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REVAMPING HARPER

Modifications being
made for upcoming
school year

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With the Webster Parish School Board moving forward with a plan for J.E. Harper Elementary, a few modifications will be made this upcoming school year in hopes to further alleviate problems that have plagued the school since consolidation.

Harper principal Janene Ashley says a few measures are being taken to address ongoing issues at the school.

"As far as the noise level, I've encouraged my teachers to teach their group lessons on outside walls so they aren't teaching back to back, because it does get noisy," she said. "We've taken some actions to make the best of what might not be an ideal situation."

Ashley says some kindergarten classes will be moved to the ground level at the request of the fire marshal.

In the

case of a crisis, students on the lower level will be moved outside through the cafeteria which opens to the outside while students on the upper level will move out the front door of the building.

Ashley says she's glad to know there is finally a plan to move forward.

"I'm pleased that they are talking about the issues that we have and that there's a plan," she said, "and my teachers know that there is a light at the end of the tunnel. We have crisis plans, we have fire drills, and we're going to just keep on doing what we've always done to make this a safe environment for our students."

While the building does not technically meet fire code standards for the housed age group, the school has been "grandfathered in" as the

moves forward with implementing the steps to move kindergarten and first grade classes to a new location.

A public records request was made to the school board and the Louisiana State Fire Marshal's Office in regards to paperwork or a letter that states the building does not meet fire code for the age group that's housed there. However, the last inspection date on reports issued by the state fire marshal's office in January shows the building meets all requirements.

Rawls says if there is a letter stating any deficiencies on file, it will be provided. As of press time, a request for the letter made on

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AT THE FARM

Saturday is last Farmer's Market for the season

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This Saturday will be the last Farmer's Market of the year at The Farm.

With temperatures expected to soar into the triple digits, Tina McKissack, Farmer's Market chairman, says beat the heat and come early.

"Come early to insure you get those vegetables," she said. "This will be the last chance to get those

fresh vegetables for the summer."

The Farm's vegetable table will be back this weekend, McKissack says. They haven't had their table the last couple of weekends, but the table will feature a variety of vegetables for those last minute shoppers to get fresh vegetables. Most of the vendors who have participated all summer should be on hand as well, she says.

"It should be a nice market," she said. "It's been a good season. We've had plenty of vendors and plenty of vegetables. It's the best year we've had in a long time."

Vendors will include Ms. Mona Kay's jams and jellies, Ben Branch and his farm fresh eggs, Ms. Thelma with her mayhaw jelly, plenty of veggies and plenty of bows for the little girls starting school. Don't forget the handmade

crafts that will be on sale, including homemade soaps.

On this final day, a special demonstration will take place at 10 a.m. Julie Alexander, a member of the Piney Hills Louisiana Master Gardeners, will present a free

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workshop, "Lasagna Gardening: Layering up for Your Fall Garden." She will focus on the lasagna garden method, also known as "sheet mulching."

"This method of building raised garden beds does not require digging or tilling," Alexander said, "so it is convenient for those who have poor existing soil, abundant weeds or insufficient drainage in

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LOUISIANA OUTDOORS

Drawdown scheduled for Lake Bistineau

BATON ROUGE — In an effort to control aquatic vegetation, the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries will open the water control structure on Lake Bistineau near Minden for a lake drawdown.

On Aug. 3, the lake will be lowered at a rate of 4 to 6 inches per day. The gates will close no later than Jan. 15 to allow the lake to refill.

Current estimates show 1,781 acres of giant salvinia coverage in the 17,000-acre lake, reaching the threshold necessary for the drawdown as identified in the department's Lake Bistineau Management Plan. During the drawdown, about 10,000 acres of water will remain in the lake.

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EDUCATION

Back to School Bash is August 3

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Various businesses and donors are teaming up with the Webster Parish School Board to host the 7th annual Back to School Bash.

The event is from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m., August 3, at the Minden Civic Center. Offered throughout the day will be free school supplies, free haircuts, sack lunches for the students, T-shirts for the first 300 students, free sno-cones, popcorn and drinks and raffles for bicy-

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AROUND THE STATE

Report: Speed caused 27 percent of La. traffic death in 2013

BATON ROUGE — A new report finds speeding was a factor in at least 27 percent of Louisiana traffic fatalities in 2013.

A National Highway Traffic Safety Administration study says the state had 703 traffic fatalities two years ago and 193

stemmed in part from speeding.

More than 9,600 people nationally died from speeding-related crashes,

down 7 percent from the previous year.

John LeBlanc, executive director of the Louisiana Highway Safety Commis-

sion, tells The Advocate the state's highway fatality rates have declined significantly since 2007, but speed continues to be a

major factor in fatal crashes.

The state had 997 traffic fatalities in 2007.



In June, the school board voted in favor of building a wing on to Webster Junior High School and moving the sixth grade students there, and constructing a wing on to J.A. Phillips Middle School and moving the Harper students there. Bruce Franklin/Press-Herald

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July 21 had not been met. In June, the school board voted in favor of building a wing on to Webster Junior High School and moving the sixth grade students there, and constructing a wing on to J.A. Phillips Middle School and moving the Harper students there.

"The issue is if you do any kind of work on a building it's got to meet the new codes," Rawls said. "If you try to do anything to renovate, it's got

to meet new codes. And while you're doing that, you have to take the kids out of the building."

Any major construction dictates that the structure must meet current building codes, Rawls said.

The problem is when consolidation took place, students were moved around seemingly without consideration of meeting building code requirements, Rawls said. At a previous inspection, the school site was "grandfathered in" because the kids were already there, he says.

"I don't know if that

was a verbal acceptance or a letter acceptance," he said.

At the July 13 special meeting, Yeager, Watson and Associates Inc. was chosen as the architect for the project selected. According to estimates given to the school board, the total cost of the project will be roughly \$6 million.

Construction of a new wing at Phillips for kindergarten students will cost roughly \$2.4 million, with restroom renovations for the appropriate age group set at about \$50,000.

