

All Around the Town



by Mary Ann Sarchet

It's a sad, but true, statement that the people of Silverton have been taken!

A month ago, the clinic board mailed a contract to Dr. Francisco de Vera, and received a letter in reply from him stating that the contract was fair and acceptable and that he was looking forward to moving to Silverton to practice medicine. He stated that he needed a house to rent and some help in securing his license.

The clinic board felt the requests the doctor had made had been met, but the following, which is part of a letter they received from the doctor this week, will let you know just what kind of problems they encounter in their quest for a doctor for our town.

Now the doctor requires "not only a comfortable and roomy place (to live) but my son has a medical condition which requires special areas of living and playing. A month ago, we thought of staying temporarily in Plainview but this would be impractical and prohibitively expensive for us.

"These are amongst several important factors that hinder us from accepting the position. To be honest with the Board, I have been offered to sign a Contract to work as an Emergency Room Physician in Houston, with a minimum annual guaranteed income of \$56,000 plus paid interview and moving expenses, free life, disability, medical and malpractice insurance and a very comfortable three bedroom house to rent in one of the best neighborhood locations in Houston. To be fair, even though the Contract is here with me, I have not signed nor committed myself to them not until I have given Silverton a chance.

"I would like to offer certain additional provisions in the Contract to be signed by me and the Briscoe County Medical Association, which upon your approval, would definitely change our decision into a favorable one for Silverton.

1. Paid interview and moving expenses.

2. Guaranteed annual minimum income of \$60,000.00 for the first year. In the event that half of such figure is not attained within six months, I have the option to leave Silverton and automatically dissolve such contract without any legal consequences on my part.

3. Free maintenance and insurance of clinic including the procurement of necessary apparatus, equipment (see enclosed list), paid utility bills and paid malpractice insurance (\$200,000.00 policy) for the first six months.

4. Written assurance of a physician's assistant, nurse or all-around Medical Technologist to start work in clinic within 30 days from start of my practice, to be handled exclusively by the members of the board subject to my approval in hiring such employee.

5. Written assurance of a comfortable roomy and decent home consisting of three bedrooms to rent and further requirements of my family.

6. Immediate financial back-up by the Briscoe County Medical Association through local financial institution on the first few months of my practice.

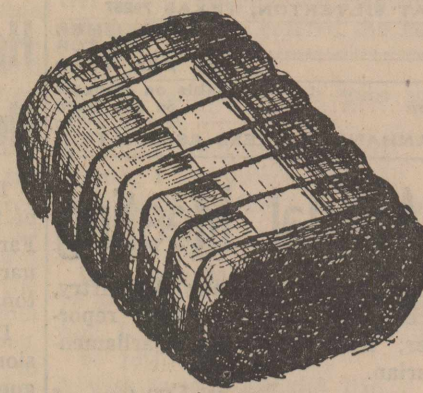
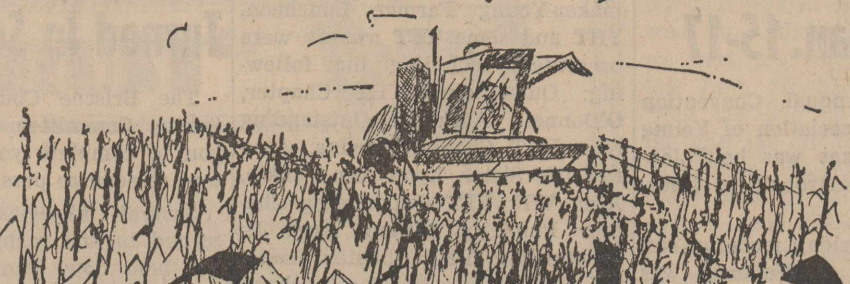
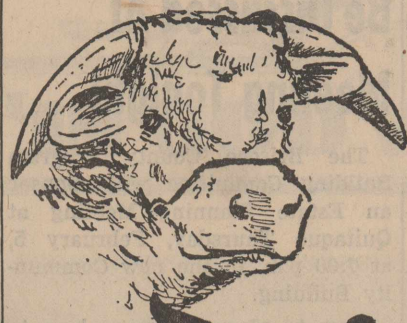
"In closing we sincerely wish to make Silverton our next home, but unfortunately we have several and difficult problems that we have to contend with and we hope you all understand our predicaments," Dr. de Vera concluded.

In the most ladylike language I can think of, we've been had! Of course it is a consideration if you are trying to get waivers to rush the processing of a license to practice medicine for a doctor who is moving to a town and county with no doctor. But since he changed his mind about so many things so quickly, I am wondering if he ever really intended to move to Silverton, Texas USA.

Garland Francis entered Central Plains Hospital in Plainview last Thursday, and underwent a thyroidectomy Friday morning. He had the right lobe of the thyroid gland, which contained two cysts, removed. He returned home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis were in Plainview for a checkup with his doctor Tuesday.

Silverton: Home of Scenic Lake Mackenzie



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Miller Appointed District Judge; Hollums Is New D.A.

District Attorney George Miller moved to the District Judge office and Floydada attorney Randy Hollums moved into the District Attorney office Friday by virtue of Governor Dolph Briscoe's appointments on Wednesday night.

