

Our people can't say that they haven't seen their prayers answered, for while we can't say tor certain that the drought is ended, it certainly has been dented by the rains that have fallen during the past week or so.

A little more than five inches has fallen on Silverton, and heavier amounts have been recorded at Lake Mackenzie and other rural locales so far during July.

LaNelle Hill told us that about ten inches of rain has fallen at their farm northeast of town. Where their tanks had gone dry and they have been having housewater pump problems earlier this year, there is now an abundance of surface water.

Lake Mackenzie has received 7.25 inches of rain and the lake level has risen to $77\frac{1}{2}$ feet, which is a rise of about five feet.

It is pretty wet in every direction from Silverton, and this is good. The cotton is squaring and beginning to bloom, the maize is heading and the corn has tasseled, and this is a time when all the crops can use water. The ranchers will take rain on their Has Extended grass whenever they can get it, and they like it best when it comes down hard and fills their tanks. Walter Arnold drove to town on his tractor one day last week with a big smile on his face. The countryside is wearing its

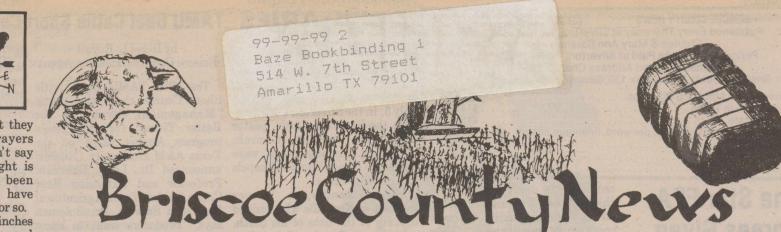
spring finery now, and there has never been a better time for sightseeing in the caprock area than now. The spirits of our people are lifted by rainfall like nothing else in nature, and it is a good time to live or visit here.

We are expecting some relatives today, and will be in and out of the shop a bit the rest of the week. We will be attending the big Picnic activities in Tulia and a cousins reunion that is held during that event. Charles' brothers will be bringing their antique tractors for Tulia's parade, and his eldest brother is a 50-year class which will be having a reunion.



JULY 24-HOUR READINGS

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THURSDAY, JULY 18, 1996

Caprock Cowboy Camp Meeting Begin Here Thursday, July 25

The annual Caprock Cowboy Camp Meeting is scheduled to begin with the prayer trees Thursday, July 25, at 6:00 p.m. at the Johnnie Burson ranch northeast of Silverton and will continue through Sunday, July 28. Signs will be posted east of Silverton to direct you to the location.

Everyone is welcome to enjoy

Public Library Summer Hours

Silverton's Public Library, located in the basement of the Briscoe County Courthouse, will be open Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 3:00 until 5:00, in addition to the regular hours on Tuesdays and Fridays.

BCAA To Give Away Saddle and Blanket

Briscoe County Activities Association will be giving away a handmade saddle during the County Birthday Celebration the second weekend in August.

Texas Horsepads in Quitaque has donated a saddle blanket which will be given away with the saddle.

member of Tulia High School's Smiths Are Silverton's Newest Residents

Bill, DeLane and Ashley Smith inconvenient, he adds, showing are Silverton's newest residents. They recently moved here from Lubbock.

Mrs. Smith is a registered nurse and is working part-time at the Briscoe County Clinic. She also is a rehabilitation nurse consultant. She was reared at Acuff, near Lubbock, and was graduated from West Texas A&M University.

Mr. Smith is an attorney and has established an office in Quitaque. His regular office hours are from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Appointments can be scheduled anytime if those hours are

Total Precip. in July 6.13 Normal Precip. in July 2.39 Total Precip. Year to Date 10.40 Normal Precip. Year to Date 12.95 community they have received.

Meals are served, camping spaces are available and there is no Local ministers charge for this Christian with the services. experience except for donations that are requested to help defray the cost of the food.

Breakfast is served at 6:30 a.m., and this is followed by bible study. The noon worship is at 11:30 a.m., lunch is served at 12:30 p.m. and there are prayer trees each evening at 6:00. Choir practice follows supper and the evening worship service is at 8:00 p.m. A campfire service will be held after the evening worship on Friday evening only.

Saturday, from 5:30 until 6:30 p.m., there will be crafts and study for children in prekindergarten through grade six. A youth study will take place at this same time.

Music for the Camp Meeting is to be directed by Jimmy Burson. classes or before or after them.

Senior Citizens **Enjoy Picnic Supper**

Twenty-one Silverton Senior Citizens enjoyed a brown bag picnic supper, lots of good fellowship and the musical drama "TEXAS" Monday night in Palo Duro Canyon.

that he already is blending into

Mr. Smith was graduated from

Texas A&M University and

received his law degree from

Texas Tech University. He was

reared in Briscoe County on his

family's ranch. His grandfather,

the late Bill Cushing, moved to

the county with his wife, Ione, in

the 1940's. His parents, Mike and

Margaret Smith, live near Mrs.

Cushing northeast of Silverton.

