



**NICHOLS' WORTH**

By: Nanalee Nichols

Upon the subject of Chiggers, there is much to be said. It is a subject which every East Texan knows, alas, too much about.

Strangers to this part of the world are not so enlightened, it seems.

Some time ago, a native of Baltimore, Maryland sat in open-mouthed wonder as we told him about what was causing those nasty, itching little welts every time he sat out on the grass.

We described the chigger...a bug so tiny it is impossible to see it without a magnifying glass or extremely sharp eyesight. We continued about how it used an acid secretion to dissolve skin tissue as it burrowed into the top layer of the skin.

When we finished, the man looked at us and grinned "okay, now tell me what is REALLY causing these welts?"

We saw...it seems pretty hard to believe that anything nearly invisible can cause such an itch.

Our British friends looked at us with the same doubtful, dubious expressions last spring as we told them about chiggers. But after sitting in the grass on the pool bank for a while, they believed...oh, how those poor ladies believed!

The thing about chiggers that makes them so insidious is that tiny size. You can't seem 'em, you can't feel 'em as they crawl along.

They find the dad gummed places to decide to dig in...places that are hard to scratch, and usually can't be scratched in public anyhow!

They will arrive unannounced from grass clippings thrown up over the neck or shoulders by a mower and work their way downward. Or, they arrive via the grass and work their silent, invisible way up over rock and under clothes upward. It doesn't matter which direction the attack comes from...the results are the same.

They are a menace and a nuisance to society...and they are everywhere...in city lawns and country woods.

Perhaps the state should post warning signs "Beware of Chiggers" but then that would lead to an explanation of just what they were.

And when non-natives read about those almost invisible red bugs that caused large, nasty welts that itched like crazy...well, they'd probably figure that Texans were pulling the equivalent of a snipe hunt on them...and wouldn't put on any insect repellent in spite of the warnings.

But, of course, native East Texans know the truth...and are prepared to be afflicted throughout the summer months by the tiny terrors that matef the tick for misery!

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## Talco School Homecoming Huge Success

The exes of the Talco School held their annual homecoming Saturday, June 27 at the school. They began gathering around 9 a.m. in the lobby where they registered and received their name tags.

On display were some water color

paintings done by Murray Foster, a 1941 Talco graduate from Denison. The most outstanding and the one that seemed to be the favorite of the ex-students was his painting of the main street of Talco as a thriving town during the oil boom of 1936.

Ralph Parsons, a 1947 graduate,

now of Longview, had a display of sculptured presidents heads which he later presented to Talco School Principal Bill Vickers. The busts which will be displayed in the newly renovated school library were presented in the memory of Mr. Parsons' father, Charles Parsons, who

was a long time employee of the Tidewater Oil Company located in Talco and also served on the school board for many years.

Also during the program, Bud Barrett, committee president, welcomed the guests, recognized the students from each of their classes and recognized the former and present teachers. Meurl Bean of Bogata and Earl Belcher of Paris were recognized as being from the earliest class which was 1924. Mr. Bean has attended the homecoming each year they have had one.

After the program there was some more time for visiting before the barbeque dinner was served. There were over 200 guests registered but when everyone was in the auditorium for the program, there weren't very many empty seats. There were approximately 425 people estimated to have attended the homecoming.

Those registering were: Gail Cook, Kodiak, AR; Bonnie Neil Ray and Lois Ray, Flint; J.O. Cooper, Jr., Bogata; Earl Belcher, Paris; Robbie Cooper McLaughlin, Ft. Worth; Bobbie Ritcherson, Mesquite; John Parsons, Jr., Longview; Sis Dyson, Vivian Riddle Jones, Dorothy Riddle Preddy, Mary Lynn Blalock Emery, Nona Riddle Moles, Jack Morris and Betty Henley, Mt. Pleasant; Mary Schultz and Lavon Harper Van Buskirk, Talco; Leroy Fox, Seminole, OK; Mary Louise Kelley Fox, Seminole; Edwin M. King, Lago Vista; Ronald Pair, Enid, Ok; Clara Ruth Hoffpauir Loving, Longview; Roger E. Dixon, Houston; E.E. Blalock, Ft. Worth; G.J. Riley, Longview; Linda Neugent Blackwood, Jack and Beth, Ardmore, OK; Tom Neugent, Euless; Gayle Whitmore Sones, Houston; T.G. Temples, Mexia; Dorothy Neugent, Lafayette, LA; David Johnson, Plano; Myrna Hall Horton, Tyler; Beth Rosson Hankins, New Orleans, LA; Fredrika Ruth Hudson, Nocona; Tommie Clark Burleson, Grand Prairie; Frank and Marjorie May, Kilgore; Frealon Jenkins, Dallas; J.R. Cole and Evelyn Lock, Fayetteville, AR; Joyce Dillon, Columbus, MS; Judy Young and Bob Pippin, Euless; Fred and Eltona Ferris Foch, Hawkins; Edwina Jones Barfly, Dallas; Jo Ann Moore and Jerry D. Jones, Garland; W.K. and Ernestine White, Houston.

Others were registered were Dorothy Agan, Mt. Pleasant; Manuel and Bessie Allison, Gainesville; George Anderson, Houston; Bud and Olga Barnett, Avinger; James and Verna Hendricks Barrett, Longview; Ney Blackburn, Ennis; Everett and Rachael Blalock, Seagoville; Dorothy Womack Box, Henderson; Rosemary Neugent Boyd, Irving; Woody Boyles, Monroe, LA; Tommy Earl, Laura, Mandy and Sandy, Mt. Pleasant; Sammie and Merl Flanagan Burton, Mt. Pleasant; Ann Chapman Clevenger, Daingerfield; Ernest Conarroe, Mt. Vernon; Joan Smith Conway, Les and April, Conyers, GA; Marguerite Cato Dismuke, Grand Prairie; Dorothy Watts Dodd, Jolntown; Gayla Caldwell, Chad, Shana and Matt Cooper, Garland; Elois Morris Dooley, DeKalb; Sylvia Lewis Eberts, Houston; Gerald Foster, Longview; Murray Foster, Denison; Andy and Mary Louise Kelly Foster, Seminole, OK; Jean Frazier, Sulphur Springs; Minerva Easterling Gentry, Diana; Joe, Martha Fuller Gibson, Jeanette and Robin, Winnsboro; John Giddens, Mart; Mary Ruth Walker Good, Octis and Eloise Roberts Hall, Bud and Doris Hanks, Mt. Pleasant; Jan Hargrove, Hurst; Joe and Jayne Harper, Lindale; Bob and Sue Harris, Longview; Octis and Janie Harris, Brad and Matt, Mesquite; Sue

Easterling Henricks and husband, Greenville; Ronnie Joe Holloway, Bill Jones, Jerry and Dorothy Jones, Mt. Pleasant; Dr. W.L. and Inez Kelly, Paris; George Leake, Texarkana; Barbara Lewis, Garland; FRank Lindsey, Avinger; John H. Lovell, Grand Prairie; E.G. and Wanza Lum, Clarksville; Ruth Nance Martin and husband, Longview; Lloyd Mayfield, Mt. Pleasant; Eddie Chapman McCarty, Houston; Jan Hawkins McCuller, Mt. Pleasant; B.F. Morris, Garland; Billy Charles Morris, Abilene; Darrell Morris, Gerald Ben Morris, Mt. Pleasant; Jayne Rosson Norman, Irving; Lewis and Billie O'Shield, Odessa; Virginia Johnson Onyette, Wake Village; Bob Parker, Sulphur Springs; Jay Parker, Garland; Wayne Parker, Sulphur Springs; Ralph Prsons, Longview; Marian Pearson, Corpus Christi; Lucille Perkins, Pecan Gap; Wayne Pinkston and wife, Irving; Mary Margaret Patthoff, Houston; Betty York Puckett, Denton; Glenda Ray and George Raven, Fred Rodgers, Austin; Juanita Rodgers, Mt. Pleasant; Cothelia Simpson and husband, Longview; Woody Sanford, Houston; Martha Johnkin Schoolfield, Roanoke; Sue Gaddis, Martha Slaughter, Mt. Pleasant; Vernon Pearl Smith, Garland; Loren Stephens, Paris; Edgar and Dorothy Stevens, Lafayette, LA; Gail Swope, David and Meurlene Bean Teague, Austin; Jo Ann Temple, Mexia; Reggie Thompson, Baytown; Nancy Buchanan Webb, Jim and Linda Weisinger, Longview; Ethel Alsobrook Wilson and husband Jim, Mesquite; Max Womack, Atlanta; Joyce Worrell, Atlanta; Dorothy Hall Wooten, Huntsville; Bob Wright, Chandler, OK; Mary Jeans Chapman Flanagan, Mt. Pleasant; Floyce Teague, Paris; Louise Bean, Bogata; Janice Cunningham Scarborough, Mt. Pleasant.

