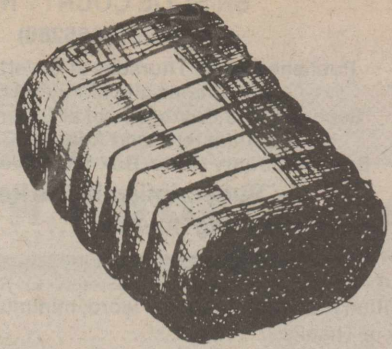




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All Around
 The Town



BY MARY ANN SARCHET

Garbage, Trash Problems Discussed at Council Meeting

If you haven't been to the Community Bazaar in Silverton, you really should go in and look around. There are some really neat things, made by local craftsmen of all ages, and a few antique items being offered for sale there.

It's located in the Nance's building on the west side of the courthouse square at the intersection of Highway 86 and Main Street.

Even if it weren't for the homemade ice cream that is offered there on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays during the summer months, it's a delightful experience.

Better stop in soon; bet you'll find something you want to take home with you!

The boys and girls in grades K-6 who are playing summer baseball are having a lot of fun in Silverton on Monday and Thursday nights. The K-1 teams play at 6:00 p.m., followed by the 2-3 teams at 7:00 and the 4-5-6 teams at 8:00. There are two teams in each division, and teams and coaches are drawn before each game. There have been some really close and exciting games, and a few nights ago one of the players caught a fly, putting the batter out, stepped on second base to put out the runner who had advanced from there, threw the ball to first base, putting out the player who had advanced from that base, for a bonafide triple play. It really is fun to see them make quick and correct decisions and act to carry them out. All are learning a lot more about the game, and it is surprising what even the kindergarten boys and girls can do. They won't get any shirts or trophies this year because the organization has no money. No scores are kept, so they are playing just for fun. Their season will end next week.

The Boy Scouts are operating a concession stand to supply cold drinks and snacks. If you want an evening of entertainment, drive by the ballpark and cheer for these kids. They are a good bunch of kids and they are growing up ever so fast.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Winston Hamilton Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Hamilton of Spearman, Wayne Hamilton of Tulia, and Winston's great-grandson, Casey Craig of Houston.

Silverton's City Council met Monday, June 12, with all members present and County Commissioner Aaron Younger, and discussed the City's garbage and trash problems and the proposed closing of the City-County dumpground facility. The Council agreed that the September 1 closing date of the dumpground would have to be kept.

City Secretary Jerry Patton presented information on hauling the City's solid waste to the City of Tulia's landfill. The cost would be \$15.00 per ton and would be the most economical way to dispose of the City's solid waste. Motion was made by John Bowman, seconded by Flute Hutsell, to begin hauling the City's solid waste to the Tulia landfill as soon as arrangements with the City of Tulia can be made, and for the City to discontinue and close the City-County dumpground facility August 1, 1989. Motion carried.

The Council and Commissioner Younger discussed County residents' solid waste disposal prob-

lems and their use of the present dumpground and the effect of closing the facility. No solution to this problem was found. Younger stated that the Commissioners' Court would work on the problem and try to find a solution by August 1.

The Council discussed the City Marshal and his recent health problems, and requested a doctor's medical report be sent to the City.

The following bids on the City water project were opened on June 5. Bids were received from Logan Construction, \$193,570.00; Novack Construction, \$183,-

615.00; H. B. Jorden, \$232,500.60; L. A. Fuller & Company, \$189,933.00; Utility Contractors, \$198,500.00, and Rhode Construction Company, \$159,921.50.

The Council set June 14 at 7:00 p.m. as the time and date to award the contract for the project.

A tax collection report was presented and discussed, and the Council noted that the City's 1989 estimated taxable value was \$14,273,737.00.

The Council approved Doug Bradford to attend the Texas Firemen's Training School July 23-28, 1989.

The Council discussed the 9-1-1 emergency telephone service for the City and the Panhandle. A joint meeting of the elected officials of the County will be held to explain the system design.

The Council discussed the Briscoe County jail and the lease agreement between the City and County. A motion was made by Bowman, seconded by Hutsell, to terminate the March 8, 1982 jail-lease agreement effective

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Briscoe County Task Force is Organized

Interested citizens from Silverton and Quitaque met Tuesday, June 13, at 7:30 p.m. at the

Quitaque Community Center to form an organization for the sole purpose of "promoting quality of

life for all residents of Briscoe County." Briscoe County Task Force is the name chosen by the organizers. The Task Force will support and coordinate county-wide activities that will benefit the people of Briscoe County.

Jimmy Ross was nominated to serve as chairman of the organization. When asked if he was willing to serve as chairman, Ross said he would be willing to serve if those present did not feel there was a conflict of interest. Those present felt Ross has a knowledge of resources that can be a great help to the people of Briscoe County, and Ross was elected by acclamation.

Virginia Hardin was elected secretary.

Other officers will be six board members chosen by the Quitaque Chamber of Commerce and six board members chosen by the Briscoe County Activities Association. All residents of the county will make up the ad hoc advisory committee.

Briscoe County Task Force meetings will be the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the summer months and 6:30 p.m. in the winter months. Meetings will alternate between Silverton and Quitaque. Meetings are open to all residents of the county, and no membership

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Silverton Girl Scouts have been working on their eight basic steps to the world of out of doors. After they finish these steps, they will be ready to go on an outing or camp-out. The girls have been working on their cardiopulmonary resuscitation and Heimlich Maneuver training. From left, they are Christina Stephens, Staci Hill, Kara Kingery, Misti Wilkinson, Lindsey Jennings and Shauna Kingery.

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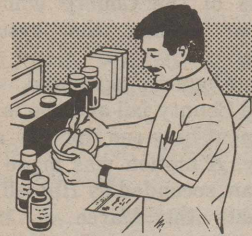
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OBITUARIES

HORACE CLENNON VINES

Funeral services for Horace Clennon Vines, 69, were conducted at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday at the First Baptist Church in Silverton. Officiating were the pastor, Rev. Jim Browning, and Ted Kingery, minister of the Silver-



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ton Church of Christ.

Interment was in the Silverton Cemetery, with arrangements made by Schooler-Gordon Funeral Home.

Mr. Vines died at 8:45 p.m. Monday in the Veterans Hospital in Amarillo. He had been returned to the hospital early Sunday afternoon by the Silverton Volunteer Ambulance Service.

Born April 25, 1920 in Magnolia, Arkansas, he was the son of William W. and Belle Vines. He was married to Jessie Belle Madlock in November 1940 in Memphis, Texas. He was a retired farmer, rancher and meat market manager, and had resided in Silverton for the past 32 years.

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He was a U. S. Army veteran, having served during World War II.

