Fate of company's lumber facility remains undecided

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L-P moving forward with new OSB plant

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It's full speed ahead for con- struction of the Louisiana Pacific Cor- poration's second strand board plant here. Officials with the company are confident that the Panola County facility will be in operation by the end of the year as part of Industrial Appreciation Week.

Serving as guest speaker during the groundbreaking event from New Orleans, L-P vice president division operations execu- tive, Frank Dentson, emphasized the commitment of the company to the Panola County site.

"This project is very important to us because it will not only help our company grow but will also provide employment opportunities for the local community," Dentson said.

The groundbreaking ceremony was held Wednesday morning at the site of the future plant. The ceremony was attended by family, friends, and officials from Panola County and surrounding areas.

Dentson announced that the new plant will reportedly produce 500,000 cubic feet of OSB per year.

"We are very excited about this project," Dentson said. "It will be a significant boost to the local economy and will create many job opportunities."
Days Gone By

Ann Morris

Last week, the 95-year-old Conover woman was given a Star of David in a ceremony at the Kehilat Israel Synagogue on Main Street.

Sparks of Light - The story of a survivor.

Schieffer to serve as missionary in Australia

Linda Schieffer, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Schieffer, a student of Texas A&M University in Fort Worth, will serve as a missionary in Australia.

ETBU to hold annual graduation ceremony

ETBU President of Teachers for Teacher Education of Teachers, Dr. J. Cooper, will be the keynote speaker of the 70th prospective graduates. It is a major milestone in the history of the school.

Carthage Locker Plant

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A Memorial Day Salute To Our Armed Forces

In tribute to those brave servicemen and women who gave their lives for their country, we will be closed on Memorial Day, Monday, May 27.
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GOOD LUCK IN THE REGIONALS

Girls softball first fastpitch tournament

The Panola County Girls Softball Association will be holding the first fastpitch tournament on May 20 and 21 at Carthage. The tournament will be held at 8 a.m. and will run until 5 p.m. The public is invited to come out and cheer on local teams.

East Texas Girls Softball Association

If you would like to enter a team, send your entry to Mickey Tipton at 1107 W. Washington. There are 16 teams currently registered, and the tournament will be held in Carthage.

Election slated for girls softball

The Panola County Girls Softball Association will be holding an election for officers for the 2000-2001 season. The election will take place on May 19 at 10 a.m., and the winners will be announced at the same time.

For more information, contact Mickey Tipton at 1107 W. Washington.
Book club holds final meeting of year

The final 1995-96 meeting of the
Book Club was held May 15. Wilma Simms of the pro-
grame said the club's members
enjoyed the books and authors discussed
and offered a sharing session of the
year's reading and opinions.

President Price introduced
the new members of the club:
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Donald, Karen Duke, John
Smith, and Mrs. Smith. She
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Mrs. John Smith, who read from her
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Commencement Exercises will be
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