

## All Around The Town

By Mary Ann Sarchet

The menu for Tri-County Meals for next week includes:

Monday, August 15-Hamburger Steak, Gravy, Corn, Sweet Peas, Roll, Jello, Milk

Wednesday, August 17-Chicken and Rice, Carrots, Asparagus, Roll, Milk, Cake

Friday, August 19-Barbecue on a Bun, Potato Salad, Pinto Beans, Cobbler

Menu subject to change without notice.

The telephone number for Tri-County Meals at the Hope Center is 455-1053.

Gifts to Tri-County Meals can be sent to Box 421, Quitaque, TX 79255.

Lots of people were snapping and cooking green beans last Friday after a semi-truckload of the perishable cargo overturned and spilled along Highway 256 northeast of Silverton. Some "Good Samaritans" in the highway department and others scooped up the beans and distributed them to those who wanted them.

Scheduled to entertain beneath the Courthouse shelter Saturday, beginning immediately following the parade are:

Talent Showcase: Yance Forbes, Janice Hill, Oleta Randell, Ronnie Hester, Maebelle Francis, accompanied by musicians Lucy Dean Record, Louis Randell and John Francis.

Following the barbecue lunch will be two hours of country and western swing music featuring Rick and Brenda Sudduth of Canyon, and Country Sounds featuring Betty McPherson, Lucy Dean Record, Louis Randell, Bennie Brown, John Francis and Jim Burson, lead vocalist.

Do you have a free hour or two that you would like to fill? Come volunteer at the school.

Silverton School has a need for volunteers to help out in the library, and to copy papers, laminate, etc. for the teachers. No experience is necessary. The school will be glad to train you.

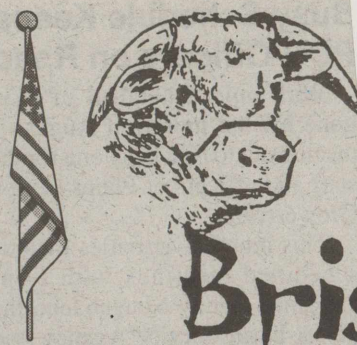
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*If you take too long deciding what to do with your life, you'll find out you've done it.*

George Bernard Shaw

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# Briscoe County News

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Mr. and Mrs. Jake Merrell

## Mr. and Mrs. Jake Merrell Are Pioneer Couple of the Day

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Merrell of Quitaque have been selected as the Pioneer Couple of the Day during Briscoe County's 113th birthday celebration August 12-13. They will be featured in the parade through downtown Silverton Saturday, August 13, beginning at 10:30 a.m., and will receive a plaque commemorating the occasion from the Silverton Chamber of Commerce.

Jake Merrell was born at the family home south of Quitaque in Floyd County in 1922 and attended high school in Quitaque. He drove a gravel truck and was employed at the Roberson Grocery following his graduation.

Jo Mae Smith was born in Hall County, graduated from high school at Memphis, received her degree from North Texas State University in Denton, and came to teach in Quitaque in 1940.

When Jake was young, he lived at Grey Mule on this side of the tunnel on the Merrell Ranch. In 1933 people made the biggest cotton crop ever. The following year, 1934, was a bad year. Even though you had a car, you couldn't buy the gas even though it was only 5-8 cents a gallon.

When Jo Mae came to Quitaque to teach, Jake was in her class as a senior. "Even though some were older and bigger than her," Jake said, "nobody ever put anything over on her!"

They married in 1942, and Jake joined the Coast Guard. After attending the Coast Guard Academy in Groton, Connecticut, he was stationed aboard the USS Reading, a destroyer escort ship in the Atlantic. Later Jake was sent to guard the coast near Mobile, Alabama. One day Mr. Schied, the school superintendent, told Jo Mae he had a telegram for her. She knew that when a telegram was sent in those days, it had to be bad news. The telegram read, "Come immediately. Jake Merrell desperately ill. We've operated on his arm. Mobile Alabama Naval Hospital." Jo Mae assumed he had lost his arm. Mr. Schied told her to go and tell Mr. and Mrs. Merrell and offered her his car to go see about Jake, but she told him she had a good car. He did offer to get her more ration stamps for gas. (During the war, gas was rationed. People were issued only so many stamps to buy gas, sugar, tires and other items.)

See Pioneers--  
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## County Birthday Celebration is August 12-13 in Silverton This Year

The Rodeo and Briscoe County's 113th birthday celebration will be held in Silverton August 12-13, 2005. The Open TCRA UPRA begins at 8:00 p.m. each day.

There will be a youth calf scramble, sheep riding and steer riding each night, with the sheep and steers limited to 10 per night. Call 823-2374 Tuesday, August 9, to enter.

To enter the rodeo events, call 580-646-3590 August 8 between 6:00 and 11:00 p.m.

The barbecue will be served on the town square (weather permit-

ting) beginning at 12:30 p.m. Saturday. This will be catered by Desperados. Tickets are on sale now at City Hall for \$7.00 each.

A barbecue grill, gun, two county afghans and quilt will be given away on Saturday night of the Rodeo.

Dances Friday and Saturday nights will be sponsored by Silverton Fire Department and Briscoe County Activities Association. Friday night's music will be by DJ Jeff Smith. Saturday night, the band providing music will be Denim & Lace from 9:00 until 1:00 a.m.

## School Set to Open Here August 18

Teacher workdays and inservice days are to begin here Friday, August 12, with classes scheduled to begin on Thursday, August 18.

Holidays are scheduled September 5, November 24-25, December 19-30, February 13, and March 13-17. Weather make-up days are planned April 14 and May 26.

The first semester ends January 6 and the second semester ends May 25.

Graduation will be May 26, 2006.

Faculty assignments are complete, and include:

Rhonda Smith-pre-K/reading; Cindy Comer, kindergarten; Shana Strange, first grade; Kim Mayfield, second grade; Tina Nance, third grade; Nancy Young, fourth grade; Jamie Scarborough, fifth grade; Juannah Jennings, sixth grade; Dixie Johnson, alpha phonics.

Jane Self, seventh-eighth grades; Paula Garvin, resource.

Bryan Burson, ag science; Mike Bigham, girls' BB and football; Ryan Dykes, boys BB and athletic director; Colleen Reed, business and comp; Joni Bomar, English; Dianne Reynolds, E.S.L.; Patsy Towe, homemaking and counselor; Betty Tiffin, high school history; Michelle Francis, math; Jeremy Holt, science/athletics; Laura Long, Spanish/tech.; Shelley Brock, librarian/PE; Robin Boedeker, music; Region 16, busi-

ness manager.

Lana Burson, nurse/science; Sheryl Weaver, principal; Missy Forbes, principal's secretary; Jerry Birdsong, superintendent; Ramona Martin, superintendent's secretary.

Teacher aides will be Mary Lane Younger, Donna Estes, Estella Juarez, Dorothy Martin and Ruby Lee.

Cafeteria workers will be Amber Hall, Bertha Perez, Lydia Segura and Betty Hall.

Maintenance personnel will be Mike Juarez and Connie Patino.

## Immunization Clinic is Aug. 25

An immunization clinic offering vaccines that give protection against childhood diseases is scheduled from 12:30 until 2:00 p.m. August 25 at the Silverton School.

