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Commissioners Have Special Meeting

Shannon Wilburn made the first presentation on behalf of Archer & Archer and Briscoe County Processing, Inc. at the special meeting of the Briscoe County Commissioners Monday morning.

"As you know, the grant which was supposed to be approved April 1 was postponed and the reasoning behind this was that it is sometimes difficult dealing with state government people when a clerk can really tie your hands in a lot of different ways. The reason behind the refusal the first time was that the man we were working with—the one you sent your letters to—he and I disagreed with certain points of finances. They would not go on the basis of what Archer & Archer has coming in from license agreements, and they won't go on cash flow the plant will produce and so in a lot of things, they put the cart before the horse. That's how I describe it. One of their objections for the grant refusal is that we don't have contracts in hand for peanuts and sunflower seeds. I explained to him that we may not have contracts but the next best thing in that we have letters of intent from the people who have peanuts and sunflower seeds, that once they saw the plant in operation and once they saw it

was doing what it was supposed to do then they will be glad to write the contracts. The letter of intent was to show they had the contracts available, and I told him at the time that people were contacting us to say they have two truckloads a week that need to be processed and are wondering when we will be in operation. I was explaining to them about the grant package and these same people have been through the grant procedure before just like we're doing now. They understood exactly the situation. They told me ahead of time that we were running into some pretty stiff problems in Austin and I didn't believe them but they've made a believer out of me now. Now we're up to three truckloads. They called us two weeks ago and said we have three truckloads a week now that we are having to send to Virginia. When can you be in operation? And so I said, well the grant package at Silverton has been postponed. I said we're working on a deal now where we can take one of our cookie ovens and place it in a building at Hereford that is long enough to place an oven there that we can temporarily set up to do the salting and roasting, and start with our contracts because every load they send to Virginia, they

have to pay the freight out there and they have to pay the freight back. And to have us in this area to do what they need one is a great asset to these people. But Austin would not go on a letter of intent, one of their reasons being that they want contracts in hand and I feel funny about having somebody commit to a contract when there's not even a plant established. You can understand the business aspects of that. But once we get going in Hereford on a limited basis we'll have actual contracts in hand so that should take care of that," Wilburn said.

"There are some other finances that Archer & Archer as a company is stretched pretty thin and has all sorts of rumors—that we have gone bankrupt; someone said a car from New Mexico had come through and the people said that Glen had gone bankrupt. And I got a quick phone call on that end of it, so I said I don't think so but I'll make a call to be sure, and I called Glen and he said no, he sure hadn't heard that rumor. He says that things are going fine and he's still processing peanuts over at Arch, New Mexico, just this side of Portales and doing a wonderful job. So all those things, if you've heard

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A record-breaking crowd was on hand for the Malone-Grabbe auction sale last Saturday. It was estimated that at least 3,500 attended, coming from New Mexico, Colorado, California, Alaska, Maine, Oregon and many parts of Texas. Antique car collectors grabbed up the old models that were offered for sale, and many other antique cars were seen on the grounds with "for sale" signs on them.



Daniel Reagan and Ryan Minyard are practicing their stick-horse riding skills for the Little Wrangler Rodeo to be held Saturday, May 7, at 7:00 p.m. at Wood Memorial Arena.

Little Wrangler Rodeo Being Finalized

All plans are being finalized and practicing is underway now for the annual Little Wrangler Rodeo and Fun Night. Entry forms have been sent home with

all the students and should be turned back in by April 29. If you haven't filled out your entry form, please do so and bring it to the school cafeteria on Friday, April 29, between 3:00 and 4:00 p.m. or mail it to Sheila Reagan, Box 416, Silverton, Texas 79257.

No entry form is required to participate in the three free events, which include the boot scramble, greased pig contest and cowchip throwing contest.

Concessions will be sold during the rodeo, so don't worry about supper. Bring your mother and grandmother and join Silverton PTA for a Pre-Mother's Day night out on Saturday, May 7, at 7:00 p.m. at Wood Memorial Arena in Silverton.

Commissioner Announces His Resignation

Commissioner Beryl Long authorized the Briscoe County News to print the following announcement Tuesday morning. "It is with regret that I announce my resignation as commissioner of Briscoe County Precinct 3. This will take effect on May 1, 1988.

"I have thoroughly enjoyed the job, and I am grateful to the people who supported me. I wish only the best for the county, and fervently hope that we can get a viable industry located here, and that we will all prosper and grow."

Game Night Is Cancelled

Briscoe County Activities Association has announced that its regular game night has been cancelled until further notice.

Neither the show barn or the school cafeteria was available for the game night this month, and the sponsoring organization will have to set the date of the next get-together.

4-H To Have Dance Saturday Night

There will be a 4-H dance after the Athletic Banquet Saturday night.

All 4-H'ers and others interested are invited to attend this event at the county show barn.

FCL Team Invites Citizens To Meet The Candidates

Tuesday, May 3, is the date set for YOU, the citizens of Silverton, to meet the people running for the Silverton City Council and the Silverton School Board.

The Pioneer Room of First State Bank will be the PLACE to be May 3 at 8:00 p.m.

The Briscoe County Family Community Leadership Team is sponsoring this opportunity for you to hear the candidates answer questions involving issues facing the City of Silverton and Silverton School System.

The team is asking that you write down any questions that you would like the candidates to answer and bring them to the meeting May 3. This method will give all of the citizens an opportunity to hear the questions answered that are of most interest to the people of the community.

Andrew Carnegie gave away 90 percent of his fortune before he died in 1911.

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OBITUARIES

VINSON SMITH

Graveside services for Andrew Vinson Smith, 67, were conducted at 11:00 a.m. Friday in the Silverton Cemetery with Ted Kingery, minister of the Silverton Church of Christ, and Earl Cantwell, minister of the Rock Creek Church of Christ, officiating. Arrangements were made by Schooler-Gordon Funeral Directors.

Mr. Smith died Wednesday morning in Amarillo.

He was born June 2, 1920 in Floyd County. He was a son of the late Joe H. and Belle Smith. He moved to Silverton from Wayside in 1934. He attended Texas Tech and served with the U. S. Army in the Philippines during World War II.

A law enforcement officer in Briscoe County for 23 years, he served as sheriff from 1965-77. He was district attorney investigator for the 110th Judicial District until his retirement last February.

He was a member of the Church of Christ, the Masonic Lodge, and was a life-time certificate holder in law enforcement.

He was married to Geraldine Montague December 28, 1939 in Silverton.



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Evening..... 7:00 p.m.

Highway Clean-Up Held Saturday

Briscoe County Activities Association met Saturday at 2:00 p.m. to observe the Great Texas Trash-Off by cleaning the two-mile stretch of Highway 86 it has adopted.

Taking part in the cleanup were Joe Brannon, Elaine Forbes, John Francis, Ashel McDaniel, Billie McDaniel, Peggy and Leo Fleming and their granddaughter, Lindsey Straley, Stan and Lynda Fogerson, Jack, Jo Ann and Justin McFall.

Small flat icebergs have been fitted with sails and piloted more than 2400 miles from the Antarctic to Valparaiso, Chile and to Cakkaiub, Peru.

SCHOOL HOMECOMING COUNTY BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION & RODEO August 12-13 in Silverton
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Survivors include his wife, Jerry; two sons, James (Jim) Smith of Amarillo and Monty Joe Smith of Huntington Beach, California; one sister, Sarah Frances Zimmel of Lignite, North Dakota; two brothers, Joe Smith of Riverside, California and J. B. Smith of Lubbock; and five grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Randy Hollums, Freeman Tate, Jack Strange, Carl Bomar, Billy Settle, Steve Jarnagin and E. A. Birdwell.

The family suggested memorials be made to the American Cancer Society.

MARCIA S. RUSH

Memorial services for Marcia S. Rush, 45, of Klamath Falls, Oregon, were conducted at 2:00 p.m. Friday, April 15, at Klamath Christian Fellowship. Pastor Bob Langfield officiated. Funeral services were at 1:30 p.m. Friday at First Baptist Church in Grants Pass, Oregon. Burial followed at Hawthorne Memorial Gardens in Grants Pass.

Mrs. Rush died Monday, April 11, in an automobile accident near Eagle Point, Oregon.

She was born April 27, 1942 in Tulia, Texas.

She moved to Grants Pass as a child and attended public schools there, graduating from Grants Pass High School. She later graduated from Eugene Beauty School.

She moved to Klamath Falls in February 1987. She owned Hair Care For Shut-Ins in Klamath Falls at the time of her death.

Mrs. Rush attended Klamath Christian Fellowship and belonged to the Bible Baptist Women's Group and Christian Women's Club.

Survivors include her husband, Don Rush, Klamath Falls; a daughter, Resa Graham, Klamath Falls; two sons, Bradley Graham, who is with the U. S. Navy in Spain, and Michael Graham, Grants Pass; her parents, William Dee and Gladys Reid, Grants Pass; two brothers, Dwaine Reid, Brownsville, Texas, and Ronald Reid, Portland, Oregon; a sister, Rheua Watkins, Hillsboro, Texas.

May Birthdays To Be Celebrated

The monthly birthday party for Silverton Senior Citizens will

begin at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, May 3, at the center.

