each team a minimum of two games. The entry deadline is March 21, 1997 for the April tournament and May 9, 1997 for the May tournament. For information and an entry blank, contact NAYB national office at 1-800-787-3265 or Tommy and Lance Aldridge at 903-845 or 903-663-1301.

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Milk

Tuesday

Breakfast:
Pancakes, sausage, syrup
Juice, milk

Lunch:
Corny dog
Blackeyed peas
Spinach
Cherry Crisp
Milk

Wednesday

Breakfast:
Fresh fruit, french toast
Juice, milk

Lunch:
Sloppy Joe on bun
Baked beans
Corn
Apple Cobbler
Milk

Thursday

Breakfast:
Cereal, toast
Juice, milk

Lunch:
Baked chicken
Tossed saqlad
Potatoes
Whole wheat rolls
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Friday

Breakfast:
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Who qualifies for an exemption?

Anyone who owned a home on January 1st (and used it as their primary residence on that date) is entitled to a \$5,000 homestead exemption to lower their school taxes this year.....and it doesn't matter if your home is a house, condominium or mobile home. (Counties, cities and special taxing districts may also offer homestead exemptions.)

Are other exemptions available?

If you're disabled, or if you're 65 years old or older, you are entitled to an additional \$10,000 school tax exemption on our home. And if you qualify for the over-65 exemption, you're also entitled to a permanent, locked-in "ceiling" on the school property taxes on your home. (The ceiling does not apply to county or city property taxes, and those entities may offer other exemptions.) The over-65 homeowner's exemptions and school tax ceiling transfers to the surviving spouse, if the spouse is 55 years of age or older at the time of death and lives in and owns the home.

Do I have to apply each year?

No. If you had a homestead exemption on your home in 1996, you won't need to reapply for 1997 unless your chief appraiser requires it. However, if you haven't received an exemption on your present home, or if you've moved to a new home, you'll need to file for an exemption for 1997. And if you turned 65 or became disabled during 1996, you need to file for the additional exemptions.

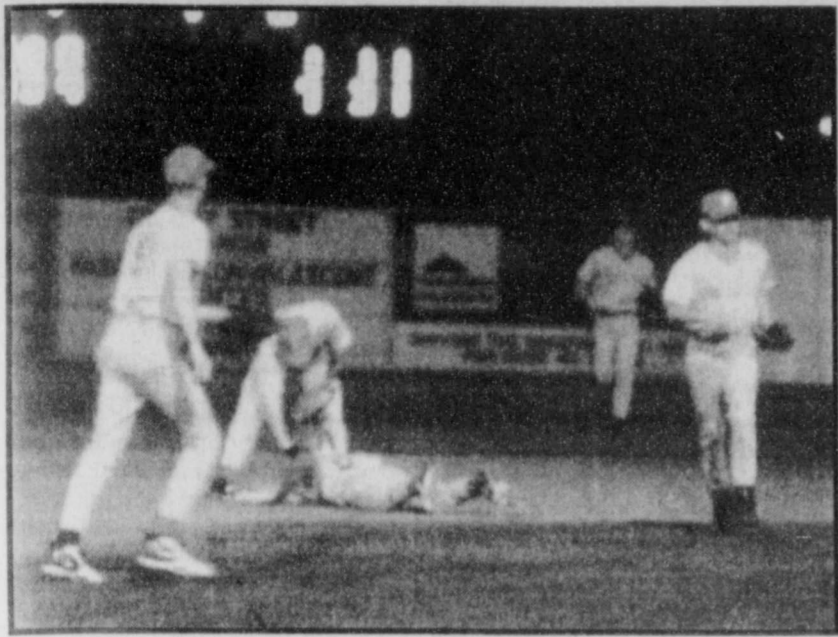
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PATRIOTS NAB the runner on second in last week's tournament play in the Sonic Classic. The Pats lost to Greenville and Sulphur Springs.

Pattonville News
By Rita Cox
652-3661

Mickey and Ashley Keeney were dinner guests of Bill and Ruby Blevins Saturday night. James Bel visited on Sunday.

Louise Crossland's sister Reba Hoffman and grand daughter Carrie Bryan of New Castle DEL visited with Buster and Louise from Thursday through Saturday.

Saturday visitors at the Crossland's were Wanda and Tommy Eads of Ft. Worth, Betty Sulak, Penny and Nicklos Baker of Arlington.

Bonnie Malone and grandson Gaylon of New Boston, Louise brother Bobby and Judy Chapman and Stacy, Missy and Nathan Harvin all of Nash., Willie, Donna, David, Michael Crossland and Brandon Wright all had lunch together.

Herbert Thomas of Paris visited Raymond and Keith Crossland last week.

Angie and Matthew Sanders of Reno visited their grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hoover.

James and Scotty Holmes were here last week visiting friends and relatives. They visited Barbara McDowra of Pattonville and Ina and Nina Sparks and Floy Sparks of Deport.

Visiting Keith and Peggy Parsons over the week end were Mark, Tonya, Haley and Ty Parsons. Floy Sparks had lunch with them.

Eloise, Nina Sparks and Peggy Parsons were in Paris Tuesday for family night for Francis Safford who died.

Visitors of Mrs. Earline Wilson this past week were Henrietta Watts, S.C. Short, Dorothy and James Cunn

ingham, Betty, Jimmy, Summer, Dustin, Jennifer, and Chase Blount; Betty Jo Taylor and Martha Porter-field.

John Mitchell visited his grandparents Don and Peggy Gentry Thursday through Saturday. His Parents R.C. and Deb Mitchell also visited. Friday, Don and Peggy Gentry took their grandsons Blake Gentry and John Mitchell to Wade Park in Paris and to Braums.

Jimmy Day of Sulphur Springs visited his parents James and Vivian Day over the week end.

Velma and Brad Burnsed went to Abilene and brought his children back to spend a week while they are out of school.

Carol and Jennifer Dorsey spent the day with T.J. and Margaret Fowler.

James VanDeaver went to see the Mavericks Game in Dallas last week-end. Also Joe Cochran of Paris went with him.

