



The newspaper office will be closed from Wednesday through Sunday of next week. We hope this won't inconvenience our customers if they make plans in advance.

We are looking forward to a very special event to be held on my cousins' ranch west of Barksdale. (If you don't want to take time to look it up on your map, that is west of San Antonio.)

The cousins, who will be gathering at the Carson Ranch, are the children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren of my mother and her sisters and brothers. My mother was the youngest in a family of eight children, one of whom died in infancy. She was the last survivor, though one sister-in-law still lives at San Marcos and is planning to attend the reunion.

These are members of the Worrell family, and they've never been known for keeping in touch through letters, much less for getting together for a reunion. One cousin lives with her family in Saudi Arabia, and was planning to attend the last I heard. Others are scattered over Texas, from the Fort Worth area to Houston to San Antonio, from San Marcos to Barksdale, Uvalde Rocksprings and into Kansas. Some of them I've never met, but I'm looking forward to meeting them. A couple of "adopted" cousins are even planning to attend from Indiana, I under-

Ken and Jonann and their kids, my brother, sister-in-law and their sons are all planning to attend. We were there for a reunion several years ago, so I know what to expect—lots of good food, and a barbecue grill loaded with beef, mutton and cabretta. They've had lots of rain this spring, and the countryside should be just beautiful.

#### Something Big Coming July 31

Something BIG is coming to Silverton's First United Methodist Church Friday, July 31, from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. You can see it, feel it, hear it, smell it, taste it, enjoy it.

All boys and girls who are five years old through sixth graders are invited to plan to be there.

#### **Big Fourth Of July Celebration In Silverton**

#### Jimmy Ross Sworn In As Briscoe County Judge

Jimmy H. Ross was sworn in as the Briscoe County Judge Tuesday morning, after the Commissioners Court had received Judge Fred Mercer's resignation in a special session.

Ross expressed a sincere desire to serve all the people of Briscoe County, and said that "his office door will always be open and he will be receptive to the constructive ideas of the people." He plans to have an open meeting soon, at which residents will be invited to voice their opinions about the future of Briscoe County.

"Not having campaigned for this office, I have not had an opportunity to get acquainted with them prior to assuming this office," he said, "and I do want to get to know them and learn what their priorities are for our county government."

Ross is married to the former Velda Woods, daughter of Duke and Mary Woods. They have three daughters, Julie, Janet and Sammie Dee.

They are members of the Methodist Church and he is affiliated with the Democratic Party.

He is a graduate of Flomot High School with the Class of 1961 and received his bachelor's degree at West Texas State University in 1965. He has also done graduate work at the University of Arizona.

He was employed in public relations and education for High Plains Underground Water District in 1967-68, and was a member of the staff of Governor Preston Smith in 1969-70. He has been self employed since 1971.

He will be retiring soon as District Governor of Lions Club District 2T-1. He has served during the past year as secretary of the Lions Club statewide organization, and has been chosen as the state parliamentarian.

Ross was a Sunday School teacher in 1979-81, was chairman of the Administrative Council of his church in 1982-86, and is currently a Lay Leader.

He has been active in the Flomot Homecoming Associa-



County & District Clerk Bess Mc Williams was pictured Tuesday morning as she administered the oath of office to Jimmy Ross, who was being sworn in as Briscoe County Judge following the resignation of Judge Fred Mercer.

Briscoe County News Photo

tion, serving as president in 1972-75, was Motley County Democratic Chairman in 1976, is serving as secretary of the board of directors of Water Control and Improvement, and has been a member of the board of directors of Lighthouse Electric Cooperative since 1984. In 1979, he was selected as one of the Outstanding Young Men of America by the United States Jaycees.

Mercer stated his health as the reason for his resignation and said, "I've really enjoyed these 8½ years I've served as County Judge."

He has also served in the

Commissioners Court, on the board of the Silverton Independent School District, on the ASCS county committee, as Scoutmaster and as Mayor of Silverton. He has been active in community service through his involvement in the Lions Club and other civic organizations.

#### No Meeting Friday For 4-H Horse Club

The Briscoe County 4-H Horse Club will NOT meet this Friday due to the Fourth of July holiday weekend.

The Briscoe County Activities Association has made plans for a community celebration on the Fourth of July, with a variety of activities planned for those of all ages at the County Show Barn and ballpark area.

Plans have been made for recreation to include volleyball, horseshoe and washer pitching, croquet, games of 42 and a lot of plain-old fashioned visiting.

At 6:00 p.m., the food committee will open the concession stand in the Show Barn to sell chopped brisket sandwiches and iced tea for \$2.00.

The quilt and saddle to be given away at the Briscoe County Birthday Celebration in August will be displayed, and donations on these give-aways will be accepted. The quilt was donated by Mrs. Joe (Ruby) McWaters and the proceeds from its sale will go toward renting the tent to provide shade for the County Celebration in August.

The young people will have an area disignated in the parking area for shooting fireworks Saturday, and it is hoped that everyone will come and have a good time.

Fireworks are still being sold at the Briscoe County Activities Association's stand at Mike Pigg's Automotive Shop.

The Silverton Fire Department has donated \$200 raised in their brisket sale to the Activities Association. This amount was in excess of the total of the insurance on the Show Barn.

#### June Rainfall Totals 3.15 Inches

Rainfall during June had totaled 3.15 inches Tuesday afternoon as this paper was being prepared for printing, according to the official measurement recorded by Fred Strange.

During the past week, 1.40 inches has fallen on Silverton, with some pea-size hail about noon Monday.

