

## Rainbow Girls To Have Open Installation

Miss Carol Stodghill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Stodghill, will be installed as Worthy Advisor of Silverton Assembly No. 304, Order of the Rainbow for Girls, at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, September 10 at the Masonic Lodge.

The ceremony is open to the public, and all friends and relatives of Rainbow Girls are invited to attend.

## Texas Experiment Station To Hold Field Day Sept. 13

Cotton, nematode, soil, and seed control research will be featured attractions at this year's field day of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station at Lubbock. The 68th annual event begins at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 13, at the Texas A&M University Research & Extension Center located 7 1/2 miles north of Lubbock on Highway 87.

According to County Extension Agent Eddie Holland, field tours will be conducted throughout the afternoon with special presentations planned on cotton varieties and diseases, nematode research, weed control research, soil fertility research, water-use efficiency, and grape research.

Cooperating agencies are the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, High Plains Research Foundation, Agricultural Research Service USDA, and the National Weather Service.

Tractor-drawn trailers will stop at various points of interest to allow specialists to discuss subjects of vital concern to High Plains agriculture. These include cotton varieties, diseases and harvesting, sorghum and soybeans, nematode studies, herbicide tests, soil fertility and water-use efficiency, grape, apple and vegetable work, and other research. Displays of farm machinery and irrigation equipment will be of interest to visiting agriculturists.

Also, specialists will be centrally located to answer questions and discuss specific problems for agricultural producers, home owners and gardeners.

The field day annually attracts over 1,000 visitors.

## KRESS QUARTERBACK INJURED HERE

Benny Durham, a senior and the starting quarterback for the Kress Kangaroos, suffered a broken clavicle in the football game here Friday night. He had fallen on the ball after intercepting an Owl pass deep in Kangaroo territory in the second quarter and probably bruised his sternum.

He was taken to Central Plains Hospital in Plainview at halftime by the Silverton Volunteer Ambulance Service. He was complaining of chest pains and was given an EKG which showed an irregularity in his heart beat.

Emergency Medical Technicians Charles Sarchet and W. D. Rowell were accompanied in the ambulance by the young man's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Royce Durham, who farm ten miles west of Kress. Benny and his parents were returned to Kress by the ambulance.

Durham was the leading rusher in the game for the Kangaroos. He carried the ball twice for 57 yards and scored his team's first touchdown. He was very disappointed to be out for the season after playing only half of the first game of the new school year.

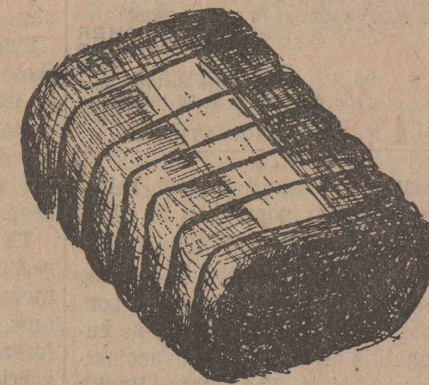
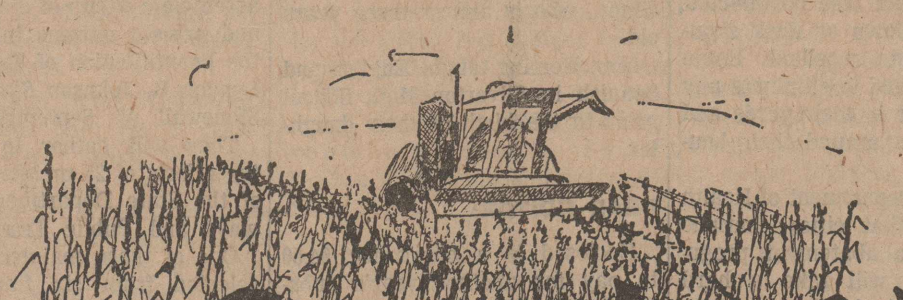
Friday night about midnight, Mrs. John D. Baird was taken to Swisher Memorial Hospital in Tullia by the Silverton Volunteer Ambulance Service. Emergency Medical Technicians on the trip were W. J. Copeland, Bruce Tiffin and Charles Sarchet.

## INFANT DIES HERE

The Silverton Volunteer Ambulance Service was called Saturday morning to take a three-month-old infant, which was traveling through Silverton by automobile, to the hospital. The baby had been ill and had been taken to the doctor the day before, and was dead on arrival at Swisher Memorial Hospital in Tullia. Emergency Medical Technicians on the run were Ted Kingery, Stan Fogerson, Dwight Ramsey and W. J. Copeland.



Silverton: Home of Scenic Lake Mackenzie



# Briscoe County News

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## Owls Travel to Hart Friday Night



CO-CAPTAINS OF THE OWLS—Senior members of the Silverton Owl Football Team who have been

chosen as co-captains this season are Mitchell Roehr, 163-pound guard; Jace Francis, 191-pound

tailback, and James Kitchens, 210-pound tackle. Briscoe County News Photo

## Floyd County Fair Queen Pageant To Be Held

The Floyd County Fair Queen Pageant will be held Thursday, September 15, at the fairground entertainment building in Lockney, Texas. The pageant will begin at 7:30 p.m. and will be emceed by Spike Wideman of Lubbock. Miss Robin Roberts, last year's queen, will provide entertainment and crown her successor. Special entertainment will be provided by Patsy Morris of Dimmitt, a popular country-western singer. Her first album, "In The Wilderness," has just been released and is dedicated in memory of her brother, Jerry Ragle, who was killed in a spray plane accident near Lockney in 1969. She has just returned from performing live at Grand Ole Opry in Nashville, Tennessee.

