

Cotton stripping is beginning to wind down in the Plains portion of the county, and the harvest is expected to be completed before Christmas. At Johnson's Gin, where this picture was taken, they had ginned 12,000 bales as of Tuesday morning.

Briscoe County News Photo

Range Fire Danger High Throughout West Texas

by John Crowell, SCS

The current high fire danger and rash of range fires throughout most of West Texas is threatening lives and livestock, as well as homes and other property, and exhausting local firefighters, according to John Crowell, with the Soil Conservation Service here.

"Because of the dangerous conditions," Crowell said, "we are asking all residents and visitors in Briscoe County to be extremely careful with any outside fires."

Crowell said that most fires are caused by human carelessness, but that two additional aspects are compounding the current problem.

First, the current drought conditions—called the worst since the 1950's—have turned pasture grasses into volatile fuels, and when we have day after day of low relative humidity, and gusty winds, fire danger remains very high. Also, approximately 46,000 acres of Briscoe County land are not being grazed, under the Conservation

Reserve Prograom (CRP). In fire danger terms, this means that the ungrazed grasses are taller and therefore become more fuel for potential range fires.

We all need to remember the "Big Country Fire" in March which burned 300,000 acres in Shackelford, Callahan, Haskell and Throckmorton counties, and other large fires in the Del Rio and Alpine areas.

In less than two days, the Big Country Fire, which started north of Baird, grew to have a 56-mile long fire-front. It destroyed more than \$5 million in pasture, livestock, oil field equipment and fences, but miraculously only a few structures were lost, thanks primarily to superhuman efforts and cooperation of 47 fire departments, the Texas Forest Service, the Texas National Guard and others who fought this huge fire.

It can happen in Briscoe County, Crowell warned, unless people use extreme caution with all outside fires. For instance, do not burn trash on windy days and keep an eye on the fire when you do. Keep vehicles with hot

exhaust systems away from dry grass. Remind hunters not to smoke in or drive vehicles through the tall, dry grass. Fire guards should be bladed along roads and around homes as added protection.

What should you do when a grass fire starts? Call the fire department IMMEDIATELY. Take precautions to protect people, homes, barns, equipment and fences FIRST. Do not worry about the grass; it will grow back next spring. Just try to contain the fire, if possible.

Commodities To Be Given Away Friday

Commodities will be given away Friday, December 9, at the community center building between 9:00 and 11:00 a.m., weather permitting.

Flour and butter will be given.
Please bring a sack or box to
carry your commodities in, and
plan to be there to pick yours up
as early as possible.

November Weather Was Dry and Warm

Weather across the Texas South Plains during November 1988 turned out to be dry and warm.

Temperatures averaged 1.9 degrees above normal and ranged from 4.1 degrees above normal at the Muleshoe Wildlife Refuge to 0.7 degree below normal at Dimmitt.

Maximum temperatures averaged 3.8 degrees above normal and ranged from 5.5 degrees above normal at Big Spring and Tahoka to 0.4 degree above normal at Dimmitt. The highest temperature reported during the month was 88 at Paducah on the 4th and the 10th and also at Big Spring on the 9th.

Minimum temperatures averaged exactly normal and ranged from 3.1 degrees above normal at Matador to 2.5 degrees below

normal at Spur. The lowest temperature of the month was 13 at Silverton and Muleshow on the 20th and at Spur and the Muleshoe Wildlife Refuge on the 30th

Silverton's average maximum daytime temperature was 64.7 degrees and the average overnight low temperature was 31.0, for an average temperature during November of 47.9 degrees

Precipitation averaged 0.57 of an inch below normal and ranged from exactly normal at Tulia to 0.94 inch below normal at Snyder. Most of the precipitation occurred in the form of snow on the 19th when area average snowfall amounts reached 1.4 inches. Silverton's precipitation for the month was 0.50 inch from the melt of six inches of snow.

Ten 4-H Members To Enter District Competition

Ten Briscoe County 4-H members will put their culinary skills and nutrition knowledge on the line Saturday at the South Plains District 4-H Food Show on the Texas Tech University campus in Lubbock.

Contestants from 20 South Plains counties will vie for awards in four food categories and three age divisions.

Judging will begin at 9:45 a.m. The public is invited to view the dishes and witness the presentation of awards in the University Center Ballroom at 1:30 p.m.

Valley 4-H Club members who will participate are Mac Chestnut, son of Ronnie and Cora Chestnut; Jarrett Pigg, son of Clinton and Joanie Pigg; and Clay Merrell, son of Warren Lee and Jan Merrell.

Participants from the Silverton 4-H Clover Club are Molly Brooks, daughter of Bill and Janinne Brooks; Marshall McCammon, son of John and Darrah McCammon; and Trey Wyatt, son of John and Gail Wyatt.

Silver Star 4-H Club members competing will be Ashleigh Wyatt, daughter of John and Gail Wyatt; Patrick O'Neal, son of Eldon and Lee O'Neal; and Cecilia Castillo, daughter of Joe and Mary Castillo.

Josh Brooks, son of Bill and Janinne Brooks, will represent the Caprock Clover Club in Silverton.

County Extension Agent Lynda Fogerson is chairman of this year's District Food Show.

First Anniversary To Be Celebrated

The first anniversary of Rev. and Mrs. Matthew Veals, pastor and wife of New Fellowship Church, will be celebrated in a special service scheduled to begin at 3:00 p.m. Sunday, December 11.

The sermon will be preached by a former pastor, Rev. Leon Anderson, who is pastor of Pilgrim Baptist Church in Lubbock.

Visitors have been invited from Lubbock, Quitaque, Plainview, Turkey, Dimmitt, Hart and Floydada, and an invitation is extended to everyone in Silverton to attend this special service.

Grandparents' Week at School

The week of December 12-16 is Grandparents' Week in the Silverton Schools.

You can go visit your grandchild or "adopted" grandchild to show your interest in their school work.

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OBITUARIES

ARCHIE R. CASTLEBERRY

Graveside services for Archie R. Castleberry, 87, former Silverton High School principal, were conducted at 2:00 p.m. Friday in Memorial Park Cemetery at Vega with Dr. Jordan Grooms, retired Methodist minister, officiating. Burial arrangements were made by N. S. Griggs & Sons Funeral Direct-



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Mr. Castleberry died Wednesday, November 30, in Lufkin, where he had resided for the past several years.

He was born September 9, 1901 in Denton and had lived in Amarillo for 40 years. He had been superintendent of schools at Wildorado and Vega. He later entered the insurance business.