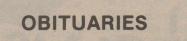
The June rainfall brought the 1987 total to date to 12.37 inches, 1.81 inches above the normal for this time of year of 10.56 inches.

Only .60 of an inch of rain fell at Lake Mackenzie Monday and Monday night, but 2.25 inches fell along with a large amount of hail at the John Wyatt and Mrs. G. Mayfield homes. Mrs. Wyatt said that when she returned home after work, the hail was still drifted in banks like snow.

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#### R. B. STEVENSON

Funeral services for R. B. (Toby) Stevenson, 81, of Tulia were conducted at 11:00 a.m. Thursday at the First Baptist Church in Tulia with the Rev. Charles Davenport, pastor, offi-

Burial was in Lubbock's Resthaven Memorial Park with arrangements directed by Wallace Funeral Home.

If you need work done on your vehicle, just call 995-3565 during the day, or call 823-2039 (Joe)

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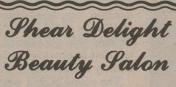
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phone call away! **GRABBE-SIMPSON** Motors, Inc.

Mr. Stevenson died at 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, June 23, at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Amarillo following a lengthly illness.

Born in Silverton December 10, 1905, he was a son of the late Eph and Dixie (Northcutt) Stevenson. The Stevensons partially reared their family on a farm and ranch in the Rock Creek community. Tule Creek ran through their property and furnished picnic areas for the whole Stevenson clan. From this creek.





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Family of the new Briscoe County Judge, Jimmy Ross, include Mrs. Velda Ross (second from left), and daughters, Janet, Sammie Dee and Julie.

volcanic sand, an excellent cleanser, was given to the other Stevenson families.

After living in the Kress area, the Eph Stevenson family moved to Amarillo. Toby Stevenson was married to the former Shirley Palmer on September 2, 1943 in Amarillo, and they moved to Tulia in December of 1945.

Mr. Stevenson was a U. S. Navy veteran of World War II and was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and a past commander of the American Legion. He was owner of White's Auto Store in Tulia for 25 years, retiring in 1973. He was a member of the Industrial Board and a former Chamber of Commerce director. He was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife; a sister, Morean Cook of Graham; and five brothers, John R. Stevenson of Hereford, T. E. Stevenson of Ventura, California, H. H. Stevenson of Colorado City, Clay Stevenson of San Angelo and Charles Stevenson of Durango, Colorado.

Pallbearers were Raymond Stevenson, Jerry Cook, Don Cook, Howard Adams, Jack Palmer and Brent Palmer.



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#### **DOYAL SMITH**

A former Silverton resident, Doyal Smith of Arlington, died Wednesday morning of last week at Arlington. Services were conducted Friday at Moore Funeral Home in Arlington, and burial was at White Settlement, a Fort Worth suburb.

Mr. Smith moved to Silverton in about 1905, and lived on a farm west of town. He was married to his first wife, the former Miss Marie Thomas, in 1929. They moved to Ropesville in about 1930, to Grandbury about 1952. She preceded him in death in 1963.

He moved to Arlington in January 1970.

He was preceded in death by a son, Keith, in 1969.

He is survived by his wife, Inez; a stepdaughter, Mrs. Ted (Wanda) Hancock of Plainview; and two grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Hancock were among those who were in Arlington for the funeral services last Friday.

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## **Looking Back**

through the files of the Briscoe County News

June 23, 1977—Services held for the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Burson . . . Mrs. T. W. Devenport buried Sunday . . E. R. Lytle buried at Morton . . . Walleye stocked in Lake Mackenzie . . . Debra Cantwell to marry Gary Mark Burk . . . Bridal shower here honors Mrs. Monte Cannon . . .

June 30, 1977-Youth leaders from Briscoe County 4-H Clubs who participated in the Teen Leader Lab last week were Leslie Pigg, Connie Rowell, Jolanda Clayton, Lex Herrington and Walter Perkins . . . Cynthia Edwards is high point representative from the Texas Junior Quarter Horse Association and has been invited to compete in pole bending at the American Junior Quarter Horse Associattion World Championship Show the first week in August . . . Mr. and Mrs. David Schott are parents of a daughter, Sarah Denise . . . Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Pigg are parents of a daughter, Krissi Shahnice . . . Attending basketball camp at Wayland Baptist College last week were Brenda Boling, Susie Tipton, DeAnn Strange, Sally Northcutt, Tandy McJimsey, Delinda Ziegler, Missy Brown, Dena Green, Cynthia Edwards, Katy Francis, Vicki McJimsey, Scotti Fleming, Kim Fitzgerald, Staci Mayfield, Melinda Sutton and Stacy Robertson . . . Mr. and Mrs. Steve Brown honored at a gift recep-

June 22, 1967-Mrs. J. H. Burson, eldest member of the First Baptist Church in Silverton, and Mrs. Cora Donnell, the member with the longest service to the church, were recognized during the 75th anniversary activities here June 16-18. Mrs. Donnell has been a member of the church since 1901 . . . Edwin Davis home for a few days . . . Snooks Frizzell had the misfortune of breaking a leg Tuesday when a plow fell on him . . Amplus Arville Boling buried Wednesday . . . Bill Alan Edwards, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Edwards, buried here...City purchases new fire truck . . .Johnny Jowell is working as a flying instructor at **Aerdyne Aviation at Tradewinds** Airport in Amarillo . . . Luther McJimsey has been in the intensive care unit at Methodist Hospital in Lubbock . . . Mrs. Theron Crass, a member of the Suverton Lastern Star chapter, was the installing organist for the installation of Thetis B. Rogers as Worthy Matron and John T. Rogers, sr. as Worthy Patron of the Quitaque OES

recently...

