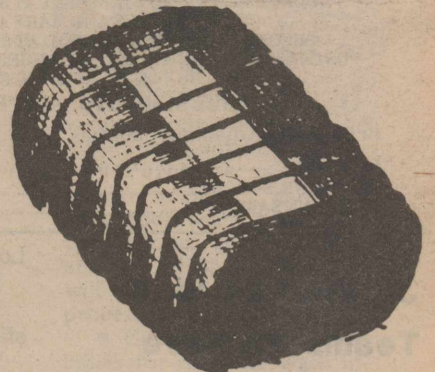
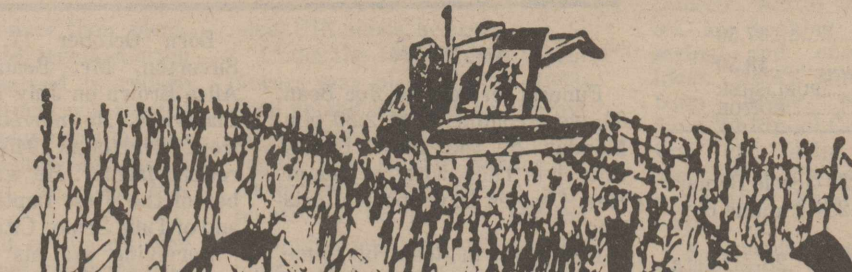


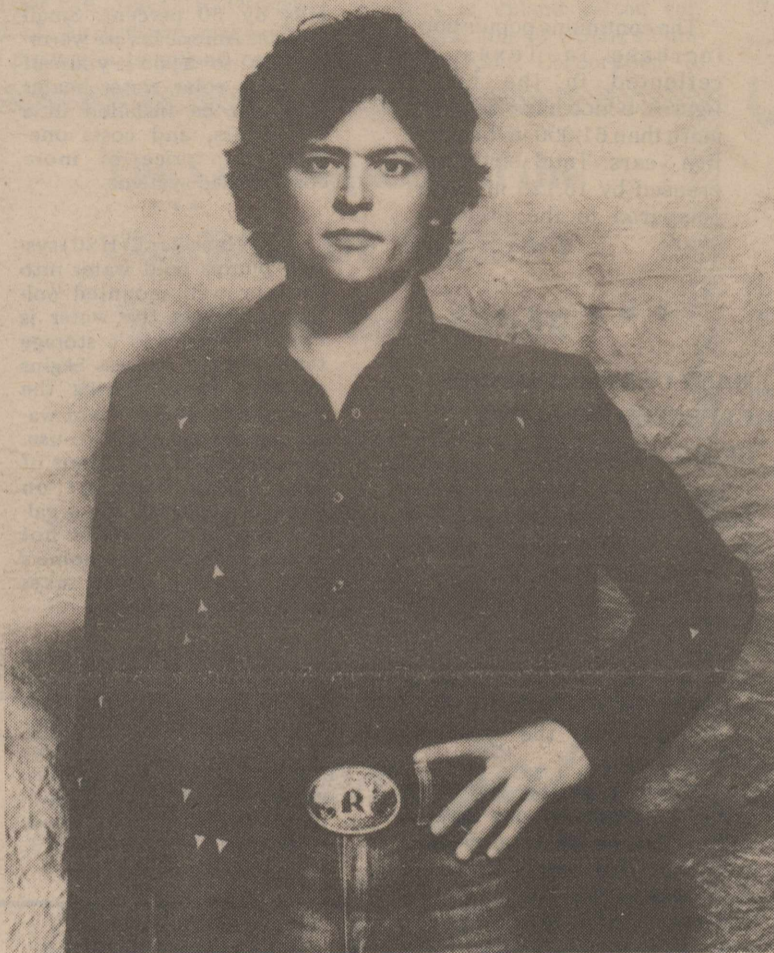
Silverton: Home of Scenic Lake Mackenzie



# Briscoe County News

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JOHNNY RODRIGUEZ

## Tickets on Sale Here For Rodriguez, Otwell Concert

A highlight of the Tulia Picnic this year will be a concert by Johnny Rodriguez and the Otwell Brothers, and tickets for the concert are now on sale at Nance's Food Store in Silverton.

The concert will begin at 6:00 p.m. Saturday, July 16, in the Dallas Street Gym in Tulia. There will be one show only.

All tickets purchased will entitle you to a chance at a Hawaiian vacation for two. This will be a seven-day Hawaiian vacation which is an International Tours vacation package with

travel furnished by American Airlines.

Other events of the Swisher County Picnic Celebration include an Old Timers Luncheon, 11:00 a.m.; Public Barbecue, 12:00 noon; Parade, 4:00 p.m.; Rodeo, 8:00 p.m.; Dance, 9:00 p.m.

General Admission tickets for the concert are \$8.00 and Floor Seats are \$10.00 (when purchased in advance). Tickets at the door will be \$10.00 for general admission and \$12.00 for floor seats.

## Last Day To Certify Crops Fast Approaching

Farmers have only a few weeks left to report their 1983 planted acres to the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service. The final certification date is July 15, 1983.

Program participants are required to report crops and acreages planted, the uses to be made of these crops and cropland

acres to be devoted to conservation uses. "Nonparticipants need to certify their crops for future programs," said James Griffin of the Briscoe County ASCS office. In addition to history purposes, the acreage reports are also necessary for proven yields.

ASCS will randomly check farms to verify that acreage

## Lions Club To Sell Fireworks

Silverton Lions will be selling fireworks west of Silverton again this year.

The stand was expected to open June 29 and remain open until the Fourth of July or until all the fireworks are sold.

reports are accurate and have aerial photographs available for farmers to identify their fields. To be sure of planted acres, farmers can request measurement service. For a small fee a farmer can request that his planted crops be measured prior to reporting acreages. The fee covers the cost of the farm visit and the measuring of one area.

This is a valuable service not only to producers participating in the acreage reduction and payment-in-kind programs, but to any farmer who desires an accurate acreage measurement for any reason.

Crop certification is necessary before the farmer can receive price support and other program benefits.

The ASCS official said spring seeded crops may be certified Monday through Friday between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. It is hoped that farmers will report their acreages well in advance of the July 15 deadline.

## BASKETBALL CAMP REGISTRATION DUE SOON

There will be a basketball camp for boys and girls in grades four through eight August 15-19 at Silverton High School.

Cost will be \$50 per player. A \$25 deposit is due by July.

The deposit plus name, age and address are to be sent to Coach Kelly Braisher, Box 121, Silverton, Texas 79257. When the deposit is received, more information will be sent.

The tentative schedule is: Morning Session, 9:00-11:30; Lunch, 11:30-1:00; Afternoon Session, 1:00-4:00.

## FORMS, ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE TO 4-H'ERS AT EXTENSION OFFICE

4-H members who want to enter a 4-H recordbook in county and district contests are reminded to go by the Extension Office for forms and assistance.

Recordbooks will be due in the Extension Office by noon Wednesday, July 20.

Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Rowell, Connie Rowell and Mitchell Simpson have recently spent a visit with Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Rowell, Donna and Will at Lindsey, California.

## South Plains 4-H Council Elects Officers

Five youths from Floyd, Lubbock, Briscoe, Hale and Dawson counties have been elected to lead the South Plains District 4-H Council in the coming year. They will begin their duties in September.

The new officers will direct the 40-delegate council which represents some 13,000 4-H'ers in 20 South Plains counties. The council provides leadership opportunities, plans district events and provides a communications link to the 20 counties, explained Dr. Martha Couch, 4-H and youth

specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. 4-H is the youth program of the Extension Service.