Castleberry was graduated from West Texas State University and received a master's degree from the University of Colorado. He was a member of Million Dollar Roundtable, Presidents Club. Hall of Fame Southland Life Insurance Company, Chamber of Commerce, Vega Kiwanis Club and was a past president of Life Underwriters. He was a member of Masonic Lodge No. 754 AF&AM in Silverton, Khiva Temple and

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ELIZABETH SUE SKELTON

Funeral services for Elizabeth Sue Skelton, 63, were conducted at 10:00 a.m. Monday at Sanders Funeral Home Chapel in Lubbock with the Rev. Roland Moore, a Methodist minister from Vigo Park, officiating.

Graveside services followed at 3:00 p.m. in Rose Hill Cemetery at Tulia with arrangements made by Sanders Funeral Home.

First Presbyterian Church.

Survivors include his wife, Pauline; two daughters, Kay Beck of Spring Valley, California and Jan Pettigrew of Gozo, Malta; a stepdaughter, Nancy Riley of Lufkin; two stepsons, R. H. Hopkins, jr. and E. Murten Hopkins, both of Dallas; a sister, Jewell Reeves of Moore, Oklahoma; 12 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

The family suggested memorials to a favorite charity.

Mrs. Skelton died of an apparent heart attack at 9:20 a.m. Saturday at her residence in Lubbock while talking on the telephone to a friend.

She was born to Harold F. and Imogene Sarchet on August 17, 1925 in the Love community in Swisher County. They lived a short while in Cambridge, Ohio, and when the family returned to Swisher County they made their home in the Red Hill community. She went to the Red Hill School from the first through the eighth grade, then attended Tulia High School where she was graduated in May 1942. In September 1943, she entered nurses' training at West Texas Hospital in Lubbock under the Cadet Nurses' Training Program. She graduated in September 1946.

In thirty-eight years of nursing, she had practiced in Lubbock, Tulia, Fort Sill, Oklahoma, Plainview, Midland, Andrews, Big Spring and Albuquerque, New Mexico. She retired as 11-7 shift supervisor at Lubbock's West Texas Hospital in 1984.

She married Charles Edward Skelton in 1950. He died in 1966. She was preceded in death by

a sister, Edith Cruce, in 1985. Surviving are five brothers, Harold L. Sarchet of Fort Worth, Robert L. Sarchet of Cleburne, Donald D. Sarchet of Amarillo, Charles R. Sarchet of Silverton and Jerry W. Sarchet of Lubbock; 17 nieces and nephews and 24 great-nieces and nephews, all of whom she considered "her

Pallbearers were Robert Waco Sarchet of Cleburne; John Sarchet, Paul Sarchet, Keenan Cruce, Donald Ray Sarchet and

Ken Sarchet, all of Lubbock; Kim Sarchet of Abilene and Kerry Sarchet of Plainview.

RUTH ANN CONNER

Funeral services for Ruth Ann Conner, 41, of Quitaque were conducted at 2:30 p.m. Monday at the Quitaque Church of Christ with ministers Elmore Johnson of Lubbock, Bob Garton of Hollis, Oklahoma and Dennis Gage of Greenwood, Arkansas officiat-

Burial was in Rest Haven Cemetery, with arrangements made by Schooler-Gordon Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Conner died at 5:30 a.m. Saturday at Methodist Hospital in Lubbock following a lengthly bout with cancer.

She was born in Dallas and graduated from Texas Tech University with a bachelor's degree in education. She married Elgin Conner June 30, 1967 in Lockney. She was an active partner in Conner Insurance Agency in Quitaque and Turkey, and was a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include her husband; three daughters, Gina, Lori and Karyn, all of Quitaque; her parents, Frank and Erma Lee Duckworth of Lockney; and three brothers, Robert Duckworth of Maple Valley, Washington, Randy Duckworth of The Colony and Rick Duckworth of

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Looking Back

through the files of the Briscoe County News

December 7, 1978-James K. Griffin, husband of the former Joann Turner, has been promoted by the U.S. Forest Service to Range Conservationist and Head Fire Control Officer on the Sioux District of the Custer National Forest in Northwestern South Dakota . . . W. G. (Butch) Brannon finishing nursing school . . . Patricia K. Edwards is appointed Postmaster at South Plains . . . Very little cotton harvested during rainy weather. . Two dentists to open office in Silverton . . . Services held for Dave E. Chesshir . . . Pheasant hunting season opens Saturday. . Owlettes win second place in Kress Tournament . . . Janie Denton is post player for The University of Texas . . . Junior High teams win four trophies in Claude Tournament . . . Gaylon Youngquist to marry Leeona

December 5, 1968-Troy Burson elected president of Ex-Student Association . . . Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Don Brannon are parents of a son . . . Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Cook are parents of a red-headed baby girl . . . Mrs. Lee Deavenport buried here Tuesday . . . Mrs. Bailey Hill visited her mother, Mrs. J. H. Hamblen, in Abilene last week . . Mr. and Mrs. Lark Miller and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Miller visited Hugh Nance at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo Sunday night . . . Rev. Earl Rogers is new pastor of Assembly of God . Nadine Blalock weds Jimmy Earl

December 4, 1958-Ed Vaughan honored on 78th birthday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. French McGavock . . . New business building opening announced for Appliance and Builders Supply, a division of Jennings Supply Company . . . High school students on the honor roll were Barbara Fisch, Carolyn Garrison, Robert Hughes, Robert Rhode, Joyce Thomas, freshmen; Celene Lanham, sophomore; Marsha Monroe, junior; Susan Anderson, Diane Fogerson, seniors . . . Gay 4-H Club meets in home of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin May ... Mr. and Mrs. Bud Perkins spent the weekend in Amarillo with Mr. and Mrs. Otha Denham. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Lee Perkins . . . Bud McMinn received a back injury Saturday when he fell from a scaffold . . . Marjorie Autry, a student at Hardin-Simmons in Abilene, spent the Thanksgiving holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Autry . . . Mrs. Rusty Arnold and Mrs. Jord Hollingsworth recently attended a miscellaneous shower in the home of Mrs. W. T. Ross in Flomot, honoring Miss Gayle Deport of Amarillo, bride-elect of Max Washington of Flomot . . . Mr. and Mrs. Ray Teeple were in Lubbock last Friday for consultation with her doctor . . . Glenna Thompson spent the Thanksgiving holidays in Lubbock with June and Carol Elkins . . . Miss Vaughnell Rowell honored with shower in the home of Mrs. J. Lee Francis...

