

All Around
The Town
BY MARY ANN SARCHET



We were in Tulia for the Picnic Parade Saturday (Charles and his brothers, Donald and Robert, drove antique tractors in the parade) and I was wishing we had had the foresight to have a parade entry advertising upcoming Silverton events. Unfortunately I didn't think of it until Happy came by advertising their rodeo which is the same weekend as ours.

Big events coming up in Silverton soon include the Briscoe County Team Roping on Thursday, August 10, at Wood Memorial Rodeo Arena. This event is open to everyone (men and women) who live in or have lived in Briscoe County. This will be followed by the Birthday Celebration Rodeo Friday and Saturday, August 11-12.

August 12 will be a really big day in downtown Silverton, with entertainment all day under the shelter on the courthouse square. The parade, barbecue, tractor pulls for adults and children, and booths of all kinds will be featured that day. If you want to operate a booth to make a little money for yourself, you are invited to set up and go after it. You can sell food, things you have made or something you have bought, or have a game booth. You are limited only by your creativity.

The Caprock Cowboy Camp Meeting is to be held at the Johnnie Burson Ranch August 16-17-18-19. Jimmy Burson will be the camp music director, Doug Cherry will be the camp youth director, and the camp preachers will be Steve Cody and David Burk.

If you know anything about camp meetings, you know that this isn't just for cowboys and ranchers. It is for everyone who would like to enjoy the cowboy hospitality.

There will be a Bluegrass Music Festival here September 15-16. The music begins at 4:00 p.m. Friday under the shelter on the courthouse square and continues all day Saturday.

You'll need to bring a folding chair (if you have one) to the events on the town square because not enough chairs are available to seat everyone. You can spread a quilt on the lawn if you prefer. Just don't stay away because you don't have a chair to bring.

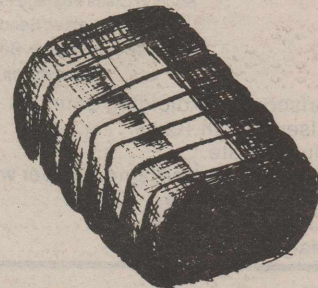
School Employs New Business Teacher

Brian Weaver is coming from Grandfield, Oklahoma to be Silverton High School's business teacher this year. He will replace Sheryl Weaver, who is the new school principal.

He and his wife, Melissa Carol, have a son, Brady Garrett, who was born May 16, 1993.



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Silverton FFA members were pictured at the annual State Convention of Future Farmers of Texas. They are (left to right) Molly Brooks, Kristi Smith, Trey Wyatt and Michelle Warren.

Silverton Members Attend State FFA Convention

The Texas Association of Future Farmers of America held its 67th Annual State Convention in Lubbock July 11-14. Silverton FFA members in attendance were Trey Wyatt, Molly Brooks, Kristi Smith and Michelle Warren.

Kristi Smith was recognized in a special session as an outstanding Texas FFA member. Kristi received the coveted Lone Star FFA Degree at this session, the highest degree awarded by the State FFA Association. Over 6000 members and guests from all over Texas were in attendance at the convention. Theme of the 1995 convention was "Reaching New Heights."

Mr. Weaver was graduated as salutatorian from Grandfield High School in 1990, and received the bachelor of business administration degree magna cum laude from Oklahoma's Panhandle State University in May 1994. He received his bachelor of business administration degree in business education from Panhandle State in May 1995.

They have moved to Silverton and are residing at the corner of Commerce and Braidfoot Streets.

PARADE, BARBECUE,
RODEO, DANCE, BOOTHS,
ENTERTAINMENT
Downtown Silverton
August 12

Electronic Card To Replace Paper Benefit

In 41 counties of West Texas, the state's Department of Human Services (TDHS) is bringing the electronic age to public assistance. A plastic debit card is replacing paper food stamp coupons and checks for Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC).

Beginning August 1, households in the Panhandle and the South Plains areas receiving aid will use an electronic debit card called the Lone Star card. New applicants for food stamps

and AFDC will be issued the card beginning July 24.