Glen and Susie Evans went to Calhoun's in Dennison this past week-end. Mitchell and Erica Evans visited their grandparents Sunday.

Glen and susie had their 42nd Anniversary March 6th.

Ada and Eddie Brook from Winstboro visited with Ada's mother, Mrs. Alice Evans Sunday.

Randall and Rita Cox were in Dallas for the Steel Guitar Convention over the weekend.

Barbara McDowra got a report on Mrs. Viola Humphrey. Mrs. Humphrey is not doing well. Her daughter, Mrs. Audra Gillis, is not doing well either.

Deport Nursing Home News
By JaLynda Mitchell



Jalynda is on vacation this week. Everyone sure misses her.

Visitors of Jewel Smith were Clista Filkins, Sue Goley, Mike, Dee Dee, Jason, Mikey and Tracy Cherry and Larry Haskell. Also from Ississippi was daughter Ruth Coleman. Mary, Jessica, Bentley and Jessica Coleman, James Smith and Donald Ray Smith, Askmo and Annie Smith from Deport. Brbara Merchant, also Dan Smith, Dale Smith, Darrell and Lary Smith.

Visiting Floy Sparks was Peggy Parsons, Nina Sparks, James and Scott Holmes and Margaret Allen.

Visitors of Ivaleta Edwards was Cecil and Margaret Allen.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Allen visited George Marshall and Terry Johnson.

Dakota, Danbri and Jaylan, Megan and Kalee Graham, Skylar and Sydney Rogers visited with all the residents.

Sondra and Doyal Adair visited Fielden Golden.

Srena Owens, Dewey and Marline Thomas visited her mother, Sara Gilmer. Also visiting were Jill Owens and friend.

Visiting with Edna Glasgow was Betty Glasgow and Bobby and Emma Lee Foshee from Mesquite.

John and Peggy McLemore, Harrell and Lois McLemore visited their father, Johnnie McLemore. Also visiting him was Prentice Crawford.

Larry and Jackie Wilson visited his parents, Sarah and James Wilson.

Alice Bumgarner, Ruby Blevins, Willie Mae Speir and Bertha Nations visited Linnie Bailey.

Dee Bonham visited with residents.

Weldon and Joyce Smith, Bill Page and Weldon Hume visited with Milow Hume.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Crawford wee Alice Bumgarner, Dwayne and Virginia Rhodes, Ethel Jackson, James Crawford, Prentice and Mary Jo Crawford, Christi Moore, Christopher and Patrick, Lori Parvis and Ashley, Gertrude and Andy Hammett, Bertha Nations, Willie Mae Speri and Nanie Bell Ham.

Mrs. Johnnie Warren was visited by Evelyn Roach, Lucy Fowler, Joyce Wilson, Dorothy Holt, Nanie Bell Ham, Nancy Murphy. Also Mike, Lila, Bren, Kara and Hali Screws.

Visitors of Mary Mathews were Jackie Whitley, Inez Luttrell and Patsy Ward.

Peggy Parsons visited with Dorothea McDowra.

Betty and Dennis Zak visited with his father, Peter Zak.

Jim and Marie Wright visited with Larry Teague.

Bill and Barbara Fabro from Dallas visited her brother, Terry McDowra. Cherry Walker from Paris, Cecil and Margaret Allen also visited Terry.

Barbara and Fred Biggerstaff, Cecil and Margaret Allen visited with Don O'Dea.

Geneva and Bill Weaver, Sue Hart, Jane Martin, visited Lena Powell and George Powell.

Sally and J.E. visited with Henry Jacks.

Visiting with Mrs. Ima Griffin was her daughter, Patsy Curtis from Paris and Fronie Harris from Birthright.

Richey Williams visited with Norma Williams.

Birthdays celebrated last were were Johnnie Warren, Edith Crawford and Lora Hulsey.

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THE ADVENTURES OF MUSTANG CREEK FARM
by Leslie Morton Copeland

It was Spring Break week at Mustang Creek Farm and everyone was so excited and happy, but things started to take a turn for the worst according to Pepper, the giant chocolate labrador who was in charge of farm security. For the week to be so full of fun activities, a rash of unusual events began to take shape. Food supplies were low in several areas of the farm, and peculiar footprints that led to large holes in the yard were everywhere. This was really a big case for the Lab as he sniffed out clues that might aid the investigation. Most of the animals of Mustang Creek Farm were cooperative, but during a routine questioning, Pepper noticed that three ladies were vague in their responses and whereabouts the night before. Mrs. Funnybunny was anything but funny. Muffin the cat was rude, and Sugar the lab could not look her husband in the eye. Of all the animals at the farm, how could the three suspects be females, and one even a wife? Pepper was totally confused on what to do, and decided on a stakeout. Matt the Mustang assisted in the sting to catch a thief. All evening long they sat and waited, and sure enough the prowler appeared. Through the shadows, the figure ate the food that was left out intentionally, and began to make circles around the holes that were dug. Through the filtered light, the figure sprung from the darkness... it was Sugar! How was Pepper supposed to arrest his own wife? Before he could take ac-

tion, the suspect ran off due to a noise from the bushes.... Mrs. Funnybunny! The rabbit munched in the garden... and made her circles around the holes in the yard. Matt quickly ran to Pepper with an idea.... and the next morning, it all began to make sense. As Rodney the Rooster gave his cockadoodledoo and the sun began to rise, the evidence was clear. Spring had sprung at Mustang Creek Farm! There were new puppies, kittens, and bunnies everywhere! "This really explains the missing food" said Matt, as he and the giant lab put the case to rest. Pepper was happy being head of farm security but his new title of "Dad" was fun too! As the farm animals gathered around to congratulate the three new daddies, David the duck ran up to Pepper and shouted "Can you please come quickly to see what's going on at the pond?...My mom is making the funny circles around the water and she is eating everything in sight!" Pepper, and Matt the mustang just smiled at each other and agreed that Spring was officially in full bloom at Mustang Creek Farm.