The entrants in the pageant will model sportswear (to be furnished by their sponsor) and a formal of their own choosing. Entrants may contact their sponsor at their convenience to select their sportswear. All entrants are asked to meet at the Methodist Church Fellowship Hall on Main Street in Lockney at 2:00 p.m. on the 15th to ride in the parade, be interviewed by the judges, and eat a light salad supper before the pageant.

A coke party and rehearsal will be held Saturday, September 10, at 2:30 p.m. at the fairgrounds in Lockney.

Entrants, their hometowns, and sponsors include: Lisa Boardman, Crosbyton (The Beehive, Crosbyton); Ramona Clay, Silverton (Marse and Son, Plainview); Dawn Daniel, Lockney (Brown's Dept. Store, Lockney); Sue Ann Day, Petersburg; Joy Elam, Lockney (Marse and Son, Plainview); Kelly Ford, Lockney (Brown's Dept. Store, Lockney); Lori Johnston, Lockney (Place Around the Corner, Plainview); Deidre Kelly, Petersburg; DeLynn Kelly, Plainview (Gabriel's, Plainview); Julie Ann Lipham, Floydada (Hale's Dept. Store, Floydada); Adeana Morris, Floydada (Dianas Doll House, Lubbock);

Also Cindy Parker, Floydada (Hale's Dept. Store, Floydada); Susan Payne, Silverton (Jones De-

## Pep Squad Elects New Officers

Silverton High School Pep Squad met September 1, 1977, and elected the following officers for the school year: Brenda Cantwell, president; Ramona Clay, vice president; Karen Martin, secretary; Sally Northcutt, treasurer; Marilyn Hardin, parliamentarian.

## T-BONE ASSOCIATION TO MEET SEPTEMBER 15

The Southwestern T-Bone Association will meet on Thursday, September 15, 1977, at the Big Texan Steak Ranch. The Attitude Adjustment Hour" begins at 6:30 p.m. and will be sponsored by Producers Grain Corporation. Dinner will be at 7:30 p.m. and tickets will be \$10.00 each.

Dr. Ted Montgomery, Animal Science Department at West Texas State University, will present the awards of the High Plains Fed Beef Carcass Show to be held at IBP September 13, 14, 15.

Dr. Dell Allen, Professor of Animal Science at Kansas State University, will be the dinner speaker.

Reservations for the meeting can be made through the Amarillo Chamber of Commerce.

## TWO INJURED IN PICKUP ROLL-OVER

About 7:30 Sunday morning, the Silverton Volunteer Ambulance was called to take two Mexican farmhands, who were injured when the pickup in which they were riding overturned north of Briscoe Cooperatives. They received first aid at Swisher Memorial Hospital in Tullia, and were transferred to the Amarillo Emergency Receiving Center. Emergency Medical Technicians on the trip were Emmett Tomlin, Charles Sarchet and W. J. Copeland.

pt. Store, Silverton); Lisa Powell, Floydada (Hale's Dept. Store, Floydada); Rebecca Reid, Silverton (Jacquies', Plainview); Rhonda Reynolds, Crosbyton (Ball's Dept. Store, Crosbyton); Kim Spencer, Lockney (Boot Hill Western Wear, Lockney); Debbie Storie, Silverton (Skibell's, Plainview); Connie Thompson, Plainview (Skibell's, Plainview); Teresa Thompson, Plainview (Gabriel's, Plainview); Debbie Willis, Petersburg; and Karen Ziegler, Silverton (Young Duds, Plainview).

## Long Serving On Health Committee

Beryl Long is currently serving on the governing body of the Panhandle Health Systems Agency (PHSA). According to Long, "The PHSA is actively studying the health maintenance and health care needs and resources of the Panhandle area to determine the availability, accessibility and affordability of local health care, to evaluate existing programs and facilities, and to collect and review data regarding local health care delivery." The governing body meets monthly on the second Thursday to help plan and encourage the implementation of a system that will deliver quality health care to every individual in the 25-county area. By volunteering time and effort, Long is helping to assure that PHSA remains an organization of Panhandle people serving Panhandle needs.

"In an effort to improve public accessibility to quality health care at reasonable prices, the United States Department of Health, Education and Welfare has designed a nationwide system of 204 regional health planning agencies. The PHSA is one of these agencies," Long stated, "and as such is constantly seeking ideas and information concerning health care from Panhandle residents. The PHSA Governing Body believes that by working together as health care providers and consumers, we will be able to improve the quality of health care and maintenance throughout the area."

The Health Systems Agency has been in operation since its conditional designation on August 9, 1976. The Governing Body has organized itself into committees with specific functions relative to the development of the Health Systems Plan. Long is serving on the Public Information and Mental Health, Mental Retardation Committee. The Agency has performed the "review" function on fifteen projects, manpower and health services and has had a strong start on documenting the health concerns of the people in the region.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Withers and son, Chris, of Lefors spent the Labor Day weekend visiting with their grandparents, Mrs. John Bean and Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Graham.