May birthdays will be celebrated, and the hosts will be those who had birthdays in April.

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April 27, 1978—Debbie Storie qualifies for State 440-yard run . . . Melissa Greenhaw is 1978 Bob Wills Day Queen . . . Robert Rhea buried here last Friday . . . Mrs. Cleora Watson died last week after undergoing surgery twice . . . Mrs. Janie Fogerson buried in Colorado . . . Volleyball tournament to benefit volunteer ambulance service . . . Mr. and Mrs. Gary Whitfill have visited in Silverton this week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Whitfill and Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Martin. Gary has recently completed training with the Texas Department of Public Safety and has been assigned as a highway patrolman to be based in Hereford . . . Mr. and Mrs. Wade Steele have recently enjoyed a springtime visit to Hodges Gardens in Louisiana . . . JonEtta Peery to wed Brad Ziegler . . . H. A. Cagles honeymoon at Opryland in Nashville . . . Mrs. Agnes Seaney and Mrs. Zelma Lee Mayfield were winners of a 26-table Bridge tournament in Plainview. The prizes were two original paintings . . . Historical marker to be dedicated at Caprock Canyons State Park . . . Janice Diane Brickey, Dr. Rick Martin to marry . . .

April 25, 1968—Cletus Grady, jr. wins regional 440-yard dash event with a time just .2 of a second above the regional record . . . Crockett Grabbe won first in regional number sense, first in regional science and fourth in regional slide rule . . . Funeral services for John T. (Red) Gilkeyson conducted Saturday . . . Jimmie Dale Boling buried at Lubbock . . . Quitaque Chapel Choir to present musical, "Good News" . . . Mrs. Sybil Martin represented the Caprock TOPS at the Texas TOPS Convention in Fort Worth last weekend. Mrs. Martin was the Caprock TOPS Queen for 1967 . . . Silverton FFA livestock team, composed of Larry Comer, Roy Wood and Danny Vaughan, placed second out of sixty teams at West Texas State University Saturday. The dairy cattle team, composed of Gary Martin, Max Weaver and Jerry Bean, placed tenth out of fifty-four teams . . . Pvt. Douglas M. Turner, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Turner, has completed his basic training at Fort Polk, Louisiana, and has been transferred to Fort Eustis, Virginia, where he is attending a helicopter mechanic school . . . Cheerleaders for 1968-69 will be Lanis Davis, Carol Montague, Cathy Jones, Juannah Nance and Paula Montague . . .

April 24, 1958—Miss Rosa Lee Aplin is bride of Billy Jones . . . Elaine Stephens enters District FFA Sweetheart Contest . . . Mrs. Luke Thompson brought home from Amarillo hospital . . . Rev. James P. Patterson called to Lubbock because of a worsening turn in his wife's condition . . . High school honor roll included Marjorie Autry and Carson Grabbe, seniors; James Clemmer and Marsha Monroe, sophomores . . . Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Hamilton and sons of Kermit were visitors last week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Hamilton and Mr. and Mrs.

Arthur Arnold . . . Mr. and Mrs. Ware Fogerson and Stanley were in Lubbock Saturday where Stanley had a wart removed from the bottom of his foot . . . Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Badgett and Miss Virginia May spent most of Wednesday afternoon of last week getting to Lockney. They had car trouble all the way down . . .

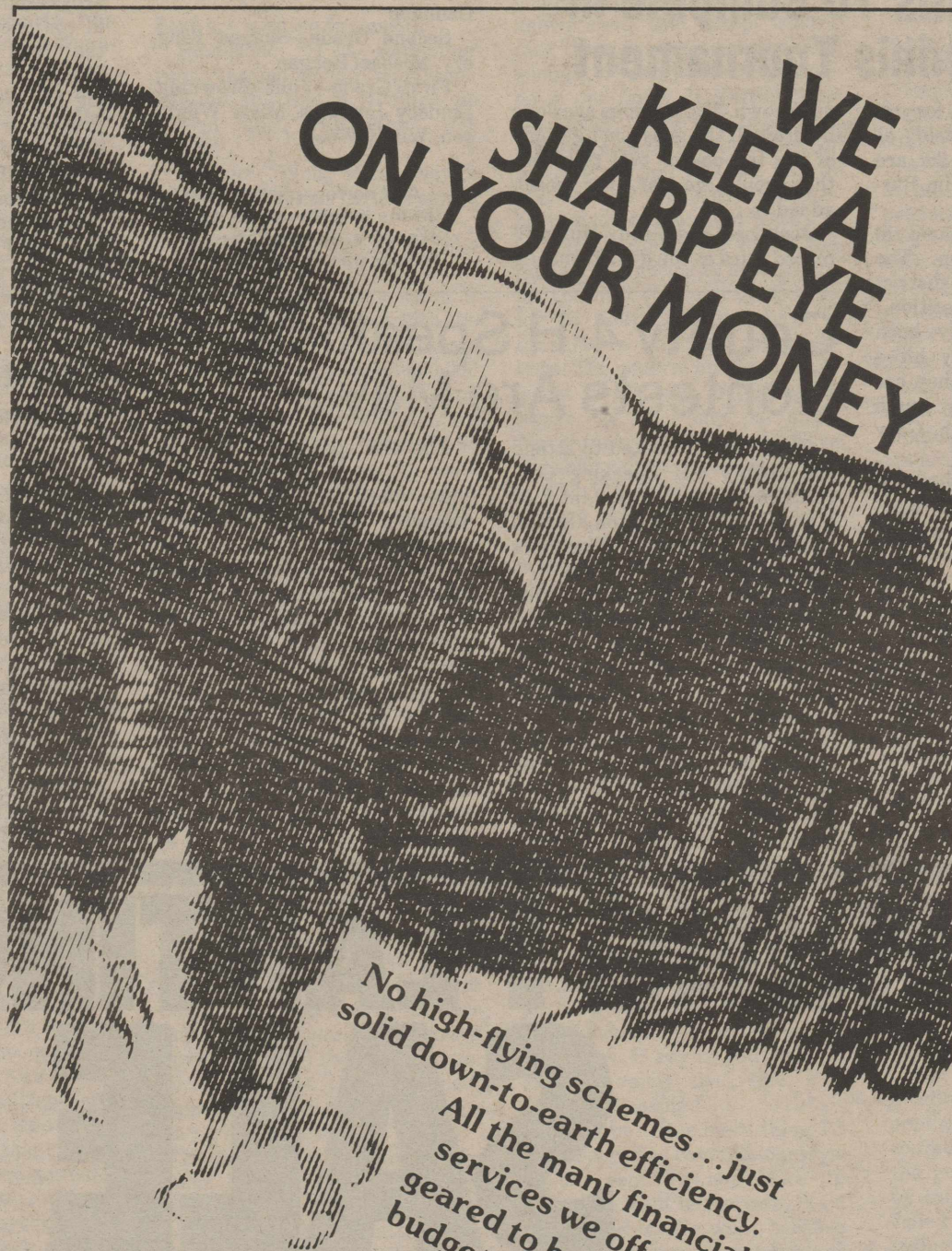
April 22, 1948—Mrs. Flora Peery Malone, 90, Briscoe County pioneer, died April 17 . . . Mrs. S. F. Flores of Tulia makes generous gift to Wayland . . . T. A. Crass attending Diesel Engine School in Chicago . . . Meredith Nelson is new operator at Palace Theatre . . . Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Brookshier attended dedication

of the new Central building of the Church of Christ in Tulia Sunday afternoon . . . Student Council members enjoy picnic. Attending were L. B. Garvin, LaRue Gilkeyson, Marian Arnold, Wayne Hamilton, Joye Deavenport, Don Burson, Carl Tidwell, Jeanne Dennis, Clifton Stodghill, Betty Dickerson, Billy Wayne Garvin, Richard Tunnell, Betty Gardner, Gladys Hyatt, Jett Mason, Wonna Woods, Mary Tom Bomar, Wayne McMurtry, Mickey Cornett and Mr. and Mrs. Lawson Brevard . . . Mrs. Dollie Edmonds of Happy came Tuesday for Mrs. A. G. Stevenson and daughter, Gloria June, to take them to be with Mr. Stevenson Wednesday morning when he

underwent surgery at St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo . . . The National Jamboree from Nashville, Tennessee coming to Silverton High School auditorium . . . Mrs. Mattie Perry visiting daughter in Houston . . . Mrs. Pearl Simpson has dinner guests . . .