December 9, 1948—Wilma Lee

Francis, stately brunette from Silverton, placed fifth in a group of thirteen beauties at West Texas State College Christmas lights turned on Tuesday evening . . . Among those who attended the Harvest Day gathering of the Methodist Church in Plainview Tuesday were Mesdames Curtis Bingham, Glenn McWilliams, W. A. Dickerson, W. Coffee, Orville Tuner, R. M. Hill, Arnold Turner, Bailey Hill, Grady Adcock and Joe H. Smith...LaJuan Curby honored on fifth birthday . . . Mrs. Joe Brooks has been employed at the Silverton Pharmacy . . . Freddie Arnold underwent an appendectomy at the Canyon hospital Friday . . . Leroy T. Offield taken

by death in Memphis hospital . . . Miss Laverne Frizzell weds George Long. During the wedding reception, two tramps knocked at the kitchen door and were invited in and served cake and punch. After furnishing plenty of fun for the crowd, it was discovered that the tramps were Jack Strange and Carl Dean Bomar, friends of the groom . . . Dear Santa Claus, Please bring me a doctor set, a magic skin doll, and a bicycle, and a piano. I am in the third grade. Myra Mae Stovall . . . Dear Santa Claus, I am eight years old. I want a doll and a doll buggy and a baton. Please bring me fruits and candy. Your friend, Gail Mercer . . . Dear Santa

Claus, I want a doll and my little brother wants a tricycle and my little sister wants a doll. Merry Christmas. Peggy Davis... Dear Santa, I want you to bring me a doll with red hair that cries, a doll buggy, piano and dishes. Your little friend, Brenda Cornett... Dear Santa, I am a little boy just sixteen years old. I have decided that I am old enough for a little girl friend now. Please bring me a little red-headed goil. I've tried two kinds and I didn't like those so now I'm begging for another chance. Worthless Burson...

December 8, 1938—Santa will be here Saturday, December 17... The cotton gin at South Plains, owned by Thornton and Bean, burned to the ground Tuesday afternoon . . . John B. Kitchens. 48-year-old farmer-stockman, died at his home southwest of Silverton December 4, after an illness of several months . . . Bo Bryant, young son of Mr. and Mrs. Boots Bryant, was quite ill several days last week . . . A shower honoring Mrs. Clarence Anderson, formerly Miss Josephine Daniels, was given at the home of Mrs. O. T. Bundy Tuesday afternoon . . . Dear Santa Claus, Please bring me a doll, a machine and some other toys. Your little friend. Shirley Haynes . . . Dear Santa, I want a

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Owls Win Second In S-E Tournament

Silverton's Owls rolled over most of their competition in the Springlake-Earth Tournament last week until they entered the valley of the giants, and even there they made a good showing for themselves.

They defeated the Plainview Sophomores 51-31 in the first round, took New Deal 62-19 in the second, and went up against Amarillo Christian in the finals where several of the players were quite a bit over six feet tall and one kept stuffing in the points. They lost this game 61-54, but played them on very even terms in all except one quarter. They displayed their usual never-quit attitude throughout the game and outscored their opponent 27-24 in the last quarter.

The first-round game's offense was led by Kendal Minyard's 19 points and Jamie Frizzell's 12. Others contributing to the victory were Denny Hill and Brad West, eight points each; Neal Edwards, six; Bradley Brunson, five; Frank Lowrey, two.

34 PV Sophs 9 15 17 31 In the second round, Edwards led the offense with 16 points.

Minyard and Brunson caged

eight points each; Teddy Hubbard put up six; Frizzell, five; Hill, Kirk Couch and West, four points each; Joey Leal, three; Lowrey and Bryan Ramsey, two points each.

11 35 45 62 Owls New Deal 6 11 11 19 In the final round, Frizzell and

Minyard scored 14 points each, and Edwards canned 10. Brunson added five and Hill got four.

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The Owlettes also did well in the tournament, winning two of their three games which gave them the consolation trophy.

In the first round, the Owlettes lost 37-22 to Hereford JV. Penni Fogerson was the leading scorer with six points, while Keeley Burson and Traci Tomlin rang up four points each; Julie Graham caged three; Tracy Miller and Tara Nance added two points each.

Owlettes 4 12 14 22 Hereford JV 8 20 23 37

The Owlettes took a big 42-21 victory from the Springlake-Earth JV. With Traci Tomlin and Julie Graham leading the way with 12 points each, Keeley Burson added eight; Tara Nance got five; Penni Fogerson added four, and Tracy Miller caged a pair of points.

Owlettes S-E JV 6 10 12 21

Lockney battled the Owlettes down to the wire in the final game after trailing at the end of each quarter as Silverton earned a 39-37 decision. Julie Graham led the offense with 12 points, followed by Tracy Miller and Tara Nance, with nine points each. Penni Fogerson added four points; Keeley Burson, three, and Traci Tomlin, two points.

8 21 33 39 Owlettes 4 17 26 37 On Tuesday night of last week,

the Owls and Owlettes had split a pair of games with Guthrie.

The Owls roared to a big 66-48 victory behind the scoring of Minyard, with 19, and Frizzell, with 12. Hill and West contributed eight points each, Edwards got six; Brunson, five; Lowrey, four, and Hill sank one from the

15 28 46 66 Guthrie 8 20 31 48

The Owlettes dropped their match 44-37 after holding a 22-15 halftime lead. They trailed only 28-26 at the end of three quarters, but failed to outscore Guthrie in the final frame.

Julie Graham caged 12 points, while Traci Tomlin added nine and Keeley Burson rang up eight. points. Tara Nance put five points on the board, Tracy Miller

and Penni Fogerson got two points each.

Owlettes 13 15 28 44 Guthrie

The teams traveled to Petersburg Tuesday night and were scheduled to play Memphis at home Friday night, with tipoff in the girls game at 6:30 p.m. The teams will be in the Lockney Tournament the following week-

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Second Six Weeks

Twelfth Grade-Keeley Burson, Tara Nance

Eleventh Grade-Penni Fogerson, Teddy Hubbard, Tracy Tomlin, Julie Towe

Tenth Grade—John Cavitt Ninth Grade-Jeffrey Grim-

Eighth Grade-Stephen Cavitt, Aimee Francis, Justin Mc-Fall, Dusty Martin, Melissa Woods

Seventh Grade-Kami Martin, Christa Tucker, Ashleigh Wyatt Sixth Grade—Rosie Segura

Fifth Grade-Vanessa Martin, Shannon Weaver

Fourth Grade-Marshall Mc-Cammon

Third Grade-Molly Brooks, Kenzie Burson, Shauna Kingery, Michael Reagan, Windy Wood

Second Grade-Julie Browning, Lorn Estes, Lindsey Jennings, Matthew Martin

First Grade - Lacey Shely, Laura McCammon

Junior High Owls Rolling Along In Win Streak

Silverton's Junior High Owls added Lakeview to their string of victories Monday night, earning a 33-20 decision. Casey Frizzell led the offense by scoring 14 points. Frank Ramirez, jr. caged six points, Wil T Bomar put up four and Stoney Hubbard scored three points. Stephen Cavitt, Lance Smith and Lance Bradford added two points each.