Survivors include his wife, Jessie; a son, Jack Vines of Canadian; a daughter, Patricia Millard of Fort Worth; two brothers, Elmer Vines of Memphis and Loyd Vines of Wellington; two sisters, Mabel and Zeffie Vines, both of Memphis; seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were E. H. McGavock, Bill McGavock, Wayne Nance, Steve Jarnagin, Tom Perkins and

Honorary pallbearers were Homer Stephens, Frank Hunt, George Long, Roy Montague, Wayne Oliver and Gail Bullock.

Council

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June 12, 1989. Motion carried.

The Council inspected a deed without warranty on lots 5-6-7-8-9 and 10, Block 6, Fewell Addition. A motion was made by Hutsell, seconded by Lynn Frizzell, to execute the deed and convey ownership to Ross Estes. Motion carried, with Jim Estes abstaining the vote.

Motion was made by Bowman, seconded by Estes, to employ Jay V. Towe to audit the City records for the year ending June 30, 1989. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Estes, seconded by Frizzell, to lease the City airport to Bill Durham Fertilizer for one year for \$100.00. Motion carried.

The Council inspected a mail-out ballot for the election of Texas Municipal League, Region I, Regional Officers for 1989-90. Motion was made by Hutsell, seconded by Frizzell, to vote for the slate of officers as submitted by the Regional Nominating Committee. Motion carried.

Before adjournment, the Council authorized the Secretary to hire one part-time person to operate the City shredder.

About half as much hot water is used in the average shower as in the average bath.

John Wood Receives Doctor of Medicine Degree in San Antonio

John Wood received the doctor of medicine degree at The University of Texas Health Sciences Center in San Antonio May 27, 1989. He and his family, Eileen, Clayton and Benjamin, have moved to Temple, where he will begin residency training at Scott & White Medical Center.

John is the son of Clayton and Joy (Brown) Wood of Dell City. He is the nephew of Mrs. J. D. Nance and Mrs. J. L. Self.



Task Force Boy Scout News

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dues or fees will be charged. Quitaque Chamber of Commerce reported receiving requests for information on vacation spots in Briscoe County. Most requests have been for opportunities to visit a working ranch. If you are interested in providing vacations for visitors for a fee or free, please contact the Quitaque Chamber at Box 207, Quitaque, Texas 79255. The Chamber is making a list of things to do and the approximate cost of the activities. The list will be sent out to area Chambers of Commerce, tour guides and individuals who ask for information.

Briscoe County Activities Association members Spud and Betty Nan Tiffin have agreed to allow their phone and mailing address to serve as the "Silverton Chamber of Commerce," since Silverton does not have a chartered Chamber and City Hall has been answering mail directed to the Silverton Chamber of Commerce. The Tiffins will render a much-needed service.

You may ask why a county-wide organization such as Briscoe County Task Force is needed. The people who organized the Task Force believe in Briscoe County and what it can become. They believe the people of the county must seek ways to make the county a viable place to reside once again, a place where new residents along with heirs of Briscoe County pioneers can live a quality life spiritually, educationally, culturally and financially.

You are invited to attend Briscoe County Task Force meetings to help improve on what the people of the county have been given.

Troop and we appreciate her a lot.

To those who asked about us not putting out the flags on Flag Day, we never did in the years past. We only put flags out on transitional holidays and county holidays.

We want to welcome Stoney Hubbard to our Troop. Maybe his next camping trip with us will be a much better one.

And to all the moms who didn't let their boys go because they might get a flea: there were no fleas, just flies, mosquitoes, spiders, cows and coyotes!

by Scoutmaster Mark Eddleman

Our next meeting will be at the Scout Hut Monday at 4:00 p.m. We will be planning our next camping trip.

Last weekend we went camping. Six Scouts went. It was nice and hot when we got to the place where we were to camp. After we got the tent up, some of the boys went for a swim to cool off. After that we went for a hike. A lot of water was coming down the creek, and we followed the water and all the water was falling off the rim of the Caprock where there was a big waterfall. We hiked to the bottom. The water was falling so hard it made a cool wind. The boys wanted to go under it, but some didn't stay long because the water fell so hard. We stayed there for about an hour and hiked down the creek where the water rushed down fast. We went in a small cave where the water was going under a big rock. It was pretty neat. Then the water started going slower, so we started up the canyon. By the time we got to the top, I felt like we were going to die. It was pretty steep. We made it up and started back to camp. I didn't know that we had gone so far from the camp. By the time we got to camp, I think we had lost a pint of blood from all the mosquitoes that were after us.

When it started getting dark, we started a fire and cooked some hot dogs. A few boys got back in the lake to swim. Then they started telling stories. Jeff Smith and Frank, jr. dropped in for a visit. One of our innertubes drifted down the lake, and the boys had to go get it.

In most cases, Scout leaders make their boys go to sleep at 11 or 12 o'clock, but I don't mind if it's about 1:00 or so, because they like to talk. The only thing that ruined this trip, I guess, was me. I let things slip by, but when I say go to sleep and be quiet over and over, it makes me mad. And it seemed like three boys didn't want to mind me. It was 2:00 a.m. and I don't like to be waked up at that time and have someone back-talking me, so I got up and told everyone to pack that we were going back to town and going home. I don't think half of them believed me, but we did. They did a lot of begging, but we came home. I told them that next time I say to do something, they should know I mean it. I don't like to be mean, but I have to put my foot down some time. I think a lot of these kids, but they need to respect me now and then. So if any of you moms and dads got mad, please forgive me. I'll try to keep them the whole night next time.

We have a lot of good places to camp this summer and I want the boys to have fun on all of the trips, but they better mind me.

We want to thank Frances Gamble for all the help at our concession stand at the ball park. She is a big help to our Scout

THERE'S NOTHING PUZZLING ABOUT IT.

DRINKING AND DRIVING DON'T FIT TOGETHER

Looking Back

through the files of the
Briscoe County News

June 14, 1979—Everett Williams delivers first load of new wheat... Brent Bean and Becky Francis named to dean's honor roll at Texas Tech... Holly Nance has been a patient at High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo... Rebecca Reid competes in Texas State Solo and Ensemble Competition in Austin... Clifton Stodghill believes in conservation... C. Dean McWilliams appointed Group Vice President of U. S. Fertilizer Marketing division of W. R. Grace & Company's Agriculture Chemicals Group, headquartered in Memphis, Tennessee... Mrs. Jerry Patton underwent surgery at High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo Tuesday... Miss Kelley Lynn Maddin is bride of Randy James Clay...

June 21, 1979—Dani Whitfill, Susie Tipton, Traci Mayfield, Karen Martin, Melissa Greenhaw, Joni Denton and Missy Brown attending cheerleading school at Lubbock Christian College... Children of the late Mr. and Mrs. John C. Welch have reunion in Plainview... Marathon, fireworks to highlight Fourth of July at Lake Mackenzie... Perry Thomas has been undergoing tests this week at High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo... Mrs. Lena Deloney buried last week... Karen Ziegler, bride-elect of Chris Breedlove, honored at shower... Quitaque is runner-up in state community improvement contest...