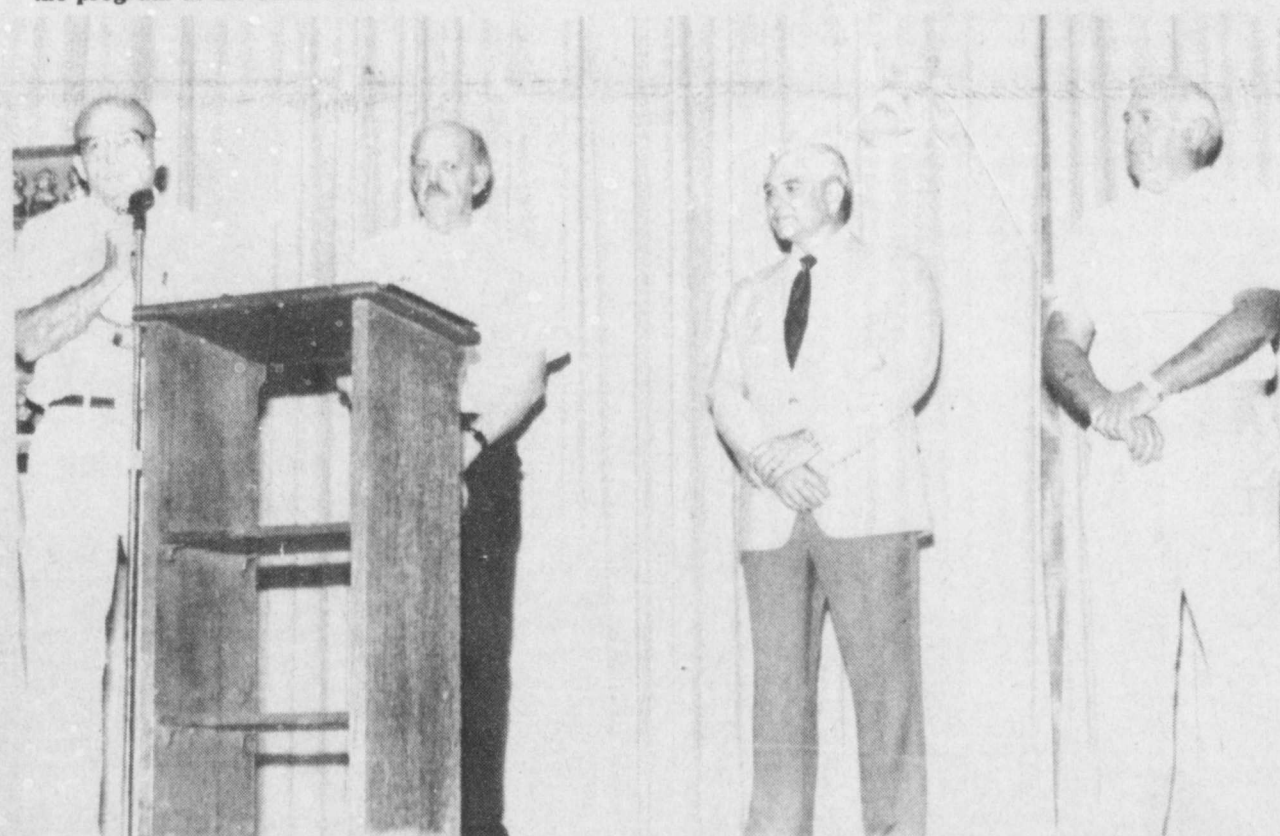
From Talco were: Mary Schultz, Lavon Harper Van Buskirk, Tony and Jo Anschutz, Nadine McClung Caldwell, Christelle Cato, Bill and Myrtle Chapman, Bobby and Jayne Ottinger Cox, Mrs. Edgar Easterling, Bobbie Williams Edge, Johnny Gable, Blanton and Bonnye Worden Gage, Anna Sue Cato Goodroe, James and Nora Lee Biles Gray, Zenith Hargrove, Zonetta Gentry Hawkins, Jimmy and Jewel Stewart Haynes, James and Grace Crowston Hearn, Gerald and Jane Kelly Holmes, Clifford and Lois Jean Carlisle Jones, Thelma Wges Jones, Marie Reed McGonagill, Doug and Joyce Parker, Lyndon and Melba Spruiell Reed, Cecelia Hall Smith, Patsy Price Smith, Donald Swope, Alice Ruth Tidwell, Billy Joe and Wanda Rodgers Vickers, Shirley Whitney Walker, Elton and Mary Welch, Ida Welch, Vivian Smith Westbrook, Shelby Borger, Ann Seay Roberts, Mona Roberts Pitts and Roy Charles.



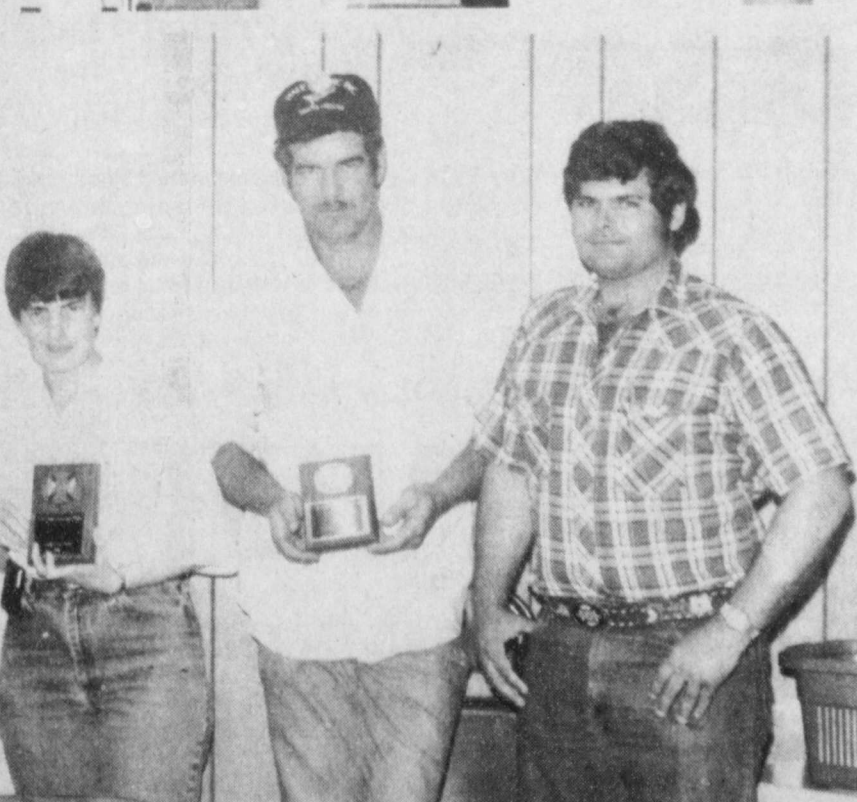
FORMER AND present school teachers were recognized during the program at the Talco School

reunion. There was a big turnout which the exes enjoyed a barbeque

dinner and a lot of socializing. (Staff Photo by Jelu Binlon)



PART of the program at the Talco School reunion was the presentation of the sculptured busts of all the presidents by Ralph Parsons to Talco principal Bill Vickers and Rivercrest superintendent Harold Cowley. Mr. Parsons presented the busts in memory of his father, Charles Parsons, who served on the school board. (Staff Photo by Jelu Binlon)



TALCO FIRE Chief, Randy Carroll, far right, presented awards at the annual fish fry held Saturday. Accepting the awards were Billy Albertson for Rookie Fireman of the Year, Jean Stockton for EMS

of the Year and Harvey Ross for Fireman of the Year. The award winners are voted on by fellow members of the department. (Staff Photo by Jelu Binlon)

### School Board To Meet July 7

The regular board meeting of the Talco-Bogata CISD will be Tuesday, July 7 at 7:30 p.m. at Rivercrest High School.

### NTCC Summer Begins July 13

Registration for the second summer term at Northeast Texas Community College will be Monday, July 13 from 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. in the College Administration building. Classes will begin Tuesday, July 14 and the semester ends Thursday, August 13.

According to NTCC Registrar and Director of Admissions, Phil W.

Ebensberger, the second summer term will include a total of 39 classes including 26 day sections and 13 evening sections. Most class sections will meet four days a week, Monday through Thursday.

Courses to be offered include art, business administration, microcomputers, economics, English, government, history, human development, health and physical education, mathematics, psychology, reading, real estate, sociology and speech.

Copies of the class schedule are available in the Admissions and Records office or by calling 572-1911 in Mt. Pleasant.

Students who will be attending NTCC for the first time are asked to complete an application for admission and supporting documents prior to registration.



Dear Editor:

Tuesday, July 7, the Talco Bogata ISD will hold a school board meeting at Rivercrest at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium.

There are a couple of items that will be discussed that evening that I think would be of interest to some of the parents in the school district.

One thing that will be brought up is to start baseball in the schools. The excuse has always been that there was no interest. Maybe it's time to try again to see if there is. There's a whole new group of boys coming up, let's see if they care.

Another thing to be discussed is the rules concerning the cheerleaders. The cheerleaders have their own set of rules besides those set up by the U.I.L. Why should theirs be more strict than those of the other athletes that represent the schools?

If anybody is interested in these topics, they should attend the meeting. This meeting is open to the public. Let the school board members know how you feel about the way the school system is run. The only way things can be changed is if enough people get together to try to change them and let their feelings known.

So get out there next Tuesday and see what the school board is up to. Thank you for the space. Mary Lou Hall Talco, TX

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**INDEPENDENCE DAY**

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# Cunningham News

**By Berniece Wyatt**  
Word has been received of the death of Mrs. Tammy Pasquill of Louisville. She was the daughter-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Pasquill of Taylortown. Sympathy is extended to the family.

Members of the Baptist Church with their pastor, Rev. and Mrs. G.C. Renfro and several visitors enjoyed an ice cream supper at the church Sunday night.

Velma Cox has returned home from a vacation in Padre Island and at Corpus Christi with Morris Cox of Dallas, Shelley Cox of Alvarado, Lecel Gaylord of Baytown and Monica Wellagan of Corpus.

Jeff Davis of Omaha spent last week with his grandmother, Mrs. Delphia Malone.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Watson, Jarvis, Deanna, Brad and Bruce and Alisha Worden of Paris were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Odis Watson.

Mr. and Mrs. J.O. Fletcher of Texarkana visited Mrs. Clifford Pynes Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Chipman, Sherry and Beth of Garland, Mrs. Ruby Chipman and Peggy Chipman of Dallas, Edith Wise of Ft. Worth, Dee Frances of Burleson, Mr. and Mrs. Don Elem of Powderly, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Lynn and Judy of Vidor, Mr. and Mrs. Joel Chipman of Ocean-side, CA, and Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Sheppard and family were Saturday night supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Chipman.

Ruby Clement and Lisa spent Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Amos Smith of Clarksville.

Mr. and Mrs. Almer Norwood visited their grandson Jonathan White, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ronny White of Sulphur Springs, who underwent surgery in a Carthage hospital Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Bell and David Bell of Paris were Wednesday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Sain and Mrs. Ida Deshong, Kristan Ray of Paris visited in the afternoon.

Billy Jack Norwood of Paris and Edith Ray Shipman of Dallas visited Mr. and Mrs. Billy Joe Oats, Mr. and

Mrs. Leonard Cruise, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Whitney and Berniece Wyatt Tuesday afternoon and night.

Kim Alen of Denton visited Mr. and Mrs. Willie Joe, Fowler Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Pickering of Miami, Florida spent Thursday night and Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Almer Norwood.

Visiting last week with Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Smith were Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Ruyle and grandson Curt of Taylortown, Mrs. James Plott and Ralph Kerley of Rockford and Aubrey Smith of Glory.

