

**SANTA LETTERS NEEDED**

It's time for the kids to write their letters to Santa, and the Briscoe County News would like to have all of these letters for the special Christmas Edition to be published December 20.

By a special arrangement with Santa, letters brought or mailed to the Briscoe County News will be forwarded on to the North Pole in plenty of time for the elves to fill all orders before Christmas.

Deadline for the Santa letters will be December 18.

**New Rabies Law Defined By Commissioners**

House Bill 1323 passed by the 66th Legislature and signed into law June 17, 1979 by Governor Clements, to be enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas.

The Commissioners Court of Briscoe County designated Dr. James Chua Tuan, county health officer, to act as the local health authority for the purpose of this act which goes into effect January 1, 1980.

**REPORTS OF EXPOSURE TO RABIES.** (a) A person having knowledge of an animal bite or scratch or other attack on an individual that the person could reasonably foresee as capable of transmitting rabies, or of an animal that the person suspects is rabid, shall report the incident or animal to a local health authority of the county or the city or town in which the person lives, in which the animal is located, or in which the attack occurs. The report shall include the name and address of any victim and of the owner of the animal, if known.

(b) The owner of an animal that is reported to be rabid or to have attacked an individual, or that the owner knows or suspects to be rabid or to have attacked an individual, shall submit the animal for quarantine to the local health authority of the county or the city or town in which the owner resides.

(c) The local health authority shall investigate all reports filed under this section.

Briscoe County Commissioners' Court

**Christmas Party Held Monday Night**

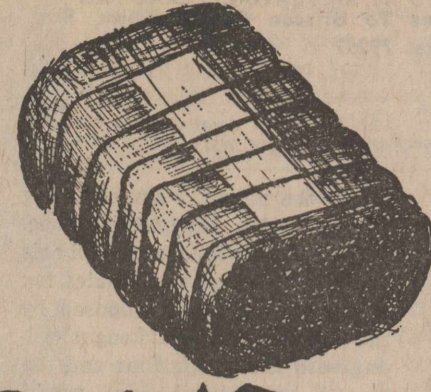
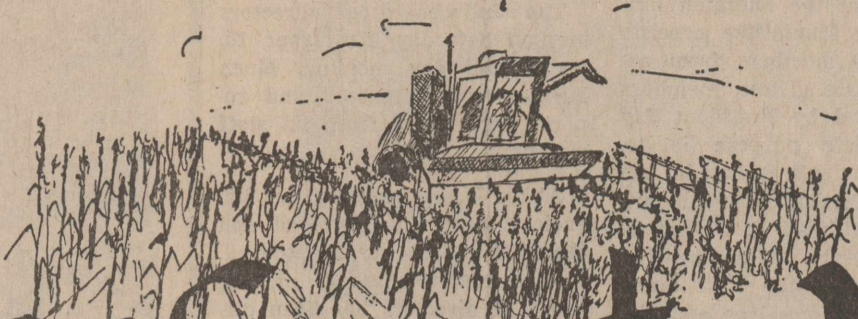
The Progressive Extension Homemakers met Monday night, December 10, in the home of Marsha Brunson for a Christmas party. Each member brought her favorite Christmas dish and a gift for her secret pal.

After a delicious meal, Dorothy Martin handed out the gifts to each one present.

The members attending the party were Denise Kellum, Sheryl Breedlove, Anita Ramsey, Sandra Smith, Roy Reed, Marsha Brunson, Nedra Hardin, Marsha Green, Lydia Couch, Annette Grady, Beverly Minyard, Debbie Weeks, Donna Rowell, Regina Atwood, Ramona Martin, Kathy Kingery, Tisa Whitfill, Reba Self, Bena Hester, Teresa Reid, Gayla Ziegler, Celia Martin, Roma Martin, Lynda Fogerson and Dorothy Martin.



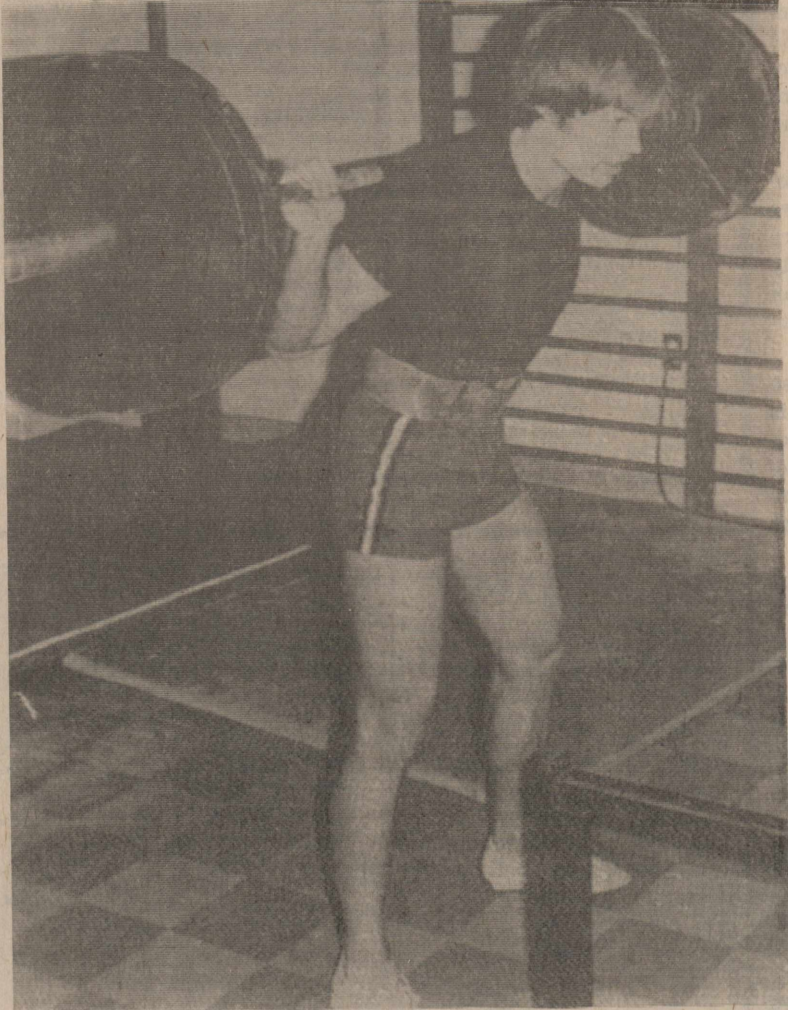
**Silverton: Home of Scenic Lake Mackenzie**