Rex Allen celebrates 60th birthday

A birthday celebration honoring Rex Allen on his 60th birthday was held Friday, February 28 at his home in Blossom.

The Mulberry Creek Band provided live entertainment with lots of good music and singing. He received many nice gifts, cards and phone calls.

His children and grandchildren, Brad, Kathy, Robert and Jonathan Allen of Mesquite, Robert and Brandi Martin of Desota, Peggy Johnson and Mike of Mesquite honored him with phone calls and had delivered to him a plant with birthday balloons and a box of candy.

Birthday cake, ice cream, chips and dips were served to 20 guests.

Those attending were Barbara Allen, Lola Allen, Bill and Kay Allen, Jerry and Linda Dennis, Adam Dunnagan, Silas and Betty Clement, Wendell and Bobbyh Nichols, Perry Cox, Paula and Miriam Bruhn, all of Blossom, Kenneth and Onita Short of Paris, J.C. and Barbara Pomroy, Bobby and Judy Pomroy of Clardy.

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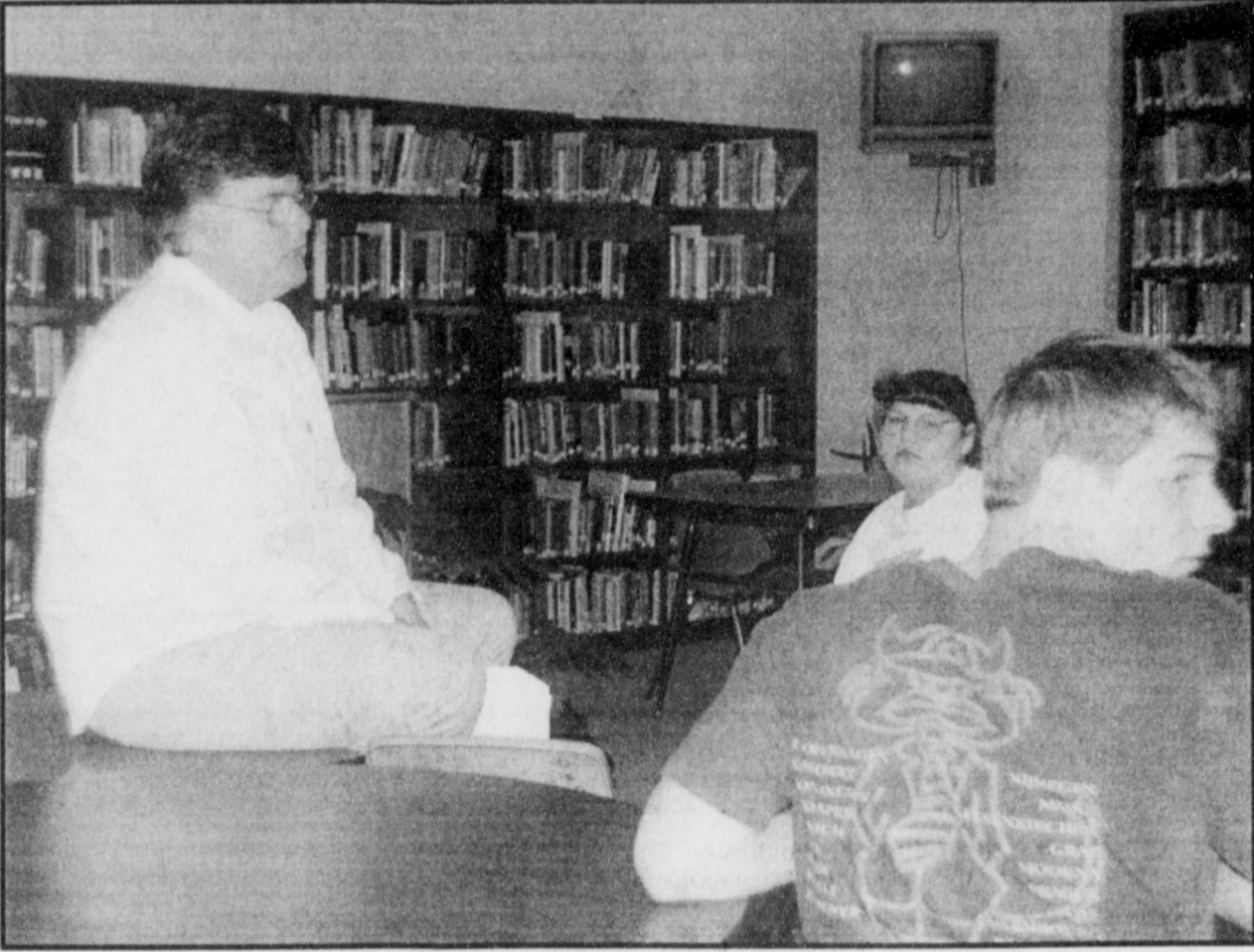
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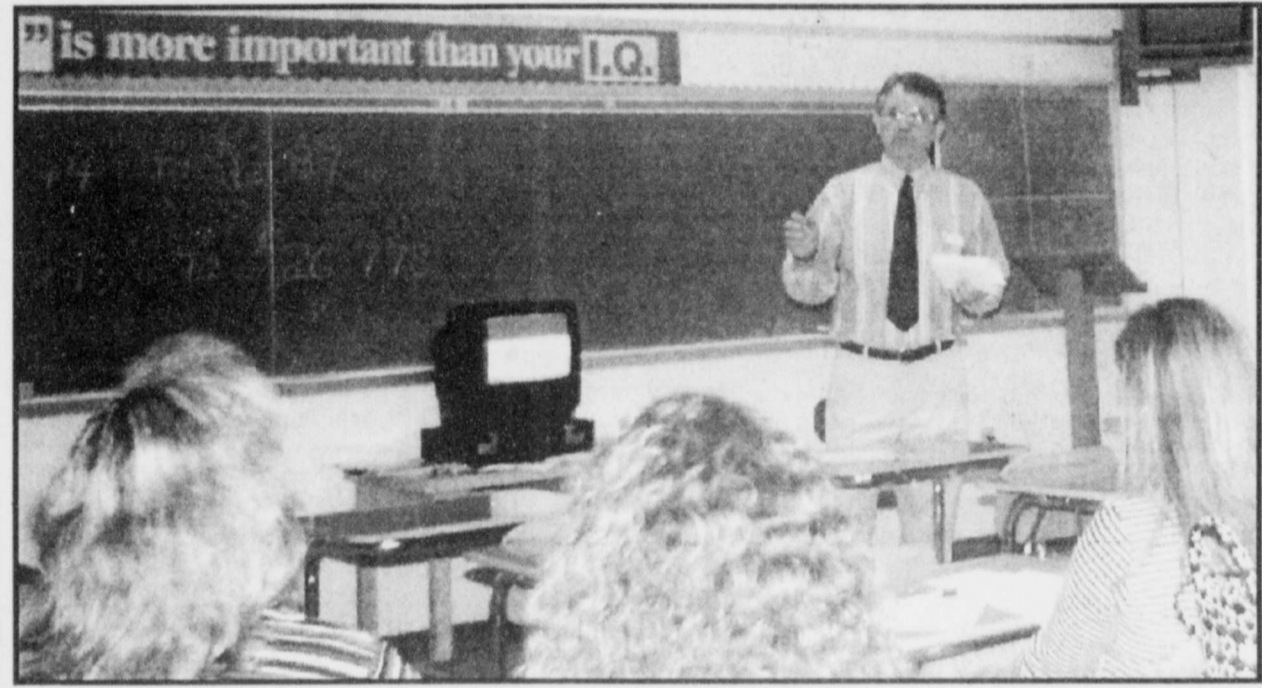
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DEPORT PHARMACIST Marilyn Glover speaks to students on the Prairiland Campus on Career Day Wednesday, March 5, 1997.