Owls 12 18 26 33 4 11 15 20 Lakeview

The Owlettes dropped their game to Lakeview, 36-20, after having led early in the game. Kami Martin rang up six points for the Owlettes, while Aimee Francis and Christy Nease added five points each. Christa Tucker and Ashleigh Wyatt scored a pair of points each.

Owlettes 9 11 17 20 Lakeview 2 18 25 36

The teams are scheduled to host Hedley in their next game, which is January 5.

Boy Scout News

Next week's meeting will be at the Scout Hut at 4:00 p.m. Monday. From 4:00 until 4:30, we will be working on First Aid; 4:30 to 4:50, we will be making fire starters for next spring's camping trips; 4:50 to 5:00 there will be refreshments and clean-

Our Christmas wreaths will be in this week. These are real nice wreaths made from fresh evergreen with a big red velvet bow and three white pine cones. They make good door wreaths or wreaths for fireplace mantle. They sell for \$12.00—not bad for

PTA Members Attend Texas Convention

Kathy Kingery and Beverly Minyard, Silverton PTA, were among the 3,000 PTA members and guests who attended the 79th annual Texas PTA Convention November 18-20 in Arling-

State President Kathryn Whitfill, Pasadena, presided at the four general sessions in which delegates from 2,500 local PTAs (representing 800,000 members) participated.

Featuring the theme, "Baseball, Hot Dogs, Apple Pie & PTA," the meetings and workshops were held at the Arlington Convention Center and the Sheraton CentrePark Hotel. PTAers conducted their organization's annual business meeting, voted on a legislative position, adopted resolutions, and elected five new officers to the executive board.

Some 60 workshops, which included such topics as AIDS education, parenting, leadership, at risk children, drug/alcohol abuse prevention, and educational trends were provided for the delegates. In addition, delegates visited numerous exhibit booths and displays which displayed a wide range of commercial and nonprofit educational materials, equipment and publications.

Girl Scouts Collect Recyclable Aluminum

Sunday, December 4, the Silverton Girl Scout Troops went door-to-door collecting recyclable aluminum to help save the Battleship Texas. Saturday, December 10, the Girl Scouts will be taking the recyclable aluminum to the Caprock Girl Scout Service Center in Lubbock.

Silverton Girl Scouts would like to thank each of you who gave the recyclable aluminum and also Fred Hill and Rick Hester for the use of their pickups to haul the girls and the recyclable aluminum. If we missed collecting from you, we are sorry. You can still give by calling a Girl Scout or a leader.

Those taking part were Kara Kingery, Shauna Kingery, Staci Hill, Windy Wood, Misty Edwards, Heather Rice, Holly Tiffin, Heidi Tiffin, Katy Hester, Carrie Baird, Christina Stephens, Bena Hester and Lois, Richie and Will Hill.

Travis McMinn spent the weekend with his daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Richie Hubbard, in Lubbock.

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fresh greenery. They are 22 inches in diameter. If you would like to see one, see a Scout or call me at 823-2297.

We are still collecting canned food for the Salvation Army. Our deadline is December 15.

This week, we will be working a few streets and will work a few next week. Your help is apprecia-

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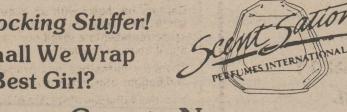
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*Opium	\$170	\$35	\$21	
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*Poison	\$150	\$35	\$21	
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HOLIDAY GIFTS—SURE TO PLEASE

Holiday gifts, party ideas, family get-togethers. Need something quick for that last minute party or for that special person on your list? Let these sweet loving recipes featuring California pistachios express your yuletide spirit.

With the abundance of sweets during the holidays, it is satisfying to know that these special treats prepared with California pistachios have an extra nutritional bonus too.

California pistachios are an excellent source of essential nutrients, fiber and protein. What's more, pistachios are low in saturated fat and are cholesterol free. What better gift for your neighbors and friends than a healthy supply of California pistachios for their very own? A glass jar or tin tied with a ribbon and filled with pistachios is always an appreciated gift.

Here are a few more suggestions for your holiday list.

Pistachio Brittle 1 cup shelled, natural California pistachios

1 cup sugar 1/2 cup butter or

margarine, melted 2 tablespoon water

1 tablespoon light corn syrup 1/8 teaspoon lemon

extract or vanilla Place pistachios on baking sheet; bake at 300 degrees F. to keep warm while preparing candy. Combine sugar, butter, water and corn syrup. Cook, without stirring, to soft crack stage (275°F.) on candy thermometer. Add lemon ex-

on to foil-lined baking sheet. Cool. Break into servingsized pieces. Makes approximately 36

tract and pistachios. Pour

California Pistachio **Chocolate Brittle** (Microwave Method *)

1 cup sugar 1/2 cup light corn syrup

1 cup shelled natural California pistachios 2 tablespoons butter

or margarine 1 teaspoon brandy

or vanila flavoring 1/2 teaspoon baking soda

1 package (6 oz.) chocolate chips

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purse for Christmas and some candy and apples and pecans. Also bring me a ring. Betty Lou Olive . . . Dear Santa, Please bring me a football and a tricycle and a B-B gun. Also some candy and nuts. Your friend, Walter Bean . . . Dear Santa Claus, I have been a good little boy and I hope to stay that way, and I thought I would write and tell you what I wanted for Christmas. I want an air gun. Some of the other children have been very nice too. Most of all I want you to bring me some candy and an apple and an orange. Yours truly, Archie Ray Martin . . . Dear Santa Claus, I want you to bring me a football suit. Please bring my brother a little train, a ball and a color book. Also I want some candy, nuts and fruit. Yours truly, L. B. Garvin . . .