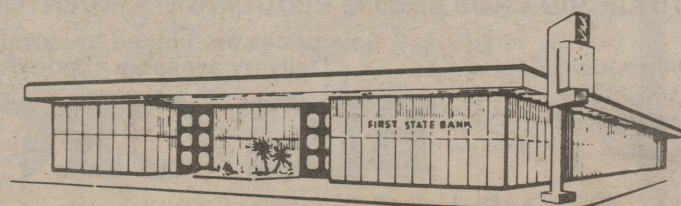
April 28, 1938—Woodrow Wilson, Silverton coach, has accepted a coaching position for the next year in the Crosbyton High School, and the Silverton boys will be under the direction of Aulton Durham . . . Nice rain shower falls here . . . High School pupils to attend Spring Fiesta in Lubbock Saturday . . . Silverton Scouts go to jamboree in Lubbock . . . City reclaims dump

ground . . . Mrs. Pearl Russell has purchased the City Coffee Shop and has changed its name to Pearl's Coffee Shop. It was formerly operated by Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Inman . . . Briscoe County is under quarantine for hog cholera . . . Editor Roy Hahn wrote: "Paul Reid brought in an old copy of the "STAYER," a newspaper published in Silverton in 1898. The editor was Mrs. R. W. Morgan. It is small but very neatly printed, which was an exception rather than the rule in those days . . . Mart Self brought in an old clipping of a sale bill that was first published in Kentucky in 1849. It has See LOOKING BACK—
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Kim Burson



Shannon Bingham

Silverton Girls To Compete In Regional Tennis Tournament

Qualifying in doubles for regional tennis to be held at Levelland on April 28-29 are Shannon Bingham and Kim Burson.

The pair finished second in District 4-A competition. The first two places in district advance to regional competition.

"The girls have really been playing well. When they hit a good groove and play as they are capable of, they are really tough to beat," said their coach, Gary Childs.

Their first match is scheduled for 9:00 a.m. Thursday, April 28. As of this time, their opponent is

not known. The pairings are done by draw. If the girls don't get one of the top one or two right off, they could go far, the coach added.

Joey Leal and Teddy Hubbard placed third at the district meet.

Sorority to Sponsor Volleyball Tournament

Alpha Mu Delta sorority in Floydada is sponsoring a volleyball tournament May 12-13-14. There will be divisions for men's, women's and mixed teams.

If interested, call Dara Ware, 983-3083. Deadline for entering is May 10.

Silverton School Honor Roll

Fifth Six Weeks

Twelfth Grade—Kim Burson, Juannah Woods, Gina Myers

Eleventh Grade—Tara Nance
Tenth Grade—Teddy Hubbard, Julie Towe

Ninth Grade—John Cavitt, Fidencio Reyes

Seventh Grade—Stephen Cavitt, Melissa Woods

Sixth Grade—Angie Castillo, Matt Francis, Kami Martin, Kayla Ramsey, Becky Scarse, Braden Towe, Christa Tucker, Ashleigh Wyatt

Fifth Grade—Brandi Brunson, Holly Nance

Fourth Grade—Charlotte Holt, Vanessa Martin, Shannon Weaver

Third Grade — Marshall McCammon

Second Grade—Shauna Kingery, Michael Reagan

First Grade—Julie Browning, Lindsey Jennings, Misty Wilkinson, Windy Wood

Add narrow plywood partitions lengthwise to deep drawers. Put most-used articles on the half shelves.

County 4-H Speaking Contests Are May 2

The public is invited to attend the County 4-H Speaking Contests on Monday, May 2, at 7:30 p.m. in the Silverton School Cafeteria and Home Economics Department.

Some 35 4-H youth from the Silverton and Valley 4-H clubs will give their method demonstrations, illustrated talks, and public speaking presentations on a variety of topics.

Winners in each division will advance to competition at the District 4-H Roundup on Saturday, May 7, on the Texas Tech campus in Lubbock.

The 4-H speaking event provides boys and girls with a valuable life skill in public speaking.

Participants will be awarded ribbons and plaques will be presented to the best junior and senior contestants. There is no admission charge.

Educational programs conducted by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, handicap or national origin.

CRP Weed Control Meeting Slated Today

Farmers who own or manage land in the Conservation Reserve Program are urged to attend a meeting on weed control today (Thursday, April 28) at 10:00 a.m. at the Briscoe County Show Barn.

Purpose of the meeting is to give producers the latest requirements for controlling weeds on CRP land. Terry Brandt from DuPont Agricultural Products will give the latest details on the application of "Ally" and "Glean" herbicides. Dave Baumgarner from Monsanto will discuss the use of "Roundup" and "Honcho" herbicides to control dead litter crops and their volunteer growth.

Soil Conservation Service, Texas Agricultural Extension Service and ASCS personnel will be available to answer questions and update producers on current USDA programs.

All farmers, chemical dealers, custom applicators and anyone who works with CRP land are strongly urged to attend. Lunch will be provided to those attending the meeting by DuPont and Monsanto.

This meeting is sponsored jointly by the Caprock Soil and Water Conservation District, the USDA Soil Conservation Service, Texas Agricultural Extension Service, USDA Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, Monsanto and DuPont Chemical companies.

Programs and assistance from the agencies of the U. S. Department of Agriculture are available to people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, handicap or national origin.

For more information, contact the Soil Conservation Service office at 823-2320 or come by the office at 416 North Main in Silverton.

Quartz has as many names as its colors: pink is called rose quartz; purple or violet, amethyst; yellow is "false topaz."

WTSU Business Students Receive Scholarship Awards

The T. Boone Pickens College of Business at West Texas State University held its annual awards ceremony Monday, April 18, in conjunction with a tribute to the man who endowed the college, T. Boone Pickens. During the ceremony, awards were presented to outstanding students, and recipients of scholarships totaling more than \$25,000 were announced.

A Conoco Scholarship was presented to Donna Tomlin, computer info systems student. She is the daughter of Emmett and Sandi Tomlin of Silverton.

Silverton School Lunchroom Menu

May 2-6

Monday—Soft Burritos, Corn, Cornbread, Fruit, Milk

Tuesday — Pot Pie, Salad, Cheesestraws, Crackers, Fruit, Milk

Wednesday—Baked Chicken, English Peas, Au gratin Potatoes, Hot Rolls, Fruit and Jello, Milk

Thursday—Steak and Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Honey and Butter, Milk

Friday — Cheeseburgers or Hamburgers, French Fries, Cookie, Milk

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them, are just rumors.

"At Archer & Archer, we're stretched pretty thin. We're a research and development company. We have several thousands of dollars of patent research. We got a letter just yesterday saying one of our patents has made it through approval and was 100% approved. That's only happened twice in the patent office in Dallas where they've had 100% approval on a patent and both of those approvals were our patents. So we're walking into there with some pretty knowledgeable areas, but we've got a lot of money tied up in those patents. We've also got some research projects that we've put money into that have not given us money back yet. One project is the Boyce City mill. It is shipping flour on a limited basis but we've just now got it to the point where it can produce the type of flour it needs to produce after a lot of research and development and a lot of our own corporate finances. So, when Austin says, okay this is a million point two project and we're giving you \$490,000. We want the other money in a bank account set aside. Well, no business that I know of is going to set aside money for two months in that large an amount when we've got a lot of bills to go. So the man down there and I just didn't see eye to eye on a lot of things, and I took his advice on a lot of things and he took my advice on some. One of the items which I thought was kind of funny was that he said you can't put any used equipment in this plant. I said well what about fork trucks that we have? What about peanut elevators that we already have? Do we have to go out and buy brand new ones? That's right. You can't put any used equipment in it. And I said, your \$490,000 is paying for an oven for roasting, that we construct, a drier, and a salting system that is a special process. I said you don't have anything to say over the rest of the equipment—whether it's used or reconditioned, or whether it is brand-new. That won't affect the plant a bit, except in cash flow. I said we can reduce the cost in that area by instead of paying \$20,000 for a new fork lift, paying \$10,000 for a reconditioned one. I said there's no business basis for what you're telling me to do. I said I can understand the money that you're going—that the government is putting into this project—you have stipulations on what that money can be used for, but I said as far as the rest of the project I think you're getting into an area that is really none of your business. But this went back and forth, and the guy that we worked with and the guy the judge is familiar with and everybody in our realm that we were dealing with in Austin—we were getting all this stuff down to a point that was acceptable on both sides, when the man was transferred to another department in Austin. A new man came in, and the whole thing started all over again. So he just said, we'll just postpone it. And so I said, okay, if that's what we have to do, that's what we'll do. So

right now we're working on getting the project going in Hereford where I personally can oversee it where I live and get the cash flow flowing into the peanut project with the actual contracts in hand so that they can have the steps one, two, three and right down the line. Also we're working on the other financing for the building. We're still pushing hard on this project because it means money in our pockets. We can do a limited amount of processing. We can take our cookie oven, put it up and set it up and put enough equipment to run peanuts and sunflower seeds—not to supply the demand that is being put upon us by the company in Amarillo, and another thing is that Glen has access to orders that his plant cannot fill so he's looking at this to have an extra place to service his contracts. So in Hereford we can do it on a limited basis, but we need this project for our benefit."

Question: What size building would you need to put it here instead of at Hereford?

"The one that we are trying to set up out there is dock high and 80x280 with separate offices. We need something that is at least 200 feet long because length is what we need. It is a long process and you can't turn corners with it. Don't be afraid that Hereford is stealing your project from you. They're not. It just happens that I live there and it's easier for me to find someone to put up some money for it there. People there are buying our cookie oven from us for baking cookies and pizzas, and we asked them if we went ahead and did that could we run peanuts on it until this plant is established. They know that they're not going to have contracts on peanuts because those contracts are going to come down here as soon as this plant is established. So that has been established ahead of time. They know that, and they're looking toward baked goods, anyway."

Question: The peanut processing plant that the Amarillo paper mentioned on February 10 that you'd opened in Boyce City, is it not able to fill these contracts?