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DEPORT POSTMASTER Joe Thompson speaks to students on Career Day at Prairiland held on March 5, 1997.

Have A Nice Weekend

RR Special Olympics to sponsor BBQ

The Red River County Special Olympic volunteers will sponsor a Barbeque supper on Saturday, March 15, 1997 at the Clarksville High School Cafetorium.

The supper will get underway at 4:00 p.m. with tickets being sold by volunteers. Prices are \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children. Tickets will also be sold at the door. A drawing will be held during the event for door prizes.

Proceeds from the event will be used to help pay expenses for the Special Olympics team to attend the area and state games which will be held in May.

Hale-Bopp Comet will be highly visible

Comet Hale-Bopp was discovered on July 23, 1995. When first viewed, it was 250 times brighter than Comet Halley at the same distance, and is about three times as big as Comet Halley. It is said to be the biggest, brightest comet in the last century. Backyard comet-gazers can already spot it hovering on the eastern horizon each day before dawn.

You can spot the comet by looking east about 30 minutes before dawn. Hold your fist at arm's length. The comet is east-north-east and about two or three fists above the horizon. It will slowly move northward each day.

Comets have long evoked a range of awed emotions and strange ideas in those lucky enough to see them. Comets have been blamed for droughts, famines and floods throughout history.

The last time Comet Hale-Bopp visited the inner solar system, Stonehenge was about to reach it's final configuration, 4,200 years ago!

Comet Hale-Bopp will come no closer than 122 million miles from Earth and is about 25 miles in diameter. The comet's tail "could" stretch across a third of the sky when it reaches peak brilliance on April Fool's Day.

Lamar County Sheriff's Report

Thursday, March 6, 1997: 3-911 violations, medical assist, 2 theft, 6 arrests, 2 suspicious activity, harrassment, criminal trespass, transport, cruelty to animals, missing child, threats, suspicious vehicles, criminal mischief, accident major, assault with 166 inmates.

Friday, March 7, 1997: 2 motor assist, assist, transport, panic alarm, reckless driver, 2 OPC, 5 arrests, 2-911 violation, structure fire, disturbance, theft, found narcotics, 2 child custody dispute, gas leak, suspicious vehicle with 170 inmates.

Saturday, March 8, 1997: 6-911 violations, stand-by, animal complaint, 2 suspicious, abandoned vehicle, 10 arrest, shot fired, disturbance, 2 assists, 1-1050 major with 175 inmates.

Sunday, March 9, 1997: 4 loose livestock, 2 arrest, civil standby, telephone harrassment, missing cattle, suspicious activity, 911 violation, 2 emergency message, alarm, medical emergency, cruelty to animals, shots fired, criminal mischief, 2 disturbances with 171 inmates.

Have A Nice Weekend

T-Byrds are coming to Clarksville

The T-Byrds will be in Clarksville on March 22 for a musical extravaganza to be held at the Clarksville High School Cafetorium to benefit the Red River County Historical Society restoration projects. General admission tickets are \$10.00 and \$15.00 for reserved seats.

Tickets may be obtained at the Broadway Emporium on the square in Clarksville or from Historical Society board members.

Underwriting the concert is Apache Iron Metal and Auto Salvage, Inc. in Clarksville.

For information, contact Jack Herrington at 427-2813 or Pat Twiford at 427-5182.