The District Judge vacancy was created by the death of Judge L. D. Ratliff. Both men were officially sworn into their new offices in the district courtroom in the Floyd County courthouse Thursday afternoon.

Judge Miller was County Attorney in Briscoe County and lived in Silverton from 1959 until 1965. He then lived in Amarillo three years when he was in private law practice.

He joined the law firm of District Attorney John Stapleton in Floydada in June 1969. January 1, 1970 he became District Attorney.

Judge Miller is a native of Lamesa, a graduate of the University of Texas Law School and served in the Navy from 1955 to 1957.

In Floydada he serves on the official board of the First United Methodist Church, is a past president of the Rotary Club, past vice president of the Chamber of Commerce, past vice president of the Floydada Development Company and has worked on many civic endeavors.

The Millers have two children: Pat of the home and Mrs. Mike (Karen) Burk, who teaches in the Abilene School System. The new judge will have his office in the Floyd County courthouse.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Randy Hollums was born in 1943 at Lubbock, spent most of his life in Floydada. He attended McMurry, Wayland and West Texas State University after graduation from Floydada High School.

He received his B. S. degree from West Texas State in 1966. He entered the U. S. Air Force in September, 1966 and was released from active duty March 3, 1971. He departed active duty as a captain.

In September of 1971 he entered Texas Tech Law School and graduated in December of 1973. He was admitted to practice law by the state bar in April, 1974. He has practiced law in Floydada since that time.

He is the son of Duncan and Edwina Hollums. He is married to the former Teresa Gay of Cleburne, and they have a six-year-old son, Jay.

During the 64th Legislature, Spring, 1975, he served as the administrative aide to Senator Ray Farabee.

In 1975 and 1976 he served as vice president of the Floydada Chamber of Commerce, is currently chairman of the American Heart Association drive in Floyd County, member-elect of the Board of Directors of the Floydada Rotary Club, member of the Board of Directors of the Floydada Meals-on-Wheels Program, member of First United Methodist Church and sponsor of United Methodist Youth.

Both men begin their new jobs immediately, Governor Briscoe said, and will serve until the next general election. The 110th Judicial District includes Briscoe, Motley, Floyd and Dickens counties.

Attorney Hollums and Judge Miller had both filed for election to their respective offices with the State Democratic Party in Austin by Friday afternoon.

The District Attorney salary is \$23,000 and the county pays half the cost of a secretary. The District Attorney may maintain private law practice also.

The District Judge salary is \$31,000 plus \$750 from each coun-



Judge M. G. Moreland and Briscoe County Historical Survey Committee Chairman Mrs. Edwin Dickerson were pictured last week when the Briscoe County Liberty Tree, a Texas Pecan, was planted.

Briscoe County Has New Liberty Tree

Briscoe County's bicentennial tree has been planted on the yard of the Briscoe County courthouse in Silverton.

This bicentennial event was sponsored by the Briscoe County Historical Survey Committee, the Texas Forest Service and the Texas Forestry Association.

Vardell Announces For Sheriff's Race

Willard (Wimpy) Vardell has authorized this newspaper to announce that he is a candidate for the office of Briscoe County Sheriff, subject to action by the Democratic Primary in May.

Vardell stated that he has lived in Briscoe County all his life.

"I intend to try to see everyone in the county before the election, but if I miss you, I would appreciate your vote and influence in my behalf," he said.

"If elected, I pledge myself to serve to the best of my ability in this important office," Vardell added.

McJimsey Appointed To School Board

The Board of Trustees of the Silverton Independent School District has announced their appointment of Raymond McJimsey to the board to replace Randall (Moe) Eddleman who resigned last week in order to seek a teaching job.

Both McJimsey and John Schott, who was appointed to take the place of Pat L. Northcutt who moved to Dalhart, will serve until the next election which will be in April 1976. It is expected that both will probably allow their names to be placed in nomination for the school board at that time.

ty for travel and expenses.

In a statement Friday, Judge Miller said, "When I was asked to accept the appointment, one of the hard decisions was to give up private practice. I have many good friends and clients whom I have been serving, but I feel that I can continue to serve the people of this district as judge, and I will do so to the best of my ability. I also want to extend my best wishes to Randy as he enters the District Attorney office."

Varsity Teams Add Victories To String

Silverton's Varsity Owls kissed Memphis goodbye here last Friday night by defeating the Cyclone 65-49 in one of the most action-packed games of the season.

Since Silverton is dropping into Class B for the next two years, the teams have been playing all of their District 2-A opponents for the last time for awhile. According to Principal B. J. Willis, it is likely that after two years in Class B the student population figures will be reviewed again, and it is possible that Silverton will return to Class A again then; however, the Owls and Owlettes never know what District they will find themselves in, and there is also the possibility that in another two years the larger District 2-A teams may have climbed into Class AA. So, the goodbye kiss to the Cyclone and the one the Owlettes planted on the Wellington Rockettes there Tuesday night, could very well have symbolized a "goodbye forever."

Needless to say, Silverton players and fans have no reason to regret this.

