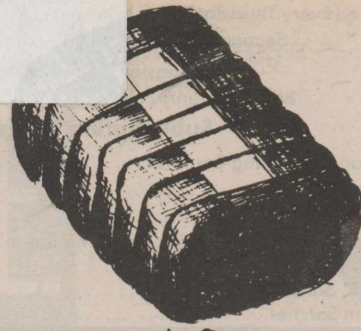


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All Around  
The Town

BY MARY ANN SARCHET



Dorothy Johnson told us last week that they had ginned approximately 17,000 bales so far this season, and had 2,000 bales more in modules on the gin yard and some in the field.

Even though several farmers have told us that they were disappointed in their cotton yield since it didn't produce as much lint as they thought it looked like it would, it is good to know that some farmers did have outstanding yields. We have heard of several in this area who stripped more than two bales to the acre. Whatever the yield, the grades have been good and the price is staying up, so even though there were disappointments, it is still a very good crop.

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One of the hottest bands in the Dallas Metroplex is Fantasia. Fantasia has been playing around the Metroplex for about 15 years. They play a variety of music ranging from country, dance, rock, easy listening, blues and more. Their large variety of music has made them a hit at private parties, weddings, and at the Metroplex clubs. Each of the musicians in Fantasia has at least 20 years experience and they all sing, giving the band a wide variety of sounds to choose from.

The band is composed of Henry Lee (Guitar); Sherri Lee (vocals), Carl Gallington, a former Silverton resident and son of Joe and Elzora Gallington (drums), Larry Randolph (keyboards) and Arthur Reyes (bass).

Henry Lee, who owns Musician's Headquarters, has been called the Alvin Lee of Texas. In the past his bands have opened for such acts as ZZ Top, Ted Nugent, Trapeze, Krakerjack, Freddy Fender, Toby Beau, Blackbird and many more.

Sherri Lee, who also owns Musician's Headquarters, has a great voice and sounds like Stevie Nicks and Ann Wilson.

Carl Gallington plays a mean set of drums and has recorded in L. A. He has a great voice too, and sounds a little like Lionel Ritchie and Eddie Kendricks.

Larry Randolph has toured nationally and has been a staple on the Metroplex club circuit with many top acts as well as doubling as announcer for Fantasia.

Last, but not least, is Arthur Reyes. His multi-faceted playing has made him a hit around the Metroplex and he has played in other bands with Henry as well. He also records his own solo projects on the side.

## School Book Fair Set For December 5-9

The annual Scholastic Book Fair will be held in the Silverton School library from 8:00 a.m. until 3:30 p.m.

## Disaster Declaration Opens Doors for Loans to Farmers

Seven Panhandle counties swept by heavy rains and hail last spring and summer have been declared a disaster area by the U. S. Department of Agriculture, making farmers in the area eligible for emergency loans.

The Division of Emergency Management at the Department of Public Safety announced Monday that

### Applications For Farm Loans Being Accepted

Applications for emergency farm loans for losses caused by extensive rain and hail which occurred on May 1, 1994 through May 31, 1994 and again on July 9, 1994 are being accepted at the Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) office located in Tulia, FmHA County Supervisor Ross James said.

Swisher County is one of six in Texas recently named by Secretary of Agriculture Mike Espy as eligible for loans to cover part of actual production losses resulting from the rain and hail.

James said farmers may be eligible for loans of up to 80 percent of their actual losses or the operating loan needed to continue in business or \$500,000, whichever is less. For farmers unable to obtain credit from private commercial lenders, the interest is 4.5 percent.

"As a general rule, a farmer must have suffered at least a 30 percent loss of production to be eligible for an FmHA emergency loan," James said. Farmers participating in the PIK or Federal Crop Insurance program will have to figure in proceeds from those programs in determining their loss.

Applicants that certify that other credit is not available may receive loans covering actual losses at an interest rate of 4.5 percent and are scheduled for repayment as rapidly as feasible consistent with the applicant's repayment ability to pay.

To be eligible for an emergency loan, an applicant must have suffered losses from the disaster.

December 5-9.

Parents are asked to make arrangements to attend according to your children's classroom schedule.

