



Sophie Broaddus and Chelsey Strand hold letter that Edna Green's class sent to a publishing company.

Summit Third-Grade Class Detects Error in Reading Book

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It was a regular day in Edna Green's third-grade class at Summit School. Class members were spending time reading about Arthur Mitchell in their African-American booklet "Leading the Way."

Suddenly an excited Sophie Broaddus shouted: "Ms. Green, there's a typo."

Sophie and Chelsey Strand discovered that in the second paragraph of the article, Mitchell's first name had been misspelled. It was spelled "Authur."

Green asked the class what they should do, and they responded by telling her that a letter should be sent to the company to alert them of the mistake. A book for children should never have errors, they told their teacher.

So Sophie and Chelsey led

the rest of the class to the computer and the group drafted a letter, signed it and sent it off to Continental Press in New York City, which published the book.

The students are still waiting for a reply.

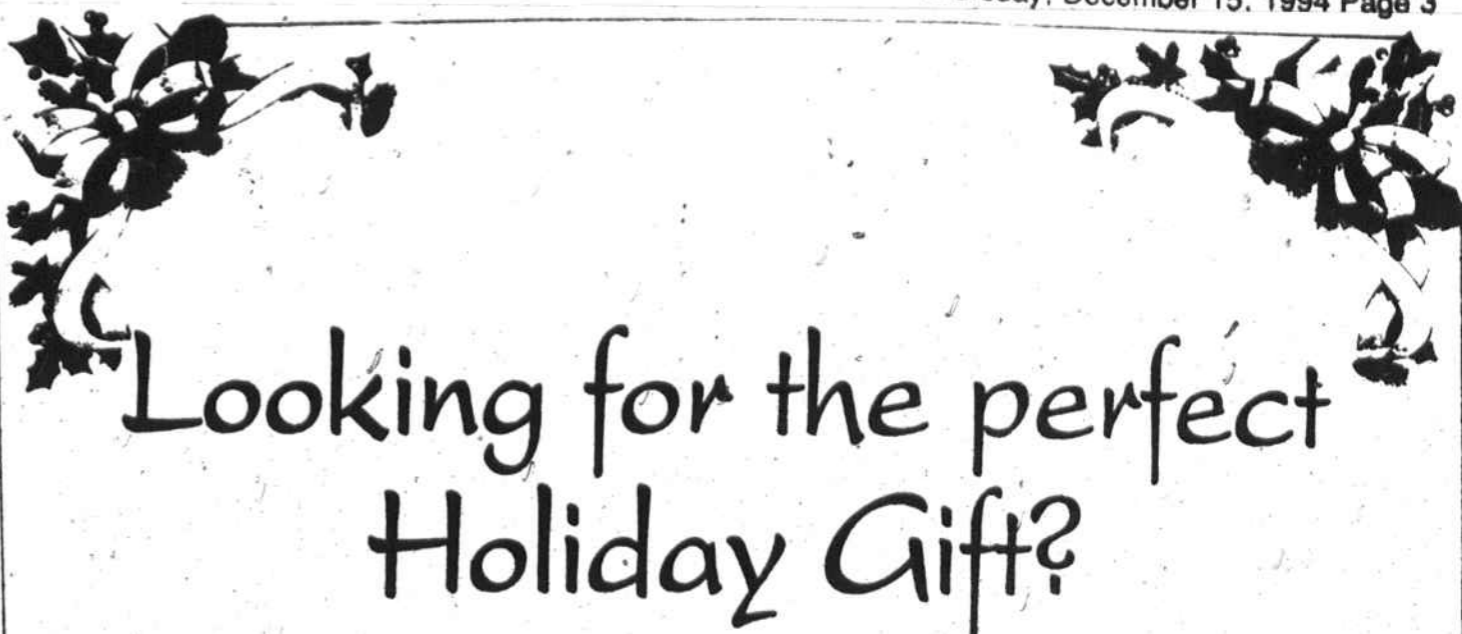
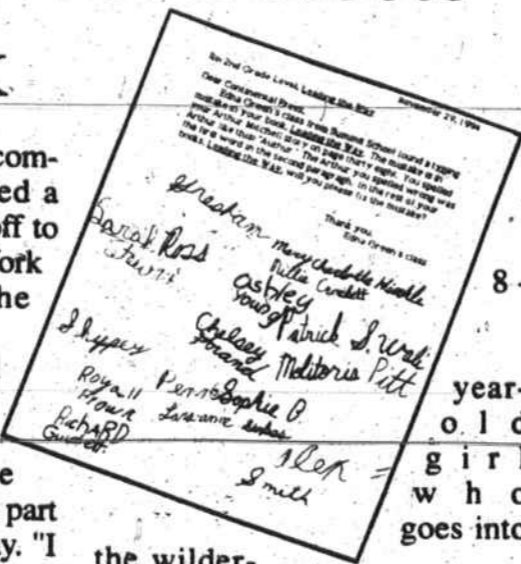
Green's students have sharp reading skills because reading and writing is a big part of their school day every day. "I think it's important that they read and write," Green said.