June 19, 1969—Max S. Stevenson is one of ten inductees into Armed Services... Hamblen Drive historical marker to be dedicated northeast of Wayside Sunday afternoon... Briscoe County Sheriff Vinson Smith has been elected to the board of directors of the Law Enforcement Officers Association of Texas. Rickie June Rampley on dean's honor roll at Southwestern State College, Weatherford, Oklahoma... Cindy Cross and Terri Lee to be among 150 students and teachers who will tour Europe for six weeks this summer... Mr. and Mrs. Harrell Minyard are parents of a son, Jason Grant... Bailey Loyd writes from Vietnam where he is serving with the 12th combat battalion... Mr. and Mrs. Irving McJimsey have a new member of their family. Five-year-old Jimmy came to make his home with them on June 6...

June 9, 1949—Funeral services held for Mrs. Anna Tidwell... Roy Teeter moves real estate office down town... Kay Castleberry honored in music at Stephens College... Miss Frances May weds Bill T. Womack... John Montague dies at Plainview... Miss Ena Rey Knox receives degree at Texas State College for Women... Miss June Wimberly receives degree from WTSC... Jimmie Webb delivers first load of wheat... Marie Garrison was hostess to Rock Creek Club...

June 16, 1949—Body of Billie Rampley due to arrive Sunday... Rayburn Burgess is in Austin

this week to take the examination before the Pharmacy State Board... Leo White at College Station this week... Visitors in T. J. Hodges home... Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Hodges are parents of a son, James Boyd... Silverton Pharmacy installs new air conditioner... Carlyn Wimberly complimented with shower and tea... Thelma Mercer Fulton, Nina Cantwell Evans, June Wimberly and Wilma Francis to receive degrees at WTSC... John A. Montague, Briscoe County pioneer, buried Friday... Virginia Lee Reid is bride of Charles Hawkins... Miss Betty Marshall wed to Robert Mooney... Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Edwards are parents of a son... Among

patients in the Briscoe County Hospital have been Donald Alcorn, Bettye Lou Olive, R. E. Sweek, Glenda Gale Tant, Gwenlyn Paige, Frankie Lou Hunt, Mrs. C. H. Keller, Mrs. Tressie Duncan, Berna S. Steward and Arnold Morris... Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Burson are parents of a son...

June 4, 1959—Ralph Roberts buys funeral homes in Silverton and Quitaque... C. L. Whitehead is a patient at Northwest Texas Hospital this week... Mr. and Mrs. Lem Weaver attended the Northwest Texas Methodist Church 54th Annual Conference in Abilene last week... Claude Crossing Club meets with Mrs. Wayne McCutchen...

Jeniece Harlan weds Harry Gaines, jr....

June 11, 1959—Morris Pharmacy to celebrate second anniversary... Last rites conducted for Wayne G. Gerdes, 53... Catholic Church being remodeled... Jo Ann Bennett weds Gerald Garvin... Mrs. W. A. McJimsey and Helen took Harvey to Quanah Sunday afternoon where he is working with a local combine crew in the harvest... Funeral services conducted for Mrs. H. E. Bothe... Mr. and Mrs. Jack Graham are parents of a daughter, Connie Lynn... Mr. and Mrs. Wayne McMurtry are parents of a daughter, Lee Ann... Shower honors Mrs. L. V. Woody... Johnnie Lanham

visited C. M. Jasper at the Veterans Hospital in Amarillo last Thursday... Thomas family has reunion in Quitaque...

June 8, 1939—Harvest to start here this week... Choosing 8:30 o'clock Thursday morning as their wedding hour, LaNelle Hamilton and Bailey Hill were married at the home of the Rev. J. H. Hamblen in Abilene... Claude Loudermilk and Mrs. Nena Martin were united in marriage at Amarillo May 27. Mrs. Ashel McDaniel accompanied them... Engineers Adams, Smith and Noah were here Friday and visited the Tule

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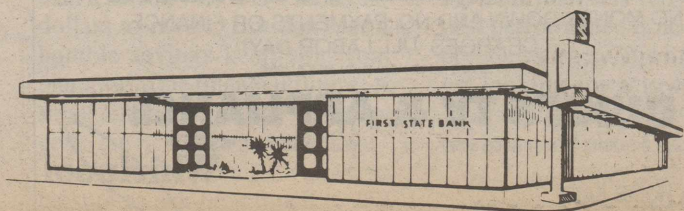
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County's Tax Rebates Down Sharply

In spite of increasing state-wide sales tax rebates, the checks being received by Quitaque and Silverton are down sharply from those received at the same time last year.

State Comptroller Bob Bullock says that local sales tax allocations to cities, counties and transit authorities across the state increased 14.2 percent during the first half of 1989, compared to the first half of 1988. In Briscoe County the rebates are down and in many of the other small towns in the area rebates are also down, excepting the towns in Swisher County which have been zooming forward in rebates all this year. Hereford is one of the larger towns in the area that is receiving less rebate money.

Silverton's tax rebate check for this payment period, which covers sales during the month of April, was \$999.45, down 59.91 percent from the \$2,492.95 that

was received at the same time last year. This brings the total for the first six months of 1989 to \$9,473.43, which is down 13.94 percent from the \$11,008.55 that had been received for the first six months of 1988.

At Quitaque, the rebate for this period was \$530.64, down 71.51 percent from the \$1,862.86 received at the same time last year. This brought the 1989 total to \$5,900.59, down 15.13 percent from the \$6,952.59 that had been received in 1988 at this same time.

This gave Briscoe County a decline in rebates of 14.40 percent.

By way of comparison, rebates for other area cities and the amount of its increase or decrease include:

Claude, \$1,793.25, down 0.27 percent; Dimmitt, \$20,096.16, up 30.72 percent; Hart, \$1,203.85, down 8.18 percent; Nazareth, \$767.20, down 1.60 percent;

Childress, \$14,935.04, up 6.94 percent; Wellington, \$2,937.40, down 11.04 percent; Paducah, \$2,120.50, up 6.29 percent; Crosbyton, \$1,571.86, down 0.91 percent; Lorenzo, \$1,253.13, down 13.20 percent; Ralls, \$3,434.82, up 1.33 percent; Hereford, \$37,022.45, down 0.93 percent; Dickens, \$1,880.07, down 5.18 percent; Spur, \$2,428.11, down 81.87 percent; Clarendon, \$5,400.80, up 1.76 percent; Hedley, \$0, down 1.46 percent; Howardwick, \$555.74, down 0.16 percent; Floydada, \$8,265.46, up 13.25 percent; Lockney, \$2,762.40, up 58.03 percent; Lefors, \$0, up 27.79 percent; McLean, \$1,459.22, down 0.19 percent; Pampa, \$92,957.63, up 6.22 percent; Plainview, \$123,325.76, up 23.55 percent; Estelline, \$0, down 18.56 percent; Lakeview, \$0, down 23.89 percent; Memphis, \$5,564.18, down 11.93 percent; Turkey, \$525.80, down 26.77 percent; Jayton, \$0, down 11.65 percent; Lubbock, \$985,302.52, up 10.25 percent; Matador, \$1,027.04, down 10.12 percent; Roaring Springs, \$1,594.56, up 75.58 percent; Amarillo, \$836,525.34, up 4.25 percent; Canyon, \$27,783.93, up 5.96 percent; Happy, \$637.07, up 294.17 percent; Kress, \$733.53, up 508.34 percent; Tulia, \$13,095.53, up 19.59 percent.