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GARY TURNER

**Powerlifting - Moving Barbells In A Self-Determination Test**

Gary Turner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Turner of Silverton, recently won honors as the YMCA "Outstanding Lifter," and is on his way to becoming a nationally-competitive powerlifter.

A graduate of Silverton High School with the Class of 1977, Turner is a student at West Texas State University.

"The top lifters don't reach their peak until they're past 30," Turner says. At the age of 20, he has already put in four years of training.

"You gradually have to build up your strength and that takes time. I figure I've got 15 more years to get to my top lifts." Turner, who said he gained 50 pounds (from 115 to 165) during his first year of workouts, is well on his way to becoming a nationally-competitive powerlifter. He lifted 390 pounds in the squat, 245 off the bench, and deadlifted an even 500 pounds for a total of 1135 at the recent Amarillo YMCA Powerlift Championships. The efforts earned him the meet's "Outstanding Lifter Award."

"I got into it after I broke my arm playing football (at Silverton)," Turner explained. "It started as just a means to get my

arm back in shape, but I found I enjoyed it and have been lifting ever since."

Powerlifting competition comes secondary to most lifting addicts. Most began for injury rehabilitation or body building purposes.

Once technique is perfected, warmups become paramount to preventing injury and attaining maximum lifts.

"Warmup actually builds strength," Turner explained. "You warmup with repetitions of lighter weights (20 or 25 percent of maximum), and get loose and strong for your top lifts."

The sport of powerlifting started more than 20 years ago, and has become popular over the last decade. It's three lifts — deadlift, squat and bench press — are performed slower. And since the bar is not dropped, training can be done in more places than Olympic style.

In the squat (sometimes called the knee bend), the bar is set behind the shoulders, with the feet side-by-side at shoulder's length apart. The lifter then squats down so his knees break the parallel position, and raises up to the standing position.

For the bench press, the bar is lowered off a platform to the chest, and on signal, the lifter raises the bar to arm's length. Deadlifting requires the bar to be lifted off the floor to arm's length.

Championship competition is divided into 11 weight classes, ranging from 114½-123 pounds to 242½-and-up for super heavy-weight. It takes a three lift total of more than 1,100 pounds to win an international meet in the lowest weight class, while the super heavies can raise more than a ton in three lifts.

But it takes years of workouts to attain that level.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sarchet visited Saturday in the home of her mother, Mrs. J. M. Hill, in Tulla with Mr. and Mrs. Ken Sarchet and Brandon, Kim Sarchet and three of Ken's friends, all of whom live in Lubbock. The men hunted pheasants, and bagged their limit early in the day.

**Former Resident Featured in Article**

Mrs. Linda Wells, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Jones of Silverton, was featured in the "Patchwork" column written by Louise Harper for the Plainview Reporter - News last week.

"What appears to be the end . . . may really be a new beginning" reads a small plaque in my Sunday School room. This saying aptly applies to my life this past year," said Linda of 1303 Itasca, a young widow with two teenage children and a recent newcomer to Plainview.

A year ago (December 6), Linda's husband of 19 years was killed in a tragic accident, leaving her somewhat numb and with two children to rear: Douglas, then 14, and Susan, 13. After selling her business and home in Fort Worth, she decided to settle in Plainview, to be nearer her sister, Mrs. Bill (Evelyn) Verden of Earth, and her retired parents residing in Silverton where Linda grew up and attended school.

Without warning and overnight Linda's lifestyle was drastically changed. "Suddenly . . . I was making all the decisions by myself . . . I became both parent. It was heavy . . . it took me a while . . . I was in shock. It was scary," Linda added. "Luckily I had good professional help in business decisions."

"My husband was one of the leading hair stylists in Fort Worth. In 1962, we purchased our own 16-operator shop naming it Reggie's Coiffures. I worked as a receptionist and bookkeeper until I stopped to have our children.

"Prior to that, I was associated with the Fair Department Store . . . one of the largest stores there, managing three departments . . . with an offer to train me as a buyer. Later they sold out to Titches, still going under the Fair name.

"After the children were born, I returned to work in our shop and as an added incentive, I set up a gift bar in the shop selling fine jewelry and original art."

**A HASTY NEW BEGINNING** What prompted Linda to take up roots, moving to another town to pioneer a new life? What in her background gave her the independent spirit to make a new beginning? She answered, "Circumstances alter our actions . . . when you have to do something

. . . you do it. I felt we needed to be removed from all past associations and memories."

Background stability? "My parents . . . and a sobering bout with rheumatic fever in the third grade, missing a whole year of school . . . gave me this. Too, every decision seemed right . . . it wasn't an ego trip."

"I was advised not to be hasty in making my decision to sell out and move. I wanted friends and family to be around if I needed them . . . but not to become my leaning posts."

