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El Prado, NM, 4/11/97
SNOW, SNOW, and MORE SNOW
Spring hasn't sprung
Winter hasn't went

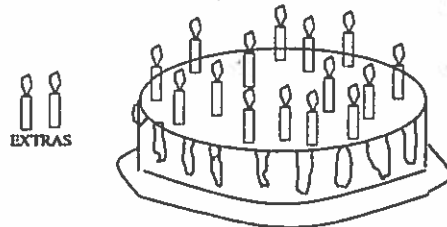
We got up this morning to about an inch or so of snow with more still falling. The world is beautifully white, -- we are looking forward to a beautifully green world. The first winter we were here, our last snow was on the 29th of May. HINT: If you are coming this way, remember it is winter here.

We had some beautiful weather a week or so ago, -- up in the sixties during the day, -- birds looking for nesting sites, prairie dogs chasing each other, ants working furiously, fruit trees in bloom -- then WHAM, the temperature dropped to 16 degrees.

I have a full page letter from nephew Ken Vycital which I will make part of this issue. Thank you Ken for typing it so I can put it in without retyping. He included with it a blurb on Hale-Bopp's comet which I will include if there is room.

I will include a clipping from the Star Herald about Nell's visit to WBC.

No, Anne, I couldn't put it in!!



HAPPY
BIRTHDAY

MAY BIRTHDAYS

4 Ina Hall

5 Amamda Mondy

7 Opal June Duffer

11 Vicki Roberts

17 Alma Thomas

FROM BESSIE AND BERTHA

(4/5/97) Happy Birthday celebration to you, Harrison (and don't forget that I am not far behind you). Thank you, Judy Washburn, for inviting Bertha and me to Harrison's party. We would love to come so we could meet some of the Chronicle members that we have never met and would love to see the ones we have met again.

Things have not been very good for us here in Springfield. On March 21st, my Son-in-law, Dick, (my oldest daughter, Sue's husband) went to be with our Lord. Two days after the funeral, my daughter, Dolly, had a bad asthma attack and was in hospital for five days. She is doing quite well now and will be able to return to work in a few days. On April 2nd, Grandson Steve's home caught fire but the family got out safely for which we are so happy. There was lots of damage to their home and out-building because of the fire, smoke, and water. J.E. is back in the hospital again, same old thing. (Just

couldn't stay away from those nurses, eh Jay?) Okay, so it was the doctor's orders. So hurry up and get home, -r Kati will take good care of you.

We had some pretty weather for a few days and everything is blooming out real good; even the weeds are growing fast and the dandelions are pretty until they get that fuzzy grey head. I mowed my lawn again on Thursday and noticed that I had little wood violets blooming here and there among the dandelions. But the rains came on Thursday night and it rained all day Friday and is still raining today. The temperature is in the 70's today but by Monday it is predicted that it will go down to the low thirties. So much for the weather here in the beautiful Ozarks.

Bertha and I are doing pretty well. The ball games are starting and we will be watching them in our spare time. We haven't done much outside yet and we haven't planted any flowers, but by the first of May we expect to have everything under control and will start preparations for our annual trip to Pocahontas, visiting the cemeteries along the way.

We have a wedding to attend on the 18th of April; Elza's granddaughter is going married.

We hope all of you are well. We do enjoy all of your letters in the Chronicle. Harrison, drink an extra glass of punch or whatever for Bertha and me and have a Happy Birthday. Love to all, Bessie and Bertha.

FROM DENA HOUSTON

(Winona, MO, 3/17/97)

I guess you have all been staring at the TV screen or the newspapers to see the devastation brought about by Nature (tornados) and the flooding of the Ohio and other rivers. I was caught in West Plains when darkness set in (and I do mean darkness) I headed for Willow Springs to get back to Mountain View, MO. and ended up in the middle of two storms. The storms were not gentle, but compared to what Arkadelphia and other areas in Arkansas received, these were little lambs.

