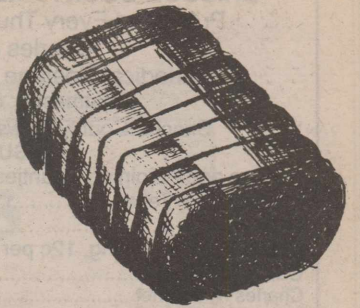


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Mary Monroe Strange called me the other day to tell me that she is the new editor of *The Kress Chronicle*. This is very exciting for me to have a newspaper neighbor that I know as well as Mary—even though I haven't seen her much in recent years.

Mary's mother, Iwana Monroe, and sister, Carlye Fleming, continue to live in Silvertown, so she makes it over here pretty often.

When Mary was in Silvertown High School, she was editor of the school newspaper. She married a hometown boy, Louie Strange, and they have lived at Kress much of their married lives. They reared a couple of sons there, and for the past several years, Mary has been working in Plainview. She told me that she really lost touch with people in Kress during the time when she was out of town.

She is happy to be back spending all of her time "at home" and learning a new occupation. She is writing a column, "Mary's Musings," for her newspaper.

In her first issue of the paper last week, she wrote something that is true of Kress and equally so of Silvertown. She said, "Each and everyone that lives in this area makes up the distinctive personality that is our community."

Mary has been a subscriber to the *Briscoe County News* for many years, and decided that she wanted to add a "Looking Back" column to her newspaper. I know it will be as popular with her readers as it is with ours.

Good luck in your new venture, Mary; I hope you will enjoy it as much as we do!

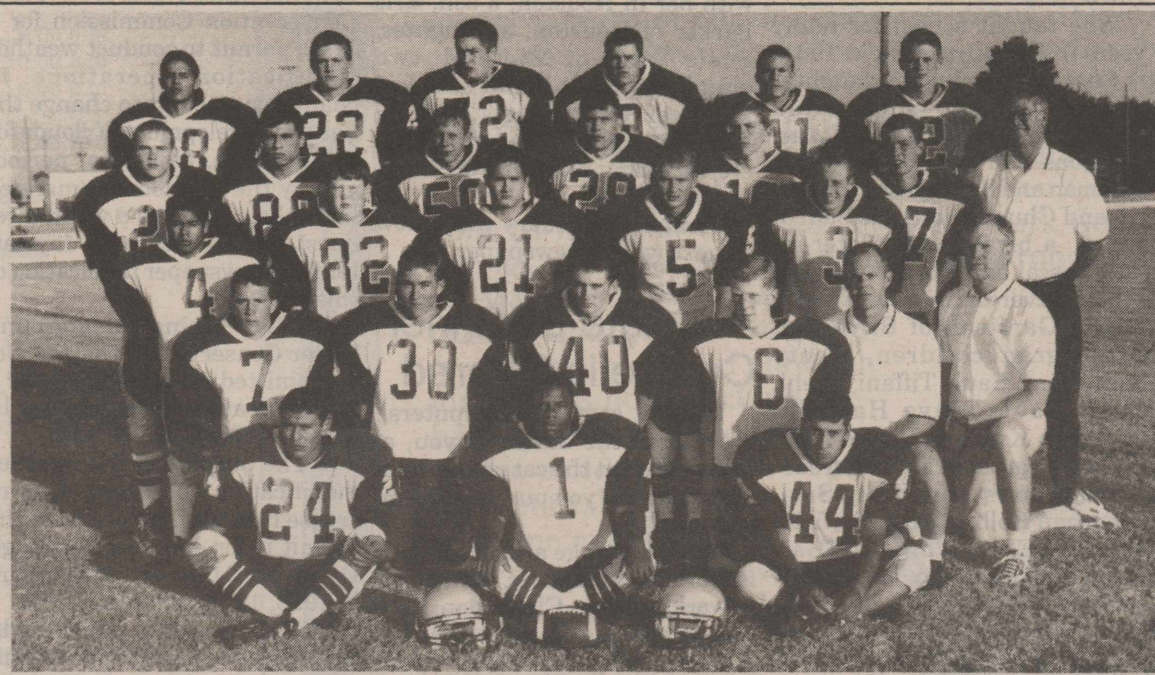
Stew Lunch, Bake Sale Is Planned Nov. 18

United Methodist Women will be sponsoring a stew lunch and bake sale in the fellowship hall of the church Tuesday, November 18. The luncheon will be served from 11:00 a.m. until all the stew is gone.

On the menu will be homemade stew, cornbread and cobbler. The price is \$4.00 for adults and \$2.00 for children 12 and under.

Everyone is invited to enjoy this church fund-raiser.

Wear Red Today!



THE OWLS--(back row, left to right) Vince Cruz, Charlie Bomar, Jay Hicks, Trey Ziegler, Jeremy Holt, Jack Cherry; (fourth row) Chris Justice, Jay Arnold, Trey Wyatt, Jared Holt, Nathan Francis, Max Whitworth, Coach Larry Mantle; (third row) Paul Segura, Ryan Minyard, Andy Bullock, David Gamble, Donny Burson; (kneeling) Leland Wood, Will Hester, Jared Francis, Tyler Young, Coach Joe Crabb, Coach Donnie Dutton; (sitting) Adrian Ramirez, Clint Ivory, Amos Lopez.

Owls Entering State Football Playoffs With Jayton Tonight at Crosbyton

Silvertown's Owls will be entering the State Football Playoffs tonight (Thursday) at Crosbyton with the Jayton Jaybirds. Kick-off is at 7:30 p.m. and Silvertown will be the visiting team and fans will be sitting on the visitors' side of the field.

Admission will be \$3.00 for adults and \$1.00 for students.

The Pep Rally will be at 10:00 a.m. today (Thursday) in the Owl Gym.

The Owls lost the battle but won the war at Three Way Friday night. It came down to winning a coin flip to see whether Three Way, Whitharral or Silvertown would be the district runner-up and advance into the playoffs.

The representatives of the three schools were there for the meeting after the game, Superintendent Frank Kirchoffner told the *Briscoe County News*. Each had a coin and after instructions about how the flipoff would be conducted, each flipped his coin. They all came up tails.

"On the second toss Coach Mantle's hands were shaking so that I thought he was about to drop his coin," Mr. Kirchoffner continued. "The other two revealed that their coins were lying tails again, and Coach Mantle just kept his hand over his coin. I

told him to raise a finger, and when he did I glimpsed that the coin was lying heads. I told him to go ahead and raise his hand off the coin, and there it was--heads!"

The Owls (7-03, 3-2) could have finished as the District 3-A Six Man sole runnerup but the loss to the Eagles--in which the difference was PAT conversions--threw second place into a three-way tie.

Silvertown will play District 4-A champion Jayton (9-1, 5-0), a 66-18 winner over Patton Springs, for the bi-district title.

Jared Holt kicked off for the Owls, and the ball sailed into and out of the endzone, as usual. This gave Three Way a first down on the 20, and on their first play they completed a pass which was held by Trey Wyatt to about eight yards. They made a first down on the next play, stopped by Leland Wood and Andy Bullock, and received a motion penalty on the next play. Their next first down came on the 10, stopped by Clint Ivory, and the Eagles scored from less than a yard out. They kicked their PAT, and moved into an 8-0 lead.

Three Way kicked off short, the ball went out of bounds, and the Owls took it there on the 30. Jeremy Holt and Trey Ziegler combined talents for a first down on

the Three Way 35, after which Jack Cherry passed to Jeremy for a touchdown. Ziegler carried the PAT into the endzone, and the Owls held the short end of the 8-7 score.

Jared Holt kicked another touchdown for the Eagles, and defense by Wyatt and Jared Francis held the Eagles at their 37. Will Hester, Chris Justice, Wyatt and Wood were leading the defense as the Eagles made another first down on the Silvertown 26. Time expired in the first quarter, and the second period opened with Wood, Francis and Wyatt holding the Eagles to little gain, and getting the ball back for the Owls on their 34.

The Owls bobbled the ball, then Cherry completed a pass to Jeremy Holt. An incomplete pass brought up fourth down, and Jared Holt punted to the Three Way 30.

The Eagles came out passing, and Wyatt broke up his second pass of the game. Needing eight for a first down, they punted to the Silvertown 20. The Owls were unable to move the ball on this series, and punted to the Three Way 10.

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Catholic Church To Sell Turkey, Dressing Lunch

Our Lady of Loreto Catholic Church will serve a Thanksgiving lunch Monday, November 17, in the church hall beginning at 11:30 a.m.

The menu will include turkey, dressing, gravy, potatoes, green beans, tea and pie for \$5.00 a plate.

You may eat in or take this meal out.

Pep Rally Is This Morning

Pep Rally for the Silvertown Owls will begin at 10:00 a.m. in the Owl Gym today (Thursday).

Kickoff in the playoff game between the Owls and the Jayton Jaybirds will be at 7:30 p.m. today (Thursday) at Crosbyton.

