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We may mean what we see, but we don't always say ay what we mean! **Texas Press Association has** run another list of "newspaper headlines to ponder over".

One can usually figure out what is meant by the headlines, what they actually say is something entirely different.

It isn't as if these are the only examples like this ..... we've had some here at Thunder Prairie. One that comes to mind is a line not long ago which I caught at the last minute. It said " such and such quartet provided music so and so and so and so took a break to dance to the music they performed." This meant that the couple were dancing to music the quartet performed...but actually says they danced to music they themselves, performed!

Anyway, here are a few more headlines to hopefully make you smile.

"Include your children when baking cookies".

"Something went wrong in jet crash, expert says" (now that took an expert to figure out, didn't it?)

How about "Police begin campaign to run down jaywalkers" (that will stop them once and for all ).

"Miners refuse to work after death". How unreasonable of them!

"Stolen painting found by tree". Reckon the tree had to search in the woods for the painting?

How about "Two sisters reunited after 18 years in checkout line"! I think I've been in that line a time or two.

"War dims hope for peace". No kidding!

How about this little jewel "If strike isn't settled quickly it may last a while".

Another of my favorites is "red tape holds up bridge".



# Buddy's Book is based on true adventures of brother and Barton

#### **By Nanalee Nichols**

Back in 1984 Buddy Cogburn and his brother Gene were driving down the road telling stories from their teenage days, when Buddy was struck by an idea. He decided then and there to write a book about life back in the 1950s in Detroit, Texas, and the adventures his brother had working for Henry Barton of Bagwell. The result is a small volume called "All Round Cowboys With a Texas Limp".

Local people know Henry well, a large, hearty man who has bought and sold livestock and conducted auctions for years.

In this book, Buddy calls Henry "Big John Hannah" and brother Gene is "Tooney". He grins as he says "for every character in that book I have a real person in mind". When asked why he didn't use actual names he says "well, some of those people were bootleggers or others and I don't want to hurt or embarrass anyone"

Buddy never intended to try for a national market with his self-published book, but rather set out to preserve a way of life which is vanishing.

Buddy says that the most realistic portions of the book are those describing what life was like on the main street of Detroit.

"The domino players, hardware store owners and general characters are all gone now" he says sadly, "no one has time to stop and visit or play dominos.

The gist of most of the stories in the book is that when "Tooney" and "Big John" and Tooney's buddy Luther" go off together to do a "little" job the job is never little, simple, easy or short. Each time they swear they will never go off with Big John again, and each time his powers of persuasion and the lure of some extra money leads them off with him on yet another escapade.

Big John and his teenage sidekicks are hilariously funny to anyone who has ever worked cattle (or goats) , repaired an old truck, built fence or taken part in rural life the way it used to be. There is the ring of authenticity to the stories, leaving no doubt in the reader's mind that the author knows what he is writing about. One can almost smell home made biscuits cooking in some of the opening chapter.

Henry Barton, on whom Big John is structured, loves the book . He reads it at least once a year, and gets a big laugh and a whole lot of rich, wonderful memories every time. He doesn't deny anything!

Author Buddy Cogburn is a story unto himself. He comes from a family of four brothers and one sister. Buddy has been a Church of Christ preacher for over 30 years, and retired in January of 1996. He preaches part-time now, but when he worked full time he traveled and lived all over the nation. In fact, he lived in Iona, Kansas when his book was being written.

Brother Gene, who appears in the book, is also a minister for the Church of Christ, and lives in South Beloit, Wisconsin. Benny Cogburn is well known in the area, he also is a minister for the Church of Christ, and runs Detroit Upholstery, which refinishes antiques and upholsters all kinds of furniture. The other brother, Johnny, coaches basketball in Moulton, Texas and he has preached part-time. Their sister, Mary Kasinger, lives in Dallas.

Buddy and his wife have a trailer and van and now that they are "retired" go to lots of flea markets. He always has his book on display, and ends up selling several each week. They are good conversation starters, he says, and he always is willing to autograph them for the buyer.

Buddy marketed the book through distributors in all the major cities in Texas- Dallas, Houston, San Antonio, Amarillo and El Paso. He had 5000 copies run of the

book, and only has a few hundred left. He credits his wife, Esther, with getting him to write the book. "She wanted me to do this" he smiles.

Buddy has a second manuscript together, and has even talked with an agent who says he would put both the published book and the follow-up manuscript together and try and get it published, but Buddy isn't really that interested in going "Whole Hog" to get it sold nation-wide. His purpose seems to have been achieved, he has set down stories and documented a vanishing way of life.

The book is illustrated by an artist named Gary Hawk, who just happened to be living in Iona when Buddy was. He is a well known artist, and even presented a first edition printing of his famous portrait of Doc Adams (Milburn Stone), from the "Gunsmoke" series to President Ronald Reagan. This print hung in the White House.

"I knew the book would sell locally" Buddy says, "local folks were really eager to buy a copy of it". Some of the stories in that slender

book are pretty tall, in the best Texas tradition of tall tales. When asked how much of the book

is true there is a sparkle in Buddy Cogburn's eye as he thinks a moment and grins "at least 75% of those stories are completely true!". Those who know Buddy, and the characters in the book, will tell you that some of the more outlandish tales are the true ones!

Anyone wishing to buy the book may get one at Detroit Upholstery, or if they send \$5 to Buddy Cogburn at Rt. 1, Box 18-4, Detroit, Texas 75436,



Buddy Cogburn (left) looks over his book "All Round Cowboys with a Texas Limp" with Henry Barton, who was model for one of the book's main characters.



**KELSEY FRANKS-Talco Kindergarten student displays one of** the many books that will be on sale at the Talco Book Fair being held March 24-April 3. The Talco Librarian, Teri Cabell is spon-

Hope it's really strong tape:

A truly horrifying headline is "prostitutes appeal to Pope" Then there is "British left waffles on Falkland Islands". Now there is one thing I don't think is fair ... and that is that the voice media can say these things and it goes by so fast people say "did they really say what I think they said?". There is no way to replay the statement, though, and it passes by. We who must chisel our words in the stone of print can be checked, re-checked, passed around and generally laughed at....at times, deservedly, I admit!

Letter to the Editor:

Dear Nanalee, I enjoy the paper so much. It's like a visit home. We move to G.P. in 1959 but I left a part of me in Talco. So news of relatives and friends is a taste of the life we enjoyed in in Talco. Thaks for the Nichols Worth column, also. Keep up the good work. Sincerely,

**Tommie Clark Burleson** 



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# Talco-Bogata ISD board considering construction of new facilities

for Talco-Bogata ISD? The Talco-Bogata ISD board is considering the possibility of building a new facility adjacent to the present facility at Rivercrest.

The new complex under consideration would provide classrooms for all grades, first through 12th grades. The campuses at Bogata and Talco would be unneeded if the new complex should become a reality.

A Bond Election would need to be called and an election held to fund the

Could a new school be in the future project that could cost as much as 7.5 the board could actually save the tax million dollars to construct.

One reason for the proposal is the need for major repairs and/or complete reconstruction of the grade school facility in Bogata.

According to school board president, Eddie Brown, the building in Bogata is in dire need of repairs. A new air conditioning system is needed, many of the floors in the building are separated from the wall, the gymnasium is in terrible shape. The proposal under consideration by

Fire truck tabled

The Titus County Commissioner's

Court met Monday, March 23rd with all commissioners present but the county judge absent. The court approved the purchase

of new one ton, 4x4 V10 Ford Trucks for four of the county's volunteer fire departments.

One of the trucks will be for Mt. Pleasant, one for Tri-Lakes, one for Five Star and for Winfield.

Cypress Ford of Mt. Pleasant presented the lowest bid of \$21,752.80

payers tax dollars in the future.

Another consideration by the board is the need for a new roof for the high school at Rivercrest. This could cost as much as \$600,000.

A bond election could be brought before the tax payers to fund a new facility as well as repairs to the Rivercrest Campus some time this year.

A committee made up of citizens from Bogata and Talco communities have been selected to review the campuses in Bogata, Talco and Rivercrest.

per truck.

The bid for a new 1 1/2 ton truck for the city of Talco equipped as a mini-pumper with a mid drif pump and a WEPS Foam Unit for grass and oil field related fires were opened. The truck and equipment bids combined, ranged from \$80,000 to \$90,000

The court voted to table the issue until the next meeting set for Monday, April 6th.

The hostess passed out gift sacks

with instructions of not opening them

immediately. A gam of musical gift

sacks was played. The sacks were

filled with all kinds of goodies. Even

though it was rainy outside, it was

sunny and fun inside.

### Secret Pals of Talco meet March 16 and brownies were also served.

St. Patrick's was the theme for the Secret Pals supper held March 16, 1998. The Secret Pals are a group of ladies who meet 10 months out of the year to enjoy friendship and fellowship

The ladies contributed to a hot dog super with all the trimmings, tea and soft drinks, peach cobbler, cookies

### Book Fair to be held at Talco School

Troll Book Fair beginning March 24-April 3. Proceeds from the book fair will be used to purchase a computer for the library.

