

Nichols Worth



By Nanalee Nichols
Drought Has Far-Reaching Consequences

We are, as most of you know, in the midst of one of the worst heat waves and droughts in recent history.

Whether you are involved in agriculture or not, this is going to effect you.

Have you seen the poor farmers baling their soy beans, trying to salvage something from the expenses they incurred in planting a crop that has produced nothing? Have you seen the long lines of cattle trailers at the sale barns as ranchers have to sell cattle at low prices because they are out of grass? Have you seen the hay meadows with half (or less) production? How about the scorched corn and headless milo and cotton in need of a rain? Have you noticed the truck farmers, vegetable and fruit growers, the plant nurseries and turf producers struggling to deal with this terrible situation?

If you live anywhere in the rural area of this part of Texas, it's a common sight.

And what does this mean to you as a consumer?

The first thing most people think of is "wow, I'll bet my food costs go up!" That's the least of it.

When farmers don't make crops they must reduce spending. They don't spend nearly the money on equipment, chemicals, vehicles, new housing, clothing, virtually anything that they usually do. They cut back on labor, and those employees have less money to spend too. And the equipment dealers, the chemical companies, anyone in Agri-Business has less money coming in, so they and their employees have less to spend too.

With less money being pumped into the area economy local businesses suffer. Some will have to raise their prices. Some will find this "last straw" and go out of business.

Suffering businesses cut back on their operating expenses, and so on and so on.

All of this means less sales taxes, less money flowing in our local economy.

It's easy to say "well, but the price of hay (or milo or soy beans or whatever) is way up". It doesn't come near compensating for the scarcity of it.

One would think that with cattle cheap beef prices at the store would drop...it won't happen, because the major portion of your food bill goes to the middleman anyway!

So, while many of us suffer from the heat, suffer from the drought, we may not consider that it effects each and every one of us. It gets into our pocketbooks most obviously, and even our hearts as we watch things slowly dying in the heat and drought. Hope for rain, even though it is too late for this year's crops. Because if it continues, the grass will be damaged, and the pools will be dangerously low, and this economic and emotional stress will continue into the years to come! And always remember, things like this effect each and every one of us, not just a few, because the consequences spread out like ripples from a thrown stone...or should I say dust in the wind?



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Postmaster writes book on money orders!

Deport's Joe Thompson simplifies new machine instructions

By Nanalee Nichols

Postmaster Joe Thompson has written the book on money order machines...literally! When the manual issued by the U.S. Postal Service wasn't as clear as beginning users would have liked instead of fretting about it Joe sat down with machine and manual and wrote a clear manual that anyone could use!

To begin at the beginning of this story, Joe Thompson is a long-time native of Deport, and has been Postmaster for the Deport Post Office for a little over four years now.

The Dallas District for the USPS was chosen as a test area for the new E-Mod (Electronic Money Order Dispenser) back in 1997. Only in this district were post offices of Level 13 or under (in other words, smaller offices) given the new computerized machine to test.

Joe is a trainer, this means that he travels around training people as Postmasters, machine operators or whatever kind of training they need.

But as time approached for him to go out into the field and train people on the use of the new money order machine he had one problem...his machine hadn't arrived! All the other trainers got theirs promptly, but his was missing. Finally he got part of the machine, but not all of it. When he finally did receive his manuals and his full machine he discovered he had a little problem with the manuals being too technical. So, he booted

up his computer and "out of self-preservation" sat down and began step by step to write an instruction manual that would be completely simple and would tell the operator exactly every step from the time they take the money orders out of the safe to the time they shut down for the day and put them back into the safe. He even went into trouble shooting and the reports that needed to be run...even what to do with each copy of a report. Many a troubled computer operator would kill for the chance to have a manual so carefully and clearly written!

He wrote this book, in order to make life easier for him, but of course it soon became the "hottest" thing going as more and more post office employees wanted copies of it.

The "Red Book" is now the unofficial manual of choice for everyone in the Dallas District.

In addition to this there were some printer problems with the new machine, and soon Joe had been put in touch with the CEO of the manufacturing company in California who had built the machine.

Before he knew it Joe found himself on a plane to Washington D.C., where he met with higher ups in the Post Master General's organization.

He and the Financial System Coordinator Janice Harris in Coppell, and Patti Robinson, Manager of Finance of the Dallas District met Rita Crawford in Washington and they set

up a FAT test. Fat Test? Yes, the prototype money order machine was subjected to an all day test of it's abilities. After being satisfied with the machine's performance the go-ahead was given to install new computer chips into the printers so that they can operate smoothly.

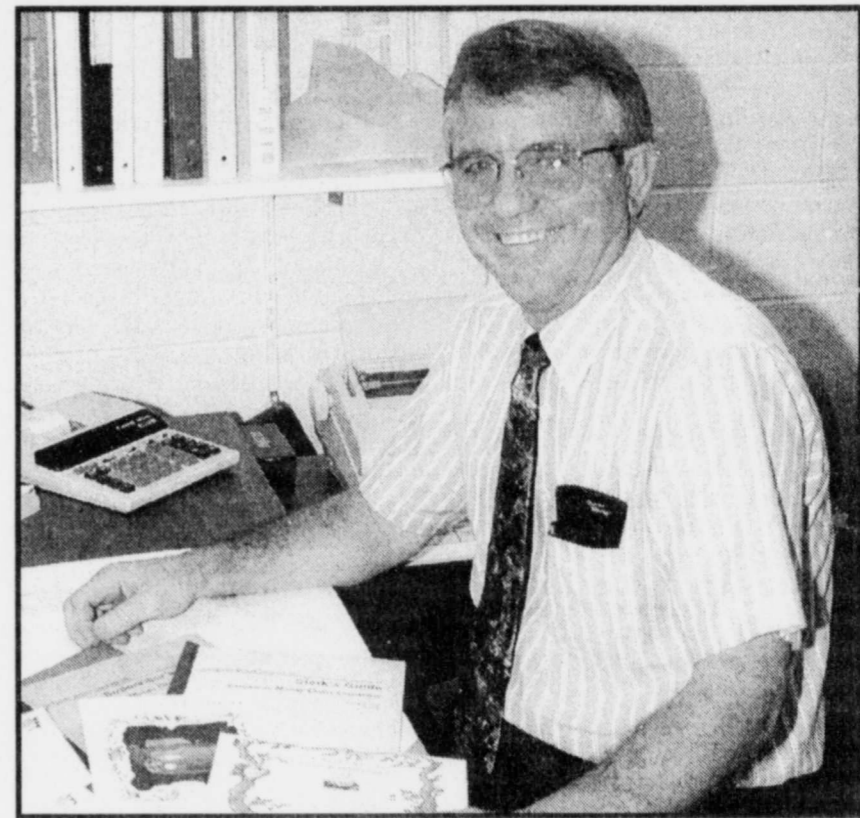
The trip to Washington was exhausting and strictly business, on one evening they received a very quick "drive around" tour of some of the major monuments but that was about it. The next day they checked out of the hotel and carried their bags to the post office headquarters so that they could leave for Texas directly from work.

Joe was welcomed back to Texas by his wife, Sharyl and daughter Anna. The family lives in Pattonville.

There is no extra pay for writing this manual, no extra pay for being a trainer.

When asked why he does it he grins and says "well, to help other people out. I've needed help before and had someone help me, everyone needs that. Besides, there's a real satisfaction to helping others."

He smiles happily as he displays a stack of birthday cards and thank you cards, each of which expresses gratitude from other postal employees who have found their lives made simpler and their service to the public better because one man took the time to write a manual for the ordinary person!



THANK YOU-Postmaster Joe Thompson sits with some of the thank you cards and birthday wishes he has received from other postal employees after he simplified an operating manual for computerized money order machines being tested in the Dallas District of the USPO. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)

Reply filed in bond issue suit

A reply to the suit filed in Titus County by Randy Carroll, Roy Marris and Darla Ottinger against James Eddie Brown, President, Board of Trustees, Talco-Bogata Consolidated Independent School District and Gary VanDeaver, Superintendent, Talco-Bogata CISD, has been filed in Titus County District Court. The suit is the result of a \$9 million dollar bond to build a new facility to house elementary through high school students at the Rivercrest location. The vote passed by 10 votes, and has been the subject of great controversy.