Everyone is invited to be at the Pep Rally to give the team a big sendoff to the playoffs.

Arts & Crafts Jubilee To Be Held Nov. 22

The Christmas Arts & Crafts Jubilee will be held from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. at the Showbarn in Silvertown on Saturday, November 22.

Whether you are planning to have a booth to sell things you have made or whether you are looking for special handmade Christmas gifts for your family and friends, this is an event you won't want to miss!

Tax Office To Be Closed Nov. 17-20

Briscoe County Tax Assessor-Collector Betty Ann Stephens states that her office will be closed November 17-20 for an educational school held at College Station.

Please keep these dates in mind as you do your registration and title work on vehicles.

Go! Fight! Win!

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Obituaries

HUDSON GARRISON SAUL

Services for Susie Hudson Garrison Saul, 77, of Waco were conducted at 2:00 p.m. Saturday at the First Baptist Church in Idalou with the Rev. Calvin Gray, pastor, officiating.

Burial was in the Plainview Cemetery under the direction of White Funeral Home of Idalou.

Mrs. Saul died Thursday, November 6, in Ridgecrest Retirement Center in Waco following a lengthy illness.

She was born in Flomot in 1920 to Gabe and Susie (Janie) Garrison, and married Leroy Saul May 20, 1939 in Plainview. He died March 24, 1992.

She was graduated from Silver-

ton High School and attended Wayland Baptist University and graduated from West Texas State University.

She taught school for many years in Kress, retiring in 1981.

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Sherry and Chuck Kolb of Portland, Texas; two sons and daughters-in-law, Weymon and Shirley Saul of Austin and Chuck and Doris Saul of Waco; a brother and sister-in-law, Pascal and Donaleta Garrison of Silverton; a sister-in-law, Lottie Garrison of Silverton; seven grandchildren, Monty Saul, Kimi Saul, Tiffani Koehl, Tracy Saul, Tonya Hatfield, Jonathan Kolb and LeAnn Kolb; and three great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Tracy Saul, Jonathan Kolb, Steven Hatfield, Jim Saul, Elmer White, Cliff Garrison, Tom Garrison, Max Garrison and Monty Saul.

The family suggested memorials be to the Garrison/Elrod Scholarship Fund at First Baptist Church in Silverton, P. O. Box 600, Silverton, Texas 79257, or to the American Cancer Society.

FERN PARKER

Funeral services were pending at Myers-Long Funeral Directors at presstime this week for Fern Parker, who died Monday in Houston where she had under-

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gone treatment for leukemia the past several months.

Mrs. Parker attended Clarendon College and earned her bachelors degree and teaching certificate from West Texas State University. Later she received the master of education degree.

She was employed in the Silverton School Cafeteria for eight years, and began her career as a first grade teacher in January 1974. She retired due to her health in the spring of 1995.

Survivors include her husband, Charlie Parker, who has been with her in Houston; a son, Brit Parker of Houston; a daughter, Susie Yates of Midland; two granddaughters, Randi and Jeri Parker of Houston; a sister, Ruby Martinez of Silverton; and brothers, including Ed Norris of Silverton.

A complete obituary will follow in next week's newspaper.

Absolute Beginner Course is Offered

When it comes to computers, are you in the dark? To you, a mouse is what the cat chases and CDs are what you purchase from your banker.

Take the plunge and learn how to work the computer, instead of it working you. Clarendon College is offering an *Absolute Beginners Computer* class beginning Monday, November 24. Taught by Pam Denney, CC Technology Chair, the class is guaranteed to be fun and aimed for those who are true rookies when it comes to computers.

"We'll cover all the bases, from how to turn on the machine, use the mouse, and find what you need on the computer," Denny said.

The *Absolute Beginners Computer* class will be offered on Mondays, from 6-9 p.m. beginning November 24. The class will meet three times and will be offered in the CC Administration Building, room 203. Cost of the course is \$25. To reserve your seat in the *Absolute Beginners Computer* class or for more information, please call Clarendon College at 806-874-3571.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO CONDUCT WEATHER MODIFICATION OPERATIONS IN THE STATE OF TEXAS

Date of the first of three weekly publications of this Notice: November 12, 1997

1. Notice is hereby given that High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1, a political subdivision of the State, 2930 Avenue Q, Lubbock, Texas 79405, has filed an application with the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission for a State permit to conduct weather modification operations to change or attempt to change the natural development of clouds for the purpose, objective, period, and by the method summarized hereinbelow unless a written request is filed within 30 days after first newspaper publication of this notice.

2. High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 submitted an application for a Texas weather modification license on November 6, 1997.

3. The purpose of the weather modification operation is to increase rainfall. The period of the permit is for January 1 through December 31 in each of the years of 1998, 1999, 2000, and 2001.

4. The proposed weather modification operation is to be conducted for and on behalf of the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1, a political subdivision of the State, 2930 Avenue Q, Lubbock, Texas 79405.

5. The proposed weather modification operation is to be carried out in both an "operational area" and "a target area" to cause the intended effects to occur only in the target area. The operational area is that area including Armstrong, Bailey, Castro, Cochran, Crosby, Deaf Smith, Floyd, Garza, Hale, Hockley, Lamb, Lubbock, Lynn, Oldham, Parmer, Potter, Randall, Terry and Yoakum Counties, which is the target area and those portions of the following counties within 30 miles of the outer boundary of the target area: Gaines, Dawson, Borden, Garza, Dickens, Motley, Moore, Briscoe, Swisher, Hartley, Carson, and Kent Counties and Quay,

Roosevelt, Curry, and Lea Counties in New Mexico.

6. The area to be affected by the proposed weather modification operation is the target area. The target area is that area described as the southwestern part of Armstrong County and all of Bailey, Castro, Cochran, Crosby, Deaf Smith, Floyd, Garza, Hale, Hockley, Lamb, Lubbock, Lynn, Oldham, Parmer, Potter, Randall, Terry, and Yoakum Counties.

7. The methods and materials to be used in conducting this operation are summarized herein: A licensed meteorologist will select cumuloform clouds or other appropriate clouds for cloud-seeding using a weather radar display, standard meteorological

analyses, forecasting techniques, surface weather observations, and pilot reports to initiate the release of the seeding particles, such as silver iodide crystals, from airplanes equipped with flare racks and/or generators.

8. Persons interested in knowing more about the technical aspects of the proposed operation should contact the applicant or George Bomar, MC 158, TNRCC, P. O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, (512) 239-0770.

9. A public hearing on this application may be called on receipt by TNRCC of petitions bearing at least 25 signatures. Petitions requesting a hearing should be mailed to the Executive Director, Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, P. O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. The petition must contain (1) the signature, full name, address, and phone number of each person requesting; (2) a statement that each person is at least 18 years of age and resides or owns property in the operational area; and (3) a description of each person's interest and how that interest would be adversely affected. Requests for hearing must be received by the Commission within 30 days of the date of the first publication of this notice. More information on calling a hearing can be obtained through the Legal Services Division of the Commission (512-239-0660) or through the Office of Hearing Examiners (512-239-4100).

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November 12, 1987-Ashleigh Wyatt wins fourth place in the preteen division of the State Make-It-Yourself-With-Wool contest . . . Juannah Woods has been presented a National Commemorative certificate in recognition of being a national winner in Spanish for 1987 . . . Mr. and Mrs. T. V. McClure and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Brannon recently spent six days fishing at Stamford . . . Caprock Country to play at the Jane Brooks Jubilee, a benefit for the School for the Deaf at Chickasha, Oklahoma . . . Commissioners approve building of shelter on courthouse yard . . . Elaine LaBaume and John David Turner are winners of Silver Spur awards in recognition of their outstanding service as 4-H leaders in Floyd County . . . Mr. and Mrs. Brent Brannon are parents of a daughter, Sage Lynn . . . Owls clinch playoff berth with 31-6 win over Southland . . .

November 17, 1977-Owls, Owlettes win pair of games from Lockney . . . True Burson buried here Saturday . . . Weather modification vote fails in Hale County . . . Owlettes could be team to watch in Queen's Classic . . . Mr. and Mrs. Gaston Owens will be honored Sunday, November 27, with a reception in observance of their Silver Wedding Anniversary . . . Saturday morning, members of Boy Scout Troop 262 traveled south of Quitaque for a weekend of camping on the Bill Sauls Ranch. Those who participated in the trip were Ron Boling, Kyle Couch, Cary Fleming, Cam Forbes, Eber Gill, Michael Greenhaw, Monroe Hill, Mitcheal Martin, Craig Patton, Eric Patton, Mark Patton, Mitchell Roehr, Bryan Scott and leaders Mike Long and John McCammon . . . New FBLA members are Carol Cobb, Greg Hill, Mike Cornett, Diji Couch, James Jarrett, Nicky McJimsey, Karen Martin, Traci Mayfield, Connie Rowell, Marilyn Hardin, Doris Cabello, Melissa Greenhaw, Patti Perkins, Lisa Childress, Mark Brown, Diana Ortega, Jennifer Martin, Rose Lee Perkins and Mitchell Roehr . . .