"That ties into the Hereford project. That's the same oven. Our cookie oven is at Boyce City. We built it there in the milo flour mill there, and we thought if it really comes down to the wire then we can use that oven to process peanuts. The problem is that our insurance company said a flour mill with an oven in it? No way. And they wouldn't cover it with insurance. So that is the same oven that will be shipped to Hereford for the bakery products that we are going to run peanuts on."

"This fellow that was transferred—was that Mr. Grajales? was another question from the audience."

"Frank Grajales was transferred to another division. Aubrey Johnson came in and took a look at the package and he asked the same questions that Frank and I went through and it's really frustrating when a guy down at Austin who has never seen you,

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never heard about you or your business, is telling you what you need. If anything's frustrating, it's that. I had to watch myself over the phone because he'd ask me questions on things he didn't understand. I said if you'll come up here I'll explain, I'll show you. You can meet the people, look at the land we're getting to do it, go over the plans, watch this process—all we're doing is expanding Glen's process. I said come up to Boyce City, look at the things we're doing. His job is not really to give the grant; I think his job is to look at reasons why it shouldn't go through. But your letters did a wonderful job with Frank. I have to compliment you on that. He said, man I've been swamped down here with letters, and I said you bet those people need and want a plant. I said, you know they're desperate over there to get something in there and you're holding it up. So I'm sure he put all those in a file and I hope he handed them to the new guy and made sure he reads those letters."

Question: Are you still planning on putting in a seed cleaning specialty part?

"Yes, I think this was one of the mistakes that Austin had. When this plant first goes in, there's no need right away for any cleaning system because we'll be getting peanuts that have already been through the cleaning process, brought over here in 50 lb. bags or 100 lb. bags, salted and roasted, put back in the bags, put back on the truck and shipped back over there. That's the quickest way to get cash flow going. Right after this, as soon as we possibly can, we'll put in a process for cleaning peanuts to where we can take your farmers's peanuts, receive them from the field, and take them through this process and get more of the profit involved. The same with sunflower seeds."

Question: Well now I was interested in asking about the cookie making and the flour milling.

"We are discussing with some local people here about a bakery, and that bakery will be as limited or as large as that person wants it to be. We were discussing that on the way down here this morning, that the bakery could service this area—Silverton, Quitaque and other areas. That bakery would be a real profitable operation, plus if we could put a flour mill with that bakery—we can build these flour mills as large or as small as we need—our flour milling process is not a standard process. We have taken it and done some new things to the flour mill that hasn't been thought of before. In giving an example of our success, it's mainly a milo mill. We built it for milo and milo products. We ran some wheat—just dumped the wheat in there and ran it through the process and we came out with a white whole wheat flour. In the bakery industry and the food industry, in order for whole wheat to be called whole wheat it has to have a fiber content of 2.5% fiber—that's high. Ours has a fiber content of 3.0, and they said we could add some bran to it

and we can raise our fiber content so high that we have an international fiber content that is natural. So this process has turned out something that is just incredible. It is just unheard of in the flour marketing industry."

Question: Wouldn't you say that the biggest problem is because you are such a new plant with so many new things that Austin isn't understanding it and that you haven't been in business that many years, or how many years have you been in business?

"For the peanut project, we are basing it on Glen's processing plant that has been in operation since 1979. So it has a good track record there. I think the image they get in Austin is that we're going to be receiving products out of the field right quick, and I explained to them at first it's a service—a roasting and salting service—that we get already packaged peanuts in bulk bags and then we send back full bags, and that there's not been a lot of work done on contracts and things like that now. Aldus, who we are going through to get contracts, is calling every week to know when we're ready, because they're having to ship peanuts to Virginia. They're shipping peanuts to Virginia because there is no other place to get it done. That's why it is very important to have one here because we can get all the business we want. That letter of the 10th from Austin says they want contracts and I feel bad about saying there's nothing but flat ground out here, but give me a contract. It's not in business operations."

At this point Commissioner Long asked Wilburn to address the eight points set forth in the letter of April 11 from the Department of Commerce which were considered to be lacking in the grant application, and read the list.

(1) Lack of documentation that Briscoe County Processing, Inc. has \$40,000 in cash to inject as working capital into the project;

(2) Lack of documentation that Briscoe County Processing, Inc. has \$62,885 in cash to provide as a down payment to Hallmark Builders;

(3) Name of the lender(s) who will finance \$250,000 for construction costs of the building/facility, and a statement that all financial/credit arrangements, designs and construction details, and general arrangements have been approved for issuance of a loan commitment for the above funds;

(4) Lack of documentation that Archer & Archer, Inc. has the financial resources necessary to manufacture \$883,050 worth of equipment and that such equipment's actual value is \$883,050;

(5) Lack of documentation that Briscoe County Processing, Inc. has the financial ability to purchase a minimum of 40 acres for the project site, and that such property is available for sale;

(6) Lack of documentation that Briscoe County Processing, Inc. has buyer contracts for its product;

(7) Lack of documentation that Aldus Group has approved an appropriate facility within range of Amarillo, Texas, and that Global Link has been provided with a sample load to determine the quality of work, and thus approve purchase of the product, and that the product produced

has been approved as having "adequate storage and handling cleanliness" for salting and roasting peanut operations; and

(8) Lack of documentation that Aldus Group is willing under the above similar conditions, to hire Briscoe County Processing to roast and sort sunflower seeds.

Wilburn replied that some of them could be grouped together, and said that numbers one, two and five would be addressed first. "We didn't agree to purchase 40 acres, it was 10 acres, and I've got that in a contract already. That's a cost of \$5,000. So \$5,000 and \$63,000 and \$40,000—all that lumped together is described as one financial package. I told the people in Austin that we had some money coming in from a major licensee on our oven systems that would cover that but they would not go on future funds. It has to be in the bank with a dollar sign on it."

"They don't consider licensing equities and royals as capital. So I'm having to go out and talk to banks. I've talked to the bank here in Silverton and today I'm going to the bank in Quitaque about that end of it."

"The third point: All you familiar with Hallmark Builders in Amarillo? They're a pretty sturdy firm. Weldon McClure, who owns it, is very familiar with us and we have visited with him on many occasions. We put in a statement into our package that went to Austin that said that Hallmark Builders would finance the building for this much money and it will be this much percent, listed the terms and everything about this much per month and that letter was put into the deal and sent to Austin. Because it wasn't a lender with a bank signature behind that, it would go with the fact that Hallmark Builders would finance the building. So now we're having to work through that."

"Number four: We manufacture most of the equipment that we put into the plant. We have the ability to manufacture it, build tunnel ovens. Our vice president in charge of engineering has been building feed yards for 16 years so we are very astute in how to build. With the \$490,000 grant money and our present inventory of products, of materials, and equipment plus what we can build and finance through creditors on a 30-day or 60-day note—normal business operations—we can build the equipment that it takes to put in that plant. If it cost us as much to build something as we would list price it for, we would put ourselves out of business pretty quick. Archer & Archer Manufacturing can trim a lot of that off—if somebody came up here to us and said we want to buy this equipment from you, it costs that much, but for us to do it ourselves surely it's valued like that but it doesn't at all cost us that much to build it. You can understand that from a business standpoint. So that's covered. That's not a problem. Austin sees this list of equipment, this price on it, and he sees \$490,000—where's the rest of that? The rest of that is in our labor, it's in our inventory, it's in equipment we already have like I told you while ago—if we can put a fork truck out here that is reconditioned

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Rev. and Mrs. Royce Combs

Rev. Combs Is New Pastor At Assembly Of God Here

Rev. Royce and Mildred Combs have accepted the pastorate of The First Assembly of God Church here in Silvertown as of April 10, 1988.

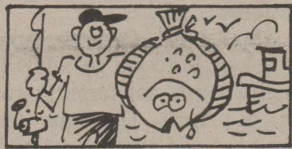
Their eldest daughter, Sheryl and her husband, Jeff Harris, have a son named Jared.

Their only son, Alton, and his wife, Angie, have two boys, Trey and Tony.

The youngest daughter, Nadine, and her husband, Scott, are expecting their first child in July. Rev. Combs would like to

extend an invitation to all who would like to come and be in services with them.

They look forward to serving this community.



Fishermen have landed female halibut weighing from 300 to 400 pounds.

Texas Extension Homemakers Hold District Meeting

The South Plains District 2 THEA held its annual meeting at Levelland April 14, 1988. Betty Darby, District 2 THEA Director, presided over the meeting.

Speakers for the day were Scott Yarbrough, English instructor at South Plains College, who gave a very amusing and inspiring speech about making a home, and Star Blair, director of social service, Charter Plains Hospital, Lubbock "brought down the house" with her speech on "Adjusting to Middle Age and Retirement." The concensus of most THEA members who heard the speech was "old age is just a state of mind"! The eldest THEA member present was 81 years old! Eight members from several counties were honored for being fifty-year participants in Home Extension clubs.

Joan Frost of Happy was elected to serve as the new District 2 THEA Director. Joan has received the THEA award in the field of "Family Relations."

Briscoe County's entry in the arts and crafts exhibit won first place in the decor category. The winning entry was made by Virginia Hardin.

A former Silvertown teacher, Jeanette Herring of Tulia took first place in the fine arts category with a landscape. Mrs. Herring has only been painting three months!