The students have already read four novels, and Green used the Cooperated Integrated Reading Comprehension Curriculum (CIRC). This calls for students to read silently, out loud and with a partner. The students also do a lot of writing about what they read. All the novels read have won the Newberry Award.

Some of the titles the children read are *The Courage of Sarah Noble*. Sarah Noble is an

the wild-
erness to build a
house with her father. Green
said she chose the book because
Sarah Noble is the age of most
of her students and they read it
because they were studying pion-
eer unit.

How to Eat Fried Worms is a popular title and students get to try the dish as a treat for reading the book. Currently, the class is reading *The Whipping Boy* and will read *The Hundred Dresses*, *How to be a Perfect Person in Three Days* and *Search for Delicious*.



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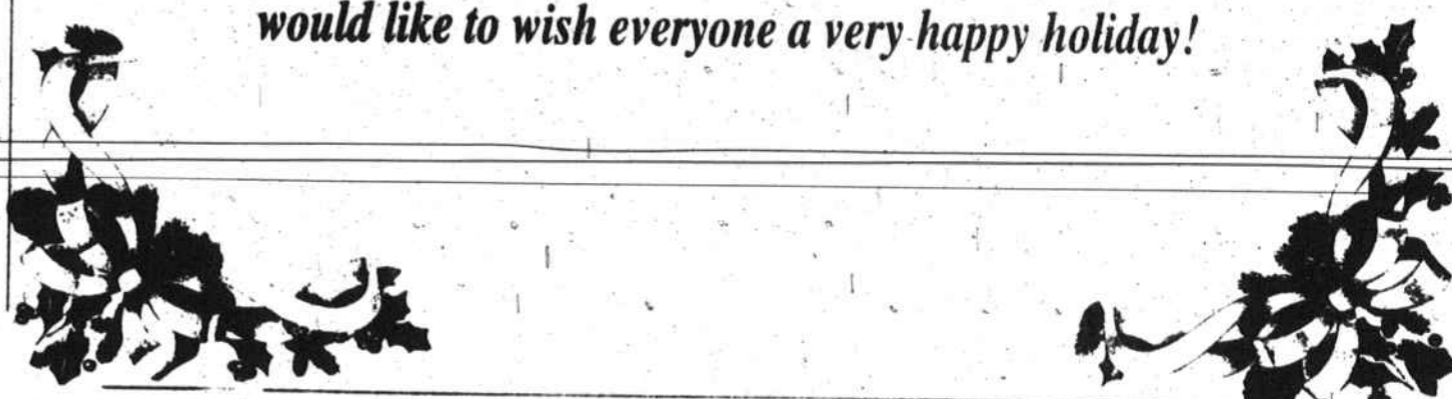
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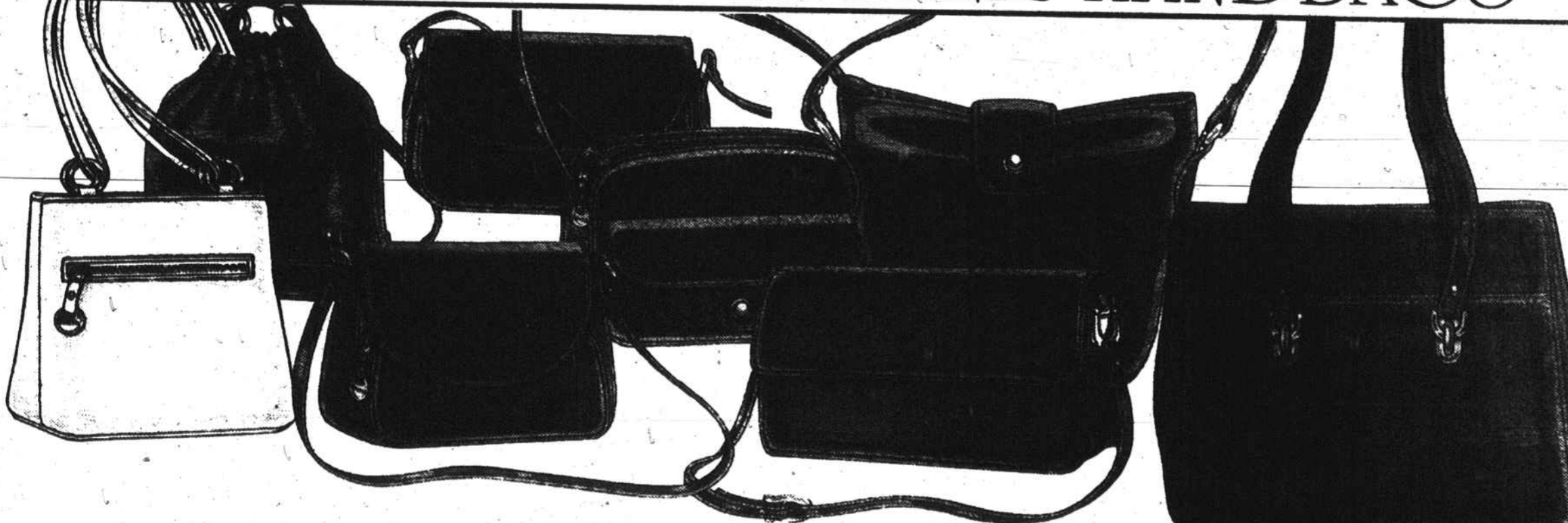
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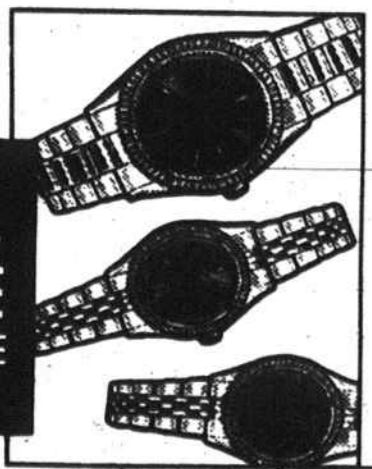
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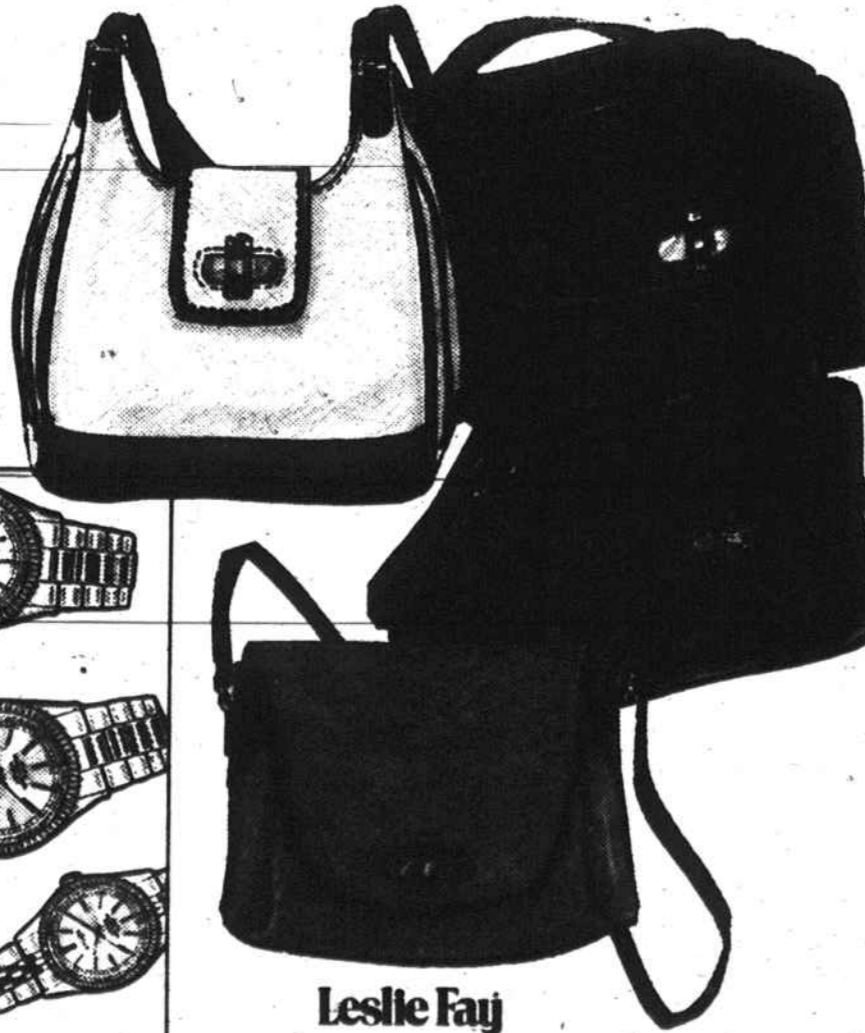


