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Happy New Year!

Greg and Kimberly Marshall, of Kirbyville, are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Camilla Marie, who is honored with being the first baby born in Tyler County in 1991. Camilla was born January 1, 1991 at 10:31 a.m. She weighed 5 lbs. 5 ozs. and was 18 inches long. The proud grandparents are George A. Marshall of Buna, Norma Butler of Bleakwood, and Nat Brush of Jasper.

Peyton Walters Gets D.C. Assignment

WASHINGTON, D.C. - A new year, a new Congress and new responsibilities are facing two key members of U.S. Representative Charles Wilson's (D-Tx) congressional staff. Peyton Walters, who for the past 12 years has been the Director of Wilson's district office, has moved to Washington, D.C. to take over the top staff position there. He replaces Charles Schnabel, Wilson's Administrative Assistant since 1985. Walters is an East Texas native and served as Polk County Judge for 8 years before joining Wilson's team.

Shaun Davis, who has worked for Wilson since 1986 as staff assistant in charge of special projects and economic development, will be taking over the job of District Office Director. Davis is originally from Southeast Texas, and is also well known around the district as the manager of Wilson's mobile office.

In making the announcement, Wilson said he was very pleased to have Walters moving up to Washington, and also confident that Davis would have no trouble in filling the District Director's chair. "He's a smart, hard-working and caring man," said Wilson, "and he's also 6'8" tall."

Have You Ordered Your Chamber Of Commerce Banquet Tickets Yet? (See Page 4-A)

Women's/Children's Shelter Needs Help

The Women and Children's Shelter of Southeast Texas is seeking to expand the list of volunteers it presently has. There are many and varied opportunities for volunteers to help with the staffing and maintenance of the Woodville office. Help is needed and appreciated if only an hour a week of your time can be donated.

For information, please call 283-8720 and the VISTA Volunteers will assist you in finding a place where you will be needed. The office is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. or by appointment.

The Shelter staff would like to take this opportunity to thank all the agencies, organizations and individuals who have worked for and donated to the Woodville office.

Winton Webster Achieves 4.0 At Lamar

Winton Webster, son of Frances Webster, of Ivanhoe, earned at 4.0 average at Lamar University for the semester which ended December, 1990.

Webster is a History-Economics major and resides in Beaumont. He is a 1984 graduate of Woodville High School.

According to Webster he plans to attend law school in the next fall semester.



CHAMPION DONATES \$1000 - Champion representative Sue Tortello, Forester for Champion International, is shown above making a \$1000 donation to the Women's And Children's Shelter of Southeast Texas. The money donated is a result of a Community Service Fund set up by Champion for their employees. Accepting the donation for the Shelter is Jeannie Buck (right), and Diane Dubon (left).

'Double Your Pleasure And Fun Too' Is Society Theme

With less than three weeks to go before it's Annual Membership Meeting, the Tyler County Heritage Society has launched a full fledged campaign to double its membership for 1991.

The theme for this year's membership campaign "Double Your Pleasure And Fun Too" is a direct steal from Wrigley's well-known Double Mint gum jingle, but it has a double meaning that has little to do with chewing gum.

Poster children for the campaign are Sunny and Tiffany, twin daughters of Susan Gardner, who with mother owns The Cottage Rose at Heritage Village Museum. The interference here, of course, is to remind all Tyler County residents that the stated purpose of the Heritage Society is to preserve Tyler County history for all generations to come.

Meanwhile, those same residents are urged to not only join or renew their membership in the Heritage Society, but consider doubling their pleasure in that membership by becoming a village volunteer.

A great deal has been accomplished at Heritage Village Museum during the past year. The cement slab has been removed and the Cherokee Church rebuilt inside the Village walls. The entire north side of the main street has been restored with the addition of the Turkey Creek Inn. A large demonstration area pole barn has been constructed, a small log utility shed dismantled and rebuilt by the Junior Historians. The Museum Store has been enlarged with three distinctive areas, directed to the arts, the pantry and the quilt, to give visitors a more pleasant area in which to shop.

During that same year, the Society staged a number of successful programs, which brought visitors to Woodville from throughout southeast Texas, as well as offering local residents a variety of entertaining diversions.

Much is left to be done at the Village, besides regular maintenance which is an on-going demand, to accomplish this with the Society's meager funds requires not only an increase in membership and donations, but the active participation of all its members. As most everyone knows, volunteerism is the back bone of any non-profit organization; involvement is its life's blood.

And so the Tyler County Heritage Society urges the entire community to get behind the Village as it did three years ago last October, when the Society purchased the Village and began its operation as a non-profit educational museum, dedicated to the preservation of Tyler County history.

Annual dues are just \$15 for Individual Memberships, \$25 for Family Memberships, \$50 for Small Business Memberships. Checks can be sent to the Tyler County Heritage Society, P.O. Box 888, Woodville, Texas 75979.

Letter Answered

Dear Sir:
This is a letter to my son that is in the second grade. He is not an Honor student. He is not a member of the ABBIT Society and he probably never will be. He has a learning disability that slows him down. He doesn't read well. He doesn't spell well. He has C's and D's on his report card.
We just want him to know we are very proud of him and what he can do.
William, just do the best you can.
Thank you,
Wanda Dickerson
Colmesnell

Dear Mrs. Dickerson,
Thank you for the letter you sent to your son via THE TYLER COUNTY BOOSTER.

Mr. John Morris, Publisher, gave the letter to me and asked me to answer it in my column.

Mrs. Dickerson, once we learn the gifts that children like William have, perhaps we (as a society) will see things differently.

To each, God gives a gift - often many gifts. He does not give the same gift to each of us.

Last week, on the TV program "Life Goes On", Corkey worked with dolphins. Corkey understood the dolphins. He had no scientific training in this field. He had not researched their "language". He knew their fears. He knew their love. This knowledge was God's gift to him.

It was only when he learned that the dolphins "fit in the scheme of things" that he realized that he, too, "fit in the scheme of things".

We all fit in the scheme of things if we will only allow ourselves and others to be formed into God's perfect work.

I grew up in a family tolerant of "differentness." My Great Uncle Paul had spinal meningitis when he was three years old. It left him without speech. Prior to this, he spoke fluent English and German.

My great grandparents didn't alienate him. They loved him. He went to school. No one knew him

to teach him. No one knew what to teach him. But he, like Corkey, knew many things. Uncle Paul could make most any plant grow. He communicated with birds. He could practically charm them out of the trees and lure them into his little handmade traps - and then set them free.

Although Uncle Paul died 49 years ago, his influence is still making its marks in the world today.

Among other things, Uncle Paul was a hero. When I was a toddler, he saved my life by snatching me from the proximity of a big black snake.

Three years later, when my toddling cousin, Mildred, disappeared from the watchful eyes of adults (as children sometimes do) and tumbled head over hills down the rushing waters of the irrigation ditch, Uncle Paul rescued her. He had not been distracted as had the so called "ordinary" adults.

In 1972, I was nearly blind. During this period of time and the years of recovery, God taught me many things that otherwise I never would have known - things about the wonderful dimension scientists refer to as the "sixth sense."

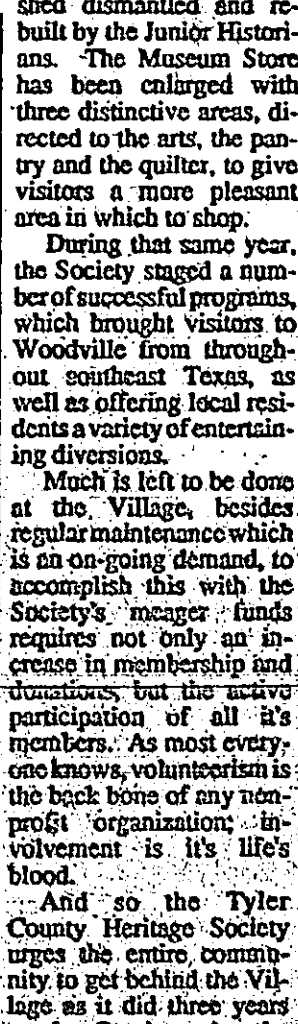
Taken from the Holy Bible - Ecclesiastes 3:1 "To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven", the author Roy Lessin sums it up beautifully.

"Just think, you're not here by chance, but by God's choosing. His hand formed you and made you the person you are. He compares you to no one else - you are one of a kind. You lack nothing that His grace can't give you. He has allowed you to be here at this time in history to fulfill His special purpose for this generation."

Mrs. Dickerson, it is my hope that you and your son have a real struggle in school and those who "don't measure up" to the world's standards, hold a vast amount of wonders the rest of the world has yet to discover.

May God richly bless you, William and all your loved ones. And may He show you the way. May He show you His way and help you to obey. Amen.

Sincerely,
Patsy Duke



New Pharmacy Owner

Assuming ownership January 1 of Bob's Prescription Shop, located at 1010 W. Bluff in Woodville are Mr. and Mrs. Rodney DeBoutin (Center and Right). Shown also is employee Rita Barnhart. New name of the apothecary style store is The Medicine Shop which is currently having an expansion sale. The new entity will sell prescription medicine and over-the-counter drugs. DeBoutin comes to the location with 31 years as a pharmacist with the Eckerd's Drug Chain.

Obituaries

Hankins H. Rhodes

Hankins H. Rhodes, 58, of Warren, died Saturday, January 5, 1991. He was a United States Veteran of the Korean War.

Funeral services were held January 8 at the Pace-Stancil Funeral Home Chapel in Cleveland, with Rev. Les Corey officiating. Interment followed at Ryan Cemetery under the direction of Pace-Stancil Funeral Home.

Survivors include his wife, Cris Rhodes of Warren; two sons, Charles R. Rhodes and David R. Rhodes, both of Huffman; a daughter, Kathy C. Birdsong, also of Huffman; three sisters, Bernice Davis of Tezakana, Clara Gilbert of Baytown, and Joy Butler of Mountain View, Mo.; five grandchildren, Christopher M. Rhodes, Audrey N. Rhodes, Amanda L. Rhodes, Jason T. Theriot and Nathan M. Birdsong.

Lela Lewis West

Lela Lewis West, 82, of Woodville died December 22, 1990 at Woodland Heights Medical Center in Lufkin. Funeral services were held December 24 from the Chapel of the Rileys Funeral Home in Woodville with the Rev. Melvin McCallum and Rev. R. C. Tillery officiating. Interment followed in Mt. Pisgah Cemetery under the direction of Rileys Funeral Home.

A native of Newton County, she lived in Tyler County most of her life. Survivors include sons, Bobby West of Warren and Hill West of Houston; daughters, Janita Thompson of Houston, Alice Spivey of Santa Augustine and Betty Stanley of Zavalla; brothers, Reginald Lewis of Jasper and Vernon Lewis of Woodville; sisters, Ada Stephenson of Jasper, Pearl Sanders and Myrtle Dickey, both of Woodville; Lela Lee of Spurger; and 11 grandchildren. Surviving as pallbearers were her grandsons, Druey Stanley, Bennie West, Bob Jack Thompson, David Stanley, Jack Stanley, H. Keith Spivey, Kyle Spivey and Tim Stanley.

