

**All Around
The Town**

By Mary Ann Sarchet



Elections have been moving some local residents into key positions in the area.

Morris Wilcox has been elected president of the Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority board of directors.

Lane Garvin has been elected third vice-president of Texas Municipal League Region 2.

A number of Silverton people have been working to beautify Briscoe County in the weeks leading up to the 108th birthday celebration and bi-annual Silverton School homecoming.

People are being urged to clean up around their homes, businesses, around empty buildings, especially if they are located on the highways. We always want to "put on a happy face" before people come back to their home town for a visit with friends and relatives.

If you have neighbors who don't have a lawn mower or who aren't able to do their own yard, please take time to help them or call City Hall and they may be able to recommend someone to come help them.

Silverton Boy Scouts and leaders worked for several hours Saturday on their Community Service badges cleaning up roadsides and yards. The leaders are Larry Comer and Rick Minyard. (Be sure to express your appreciation to these guys.)

If we all work really hard this weekend, we will be ready for the celebration and homecoming that will be here August 11-12.

Actually, the Briscoe County Birthday Celebration will get underway with the County Roping on Saturday, August 5. This event is open to all the ropers who live in Briscoe County or who ever lived here.

The school homecoming will be filled with surprises on the program as well as in the brunch that will precede the program. The members of the homecoming committee and some who have been assisting them are catering the brunch, and it promises to be very special this year.

Charlie talked to Tom Strange a few days ago, and he said he was continuing to recuperate from a broken hip and the resulting surgery. He is doing well, but probably won't be here for the celebration and homecoming.

**Silverton School
Homecoming
Saturday, August 12**

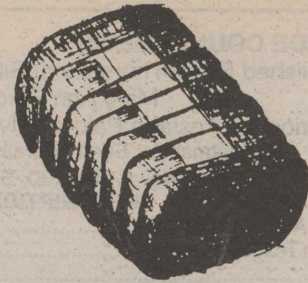


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County Roping Set To Go Here August 5

The Briscoe County Roping will be held at Wood Memorial Arena in Silverton Saturday, August 5. To be eligible for roping in this event, contestants must live or have lived in Briscoe County.

There will be AB and Open ropings.

Books open at 2:00 p.m.

The introduction of ropers will begin at 2:30 p.m., and ropers not entered by 2:30 p.m. won't be in the introduction.

The concession stand will be open and serving some good homemade food.

Shoes To Be Ordered Soon

The school coaches have found a special on football shoes and the price will vary between \$30.00 and \$35.00. They will be ordering shoes next week, and need to know shoe sizes of those who will be interested in this shoe. Please call 823-2476 and ask for Coach Lee or Coach Henderson by Aug. 2.

Booster Club To Serve Hamburgers

Silverton Booster club will serve a hamburger supper beginning at 7:00 p.m. Monday, August 17, at the football field.

All junior high and high school parents and other Boosters are invited to attend and enjoy a hamburger and time of fellowship.

Breast Cancer Screening is August 24

by Lena Duesterhaus
County Extension Agent, FCS

A "Breast Cancer Screening Clinic," a project of The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and Baptist St. Anthony's Health System of Amarillo, plans to be at the Briscoe County Clinic, 701 E. Commerce, in Silverton Thursday, August 24, 2000.

For more information or to schedule an appointment, call toll free 1-800-377-4673.

Financial aid is available.



Scoutmaster Larry Comer, Max and Chase Comer and Eric Minyard took part in community service by cleaning the highway right-of-way and other places in Silverton where they were needed last Saturday. The boys are working toward their Community Service Badges as part of earning their Eagle Scout Awards. Briscoe County News Photo

Athletes To Have Physicals Aug. 4

Dr. Turner will be in Silverton August 4 to give physicals to all boys and girls who are planning to participate in athletics this school year. The cost will be \$15.00 on the day of the physical. If you cannot make it on this date, Dr. Turner will still give physicals at his office for the same price for his patients only.

You must have a physical on file for the current year before you can start any athletic program. Here are the times to come for the physicals. Please remember to bring all papers with you, signed by you and your parents. If you need another copy of the physical form, please come by the school.

Times: Seniors	1:30
Juniors	2:00
Soph.	2:30
Fresh	3:00
Jr. High	3:30

Following is a general practice schedule for two-a-days so you may make plans to go school shopping or for dentist appointments, etc.