A wing for the sixth grade students at Webster

Junior High will cost roughly \$2.4 million.

Related costs include furniture and equipment at \$150,000, technology at \$90,000, fees and associated bond election costs at \$500,000 and contingency allowance at \$500,000, totaling roughly \$1.2 million.

Part of the cost of construction will be paid for through District 6 sales tax funds while the remaining costs would have to be paid for through a bond issue extension. The bond extension is expected to be on the November ballot.

First 300 students to receive free T-shirt

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cles, electronic tablets, gift certificates, school uniforms and much more.

"The Webster Parish School Board puts on the Back to School Bash," Jennifer Spurlock, of Minden Medical Center, a banner sponsor of the event, said. "It is a community event that helps any Webster Parish public school child receive extra help when it comes to school supplies."

Students do not have to meet any income requirements, she said.

"We don't turn them around," Glenda Allums, with ConocoPhillips, another banner sponsor, said.

The bash is for students from Pre-K all the way to high school. Each student will receive a tote bag with grade appropriate school supplies.

"We have volunteers to issue the supplies by grades," Allums said. "A parent or an adult will have to be with the students."

Spurlock says representatives from each school will be on hand with information for parents, and parents may also register their child for school that day. Spurlock and Allums say if parents are registering their child for school that day, they need to



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make sure to have all appropriate documentation such as two proofs of residence (such as utility bill, cable bill), current immunization records and any other documentation needed.

The cost of school supplies average about \$45 per student, not counting uniforms and other items they may need for school.

School uniforms are costly as well, and school uniforms will be raffled off throughout the day. While those are some of the most costly items, supplies remains the focus of the back to school bash.

Minden Medical Center will also be on hand to provide proper hand-washing techniques, information on nutrition and exercise. Other sponsors will be available as well providing information students might need.

Event coordinators are seeking sponsors and volunteers to help with the event as it has grown exponentially.

"Every year it grows," Allums said. "The need and the events; all of the businesses are just wonderful."

Volunteers will be needed to fill a variety of roles including runners, sorters, and assistants for the Pack the Bus event Friday and Saturday.

Sponsorship levels vary, and in kind donations may be made as well.

For more information, to volunteer or become a sponsor, call Allums at 318-382-4508 or Ursula Hullaby at 318-377-7052, extension 228.

Lasagna garden demonstration set for 10 a.m. at The Farm

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their garden areas. By layering compostable materials in a specific order and ratio, a lasagna garden naturally composts itself into rich garden soil over time."

As an added advantage, she says, a lasagna garden

bed is easy to construct using existing materials most people already have in their homes and yards, like leaves, kitchen scraps, grass clippings, old newspaper or shredded paper, and it can be planted immediately after it is built.

She says the summer season is the best time to begin gathering materials for this type of garden.

"Lasagna beds are best begun in the fall months, where they have time to break down through the winter and provide nutrients to cool-season crops," she said.

The workshop will take approximately 20 minutes, and guests to The Farm can enjoy the final weekend of the Farmer's Market. Handouts with instructions and lasagna

gardening references will be provided to workshop attendees.

Cultural Crossroads executive director Chris Broussard says it takes community support for smaller markets like this one to survive.

"This community service supported by Cultural Crossroads costs us a couple thousand dollars in overhead and insurance,"

she said. "Our dedicated board of directors serve as the volunteer work force. We seem to be successful until the larger markets in Shreveport and Benton open and our number of vendors and patrons decline."



She says they are looking hard at whether to do the market again, but feels The Farm is the perfect venue for such an event.

"Our hats off to our dedicated volunteer market manager, Tina McKisack," she said. "No one has tried harder to make this happen. We also thank our corporate sponsor this year, the Minden Press-Herald. You all have certainly been there for us. We thank our vendors and patrons...and we've had some good ones."



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Dr. Maraist grew up in St. Martinville, Louisiana and enjoys playing golf, hunting, fishing, cooking, gardening and spending time with his wife, Jodie, who is also an Ob/Gyn, and their dogs Itzbie and Bella.

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CAMEOS OF MINDEN

A story of the drought of the late 1800s

JUANITA AGAN
Special to the Press-Herald

This has been a long, hot summer. I was forced to dig my caladiums this past week because they were so small, stunted and needing almost daily watering. I had not considered what this hot summer had done to the animals in the nearby woods until my son pointed out something that made me realize they are suffering, too. This week as he drove out Country Club Circle he noticed two deer on the lawn of the church that is in the curve of the road there. It was a mother deer and one of her young deer. He said that they were terribly thin, and so still he first thought they were statues. I have heard other people telling about animals coming up to homes. Melba Lowery says that a raccoon stays under one of their bird feeders, apparently hungry. Tracy and Jennifer Campbell live on Country Club Circle, and Tracy said he counted sixteen deer behind his home. He said they eat everything they can find in his yard — shrubbery, rose bushes, monkey grass. They are so hungry and thirsty.

Praying for Rain

When I was young, about eighteen, a group met in the home of Mrs. C. B. Walker to study the Bible. Others who attended were Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Turner, Miss Kuma Shealy, Mrs. M. M. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Barnes, Athlea Foster and others. These were all great Bible scholars. Mrs. Walker told of living near Dubberly when there was a terrible drought. She said they drove in wagons to special prayer meetings at her church where they prayed diligently for rain. She said they prayed, believing, and carried umbrellas indicating that God would answer their prayers. That was faith, and we need prayers now and we need to believe that God will answer our prayers. There



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is no way these animals can find water and food if we do not soon get rain.

This past week Wiley Hilburn wrote of the drought that afflicted several North La. Parishes during the late 1890s. He did not mention Red River and Natchitoches Parishes nor did he mention 1894. About seventy years ago, my mother told me about the terrible drought of those years, and how it affected her family. My mother was ten years old when this story took place. Please forgive me for telling you a story from my own family that I wrote many years ago for my children - a story about my grandmother. My daughter asked that I share this story with you.