The reply says that "Contestees deny that this Court has jurisdiction pursuant to Election Code 221.002 as asserted by Contestants." It continues that "as the election contest seeks to challenge a school bond election, jurisdiction lies under Election Code 233.001. Contestees would further note that the citation served upon... It also says that the citation served upon Brown improperly informed him of the required deadline for filing an answer. It also states that there is a clear statutory requirement to send a copy of the petition to the secretary of state by the same deadline proscribed for the filing of the petition".

Item 3. of the reply says "Contestees specially except to Paragraph 9. of the Original Petition, wherein Contestants allege that "There were numerous others out of county and out of district residents that were allowed to vote." The allegation is vague in that it fails to properly identify the alleged voter or voters who were improperly allowed to vote. Further, it is vague and ambiguous in that it seems to imply that any voter living outside of county is ineligible. The boundaries of the Talco-Bogata Independent School District encircle residents from portions of three counties, any of which have a right to vote in District elections to the extent that they meet the other applicable legal requirements."

The reply continues to say that the allegation that "voters who were unregistered were allowed to vote" is "vague and indefinite and fails to identify voters who were allowed to vote illegally; that "voters who registered too late were allowed to vote" is also vague and indefinite and fails to identify voters who were allowed to vote illegally.

The reply also says that "by contesting the election, Contestants delay or perhaps even defeat the bond issue since a delay results in the District's inability to set a tax rate as required and to qualify for substantial state funding for the project. If this brief window of opportunity is lost, the District's ability to replace these campuses may be lost. Because of the strong feelings for community, the outraged tone, cries of fraud and other exaggerated claims of the Original Petition are understandable. They do not, however, justify the rejection of the popular will expressed in the passage of the bonds.

The reply continues by rejecting the notion that anyone voted illegally with the knowledge and cooperation of the bond proponents.

The reply also states that Mr. Dennis Purviance was allowed to vote by an election judge familiar with Mr. Purviance's situation, that it was proper and that he is a legal resident of the school district.

In item 10 the Contestees "vigorously deny the allegation of 'clear fraud' in dealing with absentee ballots.

The reply alleges that the twenty missing ballots are unvoted ballots and that there are actually no missing ballots, but that they were miscounted.

The reply also maintains that Dr. VanDeaver did not speak illegally with an election judge, and that there is nothing illegal in his being on hand when absentee ballots were counted.

The reply says that the two mailed in votes thrown out by the absentee judge because "neither had the required voter signature on the envelope." It also says the two ballots are preserved and that there is no violation.

It includes a general denial of each and every allegation raised in the Original Petition and concludes with a plea that the court "deny Contestants all relief sought".

Revival services set for Aug. 2-5 at Calvary

The Talco Calvary Baptist Church will be holding Revival services beginning Sunday, Aug. 2 through Wednesday, Aug. 5. Bro. Gary Smith will be the guest evangelist. Bro. Sam Craig will be the music director throughout the week.

Sunday morning Sunday School will begin at 9:45 a.m. and worship services will start at 11:00. There will be a covered dish lunch following the morning services. Sunday evening services will begin at 6:30 p.m.

On Monday through Wednesday the ladies of the church will prepare a noon meal and Bro. Smith will give a devotional. This is geared for the working people to attend during their

lunch breaks from 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m. The evening services on Monday through Wednesday will begin at 7:30 p.m. nightly.

Bro. Glenn Connell, pastor at Calvary Baptist, has known Bro. Gary Smith for many years and states he has a reputation of preaching to stomp out sin. Bro. Smith is from Houston and is the winner of last year's Country Music Male Vocalist of the Year. He is also nominated for the same award this year plus the Christian-Country Guild Award. He has had two hits. One was "Walking Toward the Cross" which stayed on the charts for weeks and his present hit holding at number 18 on the charts and climb-

ing, "Comin Home". Bro. Smith will be at the New Boston Wal-Mart singing and signing autographs on Thursday, Friday and Saturday beginning at 10:00 a.m.

Bro. Sam Craig also of Houston has a wonderful testimony, a down to earth country boy manner and will serve as the music director for the revival. He has led numerous revivals as well as concerts all over the U.S. Canada, South Africa, Puerto Rico and Mexico.

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to come and be a part of these four days of praising the Lord.

People 'n Things

The Talco Assembly of God Church will have a guest speaker, Bro. Melvin James, on Sunday, August 2. There will be a covered dish luncheon following morning services. Everyone is invited to attend. Sunday School begins at 9:30 a.m. and morning worship begins at 11:00 a.m.

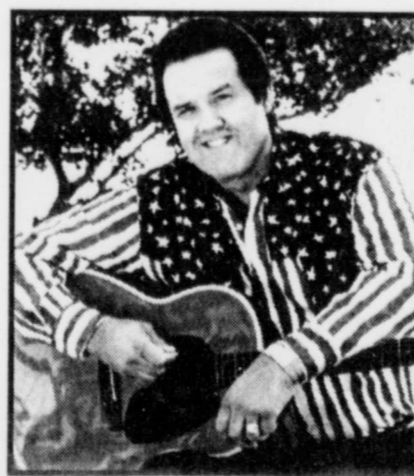
Plan to attend Revival Services at the Talco Calvary Baptist Church beginning Sunday, Aug. 2 through Wednesday Aug. 5, at 6:30 p.m. on Sunday and 7:30 p.m. Monday through Wednesday.

Tri-Water customers please help conserve by watering yards and gardens after 10:00 p.m. in the evening or before 6:00 a.m. in the morning.

Talco-Bogata and Rivercrest Junior High and High School students who are interested in participating in athletics, band or any extracurricular activity must take drug test on Aug. 3 beginning at 10:00 a.m. Boys tests will be done in the field house and girls tests will be done in the girls dressing room. Students must test to participate. For more information call the school at 632-5204.



Bro. Gary Smith



Bro. Sam Craig

Cuthand Methodist to hold VBS

Cuthand Methodist Church will hold a one day Vacation Bible School Thursday, July 30 from 9:00 a.m. until 2:30 p.m.

There will be a program Thursday night at 6:30 p.m.

The Bible School is for children from the age of 2 years through students who just completed 6th grade.

For rides in the Bogata area call Kenny Dixon at 632-5241 or Donna Jessee at 632-5946.

Bogata News is moving to the back of Masterpieces building

The Bogata News Office is moving to a new location, effective this Thursday, July 30, 1998. The new office is located in the very back of Masterpieces, the hair salon owned and operated by Robbie Marshal.

Entrance to the new location can be made by circling from City Hall's parking lot, or by going around Lyndon Horn's Barber shop, located next to Masterpieces. There is a new handrail on the steps, and customers are reminded that this room has it's own entrance, located at the back of the building. Not through the beauty shop's front entrance.

Signs are being posted directing customers to the office, and for customer convenience there is now a mailbox marked "Bogata News Drop Box" for drive up convenience. Any news items may be left there.

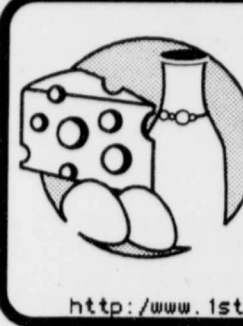
Judy Screws, Bogata News Editor, invites everyone to drop by and see the new premises.



Editor's Quotes
It is always so easy to find fault if we do not have to assume responsibility.

One of the most difficult things to give away is kindness, it is usually returned....
Positive Outlook by Vera Hill

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Country Cooking
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Too hot to cook on these hot, hot days! These recipes are summer standards and great for picnics. They go well with both cold and grilled meats and can also make a meal by themselves. Can be readily packed for the road and actually improve flavor after standing for several hours. Be sure to follow directions for refrigeration of these recipes, due to the heat.

Our recipes this week are for popular summer salads. Most can now be purchased in deli cases at your local supermarket, but of course are better homemade. You have a choice of fresher ingredients, no preservatives and just the right combination of added spices and seasonings that your family prefers. Also saves money in the long run, by making yourself.

Caponata - this recipe is loaded with vegetables and lots of spices for a tasty dish.

Macaroni Salad - a wide variety of these salads can now be found in deli cases in most stores. They can be changed by adding different meats, veggies and other goodies! Resist the temptation to dump in bottled dressings... take the time to mix up

your own oil and vinegar for the best taste.

