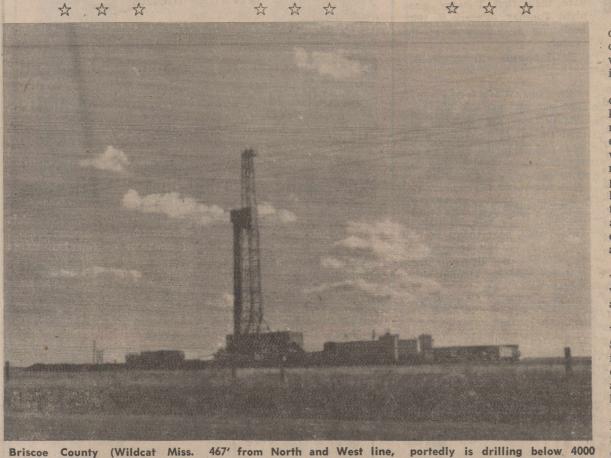


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Dolo) Marathon Oil Company, Section 198, GM, GC&SF, 61/2 No. 1 Pascal Garrison (320 ac.) miles northwest of Silverton re- drill to 9500 feet.

Ney Roberts. She visited her sis- zona Tuesday.

feet this week. The permit is to

Bonnie Watters of Yuma, Ari- ters, Carrie Dell Dickerson and **Bank Makes Gifts To** zona arrived here last week to Maxine Morris, other relatives attend the funeral of her uncle, and friends and flew back to Ari-Fire Department,

by Mary Ann Sarchet. People ask us almost every day, "Why isn't the newspaper carrying stories about the oil well drilling activity that is going on in Briscoe County now?" The simplest answer to this question is that most of what we know is hearsay-not a 'reliable news source. The gossip is very exciting, but it isn't news. It is very difficult to get any information from Marathon Oil Company, representatives of which have answered most of my questions to date like this: "Are you aware this is a tight hole and we can't give out any information about it?"

Some of the information that we have been able to come up with, that we believe to be factual is this:

The pit has been dug on the W. H. Brooks farm northeast of Silverton and Exploration Unlimited of Corpus Christi is expected to move a rig to this location around January 5, 1982. A test hole will be drilled to 8500 feet. BLN, Inc. of Silverton has drilled an exploration hole on the Saul Ranch ten miles southeast of Silverton. Their permit was for drilling to 3600 feet, they drilled to 2872, cased it to 2850, and plugged the hole. They believe they had enough promise to case the hole. They plan to perforate the casing in January or February to see what the well

will develop into. BLN, Inc. (which we understand was supposed to have been

plans to drill three or four more

holes in Briscoe County, the next

hole to be on the Don Garrison

farm three or four miles north-

Wednesday morning Marathon

Oil Company was making ready

to perforate the casing in a 9500

foot hole drilled on the G. May-

field Ranch, and it was thought

that by the weekend they would

know what the well would pro-

duce. If this well does produce,

it will be Briscoe County's first

ling permit is for 9500 feet, and

it is reported they are below

4000 feet now. This location is

6<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> miles northwest of Silverton

west of Silverton.

producing oil well.

near Highway 207.

Oil exploration in Briscoe County is at the highest point now that it has ever been, and many Silverton residents are very optimistic about the test holes now being dug. This has brought about a small boom to the economy. It was reported last week that the old Silverton Hotel had been purchased with plans to use the facility to provide housing for some of the oil workers. The hotel is being cleaned up and repaired at this time.

Several local men have been working on the oil rigs, in addition to those who are here from other places. Houses are needed to rent to these workers.

In addition to the oil exploration, oil leasing has been going on in a very serious way, with the lease price, which had been \$1.00 an acre not too many years ago, having been reported up to \$25, \$40 and \$110 per acre.