November 9, 1967-Owls give Clarendon Bronchos close race; host Claude next . . . Mrs. Emilee Stephens is buried here . . . Announcement has been made of the purchase of Douglas Flower Shop by Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Stephens . . . Members of the Silverton Rainbow Assembly went to Tulia for a joint meeting Saturday, accompanied by Mrs. Pat Whitfill and Mrs. Carolyn Self. LaQuita Croft was the only candidate initiated. Girls who filled stations for the ceremony were Norline Offield, Vicki Vaughan, Barbara Davis and Brenda Beames. Jane Self, Grand Representative from Arkansas to Texas, was presented as a special guest . . .

Seven seniors to play in their last football game. They are Lynn Frizzell, Joe Mercer, Dale Sissney, Randy Cantwell, Van May, Tim Mattheus and Harvey Masey. Debbie Dickerson, a four-year cheerleader, and Nancy Long, a senior cheerleader who recently was crowned Football Queen, will be cheering their team on to one last victory . . . Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Baird and Kerry spent the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Baird and Mr. and Mrs. Bryant Eddleman . . . Mr. and Mrs. Lee D. Bomar were in Amarillo Saturday. Mrs. Bomar attended a meeting of the Council for Exceptional Children, of which she is a member . . .

November 21, 1957-Bill Bingham is badly burned Sunday in gas explosion . . . Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Lanham have a new frame house moved in just east of their present home just off the town section in southwest Silverton . . . Rev. and Mrs. Porter Arnold have been in and out of here the last two weeks visiting their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mack Walker and children, and working on their new three bedroom home which was moved in from Lubbock last week . . . S. M. (Oklahoma) Rodgers, 92, Swisher County rancher since 1897, died November 14 in a San Angelo hospital . . . Mrs. J. H. May and Mrs. Elmer May were in Tulia Monday afternoon . . . Mrs. D. G. Shelton has recently spent a week in Tulia with her son and family while she was recuperating from illness . . . Mmes. R. M. Hill, Joe Fowler and Robert Ledbetter attended a WSCS Workshop in Tulia last Friday . . . Mrs. Fannie Ward arrived here Saturday to spend a few day with Mrs. Dan Montague, Misses Ann and Nell Bryant and Messrs. W. J. and D. D. Bryant . . . Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Smithee and children visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Smithee and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Tunnell, and other relatives here Sunday afternoon . . .

November 13, 1947-Last rites held for Mrs. C. S. (Aunt Dove) Washington . . . Silverton defeated Lakeview 33-6 in sub-zero weather here last Friday night . . . John Wimberly home from Paris on 45-day leave . . . First moisture in months falling today . . . Mrs. Joe Mercer and Mrs. T. R. Whiteside were business visitors in Tulia Wednesday . . . Jake Honea, who underwent major surgery at the Plains hospital in Lubbock Tuesday, November 5, is reported in good condition this week . . . Mrs. R. E. Stephens was admitted to the Abel Sanitarium in Lubbock Monday for treatment . . . Presbyterian ladies meet in the home of Mrs. Tony Burson . . . Saturday, November 1, at 1:30 o'clock in the home of Mrs. C. C. Mor-

gan at Anton, Texas, Miss Lillian Brooks, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bud Brooks of the Haylake community, became the bride of Mr. Glenn Lindsey, son of Mrs. Leavie Lindsey of Silverton . . . Miss Mary Dell Johnston will present her piano and choral pupils in a recital at the high school auditorium Thursday night . . .

October 28, 1925-G. W. Whitehead was in town Tuesday from the Lakeview community with his first bale of cotton. He will have about 40 bales of good snapped cotton, he says . . . W. M. Draper is building a carpenter shop just south of the Willson & Son Lumber Company . . . Last Thursday evening the faculty of the public school with several guests motored to the Schott Cap and there enjoyed a weinnie roast. Those enjoying this happy occasion were Mr. and Mrs. Gourley, Mr. and Mrs. Redin, Misses Anderson, Christopher, Dodson, Turner, Berry, Grigg and Jagers, Messrs. Todd Norris, Reynold, Simpson, Skeen, Draper and Buels . . . A sock supper will be given by the vocational departments Friday. Everybody is invited to come and bring a pair of socks well filled with fruit, candy, nuts, etc. The socks will be auctioned in the same way as boxes are at a box supper . . . Members of the B-Sharp Music Club are Misses Anna Burson,

Iris Crawford, Zelda Brown, Lillian Dickerson, Marian Breaker, Marie Thomas, Marguerite Morgan, Eloise Morgan, Hazel Fort, Lavaca Moore, Elva Wright, Nina Trawick, Anderson and Alvin Redin and Mr. Coleman Draper . . . Mr. and Mrs. Walter Fogerson charmingly entertained with a 42 party Wednesday night. Large platters of homemade candy provided refreshments during the evening. Attending were Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Meeker, Mr. and Mrs. Miner Crawford, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Dickerson, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Douglas, Mr. and Mrs. Temp Whiteside, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Whitaker, Mr. and Mrs. Clay Fowler, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Wright and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Fogerson . . .

Happy Birthday-

November 13--Bob Rauch, Krischel Perkins, Doug Forbes, Glenda Francis, Stacy Bain
November 14--E. A. Birdwell, Robert Wayne Bell, Jennifer Turner, Lindsey Alison Williams
November 15--Mildred Reid, Justin McFall, Shane Reagan, Victor McGavock, Thelma Sheely, Jennifer Daugherty
November 16--G. W. Chappell, Wimpy Vardell, Cam Forbes, Greg Garcia, Donna Francis, London Cantwell

Happy Anniversary-

November 15--Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Martin
November 16--Mr. and Mrs. Ashel McDaniel
November 17--Mr. and Mrs. Don Glenn
November 19--Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Fowler

Jon Ivory is Home On 23-Day Leave

Jon Ivory is spending a 23-day leave at home with his family and friends prior to being transferred to Seoul, South Korea.

He is presently stationed in Georgia near where his maternal grandmother lives, and he has enjoyed numerous visits with her since he was inducted into the armed forces last July.

A spring graduate of SHS, he is the son of L. B. and Mary Ivory.

November 17--Kelli Patton, Ian Dunbar, Dean Burson, David Johnston, Jana Kitchens, Don Glenn, Michael Shane Bell, Trenton Younger

November 18--DeLynn Fitzgerald, Frank Ramirez, jr., Jerry Perkins, Don Cornett
November 19--Staci Hill, Arla Polley, Frances Gamble

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Francis, Hester, Wood and Justice were dealing the Eagles all they could handle on the next drive, but the Eagles persevered and scored again. They kicked the PAT, and moved ahead 16-7.

When Three Way kicked off, they recovered their onside kick and went back on offense. This time the Owl defense held, and the ball came back to them on their 21.

Cherry passed complete to Adrian Ramiez who lateraled to Jeremy Holt for a first down before the first half ended.

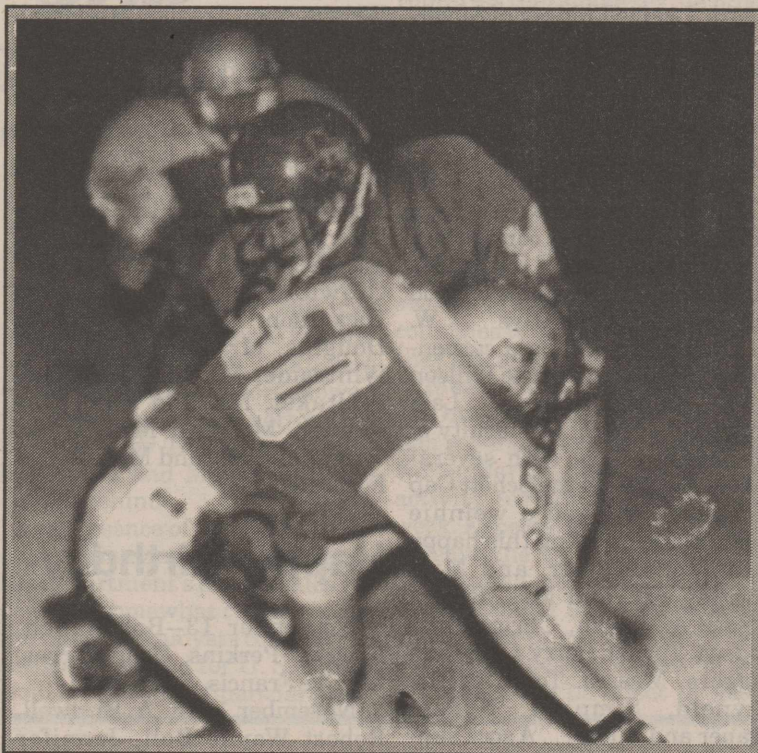
When Three Way kicked off to open the second half, Jeremy Holt took the ball and went all the way to the endzone. Cherry passed to Jeremy for the PAT, and the Owls narrowed the lead to 16-14.