Lynda Fogerson, Briscoe County Extension Agent, and Virginia Hardin, Southwestern H.E. Club member, attended the meeting. Lynn County won the Travel Plaque for having 80% of their H.E. membership in attendance at the District Meeting.



Mr. and Mrs. Donald Crooks, Tulia, and Mr. and Mrs. Billy Cogdell are announcing the engagement and approaching marriage of their children. Kippi Denise Crooks will marry Dick Munsey Cogdell on May 28, 1988 at the First Baptist Church in Tulia. The bride-elect is a 1987 graduate of Tulia High School and is a student at Texas Tech University in Lubbock. The prospective bridegroom is a 1985 graduate of Silvertown High School and attended Texas Tech University. He is engaged in ranching in the Vigo Park vicinity. They plan to make their home on Tule Ranch.

Coffee Memorial To Present Program

Coffee Memorial Blood Center will present a program in the Silvertown School auditorium beginning at 11:15 a.m. Wednesday, May 11. The public is invited.

This will be followed by a blood drive May 17, from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. at the City Hall in Silvertown. Coffee Memorial's bloodmobile will be here to take the donations of blood that day.

SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER HOSTESSES FOR MAY

- Mon., May 2--Grace Vaughan
- Thur., May 5--Lucy McDaniel
- Fri., May 6--Pauline Benefield
- Mon., May 9--Pauline Chitty
- Thur., May 12--Christine King
- Fri., May 13--Betty Olive
- Mon., May 16--Letha Lanham
- Thurs., May 19--Doleta Boyce
- Fri., May 20--Luncheon
- Mon., May 23--Mildred McDaniel
- Thurs., May 26--Ruby McWaters
- Fri., May 27--Nannie Bomar
- Mon., May 30--Holiday

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ...

- April 28--Shellie Cornett, Nikki Martin, Bailey Hill
- April 30 -- Minerva Patino, Leonard Morgan, Jerry Miller, Linda Auston, Alice Maciel, Patrick Whitfill
- May 1--Jeffrey Grimland, Jennifer Grimland, Kyle Bean, Fred Edwards, Greg Hill
- May 2--Kristi Smith
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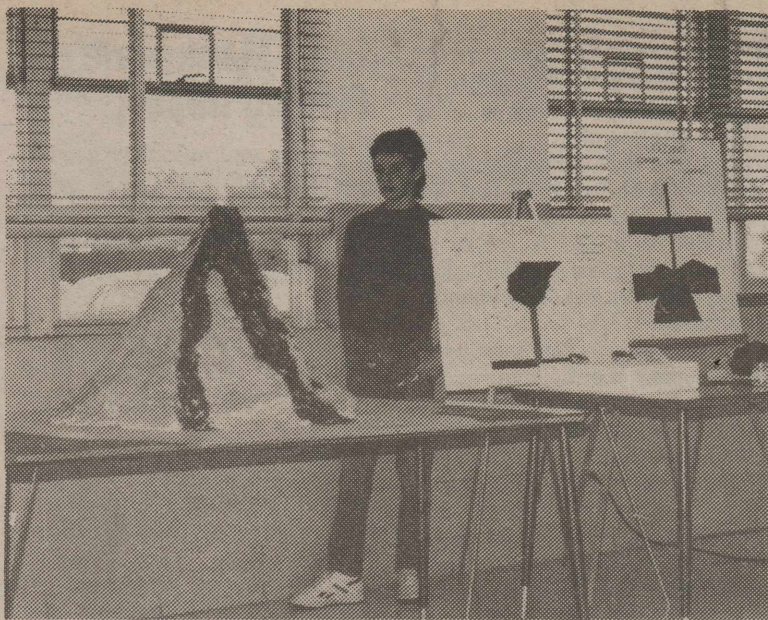


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Casey Frizzell is shown by his grand-prize winning volcano exhibit at the Junior High Science Fair. By placing first, Casey won the microscope and slide set that was offered as the prize.



Science Fair participants were (back row) Abel Maciel, Brian West, Lance Smith, Stephen Cavitt, Casey Frizzell; (front row) Lyndell Ivory, Cecilia Castillo, Josh Brooks, Jeffrey Grimland and Jeff Smith.

Junior High Science Fair Held Recently

The Silverton PTA Junior High School Science Fair was held Saturday, April 16, in the school cafeteria.

Science teacher Mike Long's seventh and eighth grade students turned out some very impressive projects. Judges Tom Burson, Garner Garrison and the Rev. Duane Knowlton certainly must have had a difficult time reaching a decision. David Rea-

gan served as master of ceremonies.

The students competing and their projects were:

- Cecilia Castillo—Soil groups and plants light and plants
- Stephen Cavitt — Cigarette smoke
- Lyndell Ivory—Producing silver from a chemical reaction
- Jeff Smith — Brine shrimp
- Jeffrey Grimland — Crystal

growth

Abel Maciel — Model of universe

Brian West—Volcano
First place winner was Casey Frizzell with his volcano.

Second place went to Lance Smith's presentation of mice and alcohol.

Third place winner was Josh Brooks' solar water heater.

Because of the outstanding work put into each project, every student received a trophy.

The PTA wishes to express its

gratitude to Mike Long for encouraging the students to participate and for the extra time he put in on the Science Fair.

Jack and Jean Stevenson of Santa Barbara, California and Mabel Parsons of South Gate, California have been visiting with Jettie Hardcastle and Bertha Mae Allard. All went to Turkey Saturday to visit the Greens.

Zell and Martell Grover from Rexburg, Idaho are spending two weeks with Jettie Hardcastle and Bertha Mae Allard and visiting friends here. They visited in the home of Carrie Dickerson Sunday.

That "old wives' tale" about not washing windows when the sun is shining on them is worth listening to! The windows will dry too fast and will show streaks.

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ALL MERCHANDISE MARKED DOWN 30% Sale Ends Saturday, May 14, 1988

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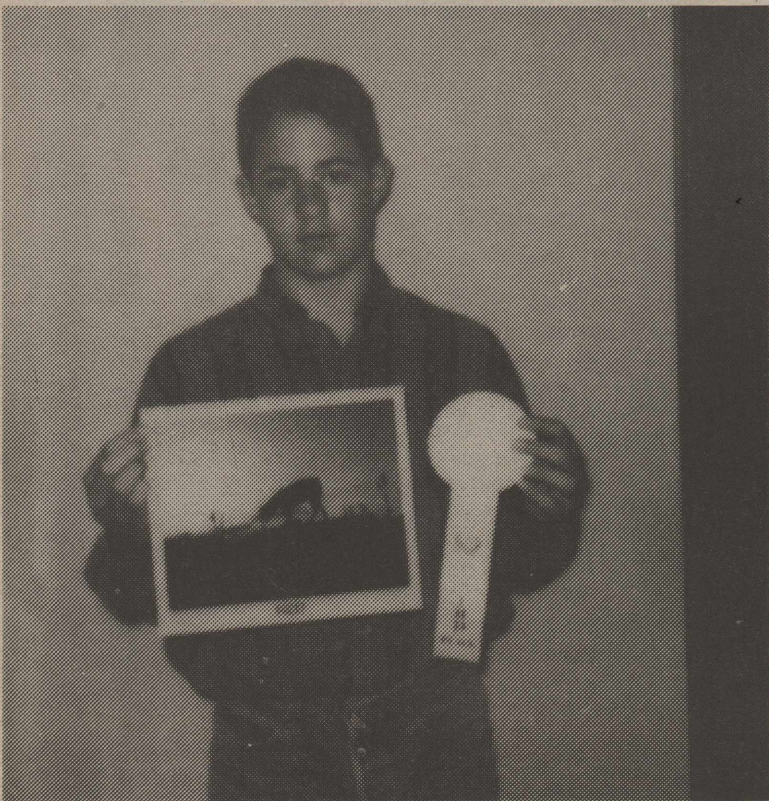
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PTA UPDATE



Lance Smith and his prize-winning photograph

The Texas PTA-District 8 Spring Conference was held April 5 in Panhandle. Silverton PTA received special recognition and a leadership award for having the largest percentage of increase in membership for 1987-88. A 71.42% increase was registered over the previous year.

Awards were also presented in the Reflections competition. Winners on the District level competed with 50 area PTAs. If the student placed first in District competition, his entry went on to the State level.

Lance Smith was one of those whose photography entry was judged on the State level, and Lance was a third-place State winner.

Those winning awards on the District level included:

Primary [K-3]

Art—Michael Reagan, second; Katy Hester, fourth; Clint Ivory, fourth

Photography—Lindsey Jennings, first; Laura McCammon, third; Marshall McCammon, fourth

Intermediate

Art—Holly Nance, fourth; Cy

REMINDER:

To sign up in the PCCA Co-op Denim Mill and Co-op Marketing Pool, contact your local co-op gin manager or bookkeeper before the April 30 deadline.

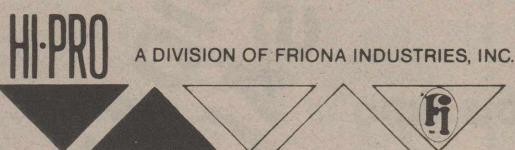
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LINES FROM Y N D A

Lynda Fogerson
Briscoe County Extension Agent

Last week I discussed Extension Home Economics study groups, which are informal, less structured educational groups that meet as few as four to six times a year to learn about a particular topic of interest to the group—special diets, child development, parenting, widowhood, etc.

