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By Nanalee Nichols

Yes, to those of you who have been so kind about asking...I'm back in the land of the living and even feel like a human again.

I am, however, a little confused, and so is every other person, critter and plant around. Come on, Mom Nature...is it spring or is it winter?

There has been a certain whimsy to the weather lately. First it was warm, then it was cold, then it was hot then it was bitter cold.

My daffodils and narcissus were a glorious carpet in their little bed, and every time I looked out the glass doors from the living room I smiled in delight. Then the thermometer began to plummet, and the little yellow and white flowers looked as if they were wrapping arms around themselves as they huddled and bent before the wind. By the next morning they were gone, withered and wrinkled as if their lifetime had been lived in hours instead of days...as indeed it had.

People planning on painting ended up having to stay inside, people planning on gardening decided that there were pressing matters (such as perhaps watching tv) to be done inside instead. People contemplating spring cleaning decided the wood pile needed reducing instead.

At least I wasn't as overly optimistic as a man I know (who shall remain nameless). This enthusiastic gentleman planted all his tomato plants outside. His radishes were coming up.

The night the cold front came in he was scurrying around looking for insulated cardboard boxes to place over the tomatoes. The boxes didn't help. He threatened to place an ad in our papers that read "Twenty-seven slightly used tomato plants...for sale CHEAP".

The redbuds and wild plums, apple and peach trees haven't been nipped by the cold...they were positively gnawed on!

Rose bushes and wheat, and all in between suffered from this latest cold spell.

As usual, only the lowly (but smart) boys' d arc tree kept it's tender green niblets of leaf inside, tucked safely away until real spring is here.

I don't know about you folks, but I'm ready for spring. Winter be gone, welcome sweet spring! and please, no more of these tempting little episodes of warm weather if they will be ended by temperatures in the 20 degree range...okay?

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## Interest in local races sparks heavy turnout in Lamar County

When state-wide voter turnout was low, Lamar County had a fairly high turnout, due to several hotly contested races, with 9,165 Democrats voting in the county and 720 Republicans voting. There no surprises in the presidential nominations as President Bill Clinton received 79 percent of the vote and Senator Bob Dole received 55 percent of the Republican vote. For U.S. Congress, Democrat Jo Ann Howard and Max Sandlin will be in a runoff while Senator Phil Gramm was the heavy favorite in the Republican slot.

Victor M. Morales was the surprise candidate of the night as he pulled the largest portion of votes state-wide in his bid for the Democrats candidate for U.S. Senate. At press time tied for the runoff slot against Morales was Jim Chapman and John Bryant. A vote recount may have to be held to determine who will be in that runoff.

There were two District Judge races

the first between incumbent 62nd District Judge Jim N. Thompson and Sybil Colson. Thompson ended up with 56 percent of the vote in the multiple county the position serves.

There were three contenders for the District 6 position, in Lamar County, Dean Loughmiller garnered 49 percent with 3,888 votes, Jim D. Lovett received 26 percent with 2,088 in the county and George Preston 24 percent with 1,954. Overall within the multiple county race the figures put Jim D. Lovett and Dean Loughmiller in the runoff also.

There were three bidders for the Lamar County Attorney's position, but Kerye Ashmore captured 56.8 percent of the vote receiving 4,547 votes to Mark Burtner's 24 percent (1,938 votes) and Gary Waite's 18 percent (1,510 votes). This means that Ashmore will not be in a runoff.

Lamar County Judge Chuck Superville received 72 percent with

5,670 votes against former County judge Brady Fisher. Fisher received 2,289.

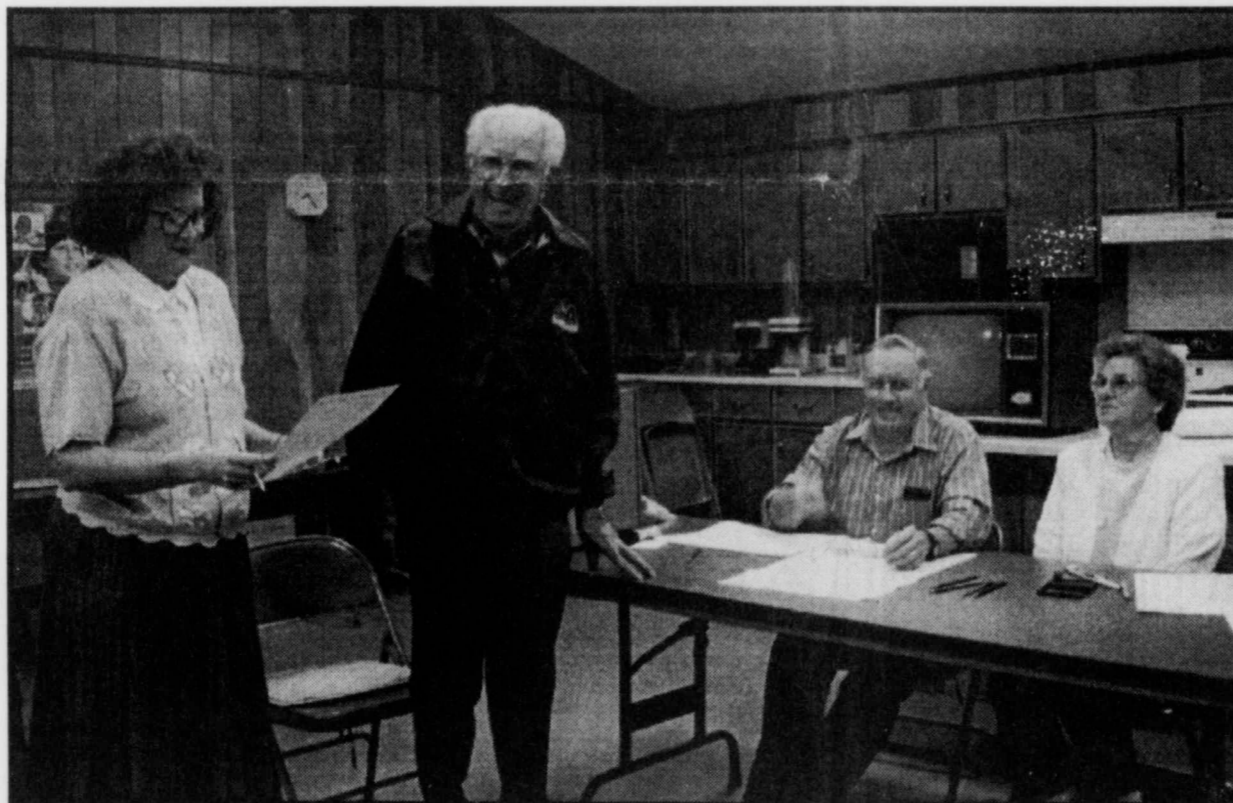
Lamar County Sheriff B.J. McCoy took a landslide victory over opponent Jerry Robbins with 73 percent of the vote. McCoy received 5,837 votes, Robbins 2,159.

Lamar County Tax Assessor/Collector Peggy Noble retained her office with a 62 percent margin over challenger Nicki Fendley Brown.

The Pct. 1 Commissioners race, another hotly contested race, ended with a runoff between incumbent Troy Owens and Mike Blackburn. Owens received 721 votes, Blackburn 671 and Johnnie Musgrove 586.

Pct. 1 Constable Randy Boren was returned with 568 votes to challenger Ronald Galanos' 359.

State Representative L.P. Patterson was uncontested in the Democratic primary, but still received the tribute of over six thousand votes.



LOOKING OVER THE BALLOT-Ruth Ann Allen inspects her ballot and election officials Gordon Isbell, Marlin Foster and Dorothy Renfro attend to the polls. Voter turnout in Lamar County was heavy on "Super Tuesday". (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)

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### Letters To The Editor

A letter to the voters within the city limits of Deport:

Deport is about to have an election for two council positions and the mayor. This is not a presidential or county primary...it is an election of city officials. The residents of this small community should be interested enough in their city government to WANT to take part in either by running for office or turning out for the election and voting.

Those few of us who are coaxed into running for a position are usually unopposed. They are elected to their position over and over. This is not necessarily because they are doing such a good job, but it is done because people tend to say "I wouldn't have the job! It's too much headache!"

We are usually re-elected to office by as few as 25-35 votes out of a community of over 800 people.

I can say that this really doesn't

make you feel good about being put back in office.

Council meetings are open to the public. They occur every 2nd Monday of the month at 7:00 P.M.. Please, don't just sit back, you are welcome to attend.

The next time you get ready to complain about something your officials did, or didn't do, or you think there is something they should or shouldn't do, ask yourself if you did anything about the situation except talk. Your city officials have begged people to sign up for office, with no results. Closing date for signing up in this year's election is March 20th. If you would like to I encourage you to sign up and to take part in your city government, if not by running for office at least by voting.

Nancy Gresham,  
Deport city council person

## Revival will begin March 24 at Cunningham

Pastor Chad Barnes of Cunningham Baptist Church is pleased to announce the arrival of Revival, beginning Sunday, March 24 through Wednesday, March 27.

Bro. Keith Nash from FBC Clarksville will be the evangelist bringing God's word and life-changing messages.

Special music is planned for every night.

After the Sunday 11:00 a.m. ser-

vices, a meal on the grounds will be enjoyed and then returning for the 6 p.m. service, that service will be committed to the "youth".

Monday 7p.m. services will be designated as "Pack a Pew" night, Tuesday will be "Family Night" and completing the final night of revival will be "Bring a Friend" night. Come and join in God's great revival.

For transportation or information, call 652-4909.

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EASTER BASKET-Cindy Allen and Tammy Currier stand behind this beautiful basket full of Easter goodies. A \$1 donation helps finance Deport annual Easter Egg Hunt, and you might also win this basket for some lucky child. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)

## City Council hears request for water line and fire hydrant

The main topic Monday night at the Deport City Council was the addition of new water lines and fire plugs.

The council heard an appeal from city resident Ruth Skaggs to lay a new six inch water line and fire hydrant on Clarksdale Street in Deport. Skaggs and other residents on Clarksdale street are faced with higher insurance rates because of there being no fire plug within 500 feet of their residences, she said. The council agreed to obtain an engineering plan and work proposal get an idea on how much such a project

would cost.

They also agreed to obtain a proposal for a new 6 inch water line on the Milton-Minter Road.

The council decided not to apply for a grant in 1996 because it has a penalty of 20 points because of grants that have already been received, reducing their chances of obtaining a grant this year.

They agreed that after skipping 1996 they would apply again in 1997.

The upcoming chili Cookoff and Easter Egg Hunt was discussed.

The bills were paid and minutes from the last meeting were approved.

