



Dedra Johnston was in Levelland early this week to compete in the Regional Tennis Tournament.

Trey Wyatt will be playing in the Regional Golf Tournament Wednesday and Thursday.

The track Regional qualifiers, Lindsey Weaks, Jeremy Holt, Andy Bullock, Jack Cherry, Zeb Holt and Jon Ivory, will be competing in their events at Levelland Friday and Saturday.

Brandon Sarchet was the second alternate for State competition in ready writing when the academic Regional events were held last Friday. Also in Regional events last week were Kenzie Burson, Vanessa Martin and Lindsey Weaks.

I visited with Fred Arnold this week and learned that his grandson, Matt Cannon, has been moved to the rehabilitation center in Amarillo. Matt was injured when he fell off a roof and landed on a sidewalk while shingling the Boy Scout Hut in Tulia several weeks ago. He says that the doctors have told Matt's parents, Monte and Kerri Cannon, that his recovery is expected to be 98% complete.

## Lighthouse To Have Annual Meeting

Lighthouse Electric Cooperative, Inc. will hold its 57th annual Membership Meeting Thursday, April 25, at the cooperative headquarters on Highway 70 East in Floydada.

Registration will be held from 4:30 until 6:00 p.m., and a health fair will be held from 2:30 until 5:30 p.m. There will be health screenings by professionals, including blood pressure check, nutrition counseling, height and weight station, diabetes screening, glaucoma screening and cholesterol screening.

Supper will be served beginning at 5:30 p.m. and the business meeting begins at 7:00 p.m. The meal will be catered by Danny's Fins & Hens. There will be entertainment for the children by Cliff T. Clown.

Directors will be elected and there will be drawings for prizes, including a \$500 grand prize.

## News Office Will Be Closed Thursday

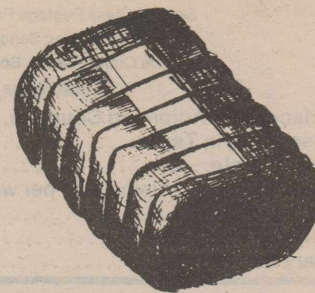
The office of the *Briscoe County News* will be closed today (Thursday) due to a doctor's appointment in Amarillo.

There will be no outgoing UPS, but if you have parcels that need to go out that day you may ship them by taking them to D&K Manufacturing.

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## Second Annual Grand Prix Coming April 28



Adult riders getting ready for their start in last year's Grand Prix motorcycle races in Silverton. The second edition of this event will take place here this weekend, with races for children and adults occupying about three hours Sunday afternoon.

## Tourism Forum is On Slate For May 2

Mrs. Georgia King will be the guest speaker at a Tourism Forum on Thursday, May 2, 1996. The forum will start at 7:00 p.m. in the Pioneer Room at First State Bank in Silverton. The forum is sponsored by the Briscoe County Extension Program Council Executive Board.

Mrs. King will discuss ways to increase tourism in this area. She represents The Panhandle Tourist Association.

All business people and local organization members from both Silverton and Quitaque are encouraged to attend.

"This will be a great chance for people from all over the county to express their ideas about increasing tourism in our area," said County Extension Agent Rebel Royall.

Please call the office of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service - Briscoe County at 823-2131, to pre-register for the program on or before Wednesday, May 1, 1996. The forum is free to anyone interested in attending.

Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of

socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion.

## Kindergarten Students To Register April 26

Kindergarten Day will be held from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon on Friday, April 26 in the kindergarten room.

This will be for boys and girls who will be five years old before September 1, 1996. They need to bring their Social Security card, birth certificate and immunization records.

That day this year's kindergarten students will stay at home with their family.

Pre-K registration day also will be held on Friday, April 26, from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon in the pre-K room in the cafeteria building.

This will be for boys and girls who will be four years old before September 1, 1996. Parents are invited to attend also.

These boys and girls also will need to bring their Social Security cards, birth certificates and immunization records.

The second annual Silverton Grand Prix, sponsored by the Post Enduro Association, Inc. and the Silverton Volunteer Fire Department, will be held April 28.

Participants can register from 7:00 until 10:00 p.m. Saturday, and from 8:00 until 11:00 a.m. on Sunday.

The women and youth riders will have their parade lap beginning at 11:30 a.m., the race will begin at 12:30 p.m. and the finish time is at 1:30 p.m.

All other classes of riders have their parade lap at 1:45 p.m. and racing begins at 2:30 p.m.

The course has been laid out throughout Silverton, as well as there being an arena-cross style test section at the end of each lap. Women and youth classes will run 1/2 track for one hour. All other classes will run for two hours on an approximate four-mile loop.

Advertising, Inc. will have T-shirts for sale and the Silverton Volunteer Fire Department will be operating the concession stand. Whether or not you are going to stay for the motorcycle races, you are invited to come to the concession stand for lunch.

Admission will be free, but there will be a bucket provided in case anyone wishes to donate to the Silverton Fire Department.

## UIL Awards Assembly Will Be Thursday

The UIL Awards assembly will begin at 9:48 a.m. today (Thursday) rather than on Friday as originally scheduled.

The students will be receiving the ribbons they earned at the UIL District Meet.

Please note this change in the school calendar.

## Students to Take TAAS Tests Here

Students in Grades 3-8 in Silverton Independent School District will be taking the TAAS tests April 30-May 1-2-3.