The Book Fair began on Tuesday

The Talco Library is sponsoring a night at the Talco Open House. A drawing for a \$5 gift certificate was held in each class on Tuesday. Winners were able to make their purchases after Open House or during their scheduled library times.

soring the fair and all proceeds from the sales will be used to purchase a computer for the library.

Staff Photo Nancy Brown



the winner will be drawn at the Talco Park Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 11. Proceeds from the sales will go to help the team be able to attend tournaments throughout the season and to supply drinks and food for the girls.

The Red River Valley Girls Dixie League will meet on April 2, 1998 at 6:00 pm at the First Federal building in Clarksville. League fees must be paid, rosters turned in and scheduels for the coming season will be set. The 7 & 8 girls schedule will be set at 6:00, 9 & 10 schedule at 7:00 and 11 and up set at 8:00 pm.

The Dixie Youth Red River Valley Boys League will meet on Sunday, March 29 at 2:00 pm atthe Marris Chapel Church in Rugby. All teams must turn in their rosters and pay their league fees at this time. For more information contact Keye Lee, league secretary

# First Baptist Church reports successful revival

Baptist Church, Talco last week was a great success. Pastor Don Jensen with his wife, Vi from Grand Prairie arrived Sunday afternoon in their mobile home, parked it at the church and stayed for the week. Bro. Jensen preached Sunday night and again on Wednesday night and also the Sunday morning service March 22.

Plan to attend the Talco Baseball/

Softball Association recreational co-

ed softball tournament on Saturday.

March 28 at the Talco field. A bris-

ket meal will be served and a homerun

hitting contest will be held. Come out

Egg Hunt will be held on April 11,

1998 beginning at 11:00 a.m. Over

2000 eggs including prize eggs will

be hidden for ages pre-school through

4th grade students and up. For more

information contact Judy Sloan at

The Rivercrest Varsity and Junior

Varsity Cheerleader try-outs will

be held on April 4 at 10:00 am at

The Talco 9 & 10 year old girls

softball team, the Fillies, are selling

chances on two stuffed Easter Bun-

nies. The chances are .50¢ each and

The Annual Talco Park Easter

and join the fun.

379-7621.

Rivercrest.

Pastor James Schaffer and wife Billie drove over Monday afternoon from Winnsboro. He was the Monday night speaker.

Pastor B.B. Hindman of Wills Point preached the Tuesday night service. His wife, Durie and daughter and son-in-law, Glenda and Killer Miller accompanied them.

Thursday night Pastor Johnny Umphries from Taylor, Arkansas brought the message. He was accompanied by wife, Carolyn. While here they visited the Red River Health Care Center in Bogata.

Pastor Barney Treece from Mineral Springs, Arkansas preached the Friday night message. He brought

The Past Pastors revival at the First with him his daughter, Teresa and deacon, Lewis Caldwell. After church services the church surprised Bro. Jensen with a cake and ice cream supper in honor of his 79th birthday.

Saturday night was youth night. Keith Mitchell, Youth and Music Director of the Friendship Baptist Church in mesquite was the speaker. He is the son-in-law of the present church pastor, Bro. Ray Gee Jr. His wife Christie accompanied him. After church services the young people enjoyed a pizza supper.

Bro. Jensen brought the Sunday morning message and after services most everyone stayed for lunch in the church fellowship hall. Sunday night Bro. Bo Brown preached his first sermon after he was called to preach. The service ended with a baptismal service. The week was spent with lots of laughter, tears, prayers and reminiscing. Out of town singers were; Vi Jensen, Bro. and Mrs. Gary House, Ashley Cline and Christie Mitchell

TALCO SCHOOL EM-

**PLOYEE OF THE WEEK-this** 

week is Mary Jane Savage.

Mary Jane is a teachers aide at

the school and has worked in

the system for 8 years. She spent

her first two years as an em-

ployee at the Bogata campus

before switching to the Talco

campus. She is a graduate of

**Rivercrest High School. Mary** 

Jane has four children, twin

daughters, Monica and Mo-

nique, Megan and Jamal. The

girls are all students at Talco.

Mary Jane attendes college at

North East Texas Community

College in the evenings where

she is taking computer courses.

She says she has little time for

hobbies with her work, school

and spending the small amount

of spare time with her children.

Mary Jane received flowers and

a card from Backroom Floral

Staff Photo Nancy Brown

Designs in Bogata.



March 26, 1998

Coconut Cakes!

With Easter a little over 2 weeks away, I came upon these Coconut cake recipes that I thought everyone might enjoy. Easter always reminds me of coconut cakes with that delicious Seven-Minute Frosting piled high and coconut covering on top. This frosting takes a little extra time to make, but is so rich and delicious. Nothing like "licking" the spoon or beaters.

The first recipe, Mama's Coconut Cake, is made with fresh shredded coconut and uses the coconut juice in a syrup to drizzle over the cake before frosting. The directions they gave for cracking a coconut to get the meat out was to punch holes in both of the "eyes" of the coconut

first and drain the juice. Use a hammer to crack the shell and break the coconut open. Then pry the meat away from the shell with a knife or clean screwdriver. Remove the brown skin from the meat, using a vegetable peeler. Shred the coconut meat with a grater or food processor. This take a little more time, but is well worth the effort.

The recipe for Nanny's Famous Coconut Pineapple Cake uses the coconut that is found in the freezer section of your supermarket. This has much the same flavor of fresh coconut, less the juice. It uses a Pineapple Filling in the center with a Cream Cheese Frosting on the top and sides.

#### Mama's Coconut Cake cup unsalted butter-softened 2 cups sugar

2-2/3 cup all-purpose flour 1-1/2 teaspoons baking powder 1/2 teaspoon salt l cup milk l teaspoon vanilla extract egg whites coconut

-3 tablespoons sugar

Beat butter at medium speed with an electric mixer until creamy; gradually add 2 cups sugar, beating well. Combine flour, baking powder and salt; add alternately to butter mixture with milk, beginning and ending with flour mixture. Beat at low speed until blended after each addition. Stir in vanilla. Beat egg whites until soft peaks form; fold into batter. Pour batter into three greased and floured 9-inch round cakepans. Bake at 375 degrees for 25 to 30 minutes or until a wooden pick inserted into center comes out clean. Cool in pans on wire racks 10 minutes' remove from pans and cool completely on racks. Pierce "eyes" of coconut with ice pick. Pour liquid through a fine wire-mesh strainer into a I-cup liquid measuring cup; add enough water to measure I cup, if necessary. Set aside. Crack coconut and shred. Cook liquid and 2-3 tablespoons sugar in a small saucepan over medium-low heat, stirring constantly until sugar is dissolved. Remove ccoconut syrup from heat. Frost with Seven Minute Frosting and shredded fresh coconut. Seven-Minute Frosting

4 egg whites

3 cups cake flour-sifted I teaspoon lemon extract l teaspoon vanilla extract **Pineapple Frosting** Cream Cheese Frosting l(16 ounce)package frozen flaked coco-

nut-thawed Grease bottom and sides of three 9 inch round cakepans; line bottom with wax paper. Grease and flour wax paper. Drain pineapple, reserving 3/4 cup juice. Remove I/4 cup reserved juice for Cream Cheese Frosting and reserve crushed pineapple for Pineapple Filling. Beat butter at medium speed with an electric mixer until creamy; gradually add sugar, beating well. Add eggs, one at a time, beating until well blended after each addition. Combine 1/2 cup reserved pineapple juice and soft drink. Add flour to butter mixture alternately with juice mixture, beginning and ending with flour. Beat at low speed until blended after each addition. Stir in flavorings Pour into prepared cakepans. Bake at 350 degrees for 25-30 minutes or until wooden pick is inserted in center to come out clean. Remove from pans immediately; cool on wire racks. Spread 3/4 cup Pineapple Filling between cake layers and remaining filling on top of cake. Spread Cream Cheese Frosting on sides of cake' pipe border around top, if desired.

#### **Pineapple Filling**

2 cups sugar 1/4 cup cornstarch I cup reserved drained crushed pineapple

l cup water

### Thursday, March 26, 1998

#### Card of Thanks

You, the people of the surrounding communities, have come around again for me and my family during my stays in the hospital off and on for the past five months.

In October, I had colon (cancerous) surgery and came out with an iliostomy, which didn't work for me. About two weeks agi, I went back into surgery and had the iliostomy reversed and now I am home and slowly improving.

You, people of the surrounding community, are the reason that you are glad to live in and around the

You" to each and every one. May God bless each of you.

Marla Crump and her sister-inlaw visited Marla's sister in Lavon on

Harold Epps of Mt. Vernon and his mother, Ethel Epps had lunch and visited Thursday.

Fulbright

News

By Betty Rodgers

652-6051

On Saturday, March 21, a Ladies

Day was conducted at the Fouke, AR

Church of Christ. The theme was

"Rooted and Grounded In Love". Ten

ladies from the Fulbright Church of

Christ attended and enjoyed the

Melissa Arriaga, Karen Baker and

Betty Rodgers enjoyed the hamburger

supper and cake walk at the Detroit

Christian fellowship very much.

Fire Department Saturday.

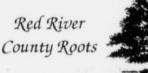
Friday.

Dana Tabb and son of Rosalie visited her grandmother, Mrs. Epps on Sunday and Monday sne and Mrs. Epps went to Paris.

