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By Nanalee Nichols

Ah, the Goals We Set!

Most of us set goals in life pretty regularly. Like everyone else I've had those goals and dreams of houses and cars, vacations and savings accounts, all those things that are practical or desirable. But I've realized that most of my focus is now on a different goal in life.

"What goal,?" you may ask? Well, right now my prime goal in life right now is to be able to buy and fit into any souvenir tee shirt I spy!

Is that a goal or what? Don't laugh, it's a pretty tough target to hit! You see, I have a weight problem. I've always had one, and I will have one until I'm either dead or they come up with a magical potion that will allow me to eat and not gain! Still, I'm a "slob" and I love tee shirts.

I don't like to wear any kind of knit that isn't loose, with a capital "L". I have no intention of displaying my fat rolls by stretching tee shirt material across them. So, any tee shirt I wear not only has to be a nice thick weight of fabric, but it has to be loose, loose, loose. Which means it has to be a nice, full cut XL.

Those aren't always available readily. It seems that the cute ones that have hummingbirds, or rabbits, or the cleverest sayings are only available in Small, Medium and Large. Souvenir tee shirts that have much of a feminine look invariably come in those smaller sizes.

What is left? Usually something really classy like the one I found in Colorado one time that read "Big Butt Beer" and had a picture of a big mountain sheep butting a tourist. Oh, wow, just what I wanted to bring home and wear!

Now I've been on a diet for one solid year. I've lost lots of weight. Of course, not all that is left has returned to it's previous location. That means I still have to try on every tee shirt I might be tempted to buy!

So, I've turned to exercise as well as diet, trying to make sure that if I want it and have the money I can buy it.

Slowly it seems to be working, the achievement of my goal is in sight! Yes, yes, yes, I may be able to blithely yank my favorite selection off of a rack and bring it home with me untroubled by the thought that it might not fit!

What a goal, what a life.....what a weird person I am!

Bogata Lions plan fund raiser

Saturday, November 23 the Bogata Lions Club will have a stew supper and a pie auction. Supper will be served from 5:00 until 7:00 P.M. with a pie and cake auction to follow at 7:30 P.M.

The money will go to the club's project account to help with glasses for children, scholarships and other things to help the community. The tickets will be \$3.00 per person. They can be purchased from Lions Club members.

Come out and get your supper plus pies or cakes for the holidays. Remember Thanksgiving is the following week with Christmas not far on down the road.

VFW will serve lunch Veteran's Day

Bogata VFW Post # 8187 and its auxiliary will serve lunch on Veteran's Day, November 11. Chili and all the trimmings will be served with lots of good desserts. Come out and join the fun at noon.

Booster Club honors Billie Hancock

The Rivercrest Athletic Booster Club recently presented Billie Hancock of Bogata with an honorary lifetime membership. Mrs. Hancock has been a diligent worker in the organization for many years. Due to recent health problems, she was unable to take an active role this year as

General Election holds few surprises Clinton re-elected to second term

As the nation went to the polls Tuesday, there were few surprises. President Bill Clinton won his second term as president. Lamar, Red River and Titus Counties did not always follow the Texas trend to vote for Bob Dole. In Lamar County President Clinton received 6,075 votes, Dole 6,393 and Ross Perot 1,198. In Red River County Clinton received 2,346, Dole 1,783 and Perot 433. Titus County cast their votes with 1109 for Clinton, 1045 for Dole and 102 for Perot. Clinton is the first Democrat since 1936.

Texas Senator Phil Gramm won re-election against Democrat Victor Morales, the school teacher who, without much money, challenged well known figures for the nomination in the spring to take on Gramm. Max Sandlin defeated Ed Merritt in the race for the Congressional seat.



GROUND BREAKING for St. Joseph's Family Clinic in Bogata was held Tuesday, November 5 at 3:00 p.m. Bogata City Council members Jettie Bond and Jeff Puckett, Sister Brigid Conlon, Deshina Nadarajah, Councilman Donald O'Donald, St. Joseph's Hospital and Health Center President Monty McLaurin, Bogata Mayor Mildred Eudy and Councilman Travis Harbison performed the honors. Between 60 and 70 citizens of Bogata and the surrounding area attended the event. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)

Please help preserve some precious memories

Monday is Veterans Day. For many of us, it's "just another holiday". But for many veterans it is a day to remember their time in the service to the nation.

This year we here at the newspapers tried something different. We asked for service memories. We received a number of them. More people have said they really didn't know what we wanted, or they would have written one down and submitted. What we want is what the folks with the memories want to give us!

Some of the stories we received are amusing, some serious. Some are about obvious heroes, some about those who served without actually being in a conflict. All are heroes, though.

Think about this. As time marches on, and it certainly does, many precious memories will vanish if those left behind are not careful. These memories of World War II, Korea, and beyond can be recorded more perfectly than ever in history if families or organizations would just take the time to do so.

Consider having veterans in your family write down their memories, make up a scrapbook or, best of all, sit in front of a video camcorder and tell stories they recall. They could be speaking to their grandchildren, showing photos or mementoes, uniforms or whatever they have. How precious these tapes, or written memories could become. How about adding memories from the mothers, wives, sisters or sweethearts who stayed behind to worry, wait and do their best at home? Could American Legion Posts or VFWs do the same thing so that they would create an archive? Our attempt to capture a few of these stories will, we sincerely hope, cause others to do the same. Remember, for every line in a history book there are thousands that are not recorded. Take the time to preserve history in your family, organization or town.

People & Things

Thursday, November 7 (today)
Lions Club will meet at Bogata Community Center at 7:00 P.M.

Monday, November 11
The ladies fellowship group meets in the chapel at Red River Healthcare Center at 8:00 A.M.

* At 6:00 P.M. at the Bogata School Cafeteria Children's Trust Fund of Texas will sponsor a session on Parenting Skills. Everyone is invited. Free babysitting and a free meal is included.

* Bogata VFW Post 8187 will have chili and all the trimmings with lots of good desserts. Everyone is invited to come out and enjoy the day. Serving will begin at noon.

Tuesday, November 12
Rosalie Community Center group will meet at 7:00 P.M.

Rosalie homecoming is November 16

By Jack Dodd
The calendar has kept flipping pages and here it is nearly November again. This November 16 will be a fun day for all that attend the second annual Rosalie Homecoming.

First there will be dinner on the ground, so to speak, starting about 12 noon. All that is required to be a part of this good fellowship day is a cov-

ered dish of your choice. Bring your dish for the Rosalie Community Center before 12 and get ready for the best home cooking found in East Texas.

Special music is being planned by C.D. Glass. He has the best local talent available and some so local The special music starts around 1:00 P.M. and lasts until everyone is sung out.

No cost, just a fun day for everyone. Everyone that knows where Rosalie is can bring a covered dish and join us.

Don't be left out, join all of us in a day of excitement, fun and fellowship. See you Saturday November 16 there at the Rosalie Community Center.

support of the our teams. The stickers are \$1.00 each.

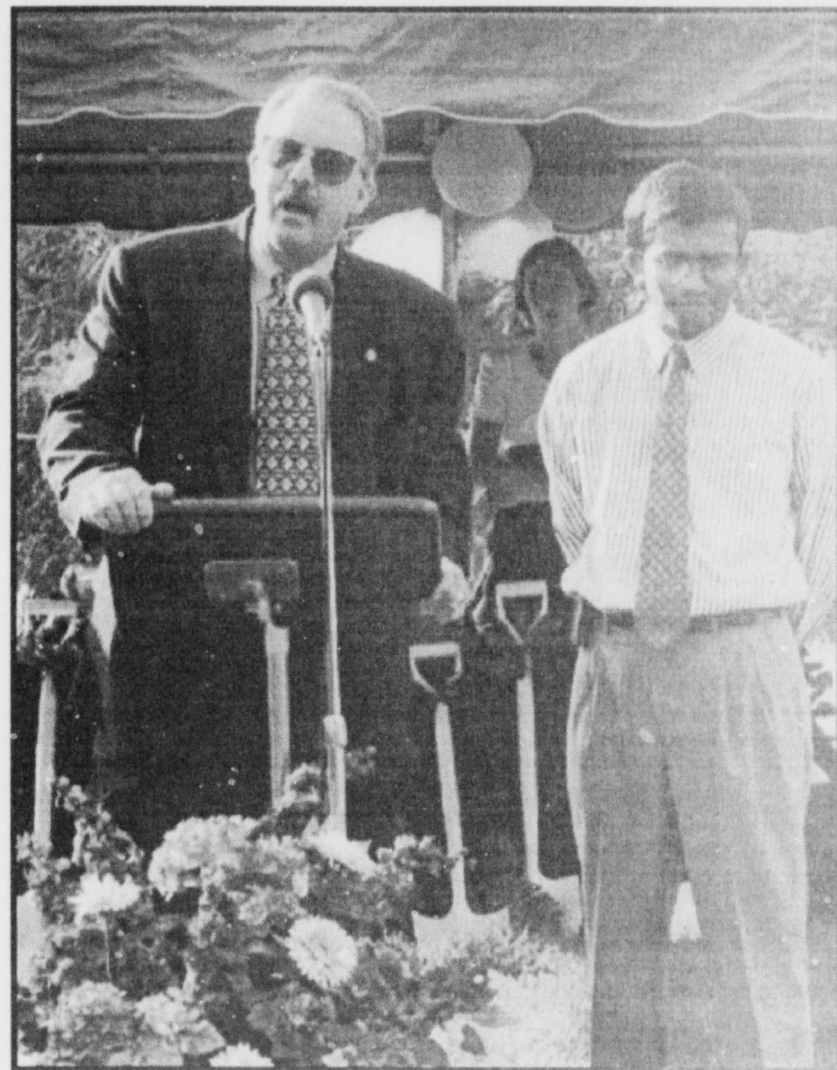
The Rivercrest Athletic department will have **State Play Off football tee shirts** on sale beginning Friday, Nov. 8. The shirts will be \$10.00 for short sleeve and \$12.00 for long sleeve and may be purchased at Rivercrest, Talco and Bogata Schools. Support the Rebels as they enter the play offs for the first time in ten years.

The Talco-Bogata Junior High Rebels and Lady Rebels basketball teams will begin play on Thursday, Nov. 14 vs Honey Grove. The Lady Rebels will travel to Honey Grove with game time set at 5:30. The Rebels will host Honey Grove at Rivercrest gym with game time set at 5:30 p.m. The teams will begin their regular season on Monday, Nov. 18 vs Cooper. The Ladies will be at Rivercrest, while the Rebels will travel to Cooper.

The Rivercrest Rebel basketball team will travel to Hugo, Okla. on Thursday, Nov. 7 for a **scrimmage** game. On Saturday, Nov. 8 the boys will play a **scrimmage** game at North Lamar at 2:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to come out for a Rebel preview.

Lost, a grey Schnauzer with long hair. Answers to name of "Hank". Reward offered. Lost in Pine Branch area, Call 632-4884.

Would whoever took Wesley Robert's new black, goose feather quilted jacket please return it. It was brand new. The school has been thoroughly searched for the jacket and it is missing from his locker. If someone took it, they won't be able to wear it to school. Please, return this jacket. Helen Roberts.



RON RAGAN, Administrator of St. Joseph's Hospital and Health Center introduced Dr. Nadarajah (Dr. Nada) to citizens who attended ground breaking ceremonies for the St. Joseph's Family Clinic in Bogata Tuesday afternoon. Ragan stated that he believes St. Joseph's and Dr. Nada make a winning combination. Dr. Nada stated he and his wife came to Bogata two years ago and relay like the community. He hopes to serve the community for many more years. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)

Groundbreaking ceremonies held for St. Joseph's Clinic-Bogata

Groundbreaking ceremonies were held on Tuesday, November 5 for the new St. Joseph's Family Clinic-Bogata, to be built at the intersection of North Main and Sixth Streets.

Construction of the facility is to begin immediately, according to Monty McLaurin, President of St. Joseph's Hospital and Health Center, with a prefabricated building to be moved to the site, weather permitting. The facility is expected to open in Mid-November.

"Dr. Nadarajah Srikumar (Dr. Nada) will serve as medical director of the clinic, with other members of the staff yet to be announced.

"We are delighted to have a presence in Bogata and to have Dr. Nada

as a member of St. Joseph's health care team", McLaurin said. "Dr. Nada is well-known and respected in the Bogata area and we are fortunate that he has agreed to accept the position as medical director."

Dr. Nada received his medical training at the University of Colombo, Sri Lanka, completing both his internship and residency in internal medicine at Woodhull Medical Center in Brooklyn, New York.

Prior to joining St. Joseph's, Dr. Nada was associated with East Texas Medical Center-Clarksville and its clinic in Bogata.

St. Joseph's Hospital and Health Center also operates clinics in Paris, Honey Grove, Deport and Cooper.

Bogata United Methodist Bazaar is November 9

The ladies of Bogata United Methodist Church (with some help from the men) have spent the last nine months preparing handmade gift items for your Fall and Christmas shopping. Below is a list of all the items which will be available:

Silent Auction with bidding to end at 2:00 P.M.- Beautiful Christmas Wreath, from Bogata House of Flowers, Several quilts just completed by the Wednesday quilters, and a Cross Stitch Tablecloth, beautiful colors with 8 napkins.

Other needlework- Needlepoint, Cross Stitch, Christmas ornaments, Crocheted items, small gift bags, Snowflake ornaments, Yo-yo Christmas necklaces, Card Table Cover, Baby Quilts, Wall Hangings, Casse-roles, Placemats, Afghans, lots of stuffed dolls and animals and Children's Clothing items.

Art- There will be paintings, Ceramics, China, Tile Refrigerator Magnets and more.

Christmas- Wreaths, baskets, Angels, Angels, Angels and other gift items.

Miscellaneous- Bed Buddies, You'll need more than one of these,

Large Barbie Wardrobe to select from, Bread Baskets, Aprons, Sweat Shirts, Jeweled pins and magnets, Gift Baskets, Wood Work items, Flower Arrangements and Time Out Dolls.

Bake Shop- There will be an assortment of good Methodist baking -- Carrot Cakes, Pies, Pound Cakes, Banana Breads, and other breads, Brownies, Italian Cream Cakes, Candy and other good selections. Remember the choice items go early, so be there!

Cookbooks and knives: The Methodist Cookbooks that have been sold in the past are still available, as well as the knives, servers and knife sharpeners.

Lunch will be served from 11:00 A.M. until 1:00 P.M.- The lunch will again be the Stew with dessert and drink. The cost is Adults - \$4.00 and children under 12- \$3.00. Carryouts are available.

The group will also be recognizing Mr. Max Mauldin's 100th birthday that day. So make your plans to come out and shop and eat and wish Mr. Mauldin a happy birthday.

Booster Club to hold work night

The Rivercrest Booster Club met Tuesday night, November 5 at the Rivercrest Homemaking Room.

Plans were made for activities to raise spirit for the first play-off game.

A work night will be held Monday, November 11 at 6:30 p.m. at the

home of Mark and Debbie Hare to paint signs and shakers for the upcoming play-off game. Everyone wishing to help is encouraged to attend.

The meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.



FEATURED COOK OF THE WEEK is the 8th grade class of Blossom Jr. High. They are compiling a cookbook for sale at \$8.00 each. Recipes have been submitted by relatives and friend and the students themselves. Pictured are the 8th grade officers from left to right reporter-Brandon Gray, treasurer-Melissa Steinkamp, secretary-Trista Reves, vice president-Ashley Doyal and president-Michael Flatt. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

Country Cooking

By Liz Irwin

This week's cooks are a group of kids from Blossom. Well, they are not the cooks (because we could not picture the entire class) but what they are doing is along that line. They are the 8th grade class of Blossom Jr. High. The picture is of the 8th grade class officers and they are president-Michael Flatt, vice president-Ashley Doyal, secretary-Trista Reves, treasurer-Melissa Steinkamp and reporter Brandon Gray. This group has decided to compile a recipe book. They have been busy gathering recipes and advertisements for this fundraiser. They will sell the books for \$8.00 each and they will receive them around the first of the year.

The funds will go toward their graduation and party at the end of the year and several things that they take part in during the year.

The recipes that are being used this week are some that we chose at random and are from the students themselves, parents, grandparents, brothers, sister and other family members and friends. They all sound delicious and different.

The Meaty Stuffed Potatoes are from Pamela Hippensteel. Dreamy Apricot Salad submitted by Brittany Woodard and Virgie Pynes. Hot Chocolate Mix will be great for the winter and was turned in by Lori Barker, Jennifer McClain, Shelly Adams and Sarah Upchurch. The Apple Dip is from Lenita Unruh and will go good with all of that FFA fruit when it comes in. Tate Rodgers turned in a recipe for Asparagus Casserole. Michele and Joseph Stevens gave them an Apple-Spice Loaf that would be great right out of the oven. The Blossom Cookies are from Bebo Cantrell. Also included is the Baked Oatmeal Pie Crust that someone wanted last week. Thanks to Louise Crossland of Pattonville for your help.

Hope you enjoy these recipes and we will see you in the kitchen!



Have A Nice Weekend

We are on the lookout for an Oatmeal Pie Crust recipe. Anyone have one?

November 7, 1996
Blossom 8th grade class

Meaty Stuffed Potatoes

4 medium baking potatoes
1-1/2 cup cubed cooked beef
1/2 cup sour cream
1/4 cup sliced green onions
3 tablespoons milk
1/4 teaspoon garlic powder
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon pepper
1/4 cup shredded American cheese

Scrub potatoes; prick with a fork. Bake at 425 degrees for 50-60 minutes. When cool enough to handle, slice off top and scoop out center, leaving 1/4 inch thick shells. In mixing bowl, mash potatoes and stir in meat, sour cream, onion, milk, garlic powder, salt and pepper. Fill shells with mixture and place in shallow baking dish. Bake for 25-30 minutes or until heated through. Sprinkle with cheese and bake for 2-3 minutes more.