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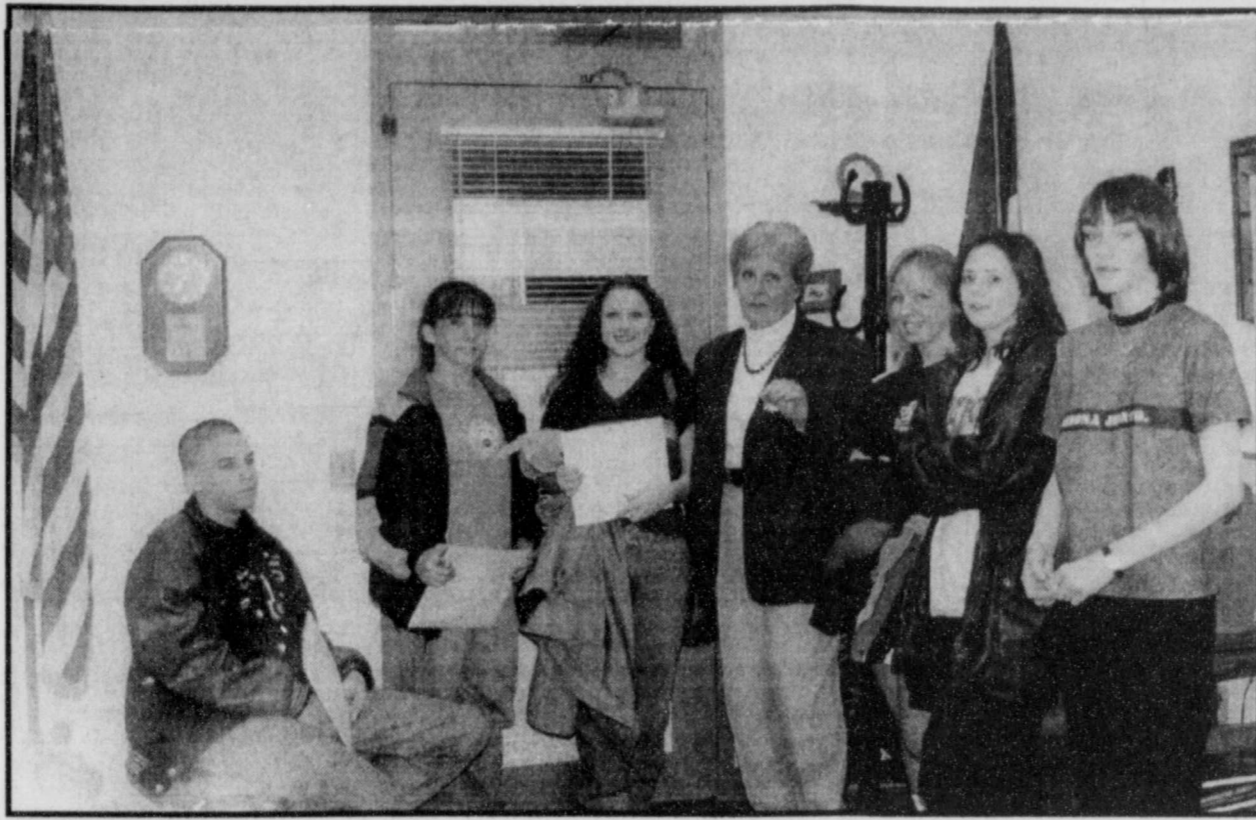
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Red River County Roots

I am researching the name Ballard, including a George Ballard. Anyone in this area having knowledge of the name Ballard can respond to: Donna Edwards, Rt. 1, Box 68, Sulphur Springs, Texas 75482 or call 903-945-3054. To have a query placed in this column, please write to: Red River Co. Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 516, Clarksville, TX 75426.



JOURNALISM- Liz Irwin, Editor for the BlossomTimes and Detroit Weekly, presented a program on newspaper reporting, and the mechanics of newspaper publishing at Prairiland Career Day. (Staff Photo)

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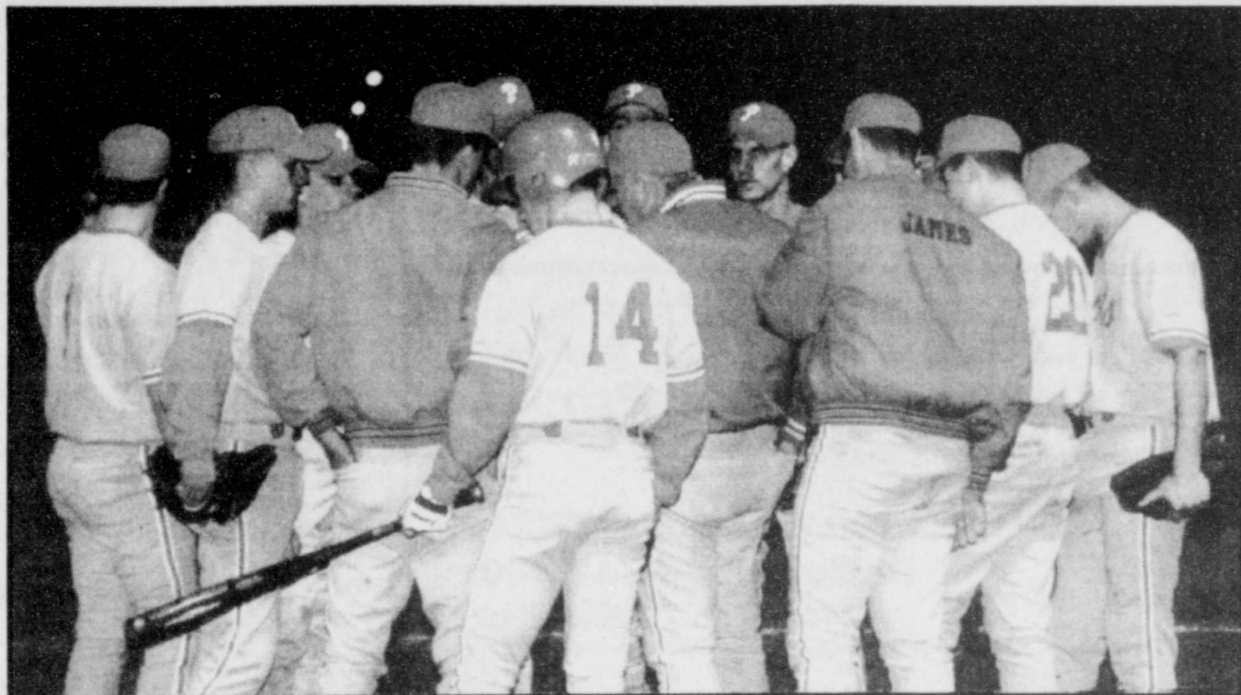
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 LADY PATRIOT JAMIE BEATY gets out on 1st as she makes the run in the game last week against Rivercrest. The ladies were defeated 5-12.



