

Nichols
Worth



By Nanalee Nichols

Bravery in the Face of Fire
There are many examples of courage in this world. Recently I have witnessed several instances of courage by, of all things, birds.

I was mowing at our neighbor's house the other day. As I whipped around at the end of the gravel drive way I saw a tiny form, wings spread, desperately huddled over something in the middle of the drive. I was pelting her with high-velocity debris, small gravel and I thought it would surely kill her. I stopped to look, and there she was, a little Kill Deer, valiantly covering her two eggs, which were nestled in the drive.

From then on I made sure I didn't mow where the discharge from the mower would hit her or her eggs. But every time I came close she would rise up, spread her wings and prepare to do battle with this threat. A tiny bird, ready to face a full sized tractor and mower.

Then, just a day or two later I watched as a mockingbird swooped down on one of my cats, literally yanking a wad of fur out of her back. The noisy birds have a nest in a tree not far from the house, but have defended it so diligently the cats now give that area a wide berth rather than deal with the shrieking, hair pulling sky-borne creatures.

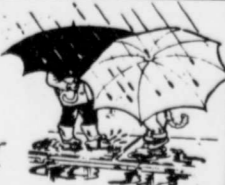
Then, I went down to mow at the neighbor's again. As I made my first pass through the yard three tiny little brown forms flew up in front of me. It was a trio of wrens, each not over two inches in length. I got off the mower and chased them down, carefully taking each one into my hand. They were perfect little miniature wrens, tiny and just able to fly for short distances. They must have just left the nest. And each one was courageous enough to try and threaten me with it's little beak! I put them carefully in a safe place and kept an eye on them while I finished the yard.

Now these little birds all showed defiance and courage. They also showed fear. That fear was apparent, but didn't keep them from trying their best against forces that outweighed them much as an atomic bomb does a firecracker.

I know it is instinct, but what a wonderful instinct it is. There must be many times when these feathered warriors lose their battles. But for the Kill Deer, Mockingbirds and wrens I encountered each time their strength of purpose won. Is there a lesson here?



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JACKIE RHODES and son were taken to Titus County Regional Hospital Monday for treatment of minor injuries received in a two car accident at the junction of Hwy. 271 S and FM. 71 in Talco. The Rhodes vehicle, a Nissan pick-up received heavy damage when it struck a car driven by Mrs. Davis of New Boston. Mrs. Davis and her passenger were also treated at Titus County Regional Hospital for minor injuries. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Talco Calvary Baptist to hold revival services

The Calvary Baptist Church in Talco will be holding Revival services July 30 through August 2, 2000. Evangelist, Roy Edmonds, will be the guest speaker.

Serving as the music team for the event will be Jerry Russell, Mark and Bro. Rex Jackson. Everyone is invited to attend and share the blessings.



Titus Regional Medical Center offering classes

Titus Regional Medical Center is offering several classes this summer. Ongoing Prenatal Classes for mothers and their families. Classes are only \$30 and include Childbirth Education, Big Brother/Big Sister Class and Grandparents' Class. If you are in your fourth or fifth month of pregnancy, it's time to schedule classes for your seventh month. Childbirth classes are on Saturdays, August 5-26 from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Pre-registration is mandatory. Call 577-6400 to register and for more information.

Hot Topics Evening Flash will be Thursday, August 3 at 7 p.m. at the Titus County Civic Center. Not just

for women, this seminar features Donna Broach, RN, MSN, CPNP and Carolyn Walters, ARNP, with information about menopause and perimenopause. Attendance is free.

Adult Diabetes Support Group will not meet the first Tuesday in July due to the Independence Day Holiday. Sessions resume Tuesday, August 1 at 6 p.m. in the hospital cafeteria.

"Your Living Will", a program on Advance Directives is offered to the public on July 20 at 11 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. at Titus Regional Medical Center auditorium. Learn about the latest Texas State Law on Advance Directives. Refreshments will be served.

Vacation Bible School will be June 29

Calvary Baptist Church in Talco invites all kids, who have finished Pre-K through sixth grades, to Vacation Bible School at their church on Thursday, June 29 from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. The closing program will be held from 3 until 3:30 p.m. The theme for this year's VBS is "Road Rally

2000...In the Race with Jesus." A snack and lunch will be provided for everyone.

Come join this one day, all day Bible School adventure at Calvary Baptist Church in Talco, located on Hwy. 71 east. For information, call 379-3981 or Judy Sloan at 379-7621.



STOP, IN THE NAME OF LOVE!! Better yet, just STOP!! We just wish we could read this guy's mind, or then again, maybe we don't. The Ring of Fear was a big hit during the Bogata Rodeo last weekend. Though we don't know the outcome of this confrontation, somehow we think we know who won. (Mark Evans Photo)



Horton wins calf scramble

Garrett Horton, a member of the Prairiland FFA, won the James Wilford Lowry Memorial Calf

Scramble at the Bogata Rodeo on Thursday night, June 22, 2000.

Mary Jane Lowry, wife of the late Mr. Lowry and great granddaughter Ryan Alyssa Lindsey of Hughes Springs, was on hand to present the check to Garrett's Agriculture teacher, Frankie Norwood. Mr. Norwood will assist Garrett in helping him to purchase a registered heifer to show for this coming year.

The Lowry family would like to take the opportunity to thank Rivercrest, Prairiland and Clarksville Schools, their agriculture teachers, each of the young people who participated in the event and the Bogata Rodeo Association and the Wing Rodeo Company for their cooperation this year.

A scrapbook containing the progress and pictures of the former winners will be placed in the new Bogata Library and will be added to each year.

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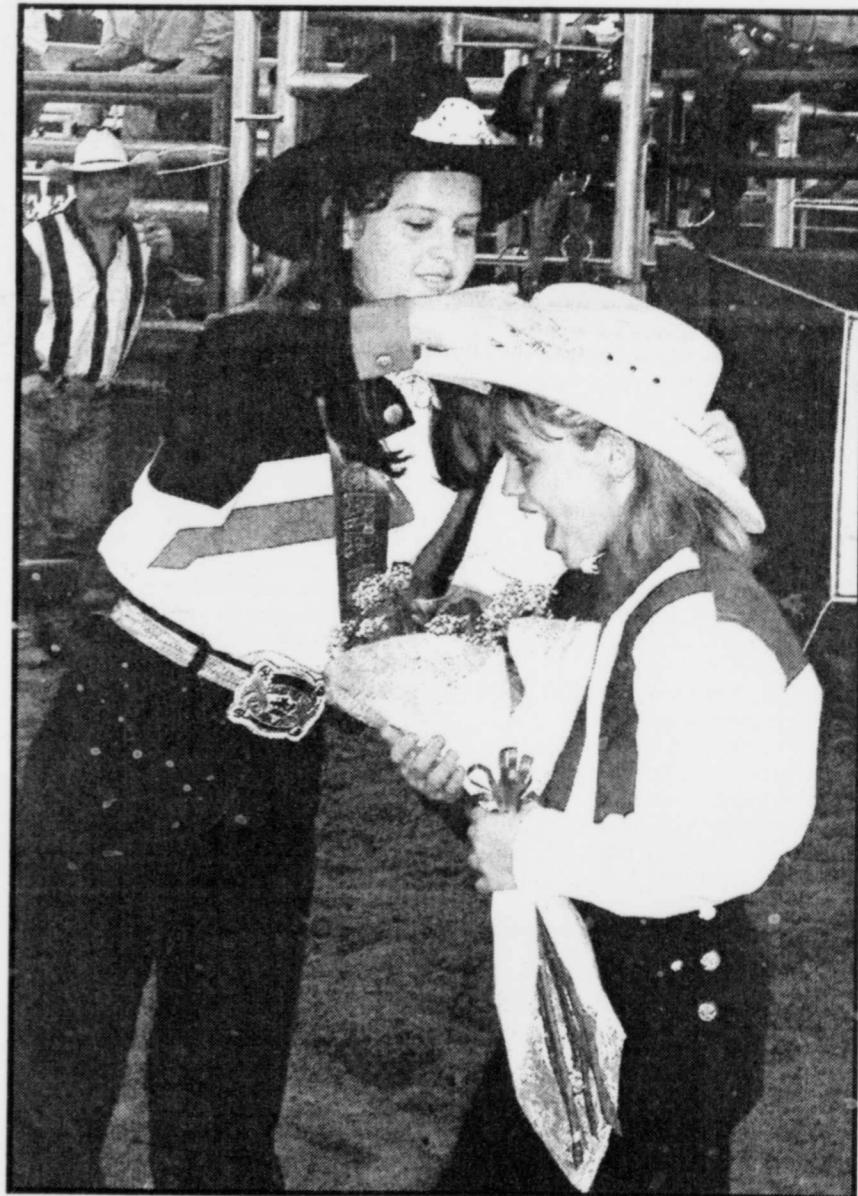
Please include my request for a subscription to your paper. I am Woody and Ann Duffee's son and Hobert Bell was my grandfather. I am 40 this year and have been reading the Bogata News some 30 years now and have note years.