Hurley Stevens has been a patient in Winnsboro Hospital since Thursday and was to have foot surgery on Monday

Betty Rodgers and Faye LaRue visited Thursday.

Sunday, Monte Rodgers, Marcella Wright and Melissa Arriaga visited Betty Rodgers.



Gause, 2216 Piedmont, Irving, Texas 75061. She is researching her husband's great great grandfather, Emery P. Gause, born in Georgia between 1828-30. He lived in Red River County by 1880, but she has been unable to locate him on the 1900 census. She would like information about him, especially when and where he died.

Gause, please do so at the above address. If you have a query you would like to have placed in this column, please send it to the Red ety, P.O. Box 516, Clarksville, Texas

Camp Gambill

There isn't enough words to express the gratitude and appreciation that you all have shown James, our children, Linda and family, Janie and family, Buck and family and myself through prayers, phone calls, food, contributions and blood donations.

people.

Again, I would like to say "Thank

James and Jane Smith

#### Card Of Thanks

We want to thank everyone for their kind words and deeds in the loss of our precious mother and grandmother, Grace Strawn.

The Justin Strawn Family



Thursday at 7:00 p.m. is 42 time. The VFW and its Auxiliary meet every second and fourth Monday at 7:00 p.m.

The VFW Post 8187 no longer has Bingo on Saturday p.m. \* All members are urged to attend



# Obituaries

Noah Davis Poe

Noah Davis Poe, age 91, formerly

of Cunningham, died Friday, March

20 in Parkview Nursing Center, Paris.

22 at 2:00 p.m. in Life Tabernacle

Church in Cunningham with burial

following in Restland Cemetery.

Wood Funeral Homes had charge of

Shady Grove community of Lamar

County, a daughter of Noah Morris

and Elizabeth "Betty" Allen Harmon.

She married John Davis in 1922. She

then moved from Lamar County to

Matador where she worked for many

years at the Matador Hospital. Mr.

Davis preceded her in death in 1977

and she returned to Lamar County

where she resided for 20 years. She

then married Wesley Poe in 1979 and

he died in 1984. She was a member of

Surviving are several nieces and

nephews including Betty Jones and

Faye Ausmus of Paris, Gladys Cotten

of Abilene and Marion and Bernice

Cherry of Cooper. In addition to her

husbands, Mrs. Poe was preceded in

death by two children, Travis and

Bearers were Jeter Cherry, Gary

Andcerson, Buddy Davis, Roy Lee

Davis, David Jones, Steve Jones and

the Life Tabernacle Church.

Frances Davis.

James Norwood.

She was born April 22, 1906 in

Services were held Sunday, March

dies March 20

the arrangements.

### Everett Anson Logan, Sr. dies March 23

Everett Anson (Preacher) Logan. Sr., age 92 of Sugar Hill died Monday, March 23 at his residence.

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Services were scheduled for 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, March 25 at Bates-Cooper-Robison Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. James Bell and Bro. Dean Shumate officiating. Burial will follow in Gladewater Cemetery in Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. Logan was born January 19, 1906 in Titus County, Texas, a son of William and Minerva Smith Logan. He was a retired farmer and cattleman and a long-time member of Harris Chapel Missionary Baptist Church.

Surviving are children, Kenneth and Gay Lee Logan of Mt. Pleasant, Winfred and Wanda Logan of Sugar Hill and Everett and Doris Logan, Jr., of Sugar Hill; grandchildren, Bart Logan, David Logan, Gary Logan, Kenny Logan, Mike Logan, Ricky D. Logan, Roy Logan, Donna Sue Menasco and Karen Jean Murphy; 20 great-grandchildren; one greatgreat-grandchild; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his wife, Maggie Opal Price Logan; two sisters and five brothers. Bearers were David Lynn Logan,

Gary Wayne Logan, Roy Everett Logan, Ricky Don Logan, Kenny Ray Logan and Michael Wallace Logan.

Words cannot express our gratitude for all the wonderful acts of kindness that were shown us during Katie's recent surgery and since she has been home. The phone calls, flowers, visits, food and countless prayers were appreciated more than you will ever know.

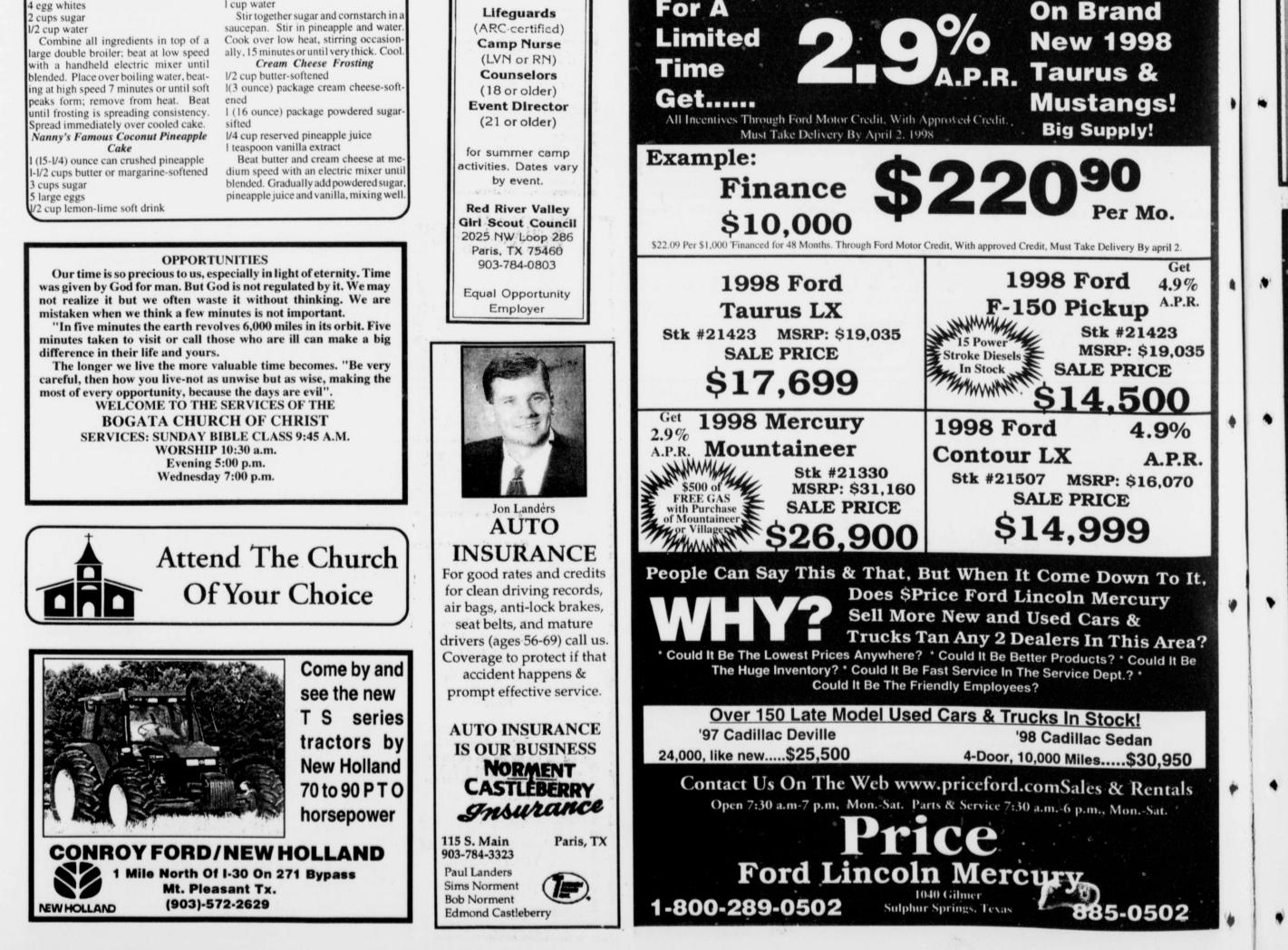
How fortunate our family is to live in such a wonderful, caring community.