## Extension of contracts subject of Prairiland board meeting

The Prairiland ISD school board met in regular session at 7:30 Monday night, March 11.

It was decided to cast 7 votes for Grady Wright and 7 votes for Paul F. Allen for Region VIII Education Service Center Board of Directors.

The board went into executive session at 7:55 P.M.. and came out at 10:20 P.M.

Motion was made, seconded and passed to extend contracts through June, 1997 of all teachers at the Blossom, Deport and High School campuses.

Contracts dealing with dual/contract Coaches/teachers were as follows: Coach Borden's contract was extended through June, 1997; Coach Hatcher's contract extended through June, 1997; Coach Weddle's contract through June 1997; Coach Slawson, contract extended through June, 1997; Coach Baker's extended through June, 1997; Coach Cole's contract extended

through June 1997; Coach Rick Connot, through June, 1997; Coach Sharon Connot, extended through June, 1997; Coach Martin's contract, extended through June of 1997; Coach Riddles, extended through June of 1997; Athletic Director and Coach Bill Scudder, extended through June, 1997; Coach Sessums, contract extended through June, 1997; Coach Stone's contract, extended through June of 1997. All of these were unanimous except for Coach Martin, where the vote was 4-3. Voting for were Roddy, Hunt, Downs and Patterson, against were Fendley, Bankhead and Jones.

The three ag teacher's contracts were extended through June of 1998.

The three counselors contracts were extended through June of 1997.

The Deport and Blossom Times was placed officially on the State Media Honor Roll.

The bills were paid and the financial statement for February heard. No action was taken on the Tax Report.

## Win an Easter Basket!

Almost everyone has a child they would love to see delighted at Easter time with a special Easter Basket full of "goodies". For only a \$1 donation to help fund the Deport Community Easter Egg Hunt folks can have a chance to win an Easter basket.

The donation tickets are available at City Drug Store and Deport City Hall, so stop by and get one now.

## Deport Legion to hold meeting next Thursday

The Deport American Legion will hold a meeting on Thursday, March 15 at 7:30 p.m. All members are urged to attend and discuss the upcoming Chili Cookoff.

## Chili Cookoff Is Fast Approaching

The 7th Annual Deport American Legion along with the Deport Baseball Association Chili and Bean Cookoff is rapidly approaching.

The first event will be on Friday, night, April 5th at the American Legion Hall at 5:30. This will be a supper and beginning at 7:30 P.M., there will be an auction.

The Saturday schedule will be as follows: Games for the children, including train rides, basketball tosses, fish pond, duck races, bed races and

much more. A concession stand will provide a variety of foods. Arts and Crafts booths are welcome, there is plenty of room for all. This will be a C.A.S.I. (Chili Appreciation Society International) sanctioned Cookoff and local cooks will also be competing in the Cookoff. Fire Departments are urged to compete. Who knows, you may be a champion chili or bean cook! Entry fee is \$15 for Chili and \$5 for beans. This can be paid on Saturday morning on site. Come on out and have fun and help raise money for worthy causes.

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# Obituaries

## H.W. McKinney Dies March 8

H.W. (Junior) McKinney, age 67 of Rosalie, died Saturday, March 8 in a house fire at his residence.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Monday, March 11 in Cuthand Cemetery with Rev. Bob Bush officiating. Burial was in Cuthand Cemetery under the direction of Wood Funeral Home.

Mr. McKinney was born December 7, 1928 in Cuthand, the son of Henderson Wince and Oma Haley McKinney. He was a retired gas attendant.

He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Oma McKinney of Bogata; three brothers, Billy and Ed McKinney, both of Amarillo and Roger D. McKinney of Commerce; two sisters, Ercell Gooding of Sugarland and Polly Luke of Amarillo; and a number of nieces and nephews. Bearers were Robert Lewis, Jim Smith, Fred Weisinger, Woody Duffee, Dale House and Billy Don Black.

## Richard Simpson Dies February 29

Richard (Dick) Simpson, age 72 of Hugo, Ok died Thursday, February 29 at his home southeast of Hugo.

Services were held Saturday at 11 a.m. on March 2 at Shoals Baptist Church with burial in Shoals Springs Cemetery with Bro. Dale Tarp officiating.

He was born July 25, 1923 in Post Oak, a son of John and Claytie Hardin Simpson. He married Dovie Jean Nation in DeQueen, AR.

Surviving are his wife; two sons; three daughters; four brothers, James and Robert of Paris, Chester of Amarillo and Luther Dale of Ft. Worth and three sisters, Paulette Lee of Hugo and Helena McCain of Detroit and Cleta Mae Pryor of Decatur; 15 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

## Kenneth "Bud" Whitley Dies March 9

Kenneth Clay "Bud" Whitley, age 56 of Blossom died Saturday, March 9 at East Texas Medical Center in Tyler.

Services were held at 1 a.m. Monday, March 11 at Bright-Holland Funeral Home with the Rev. A.B. Kellam and Dr. Wilbur Simmons officiating. Burial was in Knights of Honor Cemetery in Blossom.

Mr. Whitley was born February 26, 1940 in Lamar County, a son of Nip and Reba Edmonson Whitley. He married Biddie Prewitt October 26, 1968 in Dimple. He was a gravedigger and had worked with Graveside Services since 1970. He was an avid lover of nature and loved to hunt, fish and work.

Surviving are his wife; one son, Kevin Kent Whitley of Blossom; his parents who live in Blossom; a sister and her spouse, Ella and Lester Johnson of Detroit; three sisters-in-law and two brothers-in-law, Marnell and William Upchurch of Garland, Carrie and W.C. Cole of Dimple and Iva Boyd of Lewisville; 15 nieces and nephews and their families and a lost of family and friends. He was preceded in death by a brother, Calvin Whitley in 1969 and his mother-in-law, Iva Prewitt Finley on April 6, 1994.

Bearers were Shiney Fortner, Earl Maxfield, Corky Whitley, Norris Farris, Jerry Whitley and Johnny Maynard. Honorary bearers were Lawrence Whitley, Jim Beckett, Danny Bradford, Pat Williams, David Rapp and Billy Wayne Farris.

Memorials may be made to the Knights of Honor Cemetery in Blossom.

## T.S. Fuller dies at age 65 in Breckenridge

T.S. Fuller, age 65, died in a Breckenridge hospital Friday, February 23rd.

Services were held at 2:30 P.M. Sunday in Breckenridge First Baptist Church with the Rev. Cecil Harper, D. H.K. Neeley Jr. and Carl Everette officiating. Burial was in Necessity Cemetery, directed by Morehart Mortuary.

Mr. Fuller was born in Corsicana and graduated from Talco high school in 1948. He served on board the U.S.S. Cobbler with the U.S. Navy and married Jo Nelle Haynes in 1950 in Talco. He moved to Natchez, Mississippi in 1951 where he started working for Halliburton Services. He lived in Wichita Falls, Albany and El Campo before moving to Breckenridge in 1979. He retired as district superintendent from Halliburton in 1979 and then started his own company, T.S. Fuller Acid Engineering. He retired again in 1992 because of failing health.

He was past president of the Breckenridge Rotary Club and was a two-time deacon chairman at First Baptist Church. He was a deacon at the church since 1984 and taught the Roustabout Sunday School Class for six years.

Survivors include his wife of Breckenridge, three sons, Michael T. Fuller of Colorado City and Gary Lynn Fuller and Keith N. Fuller, both of Breckenridge; three daughters, Denise Smalley, Jeanene Chapman and Lesa Russell all of Breckenridge, one brother; R.T. Fuller, Junior of La Marque, two sisters; Ruenette Graham of Longview and Martha Lee Gibson of Winnsboro and 12 grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to favorite charity.

## Vesta Patterson Dies March 4

Vesta Patterson of Bells, formerly of Detroit and the Midway community, died March 4.

Services were held March 7 at the Mullican-Little Funeral Home in Bells with the Rev. Barry Barnett, pastor of the First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was in Union Grove Cemetery in Reno.

Mrs. Patterson was preceded in death by her husband, Rudy Patterson, a son, Terry Patterson and a daughter, Virginia Grubbs. She is survived by two daughters, Laverna Edmiston of Denison and Rudine Langner of Bells; four sisters, Iva Jones of Amarillo, Leota Delano of Gruver, Pauline Powell of Lubbock and Zella Smith of Bella Vista, AR; five grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Grayson County Home Hospice, P.O. Box 2306 Sherman, TX or the First Baptist Church in Bells.

## Emmitt C. Bailey Dies March 9

Emmitt Clifton Bailey, age 88 of Cedar Hill, formerly of Lamar County, died March 9.

Funeral services were held at 10:00 a.m. Monday, March 11 in Cedar Ridge Evangelical Methodist Church in Duncanville. Graveside services were at 3:00 p.m. Monday in Highland Cemetery in Deport under the direction of Wood Funeral Home.

Survivors include his wife, Dora Bailey of Cedar Hill; one son, Melvin L. Bailey of Farmers Branch; six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