Mrs. George Taylor and Mrs. Joe Oats visited Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Stuart of Reno Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Courtney of Levelland visited Mr. and Mrs. W.J. Fowler Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ogden of Longview spent Friday night with Mrs. Clifford Pynes. They enjoyed supper at the Fish Fry.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Devlin and Dora Hester and Bill Stallens of Paris visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Williams of Shady Grove Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Davis of Omaha and Mrs. J.D. Crews of Paris spent Sunday with Mrs. Delphia Malone.

Mrs. Willie J. Fowler and Carol Dorsey and Jennifer visited Johnnie Warren in the Deport Nursing Home Monday and had lunch with Mr. and Mrs. Muri Roach.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Lynn and Judy of Vidor visited Mrs. Verta Lynn Saturday.

Velma Cox attended an orientation in Austin last week with Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Cox and family of Alvarado. Shelly Cox was accepted for a month in the Governor's School. The speaker was Wilhelmina Delco, Texas State Representative in Austin.

Mrs. Delano Dunlap and Pam, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Fowler, Christy and Mandi of Mesquite, Mr. and Mrs. Talma Fowler and Melanie of Pattonville and Carol Dorsey and Jennifer visited Mr. and Mrs. W.J. Fowler last week.

Mrs. Larry Bell and Mrs. Linda Donham and Jamie of Paris visited Mrs. Ida Deshong and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Sain Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Pickering of Miami, Florida and Mrs. Linnus Graham of Paris were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Almer Norwood.

Mrs. Robert Shannon and Mrs. Linda Barnett and daughter of Euless visited recently with Mr. and Mrs. W.J. Fowler.

Mr. and Mrs. John Newman and Charles B. Pynes of Paris had lunch with Mrs. Clifford Pynes Sunday.

## Card of Thanks

Thanks to everyone who bought rodeo tickets from me, and especially the merchants who sold tickets for me.

Thanks to the sponsors for their gifts. Without you all I could not have become the 1987 Bogata Rodeo Princess. Thanks to Kirk and Debbie.

**Tammie Gibson**

## Card of Thanks

I want to thank all my friends for the hel, the cards, the food, flowers, prayers and good wishes while I was ill.

**Ann McKinney**

## Card of Thanks

The Bogata Lions Club and Rivercrest Young Homemakers would like to express our sincere appreciation to everyone who worked to make our Frontier Day a huge success. A special thanks to all the good sports who sat in the dunking seat.

## Card of Thanks

Thanks to everyone for the support given me in the contest for Rodeo Princess, and for helping me win first runner-up. My family and I appreciate everything you did.

**Dee Tabb**

## Card of Thanks

The Old Deport Cemetery was never cleaner than it is now-thanks to the all day and all out effort of Deport Kiwanis Club members and others who gave the overgrown grounds their best licks. This volunteer work is old fashioned Americanism at its very best. After the shredding, dirt moving, chopping, raking and double mowing, all the grasshoppers pulled out for greener pastures.

Bless you all and bless all of yours.

**Old Deport Cemetery Association**  
**Ed Bryson, President**  
**Edith Fuller, Sec.-Treas.**

## OES Club Meets

Order of Eastern Star Chapter No. 1045 of Deport met recently in their last stated meeting with Mrs. Willard Barber, Worthy Matron and Alford Puckett, Worthy Patron, presiding.

Mrs. Alford Puckett, conductress, attended the altar and Bill Boehme gave the opening and closing prayers.

Mr. Puckett led the chapter in the Pledge of Allegiance and one verse of the National Anthem was sung. Programs for the evening were Bill Boehme as chaplain, Mrs. Hazel Cheatham as Ruth, Mrs. Willie Roberts as Esther, and Travis King as Sentinel.

Grand Committee persons present were Mrs. Jimmy King, Mrs. Cheatham and Mrs. Dorcaus McGee. They were introduced and given a hardy welcome. Minutes were read and approved. Bulletins and invitations were read from Avery, Talco, CLarksville, Mt. Vernon, Greenville, Wolfe City, Sulphur Springs, Paris, Royce City and Honey Grove.

Thanks was given to all who helped clean the lodge hall.

Mrs. Barber had an excellent year, with good attendance, good programs and extra good financial year. Mrs. Barber expressed her appreciation to each of her officers, then gave each a gift.

Chapter closed in ritualistic order. Meeting adjourned to the dining area for a salad supper.

## OES Installs Officers

Officers for Deport 1045 Order of the Eastern Star for 1987-88 were installed in an impressive ceremony. Presentation of the Bible and Square and Compass was made by Kenneth and Cassie Cleveland, grand-daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Buford Cleveland.

The call to order was given by Alfred Puckett, Outgoing Worthy Patron. The invocation was the Lord's Prayer given in unison by those present. The Bible was opened by Betty Puckett, conductress. The Pledge of Allegiance and the National Anthem was sung. Virginia Barber welcomed members and visitors to the installation.

Installing officers were presented: Installing Officer, Mrs. Murlene Carr; Installing Marshal, Mrs. Virginia Schmidt; Installing Chaplain, Mrs. Dorothy High; Installing Secretary, Mrs. Ola Mae Hill; Installing Organist, Mrs. Mildred Harris, and the following officers were installed: Worthy Matron, Mrs. Virginia Cleveland; Worthy Patron, Buford Cleveland; Associate Matron, Mrs. Betty Puckett; Associate Patron, Alfred Puckett; Secretary, Mrs. Yuba Sparks; Treasurer, Mrs. Jimmie King; Conductress, Mrs. Mary Ann Ward; Chaplain, Mrs. Dorcaus McGee; Marshal, Mrs. Vada Mae Hoover; Organist, Mrs. Anita Bowling; Adam, Mrs. Virginia LaRue; Ruth, Mrs. Ruby Ross; Esther, Mrs. Laura Stevens; Martha, Mrs. Edna Lee; Electa, Mrs. Virginia Barber; Warder, Mrs. Beulah Shipp; Sentinel, Travis King.

The Bible was closed and the Mizpah benediction closing the installation. A musical program was presented by Mrs. Anita Black. Mrs. Virginia Cleveland welcomed all and introduced her family and special guest. The past Worthy Matrons pin and gift was presented to Mrs. Virginia Barber by Mrs. Betty Puckett. Buford Cleveland presented the past Patron pin and gift to Alfred Puckett. The benediction was given by Rev. Mike Black.

# Fulbright News

**By Betty Rodgers**  
Dale and Pam Sulsar and Mrs. Bessie Sulsar of Detroit were visitors Saturday of Ruby Chandler.

Shannon and Jerry Clawson and William Epps of Mt. Vernon were visitors of their grandmother, Mrs. Ethel Epps Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Thomas and Misty of Omaha came by for a visit Sunday with Betty Rodgers and children.

Jane Parker of Paris was a visitor Saturday of Mrs. Ethel Epps.

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Gandy were Betty and Melissa Rodgers, Mr. and Mrs. Rene Embrey of Deport, Linda Embrey, Worth Baker, Stella Riden, Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Smith, Jessica and Catherine, Mr. and Mrs. Porter Norwood of Detroit. They visited Mr. and Mrs. John D. Allen and Mr. and Mrs. John A. Alley and Dusty to get peas.

The Jess Kelleys of Oklahoma and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Carrell visited Mr.

and Mrs. John D. Alley.

Essie Cole of Red River Haven in Bogata entered St. Joseph Hospital in Paris to have her pace maker replaced. Mrs. Bob Embrey has been attending her.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Legate of Bogata received word that his daughter had been killed in a car accident in Tennessee. No details yet.

Hub Miller returned Thursday from Nashville, TN after making a trip to carry his grandsons home that had been visiting here.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Gandy were in Lake Cypress Tuesday for the day. Mr. Gandy had also been attending the Bogata rodeo.

Karen Baker of Dllas visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Worth Baker over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Creemen of Ft. Worth were weekend visitors at their home here.

Ruth Townes of Bagwell was a visitor Monday of her sisters Marie Massey and Brenda.

## Obituaries

### Clara Cothren Dies At Age 81

Clara Eve Cothren, 81, formerly of Bogata, died Saturday, June 27 at Wadley Hospital in Texarkana.

Services were held at 11 a.m. Monday, June 29 at the Bogata United Methodist Church with the Rev. Bob Posey officiating. Burial was in Bogata Cemetery by Bogata Funeral Home.

Mrs. Cothren was born August 17, 1905 in Murfreesboro, AR, a daughter of Dave and Belle Fleming Wright. She married Jess Cothren on November 23, 1924 and he died January 5, 1975.

Surviving are two daughters, Sue Wicker of New Boston and Mrs. Odell Nolen of Carlsbad, NM; two sisters, Letha Harris of New Boston and Verna Tribble of Nashville, AR; four grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by two sons, Wayne Cothren and an infant son, Jess Cothren, Jr.

Pallbearers were Jessie Gray, Lewis Wilkerson, Raymond Mauldin, Jack Couch, Altus Denny and James Wood.

### Myrtle Williams Dies June 29

Myrtle Williams of Clarksville died Monday, June 29 in St. Joseph's Hospital.

Services were held Wednesday, July 1 at 10 a.m. in Jolley's Funeral Home Chapel with burial in Cuthand Cemetery.

Mrs. Williams was born December 10, 1906 in the Maple community, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A.H. Siddins.

Surviving are two sons, Cecil Williams of Clarksville and G.D. Williams of Ft. Worth; one daughter, Mavis Imogene Minz of Anacoca, LA; 26 grandchildren; 46 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

### Harold Sikes Dies June 14

Harold Sikes died Sunday, June 14 in Nacogdoches, Texas. He was born September 14, 1909 and married Gladys Furgerson, August 25, 1946.

He is survived by his wife; one son, Kim Sikes; grandson, Jason Sikes; three sisters, Esther Kelley of Chicago, IL, Pauline Humrichouse of Westville, IL and Alberta Perman of Hillsdale, IN.

He was buried in Nacogdoches.

### James Prichard Dies On June 16

Rear Admiral James A. Prichard

A reception, using the colors of the Worthy Matron of mauve, burgundy and white. Mrs. Linda Cleveland, Mrs. Robin Cleveland and Mrs. Willie Roberts presided over the table. Mrs. Hazel Cheatham and Kenneth Cleveland attended the guest book.