Verta Marie Smith

Verta Marie Smith, 67, of Woodville died January 6, 1991 at the St. Mary's Hospital in Ft. Worth. She was born in Missouri, Louisiana and was a homemaker.

Funeral services were held January 8 at the Edwards Funeral Home Chapel with Mr. Joe Hailey officiating. Interment followed at Ebenezer Cemetery under the direction of Edwards Funeral Home.

Survivors include her husband, Craig L. Smith of Woodville; a son, Kenneth James Lee of Aberdeen, Scotland; daughters, Sandra F. Vidrine of Santa Fe and Linda Wilson of Halsey, Oregon; a sister, Irene Lankford of Van Buren, Ark.; nine grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.

Clay Saenz

Clay Saenz, 15, of Warren, died January 5, 1991 at his residence. He was born in Beaumont and was a ninth grade student at Warren High School.

Funeral services were held January 7 at Bethel Baptist Church with Bro. Larry Shure officiating. Interment followed at Warren Cemetery under the direction of Edwards Funeral Home in Woodville.

Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Saenz of Warren and his grandmother, Eddie Mae Saenz of Donnet.

Pallbearers were: Chris Cone, Joe Duke, Roy Vission, Roy Binkley, Mickey Fountain, Jr. and Pat Overstreet.

Ruby Daisy Goode

Ruby Daisy Goode, 92, of Colmesneil died January 1, 1991 at Mary L. Dickerson Memorial Hospital in Jasper. Funeral services were held January 4 from the Chapel of the Rileys Funeral Home in Woodville with Rev. J.C. Tillery officiating. Interment followed in Rockland City Cemetery in Rockland under the direction of Rileys Funeral Home.

A native of Kerns, she lived in Tyler County most of her life.

Survivors include a son, Joe Oliver Goode of Colmesneil; daughters, Mary Martha of Colmesneil, Ruth Henshaw of Rockland and Daisy Ruth Johnson of Beaumont; brothers, Robert Williamson of Kerrville and Sam Williamson of India, California; sisters, Beadie Douglas of Henderson, Leatrice Reed of Woodville and Joann Knight of Lumberton; 10 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Serving as pallbearers were: Michael Youngblood, Stephen Paul Sanchez, Anthony W. Youngblood, William D. Henshaw, James A. Marshall and Lewis C. Marshall.

Pierre Dorcy Guidry

Pierre Dorcy Guidry, 69, of Woodville, died December 2, 1990 at his residence.

Funeral services were held December 24 from the Chapel of the Rileys Funeral Home in Woodville with Father L. O. O'Neill and Rev. R. C. Tillery officiating. Interment followed in Mt. Pisgah Cemetery under the direction of Rileys Funeral Home.

A native of St. Martinville, La., and former resident of Port Arthur, he lived in Woodville eight years. He was retired from Harrison Body Shop in Livingston and was owner of Guidry's Body Shop in Woodville. He was a U.S. Marine Corps veteran.

Survivors include his wife, Florine Guidry of Woodville; a son, Glynn Guidry of Port Arthur; a daughter, Vickie Fountaine of Beaumont; stepdaughter, Martha Hicks of Woodville; brother, Bill Guidry of Port Arthur; sister, Lucille Bouffette of Marksville, La.

Serving as pallbearers were: J.C. Sims, Gene Beam, Elmer Ray Carter, Steve Evans, Frank S. Grimes, Clyde D. Hicks, Jr. and C.J. Kirkland, Jr.

Theodore G. "Texas" Graham

Theodore G. "Texas" Graham, 74, of Rossville, Georgia, died December 31, 1990 at Chattanooga Memorial Hospital in Chattanooga, Tennessee.

Funeral services were held January 3 at Mt. Carmel Baptist Church in Colmesneil with burial at Davis Cemetery under the direction of Rileys Funeral Home in Woodville. The Rev. Jack Lewellen officiated.

A native of Colmesneil, he lived in the Rossville area 53 years and was retired from the U.S. Pipe Foundry with 35 years of service.

Survivors include his wife, Naomi Graham of Rossville; daughters, Dee Burns of Rossville, Newanna Neal of Millington, Tenn., and Jane Wall of Smyrna, Ga.; mother, Anna Belle Graham of Colmesneil; sisters, T.V. Matula of Beaumont, Evie Maples of Colmesneil and Inez Stewart of Pinebluff; brothers, A.D. Graham, Willis Graham, Lewis Graham, Jimmy Lloyd Graham and Tom Graham, all of Colmesneil; nine grandchildren and nineteen great-grandchildren.

Brad Smith

Brad Smith, 75, of Woodville, died January 2, 1990 at the Tyler County Hospital in Woodville.

Mr. Smith was born in Colmesneil and was a retired hospital employee. He was an Army Veteran from World War II, a Charter Incorporator of the Tyler County Sheltered Workshop and a County Cancer Fund Co-ordinator.

Funeral services were held January 5, 1991 at the Edwards Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. John Spanhanks, Rev. Bill Swearingen and Rev. Henry Shettles officiating. Interment followed in Sand Hill Cemetery under the direction of Edwards Funeral Home in Woodville.

Survivors include his wife, Zera Smith of Woodville; brothers, Leonard S. Smith of El Paso and Earl C. Smith of Ft. Worth.

Lee Roy Dungan

Lee Roy Dungan, 69, of Town Bluff died December 31, 1990 at St. Elizabeth Hospital in Beaumont.

Funeral services were held January 3 from the Chapel of the Rileys Funeral Home in Woodville with Bro. C.C. Dillow officiating. Interment followed in Magnolia Cemetery under the direction of Rileys Funeral Home.

A native of Walnut Hill, Florida, and a former resident of Port Arthur, he lived in Town Bluff 25 years. He was a retired self-employed brick-layer and a U.S. Navy veteran.

Survivors include a brother, George Dungan of Pensacola, Florida; and a number of grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Fay A. Long

Fay A. Long, 66, of Hillister, died December 29, 1990 at the Tyler County Hospital in Woodville. She was born in Shelbyville, Texas and was a retired Accountant.

Funeral services were held December 31 at the Edwards Funeral Home Chapel with Dr. Charles Hamey officiating. Interment followed in Magnolia Cemetery under the direction of Edwards Funeral Home.

Survivors include her husband, Don Long of Hillister; a son, James Easterling of Bona; a daughter, Sherry Fain of Ft. Smith, Arkansas; brothers, Joe Duncan of Bona and Jack Dungan of Vidor; sisters, Arnette Eaves of Ft. Arthur, Edna Binford of Spokane, Washington, Annie Neely of Beaumont, and Lucie Langley of Warren.

Pallbearers were: Bruce Combs, J.C. Clark, Ezra Kelly, Robert McCombs, Charles McGovney and Robert Frazier.

Jack M.L. Flake

Jack M.L. Flake, 78, of Ivanhoe died December 29, 1990 at the Tyler County Hospital in Woodville.

Funeral services were held December 30 from the Chapel of the Rileys Funeral Home in Woodville with the Rev. Bill Swearingen and Rev. Henry Shettles officiating. Burial was held in Mt. Pisgah Cemetery.

A native of Silsbee and former resident of Venezuela, he lived in Ivanhoe 14 years and was superintendent for Yazca Shipyard in Maracaibo, Venezuela. Mr. Flake was a member of the Wildwood Country Club and Magnolia Lodge #495 in Woodville.

Survivors include his wife, Adelaide Wilson Flake of Ivanhoe; two sisters, Madian P. Chumbley of Allen and Marie H. Dear of Silsbee; and three nieces.

Serving as pallbearers were: Ben Caperton, Elton Spurlock, George Faulker, Ben Johnston, Buddy Ware and Al Trichard.

Floyd Ray Irvine

Floyd Ray Irvine, 53, of Port Neches died December 30, 1990 at John Sealy Hospital in Galveston.

Funeral services were held December 31 from the Chapel of the Rileys Funeral Home in Woodville with burial at Mt. Pisgah Cemetery. Visitation was held December 30 at P.A. Rileys Funeral Home in Nederland. The Rev. Henry Shettles and Rev. Bill Swearingen officiated.

A native and longtime resident of Port Arthur, he was a salesman for Sony Corp.

Survivors include parents, Raymond and Dorothy Irvine of Ivanhoe; a sister, Katherine Newman of Port Neches; a nephew, Daniel Newman; a niece, Dana Broussard; aunts, uncles and cousins.

Memorials may be made to the Bryan House, P.O. Box 191402, Dallas, Texas, 75219, or to the charity of choice.

Ruth Vivian Hawkins

Ruth Vivian Hawkins, 71, of Dam B died December 29, 1990 at St. Elizabeth Hospital in Beaumont.

Funeral services were held January 2 at Fairview Baptist Church at Dam B with the Rev. C.C. Dillow and Rev. Joe Stephens officiating. Interment followed at Rose Hill Memorial Cemetery in Cleburne under the direction of Rileys Funeral Home in Woodville. Visitation was held January 1 at the Funeral Home.

A native of Cleburne and a former resident of Nederland, she lived at Dam B for 28 years.

Survivors include a son, Dudley Vaughn of Orangefield; brothers, Ouis Stephens of Hughes Springs, Colburn Stephens of Forney, Harold Stephens of Friendswood and Joe Stephens of Cleburne; a sister, Roberta Streator of Fort Worth; six grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Lyle is married to the former Daphne Glenn of Warren. He is employed by High Tech Control Systems, Inc., a Beaumont engineering firm. Lyle and Daphne reside in Beaumont.

Never cut your flowers in the morning. Since all day the leaves manufacture food which is transported around in the form of sugars to feed the plant, cut your flowers in the late afternoon when they are the fullest of sugar. If you want the flowers to last.

Tyler County Aging Services Menu

January 14	January 15	January 16	January 17
Meat Loaf Green Beans Peaches	Creamed Potatoes Rolls Milk or Tea	Baked Chicken Sweet Potatoes Jelly Peas Coke, Milk or Tea	Roast Beef Green Lima Beans Peanut Butter Crunch Milk or Tea
Fish Purple Hull Peas Pears	Potato Au Gratin Cornbread Milk or Tea		



John B. (Brad) Smith

Sunny Dell News

By: A.T. Sturrock

As the last land mark in downtown Colmesneil has but the dust. The old Drug Store building is gone. I heard that G.W. Patrick bought it and tore it down to build a church. Back in the thirties the Drug Store building was it. It housed the Drug Store, Doctors Office, Beauty Shoppe, Barber Shop, Cigar, Bus Stop and an Apartment. It was also a hang-out for Jim Matt Miller's hogs. Dr. Parton would from time to time get the hogs drunk. If you haven't seen a drunk hog, then you have missed something.

The main highway came by the front of the drugstore and this was highway 40 when in bad winter weather chains were put on the rear tires to get over it he slicky roads.