Aug. 7 8:00-10:00 a.m. (team)	
2:00- 3:00 p.m. (QB's)	
3:00- 5:00 p.m. (OL)	
5:30- 7:30 p.m. (RB's)	
Aug. 8 8:00-10:00 a.m. (team)	
1:00- 2:00 p.m. (QB's)	
2:00- 4:00 p.m. (OL)	
4:00- 6:00 p.m. (RB's)	

Aug. 9 7:00-8:30 a.m. (team)
4:00-4:30 p.m. (QB's)
5:00-6:30 p.m. (OL)
7:00-8:30 p.m. (RB's)

TDA to Host Hearings on Proposed Assessment for Northern High Plains Boll Weevil Eradication Zone

The Texas Department of Agriculture will host public hearings on Thursday, August 3, in Tulia, Plainview and Muncy to accept comments from cotton farmers and crop-sharing landowners on a proposed assessment rate for the Northern High Plains Boll Weevil Eradication Zone referendum.

The public hearings are scheduled for 10:30 a.m. at the Tulia City Council Chambers, 201 N. Maxwell, Tulia; 1:00 p.m. at the Plainview Hotel and Conference Center, 4005 Olton Road, Plainview; and 3:00 p.m. at the Unity Center, Highway 70, Muncy (between Lockney and Floydada).

Cotton producers are encouraged to attend these hearings to offer their input regarding the proposed assessment recommended by the local zone advisory committee. Local committee members have proposed a maximum assessment rate of \$6 per acre for dry-land cotton and \$12 per acre for irrigated cotton.

TDA will take comments on a maximum assessment to be voted

Are You a Mom?

The first day of school can sometimes be harder on Mom than anyone else. The letting go and letting our kids grow up is a tough thing. I want to invite you to a prayer and fellowship time. It will be on Thursday, August 10, (first day of school) at 8:30 a.m. at First Baptist Church. This will be a time to be together and pray for our kids and their teachers and administration.

A nursery will be provided for non-school age children.

If you would like more information please call 823-2412. Come join us and get the school year off to a great start.

Thank you,
Valerie Mullin

School Employee Supper Changed

The school employee hamburger supper that had been scheduled to be held at the lake has been changed, and will be held in the school cafeteria instead.

on by cotton producers in a referendum set for October 2. At that time, cotton producers also will determine whether to establish a boll weevil eradication program for the zone and elect a board member to serve on the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation, inc.

The Northern High Plains Boll Weevil Eradication Zone consists of approximately 500,000 acres in six counties: Hale, Floyd, Briscoe, Swisher, Armstrong and Randall.

For more information on the proposal or the August 3 public hearing, contact Matt Brockman, Texas Department of Agriculture Special Assistant for Producer Relations at (512) 463-7593.

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August 11-12**

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CARDS OF THANKS

We sincerely thank each member of the fire department, friends and neighbors, for responding to the fire on our CRP land last Thursday. It is very comforting to know there are such caring, capable persons who are willing to help others in need. We appreciate everyone who helped in any way.

Thank you so much.
Clifton and Joy Stodghill
Art and Bonnie May Ainsworth

We would like to express our thanks to the EMTs when we needed them for Roy Mack. They are just the best. That was Connie's day off, but she took the time to make the run. Thanks again to all of you, Connie, Anthony, JoDee and Harlen--we are grateful to have you in our community.
Roy Mack and Lois

We want to express our thanks and appreciation to the Silverton Volunteer Fire Department and our friends and neighbors for their quick response when our car caught fire last Thursday.
May God bless each of you.
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Christene King

SEALED BIDS

INVITATION FOR BIDS

Sealed proposals addressed to Mr. Tom Davey, Manager of the Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority, will be received at the offices of the Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority until 6:00 p.m. September 19, 2000 for the painting of the tank interior and exterior of the approximately 550,000 gallon ground storage tank entitled:

PAINTING OF TANK INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR COUNTY LINE GROUND STORAGE TANK

At this time and place the proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud. Any bid received after closing time will be returned unopened.