God bless you all, Mark, Debbie, Katie, Molly & Sarah Hare



This week's query is from Kathy

If you would like to write to Mrs. River County Genealogical Soci-75426



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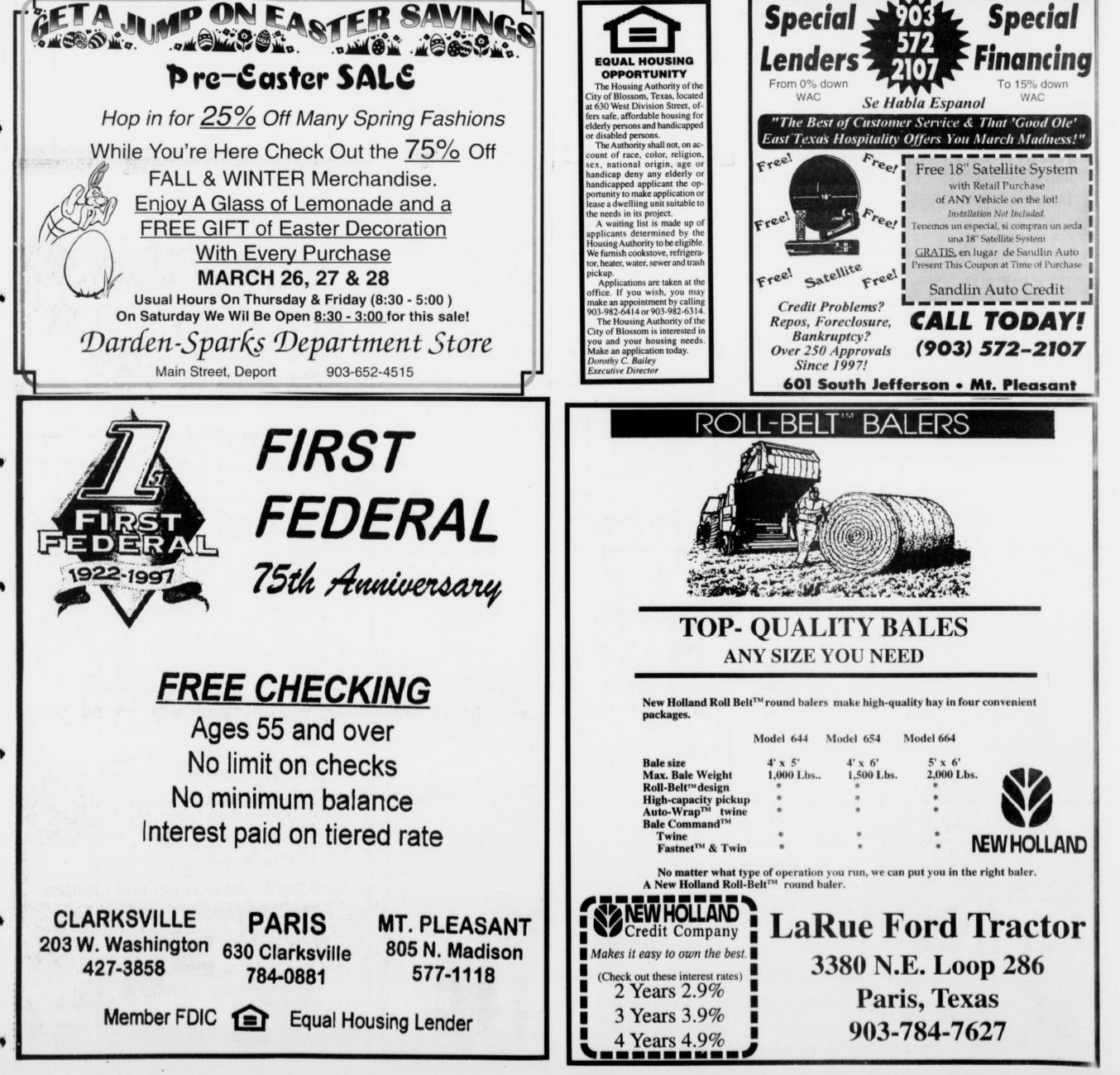
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### Thursday, March 26, 1998



#### RHS students attend state convention Rivercrest High School students Grammar Advanced Level and 4th in

attending the state Pan American Student Forum convention (Spanish Club) in San Antonio March 12-16 were Kembre Baker, Dustin Cook, Broderick Fulbright, Tisha Fulbright, Jennifer Hays, Kristi Hines, Courtney Jones, Cara Morgan, Carolina Prado, Maribel Prado, Bryan Scott, Crystal Seykora, Lisa Shirley, Sara Stanley and Amy Watkins. They were accompanied by Elaine Morgan, Janet Stanley, Craig Ingram and Pam Hays.

While at the convention, the students attended workshops and were entered in Spanish contests. There were three students who placed in the contests; Maribel Prado placed 3rd in.

Reading Advanced Level; Carolina Prado placed 2nd in Reading Second Level and 4th in Grammar 2nd Level and Jennifer Hays placed 2nd in Grammar First Level. There were 1550 students who attended the convention from across the state. Also, Kembre Baker ran for a state

officer position and won the position of State Student Director for PASF. Mrs. Hays said, I am very proud of all of the students who attended the convention, especially the ones who placed in the contests and for Kembre

Cody Wolfe, Myron Ellis and Cole Warren; 110 hurdles- 4th-Cody meter run-1st-Jody Gray, 4th-

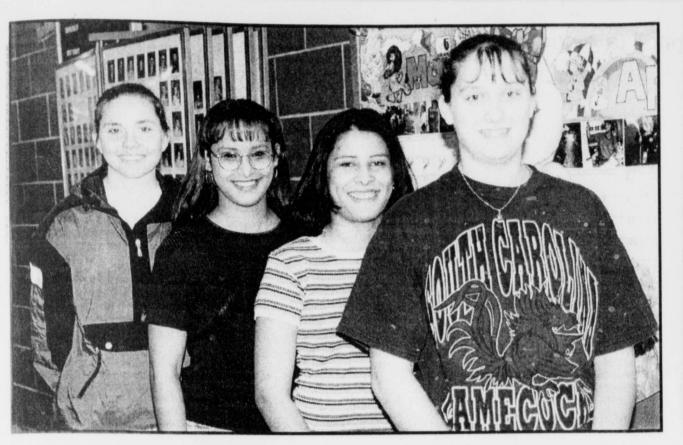
The Lady Rebel team did well at



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RIVERCREST-students did well in the competitions held at the Pan American Student Forum in San Antonio on March 12-16. (from the left) Kembre Baker ran for a state officers position and won the position of State Student Director for PASF; Carolina Prado placed 2nd in Reading Second Level and 4th in Grammar, Second Level; Maribel Prado placed 3rd in Grammar Advanced Level and 4th in Reading Advanced Level and Jennifer Hays placed 2nd in Grammar First Level. Congratulations girls!!!!!

Staff Photo Nancy Brown



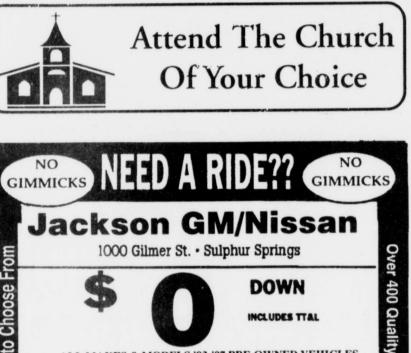
THE TALCO-BOGATA-Lady Rebels 8th grade track and field team members for 1998 are; (back) Coach Tammie Case; (middle from the left) Kendall Stansell, Erin Miller, Robin Hollis, Molly Moles, Dee Knight, Lacye Edge, Melissa Waller and Brittany Bull; (front from the left) Kayla Sears, Charla Hines, Misty Tucker, Kayla Belcher, Dusty Townes and Cassie Perry. Not pictured are Brittany Barnett and Coach Debbie Williams.

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-H.G. Wells

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## R.R. Valley Dixie League meet

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League boys meeting was held Sunday, March 22 at the Marris Chapel Church in Rugby. League Secretary, Keye Lee called the meeting to order in the absence of the league presi-

Mrs. Lee reported rule changes for the coming season which are; a team must have a minimum of 11 players and a maximum of 13, rules for the 7 & 8 year old boys remain as last season, rained out games must be played on the following Saturday of the same week, all catchers must have a throat protector on their helmets and every child must be on a roster in order for the leagues insurance to cover them. She stressed that if a parent or coach has a problem they must go through the proper channels which is local town president, Red River Valley league president and as a final step District Director, Roy Ginn. Mrs. Lee introduced the State Director, Mike Haney of Longview and the new National Director-Larry Whitehead of Texarkana.

Under Old Business the group discussed All Star play. After much discussion a motion was made and carried to have the league present 1st and 2nd place trophies to the league winner. At the close of the league a

The Red River Valley Dixie tournament will be held in every age division. The town hosting the tournament will provide 1st, 2nd and possibly 3rd place trophies. Following the tournaments All Star players will be chosen to represent the Red River Valley League. The Sub-District Tournaments will be held beginning June 19 with the 7 & 8 boys being in Paris, the 9 & 10 boys being in Clarksville and the 11 & 12 boys being in Deport. Clarksville and Winnsboro will host the District level tournaments.

> Charging admission to the season games was discussed. Motion was made and carried to not charge admission

> Mrs. Lee reminded everyone that she must have a copy of each child's birth certificate. She also stated that league fees and insurance could be paid following the meeting or at the next meeting which will be held on Sunday, March 29 at 2:00 pm at the Marris Chapel Church in Rugby.

Each town received the schedules for the coming season and each group by age discussed them. All towns picked up their rosters which are to be filled out and returned at the next meeting. The meeting adjourned at 3:45 pm.



Dudley Batch, from Birthright visited at our new Post Office, with friends of the community and one classmate, as they came in for their mail

By Linda Anderson

VelmaCox spent the day with Dora Hester Wednesday in Paris.

Mrs. Pynes, sister, Betty Hershire returned home Friday after spending the week.

Velma Cox and Lucy Fowler visited Sunday afternoon with Lorette Pynes.

Linda Anderson and Pat West of Roxton visited Tuesday in the home of Mrs. Loyd Cawley of Bogata, visiting with Waych and Geneva Cole of Houston adn Mrs. Cawley.