**"THERE IS NO LOOKING BACK"**

Linda explained that nothing in life had prepared her to become a widow. But, the tests in life do come. "If everything doesn't work out for us . . . and some failure comes . . . I'll try again." She added, "I'm not a quitter . . . if I get down I'm not about to stay there. You might call me the Unsinkable Molly Brown . . . I don't believe in giving up."

She said she has completely reorganized her life and the evidence seems to be there. She elaborated, "There is no looking back. Every phase of my life is changed. All past ties are gone. For all practical purposes I've had to start all over again."

She admitted, however, it's easier said than done. "You only do this one day at a time. I pray and talk to myself a lot . . . and stay busy." She smiled, "I've never been one who could sit and do nothing."

**GOING BACK TO SCHOOL**

New roots, long healthy roots include a home, new friends and going back to school. "I feel very strongly the Lord led the children and me to Plainview. Everything has fallen into place so beautifully. We have a lovely home and many new friends. The children are both in the school band and church choirs." Linda has enrolled at the Regional Occupational Center studying office management and accounting. She laughed, "Going back to school after all these years is great . . . even if my kids do keep close tabs on my grades."

"Kinda impulsive," Linda said might describe her. "I enjoy doing special things for people and wish I had a million dollars to buy gifts." She is fiercely trying

**Junior Club Extends Greetings, Appreciation**

L. O. A. Junior Study Club sends Christmas greetings and thank you to the people of Silverton. We appreciate so very much your response to the project of decorating our city for the holiday season. You have all been very generous and supportive in this effort. We especially appreciate the generosity of Century of Progress Study Club, First State Bank, Silverton Lions Club, The City of Silverton and the Silverton Young Homemakers. Each of these groups contributed enough to the decoration fund to purchase a complete decoration. This is wonderful for all of us who are enjoying the beauty of these efforts.

We also want to recognize the hard work of Lee Clay and Bryant Eddleman who helped to install the decorations.

The funds for the Christmas Greeting Page will complete paying for our holiday decorations and any funds collected over this amount already spent, will be used to purchase more decorations to be put up next year around the courthouse square.

We hope you are all enjoying

to be an independent person. This summer she hopes to take tennis and swimming lessons. She enjoys putting vegetables in the freezer and doing home canning. One other thing, she wants to resume oil painting in the future.

**"DON'T PUT IT OFF"**

What is the lesson to be learned from sudden tragedy? Linda said it has taught her several things. "One: you can be lonely in a crowd of people. Another: tell someone you appreciate them when they do something for you." She warned, "Don't put it off."

Linda said if she could advise young people she would encourage them to put more emphasis on early education, getting as much as possible. She added, "This is the emphasis I give my children."

And, too, she told me, "I've copied those words from the plaque in my Sunday School room and read them almost every day . . . 'What appears to be the end . . . may really be the beginning.'"

**Silverton School Honor Roll**

- Second Six Weeks
- SENIORS — Jennifer Martin, Lisa Childress, Karen Martin
- JUNIOR—Penny Cogdell
- SOPHOMORES—None
- FRESHMEN—Judy Northcutt, Jeni Denton, Rank Cogdell
- EIGHTH GRADE—None
- SEVENTH GRADE — Alesha Patton
- SIXTH GRADE—Kristy Fogerson
- FIFTH GRADE — Corey Robertson, Suzann Settle
- FOURTH GRADE — Carey Blackerby
- THIRD GRADE — Keely Burson, Tara Nance
- SECOND GRADE—Jana Kitchens, Anthony Minyard, Tracy Tomlin

- First Quarter
- SENIORS — Jennifer Martin, Lisa Childress, Karen Martin, Marilyn Patrick
- JUNIOR—Penny Cogdell
- SOPHOMORES—None
- FRESHMAN—Jeni Denton
- EIGHTH GRADE—None
- SEVENTH GRADE—None
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- FIFTH GRADE—Corey Robertson, Suzann Settle
- FOURTH GRADE — Juannah Woods, Carey Blackerby
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**Farmers Union To Meet Thursday**

There will be a Farmers Union meeting at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 18, in the Pioneer Room at the First State Bank in Silverton.

the beauty of our city in its "Christmas dressings." Thank you for your generosity.

L. O. A. Junior Study Club

**Baby Buried Last Thursday**

Jeremy Lee Deragon, nine-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony L. Deragon of 1313 North Withers in Amarillo, died Monday night of last week, and services were conducted at 2:00 p.m. December 6.

The baby was born February 6, 1979.

He is survived by his parents; a brother, Christopher, two years old; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Phillips, all of Amarillo and Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Greathouse of Ogdon, Utah; great-grandparents, Mrs. Esther E. McLeland, Jim Miller and Mrs. L. E. Berry, all of Amarillo and Mrs. Inez Greathouse of Oregon.

Jeremy Deragon was a great-nephew of Mrs. Bud Perkins and Mrs. Ott Perkins. Mrs. Ott Perkins attended the funeral last Thursday.