I do believe that the first car hop I saw was at this old drugstore. Instead of a female carhop it was a male carhop. This is the last business land mark to go. Remember the East Texas Hotel, the Depot, the Cotton Gin and Joe House, the Shoe Shop, the Pressing Shop, Charlie Wallace Blacksmith Shop, the Ford Garage, J.P. Mann's General Store, Meadows Store, the Telephone Office and later Roy Freeman had a little store in the middle of town and a Gulf Service Station on this corner of Meadows store run by Cecil Ogden. Also the Commercial Hotel which was a two-story building. I hope have forgot some but believe I covered most.

The holidays are over and it is back to the grindstone. What color is a watermelon before you cut it? Wells to go.

Executive Hair Nails & Pedicures Welcomes:



(Left) Sheila Abshire, formerly from Sheila's Hair Designs in Colmesneil. (Right) Ellie Locicero, formerly from Ellie's Beauty Shop At Town Bluff. (Center): Shop Owner Terri Siegel

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

The club would like to thank you for excellent publicity and pictures you gave us for the Tour of Homes.

Your contribution helped make this Tour a great success and we are grateful. This event which benefits scholarships for our young people is a community affair and the cooperation we receive is appreciated.

Thank you, Norma Peterson Secretary

CARD OF THANKS

We would like to express our thanks to friends and loved ones for the cards, flowers and food during the loss of our loved one, Theodore Graham. Special thanks to Rileys Funeral Home, Mt. Carmel Baptist Church and Bro. Jack Lewellen.

Sincerely, Naomi Graham and family & Annabelle Graham



WOW! Carl Billeaudeaux, of Town Bluff off FM 92, grew these exceptional turnips in his 1/2 acre garden. The largest of the two weighs 3 lbs. 9 ozs. Billeaudeaux said he purchased the seeds from Spurger Merchandise and ever since he began using chicken fertilizer most of the vegetables have grown to abnormal sizes. "The fertilizer is so good it even made the tomato stalks grow!" said Billeaudeaux.

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Letters should be signed, and include a phone number or address for verification of authorship.

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BEAUMONT - Veronica Lynn Taylor and Willie Kyle Brazz will be married Jan. 26 in West Oakland Baptist Church, 3325 St. James Blvd. The bride-to-be, daughter of Mrs. Jean Taylor, graduated from Hebert High School and is employed as a Manager of the Handcheer Restaurant in Beaumont. The prospective bridegroom, son of Mrs. Delois Brazz, attended Lamar University and is employed by Brown and Root at DuPont. Invitation - re extended through the press.

Martin & PFC Johnny Page Arrives In Germany

Army Pvt. 1st Class Johnny W. Page, a fighting vehicle system mechanic, has arrived for duty at Lee Barnack, Mainz, Germany. Page is the son of John W. and Nancy C. Vaughn.

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-News Of Our Military-

Fondren Deployed To Middle East

Pvt. 1st Class Paul O. Fondren has deployed to the Middle East with American military forces participating in Operation Desert Shield.

Operation Desert Shield is the largest deployment of U.S. military forces since Vietnam. The operation is a response to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and threat to Saudi Arabia.

Fondren is the son of Billy and Jessie Fondren of Warren, Texas. Fondren is an infantryman with the 1st Infantry Division, 3rd Brigade, N.C. The private is a 1983 graduate of Warren High School.

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Chili-Cook-Off Set For February 2 Volunteer Musicians Being Sought

The Woodville Band Boosters have scheduled a Chili Cook-Off on Feb. 2 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. The event will be held at the Woodville Stadium.

The Boosters are presently looking for local musicians willing to perform at the cook-off. If you are interested in volunteering your talents, please contact the Woodville band office at 283-2681.

The official rules are: Each team will have no more than four members, a \$10 entry fee is required per team, a team must make at least 3 gallons of chili and are responsible for their own cookers, utensils and cooking area.

Three trophies will be awarded. First place for best chili will be chosen by the judges. Second place for best chili will be chosen by the judges. Third place for best chili will be chosen by the judges.

Certificates will be given to all entries. Alcohol is not allowed and all proceeds will go to the Woodville Band for their Florida trip and scholarships.

Entry forms can be obtained at Woodville High School and turned in with \$10 to any band booster member or at the band office.

Judging will be between the hours of 12 and 1:30 p.m. and trophies will be awarded at 2:30 p.m.

Eagles Nest

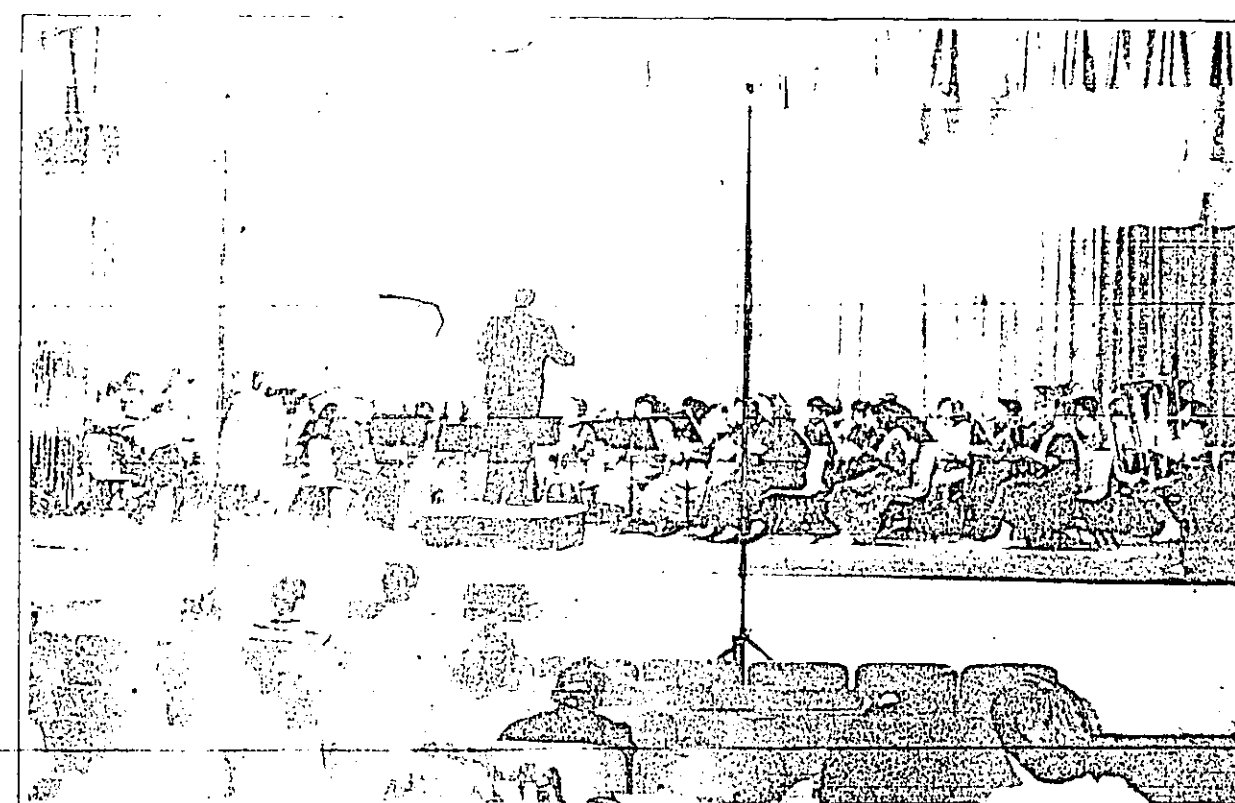
By Jill Brooks

Jennifer Jones auditioned for the TMEA All-State Choir in Livingston at Livingston High School last Saturday, January 5. Jennifer competed against schools ranging from Houston all the way to Tyler.

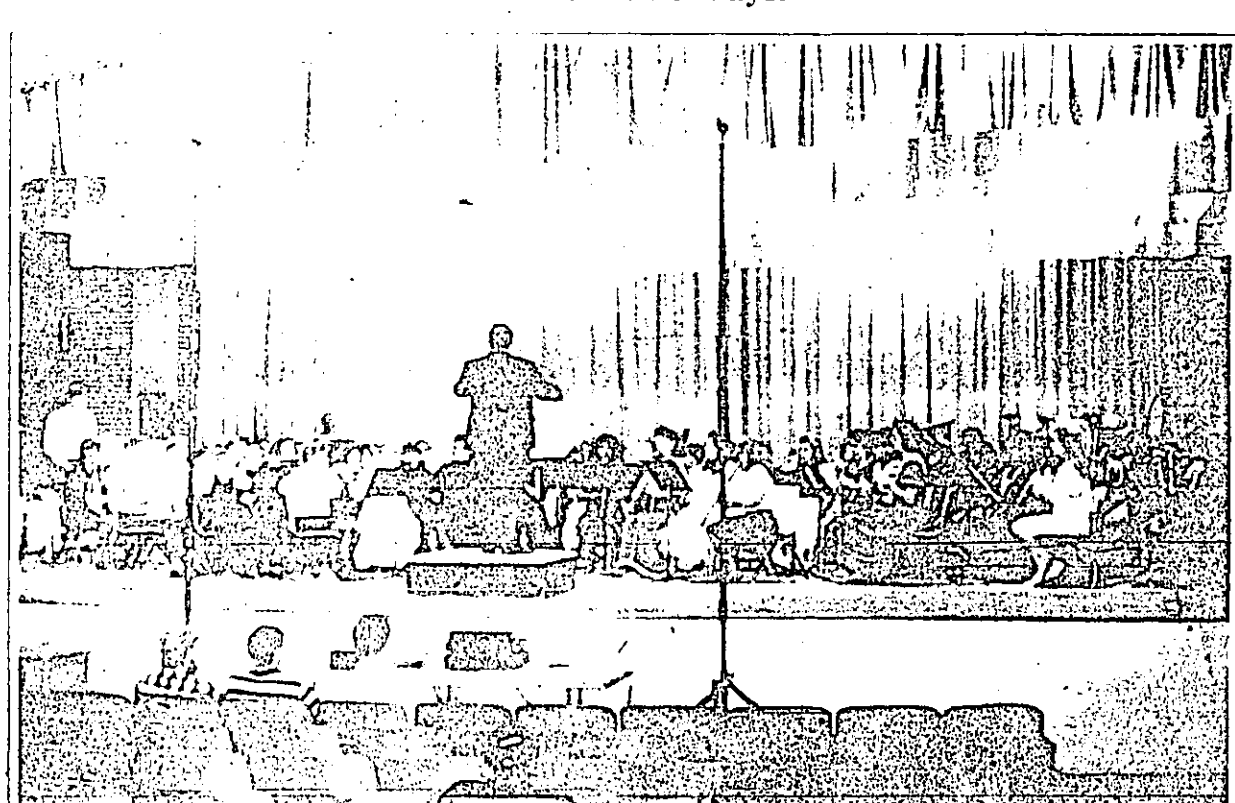
Despite the fact that Jennifer did not get a definite ranking, she was placed in the top 16 of the area. Being placed in this top 16 is considered an extremely high honor.

Mrs. Ruth Houston, choir director, said "Jennifer worked very hard and is an extremely talented young lady," adding, "Jennifer wants to major in music."