## Homemade Pie, Cold Watermelon To Be on Sale

Duane and Shirley Reynolds will be selling homemade pecan pie a la mode and cold watermelon slices on the courthouse square during the celebration Friday and Saturday.

A seed-spitting contest will be held at 3:00 p.m. each day.

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**Briscoe Officials Prepare For Help America Vote Act (HAVA)**

Briscoe County Commissioners Court met in regular session July 11, 2005. Present for the meeting were County Judge Wayne Nance, County Commissioners Terry Grimland, Precinct 1; Danny Maynard, Precinct 2; Gary Weaks, Precinct 4; County Clerk Bena Hester and guests Bryn and Gid Mayfield. After attending to regular monthly court business, the following items were addressed:

- A motion to allow Bena Hester, County & District Clerk, to secure a contract with Election Systems & Software, for the

Ivotronic Voting Machines and Software, with the stipulation that the court will inspect the contract before the final order is placed, passed with a 3-0 vote.

*(On October 24, 2002 President Bush signed HR 3295-Help America Vote Act (HAVA). By 1/1/2006 the state and counties must work from a single, centralized, unique statewide voter registration list. Additional information will be required on the voter registration application beginning January 2004. Also by 1/1/2006 each polling place in the state must have at*

*least one accessible voting system per polling place.)*

- A motion to set the 2005 Road and Bridge fee at \$10.00 per vehicle registration was passed by a 3-0 vote.

- A motion to sign Resolution #03-05 which authorizes the county judge to act upon the county's behalf to participate in the cost-share program for the TxDOT Project located on Highway 70. Briscoe County's 10% share to purchase the easement will be appropriated out of Courthouse Maintenance and Repair, passed by a 3-0 vote.

**Notice to Contractors of Proposed Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) Contracts**

Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.

**CONSTRUCTION/ MAINTENANCE/ BUILDING FACILITIES CONTRACT(S)**

Dist/Div: Childress  
 Contract 0032-03-036 for Districtwide Seal Coat in Cottle County, etc: will be opened on September 8, 2005, at 1:00 p.m. at the State Office.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at [www.dot.state.tx.us](http://www.dot.state.tx.us) and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.  
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Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TxDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin.

**Busy Schedule Keeps PCG Officers on Road**

With only a handful of days gone by, the month of August is turning out to be a busy one for the staff and officers of Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.

This month's activities include scheduled meetings with Congressman Randy Neugebauer, the Texas Farm Service Agency and the USDA Risk Management Agency.

Topics of discussion with Congressman Neugebauer include the ongoing FY06 Budget reconciliation process, potential impact of the DR-CAFTA trade bill and the recently-passed Energy Bill.

Texas FSA Executive Director John Fuston will meet with PCG and representatives from other Texas commodity groups at the PCG office on August 19 to discuss a number of issues facing the agency in Texas in the future.

August 23, the PCG Executive Committee will be meeting with the USDA Risk Management Agency to discuss a recently-completed study of cotton skip-row provisions.

The PCG-RMA meeting will provide PCG an opportunity to gain a better understanding of what the RMA study found in regard to current skip-row provisions and help create a foundation upon which PCG can work with the agency as it determines what, if any, changes may be warranted in the future.

Also on PCG's August calendar are this week's American Cotton

- Jay Phershing from Archtexas visited with the court about courthouse restoration and preservation. No action was taken at this time.

**Upcoming Meetings**

Second Monday of each month-County Commissioners meet at 10:00 a.m. in the County Courtroom; City Council meets at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall

Second Tuesday of each month-Silverton Chamber of Commerce, 7:00 p.m., Pioneer Room at City Bank-Silverton; Silverton School Board, boardroom, 8:00 p.m.

First and third Thursdays of each month-Silverton Fire Department, 7:00 p.m., City Hall

Fourth Thursday of each month-Briscoe County Activities Association, 7:00 p.m., Showbarn in Silverton

**WEATHER**

Recorded at 6:00 a.m.  
 During August 2005

	High	Low	Precip.
1	91	61	
2	94	60	
3	93	61	
4	93	62	
5	90	64	
6	80	60	
7	86	60	
8	83	63	.19
9	88	62	

Total August Precipitation	.19
Normal August Precip.	2.64
Normal Precip. to date	15.59
Precip. Rec'd. to date	15.87

Producers meeting in New Orleans, a joint Cotton Incorporated/Cotton Board meeting in Dallas, the National Cotton Council's Mid-year Board of Directors meeting in San Diego, and a Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation Trapping Committee meeting.

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 It can buy a good life but not eternal life.

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## LOOKING BACK

through the files of the  
Briscoe County News

**July 18, 1996**-Caprock Cowboy Camp Meeting will begin here Thursday, July 25... Bill, DeLane and Ashley Smith are Silverton's newest residents. They recently moved here from Lubbock... BCAA to give away saddle and blanket... Anthony Gamble and Jon Ivory of the Silverton FFA chapter received the Lone Star Farmer Degree at the 68th annual Texas FFA Convention held July 8-11 in Houston... Conrad Alexander, 80, taken by death... Doleta Boyce enjoyed greeting 104 relatives and friends who came to extend their best wishes on the occasion of her ninetieth birthday anniversary during a reception Sunday afternoon in the Pioneer Room at First State Bank in Silverton... The Pioneer Room at First State Bank in Silverton was the setting for a wedding shower honoring Donna Rowell and her fiancé, Delton Cleveland, of Lubbock...

**July 31, 1986**-Larry Lee Ray, 40, of Happy drowned about 1:45 p.m. Saturday in Lake Mackenzie as his wife and son watched from the shore. Ray was swimming with his wife, two children and a brother in 12 feet of water near the mouth of Tule Creek. According to witnesses, Ray, who did not know how to swim, apparently stepped off into deep water, disappeared, and did not return to the surface. This was the lake's fourth drowning, and was the first since July 1984... Donations needed to rent tent for celebration... Perry Thomas entered St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo Sunday, and underwent hip surgery Monday afternoon... Stormy LaNell Brannon to be honored at baby shower... Mike and Valrie Graham are parents of a daughter, Kallie Nicole... Carver Monroe was honored with a birthday supper in the home of his daughter and family, Mary and Louie Strange, Dwain and Darrell in Kress...

**July 29, 1976**-Lake McClellan was the scene for the annual Silverton Young Farmer camp-out. Skiing, boating, lawn darts, washers, cards and lots of food were enjoyed by Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hill, Bailey Loyd, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Herrington, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Stephens, Larry, Stephen, Jeannita and Scott Thornton, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Baird, Kerry and Kori, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Chappell, Stacy, Cynthia, Donna and Able Asebedo, Fred Brannon, Orville

Turner and Calvin Shelton. The noon meal on Sunday consisted of grilled pork chops, steak, baked potatoes, baked onions and salad... Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Hutsell quietly observed their fifty-seventh wedding anniversary at their home Tuesday... A party in honor of the eightieth birthday anniversary of Mrs. Tressa (Granny) Lewis was held Saturday, July 24, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alva C. Jasper... Miss June Moosberg has returned from a two-week trip to Scandanavia, and has been here packing her personal belongings and moving them to her new apartment in Lockney. She will teach history and government in the Lockney schools this fall... Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Self are parents of a son, Colby Dell, born July 21...