Combine sugar and corn syrup in 2-quart microwave-safe measuring cup. Microcook at HIGH 4 minutes. Stir; microcook at HIGH an additional 4 minutes. Stir in pistachios; mix in butter and brandy flavoring. Microcook at HIGH 1 minute longer; remove from microwave oven. Stir in baking soda. Spread on aluminum foil-covered cookie sheet. Sprinkle chocolate chips over hot candy and allow to stand for 3 minutes. Spread melted chocolate over candy with knife. Refrigerate until firm. Break into pieces.

Makes about 1 pound.

Recipe developed for 600 to 700 watt microwave

> California Pistachio Popcorn

2 quarts popped popcorn 1/2 cup butter or

margarine 3/4 cup packed brown sugar

1/4 cup light corn syrup 1/4 teaspoon salt

2 teaspoons vanilla 1/4 teaspoon soda

1 cup shelled natural California pistachios

Keep popcorn warm in 250 degree F. oven while preparing coating. Melt butter in large saucepan; stir in sugar, corn syrup and salt. Bring to boil; stir constantly. Reduce heat to medium; boil without stir-

250 degrees F. 1 hour, stirring every 15 minutes. Remove from oven; cool. Break into serving-size pieces. Store in tightly covered container. Makes 2 quarts.

Pistachio Pralines

2 cups sugar

1 cup each packed brown sugar and half-and-half

1 cup shelled, natural California pistachios

Combine sugars and halfand-half in heavy 3-quart saucepan. Cook over low heat until sugar is dissolved; stir constantly. Bring to boil over medium-high heat. Boil gently to 236 degrees F. or until a little mixture forms a soft ball in cold water; stir often. Remove from heat. Add pistachios. Stir just until nuts are coated and mixture becomes lighter, immediately drop from a spoon on to buttered cookie sheets into patties about 3-inches in diameter. If mixture becomes too stiff to drop, stir in 1 or 2 teaspoons hot water. Let pralines stand until firm.

Makes 20 pralines.

ring 5 minutes. Remove from heat; quickly stir in vanilla and soda. Place popcorn in large, heat-proof bowl; slowly pour syrup over popcorn while stirring. Add pistachios; mix thoroughly. Turn into greased 15-1/4 x 10-1/4 x 3/4inch baking pan; bake at

if your home caulking and weatherstripping isn't doing its "Caulking and weatherstrip-

ping don't last forever, yet homeowners often assume they do," said housing expert Dr. Susan Quiring of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

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Heating Costs

'Settling that causes doors or windows to shift slightly or inexpensive caulking that has lost its bond are just two causes of air infiltration," she said.

Dr. Quiring advises homeowners to inspect all caulking and weatherstripping annually.

The exterior areas of a house most likely to require periodic caulking include around the chimney flashing, door frames, inside corners formed by siding, joints between chimney and siding, joints between masonry or concrete parts and the main part of the house, and all window

According to the specialist, the least expensive oil-base caulking lasts only about one to two years. Acrylic latex caulk, designed primarily for interior use with latex paints, lasts about five to seven years.

Butyl rubber is more expensive than oil-base caulking but also lasts seven to ten years. Silicone caulking compounds re the most expensive, but when properly applied will give top

performance for up to twenty

"There are many types of caulking compounds on the market. Since each type has been designed for a specific purpose, it's important to get the right kind for your home maintenance job," Dr. Quiring said.

Weatherstripping around all doors and any wood casement windows also merits inspection.

"Pliable gaskets of vinyl or rubber can become rigid over time and the felt gaskets may compress or deteriorate so that the seal is ineffective," said the specialist.

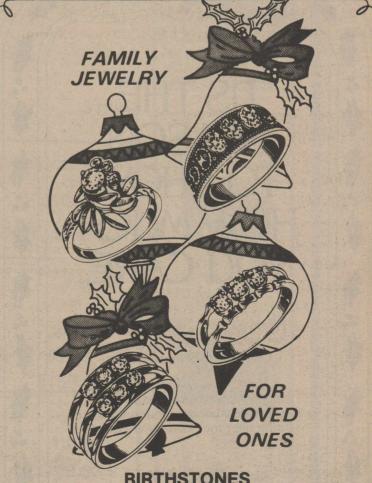
The weatherstripping made of metal and applied with screws or nails will be the longest lasting.

Dr. Quiring said homeowners often have weatherstripping around the sides of a door but neglect the bottom. Special threshold weatherstripping kits are available at most home improvement stores.

When inspecting for adequate weatherstripping, Dr. Quiring cautions homeowners not to neglect interior doors between heated and unheated spaces.

"If you have a door leading to an attached garage, the weatherstripping needs to be every bit as good as that on outside doors. Weatherstripping the ceiling trap door leading to the attic will also help cut down on heat exchange," she said.

Caulking and weatherstripping are two of the least expensive home energy-savers available. Typically, the cost of installing them will be paid back in energy savings within a year.



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Hughes to Receive Doctor Of Ministry Degree Dec. 16

Randy Hughes has completed the study and requirements for his doctor of ministry degree and will receive his diploma Friday, December 16, from the Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Berton Hughes, he was salutatorian of his graduating class from Silverton High School in 1967. While attending Wayland Baptist College, he met and married the

former Judy Rucker of Amarillo.

Hughes was in Lockney as minister of youth for 11/2 years before he and his wife moved to Amarillo where he was assistant pastor and head of the bus ministry for the Pleasant Valley Baptist Church in 1972. While there, he received his bachelor of arts degree in religion from Wayland and was ordained as a minister by Dr. Neil Record. He was pastor of Sanford Baptist





RANDY HUGHES

Church until 1975 when he and his family moved to Fort Worth to continue his studies at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He received his master of divinity degree in 1979 while pastoring the Northside Baptist Church in Mineral Wells. He pastored the First Baptist Church in Roscoe for 71/2 years.

Hughes and his family now live in Waco where he is pastor of Emmanuel Baptist Church. They have two children, Amy Lynne, who is 15, and Matthew Allen, who is 13.

Senior Boosters Taking Orders For Christmas

Senior Boosters are taking

orders for Christmas baking.

If you want to order any baked good, call 823-2082, 823-2210, 823-2284 or see any parent of a

Cliff and Sandy Walker and boys of Dallas and Sandy's mother, Alma Quittman of Pennsylvania, Cindy and Jon-Mac Edwards of Hereford spent Thanksgiving here with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mack Walker.

ACS Unit Met In Quitaque Last Week

The American Cancer Society's Briscoe County unit met at 4:00 p.m. Wednesday, November 30, in the Community Room at First National Bank in Quitaque. President Delene Tyler welcomed and introduced those

Minutes were read and approved, and Melinda Martinez, Robyn Lane, Mary Miller, Sue Proctor and Helen Patrick were added to the secretary's list of board members.