Fruit Salad - keep fruit in bite-sized pieces and not into a slush. Keep in fridge for a pick-me-up during the day or after a meal for a light dessert. If your fruit is not ripe when you buy it, place in a brown paper bag for a couple of days to help to ripen.

Potato Salad - there are many delicious ways to prepare this salad. This one uses hard boiled eggs and avoid overcooking the potatoes. Marinating the potatoes in oil and vinegar while they are still warm makes all the difference in flavor and use a good quality of mayonnaise.

Cole Slaw - again another variety of favorite ways to prepare this dish. ... everyone has their own recipe, added ingredient to make it special. ... celery seed. Shred your cabbage and carrot with a knife, a box grater or food processor, depending on the texture you prefer. Don't drown in dressing and keep it chilled for best flavor!

Three-Bean Salad - you either like this salad or not! Keeps well in fridge. Instead of parsley, try dill and top with crumbled cheese and chopped walnuts.

Red River County Roots

This week's query is from Mrs. Garland Preston, 610 Moore, Blossom, Texas 75416. She is researching the Preston family of Red River County. William Robert Preston settled in Annona and his wife was Josephine Wagley. William Oscar, possibly their oldest child, was born in the mountains of AR, while the family was traveling to TX. William had two brothers and they all three fought in the Civil War. One, Jim Preston, settled in Collin County, TX and was a Baptist minister. William Oscar Preston married Jessie Estella Holt, daughter of Thomass and Nannie Wilbert Simmons Holt, in 1888 in Red River County. The children of William Oscar and Jessie Preston were Robert Crutcher, Eugene Wilmot "Jack" May, Oscar Ewell, Veda, Harless Eastman, Uda, Ruby and Tommie. After William Oscar's death, Jessie married E.T. Pruitt.

If you would like to write Mrs. Preston, please write her at the above address.

If you have a query you would like to have placed in this column, please send it to the Red River County Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 516, Clarksville, Texas 75426



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Notice
Alcoholics Anonymous meets every Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. in the St. Joseph's Catholic Church Rec. Room in Clarksville. Everyone is Welcome.

Good prayers never come creeping home. I am sure I shall receive either what I ask or what I should ask.
Joseph Hall

Red River Valley Fair is to be "A Family Affair"

New at the fair this year is the Egg Art Contest that will be open to anyone wishing to enter any kind of egg art (wood, plastic or real; shell only please). Real eggs may be chicken eggs, emu or ostrich or bird eggs. The eggs must be decorated in the theme of this year's fair "A Family Affair". Eggs may be painted on the outside or be open egg shells decorated or painted inside. Entries will be received Monday, August 24 from 2 to 6 p.m. at the West Side Exhibit Building at the Red River Valley Fair Park in Paris and will be displayed throughout the dates of the fair. All egg exhibits must have been completed by the exhibitor since September 1, 1997 to be entered. Entry forms may be obtained from the Red River Valley Fair office.

There are several first time contests available this year. One is the Antiques are Precious senior citizens talent contest. The contests will be held on Tuesday, August 25 at the coliseum stage. Contestants should

provide their own props and cassette or compact disks for use on a player that will be provided. Contestants should arrive and be entered by 5:30 p.m. at the stage area. The contest will begin at 6 p.m. and will be judged with first, second and third place contestants receiving cash prizes. The contest will feature music, singing, dance, juggling, short skits and other talent that might be available in the area. Entry forms may be obtained at the fair office.

The Livestock Division rule books and Creative Arts, Crafts, Baked Goods, Gardening and Horticulture rule books are back from the printer. They are available free of charge at the fair office in the West Side Exhibit Building.

The lamb, heifer and steer shows will be TCCA sanctioned this year.

If you have questions concerning the rules, feel free to call the office at 785-7971.

See you at the fair.

Red River Valley Fair Schedule

- August 24**
- Before 3 p.m. Items for Country Store
- 2-6 p.m. "Save Our World" poster contest check-in
- "Shoe Box Floats" contest check-in
- Egg Art contest check-in
- 4 p.m. Cookie Contest check-in
- 4-6 p.m. Show Off check-in
- 4:30 p.m. Cookie Contest judging
- Brownie Bake judging
- 5:30 p.m. Beans and Cornbread contest judging
- August 25**
- 8:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Plant check in for competition
- 5:30 p.m. Senior Talent Contest check-in
- 6 p.m. Senior Talent Contest judging
- August 30**
- 10a.m.-2 p.m. Items not sold must be picked up

Nursing school graduation is August 12 at PJC

Paris Junior College Vocational Nursing Department will hold graduation ceremonies at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 12 in the Hunt Physical Education Center on the PJC campus.

Graduating students will take part in the program at the ceremonies. Following the ceremony, friends and family members are invited to join the graduates at a reception in the McLemore Student Center Ballroom.

Memory is not wisdom; idiots can by rote repeat volumes. Yet what is wisdom without memory?
Tupper

July 30, 1998 Hot Weather Salads

Caponata
1-1/2 cup flour
2 small or one large eggplant
1/2-1 cup olive oil
2-3 stalks celery-cubed
1 large sweet onion-diced
1 large red pepper-cut in small squares
2 large cloves garlic-minced
2 cups tomato puree-fresh or canned
1/4 cup red wine vinegar
2 tablespoons brown sugar
2 tablespoons pignoli-toasted
3 tablespoons capers
1/2 cup pitted, sliced oil-cured black olives
1/2 cup chopped fresh parsley
salt and red pepper flakes to taste

Peeleggplant and cut into cubes. Sauté in olive oil until cooked and light brown, about 10 minutes. Remove from heat and set aside. Sauté celery, onion, pepper and garlic in remaining olive oil, stirring carefully to keep from sticking; add more oil as necessary. When celery and onions are soft, add tomato puree, vinegar and brown sugar and cook for 15 minutes. Add the eggplant and cook over low heat for about 10 minutes. Add toasted pignoli, capers, olives and parsley to mixture. To mix flavors simmer about 10 minutes more. Add salt and pepper to taste. Cool and serve at room temperature.

Macaroni Salad
1/2 pound macaroni or other pasta
1/2 cup olive oil
2 tablespoons red wine vinegar
1 cup chopped scallions
1 large sweet pepper-diced
1 pint red cherry tomatoes-cut in half
1 cup fresh peas or snap peas with pods
1/2 cup black pitted olives
1/2 cup chopped fresh herbs such as parsley, basil or cilantro
1/2 cup mayonnaise
1 cup cubed cheese
salt and cayenne pepper to taste

Cook pasta in boiling water until tender. Drain and transfer to a large bowl and immediately add oil as needed to keep pasta from sticking together. Add remaining ingredients and toss gently and season to taste. Serve chilled.

Fruit Salad
1 large juice lemon
1/4 cup sugar or mild honey
2 red, green or yellow apples cored and cut into pieces
1 large or 2 small ripe pears-cored and chunked
1 banana-halved lengthwise
2 peeled kiwis-chunked
2 cups melon balls

2 peaches, nectarines, plums
1 cup whole berries
1 cup seedless red or green grapes

In a large bowl, whisk together the lemon juice and sweetener. This acidic mixture will keep the fruit from browning for a few hours or overnight. Add the fruit, one kind at a time and toss gently after each addition. If it seems too dry, add a splash of fresh orange juice.

Potato Salad
2-3 pounds potatoes
salt and pepper
1/4 cup olive oil
2 tablespoons vinegar
3 hard boiled eggs
1/4 cup chopped fresh parsley or dill
1/4 cup chopped chives or scallions
2-3 stalks celery
1 cup mayonnaise

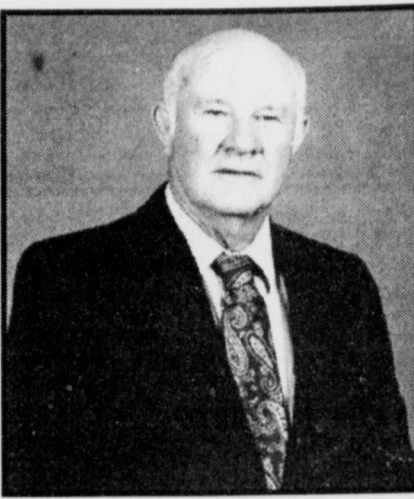
Steam potatoes until tender in about 2 inches salted water. Drain and cool. While still warm, cube and place in large bowl. Season with salt and pepper and add oil and vinegar, whipped into vinaigrette. Toss gently and let potatoes marinate while you peel and chop eggs. Add eggs, herbs, celery to potatoes and then just enough mayonnaise, salt and pepper to taste. Chill until ready to serve.