To be a part of an on-going group that meets regularly for programs, business, community service and socializing, join an Extension Homemaker club. There are presently two clubs in the county—the Southwestern EH club, which meets on the fourth Thursday of each month (September-May) at 2:00 p.m. in their homes; and the Progressive EH club which meets the second and fourth Monday nights at 7:00 p.m. (September-May) usually in the First State Bank meeting room in Silverton. Visitors are always welcome.

The Texas Extension Homemakers Association was organized in 1926, and has some 23,000 members statewide in almost every county. There were no dues assessed for membership until this past year. For 1988, dues of \$2.00 per member were assessed to provide funds for national affiliation and to fund the scholarships provided each year to 4-H members across the state, which was one of the original objectives of the organization.

If you would like to belong to such an organization whose primary objective is to promote home and family life, call me to find out about attending a meeting. If you want to start a club which meets at a different time and place—maybe one in Quitaque—get some of your friends together and arrange for me to come and explain the organization to you.

Club members have opportunities to attend district and state

Comer, fourth
Photography—Cy Comer, fourth

Junior High

Art—Carl Van Hoose, first; Casey Frizzell, second; Amy Minyard, third

Photography—Lance Smith, first; Christy Nease, second

Literature—Maria Baeza, third

Senior High

Literature—Tara Nance, first

conferences and to belong to the county Extension Homemakers Council which coordinates activities of all the clubs.

My role is to serve as advisor to the club and to provide training and programs as requested. Call me at 823-2131, Ext. 12, if you are interested. The following is the Extension Homemakers Creed:

We believe in the sanctity of the home. We believe in the home as the place where love, faith, trust and devotion must be lived each day, where obedience and reverence grow, and where God is known. We believe those within its walls should be taught to work, to play, and to have compassion for those less fortunate. We believe sharing responsibilities is necessary, and that from the fireside will come the citizens who will uphold the best ways of life.

Extension Homemaker clubs are open to all regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, religion, sex, handicap or national origin.

Cemetery Group To Have Annual Meeting

The Silverton Cemetery Association will hold its annual meeting Thursday, May 5, at 8:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

An election will be held to fill the expiring terms of Pascal Garrison, Clifton Stodghill and Carolyn Lowrey, and Memorial Day cards will be ready to address.

Everyone interested in the cemetery is urged to attend and discuss their concerns. 17-2tc



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The term drawing room is a shortening of the word withdrawing, for the room to which guests withdrew.

Lake Mackenzie Fishing Report

Fishing continues to be good at Lake Mackenzie where the water temperature at a four-foot depth is now 60° and the water depth at the dam continues to be 109 feet.

April 18, Rick Summers of Canyon caught a 2½ and 3-lb. largemouth bass using a deep diving Rapala lure in Cope Creek.

That same day, Randy Reed of Canyon caught a 3¼-lb. largemouth bass using a black worm with chartreuse tail in Cope Creek.

April 19, J. T. Hodges of Amarillo caught largemouth bass tipping the scales at 2½, 3 and 3¼ lbs. using purple worms in Deadman's Creek.

April 20, Les Sutton of Amarillo registered three 3-lb. and two 2½-lb. largemouth bass caught on spinner bait in Tule Creek.

April 22, Virgil Bartlett of Canyon caught a 4½-lb. largemouth bass using a black worm with chartreuse tail in Tule Creek.

April 23, Lynn Treadwell of Amarillo caught a 3½-lb. largemouth bass using a minnow.

That same day, a six-pound largemouth bass was caught by Randy Labue of Amarillo who was using a brown pig-jig in the no wake zone near the dam.

Prizes in the bass tournament, sponsored Sunday by Billy's Boat Ramp of Amarillo, were awarded to (first hour) Eric Swires for a 6.1 pounder; (second hour) Randy Massucci, 4.6 pounder; (third hour) Randy Massucci, 6.7 pounder; (fourth hour) James Johnson, 4.45 pounder; (fifth hour) Ronnie Hill, 4.1 pounder; (sixth hour) Lew Killebrew, 6.8 pounder; (seventh hour) Jerry Dandridge, 4.15 pounder; (eighth hour) Jerry Graves, 4.85 pounder.

Prize money of \$300 each went to those who caught the biggest bass of the hour, and Lew Killebrew received \$2,450 for catching the biggest bass of the tournament.

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and does the job for \$10,000 instead of buying a new one for \$20,000, it's good business practice to do it.

"Number six: I explained that to you. That kind of ties in with number seven. This is the appropriate facility except it's not out there yet. It's kind of hard for them to approve it when it's not up and running, but yet they've approved Glen for salting and roasting, and all we're doing is enlarging Glen's facility. Global, Inc. is a sub-division of Aldus that handles the overseas marketing. has been provided a sample load to determine the quality of work and does approve purchase of the product and product produced has been approved as having adequate storage and handling cleanliness for salting and roasting peanut operations. A brand-new plant ought to have adequate storage and cleanliness in handling. This is why I was talking about having the cart before the horse. That's why at Hereford we're working toward getting something going, using that bakery oven to run peanuts so that Aldus Group will say yes, that's a clean place to run peanuts for us and we've got contracts for them now and Austin says fine, we'll build a plant for them. You see, it's really kind of backward in a lot of ways, in my opinion.

"Number eight: We sent a letter down there with them like I said that says that Aldus Group says once we see the plant in running operation and that it meets our requirements we are willing to give them contracts for approximately six million pounds of peanuts and about that much sunflower seeds. That's how the letter reads and I don't know how much more exact you can get except at the top they called it Letter of Intent instead of Contract. I also figured out, and I'm working to alleviate this problem, that at the time we talked to Aldus we didn't know that it was going to be Briscoe County Processing, Inc. They had no idea that was the name.

They didn't know how to refer to it in anything. But they do know Glen, and the letter of intent that's in the package is from Aldus to Glen's Peanuts. It came to me the other day that it might have been a problem. So I typed up a letter for Glen that says that the contracts that Aldus was giving him would be filled at Briscoe County Processing, Inc. It's a triangle type thing. I don't know because it says Glen's Peanuts if they are not tying it in to Briscoe County Processing, Inc. or not. That's why I wanted the government guy to come up here and take a look at what we were doing. What Archer & Archer was doing was taking Glen—he's going with us—and we're expanding Glen's operation with new equipment. That's basically the whole thing. So Glen plays an important part in this situation. That takes care of each point of that thing. We're working right now, as it stands right now, we're working on a line of credit for \$150,000 for the plant. Hallmark Builders—Weldon McClure—is working on getting the documentation necessary for whatever they need down in Austin on the building situation. We're trying to tie up every single question they may

have to make it as smooth as possible. We're losing \$8,000 a week not doing peanuts. \$8,000 is being sent to Virginia. And they called us yesterday and said they will be wanting three truckloads a week. We are really pressed for time also."

Commissioner Long stressed that he and the other commissioners do want something for Briscoe County, but that they want to know what comes into the county, if it works, and stated that they would work for it all they could. "What we have here from the Texas Department of Commerce—you've done very well—but your answers are intangibles to all of the eight statements. I am personally willing to take another shot at it . . . and we won't give up trying but we have to know what is coming in."

Wilburn said, "To address your point, I do appreciate you commissioners because without you people this grant wouldn't even be available and the fact that we're able to go for this grant is based on your willingness to meet the criteria for your county and the desires of your people to get a project here. That's very commendable."

Commissioner Long and Judge Ross discussed "county consultant", and it was pointed out that Perna Strickland of Panhandle Regional Planning Commission is the county consultant for this project. The commissioner then complained that he and the other commissioners had not been kept up on what was going on, and the judge replied that he had never in the past four months come into his office to ask for information of any kind. The judge added that the communications on the grant have been going between Archer & Archer, Mrs. Strickland and the Department of Commerce. Commissioners Eddleman and Chandler agreed that they, too, had not been kept informed about the grant.

Wilburn stated that he has been very pleased with the work of PRPC, and that Perna had been working very hard on the grant application. "She has been my source of strength when I didn't know what else to do. When I called her, I asked, how do I attack this problem, what do I do now? And she's very familiar with it and makes a great mediator between Austin and the people out here. They have done a superior job, and like I said, the reasons that things were not approved and passed is not PRPC's fault—it's not the county's fault—if anything, it's Archer & Archer's fault because we did not perhaps have all our ducks in a row like Austin wanted to see them. Austin and I have been through that, and I'm sure we're going to go through that again. But I'm doing everything I can to alleviate every bit of doubt they've got down there in Austin, from establishing a line of credit to the documentations that I'll put with the package before it goes back to Austin. We're working in Hereford to get some peanuts going so we'll have actual contracts in hand."

"I have one question," said W. Hamilton, who attended the Archer & Archer meeting in Boyce City, "and I'd like to address it to Mr. Archer. The Industrial Committee informed him that there'd be no oven

moved until restitution was made and he also told the committee that he would deliver all the bills in town in hand the next morning. I'd like to ask Mr. Archer if he did that."