Dreamy Apricot Salad

2-3 ounces packages Apricot Jello
2/3 cup sugar
2/3 cup water
2-6 ounce jars apricot baby food
1-20 ounce can crushed pineapple
1-14 ounce Eagle Brand Milk
1-8 ounce cream cheese-softened
1-1/2 cup chopped nuts

Combine jello, sugar and water in small saucepan and bring to boil. Remove from heat and stir in fruit and set aside to cool. Combine milk and cream cheese until smooth. Stir in jello mixture and nuts. Pour into glass bowl and chill.

Hot Chocolate Mix

2 pounds instant chocolate drink mix
1 box powdered milk (enough for 8 quarts)
1 pound box confectioners sugar
11 ounce jar coffee creamer
Mix all ingredients in a mixing bowl. Mix well. Pour into half pint jars. Put a card on this and tell how to prepare (just add 1/3 cup mix to 1 cup water), this makes a warm gift and treat.

Apple Dip

1 can Eagle Brand Milk
1 stick margarine
4 cups brown sugar
Mix milk with softened margarine and blend in brown sugar. Store covered in refrigerator. Also good with fruits and vegetables.

Asparagus Casserole

1 can asparagus (drained)
1 large can peas (drained)
1 can mushroom soup
1 can water chestnuts (drain & slice)
Melt 3/4 stick margarine and place bread strips, crust removed, in margarine on both sides to absorb excess. Arrange asparagus in casserole. Mix water chestnuts, soup and peas. Pour over asparagus. Cover generously with grated cheese. Put bread strips on top and cover. Bake at 35 minutes at 350 degrees until bread is slightly browned.

Apple-Spice Loaf

1-1/2 cup flour
1/2 teaspoon baking soda
1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1/4 teaspoon baking powder
1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg
2 beaten egg whites
3/4 cup brown sugar
3/4 cup shredded peeled apple
3 tablespoon cooking oil
1/2 teaspoon finely shredded orange peel nonstick spray coating

In a small mixing bowl stir together flour, soda, cinnamon, baking powder and nutmeg. In a large mixing bowl stir together egg whites, sugar, apple, oil and orange peel. Stir in flour mixture into apple mixture just until combined. Spray loaf pan with nonstick spray and pour into prepared pan. Bake at 350 degrees for 45-50 minutes or until toothpick comes out clean in center. Cool bread for 10 minutes in pan and remove to cool on wire rack.

Blossom Cookies

1/4 cup butter
1/2 cup sugar
1 egg
1 tablespoon milk
1/2 teaspoon vanilla
1-1/4 cup flour

Beat butter in a medium bowl. Add sugar and beat until combined. Add egg, milk and vanilla; beat until well combined. Stir in flour. Divide dough in half. Cover and chill for 2 hours or until easy to handle. Roll half of dough on a lightly floured surface to 1/8 inch thickness. Cut with one inch heart shaped cookie cutter. For each cookie, arrange four hearts on a lightly greased baking sheet, points together and one or two of the sides overlapping slightly. Bake at 375 degrees for 6 to 7 minutes. Brush with icing while cookies are warm. Place candy coated chocolate piece in center of cookie.

Powdered Sugar Icing

Stir together 1 cup sifted strawberry or lemon flavored powdered sugar; 1/4 teaspoon vanilla and 1 tablespoon milk. Stir in additional milk if needed, until drizzling consistency.

Baked Oatmeal Pie Crust

1/2 cup flour
3 tablespoon sugar
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/3 cup shortening
1/2 cup rolled oats
3 tablespoons cold water
Mix flour, sugar and salt in a bowl. Mix in shortening with a fork until mixture is like coarse corn meal. Stir in rolled oats. Sprinkle water over mixture and stir with a fork until dough sticks together, but is not wet. Shape into a ball. Sprinkle flour on a flat surface and on a rolling pin. Roll out dough and place dough into 8 inch pie pan. Prick bottom and sides of dough with a fork to keep crust flat. Bake in 425 degree hot oven for 10-12 minutes or until light tan. Cool. Use for any pie that calls for a bake pie crust.

Obituaries

Iva Irene Kilgore dies November 2

Iva Irene Kilgore, age 65, formerly of Bogata, died Saturday, November 2 in Charleston Methodist Hospital, Dallas.

Services were held at 11:00 a.m. Monday, November 4 in First Baptist Church of Bogata with the Rev. Park Robertson officiating. Burial was in Bogata Cemetery under the direction of Wood Funeral Home.

Mrs. Kilgore was born January 14, 1920 in Red River County near Rugby, the daughter of James Claud and Era Slaton Franks. She married Raymond Wilson Kilgore January 7, 1936. He died July 18, 1974. She was a long time member of the First Baptist Church of Bogata and a housewife.

Survivors include two daughters, Jane Weems of Red Oak and Dean Prock of DeSoto; six grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren; six sisters-in-law, Lucy Mae Franks of Clarks-ville, Louise Franks of Waco, Jewel Rowe and Robie Nell Kilgore, both of Bogata, Louise Humphries of Beaumont and Lou Ella Kilgore of Ft. Worth. She was preceded in death by a grandson, Ronald Weems, June 20, 1988.

Donald Roger Bell dies November 2

Donald Roger Bell, age 67 of Mesquite, formerly of Deport, died at his home Saturday, November 2. Services were held Monday, November 4 at 3:00 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church of Deport. Burial was in Highland Cemetery under the direction of Wood Funeral Homes.

He was born in Deport, the son of Roger F. and Edna Norwood Bell. He was a U.S. Army veteran serving in the Korean Conflict, he worked in the printing industry for most of his life, and was a long time member of the First United Methodist Church of Deport.

He is survived by his daughters, Lisa and Cynthia Bell, both of Mesquite and Debbie Casey of Surf Side Beach, TX; his wife, Faye Bell of Mesquite; three sisters, Bocky Norman and Regina Webb, both of Deport and Tommie Cannon of Dallas; five grandchildren, Erin Scott Sifuentes, Zachary Don Sifuentes, Samantha Sifuentes, Charles Justin Bell and Veronica Faye Bell and two great-grandchildren, Eric Seth Holcomb and Chad Robert Holcomb. He was preceded in death by his father, August, 1962, his mother in November, 1995 and a grandson, Ronnie Jean Holcomb in 1994.

Travis Eugene Smith dies November 1

Travis Eugene Smith, age 20 of Detroit died in Presbyterian Hospital in Dallas on Friday, November 1. Services were scheduled for Monday, November 4 at 2:00 p.m. in the Kanawha Cemetery under the direction of Wood Funeral Homes, Deport.

Mr. Smith was born October 30, 1976 in Texarkana, TX, the son of William Gene and Carolyn Powell Smith. He worked in the logging industry.

Surviving is his father, William Gene Smith of Red River Healthcare Center, Bogata; his mother, Carolyn Powell of Detroit; sisters and brothers, Stanley Smith of Detroit, Norman Ashford of Sweetwater, Karen Herring of Bogata, Linda Lockhart of Paris, Kathy Furr of Mt. Pleasant, Violet Thomas and Shelly Ashford, both of Detroit, Danita Walker of Mesquite, Patricia Mills of Tennessee and Pam Smith of Bagwell.

Mrs. Mattie Cabell dies November 4

Mrs. Mattie Amanda Morgan Cabell, age 87 of Talco died Monday, November 4 at Red River Healthcare Center, Bogata.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, November 6 at Bates-Cooper-Weems-Robison Chapel with interment in Bridges Chapel Cemetery. The Rev. Johnny Mack Brown officiated.

Mrs. Cabell was born January 9, 1909 in Titus County, a daughter of B.B. and Aline Palmer Morgan. She married Johnnie Cabell, who preceded her in death.

She was a homemaker and a member of the United Methodist Church. Survivors include her son, Dean and Wanda Cabell of Talco; daughters, Francis and L.D. Richeson, Jo and Glenn Whitney, Ann and Edward Deaton, all of Talco and Phyllis and James Finch of Grand Prairie; several nieces and nephews; 21 grandchildren; 33 great-grandchildren; and eight great-great-grandchildren.

Fulbright Baptist Church to hold revival

The Fulbright Baptist Church will be holding revival services Wednesday, November 6 through Sunday night, November 10. Bro. Randall Scott, pastor of Immanuel Baptist Church in Paris will bring the message each evening at 7:00 p.m. Bro. Larry Solice is the pastor.

Special music for the week will be

Byron S. Smallwood dies October 28

Byron Stanley Smallwood, age 61 of Dallas, formerly of Deport, died Monday, October 28 in Parkland Hospital, Dallas. Private graveside services were held Sunday, November 3 in Highland Cemetery, Deport.

Mr. Smallwood was born June 3, 1935 in Deport, the son of Byron Stanley, Sr. and Mildred Williamson Smallwood Betterton. He was a machine operator.

Surviving is his son, Kevin Smallwood of Dallas; and three sisters, Elaine Cox of Mineral Wells, Vera Jean Cagle of Mt. Pleasant and Brenda Shelby of Mesquite.

Card of Thanks

Thanks to all my friends and neighbors for the calls, flowers, visits, prayers and love gifts while I was in the hospital and since I have been home.

May God bless each of you.
Gloria Elrod

Card Of Thanks

I would like to thank my family and many friends for all the wonderful flowers, cards, visits and food that I received during my stay in the hospital and since I have returned home. Again, thank you so much.

Sylvia Moore

Eastern Star to hold Thanksgiving dinner

The Deport Chapter #1045 Order of the Eastern Star will hold their annual Thanksgiving dinner on Saturday, November 9 from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

The meal will be served in the school cafeteria at the cost of \$5.00 for adults and \$2.50 for children.

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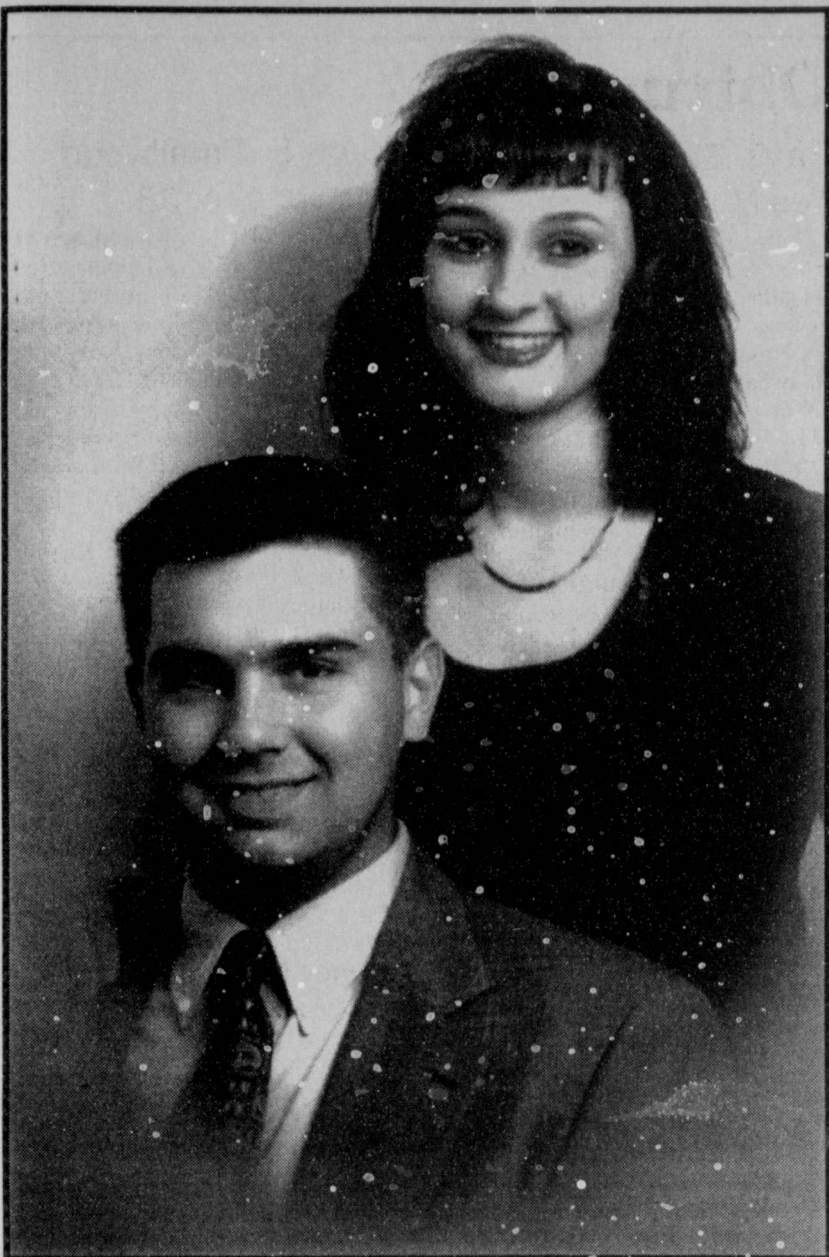
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Misty Dawn Taylor & Clint Leon Gage

Taylor-Gage wedding plans announced

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Taylor of Bogata and Mr. and Mrs. Gary Gage of Paris are proud to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their children, Misty Dawn Taylor and Clint Leon Gage.

The couple will be married Saturday, January 4, 1997 at five o'clock in the evening at Lamar Avenue Church of Christ in Paris. Rusty Abrams will perform the formal ceremony.

The bride-to-be is the granddaughter of the late Sam and Christine

Sanders and the late Lee and Ora Taylor of Paris. She is a 1994 graduate of Rivercrest High School, a 1996 graduate of Paris Junior College and is presently a junior at Texas A & M-Commerce.

The groom to be is the grandson of Jim and Virginia Gage of Paris and Ruby Smyers and the late Pink Smyers of Powderly. He is a 1994 graduate of North Lamar High School and is currently attending Paris Junior College.



Mr. and Mrs. John Anthony Perez

Holmes-Perez united in marriage Oct. 5, 1996

Kelli Michele Holmes and John Anthony Perez were united in marriage on Saturday, Oct. 5, 1996 at 5:00 p.m. at Charnwood Hills Inn in Tyler.

Kelli is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Holmes of Talco. Tony is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R.H. Perez of Tyler. Dr. William Perry of Troup presided over the ceremony.

For the ceremony, the bride wore an elegant ivory Italian satin sheath style gown. The V-neckline was decorated with scroll beaded pearls forming a floral pattern. The cap sleeves and basque waistline were repeated with the same ornate beadwork as well as being outlined with a delicate border of seed pearls. The molded bodice was dotted with single pearls.

The slim floor length skirt was enhanced with a chapel length train of matching Italian satin.

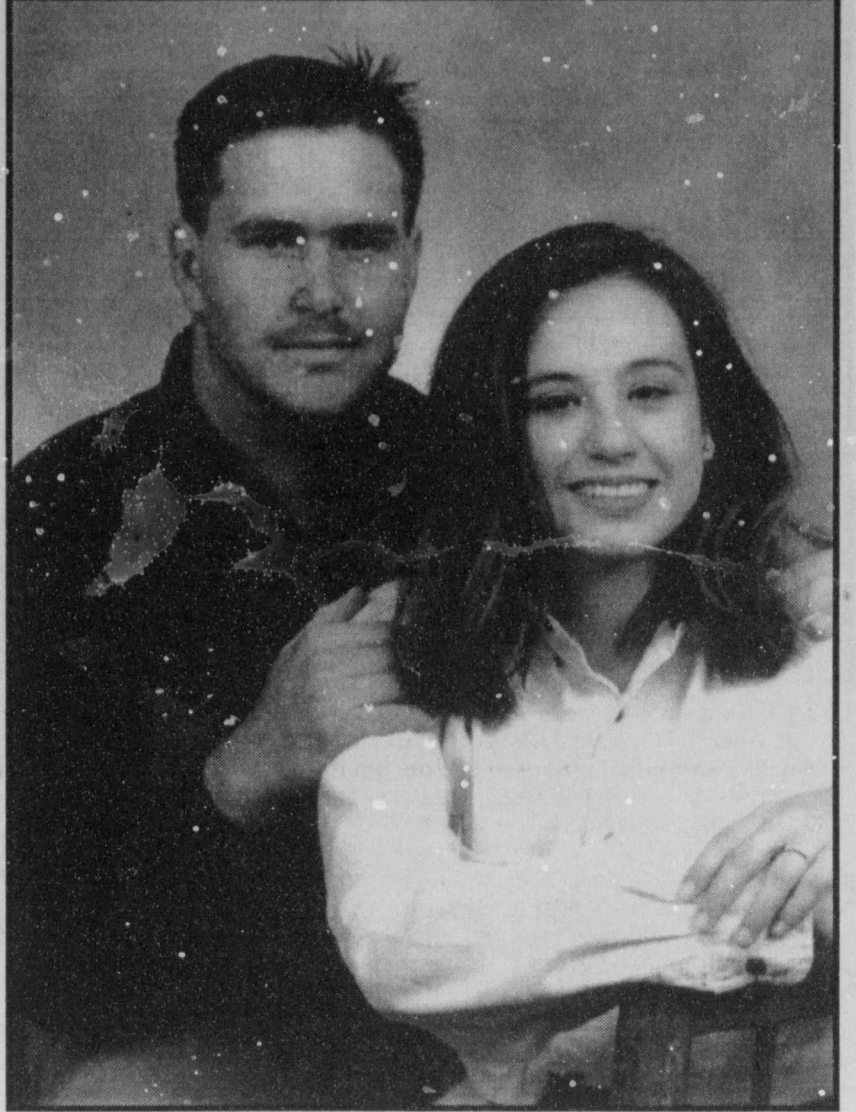
Mrs. Melea Edwards of Tyler served as Matron of Honor. She wore a navy satin, tea length suit.