## **Fire Destroys Cotton At Gin**

Six modules and three ricks of cotton were destroyed by fire at Silverton Gin, Inc. Monday, December 21. Both the Silverton and Quitaque volunteer fire departments answered the call and worked from shortly after noon to shortly after dark to keep the ire from spreading to other cot-

# New Year's Day To Bring Changes In State Liability Insurance Law

Beginning January 1, 1982, county mutual insurance comcers during traffic stops and ve- an assigned-risk insurance pool, be required to furnish proof of the norm. compliance with the new compulsory liability insurance law. Under House Bill 197, an amendment to the Texas Motor Ve-

(6701h) approved this year by the 67th Legislature, all drivers rates. must carry minimum liability coverage for medical expenses of \$10,000 per person (\$20,000 for ages of \$5,000.

Department of Public Safety Director Colonel Jim Adams reports troopers will accept as evidence of insurance coverage the policy for the vehicle being operated or a document issued by the insurance company.

"Such a document must contain a statement that the liability coverage for the motor vehicle is the minimum prescribed by law," Adams said. "The document must also include the name of the insurance company, the name of the insured person, the policy period and the policy number. This document may take the form of a letter or a card, depending upon the preference of the insuring company." Insurance companies throughout the state recommend drivers do not carry their original policy or a photostatic copy of the policy declaration page or the insuring agent's binding agreement. They would rather motorists carry with them an official

Adams has pointed out that DPS troopers will be enforcing the provisions of this law along highways and rural roads. Local police officers and sheriff's deputies have also been given the authority to request this information.

card or letter.

Drivers who do not maintain the specified coverage, refuse to give information or give false information to law enforcement officers risk a minimum fine of \$75 for the first offense or \$200 for subsequent violations.

In addition, a conviction under this new law will result in the suspension of the violator's drivers license and motor vehicle registration unless the violator establishes and maintains proof of financial responsibility for five years from the conviction date. For convicted violators to establish proof of financial responsibility, a filing of an "SR-22" form must be made to the Safety Responsibility Bureau in Austin by the violator's insurer as proof of coverage. The SR-22 form, used as evidence of insurance, is kept on the DPS computer file for five years, but if the violator cancels or allows the coverage to lapse, South Plains football team for the violator is notified that his his play in the Owls' defensive or her license and registration are suspended and that another Reagan, 6-0, 170 pounds, was SR-22 filing will be required. Since most insurance companies will not insure those requiring an SR-22 filing, coverage may be obtained through either a

Texas drivers contacted by De- pany or through the Texas Autopartment of Public Safety offi- mobile Insurance Plan (TAIP), hicle accident investigations will at a higher premium rate than

Those persons convicted under this new law will pay 20 percent more than the standard rate for insurance, if in the TAIP. Drivhicle Safety Responsibility Act ers convicted a second time will pay up to 95 percent higher

Out-of-state, government-owned and self-insured vehicles are exempt from these insurance retwo or more) and property dam- quirements. However, drivers of self-insured vehicles will be asked by DPS officers to produce evidence of self-insurance at accident scenes and traffic stops. The insurance industry predicts liability premiums to increase because poor drivers who once were uninsured will now be put into the insurance system.

The new law covers motorcycles as well as every form of motor vehicle operated on a public road or highway.

Rep. Gene Green, D-Houston, the author of HB 197, describes the bill as "experimental-if it doesn't work, we'll do something about it."

The highway patrol does not plan any extraordinary effort to detect violators, but will ask for insurance proof during routine traffic stops and while investigating accidents. It has been past policy of the DPS to issue warnings rather than citations during the first 90 days after a new law has taken effect.

## **Maciel Services Held Here Sunday**

Funeral services for Joe Jose Maciel, sr., 71, were conducted at 4:00 p.m. Sunday at Our Lady of Loreto Catholic Church in Silverton with Father Harold Waldrow of Tulia officiating.

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

Mr. Maciel died Thursday night of last week at the Lockney Nursing Home He was trans to Lockney from Tulia by the Silverton Volunteer Ambulance Service early the previous week. Born May 12, 1910 in Mexico, Mr. Maciel came to Silverton 20 years ago from the Rio Grande Valley. He was a laborer and a member of Our Lady of Loreto Catholic Church. Survivors include his wife, Felipa; one son, Jessie Maciel of Silverton; two daughters, Adela Trevino of Edinburgh and Olivia Aguilar of Silverton; one stepson, Joe Garza of Tulia; 30 grandchildren and 28 greatgrandchildren.