Mr. Archer replied that they did deliver all the payments to the creditors the next day and since that time "we've gone back to the head of the commission Saturday and they had gone back and done some research on rumors they've acted on and some lack of information—all that was aired out Saturday, and there's no problem. In fact, the pressure's on me now to move it out of there."

Hamilton: "You have permission to move it out of there?"

Archer: "Yes, we're under pressure to move it. They want us to go on with our original plan there to get the flour to the customers. The orders for the flour are starting to come in."

Hamilton: "If I remember right, the Industrial Commission advised you that it wouldn't be moved until restitution was made."

Archer: "Well, what they're calling restitution turned out to be . . ."

Hamilton: "I think it was cash."

Archer: "Well, let's turn it around like it is and deal with the facts, okay? I went into that town with the pledge to spend \$60,000 on that mill to put it in good working order. The \$60,000, we felt like probably wouldn't be enough, and we'd spend some more. Then it got to the point that we felt it would be worthwhile to spend some more and to date we've spent \$290,000 on that mill and we've not caused that town to be out one dime. You will find five paychecks a week on Main Street and we've kept the bills current until this period of 60 days which—we asked for the time and the merchants knew we were going for 60 days. Then the night rider went around and started rumors of bankruptcy and all that. The culprit has been found—we know who it is. All the rumors have been put to bed in Boyce City. We're back on track as we originally were—we've never changed our intentions in Boyce City. There were even rumors that we were personally leaving Boyce City and this is not true. So, as far as I'm concerned, there's only one person in Boyce City who wants to talk."

Hamilton: "What about the check Mr. Thompson gave you for \$25,000?"

Archer: "That's a chattel that's on Mr. Thompson, and there's no problem with that."

Hamilton: "He seemed to think it was."

Archer: "Well, that's a different story."

Hamilton: "It sure is."

Archer: "Our position at Archer & Archer fluctuates cash-wise primarily because we are a research and development firm. Our situation can change \$200,000 to \$300,000 overnight. You build up a project and you sell it, and that's the source of our income. That's where the \$290,000 came from that we spent in Boyce City. That's where the \$300,000 or so comes from we'll be spending here."

Hamilton: "Mike Pigg talked to some people outside and I'd like for him to discuss what he found out."

Pigg: "We talked to three or four different people and they didn't have very much confidence in the plant up there. One fellow told us that I think the original contract stated that you all would have it in production in four months and it was going on a year and a half and still wasn't in production."

Archer: "Well, the reason for that—you've got to bear in mind that that town was shaken to its foundation by the original man that went into there and built that building, ripped them off for three-quarters of a million dollars. That's a bond issue in the county so the street people that are outside paying taxes are not inside and they don't know a thing. The facts they know are what's published by the commission which is not very much information. Of what goes on inside the mill, very little is known about that except what I give them in writing, and that's enough to justify whatever they do in our favor. In getting into the design of the mill, we found many problems in the design of the original mill that we had to correct, and that correction has been made as we could justify it for running flour. We've got the mill up to the point now where for the first time it can operate for 24 hours and not have a break-down to cause us problems. The general public up there is not aware of it, if they were aware of it, only a small percentage of them would have the ability to accept it for what it is. That's an unknown world—the making of milo flour. So we have to go by the technical trade's acceptance of this flour which is now turning into orders. When the mill is on-stream and trucks are seen going away from there, then all of that is going to be useless talk."

Pigg: "One of the members on the Industrial Board decided that you all would have like a month to get the mill in operation and let it be showing a profit. Is that time going to be met?"

Archer: "It's already met, and that's what I was telling you while ago. When you were up there you heard this useless talk. The flour is being shipped. They are gung-ho to get the oven out of the way and get on with the mill. I have no restrictions on me right now. If any of you want to call and verify that, fine. You have my blessing."

Hamilton: "One more thing I'd like to say. The commissioners or no one sent me and Mike up there. We went on our own. We'd heard stories. We went because we were curious about the things we'd heard."

Archer: "I'm glad you went."

Hamilton: "I don't mind telling you we didn't find many that were favorable."

Archer: "Bear in mind that I asked those commissioners one on one if they were still in favor of the project."

Hamilton: "If I remember right, one of them said four weeks or it's over."

Archer: "Right. I accepted that challenge and we've already met the challenge. Bear in mind that the town was riddled by fear."

Hamilton: "They are divided. There's some families divided. Brother divided against brother in dissent, and I think it's coming to that right here in Silverton."

Archer: "Well, Boyce City is a different issue than Silverton. You've got to bear in mind that we've invested up there pretty close to \$300,000 and we don't intend to pull out and we don't intend to back off because we do know what we've got. We're intending to go on with that and the whole course up there is not near as bad as it was painted. We have lots of times when we get strapped for cash flow—everybody whose in debt with us knows that we always pull out of it and we have this time."

Pigg: "It was also discussed up there the market you had for the product you would make."

Archer: "That's been re-established. If you remember, at the meeting I accepted full responsibility for the problem on the market, and I still do. The problem in the marketing was the individual who was put in the marketing position. But I've re-established that market since you were up there."

Hamilton: "How many cookies is that machine supposed to turn out per hour?"

Archer: "Two thousand dozen an hour. Our vice president and production manager is a native of Boyce City, and he wanted to do only the flour in Boyce City. I aired that with the commissioners long before this meeting and that's when we started plans to bring it to flour only. That's when the rumors got out—the night rider went through and jammed the gears on that transition. That's when all the creditors were put on a 60-day pay while we were making the transition. So it wasn't any secret that we were going to move the cookie project out of Boyce City."

Commissioner Long suggested that action be deferred until the next regular meeting on May 9, and asked if Archer & Archer could come up with something hopeful to indicate that the project could be viable for Briscoe County at that time. The next hearing date was set for May 16, and Archer & Archer agreed that they should be able to satisfy the eight points of concern set forth by the Department of Commerce by that time and that the commissioners should be able to take a look at the grant application package at that time.

Mrs. Strickland said that the deadline for submitting the grant applications for the next round of competition is June 14, but that if the grant package is submitted by June 1 you can receive what is called a "pre-review." She explained that during this two-week period before the deadline, the Department of Commerce will go over the grant and allow the applicant to make whatever changes or additions they deem necessary before the final review. She advised that this is what she believes should be done. She said it would be best for the commissioners to vote another resolution of support for the project, but that this was not necessary because it had already been done at an earlier hearing.

Wilburn admitted that he had never done work on a Texas grant application or any other work for a grant application before, because they had never needed to before. "We never



The fate of an average \$1.3 million in annual "seed money" for Texas natural fiber and nutrition research will be on the line in Austin May 5-6, according to Donald Johnson, Executive Vice President of Plains Cotton Growers, Inc., Lubbock.

That's when the Texas Sunset Advisory Commission meets to consider whether to recommend continuation or abolition of the Natural Fibers and Food Protein Commission (NFFPC). The advisory group's recommendation is expected to be a critical factor in the next session of the Texas Legislature where the final decision on the NFFPC will be made.

The 30-year-old NFFPC, an extension of the old Cotton Research Committee of Texas, coordinates and finances research at four Texas universities each year. Also at stake over and above state funds will be a like or greater amount attracted annually by the NFFPC monies from the U. S. Department of Agriculture, private industry, Cotton Incorporated and other sources. For example, the NFFPC 1987-88 budget of just under \$1.5 million drew over \$1.9 million in non-

state funds.

Johnson, who is a member of the NFFPC Industry Advisory Committee, brought the matter before the PCG Board April 7, and at the Board's request has since prepared a resolution supporting continuation of NFFPC "with adequate funding to assure the continuity of the NFFPC's valuable contributions to the Texas economy."

The PCG resolution will be included for presentation to the Sunset Commission in a packet of letters and testimonials justifying state appropriations for NFFPC activities. Public testimony will not be heard at the May hearings, but NFFPC advocates will be present to answer questions.

The Texas Tech International Center for Textile Research and Development receives substantial support from the NFFPC for its work on cotton, wool and mohair. Also supported is the Natural Fibers Information Center at the University of Texas, natural fibers and nutrition utilization research at Texas Woman's University, and Texas Agricultural and Engineering

Extension Services research on cotton and harvest aid chemicals, sheep and goat and food protein development.

The Sunset Advisory Commission held a public hearing March 23 at which, according to Carl Cox, Executive Director, NFFPC backers were assured their research reports had fully justified extension of the agency for another 12 years. However the absence of a quorum on that occasion prevented an official vote that could have locked up a favorable recommendation.

Subsequently Cox reported that one member of the Commission turned "extremely hostile . . . and is demanding that procedures be prepared to abolish the NFFPC." It was this latter information that sparked PCG and other farm, ranch and industry groups to redouble efforts on behalf of the agency.

Three High Plains cotton people have been named by their peers to an eight-member subcommittee to evaluate high volume instrument (HVI) strength measurements as a possible basis for premiums and discounts in the government loan program.

The three are cotton producer Steve Verett of Ralls, who is also president of Lubbock-based Plains Cotton Growers, Inc., ginner Wayne Mixon of Seminole and warehouseman Fred Underwood of Lubbock. All were chosen in February by Agriculture Secretary Richard Lyng to serve on a 16-member Cotton Marketing Advisory Committee charged with an in-depth look at all phases of the U. S. marketing system.