When Jared Holt kicked off into the wind, the ball was playable. The Eagles took the ball and were pulverized by Wood. They made a little on their first play, stopped by Hester, and on second down, Andy Bullock chased and brought down the Eagle ballcarrier on the Silverton 10. Wyatt held the next play to no gain, but the Eagles scored on the next one. They kicked their PAT and rejoiced over their 24-14 lead.

Three Way kicked off and Wood took the onside to the 35. After two incomplete passes, Cherry hit Jeremy Holt to move the ball into scoring position, and Jeremy scored on the next play. Cherry passed complete to Jeremy for the PAT, and the Owls continued to hold the short end of the 24-21 score.

Jared Holt kicked off again and Three Way returned it to their 26, stopped there by Ziegler. They made three first downs before the third quarter came to a close. On the next play, on the Silverton 5, the Eagles fumbled and Jeremy Holt grabbed it for the Owls.

Jeremy carried the ball a couple of times, and the Owls were penalized half the distance to the goal. Cherry completed a pass to Ziegler, and the Owls saw



Trey Wyatt (50) on defense for the Owls in their game at Three Way last Friday night. The Owls lost the battle but won the war, and will be in the state playoffs tonight at 7:30 p.m. at Crosbyton against the Jayton Jaybirds.

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the referees step off half the distance again, placing the ball on the two-yard-line. After an incomplete pass, Jared Holt punted away to the 36.

The Owls held the Eagles in check on this series, and forced a punt to the Silverton 19. The Owls also were unable to move the ball, and it went back to the Eagles on the Silverton 33.

The Eagles came charging back, making a first down on the 17 and scoring again. They kicked the PAT, and moved ahead 30-21.

When Three Way kicked off, Ziegler took the ball all the way for another touchdown for the Owls. There was no PAT, and the Owls had narrowed the score to 30-27.

The Owls attempted an onside kick which went out of bounds on the Three Way 32, and the Eagles charged back until the final buzzer.

The Owls didn't really have a bad game, but they did receive some penalties at very bad times

for them which kept them in the hole and erased some of the yardage they had made. One of the men on the sideline told the *Briscoe County News* that they hadn't seen their team play that well all season. The Owls went into the game in second place in the district and the Eagles played over their heads trying to take that away from them.

The Owls have one more chance at the glory they deserve. These boys have played very well this season, and are to be commended for what they have already done. Now it's time for them to take the next step to prove they are for real, that they won't choke in the BIG game. You'll miss a good game if you don't go to Crosbyton tonight (Thursday) to cheer for the Owls. Be there!

Junior High Owls Drop Game to Three Way Eagles

Silverton's Junior High Owls ended their season at Three Way last Friday afternoon, playing the first game of the double header.

Jimmy Castillo opened the game by kicking off for the Owls, and Three Way took the ball out to their 25. They made two first downs, arriving on the Silverton 5, and picked up a couple more yards before fumbling. Nicholas Vargas alertly pounced on the ball for the Owls.

The offense was a little ragged with several fumbles throughout the game, but just before the first quarter ended, Andrew Francis took a pass from Red Ivory for a first down on the Three Way 1. On the first play of the new quarter, Castillo went into the

Win Owls!

endzone for the Owls. The PAT pass was incomplete, and the Owls led 6-0.

Castillo kicked off again, and the Eagles fumbled and recovered on their 10. They proceeded to the endzone, and knotted the score at 6-6. Their PAT kick was no good.

The Owls came back with runs by Castillo, but the Owls fumbled and the ball went over to the Eagles. The Eagles came back with a touchdown pass that was called back due to a penalty, and this series ended with the ball going back to the Owls on the 5.

Andrew Francis ran for a first down on the 10, but incomplete passes and penalties saw the ball go back to the Eagles in spite of a pass completion by Monty Wood to Castillo.

Three Way kicked off to open the second half, and the Owls fumbled and lost the ball. The Owl defense held, and the ball came back to Silverton on the 5. Francis carried the ball almost enough for a first, the Eagles were penalized resulting in a first down, and a pass to Castillo was good for another 14 yards.

Wood passed to Junior Gonzalez for a first down, after which Castillo carried the ball into the endzone. The pass from Wood to Francis was good for the PAT point, and the Owls held a 13-6 lead.

Castillo kicked off and the return came back to midfield. Three Way scored on the next play, there was no PAT, and the Owls continued to lead 13-12.

Three Way kicked off and Matt Strange controlled the onside. Francis took the handoff from Wood and ran for a first down, but the Owls lost the ball via the fumble on the next play. Three Way came back with an inefficient drive, due to defense by Vargas and Castillo, and when the Owls got the ball back, the Owls saw the ball go over at midfield.

With 16 seconds remaining to be played in the game, Three Way scored and passed complete for the PAT, to snatch a 19-13 victory.

This was the last game of the season for the Junior High teams.



Red Ivory (88) blocks for Andrew Francis (14) in their last game for Silverton Junior High at Three Way last Friday.

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Silverton School Honor Roll

Second Six Weeks

Second Grade--Cooper Cogdell, Shane Estes, Davin Fabela, Shandy Forbes, Jasmin Ivory

Third Grade--Ami Dunn, Robert Johnson, Zakkary Perkins, Drew Reed, Clay Strange

Fourth Grade--Albert DeLeon, Melonie Johnson, Ethan Long, Gid Mayfield, Thor Patton, Jesse Reynolds, Tanner Young

Fifth Grade--Max Comer, Susan Netro

Sixth Grade--Caleb Francis, Danielle Netro, Daryl-Ann Reynolds

Seventh Grade--Bryn Mayfield, Kassie Strange, Jenny Young

Eighth Grade--Amanda Estes, Andrew Francis, Kurby Garvin, Hector Gonzalez, Amy Maciel, Brandi Rice, Matt Strange

Ninth Grade--Brooke Garvin, Taylor Griffin, Idalia Hernandez, Julie Weaver, Tyler Young

Tenth Grade--Lisa Comer, Nathan Francis, Daniel Reagan

Eleventh Grade -- Josh Breedlove, Jeremy Holt, Lindsey Jennings, Matthew Martin, Misty Wilkinson

Twelfth Grade--Andy Bullock, Shauna Kingery, Michelle Warren, Trey Wyatt, Michael Reagan, Trista Davis, Irene Gonzalez, Molly Brooks

Silverton School Lunch Menu

Monday, Nov. 17--Beef & Vegetable Soup, Toasted Cheese Sandwich, Crackers, Rice Krispie Treat, Milk

Tuesday, Nov. 18--Lasagna, Salad, Corn, Bread, Fruit, Milk

Wednesday, Nov. 19 -- Hamburger & Cheese, Salad, French Fries, Cookie, Milk

Thursday, Nov. 20--Corn Dog & Cheese Stix, Beans, Dirty Potatoes, Cherry Cobbler, Milk

Friday, Nov. 21--Turkey & Dressing, Gravy, Green Beans, Cranberry Sauce, Bread, Pumpkin Dessert, Milk

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THE OWLS--(back row, left to right) Vince Cruz, Charlie Bomar, Jay Hicks, Trey Ziegler, Jeremy Holt, Jack Cherry; (fourth row) Chris Justice, Jay Arnold, Trey Wyatt, Jared Holt, Nathan Francis, Max Whitworth, Coach Larry Mantle; (third row) Paul Segura, Ryan Minyard, Andy Bullock, David Gamble, Donny Burson; (kneeling) Leland Wood, Will Hester, Jared Francis, Tyler Young, Coach Joe Crabb, Coach Donnie Dutton; (sitting) Adrian Ramirez, Clint Ivory, Amos Lopez. Photo by R Photography



Silvertown Owls

vs.



Jayton Jaybirds

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Mr. and Mrs. Jason Scott Blount

Turner-Blount Vows Spoken In Candlelight Ceremony

Heather Ann Turner and Jason Scott Blount exchanged vows in a candlelight ceremony on Saturday, August 23, at 6:00 o'clock in the evening at the First United Methodist Church in Matador with the Reverend Eddie Marcum performing the double-ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Johnney and Carol Ann Turner of Flomot. She is the granddaughter of Joe and Carolyn Luckenbach of Silverton, the late

Marvin Montague and the late Malcolm and Lola Turner of Flomot. The bridegroom is the son of Ben and Irene Blount of Paducah. He is the grandson of Georgie Ann Rekieta of Paducah, the late John Rekieta and Donald Blount and the late Iva Marie (Pete) Blount of Paducah.

The bride donned a full-length sleeveless sheath gown of white bridal satin fashioned by her grandmother. The sweetheart neckline of sculptured lace was

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covered with bridal illusion and Alencon lace with rows of seed pearls encircling the neckline and armholes. The straight skirt was trimmed with lace motif appliques around the hemline and back slit.

A layered train of net, tulle, illusion and silk organza with lace motifs and seed pearls enhanced the back. The bride removed the detachable train for the reception.

