

**All Around
The Town**

BY MARY ANN SARCHET



I spoke to Roy Garris last week about the water level at Lake Mackenzie, and he told me that the depth at the dam was 80.5 feet. Later Fred Strange mentioned reading in *Looking Back* about the water level being 113 feet at the dam.

There's one thing about *Looking Back*: it gives us a quick comparison about how things were then and how they are now.

We made a quick run into Lubbock enroute to the football game at Cotton Center Friday afternoon to deliver some printing, and coming back north of the air terminal I noticed quite a bit of open cotton. It surely did look good to see it, with so much of the crop in this area being so late.

Mentioned this to Dwain Henderson Saturday, and he told me that Zane had found some on the Stark place. Several have told us since then that the bolls are beginning to crack in this area. That really is good news with the season having been so unusual this year!

Dimmitt Agri-Industries reported receiving a load of milo from the farm of Don and Glenna Crooks northeast of Tulia on Monday of last week, but even so much of it still needs quite a bit more time in the field. It is good to see it turning amber and red, but much of it still has quite a lot of green heads.

In the *Out At The Farm* column written by "Juan Optimist" in the Tulia Sentinel each week he states that cotton is beginning to get fairly dry in places and that milo is definitely needing water. You may know that this column is written by John Herring. Corn is being harvested on his farms, and also quite a few other places, and I think I saw some of their pumpkins being picked. I guess their pumpkin business will pick up with the coming of the Halloween and Thanksgiving holidays. Time is going by so fast that these holidays will be here before we know it. I still don't know what happened to August!

**Homecoming
Activities**

Thursday, September 11-- Bonfire on school grounds near rodeo arena at about 8:30 p.m.

Friday, September 12--Pep Rally, 2:30 p.m. in the new P. E. gym

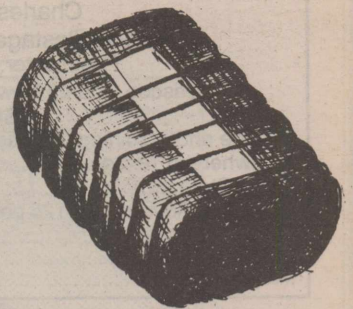
Football game with Miami kicks off at 7:30 p.m. at Payne Field

Football Queen to be crowned at halftime of the football game

Homecoming dance for the high school students after the game from 9:30 until 12:00



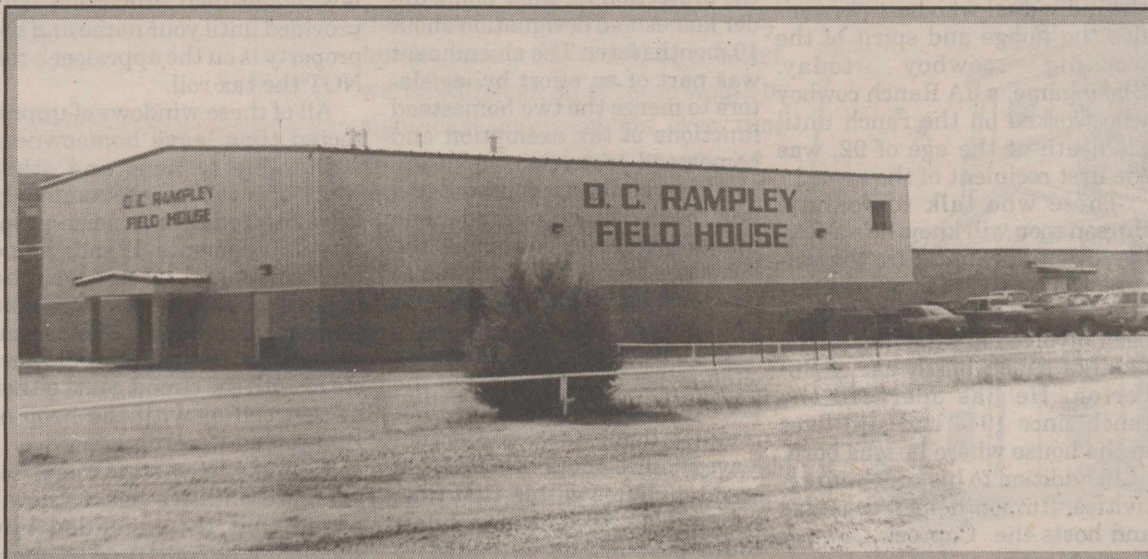
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The new field house has been named in honor of a former student and outstanding athlete in Silvertown High School who went on to serve for many years as principal, then superintendent of schools, O. C. Rampley. He has been a lifetime resident of Briscoe County and continues to live on the place where he was reared southeast of Silvertown. *Briscoe County News Photo*

**Junior Class To
Serve Turkey
Dinner Sunday**

The SHS Class of 1999 (Junior Class) will be serving turkey, dressing and all the trimmings in the school cafeteria Sunday, September 14.

A special feature of the dinner will be homemade desserts.

Everyone is encouraged to come enjoy this delicious meal between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

The price for adults will be \$5.00 per plate and children eight and under will be admitted for \$3.00. Bring your whole family and help the Junior Class.

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**Stock Show Building Committee
Still Needing Donations to Finish**

The Silvertown Stock Show Building Committee would like to take this opportunity to thank the following businesses and individuals for their donations: Silvertown Fire Department, Briscoe County Activities Association, Nance's Food Store, Joe Luckenbach, Lavy Pump Service, Johnson's Gin and First State Bank.

The donations will be used to purchase supplies for building pens, which will enable the Briscoe County Livestock Show to be held in Silvertown. The pens are being completed now, and should be finished in time for the stock show in January.

Those individuals who were interested in the stock show be-

ing held in Silvertown again are being asked for their help. The supplies for building the pens were ordered on faith that enough money would be donated to pay the bill when due. As of this time the fund is several hundred dollars short of this goal, and the remaining materials needed to finish the pens have not been purchased.

Anyone interested in donating to the Silvertown Stock Show Building Fund may see Deb Burson, Dorothy Johnson or Morris Wilcox. Any excess funds will be used to repair and update bleachers, cattle pens, etc. and for construction of additional holding areas.

**Gospel Magician to Present Two
Performances in
Silvertown Soon**

Ray Collins, gospel magic evangelist, will be performing at the Silvertown School on the morning of Wednesday, September 17, and at First Baptist Church at 7:00 p.m. that same day.

"Ray Collins is no illusion, he is the real thing," said Scott K. Blount, youth minister of Old Orchard Church of Christ in Ashland, Kentucky. "I was most impressed with his love for Jesus as it shines through his presentation. The slight of hand combined with the gospel message is captivating. He compares the slight of hand illusions to the

tricks Satan tries to play on people, while encouraging the audience to trust in the One who needs no illusion--Jesus."

Collins is a native of Portsmouth, Ohio, but currently lives in Zanesville, Ohio. He has been using object lessons, illusions and sleight of hand since 1984 to spread the gospel. He is a member of the Fellowship of Christian Magicians.

The Chamber Needs You!

**Dinner Theater to Highlight
Caprock Arts Festival Here**

The Silvertown Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a dinner theater on October 18, 1997, as entertainment for the Caprock Arts Festival.

Those interested in participating in a community theater project are invited to attend an organizational meeting on Monday, September 15, 1997, from 6:30 - 7:00 (before Booster Club) in the Pioneer Room at First State Bank. This is a very important meeting and interested participants are encouraged to attend.

This is a new project, and if interest is great enough, it should provide another venue for

Silvertown's many talented citizens.

Please make plans to attend. Remember, not every member of a theater group is an actor or actress. If you would like more information, you may contact Betty Nan Tiffin.

**News Office
Closed Today**

The office of the Briscoe County News is closed today and the owners are attending a computer seminar at Amarillo College.

Briscoe County News will reopen at 6:30 a.m. Friday.

WEATHER

**SEPTEMBER 24-HOUR
READINGS**

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2	92	61	
3	93	60	
4	76	66	
5	80	64	
6	87	64	
7	91	62	
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9	95	62	
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Winner Embodies Spirit of West

Keeping the spirit of the West alive is the goal of the recipients of the Cowboy Culture Awards, one of whom is Johnnie Burson of Silverton. Nominations for the prestigious awards came from across the United States. Honorees were selected for their contributions to cowboy culture and Western heritage.

The 1997 American Cowboy Culture Awards were presented in a special ceremony Thursday, September 4, at 8:00 p.m. at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center. Sponsored by Wrangler, Inc. of Greensboro, North Carolina and the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal, the awards were made in the likeness of an original painting of a working cowboy by Brian Asher of Guthrie, Texas by sculptor Phil Bob Borman of Capital, New Mexico.

The award received by Johnnie Burson is also known as

the Tom Blasingame Working Cowboy Award. It is presented to the individual who best personifies the image and spirit of the working cowboy today. Blasingame, a JA Ranch cowboy who worked on the ranch until his death at the age of 92, was the first recipient of the award.

Those who talk to Johnnie Burson soon will know he's a cowboy; eventually he'll turn the conversation to cattle and horses.

From an early age, Burson has been involved in ranching on the family's ranch northeast of Silverton. He has operated the ranch since 1944 and still lives in the house where he was born.

In addition to his ranching activities, Burson helped organize and hosts the Caprock Cowboy Camp Meeting on his ranch each year. The event was begun in 1993 to fulfill the spiritual needs of cowboys and others of all ages.

Change in Texas Homestead Law Doesn't Guarantee Protection

The state legislature has made changes to homestead laws that will automatically give homeowners the chance to protect their homes from being claimed by creditors in lawsuit or bankruptcy proceedings.

But such protection isn't guaranteed. In fact, it could easily be lost.

Under the terms of the new amended law, homeowners who file for a homestead tax exemption may be eligible and receive the protection for their home under homestead designation about 10 months later. The amendment was part of an effort by legislators to merge the two homestead functions of tax exemption and homestead protection.

Although the amendment will link the two functions under one filing, it will not guarantee the homestead protection function at the time of filing or anytime thereafter.