The new chairman of the council is Earl Broseh, 17, of Lockney. First vice chairman is Chris Caddel, 16, of Lubbock.

Second vice chairman is Kerry Baird, 18-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Baird of Silverton. Mandy Igo, 17, of Hale County is secretary-treasurer.

Information chairman for the council will be Kayla Gentry, 17, of Dawson County.



4-H DISTRICT OFFICERS—Leading the South Plains District 4-H Council next year will be [from left] Earl Broseh of

Lockney, Chris Caddel of Lubbock, Kerry Baird of Silverton, Mandy Igo of Plainview and Kayla Gentry of Lamesa.



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**Junior, Pee Wee Teams To Have Ice Cream Supper**

Silverton Junior and Pee Wee softball teams will have an ice cream supper July 19 at 7:00 p.m. Anyone interested in bringing ice cream, cups and spoons is asked to contact Donna Edwards.

Any women interested in playing a couple of innings of softball the same night are asked to contact Jenny Bradford or Sandy Tomlin.

**SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER HOSTESSES FOR JULY**

- Friday, July 1—Zoe Steele
- Thursday, July 7—Ruby Gilkeyson
- Friday, July 8—Rosalie Chitty
- Monday, July 11—Neva Garvin
- Thursday, July 14—Betty Olive
- Friday, July 15—Monthly Luncheon
- Monday, July 18—Merle Oneal
- Thursday, July 21—Jewel

- Lowrey
- Friday, July 22—Jessie Bomar
- Monday, July 25—Pauline Benfield
- Thursday, July 28—Doleta Boyce
- Friday, July 29—Mae Bomar

**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

I'm sending you a couple of dollar bills. Please send me some copies of the Briscoe County News, Thursday, June 23, as I want to send some to my kin. I'm the mother of Milton Sheid who was in the 1933 class and we lived in Silverton at the time, moving from there on December 23, 1933. Lucille Wood, Edith London and Milton Sheid all finished high school there. I would have been there for the reunion had I known about it in time. I was away from home and missed my Briscoe County News two weeks, so therefore I did not know till it was over.

I'm 92 years old, can still ride buses when I want to go places. Still drive my car, not on long trips, but I drive every day.

Thank you for The Briscoe County News. I've taken it for more than 50 years and hate to miss a copy.

Thanks again,  
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**OBITUARIES**

**JOE BEAN**

Funeral services for Joe Bean, 60, were conducted at 2:30 p.m. Monday at the First Baptist Church in Tulia, with the pastor, Rev. Charles Davenport, officiating.

Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery, with Wallace Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Bean died at 11:15 a.m. Saturday at Methodist Hospital in Lubbock where he was admitted June 14 after suffering a massive stroke.

Born October 17, 1922 in Silverton, Mr. Bean married Alice Brown on July 14, 1945 in Plainview. He moved to Tulia from Silverton in 1945 and was a retired farmer. He was a member of the First Baptist Church and of Tulia Senior Citizens.

Surviving are his wife; one son, Kenneth Bean of Levelland; one daughter, Carolyn Osborn of Little Rock, Arkansas; one sister, Anna Rambo of Hale Center; one brother, Martin Bean of Silverton, and three grandchildren.

**Accent On Health**

Texas Department of Health  
 Robert Bernstein, M.D., Commissioner

**Infant Mortality Rate At New Record Low**

The infant mortality rate — a traditional index of the quality of health care — fell to an all-time low of 10.8 deaths per 1,000 births in 1982, reports the Texas Department of Health (TDH).

The decline in the infant mortality rate last year marked the fourth straight year that the Texas rate has been below the national average, according to figures just released by the Bureau of Vital Statistics of the TDH.

Previously, the lowest infant mortality rate in 1981 was 11.6, when 281,558 births were recorded by Texas mothers. Last year, even with a six percent increase in births to 297,683, the number of infant deaths decreased from 3,275 to 3,223.

The neonatal death rate also decreased last year to another record low of 7.0 deaths per 1,000 births, with 2,079 deaths of infants under 28 days of age.

The state's over-all death rate in 1982 was another record low — 7.3 deaths per 1,000 population. Deaths totaled 111,263.

The U.S. Census Bureau estimated the state's population at 15,280,000 as of July 1, 1982.

**Texas Mothers Record 297,683 Births in '82**

Texas mothers recorded 297,683 births in 1982 for a birth rate of 19.5 per 1,000 population, reports the Bureau of Vital Statistics of the Texas Department of Health (TDH).

This was a 2.1 percent increase over the 1981 rate of 19.1, when 281,558 births were recorded. Last year's statistics were based on the Bureau of Census population estimate of 15,280,000 as of July 1, 1982.

The continuing population increase in Texas is reflected in the birth figures, which have risen by more than 61,000 in the past five years. Total births increased by 16,125 in 1982, compared to the previous years.

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**MANY DEATHS, INJURIES EXPECTED IN FOURTH OF JULY TRAFFIC**

The Texas Department of Public Safety has estimated that as many as 49 persons could die in traffic accidents across the state during the Fourth of July holiday period.

Colonel Jim Adams, DPS director, said the estimate is based on the anticipated volume of traffic and the previous holiday deaths.

"Independence Day can bring more motorists to our streets and highways than a regular weekend. We are estimating fewer deaths than we had during the Fourth of July holiday last year because thus far this year we have experienced a decline in traffic fatalities," Adams said.

Last year, 55 fatalities were recorded during the 78-hour period, but subsequent deaths from serious injuries brought the final count to 64 for the three-day holiday.

Adams said if drivers would stay sober, slow down and use seat belts, their chances for survival would increase.

"Drivers who speed or are intoxicated pose the greatest threat to law abiding motorists," Adams said. "Some people will insist upon drinking excessively and attempting to drive during this period. We will do our best to remove these individuals from the roads," he said. "If a person drinks, that is his personal business, but if he drives drunk—that's police business."

Adams encouraged motorists who observe drunken drivers to

report them to the nearest police agency or Highway Patrol. DPS commanders throughout the state will utilize additional troopers in areas they deem appropriate. DPS will also conduct "Operation Motorcide" to inform the public of the number of traffic deaths occurring during the 78-hour holiday period. Periodic reports will be communicated statewide relating the tabulation of the number of deaths that occur during the 78-hour holiday period.

**FACTS & FIGURES**

Using the sun's energy to heat water can reduce fuel bills by 50 percent. Small wonder Americans are warming up to a do-it-yourself modular solar water heater that can be installed in a few hours, and costs one-third the price of more complicated systems.

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The Hansolar T(H20) system pumps cold water into roof or wall mounted collectors. When the water is hot, it returns to a storage tank and the process begins all over again. During the day, four gallons of hot water are always ready to use. An additional 28 gallons of solar heated water are on hand to replenish the 4 gallon supply. If more hot water is needed, the home's existing water heater takes over automatically.

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# Holiday Poses Threat To Health and Safety

Panhandle Emergency Medical Services System, Inc. Chairman Claude Harlow, M. D., Stratford, stated today that the upcoming Fourth of July holiday celebra-

tions are highlighted with summer fun, but may pose some serious threats to the health and safety of children and adults. Each summer hundreds of people

are injured from pyrotechnics commonly called fireworks during this holiday celebration.

Dr. Harlow cautioned, "Adults must be especially careful to supervise children who play with fireworks." He offered the following safety tips to remember: Do not hold explosive or burning fireworks in your hand. If a device does not ignite, wait for a minute before checking it. Approach the device carefully. If it appears to be defective do not attempt to light it again. Do not allow children to run with sparklers about their faces.

If you receive a minor burn hold the burned area under cold water or immersed in ice water for five minutes. If someone gets

foreign matter such as dirt in the eye flush the eye with water for a minute to clear out the foreign object.