The Junior Varsity Owlettes opened the action here Friday night by defeating the Cycloettes 41-22. Led by a 30-point effort by Ruegena Davidson, the Owlettes took an early lead and were never challenged. Kim Cornett scored four points; Arlene Lavy, who plays at both the forward and guard ends of the court, three points; Teressa Crosslin and Annette Fleming, two points each. JV Owlettes 18 24 39 41 Memphis 6 14 14 22

The Varsity Owlettes dropped their match 61-37 in one of the worst games the girls have played this year. It was an off-night which saw the forwards missing their shots and the guards running into each other and tying the ball up with themselves.

Kim Hutsell was highest-scoring individual with nine points. Twila Wood and Becky Francis scored seven points each; Donna Rowell tossed in six points before she left the game with an ankle injury; Mignone Rauch and Margaret Crosslin, three points each, and Dara Garvin, who plays both guard and forward, added two points.

The Owls didn't ever trail the Cyclone much in their game, but were behind at the end of each quarter except the important last one. Going into the fourth period, the Owls trailed 44-43, but they played ball control in that last stanza, going only for the high-percentage shots, and earned the big 65-49 victory. The game was marred by several technical fouls on Memphis players, threats of violence from Memphis players, and in the end, the Memphis coach promised to drop two players from the squad and also made them both apologize to the referees, Silverton players and coach for their behavior.

Jackie Vaughn led the scoring for the Owls with 28 points. Brent Brannon also had a good night on offense with 23 points to his credit. Randy Clay scored seven; Darrell Reynolds, four; Brent Bean, two, and Gary Turner, one point.

Wellington really poured it on the Owls as they continue their quest for a second consecutive District championship. The Owls kept trying and forced the Rockettes to play good ball.

Jackie Vaughn led the offense with 21 points. Gary Turner tossed in eight points; Randy Clay, seven; Brett Gill, six; Brent Bean and Ken Sarchet, four each; Brent Brannon, Jace Francis, Darrell Reynolds and Tommy Lacy, two points each.

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Blood Drive To Be Conducted Here

The Bloodmobile from Coffee Memorial Blood Bank in Amarillo will be in Silverton Tuesday, February 10, from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at the City Hall in Silverton.

Purpose of having the Bloodmobile here is to provide replacement blood for Silverton's present and future community blood needs.

Silverton Young Farmers are co-sponsoring this humanitarian project. If you will register to give blood, please call Shirley Henderson, Lou Younger or one of the churches.

Whenever someone in your family needs blood replacement, you may contact Lou Younger and she will make arrangements with the Blood Bank.

The Silverton community is known for its compassionate desire to take care of its own, and this is an important project that needs your participation.

School Expresses Appreciation For Rock Hauling

The Silverton Independent School District is extremely grateful to the men who helped haul the crushed rock for the track. "It surely is nice to live in a small town where people will give of their time to help others," said Superintendent O. C. Rampley. "We thank you very much."

The Young Farmers organized the job and the following people helped: Bill Boling, Grover Thomas, Tobe Riddell, Steve Barbour, Eddie Holland, Lane Garvin, Fred Minyard, Jim Myers, John Gill, Wayland Fitzgerald, Walter Bean, J. E. Patton, Sam Lewis, L. B. Garvin, Jr., John Francis, Harold Storie, John Boling, Jack Sutton, Claude Jarrett, Wayne Stephens, Dan Herrington, G. W. Chappell, Calvin Shelton, Brett Gill and David Lewis.

We are grateful to Bob Rauch, Cletus Grady and Dan Herrington for the work they did while laying out the track, Rampley added.

Program Building Committee To Meet

The overall Briscoe County Program Building Committee Annual Meeting will be held Thursday, February 5, immediately following the Estate Planning Meeting. It should get started about 8:30 p.m. and conclude by 9:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at the new Community Building in Quitaque.

The purpose of the meeting is to review last year's accomplishments, plan for next year's goals and elect new officers. The Program Building Committee of Briscoe County is a vital part of the overall County Extension Program. It is composed of the Program Building Subcommittee, Crops Subcommittee, Livestock Subcommittee, Family Living Subcommittee and 4-H and Youth Subcommittees. All members of these committees are urged to attend.

in a pair of very exciting games. Ruegena Davidson scored a big 34 points and Kim Cornett added two points for the Junior Varsity as they rolled to a 36-32 victory.

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Club To Serve Turkey Dinner

L. O. A. Junior Study Club is having a turkey dinner on Sunday, February 29, at the Silverton School Cafeteria starting at 12:00 noon.

There will be homemade cakes and pies.

Advance tickets will be \$3.00 and \$1.50 for children under 12. Tickets will be \$3.50 and \$2.00 at the door.

You may contact any L. O. A. Junior Study Club member or call Mary Lane Younger, 823-2369, Tina Nance, 823-2496, or Ellon Yoakum, 823-2298.

Bood Myers Buried Monday Afternoon

Funeral services for Bood Myers, 74, were conducted at 2:00 p.m. Monday at the Silverton Church of Christ with Ted Kingery, minister, officiating.

Burial was in the Silverton Cemetery, with arrangements under the direction of the Silverton Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were J. L. Self, Walter Bean, Floyd Williams, G. W. Chappell, Carver Monroe and J. D. McGavock.

Mr. Myers died Saturday at Swisher Memorial Hospital in Tullia after a lengthy illness. He had been a resident of the Tullia nursing home.

He was born July 20, 1901 in Carroll County. He had farmed near Silverton since 1926 and was a member of the Silverton Church of Christ.