**August 4, 1966**-Donald Dee Weast, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Strange, and Johnnie Roy Weaver, son of Mr. and Mrs. Shafe Weaver, will be leaving today on the World Methodist Student Tour which will take them to Paris, France via New York. Their tour will continue to Scotland and England... Linda Scott, daughter of Mrs. S. C. Grantham, underwent an appendectomy on Wednesday of last week in the Plainview hospital... Connie Dudley, Joni Self and Buddy Comer will be attending the Texas Farm Bureau Citizenship Seminar at Baylor University in Waco... Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Fanning, jr. and daughters of Goldsmith and Mrs. B. D. Fanning, sr. of Plainview have been recent visitors with Mrs. H. S. Crow... Mr. and Mrs. Lenton Lanham spent a recent weekend in Abilene and attended a Lanham-McMinn family reunion... Mr. and Mrs. John Boyles visited Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Rogers and family in Quitaque recently... Kori, five-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Deleath Peugh, has recently spent two-week visit with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Peugh and Kathy... Mrs. C. D. Kirk, Karen and Kelly of Huntsville, Alabama have been visitors with Mr. and Mrs. True Burson, Mr. and Mrs. Don Burson, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Peugh and family and Mrs. Jewel Kirk... Miss Kay Strange is shower honoree in the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Long... Mrs. J. H. Burson has been a patient in Swisher Memorial Hospital since Thursday... Clayton Fowler has recently undergone an appendectomy in the Lockney hospital...

**August 2, 1956**-Gerald Arnold has recently been employed by Jennings Farm Supply and will have charge of plumbing, heating, cooling installations and repairs... Buddy Comer spent last week with his cousins in the O. B. Fore home in Plainview... 4-H Club encampment to be held at Roaring Springs... Gulf Oil Corporation stakes wildcat in Briscoe County... J. J. Hall sells business building to Bert Grundy... Miss Patsy Jean Crass in Miss Texas Pageant in Lufkin... Miss Luree Burson underwent major surgery at Methodist Hospital in Lubbock Friday of last week... Pvt. Donald Bean left for Fort Monmouth, New Jersey on Wednesday of last week. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Bean, took him to Amarillo where he entrained... Mrs. Ruby Elliston underwent an operation for kidney stones at the Harris Hospital in Fort Worth on Sunday... Mrs. Clayton Wood and Jan of Dell City are visiting relatives here this week... Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Cagle and Patricia returned home on Tuesday of last week after an eleven-day vacation trip to California... Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Stephens to celebrate fiftieth wedding anniversary...

**July 30, 1936**-Dave Graves, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Graves, was born September 14, 1887 near Lockhart in Caldwell County. At the age of 14 years he went to Beaumont. In 1906 he was an oil driller and continued in that work until 1918. He was called to the World's War July 24, 1918 and served in France until August 3, 1919. Then he became a citizen of Hall County and Antelope Flat until January 1934 when he moved to Silverton. He was taken ill with pneumonia November 19, 1935. He was taken to the hospital at Albuquerque on January 17, 1936, where he stayed until death came to him Monday, July 30, 1936 at 8:10 a.m... Delise Blackwell left Friday on an excursion trip through Yellowstone Park and other places of interest with the geology class of Southwestern State at Weatherford, Oklahoma... Marvin Tull has sold new F-30 Farmalls to R. C. Hutsell, Earl Mercer, R. E. Brookshier, Beth Joiner, Sim Reeves, Tom Bomar and Jim Brooks... Miss Mary Eva Allard and Mr. Reese Morgan Garvin were united in marriage last Friday afternoon at Plainview... Henry Rowden, Wade Welch and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Piercy of the JA Ranch were in Silverton Saturday... Mrs. Roy McMurry, Dorothy Roy, Roberta and small son returned to their home after an extended trip Wednesday evening... A. A. Peacock is pastor of the Methodist Church here...

**August 6, 1936**-Charlie Chaplin makes comeback to pictures...

Revival meeting to be held at Haylake school Sunday night... Mrs. H. Henderson was seriously hurt last Friday when the car in which she and her husband were riding collided with a truck driven by Lenton Lanham. The accident occurred four miles south of town... J. R. Burson and son, Todd Edd, were in town Tuesday on business... H. M. (Boots) Bryant, formerly of Lockney, purchased half interest in the Silverton Gin here this week... Editor Roy Hahn wrote: "Whiteside is somewhat disgruntled because Sally Rand did not recognize him and call him by name. He says, 'Boy, I'm telling ya--those were the dimmest lights I ever saw'... Frank Havran, who is a mighty good cleaner and presser (he presses everything and anyone within reach) says he is getting mighty tired of never seeing his Briscoe County News. Most every week, he says, someone borrows his paper and he never gets it back. What about fixing up a few new subscribers for me, Frank?..." George Kirk and daughter, Doris, were in Lubbock over the weekend visiting friends and transacting business... Mrs. Theron Crass has returned home from the hospital at Plainview... Little Shirley Haynes has been seriously ill for several days...

## Silverton School Lunch Menu

Thursday, August 18-Steak Fingers, Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Jelly, Bread, Butter, Milk  
Friday, August 19-Hamburger, Cheese, Chips, Salad, Fruit, Milk

## Silverton School Activities

Friday, August 12-Teacher Workday, 9:00-4:00  
Saturday, August 13-Briscoe County Birthday Celebration  
Monday, August 15-Teacher Inservice, 9:00-4:00 (Pot Luck Lunch); Employee Hamburger Supper, 7:00  
Tuesday, August 16-Teacher Workday, 9:00-4:00  
Wednesday, August 17-Teacher Inservice in Amarillo  
Thursday, August 18-First Day of School  
Friday, August 19-Owls Scrimmage with Trinity Fellowship, there, 5:00

*He who fights against monsters should see to it that he does not become a monster in the process. And when you stare persistently into an abyss, the abyss also stares into you.* Friedrich Nietzsche

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## Cherry-Hacker Vows Exchanged in Church Ceremony Here on July 30

Chelsey Jo Cherry of Silverton and Jordan Daniel Hacker of Tulia were married Saturday, July 30, at the First Baptist Church in Silverton.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Doug Cherry of Silverton. Grandparents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Jack Loring of Amarillo, who attended the wedding.

Groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Greg Hacker of Tulia. Grandparents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Charles McCaslin of Tulia and Mr. and Mrs. Morris Hacker of Hereford, all of whom attended the wedding.

Maid of honor was Amanda Estes of Lubbock. Matron of honor was Genie Cherry of Amarillo. Bridal attendants were Jackelyn Mote of Delta, Colorado, Sarah

Hacker of Tulia, Cherese Kinser of Canyon and Lindsey Hacker of Tulia.

Best men were Jamin Hacker and Chris Gibson, both of Tulia. Groomsmen were Jack Cherry of Amarillo, Brad Boman of Borger, Daniel Kinser of Canyon and Tim Tollentino of Tulia.

Candles were lighted by Kassie Strange of San Angelo and Jessica Stark of Canyon. Julie Mote of Delta, Colorado registered the guests.