So, while some area towns are following the state trend, others aren't doing as well, and sadly, the Briscoe County towns are among the latter group.

Ambulance Service To Have Cookout

Members of Silverton Volunteer Ambulance Service and their families are invited to a cookout at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, June 27, at the group shelter at Lake Mackenzie.

Each family is asked to bring a freezer of ice cream or other goodies.

Members are to be prepared to vote for their choice for EMT of the Year.

Please call Diamond Williams by June 21 to RSVP, because steaks need to be ordered.

Lake Mackenzie Fishing Report

A number of big fish have been weighed in at the Cactus Cove Marina at Lake Mackenzie since the last report. Water temperature at a four-foot depth is now 72° and the water level has risen to 112.56, closing in on the lake's maximum depth of 114.9 feet.

Red Jennings of Amarillo brought in a number of good catches during the past week, weighing in a 6¼-lb. striper he caught on live perch in the mouth of Tule Creek on June 6. On June 12, he caught a 13½-lb. yellow cat on live perch in the mouth of the Tule. He also brought in 30 channel cat, weighing from ¾-lb. to 1½-lbs., he caught on liver and 20 blue cat, weighing from two to four pounds, he caught on minnows.

Darran DeBerry of Plainview caught a 12-lb. yellow cat using live perch for bait on June 7. On June 16, he caught an 11½-lb. yellow cat, again using live perch, in Tule Creek.

A fisherman who didn't wish to have his name in the newspapers caught five, four, three and 1½-lb. channel cat on June 8. He was fishing with cut carp in Williams Creek.

Gabe and Pauline Rivas of Canyon weighed in a 3½-lb. largemouth bass on June 12. This fish was taken on minnows in Deadman Creek.

Bryan Breedlove, who lives at Lake Mackenzie, caught a three-pound largemouth bass on June 12 while working a white Roadrunner jig in the main part of the lake.

Casi and Amanda Cosby of Tulia caught a 6¼-lb. striper and two two-pound sand bass near the first island on June 15. They were using running lures.

On June 17, Ricky Poole and Nathan Mulder of Plainview caught a 4½-lb. yellow cat on a trotline baited with dead minnows.

Jim Honeycutt of Canyon caught a 3½-lb. black bass June 18. He was working a quarter-oz. Harvey pearl-tail jig in Tule Creek.

Late Weed Control Necessary In Wheat

Curtis Preston
Briscoe County Extension Agent

A combination of thin wheat and late spring rains has led to a severe weed problem in much of the area wheat. Texas Department of Agriculture recently has issued a crisis exemption for the use of Diquat as a harvest aid in wheat.

Diquat use is authorized to begin on June 19, 1989. This crisis exemption expires 15 days later, on July 3, 1989. The product may be applied to wheat after it reaches the soft-dough stage. The labeled rate is 1-2 pints per acre. A nonionic surfactant should also be included at 16 oz. per 100 gallons of water.

This contact herbicide will be more effective when applied in a high volume of water to insure good coverage. Diquat should not be applied within seven days of harvest.

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Canyon inspecting likely locations for a huge government dam to be built in this vicinity in the near future . . . Earl Allard of Oakland, California arrived in Groom last Tuesday where his wife was seriously ill . . . Editor Roy Hahn wrote: "Extracts from a letter from the one and only Worth Hamilton Alexander, the great: 'I am now night manager of the Postal Telegraph here' (repeat this phrase at least six times) . . . 'I have decided not to get married. Why should I get married and make one woman miserable when I can stay single and make lots of them happy . . . seems like to me that I sure am a killer diller with the women. I have already had one marriage proposal but declined' . . ."

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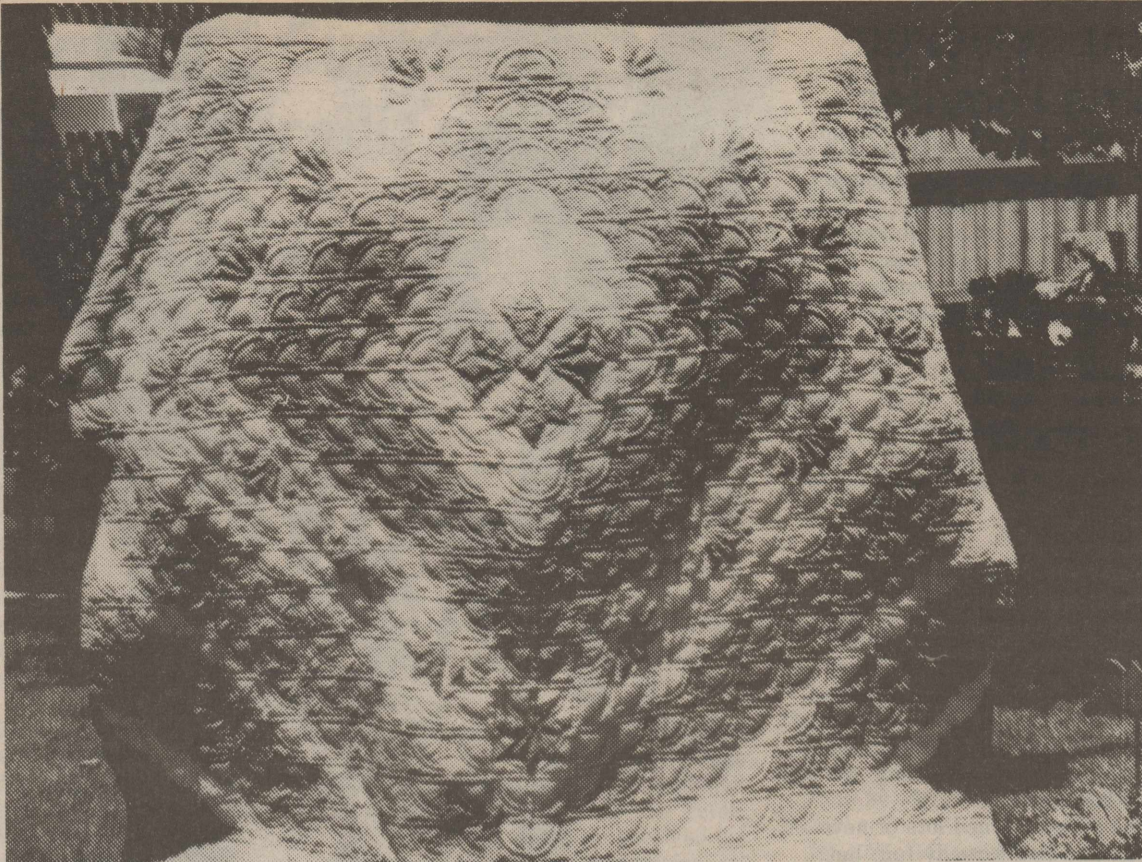
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D.P.S. Recruiting Efforts Picking Up

Recruiting efforts by the Texas Department of Public Safety are picking up for the next trooper-trainee school, scheduled to begin on September 12, 1989.