Silverton's Owls will travel to Hart to play the Class A Longhorns at 8:00 p.m. Friday. The young and inexperienced team has been plagued with injuries that are keeping some of the older players on the sideline, but they continue to need and want your support and attendance at their games.

The Owls lost their first game of the season, 42-7, to the Kress Kangaroos here Friday night, but provided a lot of excitement for their fans who saw a lot of good things in the team in spite of the loss.

Last year's edition of the Owls dropped their opener 19-0 to Kress.

This year's contest could have been closer if the Owls had some of the speed of the Kangaroos. In almost every instance, the Owls were simply outrun by their opponents.

"With just a few breaks, the score could have been much closer," said Head Coach Jim Allen.

The Kangaroos scored on their first two possessions in the first quarter, once from 56 yards out after Kress had carried a punt all the way to the Silverton 15.

Trailing 14-0, the Owls put on a sustained drive on runs by Greg Hill, Doug McJimsey and Jace Francis. Then an Owl pass was intercepted at the Kress 5. On first down the Kangaroos fumbled and Mitchell Roehr recovered for the Owls.

Francis carried to the one-yard line, and on the first play of the second quarter, Francis scored. He also kicked the extra point, and the visitors' lead had been cut to 14-7.

Eight plays later, the Kangaroos scored again but failed on the extra point try.

Later in the period, Greg Hill recovered another Kress fumble, but this time the Kangaroos ran the punt back for a score and passed for two extra points to extend their lead to 28-7.

The first half ended just after James Kitchens had rushed in on the Kress quarterback who had fumbled and recovered his own fumble, throwing him for a 12-yard loss.

Paul Brannon carried the kickoff out to the Silverton 28 to start action in the third quarter. On third down, McJimsey carried to the Kress 48. On third down of the next series, Francis completed a pass to Brannon for seven yards, and Francis rushed for a first down on fourth down. Incomplete passes stalled the Owl machine on the next series, and Silverton punted to the Kress 25.

Earl Jarrett recovered a Kress fumble on first down, and Francis passed to Brannon for a first down on the Kress 5. Francis carried a touchdown which was called back for a five-yard procedure penalty against the Owls. On the next play, the Kangaroos recovered a fumble.

The defense held on the next series, and forced Kress to punt for the first time in the game. On Silverton's first down, Kress intercepted a pass and carried for a touchdown which was called back due to offsetting penalties. The Kangaroos spoiled the next series by intercepting the Owls again and a 15-yard penalty against Silverton was added on, moving the ball to the Silverton 20.

On the first play of the fourth quarter, Kress carried a touchdown and also ran for two extra points.

The Owls lost the ball via the fumble route on the next series at the Silverton 33, but saw the ball come back to them after three incomplete passes and a fumble which Kress recovered. The Owls got off a very bad

punt on their next fourth down and had a 15-yard penalty tacked on, moving them back to their own 15. The Kangaroos ran in into the end zone on first down, but the kick was blocked, and the score stood at 42-7.

Kirk Durham carried the ensuing kickoff all the way to the Kress 11. Francis completed a pass to McJimsey, and on fourth down, a picture-pretty pass was thrown which looked to be a sure touchdown but which was batted away by a Kress defender at the last second.

Kress ran one more touchdown, which was called back due to a penalty, before the game ended.

Kress made 13 first downs in the game, as compared with six for the Owls. The Kangaroos were credited with 241 yards total offense, while the Owls gained 124 (90 rushing, 34 passing).

Everyone realizes that the Owls are young and inexperienced, while the Kangaroos had ten seniors, ranging in weight up to 230 pounds. The Owls are rebuilding this year, and it looks like the program is going along very well.

David Williams reinjured his knee in the game, and did not play again after halftime. Mitchell Roehr bruised his arm, and Greg Hill has a small chip off the bone in his thumb and a cartilage separation in his chest. It is hoped that these players, and Mitchell Simpson and Wayne Reed who were not able to play last Friday night, will be able to see action Friday night.

Coach Jim Allen reported that the coaches were real proud of the way the boys played Friday night. "They have improved a lot since our scrimmage with Lefors," he said.

## BABY BECAME ILL WHILE VISITING HERE

Sunday afternoon at four o'clock the Silverton Volunteer Ambulance Service was called to take Russell McLeland, four-month-old son of Mrs. Jeanne McLeland of Amarillo, to the hospital. The baby was taken to Central Plains Hospital in Plainview and then transferred to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo. He has a history of heart trouble. Emergency Medical Technicians on the run were Emmett Tomlin, W. J. Copeland and Anthony Kingery.

Russell was to be released from the hospital Wednesday.

## LUBBOCK WOMAN INJURED AT CAMP HAYNES

Monday morning, the Silverton Volunteer Ambulance Service was called to take a Lubbock woman to the hospital who had been hit on the head by a falling rock while hiking at Camp Haynes. The woman fell 15 to 20 feet after being hit on the head. She was taken to Central Plains Hospital at Plainview and transferred to Methodist Hospital in Lubbock. She received a bad laceration and a concussion in the accident. Emergency Medical Technicians on the run were Gail Bullock, Anthony Kingery, Charles Sarchet and Lynn Frizzell.