June 27, 1957—Funeral services held for Mrs. Hattie Nell Wingo... Mrs. C. R. Badgett had a cancer removed from her left hand last Friday at the Plainview Clinic... Mmes. J. H. May and Loyd May and sons were in Tulia Monday afternoon. They went for a consulation with a doctor and took the boys' boxer to the veterinarian to have his ears cropped... Mrs. Gerald Smith and Archie Ray Martin spent last

week in Bentonville, Arkansas visiting Mr. and Mrs. Claude Loudermilk and Mr. and Mrs. Ashel McDaniel and family . . . Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Davis were hosts at an old fashioned homemade ice cream supper Friday, honoring their son and family, Second Lieutenant and Mrs. Carol D. Davis and Alex, who left Saturday for Fort Benning, Georgia . . . Mrs. W. A. McJimsey, Helen and Harvey and Mr. and Mrs. L. A. McJimsev were in Vernon Sunday to visit Mrs. M. E. Noblett, mother of Mrs. W. A. McJimsey, who has been a patient in a rest home there for a long time . . . Mr. and Mrs. Fulton Gregg left Tuesday for an

extended visit with their grand-

son, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Isbell and daughters in Estes Park, Colorado...

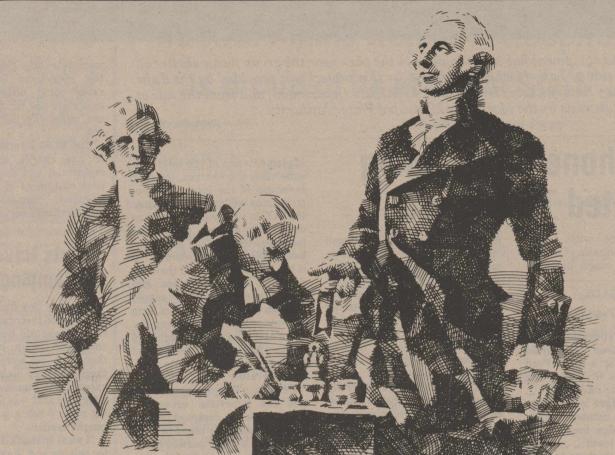
June 19, 1947-Much wheat harvested during first week; high yields made . . . Clarence Gill, 34, buried at Tulia . . . Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Yancy are parents of a daughter, Georgia Lawan . . . Another new irrigation well has been reported on the farm of Lowell Rowell . . . Chief and Mrs. Peter Hoyt of Corpus Christi are here visiting their parents and other relatives . . . Mrs. K. N. Tiffin returned recently from a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Pyron, at 'Tyler . . . Mrs. T. C. Bomar and Mary Tom returned Saturday from Plainview where Mary Tom has been in the hospital with bronchial pneumonia... Miss Othel Welch is bride of William Long... Miss Dorothy Kingery weds Joe Powell, editor of the Briscoe County News... Large crowd entertained in the John Vaughan home...

June 22, 1939—2.61 inches of rain fell Tuesday night... Edna Pearl Sheppard is bride of Jerry Burson... Mr. and Mrs. Judd Donnell of Canyon spent Sunday with their parents... Will Newman left Sunday for South Texas to see his father who is seriously ill... Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hardcastle and son of Turkey spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. Tom Bomar... Mr. and Mrs. Durward Brown are par-

ents of a daughter, Bettye Ann... Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Puckett are parents of a daughter... Mr. and Mrs. Luther Gilkeyson and Mrs. S. B. Gilkeyson went to Amarillo Saturday night where Mrs. Gilkeyson took the train to return to her home in San Francisco, after an extended visit here with her children and friends...

September 19, 1929—Silverton Laundry opened by W. W. Cobb & Sons... County receives more rainfall... Natural gas is made available for use Saturday... Require three more weeks for sewers... Mesdames Walter and Bill Watters treated the Haylake

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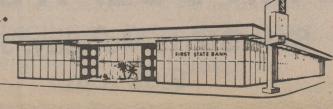


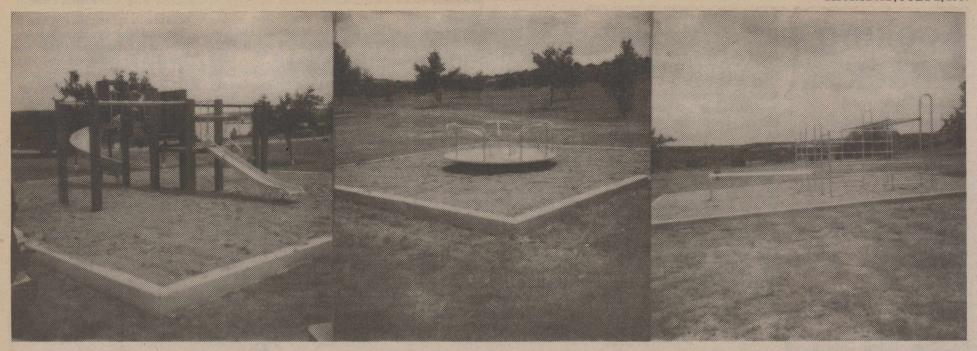
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began the document, so powerful it set
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the world and founded a new nation, separate and independent. When our forefathers
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ago, they were shaping the very ideals and
principles that would become the foundation upon which we live and work today.