**New Arrival**

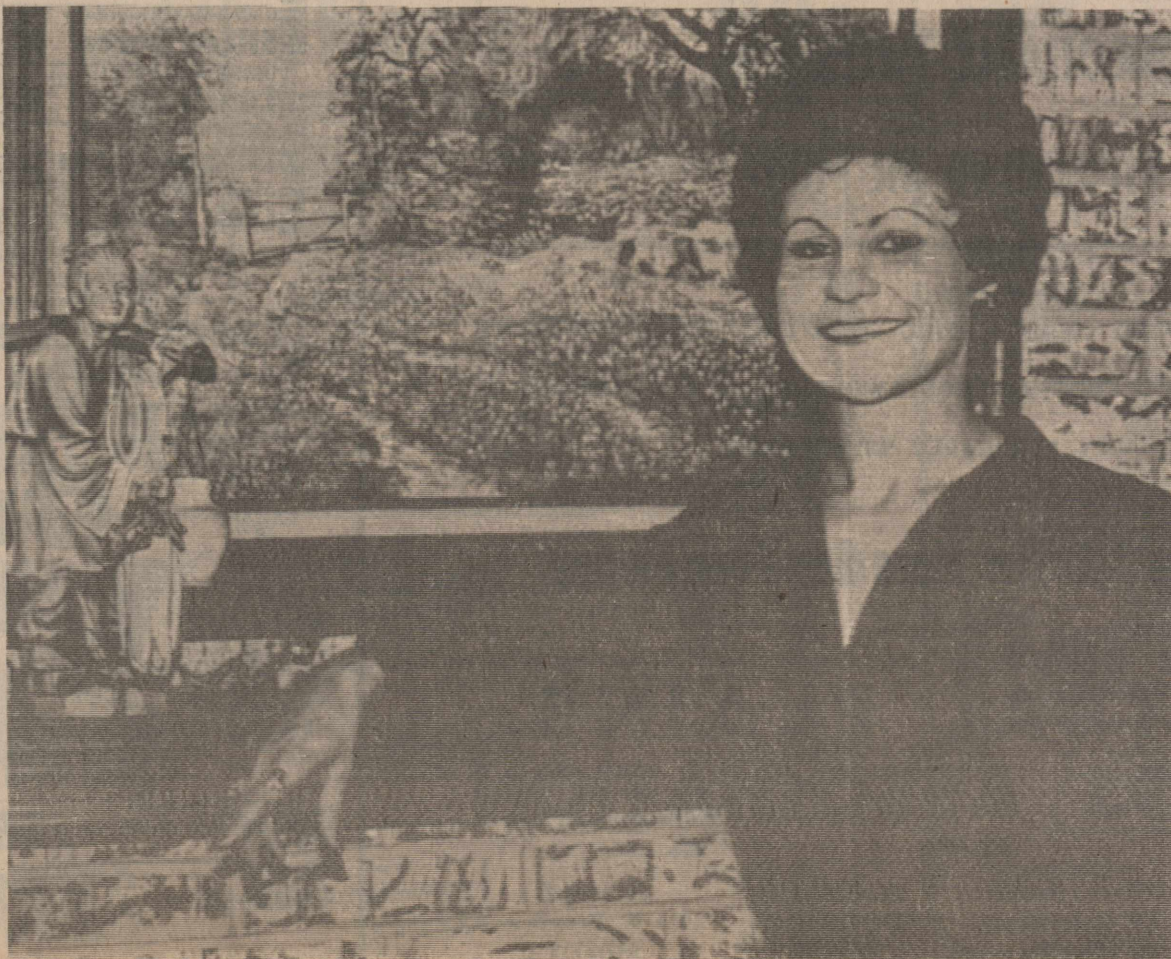
Mr. and Mrs. Ken Wood are parents of a son, Leland Chaney, born Thursday, December 6, at High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo. He weighed six pounds 14½ ounces, and measured 20½ inches long.

Grandparents are Mrs. Leland Wood of Silverton, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Reynolds of Canyon and Mrs. Lou Frazier of Amarillo. Great grandparents are Floyd Shipman of Abernathy, Mrs. Helen Reynolds of Canyon and Mrs. Gertie Todd of Borger.

O. R. Stark, jr. of Quitaque visited Glenn and Sylvia Allen Tuesday afternoon of last week. A tour was made of the canyon area. Both Mr. Stark and the Allens are very interested in wildlife. Mr. Allen says Mr. Stark looks real good and is improving daily.

Mrs. Bill Durham returned home Tuesday after having undergone minor surgery at Central Plains Hospital in Plainview.

Oford King underwent open heart surgery at High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo this week. He suffered a heart attack last Friday.



LINDA WELLS

**Silverton Senior Citizens**

**CHRISTMAS PARTY**

6:00 p.m.

Friday, December 14

**Christmas Program**

Singing - Games



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## DEAR EDITOR:

In 1961 state government turned to the sales tax as a means of getting out of the property tax business.

The tax has proven to be a strong backbone for state government's financial operations. It can continue to be our strong suit—so long as we don't abandon the state's right and ability to turn to it when needed.

But we will abandon that right and that ability if we let the cities, the schools and the counties saddle the sales tax with every increase and every new sales tax proposal they are making.

As Mike Kingston said in the "Dallas Morning News," we would be facing the highest sales tax in the nation.

## TEXAS ALMANACS FOR SALE

Briscoe County News

tax in the nation. I am enclosing a copy of Mr. Kingston's article.

Even if you ignore the schools and the counties, a city sales tax of three percent as proposed by the Texas Municipal League (along with the state's four and the transit authorities' one) would put us at eight percent—a number matched only by that financial genius New York City.

At that rate we lose forever the ability of the state to turn again to the sales tax, and we lose the ability of Texas business to compete with our neighboring states, the rest of the Sunbelt, and all other major industrial states—all of whom have lower sales taxes.

Should that come about, there is no doubt that we would ultimately be looking at a state income tax. It has already happened in 45 other states.

Our neighbor Louisiana is a good example. Louisiana's local governments depend on their three percent sales tax for 42 percent of their local tax income. By comparison, Texas cities get 8.8 percent of their local tax income from the sales tax. Hand-in-hand, the state of Louisiana has an income tax and leans on it for 19 percent of the state's tax income.

But most of all, I can't believe the taxpayers of Texas are willing to take on such a drastic increase in the sales tax. Business pays some 58 percent of all sales tax and I don't believe the business community wants such a tremendous increase.