He has a brother, Lee Smith, who

moved to Silverton with his wife,

daughter, Ashley, who is 18 months old. They are excited to be

living in this area and have asked

that their appreciation be

expressed for the welcome to the

Bill and DeLane Smith have a

Krista, several months ago.

the laid-back rural attitude.

cowboy hospitality at this Camp preachers are Steve Cody interdenominational meeting. and David Burk, and Burk also will serve as camp youth director. Local ministers will be assisting

There are no hookups, but you are welcome to bring your session at 5:00 p.m. Hamburgers bedroll, tent, RV, travel trailer, at 6:00 p.m. Show starts at 7:00 motor home, etc.

The event is sponsored by Ranchmen's Camp Meeting Association of the Southwest and is designed for families and those of all ages.

Classes Planning **Reunion August 9**

There will be a get-together of the classes of 1944-1950, or there about, at 7:30 on the evening of August 9 in the Silverton School Cafeteria.

Come and enjoy visiting with others, whether you were in these

Senior Citizens To Have Luncheon Friday

Silverton Senior Citizens will have their monthly luncheon and business meeting Friday at the Center.

Members of the Baptist Church will host the luncheon.

Football Magazine Tabs Teams to Watch

Dave Campbell's Texas Football magazine, now available in stores, picks Plainview, Lockney, Hale Center, Petersburg and Silverton to make the playoffs with Tulia, Hart and Kress in their respective hunts

In Six-Man District 3, the magazine picked 1. Whitharral; 2. Silverton; 3. Lazbuddie; 4. Amherst; 5. Three Way; 6. Cotton Center

Picks in District 2-1A include 1. Springlake-Earth; 2. Sudan; 3. Kress; 4. Nazareth; 5. Farwell; 6. Motley County; 7. Valley; 8. Нарру.

Selections in District 3-1A are 1. Petersburg, 2. O'Donnell; 3. Lorenzo; 4. Whiteface; 5. Smyer; 6. Anton.

Join The BCAA

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Calendar of Events In Briscoe County

July 25-27--Caprock Cowboy Camp Meeting. Johnnie Burson Ranch. Join in this very unique camp meeting on the edge of the Caprock.

August 2-3-Quitaque

Homecoming August 3—Caprock Jamboree. Showbarn in Silverton. Jam session at 5:00 p.m. Hamburgers p.m.

August 8-Briscoe County Roping. This is for residents and former residents of Briscoe County to compete against one another with their roping skills. Introduction of ropers. Wood Memorial Arena in Silverton.

August 9-10-Briscoe County's 104th Birthday Celebration in Silverton. Enjoy nightly rodeo performances at Wood Memorial Arena; dances nightly at the Showbarn; parade, barbecue, arts & crafts booths, drawings, etc. August 10—Silverton School

Homecoming. Registration 9:30 a.m. Brunch in school cafeteria 10:30-11:30 a.m. (\$5.00 per person). Homecoming program starts 12:00 noon in the school auditorium. Entertainment will be provided by 3M Company.

August 13-First day of classes in the Silverton Schools

August 17-Canyon Rambling. Travel the back trails of Caprock Canyons State Park with a Ranger in an open air vehicle. View the wildlife and beautiful scenery and experience a rough

and tumble ride. September 7—County-Wide Garage Sale. Silverton, Quitaque and points in between. Take a whole day for browsing through garage sale items and see the beautiful Briscoe County high plains, canyons and rolling plains country.

September 7-Caprock Jamboree. Silverton Showbarn

September 7-Tunnel Bat Flights. Witness the flight of bats as they stream out of the Clarity Tunnel in search of food and water on the Caprock Canyons **Trailway System**

September 14-Blue Grass Festival. Silverton. Spend the day on the lawn of the historic Briscoe County Courthouse listening to music and visiting with people who are the best in the world.

In area, the state of Alaska is more than twice as large as Texas.

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Lone Star FFA Degrees Given To Local Youth

Anthony Gamble and Jon Ivory of the Silverton FFA Chapter received the Lone Star FFA Degree at the 68th Annual Texas FFA Convention held July 8-11 in Houston.

This degree is the highest honor conferred by the State FFA Association to a member. Ivory and Gamble were selected to

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receive this degree because of their ability to demonstrate strong leadership skills and great community involvement. They also had to demonstrate a sense of maturity and responsibility by completing a Supervised Agricultural Experience Program.

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This convention concludes another successful year for the 68,000 members of the organization. It featured the election of new state FFA officers, motivational speakers, leadership development workshops and the presentation of numerous other awards. In addition, over \$750,000 in scholarships was awarded to outstanding FFA members and academic achievers.

The FFA is comprised of students enrolled in agricultural science and technology source at over 950 Texas high schools. The agricultural education system is dedicated to preparing more than 100,000 students with the skills and technological leadership qualities needed to succeed in their future endeavors.

Letter to the Editor

enjoy reading the BCN especially the Looking Back article.

in my heart and mind.

Of course, it's interesting to

I've lived in Amarillo for over little town.