For a bit of antiquity, Mrs. Luckenbach appliqued a piece of lace from the wedding dress of the bride's mother into the train of her gown. The bride completed her ensemble with a tiara of jewels and pearls attached to a fingertip-length veil of illusion and matching bridal satin slippers embellished with seed pearls.

She carried a cascading bouquet of white roses, star-gazer lillies, English ivy and heather atop a white wedding Bible carried by her mother in her wedding. Tucked inside was a tatted handkerchief belonging to and carried by her great-grandmother, the late Laverna Brunner Sams, in her wedding. Also in the Bible was the engagement ring belonging to the late

Lola Turner, grandmother of the bride.

For something old and blue the bride wore the wedding garter of her Grandmother Luckenbach. For something new she wore a diamond drop, a wedding gift from the bridegroom.

Attending the bride as maid of honor was Krissie Pigg of Flomot. Bridesmaids were Keri Sehon of Ropesville, Whitney Jones of Lubbock, Lacey Rankin of Dumas, Sheryl Davis of Lubbock, all friends of the bride, and Michele Blount, siser of the groom, of Paducah. They wore identical long sleeveless sheath dresses of raspberry satin-backed shantung with matching chiffon shawls and shoes. They carried nosegays of multicolored summer flowers tied with sheer white ribbon.

Best man was Chris Canales, friend of the groom, of Paducah. Groomsmen were Jeff Johnson, cousin of the groom, of Dallas, Jeremy Jones of Lubbock, Barrett Gibson of Houston, friends of the bride and groom, Brad Blount, brother of the groom, of Paducah, and Cobey Turner, brother of the bride, of Flomot.

Guests were seated by Eric Rekieta of Paducah and Chad Smith of Vernon, cousins of the groom, Chris Burger, cousin of the bride, of Groom, and Mike Montague, uncle of the bride, of Amarillo.

Candles were lighted by Marisa and Michelle Montague of Houston, cousins of the bride. They wore identical long sleeveless dresses of muted shades of pink in a floral chiffon, and added wrist corsages of multicolored flowers.

Attending the couple as flower girls were friends of the bride and groom, Kelci Hinojosa of Paducah and Shane'a Russell of Matador. They wore matching dresses of white satin overlaid with organza, white ballet slippers, white organza hairbows and pearl necklaces.

Serving as ringbearer was Hunter Rekieta of Dallas.

The bride was given in marriage by her father before an altar flanked with baskets of beautiful summer flowers. Central to the altar was a handcrafted memory candle surrounded by English ivy and heather accented

with a golden cross. The candelabra were accented with English ivy, fern and white tulle ribbon. The aisles of the church, as well as the altar, were draped with white tulle and bows accented with English ivy, fern and baby's breath. Hurricane globes with candles completed and accented the aisle. The aisles were fashioned by Betty Montague, aunt of the bride.

Joe Luckenbach, grandfather of the bride, read I Corinthians 13, "The Love Chapter," from a Bible belonging to Laverna Sams during the ceremony. Carolyn Luckenbach, grandmother of the bride, served as organist. Soloist for the wedding was Kathy Shorter of Flomot. She sang "The



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Wedding Song", "Everytime I Close My Eyes," and "Grow Old With Me."

Guests were registered by Cathey Turner, cousin of the bride, of Matador. Serving in the houseparty were Wendy Lancaster and Laurie Hoyle of Matador, friends of the bride, and Hannah Rekieta of Lubbock and Stephanie Smith of Vernon, cousins of the groom.

The bride's table was covered with a Battenburg lace cloth accented with silver candelabra, greenery, baby's breath and fresh flowers. Silver, cutglass and crystal appointments were used throughout. Punch was served from a beautiful cutglass bowl belonging to the bride's great-

grandmother. The solid white four-tiered bride's cake was embellished with fresh flowers.

The groom's table was decorated with a golfing motif. An arrangement of summer flowers accented the table with favors of golf tees and divets engraved with the names of the bride and groom and their wedding date. The chocolate groom's cake was designed and made by Nova Dell Turner, aunt of the bride.

Golf mints were served, and guests served themselves items from an assorted buffet.

The wedding party, family and friends attended a rehearsal dinner hosted by the groom's parents at the Springs Ranch Club. A golfing theme was carried out in the

decor. Steaks and all the trimmings were prepared by the parents of the groom, family and friends.

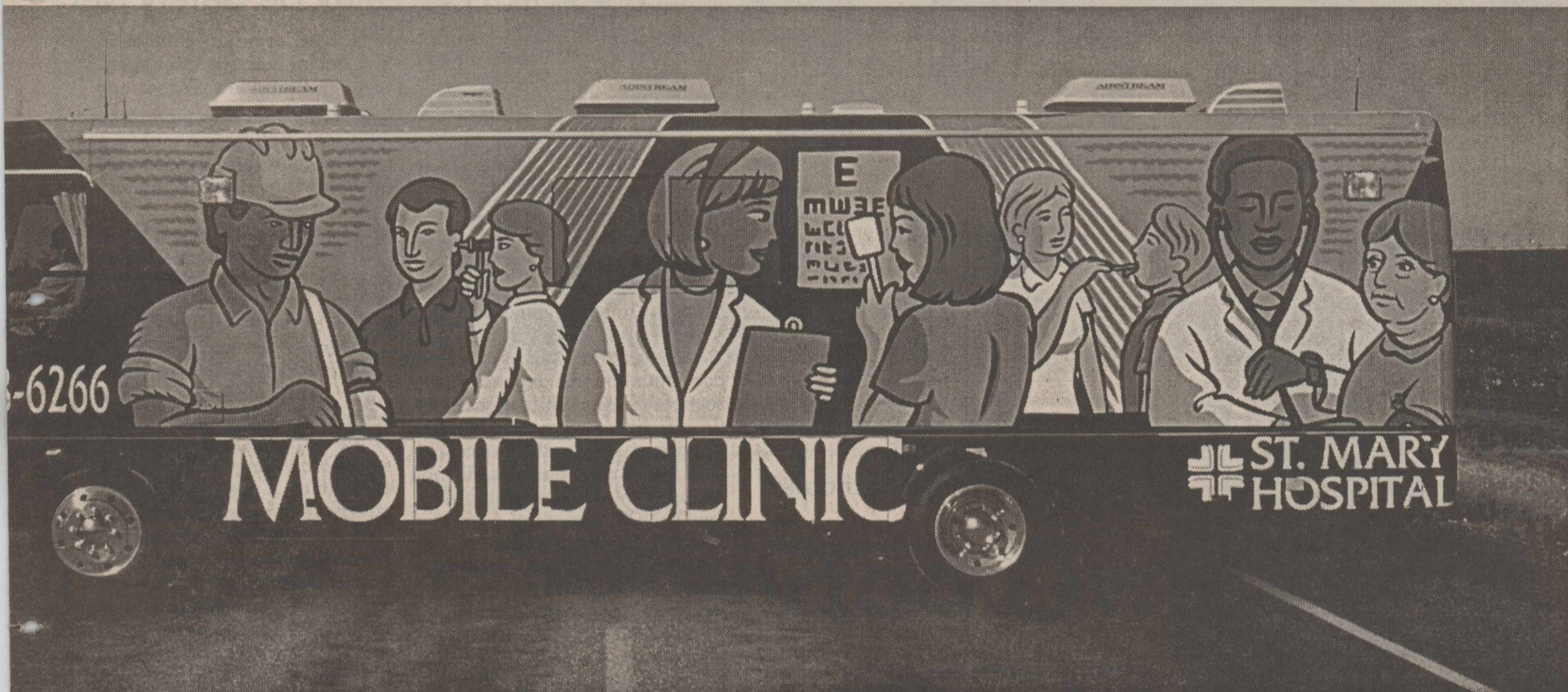
Bridal courtesies included a shower at the home of Mrs. Jeff Thacker, shower at Paducah held in the Catholic Fellowship Hall, lingerie shower at Paducah hosted by family and friends, engagement luncheon hosted by Donna Burger, Connie Fields and Holly Burger in Pampa and bridal luncheon hosted by Brenda Cruse, Judy Cruse and Deidra Clifton in Flomot.

The bride and groom both attend Texas Tech University in Lubbock. Following a short wedding trip, the couple are residing in Lubbock.

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Junior Varsity Undefeated This Season

The Junior Varsity Owls have made a good record for themselves, ending their season as an undefeated team.

They started their campaign with a 33-19 Saturday morning victory over the Miami Chiefs, and gave a good account for themselves along with the varsity in the McLean game, aiding the victory by scoring a touchdown when their platoon was in the game.

They defeated Whitharral twice, 26-20 and 38-22, and Lazbuddie twice, 25-0 and 51-6, and beat Amherst 26-6.

With quite a few of the varsity Owls graduating next spring, the junior varsity players will be ready to fill varsity positions when they are needed.