Flower girls were Hannah Neal of Amarillo and Zoe Grace Barnes of Lubbock. Ringbearer was Mark Hacker of Tulia.

Colors featured at the wedding were shades of pink with lime green accents.

The bride carried a nosegay of light and dark pink roses, white

stephanotis, white French tulips, all accented with lime green coffee bean with a pink ribbon tied around the stems with a heart-shaped crystal attached to the ribbon. The bridal attendants carried similar nosegays.

The bride wore a gown that was fashioned of dusted true white bridal satin. It featured a strapless boat neck bodice with princess lines and an A-line skirt. Crystal beading and sequins on brocade cutwork underlaid with tulle formed a band that encircled the entire top of the bodice. The same beaded cutwork was repeated in a wide pattern around the hem and cascaded down the center back of the chapel-length train. To carry out bridal tradition of something borrowed, her waist-length veil of illusion was attached to a crystal beaded tiara borrowed from her sister-in-law, Genie Cherry. The veil was studded with a random pattern of swarovski crystals. For

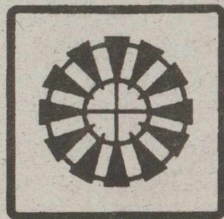


Mrs. Jordan Daniel Hacker

## Come help us Celebrate Briscoe County's 113th Birthday, August 12 & 13, in Silverton



Street Scene in Silverton, December 22, 1908



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something old the bride wore an antique rhinestone bracelet of her grandmother's.

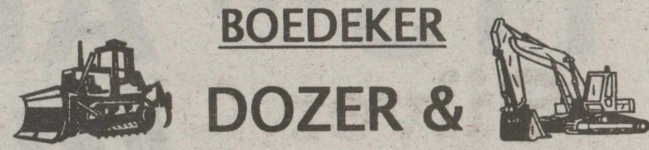
All of the bridal attendants wore tea-length gowns of dusted pink satin. A white band graced the top of the bodices and white petticoats of tulle peeked from beneath the hems.

The candlelighters wore full-length strapless gowns of pale pink satin. A layered band of pink chiffon adorned the top of the bodice and extended into flowing streamers down the center back.

The groom, best men and groomsmen wore black coats and pants with light pink shirts. The ringbearer wore a white tuxedo with a light pink vest and bow tie.

Sam Brown of Plainview played the piano and Jared Hon, a Wayland Baptist University student, played the trumpet. Special music was performed for the ceremony with a solo by Kassidi Smith of Boise City, Oklahoma.

The church sanctuary was decorated with hanging greenery and pink ribbon on the pews with pink pomander balls as aisle markers for the parents' row. Two heart-shaped candelabra stood in the choir loft along with one fan candelabra in the center. Two large silk flower arrangements placed on white columns flanked the altar. Hurricane glasses with pink candles and  
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## Lawn Mower Pull, Races Planned

Silverton will have Lawn Mower Pulls and Races Saturday, August 13, beginning at 2:00 p.m. one block south of the old John Deere house.

Prizes will be given for first and second places in each category (along with bragging rights). Clean family fun!

One entry fee will put you in one or both events. Cost of entry determined by number of contestants. Cost will be minimal.

There must be no decks on the mowers.

*I am more afraid of an army of 100 sheep led by a lion than an army of 100 lions led by a sheep.*  
Talleyrand

*You must do the very thing you think you cannot do.*

Eleanor Roosevelt

## Two Afghans To Be Given Away Saturday

Briscoe County 4-H will give away two Briscoe County afghans during the County Celebration. Proceeds from this fundraiser will be donated to the Show Barn fund. The club uses the show barn for many of their projects, dances, stock shows and this will help with the much-needed upkeep of the building.

## Topless Car Wash

Please help support the high school cheerleaders at a Topless Car Wash Thursday, August 11, beginning at 9:00 a.m. at the Briscoe County Courthouse.

("Free Car Wash - Top washed with a donation.")

*Good judgement comes from experience. Experience comes from bad judgement.*

Jim Horning

## Commissioners Appoint Election Judges During Special Session

Briscoe County Commissioners Court met in special session July 22, 2005. Present were County Judge Wayne Nance; County Commissioners Terry Grimland, Precinct 1, Danny Maynard, Precinct 2, Gary Weeks, Precinct 4, and Larry Comer, Precinct 3; County Clerk Bena Hester and guest Dianne Washington, CPA.

Items on the agenda included:  
•A motion to approve the 2003-04 audit report as presented by Diane Washington, CPA, was passed by a 4-0 vote.

•A motion to sign the amended #08-04 HAVA Grant Resolution did not have the Financial Officer's signature; passed by a 4-0 vote.

•A motion to sign Resolution #04-05 which adopts the National Incident Management System (NIMS) as the Standard for Incident

Management passed by a 4-0 vote.

•A motion to appoint the following election judges and alternates passed by a 4-0 vote:

Precinct 1-Sally Grimland, election judge; Alton Riddell, alternate judge

Precinct 2-Donna Hamilton, election judge; Maria Merrell, alternate judge

Precinct 3-Deborah Holt, election judge; Paula Montague, alternate judge

Precinct 4-Trena Burson, election judge; Jonetta Ziegler, alternate judge

Precinct 6-Ann Chadwick, election judge; Arnold Castillo, alternate judge

Early voting-Linda Vernon, election judge; Kathy Kingery, alternate judge

•A motion to sign a waiver of the 10% Resolution #05-05 with TxDOT on an "Equivalent-Match project" to repair the bridge located at Tributary of Los Lingos Creek on County Road DD passed by a 4-0 vote.

## County Producers Meeting is August 16

The Briscoe County Summer Producers Meeting will be held August 16, 2005, in the Pioneer Room of City Bank-Silverton with lunch sponsored by Johnson's Gin.

Lunch begins at 12:00, at which time Dr. Randy Bowman will speak on "Use of Cotton Crop Harvest Aids"

At 1:00 p.m. Dr. Brent Bean's topic will be "Wheat Variety Selection and Wheatfield Weeds and Pests."

David Hawkins will follow at 2:00 p.m. on the subject, "Sprayer Calibration, and New Laws and Regs. for Pesticide Application."

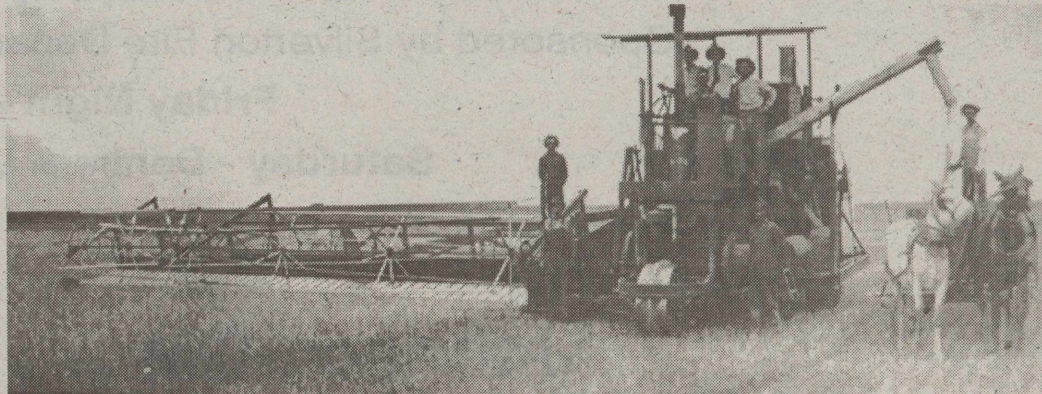
At 4:00 p.m. Dr. Carl Patrick will discuss "Identification of Corn, Cotton and Grain Sorghum Pests."

