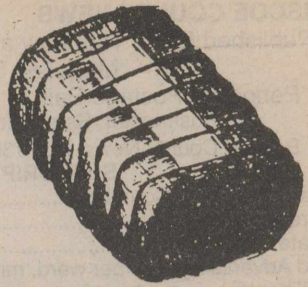


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The Silverton Booster Club stadium seats are in. they sell for \$25.00 each. Come by City Bank to purchase yours now or call Michelle Francis or Beverly Minyard, and they will see that you get one.

On Saturdays, January 6 and 13, the Methodist Church will host a Hospice Training event. Hospice of Plainview will teach how to comfortably and effectively visit and minister to the terminally ill.

Those interested need to attend both days as this is an eight-hour course. The training runs from 3:00 until 7:00 p.m. with a break at 6:00 for dinner.

Those who attend are asked to bring a pot-luck dish to share with the group.

Please call Jay Stinson, 823-2140, to reserve your spot or to ask any questions.

Briscoe County Activities Association will be sponsoring skating at the Showbarn in Silverton Saturday afternoon from 2:00 until 5:00 p.m.

This will be a feature of the first Saturday afternoon in each month.

You need to bring your own skates or inline skates.

The Silverton Postmaster requests that if anyone has an old photograph of a former Silverton Postmaster or Post Office building, to send them to him. He said that he would have copies made of photographs sent and then return the originals to their owners. If you happen to come across any old photographs, send them to the Silverton Post Office in care of the Postmaster. Please be sure to include a return address and any other information that might be of interest.

Members of the Silverton Powerlifting Team will go to a meet in Plainview Saturday, January 6, and the following Saturday, January 13, will have a meet at Wellington.

JV Lady Owls to Play at Lazbuddie

The junior varsity Lady Owls will be playing in a tournament at Lazbuddie this week.

They have received a bye for the first round, and will be playing the winner of the Farwell-Cotton Center game at 11:00 a.m. Friday in the old gym.

The winner of this game advances to play in the game at 6:30 p.m. Saturday in the old gym.

The other teams in the tournament are Lazbuddie, Spade, Amherst and Happy.

Lady Owls Play To Exciting Finish In Annual Hoot - Out Tournament

The Lady Owls got off to a very slow start in the championship finals of the annual Hoot-Out Tournament last week, and even though they outscored Claude in the second and third quarters, dropped the game 48-44 to the Lady Mustangs.

This gave the Owl Ladies the second-place trophy.

The first time the two teams played this year the Claude girls took the match 46-33, and later in the rematch game they took a 46-39 decision. So the Lady Owls are closing the gap.

Chelsey Cherry led the Lady Owl offense by scoring 14 points, and Taylor Griffin was right behind her with 13. Also scoring were Bryn Mayfield, nine; Julie Weaver, four; Jenny Young, two; Brooke Garvin and Tarran Forbes, one point each.

Lady Owls	11	16	35	44
Claude	20	22	38	48

The Owls rolled past Claude big time in the Consolation Finals, taking a 67-31 decision.

Red Ivory led his team to victory by scoring 19 points. Also scoring in double figures was Issac Garcia, with 14. Adding to the score were Andrew Francis, Adrian Ramirez and Matt Strange, eight points each; Isaiah Ivory, six; Dustin Hale, four points.

Shots from downtown were hit by Red and Issac, two each, and Isaiah, one. Taylor hit one for the Lady Owls in their game with Claude.

Owls	20	39	49	67
Claude	7	15	23	31

Both teams took big wins against their opponents in the tournament's second round on Friday, with the Lady Owls beating Cotton Center 65-17 and the Owls earning a big 61-48 decision over Hart.

Taylor Griffin led the offense for the Lady Owls with 17 points, including one three-pointer, while Amanda Estes also caged in double figures, with 10. Adding points to the score were Chelsey Cherry, eight; Jenny Young, six; Kurby Garvin, Julie Weaver and Kassie Strange, five points each; Tarran Forbes, four; Kelcy Simpson, two; Brooke Garvin, Lori Griffin and Bryn Mayfield, one point each.

Lady Owls	16	27	49	65
Cotton Center	4	6	11	17

The Owls weren't able to put Hart away until the second quarter, but at that time put some distance between themselves and their opponent and were never headed.

Red Ivory led the offense with 21 big points, while Isaiah Ivory and Andrew Francis caged 11 points each, and Matt Strange chipped in 10. Also scoring were Issac Garcia, six, and Chase Comer, two points.