For one thing, the 10-month window between the time of the tax exemption filing and the automatic homestead protection leaves homeowners vulnerable to creditor claims within that time frame. The 10-month window could possibly be extended to nearly two years if you weren't eligible for that year's tax exemption.

For example, if a homeowner files for tax exemption but comes under financial difficulty within the next 10 months, or gets sued, there is nothing to prevent a creditor from placing a lien on the homeowner's property.

To get instant protection, Texas homeowners still can turn to the company that has been providing assistance to Texans who want homestead protection for the last several years--Homestead Recording Services. This company still is doing the Designation of Homestead filings according to a provision in the law that allows homeowners instant protection.

For a \$25 fee, the company will prepare the documentation that needs to be filed to instantly protect your home from all creditor claims, whether it's a lawsuit or a bankruptcy. For another \$22, the company will save you the hassle of filing the documents in circuit court yourself by letting them file it for you.

The instant Homestead protection (still available under the current law) not only will protect your property within the 10-month time frame under the amended law. It also will protect you every year.

Under the new law, homeowners who forget to renew their homestead filings every year will lose both their tax exemption status and their homestead protection. But by recording your Designation of Homestead in the circuit court you won't lose it if you forget to file for your Tax Exemption.

Another problem with the new law is that the protection is available only to those who live in their homes as of January 1. If they moved in later than that, they must wait another year to file, leaving them vulnerable for up to nearly two years.

Even if a homeowner is on the local property tax roll as of January 2, it might not be until the summer or even the fall before the home is listed on the county appraiser's roll. Under the new law, homestead protection isn't provided until your name and the property is on the appraiser's roll NOT the tax roll.

All of these windows of unprotected time leave homeowners vulnerable to liens and other writs of attachment, commonly used by creditors to seize property in judgments. If your name and property is not on the appraiser's roll, there's nothing to protect your home, unless you have filed a Designation of Homestead with the circuit court either by yourself or with the help of Homestead Recording Service.

Even the Texas state comptroller representative has acknowledged that the amended law should not be construed as guaranteed protection for homeowners. The comptroller recently concurred that, under the current law, homeowners might not have legal homestead designation protection for up to two years. One good thing about getting the protection by filing for the tax exemption is it is free. However how free is it if it might cost you your home?

Don't be vulnerable. Either file

your Designation of Homestead yourself with the circuit court or get the assistance of Homestead Recording Services at 800-400-1693. But in any case don't take any chances with your home. Remember filing or receiving the Designation of Homestead protection after the fact does not protect your home from previously filed writs or judgments.

Excellent Dove Season Awaits County's Hunters

Pammy Millican
 County Extension Agent

A thriving dove population in Texas this summer has biologists predicting excellent hunting. An estimated 400-thousand hunters will descend on Texas this dove season and they will not be disappointed.

Texas Parks & Wildlife biologist David Rideout says breeding dove populations have increased 29 percent as the birds recover from last year's drought. It's the highest population since 1992.

He recommends finding areas where food, water and shelter are close together such as near sunflower, milo or corn fields.

Dove season began September 1 in the northern and central parts of the state. The South Texas season opens September 20.

Throughout most of the state, the bag limit is 15 mourning, white-winged, and white-tipped doves.

Rideout reminds hunters to renew their licenses and get a dove stamp. All licenses expire August 31.



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through the files of the

Briscoe County News

September 10, 1987-Owls to open home season with Lefors . . . Rev. Jimmy Browning became pastor of First Baptist Church in Silverton Monday, and said he and his family are very happy to be making their home here . . . Miss Nelle Bryant suffered a broken arm in a fall at her home Monday . . . Larry Comer returned to Lubbock for a checkup on the surgery and skin grafting he underwent there last week. He was hospitalized all week as the result of being bitten on the leg by a rattlesnake August 30 . . . Ted and LaVern Kingery enjoyed the Labor Day weekend with their children, Carl and Fran Brown of Chickasha, Oklahoma, Merle, Annette and Shalana Roehr of Cedar Hill, Anthony, Kathy, Kara and Shauna Kingery. Joining the group Saturday were Mrs. Eliza Kingery of Roaring Springs, Leon and Juanita Kingery, Vickie and Leann Carroll, all of Lubbock, Newt and Beavis Dickson of Amarillo . . .

September 15, 1977-Carol Stodghill is Worthy Advisor of Rainbow Assembly here . . . There will be a hearing to discuss the abandonment of the railroad spur from Sterley to Silverton in Plainview September 29-30 . . . Owls travel to Claude Friday night . . . W. J. (Jeff) McMurtry, 77, long-time Archer County rancher, buried last week . . . First bale of cotton ginned at Quitaque . . . Senior Class officers are Mark Reeves, president; Arlene Lavy, vice president; Debbie Storie, secretary; Mignone Rauch, treasurer; Jackie Vaughn, parliamentarian; Donna Grabbe, reporter; Linda Vaughn and Jace Francis, Student Council representatives . . . Elected to serve as officers of the Junior Class were Earl Jarrett, president; Mitchell Simpson, vice president; Kim Cornett, secretary; Dave Francis, treasurer; Twila Wood and Thomas Perkins, parliamentarians; Twila Wood and Kirk Durham, Student Council representatives . . . Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brooks are parents of a son, Jeremiah . . . Mrs. David Tipton underwent an emergency appendectomy in Plainview Sunday morning . . . Sophomore officers are Greg Hill, president; Mike Cornett, vice president; Marilyn Hardin, secretary; Melissa Greenhaw, treasurer; Zane Reagan, parliamentarian; Connie Rowell, reporter; Traci Mayfield and Greg Hill, Student Council representatives . . .

September 7, 1967-Willson-Nichols Lumber Company, established here in 1925 by the late T. M. Nichols and operated continuously by the Nichols family for forty years, has been sold this week, according to a joint announcement by Jim Tom Nichols and Ware Fogerson. Mr. and Mrs. Fogerson purchased the lumber company and are in business at

that location today . . . Army Private First Class Harrell G. Minyard, 22, is participating in "Operation Barking Sands" in Vietnam with other members of the 25th Infantry Division's 1st Brigade . . . Margie Arnold was named All-Around Cowgirl of the Tulia Junior Rodeo sponsored by the Swisher County Fair Association . . . Leo Comer elected to serve as president of the Quarterback Club. Charles Whitfill is vice-president and Mrs. Vivone Arnold is the new secretary-treasurer . . . Carron Montague, editor of the 1967 edition of The Owllet, Silverton School yearbook, has announced that there are some extra copies of the books on sale . . . A Brannon reunion was held at Lake Pauline over the weekend . . . Mrs. Shelby Haynes is a patient in Swisher Memorial Hospital . . . Barbara Lynn Davis and Kathy Self were delegates to the Texas Youth Conference in Austin . . . Silverton's Owls pulled off an easy six touch-downs to defeat the scoreless Nazareth Swifts August 25, according to Coach Fox . . . Mrs. Delphine Kleman, R. N., is returning to Silverton as school nurse this year . . . Senior Class officers are Terry Grimland, president; Randy Cantwell, vice-president; Debbie Dickerson, secretary; Jan Hutsell, treasurer; Tim Mattheus, reporter; Dale Sissney and Van May, parliamentarians; James Ross Alexander, sponsor . . .

September 19, 1957-Wilson Grain Co. completing large storage elevator . . . Tomlin-Fleming Gin turns out first bale on new electric gin here . . . Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Smith were host to a supper honoring her father, G. H. Thomas, on his 70th birthday September 12 . . . Mr. and Mrs. Don Burson, Tommy Don and John True are visiting relatives in Fort Worth for a few days . . . Mr. and Mrs. Noble Lyde and daughters were weekend visitors of her mother, Mrs. Wiley Bomar, sr. and other relatives . . . Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Nance and son, J. D. Nance, visited Mrs. P. D. Jasper and Dawn Monday . . . Haylake Club meets with Elsie Cornett . . . Mr. and Mrs. Judd Donnell of Las Vegas, New Mexico are parents of a son born there September 4 . . . Mrs. A. L. McMurtry visited Mrs. Mary Daniels in the Tulia hospital on Monday . . . Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Riddle, Roy and Joy Morrison visited Mr. and Mrs. C. L. McWilliams, Linda and Janet Saturday afternoon . . . Don Thomas, son of Mr. and Mrs. Perry Thomas, jr., left Thursday to enter Texas Tech . . . Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Stephens are parents of a daughter, Tammy Lynn . . .

September 11, 1947-1947 County Fair plans near completion . . . The pep squad leaders this year are Joye Deavenport, Marion Arnold, Sybil Absher and

Norma Jo Teeple. Mrs. King is sponsor of the organization. This year's uniform will consist of maroon pleated skirts with maroon battle jackets and white blouses . . . Plans to secure doctor continue . . . Jackie McDaniel left last week for Albuquerque, New Mexico to take his physical for the Army . . . Mrs. Wm. F. Talley will start her Expression and Personality Singing Class next Monday . . . In the election held at Rock Creek last Saturday to determine whether or not the Rock Creek Schoolhouse would be sold, citizens of that community voted to sell. Believed to be accurate, but unofficially, the tabulation was given as follows: 15 for selling the school and with only nine against . . . New sidewalk to be on north end of "Main Drag" . . . A farewell supper honoring George Rampley, who left Tuesday for Las Cruces, New Mexico to attend school, was given in the home of Ray and Norma Jo Teeple's grandparents, "Papa Bert and Mama Teeple" in Floydada Monday night. Attending the supper were Ray Teeple, Nelda Montague, Clifton Stodghill, Betty Dickerson, Jimmy Price, Lona Stephens, Wilton Whitehead, Shirley Haynes, George Rampley and the hostess, Norma Jo Teeple . . .

After a snake eats a large meal, it may not feed again for several weeks.