Cole Slaw
6 cups shredded cabbage
1-2 carrots-peeled and shredded
1/4 cup sweet onion
salt and cayenne pepper to taste
1/2 teaspoon celery seed
1 cup dressing: half mayonnaise/half yogurt

Toss shredded cabbage and carrots with onion and d spices. Stir in just enough dressing to moisten salad.

Three-Bean Salad
1/4 cup mild vinegar
1/2 cup olive oil
1/4 teaspoon dry mustard
salt and pepper to taste
1/2 pound fresh green beans
1/2 pound fresh wax beans
1 can red kidney beans
1 small red onion
1 large red or green pepper-cored and diced
1/4 cup diced parsley

In large mixing bowl, whisk together vinegar, olive oil, mustard, salt and pepper. Cook the fresh beans in small amount of salted water, just until tender-crisp. Drain and rinse kidney beans. Toss the hot beans, drained beans, onion, pepper and parsley with dressing. Add salt if necessary. Chill covered to let flavors combine.



J. Pete Davidson dies July 20
J. Pete Davidson of Winters died July 20. He was the son of Samuel Henry (Jake) and Verna Bartlett Davidson. He was born January 3, 1912 in Fulbright and his family moved to Winters when he was a small child.

He owned and operated a cotton gin and also farmed and ranched.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his sister, Bonnie Davis.

His survivors are daughters, Nona Burton of Ballinger, Marta Lee Dunn of Galveston, Robbie Puckett of Plano and a son, Jay of Abilene. Several cousins also survive.

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Mrs. James Cunningham dies July 21

Mrs. James (Dorothy Short) Cunningham, age 77 of Paris died Tuesday, July 21 at McCuiston Regional Medical Center.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Thursday in Fry and Gibbs Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Gifford Long and the Rev. Glynn Vickers officiating. Burial was in Meadowbrook Memorial Gardens.

Ms. Cunningham was born March 1, 1921 in the Shady Grove community, the daughter of the late Samuel C. and Jessie Lucinda Hodges Short. She was a graduate of Deport, Paris Junior College and East Texas State University. She taught school in Ashland, Petty, Deport and West Lamar. She retired in 1979 after 37 years of teaching. She was a member of the Retired Teachers Association.

She was married to James Harlin Cunningham October 4, 1946 in Deport. They resided in Petty until 1979 when they moved to Paris. She was a member of the Calvary United Methodist Church and of its Loyalty Sunday School class.

Surviving are her husband; a sister, Henrietta Short Watts of Paris; a brother, Samuel C. Short II of Paris and a number of nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by two sisters, Mrs. Johnnie Allen and Mrs. Earline Wilson and by a brother, Morris W. "Jack" Short.

Named to serve as bearers were Jimmy Doyle, Billy Doyle, Sammy Short, Jimmy Slayden, Dustin Blount and Henry Slagle.

Rachel A. Sain dies July 24

Rachel A. Sain, age 92 of Reno, Lamar County, died Friday, July 24 at Red River Healthcare Center in Bogata.

Services were held at 10:00 a.m. Monday, July 27 in the chapel of Fry-Gibbs Funeral Home with the Rev. Robert Myre officiating. Interment followed in Restland Cemetery in Cunningham.

Mrs. Sain was born March 15, 1906 in the Cunningham community, a daughter of Marion A. and May Farris Posey. She was retired from Talco Public Schools and a member of the United Pentecostal Church of Christ of Paris.

She married Norman E. Sain on October 14, 1923 in Cunningham.

Surviving are her husband of Reno; a brother, Kennety Posey of Houston; two sisters, Goldie Brown of Kirkland, NM and Ollie Guthrie of Talco; and numerous nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Charlie Posey and Buford Posey and by a sister, Ida DeShong.

Serving as bearers were Roy Oliver, Carl Mac Williams, Ronny Williams, Jim Lawrence, Bob Bolton and Arlton Bristow.

Fry-Gibbs Funeral Home had charge of arrangements.

Card of Thanks

Thank you all for my cards, telephone cards, visits and food since my surgery.

When you are in your nineties you may be surrounded by friends and loved ones like we have.

Sincerely,
Walker and Willie Devlin

Card of Thanks

We would like to thank everyone for the kindness extended to us during the illness and death of our loved one, **Murl Roach**. Whether you called, came by, sent a card, flowers or food or remembered us in your prayers, we are sincerely grateful.

A special thank you to the ladies of First Baptist Church for the delicious lunch, to Reverend Freddie Burden for his kind words, to Mikel Haynes, Kristi Cawley, Gayle Roach, Mollie Williams, Lisa Wright and Susan Roach for the beautiful music to Carol Dawson and Doris Elmore for service beyond the call of duty, to McCuiston Hospice for their guidance and fine care and to James and Tim Wood for their help and professionalism.

May God richly bless each of you.

Evelyn Roach
Judy & Donald Screws & family
Philip & Susan Roach & family
John & Cokie Roach & family

Elvin M. Perdue dies July 22

Elvin M. (Bob) Perdue died July 22 in Dallas. Memorial services were held at the Byrum Funeral Home Chapel in Lancaster on July 25 at 10:00 a.m. with Rev. Albert Lee Green officiating. Graveside services were held at Woodland Cemetery in Detroit where interment was made.

Mr. Perdue was born June 6, 1930 in Addielou to the late James Marshall Perdue and Mary Emma Coble Perdue. He was a retired law enforcement officer, retiring from the Dallas County Sheriff's Department in 1985 and he operated a grocery store for several years after that.

He married Nina Sue Meers on June 27, 1950 in Norman, Ok and she survives at their home in Lancaster. He is also survived by one son, Bobby Glenn and a daughter-in-law Sandra Joyce and three grandchildren and one brother, William Perdue of Detroit. He was preceded in death by two brothers and three sisters.

Active bearers were members of the Dallas County Sheriff's Department Honor Guard. Honorary bearers were members of the Dallas County Sheriff's Department and members of the Decker Deputy Association.

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TNMP receives approval on plan for competition

The Public Utility Commission of Texas granted approval of Texas-New Mexico Power Company's proposed transition plan. This voluntary plan is the first that will result in competition in Texas. As a result of this approval, all of the company's Texas residential and commercial customers will receive refunds retroactive to January 1, 1998.

TNMP's plan includes residential rate reductions totaling 9% during the five year transition period. A 3% reduction will be effective immediately upon the signing of the final order, which will provide refunds of the company's Texas customers back to January, 1998. Commercial rates will be reduced by one percent over the same period. Customers will receive similar reductions in January 2000 and January 2001.

Other elements of the transition plan include:

A five year transition period. In 2002, TNMP will formally request the implementation of the customer choice program and specify how any remaining stranded costs could be recovered.

Earnings capped at an 11.25% return. Excess earnings generally will be shared between customer refunds and stranded cost recovery.

Recovery of stranded costs related to the company's investment in its lignite-fueled power plant.

A reasonable cap on Operations and Maintenance expenses.

Provisions for a pilot program, for which a schedule is being drafted.

The PUC is expected to issue a written order in approximately three to six weeks, which will have an effective date of July 22, 1998.

Cunningham News

By Linda Anderson
652-3502 or 652-2059



Mike Esther from Allegany, Oregon is visiting Erbert Hume for a few days.

Carlos, Wendy, Cord and Consuelo Ordorica, Rusty, Cindy, Marty, Susan and Kerri Anderson went to Galveston and Acuna, Mexico this weekend. Carlos' mother was returning home after a three week visit.

Lowell Ford of Austin visited his parents, Leonard and Billie Ford this weekend. They visited Kaylyn Ford of Denton Saturday, who has just been promoted as manager of the County Seat Store in the Mall at Denton.

Lillian King, Tammy and Shirlene Owens and Larien Wach and family of Kansas visited Leonard and Billie Jo Ford Sunday.

Crissy Williams and Bryan visited her father, Charles Michael Williams

and grandparents, Charles and Carol Jean Williams on Saturday.

Neva Oats and Marie Watson visited Alma Norwood in Red River Healthcare Center in Bogata Friday and enjoyed lunch at the 909 Diner.