Contract Documents, including Plans and Specifications, are on file and may be examined without charge in the offices of the Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority, Mackenzie Reservoir, Route 1, Box 14, Silverton, Texas 79257, telephone (806) 633-4326, and the offices of Brandt Engineers, Inc., Consulting Engineers, 4537 Canyon Drive, Amarillo, Texas 79110, Telephone (806) 353-7233. Contract documents, including plans and specifications may be procured from Brandt Engineers, Inc. at the above address as follows:

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Performance and Payment Bonds will be required.

In case of ambiguity or lack of clearness in stating proposal prices, the Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority reserves the right to adopt the most advantageous construction thereof, or to reject any or all bids, and waive formalities. No bid may be withdrawn within thirty (30) days after date on which bids are opened.

Tom Davey, Manager
Mackenzie Municipal
Water Authority 31-3tc

Several Poodle Skirts are needed for the Homecoming program. If you have one to loan, please contact Peggy Rowell.

New Arrival

Bill and Amanda Buchanan of Amarillo are proud parents of a baby boy. Preston Terry was born July 19, 2000. He weighed eight pounds, two ounces, and was 20 3/4 inches long.

Grandparents are Craig and Jane Buchanan of Amarillo and Terry and Rhonda Williams of Silverton. Great-grandmother is Maggie Sweek of Silverton.

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Hal Rogers, Minister

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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.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Randy G. Mullin, Pastor

SUNDAY:
Library Opens.....9:15 a.m.
Bible Study/S.S.....9:30 a.m.
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.
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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.

**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:
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Prayer Service.....8:00 p.m.

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

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

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SUNDAY:
Worship.....10:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.

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

MONDAY-SATURDAY:
Prayer Meeting.....9:00 a.m.

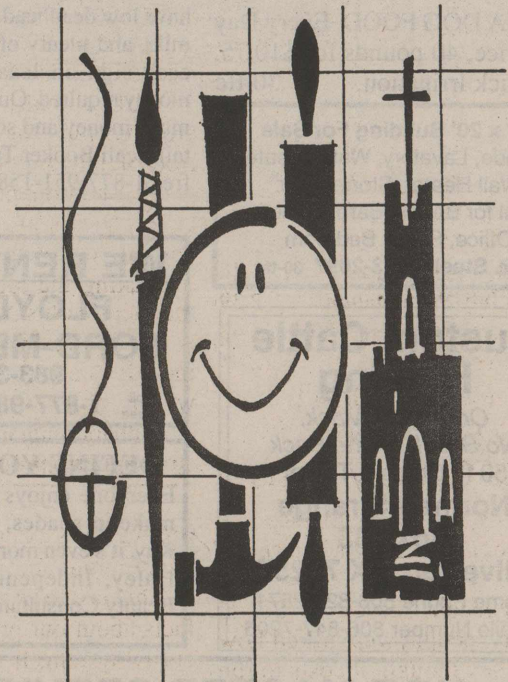
Enjoy What You Do

I recently saw a sign that read, "To love what you do, and feel that it matters, how could anything be more fun." A person who enjoys their work is usually more conscientious and will do a better job than someone who doesn't. Of course, almost any job may have some aspects to it that may not be completely rewarding or pleasant, but that is something that we just have to accept and still try to do our best. In our Lord's life, there were also things that were unpleasant, and His attitude was, "Thy will be done." There is much written in the Bible about working, and everyone that is able should perform some worthwhile work. Not only is it good for our well-being, it contributes positively to our society. One's occupation can be looked on as a gift from God, and one who enjoys their work is blessed.

The key to enjoying one's work is a positive attitude. We have to be careful of professing negativity with our lips, because eventually our mind starts believing it. Since a person usually has to work most of their lives, choosing to be content will make these years more enjoyable and favored by our Lord.

Work hard and do not be lazy. Serve the Lord with a heart full of devotion.

Good News Bible Romans 12:11



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Irrigating Center Pivot Corners May Reduce Return on Water Used

In the past, as the water table dropped, another well was drilled to make up for reduced well yields. Due to heavy pumpage caused by the present drought, well yields are declining again. However, with lower profit margin and higher drilling costs than in the past, adding another well is rapidly becoming an unacceptable alternative to offset reduced well yields.