(retired) died at his home in Seattle, Washington on June 16. He was born in Bogata on July 16, 1905, the son of J.A. and Berta Homer Prichard.

After graduating from Bogata High School, he entered the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, MD. He remained in the Naval Service until his retirement.

He was married to Edna Earle Thompson of Deport. She preceded him in death in 1968.

He is survived by two children, Jim Prichard and Janice Prichard Cohen of Seattle; four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Services and burial were in Seattle.

### Beulah Ward Dies At Age 78

Beulah Haley Ward, age 78 of Sweetwater, formerly of Bogata, died Sunday, June 28 at the Holiday Retirement Center in Sweetwater.

Funeral services were Thursday, July 2 at the Bogata United Methodist Church with Rev. Bob Posey officiating. Burial was in Bogata Cemetery by Bogata Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were H.S. Mankins, Clifton Conine, Glen White, Jack Couch, Gene Hawkins and Carl Williams.

She was born October 11, 1908 in Cedar Hill, the daughter of Rover C. and Myrtle Chathey Pennington. Her first husband, Willie Andrew Haley, died April 6, 1972. She later married Bill Ward, who preceded her in death September 18, 1985.

She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Sweetwater, was an LVN at Red River Haven for several years. She is survived by one son, Billy G. Haley of Sweetwater; one daughter, Mrs. Pt Hutson of Seattle, Washington; two stepsons, Richard and Sammy Jo Ward, both of Bogata; two brothers, Marshall Pennington of Lawton, Ok; and Clifton Pennington of Dallas, one sister, Mrs. Ailene Sinclair of San Angelo; eight grandchildren; five great-grandchildren and six step-grandchildren and eight step great-grandchildren.

### Past Matrons, Patrons Meet

Past Matron and Past Patron Clut of Deport O.E.S. Chapter met recently with Mrs. Dorcaus McGee, president, presiding. Opening prayer was given by Richard Ward.

Roll was called and ten members answered and one visitor. Program was given by Mrs. Earlene Daves entitled "Mothers Tune Up" and "You Would Never Know Your Grandma Today".

Buford Cleveland gave the closing prayer.

Everyone enjoyed the covered dish dinner. Mrs. Virginia Barber and Mrs. Vada Mae Hoover will be the next hostesses and Mrs. Betty Puckett will have the program.

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Mrs. William Wayne Stringfellow

### White-Stringfellow Exchange Wedding Vows

Miss Kathy Darlene White became the bride of William Wayne Stringfellow in a semi-formal double ring wedding ceremony at the First United Methodist Church at 4 o'clock Saturday, June 13. The Rev. Johnny Johnson heard their vows.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James White of Bogata, granddaughter of Mrs. Sophie White of Bogata and the late Mr. and Mrs. Otis Twitty of Wichita Falls. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Stringfellow of Johnstown, grandson of Mrs. Dixie Stringfellow of Bogata and William Stringfellow of New Iberia, LA and the late Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kennedy of Bogata, and great-grandson of Mrs. Maudie Pittman of Bogata.

The couple repeated their vows before the altar highlighted with baskets of pink and burgundy spring flowers, and the family pews were marked with pink and burgundy spring flowers with pink bows.

Miss Julie White of Talco, pianist, accompanied Miss Lisa Rinehart who sang "Walk Through This World With Me" and "Evergreen". The traditional wedding march was played and the recessional was "We've Only Just Begun".

The bride was escorted to the altar by her father and given in marriage by her parents. She wore a gown of candlelight satin. The princess bodice featured a sweetheart neckline accented with scalloped lace and satin roses. The full skirt featured a satin ruffle accented with satin roses. It was designed by the bride and made

by her mother. Her veil fell from a bandeau of teardrop pearls and silk roses. She carried a cascading bouquet of silk with pink rose buds, burgundy carnations and accented with butterflies and trailing pink and burgundy lace ribbons.

Miss Donna Rinehart of Paris was maid of honor. She wore a pink satin tea length gown and carried a bouquet of pink and burgundy silk flowers.

Roy Skaggs of Rosalie served the bridegroom as best man. Ushers were Danny White of Bogata, brother of the bride, and Paul Stringfellow of Johnstown, brother of the groom. Miss Felina Stringfellow of Johnstown presided at the register.

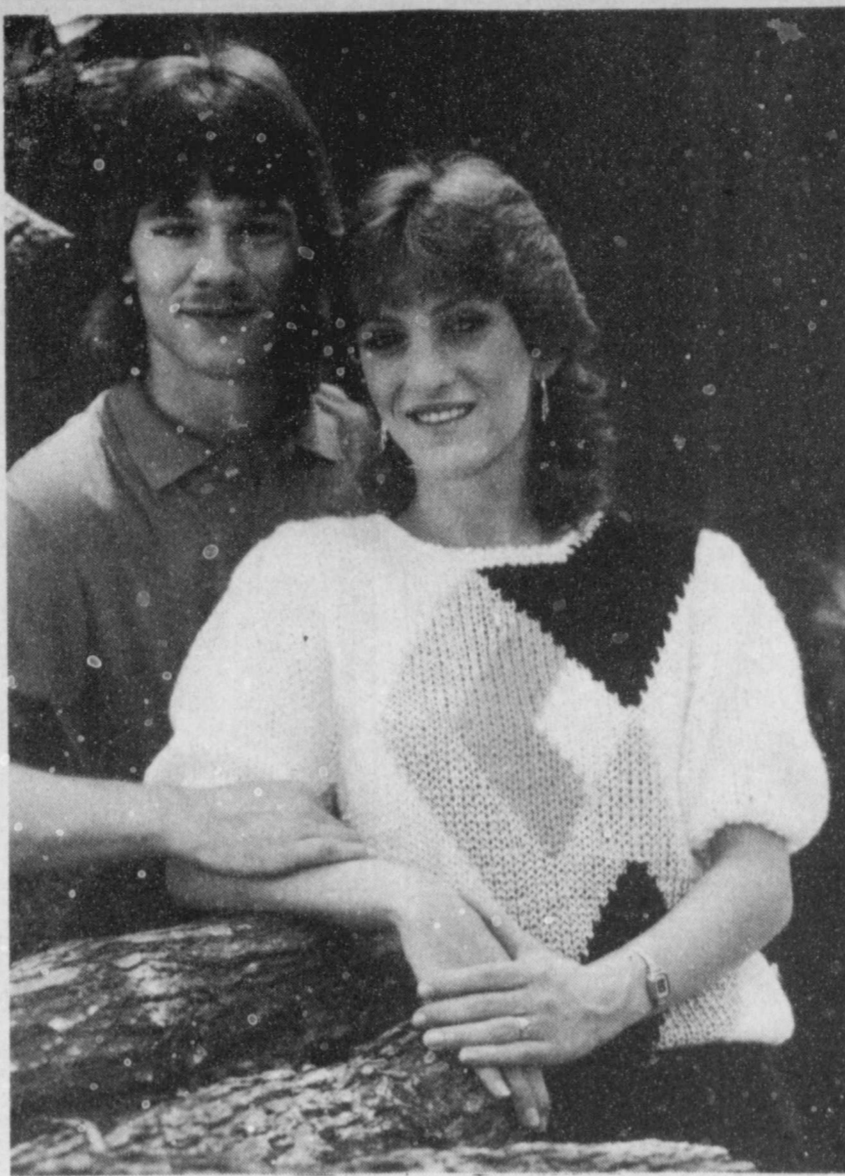
The bride's parents were hosts for a reception at their home following the ceremony.

The bride is a graduate of Rivercrest High School and Paris Junior College. She is employed at Red River General Hospital.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Rivercrest High School and is employed at Kwik-Way Corp. in Mt. Pleasant.

Mrs. Dixie Stringfellow was hostess for a rehearsal dinner at Bogie's Cafe. The couple presented gifts to their wedding party.

The couple was honored with a miscellaneous shower at the Bogata United Methodist Church on June 2. Hostesses were Mrs. Mabel Trout, Mrs. Mildred Eudy, Mrs. Miriam Stephenson, Mrs. Anita Stubblefield Mrs. Judy Marshall and Mrs. Bes Ruthardt.



Mr. and Mrs. Randy Bounds

### Grievess-Bounds Exchange Wedding Vows

Tracy Lynn Grievess and Randy Bounds were united in marriage Saturday, June 13 at 4 p.m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Taylor of Talco. Rev. Gay P'oke officiated in the double-ring ceremony which was held in the garden.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Grievess of Mt. Vernon. She is a graduate of Mt. Vernon High School. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Travis Bounds, Jr. of Talco. He is also a graduate of Mt. Vernon

### Mayes Family Reunion Held

The family of the late Charley H. and Lula Horton Mayes met for the annual reunion on Sunday, June 26 at the American Legion Building in Clarksville.

Attending from out of town were Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Tackett and Caleb, Mt. Pleasant; Michael and Susan Surber, Mr. and Mrs. Donald White, Lee Ann, D.W., Jennifer, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ringgold, all of Ashdown, AR; Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Lenaway and Jonathan, Danny George, Texarkana; Mrs. Opal Mayes, Mrs. Bobbie McClaran, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Mayes and Jeremy, Nancy, Dana, Denise Rackley, Jason Beggs and Robin Hegler, all of New Boston; Sharon and Brady Wisinger, C.R. Reed, DeKalb; Lisa and Chasity Travillion, simms; Mr. and Mrs. Morris Pratt, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy McCoin and Ryan, Detroit; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kizzia and Ashley, Paris; Rachel England, New Boston; Mr. and Mrs. Randall Mayes, Marla Brooks, Bogata; Mr. and Mrs. Larry Stringer, Brian, Heath and Paula, Angela Martin, Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Tackett, Michael Tackett, all of Clarksville.

Eddie Lenaway voiced the prayer, the oldest one present was Mrs. Opal Mayes, the youngest was seven week old Ashley Kizzia. The one that traveled the farthest distance was Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ringgold of Ashdown, AR. Everyone had a good time.

### Davis Reunion To Be Held

The annual Davis reunion will be held Sunday, July 5 at the home of Emma D. and Marshall Davis.

