

Feed Lot Meeting February 1

A feed lot meeting will be held February 1 at 7:00 p.m. in the Silverton School Cafeteria sponsored by Plainview Production Credit Association and the First State Bank of Silverton. Sam Thomas of the agricultural department of Southwestern Public Service Company, will be the guest speaker. All farmers, ranchers and other interested persons are invited to attend.

Applications Being Taken For Lions Camp For Crippled Children

Applications for a summer vacation full of fun for handicapped children in the Silverton area are now being accepted by members of the Silverton Lions Club. This unique Texas Lions Camp for Crippled Children at Kerrville will open its first two-weeks session Sunday, June 3, 1973. Five sessions will be held this summer for youngsters from seven through sixteen years of age. The camp is free to eligible blind, deaf, mute or crippled children. All requests for summer camp are handled locally by Lions. For more detailed information about the camp, you are urged to contact Keith Marshall or the Silverton Lions Club, Phone 823-3081. In the past years, Lions have sent over 14,000 youngsters to the Texas Lions Camp for Crippled Children at Kerrville.

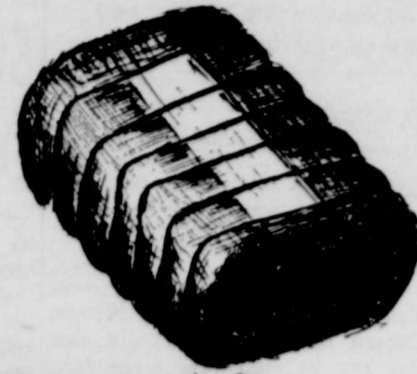
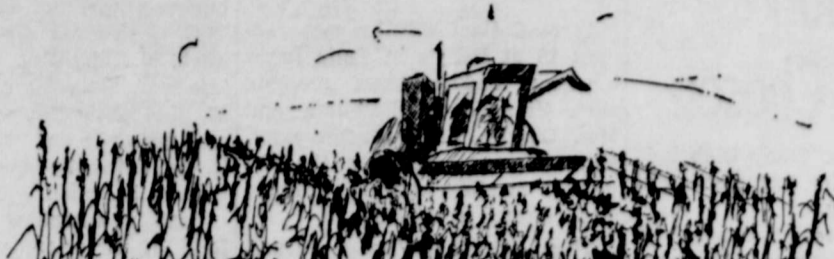
McGowen Services Held Thursday

Funeral services for Richard Lynn McGowen, 55, who died about 2:00 p.m. Monday in an Amarillo hospital, were conducted at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, January 25, in the Sunnyside Baptist Church at Sunnyside. The Rev. Mack Turner, pastor, officiated. Burial was in West Park Cemetery at Hereford by Parsons-Ellis-Singleton Funeral Home of Earth. Mr. McGowen had been a patient at Veterans Administration Hospital in Amarillo for about two weeks. Born in Motley County, Mr. McGowen moved to Springlake from Sunnyside. He was a farmer. Survivors include his wife, Gerene, of the home; three daughters, Jolene, Peggy and Carolyn, all of the home; five sons, Danny of the U. S. Army in West Germany, and Ronnie, Roy, Gaylen and Tommy, all of the home; two sisters, Mrs. Dyke McMurray of Dumas and Mrs. Nena Loudermilk of Silverton. Mr. McGowen has a number of relatives in this area.

Money Loaned For Ag. Production Climbed In 1972

Amount of money loaned for agricultural production climbed in the area served by Plainview Production Credit Association in 1972, according to Mabry Greenhaw, manager of the PCA's Silverton office. Greenhaw said his association loaned more than \$187 million to farmers and ranchers in an eight county area, an increase of almost 17% over the \$160 million recorded by the PCA in 1971. Plainview PCA is one of 33 similar Texas associations which collectively in 1972 extended more than \$1 billion in short and intermediate term credit to more than 16,500 stockholders. This was the first time in PCA's 40-year history that the associations surpassed the \$1 billion figure in one year, Greenhaw pointed out. Plainview PCA makes loans in Bailey, Briscoe, Castro, Floyd, Hale, Lamb, Parmer and Swisher counties. The organization is owned and operated by local farmers and ranchers who are member-stockholders. Mrs. Jack Robertson and her daughter, Stacy, have both been patients in Central Plains Hospital in Plainview this week.

