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By Nanalee Nichols
Can't They See
The Difference?

I don't generally go in for "male bashing". I find it a rather stupid habit. But, there are a few things men do that I just cannot understand.

Take the matter of towels and kitchen towels.

I was talking with my friend the other day, and she was shaking her head over her husband's laundry putting up abilities. They have two bathrooms, one is totally done in cobalt blue and white, the other in bright yellow. But, when he put the towels up, guess what? There was an equal mix of yellow and blue towels in each bath.

"Wouldn't you think he would figure out that the blue towels go in the blue bath and the yellow in the yellow?" she asked.

"No, I replied", and what's more, I'll guarantee if you say anything you'll be told that he was only trying to help, you should be glad he's willing to help, many men don't help, etc.

"Yep" she grinned. Now, I know it's nice of them to help. But since in both households both partners are working why does this exempt a man from helping...or give him and excuse for not doing it right?

My own husband, who has to be one of the finest men to walk the face of the earth, will still regularly put bathroom hand

towels in the kitchen towel drawer and kitchen towels in the bathroom cabinet.

When I try and point out the difference in colors and mention that there isn't a single bathroom towel with geese, raccoons, kittens or hearts on it, or that the bathroom towels are all in such and such colors he looks at me, grins and says "It's just too complicated".

Now, they aren't trying to get out of work, they aren't deliberately messing up. So why can't they tell the difference?

Obviously, because they just don't care. They just can't see why it is important.

But, in the spirit of "Men are from Mars, Women are from Venus", WHY don't they care?

Just one of those vast chasms between males and females, and it doesn't amount to a "hill of beans" but it is puzzling.

By the way, who knows how to put up towels correctly in YOUR household?

But, know what? I imagine that when our husband's get together they wonder why we CARE what towels go where. It probably seems rather unimportant to them!

Poinsettias sale to begin Nov. 15

The Rivercrest Horticulture classes will begin sales on poinsettias Nov. 15, 1998.

The plants will cost \$5.00 each and will come in various colors. Delivery will be made by the first week in December, no later than the second week in December. To place an order see any horticulture student or call Kenny Swinford at the school at 632-5204. All proceeds go to the horticulture classes. The top 5 salespersons will be treated to a dinner of choice at a local restaurant by Mr. Swinford. Everyone is encouraged to support your local students while decorating homes and businesses for the holiday season.

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Bogata council considers various items of business

Bogata City Council met Monday night, Nov. 9 and heard a report from Dennis Miller of Emergency One Corp. concerning a fire truck for the Fire Department. Bids are being taken and will be opened at a meeting at 5:00 p.m. on Nov. 20.

Five citizens complimented the Mayor and the Council for what has been accomplished so far. W.T. Harbison read a letter from one of the employees concerning an incident which resulted in an employee being suspended for three days.

Wendell Davis, Public Works Superintendent, reported that Hale Electric has ordered the material to replace the wiring at the tank lot for the well control and Layne-Texas will be repairing the pump and the Number 6 water well soon. The employees have been busy repairing leaks, and working approximately 55 work orders which included installation of two culverts, raising 9 meters, installing one cleanout, etc.

Wyatt Bush, Animal Control Officer, reported twelve dogs picked up, one raccoon and rounding up some mules inside City limits.

Council voted to approve a pay raise for Melba, part-time assistant secretary and voted not to approve pay raises for The Contract Police Officers, since they had not been working for six months.

Council heard from Jack Dodd, Park Board Chairman, who told Council of their plans to build a basketball court and volleyball court.

The Lions Club has already agreed to pay half of the cost of this project and the city voted to pay half also.

Council considered raising cost to rent Community Center and trailer pads, but voted to leave as is at this time. Feetorent the Community Center is \$40 with a \$50 deposit which will be returned if the center is left clean and the trailer spaces rent for \$12 per night.

Council voted to pay for a preventive type of rabies shots for all employees who help pick up animals, if they elect to have the shots at cost of approximately \$180 employee.

New street signs and posts for all streets was discussed but was tabled for now. Approximately cost was \$7000.

Council discussed repaving S. Howison and South Bryson at a total cost of \$40,600, but decided to table.

Council went into Executive Session at 8:32 p.m. and reconvened into regular session at 9:50 p.m. In regular session, council voted to limit the mayor's expenditures to \$500 without their approval. They also voted that the mayor can give an employee a written reprimand, but anything other than that must be brought to the council's attention. Council voted to hire Nelda Talley to be Clerk/Assistant Secretary beginning Tuesday, November 10, 1998.

Minutes were approved as were bills and final water bill accounts.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Bogata Methodist annual bazaar coming November 14

Saturday, November 14, is the date for the annual Bazaar held by the local Methodist Church. The doors open at 9:00 a.m. and close at 3:00 p.m. The meal of Hearty Vegetable/Beef Stew, with trimmings will be served from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

The silent auction items include two quilts pieced by Anna Belle Patton. Also, a tree skirt pieced and quilted by Anna Belle Patton. The quilting on the other items was done by ladies from the quilting group. The donation quilt was made from a kit donated by the daughter of Betty and Jeff Puckett. Edith Swaim did all of the cross stitching, and the ladies quilted it. The donations are still being

taken. This quilt is in pale blue and beige. See any of the women's group for a ticket. The silent auction ends at 2:00 p.m. and the ticket for the lovely quilt will be drawn at that time.

Many Christmas items, for the home and as gifts, are available. The handwork department has items to interest all ages, especially children's toys, stuffed animals, balls and quilts. The baked goods will be available and you can stock up for the holidays. The kitchen area will have aprons, place mats, knives and cook books.

The money earned from this Bazaar stays in the community, and is used for church support, as well as support of community activities.



FLAGS-Bogata VFW Post 8187 members and auxiliary members put out American flags at the Bogata Cemetery in honor of Veteran's Day. Pictured are: Margie and Bill Farris, Rabbit Wisinger and Pat and Raymond Butler. Also pictured is Ben Cato who helped with putting out the flags. Also helping with the flags and taking the picture was auxiliary member, Zelma Mauldin.

Basketball court to be built in Thomas Park

By Jack Dodd
The Bogata City Council and the Bogata Lions Club have voted to install a 30'X70' basketball court in the Thomas Park area. There will be two (2) basketball courts for practice and half court games. Each group will pay \$2500. toward the \$5000. estimated cost.

There is interest in a volleyball court to be built next to the basketball court. This is estimated to cost approximately \$1000.00. There is no funding for this project. We hope you parents and grandparents and supporters of the youth of the city will donate to this cause. Also, we need

funding for lighting of the basketball and volleyball courts.

For a donation of \$100.00 or more your name and the name of a memorial will be put on the basketball court and/or volleyball court. The Park Board encourages all interested citizens to support your community and make a donation or memorial this month.

This is an addition to the park that we feel will be used extensively. Donations can be mailed to the Bogata Lions Club, Box 697, Bogata, Texas 75417, given to Anita or Melba at City Hall or mailed to Jack Dodd, Rt. 1 Box 102 B, Bogata, Texas 75417.

People 'n Things

Saturday, November 14

The ladies of the Bogata United Methodist Church will hold their annual Bazaar.

Tuesday, November 17

Church services will be held at the Thedford Homes recreation room with Brother Donnie Sherrill of Bogata First Assembly of God Church bringing the message.

Saturday November 21

Bogata Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad will hold a hamburger supper-cake/pie auction from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. at the Bogata School Cafeteria to raise money for the Fire Department and Rescue Squad. Home deliveries will be made from 4:00-5:30 p.m. Call 632-5234 for home deliveries. All donations will be appreciated.

Sunday, November 22

Annual Community Thanksgiving service at First Baptist Church-Bogata at 6:00 p.m. An evening of congregational singing, special music, preaching, fun and fellowship. The Community Church Charity Fund offering will be received. Everyone is invited to join in this special service.

Third Tuesday of each month

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

Notice

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

Santa Letters Due!

Area schools are urged to get Santa letters ready for the papers by December 8. Children wanting their letters to be published need to have them ready by then.

The Talco School students will be collecting aluminum cans as a special student fund raiser. Special containers have been set up at the school for the cans and each student is encouraged to dispose of drink cans and help earn extra funds at the same time.

The Rivercrest class of 1988's reunion planned for Nov. 28, 1998 has been canceled due to lack of response.

Beginning Nov. 2 Talco School library will be selling \$1.00 chances on a "1998 Holiday Teddy" Ty Beanie Babie. All proceeds will go to the Accelerated Reading Program at the school. To purchase a chance contact Teri Cabell at the Talco School 379-3841.

The Talco-Bogata Junior High Lady Rebels basketball teams will host DeKalb at Rivercrest gym on Thursday, Nov. 12 beginning at 5:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to come out and start the basketball season off right supporting all the Lady Rebel and Rebel teams.

The Rivercrest Rebel A boys will travel to Hugo, Oklahoma on Thursday, Nov. 12 for basketball scrimmage play. Everyone is encouraged to go and support the Rebels as they begin their season.

On Saturday, Nov. 14 the Rebel A boys will travel to North Lamar for a basketball scrimmage game to begin at 2:30 p.m. Go Rebels!!!

On Saturday Nov. 14 the Lady Rebel A & B girls will host Hughes Springs in a basketball scrimmage beginning at 10:00 a.m. Go Lady Rebels.

Nov. 16 the Junior High Lady Rebels will host the Honey Grove Lady Warriors at Rivercrest beginning at 5:30 p.m. Come out and support the girls as they begin their basketball season.

On Tuesday, Nov. 17 the Lady Rebel A & B girls will host Pittsburg beginning at 6:00 p.m. The Rebels will travel to DeKalb for 3 games beginning at 4:30 p.m. Everyone is encouraged to come out and support the teams.

Nov. 19 the Talco-Bogata Junior High Rebels will travel to Honey Grove for their first basketball game of the season. Play will begin at 5:30 p.m. Everyone is encouraged to come out and support the teams.

Paper sale begins early this year, renew now!

We're starting early! The Blossom Times, Bogata News, Deport Times and Talco Times are now on SALE! This is the first time that the sale has begun in the middle of November instead of the first of December, but more time is needed to handle the volume of new and renewed subscriptions.

From the middle of November through the end of December, subscriptions are now \$2 off the regular price. That means that within Lamar, Titus or Red River Counties the paper is \$16 for a whole year, and \$19 anywhere else. That's two dollars off of the regular price and a real bargain when you consider the news, photos, cooking columns, sports and com-

munity news you receive. It's a \$10 per year savings over buying it at the news rack.

Publisher Nanalee Nichols says "We have so many renewals and new subscriptions during December that we have chosen to begin the sale a little earlier this year. This gives our customers two weeks more to get their subscriptions taken care of, and gives us more time to see that they are put into the computer in a timely manner.

Please use the coupon on the full page ad in this week's paper to assure the best service possible.

No notices will be sent out at the first of December to those who renew in December, due to the volume.

Drug Detection/Obedience presentation planned

Paris Police Officer Dale Wood and Billy, the Belgian Malinois Protection and Drug Detection Dog will present a program to the Bogata Book Club and any interested people on Thursday, 12 at 7:00 p.m. at the Rosalie Community Center. Everyone is invited to attend.

Billy is an unneutered male, 4 and

one half years old. Officer Wood has had him for 3 years and has done part of the dog's training.

At one time, On Hwy. 82, Billy discovered 100 pounds of drugs, and 60 pounds were discovered at another time.

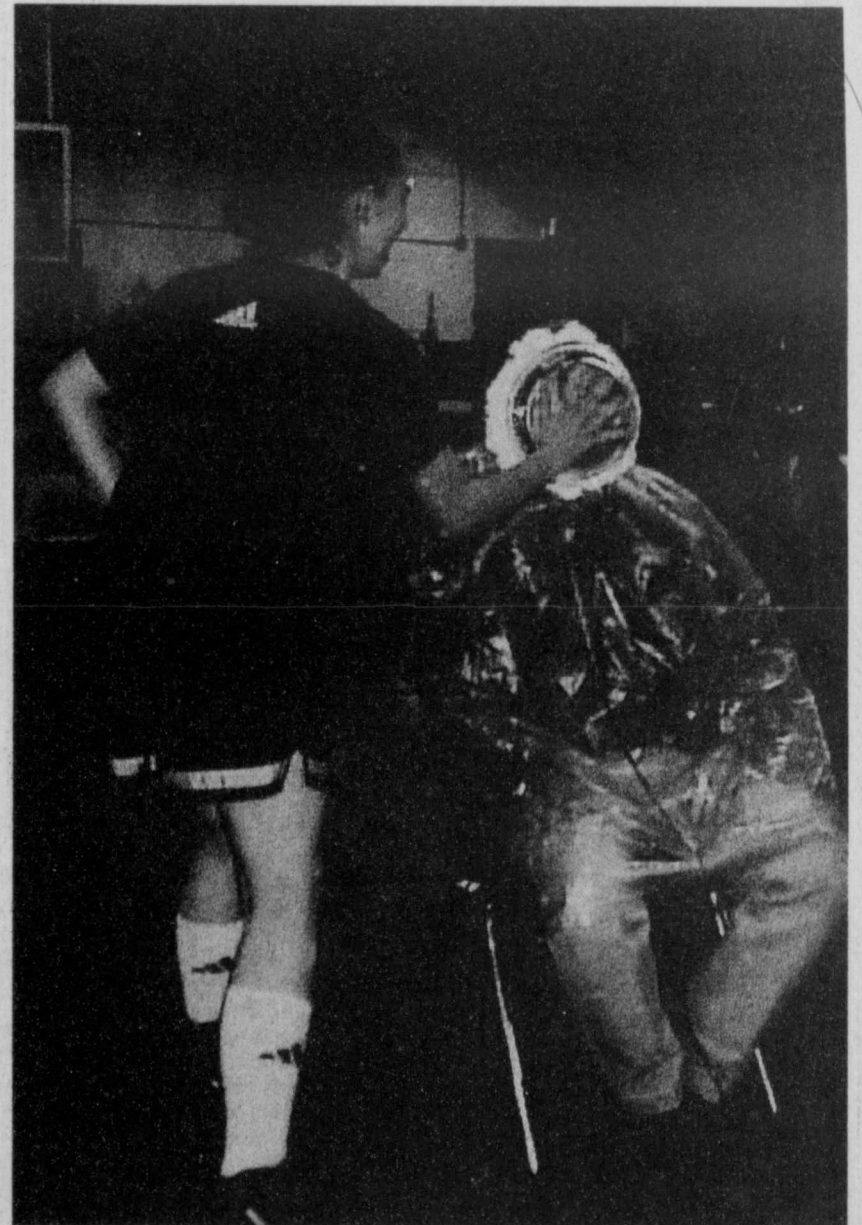
Officer Wood and Billy will present a drug detection and basic obedience program.

Community Thanksgiving Service planned

The annual Community Thanksgiving Service is scheduled for November 22, at 6:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church Bogata. All area pastors and churches are invited to participate in the worship service. This will be an evening of congregational singing, special music, preaching, fun and fellowship. The Community

Church Charity Fund offering will also be received during the service.

This gathering of the community to thank God for His blessings on our churches and our city has been a tradition for a number of years. Come and let us join together and praise God for His goodness.



PIE IN THE FACE-Bogata School Principal got creamed by eighth grade student, Nikki Jones as a part of the reward for 8A winning the Spirit Chain contest sponsored by the Student Council. The class bought the most links in the Spirit Chain and earned a total of \$128.80. The class will also be rewarded with a pizza party. 7A earned a coke party by earning \$118.40.

Nov. 19-21 the Lady Rebels A team will begin competition at the Dodd City basketball tournament. Game times are to be announced.

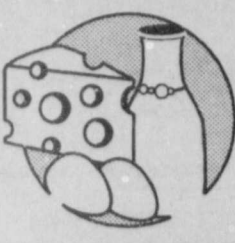
Nov. 19-21 the Rebels Sub. Varsity will begin competition at the Clarksville basketball tournament. Game times are to be announced.

On Nov. 21 the Rebels A boys will host Commerce beginning at 5:00 p.m. Come out and support the team.