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 The Housing Authority of the City of Talco, Texas will accept bids until Wednesday, 12:00 p.m., March 26, 1997 at the Talco Housing Authority, 802 E. Wilson, Talco, TX for lawn care during the seven-month period from April 1, 1997 through October 31, 1997. The successful bidder must furnish all equipment and labor necessary to accomplish the work. Specifications and scope of work may be obtained at the office of the Housing Authority.
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Notice to Public of No Significant Impact on the Environment and Notice of Intent to Request Release of Funds

City of Blossom
 P.O. Box 297
 Blossom, TX 75416
 To: All Interested Agencies, Groups and Persons:

Seventeen (17) days after this publication, the City of Blossom, Blossom, Texas intends to request the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) to release Federal funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-383) for Project No. 716089.

Exempt Activities:
 Administration
 Planning and Engineering of Wastewater Collection System Improvements
Environmental Assessment Activities:
 Wastewater Collection System Improvements

Finding of No Significant Impact
 It has been determined that such a request of release of funds will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment and accordingly the City of Blossom has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190). The reason for such a decision is to prepare such a Statement is based upon the fact that all environmental concerns could either be minimized or mitigated.

An Environmental Review Record for the proposed project has been made by the City of Blossom which documents the environmental review

of the project and more fully sets forth the reasons why such a statement is not required. The Environmental Review Record is on file at the Office of Community Development: City of Blossom, 1240 W. Front St., Blossom, TX 75416, and is available for public examination and copying upon request between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.
Public Comments on Findings
 All interested agencies, groups and persons, disagreeing with this decision are invited to submit written comments for consideration by the City of Blossom to the address set forth above. Such written comments must be received at the address specified within sixteen (16) days after this publication. All such comments received will be considered and the City of Blossom will not request the release of funds or take administrative action on the project prior to the date specified in the proceeding sentence.

Release of Funds
 The City of Blossom will undertake the activities described above with Community Development Block Grant funds under Title I from its Program Year 1996 under grant number 716089 from the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974. The City of Blossom is certifying to TDHCA that Mr. Ronnie Westbrock in his official capacity as Mayor, consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to environmental reviews, decision-making and action; and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The legal effect of the certification is that upon its approval, the City of Blossom may use Block Grant funds and it will have satisfied its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969. TDHCA will accept an objection to its approval only on one or more of the bases and the procedures described in 24CFR Part 58.75. Objections are to be addressed to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs; P.O. Box 13941, Austin, TX 78711.