A Mainstay

Corn was such a mainstay in life when my mother was a little girl. Each year when the corn was harvested, they first took out the seed corn for the next year. The corn that was left was carried to the grist mill and either coarsely ground into chops to feed the chickens, or ground into meal. The grist mill owner kept a part of the meal as his fee. He could easily sell the meal.

My grandmother was a sort of mid-wife in the community since she was called to homes where there was illness. If there were an abscess or a bruise, a poultice of scalded meal helped, or a thin gruel made from cornmeal was excellent following an upset stomach. These were just a few of the medicinal benefits from cornmeal.

However, cornbread was the accompaniment for the vegetables that she cooked. Turnip greens without cornbread was unthinkable. For breakfast she made a dish she called “mush” which was made from meal placed in boiling water and cooked until it thickened down. On cold mornings when the six boys and two girls along with the parents lined down the benches on each side of the big old table, steaming bowls of cornmeal mush, with a dollop of butter and some form of sweetening made a welcome meal. Of course, they always loved the hot water

cornbread that she made. It would not be Thanksgiving or Christmas without cornbread dressing.

An Empty Barrel

The corn crops had failed for the past two years because of the drought. December 1894, found all the cornmeal gone - the barrel was empty. The smokehouse had plenty of meat from the hogs they had butchered - hams and bacon. There was a large flock of chickens, and of course, there were the cows. Wild turkeys were so plentiful in the trees around their farm that with just a single shot the boys could bring down one. The huge half-gallon fruit jars that she had canned were lined along the shelves with peas, beans, and peaches and any other fruit that was available. There might be greens or collards in the garden but they did not taste right without that cornbread.

Grandmother Susie had observed her 40th birthday December 5, and now it was just a few days until Christmas. As she walked down the long porch to the kitchen ell of the house, the wind seemed to cut through her clothes. She felt the cold especially now, and she was so cumbersome. Perhaps, it was because by April she would have a new baby. The youngest child, a son, would not be two until July. She stirred the coals in the stove, added kindling wood to start the fire going, and then added more wood.

Still, the meal barrel was empty. Grandmother knew that come spring the cows would “come into the pen” which meant they would have new calves. Milk and butter would be plentiful to sell. The hens would lay much better than in this cold weather. The eggs could easily be sold to buy meal, but spring was a long way off.

An Idea

Grandmother remembered that a few years back Grandfather had sold his cotton and cleared much more than he expected. He had gone to Mrs. Prothro’s Millinery Shop in Campti and bought Grandmother a beautiful silk scarf. Mrs. Prothro had selected one

that would set off Grandmother’s fair skin, red gold hair and blue green eyes, and it was large enough to be worn as a shawl.

The next Sunday, Grandmother proudly draped the scarf over her shoulders as she went to church. It was beautiful and the ladies crowded around, admiring it. One, the wife of the grist mill owner, had asked where it came from. The next week she had gone to the shop but there was not another scarf like it, none so pretty. She had come back and gone to my Grandmother and attempted to buy it. No way would she sell it - it was a visible way of showing Grandfather’s love for her. That cold December morning, Grandmother remembered the scarf that the grist mill owner’s wife had coveted. She knew that they had plenty of meal as they kept a part of the meal as they ground the corn for the farmers. But meal cost money and she had none.

A Trade

She made up her mind. She took the scarf, which had been carefully wrapped in her trunk, and decided to try to sell it. Even though she was just a little over five feet tall and her body was bulky with the expected baby, she saddled a horse and rode off to the home of the wife of the grist mill owner. When she arrived, the woman still coveted the beautiful silk scarf. After a little coaxing, she persuaded her hus-

band to swap a barrel of meal for the scarf.

Grandmother was so proud to ride home and tell the menfolks to hook up the wagon and bring home the meal. They were astounded. How did little Grandmother manage to get a barrel of meal?

Christmas Dinner

There was cornbread, there was mush and at Christmas there was plenty of cornbread dressing.

She never had such a beautiful scarf again, but her six sons and two daughters had what was lacking in their diet, and there never again was the shortage of corn and cornmeal as that winter of 1894-95. Oh yes, the baby that was born April 19, 1895, was a girl, the last child Grandmother ever had. This baby’s birth caused the cooking for the family of now 11, to be delegated to my mother who was ten years old, along with the responsibility of taking care of the three smallest children. A few years later, two of the sons, John and William, along with Bobby and Sidney Turner, and Lola and Effie Turner, of here in Minden, rented a house together in Mt. Lebanon and attended the college there.

A Namesake

History books record the terrible drought that afflicted the United States for about three or four years in the middle 1890s. That drought had a tremendous effect in Red

River Parish, where my mother was born and grew up. This is the story of her mother and my grandmother, Margaret Suzannah Longino, who was born 1854 and died in 1919, four years before she was born. She was the mother of eleven children, with nine growing to adulthood. At least four of these were college graduates, which was an accomplishment for farm families. She was a gifted seamstress, making the wedding dresses, christening dresses, burial clothes, and even men’s suits for the community. Each winter after the gardens and the canning were “laid by” she made each of the six sons a new blue serge suit with their last year’s suit being passed down as a “second best” suit for the next son in line. She used many bolts of cloth to make dresses for the three daughters. With just a pattern for a neckline and an armhole, she designed the most beautiful clothes for the daughters, without a pattern, but just a picture from a magazine such as Godey’s Lady’s Book. My daughter is named for her.

Juanita Agan submitted a weekly column to the Press-Herald for more than 15 years until her death in 2008. She was a resident of Minden since 1935. The Press-Herald is republishing select articles from Mrs. Agan’s Cameos column every Wednesday.

Boaters will still have access to lake

LAKE

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Boaters will still be able to access the lake from several launches including Port of Bistineau Launch,

Bossier Public Launch, Grice’s and Bayou Dorcheat Public Launch.