Dodd's musical will be November 20 at 6:30. All pickers and singers are welcome to come to the old grocery store on Hwy. 271 in Johntown.

Bogata VFD & Rescue to have fund raiser

The Bogata Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad will have a Hamburger Supper from 5:00 until 7:00 p.m. Saturday, November 21 at the Bogata Elementary School Cafeteria. There will also be a cake-pie auction. Home deliveries are available between 4:00 and 5:30 p.m. Please call 632-5234. Donations will be appreciated for this worthy cause.



Country Cooking

By Liz Irwin

http://www.1starnet.com/tpp



This week's cooks column is dedicated to all those brave souls that trekked through the woods on opening day of deer season on Saturday, November 7! As the alarm clocks bid these brave hunters from their early morning slumber (what else would get them out of bed at 4:00 a.m. unless it was an early morning football game... and I don't think even the Cowboys would get up that early!!!) coffee pots perked, pickups revved up and all good wives just turned over and put the pillow over their ears!

That's right... a young man's right to passage has got to be his first deer hunt of the season. They work for weeks in preparation for this first Saturday of November. Just the right color and configuration of camouflage, just the right gun, all spit-polished and ready to go, just the right boots for that crisp, cool fall morning, better add that rain jacket, just in case and head out for that perfect stand in the trees where you have been feeding those deer and keeping a close eye on the tracks and signs for just that big buck... you know today has got to be the day!

Well, when he is in your sights and your mouth starts to water for that first taste of fresh venison steak, here are some added recipes that you might like to try. All kidding aside, venison prepared just right is a delight to the taste buds and can be prepared in

many ways. These recipes show you just a few and we hope you got that big buck that you've been waiting for. By the way, take youngster with you next time and teach them the basic facts of hunting and share your skills and wisdom on hunter safety with them. See you in the kitchen!

Venison Roast with Cider Sauce takes a little time to prepare and be sure to remove all extra membrane from the roast before cooking and keep basting to insure meat from getting too dry.

Mexican Breakfast Venison Sausage-now this has got to be good! Anything this many spices is mixed together along with hot pepper for added taste, it can't be beat!

Mexican Breakfast Venison Tacitos are the perfect compliment for breakfast or any time for that matter. Serve with cheese, picante sauce and jalapeno peppers! Yummy!

Venison Chili is a must on a chilly afternoon in front of the TV watching your favorite football game. Can be on the mild side or a little hotter, depending on your taste or bravery!

Venison Jerky takes a little time in the oven but pays off in the long run-this will be a favorite with everyone!

Venison Swiss Steak-this recipe takes the favorite beef steak and uses venison in it's place. Wonderful flavor and taste!

November 12, 1998
Venison Recipes

Venison Roast with Cider Sauce

- 1-8 pound venison roast
- 16 whole cloves
- 1 cup apple cider
- 1 cup apple cider vinegar
- 3/4 cup molasses
- 1/4 cup water
- 1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
- 2 bay leaves
- 2 teaspoons salt-divided
- 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 1 to 1-1/2 cups water

Remove any membrane surrounding roast. Place in large roasting pan; stud with cloves. Combine apple cider and next four ingredients; pour mixture over roast in pan. Add bay leaves to pan and sprinkle roast with 1 teaspoon salt. Bake at 350 degrees for about 2 hours or until meat thermometer registers 160 degrees. Baste with pan drippings occasionally. Remove roast to a serving platter, reserving drippings. Let roast stand for 10 minutes before slicing. Combine remaining salt, flour and 1 cup water. Cover tightly and shake vigorously. Bring pan drippings to a boil. Add flour mixture, stirring constantly. Cook, stirring constantly, until mixture is thickened. Add remaining 1/2 cup water for thinner consistency if desired. Remove and discard bay leaves. Serve with sliced roast. Yield 8-10 servings.

Mexican Breakfast Venison Sausage

- 1-1/2 pound venison-red meat only
- 3/4 pound pork fat or bacon
- 2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar
- 2 garlic cloves-minced
- 3 tablespoons paprika
- 1-1/2 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1 teaspoon chili powder
- 3/4 teaspoon ground cumin
- 1/2 teaspoon brown sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon crushed red pepper
- 1/2 teaspoon ground coriander
- 1/4 teaspoon ground red pepper
- 1/8 teaspoon ground white pepper
- 1/8 teaspoon ground cloves

Process venison and pork in food processor or meat grinder until finely ground; place in large bowl. Add vinegar and remaining ingredients, mixing by hand until blended. Shape into 2-inch patties and place on a rack in a shallow pan. Bake at 350 degrees for 20 minutes or until done. Yield 6-8 servings.

Mexican Breakfast Venison Tacitos

- 10-8 inch flour tortillas
- 1 pound Mexican Breakfast sausage
- 8 large eggs-lightly beaten
- 1/4 teaspoon hot sauce
- 1 cup shredded cheddar cheese
- 4 jalapeno peppers

Wrap tortillas in foil and bake at 250 degrees for 15 minutes or until thoroughly heated. Brown sausage in heavy skillet, stirring until crumbly. Add eggs and cook over medium heat, stirring occasionally until set. Spoon 1/3 cup sausage mixture down center of each tortilla and roll up. Serve with hot sauce or picante sauce, cheese and peppers. Yields 4-5 servings.

Venison Chili

- 3 pounds coarsely ground venison
- 1 medium onion-chopped fine
- 3 cloves garlic-crushed
- 3 tablespoons shortening
- 3 tablespoons chili powder
- 1-1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon ground cumin
- 1-10 ounce can tomatoes and green chilis
- 1-10 ounce can tomato juice
- 1-20 ounce can water
- 2 tablespoons Masa Harina
- 1 cup water

Place meat, onion and garlic in large pan. Add shortening. Brown meat, stirring until onion is soft and meat loses its redness; drain. Add chili powder, salt, cumin and tomatoes and green chilis to meat; simmer 3-4 minutes. Add tomato juice and water. Heat to boiling; then simmer for 1 hour. Combine masa harina and 1 cup water in bowl. Mix well. Add small amount of chili to masa mixture then mix. Pour mixture into chili and stir well. Cook until chili begins to thicken. Add water as needed during cooking. Stir frequently.

Venison Jerky

- 3 pounds venison
 - 3/4 tablespoons salt
 - 1 teaspoon onion powder
 - 1 teaspoon garlic powder
 - 1 teaspoon Accent
 - 1/2 teaspoon pepper
 - 1/3 cup Worcestershire sauce
 - 1/4 cup soy sauce
 - 1 teaspoon Liquid Smoke
- Semi-freeze and slice meat 1/4 inch thick. Mix remaining ingredients and marinate meat overnight. Drain and pat dry. Prepare racks in oven at approximately 200 degrees for approximately 12 hours. Can use dehydrator.

Venison Swiss Steak

- 1-2 pound venison steak
- 1/4 cup flour
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 dash black pepper
- 1 dash cayenne pepper
- 1 dash cloves
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 3 onions-chopped
- 1-1/2 cups Burgundy wine
- 1/2 clove garlic-chopped
- 1-1/2 tablespoons Worcestershire sauce
- 1 small can mushrooms-drained

Put steak on block and pound on both sides. Mix all dry ingredients and pound into steak a small amount at a time. Melt butter in large skillet or Dutch Oven. When moderately hot, brown steak on both sides. Add onions and brown them. Add all other ingredients, except mushrooms. Cover until mixture comes to a boil. Then put in a 350 degree oven and bake for two to two and one half hours or until steak is very tender. Add mushrooms and bake 5 minute longer.

Jack Ewing Garret dies at age 80

Mr. Jack Ewing Garrett, age 80 of Paris died Tuesday Nov. 10 in Deport Nursing Home.

Graveside funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 12 at Bogata Cemetery with Rev. Bob Bush officiating. Wood Funeral Home has charge of arrangements. The family will receive friends 10-11 a.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

Mr. Garrett was born June 27, 1918 in Waxahachie, Texas the son of Ross and Florene Sims Garrett. He married the former Jamie Howard Bain, April 4, 1942 in Lubbock. She died August 28, 1998. He was retired feed and grain dealer and owned and operated Lubbock Feed, Seed and Grain for many years.

He is survived by his daughters, Gayle Reeder of Paris and Jackie Givens and her husband, Ronnie of Lake Buchanan, Texas, five grandchildren: Robyn House and her husband, Dr. Keith House of Paris; Kim Foss and her husband Gerry of Lubbock, Rusty Reeder of Paris and Kristi Wolfington and her husband David and Carla Givens all of Lake Buchanan, four great grandchildren, Rayn and Lane House of Paris, Ragan Foss of Lubbock and Riley Reeder of Dallas and a sister, Emma Ross Paxon and her husband Jim of Lubbock.

Bertha Ellen Boren dies at age 88


Bertha Ellen Boren, 88, of Blossom, died Tuesday, Nov. 10 1998 at Paris Nursing Home.

Services were set for Thursday, Nov. 12 at Bright-Holland Funeral Home with burial in Knights of Honor Cemetery.

Mrs. Boren was born Sept. 5, 1910 in Marietta, Ok., a daughter of Harvey and Hattie Colston Bell. She married Charles Boren, Nov. 6, 1928 in Paris. Ms. Boren was a member of the East Post Oak Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband; a son and daughter-in-law, Carl and Robbie Boren of Blossom; a daughter, LaVerta Westbrook of Deport; a sister, Ara Wheeler of Yukon, Ok.; a brother, Oscar Bell of Houston; seven grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren and a great-great-grandchildren.

Red River County Roots



This week's query is Bob Law, 116 Harding Place #B-5 Nashville, TN 37205. Some years ago he learned of a Dinwiddle family Bible and photograph album in an antique shop in Honey Grove. He learned later that the items were sold, but is hoping that they were purchased by someone in Red River County, as the newspaper clippings were said to have been in the old Bible and Mr. Law is very interested in contacting the person who currently has the items as he would like very much to obtain copies of these items. Please contact Mr. Law.

If you would like to write Mr. Law, please write him at the above address.

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



Bogata
V. F. W.
Post 8187

Meeting time is 2nd and 4th Monday night at 7:00 p.m.
Post is open Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 3:00 p.m. until 12:00 midnight, and Saturday from 12:00 noon until 1:00 a.m.
Thursday at 7:00 p.m. is 42 playing time and Pool and shuffleboard are open all the time.
* Get well wishes to Burl Moore and Mildred Eudy.

Tanya Celeste Burnett dies November 6

Tanya Celeste Burnett, age 6, of Clarksville died Friday, November 6 as the result of an automobile accident.

Services were held Tuesday, November 10 at 2:00 p.m. in Forrest Chapel Baptist Church in Garvin, OK with the Rev. A.B. Kellam officiating. Burial was in Forrest Hill Cemetery in Garvin.

She was born July 10, 1992 in Paris, the daughter of Ronnie and Stacy Cox Burnett. She was a member of the Baptist Church.

Surviving are her parents; grandparents, Royce and Judy Harvey of Seagraves, Paul Cox of Broken Bow, OK, Owen Burnett of Negley and Peggy Monkhouse of Clarksville; sisters, Kacy Burnett of Clarksville; a half-sister, Malisa Burnett of Valliant, OK; and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

Robert O. Fisher dies November 4

Robert O. Fisher was born November 26, 1918 in Fulbright. He passed away November 4, 1998. He worked for Dallas Transit as a cashier and retired after 35 years.

Mr. Fisher was preceded in death by his first wife, Maryhelon Fisher. He is survived by his wife; Verna Fisher, daughter; Kay Jesse and her husband, James, a son; Keith Fisher and his wife, Dona Bell, two granddaughters; Stephanie Mejia and Teresa Hayes, stepson; Jimmy Arie and wife, Linda of Bonham, two step-grandchildren; Jeff Arie and Lori Watkins, and two great grandchildren; Colton Hayes and Travis Mejia. He was a member of the Keystone Masonic Lodge, as well as the Scottish Rite and the Hella Temple.

Funeral services were at 12:00 noon Saturday, November 7 at Sparkman-Crane Chapel with Reverend Jeff Bankhead officiating. Interment was in Restland Memorial Park.

If desired memorials may be made to the Scottish Rite Hospital for Crippled Children, 2222 Welborn St. Dallas, Texas 75219.

Card Of Thanks

We are deeply grateful to those of you who, in any way, made the passing of our loved one easier.

We want to thank especially Sam Campbell, Jim Benfer, Ida Lou Read, Martha Glover, the Wood Funeral Home, the Deport Nursing Home, those who sent flowers, provided food, sent cards, called and expressed sympathy in any way.

Your thoughtfulness will always be remembered.

The Family of Floy Sparks

Card Of Thanks

Thank you to Leslie Copeland and Matt Morton for letting us visit their pumpkin patch.

We really appreciate it!

The Deport First Grade

Obituaries



Floy Sparks

Floy Sparks dies November 4

Floy Sparks, age 85 of Deport, died Wednesday, November 4 in Deport Nursing Home. Services were held Friday, November 6 at 2:00 p.m. in Deport United Methodist Church with the Rev. Sam Campbell and the Rev. Jim Benfer officiating. Burial was made in Highland Cemetery. Wood Funeral Home had charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Sparks was born December 26, 1912 in Alabama, the daughter of Timmy Joe and Juanita Click Barnard. On August 1, 1936 she married Elmer Sparks in Paris. He preceded her in death on April 26, 1995. She was a member of the United Methodist Church of Deport.

Surviving are two daughters and sons-in-law, Peggy and Keith Parsons of Pattonville and Judy and Bob Ellington of Huntsville; a sister Ruby Shreve of Las Vegas; nine grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; a daughter, Frieda Winters; three sisters, Nannie B. Vanderbeck, Wilma Bolton and Gertha Player; and four brothers, T.J., Gordon, Robert and Garland Barnard.

Bearers were Greg Parsons, Doug Winters, Mark Parsons, Kip Winters, Wes Winters, Randy Ellington, Rusty Ellington and Ronnie Ellington. Honorary bearer was her granddaughter, Kristi Boren.

Dorotha C. Guest dies November 5

Dorotha C. Guest, 83, died Thursday, November 5 in a DeSoto Hospital.

She was a graduate of Deport High School and had lived in Lubbock since 1949 prior to moving to Duncanville. She was a Certified Dental assistant and a lifetime member of South Plains Dental Assistants Association. She had been a member of Calvary Baptist Church while in Lubbock and then became a member of Northside Baptist Church of Duncanville.

Surviving are a son, John L. Guest of Columbus, Ohio; a daughter F. DaNaune Bloodworth of Clifton; a sister, Jennie Watt of Texarkana, AR; a brother, James F. Hayes of Winstboro; seven grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.

Charlotte Mills dies November 2

Charlotte Ruth Mills, age 47 of Paris, died Monday, November 2 in St. Joseph's Hospital in Paris.

Services were held Thursday at East Post Oak Missionary Baptist Church with Bro. E.R. Reynolds officiating, assisted by Bro. J.T. McNabb.

Ms. Mills was a member of the Special Needs Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church in Paris and was a member of the East Post Oak Missionary Baptist Church for 26 years.

She is survived by uncles and aunts, Newman and Betty Low, Wilbourne and Geneva Lee of Post Oak and Sue Low of DeSoto; cousins, Terri Williams, Johnnie Lee, Asa Low, Jr. of Dallas, Charles Low of Houston, Bruce Ramsey of Tyler and Patti Ross Risinger of Reno; and a special friend, Tammra Bean of Paris.

Bearers were Jerry Williams, Jerald Williams, Johnnie Lee, Bruce Ramsey, Don Vaughn and Alvis Bates. Honorary bearers were Asa Low, Jr., Charles Low and Dr. Jon Plummer.

Richard Harp dies November 7

Richard Harp, age 63 of Bagwell died Saturday, November 7 in Baylor Hospital, Dallas.

Services were held Wednesday, November 11 at 2:00 p.m. in Lindeman Chapel of Clarksville Funeral Home with Rev. A.B. Kellam officiating. Burial was in Blanton Creek Cemetery.