Many farmers are re-evaluating their operation to see if they can get more yield out of the water being pumped. Evidence of this is all the new center pivot sprinkler systems that dot the landscape. The increased water use efficiency of these center pivots makes it possible to maintain yields with less

water pumpage. However after pivots are installed, many farmers feel compelled to irrigate the field corners. They apply more water per acre to a corner than to the rest of the field under a pivot. Irrigating corners is very labor-intensive: every row is a different length, requiring a different amount of water to wet the soil evenly without running irrigation tailwater. It is also very hard to maintain proper timing to water the corners. Consequently, the yield is usually not as great on the corners as on the rest of the field. In a nutshell, corners are difficult to irrigate and produce less return per acre per acre-inch of water applied and per unit of labor expended.

A Low Energy Precision Application (LEPA) center pivot sprinkler system is 95 percent efficient. A furrow-irrigated field is 60 percent efficient. Because of all the problems, irrigating corners is probably less than 60 percent efficient. It would certainly be less than 60 percent if the corner was watered from an open, unlined earthen ditch or if irrigation tailwater was running off the corner of the field.

Would the total farm yield be

increased if the corners were not watered but placed in a permanent grass cover and if the water saved was applied through the center pivot? The following example sheds some light on this question.

If 8.8 inches of water per acre was applied through a LEPA pivot covering 125 acres, a total of 1,100 acre-inches of water or 91.67 acre-feet of water would be pumped. Furrow irrigation of the corners at 60 percent efficiency would require 14 acre-inches of water per acre to produce the same yield.

If it were possible to produce a uniform application of water which would set the soil to the same level that can be accomplished with

a LEPA pivot, then it would require pumping at least 490 acre-inches of water on the corners. If that 490 acre-inches of water were applied to the 125 acres under the pivot instead, an additional 3.9 inches of water per acre could be applied through the LEPA pivot.

Research at Texas Tech University has shown that in cotton production, one additional inch of water produces between 50 and 70 pounds of extra cotton lint. At 50 pounds of lint per acre X 4 inches of water X 125 acres irrigated by the pivot, 25,000 pounds of additional lint would be produced. The 35 acres in the corners would have to yield 714 pounds of lint per acre

to equal this production.

Especially in limited-water areas, not watering corners and applying the water saved through the pivot should be given serious consideration.

Happy Anniversary--

- August 3--Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Garvin
- August 4--Mr. and Mrs. James Alan Patton, Mr. and Mrs. Kyle Ashley, Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Brown
- August 5--Mr. and Mrs. Cam Forbes
- August 6--Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Comer
- August 9--Mr. and Mrs. Greg Towe

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August 2, 1990--District 4-H Fashion Show entries from Briscoe County were Molly Brooks, Carrie Baird, Celeste Sperry, Ashleigh Wyatt, Shannon Weaver, Leslee Weaks, Cecilia Castillo and Briana Sperry . . . Daily showers have fallen on Silverton this week, and as the newspaper was being prepared for printing Tuesday morning it was cloudy with occasional light showers . . . Quitaque's First National Bank to celebrate its Seventieth Anniversary . . . Lake record blue cat was caught at lake Mackenzie by Delores Rossi of Tulia. It weighed 10-lbs. 5-ozs. and was certified as a lake record on the scales at Cactus Cove Marina. A 10-lb. 6-oz. striper was caught . . . Christa Tucker and Ashleigh Wyatt submitted first-place record books in the senior division of the 4-H district contest, and will be entered in state judging in late August . . . Miss Debra Kay Martin of Lakeview became the bride of Mitchell Sloan Grabbe in a double-ring ceremony June 6 at the First Christian Church in Memphis . . . Surprise party to honor Billy Ray Ford on his 55th birthday in Claude Saturday . . . The descendants of Gabe and Susie Garrison gathered Saturday at the home place, now the home of the youngest son, Pascal Garrison, and his wife, Donaleta . . . Walter Arnold was winner of the Open Steer Roping and Senior Steer Roping in the Burleson Arena last spring . . .

July 31, 1980--Norman Jasper, a graduate of Silverton High School with the Class of 1953, will be the speaker for the 1980 homecoming . . . Weather continues hot . . . Randy Clay joins Hale Center coaching staff . . . Mike Cornett to play in Greenbelt Bowl. He has nominated Judy Northcutt as a candidate for queen of the Greenbelt Classic . . . Mrs. Mattye Mayfield was in Beaumont last week to attend the wedding of her grandson, Mark Brooks. She had attended the wedding of his brother, Kelly Brooks, in Lamesa on June 21 . . . Mr. and Mrs. Billy Don Cagle are the parents of a son, Donnie Ray . . . The Progressive Homemakers and their families met Tuesday night for their annual family outing at Lake Mackenzie . . . Prolonged dry weather has damaged crops . . . Tricycle races will be held before parade Saturday . . . Sisters and a brother of Mrs. Porter Arnold met in Silverton for a reunion July 27 . . . Dr. and Mrs. James Chua Tuan to be honored with a reception and shower . . .