Pat West of Roxton aand Linda Anderson were in Dallas Thursday for the day.

Doshie Fox attended her mother, Gladys Poole of Paris during her surgery on her arm. Family and friends of Noey Poe

former Cunningham resident and sister of the late Almer Norwood were saddened by her death this week. She was buried Sunday in the Restland Cemetery in Cunningham.

Lillian King celebrated her 76th birthday with a supper at the Lonesome Dove Cafe in Deport on Wed. March 18th. Those attending were: Leonard, Billie and David Ford of Cunningham, Susan Singleton of Clarksville, Bobby, Carol, Ashley, Jason, Anna and Daniel Arrington of Gilmer, Jayce adn Haley yazell of Gilmer, Thomas, Patricia, Dakota, Jennifer and Justin King of Brookston, Haskell, Darlene, Francie, Johnathon King of Paris, Shirlene, Tommy, Drew Owen of Rosalie, Janell and Cortney Crews of Cunningham, Chad, Caroline, Brittany, Eric and Renee Cleere of Paris.

Never undertake anything for which you wouldn't have the courage to ask the blessings of Heaven. -G. C. Lichtenberg

## A variety of homestead exemptions could lower your property taxes!

A homestead exemption lowers the property taxes on your home by lowering its taxable value. If your home is valued at \$50,000 and you receive a \$15,000 homestead exemption, your home will be taxed as if it were worth \$35,000.

## Who qualifies for an exemption?

Anyone who owned a home on January 1st (and used it as their primary residence on that date) is entitled to a \$15,000 homestead exemption to lower their school taxes this year ... and it doesn't matter if your home is a house, condominium, or mobile home. (Counties, cities and special taxing districts may also offer homestead exemptions.)

### Are other exemptions available?

If you are disabled--or if you are 65 years old or older--you are entitled to an additional \$10,000 school tax exemption on your home. And if you qualify for the over-65 exemption, you are also entitled to a permanent, locked-in "ceiling" on the school property taxes on your home. (The ceiling does not apply to county or city property taxes, and those entities may offer other exemptions.) The over-65 homeowner's exemptions and school tax ceiling transfers to the surviving spouse, if the spouse is 55 years of age or older at the time of death and lives in and owns the home. Over-65 homeowners also may transfer the percentage of school tax paid, based on their former home's over-65 school tax ceiling, to a new home.

### Do I have to apply each year?

No. If you had a homestead exemption on your home in 1997, you won't need to reapply for 1998 unless your chief appraiser requires it. However, if you haven't received an exemption on your present home---or if you've moved to a new home---you'll need to file for an exemption for 1998. If you are 65 this year, you may file for the over-65 exemption up to one year after the date you turned 65. And if you become disabled during 1997, you need to file for the disabled person's exemption.

When and where should I file? File applications by April 30 at your appraisal district office. If you need more time, contact us at: 903-427-4181 **Red River Appraisal District** P.O. Box 461, 101 West Broadway Clarksville, Texas 75426 For more information stop in or call for a free copy of "Texas Property Taxes: Taxpayers' **Rights**, Remedies & Responsibilities Or contact: **Comptroller's Property Tax Division** P.O. Box 13528 Austin, TX 78711-3528

ORDER OF ELECTION The City of Detroit, Texas will be olding an election on May 2, 1998 for the purpose of electing three (3) councilmen for two (2) year terms. Terms expiring are Jamie Miller, Johnny Edwards and Jim Missildine. Applications to place name on ballot may be picked up at City Hall starting February 16, 1998. Deadline to file is March 18, 1998.

ORDER OF ELECTION The City of Detroit is now taking resumes for water and sewer superintendent. Class C Waster & Sewer Certification desirable. Send resumes to City of Detroit, P.O Box 180, Detroit, TX 75436. 3-26

your request for a proposal package, PUBLIC NOTICE a statement of qualifications and references to the City of Talco, P.O. The Housing Authority of the City Box 365, Talco, Texas 75487. of Detroit, Texas has an opening for **Executive Director** city no later than April 8, 1998 to be Mail applications to: considered. The city reserves the right Detroit Housing Authority to negotiate with any and all firms or P.O. Box 139 consultants that submit proposals as Detroit, TX 75436 per the Texas Professional Services 3-26

PUBLIC NOTICE The City of Blossom will hold the municipal election on Saturday, May 1998 at 1240 W. Front St. (City Hall Bldg.) to elect a mayor and two (2) council members. Early voting will begin April 15, 1998 at Blossom City Hall and will run through April 28, 1998, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Application for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of City Hall on April 24, 1998. Request for ballot by mail shall be mailed to Attn: Ann Ebbs, City of Blossom, P.O. Box 297, Blossom, Texas 75416. 3-26

> PUBLIC NOTICE SEWER BID

The City of Blossom is in the process of replacing some old sewer ines and manholes. Anyone wishing to bid on the rehab should contact James Johnson at City of Blossom, 903-982-5900 for further information. Bids will be opened and read aloud Tuesday, April 7, 1998, 7:00 p.m. at 1240 W. Front St., Blossom, TX 75416 (City Hall Bldg.).

PUBLIC NOTICE The City of Talco has for sale by sealed bids the following two (2) items: a 1110 Ford tractor with finishing mower; and a 16 horse power Snapper mower

Scaled bids may be turned into at the Talco Cityu Hall, 400 W. Broad, Talco, TX or mailed to the City of Talco, P.O. Box 365, Talco, TX 75487. All sealed bids must be received by 4:00 p.m. April 13, 1998.

Bids will be opened and read at the Talco City Hall, Monday, April 13, To be eligible for pre-kindergarten classes, the child must be 4 years of age by September 1, 1998. They 1998 at 6:30 p.m

must also meet one of the following The City of Talco reserves the criteria: (1) be unable to speak and right to reject or accept any or all bids

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**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS** 

FOR PLANNING SERVICES

of contractual compliance with the

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Proposals must be received by the

The City of Talco is an Affirma-

tive Action/Equal Opportunity Em-

NOTICE

tion for three board members on May

2, 1998 at four polling places. Board

members will be elected for Place 1,

Place 2 and Place 4. Candidates for

these positions are: Place 1-Mr.

Charles Fendley (unopposed); Place

2-Mrs. Liz Irwin and Mr. Michael

a.m. on May 2, and close at 7:00 p.m.

In Pattonville, voters may go to the

front foyer of the high school build-

ing. In Deport, the First Baptist

Church will be the election site. In

Cunningham, the First Presbyterian

Church, and in Blossom, the election

will be held in the Blossom Method-

Early voting by personal appear-

ance may be done at the Prairiland

Adm. building between the hours of

8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. from April

15, 1998 to April 28, 1998. Applica-

tions to vote by mail shall be mailed

1, Box 200, Pattonville, TX 75468.

NOTICE

business on April 24, 1998.

Prairiland ISD will hold an elec-

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comprehend the English language. and waive any technicalities for the or (2) come from a family whose income, according to standards set For additional information call by the State Board of Education, is at or below subsistence level. Procedures: (1) Pre-kindergarten

will be operated on a half-day basis, (2) Classes will be for 3 hours each morning, (3) Transportation will be The City of Talco has recently furnished to school only. (Parents or received a contract from the Texas responsible parties will have to pick Department of Housing and Comthe child up at school by 11:30 each munity Affairs under the Planning and Capacity Building Fund (or day, (4) Breakfast will be served to Colonia planning Fund) of the Texas students in this program if desired. Community Development Program. (No lunches will be served.), (5) Stu-Accordingly, the city is seeking to dents must have their medical records up to date contract with a qualified planning consultant to assist in several aspects

This is a one-half day program which will be taught the entire year. If you have any questions, please contact the elementary principal no later than May 1, 1998

#### Estamos haciendo un medir de ninos de cautro anos hasta el primero de Septiembre quien viven districo de Prairilan dpara determionar si

necessitamos una clase de Pre-Kindergarten en el ano. Si hay una clase, sera de 8:30 hasta 11:30 cada dia. El autobus trae los ninos a la escueia pero los padres tienen que escoger sus hijos despues de clase. Pueden comer almuerzo en la escuela, pero no pueden comer el desayuno en la escuela. Ninos pueden calificar para esta

Pre-Kindergarten clase con uno de estas requeridos: ingresos-si los ninos son de casa quien estan en la programa de desayunos gratis; lenguajesi hablan un lenguage diferente de ingles en la casa. Tenemos que tener 15 estudiante:

antes que lener la clase. Sessums; Place 4-Mr. Virgil Jones Por favor escribe la informaccion

Polling places will open at 7:00 abajoy regresarlo a la oficina de la escuela antes que

> NOTICE TO PUBLIC OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST **RELEASE OF FUNDS** City of Bogata P.O. Box 400 Bogata, TX 75417 TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS AND

PERSONS Seventeen (17) days after this publication the City of Bogata intends to

to Sue Scudder, Prairiland ISD, Rt. request the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) to release Federal funds Applications to vote by mail must be under Title I of the Housing and received no later than the close of Community Development Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-383), for Project No. pending to be used for the following project: install 3,030 linear feet of Prairiland I.S.D. will offer presix-inch PVC sewer line, 500 linear kindergarten classes to students livfeet of twelve-inch PVC sewer line, ing in the school district, provided 10 manholes, and 1 cleanout in the the district can identify 15 or more east and south sections of the City. Finding of No Significant Impact

It has been determined that such request for release of funds will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human en vironment and accordingly the above

named City of Bogata has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190). The reason for such a decision not to prepare such Statement is based upon the fact that all environmental concerns could either be minimized or mitigated.