R.H. Perez served as his son's Best Man. They were dressed in navy tuxedos with ivory shirts.

John and Jessica Perez, children of the groom, served as ringbearer and flower girl.

Immediately following the ceremony, a reception was held in the formal dining room of the Inn. Guests were served cake, punch and fruit.

Following a honeymoon trip to Hot Springs and Lake Ouachita, Arkansas the couple will be making their home in Tyler.



April Marie Davila & Roland Burson, Jr.

Davila-Burson engagement announced

Mr. and Mrs. Amado Davila, Junior of Los Fresnos along with Dinia Burson of Bogata and Roland Burson of Albuquerque, New Mexico announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their children, April Marie Davila and Roland Burson, Junior. The wedding will take place at Randolph Air Force Base chapel in San Antonio at 12:00 in the afternoon on November 16,

1996. April is a 1995 graduate of Los Fresnos High School and Roland is a 1992 graduate of Prairiland High School. They are both in the United States Air Force stationed at Randolph Air Force Base.

Roland is the grandson of Jettie Bond and the late J.D. Bond. All friends and family are invited to attend.

Families of John & Martha Boze Allen to hold reunion

The descendants and families of the late John and Martha Boze Allen of the Cunningham area will hold a reunion on November 9 in the fellowship hall of the Evangel Church of God, 1225 N.W. Loop 286 in Paris. Those attending should plan to meet between 12:00 noon and 1:00 P.M. A covered dish luncheon will be served at one. Barbecued brisket, bread and drinks will be furnished.

The children of John and Martha Boze Allen are Altha Temple (de-

ceased), Clara (Tad) Howell (deceased), Fred Allen (deceased), Johnnie Warren of Deport Nursing Home, Lucy Fowler of Cunningham, Irene Davis (deceased), Kenneth M. Allen (deceased), Margie Roach (deceased) and Harold Boze Allen (deceased).

Everyone who knew these family members or their children are invited to come visit and renew old friendships.

Mark Abbey will speak to support group

Mark Abbey will be the speaker for the November meeting of the Bereaved Parents Support Group.

The meeting will be held at the TU Electric Building in Paris at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, November 11.

Abbey is currently Program Director of Geropsychiatric at McCuiston Regional Medical Center. He is married and has four children.

Spanish Classes offered

Have you ever had a desire to speak another language? With the number of Spanish People coming to America, it will soon be an absolute necessity to know Spanish. Well, here is good news! A Spanish class is being formed now!

Classes will be held at Jowntown Baptist Church fellowship hall. They will begin Tuesday night, November 12 at 7:00 until 9:00 P.M. and will be taught every Tuesday night.

Classes will not meet on holidays. Everyone is invited including the kids.

The course is Free. Call 632-4629 or 632-5493 for more information.

Dr. Bobby Clark will be teaching the class with native guest speakers in most of his classes. Bobby Clark has worked with people in Mexico and Central America for over twenty years.

Call and enroll today.

Chamber to hold Anniversary dinner

The 75th anniversary dinner of the Clarksville/Red River County Chamber of Commerce will be Tuesday, November 12 at 7:00 p.m. at the Clarksville ISD Cafetorium.

Outgoing president, Lee Lindeman, will turn the gavel over to the new president, Bill Rains, at the conclusion of the evening.

New directors to be seated are Kathleen Bishop, Wayne Dial, Frances Klaus, Dianne Phelps, W.F. Higgins, Jr., Kristie Jones, Mike Witt, Cynthia Smith and Paula Reeder.

Tickets for the evening meal are \$5.00 each at the Chamber office.



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RRGenealogical to hold meeting

Everyone is invited to attend the regular meeting of the Red River Genealogical Society on Monday evening on November 11 at 7:30 in the Red River County Library.

The speaker for this month will be Lee Nailing of Atlanta, Texas, who

will speak on his new book, "One Boy's True Story", an account of his life as a child of the Orphan Train.

All persons interested in researching their family history are encouraged to come and enjoy the program.



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THE DEFENDER is right with Rebel, Alvin Savage as he prepares to make a catch. The Rebels took a 14-6 win over Alba-Golden which puts them into the district playoffs for the first time in ten years. (staff photo Nancy Brown)

Rivercrest Rebels headed to play-offs

The Rivercrest Rebels sewed up a play-off position on Friday in the mud and cold at Rebel stadium with their win over Alba-Golden.

The two teams came into the game with the same 4-1 record and both teams gave the fans an exciting game.

The first quarter saw no score from either team.

Alba-Golden was the first to get into scoring position making the touchdown but the Rebels refused to give the extra points up. Michael Deming carried the ball in from the one yard line to put the Rebels on the board shortly before the half time buzzer but the extra point attempt was no good. The score stood 6-6 at

the half.

In the final quarters, Rebel Jody Gray carried the ball in from the one yard line to add another Rebel TD but an attempted pass failed and the Rebels had to be happy with six points. Score 12-6. Rebels

The Rebels held Alba-Golden to no first downs in the second half, while Alba-Golden held the Rebels short of the goal time and time again from short yardage.

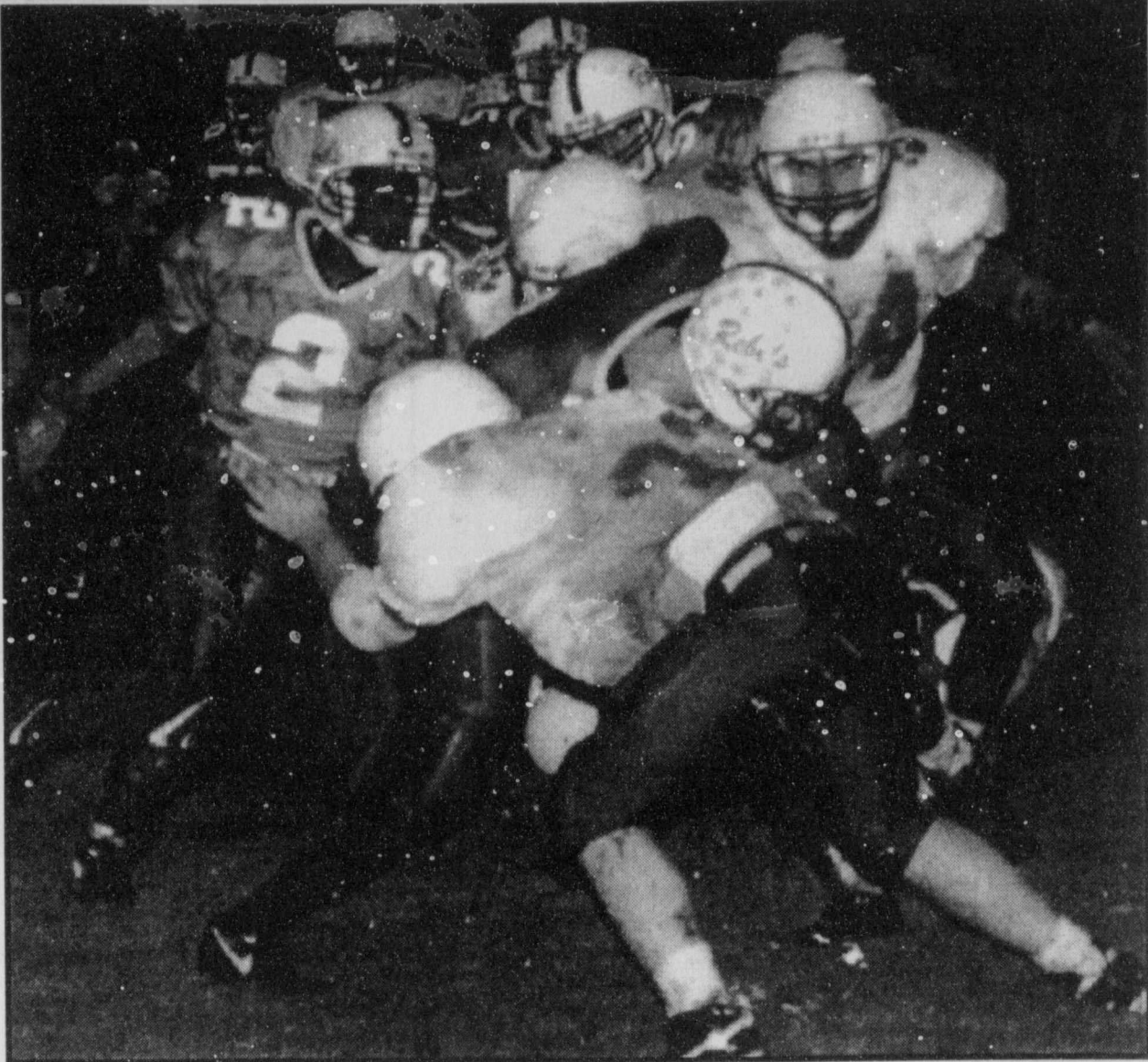
A Rebel break happened when Alba-Golden was trapped for the safety adding two points to the Rebels score, 14-6 Rivercrest.

Playing outstanding defense for the Rebs were; Chesley Baird, Jeff

Brown, Michael Deming, Jody Gray, Charles Cruise, Alvin Savage, Jeff Savage, Dustin Wolfe and the rest of the Rebel team.

The win for the Rebels will send them to the Bi-District play-offs for the first time in ten years. Congratulations to the entire Rebel team and Coaches.

The Rebels will travel to Lone Oak for their final game of the season on Friday, Nov. 8 with game time set at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is encouraged to come out and support the team as they strive to improve their district record with another win. Go Rebels!!!!



DRIVING THROUGH-Rebel Michael Allen (# 2) is coming to block for the ball carrier, Michael Deming as the Rebels strive to reach the end zone in Friday's game vs Alba-Colden. The Rebels won with a score of 14-6 and with the win came a spot in the district playoffs. (staff photo Nancy Brown)

Rebels-Lady Rebels attend Regional meet

The Rivercrest Rebels and Lady Rebels Cross Country track teams went to Arlington and had some great experience put under their belts.

Regionals is a really good and tough course and the district course did not prepare the teams for the run.

The Rivercrest runners lined up well with the best in the region. The teams times were up from the district run, but the tough course was also responsible for this.

The Lady Rebels took 14th place as a team. Coach Debbie Williams said, "We really expected to get into the top ten, but we realized how we have to focus on the run and get out quicker next year. Our 1997 team should be stronger because of experience." The team had eight young

ladies that are to be congratulated for their season. They are; Candias Nickerson who ran a 14:41 for 81st place, Tiffany Prentice-14:52 and 89th place, Katie Hare-14:34 and 79th place, Kristi Hines-16:15 and 108th place, Deidre Brown-15:17 for 97th place, Amber Spencer-17:10 for 113th place and Joanie Swarts-16:00 for 102nd place out of 120 runners. Many hours, miles and dedication got them to the regional meet in a sport that takes true grit, which the Lady Rebel have. Congratulations on a good season Lady Rebels!!

The Rebels ran well and placed 10th overall. All of the boys who qualified came and ran even after some had played in the tough football game Friday night at Rebel sta-

dium.

Joseph Lindsey, the district champ, finished 25th of the 120 runners present. Coach Debbie Williams said, "This was a good accomplishment for Joseph. He has worked hard all season and the experience will help him in the spring track season. He expects and will work for a trip to Austin in the spring."

The rest of the Rebel team are to be congratulated for their hard work, many miles and dedication.

Times for the Rebels are; Joseph Lindsey-18:46, Alvin Savage-20:47, Mitch Ellis-20:48, Jeff Savage-20:50, Justin Smith-20:04, Erric Martin-20:49 and Ryan Case-21:13. Congratulations on a good season Rebels!!

Lady Rebels to play at Reunion Arena November 26, 1996

The Rivercrest Lady Rebels will play James Bowie at Reunion Arena in Dallas on Nov. 26, 1996 at 1:00 p.m.

The team, coached by Debbie Williams will also stay for the Mavericks game in the evening and will get to meet some of the Maverick players.

Tickets to the game will be sold for

\$12.00 at the school and by Coach Williams and the Lady Rebels. The price includes seating for the Mavericks vs the Spurs game in the evening. Tickets at the gate will be \$15.00. Everyone is encouraged to travel with the team and support the Lady Rebels and enjoy a pro game at the same time.



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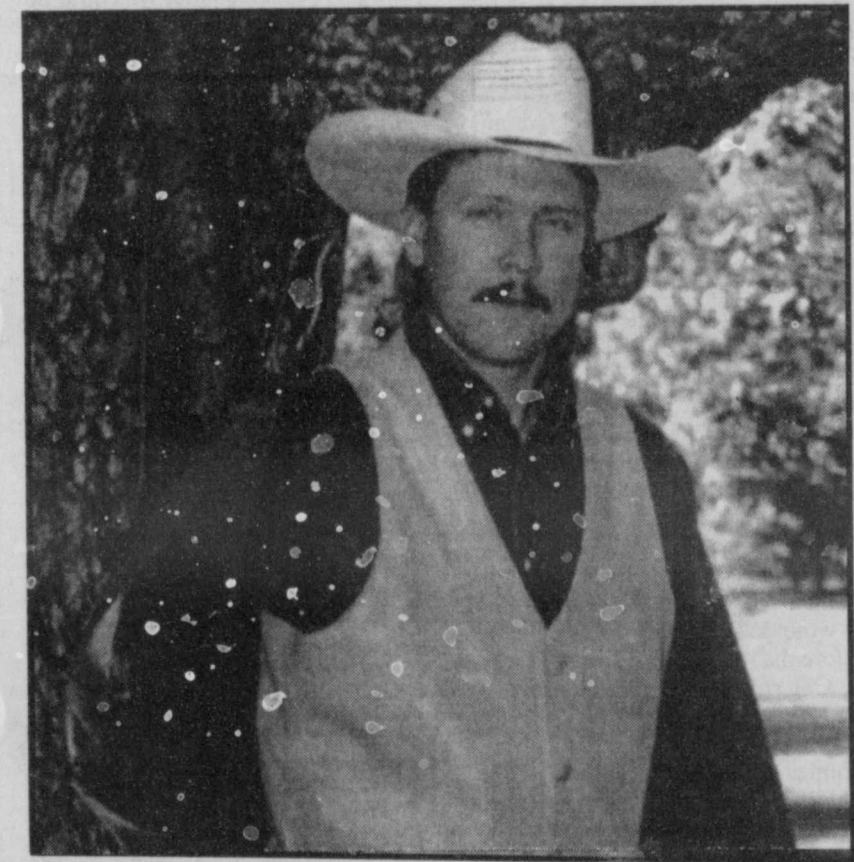
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COLD WEATHER-did not freeze up the Rebel cheerleaders as they cheered the team to victory in Friday's game over Alba-Golden. (staff photo Nancy Brown)



FFA OFFICERS-for the 1996-97 school year are; (left to right front row) President-Alan Hudson, Vice President-Brooke Belcher, Secretary-Tricia Ponthieux, Treasurer-Katie Hare and (back row left to right) Reporter-Andrea Palmer, Sentinel-Jason Dyess and Advisor-John Ross. (Staff Photo, Nancy Brown)



BENEFIT DANCE-Wade White of Bogata and his Plain Label Band will be performing at a benefit dance for Buck Morelock, who is awaiting a bone marrow transplant. The dance will be held at the Reno VFW Post #3990 on Thursday, November 7 beginning at 8:00 p.m. The benefit is being sponsored by the VFW and Ladies Auxiliary.

RED RIVER HEALTHCARE CENTER NEWS

Visiting Barney Alsobrook were Tracy and Ethan Williams, Todd Williams, Mary Ann Williams, Doug Alsobrook and Wayne Alsobrook. Inez Henson's visitors were R. Swarts, Mildred Bennett, Wanda Morgan and Vicki and Abigale.

Visiting Mary Brown were Tony Watkins, Eva Watkins, Helen Williams, Stanley Williams, Dorothy Jones, Wesley and Geraldine Ward, Inez Gill and Odella Cheatwood. Nina Hudson's visitors were Helen Williams, Sidney Ward Hudson, Dorothy Jones, Billie Nolen, David Hudson, Louise Ross, Adeline Bennett and Odella Cheatwood.

Carl and Diann Brown, Gwendolyn Bowen, Katie Brown, Dovie Garretson, Nina Stoner, Austin Easley, Tyler Easley and Allan, Tina and Emily Ward visited Hazel Brown. Billie Hancock's visitors were Shirley Smith, Sandra Benson, Tracy Williams, Ethan Williams, Jim Grant Garrett, Billy and Galia Edwards, Jay Hancock, Helon Latimer, Donna Erwin, Willie Mae Gray, Anne Randolph, Frances Griffin and Duane Benson.

Bertha Anderson's visitors were Waymon Bryant, Naomi Dingman and C.L. Smart. Visiting Russel Lawler were Nina Hudson, Frances Griffin and Anne Randolph. Homer and Peggy Butts visited Nellie Butts.