There will be great Christmas gift ideas including books, bookmarkers, pencils and posters.

## Senior Citizens To Create Christmas Joy

Silverton Senior Citizens are asked to help share the joy of Christmas by bringing canned goods and staples to be distributed to the community's needy families.

Please bring your donations to the birthday party or the next luncheon.

Swisher County has been declared a natural disaster area. Armstrong, Briscoe, Castro, Floyd, Hale and Randall counties were designated as disaster counties.

Caroline Guckian, spokeswoman for the emergency management division, said Governor Ann Richards requested the disaster declaration in late August. Guckian said the federal agency made the declaration October 24, but that a delay in paperwork held up the announcement.

Farmers in the counties suffered damages and losses when the area was hit by extensive rain and hail in May and July.

Guckian said the losses suffered were to cotton, corn, wheat, and milo. Losses of cattle also were reported, she said.

The declaration allows family farmers to qualify for Farmers Home Administration emergency loans to cover storm-related damages. Guckian said the deadline for emergency loan applications is June 26, 1995.

Information on loan limits and assistance on applications can be obtained by contacting local FmHA county offices.

The USDA also declared Foard County a natural disaster area and has designated Baylor, Cottle, Hardeman, King, Knox and Wilbarger disaster counties. Crop losses and damages were suffered in those counties as a result of an August 17 storm.

The June 26 deadline also applies to emergency loan applications in that area.

## Science Fair Will Be Held Saturday, Dec. 3

The Silverton PTA Science Fair will be held Saturday, December 3. Judging is scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m. with presentation of awards immediately following. Refreshments will be served to all guests attending.

There are nine seventh graders entering their projects in the Science Fair this year.

Prizes for winners and participants are being donated by Johnson's Gin and Nance's Food Store.

Everyone is invited to join PTA Saturday, December 3, to enjoy viewing the projects the kids have worked so hard on.

## Teams in Smyer Tourney Dec. 1-3

Silverton's Owls and Lady Owls are playing in a tournament at Smyer this weekend. First-round game for the Lady Owls will be at 4:30 p.m. today (Thursday) in Gym A.

The Owls will play Three Way today (Thursday), with tipoff at 6:00 p.m. in

## Quitaque to Have Annual Caprock Country Event

Quitaque is getting ready for its sixth annual Caprock Country Christmas, scheduled to be held Saturday, December 3.

The event is held at several locations throughout the community. It consists of coffee and cinnamon rolls served at the Senior Citizens Center on Main Street, an Arts and Crafts Show, also on Main Street, a bake sale at the WTU building, a Book Sale at the Caprock Public Library, lunch at the community center, Horse and Buggy Rides, leaving from the Community Center, Cow Pattie Bingo at First and Jones Streets, and Santa will make an appearance at the Craft Show.

Most of the businesses will be having open house with refreshments and door prizes. The community puts a lot of effort into this event to make it enjoyable for all who come to visit.

## L. O. A. Study Club to Sponsor Greeting Page

Announcement has been made that the L. O. A. Study Club once again will sponsor the Christmas Greeting Page.

They ask that, in lieu of sending Christmas cards locally, you donate to a local project and your name will be placed on a special page in the Christmas edition of the *Briscoe County News*. The page will include the explanation that you wish everyone a happy holiday season and that you have donated instead of mailing local cards.

The project which will receive the money has not been decided.

Deadline for getting your name on the special page will be December 16. Contact a L. O. A. member if you would like to be included on the Christmas Greeting Page.

## Win Owls, Lady Owls!

Gym B.

Teams in the girls division are Dawson, Wilson, Amherst, Loop, Three Way, Silverton and Smyer. The boys division includes Loop, Dawson, Wilson, Three Way, Silverton and Smyer.

The second-round games start at 6:00 and 7:30 p.m. Friday (winners) and the losers of the boys' game go directly to the consolation finals Saturday at 1:30 p.m. in Gym A.


Third-place games are Saturday at 3:00 and 4:30 p.m., and the championship games begin at 6:00 and 7:30 p.m. Saturday in Gym A.