The red, white and blue Lone Star card accesses the state's electronic benefit transfer, or EBT system. The EBT system transfers funds electronically from the state to vendors or benefit recipients. Food stamp recipients use the card to pay for groceries at the checkout counter and AFDC recipients use the card to access cash for basic living expenses.

Phase I of the Lone Star card began in parts of Houston last year, and Phase II in the Metroplex went on line June 1. Phase III of the EBT project brings on line Lubbock Region, San Antonio Region, Beaumont Region and the El Paso Region. On August 1, 1995 TDHS will bring over 40,000 households in Region I on the Lone Star card.

The Lone Star card and EBT are expected to be in use throughout the state by the end of 1995.

Lone Star card users who have questions about the card or their benefit accounts can call, toll-free, 1-800-777-7EBT (777-7328).

Catholic Church to Serve Mexican Dinner

Our Lady of Loreto Catholic Church will serve a Mexican dinner beginning at 10:00 a.m. Sunday, July 23, 1995, in the church hall.

Included on the menu will be enchiladas, tacos, chalupas and gorditas.

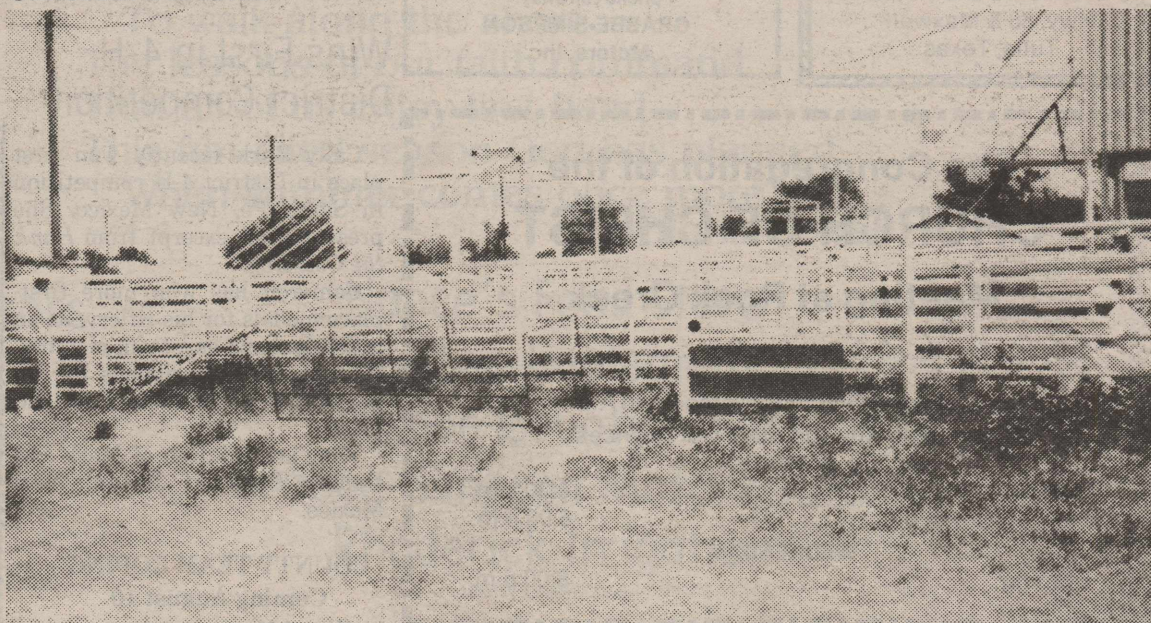
There will be games of Bingo, a pony ride, hay ride and fish pond for the kids.

A volleyball tournament will be played. To enter, call Mike Juarez, 823-2295. Deadline for entries is Friday, July 21.

Everyone is invited to take part.