He is survived by one son, Jimmy Myers of Silverton; one daughter, Shirley Myers of Tullia; two sisters, Mrs. Lola Pruitt and Nellie Myers of Waco; and one brother, H. T. Myers of Porterville, California.

Graduates From Leadership School

Staff Sergeant John M. Perkins, son of William Marion Perkins of Silverton, has graduated from the Air Training Command Noncommissioned Officer Leadership School at Webb Air Force Base, Big Spring, Texas.

The sergeant, who was trained in military management and supervision, is inventory management specialist at Webb.

Sergeant Perkins, a 1964 graduate of Tipton (Oklahoma) High School, attended Lubbock Christian College.

and Mrs. Gerley Williard, both of Lubbock, Mrs. Pearl Martin of Ralls and Ada Lee Jones of Floydada; and five grandchildren.

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Study Club Has Annual Meeting

Century of Progress Study Club met January 28 in the home of Mrs. Carl Bomar for its Annual Meeting and election of officers with Vice-President Joni Mayfield presiding.

The club voted to give the Christmas Box Supper money to three charities: Central Plains Mental Health Center in Plainview, the Rita Wood Memorial Scholarship Fund and the Ted Lanham Heart-Monitor Memorial.

Members voted unanimously to buy a History of Briscoe County for the School Library.

Club members voted to meet at Dorothy Bomar's on February 11 at 9:30 to stuff envelopes for the Heart Fund.

Officers elected to serve during the 1976-1978 term are Joni Mayfield, president; Carolyn Montague, first vice president; Teresa Sutton, second vice-president; Wilma Gill, recording secretary; Carrie Dell Dickerson, correspond-

Annual Convention Held In Houston Jan. 15-17

The 22nd Annual Convention of the State Association of Young Farmers of Texas was held January 15-17 at Astrohall in Houston.

During the Friday morning session, Rep. Joe A. Hubenak was guest speaker. Main topic of his speech was the farmer and cattleman. He stated that more and more agricultural land disappears daily for homes, shopping centers and freeways. The role of the farmer is most vital in '76, and there's a new generation of farmers and ranchers. Rep. Hubenak stated that farm food prices are up 6% while retail prices are up 45%; also 65% of every dollar goes for transportation, processing and packing. Farm production costs have doubled and even tripled—at present it costs a farmer \$93 acre and \$5 interest per acre just to put in a crop. Cattle feed cost has gone up over 200% while price received for fed cattle has remained constant!

Agriculture is more important than the name sounds, stressed Rep. Hubenak. Farmers play major roles in keeping this nation great. The largest industry is food. The U. S. is the world's largest exporter of food. Only in America do we have the land, knowledge and individualism to be the breadbasket of the world!

Rep. Hubenak said, "What we have to sell the world is much more precious than oil—food! We

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do have a moral obligation to share our food and abundance with the starving people of the world."

During the noon Young Home-maker-Young Farmer Luncheon, YHT and some YFT awards were presented, including the following: Outstanding YHT Chapter, O'Donnell, Area II; Outstanding New YHT Chapter, Bovina, Area I; Little Sister, Lynn Ann Fankie, Area VIII; YFT Outstanding Chapter Publicity, Sinton, Area X; Outstanding YFT Chapter Radio-TV, Bryan, Area III. The luncheon was sponsored by Rural Electric Systems of Texas and the State Young Farmers and Young Homemakers.

Friday afternoon's session had a slide presentation, "Stewards of the Soil," by Stauffer Chemical Company.

At 6:00 p.m. the 22nd Annual Awards Banquet was held with State YFT President Howard Smithson, Dimmitt, presiding. Entertainment was provided by the 1975 State FFA Talent Team, Danbury.

The Outstanding Area Officer Award went to Jackie McQueen, North Hopkins, Area VI. Outstanding YFT New Chapter was Lamesa, Area II.

John Bradley, Anahuac, Area IV, captured the YFT Outstanding Agribusinessman Award. The Outstanding Chapter was Mathis Young Farmers, Area X. The Star Young Farmer of Texas is L. J. Massey, North Hopkins Chapter, Area VI.

Saturday, January 17, was the final session and was mainly business with the seating of voting delegates. Fred Minyard and Wayne Stephens represented Silvertown. Elanco presented a slide program, "Whatever It Takes," with slides featuring each of the ten Area Star Young Farmers including Buster Terrell of Plainview Young Farmers.

Area I presented the State President Howard Smithson with a Winchester Centennial 30-30 rifle. Calvin Shelton was installed as the new Area I State Officer. The 1976-77 Young Farmer State President is Gary Odom, Sulphur Springs.

Door prize winners from Silvertown included Wayne Stephens, G. W. Chappell and Betty Stephens.

Estate Planning To Be Discussed At Meeting Tonight

The Briscoe County Program Building Committee will sponsor an Estate Planning Meeting at Quitaque Thursday, February 5, at 7:00 p.m. in the new Community Building.

How to plan an estate, how to set up gifts and trusts, community and separate property in Texas, cost of estate in probate, inheritance tax loss, and the importance of a will are topics to be covered.

The speaker will be Marvin Sartin, Area Economist-Management Specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in Lubbock.