For serious injuries keep the person calm and lying down stated Dr. Harlow. He said people in the Panhandle can get qualified emergency medical care by calling the toll free Panhandle Emergency Medical Services Number, 1-800-692-1331. Not only will they send medical assistance, but they can also provide poison control information should you need it.

Dr. Harlow concluded by stating that the Texas Panhandle is one of the safest areas in the country because of the Emergency Medical Services System.

"Sunday clears away the rust of the whole week."  
Joseph Addison

## TIME CHANGE FOR SERVICES

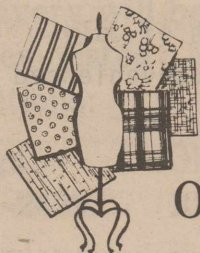
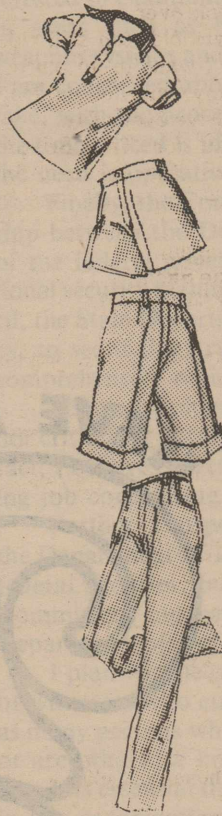
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- Morning Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.
- Wednesday ..... 7:30 p.m.

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## Summer Sale of Fabrics

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# NEWS

## OF HEALTH

### Health Benefits

Fully 98 percent of Americans are subjected to dental disease in some form—tooth decay, periodontal disease, oral cancer and many others.

Fortunately, dentists have greatly reduced the severity of oral illness in recent years, largely by concentrating efforts on prevention, reports the American Dental Association.



Preventive dentistry has helped reduce the incidence of tooth decay in American school-age children by 32 percent in a decade.

That's one reason many people are opposed to a proposed federal tax on health care benefits, including dental care. Dental benefit plans offer a cost-effective means of combating oral disease. If the tax is passed by Congress, many people might elect not to have such plans, for fear it will increase their taxes.

This could lead to a decline in the oral health of Americans—and higher costs for repairing the damage that could have been prevented.

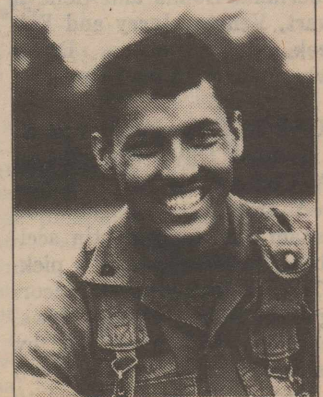
A number of Americans think that idea is pretty hard to swallow. They are asking their legislators where they stand on the proposed bill, H.R. 2574 in the House of Representatives, Washington, D.C. 20515 and S. 640 in the U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C. 20510.

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# Looking Back

through the files of the  
Briscoe County News

**JULY 2, 1953**—Boilerman Third Class Jim Hardin returns on hospital ship USS Consolation after 10 months of duty in Korea . . . Richard Tunnell receives academic achievement medal at New Mexico Military Institute . . . Abe Martin of Flomot dies in Lubbock hospital . . . 1952 seniors have reunion at Burson Lake . . . Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Toler are parents of a daughter . . . Mrs. Wayne Pigg of Lone Star visited Mrs. Claude Loudermilk Monday . . . Norman Chitty has been working with his uncle, Steve Morgan, at Kress . . . Mrs. Mary Bragg, 84, recently underwent eye surgery . . . Nita Kellison weds Carl Dean Henderson . . . John Robert and Mary Ann Wheelock of Canyon have been visiting their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Wheelock . . . Sgt. and Mrs. M. D. Thompson and children have been here visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Brookshier . . .

**JUNE 27, 1957**—James and Durwood Davis delivered first new wheat to H. E. Wilson Grain; Jack Jowell hauled the first load to Harvest Queen, and Silverton Co-op received its first new wheat from L. O. Weak and Chester Burnett . . .

**JULY 3, 1958**—Janice Turner, bride-elect of Frank L. Odom, honored at shower . . . Kay Garrison to marry Elmer White . . . Pax Bunch celebrated her eleventh birthday with a party at the roadside park and a slumber party. Attending were Cheri Bunch, Diane Davis, Jeanne Davis, Diane Reynolds, Martha Mills, Patricia Cagle, Ricki Rowell and Brenda Martin . . . Winnell Ann Jones to marry Harold Dean Beeman . . . J. R. Burson family enjoys reunion . . . Donna Faye Watson, Ray Mitchell to marry . . . Mrs. Ben Garvin honored on 87th birthday . . . Carolyn Frizzell, LaQuetta Chitty, Elaine Stephens and Toni Rhode attending cheerleading school at Midwestern University . . . Luree Burson visiting in California with Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Allen and other relatives . . . Mr. and Mrs. Grover Thomas are parents of a son, Donald Lynn . . .

**JUNE 29, 1950**—Benny Bingham was honored with a party on his seventh birthday. Attending were Benny and Judy Bingham, Mrs. Wayne McCutchen, Waynelle and Joy Ann, Mrs. Curtis Bingham and Myrna Sue, Mrs. Roy Morris and Gretchen, Mrs. Travis Black, Eddie and Freddie, Mrs. Red Gilkeyson and Punkin, Mrs. Gerald Smith and Dale, Butch and Cindy Norris, Elaine and Nena Kay McDaniel, Gale Loudermilk, Donna and Geneva Cowart, Veneta, Jerry and Fay Sweek, Reba Maples, David Newberry and James Tension . . .

**JUNE 30, 1938**—Fred Brannon and Thomas Olive win pigs in FFA Contest. W. C. Donnell placed third . . . Durwood Gresham and Jack Martin accidentally wrecked Cowart's pickup. The accident occurred, according to the Briscoe County News, when "the pickup driven by Gresham was being piloted down the road just a little too fast to make the corner. It will take something over a hundred dol-

lars to repair the truck" . . . Rains slow harvest . . . Miss Valeria Griffith weds R. D. Hodges at Victoria . . . Mrs. Sallie Seaman and Mrs. D. P. Brooks brought home for burial . . . Mrs. W. H. Newman undergoes surgery for appendicitis . . . Riddell and Esdel Hutsell, W. H. Jackson, jr., Wayne White, Ray Cash, Fred and Junior Brannon, W. T. and Cleve Diviney, Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Jackson attended the RA

Camp at Ceta Canyon this week . . .  
**JULY 4, 1929**—Methodists to build new \$10,000 brick building . . . Neale Crawford's stolen Model A Ford Coupe recovered near Antelope Flat . . . C. C. Garrison has purchased a new John Deere tractor . . . Gale Meeker, Charles Cowart, Powell Miller and Jack Wright spent two days in Tule Canyon . . . Postmaster A. E. Frieze attended the state con-

vention of postal workers in Dallas this week . . . Errors and failure to hit caused Silverton to lose to Quitaque 12-4 Sunday . . .

A honeybee can carry a burden 300 times its own weight.

**CROP CLINIC**

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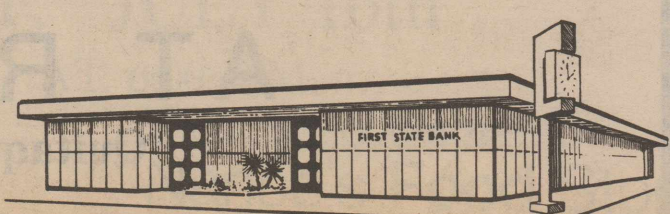


**HAVE A**

# Fantastic Fourth

The bank will be closed Monday, in observance of the Fourth of July. Please arrange your banking business so you will not be inconvenienced in any way by this closing.