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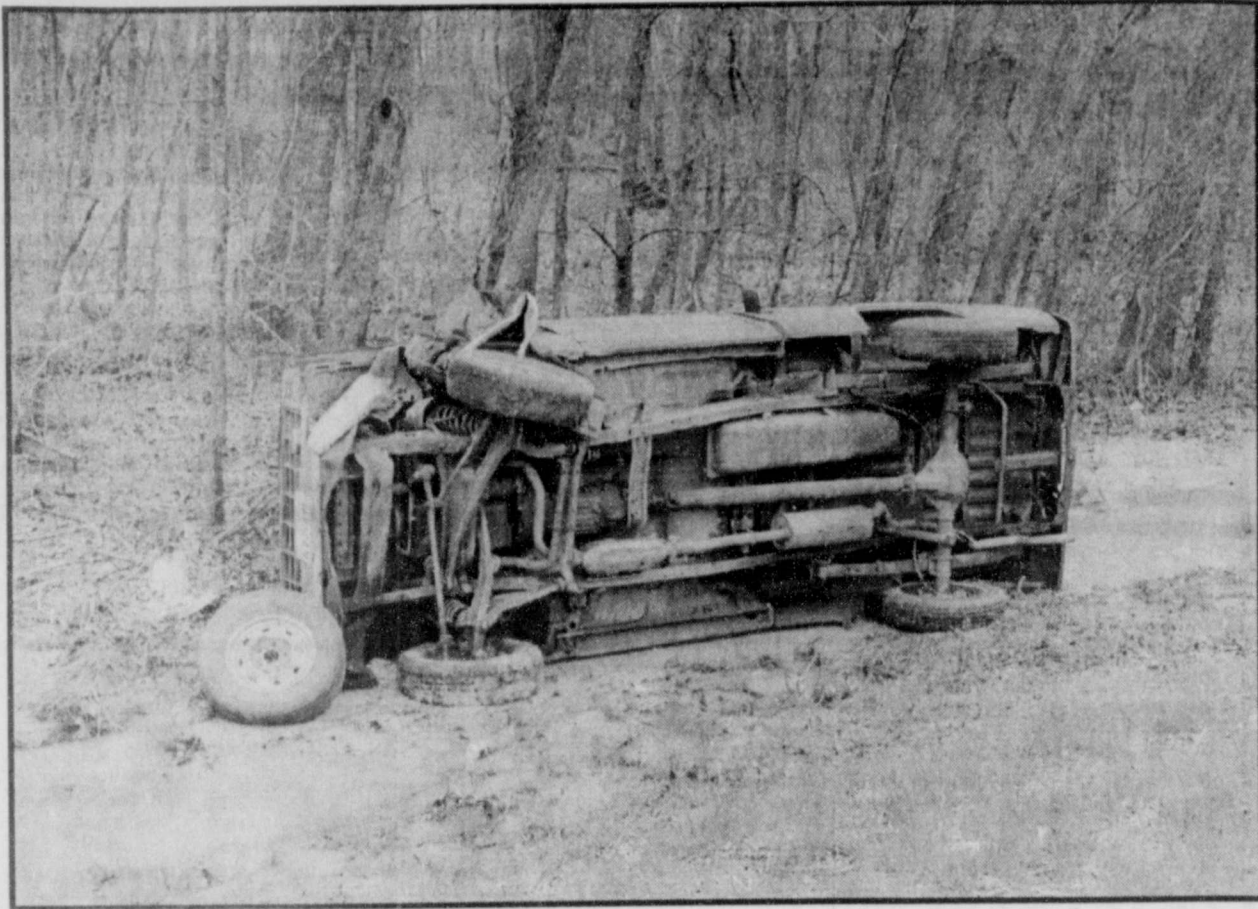
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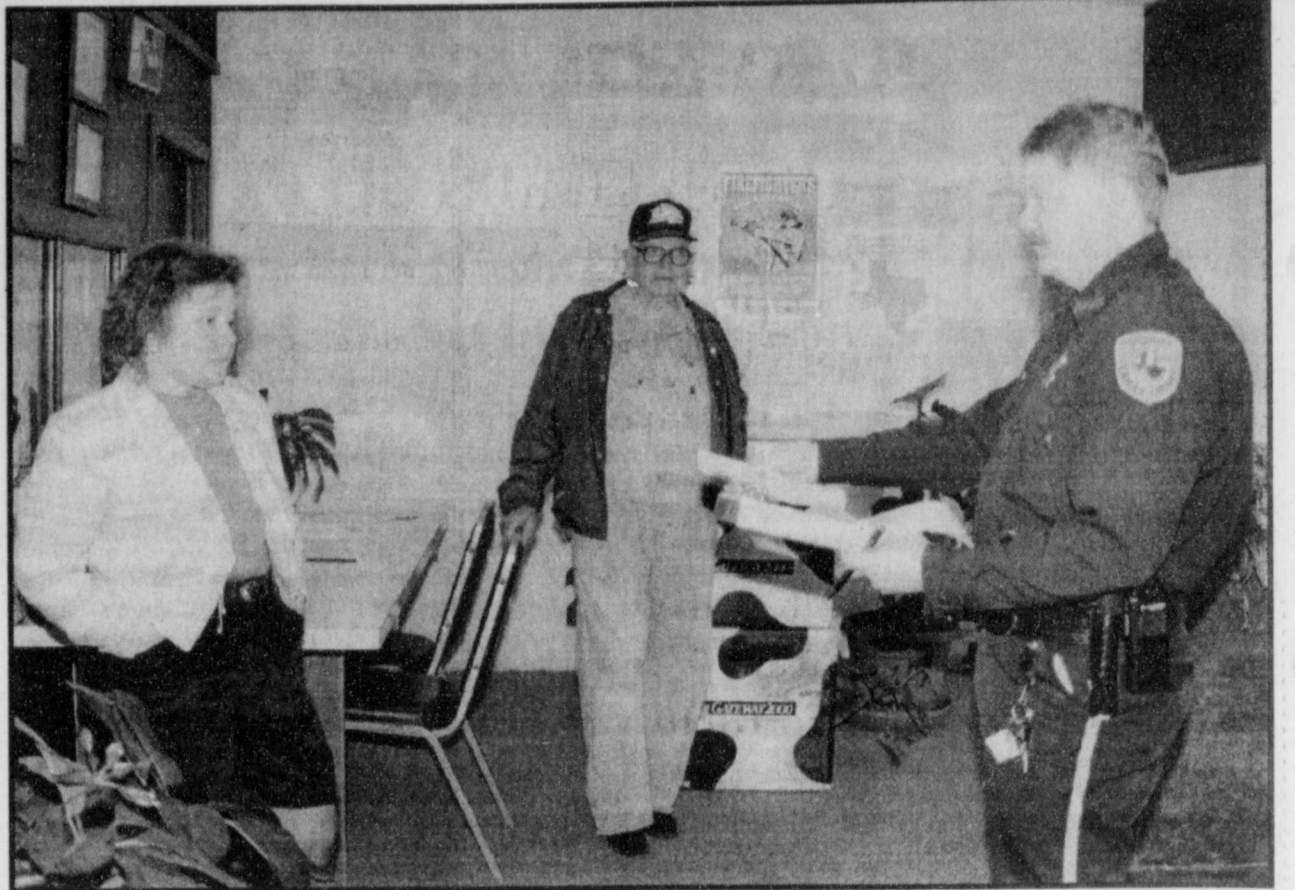
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ROLL OVER Accident-Morris Weddle of Deport escaped uninjured Monday about noon when his pickup blew a tire on Hwy. 271 just West of Deport. He clipped a bridge railing and the vehicle rolled over, suffering heavy damage. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)



BREAK IN-Lamar County Sheriff's Deputy Kirk McMurray takes a report from City Secretary Sharon Frances and Mayor Charles Foster on the break-in that occurred at City Hall Sunday night or early Monday morning. Intruders caused damage to property inside the office and damage to the building, but stole very little. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)

Deport Presbyterian Women attend program

Mame Cutshall, Reba Temple, Jessie Woodard and Clara Stalls of the First Presbyterian Church of Deport attended a special program at Central Presbyterian Church in Paris

on March 4th.

The program was titled "Women at the Well". It was researched, written and performed by Jane Leister of Orange, Texas. Mrs. Leister is a noted dramatist who holds a degree in Speech Education from Texas Women's University and a graduate degree in guidance and counseling from Our Lady of the Lake Graduate school and the University of Texas.

In her presentation, Mrs. Leister characterized six women from the Bible, dramatizing an event in the life of each one. The women she chose to portray were: Claudia Procula, wife of Pontius Pilate; Mother of the Boy with Loaves and Fishes; Elizabeth, mother of John the Baptist; Salome, daughter of Herodias; Martha of Bethany and Saraitan woman at the well.

The program was especially meaningful to the Deport group as they had studied Women of the Bible the past two years.

Following the program a luncheon was served in the Fellowship Hall with men of the church acting as waiters.

EASY MAIN ST.

Deport Locals
By *Barbara Crawford*
CALL 652-4205

James Holmes and son Scott of San Antonio visited on Friday with Bill & Mattie Lou Upchurch and Ina & Nina Sparks.

Visiting Gordon & Vivian Isbell over the weekend were Jimmy & Ralene Isbell, David & Denise of Clarksville, Greg & Michelle Jones & Mollie of Rockwall, Bill & Terri Lumley, Hilary & Peyton of Tyler, and Josh Jones of Rockwall.