When asked for comments Jennifer stated, "It was a very good experience. I was glad to receive the support from everyone even though I did not make it. This contest was different from any of the other contests. We auditioned morning and afternoon and



Sweet Sounds...
Dr. Tom Harvey directs the Jr. High Band above and the High School Band below at their annual concert before the holidays.



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Tyler County Schools NEWS

Academic, Scholastic & School Club News With Columns
Submitted By School Journalism Reporters.
This Page Compiled by Melvin Houston.

Trahan Selected TMEA Alternate Makes W.E.B. "Wall of Fame"

Jason Trahan, a senior member of the Woodville band, was selected as the alternate member of the TMEA All State Band. He placed third overall in the Euphonium competition.

Jason's picture will be placed in the band hall as a permanent member of the band's "Wall of Fame". Past recipients of this honor include: Becky Hillman, Amber Brasher, Devon Jurek, Mr. Robert Hefner and Mrs. Pat Thomas.

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Colmesneil Students Fare Well On TAAS Test.. 81 % Pass

Eleventh grade students who took the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills in October did well when compared to preliminary state-wide results. Eighty-one percent of the Colmesneil Junior passed all three sections of the test, whereas only sixty-nine percent passed state-wide. This fall was the first year of the more difficult test, which measures a number of objectives in the areas of reading, mathematics, and writing, including written composition.

Colmesneil students also outpaced Texas juniors in their achievement of the Academic Recognition scores on their test. To obtain this honor, students taking the test had to pass all objectives on the test. In writing, the students had to obtain a top score of "4" on the written composition.

Tony Bruns and Terry Brown, both of whom achieved academic recognition in all three of the tested areas. This 13% of the class compares with only two percent of the state-wide results. Allen Dugas and Jerry Snodgrass achieved academic recognition in reading and mathematics. Stephanie Calden, Dan Vele, Graham, and Phillip Maslow obtained academic recognition in reading. Ben Smith and Neale Smith were honored with academic recognition in mathematics.

The faculty and students are commended for their outstanding effort in preparing for this important milestone towards a quality high school education.

Bulldog Growl

This week at CHS things are back to normal and the first semester is ending.

Students are voting for the Co-Ed of Arms Wednesday. The seniors are selling candy bars. The senior of the week is Swain Barker.

This Tuesday is the Varsity boys and girls basketball game before district. Friday they will play Chester at Chester. Good Luck!

44th Annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet
January 17, 1991
7:30pm
The Woodville Inn

Keynote speaker will be
Dr. Donald E. Bowen
President of S.E.A.

We will be honoring:
-Business of the Year-
Woodville I.S.D.
-Honorary Citizen of the Year-
Citizens of the Year

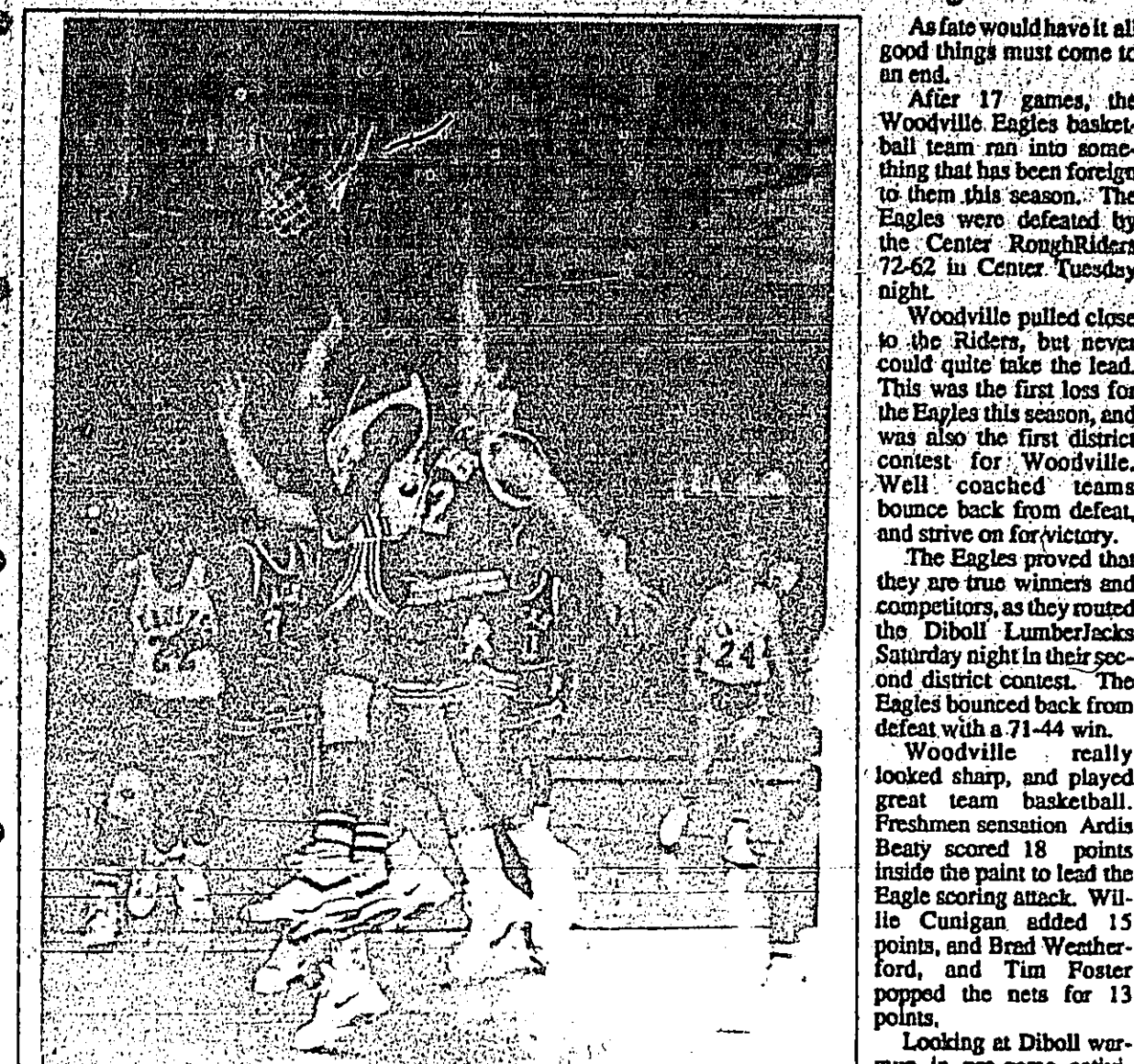
Help For The Homeless

The thought of my pain... I think of it constantly and my spirit is depressed. Lamentations 3:1-6

A new booklet offers help for the homeless. Twenty-five hundred years ago, a Hebrew person cried out with the pain that we feel today. The American Bible Society (ABS) which distributes Bibles and selected passages from the scriptures is making available a booklet called "God is Always With You."

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Jan. 14 Colmesneil, Woodville, and Woodville Jr. High Schools. 8:00am. Pastor: Rev. Don Bowen.	Jan. 15 Colmesneil, Woodville, and Woodville Jr. High Schools. 8:00am. Pastor: Rev. Don Bowen.	Jan. 16 Colmesneil, Woodville, and Woodville Jr. High Schools. 8:00am. Pastor: Rev. Don Bowen.	Jan. 17 Colmesneil, Woodville, and Woodville Jr. High Schools. 8:00am. Pastor: Rev. Don Bowen.	Jan. 18 Colmesneil, Woodville, and Woodville Jr. High Schools. 8:00am. Pastor: Rev. Don Bowen.	Jan. 19 Colmesneil, Woodville, and Woodville Jr. High Schools. 8:00am. Pastor: Rev. Don Bowen.	Jan. 20 Colmesneil, Woodville, and Woodville Jr. High Schools. 8:00am. Pastor: Rev. Don Bowen.

Eagles Suffer First Loss Of Season... Hit .500 Mark In District Play



Fantastic Freshman...
Woodville Freshman Ardis Beatty scores 2 of his game high 18 points against Diboll Saturday night. Willie Cunigan prepares to slam the rebound home in the case that there is one.

Lady Bulldogs Find The Going "Rough and Tough"

Colmesneil's Lady Bulldogs were 1-2 in the tournament held over the Christmas holidays.

In first round action, the Lady Bulldogs lost to the extremely talented Huntington Red-Devis, and were defeated 72-26.

As great a coach as Coach Moffen is, the Red-Devis were just too explosive and aggressive.

Michele Dickerson led the Lady Bulldogs in scoring and looked very impressive.

Michele Dickerson led the Colmesneil Lady Bulldogs in scoring over the holidays. She scored 12 points in the first round loss to Huntington. She also scored 12 points in the second round win over the Lady Bulldogs.

Colmesneil had an opportunity to take the lead going into the fourth period, but could not quite close the gap and had to settle for a loss.

Dickerson scored 12 points in that category. Kathy Foxworth found the hole from three point land twice. Amy Gully also scored 8 points in the contest.

Lady Eagles Grasp Consolation Trophy

The Woodville Lady Eagles basketball team have had their share of good and bad luck over the last few weeks.

The Eagles of Coach Julie Lambeth are 1-2 in district play after defeating Diboll 69-32 over the weekend.

The Ladies were hitting from the inside as well as the outside enroute to their first district win.

The Diboll LadyJacks are normally a very competitive team, and this season must be one of rebuilding for them.

Jatana Stitzem led the Lady Eagles in finding the hole and the net with 18 points.

Stephanie Williams added 13 points from her guard position, and Whitney Lambeth ripped the nets for 12 points.

Leah Tuesday though the Lady Eagles were not so fortunate, as the Center Roughriders had a smooth ride in Eagle Gymnasium.

The Lady Bulldogs handed the Lady Eagles their second district loss. It should be a wake of game when Center and Huntington squared off this season.

In Tournament action the Ladies won the Consolation trophy in the Colmesneil Holiday tournament.

In the first round the Lady Eagles witnessed

Football: Facts, Figures, and Follies

Well now that all the bowl games have been completed, wait a minute, there are still the all-star bowl games for those of you that want to be technical. But for all practical purposes the games are over.

A&M fans are still smiling from ear to ear, while Texas fans are doing as they wonder where the UT coaches led the real Longhorn football team.

Texas A&M gave BYU and Heisman Trophy winner Ty Detmer all they could handle; and, a lot more. And you believe

BYU was saying before the game they wanted a more worthy opponent, than A&M. I guarantee you Detmer and his two separated shoulders wish they had never played anyone.

Longhorn fans I still don't know what happened, and I won't dwell on something we all are agonizingly trying to forget.

Tommy Knight with along with his family was at the game said "When Texas came on the field and Miami ran to the middle of the field and began taunting them they became intimidated, and never recovered." Well I still believe Texas had a fine season, and the ring they received during the off-season for SWC Champions will make them forget anything.

Dallas proved to every football fan in America that they are back for a bid to be America's team, and anyone else who wants to remain what is their team.

A simple win over Jerry "I Love Erzy" Glasco and his Falcons would have given Dallas what they have been talking about since midway through the season. But you tell me, a

quarterback named Babe to take you to the playoffs? Come! The Cowboys were unable to stop signing equally backup when they traded Steve Walsh.