Owls	12	28	50	61
Hart	11	18	29	48

Issac hit two from downtown, and Isaiah and Andrew each hit one three-pointer.

In the opening round of the tournament, which was marred by snow which prevented some of the teams from making it here for their games, the Lady Owls played to a 47-44 victory over Bovina, while the Owls dropped a very close 62-60 match to the Bovina Mustangs.

None of the Lady Owls scored in double figures, but most of them scored against the Fillies. Amanda Estes led the scoring with eight points, and others contributing points to the score were Bryn Mayfield, seven; Chelsey Cherry and Kurby Garvin, six points each; Brooke Garvin and Taylor Griffin, five points each; Jenny Young and Tarran Forbes, four points each; Julie Weaver, two points. Taylor hit one from downtown.

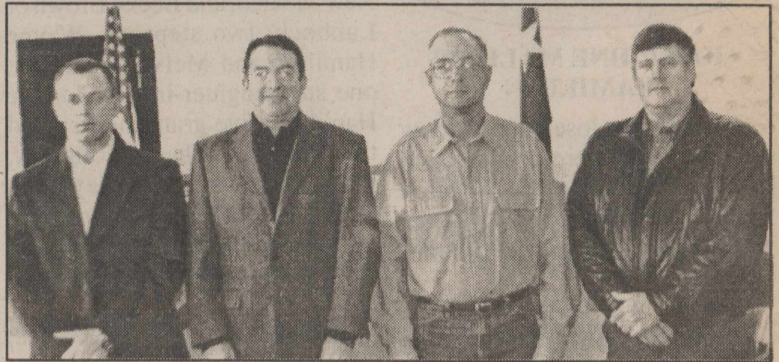
Lady Owls	8	22	35	47
Bovina	7	16	31	44

The Owls almost made up the deficit in their game behind the scoring of Issac Garcia, 15, including two three-pointers; Red Ivory, 14, and Isaiah Ivory, 10 points. Adding to the score were Andrew Francis, eight; Matt Strange, six; Adrian Ramirez, four, and Dustin Hale, three points.

Owls	17	31	48	60
Bovina	15	37	54	62

Named to the All-Tournament girls team were Ollinger, Claude, MVP; Cantu, Bovina; Curry, Hart; Via, Lazbuddie; Haney, Cotton Center; Holmes, Kress; Parker, Trinity; Taule, Trinity; Estes, Silverton; Griffin, Silverton; Cameron, Claude.

The boys All-Tournament was made up of Brinkman, Trinity, MVP; Finch, Hart; Antillion, Bovina; Eddelman, Claude; Street, Kress; Garcia, Lazbuddie; Red



The oath of office was administered to Jason Miller, Briscoe County Sheriff; William Smith, Attorney; Terry Grimland, Commissioner, Precinct 1, and Larry Comer, Commissioner, Precinct 3, Tuesday morning. Betty Ann Stephens, County Tax Collector, was not present and had taken her oath of office earlier due to a doctor's appointment.

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Ivory, Silverton; Kline, Cotton Center; Ashby, Cotton Center; Goodard, Trinity; Curry, Trinity.

On Tuesday night of last week, the teams split a pair of games with Groom, with the Lady Owls dropping a 39-20 match and the Owls ripping off a 48-28 decision.

Scoring for the Lady Owls were Taylor Griffin and Bryn Mayfield, five points each; Amanda Estes, four points; Chelsey Cherry, three; Jenny Young and Julie Weaver, one point each.

Lady Owls	11	12	16	20
Groom	11	19	32	39

The Owls got off to a very slow start and the entire first half was close; however, the Owls were able to put the Groom boys away in the second half.

Isaiah Ivory led the offense with 17 points. Also scoring were Red Ivory and Issac Garcia, nine points each; Matt Strange, eight; Andrew Francis, five points.

Isaiah hit two three-pointers and Andrew hit one.

It's a Girl!

Shawn and Vanessa Barbour are the proud parents of a baby girl. Taeleigh Dawn arrived at 10:02 a.m. at Covenant Hospital in Plainview on December 30, 2000. She weighed 6 lbs. 12.4 ozs. and is 20 inches long.

Grandparents are Steve and Debbie Barbour of Haskell and Gary and Ramona Martin of Silverton. Great-grandparents are Erlene Barbour and Neil and Louise Powell, all of Tulia, and Mary Martin of Silverton.

The Girl Scouts were founded under the name the Girl Guides in 1912. The name was changed the following year. Daisy Gordon was the first Girl Guide in the United States.