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Playground equipment has been installed in the park near the group picnic shelter on the south side of Lake Mackenzie. Money for this project was provided by the Tulia and Lockney Rotary Clubs, Texas Parks & Wildlife Department, and from the sale of recreation permits by the Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority.

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## Telephone Rates Being Adjusted This Week

In accordance with recent Federal Communication Commission action, all single line busi-

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School to a watermelon feast Thursday afternoon . . . Gerald Smith is driving a new Ford Sedan . . . H. L. O. Riddell has been real sick the past week . . . Miss Jewell Hodges is secretary of the Methodist Sunday School .

... London Bridge meets with Mrs. Bruce Burleson . . . Mrs. Bland Burson is hostess to 1925 Study Club . . . Dr. and Mrs. Roy McCasland are parents of a daughter . . . Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Francis were in town Tuesday to see about getting gas fittings to connect with gas in their home at Francis . . . Mr. and Mrs. Searcy welcomed a fine baby boy to their home Friday night . . .

ness and residential telephone customers across the nation, including those served by General Telephone, will be subject to an increase in their interstate Subscriber Line Charge from the current \$2.00 per month to a \$2.60 per month charge.

This 60c increase in the interstate subscriber line charge is effective July 1, 1987, and is the third phase of a federally mandated process that is intended to gradually eliminate the practice of charging customers more for long-distance service in order to keep local rates artificially low.

Business customers with more than one line have been paying a \$6 interstate subscriber line charge since May 1984. This interstate subscriber line charge will not change.

Under the Federal Communications Commission plan for

implementation of the interstate subscriber line charges, the total revenues of the local telephone companies will not increase since the FCC in turn will reduce by an equivalent amount charges to long-distance carriers for use of local facilities and equipment. It is the intent of the FCC that this decrease in long-distance carriers' expense will be passed through to consumers in the form of reduced interstate long-distance rates. Some interexchange carriers have already announced plans to reduce interstate longdistance rates.

General Telephone officials said the interstate subscriber line charges are designed to shift from long-distance users to local customers, a larger portion of the actual costs of providing the line from their residence or business to the telephone switching equipment. It was pointed out that long-distance rates have been artificially high to pay a portion of these costs, thus benefitting local exchange access rates by keeping them artificially low.

Depending on the amount of

interstate long-distance calling, the reductions for interstate rates could offset the \$2.60 interstate fee for many customers, especially high volume users.

The \$2.60 interstate subscriber line charge applies to all residential and single line business customers of all exchange telephone companies providing local exchange service.

#### Scouts Have Fun On Camping Trip

Silverton Boy Scouts of Troop 262 enjoyed their camping trip to Lake Mackenzie over the weekend. They swam, hiked, fished, though no fish were caught, and there was very little sleep. They killed a rattlesnake in the late afternoon that was found under a big rock. When it got dark, they caught fireflies.

"I want to thank Tommy Davis for helping and Wayne Nance for the use of his pickup," said Scoutmaster Mark Eddleman. "Our mowing project wasn't successful because we got only four lawns to mow, so we won't do lawns any more. We thank those people for helping the troop."

Due to things being abused and returned late, there will be no more equipment loaned from the Scout Hut. All equipment there belongs to the Boy and Girl Scouts, and if you have any equipment that belongs to the Scouts, we will appreciate it if you will please return it to the Scout Hut or give it to one of the Scouts.

The next meeting will be Monday at 4:30 p.m. at the Scout Hut. All of the boys need to bring their handbooks.

Eat like a bird? Not likely. Birds eat at least half their own weight in food every day.

#### Post Office Closed Friday Afternoon

The Post Office will close at noon on Friday, July 3, 1987.

If you have mail that must go out that day, please have it in the office by noon.

The mail truck will pick up the mail in the outside box at 2:00 p.m. that day.

There will be no mail put up on July 4. The office will be closed, and the routes will not run, according to the announcement from Postmaster Fred A. Strange.

#### Bass Fishing Excellent During Week

Black bass fishing was good to excellent during the past week at Lake Mackenzie, with most fish being caught on top water lures and plastic worms up Tule Creek and Cope Creek. The late evening hours seemed to be the best time. Scott Lester and Glenn Maddox of Amarillo brought in nice stringers of bass weighing two to four pounds.

Tommy Platt of Canyon hooked a 9¼ pound striper while fishing in deep water in the main part of the lake. Stripers are still surfacing in the early morning and late evening hours. Trolling or casting with a shad colored lure seems to be the best.

Catfishing picked up a little this past week. Tom Martin of Lubbock landed a four pound channelcat and a five pound bluecat using cut shad and live perch.

Crappie and walleye fishing is slow.

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Mrs. Betty Nan Tiffin was pictured in the fireworks stand she and her husband, Spud, are operating for the Briscoe County Activities Association. Proceeds of the fireworks sales will be used to finance county activities.

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#### Rodeo Queen Candidates Are Being Sought Here Now

Rodeo Queen candidates are being sought for the Briscoe County Birthday Celebration which will be August 13-15 this year.

There will be two queens this year, a senior queen (unmarried), age 16-18, and a junior queen, aged 10-15.

If your organization wishes to

enter queen candidates, the entry must be made to Betty Nan Tiffin or Nancy Wood by July 15. Please include the candidate's favorite photograph of herself and a list of her accomplishments and activities. These items may be taken to the Tiffin home at 801 Main or the Joe Brannon home at 803 Braidfoot.