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**The Christmas Spirit?**

"Pardon me, Sir, I'm a stranger in town . . . I thought you might be able to tell me what's going on" . . . "Sure, anything. Glad to. What do you mean, what's going on?" . . . "All these decorations, and the mobs of people, pushing and shoving, and all these colored lights" . . . "Oh, you are a stranger, this is the Christmas season. All these decorations are to help us get the Christmas spirit; and these people are doing their Christmas shopping" . . . "Christmas shopping, you say? Do people shop more at Christmas than at other times? What is the Christmas spirit? These folks all look hurried and worn out; and some even look angry" . . . "Oh yes, Stranger, people shop more at

Christmas time. Some people even buy so much that they go in debt. You see we buy gifts for each other, and then at Christmas Eve we have parties and family gatherings and exchange gifts" . . . "Oh that sounds interesting. Does everyone get just what he needs? And say, I see a lot of poor people. Do you exchange gifts with them too?" . . . "Oh no, we don't always get just what we need. That's not the idea. And we don't expect the poor people to give us anything. But most of us give 50 or so to help them to have a merry Christmas" . . . "Say, Friend, I don't want to seem too ignorant, but these funny-looking people dressed in red and wearing long white beards—who are they?" . . . "Boy, you are a stranger! Those are Santa Clauses. Santa Claus is the symbol of Christmas. Nobody seems to know when or where Santa started; but we tell our children that at Christmas Santa comes and brings gifts. They really get excited. Yeh, Santa and Christmas go together" . . . "That does sound exciting. But say, while we were talking, a man fell down in the gutter there, shouldn't we help him up? No one seems to want to help?" . . . "Oh he's all right, probably had an office party and drank his gift all at once. That's the way some celebrate Christmas. Just anything for a good time" . . . "Yes, I see, anything for a good time. Say, there's some interesting music coming from that store; but every now and then I hear a song that sounds out of place. There's one about a white Christmas. There are several about Santa Claus. That one about city sidewalks dressed in holiday style seems appropriate. But there's one in there that sounds like joy to the world, the Lord is come. What does that mean?" . . . "Well, Stranger, I can't



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explain that too well. You see, there's a few fanatics who claim that Christmas has something to do about a Baby named Jesus. I don't know much about all that; but I guess some folks think that Christmas was His birthday. Anyway, they wrote a lot of mushy songs about it, and most of the oldtimers sing them. Some of the churches still teach them to the kids, I guess. I suppose that some of the stores play one now and then to be sure to get the trade from those people who call themselves Christians!" . . .

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 Dear friends, If perchance you think this satire is out of character, it surely is! The reason explained next week. E.C.

**ASC Elections Are Rescheduled**

This year's election for positions on the Briscoe County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation (ASC) Committee, which was to be held in December, is being rescheduled to accommodate changes brought on with last month's enactment of the law to reorganize the U. S. Department of Agriculture (USDA).

According to Bruce Price, chairman of the Briscoe County ASC Committee, the change in the election schedule is nationwide and is authorized under regulations issued by USDA. Current members of ASC committees will continue in their posts until the new election is held next fall.

The law, which reorganized USDA, created a new Agency—the Farm Service Agency—which encompasses all of the commodity support and basic conservation programs of the former Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS), all of the risk management programs of the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation (FCIC), and the farm lending activities of the Farmers Home Administration (FmHA).

Price said the new committee system, when fully implemented, will exercise increased responsibilities in its enlarged role. "Rescheduling the elections on a nationwide basis avoids confusion which could occur from hastily-drawn rules and regulations," Price said, "and will create efficiencies by using funds which would have been spent on this year's election process to be used in training committees in performing their added duties."

**Windbreak Trees, Wildlife Packet Orders Are Now Being Taken**

Caprock Soil and Water Conservation District is now taking orders for the 1995 windbreak trees and wildlife packets.

Evergreen species available are Afghan pine, Arizona cypress, Austrian pine, Ponderosa pine, Redcedar, Rocky Mountain juniper and white pine.

Hardwood species available are American plum, aromatic sumac, catalpa, desert willow, flameleaf sumac, green ash, honeylocust, Nanking cherry, Russian olive, sandcherry, Shumard oak.