## F. U. Task Force, Directors Meet

On November 9, Farmers Union Task Force Committee met in Abilene at the Sheraton Inn. This GRO Committee consists of about 10 members from across the state. These members are appointed by President Jay Naman. Their purpose is to make an in-depth study in the state organization. This committee meets with all F. U. department proposals. After hearing their proposals, the staff members excuse themselves and the committee evaluates what we are trying to do and recommends any changes that would be helpful to this organization. So far

the T.F.U. resolution also reads that if legislative action is taken to improvise a better administrative and democratic procedure, "that Texas Farmers Union will once again cooperate as an interest group."

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put in place to assure accountability of the program and use of funds to producers."

The next meeting will be in January at Corpus Christi, one day prior to the state convention.

The member from this district is Virgil Blakney.

The full board of directors met on Saturday, November 10, for an all day meeting. Much business was discussed and reports were heard from all staff members.

At the board meeting the financial report was approved and the 1980 budget was adopted.

A formal resolution of the board of directors has been directed to members of congress and officials of the USDA calling for legislative action to amend the federal program, preferably to a one-man, one-vote system of election of cotton farmers to administer the program.

Part of that resolution reads "we feel that the Cotton Research and Promotion Program must reflect the views of the farmers who are paying for it . . . it is vital that the entire program be responsive to the views of farmers and that farmers have the right to democratically select their representatives on the Cotton Board and Cotton, Incorporated."

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Miss Emma Loyce Huggins, 61, who died Sunday was a niece of

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hutsell. Mr. and Mrs. Hutsell and Flute Hutsell were in Lockney Tuesday afternoon to attend the services.

A retired X-ray technician, Miss Huggins was born in Silvertown in 1918.

## Boxed Assortments CHRISTMAS CARDS Briscoe County News

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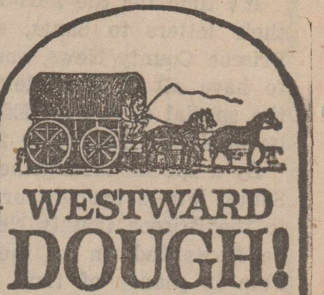


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## Briscoe County Farmers To Discuss Cotton Insect Control

A meeting of Briscoe County cotton producers to examine available options for establishing an integrated pest management program for next season will be held in Silvertown Thursday, December 13.

The meeting at the First State Bank will begin at 7:00 p.m.

County Extension Agent Earnest Kiker said. It is being co-sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and the Silvertown Young Farmers. Dr. James F. Leser, Extension Area Cotton Entomologist from Lubbock, will explain different ways of setting up insect scouting programs in the county, what they will cost, and what they will provide the farmer, Kiker said.

For the past three years boll-worm damage in Briscoe County has been pretty severe, Leser said. "We need good attendance of farmers at this meeting to discuss their needs and detail possible solutions to this problem."

The meeting was scheduled by Kiker after producers, especially those atop the Caprock, expressed concern because of the problem.

### As A Man Thinketh

Gerald Beasley

HALF - BAKED

In Hosea, Ephraim is a term applied to the ten tribes of the ancient Northern Kingdom of Israel. God "would heal Israel," but their iniquity abounded as "their own doings beset them about." "Woe unto them! for they have wandered from me."

"Ephraim is like a silly dove, without understanding." "Ephraim is a cake not turned!" (Hosea 7:8). In other words, Ephraim was half-baked!

This probably refers to the fact that they claimed to be God's chosen people, yet mixed wickedly with the heathen about them. They worshipped, but at the wrong place in the wrong way. They were devoid of genuineness, dependability, integrity, steadfastness. They were half-baked.

In spiritual carelessness and immaturity one can be "tossed to and fro" (Eph. 4:14). One can "love the glory that is of men more than the glory that is of God" (John 12:43). One can be carnal and babyish (I Cor. 3:1). One can have a sadly uncontrolled tongue (James 3). One can be half-baked.

Conversely, one can have the mind of Christ (Phillip. 2:5). He can "grow in the grace and knowledge of the Lord" (II Pet. 3:18). He can be "transformed by the renewing of his mind" (Rom. 12:2).

One does not need to remain half-baked!

### Silvertown School Lunchroom Menu

#### MONDAY

Frito Pie, Blackeyed Peas, Corn, Bread, Pineapple Cobbler, Milk

#### TUESDAY

Turkey and Dressing, Frozen Peas, Bread, Fruit Salad, Milk

#### WEDNESDAY

Chicken Salad Sandwiches, French Fries, Bread, Apples, Milk

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# Owls Did Well In Ralls Tournament

According to Coach Jerry Watson, the Owls did well in the Ralls Tournament even though they represented the only Class B team entered. In their first outing on Thursday, the Owls lost to Ralls by four points, 42-38. They won their second game from Lubbock Cooper, 47-41, but dropped their game Saturday to Littlefield, 74-45.

"The team didn't play well in the first half against Littlefield, and fell 24 points behind," Watson said. "But the Owls came back in the second half and were outscored only five points. Littlefield didn't have an especially tall team, but had a lot of quickness. Our players would be open, but by the time we got the ball to them Littlefield was there."

Kelly Comer was the leading scorer for the Owls in their loss to Ralls with 11 points. Nick McJimsey was right behind him with 10. Other scoring was by Paul Brannon, eight; Mark Brown and Bobby McPherson, four each, and Mark Patton, one point.

Owls 7 12 26 38  
Ralls 6 22 30 42

Brown and Comer tied for scoring honors with 10 points each in the second round of the tournament. McPherson and Russell Couch canned eight points each; Brannon got six;

Diji Couch, four; McJimsey, two, and Patton, one. The Owls led at the end of each period, and advanced to the third round of the tournament.