### Card of Thanks

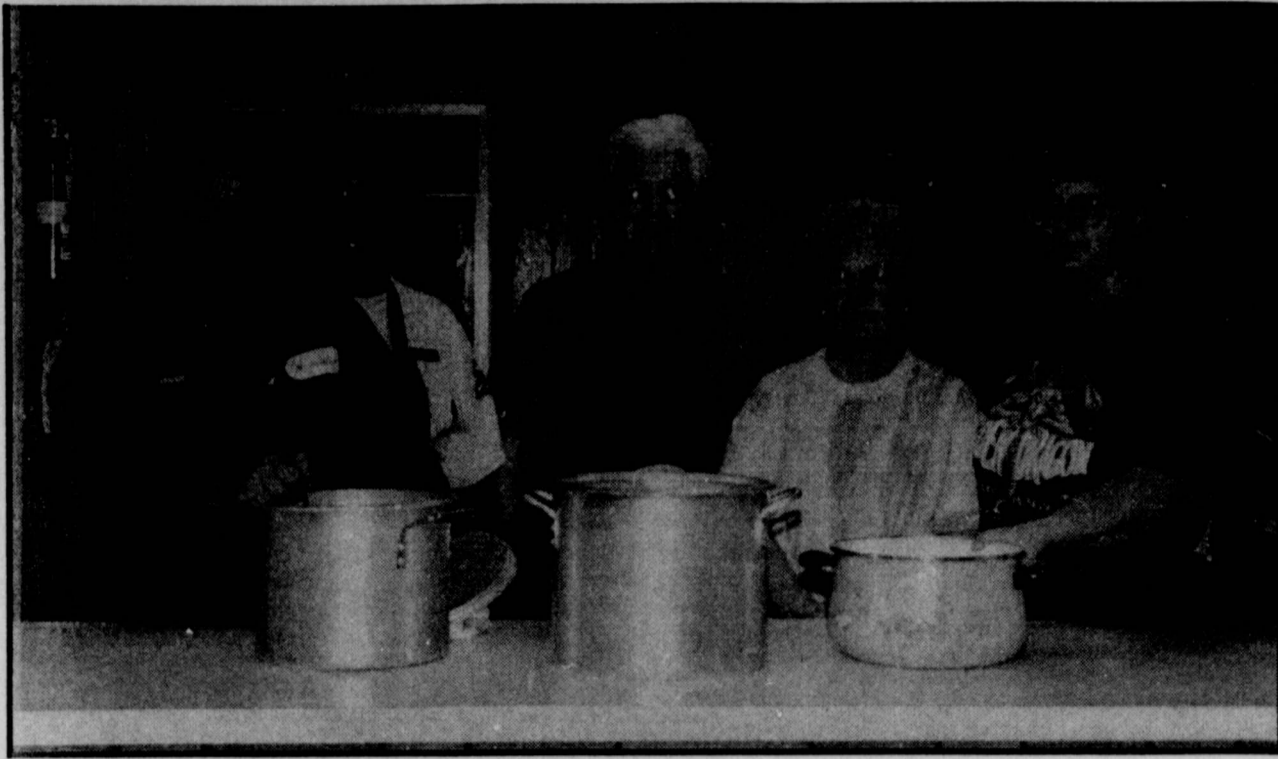
We would like to extend our many thanks to all of you who were there for us during the loss of our dear loved one, John H. Weatherall. The flowers, food, calls, visits and most of all the many prayers meant so much to us. We would like to say a special thanks to Bro. Connell and Bro. White for the very touching words they brought to us during the service. Also we would like to thank Jimmy Sue Simmons, Jerry and Barbara Russell, the church choir and Lon Bates for the beautiful music. God's creations are many and we are so thankful that he created friends such as you.

**Elsie Weatherall  
J.O. & Becky Weatherall  
Roger & Joan Weatherall  
All the Grandchildren**

### Card of Thanks

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to family and friends for the prayers, visits, flowers, cards, calls and other acts of kindness expressed during my recent operation and stay in the hospital and since my convalescence at home.

May God Bless All of You,  
A.G. (Jeff) Puckett



**COOK'S OF THE WEEK** are area residents from Deport who prepared chili or stew for the Deport Volunteer Fire department's annual fund raiser. The department uses this fund raiser to replenish supplies and maintain equipment. Pictured left to right is Donny Darden, Marilyn Glover, Ruth Scaggs, Ruth Whittle and Nanalee Nichols. (Staff Photo)



**COOK'S OF THE WEEK** preparing chili and stew for the Deport Volunteer Fire Department's annual chili supper is pictured left to right Susan Short, Sue Sheppard and Tammy Currier. (Staff Photo)

### Thursday, March 14, 1996 Deport Volunteer Fire Cooks

#### Nanalee's Chili Supper

**Concoction**  
6 pounds ground chuck-browned with finely chopped onion  
several tablespoons of garlic salt  
Pendry's Chili Seasoning (available in their stores or by catalog)  
1 tablespoon "Texas Gunpowder" jalapeno powder  
1 teaspoon black pepper  
1 tablespoon seasoned salt  
1 teaspoon seasoned pepper  
1 large can tomato juice  
1 tablespoon flour  
water

Add Pendry's Chili Seasoning and add jalapeno powder, black pepper, seasoned salt, seasoned pepper and tomato juice. Add flour and stir and simmer. Add enough water to desired consistency and simmer for 1 hour. Turn off heat, let cool some and then begin cooking again.

#### Susan's Chili

**Susan Short**  
1/4 cup chopped onion  
2 pounds ground chuck  
4 tablespoons chili powder  
1 teaspoon cumin  
3 tablespoon flour  
1 tablespoon cayenne pepper  
1 tablespoon sugar  
salt and pepper to taste  
10 ounce can Ro-tel  
8 ounce can tomato paste  
8 ounce can water

Brown onion and ground beef. Drain off grease, if any, except for 1 tablespoon. Add flour, turn down heat and cook for about 3 minutes. Add seasonings and water. Simmer for 30 minutes to 1 hour.

#### Tammy's Stew

1 pound hamburger meat  
1 package frozen mixed vegetables  
onion  
1 package frozen corn  
3 cans tomato sauce  
salt  
pepper  
garlic salt

Brown meat and pour off grease; mix meat with onion in water and cook 10 minutes; add corn, tomato sauce, salt, pepper, garlic salt and simmer for 2 hours.

#### Donny's Chili

**Donny Darden**  
2 pounds ground round  
1 package William's Seasoning Mix  
large tomato sauce  
Bodacious Barbeque sauce  
Brown ground round and drain.  
Add chili mix, tomato sauce and "enough" barbeque" sauce to add taste. Simmer.

#### Ruth Whittle

**Vegetable Soup**  
In a large stock pot,  
1 qt. diced celery  
1 qt. diced onions  
Cover with water and cook until tender.  
Add 1 qt. tomatoes (home canned)  
1/2 cup Picante sauce  
1/2 cup ketchup  
1/4 cup parsley flakes  
salt & pepper to taste  
1 qt. corn or 2 cans  
1 can English peas  
1 qt. diced potatoes

If not juicy enough, add a little water. Cover and simmer until potatoes are done. For flavor, add a basil leaf or other spices.

## Fulbright Community stew supper is a huge success

The stew supper held at the Community Center on Saturday evening was a huge success. Visitors from Paris, Clarksville, Bogata, Deport, Hoovertown and Tigertown were present for the evening.

Everyone enjoyed the evening and looks forward to seeing everyone again in the future.

### Card of Thanks

To all who called, came by, brought food or prayed for me before, during and after my surgery, I thank you. Friends are hard to come by today and I just couldn't make it without you.

Thanks again,  
**Chad Barnes**

### Card Of Thanks

**Jettie Bond** wants to thank all the friends, family, Dr. Muthappa and staff for the prayers, calls, cards, flowers and visits while she was in the hospital.

### Card of Thanks

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who supported the benefit for Jim Smith held on Sunday at the Bogata Rodeo Arena. Over 700 people attended and lent their support either through their donations of baked goods, their energy in helping with the events, or just being there.

Your thoughtfulness and concern will long be remembered.  
**The Smith Family**



## Fulbright News

By Betty Rodgers  
652-6051

Mrs. Kyle King of Reno spent Friday morning with Jimmie King. She came back Saturday and her daughters, Nicky and Shelly, to help prepare for the stew supper.

Betty Rodgers visited Marlaine Bolin on Friday evening and Jodi and Dee Newberry Sunday afternoon in Shady Grove.


Kay Osburn and Harriet Williams came to church with Jimmie King and had lunch Sunday. That afternoon they went to see "Brigadoon" at the Paris Community Theatre.

Marla and Preston Crump visited Leon and Fannie Lamb of Detroit. The school children are out for spring break this week.

Mrs. Ethel Epps was a visitor of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Epps of Rosalie Thursday.

Tommy and Don Crump of Frankston visited their parents, Marla and Preston Crump Sunday.

Monte and Shelley Rodgers of Tigertown visited Betty Rodgers Saturday evening and attended the stew



## Cook's Corner

Fire Department Handles  
The Heat...In Chili!

This weeks Cook's Corner are a group of cooks from the Deport area. Recently they held one of their major fund raiser for the year sponsored by the Deport Volunteer Fire Department. Several area residents volunteered their services to cook for the event. Needless to say their was a wide variety for everyone's taste.

Nanalee Nichols, our Commander-in-Chief here at the paper gave us her recipe for her chili. Along with her newspaper work, she enjoys her cats and dogs and other "varmits" and really enjoys traveling.

Tammy Currier shares her recipe for Stew and she works at the City Drug in Deport, enjoys bowling and fishing and she and her son Anthonie live in Deport.

Donny Darden was the male cook for the bunch and he gives us his recipe for Chili. Donny is works at Metal Mart in Paris, he is married to Dawne and they have a son David.

Marilyn Glover is a pharmacist at the City Drug Store and currently

serves as Assistant Fire Marshall in the fire department.

Sue Sheppard works with her husband Eddie at Eddie's Auto Service and just this week became a brand new grandmother!

Susan Short is also an employee here at the paper and works on printing pictures. She is married to Jim Short, who is a fireman and also helps him in their grocery store in Deport.

Ruth Skaggs works in Paris for North American Phillips. In addition to being an excellent chili cook, she has excellent dishes such as her Sesame Chicken.

Ruth Whittle is employed at City Drug Store and has always been a big supporter of the Deport Fire Department.

The city of Deport should be proud to have great supporters like these in their area. Small towns rely a lot on their volunteers for support and dependability. Great job, people!

See you in the kitchen!

### Red River County Water Supply Corporation Extension Update

"The wheels of progress turn ever so slow."

Whoever wrote this statement originally, must have been trying to put in a water extension.

The management and the Board of Directors want to express their appreciation for the patience exhibited by everyone involved in this project. It seems everything has taken much too long.

We started this project in late 1993. It will extend our water service to approximately 170 new customers that are being served now by shallow wells, or in some instances stock tanks.

We have been in constant contact with our lender and have been diligent in providing all the information required.

This project involves nearly three million dollars and adds approximately ninety-five (95) miles of pipe line to our existing system. This necessitates acquiring ninety-five (95) miles of easements.

We have suffered through a change of power as the Democrats were in majority when this project started. Additionally, the FmHA was changed to the RECD and many of the FmHA offices were closed.

My coordinate in Mt. Pleasant with RECD now has ten times the area he had when this project started. In spite of all these setbacks we remain optimistic and hopeful that we will be able to provide water service now and in the future to anyone in rural Red River County at a reasonable cost.

The tank locations, well locations, pump station properties and all the easements have been secured by either "purchase" or "options to purchase". We see nothing in front of us to prevent the completion of this project. We are a non-profit organization and building a larger system only means more opportunities. The long term goal for this cooperation is to provide water to everyone in Red River County that doesn't live in an incorporated City Limits.

Again, we apologize for the time lag, but we honestly feel we have done everything in a timely manner.

Sincerely,  
**Red River County WSC**  
John L. Ragsdill, General Manager



**Cunningham News**  
By Jane O'Neal 652-6062

The kids, teachers and employees of the school are enjoying a week of spring break this week.

Suzie Norwood returned after a two week visit with her cousin who is ill in a Lubbock hospital.