Mrs. Fred Lemons suffered a stroke at her home here Monday afternoon, and was taken to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo by the Silverton Volunteer Ambulance Service. Wayne Nance and Emergency Medical Technicians Stan Fogerson and Mrs. Helen Stange made the trip for the ambulance service.

Mrs. J. E. Vaughan entered St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo Tuesday, and expected to undergo surgery for the replacement of a hip today (Thursday).

## Miss Mackenzie Contest Stated September 24

September 24, 1977 is the date chosen for the fourth annual Miss Mackenzie Pageant to be held in the Silverton School Auditorium. The program will begin at 8:00 p.m.

A get-acquainted party will be held for the judges and contestants the day of the contest in the Pioneer Room at the First State Bank. Rehearsal will be held Tuesday, September 20, in the Silverton School Auditorium.

Contestants from Lockney, Floydada, Tullia and Silverton will be competing for the honor of being named Miss Mackenzie. Deadline for entry is September 15. Entry forms may be picked up by the contestant or her sponsor at the local newspaper office.

Contact Mrs. Gary Weaks, Silverton, 847-2234, or Mrs. Jerry Baird, 823-2476, for additional information.

The public is invited to attend. Admission will be \$2.00 for adults and \$1.00 for students.

## Young Farmers To Hear Guest Speaker

Silverton Young Farmers will meet Thursday night at 8:30 in the Pioneer Room at the First State Bank.

George James, Area Supervisor for Farmers Home Administration, will be guest speaker. The public is invited to attend.

Final plans will be made to attend the Area Convention in Amarillo, where Orville Turner, jr. will be running for the office of Area I President. Turner is in charge of local Radio and Television Relations.

## INJURED IN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT HERE THURSDAY

Mrs. Lula Bellinger was taken to Swisher Memorial Hospital in Tullia by the Silverton Volunteer Ambulance Service about noon Thursday after she received a laceration over her eye when her car was in collision with another car driven by Mrs. Ruby Elliston on Highway 86 at its intersection with Braidfoot Street. Emergency Medical Technicians on the trip to Tullia were Jerry Patton, Jay Toewe and Carl Wayne Woods.

Neither Mrs. Elliston nor Miss Anna Lee Anderson, who was riding in the car with Mrs. Elliston, required medical attention.

## Mrs. W. W. McGavock Buried Here Saturday

Funeral services for Mrs. Eva Adeline McGavock, 84, were conducted at 2:30 p.m. Saturday at the Silverton Church of Christ. Officiating were Earl Cantwell, minister of the Rock Creek Church of Christ, and Ted Kingery, minister of the Silverton Church of Christ.

Interment was in the Silverton Cemetery, with arrangements under the direction of Moore-Rose Silverton Funeral Home.

Mrs. McGavock died Thursday afternoon, September 1, at the Tullia Care Center where she had resided for the past five years.

The former Eva Adeline Gilliam, she was born February 4, 1893 in Mena, Arkansas. She married W. W. McGavock February 2, 1913 in Sarah, Oklahoma. He died in December 1974.

She was a housewife and a member of the Silverton Church of Christ.

Survivors include one son, E. H. McGavock of Silverton; three daughters, Mrs. Hazel McDaniel, Amarillo, Mrs. Gladys Davis, Tullia, and Mrs. Ruth Mowery, California; two brothers, Tom Gilliam, Arkansas, and Claude Gilliam, Oklahoma; 14 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren.

Palbearers were Glen Johnson, Ashel McDaniel, Floyd Williams, Wandle Thomas, Tommy Hunt and Shafe Weaver.

Don Johnston and Pete Jennings of Abilene, students at Texas Tech, spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sarchet and Ken Sarchet. The boys attended the Willie Nelson and Friends concert at Buffalo Bowl in Canyon Sunday.



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**Outbreak Of Horse Sleeping Sickness Continues in Texas**

The Texas Department of Health is urging all horse owners to have their animals vaccinated for encephalitis, also known as "sleeping" to horses and man by mosquitoes.

Because of heavy August rains, the mosquito population in the Panhandle has increased.

Even though it is late in the summer, area veterinarians continue to report Western equine encephalitis especially in unvaccinated yearlings. The State Health Department is still finding Western equine encephalitis in the mosquitoes it collects. The common U. S. types are Eastern equine,

Western equine and St. Louis encephalitis. Most veterinarians have a supply of a bivalent vaccine for Eastern, Western and Venezuelan.

Since man can also be infected, those out at dawn or dusk should use mosquito repellent. Home owners are urged to eliminate any standing water in their yards and cut any weeds around their houses.

The Texas Department of Health recommends that cities continue their mosquito abatement programs since it will take a hard freeze to eliminate the mosquito carriers.

Further information concerning the subject may be obtained by contacting the Zoonosis Control Program at 806-655-7151; WTSU Station Box 968, Canyon, Texas, 79016.