Trustees from the Texas Department of Corrections unit in Tulia were in Silverton last week, and completely repainted the Wood Memorial Rodeo Arena. The dirt that was brought into the arena for the Enduro has been smoothed, and everything is in readiness for the Briscoe County Birthday Celebration Rodeo and County Roping set for August 10-11-12.

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A Voice From the Country

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Gems & Allegories



Being a minister of some seventy years, I feel like engaging in a bit of preacher's "punditry".

The truth will get you free, but not from the work of exegesis... A good sermon will do good, but a poor sermon does little or nothing... If you say everything in your introduction, you will have nothing left to say... Master yourself, master your content, master your delivery, and let God master the people... Your position gives you influence, your knowledge gives you power, but without character, you have no authority... Christianity, if practiced in our daily lives, can cure every social ill of humanity.



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Dakota Smith

Memphis All-Stars in Little League Tourney In Lubbock This Week

The Memphis Minor League All-Stars will be representing the Eastern Panhandle in the Little League Regional Tournament this weekend in Lubbock.

Dakota Smith, son of Joe Kirk and Angie Smith; grandson of Gordon and Carolyn Lowrey and Joe Edd and Janelle Smith; and great-grandson of Pascal and Donny Garrison, Jewel Lowrey and Ike and Thelma Smith, is a member of this team along with Romeo Ramos and Cliff Yeary of Quitaque and Justin Wilks of Turkey.

The team swept the Area Tournament by defeating Quanah twice at Wellington. Last week in District action, they defeated Dumas 10-9 after having lost a game 13-6 to them earlier. The win over High Plains West 9-8 on Thursday night sends them to the Regional contest.

Wins First in 4-H District Competition

Cally Burk recently won first place in District 4-H competition in Santa Fe, New Mexico. She presented an excerpt from *Hank the Cow Dog*.

Cameron has won more first-place medals for his riflery, as an individual and as a team member. He also got blue ribbons for his performance in barrels, flags and poles.

They are children of Mark and Debbie Burk of Raton, New Mexico.

COUNTY TEAM ROPING

Coming August 10
Wood Memorial Arena

WEATHER

24-HOUR JULY READINGS

DATE	HIGH	LOW	PRECIP.
1	76	56	
2	82	56	.80
3	86	61	.34
4	92	57	
5	87	57	
6	87	57	
7	89	62	
8	92	63	
9	95	62	
10	98	63	
11	100	67	
12	99	65	
13	98	66	
14	94	66	
15	92	69	
16	89	65	.02
17	90	67	
18	85	66	
Total Precip. in July			1.16
Normal Precip. in July			2.39
Total Precip. Year to Date			10.51
Normal Precip. Year to Date			12.95

Norris Reunion Being Held This Weekend

The annual Norris Family Reunion will be taking place at the Charlie Parker home at 800 Braidfoot Street July 22-23.

You are invited to stop by for a visit with the family.

Summer Classes Offered at Wayland

Wayland Baptist University is offering one more microterm session this summer, beginning July 31 and continuing until August 18.

These undergraduate classes enable students to collect up to three hours credit in three weeks, and usually meet from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, with night classes from 6:00 until 10:00 p.m.

Summer IV offers classes in computers in the classroom, world literature, recent America and intermediate Spanish.

For further information, contact the Registrar's office at 296-4706.

Senior Citizens To Have Luncheon

Silverton Senior Citizens will have their regular monthly luncheon and business meeting Friday at the Center.

Members of the Rock Creek Church of Christ will host the luncheon.

Brenda, Holly Beth and Daniel Gaskins of Stanton spent several days last week with Elton and Lanita Cantwell. The Gaskins and Burk cousins had a great time together.