> Loney Stout 1609 N. Fairfield

Dear Editor, I'm over 75 years old, but I still

And what particularly appeals to me are the brief "news" about friends and relatives in the '30's and '40's, most of whom I knew personally and they still prevail

read about their off-springs and new-comers"

44 years, but still miss life in that

Sincerely, Amarillo, TX 79107-6923

BRISCOE COUNTY NEWS

OBITUARIES TAMU Beef Cattle Short Course Planned

CONRAD ALEXANDER

Graveside services for Conrad (Cooney) Alexander, 80, were conducted at 1:00 p.m. Friday, July 5, in the Silverton Cemetery, with the Rev. Jess Little, pastor Better Times" for this year's of First Baptist Church, officiating. Arrangements were made by Grimes Funeral Chapels of Kerrville, Texas.

resident of Kerrville who resided passed away Tuesday, July 2, in a what is going on about prices of Katy care center.

December 30, 1915 in Briscoe the drought. They want to know County and was a son of Ora and Gordon Alexander

as a boy but returned to Silverton inference to unsafe beef that has and was graduated from high school here. He married the "Mad Cow" stories confound former Leota Rampy December 28, 1944. The family remained in Silverton until 1960 when they moved to San Angelo. In 1972 they moved to Kerrville where he improving the quality and retired from the Social Security Administration.

In 1992, the Alexanders moved to Houston to be near their four grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife of 49 years.

He was a veteran of World War II, having served in the Air Force. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church and was a member of the Masonic Lodge.

He is survived by one daughter, Marcia Montgomery of Portland, Texas; one son, Shane Alexander of Katy; four grandchildren, Nathan Shane Alexander, Joshua Conrad Alexander, Sarah Anne Alexander and Seth Price Alexander.

RUTH BOWMAN HUNT

Graveside services for Ruth Bowman Hunt, 62, were conducted at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, July 11, in the Silverton Cemetery with Bud Couch officiating.

Burial arrangements were made by Myers-Long Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Hunt died Tuesday, July 9, in Lubbock.

She was born November 5, 1933 in Van Zandt. She married Tommy Hunt December 3, 1954 in Bonham. He died in 1993.

Survivors include three sons, David and James Lee Hunt, both of Odessa, and Tommy Gene Hunt of Silverton; three daughters, Elizabeth Ann Morse of Odessa, Marsha Elaine Sohm of Waco and Laura Jean Preston of Saltillo; three brothers, Ramie Bowman, Howard Bowman and James Lum Bowman, all of Gladewater, two sisters, Ola Mae Clay of Bonham and Emma Betty of Shreveport, Schenck Louisiana; 15 grandchildren and TWO great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Billy Higgins, Virgal Minyard, E. H. McGavock, Billy McGavock, Steve Miller, Jerry Miller and Joe Davis.

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by Rebel L. Royall Briscoe County Extension Agent

The 1996 TAMU Beef Cattle Short Course chose the theme Management Strategies for program August 12-14 on the Texas A&M University Campus, announced Dr. Larry Boleman, Professor and Extension Beef Mr. Alexander, a former Cattle Leader, Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Dr. Boleman in Katy at the time of his death, says, "Producers want to know cattle, numbers of cattle, grain Mr. Alexander was born forecasts, farm bill, and of course, about the market more psychology. As if these weren't He moved to Branson, Colorado enough to worry about, the been related to the European existing problems even more. Producers must focus on

opportunities to work their way

out of this market cycle while

consistency of our product.

Without question this is the worst of times for beef producers. and they are trying to position their operations to survive hopefully for better times to come." These are a few of the questions and issues that our

conference will address in 1996. The 1996 TAMU Beef Cattle Short Course will take on the task of providing both information relating to beef market and management training to aid the 'decision-making" process for producers during predicted tough market and drought conditions. Agricultural economists and industry leaders still project tough times for cattle producers, and producers must take that information and plan strategies to stay in business or perhaps decide to go out of business.

Hippocrates, the father of modern medicine, was born on the Greek island of Kos about 460 B.C.





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LOOKING BACK

through the files of the

Briscoe County News

July 17, 1996 -- Kori Baird has been named to receive South Plains College's most prestigious scholarship award. She has been named a Smallwood Scholar and has been awarded a \$2,000 stipend which will be dispensed over four consecutive fall and spring semesters in the amount of \$500 per semester . . . Clay Schott, Robbie McWaters and Warren Merrell participated in an electricity camp sponsored by Southwestern Public Service Company near Cloudcroft, New Mexico . . . Funeral services conducted for Ruby Elliston and Claude E. Jarrett . . . The four living daughters of the late U. D. and Zemily Brister Brown recently met in the Silverton School Cafeteria for a day of fellowship and food together with their families . . . The Watters cousins had their second annual campout at Lake Mackenzie last weekend . . . Frank Yeary received a broken ankle two weeks ago when it was stepped on by a cow.

July 15, 1976-- Services held for Edward Daniel Edwards, 57...