Gladys Prater's visitors were Katie Brown, Earnest and Pat Prater of Garland, Leonard Prater, Mildred Allums, James Prater, Margie Lamaster, Jean and Casey Moore, Elsie Weatherall, Inez Gill and Dianne and Jesse Ross. Visiting Dollie Carroll were Lynn and Brenda Carroll, Richard Swarts, Cheryl Elsom, Larry Carroll, Gary Jo Hord, Brenda Carroll and Randy and Lisa Carroll.

Visiting Ned Morgan were Bobby Joe Morgan, Dorthy Morgan, James L. Morgan, Franice Landers and Letha Brown.

Visiting Iva Carr were Lucille Moore, Irene Grogan, Beth Graf, Lorene Solsbee, Seabron and Sylvia Coggins, Bro Bob Bush, Zelma Mauldin, Bill and Marie Carr, Juanita Carr.

Ernelle McKinney and Danny.

Visiting Jettie Minshew were Margie Garrett, Jim Garrett, Susie Meredith, Zelma Mauldin, Yvonne Powell, Don and Cheryl Sidler, Donna Ervin and Helon Latimer.

Katie Brown, Mary Miller and Kesten Freeman visited Clyde and Ardena Roberts.

Robbie visited Maude Legate.

Visiting Irene House were Jeannette Morris, Teresa Williams, Roy Nieto and Branda Morway.

Irene Smith's visitors were Elaine Alford, S.J. Smith, Linda Smith, Evelyn Roach and Selina and Cody Alsop.

Jewel Rowe's visitors were

Thurman and Marie Franks, Dempsey and Louise Humphries.

Tony Watkins visited Dorothy Watkins.

Louise Ross, Billie Nolen, O'Neal Keith, Jeremy Keith, Brandon Keith, Hester Keith, Beverly Babb, and Neva Crump visited John Keith.

Visiting Ocola Morris were Letha Brown, Jerry Knight and Lafayette Jr.

Visiting Mamie Kennedy were Barbara Hollman, Robert and Kay Kennedy, Gaylon and Maxine McGill and Ruth Ann Allen.

Joan Phillips and Inez Gill visited Doris Skaggs.

Billie Hancock, Sandra Benson,

Shirley Smith, Katie Brown, Duane Benson and Kimberly Benson visited Raymon Mauldin.

Visiting Ada Holmes were Maudie Lee and Ruth Lee, Nina Hudson and Dude Lassiter.

Visiting Alma Lowry were Shirley Smith, Sandra Benson, Billie Hancock, Katie Brown, Elsie Weatherall, Mary Jane Lowry and Inez Gill.

Visiting Stasha Hume were Katie Brown, Anne Randolph, Ina Ward, James Paul Hume and Weldon Hume.

Oma McKinney's visitors were Katie Brown, Sylvia Coggins, Irene Lawson, Garvis Haley, Travis Haley, Tony Watkins and Merle Hughes.

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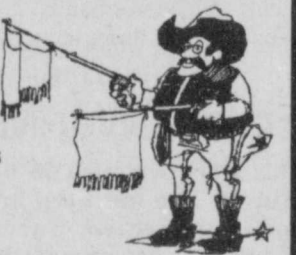
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Cunningham News

By Jane O'Neal 652-6062

Dean Ogden and Janie Hawkes of Longview and Mike Hawkes of Marshal spent Saturday and Saturday night with Lorette Pynes.

Rhonda Smith of Rowlett visited Dean Ogden, Janie and Mike Hawkes and Lorette Pynes Saturday.

Janie Hawkes and Dean Ogden attended a progressive dinner with the Baker cousins on Saturday and Janie spent the night in Bogata with the girls at Donnie Lewis'.

Alfred Ray McCarty and James Diggs of Frogville, Ok spent Saturday afternoon and night with Dwayne, Lisa, O'Neal and Weston Drinnon. Nina and William Drinnon of Frogville joined them for supper Saturday.

Leonard and Billie Ford along with 17 members from their church in Paris were in Carrollton Saturday to can food for the church.

Carol and Bobby Aarington and family of Gilmer visited Lillian King in Rosalie Saturday and visited Billie and Leonard Ford.

Lillian King of Rosalie spent last weekend with Leonard and Billie Ford.

Having Sunday lunch with Geneva Norwood were Billy Ray, Neva, Georgeanna and Brandon Oats, Frankie, Julie, Logan, Layton and Caleb Norwood, Scottie, Treda, Amber and Spur Norwood and DeAnna Merrill.

On Thursday night, Marie Watson had supper for Geneva Norwood, Scottie and Treda Norwood, Nelta Musgrove and Linda and Charity Bankhead.

Brenda Watson, Deana and Brooklyn Legate with Brad, Bradlee and Brett Watson had Sunday lunch with Marie Watson.

Virginia Allison of Dallas spent Saturday night with John and Claudia Whitney. Virginia went to Hooks to visit Jim and Christine Nix until Thursday and will return for a few days with John and Claudia Whitney.

Gary, Fred, Leta and Charlie Allison of Garland spent Saturday with John and Claudia Whitney.

Courtney Currin and Travis Hunter spent two days with John and Claudia Whitney while they went deer hunting.

On Monday, Carl Buford, June and Ollie Ruth Cuthrie of Talco had lunch with Mr. and Mrs. Norman Sain.

Wednesday Larry and Virginia Bell visited Mr. and Mrs. Norman Sain.

Thursday, Mr. and Mrs. George Green and Mr. and Mrs. D.C. Thomas of Jolntown visited Mr. and Mrs. Norman Sain.

Friday, Carl Buford and June Guthrie of Talco brought Ollie Ruth Guthrie to spend the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Norman Sain.

Raymond and Ann Gaylord of Baytown visited Velma Cox over the weekend.

On Wednesday, Velma Cox visited Dora Hester in Paris.

Kaden Bryan was born to Bryan and Kristi Callihan on Monday, October 14, weighing 7 lbs. 1 oz. Grandparents are Clyde and Gerrie Bankhead and Dale and Brenda Callihan. Great-grandparents are George and Maureen Richardson and Raymond and Gladys Callihan. Aunts and uncles are Jerrod and Susan Bankhead, Chance Bankhead, Angie and Brett Callihan and Eric and Kristi Chaffin. Cousin is Ryan Chaffin.

Members and guests of Abundant Life Church of Minter enjoyed their annual Harvest Fun Night with a hayride, weiner roast and cake/candy walk on Thursday evening at the home of Clyde, Gerrie and Chance Bankhead.

Clyde and Gerrie Bankhead recently flew to Billings, MT to attend their niece, Beverly Wheeler's wedding. She is the daughter of Roy and Elaine Wheeler of Michigan. The day before they arrived, 7 inches of snow had fallen, making the scenery a beautiful sight.

Carol Jean Williams and Lou Hatfield will be collecting Cunningham News. Please call with your news at 652-6792 (Carol Jean).



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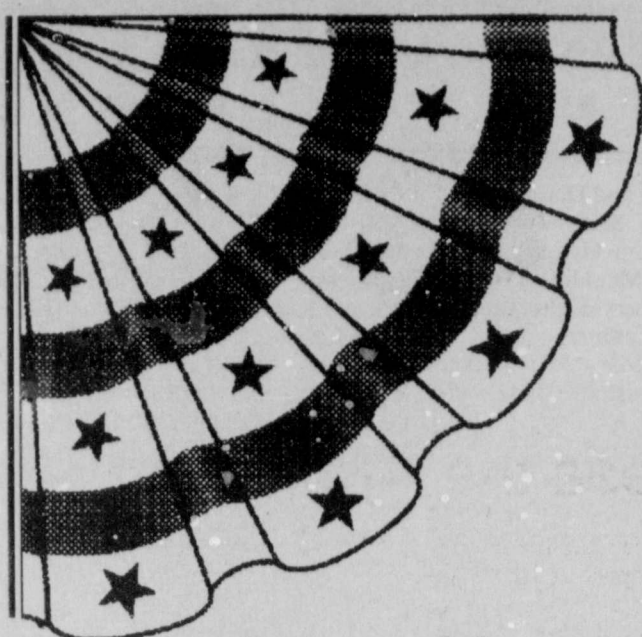
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Samuel Evans Memories Of Wartime "No Man's Land"

Editors Note: This is one of the best ideas we have heard of lately, the idea of compiling letters or memories into a book for family members is wonderful. Consider this for YOUR family.

The following letters were written by Lt. Samuel L. Evans (0465349) during his tour of duty in the European Theater of Operations from September 30, 1944 - November 1, 1945. He wrote many letters of this type which have been compiled into a book and distributed to members of his family.

4 Nov., France
This war ain't bad. Here I sit in my dugout with my platoon Sgt., platoon guide, runner and medic. Logs overhead, dirt for walls, living with all the comforts of home. We're just about to eat a meal cooked over a little gas stove. Some Frenchman's cow died a rather unnatural death the other day and we decided not to let it ruin.

Occasionally the Germans lob a few 88s and 120 mortars over from their positions some 1,000 yards away, otherwise things are fine. The only trouble is I'm afraid someone will decide we want those German hills one of these days and I'll end up a hero. Tell all hello...see you in '47.

6 Nov. No Man's Land
What do you think about the head-

ing? Yep, me and my platoon are right out about 1/2 way between the Krauts and Americans. The Krauts don't know we are here yet, I hope. We are holed up in an old house and if they haven't found us yet they'll have a hard time from now on. We just heard and American loudspeaker telling the Germans the news and how hopeless further resistance is, but the only answer the Americans got was a helluva lot of artillery. Sometimes education of the German seems to be a hopeless situation. They just can't understand anything. It's quite an experience to have propaganda and shells passing over at the same time. The boys are sitting around eating "K" rations and raising hell cause there's just about half enough. I don't know how long we will be here or where we'll go from here but I hope it isn't long till this thing is over.

Had quite an experience last night walking around here in the woods. It seemed every 20 steps there was a fence and every 5 steps was a stump that looked exactly like a Nazi. Luckily none were. Weather here hasn't been too cold, but rain every day keeps you miserable. It's got to the point where the barest essentials of living...food...any kind of shelter and dry clothing are the most important things in our lives. Of course, the most important thing is being home again....

Flak!! A War Memory from D.A. Willson

This story was sent in by Mary Willson. She was born in DePort and her father was Austin Westbrook, her grandfather Tom Westbrook. Her aunt is Willie Mae Speir. Her husband served in the same squadron as Tom Denison. We welcome her husband's story. They live in Lubbock, Texas.

I flew bombing missions as a radio operator/gunner in a B-24 bomber out of Guilia Field in Cerignola, Italy during WWII. Our main objective was to disable the German warm machine factories and the oil refineries which furnished fuel to operate the machines. By August, 1944, American planes had carried out many raids on the Ploesti Oil Refineries in Romania which furnished one third of Germany's fuel. Within days after a raid, these refineries would be up and running again. Three days before my crew flew its first bombing mission the death blow was struck and Ploesti was gone from the scene. This meant most of the German fighter planes were grounded because of lack of fuel. In their place were anti-aircraft guns. From then on our bombers passed over the targets amidst terrifying puffs of black smoke from the bursting shells from these guns--flak! At times flak was so thick we could not see the sun.

On August 22, 1944, our crew was ready to go our first mission: Blechhammer, Germany. I flew a total of 55 missions over ten countries, but Blechhammer was to become the most dreaded word I would ever hear. By daylight that day we loaded into the plane and were ready to taxi down the runway, anxiously anticipating the long flight over the Adriatic Sea to Blechhammer. We came home that night seasoned veterans. Seven planes from our group did not return. The

plane flying next to us lost a wing. When the crew abandoned ship, only nine parachutes from a ten-man crew were seen. The big bomber went into a deadly spiral toward the earth. As we watched and prayed, the plane leveled off for just a few seconds and the tenth parachute came out and opened. Planes were at our wing one minute and gone the next, evaporating into thin air from direct hits from the anti-aircraft guns. Some planes became huge fireballs when their fuel tanks were hit. Some went down with engines burning, no chance for the crew to escape. A few ditched in the Adriatic.

In October 1944, we flew to Blechhammer again. While over the target, we lost one of our engines to flak. Flak was so intense that our plane rocked and quaked from the hits and near misses. Our pilot managed to keep the plane in formation until after the bomb run was made and our load bombs dropped, then peeled sharply away to return to base. Normally, it took two hours to cross the Adriatic Sea, but today while we were crossing, two more engines went out. We went down to a very low altitude and it looked as though we might have to ditch in the Adriatic. We threw everything out that we could get loose from inside the plane to lighten our load: parachutes, flak suits, guns, ammunition--even our top-secret Norden bomb site went into the sea. The pilot barely managed to maneuver the big B-24 onto the runway at the Isle of Vis, a friendly base off the coast of Italy. After landing safely I climbed from the plane and counted 155 flak holes in our plane, ranging in size from one inch to 18 inches in diameter. I fell to my knees and kissed the welcome earth and thanked God for sparing our lives.

VETERANS DAY NOVEMBER 11, 1996

To Honor our Veterans and commemorate their achievements this year Thunder Prairie Publishing has asked for and received a number of memories from servicemen. In this way a few memories can be preserved in a small way for future generations to come across and ponder. There are so many memories that could be written down. Veterans and their families might consider preserving their memories for the future. Remember, for every line in a history book thousands more are unrecorded!
We salute each and every veteran of this nation.

Capturing a German officer

By Ed Gardiner, Lt. Col.-Inf.
USAR (retired)

The First Battalion of the 15th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Inf. Division was in regimental reserve about two miles behind the lines in the foot hills of the Vosges Mountains near Colmar France in early December 1944. It was cold, snow all over everything and a bright moonlight night. About 2 a.m. I had finished checking on the perimeter guards as ordered by the company commander. I walked up to the back of a half-track that had been set up with the regimental radios and parked about 50 yards from the command post. The "track" had been rigged up with a canvas top over the bed and I knew it would be warmer there than anything else around.

A rap on the steel door and the man on radio watch pushed one side open. I climbed in and sat down on the floor near the door with my back to the wall. The combination of the warmth from the radios (radios then had large vacuum tubes that ran hot) and the soft buzz of radios made me doze off.

A knock on the door by my side brought me back to reality and I unlatched the door and pushed it open. A figure stood there in white cover-

alls, what we called a "Ghost Suit" and asked if I had a cigarette. I shook one out and handed to him and then he asked if I had light, all in perfect "American". He stuck his head in the door and I lit a match. In the flare of that match I saw he had a schmiss machine pistol slung across his chest, leather equipment belt with a hand gun and a GERMAN steel helmet hung from his canteen! I grabbed my weapon leaning against the wall and knocked it over with a clatter.

Joe was trying to get his pistol to bear on the figure but was pointing it at me when the man said "Hold it boys, I'm here to surrender". He continued, "I am Major Herman _____ (I never got the last name, sounded like Schiller or Strikler) and I am cold, Hungry and tired and I quit!". He passed the Tommy gun in to me butt first, dropped the steel helmet on the ground and unhooked the equipment belt and handed it to me, then asked if he could get in the track. He was cold.

He sat on the floor opposite me for a few minutes without saying anything, all of us just looking at each other. Joe notified regiment what had happened and they advised that we

stay put until daylight, then bring him in. I asked about his perfect English and he told us he had graduated from the University of Wisconsin in 1938. He returned to Germany to visit his parents and had been drafted into the German Army. He said he hoped to be able to return to Wisconsin at the end of the war, that his parents were dead and he had no reason to return to Germany. (Joe and I have wondered for many years if he was ever able to do this).

Corporal Brooks was relieved about 6 a.m. and we escorted the German to the regimental headquarters and turned him over to the MP's. The regimental commander, Col. Britt was so pleased to have a high ranking enemy officer that he had us both awarded the Bronze Star Medal for "capturing" this high ranking officer then turned around and gave about 3 officers and 6 non-coms a terrible "eating out" for letting and enemy soldier who not only was able to get through the German lines but also ours without being challenged or shot! We were lucky he was not on a raiding mission, the ending of this story would have been very different.

From Europe to Japan with lots of stops between

Overton B. Perry of South Bend, IN submitted this war time memory to us.

He was a T4 Sgt. Technician in the 97 Infantry Division, Division Headquarters, Postal Section. His story certainly shows just how much moving around in the service! Mr. Perry also sent some copies of histories of Combat Divisions of World War II that we are keeping for possible future use.

I was drafted October 1942, and sent to Camp Walters in Mineral Wells, Texas. I was then transferred to Camp Joseph T. Robertson in Little Rock, Arkansas for eight weeks of basic infantry training. Fifty men were sent to Ft. Washington DC for Postal Clerk School. After six weeks of training, 7 were sent to Camp Swift, Bastrop, Texas as original cadre for the activation of the 97th Infantry Division, Postal Section APO 445.

The Division went to Fort Leonardwood, Missouri and then to Louisiana on maneuvers. I had two full truck loads of mail and could not deliver the mail Christmas Day because of weather conditions. The division returned to Fort Leonardwood, then transferred to San Louis Obispo, California, and then transferred to Camp Cook, California for South Pacific Training. One day, the division was ordered to unpack and repack so that we could be shipped for the European Theater of Operations! We landed in Lahauré, France, Camp Lucky Strike, in March of 1945. From there we fought our way to Prague, Czechoslovakia and the war ended. One of the infantry division men fired the last shot in the theater of operation.

We were sent back to the United States and spent 30 days at home. I reported back to Fort Bragg, North Carolina. I arrived on Wednesday and on Saturday departed with the division advanced party to Seattle, Washington. The train had a two hour layover in Prescott, Arizona. While there the Japanese offered to surrender. After arriving in Seattle, one week later our division was on a boat to Japan as Occupation Troops. I spent eight months in Japan and was shipped back to the United States for discharge.