**McMinn Reunion Held Here Sunday**

Mrs. Ollie McMinn and Mrs. Jo Mallow hosted the McMinn Reunion Sunday at the Silvertown School Cafeteria. Fifty relatives and friends attended the reunion. A bountiful lunch was spread, and almost all remained for supper.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Gaston Owens, Quitaque; Eddie Owens, Plainview; R. R. McMinn, Mexia, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Henry McMinn, Levelland; Mr. and Mrs. Howard Riddell, Grand Prairie; Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Watkins, Melanie and Anita, Amarillo; Mrs. Laura McMinn and her daughter, Mrs. Edith Davis, Mineral Wells, and another daughter, Mrs. Othel Adkins, Glen Rose; Mr. and Mrs. Richie Hubbard and Brian, Dudley McMinn, Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey McMinn, Mineral Wells; Mr. and Mrs. Gene Reynolds, Olton; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Messimer and children, her mother, sister and three children, all of Wolf-orth; Mrs. Charlene Gilbreath and children, Miss Nora Graves, Amarillo; Mrs. Betty Roberts, Kress; Mrs. Ollie May Dorman, Hale Center; Mrs. Lola McMinn and son, Milton McMinn, Lovington, New Mexico.

Those visiting Saturday and Sunday nights in the homes of Mrs. Ollie McMinn and Mrs. Jo Mallow were Mr. and Mrs. Howard Riddell of Grand Prairie, Mrs. Mrs. Othel Adkins of Glen Rose, Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey McMinn and his mother, Mrs. Laura McMinn of Mineral Wells and Mr. and Mrs. George Seamey of Silvertown.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Olive of PETERSBURG visited Betty Olive Sunday afternoon.

**TGSPB SLATES BIENNIAL ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

Texas Grain Sorghum Producers Board will conduct its fourth biennial election August 15. Terms of four Board members expire at that time.

The three incumbents seeking reelection to their 6-year non-salaried posts are C. C. Reed, Worth Jones and Lee Hill. A. R. Dillard of Hereford, Texas is not seeking re-election.

Paul Cobb of Yoakum County is seeking the post being vacated by Dillard. Cobb (62) farms 1,500 acres of grain sorghum. He and his wife, Louise, live in Plains, Texas and have two married children. Cobb was born in Cameron, Texas.

C. C. "Pap" Reed (53) planted 180 acres of sorghum in Swisher County in 1977. Reed and his wife, Almeta, live in Kress and have four children. He is currently serving as Chairman of the Board.

Worth Jones (63) of Happy, Texas is presently growing 100 acres of grain sorghum in Swisher County. He and his wife, Othella, have three married children. Jones was born in Clarendon, Texas.

Lee Hill (45) farms 730 acres of sorghum in Hartley County. He and his wife, Dorothy, live in Dalhart, Texas and have four children. Hill was born in Spearman, Texas.

Grain sorghum producers living in the 20-county TGSPB area are eligible to vote. If eligible voters do not receive a ballot by mail, they may pick up one at their county agent's office. Ballots must be returned to TGSPB offices by September 15.

Counties in the 20-county area are Armstrong, Bailey, Briscoe, Carson, Castro, Cochran, Crosby, Dallam, Dawson, Deaf Smith, Floyd, Gaines, Hale, Hansford, Hartley, Hockley, Hutchinson, Lamb, Lubbock, Lynn, Moore, Oldham, Parmer, Potter, Randall, Sherman, Swisher, Terry and Yoakum.

**NEW ARRIVAL**

Mr. and Mrs. John Herring of Tulla are parents of a son born in Swisher Memorial Hospital August 16. He has a sister, Jonna, who is almost three years old.

Mrs. Herring taught English and Spanish in Silvertown High School prior to the birth of their daughter.

**DEAR EDITOR:**

Enclosed is a check for \$4.50 to pay for another year's subscription to the Briscoe County News.

We often think and speak of our many friends at Silvertown. Mrs. Trout is especially interested in what her former pupils are doing and is sending her congratulations and love to them.

Please pass on a joyful "Hi There!" to all.

Sincere love,  
 Gerald and Alva Trout  
 530 South Penn. Avenue  
 Mangum, Oklahoma 73554

**NEW ARRIVAL**

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Mercer of Stratford are parents of a son, Jeffrey Mike, born at High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo August 30 at 2:49 p.m. He weighed seven pounds, eleven and one-half ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long.

The couple are also parents of a son, Clay, who is five years

**LADY BIRD TO PRESENT AWARD FOR HIGHWAY BEAUTIFICATION**

Mrs. Lyndon B. Johnson will assemble a group of state officials and private citizens interested in the beautification of Texas at the Lyndon B. Johnson State Park in Stonewall on September 1.

They will gather to recognize the efforts of 25 maintenance men of the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation.

One of those maintenance men, selected from six finalists, will receive from Mrs. Johnson a plaque designating him as winner of the 1977 Lady Bird Johnson Award for Highway Beautification. He will also receive her personal check for \$1,000. Mrs. Johnson will present a \$500 check to the first runner-up.

The former First Lady established the Lady Bird Johnson Award eight years ago to recognize the department maintenance man who did the best job of highway beautification during the past year and to show her appreciation of the efforts of all these men to old.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mercer of Silvertown and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hageman of Plano. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Hageman of Paducah and Mrs. Lily Wafford of Silvertown.

**MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS INCREASES**

Texas motor vehicle registrations beautify roadsides and maintain attractive roadside parks.

The district engineer in each of the department's 25 highway districts selected his district's nominee in a maintenance construction supervisor responsible for maintaining all state highway facilities in his area, usually a county. In addition, the men care for the roadsides and the 1,100 roadside parks, safety rest areas and scenic turnouts on the Texas highway system.