Bobby McPherson, Briscoe County 4-H'er, participated at the Junior Texas Hereford Association Field Day held at Canyon July 8 . . . The tennis doubles team of Gary Turner and David Strange won first place in the Valley Tennis Tournament last week. The week before, the Turner-Strange team had won second place in a meet at Lakeview . . . Dayne Mayfield won the Discus with a throw of 162' 3/8" and second in the Shot behind a competitor from Amarillo with a put of 49'61/2" at the West Texas AAU Junior Olympic Track and Field Meet held in Borger last week. Firstplace distance in the Shot was 51'6" and second-place distance in the Discus was 144'11" . . . Mr. and Mrs. Marlis C. Barker announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Debra Beth, to Tommy Don Burson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Burson . . . Mr. and Mrs. David Hunter are

parents of a son, Ross David.... July 14, 1966-- Rainbow Girls have Founder's Day party . . . Mr. and Mrs. Larry West are parents of a son, Charles Lee . . . Mary Schott has been attending school at South Plains Junior College at Levelland this summer . . . Mrs. Lem Weaver and Max were recent visitors with Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Taylor in Los Angeles, CaliforniaWhitfield at Farwell. He works in. . . BriscoeCountygrainthe ASC office in Farwell . . . A production was up in 1965 . . . family reunion was held in the Mrs. D. G. Shelton spent home of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Bean Thursday night in Swisher on Sunday honoring Donald and Memorial Hospital after being Walter Bean. Walter has only overcome by heat while attending recently returned from military the REA demonstration in Tulia. home from Northwest Texas and daughters and Mr. and Mrs. Hospital Friday, and is Philip Smitherman and Marc, and

this week are Mikel Grady, Danny spent Friday with friends in

Meason, Jay Long, Jimmy Canyon... McWilliams, Trent Brown, Bob Hutsell, Lane Garvin, Bill received .78 of an inch of rain this Strange, Steve Brown, Quinn week . . . Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Montague, Ronnie Strange, Wheelock are the parents of a in Silverton. Earl Cantwell, Tommy Burson, John Burson, daughter, Mary Ann ... Born to Church of Christ minister, read Terry Bomar, Monty Teeple, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Hoyt, a the double-ring ceremony before a Mark Hutsell, Jim Davis, Clinton daughter named Barbara Janice . bank of red and white gladiolus. Dickerson and Nicky Long Miss Faye Brown, daughter of Chris Mayfield of Springer, New Mr. and Mrs. U. D. Brown of the

. Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Northcutt and Mrs. Mart Self of Haylake planned to leave Tuesday for a visit with relatives in Denver, Colorado and Torrington, Wyoming . . . Mr. and Mrs. Alvie Mayfield have returned home after having been away for two months... Elected as directors of the new theatre company are Bryant Eddleman, president; Don Burson, vice president; Dee McWilliams, secretary; Hugh Nance, second vice president; Jack Strange, treasurer . . . A group of Boy Scouts and their leader from East Billerica, Massachusetts were here Wednesday. They spent the night at Camp Haynes...

July 19, 1956-- After a thorough investigation, the officers are convinced that Jay Jones, 55, was accidentally shot while handling his gun early Friday morning, that he probably thought was unloaded. Mr. Jones was taken to the Tulia hospital where he passed away before noon . . . Home freezer school to be held at Palace Theatre ... Miss Patsy Jean Crass, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Crass, was named "Miss Lubbock of 1956" in the annual contest Friday night. Miss Crass has been selected as an **ROTC** Sweetheart at Tech where she is a senior and a LaVentana beauty... The Silverton Garden Club met in the home of Mrs. J. Lee Francis . . . E. C. Newman was taken to the Tulia hospital Tuesday where he will remain several days for treatment. He is suffering from a heart ailment... Misses LaQueta Chitty, LaJuan Curby and Becky Mallow went to Camp Kiwanis Girl Scout Camp on Sunday . . . Mrs. J. J. Vardell returned home from the Lockney hospital late Tuesday of last week. She is recuperating from major surgery. Mrs. A. M. Kendrick and children are spending several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vardell... Mr. and Mrs. Roy Allard were dinner guests of their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Shafe Weaver and children, on Monday ... Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Womack were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Doug Sewell and LeAnne

Womack Friday evening of last week . . . Mrs. Jim Whitfield spent last week with Mr. Whitfield at Farwell. He works in service in Germany. Other guests . Mrs. Ashel McDaniel returned were Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Bean recuperating from major surgery. Miss Jane Cobb and Jack Silverton Scouts at Tres Ritos Mayfield . . . Mrs. Lily Wafford