Good job, the community needs the information, it's good for the kids and older folks to stay abreast of the surrounding events and news.

I live in Sedalia, MO and came back home to visit and go to the Bogata Rodeo this year and wanted to make sure before I left I sent ya'll a big thanks and my subscription. Keep up the good work.
Mark Duffee



SCRAMBLE WINNER of the James Lowry Memorial Calf Scramble at the Bogata Rodeo this weekend was Garrett Horton of Prairiland FFA. (ictured with Garrett is Mary Jane Lowry, widow of James Lowry and her great grand daughter Ryan Alyssa Lindsey. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)



BOGATA RODEO PRINCESS 2000- Ten year old Franny Galyean was crowned last Saturday night as part of the Bogata Rodeo festivities. (Staff Photo Thomas Nichols)

Fireworks display will highlight July 4

Talco's fifth annual 4th of July Fireworks will be held Tuesday, July 4 at 7:30 p.m. The event is being sponsored by the Talco Park Committee. Due to safety concerns, there will be some changes this year. Wilson Street, on the south side of the park, will be blocked off to accommodate the entertainment and ice cream social.

The festivities will begin at 7:30 p.m. with entertainment and an old fashioned ice cream social followed by fireworks at approximately 9:30 p.m.

Bring your lawn chair and come

out to join the Talco Park Committee for this patriotic celebration in the park.

You will have a front row seat for the celebration while maintaining a safe distance from the fireworks. There will also be a roped off area surrounding the basketball court. No one will be allowed inside the roped off area before or during the fireworks display.

The homemade ice cream will be available during and after the musical program for a small charge.

All proceeds will go toward upkeep of the park.

RHS gym open for Lady Rebels

The Rivercrest High School gym will be open each Monday and Wednesday night from 8:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. for the Lady Rebels.

Girls entering 7th grade through the 12th grade are encouraged to attend and get a jump on working out for next year's basketball season. For more information contact Coach Debbie Williams in Bogata or Coach Tammie Case in Talco.

VBS under way

Vacation Bible School is continuing at the First Baptist Church, Bogata, through Thursday, June 29 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. each morning.

This year's theme is Ocean Odyssey-Exploring the Depths of God's Faithfulness. On Tuesday, 123 teachers and pupils enjoyed the songs, crafts, refreshments, mission and Bible stories, etc.

Family night will be Thursday night beginning at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to see the children perform and enjoy homemade ice cream.

Country Cooking

By Liz Irwin



Happy 4th of July! We hope everyone has a safe and happy holiday! This is one of the most celebrated holidays of the year with cookouts, picnics, family gatherings and other special summer festivities.

Since the 4th is celebrated with fireworks, flags, food and fun... here are a few facts about our nation's flag that you may not know about.

Congress first authorized the United States Flag on June 14, 1777, the day we currently celebrate Flag Day in America. This date is also significant in that it qualifies our flag as the third oldest of the National Standards of the world, even older than Britain's Union Jack.

The flag was first flown from Fort Stanwix, on the site of the present city of Rome, New York, on August 3, 1777. The flag had a tumultuous beginning. It went through the Battle of Oriskany when it was only three days old on August 6, 1777.

The flag's original design called for a star and a stripe for each state, corresponding to the original thirteen colonies. In 1791, Vermont was admitted to the union, followed by Kentucky in 1792. The number of stars and stripes was accordingly raised to fifteen. As other states joined, it was clear something would have to be done about the ever expanding flag. An act of Congress in 1818 reduced and restricted the number of stripes on the flag to thirteen. A star would be added for each new state.

The individual stars depicting the states represent the power of our Federal Constitution, which reserves the

States their individual sovereignty, except as to rights delegated by them to the Federal Government.

George Washington said of the flag's symbolism, "We take the stars from Heaven, the red from our mother county, separating it by white stripes, thus showing that we have separated from her, and the white stripes shall go down to posterity representing Liberty."

Please take time during this holiday to show your flag the honor and dignity that it deserves and give thanks for your freedom in this United States!

We do hope you celebrate this holiday in a safe manner and hope you also enjoy these recipes for your cookout or picnic! See you in the kitchen!

Grilled Corn and Peppers- Italian dressing, corn and peppers add a zesty flavor to this recipe!

Basil Cherry Tomatoes-this calls for cherry tomatoes, but I bet that fresh-from-the-garden tomatoes would be good also...cut into chunks!

Tangy Chicken Legs-I have never used brewed coffee in a marinade or sauce...but there is always a first time!

Orange Vegetables Kabobs-give a zip to your grilled vegetables...use others that your family would like!

Honey-Lime Grilled Chicken-this sounds great, but take the time to plan ahead, as this needs to marinate!

Make-Ahead Shortcake-with an abundance of strawberries this year...this will make the perfect dessert for your cookout!

Rural phone service to improve

Local telephone services for more than a quarter million Texas phone customers, most of whom live in rural or small communities, will be upgraded under an order signed on Thursday by the Public Utility Commission.

Valor Telecommunications of Texas, L.P. agreed to buy 313,800 phone lines in 197 local exchanges scattered throughout west Texas, east Texas and the Texarkana area, from GTE Southwest. The sale is expected to close on September 1.

In addition to maintaining at least the current level of service for customers, Valor plans to introduce the following improvements to its system when the sale is closed:

- *Upgrade central office facilities to improve Custom Local Area Signaling Services such as caller ID, call waiting, three way calling, call forwarding, call return, call blocker and automatic redial.

- *Provide CLASS to all exchanges within 18 months.

- *Introduce high speed internet access or digital subscriber line service to at least 10 exchanges within 18 months.

- *Deploy DSL within 15 months to any exchange with at least 75 DSL requests from Valor subscribers requesting it.

*Guarantee internet service to every local exchange within 187 months.

Valor has agreed to pay GTE \$942 million, slightly more than \$3,000 per access line.

Valor has agreed to notify all customers of the opportunity to obtain DSL services and will also advise local community leaders. The company also will continue the current discount rate for providing broadband services to school libraries and hospitals.

All 320 GTE employees will keep their jobs at current salaries and receive comparable benefits. Valor also has committed to increase its work force by at least 10% within 18 months.

The PUC encourages competition and customer choice while ensuring electric and telephone operations, services and rates are fair and reasonable.

Exchanges purchased in the Texarkana area are: Annona, Avery, Avinger, Bagwell, Bogata, Clarksville, Daingerfield, DeKalb, Deport, Detroit, Douglassville, Hooks, Hughes Springs, Karnack, Linden, Lone Star, Marietta, Maud, Naples, Negley, New Boston, Redwater, Simms, Texarkana.

Obituaries

Ralph Henry Watson dies June 22

Ralph Henry Watson, age 48 of Bogata, died Thursday, June 22 in Cartwright, Oklahoma. Services were at 2:00 p.m. Monday, June 26 in the Bogata Missionary Baptist Church with Rev. Park Roberson officiating. Burial was in Bogata Cemetery under the direction of Wood Funeral Homes.

He was born November 29, 1951 in Wellington, TX, the son of Clifford L. and Velma Rector Watson. He worked as a pipeline layer and truck driver.

He is survived by his mother, Velma Hill of Bogata; two sons, Clint Allen Watson of Vinita, OK and Ralph Wayne Watson of Murfreesboro, AR; one daughter, Laura Jean Watson of Vinita, OK; two brothers, Leon Watson and John Burns, both of Bogata; three sisters, Doris Morris of Salem, IL, Mary Kelly of Powderly and Norma Jean Wooten of Wylie.

Kathryn Nolen Quicksall dies June 13

Kathryn Nolen Quicksall, age 75, retired manager for a mobile home park, died Tuesday, June 13 in Hurst Care Center, Hurst, TX.

Services were held at 1:00 p.m. Thursday at Lucas Funeral Home with burial in Bluebonnet Hills Memorial Park.

She was born April 3, 1925 in Cunningham, Lamar County. She preceded in death by her husband Boyd Quicksall; her mother, Clara (Tad) Allen Nolen Howell; her father, Fred Nolen; stepfather, Silas Howell; sister, Clarine Nolen Stout; and a brother, John Howell.