You are invited to a **Couples Shower** honoring Calvin and M. J. Shelton from 7:00 until 9:00 in the evening on Saturday, January 9, 1982 in the Pioneer Room at First State Bank

#### Silverton, Texas

Jeanetta Bradford **Ruby Brannon** Beverly Bowman Lois Cline Venita Chappell Carrie Dell Dickerson Patsy Fitzgerald Sylvia Fogerson Bessie Garrison Mary John Harris

Dottie Long Sybil Martin Beverly Minyard Anne McMurtry Bess McWilliams Brenda Patton Lallie Patton Mary Ann Sarchet Eloise Strange

Reba Tipton

### **Ambulance Service**

First State Bank in Silverton has recently given a \$500 gift to the Silverton Volunteer Fire Department and a \$500 gift to the Silverton Volunteer Ambulance Service.

"On behalf of the fire department, we would like to thank the First State Bank for its gift," said Jerry Patton, president, and Flute Hutsell, fire chief. "The money will be used to buy equipment for the department."

"The ambulance service would also like to thank First State Bank for the gift," said Anthony Kingery, president. "Gifts like this guarantee that the ambulance service will continue to operate with the best possible equipment and supplies. Thank you very much."

ton on the yard. BNL for "Brothers-in-law") also

Module trucks belonging to the other gins and individuals assisted in moving modules away from the area threatened by fire.

**Reagan Named To All-South Plains Team** 

Silverton junior Shane Reagan was named to the Lubbock Ava-The Marathon Oil Company rig lanche-Journal's Class 1A Allwhich drilled the hole on the Mayfield Ranch is now drilling a second hole 1/4-mile east on the secondary. Pascal Garrison farm. The dril-

> also Silverton's starting quarterback and is one of only six underclassmen named to the allstar squad.

Ted Strange spent several days last week as a patient at Central Plains Hospital in Plainview. He was discharged Christmas Eve, and entered Methodist Hospital in Lubbock. Monday morning as he was undergoing tests in surgery, he suffered a cardiac arrest and has been in very serious condition since that time. His family was called to the hospital Monday before noon, and most have remained there.

Ted is in intensive care on the second floor of the hospital.

Spud Tiffin was taken to Methodist Hospital in Lubbock early Tuesday morning by the Silverton Volunteer Ambulance Service. He is in Room 690 (East Wing).

### MACHINE EMBROIDERY

#### CLASS TO BEGIN SOON

Judy Morrison of Quitaque is going to conduct a machine embroidery class beginning in January. For information call Michelle Francis, 823-2002, or 455-1319 in Quitaque or 423-1121 in Turkey.

The Eighth Grade Class of Sil- much, the students pooled their the money to Jerry Patton, fire verton Junior High has a \$2.00 money and donated it to the Sil- department president, before limit on their Christmas gift ex- verton Volunteer Fire Depart- Christmas. change, and since that won't buy ment. Sloan Grabbe presented

Pallbearers were Gabby Aguilar, Joe Tambunga, Jessie Salnas, Paul Trevino, Joe Maciel and Eloy Reyna.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Olive of Petersburg and their grandson, Jeremy Olive of Euless, Texas, visited Betty Olive Sunday.



is among 56 Texas Tech fresh- ly to all valedictorians or saluta-

SCHOLARSHIP—Penny Cogdell makes the presentations annual- es congratulations from associamen receiving \$200 scholarships torians attending the university. Cogdell is the daughter of Mr. this year from the Texas Tech Miss Cogdell, 1981 valedictorian and Mrs. Billy Cogdell. Ex-Students Association which at Silverton High School, receiv-

tion president J. L. Gulley. Miss

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### **Miss Norwood Is Shower Honoree**

shower from 10:00 until 11:00 in the morning on Saturday, December 19, 1981 in the Pioneer Room at First State Bank. Guests were greeted by Mrs.

Miss Lisa Norwood, brideelect of Brent Grabbe, was guest of honor at a miscellaneous Mrs. Helen Underwood, and to

Mary Lou Jarrett, and presented to the honoree and her mother,





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Whaley To Seek

Representative

Third Term As State

State Representative Foster

Whaley of Pampa officially an-

nounced today that he would

seek a third term as State Rep-

resentative for the 84h Legisla-

tive House District-created by

the State Redistricting Board.