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Mrs. Lynn Frizzell, treasurer of the L. O. A. Junior Study Club, made the presentation of a check for \$754.00, representing the proceeds of the club's Christmas Greeting Page, to the City of Silverton last week. Accepting the check, which will be used for City Park improvement, was City Secretary Jerry Patton.

Owls Take Two Wins From McLean

Both the varsity and junior varsity Owls took wins from McLean in basketball action last Friday night. Randy Clay led the junior varsity with 12 points as the Owls walloped the Tiger junior varsity 35-17. Barry Bullock put up nine points, Brett Gill scored six, Marshall Rauch and Tim Marshall put in four points each. Heasley led McLean with eight points. Owl JV 6 15 24 35 McLean JV 4 8 14 17 Led by the 26-point scoring power of John Minyard, the Owl varsity roared to a 64-46 victory over the Tigers. Craig Culwell came through with 16 points and Terry Culwell put in 14 more. Barry Francis added six points and Ken Wood rang up two. Joe Riley led the Tigers with 22 points. Owls 13 27 47 64 McLean 14 22 38 46

Insurance Protection Available for 73 Crop

With production costs rising and the margin of profit growing smaller, the business of farming is becoming more rather than less risky. Each year, with each crop, there is more at stake. Even in good years, some farmers have serious crop losses taking away a prime source of income and forcing their farming operations deeper in debt or digging into past profits. Mr. Rex Spake and Mr. L. H. Terrell, field representatives for the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation from the county office at Lubbock, say insurance protection is now available on 1973 cotton and grain sorghum in the county to help guarantee a cash return at harvest. In 1971, insured farmers in Briscoe County received more than \$33,000 in crop losses. The losses that were paid were due to freeze. Insured farmers receiving the money were greatly assisted in meeting their financial obligations despite losing their crops. Farmers are using Federal Crop Insurance not only to protect crop

Seniors To Present Play Here February 9

The Senior Class of Silverton High School is proud to announce that their play, "A' Feudin' Over Yonder," will be presented Friday, February 9. The first presentation will be at 1:30 Friday afternoon. Admission will be 25c for students in the first through the eighth grades and 50c for students in high school. The play will be presented again at 7:30 Friday night. The second performance will be open to the public with admission of \$1.25 for adults and 75c for children under 12. This play is rich in backwoods mountain humor. The plot revolves around the Popoff family and the Fry family who have been feuding for years because one of the Popoff boys accidentally shot Paw Fry. Characters are Mountain Maggie, Rhonda Sutton; Maw Fry, Pam Hutsell; Emmy Fry, Kaedean Bonmar; Izzie Fry, John Minyard; Clem Fry, Terry Culwell; Rosie Belle Fry, Karen Tiffin; Aunt Hairy Hornhonker, Freeda Henderson; Becky Mae Hornhonker, Jana Futch; Willy Hornhonker, Stan Martin; Pappy Popoff, Mikel Grady; Zeke Popoff, Derrel Martin; Travellin' Preacher, Mark Hutsell; Wedding Guests, Rita Anderson, Debbie Cantwell, Cris Gill; Piano Player, Tim Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. McGavock To Be Honored Sunday

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. (Bill) McGavock will be honored from 2:30 until 4:00 o'clock Sunday afternoon, February 4, at the Tullia Nursing Home where they both now reside. The occasion will be their birthdays and the Sixtieth Anniversary of their marriage. The party is being hosted by their children, who have extended a cordial invitation to Silverton friends and relatives to attend the affair.

investment dollars, but to strengthen credit, to reduce specialization risks, to aid in long-term financing of expansion programs and to allow maximum use of operating capital. Complete details about the insurance program, sponsored by the U. S. Department of Agriculture, may be obtained at no obligation by contacting Mr. Spake or Mr. Terrell. They may be reached through the Federal Crop Insurance County Office, 1205 Texas Avenue, Room 214, in Lubbock or by calling 806/747-3711, Ext. 627 or 628.