Surviving are a brother, Doyle Howell of Pacific, MO; sisters, Martha and her husband, Irby White of Houston, Neva and her husband J.R. Byrd of Hurst; numerous aunts, nieces, nephews and cousins and a host of loving friends.

Mattie Jane Rogers dies June 24

Mattie Jane Rogers, age 74 of Mt. Pleasant, formerly of Bogata died Saturday, June 24 in an auto accident in Longview.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, June 27 under the pavilion of Bogata Cemetery with Rev. Park Roberson officiating. Wood Funeral Home made burial in Bogata Cemetery.

Mrs. Rogers was born August 16, 1926 in Texas, the daughter of Tom Dennis and Linnie Mae Miller Armstrong.

She is survived by one daughter, Gladys Lee Eastman of Fairmont; two sons, Johnny Dale Wood of Jasper and Eddie Wood of Shepherd; one sister, Myrtle Gilley of Newton; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Card of Thanks

To all of our friends and neighbors who supported us during the loss of our mother. Thanks for the prayers, food, cards, phone calls, visits, money and beautiful flowers. Thanks to the staff of Dr. Tobin, Dialysis Center and patients for being a caring family during the time our mother needed them. Thanks to the staff of Deport Nursing Home, Parkway C. Center for all their support during our loss. Thanks to Christ St. Joseph Hospital staff for all their support and caring during her short stay. Special thanks to Wood Funeral Home, Larry Haskell, Jane O'Neal and Geneva Norwood for the nice service and special words. May God bless all of you. Once again, Thanks.

The Helen Cruise Family

"Holiday Hero" blood drive is underway

Stewart Regional Blood Center in conjunction with KNUE will host its "Holiday Hero" blood drives in a concerted effort to increase blood donations and awareness of how critical blood donations are to East Texas communities. The Holiday Hero event is scheduled to run through July 4.

The summer months are the most critical time because of the high usage of blood products in East Texas. KNUE is and has been a great community partner in efforts to relieve

the suffering of patients in East Texas hospitals by sponsoring blood drives.

To commemorate the event, blood donors will receive a "Holiday Hero" T-shirt with donation at selected blood drives.

Most blood types are still in the critical stage. To donate, you must be at least 17 years old, weigh more than 110 pounds, and be in good general health. Donating is simple, takes about 30 minutes or less, healthy and life saving. Also remember to bring a photo I.D.

June 29, 2000
Happy 4th of July!

Grilled Corn and Peppers

3 cups Italian Dressing
8 large ears of corn
4 medium green peppers-julienned
4 medium sweet red peppers-julienned
2 medium red onions
Place dressing in large resealable plastic bag or shallow glass container. Husk and clean corn and add peppers, onions and corn into bag and turn to coat. Seal or cover and refrigerate for 30 minutes. Drain and discard marinade. Place vegetables in grill pan or disposable foil pan with holes punched in the bottom. Grill, covered over medium heat for 25 minutes or until corn is tender; turn frequently.

Basil Cherry Tomatoes

3 pints cherry tomatoes-halved
1/2 cup fresh basil
1/2 teaspoons olive or vegetable oil
salt and pepper to taste
lettuce leaves-optional
In a bowl, combine tomatoes, basil, oil and salt and pepper. Cover and refrigerate until serving. Serve on lettuce leaves if desired.

Tangy Chicken Legs

1 cup brewed coffee
1 cup ketchup
1/2 cup sugar
1/2 cup Worcestershire sauce
1/4 cup vinegar
1/8 teaspoon pepper
8 grilled or broiled chicken leg quarters
In saucepan, combine first six ingredients. Bring to boil; reduce heat and simmer uncovered for 30-35 minutes or until thickened; stirring occasionally. Brush over cooked chicken.



Orange Vegetable Kabobs

1 large sweet onion
1 large unpeeled navel orange
1 medium red sweet pepper-1 inch pieces
1 medium sweet yellow pepper-1 inch pieces
8 medium fresh mushrooms
8 cherry tomatoes
2 small summer squash-1 inch slices
Marinade:
1/2 cup olive or vegetable oil
1/3 cup lemon juice
1-1/2 teaspoon sugar
1 teaspoon salt-optional
1/4 teaspoon garlic powder
1/4 teaspoon pepper
2 tablespoon orange juice
Cut onion and orange into eight wedges; halve each wedge. Alternately thread vegetables and orange pieces onto skewers. Place in shallow oblong dish. In bowl, whisk marinade ingredients and pour over skewered vegetables. Marinate for 15 minutes; turning and basting frequently. Grill, covered, over direct heat until vegetables are tender-crisp. Brush with orange juice before serving.

Honey-Lime Grilled Chicken

1/2 cup honey
1/3 cup soy sauce
1/4 cup lime juice
4 boneless-skinless chicken breast
In resealable plastic bag or shallow glass container, combine honey, soy sauce and lime juice; mix well. Add chicken and turn to coat. Seal or cover and refrigerate for 30-45 minutes. Drain and discard marinade. Grill chicken, uncovered over medium heat for 6-7 minutes on each side or until juices run clear.

Make-Ahead Shortcake

1 loaf angel food cake
1/2 cup cold milk
1 package instant vanilla pudding mix
1 pint vanilla ice cream-softened
1 package strawberry gelatin
1 cup boiling water
2 packages frozen sweetened strawberries
Cut cake into one inch slices and arrange in single layer in an ungreased 13x9x2 pan. In mixing bowl, beat milk and pudding mix for 2 minutes or until thickened; beat in ice cream. Pour over cake. Chill. In a bowl, dissolve gelatin in boiling water; stir in frozen strawberries. Chill until partially set. Spoon over pudding mixture. Chill until firm. Garnish with fresh strawberries if desired.



*Meeting time is 2nd and 4th Monday night at 7:00 p.m.
*Post is open Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 3:00 p.m. until 12:00 midnight, and Saturday from 12:00 noon until 1:00 a.m.
*Thursday at 7:00 p.m. is 42 playing time and Pool and shuffleboard are open all the time.
*The VFW will be starting a pool tournament on Tuesday night at 7:00 pm. Everyone is invited to come out for competition and fellowship.
*The VFW Ladies Auxiliary will host a cake walk at the Bogata Frontier Days from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. Members are asked to please bring their cakes before 10:00 a.m.
*The Fourth of July meal will be fried catfish with all the trimmings this year. Make plans to come and join in for good food and fellowship beginning at 12:00 noon.
*The annual Frontier Day cake walk was well attended with 15 good cakes. Thanks is extended to those who supported the event.
*Happy Birthday to Betty Spencer, Larry Crow, Vivian Moss, Gerald Miller, Dale House, Margie Garrett, J.C. Smith and Buddy Rushing.
*Get Well to June Kellen, Margaret L. Bean, Deon McKeegan, Jean Smith.
*Sympathy is extended to June Kellen in the death of her sister and Jerry Barns in the death of his brother.

THANK YOU
I want to express my appreciation for the cards, calls, gifts and to those who attended by 90th birthday celebration. You made this birthday so very special.
Mac Webb

People spend a great deal of their time preparing for things. We save money in order to buy a house, start planning and shopping for Christmas presents sometime a year in advance, we plan ahead so that we will be financially able to do things so we can better afford them. But more often than not we never think about planning for our funerals until we are faced with death, and sometimes it catches us unprepared. To save your family the financial stress of paying for your final expenses, start preparing today. A prearrangement guarantees that your expenses are taken care of; that your family will have one less responsibility at the time of your death; and that your funeral service can be handled according to your wishes. The James Wood Family will be happy to answer any questions that you might have, so start preparing today.

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Tammy Lynn Sheppard with fiance Michael Harrington

Sheppard-Harrington to wed

Tammy Lynn Sheppard and Michael Harrington will be married at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 19, 2000 at the American Legion Hall in Deport.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Sheppard of Deport. She is employed by Red River Valley Pathology Laboratory in Paris.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Harrington of Blossom. He is employed by Jones Automotive in Paris.

Friends and relatives of the couple are cordially invited to attend the ceremony and reception following.

The couple will make their home in Paris.



Shasta Dawn Riley, with fiance Bradly James Penner

Riley-Penner to exchange vows

Mr. and Mrs. Eran L. Yoder of Paris and Mr. and Mrs. Paul D. Riley of Azle proudly announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Shasta Dawn Riley, to Bradly James Penner.

The couple will exchange vows at 7:30 in the evening of Sunday, July 16, 2000 at Bywaters Park in Paris. All family and friends are welcome to attend.

The bride-to-be is the granddaughter of Mrs. Edna Talley, the late Bill Talley of Deport, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Farris of Detroit, Mrs. Betty Riley and the late Don Riley of Decatur. She is a 1999 graduate of Prairiland

High School and will attend Southeastern University this fall to pursue a career in physical therapy. Shasta is employed by Traditions Outlet in Paris.