Owls 14 18 32 47  
Lubbock Cooper 8 16 30 41

Patton led the offense by scoring eight points against Littlefield. Comer and Russell Couch tossed in seven points each; Brannon, six; Brown, five; Diji Couch and McPherson, four each; Bill Denton, three, and McJimsey, one point.

Owls 10 20 33 45  
Littlefield 17 44 56 74

The Owlettes were badly outscored by Ralls in the first round of the tournament, 64-25, but came back in the second round and were defeated only 45-38 by Floydada on Friday.

Against Ralls, Sally Northcutt led the scoring with 10 points. Also adding to the point total were Staci Mayfield, four; Shelly Harris and Susie Tipton, three points each; Katy Francis and Rose Lee Perkins, two points each, and Missy Brown, one point.

Owlettes 6 11 17 25  
Ralls 11 23 41 64

The Owlettes scored better in their game against Floydada. Staci Mayfield put 14 points on the board to take scoring honors and Sally Northcutt also scored in double figures with 11. Ad-

ding to the score were Connie Rowell, five; Rose Lee Perkins and Katy Francis, three points each, and Shelly Harris, two points.

Owlettes 13 18 21 38  
Floydada 12 24 32 45

On Tuesday night of last week, the varsity teams dropped a pair of games to Hedley, the Owlettes losing 39-32 and the Owls suffering a 51-31 defeat.

There was a three-way tie for scoring honors between Staci Mayfield, Sally Northcutt and Katy Francis, each of whom was credited with eight points. Rose Lee Perkins added four points, Connie Rowell and Shelly Harris got two points each.

Owlettes 4 13 19 32  
Hedley 15 21 29 39

Kelly Comer led the scoring with 11 points to lead the Owl offense. Mark Brown and Paul Brannon tied with six points each; Russell Couch, three; Bobby McPherson and Nicky McJimsey, two each, and Diji Couch, one point.

Owls 10 18 23 31  
Hedley 13 29 37 51

The junior varsity Owls took a big 43-6 victory over Hedley, led offensively by Kelly McMurtry who made 11 points. Other scoring was by Jimmy Stone, eight; Shane Reagan, six; Casey Bean, five; Kyle Couch, four; Scott Bowman, three; Brandon Jarrett, Gary Juarez and Blaine Eddleman, two points each.

Owl JV 16 25 28 43  
Hedley 2 4 4 6

Next games for the varsity Owls and Owlettes will be at Lakeview Tuesday, December 18, beginning at 6:30 p.m. The teams will be playing in a tournament at Claude January 3-4-5.

# Waste Not, Want Not, Buy Not

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Mozelle Cross, who spent the Depression days as a youngster in Silverton in West Texas, came to Dallas with her husband in 1954. The couple has two children and two grandchildren.

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by Mozelle Cross  
Reprinted from  
Scene Magazine

It is hard to imagine the big Depression of the 1930's as being a blessing, but I feel that having been raised during that time helps me in today's world, whereas so many people nowadays are experiencing an economic jolt which they can't understand. Since they are accustomed to buying unnecessary items, they continue to do so at ridiculously high prices—even when the daily news deals consistently with inflation and recession. A dress that sold for 20 to 25 dollars a few years ago now sells for 50 to 75 dollars. Yet people buy them when they have closets full of clothes in good condition and still very chic. This type of buying is seen also in housing, cars, food, entertainment and other areas as well.

As a result, we feel that since we pay higher prices, we should have salary increases to meet the additional expenses. Every salary increase adds to the cost of the product or service, so it becomes a vicious circle. Prices go up, so we get a raise, which

causes prices to go up again, causing us to seek another raise. The cycle also applies to municipal, state and federal services in the form of tax increases.

Having experienced the Depression, I find it easier to cut down on spending today. My father was a physically handicapped sharecropper farmer. When I started to school, I had one school dress which my mother rinsed out at night for me to wear the next day. I was raised with the thought, "If you don't need it, don't buy it."

The law of supply and demand is what made America a strong, wealthy country. It can still work today—even in the energy crisis—if we let it. "If we don't need it, don't buy it" is a workable rule that keeps demand within reason, and I believe oil companies and other energy sources can supply our necessary demands, if we abide by it. Thousands of people on fixed incomes cannot cope with today's continual price spiral caused by demands for higher wages, followed by higher prices. In many cases, the result is longer welfare rolls, causing further tax increases. Perhaps all of us should experience that Depression learning process—to think about whether or not we really need a product before we buy it.

## New Texas ASCS Chief Confirmed

Secretary of Agriculture Bob Bergland confirmed Stephen J. Pringle as the new Texas ASCS State Executive Director, as of December 2.

Pringle, a Bryan resident, has been with the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service since September of this year, serving as a consultant to the U. S. Department of Agriculture as Assistant to the Texas State ASC Committee.

Prior to joining ASCS, Pringle

held the post of assistant to the President of Texas A&M University, directing the University's government relations program at both the State and Federal levels and providing liaison between private industrial groups and the University President, Jarvis Miller.

Speaking for the State ASC Committee, Committee Chairperson John D. Smith of Sudan said Pringle was the right man for the job. "His management qualifications are excellent, and his background is oriented to agriculture. He has served as a Staff Consultant to the Committee on

Agriculture with the U. S. House of Representatives in Washington, D. C., and also served as assistant to the Director of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station in College Station."

Pringle was born in Marlin in 1949. Upon his graduation from Hubbard High School in 1967, he attended Texas A&M University where he received a bachelor of arts in finance. Pringle also attended Baylor University in Waco as well as George Washington University in Washington, D. C. Prior to his career commitment, he served in the Army as a first lieutenant.