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# Skin Cancer May Result From Over-Exposure To The Summer Sun

The fisherman, the farmer and the bathing beauty have something in common—the danger of skin cancer from prolonged over-exposure to the sun.

"It's that time of year when we must remind people to use sense in the sun to avoid over-exposure which can cause skin cancer. Cancer of the skin is diagnosed in over 120,000 Americans each year," said Mary Ann Sarchet of the Briscoe County unit of the American Cancer Society.

She explained, "Most skin cancer is caused by excessive

exposure to the sun. People whose occupation places their work outdoors—for example a lifeguard or construction worker—should be very careful. So should fair-skinned, fair-haired people. Senior citizens form another group advised to take care in the sun."

Since skin cancer occurs more frequently than any other type of cancer, it is important to know its early warning signals: a sore that does not heal; change in size or color of a wart or mole. "If a symptom appears, the person

should not try to wish it away or 'doctor' it himself, Mrs. Sarchet stated. "See your physician as soon as possible. Skin cancer is highly curable if detected and treated in time."

"That's why it is so tragic that about 5,000 people are expected to die of skin cancer this year," she added. "They will be victims of a disease that is largely preventable and highly curable."

The American Cancer Society has available skin cancer leaflets and an educational film entitled, "Sense in the Sun." For further

information contact the ACS office at 1500 Wallace Boulevard, Suite A, Amarillo, Texas 79106 or call 353-4306.

Mrs. Sarchet said, "At this time of year, the ACS advises people in Silverton to: Take sunshine in small doses; Wear a broad-brimmed hat and long-sleeved shirt; Use a beach umbrella; Apply a screening lotion or cream.

### CLINIC WILL CLOSE JULY 4 AND 5

The Briscoe County Clinic in Silverton will be closed July 4 and 5. The clinic will reopen July 6.

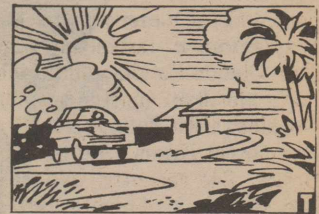
A marine catfish can taste with any part of its body.

## Good News Dept.

### Solar Keratosis Is Treatable

Here's some encouraging news for Americans concerned about a skin condition known as solar keratosis. It is treatable.

Solar keratosis is a skin condition whose symptoms include red, scaly patches... usually on the back of the hands or on the face, neck or a bald head. It is produced by years of exposure to the sun.



Most susceptible to solar keratosis are people who live in climates with intense, year-round sunshine.

If you suspect you have the disease... see your doctor. Physicians have available a prescription cream or solution made by Hoffmann-La Roche Inc. that is often applied to the skin with good results.

Most susceptible to this condition are people who live in climates with intense year-round sunshine. Also facing the possibility of getting this condition... which may become malignant... are blondes, redheads and the fair-skinned.

Only a doctor can diagnose and treat solar keratosis. If you think you have this condition, it's a good idea to see your doctor.

### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed proposals addressed to the Mayor and City Council of the City of Silverton, Briscoe County, Texas, will be received at the Office of the City Secretary, City Hall, until 7:00 P. M., DST, July 18, 1983, for furnishing all necessary materials, equipment, labor, superintendence and all else necessary for repairing and "Seal Coating Streets," Contract No. 888.

Bidders must submit a satisfactory cashiers or certified check, or a bidder's bond, payable without recourse to the order of A. R. Martin, Mayor, in an amount not less than 5% of the bid submitted, as a guaranty that the bidder will enter into a contract and execute a performance bond within ten (10) days after notice of award of contract to him. Bids without required check or bond will not be considered.

The successful bidder must furnish a satisfactory performance bond or other surety in the amount of 100% of the total contract price.

All prices must be stated in both script and figures. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive formalities.

Bidders are expected to inspect the site of the work and to inform themselves regarding all local conditions.

Instructions to bidders, proposal Forms, Specifications and plans may be obtained from the City Secretary, City Hall, Box 250, Silverton, Texas 79257.

/s/ A. R. Martin, Mayor

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The bride-elect is a 1983 graduate of Silverton High School. Her fiance is a 1980 graduate of Kress High School and is currently self-employed.

Vows will be exchanged Saturday, August 13, at 5:00 o'clock in the afternoon at the First Baptist Church in Silverton.

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## Young Family Enjoys Party In Brannon Home

Those enjoying an ice cream and cake supper in the home of Seymour and Ruby Brannon recently were Ted and LaVerne Pitts, Steve and Kathy Pitts, Larry Pitts, Monty and Christi

Meriwether, all of Lubbock; Doug and Donnie Meriwether, Lockney; Don and Mary Shurbet, Shannon and Angie, Kirk Young, Floydada; LaFaun Young, Rance and Nancy Young and Tyler, South Plains; Velma McKee and her daughters, Sherri and Cindy, and her granddaughter, Whitney, Charleston, South Carolina; Brent and Tammy Brannon, Wichita Falls; Peggy Brannon, Gary and Amy, Quitaque; Joe and Vaughnell Brannon and Cal, Wade and Mary Jo Brannon, Jess and Lori, Paul and Susie Brannon, all of Silverton.

### Former Resident Receives Scholarship

A former Silverton resident, Kristin Kleibrink, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Von Kleibrink, received an East Texas State University Entering Freshman Scholarship for the 1983-84 school year.

She is a spring graduate of Quanah High School.

Recipients of these one-year \$500 scholarships receive \$200 for tuition and fees (\$100 each semester), \$200 (\$100 each semester) for university housing and \$100 (\$50 each semester) cash award. Housing scholarships apply only to recipients planning to reside in ETSU housing.

Recipients are determined by academic achievement in high school, community involvement, and other activities. More than 74 ETSU entering freshmen will receive this scholarship.

This was the first time in several years that the Young sisters had all been together. Everyone enjoyed the occasion, visiting and taking pictures.

honestly my own excuses in evading responsibilities?

Blame-shifting Adam said, "The woman whom thou gavest to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat." "The sluggard says, there is a lion outside! I shall be slain in the streets" (Prv. 22:13).

"And they all with one consent began to make excuse" (Lk. 14:18).

### SENIOR 4-H MEMBERS NEED TO CONTACT OFFICE

Senior 4-H members in Briscoe County who want to be considered for the 4-H Gold Star Award need to call the County Extension Office, 823-2343, to apply. The Gold Star Award is the highest award given at the county level for 4-H achievements.

This year a committee of 4-H leaders will select the Gold Star Award recipients based on project work and activities during their years of 4-H work.

4-H'ers must be at least 14 years of age and must complete an Application/Nomination form listing 4-H achievements. These completed forms are due in the Extension Office by 10:00 a.m. July 19.

Winners will be recognized at the County Achievement Banquet and at the District Gold Star Banquet in Lubbock in November.

### AS A MAN THINKETH

Gerald Beasley  
EXCUSES

Consider accident "explanations" received by insurance companies.

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"An excuse is the skin of a reason stuffed with lies." Am I courageous enough to evaluate

### Miss Goodwin Is Shower Honoree

Carren Goodwin, bride-elect of Anthony Gibson, was honored with a bridal shower recently in the home of Mrs. John Wilkerson in Lubbock.

Honored guests were Mrs. Allen Kellum of Silverton, Catherine Goodwin and Mrs. Gene Goodwin of Lubbock, grandmother, sister and mother of the bride-elect.