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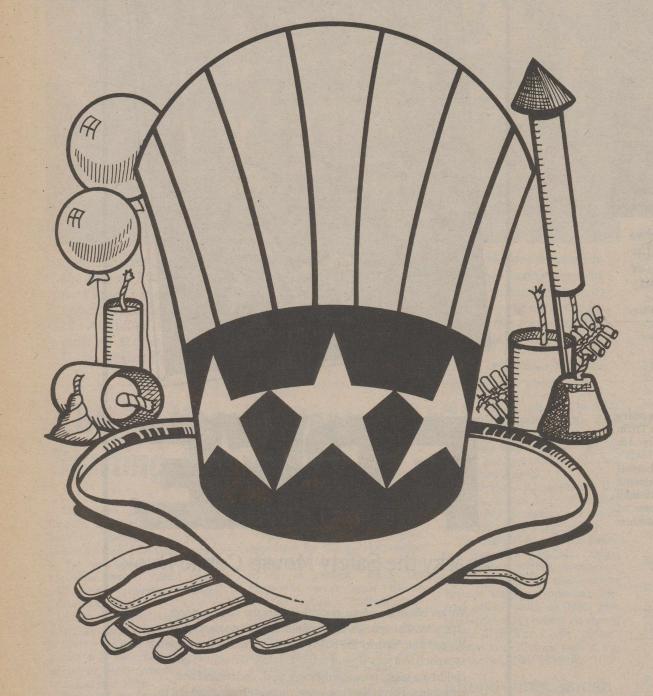


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Sybil Martin was pictured with the queen-size quilt that Ruby McWaters donated to the Briscoe County Activities Association to help defray the cost of renting the tent for shade at the Briscoe County Birthday Celebration in August. The quilt is made in beautiful shades of brown, orange, green and white. Donations are being accepted by the Activities Association, and one of those who donates will be the owner of the quilt on the last night of the rodeo. The quilt will be on display in a booth at the County Show Barn during the Fourth of July activities Saturday.

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## ARB To Hear Protests Starting July 8

Taxpayers in the Briscoe County Appraisal District will have an opportunity to protest values proposed for their property for local taxes. The district's appraisal review board (ARB) will begin hearing taxpayer protests on July 8.

After the ARB concludes its hearings and approves final property values, local governments will use these values to assess property taxes to property owners for 1987.

The ARB is a group of citizens who live in the appraisal district and are appointed by the district's directors. Their responsibilities are outlined by the Texas Constitution, which requires that property be appraised equally and uniformly and that exemptions and productive valuation are properly granted.

Property owners appear before the ARB and may protest any of these seven specific actions of the appraisal office:

\*the appraised or agricultural value of the property;

\*unequal appraisal of the taxpayer's property compared to other property in the district;

\*inclusion of the property on the appraisal records;

\*denial of a partial exemption, such as a homestead exemption;

\*denial of agricultural-use, open-space or timber productivity exemption;

\*identification of the taxing unit or units in which the property is located;

\*determination that the taxpayer is the owner of the property; and

\*any other action of the

appraisal office that adversely affects them.

Mrs. Carlye Fleming, chief appraiser for the district, outlined the steps for a property owner to file a protest. First, the property owner must file a written "notice of protest" with the ARB. This must be filed by June 30 or within 30 days after the taxpayer receives a notice of appraised value from the chief appraiser, whichever is later.

However, if the ARB sends a property owner a notice of any other kind or change in the appraisal records, the property owner has only 10 days to file a

Official forms for a notice of protest are available at the appraisal district office. "A letter from the taxpayer is also acceptable," Mrs. Fleming said, "as long as it identifies the property owner and the property which is the subject of the protest and indicates dissatisfaction with some decision or action of the appraisal office."

Each protesting taxpayer may offer evidence or argument either in person or by filing an affidavit with the ARB. Taxpayers should be aware that the ARB has no authority over tax rates or taxing unit spending and will not hear protests of those matters.

The ARB will schedule hearings as property owners file protests and will inform them of the time, date and place of their individual hearings at least 15 days before the scheduled appearance date. Mrs. Fleming said that protest hearings will be held

for one (1) day and that the ARB expects to approve the final appraisal roll soon thereafter. State law requires the ARB to review and approve the appraisal records by July 20.

After the ARB approves the records, it can hear a protest under only circumstances which affect the owner's tax liability.

The State Property Tax Board has issued a pamphlet called "Taxpayers' Rights, Remedies, Responsibilities," available at the Briscoe County Appraisal District office, which explains how to prepare and present an appeal to the ARB. For a copy, contact the appraisal district staff at the courthouse, (806) 823-2161.

#### Attend Ombudsman Task Force Meeting

Mrs. John Francis and Mrs. J. D. Nance attended the Ombudsman Task Force Training Meeting in Amarillo last week.

Mrs. Gennell York, administrator of Cold Water Manor Nursing Home in Stratford, gave an informative talk on "Making Things Work." She complimented the Ombudsman volunteers.

Mike McQueen, director of the Panhandle Area on Aging, informed the Ombudsmen of changes that had been made in the program.

Ola Kid, Ombudsman for the PRPC, reviewed the role of the Ombudsman volunteer, and showed a video on "Examinations of the Issues."

To brief the volunteer Ombudsmen on how to handle difficult situations, role plays of a number of hypothetical cases, that they might encounter, were used.

Mrs. Francis and Mrs. Nance are certified Ombudsman volunteers working with nursing homes

#### Most VA Money Goes Directly To Veterans

Most of the money expended by the Veterans Administration (VA) in Texas went directly to veterans during fiscal year 1986, according to Waco VA Regional Office Director Stephen L. Lemons.