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BIRTHDAYS FOR WEDNESDAY, JULY 22, 2015

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Miles that Matter 5K Run/Walk
Saturday, August 15
at 8a.m.
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Miles that Matter 5K is being held in an effort to raise funds to offset healthcare costs for Tiffany Copeland of Minden who was recently diagnosed with acute myeloid leukemia.

Starting Time: 5K Run/Walk sponsored in part by Minden Medical Center will start at 8a.m. Saturday, August 15.

Race course: The course will begin and end at Minden Medical Center Outpatient Physical Therapy at 1120 Homer Road in Minden. Participants will run/walk through Ridgewood neighborhood.

Registration: Early Registration is \$25 until August 4. All participants who register by August 4 will receive a short sleeve official Miles that Matter Run T-shirt. Late registration is \$30 August 5-Race Day. You may pay with a credit card online at www.sportspectrumusa.com or with cash or contact Ashley Vise at 318-464-2146 or Sportspectrum in Shreveport at 6970 Fern Avenue. IPICO timing system is included in registration fee.

Packet Pickup: Friday, August 14 and Saturday, August 15, 8a.m. until 5p.m. at 1120 Homer Road and Race day 7a.m. until 7:45a.m. before race.

Age Group Awards: 1st place winners in each following age group will receive awards: 12 and under, 13-19, 20-30, 31-40, 41-50, 51-60, 61 and older.

Post Race Party: Following the race we'll have family friendly entertainment and activities, so stick around!

Inclement Weather: Check Facebook Fight for Tiffany or Call 318-464-2146 for updates on race day weather.

In consideration of my being admitted to enter the Miles that Matter 5K, I, for myself, my heirs, and assigns, executors and administrators, do hereby forever release and discharge Sportspectrum, RRCA, Sportspectrum Race Management, NWLRA, Minden Medical center Rehab & Physical Therapy, their employees and agents, of and from any and all claims or demands for damages, injuries, or liability, in any manner arising out of participation in this event. I agree to indemnify and hold harmless the parties released above from any claims or demands for damages, for injuries or liability, in any way arising out of my participation in this event. I certify that I have prepared myself for this race and that I am in adequate physical condition to complete the event I have entered. I agree to follow all rules of this race and to permit myself to be removed from the competition if in the opinion of Race Management that continuing would endanger my health.

Miles that Matter 5K Official Entry Form and T-Shirt Order Form - August 15, 2015

Today's Date: ___/___/2015 Entry Fee: **\$25** Late Entry Fee after August 4: **\$30** Individual T-shirts: **\$25**

Last Name _____ First Name _____ Date of Birth ___/___/___

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OPINION

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PERSPECTIVE

Travelin' the blue roads

I thrills me when I find someone who has enjoyed a particular book that I have read and enjoyed. Last week this happened and it challenged me to go back and re-read it.

"Blue Highways", by William Least Heat Moon, has had a place on my bookshelf for several years. In fact, this is the second copy as my first one was passed around and became tattered, so I replaced it. The author has written other books, two of which I read. To me, they were not as good as the first one.

In case you aren't familiar with the book, it's the record of the author as he travels across the country, mainly staying on the blue highways, avoiding the interstates as much as possible. He makes a complete circle, returning to his starting point after many months and many miles.

These roads are the ones that show up in blue on road maps and lead one through the smaller towns and some that no longer exist, having dwindled through the years but not yet removed from the maps.

I, too, enjoy traveling on the blue roads. These offer opportunity to actually see the country side and enjoy the beauty of the landscapes that are impossible to see when traveling by interstate.

I realize if you're going for a long distance the interstates are the most obvious choice. But for shorter excursions, nothing beats the blue highways.

Last week we had opportunity to travel a bit on one of our Louisiana blue roads. We traveled two stretches of Highway 1 and experienced some lovely scenery. Being the farm girl that I am, I was enthralled by the beautiful cotton fields. The plants, almost waist tall, were a vibrant green and exhibited the colorful blooms that appear before the bolls.

We saw acres and acres of cotton along the way as well as fields of soybeans.

As we neared the Natchitoches area, we traveled along the river and bayous. White egrets were busily picking for food in the fields where hay or other crops had been cut while others were resting in the nearby tree tops.

In the southern part of our route, we were amazed at the beautifully kept yards. The grass was neatly cut and very seldom did one see an abandoned car or piece of farm machinery. Everything was in its place and one could tell the homeowners took great pride in the appearance of their homes and yards.

We found this not to be as evident as we went further along the road. Some houses had overgrown grass and old cars or farm equipment rusting away nearby.

The beauty of the roads far outweighed the distractions of the lesser kept areas, and it still made for an enjoyable ride.

We have also found that Highway 2, that traverses the top part of the state, is a good road to travel. This one takes the traveler through small towns, along fields with a variety of crops, and along the bayous.

I would highly recommend one to take the time, travel along the blue highways and enjoy the countryside in all its beauty.

In the meantime, you might want to check out this book and, along with me, enjoy some arm-chair travels while awaiting an available time to hit the road.

You never know, we might meet you out there.

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Historical Ignorance II

We call the war of 1861 the Civil War. But is that right? A civil war is a struggle between two or more entities trying to take over the central government. Confederate President Jefferson Davis no more sought to take over Washington, D.C., than George Washington sought to take over London in 1776. Both wars, those of 1776 and 1861, were wars of independence. Such a recognition does not require one to sanction the horrors of slavery. We might ask, How much of the war was about slavery?

Was President Abraham Lincoln really for outlawing slavery?

Let's look at his words. In an 1858 letter, Lincoln said, "I have declared a thousand times, and now repeat that, in my opinion neither the General Government, nor any other power outside of the slave states, can constitutionally or rightfully interfere with slaves or slavery where it already exists." In a Springfield, Illinois, speech, he explained: "My declarations upon this subject of Negro slavery may be misrepresented but cannot be misunderstood. I have said that I do not understand the Declaration (of Independence) to mean that all men were created equal in all respects." Debating Sen.