Happy Birthday- Happy Anniversary-

September 11--Kelli Harrison, Windy Wood, Norma Birdwell, Kurby Garvin, Pat Rice

September 12--Sharon Bell, Tracy Baird, Alpha Mattheus, Tammy Brannon, Harold Storie, Deb Burson, Dayne Mayfield

September 13--Ryan Grady, Winnie Smith, Bud Couch, Roy Younger

September 14--Bonnie May, Brenda Gill, Brandon Bitner, Doug Turner, Anna Augusta Younger

September 15--Kaylee Self, Cody Craig Patton

September 16---Charla Rhoderick, Faye Whitfill, Arnold

September 13--Mr. and Mrs. Fred Minyard, Mr. and Mrs. Andy Wills

September 16--Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Rampley, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Patton, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Todd

An astrolabe is an instrument ancient astronomers used to measure the angles of celestial bodies above the horizon.

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September 17--Bud Vaughan, Bill Brooks, Jared Wood Holt, Judy Gill, Melinda Stockton, Polly Jarrett

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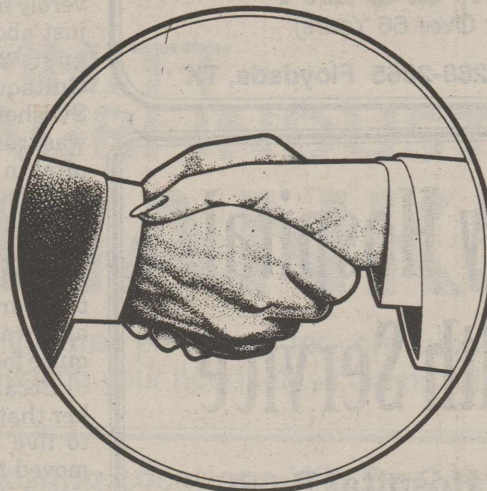
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Pesticide-Contaminated Clothes Clean Up Their Act

Calley Payne
Briscoe County
Extension Agent-FCS

Laundry becomes a bigger chore when washing clothes that are contaminated with pesticides.

According to Dr. Mary Ketchersid, Extension associate for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, clothes that are worn when using pesticides need to be run through the washer twice.

"It's important to have pesticides washed off your clothes so there is not any intimate contact with your skin for a long period of time," Ketchersid said. Long-term contact may lead to chronic health problems, she added.

Ketchersid recommends using hot water and a heavy duty detergent. She adds that the loads should be small and that highly-contaminated clothes should be kept separate from other clothes.

"If you had some clothes that

were just saturated with pesticides, you'd want to keep those separated from your normal work clothes that may have just a little bit on them," Ketchersid said.

After the washing cycles are complete, it is better to line dry the clothes in the sun, Ketchersid said. The organic compounds in the pesticides are susceptible to photodegradation. Sunlight breaks down the chemical molecules.

Ketchersid said to avoid using the dryer if possible. In bad weather only, use the dryer on high heat.

"The compounds may volatilize in your dryer and could stick to the plastic liner and be there forever," Ketchersid said.

After washing, clean the washer by running an empty cycle with hot water and detergent.

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FCE Clubs To Have New Beginnings Here

Calley Payne
Briscoe County
Extension Agent-FCS

FCE Clubs (formerly Extension Homemakers and Home Demonstration Clubs) have gradually fizzled out in Briscoe County. Many things show how these clubs were important to this community and also lots of fun during their active years.

Therefore, the Briscoe County Office of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service would like to offer a New Beginning for FCE in this county.

The kick-off will be the New Beginnings Luncheon at 12:00 noon on Tuesday, September 23 in the Pioneer Room of the First State Bank in Silverton.

Anyone interested in beginning an FCE Club or just wanting to learn about FCE should attend.

Alby Peters, Potter County Extension Agent for Family & Consumer Science, will be presenting a special program that day.

Please RSVP by calling the Extension Office at 823-2131 by Wednesday, September 17.

Lottie Owens Moves to Lubbock

Lottie Owens, formerly of Quitaque, is now at her new residence in Lubbock after spending the entire month of August in St. Mary Hospital.

Mrs. Owens suffered a severely broken bone in her left leg, just above the knee cap, on August 2, at the Allsup's in Quitaque. After being taken to Swisher Memorial Hospital, she was transferred to St. Mary Hospital in Lubbock, where she underwent surgery the following day to repair the break.

She spent the next four weeks in St. Mary's Rehabilitation Center, learning to use a wheelchair and walker, which she will require for at least another month.

Because her doctors informed her that she should no longer try to live alone, Mrs. Owens has moved into Grand Court, an assisted-living facility in Lubbock.

Her new address is: 4601 71st Street, #101, Lubbock, TX 79424. Her telephone number is 806-793-7010, and she would love to hear from friends and family across Briscoe County.

She is the mother of Eddie Owens, who is an administrative employee of St. Mary Hospital, and Dwain Henderson of Silverton.

Little cakes of salt stamped with the likeness of the emperor were once used as money in China.

Cartoonist Bob Kane called his superhero Birdman in 1939 before he came up with the name Batman.



CAPITOL
COMMENT

U.S. SENATOR

KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON



BUDGET DEALS A BETTER HAND TO SMALL BUSINESS

There is one difference between a tax collector and a taxidermist. The taxidermist leaves the hide.

Congress spent a good part of last summer debating federal tax policies, and though we couldn't do as much as I would have liked, I am pleased to report that small businesses are going to have a little more hide left when next year's tax day rolls around. What follows is a rundown on provisions of the law as it affects small business:

Does the new law change the rule for small businesses mandating electronic filing of payroll taxes?

Yes, it does. The requirement for electronic filing has caused major headaches for small businesses. Many felt they were not given enough time to adapt to the new system. Not all banks are equipped for their customers to file electronically, and the banks that were equipped imposed surcharges for the service — in effect, increasing the tax rate. The new law delays penalties for failing to comply with the requirement through July 1, 1998. Congress plans to revisit this issue next year. At that time, I hope we either will extend the deadline once again, or change the rules to require electronic payment of federal employment taxes only if the amount of taxes to be deposited exceeds a specified minimum. I am co-sponsoring a bill that would set those minimums as follows: those paying a minimum of \$30 million in 1996 would have to file electronically by January, 1998; \$20 million in 1997 by January, 1999; \$10 million in 1998 by January, 2000; \$5 million in 1999 by 2001 and beyond.

How does the new law affect the corporate alternative minimum tax (AMT)?

Small businesses with average gross receipts of less than \$5 million will be exempted from the corporate AMT. They qualify if they have average gross receipts of less than \$5 million for the three-year period beginning after December 31, 1994 and ending December 31, 1997. A corporation that met these requirements over the past three years will continue to be exempt from the AMT, so long as its average gross receipts do not exceed \$7.5 million.

How does the new law address the home office deduction?

It clarifies the definition of a "principal place of business." This will expand the number of taxpayers eligible for this deduction. The office must be used by the taxpayer to conduct administrative or management activities of a business, and there may be no other fixed location where the taxpayer conducts substantial business activities.

Did Congress make any progress toward reducing the estate tax?

The answer is yes, but in my view, we did not go far enough. I favor abolishing the estate tax altogether. However, the new law includes a \$1.3 million estate tax exclusion for family-owned small businesses and family farms. The family must have owned or materially participated in the business or farm for at least five of the eight years preceding the death. In addition, each qualified heir (or member of the qualified family) is required to materially participate in the business for at least five years of any eight-year period within 10 years following the death. For individuals, the estate tax exemption rises over the next 10 years from \$600,000 to \$1 million — too slow, but better than what we have now.

As far as I'm concerned, small businesses are still taxed at too high a rate, both in direct payments and indirectly through the imposition of pointless rules and ineffective but expensive regulatory requirements. I will continue to work on finding better ways for the government to deal with the economic engines that create two out of every three jobs in our country: America's small businesses. 9.5.97

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Postal Service Announces Rural Carrier Associate Examinations

The Rural Carrier Associate examination for the Childress, TX Area Eligibility Register (AER) will be open to the general public for APPLICATION beginning Monday, September 29 through Friday, October 3, 1997.

Offices included in the Childress AER are: Childress, Chillicothe, Clarendon, Crowell, Lakeview, Memphis, Paducah, Quanah, Quitaque, Roaring Springs and Silverton, TX.

Rural Carrier Associates are part-time non-career positions only, who relieve the regular ru-

ral carrier on his/her day off and for vacation or illness. Salary begins at \$11.55 per hour. RCAs must provide and maintain at their own expense a vehicle suitable for the delivery of mail. Applicants must have a valid state drivers license and a safe driving record.

Interested persons may apply at one of the above offices during the open announcement. Applicants will be required to take a written examination at a later date.

No applications will be accepted before or after these dates.

August Weather on South Plains Was Nearly Normal

Weather across the Texas South Plains during the month of August 1997 was near normal in both temperature and precipitation.

Temperatures averaged exactly normal and ranged from 1.7 degrees below normal at Matador to 1.6 degrees above normal at Olton.

Silverton's temperatures averaged 75.7 degrees, which was almost two degrees below the South Plains average.

Maximum temperatures averaged 0.3 degree below normal and ranged from 2.6 degrees below normal at Matador to 1.3 degrees above normal at Abernathy. The highest tempera-

ture reported during the month was 103 degrees at both Jayton and Paducah on the 16th.

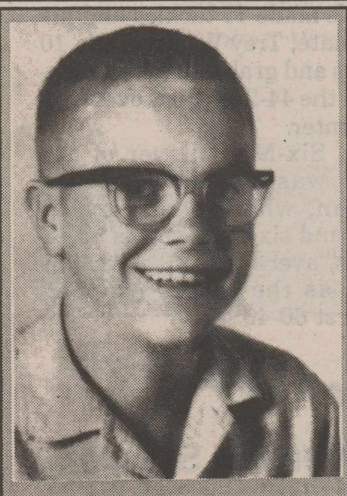
Silverton's maximum temperatures averaged 87.4 degrees, which was just over three degrees below the South Plains average.

Minimum temperatures averaged 0.2 degree above normal and ranged from two degrees below normal at Spur to 1.8 degrees above normal at Olton. The lowest temperature reported during the month was 53 degrees at Muleshoe Wildlife Refuge on the 22nd.

Silverton's minimum temperatures averaged 63.9 degrees, which was almost a degree below the South Plains average.

Precipitation averaged 0.1 inch above normal and ranged from 1.5 inches below normal at Crosbyton to 2.24 inches above normal at Dimmitt.