"Our field recruitment personnel are informing interested persons about the professional

and dependable nature of this state agency," according to Colonel Joe Milner, Department of Public Safety Director. "The Department of Public Safety has a national reputation of excellence in law enforcement, and we're looking for people who will help us maintain this tradition."

More than 100 applicants will be accepted for the 22-week trooper education program at the Department of Public Safety

Academy in Austin. A major part of the department's recruiting goal is minority and female hiring.

"We earnestly seek qualified minority persons for employment with the Department of Public Safety," Colonel Milner pointed out. "And, as in the past, we will do our best to start the recruit class with at least 40 percent minority enrollment."

Milner also indicated that his agency offers competitive salaries. "The Texas Legislature recently authorized a five percent increase in salaries for state employees, including the commissioned and non-commissioned personnel of the DPS. This action will increase the pay for trooper-trainees to \$1,622.00 per month.

"Also, our training does not end on the day of recruit graduation. Throughout the careers of our officers, we offer quality instruction in the DPS Academy to keep them at the top


in their law enforcement profession," Colonel Milner noted.

The DPS Director also had a few comments regarding the commissioned ranks. "Our troopers have many opportunities to advance in responsibilities and rank. And we make every effort to make sure that our officers have equal promotional opportunities."

The deadline for submitting an application for the next trooper-trainee school is Friday, July 28, 1989. Colonel Milner requested that interested persons should contact their local DPS Trooper or any DPS Office during normal business hours.



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Ombudsman Task Force Training Session Held

Mrs. J. D. Nance attended Ombudsman Task Force Training in Amarillo last week.

Weldon Scarborough, Ombudsman, in charge of Task Force Member Ombudsman Program, Panhandle Area Agency on Aging, directed the training.

Mr. Scarborough began the training with reporting procedures, then a sharing session. The experiences, observations and suggestions given were helpful to each Ombudsman.

Guest speakers from Texas Department of Human Services included Charles Warner, Medical Facilitator, and Frances Hirsch, Volunteer Coordinator for Community Care to Aged and Disabled.

Mr. Warner explained, "Projects in Long-Term Care." There are a number of interesting and good changes being made for the elderly. The Case Mix System initiated by Texas Department of Human Services is one of the good changes.

Mrs. Hirsch told of numerous plans available to help people care for themselves, and remain in their own homes.

The Legal Hotline for Older Texans has been endorsed by the board of directors of the State Bar of Texas (Jan. '89). If you

Commodity Program Designed To Assist Low Income Families

The Commodity Program is designed to assist the elderly, handicapped, disabled and low-income families within the 26-county area of the Texas Panhandle with surpluses of butter and other available items. New applicants must complete an application, providing proof of identity, residence, and income for all members of the household. Documents needed are deposit slips, check stubs, employer's statements, driver's license, etc. All information is confidential, as required by federal and state laws.

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Commodities are distributed in Briscoe County through the County Judge's office, and new applications are taken there.

Cheerleaders Attend NCA Camp In Lubbock

The 1989-90 high school cheerleaders spent five days at Texas Tech attending the NCA cheerleading camp. Julie Towe, Tracy Tomlin, Julie Graham, Penni Fogerson, Jennifer Grimland and Christy Nease were among the 480 cheerleaders attending the camp last week.

The squad learned lots of new things and had a really fun, but tiring, week.

The cheerleaders would like to thank all of those who donated money to them at the car wash. The money they received paid the cost of the camp.

All Owl fans need to look for new and exciting things at Pep Rallies and throughout the school year.



Silverton High School's 1989-90 cheerleaders have recently returned from cheerleading camp at Texas Tech University in Lubbock. They are (left to right, in tree) Julie Graham, Tracy Tomlin; (on the ground) Julie Towe, Penni Fogerson, Jennifer Grimland and Christy Nease.

Tracy Tomlin Leaving For Russia Today

Tracy Tomlin is leaving today on the first leg of her trip to Russia with the HOBY youth ambassador group.

She will fly to New York to join the group, and they will travel together from there.

Tracy will be keeping a diary of her experiences on the trip, and we hope to be able to give you a story about it when she returns. Until then, best wishes to Tracy for a wonderful and fulfilling experience.

New Arrival

Tandy and Mark Eakes of Amarillo are parents of a son, Nicholas Jack, born at 7:57 p.m. June 15 at Northwest Texas Hospital. He weighed seven pounds.

He has a seven-year-old sister, Brittney.

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Some SPS Customers to Receive Credit on Bills

Beginning this week, Texas retail customers of Southwestern Public Service Company (SPS) who live outside city limits will receive on their bills a credit related to a 4.32 reduction in electric rates.

"These customers have been billed at the new, lower rate since December," said Jerry Diller, SPS Group Manager of Rates and Regulation. "On April 19, the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT) finalized the lower rate. This decrease was made possible primarily by lower federal income tax rates on corporations and SPS's ability to hold down other costs."

The electric-rate decrease was first agreed to by SPS, the PUCT staff and others on July 8, 1988. The finalization of the rate allows SPS to credit customers' bills as though the new rate had been in effect beginning July 8.

"The credit will be based on the actual amount of electricity each customer used between July 8 and the date interim lower rates began," Diller said. "These one-time credits total \$3.4 million and average about \$13 for a residential customer outside city limits."

SPS's Texas retail customers inside city limits received a 3.1% rate reduction on March 28, 1988. They soon should receive an additional 1.2% reduction to match the amount of decrease for customers outside city limits. They also will receive a credit as

if the additional reduction had been in effect since July 8.

"When the cities approved the rate reduction last year, we planned that if the PUCT approved a larger decrease, SPS would match the decrease for customers inside city limits," Diller said. "We expect to implement the additional decrease in each of the 74 affected cities within the next 60 days, with a one-time credit to follow shortly thereafter."

The staggered effective dates are the result of the regulatory process in Texas, in which cities regulate rates within city limits and the PUCT regulates rural rates.

"When it's all said and done," Diller said, "rates inside and outside city limits will be identical and all SPS's Texas retail customers will have received an average 4.3% rate reduction. In all, the actions amount to a \$20.6 million reduction in SPS's Texas retail rates."

The 4.3% rate reduction which has been in effect equals a decrease in the monthly electric bill of \$3.84, from \$73.51 to \$69.67 for a residential customer who uses 1,000 kilowatt hours of electricity.

Happy Birthday To...