Wildlife packets available are quail and pheasant, deer, turkey and squirrel.

Prices will remain at \$2.50 each for the evergreens and \$1.25 for the hardwoods. The wildlife packets are \$35.00 each. Delivery will be in February of 1995.

Please call 823-2320 or come by the Natural Resources Conservation Services in Silverton to place your order.

**Cattlegirls To Host Ranch Christmas Party**

For a Texas holiday experience, mark December 8 on your calendar. The Palo Duro Pioneers chapter of the Texas CattleWomen's Association will be hosting a Christmas party at the Bar H Dude Ranch on that Thursday evening. The festivities begin at 6:30 p.m. and are open to the public. Women who would like to join the newly-organized chapter are encouraged to attend and their spouses also are welcome.

In addition to a holiday meal and festivities, newly-elected officers of the group will be installed. They include Ruth Robinson, president; Kathy Xommel, first vice president; Lisa Price, second vice president; Karen Simmons, treasurer and recording secretary; Teena Lawler, corresponding secretary.

Committee chairpersons are Courtney Shaller, ways and means; Becky McAnear, Beef for Fathers Day; Tanya Bell, education/school; Alice Cobb, historian; Laura Hommel, parliamentarian; Gayle Fletcher, Ag. Day chairperson; Ann Hommel, Beef Gift Certificates; Tookee Thornberry and Kathy Hommel, legislation; Tina Hommel, membership; Judy Welch, publicity; Theresa Shelton and Pam Lewis, Great Beef Appetizer Coordinators.

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# Looking Back

through the files of the  
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**November 29, 1984**—First-round games of Kress Tournament to be played here today. In the boys division, Silverton will play Petersburg, and Lockney will play Tulia. In the girls division, Silverton and Petersburg play, followed by Lockney and Tulia . . . Higgins and Jayton to play in an Area playoff here Friday night . . . Tim Mattheus has opened the Rock Creek Store, and in addition to gasoline, is selling groceries and ready-to-eat food items . . . Junior High Owlettes winning their first game of the season were

Missy McClain, Traci Tomlin, Tara Nance, Keeley Burson, Penni Fogerson, Julie Towe, Tonia Perkins, DeLyn Patton and Avonna Miller . . . Mr. and Mrs. Carl Minyard, Missy and Amy hosted a family Thanksgiving dinner . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Vinson Smith had Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Smith and family in their new home in Amarillo . . . Mr. and Mrs. George Seaney celebrate 65th wedding anniversary . . .

**November 28, 1974**—Basketball teams win four games at Happy . . . Celia Martin represented the Silverton FFA Chapter in the Plainview District Sweetheart contest Monday night. She was one of the six finalists . . . Mrs. Glen Lindsey underwent surgery for the removal of a kidney Thursday . . . Donna Green, operator of Donna's

Beauty Shop here, received a medal for winning second in hair styling and second in hair cutting at the Top of Texas Beauty Show Sunday at the Villa Inn in Amarillo. Her model was Glenna Northcutt . . . Lem Weaver was injured Friday when his leg became caught in the cotton stripper he was operating on the farm near his home just south of the Silverton city limits . . .

**November 26, 1964**—Joni Faye Self and Wayne Nance were named winners of the 4-H Gold Star awards Saturday night at the annual County Awards Banquet . . . David House, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie House, was one of 45 men accepted into pledgship in Gamma Gamma chapter of Kappa Phi Pharmaceutical Fraternity this fall at The University of Texas College of Pharmacy . . . Mr. and Mrs. R. E.

Stephens and Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Stephens were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Stephens, Cheryl, Bobby and Roy Gene in Turkey . . . Mike Norris, who is stationed at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, is spending a leave here with his mother, Mrs. Annie Williams . . . Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Reid, Bill, Rebecca and Nancy were in Lubbock Saturday. J. W. attended the Tech football game in the afternoon . . . Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Graham and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Graham, Mike and Connie were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Montgomery in Lubbock Saturday. All attended the Tech football game in the afternoon . . .