Mr. Harp was born April 11, 1935 to John and Mary Davis Harp. He had served on the 410 Water Board and Blanton Creek Cemetery Board and was a veteran of the U.S. Army. He was retired from the Red River Army Depot.

Surviving are his wife, Joyce Smith Harp of Bagwell; a son, Richard Scott Harp of Detroit; a daughter, Carla Harp of Bagwell; and brothers, Roger Harp of Conroe, Bud Harp of Dallas; and a host of friends.

Bearers were James Miller, Mike Murphy, Kenneth Hastings, John Earl Hawley, G.C. Black and Bill Barton.

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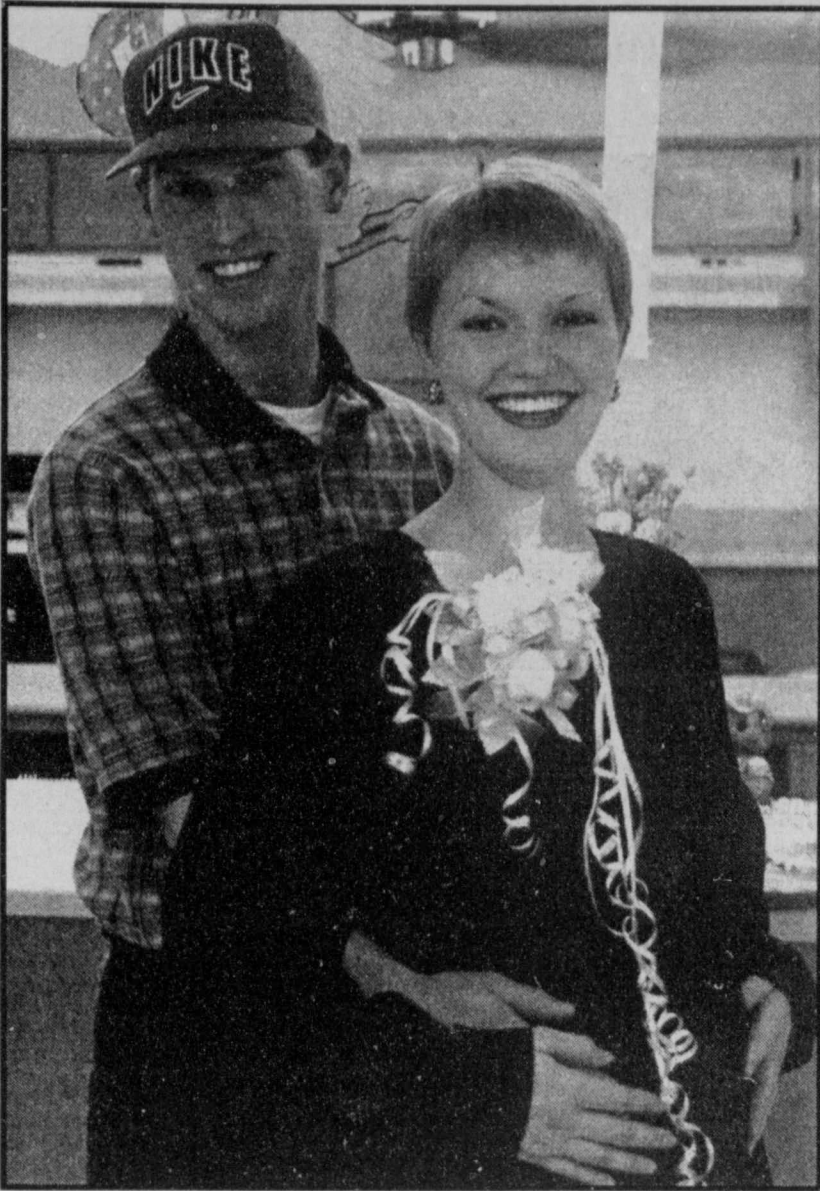
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Jamie and Todd Ward

Wards feted with baby shower

Jamie and Todd Ward celebrated the upcoming birth of their daughter, Jailee Renea, with a baby shower on Saturday, November 7 at the First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall in Bogata.

esses for the event, which carried out the teddy bear theme. Refreshments of cupcakes, frozen fruit salad, pink lemonade and coffee were served to the guests.

Special guests were the baby's grandmothers, Jeannie Primm and Barbara Ward, both of Bogata and great-grandmothers Juanita Primm and Maud Webb, both of Deport.

FWI to meet November 17

A special joint meeting of the East Texas North Group and East Texas South Group of Financial Women International will be held November 17 at the Oak Forest Country Club in Longview. Registration begins at 5:30

p.m. with dinner at 6:30 p.m. The speaker will be Eliza Gonzalez. Everyone is asked to RSVP the meeting no later than November 13 by calling 903-759-0751.

Ruth Vaughan to celebrate 90th birthday

Ruth Vaughan will be honored with a 90th birthday celebration on Saturday, November 14 from 1 until 3 p.m. at the Golden Acres Retirement Community Center in Paris.

relatives to attend and celebrate this joyous occasion with them. No gifts please, your presence is requested.

"Angel Tree" beginning in Clarksville

The Red River County Christmas Drive is asking for donations in order to provide Christmas gifts to underprivileged children, 12 and younger, throughout the county.

gifts for the children who are not picked from the tree. This is where your donation come sin, to ensure each eligible child receives a gift. Mail or deliver your donation to the Clarksville Fire Department, 300 N. Pecan, Clarksville, TX 75426.

Nothing happens to anybody, which he is not fitted by nature to bear. —Marcus Aurelius Antoninus

Ruth Vaughn will celebrate her 90th Birthday November 24 1998

There will be a celebration in her honor Saturday November 14 1998 from 1:00 pm until 3:00 pm at Golden Acres Retirement Community Center, 3414 Clarksville St., Paris TX. Family members would like to invite friends and relatives to come celebrate this joyous occasion with us. No gifts please, just your presence is requested. If you need additional information, please call 903-785-4497 Or 903-784-5229



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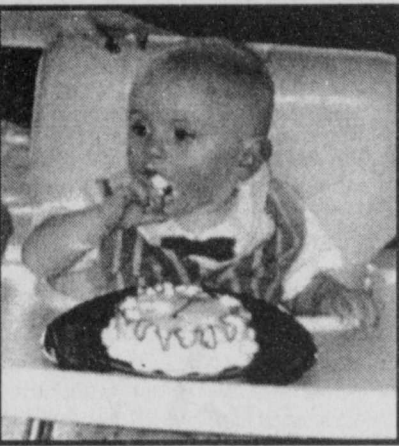
(Staff Photo)

Charlie and Bertha Boren observed their 70th wedding anniversary on Friday, November 6 at the the Paris Nursing Home. Charlie and Bertha (Bell) Boren were married on November 6, 1928 in Paris.

Boren's celebrate 70th anniversary

Charlie and Bertha Boren observed their 70th wedding anniversary on Friday, November 6 at the the Paris Nursing Home. Charlie and Bertha (Bell) Boren were married on November 6, 1928 in Paris. They have lived in the Red Oak Community for 69 years.

Family members attending were LaVerta Westbrook of Deport, Carl and Robbie Boren, Leslie, Jonathan and Jennifer Martin, Leasa, Jordan and Chase Hunold, Carla and Layton Graham allov Blossom. Brenda Morton of DeKalb and Shelia and Heather Kilpatrick of Redwater.



Larry Paul Ward

Larry Paul Ward celebrates birthday

Larry Paul Ward, son of Brandy and Steve Ward, grandchild of Mary Amos and Steve Lewis of Bogata, recently celebrated his birthday with a party at Thomas Park. Helping him celebrate were Aunt Christina Fanning of Avery and lots of relatives and friends.

Fulbright News By Betty Rodgers 652-6051

Lacy Vincil, daughter of Lisa and Mel Beaty competed in Cross Country Regionals in Arlington on Saturday.

Worth and Karen Baker visited Mrs. Eva Coleman of Clarksville on Saturday.

Devin Peek was in the hospital a few days last week. He is home and doing good.

Ed Johnson moved in the house he bought from Charles and Dolores McCrary.

Monte Rodgers visited his mother, Betty Rodgers, on Sunday.

Marla Crump, Betty Rodgers and Melissa Arriaga ate out together Friday night.

Loyd Cavender attended a family cook out at his son, Bill, home Saturday night. His daughter, Sue, and husband spent the weekend with him.

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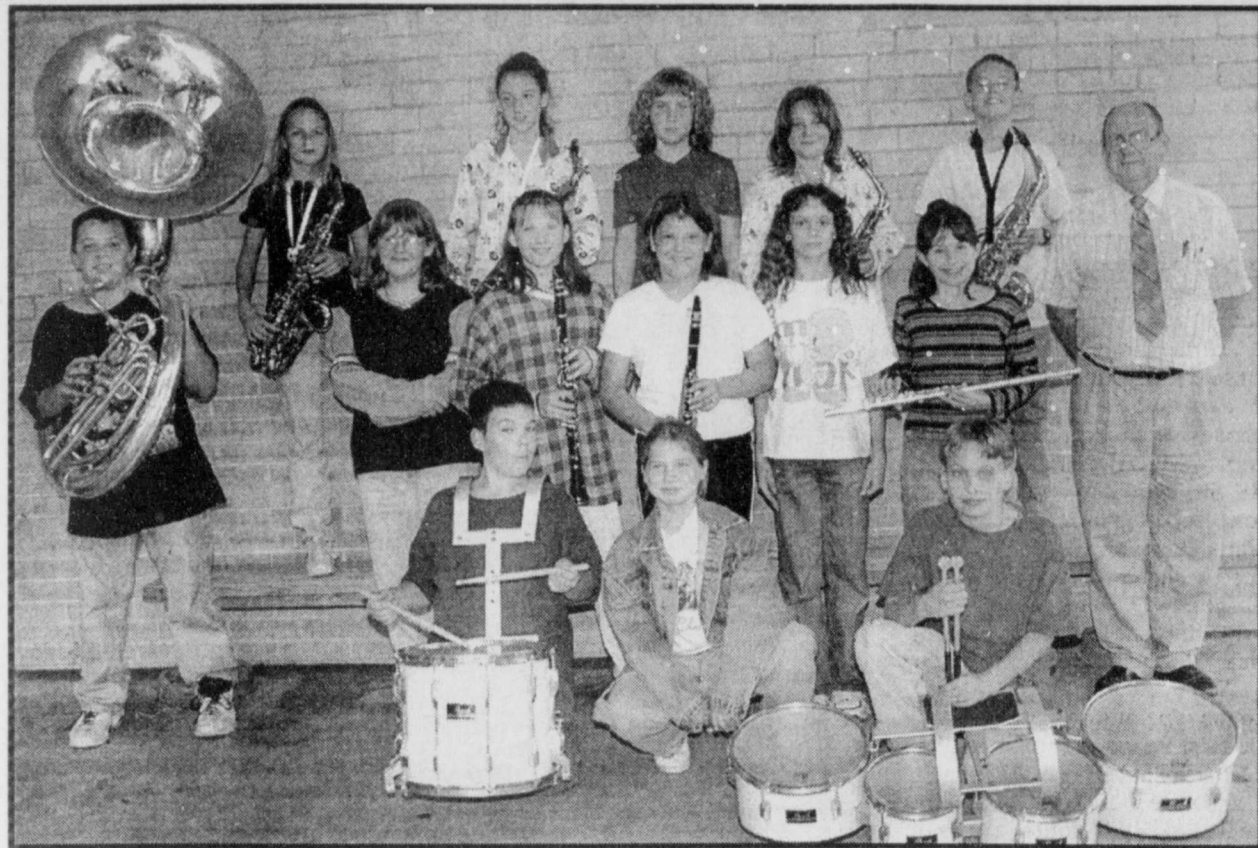
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RIVERCREST REBEL SIXTH GRADE BAND-members for the 1998-99 school year are; (back row from the left) R.C. Pitts, Kerri Simmons, Kacey Van Deaver, Haley Hawkins, Grace Smith, Kelsey Stringfellow and Band Director, Richard Davis; (middle row from the left) Holli Jean, Stacy Borders, Kacy Harper, Nikki O'Donnel and Kristi Cooksey; (front from the left) John Ed Graf, Lacie Hinton and Ryan Winniford. Members not pictured are Nichole Burruss, Keith Mauldin and Chad Davis. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

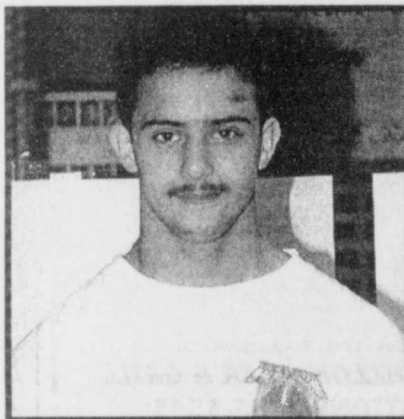
Sixth grade Rebel band perform

The Rivercrest Rebel sixth grade band students performed in their first concert this year on Tuesday evening, Nov. 10, 1998 at the Rivercrest High School cafeteria.

Selections on the program included; Mary's Little Lamb, Twinkle Twinkle Little Star, Marine's March and Jingle Bells. Members of the band and the instrument they play are; Flute-Kristi Cooksey, Clarinet-Kacy Harper, Stacy Borders and Nikki O'Donnell, Saxophone-Kelsey Stringfellow, Grace Smith, Kerri Simmons, Kacey VanDeaver and Sarah Hawkins, Trumpet-Lacie Hinton and Chad Davis, Trombone-Keith Maul-

din and John Ed Graf, Baritone-Nichole Burruss, Bass Horn-R.C. Pitts, Percussion-Chad Davis, Ryan Winniford, R.C. Pitts, John Ed Graf and Lacie Hinton.

Following the concert the students and guests were served punch and cookies by the Rivercrest Band Booster Club.



DR. PEPPER PLAY OF THE GAME-this week was made by Bryce Watkins who made a 35 yard touchdown for the Rebels. The team was defeated by the Chisum Mustangs ending their hopes for the play offs. Bryce is the son of James and Pamela Watkins of Bogata. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



1998 RIVERCREST BAND SWEETHEART AND BEAU-are Jessica Forsyth and Jason Dyess. Jessica is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Forsyth of Talco. She is a sophomore student at RHS and has been a member of the band since her 6th grade year. Jason is the son of Lisa Dyess of Talco. Jason is a senior student at RHS and has been a member of the band since his 6th grade year. Jessica was presented a rose bouquet and certificate. Jason received a plaque and certificate. Congratulations Jessica and Jason!! (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



THE REBELS-converged on this Chisum Mustang running back as the two teams met Friday at Rebel stadium. #2, Jason Freelen, #9 Coleman Brown, #6 Bryce Watkins, #32 Chase Collins and taking the runners feet out an unidentified Rebel worked hard to control the Mustangs but their battle was lost ending their play off hopes for this season. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



SLIDING CATCH-Rebel, Aaron Martin goes down to make the catch as the Rebels met the Chisum Mustangs in the final game of the season Friday night. The Rebels lost their play off hopes with the loss to Mustangs on a cold and wet field. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Rebels to open season at DeKalb

The Rivercrest Rebels will open up their 1998-99 basketball season at DeKalb on Tuesday night Nov. 17. The Rebels will play 3 games with the first game beginning at 4:30 p.m., the 2nd at 5:30 p.m. and the final varsity game at 7:00 p.m.

The Hughes Springs game scheduled for Friday November 20 at Rivercrest has been cancelled. The Rebels home opener will be Saturday, Nov. 21 at 5:00 p.m. vs Commerce. This will be a varsity contest. Get em' Rebels!!!



1998-99 TALCO-BOGATA 7TH GRADE REBELS-are (from the left back row) Coach Jeremy Abshier, Jon Shade, Lonny Sheffield, Keith Perry, Chance Belcher, Joe Stewart and Calan Wilcox; (front row from the left) Michael Miles, Cody Cheatwood, Micha Chaloner, Justin Tucker, Jeffery Abernathy and Jason Jones. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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Rodger & Carolan Freeman

Freemans appearing at Bogata Church of God

Rodger and Carolan Freeman will be appearing at the Bogata Church of God on Highway 37 South, Saturday, November 14 at 7:00 p.m. Their performance features good old Southern Gospel music. The community is cordially invited to attend.