- June 22—Faye Rampley, Stormy Brannon
- June 23—Carolyn Reagan, Riley Harris, Robert Bell
- June 24—Maria Garcia, Elaine Forbes, Gary Turner, Fern Holt
- June 25—Paul Segura
- June 26—Rusty Whitfill, Tommy Davis
- June 27—Chad Turner, Mike Grady, Gerry James, Leona Vardell, Delois Baker
- June 28—Wayne Stephens, Stoney Hubbard

Happy Anniversary To...

- June 22—Mr. and Mrs. Bern May
- June 23—Mr. and Mrs. Dana Martin
- June 24—Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Meier
- June 25—Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sweet
- June 26—Mr. and Mrs. Billy Turner, Mr. and Mrs. Dale McWaters, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Grabbe
- June 27—Mr. and Mrs. Doug Forbes
- June 28—Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Perkins, Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Reynolds

Winners Named in Astroworld Coloring Contest

Artwork has been judged in the AstroWorld coloring contest sponsored by the Briscoe County News, and prizes are in the mail for the winners.

In Division I, for boys and girls aged four through seven years, Richie Hill is the first-place winner and will receive eight free tickets to AstroWorld to be used any time during the current season.

Amy Maciel is the second-place winner, and will receive six free tickets to AstroWorld.

Laura McCammon is the third-place winner, and will get four free tickets to AstroWorld.

Honorable mentions in this division went to Krysta Williams, Bryn Mayfield, Ryan Minyard and Will Hill.

In Division II, for boys and girls eight through eleven years of age, Trey Wyatt is the first-place winner, who will receive eight free tickets to AstroWorld.

Molly Brooks submitted the second-best artwork and will receive six free tickets to AstroWorld.

Staci Hill is the third-place winner and gets four free tickets to AstroWorld.

This was a local contest for readers of the Briscoe County

News. AstroWorld furnished the free tickets, which are good for all rides and attractions except shooting galleries, arcades and games, concerts and special events. The tickets are good for the 1989 season only.

AstroWorld is located in Houston, and the coloring contest was in recognition of the new roller coaster, the Viper, installation of which was completed recently.

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- Do not shoot at insulators on poles, towers or structures.
- Avoid using electrical tools like lawn mowers or hedge clippers when grass and leaves are wet.
- Be careful when digging. Call SPS to find out if there are any buried electrical lines in the area.
- Beware of exposed wires.

A SAFETY MESSAGE FROM SPS

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Comings And Goings

Donald Johnson and family of Wolfforth hosted a birthday dinner Saturday for his sister, Loretta Gamble. Their brother and two sisters were in attendance, along with many of their nieces and nephews. Mrs. Gamble's children and grandchildren attended. One brother lives near Cleburne, one sister is at Odell and another sister lives at Neosha, Missouri.

Mrs. L. D. (Roberta) Griffin is home after having been a patient at St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo almost two weeks. She underwent hip replacement surgery and returned home to continue her convalescence last week.

George Martin is recuperating from surgery at High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo.

Mrs. Ollie McMinn was transported to High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo Sunday morning by the Silverton Volunteer Ambulance Service.

Lisa Comer underwent an appendectomy at Lubbock General Hospital on Thursday of last week.

Michael and Christopher Lahoud of Fort Worth are visiting their great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Nance.

Amy Light of Panhandle spent last week with Lallie Patton. Jessie Weeks of Plainview was here over the weekend and Max Burson of Plainview spent the day Monday. They enjoyed riding around town and seeing all the changes in the past years. They all were born in Silverton and lived here until about 1935. They still call this home. They are aunts and uncles of Lallie Patton.

Bagworms Are Major Pests Of Trees

Bagworms are one of the major pests of junipers and other trees and shrubs in Texas. Spring hatch began in early May on the South Plains this year. Hatching is usually completed in about three weeks. Insecticide control is most effective in late May and early June when the bagworms are small, says County Extension Agent Curtis Preston.

In the spring, bagworm larvae emerge from hatching eggs inside last year's bags and begin feeding on leaves. They soon

Checkbook Register System of Record Keeping to be Taught

Farmers and ranchers interested in learning a checkbook register-based system of cash record keeping already are signing up for an August program to be presented by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Participants in this two-day short course August 8-9 at South Plains College will learn to use Quicken, a commercially-available software program that is gaining popularity in the South Plains, said Dr. Jackie Smith,

begin to construct their own protective bag of silk, twigs and leaves making them camouflaged and hard to see. As the larvae and their bags continue to grow, control becomes more difficult.

Bagworms feed throughout the summer months, building their bags until the bags are about 1½ inches long. In the fall, the bagworms become adults, mate and the females lay eggs inside their bags. They then overwinter in these bags in trees and shrubs. Each overwintering female bag on a tree contains from 500 to 1500 eggs.

Since the bagworm only completes one generation a year and spreads very slowly from plant to plant, picking the bags off infested plants in the winter will help a lot toward controlling this pest. But if bagworms were present on the plant last year and control measures were not applied, chances are very good that an insecticide will be needed this spring.

Insecticides which can be used to control bagworms include sevin, dursban, diazinon, malathion, dylox and orthene. The biological insecticide Bacillus thuriensis can also be used. To obtain effective control, thorough coverage of the foliage is important. The addition of a small amount of liquid soap or surfactant to the spray solution will improve control because it helps adhere the insecticide to the treated trees and shrubs. Always read and follow label instructions when applying insecticides.



Indications are that acreage planted to cotton on the High Plains in 1989 will fall over 400,000 acres below the acreage planted in 1988.

That's the conclusion drawn by Plains Cotton Growers, Inc., Lubbock, after studying preliminary cotton program sign-up figures received from the state Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS) in College Station. The raw figures show planting intentions at 2,740,189, down 486,811 acres from 1988's 3,227,000. But, stressing that the numbers are "preliminary," PCG has adjusted the total

agricultural economist and management specialist with the Extension Service.

To assure hands-on training, the course is being limited to 20 participants. Before the program has been widely publicized, half a dozen persons who have heard about it have registered, Smith said.

Participants will write and print checks and enter transactions in the check register. Information entered on the checks and in the register will be used to produce income and expense reports by enterprise, a cash flow, and budget reports. Tips to speed entry of repetitive transactions also will be included.

In addition to learning Quicken, participants will be introduced to other packages in this capability and price range, and discuss the benefits of a full-fledged accounting package.

Fee for the workshop will be \$125.00, which will include a copy of the Quicken disks and manual, a course notebook and two meals. The course will run from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. each day, and will be limited to 20 participants.

For more information, contact your local county Extension Agent, or telephone Dr. Jackie Smith at the Texas A&M University Agricultural Research and Extension Center in Lubbock, (806) 746-6101.

to an even 2.8 million based on conversations with ASCS employees in counties where the figures obviously are incomplete.

As an example officials cite Gaines, largest of the 25 counties in PCG territory. The preliminary count there came to 219,320 intended acres, down almost 76,000 and an unrealistic 26 percent from the acres planted last year.