**December 16, 1954**—Silverton Owls, both boys and girls, won championship honors at the annual Matador Invitational Basketball Tournament Saturday night. Making the all-tournament team for the girls were Pat Redin, Sharon Gilkeyson and Jonett Reynolds; on the boys team were Steve Jarnagin and Buz Bailey . . . The father of E. A. Birdwell was killed and his mother was seriously injured in an auto accident in Oklahoma. The collision occurred when the driver of the other car had his son pull the visor down in front of his eyes, causing the car to veer across the highway. The child was seriously injured and his mother was critically hurt . . . Local folks attending the funeral of Martin C. Potter, 95, pioneer resident of Crosby and Briscoe counties, included Messrs. and Mmes. John E. Arnold, R. M. Haverty, Arnold Turner and Mmes. Jeff Simpson and R. M. Hill and Messrs. C. C. Garrison and Johnnie Lanham . . . Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Marlin Jarnagin and family included her parents and brothers and sisters. Present were Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Davis and family, Mr. and Mrs. James Davis and children, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Rampley and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Stanford and daughters . . . Several friends presented Mrs. Gid Mayfield with a friendship quilt and other gifts in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Lightsey last Thursday . . . Messrs. and Mmes. Norman Strange, Robert McPherson and Don Brown spent several days recently at Carlsbad Caverns, El Paso, Texas and Juarez, Mexico . . . Miss Helen Vaughan, bride-elect of Clifford Youngquist, was honored with a tea and bridal shower in the home of Mrs. Tony Burson Saturday . . .

**December 7, 1944**—Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Lanham are parents of a seven-pound daughter born in Floydada on November 30 . . . Mike Reid is spending the week with Mrs. Nash Blasengame . . . Mrs. Dean Allard spent the weekend in Lubbock . . . Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hill and Mr. and Mrs. Pascal Garrison were dinner guests in the George Seaney home Sunday . . . Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Vaughan are parents of a son, named Larry Neal . . . Mrs. Pat Pavlicek left Tuesday for Stephenville to spend Thanksgiving with Margaret Thomas . . . Pat Northcutt and Don Bomar spent the weekend with Jean Northcutt and Fay Tice Bomar in Lubbock and attended the SMU football game . . . Editor Roy Hahn wrote about the bi-district football games: "Spence and Milton down at the City Grocery showed their appreciation by taking all the boys and Coach Brannon to the picture show. They must have got a glimpse of the Oklaunion boys in advance to get so far out on a limb as to make the offer before the game. Spence and Milton are pretty strong fans though, and maybe they had it in their heads to treat the Owls whether they won or lost" . . . The W. E. Schotts have moved to their home they purchased from H. S. Sanders. Mr. and Mrs. Sanders are staying with Mrs. Avis Cowart . . .