A younger sister's memories

By Ruth Day O'Brien

In September of 1942 my oldest brother, J.W. Day was drafted into the Army Air Corps. He had never been out of Lamar County. He left a young bride, and mother and dad, six brothers and a sister. Being the only girl, he always sent me, his little sister, to the milk shed to ask our father for his Saturday night spending money. This was \$1.50 and he always shared 5 cents with me.

I received many cards and letters from my brother during the next three years, and a blue silk handkerchief with "Sister, U.S. Air Corp". I still have the cards, letters and the handkerchief. In those letters and cards he always reminded me (I was 8 years old) to "Help our mother". We never saw him again until October of 1945, but our parents and siblings were so glad to have him home again.

He served in Mississippi, Virginia, Maryland, Iceland and England during the war and died in June of 1965.

In Memoriam

Roy (Ed) Holmes
Nov. 14, 1924-March 9, 1945
Ed Holmes, son of Clarence and Lula Holmes, attended Pattonville schools, graduating from DePort High School -Class of '42. He was married to the former Geraldine Wright.

Ed was killed in action during the attack on Iwo Jima while serving with the 4th Marine Division, March 9, 1945.

Survivors are one brother, Maj (Ret.) James R. Holmes of San Antonio, Texas and one sister, Opal Barnes of Seattle, Washington.

Memories of Fighting, Mules and Castles

These memories were submitted by Maj. James R. Holes, (Ret.) of San Antonio, Texas.

1st Sgt. James Holmes of Pattonville Texas completed extensive training in Mississippi and Louisiana before sailing to Europe, landing at the "Port of Marseille, France" during World War II. Just prior to landing, he remembers the voice of "Axis Sally" coming over the P.A. system saying "Tonight we welcome the 103rd Division to France." We will receive you warmly-very warmly". That was an understated omen.

His unit was the first to land at Marseille, to become a part of the 7th Army. Combat began in the Vosges Mountains, on the outskirts of a village called St. Die. He remembers the company commander saying "If you live through this day you've got a good chance...It's ironic, the commander was killed that day! The mayor of St. Die vowed to name the town square for the 103rd Division. Holmes never saw the named square as his unit pushed on to Alsace and ultimately to the Siegfried Line.

As the attack progressed in the Haardt Mountains, resistance was fierce. Road junctions were well-mined, usually set up with machine guns as supporting fire.

Open ground was dangerous as the enemy had all likely routes of approach covered.

It was rough in the hills-slogging along, halt, slog again with weariness beginning. Man followed man, company followed company, slipping, sliding, sweating, swearing, halting briefly as the cold became almost unbearable.

The troops were loaded with equipment, having to drag it up the slippery slopes, through the brush and down the ravines. Carrying your rifle, a belt of ammunition, three bandoliers, a grenade launcher, three or more grenades, plus raincoat and sleeping bag (if you still carried it) your shovel and rations. The grenades were dangled from your bandolier or rifle strap, stashed in a jacket pocket or else hung from you pockets by jamming the grenade handle through a button hole. The four jacket pockets were the Infantryman's warehouse. Always room for one more thing, hoping to clean them out when you got the time, still "stuff" in them from Marseille. The jacket crisscrossed your rifle belt and the bandolier straps made you bulge like Mae West on the top and flare out like her at the hips.

As you ate your way through your "K" rations, you'd save the cigarettes, matches, candy, sugar, chewing gum

and toilet paper. The toilet paper was crammed into the shock bands of your helmet liner, the rest into a jacket pocket.

You started with a jacket pocket filing system-cigarettes and matches in right breast pocket, gum and sweets in the left, but you'd find a strap pinning the pocket shut, so you'd use another pocket, ending up with a conglomeration worse than the contents of a woman's handbag, in every pocket, always hunting in the wrong pocket, finding you couldn't get the pocket you wanted because a strap clamped it shut.

In December of 1944, the unit bumped against the strongest defensive line the world had ever known, the Siegfried Line. The Siegfried was designed as a permanent defensive line, with strong points backing up strong points, each mutually supporting. Fierce fighting attacks and counter attacks including close combat ensued. Heavy losses on both sides were encountered.

The company was short on supplies-re: ammunition and explosives. Holmes, being a farm boy, was selected to take a mule train (18 mules) to deliver supplies and rations to designated areas in the Siegfried Line. After delivery the mules were to be used to evacuate the killed in action (K.I.A.s) bodies. This proved to be more complicated than anticipated. The mules were reluctant to have frozen bodies attached, causing considerable movement and struggle, making them difficult to control.

This melee on the mountain was observed by the Germans, resulting in heavy artillery barrage. The health and welfare of the mules was no longer paramount by the person leading the mules! The mules, with the K.I.A.s attached, became wildly out of control. They became flutulent, kicking, bucking, snorting, and running in all directions. The unsupervised exercise results in bodies being scattered once again on "Pill Box" Hill.

After a lull in artillery fire the mules were caught and their mission was accomplished. One of the mules was wounded and treated at the battalion aid station, likely the only mules in the army to earn a Purple Heart!

The unit continued to fight for another three months inside the world's strongest defense positions with losses and more replacements. During this period, Sgt. Holmes was given a battle field commission to the grade of 2nd Lieutenant.

In late March of 1945, the unit punched a hole through the Siegfried Line. Holmes' platoon was attached

to "Task Force Rhine" a completely mechanized unit. It was dusk when tank-riding infantry men shoved off towards the Rhine River. Moving into enemy territory, instructions were to fire at anything that moved- "Reconnaissance by fire" is the military term. The task force overran and destroyed the German Army that defended the Siegfried Line. Forty miles into enemy territory the column stopped to refuel. The "Task Force" came upon a 12th century castle that had been fortified by the Germans and used as an Observation post.

Lt. Holmes was ordered to take his platoon from the "Task Force" and eliminate the enemy from "Landek Castle". His platoon started up the hill towards the castle just as dawn was breaking. The hill seemed to go up to about 70 degrees. The Germans tossed down boulders and hand grenades at the advancing platoon, scattered snipers throughout the woods, making the mission more perilous.

Lt. Holmes took one squad of men up a ravine and struck from the rear, making radio contact with his platoon Sgt. to advance a frontal assault. The platoon led by Lt. Holmes killed or wounded eighteen of the enemy before the remaining 37, including a Lt. Col. raised their hands in surrender.

While securing the castle Lt. Holmes rounded the corner of the building, meeting a German face to face. Both raised their weapons to fire. The German pulled the trigger first, forgetting that he had not released the safety on his weapon. As the platoon lined up the prisoners, on treacherous German suddenly pulled out a "Burp Gun" that had gone undetected. In both cases, Lt. Holmes prevented two Germans from causing damage to the platoon.

The platoon, accomplished their mission with minimum casualties. Returning to the base of the mountain and encountering one of his men, Lt. Holmes asked "What are you doing down here?" The soldier, shaking and crying said "Sir, I just couldn't fight any more, something told me that if I went up that mountain, I would die this day". Lt. Holmes gave the Corporal a cigarette and said, "Soldier, I had the same feeling while on top of that mountain."

The unit moved on through Germany into Austria and reached the Brenner Pass in the Alps with little resistance. On VE Day, Holmes thought of all the heroes left behind on the Siegfried Line and wished they could have been there to celebrate.

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Max, a different kind of sailor

By Richard Nance

While serving aboard the Coast Guard Cutter USS Klamath we had one crew member which was different from the ordinary sailor. His name was Maximilian Talisman (Max), his rank was that of boatswain's mate, 2nd class. Max, was a boxer dog. He came aboard with an officer. When that officer was transferred, Max stayed aboard with the crew. Max knew all of the 125 members of the crew. If a sailor came aboard that was not regular crew, Max let every sailor know by barking. Klamath's home port was Seattle. She was moored on the water front street adjacent to downtown Seattle. When some of the young, single sailors went on a liberty they took Max with them. All of the pubs on the waterfront new Max and would let him come in with the sailors. When the sailors wanted to be alone (probably with a girl friend) they would call a cab and the driver would take Max back to the ship.

Max was taught by the crew to get himself a drink from the cooler-type

water fountain. He could stand on his back legs, get his left paw on the button, and as the water squirted out he would lap it with his tongue.

Two sailors took Max downtown. While one was shopping the other one was standing just inside the door. He heard a lapping noise and turned around to find Max helping himself to a drink from the water fountain. He took Max outside, afraid civilians would think what Max did was unsanitary.

Max traveled to Hawaii, Midway Island, Japan, Adak, Alaska and through one storm with fifty foot waves! The storm was hard on Max, as he had no hands to grasp something to hold on to. Max didn't seem to minds too much, as usually some sailor would hold on to Max.

When I left, Max was still serving on board the Klamath.

Editor's Note: Richard Nance also left us some newspaper clippings with photos of Max when he was featured in the October, 1955 Seattle Times. They are reproduced here.

Remember Our Service Men & Women This Veterans Day



So many stories

A Bogata subscriber who lives in Pryor, Oklahoma, sent us a clipping from the newspaper there.

The story is about Pfc. John N. Reese, Jr.

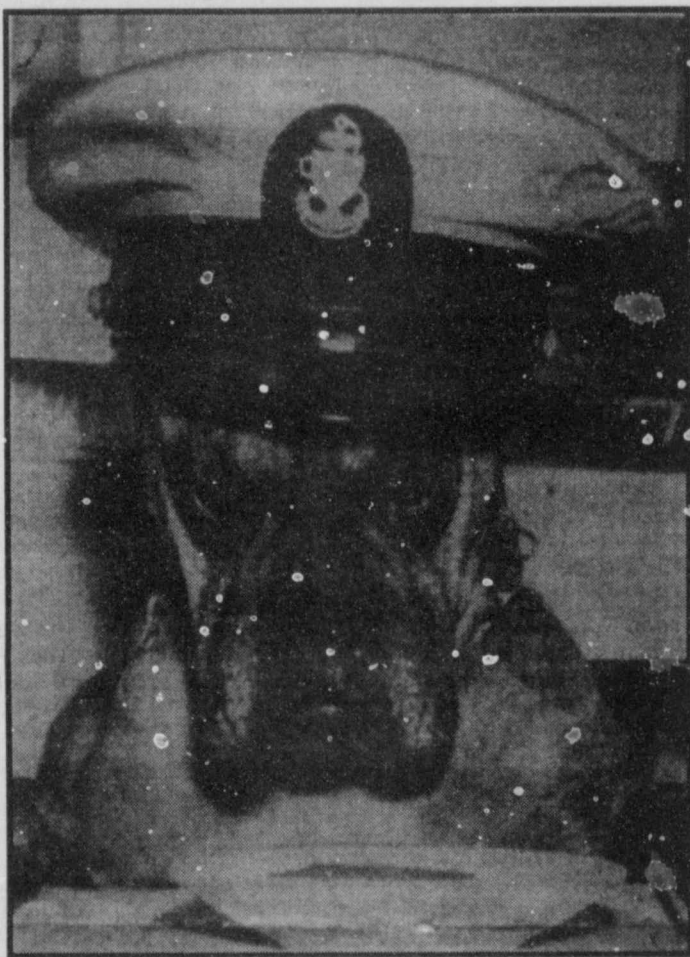
The article says that the Pryor native paved the way to America's victory in World War II in the battle of Manila. He was posthumously awarded the nation's highest military decoration.

Reese, age 21, was killed in the line of duty and he and a comrad killed "more than 82 Japanese, completely disorganized their defense and paved the way for subsequent complete defeat of the enemy at this stronghold"

The Congressional Medal of Honor was presented on Nov. 8, 1945.

His story is one of incredible courage, tenacity and determination.

While not a personal memory from a reader, it was moving to read, and reminds us all of that there are so many stories both known and unknown.



MAX -a different sailor! Max the boxer dog was Boatswain's Mate Second Class on the Coast Guard Cutter "Klamath" in the 1950's.

I never saw a Japanese the whole war!

By James A. Griffin.

It was cold March 3, 1942, and there was snow on the ground. My Dad came in the bedroom and informed me that it was time to leave. We left Depot at about 5 in the morning to catch a bus in Paris headed for the Army Reception Center in Mineral Wells.

We got all of our gear issued and started our long stay away from home. There were four of us from Depot leaving at the same time, Donald and Oscar Westbrook, Budget Marshall and myself. We were separated in Camp Walters and I was sent to Camp Crowder, Mo. I don't know how to describe the way I felt when I loaded on the troop train, except that I was already homesick and scared. I spent six weeks in Camp Crowder and then was sent to Orlando, Florida. I was in the Signal Corps and attached to the Army Air Force. I spent the next year training and playing baseball for Orlando. I don't know what part the baseball played in winning the war, but you did what they told you to do. I could have spent the whole war playing baseball, but like the "village idiot" I chose to go overseas with my own outfit.

We left Orlando on a troop train going to San Francisco, California. We were on the train for eight days and arrived in Frisco for departure to

the South Pacific.

While we were traveling through Utah the train stopped and there was a family standing at the depot to see "Pop" Dailey. Pop had five children and was 38 years old and drafted and sent to the South Pacific. I thought it was real good of the Army to arrange this last "good-bye" meeting for old "Pop". I began to realize what good-bye meant after this meeting, though.

We shipped out by loading on the Delta Queen, the Mississippi riverboat that is still in operation on the Mississippi river and boarded the troop ship in Frisco on Dec. 11, 1943. It would be two years to the day before we came back to the same place. We went on the Liberty Ship "Sea Barb" to Guadalcanal in the Solomon Islands. I was sent to Green Island at the tip of the Solomons.

The only contribution I made to the war was going on a PT support mission over New Ireland in a PBV. We dropped flares to light up the island so the PT boats could shoot up the enemy. I was scared to death all through the mission (The Japs did not even shoot at us) and after about seven hours we returned to Green Island. I was on New Guinea, Numfor Island and then to the Philippines for the remainder of the war.

We sailed under the Golden Gate Bridge at almost the same time of day when we got back, only it was two

years later than when we left.

The army was really good to me and many others. We got a college education for free and they paid us \$105 a month in cash then, when you had a child it was \$120 a month.

I went to East Texas State Teachers College, lived in what we called the "Chicken Shacks" and had it real good. I got a Master's Degree gratis the Army. I don't regret a day I spent from 1942 to 1945. I do not ever want to have to go through it again, but would not take anything for my experiences. I wish I could have been a "hero" like some from this area, but we all had a job to do and we did it the best we could.

I earned the following decorations and citations while I served four years: The American Theater Campaign; Asiatic-Pacific Medal with three bronze stars, Philippines Liberation Medal with one bronze star, Good Conduct Medal, Victory Ribbon, 1 Service Stripe, 4 Overseas Service Bars and I "never even saw a Jap!". My job in the South Pacific was to direct sea planes to pickup downed pilots who were in the ocean. Some had been shot down and some had mechanical trouble. I know we were helping to win the war with this job, but sometimes I felt like a "sad sack" until a downed pilot came by the information center & gave us a "fifth" & said "Thank You".

Fighting through five European countries

By Murl Roach

I received my draft card to go to Camp Walters at Mineral Wells, Texas in 1944. I had 17 weeks training. A lot of the boys were from the north and the hot weather was hard on them. I was raised around a saw mill and knew what hard work was. Everyone had to do part of KP duty. I trained at Pinto Ridge in the rocks & hills. Most of the time it seemed like KP duty was on weekends. While I was training my wife Margie & 1 1/2 year old daughter, Judy, came & spent a few weeks. During training time Margie got sick and I received a 10 day emergency furlough. When I went back to camp the boys I had trained with had shipped out. I did not see that group again.

I finished my 17 weeks of training, then received another 10 day delay enroute to Ft. Mead, Maryland as a replacement.

I left on a train from Paris, Tx. to Ft. Mead. I left my wife Margie, daughter Judy, my brother Mildred & my daddy Lee at the station. I stayed 10 days in Camp Mead, & was

then sent to Camp Kilmer, New Jersey for a few days. Boarded a ship called the "Mt. Vernon". Crossed the Atlantic ocean with 65 ships in convoy. Landed in England in the afternoon. Next morning about daylight I boarded another ship and crossed the English channel to LeHavre, France. We boarded trucks that drove through Paris, France without stopping. We drove about a day to the front lines where we joined the 26th Infantry and were assigned equipment. I was assigned to a machine gun company. We started walking through France.

One day there was a raid in the woods. My helmet was hit and it left a dent the size of an egg. It did not hurt me, but rang like a bell. I wanted to keep that helmet, but the officers wouldn't let me, I was assigned another one.

We fought in 5 countries, France, Belgium (Battle of the Bulge), Luxembourg, Germany and Austria.

We spent 21 days in one foxhole in Luxembourg. The snow was waist deep. We stayed in the foxhole all day and came out to walk around at night.

There were 3 of us buddies in the foxhole. During the time inside shells were really falling all over and the foxhole was covered with logs, ice and snow. We could make snow ice cream when we got hold of some sugar and milk.

One morning while traveling in Jeeps after crossing the Rhine river the Germans hit the bridge with bombs and knocked it out behind us.

We traveled through little towns and saw few people. They were friendly. We spent the nights in houses or barns are anywhere we could to keep warm.

After the Germans gave up they came in throwing their guns in a big pile. The next day you could see older men and little boys that were left get their sheep out of barns and start out across the pastures to graze.

Afterward it ended I had to wait 8 months to come home. I landed in New Jersey on my 22nd birthday. After a week I boarded a train for Tyler. My family was there to meet me. I went over and back on a ship and didn't know how to swim. I still don't!