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## Club to Celebrate Yuletide Season

The Yuletide Season will be celebrated by L. O. A. Junior Study Club when the members meet in the home of Darrah McCammon Monday, December 17 at 7:00 p.m. Each member is urged to attend to share in the food, fellowship and fun.

## Junior High Owlettes Defeat Happy

The junior high Owlettes earned a big victory over the Happy Cowgirls Monday night at Happy. The Owlettes outscored Happy 16-2 in the first quarter, and went on to win 32-18.

Shea Green led the offense with 16 points, 10 of which she scored in the first quarter while completely intimidating Happy. "Shea was just killing them out there," said Coach Sally Wulbrecht. Other scoring was by Rita Denton and Donna Boling, four points each; Alesha Patton, three; Michella Gee, Lisa Lavy and Angie Lowrey, two each, and Tammi Edwards, one point.

Owlettes 16 24 27 32  
Happy 2 6 8 18

The seventh grade Owls dropped their game 53-25, and the eighth grade Owls lost by one point, 28-27, with their big man sitting on the bench with five fouls.

Jim Forbes led the scoring for the eighth grade with 11 points. Warren Jarrett added seven points; Cary Fleming, five, and Monroe Hill, four.

8th Owls 1 17 21 27  
Happy 10 15 24 28

Scott Davis led the scoring for the seventh grade with a big 17 points. Other scoring was by Chris Clardy and Ross Estes, who tossed in four points each.

7th Owls 6 11 15 25  
Happy 8 20 41 53

Next games for the junior high teams will be in the Estelline Tournament today, Friday and Saturday.

Both the Owls and Owlettes drew a bye for the first round of the tournament, and will automatically advance into the winners' bracket. They will play the winners of the Chillicothe-Harold games, the Owlettes at 6:00 p.m. and the Owls at 7:15 p.m. Friday. The other teams in the tournament are Estelline, McLean, Hedley and Lakeview.

They will play Valley here next Monday, with three games scheduled to begin at 5:00 p.m.

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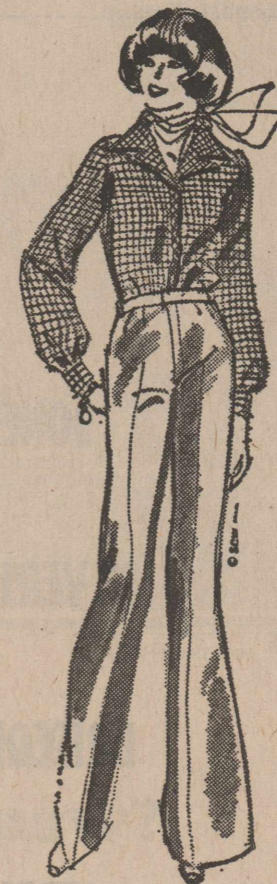
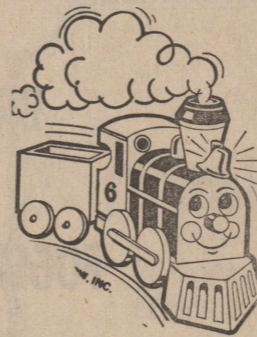
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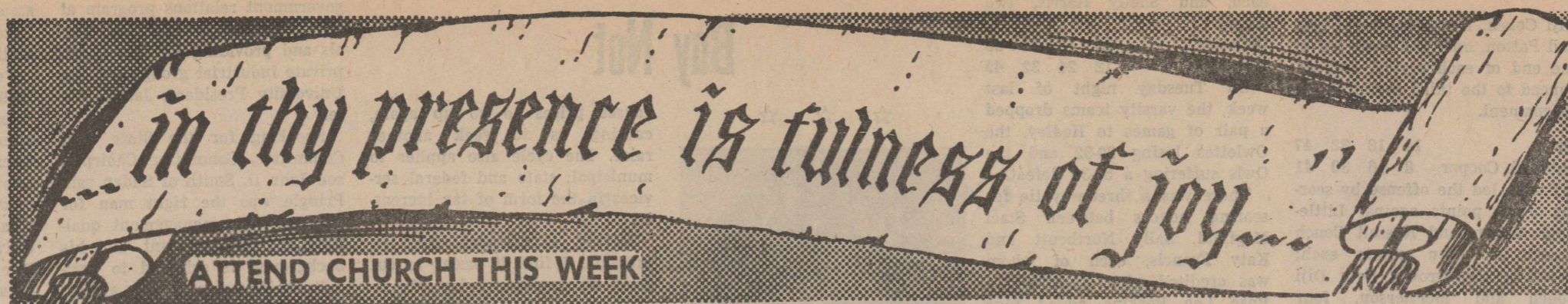
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Morning Worship.....10:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.

**Wednesday**  
Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.



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**Sunday**  
Library Opens.....9:15 a.m.  
Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service.....11:00 a.m.  
Library Opens.....4:30 p.m.  
Youth Choir.....4:30 p.m.  
Training Union.....5:00 p.m.  
Mission Friends, G.A. and R.A.....5:00 p.m.  
Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.

**Second Monday**  
Night W.M.S.....7:00 p.m.

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W. M. S. ....9:30 a.m.