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LOOKING BACK

through the files of the
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July 18, 1985-- Caprock Camera Club to have potluck picnic Saturday at Lake Mackenzie . . . Those attending the State FFA Convention in Houston were Cal Brannon, David Schott, Stephen and Jeannita Stephens, Kristy and Stan Fogerson and Betty Stephens. Schott was winner of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Award and received the Lone Star Farmer degree. The Silverton chapter also received the silver award for BOAC (Building Our American Community) and received National Chapter Rating . . . Stephen Stephens, David Schott and Dick Cogdell, members of the Silverton Future Farmers of America, have accepted checks for \$100 for winning the State FFA Diversified Livestock Production Proficiency Award at the State FFA Convention. They will compete against other state winners to be named one of the four National finalists . . .

Watters reunion held at Lake Mackenzie . . . Nena Loudermilk has broken a hip and is a patient at Methodist Hospital in Lubbock . . . Blanche Newman continues to receive treatment at St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo . . . Ross and Greg Hunter spent last week with their grandmother, Carrie Dickerson . . . Gary Grady is undergoing tests in an Amarillo hospital this week . . . First formal air ambulance service is inaugurated in Lubbock . . .

July 24, 1975-- The descendants of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Leonard (Lee) Perkins gathered for a reunion July 19 in the Silverton School Cafeteria . . . Donald Fleming, Kim, Ty and DeEtta of Byers were weekend guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Fleming . . . Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Vaughan, Douglas and Delton arrived here Tuesday for a visit with his parents, the Ewing Vaughans . . . Mr. and Mrs. Wayland Fitzgerald, Mrs. Guinn Fitzgerald, Nanette, Suzette, Kimberly and DeLyn attended an Appaloosa Horse Show in Amarillo Saturday and Sunday. Suzette brought home four first-place trophies, two from Youth Stakes, 13-17 and two from Appaloosa Stakes. Nanette placed in reining and barrel racing, and Kim placed in western equitation and barrel racing . . . Lester L. Grabbe recently completed all requirements for the Doctor of Philosophy degree at Claremont University Graduate School in California. His area of specialty is the languages and literatures of the ancient Near East . . . A lullaby coffee honoring Mrs. Victor McGavock was held in the home of Mrs. Lynn Frizzell . . .

July 29, 1965-- Mrs. P. J. Seaney, a pioneer resident of Erick, buried in Oklahoma . . . Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Long were in Lockney Tuesday to see his doctor . . . Mmes. J. K. Bean and H. P.

Rampley visited Mrs. Nancy Sumner, Mrs. Clyde Lightsey, Tim Gamble and Joel Morris at Swisher Memorial Hospital one afternoon last week . . . Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Jones have recently enjoyed a vacation trip with relatives in Boswell, Oklahoma, Commerce, Fort Worth and Waco. David Guice of Waco returned home with his aunt and uncle for a visit . . . L. B. Garvin, sr. was thrown from a horse Wednesday afternoon of last week and broke his left arm just above the elbow . . . Mr. and Mrs. Ted Strange, David, Debra and DeAnn are spending a vacation and business trip near Phoenix, Arizona . . . Sue Neely, who attends the Artistic Beauty School in Amarillo, spent the weekend with relatives here . . . Jana Boyles, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Boyles, was honored on her fourth birthday with a party in the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Duck, in Quitaque Sunday . . . Mr. and Mrs. Mike Baird are parents of a son, Russell Coy . . . Mr. and Mrs. Bill Durham and Kirk and the Jesse Grimland children left Tuesday for a vacation with relatives in California . . .

July 28, 1955-- Paige-Sandlin wedding vows solemnized in Lubbock church . . . Rev. Hankins' brother killed in auto accident . . . James May, a recent graduate of the local high school, came near having a critical injury last Thursday. He was working with Doyle Stephens on his well drilling rig in the Lone Star Community when the accident occurred. Billy Wayne Garvin, a fellow worker, took James to the Plainview Hospital. His most serious injury is thought to be a broken forefinger on his left hand . . . Mrs. W. A. McJimsey, Harvey and Helen were in Amarillo Monday . . . Pink and blue shower honors Mrs. Dick Guest in the home of Mrs. Clifton Stodghill . . . Home of Mrs. Pete Chitty is setting for pink and blue shower honoring Mrs. B. A. Thomas . . . Mr. and Mrs. Riely Yates are enjoying a two-week vacation. He works for the Texas Highway Department and she is employed at the local tailor shop . . . Joe and Linda Mercer spent Sunday night with their cousins, Ruth Ann, Margaret, Marilyn and John Minyard . . . Miss Ruby Underwood, who is attending business school in Plainview, is spending a two-week vacation here with her mother, Mrs. John Bean, and Mr. Bean . . . The Silverton Cafe is now under the new management of Vernell and Charles Cowart . . . Mr. and Mrs. Rex Holt and children spent the weekend in Portales, New Mexico with Mr. and Mrs. Lyndon Stephens and family and Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Stephens and family . . .