ED THOMAS DIES IN VALLEJO, CALIFORNIA

Word was received here Saturday, January 27 of the death of Ed Thomas at Vallejo, California. A frequent visitor here, he was a cousin of Mrs. Glenn Smith, Mrs. Ted Hester, Grover and Sonny Thomas, Silverton; Buck Thomas, Tullia; Inez Phillips, Lockney; Mattie Shockley, Memphis; Ida Mae Hardin, San Diego, California, and Mrs. Josephine Johnston, Quitaque.

Oxy - Acetylene Welding Course To Be Held Here February 12-15

An oxy-acetylene welding short course for adult farmers will be held February 12-15 under the sponsorship of the Silverton High School Vocational Agriculture Department, according to O. C. Rampley, superintendent, and Monroe Gates, teacher of vocational agriculture. Mr. Yeates holds a B. S. degree from Texas A&M University in agricultural education. He taught vocational agriculture and farm shop for 15 years. For two years he was employed in industry as a professional welder. In 1962 he joined the Agricultural Education Specialist Program as Oxy-Acetylene Welding Specialist, conducting short courses for adult and young farmer groups over the state. Mr. Yeates recently completed a workshop on hard-facing conducted by industry personnel from Whittier, California. The adult short courses conducted by Mr. Yeates have all been outstanding successes according to Walter Labay, area supervisor of vocational agriculture, Plainview, Texas. Arrangements for the adult education short courses in welding and in other fields are made through Mr. Labay's office. The short course at Silverton is scheduled to begin February 12 at 8:00 p.m. in the vocational agriculture building. Other meetings in the series will be held February 13-14-15. During the dates the short course is in progress, Mr. Yeates will be available to assist farmers with individual problems and to provide on-the-farm instruction, according to Mr. Gates. Farmers interested in attending the short course should write or call the superintendent of schools, Mr. Rampley, or the teacher of vocational agriculture, Mr. Gates. An entry fee of \$10.00 will be charged. Oxy-acetylene welding short course certificates are to be presented to each enrollee who attends all the training sessions. Mr. Yeates stated that the short course will be adjusted to wishes and interests of the farmers enrolled but that he expects to cover such subjects as safety in oxy-acetylene welding, factors controlled

by the operator in oxy-acetylene welding, choosing and adjusting torch flames, types of welding rods, ☆ ☆ ☆



CHARLES H. YEATES

preparation of joints, distortion, cutting and hard-surfacing. Short courses in welding, as well as in other areas, are now available to farmers throughout the state under a cooperative program between the Texas Education Agency and Texas A&M University. This cooperative program is designed to make the services of specialists available to conduct short courses under the supervision of public schools. Such a program will enable teachers of vocational agriculture to provide improved educational services to farm people. Specialists are now available in the fields of beef cattle, farm electric wiring and safety, farm electric motors, farm welding, swine production, tractor maintenance, oxy-acetylene welding, and pasture improvement. David Tipton returned home Saturday after having been a patient at Methodist Hospital in Lubbock since Wednesday night when his right hand was injured in a gin accident here. He underwent surgery on the hand shortly after his arrival at the hospital.

F. F. A. Sweetheart Is Elected Here

Miss Sharon Storie was chosen as Sweetheart of the Silverton Chapter of Future Farmers of America in their meeting Tuesday, January 30. First runner-up in the contest was Miss Nanette Fitzgerald. Charles and Ken Sarchet visited their mother and grandmother, Mrs. H. F. Sarchet, at the University Convalescent Center, 2400 Quaker, in Lubbock Saturday.

Glenn Smith returned home Monday after having been a patient for several weeks in the Tullia and Amarillo hospitals.

Mrs. M. E. Smith has been a patient in Swisher Memorial Hospital this week.

Mrs. Rags Riddell has been a patient in Swisher Memorial Hospital this week.