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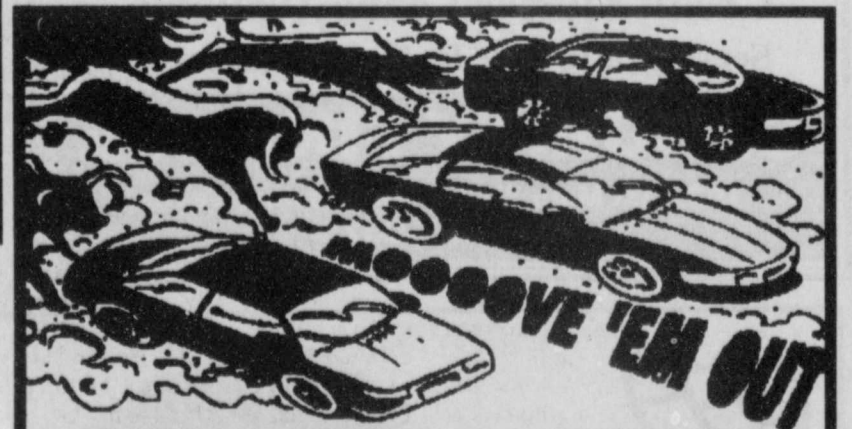
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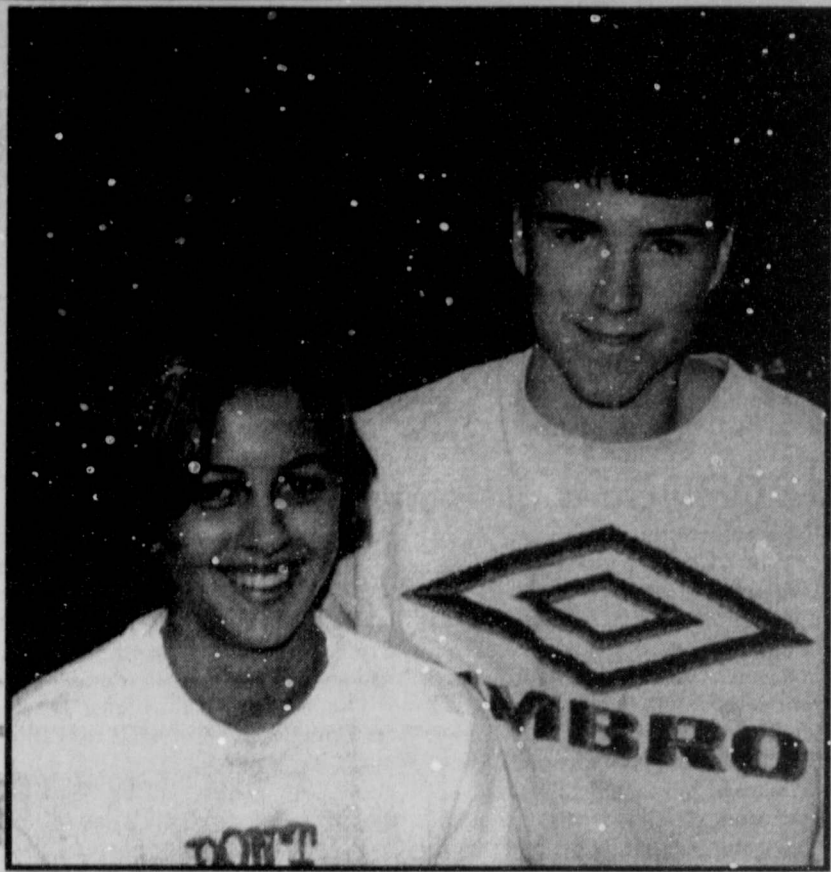
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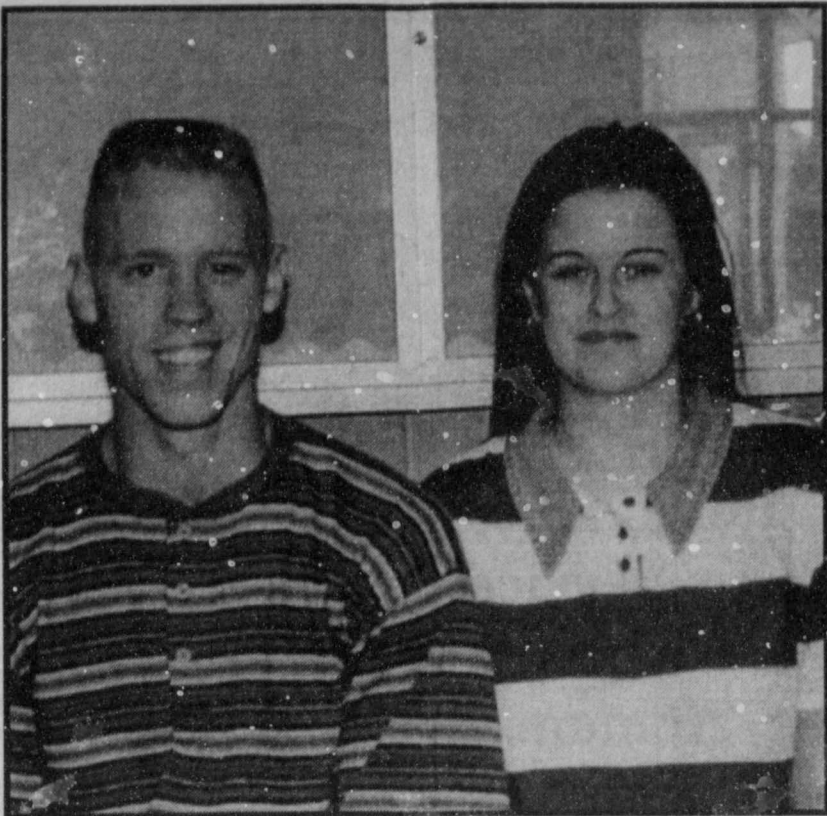
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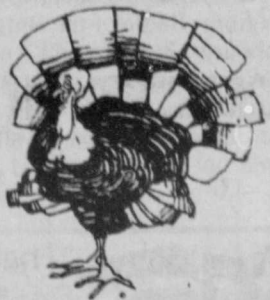
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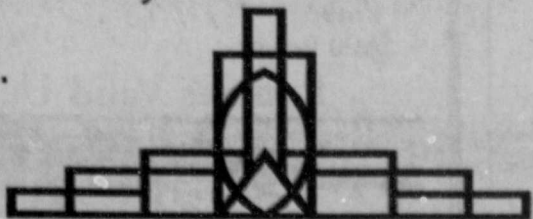
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Those attending were: Sharon Francis of Deport, Margie and James Walker, Doyle and Bettye Williams, Marty and Crystal Williams all of Cuthand, Joe, Jeannie, Joseph and Meriam Williams of Hagensport, John and Carol English of Cuthand, Maggie Lee, Helen Williams, Willie Mae Gray, Willie Mae Topping, Ennis and Nettie Moore, Molee Hudleston, Charlie and Donnie Lewis, Mickey and Edith Williams, Gena and Wesley Haggard and Doug, Kathy and Kevin Williams all of Bogata, Mary Ellen and Dick Kain of Pine Branch, Brandon Williams of Tulsa, Oklahoma, Odetha Dubberly of Haynesville, Louisiana.

Dropping by were Wilma Moore of Bogata, Kenda Guess and Dani Brown and Patsy Moles of Talco.

A special birthday dinner was enjoyed by all.

Willie made a wish and blew out her candles before opening many lovely gifts given to her by friends and family.



BAND STUDENT OF THE WEEK-from the Bogata School is Jazmine Chardai Barnett. Jazmine is a 6th grader. She is the daughter of Billy and Evelyn Scales of Bogata. Her grandparents are Vella Mae and Arice Scales of Bogata and Lena and Sudie Barnett of Greenville. Jazmine's favorite activities are playing saxophone, basketball and softball. She is a member of the Girl Scouts, Band and plays Little Dribbler basketball and summer league softball. She was a member of the Bogata Stars summer league team. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Rivercrest Menu November 11-15

Monday

Lunch
Pizza
Corn
Salad
Fruit
Milk

Tuesday

Lunch
Chili Dogs
Pork & Beans
French Fries
Dessert
Milk

Wednesday

Lunch
Chicken & Dumplings
Carrots
Green Beans
Crackers
Milk

Thursday

Lunch
Corn Dogs
Macaroni & Cheese
Black-eyed Peas
Pickle Spears
Fruit
Milk

Friday

Lunch
Hamburgers
Salad
Beans
Chips
Ice Cream
Milk

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* November 11 Post 8187 will have chili and all the trimmings with lots of good desserts. We invite everyone to come out to enjoy the day with us. Serving will begin at noon.

*Comrades and Auxiliary members will place flags on veterans graves in Bogata and Rosalie cemeteries on November 6. If we should miss your loved one please contact us. Someone will be happy to give you a flag for your vet or place one for you. Some of the graves are not marked and if we don't know, sometimes we miss them.

Senior Pep Rally

The Senior pep rally will be held at Rivercrest High School on Friday, Nov. 8 at 9:45 a.m.

The day is also senior dress up day in honor of the last pep rally the class will attend as students at RHS. Everyone is invited to attend this last regular pep rally of the season to build the Rebel spirit and honor the senior students.

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DR. PEPPER PLAY OF THE DAY-was made this week by Jody Nolen for his bone crushing run in the first half. Jody ran of 15 yards to set up the Rebels tying score and in the process smashed two Alba-Golden defenders. Jody is a Junior at RHS and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Nolen of Talco. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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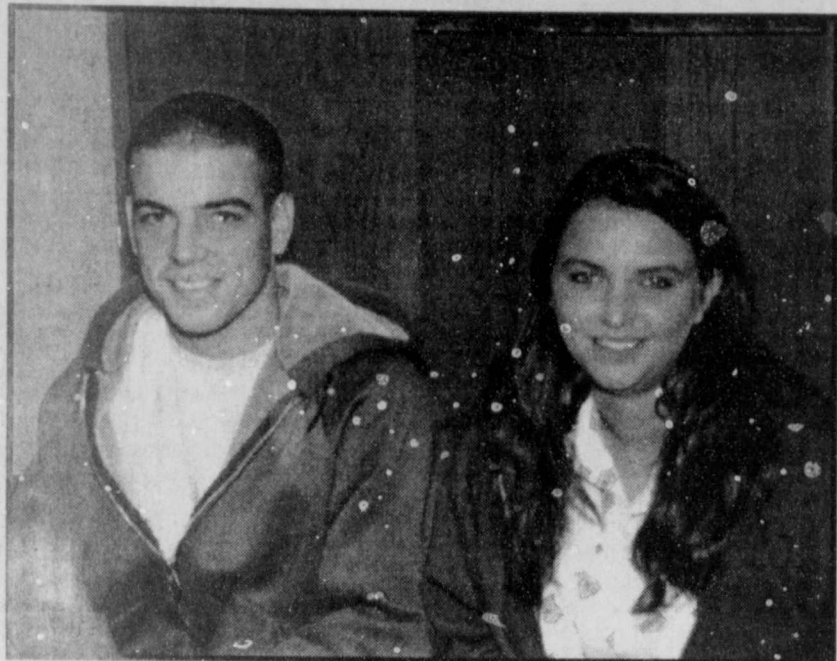
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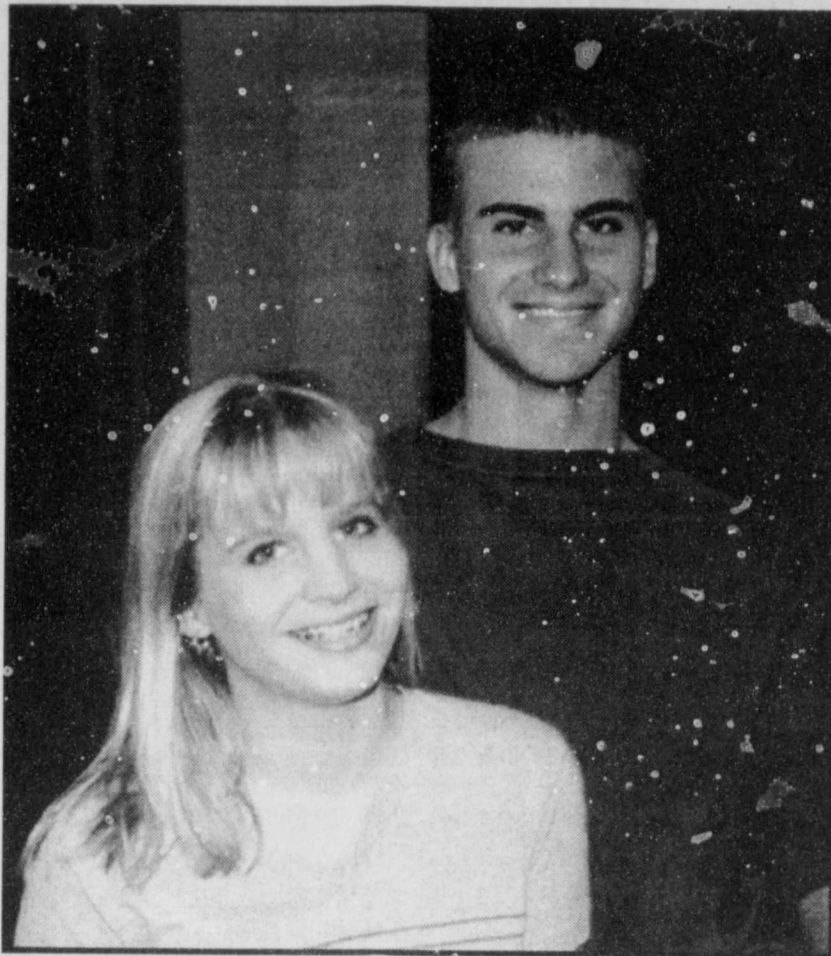


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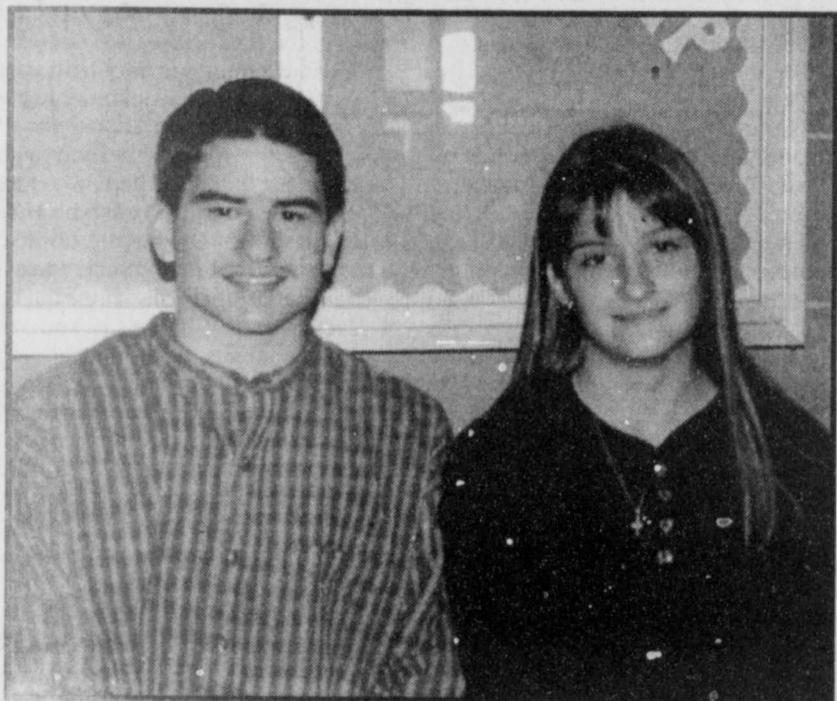
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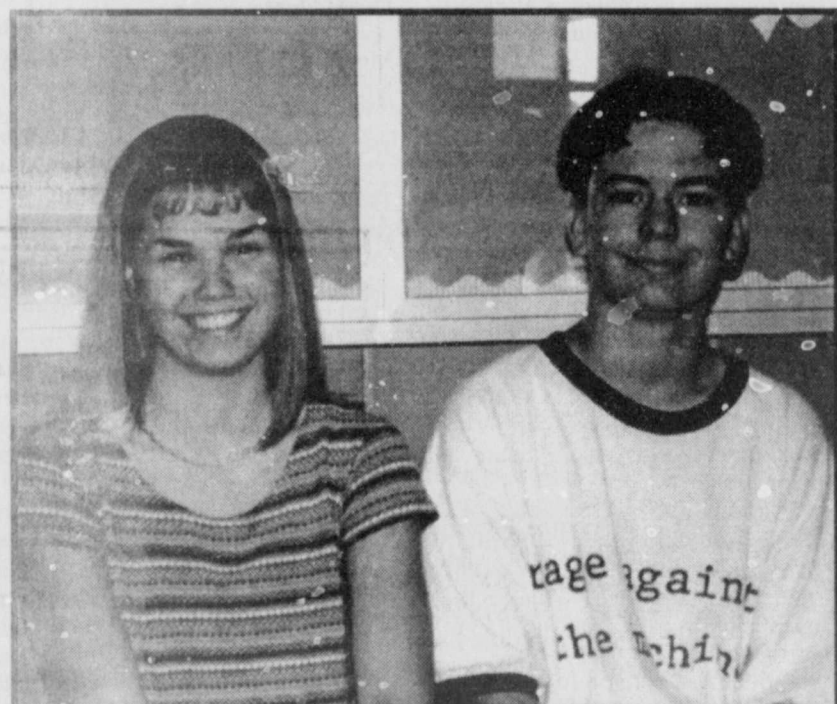
BEST SENSE OF HUMOR-Chosen as the students with the Best Sense of Humor from the Rivercrest Senior class were; Michael Deming and Missy Gentry. Michael is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Deming of Talco. Missy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ronny Birchfield of Sugar Hill and Andy Gentry of Mt. Pleasant. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