During committee reports, it was announced that Turkey treasurer Cindy Lane had transmitted about \$250.00, representing the proceeds of the Spook House project, and had retained \$3.00 in the bank. Quitaque treasurer Stachia Washington reported a balance of \$15.00 in the bank. Silverton treasurer Beverly Minyard reported having transmitted \$100.00, representing \$50.00 from memorials and \$50.00 from the Send a Mouse to College project, and had retained \$10.00 in the bank.

Youth Public Education Chairman Margie Pinkerton reported on films she has shown and has ordered for showing. In addition to attending a workshop at the service center recently, she had directed a contest between first and sixth grade students in the Silverton School on drug, alcohol and smoking prevention. Some students had colored pictures for the school cafeteria in support of the Great American Smokeout. Silverton students wore "Kiss Me, I Don't Smoke" stickers in support of the Smokeout.

Mrs. Tyler reported distributing "Kiss Me, I Don't Smoke" stickers at the Valley School and also distributing "Adopt a Friend" packets.

The Cancer Crusade was discussed, and it was announced that Quitaque and Turkey chapters are planning to conduct their crusades in January if material arrives in time. The Silverton crusade will be conducted at the discretion of Patsy Towe.

Patient services and information were discussed by Melissa Null, ACS field representative from Amarillo.

Mrs. Tyler reported that Memorials envelopes had been placed in Turkey's November bank statements, and that envelopes would be placed soon in the Silverton and Quitaque bank statements. She also showed the unit's Certificate of Authorization, and asked if Tuesday, December 13, would be satisfactory for a Christmas covered dish suppper and get-acquainted party. This was discussed and arrangements were left up to the President.

Mrs. Pinkerton inquired about the Breast Self Examination film and told the group she is planning to have a BSE home group meeting in addition to showing the film.

Mrs. Tyler told about charitable contributions that are made by companies when certain credit cards are used. It costs the card holder nothing, but a ballot has to be sent in to the company telling which charity is to receive the 7c per transaction donation. It is hoped that card holders will designate the American Cancer

The next meeting was tentatively set for Thursday, February 16, 1989 at 5:00 p.m. in the Community Room at First National Bank in Quitaque.

Judy Barrett closed the meet-

ing with prayer.

Attending were Ms. Null, Delene Tyler, Ruth Anderson, Judy Barrett, Beverly Minyard, Stachia Washington, Bill Griffin, Margie Pinkerton and Mary Ann

Santa Letters Needed For Christmas Paper

It's time for the kids to be writing their letters to Santa, and the Briscoe County News would like to publish as many Santa letters as possible in the Christmas edition this year.

Through a special arrangement with the North Pole, Santa has agreed to have the children mail their letters to Box 130, Silverton, Texas 79257, and the letters will be forwarded to Santa in plenty of time for him to letters must be received by the Briscoe County News not later than Monday, December 19.



The average American, the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture reports, consumes some 95 pounds of refined sugar a



LINES FROM N D

Lynda Fogerson **Briscoe County Extension Agent**

HOLIDAY STRESS

When you hear the countdown of days 'til Christmas, do you panic and say, "I'll never make it?" I've been known to feel the same stress that millions of Americans experience during the holiday season.

Can we control this feeling of being overwhelmed by holiday demands? Yes, but it takes effort and a commitment to make changes in the way we've always done things.

Some stressors we can control

(1) Holiday obligations. Family traditions, though special, can also create a feeling of pressure to observe certain rituals which you may no longer enjoy or have time for. With more women in the work force, it becomes increasingly difficult to continue holiday activities while juggling demands of a job outside the home. Even if you are now employed, you may no longer get the same satisfaction from some of the traditions that you once did.

Take a look at some of the tasks to see if you could eliminate some and still enjoy the season. Make a donation to the Christmas Greeting Page instead of sending Christmas cards, then drop a card only to special out-of-town friends or relatives.

By eliminating some of the baking of cakes, pies, cookies and candies, you would reduce time and money spent as well as several thousand calories. Many families equate food with love, yet you will show more love by considering the health of your family and providing more nutritious foods.

Say "no" to others' expectations for your time if you feel the demand will increase your stress level and make your enjoyment of the holidays less.

(2) Overspending. If the cost of Christmas giving will put your family in a financial bind, make some decisions with family members about how to reduce these demands. Consider eliminating some adult gifts and only giving to children. Don't allow your feelings of guilt to cause you to buy everything your children ask for. Gifts you make can be more special than those you buy, but these will also cause a demand on your time. Feelings of guilt and a need to "buy love" can result in excess spending.

Next week: More Holiday Stressors.



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Engagement Is Being Announced

Mrs. Pearl Hooten announces the engagement and approaching marriage of her daughter, Tina Janice, to Staff Sergeant Daniel Cocks. The couple will be married December 24 in Huntington, England.

The prospective bridegroom is the son of Retired Colonel and Mrs. Richard Cocks of Maggie Valley, North Carolina, and is

currently stationed in Alconbury, England until 1990 with the United States Air Force.

The bride-elect is currently employed in the office of Steve Jones, M. D. in Tulia as an LVN. She is a graduate of Meadow High School and of South Plains College where she received her nurse's training.

The couple will make their home in Alconbury, England following their honeymoon.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ...

December 8-Norby Garcia, LaJuan Eddleman

December 10-Manuel Aguilar, Fay Perkins, Tim Mattheus, Tisa Whitfill

December 11-Kori Baird, **Dock Wallace**

December 12-Dora Storie,

Tom Burson

December 13-Lupe Aguilar, Mary Melendez, Jason Turner

December 14-J. L. West, Gabriel Patino, Zoe Steele

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO ...

December 8-Mr. and Mrs. Guinn Fitzgerald

December 11-Mr. and Mrs. Jack Estes

December 12-Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Martin

December 14-Mr. and Mrs. George Seaney

Mrs. Ollie McMinn spent the weekend with her sister-in-law, Ollie Dorman, in Hale Center. They attended church together Sunday at the First Baptist

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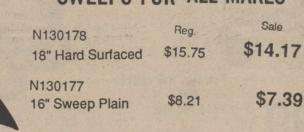
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Beefmaster Had Booth at Farm-Ranch Show Last Week

The Panhandle-New Mexico Beefmaster Breeders participated in the three-day Amarillo Farm & Ranch Show last week by providing a booth supplying information about their purebred cattle.