The schedule will be:

April 30--Math, Grades 3-8

May 1--Reading, Grades 3-8

May 2--Social Studies, Grade 8

May 3--Science, Grade 8

It would be of great benefit to both students and the school if your child receives adequate rest, nourishment and encouragement from home during these very important testing days.

Your help and consideration is greatly appreciated by Silverton ISD.

## Pool Membership Called to Meet May 2

There will be a general meeting of the directors and members of Silverton Pool, Inc. at 7:00 p.m. Thursday, May 2, at the pool.

All members are urged to be present.



The steel framework for the walls of the new PE Gym is going up on the schoolgrounds this week.

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# Farm Bill Will Restructure Farming

The effects of the 1996 Farm Bill on cotton farmers in Texas could have a far-reaching effect on the economy and cotton consumers. Whether that's good or bad will depend on the market and how farmers respond, according to an agricultural economist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

At the very least, the Farm Bill will restructure farming infrastructures and probably raise the price of cotton apparel and other items, said Dr. Carl Anderson.

"This bill does not address the small farm; it just addresses the big picture. We will have to have the survival of the fittest," he said.

In a statement released April 4, U. S. Secretary of Agriculture Dan Glickman said, "I remain concerned that this bill fails to provide an adequate safety net for family farmers. While we implement the new farm bill, we also will continue to seek innovative ways to improve the farm safety net and help producers manage risk."

One of the strengths of the 1996 Farm Bill, Anderson said, is that it gives farmers freedom and flexibility. On the other hand, it puts them in a market-oriented economy.

"Those that can manage roller coaster markets will survive. Those that can't manage the markets and those that cannot get the cost of production on the low end of the spectrum will not," he explained.

Cotton is the single most valuable crop grown in Texas—with a total production value of about \$1.6 billion in 1995. The state producers about a quarter of the cotton produced in the United States, leading all of the cotton-producing states since 1880.

The best cotton producers can grow cotton for 60 to 70 cents per pound, but those producers who have an overall cost in the 70- to 80-cent range will have a tough time surviving, he said.

"Anyone above the 80-cent cost of production doesn't have much future in cotton at all," he added.

Anderson projected that much of the cotton produced in the United States now will be produced by the larger farms, which have the efficiency and economy of size.

"(The farm) has to be, if possible, diversified, and integrated," Anderson said.

The farmer will have to integrate into the initial production, supply and storage chain as much as he possibly can, he said. Continued technological advances to keep production costs reasonable also will be a boon.

A system of cooperatives for farmers could help smaller farms survive erratic markets. These enable farmers to pool their demands and crops in order to claim more competitive prices, he

said. The squeeze on the smaller farmers also is going to be felt by small retailers which service farming communities. "It's going to be a concept very similar to the Wal-Mart overtake of rural businesses," he said.

"The small business does not have the wherewithal to go to the factory and tell them we will take all you will produce and we'll pay you this price," he added.

The larger agricultural chemical and agribusinesses will put in large centers in order to service the volume demanded by larger farmers.

"As prices sling around, one year you're going to plant lots of grain and soybeans and the next year you may plant a lot of cotton," he said.

Larger businesses will be better able to survive that changeability by ordering more of the type of chemicals they need and rerouting those they don't to other parts of their chain.

For more than 20 years, cotton farmers have been producing cotton for less than the real cost because they've had a subsidy. As prices for cotton are raised, that makes it harder for textile mills to compete against those in foreign countries where the industry to some extent has governmental support. "Ninety percent of the cotton of the world has some government support interference," Anderson said.

"I see us forfeiting our cotton industry to foreign countries, bottom line," Anderson said. "We're forfeiting a portion of our cotton industry because of the higher price. We will then be less competitive against the imports of apparel and we'll be less competitive against manmade fibers." That competition will spell higher prices for consumers, he projected.

"We've got foreign governments that are subsidizing producers in textile industries and exports in one way or the other. What we've done is pit our American farmer—which I think is the best in the world—against a foreign government.

"It's not a level playing field, as I see it. I would have no reservations about how this all fell together if all the world was playing by the same rules on the same playing field," he said.

Anderson predicted that as much as 40 percent of the cotton acreage in this country could be diverted to other crops or livestock forage. About 10 percent will be lost this year because of the disastrous year in 1995, and 30 percent in the next five years because of the high cost of production and relatively less risk in growing alternative crops or livestock forage.

Crop production is different than main street business—whether it be a service industry or a manufacturer—because the

# BCAA To Meet At 'Barn Tonight

Briscoe County Activities Association will have its regular meeting tonight (Thursday, April 25) at 7:30 p.m. at the Showbarn in Silverton.

New metal seats have been put on the bleachers at the rodeo grounds and there will be a "painting party" at a later date.

Members are needed at this meeting, and all new members and guests are welcome to attend. The annual dues of \$5.00 per family are due and need to be paid.

# Little League Parents To Meet Monday

A meeting will be held for the Silverton Little League Monday, April 29, at 7:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

New officers will be elected at this time.

All parents of children 6-12 years old who are interested in playing baseball are urged to attend this meeting. The Silverton teams will be playing at Lockney again this year.