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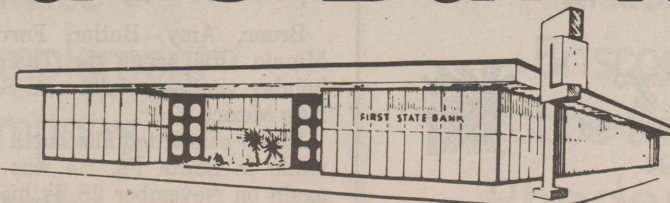
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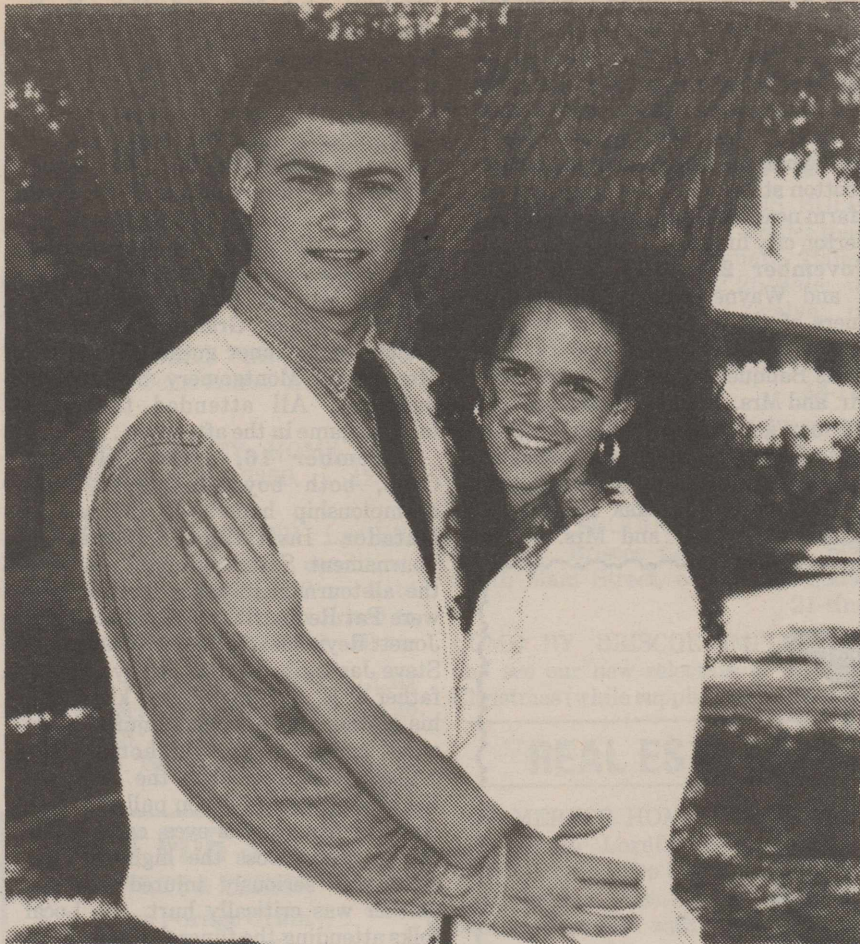
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Creighton Drew Alexander, Nikki Lynn Strong

## Strong-Alexander Engagement Told

The parents of Nikki Lynn Strong are announcing her engagement to Creighton Drew Alexander. She is the daughter of Pam Strong of Dalhart and

Deward Strong of Boulder, Montana. Her fiance is the son of James Ross Alexander and Karla Alexander, both of Lubbock.

## Christmas Open House

Friday, Dec. 2 - 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

New shipment of Potpourri, Renaissance Angels and Santas, Guardian Angel Pins, Christmas Cookie Cutters, Letters to Santa, Boxed Leanin' Tree Christmas Cards, Beautiful Tree Ornaments, Christmas Mugs, Candle Gems and Candle Houses, Santa Jump Ropes and Ball & Jacks Sets, Lots of Other Stocking Stuffers.

Poinsettia To Be Given Away in Drawing at 5:00 p.m.

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The couple plan to be married at Trinity Church in Lubbock on January 7.

Miss Strong was graduated from Dalhart High School in 1989. She will graduate in December from Texas Tech University with a degree in family studies. She has been involved in youth ministry for the past three years at Trinity Church. Her youth ministry includes a weekly radio talk show and a national youth video program, both called "Street Jam". She co-hosts Street Jam with Youth Pastor Patrick Brown. She plans to pursue a masters degree in counseling at Asbury Theological Seminary in Wilmore, Kentucky.

Alexander was graduated in 1989 from Monterey High School in Lubbock. In May of 1994, he was graduated magna cum laude from Texas Tech, receiving the bachelor of science degree in psychology. He has been a member of Mortar Board, Senior Honor Society, Phi Delta Theta fraternity, Inter Fraternity Council, Greek Council for Christ. He has served as intern in the College Ministry at Trinity Church for the past year. He currently is attending Asbury Seminary in pursuit of a master of divinity degree.

He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Lem Weaver of Silverton and the late Mr. and Mrs. Donnell Alexander.

The couple will make their home in Wilmore. Their future goals are to serve together in ministry on college campuses.