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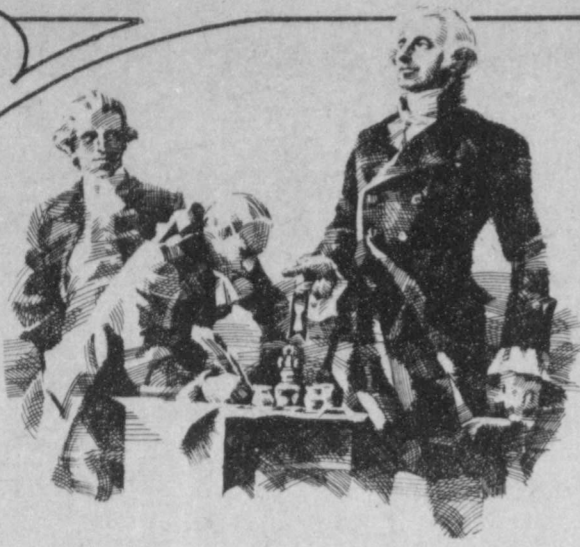
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 Morning Worship 11 a.m.  
 Evening Service 7 p.m.  
 Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.

### BOGATA CHURCH OF GOD

Ethel Elrod  
 Sunday School 10 a.m.  
 Worship 11 a.m.  
 Evening Worship 5 p.m.  
 Thursday Family Training (F.T.H.) 7 p.m.

### BOGATA FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Bob Posey  
 Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
 Worship 11 a.m.  
 Church Training 6 p.m.  
 Evening Worship 7 p.m.  
 Wednesday Auxiliary 6:30 p.m.  
 Evening Service 7 p.m.

### BOGATA CONGREGATIONAL METHODIST

Don Shovan  
 Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
 Worship Service 11 a.m.  
 Evening Service 6:30 p.m.  
 Wednesday Service 7 p.m.

### BOGATA CHURCH OF CHRIST

Benny Cogdurn  
 Sunday Bible Class 9:45 a.m.  
 Worship 10:30 a.m.  
 Evening Service 6 p.m.  
 Wednesday Service 7 p.m.

### BOGATA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Johnny Johnson  
 Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
 Morning Worship 11 a.m.  
 Evening Service 5:30 p.m.

### CUTHAND METHODIST CHURCH

Worship Each Sunday 10 a.m.  
 Sunday School 10:45 a.m.  
 Evening Services 6:30 p.m.  
 Bible Study Wednesday

### MAPLE SPRINGS MISSIONARY BAPTIST

Johnny Mack Brown  
 Sunday School 10 a.m.  
 Church 11 a.m.  
 Sunday Evening 6:30 p.m.

### HARRIS CHAPEL MISSIONARY BAPTIST

Alvin Blalock  
 Sunday School 10 a.m.  
 Church 11 a.m.  
 Evening Service 5 p.m.

### HARRIS CHAPEL CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY

Charles E. Collins  
 Sunday School 10 a.m.  
 Sunday Church 11 a.m.  
 Evening Service 7:30 p.m.

### TALCO FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Gary House  
 Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
 Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.  
 BTS 6 p.m.  
 Evening Worship 6:45 p.m.  
 Wednesday Service 6:30 p.m.

### TALCO CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

Ted White  
 Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
 Morning Worship 11 a.m.  
 Choir Practice 5:30 p.m.  
 Evening Service 6:30 p.m.  
 Wednesday Bible Study-R.A.'s 7 p.m.

### BOGATA FREE HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH

George Rape  
 Sunday School 10 a.m.  
 Evening Service 6 p.m.

### TALCO CHURCH OF CHRIST

Don Hendsley  
 Sunday Bible Class 9:45 a.m.  
 Worship 10:45 a.m.  
 Evening Worship 6 p.m.  
 Wednesday Bible Class 7 p.m.

### DEPORT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Jim Spikes  
 Sunday School 10 a.m.  
 Church 11 a.m.  
 Evening Service 5 p.m.  
 Wednesday Service 7 p.m.

### DEPORT FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH

Rickey Logan  
 Sunday School 10 a.m.  
 Morning Worship 11 a.m.  
 Evening Training Union 6 p.m.  
 Worship 7 p.m.  
 Wednesday Worship and R.A. 7 p.m.

### DEPORT FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Chief Warden  
 Sunday School 10 a.m.  
 Morning Worship 11 a.m.

### DEPORT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sam Rice  
 1st Thru 3rd Sunday Worship 11 a.m.  
 Fourth Sunday Worship 9 a.m.  
 Sunday School 10 a.m.

### DEPORT CHURCH OF CHRIST

Cecil Allen  
 Sunday Bible School 9:30 a.m.  
 Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.

### DEPORT HOUSE OF PRAYER

Mae Nichols  
 Assistant Pastor, David Helm  
 Sunday School 10 a.m.  
 Church 11 a.m.  
 Evening Service 6 p.m.  
 Wednesday Service 7 p.m.

### JOHNTOWN MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

Billy Daniels  
 Sunday School 10 a.m.  
 Morning Worship 11 a.m.  
 Baptist Training Course 7 p.m.  
 Evening Worship 7:45 p.m.  
 Wednesday Service 7 p.m.

### JOHNTOWN CHURCH OF CHRIST

Don Hindsley

### PATTONVILLE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

James Hensley  
 Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
 Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.  
 Evening Service 6 p.m.  
 Wednesday Service 7 p.m.

### PATTONVILLE CHURCH OF CHRIST

### PATTONVILLE METHODIST CHURCH

Chief Warden  
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.  
 Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.  
 (1st & 3rd Sundays)

### TALCO ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Patrick Smith  
 Call to Worship 9:45 a.m.  
 Sunday School 10 a.m.  
 Worship 11 a.m.  
 Evening Service 6 p.m.  
 Extra Curricular Services 6 p.m.  
 Wednesday Service 7 p.m.

### BLOSSOM FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Bob Johnson  
 Sunday Bible Study 9:45 a.m.  
 Worship Service 11 a.m.  
 Church Training 6 p.m.  
 Evening Worship 7 p.m.  
 Wednesday Prayer Service 7 p.m.

### EAST POST OAK BAPTIST CHURCH

Mike Black  
 Sunday School 10 a.m.  
 Worship Service 11 a.m.  
 Training Service at 6 p.m.  
 Worship Service at 7 p.m.  
 Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.

### BLOSSOM CHURCH OF CHRIST

Leo Owen  
 Sunday School 10 a.m.  
 Worship Service 11 a.m.  
 Evening Worship 7 p.m.  
 Wednesday Service 7 p.m.

### BLOSSOM CHURCH OF GOD

### BLOSSOM FIRST UNITED METHODIST

Rev. Wally Williams  
 Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
 Church 11 a.m.  
 Evening Service 7 p.m.  
 Youth Service at 5 p.m.  
 Wednesday Service 7 p.m.  
 Adult & Childrens Choir 8 p.m.

### BLOSSOM CHURCH OF NAZARENE

Jerry Hollowell  
 Sunday School 10 a.m.  
 Worship Service 11 a.m.  
 Evening Service 6 p.m.  
 Wednesday Service 7 p.m.

### BLOSSOM FELLOWSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH

Ron Byers  
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
 Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.  
 Training Union 6 p.m.  
 Evening Worship 7 p.m.  
 Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7:30 p.m.

### FULBRIGHT CHURCH OF CHRIST

Herbert (Hub) Miller  
 Sunday Bible Study 10 a.m.  
 Wednesday Service 6:30 p.m.

### FULBRIGHT BAPTIST CHURCH

J.E. Clark  
 Sunday School 10 a.m.  
 Worship Service 11 a.m.  
 Evening Service 6 p.m.  
 Wednesday Service 6 p.m.

### MINTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

First and Third Sundays 4 p.m.

### CUNNINGHAM LIFE TABERNACLE

Don Whitt  
 Sunday School 10 a.m.  
 Morning Worship 11 a.m.  
 Evening Services 6 p.m.  
 Wednesday Services 7 p.m.

### CUNNINGHAM FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Glyn Renfro  
 Sunday School 10 a.m.  
 Church 11 a.m.  
 Evening Service 6 p.m.

### CUNNINGHAM UNITED PENTECOSTAL

J.B. (Bud) Watson  
 Sunday School 10 a.m.  
 Church 11 a.m.  
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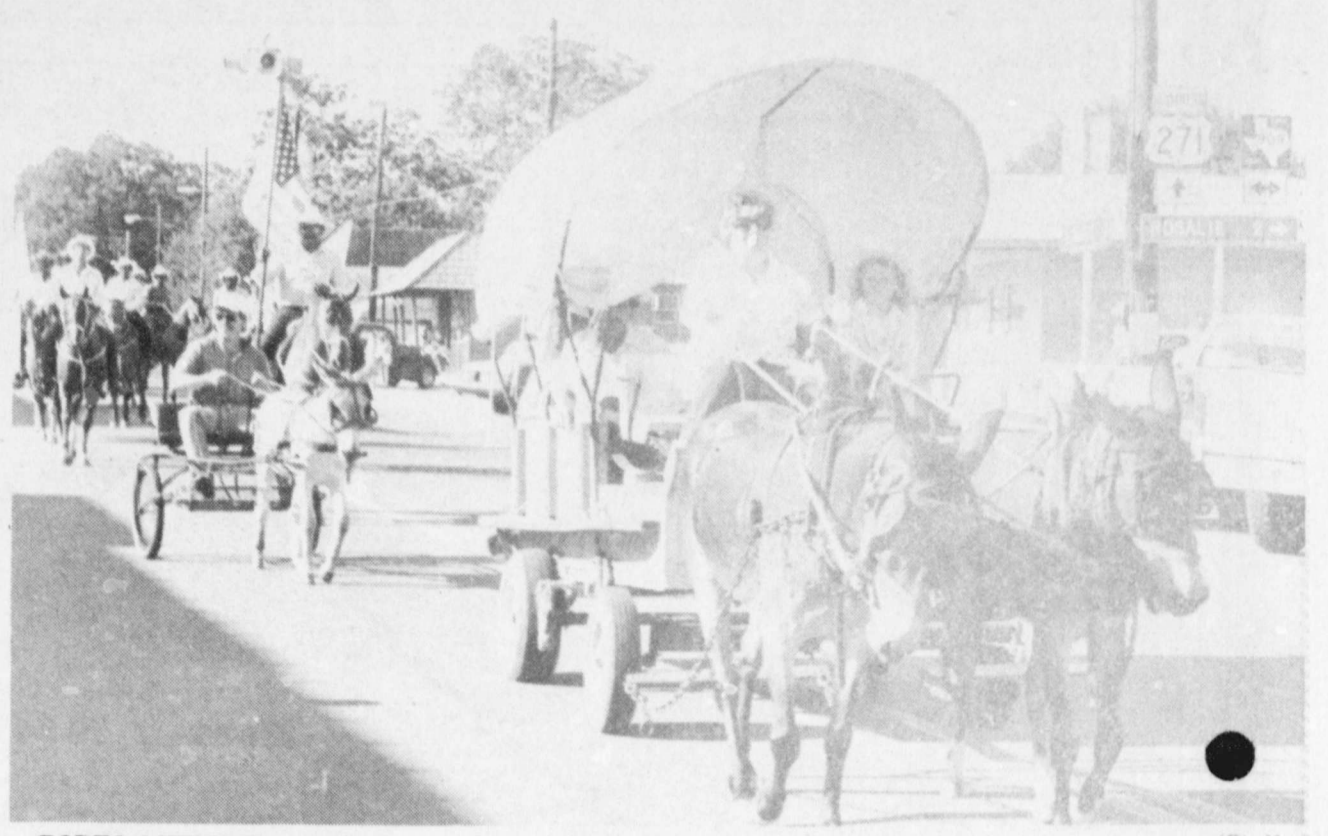
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SEVERAL OF THE HORSES ridden in the Frontier Day Parade on