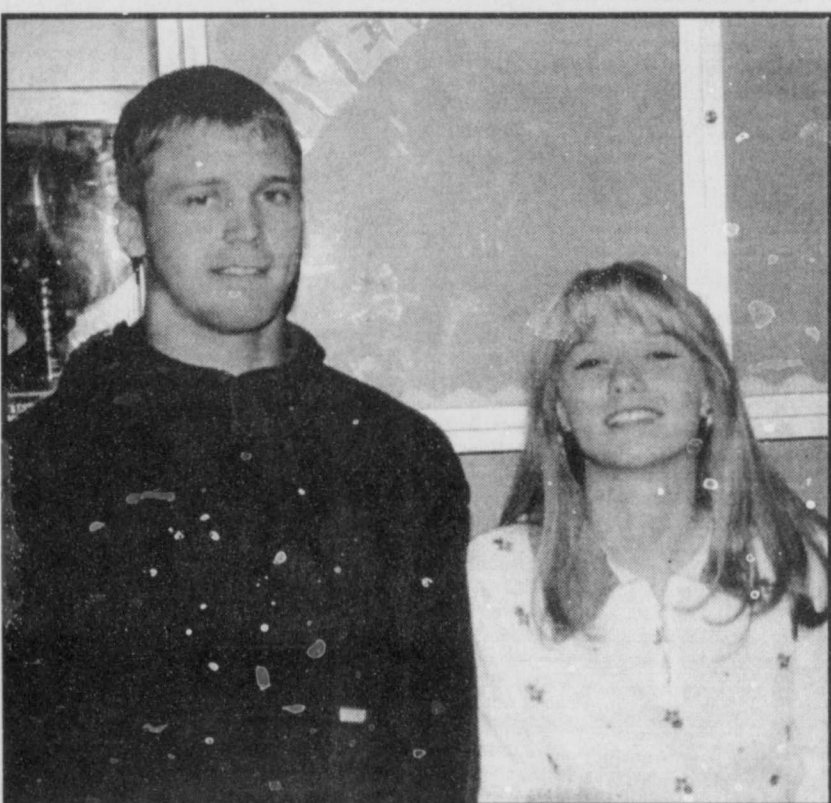
MOST HANDSOME AND MOST BEAUTIFUL-Chosen as Most Handsome and Most Beautiful from the Rivercrest Senior class were; Clint Gage and Mandi Alford. Clint is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Gage of Talco. Mandi is the daughter of Ronny and Kathy Alford both of Bogata. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



MOST HANDSOME AND MOST BEAUTIFUL-Chosen as Most Handsome and Most Beautiful from the Rivercrest Sophomore class were; Chad Holland and Joanie Swarts. Chad is the son of June Sloan of Bogata. Joanie is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Swarts of Talco. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



MOST HANDSOME AND MOST BEAUTIFUL-Chosen as Most Handsome and Most Beautiful from the Rivercrest Freshman class were; Kirk King and Nicole Hervey. Kirk is the son of Evelyn Greger of Bogata. Nicole is the daughter of Nancy Puckett of Bogata and Butch Hervey of Paris. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



MOST HANDSOME AND MOST BEAUTIFUL-Chosen as Most Handsome and Most Beautiful from the Rivercrest Junior class were; Jody Gray and Malory Chaloner. Jody is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Gray of Bogata. Malory is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bill Chaloner of Bogata. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

In rivers, the water that you touch is the last of what has passed and the first of that which comes: so with time present.
—Leonardo da Vinci



Talco Locals

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Dorothy Foster of Joliet and Nannie Bell Ham of Deport visited Vivian Fail this past week.

Michale Noble of Dallas visited over the weekend with his parents and sisters, Erin and Katie. He attended the Rivercrest vs Alba-Golden football game and enjoyed seeing the Rebels reach the play offs with their win.

Lloyd Gauntt was honored on his 85th birthday with a pizza party, cake and all the trimmings on Sunday, Nov. 3 at the home of daughter, Carolyn and Rex Westerman. Attending were; Heather, Stormey,

Sidney and Joe Edge of Talco, Samuel, Crystal, Kerri and Dakota of Naples and Katy and Lance Carpenter and Zachary of Daingerfield.

Paul Presley of Paris visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ronny Presley Sunday afternoon.

Andy Speir and Carl Antone of Commerce visited with Jack and Nancy Brown Wednesday evening.

Mark and Landon Harris of Bridges Chapel visited Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Fail Thursday evening.

The Talco Assembly of God Church reports a good turn out for revival services this past week.

Yvonne and Glen Harris spent Saturday through Tuesday on vacation. They visited Mr. and Mrs. Stan Bruce and children in Keene and other family in the Dallas area.

Lisa Beard, Ferrier and J.D. of Gladewater and Lynn and Ann Fail of Kilgore visited Friday with Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Fail.

The Talco Assembly of God Church enjoyed a fellowship meeting following evening services Sunday Nov. 3.

Michael Noble of Dallas visited Friday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Brown and Jack.

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I remember Miss Patricia Felts

By June Gullion Watts

Miss Felts was one of my favorite teachers at Bogata High School. She was, also, the sponsor for the annual.

How surprised I was to read my name on the annual staff list. It was posted in the old freshman and sophomore study hall in September of 1951.

It was so much fun to pile in her light blue coupe Oldsmobile and go to Clarksville and sell ads for the annual. She was different when we were out selling ads. She had a witty, sharp sense of humor and I loved that side of her. Some people never saw this in her.

Some times you might meet her in the hall and she might not speak. It wasn't because she was unfriendly; it was because she was in deep thought.

I went on two annual trips with her on the big yellow bus. The first one was in the spring of 1952. The trees were all leafed out and the flowers were in bloom, but we weren't thinking about trees and flowers then. All we could think about was getting to go somewhere. We went to beautiful Beaver's Bend State Park in Oklahoma. I remember a dead tree hung out over the water. We had a marvelous time.

The next year in the spring of 1953

we again rode the big yellow school bus to colorful Hot Springs, Arkansas for my second annual trip. Mr. Kelly was the bus driver. He and Miss Felts cooked our breakfast over coals. I can almost smell the bacon frying even now, 44 years later. I was so surprised that MISS FELTS COULD COOK! Breakfast was delicious! I don't remember the other meals. Maybe it was because I was still in shock over Miss Felts' domestic side, but I was very pleased. We, again had a wonderful time.

In the classroom she was very, very strict. I was like Sarah in the Old Testament; I tried to help her out one day with a student. She let me know that it was her English class and she would help students who needed help. Although that hurt, I still liked her because she was right.

One day in English class a student took the Lord's name in vain. She heard him and the next day she made him apologize to the entire class. Not only did she teach us English grammar and literature, she taught us morals.

So you can see why she was one of my favorite teachers at Bogata High School.

Rebel & Lady Rebel Basketball Schedule 1996-97

Date	Team	Place	Time
November			
5	Paul Hewitt Scrimmage A, B, Girls	Here	5:00
9	Ore City Scrimmage A, B, Girls	Here	10:00 a.m.
12	Ore City A, B Girls	There	5:30
15	Dekalb, A, B, C Boys	Here	5:00
19	Clarksville A, B Girls	There	5:00
	Commerce A, B, C Boys	Here	4:30
22	Mt. Vernon A, B Girls, A, B Boys	There	4:00
25	Mt. Vernon 9th Boys	There	7:00
26	James Bowie A, B Girls	Here	6:00
	Mt. Pleasant A, B, C Boys	There	4:30
29	Grand Saline A, B Girls	Here	6:00
	Commerce A, B, C Boys	There	3:00
December			
3	Saltillo A, B Girls	There	6:00
	Mt. Pleasant A, B, C Boys	Here	4:30
5-7	Detroit Varsity Girls & Boys Tournament	There	TBA
6-7	North Hopkins JV Girls Tournament	There	TBA
10	Roxton A Girls, A, B Boys	There	5:00
12-14	North Hopkins Tournament A Girls, A Boys	There	TBA
	Sulphur Springs Tournament B, C Boys	There	TBA
13-14	Mt. Pleasant JV Girls Tournament	There	TBA
17	Mt. Vernon A, B, C Boys	Here	4:30
	Alba-Golden A, B Girls	There	5:00
20	Dekalb A, B, C Boys	There	5:00
	Chisum A, B Girls	Here	6:00
26-28	Leonard Tournament A Girls	There	TBA
	Roxton Tournament A Boys	There	TBA
January			
*2	Lone Oak A Girls, A, B Boys	There	5:00
*4	Prairiland A, B Girls, A, B Boys	Here	4:00
*7	Como-Pickton A, B Girls, A, B Boys	There	4:00
9	Chapel Hill 9th Boys	There	6:00
*10	Honey Grove A, B Girls, A, B Boys	Here	4:00
*14	Cooper A, B Girls, A, B Boys, B Boys 1st	There	4:00
16	Chapel Hill 9th Boys	Here	7:00
17	Alba-Golden A, B Girls, A, B Boys	Here	4:00
18	Mt. Vernon 9th, JV Boys	There	TBA
*21	Chisum A, B Girls, A, B Boys	There	4:00
*24	Lone Oak A, B Girls, A, B Boys	Here	4:00
27	Mt. Vernon 9th Boys	Here	7:30
*28	Prairiland A, B Girls, A, B Boys	There	4:00
*31	Como-Pickton A, B Girls, A, B Boys	Here	4:00
February			
*4	Honey Grove A, B Girls, A, B Boys	There	4:00
6	Chapel Hill 9th Boys	There	6:00
*7	Cooper A, B Girls, A, B Boys, B Boys 1st	Her	4:00
*11	Alba-Golden A, B, C Boys	There	5:00
*14	Chisum A, B, C Boys	Here	5:00
13 or 14	Bi-District Girls		
18	Area Girls		
21	Bi-District Boys		
21-22	Girls Regional Tournament		
25	Area Boys		
28-March 1	Boys Regional Tournament		
March 6-8	Girls State Tournament		
	Boys State Tournament		



Jamie Brown

Jamie Brown Inducted Into Phi Alpha Theta Chapter

On October 14th Jamie Brown, son of Frank Brown of Paris and grandson of James & Mary Brown of Bogata was inducted into the Eta Beta Chapter Of Phi Alpha Theta at Texas A & M - Commerce.

A college senior seeking a B.A. in History, Jamie placed in the top 10% of history students nationwide to become eligible. The ceremony only inducted 13 new members this semester.

To celebrate Jamie and his father Frank went to Texas Stadium on Sunday, October 20th to watch the Dallas Cowboys beat the Atlanta Falcons 32 to 28.

Litter, Litter and More Litter

By Jack Dodd

The average Texan throws away more than 6 pounds of garbage a day and more than 22 million pounds of garbage go to Texas landfills each year. Some of this waste is recyclable. By simply recycling, we can reduce the burden on our landfill. Save tax dollars. Preserve our natural resources and protect our beautiful Texas landscape.

Overcrowded cities and waste from manufacturing plants during the industrial revolution made a constant problem. The amount of litter has increased over history along with the amount of industry. (Been to Houston lately? As industries began to produce more and more items, people consumed more and created more trash. We still struggle with how to handle our trash and litter today. Its up to us to start by putting waste in its place - the trash can.

Trash is one thing everyone wants picked up - but nobody wants us to put it down.

What is litter? According to Keep America Beautiful, litter is "waste" made by humans that is discarded in an inappropriate place - like streets, playground, parks, along the highways and county roads, etc.

Most people who litter use 3 excuses-

1. People litter in places that they do not feel belongs to them.
2. People litter where they think someone else will clean up after them (School grounds, stadiums, highways, etc.)
3. People litter where someone else has littered.

Litter is carried by wind, water and

Veteran wins quilting prize at State Fair

Dave Butler quilts. He took up sewing quilts in 1982 after retiring from a long life of work, ranging from the oil business to candy wrapping. He also served in the Army during the last years of World War II and received a purple heart and Bronze Star.

Although he has lost count of the number of quilts he's made over the years, Dave Butler knows he has never sold more than four. He makes them as gifts of love for friends and family members.

Butler was born on July 8, 1920 in the Clarksville area. He was second to the youngest of eight children and has worked all his life. He was raised on a farm, and his dad was killed when he was 4 years old. After his dad died he spent his early years working on the farm. He only finished the seventh grade. He worked all the time doing whatever he could; picking cotton, sawing wood or whatever. Back in those days nobody had electric lamps. In fact the Butlers didn't have any until 1946. You just had to live with what you had.

Butler served as a tank gunner in the war and received his Bronze Star after escaping an enemy onslaught by crossing the Rhine River in a tank.

Toward the end of the war, he was severely hurt while trying to load a shell into a gun and was dismissed from the front line. He received a

short tour of duty in Belgium and then returned to the United States.

The Butlers were stationed in Fort Hood until 1946 when he got out of the Army. They returned to their farm for two years then moved to Dallas.

For 21 years Butler worked for the Peter Paul Candy Company.

Lung problems forced Butler to really retire and stay at home where he spent his days woodworking in his outdoor shop. Soon though, dust from that hobby added to his health concerns. Three years ago Butler was diagnosed with lung and prostate cancer. He received radiation treatments and seems to be in full remission.

Because of his lungs he had to find a new indoor hobby. This is why he began quilting. His wife's niece owns quilting company in Irving and she taught him how to use the sewing machine. He made the quilts to give to his children and grandchildren as gifts. He never thought the work would be good enough to sell.

He was encouraged to enter his quilts in the State Fair of Texas. To his surprise he won. When Butler isn't busy with his many quilting projects, he enjoys spending time with his family, particularly his grandchildren.

(The story about Dave Butler is taken from a story published in The Lewisville Leader.)

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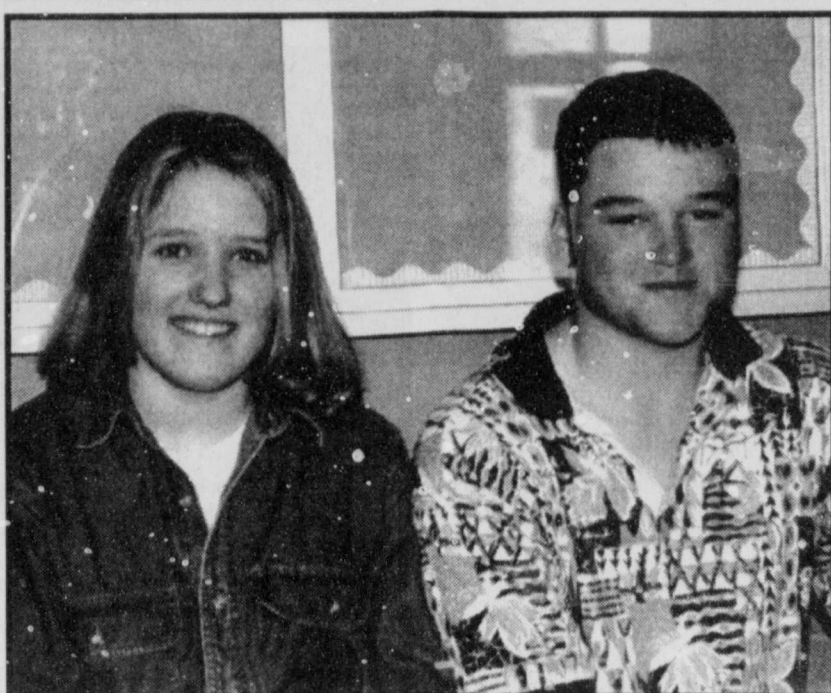
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BEST SENSE OF HUMOR-Chosen as the students with the Best Sense of Humor from the Rivercrest Junior class were; Shannon Sessums and Angie Elliott. Shannon is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Sessums of Bogata. Angie is the daughter of Lisa Segleski of Bogata and Troy Elliott of Houston. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



BEST SENSE OF HUMOR-Chosen as the students with the Best Sense of Humor from the Rivercrest Sophomore class were; Aaron Martin and Debra Janes. Aaron is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Martin of Bogata. Debra is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tim English of Bogata (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

State President visits Northeast Texas

Eve Baldwin, State President of the Ladies Auxiliary to the VFW recently visited members of northeast Texas at a District 12 VFW meeting. More than 85 ladies gathered at the Post in Winnsboro last weekend to welcome her to northeast Texas.

President Baldwin was treated to a luncheon with the ladies before they spent the afternoon shopping at local antique and craft stores. Sunday, she attended their memorial service and business meeting, where she gave a brief school of instruction on several of the state and national programs.

She discussed the statewide project for the year, the Scottish Rite

Children's Hospital. The auxiliaries brought craft items to be donated to the hospital for their use in a fundraiser bazaar in the spring. They also brought toys decorated with Buddy Poppies for display. These toys were returned to the auxiliaries to be donated to local shelters for abused children.

Those attending from the local VFW and Auxiliary were Vernon Friday, Post Commander, JoAn Ross, Auxiliary President, Pat Friday, District Senior Vice President, Paul Smith, Virginia Atkins, Shirley Smith, Paula Gaston and Brandy Coco, Junior Girl Unit President.



BEST SENSE OF HUMOR-Chosen as the students with the Best Sense of Humor from the Rivercrest Freshman class were; Mitchell Jean and Mishelle Carroll. Mitchell is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Jean of Joliet. Mishelle is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Randy Carroll of Talco. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Drug prevention tips for parents

Fortunately, there is a lot that parents can do to protect children from using and abusing drugs. Rivercrest High School is in the process of reactivating the D-FY-IT (Drug Free Youth In Texas) program. These are some of the helpful hints the organization offers.