In addition to manning one of the 455 booths in the Farm & Ranch Show, a business meeting was held to discuss a Spring Seminar and the Cattle Sale that is scheduled for April 1, 1989 at the Amarillo Auction Company.

Other business included the election of a new Director and a slate of officers for 1989. Faye Rampley was elected to a three-year term as PNMBB Director. Officers elected for 1989 were Charles Duree, III of Solano, New Mexico, president; John Schott, vice-president; Faye

Rampley, secretary-treasurer.

The organization is a satellite of Foundation Beefmaster Breeders based in Denver, Colorado, and has members in New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas. Local members are Bryan and Lisa Schott, John and LaQuetta Schott, O. C. and Faye Rampley, Greg and Susan Ramsey.



Cargo floating on the water from a sinking ship is called flotsam, while the debris washed ashore is called wreck

Project to Aid Rural Revitalization Efforts

The Texas Agricultural Extension Service in partnership with the Texas Bankers Association is launching a three-year economic "self-help" project to help revitalize rural communities.

The project is supported by a \$300,000 grant from the W. K. Kellogg Foundation of Battle Creek, Michigan. It is aimed at helping rural communities with policy options and strategies for adjusting to poor economic conditions brought on by the depressed energy and agricultural industries.

"Many of our Texas communities have undergone severe economic stress in recent years, and there is major concern about their long-term growth and, in some cases, survival," said Dr. Ron Knutson, an economist in marketing and policy with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. "Yet these communities can offer economic opportunity and an attractive quality of life for Texans.

"That's why we want to look at various government policies and programs that can play a key role in helping rural communities adjust to their future role and realize their potential," said Dr. Knutson, who is coordinating the project along with Dr. Dennis Fisher, an Extension Service economist in business development

"Various levels of government have a role in helping rural communities adjust to change, and we will be examining those roles and the consequences of various policy options. We will also be identifying policy and program needs as well as specific community problems that should be addressed," Dr. Knutson said.

He said that while past development programs have focused mainly on urban areas, there has been relatively little study on rural development policy options.

"We will be preparing a handbook of policy 'tools' to explain and evaluate the policy initiatives that might be pursued by rural communities," Dr. Knutson said. "In addition, we will be developing a planning and analysis framework to help rural community leaders with their decision-making."

The W. K. Kellogg Foundation, established in 1930 to "help people help themselves," has distributed more than \$1 billion in support of programs in agriculture, education and health. Areas of emphasis within those broad fields include adult continuing education; community-based, problem-focused health services; a wholesome food supply; and broadening leadership capacity of individuals.

The Foundation is among the largest private philanthropic organizations in the world, supporting programs in the United States, Latin America, the Caribbean, and southern African countries.

4-H Livestock Feeders Completing Major Show Entries

All 4-H livestock feeders were to attend a meeting Wednesday, December 7, at 8:00 p.m. in the Pioneer Room of First State Bank in Silverton. All entries into major stock shows were to be completed at that time. New rules at the shows also were to have been discussed.

The Briscoe County Stock Show Committee will meet today (Thursday, December 8) at 7:30 p.m. in the Pioneer Room at First State Bank in Silverton. All members are encouraged to

Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor,

I'm sending payment for one year for Mr. R. E. Brookshier. His new address is 5027 Yearly Drive N. E., Olympia, Washington 98506.

He would also like to put this in the paper: He wishes everyone in Silverton a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

Mr. Brookshier still gets around by himself and reads all he can. He enjoys the B. C. N. This way, he can keep up with what's happening back home.

He is looking forward to his youth 102nd birthday.

Thank you all and a merry Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Thompson

The kangaroo cannot jump if its tail is lifted off the ground, it needs its tail for pushing off.



Warm, Dry Weather Highlights Fall Season

Weather across the Texas South Plains during the fall season months of September, October and November 1988 turned out to be drier and warmer than normal.

Temperatures averaged 0.4 degree above normal and ranged from 2.4 degrees above normal at the Muleshoe Wildlife Refuge to 1.2 degrees below normal at Muleshoe.

Maximum temperatures averaged 1.3 degrees above normal and ranged from 3.3 degrees above normal at the Muleshoe Wildlife Refuge to 0.8 degree below normal at Dimmitt. The highest temperature of the season was 97 at Matador on September 10th.

Minimum temperatures averaged 0.3 degrees below normal and ranged from 2.6 degrees below normal at Muleshoe to 1.5 degrees above normal at the Muleshoe Wildlife Refuge. The lowest temperature of the season was 13 at Silverton and Muleshoe on November 20th and at Spur and the Muleshoe Wildlife Refuge on November 30th.

Fall season temperature in Silverton averaged 58.3 degrees, with the average overnight low being 43.3 degrees and the average daytime high being 73.2 degrees.

Precipitation was almost total-

ly confined to the month of September, averaging nearly two inches above normal for the area. But the dry October and November months resulted in the seasonal totals being 0.66 inch below normal for the area average. The range was from 2.96 inches above normal at Big Spring to three inches below normal at Abernathy. Average area snowfall of 1.4 inches occurred mainly on November 19th.

Silverton's fall season precipitation amounted to 4.50 inches, with 0.50 of this being the melt from a six-inch snow.



The first bowling tournament for women was held in St. Louis, Missouri in 1917.



Carry an open-ended eyeglass case in your purse to store pens, pencils, fingernail files, small scissors.

Check Safety To Make The Holidays Bright Before hanging strings of lights, spread them on the floor and check for frayed or bare wires, cracked insulation, loose connections, and damaged plugs or light sockets. Check extension cords for wear or damage and don't run them across walking areas. Test lights before putting them on the tree. Unplug them before making repairs or replacing bulbs. Overloading circuits with too many lights can cause fire. Follow manufacturer's instructions about the number of lights allowed on one circuit Choose a fresh, green tree, trim its base and keep it in plenty of water. If the needles are brown and break off easily, it could be a fire risk. If you buy an artificial tree, make sure it has been tested for flammability by Underwriters Laboratories (UL). Place your tree away from the fireplace or other heat sources and out of the traffic pattern. Never string lights on a metallic tree. Light strings with damaged insulation can electrically charge a metallic tree. Instead, shine unattached colored floodlights or spotlights on the tree. Always turn off lights before leaving home or going to bed. You'll save money and be safer, too. Never use lighted candles on a tree or near evergreens. And don't burn evergreens in the fireplace. Do not use inside lights on the outside. All outside lighting equipment, including lights, cords and plugs, should be waterproof and made for outdoor use. Also, hang sockets downward and don't leave a socket empty. When hanging lights on the rooftop or in tall trees outdoors, stay clear of electrical lines. Make sure you or your decorations don't come Should you receive a CB radio or television this Christmas, let a qualified serviceman install the CB base unit or television antenna for you. This delicate job is best left to the Be sure electrical toys are tested for safety. Look for the UL mark. Wishing You A Safe, Happy Holiday SOUTHWESTERN PUBLIC SERVICE