Estate planning begins with family members and write your story pertaining to the early history and settlers of this county.

These books are being sold at the pre-publication price of \$23.63 (tax included) per copy. They will sell for \$28.88 (tax included) after publication. If you wish to save money by buying your book now, please contact Mrs. Edwin Dickerson, Mrs. Fred Mercer, or Mrs. O. R. Stark, jr.

Time is growing short, and the Committee wishes to go to press with the book as soon as possible. Please finish your family history and turn it in to any of the Committee members, one of those already mentioned, or Mrs. Wayne McMurtry, Mrs. O. C. Rampley, Mrs. E. A. Birdwell, Mrs. Jarus Flowers, Mrs. C. L. McWilliams, Mrs. Stanley Fogerson.

It was because of your tremendous response to the Briscoe County Commemorative Coin that publication of this beautiful book was made possible. Your cooperation is appreciated and your work in completing your history. The Committee believes you will be proud of each page when it is finished.

They want to give you as much time as possible, but they do need to get it to the publisher soon. They suggest you get together

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wise analysis and inventory of one's property and assets. In planning, a person is able to exercise his privilege of conserving his estate while minimizing cost. Wise planning includes definite plans for the present and future. In planning an estate some factors to consider are wills, trusts, insurance and savings plans, money plans, business operations, fair market values, property considerations, beneficiaries, executors and minimizing taxes.

It is extremely important that people consider attending this meeting. Opportunities to gather such information as will be presented are not often available.

The estate planning meeting gets underway at 7:00 p.m.

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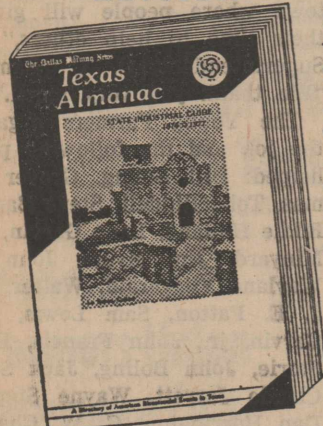
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Dear Charlotte,

This is only the second month of the New Year, and I have broken every one of my resolutions—each and every one—especially the one where I resolved to remain calm, cool and collected. Impossible—you'll never believe what happened to me in January.

I have been reconverting a 30-year-old house, and my first project was to convert the gas-log fireplace in the living room into a real one—

JANUARY 1—Reconverted fireplace, which had given joy and heat for a week, began to sputter and smoke, covering walls, floors and four residents with a black soot! The only family in our town who ate smoked blackeyed peas for New Year's Day lived with me.

JANUARY 2 — Along with a pouring rain, carpet men arrived to lay my new carpet (for which I had waited 25 years). To the delight of my daughter, they moved three rooms of furniture into our small hall, worked diligently all day with the help of hot coffee and turkey sandwiches—only to discover at 6 o'clock that the last 10 feet of carpet had been torn into shreds! They simply donned their coats, ignored my despair and informed me that I would have to wait for the claim adjuster. They left me with smoking fireplace, the torn carpet, and a hall that looked as if it were expecting a garage sale.

JANUARY 3—Wall paper hanger arrived, unrolled the paper for Betty Ann's room—only to discover a bright green color instead of the pale blue with white roses—which I had chosen.

JANUARY 4 — Thought surely that my New Year world had righted itself as the hours ticked away—turned off the kitchen light at 10 p.m. and switched on my eight-year-old dishwasher. A scream from Betty Ann at 10:05 on her nightly ice box raid—"Mama, Mama, brown stuff is coming out of the dishwasher, and it's going toward the hall rug and will Daddy be mad!"—Every clean towel in the house saved the rug and Daddy's wrath as my uncontrolled tears mingled with the flood of coffee grounds and grease!

amination and tests. He underwent some surgery while in the hospital.

Denzil Vaughan has been a patient at High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo since suffering a heart attack last Friday. His mother, Mrs. J. E. Vaughan, is in Amarillo staying with his family.