My Aunt and Uncle and a cousin were caught in the one that hit Jacksonport. They were near Sedgewick, AR and my brother, Delbert and wife were in Hoxie, AR. attending their daughter Lindsey's district play off games. They were all lined up in the hall waiting for the storm to pass. What a terrible way for March to begin, right?

(3/25) Today it is cooler. A cold front moved through Winona last night. It's going to warm up again, they say.

Did you and Margaret get invited to the Oscars? I'd like to wear some of the jewelry they rent out for the big night. One of them had a lot of diamonds and emeralds and I said to myself, "Now I could live with that".

Black river was down, I noticed, when I went to Paragould on Friday. Farmers had some fields disked, others were working on their equipment, getting ready.

Had an Easter card from Ocena Williams, today. She was teacher and librarian at Pocahontas High and her husband, "Doc" Williams was the principal. Both had lens transplants in their left eyes and are doing okay.

I believe I am having an early bout with Old Arthur and I'm not crazy about him. I just began having pains in my joints (worse than in previous years) and it hurts. My skin is a little tingly, also. I have a low blood count (9.5) and it may be lower. I'm borderline anemic and am on iron and B12. I'm so worn out all the time and have trouble making myself do anything. [Join the club, Dena.] And I'm just turning 40 on the First of July -- just a toddler, eh??? [Just half my age.]

Niece Heather had her baby, a boy, Hunter Michael. She was only 31 weeks along and he weighed only 2 pounds, 8 oz. She had toxemia and the doctors decided to induce labor before it became worse. Love to all, Dena.

Some one said: "The mind is a wonderful thing. It starts working the minute you are born and never stops until you get up to make a public speech.

Dr. Monday visits WBC

Dr. Nell Mondy of Ithaca, N.Y., has been present this week for the dedication of the Mondy - Carroll Lectureship at Williams Baptist College, Walnut Ridge.

Dr. Mondy is professor emerita of nutritional science, food science and toxicology at Cornell University in Ithaca. She has been on the faculty at Cornell for more than 40 years. She is a summa cum laude graduate of Ouachita Baptist University with both bachelor of science and bachelor of arts degrees in chemistry. She holds a master's degree in biochemistry from Texas University and a doctorate in biochemistry from Cornell.

The Mondy - Carroll Lectureship at Williams Baptist College is made possible by an endowment from Dr. Mondy, who established the lecture series in memory of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Mondy, her cousin, Bill Carroll, and deceased cousins who lived their lives in the Pocahontas and Walnut Ridge area.

Other cousins who are honored with this lectureship are Lorrell Haynes Withers (1922 - 1991); Houston H. Mondy (1920 - 1954); James D. Mondy (1922 - 1995); Jessie Mondy Thornton (1919 - 1995); and Alma Lee Mondy Vycital (1925 - 1990).

Dr. Mondy's father, Daley D. Mondy (1889 - 1924), was a successful school teacher. Known for his mathematical skills, he served two elected terms as Randolph County tax assessor. At the time of his death he was the owner and operator of the largest restaurant in Pocahontas.

Her mother, Ethel Carroll Mondy (1889 - 1972), was a Bible scholar and an expert gardener. She taught Bible classes at First Baptist Church in Pocahontas and later at First Baptist Church of Ithaca. She was employed by the *Pocahontas Star Herald* for about 20 years. She left Pocahontas in 1943 to follow her daughter, Nell, to Texas and then New York.

Dr. Mondy's cousin and classmate, Bill Carroll (1921 - 1990), lived in Pocahontas most of his life. He was owner - publisher of the *Pocahontas Star Herald* from 1963 - 73 and mayor of Pocahontas from 1976 - 80. A noted contractor, he built some of the finer structures in Pocahontas.

Dr. Mondy joined members of the Williams faculty, the Mondy and Carroll families, and others at a banquet Monday evening, hosted by College President Jerol Swaim and Williams College in Mabee - Gwinup Cafeteria.

The banquet was followed by the program dedicating the lectureship in Maddox Fine Arts Center.