Church service held at Thedford Homes

A church service was held at Thedford Homes in Bogata Tuesday, November 3. Ladies of the Holiness Bible Study group served a pot-luck lunch to the group of 32 prior to the service.

Brother Gary Stephens, principal of Lake Chapel Christian School, brought the message. It was based on the "Parable of the Talents" found in Matthew 25. It was pointed out that the unprofitable servant let fear keep him from working for his master. The students from the school sang several inspirational songs.

The next service at Thedford Homes is scheduled for Tuesday, November 17, at 2:00 p.m. with Brother Donnie Sherrill of Bogata First Assembly of God Church.



A MESSAGE FROM THIS NEWSPAPER AND THE DPS TROOPERS

Bogata News Locals

By Judy Screws
Call 632-5322

Dixie Stringfellow's grandchildren, Terry Perez and Mark Stringfellow, visited her last week.

Happy November birthdays to Michael Roach, Billy Stringfellow, Wm. R. Stringfellow, Ellen Stringfellow and Edna Earl Dodd.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Screws and Chris Anna Guerra were in Sulphur Springs last Friday. After attending to business they had lunch at TaMolly's.

Christopher and Jerred Guerra of Paris spent Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Donald Screws and Tana.

Saturday lunch guests of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Screws and Tana were Chris Anna, Jerry, Christopher and Jerred Guerra of Paris.

Loyce and Ed Huddleston were in Cedar Creek Lake Thursday to visit with Ed's Brother and his wife, Bob and Betty Huddleston. They went on to Lewisville Friday to visit with their son and daughter-in-law, Ronnie and Faye Huddleston and family, granddaughters, Annette and Mark Hudson and family and Andrea and Jeff McKenzie and family and grandson, Mike and Tina Huddleston. They watched granddaughter, Amanda play in a volleyball tournament. Amanda's team came in second in the tournament.

Chris Anna Guerra of Paris spent the day Tuesday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Screws.

Dear Editor

The fire department would like to thank the many people, businesses and companies who have supported us financially this year. Many individuals were folks who experienced a grass fire on their property, others were people who know how valuable a local fire department can be. Several individuals have also donated much needed equipment, others have simply donated money and asked that it be used to purchase certain pieces of equipment.

Many more people could help by participating in a voluntary donation program. People can donate through individual city water bills. Simply add an extra dollar or two to your water bill. Anita will place this donation into a special fund for the purchase of a new fire truck. This pumper truck will be used to fight house fires within the city of Bogata. Without this truck, property owners could experience as much as a 15% increase in insurance rates. More than this rate increase, it could be your home that explodes into flames, or it could be your memories that are lost to fire.

The fire department's desire is to protect every home within our fire district. In order for us to do so we need a newer pumper truck. The present city fire trucks which are over twenty years old will not receive a rating. Therefore, without a newer pumper truck your insurance company will rate your homeowners insurance as if there were no fire department at all! We have mostly addressed home owners, but renters, your insurance will also go up. It sounds like a lot of money, but nothing can replace family pictures, wedding rings, special things kids have made in school down through the years, or lives.

The city is seeking assistance in the purchase of the truck. There are several federal agencies that make grants for such equipment and every avenue is being investigated. In many instances, the city must come up with matching funds in order to qualify for grants.

If this letter leaves you confused, please attend the next city council meeting.

Yours truly,
Teresa Allison
Secretary, Bogata Volunteer Fire Department



FRUIT SALES-have begun for the Rivercrest High School FFA students. FFA member, Shelly Hollis displays the groups order form which contains many different combinations and prices of fruit and more. The sale will end Nov. 11, 1998. Items will be delivered before Christmas. To order contact any FFA student or call Craig Ingram at Rivercrest. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

FOOT NOTES



ARE SANDALS SAFE?
It's that time of year again, when shoe stores fill up with wispy little sandals and brightly colored flip-flops. They may look great in fashion magazines, but are most sandals—with their total lack of support and barely-there cushioning—good for your feet? The answer is a definite "maybe". If your feet are basically normal and healthy, wearing sandals probably won't hurt them. If, however, your feet need the kind of stability and shock-absorption provided by athletic shoes or even orthotics (prescription shoe inserts), sandals must be avoided. Your own body can help you judge: If your feet, back or legs start to hurt after wearing sandals, they're probably not good for you.

Although shoes are meant to protect our feet from cold, injury, disease and pounding on hard pavement, too often we choose them for style rather than comfort and function. Whether shopping for sandals or hiking boots, let common sense dictate, if they aren't comfortable, don't buy them. At the least, you'll end up not wearing them and wasting money; at the worst, they can aggravate foot problems and cause pain. At **DOCTORS FOOT CLINIC** we believe that good shoes are part of the good care your feet deserve. We're located at 3605 NO Loop 286, Suite 1800, Paris. Call for appointment at 784-5585.

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Letters to the editor



Letter to the Editor:

We wish to take this opportunity to thank the First Responders team and the Police department for their prompt response during our time of need.

Re: about 12:30 Friday night my telephone rang in response to a monitor worn by Mrs. Alma (Edith) Bussell, age 88. She had fallen and suffered a broken hip as diagnosed after X-rays at a Paris Hospital.

Since we have a key to her home, we responded to her emergency. Unfortunately she had left the keys in the door that was locked from the inside. We could not unlock the door due to the type of lock.

The First Responders and the Police Department responded immediately, and we explained the problem. We requested the Police to break down the door. At this time we did not know the extent of Mrs. Bussell's illness or injury. Teresa Smith of First Responders asked us if we were her care-takers, and we answered "yes" and requested them to break the door for entry. Officer Kenny Carpenter proceeded to attempt to break the door, and Teresa broke the glass to the door. We then entered and Mrs. Bussell was on the bed and told Teresa and Officer Carpenter what had happened. First aid and consultation were then administered until the ambulance arrived and transported Mrs. Bussell to a Paris Hospital.

Point to be made: What would have happened if First Responders and Police Department were non-existent in our city?

Answer:
Mrs. Bussell would not have received the emergency aid she needed as quickly as she received this very important and possible life saving assistance.

Our thanks (again) to First Responders and the Police Department for their response.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Doyle
Friends of Mrs. Bussell

P.S. Mrs. Bussell is doing fine, and as of 3:30 p.m. Monday, she will undergo hip replacement surgery. We wish for her speedy recovery.

Rivercrest FFA News

The Rivercrest FFA meat products arrived on Monday. Students will be delivering them throughout the week. Top Salesmen in the meat sale were Shelley Hollis, Daniel Lee and Aaron Martin. Prizes will be given to the top three sellers and there will be a drawing for a 20 gauge pumpshotgun for anyone selling over \$300 worth of meat products.

Rivercrest will travel to Paris Junior College on November 19th to compete in District Chapter Conducting, Quiz and Creed Speaking.

The Rivercrest Fruit Sale is underway and will end November 11. Also, the Horticulture Poinsettia sale is going on and will end on November 27th. Anyone needing more information concerning any of the above activities should call 632-5989.

The Rivercrest FFA continues to appreciate the public for supporting their program.

Thank you,
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CONTINUING TO WIN-Bubba Abernathy, Erin Stansell and Jeffery Abernathy took their cattle to compete at the Winstar Autumn Trails Show this past week. Erin's heifer, Holly, won 1st in her class out of 9 competitors, heifer, Gvele won 1st in class out of 10 competitors and won Grand Cahmpion Limousin Heifer. Erin's bulls Goliath and Hosea also did well with Goliath taking 1st in his class and Grand Champion Bull and Hosea taking 1st in his class and Reserve Champion. The bulls were shown by Bubba Abernathy. Bubba took a 2nd in class with his Hereford heifer and Jeffery took a 1st in class with his cow and calf pair. The students are members of the Rivercrest FFA and will show their cattle at Canton soon.

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Deport Eastern Star to have annual turkey dinner

The Deport Easter Star will hold their annual Turkey Feast this Saturday, November 14, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The meal will include turkey and dressing with all the trimmings. It will be held at the Deport School Cafeteria. Cost is Adults \$5, children 12 years and under \$2.50. There will be carry outs and deliveries. To call before Saturday call 652-5256 and on Saturday call 652-3325.

Beef meeting scheduled November 17

The Red River County Extension Office, the Extension Beef and Forage committee and Lextron Animal Health will sponsor a beef producer meeting Tuesday, November 17 at the Clarksville High School cafeteria at 6:30 p.m. Program speakers will include Michah Abshier of Lextron Animal Health, Jim Cochran of Pfizer Animal Health and Dr. Ron Gill, Extension Livestock Specialist.

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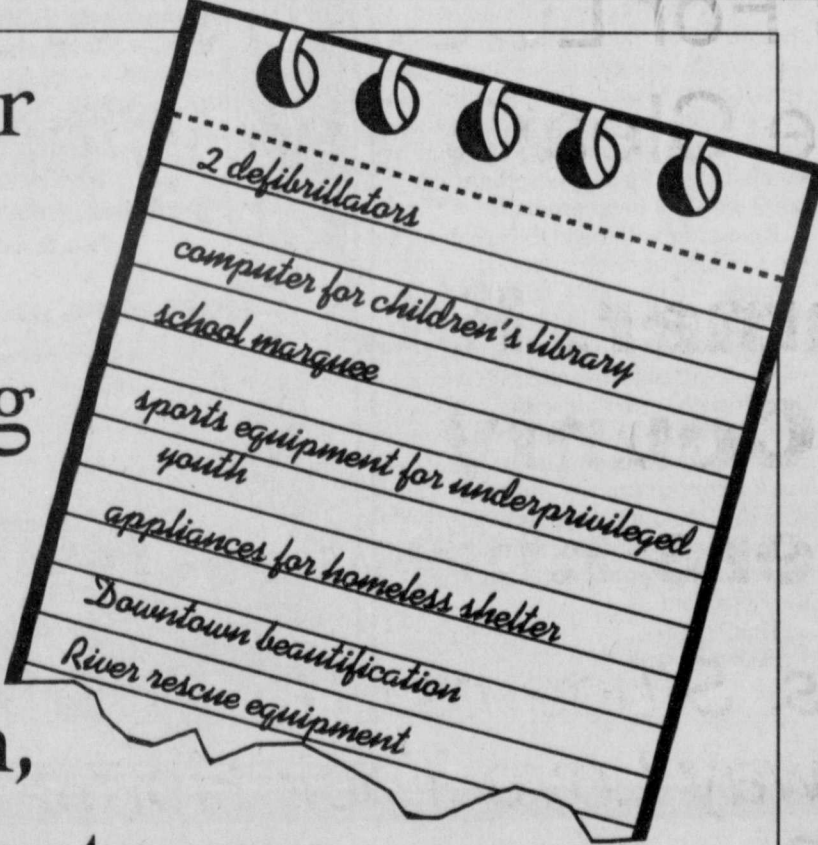
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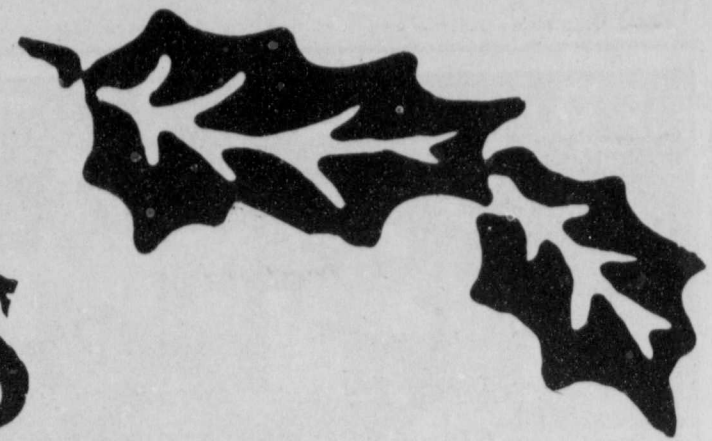
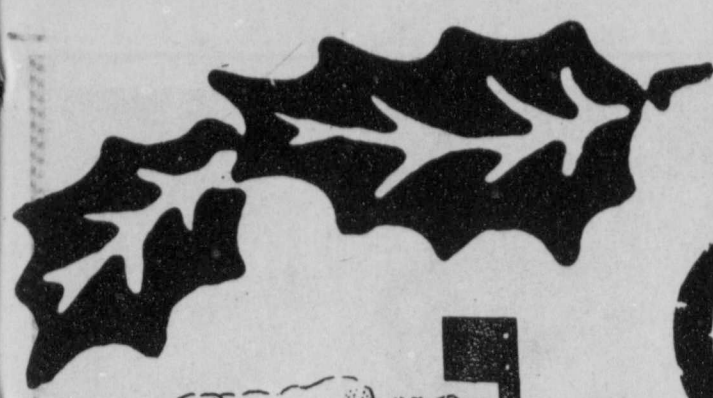
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BLUE BLAZERS OF THE WEEK: Anna Park, left, and a friend were named Blue Blazers of the Week during the halftime performance at the Sulphur Springs Homecoming game. The Blue Blazers have about 50 members consisting of girls from the sophomore, junior and senior classes. Anna is a sophomore this year. She is the granddaughter of Mrs. William Rozell of Bogata. Neil and Frances Rozell, Donna Ann Rozell and grandmother Frances Rozell went to the game to watch Anna perform.

Lennox grant awarded to McCuiston

The Lennox Foundation has announced the award of a \$250,000 grant to McCuiston Regional Medical Center in Paris. The grant will be used for the establishment of the Lennox Health and Resource Centers in Red River and Lamar Counties. The Lennox Foundation was established by the Lennox family of Red River County to meet the social, health and educational needs of northeast Texas with particular emphasis in Red River County.

The gift will provide support over a three year period for community health and outreach services in McCuiston service area with a special focus on Red River County. A task force will meet with McCuiston staff members to determine specific emphasis areas for the program.

Application for the Lennox grant was coordinated by Raymond Armstrong, McCuiston's Director of Development and Pastoral care. He was assisted by Gerry Gunnin, Ph.D.

With assistance from the Lennox grant, a community health coordinator is expected to join the hospital's staff to oversee local programs. A portion of the grant will be used to provide lease space for an outreach center/classroom area in Clarksville.

Opening of the Lennox Health and Resource Center of Red River County is anticipated by the end of 1998.



Bogata VFW Post 8187 ladies auxiliary barbecue drawing. Winning a gift certificate from WalMart is Phyllis Duffer, center, club historian Zelma Mauldin, left and club president, Linda Ballard, right. Niki O'Donnell drew the lucky number October 17.

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New Arrivals

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Red River County Crimestoppers

Sometimes around October 15, 1998, someone vandalized Kathy Bryant's 1993 Buick at Rt.#1-Box 192, Apt. 31 in Detroit. The party or parties unknown appeared to have poured some type of acid inside the car on the carpet and door panels. Crimestoppers is offering a reward of up to \$1000 for information leading to the arrest and indictment of the party responsible for this crime, or any felony crime. Remember, we don't want your name, just your information. Call 427-TIPS or 427-8477.

Rivercrest students compete for title

The Rivercrest Spanish Club is sponsoring a special contest through Nov. 20. Students, Nathan Carroll, Clinton Cheatwood, Jared White and Joey Taylor will be looking for donations for their respective classes during lunch periods. The student who collects the most money will be riding a donkey in the Christmas parades. His title will be Sr. Feo. All donations will go to the Spanish Club. Everyone is encouraged to contribute to the senior of their choice. For more information contact Pam Hays, Spanish teacher at Rivercrest High School 632-5204.