# National Trails Day Celebration June 1

The Fourth Annual National Trails Day Celebration will be held in Quitaque on June 1. In 1994, Quitaque's National Trails Day Celebration was voted one of the top ten in the nation.

Caprock Canyons Trailway is the longest rails-to-trails conversion in Texas. It is the second-longest single trail in Texas and the fourth longest in the nation. This year development should be complete on the second leg of the Trailway that will extend from Quitaque through Turkey to Parnell, and this portion will be open to hikers, mountain bikers and equestrians. Motorized tours will be available on the 22-mile portion of the Trailway that extends up the rugged Caprock from Quitaque to South Plains. It travels through some of the most beautiful country in Texas, and

along the route visitors will cross 20 bridges, pass through a 700-foot historic railroad tunnel, and those who have keen eyes may spot mule deer, golden eagles, coyotes, bobcats and quail.

A full day of activities is planned on June 1. Besides the activity on the Trailway, in downtown Quitaque there will be hot-air balloon demonstrations, mountain bike rides, a Grand Prix motorcycle race, Trails Day Parade, a noon barbecue, arts and crafts exhibits, Western shoot-outs, music on the street and a host of other events and activities.

At various intervals during the day a live guinea with a \$100 bill attached to its leg will be dropped from an airplane to be captured by some lucky winner. Guineas are domesticated birds, but are graceful in flight, and demonstrations have shown they are not harmed when they soar through space.



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Evening ..... 8:00 p.m.

# WEATHER

## 24-HOUR APRIL READINGS

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4	82	40	
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6	46	25	
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8	78	40	
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11	86	50	
12	86	48	
13	69	43	
14	81	42	
15	57	30	
16	69	29	
17	77	41	
18	81	46	
19	84	48	
20	84	39	
21	71	40	
22	89	46	
23	66	35	
Total April Precip.			.00
Normal April Precip.			1.49
Total 1996 Precip.			.39
Normal Precip.			
Year to Date			3.67
Soil Temperature			58°

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You can do anything with children if you only play with them.

—Prince Otto von Bismarck

crop producer's yield is dependent upon nature and biological cycles, he explained.

"And Mother Nature has proven to us in cotton last year that she will not be defied."

In 1995, cotton producers saw the lowest yield in about 13 years, and the available technology did little to prevent calamity for many farmers, he said.

# LOOKING BACK

through the files of the  
Briscoe County News

**April 24, 1986--** Members of the varsity golf team who qualified for Regional competition last week are Jeff Wheeler, Scotty Harris, Bryan Wheeler and Rhett Montague. They are coached by Bob Loy... Members of the Owlettes who qualified for Regional competition are Kathy Brown, Shavonne Lowrey, DeLyn Patton, Suzann Settle and DeLynn Fitzgerald... Norma Trevino is Academic All-American... Fred Mercer was taken to Methodist Hospital in Lubbock Sunday afternoon by the Silverton Volunteer Ambulance Service after becoming ill at his home... Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Smith are parents of a daughter, Tara Shane... Junior High Owls win Loop Track Meet, earn second at District Meet...

**April 22, 1976--** Briscoe County was officially designated as a national Bicentennial County and Community in a ceremony conducted Tuesday at the Silverton School... Good showers fall on county... Marvin Self, who is a senior at West Texas State University and will receive his degree in May, was a double winner in the track and field meet held at WT last Saturday. Self won first place in the discus with 159'10" and first place in the shot with 51'... Sonya Greenfield was the winner of the grand prize, a color television set, at the grand opening of Boot Hill Western Wear at Lockney last weekend... The girls Regional Track Meet begins in Lubbock Friday, and Silverton will be represented by Susan Payne, Lesa Francis, Debbie Storie, Twila Wood, Linda Vaughn and Becky Francis... Mr. and Mrs. Gary Hunt and children of Clarendon visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ashel McDaniel and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hunt, last week... Mr. and Mrs. Jack McFall, Jena and Justin visited Easter Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Sid McFall and Beth at Matador... Jewell Lyon and Kay Young from Silverton are among the 212 women nominated for the Texas Panhandle Distinguished Service Awards to be presented by West Texas State University April 24... Members of the UIL One-Act Play cast are Earl Jarrett, David Strange, Liz Brown, Jeff Jones, Jo Jarrett, Clayton Fowler, Tracy Gill, Brett Gill and Colleen Hutsell... Parties honoring the graduating class are being held...

**April 21, 1966--** Kaedean Bomar was elected president of Ma Ga Ki Camp Fire Girls April 5. Marion Hooten is vice president. Other officers are Rhonda Sutton, secretary; Amy Sharp, scrapbook keeper; Barbara Ledbetter, scribe. Special guests for a friendship ceremonial were Freeda Henderson, Cindy Harrison and Connie Grimland. Members attending were

Kaedean Bomar, Rhonda Sutton, Amy Sharp, Ramona Martin, Marion Hooten, Donna Stodghill, Rhonda Sweek, Barbara Ledbetter and Mrs. Clifton Stodghill, guardian... Marcia Alexander selected as member of National Honor Society in San Angelo Central High School... Silverton FFA participated in three contests at West Texas State Saturday. The teams were Larry Comer, Danny Vaughan, Paul McWilliams, Jimmy Walker, Dairy; Roy Brooks, Johnnie Weaver, Gary Whitfill, Roy Wood, Land; Leland Wood, Jimmy Burson, Buddy Comer, Livestock... Mr. and Mrs. Ashel McDaniel were in Tulia Monday for her medical checkup... State FHA honors to be conferred on Elaine Boyles...