July 16, 1970--Workmen are repairing the facade of Silverton High School. New aluminum-frame windows have added a fresh new appearance to the building's exterior while a total remodeling

is more than half completed inside . . . Rhonda Sutton and Debbie Boling are 4-H Dress Revue Winners . . . Tommy Bullock is at home with the mumps this week . . . Bonnie Chappell is new secretary to president of Golden Gate Seminary . . . Claude Loudermilk has been a patient in an Amarillo hospital . . . Mrs. Carl Minyard was honored at a lullaby shower Saturday morning in the home of Mrs. Delvin Wadlow . . . Mr. and Mrs. Gary Hunt are parents of a son, Clint . . .

July 28, 1960--An Irrigation Belt League All-Star ballgame will be held Saturday at Tulia. Boys who will be playing from Silverton's teams are Norvell Breedlove, Bobby Stephens, Milton Thornton, John Montague, W. D. Rowell, Larry West, Randy Hughes, Greg Towe, Ronnie Grewe, Lynn Frizzell and Buddy Comer . . . Roland Montague, Venita Teeple, Linda Scott, Robert and Laquita Bomar have attended Camp Blue Haven Church of Christ Camp near Las Vegas, New Mexico, for the past two weeks . . . "Tootie" Goodman has announced the sale of Dr. Pepper Bottling Company in Tulia to Paul Webb, jr. and Warner Ward . . . The family of Mrs. J. H. Burson enjoyed a reunion over the weekend. A picnic supper was enjoyed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Burson, John Howard and Jimmy Saturday . . . A family and friends dinner was enjoyed in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Smith, Ann and Lynn on Sunday . . . Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Martin are parents of a son, Michael . . . Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Perry are parents of a son, Milton Lynn . . . Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ledbetter are parents of a son, John Robert, born July 26 . . . Mr. and Mrs. Ray Teeple and children have recently spent a few days vacationing at Lake City, Colorado . . .

July 27, 1950--Raymond Grewe and W. R. Hardin will go into the second primary for Sheriff, Assessor and Tax-Collector . . . A small tornado dipped down on the Johnnie Burson ranch seven miles northeast of town Tuesday evening about 6:15 and sucked the water out of a small, shallow lake and whipped away in an easterly direction . . . Mr. and Mrs. Fulton Gregg left Tuesday on a two-week vacation trip to Phoenix, Arizona and San Francisco, California . . . Mr. and Mrs. Bud McMinn and Mrs. Travis McMinn visited from Sunday until Wednesday last week in San Angelo and Brownwood . . . Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Stephens and Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Chappell visited Mr. and Mrs. Bud McMinn Sunday . . . Miss Betty Lou Anderson weds Willie Wesley in an impressive double-

ring ceremony . . .

September 5, 1946--More rain visited City of Silverton during week, totaling 1.17 inches . . . Joe Mercer resigns as president of local fire department . . . Miss Evelyn Coffee is bride of J. W. Brannon, jr. . . Miss Betty McMurtry and Mr. Delbert Devin were married in a candlelight ceremony in the country home of the bride's parents . . . Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Wallace and Mrs. George Jones were shopping in Tulia Friday . . . Mr. and Mrs. Hub Hodges spent Friday and Friday night with her sister, Mrs. J. L. Bice . . . Mrs. Mary Daniel of Plainview visited in the Clarence

Anderson home over the weekend . . . Mr. and Mrs. Luther Gilkeyson took John Myers, who has been ill at the home of his sister, Mrs. J. C. Bomar, to his home in Elida, New Mexico, Saturday . . . Mrs. Ruth Watley is substituting in the Happy School this week . . . Wright May of Vigo Park was a business visitor in Silverton Monday . . .

Happy Birthday--

August 4--Kristy Dorman, Debbie Holt, Mabel Tomlin, Lorn Estes, Ryan Smith, Victor Weaks, Monty Roehr, Denise Kellum, Henry Juarez

August 5--Larin Johnson

August 6--Leon Lavy, Lori Reid, LaNell Harrison, Trista Davis

August 7--Dwain Tipton, Rhett Montague, Walt Garrison, Michael Davis, Vonaceil Chandler

August 8--Eddie Rhoderick, James Davis, Penni Bentley, Jimmy Chappell, Scott Perkins, Sandi Tomlin, Erica Edwards

August 9--Cindy Flores, Joni Daniels, Jay Earl Jarrett

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2	81	66	
3	91	69	
4	91	70	
5	92	68	
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26	92	67	
27	97	64	
28	94	69	
29	96	66	
30	85	60	
31	88	64	
Total July Precipitation			.46
Normal July Precipitation			2.39
Total Precip. Rec'd in 2000			15.43
Normal Year to Date			12.95

Most People Don't Know How Much Social Security Costs

by Mary Jane Shanes
Social Security Manager
Plainview, Texas

In a recent survey on Social Security, people were asked how much they thought it costs to run the program. The answers ranged from five percent of benefit expenditures to 25 percent of benefits. Nobody came close to the truth--it costs less than one percent of the Social Security (i.e.



Cotton **PCG** **News**
from Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.

On the Texas High Plains nothing is ever easy or predictable. This year is proving again just how quickly things can change as producers struggle to meet the tremendous demands of a rapidly maturing cotton crop.

With area cotton mostly blooming and setting fruit the last thing any producer needs is too much stress either from a lack of moisture or from too many insects. Unfortunately that appears to be just exactly the situation that is developing over much of the area.

From a moisture standpoint just about all the moisture received in June has been depleted. Irrigated producers have been cranking up wells for the past few weeks in an effort to keep the crop moving ahead. Dryland crops are showing some signs of moisture stress and will need another infusion of moisture to continue its development.

With a healthy, well-formed crop reaching the peak bloom period of late-July/early-August in good condition, predictions of potential yields are understandably hard to pin down.

Making the job even harder is the fact that lusk cotton is its own worst enemy when the opposition includes boll weevils, beet armyworms, boll worms and aphids.

With looming insect pressures of stratospheric proportions, the fate

FICA) taxes collected to operate the program.

This is one of the lesser-known facts about our present Social Security system. It has built-in efficiencies that make it cost-effective to operate. These include the fact that it is compulsory and thus can count on participants. And because of the large number of participants, it operates on the economy of scale.

of the 2000 High Plains crop is far from certain. Reports from the field have been far from promising as insect populations continue an upward spiral.

The Texas Agricultural Extension Service is putting out the latest findings from its many field visits over the past few weeks and recommendations for making it through this tough stretch of the season.

The latest issue of FOCUS on Entomology can be found on the internet at the following address:
<http://lubbock.tamu.edu/ipm/AgWeb/index.html>

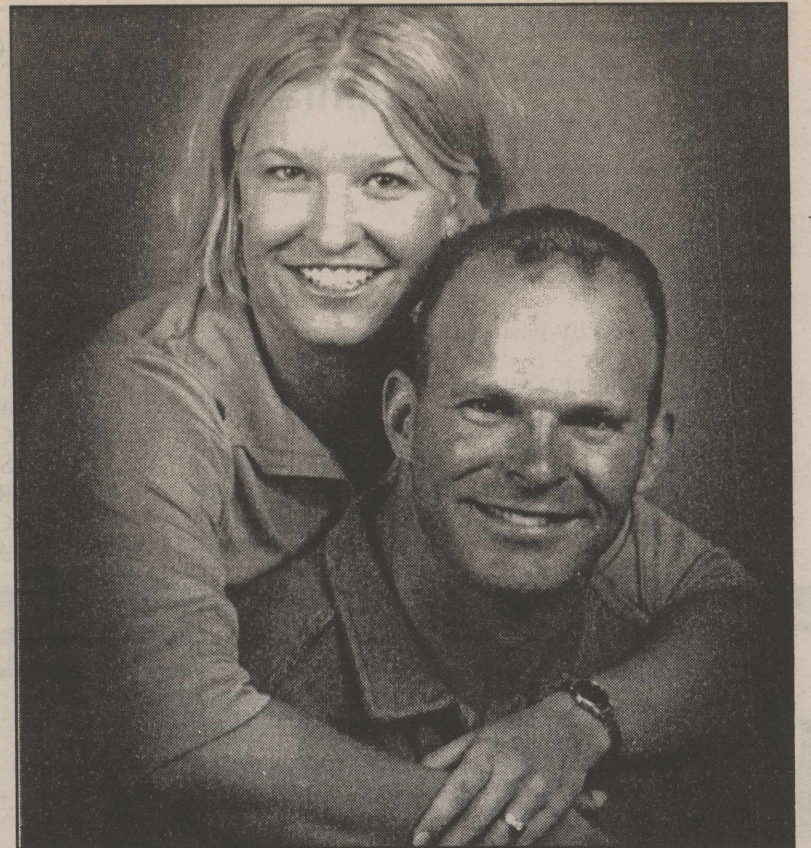
Boll weevil numbers are escalating this week as the first generation of Year 2000 emerges from where overwintered weevils laid eggs a few short weeks ago. Populations are building rapidly in non-active eradication zones, although some isolated areas in active zones also are seeing treatable populations as well.