Stephen Douglas, Lincoln said, "I am not, nor ever have been, in favor of making voters or jurors of Negroes nor of qualifying them to hold office nor to intermarry with white people; and I will say in addition to this that there is a physical difference between the white and black races, which I believe will forever forbid the two races living together on terms of social and political equality."

What about Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation? Here are his words: "I view the matter (of slaves' emancipation) as a practical war measure, to be decided upon according to the advantages or disadvantages it may offer to the suppression of the rebellion." He also wrote: "I will also concede that emancipation would help us in Europe, and convince them that we are incited by something more than ambition." When Lincoln first drafted the proclamation, war was going badly for the Union.

London and Paris were considering recognizing the Confederacy and assisting it in its war against the Union.

The Emancipation Proclamation was not a universal declaration. It specifically detailed where slaves were to be freed: only in those states "in rebellion against the United States." Slaves remained slaves in states not in rebellion — such as Kentucky, Maryland, Delaware and Missouri. The hypocrisy of the Emancipation Proclamation came in for heavy criticism. Lincoln's own secretary of state, William

Seward, sarcastically said, "We show our sympathy with slavery by emancipating slaves where we cannot reach them and holding them in bondage where we can set them free."

Lincoln did articulate a view of secession that would have been heartily endorsed by the Confederacy: "Any people anywhere, being inclined and having the power, have the right to rise up and shake off the existing government and form a new one that suits them better. ... Nor is this right confined to cases in which the whole people of an existing government may choose to exercise it. Any portion of such people that can may revolutionize and make their own of so much of the territory as they inhabit." Lincoln expressed that view in an 1848 speech in the U.S. House of Representatives, supporting the war with Mexico and the secession of Texas.

Why didn't Lincoln share the same feelings about Southern secession? Following the money might help with an answer. Throughout most of our nation's history, the only sources of federal revenue were excise taxes and tariffs. During the 1850s, tariffs amounted to 90 percent of federal revenue. Southern ports paid 75 percent of tariffs in 1859. What "responsible" politician would let that much revenue go?

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WALTER WILLIAMS

EDITORIAL ROUND UP

New York Times on Pentagon moving to end transgender ban

Secretary of Defense Ashton Carter has taken an important step toward repealing the Pentagon's ban on open service by transgender troops, a discriminatory policy that has cut short the careers of talented service members and forced thousands to serve in silence.

The Pentagon is making this move nearly four years after it began allowing gay and lesbian service members to serve openly. Critics had long warned that changing that policy would weaken the armed forces and hurt morale. In fact, it has strengthened the military, just as integrating openly transgender troops will expand the talent pool of those willing to serve.

Carter announced on Monday that he has asked a group of senior Pentagon officials, led by Brad Carson, the Defense Department's acting under secretary for personnel and readiness, to study the type of guidelines and regulations needed to carry out the new policy. Once that work is completed over the next six months, officials expect that transgender people will no longer be barred from joining the military.

"We must ensure that everyone who's able and willing to serve has the full and equal opportunity to do so," Carter said in a statement. He instructed the team to "start with the presumption that transgender persons can serve openly without adverse impact on military effectiveness and readiness." While the study is underway, it is highly unlikely that the Pentagon will discharge any service members for being transgender, because Carson's office will have to approve any expulsion.

The working group will cover routine paperwork questions, like name and gender changes on personnel records, as well as more substantial issues, including medical coverage for transgender troops who transition. Officials will need to figure out how to handle cases involving transgender service members who are in occupations that are open only to men.

None of this should be hard to carry out. Several of America's closest allies have seamlessly integrated openly transgender troops in their militaries. Any doubts about their ability to serve should have been put to rest by the exemplary records of those who have begun transitioning publicly in recent months. Their powerful stories commanded the attention of senior leaders at the Pentagon.

"For both the secretary and for Brad, the personal stories have been moving ones," a senior defense official said. "They have helped shape what is otherwise an abstract concept."

In recent months, several lawmakers have also begun to press the Pentagon to allow open transgender service. And so far, there has been no public opposition to integrating transgender troops.

"The brave men and women who serve in our military should not be excluded from the rights and freedoms that they risk their lives to protect," Representative Adam Smith, of Washington, the ranking Democrat on the House Armed Services Committee, said in a statement on Monday. "It's that simple."

Carter is wise to end a policy that denigrates transgender Americans and damages national security by forcing out good troops the military needs.

"Young Americans today are more diverse, open and tolerant than past generations," Carter said last month. "And if we're going to attract the best and brightest among them to contribute to our mission of national defense, we have to ourselves be more open, diverse and tolerant, too."

Around Town

July 23, 2015

The Minden/Webster Parish NAACP Branch monthly meeting will meet at 6:30 p.m. at the Northwest 14th District Building. Membership complaint forms will be made available on site. All members and concerned citizens are encouraged to attend. For more information, contact the branch president Minister Kenneth Wallace at 371-4436.

July 24, 2015

Lakeview United Methodist Church will have Arts and Crafts on the pond. Arts and crafts vendors with home made items and food for sale will be at the pond from 5:30 until 8:30 p.m. All are invited.

July 26, 2015

Mount Comfort Baptist Church will have its annual Women's Day at 11 a.m. with Sister Barbara Doss as the speaker.

Galilee Missionary Baptist Church will have its Women's Day Program at 3 p.m. The speaker will be Minister Vanessa Braggs Reed.

Mount Pilgrim Baptist Church will have an appreciation day honoring Jamel Hartwell at 3 p.m.

Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church will have its annual men's day at 2:3 p.m. with special guest speaker the Rev. John Nash.

July 27 - 31, 2015

Rocky Springs Baptist Church will have vacation bible school daily from 3 until 6 p.m.

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August 2 - 4, 2015

Old Shongaloo Rock Church will be holding its annual Revival at 7 p.m. with the Rev. Johnny Adkins as guest speaker. At 6 p.m .Sunday, August 2, the church will have pot luck at the church prior to service. At 6 p.m .Monday, August 3, salads, sandwiches, chips and dips will be served before service. Following service Tuesday, August 4, there will be an ice cream social. For more information call Elba Haynes at 846-2306 or Barbara Haynes at 846-2888.