Her fiance is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Yancy Penner of Antlers, OK. He is the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Penner of Ferris, OK and Mr. and Mrs. James Eskue of Antlers, OK. Brad is a 1995 graduate of Antlers High School and a 2000 graduate of Oklahoma Law Enforcement and is employed by Lake Texoma in Durant, OK.

The couple will reside in Durant.

Thought is the labor of the intellect, reverie is its pleasure.



Mr. and Mrs. Steven Davidson

Simmons and Davidson exchange vows in outdoor wedding

Stephanie Marie Simmons and Steven Ray Davidson of Deport, Texas, were united in marriage at 2:00 p.m. on May 27, 2000 in the Charles Foster Park in Deport with Bro. Glynn Renfro performed the double-ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Kathy Simmons of Deport and John Simmons of Horn Lake, Mississippi. She is the granddaughter of Ruth and the late Richard Chapman of Deport and W.R. and Nancy Simmons of Southaven, Mississippi.

The groom is the son of Charles Ray and Linda Davidson of Deport. He is the grandson of Mrs. Irene Nichols and the late Smith and Torra Davidson of Deport.

A floral and greenery arch and other wedding decorations were furnished by Linda Hines, the groom's aunt.

Wedding music and songs were provided by Lawrinda Stogsdill of Deport.

The bride was escorted to the altar by her father, John Simmons and given in marriage by her parents. She wore a candlelight colored formal-length satin gown with matching headpiece and veil.

She carried a cascading bouquet of pink and white roses.

Jennifer Drinnon of Deport, served the bride as maid of honor. Julia

Grossmann of Deport and Haley Thomas of Paris served as flower girls. David Darden of Deport served the groom as best man.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held under the pavilion at the park. The bride's cake was a white Western three tiered with lassos, horseshoes, barbed wire fencing with a cowboy bride and groom served with a fruit punch.

The groom's cake was a chocolate double horseshoe served with lime sherbert punch.

The couple was honored with a rehearsal dinner at Dan and Kay Zackary's.

The couple were honored with several social events and showers prior to the wedding. A shower was held at Kay Zackary's. The Pattonville Baptist Church gave them a pounding. There was a bachelorette party held at the home of Karen Grossmann. A shower was held at Linda Hine's home.

The bride is a graduate of Horn Lake High in Horn Lake, Miss. and employed by the Lonesome Dove Restaurant as a waitress.

The groom is a graduate of Prairiland High School and is an employee of Turner Piping in Paris.

Following a honeymoon to Jefferson, the couple will reside in Deport.

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Farm Bureau contest is July 22

The Red River Farm Bureau Miss Texas Farm Bureau, Talent Find and Little Miss and Little Mister contests will be held Saturday, July 22 at Avery Middle School Cafeteria. Scholarships are given in the Miss Texas Farm Bureau contest and the Talent Find contest as follows:
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Contestants for Miss Texas Farm Bureau must be between ages 16-19 as of September 1, 2000. Daughter or sister of Texas Farm Bureau member. She must be single, live in Red River County and enter only one contest per year. She can participate at the district level no more than two times.

Contestants for the Talent Find contest must be between the ages of 16-19 as of September 1, 2000. Contestant can enter only one contest per year. Performance must be confined

to normal stage setting. Must be amateur, Texas Farm Bureau member or member of Texas Farm Bureau family. Contestants can participate at the district level no more than two times.

Contestants for Little Miss and Little Mister must be children or grandchildren of Red River County Farm Bureau members. They must be between age 4-6 at date of contest. Formal attire is not necessary.

New for 2000, a Junior Miss Farm Bureau, and Junior Talent Find. Competition county level only. Contestants are to be ages 12, 13, 14 and 15 as of date of contest and must be sons or daughters and/or grandchildren of Texas Farm Bureau members.

Entry forms are available at the Red River County Farm Bureau office. Deadline for entry forms is July 17 and all forms should be returned

before close of business day. For information, call 427-2145 or 684-3170.



Robbie Somerville, \$1,500 scholarship winner at Roundup

Youth represent District IV at Texas Roundup in College Station

Two youth from Red River County 4-H represented District IV 4-H at Texas Roundup held in College Station on June 12-16.

Heather Smith of the Midway 4-H Club participated in the 4-H Fabric and Fashion Design Contest on June 13. The contest focuses on design ideas, design principles and elements and on designing fabrics, apparel and accessories. Heather entered the apparel category. She competed against the top eleven 4-H contestants from each district in the state of Texas.

Robbie Somerville of the Midway 4-H Club participated in the Texas 4-H Fashion Show on June 14. The fashion show provides opportunities to exhibit skills in application of knowledge of fibers and fabrics, wardrobe selection, clothing construction techniques and garment care, comparison shopping, fashion interpreta-

tion and understanding of style good grooming and presentation skills. Robbie competed in Consumer Buying-Dressy category and modeled her dress during the show. She won first place in her category, receiving a certificate and \$200.00.

Robbie also received a \$1,500.00 4-H Opportunity Scholarship provided by the Federal Land Bank during 4-H Scholarship Assembly on June 13. She was invited to a special banquet on June 13, honoring 4-H donors. Robbie was able to meet a representative from Federal Land Bank and visit with him that evening. She had previously submitted her application in March and participated in a scholarship interview on June 11 in College Station. She was matched with one of 155 scholarships given away at the roundup based on common interests, college plans, financial needs and career selection.



BRANDON DODD was honored on his second birthday with a party given by his parents, Chad and Heather Dodd. His birthday cake was surrounded around the edge with a road, complete with cars and trucks. Attending were his sister, Maurissa, his maternal grandparents and five friends with their families. The children enjoyed playing on the swing set and in the sand box. Guests were served BBQ chicken, salad, baked beans, cake, punch and tea. Brandon enjoyed opening his gifts and especially liked the cars he received. The family lives in Paso Robles, California. Brandon is the grandson of Gayla Dodd of Garland and Ed Dodd of Paris. He is the great-grandson of Nadine Caldwell of Talco and Dorothy and Grady Dodd of Johnstown. As shown in this photo, Brandon likes to top off a good meal with an olive.

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Linda Woods

Linda Woods graduates from UT, Tyler

Linda Woods graduated from the University of Texas at Tyler on May 6, 2000. She received a Bachelor of Science degree in Interdisciplinary Studies.

Linda is the daughter of Mrs. Bob Mauldin and the daughter-in-law of Dorothy Morris, both of Bogata. She and her husband, Wayne reside in Gladewater. They have 3 sons, Michael Alford of Frisco, Jesse



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Woods of Mesquite and Bradley Woods of Austin, 2 daughters-in-law, Laura Alford and Kenderly Woods and 2 grandchildren, Alex Alford and Cierra Woods.

Attending the graduation was her husband Wayne, sons, Bradley Woods and Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Woods, Wyndell Dixon, Charlie Harper and Erick and her mother-in-law, Dorothy Morris.

Stevens family reunion held June 24-25

Thirty-eight direct descendants of Wallace Stevens, Mary and Ida Stevens attended a reunion in Stratford, Oklahoma the 24 and 25 of June, 2000. The event was hosted by Kenneth and Liz Stevens and their children, Amy, Selina, Melissa and great, great grandson, Kenny.

Attending were Mildred Stevens Eudy and son, Danny Eudy of Bogata, Shelia Eudy Howison and John of Dallas, Nancy Stevens Moore and husband, Wayne of Norman, OK., Thersa Stevens Sessiunes of Ft. Worth, Dorothy Stevens of Noble, OK., Debra Stevens and husband, Harold of Norman, OK., Glen and

Chris Stevens of Noble, OK., Greg and Donna Stevens of Oklahoma City, OK. and children, Eric, Scarlette, Mike, Kelly Stevens Knight and husband, Mike, Keven and Pam Moore of Norman, OK., Mark Stevens and children, Stetson and Donna, Sherry Smith and children, Donald and Nancy of Norman, OK.

Everyone joined in the games played including horse shoes and bingo, in which homemade gifts were given to winners, fishing, horseback riding and playing golf. Lots of good food and fellowship was enjoyed by all.

Prayer at football games

Recently the United States Supreme Court issued a 6-3 decision upholding the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals' decision prohibiting student-led prayer at high school football games.

In Doe v. Santa Fe ISD, the Fifth Circuit overturned a school district policy allowing students to recite prayers over the public address system at football games, holding that the policy violated the Establishment Clause of the United States Constitution. In the recent decision, the Supreme Court upheld the lower court's decision, stating "The policy is invalid on its face because it establishes an improper majoritarian election on religion, and unquestionably has the purpose and creates the perception of encouraging the delivery

of prayer at a series of important school events."