Five CEUs will be given, two IPM, one Drift, one Laws and Regs, and one General.

•A motion to approve the bond of Mike Norris, Deputy Sheriff, passed by a 4-0 vote.

# Briscoe County's 113 Year Celebration

## August 12th & 13th



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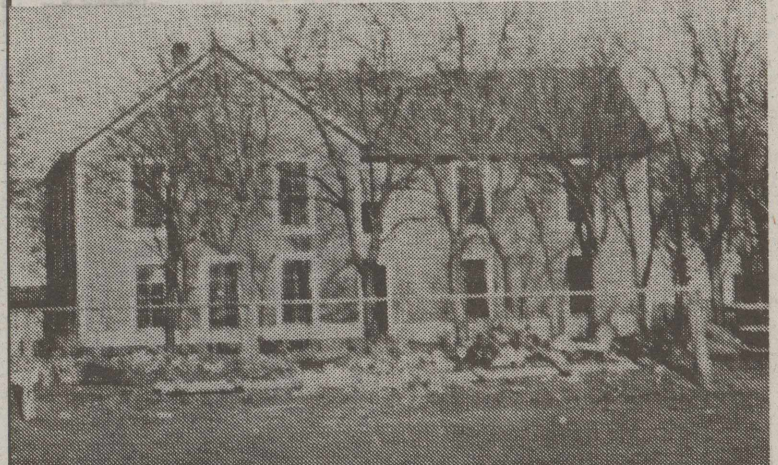
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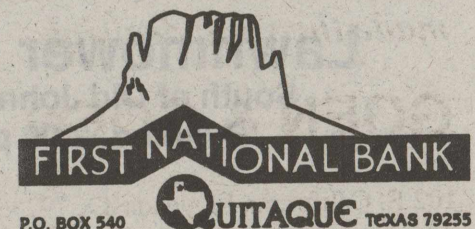
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## Celebrating Briscoe County's 113th Year, August 12-13



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**Downtown Silverton  
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**Parade, 10:30 a.m.**

**Barbecue, 12:30 p.m.**

**Entertainment  
Under Shelter**



**Lawnmower Races**  
South of Old John Deere  
Building, 2:00 p.m.

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**CELEBRATION**

**August 12-14**

**Wood Memorial Arena, Silverton**

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**Saturday Night Party**

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Saturday - Denim & Lace Band, 9:00 p.m.

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**Downtown Silverton  
Saturday**

# **CELEBRATION**

**Arts & Crafts**

**12-13, 2005**

**Food and Game Booths**

**Arena, Silverton, Texas**

**Western Rodeo Company of Lubbock, Texas**

**Rodeo Begins at 8:00 p.m.**

**Live Music Performance**

**Prizes and Quilt To Be Given Away**

**Cow Pattie Bingo**

**Friday & Saturday Nights**

**Department & Briscoe County Activities Association**

**- DJ Dance by Jeff Smith**

**Live Music Band, 9:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m.**



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## Pioneers--

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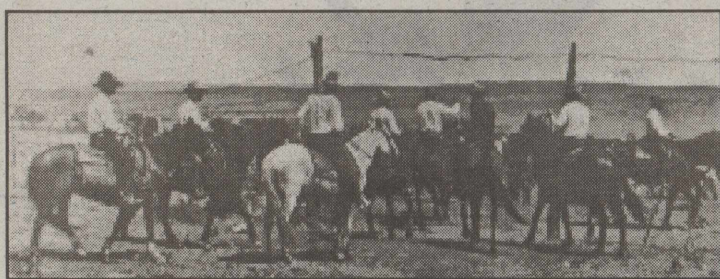
Orleans and arrived in Mobile about midnight." She found the hospital easily and ran right to the emergency room. There were people sitting and lying everywhere, sick, hurt and even drunk. She thought, "If Jake is in here, he'll die!" Finally she got to the desk and was told she was at City-County Hospital. The military hospital was across the street. Finding Jake easily in a very nice hospital, she went to his room, preparing to see him with only one arm. She was surprised to find there were two! They told her he had gotten blood poisoning and was about to lose his arm. They operated on it, but did not know if he was going to make it. Today he sports a long scar on his right arm, having overcome tetanus. Jake said the people in charge did not believe him when he said he was really hurt, so he had to go AWOL to the hospital. He was 65 miles from the hospital, and he hitch-hiked all the way.

Upon being discharged in December 1945, he returned home to Quitaque and Jo Mae. He bought the Lay Grocery Store and the next two decades were very busy ones for the Merrell family. Jake said you used to be able to buy Post Toasties (corn flakes) six boxes for 25 cents. When he bought the store, grocery prices were frozen for several years. "If you varied from these charges, you were penalized pretty badly." Bread was 9-10 cents a loaf. "The 19 cent items

then now sell for \$3 or more," Jake said. "It's terrible; I can't believe it," he said. "The highest price paid for round steak was 69-79 cents a pound. At times, we cut up T-bones for hamburger, because hamburger was what most folks bought, Hamburger never sold for over 39 cents a pound and that was a big price." They raised and butchered their own cattle and hogs. "We did well and made money," Jake said.

Jake was proud to have one of his sons, Warren Lee, the eldest child born in 1947, buy Merrell Food Store, a family business. Warren Lee has three children, Wayne, Clay and P.J. His wife is Maria. In 1952, Jake and Jo Mae welcomed a daughter, Jo Beth, who became a medical technologist. She married Danny Gardner and had two children, Molly and Colby. She worked in a laboratory at St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo. She died two years ago with liver cancer. The Merrell family welcomed their last son in 1952 and named him Jerry. He is an oral surgeon with offices in Odessa and Midland. He and his wife, Marsha, have two children, Jennifer and David.

In 1959 they built a new store at its present location and Jo Mae received her master of business arts at West Texas State University. Jake served as mayor of Quitaque from 1968-1988. Though Jake retired from the store, he continued to farm and raise cattle. Jo Mae retired after teaching at the Valley School for 35 years. Now they live the quiet relaxed life in Quitaque and enjoy their family.



It's round-up time at the Double Gates, East of Silverton, Texas, in the Spring of 1898.

Come by for a visit while you're in town to attend Briscoe County's 113th Birthday Celebration!

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## Texas Education Agency Issues Accountability Ratings to Schools

Many Panhandle school districts saw their accountability ratings dip in 2005, according to data from the Texas Education Agency.

Educators say difficult math and science Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills tests, combined with tougher test standards, caused the drops.

The trend also held true for much of the state.

TEA officials assign an accountability rating each year to every Texas school district and campus by analyzing TAKS scores, graduation rates and more.