**April 26, 1956--** The First Baptist Church in Silverton was the scene of the marriage of Jonette Reynolds, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Reynolds, to Fredrick Ross Hamilton, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Hamilton of Silverton... James Emmitt Daniel, 88, pioneer Briscoe County attorney and official, passed away at the Peoples Hospital in Floydada Saturday morning after a lengthy illness... Mr. and Mrs. Fulton Gregg spent the weekend in Lubbock with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Boling and Jimmy... Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Green and family spent Sunday afternoon with her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Montague... H. A. Morris, who underwent eye surgery at St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo last week, came home on Saturday... Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Tye of Paducah visited their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. James F. Davis, from Friday through Sunday...

**May 8, 1946--** During the tidal wave in the Hawaiian Island area, Lyndon E. Stephens, aviation machinist mate second class, USNR, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Stephens, aided in rescue work. More than 12 lives were saved by the unit to which he is attached. Rubber life rafts were dropped from planes and extensive rescue work was done in devastated areas along the shore... Those attending the Plainview district conference of the Methodist Church were Rev. Barnett, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Turner, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Gardner, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Turner, Mrs. P. T. Allday, Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Turner and Mrs. Billie Dickerson... O. C. Rampley has been elected one of the three senior class representatives to the Student Senate, campus governing body of West Texas State College, Canyon... In the presence of members of the immediate families and close friends, Miss Merlene Yates became the bride of Doyle Stephens Wednesday night at the Baptist parsonage. Rev. G. A. Elrod read the wedding vows... Merl McMurtry had the misfortune of breaking his collarbone and injuring a hand when he fell from a windmill tower Tuesday... Mr. and Mrs.

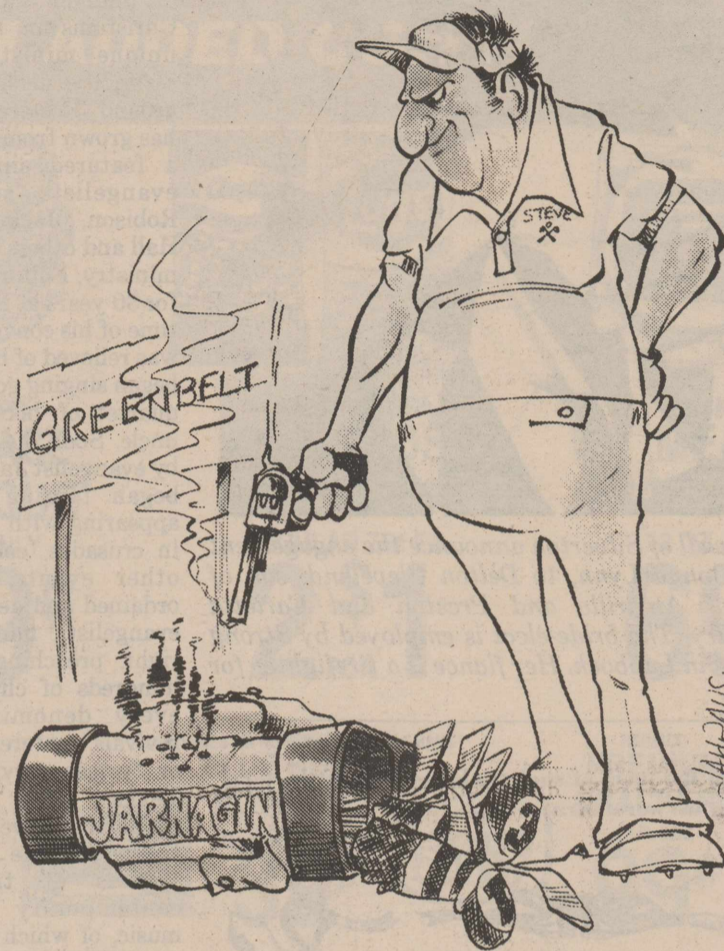
John Vaughan, Patsy Ann and Linda Fay Brannon were Sunday guests in the M. L. Welch home...

**April 23, 1936--** Annual Junior-Senior Banquet held with Spanish theme. Twelve members of the sophomore class, dressed as Spaniards, were waitresses and waiters. They were Gladys Cline, Georgia Kirk, Ruth and Margaret Francis, Bethleen Northcutt, Vinson and J. B. Smith, Taylor Williamson, Albert White, Alton

Strickland, Riddell Hutsell and Buster Allard. Favours were small cacti plants... If you wish to spend an interesting hour, stop in at Bob Stevenson's little museum in the basement of the courthouse. He has a collection of everything from arrowheads to petrified fingers--and can tell you right where he got most of them... C. O. Allard figured in a slight accident Wednesday when the Phillips Petroleum truck, which

he was driving, slid into the bar ditch and turned over... Miss Florene Northcutt and Robert Farnsworth were united in marriage at Floydada last Thursday afternoon... Editor Roy Hahn wrote: "Country boy in town: Ordered a T-bone steak without consulting the menu. And was relieved of \$1.25 when I

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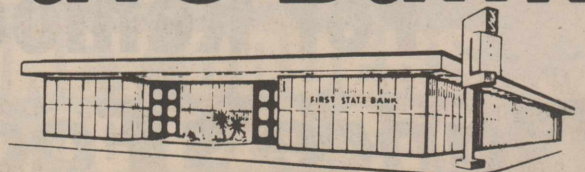
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# Fullingim in Concert At Quitaque Church

Evangelist/Singer Jim Fullingim will appear in concert at First Baptist Church in Quitaque at 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 5. The concert/praise service is free. A "love offering" will benefit Fullingim's prison-ministry visit to the Tulia Transfer Facility.