New Soil Found In Briscoe County Called "Burson Loam"

Burson loam is the name of a new soil found during the soil survey of Briscoe County says Bob Rauch, District Conservationist, Soil Conservation Service (SCS). Wayburn Mitchell, Soil Scientist who mapped Briscoe County, was the first to discover this soil. He couldn't make it fit into any soil series classified at that time. So Wayburn carefully described the soil, took samples, and determined its extent. The information was sent to SCS soil correlators. After thorough study of the data, the new soil was approved by the Washington Office. The Burson soil series has taken its place in the nationwide system of soil classification. Hereafter, any soil found in the country that fits the Burson series classification will be given this name. There are about 10,000 different soil series in the United States. Soils are named for a local community, town, city, school, or landmark. Burson loam was named after Burson Lake. The Burson soil is a very shallow, loamy, reddish brown soil over sandstone. It occurs throughout the rough broken country in Briscoe County. It is similar to the Quinlan soil. Other soils correlated in the Briscoe County survey are Amaril-



They didn't want this evergreen tree felled, but Mother Nature had other ideas Saturday as she sent winds gusting up to 70 miles per hour through Silverton. The tree was located on North Grady Street. Fortunately for local residents, snow fell only on the North Plains.

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Year's Club Activities Listed At Meeting

Century of Progress Study Club met Monday, January 29, at 3:00 p.m. at the City Hall for the purpose of reporting on club activities during the past year.

These reports are due in the mail by February 1, 1973, and are to be sent to the District Second Vice President and the local club chairman. The Department Chairman responsible for these reports are Mrs. Bob Wheelchel, Conservation of Natural Resources; Mrs. Marvin Montague, Education; Mrs. L. D. Griffin, Fine Arts; Mrs. Joe Montague, Home Life; Mrs. Garland Francis, International Affairs; Mrs. James Davis, Public Affairs; Mrs. Wayne McMurtry, Texas Heritage; Mrs. E. A. Birdwell, Council of International Clubs.

Forms were given to clubmembers, along with a reporting review by Mrs. John Gill.

The True Value, "A Happy Man," was read by Mrs. Carl Bo-

mar.
Included in this meeting was the annual election of officers. Chosen to serve the club during the 1973-74 club year were Mrs. John Gill, president; Mrs. Wayne Mayfield, first vice president; Mrs. E. A. Birdwell, second vice president; Mrs. George Long, recording secretary; Mrs. F. E. Hutsell, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Leland Wood, treasurer; Mrs. Wayne McMurtry, reporter; Mrs. L. D. Griffin, parliamentarian.

The devotional was given by Mrs. Edwin Dickerson. Mrs. John Gill presented the President's Annual Report.

A presentation of the club's scrapbooks was given by Mrs. L. D. Griffin, who has been custodian of these books for some fifteen years.

It was reported that the newly-purchased Listening Center for the Silverton School System has arrived and is now in use in the School Library. This is a project of the Century of Progress Study Club.

The next meeting will be February 14, in the home of Mrs. E. A. Birdwell. It will be Friendship Day and each member is urged to bring a special guest. A book review will be given by Mrs. Wayne McMurtry.
Hostesses for the January meet-

March Of Time Study Club Officers Chosen

March of Time Study Club held its annual meeting and election of officers recently.

Chosen to serve the club as officers during the next club year were Mrs. Tony Burson, president; Mrs. Bob Hill, first vice president; Mrs. Lillian Mayfield, second vice president; Mrs. Troy Burson, recording secretary; Mrs. True Burson, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Fred Mercer, treasurer; Mrs. Theron Crass, reporter; Anna Lee Anderson, parliamentarian; and Mrs. Alvin Redin, federation counselor.

Mrs. Charles Wayne Mayfield presented a program on "Gardening in Texas" and showed slides of wild and domestic flowers. She also showed crystallized flowers, a dried arrangement and a terrarium she had made.

Southwestern Club Meets In Cantwell Home January 25

Southwestern Home Demonstration Club met in the Elton Cantwell home on January 25, 1973 at 2:00 p.m.

Mrs. Genie Curry was in charge of the business. The devotional was read from Ecclesiastes 2:24-25 by Lanita Cantwell. The district meeting will be in Colorado City in April. Lanita Cantwell, the THDA Chairman, was elected as a delegate to this meeting. Frances Kellum was elected alternate delegate.

Mrs. Dorothy Powell, County Extension Agent, brought the program on "Weight Control and Diet." She passed out pamphlets on "Food For Fitness," and a weight chart. Each lady took a "Weight Control Quiz."
These ladies answered roll call with "A New Year's Resolution About My Diet": Genie Curry, Glenda Francis, Maebelle Francis, Marie Garrison, Theta Holt, Frances Kellum, Teresa Sutton, Betty Wheelchel, Dorothy Powell and Lanita Cantwell. The hostess served refreshments to those present.