I am still so upset with Houston that I would just rather not discuss their situation.

Here is how I see the rest of the playoffs. Buffalo over Cincinnati 24-17 (with Jim Kelley). Cincinnati over Buffalo 27-17 (without Kelley). Chicago over N.Y. Giants 16-13 in overtime. Washington over San Fran 31-27. And A Raiders over Miami 24-13.

Tyler County Booster Sports

by Melvin Houston, Sports Editor

Woodville pulled close to the Riders, but never could quite take the lead. This was the first loss for the Eagles this season, and was also the first district contest for Woodville. Well coached teams bounce back from defeat, and strive for victory.

The Eagles proved that they are true winners and competitors, as they routed the Diboll Lumberjacks scored 12 points for the Eagles. Woodville gave the Wildcats little or no hope as the half ended 34-14 in Woodville's favor.

Second round action saw the Eagles facing a stubborn Tarkington team. The Longhorns gave the

Eagles all they bargained for and pulled to within 4 points early in the fourth quarter.

Cunigan and Beatty secured the Eagles' unblemished record, hitting 20 points apiece, and Foster added 19 to the winning cause.

In the championship match the Eagles used their UNLV Run in Rebel act to smother the West Hardin Oilers 94-41.

The Eagles scored over

Woodville 7th-8th Graders Unbeaten Jr. High Tournament At Kirby Gym

The Woodville 8th grade basketball team under the leadership of Coach Donald Jackson remain undefeated with a 4-0 record.

The young Eagles blasted Huntington 68-34 Friday to keep their perfect record in tact.

Thanks in part to a 40 point second half explosion, the Eagles had little trouble handling the Red-Devis.

Michael White led the Eagles with 16 points and 3

assist. Michael Kethan added 12 points and 5 rebounds. Aubrey Jackson had 9 points and 7 rebounds, and Jason Tolbert popped the nets for 8 points, and grabbed 5 rebounds.

The team travels to San Augustine Monday to play the Wolves in what we used to call the "Alamo" referring to their gymnasium that resembles the renowned Alamo in San Antonio.

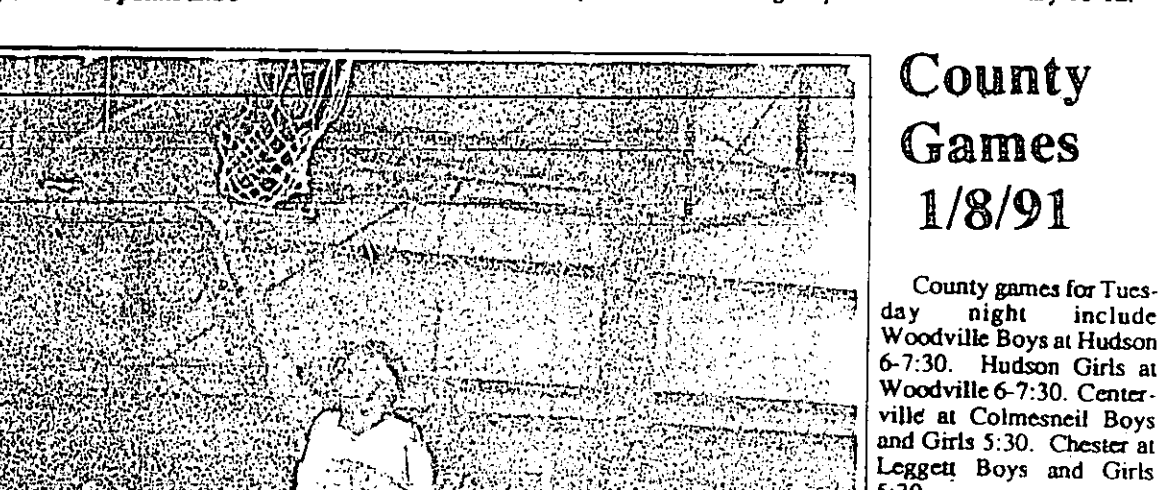
Their will also be a

Jr. High Tournament held January 10-12 at the old Kirby Gym.

The Woodville 7th grade basketball team is following in the footsteps of the 8th graders, as they too remain undefeated in their young basketball season.

The 7th grade Eagles defeated previously unbeaten Huntington to bring their record to 4-0.

Justin Sturrock led the Eagles attack with 14 points, and the Eagles put



Tippling It In...
Woodville Junior Varsity Team member Eric Hart attempts to tip in a loose ball against the Diboll Lumberjacks in action last Saturday. The Eagles played a close game, but couldn't quite pull it out.

County Games 1/8/91

County games for Tuesday night include Woodville Boys at Hudson 6-7:30. Hudson Girls at Woodville 6-7:30. Centerville at Colmesneil Boys and Girls 5:30. Chester at Leggett Boys and Girls 5:30.

Football Recruiting Trips

Willie Cunigan, Reggie Williams, and Dion Gell will make an official football visit to Sam Houston State University the weekend of January 18. Cunigan has visits to McNeese and SFA planned as well. Warren T. mason, man Shannon Crawford being heavily recruited by McNeese and SFA.

Chester Discovers 3A Teams Talented

The Chester Yellowjackets of Coach Don Ennis found the going a bit tough in the Woodville tournament, as they ran into some stiff competition.

Lumberjack was first on the agenda for the Jacks, and the class 3A ballclub contested the Jacks by a margin of 41-21.

Chester trailed 35-17 at the half, and could not quite get it together.

Tommy Johnson, and Tonta Barlow made the game a little more respectable as they both came

alive for the Jacks in the final period.

Johnson led Chester with 18 points, and Barlow added 16.

The Jacks found the going a bit smoother as they took on the Woodville 1.V. in the second round.

The Jacks found the right combination, and won the Eagles 44-20.

In the Consolation match the Jacks probably wished they had never shown up at Newton. Chester drew Huntington in the first round, and

the Lady Red-Devis proved too much for a young LadyJacket team. The Jacks are a young team, and were playing against a 3A ballclub with a stunning 14-1 record.

Sandi Kruse was the leading scorer with 12 points for the LadyJackets.

In the second round the LadyJackets lost to another road-block in the Lady Eagles from Woodville.

Woodville downed the team from Chester 45-26. Theresa Botely led the LadyJackets with 9 points.

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FOR SALE -By owner lots and larger tracts of land located on rolling hills with small lakes being built on some of this property some financing available at low interest rate. Property located 1 mile out of Woodville on US 287, Call 283-5471 (29-TN)
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Card of Thanks

CARD OF THANKS-The family of Mrs. Ruby D. Goode would like to express their thanks to many friends and family members who gave us comfort and sympathy during our mother's illness and death. To Brother Carter and Joe who gave us comfort and spiritual support and to all friends in Rockland and Colmesneil who brought food, and to Pat Riley Funeral home, we appreciate their kindness and understanding. Mary, Ruth, Ruby, Joe

Public Notice

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE WORK-Sealed proposals for Roadside Maintenance Work on various highways in various counties, will be received by the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation, located at Room 100, DeWitt C. Greer Bldg., 11th and Brazos, Austin, Texas, until 2:00 P.M. Tuesday and Wednesday, January 8 & 9, 1991, then publicly read.

MOVING IDEAS

Advice For Mature Americans-As more and more Americans are moving from one place to another in record numbers, this group is an increasing number of people in the 60-85 age bracket. The following is just some of the information available from the experts at the Arpin Moving Institute, designed to ease the concerns of mature Americans "on the move".

McDurmonds Home From Service On Military Leave

Sp. 4 Lonnie McDurmond and his wife, Deborah, were in Woodville on a four-day pass from Fort Riley, Kansas. They celebrated Christmas with several family members including his mother, Loretta Ruby, Bro. Kenny McDurmond, R. of Graham, his niece and nephew, Kay and Kenny McDurmond.

McDurmonds Home From Service On Military Leave

Lonnie was stationed at Fort Clayton, Panama for three years, and was discharged from the Army last Christmas and returned to the United States November 1, 1990. Lonnie left for "Desert Shield Operation" at the end of December for an undetermined amount of time.

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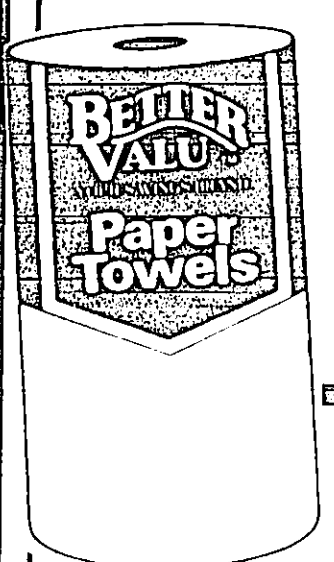


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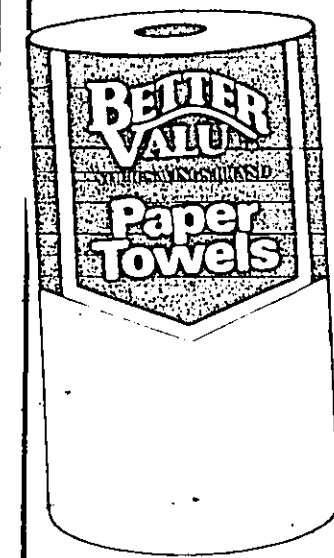


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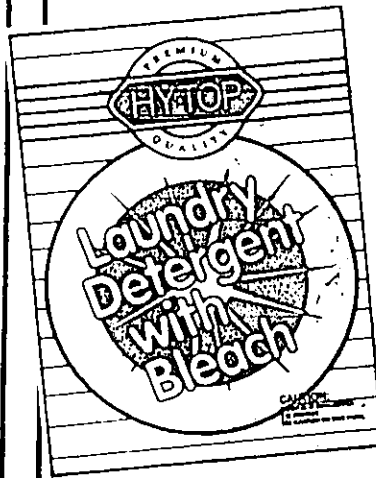


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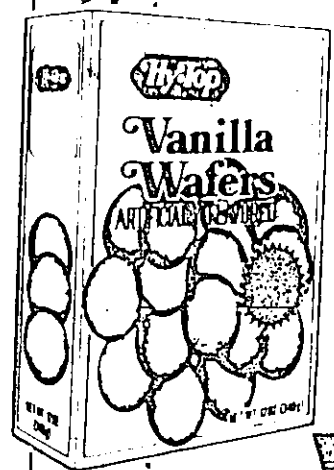


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'Fightin' Bob' never quit the South

By Dottie Johnson

Some say Robert Magee Shivers was just an ordinary soldier, doing his duty for the Confederacy as so many thousands of others did during the Civil War.

Robert M. Shivers of Patterson, Louisiana, says his great grandfather was as much a hero as any man who fought for his beliefs during this bitter period in our history. "For four years he risked his life in the line of duty." And for many long years, this great grandson has dreamed of honoring his ancestor with a graveside memorial befitting that heroism.

On Saturday, January 19, at 2 p.m. "Fighting Bob" Shivers will be so honored when family members and friends, led by his namesake, will officially dedicate the memorial Robert M. Shivers designed, had constructed and later installed at Magnolia Cemetery in Woodville with the help of his brothers and cousin.