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Mark and Jana Hawkins enjoyed eating at China Star and shopping in Paris on Saturday.
 Koren Hawkins spent the night Friday with Heather Hawkins after the football game.
 Haley Hawkins spent the night with Lindsey Roberts on Friday.
 Weekend visitors of Mark and Jana Hawkins and girls were Kathy, Seton, Seth, Ryan and Koren Hawkins, Shannon Gibbs, Jill Shirley, Robbie Hawkins, Sarah Jean, Douglas Hawkins, Shane Gibbs, James and Paulien Gibbs.
 Wanda and Julian Wilson of Clifton were Thursday supper and overnight guests of Jane and Donald Barnard. Wanda is Donald's sister.
 Runt, David and Lisa Bishop visited Donald and Jane Barnard on Saturday.
 Monday night supper guests of Darold and Jane Barnard were Tresa, Lisa and David Bishop.
 Dodd's musical will be November 20 at 6:30. All pickers and singers are welcome to come to the old grocery store on Hwy. 271 in Johntown.

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November CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Childbirth Education Classes (Must be pre-registered*)	Nov. 3 -24, Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m.	Auditorium
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Big Brother/Big Sister Class (Must be pre-registered*)	Nov. 21, Saturday, 1:30 p.m.	Auditorium
Grandparent's Class (Must be pre-registered*)	Nov. 7, Saturday, 10:00 a.m.	Auditorium
Adult Diabetes Support Group	Nov. 3, Tuesday, 6:00 p.m.	Cafeteria
Diabetes Information Station	All November	TRMC Mall
Free Blood Sugar Checks	Nov. 12, Thursday, 7:30-10:30 a.m.	Wal-Mart
Free Blood Sugar Checks	Nov. 24, Tuesday, 8-10:00 a.m.	TRMC Mall
Better Breather's Club "Power Over Asthma" with Dr. Jon Tompkins; Dr. Tompkins talks about current guidelines for managing asthma in adolescents and adults in this special November meeting of the Better Breather's Club.	Nov. 9, Monday, 6:30 p.m.	Auditorium
Great American Smokeout Information and help to quit, for good. Call Sonia Singleton at 577-6478	Nov. 19, Thursday, all day	TRMC Mall

Rivercrest Honor Roll

Students making the academic honor roll at Rivercrest High School for the second six weeks are:
9th grade-Kayla Belcher, Brittany Bull, Nathan Carroll, Caressa Covington, Brandon Davis, Robyn Hollis, Kendall Stansell and Melissa Waller.
10th grade-Daphne Baird, Clinton Cheatwood, Chase Collins, Kasey Crawford, Kin Exum, Cheryl Griffin, Jennifer Hays, Sara Hollands, Shelly Hollis, Joy Madden, Kara Palmer, Eric Posey, Kerry Posey and Kim Shirley.
11th grade-Bubba Abernathy, Leanda Bass, Brodie Belcher, Leah Bell, Coleman Brown, Ashley Cabell, Missy Carroll, Ryan Case, April Elrod, Stephanie Farmer, Jill Foster, Wendy Gentry, Michelle Glosson, Scotty Goodwin, Joshua Griffin, Courtney Jordan, Kirk King, Sissy Meredith, Ashlei Moles, Carolina Prado, Brandi Randle, Sam Stanley, Lissa Stoner, Jaleh Stundahl and Jason Thomas.
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Truck Bids
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 or presented in person at City Hall on Main Street in Bogata. Each envelope should specify that it contains a truck bid.
 Bids on the fire truck will be opened at a special meeting on November 24, 1998 at 7:00 p.m.
 For bid specifications, call Bogata Volunteer Fire Department at 903-632-5234 and leave a message. Your call will be returned.
 The Bogata Volunteer Fire Department and City of Bogata reserves the right to refuse any or all bids. 11-12

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INVITATION TO BID
 The Bogata Volunteer Fire Department and City of Bogata is accepting sealed bids on a commercial pumper truck.
 Bidding will end at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, November 20, 1998. Bids may be mailed to:
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PUBLIC NOTICE
 The City of Blossom will hold a public hearing November 19, 1998 at 6:30 p.m., at City Hall. The City is preparing a housing plan and needs citizen input to complete the plan. The purpose of the public hearing is to receive public recommendations and other comments regarding housing needs within the City. Interested persons are encouraged to attend. 11-12

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Red River Haven had a Halloween Carnival October 26. There were 30 residents and 96 area children attending. Many of the residents dressed in Halloween costume, as seen here. There were 6 events: basketball free throw, ring toss, bean bag toss, fishing toss, bowling and duck pond.



Kids at Kid Stop Daycare in Bogata show off their Halloween pumpkin they carved for Halloween. Pictured from left to right front row- Matthew Harris, Brian Johnson, Austin Easley, Christopher Kennedy and Kaitlyn Brown. Back row left to right: Ashlyn Kennedy, Tyler Easley, Dustin Rose, Cailie Alford and Kellen Stringfellow.

Bogata School reports second six week honor roll

The Bogata School has announced its second six week honor students. They are: Mrs. Hudson's First grade All A-Matthew Hall, Ryan Kennedy, Brittany Littrell and Heather Story; All A & B-Aaron Burns, Luella Burruss, Ty Crump, Dustin Gentry, Alec Moreno, Chase Richards and Hailey Screws.

Mrs. Ross's First grade All A-Calie Anderson, Dakota Earley, Seton Hawkins, Jessica Jessee, Clay Rose and Garrett Sheffield; All A & B-Aaron Haley, Jennifer Livingston, Kaitlan Pekins and Luke Speir.

Mrs. Stockton's Second grade All A- Laura Arroliga, Tara Cunningham, Matthew Haynes, Niki Lewis, Tara Raulston and Joseph Stewart;

All A & B-Lloyd Burruss, Jarod Davidson, Crystal Dewitt, Samantha Glasener and Seth Hawkins.

Mrs. Weddle's Second grade All A-Kaimbri White, Kayla Whitney and Cheyenne Williams; All A & B-Glen Cruise, Brandon Fields, Kayce Galvin, Kaylie Nieto and Jimmy Schmidt.

Mrs. Kennedy's Third grade All A-Nikki Ebarb, Aaron Lum, Ethan Meredith and Katelyn VanDeaver; All A & B-Wade Allen, Kristen Clark, D.J. Gentry, Colby Horn, Kaylee McIntire, Jordan Stafford and Dara Williams.

Mrs. Reeder's Third grade All A-Lyzzette Gaytan, Courtney Lemme, Carmen Martin, Lauren Mauldin,

Matthew Shew, Jessica Thompson and Coty Townes; All A & B-Chrysal Anderson, Taylor Anderson, Colton Crawford, Sarah Jean, Chris Shirley and Amber Sullivan.

Mrs. Purviance's Fourth grade All A-Micha Haynes and Lee Jordan; All A & B-Lillian Baird, Kathrine Brink, Jesse Harville, Brian Hays, Courtney Merchant, Kirby Needham, Cole Sheffield, Kelsey Taylor, William Vaughan and Chris Watts.

Mrs. Strawn's Fourth grade All A-Lauren Beers, Kelly Shade, Ashley Shew, Krystal Smith, Sherea Roach, Chris Stout and Erica Tucker; All A & B-Shyla Burns, Emily Hood, Callen Morgan, Brantly Morris, Vallery Schmidt and Matthew Ward.

All B-Ace Reynolds.

Mrs. Jordan's Fifth grade All A-Mandy Crawford and Adam Horn; All A & B-Kenton Baker, Sarah Hare and Bailie Spencer.

Mrs. Scott's Fifth grade All A-Holli Bush, Aaron Palmer and Dana Speir; All A & B-Wendy Stewart.

Coach Daugherty and Ms. Alsop's Sixth grade All A-Lindsey Robertson, Kerri Simmons and Kacey VanDeaver; All A & B- Payden Franks, Koren Hawkins and Saleena Whitaker.

Mr. Easterling and Mrs. Pitts Seventh grade All A & B-Crystal Burruss, Micah Chaloner, Brenton Middleton and John Shade.

Mrs. Foster and Mr. Rains Eighth grade All A-Timothy Carder; All A & B-Ashley Beers, Michelle Bryant, Alison Foster, Lacy Harper, Megan Horn, Jessica Rose, Misti Simmons and Erica Williams.

Have A Great Weekend

<p>Huddleston DRAWING \$50 in Groceries Saturday, 5:00 p.m.</p>		<h1>HUDDLESTON'S GROCERY</h1> <p>SPECIALS GOOD EVERY DAY: Thurs. Nov. 12th Thru Wed. Nov. 18th. OPEN Mon.-Sat. 7:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. SUNDAY 9:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m. BOGATA 632-5624 7 Days A Week</p>				<p style="text-align: center;">We Honor Manufacturers COUPONS</p>	
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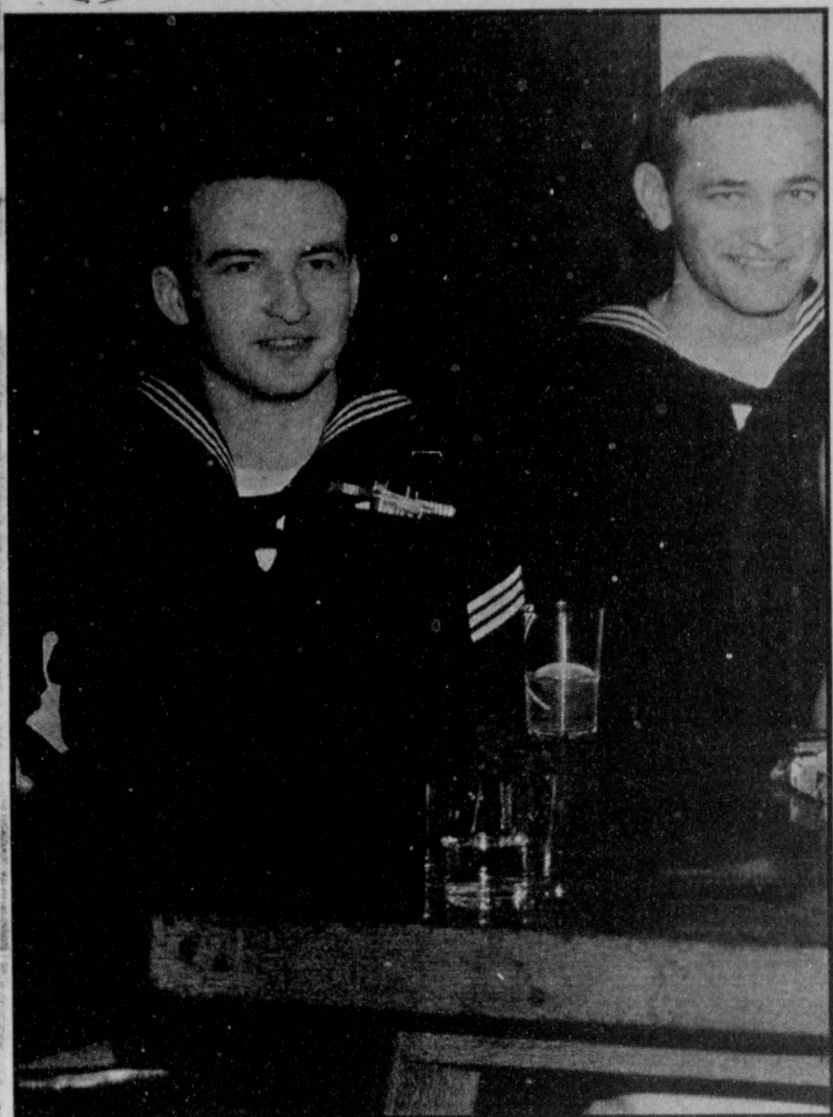
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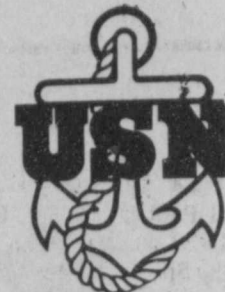
*A Special Section of Memories
Honoring Veterans from All
Branches of the Armed Services
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A SMALL WORLD-Bobby Denison and Dan Barnard of Deport met for a visit in a restaurant while both were on leave from their duties during the Korean War. The two Deport boys met by chance and enjoyed a night away from home and war.



CAINE MUTINY-The moving starring Humphrey Bogart, Steve Bogart, Lauren Bacall, Fred McMurray, Van Johnson, Robert Francis and men of the USS Kearsarge, including 3rd Class Petty Officer Dan Barnard. Caine Mutiny was one of two movies made aboard the carrier.



From Ft. Sill to D-Day

I went into the service September 3, 1942 and was asked what branch of the army I wanted. I said Coast Artillery. They sent me to Coast Art. School in Ft. Sill, OK and I landed on the coast of France (Normandy Beach) on June 6, D-Day on Gun No. 13, a 23 ton self-propelled 105 Hwz. track vehicle. M. 7. 12 guns in a battalion I was told fired 57,000 rounds of 105 MM shells during the war. D-Day until May 7, 1945.

August 12, midnight, 1944: I was wounded in an air raid on our Gun. Air lifted to England to hospital #11

for five months. Returned to duty into the Battle of the Bulge on January 13 at Bastone. Back to old Gun No. 13, lost it once time in the war, but the new one was 13 until the end.

Went through the Seigfried line, crossed the River Rhine and was in S.E. Germany when the war ended May 7, 1945. I said "Thank the Lord"

I received five Battle Stars on E.T.O. Ribbon, the Arrowhead for D-Day, Bronze Star, Purple Heart and a Good Conduct medal.

George Millsap
Detroit, TX

Subject: Unexpurgated Citation to Award of Bronze Star Medal
To: Private First Class George M. Millsap, 38222486, Battery "A", 42nd Field Artillery Battalion

Citation:

"George M. Millsap, 38222486, Private First Class, Battery "A", 42nd Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany, 6 June 1944 to 28 February 1945. Private Millsap, a cannoneer, landed on the coast of France with his battery in the initial assault on D-Day. Despite inclement weather and regardless of the time of day, Private Millsap worked tirelessly to deliver artillery fire against the enemy. Exposure to enemy counterbattery fire and serial strafing did not deter him from performing his duties in an outstanding manner. Private Millsap's initiative, courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and the military service."

By Command of Major General Blakeley:
Frank C. Castagneto
Lieutenant Colonel, A.G.D.
Adjutant General



THIRD CLASS PETTY OFFICER DAN BARNARD served aboard the USS Aircraft Carrier Kearsarge for six months off the coast of Korea. The carrier was the size of three football fields and was served by 3,000 men. Barnard, on right, and Airman Coffin, posed by a F-4 Phantom jet in the picture. Above: Barnard worked as a bomb elevator operator raising and lowering F-4 Phantom jets and 20mm belting ammunition.

HE GAVE EVERYTHING....

In December 1943, I was in Morrison Field, Florida, when planes left our base for Africa, Europe, Russia and China. At that time, one of the stops enroute was Ascension Island for refueling.

"And if you miss Ascension, your wife gets a pension."

A number of planes were with us for one or two days only. I had some of the transient crews housed with the squadron I commanded. One of the transient sergeants came into my office, excited. "Captain", he said, "they tell me your first Sergeant is from Los Angeles."

I said yes and I helped him find Master Sergeant Charles W. Golde. The two of them talked about Los Angeles, and the Sergeant became more and more excited. He was very homesick. "Oh, I'd give anything to be in L.A. for Christmas," he kept saying, "I'd give anything."

The next morning before daylight,

his plane took off, something went bad wrong and the plane crashed on take off and all aboard were killed.

Since we were still in the United States, the Sergeant's body was shipped by train to his home in Los Angeles and Sergeant Golde was detailed to go with the body and be at the funeral.