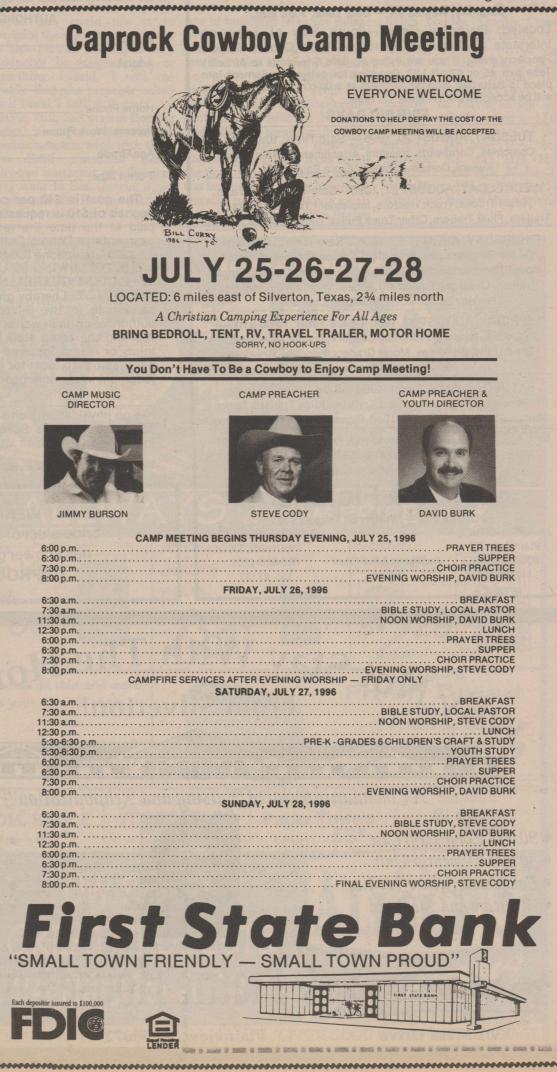
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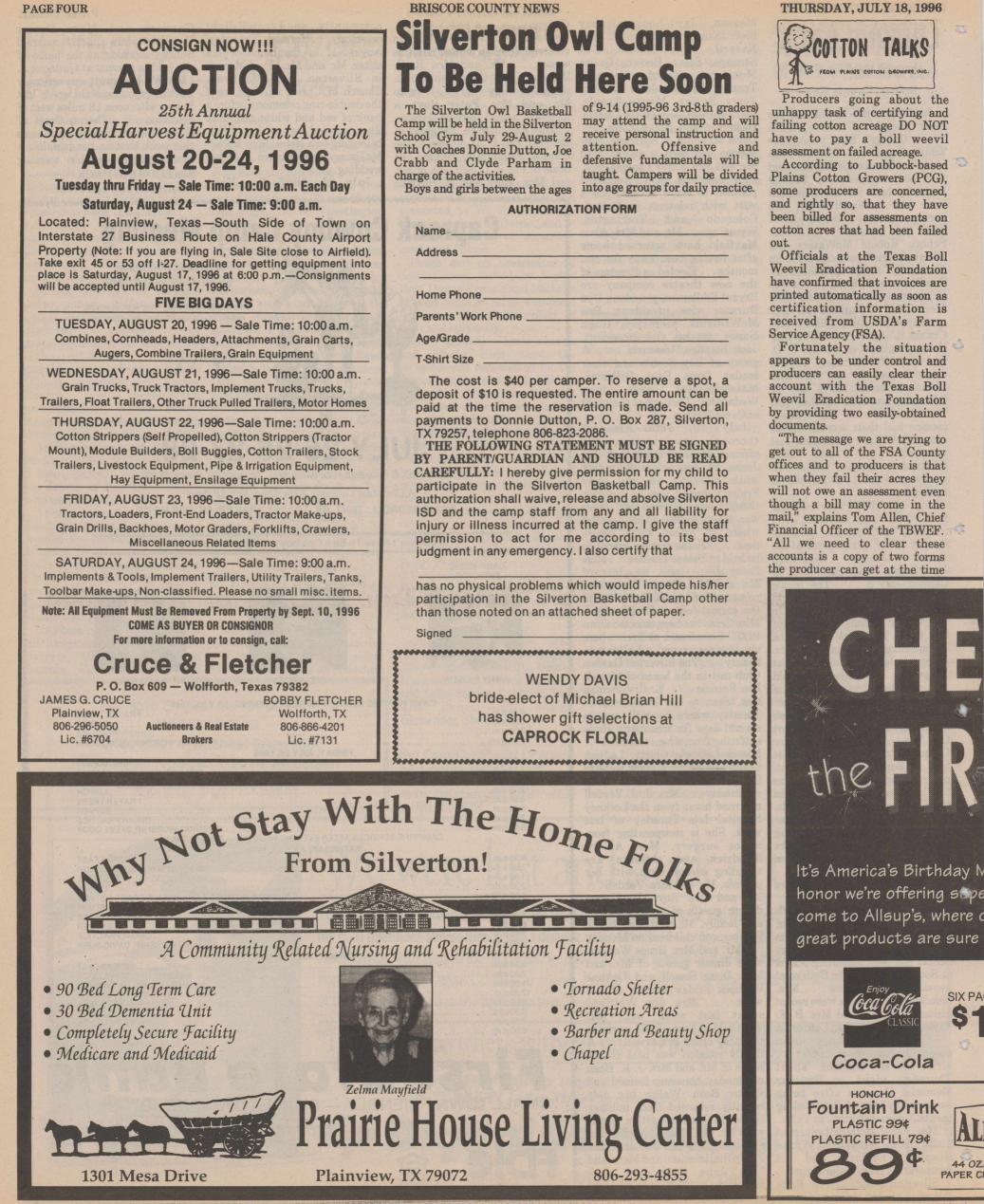
received .78 of an inch of rain this August 1, in the home of her Mexico has been a visitor with Francis community, became the Mr. and Mrs. Perry Thomas, jr... bride of Pfc. J. L. Self, son of Mr.