Silverton received 3.72 inches of precipitation during the month, which was 1.16 above the South Plains normal and 1.08 above the 40-year average for Silverton. So far this year, Silverton has received more than 23 inches of rainfall, but at Quitaque more than 35 inches has been measured.



Happy Birthday!



The Chinese were cutting and storing ice for food preservation as early as 1000 B.C.

Obituaries

OLLIE STRANGE

Services for Ollie Rowell Strange, 84, were conducted at 10:00 a.m. Saturday in Wallace Funeral Home Chapel in Tulia with former Church of Christ minister Bob Crass officiating. Burial was in the Silverton Cemetery, with arrangements made by Wallace Funeral Home.

Mrs. Strange died Thursday, September 4, at Tulia Care Center.

She was born February 13, 1913, in Gail. She married Ernest Charles Strange February 15, 1936 in Quitaque. He died September 25, 1976. She was a homemaker and a member of the Silverton Church of Christ.

She was reared in Kerrville and San Saba. She attended the Francis School in Briscoe County. She and her husband moved to Silverton shortly after they married. Mrs. Strange lived near the home of her daughter, Ernestine Barnes, before moving to the Tulia Care Center.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. O. B. (Ernestine) Barnes and Joy Reeves, both of Tulia; two sons, Louie Strange of Kress and Bud Strange of Claude; four sisters, Dorothy Stapp of Lockney and Mattie Yarborough, Hazel Mays and Ola Mae Johnson, all of Stockton, California; two brothers, Henry Rowell of Lockney and Altus Rowell of Green Valley, California; 11 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were grandsons, Bart Bice, Mikeal Barnes, Max Bice, Bryan Strange, Dwain Strange, Darrell Strange and Max Stephens.

BERLE FISCH

Services for Berle H. Fisch, 77, were conducted at 2:00 p.m. Friday at the Silverton Church of Christ with J. D. Nance and Ted Kingery officiating.

Burial was in the Silverton Cemetery under the direction of Myers-Long Funeral Directors.

Mr. Fisch died Wednesday, September 3, 1997 in an Amarillo nursing facility.

He was born in Silverton and served in the Army during World War II. He married Aloha Haun in 1942 in Plainview and was a member of the Rock Creek Church of Christ.

He was a retired farmer.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Linda Hare and Barbara Banister, both of Amarillo; and a grandchild.

Pallbearers were Loyd Stephens, Walter Bean, Danny Francis, Joe Brannon, Joe Kitchens, Bruce Hare and Jimmy Myers.

The family suggested memorials be to the Silverton Volunteer Ambulance Service or the Silverton Cemetery Association.

ELMER MAY

Interment for Elmer May, 86, of Auburn, Alabama will be at a

Attention Farmers

It has come to my attention that Lubbock County has received several tractor theft reports in the past couple of months. It is my intention to see that this does not happen in Briscoe County, but I need your help.

If you could take a few minutes out of your busy schedule to write down all of the serial numbers to your tractors, it could mean the difference between losing your tractor forever or having it returned.

A thief looks for the easiest thing to steal and he does not want to spend a lot of time at one place. Let's make his so-called "job" a lot harder. Remove the keys from the ignition, park your tractor in a very dark place and if possible leave a plow hooked to it. Having to unhook a plow is pretty hard work, something a thief is afraid of and will usually avoid if at all possible.

I am aware that this is a very busy time for you, planting wheat and harvesting corn, etc. If you do not have time to take down the serial numbers, call the Sheriff's Dept. and we will come out and take the serial numbers and photograph your tractors and keep all information in a file at the office.

In your service,
Max Whitworth, Sheriff
Briscoe County

Annual Trail Ride To Be Held Soon

September 26-27, Make-a-Wish Foundation of the Texas Plains will be having its first annual Treasure Trail Ride at Caprock Canyons State Park north of Quitaque.

On Friday, the 26th, Make-a-Wish Foundation will be serving a chuckwagon barbecue, campfire, fiddling, western singing and poetry for \$10.00 per person for anyone who cares to attend.

The Trail Ride will be on Saturday for \$75.00 per person which will include breakfast at 8:00 a.m., trail ride, clues for treasures, poker hands, awards and supper. Your \$75.00 donation

later date in Riverside Cemetery at Byers, Texas.

Mr. May died Tuesday, September 2, 1997 at his home.

He was born July 27, 1911 in Vernon, Texas.

He was preceded in death by a great-grandson, Cody Fleming.

Survivors include his wife of 61 years, Della May, of Auburn, Alabama; one daughter, Mrs. Jimmy (Vicki) Smith of Ryan, Oklahoma; two sons, James E. May, jr. of Auburn, Alabama and Mike May of San Angelo, Texas; two sisters, Frances Womack of Houston, Texas and Erma Burchard of Folsom, New Mexico; 10 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be sent to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, P. O. Box 50, Memphis, Tennessee 38101.

includes all park fees except the \$2.00 you must pay to enter the park.

Anyone interested in participating in this event is asked to call the Make-a-Wish office to make your reservation at 800-242-7167 by September 15. Mastercard/Visa, check and cash will be accepted.

Purpose of the Foundation is granting wishes to children under 18 with life-threatening illnesses which indicate the child may not survive the 18th birthday. The Amarillo chapter, located at 2324 Lakeview, Amarillo, has granted 441 wishes since 1984. At present it is working on 36 wishes to be granted in the near future. The top 55 counties of the Panhandle are included.

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Owls Open Season With Victory at Cotton Center

All of Silverton's Owls took part in the 44-24 victory over the Elks Friday night at Cotton Center.

Jared Holt kicked off to open the action, and the ballcarrier was stopped on the Cotton Center 15 by Leland Wood and Trey Wyatt. The Elks came out passing, with a big rush put on the quarterback just about every play. After an incomplete pass, Will Hester and Jared Francis put the pressure on and allowed no gain. Trey Wyatt held the next run, and on fourth down, needing a yard, the Elks were stopped by Leland Wood, Wyatt and Francis.

The ball went over to the Owls on the Cotton Center 30, and on their first play Jack Cherry passed to Jay Arnold for the first touchdown of the game with 7:54 still showing on the first-quarter clock. There was no PAT, and the Owls held a 6-0 lead.

Jared Holt kicked off once again and Jeremy Holt recovered the ball, but the referees flagged the play saying the ball went out of bounds. Jeremy Holt tackled the returner on the re-kick, bringing him down on the Cotton Center 22.

Big defense followed by Jay Hicks and Wood, and the Elks were held to a seven-yard gain before punting away to the Silverton 15.

With 5:53 still to be played in the opening stanza, Andy Bullock ran for a first down, followed by another pass completion from Cherry to Arnold. Needing six yards for another first down, Bullock ran to the Cotton Center 30. Trey Ziegler moved the ball to the



Jared Holt caught several passes during the Owl victory over Cotton Center Friday night and also scored twice, putting 12 points on the board before a large crowd of Silverton fans who traveled with the team to watch the game.

Briscoe County News Photo

25, and Cherry hit Arnold again for another first down on the seven. Jeremy Holt scored with 2:55 remaining in the quarter, and drop-kicked the PAT to bring the score to 14-0.

When Jared Holt kicked off again, the return was stopped at the Cotton Center 12. On first down, Wyatt intercepted an Elk pass which was thrown after Jeremy Holt had the passer in the grasp.

After an incomplete pass, Trey Ziegler ran for six yards. Cherry passed short to Ziegler, and the fourth-down play failed to pick up enough yardage and the Owls

saw possession go over to the Elks on the 10.

The Elks picked up a first down on a face-mask penalty and a pass interference penalty against the Owls, moving the ball to the Cotton Center 27. Jared Francis, Wood and Hester stopped the first down play as the first quarter came to a close.

The Elks ran to the 35 and received a penalty back to near the original line of scrimmage. David Gamble knocked down an Elk pass before they punted to the Silverton 30.

Cherry completed a pass to Arnold for almost ten yards, after which a pass was completed to Jeremy Holt for a first down.

Ziegler ran 14 yards for a touchdown with 7:15 remaining in the second quarter. The Owls were penalized for holding, nullifying the touchdown, and on the next play Jared Holt caught a pass to move the ball to the 14. Jared caught a pass from Cherry on the next play to score with 6:16 remaining before halftime. Jeremy kicked the PAT, and the Owls held a 22-0 lead.

Jared kicked off again, and the Owl defense held the Elks to about a four-yard gain. Wood and Hester were making things hot for the Elk passer, and on fourth down a punt carried to near midfield.

Jeremy Holt ran for a first down on the next play, and Bullock added seven yards. Cherry passed to Bullock for a touchdown which covered six yards, and with 1:57 remaining before halftime, Jeremy Holt's PAT kick brought the score to 30-0.

Jared kicked off once again to open play in the second half, and Cotton Center received another first down on a face-mask violation against the Owls.

Cotton Center fumbled and recovered for a four-yard loss, due to defense by Chris Justice and Gamble. On fourth down, the Elks punted to the Silverton 21. With 6:18 still to be played in the third quarter, the Owls were back on offense with some of the reserves seeing action. Max Whitworth caught an aerial and moved the ball downfield, but due to a motion penalty the Owls saw the ball go over to the Elks on about the 12.

The Elks gained four yards on their first play, and on second down Arnold tipped their pass causing an incompleteness. There was a completion for no gain on third down, and the Elks punted to near midfield.

After an incomplete pass, Clint Ivory ran 35 yards for another touchdown for the Owls. Jeremy drop-kicked another PAT, and with 1:01 remaining in the third quarter, the Owls held a 38-0 lead.

Jared kicked off once again and the runback was held at the Cotton Center 25. The Elks threw an incomplete pass, defended by Donny Burson, Bullock, Ziegler, Paul Segura, Hicks and Arnold. They passed complete on the next play for a touchdown. After successfully kicking their PAT, the Elks narrowed the score to 38-8 with 36 seconds remaining on the second-quarter clock.

With plays run by Tyler Young, Ivory, Segura, Nathan Francis, Wood and Max Whitworth, the Owls gave up a quarterback sack and on the next play the Elks intercepted a pass near midfield.