The newly created District adds

Crosby and Dickens counties and

the north portion of Lubbock

County to Whaley's old 66th Leg-

islative District. Whaley lost

Wheeler County to the District

now served by J. W. Buchanan in

Foster Whaley is a 1949 grad-

the Northern Panhandle.

Mrs. John (LaQuetta) Schott as she received the \$200 Christmas ents the gift which is valid in giveaway from Tulia merchants 30 participating Tulia business on December 19. Chairman of

the mother of the prospective bridegroom, Mrs. Alice Grabbe. They wore corsages of brown and peach silk flowers.

An arrangement of brown and peach silk flowers decorated the refreshment table where silver and crystal appointments were used.

Mrs. Annie Grabbe, grandmother of the future bridegroom, was a special guest. Other relatives attending from Silverton included Mrs. Opal Grabbe and Mrs. Hazel Grabbe, aunts, Miss Donna Grabbe and Mrs. Pat Mc-Waters, cousins.

Out-of-town guests included Mrs. Barbara Allison and Mrs. Theda Rowell, both of Lubbock and aunts of the prospective bridegroom; Mrs. Kathy Latham and daughter, Marlo, of Vigo Park, sister and niece of the honoree; Mrs. Alice Bean of Tulia and Miss Debra Laurie of

Kress. The hostesses' gift to the couple was stainless steel flatware.

Hostesses for the occasion were Mmes. Mary Jane Patton, Tish Whitfill, Gloria Wood, Wanda Wallace, Rose Mary Perkins, Gail Arnold, Mike Settle, Mary Lou Jarrett, Sally Brown, Pat Lavy, Arlene Curry, Shirley Henderson, LaJuan Eddleman, Pat Fitzgerald, Reba Tipton, Della Boling, Sandy Harris, Beverly Bowman, Lee O'Neal, Waynelle

Couch, Sally Grimland and Miss Shelly Harris. Among those attending the nually serving their present ten

fiftieth wedding anniversary recounty District. ception for Mr. and Mrs. R. C.

#### FAMILY HAS CHRISTMAS

#### IN FRANCIS HOME

The family of the late Alva and Willie Mae Davis gathered in the John T. Francis home for its annual Christmas party Saturday, December 26. Entertainment was provided by James Johnson, John Francis, Gary, Lori and Page House.

The evening was highlighted by a visit from Santa who left fruit and nuts for all. Those enjoying the lucious meal and the festivities were Dave Francis, who is attending Texas Institute Computer College in Dallas; Delton and Rose Fisher, Durwood and Joyce Lewis, Corky and Doris Davis, Scott and Sonna Davis, Jeannie, Jon and Krissy Gilley and guest, Jan, Carl and Cari Van Hoose and guest, Gary, Lori, Page and Leah House, James, Lesa and Jonathan Johnson, Kathy Stalcup, and the hosts.

# **Senior Citizens To Have Game Night**

Silverton Senior Citizens will have their first Tuesday game night Tuesday, January 5, 1982, beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the Center.

Refreshments will be served.

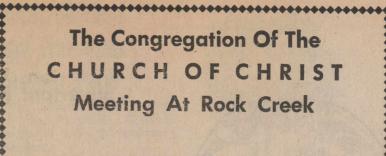
Mrs. Onar Cornett has recovered enough that she has been able to leave the Amarillo hospital where she had been a patient and go to the home of her son, Mickey, at 3100 Sunlite. She is to undergo more tests soon.

The Whaleys have three children: Christie, a 1977 graduate of Texas A&M, now living in Dallas; Wayne, a 1979 graduate of Texas A&M, now living in Houston; and Karlette, a senior stud ent at Texas A&M.

uate of Texas A&M; is a former County Extension Agent; has farming and ranching interests in Gray, Carson and Armstrong counties. Ht is a founding member of the Texas Cattle Feeder's Association and is credited with hedging the first pen of cattle in Texas, south of the Canadian River, on the live Beef Cattle Futures Market. He has served as a panelist member on Merrill Lynch hedging seminars.