Almer and Alma Norwood had supper Thursday night for Talma and Suzie Norwood, Conard Norwood, Geneva Norwood, Jay and Colton Ingram.

John, Dana, Ericka, Tori and Chance White of Carthage visited Almer and Alma Norwood Saturday night.

Spending the weekend with Charles and Cindy Nichols were; John, Dana, Ericka, Tori and Chance White of Carthage.

Attending the State Boys High School Finals Basketball Tournament were; Billy Ray, Neva and Brandon Oats, Amber and Spur Norwood, Edd, Sandra and Burke Burnett, James and Pat Norwood, Buddy Taylor, Leslie, Paula, Justin and Jennifer Taylor, Christi Callihan, Clyde, Gerrie and Chance Bankhead.

Jane O'Neal and Geneva Norwood were in Sulphur Springs on Saturday shopping. They had lunch at TaMolly's.

Geneva Norwood had Sunday lunch for Frankie, Julie, Logan, Layton and Caleb Norwood, Scottie and Treda Norwood. They were joined for supper by Billy Ray, Neva and Brandon Oats and Amber and Spur Norwood.

Scott and Treda Norwood spent Friday night in Atoka, Oklahoma where Scott entered a coon hunt.

Frankie and Julie Norwood took Joe and Rhonda out to dinner on Saturday night at the Carson House Inn and Grill at Pittsburg.

Deana and Brooklyn Legate, Dillon Gibson and Marie Watson spent a

few days in Hondo visiting Dean Watson.

Bobby Ray and Shelby Kennedy had Sunday lunch for Jeff, Cindy, Zack, Garrett and Taylor Kennedy, melba Baker and Scooter Bills.

On Monday Mr. and Mrs. Norman Sain visited in Talco and had lunch with Ollie Ruth Guthrie. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. George Green and Frances and D.C. Thomas of Jothtown.

Carl Buford and Ollie Ruth Guthrie of Talco visited Mr. and Mrs. Norman Sain on Thursday and Ollie Ruth stayed to spend the weekend.

Larry Bell visited Mr. and Mrs. Norman Sain on Sunday afternoon.

Andrew Bazhaw, Joyce and Haley Yazell of Gilmer visited Sue and Lorette Pynes on Sunday afternoon.

Buddy and Vergie Pynes had supper on Sunday evening with Loretta and Sue Pynes.

Leonard and Billie Ford met Joyce Yazell and Andrew Bazhaw of Gilmer in Mt. Pleasant where Andrew came on home with them to spend the weekend. Joyce and Haley Yazell came on Sunday to pick Andrew up.

Lillian King is spending the week with Leonard and Billie Ford.

Kay Lynn Ford is in Breckenridge, Colorado on a skiing trip with Mike, Debbie and Shelly McEntire and Luke Luttrell.

Ryan, Marissa and Tracy Kendall visited Leonard and Billie Ford on Saturday afternoon.

Tommy and Shirlene Owens of Rosalie are spending the week with relatives in Las Vegas.

Life Tabernacle Church will host a fifth Sunday singing on March 31 at 6:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**Prairiland taking survey for pre-kindergarten**

Prairiland I.S.D. is making a survey of four-year old children (child must be four years of age by September 1, 1996), who reside in the Prairiland ISD to determine the need for a Pre-Kindergarten class in the 1996-97 school year.

If this class makes, it would run from 8:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. each day. The children could ride the bus to school in the mornings, but the parents would have to pick them up at 11:30 a.m. The breakfast program would be available to children but they would not be eligible to eat lunch at school.

Children may qualify for the Pre-K class by meeting any one of the following requirements:

Income: Children from households eligible for the Free-Reduced lunch program.

Language: A language other than English must be spoken in the home.

In order for the district to have the Pre-K class, there must be a minimum of 15 students qualify.

Please fill out the statement below and return it to the Prairiland Administration Office or the Principal's Office at Blossom or Deport by March 29, 1996.

**Prairiland I.S.D.**

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: M \_\_\_\_\_ F \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_



**VETERAN REMEMBERED**-Leonard D. Reynolds, a resident at Bonham VA Hospital was presented with a "Hug", a balloon and a Valentine by Paula Guston, VFW Auxiliary 3990 volunteer.

**Prairiland High School Honor Roll**  
4th Six Weeks

- All A's**
- Kortnie Barrentine, Rachel Birch, Lee Bland, Jasper Clarkson, Steven Flatt, Jeremy Fox, Stacy Harrison, Allen Johnson, Jeff Lee, Amber McQuatters, Gina Moreland, Michael Murphy, Hilary Novak, Yuichiro Omori, Brad Osborne, Kane Peek, Breah Sessums, Le Ann Vickers, Ambrye Whitley.
- A's and B's**
- Cliff Adams, Dustin Allen, Zachary Allen, Jill Anderson, Kerri Anderson, Christina Ballard, Stacy Bangs, Quaylon Battle, Brent Bostic, Kay Bowling, Jason Bramlett, Amy Bryan, Brad Carroll, Valarie Chapman, Beth Crites, Jeemy Day, Teneka Dickerson, Spencer Eppler, David Ford, Kim Gibson, Fair Shea Gifford, Trey Gifford, Jessica Gnerer.

A poet begins in delight and ends in wisdom. —Robert Fro

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Look for the ridiculous in everything and you will find it. —Jules Renard

**Births**

*Ty Edward* is the name given to the son born March 11 at 4:18 a.m. to Robert and Tina Clinkenbeard of Paris. He weighed 7 lbs., 6 ozs. and was 20 inches long.

Grandparents are Bill and Glenna Clinkenbeard of Powderly and Eddie and Sue Sheppard of Minter.

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THE DAIRY SHOW TEAM from Blossom Prairie 4-H enjoyed the Honey Grove FFA and 4-H Project Show on Saturday, March 9. The team did very well and enjoyed the day. Members are left to right Wyatt Vickers, Chastity Nation, Carly Scott, Ashley Moffitt and Christy Campsey. Not pictured is Matt Moffitt. (Staff Photo)

For every credibility gap there is a gullibility fill.

—Richard Clopton

**FLBA of Paris reduces stock requirement**

The Federal Land Bank Association of Paris is returning more than \$825,000 in capital to association members this month. The distribution comes as a result of the FLBA board of directors decision to lower the

stock requirement 20% on current loans. The association has also reduced its stock requirement on new loans to 4% of a borrower's original balance. Previously, borrowers were required to purchase 5% in stock.

The FLBA of Paris is a member-owned agricultural lending cooperative which provides long-term financing for agricultural real estate and rural residences. The association makes loans in Bowie, Camp, Cass, Delta, Lamar, Morris, Red River and Titus counties.

Board members are Chairman Bruce Duncan, Avery; Vice-chairman James Pickering, Texarkana; Director at Large Billy Mashburn, Paris; and directors Wally Kraft, Paris, Buddy Rutherford, Roxton and Adran Justiss, Omaha.

**Small Business**

**Center to offer**

**skills video**

The Small Business Development Center at Paris Junior College will offer "Professional Supervision Skills" on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, March 26, 27 and 28 from 12 noon to 1:00 p.m. in Room 105 of the Alford Center, PJC.

In this three-part video presentation, you will learn how to avoid the five most common pitfalls of new supervisors, 10 techniques for managing your time and minimizing interruptions, how to interview for insights, specific techniques for handling reprimands and terminations, what really motivates people, the five stages of team development, plus much more.

To make reservations for this free seminar, contact the Small Business Development Center at 784-1802.

**PJC**

**cheerleading**

**corps filling up**

The ranks of the Paris Junior College cheerleading corps will soon be filled with new recruits, according to PJC cheerleading coach Angie Callihan.

Ms. Callihan is currently recruiting prospective students for the 1996-97 school year who are interested in trying out for the cheerleading corps. Students may receive full or partial scholarships based on their ability and financial need.

Tryouts will be held on Saturday and Sunday, April 13 and 14 in the PJC Hunt Center. The squad consists of males and females and members must meet certain requirements to make the squad.

For more information about this scholarship opportunity, call Ms. Callihan at (903)784-9403.

**Posters sought for YWCA Art Fair**

The Paris Art Fair, sponsored by the YWCA of Paris and Lamar County, is seeking entries for its 1996 poster contest, according to Priscilla Merriman, YWCA director.

Entries in watercolor, oil, pen and ink, mixed media and photography will be accepted through Friday, March 15, 1996 at the YWCA, 308 S. Main, Paris. Since the Art Fair will move back to the downtown Paris area this year, poster ideas which incorporate a theme of celebrating our heritage will be given preference.

The 1996 Paris Art Fair poster will be printed during April. For more information or to receive a current brochure, call the YWCA at 903-785-5221 or send inquiries to: YWCA, 308 S. Main, Paris, Texas, 75460.

**Women Work Harder**

Women work harder than men, at home and at their jobs, according to a new study by two University of California, Santa Barbara sociologists.

Analyzing data from a representative national survey conducted by the University of Michigan, William and Denise Bielby studied 1,515 working men and women and found that women give more time and attention to their jobs than men despite the fact that women also spend more than twice as much time on household tasks.

The Bielbys' study concludes: "For women to work harder than men, despite their greater household responsibilities, they must be able to draw on a reserve of energy that is either not available to the typical male or, more realistically, that men choose not to draw upon."