Owls	2	15	33	48
Groom	2	11	19	28

The teams went to Kress Tuesday night, and will be playing at Paducah Friday night.



Amanda Estes, Taylor Griffin and Red Ivory were selected as members of the All-Tournament teams at the conclusion of the annual Hoot-Out Tournament Saturday night.

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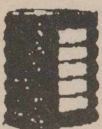
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The Asebedo Family

Silverton is a great place to live. Thank you for all of your prayers, cards, meals and everything else that was done for me and my family when I had surgery.

Sheryl Weaver

If it be knowledge or wisdom one is seeking, then one had better go direct to the source. And the source is not the scholar or philosopher, not the master, saint, or teacher; but life itself--direct experience of life --Henry Miller

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Library Opens.....9:15 a.m.
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Morning Worship.....10:30 a.m.
Ladies Group.....4:00 p.m.
Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.

MONDAY:
RAs, GAs, Mission Friends.....3:30 p.m.

TUESDAY
Mens Group.....6:30 a.m.

SECOND & FOURTH TUESDAYS:
Baptist Women.....9:30 a.m.

WEDNESDAY:
Library Opens.....6:30 p.m.
Bible Study/Prayer.....7:00 p.m.
TeamKID.....7:00 p.m.

THURSDAY
Ladies Prayer Group.....9:00 a.m.
Weigh Down Workshop.....7:00 p.m.

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SUNDAY:
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Worship Service.....10:55 a.m.
Choir Practice.....5:00 p.m.
Evening Bible Study.....6:00 p.m.

TUESDAY:
Unit. Meth. Women.....9:30 a.m.

WEDNESDAY:
In-home Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

FRIDAY:
Unit. Meth. Men.....6:30 a.m.

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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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Doctrina Class.....4:30-5:30 p.m.
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SUNDAY:
Worship Service.....10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.


WEDNESDAY:
Worship Service.....7:30 p.m.

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Prayer Meeting.....9:00 a.m.



Doing the Right Thing

Doing the right thing is not always easy. It may involve a sacrifice on our part, or having to do something that we really don't feel like doing. Going to your child's little league ball game after a hard days' work; attending a church function; or visiting a sick friend may involve extra effort on our part, but it may be the right thing to do. There are also thousands of worthwhile organizations requesting and needing our financial support, and trying to determine where we will donate our hard-earned money is not an easy task. We know that we should pray about everything, and the Bible tells us that our purpose is to do what is right, not only in the sight of the Lord, but also in the sight of man. (2 Cor. 8:21). Everyone needs help and support at times, and being there for those in need reflects God's love and is the right thing to do. God loves a cheerful giver - that includes our time, talents and money.



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Obituary

JOSEPHINE MALLOW HAMILTON

Services for Josephine Mallow Hamilton, 86, were conducted at 2:00 p.m. Sunday at the Silverton United Methodist Church with the Rev. Jay Stinson, pastor, officiating.

Burial was in the Silverton Cemetery, with arrangements made by Myers-Long Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Hamilton died Thursday, December 28, in Lubbock where she had resided due to her failing health.

Born February 6, 1914 in Taylor County, she attended the Francis Community School and Silverton High School. She married Albert Mallow September 12, 1931 in Clovis, New Mexico. He died in January of 1976.

She married Winston Hamilton in 1980 in Silverton. He died in June of 1997.

She was a member of the Silverton United Methodist Church, where she was active in United Methodist Women. She was active in PTA and other school activities. She was a member of the Farmers Union and sold Farmers Union insurance. She also was a member of the Sewing Club.

Survivors include two daughters, Sandra Rampley of Roswell, New Mexico, and Becky Brown of Lubbock; two stepsons, Wayne Hamilton and Melvin Hamilton; one stepdaughter-in-law, Jonette Hamilton; five grandchildren and their spouses, Shauna Rampley, Doug and Sherre Rampley, Pam and Tom Hutchens, Amy and Philip Ross and Corey and Lisa Brown, and seven step-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Wayne Nance, Fred Strange, Mike Long, Jay Long, John Wyatt and Don Brown.

The family suggested that memorials be made to the elevator fund at Silverton United Methodist Church.

Silverton School Activities

Friday, January 5--Owls at Paducah, 4:00 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, January 5-6--JV Lady Owls in Tournament at Lazbuddie; first game at 11:00 a.m. Friday

Saturday, January 6--Plainview Powerlifting Meet

Monday, January 8--Junior High at Happy, 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday, January 9--Ropes, here, 4:00 p.m.