An Environmental Review Record for the proposed project has been made by the City of Bogata which documents the environmental review of the project and more fully sets forth the reasons why such statement is not required. This Environmental Review Record is on file at the office of the City Secretary, City of Bogata, 128 North Main Street, Bogata, Texas 75417 and is available for public examination and copying upon request between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Fri-

#### **Public Comments on Finding**

All interested agencies, groups and persons disagreeing with this decision are invited to submit written comments for consideration by the City to the address set forth above. Such written comments must be received at the address specified within sixteen (16) days after this publication. All such comments so received will be considered and the City will not request the release of funds or take any administrative action on the project prior to the date specified in the proceeding sentence.

**Release of Funds** The City of Bogata will undertake the project described above with Community Development Block Grant under Title I from its program year 1998 under grant number pending from the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974. The City of Bogata is certifying to TDHCA that Mildred F. Eudy, in her official capacity as Mayor, consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to environmental reviews, decision making and action; and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The legal effect of the certification is that upon its approval, the City of Bogata may use the Block Grant funds and it will have satisfied its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969. TDHCA will accept an objection to its approval only on one or more of the bases and the procedures described in 24 CFR Part 58.75. Objections are to be addressed to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs, P.O. Box 13941, Austin, Texas 78711.

Objections to the release of funds on bases other than one of those stated above will not be considered by TDHCA. No objection received later than thirty-three (33) days after this publication will be considered by TDHCA. The Chief Executive Officer of the City of Bogata is Mildred F. Eudy. 3.26

"Productivity appraisal" may lower the property taxes on your farm, ranch or timber land!

Texas law allows farmers, ranchers and timber growers to pay property taxes based upon the "production value" of their land rather than on its market value. This "productivity appraisal" means qualified land is taxed based on its ability to produce crops, livestock or timber, not on its value on the real estate market. And it can mean substantial property tax savings.

### When is the application deadline?

If your land has never had a productivity appraisal or you are a new owner, you must apply to your local appraisal district by April 30 to take advantage of this benefit on your 1998 property taxes. You may get up to 60 extra days if you have a good reason and ask for it by April 30. If you miss this deadline, you may still be able to apply, but you will pay a penalty. Check with your appraisal district office.

### Do you need to reapply annually?

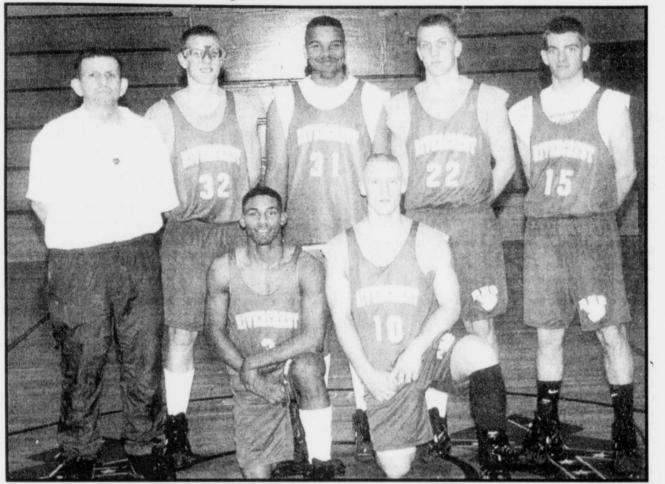
If your land already receives agricultural or timber productivity appraisal, you normally don't need to reapply unless the chief appraiser requires you to do so. If a new application is required, the appraisal district will notify you by mail.

For more information, call or come by: **Red River Appraisal District** P.O. Box 461 Clarksville, Texas 75426 903-427-4181 We'll be happy to answer your questions and provide you a free copy of "Texas Property Taxes: Taxpayers' **Rights, Remedies & Responsibilities** Or contact: **Comptroller's Property Tax Division** P.O. Box 13528 Austin, TX 78711-3528



THE TALCO-BOGATA-Lady Rebels 7th grade track and field team members for 1998 are; (back row from the left) Coach Tammie Case, Camillia Mankins, Kristy Crawford, Shari Wisinger, Jessica Rose, Nicki Jones and Ashley Beers; (middle row from theleft) Tina Carder, Molly Hare, Jazz Barnett, Danielle Easterling, Michelle Bryant, Becky Belcher and Erica Williams; (front from the left) Khrystal Valenzuela and Alison Foster. Not pictured are Rachel Case and Coach Debbie Williams.

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SENIOR REBELS-of the 1997-98 basketball season are pictured with Coach Wake Wood for the final time as Rivercrest basketball players. They are; (from the left back row) Ryan Giles, Broderick Fulbright, Brian Giles and Cortney Huddleston; (front from the left) Michael Allen and Jody Nolen. The boys will be missed next season. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



### **JOHNTOWN** LOCALS By Jana Hawkins 632--5174

Saturday afternoon Teresa Alford was honored with a 40th birthday dinner in the home of her parents, Marcus and Shirley Allums.

Marcus and Shirley Allums, Kathy, Monte, Krisha and Mark Allums and Ben Colter vacationed in Cloudcroft, N.M. from Sunday to Friday.

Weekend visitors of Drue and Billie Pirtle were Lana Pirtle and Matt Buchheit of Longview and Clay Pirtle of Arlington.

Robbie Hawkins, Haley and Heather Hawkins, Billie Pirtle, Kyla and Jessee Harville, and Jacob Harville traveled to Texarkana Tuesday to let their grandchildren enjoy the Holiday Inn Holidome over their spring break from school. They all enjoyed swimming, soaking in the hot tub, playing pingpong and pool, video games, golf in the recreation area and warming up in the sauna. While there they ate at Red Lobster and Chili's and shopped in the mall. They returned home Wednesday afternoon.

Sunday lunch guests of Drue and Billie Pirtle were Robin, Kyla and Jessee Harville, Gavin Davis, Kelley, Kristin and Jacob Harville, Vance and Mikki Pirtle, Stephanie and Lindsey Fischer, Heather Hawkins, Lee and Bruce Hood, Lana and Clay Pirtle, Matt Buchheit.

Dale and Dawn Jean of Austin visited Drue and Billie Pirtle Sunday.

Tresa Couch and Shan Watkins of Greeley, Co. spent Saturday afternoon in Paris browsing in Antique Malls and Art Gallery. That evening, Tresa, Shan, Kathryn and Richard Zaggle, Raymond and Lou Ada Franklin and Wayne Alsobrook dined at Baughan's Catfish on Lake Bob Sandlin. Later, Shan, Kathryn, Richard and Terry McGonagill of Mt. Vernon visited in Tresa's home.

Dana Neeley and Holly Jean traveled to Grand Prairie this week for a visit with their aunt, Ernestine Mauldin and aunt, Dorothy Kennemore who was in from Goldendale, Washington. Dana worked int he Ft. Worth Texas-New Mexico Office Thursday and Friday and returned to Grand prairie on Friday night to visit with the rest of the family who came which included Harold and Larry Wayne Neeley, Donald, Sarah and Mitchell Jean, Dale and Dawn jean and Myra Permenter. Saturday night guests of Harold and Dana and Larry Wayne Neeley were Dale and Dawn Jean of Austin, Tx. and Mark and Hana Hawkins.

### How To Prepare For A Tornado

- Tornadoes can occur any time of the year.
- \*A tornado watch means tornadoes are possible
- \*A tornado warning means a tornado has been sighted. When a tornado warning is issued, take shelte: in a basement, away from windows. If there is no basement, go to an
- interior room, like a closet, on the ground floor. \*Get out of mobile homes and cars. If you are in the open, take cover in a ditch or low-lying area.
- \*Being prepared for disaster is your responsibility.
- \*To learn more about tornado preparedness, contact your local emergency management office.



Mike Clement

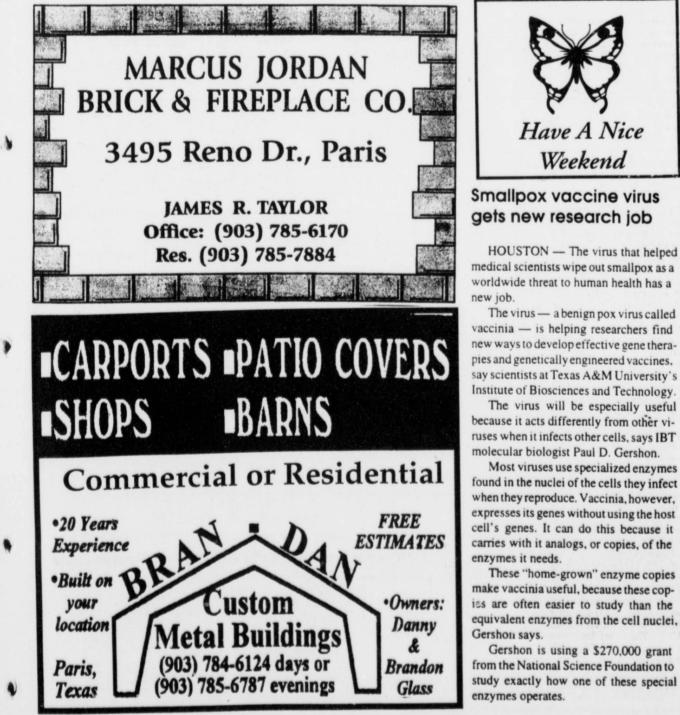
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TALCO - BOGATA JR. HIGH BAND performed in the Winter concert on March 10 at Rivercrest.