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- '94 GMC Conv. Suburban-White
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- '94 Dodge 3/4 Conv. Van-Blue
- '94 Chevy Ext. Cab-Maroon
- '94 Chevy Ext. Cab-Green
- '94 Chevy Silverado-Red
- '94 Chevy Ext. Cab 4x4-White
- '94 Chevy Astro Van-Tan
- '94 Chevy Crew Cab-Teal
- '94 Jeep Grand Cherokee-White
- '94 S-10 Blazer 4 Dr.-Red
- '94 Mazda Ext. Cab-Green
- '94 Jeep Grand Cherokee-Green
- '94 Chevy Customized Travel Time 1/2 t. ext. cab-Taup
- '94 Chevy Ext. Cab-White
- '93 Ford 3/4 T. XL Ext. Cab-White
- '93 Chevy Ext. Cab-Maroon
- '93 Chevy Ext. Cab-White
- '2-'93 Chevy Ext. Cabs-White
- '93 Chevy Silverado-White
- '93 Nissan Truck-Maroon
- '93 Chevy Ext. Cab-White
- '93 Chevy Conv.-White
- '93 Chevy Silverado-Red
- '93 Chevy 3/4 Ton Reg. Cab-White
- '93 Chevy Sportside-White
- '93 Chevy 3/4 Ton Reg. Cab Blue/Gray
- '93 Chevy 1/2 Ton 4x4 Z-71-Red/Tan
- '93 Dodge Ext. Cab 1 T. Dually, Cummings Diesel
- '92 Chevy Sportside-Black
- '92 Chevy Silverado-Maroon
- '92 Chevy Conv. Van-White
- '92 Chevy Silverado-Teal
- '92 Chevy Silverado-Maroon
- '92 Chevy Drew Cab Dually
- '92 Chevy Gladiator Conv. Van-Blue
- '92 Chevy Silverado Sportside-Black
- '90 Ford Ext. Cab-Red
- '90 Chevy Sportside-Maroon
- '90 Dodge 1/2 t. 4x4-Grey
- '85 GMC 3/4 Ton 4x4 P/W, one owner-Red
- '81 Jeep CJ7-Brown

**PRE OWNED CARS**

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- '95 Pontiac Sunfire-Blue
- '95 Geo Tracker-Black
- '95 Pontiac Grand Am-Green
- '94 Oldsmobile Ciera-White
- '94 Ford Escort Wagon-Green, 15,000 miles
- '94 Geo Metro-Green
- '93 Chevy Beretta-Teal
- '90 Cadillac Sedan Deville-Blue
- '91 Olds Cutlass Supreme-Blue
- '88 Chevy Corsica-Blue
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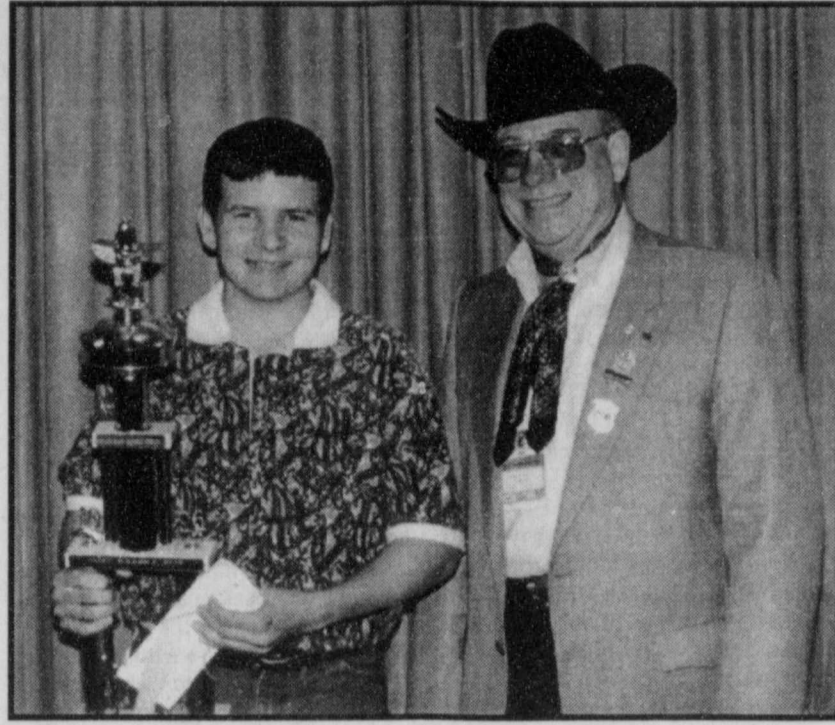
Whereas, in each community, the public schools are shaped by that community to provide the most appropriate and most effective education for the school children who attend those schools; and

Whereas, public schools are dependent on the community's support in countless ways, including support in setting goals for the education of our children, in establishing successful volunteer and booster programs at the schools, for annual funding of operations, in periodic bond elections, in the election of qualified school board members; and

Whereas, much of the community's knowledge and opinions about the public schools rely on responsible reporting by local media representatives who decide which news to share with the community, how much attention will be focused in various issues and what the tone of the reporting will be; and

Whereas, some communities have suffered immeasurable harm due to the wrong impressions promoted by irresponsible reporting, NOW BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Prairiland I.S.D. place the name of "The Deport/Blossom Times" on the statewide Media Honor Roll, calling attention to the ongoing responsible and exemplary nature of reporting on this community's public schools. We express our appreciation for your balanced and accurate approach to sharing with the community both the challenges facing our schools and the successes achieved by the teachers and students. Your work has aided this community in focusing on the goal of providing the best public schools we can for the children who attend them.

Dr. L. C. Stout, Superintendent  
Johnny Patterson, Board President



WYATT VICKERS, 4-H student at Prairiland High School, competed for 65 awards presented at the 1996 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Dairy Scramble Banquet held March 2. Wyatt was recognized and received the following awards: 4th Place Photograph, donated by George C. Arnold, Jr., and 3rd place Ring Showmanship. As a calf scramble or dairy winner at the 1995 Houston show, Wyatt was able to purchase a registered dairy heifer with a certificate donated by Toshiba International Corp. Wyatt is pictured with George C. Arnold, Jr., donor.

**Patriots take consolation**

The Prairiland Patriot Baseball Team played in the Sonic Invitational Tournament this past weekend in Paris starting on Friday against the Mt. Vernon Tigers. The Pats would come up short losing 5-4 in a hard fought game. Highlighted by a Zach Allen RBI triple in the first while trailing (3-0). The Pats would score two more in the third off RBI singles by David Ford and Jeremy Day. Day would go the distance on the mound striking out six and only giving up three hits. Day also would lead the hitting going 2-3. Allen (triple), Micheal Murphy, Quinn Sessums and Ford each had singles.

In the second game on Saturday morning, The Pats would play the Greenville Lions and come up with the win (5-4). They would take the Lions into extra innings and score four runs to break the tie. Highlighted by a Ford RBI (double) and a Chris Malone (triple), the Patriot de-

fense would end the game for the win.

Mike Yaross went the distance on the mound striking out three, walking one and allowing only three hits. Murphy would lead the hitting, going 2-3 with his bat. Also getting hits were Day and Rhett Fendley, both singles.

The Pats would earn their way to the consolation game against Sulphur Springs Wildcats and battle to the end and escape with the victory and the trophy (5-4). Highlighted by a Malone double and triple and an Allen double. The Pats would lead the entire game with Jeremy Little starting out two and walking two and giving up only three hits. Cass Titsworth would come in relief and seal the victory.

Leading hitters were Malone (2-3), Yaross (2-3), Allen (2B) and Murphy added a single. Great job Pats!

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Tomorrow is the most important thing in life. Comes into us at midnight very clean. It's perfect when it arrives and puts itself in our hands. It hopes we've learned something from yesterday.

—John Wayne

**ETSU honor rolls announced for fall semester**

East Texas State University has announced its President's Honor Roll and Dean's Lists for the 1995 fall semester.

To be eligible for the President's Honor Roll, a student must earn a straight A or 4.0 grade point average on a minimum of 12 hours. Dean's List students must post a minimum of a 3.25 grade point average on at least 12 semester hours.

The students who have been named to the honor rolls are listed below according to hometowns:

**Bagwell:** Dean's List-Meko M. Miller

**Blossom:** Honor Roll-Donna G. Mashburn, Trevor L. Upchurch;

Dean's List-Marsha A. Madewell, Joe D. Moore, Tonya R. Roddy

**Bogata:** Honor Roll-Regina A. Easley, Teri N. Hudgens; Dean's List- Amy L. Allison, Rebecca F. Alsup, Charles B. Branch, Russell E. Dodd, Anna L. Lozoya Castro, William A. Speir.

**Deport:** Honor Roll-Connie E. Basinger; Dean's List-Tracie A. Chipman, Pamela S. Norwood

**Detroit:** Honor Roll-Michael K. Blaton; Dean's List-Lessa N. Mankins, Henry A. Sharp, Becky J. Wilkins

**Pattonville:** Dean's List-Amie M. Osborne

**Talco:** Dean's List-Robin D. Sims

**GTE opens new toll free option**

A second option for toll-free calling begins March 1 with the introduction of 1-888 telephone numbers. The 888 telephone numbers will supplement existing toll-free 800 numbers and also will be free to the caller.

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### The Texarkana Gazette And Me

By Jack Dodd

The Year was 1939. I built a fire under the 1932 Dodge to thaw out the motor that I forgot to drain. There were 4 freezer plugs out, 2 on each side. After the motor thawed I wrapped rags around corn cobs to stop up the holes until I could drive to Bogata and get the freeze plugs glued back in. It was a cold winter, especially with no electricity or butane to help the fireplace.

I remember Mother would back up to the fireplace and raise her dress up to get warm and Daddy would always say, "Birt, put down your dress, the kids are present." It was my job to get up at 4 a.m. each morning since I was the oldest at 13. Build a fire in the cook stove and then one in the fireplace and we would go milk. At this time we milked from 12 to 16 good Jersey cows. I remember how warm it was to put your hands in the milk to warm them up. One old cow, Blackie, was a mean old Jersey. You couldn't drive her through a 40 foot gate but she could put her foot in a three gallon milk bucket twice a day.

It was while all this was happening out at Rosalie that there was a knocking on our front door one morning about 2 a.m. Dad and I got to the door about the same time. There stood a very cold young man. He said he was delivering papers from Texarkana to Paris and his car had thrown a fan blade and knocked a hole in the radiator. He wanted to call his boss in Texarkana to send someone to continue the Texarkana Gazette to Paris.

He came in, used the phone on the wall after Daddy woke Myrt up. The young man got his message to the boss and Dad said for him to crawl in bed and sleep until morning since it would take some time to come from

Texarkana. Oh No! "I gotta stay by them papers." Daddy gave him a quilt and told him to leave it over the mail box when he left. With that the young

man returned to his Ford auto with the leaky radiator.

From 2 until 4 is not a long time. After building fires, milking and dressing to catch the 7 a.m. bus to Bogata School I took the cows across the highway to the pasture. There say this young man, half frozen and still no help from Texarkana. I went back to the house and Mother fixed a tray of 6 biscuits, ham, 4 eggs, coffee, honey with lots of butter and I took this to the young man. I never saw anyone eat like that before or since. I took the tray back up to the house and went back to catch the bus. The car and young man and a whole back seat of Texarkana Gazettes were gone.

The next morning when I took the cows to the pasture, there by the side of the road was a Texarkana Gazette, also the next day and the next and so on.

After about 2 weeks of the Texarkana Gazette my dad told me to go down the next morning and stop the young man and tell him it was not necessary to throw a paper since he had to be paying for it. While I am sure he wasn't, but Daddy thought differently.

Have you ever tried to stop a black car at 2 a.m. going 60 miles per hour or so? It's there, the paper thrown and gone before you can get up off the cold ground. I tried this twice before Dad gave up. Anyway Daddy was a Dallas Morning News man. always had been and always was. Even when we moved to Texarkana in 1943 he still read the Dallas Morning News. We did leave the farm and move to Clarksville in 1942 and still we had not missed a day of the Texarkana Gazette in all this time.