The subcommittee was formed April 13 at the advisory committee's first meeting after a discussion of fiber quality evaluation systems, including the use of HVI by manufacturers, the status of HVI's use in cotton classing offices, instrument calibration accuracy and the possibility of adding more quality factors to HVI.

The subcommittee is scheduled to meet in Dallas June 8 and will report its findings at a full committee meeting tentatively set for August 24 in Memphis, Tennessee. Other subcommittee members include producer Hal Lewis of Arkansas, merchant Peter Hirschfeld of Dallas, cooperative spokesman Tom Smith of Bakersfield, California and Cotton Incorporated's fiber research director Preston Sasser of Raleigh, North Carolina. Yet to be named to the group is a representative from the manufacturing industry.

The full committee is made up of one producer from each of the Cotton Belt's four regions and two members each representing ginners, merchants, manufactur-

ers, cooperatives, warehousemen, and research and academics. Also from the Plains, in addition to the three subcommittee members, is C. L. Boggs, President and General Manager of Plains Cotton Cooperative Association, Lubbock.

Of the subcommittee's work, Verett says, "We can no longer think in terms of whether HVI is coming. HVI is here, it's here to stay, and it's important that producers have a say in the marketing changes that are inevitable as more and more merchants and manufacturers come to rely on it."

In other action the advisory committee addressed the need for new procedures for arriving at the market's quality premiums and discounts that are used to determine annual adjustments to cotton loan program values. The old, much-maligned system of using market quotations committees in the eight official spot markets has been discontinued. The committee endorsed a proposed change that would establish seven growth areas from which to gather pricing data. Proposed territories would be labeled Southeast, North Delta, South Delta, East Texas-Oklahoma, West Texas, Desert Southwest and San Joaquin Valley.

More precise delineation of growth areas and other details of the proposal are expected soon in the Federal Register with time allowed for industry comment before final adoption.

LOOKING BACK—
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everything in it from whiskey by the barrel to pretty Negro wenches . . . Saxey Crow has personally asked me to advertise the fact that he shaved last week. He says that the first two whiskers took great big nicks out of his razor till it wouldn't cut at all. He finally had to pull the third one with tweezers" . . .

COMMISSIONERS—
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intended for this to split your county; in fact, I had intended for this to bring your people closer together. A lot of the problem was Archer & Archer's inefficiency because of not knowing how to deal with grants. We never had been put in that position before. If we could have financially, we would have come in here with no grant and put in the plant. The reason we went for the grant was because it was a low interest loan and it is good business sense to take it plus the interest off that grant goes back to your county for future development."

Mrs. Strickland also pointed out that it is not unusual to hit these snags when applying for a grant. She added that most of the grants she had been familiar with had been submitted more than once. "They always seem to have additional questions they want answered," she said.

What do we, as Briscoe County residents, have to lose if this doesn't go through? was a question voiced.

Judge Ross said the only county money that has been spent in connection with the grant application was a few telephone calls, that he had paid his own expenses when he went

to Austin and other places seeking information about the grant. (Research by the Judge's office after the meeting showed that the county has paid \$85.31 in expenses connected with the grant application.)

Wilburn: "Let's take a very bad scenario. Let's say the plant was established out here, everything was going and then later it went under. The county would end up with a good building. No liability."

When asked about Hallmark Builders, Wilburn said they had financing to back up their project and that was why they were listed as the builder. He said they would be happy to use a local builder if they could provide financing. He said it was also possible that Hallmark Builders would sub-contract the job to a local builder.

It was later pointed out that the Department of Commerce has a consultant who does a thorough job of screening the business ventures proposed in the grant applications, in this case Archer & Archer and Glen's Peanuts, and that there was little chance for error in their system. Mrs. Strickland stated that she did not know of "a bad business" ever gaining approval from the Department of Commerce.

The final outcome of the project will be in the hands of the Department of Commerce.

Discussion followed concerning the role of the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission in the matter of grant applications.

After the discussion concerning the grant application was concluded, the commissioners voted unanimously to participate in the Panhandle Regional Narcotics Task Force, and signed the accompanying agreement.

Following disposition of the other items on the agenda, Delbert Devin of Tulia presented a program on community development workshops which are being held in various counties around the state. The study includes every facet of the county and is conducted by local county people working with a committee of specialists from outside the county to create an economic development package. This has been done successfully in Fisher County, and plans are already being made to do a similar project in Swisher County. Following the presentation, the commissioners unanimously approved this project for Briscoe County on condition that no county funds would be used in the study. Estimated cost is \$500, and where it has been done, that amount was paid from private sources.

Those attending the meeting Monday, in addition to the commissioners, judge and attorney, were Shannon Wilburn, Hereford; Mr. and Mrs. Archer, Boyce City; Glen McAfee, Portales; Perna Strickland and Gary Pitnell from PRPC in Amarillo; Delbert Devin of Tulia, and a number of interested residents of Briscoe County.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sarchet from Thursday until Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sarchet of Cleburne and Mrs. Elizabeth Skelton of Lubbock. They were joined for supper Thursday night by Mr. and Mrs. Donald Sarchet of Amarillo.

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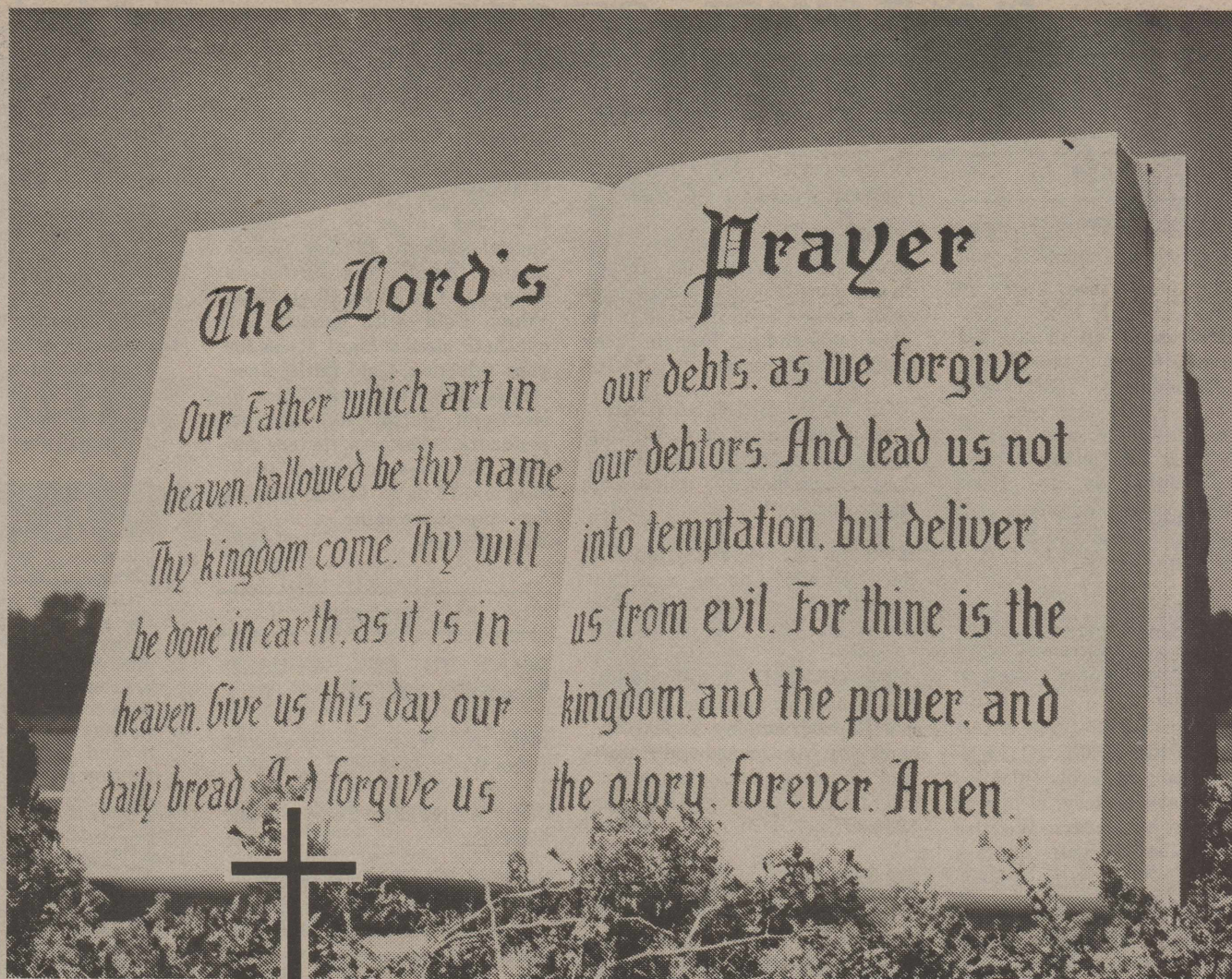
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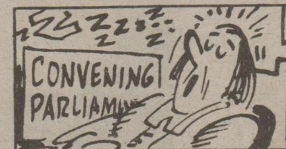
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