The boys who have played in all the JV games are Donny Burson, Paul Segura, Tyler Young, Nathan Francis, Max Whitworth, Vince Cruz, Amos Lopez, Jay Hicks and Ryan Minyard. In addition, David Gamble, Bert Garza, Issac Garcia and Clint Ivory played in some of them.

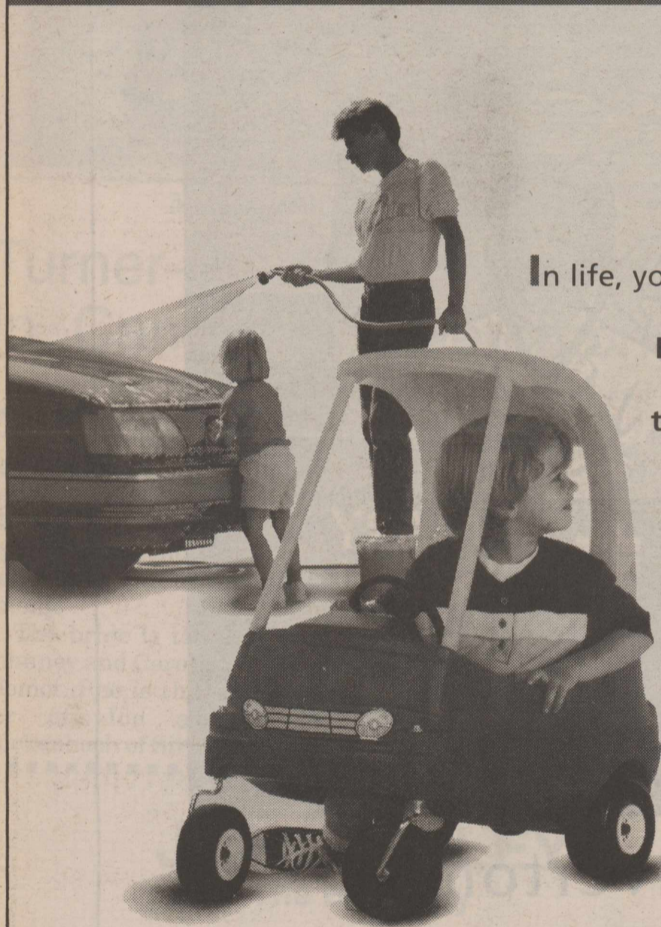
Silverton School Activities

Thursday, Nov. 13--Football Playoff Game, 7:30 p.m. with Jayton at Crosbyton; board meet-

ing Saturday, Nov. 15--Ralls & Dimmitt Scrimmage, here, 10:00
Monday, Nov. 17--Motley County, there, 4:00
Tuesday, Nov. 18--Valley, here
Friday, Nov. 21--Motley County, there
Saturday, Nov. 22--FFA District Leadership Contests at Clarendon College

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TxDOT Changes Speed Limit Procedures; Adds Flexibility

New procedures that give the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) more flexibility in setting lower speed limits were approved by the Texas Transportation Commission in its monthly meeting recently.

The changes follow recent legislation and are based on concerns about the 17 percent rise in Texas traffic fatalities in 1996. In response to these concerns, TxDOT held a series of 26 public meetings around the state this past spring to get public input on speed limit issues.

"What we heard during these meetings is that most Texans generally agree with the higher speed limit, but there are some roadways, particularly narrow rural highways, that we should re-examine," said David Laney, Texas transportation commissioner. "Our goal has always been to set speed limits that maximize safety, but are respected and obeyed by motorists."

Laney said that although the new procedures are in place, speed limits won't necessarily be lowered on every roadway.

"What we have now is an opportunity to consider lowering limits where they are justified," he said. "It gives us more leeway in our engineering studies."

Laney added that Texas law does not allow the department to set speed limits arbitrarily. Speed limits are determined by engineering studies and practices, he said, and new policies do not change that requirement, but allow TxDOT personnel a greater range in lowering limits.

Under the old policy, engineers could set speed limits up to five mph from the 85th percentile--the speed which 85 percent of the motorists are traveling at or below. For example, if the 85th percentile speed showed most drivers were traveling at 62 mph TxDOT engineers could legally post the limit at 60 mph or 65 mph.

The new policy gives greater latitude. In this same example, the posted limit could go as low as 10 mph below the 85th percentile speed as long as other factors

such as pavement width, curves, the number of driveways, the crash history at a given location, rural residential or developed areas and the lack of improved and striped shoulders are considered.

New legislation passed this session also authorizes the Texas Transportation Commission to lower speed limits on Farm-to-Market or Ranch-to-Market roads that are 20 feet or less in width when requested by a county commissioner's court and after a public hearing is held. The new limits must be based on sound and generally accepted traffic engineering procedures.

Social Security May Be Safety Net

by Mary Jane Shanes
Social Security Manager
Plainview, Texas

Starting your own business can be a real challenge. About 65 percent of new businesses fail, a prospect that is all too real for the new entrepreneur.

But above and beyond the normal trauma of starting a business are the risks you face in giving up the employee benefits provided by your employer. What happens if you are suddenly unable to work in your new business because of a disability? What happens to your family if you die while trying to launch your business? How long will it take you to build up a nest egg toward retirement in your new business?

It may help to know that any Social Security credits you earned as a wage earner travel with you in your new role as your own boss. This means you are probably covered for retirement benefits at age 62, disability benefits if you become too disabled to work, benefits for your survivors and Medicare hospital insurance at age 65 or if you suffer a prolonged disability.

Be aware, however, that now you are self-employed, you are responsible for paying your own Social Security tax and reporting your earnings for Social Security coverage. It is important to continue to make sure all your earnings are reported since the amount of your future benefits require recent work. The amount of recent work needed depends on the age at which you become disabled, and may range from 1 1/2 years out of the last three if you become disabled under age 24, to five out of the last ten years if you become disabled after age 30.

If you succeed in your venture, these benefits are a base for you to build on through savings and investments to a level far exceeding what you may have accumulated as an employee. And if you don't, they're still there for you if you need them.

For more information about Social Security and self-employment, call Social Security's toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213.

WEATHER

NOVEMBER 24-HOUR READINGS

DAY	HIGH	LOW	PRECIP.
1	84	37	
2	65	40	
3	61	27	
4	64	27	
5	78	37	
6	65	31	
7	66	30	
8	71	31	
9	71	41	
10	41	28	.01
11	35	24	
Total Nov. Precip.			.01
Normal Nov. Precip.			.71
Total Precip. Rec'd. Year to Date			28.43
Normal Precip. For Year to Date			20.53

Cotton News

from Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.

Efforts by representatives of the Lone Star Corn Growers and Texas Corn Producers Board to bring unrestricted sales of Bt corn varieties to the Texas Panhandle will receive the support of Plains Cotton Growers.

PCG officials note that two key points were considered when the PCG decision was reached:

(1) the fact that currently there are no stripper cotton varieties on the market with Bt technology, and;

(2) that during the next two to three years that effective resistance management strategies be developed to allow the successful planting of Bt corn and Bt cotton in the same county.

The next step will be for Mansanto Corp., which holds registrations for the Bt technologies currently licensed by Pioneer, Cargill and Golden Harvest, to determine whether or not it will go along with the proposal.

If Mansanto agrees to go along with the industry proposal, sales of Bt cotton varieties would not occur in northern counties of the Texas Panhandle (where no cotton is currently grown) and would be withheld on a year-by-year basis in seven corn/cotton counties pending evaluation of Bt cotton availability and other factors.

The seven counties currently being considered in this scenario are Deaf Smith, Castro, Parmer, Swisher, Bailey, Lamb and Hale.

"It is important that growers who plant a combination of corn and cotton have the chance to take advantage of the benefits associated with Bt corn varieties," said Steve Verett, PCG Executive Vice President. "PCG's evaluation of the situation is that no conflict exists for cotton growers until such time as Bt cotton varieties we can plant become available."

Beta testing on a new Windows-based software program for helping cotton growers make decisions throughout the growing season has begun, according to Lubbock-based Plains Cotton Growers.

The program was created by Cotton Incorporated and the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. It will provide growers the ability to track and maintain important production and economic data for their farms using a single program.

The software will integrate a plant growth model with actual field data to help growers make production decisions and even estimate yield. It also will assist

growers with economic decisions and allow them to compile and print a variety of reports.

For more information about the software or to receive a copy of the Beta test program, contact Dr. Larry Falconer, Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Rt. 2, Box 589, Corpus Christi, Texas 78406-9704, or call at 512-265-9203.

Lubbock-based Plains Cotton Growers reports that efforts to restore funding for crop insurance were addressed through National Cotton Council representatives at hearing of the House Ag Committee Management subcommittee, November 5.

Efforts to restore the funding revolve around an estimated \$200 million per year funding shortfall over the next five years. The funding shortfall was created by the 1994 reform bill which paid only a portion of crop insurance delivery expenses from mandatory funds and left the remainder to be paid with discretionary funds which have been sharply cut in recent years.