Arnold performed a quarterback sack on the Elks for a loss of 14 yards, after which a good rush by Ziegler and Jared Francis brought about incomplete passes by the Elks. On fourth down, they punted away.

The Owls were unable to move the ball, and punted, holding the runback at the Cotton Center 28.

The Elks were held to no gain by Jared Francis and Young, after which they passed complete for another touchdown to bring the score to 38-16.

With 4:42 remaining in the game, the Elks kicked off and Wyatt took the onside kick. A pass was completed to Jared Holt for a first down, after which Cherry passed complete to Jared to another touchdown. There was no PAT, and with 3:38 still showing on the clock, the score became 44-16.

Jared's kickoff went into the endzone to give the Elks a touch-back. One of their incomplete passes was almost caught by Jared Francis, and their fourth-down punt was covered by Wyatt.

Segura was overthrown on the Owls first-down pass, and several yards was gained on a running play. Jared Francis, Ziegler, Young, Wyatt, Hicks and Hester were providing the punch for the Owls.

The Elks threw two incomplete passes with pressure by Hester, and ran for a first down. They passed for another touchdown with 15 seconds remaining

to be played to make the score 44-24.

The Owls took the onside kick, and Cherry killed the clock for the Owls.

This week is homecoming for the Owls, and they will be hosting the Miami Warriors, who lost a two-point decision to Follett last Friday.

Junior High Owls To Open Season Here With Elks

Silverton's Junior High Owls will open their season by hosting the Cotton Center Elks today (Thursday) on Payne Field. Kick-off is at 5:00 p.m.

Fourteen seventh and eighth grade boys are out for the team this year. They include eighth graders Andrew Francis, Clay McMurtrey, Danny Dunn, Jr. Gonzales, Kevin Duncan, Jimmy Castillo, Nicholas Vargas and Matt Strange. Seventh graders are Monty Wood, Adrian Cruz, Dustin Hale, John Arnold, Red Ivory and Chase Comer.

Cheerleaders are Chelsey Cherry, Tarran Forbes, Jenny Young and Bryn Mayfield.

Player of Week Mentions Went To Two Owls

Two Owls received Player of the Week honorable mentions in the Amarillo Daily News this week.

It was noted that Jared Francis made 11 tackles and his teammate, Trey Wyatt, made 10 tackles and grabbed an interception in the 44-24 victory over Cotton Center.

The Six-Man Player of the Week was Chris Flores of McLean, who rushed for 316 yards and six touchdowns on 16 carries, averaging 21 yards per carry, as the Tigers whipped Amherst 60-40.

Good Luck Owls!

Silverton School Activities Calendar

Thursday, September 11--School Pictures; Cotton Center JH, here, 5:00; School Board meeting, 8:00

Friday, September 12--Miami, here, 7:30; Homecoming

Saturday, September 13--Miami JV, there, 10:00 a.m.

Sunday, September 14--Junior Class Sunday Dinner

Tuesday, September 16--District FFA Meeting, Motley County

Wednesday, September 17--All-School assembly, 9:44; Magic Show

Thursday, September 18--McLean JH & JV, there, 5:00 & 6:30; Samnorwood vs. Lazbuddie, here, 7:30

Friday, September 19--McLean, here, 7:30; Methodist After-Game Party; End of six weeks



Jeremy Holt was pictured "hauling the ball" for the Owls at Cotton Center Friday night. Holt scored a touchdown and drop-kicked four PATs for the Owls to account for 14 points in the game which the Owls won.

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WISHING THE BEST TO THE SILVERTON OWLS!



The Silvertown Owls--(back row, left to right) Coach Larry Mantle, Jay Hicks, Jared Holt, Jack Cherry, Jay Arnold, Nathan Francis, Will Hester, Max Whitworth, Coach Donnie Dutton; (third row) Jeremy Holt, Chris Justice, Charlie Bomar, Jared Francis, Trey Ziegler, Trey Wyatt, Andy Bullock, Kiefer Dutton; (kneeling) Leland Wood, Gary Whitworth, Clint Ivory, David Gamble, Donny Burson, Adrian Ramirez, Vince Cruz; (sitting) Ryan Minyard, Paul Segura, Tyler Young, Bert Garza. Nicholas Vargas and Jimmy Castillo, managers.
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Junior High
vs
Cotton Center
5:00 p.m.-Sept. 11-Here

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Football Queen Candidates Are Named Here

Candidates for 1997 Football Queen have been nominated by the Owl football team.

They are Taylor Griffin, freshman, daughter of Mikel and Liz Griffin; Dara Johnston, sophomore, daughter of David and Diana Johnston; Dara Ramsey, junior, daughter of Dwight and Anita Ramsey; Michelle Warren, senior, daughter of David and Connie Warren.

The Queen and her court will be presented at halftime of the Homecoming game to be played with Miami here Friday night. Kickoff time is 7:30 p.m.

Homecoming Bonfire Tonight

The homecoming bonfire will be lighted at the old school grounds (near the rodeo arena) at about 8:30 p.m. (dark) today.

The spirit of the Miami Warrior will be burned and a pep rally will be held.

Announcement will be made of the winners of the Mr. and Miss Flame honor.

Hot dogs will be served following the pep rally.

Everyone is invited to attend.

Lunchroom Menu

Monday, September 15--Ham Slice, Broccoli & Cheese, Sweet Potatoes, Hot Roll, Brownie, Milk
 Tuesday, September 16--Lasagna, Salad, Corn, Bread, Cherry Dessert, Milk

Wednesday, September 17--Chili Cheese Nachos, Ranch Beans, Salad, Cornbread, Fruit, Milk

Thursday, September 18--Chicken Strips, Gravy, Green Beans, Mashed Potatoes, Hot Roll, Honey, Butter, Milk

Friday, September 19--Chili Dog, French Fries, Fruit, Jello, Milk

Pep Squad Nominates Beau Candidates

Pep Squad members have nominated their candidates for Beau.

They are Trey Ziegler, son of Brad and JonEtta Ziegler; Jack Cherry, son of Doug and Lisa Cherry; Jeremy Holt, son of David and Debbie Holt; Will Hester, son of Rick and Bena Hester.

One will be presented as the Pep Squad Beau at the Pep Rally which is scheduled to begin at 2:30 p.m. Friday in the new P. E. gym.

Everyone is invited to attend the Pep Rally.

4-H Nutrition Projects To Begin Soon

Calley Payne
 County Extension Agent

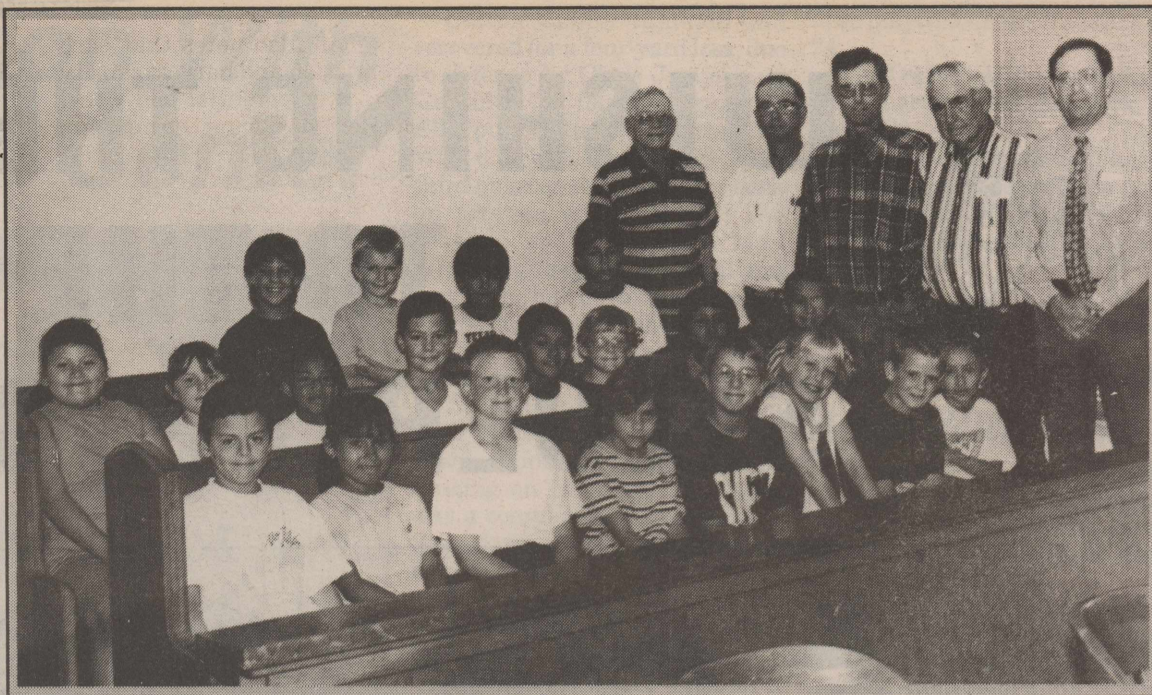
The 1997 4-H Food & Nutrition Projects will begin this month. Participants will be learning about healthy snacking, foreign customs, meal preparation, food safety, and will try out easy fun recipes.

Project groups will meet after school in the Valley and Silverton home economics departments. Those involved in this project also will have the opportunity to go on some tours and enter the County Food Show on November 23.

Anyone planning to enter the show should begin thinking about their entry. If you need assistance or have questions about the food and nutrition or any other 4-H projects, please call me at the Briscoe County Extension Office, 823-2131.

Food & Nutrition Project Meetings

Silverton	Valley
Sept. 16	Sept. 17
Oct. 7, 21	Oct. 1, 22
Nov. 4	Nov. 5



Silverton Third Graders and their teacher, Tina Nance, attended the Briscoe County Commissioners Court meeting Monday morning. They are (back row, standing left to right) Kollen Ferguson, Zakkary Perkins, German Vasquez, Jonathan Garcia, Commissioners L. B. Garvin, Terry Grimland, Gary Weeks, Jack Chandler and Judge Jimmy Burson; (middle row) Kelli Patino, Haylee Simpson, Carina Vasquez, Clay Strange, Diego Ramirez, Tye Assiter, Jose Hernandez, Dusty Burson; (first row) Vincent Martinez, Silvia Baeza, Kiefer Dutton, Courtney Perkins, Ory Johnson, Ami Dunn, Drew Reed, Claudia Vargas.