### 4-H FASHION SHOW TENTATIVELY PLANNED

The 4-H clothing project is underway, and the County 4-H Fashion Show is tentatively planned for July 20.

4-H'ers who plan to participate need to call the County Extension Office, 823-2343, if they are not already involved in a project group.

The 4-H program is open to youth 9-19 years of age regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion or national origin.



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# Strengthening The Social Security System

A Special News Message for the People of the 13th Congressional District

by Jack Hightower

The President has finally signed the bipartisan compromise bill largely put together by the National Commission on Social Security Reform and passed by Congress earlier this year. For many of the 36 million Americans directly affected now, and for the millions to be affected in the future, this measure should save the system about \$165 billion over just the next seven years, and it should reassure those concerned about whether the system will survive its current difficulties.

The basic problem with Social Security was that it was in danger of going bankrupt because more money was being paid out to beneficiaries than was being taken in through Social Security taxes. This new legislation will do many things to

correct the system's short-term and long-term structural problems. I'd like to preface my explanation of what was accomplished by saying that there were a number of items in the package I did not favor. However, my main concern was that if all 535 Members of Congress started picking apart the compromise and taking out every section each of us opposed, everything would have unraveled—with further dangerous delay. Therefore, the Commission's plan was considered in the Congress as one package with the only exception being two special amendments which involved the retirement age and Social Security withholding taxes.

The legislation represented two main approaches to solving the financial problem. First, the income formula was changed to bring more money into the system at a faster and more reliable rate. Second, the com-

plex system of paying benefits was modified so as to reduce the rate at which the funds lose money before being refilled.

First, the bill delays from June to December payment of the cost-of-living adjustment that is intended to help beneficiaries cope with inflation. It also modifies the consumer price index formula by which such adjustments are computed so as to make it more realistic than in the past. Second, the already-scheduled 1985 Social Security tax rates have been speeded up just this one time to go into effect in 1984, but this speed-up only affects employers, not employees. I did not originally support this speed-up but it is one example of the kinds of compromises in the package that Congress agreed to in order to get other provisions included. Third, the Pickle Amendment was approved which provides a phased-in raising of the retirement age from 65 to 67 to be completed by the year 2027. I supported this approach, instead of the other option we had to just raise Social Security taxes again, because I think people are already overburdened with such taxes. Phasing in a slightly higher retirement age makes more sense to me because it's less burdensome to our young taxpayers trying to get on their feet, to our middle-aged taxpayers now carrying the lion's share of the overall tax burden, and in many cases it's more realistic for some of the elderly who are living longer and want to work longer before they retire. And fourth, the bill brings all future federal employees into the Social Security system starting January 1, 1984. This was a hotly controversial item, and I've heard from a large number of federal employees in the district. While I agree with many of the points they make regarding this issue, I can say that one of its good aspects is that for the first time, members of Congress and the Executive branch will have to pay into the system. It is only reasonable and fair that if everyone else has to help support the system, Congress and the Chief Executive should, too. All federal employees who are now covered under the Civil Service Retirement system will continue under that program; they will not lose any benefits.

Another major provision makes one-half of a beneficiary's Social Security income subject to taxation, if the retiree already has an income of \$25,000 or more, or \$32,000 for a couple. In other words, people with a great deal of retirement income in addition to Social Security are being asked to help support other retirees who have nothing but their small Social Security check each month. This is another example of a compromise provision that doesn't please everyone, but is a compromise included to help save the entire system.

There are other miscellaneous provisions that help to stabilize the system and restore balance to the cash-flow. For example, the bill contains a section that says uncashed Social Security checks shall now be put back into the fund. In the past, once a check was issued, it was counted as outgo, whether it was ever cashed or not. Once this system is put in place, these checks will be accounted for, and the Treas-

ury Department is working on the mechanics now. All in all, I think the compromise was critically necessary, and may not have gone far enough, but it was the best package that everyone including the President could agree on. It will definitely help put—and keep—Social Security in the black for the foreseeable future.

## The Social Security Act Amendments of 1983

\*Brings those who go to work for the federal government after January 1, 1983, into the Social Security system. Current and future members of Congress, the President, Vice-President, federal judges and top political appointees will also be included.

\*Brings all employees of private, tax-exempt, non-profit organizations into the system, beginning January 1, 1983.

\*Prohibits state and local governments from terminating Social Security coverage for their employees. Previously, they could drop out of the program if they gave the Social Security Administration two years notice.

\*Delays the July, 1983 cost-of-living adjustment for Social Security and Supplemental Security Income recipients until January, 1984, and switches the annual adjustment to January. The adjustment will be provided next January, even if the increase in the Consumer Price Index is less than three percent. Under the old law, there was no adjustment when the increase was that low.

\*Adjusts the cost-of-living adjustment when reserves in the Old Age and Survivors Insurance and Disability Insurance trust funds are less than 15 percent of what will be needed for the year, for 1985 through 1988. In that case, the adjustment will be based on the lower of the increase in the Consumer Price Index or the increase in average wages.

\*Gradually increases the retirement age from 65 to 67 by the year 2027. The age would be raised to 66 over a six-year period ending in 2009; it would then be raised to 67 over six years ending in 2027.

\*Rearranges payroll tax increases already scheduled to go into effect under previous law. Laws now on the books provide for payroll taxes of 7.15 percent until 1990, when taxes jump to 7.65 percent. The Social Security bill provides an additional, intermediate payroll tax increase from 7.15 percent to 7.51 percent in 1988 before reaching the 7.65 percent level in 1990. A three percent tax credit will be allowed against the 1984 tax increase for employees only.

\*Increases payroll taxes for self-employed individuals from the current 75 percent of combined employer-employee taxes to the full 100 percent of employer-employee taxes. To offset the impact of the tax, self-employed people will be given an income tax credit.

\*Changes the way the government pays hospitals under the Medicare program by establishing fixed fees in advance for various types of services rather than the current cost-plus reimbursement system.

\*Continues the program of extended unemployment benefits for another six months, to September 30, 1983.

\*Adds two public members to

the Social Security board of trustees, now composed of the secretaries of the Treasury, Labor and Health and Human Services.

\*Removes the Social Security system from the "unified" federal budget, beginning in fiscal 1992.

\*Relaxes the penalty on retirees with outside earnings. Under the new law, benefits would be reduced \$1 for each \$3 earned over \$6,600, beginning in 1990. Under existing law, benefits are reduced \$1 for every \$2 over that amount.

\*Further reduces benefits received by persons who retire early.

\*Gradually increases the amount of money paid to workers who do not retire until after they reach 65, beginning in 1990, but cuts off this so-called delayed retirement credit once they reach 70.

\*Taxes either one-half of the Social Security benefits an individual receives or one-half of the amount over \$25,000, whichever is less, if his adjusted gross income exceeds \$25,000. For married couples, the base is \$32,000.

\*Provides for the continuation of Social Security benefits to divorced spouses, disabled divorced spouses and disabled widows and widowers if they remarry after filing for benefits. Under the old law, benefits were terminated in most cases.

\*Permits U. S. employers to provide Social Security coverage for American citizens working abroad for the foreign affiliate of an American employer. The company must have at least 10 percent interest in the foreign company. Under the old law, coverage was available only if both the American employer and the foreign affiliate were corporations.

\*Reduces the so-called "wind-fall benefit" some retirees received when they worked for only a short period of time under the Social Security system and received far more in benefits than they paid in.

\*Instructs HHS to establish a program under which the states can receive official death certificate information from the federal government to prevent benefit payments to the deceased.

\*Requires Congress to establish a study team to determine if the Social Security Administration should be an independent agency.

\*Requires the government to issue Social Security identification cards made of banknote paper to guard against counterfeiting.