Whalty, with the help of his wife, Lois, serve on a full time basis as State Representative. Their farming and ranching interest is leased out to others. They log over 50,000 miles an

Foster Whaley does not accept



EXTENDS A GRACIOUS WELCOME TO ALL TO ATTEND ANY AND ALL OF OUR SERVICES.

|   | Morning<br>Evening | Worship   | 10:30<br>6:00 | a.m.<br>p.m. |
|---|--------------------|-----------|---------------|--------------|
| * |                    | WEDNESDAY |               | -            |
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happily of you, dear friends. We are always pleased to serve you and we hope that you will remember us too, throughout the years to come.

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Green in Turkey December 27 were Mrs. Jeanne McLeland, Russ and Kevin, Amarillo; Mr. and Mrs. Donald Thomas and girls, Mrs. Ruby Gilkeyson, Mrs. Iris Burson, Mrs. Nannie Bomar and Mrs. Zelda Dudley, all of Silverton; Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Montague, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Hancock and children, Mr. and Mrs. Merle McMurtry, all of

downstate Political Action Com mittee money for his campaign fund. An Austin publication stated that fewer than six legislators are in this category. Whaley serves as a member of the powerful House Appropriations Committee and is vice chairman of the Constitutional Amendments Committee.

Plainview; Mr. and Mrs. Chester Hoyse McMurtry, Lubbock; Mrs Betty Devin, Tulia Strickland and Mr. and Mrs.

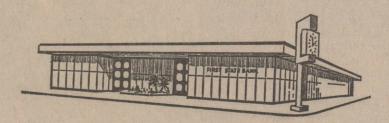


**Closed Friday, January 1st** 

**Bates Shoe Store** Open 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Tulia, Texas

What better way to start the New Year than by extending our best wishes to our loyal friends and patrons. Have a happy and safe New Year.



Silverton, Texas



First State Bank





\* \* \* **Time To Order Trees For Windbreaks** 

The time has come again to begin ordering trees for use as windbreaks in Briscoe County. are the poor in spirit . . . they The Caprock Soil and Water that mourn . . . the meek . . Conservation District has once again received applications from righteousness . . . the merciful the Colorado State Forest Service and the Texas Forest Service to place orders for seedling been persecuted for righteous-

Some of the trees that will be available are ash, cottonwood, golden willow, hackberry, honey locust, Russian olive, poplar, report; if there be any virtue ... Austrian pine, ponderosa pine, red cedar, Douglas fir, scotch pine and Colorado blue spruce. If you are interested in some

any one of your Caprock SWCD board members: Jack Sutton, rison, Jimmy Myers or Jarus want to be genuinely, truly Flowers, or go by the Soil Con- happy. servation Service office for assistance in ordering trees. Although the survival rate of

young trees has generally been good, a few trees fail to survive mainly due to adverse conditions such as scorching heat and a limited water supply. An economical system called

Drip Irrigation is being used very effectively in many areas

selves to get it." This suggests a need to know what we ought to want. The rich fool of Luke 12 wanted and obtained "fruits and . . . goods." Misguided, selfish want! He didn't know what he needed to want. To MG God said, "Thou fool." Says Jesus, "Blessed (HAPPY!)

need. One of the systems being used is supplied by water

through a one-inch pipeline reduced to a one-half inch lateral line with a small jet nozzle pla-

ced near the base of each tree. A system such as this is an

economical yet effective way to help fruit trees or windbreak

trees get the water they need. The Caprock Soil and Water Conservation District is ready to assist you with further information

concerning these irrigation sys-

AS A MAN THINKETH Gerald Beasley

HAPPINESS "Unhappiness is not knowing

what we want, and killing our-

tems.

to give trees the water they THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1981

they that hunger and thirst after ... the pure in heart ... the peacemakers . . . they that have ness' sake. (Mt. 5)

"Finally . . . whatsoever things are true . . . honorable . . . just ... pure ... lovely ... of good any praise, think on these things ... and the God of peace will be with you." (Philip. 4)

Without question, the foregoof these trees you may contact ing passages suggest wonderful, mature "wants" (attitudes). The Lord instructs you and me Don Burson, Murry Wayne Mor- in what we ought to want if we

Happy New Year!