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Concession Stand Workers For High School Football Games

Friday, September 12--Miami--7:30--Claude McMurtrey, Bob & Debbie Myers, Missy & Cam Forbes, Mitchell & Connie Simpson, Harlen & Linda Vernon, Pat Arnold

Thursday, September 18--Samnorwood vs. Lazbuddie--7:30--Zane & Kim Mayfield, Laurie Vangraefshepe, Ronnie & Karla Hale, Becky Dunn, Gary & Cathey Weeks

Friday, September 19--McLean--7:30--Cam & Missy Forbes, Maria Ramirez, Dwight & Anita Ramsey, Larry & Cindy Comer

Friday, September 26--Borden Co. vs. Samnorwood--7:30--Emilio & Nora Cruz, Rick & Beverly Minyard, Sheila Brooks, Lupe & Rosa Vargas, David & Connie Warren

Saturday, September 27--Three Way vs. Groom--2:00 --Clarence & Dianna Ivory, Gail Wyatt, Joe & Mary Castillo, Santos & Mary Garcia, Barry & Michelle Francis

Friday, October 3--Samnorwood--7:30--Debbie Garris, Rance & Nancy Young, Connie Grimland, Bill & Shana Strange, David & Diana Johnston, Gonzales Family

Friday, October 10--Cotton Center--7:30--Tim & Sherri Matheus, Cynthia Younger, Tom Justice, Lane & Paula Garvin, Brenda Parker, David & Sheila Reagan

Friday, October 24--Whitharral--7:30--Larry & Cindy Comer, Zane & Kim Mayfield, Harlen & Linda Vernon, Max & Val Whitworth, Mikel & Liz Griffin

Junior High & Junior Varsity Games

Thursday, September 11--Cotton Center Junior High--5:00--Alex & Lydia Segura, John & Gail Wyatt, Mikel & Liz Griffin

Thursday, September 18--Samnorwood vs. Lazbuddie Junior High--5:00--Amy Stark, Frances Gamble, Dewey & Jimmie Sue Estes, Brad & JonEtta Ziegler

Thursday, September 25--Whitharral Junior High--5:00--Rance & Nancy Young, Tom & Deb Burson, Rick & Beverly Minyard

Thursday, September 25--Whitharral Junior Varsity--6:30--Rick & Bena Hester, Max Weaver, Doug & Lisa Cherry, Bill & Shana Strange

Thursday, October 16--Lazbuddie Junior High--6:30--Tom & Deb Burson, Juannah Jennings, Anthony & Kathy Kingery, Bena Hester

Thursday, October 16--Lazbuddie Junior Varsity--6:30--Ken & Nancy Wood, Doug & Lisa Cherry, L. B. & Mary Ivory

Thursday, October 30--Amherst Junior High--5:00--Eddie & Charlotte Rhoderick, Faye Lynn Maciel, Jess & Donna Little, Johnny & Karen Tiffin

Thursday, October 30--Amherst Junior Varsity--6:30--Bill & Jannine Brooks, Calley Payne, David & Debbie Holt, Obelia Bullock

The Baobab Tree of Africa is one of the most useful trees. People hollow out its huge trunk to live in or store water in. They eat the tree's leaves, fruit, seeds and roots and use other parts in other ways.

Calculating Stocking Rates

Pammy Millican
 County Extension Agent

You've probably seen the scales that determine how much an adult should eat. The average person needs about two-thousand calories a day. A small person needs less. A large person needs more.

It works the same way with cattle. A cow will eat three percent of her body weight daily. Extension forage specialist Dr. Don Dorsett teaches ranchers how to use that figure to calculate how much feed their herd will need.

He says the stocking rate depends on the forage. If yields are high, cattle can graze longer. If the weather is dry and the grass isn't growing, those cattle will have to be moved off the land sooner.

Dorsett says that the same formula works in planning for wintertime feeding. If you know the weight of the hay bales, you can determine how many you need for those four months. Dorsett says ranchers will know earlier in the year whether to buy more hay or sell some of their hay.

Good Luck Owls!

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Cotton News



from Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.

"High Plains cotton producers should not worry over availability of Furadan 4F for aphid control," said Mark Trostle, director of Pesticide Registration, Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) in a telephone interview Thursday, September 4.

"We are confident the product will be available for use on cotton until the end of September, under recently issued FIFRA Section 24c Special Local Needs labeling," commented Trostle from Austin.

"Don't worry about a deadline," Trostle said. "If you need it, use it . . . but, use it properly. Don't misuse it. Misuse causes resistance," he warned.

Trostle stressed the responsibility cotton producers bear in the use of Furadan. It is a label requirement to post fields treated for a 14-day period. "This is an entry issue, not a worker protection issue. Fields must be posted regardless of whether Worker Protection Standards apply to your operation," he said.

TDA issued Texas registration for Furadan 4F August 15th. A letter later received from EPA's administrator Dr. Lynn Goldman stated her intention to disallow the labeling unless certain questions were adequately addressed. A package answering those questions will be sent from TDA by the September 12th response deadline. Goldman is expected to make a final decision after studying TDA's response.

Trostle pointed out TDA feels

it is inside the law on this issue. He claims his agency bases its arguments firmly on law and associated regulations firmly in place. EPA's position, however, is liberally based on interpretation of the recently-passed Food Quality Protection Act for which regulations have not yet even been drafted.

Trostle concluded, "We (TDA) are willing to go to the mat for the producer on this one. We will fight this through the courts if needed. In the meantime producers can judiciously use Furadan when and where needed according to the special label directions."

Producers across the High Plains are beginning to prepare for the termination and harvest of the 1997 crop.

In anticipation, the Texas Agricultural Extension Service (TAEX) is in the process of updating a set of guidelines to help producers make 1997 harvest aid decisions. The guidelines, published over the past several years, are designed to help producers get the best results for their harvest aid dollars.

"Research has shown that timely application of harvest aid products provides significant benefits to producers," notes Randy Boman, TAEX Cotton Specialist. "These benefits are measured in timely harvests and improved cotton quality as a result of less trash and reduced weathering."

Boman also notes that early termination and harvest can also help lower potential boll weevil infestations during the next crop year. The predicted start of another El Nino weather system in the Pacific also could possibly affect this year's harvest season.

Comments on proposed changes to the Federal Crop Insurance Program will be submitted to the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation (FCIC) during the week of September 8 by Lubbock-based Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. (PCG).

PCG's comments will be geared toward making FCIC aware of the fact that the time has passed for differentiating between cotton and other crops in regard to crop insurance options.

Specific points to be brought out include the lack of replant coverage for cotton, lower cotton prevented planting coverage levels and producer opposition to the "black dirt" policy that would prevent a grower from planting any type of follow-up crop, except for cover to be used for haying and grazing, after the final planting date.

In regard to the "black dirt" policy, PCG officials will note that producers should, at the very least, be allowed to plant a follow-up crop and forego insurance protection for the second crop.

PCG officials are quick to point out that while the proposed changes are not perfect, they do represent some significant improvement in the cotton provisions by FCIC.

Sorghum Ergot Identified on the High Plains

Pammy Millican
Briscoe County
Extension Agent-Ag

Sorghum Ergot has arrived on the High Plains of Texas. Three sites were found this past few weeks. On Friday, August 15, 1997, ergot was found on the Crosby County/Floyd County line, verified by IPM Extension Agent Ron Graves. Another site was found southwest of Lubbock on Saturday, August 16, verified by Dr. Harold Kaufman, Extension Plant Pathologist in Lubbock. Another site was located west of Plains on Saturday, August 16, verified by a reliable consultant.

Sorghum ergot is a disease caused by a fungus that infects the ovaries of sorghum flowers, converting each into a white, fungal mass that is visible between the glumes. The most obvious external symptom of infection is the exudation from infected flowers of drops of an amber-colored sticky fluid, or "honey-dew", which contains numerous fungal spores. These spores are spread rapidly by wind, although the fungus might also be spread by sorghum seed infested with ergot sclerotia (durable, compact fungal tissue) or coated with dried honeydew containing spores.

Ergot only successfully infects unfertilized ovaries. Once fertilized, an ovary becomes resistant to infection. Commercial grain sorghum hybrids likely will have a low incidence of ergot during normal growing seasons in Texas, because their high self-fertility results in rapid pollination, greatly reducing the risk of infection. Johnson grass also is a host of the sorghum er-

got fungus.

Seed production fields should be sprayed. Growers with seed production fields should contact their seed company if their fields have not been sprayed. A crisis exemption is currently in effect for the use of Tilt to control Sorghum Ergot. A two or four ounce application of Tilt should begin at 1% flowering with additional applications at seven-day intervals. No more than 12 fluid ounces of Tilt can be used per acre in one season.