TEA released the latest round of ratings last week.

Schools and districts are rated "exemplary," "recognized," "academically acceptable" or "academically unacceptable."

Claude Independent School District saw its rating drop from recognized to academically acceptable--a blow to district teachers and students, Superintendent Bill Wood said.

"Kid-wise, they're not the ones who are looking at it. But staff, teachers, principals--it's a hard whammy," Wood said.

On the campus level, Claude Elementary dropped from exemplary to academically acceptable, he said.

The reason? Low scores on the fifth-grade science TAKS test, Wood said.

"We've got 90s or above in everything except that one subject," he said.

The Spearman Independent

School District also dropped from recognized to academically acceptable.

"We're disappointed," Superintendent Rodney Sumner said.

He said the district has not been rated as low as acceptable in more than 10 years.

Junior high and high school math gave students the most trouble, he said.

But not every Panhandle district dropped a rating in 2005; many maintained last year's rating and some even made gains.

Two Panhandle districts were named exemplary: Walcott ISD and Nazareth ISD.

Only nine districts statewide were named exemplary.

"We shoot for that every year. We firmly believe in bringing all kids to the top," said Nazareth Superintendent Marshall Harrison. "Our community supports the school, and it's evident in our results."

Silverton ISD maintained its recognized status.

Ratings of other schools in this area included:

Groom ISD, recognized; Happy ISD, recognized; Kress ISD, academically acceptable; Lazbuddie ISD, academically acceptable; Lefors ISD, academically acceptable; McLean, academically acceptable; Memphis ISD, academically acceptable; Miami ISD, recognized; Samnorwood ISD, academically acceptable; Tulia ISD, academically acceptable; Turkey-

## From the Patio

by Nina Martin

August 4 Dana and Dorothy Martin had Kami and Kamron Cook, Kay Cook, Brian and Mayson Martin this weekend. Kay is Kami's mother-in-law. She lives in Virginia. It was her trip to Texas.

The quilters this week were Wanda Strange, Ann Norris, Laverne Stephens, Christene King, Rose Mary Perkins, Sybil King, Joy Stodghill and Nina Martin.

Don't forget about our projects (quilt giveaway and homemade bonnets) that will be at the celebration. Some of the bonnets can turn into an apron.

## Home Ideas

(NAPS)--Acidic soil with low pH, or sour soil, is not conducive to healthy plant growth. If tests show your soil is acidic, consider using hydrated lime. According to Dave Jackson of Oldcastle, the lime helps neutralize acid in the soil and helps make nutrients more available. It also helps detoxify naturally occurring elements such as aluminum that are often found in soil. For more information, visit [www.yardright.com](http://www.yardright.com).

Homeowners who are looking for ideas to personalize their home may want to check out Wood Beautiful®, a free magazine from the Minwax Company. The magazine can be obtained by visiting [minwax.com](http://minwax.com).

Quitaque ISD, academically acceptable; Wellington ISD, academically acceptable; Wheeler ISD, academically acceptable.

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## Happy Birthday- High Plains Crop Is Looking Good

August 11-Monty Wood, Brian McGavock, Michelle Stephens, Susano Netro

August 12-DeVonna Boyd, Mickey Smith, Bill Smith

August 13-Donny Burson, Mary Brown, Tammie Mae Edwards

August 14-Garrett Blake Turner, Jeff Tiffin, Jo Ann Reyes, Sylvia Hill, Gene Whitfill, Brian Paul Nistler

August 15-Zac McWilliams, Juannah Jennings, Julie Towe, Melannie Rose, Abbie Nicole Tipton, Nicole White, Lee Smith

August 16-Kendra Rhoderick, Brodie Speiser, Eric Neil Garcia

August 17-Linda Davis, Shirley Reynolds, Dax Gregg, Laverne Stephens, Jack McFall

With cotton crops blooming and looking good, irrigation and field activities are in full swing on the Texas High Plains.

Beneficial rain showers August 4 brought anywhere from a few tenths to more than 1.5 inches of much-needed moisture to a broad area of the High Plains including

### Happy Anniversary-

August 12-Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Burson

August 14-Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Stephens

August 15-Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bean, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Carthel

August 16-Mr. and Mrs. Rusty Whitfill

August 17-Mr. and Mrs. Dick Roehr

parts of Crosby, Dickens, Lubbock, Lynn, Dawson, Gaines and Yoakum counties.

This area, is in large part the region that missed out on the last round of rain showers that visited the region the last week of July.

With the weekend forecast

showing continued rain chances for much of the area, crop prospects continue to be favorable and keeps the region on track to produce what could well be the second largest crop ever, assuming it does not meet last year's production total.

Next week's USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) August Crop Production Report, scheduled to be released August 12, will confirm what many observers think they are seeing in High Plains fields so far.

## Silverton ISD Announces Policy For Free, Reduced-Price Meals

Silverton ISD has announced its policy for providing free and reduced-price meals for children served under the *National School Lunch Program*. Each school or the central office has a copy of the policy, which may be reviewed by any interested party.

The household size and income criteria identified below will be used to determine eligibility for free and reduced-price benefits. Children from households whose income is at or below the levels shown are eligible for free or reduced-price meals. Foster children who are the legal responsibility of a welfare agency or court may also be eligible for benefits regardless of the income of the household with whom they reside. Eligibility for the foster child is based on the child's income.

Application forms will be distributed to all households with a letter informing households of the availability of free and reduced-price meals for their children on the first day of school. Applications also are available at the principal's office in each school. To apply for free and reduced-price meals, households must fill out the application and return it to the school. Applications may be submitted anytime during the school year.

The information households provide on the application will be used for the purpose of determining eligibility and verification of data. Applications may be verified by the school officials at any time during the school year.

For school officials to determine eligibility for free and reduced-price benefits, households receiving food stamps or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) only have to list their child's name and food stamp or TANF case number. An adult household member must sign the application.

Households that do not list a food stamp or TANF case number must list the names of all household members, the amount and source of the income received by each household member, and the Social Security number of the adult household member who signs the application. If the adult who signs the application does not have a Social Security number, the household member must indicate that a Social Security number is not available by writing the word "None," "No Number," or some indication that the person does not have a Social Security number. The application must be signed by an adult household member.

Under the provisions of the free and reduced-price meal policy, Missy Forbes will review applications and determine eligibility. Parents or guardians dissatisfied with the ruling of the official may wish to discuss the decision with the reviewing official on an informal basis. Parents wishing to make a formal appeal for a hearing on the decision may make a request either orally or in writing to Superintendent Jerry Birdsong @ 823-2476.

If a household member becomes unemployed or if the household size increases, the household should contact the school. Such changes may make the children of the household eligible for benefits if the household's income falls at or below the levels shown.