In addition to the remarks on funding levels, the NCC also is preparing a separate statement addressing deficiencies in cotton insurance provisions. Among the topics to be addressed in this statement will be lack of replant coverage, lack of equal prevented planting coverage for cotton relative to other crops and the 25 percent deductible that must be met before a cotton farmer can qualify for quality adjustment insurance.

Guide to Pecan Tree Pests Has Been Produced

Pammy Millican
County Extension Agent

How many times have you seen an insect and not known what it was, much less if it was a good bug or a bad bug? For people who grow pecans, this information is crucial.

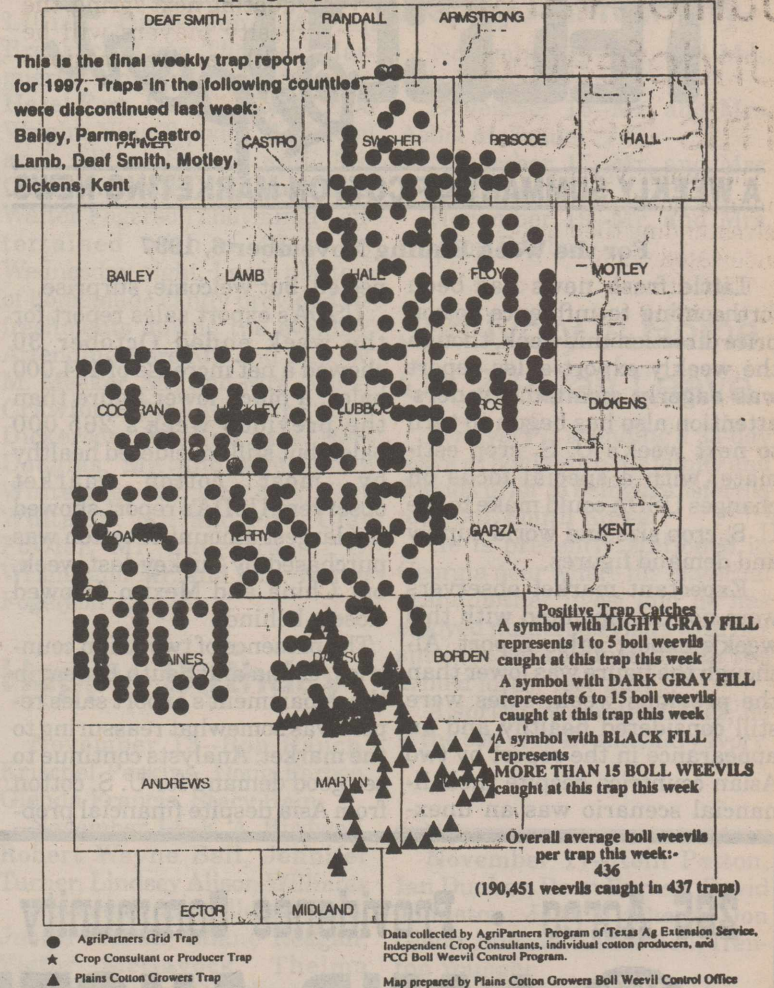
This year Texas will produce an estimated 75 million pounds of pecans. There might be even more pecans if growers had more information on the insects that do damage to the trees and nuts. That's where Extension Agent Bill Ree and Entomologist Dr. Allen Knutson come in. They are always fielding questions, so they decided to put together a pecan pest guide small enough to fit in your pocket. It's a four-by-seven, spiralbound publication with 140 photos. Match the photos to the insects and then read what to do about them.

Ree says many of the pests are common in other crops as well, so homeowners may find the guide handy. You can order the book through the Extension Service. It costs 12.95 and that includes postage and handling.

Owls Are Great!

Boll Weevil Trapping Report 1997

Week 46 (11/03/97 thru 11/07/97)



Pecan Harvest Is Underway in Texas

Pammy Millican
Briscoe County Extension Agent

"Really big" is the term being used to describe this year's pecan harvest which is expected to last into early December. This year's crop looks much better than last year's.

In 1996 the pecan crop was rather small due to the drought and the crop's natural down cycle.

It seems the odd-number years are best for pecans in Texas.

Extension Agent Bill Ree expects the 1997 crop to be as big as the one in 1995. That's around 75 million pounds.

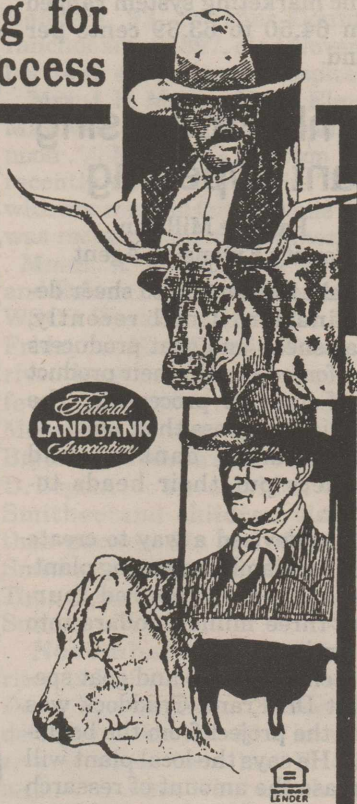
Ree says better weather this year has some trees overproducing. That can hurt quality because the tree is concentrating its energy on producing a large number of nuts rather than producing the best quality nuts.

But Ree says the punier pecans can be sorted out at harvest.

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A WEEKLY SUMMARY OF COTTON MARKETING NEWS

For the Week Ending November 6, 1997

Little fresh news has been forthcoming to influence cotton price direction this week, though the weekly export sales report was eagerly awaited. Traders' attention also has begun to turn to next week's U. S. crop estimate, with a special focus on changes USDA could make to the U. S. crop size and world supply and demand figures.

Expectant market observers were not disappointed with this week's export sales report. Although the figure was lower than the previous week, sales were still considered healthy and an appearance in the report by two Asian countries despite their financial scenario was an unex-

pected, but welcome, surprise.

USDA's export sales report for the week ended October 30 showed a net increase of 114,000 bales, a much lower figure than the previous week's 265,000 bales, but still considered healthy by most cotton market observers. USDA's report showed the largest amount of cotton was purchased by Turkey last week, but China and Mexico followed closely behind.

The presence of two Asian countries, China and South Korea, in the department's export sales report was somewhat reassuring to the market. Analysts continue to see good demand for U. S. cotton from Asia despite financial prob-

lems there. While cotton consumption, particularly in Southeast Asia, is expected to decline dramatically, consumption by countries that make textile products for export may remain steady or experience only a slight drop. In fact, Asian textile exports to the U. S. and other parts of the world could rise because of the currency devaluations.

"We can import more of their materials with our dollar increasing against their currency," one analyst said. "It's a two-edged sword. It costs more for these countries to import products, but they are able to sell more to us."

Meanwhile, preparations for USDA's production and consumption report, due to be released on November 10, limited market activity toward the end of the week. Expectations are for USDA to leave the U. S. crop estimate unchanged or adjust it up or down 100,000 bales, depending on whether or not the agency believes production losses in the Southeast can be offset by good

crops in the Delta and Southwest.

Most analysts predict USDA will place the U. S. crop between 18.4 million and 18.6 million bales; however, others disagree with an increase in production and anticipate the department will lower its figure to 18.3 million bales. USDA's current U. S. production figure is 18.41 million bales.

Traders said the surprise in the upcoming report will be what USDA does to its U. S. and world demand figures. USDA currently estimates U. S. exports at 6.9 million bales and domestic consumption at 11.3 million bales, but most in the industry believe the export figure should be revised higher. Observers also wonder if the department will follow the International Cotton Advisory Committee's (ICAC) lead and raise world cotton production while lowering world consumption. This week, ICAC pegged 1997-98 world cotton production at 92.0 million bales, up from USDA's 89.8 million and placed consumption at 89.6 million bales, down from USDA's 90.4 million.

On the spot cotton scene, more cotton is becoming available due to excellent harvest weather, and sales on TELCOT have increased significantly. In the five trading days ended November 6, sales on TELCOT totaled 48,064 bales, a considerable increase from the previous week's figure of 29,943 bales. Average daily prices received by producers on the electronic marketing system ranged from 64.50 to 63.39 cents per pound.

Biotechnology: Feeding the World

Pammy Millican
County Extension Agent

It's estimated the world population will double in the next 30 years. To feed all those people, the world will have to grow three times as much food. Monsanto industry relations manager Diane Re says biotechnology will play a critical role.

Last year about five million acres of biotech products were planted in the U. S. This year that number has jumped to 30 million acres. She says Monsanto and other companies are focusing on genetically-altered plants that are more resistant to insects and tolerant of herbicides.

One of the newest developments is Roundupready soybeans. The herbicide Roundup can be broadly and safely sprayed over the soybean crop to control weeds. Re believes the public will accept biotech foods because genetic engineering is a natural extension of traditional breeding and it is environmentally beneficial.