New Bermuda Grass Tests Well

Pammy Millican
County Extension Agent

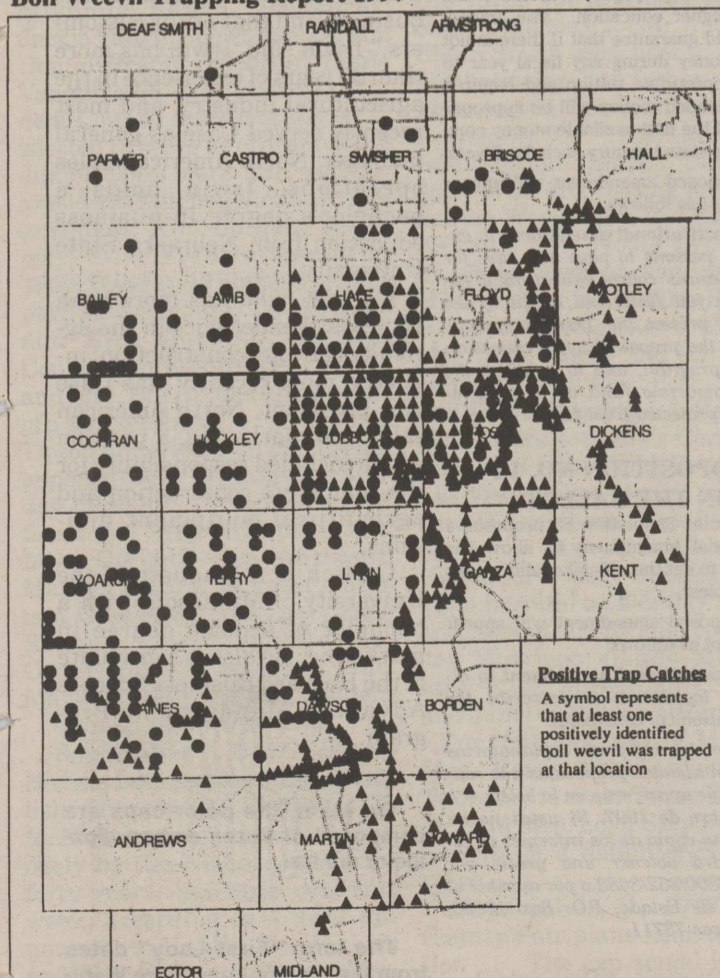
There's a new crop that is almost foolproof. It grows just about anywhere and performs better than the competition.

Extension forage specialist Dr. David Bade says it's been more than 50 years since a forage variety has been introduced that holds as much promise as Tifton-85 and Jiggs bermuda grass. Research confirms they grow well in sand, clay and black soils. They yield 25- to 46-percent more hay and the quality is better than common Coastal bermuda. That translates into more hay and more beef production per acre.

Bade says both performed superbly, even during last year's drought. He says these newer grasses are proving to root easier from tops than other varieties do extending the planting season. Tops are above ground, green mature stems. They can be planted through September as long as the soil is moist and they can establish roots.

Boll Weevil Trapping Report 1997

Week 37 (09/01/97 thru 09/05/97)



● AgriPartners Grid Trap
★ Crop Consultant or Producer Trap
▲ Plains Cotton Growers Trap

Data collected by AgriPartners Program of Texas Ag Extension Service, Independent Crop Consultants, individual cotton producers, and PCG Boll Weevil Control Program.

Map prepared by Plains Cotton Growers Boll Weevil Control Office

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DIMMITT AGRI-INDUSTRIES, INC.

'Brush Sculpting' Symposium Set

Pammy Millican
County Extension Agent

Brush sculpting, the art of tailoring rangelands to enhance wildlife habitat and recreational value, is the subject of a special symposium scheduled for Abilene's Civic Center September 17-18.

Registration is from 7:30 until 8:30 a.m. the first day. The program offers participants nine CEUs.

The same brush that complicates livestock ranching and di-

minishes the state's ground water supply also is a key wildlife component, said Dr. Dale Rollins, Extension wildlife specialist in San Angelo.

"The philosophy of sculpting brush for wildlife habitat signals a paradigm shift for the ranching community in Texas," said Rollins.

Wildlife management has become increasingly important to many Texas landowners. Brush control can be an excellent tool for managing wildlife. This symposium offers an array of brush management or "brush sculpting" techniques that improve wildlife habitat and land values

for livestock production, aesthetics and real estate, Rollins said.

Registration is \$50. One proceedings copy is included in the registration fee. Extra copies will be available at \$15 each.

For further information call your county Extension agent or Rollins; Darrell Ueckert, professor-range improvement, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station; or Allan McGinty, Extension range specialist, at 915-653-4576.

In 1860 tomatoes were still regarded so suspiciously that magazines recommended they be cooked for at least three hours.

Carlson Leads Case's New Customer - Driven Ag Unit

Case Corporation, as part of its continuing efforts to delight customers by maximizing their productivity through superior products, has consolidated its functional business components and established its North American agricultural equipment business unit led by Jon R. Carlson.

Carlson, appointed senior vice president and general manager, North American agricultural equipment business unit, will head the multi-billion-dollar organization which furthers the

company's ongoing emphasis on customer focus. In his new position, Carlson has overall responsibility for engineering, manufacturing, sales and marketing for all of Case IH products and services in North America. He also oversees worldwide product strategy and development of large tractors, harvesting equipment and agricultural systems.

"Our new structure will maximize global synergies and provide customer, product and business consistency that puts Case in a strong position to help customers improve their operating performance," said Carlson. "This structure will intensify our efforts to establish customers as the drivers of our business, while we fully integrate engineering, manufacturing and sales as part of a single discipline to help insure our customers are as productive and profitable as possible. Our intent is to provide growers with complete agricultural systems to increase their yields and efficiencies, thereby providing solutions from planting through harvesting."

Carlson pointed out that Case effectively integrates customers' opinions and input through its dealer network. Consistent with the goals of the new organization, Carlson announced the appointment of James Irwin, vice president, North American agricultural equipment sales. Irwin assumes the responsibility of managing distribution and marketing through the North American Case IH dealer organization.

"We recognize our dealer network and the strength of our dealers are fundamental to our business and that of our customers," Irwin said. Irwin has more than 30 years of experience in the agricultural industry, and most recently served Case as general manager, North American sales operations. Irwin holds a bachelor's degree in business education from Nebraska State University.

Carlson, who has more than 20 years of experience in the agricultural and construction industry, most recently was Case vice president, North American sales and marketing, a position which included responsibility for the company's construction and agricultural equipment divisions.

Carlson is a graduate of the University of Minnesota with a bachelor of science degree in marketing. He also is a graduate of the Harvard Business School's Advanced Management Program.

On Mars, the polar caps are composed of frozen carbon dioxide or dry ice.

The term "First Lady" dates from the time of Lucy Ware Webb Hayes, who was the 16th first lady from 1887-91.

PUBLIC NOTICE

BRIEF EXPLANATORY STATEMENTS
OF PROPOSED

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

SPECIAL ELECTION
NOVEMBER 4, 1997

PROPOSITION NO. 1 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 36 proposes a constitutional amendment to allow a person to hold the position of municipal judge in more than one municipality.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to allow a person who holds the office of municipal court judge to hold at the same time more than one civil office for which the person receives compensation."

PROPOSITION NO. 2 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 43 proposes a constitutional amendment to allow the legislature to limit the maximum annual increase in homestead appraisals for each year since the most recent tax appraisal. The amendment would also permit the legislature to allow the governing body of a school district to elect to apply the law providing for the transfer of the age-65-and-older school property tax freeze to the person's new homestead, if the move to the new residence homestead occurred before the law took effect.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to authorize the Legislature to limit increases in the appraised value of residence homesteads for ad valorem taxation and to permit a school district to calculate the school property tax freeze applicable to the residence homestead of an elderly person or the surviving spouse of an elderly person in accordance with the law authorizing the transfer of the school property tax freeze to a different homestead regardless of whether that law was in effect at the time the person established the person's homestead."

PROPOSITION NO. 3 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 45 proposes a constitutional amendment to allow the legislature to authorize counties, cities, towns, and other local taxing entities to grant exemptions or other forms of ad valorem tax relief on property on which approved water conservation initiatives have been implemented.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to permit a taxing unit to grant an exemption or other relief from ad valorem taxes on property on which a water conservation initiative has been implemented."

PROPOSITION NO. 4 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 104 proposes an

amendment to update the Texas Constitution by deleting duplicate numbering in its provisions and removing certain of its obsolete portions.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment eliminating duplicate numbering in and certain obsolete provisions of the Texas Constitution."

PROPOSITION NO. 5 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 19 proposes an amendment to allow the Supreme Court of Texas to hold sessions at any location in this state. Currently, the court is limited to holding sessions only at Austin, the seat of state government.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment authorizing the supreme court to sit to transact business at any location in this state."

PROPOSITION NO. 6 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 39 proposes a constitutional amendment to repeal the current provision which provides that the board of the Texas Growth Fund may not invest money in a business unless the business has disclosed to the board whether it has any direct financial investment in or with South Africa or Namibia.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment allowing the Texas growth fund to continue to invest in businesses without requiring those businesses to disclose investments in South Africa or Namibia."

PROPOSITION NO. 7 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 17 proposes a constitutional amendment to create the Texas Water Development Fund II as a fund separate and distinct from the Texas Water Development Fund. The amendment would authorize the Texas Water Development Board to administer the fund and issue general obligation bonds for purposes of the fund under guidelines set forth in the amendment.

The amendment would also allow the Board to use loan repayments coming into the fund after the end of the fiscal year to make bond debt service payments, and would provide certain conditions for the flow of funds for repayment of Texas agricultural water conservation bonds.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment relating to the authorization to the Texas Water Development Board to transfer existing bond authorizations for water

supply, water quality, flood control, or state participation from one category of use to another category to maximize the use of existing funds and relating to more efficient operation of the bond programs."

PROPOSITION NO. 8 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 31 proposes a constitutional amendment which would authorize home equity lending, in which a loan could be secured by a lien against the borrower's homestead. The amendment would also establish several provisions providing for consumer protection in the home equity lending process.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The amendment to the Texas Constitution expanding the types of liens for home equity loans that a lender, with the homeowner's consent, may place against a homestead."

PROPOSITION NO. 9 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 96 proposes a constitutional amendment that would authorize the legislature to authorize a property tax of five cents for each \$100 valuation in rural fire prevention districts which are located in Harris County. The constitution currently authorizes a property tax of three cents for each \$100 valuation in rural fire prevention districts regardless of what county they are in.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to authorize an ad valorem tax rate in rural fire prevention districts located in Harris County of five cents on each \$100 of taxable value of property."

PROPOSITION NO. 10 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 33 proposes a constitutional amendment to permanently dedicate monies from the Texas Crime Victims' Compensation Fund (and its auxiliary fund) so that they are used only for assisting victims of crime and not for any other purpose. If an episode of mass violence occurred, however, money from the funds could be used to assist victims of the mass violence if all other sources of authorized emergency assistance were depleted first.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment designating the purposes for which money in the compensation to victims of crime fund and the compensation to victims of crime auxiliary fund may be used."