Thursday, January 11--Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Friday, January 12--Paducah, here, 4:00 p.m.

WEATHER

December Readings at 6:00 a.m. each day

	High	Low	Precip.
1	66	29	
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3	32	24	
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5	48	22	
6	43	29	
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28	31	14	
29	41	13	
30	38	12	
31	38	19	

Total Precip. in December .88

Normal Precip. for Dec. .68

Total 2000 Precip. Rec'd, 20.38

Normal Precip. for Year to Date 21.22

Silverton School Lunch Menu

Monday, January 8--Beef and Vegetable Soup, Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Crackers, Milk, Fruit

Tuesday, January 9--Mexican Casserole, Hot Sauce, Salad, Refried Beans, Chips, Milk, Fruit Roll-Up

Wednesday, January 10--Chicken Tetrazini, Salad, Crackers, Milk, Sweet Roll

Thursday, January 11--Steak, Gravy, Green Beans, Mashed Potatoes, Hot Roll, Milk, Honey & Butter

Friday, January 12--Chili Dog, French Fries, Milk, Fruit & Jello

Happy Birthday-

January 4--John Colby McCoy, Wynter Dudley, Wendell Reed, Valeria Weaver, Able Asebedo, Jon Ivory, Gail Arnold

January 5--Amy fuston, Glenda May, Angie Aguilar

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January 7--Fred Brannon, Maynard Greeson, Rose Marie Trevino, Mark Hutsell

January 8--Dedra Johnston, Leo Fleming, Lupe Couch, Elton Cantwell, Terry West, Christian Joseph Taitano

January 9--Debbie Burk, Loyd Stephens, Larry B. Stephens, jr., Rex Long, Doris McDonald, Richard Roehr, Dewey Estes

Weigh Down Seminar Continues

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The Bible-based weight loss seminar is open to both men and women, so please make plans to attend the free orientation that will be held Thursday, January 11, at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of First Baptist Church in Silverton. At the orientation, you will learn more about the 12-week seminar that guides you through your weight loss journey in the form of weekly video instruction.

Happy Anniversary-

January 6--Mr. and Mrs. Russell Bingham

January 9--Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Edwards

Rainfall Report For Year 2000

	2000	Yearly Average
January	.16	.65
February	.00	.60
March	2.52	.93
April	2.39	1.49
May	.80	3.11
June	9.10	3.78
July	.46	2.39
August	.00	2.64
September	.01	2.49
October	3.04	1.75
November	1.45	.71
December	.88	.68
Totals	20.81	21.22

Each participant in the seminar also receives a set of audiocassette lessons and a student guide/workbook to enhance and strengthen their home study during the week.

Come learn more about the Weigh Down Workshop's EXODUS Out of Egypt seminar, the program that is changing peoples' lives as well as their weight. For more information, call Carolyn Lowrey at 823-2412 or 823-2255. 1-2tnc

The artistic temperament sometimes seems to me to be a battleground, a dark angel of destruction and a bright angel of creativity wrestling, and when the bright angel dominates, out comes a great work of art, a Michelangelo, "David" or a Beethoven symphony. --Madeleine L'Engle

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December 13, 1990--January 15 is deadline for second family history book . . . Anthony Gamble was showing one of the fragrant balsam fir Christmas wreaths that his Scout Troop is selling . . . Mr. and Mrs. Louie Kitchens will be observing their golden wedding anniversary quietly this month with their children and grandchildren . . . Bradley Brunson was named a back on the offensive team and a linebacker on the defensive team in the All-Star Six-Man Football team. Others named to the All-District teams were Langdon Reagan, center, and Casey Frizzell, defensive back, and Lyndell Ivory, defensive lineman. Honorable mention went to Brian Martin, safety, Frank Ramirez, corner, and Kirk Couch, quarterback . . .

December 11, 1980--R. A. Baird rites held here Monday . . . Heavy downpour of rain drenched Briscoe County Sunday, accompanying a spring-like thunderstorm. Hail was reported from south of Silverton and also at Tulia. According to Fred Strange, Silverton received .78 of an inch of precipitation . . . Lowell Callaway has recently spent several days as a patient in Lockney General Hospital . . . Easter Ivory has been a patient in Lockney General Hospital . . . Gym has new score clock, which was donated by Brown-McMurtry, First State Bank and the Silverton Booster Club . . . Silverton players named All-District were Roger Cantwell, center; Gary Juarez, linebacker; Russell Couch, punter . . . FFA members who assisted with putting up Christmas decorations on the courthouse lawn last week were Brandon Jarrett, Bill Settle, Roger Cantwell, Brent Grabbe, Joe Arnold and Walter Perkins . . .