Sunday guests of Harold, Dana and Larry Wayne Neeley were Donald, Mitchell and Sarah Jean, Dale and Dawn Jean, Calvin and Myra Permenter, Ryan, Darla, Allix Brunson, Holly Jean, Lana Pirtle and friend Matt, Clay Pirtle, Mikki Pirtle, Lindsey Fischer, Heather Hawkins and Kyla Harville.

Mark and Jana Hawkins enjoyed shopping and eating at Western Sizzlin in Mt. Pleasant on Saturday night

Koren, Haley and Heather Hawkins spent Saturday night with their Granny Robbie Hawkins. Hana Hawkins visited for several hours.

Sunday night visitors of Jana, Haley, Heather and Hana Hawkins were James and Pauline Gibbs. Dale and Dawn jean of Austin visited with Mark and Jana Hawkins family on Sunday

Haley Hawkins enjoyed going to work with her Granny Robbie Hawkins at Clarksville Nursing Center on Thursday and Heather enjoyed going on Friday.

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. George Green and Mr. and Mrs. D.C. Thomas were Mrs. C.T. Davis and daughter, Ray, from Matador, Hazel Northcutt and Wendell Hervey of Johntown, Ray and Ralph Pittman, Larry and Fern Thomas and Darrell Green of Mount Pleasant.

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. David Potter were Chris and Brenda Potter and children, Austin and Brittany, of Tulsa, Oklahoma. Brittany remained for a week to visit. Also visiting were Cindy Fortner and Christy and Ken and Matthew Harris of Mount Pleasant.

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## **Red River County Crime Stoppers** 903-427-TIPS

15 and Tuesday, March 17, a gray 16' flatbed tandem axle trailer with moon hubcaps and electric brakes was stolen from the intersection of Hwy. 37 and CoRd. 3117. The trailer had PA license plate #XC26728. The trailer belonged to Jim Miller of Miller Agcraft of Gettysburg, PA.

Also, sometime between Thursday, March 19 and Friday, March 20, a trailer was taken from the intersection of Co.Rd. 1427 and 1330 that belonged to Pioneer Mechanical Con-

Sometime between Sunday, March tractors. The trailer was a red 1997 shop made utility, 20' long with pipe side rails, 25/16" ball hitch and white spoke wheels.

If you call the Crime Stoppers line at 427-TIPS, and have information leading to the arrest and indictment of the person or persons responsible for this crime, or any crime, you may receive a reward of up to one thousand dollars.

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### **Red River County Sheriff's Report**

March 15-21

March 15: Report of 911 hang up; theft in Avery; assault in Detroit; abandoned vehicle on Hwy. 2371 south; male arrested on DPS warrant for speeding; theft of 4-wheeler in Bogata; livestock on Hwy. 37 south; inmate released per weekend commitment; minor accident on FM114. March 16: Report of indecency

with a child in Bogata; report of family disturbance in Avery; major accident on 271; telephone harassment; suspicious juveniles in Bogata.

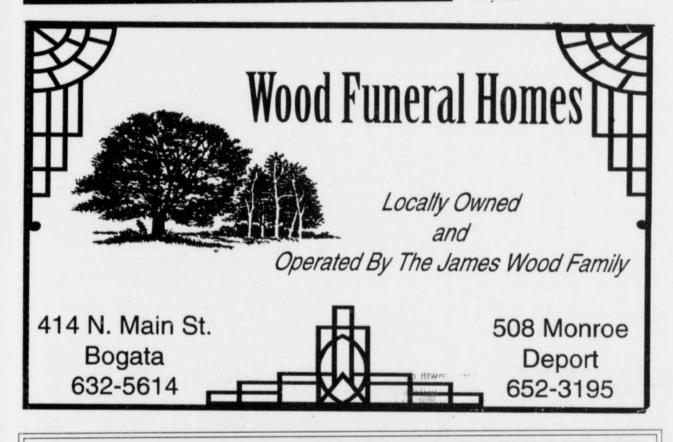
March 17: Public intoxication in Bogata; burglary of a building east of Clarksville; burglary of a building in Detroit; disturbance in Bogata; theft on 37 north at Hopewell; inmate transported to county on charge of failure to give notice upon striking unattended vehicle; report of welfare concern.

March 18: Livestock complaint in Detroit: report of livestock complaint in Detroit; animal complaint in Avery; forgery in Annona.

March 19: 911 hang up call on 37 north; report of theft; dog bite victim

### Glasses at News Office

A pair of prescription lens glasses in a case were turned in at the Bogata News Office. If you have lost your glasses please check to see if these are yours.



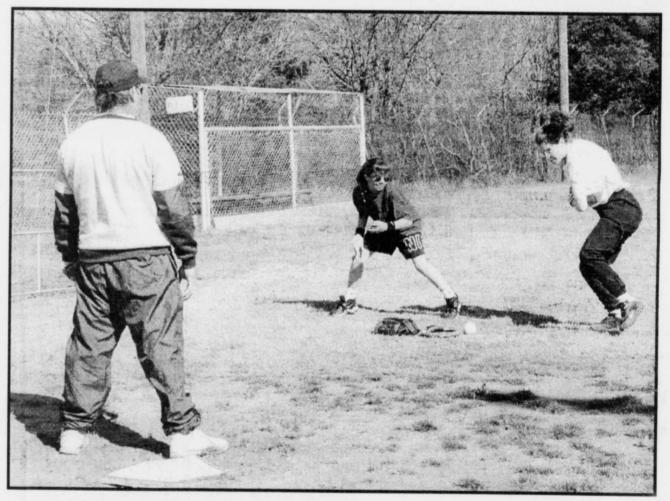
at ETMC; livestock complaint on 37; male arrested on three warrants for capias pro fine; criminal mischief on FM44 south; male arrested on warrant for issuance of bad check out of Lamar County; male arrested on charge of issuance of bad check; inmate released with arrangements to pay fine.

March 20: Activated alarm north of Clarksville; livestock complaint on 909; report of possession of marijuana in a drug free zone in Detroit; criminal mischief in Rugby; report of domestic disturbance on 2120; vandalism in Bagwell; theft in Little Chicago; male arrested on warrant for assault family violence; report of assault on FM2573; female arrested on charge of DWI.

March 21: Motorist assist on 37 north; burglary north of Bagwell; civil matter in Detroit; criminal mischief in Boxelder; theft in Bogata; unauthorized use of a motor vehicle; male arrested on charge of no drivers license; report of assault on 37 north.

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In wilderness is the preservation of the world. -Henry David Thoreau



# Talco Locals

By Nancy Brown Call in Your News To 379-4445

Pam Fenner and Kathy Smith spent Friday and Saturday at Camp Gambill in Paris. The ladies received Girl Scout training on cooking outdoors and camping.

Eddie Brown was admitted to Mother Francis Hospital in Tyler Wednesday. He is reported home and doing well.

Robert Caul Rhoades spent Tuesday through Saturday morning visiting his Aunt Laura, Uncle J.P. and cousin, James Paul Kernan in Dallas. Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Smith, Chad

and Zack of Elysian Fields visited Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Smith, Russell and Melanie Saturday night and Sunday. Also visiting over the weekend was Aaron Smith of Lufkin.

The Talco Calvary Baptist Church R.A.'s enjoyed a lock-in at the church on Tuesday. 18 boys and their sponsors, Eric and Steve Hall and Johnny and Karen Jones shared a hot dog supper and games throughout the night. The boys were served donuts and milk before leaving for home Wednesday morning.

Attending the Red River Valley Boys Dixie League meeting held at the Marris Chapel Church on Sunday from Talco were; Nancy Brown, Marta Rhoades, Sammy Ellis, Marcus Savage, Ricky Franks and Jimmy Via.

Mr. and Mrs. Stan Bruce and children of Keene visited Mr. and Mrs. Glen Harris and other family and friends over the weekend. They brought Melba Bruce home from Ft. Worth where she had been hospitalized. She is reported doing well.

Luther Price of the Red River Health Care Center was hospitalized at Titus County Regional Sunday. He is reported doing fair. Carla Mills of Dallas visited Satur-

day with Marta Rhoades and other friends and family. She picked daughter, Deonna up to return home after +\* spending her spring break with Marta and Robert Caul Rhoades.

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Rayford Pittman over the weekend was daughter, Terry Howell and family of Longview.

Wanda Graf and Katherine spent Wednesday through Saturday visiting family and shopping in Arlington

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Fail Sunday were Lynn and Ann Fail of Kilgore, great grandchildren Shawnalisa, Ferrari, Kevin and J.D. all of Gladewater, Amy and Jason Jolley, Elizabeth and Madeline of Paris, Yvonne Harris and Marilyn and Ronnie Presley.