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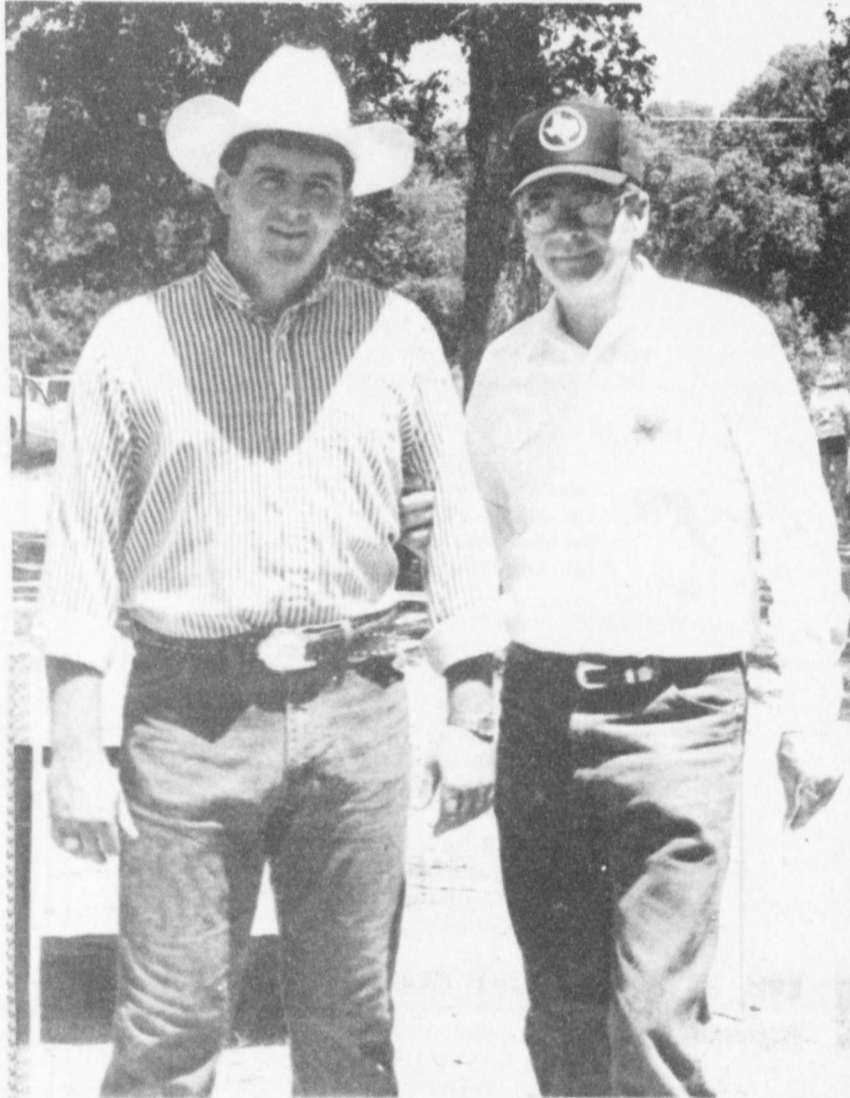
ing a bit frisky and hard to handle. (Staff Photo by Mollie Williams)



RODEO ACTIVITIES were kicked off with a parade on Main Street

in Bogata on Thursday.

(Staff Photo by Mollie Williams)



SHERIFF NEIL ROZELL arrested hombre Donnie Williams and hauled him to the Maple Springs jail right in the middle of his game of horseshoes at the Frontier Day celebration. Filing

the complaint on Williams was his wife, Tina. Donnie was released after promising Tina several weeks of dishwashing, babysitting and other miscellaneous chores. (Staff Photo by Mollie Williams)



ARTS AND CRAFTS were added attractions to the Frontier Day celebration held Saturday. Wood crafts, needlework, ceramics and paintings were on display for those just looking or for those wishing to buy. (Staff Photo by Mollie Williams)



CHAD LEGATE takes his turn on the seat of the dunking booth at the Bogata Frontier Day and Art Show

held at the Community Center Saturday. (Staff Photo by Mollie Williams)



TEXAS entertained those attending the Frontier Day and Art Show at the Community Center on

Saturday. Members of the band are Brad Branch, Wade White, Russell Rozell, Marty Burns and

Michael Willis. (Staff Photo by Mollie Williams)

FRONTIER DAYS



RODEO DAYS



W.D. HOLT of Sugarhill demonstrated his talents of wood sculpture with a chain saw at the

Frontier Day and Art Show on Saturday. (Staff Photo by Mollie Williams)



THE BOGATA Lioness Club kept the skillet hot making funnel cakes for those attending Frontier Days

and Art Show on Saturday. (Staff Photo by Mollie Williams)

# Declaration of Independence Has Special Meaning To WWII Vet

**By Mollie Williams**  
To those veterans who have braved the battlefields of war in defense of our country, I'm sure the words penned in the Declaration of Independence have a much greater meaning than to those of us who have only a secondary account of those battles. Those famous words "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of

happiness—that to secure those rights, Governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed. That whenever any form of government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the right of the people to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their safety and happiness."  
One of those who more fully

understands the meaning of these words is Bogata resident and World War II veteran, Bill White. Bill fought with the Fourth Marine Division, was wounded at Iwo Jima, and received a Purple Heart for his bravery. He recently had a brass plate made inscribed with his name, the Fourth Marine Division, dates of service in the Marines, a duplicate of the arm patch and Marine Corp emblem worn on his cap, a duplicate of the Purple Heart medal awarded for his bravery on Iwo Jima and the other islands on which he fought.

Bill enlisted in the Marines in October, 1943, disregarding a deferment his father had gotten for him. His father owned a ranch and had a large corn crop in Sulphur Bottom. Bill would pull corn all day and at night go into town for recreation. Most of Bill's buddies had already gone to the service and weren't around to pal around with at night. Finally, tired of the corn patch and missing his friends, Bill told his dad he didn't want the deferment any longer. Bill recalls with a sheepish grin, his father's reply, "Well, son, there's some things in life you'll have to learn for yourself, so go ahead and enlist." Bill did just that the very next day.

Bill was sent to Camp Pendleton for training. He remembers arriving at the camp around midnight with several other recruits. As the apprehensive greenhorns scrambled to get off the bus, a Marine Sergeant began to curse and belittle them. "At that moment," Bill says, "I knew exactly what my daddy was talking about."

After extensive training, Bill along with others, was sent to San Diego and from there boarded a ship for Honolulu where he received a three-day pass before sailing for the Division's first mission.

The Fourth Marine Division, of which Bill was a part, set three new records on its first operation, it became the first division to go directly into combat from the United States,

it was the first to capture Japanese mandated territory in the Pacific and it secured its objective in a shorter time than that of any other important operation since the attack on Pearl Harbor.

Bill recalls that not until the big convoy had passed the Hawaiian Islands was its destination revealed to all hands, the twin islands of Roi-Namur in the Kwajalein Atoll of the Marshall Islands. As those in charge began to brief the men on Operation Flintlock, Bill says there was a strong urge to be back home pulling corn in Sulphur Bottom, but it was too late. Bill remembers arriving on the islands and the deep sand, white as snow and the dead vegetation from the bombing and shelling of the islands by the ships of the naval task force and aircraft of the Fast Carrier Force in support of the Fourth Division. Although the islands were highly defended by the Japanese, they were secured within approximately three weeks. Shaking his head as though the pictures are still all too clear in his mind, Bill tells about seeing one of the ghastliest sights he saw in all his days of combat, a trenchful of enemy soldiers who had committed hari-kari by placing the muzzle of their rifles under their chins and pulling the triggers with their toes.

He recalls that dozens lay sprawled in this grotesque posture of suicide, a means to an end, typifying the spirit of hopelessness which surrounded the Jap soldiers. Bill remembers watching as the trucks and dozers picked up the bodies, dumping them into its and covering them with sand.

After a short rest and regrouping, the Division sailed for Saipan, capital and stronghold of the Marianas Islands. Pointing to a spot on the map of Saipan, Bill explains how that at that place, called Marpi Point, from their position on the cliffs, they watched as Japanese soldiers urged fleeing civilians to throw their children and then themselves onto the sharp jagged rocks below rather than be

taken prisoner by the Americans. Surrender pleas and promises of food and safety to the civilians by an interpreter were largely in vain. Many who wished to do so were prevented by Japanese soldiers. On July 9, after 25 days of continuous fighting, Old Glory went up on Marpi Point.