The decision appears to prohibit school-sponsored student-led prayer at all extracurricular activities. The Court emphasized, however, that the decision does not prohibit public school students from voluntarily praying at any time before, during, or after the school day, so long as the school does not sponsor the prayer.

Furthermore, the decision does not address moments of silence. TASB Legal Services believes that school districts are free to begin football games with a moment of silence to reflect upon issues such as student safety and good sportsmanship, so long as the adoption of the moment of silence is not for the purpose of promoting religion.

Talco Locals

David Stansell was admitted to Titus County Regional Hospital Tuesday where he was treated for kidney stones. He is reported home and doing well.

Bobbie Price is reported home and doing well after being checked at Titus County Regional Hospital for possible appendicitis last week.

Cindy Watts, daughter, Mellisa Sinclair and granddaughter, Avalea Sinclair visited daughter, sister and aunt, Tawala Padgett in Euless Sunday.

Jerry Brown is reported doing well

after being treated and released at Titus County Regional Hospital last week with possible kidney stones.

Nancy Brown, Whitney Savage and Cassandra Norman enjoyed supper at the Lonesome Dove Restuarant in Deport Thursday evening.

Marcus Savage, Eddie Gene Norman, Kyle Hines and Charles Ray Savage returned Monday from a vacation trip to Louisiana.

Mark Jackson left Thursday for latvia where he will conduct summer camp for latvian orphans. He will spend 11 days before returning home.

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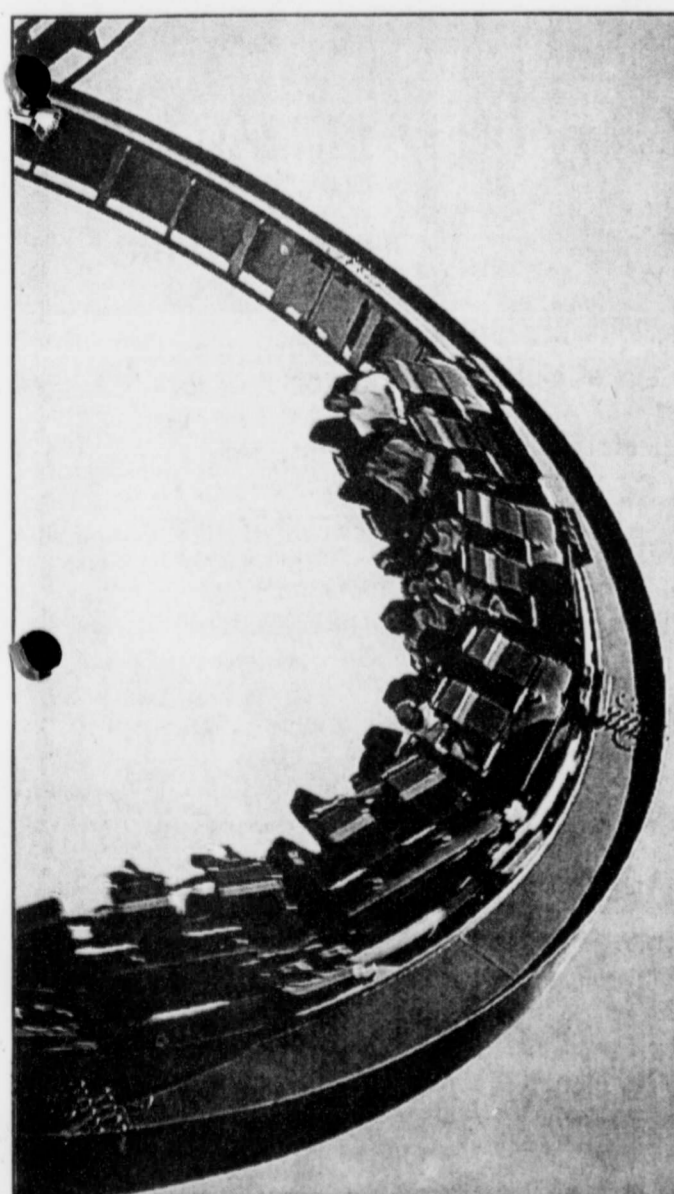
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TUFFE-NUFF TEAM: Back row from left: Mike Screws, Lacie Cole, Hali Screws, Calvin Graham, Katie White, Kalee Graham, Joe David White, Miranda Mauldin, Courtney Merchant. Front row: Lauren Beers, Hailey Norwood, Sarah Hare, Kayleigh Griffin, Whitney Shackelford and Todd Cole. Not pictured are Allison Felty and Mindy Cole.

Tuff-E-Nuff places fifth in state

Tuff-E-Nuff placed fifth in the B bracket at Longview this past weekend. On Friday night they won one and lost one in pool play. They lost to the Texarkana Lady Hawks in the first game 3-2. In the second game they defeated the Lindale Blaze 6-1. On Saturday they started bracket play. In the first game they defeated the Longview Diamond Dawgs 7-1. That afternoon they played the Lindel Blaze again and beat them in a tight game 7-6. In the nightcap on Saturday they suffered their first loss 5-2 to the Texas Blaze out of Lufkin. On Sunday morning they had to play the Chandler Charmers. They lost the game 4-3 in a fight to the finish. The top 4 teams received an automatic trip to Nationals. We were just happy

to make it to Sunday since we were the only first year team in the tournament. The team consists of: Hali Screws, Hailey Norwood, Lacie Cole and Kalee Graham from Deport Schools; Katie White, Kalee Griffen, Whitney Shackelford, Allison Felty from North Lamar Schools; Sarah Hare, Lauren Beers, Courtney Merchant from Bogata and Miranda Mauldin from Talco. The girls will be playing in Nacogdoches, July 7-9 for the A.S.A. Class A State Tournament. If you are interested in making a donation to help with getting these kids to Nacogdoches, call Mike Screws at 652-220434 or 6512-2820 or Calvin Graham at 982-6425, Todd or Mindy Cole at 785-2286 or Joe David White at 732-4534.

Humane Society offering help

The Red River County Humane Society will assist all county residents with the cost of spaying and neutering their pets. Funds have been made available through the Lennox Foundation for this purpose. A request form must be completed by the person requesting this service.

The Society is currently offering a July special. The Humane Society will pay 100% of the cost of spay-neuter of your cats and will pay up to \$50.00 towards the spay or neuter of dogs. You must request this service during the month of July, 2000 to receive these special benefits.

The surgery may be performed at the veterinarian of your choice. For information or to receive a request form, please call 427-0027 or 427-0801.