July 26, 1945-- S-Sgt. John B. Pigg is with the 185th Infantry in the Philippines. He entered service February 28, 1942 and went overseas in August 1942. He spent a year or more in the Hawaiian Islands. He saw action on New Britain Island and was with the Ranger Commandoes who liberated the prisoners on

Luzon. Sgt. Pigg is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Pigg of Quitaque . . . A telegram from the war department came to Mrs. Cecil Young at Quitaque last week notifying her that her husband was killed in action June 9 on Okinawa . . . Editor Roy Hahn wrote: "Bud Perkins told me how he got captured. Said they were spread way too thin when the Germans broke through and his patrol got surrounded. The

sergeant went out by himself and pretty soon he was hollering, 'Perkins, where are you?' Bud was in pretty good shape himself, with a machine gun going, and he'd answer, 'OK I'm right here.' Then the sergeant would say, 'We might as well surrender-they've got us surrounded.' And Bud and the rest of them talked it over and decided to stay. 'They are closing in on us Perkins, let's surrender,' hollered the sergeant from his

forward position. And finally they did--and they found that the sergeant had already been captured and a German had a sub-machine gun at his back forcing him to holler at the rest of the patrol" . . . J. W. McCracken has returned from Bronte where he spent several days with his mother . . . Mrs. J. W. McCracken

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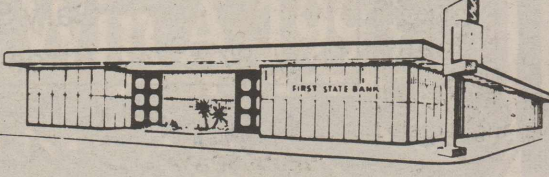
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EXTENSION TOPICS FOR TODAY

by Rhonda Alexander
Briscoe County Extension Agent
Home Economics

"Get Real" Lock-in Planned For July 28

All Briscoe County youth age 9-19 are invited to "Get Real" (Responsible Experiences About Life). The event is being sponsored by the Briscoe County 4-H and Youth Development Committee and Briscoe County 4-H. It has been planned in order to help the youth of today to become aware of some of the issues in the world which will be affecting

them.

The evening will begin on Friday, July 28, with registration at 9:00 p.m. and will end at 7:00 a.m. Activities for the evening will include fun and games, leadership activities, a choice of recreational dancing or movies, snacks, lots of fun, and special programs and discussions on today's youth issues. Issues which will be addressed are AIDS, self-esteem, stress and drug abuse/awareness. Parents also are invited to attend the Lock-In.

"Get Real" will be held at the County Showbarn in Silverton and will have free admission to all. If you have questions or would like more information, please call 823-2131, Ext. 12, or

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come by the Briscoe County office of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Caprock-Plains FLBA Announces Its Patronage Distribution

Members of the Caprock-Plains Federal Land Bank Association (FLBA) of Plainview recently received a patronage distribution totaling \$202,193 from the association.

The patronage distribution was deposited into the future payment trust accounts of 725 FLBA members, effective June 30. Each member-borrower's share of the distribution was

based on the amount of interest they paid on their FLBA loan in 1994.

"This distribution amounts to a 7.14 percent return of interest paid by our members last year," said association CEO Mike Howell. "In effect, it reduced their 1994 interest rate by half a percentage point or more."