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NANCY’S KITCHEN

Stuffed Pizza

(In memory and honor of Jenetta Doseff)

This week's recipe was taken from one of my cookbooks titled “Holding Forth the Light.” It was printed as part of Minden First Baptist Church's 1844-1994 Sesquicentennial recognition celebration. We were not residents here at that time.

My husband and I moved from Bridge City, Texas to Minden, Louisiana in 2008 after losing our home to “Hurricane Ike” damage and flooding. Instead of rebuilding, for health reasons, we made the decision to relocate close to family and down-size to our patio home. It was a difficult move at our age but a wise and correct decision.

Soon after moving here, we joined Minden First Baptist Church; I became a member of the Faith Sunday school class and easily bonded with the class members. Jenetta Doseff, was one of those members and became known to me as a sweet, kind, and thoughtful friend.

In 2013, because of health issues, Jenetta left Minden and moved to Lafayette, Louisiana to live with her daughter and son-in-law, Lyleann and John Martinez. In the process of clearing some of Jenetta's possessions, they offered to give me her treasure trove of recipes and recipe books. I cherish her gift especially the Sesquicentennial cookbook. Sadly, Jenetta passed away in January this year.



NANCY MCWHORTER


STUFFED PIZZA (Recipe by Jan Marie Gambrell)

- 4 cups (½ lb.) sliced fresh mushrooms
- 1 cup chopped onion
- 2 Tbsp. margarine (I use butter), melted
- 4 cloves garlic, crushed (I use minced garlic from a jar)
- 2 frozen loaves (1 lb. each), thawed (available @ Brookshire's)
- 4 cups shredded mozzarella cheese, divided
- 1 cup grated Parmesan cheese, divided
- 2 tsp. garlic powder, divided
- 1 lb. cooked Italian sausage, drained (I will add/or substitute sliced Pepperoni)
- 1 cup pizza or marinara sauce
- 3 Tbsp. fresh basil

Sauté vegetables in melted butter and drain. On a lightly floured board, roll both loaves of dough into a rectangle 14” X 10” each. Place 1 loaf in a greased sheet pan. Top dough with 2 cups of the mozzarella cheese, ½ cup of the Parmesan cheese and 1 tea-spoon of the garlic powder, leaving a 1” border around the sides. Top cheese with sausage (and/or Pepperoni), mushrooms, onions, pizza sauce and basil. Sprinkle remaining 2 cups mozzarella, ½ cup grated parmesan and 1 tsp. garlic powder. Place other loaf over pizza, firmly seal bottom crust to top crust. With a sharp knife, make small slits in the top crust. Place in a preheated 375° oven and bake for 30 minutes.


I have the ingredients for this recipe but have not prepared it yet. It does sound like a KEEPER. Don't you agree?

NOTE: Since this Sesquicentennial cookbook is 21 years old, I am sure it contains many recipes from members that have either passed away or moved their membership. I do recognize some of the names of contributors.



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MLB

Bonds victorious after decade in court

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — After a nearly decade-long steroids prosecution, Barry Bonds emerged victorious Tuesday when federal prosecutors dropped what was left of their criminal case against the career home runs leader. The government's pursuit of Bonds ended quietly with a one-paragraph motion by the U.S. Department of Justice announcing Solicitor General Donald B. Verrilli Jr. will not ask the U.S. Supreme Court to review the appellate decision that overturned Bonds' obstruction of justice conviction.

A jury found the former San Francisco Giants star guilty in 2011 for giving a meandering answer to a federal grand jury in 2003 when asked whether his personal trainer gave him anything that required a syringe for self-injection. An 11-judge panel of the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals overturned that conviction in April, and the government had until Wednesday to file for a Supreme Court review.

The jury deadlocked on three counts accusing Bonds of making false statements when he denied receiving steroids or human growth hormone or any substance that required a syringe for self-injection from the trainer, Greg Anderson. The government dismissed those counts in August 2011, and the 9th Circuit barred a retrial on the obstruction charge, citing double jeopardy.

Major League Baseball had no immediate comment. The U.S. Attorney's office in San Francisco didn't immediately respond to a phone call seeking comment.

NFL

Titans, Mariota agree to deal

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Heisman Trophy winner Marcus Mariota signed with the Tennessee Titans on Tuesday, becoming the last of the NFL's first-round draft picks to finalize his deal.

The former Oregon quarterback is expected to start immediately, with the timing of the contract keeping the No. 2 overall pick on track to open the season Sept. 13 at Tampa Bay against Jameis Winston — the No. 1 overall selection from the draft.

The Titans started three quarterbacks while going 2-14 in coach Ken Whisenhunt's debut season. They were so excited about adding Mariota that Whisenhunt began tweaking his offense to fit the quarterback's skills weeks before the draft.

"I am very grateful and honored to have this opportunity," Mariota said in a statement. "I look forward to the future with my teammates, and I'm truly excited to be part of this team."

Mariota left Oregon after his redshirt junior season. In 2014, the 6-foot-4 222-pounder from Hawaii directed the most efficient offense in the country and led all quarterbacks with a 90.9 rating. Mariota threw for 4,454 yards and 42 touchdowns, while rushing for 770 yards and 15 scores. He was only intercepted four times last season.

DIXIE BASEBALL & SOFTBALL

ANGELS SOAR TO STATE TITLE

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The Minden Dixie Angels defeated Haughton 9-2 on Tuesday night in Rayville bringing home Minden's first ever Dixie softball state championship.

The Angels finished the tournament a perfect 5-0, outscoring their opponents 37-12 on their way to the title.