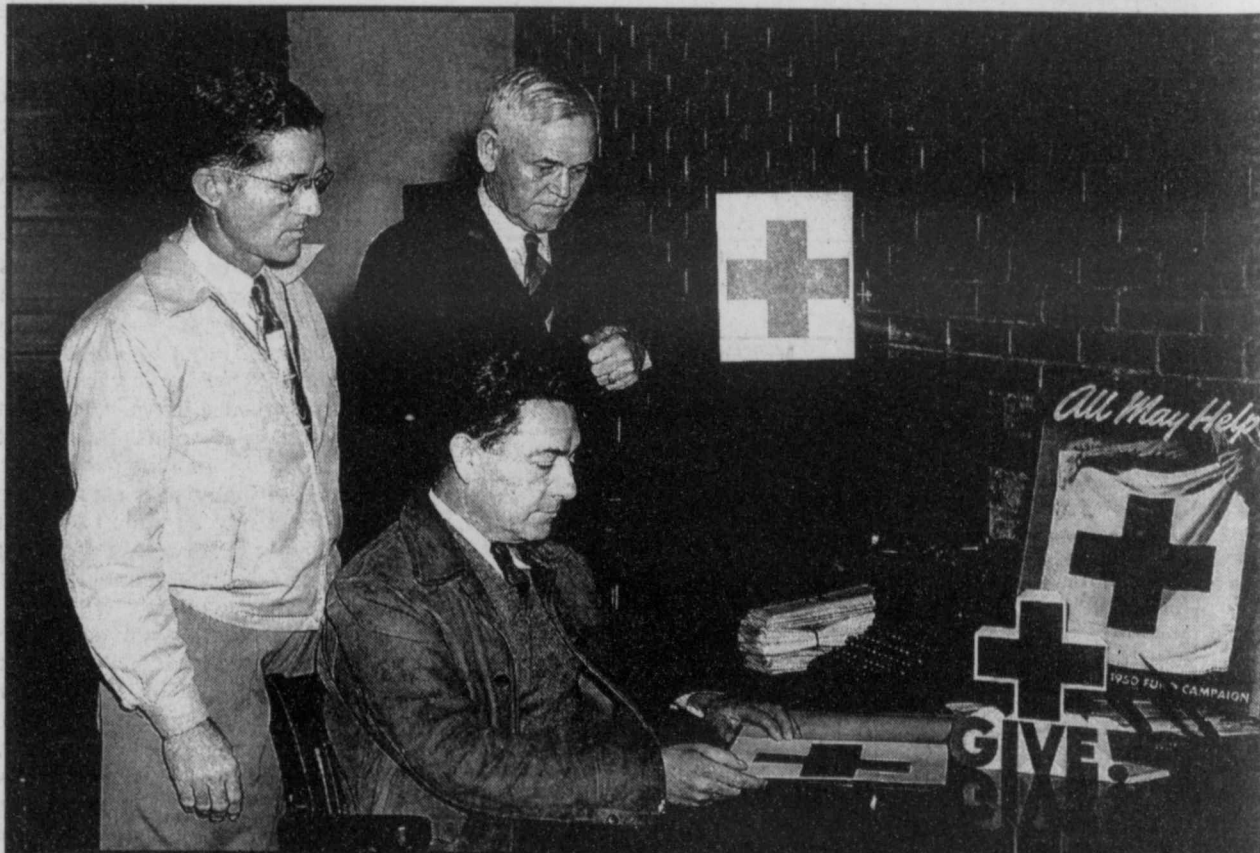
But even though Golde would get to be with his family for Christmas after he delivered the body, he told me it was a wierd experience. The closer he got to Los Angeles, the more often he kept hearing the Sergeant's voice, "Oh, I'd give anything to be in L.A. for Christmas!"

The train pulled into Los Angeles about midnight on Christmas Eve, and for miles before it got there, Golde kept hearing "I'd give anything to be in L.A. for Christmas!"

Yes, the Sergeant had given everything, and he was in L.A.

Henry Lee Somerville

"They also Serve Who Sit and Wait"
Don't forget the valiant families who waited and wondered about those they loved during wartime!



DEPORT RED CROSS VOLUNTEERS -Curtis B. Glover Tom Jeffus and John H. Moore worked as volunteers for the Red Cross Fund Campaign in 1950 during the Korean war. This picture was taken in Deport bank.



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MSG Paul L. Walker, USA Retired

MSG Paul L. Walker, USA, Retired (D-22-L), was a charter member of the Special Forces Association. He joined the Marine Corps in 1946 and saw service in China. In 1948 he left the Marines for the Army and served initially with the 82nd Airborne Division's A Battery, 319th Field Artillery. In 1952, he joined the newly organized 10th Special Forces Group and deployed with them to Bad Tolz. He subsequently served with distinction with the 10th SFG; the 1st SFG, participating in the "White Star" MTT to Laos; three tours with the 5th SFG as an "A" Team Sergeant in the Republic of Vietnam; and with the 3rd SFG at Fort Bragg. During his tenure with the 3rd, he was team sergeant of an "A" Detachment committed on a major eight month training mission to Ethiopia, Operation White Came.

Decorations and awards include the Bronze Star w/OLC, the Army Commendation Medal w/"V" and OLC; the Purple Heart Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal, Army Good Conduct Medal, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal, American Defense Medal, China Service Medal, USMC Good Conduct Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, National Defense Service Medal w/OLC, Army of Occupation Medal, Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry, Master Parachutist Badge, Combat Infantryman's Badge and the Glider Badge.

He was born December 26, 1928 in Minter, the son of Lola King Comer of Paris, and died July 28, 1998. He was laid to rest with full military and Special Forces Association honors on August 1 at Ridgeview Memorial Park in McKinney.

In memory of Dean Hallmark, Tokyo Raider

Dean Hallmark was my classmate, Paris Junior College class of 1936.

On April 18, 1942, Lieutenant Dean Hallmark piloted one of the B-25's that took off from the flight deck of the USS Hornet and he bombed Tokyo, Japan.

They bombed a city? Yes, I know you draft dodgers and those of you who voted for draft dodger Clinton will say bombing a city is not politically correct. But the Japanese had bombed Pearl Harbor, and had boasted they could conquer the United States and make it a slave country. They had already captured, tortured and executed Americans.

Jimmy Doolittle and his Tokyo Raiders went into combat knowing they could run out of fuel and probably be killed. My PJC classmate ran out of fuel in China and was badly hurt and then captured.

Much later, after I left the Air Force in 1945 and was recalled involuntarily in 1951. I was in Tokyo

in our Air Force Inspector General's office. The young Japanese man who cleaned our rooms, Taigi Deguchi, bragged to me that he had watched in the park close to us, an entire crew of American flyers get their heads cut off in a big public show of executions. He was talking about Dean Hallmark and his crew.

General Kinney said, however, that Dean Hallmark's injuries were so bad that the Japanese just shot him, then dressed up some other prisoner and cut his head off in a big public show.

Anyway, Dean Hallmark went on this mission to bomb Tokyo, knowing he would probably get killed, and he was. Why the officials at Paris Junior College have never made a hero of Dean and put his picture in the hallway, I do not know. Of course, he was not the only one of my classmates killed, but he was heroic.

Lee Somerville



By The President of the United States

A Proclamation

WHEREAS a notable contribution was made in the history of ocean transportation when the steamship The Savannah set sail from the United States on May 22, 1819, and made the first successful voyage across the Atlantic Ocean under steam propulsion; and

WHEREAS in commemoration of this achievement the Congress by a joint resolution approved May 20, 1933 designated May 2 of each year as National Maritime Day and requested the President to issue annually a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to observe that day; and

WHEREAS many thousands of patriotic men and women are toiling through the long hours of the day and night in the construction of the great fleets of vessels that carry the goods of victory to the distant battlefronts of the United Nations; and

WHEREAS our ships, sailing every ocean, have been manned by courageous officers and seamen all of whom have left the security of their firesides and many of whom have given their lives for the land of their allegiance; and

WHEREAS the American people are looking forward to the days of lasting peace when the merchant fleets of the Nation, wisely used and vigilantly maintained, shall sail the seas freed from the perils of war:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Franklin D. Roosevelt, President of the United States of America, do hereby call upon the people of the United States to observe May 22, 1945 as National Maritime Day by displaying the flag at their homes or other suitable places, and I direct that the flag be displayed on all Government buildings on that day.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States of America to be affixed.

DONE at the City of Washington this 4th day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and forty-five, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and sixty-ninth.

Franklin D. Roosevelt

By the President: Dean Acheson, Acting Secretary of State

A Pollywog or a Shellback?

What is the difference between a pollywog and a shellback? A pollywog is a sailor that has never crossed the Equator. Once he crossed the Equator and had been inspected by Davey Jones and his Royal Staff, and having been found worthy to be numbered as his Trusty Shellbacks, he has been duly initiated into the Solemn Mysteries of the Ancient Order of the Deep.

Be it further understood: That by virtue of the power invested in me, I do hereby command all my subjects to show due honor and respect to him

wherever he may be. Disobey this order under penalty of our Royal Displeasure Davey Jones, His Majesty's Scribe and Neptune Rex, Ruler of the Raging Main.

The ship I was on the USS Sandusky, initially crossed the Equator on September 2, 1944 and later crossed the Equator 11 more times. Trusty Shellback, Richard Nance P.S. We never saw or heard of El Nino. Davey Jones and his Royal Staff ruled the seas.

The Horse Marines

When I enlisted in the Marines in 1946, they had gone to stricter peacetime standards as a result of budget cuts, and their number had dwindled to fewer than 100,000.

Fifteen of us had joined in Dallas that day. Thirteen Texans and two New Yorkers. The New York guys had encountered a Marine from Texas in a bar up there. He had said he was in the "Horse Marines" and told glowing accounts of their battles. He pumped them so full, they couldn't wait to join and get on horses. He told them that Dallas was the only place where a guy could join the Horse Marines.

They had hitchhiked all the way. They were devastated to learn there were no Horse Marines. The recruiting Sergeant told them that as long

as they were there, they might as well sign up with the walking Marines.

The 15 of us were sent over to the Navy doctors for our physicals. Nine of us passed. The New York guys and one other fellows were told that although they hadn't passed the Marine physical, the Navy would accept them if they wanted to join.

The New Yorkers thought it over and decided they wouldn't like the water. They were going to hitchhike back to New York. We felt sorry for them, so we took up a collection and bought them bus tickets. We saw them off, and as the bus pulled out, one of our guys said, "You can bet they'll never tell about going to Texas to join the Horse Marines."

Quinnon Davis

Marine Lance Cpl. White reports for duty

Marine Lance Cpl. Johnny L. White, a 1995 graduate of Prairiland High School, recently reported for duty with 3rd Support Battalion, 3rd Force Service Support Group, Okinawa, Japan.

White's rotation to a new duty station exemplifies the worldwide

assignability of Marines and Sailors. The flexibility allows the naval forces to protect U.S. national interests around the world while providing a visible deterrence for regional conflicts.

He joined the Marine Corps in September 1995.

A day at the beach.

In the summer of 1967, I was a Specialist in the Army Security Agency, stationed at Kagnew Station in Asmara, Ethiopia.

Asmara is on a mountain overlooking the Red Sea in what is now Eritrea. At that time, the Eritrea Freedom Movement, a rebel group fighting the Ethiopian government to free Eritrea, was active in the area between Asmara and the port of Masawa on the Red Sea. There were tales told about U.S. soldiers who were kidnapped and held for ransom by the rebels several years before.

The government of Ethiopia fenced off a large stretch of white sand beach on the Red Sea near Masawa for U.S. soldiers. This stretch of beach was well guarded by Ethiopian soldiers and always had U.S. soldiers there.

One weekend that summer, a friend and I took a jeep for a trip down the mountain to the beach. The road down had been surveyed by helicopter and had lots of hairpin curves. It was a really fun 80-mile drive. You could drive for miles and see nothing but baboons and giraffes. About halfway down, we approached a wooded area as about a dozen Eritrean rebels came out into the road and flagged us down. All of them had automatic weapons and ammo belts wrapped around their shoulders and waists. They had their weapons pointed at us but didn't seem threatening. In Eritrea, most natives speak several languages, but little English. Communication was not going well until I heard the word "agua". We had no water, so I offered them beer from our cooler. Their commander "strongly" refused. Then we had the idea of melted ice in the cooler. We filled their canteens with ice water from the cooler and they happily filtered back into the woods thanking us.

On the next trip down about a month later, we came around a hairpin curve cut in solid rock. Around this curve, there was a wrecked truck

and a car parked in the middle of the road. My friend was driving and turned left very sharply to avoid going over the side and hit the mountain. He was thrown out and I was left in the jeep, which was now out of control and went over the side. Fortunately, it was an open jeep and I was able to grab the windshield and propel myself out of the jeep and land safely face down in gravel. Neither of us was seriously injured. WE had made a lot of noise and were miles away from any civilization, so we thought: Within minutes, we were surrounded by a dozen or so Ethiopian soldiers in full battle gear. Where they came from I'll never know. I checked on my friend and then went to check the jeep, which had landed upright among some trees. The passenger seat had come loose and had been thrown several yards. I put the seat back in and carefully drove the jeep up the steep slope and back onto the road. I drove us on to Masawa. Fortunately, there was a U.S. Navy ship in port. We went to the ship and my buddy got a few stitches in his arm and some salve for our scrapes. Needless to say, we didn't swim in the saltwater on that trip.

That night we were driving around Masawa sight-seeing and ran across a huge rally of some kind. Several white robed figures in the group raised their fists at us and started screaming and chasing us. I backed down the street as fast as the jeep would go, turned around, and headed for the protected beach.

Later that night, a convoy of U.S. Military Police vehicles came to the beach to escort everyone back up the mountain. Israel had attacked Egypt and, politically, things had gotten a little strange.

After 30 years, the beauty of the mountains of Eritrea and the Red Sea is still fresh in my memory as if it were yesterday.

Adventures in Ethiopia by Dave Seber

Something To Think About

Estimated World War II Fatalities

Country	Military	Civilian	Total
Soviet Union	13,600,000	7,700,000	21,300,000
China	1,324,000	10,000,000	11,324,000
Germany	3,250,000	3,810,000	7,060,000
Poland	850,000	6,000,000	6,850,000
Japan	1,506,000	300,000	1,806,000
Yugoslavia	300,000	1,400,000	1,700,000
Rumania*	520,000	465,000	985,000
France*	340,000	470,000	810,000
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"A Family Affair"

The late Mr. and Mrs. R.L. Denison had four sons and one grandson in war times during World War II.

The late Paul Denison served in Counter Intelligence Corp. He was stationed in Milan, Italy for 14 months after the close of the war.

Carlys Denison served in 424th Infantry in France and Germany for four years and eleven months.

Warren Denison served in Italy for three years and in Korean for six years. He was in the Air Force.

Bobby Denison served in the Navy in the Pacific.

Grandson Carroll Read Denison served in the Navy aboard the U.S.S. Owens in the Caribbean Sea. This was an ammo ship and was in the Bay of Pigs off the Cuban coast.



Tech. Sgt. Carlys Denison

Military Service tradition to O'Neals-McKnights

A family affair-military service in the L'Wanda McKnight's family is pretty much a tradition, she says.

Her husband, James (Pete) McKnight served in Korea with the 64th tank battalion. Her sister, Ethelyn O'Neal Davis was a WAC in World War II, her brothers, Claude T. O'Neal was in the Airforce during World War II, and her brother, A.T. O'Neal wered in the Airforce during World War II.



James (Pete) McKnight, Korea, Army

After 31 years

During my tour in Korea, 1966-67, I had many Army buddies. One particular Army buddy, whose name was James Clardy from Houston, had a problem with his wife and had to return to the states to get a divorce.

This was a spur of the moment thing, and as he was leaving the company area, he borrowed my Army jacket because the temperature at the time was about 10 degrees Fahrenheit.

James took the military hop back to the states and got the divorce, and I guess he forgot about my Army jacket and left it at his mother's house.