In 1991, the association lowered its stock requirement for borrowing from the association to two percent of a member's loan balance, from five percent. This move resulted in \$1.82 million being returned to FLBA members from the association.

"Caprock-Plains FLBA is a well capitalized, financially strong organization. Borrower repayment and loan demand have been strong. With the addition of this latest patronage distribution we have returned a total of \$2,023,403 to our members in 1991 and 1995," Howell said. "We are pleased to share our success with our members."

Caprock-Plains FLBA is a farmer and rancher-owned lending cooperative which makes long-term agricultural and rural real estate loans in Briscoe, Floyd, Hale and Motley counties. Headquartered in Plainview, the association had nearly \$38.5 million in loans outstanding at its fiscal year-end, December 31, 1994.

THURSDAY, JULY 20, 1995

Happy Birthday To ...

- July 20--Brenna Marie Syme, Sherry Mattheus
- July 21--Pat Whitfill, Colby Self, Alisha Breedlove
- July 22--Brenda Patton, Jane Maciel, Lisa Gragson
- July 23--Arlene Curry, Tina Nance, Fannie Francis
- July 24--Jordan Ryan Morris, Jesse Maciel, Suzette Nistler, Marsha Brunson, Melody Farley
- July 25--Carver Monroe
- July 26--Andy Bullock, Jo Ann McFall, Jay Towe, Merle Roehr

Happy Anniversary To ...

- July 20--Mr. and Mrs. Mike Grady, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Estes, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Haertling
- July 23--Mr. and Mrs. Stan Fogerson, Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Thomas
- July 24--Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Baird, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Smith
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Five Times to Contact Social Security

by Mary Jane Shanes
Social Security Office Manager
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Because Social Security taxes are automatically deducted from most paychecks, many people may take Social Security for granted. They feel they don't have to do anything to insure their protection or collect their benefits. This could be a mistake.

Unfortunately, with Social Security, what you don't know can hurt you. For one thing, Social Security is not just for retirement. It also pays benefits if you die or become disabled before retirement. So you need to know when you can apply for benefits, how much you can expect, and how to make sure your benefits are there for you.

Just remember there are at least five times you should contact Social Security:

- to change your name when you get married;
- to get an application for a Social Security number;
- to get a request for Earnings and Benefit Estimate Statement;
- if you notice an error on your earnings record;
- if you need to apply or inquire about benefits because someone in your family:
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Heat, Humidity Pose Heatstroke Danger

With summer, the annual hazard of heat-related illnesses becomes an important health concern throughout the U. S.

Health officials warn that elevated temperatures, particularly when combined with high humidity, cause about 200 deaths from heatstroke and thousands of cases of heat cramps or heat exhaustion in the U. S. each year.

Dr. Daniel Goldman, medical consultant for the Bureau of Chronic Disease Prevention at the Texas Department of Health (TDH), said, "High temperatures are physically tolerated by most people for short periods of time." However, some form of heat-related illness may occur when high temperatures accompany exertion or high humidity.

"In humid heat," he said, "the body's principal cooling mechanism (evaporation of perspiration from the skin) may be overworked, resulting in fluid losses of up to a liter per hour. If

fluids and salts lost through perspiration are not soon replaced, dehydration and electrolyte imbalances can occur."

Dr. Goldman explained that such dehydration slows perspiration, which leads to an increase in body core temperature. The condition is called hyperthermia, or heat stress. Depending on the degree and duration of heat stress, heat exhaustion or even heatstroke may occur.

"Although prolonged heat stress can be fatal to anyone, persons older than 60 appear to have the highest risk for death from classic heatstroke. To a lesser extent, young children, people with histories of alcoholism and persons using certain medicines also are at increased risk of heatstroke," he said.

Persons at risk of heatstroke from exertion also include athletes, military personnel, obese persons and manual laborers. "Indeed, any unacclimated person involved in unusual exertion combined with high temperature and humidity

risks exertional heatstroke."