"Of the \$1,757,553,147 expended in Texas during fiscal year 1986, more than 54 percent, or \$951,756,049, went directly to veterans as compensation for disabling injuries or diseases incurred while in the armed forces, or as pensions for wartime veterans with limited incomes," Lemons said.

He added that the VA spent \$88,826,144 for readjustment and vocational rehabilitation benefits, \$88,738,148 for insurance and indemnity payments, \$32,471,840 for facility construction, and \$595,760,966 for medical services and administrative costs in Texas.

"The Veterans Administration proudly serves those who served our country," Lemons said. "For more than half a century, the VA has been a deliverer of benefits, a pioneer in medicine, a financier in education, a guarantor of home loans, and an advocate for Texas veterans."

Estimated VA expenditures for Briscoe County veterans totalled \$111,101. This figure includes \$102,227 for compensation and pension and \$8,874 for insurance and indemnities.

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ...

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July 4—Donna Grabbe, Karena Perkins, Terry Juarez, Sybil Martin

July 5—Jared Francis, Santos Segura July 6—Todd Reagan, Wesley

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July 7—Calvin Shelton, Frank
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#### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO ...

July 2—Mr. and Mrs. Dwin Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Smith July 4—Mr. and Mrs. Gene

July 5—Mr. and Mrs. Wade Brannon, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Reed

July 7—Mr. and Mrs. John McCammon

July 8-Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Stodghill

#### New Arrival

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby McPherson of Lubbock are parents of a daughter, Tahnie Jade, born June 10 at Methodist Hospital in Lubbock. She weighed seven pounds and seven ounces.

She has a sister, Taber, who is  $2^{1/2}$  years old.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert McPherson of Silverton, Don Cornett of Dimmitt and Mrs. Glenna Cornett of Lubbock.

Great-grandparents are Mrs. Mildred Thompson of Plainview, Mr. and Mrs. Oner Cornett of Silverton and Mrs. Ova McPherson of Floydada.

#### 4-H Meeting Planned Today

There will be an important 4-H meeting Thursday, July 2 (today) at 6:30 p.m. at the County Show Barn.

#### Comings And Goings

Glenn Smith was taken to Lockney Monday to see his doctor. His shoulder is healing nicely, and he received a good report.

Mr. and Mrs. Elton Cantwell and Earl Cantwell were in Des Moines, New Mexico, last Wednesday to attend funeral services for Norman L. Burk, father of Elton and Lanita's son-in-law, Mark. Norman Burk was a long-time friend of the Cantwells. He is survived by his wife, Juanita; two other sons, Kinan and Norman Lynn, and a daughter, Brenda Campbell.

Weekend visitors of the Elton Cantwells were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gaskins and Holly Beth of Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Mark Burk, Cally and Cameron, Stinnett, and Jewel Fleming of Amarillo. On Sunday afternoon Cally Burk celebrated her fifth birthday. Those who came for the birthday celebration were Mr. and Mrs. Barry Francis, Jared, Nathan, Andrew and Caleb, Stan, Wayne, Ky and Bobby Martin and Earl Cantwell.

Brenda and Holly Beth Gaskins are remaining for a longer visit while Jack is on a field trip with his geology class at Wayland Baptist University.

## Social Security In Briscoe County

by Terry J. Clements

Millions of young people will work this summer, many for the first time. If you are one of them, there are some things you should know about Social Security.

First, you need a social security card as most work today is covered by social security. Most teenagers already have cards. If you don't have one, contact the Social Security office.

While you work in 1987, a little over seven cents from each dollar is deducted for social security taxes. Your employer matches this amount. These taxes help to finance monthly retirement, disability, survivors benefits for about 38 million Americans, as well as medicare hospital insurance for most older people and some with long-term disabilities or permanent kidney failure.

Someday benefits also may be paid to you and any dependents if you have credit for enough work covered by social security. In 1987, you earn credit for one-fourth year of work (called a "quarter of coverage") for each \$460 in earnings, up to a maximum of four credits for the year.

The Santa Claus we know today was first drawn in 1863 by cartoonist Thomas Nast.

## Spirit and Truth

by Rev. M. G. Baumgartner
P. O. Box 596
Silverton, Texas 79257

"If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved." Romans 10:9 If an individual has ever spent any time reading the Bible they know that one of the main doctrines is that of salvation. In fact, without salvation all else is useless. Man's only hope of redemption is through the shed blood of Jesus, the Son of God. Salvation is received through repentance and for faith in Jesus. Over the years many have tried to change the doctrine of salvation: some teach predestination, in other words, the belief that some are chosen to be saved while others are not. But the Bible declares, 'that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have eternal life." John 3:15 and, "the Lord is ... not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance." II Peter 3:9 Others teach eternal security; that is the belief that once you are saved, you are always saved. But once again the Bible says, "I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway." I Cor. 9:27 and, in the parable of the sower Jesus said, "they on the rock are they, which, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, which for a while believe, and in time of temptation fall away." All in all, we must remember that God loves everyone; and our salvation is dependent upon a proper relationship with the Lord, day-to-day. And I say to you, "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John

### Producers Invited To Second Insect Scouting Workshop

Cotton, corn and sorghum producers in Briscoe County are invited to the second part of the annual High Plains Scout Training Workshop to increase the effectiveness of their pest management programs.

The last of two workshop sessions will focus on mid- and late-season pests and will be held Tuesday, July 7 at the Mabee Regional Heritage Center (Llano Estacado Museum) on the Wayland Baptist University campus in Plainview, Dirk Aaron, county Extension agent, said.