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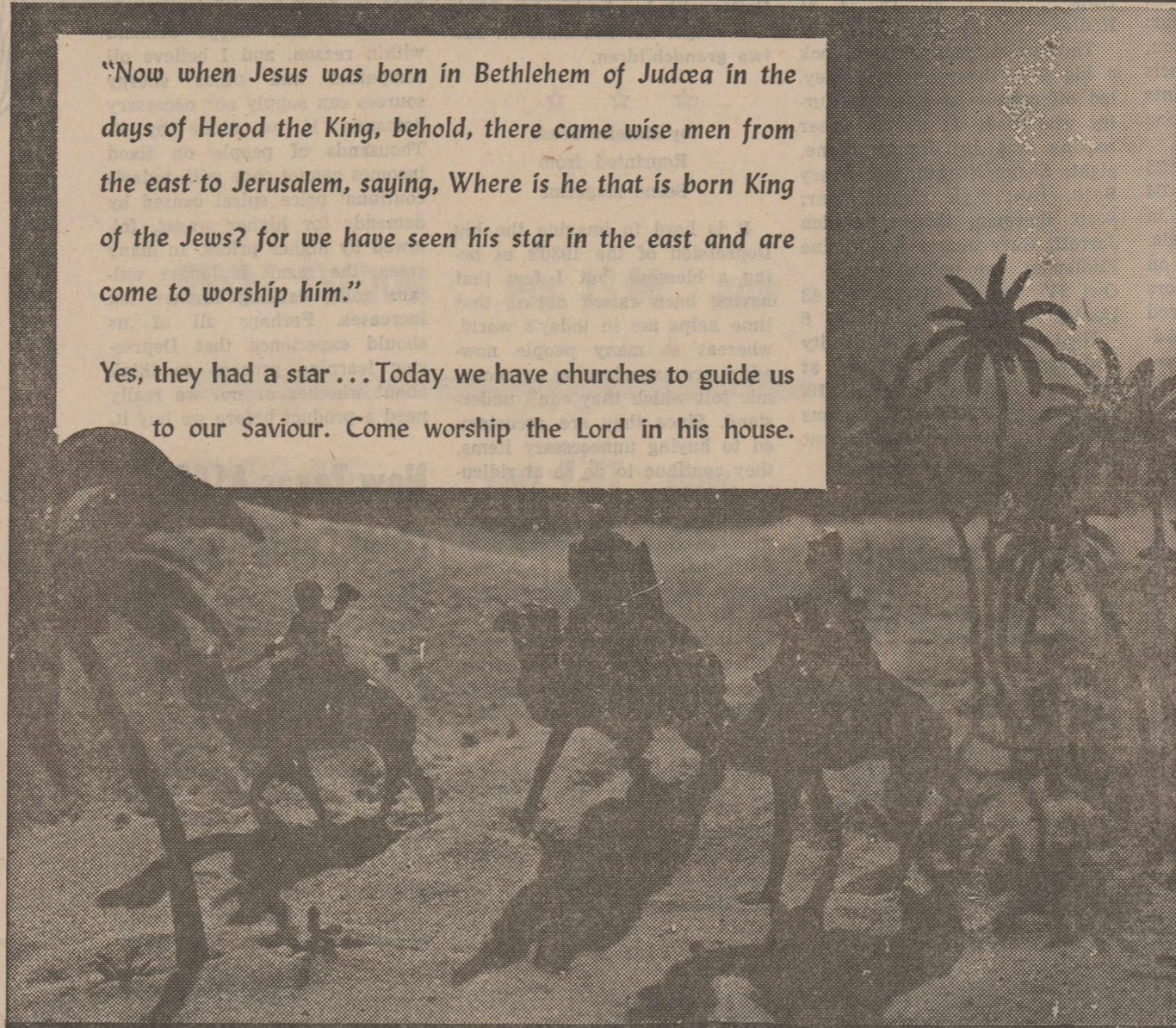


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crease in the pheasant population since we started the surveys (more than 10 years ago)," Dvorak said. "And it's because of those counts in September and October that we decided to lengthen the season this year." Pheasant hunters should have little trouble finding birds. The TP&WD surveys indicate a 52-percent overall increase in the Texas Panhandle pheasant popu-

lation. Hunting in some Briscoe County areas is reported not as good as in years past, and this is probably due in part to the heavy rains which destroyed the birds' nests. Some say that the pheasants nested again after the rains, but this crop of birds would still be too young. There aren't as many farmers raising grain crops and leaving cover for the game birds in this area.

The highest counts were registered in central Deaf Smith County, where that 20-mile line indicated more than 10 birds per mile. Dallam County ranks second with 5.6 pheasants counted per mile, while Sherman County counts indicate 2.2 birds per mile.

A Castro County survey showed the highest increase over a year ago, counting 326 percent more birds. Other big increases were found in Hansford (314 percent), Hartley (215), Swisher (159), Sherman-Moore (153), Floyd-Hale (136) and Deaf Smith (102) county areas.

"Some of the increases are a little misleading because some of those areas really didn't have many birds until the last couple of years," Dvorak added. "But it's a real good sign that the conditions for pheasants still exist."

Noted for the spectacular plumage of the cock, the Asia native began drifting down from the stubble fields of the Oklahoma Panhandle during the late 1940's, and Dallam County was rewarded with the first Texas hunting season in 1958. The TP&WD estimates that approximately 22,200 hunters bagged 26,143 pheasants during last year's 16-day season, which was down from an estimated 25,500 hunters harvesting 27,800 birds in 1977.

"We just didn't have the num-

ber of hunters that we had previously," Dvorak said. "But last year it was way below freezing for the opening weekend, and it scared a lot of people off. It certainly wasn't because there weren't birds out there."

The most popular method of pheasant hunting is for a group to form a line and systematically walk a field from end to end. It is not uncommon to spot a cock along a back road, but usually they must be flushed.

Hunters without dogs face the problem of passing over birds which will fly only as a last resort, and it is recommended that those sans a dog should walk slowly and make a lot of noise to let the pheasants get nervous. Using chains is prohibited this year.

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