Minden jumped out to 1-0 lead in the bottom of the second after a pair of doubles by Sydney Robinson and Allee Spigener. In the third inning, Emma Earnhardt, Piper Stephens, and Ella Floyd added triples and Maci Tanner had a single to give Minden a 6-0 lead. Haughton answered with two runs in top of fourth, but Minden scored three more in the bottom of the fourth with doubles from Emma Pitman and Maci Tanner and a single by Piper Stephens.

Piper Stephens was outstanding for Minden in the circle, allowing just one hit and striking out 11 batters.

In addition to being state champions, the girls also brought home the sportsmanship award, voted on by umpires and tournament directors.

These girls made Minden proud and will continue to do so, as they now wait for



the start of the World Series on Saturday, August 1.

The World Series will be played in Monroe on the University of Louisiana-Monroe campus.

**AAA
Minden Nationals 9
Sabine 8**

The 9-10 year old Minden Nationals took the

North Regional championship by one run over Sabine on Tuesday night, giving them a chance to bring home Minden's third state championship of the year.

C.J. Watts homered and got the win on the mound, followed by Maddox Mandino who doubled to go

with a pair of singles. Bryce Powell also doubled, while Brandon Winston added two singles and Chase Tolbert added a base hit.

Down 8-1 in the third inning, Minden made a major comeback to earn the state championship game appearance.

Minden will take on Ville

Platte Friday in Alexandria for the first game of a three game series.

The Minden Dixie Darlings start their three game series against Jena for a state championship tonight in Pineville.

First pitch in that game is set for 6 p.m. and game two will start right after the first.

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Vikings agree to restructure Peterson's contract

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Adrian Peterson and the Minnesota Vikings agreed Tuesday to restructure the final three years of his contract, giving the six-time Pro Bowl running back \$20 million in guaranteed money.

The Vikings announced the agreement four days before players will report to training camp, clearing

away any lingering haze that surrounded their relationship with Peterson. Initially disinterested in returning to the team following his reinstatement by the NFL, Peterson softened this spring and took part in several offseason practices with the Vikings last month.

Peterson and his agent, Ben Dogra, didn't appear to

have any leverage in negotiations once Vikings general manager Rick Spielman stood firm in his intent to keep Peterson on the team rather than trade him. In a statement distributed by the Vikings, Peterson said he was pleased by the team's good-faith effort. On Twitter, he posted simply, "Amen," next to an emoji of a pair of

praying hands.

According to a person with knowledge of the situation, speaking to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity because of the confidential nature of the terms of the contract, Peterson will be guaranteed \$20 million for signing the new deal. That's the \$13 million he was previously scheduled to make this sea-

son, plus \$7 million next year to cover him in case of injury. By next March, he can make another \$5 million with a roster bonus. Peterson's salary cap hit will be a bit lower the next two seasons, but he can earn back more money with performance incentives.

Peterson will be the highest-paid running back in the league.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Fisher: Seminoles working to resolve off-field issues

PINEHURST, N.C. (AP) — With off-field issues overshadowing his program once again, Florida State coach Jimbo Fisher said Tuesday the Seminoles are "stepping up" their process of educating players about domestic violence and other issues.

Speaking during the Atlantic Coast Conference's preseason media days, Fisher said the program has started a four-step program to address problems and build on character-building exercises that have been part of FSU culture for years.

"It's like coaching," Fisher said. "What you learn: don't take anything for granted. Try to cover as many things from A to Z as you possibly can to educate — don't do this, don't do that, don't do that — to make sure you address every issue out there."

"You wouldn't think you would have to say (don't hit a woman), but you do. And we'll continue to do that and we'll do it even in a greater force now

to educate our guys about not doing it and how to avoid those situations totally. And hopefully they'll listen."

Running back Dalvin Cook has been suspended from the team indefinitely after it was alleged that he punched a woman outside a Tallahassee bar, which subsequently led to him being charged. That news came not long after freshman quarterback DeAndre Johnson was kicked off the team after video showed him punching a woman in the face in a bar.

"I don't think what's happening at Florida State is relative to Florida State," Fisher said. "It's happening all over this country. We get more attention of it because of the success of our program and I understand it. That's part of winning."

Johnson was not expected to be a key contributor for the Seminoles in 2015, but Cook is considered one of the top running backs in America. He set a FSU freshman record with

1,008 yards last season on 170 carries, with eight touchdowns.

Fisher said he could not comment on the Cook case specifically until the legal process plays out and facts are revealed, though did say he has not considered dismissing Cook from the team at this point.

"It's a shame that we had the instance we had," Fisher said, referring to Johnson. "The young man was a tremendous guy. Never been in trouble in his life, but he made a bad choice."

Fisher spent roughly the first 20 minutes of his hour-long interview session with print reporters at the ACC Kickoff event answering questions about off-field issues.

He said FSU recently had a five-hour seminar focused on domestic violence, including role-playing exercises.

"We spend over 40 days a year on different, varying things from drugs, alcohol, those things," Fisher said. "But again, when you see that that's not enough, you continue to improve and expand what you have for your kids."



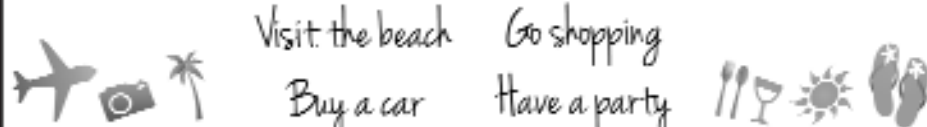
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Rodgers invited to future stars showcase



Minden High freshman Shuntorri "Bre" Rodgers has been selected to attend the Future Stars USA Basketball showcase in Augusta, Ga. on July 28. This showcase is an invitation only camp consisting of the Top 100 players in the United States. Rodgers is Louisiana's lone representative.

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Cosby, in public and in private: A look back

In the 1970s, Bill Cosby created "Fat Albert and the Cosby Kids," a Saturday-morning cartoon series based loosely on his Philadelphia childhood that promoted good behavior and morality.

The comedian's private life around the same time was at odds with his squeaky-clean public image. As Cosby himself acknowledged decades later, the married man obtained quaaludes to give to women he wanted to have sex with.