Fullingim is a familiar figure to Christians in West Texas. His unique ministry, featuring a distinctive musical style and built around "Restoration" as a theme, has grown from his early years as a featured singer with major evangelists such as James Robison, Jack Taylor, Dudley Hall and others. Prior to entering ministry, Fullingim was a farmer for 30 years at Petersburg. At the time of his conversion in 1971, he was relieved of his alcoholism and began singing gospel music with a quartet of his cousins and his uncle. Soon, he was "discovered" by evangelist James Robison, and began touring with him and appearing with other evangelists in crusades, conferences and at other events. He was later ordained and developed a unique evangelistic ministry in his own right, preaching and singing in hundreds of churches of nearly every denomination and at revivals, conferences and concerts or "praise services" throughout Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma as well as elsewhere in the nation. He has recorded 11 albums of traditional and contemporary country gospel music, of which many thousands are in circulation. His latest album, God & Country, features some of the popular country songs that he has adapted to "preach from."

Fullingim also has developed a special ministry among alcoholics and addicts, and has served as chaplain to the patients of drug treatment centers and ministered through Alcoholics Anonymous.

That ministry also has evolved into a prison ministry, a principal focus of Fullingim's evangelism currently, as he "carries the message" to inmates of Texas prisons. His use of mainstream country music to preach from, interpreted in a spiritual light, is effective in reaching many who have not been reached by the churches or more conventional religious outreach. Fullingim's ministry has been endorsed and recommended by the Chaplaincy Department of The Texas Department of Criminal Justice to the chaplains of the 108 prisons in the Texas prison system.



W. D. and Peggy Rowell of Silvertown announce the engagement of their daughter, Donna Lynn, to Delton Cleveland, son of LaRue Cleveland of Amarillo and Preston and Carietta Cleveland of Granbury. The bride-elect is employed by Strong Transfer and Storage in Lubbock. Her fiancé is a firefighter for the City of Lubbock.

### Happy Birthday To . . .

- April 26--Juanell Turner, Alex Segura, Cris Gill
- April 27--Donnie Martin, Jim Cogdell, Russell McLeland, Tangie Perkins
- April 28--Ora Isbell, Shellie Cornett, Nikki Martin, Bailey Hill, Emily Long
- April 29--CoDee Grabbe
- April 30--Rikki Bitner, Minerva Patino, Linda Sain, Alice Maciel, Zackery Burson
- May 1--Greg Hill, Jeffrey Grimland, Jennifer Garrison, Kyle Bean

### Happy Anniversary To . . .

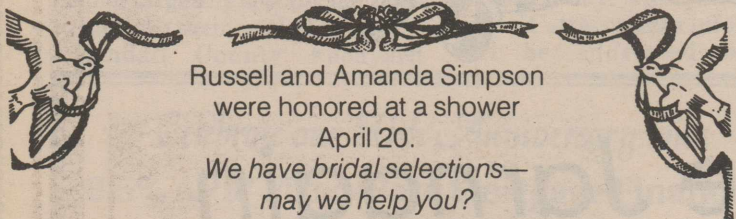
- April 27--Mr. and Mrs. Casey Bean
- April 28--Mr. and Mrs. E. H. McGavock



Molly Sarchet and Tarran Forbes have received T-shirts for being 100-Point Club students in the Accelerated Reader Program. *Briscoe County News Photo*

We can escape from the level of society, but not from the level of intelligence to which we were born.

—Randall Jarrell



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## Silvertown School Activities

- Thurs., April 25--School Employee Dinner, 7:00 p.m.; UIL Awards Assembly, 9:48 a.m.; Regional Golf Tournament
- Fri., April 26--Pre K & K Enrollment Day
- Fri. & Sat., April 26-27--Regional Track Meet
- Tues., April 30--TAAS Math, Gr. 3-8; TAAS Exit, Writing; Cub Scouts, 3:00; Dist. FFA Meeting, Memphis, 4:30
- Wed., May 1--TAAS Reading, Gr. 3-8
- Thurs., May 2--TAAS Social Studies, Gr. 8 only
- Fri., May 3--TAAS Science, Gr. 8 only

## Silvertown School Lunch Menu

- Mon., April 29--Ham Slice, Macaroni & Cheese, Fried Okra, Hot Roll, Fruit, Milk
- Tues., April 30--Fajita, Hot Sauce, Salad, Ranch Beans, Corn Chips, Fruit, Milk
- Wed., May 1--Chicken Tetrazini, Tossed Salad, Corn, Bread, Milk, Banana Pudding
- Thurs., May 2--Steak, Gravy, Green Beans, Mashed Potatoes, Hot Rolls, Milk, Butter, Money
- Fri., May 3--Deli Sandwich, French Fries, Milk, Fruit

Most of us become parents long before we have stopped being children.