Frankie, Julie, Caleb and Layton Norwood are in Wichita Falls attending an Ag Conference meeting.

Logan Norwood is spending the week with Billy Ray and Neva Oats while his parents are away.

Shane and Debbie Cole and children of Hillsboro visited her parents, Dean and Glenda Watson Saturday.

Amber Norwood and Crystal Davis are attending volleyball camp this week.

James and Pat Norwood went to Ruidoso, NM to visit Carlsbad Caverns and other points of interest.

Milton News

By Mattylu Upchurch

Robbie Slaton visited Nell Wolf Wednesday afternoon.

Visiting over the weekend with Harold and Nell Shull and Nannie Ham were Charles and Sara Ham from Palestine, Gerald Ham from Oklahoma City.

Visiting from Shreveport with Nannie Ham and the Shulls was Kathy Bruno.

Edna Talley's grandkids from Mesquite visited this week, Ethan and Nikki.

Brittney Pettit and friend, Christen of DeSoto are spending a few days with Buena and Bob Marshall.

Edna Lee, Patsy Merritt, Glenda Woodall and Mallory Woodall went to Queen City Saturday for a funeral of a family friend and visited with Claudell Powell.

Betty Warden of Brookston visited Mattylu Upchurch Saturday afternoon.

Nita Bowling attended a manager seminar in Dallas Thursday and Friday.

Aaron Bell of Paris spent Thursday and Friday with his grandmother, Velma and John M. Temple.

Tim Parks of Faight spend Sunday with his grandparents, James and Dorothy Holt.

The family of Frank and Edna Lee enjoyed an ice cream supper Friday, celebrating the birthdays of Frank Lee, Ruth Johnson, three grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Scott and Misty Childs of Plano visited Mattylu Upchurch Saturday evening.

John and Velma Temple visited over the weekend with his children, Paul and Jan Temple of Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Casey and children of Carrollton and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Watson and children of Plano.

Weekend guests of Ann and Sheldon Lee were Kathy, Rachel and Andrew Ferguson of Galveston. During their visit, they enjoyed dinner at the Fish Fry and touring and shopping in Jefferson and the Pottery Mart in Marshall. Andrew also visited friends in Blossom.

Spending the weekend with Bob and Buena Marshall and celebrating Bob's birthday Sunday were their children and grandchildren, Ronny Pettit of Irving, John and Susan Pettit, Ashley and friend Christen of DeSoto, Mark Marshall and Jessica of Lewisville, Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Marshall, Christie and Ron Jr. of Seagoville and Bobby and Carlee Dodson of Lewisville.

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McConnell reunion held

The descendants of Annie Waddell & Will McConnell held their annual reunion at noon on Saturday, July 25 at the Community Center in Thomas Park. The McConnells and Waddells settled in Red River County between 1869 and 1884 and many members of this large, extended family reside there today.

Vernon McConnell of Talco offered the noon blessing before approximately 85 family and friends enjoyed the covered dish meal. Two large exhibits displayed photos of the early family. A special group highlighted the Civil War re-enactment and monument dedication held in November, 1997 for Lee Privett, Will McConnell's grandfather.

Following lunch, George Alspaugh of Tennessee and husband of Ruth Butler Alspaugh, descendant of Lena McConnell, updated the James family line which has been traced to the 1600's in Wales. Wanza McConnell Person of Mississippi reported on her trip to Austin in March with Melanie McConnell Klein to review family documents in the State Archives and General Land Office. They toured the Texas State Cemetery and located the grave of William Waddell, a Confederate Civil War soldier and uncle of Annie Waddell McConnell, who settled near Maple in 1869. Former Texas governors and heros are also buried there.

Rick Baird of Cuthand and Melanie McConnell Klein ended the program with a question game they called "Name that Relative" with custom T-shirts given as prizes.

For 25 years, various generations have done genealogy research and an extensive family history and memory book is planned for publication during the next three years. If

local residents are willing to share special McConnell memories or photos for duplication, please contact a family member in Bogata for more information.

Attending from out of state were Bobby Jo and Robert McConnell of Vicksburg, Mississippi, Wanza McConnell Person of Benton, Mississippi, Jeanne and Billy McConnell of Yazoo City, Barbara and David Bailey and Cindy Bailey of Little Rock, and Ruth and George Alspaugh of Columbia, Tennessee. Those signing the register from Red River County were Gracie Bankston, Edmond McConnell, Sammie and Sam McConnell, Truman and Elaine Baird, Doris Whitten, Wilma Phelps, Willis Williams Clark, Carol and John English, Jessica Whitney, Wayne Williams, Annette and Charles Skaggs, Tina and Donnie Gentry with D.J. and Dustin, Joshua Gentry, Ferby and Rick Baird with Lillian and Eric, and Betty and Bobby Williams. Also attending were Vernon McConnell from Talco, Lillian Watkins of Deport, Marty Reeves and Cammie and Jeremy Rounsavall of Kilgore and Carolyn, Stephanie and Paul Allen Jones from Stanton. From Longview were Sonja Smith and Segayle, Byron and Jerb McConnell and Jennifer, Haley, Rachel and Meagan McConnell. Attending from Mt. Pleasant were Kena and Jimmy Smith with Justin and Kaylee and Virginia Foster and Garrett Thomas.

Others attending were Dwight Clark with Naiches and Shane from Gilmer, Coletta Williams McKel from Dallas, Robby Sands and family from Midland and Melanie and Ken Klein of Whitehouse. In 1999 the McConnell reunion will be held the fourth Saturday in July.

April 9th papers were apparently lost in the mail

April 9, 1997 will be a date stuck in our minds here at Thunder Prairie Publishing for a long, long time.

Back in April we had numerous calls that subscribers from all five of our newspapers had failed to receive that issue.

We were at a loss to understand what had happened, as we had most certainly put the newspapers into the mail. Detroit's were mailed from Detroit, Bogata's from Bogata, Deport's from Deport Post Office, etc. Our out of state customers received their papers, our local customers within the immediate counties received theirs. But, elsewhere across the state people didn't receive the April 9th edition of their newspaper.

Then last week, they did receive them! That's right, we have had dozens and dozens of people call, write or E-Mail us to inform us that they just now received their April 9th edition of the paper!

Some of them thought we had mailed out a bundle of old papers.

That is not the case. As best we can figure out the Post Office lost an entire pallet of mail sacks, or they were covered by other mail...or something. We don't know what happened. Neither does the post office. It can't have happened on a local level because they were mailed from different post offices! It has to have happened at a distribution point (where we seem to have frequent delayed delivery problems too).

It's a strange happening, and nothing like it has ever occurred on such a large scale before.

As I said last week, hang on, the Post Office has formed a committee to study the problems that periodical class mailing is experiencing. Hopefully, things will get better. For now, all we can assure our readers of is that we mail on Wednesday night, every week, without fail. We bag, bundle and tag to the best of our ability, and we hope for the best. Beyond that, it is out of our hands and in the hands of the United States Postal Service.

VBS balloons found in Daingerfield

One of the balloons released on July 13 from the Vacation Bible School held at the First Baptist Church in Bogata reached its destination.

The balloon was found by Mrs. Pat Jacobs in Daingerfield, Texas on July 15. Mrs. Jacobs stated she walks each day in their pasture around their home and the balloon was not intact,

but the note and ribbon caught her eye.

Mrs. Jacobs lives two miles north-east of Daingerfield and calculates the balloon traveled approximately 50 miles. Bro. Park Robertson said, "This balloon demonstrates just how easy it is and how many methods there are to share the "Good News" that Jesus loves you around this world".

Tri-Water customers urged to conserve

Tri-Water Company has asked their customers to do all outside watering after 10:00 p.m. or before 6:00 a.m. daily. According to management the company has received little or no cooperation on this issue.

Customers who have been watering will, of course, see an increase in their bills but the company needs its customers cooperation to avoid a mandatory rationing of water.

Again every Tri-Water consumer is urged to cooperate throughout the dry weather.

Lions Club hosts bingo

Bogata Lions club hosted bingo at Red River Healthcare Center this week.

Residents winning games were Dorothy Watkins, Raymon Mauldin, Stasha Hume, Jimmie Duffiie, Tommie Woods, Nina Hudson, George Hancock and Jettie Minshew.

Lions Club members assisting were Buck and Betty Ramsey, Coy Coker, and W.T. Harbison.