Joyce Phillips, Bryce & Rachael of Rowlett and Sandra Jeffus of Garland visited relatives in Deport Sunday & Monday. They stayed with Harold & Nell Shull.

Sam & Margie Rice visited with Thomas & Nanalee Nichols Friday night. The Rice's and Nichol's had Sunday lunch together in Paris also.

Edith Crawford celebrated her 90th birthday on Saturday, March 8th with Cake & Ice Cream at the Deport Nursing Home attending were Virginia Rhodes, Prentice & Jo

Crawford, Shirley & John Gifford, Larry and Barbara Crawford, Lori Parvin & Ashley, Christie Noone, Patrick & Christopher.

Visiting Russell & Pat Crawford over the weekend were Lori & Rodney Parvin & Ashley of Keller, Christie Noone, Patrick & Christopher of Saginaw.

Prentice & Jo Crawford of Benbrook visited Raymond & Edith Crawford and Dwayne Rhodes in St. Joseph Hospital in Paris.

Visiting Frankie Hunt over the weekend were her daughters Nancy Eason of Terrell and Fran Miller of Denton, granddaughter Stephanie Berry of Denton and grandson Bob & Rene Hunt & Becca of Ft. Worth. They also visited Ken & Pam Hunt & Brad.

Tommy Harbison of Dallas spent the weekend with his grandmother Estelle Chesshire, grandson David & Denise Harbison of Blossom visited on Sunday. Imogene Wilson of Paris visited Estelle on Wednesday.

George & Roberta Parks of Irving spent the weekend with his mother Mary Parks, her brother Red Johnson also visited.

Ballard honored on 85th Birthday

Saturday, March 8th Shorty Ballard celebrated his 85th birthday. He has two sons, six grandchildren, 12 great grandchildren and a bird dog named Stud. Family members are: Joe & Lynda Ballard, Jack, Glenda, Marlena and Jordan Ballard, Barry, Connie, Emily, Christopher and Michael Ballard, Carl, JaLynda, Dakota, Danbri and Jaylan Mitchell, Mike, LeeAnn, Sydney and Skylar Ragan, Megan and Kalle Graham, Joel, Shirley, Anthony and Matthew Ballard.

Pre-season tournament for Dixie Youth teams

A pre-season tournament for any regular season, Dixie Youth team 12 and under will be held at Woodall Field in Paris on April 11 and 12.

There will be a three game guarantee at a cost of \$45 per team. First, second and third place awards will be given.

No All Star teams or Select teams are to play. Enrollment is to be limited to the first 24 teams to apply.

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T-Byrd Gordon will be in Clarksville

Dr. Larry "T-Byrd" Gordon and his orchestra/band will be in Clarksville on Saturday, March 22 at 8:00 p.m. in the Clarksville High School Cafeteria. Tickets are on sale now at Broadway Emporium or

from Historical Society members. Support the Red River County Historical Society renovation projects in a fun way. The concert is being sponsored by Apache Iron, Metal and Auto Salvage of Clarksville.

Crime Stoppers crime of the week

Crime Stoppers is seeking your help and will pay a cash reward of up to \$1000 for any information that will lead to the arrest and indictment of the persons responsible for committing the following felony crime.

Sometime between 10:00 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. on Tuesday night, March 4th, a sixty year old man was struck by a vehicle in the 900 block of Clement Road in Paris. After striking the pedestrian, the vehicle left the scene of the accident. The vehicle is believed to be a dark, full-sized pickup with the right side passenger mirror

missing.

If you have any information on this auto-pedestrian accident, or any other felony crime, please call Crime Stopper. If Crime Stopper receives that information by March 17 an arrest and indictment is made of those persons responsible, Crime Stoppers will pay you a cash reward of up to \$1000. All calls do remain anonymous and you will not have to testify in court. *So lets all work together to fight crime!* Call Crime Stoppers today at 785-TIPS! (785-8477)

Milton News
By *Matty Lu Upchurch*

Shasta Riley is spending this week with her father Paul Riley of Azel.

Harvey and Jean Bell of Cypress Springs visited Holland and Elizabeth Bell, Thursday.

Nita Bowling attended a meeting in Sulphur Springs, Sunday.

Lyn Wolf and Jane and Fred Swint of Deport visited George and Nell Wolfe, Saturday.

James Holmes of San Antonio and son Scott Holmer of Sequin visited Bill and Mattylu Upchurch, Thursday afternoon and Saturday morning.

Having a hamburger supper with George and Nell Wolf Saturday night were Cindy and Bert Filkens, Stephanie and Joseph, Amanda Middleton and Sandy Brown.

Leslie and Paula Taylor, Justin and Jennifer and Buddy Taylor were in Austin, Thursday to Sunday for the State Basketball Tournament.

Stan and Shirley Scholfield and friends of Danville, Ill. visited James and Dorothy Holt Sunday afternoon. James and Stan were on ship together during World War II and had not seen each other in 50 years.

Sandy Brown and Stephanie Wolf

spent Saturday night with Stephanie's grandparents, George and Nell Wolf.

Kenda Blackburn of Sylvan had lunch with her parents, Kenneth and Ruth Ann Allen, Sunday.

Susan Roach visited her sister Janet Stone of Mesquite this week.

David Wolf, Allison and Marcus, Sandy Brown, Stephanie Wolf, Cindy and Bert Filkens and Joseph spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. George Wolf.

Allen and Stacy Huddleston attended the State Basketball Tournament in Austin Thursday through Sunday.

Bill and Mattylu Upchurch had lunch with Bill's sister, Katherine Green in Deport, Monday.

Ann and Sheldon Lee returned home Monday after visiting Noel, Perky, Matt and Amy McCoy in San Antonio.

Bob and Buena Marshall attended the wedding of their nephew Paul Dodson to Nancy Kenny in Dallas, Saturday.

Rudy and Callie Carrasco of San Antonio spent Saturday to Wednesday with her sister and husband Buena and Bob Marshall.

SPECIALS Of The Week

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