—Mignon McLaughlin

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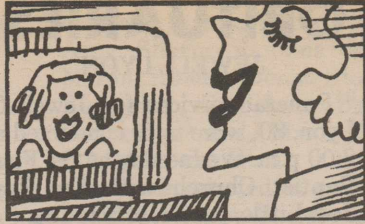
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## Social Security When Grandparents Become Parents Again

by Mary Jane Shanes  
Social Security Manager  
Plainview, Texas



Women represented 46 percent of all persons in the civilian labor force in 1993. That percentage is expected to rise to 48 percent by 2005.

I've recently noticed the reality of something I was previously unaware of only through statistical reports—a lot of grandmas and grandpas are getting a second go-around at parenting young children.

According to the U. S. Census Bureau, more than three million of America's 70 million children, now live with their grandparents.

Social workers point to teen pregnancies, drug and alcohol abuse, and other social ills as the main reasons for the dramatic increase in grandparents serving parents over the last decade.

Whatever the reason, more and more grandparents find themselves assuming the role of parents. And when this happens, it's helpful to know that Social Security may be able to help with the financial burden. If a parent is deceased or drawing disability or retirement benefits, the children may qualify for benefits on that parent's earnings record. If that's not the case, then Social Security may recognize the grandparent as the "parent" for benefit purposes.

When the grandparent retires, becomes disabled, or dies, the grandchild may then be able to qualify for benefits if certain conditions are met. Generally, the biological parents of the child must be deceased or disabled, or the grandchild must be legally adopted by the grandparent.

In addition, the grandchild must have begun living with the grandparent before age 18 and received at least one half of his or her support from the grandparent for the year before the month the grandparent became entitled to retirement or disability insurance benefits or died. Also, the natural parent(s) of the child must not be making regular contributions to his or her support.

If the grandchild was born during the one-year period, the grandparent must have lived with and provided at least one-half of the child's support for substantially all of the period from the date of birth to the month the grandparent became entitled to benefits.

The grandchild may qualify for benefits under these circumstances, even if he or she is a step-grandchild. However, if the grandparents are already receiving benefits, they would need to adopt the child for it to qualify for benefits.

For more information on how grandchildren may qualify for Social Security benefits, contact your local Social Security office.

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If...it makes my whole body so cold no fire can warm me, I know that is poetry.

—Emily Dickinson

## LOOKING BACK—

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passed the cash register. It would have resulted in a bad case of lock jaw if I had seen that price first".

Bessie Garner of Turkey was a houseguest of her cousin, Louise Buchanan, last week. . . . Lola Fern Foust is confined at home with the mumps. Several cases of mumps are being enjoyed in Silverton. . . Mrs. J. W. Ewing of Quitaque visited with her sister, Miss Lizzie Gregg, Tuesday. . . Mr. and Mrs. O'Neal Watson left Friday for Tulia where O'Neal has a position. . .

January 14, 1926-- The Missionary Society met Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. A. A. Potter with Mrs. J. E. Simpson as leader for the program. Those who had parts on the program were Mrs. M. C. Potter, Mrs. Norrid, Mrs. Douglas and Mrs. Odor. . . John Stocket is still on the job threshing. . . Charlie Johnson of Palo Duro was here Wednesday making arrangements to have cake and feed provided for his cattle. . .

Chick Northcutt of near Silverton, wife and little son were at Beverly Wednesday. Chick was looking after his cattle at that place. . . Frank Lowrey and Miss Marvena Bartley visited at Mrs. S. E. Johnson's at Canyon Saturday evening and Sunday, returning to Beverly Sunday evening. . . Miss Lucille Hyatt returned to Amarillo after spending the holidays with her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Mart Hyatt. . . J. B. Lanham has moved to the Kitchens farm six miles south of town. Mr. Lanham farmed on the Smylie place the past year. . . Bill Hardcastle is using crutches following the lancing of his knee hurt during the football season. . . Lewis Gilkeyson and his brother, Luther, arrived in Silverton Tuesday driving a Ford car through from Detroit. Lewis has been driving a big two-story bus there for the past ten weeks. That was as much as he wanted of the big rig. . . Willie Perry who has been visiting friends in the community returned to his home in South Texas last week. Alvin McCutchen accompanied him home to spend the winter. . . Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Kendrick visited Mr. Vardell's family Sunday. . . Parker Rampley has rented a farm south of John Baker and is moving into the Haylake community. . . Irene and Cecil Vaughn are attending school at Quitaque. They are staying with their cousin, Mrs. Carl Kitchens.

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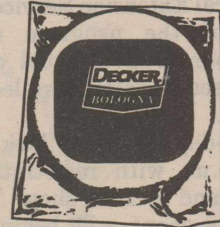
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# Ranch to Rail Beef Producer Conference Set May 7 in Amarillo

What can be learned from long-term experience? Plenty, say organizers of the 1996 Ranch to Rail North beef producer conference.

The event will be held May 7 at the civic Center in Amarillo.

"In addition to updating the 1995-96 information, we're emphasizing interpretation of the data collected through the Ranch to Rail effort," said F. T. (Ted) McCollum, area beef cattle specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. A portion of the program will feature four to five actual case studies based on cattle enrolled in past years.