Students to drug test Aug. 3

Students in the Talco-Bogata and Rivercrest Schools who want to participate in athletics, band or any extracurricular activity must drug test in order to participate. The testing will be done on August 3, 1998 beginning at 10:00 a.m. at Rivercrest. The boys test will be done at the field house and the girls test will be done at the girls dressing room in the school. Students who are gone on vacation or are out of town may test at a later date provided they inform the school of their absence. For more information call Rivercrest High School at 632-5204.

People 'n Things

Thursday, July 30

The Cuthand Methodist Church will hold a Vacation Bible School from 9:00 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. with the program at 6:30 p.m. in the evening. For rides in the Bogata area call Kenny Dixon at 632-5241 or Donna Jessee at 632-5946.

Third Tuesday of each month
Bogata Lions Club sponsors Bingo at Red River Healthcare Center. Lions Club members should volunteer to help when they can.

Notice
Alcoholics Anonymous meets every Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. in the St. Joseph's Catholic Church Rec. Room in Clarksville. Everyone is welcome.

Rivercrest 1998 Seniors are urged to come to the school and pick up their graduation pictures.

Rivercrest High School Freshman and new student orientation will be held Aug. 6 at 7:00 p.m. at the Rivercrest cafeteria. Parents and students are urged to attend.

Amber Spencer named to list

Amber Lee Spencer of Bogata, a food and nutrition dietetics major, has been named to the Dean's List at Stephen F. Austin State University for the spring semester.

In order to be eligible for this honor, a student must be enrolled in a minimum of 12 semester hours and maintain an excellent grade point average.

4-Way stop to be installed

According to Glen Daniel of the Area Engineer's office, effective Monday, August 3, there will be a four way stop at the intersection of U. S. Highway 271 and State Highway 37 in Bogata.

After school starts, another survey will be done in reference to a traffic signal at that intersection.

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(Back) Coaches Kenneth Spangler and Johnny Swarts; (middle from the left) Melissa Brown, Courtney Carraway, Kendra Hicks, Joanie Swarts, Tasha Brown and Stephanie Green; (front from the left) Candace Yaross, Katie Hare, Carmen Conder, Leslie Spangler and Ashley Hart.

Red River Valley All Stars to represent Texas

The Red River Valley All Stars in the Dixie Debs Division, age 16-17-18, earned the title of State Champions last week at the State Tournament held in Terrell, Texas. The girls coached by Johnny Swarts, Kenneth Spangler and Mike Yaross will travel to Sulphur Springs beginning Friday, July 31 with an opening ceremony and playing their first game vs Florida on Saturday, August 1.

The girls played Franklin County on Saturday, their first game in the State meet and after a tough game took an 18-17 win. Pitcher, Katie Hare was used up in the game and had to be held off the mound for the official number of hours before returning to pitch. On Sunday the girls

met Sherman and took an easy 18-3 win. Tasha Brown and Candace Yaross served as pitchers. On Tuesday the girls played Jasper and took a runaway score of 24-2. On Wednesday they met Paris and the competition stiffened but the Red River team held on to take a 15-10 win.

The final game was expected to be played between Red River and Franklin County but the Mt. Vernon girls were upset by Jasper. On Thursday the Red River team played Jasper for first place. Jasper had come back through the bracket to make it into the final game and gave their all on the field but the Red River team behind the pitching of Katie Hare held a 9-4 lead at the games end. Also

serving as pitchers for the team throughout the tourney were Ashley Hart and Courtney Carraway.

States represented in the World Series games will be Florida, Mississippi, Alabama, Virginia, Tennessee, Arkansas, Louisiana, North and South Carolina, Georgia, Kentucky and Texas, our young ladies from Talco, Bogata, Deport and Detroit. The girls are; Katie Hare and Tasha Brown of Bogata, Joanie Swarts of Talco, Stephanie Green and Melissa Brown of Detroit, Candace Yaross, Leslie

Spangler, Ashley Hart, Courtney Carraway, Kendra Hicks, Carmen Conder all from the Deport team. Everyone is encouraged to come out and support our local girls.

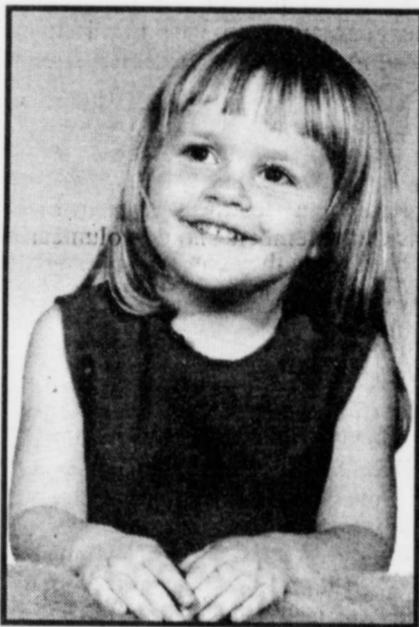
The team will play their first game against Florida on Saturday, August 1st at 7:00 p.m.

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Leslie Michelle Johnson Wright

Surprise party honors Leslie Wright

Leslie Michelle Johnson Wright was honored with a surprise birthday party by her family on Wednesday, July 22, 1998.

The party was held at Leslie's home in Talco and was set up by her husband, Shane, who lured her away so the surprise could be set up. Although Leslie stated she knew something was up she was very surprised to see her guests. Attending and enjoying a hamburger supper with all the trimmings, armadillo eggs and birthday cake were special guest and Leslie's best friends, Cindy Davis Martin, Lisa Wilkerson Allen and Judy Gray Holt, also attending were; Shane, Alex and Jacob Wright, Vickie Bryant, Scott Johnson, Jason, Karen and Brian Johnson, Karen and Johnny Jones, Denise Wood, Mayra and Doug Clark, Luke and Jesi, Marta Rhoades and Robert Caul, Mona Wright, Harold, Heather and Heath Holt, Lane and Samantha Allen, Camill and Logan Wright. Leslie received many nice gifts to mark her 27th birthday.

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Adult Diabetes Support Group	August 4, Tuesday, 6:00 p.m.	Cafeteria
Better Breather's Club	August 26, Wednesday, 1:30 p.m.	Auditorium
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JOHNTOWN LOCALS
 By Jana Hawkins
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Douglas Hawkins visited David and Delores Potter on Saturday. Sonny Gibbs and Haley Hawkins enjoyed going skating in Paris on Sunday.

Jana, Haley and Heather Hawkins enjoyed shopping in Mt. Pleasant Saturday.

Kyla Harville spent the night Saturday with Drue and Billie Pirtle. Robin, Jesse, Kelley, Jacob and Kristin Harville spent Sunday afternoon with Drue and Billie Pirtle.

Tuesday Robbie Hawkins and Billie Pirtle met Lana Pirtle and Matt Buchheit in Longview at the Olive Garden.

Fifteen members of the Johtown Missionary Baptist Church traveled to Mt. Pleasant Wednesday to Revival Services at Damascus MBC where Bro. David Snelson was preaching.

Weekend visitors of Drue and Billie Pirtle were Clay Pirtle, Jeff and Brian Harville.

Thursday night dinner guests of Donald and Freda Jean were David Lynn and Hillary Barrett.

Friday night dinner guests of Donald and Freda Jean were Boyd, Kay, Haley and Josh Griffin.

Freda Jean and Nadine Cabell met Kathy Riddle last Wednesday in Greenville at the Red Lobster.

Harold, Dana, Kala, Tara and Taylor Neeley enjoyed visiting and swimming with Terry, Ginger, Courtney and Lee Jordan in Deport Friday night. Harold, Dana, Kala, Tara and Taylor Neeley enjoyed a hamburger and ice cream supper with Martha, Karl, April and Ashley Kuhle Saturday night.

Sunday night guests of Harold and Dana Neeley were: Kenneth and Mary Lynn Palmer, Aaron Palmer, Adam and Colby Horn, Donald, Freda, Mitchell, and Sarah Jean, Billy Jordan, Calvin and Myra Permenter, Ryan Darla, Holly and Allix Brunson and Heather and Haley Hawkins. Myra Permenter visited Monday evening with Dana Neeley.

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Red River Valley National Dixie Belles

From left, front row: Erica Williams, Molly Hare, Krystal Valenzuela, Lacy Vincil, Tina Carder and Sandy Brown. Back row, from left: Kim Shirley, Cheryl Griffin, Jennifer Hays, Kim Ross, Jamie Daniels and Laci Taylor. Coaches, from left: Mark Hare, Rancy Hollis and Ricky Daniels.