The public is invited to this dedication and to the reception immediately following at the Allan Shivers Library, a gift to Woodville and Tyler County by one of "Fighting Bob's" illustrious grandsons, Shivers in Tyler County.

Local historians are more apt to think of Robert Magee Shivers as the only surviving son of Nancy Tolar Shivers, who came to Tyler County in 1858 and later

homesteaded the 640 acres west of Woodville known today as Magnolia Hills.

More specifically they remember him as one of the charter members of the Harmony Baptist Church and the scion of a large family, which spawned such luminaries as the late Governor Allan Shivers whose family still owns Magnolia Hills. "Fighting Bob's" granddaughters Claytie Lee Clow, Ruth Trull and Virginia Baker still live in Woodville as do many of his great and great-great grandchildren.

Robert Magee was only 15 years old when his mother brought him and his seven sisters to Tyler County from Mississippi. They were accompanied by her father, Henry Tolar, and one son-in-law, James Tolar.

Back to Mississippi
Wanting to continue his education, young Robert returned to Mississippi in early 1861 to live with an uncle near Westville, the county seat of Simpson County. Later that same year he joined the "Westville Guards," which were ordered to Corinth where the two longest railroads in the country crossed. Here they joined Company B, 16th Mississippi Volunteers. On July 4, Robert enlisted for 12 months in the Confederate State Service and was soon on his way to Richmond. At Lynchburg they were detained and ordered to Manassas.

During the Civil War, two men died of wounds and sickness for every one killed on the battlefield. In September 1861, Private Robert Magee Shivers was sent to the hospital at Warrington, Virginia, with typhoid fever. After being sent to two other hospitals, Robert was back with his unit by the Spring of 1862 in time to join Stonewall Jackson in the Shenandoah Valley, where the 16th Regiment soon became known as Jackson's Foot Cavalry.

The 16th saw distinguished service in the Battles of Mechanicsville, Cold Harbor, Malvern Hill and First and Second Manassas. Marching into Maryland in September of that year, the 16th waded the Potomac at Leesburg, went on to Fredericktown, participated in the capture of Harpers Ferry and engaged in what is known as one of the most remarkable battles of the war, the Battle of Sharpsburg.

Advancing against the Federal Line under heavy artillery fire, the 16th



A FAMILY AFFAIR—Shivers brothers and cousin work together to help Robert M. Shivers of Patterson, Louisiana, install the Civil War memorial he designed for their great grandfather, "Fighting Mississippi" passed over two Confederate brigades lying down in the road and confronted the enemy head on. Robert was one of only 84 men left to tell about their victory.

In December after being in the line of battle at Fredericksburg for three days

Bob" Shivers. The graveside memorial at Magnolia Cemetery in Woodville will be dedicated at 2 p.m. on January 19. The public is invited.

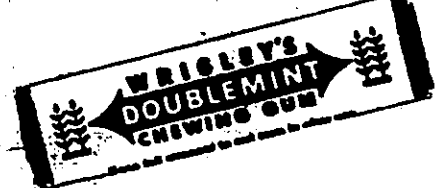
and three nights, the 16th and Second Battalions were sent out on picket duty along the river. Late one evening, as the Confederate Band was playing "Dixie", the Federal Band could be heard across

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Feral hogs in the Big Thicket —Pineywood Rooters can cause damage—

By Beth Housman, Park Ranger
Big Thicket National Preserve

Hunting the deep forests of the Big Thicket provided the early settlers of southeast Texas with an abundance of fresh game: deer, bear, squirrel, rabbit and other small mammals and birds. In addition, many families raised hogs to produce a supply of pork.

These hogs were allowed to run wild through the thick woods, living off the plentiful roots, acorns and berries until they were rounded up. The hogs were then slaughtered and the meat cured in the backyard smokehouse, making it last for months. Besides the smoked pork, the family also used the lard and bacon, which were major components of the local diet.

Today, the hogs we find in the Big Thicket are feral hogs, meaning they are domestic hogs that have reverted to wild. Not being native to this continent, the hogs were brought over by early settlers from the Old World. Free-range farming gave the hogs the opportunity to escape to the wild, where they easily adapted.

Another swine, the European wild boar, was brought to this country and stocked on game ranches for hunting. Many boar escaped to the wild where they interbred with the feral hogs. Today, most European boars found in Texas are combinations of the two species.

Feral hogs should not be confused with javelinas, which are not true swine. Javelinas are not found in the Big Thicket. They reside in Central and South America with their northern range being South Texas, New Mexico and Arizona. Unlike hogs, javelinas are native to the western hemisphere.

Hogs can cause great damage to the habitat. They are omnivorous, meaning they eat vegetation or meat, but they get the most nutrition from the roots of plants. Their extensive digging for food has given them the nickname "Pineywood rooters."

In some National Parks feral hog populations are harming resources and worse, threatening the survival of endangered species. The hog's high reproductive potential and the lack of natural predators (other than man) allows it to expand rapidly into new areas. Great Smokey Mountains National Park has attempted to control the hog population because studies have

revealed evidence of habitat destruction. And at Hawaii Volcanoes National Park, a hog removal program was enacted when native plant species were threatened.

In Big Thicket National Preserve, feral hogs are found in units with thick cover and along river bottoms. Hunters in the Preserve are allowed to kill hogs, providing assistance in population management. The National Park Service makes counts of the Preserve hunters taking hogs as a means of monitoring major changes in hog population. An increase in feral hog population would put pressure on the native white-tailed deer population as both compete for forage. More studies would be needed should a sharp increase in hog population or decline in deer population occur. Over the last five years, hunters have reported taking an average of 125 hogs per year.

To hunt in the Big Thicket National Preserve, hunters must obtain an annual hunting permit. These permits are issued on a first come, first served basis during specified days in July. Information on registration dates for 1991 permits will be released in late spring. For more information on hunting in the Big Thicket, contact the Preserve at (409) 839-2689.

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Tyler County COMMUNITY CALENDAR

JANUARY 1991

JANUARY 16:
HERITAGE VILLAGE MUSEUM. Woodville Garden Club meeting, 2 p.m. Whitmeyer Library. Christine Sanders will speak on Museum's Big Woods Hiking Trails.

HERITAGE VILLAGE MUSEUM. Birthday Party for 80-year old twins, Ernest and Ernie Martin. 4:30 p.m. Whitmeyer Library.

JANUARY 17:
TYLER COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ANNUAL BANQUET, 7:30 p.m. Woodville Inn. Tickets available at the Chamber of Commerce, Sullivan's Hardware and Jarrott's Pharmacy.

JANUARY 18:
ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION, 2 p.m. Woodville High School. A tree will be planted in memory of Robert Earl Matkin, deceased Woodville Policeman.

JANUARY 19:
DEDICATION OF ROBERT M. SHIVERS CIVIL WAR MEMORIAL, 2 p.m. Magnolia Cemetery. Reception following at Allan Shivers Library and Museum. Public invited. In case of inclement weather, entire program will take place at Library.

JANUARY 28:
ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING, Tyler County Heritage Society, 6 p.m. at the Pickett House. Election of officers for 1991.

FEBRUARY 2:
MISS TYLER COUNTY PAGEANT, sponsored by the American Business Women's Association. 7:30 p.m. Kirby Auditorium, Woodville. Tickets \$3 available from members of ABWA, the Chamber of Commerce and participating senior girls.

ChamberNews

TYLER COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Connie's Flower Shop received our December Lighting Award. She really set a standard for the people competing next year.

We hope this will become an annual event and get bigger and better with every year.

We would like to thank everyone who decorated their businesses and participated.

The Tyler County Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet will be held January 17, 1991 in the ballroom of the Woodville Inn. Tickets will be \$15.00 per person.

Our keynote speaker will be Dr. Donald E. Bowen, President of Stephen F. Austin State University.

We will be honoring our 1990 Business of the Year, Woodville Independent School District. Also we will name the Citizen of the Year and the Honorary Citizen of the Year. We will also honor our outgoing Directors and name our new ones.

Come and enjoy a good time.

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Notes from the Village:

By Marjorie Scholtz
Village Manager

"Who lives in this village?" the little boy asked.

This is a question often asked by small children who come to tour our village, and we think they deserve an answer.

Three years ago no one really lived in Heritage Village. It had been alive with activity in its past, but people bring life to a village and people had abandoned it. The buildings were sagging under the weight of loneliness. Only ghosts of Texas' past lived here.

Today our village is alive with activity. No longer a deserted ghost town without doors or windows, Heritage Village Museum is becoming a "living village." Saws and hammers, donations and a lot of heart is putting life and future in this little town.

The 1840 to 1900 time frame is presented through craftsmen in the village. Tour guides help you step back in time to see and feel the good times and the hard times of life in an early East Texas farming village.

The Cherokee Church stands watch now at the end of our road. The Turkey Creek Inn is about ready to open for our imaginary overnight visitors, who will probably stay over to hear the fiddlers on our new town stage.

The Sewing Shop just sold a hat to our 1890 shopper. The doctor just stepped away from his desk for a minute, but you know he'll be back. You can hear

the train leaving the depot and the anvil ringing in the blacksmith shop. The Tolar family is probably just out in the garden. The doors are open at their house, and the peas are waiting to be shelled.

Old "Joe" is bathing in the back room at the barber shop. Mrs. Collier at the general store has just run across the street to the post office, but you can pick out your nails from the barrel or select a union suit while she's gone.

The school children are having lunch in the woods right now, but the teacher will call them back soon with the big brass bell. You can ring that bell as you pass by. She might not want them back quite so soon, but you can drop in and look at the collection of old maps while you wait. She's using them to teach her students geography.

The cows are out in the pasture, but you are welcome to look around the 1840s cantilever log barn.

John Killam, our resident goldsmith and silversmith, will be glad to show you the ancient lost wax method he uses in making jewelry.

Jackie and Susan Gardner will sell you old or miniature rose bushes and tell you how to raise them for a lifetime. Step inside their shop and surround yourself with the delightful aroma of popovers made of rose petals and East Texas dried materials.

The Museum Store features area craftsmen and artists emphasizing early skills. And when you're tired and hungry, the

Pickett House will feed you an old time boarding house meal; all you can eat of fried chicken, chicken and dumplings and all the trimmings for a very reasonable price.

And at day's end a well marked nature trail will help you walk off that dinner in our own part of the Big Thicket, which we call the Big Woods.

So, who lives in this village, you ask. We all live and work in this Village and invite everyone in Tyler County to join us in keeping East Texas' past alive and well and available to all corners.

Shivers Exhibit On Display
If you haven't yet seen the interesting family display Robert M. Shivers has put into our Exhibit Room, you will certainly want to. Featured is his great grandfather, Robert Magee "Fighting Bob" Shivers, whose Civil War Memorial will be dedicated on January 19 at Magnolia Cemetery.

In addition to mementos of his illustrious ancestor's war time exploits from 1861 to 1865 are those detailing the military involvement of more recent family members in World Wars I and II and the Korean War.