December 10, 1970--Bill Strange has been named to the Class A All-South Plains football team. Alvin May was listed as an honorable mention . . . Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Frizzell are parents of a son, Jamie Lynn . . . Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bomar are parents of a son, Jason Randolph . . . Owls win first place in Matador tournament. Fineas Ivory scored 20 points for the Owls. Evelyn Wood scored 33 points and 46 points for the Owlettes . . .

December 17, 1970--Bill Stovall resigns as head coach and athletic director . . . Timothy Gamble receives Army Commendation Medal for valor in Vietnam action . . . Young Homemakers have Progressive Dinner Party. Those helping with the appetizers were Mrs. Gordon Lowrey and Mrs. Donald Perkins; soup and salad--Mrs. Fred Minyard and Mrs. Dwain Henderson; main course--

Mrs. Joe Kitchens and Mrs. Tommy Perkins; dessert--Mrs. Wayne Stephens and Mrs. G. W. Chappell . . . Jim Reid has returned home after serving 14 months in Germany. Upon discharge, Reid received the Army Commendation Medal for outstanding service to the United States . . . Jim E. Smith has returned from Cam Ranh Bay in Vietnam, and was presented the Bronze Star for distinguishing himself by exceptionally meritorious service in connection with ground operations against a hostile force in the Republic of Vietnam . . .

December 8, 1960--Norlan Dudley named "Man of the Year" at Hart . . . Cold arctic air enveloped Silverton on Tuesday, glazed sidewalks and streets with ice, and dropped nighttime temperatures to as low as 10 degrees in places . . . Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Rhoderick and Eddie of Plainview were Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Rhoderick, sr. . . Mrs. J. E. Vaughan visited her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Denzil Vaughan, in Amarillo over a long weekend . . . Mr. and Mrs. Fred Arnold, Lannie, Penny, Laura and Kerry spent the recent Thanksgiving holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Arnold . . . Alan Grimland celebrated his eighth birthday Wednesday with a party in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Grimland . . . Mr. and Mrs. Chafe Tipton, Weldon and David were Sunday dinner guests of her parents, the L. A. McJimseys . . .

December 15, 1960--Plainview Production Credit Association to have open house in new Silverton office . . . Celene Lanham installed as the first Worthy Advisor of the Silverton Rainbow Assembly . . . Funeral services for Oscar William Stroup, long-time Quitaque resident, were held Tuesday . . . Floyd (Blue) Stidham has been a patient at St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo since Thursday of last week . . . 12-inch snowfall gives area a Christmasy look . . . Mr. and Mrs. Sid Marshall are parents of a son, Randall Wayne . . . Mr. and Mrs. Gail Bullock are the parents of a son, Rodney Dale . . . Mr. and Mrs. Coleman Garrison, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Whittemore and Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Thornton attended the funeral of Thomas E. Garner, brother of Mrs. Garrison, in Turkey . . . Nava-Guzman vows exchanged in formal double-ring church ceremony . . . Mr. and Mrs. Wayne McCutchen announce the marriage of their daughter, Joy Ann, to Mr. Bob Weatherly . . .

December 29, 1960--Luther K. Gilkeyson dies in Plainview hospital . . . Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Schott and family were visitors Sunday in Quitaque in the home of Mrs.

Gladys Wise and Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Bogan . . . Lockney Rainbow Girls initiate Silverton Rainbow Girls . . . Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Autry had their entire family for the holidays. This was the first time in nine years all the children had been at home together . . . The lovely home of Mrs. M. G. Moreland was the scene Monday of a miscellaneous bridal shower honoring Miss Joyce Thornton, bride-elect of Mr. Wendall Patterson . . . Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Rogers, jr., Rhonda and Beverly of Quitaque spent Christmas Eve with her father, Mr. and Mrs. John Boyles, in Silverton . . .

December 14, 1950--Mr. and Mrs. Jim Stevenson and Mr. and Mrs. Dean Allard visited Sunday with their mother, Mrs. Minnie Stevenson, in Canyon . . . Mrs. Olive London had as her dinner guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. H. L. O. Riddell, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Brooks and Nancy . . . Sunday dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Stephens were Mr. and Mrs. Bud McMinn and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ledbetter and sons . . .