RHS Booster Club meeting held

The Rivercrest Booster Club members met Tuesday, July 21 at RHS. Officers for the coming year were elected. They are: President-Kay Ross, Vice President-Linda Brown, Secretary-Julie Childres and Treasurer-Tracie Osborne.

The group discussed fund raisers for the coming year and voted to sell seat cushions and hope to use local businesses as sponsors. The cushions will cost \$5.00 each and the group hope to have them ready by the first

football scrimmage at Rivercrest.

Motion was made and carried to sponsor a hamburger supper at the first scrimmage game at Rivercrest which will be Aug. 21 vs James Bowie. The burgers, chips and a drink will be sold for \$3.50 per plate.

The meeting adjourned with the next meeting set for Aug. 11 at 6:30 p.m. at Rivercrest High School. Everyone is invited to attend and become active members of the club.

Dixie Belles finish runner-up

The Red River National Dixie Belles finished as runner-up in District 14. The tournament was held in Mt. Vernon, Texas June 26-July 1. The team was defeated in the championship round by the Mt. Vernon team with a score of 7-6. Mt. Vernon advanced to the State Tournament in Terrell, Texas and finished as State runner-up to champions, Livingston.

This is the third consecutive year the Red River Valley Nationals have been named District runner-up. Other teams competing in the tournament were: Mt. Vernon, Hopkins County National, Hopkins County American, Mt. Pleasant, Red River Valley American and Red River Valley National.

Team members and their respective towns were: Erica Williams, Molly Hare, Krystal Valenzuela, Tina Carder, Kim Shirley, Jennifer Hays, Kim Ross and Jamie Daniels all of Bogata, Cheryl Griffin and Laci Taylor of Talco, Lacy Vincil and Sandy Brown of Deport. The team was coached by Mark Hare, Ricky Daniels and Randy Hollis.

Lady Rebels attend camp

Seven Lady Rebels attended TVEC basketball camp this week and report a great week.

Candias Nickerson, Kim Shirley, Cheryl Griffin, Cara Morgan, Jennifer Hays, Jessica Rose and Ashley Beers all worked hard and were successful at the camp making the All Star games and winning the 3 on 3 tournament, Hot Shot Champions. 1

on 1 finalists, were just some of the successes the Lady Rebels had.

The camp at Athens, Tx. held by Couch Budke and the TVEC ladies, who are the National Champions and have been runners up for the last five years in college play. Coach Debbie Williams said, "This camp really helped in every aspect and the Lady Rebels attending did a good job!"

Sounds like a tall tale to me

By Nanalee Nichols
 Bunky Smith dropped by the other day with a little story. Anyone who knows Bunky will be able to just picture this.

It seems he had Dr. Sam Kelsey come out to do a little veterinarian work for him. All the time the vet was there Bunky's dogs circled his pickup truck barking and raising Cain.

After getting through they decided to see what they were so excited about. Dr. Kelsey and Bunky discovered the doctor's cat had ridden all the way there on the spare tire. They had

to get the dogs away, take off the tire and recover the cat.

A week or so later, Dr. Kelsey was back at the Smith's, this time accompanied by his wife.

Bunky's dogs began their barking and circling the truck again. Suzy Kelsey said "I wonder what your dogs are having such a fit about, Bunky?"

Bunky leaned back, scratched his head and said "Well, I reckon they're just doing a cat scan on your truck!"

Now that's a story too good not to print!

Melanie Williams is honored with shower

Melanie Williams, bride-elect of Donald Poole, was honored with a Pampered Chef bridal shower Saturday, July 25, at the home of her grandmother, Alice Martin.

Guests enjoyed eating baked chicken, stuffed mushrooms, Swedish meat, chicken ring, mixed fruit and apple tart, all prepared by Alice Martin and Wanda Bradley.

Melanie was presented with a pampered consultant, Wanda Bradley and all the guests signed the apron.

The couple received many nice gifts.

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Ruby Horn honored July 25, 1998

Mrs. Ruby Horn was honored July 25, 1998 with a birthday party at the Hagansport Community Center. Mrs. Horn celebrated her 87th birthday with family and friends.

Attending were Linden and Jo Horn of Talco, Ricky, Vickie and Callie Howard, Ashley Mankins all of Mt. Pleasant, Charles and Sue Baugh of Amarillo, Leon and Sue Hall of Talco, Doris Pirtle and John Pirtle of Alvord, Tx., Walter and Linda Pirtle of Jacksboro, Tx., Reggie and Sandra

Medley of Schulenburg, Tx., Jeannie Jones of Groveton, Tx., Joe Dan Kuhl of Mt. Vernon, Roger and Carol Horn of Mt. Pleasant, Kathy Walker of Bells, Tx., Sharon Jacobs of Greenville, Jeanne Horn of Lufkin, Tx., Lorette Tullos of Groveton, Tx., Carol and Doug Chidress of Idabel, Ok., David Horn of Mt. Pleasant, Megan, Colby and Adam Horn of Bogata, Darlene and Greg Hutchins of Paris. Guests enjoyed lunch and birthday cake. Ruby received many nice gifts.

Rivercrest students may change schedules

The Rivercrest students will have the opportunity to make any schedule changes on Aug. 3 and Aug. 4.

On Aug. 3 the Senior students may come to the school from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

The Junior students may come to the school from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

On Aug. 4 the Sophomore students may come to the school from

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

The Freshman students may come to the school from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The Freshman and new students orientation will be held on Thursday, Aug. 6 at 7:00 p.m. at the Rivercrest cafeteria. All students and their parents are urged to attend.

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 7-30

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BIG GARAGE SALE IN FULBRIGHT: Friday and Saturday, July 31-August 1. 7 a.m. Two miles off 37 on FM72. Lots of back-to-school jeans, gas cookstove, 4-15" new tires w/rims, household items and more. *7-30*

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FREE KITTENS: 903-652-4205, ask for Cindy. *nc*

Talco Locals

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Yvonne Harris underwent surgery Monday at Titus County Regional Hospital. She is reported doing well. Visitors at the Assembly of God Church on Sunday were Bro. and Mrs. Wilson Weed's daughter and three grandchildren.

Visitors with Yvonne Harris at Titus County Regional Hospital were Jimmie and Aline Fail of Palestine, Lynn and Ann Fail of Kilgore, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Harris and Landon, Ginger and Stan Bruce of Keene and parents, J.C. and Vivian Fail of Talco.

Happy August Birthdays wishes to: Tonya Hawkins, Justin Smith, Eddie Brown, Lou Hall, Mona Wright, Shelia Johnson, Lynn Fail, Shane Wright, Zonetta Hawkins, Beth Myrcle, Laci Taylor, Amber Forsyth, Trisha Pittman, Jana Weatherall, Rockey Stephenson, Ronnie Presley, Katy Stinson, Tina Nolen, Jerrica and Jessica Weatherall, Vickie Howard, Jacob Wright, Doug Wright II, and Patty Kuhl.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Pittman will celebrate their wedding anniversary Aug. 31, 1998.

Mr. and Mrs. J.P. Kernan and James Paul of Dallas spent the weekend at their home in Talco. They brought John D. Wright home following his visit with daughter and family, Sue and David Currey and children in Colorado.

Phillip Worthy, son of Olan and Susan Worthy of Mt. Pleasant was transferred to a Dallas hospital for treatment of injuries received in a care accident. He is reported doing well. Phillip is the grandson of Dorothy and the late Peanut Worthy of Talco.

Karen Jones took father-in-law, Jerry Jones to Tyler Friday for medical treatment. He is reported doing well.

The Calvary Baptist Church R.A.'s ages 11 and up attended camp at the Lone Star Baptist Encampment Wednesday through Saturday. The group were sponsored by Steve and Eric Hall.

Ricky Nolen was hospitalized at Paris Sunday afternoon with back pain. He is reported improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Brown, Kim and Jack attended a surprise 60th birthday party for Eddie's sister, Martha, at the home of Mary Ann and Raymond Adler in Plano Sunday. Also attending were Bobby Jack and Bobbie Brown of Quitman, Ronny and Michelle Pavlot of Dallas, Terrie and Mark Tatum, Mark and Nick of Plano, Sue Brown, daughter, Rissa and grandson, Reed. Guests enjoyed ribs, brisket and all the trimmings and birthday cake. Martha received many nice gifts.