\*Provides that aged, blind and disabled residents of public emergency shelters for the homeless may be eligible for Supplemental Security Income benefits for as many as three months in a year. Currently, most residents are not eligible.

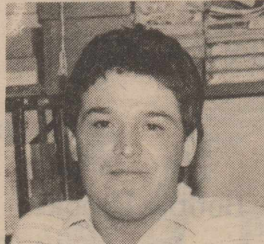
\*Instructs HHS to formally notify elderly Social Security recipients that they may be eligible for benefits under the Supplemental Security Income program.

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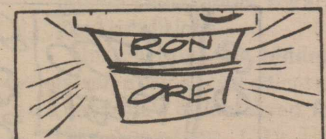
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**Texas Death Rate Hits Lowest Mark**

A total of 111,263 Texans died last year, a slight increase over the previous year, but the death rate dropped to an all-time low of 7.3 deaths per 1,000 population as the population continued to soar.

The U.S. Census Bureau estimated the Texas population at some 15.3 million as of July 1, 1982.

Together, the four leading causes were responsible for seven out of 10 deaths in 1982.

Based on provisional, incomplete data, the national causes of death were the same for Texas in the six highest categories (heart disease, cancer, cerebrovascular disease, accidents, bronchitis, emphysema, asthma and allied conditions, and pneumonia and influenza). The bottom

four categories differ, however. Nationally, they are: (7) diabetes mellitus (ninth in Texas); (8) chronic liver disease and cirrhosis (12th in Texas); (9) suicide (eighth in Texas), and (10) atherosclerosis (eleventh in Texas).

W. D. Carroll, Chief of the Bureau of Vital Statistics, said the Bureau now maintains 24 million records for the state, including 14.9 million birth records, 5.3 million death certificates, 2.7 million marriage records, and 1.1 million divorce records.

(For further information, contact Bill Barrington, Director of Statistical Services Division, Texas Department of Health, 1100 W. 49th St., Austin, Tx 78756. Telephone 512/458-7362.)

The state's 10 leading death causes were:

1. Heart Disease	38,359
2. Cancer	22,470
3. Cerebrovascular Disease	9,149
4. Accidents	7,507
5. Bronchitis, Emphysema, Asthma and Allied Conditions	3,165
6. Pneumonia and Influenza	2,658
7. Homicide	2,551
8. Suicide	1,869
9. Diabetes Mellitus	1,828
10. Certain Conditions Originating in the Perinatal Period	1,595

**NEWS OF HEALTH**

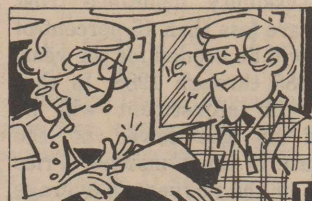
**New Wound Dressing Keeps Air Out, Enhances Healing**

In the course of a lifetime, the average person can expect to sustain nearly 3,000 minor wounds. Perhaps because wounds are so common, many of us don't seek medical help for them when we should.

The variety of materials that have been used to treat wounds in the past ranged from hot oils and waxes to rope fiber and spider webs. Plaster casts were used to treat battlefield wounds in the 19th and early 20th century.

Today, doctors know that to complement the healing process, a dressing should provide the same kind of moist protective environment that the body provides for itself—the epidermis. Some dressings, like gauze, absorb the very moisture that cells need and may stick to the wound surface. Thin polyurethane strips called occlusive dressings retain wound moisture but may cause problems because they are difficult to handle.

Now, many of the problems of plastic occlusive dressings are being solved with a new wound dressing called DuoDerm®, developed by scientists at ConvaTec, a Squibb company. Unlike other wound dressings, whose adhesive can be weakened by moisture escaping from the skin or by fluid which exudes from the



wound, the new dressing contains Hydroactive™ particles which interact with and use moisture. These particles are embedded in a polymer base which is impervious to moisture and adheres well to dry or wet surfaces.

It is a combination that allows the dressing to bond securely to the normal skin which surrounds the wound, but keeps it from sticking to wound surfaces, where moisture mixes with the dressing to form a soft gel over the damaged tissue. This gel also protects the wound bed when the dressing is removed.

In clinical studies conducted on over 400 patients with chronic wounds such as leg ulcers and pressure sores, more than 60 percent of the wounds healed—wounds that had not responded to any other treatment.

What's more, the new dressing, being impermeable to the air, promotes healing without exposure to atmospheric oxygen, apparently disproving the long-held notion that it is necessary to "let the wound breathe."



Africa's Lake Tanganyika descends to a depth of 4,700 feet.



By Dr. George Purvis  
VP-Nutrition Sciences  
Gerber Products Company

Q. I am a working mother who needs to save time and money. I like the convenience of commercial baby food, but I wonder how it compares to home-prepared food in price.

A. A comparison can be made between the cost of commercial baby foods as purchased with the cost of the ingredients used to make the same baby foods from scratch. Comparisons of this type indicate that making food at home offers only slight savings over purchasing commercial baby food.

A better comparison takes into account all the hidden costs involved in preparing baby food at home, such as gas and electricity used in cooking. For the parent, making baby food can be time-consuming.

Studies show that when all these costs are added up, buying commercially prepared baby food is actually more economical than making baby food at home.

For parents who are considering making their own baby foods, it is important to remember to keep baby's portion separate if family foods are seasoned. The first choice of ingredients for home prepared baby foods is raw produce.

Overall, commercial baby foods offer parents the guarantee of good nutrition, along with time-saving convenience—a perfect combination for working parents.

**Avoid Too Much Sun**

You can save your skin—especially if you live in the sunbelt—by avoiding too much exposure to the sun.

Skin experts point out that excessive exposure to the sun may prematurely age your skin, wrinkle it and give it a leathery look.



Too much exposure to the sun may prematurely age your skin.

Sun damage may be more than merely cosmetic. Exposure over many years, especially by light-complexioned people, may lead to a condition known as solar keratosis, which in some cases may become malignant if untreated. Symptoms of this skin condition include irregular, red, scaly patches which appear on exposed areas of the body... particularly the face and the back of the hands.

Only a doctor can properly diagnose and treat solar keratosis. A prescription medication available in cream or solution, manufactured by Hoffmann-La Roche Inc., is often applied to the skin with good results for people who have solar keratosis.

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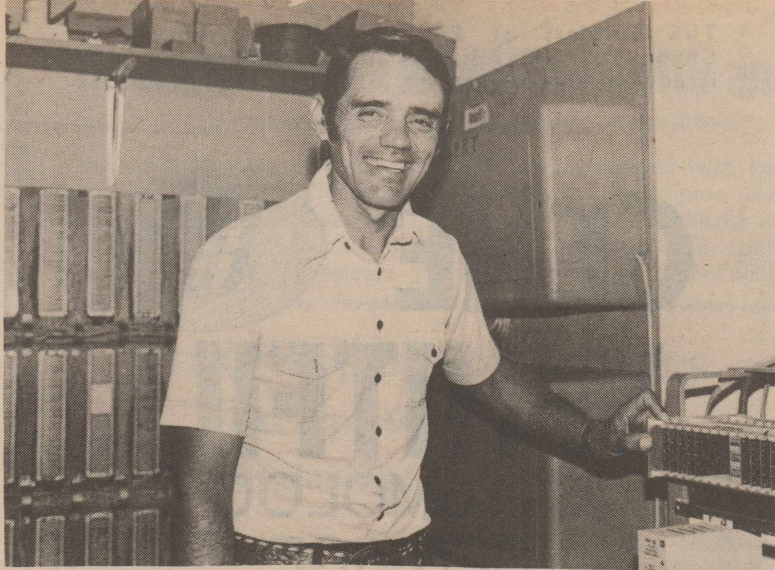
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**INSTALLATION, MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR RECEIVES ADDITIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES**

In an effort to improve customer services and relations, Gayle Gilreath, Installation and Maintenance Supervisor for General Telephone for Memphis, Lakeview, Estelline, Turkey, Silverton, Paducah, Wellington and Dodson, has been assigned the

additional responsibility of small business systems sales, according to Jimmy Bennett, Operations Manager in Memphis.