A selection committee appointed by Mrs. Johnson chose the six finalists from the nominees. They are Eugene Barrier of Karnes County, Troy Blankenship of Seguin, Milton Clay Campbell of Ralls, Marvin Estoll of Childress, Eugene Finke of Brenham and Allen Knox of Raymondville. The committee's choice for the award winner and the first runner-up will be announced at the presentation program September 1.

The panel of judges included Professor E. J. Urbanovsky of Texas Tech in Lubbock as chairman, Glenn Biggs of San Antonio, Dr. Robert Dewers of College Station, Mrs. Jake Hershey of Houston, Mrs. William P. Hobby, Jr. of Houston, Mrs. Marshall Steves of San Antonio, and Roy White of Austin.

ions increased more than half a million in the 1976 registration year over the preceding year according to a preliminary count by the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation.

Robert W. Townsley, director of the DHT Motor Vehicle Division, said the 1976 preliminary total of 10,220,919 is expected to increase when the final results are tabulated. The 1975 registration year total was 9,687,081. Registration years end each April 1.

Harris County (Houston) again led the 254 Texas counties with 1,670,596 motor vehicles registered. That county's previous year total was 1,555,960.

Dallas County reported 1,188,190 registrations, an increase of 45,327 motor vehicles. Tarrant County (Fort Worth) had 660,890 registrations in 1976, an increase of 34,688.

Loving County in West Texas reported the fewest motor vehicle registrations: 230—an increase of 26 over 1975 registrations.

Beginning with the next registration year, motorists will pay registration fees on a staggered year-round schedule based on present license plate numbers. In addition to a series of DHT releases giving details of the new procedures, information concerning the 1977 and later registration methods are in the hands of county tax-assessor-collectors.



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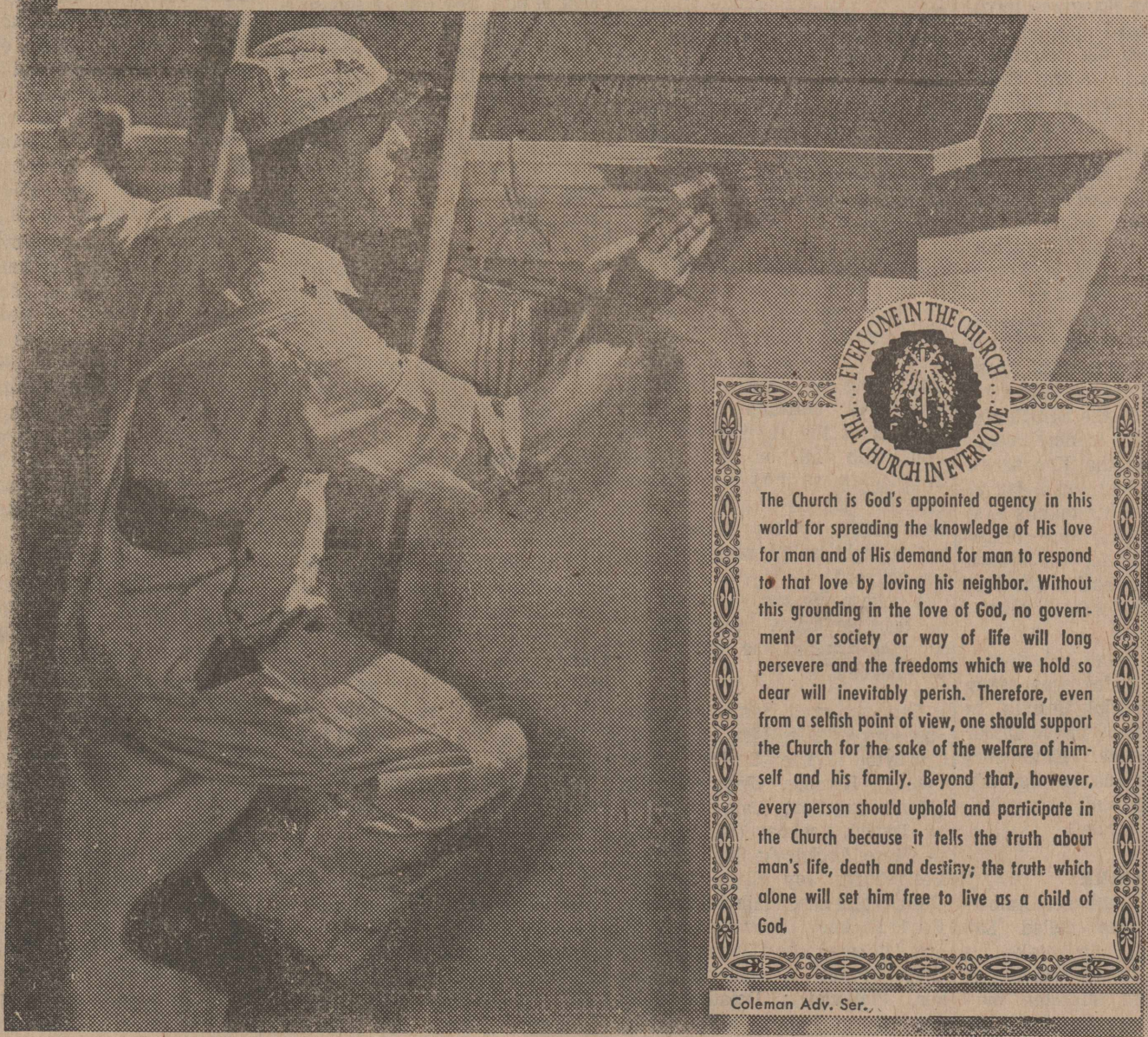
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## PHSA Group Seeking To Improve Area Health Care

"We've got some of the best health care in the state in the

Panhandle, and we're looking for ways to make it even better." That's the way Eddie Melin, Director of the Panhandle Health Systems Agency, characterizes a new public information campaign his group has introduced in area media.