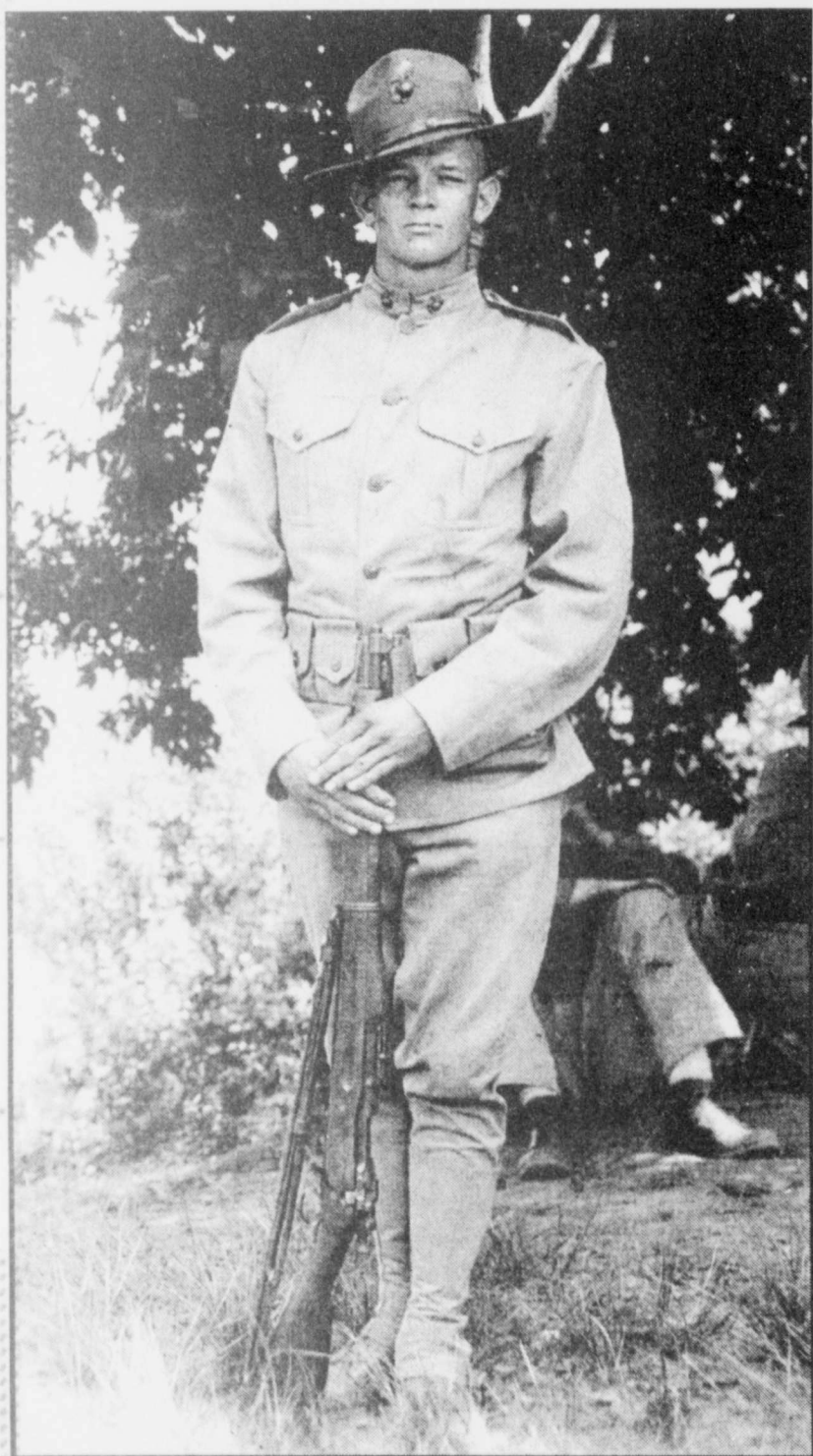
This past summer at my Army reunion in Pearland, I saw James and asked him about my Army jacket. He had since retrieved the jacket from his mother's house and brought it with him to the reunion, thinking I would be there.

Thirty-one years and 50 pounds later, I got my Army jacket back. It's just like new, but it's too small. And, don't tell Uncle Sam that I have his jacket, or I might be in trouble!

Ronnie Baker



Ronnie Baker of Paris shared a memorable story from his Army days.



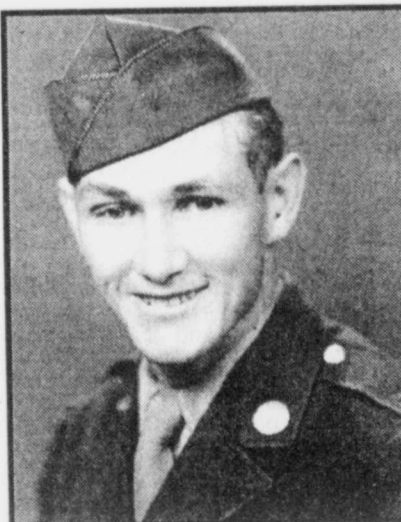
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A Marine in Cuba



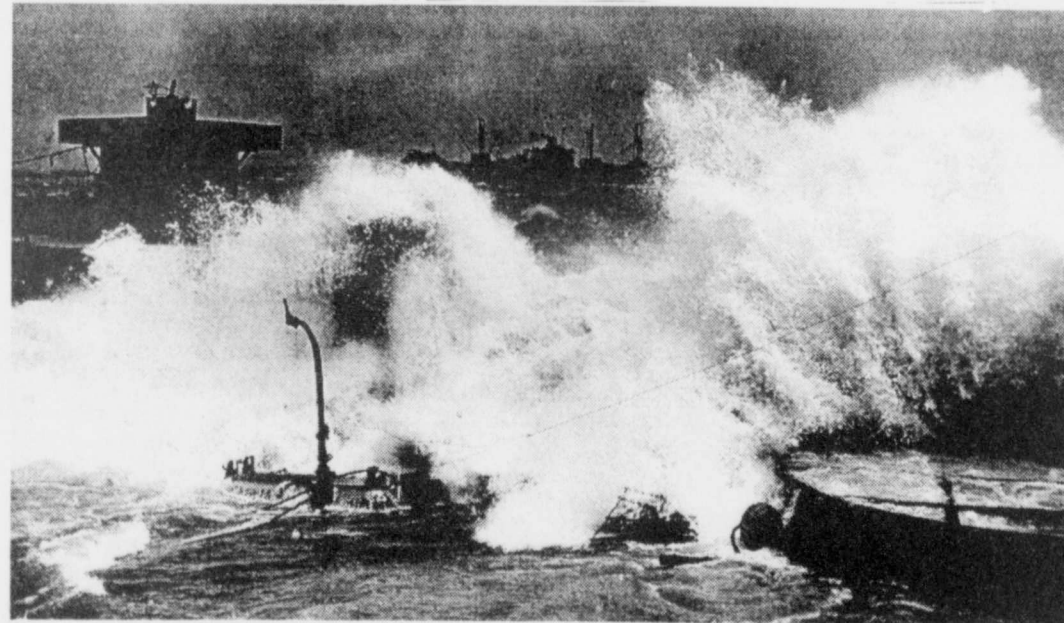
Ethelyn O'Neal Davis, WAC, WWII



SPC. 4 AARON NICHOLS, formerly of Deport, served in the U.S. Army from 1960 to 1962. Immediately out of boot camp, Nichols was ordered to Manatim, Germany, where he served in the 18th infantry 8th Division. He held five job ratings, one of which was Heavy Artillery and he was involved in the Berlin Crisis in 1961. Pictured with Nichols in his 1953 Willies Jeep is Paul Myers of Corpus Christi and Harold Jackson of Dallas.



Claude T. O'Neal, WWII, Airforce



The Merchant Marine at D-Day

Strategic sinking 23 freighters, bow to stern on D-Day Plus One and Two created a breakwater behind which allied invasion craft unloaded troops and supplies during a furious storm that ripped the Normandy beaches. Six Coast Guard officers, all experts in dealing with treacherous surf currents, participated in the supervision of the sinkings and were commended for their efficient accomplishment of the task. Pictured, a mountainous wave beats against one of the sunken vessels, the Centurion, key ship of the chain, as landing operations proceed. Just beyond the deck of the Centurion at left may be seen the top of a "Phoenix" which broke loose from its mooring father out during the storm. A Liberty ship is standing by.



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Henry C. Jack Dodd, Jr.

We took the top off the Admiral's boat

The heavy cruiser, the U.S.S. Minneapolis, was my home for 1945-1946 during and at the end of World War II.

I was in "A" Division, assigned to the evaporators. We made fresh water from salt water. I was also the Admiral's Pogy boat engineer. I ran the marine 8 diesel for his 26 foot private boat.

On our way to the Philippines and later China, we stopped in Pearl Harbor for two days. That night the Admiral, Mr. Kinkaid, sent for his

boat so he and the Captain to go ashore.

They were dressed in whites and very clean and trim. As we approached the dock, which was elevated, the sailor steering the boat gave me the signal to speed up instead of back down for docking.

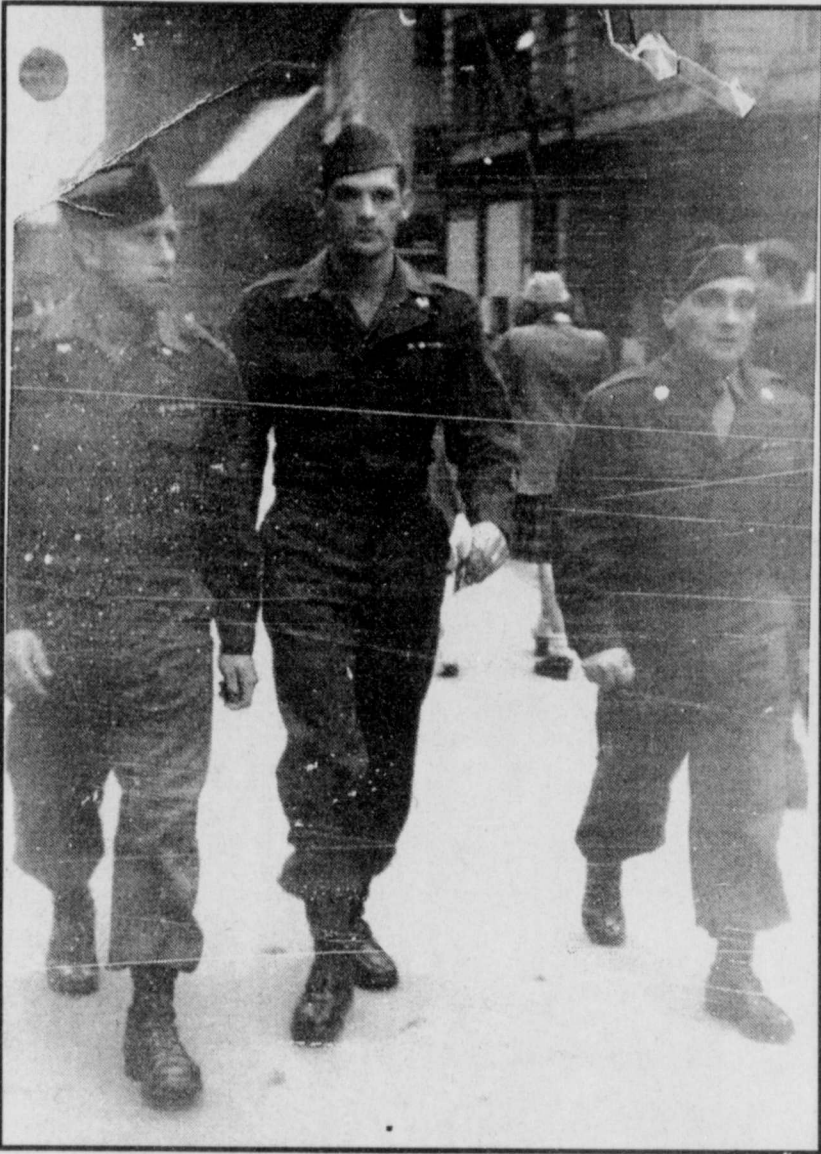
That Yankee sailor steered us directly under the dock, tearing off the canvas top and putting everyone on the bottom of the boat.

The Admiral and Captain had to go back aboard the Minnie and change

clothes. We then took them to shore and the Admiral ordered us to make practice landings for the four hours they were ashore.

Last month, Ann and I attended our first U.S.S. Minneapolis CH 36 reunion. They had been having them for nine years, but I did not know. We met in Corpus Christi for three days. I saw former mates for the first time since 1945-1946. We had a great time. Yes, Ann got in some shopping too.

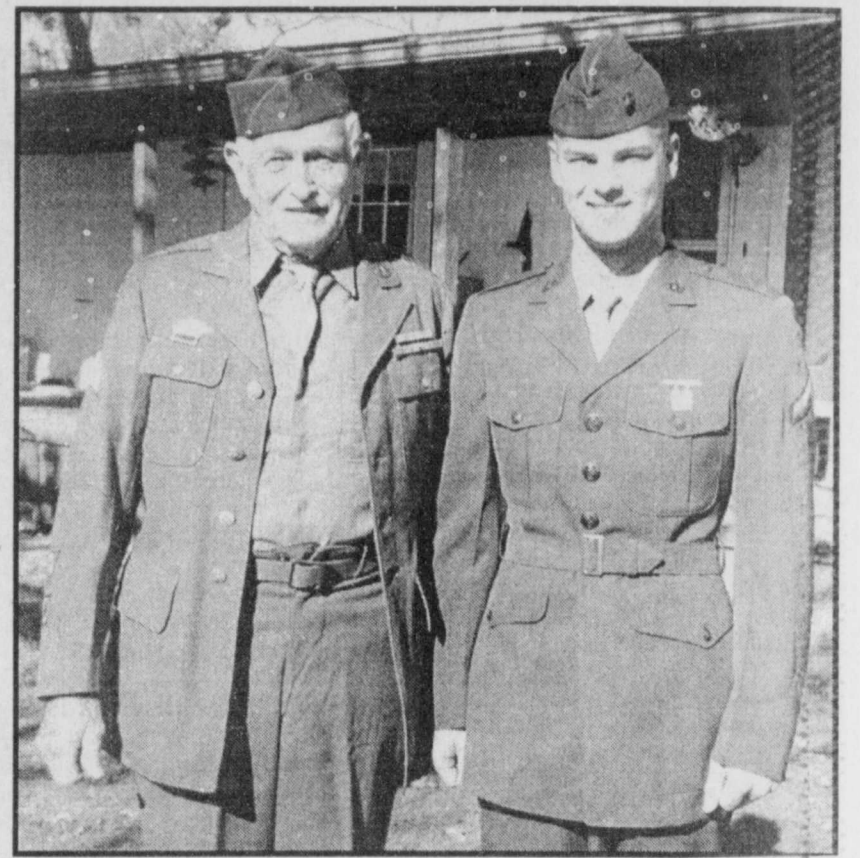
Jack Dodd, Jr.



CHARLES DAVIDSON, JR., middle, of Deport, strolled down the streets of Copenhagen with a couple of buddies while on one of a very few leaves they had from action. Charlie served from January 1944 through January, 1946.



MABEL & LIONEL MAY of Penyance Cornwall, England were hosts to Pfc. Charlie Davidson Jr. of Deport during World War II. Charlie lived with the couple while stationed in England before leaving to later take part in the D-Day invasion of Normandy.



Air Force Sargent, Charles Inman and Marine Lance Corporal Matt Bales

Inman-Bales share family tradition

Keeping it in the family, Lance Corporal Matt Bales of the United States Marine Corp is shown here with his grandfather, Charles Inman. LCPL Bales is currently serving 4 years in the Marines and is stationed at 29 Palms, California, where he works as a M1A1 tank mechanic.

Charles Inman served in World War II from 1942 to 1946 as an airplane mechanic. Two years were served in India working on B 25, medium bomber jets and C87's, a 4 engine cargo plane.

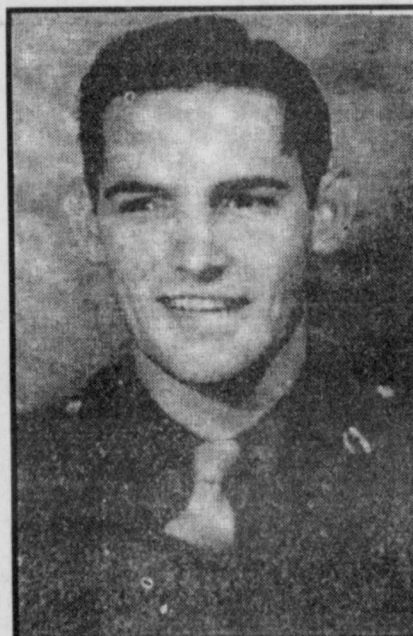
Mr. Inman is very proud of his grandson. Both men are residents of the Hagensport community.