The first workshop, in June, covered early to mid-season crop pests.

The workshop, conducted by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, was first held in 1973 to train scouts in the pest management programs conducted by Extension, part of the Texas A & M University system.

The workshop will begin at 8:30 a.m. with Dr. James Leser, Extension entomologist, outlining the scope of the training and explaining general concepts. Dr. Pat Morrison, Extension entomologist, will then open the corn pest section with information on Southwestern corn borers. Spider mites and other corn pests will be discussed by Allen Knutson, Extension agent-entomology, based in Dimmitt.

The cotton session will include a brief discussion of cotton growth and development and bollworms by Leser and beneficial insects by Knutson. Mark Brown, Extension agent-entomology in Crosbyton will provide information on armyworms,

#### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

Enclosed is our check for another year of the Briscoe County News. Sorry we did not notice that expiration date.

Even though we have been gone from Silverton for 30 years, we still enjoy hearing about the happenings there. We both spent almost all of the first 30 years of our lives there, having graduated from SHS in 1942. We still call Silverton HOME. We especially enjoy the "Looking Back" part and there are still Brannons living there as well as many friends.

Keep up the good work. Sincerely,

> Evelyn (Coffee) and J. W. Brannon, jr. 801 Mills Dumas, TX 79029

aphids and other cotton pests.
Morrison will discuss greenbugs
in sorghum. Greg Cronholm,
Extension agent-entomology
headquartered in Plainview, will
conclude the morning sorghum
session covering midge, headworms and panicle feeding bugs.

The daylong workshop will conclude with a field session in which participants will identify pests and beneficials and practice scouting techniques.

For more information, contact the County Extension Office at 823-2343.



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Traps baited with a synthetic sex attractant have caught over three times as many boll weevils this spring as were caught in any prior year. That's the word from Ed Dean, Field Service Director for Plains Cotton Growers, Inc., Lubbock, the organization that has conducted the High Plains Boll Weevil Control Program since its beginning in 1963.

That statistic raises a warning flag on two fronts, Dean says. "It warns those of us responsible for the program that our job this year may be a bigger job than it's

been in a long time. And it should alert producers in the control zone that individual early season control measures may be needed well before our program spraying begins.'

Target date to begin aerial application of malathion in the High Plains program is September 20, Dean notes, while it's possible, "even probable," that developing weevil populations in some fields will pose an unacceptable crop risk at a much earlier

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tions is consistent with the primary program objective of reducing to the lowest possible number weevils reaching the diapause stage required for winter hibernation, Dean explains. This strategy coupled with the normal winter survival rate of only one to 2.5 percent, he continues, has kept weevils out of the concentrated weevil-free cotton fields above the Caprock as the program is designed to do.

An added program benefit has been a delay in the development of economic weevil infestations in the control area. But officials expect the delay this year may be less effective because of higher beginning numbers.

Program officials estimate that the mild winter of 1986-87 permitted a surprising 16 percent of weevils to survive until warm weather brought them out of hibernation this spring. Because spraying within the control

zone last fall held down the number of weevils entering hibernation, the increase in trap catches this spring within the control zone was nothing like the explosion of catches in area adjacent to the zone on the east. Dean points out that per-trap catches inside the zone were 84 percent below the number trapped outside.

So program entomologists say the concern for crop damage early in the production year comes mostly from the danger of rapid population buildups outside the zone, resulting in heavy migration into less infested fields within the program area.

To guard against production losses experts are advising constant vigilance and immediate control measures when weevils are found in economically significant numbers.

"Protecting the early fruit set in cotton from boll weevils and other insects this year is going to be important," Dean concludes, "and the responsibility for that protection before mid-September rests with each individual produ-

#### **RAINS PREPARE JOHNSONGRASS** FOR TREATMENT

Abundant rains on the High Plains have contributed to the growth of Johnsongrass, always a serious problem for cotton growers. But the rains also have primed the grass for herbicide treatments, said a cotton specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

"A combination of mechanical tillage, soil and foliar applied herbicides and hand hoeings are required to effectively eliminate the weed," said Dr. James Supak, Extension cotton agrono-

"The recent rains have Johnsongrass in prime condition for treatments with herbicides, especially the Poast or Fusilade type materials that can be applied over the top of cotton," he said.

Breaking up the rhizomes and pulling them to the soil surface during chiseling and other fallwinter tillage operations helps to set the stage for an effective herbicide control program, said Supak. Desiccation and weathering will weaken or even kill exposed rhizomes.

Breaking the rhizomes up into fragments limits the amount of food reserves available for the development of new shoots. Supak said the amount of herbicide needed to kill a short root segment is less than that needed to eliminate a large, intact rhizome.

Supak warned that over-thetop applications of DSMA and MSMA on Johnsongrass may cause "burn down" and suppression of the grass.

"Such treatments can cause damage to the crop and slow its growth and development," Supak said.

Roundup applied as a spot spray, with wipe-on applicators or with recirculating sprayers provides an effective and economical means for controlling Johnsongrass once the height of the weeds exceeds that of the crop, said Supak.

"Permanent control is more likely if the grass is in the boot or early flowering stages of development," he noted. Supak warned that grass in the boot or early flowering stages is often delayed in growth because of weed competition.

