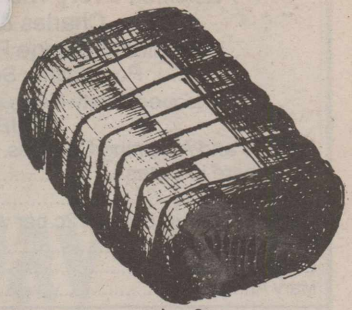
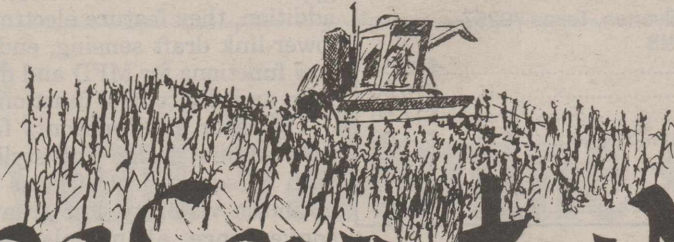


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Oprah can't mention "certain things" on her talk show being taped in Amarillo, but she alludes to them. "You-all know why I'm here," she reminds her audience everyday!

When she testified before the court in her trial last week, she stressed that her preparation on the subject was adequate to be able to ask questions. Of course she makes a joke of just about everything.

The show that was aired Tuesday afternoon concerned health issues--conditions that are easily transmitted and those which aren't. The doctor with whom she was speaking was covering a wide range of topics, and when she came to prostate cancer, she said it wasn't transmitted from person to person but seemed to be environmentally affected.

She went on to say that the Oakland, California bay area is a "hot spot" for prostate cancer, and no one seems to know why. She added that black men seem to be especially at risk.

To this Oprah asked, "Black people or black men?"

I was really impressed with the attention she was giving her guest and the subject matter.

I read this in the daily paper written in the form of a news story. It seems that Coach Barry of the Dallas Cowboys was a little worried about his team before the end of the season and went out to California to visit the 49er coach.

He asked him, what do you believe most important in making a winning team?

The reply was brains. You want lots of smart guys.

No, no, no! Coach Barry said. You want tough jocks who can slug it out!

The 49er coach beckoned to Steve Young and called him over. Steve, tell me--who is your father's brother's nephew?

Steve: Me!

See, Barry, You can't beat brains!

So Barry went back to Big D and decided to try it.

Troy, come over here a minute. Can you tell me who your father's brother's nephew is?

Troy: Don't bother me now, Coach, I'm busy watching films!

Then Troy approached Deon in the dressing room. Deon, tell me who your father's brother's nephew is!

Deon: Me!

Later Troy tells Barry--The answer is Deon Sanders!

No, no, no! says Barry. It's Steve Young!

Win, Owls
and Lady Owls!

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Good Luck,
Owls, Lady Owls

Concert Series To Visit School

Students in the Silverton Schools will get a first-hand experience of a night at the symphony thanks to a grant received by the West Texas A&M University Sybil B. Harrington College of Fine Arts and Humanities. The grant will be used to sponsor a series of fine arts seminars in music for students in kindergarten through 12th grades.

Performers include Emmanuel Lopez, cellist, WTAMU Harrington lecturer and a member of the Amarillo Symphony; Dawn Harms, concert violinist and former member of the Harrington String Quartet; and Stephanie Bowen, harpist with the Amarillo Symphony and first-time member of the group.

An introduction led by Rose Mary Ramaekers, instructor in music education at WTAMU, will include pre-seminar activities for participating students. Each performance will be mounted and scripted to the age group served and audience participation will be encouraged.

The program will be presented to Pk-6 at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, February 17, followed at 10:00 a.m. by the program for those in grades 7-12.

Guests are welcome to attend any session.

The concerts are funded by the Amarillo Area Foundation and the Don and Sybil B. Harrington Foundation.

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Fish Wilson To Be Honored

Maynard "Fish" Wilson will be celebrating his 90th birthday on February 21, 1998. The Senior Citizens of Quitaque would like to honor him on this day by having his friends come by to wish him a happy birthday at the Senior Citizens Building in Quitaque from 5:30 until 8:30 p.m.

Mr. Wilson was born in Boone County, Arkansas at Valley Springs on February 21, 1908 to Otis and Ruth Bradshaw Wilson.

They traveled to Texas by covered wagon when he was seven years old in 1915. By this time there were three children in the family. A sister, Mildred, and a

Energy Assistance Applications Now Being Taken Here

Panhandle Community Services will be taking applications for the comprehensive energy assistance program to help with your utilities. No applications will be processed until after February 18. You may call 874-2573 to make an appointment.

You will need to bring a current bill, 12-month history from your gas company, as well as your electric company and proof of your income. All the necessary papers will need to be in hand when you apply.

Hall County applicants may meet the representative of Panhandle Community Services on March 3, 1998 at the Courthouse at 9:00 a.m. The Turkey residents may apply in Turkey on March 4, at 2:00 p.m. at the Bob Wills Center.

Panhandle Community Services is taking weatherization applications. You will need to bring proof of ownership and proof of income at time of application. If your home needs to be made weather tight, please call Robbie Hill at 806-874-2573.

brother, Morris, had joined the Wilson family.

The first year they farmed on the section where the Valley School is located. The following year they purchased land north of Gasoline to farm.

He enjoyed playing baseball and volleyball as a young man. Now he likes to watch the young people of Valley School play basketball. He also enjoys steer ropings and rodeos. It is seldom that a Caprock Jamboree is performed without his presence there. He is a member of the JA Reunion Association. He was a Texas and Southwestern Cattle Brand Inspector for five years.

He would be honored to have you share your memories with him at his celebration.

Practice Games To Be Played Here Friday Night

Two practice basketball games will be played in the Owl Gym in Silverton beginning at 6:30 p.m. Friday.

The games will be between the Amherst and Samnorwood girls, and the Cotton Center and Samnorwood boys.

One-Act Play Group Is Seeking Furniture

The One-Act Play will be producing "Little Women" this year.

The group is in need of furniture that looks Victorian or from the 1800s. The items needed are a sofa, chairs and tables. If you have any of these items and don't mind loaning them for this purpose, please call the school at 823-2476.

The theatre group will pick up the items and return them. They do not have to be in perfect condition. Your help would be very much appreciated.

Mid-Plains Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc. is preparing to provide its customers with a new service called Equal Access. Equal Access provides you with the opportunity to select the long-distance company of your choice to provide your 1+ long-distance calls outside Mid-Plains' service area. This new service will be available on July 1, 1998.

In April, you will be sent a ballot which you must complete and return to Mid-Plains. If you do not return the ballot to Mid-Plains, you will be randomly assigned to a long-distance company using methods prescribed by the Federal Communications Commission.

There will be no service charge from Mid-Plains for your initial selection of a long-distance company, and there will be no additional wiring or changes necessary at your home or business.

Mid-Plains would like you to be aware that some long-distance companies will contact you, by telephone or mail, with information about their services. Mid-Plains has no preference as to which long-distance company you select, and cannot recommend which long-distance company is right for you. Mid-Plains does, however, ask you to make a choice and mail in your ballot.

If you still have questions regarding the Equal Access process, please call the business office at 995-3572 in Tulia.

WEATHER

FEBRUARY 24-HOUR READINGS

DAY	HIGH	LOW	PRECIP
1	65	26	
2	55	25	
3	66	23	
4	52	29	
5	40	27	.10
6	30	28	.06
7	41	23	
8	54	33	
9	61	35	
10	66	33	
Total Feb. Precip.			.16
Normal Feb. Precip.			.60
Total Precip. Rec'd.			
Year to Date			.16
Normal Precip. For Year to Date			1.25

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Case Corporation Introduces More Tractor Models

Case Corporation announces the expansion of its popular MX Series line with five new models specially designed, with customer input, to meet livestock and row crop applications. Three new models, the MX80C, MX90C and MX100C are rated at 67, 74 and 83 PTO horsepower. Two additional models, the MX150 and MX170, boast 130 and 145 PTO horsepower respectively.

"Our customers with livestock told us they were looking for highly maneuverable, under-85-horsepower tractors for heavy-duty loader applications. At the same time, our row crop customers were looking for additional horsepower and performance in an MX Series tractor," says Steve Dunmore, Case tractor marketing manager.

"With the success of the 85 to 115

horsepower Maxxum tractors already in the marketplace, we chose to expand this popular family with models tailored to specified livestock and row crop applications."

Three new models--the MX80C (67 PTO hp), MX90C (74 PTO hp) and MX100C (83PTO hp)--are all designed with the livestock producer in mind. All are equipped with cabs and MFD drive systems. They offer up to 37 percent PTO torque rise for superior PTO performance. They also feature viscous fans, in-line core radiators, in-line oil coolers and turbochargers.

From the ground up, these tractors are designed for maneuverability. With that in mind, the wheelbase has been shortened to less than eight feet. All three have structural engines for a narrower profile and a tighter turning radius, estimated at 12.9 feet. Even the overall height has been lowered three inches for the additional clearance needed for inside work.

These tractors feature a standard 16-speed forward/12-speed reverse semi-powershift transmission with a wet clutch. A powershuttle transmission with left-hand control is also standard for greater operator convenience in loader applications. Creeper transmissions are available for

special applications.

All models are equipped with 2950 psi pressure flow compensated hydraulic systems with 25 gpm flow at the rear outlets. In addition, they feature electronic lower-link draft sensing, end of row functions for MFD and difflack, and slip control functions.

Operator environments feature all-new design and styling with 56 square feet of glass for optimum visibility. For greater convenience, all models come with two doors as a standard feature. They also boast the quietest cabs in the industry, rated at just 72 dB(A).

Serviceability features include a 50-gallon fuel tank, tilt hood with no side sheets to remove, lube-for-life CV joints and MFD drivetrains. In addition, service is made simpler with all daily maintenance operations performed at ground level.

Rated at 130 and 145 PTO horsepower respectively, the MX150 and MX170 tractors take the MX Series tradition to a new level of performance. They sport a sleek new design, increased horsepower and greater hydraulic, transmission, final drive and hitch capacities.

Obituary

EVELYN FAYE DUDLEY

Services for Evelyn Faye Dudley, 72, of Quitaque were conducted at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, February 10, at the First Baptist Church in Quitaque. The Rev. Lloyd Riddlespurger officiated and was assisted by the Rev. Anthony Sisemore.

Burial was in Resthaven Cemetery by Myers-Long Funeral Directors.

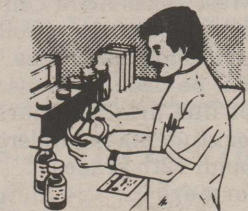
Mrs. Dudley was born November 16, 1925 at Estelline and passed away February 8.

She married Euel Clyde Dudley May 16, 1942 in Estelline. He preceded her in death October 30, 1981.

She was a homemaker, a humorist and a poet.

Survivors include a son, Clyde Dudley of Quitaque; a daughter, Mrs. Glen (Annis) McWaters of Lamesa; three sisters, Juanita Fitzgerald of Amarillo, Eva Dickerson of Fort Worth and Pauline Sain of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; a brother, Elmer Williams of Perryton; and five grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Roye Pigg, Johnny Pointer, Weldon Griffin, Johnny Griffin, Eric Dudley and Shane McWaters.



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Cotton News



from Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.

Producers with cotton in the Commodity Credit Corporation Loan program are approaching the point where CCC will start covering some of the interest and storage charges accrued on the cotton put forth as collateral for the loan.

With the Adjusted World Price (AWP) continuing to drift downward, U. S. growers soon will be able to redeem their cotton at the AWP, provided it is below the amount of the loan principal+interest+storage. Cotton put into the loan in October is approaching this level.

If the AWP continues to drop, growers with cotton in the loan will get a break. This scenario will change on a daily basis as cotton under loan accrues storage and interest charges. It also will be different for each producer since cotton is typically given a value above or below the Base Loan rate based in its unique combination of quality characteristics.

This will not affect Loan Deficiency Payments, however. LDP's are not triggered until the AWP drops below the Base Loan rate of 51.92 cents per pound. If this were to occur, growers could then apply for the LDP in exchange for a promise not to put their cotton into the CCC loan program.

Winter weevil watchers have some worrying news for High Plains cotton growers as we proceed into the month of February. Those in the know say they are finding plenty of boll weevils and practically no winter weather.

This forecast means the 1998 cotton crop could see some of the worst boll weevil infestations this year, at least initially.

With current survival figures hovering around the 70 percent mark, Lubbock County Integrated Pest Management Agent Brent Baugh says producers who had weevil problems in 1997 will see them again and producers who really did not have much trouble in 1997 also will have plenty in 1998.

In order to help producers get a handle on the issue before it becomes a problem the Texas Ag Extension Service, Texas Tech University, PCG and the High Plains Association of Crop Consultants have begun the process of putting together a workshop

titled "Adjusting Cotton Production Systems for Boll Weevil Management."

The program, which will offer pesticide applicator continuing education credit for producers, will focus on integrating boll weevil management techniques with traditional High Plains crop production systems.

The workshop is scheduled for Friday, April 17, 1998 at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center. The workshop will be held in Room 107 of the Civic Center.

Additional information will be put forth in the days leading up to the Texas Cotton Ginners' Convention and Trade Show.

Improvement in dryland cotton production systems continues to command a significant level of interest among High Plains cotton growers.

With about one-half of all cotton fields in the area considered dryland, even the smallest improvement in overall profitability can mean a significant boost to on-farm incomes. Research conducted at Texas Tech University and the Texas A&M Agricultural Experiment Station in Lubbock is focusing on the issue of profitability and how it can be improved through adoption of different tillage and production systems.

Most of the dryland cotton grown on the High Plains has been subject to a monocultural-type tillage system. This system, which is tillage intensive, is both expensive and dangerous since it leaves the soil vulnerable to both wind and water erosion.

Research from TTU and TAES at the AG-CARES research farm in Lamesa indicates that growers who switch to a conservation tillage system can significantly increase both yields and profitability.

A good example is the effect from the use of a minimum-tillage production system. Under this system cotton yields were increased 50 percent and increased net returns above variable costs were increased 100 percent as compared to conventional tillage systems.

The study also found that adoption of the conservation-tillage and minimum-tillage systems did not increase risk compared to conventional production systems.

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February 18, 1988--Owls to play for Bi-District crown at Hutcherson Gym at Wayland Baptist University . . . Vinson Smith retires as District Attorney's Investigator . . . Twins Creighton and Karlen Alexander are Regional wrestling champions . . . A birthday reception honoring Maynard (Fish) Wilson will be held Sunday at the Community Room of the First National Bank in Quitaque . . . Miss Anna Lee Anderson, affectionately known as "Miss Anna Lee," who began her teaching career in 1920 and taught 45 years in the Silverton Schools before her retirement in 1967, was honored by friends and former students Sunday afternoon on the occasion of her ninetieth birthday. Hostesses were Jessie Bomar and Josephine Anderson, and they were assisted by Len and Susan Koslowski . . . Junior Girl Scouts have Father-Daughter Box Supper . . . Berniece Wood has been a patient at St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock . . . Mrs. Bryant Eddleman returned home Monday after having been in the hospital recuperating from knee replacement surgery . . .

February 16, 1978--Repairs about finished on utility lines downed by ice storm . . . Owls repeat as District champions . . . Silverton's varsity Owls lost their warmup game at Lorenzo Tuesday night, 63-52, in a foul-fest that saw three of the Owl starters, Jackie Vaughn, Kirk Durham and Paul Brannon, foul out . . . Funeral services held for Herbert Clifton (Shine) Stephens, 61 . . . Mrs. Dora Johnston's ninety-eighth birthday anniversary was celebrated at a party Sunday in the home of her granddaughter, Mrs. Homer Ragland, jr., in Lockney. Also celebrated was the birthday of Mrs. Johnston's grandson, Ron Vaughan, whose birthday anniversary is also February 4 . . . Mrs. Bill (Ruth Ann) Hatchett and children have moved here and are living in the home formerly occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Wade Brannon and Jess. The Hatchetts are staying in Silverton while their husband and father is serving on Okinawa and she will be assisting her mother, Mrs. J. E. (Doc) Minyard, in the care of her father . . . Mr. and Mrs. Max Weaver are parents of a daughter, Shannon Lee . . .

February 15, 1968--Girls can earn District title playoff by beating Claude Friday night . . . Briscoe County blanketed with snow this week . . . HemisFair Bonus Books on sale in Silverton . . . Tom Christian is candidate for State Representative . . . Mmes. Carolyn Self, Mae Bomar, Frances Crass, Lula Bellinger and Georgia Thornton attended a tea honoring Mrs. Mary Lucy Hegi in the home of Mrs. Eliza

beth Holt in Petersburg Sunday afternoon . . . Mrs. L. B. Garvin, jr. underwent an appendectomy in the Lockney Hospital last week . . . Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Fogerson, formerly of Stephenville, have moved to Lubbock, and he is working toward his master's degree at Texas Tech . . . Noel Deavenport was a patient in the Lockney Hospital last week . . . Mrs. R. N. McDaniel was in Plainview Thursday to visit her father, John Fore, who is a resident of the Heritage Home there . . . Clifford Rowell, Garner Watters and George Masey visited Charlie Rowell at the Veterans Hospital in Amarillo Sunday . . .

February 13, 1958--Local essay winners for the Fort Worth Press and Caprock District "Save the Soil--Save Texas" contest were Marjorie Autry, first; Marsha Monroe, second; Leah Kellum, third. Quitaque High School winners were John Criss Reagan, first; Melvin Carter, second; Grady Lee Jacobs, third . . . Mrs. Flora Dickerson honored on 86th birthday . . . Briscoe County blanketed with snow and ice . . . Jerry Bingham is reported as improving. His chest injuries seem to have cleared up and the broken hip bones are mending now . . . School dismissed on account of gas leak . . . Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hill have recently purchased from Mr. and Mrs. Keyth Tiffin the Silverton Variety Store . . . Mr. and Mrs. Carl D. Bomar and Terry were in Amarillo on Wednesday of last week . . . Mr. and Mrs. Jim Whitfill, who attend school in Lubbock, were in Santa Fe, New Mexico during the spring break. Mrs. Whitfill, the former Gwenlyn Paige, had the misfortune of breaking her ankle while skiing . . . Mr. and Mrs. A. L. McMurtry returned home early last week after having spent several days in Marlin . . . Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Porter spent Thursday and Friday of last week in Claude with their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. John R. Porter . . .

February 5, 1948--Moisture total boosted to 1.27 for year . . . Betty Burson is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. True Burson, this week . . . Pascal Garrison was a business visitor in Plainview last Tuesday . . . High school students on the honor roll are Mary Tom Bomar and Duane Lemons, freshmen; Joan Clemmer, Joy Reithmayer, Marion Arnold and Wayne McMurtry, sophomores; LaRue Gilkeyson and Joye Brown, juniors; Melba Jean Estes, Gladys Hyatt, Frances May, Joye Deavenport and Sybil Absher, seniors . . . Mr. and Mrs. Milton Frizzell and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Fitzgerald visited Mrs. R. N. McDaniel, sr. and Mrs. Hollie Francis at the Plainview Hospital Friday . . . American Legion

members meet in the home of Leota Alexander . . . Mr. and Mrs. John Vaughan entertained a group of relatives in their home Sunday . . . The WSCS met in the home of Mrs. S. R. Turner February 2 with eleven members present . . . Grandmother Eleanora Jane Vaughan celebrated her 96th birthday with her children, her sisters and other relatives in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bud McMinn on Friday, January 30. Mrs. Vaughan has seven children, 59 grandchildren, 122 great-grandchildren and 10 great-great-grandchildren . . .

February 17, 1938--Briscoe County is getting rain . . . Near 1400 voters registered here . . . Roy Bomar purchases Burson Food Store . . . One of the loveliest parties of the season was in the beautiful country home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Thomas last Friday night when they entertained a number of their friends in commemoration of Abraham Lincoln's birthday. Ten days previous to the day the guests received the following invitation: There'll be a snack in our little shack--an extra log on the fire for you, at 7 p.m. February 11th . . . Editor Roy Hahn wrote: "If I didn't get my toy balloon punctured every week by someone, I'd call it a dismal failure. But just when I have had it punctured though, someone comes along and blows it up for me" . . . A. J.

Rowell had an attack of appendicitis and has been out of school several days . . . Miss Ruby McDaniel spent Monday night with Mr. and Mrs. Ashel McDaniel . . . W. E. Schott broke the ice for Brookshier & Minyard Allis-Chalmers dealers when he purchased a new Allis-Chalmers tractor. It was the first sale made by the new dealers . . . Henry Norrid, who is attending Texas Tech at Lubbock, was home over last weekend with his parents . . . J. J. Vardell has moved to Arkansas . . . Knots Brooks has moved to the Bryant Brooks farm. He intends to plant a large acreage of spuds . . . Times are so hard in Haylake that candidates are meeting and making up their own cards . . .

Go Big Red!

Happy Anniversary--

February 12--Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Brannon

February 14--Mr. and Mrs. Bill Boling, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Estes, Mr. and Mrs. David Reagan

February 17--Mr. and Mrs. John Wyatt

Happy Birthday--

February 12--Doug Coleman, Wade Greeson, Jane Pigg

February 13--David Gamble, Melissa Davis, Misti Mattheus

February 14--Jerry Patton, Brenda McDonough, Max D. Garrison, Scotti Sweet, Linda Hare, Daniel Reagan

February 15--Charles Francis, Michael Reagan, Stan Gamble, Gary Weaks, Angie Lewis, Kyler Couch

February 16--Shelby Marie Fuston, Dora Bullock, Jane Self, James Alan Patton, Greg Garcia, Katy Hester, Genie Lavy, Brent Brannon, Zeb Holt

February 17--Riley Ziegler, Vanessa Reyna, Patti Lowrance

February 18--Tomiko Hutsell, Craig Patton, Bill Boling, Molly Riddle, Amy Minyard, Grace Vaughan

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Kugler-Smith Vows Exchanged in Colorado Springs In Formal Double - Ring Ceremony January 3

Jennifer Kathrine Kugler of Colorado Springs, Colorado and Lance Wayne Smith of Silverton, Texas were married at six-thirty in the evening on Saturday, January 3, at Sunrise United Methodist Church in Colorado Springs. The Reverend Emory Cowan performed the double-ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Colonel and Mrs. John Kugler of Colorado Springs and is the granddaughter of Almarieda Hyatt of Pine Bluff, Arkansas and the late Odell Hyatt and William (Bill) and Mary Alice Kugler of Houston, Texas.

Parents of the groom are Dr. and Mrs. Gerald Smith of Silverton, Texas. A single yellow rose was placed on the altar in memory of his mother, Raye Garrison Smith. He is the grandson of Lottie Garrison of Silverton, Texas and the late Don Garrison and Ruth Smith of Bentonville, Arkansas and the late J. T. Smith. He is the great-grandson of Doleta Boyce of Silverton.

Special music was performed before and during the ceremony by Conce Donegan, vocalist; Lois Moore, organist; Susan Fraser, pianist; Chris Walters, trumpeter. Selections included "Can You Feel the Love Tonight" by Walters and Ms. Moore; Canon in D as the wedding party entered, and the Bridal Chorus as the bride entered; "Ave Maria" during the lighting of the unity candle; "The Lord's Prayer" during the service of the Lord's Supper; and the Wedding March during the presentation of the new family.

The paternal grandmothers lighted the family candles before the couple lighted their unity candle.

The maid of honor was Alison Kugler, sister of the bride, of Colorado Springs. Bridesmaids were Tanna Sparks, cousin of the bride, of Orlando, Florida and Jamie Edwards of Colorado Springs. The bridesmaids carried bouquets of Dutch calla lilies and winter greenery.

Matt Thompson of Abernathy, Texas served as best man, and Andy Wills of Kansas City, Missouri, cousin of the groom, and Wil T. Bomar of Silverton, Texas served as ushers and groomsmen.

The bride wore an ivory silk gown designed with V-neckline and Victorian lace covering the bodice and a chapel-length train. She carried a cascade of white bridal roses, Casablanca lilies, white disrobium orchids, ivy and miniature calla lilies.

A reception was held after the ceremony at the United States Air Force Academy Officers' Club in Colorado Springs.

Erin Davis presided at the guest book, securing the signatures of the guests for the wedding book.

A rehearsal dinner was hosted by Mr and Mrs. Gerald Smith at the Briarhurst Manor in Manitou



Mr. and Mrs. Lance Wayne Smith

Springs, Colorado on January 2 for the bridal party and many out-of-town guests.

Among other relatives and friends of the groom attending the wedding were aunts, Dona Smith of Quitaque, Texas and Roy Reed of Silverton, Texas; cousins, Shonda Wills, Kansas City, Missouri and Devona Smith of Amarillo, Texas; Clay Whittington and Dusty Martin of Silverton, Texas.

The couple is now residing in Bryan, Texas.



Shani Shofner

Reception to Honor Girl Scout Director

A reception will be held at the Girl Scout Hut in Plainview in honor of Shani Shofner on Wednesday, February 18, from 5:00 until 6:00 p.m. Light refreshments will be served. Everyone is invited to come meet and get to know her.

She has been hired as the Membership Specialist for the Plainview area and the Adult Development Director for Caprook Council. She will office at the Girl Scout Hut in Plainview,

and will serve the Silverton Girl Scouts, as well as others. Her primary duty will be to work with adult volunteers and the community to provide the Girl Scout program to all girls in this area.

Notify IRS of Address Changes

Calley Payne

County Extension Agent

According to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), some \$62 billion worth of refund checks have not been delivered to taxpayers. The IRS indicates that some checks are for more than \$10,000.

Why?

Because taxpayers have not informed the IRS of a new address, said Dr. Lynn White, a consumer/family science specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

"Simply filling out an address change with the post office will not assure forwarding of documents that could involve money, such as documents from the IRS or a bank or other financial institution," White said.

If you think you are due a refund you have not received, call (800) TAX-FORM for IRS Form 3911, Taxpayer Statement Regarding Refund. To notify the IRS of a new address, file Form 8822, Change of Address. To locate IRS forms on the web, search for ftp://ftp.fedworld.gov/pub/ire-pdf

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Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (Southwestern Bell) filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) to charge an additional 26 cents per month per line to recover costs for providing Expanded Local Calling service (ELC) to certain Texas Customers.

The 26 cents per month surcharge would not be billed to customers who receive ELC. However, customers who receive ELC and pay less than the maximum \$3.50 a month residential ELC charge or less than the maximum \$7 business ELC charge will have to pay the additional 26 cents per month charge.

Expanded Local Calling was created in 1993 by Texas legislation that requires telephone companies to provide toll-free calling between small towns that share a community of interest such as a school or hospital district. The legislation allows telephone companies to recover costs not paid through customer charges by applying a surcharge to all other customers in the state who do not receive the ELC service or who do not pay the maximum ELC rate. The maximum monthly ELC rate allowed under state law is \$3.50 per line for residential customers and \$7 per line for business customers.

Southwestern Bell estimates that the 26 cents per month per line charge will recover the \$27 million annual cost of providing ELC service that is not recovered from ELC rates.

If approved by the PUC, the monthly statewide surcharge of 26 cents per line per month will begin with the April, 1998 billing cycles, with an agreement to refund all or part of the charge if the PUC does not approve it.

For questions about the reasons for the charge, please call the Southwestern Bell Business Office listed in your directory.

The PUC assigned Docket Number 18513 to this proceeding. The deadline for intervention in this matter is March 31, 1998. Persons who wish to intervene or comment in these proceedings should notify the PUC by March 31, 1998. All requests to intervene should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, TX, 78711-3326. For information intervening, please call the PUC at 1-888-782-8477 or at 512-936-7120.

AVISO PUBLICO

Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (Southwestern Bell) presentó una solicitud ante la Comisión de Servicios Públicos de Texas (PUC) para cobrar 26 centavos más al mes por línea para recuperar los costos por el servicio de Llamadas Locales Ampliadas (ELC) a ciertos clientes en Texas.

El cargo de 26 centavos al mes no se cobrará a los clientes que reciben ELC. Sin embargo, los clientes que reciben ELC y pagan menos del máximo de \$3.50 al mes por el servicio ELC residencial o menos del máximo de \$7 por el servicio ELC comercial, tendrán que pagar 26 centavos adicionales a su pago mensual.

El servicio de Llamadas Locales Ampliadas (ELC) fue establecido en 1993 por la legislación del estado de Texas y requiere que las compañías prestadoras de servicios telefónicos ofrezcan llamadas de larga distancia gratuitas entre pequeñas poblaciones que comparten un interés común tales como distritos escolares y de hospitales. Esta ley permite que las compañías telefónicas recuperen los costos no pagados mediante cargos a clientes, a través de un cargo a todos los demás clientes en el estado que no reciben el servicio ELC o que no pagan la tarifa máxima del servicio ELC. La tarifa máxima mensual permitida por la ley estatal es \$3.50 por línea para clientes con servicio residencial y \$7 por línea para clientes con servicio comercial.

Southwestern Bell calcula que los 26 centavos al mes por línea cubrirán los \$27 millones del costo anual del servicio ELC que no está cubierto por las tarifas de ELC.

Si la PUC autoriza el cargo mensual estatal de 26 centavos al mes por línea éste comenzará a partir de los ciclos de facturación de abril 1998, con el acuerdo de reembolsar todo o parte del cargo si la PUC no lo autoriza.

Para preguntas relacionadas con este cargo, por favor llame a la Oficina Local de Southwestern Bell listada en su directorio telefónico.

La PUC asignó el número de registro de 18513 a este procedimiento. El plazo de intervención sobre este asunto terminará el 31 de marzo de 1998. Las personas que deseen intervenir o hacer comentarios sobre este procedimiento deberán notificar a la PUC antes del 31 de marzo de 1998. Todas las solicitudes de intervención deberán enviarse por correo a Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, TX 78711-3326. Para mayor información sobre la intervención, por favor comuníquese con la PUC al 1-888-782-8477 o al 512-936-7120.

 **Southwestern Bell**

Owls, Lady Owls Moving Nearer Basketball Playoff Competition

Both the Owls and Lady Owls have advanced toward the basketball playoffs during the past week with victories over Groom and Hedley.

When the teams hosted Groom, the junior varsity Lady Owls led off the action with a big 45-17 victory. Taylor Griffin had the hot hands and led the offense with a big 23-point effort. Brooke Garvin added 10, Dara Johnston rang up eight, and Sharyl McMurtrey rounded out the score with four points.

Three-pointers were hit by Taylor (1) and Dara (2).

Lady Owls	15	20	35	45
Groom	6	8	10	17

The junior varsity Owls dropped a close game 44-37.

Adrian Ramirez led the scoring with 12 points. Also scoring were Max Whitworth, seven; Gary Whitworth and Clint Ivory, six points each; Paul Segura, four; Bert Garza, two points.

Three-point shots were hit by Paul (1) and Gary (1).

Owls	1	16	27	37
Groom	9	21	31	44

The Lady Owls started slowly, looking a little disorganized, and found themselves in a 39-39 tie at the end of regulation play. They defeated the Groom ladies 47-45 in the overtime period.

Lacy Brunson led the scoring with 21 points, six of which were scored in overtime. Also scoring were Lindsey Weaks, eight; Dara Ramsey, six, including two in overtime; Michelle Warren, five; Destiny Ivory, four; Misty Wilkinson, two; Sara Kirchoffner, one point.

Three-point shots were hit by Lindsey (2) Dara (1) and Lacy (1). The Groom ladies popped in seven three-point shots.

Lady Owls	10	23	27	35	47
Groom	12	22	35	39	45

After losing their first game to Groom, the Owls roared back to take this game by a 71-34 margin.

Jack Cherry had a very good game, ringing up 26 big points. Trey Wyatt added 17 and Jared Holt got 12. Also scoring were Nathan Francis, nine; Jay Arnold, six; Jeremy Holt, one point.

Three-pointers were hit by Jack (2) and Trey (4).

Owls	11	32	57	71
Groom	11	14	25	34

The junior varsity teams didn't have games against Hedley, and the varsity teams both suited up some of the younger players.

The Lady Owls charged to a 60-27 victory behind the scoring of Lacy Brunson, 20. Adding to the score were Sara Kirchoffner, Lindsey Weaks and Dara Ramsey, eight points each; Misty Wilkinson and Michelle Warren, seven points each; Taylor Griffin, two points.

Lady Owls	14	26	50	60
Hedley	2	10	21	27

Three-pointers were hit by Misty (1), Sara (2) and Dara (2). The Owls played to a 64-44

decision over the Groom Tigers.

Trey Wyatt led the offense with a big 23-point effort. Jack Cherry scored 16 and Jared Holt added 15. Also scoring were Nathan Francis, four; Jeremy Holt, Jay Arnold and Will Hester, two points each.

A three-point shot was hit by Trey (1).

Owls	17	29	41	64
Hedley	10	20	25	44

Silverton School Lunch Menu

Monday, Feb. 16--Student Holiday

Tuesday, Feb. 17--Chicken Tetrazzini, Salad, Corn, Crackers, Brownie, Milk

Wednesday, Feb. 18--Cold Ham & Cheese Sandwich, Salad, Baked Potato Wedges, Chips, Cherry Dessert, Milk

Thursday, Feb. 19--Steak Fingers, Gravy, Green Beans, Mashed Potatoes, Hot Rolls, Honey, Butter, Milk

Friday, Feb. 20--Hamburger & Cheese, Salad, French fries, Cookie, Milk

Silverton School Activities

Thursday, Feb. 12--Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.; Six Weeks Tests (odd)

Friday, Feb. 13--End of Six Weeks; Six Weeks Tests (even)

Saturday, Feb. 14--Sweetheart Prom, 7:00 p.m.

Monday, Feb. 16--Staff Development, 8:00-4:00; Student Holiday; Presidents' Day

Tuesday, Feb. 17--Fine Arts Concerts: Pk-6, 9:00 a.m.; 7-12, 10:00 a.m.



On December 7, 1787, Delaware became the first of the original 13 states to ratify the Constitution.



Aesop's fables were compiled (if not actually written) by a Greek writer named Babrios.

Good Luck, Owls, Lady Owls

College Course Bugs Students

Pammy Millican
County Extension Agent

Along with the chips and dip, you'll find sauteed crickets and meal worms served up for the Entomology 222 course at Texas A&M. Eating the insects isn't mandatory, but it is encouraged.

Professor Roger Gold says he tries to make the point that insects are part of our food chain. Many times it is because they get into food during processing or storage. But sometimes it's because they are part of the natural process. For instance, it takes a tiny wasp to pollinate a fig blossom. The wasp becomes trapped and the fruit forms around it. So every time you eat a fig, you are also eating the wasp. And Gold says there's nothing wrong with that.

Junior High Owls Win Hedley Tournament; Lady Owls in Second

The Junior High Owls rolled over all competition in the round robin tournament held at Hedley Thursday and Saturday of last week. The Lady Owls dropped their second game in the tournament after falling behind in the first quarter and being unable to make up the deficit.

Teams in the tournament were from Hedley, Silverton, McLean and Samnorwood.

On Thursday night the Owls and Lady Owls played the teams from Samnorwood, and both were victorious.

Red Ivory led the scoring for the Owls with 12 points, closely followed by Matt Strange with 10. Rounding out the score were Andrew Francis, seven; Nicholas Vargas, six; Clay McMurtrey and Jr. Gonzalez, four points each; Dustin Hale and Jimmy Castillo, two points each.

JH Owls	12	25	37	47
Samnorwood	0	2	2	11

The Lady Owls took a 34-15 win after leading all the way.

Lauren Van Horn led the scoring with 12 points, followed by Chelsey Cherry, with 10. Also scoring were Kurby Garvin, four; Tarran Forbes and Brandi Rice, two points each.

Lauren hit a three pointer for the Lady Owls.

JH Lady Owls	13	17	30	34
Samnorwood	3	5	9	15

The Red Owls defeated Hedley's Green Owls 52-34 behind the scoring effort of Andrew Francis, 15; Red Ivory, 14, and Jimmy Castillo, 10. Also scoring were Jr. Gonzalez, six; Matt Strange, three; Chase Comer and John Arnold, two points each.

Andrew dropped in a three pointer for the Red Owls.

JH Owls	14	25	38	52
Hedley	7	18	25	34

The Lady Owls fell behind Hedley in the early going of their game, and recovered in the second half but not enough to take the game.

Chelsey Cherry led the scoring with eight points. Others scoring

People in other parts of the world regularly eat insects for the protein and calories. Gold created the introductory entomology class to be a sort of 'bugs are fun' teaching tool. You will find a few entomology majors in there, but for the most part, they are students who signed up because they heard it was one of the most interesting courses on campus.

Besides eating bugs, Gold and his assistant Harry Howell also show students how insects inspire. They bring in songs that feature insects such as the Ike and Tina Turner song from the '70s called 'Funkier than a Mosquiter's Tweeter.' They show them movies with giant mutant insects ravaging the country-wide. And they have them write their own poems and stories. The class wraps up with students being required to keep an insect alive for 30 days. Gold says many students opt for roaches because

they figure they will be hard to kill.

Entomology 222 is offered each spring and fall and is limited to 80 students.

A & M Science Academy Begun

Calley Payne
County Extension Agent

Texas A&M University is doing something most schools are not. It's creating its own A&M science academy in a high school.

The unique partnership allows high school and college students to learn from each other. The pilot program is at A&M Consolidated High School in College Station. It lumps together physical science, agricultural science, biology and English. Instead of going to four different classes, students have one class with projects that integrate all four subjects.

A&M Consolidated freshmen Alan Cunningham and Graham Nessler say it's easier to learn when you approach them as one unit. They say the environment nurtures ideas and promotes open minds. One exercise deals with crime scene analysis. Science teacher Elizabeth Abouelkheir says the students began by learning about prejudice as they read *To Kill a Mockingbird*. They they focused on biotechnology and forensics to solve the crime.

Texas A&M University students come in periodically to work with the ninth graders. Their instructor, Craig Edwards, says they are primarily college students whose sights are set on becoming agricultural science teachers and agricultural Extension agents. He says their interaction with adolescents is highly beneficial.

Aggie sophomore Ann Henson sees the value of this experience in her career and in life in general. She says she's learned much from observing the differences in personalities and levels of comprehension. It's a learning partnership that's paying off for both the high school and the university. Organizers intend to expand the program to schools throughout the state.

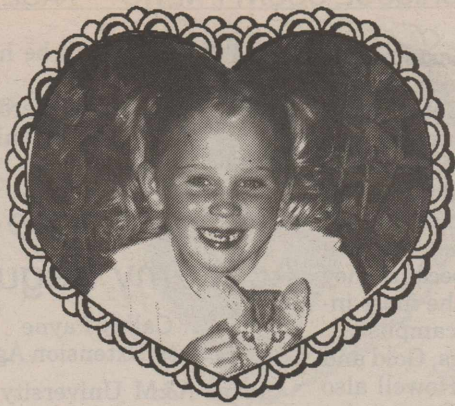


The next time you're on a ship remember: The fore is the front and the aft is the back.



Denim was first woven in Nimes, France, about 300 CE and was called *serge de Nimes*.

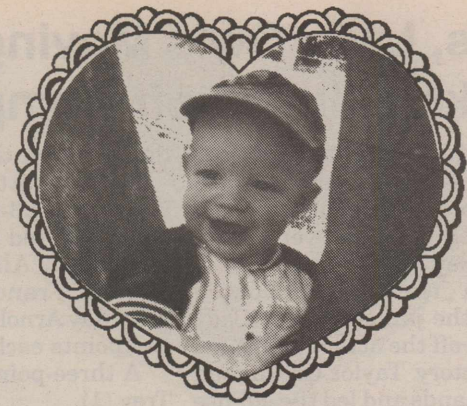
JH Owls	12	28	35	52
Hedley	10	28	39	51



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Children of Mike & Laura Long
Grandchildren of Beryl & Dottie Long



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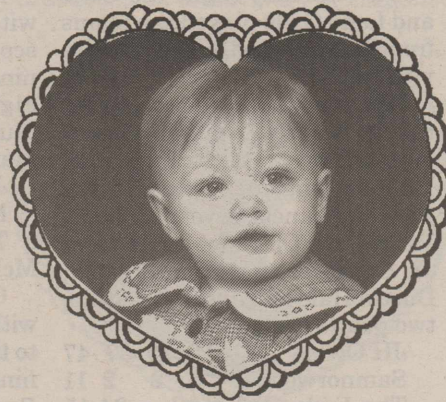
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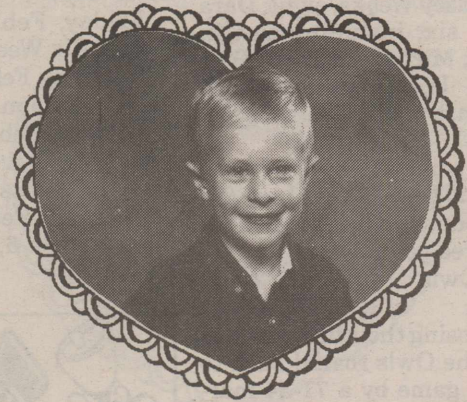
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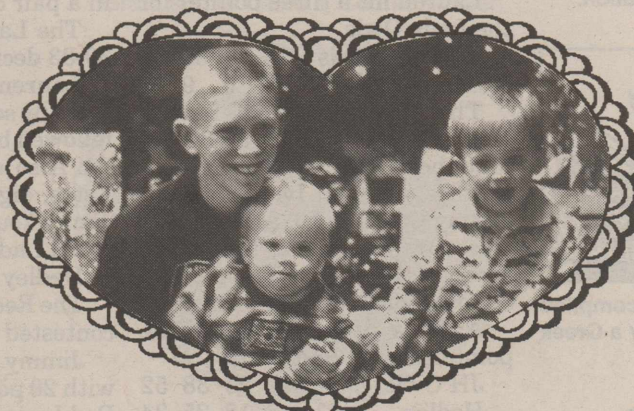
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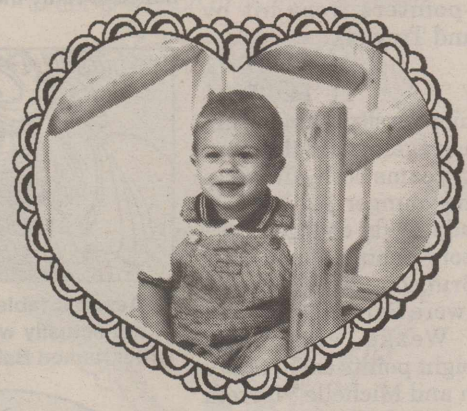
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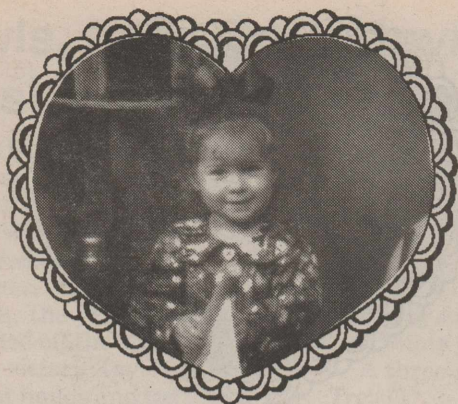
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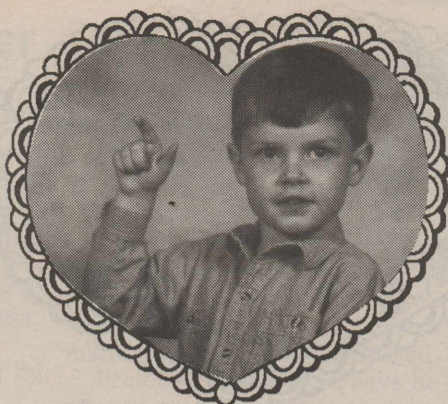
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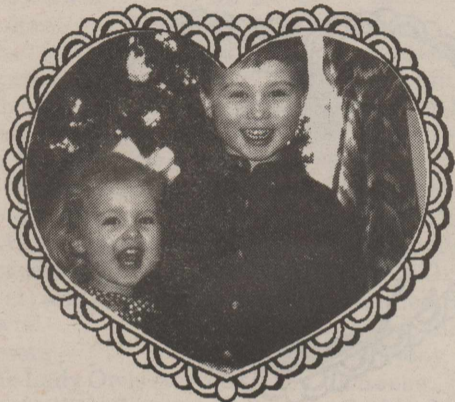
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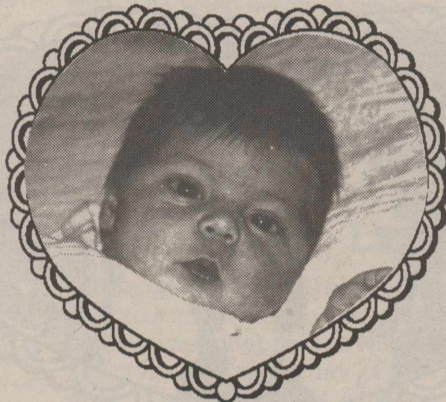
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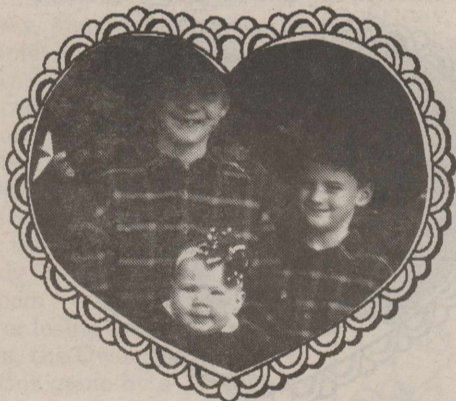
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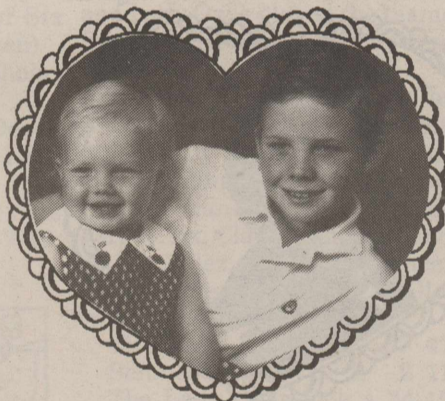
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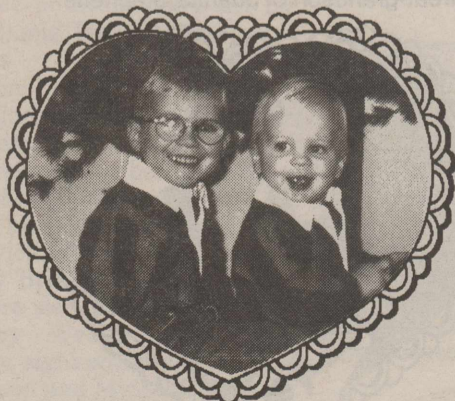
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 Grandchildren of Reba Tipton and the late David Tipton,
 Aaron & Mary Lane Younger
 Great-grandchildren of Anna Belle Tipton



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 Children of Rick & Beverly Minyard
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 Grandchildren of John & Barbara McDonough
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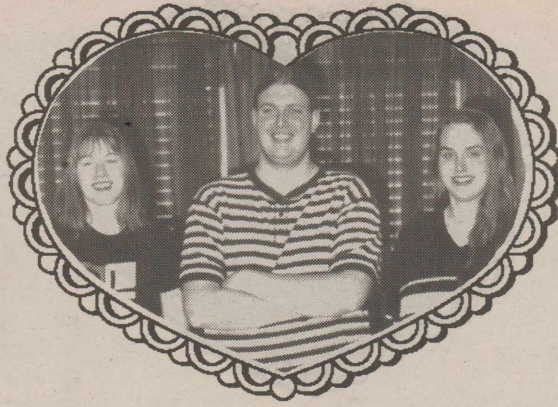
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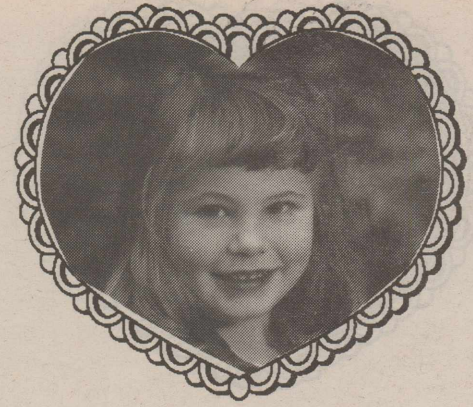
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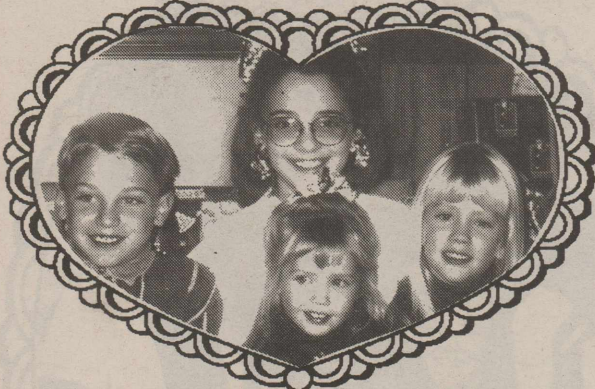
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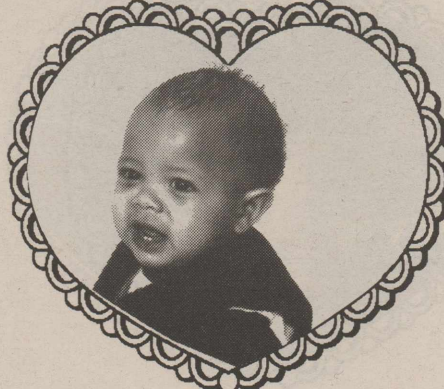
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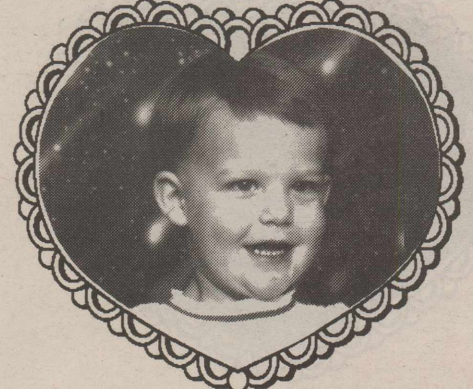
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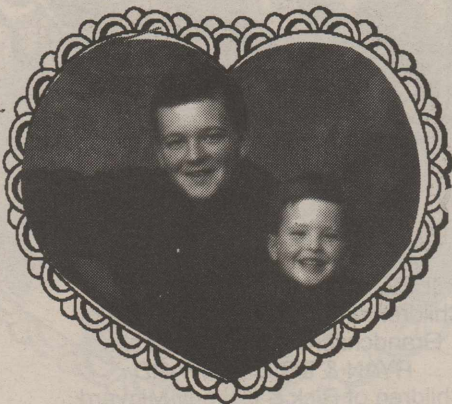
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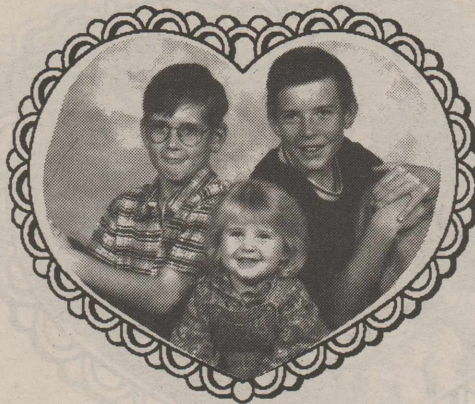
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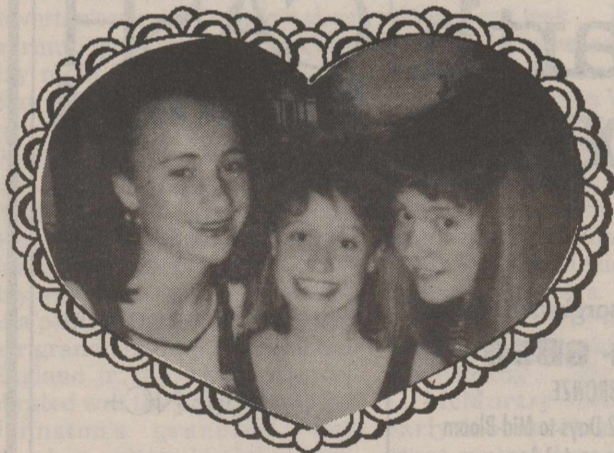
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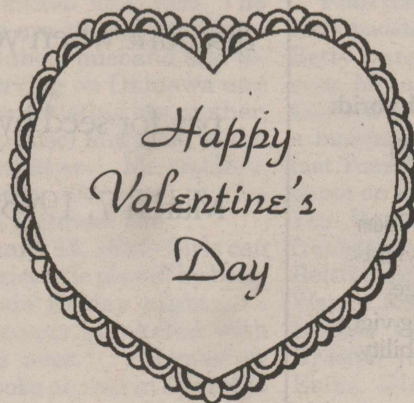
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and Elsie Cornett



CORTNEY HILL
Daughter of Greg & Karen Hill
Granddaughter of Donald & Carlye Fleming,
Robert & Elvira Hill, Donnie & Carol Martin
Great-granddaughter of Iwana Monroe



TAYLOR HILL
Daughter of Greg & Karen Hill
Granddaughter of Donald & Carlye Fleming,
Robert & Elvira Hill, Donnie & Carol Martin
Great-granddaughter of Iwana Monroe



DONOVAN NASH
Son of Dona Earle
Grandson of Joe & Millie Roberts



TELCOT[®] Report

A WEEKLY SUMMARY OF COTTON MARKETING NEWS

For the Week Ending February 5, 1998

New York cotton futures rallied on a bullish U. S. cotton acreage figure before falling slightly on trade and local selling ahead of Friday's March options expiration. Even a higher-than-expected export sales figure could not move the market significantly; however, some in the industry believe market focus may again return to thoughts of U. S. cotton acreage and the 1998-99 season after March options expire.