Two factors account for the overall reduction, PCG notes. Farm program regulations in 1989 require participants to idle 25 percent of base acreage, up from 12.5 percent in 1988. And, producers since last year have reduced effective bases by putting another 147,000-plus acres in the 10-year conservation reserve program (CRP). That brings total High Plains cotton acres in the CRP to just over 723,000.

What about harvested acres? "With the drought and the weather we're having," says PCG Executive Vice President Donald Johnson, "that's still anybody's guess."

In Briscoe County, the total base acres amount to 67,461, with there being 49,909 effective base acres. There are 47,002 base acres enrolled, and planting intentions for 32,093 acres.

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Coaster enthusiasts get ready! Construction is complete on the Viper, AstroWorld's new steel loop coaster. Workers were pictured as they continued to lay the 1,968 feet of track that makes up the ride. The Viper, which features a 360-degree loop, corkscrew turns and a 60-foot long tunnel, opened in late April. AstroWorld, open daily through Labor Day, is a member of the Six Flags family.

New Coaster at Astroworld Offers Construction Challenges

During the past three months, the maintenance department at AstroWorld, the Houston-based Six Flags theme park, has been consumed with constructing the Viper, a new steel loop coaster, scheduled to open this spring. From a construction standpoint, the Viper has offered some unique challenges.

The Viper, which is constructed in the Oriental section of the park, has been like piecing a puzzle together with every piece having to fit just so. Because the ride design was already estab-

lished, the site had to be form-fitted to accommodate the new coaster. According to Monty Jasper, director of maintenance, that adjusting process was one of the biggest challenges facing his department. With a little nip and tuck here and there, buildings surrounding the ride site were trimmed to make way for the 1,968 feet of the Viper's track. In fact, an existing ride had to be moved to another area of the park, so thrill seekers would be able to have the new coaster.

But, designing the site to fit

the ride wasn't the only challenge facing the AstroWorld construction team. To spice up the Viper, AstroWorld President Del Holland decided to add a tunnel to the ride to give riders a different coaster sensation. The tunnel, the last item to be built on the coaster, posed unique construction demands.

"We had to have a one-of-a-kind tunnel designed for the Viper," said Jasper, "because the tunnel featured a compound curve as riders exit the tunnel." Consideration also had to be given to clearance for the coaster train, as well, so guests could not touch the sides of the tunnel as the coaster whips through the tunnel at 73 feet per second. These details necessitated the custom design. "We just couldn't go out and buy a tunnel to fit the coaster," stated Jasper.

While a few portions of the tunnel could be pre-fabricated, like the legs and other supporting structure, the entire tunnel was built 80-feet in the air above the Viper's track.

Once the coaster track was completed, the legs of the tunnel were attached to the track. Steel rings, resembling a gigantic slinky, is the backbone of the tunnel and are attached with side-rails to the legs. After the rings were in place, plaster was applied over the rings to form the tunnel. Lastly, a huge Viper, painted in bright Oriental colors, was bolted to the side of the tunnel, giving the appearance that riders are being swallowed by a 60-foot long Viper.

"We know that our guests are

going to get a big kick out of the Viper," stressed Holland. The Viper, which offers multiple thrills like corkscrew turns, a 360-degree loop and the unique Viper tunnel, is truly a coaster enthusiast's dream come true. "Ask any coaster enthusiast and I'm sure he'll agree there can never be enough roller coasters at our park," remarked Holland. If that is true, then surely more creative challenges await AstroWorld's maintenance division.

The Viper was scheduled to open in late April. Guests can enjoy it and the other 100 rides, shows and attractions at AstroWorld daily until Labor Day. Adult one-day tickets are \$18.95. Children under 48-inches are admitted for \$12.95. Tickets are tax inclusive. For more information, call 713-799-1234.



The largest seeds in the world are the nuts of the coco-de-mer or double coconut palm, of the Seychelles, an island group in the Indian Ocean. A nut may weigh up to 50 pounds.

Ask Ann Richards

What are financial planners?

Editors Note: State Treasurer Ann W. Richards each week answers questions about personal finance and state government. These questions are compiled from various letters to the State Treasury. Answers are not intended to take the sound advice of reputable financial advisers or other professional counselors.

If you have a question to ask, write to:

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There is little regulation of planners, so you need to do some checking before you sign anything.

Ask about the planner's education and experience. When he or she suggests different investment options, ask how he or she arrived at that advice.

The International Board of Standards and Practices for Certified Financial Planners can give you the names of some planners in your area. The phone number is (303) 751-7600.

What is a blue chip stock? I know they are supposed to be "good" stocks, but what makes them so?

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Tiny Pests Can Cause Big Problems

Spider mites are tiny, but they can cause big problems in home gardens.

These pests prefer tomatoes, beans and peas but will attack many other crops. They do most of their damage in hot, dry weather, said Curtis Preston, county agent with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Spider mites, also called red spiders, are only 1/60-inch in length and vary in color from white to green to red.

The tiny pests can build up quickly and completely engulf plants, Preston said. Eggs laid on the underside of leaves hatch in four to five days. A complete life cycle takes three weeks, and as many as 20 overlapping generations can occur in a single year.

Mites spin a thin web which often can be seen on heavily infested plants. They feed by inserting their mouth-parts into

plant tissue and sucking juices. While feeding, they inject toxic substances into the plant, Preston said.

Infestations of spider mites can be identified by tiny white spots on plant leaves. Heavy infestations cause bleaching or yellowing, first along the main leaf veins and then throughout the plant. Heavy infestations cause plants to shed buds and small fruit. Spider mites can completely defoliate a plant if not controlled, said Preston.

Control of spider mites is often difficult and requires two to four applications of insecticide at five to seven-day intervals. Check plants frequently for spider mites since the pests can build up rapidly.

Insecticides registered for controlling spider mites in gardens are diazinon, kelthane, malathion and sulfur; however, do not use sulfur on cucurbits (cucumbers, squash or melons) because sev-

ere plant change could occur.

As always, read and follow label directions on all insecticides, said Preston.



Yes, U. S. cotton should be price-competitive in world markets. And the Secretary of Agriculture should determine and perpetuate an adjusted world price for U. S. cotton that will make it competitive.

But no, the effectiveness of the non-recourse loan program as now administered need not be and should not be sacrificed in pursuit of a competitive price. And the Secretary should not adopt proposed loan program changes that would have that effect.

Those two points will constitute the nucleus of a statement from Plains Cotton Growers, Inc., Lubbock, in response to the U. S. Department of Agriculture's Federal Register notice proposing alterations in the administration of two basic features of the current cotton program.

The first proposal would produce a more accurate and therefore more competitive adjusted world price (AWP) for U. S. cotton. It would give USDA authority, when needed after arriving at an AWP under the existing formula, to inject additional criteria into the formula to give a further adjustment. New factors to be used would include U. S. spot market prices relative to the original formula-calculated AWP, actual sales prices of foreign competitors, the volume of U. S. sales for export compared to world markets, and other relevant data.