### Happy Birthday To . . .

December 1—Bailey Jordan Bounds, Estella Trevino, Norma Garcia, Christi McWaters

December 2—Brenda Gaskins, Jena McFall, Stella Hall, Cameron Stephens

December 3—Fernando Patino, Beryl Long, Penny Carpenter

December 4—Desiree Star Casillas, Jimmy D. Stone, Lori Griffin, Elsie Cornett

December 5—Anita Ramsey

December 6—Ethan Long, Robert Cole Burson, Donaleta Garrison, Perry Brunson, Rosemary Perkins, Roy Wood, Annie Grabbe, Leland Wood

December 7—Jamie Frizzell, Dee McWilliams, Michael Rampley, Joshua Wade Bounds

### Happy Anniversary To . . .

December 1—Mr. and Mrs. Danny Perkins, Mr. and Mrs. Doug Turner

December 3—Mr. and Mrs. Ted Kingery

December 5—Mr. and Mrs. James Dunn

December 7—Mr. and Mrs. Jeff George, Mr. and Mrs. Duane Reynolds

### Visit in South Dakota

Neil and Sybil King and Lina Whittington recently have been in Pierre, South Dakota to visit the ladies' mother, Charlotte Baker, who resides in a nursing home there. They also visited another sister and her family, Iva and Clarence Russell, in Pierre. Neil's daughter and son-in-law, Becky and Chuck Sheppy of Omaha, Nebraska joined the group in Pierre. Neil and Chuck hunted pheasants and Sybil and Becky prepared a pheasant supper for the group.

### Spend Holiday in Santa Fe

Bronc, Amy, Butler, Forrest and Minnie Otis spent the Thanksgiving holiday visiting relatives in Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Butler celebrated his fourth birthday while in Santa Fe. He was honored again on November 28 by his parents and relatives in Silverton. He was very excited at having two birthday parties.

### Thanksgiving Guests

Thanksgiving Day dinner guests of Oford and Christine King were their daughters and families, Kathy and Joe Bob Via and boys of Happy and Brenda and Earl Rowan and daughter of Floydada, and his brother and sister-in-law, Neil and Sybil King.

### Senior Citizens To Have Birthday Party

Silverton Senior Citizens will have their monthly birthday party at the Center beginning at 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 6.

Those who have December birthdays will be honored. Those whose birthdays were celebrated in November will be hosts for this month's party.

### Smith Family Enjoys The Holidays

Thanksgiving was a big occasion for C. L. and Inez Smith. Their son, Clint Smith, daughter, Sherry, husband, David, and little girl, Phoenix Walden, all came from Dallas for the holiday.

They had a big day in the home of the Smith's eldest son, Don and Sue Smith, Jason and Kevin at their new home in Lubbock, along with three of Kevin's friends, also from Dallas.

The day following Thanksgiving, a big fish fry was held for all the family in the Smith home in Silverton, in celebration of the 75th birthday of C. L. Smith.

### Family Thanksgiving

Glenn and Winnie Smith were hosts for their traditional Thanksgiving dinner.

Those enjoying the turkey and dressing with all the trimmings were Donnie and Sandy Perkins, James, Becky, Danny and Ami Dunn, Patti, Magan and Matt Whittington of Quitaque, Terry and Ann West, Brad, Jeannine and J. T. West, Lynn, Connie and Kristi Smith, Jeff, Sonya and Derrik Smith, Tobe Riddell, Brian, Christy and Brianna West of Tulia called in the afternoon.

The afternoon was spent eating and watching the Dallas Cowboys.

### New Arrival

Merwin and Kelly Dunbar announce the arrival of their son, Ian Kirk Dunbar, on November 17, 1994. He weighed eight pounds and fifteen ounces.

Grandparents are C. D. and Betty Kirk of Amarillo. Great-grandmother is Iris Burson.

### Family Thanksgiving

Those enjoying the Thanksgiving holidays with Loretta Gamble and Tim were Dan Gamble, Jackie, Janice, Daniel, Josh and Kimberly, Gladewater; Shirley Aldridge, Ricky, Angelia, Mandy and Latecea, Harlon; Evelyn Warren, Joedy and Loretta Warren, all of Big Sandy; Linda Sain and Mindy Auston, Clarendon; two great-grandchildren, James Novak and Carlene Warren, West Mountain.