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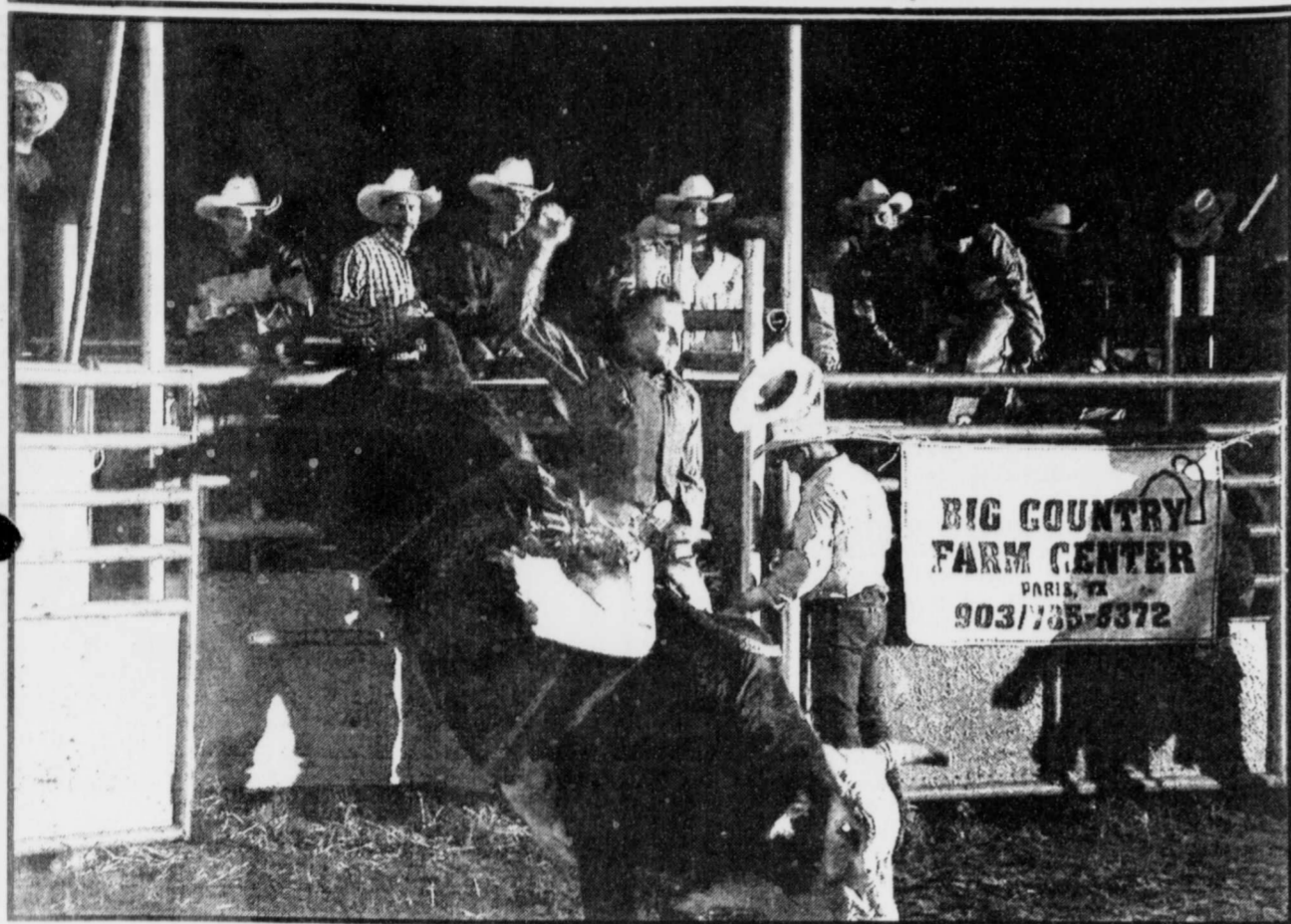
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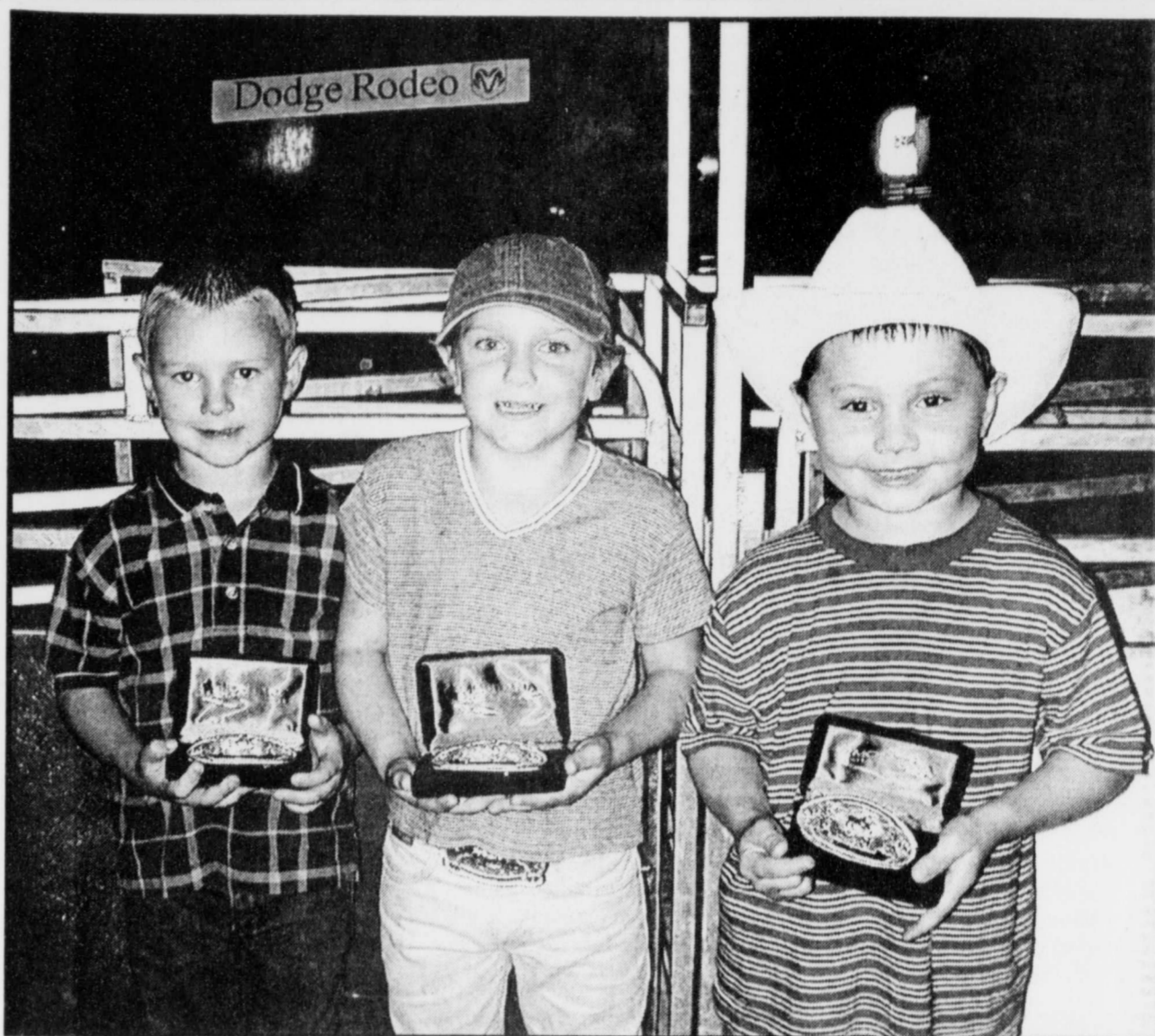
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BOGATA RODEO 2000- The bull riding was fast and furious at the rodeo last weekend in Bogata. Local and visiting bullriders challenged the bovine monsters for the winning purse. (Staff Photo Thomas Nichols)



MUTTIN BUSTIN CHAMPS- Rob Ward captured the first place buckle with Brittany Walesiak taking second place buckle, and Jacob Harville took the third place buckle. (Staff Photo Thomas Nichols)



HANG ON UNTIL THE BUZZER SOUNDS- The Mutton Bustin- was fun for all at the Bogata Rodeo last weekend. (Staff Photo Thomas Nichols)



Bogata Rodeo hosts 257 cowboys and cowgirls

The Bogata Rodeo 2000 played host to 257 cowboy and cowgirl members of the C.R.R.A. during the three action-packed nights of competition. Even though the rains prohibited parking near the arena, the competition did not suffer inside the arena, as top scores and low times took the top monies in the seven championship events.

The biggest single money winners at the rodeo were the calf roping winner and the cowgirls barrel racing winner, each winning \$842.24 for their take home pay.

Bogata Locals

Sunday lunch guests with Donald, Judy and Tana Screws were Jerry, Chris Anna, Christopher and Jerred Guerra of Paris.

Visiting with Dixie Stringfellow during the weekend were Joe and Misty Stringfellow and sons, Tyler, Darrn, Brent, Josh and Jake and their friend, Colt Moore; Billy and Kathy Stringfellow, Kaley and Kellen; Chad and Felina White and Jerica; Buddy Stringfellow and grandchildren, Janelle, Jessica and Noah and 2 of their friends; Danny Tabb and Judi Maddux; Michael Tabb and Suzann Holland; Vicki Tabb; Tommy Dee and Ruth Anderson and their friends, Don and Wanda.

Recent visitors with Donald, Judy and Tana Screws were Mike, Kara and Hali Screws of Deport.



Buford and Gale Hervey have recently returned from Wassenaar, The Netherlands, visiting their daughter and family, Dean, Lynda, Traci and Trey Woodward. While there they attended the high school graduation of their granddaughter, Traci Woodward, who graduated from the American School of The Hague. Accompanying them were their son and family, Bo, Sherri and Kailee Hervey. Traci will be attending Texas A & M at College Station in the fall.

The calf roping championship went home to Okmulgee, OK with Randy Jackson with a time of :08.27. Times ranged from there to :10.09 for sixth place.

Tracy Rankin of Quitman, TX was the winner of the distaff event with a :16.443 second run, besting the other 47 entrants in her event.

Jackie Hammett of Detroit, TX was fifth in the money with her :16.596 second run. Jackie received \$236.88. She is in contention for the 2000 Rookie of the Year honors for the C.R.R.A. Two and two-tenths seconds separated first from sixth in the girls competition.

Veteran horse rider Audie Reagan of Benton, LA won the bareback riding championship with a score of 82 points, receiving \$488.80 for his efforts.