Keeping Cotton Competitive

Pammy Millican
County Extension Agent

Cotton remains king in Texas, but it's becoming more difficult to compete on a global scale.

While the foreign market for cotton looks promising in Mexico and some Latin American countries, prospects are not so good in other parts of the world.

Extension cotton marketing economist Dr. Carl Anderson says the former Soviet republics of Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan and Tajikistan are examples of countries that are growing more cotton for foreign markets.

Each year China buys a million and a half bales of U. S. cotton, but that may be about to change as China encourages use of its domestic cotton and manmade fibers.

Anderson says the U. S. cotton industry must produce better disease- and insect-resistant plants with higher yields to compete. He believes the future of U. S. cotton lies heavily in the hands of genetic engineers.

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Tuesday, December 2, 1997 — Sale Time: 10:00 a.m.

LOCATED: Plainview, Texas, Intersection Hwy. 70 & F.M. 400, 6 Miles Northeast On F.M. 400, Then 9 1/2 Miles East On F.M. 788, Then 3 Miles North, Then 1/4 Mile East; Or From Providence, 1 Mile East On 788, Then 3 Miles North, Then 1/4 Mile East.

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Auction Will Be Held On Farm Site. In Case Of Bad Weather It Will Be Held At Providence.

265 Acres All In Cultivation, 4 Electric Irrigation Wells, 1 Valley 10 Tower Center Pivot Sprinkler System (New In 1992) Cams Control System, Top Cotton Producer, Clean, Well Maintained Farm.

Wheat	1.2 Acres	Yield 23*	* Farm Program Payment Yield
Corn	28.0 Acres	Yield 150*	
Cotton	218.9 Acres	Yield 481*	

IRRIGATION PUMPS: 1-15 H.P. Sub, 1-10 H.P. Sub New In 1996, 1-7 1/2 H.P. Sub New In 1997, 1-20 H.P. Sub. All Irrigation Wells Are Tied Together With Underground Line, 1-Lot Extra Underground Line.

CONDITION & TERMS OF SALE: Cash. This Property Will Be Sold For Cash And Not Subject To A Loan.

EARNEST MONEY: 10% Of Total Sale Upon Signing Of Contract On Sale Day Placed In Escrow, Balance 30-45 Days Or Sooner.

OWNERS: Have 30 Minutes To Accept Or Reject Any Or All Bids On Real Estate.

MANNER OF SALE: 265 Acres x Dollars Per Acre To Determine Total Price.

NOTE: Any And All Announcements Sale Day Will Take Precedence Over Any Printed Advertising. The Above Information Is Believed To Be True And Correct, But Can Not Be Guaranteed By Five Star Auctioneers Or Billington Real Estate. Please Make Your Own Inspection!

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 Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.
 WEDNESDAY:
 Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

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Ted Kingery, Minister

SUNDAY:
 Sunday School.....9:00 a.m.
 Morning Worship.....10:00 a.m.
 Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.
 WEDNESDAY:
 Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Jess Craig Little, Pastor

SUNDAY:
 Library Opens.....9:15 a.m.
 Bible Study/S.S.....10:00 a.m.
 Morning Worship.....10:30 a.m.
 Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.
 SECOND & FOURTH
 TUESDAYS:
 Baptist Women.....9:30 a.m.
 WEDNESDAY:
 Library Opens.....6:30 p.m.
 Bible Study/Prayer.....7:00 p.m.

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Jay Stinson, Pastor

SUNDAY:
 Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
 Worship Service.....11:00 a.m.
 Evening Service.....6:00 p.m.
 SECOND SUNDAY:
 Praise & Worship.....6:00 p.m.
 TUESDAY:
 Unit. Meth. Women.....9:30 a.m.
 WEDNESDAY:
 Choir Practice.....5:00 p.m.
 In-home Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

**NEW FELLOWSHIP
BAPTIST MISSION**

SUNDAY:
 Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
 Worship Service.....11:00 a.m.
 Training Union.....5:00 p.m.
 Evening Service.....6:00 p.m.
 WEDNESDAY:
 Choir Rehearsal.....7:00 p.m.
 Prayer Service.....8:00 p.m.

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Father Ed Graff, Pastor

SUNDAY:
 Mass.....9:00 a.m.
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**ROCK CREEK
CHURCH OF CHRIST**

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 Worship Service.....10:30 a.m.
 Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.
 WEDNESDAY:
 Worship Service.....7:30 p.m.

Everyone Makes Mistakes

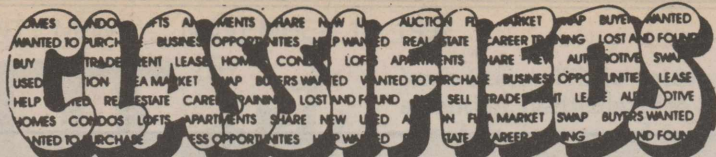
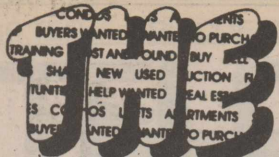
Every day, we are faced with making business, personal, and moral decisions. I once heard it said that on average, about twenty percent of our decisions are wrong. While it may be comforting to know that at one time or another, everyone makes mistakes, the way we respond to them is what is most important. Just as we learn by our errors, our tolerance of others is necessary in order for us to live a peaceful life. Forgiving others is usually more beneficial to us than to those who have done us wrong. In the Lord's Prayer, we ask God to forgive our wrongs, as we forgive those who have wronged us. Many people believe and trust in God, but have trouble forgiving others. And although forgiving is not forgetting, we have to keep in mind that only God is perfect, and that we all make mistakes. Forgiving someone means that we understand, and that we will not let their wrong actions adversely affect our future relationship with them.

*And when you stand and pray,
 forgive anything you may
 have against anyone, so that
 your Father in heaven will
 forgive the wrongs you have done.*

Good News Bible Mark 11:25



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TO GIVE AWAY

KITTENS to give away: Arlene Curry, 847-2218. 46-1tc

LOST & FOUND

NOTICE OF ESTRAY: Found 1 Mature Black Bull, Freeze Branded 6 on the left hip, Swallowfork Left Ear. Notheast part of county. Any information contact Briscoe County Sheriff's Office at 806-823-2135. 45-2tc

CARD OF THANKS

Words are inadequate to express our gratitude for all your kindnesses--the cards, phone calls, memorials and delicious food. Your prayers for our strength and comfort are appreciated more than you know.

You've blessed our hearts and we'll always treasure these memories. We shall always be grateful.

The family of J. W. Brannon

We want to thank Lane, Walter, Don, Gary and Loyd for cutting our feed and thanks to Laverne for feeding them. Thanks for the phone calls and prayers. We are doing fine.

Roy and Lou

Thank you to J. E. and Mary Jane Patton, David and Debbie Holt, and Rock Creek Church of Christ for their donations to the Silverton Volunteer Fire Department.

All donations and memorial gifts are greatly appreciated. Sincerely,
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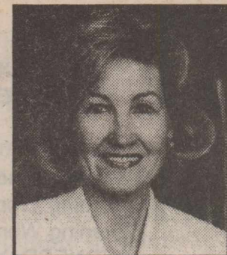
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TEXAS POINTS THE WAY TOWARD MEETING ENVIRONMENTAL CHALLENGES

When it comes to the environment, an ounce of prevention turns out to be worth more than a pound of cure.

That's the message behind innovative laws that have been approved by Texas and 22 other states. These environmental audit laws encourage cooperation and incentives for business to protect the environment.

Under Texas' environmental audit law, companies are given incentives to assess their own environmental compliance and take corrective action. Rather than playing a waiting game for state regulators to find environmental violations, companies will find — and stop — violations.

This arrangement is based on the common sense assumption that everyone, including business and industry, has a vested interest in clear skies, clean water and a safe environment. Instead of a game of "gotcha," the private and public sectors in our state are working together to strengthen environmental protection efforts.

I have introduced legislation, the Environmental Protection Partnership Act, that will apply this environmental audit system to federal regulation efforts. Under my bill, if a company voluntarily completes an environmental audit — a thorough review of its compliance with environmental law — government may not turn around and use the audit report against that company in court. This will encourage companies to look for, find and remedy problems, rather than wait for the heavy hand of the regulator to descend upon them.

In addition, if a company performs an audit, promptly corrects any violations and reports this to the Environmental Protection Agency, that company will not be penalized for its violations. By ensuring companies that they will not be dragged into court for being honest, the bill encourages both compliance and reporting.

Environmental audits do not mean companies that pollute will go scot-free. My bill in no way protects willful violators, those that do not promptly address violations or those trying to evade investigation. But the cooperative approach will free the EPA to target enforcement dollars on the "bad actors" — those who intentionally pollute.

The bill also directs federal agencies to assist small businesses (which typically have fewer resources) to develop in-house compliance systems for performing voluntary self evaluations.

Businesses need to play an active role in environmental protection. This legislation will make companies active partners with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in assuring compliance with the law.

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