Nadyne Childress came by for a visit while on her way to have lunch with Vance at the nursing home in Floydada.

Lee Stidham visited in the Gamble home from Tyler that evening.

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David Tucker, Traci Michelle Jones

# Jones-Tucker Vows To Be Read Soon

John and Judy Griffin of Amarillo announce the engagement of their daughter, Traci Michelle Jones, to David Tucker, son of June Tucker of Spearman and the late Buck Tucker.

The couple plan to be wed February 18, 1995 at Coulter Road Baptist Church in Amarillo.

The bride-elect was graduated from

Amarillo High School and West Texas A&M University with a BBA degree in management. She is employed by Southwest General Contractors in Amarillo.

Her fiance is the sales manager at GCR Truck Center in Amarillo.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of J. L. and Bettie Williams.

priorities. Those who oppose it most vigorously are the same people who believe fervently that the federal government ought to redistribute this country's wealth — and if that isn't feasible, are eager to redistribute borrowed money.

On the taxing side of the ledger, reform must come to the federal income tax, which has grown into an unconscionable burden on the American people. Shortly after World War II, its effective rate was 2 percent. The highest effective rate now stands at 39.6 percent. That is before a taxpayer even begins to think about Social Security taxes, FICA and state and local taxes. We need to roll back the federal income tax rate imposed on middle class families through, among possible reductions, a \$500-per-child tax credit, a reduction of the marriage penalty and by adopting my bill to provide IRA equity for homemakers.

But the first area of government to which we should turn our attention is the Congress itself: both committee staffs and overall committee budgets should be trimmed. It would be both prudent and possible to reduce the salary portions of committee budgets by something like 25 percent across the board. This would represent the first "real" cut in legislative appropriations in decades. I think such a reduction is very important for two reasons: First, we Republicans campaigned on this issue. We must honor that commitment. Second, It is no secret that committee staffs are as bloated as the federal budget. There are too many staffers writing too many laws in order to justify their presence. The American people are being crushed under this mountain of legislation.

I have suggested to incoming Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole that he appoint a group of members to review needed changes in existing laws and regulatory reform with both near-term and long-term goals in mind. The near-term list should be put together before the 104th Congress convenes to consider repealing or amending various laws — using a common sense test as a basis for change. The test: Does the need for a law or regulation outweigh the cost in jobs and productivity?

I want Americans to see changes that show their signal was received, and their voices made a difference.

## Health is Topic Of Club's Meeting

Century of Progress Study Club held its monthly meeting at the City Hall in Silverton at 9:00 a.m. on November 17, 1994. The group assembled for coffee, tea and hot breakfast rolls with Mrs. Faye Rampley as hostess.

After a short business meeting, the ladies attended the Health Screening Clinic conducted by School Nurse Margie Pinkerton of Silverton ISD. In keeping with the theme of "Preservation," clubmembers had blood pressure and blood sugar checks, and some received flu shots for "Self Preservation" before proceeding to Panhandle to tour the Squarehouse

Museum.

The group had lunch at the Butter Churn in Panhandle, then toured the city and enjoyed the antique buildings, courthouse square, and hand-laid brick streets in the county seat of Carson County.

Hostess for the December meeting will be Mrs. Jackie Mercer.

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## Congress Must Demonstrate It Received Voters' Signal

Message to America: Signal received.

The results of the 1994 election are a mandate for change. The American people sent a clear signal that they want the role of federal government more than trimmed. They want big changes. The job of Congress now is to roll up its sleeves and start producing.

Congress' agenda for the next session must focus primarily on the measures which would create a smaller, less confiscatory government. What follows are some key initiatives that would bring about a profound reform of government on the federal level.

On the spending side of the ledger, there are several measures to enact that would have an immediate impact on controlling expenditures. Governors in 44 states have line-item veto authority, a check on wasteful spending and a tool for the precise excision of pork. Their states do not enjoy the luxury of deficit spending.

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**PUBLIC HEARING**

There will be a public hearing of the district performance of the AEIS (Academic Excellence Indicator System) for the Silverton Independent School District Thursday, December 8, 1994 at 7:30 p.m. in the board room. