

## All Around The Town

By Mary Ann Sarchet



We need to keep Diana Wood in our prayers. A few days ago she found a lump under her arm and underwent surgery at Baylor Hospital in Dallas Wednesday of last week. She and her husband, Bill Wood, live in Cisco where he is school superintendent. He is a former coach in Silverton High School and is a cousin of Ken Wood.

Bill and Diana are planning a home they will build for their retirement on their ranch near Claude.

Diana is the daughter of Norman and Peggy Strange, and is the sister of Bill Strange and Kay Strange Garrison.

Nancy Wood tells me that Kenda's steer that won the Grand Championship of the San Antonio Livestock Show was the animal that was the Reserve Champion of the Briscoe County Show. The Grand Champion of the county show will be shown in Houston.

Of course you remembered! Walter Arnold, at 31, a five-year veteran of the professional rodeo circuit, won the 1969 Steer Roping World Championship in the national finals held in Pecos.

In 1965, Walter was winner of the steer roping event at the National Cowboy Finals, but was behind others in total winnings for the year and couldn't receive the pleasure of seeing his name on the marquee of the Oklahoma City arena as the World Champion Steer Roper.

Though he is still a very good roper, Walter doesn't enter as many events as he did when he was traveling 40,000 to 50,000 miles a year to enter 50 or 60 rodeos and 25 to 35 jackpot ropings.

Our grandson, Jordan Sarchet, and the Tahoka Bulldogs won their area game with Ozona in Big Spring Friday night, and were to play Wall in the regional quarterfinals in Big Spring Tuesday night. Brad Pebsworth scored 30 points for the Dawgs, Sedrick Williams got 23 and Jordan added 10 in the area-round game.

Walt and Jennifer Garrison of Perryton are proud to announce the birth of their first child, a son, Greg Lee Garrison.

Greg Lee was born Thursday, Feb. 18, at 9:58 p.m. at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo. He weighed 8 lbs. 10 1/4 ozs. and measured 20 1/2 inches in length.

Grandparents are Terry and Sally Grimland of Silverton and Max and Kay Garrison of Canyon.

Great-grandparents are Grace Hutsell of Beach, ND; Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Hutsell of Northridge, CA; Norman and Peggy Strange, Pascal and Donaleta Garrison, all of Silverton; Doris Yates of Ralls. Great-great-grandmother is Fern Holt of Silverton.



# Briscoe County News

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## Baker Serves as Model For Sculpture of Early Minister

Jerry Baker was just walking through an art gallery one day looking at the paintings.

The next thing he knew, he was being asked to pose as a model for a sculpture of one of the most respected African American



Jerry Baker

preachers in post-Revolutionary War America.

Baker had gone to Kenneth Wyatt's studio in Tulia with a group from Plainview's Faith Family Church, where he is a member, when Wyatt noticed something.

He noticed that Baker bore a remarkable resemblance to a charcoal drawing of Harry Hosier, a Methodist preacher who accompanied renowned minister Francis Asbury around the country.

Asbury Theological Seminary in Wilmore, Kentucky is named after the reverend.

The seminary had approached Wyatt, himself a Methodist minister, about making a sculpture of Hosier to recognize his contributions to the church in the late 1700s. They sent along a charcoal drawing from which Wyatt was supposed to work.

With only that image to go on, Wyatt was faced with a difficult challenge.

Then, in walked Baker.

"Jerry came through my studio one day and he was a spitting image (of Hosier in the drawing)", the sculptor said.

According to Baker, he was surprised at first when Wyatt asked him to pose for the work; however, after the artist offered to come to Plainview to pick him up, Baker said he realized Wyatt was serious.

Still, he did not know what to expect when he got to Tulia.

"I thought it would be just like going and having a picture taken. I didn't know it was going to be all that," Baker said with a laugh.

"All that" included having his face washed and smeared with oil, and then covered with plaster.

"It was real hot and I couldn't hardly breathe, either. I just had a little port for my nose," he said, adding that he had to be still as

long as he had the mold around his head.

The mold took two sessions, one hour in which Wyatt did Baker's face, and a 30-minute one where he did the back of Baker's head.

Although the process was uncomfortable, Baker said he enjoyed posing for the sculpture and felt honored, especially after he learned that Hosier could not read or write.

Wyatt explained that Hosier was a former slave who went with Asbury to preach to the slaves after Asbury had spoken to the white congregation.

"He was so good, the white people stayed also," Wyatt said.

The sculpture was commissioned about three years ago, Wyatt said, adding that he felt honored to be asked to do the work and enjoyed working with Baker.

"He's a good model--did everything I asked him to. It was just a pleasure to work with Jerry and a privilege to be asked to do the sculpture," concluded Wyatt, whose paintings of Christ's apostles from real-life models have won national acclaim.

Jerry Baker is a former Silverton resident and son of Mrs. Dorothy Baker. He has made his home in Plainview for the past several years. He is a brother of the late Charlie Baker and Janice Baker.

## Jamboree Goes Onstage Here Saturday Night

Caprock Jamboree goes on stage for its next monthly show on Saturday night, March 6, at the Showbarn in Silverton.

Quitaque Lions Club will be serving mesquite-grilled hamburgers with all the trimmings beginning at 5:30 p.m. The Lions Club would like for you to bring any old eye glasses that you don't wear anymore for their project.

Performers who will be taking the stage beginning at 7:00 p.m. are Taylor Gilmore, Lewis McDaniel, Janet & Roger Denton, Ron Brunson, Monte Fowler and The Country Sounds.

The Jamboree will celebrate its tenth year May 1, and a special program is being planned.



This sculpture of the African American preacher Harry Hosier was sculpted by Tulia artist Kenneth Wyatt. Plainviewan Jerry Baker posed for the piece. Hosier was a former slave who accompanied renowned minister Francis Asbury after the American Revolution.

## Man Indicted For Murder of Businessman

John (Corky) Garner, 64, the former Quitaque man accused in the shooting death of prominent businessman Roye Pigg last summer, was indicted on a first-degree murder charge Wednesday of last week by the Briscoe County grand jury.

Garner faces five to 99 years or life in prison if he is convicted, Special Prosecutor John Mann said.

"It was a fairly routine presentation," Mann said of his statements to the grand jury.

Garner, who no longer lives in Briscoe County, did not attend Wednesday's grand jury meeting. He could not be reached for comment.

Pigg was shot to death June 4, two days before the National Trails Day, a weekend festival he helped found in 1995. The celebration draws visitors to nearby Caprock Canyons State Park, a popular tourist attraction for the area.

Garner has since moved to Fort Worth after a court order that required him to leave the area pending his release from jail on bond.

## Filing Deadline Approaching For Candidates

The terms of office of Mayor John Bowman and Councilmen W. D. Rowell and Lane Garvin are expiring, and there will be a general election held by the City of Silverton if more than one candidate is nominated for each of these positions.

The terms of Penny Carpenter and Dewey Estes on the board of trustees of the Silverton Independent School District also are expiring this year.

Deadline for filing as a candidate to get your name on either ballot is Wednesday, March 17. You may have your name placed on the city ballot by contacting Jerry Patton at the City Hall before that date. To get your name placed in nomination for a seat on the school board of trustees, you need to go by the school office.

Both elections will be held May 1 if more than one candidate for each office seeks places on the ballot.

## Fire Department To Feed Scouts

Silverton Volunteer Fire Department will serve supper to the Silverton Boy Scout Troop beginning at 7:00 p.m. Thursday (tonight) at the City Hall.

The supper will be given in appreciation to the Scouts for their service in picking up and hauling off broken tree limbs after the recent ice storm.

This is the regular meeting night for the Silverton firemen.

## Upcoming Events

March 8--Briscoe County Commissioners Court, 10:00 a.m.

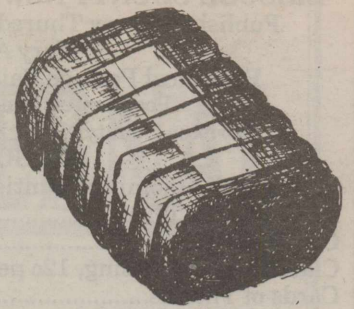
March 11--Briscoe County Tax Appraisal Board, 9:00 a.m.; Silverton Chamber of Commerce, 7:00 p.m.

Mann, who normally tries cases in Pampa, was appointed to Garner's case after Becky McPherson, the district attorney, recused herself from the case last month.

Mrs. McPherson said she made the decision after learning that her father-in-law has money in escrow to buy Conservation Reserve Program land owned by Garner.

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## Obituary

### ONETA BARRETT

Services for Oneta Barrett, 88, were conducted at 11:00 a.m. February 25, at the Church of Christ in Shamrock with Cottie Tarbet officiating. Burial was in the Shamrock Cemetery by Wright Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Barrett died Tuesday, February 23.

Born in Provence, Oklahoma, Mrs. Barrett was reared in Lockney. She was graduated from Lockney High School and West Texas State College.

She had lived in Shamrock for many years where she was a teacher for the Shamrock Independent School District. She taught second grade and sixth

grade for many years, having taught a total of 38 years in the Shamrock ISD. She was a member of the Church of Christ and the Retired Teachers Association.

She married Price Conley Barrett in 1934 in Saayre, Oklahoma. He died in 1995.

Survivors include a daughter, Betty Mullican of Lubbock; two brothers, Leo Comer of Silverton and Lon Comer of Plainview; a sister, Lela Fore of Plainview, and three grandchildren.

The family requested memorials be made to the Shamrock Public Library or the Shamrock Cemetery Association.

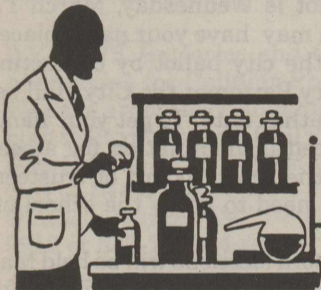
### JACK ESTES

Services for Jack Estes, 90, were conducted at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday at First Baptist Church, with the pastor, Rev. Randy Mullin, officiating.

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

Mr. Estes died Sunday, February 28, 1999, in Plainview.

He was born July 13, 1908 in Cook County. He married Edna Blanks on December 11, 1929 in Marietta, Oklahoma. He farmed and ranched in the Silverton area from 1942 until his retirement. He was a member of First



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**Rock Creek Church of Christ**

## Friendship Quilters News & Notes

by Nina Martin

Last Tuesday Bobbye Bean and Sybil King came to my house and we sewed the raffle quilt blocks together. Thursday the quilt was put into the quiltin frames. I'm calling this quilt "Black, White and Red All Over."

Present were Lallie Patton, Marie Rogers, Wanda Strange, Joy Stodghill, Sybil King, Juanita Howard, Nelda Jasper, Nadyne Childress, Mary Burson, Bobbye Bean and myself.

Juanita Stephens is in Abilene to be with her sister, Minnie. Minnie's husband is recovering from surgery.

Eudean Crow accompanied Anna Belle Tipton to Amarillo to the eye doctor. Anna Belle had cataract surgery.

Mary Ann Rauch and Bobbye Bean attended the play "Les Miserables" in Amarillo Thursday night. They reported it was really great.

Merlene and Doyle Stephens came home Tuesday. They have been at their lake house since January.

John and Maebelle Francis, Vivone and Fred Arnold, Glenda and Alvie Francis, Elton Cantwell, Nina Martin, Lucy Dean Record and Ike Johnson ate supper at the El Camino in Tulia Sunday night after church.

A camel needs little water because it sweats very little, and keeps most of the water that is in its body.

Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife; three daughters, Melba Gillihan of Silverton, Valda Ferguson of DeQueen, Arkansas and Doris McDonald of Idalou; a son, Dewey Estes of Silverton; a sister, Doris Mannewitz of Dallas; nine grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Gary Ferguson, Johnny Ferguson, Roy Ferguson, Charles Ferguson, Jim Estes, Ross Estes, Lorn Estes and James Hays.

Honorary pallbearers were Duane Reynolds, Bud Couch, Roy Mack Walker and Raymond McJimsey.

The family suggests memorials to Silverton Volunteer Ambulance Service, the Silverton Cemetery Association or to First Baptist Church.

## Youth Tour Contest Open For Entries

An all-expense paid trip to Washington, D. C. will be awarded to two area youth by Swisher Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Foir 33 years Swisher Electric has sponsored students on the "Government in Action" youth tour to Washington, D. C.

The winners will be selected on the basis of a speech contest to be held April 7 at Swisher Electric in Tulia.

Any 14- to 19-year-old attending school in Nazareth, Hart, Happy, Canyon, Kress, Tulia, Silverton or Olton, or home schooled in Swisher Electric's service area is eligible to enter the contest.

Swisher Electric will have a representative visiting area high schools during March 8-12 to present a program about the trip, hand out entry forms and answer questions about the contest. Those interested, who do not hear more about the contest through

## Water Medic To The Rescue

There is a new type of medic in Texas. This one is devoted to saving water, rather than lives, according to County Extension Agent Pammy Millican. The condition is critical. The patient is the state of Texas. By 2035, the water supply in Texas will no longer be able to meet demand. The state's population is growing too quickly and putting a severe strain on water resources. Pressed into service is a new group of people called the water medics. They are master gardeners with additional training in water conservation. They get 12 hours of training specifically in landscape water management, then they are obligated to perform 20 hours of community service. Many do not know how to conserve water with mulches and appropriate irrigation times.

## WEATHER

FEBRUARY 24-HOUR READINGS

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17	52	29	
18	62	28	
19	55	26	
20	60	24	
21	53	20	
22	50	27	
23	64	19	
24	58	18	
25	71	27	
26	77	30	
27	71	37	
28	56	27	
Total Feb. Precip.			.02
Normal Feb. Precip.			.60
Total Precip. Rec'd.			
Year to Date			2.29
Normal Precip. For Year to Date			1.25

their school, should contact Kacy Bivens at Swisher Electric Cooperative in Tulia, at 995-3567 or 1-800-530-4344.

The deadline for receiving entry forms is April 1.

The 1999 Youth Tour is scheduled June 17-29. Winners of Swisher Electric's speech contest will travel to Dallas to join other young people from all over Texas for the trip to Washington.

In Washington, the students will visit their U. S. Congressman, watch the House and Senate in action, tour the Supreme Court Building and visit the White House.

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## LOOKING BACK

through the files of the  
Briscoe County News

**March 2, 1989**--David Brunson, Quitaque City Manager, recently was appointed as a member of the board of the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission . . . Lallie Patton underwent major surgery at St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock last week . . . Dee McWilliams received his Eagle Scout award in a Court of Honor at Northwood Christian Church in Beaumont February 26 . . . Billy Edwards was given a surprise going-away party at his Mammer's house February 10 by his aunt, Frances Gamble . . . Earl Cantwell is planning to undergo bi-lateral knee replacement surgery in Plainview Friday . . .

**March 1, 1979**--Rebecca Reid represented Silverton High School at the University Interscholastic League Piano Solo Competition in Lubbock Saturday. She received a gold medal and will represent Silverton in Austin at the State Piano Solo Competition in June . . . Mrs. Duke (Mary) Woods of Quitaque, who is employed by Dr. James Chua Tuan at the clinic, entered St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo Monday of last week and underwent back surgery Thursday . . . Christi Comer showed the grand champion barrow of the Sherman County Livestock Show. She is the daughter of Buddy and Connie Comer and is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Dudley and Mr. and Mrs. Leo Comer . . .

**February 27, 1969**--Quitaque loses week of school to illness . . . H. E. Bothe, 76, buried at Denison last week . . . Drive-in theatre stockholders to meet . . . Miss Rhonda Rogers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Rogers, jr. of Quitaque, a freshman at Wayland College, is pledging Delta Chi Delta, women's social Club . . . Miss Anna Kay Stephens and Larry May are planning an April 1 wedding in the Ford Memorial Chapel of the First Baptist Church in Lubbock . . . Patsy Ann Davis is attending the Satellite Class in Tulia . . . Mrs. R. E. Sweek has been listed as a patient in the Lockney Hospital . . .

**February 26, 1959**--W. D. Peugh broke his wrist in a fall from his tractor Thursday afternoon of last week . . . Mrs. J. E. Minyard is reported to be improving in the Tulia hospital . . . Gerald Arnold is in Veterans Hospital in Amarillo . . . Mr. and Mrs. John Garner visited their son, Corky Garner, and Mrs. Garner's sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Olen Ward in Tucson, Arizona last week. Corky Garner is a student at the University of Arizona . . . Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McCracken were hosts at a family dinner Sunday honoring their granddaughter, Waynelle McCutchen, on her birthday anniversary. Guests were Mrs. W. G. Byrd,

Mrs. H. P. Rampley, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne McCutchen, Joy Ann and Richard Wayne, Joyce Fields and the honoree, Waynelle . . . Mr. and Mrs. Carol D. Davis and Alex and Mrs. Norland Dudley, Joan and Laura of Hart were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Dudley and Connie . . .

**March 3, 1949**--Don Cornett, 10, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oner Cornett, exhibited the grand champion calf at the Briscoe County Junior Livestock Show Saturday. Reserve champion of the show was exhibited by Pat Northcutt, 14, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Northcutt . . . Mrs. Jackie Wingo to appear in style show at Turkey . . . V. L. Stewart, owner of the City Tailor Shop, recently purchased the Earl Brock home . . . Mr. and Mrs. Pete Hoyt are the parents of a son, James Frederick . . . Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Mills are parents of a daughter, Ann . . . Mr. and Mrs. Amp Boling and family of Kress were visitors in the Edwin Crass home Sunday . . . Mr. and Mrs. Robert McJimsey and Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Self were in Amarillo on business Tuesday . . . Donna Mayfield and Mildred Bean spent the weekend with Patsy Crass . . . Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Martin are parents of a daughter, Sharon Frances . . . Lee Deavenport, Joe Lee Bomar, Don Cornett, Billy Tennison, Melvin, Fred and Wayne Hamilton attended the Fat Stock Show in Amarillo this week . . . Spence Long returned this week from a vacation trip to South Texas . . . Rev. and Mrs. Edwin Norris of Plainview spent the weekend with relatives . . . Betty Burson, Tobie Penn, Polly Brian and Jean Dudley spent the weekend here . . .

**February 23, 1939**--Luke Gilkeyson, a resident of Silverton for twenty years, passed away suddenly in Hot Springs, New Mexico, according to a telegram received here by relatives this morning . . . One of the most-talked-of-people in West Texas is Miss Gaynelle Douglas, who is a junior at West Texas State College at Canyon. When the students of that college went to the polls to select their personality queen for the year, they chose Gaynelle for the honor . . . Mr. and Mrs. Carver Monroe are the parents of a seven pound baby girl, Carlye Norma . . . Mrs. Pat Pavlicek left last week for Flomot to be with her husband who opened up a tailor shop there some time ago . . . Mr. and Mrs. Bud McMinn and children spent Sunday in Lockney visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Elma Seaney . . .

**April 18, 1929**--Miss Violet Maye Fisch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Fisch who live south of Silverton, is attending Texas Tech at Lubbock and made the honor roll for the winter term with a B average . . . Work started Thursday on the two brick busi-

ness houses on Main Street on the west side of the square, just north of Cowart & Son property. T. M. Nichols, manager of the Willson & Son Lumber Company, is erecting one of the store buildings on the lot adjacent to the M-System store recently acquired from R. M. King. Mrs. J. L. Cosby owns the other lot upon which the second building will be constructed. A dry goods firm will probably occupy one, and a grocery the other . . . Entered in the Quitaque Lawn & Garden Contest are Mrs. Robert Davis, Mrs. A. S. Alexander, Mrs. A. L. Patterson, Mrs. Earl Wise, Mrs. Orlin Stark, Mrs. Clyde Tunnell, Mrs. E. W. Tibbets, lawns; First

### Happy Birthday-

March 4--Zane Reagan, Bronco Otis, Emily J'Nae Garcia  
March 5--Wayne Cartrite, Wesley Francis, Matt McGinn, Carl Minard, Enrique Gamez  
March 6--Preston May, Mary John Harris  
March 7--J. T. West, Diamond Williams, Estelle South  
March 8--Shana Strange, Kerry Baird, Katy Bomar  
March 9--Mary Asebedo, Jace Francis, Kody Rhoderick  
Methodist Church, G. Tunnell, Mrs. J. W. Ewing, Mrs. Earl Wise, gardens . . .

### Happy Anniversary-

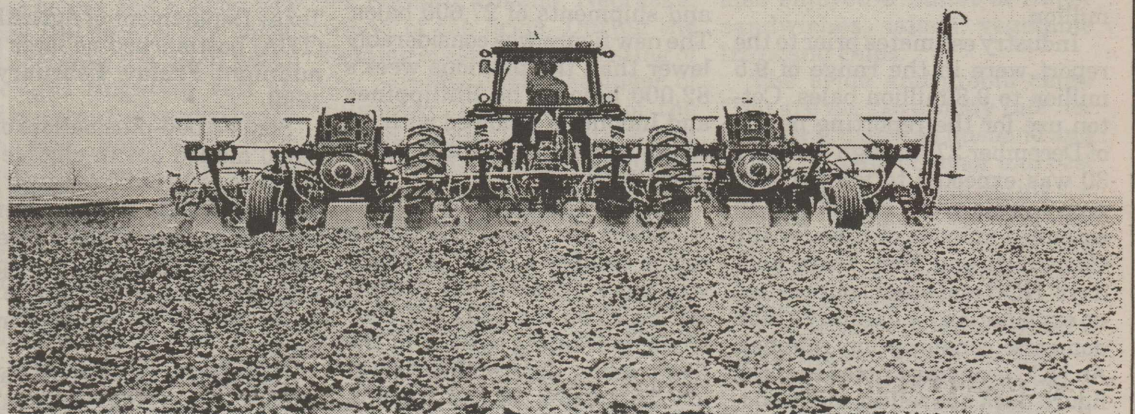
March 5--Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Lee Perkins  
March 10--Mr. and Mrs. Ken Wood

### Driver Licenses

Driver licenses and renewals are available at the Briscoe County Courthouse in Silverton beginning at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, March 9, and Tuesday, March 23. A representative of Panhandle Community Services will be in Silverton at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, March 17.

March 10--Michael Dallas Marley, Juannah Brice

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## A WEEKLY SUMMARY OF COTTON MARKETING NEWS

For the Week Ended February 25

Supportive domestic consumption results for the month of January and a healthy U. S. export sales report drove the market higher this week. In addition, spot cotton sales experienced a surge as prices inched higher and became more attractive to Texas/Oklahoma cotton producers.

The National Cotton Council (NCC) shocked the market with a much higher January domestic consumption number than most observers had anticipated. According to NCC, U. S. textile mills in January used cotton on a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 10.4 million bales, up from a revised December figure of 10.2 million.

Industry estimates prior to the report were in the range of 9.5 million to 9.8 million bales. Cotton use for the reporting period of December 27 through January 30 was expected to fall because many mills were closed for an extended amount of time for the Christmas and New Years holidays. NCC and other sources had no explanation for January's high domestic consumption number. An NCC economist noted that the figure does not reflect mills' continuing problems.

"The mill industry still faces difficulties brought on by the financial crisis in Asia," he said. Imports of cheap Asian textile and apparel products are pouring into the United States, making it more difficult for domestic mills to compete. Mills also have had difficulties lowering their inventories of yarn and other goods and low demand.

Despite the higher monthly figure, consumption is not back to the previous year's high level. However, it should move the United States closer to USDA's 1998-99 target of 10.4 million bales of domestic consumption.

In other news, more foreign cotton soon will be entering the United States. With the completion of 10 qualifying weeks toward the initiation of Step 3 imports, the first quota will open on March 4 to permit the purchase of 195,430 bales. The quota is equal to one week's supply of upland consumption based on domestic use during November through January. The quota will remain open until June 1 (90 days), and the cotton must enter the United States no later than August 30 (180 days). Quotas will continue to be triggered if the spread between the price for U. S. cotton and the Cotlook A Index, a weekly average of the world's cheapest cotton prices, is more than three cents per pound.

Imports have caused concern for many cotton growers who remember the plunge in cotton prices a few years ago when Step

3 quotas remained open for a long period of time. Growers are worried that the entry of foreign growths into the United States will apply even more pressure to cotton prices. However, some cotton analysts are not certain that imports will result in further price erosion in the U. S. market.

Meanwhile, U. S. export sales were larger than expected for the week ended February 18, a period that included the President's Day holiday. However, the week's sales were still just over half the previous week's total. USDA's export sales report showed net sales of 49,300 bales and shipments of 27,600 bales. The new figure was considerably lower than the previous week's 82,000 bales. The Philippines and Indonesia followed with receipts totaling 7,600 and 5,800 respectively.

Spot cotton sales were brisk as prices for Texas/Oklahoma cotton climbed to a range which was more attractive to producers. Sales on the TELCOT electronic marketing system in the five trading days ended February 25 totaled 12,752 bales, a 7,508 bale increase from the previous week's activity. Average daily prices received by producers utilizing TELCOT ranged from 43.04 to 46.11 cents per pound, compared to a range of 39.49 to 44.41 cents per pound a week earlier.

### PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF SILVERTON TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

The City of Silverton will hold a public hearing at 5:00 p.m. on March 11, 1999, at Silverton City Hall in regard to the submission of an application to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for a Texas Community Development Program (TCDP) grant. The purpose of this meeting is to allow citizens an opportunity to discuss the citizen participation plan, the development of local housing and community development needs, the amount of TCDP funding available, all eligible TCDP activities, and the use of past TCDP funds. The City encourages citizens to participate in the development of this TCDP application and to make their views known at this public hearing. Citizens unable to attend this meeting may submit their views and proposals to Jerry Patton, City Manager, at the City Hall. Persons with disabilities that wish to attend this meeting should contact City Hall to arrange for assistance. Individuals who require auxiliary

## Crops Conference, Free Expo is Today

The Southwest Crops Production Conference & Expo is being held today (March 11) at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center. The day-long event is free to those attending and will be held in the Memorial Civic Center Banquet Hall.

Attendees are being asked to register by calling Southwest Farm Press at 1-800-253-3160 or PCG at 806-792-4904. Tickets for an on-site barbecue lunch will be sold for \$7.00 each.

Education credits for private pesticide applicators and for Texas Certified Crop Advisors will be available as well.

## SHP/C Balloting Finished Feb. 26

To be counted in the Southern High Plains/Caprock (SHP/C) Boll Weevil Zone referendum, ballots had to be returned to Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) postmarked no later than midnight Friday, February 26, 1999.

Some 3,500-plus ballots of the 6,800 mailed out to eligible voters were reportedly received back in TDA's Austin headquarters by the closing date. Ballots received after the closing date but appropriately postmarked prior to February 26 will be included in the count.

Ballots will be locked away securely, awaiting canvassing around March 10. Results of the referendum will be released by TDA after the count has been completed and confirmed.

## Wildflower Hotline

Motorists searching for the best wildflower locations along Texas highways will soon have help at their fingertips.

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) will operate a wildflower hotline beginning Feb. 25. The toll-free hotline, 800-452-9292, will provide callers with automated information on the best locations for wildflowers along the 77,000-mile Texas highway system.

The hotline information comes from TxDOT's maintenance employees around the state and includes wildflower information from cities, chambers of commerce and parks officials.

While finding the best wildflowers is as easy as picking up the phone, it is too early to predict the overall quality of this year's wildflowers, according to one wildflower expert.

Some of the hardest working landscapers you will ever find are TxDOT maintenance employees. They sow 60,000 pounds of wildflower seeds along Texas highways each year.

aids or services for this meeting should contact City Hall at least two days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

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# Cotton<sup>PCG</sup> News

from Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.

With the announcement of the first, of what will no doubt be many, Step 3 import quotas by the United States Department of Agriculture many producers are probably wondering what to expect in terms of foreign cotton making its way into U. S. textile mills.

The quota announced February 25 was established March 4 and allows the importation of 93,806,582 pounds of raw cotton. That equates to 195,430 480-pound bales of cotton. The quota will be open for 180 days beginning March 4. This is the maximum amount of cotton that could be brought in under a single quota and approximates the amount of cotton consumed by U. S. mills in one week.

The reality of the quota situation is that several important considerations are probably going to keep the flow of imports in check. The high cost of shipping cotton from foreign ports to U. S. destinations, the ability to obtain acceptable qualities of cotton for desired end-products and fact that many mills are geared to receive just-in-time shipments of raw cotton all will figure into mill decisions of when and if to buy

foreign cotton.

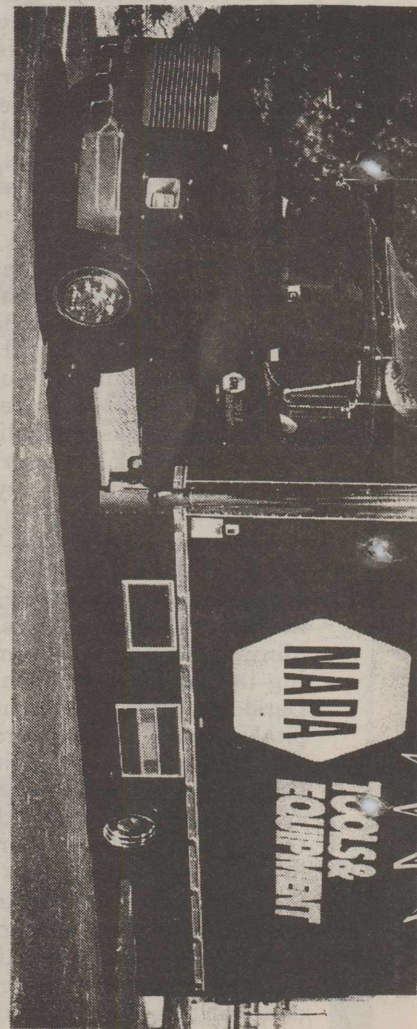
Importing cotton also is a buyer beware proposition since the sales are not automatically subject to Southern Mill rules that allow a buyer to turn back damaged or otherwise unacceptable bales. Unless the buyer and importer specifically agree to use the Southern Mill rules then buyers run the risk of being delivered bales which would normally be turned back as unacceptable.

Mills also may find it difficult to manage larger shipments of cotton since most have gotten away from the inventory control procedures involved with storing cotton prior to use.

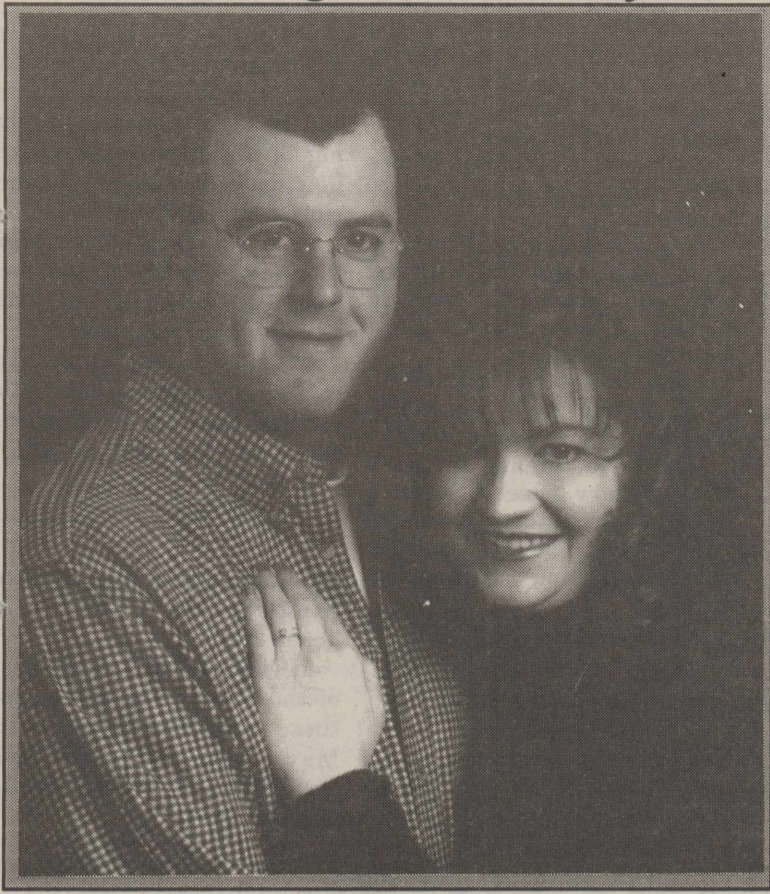
On the quality side of the issue imported cotton also is generally sold on type and will not have an independent quality grade like U. S. cotton. The preference for most mills will be to continue to purchase available U. S. cotton unless they need cotton in qualities, specifically high-grade longer staple qualities, that are currently unavailable from U. S. sources.

USDA estimates only about 350,000 bales to be landed under Step 3 quotas during the remainder of the marketing year which ends July 31, 1999.

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## Darrington - Kitchens Vows Exchanged In Wedding Ceremony in Nebraska



Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brandon Kitchens

Beneath the beautiful stained glass windows of the Merry Occasions Wedding Chapel in Omaha, Nebraska, a double-ring wedding ceremony was performed at seven o'clock in the evening on Friday, February 12,

1999, joining Lisa Ann Darrington and Joe Brandon Kitchens. Vows were exchanged before a host of family and friends with Judge Joseph Troia officiating.

The bride is the daughter of

Merle and Alice Huebner of Ankeny, Iowa. The groom is the son of Joe and Carolyn Kitchens of Silverton, and grandson of Louie Kitchens, also of Silverton. The wedding colors were ivory, mauve and hunter green. An archway decorated with greenery and ivory tulle accented the front of the chapel. The altar was set with two brass candelabra holding ivory tapers and were also decorated with ivory tulle and greenery.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a designer gown of candlelight regal satin. Her gown featured a sweetheart neckline and Edwardian sleeves. The fitted bodice was encrusted with pearls and jewels. The skirt of the bridal gown was a sheath-styled slim skirt. Her gown featured a back keyhole bodice with hanging pearls and a satin bow accented the back of the waist. Complimenting the gown was a candlelight fingertip veil attached to a crown of seeded pearls which she borrowed from Heather Davis, sister of the groom, which she wore in her wedding. The bridal bouquet was a cluster of ivory and red roses.

Mandy Huebner, sister of the bride, served as maid of honor. Johna Dueling, friend of the bride, served as the bride's personal attendant. Morgan Darrington, niece of the bride, served as junior bridesmaid. At-

tendants wore floor-length hunter green gowns and carried bouquets of clusters of ivory and red roses.