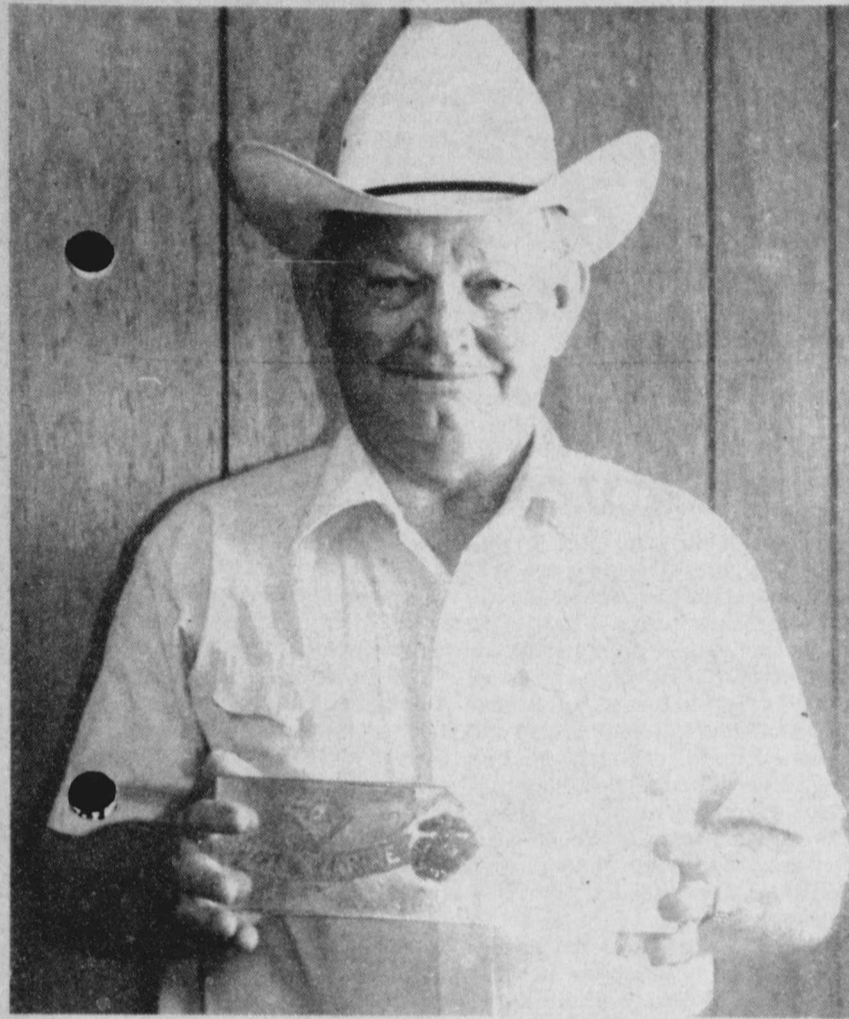
Two weeks later, Bill White along with those of the Fourth Division, made the beachhead on Tinian. The initial plan presented to Bill and the other Marines was to sneak in the back door while the Japs waited at the front. After securing the island, pleas of surrender again went out to those still remaining. Bill mentions with gratefulness, the fact recorded in history that at the end of this battle, "Japanese fanaticism had lured a few score to their deaths, but American persuasiveness had saved thousands of others."

Bill was shot by a plane in Iwo Jima after two days in battle there. He was loaded along with other wounded soldiers and shipped to a hospital in

Guam. After two weeks there, he was sent to San Francisco, then to San Diego and released after several weeks of stay in the hospital there.

Bill returned to the states in 1945. He married Noma Jean Bell in 1946. To this union, a son, Ronnie, was born in 1948. Ronnie is a special son, due to injury to his brain received at birth. Noma Jean White passed away in 1986. Bill and Ronnie live together in their lovely home on 271 Highway in Bogata. They enjoy camping, working with their cows and horses and traveling.

Yes, the Declaration of Independence, and Old Glory have special meaning to veteran Bill White. From his time spent in battles on foreign soils, he has seen results of forms of governments which have become destructive to the rights of others and he has done his part in helping to "institute new government, laying its foundation on principles and organizing its powers in such form to most likely effect their safety and happiness."



WORLD WAR II Veteran, Bill White, shows his brass plate inscribed with emblems and records of his service record and a duplicate of the purple heart medal he was awarded for acts of

bravery on Iwo Jima. The plate is to be attached to his monument which will be placed on his grave at his death. (Staff Photo by Mollie Williams)

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## Puckett Family Reunion Held

Descendants of D.S. Puckett met at Bogata Community Center on Saturday, June 20 for a family reunion.

Those attending were Steve and Jo Ann Weddle and children from Alvin, Bill and Kathy Leslie of Balch Springs, Sue Hudson, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Puckett, Dave Puckett, and Mr. and Mrs. Gaston Puckett, Bogata; Debbie and Kimberly Dunham of Commerce; Bobbie Elliott from Crosby; Morris and Arlene Weddle and Jimmy Weddle from Dallas; Billie, Kenny and Justin

Puckett and Kyle Puckett from Denton; Rhonda Burns of Deport; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Gordon and family of Desoto; Kenny, Glenna and Justin Banning of Huffman; Mark and Dena Westlake, David and Mindy from Irving; Karla Puckett Prince and Leslie from Krum, Mr. and Mrs. George Puckett, Steve and Debbie Sherrill and boys, Sonia Puckett and Mark Harper from Mesquite; Evy English from Mineola; Michael, Kimberly and Amanda Weddle from Rowlett; Leona Weddle of Tyler and Mary Colflesh from Venus.

## Stevens Family Reunion Held

Families of the late Allison and Fannie Latimer Stevens met Sunday, June 28 at the Bogata Community Center. Thirty-one attended.

Bill and Wanza Reece, Lubbock, Delbert and Shirley Henry and Oran Stevens, Hurst, John and Nina Pybus, Grand Prairie, Horace and Billie Welch, Blossom, Kelli DuPree, Houston, Alan, Rhonda, David and Scott Hale, Elaine Burgess, Sam and Aileen Hale, Winifred Bishop, Pat Smith, Choice and Sandra Taylor,

Clarksville, Carol Baker, Casey and James Gaddis, Mt. Pleasant, Christine Baker, Ruby Corbell, Bill and Mildred Eudy, John David Huguons, Tommie and Glenda Corbell, Bogata.

Saturday visitors of Ruby Corbell an Christine Baker were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Reece, Lubbock, Elaine Burgess, Clarksville, Craig, Lynn and daughter Kelsey Yale and Peggy Yale, Ft. Worth, John and Nina Pybus, Grand Prairie and Mildred Eudy.

## Talco Oilers Spend Day At Crystal Springs

The Talco Oilers softball team and their guests enjoyed the day Saturday at Crystal Springs at Maud with a picnic and water fun for their end of the season party.

Those attending were Jill Milner, Christi Milner, Kristy Boyd, Katy Ross, Heather Ross, Kristi Goates, Ginger Harris, Angela Sargent, Mrs.

Linda Parish and Tiffany, Mrs. Linda Wisinger, Kristie and Sherry, Mrs. Joyce Franks, Stephanie, Melanie and Amanda, Mrs. Carol Sue Whitney, Jackie and Faye, and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Russell and Jerilyn. The Oilers won first place in their division.

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**Talco VFD Holds Annual Fishfry**

The Talco Volunteer Fire Department held their annual fish fry Saturday at the Fireman's Hall. Approximately 30 people enjoyed fish and frog legs and all the trimmings. The fish and frogs were caught by members of the department.

After everyone finished eating, Fire Chief Randy Carroll talked a little about each member of the fire department and presented some awards. At the fish fry, the members vote for a Fireman of the Year, Rookie of the Year, and this year EMS of the Year and awards are presented to the winners. This year's winners are Harvey Ross for Fireman of the Year, Billy Albertson for Rookie of the Year, and Jean Stockton for EMS of the Year.

Randy recognized each member of the fire department with a summary of the year's served so far and duties and assistance to the department.

Those recognized were: Wayne Binion who has been on the team since October, 1981. He was instrumental in obtaining a tanker truck from Conoco for use in fighting fires where a lot of water is needed. He has attended advanced First Aid Classes and the Hazard Materials School that the Mt. Pleasant Fire Department held. He is also a Boy Scout leader of the Explorers group of the fire department which is for boys between the ages of 14 and 18.

Ray Parsons joined the team in September, 1980. He has served as first captain for 4 1/2 years. He also attended the Hazard Material and Advanced First Aid Classes.

Harvey Ross joined in October, 1983. He is currently serving as second captain and training officer for the department. He is over the maintenance of all the trucks to make sure they are ready to go when needed. He has attended a weather watch school.

Kenneth Sutherland joined in February of 1986. He currently serves as Training Officer.

Randy Pitts joined in June, 1984. He is serving as Reporter. He has helped in getting the new truck and also keeps the records for the department and has attended Advanced First Aid Classes.

Ricky Nolen has been on the team since February, 1985. Ricky serves as treasurer of the department.

Jimmy McGee joined in February, 1986. Jimmy serves as a leader for the Explorers and helps as Training Officer. He is also a member of the Rescue Squad.

Mike Sloan has been a member since January, 1981. He currently serves as a City Council member and has been very instrumental in the purchasing of the new truck and the pumper.

Morris Brown joined in March, 1981. He currently serves as a fireman and ECA for the Rescue Squad and First Responders. He is a First Aid

and CPR Instructor for the American Red Cross and has attended numerous hours of medical school. He is also a member of the First Responders.

Clarence Watts joined in January, 1980. He serves as fireman and has attended Advanced First Aid Classes and currently keeps the Rescue Unit at his home and is a member of the First Responders.

Cindy Watts joined the department in February, 1986. She is also a member of the First Responders.

Mona Pitts joined in February, 1986. She has taken Advanced First Aid and is also a member of the Rescue Squad.

Lisa Carroll joined the fire department in February of 1986 and is serving as a member of the Rescue Squad. She is currently going to school to

reach the Paramedic I classification of the rescue team.

Kim McGee joined in September, 1986. She serves the fire department and the Rescue Squad.

Billy Albertson joined in January of 1987 and is a fireman and long distance runner. Sometimes he is known to beat some of the firemen to the station by running.

Jimmy Metleff joined in January of 1987, along with Gary House who joined in March of this year.

Others that were recognized were Jim Carroll, who joined the department in March, 1979, but is currently attending school to achieve the Paramedic II level for the Rescue Squad and Jean Stockton who joined the First Responders in October, 1985. She is also attending Paramedic School to achieve the Level II.