Only time will tell how the High Plains fares through this critical stretch of the growing season. Growers are advised to be especially vigilant and take seriously the threat that these insect pests pose.

Members of the Plains Cotton Growers Board of Directors elected the organization's 2000-2001 Nominating Committee July 12.

The PCG Nominating Committee is composed of four members elected from the PCG Board plus the organization's three most recent past presidents.

The 2000-2001 PCG Nominating Committee members are Kevin Riley, Van Gaskins, Wesley Butcher, Kent Nix; and past presidents Don Langston, Jackie Burris and Frank B. Jones, jr.



Dana and Dorothy Martin are announcing the approaching marriage of their daughter, Kami Lynn, to Mr. Marvin Todd Cook, son of Dan and Kaye Cook of Fredericksberg, Virginia. Miss Martin is the granddaughter of Nina Martin of Silverton and the late Datis Martin and the late E. W. and Leona Yancey. She is a 1994 graduate of Silverton High School and received her BA degree in elementary education in 1999 from Texas Tech University. Her fiance is the grandson of Malcom and Katherine Cheek of Concord, North Carolina. He is a 1988 graduate of Courtland High School in Fredericksberg, Virginia and played football at Shephardstown College in Shephardstown, West Virginia. They plan to be married at South Lake Tahoe, California September 9, 2000, and will make their home in Kansas City, Missouri. Both are employed by Southwest Airlines.

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Silverton School Activities

Friday, August 4--Athletic Physicals, 1:30 to 6:00 p.m., Field House
 Monday and Tuesday, August 7-8--Teacher Workdays
 Tuesday, August 8--Employee Hamburger Supper, school cafeteria
 Wednesday, August 9--Teacher Inservice
 Thursday, August 10--First day of classes
 Saturday, August 12--Silverton School Homecoming: Registration, 9:30; Brunch, 10:30-11:30 a.m.; Program, 12:00 noon
 Monday, August 17--Booster Club hamburger supper, 7:00 p.m., football field

Silverton 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
Totals	15.43	15.59

New Arrival

Samantha and Alexis would like to announce the birth of their baby sister, Valorie Danae, born July 6, 2000. She weighed six pounds and 10 ounces, and was 19 3/4 inches long. Their proud parents are George and Stacie Cuellar of Canyon.
 Proud grandparents are G. W. and Veneta Chappell and George and Linda Cuellar of Canyon. Great-grandparents are Maggie Sweek of Silverton, George and Rosa Cuellar, Floyd and Carmen Griego and Georgie Diaz, all of Amarillo.

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Mrs. Lance Paul Bradford

Blair - Bradford Vows Exchanged in Brownfield Formal Church Ceremony

Julie Lynne Blair and Lance Paul Bradford were married June 17, 2000 at six o'clock in the evening at the First United Methodist Church in Brownfield. Ken McClung of the First Baptist Church in Meadow performed the ceremony.

Parents of the bride are Jerry and Carol Blair of Brownfield. The bride's grandparents are Willie and Lois Blair of Meadow and Ray and Barbara McLemore of Shamrock.

The groom is the son of Doug and Jeanetta Bradford of Silverton and is the grandson of Lou Younger and Bessie Bradford, both of Silverton.