December 28, 1950--A. H. Chappell and family injured in car crash on the Silverton-Floydada highway about one quarter of a mile this side of where the highway turns to go to Lockney. Albert Duncan, athletic director of

McLean Schools, was killed . . . Miss Glenna Boyles and Curtis Monk of Quitaque were united in marriage at the Baptist parsonage Wednesday in a double-ring ceremony . . . Richard Tunnell, Joe Lee Bomar and Pat Northcutt went to Roswell, New Mexico Tuesday for Larry Tunnell and Wayne McMurtry . . . Mr. and Mrs. John Henry Crow of Dallas spent the weekend in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Crow . . . Little George Masey spent the weekend with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Masey, at Roaring Springs . . . Flunoy Hutsell and Donald Rhea of Hardin-Simmons University, are spending the holidays with their families . . . Mrs. Willie Smithee and Mrs. Gordon Montague were business visitors in Floydada Tuesday . . .

January 10, 1946--Three prisoners being taken to Huntsville last Thursday night attempted to overpower Sheriff Jake Honea and Sheriff Lee Howard of Floydada and two of them were shot in the scuffle. They will recover from their wounds . . . About a ton of plaster fell from the portico ceiling at the west entrance to the courthouse Monday morning. Fortunately no one was standing in the danger zone at the time. . . A broken water pipe in the boiler room at the high school made a lot of

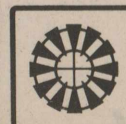
youngsters happy Monday--it meant another holiday, before school resumed classes after the Christmas recess . . . Work to start soon on Veterans Home in Silverton . . . Property owners eager for paving . . . Earl Brock and daughter, Mona, were in Plainview Tuesday . . . L. D. Griffin left Saturday to report back to Victorville, California . . . Mrs. C. C. Garrison left Wednesday of last week for Crosbyton to spend several days with her son, Keltz and family. Mrs. Keltz Garrison was taken to Dallas Sunday for medical treatment. Mrs. Garrison remained with the children . . . Mr. and Mrs. Barney Stephens and family were dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Holt Sunday . . .

February 20, 1930--Owls snatched three in a row from Quitaque, five with cumulative power, for the first time within many years. Silverton High School took the Briscoe County basketball championship from Quitaque by winning the final go of a five-game series Saturday night at Quitaque. The score was 17 to 14 . . . Gasoline made a clean sweep of the first rural boys' basketball tournament held at the Silverton High School Gymnasium. Four teams entered both the junior and senior divisions: Gasoline, Haylake, Rock Creek and Francis.



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Cotton Market weekly

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In a week of lackluster holiday trade, many traders were content to remain on the sidelines as they awaited the release of domestic mill use data and the weekly export sales report. When released, traders learned USDA's export sales number was well within market expectations, but an unexpectedly low mill use figure sent the market lower.

According to the National Cotton Council (NCC), U. S. textile mills in November used cotton at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 9.12 million. The figure fell below the range of trade expectations as market ideas ranged mostly from 9.3 million to 9.8 million bales before the report's release.

Although the November figure was much lower than expected, the October revision was minor, falling only slightly from a previous estimate of 9.58 million bales. A NCC analyst tied the steep slide in November mill use to slowing retail sales; a downturn confirmed by recent reports of lower-than-expected holiday sales in December.

"A lot of companies (textile mills) shut down to clear out the excess inventory caused by a slowdown in retail sales," the analyst noted.

In addition, mills are seeing smaller orders from retailers as retail stores reduce the size of their inventories. According to NCC's representative, buyers are limiting

purchases to small orders for immediate delivery.

Some market observers said slowing consumer demand was linked to uncertainty regarding the presidential election. However, widely reported news of disappointing holiday sales and a sense of diminished wealth as the U. S. stock markets sink, combined with the talk of a hard economic landing, also were likely reasons for conservative consumer spending.

While NCC economists did not comment on the impact of the Caribbean Basin Initiative (CBI), several mills recently have said they expect business to increase gradually this spring as the CBI regulations become finalized.

Meanwhile, net export sales of U. S. cotton reached 94,900 bales for the week ended December 21. The figure was 39 percent above cotton sales for the previous week but 17 percent lower than the four-week average. South Korea was the premier buyer of U. S. cotton with purchases totaling 27,900 bales. Taiwan and Turkey rounded out the list of top buyers with acquisitions of 10,500 and 8,200, respectively.

A break in U. S. futures prices and the decline in the value of the dollar against several currencies should help to stimulate export demand after the holidays, traders said. However, they believe the cotton market could experience some trouble if demand does not

Older Adults Should Not Neglect Exercise

More than a third of Texans older than 65 do not engage in any physical activity, but getting that type of exercise is not as hard as it seems.