1. Be a good role model. Consider how your use of tobacco alcohol, prescription medicines and over the counter drugs influences your children.
2. Build your child's self-esteem. Help children to feel good about themselves by emphasizing what they do right.
3. Teach your children values such as honesty, self-reliance and responsibility.
4. Educate yourself about alcohol and other drugs and give your children the straight facts.
5. Encourage good communication and decision making skills.

6. Teach your children how to confidently say "No" and resist peer pressure to use drugs.

7. Establish and enforce clear, strong, no alcohol/drug use rules.

8. Teach your kids to manage stress in healthy ways (for example, exercise, hobbies, sports and conversation).

9. Love your child unconditionally.

10. Get serious. There is a serious drug and alcohol problem in our country today. It affects children, teenagers and adults of all races and religions, men and women, rich and poor.

As parents, you want your children to grow up healthy, educated and ready and able to meet the challenges of the future. But taking drugs can take that future away. Drugs will only make a bad situation worse and children need to understand this important fact.

Bogata Locals

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Dr. and Mrs. Sammy Holder of Linden visited on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Ward.

Saturday, Jennifer Reeder and Riley attended the Bogata Harvest Festival with Granny Gray. In the afternoon they visited with PaPa Gray and Margaret Davis.

Sunday, Jessica and Danny Hines, Judy and Harold Holt, Heather and Heath ate lunch with Jerry and Gerlyn Gray and Margaret Davis. Linda Gray visited in the afternoon to wish Heather a Happy Birthday.

Sunday evening, Jennifer and Rusty Reeder and Riley hosted a birthday party for Heather Holt at their home in Paris. Heather enjoyed playing with her cousin, opening her presents and watching The Lion King.

Judy Holt is at home recuperating from a serious auto accident in which she was involved Monday, October 28.

Mike, Bren, Kara and Hali Screws from Deport, Chris Anna, Jerry, Christopher and Jerred Guerra from Paris and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Screws and Tana all had dinner at Imperial China Restaurant in Paris Saturday night to celebrate Chris Anna's 30th birthday which was November 3.

Christopher and Jerred Guerra of Paris spent the night with Mr. and

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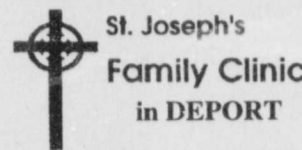
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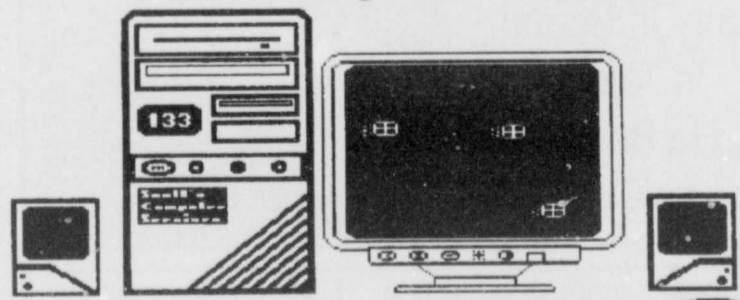


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Letter to the Editor

It doesn't take a big party to enjoy your birthday and even without a cake. I got up Tuesday, was sitting watching TV. I thought, "Well Phooey, I ought to be able to do just what I want to do today. After all October 29 is my 70th birthday." Suddenly the phone rang. At the other end of the line was one of my dearest friends and one of my working friends in the past, Mrs. Nannie Belle Ham. When asked what I was doing I laughed and said, "Just What I want to." She wanted to come over and I said, "Sure". She and I always enjoy being with each other. After lunch I said, "Let's drive to Talco and visit with Vivian and J.C. Fail." Vivian is also another one of my dear friends and a working buddy.

Only thing, Nannie Belle and Vivian hadn't seen each other in about 15 years, so I couldn't get a word in edgewise, but J.C. is pretty well bound to the house and he and I enjoyed visiting. When we started home, Nannie Belle always sees all the pretty leaves and houses and so on and comments about God's beauty which I think no one could deny this time of the year.

Upon returning home I received a birthday greeting from my friend, Mrs. Bowen and a box of cards in the mail.

Shortly before dark a knock on the door came. "Guess who". No one but our pastor's wife, Chessie Clark. She brought a gift and one of the sweetest cards I have ever read. And last but not least came my only son, Marion, with card and gift from him and Cookie, Jenny and Ken. David, My nephew said "Happy birthday. Aunt dot. What do you need?" I said, "Just love me, and I know you do because you tell me you do."

God is love. Give someone your love today.

Dorothy Foster

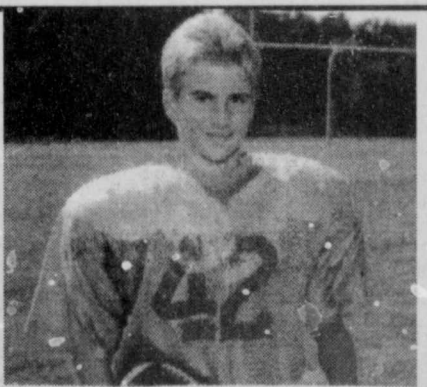
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TRICK OR TREATING-at Red River Healthcare Center was Darian Smith. She is receiving

her treat from Alma Lowry. (Staff Photo)



FIRST GRADE-at Bogata School was in charge of taking pictures at The Harvest Festival

on Saturday. Sandra Mauldin is taking a picture of Sarynthia



BEST COSTUME-awards at the Bogata Junior High Pep Rally on Halloween Day went

to Kellee Stieve and Stephanie Coggins. (Staff Photo)

Red River County Sheriff's Report

October 27: Report of fire on FM910 south; possible public intoxication at Garland Cemetery; criminal mischief in Avery; animal complaint north on Highway 37; theft south of Woodland; deadly conduct near Cut-hand; animal complaint south of Detroit.

October 28: Animal complaint in Detroit; minor accident in Detroit; burglary in Negley; burglary of building at Rivercrest High School; report of theft in Bogata; criminal mischief in Bogata; animal complaint near English.

October 29: Possible runaway in Bogata; report of theft in Detroit; spotlighting on FM909; possible violation of protective order in Detroit.

October 30: Animal complaint in Lone Star community; possible DWI in Clarksville; suspicious vehicle in Avery; reckless driving in Bogata; report of prowler in Detroit.

October 31: Criminal mischief in Detroit; activated alarm on Co Rd. 1425; criminal mischief in Detroit.

November 1: Animal complaint in Negley; telephone harassment in Negley; animal complaint on FM910; possible juvenile runaway on FM1159; criminal mischief in FM910; report of welfare concern near Woodland.

November 2: Activated alarm in Avery; assault in Bogata;

Letters To The Editor

TO THE EDITOR:

The Bogata Lions Club will hold a stew supper and pie auction on Saturday, November 23, at the Community Center in Bogata. The proceeds from this fund raiser will be used for various projects sponsored by the Lions Club.

The Lions Club gives a scholarship to a graduate of Rivercrest High School each year, purchases glasses for needy children and in partnership with the City of Bogata, maintains the Community Center and Thomas Park. There are other projects of lesser nature that the Lions participate in. These projects would not be successful without the time, effort and money furnished by the people of Bogata and surrounding area, non lions and Lion members alike.

In the next couple of weeks the lions will be taking donations of \$3.00 per ticket for the stew supper to be held on the 23rd of November. Purchase tickets for your family and join in for a social and a good meal. The proceeds from your participation will benefit our community.

Thank you,
Neil Rozell

TO THE EDITOR:

Last Saturday I was privileged to take part in the "Old fashioned singing" held as a part of the Bogata School Harvest Festival. Young and old gathered in the gymnasium to kick off the day's events. After several songs, which seemed to be enjoyed by all, Neva Jean Oats concluded the singing with "Thank God for Kids." As she was singing, I noticed a break in her voice and realized that she was crying. The lyrics of the song came alive as she sang them straight from her heart. Then, across the gym, I noticed several of our teachers with eyes beginning to spill over with tears. Some of these teachers taught my children and are now teaching my grandchildren; some of them are just beginning their teaching careers, but it was quite clear that they all share the passion of molding our future generations.

Needless to say, I was deeply touched. These teachers who deal with our children day after day who see them at their worst and their best and somehow manage to help prepare them for adulthood, portrayed a beautiful picture of true dedication. I thought of how blessed we are to have great teachers as these in our community. As Neva Jean finished the song, "Thank God for kids", I added the words, "Thank God for Good Teachers."

Mollie Williams

Old News

Excerpts Taken From
Bogata News

The Week of November 7, 1976 & 1946

Twenty Years Ago This Week

Jimmy Carter wins the presidency defeating Gerald Ford.
Mr. and Mrs. Doug Alsobrook were honored on the 50th wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Leggett celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.
Mrs. Joy King of Arlington, Mrs. Virginia Coats and Jack Pike of Grand Prairie spent the week-end at their home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Hudson and family of Mesquite spent Sunday with their parents, Mrs. Nina Hudson and Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Cheatwood.

Fifty Years Ago This Week

The marriage of Preston E. Shoffner to Miss Minnie Lee Faulkner of Childress on October 22 was announced.

Seventh grader, Jewel Alice Townes was crowned Halloween Queen by F.L. Branson, Superintendent of Bogata Schools at the Halloween Carnival. Her escort was Junior Pittman. Other contestants and their escorts were First Grade- Ouida Westbrook and Lynn Buckman, Second Grade-Patsy Ann Franklin and Neil Rozell, Third Grade-Sonya Bell and Wade Williams, Fourth Grade-Ann Jones and Melvin Harold Vaughan, Fifth Grade-June Blankenship and James L. Gibbs, Sixth Grade- Patricia Hanson and Thomas Stratton, Eighth Grade-Margaret Whitten and Royce Burns, Freshmen- Virginia Donaldson and Claude Earl Reynolds, Sophomores- Eldeva Cathcart and Jimmy Gullion, Juniors-Virginia Bratton and W.C. Mauldin and Seniors- Margie Brown and Jack Holt. Flower girls were Mary Susan Lawson and Donna Ann Rozell and the speaker was Dean Leggett.

Sallie Jones, Marzella Hughes, Margaret Stratton, Ruth Wharton, Bettie Sue Bell, Mary Evelyn Hoover, Bobby Hinson and Dean Leggett attended a birthday luncheon for June Troutt on her 16th birthday.

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- Corn
- Salad
- Fruit
- Milk

Tuesday

Breakfast

- Cinnamon Rolls
- Graham Crackers & Peanut Butter
- Juice & Milk
- Lunch
- Hot Dogs
- French Fries
- Pork & Beans
- Dessert
- Milk

Wednesday

Breakfast

- Sausage & Biscuit
- Jelly
- Juice & Milk
- Lunch
- Chicken & Dumplings
- Carrots
- Green Beans
- Crackers
- Milk

Thursday

Breakfast

- Pancakes
- Syrup
- Juice, Milk
- Lunch
- Corn Dogs
- Macaroni & Cheese
- Black-eyed Peas
- Pickle Spears
- Milk

Friday

Breakfast

- Cereal
- Toast & Jelly
- Juice, Milk
- Lunch
- Cheeseburgers
- Salad & Pickles
- Beans
- Chips
- Ice Cream
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ENTERTAINERS-at Bogata School's Harvest Festival Saturday were Angela Rose, Mollie



Monday

- Breakfast
- Cereal, Toast & Jelly
- Juice, Milk



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GARAGE SALE: 1 mile west of Woodland, FM195. Friday & Saturday, November 8-9. King sized waterbed w/cylinders; exercise bike; saddle; sofa; carpet; microwave; satellite dish w/descrambler, receiver & selector; fifth wheel hitch; clothes; dishes and toys. 11-7

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Belated October 7 birthday wishes to Boots Cooper. Nelda Belzung hosted an Italian dinner at the Faulkenburg house in Johtown. Those attending were Nelda and Bob Belzung from Mesquite, Faye Faulkenburg and Linda Farris of Bogata, William France, Jewel McLaughlin, B.J. and Robbie McLaughlin of Johtown. It was the big 7-0.

Robbie McLaughlin was in Paris and Dallas hospitals 10 days following her car accident. She was back in last week.

Happy October 20 birthday to Linda Farris and Nelda Belzung. Happy Birthday to B.J. McLaughlin on October 26. Robbie keeps hoping he will catch up with her.

B.J. and Robbie McLaughlin had friends from Portland, Texas visited Wednesday until Thursday at noon. They caught up on visiting and playing cards.

Nelda and Bob Belzung visited family and friends over the weekend.

Cookie Foster of Bridges Chapel visited Tuesday with Mrs. Dorothy Foster.

Mrs. Jimmie Duffie of Bogata was a Sunday dinner guest of Dorothy Foster.

Enjoying supper Wednesday with Robbie Hawkins were Jana, Mark, Haley and Heather and Doug Hawkins and Holly Jean.

Wednesday night after Church everyone enjoyed fellowship together and cheesecake in the home of Mark and Jana Hawkins. Those attending were Brother Calvin and Myra Permenter, Drue and Billie Pirtle, Brother Bobby and Chessie Clark, Ryan, Darla and Allix Brunson, Holly Jean, Robbie Hawkins, Doug Hawkins, Haley and Heather Hawkins.

Haley and Heather Hawkins enjoyed spending the afternoon Wednesday with Denise Wood. Denise treated them to ice cream at the 909 Diner. Heather and Haley had a great time.

Douglas Hawkins treated Robbie Hawkins, Mark, Jana, Haley and Heather Hawkins to a wonderful Dinner at Shogun's Japanese Steak House Friday night in Tyler.

Dana Neeley honored her husband, Harold Neeley, with a birthday celebration Saturday afternoon in their home. Dana served chili dogs with all the trimmings. Attending the celebration were Doug Hawkins, Mark, Jana, Haley and Heather Hawkins, Larry Wayne Neeley, Donald, Freda, Sarah and Mitchell Jean and Deborah Janes.

A hamburger supper was held at the home of Mark and Jana Hawkins Sunday night. Those enjoying the fellowship were Holly Jean, Ryan, Darla and Allix Brunson, Drue and Billie Pirtle, Lana Pirtle and Chad Martin, Brother Bobby and Chessie Clark, Linda and Joy Clark, Haley and Heather Hawkins, Kelley and Kristin Harville.

This week's visitors of Victor Lynn and Patsy and Dustin Cox were Tracy, Kalli and Anthony Frye of Prairie Grove, Arkansas. Tracy Edward Frye arrived on Saturday to visit and pick his family up to return to Prairie Grove.

This week's visitors of Tommy Lee, Joyce and Glenda Cox were Tracy, Kalli and Anthony Frye, Andy Cox of Paris, Ladona Couch of Paris.

Tommy Lee and Joyce Cox visited with Eugene and Pat Cox of Bogata one day this week.

Toni Combest of Pittsburg visited her mother, Lucille Childers on Sunday afternoon.

James and Pauline Gibbs, Jana, Heather and Haley Hawkins visited with Randy, Barbara, Shannon and Sonny Gibbs on Thursday night.

Supper guests of Drue and Billie Pirtle Wednesday night were Brother Calvin and Myra Permenter of Mount Pleasant.

Robbie Hawkins and Billie Pirtle enjoyed a day of shopping Saturday in Marshall and Longview.

For week of Nov. 7

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Ward of Huntsville visited her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Hawkins over the week end. The weather was beautiful and they celebrated an early birthday for Kristy. They enjoyed the falling leaves and picking up pecans.

Sunday lunch guests of Mark and Jana Hawkins were Doug Hawkins and Jessica Fenner.

The Friendship Circle Ladies Auxiliary hosted a Halloween Party for the kids at Johtown Missionary Baptist Church on Thursday night. Sandwiches, chip and dip were served. Fun and fellowship and games were played. Approximately 50 children and adults attended.

Tommy Lee and Joyce Cox visited with Glenda Cox and Helen Copeland Thursday.

Victor Lynn Cox visited Sunday with Tommy Lee and Joyce and Glenda Cox.

Holly Jean spent the night with Heather and Haley Hawkins Monday night.

Robbie Hawkins and Billie Pirtle flew out Friday to Florida to visit and vacation with Robbie's sister, Mary Bellofatto and her husband Paul Bellofatto. They will be returning home on Saturday.

Sunday visitors of Lucille Childers were Jan McCuller, Toni Combest, Ashley and Kerry Hendricks. They all attended church and enjoyed lunch together.

A birthday lunch for Randy Gibbs was given in his home Saturday. Those wishing Randy Happy Birthday were James and Pauline Gibbs, Shane, Shannon and Sonny Gibbs, Brian Haley, Michelle Giles, Barbara Gibbs, Jana, Haley and Heather Hawkins and Kacy Harper.



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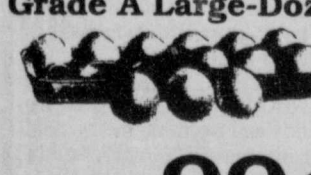
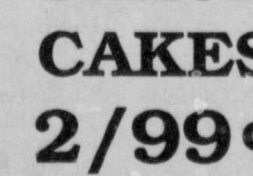
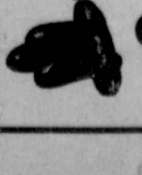
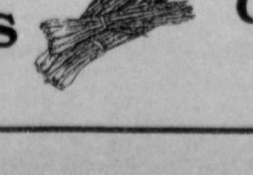
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