After all was said about the other members, Mike Sloan mentioned that Randy forgot to say something about himself. All the information that Randy would give was that he joined the department in 1974. Some of the other members remember he has served as fire chief since at least 1981. He has built the department to what it is today, a more dependable and qualified fire department. He was instrumental in starting the Rescue Squad in Talco which was much needed. Randy is always pushing for better fire and rescue services in and around Talco. He is also attending the Paramedic II School.

Even though this was the smallest gathering for the fish fry, it was deemed a success.

**Bogata Locals**

Durwood Wims of Grand Prairie spent Saturday with his father, Carl Wims of Red River Haven.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Legate attended the funeral of their daughter, Mrs. Freddie (Lucille) Hill in Glen Allen.

Mississippi over the weekend. She was killed in a car accident. They accompanied another daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J.O. Wimberley of Littlefield and a granddaughter, Mrs. Joe Roach and Anna of Mt. Vernon.

**Johntown News**

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Travis Watts over the weekend were Lois Boyd and Mickey of Grand Prairie and sister, Lela Porter of Dallas. On Sunday, they traveled to Piney Woods for lunch with Shirley Allums of Johntown, Teresa Byron, Lori Alford, April Morseman, Russell Rozell and Krisha Allums, all of Bogata. Mr. and Mrs. Travis Watts and Lela Porter attended church services while there.

Mr. and Mrs. Buford Hood attended a going away party for Mr. and Mrs. William Rolan and Phillip at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Cawley

Saturday night. Jamin and Jerah Graham of Rivercrest Heights are spending the week with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Graham of Bullard.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Rhodes of Rivercrest Heights are vacationing with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Rolan and Leah in New Mexico and Colorado.

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Roberts over the weekend were their daughter, Mrs. Patsy Collins and her grandsons, Chris and Clay Hiltzman of Longview. They attended the rodeo and Frontier Day celebration.

Mrs. Darlene Hutcheson and son Clay visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Horn and attended the rodeo.

**New Residents To Johntown**

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Estill of Ft. Worth are moving to Johntown to make their home.

Mrs. Estil is the former Nancy Askins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Askins. She was born in Johntown, then moved to Ft. Worth where she met and married Bobby Estill. They have three children, Debbie Burkhalter and Bruce of Ft. Worth and Vickie Estill of New York City.

Mr. Estill worked for The Dallas Times Herald for several years. He will be semi-retired. Nancy worked in the Ft. Worth school system.

Residents of the Johntown community are proud to have the Estills as they are no strangers in the community. The Askins, Wesley and Beatrice were born in Johntown and have lived here most of their lives.

**Milo Should Be Checked For Midge**

By Paul D. Payne  
 All milo that blooms from now on this season should be checked daily for midge. Midge numbers are built up and present a serious threat to the milo crop if not treated.

The adult sorghum midge is a tiny, fragile-looking, orange colored fly. Damage results from larvae that hatch from eggs deposited by female midge in spikelets of flowering heads. Each female may deposit about 50 tiny, yellowish-white eggs during her short lifetime of less than 24 hours. An orange colored maggot hatches from the egg and feeds on the newly fertilized grain, thereby preventing kernel development.

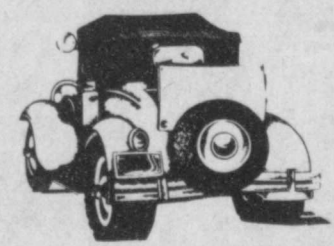
Since midge lay eggs in flowering heads, damage can occur until the entire head or field of sorghum has flowered. The individual head flowers starting at the top. It normally takes from seven to nine days for an individual head to flower. However, the 87 milo stand is not uniform, and it will take several days for blooming to take place in most fields. As a result, more than one application of an insecticide may be needed to control midge.

Entomologist have determined that an economic damage level has been

reached when 25 percent of a field is blooming and an average of one midge is found per head. This same "thumb rule" can be used during the bloom period.

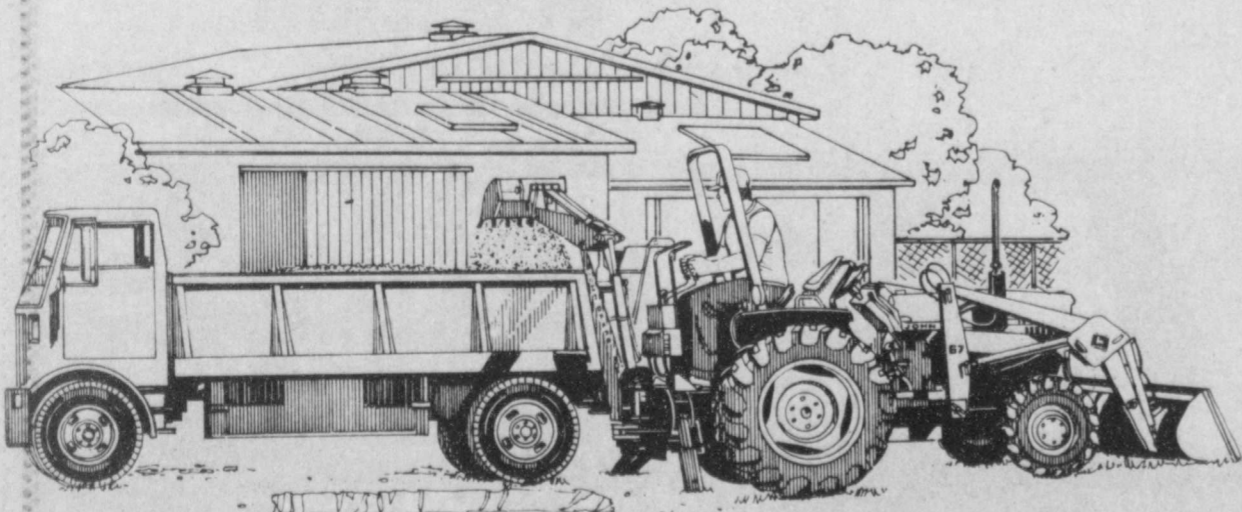
After an initial treatment one should retreat in three to five days if the infestation level is at the one per head level or greater. This will not mean that the first treatment was not good, but that the residue of the insecticide has dissipated and new midge have hatched.

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**DIXIE BELLE All Stars**, ages 13-15 division, were named in closing ceremonies in Mt. Pleasant Thursday night. This year's state tournament will be hosted by Mt. Pleasant and will begin the weeknd of July 18 at Edwards

Field. All Stars kneeling, left to right, are: Jerilyn Pope, Sherl Brown, Jerilyn Russell, Julie Martin, Michelle Evans. Standing, left to right, are: Coach Jerry Russell, Stacey Wisinger, Donna Cannon, Kelly McConnell, Kristie Eudy,

Charlotte Johnson, Regina English, Jill Milner and Coach Harry Farragh. Not pictured are Coach Kenny Slawson and Leslie Harris. (Staff Photo by Jelu Binion)



**FIRST PLACE** trophies were presented to the Talco Oilers at Edwards Field in Mt. Pleasant Thursday night. Kneeling, left to right, are: Melanie Franks, Jerilyn Russell, Kristy Boyd, Tif-

fany Prish, Christi Milner and Faye Whitney. Standing, left to right are: Manager Joyce Franks, Michelle Milner, Kelley Reaves, Kristie Eudy, Jill Milner, Katy Ress and Chaperone Barbara

Russell. The team was sponsored by Simmons Contractors and Talco State Bank and coached by Kenny Slawson and Jerry Russell. (Staff Photo by Jelu Binion)



**AT CLOSING** ceremonies Thursday night, Melanie Franks was presented a \$50.00 check from the Mt. Pleasant Girls Softball League for selling the most cleaner in the Dixie Belles' fund raising event. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Franks. Melanie played second base on the Talco Oilers team. (Photo by Jelu Binion)

## Talco Locals

Mr. and Mrs. George Bureson of Grand Prairie and Mrs. Elizabeth Garretson of Mt. Vernon visited Mr. and Mrs. Wayman Alexander and Mrs. Gladys Garretson in the Alexander home on Sunday.

Chad and Shana Dodd, Matt Cooper and Shannon Parsons are visiting Noline Caldwell. Shana was carried to the emergency room Saturday night with an eye injury.

Cody and Brenda White, Jason and Jared spent a couple of days at Eureka Springs last week.

The youth at the First Baptist Church held a Water Carnival last Thursday. The kids enjoyed all kinds of water games for some good clean fun. Afterwards they had homemade ice cream.

The ladies of the First Baptist Church honored their pastor and his wife, Bro. Gary and Lola House, with a surprise reception for their 20th wedding anniversary. They presented

the Houses with a friendship quilt. Mr. and Mrs. W.C. Fry and J.W. Kassie and Jeromia Stinson of Whitehead and Mr. and Mrs. C.R. Pittman attended the Blalock reunion at Cedar Creek Lake in Oklahoma over the weekend.

The Maple Springs Annual School reunion will be Saturday, July 4 at the Maple Springs Church pavillion located 4 1/2 miles east of Talco on highway 71. A covered dish will be served at noon. Everyone is invited. For more information contact W.C. Fry, president at 379-5372.

Recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Thompson were her cousin and his family, Jeff and Elaine Smith and Kelley of Hobbs, NM.

Dale and Staci Griffin and Cheryl spent from Monday until Thursday, June 18 at Beavers Bend in Oklahoma. While away, Cheryl celebrated her fourth birthday.

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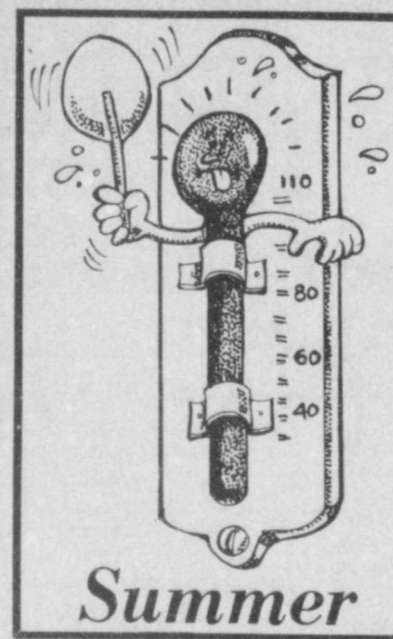
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