The full-day event will kick off at 7:30 a.m. with registration, breakfast and a trade show. The morning segment will begin at 8:30 a.m. Breakfast will be compliments of Roche Animal Health and Nutrition.

McCollum co-chairs the annual event with John McNeill, Extension beef cattle program leader from College Station. He will open the conference by introducing selected case studies to the audience beginning at 8:40 a.m.

"This segment includes distribution of case study materials, a questionnaire, or grading sheet which has been designed to aid producers in comparisons of good versus bad management decisions, and to help in targeting specific methods to improve their cattle," he said.

Randall County Feedyard

manager Richard Winter of Canyon will review how the feedyard manages cattle enrolled in the program.

A midmorning break will highlight the industry trade show.

Beef quality issues will be discussed by Dan Hale, Extension meat specialist in Texas A&M's animal science department. The importance of management to improve calf value and maintain cow productivity will be addressed by L. R. Sprott, area Extension beef cattle specialist from Bryan.

A complimentary noon luncheon, sponsored by Texas Cattle Feeders Association, requires an RSVP in order to provide an accurate count for the caterer. Contact McCollum at 806-359-5401 for the noon meal registration.

An experts panel will be convened in the afternoon. Richard Machen, Extension livestock specialist from Uvalde, will moderate a discussion designed to provide an indepth review of the case studies introduced earlier in the day. This interactive session for producers will feature Ron Gill, Extension livestock specialist from Dallas, who will address cow/calf management issues. Feedlot performance is the topic for W. L. (Bill) Mies, A&M animal scientist who specializes in feedlot management and marketing issues. Cattle carcass information will be addressed by Ted

Montgomery, professor of animal science at West Texas A&M University, Canyon.

An optional tour of Randall County Feedyards will conclude the event. Producers may use their own vehicles for the drive to Canyon. Program sponsors of Ranch to Rail North include TAMU Animal Science Department, Texas Agricultural Extension Service and Friona Industries.

For more information and to register for the noon luncheon, call Ted McCollum, Extension beef cattle specialist at the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center in Amarillo, 806-359-5401.

## Outage Problems Began When Insulators Were Being Cleaned By SPS

Water mist from a cleaning operation—coupled with electrical equipment that had become dirty due to continuing dry, dusty conditions—led to the power outage that affected much of the Southwestern Public Service Company electric system Tuesday of last week.

A crew was using high-pressure, de-mineralized water spray to clean insulators at a power plant substation. Mist drifted to nearby insulators, as well. The insulators were heavily contaminated with dust. The combination of dust and mist on the insulators resulted in a large flash and an electrical fault.

Cleaning energized insulators is a standard utility maintenance procedure. If insulators are not cleaned, the dirt and grime on them make flashes and other electrical problems more likely. Usually rain helps keep the insulators from becoming so contaminated, but the region has been in drought-like conditions for months.

The power plant involved was Tolk Station, a 1080-megawatt coal-fueled power plant near Muleshoe. Both generating units at the plant went down because of the electrical fault at the substation. Tolk is SPS's largest power plant. Losing both units from the plant at the same time caused a severe under-frequency situation on the SPS system. Generating units at several other power plants were tripped off because of the disruption. SPS was carrying 2,800 megawatts of load at the time of the outage, and dropped down to 680 megawatts.

The outage began at 10:20 a.m. Tuesday. Affected generating units were carefully brought back on line during the day. Power was imported from other electric systems as well. By 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, virtually all power was restored.

## OBITUARIES

### JEWELL LYON

Funeral services for Jewell C. Lyon, 80, were to be conducted at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday at the First Baptist Church with the Rev. Jess Little, pastor, officiating.

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

Mrs. Lyon died Sunday afternoon, April 21, at her home.

Jewell Cantrell Rogers was born June 20, 1915 and was the daughter of the late Charles Cantrell and Elizabeth Ann Rogers of Lebanon, Tennessee. The youngest of two brothers and one sister, she was graduated from Lebanon High School and attended Cumberland University.

She married J. W. Lyon, jr. January 28, 1935 in the home of her parents in Lebanon. They moved to Quitaque where he was in the private practice of law before moving to Silverton in January 1941 when he became Briscoe County Attorney. He died December 12, 1985.

She was a homemaker and a member of First Baptist Church. She had served as church secretary for 21 years, retiring in December 1983, and had been chairman of the church library committee for 35 years. She was on the board of the Silverton Cemetery Association and was a member of Briscoe County Activities Association and March of Time Study Club. She had been an active supporter of the Silverton Public Library for many years.

Survivors include a sister-in-law and four nephews, all of Lebanon.

Pallbearers were Jack Strange, Roy Mack Walker, Gene Latham, Steven Latham, Kevin Grabbe and Bud Couch.

The family suggested memorials be to the American Heart Association, the American Cancer Society, the Silverton Cemetery Association or to First Baptist Church in Silverton.

### LUCILLE WOOD

Funeral services for Alma Lucille Wood were conducted at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, April 18, at the First Baptist Church in Wellington with the Rev. Johnny Tims, pastor, and Rev. Derwin Comer, associate pastor, officiating. Burial was in North Fairview Cemetery, with arrangements directed by Adams Funeral Home.

Mrs. Wood died in Wellington at the age of 87 on April 16, 1996.