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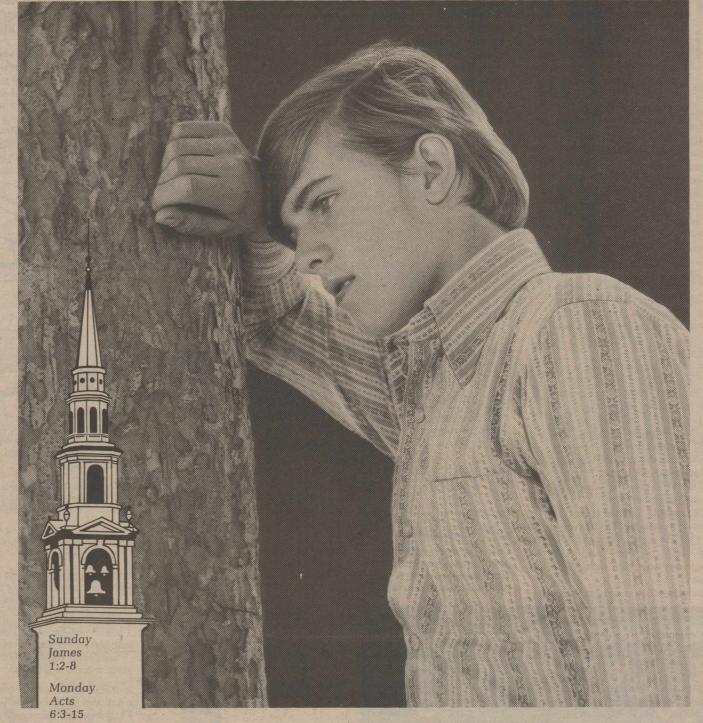
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Being a teen-ager can be torture . . . a lot of the time. And the early twenties don't flatten out that smoothly. There's a desperate loneliness about having problems your kid-brother hasn't encountered and your parents must have forgotten.

The loneliness is worst if your folks gave you nothing to believe in — or if they turned you off when they tried to share their convictions with you.

No one has to stay away from God. Many a young searcher has found his faith, found himself, and found his family in his quest for spiritual certainties.

Sunday morning there's more to do than lean on a tree.

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Updated figures from the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) necessitate a new look at the prospective 1988 cotton deficiency payment, say officials of Plains Cotton Growers, Inc., Lubbock. The size of the payment will equal the difference between the 75.9-cent target price and the 1988 calendar year weighted average farm price for cotton.

Based on preliminary average prices and marketing figures reported through September, PCG and other observers a few weeks ago were estimating that the payment total for the year likely would fall in the 21 to 22-cent range.

But revised numbers for the last seven months of the 1987-88 marketing year, plus the average price released November 30 for the full month of October "now make us wonder if we weren't guessing a little high," says PCG **Executive Vice President Donald** Johnson.

Revisions in the January-July period showed average price increases for all months except May and a cumulative increase in marketings of 147,000 bales. The net effect raised the weighted average price for the nine months through September to 57.7 cents, up from the previously calculated 57.3 cents. Volume through September totaled 4,757,000 bales.

The revisions are made after the end of each marketing year to incorporate data received from individual states after monthly reporting dates and to reflect follow-up payments to producer members of marketing cooperatives.

More surprising was the 53.9cent average price reported for October. That was up over two cents from 51.8 cents in September and almost four cents above the 50-cent mid-October price published earlier.

Marketing volume for October came to 1,630,000 bales, of which trade data indicates only 200,000 bales or so would have been the lower priced cotton from West Texas and Oklahoma. So the unexpected average price jump, PCG thinks, may have been the result of an abnormally heavy influence on the average by far western cotton, much of it being delivered on forward contracts at prices well above the current market.

"If that is true," Johnson surmises, "the November and December average price could drop back toward the 51 or 52 cents expected earlier."

If not, and the average price for the final two months of the year remains at 53.9 cents, PCG figures the average price for the year would be just under 56 cents, yielding a total deficiency payment of about 20 cents per pound. Since the advance this year was 6.4 cents, the remaining payment would be about 13.6

> SOCIAL SECURITY IN **BRISCOE COUNTY**

by Terry J. Clements

Are you in financial need and age 65 or older? Maybe you are eligible for monthly supplemental security income (SSI) payments. This is a federal program that makes cash payments to persons in financial need who are aged, blind or disabled.

If you are a blind person whose vision is less than 20/200 with the use of correcting lens in the better eye, or you have tunnel vision of 20 degrees or less, you would apply for SSI payments if you don't own much or have much income. There is no minimum or maximum age limit for blind or disabled people.

If you are unable to engage in substantial gainful activity because of a physical or mental impairment that can be expected to last at least 12 months, or can result in death, you should apply for SSI payments. This program makes monthly payments to disabled persons regardless of age. A child under age 18 is

eligible if he or she suffers from an impairment comparable to one which would prevent an adult from engaging in substantial gainful activity.

SSI is administered by the Social Security Administration and is financed from the general funds of the U.S. Treasury, not from the Social Security or Medicare trust funds. Applications for SSI are handled by Social Security offices.

There are rules to know if a person or a couple is in "financial need." For example, an eligible individual or couple cannot have countable income in excess of the maximum SSI payment for individuals or couples. In 1988, the payment for an individual is \$354 a month, and for a couple, \$532.

Some might get less than the maximum if they have income from other sources, and some might get more if their states add money to the federal payment.

We consider as income a Social Security check, any salary, pensions, or any money received, as well as housing, clothes, and food paid by another person in your behalf. If you are a single person and your income is less than \$354 a month, or if you are married and your income is less than \$532 a month, some SSI money may be paid.

In addition to the income limitation, an individual cannot have resources in excess of \$1,900 and a couple cannot have resources of more than \$2,850. These limits rise to \$2,000 for an individual and \$3,000 for a couple in 1989. Resources are mainly savings and checking accounts, bonds, stocks, life insurance, a car in certain situations, real and

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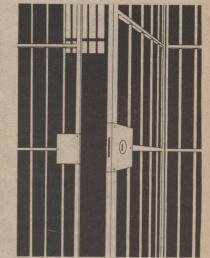
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