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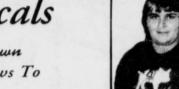
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Elizabeth Ewing of Paris visited over the weekend with grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Presley.

Patsy Smith and Doyle Price received word over the weekend that their sister Marcie of Arizona had been air-lifted to a Tucson, Arizona in critical condition. She was reported in serious condition at the time of print.

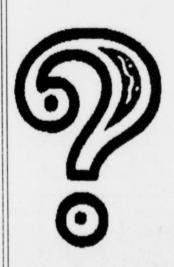
Marta Rhoades, Doug and Mayra Clark, Jesi, Luke, Kelsey and Justin, Alex Wright and Deonna Mills spent the day in Texarkana shopping Friday.

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Wayman Alexander during the week were; Bro. and Mrs. Don Jensen of Grand Prairie, Bro. and Mrs. Johnny Umphries of Taylor, Arkansas and Brenda Mewborn of Mineola.





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JOHNNY SWARTS LOOKS ON-a Tonya Hawkins, varsity girls softball coach of DeKalb works with Jesi Navi at the girls softball clinic held in Talco Saturday. Mr. Swarts and Ms. Hawkins spent the day teaching skills to girls from Tee ball age up to 14 years of age. Staff Photo Nancy Brown



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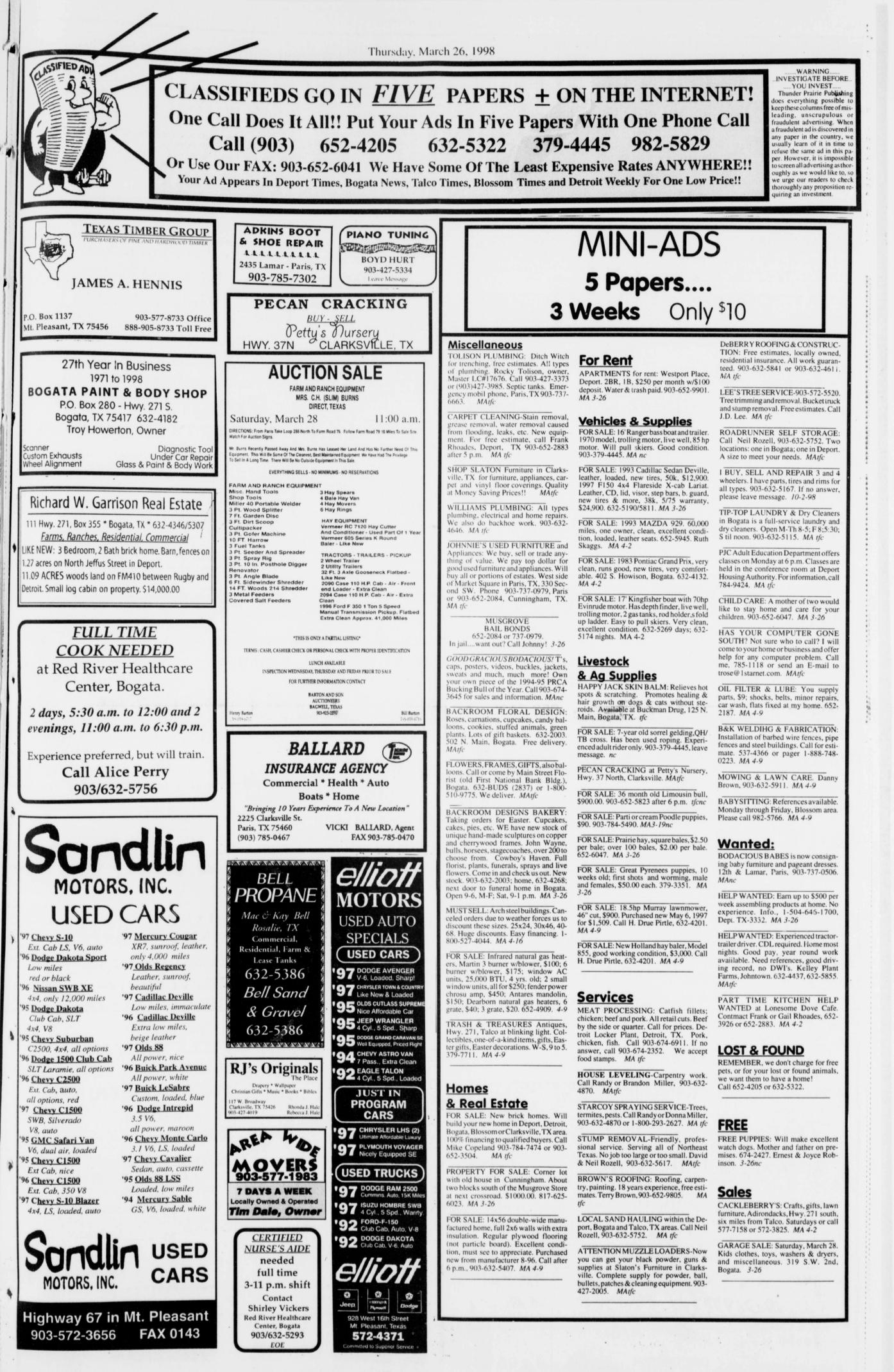
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MRS. PURVIANCE'S 4TH GRADE CLASS- at Bogata Elementary School enjoyed Chinese food last week. The class had read a story in their Reading books about the Chinese New Year and the Dragon's Dance. The menu consisted of Rice, Noodles, Beef Chow Mein, Fortune Cookies and tea.



ThunderPrairie Publishing Photo By Pam Dill RIVERCREST HIGH SCHOOL BAND performed in the Winter concert on March 10 at Rivercrest.

There is one thing that the American people always rise to and extend their hand to, and that is the truth of justice and of liberty and of peace.

-Woodrow Wilson

## Rivercrest competes at Big Sandy

The Rivercrest Lady Rebels and Rebels track and field teams traveled to Big Sandy on March 13. Boys placing at the meet were; **1600 meter relay**-3rd place team-Michael Allen, Keith Hines, Jody Gray and Scotty Goodwin, **110 hurdles**-6th place-Cody Wolfe, **400 meter run**- 2nd place-Jody Gray and 4th place-Michael Allen, **300 meter hurdles**-5th place-Cody Wolfe, **200 meter dash-5th place-Jody** Gray, Shot

Thursday, March 26, 1998

Junior High travel to Chisum to compete

The Talco-Bogata Junior Lady Rebels traveled to Chisum to compete in track and field on Friday, March 20.

Students competing for the team were 3200 meter run-Robyn Hollis who received 7th place and Cassie Perry who received 5th place; 400 meter relay-3rd place-Charla Hines, Misty Tucker, Kayla Sears and Kayla Belcher; 100 meter hurdles-4th place tie-Sara Alsup, Ashley Beers and Jessica Rose; 100 meter run-1st place-Kayla Belcher and a 2nd place tie-Misty Tucker and Charla Hines; 800 meter run-7th-Becky Belcher; 400 meter run-1st place-Sara Alsup, 4th place tie-Becky Belcher and Camellia Mankins; 200 meter dash- 1st-Jessica Rose, 2nd-Kayla Sears and 3rd-Ashley Beers; 1600 meter run-3rd-Robyn Hollis; 1600 meter relay-3rd-Shari Wisinger, Rachel Case, Krystal Valenzuela and Molly Hare; 800 meter relay- 1st place-Charla Hines, Misty Tucker, Molly Hare and Kayla Belcher. Competing in Shot Put for the Lady Rebels were Molly Moles, Misty Tucker, Kayla Sears. In Discus for the Lady Rebels were Molly Moles, Misty Tucker and Jessica Rose and in the Triple Jump competing were Ashley Beers, Shari Wisinger and Camellia Mankins. Congratulations Lady Rebels!!!!

Put- 2nd place- Andy Poellien, 5th place-Dustin Wolfe, Discus- 4th place- Andy Poellien, Triple Jump-4th place-Keith Hines, 5th place-Michael Allen, Pole Vault-1st place-Scotty Goodwin, Luis Torres-2nd place. The Rebel team took 4th place over all. Teams competing were Big Sandy, Winona, Shreveport Parkway, Alba-Golden, Lone Oak, Community, Troupe, Hawkins and Union Hill.

The Lady Rebels represented themselves well at the meet also. Placing for the team were; **400 meter relay**-1st place-Candias Nickerson, Tiffany Prentice, Joanie Swarts and Joanie Swarts, 100 meter dash-1st place-Candias Nickerson, Tiffany Prentice-2nd place, 200 meter dash-1st place-Candias Nickerson, 400 meter run-1st place-Tiffany Prentice, 800 meter run-1st place-Kim Shirley, Long Jump-1st Candias Nickerson,6th place-Billi Ann Hammonds. Billi also participated in the 400 meter run and 100 meter dash. Students participating in Shot Put and Discus were Ashlei Moles, Debra Janes and Cassie Wilcox. Coach Debbie Williams said, "We appreciate the students who spent some of their spring break competing for their school. It shows dedication to their various teams whether it be baseball, softball, golf or track and