PROPOSITION NO. 11 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 59 proposes a constitutional amendment to prohibit the Legislature from authorizing additional state debt payable from the general revenue fund if the resulting annual debt service (the amount needed each year to make payments) would exceed five percent of the annual general revenue avail-

able over the last three fiscal years, excluding revenues constitutionally dedicated for purposes other than payment of state debt.

The term "additional state debt" does not include bonds that, although backed by the full faith and credit of the state, are reasonably expected to be paid from revenue sources other than the general revenue fund.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment limiting the amount of state debt payable from the general revenue fund."

PROPOSITION NO. 12 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 55 proposes a constitutional amendment to provide that if the Texas Supreme Court does not act on a motion for a rehearing within 180 days of the motion's filing, the motion is denied.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to establish a deadline for supreme court action on a motion for rehearing."

PROPOSITION NO. 13 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 8 proposes a constitutional amendment to establish the Texas Tomorrow trust fund dedicated exclusively to the prepayment of tuition and fees for higher education. The amendment would guarantee that if there is not enough money during any fiscal year to pay the appropriate tuition and required fees, the needed money will be appropriated out of the first available money coming into the state treasury each fiscal year.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to encourage persons to plan and save for young Texans' college education, to extend the full faith and credit of the state to protect the Texas tomorrow fund of the prepaid higher education tuition program, and to establish the Texas tomorrow fund as a constitutionally protected trust fund."

PROPOSITION NO. 14 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 83 proposes a constitutional amendment to allow the legislature to set the official qualifications for constables.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to allow the legislature to prescribe the qualifications of constables."

Estos son los informes explicatorios sobre las enmiendas propuestas a la constitución que aparecerán en la boleta el 4 de noviembre de 1997. Si usted no ha recibido una copia de los informes en español, podrá obtener una gratis por llama al 1/800/252/3683 o por escribir al Secretario de Estado, P.O. Box 12060, Austin, Texas 78711.

Published by Secretary of State
Tony Garza

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SUNDAY:
 Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
 Morning Worship.....11:00 a.m.
 Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.
 WEDNESDAY:
 Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

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Ted Kingery, Minister

SUNDAY:
 Sunday School.....9:00 a.m.
 Morning Worship.....10:00 a.m.
 Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.
 WEDNESDAY:
 Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

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Jess Craig Little, Pastor

SUNDAY:
 Library Opens.....9:15 a.m.
 Bible Study/S.S.....10:00 a.m.
 Morning Worship.....10:30 a.m.
 Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.
 SECOND & FOURTH
 TUESDAYS:
 Baptist Women.....9:30 a.m.
 WEDNESDAY:
 Library Opens.....6:30 p.m.
 Bible Study/Prayer.....7:00 p.m.

**SILVERTON UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH**

Jay Stinson, Pastor

SUNDAY:
 Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
 Worship Service.....11:00 a.m.
 Evening Service.....6:00 p.m.
 SECOND SUNDAY:
 Praise & Worship.....6:00 p.m.
 TUESDAY:
 Unit. Meth. Women.....9:30 a.m.
 WEDNESDAY:
 Choir Practice.....5:00 p.m.
 In-home Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

**NEW FELLOWSHIP
BAPTIST MISSION**

SUNDAY:
 Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
 Worship Service.....11:00 a.m.
 Training Union.....5:00 p.m.
 Evening Service.....6:00 p.m.
 WEDNESDAY:
 Choir Rehearsal.....7:00 p.m.
 Prayer Service.....8:00 p.m.

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SUNDAY:
 Mass.....9:00 a.m.
 WEDNESDAY:
 Doctrina Class.....4:30-5:30 p.m.
 Junior & Senior
 High.....4:30-5:30 p.m.

**ROCK CREEK
CHURCH OF CHRIST**

SUNDAY:
 Worship Service.....10:30 a.m.
 Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.
 WEDNESDAY:
 Worship Service.....7:30 p.m.

HOW TO MAKE THIS A BETTER WORLD

If we posed the question, "how can this world be made a better place?", I am sure we would get many wonderful answers. If we could have world peace, or find a cure for cancer, or end world hunger, surely this would be a better world. Although all of these would be significant improvements, every time we do a good deed for someone, no matter how small, we are helping to make this a better world. It may not be a major thing to just be nice to our neighbors, or to offer directions to a lost stranger, or to just be considerate to someone, but these simple acts of kindness help to make this a better world.

In the Bible, Jesus told the parable of the good Samaritan who came upon the man who was beaten, robbed, and left laying along the wayside. The Samaritan ministered to the man's wounds and then took him to an inn where he was attended to. We may never encounter a situation like that of the good Samaritan, but any act of genuine charity is worthy of God's approval. Our Heavenly Father wants us to do good to others, as we would want them to do to us. He knows, that by us doing good, we make this a better world.



*That is good which doth good.
- Ralph Venning*

*But God will give glory, honor, and
peace to all who do what is good...
Good News Bible Romans 2:10*

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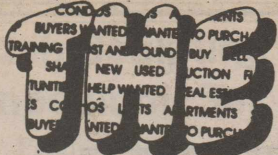
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FOR SALE

FEEDS & MINERALS: Call 847-2291. 26-tfc

TRASH BARRELS For Sale: Silverton Fire Department. Ask at City Hall. 26-tfc

OAT HAY for sale: Round Bales. John Bowman, 823-2515. 34-tfc

TOMATOES FOR SALE: One mile east of Claytonville on FM 145. \$6.00 for a 5-gallon bucket. After 5:00 call 684-2871. 37-2tp

KENMORE Dryer For Sale Cheap. Lallie Patton, 823-2152. 37-1tc

REAL ESTATE

FOR SALE: Three Bedroom Home with 2 1/2 Baths, Office, Basement. Contact Juanita Stephens, 823-2090. 37-4tc

HOUSE FOR SALE: Two bedrooms, extra large utility room with basement. 823-2405. 37-tfc

REAL ESTATE: For Sale or Rent: 14x60 Mobile Home on three lots. Two bedrooms, one bath, covered patio, carport. \$9,000 selling price or \$180 monthly rent. Call Michael or Wendy, 806-828-4829. 35-tfc

HOME FOR SALE: 504 Stalbird. Three bedrooms with private baths. Steel siding. Heating. Cooling. Ceiling fans. Storm cellar. Garage. 1/4 block. Jackie Mercer. 49-tfc

REAL ESTATE

LAND FOR SALE: 608 acres adjacent to town section on the NORTH. Has underground pipe and four small wells. (This is old H. Roy Brown place) Price is \$260.00 per acre. Details may be obtained from Mary or Carol Davis in Silverton, 806-823-2373, or Norlan Dudley, Tulia, 806-995-3688. 33-tfc

SERVICES

CROP HAIL RATES are available on request by calling (800) 468-4795. July rates for cotton are now in effect. Pecans are now insurable for hail. 28-tfc

ALCOHOLICS Anonymous and Al-Anon Meetings, Tuesdays, 8:00 p.m., 111 N. Wall St. (1 block north of courthouse), Floydada. 1-806-983-3635. 16-tnc

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WANTED

HELP WANTED: Mature man or woman with small town values and friendliness for a public relations and counseling position in the Silverton area. No experience necessary for this immediate position: we offer full training with above average income. To schedule your personal interview, please call Mike at (800) 628-5896. 37-1tp

NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that the Briscoe County Commissioners Court will sell by sealed bid a tract of land in Briscoe County being out of the N1/2 of the SE1/4 of Section 54, Blk 3, Cert #2/889. T&P Ry. Co., Original Grantee, Abst. #963 containing 5.45 acres, more or less and formerly known as the Midway Drive-in Theater on October 13, 1997 at their regular meeting in the County Courtroom, Briscoe County Courthouse, Silverton, Texas. Address bids to Commissioners Court, c/o Briscoe County Judge, Box 153, Silverton, TX 79257. Bids will be accepted until 10:00 a.m. October 13, 1997. Successful bidder will have until 5:00 p.m. October 13 to furnish entire balance of bid. A complete legal description is available through the office of the County Judge, Briscoe County.

The Commissioners Court of Briscoe County reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Jimmy Burson
County Judge 36-3tc

**LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF APPLICATION**

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PRIVATE CLUB REGISTRATION AND BEVERAGE CARTAGE PERMIT: Judy's Club: Judy Kelso, president; James Edwards, secretary-treasurer; located at 515 Commerce Street, Silverton, Texas, Private Club. 37-2tp

PUBLIC NOTICE

Application has been made with the T. A. B. C. for a private club by Emerano Garcia dba Rock Creek Club to be located at Hwy. 86 S/W corner Int. Hwy. 378, Silverton, Briscoe, Texas. Officers are James Ortiz, president; Emerano Garcia, vice-president; Melissa Ortiz, secretary. 37-2tp

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NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Commissioners Court of Briscoe County will hold a public hearing on the proposed budget for fiscal year 1997-98 at 9:00 a.m., September 15, 1997 in the County Courtroom, Briscoe County Courthouse, Silverton, Texas. 37-1tc

LOST & FOUND

LOST: Little girl's four-month-old light gray and white kitten. Could possibly have on red or blue collar. If seen or found, please call Jess Little at 823-2007 or return to 201 Pulitzer. 37-1tnc

CARD OF THANKS

We would like to take time to say thank-you from the bottom of our hearts to those kind people who remembered us during Nicholas' surgery, for your prayers and any way that you helped us.

Thank you and may God bless you.
Lupe, Rosa, Nicholas and Gabriel Vargas

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CARD OF THANKS

We would like to express our thanks to those who were so helpful during our time of sorrow.

To Barry Long and staff for all their help and assistance in a very confusing time.

To J. D. Nance and Ted Kingery for their warm memories of Berle. Your thoughts and prayers were very comforting to us.

To the ladies who provided the wonderful lunch. Those of us who do not have gardens forget what good home-grown food tastes like.

To our relatives and friends for all the acts of kindness through cards, letters, visits, memorials and prayers during this time and since Berle moved to Amarillo.

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