Invocation was by Aaron Epps, a sophomore, pre-medicine major. Welcome and History of the Lec-

tureship was given by Swaim. Introduction of the lecturer was by Henry Tillinghast, associate professor of biology at Williams. The speaker, Dr. Raymond Bloomer Jr. lectured on "Modern Science and the Shroud of Turin."

Dr. Bloomer is professor of physics and astronomy at King College in Bristol, Tenn. He holds a bachelor's degree from The Citadel and M.S. and Ph. D. degrees from the University of Florida.

During 20 years as a career officer, Dr. Bloomer rose to the rank of lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Air Force. He served his early years as a physicist in the optical components branch of the Air Force Weapons Laboratory in New Mexico. Later, he joined the faculty of the U.S. Air Force Academy where he attained the positions of professor of physics, director of research and deputy department head. While he was at the academy, the physics department studied the Shroud of Turin.

The program was closed by a presentation by Alyce A. McHaney, chair of the Department of Natural Sciences at Williams.

JESSIE ANN PEMBERTON TO UNDERGO RADIATION TREATMENT

Noal called me last night just as I was putting the Chronicle to bed to give me an update on Jessie. She went into the hospital the week-end of April 6 for a colonostomy but was kept for further tests and observation. After multitudinous tests, scans, and other observations, the doctors discovered a vaginal tumor which was found to be malignant. The six doctors concerned were unanimous in their decision that the malignancy had not spread and decided not to remove the tumor but to treat it with radiation. The treatment begins next Monday with daily radiation for five days (Monday through Friday) for five weeks.

This is the extent of my knowledge at present but I will keep you up-to-date as her treatment progresses.

Noal requests your prayers.

4/4/97 - 9:00 p.m.

Dear Uncle Harrison,

I just thought I would report in. Brian is having a sleep-over with a couple of his friends tonight. They have been eating since they got here - pizza, popcorn, soda pop, etc - regular eating machines. Now that the kids are getting older, we seem to have more people living here. Often at supper I have more faces than chairs, and I always fix a little extra food. Their friends are real easy to please or at least polite and eat whatever we are having. I run a help yourself style house but I can't quite get use to finding a stranger looking for food in my refrigerator. I think at times there must be a sign somewhere advertising free food. Their friends are well behaved and like I said, polite, so I don't mind them hanging around.

Everyone is well now. Dad has gotten over his case of pneumonia, Brian's turf toe is getting better, I'm better after getting the flu, Katie is going to be alright after running face first into a wall, and Emily is victorious over her allergies so far this year. Emily is using the allergy treatment that slowly introduces what she is allergic to into her system until she builds an immunity to the pollens. We started some months back now and as the allergy season begins for us here she is doing real well. There is no runny nose, waterery eyes, or the other things that she is usually plagued with at this time of year.

We watched the Hale-Bopp comet as many nights as we could. We especially enjoyed the night when you could see the comet, Mars, and the Lunar eclipse all at once. We used binoculars to watch with and were in awe of such wonderful sights. I would say that it seems impossible that anyone could view such things and not believe in God, but then you hear of those people in California. For me it is hard to believe the things that they believed. I am a skeptic from the word go. I don't think there are aliens (at least as they are being presented) and I don't believe in UFOs. I guess I will have to be abducted before I am convinced. According to tonight's news, Phoenix is a hot spot for sightings so who knows.

This year's weather has been strange. Right now it is raining and about 57° out. Mind you I'm not complaining. The hot weather will be here soon enough. I like the weather about the 89° mark. The longer it is cool, the better I like it.

Your comment about the sealing of Christ's tomb interested me. Indeed, it may have been the only tomb sealed at that time (See Matt. 27:51-53). The Jews wanted to be sure that he was dead and that it could not be said that someone had stolen the body or that he was not dead before being taken off the cross (See Matt. 27:62 - 64). I would go so far as to advance the theory that because of the open graves, that there is the possibility that there were many people in the grave yard guarding their relative's graves from wild animals and that any tampering with Christ's tomb would have been noticed immediately, not withstanding the Roman guard.

Well, I'd had better check to see everyone has a bed. Will write later.

Love, Ken