community, in a candlelight Garrison and Mary Dorcas August 8, 1946 -- Silverton ceremony performed Thursday, Hamilton were quietly married sister, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mercer, She carried a white Bible belonging to a sister, Mrs. Robert McJimsey, who carried it at her wedding... July 16, 1935-- Ray Keltz See LOOKING BACK— Continued on Page Five

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Sunday morning at the home of the bride's parents at Quitaque... Mrs. W. L. Jewett was seriously hurt in an automobile wreck last Friday afternoon 18 miles west of Silverton . . . Theron Crass of Crass Motor Company announces this week that he has installed a new electric portable welding





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THURSDAY, JULY 18, 1996 they certify their acreage—a copy of FSA Form 574 and TBWEF's

Proof of Crop Destruction Form." Allen notes that producers simply need to fill out these forms and return them to TBWEF's Abilene office and their account failed acres.

Producers filling out the TBWEF form should simply include their name, address, farm number, and acreage figures, cot both planted and failed. That and 15. their signature is all that is necessary

PCG officials expect to hear on Friday a final decision on whether or not any other signatures will be required on the Proof of Crop Destruction form.

"We have been working with the TBWEF since this issue first came up a few days ago to develop a workable solution for High Plains producers," says PCG Executive Vice President Donald Johnson. "As a result of this effort it appears that the Foundation will indeed eliminate the requirement for any the requirement for any additional signatures on the form and accept them with the producer's signature only."

Another important piece of information is that when a producer sends in these forms it will clear all accounts associated with the individual farm numbers. Landlords do not have to send in a second form. Any accounts that have payments received prior to receipt of the

FSA 574 and the Proof of Crop Destruction forms will be reviewed and refunds issued automatically.

Producers who want to have 1996 cotton production eligible will be changed to reflect the for the upland marketing loan program, or who would like to receive Loan Deficiency Payments should they become available, must certify their 1996 cotton acreage prior to August

According to Lubbock-based Plains Cotton Growers, the FAIR Act of 1996 does not require a producer of program crops to certify acreage except in specific instances. One of those instances happens to be loan eligibility.

Some producers are electing to certify their crop acreage in order to keep their Farm Service Agency files as up to date as possible even though they are not specifically required to do so by

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Celebration

August 9-10

BRISCOE COUNTY NEWS LOOKING BACK—

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. Marriage licenses machine . were issued last week to Lem D. Lyles and Ida Graves; G. M. Bedwell and Clara Mae Hale; Aubrey R. Preston and Martha Jean Reagan . . . Editor Roy Hahn wrote: "I've got some High Quality 2-for-a-nickel cigars at the office. Come in and get one. If you can't stand the old rag taste, come in and get one anyway. Maybe you could use it to fumigate the chicken house with.

This getting married is very conducive to stage fright or something. I said, 'I will,' so weakly that the preacher asked dealer, plentipotentiary, had a nice business last week with three new F-30 Farmalls being delivered southeast of Silverton. They went to Ben Garvin, J. A.

to his salesmanship, very little to Shop. Chas. Johnson and Doc the pulling power of the ads in the Briscoe County News, and goes back to 1880 and says that the gents just wanted them and bought them. However, I get an ad out of him pretty often, strictly a donation, of course" . . . W. B. Chandler of Quitaque was

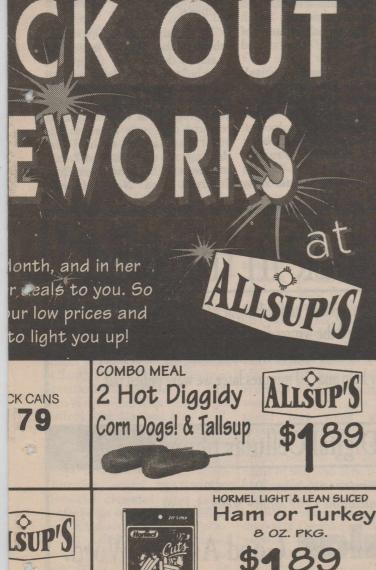
in Silverton Tuesday... May 7, 1926-- Better Homes Week being observed in Silverton ... Tuesday night a group of men began searching for fire along the row of buildings from the Bomar Drug Store south as they could smell pine burning. It is said a few had been hunting for nearly an hour when smoke was discovered coming from the Grady Burson Blackstone me if I said 'I will' or 'I won't'... Grady Burson Blackstone Marvin Tull, McCormick-Deering confectionery building. Entrance was gained by breaking through a window and the fire was discovered in a little room under the floor, in the northwest part of the building . . . Doug Northcutt Ziegler and H. P. Howard. Mr. has sold to Leonard Nelson a half