Saddle bronc honors were split with 76's between Walker White of Henderson and Jimmy Lovelady of

Mount Alba, TX. Each cowboy received \$411.25 for their eight seconds work.

Mike Lee of Paradise, TX won the bull riding championship at the Bogata rodeo, marking an 85. Mike's share of the bull riding purse was \$676.80.

In steer wrestling, Kenny Newton of Bowie, TX was the fastest, with a :3.57 second run. Newton gathered a check for \$767.04. Times ranged from his 3-second run to sixth place :4.46 seconds.

Keith Bacon of Boswell, OK and team partner Wayne Carter of Colbert, OK were the big winners in the tandem event, turning in a :5.27

second run, each pocketing \$714.00 for their share of the team roping earnings. Bacon also placed fourth in the event with team partner Chuck Speck on their :5.56 second run.

Total payoff at the rodeo was \$16,638.00, paid by Rodeo Secretary Sharon Autrey of Atlanta, TX.

Rodeo officials were Mickey Delashaw of Durant, OK and Larry McIntosh of Longview, TX.

Doug Williams, veteran announcer from Idabel, OK was again behind the microphone for the three day contest and Rudy Burns from Louisiana was the rodeo's contract act.

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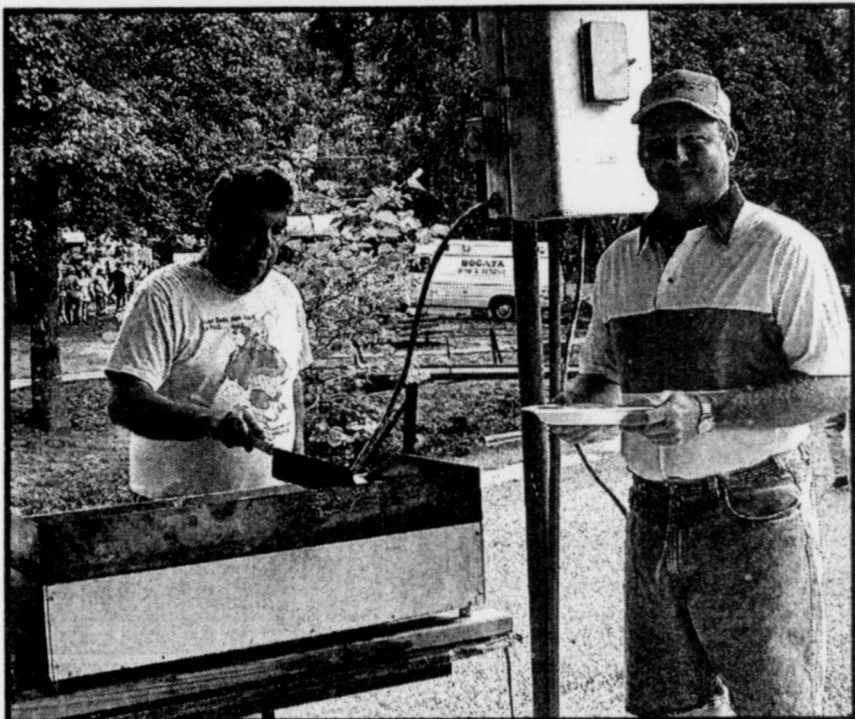
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HOME GROWN-Mrs. Dora Flenniken was kind enough to share one of her home grown tomatoes with the Bogata News this week. Although no scale was available to weigh the huge tomato a guess would be 2 lbs or better and measures more than six inches across. And, oh, was it delicious! (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



KENNETH JEFFERY-served up delicious pancakes at the Bogata Lions Club sponsored pancake breakfast held at the Bogata Frontier Day on Saturday. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Cunningham homecoming to feature play, meal

The Cunningham L Homecoming will be Saturday, July 1st at the community center. Registration and visiting will begin at 1:00 p.m. Games will begin at 3:00 p.m.

A welcome, recognizing guests and a play "Project Cunningham"

honoring F.E. and Carolyn McGahan will begin at 5:00 p.m. The catered barbecue meal will be served at 6:00 p.m.

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"Using the Internet to Market Your business" will be held Thursday, July 8 from 1:30 to 4:00 p.m. in the Alford Center. Fee is \$25. If you're ready to market your small business using e-mail, newsgroups and your web site, as effective marketing tools, then this seminar is for you. Topics include such things as creating e-mailing lists, indexing and advertising your web site, getting and keeping web site traffic and how to monitor and count this traffic.

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First Mondays
NAMI (National Alliance for the Mentally Ill) Consumers meeting will be held on the first Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church located at 4th and Madison in Mt. Pleasant, Tx. All interested persons are invited to attend.

Monday and Wednesday
Rivercres High School gym will be open for the Lady Rebels entering 7th grade through 12th grade every Monday and Wednesday evening from 8:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

June 29
Vacation Bible School will be held June 29, 2000 at the Talco Calvary Baptist Church from 9am to 3:30 pm. Children pre-K through 6th grade are invited to attend. Older children are invited to help with the days activities. For more information contact Bro. Rex Jackson at 379-3981.

July 4
Plan to attend the July 4th Fireworks Display at Red River Healthcare Center in Bogata.

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Plan to attend the July 4th Fireworks Display and celebration at the Talco Park beginning at 7:30 p.m. with entertainment and an old fashioned ice cream social. For more information contact Karen Jones at 379-2571 or Judy Sloan at 379-7621.

July 30-August 2
Plan to attend Revival services at the Talco Calvary Baptist Church July 30 through August 2. Evangelist, Roy Edmonds will be the guest speaker.

Notice
Alcoholics Anonymous beginning in July will meet on every Wednesday only at 8 p.m. in the St. Joseph's Catholic Church Rec. Room in Clarksville. Everyone is Welcome.

Public Notices

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ISSUE CITY OF DEPORT, TEXAS CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION
TAKE NOTICE that the City Council of the City of Deport, Texas, shall convene at 7:00 o'clock p.m. on the 10th day of July, 2000, at the City Hall, 201 Main Street, Deport, Texas, and, during such meeting, the City Council will consider the passage of an ordinance authorizing the issuance of certificates of obligation in an amount not to exceed \$350,000 for the purpose of paying contractual obligations to be incurred for (i) improvements and extensions to the City's Waterworks System and (ii) professional services rendered in relation to such project and the financing thereof; such certificates to be payable from ad valorem taxes and a lien on and pledge of the net revenue of the City's combined Waterworks and Sewer System. The certificates are to be issued, and this notice is given, under and pursuant to the provisions of V.T.C.A., Local Government Code, Subchapter C of Chapter 271.
Sharon Francis,
City Secretary,
City of Deport, Texas
6-29

NOTICE OF WATER RATE INCREASE
The City of Talco, Texas will increase the water rates to the following:
\$15.00 first 2000 gallons
2.40 per thousand next 18,000 gallons
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These rates will go into effect 7-1-2000.
6-29

ADVERTISEMENT AND INVITATION FOR BIDS
The City of Talco, Texas will receive bids for 2000 TCDP Project No. 720819 Waste-water Collection System Improvements until 2:30 p.m., Tuesday, July 11, 2000 at City Hall, Broad St., P.O. Box 365, Talco, Texas 75487. Bids are invited for the several items and quantities of work as follows:
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Bid/Contract Documents, including Drawings and Technical Specifications are on file at KSA Engineers, Inc., P.O. Box 1552, 140 E. Tyler Street, Suite 600, Longview, Texas 75606, 903-236-7700, FAX 903-236-7779, www.ksaeng.com.
Copies of the Bid/Contract Documents may be obtained by depositing \$50.00 with KSA Engineers, Inc. for each set of documents

INVITATION TO BID
The Commissioners Court of Red River County wants to purchase one 1997 3/4 ton pickup for Precinct #1. Good condition, regular cab, automatic and a/c. Bids must be received by the auditor's office 10:00 a.m., July 7. Bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope and marked "pickup bid". At that time, the bids will be opened and read publicly. Action on the bids is then at the discretion of the Commissioners Court. The court reserves the right to refuse and to accept the bid deemed in the best interest of the county.
Shirley Anderson,
Red River County Auditor
6-29

INVITATION TO BID
The Detroit Independent School District is seeking bids on the lease of four temporary classrooms. The lease term is a minimum of ten months and a maximum of twenty-two months.
Interested bidders should contact the Detroit I.S.D. for a copy of the bid specifications. Call 903-674-6131 or visit the Superintendent's Office at 210 Garner Street (U.S. Hwy 82), Detroit, Texas for specifications and other details.
Deadline for receiving bids is 11:00 a.m. July 13, 2000.
Bids will be opened in the superintendent's office at 9:00 a.m., Monday, July 17, 2000. The district may reject and or all proposals.
Freddy Wade
Interim Superintendent
7-6