The Installation and Maintenance Supervisor concept is part of General Telephone's plan to return responsibility for customer service to the local area. Bennett describes it as "Part of an overall plan to improve our relationship with our customers and provide them with the kind of service they request. The Installation and Maintenance Supervisor initially was responsible for quality service to our customers locally and was to resolve problems that could not be taken care of through normal company channels. The sales responsibilities open up a whole new area for the Installation and Maintenance Supervisor. He is now commissioned with not only servicing customer equipment but insuring that the customer receives the correct equipment for his particular need. The challenge of creating the correct customer/equipment mix is difficult, but I'm sure he'll meet the challenge."

Gilreath, a native of Memphis, lives in Memphis with his wife, Sue, and their two children. He began his career with GTE in 1960 as a lineman in Memphis. He was promoted to management in 1982 and has held various technical positions in the company including Central Office. Gilreath is assistant fire chief in Memphis.

Emphasizing his interest in personalizing service, Gilreath stated that he is "excited about this responsibility. I feel I know the customer's needs and his location, as well as having the technical expertise to provide our customers with tailored telephone systems." Gilreath concluded that he is also looking forward to the continuing of service improvements and serving the local community.



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**CAPITOL UPDATE**



*John Tower*  
U.S. SENATOR for TEXAS  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

As the task of defending our national security has grown in complexity during the years since World War II, so has the Department of Defense. During both Republican and Democratic Administrations, its size and the complexity of its bureaucracy have grown dramatically. A number of issues have been raised repeatedly in recent years that make it necessary for us to question whether changes need to be made to improve the decision-making process.

The Senate Armed Services Committee, on which I serve as chairman, soon will begin a comprehensive study into these issues.

We will examine the organization of the Office of the Secretary of Defense to determine whether decisionmaking has become overcentralized, staffs are too large, duplicatory work is being done or military judgment and innovation are being stifled.

Secondly, we will look at the organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff to see if it is organized in such a way as to be effective in performing its missions.

Additionally, we will look at the way in which the unified military commands function to see if interservice cooperation and planning are adequate. We also are interested in examining the way in which decisions are made in areas such as budget formulation, procurement of weapons systems and testing and evaluation of these systems. I am concerned about the amount of time these decisions take, with the process often stretching into years between the time a need is identified and the time a system to meet the need is operational.

Finally, the Committee intends to examine the relationship between the Department of Defense and other parts of the federal government which become involved in national security planning, such as the National Security Council, the State Department and the Central Intelligence Agency, to see if the structure lends itself to formulation of a comprehensive national security strategy.

Let me emphasize that in beginning this inquiry I am not criticizing Secretary of Defense Casper Weinberger. In fact, I believe Secretary Weinberger has done an outstanding job considering the bureaucracy he inherited.

Further, I suspect that any weaknesses we may find in the Department of Defense organization also exist in other federal agencies, but as Chairman of the Armed Services Committee, my responsibilities lie in looking into the Department of Defense.

I plan for the committee to hear from a large number of witnesses who currently hold government office as well as many persons who have previously served in government or are otherwise knowledgeable about this subject.

It is essential that we determine what, if any, problems in the organization and structure of the Department of Defense keep the decision-making process from operating as smoothly as it could. Failure to do this leaves us with the possibility of incurring unnecessary costs or being unable to respond quickly to a potential crisis.

**DIABETES AND YOUR EYES**

If you are one of the estimated ten million Americans who have diabetes, it's important not to lose sight of having a regular eye examination.



The cause for concern is an eye disease linked to diabetes that is fast emerging as the nation's leading cause of blindness. The National Society to Prevent Blindness, founded 75 years ago, reports that the diabetic retinopathy disorder is already the number one cause of new cases of vision loss among adults between ages 20 and 74—some 4,700 a year.

early diagnosis improves the chance of saving vision in many cases, the Society urges all diabetics to have regular eye examinations by an ophthalmologist (medical eye specialist).

The longer a person has diabetes, the greater risk of this disease. Most of those who have diabetes for 15 years or more are affected by it to some degree. Since

A free pamphlet explaining more about this diabetic-linked eye disease is available by sending a stamped, self-addressed envelope to your State Society to Prevent Blindness, or the National Society to Prevent Blindness, 79 Madison Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10016.

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The Scientists Tell Me...

# Hyperthermia Effective Treatment For Cancer Eye in Cattle

By Robert L. Haney  
TAES Science Writer

More than 9 out of 10 cases of ocular tumor, (cancer eye), in cows regressed after treatment with hyperthermia, according to scientists with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, who conducted extensive field testing of this new technique.

This is of real significance since annual economic losses to the U.S. livestock industry from cancer eye have been estimated to be in excess of 20 million dollars, according to Dr. Gary C. Smith, Professor of Animal Science at Texas A&M University. Dr. Nelson Adams, Extension Livestock Specialist, Fort Stockton, was in charge of field testing.

Losses are in the form of reduction in salvage value due to carcass condemnation, reduction of weaning weights of calves nursing affected cows, weight losses of affected cows, and a shorter productive life-span of cows and associated replacement costs for such cows.

Hyperthermia, (super heat), is furnished in the field by a small hand-held device developed by Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory and manufactured by private industry.

Cancer cells have been found to be more susceptible to damage by heat than normal body cells and therefore are killed by a heat level that causes little or no permanent injury to adjacent normal tissue cells.

The device induces heat in animal tissue by the passage of radio-frequency electric currents through the tissue, between and under the electrodes.

A treatment involves heating the tumor site for 30 seconds. Power source is a portable 12-volt battery or the device can be operated from a cigarette-lighter receptacle in a motor vehicle.

Bovine cancer eye occurs more frequently in geographic areas with high intensity ultraviolet light and some breeds are more susceptible than others. For testing, Smith and Adams chose 16 ranches in high-risk areas in West Texas and examined 1,770 cows and found 239 of the cows had ocular tumor (cancer eye).

Cooperating ranchers were sought, with a relatively large number of cows with cancer eye tumors, who would cooperate in treatment and follow-up evaluations.

A detailed diagram was made of the exact location on the eye and the approximate size of each tumor. No histo-

pathological examination was made of tumor cells and all tumors were treated, except for seven advanced invasive-stage corneal tumors.

"It has been reported that 20 to 25% of the cases grossly diagnosed as cancer eye are not squamous cell carcinoma," Smith says.

"However, ranchers or veterinarians in the field would not try to determine whether the observed lesions were malignant or benign and would treat every tumor; such was the procedure in this evaluation. Treating all tumors is recommended since benign lesions often become malignant."

Most treatments initially were performed by Adams. However, by demonstrating the technique during treatment on each ranch he involved the ranch owner, county extension agent, and ranch foreman in learning the proper procedure.

Therefore, the results rep-

resent a number of operators using the hyperthermia device under diverse conditions. There were 420 individual tumors identified on the 230 cows for an average of 1.76 per cow.

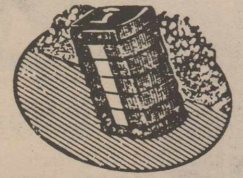
As previously mentioned, seven cows had tumors in the advanced invasive stage, completely encompassing the cornea, and some of these had secondary infections. No treatment was attempted on these cows.