The benefits of physical activity for older adults, according to Dr. Sharon Robinson, assistant professor and nutrition specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, include reducing the risk of a heart attack, controlling weight, reducing blood pressure and helping to prevent osteoporosis.

"It's easy to let physical inactivity take over," Robinson said. "The key is to keep moving and to plan some type of physical activity into your every day routine."

Exercises can be as simple as coming to a stand during television commercial breaks or using plastic milk jugs filled with water as weights to do arm reaches. A one-half gallon container of water weighs about four pounds.

"Walk," Robinson suggested. "Don't park in the space nearest the building to which you are going."

As with people of any age, use the buddy system.

"You'll help motivate each other and it's safer," she said.

These tips and more are included in an education series sponsored by the Extension Service called, "Older Adults Taking Aim for Nutrition and Health."

Adults over the age of 65 years should consult a doctor regarding which kinds, and how much, physical activity is right for them.

materialize by mid-January.

The Cotlook A Index was reported unchanged at 65.95 cents per pound on Wednesday, December 27. All five of the index component growths held steady, traders noted. Memphis cotton prices, the sixth lowest priced variety, was well below the A Index, but traders are nervous about predicting a sharp rise in export business until some of the other cotton exporting nations start to run out of cotton supplies.

Cotton bulls are optimistic that supplies from Uzbekistan, French African nations and Australia will start to dwindle, and any new export business naturally will drift toward U. S. supplies.

On the spot cotton scene, sales were significantly lower due to lackluster interest, coupled with an abbreviated week due to the Christmas holiday. In the week ended December 28, online sales of Texas/Oklahoma/Kansas cotton dropped to 7,268 bales, versus the previous week's sales of 24,438 bales. Average daily prices received by producers utilizing the Internet trading system ranged from 47.40 to 50.01 cents per pound compared to a range of 51.13 to 52.06 cents the previous week.

"Small businesses often dread the holiday gift giving experience, particularly when they're buying for clients," says Jim Blann, Senior Vice President, American Express Small Business Services. "While the right gift can set a company apart from the competition and even boost sales, an inappropriate gesture can leave a negative and lasting impression."

To help, the American Express Small Business Exchange, a Web site dedicated to the needs of small businesses, has created a holiday gift giving guide, which features an interactive benchmarking tool that lets firms gauge their gift giving strategies-plans, budgets and spending-against those of other companies.

The site also contains advice on successful corporate gift giving etiquette, including:

- Make a lasting impression. The gifts you give are a direct reflection of your business, so invest time to find the unusual or distinctive.

- Get personal. A gift that matches your clients' interests will stand out from the pack. Do they follow sports? Have a hobby? If

you don't know, call their assistant to find out.

- Don't overdo. A costly gift may embarrass or even alienate your client. Remember, it's not how much you spend that makes a gift appreciated, but the thought you put into it.

- Use common sense. There are situations where a seemingly innocent gift can be taken the wrong way. You wouldn't give chocolate to a diabetic or a gift to a member of the opposite sex that might be construed as too intimate.

- Don't give cash. It may appear like you're offering your client a bribe.

- Be charitable. Making a donation to a charity in a client's name can be considered quite generous and thoughtful. It's best to stay with mainstream groups that are not politically sensitive.

"Another important tip is to avoid giving the same gift each year," notes Blann. "The last thing a company wants to do is to appear stale and unoriginal." To help owners solve this dilemma, the Small Business Exchange is also featuring "Hot Holiday Gifts" that can be purchased directly from the site.

Keeping an Eye on Texas

Texas Tidbits

According to a 1997 fact sheet published by National Agriculture Week, Texas produces enough:

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- wheat to make more than 8 billion loaves of bread.
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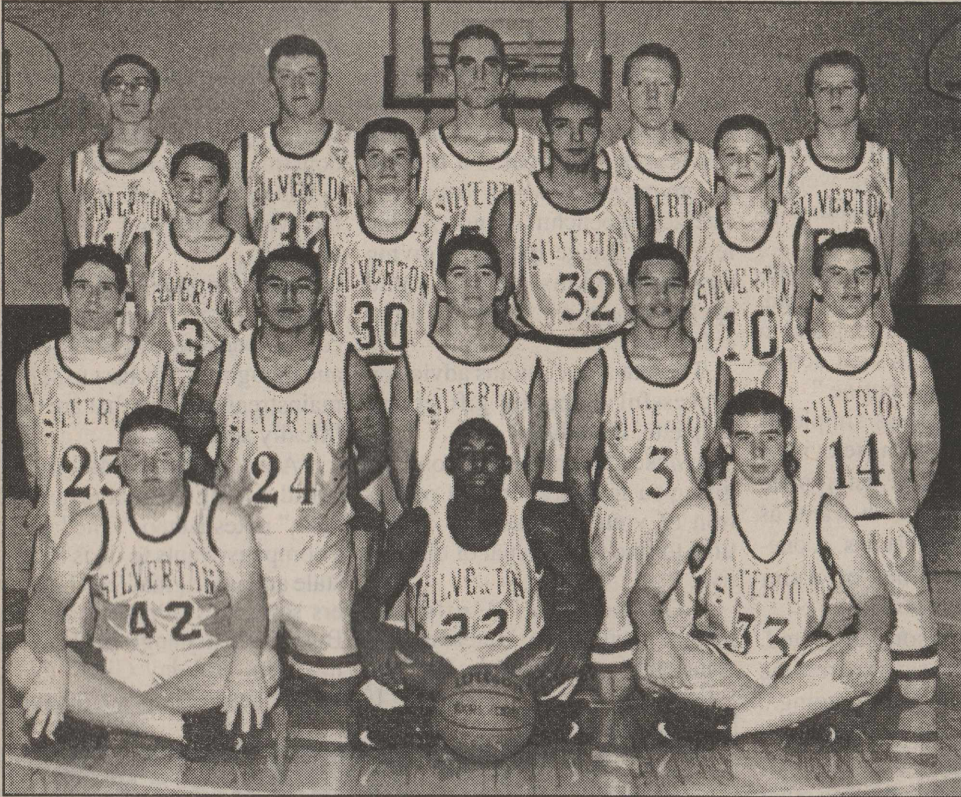
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Silverton Owls & Lady Owls 2000 - 2001 Basketball Schedule



The Owls--(left to right, first row) Eric Minyard, Nathan Baker, Chase Comer; (second row) Dustin Hale, Adrian Ramirez, Isaiah Ivory, Red Ivory, Andrew Francis; (third row) Caleb Francis, Colt Smith, Issac Garcia, Payton Estes; (back row) Ty Reed, Darin Martin, Matt Strange, Tyler Young, Josh Allen.

Owl And Lady Owl Schedule

Friday, Jan. 5th

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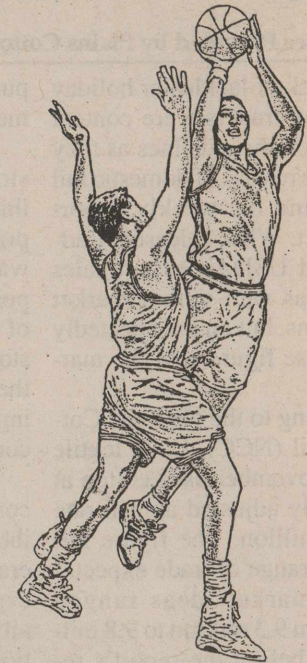
Jan. 12

Paducah Here

Junior High

January 8th

Happy There



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Lady Owls--(first row, left to right) Bryn Mayfield, Daryl-Ann Reynolds, Amanda Estes, Kami Wilson; (second row) Rachel Vangresheppe, manager; Kelcy Simpson, Tarran Forbes, Kurby Garvin, Brooke Garvin, Brandi Rice, Caatherine Reyna, manager; (back row) Kendra Rhoderick, manager; Taylor Griffin, Lori Griffin, Chelsey Cherry, Kassie Strange, Julie Weaver, Jenny Young, Coach Jodi Card.

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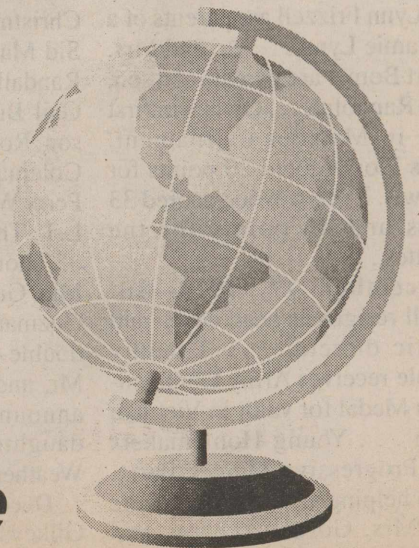
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