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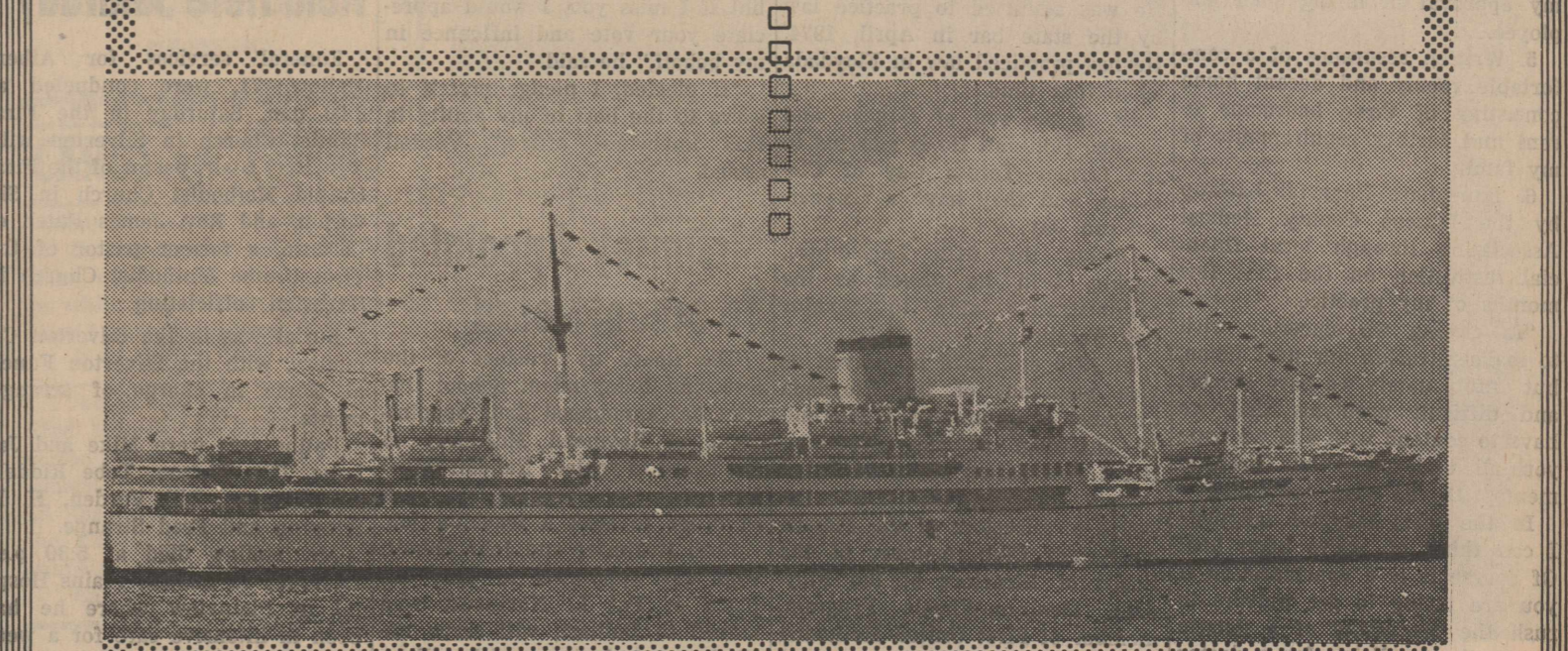
CRUISE IN THE OFF-SEASON

Although most people prefer to take their cruise during the peak of the season for all the glamour, excitement, and crowds it offers, others enjoy the quiet and restfulness of the off season cruise. Tourists are not present in such great numbers; interesting places can be visited more leisurely and at greater length.

Some people prefer to pray only when they are in church or at some great public gathering where the prayers are led for them. But our Lord said to pray in the "off-season." He

said, "But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly." The real joys of prayer are truly found when you are praying alone with God. The scripture says to be instant in season and out of season.

The church would encourage you to pray both in church and at home. Prayer can uphold, support, and strengthen our churches, ourselves, and our country.




The Church is God's appointed agency in this world for spreading the knowledge of His love for man and of His demand for man to respond to that love by loving his neighbor. Without this grounding in the love of God, no government or society or way of life will long persevere and the freedoms which we hold so dear will inevitably perish. Therefore, even from a selfish point of view, one should support the Church for the sake of the welfare of himself and his family. Beyond that, however, every person should uphold and participate in the Church because it tells the truth about man's life, death and destiny; the truth which alone will set him free to live as a child of God.



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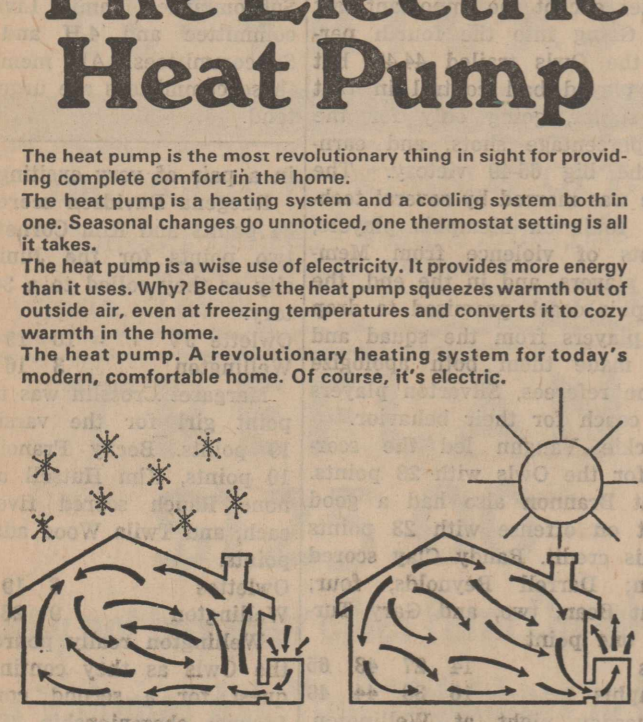


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DEAR EDITOR:

Worth waited for the Briscoe County News and enjoyed reading news of his old friends. We found out that he had cancer for the second time about a year ago and we were told there was no hope last June. He had cancer of the right jaw and he really suffered the past six months. He knew his days were numbered and he was ready and prepared to go. The children and I took care of him at home until Sunday afternoon, December 28, when we had to take him to the hospital. He passed away at 1:00 a.m. the following morning.

I'm enclosing a copy of his eulogy and a copy of a poem I found in his wallet.