I really don't know why I remember this all so clearly after over 50 years, but I do. There must be a meaning to all of this, maybe someday it will come to me.

### Prairiland Calendar of Events

Week of March 18, 1996

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18 ..... FFA Meeting  
 ..... JV baseball at Chisum, 4:00  
 ..... G Softball at N. Hopkins, 4:00  
 ..... Spring Sports Photos  
 ..... Boys Golf, Whitewright  
 19 ..... CIC, 7:30 a.m.  
 ..... Girls Golf, Whitewright  
 ..... V Baseball at North Lamar, 5:00  
 20 ..... Youth for Christ, 7:50 a.m., Library  
 22 ..... District Literary UIL Meet, PJC  
 ..... V Baseball vs. Valliant, Here, 4:00  
 23 ..... JV baseball at North Lamar, 11:00  
 ..... Drivers Ed, Cafeteria  
 ..... Track, Rivercrest

### Patriot Softball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
18	*North Hopkins	There	4:00
25	*Rivercrest (DH)	There	4:00
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Tuesday

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 Salad  
 Mexican beans  
 Dessert  
 Milk

Wednesday

Turkey with gravy  
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 Rolls  
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Thursday

Vegetable beef soup  
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## Deport Nursing Home News

By JaLynda Mitchell

Well, spring is in the air once more. Birds are everywhere, trees are blooming, and the grass is growing. We just need more rain.

Freddie Burden started our week off with Bible Study. Then, Robert Baugh came and entertained us through lunch with some good piano playing. Wednesday we played a mean game of Bean Bag with Jewel Smith and Johnnie Warren tying for first, Harold Norris 2nd and Terry McDowra third. Later that afternoon we went to Paris for a fun filled day of shopping and topped it off with a cold cherry limade. Thursday we made the bird happy by replenishing their feeders. Later we made ourselves happy with apple cake and punch to celebrate Johnny Applesseed Day. Friday Sam Campbell taught the Bible Study lesson with the faith and patience of "Job". We enjoyed a Bill and Floria Gather video that Fred and Barbara Biggerstaff provided to watch with popcorn. Saturday was a little sweeter with everyone having donuts and blueberry muffins. Sunday Sam Campbell brought the lesson for Sunday School while Rab, Tim, Tina, Ryan and Aron Skidmore provided the music. Monday we played bingo with several new volunteers since it is spring break. Billie Mazy, Nancy Murphy, Lila and Hali Screws, Minda Corso, Jamie Rowland and Danbri Mitchell helped out.

Maie Fletcher's visitors were Mike, Lila, Bren, Kara and Hali Screws, Denny Fletcher, Becky Proctor, Jeff Fletcher and Danbri Mitchell. Clarence Ham and Nina Hale were visited by Nell Shull and Nannie Bell Ham. Cecil Allen visited Marshall Dunigan. Inez Luttrell visited Mary Mathews. Visitors of Marlin and Sara Gilmer were Marline and Dewy Thomas, Weldon and Joyce Smith, Winfrey and Odessa, Sarena Owens, John Hall and Ted Phillips. Doris Norwood was visited by

Estelle Chesshire and Martha Glover. Lena Powell's visitors were Daniel, Jesse and Shelby Hart, Janie Martin, Joshua Smith and Sue Hart.

Bert and Cindy Filkins, Stephanie Wolf, Jessica Hutchings, Steve, Dina, Chris, Brent and Amanda Middleton, Johnnie Warren, Danbri Mitchell, Jo Wrenn, Angie and Lyn Wolf visited Betty Middleton.

Visiting David Geer were Cecil Allen, Alfred and Clyde Fanigo and Bill Geer.

Kathrine Maddux visited her husband Carl Maddux.

Sarah Denie visited Audie Reed and Dortha McDowra.

Don O'Deas visitors were Fed and Barbara Biggerstaff, Gene Thielman and Curley Dickerson.

Martin Stephens was visited by Geneva Stephens and Carolyn Nicholson.

Paula Sue Pervis visited her mother, Marietta Parsons.

Visitors of Johnnie Warren were Mike, Lila, Bren, Kara and Hali Screws, Chris and Jerrd Guerra, Phillip Roach, Dakota and Danbri Mitchell, Charlie Lawrence and Evelyn Roach.

Bonnie Johnson's visitors were Modene Lentz, Krisit Johnson, Robert Johnson, Bryan Kathy and Brookelynn Johnson, Misti and Noma Fields.

Annie Mazy was visited by Paul and Sara Mazy.

Betty Glasgow visited Edna Glasgow.

Lora Hulsey was visited by Gene and Wilma Hulsey. They also took her to the Community Theater to see her granddaughter perform.

George and Carol Newberry, Hettie Mae Bailey, Ed and Sandra Burnett, Linda Anderson, Jeremy Newberry and Micky anderson visited Burks Dockery.

Visiting Ola Gardner were Misti Fields, Jim, Nell and Angie Gardner, Vickie Sawyer, Tiffany and Michael Webb, Raymond and Aubrey

Hignight.

Floy and Wayne Williams visited Lloyd Williams.

Terry Johnson's visitors were Cecil Allen, Dorothy Holt and Joyce Wilson.

Betty Gardner was visited by Debbie Smith, Pat Talley and Robert Johnson.

Ronnie and Barbara Merchant, Donald, Tammy, and Donald Jr. Rodgers, James Smith, Stormy Fraizer, Larry Smith, Charles Smith, Sue Goley, Misty and C.J. McFarland, Larry Jr., Mary, Dessiree and Levi Haskell, Casey Allen, Earl and Clista Filkins and Earl Jr., Askmo and Annie Laura Smith, Donald Ray and Dynetta Smith.

Visitors of Johnnie and Virgie McLemore were Harrell and Mack McLemore, Shane Van Deaver, Raymond and Aubrey Hignight.

Patsy Ward and Irene Walker visited Edith Franklin.

Nancy Murphy visited Russell Grant.

Earlene Barnett was visited by Peggy and Micah Malone and Earl Barnett.

Grace Griffin's visitors were Wynell Gilbreath and Dakota and Danbri Mitchel.

Jane Rhoades' daughters Patti Amis and Becky Hayes visited her.

Cherry Walker visited Terry McDowra.

Visiting Ivaleta Edwards were Wanda Rosson and Sarah Dennie.

Billie Sawyer's visitors were Mary and Vicki Sawyer and Nell Gardner.

Miriam Shannon was visited by Elaine Babb, Regina Melton and Raelee Melton.

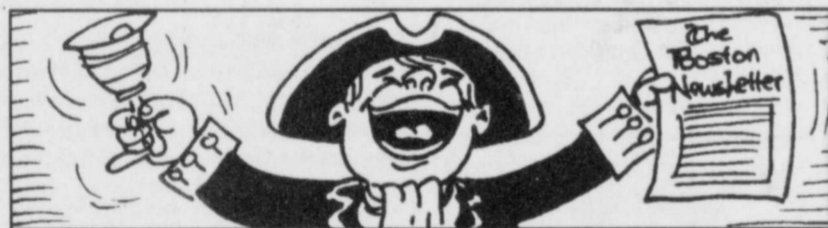
Jo Wrenn's visitors were Pam Campbell, kara and Hali Screws, Dakota and Danbri Mitchell, Charlie Lawrence, Dorothy Holt and Joyce Wilson.

Steve, Dina, Chris, Brent and Amanda Middleton visited Jimmy Middleton.

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Habitual orderliness of ideas is your sole road to happiness and to reach it orderliness in all else, even the most casual things, is needed.

—Eugene Delacroix

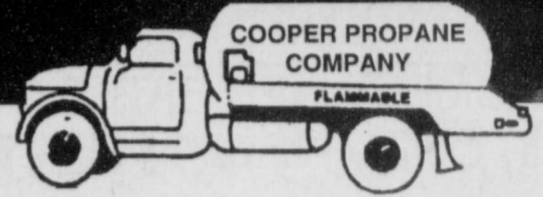


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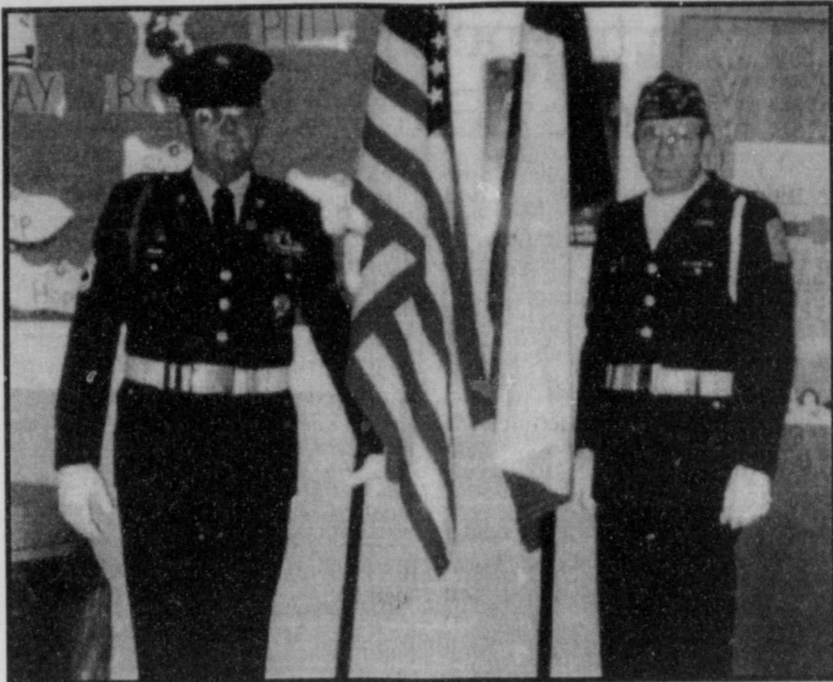
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VFW 3990 COMMANDER Bud Mackey and Color Guard Commander Chester Kilmer presented the colors at Higgins Elementary School at "Fun Day" on Friday, March 8.

 **Have A Nice Weekend**

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**East Post Oak News**

By Geneva Lee  
Call 982-5309

Juanita Vickers and granddaughter of Dallas visited her mother Faye Mitchell Waterman and Mr. Waterman over the weekend and attended church here Sunday morning.

Sue and Norman Farris of Longview spent Friday night with her mother Louise Cagle and took their great nephew Dakota Jones home with them Saturday morning to stay the spring break with them.

Rhoda Lee was taken to St. Joseph's emergency room last Monday night March 4 due to a fall. She had a few skin tears and was treated and she returned to the nursing home in a couple of hours.