Mr. Shivers brought this exhibit to Heritage Village on loan and is offering the large and handsome display case to other families, whose roots are in Tyler County, to honor their own past. If you would be interested in putting together an exhibit of your family's history, please give me a call. We'll be happy to work with you. This kind of history is

what our village and the Tyler County Heritage Society is all about.

Mrs. Shivers Donates Desks
From another branch of the Shivers family, we welcome an interesting donation. Mrs. Allan Shivers, whose husband, the late governor, was "Fighting Bob's" grandson, sent over two school desks she said were found not in but under the chapel at Peach Tree Village. John Henry Kirby had built the chapel as a memorial to his parents, and it had been used as a school.

The Shivers family owned Peach Tree for a number of years, during which time they cleaned out the chapel. It had been used at various times as a dairy and a barn. Carl Faircloth got local clubs to re-roof the chapel and paint it. Later Mr. and Mrs. Shivers opened it as a museum. When they sold the property, they gave the chapel to Tyler County.

Once again it fell into disrepair until the Fellowship Baptist Church of Nederland gained title to the rest of the property and took over the job of restoration, including the chapel. Today, the chapel is used as a meeting center for the church's encampment groups, while the old Kirby homestead is being turned into a museum.

We thank Mrs. Shivers for thinking of us and sharing them with us and with you. We plan to display them where everyone can see them and ask "what's that," that being the ink well complete in one of the two desks that even our grown children never knew existed.

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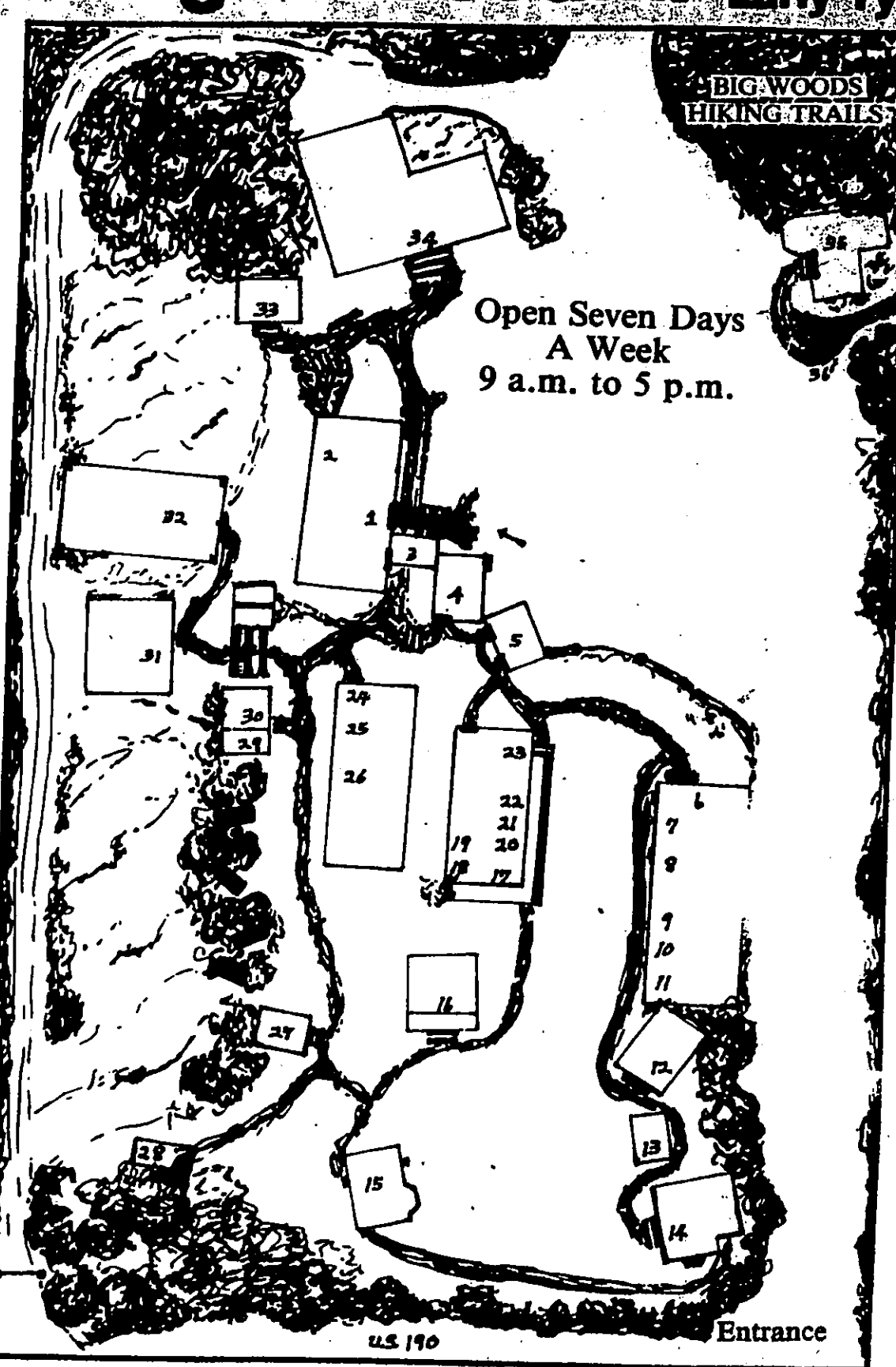
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- 2.—WHITMEYER GENEALOGY LIBRARY: Research your Tyler County roots right here at the Village. Share information through our Genealogy Register, use our microfiche and microfilm readers, browse through our growing collection of family histories and books.
- 3.—EXHIBITION ROOM: Monthly exhibits are shown in this room to further explain the history of Tyler County that is being preserved in the Village.
- 4.—KILLAM JEWELRY SHOP: Talented jewelry designer John Killam demonstrates early methods of jewelry making for visitors, while operating his custom jewelry business. Many of his designs are found exclusively in the Museum Store.
- 5.—JUSTICE OF THE PEACE: The JP's duties once included assaying minerals, performing marriage ceremonies and handing out punishment to criminals. Former Woodville City Magistrate and Border Patrolman T.E. Phillips offers interesting evidence of his colorful careers for Village visitors.
- 6.—PAWN SHOP: Old time mechanical money banks in the window invite visitors inside, where a wide variety of treasures can be found that stir memories of days gone by.
- 7.—WAGON SHOP: Plans are under way for reworking this area into a wagon shop and Tack Room.
- 8.—TEXAS DINNER BELL FACTORY: The traditional triangle, which rang across pioneer lands both as an alarm and a chow time "come and get it", is made here for sale at the Museum Store. The bells are also sent out on special order to specialty shops from coast to coast.
- 9.—POST OFFICE: There really was a Pluck Post Office, and Willie Reinhardt was the last Postmaster for the little mill town near Corrigan in Polk County. Inside fixtures are all authentic to the original.
- 10.—BARBER SHOP: If you wanted a Saturday night bath, this century old barber shop could accommodate you in the back room. The 1836 copper tub once belonged to a Jefferson, Texas, blacksmith. The century old fixtures of the shop included two chairs, which could be laid back and revolved, but not raised or lowered.
- 11.—SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND JAIL: Every town had one, of course. The Village's offering is a replica of the type of facilities one might have found in early Tyler County days.
- 12.—BLACKSMITH SHOP: In use in Colmesneil in the late 1800's, this shop is now the home of the East Texas Blacksmith Alliance. Village Blacksmiths fire up the forge whenever a touring group is expected, inviting them to share in what was once one of the most important businesses in any town.
- 13.—CANE GRINDER AND SYRUP MILL: Horses or mules were used to turn the grinders through which sugar cane was squeezed before the slow process of cooking the juice to produce a delectable syrup. In the shed beyond is an old wagon donated by the late Gov. Allan Shivers, a famous Woodville son.
- 14.—TOLAR CABIN: Built by Robert Tolar for his bride in 1866 and donated



- by his ancestors, the cabin, where family members cooked sumptuous meals over the open fire well into the 1950's, was moved intact from near Hillister. It was awarded the medallion of the Texas Historical Commission in 1964. On the way to the Railroad Depot, you can close your eyes and envision the Cherokee Church which will soon fill this spot.
- 15.—RAILROAD DEPOT: Materials for this depot came from the 1890 station in Hillister. The loop hanging on the outside wall held the Order Stick, which the Station Master would hold out to a passing train so orders, information and outgoing mail could be picked up without the train having to slow down.
- 16.—COLLIER STORE: Much of the original materials and furnishings are included in the reconstruction of this general store, built in Town Bluff in 1863 by Zacharia Cowart Collier. No visitor to the Village should miss this fine collection of interesting 19th century items.
- 17.—TURKEY CREEK INN: A reconstruction of what an early hostelry looked like in Tyler County. Furnishings being assembled to accompany the handsome upright piano donated by Phebe Armstrong and her sister.
- 18.—LAWYERS OFFICE: Every so often, every one in town needed a

- variety of demonstrations.
- 24.—MUSIC SHOP: Musical history memorabilia from the collection of Bubba Voss of Orange, who spent many years in a circus band, has been increased to include old sheet music donated by Fred Bennett of Woodville.
- 25.—CHAIR FACTORY: Dallas Miller operated this chair factory in Burkeville until 1964, when it was donated to the Village by his family. Besides being the best chair-maker in this part of the country, Miller was also a genius in fabricating the machinery he needed to make those chairs.
- 26.—INDUSTRIAL AREA: Soon to be the home of the Mattress Factory, Seed Separator and other early machinery needed to keep an early Village operating.
- 27.—LITTLE RED SCHOOL HOUSE: Typical of the one-room school houses where all grades were taught by one teacher and older students were pressed into service to help the younger ones with their lessons. Nestled in the woods next to the school is a picnic area, where visitors who wish to "brown bag it" can relax and enjoy.
- 28.—THE VILLAGE STILL: Once shamefully located right outside the school building, the Whiskey Still has thankfully been moved up into the woods, where it can turn out its moonshine without corrupting young souls at recess.
- 29.—SHINGLE SPLITTING: Under the overhang of the log utility shed you'll often find Ewell Woods, one of the Village's most faithful volunteers, who splits shingles to the entertainment of Village visitors.
- 30.—LOG UTILITY CRIB: Dismantled by the Tyler County Junior Historians and then reassembled log by log by this same group of history-minded youngsters, this sturdy log structure comes from the Pleasant Hill Community near Spurter, southeast of Woodville.
- 31.—CANTILEVER LOG BARN: This 140-year old log barn once belonged to the family of famed timber and oilman, John Henry Kirby, at Peach Tree Village near Chester. It was moved log by log to the Village by a team of volunteers.
- 32.—DEMONSTRATION BARN: Since old time craft demonstrations are the life line of the Village, this open sided pole barn offers a perfect spot for large demonstrations, outdoor gatherings and workshops. Most recently it saw dozens of portable forges in action during a statewide meeting of blacksmiths.
- 33.—THE COTTAGE ROSE: Antique and miniature roses surround this delightful little shop, which is located outside the Village proper, up the hill from the Pickett House Restaurant. Outside, you'll find a profusion of beautiful containerized plants for sale. Inside, dried flowers, dried arrangements and flowerful potpourri fill the air with delightful and aromatic gift ideas.
- 34.—PICKETT HOUSE: Country cooking abounds in this world famous restaurant housed in a turn of the century school house.
- 35.—HAMM HOUSE: Donated by the Hamm Family of Town Bluff, this century old home will soon be restored as a Nature Center at the head of the Big Woods Hiking Trails.
- 36.—BIG WOODS HIKING TRAILS: This 11.5 acres of well-marked hiking trails offer most of the treasures that can be found in the Big Thicket.