Please cancel Worth's subscription and we want to thank you for publishing the notice of his death. We have heard from many of his friends due to the notice.

Ann Alexander
2465 Wilbur Street
Oakland, California 94602

EULOGY

... Worth Alexander was a good man in the fullest sense of the word.

Born in California, he was raised in Texas. In his middle teens he returned to California. His mother died when he was very young. His father remarried. His step-mother became a very good mother to him.

Twenty-five years ago he met and married his wife, Ann. They were married in St. Francis de Sales Church in Oakland. Then began a very beautiful thing. Unselfishly Worth and his wife made of their marriage a tree that bore much good fruit. Carefully they tended that tree through the years.

Seven children were born, all of them living, Debi, Bob, Vickie, Frances, Pat, Nancy and Bernadette. They were given a solid education in their faith. They received excellent moral training and good example at home. They have not failed their parents' hopes and prayers. Mr. Alexander was proud of his children. He was a strict father, but always fair. He got along with his children beautifully. He only wished he could have walked his daughters down the aisle in marriage. He will in spirit. Worth's whole life was his home, his wife and his kids.

Worth Alexander had a wonderful personality. Everybody liked him. He had a thousand friends where he worked for some 35 years. He leased a parking lot in the heart of the old South of Market district of San Francisco, on Minna Street, between 4th and 5th, not far from St. Patrick's Church. Worth had a delightful sense of humor.

About seven years ago Worth Alexander discovered that he had cancer. He did not give up. Prayers seemed to have worked some kind of miracle, because after a couple of years of pain and medication, the disease seemed to have gone away. God gave a blessed reprieve for a few years. In the last year or so the cancer returned and was the hand of God taking Worth to Himself.

... Though he was always an upright, Godly man, and though he was a partner in the raising of his children in the Catholic Religion, he himself was not a Catholic. Often he went to church with the family on great feasts. On November 17, 1971, he was baptized and received into the Catholic Church by Fr. La Barbera. From that day on he has been an exemplary Catholic. He went to Mass and to Communion every Sunday until his illness kept him away in the last few weeks. Then Christ went to him. His faith in Christ's presence in the Eucharist was strong. After Communion he would kneel with his head buried in his hands.

It is sad to see a good man go. The world could do with a lot more Worth Alexanders. The world is better for his coming. It will still feel his influence. Good men leave their footprints in the sands of time.

I could wish for nothing better for his children than that they serve God and their fellow man as their father did.

Mrs. Alexander has Faith and their children and her memories. That is enough.

A good name is Worth more than gold.

Msgr. John P. Connolly, Pastor
St. Jarlath's Church

THE POEM

I know that I'm living on borrowed time,
But it's been a glamorous life.
I've got the seven most beautiful kids on earth,
And the whole world's most wonderful wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Strange both have been patients in Central Plains Hospital in Plainview this week. Helen entered the hos-

There's nothing I ask goes unanswered,
Nothing I want goes undone,
Nothing I say goes unheeded,
They make me feel I am the one.

To teach them the things that they have to know,
To make life either happy or sad.
And I hope their's turns out to be just like mine—
A wish from a grateful Dad.

Get your homework done on time,
Whether it's math or an English rhyme,
Never let yourself get in the plight,
Of waiting to start studying on Sunday night.

When you use the last of milk or spread,
Or mayonnaise or sandwich bread,
Or other things, please write it down,
We'll get some when we go to town.

It's hell when you discover there's no T.P. on the roll,
And the kleenex box is empty,
and you're getting kinda cold,
It's then that you discover, and much to your chagrin,
That the smallest bill that you've got in your wallet is a ten.

Don't leave your dishes in the sink,
Every time you eat or drink.
And when you go out on a date,
Call Mom if you're gonna be late.

Don't leave your clothes on chairs or floor,
Don't pile old papers behind the door.

If you see something on floor or ground,
Pick it up, don't walk around.

Put dirty clothes down laundry chute,
And someone please hang up Dad's suit.

Last of all love one another,
Have faith in God, and mind your mother.

DAD

pital Sunday, and Ted entered for treatment of pneumonia Monday.

Junior High Teams Take Three Wins From Clarendon

The Seventh and Eighth Grade Owlettes and Eighth Grade Owls took three victories from Clarendon in a series of games played here last Thursday.

Elsa Ramirez was the high-point individual for the Seventh Grade Owlettes with 11 points. Penny Cogdell was right behind her with 10 points, and Shelly Harris put in seven points.

There was a three-way tie for scoring honors in the Eighth Grade Owlettes' game between Rose Lee Perkins, Jennifer Martin and Brenda Yancey, who caged six points each. Connie Rowell tossed in one point from the line.

Kelly Comer and Greg Hill led the Eighth Grade Owls to victory by putting six points each on the board. Cam Forbes added four points; Paul Brannon, three; Bobby McPherson and James Jarrett, two points each, and Mike Corbett, one point.

Monday night the Junior High teams split a pair of games at Lakeview, the Owlettes dropping a 27-25 decision, and the Owls earning a 30-25 victory.