In this evaluation, 81.2% of all tumors on affected cows occurred on the eyeball and 18.8% were on the eyelids. Of the 18.8% occurring on the eyelids, 46.8% occurred on the outer surface of the upper or lower lid and 53.2% occurred on the third eyelid.

A 95% regression was achieved for all tumors, irrespective of location, less than 5mm. in diameter or requiring one application of treatment.

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# USDA Exercises PIK Option For 1983-Crop Upland Cotton

Farmers who do not have enough upland cotton under government loan to cover the amount they will receive under the payment-in-kind program will be required to obtain loans on their 1983 production, Secretary of Agriculture John R. Block said recently.

Farmers who did not plant upland cotton in 1983 or who have not planted enough to cover the amount they are scheduled to receive under PIK will instead receive payment-in-kind cotton presently in government inventory, he said.

Under PIK, the U. S. Department of Agriculture makes in-kind payments to upland cotton

farmers who reduce their plantings to specified levels. Cotton farmers who agreed to reduce their 1983 plantings will receive an amount of upland cotton up to 80% of the amount they would have produced on the PIK acreage.

Block said all producers who signed a contract to participate in the 1983 PIK program agreed to obtain a loan on their 1983 production for PIK purposes to satisfy program needs, if required by CCC. USDA decided to exercise this option after determining there is an insufficient quantity of upland cotton currently available to USDA's Commodity Credit Corporation to

meet PIK needs, he said.

Under the announcement, producers may place eligible 1983-crop upland cotton in an approved warehouse and receive a regular price support loan for the cotton and earn storage payments for up to five months beginning on their area's availability date for in-kind cotton, Block said.

At any time during the five months, the producer may redeem the loan collateral and sell it to CCC. The producer then will be eligible to immediately receive the payment-in-kind from CCC inventory.

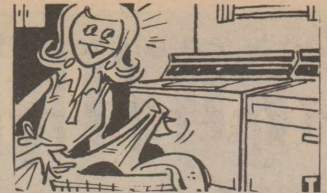
## TIME-SAVING SHORTCUTS

### WASHERS

In the busy pace of today's world, homemakers are looking for time-saving and energy-saving ideas. Here's some advice from home economists from Whirlpool Corporation that can help you get the best results in less time when using your automatic washer.

- Organize your laundry area—with a place to store laundry aids and a table or counter nearby to sort clothing.

- Choose your new washer wisely—look for labor-saving features such as fabric softener dispenser, bleach dispenser, automatic cleaning lint filter,



various cycle selections and water level controls.

- Purchase clothing wisely—quality garments with good seam allowances and strong, short stitches are the most durable and will withstand the washing process for a long time.

- Check permanent care labels for machine wash instructions to see if any trim or lining can be washed and dried the same way as the rest of the garment.

- Sort clothing by color, amount of soil and fabric.

- Wash full loads of similar fabrics rather than partial loads.

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# USDA Requests Comments On 1984 Feed Grain Program

Secretary of Agriculture John R. Block has called for public comment on some specifics of the 1984 feed grain program.

Block said the deadline for comments is August 23 which will allow the U. S. Department

of Agriculture to study the public's recommendations along with current data on U. S. and world crop conditions and crop supply and demand, before announcing the 1984 program. He said his current intentions are to

announce final program provisions by the end of September which would be well ahead of the November 15 statutory deadline.

Specifically USDA would like to receive comments on:

- the loan and purchase level;
- the established (target) price;

- the national program acreage;

- whether there should be a voluntary reduction percentage and, if so, what percentage;

- whether there should be an acreage reduction program and, if so, what percentage and how will the acreage bases for the acreage reduction program be established;

- whether a set-aside requirement is necessary and, if so, what percentage;

- whether there should be a payment-in-kind (PIK) program and, if so, the PIK program provisions that should be applicable;

- whether there should be a land diversion program and, if so, the extent of such diversion and the level of payment;

- whether barley should be determined eligible for payment purposes under the feed grain program;

- whether malting barley should be exempt from any acreage reduction program;

- if an acreage reduction, set-aside or payment-in-kind program is necessary, whether to allow haying and grazing of conservation use acreage;

- provisions of the farmer-owned reserve;

- whether to require offsetting compliance if an acreage reduction program is established; and

- whether to include popcorn and waxy corn as field corn for program purposes.

Details of the program options USDA is considering are in the June 24 Federal Register.

Comments will be accepted by Howard C. Williams, director, analysis division, USDA-ASCS, Room 3741-S, P. O. Box 2415, Washington, D. C. 20013. The comments will be available for public inspection in Williams' office during regular business hours.

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### Tips YOU Can Use From The Garage Door Council

Family security is one very good reason a growing number of homeowners are looking over their garage doors very carefully. They know that a well-maintained garage door is an important key to keeping the uninvited outside and keeping families safely on the inside.

Following these tips from Frank S. Fitzgerald, president of the Garage Door Council, may help you during a garage door security check. Says Fitzgerald:

- If your garage door is damaged in any way, don't put off repairs.

- An electrically operated door, if properly counterbalanced, will operate smoothly. If counterbalancing isn't done right at installation, it will reduce the life expectancy of your door opener.

- Look for qualified repair people. Check the Yellow Pages under "Doors" for your nearest garage door dealer. Look for those deal-



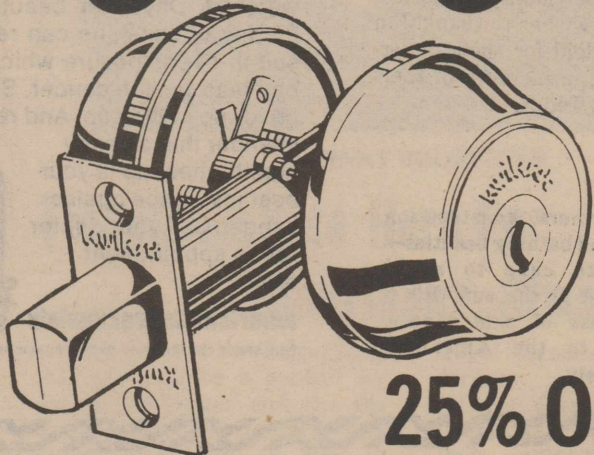
ers who display the emblem of the Far Western Garage Door Association or the Door and Operator Dealers of America.

- Keep the tracks and other moving parts properly lubricated. This type of maintenance can be done by most handy do-it-yourselfers.

- Remember, a good garage door not only safeguards your family's security but is energy-efficient as well. When properly installed and maintained, it can open the door to convenience, peace of mind and savings.

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The Briscoe County Historical Commission wishes to thank Jim and Sheila Reid for their generous donation in memory of their grandfather, Ted Reid.

Take Care Sailors, farmers, construction workers—and bathing beauties—should take care to avoid overexposure to the sun. It's a leading cause of skin cancer, according to the American Cancer Society.

## Warning

The American Cancer Society estimates that over 400,000 Americans will develop superficial skin cancer — a form of cancer that can be prevented by avoidance of excessive exposure to the sun.

## Skin Changes are warnings

If you have a fair complexion that sunburns rather than tans; if you have to be (or wish to be) out in the sun all the time—watch out for skin cancer, warns the American Cancer Society. If local changes occur on your skin—most often face, hands or lips—see your doctor if they do not clear up in two weeks.

# Anyone under the sun can get cancer.

If you work in the sun, watch it. Day after beautiful day of sunshine can result in overexposure which can lead to skin cancer. So cover up in the sun. And remember that a yearly health checkup is your best insurance against cancer. Call your doctor for an appointment today.

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