She was born December 11, 1908 in Palo Pinto County, and was the daughter of Rector N. and Josie Fowler Sheid. She moved with her family to Silverton in 1924, and was graduated from Silverton High School. She was a telephone operator prior to her marriage to Manley Wood March 23, 1928 in Quitaque. He died in 1990.

Mrs. Wood was employed by the Silverton Schools for many years and retired as librarian. She

and her husband moved to Wellington in 1976.

She was preceded in death by a brother, two sisters and a granddaughter.

Survivors include a daughter, Vonna Brooks of Wellington; three grandchildren, Danny Brooks of Arlington, Dian Souder and Linda McGill, both of Wellington; and eight grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Jack Neeley, Ober Johnson, Roy Mack Walker, Duane Reynolds, Willie Gragson and Bill Long.

The family requested that memorials be to the Wellington First Baptist Church TV Ministry or Wellington Cemetery Association.

## COTTON TALKS

Some speculation about how the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act (FAIR) of 1996 will be enacted got laid to rest April 12 as the membership of Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. gathered at the organization's 39th Annual Meeting.

Guest speakers for the Lubbock-based organization's meeting were United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Consolidated Farm Service Agency (CFSA) staffers Richard O. Newman, Deputy Administrator for Farm Programs, and Wayne Bjorlie, Director of the Fibers Analysis Division.

Newman and Bjorlie brought with them the latest information as USDA prepares the regulations that will govern the new farm program.

"One thing we do know," said PCG Executive Vice President Donald Johnson, "The new program will bring a fundamental change in the way producers view the government and how they react to the changing environment of the marketplace."

The FAIR Act frees producers from government-authorized planting restrictions and allows them more freedom to plant according to market demand. In exchange for this freedom producers agree to receive fixed, but declining, payments during the seven-year life of the program.

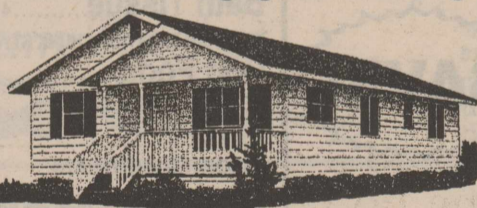
A one-time sign-up for the new program is set to begin May 20 and run through July 12, 1996. Producers will have only one chance to sign the seven-year contract to participate in the program. Farms with a planting history in one of the past five years for program crops will be eligible for the program.

First-year payment rates are estimated to be around nine cents per pound for Upland cotton producers.

Additional information about the new Program will be made available as it is released by USDA. Anyone interested in accessing several Fact Sheets being published by USDA about the new farm program can do so via the Internet at the following address:

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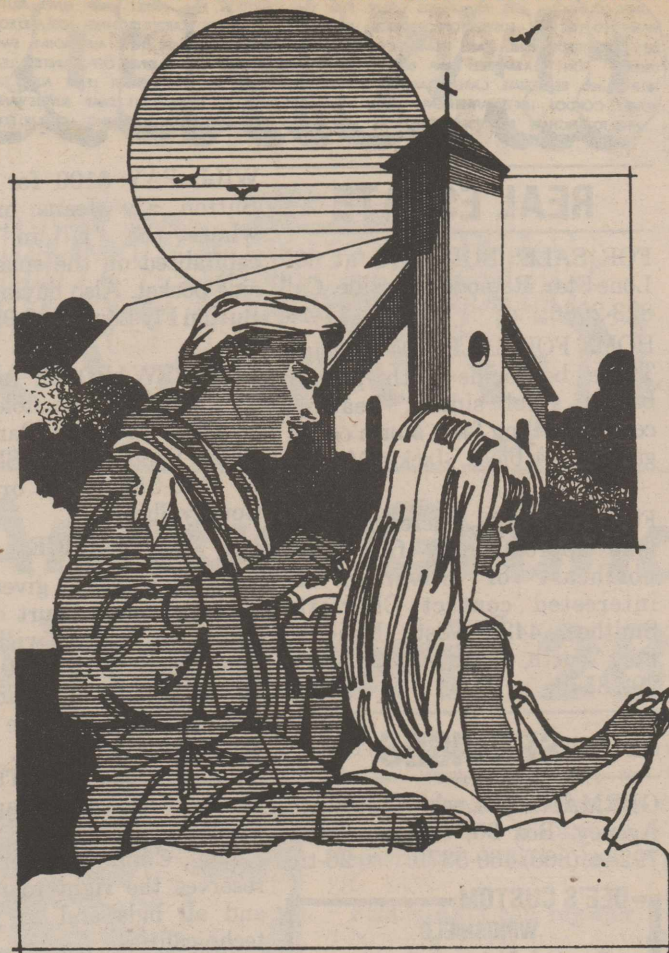
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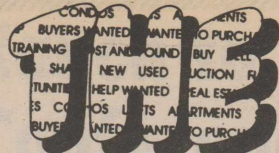
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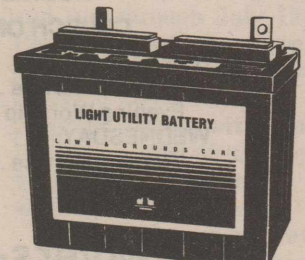
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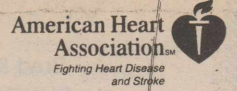
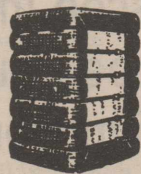
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