"To help avoid illness from heat stress during sultry summer weather," Dr. Goldman said, "people should limit strenuous physical activities, wear light-colored, loose-fitting clothing and drink two-to-five times their normal daily intake of water." Also, they should spend two or three hours per day in an air-conditioned building, or seek shade when outdoors. People with heart disease or respiratory problems, or those taking medications, should be alert to any signs of illness such as headache, nausea, dizziness, fatigue, rapid pulse, shortness of breath, disorientation, cold and clammy skin or hot and dry skin.

Adults should be conscious that children can quickly become dehydrated in hot, humid weather. They also need increased fluids and light clothing, and their parents should check frequently on their comfort. Also, children or pets should never be left unattended in parked cars or hot, unventilated buildings.

Goldman said that keeping track of the local weather forecast

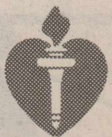
can help the public learn if precautions are advisable on a particular day. Forecasters often refer to the "heat index" or "apparent temperature," a calculation of how hot the air may feel to humans. A heat index reading of 105 degrees or more,

for example, is considered "very hot" and potentially dangerous, yet it can occur while thermometer readings are still in the mid-80's, if the relative humidity level is 95 percent or higher.

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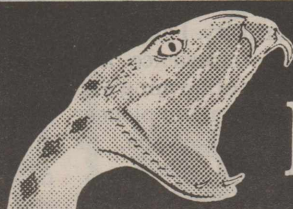
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A river rafting trip on the Taos Rio Grande was enjoyed on "free day" by Silverton Scouts at Camp Tres Ritos last week. Pictured with the guide are Ryan Minyard, Andrew Francis, Rance Young, Matt Strange and Tyler Young.

BRISCOE COUNTY NEWS
Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,
After all these years I almost feel I should re-introduce myself before explaining the accompanying article. When I left writing for the "Owl's Hoot" in Silverton, I had every intention of being a writer for the rest of my life, but have only managed a few publications through the years, and most of them photographs, at that. Parenting distracted me in a major way, but I seem to have passed my "writing genes" on to my oldest son, Jacob Clifton, who is a National Merit Scholar and received a four-year full scholarship to the University of Houston in Creative Writing (thank God!).

However, I woke early one morning a few weeks ago and wrote out the thoughts in the attached piece that I would like for you to consider sharing with "Silver-tonians" in the paper. If it is inappropriate, please let me know immediately. If not, and you decide to print it, please send me a few copies of the paper and bill me. I would like to share it with my family. The article itself is pretty self-explanatory and I thought it would also help to publicize the book Carolyn Lowrey has put together on the Silverton Cemetery.

There have been many times in recent years that I have thought about asking you guys if I could occasionally submit articles. My interest in historical research (ranching, pioneer heritage-and now, cowboy poetry) has been percolating in the background, but burst full-blown when I saw the "Charlie Goodnight" play in Lubbock in May. It was wonderful! I've thought of doing a series of interviews supplemented with research about the ranches in West Texas. I am in the process now of approaching some owners about doing that sort of thing. With a family to support I don't have the freedom to do it as a hobby. We'll see if there are any "bites".

Actually, one of the most interesting projects I have worked on was just this type of thing.

As a graduate student at Tech before Matthew was born ('82-'83), I worked for Dr. David Murrah at the Southwest Collection on *Pitchfork Land and Cattle Company: The First Hundred Years*. Besides typing, research and all but the final editing, I also did the photographic restoration. It was a wonderful challenge! I carried the book almost from the beginning to production while David worked on other projects. I even was privileged to help set up the first Pitchfork Museum at Headquarters. So, my interest isn't just idle curiosity. I also have the background experience and the understanding of farming and ranching (and my genetic pioneer heritage!) that, I hope, is appropriate to such a task.