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Jones are the barbers for the firm . Miss Billie Haynes had her tonsils removed last week at the Plainview Sanitarium . . . County Fair catalogue now being printed

. . . Boy Scout organization perfected, and members are Elmer Stinson, Geo. Snapka, Rex Dickerson, Clagett Anderson, Jerry Burson, Eugene Dickerson, Alan Dickerson, Klee Dickerson, James Patton, Keltz Garrison, Ronald Anderson, Oden Pyeatt, Ralph Gunter, Orville Cowart, Max Burson, Earl Allard, Gale Meeker, Freddie Biffle, Jack Wright, Winifred Baird, Clinton Brown, Hollis Evans, Obra Watson and Herbert Davis . . . A number of Silvertonites were fishing on the Hancock and Deep Lakes Saturday night. One party included Mr. and Mrs. Scott Smithee, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Lusk, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lee Bain, Mr. and Mrs. Walters, Dean Allard and Bertha Mae Stevenson





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Birthday Reception Honors Mrs. Boyce

Dorothy Doleta Boyce enjoyed Theta Holt.

greeting 104 relatives and friends who came to extend their best wishes on the occasion of her Lois ninetieth birthday anniversary J. D. Ellis and Rex Holt. during a reception Sunday

afternoon in the Pioneer Room at First State Bank in Silverton. The party was hosted by her children, Harold, Alvie and Harve Boyce, Lottie Garrison and Icy Bornschein, all of whom were present to enjoy the day together.

Guests were served birthday cake, punch, coffee, toasted pecans, vegetables and dips and assorted cheeses bv grandchildren, Dona Smith and Bob Boyce, great-granddaughters, Devona Smith, D'anna Russell and Renee' Fuston, and great-great-granddaughter, Wynter Smith. Red roses and white baby's breath decorated the refreshment table.

An arrangement of 24 longstemmed yellow roses was sent by a niece, Barbara Denniston and her family of Phoenix, Arizona, who were unable to attend.

Another granddaughter, Roy Reed, presided at the registry and secured the names of those who attended for Mrs. Boyce's guest book. A great-grandson, Mickey Smith, Smith, and great-great-grandchildren, Tara Smith, Colton and Shanea' Russell, also Planned August 3 visited with guests.

Members of the houseparty for the reception included Euphemia (RNR), a non-profit organization Barraza, Melissa and Andrea that provides health and safety

Nephews attending included Riley Ziegler, who with his wife, takes Mrs. Boyce to church;

Among those attending from out of town were J. D. and Mattye Lou Ellis, L. W. Huntington, Plainview; John D., D'anna, Colton and Shanea' Russell, Matador, Harve and Marie Boyce, Lubbock; Alvie Boyce, Crestone, Dave and Colorado: Icv Bornschein, Anchorage, Alaska; Harold and Linda Boyce, Las Vegas, Nevada; Devonna Smith, Amarillo; a great-nephew, Dean Ziegler, Josh and Karter, Colorado City; Rex and Renee Fuston, Turkey; a great-niece, Dara Ware and Cody, Floydada; Eric Dudley, E. G. and Barb Reed, Quitaque; Bill and Cliftene Hiett, Tulia; Bob Boyce, San Jose, California. Another great-nephew, Brad Ziegler, attended with his wife, JonEtta, who arranged the flowers for the occasion, and their children, Trey and Townlii Ziegler, all of Silverton. A great-niece, Sandra Frizzell, attended with her husband, Jerry, and their granddaughters, all of Silverton.

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> We Have Shower Selections For WENDY DAVIS bride-elect of Michael Brian Hill May We Help You Select a Gift For the Couple? Mary John's Flowers & Gifts

BRISCOE COUNTY NEWS Couple Honored at Wedding Shower

The Pioneer Room at First State Bank in Silverton at two o'clock in the afternoon on Saturday, July 13, was the setting for a wedding shower honoring Donna Rowell and her fiance, Delton Cleveland, of Lubbock.

The guests were greeted and registered by Elaine Forbes and presented to W. D. and Peggy Rowell, parents of Donna, and to LaRue Cleveland of Amarillo, mother of Delton.

Punch and an assortment of cookies were served by Donna Holt, Donna Francis and Michelle Francis from a table decorated with the bride-elect's colors of

navy and burgundy. Ruby Graham, Glenda Francis and Theta Holt kept the refreshments replenished on the serving table and did kitchen duty. Dara Ware, Carol Martin and Mary Jane Patton helped with the couple's gift list. Sharon Simpson was banker for the affair. Shirley afternoon got the other Henderson hostesses together and helped with everything to make the shower a success.

Other hostesses who helped and couldn't attend Saturday are Peggy Garvin, Maebelle Francis, Carlye Fleming, Janice Hill and

Peggy Fleming. Yorktowne stoneware dishes for eight was the hostesses gift to the couple. Scented sachet bags were presented to the hostesses by Donna's mother, Peggy.

Out-of-town guests were Shiralon Stevens of San Angelo; Judy Jo and Jaylee Felts, Dumas; Margaret Rice, Donna Bollinger and Zelda Strong, Lubbock; Judy Rice, Sunray, and Shanay Hernandez, Slaton.