PCG is in full agreement with this proposal, and according to Executive Vice President Donald Johnson, the organization is recommending that it be activated in accord with guidelines detailed in either or a combination of two suggested procedures developed by the industry through the seven-segment National Cotton Council. One would compare the actual U. S. share of world exports to the traditional U. S. share as a means to determine the need for action to lower the U. S. world price. The other advises an adjustment in the U. S. price at any time the quoted price of representative Memphis territory cotton is not one of the three cheapest growths used in the current AWP formula.

There also is a difference under the two plans in the way the size of any adjustment would be determined, Johnson explains, "and it is our thought" that the authority to use either

will give the Secretary the flexibility to make an adjustment that will do the job under the market circumstances that exist at the time.

The objectionable part of USDA's proposed change in the administration of the loan program, Johnson says, concerns the disposition of interest and carrying charges when producers use the option to extend loans another eight months at the expiration of the original ten-month loan period. It is proposed that, as a condition of permitting loan extensions, producers be required to prepay the full eight-month interest and warehouse charges or provide documentation from the warehouse that the government will not be held responsible for such charges.

That would be a reversal of current policy which allows charges to accrue as they are incurred, to be paid by the redeemer if the cotton is sold, and assumed by Commodity Credit Corporation if forfeited in payment of the loan.

Producers could not afford to use extensions if advance payment of charges were required, Johnson contends, "which for practical purposes means the legal authorization for extensions would be repealed and the effectiveness of the loan as a marketing tool would be reduced accordingly."

Figures released to Lubbock-based Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. June 1 fixed the official size of the 25-county High Plains cotton crop at 3,234,700 bales of 480 pounds net. PCG estimates a record farm-level crop value of \$1.169 billion.

The production total, tallied by the Texas Agricultural Statistics Service (TASS), is the second highest in area history, and over 21 percent above the 2,668,550 bales grown in 1987. Record production for PCG's 25 counties was established in 1981 with a crop of 3,522,000 bales.

TASS reported 3,227,000 acres planted to the fiber crop on the Plains in 1988, an almost unheard-of 96.7 percent of which, or 3,119,200 acres, remained for harvest. The 1987 crop came off 2,819,000 planted acres, 2,599,000 of which were harvested. The record crop of 1981 was produced on 4,473,500 harvested acres.

The farm-level value of the crop exceeded the billion-dollar mark for the second time in as many years. The \$1.169 billion figure compares to the \$1.06 billion value PCG assigned to the 1987 crop.

In Briscoe County, there were 35,000 acres planted and harvested, with a harvested yield per acre of 468 pounds. The county produced 34,100 480-pound net weight bales.

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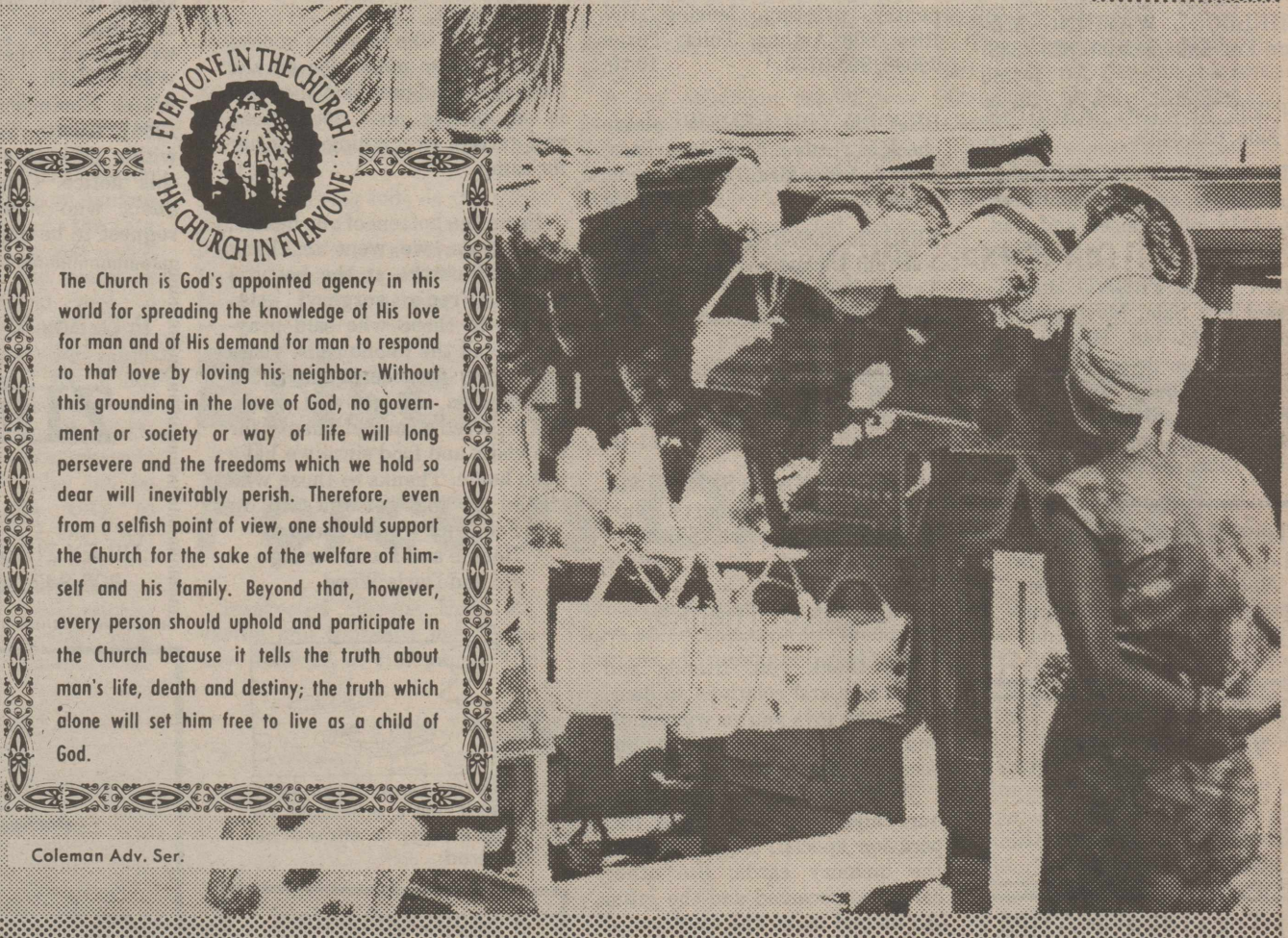
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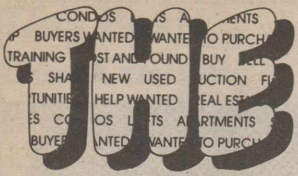
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Also a special thank you to all the doctors and nurses who have been so good to us.

I am improving everyday and hope to be back home real soon.

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