Refreshments of cake and coffee were served by Mrs. Fred Minyard, club president.

All proceeds go to the Muscular Dystrophy Association of America in Amarillo.

Forty-two was enjoyed by all attending. Winners were Carroll Garrison, high score; Veneta Chappell, low score, and G. W. Chap-

ing were Mrs. Robert Wheelchel, Mrs. James Davis and Mrs. Edwin Dickerson.

Cowbelles Have Luncheon In Tulia

Terra Cotta Cowbelles met January 18 at Dolly's in Tulia for a luncheon and business meeting with Mrs. Wayne Hamilton and Mrs. Charles Faulk as hostesses. Minutes were read from the November meeting at which officers were elected for 1973.

They are Mrs. Doug Forbes, Silverton, president; Mrs. Joe King, Plainview, first vice president; Mrs. Robert Allen, Tulia, second vice president; Mrs. Hank Winters, Lockney, secretary; Mrs. Pat Northcutt, Silverton, treasurer.

The president appointed the following to serve for 1973: Mrs. Betty Krostz, Olton, Beef Promotion Chairman; Mrs. Dwain Love, Tulia, historian; Mrs. Jewel Avent, Tulia, parliamentarian; Mrs. Gladys Arnold, Silverton, devotional chairman; Mrs. Billy Northfleet, Olton, Mrs. Gordon Montague, Plainview, Mrs. John Culwell, Tulia, and Mrs. Pascal Garrison, Silverton, publicity chairmen.

Due to the appointment of Mrs. Joe King as Beef Chairman for the State of Texas Cowbelles, Mrs. Bernice May was elected to fill the office of first vice president.

Beef Fact Finder Charts and Beef Recipes were given to each member by the Beef Industry Council. Also large beef cut charts have been distributed to all local meat markets.

There will be an executive meeting in Silverton at the United Methodist Church February 9 at 1:00 p.m.

The next regular meeting will be February 15 at 12:30 p.m. for a covered dish luncheon at the Southwestern Public Service Com-

pel, traveling prize.

Those attending from Silverton were Mrs. Gladys Arnold, Mrs. Doug Forbes, Mrs. Pat Northcutt, Mrs. Bernice May, Mrs. D. T. Northcutt, Mrs. Leland Wood and Mrs. Pascal Garrison.

GRAHAM NOT ON LIST OF POW'S IN VIETNAM

Captain Dennis Graham, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clemons Graham of Lubbock, was not on the list of POW's released by Hanoi this week. Mr. and Mrs. Garham were informed Saturday night, January 27, that their son was not listed as a prisoner and would continue to be listed by this country as missing in action.

Graham, a nephew of Mrs. J. W. Reid of Silverton, was the pilot of an S-11 that has been missing since March 1968. No word has been received since that time.

The family is continuing to hope that Captain Graham's name will be on the list of prisoners being held in Laos.

Young Farmers Have Business Meeting

Silverton Young Farmers met on Thursday, January 25 in the Silverton School vocational agricultural department.

Donald Perkins presided over the business meeting. The upcoming awards banquet was discussed and the guest list was filled out. The food will be catered.

An oxy-acetylene short course will be sponsored February 12-15. Specialist Charles H. Yeates will be the instructor. The public is invited to attend this informative program. There will be a \$10.00 fee to cover supplies, etc.

The Little League Baseball Park was discussed. Members tabled this until a later date.

Tobe Riddell was elected as the pany building on Sixth Street in Plainview with the Olton ladies as hostesses. All ladies interested in beef promotion are urged to attend.

1973 Annuals Are Being Sold Here

Louise Kitchens, editor of the Silverton Owllet, has announced that the annuals will be on sale January 22-31. The price is \$6.00 per book with a free name in gold on the cover. Two payments of \$3.00 may be made, the last one by January 31.

If you would like to purchase an Owllet, contact Louise Kitchens, Joan Cross, Jana Cross, Ruth Ann Cline, Celia Martin or Ann Hardin.