The church altar was decorated with three candelabra, one behind the altar and one spiral candelabra on either side of the altar. A unity candle stand also was placed near the altar. They were decorated with white tulle, roses, satin bows and ivy. Two fresh floral arrangements were placed on each side of the steps leading up to the altar. The pews were decorated with white satin bows and fresh flowers.

The bride was escorted and given away by her father and wore a romantic ball gown. The soft scoop neckline and sleeveless bodice were accented with Alencon lace, pearls and sequins. The back of the gown had a deep scoop neckline and three rosettes and wide tails at the waist. The full skirt of bridal satin was embellished with lace appliques that flowed gracefully into a semi-cathedral train.

The hem was finished with Alencon lace, pearls and sequins. To complete the ensemble, the bride selected a demi-cap veil accented with pearls and crystals. Two layers of elbow-length illusion tulle scattered with pearls and crystals finished the headpiece.

The bride carried a cascading bouquet of orchids, tulips, stephanotis, roses, daisies and ivy. For something new, the bride chose her gown. For her something old, she wore a ring that belonged to her grandmother and was given to her by the bride's father. Her something borrowed was the bridal slip worn by the bride's sister and her something blue was her garter. Pennies minted in the years the bride and groom were born were placed in the bride's shoes.

Elizabeth Pruitt of Brownfield, friend of the bride, served as maid of honor. The bridesmaids were Lesli Kerth of Auburn, Alabama, sister of the bride, and Jill Pearson of Plano, friend of the bride. The bridal attendants wore yellow crepe A-line empire waist sleeveless dresses with triangular openings in the back. The dresses were accented with pearls at the neckline and waistline. A bow also accented the necklines. The bridesmaids carried nosegay bouquets of roses, daisies, tulips and greenery tied with tulle bows.

The flower girls were Patricia Cullender of Canadian, cousin of the bride, and Cortney Gragson of Rison, Arkansas, cousin of the

groom. They wore pale yellow satin sleeveless dresses with organza overlays on the skirts. The bodice and skirt were accented with sheer white ribbon and bows. They also wore fresh floral halos and carried white wicker baskets containing rose petals.

Candles were lit by Lindsay and Melanie Daniell of Florence, cousins of the bride.

Kullen Burk of Arroyo Grande, California, a friend of the groom, served as best man. The groomsmen were Blayn Hahn of Victoria and Steven Whaley of Pottsboro, friends of the groom. Derek McNutt of Lubbock was ringbearer.

Guests were seated by Lyndon Couch of Levelland, cousin of the groom; Aaron Briscoe of Brownfield, friend of the bride; Jerry Hill of Lubbock and Jory Runnels of Midland, friends of the groom.

Music for the ceremony was provided by Debra McCallister at the organ and Shirla Bayer at the piano. Courtney Beasley sang *I'll Be* as the parents were being seated and as the mothers lit the unity candle tapers. She also sang *I Do Cherish You* as the couple lit their unity candle.

The registration table was covered with a white lace-trimmed cloth and was decorated with an engagement picture of the couple, a guest registry book, programs for the ceremony and a fresh floral arrangement. Sarah Briscoe of Brownfield, friend of the bride, registered the guests.

The reception was held in Webber Hall at the church following the ceremony.

The bride's cake was a four-tier confection with white basket weave icing. The two bottom layers were placed together and separated from the next layers by pillars. The tiers were decorated with icing roses, tulips, stephanotis, orchids and greenery. Punch, mints, and a fresh floral arrangement also were placed on the bride's table.

The groom's table resembled a golf course. The three-dimensional golf ball was placed in the center and was surrounded by water and a sand trap. The floral arrangement was placed in a golf ball vase, which matched the theme of the table. Coffee and nuts also were placed on the groom's table. Finger goods were served at the reception.

A gift table was decorated with white tulle and bows. A hurricane votive with pale yellow candles decorated with fresh flowers and greenery was the centerpiece of the table. Baby pictures of the bride and groom, the bridal portrait and bubbles were placed on the table.

The couple left the church in a golf cart decorated with white tulle and bows. The couple went on a cruise to the western Caribbean for their honeymoon. They will make their home in Lubbock.

Breast Cancer Screening Will Be Held August 24

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Aug. 25--Follett Scrimmage

Lefors 5:00 p.m.

Sept. 1--Wellman Scrimmage

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