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	FREE	REDUCED	FREE	REDUCED	FREE	REDUCED	FREE	REDUCED	FREE	REDUCED
1	\$12,441	\$17,705	\$1,037	\$1,476	\$519	\$738	\$479	\$681	\$240	\$341
2	\$16,679	\$23,736	\$1,390	\$1,978	\$695	\$989	\$642	\$913	\$321	\$457
3	\$20,917	\$29,767	\$1,744	\$2,481	\$872	\$1,241	\$805	\$1,145	\$403	\$573
4	\$25,155	\$35,798	\$2,097	\$2,984	\$1,049	\$1,492	\$968	\$1,377	\$484	\$689
5	\$29,393	\$41,829	\$2,450	\$3,486	\$1,225	\$1,743	\$1,131	\$1,609	\$566	\$805
6	\$33,631	\$47,860	\$2,803	\$3,989	\$1,402	\$1,995	\$1,294	\$1,841	\$647	\$921
7	\$37,869	\$53,891	\$3,156	\$4,491	\$1,578	\$2,246	\$1,457	\$2,073	\$729	\$1,037
8	\$42,107	\$59,922	\$3,509	\$4,994	\$1,755	\$2,497	\$1,620	\$2,305	\$810	\$1,153
9	\$46,345	\$65,953	\$3,863	\$5,497	\$1,932	\$2,749	\$1,783	\$2,537	\$892	\$1,269
10	\$50,583	\$71,984	\$4,217	\$6,000	\$2,109	\$3,001	\$1,946	\$2,769	\$974	\$1,385
11	\$54,821	\$78,015	\$4,571	\$6,503	\$2,286	\$3,253	\$2,109	\$3,001	\$1,056	\$1,501
12	\$59,059	\$84,046	\$4,925	\$7,006	\$2,463	\$3,505	\$2,272	\$3,233	\$1,138	\$1,617
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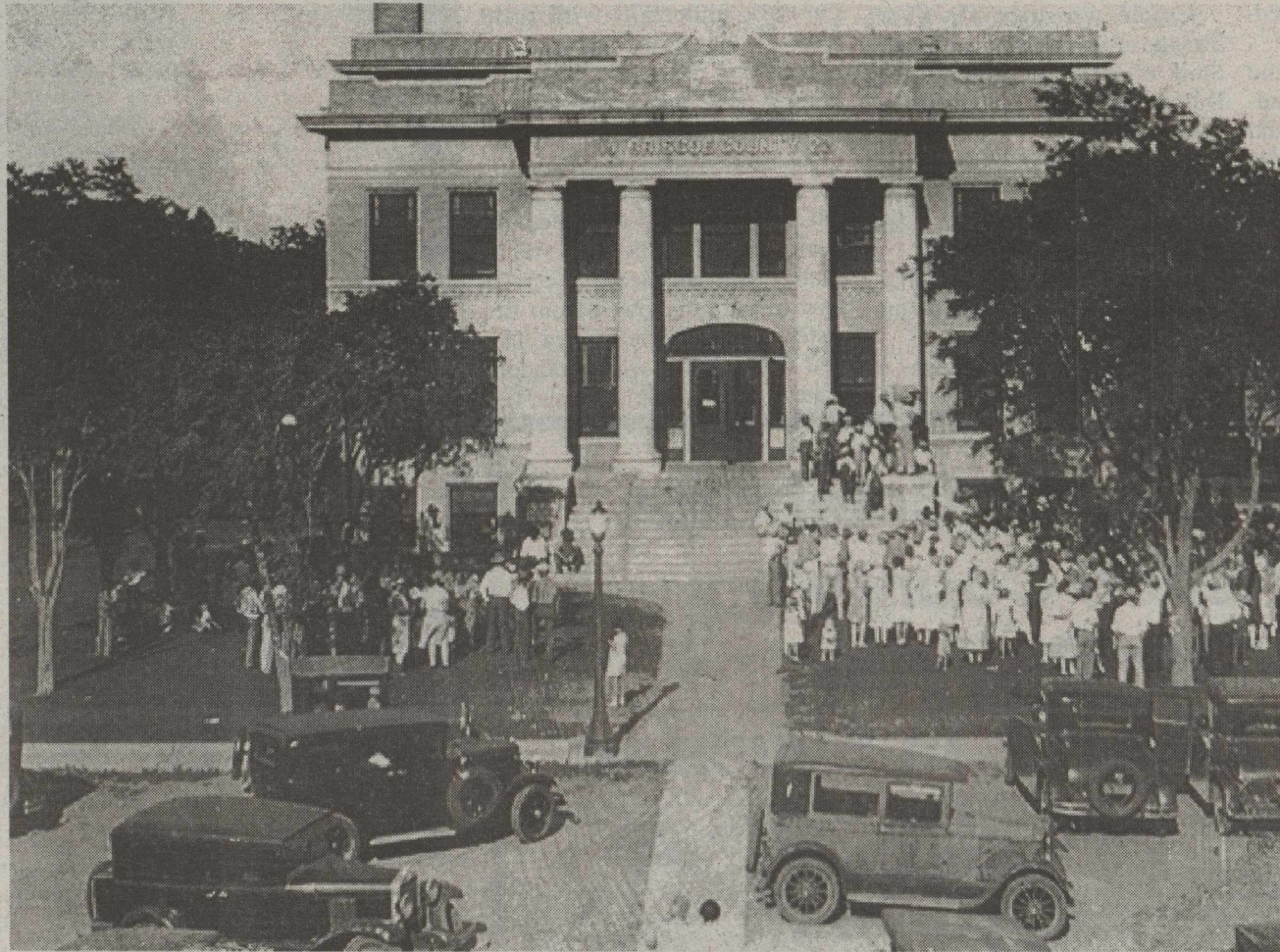
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# A Warm Welcome To BRISCOE COUNTY



Early-day picnics and celebrations were held at the Briscoe County Courthouse in days gone by, just as they are today.

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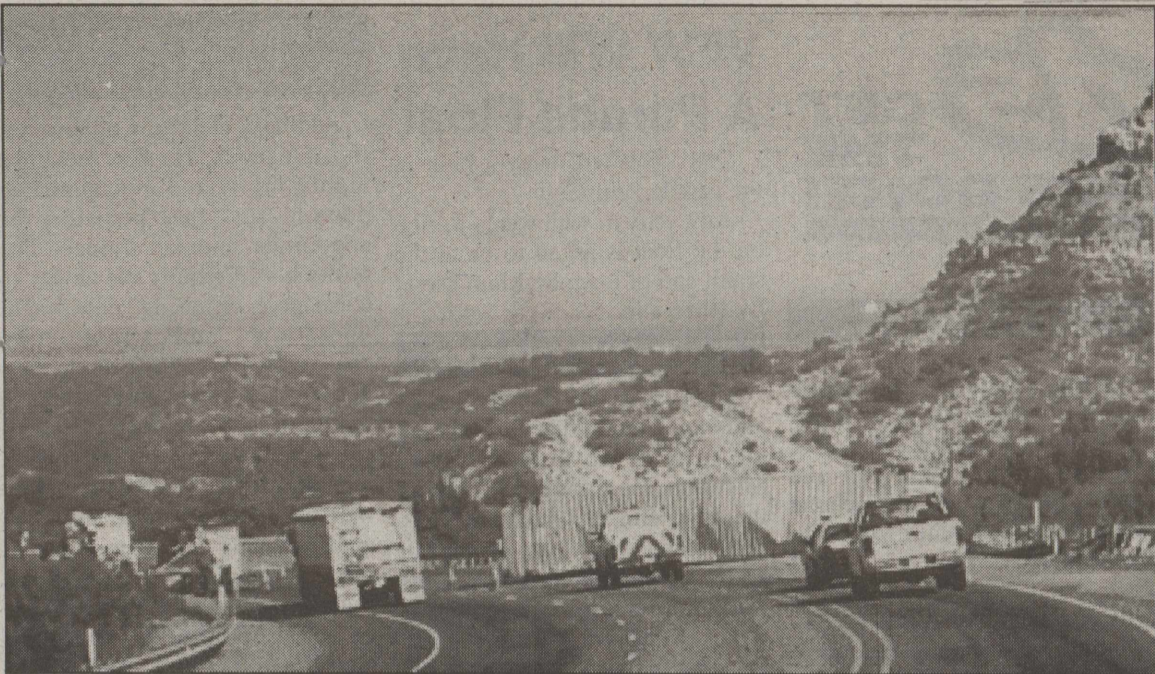
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# **113<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY**