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Wayne Stephens was appointed as 1973 Rodeo Chairman. The Young Farmers Rodeo during the Briscoe County Celebration will be held August 9-10-11. The club voted to have adjustments in the contract with the rodeo producer to hold his end of the bargain.

Members attending the meeting were Jimmy Myers, Tobe Riddell, Calvin Shelton, Donald Perkins, Fred Minyard, Joe Self, Robert Hill, Wayne Stephens and advisor Monroe Gates.

*** NEW ARRIVAL**

Mr. and Mrs. Terry West are parents of a new son, Brian Glenn born at 4:40 a.m. Wednesday, January 31, at Swisher Memorial Hospital in Tulia.

They also have a son, Brad, who is three years old.

Grandparents are Mr. Clyde West of California; Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Smith, Silverton, and Mrs. Betty McCarty, Houston. Great grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. James West of DeLeon and Mrs. M. J. Smith of Silverton.

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Homemakers Sponsor Game Night Benefit

Silverton Young Homemakers sponsored their Muscular Dystrophy Game Night Saturday, January 27 in the Pioneer Room of the First State Bank.

Forty-two was enjoyed by all attending. Winners were Carroll Garrison, high score; Veneta Chappell, low score, and G. W. Chap-

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Pledge 7 Oz.	DUSTING WAX	79¢
Shurfine Frozen 10 Oz.	CHOPPED BROCCOLI	4 FOR \$1

*** FRESH FRUITS - VEGETABLES**

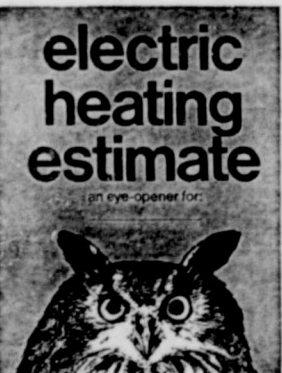
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CUB SCOUT NEWS

Cub Scouts, Troop 262, met Tuesday, January 23, 1973 at the home of their Den Mother, Mrs. ...

Eber Gill, Don Perkins, Michael Greenhaw, Robert Boyd and Greg Wheelchel.

The next Pack Meeting will be February 17, 1973 at the school cafeteria. All Cub Scouts and Webelos are urged to attend.

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REP. PHIL CATES

Rep. Cates Named To Three Committees

State Representative Phil Cates has been named to three committees important to his district by Speaker Price Daniel, jr. in appointments which generally reflected a shift of influence from the rural areas of Texas to major cities, particularly in the Houston-Gulf Coast area.

Rep. Cates, generally regarded as a conservative, gained seats on the Committee on Agriculture and Livestock, Human Resources, and Natural Resources, despite appointments that reflected the liberal and urban influences of the

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house. Of the 21 chairmen appointed, 14 were from counties of over 100,000.

House committees have been reduced from 46 to 21, so each committee is more powerful and encompassing. For example, the Natural Resources committee now includes both oil and gas and water conservation, and Rep. Cates said he sought this position because of the importance of such resources to his area.

Cates said he was also pleased to be on the Agriculture and Livestock and Human Resources committees, both of which he feels will handle bills of vital importance to this region.

"Re-apportionment in the last legislature shifted ten of the 150 House seats from predominantly rural districts to the metropolitan areas, with five new seats going to Harris and three to Dallas. This inevitably will be felt in the make-up of committees and in the passage of legislation of greater concern and interest to the big-city delegations. Harris County has 24 seats now, and Dallas, 18, more than all of West Texas," Cates commented.

Legislative action halted abruptly in Austin with the death of President Johnson. Only one bill of importance to this area was voted on, and action on this measure was delayed, according to Rep. Cates.

The bill as argued called for stricter rules in regard to meetings of all governmental groups including boards, commissions, departments, committees or agencies within the executive or legislative department of the state. It also included all local school boards, city and county commissions.

The bill as presented to the legislature would make it almost impossible for governmental bodies to function properly, Rep. Cates said, but added that amendments would be introduced to modify the more stringent conditions.

"As the bill read, if any two members of such a group met over lunch and even discussed what was to be brought up at a coming meeting, they would be subject to a heavy fine and a 30-day jail sentence," Rep. Cates said.

He added that more time would give legislators the chance to study the bill and to hear from their constituents concerning it.