Melin and his Amarillo-based staff

are attempting to increase the communication through a two-week mass-media WELLNESS campaign. "We picked the term WELLNESS because we frankly felt like a lot of the existing public health jargon is overworked," Melin observed.

Eddie Melin hopes WELLNESS will be more than just a casual attention-getter. "What we're working for," he said, "is the cooperation and involvement of Panhandle-area citizens who are the day-to-day beneficiaries of health programs. We're hoping they'll take the time while they're well to think about how they'll fare when they're sick. That's what WELLNESS means to us."

The WELLNESS effort has its primary thrust in a coordinated newspaper and radio advertising schedule, according to Melin. "We've bought space in thirty-four newspapers and on twenty-one radio stations," he said.

"Part of the awareness campaign will be to invite comment from the average man-on-the-street," Melin says. "We want to know how he and she feel about the quality of health care they're getting. We'd like to know if they have enough doctors, adequate

emergency facilities, reasonable prices for the services they get, and well, just whatever's on their minds in the health area," he said. To insure that the suggestions get to the agency quickly, the PHSA has decided to accept collect calls from anywhere in the Panhandle area. The Amarillo number is 806-372-3331 or send comments to P. O. Box 9257, Amarillo, Texas, 79105.

The effort won't stop with this Fall's information-gathering.

"We're looking forward to getting information that will help us in our planning. Much of it will be funneled right back to representatives we have in area towns. Those representatives will be able to give us an even better picture of what's happening in their communities," Melin said.

The Health Systems Agency was created by the National Health Planning and Resources Development Act of 1974. It serves twenty-five Panhandle counties and is responsible for performing a variety of health planning, developmental and review functions where federally-funded programs are concerned.

## HIGHTOWER URGES THE RELEASE OF DETAILS OF SET-ASIDE PROGRAM

Congressman Jack Hightower again urged United States Department of Agriculture officials to release details of the announced wheat "set-aside" including regulations that would allow farmers to graze livestock on the acres withheld from production.

"If farmers are not allowed to graze land withheld from production, it is doubtful they can afford to participate in the program," stated Hightower. "Winter wheat pasture is a vital portion of our agricultural economy. Farmers will not be receiving payments for diverting acres as they did under set-aside programs during the 1950's and 1960's. They can no more afford to have fertile acres not producing revenue any more than we can afford to have plowed ground bare to winter and spring winds."

Deputy Secretary of Agriculture John C. White announced Monday the long rumored wheat acreage diversion. The Administration is calling for farmers to withhold 20 percent of their normal wheat cropland from production to reduce the surplus of wheat. With well over two years domestic supply on hand, wheat prices have stayed close to \$2 per bushel, making the farmers return as little as one-half of the cost of production.

Export markets have been weak since the 1975 embargo caused many of our best customers to go elsewhere for grain purchases. Favorable weather world wide has provided a glutted world market with nations like India and even Bangladesh having bumper crops.

Hightower contended that while the acreage diversion may be necessary to bring our wheat supply back into a more even level with the demand, the grazing aspect of the program will be a major factor as to Texas producers participating in the program. "The wheat areas that graze do not comprise a majority of the wheat states. A large part of the wheat country north of us has large yields and little of our costs like irrigation. To the individual producer in the 13th District, grazing or not grazing means the difference between profit and loss."

Hightower underscored the need for producers to know the details of how the entire set-aside program would work. "We have had producers planting wheat for over a week now. There are changes in this new bill. If our farmers are going to comply, if they are going to participate in the program, they must know how it is going to work. Our farmers deserve to have the cards on the table to make their plans for the year."

## NAMAN URGES FARMERS BE ALLOWED TO GRAZE SET-ASIDE WHEAT

In a letter to the Secretary of Agriculture, Texas Farmers Union President Jay Naman urged that wheat farmers be permitted to graze set-aside acres and that diversion payments be made to compensate wheat farmers for their set-aside.

"Wheat farmers who are also cattle producers need the opportunity to graze set-aside acres to supplement low income from wheat production. It will encourage their participation in the wheat program," Naman said.

Texas Farmers Union has criticized the level of set-aside as being inadequate, but feels that the set-aside provisions can be administered in such a way as to get maximum participation. Permitting grazing on set-aside acres would encourage wheat farmers to comply and to participate in the farm program, according to the Farmers Union.

Naman urged Secretary Bergland to announce a diversion payment in connection with the set-aside. According to Naman, the Secretary of Agriculture should authorize the payment of an amount sufficient to compensate farmers for abandoning set-aside acres.