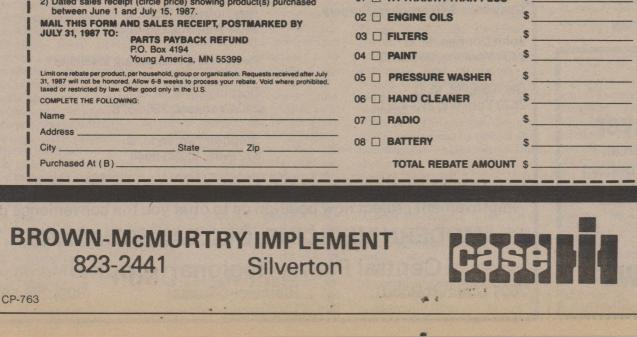
Supak said Poast and Fusilade 2000 were introduced as post-emergence herbicides that can be applied over-the-top of cotton to control annual and perennial grasses. These herbicides are applied as broadcast or spot spray treatments to control Johnsongrass in its early developmental stages, said Supak.

"A crop oil concentrate or surfactant must be used at designated rates to insure herbicide penetration into grass tissue," said Supak.

Supak warned that in some instances a second application will be needed to control escapes and late emerging plants.

People once mistakenly believed

eating carrots would aid asthma.

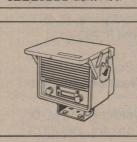




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## Be Held rman Festival To Nazareth

The 15th annual German Festival will be held on Saturday, July 11, in Nazareth, with many new

activities this year.

German Festival will get underway at 2:00 p.m. with the Gospel Singers, 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. One can take a guided tour of Holy Family Church, enjoy the German Family Histories on display in the C.C.D. building or go to the Senior Citizen Center to see the quilt display from 2:00 until 9:00 p.m. The Arts and Crafts Show will be going on in the school cafeteria. Sausage on a stick will be available from 1:00 until 3:00 p.m.

German dancers from Lubbock will be performing at 2:30 and again at 4:30 and 6:30 p.m. Fiddlers contest at 3:00 p.m. is open to anyone who would like to enter. Prizes are \$100 for first place, \$75.00 for second and \$50.00 for third place. Fourth, fifth and sixth placers will receive belt buckles.

There will be a Washer Pitching Tournament. If interested, call Joe Johnson, 806-945-2664. The Caprock Country band will play from 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. Children's activities will be held from 3:00 until 5:00 p.m. The cost per child for a hand stamp is \$1.00, and this permits the child to participate in all the activities for children up through 12 years of age.

The German Sausage Meal will be served from 4:00 until 7:00 p.m. The menu will include

German chocolate cake and apple struedel. Price is \$5.00 for adults, \$3.50 for those 12 years of age and under. Sausage will be for sale all afternoon for \$2.50 per pound. After 7:00 p.m., cooked sausage can be purchased for

sausage can be purchased for \$5.00 per pound.

Complete the day by dancing from 8:30 p.m. until 12:30 a.m. to the music of the Maines Brothers Band from Lubbock at the Community Hall. Advance tickets are \$8.00 and tickets at the door will be \$10.00.

Caprock Country will be playing for a dance at the Legion Hall. Advance tickets for this dance are \$4.00 and tickets at the door are \$5.00.

Advance tickets for both dances can be purchased from Elmer's Package Store, Richard Town Pump and Pro-Ag, Inc. Advance tickets for the dances will also be available at a booth at the German Festival on July 11, so you can make your purchase then if you wish.

During the Maines Brothers dance, there will be a drawing for prizes. Grand prize is a handmade "Lincoln Log" quilt, cuckoo clock and beer steins.

Proceeds from the day go to help retire the debt on the Community Hall.

Mrs. Rose Mary Wilhelm and Mrs. Lucille Drerup, publicity chairmen, say, "Come one, come all, come early, stay late for an

enjoyable time at the German Festival in Nazareth Saturday, July 11." For information, call 806-945-2583 or 806-945-2562.

## Conservation Corner

CONTROLLING WEEDS ON CRP LAND

Recent rains have given us perfect conditions for growing grass on Conservation Reserve Program land. Most of the grass is up and growing. However, when conditions are good for growing grass, they are also good for growing weeds.

This is not all bad. At least the grass has a good start and, with any luck at all, we will get the rains needed to keep it growing. The best time to control weeds with a herbicide is right now, when the weeds are growing rapidly. Recent applications of Ally have resulted in very good control on weeds up to about a foot tall. We have seen much better weed control since the rains than we did when the chemicals were applied early in the spring when conditions were dry. No chemical works well when we have dry conditions because the plants stop growing and taking in the chemicals.

If you have land in the CRP that is planted to grass, you must do some kind of weed control now. There are several chemicals on the market that will kill weeds, but some will kill the young grass too. The only herbicide we know of at this time that is labeled for application on the young grass seedlings is the herbicide "Ally". Other chemicals would not be applied to the small grass seedlings. These chemicals would be considered later in the summer if the grasses continue

Shredding is an alternative that should be considered if you have tall weeds that chemicals cannot control. However, shredding alone will only limit the height of the weeds. It will not affect the small weeds or keep any new ones from coming up. If you shred, we recommend you follow with any application of "Ally" if moisture conditions are good and the young weeds are actively growing. When applying "Ally" it is recommended that you increase the amount of water and surfactant. This seems to improve the control. Contact our office if you have any questions.



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Kimmie Blazier, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Rhoderick, attended the West Texas Raiders Open Horse Show held at Thomas Arena in Plainview Sunday, June 28.

Kimmie competed in the 7-10 year-old class, and received second place in both the flag race and poles, and finished third in both western pleasure and barrels.

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Thank you, dear friends, for all the nice things you have done for us since Glenn's accident. A special thanks to R. E. for helping care for Glenn.

Glenn and Winnie

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