Silverton Young Farmers Attend State Convention In Dallas January 18 - 20

Fourteen Silverton Young Farmers and wives journeyed to Dallas for the 19th annual convention of the State Association of Young Farmers of Texas January 18-20.

The opening session began Friday, January 19 at 9:30 a.m. in Dallas' Memorial Auditorium. The presentation of colors and pledge to the flag was carried out by the Dallas High School ROTC.

Invocation was given by Harold Sanders, O'Donnell, Ray Raymond, Kaufman, seated the voting delegates. Stanley White, Stephenville, introduced the morning guest speaker, Carl Terzian, internationally respected Goodwill Ambassador, business executive, public affairs expert, civic, religious and youth leader.

Some highlights of his speech were: Be prepared—don't throw up hands and give up. Be adventuresome. Characteristics of American people are (1) Love inspires people to serve their country. Under love comes service, affection. Be concerned for your fellow man. (2) Purpose and value of goals give one a sense of direction. Purpose also gives a will or desire to do whatever needs to be done. Everyone is important. There are no carbon copies. No one else in the world is like you. This country gives no more or no less than the chances of opportunities one has in a lifetime. Those who can't remember the past are condemned to repeat it.

The Young Farmer - Young Homemaker Luncheon was held on Friday, January 19 at 12:15 p.m. Presiding were Rita Travis, YHT president, and YFT president Stanley White.

R. G. Kurz, Somerset, gave the invocation. The Polyfoniks, a choral group from Temple High School, presented entertainment. Their music covered all fields, classic to country.

Guests were introduced by each organization, followed by the presentation of awards.

Rita Travis presented YHT awards: Outstanding Chapter - South Houston, Area III; Outstanding New Chapter - Area III; Little Sister, Michele Russel, Area VI.

Jimmy Myers, Silverton, presented the YFT awards: Chapter Publicity - Silverton Young Farmers; Chapter Radio and Television - Stamford, Area II.

The second general session began at 2:30 p.m. G. G. Scroggins, Assistant Director of Agricultural Education, introduced special guests. Audit report was given by Gene Jernigan, Godley. A special report with slides on the National Young Farmer Educational Institute held in California, was presented.

Nominations for State President were directed by Harold Sanders, O'Donnell. The Friday session was adjourned.

At 6:30 p.m. the annual Young Farmer Awards Banquet was held. Stanley White, YFT president, was master of ceremonies. The invocation was given by Jimmy Myers, Silverton.

Wayne Frederick, Mauriceville, introduced the speaker, Jerry Clower, Decca Records artist who is a super-seller on or off stage. His zany tales of real-life experience as a Mississippi youth in Amite County have established him as one of America's best selling recording artists (last LP over 300,000) and knee-slapping speaker-lecturer (over 275 engagements in 1971). This 275-pound ex-Mississippi State football player, record breaking fertilizer salesman and noted Lay Minister, kept the audience filled with laughter and tears—but to conclude his hour and fifteen minute speech, which seemed only about fifteen minutes, he spoke of being in the Lord's

house every Sunday and living a good Christian life for yourself, your neighbors and friends and enemies.

Gene Jernigan, Godley, was in charge of the evening's awards program. Outstanding New Chapter went to Ralls; Outstanding Young Farmer Chapter was Friendship. Outstanding Young Agri-Businessman award went to H. W. Swink, Aspermont, with Robert H. Hill, Silverton, as second-place winner in the state. Hill received a trophy, plaque and \$50.00 savings bond.

Star Young Farmer is James H. Sanders, O'Donnell Chapter, Area II. Sid Ashley of Henderson was runner-up.

Sponsors of the YFT Banquet were International Harvester Company and the State Association of Young Farmers of Texas.

The third and final session began Saturday, January 20, at 8:45 a.m. Frederick McClure, president of Texas Future Farmers of America, brought greetings to the group from the little brothers association. Jimmy Myers, Silverton, introduced the commercial exhibi-

tors. The election of the State YFT president was held and Wayne Frederick, Mauriceville, Area IX, was elected to the post for the coming year. New incoming vice-presidents from the even-numbered areas were introduced.

Several door prizes were won by the Silverton group. Among those winning were Calvin Shelton, Linda Minyard, Jimmy Myers and Fred Minyard.