The gap between the public Cosby, the long-time role model and moralist, and the private Cosby, the philanderer fighting accusations he drugged and sexually assaulted women, is what prompted a federal judge this month to unseal parts of the entertainer's 2005-06 deposition in a sexual abuse lawsuit.

Cosby, 78, denies his accusers' assault accusations, most of which were made long after the statute of limitations had expired, and has not been charged with a crime.

Here is a look at Cosby's career and persona through the decades, stacked up against what his accusers say he did behind closed doors.

1960s

In public: Cosby dropped out of college to pursue a career in stand-up, releasing several best-selling albums whose PG-rated observational comedy drew heavily on his childhood. Then, after a star turn in the groundbreaking TV show "I Spy," he played an upstanding high school gym teacher in NBC's short-lived "The Bill Cosby Show."

In private: Joan Tarshis alleges Cosby drugged and assaulted her in 1969, when she was 19.

1970s

In public: In addition to creating "Fat Albert" and supplying some of the characters' voices, Cosby starred in "The Electric Company," an educational TV show for children. He also appeared in the first of countless Jell-O commercials with adorable kids. He returned to school and got a doctorate in education.

In private: At least two women say Cosby drugged and



assaulted them. A third says Cosby forced her to perform a sex act on him in the Playboy Mansion in 1974, when she was 15. In the deposition that became public in recent days, Cosby acknowledged he used quaaludes in the '70s "the same as a person would say, 'Have a drink.'" He denied giving the party drug to women without their knowledge.

1980s

In public: Cosby released the acclaimed film "Bill Cosby: Himself," which focused on the trials and tribulations of raising children. Then came the debut of his biggest hit and the nation's No. 1 sitcom, "The

Cosby Show." His portrayal of Dr. Cliff Huxtable — sweater-wearing obstetrician and playful, doting and wise father of five — cemented his image as America's Dad.

Away from "The Cosby Show" set, Cosby, who always worked clean, chided Eddie Murphy for his foul-mouthed comedy, as recounted by Murphy in his 1987 stand-up film "Raw."

In private: At least eight women, including model Janice Dickinson, say Cosby drugged and sexually assaulted them, or made unwanted sexual advances.

2000s

In public: President George W.

Bush awarded Cosby the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the nation's highest civilian honor, for having "used the power of laughter to heal wounds and to build bridges." In 2004, Cosby delivered what became known as the "pound cake" speech, lamenting social dysfunction in urban black neighborhoods, criticizing single motherhood and saggy pants, and accusing some blacks of squandering opportunities made possible by the civil rights movement. He later toured the country talking to young black men and women about morals and responsibility.

In private: Temple University basketball administrator Andrea Constand says Cosby drugged

and sexually assaulted her at his suburban Philadelphia mansion in 2004. In the deposition he gave as part of a lawsuit settled in 2006, Cosby said that he gave Constand the cold medicine Benadryl and that they had consensual sexual contact. A prosecutor declined to file charges, saying there wasn't enough evidence.

Another accuser, model Chloe Goins, came forward this year to report that Cosby drugged and sexually abused her at the Playboy Mansion in 2008. Cosby's lawyer has said he wasn't at the mansion on the night in question. Her accusation is under investigation by California authorities.

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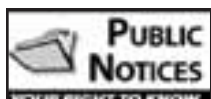
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Successful bid will be presented to the Webster Parish School Board at the next scheduled board meeting for acceptance.

The Webster Parish School Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

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LCTCS Facilities Corporation BID - BUILD SERVICES W A N T E D

Applications for General Contractor Statement of Qualifications for the following project will be accepted until 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 11, 2015. Responses to the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) must be submitted according to the requirements listed in the RFQ. Interested firms must obtain an official RFQ package via email from Ms. Jamie Richard, Project Coordinator, CSRS, Inc., Email: JRichard@csrsonline.com. This includes all correspondence regarding this RFQ.

ONLY THOSE FIRMS THAT HAVE OBTAINED THE OFFICIAL RFQ PACKAGE FROM CSRS, INC. WILL BE CONSIDERED BY LCTCS FACILITIES CORPORATION.

LATE OR INCOMPLETE SUBMISSIONS MAY NOT BE ACCEPTED.

Project Description: Bid-Build Services for the Louisiana Delta Community College Technology and Career Program Training Center, located in Winnsboro, Louisiana.

Applications shall be delivered or mailed to: LCTCS Facilities

Corporation c/o CSRS, Inc. Attn: Mr. Steve Jones, Project Manager 6767 Perkins Road, Suite 200 Baton Rouge, LA 70808 Ph: (225) 769-0546 Fx: (225) 767-0060

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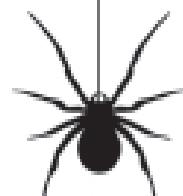
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1 Shell-game need	appetizer	1 West Point freshman	12 Beezer
4 Whale group	26 Let the cat out of the bag	2 Member of nobility	14 It gets in the whey
7 Family	27 Perch	3 It's nothing new	15 Heavy weight
8 Less believable, as an excuse	28 Baby's ailment	4 Stares	19 Underwear with underwire
10 With eyes wide open	30 Commo-tion	5 Lifeless, old-style	20 Science workshop
11 Islands near Portugal	33 Tina Turner hit	6 TV mogul Griffin	21 Dens
13 Govern-ment official	36 Injure	7 Finger-print, often	22 Increase
16 Links prop	37 Doha's country	8 "Star Wars" weapon	23 Lost traction
17 Search	38 Knock—	9 Hole-shaping tool	24 Rhesus monkey
18 Cattle call?	39 Fairy tale preposi-tion		25 1/6 fl. oz.
19 Perry Mason portrayer	40 Screw up		26 Run, as colors
20 Ponce de —	41 Always, in verse		28 Supply the food
21 Enticed			29 Different
23 Clever			30 Thespian
			31 Campus bigwig
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			34 Barn-roof attach-ment
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