Haley Beesinger of Silverton, Texas, niece of the groom, and Kirsten Darrington, Council Bluffs, Iowa, niece of the bride, serving as flowergirls, wore identical hunter green velvet dresses accented with ivory ribbon and lace. Halos made of ivory ribbon and pearls were worn in their hair and each carried an ivory basket filled with red rose petals. Brayden Darrington, son of the bride, Council Bluffs, Iowa, served as ring bearer.

James Ray Devoll of Pampa, Texas served as best man and Skyler Beesinger of Silverton, Texas served as the groomsman's helper and junior groomsman.

Clay Stephens of Pampa, Texas, friend of the groom, and Skeeter Darrington, cousin of the bride, of Omaha, Nebraska, served as ushers and distributed programs.

Tapers were lighted by Jennifer Platford, Omaha, Nebraska, friend of the bride. During the lighting of candles and seating of the parents, Jana Beesinger of Silverton, Texas, sister of the groom, sang "Standing Right Next to Me." Alice Huebner, mother of the bride, was escorted by Skeeter Darrington. Carolyn Kitchens, mother of the groom, was escorted by her son, Brandon Kitchens. Each of the mothers lighted a candle on either side of the unity candle.

A portion of the Love Chapter from I Corinthians was read before personal vows were ex-

changed by the bride and groom. Warren R. Whitted, III, friend of the bride, sang "From This Moment On" during the lighting of the unity candle during which the bride and groom presented each mother a long-stemmed rose. A special blessing by Dr. and Mrs. Wayne Blankenship of Denton, Texas, uncle and aunt of the groom, was given by the playing of a tape in lieu of their being able to attend the ceremony. Prior to the recessional, Jana Beesinger, sister of the groom, sang "Now That I've Found You."

The reception and dance was held in the downstairs area of the wedding chapel. The three-tiered ivory wedding cake was decorated with flowers and greenery and sat above a flowing fountain. The groom's cake was chocolate with chocolate icing topped with a large state of Texas. Marlene Huebner, aunt of the bride, made both cakes. The best man and maid of honor made the traditional champagne toasts after the cutting of the cake. The guests also enjoyed a buffet of finger sandwiches, salads, vegetable trays and chips.

The bride and groom chose "You are the Love of My Life" for their first dance as husband and wife. The maid of honor and best man joined the couple during the second dance. Warren R. Whitted, III, served as DJ and provided music for an evening of dancing enjoyed by all.

The groom's parents hosted a steak dinner following the rehearsal on Thursday evening. **See Darrington-Kitchens--Continued on Page Six**

# FARM DAY'S SALE!

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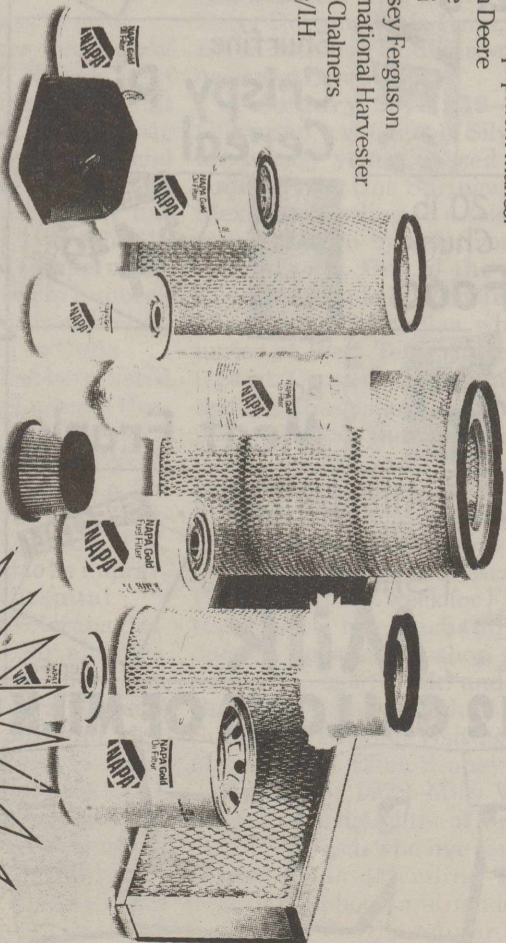
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**Darrington - Kitchens--  
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The bride and groom attended a reception held in their honor in Pampa, Texas, hosted by Joe and Carolyn Kitchens, on Sunday afternoon, February 14, 1999. Serving were Janice Bellah, Lois Strate, Lee Ann Cochran and Diane Lumley, all of Pampa, and Linda McCoy of Amarillo. The bride also was honored with a birthday party as Sunday, February 14, was her birthday.

A lingerie shower was given in the bride's honor by Johna Dueling.

The newlyweds flew to Key West, Florida, and enjoyed a cruise to Cozumel, Mexico. Following their honeymoon, the couple is now residing in Ankeny, Iowa.

The bride graduated from Tri Center High School in Neola, Iowa, and also graduated with honors from Travel Careers Institute. The bride is a legal assistant in the Omaha area and also does modeling.

A 1994 graduate of Pampa High School, the groom also graduated from Texas State Technical College and attended Clarendon College of Pampa. He

**Couple Honored  
On Fiftieth  
Anniversary**

Carl and Dorothy Bomar were honored with a dinner party in Amarillo, Texas in celebration of their fiftieth wedding anniversary.

Hosts for the event were the couple's children.

Bomar married the former Dorothy Roy McMurtry in a formal wedding ceremony on February 12, 1949 at the Silverton Methodist Church. They were the first couple to be married in the new sanctuary of the church.

Children of the couple are Roy Ann Bomar of Austin, Terry and Katy Bomar of Silverton. Grandchildren are Wil Bomar, Molly Bomar and Charlie Bomar, all of Silverton.

The high, pointed hat popular with fairy-tale princesses is called a hennin.

is self-employed as Brandon Kitchens Welding, also in the Omaha area.