# **MID-PLAINS**

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The caprock on Highway 86 was the scene of an eighteen wheeler rollover Friday of last week. Traffic had to proceed very carefully around the wreckage. *Briscoe County News Photo*



DPS Trooper Adam St.Clair and Chief Deputy Mike Norris watched as a wrecker prepared to right the tractor and framework of an eighteen wheeler at the scene of a rollover on Highway 86 last Friday. The truck was hauling cotton. The driver was taken to the hospital by ambulance. *Briscoe County News Photo*

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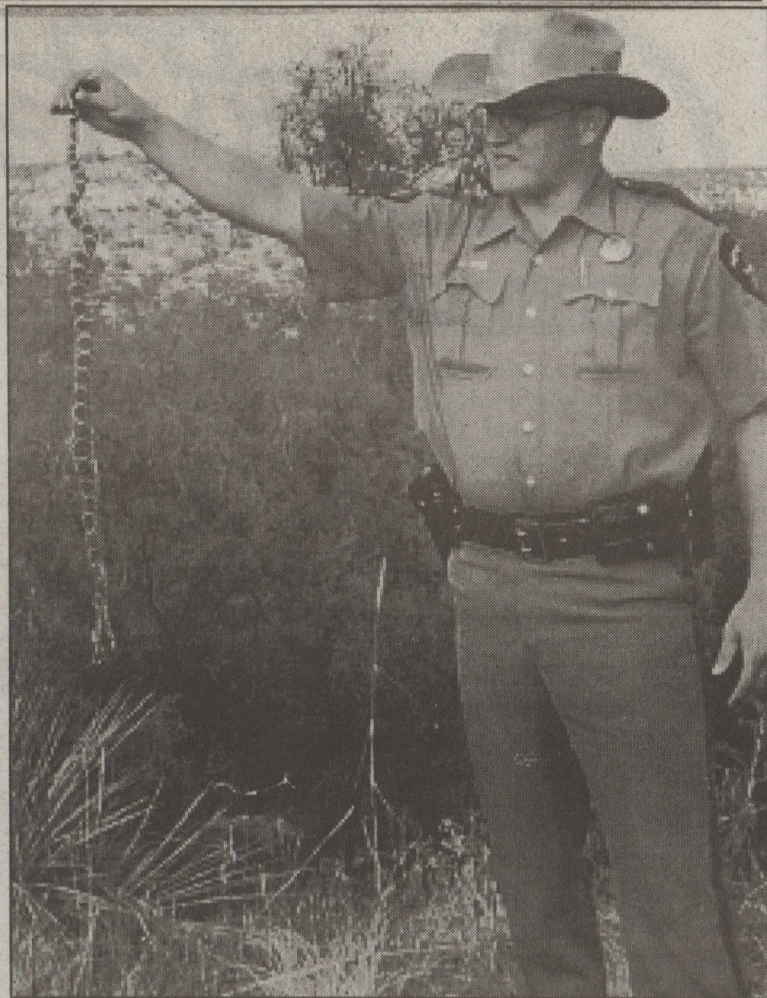
greenery were placed in each stained-glass window.

The wedding reception was held in the Pioneer Room at City Bank. Twelve tables were placed inside and outside of the building with white tablecloths. Each held a centerpiece of different shaped tall glass vases with dark pink gladiolas, pink roses, white French tulips, mini-lime green carnations and green myrtle. The main attraction was a white iron gazebo with heart shapes surrounding each side. The gazebo was dressed with clear lights and pink chiffon draped from the center top flowing down and tied to each side. Fresh carnations made in pomander balls hung from the top at different lengths. The four-layer white cake, made by Sheila Reagan with Special Occa-

sions, had pink icing accents decorated with fresh pink roses and heart-shaped crystals at each layer. The groom's cake was an Italian cream cake made by his mother. Placed on each side of the cake was a picture of the bride and also a shadow box made by the groom's mother that had a beautiful silver cross, a Bible scripture and a picture of the bride and groom inside it.

The punchbowl was placed on a circular floral base of spider mums, pink carnations with pink ribbon entwined throughout. A floral chandelier of the same was hung above the punchbowl with white candles inserted in the arrangement. A food table was surrounded by candles, flower arrangements of more white French tulips, pink roses and carnations. Served for the evening were various fruits with fruit dip, sliced veg-

etables with Ranch dressing dip, crackers with slices of cheese and



DPS Trooper Adam St.Clair was almost bitten by a rattlesnake Friday while he was working at the scene of an eighteen-wheeler rollover on Highway 86. He was standing on the highway-side of the guardrail, and the snake was on the outside of the guardrail--about two feet away. He killed the snake with a hoe he borrowed from the TxDOT crew. *Briscoe County News Photo*

cubed cheeses, shrimp cocktail on ice and brisket with mini-rolls.

Silver shaped heart boxes tied with pink ribbon were handed out to the guests as favors. Inside were Brandy truffles candies, pecan fours and heart-shaped peppermint creams, all made by Shirlieann Garvin of Silverton.

The couple left the reception with friends and family lighting sparklers and launching wedding confetti poppers in the air. A white

excursion limo awaited their entry to leave for a honeymoon in Playa del Carmen, Mexico.

The bride was graduated from Amarillo College of Hair Design in 2003 and is employed by Dr. Douglas Lewis in Amarillo. The groom expects to graduate from West Texas A&M University in December 2005 with a degree in biology and sports and exercise science. The couple will reside in Canyon.

## Welcome to the BCAA Rodeo and and Briscoe County's 113th Birthday Anniversary!

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*Time is the coin of your life. It is the only coin you have and only you can determine how it will be spent. Be careful lest you let other people spend it for you.*

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## CARD OF THANKS

I had my benefit dinner Sunday, and I am grateful that God blessed me to grow up in a town like Silverton. He gave me neighbors that love Him, and might not fully understand what I am doing but know my heart is for those in the Middle East. This community is willing to support that mission and I am grateful for all you. Thank you so much.

Chase Comer

*There are three ways to get something done: Do it yourself, employ someone or forbid your children to do it.*

Monta Crane

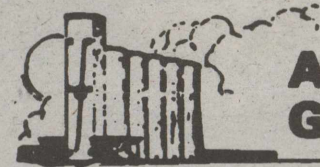
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Henry Ford

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