Red Cross Community CPR/First Aid Class on August 3, 1996.

For more information or to sign up for the class, call RNR's office at 806-983-8096

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July 24-Jordan Ryan Morris, Suzette Nistler, Marsha Brunson, Melody Farley, Brewster Cip Garcia

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July 18--Mr. and Mrs. Dwain Tipton, Mr. and Mrs. Kyle Bean July 19--Mr. and Mrs. John Daniels

July 20--Mr. and Mrs. Mike Grady

July 23--Mr. and Mrs. Stan Fogerson, Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Thomas

July 24--Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Baird, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Smith

Present Piano Recital In Lubbock Recently

Sarah Henderson and Kyle Price were presented in a piano recital by Shelly Price on Saturday, June 29, in the home of Wayne and Katy Henderson in Lubbock.

Recital programs were handed out by Annie Henderson. Sarah and Kyle each played a number of selections that they had memorized.

Following the recital. refreshments of punch and cookies were served to Randy, Shelly, Kyle and Leah Price, Gerald and Joy Baldwin, Joe and Glona Henderson, all of Lubbock; Alvie and Glenda Francis, Silverton; Patrick Drew, Coppell; Sarah, Annie, Wayne and Katy Colorado and New Mexico. Henderson.

THURSDAY, JULY 18, 1996 FERC Sets Expedited July 18--Caleb Francis, Devin Schedule for Review **Of SPS-PSCo Merger**

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission has announced an expedited schedule and a date of January 31, 1997, for an initial decision on the proposed merger of Southwestern Public Service Company (NYSE:SPS) and Public Service Co. of Colorado (NYSE:PSR) to create New Service Century Energies, Inc.

Based on that January date, the companies would expect a final decision by the commission and completion of the merger in the spring of 1997; however, settlement with all parties before however, the issue goes to hearing could result in an earlier completion.

SPS Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Bill D. Helton said the issues identified by FERC are those that the companies expected to be addressed; the impact on competition and protection for rate payers.

"We are very pleased with the limited and focused scope of the FERC issues, and we are pleased to be moving forward," Helton said. "We had been working toward a completion as early as this fall, but we understand the degree of change in the utility industry with which the FERC is having to deal. Still, it is important to proceed as quickly as reasonable, because there are merger cost-savings and other benefits for our customers that cannot begin until the merger is complete.

"By terming this an expedited schedule, the FERC is indicating it wants this review to proceed quickly," said PSCo President and Chief Executive Officer Wayne H. Brunetti. "We continue to make good progress as well in seeking required approvals from various other regulatory authorities. Hearings are under way in Texas. and are set to begin next month in

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"I wanted to take a group of young people from our church on a picnic and fishing at a local farm pond. However, my good intentions almost turned into a disaster when I received the wrong directions on how to get to the pond. After driving what seemed like in circles, we ended up stuck in sand four or five miles from the main road. Fortunately, I had a Digital Cellular car phone. I called for help and 30 minutes later we were pulled out of the sand and headed in the right direction."

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CARDS OF THANKS

for all the many prayers that appreciated. were offered up in Wad's behalf. Also for the cards and letters of us

God bless you. Wad and Peggy

Volunteer Fire Department. Also thanks to Doug and Jeanetta Bradford, Rena Schott, John and Beverly Bowman, Sylvia Fogerson, Stan and Waynelle Couch, Jack and Eloise Strange, Bud and Glenda Couch, Aubrey Rowell, Carl and Dorothy Bomar, J. C. and Thada Fowler, L. D. and Roberta Griffin, Dwight and Anita Ramsey, J. E. and Mary Jane Patton, Bonnie May, John and LaQuetta Schott, Shafe and Jonnie Weaver, Jerry and Brenda Patton, Leon and Pat Lavy, Lottie Garrison, David and Reba Tipton, Charles and Mary Ann Sarchet for their memorial gifts. We appreciate each one.

Sincerely, Silverton Fire Department

19-tfc Dear friends and neighbors,

Once again you have shown us such compassion and friendship. "Thanks" just doesn't seem to be enough to be said. All of your prayers, visits, plants, cards and gifts were greatly appreciated.

A special thanks to Duane Reynolds, Jess Little and Ted Kingery for being with our family during the surgery. You all have been wonderful to us. Without all of your love and support, we could never have gotten through these rough times. We thank the good Lord for allowing us to be part of such a wonderful community. May the Lord bless us all.

Thanks.

Johnny and Mary Asebedo and family

The family of Ruth Hunt would like to thank all of the friends and neighbors in Silverton for their sympathy and kindness during our time of sadness. The prayers, We would like to say thank you food and flowers were deeply

Silverton Little League would encouragement. Words cannot like to thank D & K express how much they meant to Manufacturing, Malt Shop, Grabbe-Simpson and Lavy Pump Service for their donations. Also, thank you to BCAA for the Thank you to Sandra Frizzell and Ronald Dale Kitchens for your donation to the Silverton bleachers and to the City for upkeep of the field. We appreciate all of your support!

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