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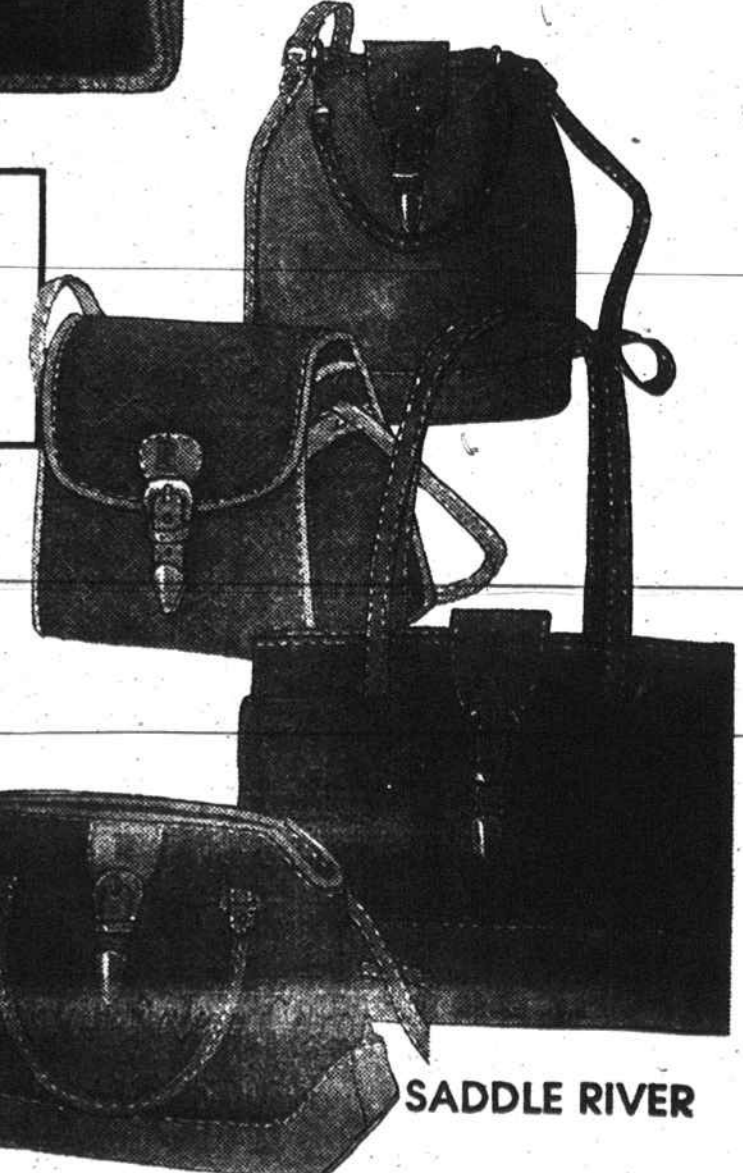
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