Naman said, "The grain glut that farmers find themselves in was not their responsibility. They were encouraged and even coerced to expand acreage by the previous administration. It is the responsibility of the government and the general public to see to it that wheat farmers are extricated from their serious economic predicament."

The question of grazing set-aside acres is expected to be decided in a matter of days if the farm program is passed and signed by

## Tax Administration Set Back by Denial

Comptroller Bob Bullock said Thursday that the Texas Supreme Court's denial of his request for access to the status of tax cases previously sent to the Attorney General for suit is a setback for tax administration for the Comptroller's Office.

Bullock explained that he sought information on the status of the 5,600 delinquent sales tax cases totaling more than \$13.5 million as part of his overall effort—which began when he took office January 1, 1975—to clean up the backlog of sales tax delinquencies that he inherited.

He said the 5,600 cases are "just those of \$500 or more and have an average delinquency of \$2,410. If you think that's peanuts, consider that it represents the sales tax due on gross sales of \$48,200 made to consumers of this state."

Shortly after taking office, Bullock said, "I was shocked to learn that 70,000 sales tax delinquencies owed the State a total of \$60 million. We did everything we could to collect that money, including conducting more than 500 seizures."

He explained that those delinquent accounts that could not be collected in the field were forwarded to the Attorney General for suit.

"During all of this time," he said, "we assumed that the Attorney General was actively pursuing those cases we sent him as well as the cases forwarded to him prior to my taking office. Records in our office and in courts here in Travis County show that this is not true."

Bullock said he learned that it has taken the Attorney General's Office an average of 529 days—more than 17 months—to win judgments on sales tax cases, 99 percent of which are default judgments that can be won within 30 days of filing suit. (This print-out is available in the Comptroller's Office for public inspection.) "The fate of the other cases, such as the mysterious 5,600 in which apparently no judgement was obtained, was what we hoped to learn from those files," he said.

Bullock added that he has sent

President Carter. Texas wheat producers are in general support of the liberal grazing regulations.

Hill's office 2566 cases for suit from July 25 to August 19, yet suit has been filed for only 29. "Delays such as this reduce our chances of ever making collection," he said.

"Perhaps the greatest disappointment of all will be for my auditors and field employees, who have worked these cases so diligently, only to see their work product gather dust on a shelf in another agency," Bullock said.

"When a judgment finally is obtained, if it ever is, the case is so old that it is extremely difficult for these same field personnel to locate the taxpayer and collect," he explained.

Bullock said his office "will continue to make every effort to collect every tax dollar rightfully due the state even though it will probably take more manpower and more hours to do so in light of the court's ruling."

He said his staff will begin work immediately to see if there is not some other way to get the information it needs.

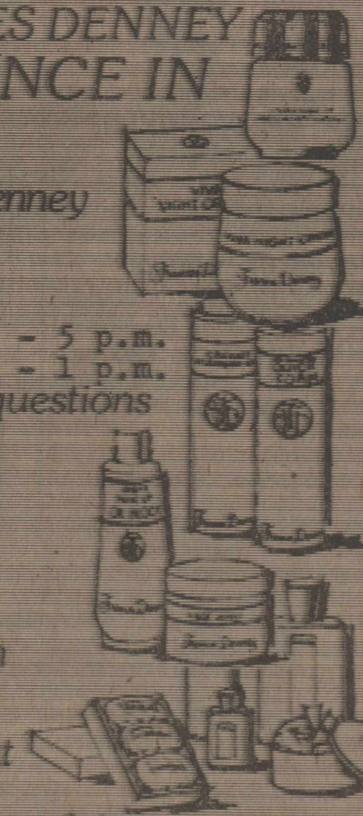
## BETTER AG WEATHER SERVICE

Farmers and ranchers in Texas and the nation will have access to more and better weather information once a national agricultural weather network is instigated. The National Weather Service (NWS) is working with the Extension Service, USDA, to put into action a system for more effectively gathering and disseminating weather information to benefit producers. The Extension Service will provide a staff member for each state to work closely with NWS personnel in making the best possible use of agricultural weather information.

## TIME FOR FALL GARDENS

During the sweltering summer heat is the right time to start thinking about a fall vegetable garden, points out a horticulturist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Fall gardens often produce better quality vegetables than spring gardens because the crops mature as the days begin to get cooler. The big problem is getting the seed to germinate during hot weather. Soak the seed overnight and water seed furrows before planting. Then cover the seed with a light layer of compost, potting soil or vermiculite. Protect young seedlings from the sun with boards or a draped cloth.

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That means your electric company will lose control over how we operate our own power transmission lines and facilities. We might not be able to give you — our customers — first priority. The Federal Government could use some of the money you pay for your electric service to make your electric company build a transmission line for a government-subsidized utility. You pay twice that way — in your electric bill and in your taxes. And you don't even get to use the line.

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The Good News in all this is that your Congressman voted against raising your electric bill, voted against giving you poor service . . . but he was outvoted. Now what you can do is write your United States Senator (His name and address are printed below for your convenience) and tell him to vote against Part E in Senate Bill 1469 and against the gas users' tax in Senate Bill 1472. Why? BECAUSE YOU CAN'T AFFORD THESE BILLS. And that's a darn good reason. Let the people in Washington know that YOU CARE what they're doing with YOUR MONEY!

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