COL. Stanley J. Smith, USAF (Ret.), from Pauls Valley, OK, entered the U.S. Air Force ROTC program at Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, OK in 1963 and retired in 1993. After graduating with a degree in Aeronautical Engineering, he entered service and flew bombing missions throughout the Vietnamese conflict and flew surveillance missions in Turkey, Honduras and Iraq. He saw overseas tours of duty in England and Spain and was stationed with the Pentagon in Washington, DC just prior to his retirement. He is currently teaching ROTC training in Baltimore, MD. He is the cousin of Cindy Allen of Manchester.



THIS PATCH was worn by the 29th Infantry Division. During the European Theater, the 29th Division suffered casualties of 4,786 deaths and 15,541 wounded in action. Charles Davidson, Jr. of Deport served with the 29th and was in the 175th regiment and in the 3rd wave on D-Day on Omaha Beach, Normandy.



THIS PHOTO of Charlie Davidson, Jr. appeared in the Deport Times in July of 1944. In a recent letter to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Davidson of Deport, he reported he had been made expert infantryman and was back from the front after fighting for 43 days in France. By the time of his discharge, Charlie had received an Expert Infantry Badge, a European African Middle Eastern Campaign with 4 Bronze Stars and a bronze arrowhead, a Good Conduct medal and a World War II medal.



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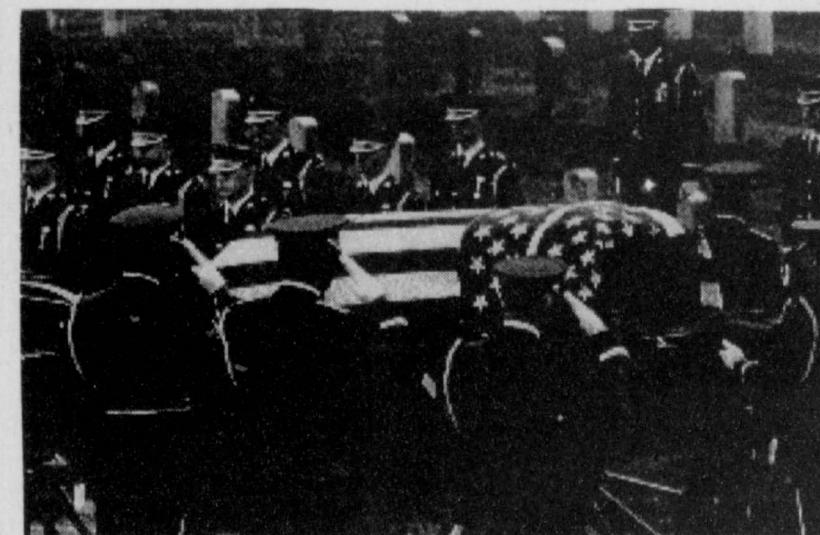
Ruth Vaughan of Paris sent the following article printed in 1952, and writes, "My son, James Francis, enlisted in the Army at the age of 17. He was sent to Hawaii for basic training and was in the Tank Battalion. Later he was sent to Korea during the Korean War. Another young man from Bogata, a friend of James, Oscar Brady was also sent to Korea. They didn't know each of the other was there until they met."

With the 2nd Inf. Div. in Korea, Pvt. Oscar Brady of Bogata, truck driver with Headquarters Company, 72nd Tank Battalion, is a new arrival

in Korea and felt understandably lonesome until a few days ago.

Brady was driving along a road when he happened to stall his truck in front of a tank. Up from the tank shot the head and shoulders of the tank commander, accompanied by instructions in no uncertain terms to get the truck out of the way.

Before the tanker could get much father, however, Brady had recognized him. Turns out he was Sgt. James C. Francis, also of Bogata. Francis is in Company C of the battalion, and scheduled for rotation to the U.S. soon.



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Wilkinson family attends 376th VA Reunion

By Charles Wilkinson

The 376th Veteran's Association Reunion was held in Minneapolis, MN September 3-7.

Jean and I left the farm about 9:00 on the morning of August 30. It was a clear, rather warm morning. We drove to the Flying J Truck Stop at Tye where we met Lynn and Nancy for breakfast. After breakfast and our good-byes, we gassed up the van and got on the road to Bogata, arriving at my sister, Dora Thompson's home about five o'clock. My other sister, Marjoree Glover met us there. Monday morning, August 31, we loaded Dora and Marjoree's luggage into the van and started to Clarksville, Arkansas, where our sister-in-law, Helen Wilkinson lives. We arrived there in the afternoon. After spending the night with Helen, we loaded her luggage and began the next leg of our trip. This is the first time that Helen has gone with us.

We drove to Kansas City where we stopped to visit the son of the bombardier of our crew. He and his wife, Robert and Janet Bloom, had intended to go to the reunion, but they had just opened a new Deli and were still too snowed under to be able to take the time off. We spent a couple of hours with them, then decided to drive another couple of hours before stopping for the night. We stopped in Bethany, MO for the night.

The next morning, Wednesday the second of September, we began the last leg of our trip to Minneapolis, arriving there about 3:00 p.m. Then began the ordeal of transferring all our luggage from the van to the hotel rooms. It took two bell boys and two carts for this task.

An interesting side light - I always take my bar with me since I feel that I can't afford hotel bar prices, and I also like to do a lot of entertaining in our room after the day's planned activities are over. I hauled a bottle of Texas wine over 1400 miles without breaking it. The bell boy managed to break it while hauling it less than 100 yards. I was a little perturbed to say the least. However, a friend that we had met in Charleston SC two years ago who lives in Minneapolis, replaced the wine for me. The only problem was that it wasn't Texas wine.

While the women unpacked, I went down and picked up our Reunion registration packets. Since the reunion activities didn't start until the next day, we caught a shuttle bus to the Mall of America. We went to the Odyssey, a new restaurant that had just opened, for dinner. This was on

the third level of the Mall. We were amazed at the size of the servings. We found, wherever we ate, that the servings were very large.

The reunion officially began on Thursday the third of September. While the women took the shuttle bus to the Mall of America, the largest mall in America, I stayed at the hotel. It is fun sitting around greeting old friends as they come in to register. Also, I spent time in the hospitality room. We also call it the PX because they have several souvenir items for sale. I felt that I had to replace my blue 376th cap. Also, I had run out of the decals that I put on my car window. My van looked bare with no little blue sticker with a B-24 and 376th Bomb Group veteran's Association on it.

When the women returned from their shopping trip at the mall, I was surprised at how little they had bought. I think all Jean had bought was a pair of shoes.

At five that evening we had a reception. Finger foods and a cash bar. This lasted until six. At 6:30 we boarded buses for the Mystic Lake Casino. We didn't lose much money as none of us are avid gamblers. We returned to the hotel about eleven o'clock.

On Friday morning we began a tour of the city. The city of Minneapolis has twenty-two lakes and one hundred seventy parks. Minneapolis has a population of 384,000 people. We left the hotel at 9:00 a.m. and returned about two o'clock. We had about an hour before boarding buses at 3:00 p.m. for our dinner cruise on the Harriet Bishop. The ship was a paddle wheeler and was named after one of Minneapolis' early school teachers. We had an eighteen mile cruise on the Mississippi River. Also we had the best meal that we have ever had on any of our dinner cruises. After we returned to the hotel a couple of Cincinnati, Ohio came to our room for a couple of drinks. We first got acquainted with them in 1996 in Charleston, SC. Larry was shot down over Northern Italy and spent two years in prison camps. He told some interesting stories of his life as a POW. He told how sixteen of them tunneled out of one prison. When they came out of the tunnel, one of them blew up a truck loaded with ammunition. When they were recaptured, the Germans were questioning them trying to find which one of them did it. No one would tell, so the Germans took them out and lined them up in front of a firing squad. Larry

said that they would question them a few minutes and then the squad would raise their rifles and take aim. Then they would lower their rifles and the questioning would begin again. He said that this happened three times before they were taken back into the prison. Larry said that he was in seven different prisons. Sometimes they were loaded on boxcars, sometimes they were marched. He said that he weighed 186 when he was shot down and weighed 87 pounds when he was liberated. He said that the American doctors were very careful about limiting their food until they got used to eating again.

On Saturday, September 5, we had our luncheon. For several years the men's and women's luncheons were separate. However, the last several years we have integrated. This year we had two speakers, a colonel who was from the Defense Department and a lady who was a doctor teaching in Georgia. She was German and had grown up in Munich, Germany. She talked about living through the many American air raids on the city. She told Jean that her main concern in coming to speak to our group was how she would be accepted.

Then at 5:00 p.m. we boarded the buses for the Old Log Theater for a dinner and show. Again as I said about the dinner on the riverboat, this was the best dinner that we have ever had at a dinner theater. The show was very good also. We saw the "Odd Couple".

Also on Saturday, the engineer of our crew and his wife arrived as well as the radio operator and his wife. These, along with me, are the only surviving crew member that we know of. I never did locate two members. The widow of the co-pilot was at the reunion also.

On Sunday, September 6, after our breakfast a church service was held. The service was held by our Chaplain, JoAnn Bock, our co-pilot's widow, played the piano. The 91st Psalm was read by the group. This was the Air Force Song during WWII. Also a man played the bagpipes.

After the church service, we had our Squadron meetings and our Squadron pictures made.

Sunday evening, our banquet and dance began at 6:30 p.m. As we were going to the banquet room, we had our individual picture made. These will be used in our annual picture book.

At the banquet, for the last several years, we have honored the couples who are celebrating 50 years of mar-

riage. This year, as an added attraction, we had a family group (our radio operator, his wife, and five kids) who had over one hundred years total of married life. They were asked to stand for a round of applause. I thought this was an interesting side light.

After the banquet we had several people come to our room for a farewell bull session. The young couple from Minneapolis, a young guy from Oklahoma, our engineer and his wife and Larry and Debra came. This lasted until about 2:00 a.m.

About these people - the couple from Minneapolis - Jan's father flew with us. He and her mother divorced when Jan was very young. It has just been the last few years that Jan has become interested in knowing what her father had been through during the war and since he has been dead for a number of years, she and her husband thought visiting our reunions and meeting and talking with some of us would be a good way for her to learn. The guy from Oklahoma had started attending our reunions with his father. After his father died a couple of years ago, he has continued attending our reunions. Then of course our engineer and his wife get together with us at each reunion. Larry and Debra are becoming regulars at our after hours deal. Larry is the guy who was a POW. Chuck, our radio operator, had his whole family at the reunion so he and his wife skipped our private party.

An interesting side light to our banquet - Marjoree sat by a lady whose father was a member of our outfit. He had died a couple of weeks before our reunion. The daughter had insisted that her mother come to the banquet. The mother lived in Minneapolis so she insisted that several of us come by her home on Monday morning as we were leaving for our trips home. She showed us his diary. His last entry was made the night of July 31, 1943, the night before we flew the low level raid to Ploesti, Romania oil refineries. As I read this, I was flooded with memories. The last of briefing, the restlessness of our last night, the apprehension. All that flood of memories was almost too much for me.

Back to the reunion. On Monday morning we had our Memorial breakfast. The usual speaker, the reading of the names of our people who had died since our last reunion, the playing of taps. As always this was a very emotional time for me. After our farewells we returned to our rooms to load our van for our journey home. After a visit at the home of our new

friend, we began our trip.

A few miles south of Minneapolis, at Faribault, we visited the Faribault Woolen Mill outlet store. They had all sorts of woolen clothing, blankets and such. Then a few miles further south we visited Cabela's. This is the largest sporting goods store in the world. The women weren't too interested in this stop, but I had been telling them all the way from Texas that we were going to stop there. I almost forgot, while in Faribault, I bought a case of Lean Pigs Eye Beer.

After leaving Cabela's we drove in to South Dakota. We drove to Yankton, which is just north of the Nebraska line, where we spent the night Monday, September 7.

On Tuesday morning, we resumed our journey southward through Nebraska and Kansas. We drove on to Ponca City, Oklahoma before we stopped for the night. This is where

Dora lived for forty odd years. She called and talked with some friends. Jean's niece, Kathy, lives there also. Jean called her and she and her husband, J.B., came to the restaurant and visited with us for a while.

Wednesday the 9th, we drove to Clarksville, Arkansas where we spent the night with Helen.

Thursday morning we left Helen's headed to Bogata. We arrived at Dora's in mid afternoon. After spending the night with Dora, we set out on the last leg of our trip home.

Jean and I arrived at the farm about five p.m. on Friday. The cows and cats seemed glad to see us. We certainly were glad to see them.

One thing that really impressed me about the trip was the amount of hay that we saw in northern Missouri, Iowa, Minnesota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas and Northern Oklahoma. After Jones County, this was quite a sight for me.



SGT. PINKY GRIFFIN and a buddy had their picture made in San Francisco, CA in 1943 while on leave. Pinky reflected of the photo, "that was the first and last time I ever saw a Jap."

Serving with the 97th

Melvin Jackson was attached to the 97th Infantry Division. His duties were to locate the mines and destroy them.

His wife, Mary, spent two months with him at Lompoc, Camp Cooke, CA and later on a week at Fort Leonardwood, MO. He was sent to Germany and was on the front line in Czechoslovakia. There they met the Russian Army and the war ended.

This Division returned to the states for a 30-day furlough, and Melvin then reported to Camp Lewis, WA with orders to go to Japan. Due to the "Point System", his name was called to report back to base. He had spent time on ship, thinking they would ship out. You were eligible for discharge if you had 62 points. The point system, points for combat and children made him eligible to be discharged.

These two years were not happy ones but we lived through them. He returned home and lived until December 28, 1988.

FIRST SERGEANT AND HIS BROOD



Typical of the scores of Christmas parties given by Yank units for the children of Italy during the holiday season is this merry gathering given by the 57th MP Detachment. 1st Sgt. William P. Swartz of Talco, Texas—who doesn't look like a first sergeant here—serves homeless tots, while a nun looks on.

(Staff Photo by Sgt. Grayson B. Tewksbury)

"All the parts of World War II weren't bad, my unit and I fed lots of hungry children in Italy," said Richard Swartz of Talco.

Always Listen to the Natives...

We were moving from Green Island, a tiny island just at the end of the Solomons. We were going back to Guadalcanal and then to New Guinea.

We landed on the sand beach of a place called Maffin Bay.

As I remember, we were on this sandy beach with all of our equipment, which consisted of many dollars worth of radio equipment. The reason I am kind of at a loss at what to write is because there are two stories in one in this article.

Now I come back 50 odd years and try to put all this together. Three or four months ago there was an article in the paper about a typhoon that came into Northeast New Guinea with a wall of water some 20 or 30 feet high and killed many natives. After some thinking, I remembered this was the same place we had landed back in 1944. Our camp was right on the same beach. We were in tents and there was about 300 of us. We began to settle down and get everything in order as you do when you make an invasion. We were to the "goof off" stage of the landing, not much to do but lay around waiting for more supplies.

The local natives would come up through our camp looking for a hand out and talk to us in their pigeon English. They told us the water would come into our tents and all along the beach at a certain time of the year. We all laughed and said "These Gooks don't know what they're talking about, that water can't come by

here." We would take our mattress covers and swim out to where the breakers were and use our covers to ride the waves back two or three hundred yards. We would take our mattress covers and wet them in the water and run along the beach to fill them with air and then we would be able to sit in the middle and ride the waves back in.

This was great fun and good recreation for all of us. We began to notice the waves were beginning to be a little higher each day. The water began to come all the way up to the edge of our tents and then into the tents. We all laughed and got up on our cots and tied our gear up in the tent, all the time thinking "what if those natives were right." All of our radio equipment was still on the beach and the powers that be began to start thinking about moving it inland. All that day, the water would come up a little higher. Had we paid attention to the natives, we would be well inland and safe from the water.

Then a giant wave came in and through our tents and over the radio equipment. Salt water and metal don't mix and our guns, radio equipment and all our supplies were now filled with salt water. We spent the next six weeks cleaning our equipment and moving inland.

As smart as we were, we learned our lesson. "Always listen to the natives, they've been here longer than you."

Sgt. Pinky Griffin

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