Those attending and representing the Silverton Chapter were Mr. and Mrs. Dwain Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Minyard, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Chappell, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Stephens, Tobe Riddell, Joe Self, Jimmy Myers and Calvin Shelton.

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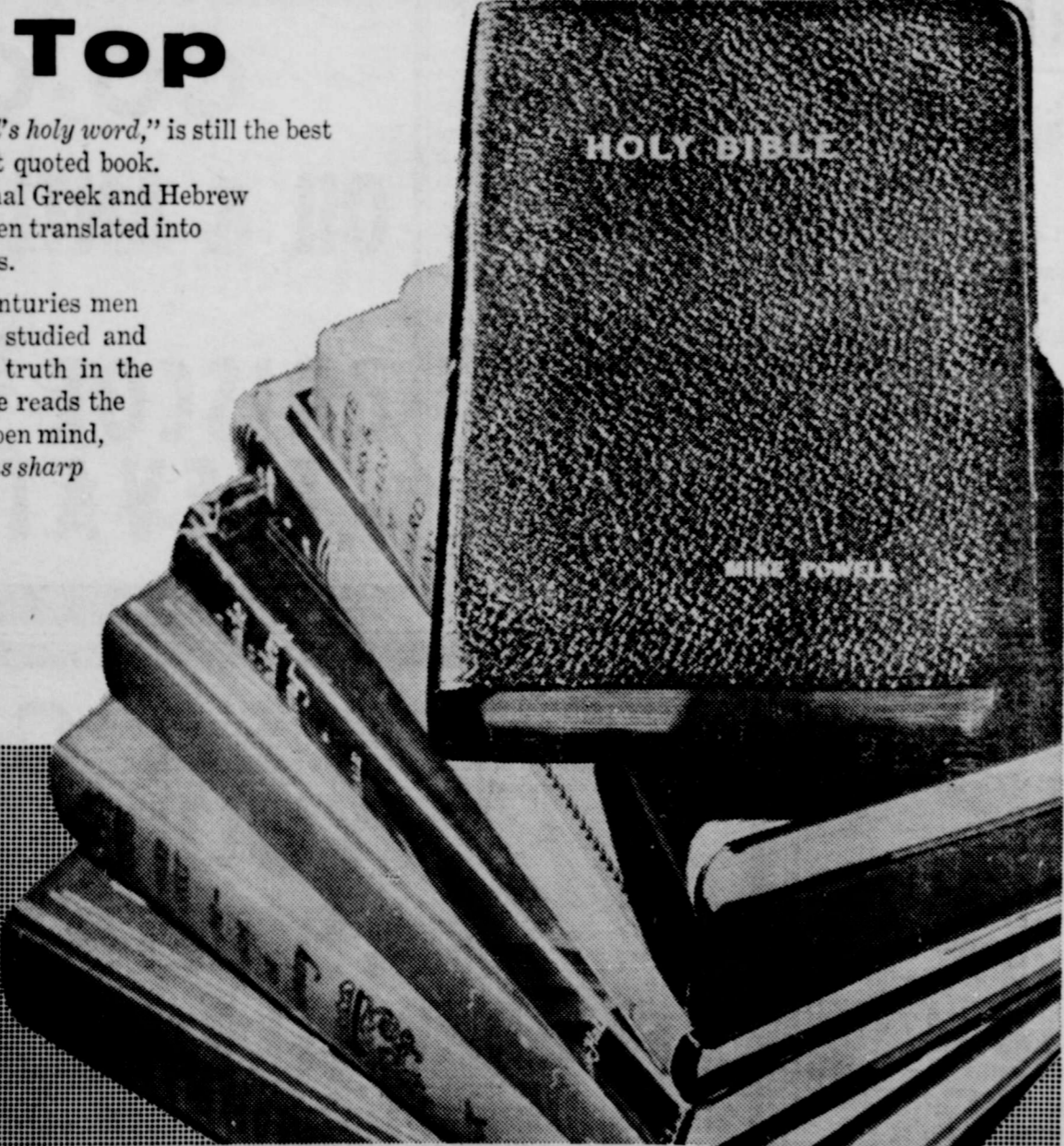
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