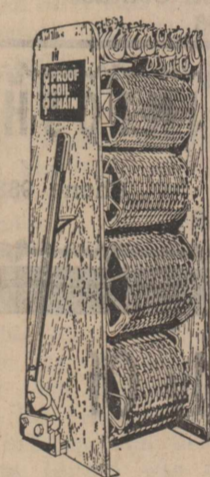
Brenda Yancey was the highest scorer for the Owlettes with nine points. Close on her heels were Rose Lee Perkins with eight and Connie Rowell with seven points. Jennifer Martin rang up one point.

Kelly Comer led the Owls with 10 points. Greg Hill added four points; Paul Brannon, Cam Forbes, Dijji Couch, Bobby McPherson, Walter Perkins, John Segura and Jimmy Lacy, two points each; Nicky McJimsey and Mike Corbett, one point each.

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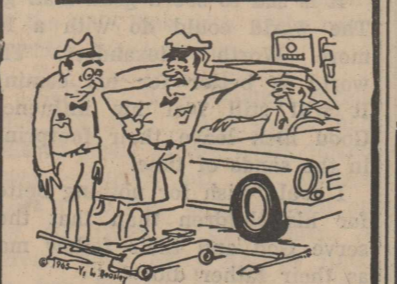
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Dafny, Thomas,
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We wish to express our love and appreciation to all those who helped in any way during the illness and loss of our loved one. All the prayers, flowers, memorials, food and kind expressions of sympathy will never be forgotten for we love you for them.
The family of Albert Mallow

A great big thank-you to all of you who have helped me in so many ways since my accident. The cards, food, flowers, other gifts, the chauffeuring and the many other ways you have helped are sincerely appreciated, and I thank you from the bottom of my heart.
Josephine Anderson

Many thanks, O. C., for taking the time and the trouble to gather up our box of belongings we left strewn across the highway. We are grateful to get the things back, especially the boys' medicine. Maybe this incident will remind us to be sure all is inside and not perching on the fuel tanks when we leave. We really appreciate your consideration.
Phil and Kathi Hubbard

We would like to thank every one of you for the visits, calls, food and help while I was in the hospital and at home.
Jim Clemmer

We want to thank each one for their prayers, the visits, cards and all the good food, at the hospital and here at home. Special thanks to Bro. Larry, Fred and all the church people.
I am doing fine.
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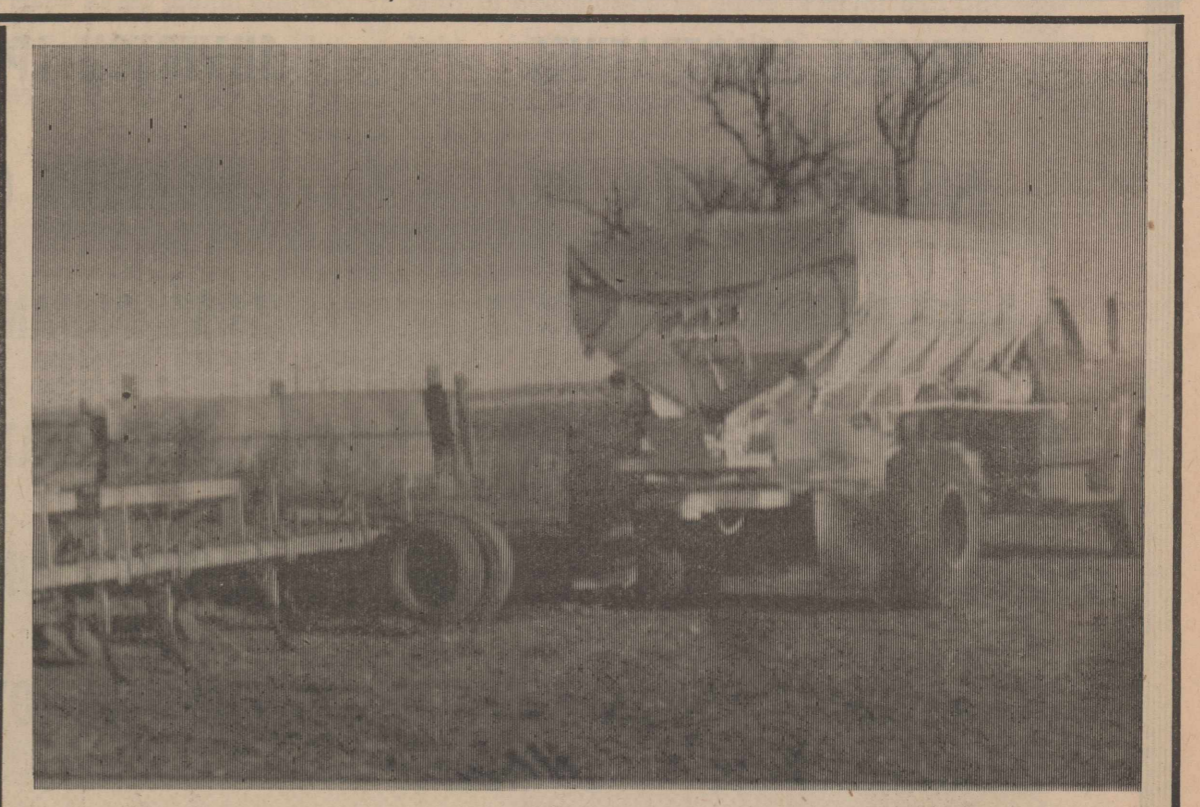
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