Anyway, let me know if you are interested in occasional pieces along those lines. I am also doing

some women's spirituality writing, but somehow I don't think that's quite appropriate for your readers! I would like to re-establish a connection with you. I see you as my early mentors (along with Faye Rampley) and have wanted often to tell you how much I still appreciate your early encouragement. THANKS! Hope to hear from you soon.

Sincerely,
Vicky Vaughan
5216 Treemont #1204
Midland, TX 79707

(Vicky, we probably will use your article in our county celebration paper, but it would have been good for a memorial day issue, too. Let us hear from you whenever you are moved to contribute to your former hometown newspaper.)

**Quarter Horse Museum
To Hold Career Day**

by Rebel L. Royall
Briscoe County Extension Agent

The American Quarter Horse Heritage Center and Museum is hosting a career day for 4-H youths on Thursday, August 3, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The seminar focuses on exploring careers in the equine industry, and will host guest speakers involved in various facets of the equine industry.

The seminar will cost \$7.00 per

OBITUARIES

WILLIAM LUTHER VARDELL

Funeral services for William Luther Vardell, 87, were conducted at 3:00 p.m. Friday at Steed-Todd Funeral Home Chapel in Clovis, New Mexico, with the Rev. Cecil Vaughan, brother-in-law of the deceased, officiating. Burial was in Lawn Haven Memorial Gardens.

Mr. Vardell died Thursday, July 13.

Born in Erick, Oklahoma, he was a son of J. J. and Nellie Cordellia (Loudermilk) Vardell. The Vardell family moved to Quitaque in 1922 and to the Haylake community in March 1924.

He married the former Irene Vaughan, who also resided in the Haylake community, July 24, 1929 in Silverton.

They moved to Clovis in 1942 and he retired from Santa Fe Railway in 1972 after 30 years.

Survivors include his wife; four daughters, Peggy Olsen of Sun City West, Arizona, Jo Ann Walton and Rita Martinez, both of Albuquerque, New Mexico, and Kay Brewer of Frankfurt, Germany; two sisters, Maggie Sweek and Annie Williams, both of Silverton; two brothers, O. T. (Dodie) Vardell of Hereford and Willard (Wimpy) Vardell of Silverton; seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two sisters, Bessie and Eunice, and two brothers, Hilton (Runt) and Larken.

The family suggested memorials be made to the Hart Youth Ranch.

THURSDAY, JULY 20, 1995

person which includes lunch and admission to the Heritage Center. Parents and leaders are welcome to attend for the same fee.

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July 17, 1925-- P. A. Mallow, 34, died following an operation at the Floydada hospital last Saturday afternoon. He was farming the Fred Bell place 1½ miles northwest of town and is survived by his wife and baby and a brother and mother who were living with him . . . Frank Fisch has been having some trouble with his windmill this week . . . Mrs. R. E. Brookshier is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Doak, at Hereford . . . Amy Burson, 14-year-old daughter of J. R. Burson, was operated on for an advanced case of appendicitis Saturday night. She is reported to be getting along satisfactorily . . . The Intermediate BYPU Class surprised Mrs. G. C. Patton with a handkerchief shower Saturday evening. Those present were Coleman Draper, Green Buchanan, Zollie Mae Bomar, Marguerite Morgan, Ivy Strange, Kate Thompson, Maurice Foust, John D. Warren, Jim Web Carter, Pauline Brock, Earl Brock, Geraldine and Mildred Patton . . . J. W. Monroe and son stopped in Silverton as they were enroute to Arizona . . . Burson Motor Company was offering a new fordor Ford sedan for \$660 . . . Mrs. Miner Crawford and daughter, Iris, visited in Tulia Monday and Tuesday . . .

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 SECOND & FOURTH TUESDAYS:
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 WEDNESDAY:
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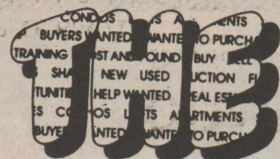
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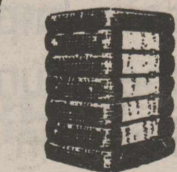
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