Donna Johnigan and son Zachery of Waco spent the weekend with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Don Vaughn

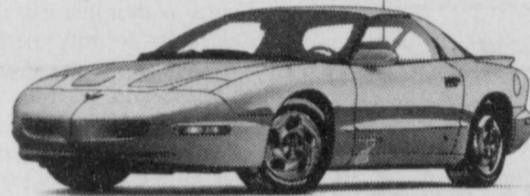
and attended church here Sunday morning. They returned home Monday.

Mrs. Ralph (Idabelle) Crawford Crawford of Mt. Pleasant formerly of our community has been in the hospital there for several days and in serious condition. At last report she was doing some better.

The East Post Oak Fire Department had 11 attending their regular meeting at the Fire Station last Thursday night. The April meeting which will be the annual meeting to elect officers will be held at the Community Center.

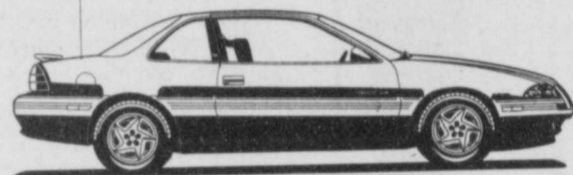
We extend our sympathy to the Whitley family on the loss of Bud Whitley. Also to Bubba and Sallie(Pratt) Dale and families on the loss of their oldest grandson Jamie who was 25.

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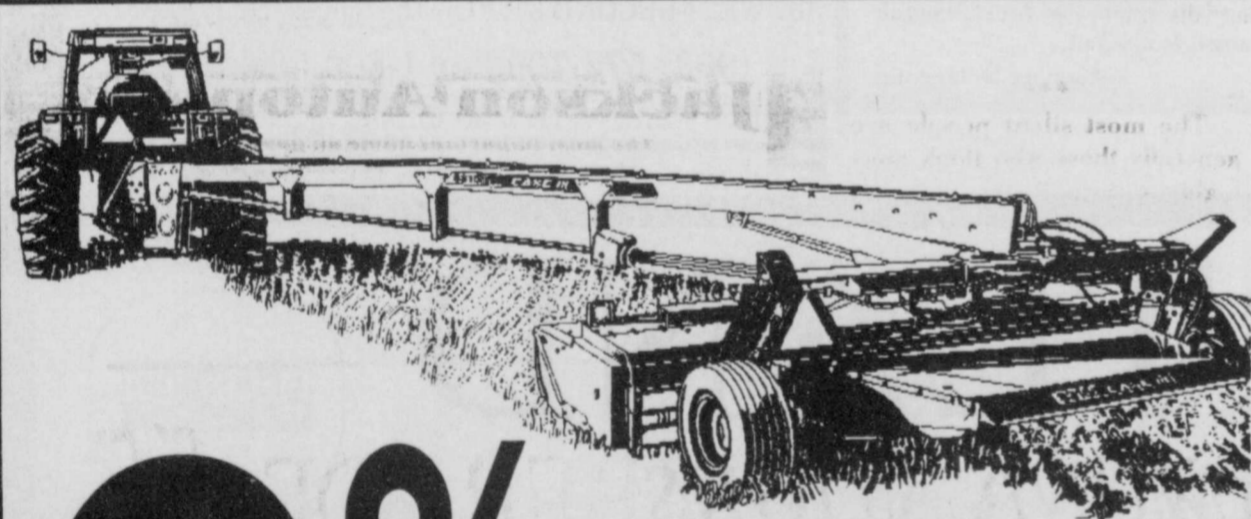
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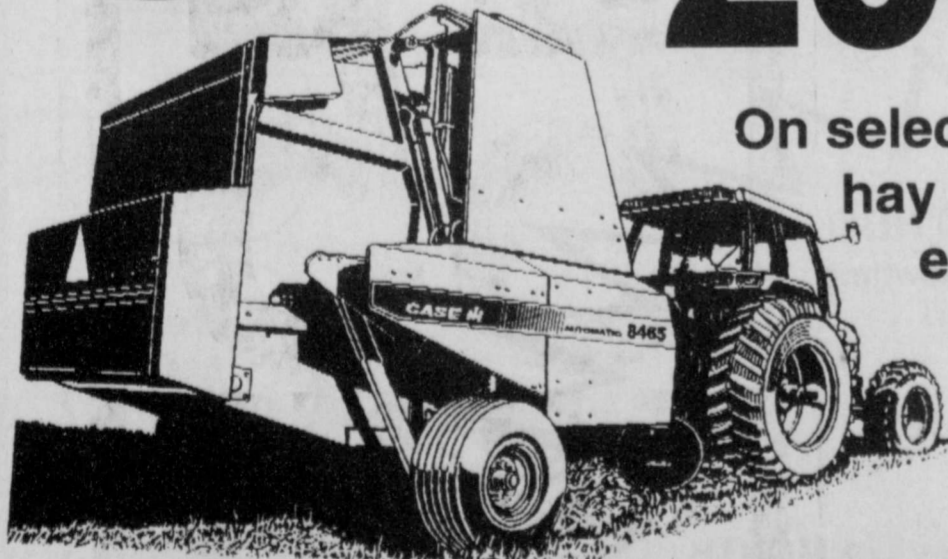


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PRESIDENT SHIRLEY SMITH and Velma Pool, Americanism Chairmen of VFW 3990 Ladies Auxiliary prepared packets to be handed out at their bicycle safety booth at the Kid Safe held Saturday, March 23 at PJC.

**Deport Housing Authority News**



By Mary Westbrook 652-3605

The craft club met March 7 in the gazebo with these present: Lisa Johnson, Maud Webb, Allen Johnson, Floy Sparks, Mary Lee Johnson, Mae Storm and Thelma Shelby. We finished painting all the plaster that Kenneth Thomas donated to us. We will be starting new projects on March 12.

Mrs. Berniece Elmore has returned from McCuiston hospital where she spent several days.

Mrs. Kathy Bice of Dumas is here visiting Mrs. Elmore while she is recuperating.

Mavis Sowards and her sister, Clarice Vaughan, are visiting Mrs. Vaughan's children in Dallas over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kennedy of Commerce visited Mrs. Mamie Kennedy on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jackson of Paris visited Carrie Bennett on Sunday.

Elnora Ratliff of Paris visited Alpha Barnard on Sunday.

Stacy Wright visited her grandmother, Mildred Wright on Wednesday.

**Strong financial performance reported by Farm Credit district**

The Tenth Farm Credit District showed continued improvement and growth in its loan portfolio in 1995, according to year-end financial results released today.

The agricultural lending cooperative's loan volume of \$3.8 billion at December 31, 1995, reflects an increase of \$104.7 million from a year earlier. Production leading grew by 6 percent last year, while mortgage lending increased by 1.8 percent.

The Tenth Farm Credit District includes the Austin-based Farm Credit Bank of Texas, 47 Federal Land Bank Associations (FLBA's) which make long-term land and rural housing loans in Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi and Texas; and 17 Production Credit Associations (PCA's) which make agricultural production loans in Louisiana, New Mexico and Texas.

The growth was attributed to lower interest rates, a generally favorable economy and strong crop prices which led to higher demand for agricultural financing. "On the mortgage side, we

found many customers turning to us for financing, as other lenders are becoming reluctant to renew agricultural financing," said CEO Arnold R. Henson. "Production loans grew as borrowers took advantage of favorable crop prices to expand their operations or, alternately, to deal with crop losses resulting from the drought conditions and insect problems in our region."

Credit quality of the loan portfolio also improved in 1995. At year end, acceptable loan volume was 96.4 percent, up from approximately 96.2 percent at year-end 1994. Total high risk assets declined by 20.5 percent, ending the year at \$19.6 million. The decrease was due primarily to declines in nonaccrual loans and other property owned.

The district capital position continued to improve as well. At December 31, 1995, district capital totalled \$854.1 million, an increase of \$13.9 million or 1.7 percent from year-end 1994.

The growth in capital was prima-

rily attributable to \$29.3 million in net income earned in 1995. Net interest income was up \$12.6 million recorded upon the early extinguishment of \$264.5 million of debt. The debt retirement was part of the district's asset/liability strategy to maintain a stable net interest margin, and to replace higher cost debt in the portfolio with lower cost borrowings.

Additionally, the district recorded a \$16.2 million tax provision in anticipation of future capital distributions to be made to PCA's. Absent these two events, the district would have posted near-record earnings of \$73.1 million. These earnings, in combination with past earnings, are allowing associations to reduce borrower stock requirements as well as make dividend and patronage payments to stockholders.

Nationally, the Farm Credit System reported combined net income of \$1.165 billion for the year ended December 31, 1995, as compared with combined net income of \$1.005 billion for the prior year.

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To achieve great things, we must live as though we never going to die.

—Vauvenargues

**Lamar County Sheriff's report**

**Monday February 26, 1996:** 2 animal complaints, 5 arrest, 1 trash dumping, 1 civil matter, 1 alarm, 2 theft, 1 vehicle fire, 1 runaway, 2 suspicious vehicle, 2-911 violation, 2 violation of burn ban, 2 burglary alarm, 2 motorist assist, 1 theft, 1 suicide, 1 prowler, 1 grass fire, 1 disturbance and 1 assist with 122 inmates.

**Tuesday, February 27, 1996:** 1 disturbance, 2 animal complaints, 3 assist to other departments, 2 transports, 2 civil matters, 1 recovered stolen boat w/trailer, 1 missing person, 1 suspicious vehicle, 1-911 violation, 1 property damage, 1 welfare concern, 2 arrest, 1 structure fire, 1 locate runaway, 1 alarm, 1 traffic hazzard, 1 threaten assault, 1 harrasment, 1 fire burn violation with 115 inmates.

**Wednesday, February 28, 1996:** 2 transport, 1 open door, 1 telephone harrasment, 2 animal complaints, 1 theft, 9arrest, 1 civil matter, 1 assault, 1 poss DWI, 1 traffic hazzard, 1 welfare concern, with 118 inmates.

**Thursday, February 29, 1996:** 3 arrests, 2 trash burning, 1 criminal mischief, 1 assist EMS, 1 harrasment, 1 shoplifting, 3 animal complaint, 1 sexual assault with child, 2 illegal burns, 2 telephone harrasment, 1 harrasment, 1 theft, 2-911 violations, 1 burglary of habitation, 1 securitycheck and 1 civil matter with

114 inmates.