Evie Waldrum was hospitalized this past week with heart problems. She is reported home, back to work and doing well.

Patsy Smith underwent day surgery at Titus County Regional Hospital Thursday. She is reported doing well.

Edwina McIntosh of California is visiting this week with Mr. and Mrs. J.E. Sloan and family.

Jimmy and Lavonne Coulter of Ft. Worth visited Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Brown, Kim and Jack Thursday and Friday. Thursday evening the Coulter's, Nancy Brown and Kim and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Smith of Mt. Pleasant enjoyed supper at Vaughans Fish Fry.

Melanie Smith spent last week and this week visiting her mother and step-father, Sally and Leon Dunn and brother Aaron in Lufkin.

Weekend guests with Bill Via were Mr. and Mrs. Micky Via.

Talco School Supply List 1998-1999

PRE-KINDERGARTEN

- 1 back pack
- 2 big pencils
- 6 large Elmer's Glue (white)
- 2 boxes of 8 basic primary crayons
- 1 school box
- scissors (blunt) no plastic
- 2 boxes baby wipes
- change of clothes
- 1 box markers (washable)
- 2 pocket folders (Please put your child's name on all supplies)

KINDERGARTEN

- Change of clothes
- 1 mat
- 2 Guideline writing paper
- 2 boxes of 8 basic primary colors
- 1 pair of scissors (blunt) no plastic
- 3 large Elmer's Glue (white)
- 1 school box
- 2 boxes of Kleenex
- 2 packs of #2 pencils
- 2 pocket folders

FIRST GRADE

- 1 school box
- 2 large boxes of kleenex
- 10 #2 pencils
- 1 bottle of glue
- 1 box of 16 colors (each six weeks)
- 2 writing tablets
- 1 package of notebook paper
- 2 pocket folders
- 2 pair of scissors
- 2 large pink erasers
- 2 packages blank index cards

SECOND GRADE

- 1 School box
- 2 large boxes of kleenex
- 10 #2 pencils
- 1 large Elmer's Glue
- 1 pair of scissors (pointed)
- 1 box of 24 colors
- 4 writing tablets
- 1 package of notebook paper

- 1 pocket folder
- 1 large spiral notebook
- 1 ruler (metric)

THIRD GRADE

- 6 pencils every six weeks
- 1 school box
- 1 box crayons
- 1 box Kleenex
- 1 back pack or book bag
- 1 pair of scissors (Fishers Brand)
- 2 large spiral notebooks (wide rule)
- 2 packages notebook paper (wide rule)
- 1 box map colors
- 2 packages 3 x 5 index cards
- 1 red ink pen
- 1 large eraser
- 1 package large manila drawing paper
- 2 glue sticks
- 1 roll paper towels
- 1 large black "dry erase" marker
- 2 blue folders

FOURTH GRADE

- 1 3 inch ring binder notebook
- 1 box of crayons
- 1 box of map colors
- 1 pair of scissors
- 1 bottle of glue
- 1 box of zipper bags for supplies
- 1 ruler with both English and Metric
- 1 package of index cards (3 x 5)
- 2 packages of notebook paper
- 1 red ink pen
- 1 package of erasable ink pens
- 1 package of pencils
- 1 spiral notebook
- 2 thick highlighters
- 1 box of gallon size ziplock bags
- Old shirt for art
- P.E. clothes

FIFTH GRADE

- 1 3 inch ring binder notebook (no trapper keepers)

- 1 box crayons
- 1 box of map colors
- 1 pair of scissors
- 1 bottle of glue
- 1 box of zipper bags for supplies
- 1 ruler with both English and Metric
- 1 package of index cards (3 x 5) with lines
- 2 packages of erasable ink pens
- 2 packages of notebook paper
- 1 red ink pen
- 1 package of pencils
- 3 large 5 subject notebooks
- 1 2 inch ring binder notebook (not trapper keepers)
- 3 thick highlighters
- 1 box of gallon size ziplock bags
- Please bring an old shirt for art and shorts, shirt and shoes for P.E.
- 3 folders with brads
- 1 package of file folder
- 1 package dividers
- 1 bottle of Spice-Alum

SIXTH-SEVENTH AND EIGHTH Social Studies

- 1 package map colors
 - 1 package of markers
 - 1 pair of scissors
 - 2 folders to keep assignments
 - 1 bottle of glue
- ### Math
- 2 pencils
 - 1 large spiral notebook
 - 1 pocket notebook with brads
- ### General Supplies
- Notebook paper
 - Notebook
 - black and red pens
 - #2 pencils
 - 2 pocket folders
 - 1 large spiral notebook for 7th and 8th grade Language Arts
 - 1 pocket folder for Science

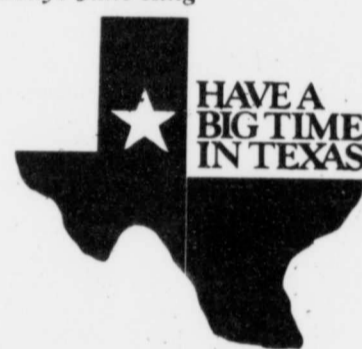
Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,
Last week on July 16, I saw your husband, Thomas, putting the Bogata papers in the rack. Since I had not seen him in several months, I went over and talked with him. I have always enjoyed talking with Thomas when he was putting out the papers. He is such a nice man.

I am so glad that your editorial dealt with the Volunteer Fire Department. Since Thomas is a volunteer fireman, you really know what goes on in the life of a volunteer. So many people never give a thought to what these people do in addition to their daily work, how many times they have given up a day of rest, outings with their families and such and spent them fighting fires, being on the scene of a wreck, trying to save someone's life, helping with fund raisers and lots of other things.

People who never give a thought to the volunteer fire and rescue units until they have an accident or a fire should open their eyes, minds and wallets and be thankful and grateful to all these persons. If you can do nothing else, at least by word or deed, let them know that they are appreciated. The life they save may be yours!

Sincerely,
Bettye Jane King



Huddleston DRAWING \$50 in Groceries Saturday, 5:00 p.m.

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<p>GOLDEN ROYAL MILK 2% & HOMO Gal. Jug \$2.59</p>	<p>KINGSFORD CHARCOAL 20 Lb. Bag \$4.99</p>	<p>PARADE MARGARINE 3 Lb. Tub 99¢</p>	<p>PARADE BISCUITS BUTTERMILK 4/\$1</p>
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<p>SPAM LUNCHEON MEAT 12 Oz. \$1.79</p>	<p>LAY'S POTATO CHIPS Reg. \$1.59 89¢</p>	<p>TIDE LAUNDRY DETERGENT 42 Ld. \$6.29</p>	<p>ORVILLE REDENBACHER'S POPCORN 10.5 Oz. \$1.49</p>
<p>BANANAS 39¢ Lb.</p> <p>TOMATOES 69¢ Lb.</p> <p>WATERMELONS \$2.99</p>	<p>POTATOES 10 Lb. Bag \$1.39</p> <p>GREEN ONIONS 4/\$1</p> <p>CANTALOUPES 89¢ Each</p>	<p>RATH HOT DOG WEINERS 12 Oz. Pkg. 2/\$1</p> <p>BOLOGNA 12 Oz. Pkg. 69¢</p>	<p>BLUE BELL ICE CREAM All Flavors 1/2 Gal. \$2.99</p> <p>SUN KIST ORANGE, NU GRAPE, BIG RED, A&W ROOT BEER 12 Pk. Cans \$2.99</p> <p>VAN CAMP PORK & BEANS 16 Oz. 3/\$1</p> <p>RANCH STYLE BEANS 15 Oz. 2/89¢</p> <p>PARADE BLACK PEPPER 4 Oz. Can 99¢</p> <p>PARADE RED PLUM JELLY & RED PLUM JAM 18 Oz. 89¢</p> <p>FRESH BAKE & FAMILY STYLE HAMBURGER & HOT DOG BUNS 79¢</p> <p>BABY RUTH & BUTTER FINGER CANDY BARS Reg Size 3/\$1</p> <p>GATORADE 32 Oz. All Flavors 99¢</p> <p>GOLD MEDAL FLOUR All Purpose 5 Lb Bag 89¢</p>
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