**American Cancer Society Having  
Relay For Life on June 11-12**

The American Cancer Society will have a Relay For Life on Friday night, June 11, starting at 6:00 p.m. and lasting until 10:00 a.m. Saturday morning.

The Relay For Life will be held at the Valley Football Field. There will be several teams entered from Silverton, Quitaque and Turkey. Each team will have 10 to 16 members. Each team will try to raise \$500.00 or more before June 11. Each team will have a captain or leader, who will be in charge of their team.

The teams here in Silverton will be washing cars and doing yard work to raise the money for cancer research.

There will be a notice in the paper each week, telling you the time and place of that Saturday's car wash. If you have yard work, call Fred Strange, and he will let you know when the work can be done.

As of now, there are three teams for Silverton, and Strange is trying to get another team together. Call him if you would like to be on his team. Maybe you want to enter a team of your own;

if so, please do it now!

On the night of June 11, these teams will be walking around the Valley Football Field, with at least one member of each team walking all the time, with each member taking a turn.

There will be volleyball games and Frisbie, and musical entertainment.

Between 9:30 and 10:00 p.m. Friday night, we will have lighted luminarias around the track in memory of those who have lost their lives to cancer.

These luminarias will sell for \$5.00 per bag. If you would like to have your loved one's name on a luminaria, please let Fred Strange know by sending him a check, made out to the American Cancer Society. Be sure to include the person's name to be placed on the bag.

Names will also be accepted of those who have lost their lives from other causes. If you would like to include them in the memorial service.

His mailing address is: Fred Strange, Box 774, Silverton, Texas 79257. You can also send

**Preparing For  
Childbirth Class  
To Begin Soon**

Rural Nurse Resource, Inc. (RNR), a nonprofit organization that provides health and safety education, is sponsoring Preparing for Childbirth classes in conjunction with Mangold Memorial Hospital in Lockney.

This six-week series begins Monday, March 22, and lasts from 6:00 until 9:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

To receive an application packet or for more information, call RNR's office at 983-8096 or Mangold Memorial Hospital at 652-3373.

the luminaria money to Lavern Kingery, Box 676, Silverton, Texas 79257.

It is the hope that the people of the community will support these teams each week through May. These teams are giving their time and work for the fight against cancer.

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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.

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Randy Mullin, Pastor

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Library Opens.....9:15 a.m.  
Bible Study/S.S.....10:00 a.m.  
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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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Evening Bible Study.....6:00 p.m.  
TUESDAY:  
Unit. Meth. Women.....9:30 a.m.  
WEDNESDAY:  
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Worship Service.....7:30 p.m.

## Has God Used You Today?

The Bible tells us that faith without works is useless. What good is there in saying to someone in need, "God bless you, take care of yourself," if you don't help him or her. God uses His people to do His will, and for this, it is essential that faith be put into action.

At times, everyone needs some help and support, and our reaching out to those in need is a reflection of our faith. God has given us free will, and it is our choice to accept or deny that small inner voice that is telling us to help someone. God wants His people to be loving, helpful, and supportive, and he blesses both the giver and the receiver.

God will often use us in small ways, and every day there are opportunities for us to be helpful to friends and strangers alike. Whoever does what is right is righteous, and our good intentions reflect that we are God's people.



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*Good News Bible  
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 Love to all of you, and may God bless.  
 LaRue Garvin

**How To Grow a Beautiful Lawn**  
 by Vic  
 How about that, we did receive some rain! I wish we could have had the pre-emerge already applied before the rain and snow. This application of pre-emerge will help control the summer weeds; we won't get much help for the winter weeds. We will control the winter weeds in August.  
 Let's talk about scalping Bermuda grass lawns. Scalping lets the sunshine warm up the soil at a faster rate than if you leave all the dead grass on top. The warm soil encourages quicker green up of the Bermuda grass. The 15th of March is a good time to scalp your lawn. You can start earlier or you can wait until the 1st of April. If we are having real cold weather don't scalp the 1st of March. The dead liter protects the roots and green stems deep in your lawn. You don't have to scrub the grass bare. In fact, please don't do that. Go outside and get down on your hands and knees and look at your lawn. Dig down into the dead grass; you will

find green stems. These green stems are where the sugars and other nutrients are stored for the winter. If you cut the green stems off, you are harming your grass. Most folks think the roots are where the nutrients are stored for Spring green up. The roots only store about 3-5% of the nutrients for winter.  
 Depending on your lawn you will probably have to mow over your lawn 2-3 times to get it cut down nice and low. On your last mowing set your mower on the lowest setting on all four wheels, then raise up the rear end one notch. This is low enough to scalp a lawn. Plus with your mower in this setting, it helps to keep the flow of air moving and your mower will bag better. (I won't charge ya'll for that trick; I don't share that with my competitors!) Now what to do with all the grass you just scalped off your lawn. No problem at all. Place the grass in a large trash bag, tie the ends nice and neat, then go put the bags in the back of Rick's new Dodge pickup! (I've been waiting 6 weeks to say that.) It is a bit too early to fertilize Bermuda lawns so all you need to do is water your lawn. We will fertilize your lawn the 1st to the 15th of April. That's really all you need to do for now. After you get through scalping, change the oil in your mower. Change the oil when the motor is still hot. Clean or replace the air filter. Sharpen the blade nice and sharp. Change the spark plug. Now you're ready

to mow green grass this summer. Perry, sharpen the blade on Marsha's mower; it's time to wake up the Fescue! Fescue is my favorite grass. The growing season is longer and you don't have to scalp it. Fescue will spread and get thicker if it is managed properly. Fescue spreads just like wheat. It tillers in the Spring and Fall of the year. We need to use a slow release fertilizer. Fescue grows very fast in the Spring. If you don't use slow release fertilizer you'll be mowing every other day. A good fertilizer is 21-7-14. Remember the nitrogen is slow release. Don't cut Fescue any lower than 1.5 inches. Fescue is again just like wheat; don't cut Fescue below the joints. Be sure and cut only leaves.

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