**Friday, March 1, 1996:** 7 illegal burns, 1 welfare complaint, 1 animal complaint, 2 grass fire, 1 order of protective custody, 4 arrest, 1 threatened assault, 1 burglary, 1 narcotics investigation, 1 violation of protective order, 1 assist EMS, 5 juvenile arrest, 1 forgery, 3 civil matter, 1 live-stock complaint, 1 stolen property, 1 motorist assist, 1 suspicious circumstances, 1 suspicious vehicle, 2 intoxicated driver, 1 gas spill, 3 criminal mischief, 1 missing person and 1 disturbance with 114 inmates.

**Sunday, March 3, 1996:** 3 arrests, 7assists, 1 fraud, 1 burglary in progress, 3 fire, 1 special assignment, 1 theft, 3 alarm, 1 welfare concern, 1 accident, 3 reckless drivers, 1 shot fired, 3 suspicious vehicles, 1 civil matter, 2 animal complaints, 1 miscellaneous public, 1 fire violation, 1 vehicle search, 2 possible DWI, 1 runaway, 1 threaten assault, 1 noise disturbance, 1 injury to child, 2 harrasment, 1 traffic hazzard, 1 assault, 1 suspicious person and 1 disturbance with 112 inmates.

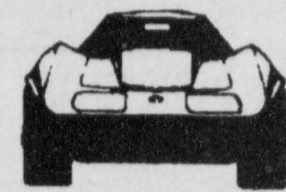
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Nellie T. Ross of Wyoming held two important firsts for women. She was the first woman governor in the U.S. from 1925 to 1927 and later was the first woman to serve as director of the U.S. Mint.

### Rodgers on overseas deployment

Navy Lt. Cmdr. Daniel J. Rodgers, son of Joe N. Rodgers of Blossom, Tx., has departed for a six-month overseas deployment to the Persian Gulf with the commander of Destroyer Squadron 23 embarked aboard the aircraft carrier USS Nimitz.

Rodgers works on the staff of the officer who is in charge of a group of U.S. Navy cruisers, destroyers and frigates assigned to the nine-ship USS Nimitz Battle Group. Rodgers's unit, home based in San Diego, is part of the battle group which includes 10,000 Sailors and Marines, more than 80 tactical aircraft, and ships and submarines armed with Tomahawk cruise missiles.

Rodgers and fellow Sailors spent more than 150 days at sea last year training for a variety of situations they might encounter during the deployment. They replaced the USS Independence Battle Group, which had been operating in the Western Pacific Ocean and Persian Gulf en-

forcing the no-fly zone over Southern Iraq, and conducting maritime interceptions with ships suspected of smuggling prohibited materials to and from Iraq.

Rodgers's involvement is an example of how U.S. men and women are serving aboard Navy ships are on station around the world from the Persian Gulf and the Western Pacific Ocean to the Mediterranean Sea. These naval forces can respond on short notice to crises around the world, and can dominate coastal and ocean areas while projecting sustained power and presence wherever U.S. interests are involved.

The 1972 graduate of Prairiland High School of Pattonville, Tx., joined the Navy in December 1972. Rodgers is a 1983 graduate of Texas A & M University, College Station, Tx., with a BS degree and a 1991 graduate of the U.S. Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, Calif., with a MS degree.



LUCILLE LOLLAR, secretary to Jim Dick Lovett, candidate for County Judge and Elizabeth Burtner, wife of Mark Burtner, candidate for Lamar County Attorney and Dessie Nickerson, Ladies Auxiliary Legislative Chairman discussed candidates at a recent town hall meeting sponsored by the VFW Post 3990 and Ladies Auxiliary.



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After this explanation, Jesus said, "But seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you" (Matthew 6:33). Here we have the first clue in which direction to go if we really want to be happy and have our happiness based on that which cannot be taken away from us. Do you really want to be truly happy? Seek first God's kingdom and His righteousness! *Jim Wilson, Minister*  
Blossom Church of Christ, Blossom, Texas



**Deport Locals**

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Jo Ann Haney of Wake Village spent the weekend with her mother Estelle Chesshire. Grandson, David and Denise Harbison visited Saturday. Her great-grandson Jered Harbison and Gwen Wright of Garland and Martha Ray of Blossom visited on Monday.

Stephen Short spent the weekend in Arlington visiting his aunt and uncle Jane and Scott Kee and with his brother, John Paul Short.

Gerald and Doris Parks of Paris visited Mary Parks on Sunday.

Frances Franklin visited her daughter Norma Jean Rheingens, still in critical condition in Baylor Hospital.

Alice Ruth Gravatt of Reno took her mother Alice Bumgarner to the Fish Fry in Paris Saturday night for her birthday. Attending were Darrin and Gwen Hickman of Paul's Valley, OK, Mr. and Mrs. Mack Farley and Tyler, Norma Parks and David. Linnie Bailey spent the weekend

with her sister Ruby Dee Blevins of Pattonville.

Kathy and Lee Bice of Dumas are visiting her mother Ruth Whittle and family.

Prentice and Jo Crawford and Christopher of Benbrook visited Raymond and Edith Crawford.

Rusty Crawford, Chad, Kelcie and Broc of Euless visited Russell and Pat Crawford.

Darrin and Monica Gifford, Trent

and Chandler of The Colony visited John and Shirley Gifford.

Ledford Kelley of Georgetown spent the weekend with the Walker Devlins of Minter.

Thomas and Nanalee Nichols were in Mt. Pleasant Friday on business.

Hugh Jeffus, Sr., Hugh and Vicki Jeffus, and Thomas and Nanalee Nichols were visited by Christy Dickson and four year old Chase Sunday.

**Milton News**  
By Mattylu Upchurch



Brad Allen of Denton spent the weekend with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth H. Allen.

John Manley of Temple visited his mother-in-law Evelyn Wilson, Friday at the Gunter Nursing Home.

Shasta Riley and Nathan Yoder are visited friends and relatives this week during spring break.

Julie Wallace and Nancy Hibedos and baby of Forney visited their grandmother Elizabeth Walker, Sunday.

Ollie and Ruth Lee and Ruth Johnston of Paris and Nita Bowling visited Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lee Friday night.

H.R. Knapp of McDougle, AR visited Mr. and Mrs. Bill Upchurch, Monday.

Harvey and Jean Bell of Cypress

Spring visited Mr. and Mrs. Holand Bell Thursday.

George and Nell Wolf, Lynn and Sherrie Wolf, Bert and Cindy Filkens, Stephanie and Joseph, David and Angie Wolf, Marcus and Allison and Randy and Cindy Talley all enjoyed dinner at the Fish Fry Saturday night.

John Manley Temple visited Wayne and Colleen Watson and Austin of Plano and Mr. and Mrs. Phil Casey, Blair and Bryan of Carrollton Saturday. Grandson Blair came home with him and returned to Plano Monday.

Frank Lee and Willie Lee of Rugby visited their brother, J.N. Lee at the Heritage Nursing Home in Paris.

Hattie Hobbs of Paris visited her sister Helen Temple on Monday.

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**Edith Crawford celebrates birthday**

A birthday supper was held Saturday night for Edith Crawford to celebrate her 89th birthday.

Attending were Prentice and Jo Crawford and Christopher, Russell and Pat Crawford, Rusty Crawford, Chad, Brea and Kelcie, Virginia and Dwayne Rhodes, Mike and Sonya

Rhodes, Jordan, Shirley, and John Gifford, Cliff and DeeDee Gifford, Cegie and Callie, Darrin and Monica Gifford, Chandler and Trent, Donald and Phyllis Crawford, Teena Sparks, Larry Crawford, Craig Crawford, Kaci and Kara, Raymond Crawford and Barbara Crawford.



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<b>COFFEE</b> Folgers 13oz. Can Reg. & Auto Drip  <b>\$2.49</b>	<b>SAUSAGE</b> Owens 2 Lb. Roll  <b>\$3.99</b>	<b>TURKEY BREAST</b> Eckrich- Lb.  <b>\$3.99</b>	<b>HONEY CURED HAM</b> Eckrich - lb.  <b>\$2.99</b>	<b>FRYERS</b> WHOLE CUT UP - Lb.  <b>99¢</b>	
<b>ICE CREAM</b> Blue Bell 1/2 Gallon  <b>\$2.99</b>	<b>MILK</b> Oak Farms - Gallon  <b>\$1.99</b>	<b>VIENNAS</b> Hormel Sausage 5oz. Can  <b>2/99¢</b>	<b>TUNA</b> Parade 6oz. Can  <b>2/99¢</b>	<b>CHILI</b> Parade 19oz. Can No Beans  <b>89¢</b>	
<b>CAKE MIXES</b> Duncan Hines 18.25oz. All Flavors  <b>99¢</b>	<b>PLUM JELLY</b> Parade Red 18oz. Jar  <b>\$1.39</b>	<b>BREAD</b> Mrs. Bairds TownTalk - Loaf  <b>59¢</b>	<b>BISCUITS</b> Parade 7oz.  <b>5/99¢</b>	<b>BABY FOOD</b> Gerber 4 1/2oz. Jar All Flavors  <b>2/79¢</b>	<b>PINEAPPLE</b> Del Monte Sliced 8oz. Can  <b>2/\$1</b>
<b>KETCHUP</b> Parade 14oz. Bottle <b>69¢</b>	<b>CORN KITS</b> Morrison 8oz. <b>4/\$1</b>	<b>FRUIT ROLL UPS</b> Parade Cereal 15oz. Box <b>\$1.99</b>	<b>CORN FLAKES</b> Parade Cereal 18oz. Box <b>\$1.29</b>	<b>TOWELS</b> Velvet Paper - Roll <b>2/\$1</b>	<b>PUREX ULTRA</b> Detergent 18 Use 28oz. Box <b>\$1.99</b>
<b>BANANAS</b>  <b>3 Lb \$1</b>	<b>Yellow ONIONS</b>  <b>29¢ Lb.</b>	<b>TOMATOES</b>  <b>59¢ Lb.</b>	<b>POTATOES</b> 8 Lb. Bag  <b>\$1.59</b>	<b>White ONIONS</b>  <b>39¢ Lb.</b>	<b>COKE DIET COKE</b> 2 Liter  <b>89¢</b>
<b>DELI FOODS-WE NOW SERVE:</b>		<b>FOUNTAIN DRINKS</b> All Flavors 16oz. <b>39¢</b>		<b>COCA COLA</b> 20oz. 6 Pack Bottles <b>\$2.99</b>	
<b>HAMBURGERS</b>	 <b>\$1.95</b>	<b>BBQ SANDWICH</b>	<b>\$1.95</b>	<b>CHICKEN FRIED STEAK SANDWICH</b>	<b>\$2.25</b>
<b>CHICKEN TENDER SANDWICH</b>	<b>\$1.95</b>				