SAFELY TELAS NIGHWAY DEPARTMENT





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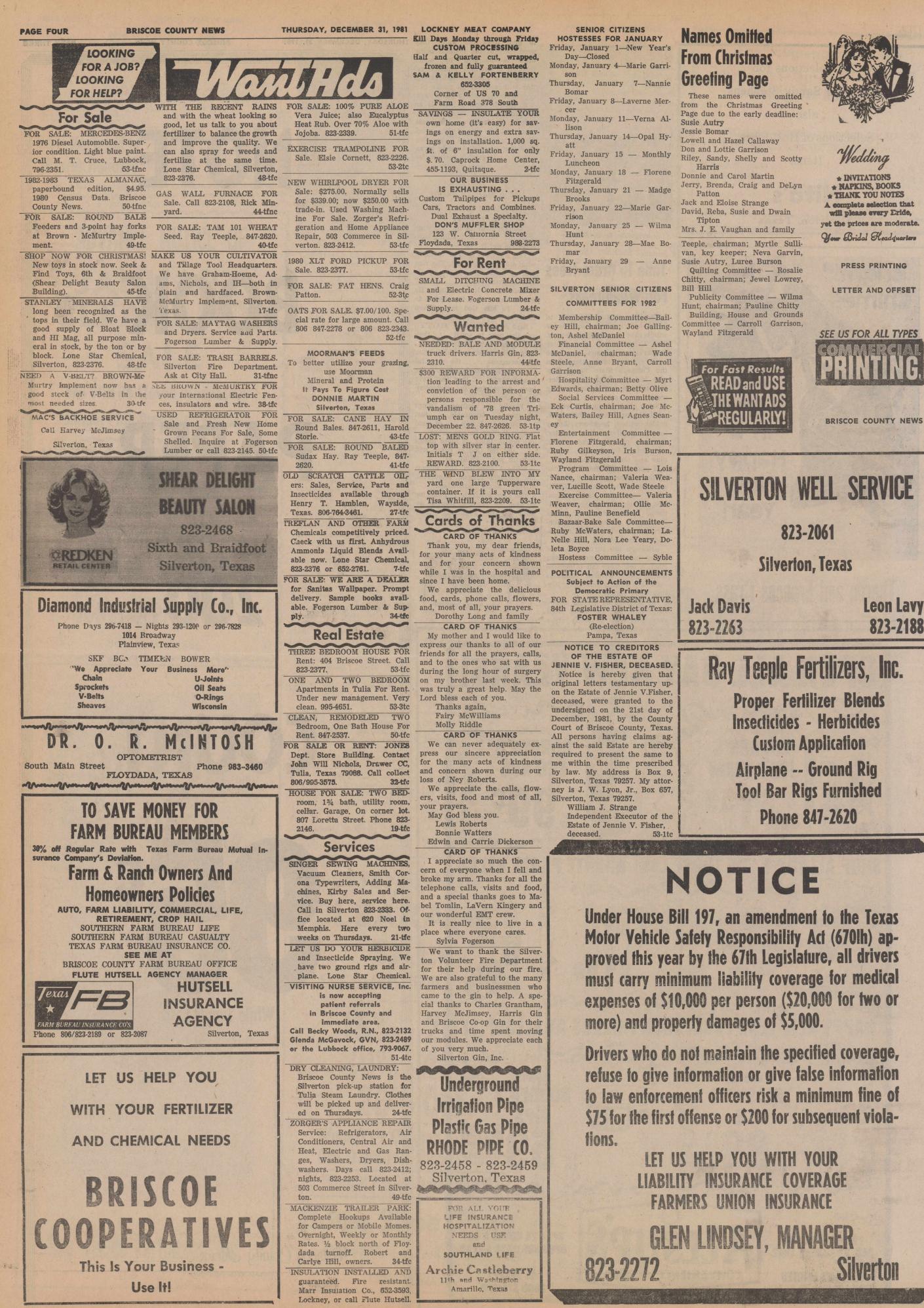
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