PUBLIC NOTICE
REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS
Demolition and removal of Blossom Vegetable Market.
The City of Blossom requests proposals for the demolition and removal of the Blossom Vegetable Market, commonly known as "Dan's Shed", located on US Highway 82 in downtown Blossom.
Respondents should provide the following information:
1. Completion date of total removal.
2. Method of removal and disposition of materials.
3. Offer to the City for all materials to be removed (Revenues for same to be dedicated to Dan Bolton Memorial Monument Fund)
For additional information, contact Tony Chance, City Administrator, 903-982-5900.
Proposals must be received at Blossom City Hall, 1240 W. Front Street, P.O. Box 297, Blossom, TX 75416 prior to 4:00 p.m., July 13, 2000.
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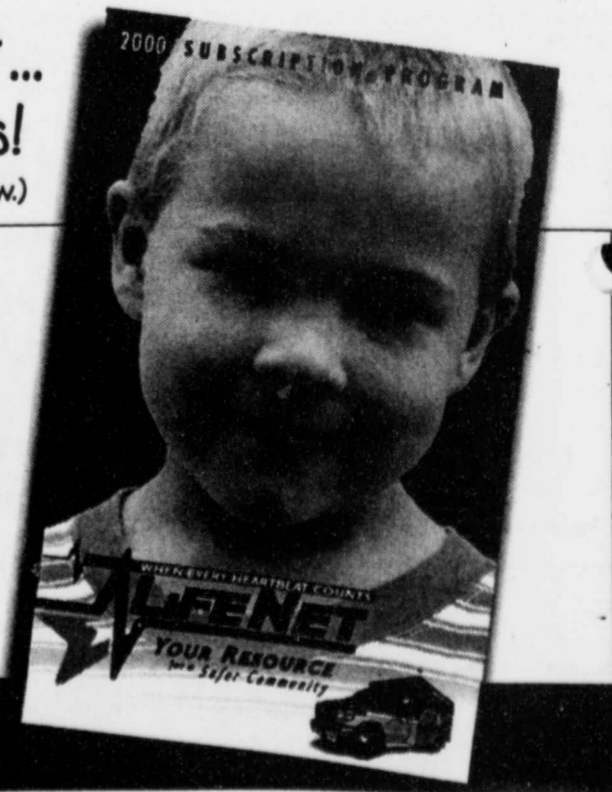
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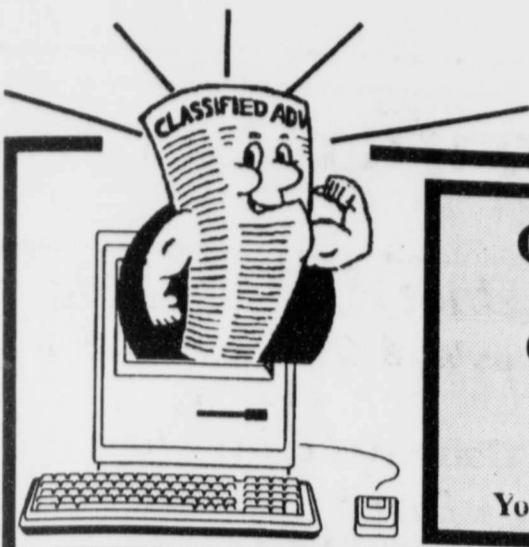
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Tri-County Tour planned

The beef and forage tour involving producers from Delta, Lamar and Red River counties will be held Tuesday, July 11.

Tour participants will meet at the Texaco in Blossom to board the bus. Registration will begin at 8 a.m., departure will be at 8:30. The group will tour four locations in Lamar and Red River Counties. Max Ballard and Hicks' Limousin Ranches in the

Blossom area, Circle C Ranch near Detroit and Sammy Andrews ranch near Addielou. The cost of the tour will be \$20.00 per person which will include bus fare and a catered barbeque meal served at noon.

All area producers are invited to attend. Please contact the Extension office at 427-3867 to register prior to Friday, July 7.



The world of funeral service is constantly changing. Many of family owned funeral homes have given way to corporations that for whatever reason fail to give the individual service that has long since been the trademark of the funeral industry. Casket stores & burial societies have tried to place the emphasis on ways of saving you money with no thoughts to service and the personnel that provide them. Long after a funeral is ended it won't be the type of casket or how nice the funeral home was decorated that will be remembered by the family. What will be remembered is the caring service offered by a compassionate staff that allowed the family to express their grief in a way that was healing for them. That is something that you can't put a price on—something that cannot be discounted.

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BRISKETS \$1 ⁰⁹ Lb. 		TIP TOP CURED HAM Whole \$1 ⁴⁹ Lb. Butt Half \$1 ⁶⁹ Lb. Shank \$1 ⁴⁹ Lb. 		OWEN'S SAUSAGE 2 Lb. Roll \$3 ⁸⁹ Reg. or Hot OWEN'S SMOKED SAUSAGE 1 Lb. \$1 ⁹⁹ 		IMPERIAL SUGAR 4 Lb. \$1 ²⁹ 	
FRESH GROUND CHUCK \$1 ⁷⁹ Lb. 		EGGS Grade A Large 69¢ Doz.		COUNTY STORE CHICKEN LEG QUARTERS 5 Lb Bag 29¢ Lb.		LIPTON TEA BAGS Family Size 24 Ct. \$1 ³⁹ 	
VIVA PAPER TOWELS Reg. Roll 89¢ 		PORK RIBS 99¢ Lb.		DECKER WEINERS 12 Oz. 59¢ 		BLUE BONNET MARGARINE 4 Stick 2/\$1 	
FAMILY STYLE BREAD Large Loaf 79¢ 		GOLDEN ROYAL MILK Gal. 2% & Homo \$2 ⁷⁹ 		STAR KIST TUNA Water Or Oil Pk. 6 Oz. 2/\$1 		OWEN'S HOT LINKS 1 Lb. \$2 ⁶⁹ 	
FRITO LAY SNACK CRACKERS 8 Pk. 99¢ 		LAY'S POTATO CHIPS Reg. \$1 ⁴⁹ 69¢ 		OAK FARMS ICE CREAM 1/2 Gal. All Kinds \$2 ⁹⁹ 		REYNOLD'S HEAVY DUTY FOIL 37.5 Sq. Ft. \$1 ²⁹ 	
TOSTITOS CHIPS Reg. \$3 ²⁹ All Kinds \$2 ⁴⁹ 		KRAFT SANDWICH SPREAD 16 Oz. 99¢ 		KRAFT MIRACLE WHIP Salad Dressing 32 Oz. \$2 ¹⁹ 		PARADE BUTTERMILK BISCUITS 4/\$1 	
PRODUCE GREEN ONIONS 3/\$1 TOMATOES 69¢ Lb. BANANAS 39¢ Lb. RUSSETT POTATOES 39¢ Lb. POTATOES 10 Lb. Bag \$1 ⁵⁹ COLORADO PINTO BEANS 49¢ Lb.		FRITO LAY BEAN DIP 9 Oz. \$1 ⁷⁹ 		PRICE PIMENTO CHEESE SPREAD 14 Oz. \$1 ⁹⁹		SOLO PARTY CUPS 20-16 Oz. PLATES 15-9" 99¢ 	
KRAFT VELVEETA CHEESE 2 Lb. \$4 ⁴⁹ 		FRITTO LAY BEAN DIP 9 Oz. \$1 ⁷⁹ 		KRAFT BARBEQUE SAUCE 18 Oz. All Kinds 2/\$1 		ROTTEL TOMATOES 10 Oz. All Kinds 69¢ 	
VAN CAMP PORK & BEANS 16 Oz. RANCH STYLE BEANS 15 Oz. 2/89¢ 		FRITTO LAY BEAN DIP 9 Oz. \$1 ⁷⁹ 		LAUNDRY DETERGENT 42 Load \$6 ²⁹ 		FRENCH'S MUSTARD Sq. Btl. 16 Oz. 99¢ 	
COKE, DIET COKE, SPRITE DR. PEPPER, DIET DR. PEPPER 2 Liter 99¢ 3 Liter \$1 ⁴⁹ 12 Pk. \$3 ⁴⁹ 6 Pk. 16 Oz. Btls. \$2 ⁴⁹ 		FRITTO LAY BEAN DIP 9 Oz. \$1 ⁷⁹ 		LAUNDRY DETERGENT 42 Load \$6 ²⁹ 		PACE PICANTE SAUCE 20 Oz. Squeeze Btl. \$2 ²⁹ 	