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T.E. Phillips, former Municipal Judge for the City of Woodville and currently "consultant" at the Vintage Heritage Village, served his early years in the fledgling Border Patrol along the Rio Grande Valley. Involved in more than 30 gun battles and shot twice in the line of duty, Judge Phillips' stories of his career in the Border Patrol are straight out of the Wild West—the Wild West of the American Border during three decades from 1920 to 1950. The Judge is a regular feature of the East Texas Echo.

By T.E. Phillips

I have often been asked about nicknames for officers in the Border Patrol, why I was given such a name and what an officer had to do to get one.

And, of course, I have been asked many times why I am so proud of my nickname "Felipe."

In all sports, baseball, football, tennis, etc., there are always those few who, because they are better players, are awarded nicknames. Fellow players and fans alike use these nicknames as a term of respect, and the man with such a nickname can usually name his own salary.

It was a little different in the Border Patrol. No officer ever got to name his own salary, even if he did have a nickname, but he did get a lot of respect from both his men and the public with whom he had to work. That was worth a lot.

"Felipe" recalls proud moments along the border

For a Border Patrol Officer to earn a nickname he had to be better than the other officers he worked with. And after he got his name, he had to try even harder to be a better officer and keep the confidence of his men.

Some of the most noted officers I worked with were the old-time Texas Rangers, and most of them had nicknames. When someone said "Captain," or "Mr. Jim" or "Lone Wolf," the last name wasn't necessary. Everyone knew.

I was in one fight with "Lone Wolf" Gonzales. Actually, that's not quite the case. The fight was over before I fired a shot, which may give you some idea of how he earned his name. But that's another story.

As I've mentioned before, my first working partner in the U.S. Border Patrol was probably the most noted officer in history. Zane Gray selected him as the model for his book "The Lone Star Ranger." This officer's nickname was "Mr. Johnnie," a name so well known that I have seen mail delivered to him from three different post offices with no more address than just his nickname.

When "Mr. Jim" gave me my nickname, following an incident when he was the target of an assassin's bullet, he was crying, and he hugged me. To see an old-time Texas Ranger cry was

something unusual, and I have never forgotten it.

The two officers with me at the time were very good men. Together with "Mr. Jim" they added some to the story of the fight, in which "Mr. Jim's" life was saved, but no one questioned them.

Almost over night, word of my nickname spread over the entire district. The law abiding Mexicans living in the valley were well pleased. As the population of the valley at that time was just over 98 per cent Mexican, I was soon known throughout as "Felipe."

After I was promoted and moved to Mission, the people were very nice to me. The constable took me everywhere and introduced me as "Felipe." And every where I went I was welcomed by the decent people who had already heard of me by that name.

There is no way for me to tell just what that nickname meant to me or how hard I worked to be worthy of it. But, sometimes, when we were driving down a country road and would stop to talk with an old Mexican, he'd take off his hat and nod and say, "Don Felipe." And that made me proud.

One thing I had never quite understood was when another man with a nickname met me, he would never offer to shake hands, but rather he would put his hand on my shoulder as he recognized me as "Felipe." I just knew it

was gesture of respect, and when this happened it made me feel about six inches taller.

Christening Takes Priority

As I have said I was always proud of my nickname, but there was one time when its use made me feel very humble indeed.

At the time there were very few churches in the valley. The Catholic Church related its ministry by setting up dates in advance at certain ranches or farms, usually about six months apart, so the faithful could plan to meet there.

One morning "Mr. Johnnie" and I decided to look the river country over. We were just checking up as we had no information. We were working the country east of the Casa Colorado where there were three houses built close together near the river. After slipping through the woods, we reached the river just in time to see a man pushing a boat onto a sandbar on the far side of the river for two women waiting there.

Now, we knew this to be a smuggling spot. There was a small Mexican settlement about a half mile from the river and a road that ran directly down to the river front. The land was used for farming and had no brush or trees, so we could see what was happening at the settlement.

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Beaumont celebrates 90th anniversary of Spindletop

BEAUMONT—Adventurers from every corner of the world converged on Beaumont, Texas, 90 years ago this month. They came on foot. They came on horse back. They came by boat and by railroad.

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the oily pie named Spindletop.

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already producing half of the nation's total oil, this gusher, surpassed the world's wildest dreams in terms of total volume available.

In a matter of days Beaumont grew to a city of 50,000 people. Tens of thousands were rented for beds. People slept in shifts. The town and surrounding

areas was in chaos, as all city services were swamped.

Many of today's major oil companies resulted from that gusher. Many small companies became giants almost overnight.

And Southeast Texas became the oil center of the world for many years to come.

★ "Felipe" recalls proud moments (Continue from Page 6)

The man in the boat I knew by sight, but not by name, but he knew me. As soon as the boat landed, we arrested him and the two women before realizing that the young woman had a small baby with her. On approaching the river, we had noticed something happening at one of the three farm houses. There were a number of people there. The young woman told me that the priest was at the house and that she had brought her baby to be christened. Since we were almost in sight of the house, I decided to let the two women take the baby to the priest, while we held the man prisoner.

We had been there only a short time, when we saw some soldiers ride up to the settlement. Evidently there were looking for the same man we were holding. After talking to the people the soldiers came down the little road to the river. The man in charge, a captain I decided since he carried a quirt, could not see us, but he called out across the river for our man. I told the man to answer and stand where

the soldiers could see him. After they talked, I told him to tell the captain that I was going to let him take the woman and baby back to Mexico.

When the women came back, I held the baby while they were getting into the boat. Before casting off, I told the man the next time I saw the boat I was going to shoot it full of holes. When they reached the other side of the river, the captain got off his horse to talk to the man, while the women walked up the road toward the settlement.

I didn't want to care for a small baby and two women with our car probably three or four miles away. Besides, I couldn't see that letting a baby be baptized hurt too much.

After the man talked with the captain for a few minutes, he called to me, using my nickname, and said that the captain wanted me to come down to the sand bar at the water's edge. The river was low and there were sand bars on either side. The captain and the man were standing

on the sand bar on their side of the river, while the soldiers remained on the river bank.

Now, usually, there would have been no way a dozen soldiers and a smuggler could have talked me into walking out on that sand bar, but the smuggler's use of my nickname forced me to go. As I walked down to the river, I had no idea what to expect.

First, the captain got on his horse and turned toward the bank, calling out an order to his soldiers. The soldiers came to attention as if on parade or inspection. The captain then turned his horse to face me, raised his quirt to his forehead in salute and shouted "Felipe."

As I removed my hat, the captain and his soldiers turned and rode back up the little road.

When I went back to where my partner was waiting, I had to sit down for a few minutes. That's when "Mr. Johnnie" put his hand on my shoulder. And then I knew. And I was never more proud.

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	—Board Meeting
1:30 p.m.	Thursday, January 10, 1991
12:30 p.m.	—Books delivered to both Nursing Homes
12:30 p.m.	Friday, January 11, 1991
9:15 a.m.	—St. Paul's School
10:00 a.m.	Wednesday, January 16, 1991
9:15 a.m.	—Early Childhood Film
10:00 a.m.	—Day Care Center Film
2:00 p.m.	—Little Eagle's Nest Film
12:30 p.m.	Friday, January 18, 1991
10:00 a.m.	Monday, January 21, 1991
9:15 a.m.	—Retired Teachers
10:00 a.m.	Wednesday, January 23, 1991
9:15 a.m.	—Early Childhood Film
10:00 a.m.	—Day Care Center Film
2:00 p.m.	—Little Eagle's Nest Film
1:30 p.m.	Thursday, January 24, 1991
12:30 p.m.	—Books delivered to both Nursing Homes
12:30 p.m.	Friday, January 25, 1991
9:15 a.m.	—St. Paul's School
10:00 a.m.	Wednesday, January 28, 1991
9:15 a.m.	—Early Childhood Film
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★ 'Fightin' Bob'

the river playing "Yankee Doodle." And then, when both groups had finished their airs, the Yankees struck up "Home Sweet Home" and were soon joined by the Confederates. For the moment, all was forgiven.

In 1863, Robert Magee Shivers and the 16th followed Colonel Canoe Posey to Charlottesville, all the way to Gettysburg and on to the Battle of Bristoe Station, where Posey, now a general, was severely wounded. Posey, who had led the 16th since it was first formed two years earlier, died at Charlottesville in November 1863.

In 1864, Robert and his Company B, 16th Regiment, saw action in the Battle of the Wilderness and were back at Cold Harbor for one of the bloodiest battles in history. General Grant was quoted as saying "I always regretted that third charge at Cold Harbor," and well he should have. The Union had 7,000 casualties in the first 30 minutes. The final tally for the three day battle was 12,000 Union casualties, 1,500 Confederates.

Robert Magee Shivers, No More

In August of last year, "Fightin' Bob" was taken out of the fight at the Battle of Walden Railroad, when he was wounded and captured. In spite of his wounds, he was marched 16 miles to City Point, Virginia, where he was put aboard a steamboat to Point Lookout, Maryland, and a temporarily built prison. Here the Confederate prisoners were starved and many froze to death. Over 3,200 died during the seven months young Shivers was incarcerated.

On March 14, 1865, Robert Magee Shivers was paroled and transferred to

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Aikens Landing, Virginia, along with 903 other prisoners of war to be exchanged. Parolees were not allowed to re-enlist so while the war continued its bloody path, the released soldiers started making their way home as best they could.

As he headed back to Tyler County, where he would live out the rest of his 86 years, it is doubtful that Robert Magee "Fightin' Bob" Shivers knew that there were only three soldiers left in Company B, 16th Regiment, when Lee surrendered at Appomattox on April 9, 1865.

A Family Affair

When Robert M. Shivers II and his brothers dedicate the massive granite monument, engraved with their great grandfather's Civil War exploits, at Magnolia Cemetery on January 19, they will be surrounded by family both current and past. Buried nearby are their great-great grandmother Nancy Shivers, great grandmother Frances J. McAllister (Robert Magee's wife), grandparents William Gilbert and Phoebe Weeks Shivers, and their own parents Lonnie and Lela Barfield Shivers. Also their only sister, Ethylene Sikes, who passed away in 1977.

The six other sons of Lonnie and Lela Shivers, several of whom have helped "Fightin' Bob's" namesake see his dream come true, are William Gilbert, Alfred and Clarence Gregg, all of Hull, Lonnie Glenn and Byron of Liberty and Mitchell Lee of Houston. Bill White, a cousin from Sour Lake, also pitched in on the final installation of the impressive monument to his great grandfather who risked his life for what he believed and never deserted the Confederacy.

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