The National Cotton Council's (NCC) annual survey of growers' planting intentions for 1998-99 supports early thoughts of a substantial reduction in cotton acreage, which suggests a potential 3.0 million bale decline in U. S. output from USDA's January estimate of 18.9 million bales.

NCC now estimates 12.1 million U. S. acres will be planted to cotton in 1998-99, down 12 percent from 13.8 million a year ago. Therefore, U. S. cotton acreage could be the lowest since 10.6 million acres were planted in 1989-90. The primary reason for the decline in cotton acreage is grower dissatisfaction with current spot and futures prices which put cotton at a disadvantage to competing crops.

The largest decline is expected to occur in the Mid-South, where the upland cotton area is projected at 2.7 million acres, down 21 percent. Declines in acres will be smaller in the Southwest as growers intend to plant 5.2 million acres, reducing cotton acres in the region by only nine percent. In Texas, cotton acres also are expected to decline to 4.9 million acres with Oklahoma basically unchanged at 200,000 acres.

Demand for U. S. cotton in 1998-99 likely will use up much of the season's smaller crop and result in much lower ending stocks, according to the NCC. The combined export and mill demand coupled with a smaller crop could lead to U. S. ending stocks of 2.7 million bales in 1998-99, a significant decline from this year's 4.3 million.

In other news, USDA's weekly export sales figure was better than expected even though many Asian buyers were devoting their time to celebration of the Chinese

Lunar New Year. The department reported net export sales of 1997-98 crop cotton increased 92,300 bales for the week ended January 29, higher than last week's sales of 87,500 bales. Featured buyers were Mexico, Turkey, Indonesia and China. In addition, USDA reported net export sales of 1998-99 U. S. cotton totaled only 9,900 bales for the same period, compared with 23,500 the previous week.

According to one market observer, many in the market will focus a considerable amount of their attention on upcoming export reports as competition for export business will increase this spring and summer. Australia, a chief export competitor with a record large crop this year, has not yet harvested cotton. Competition also will come from West Africa and Uzbekistan.

Additionally, concerns linger about possibly lower U. S. cotton sales to Asia and other areas of the world. But U. S. sales have been strong in 1997-98, with many industry analysts expecting final exports to reach or even exceed USDA's 7.3 million bales for this season; however, one analyst noted that much of the U. S. export sales to Asian countries has yet to be shipped. He noted that as of January 22, the U. S. had sold approximately 3.5 million bales to the region and shipped only 50 percent. Therefore, Asia's financial problems will continue to be monitored closely, as they could have a significant effect on U. S. and world cotton trade.

On the spot cotton scene, sales soared as market prices rose to a level more attractive to producers. In the five trading days ended February 5, sales of cotton on the TELCOT electronic marketing system totaled 148,780 bales, more than doubling the previous week's 64,797 bale figure. Average daily prices received by producers on TELCOT ranged from 55.97 to 57.44 cents per pound during the week.

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Rose Growing In Popularity

Pammy Millican
County Extension Agent

Roses are among the most popular flowers in the world and now you don't have to have a yard to grow them. Experiment Station horticulturist Dr. Brent Pemberton researches roses and says potted roses started in Europe and over the past ten to fifteen years have taken root in America. He says there are roses that come in pots as small as three inches. However, Americans prefer larger plants with bigger flowers.

Pemberton says potted roses come in a large variety of colors. He predicts a new color called apricot sunblaze will catch on quickly. It is a gorgeous bi-colored rose that mixes bright orange and yellow. Pemberton says the larger varieties tend to be more heat tolerant, but the color may not be

as robust in sweltering temperatures. And he says if you take potted roses outside, they are susceptible to the same diseases garden roses get, such as black spot. They should also get the same treatment to get rid of the diseases and insects. He recommends using a slow-release fertilizer with periodic treatments of iron, magnesium and other micronutrient. And he cautions that potted roses are sensitive to sodium, so it may be best to use rain water instead of tap water.

been produced and perfected in San Antonio. Extension horticulturist Dr. Jerry Parsons says work began after someone noticed the odd composition of petals. To make them stand out better, horticulturists tweaked the colors. Now it looks like a white rabbit head, ears and all, placed on top a plaque of pink petals. The best part is it blooms just in time for Easter and is sure to fascinate children.

Bunny Bloom Larkspur Perfect For Easter

Pammy Millican
County Extension Agent

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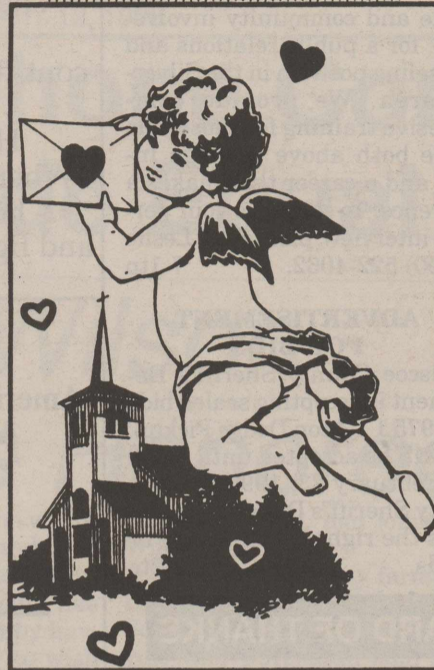
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Saint Valentine's Day



Valentine's Day is special because it celebrates the love we feel for one another and the love that God has for us. God is love, and it would be such a blessing if everyone could say that they love not only God, but everybody in the world. God our Father, created each of us, and we are all brothers and sisters through Him. Although we may not always approve of each other's actions or deeds, like God, we should hate sin but love the sinner. The Bible tells us that we all have sinned and have come short of the glory of God, but that God's love is everlasting. If we could repeat to ourselves every day, a silent prayer like, "God loves me, I love God, I love everybody", perhaps God would help us to become more loving towards each other.

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KJV Matthew 22:39

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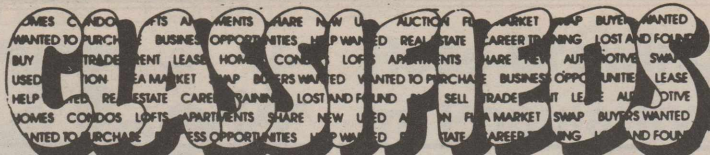
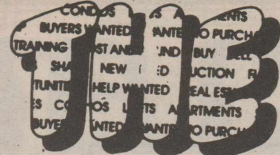
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Clifton and Joy Stodghill

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Jack Estes

Thank you to the Century of Progress Study Club for sharing with us the proceeds of the 1997 Christmas Greeting Page. We sincerely appreciate it and we thank each one who gave to the page. We are happy to serve this caring community.
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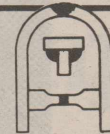
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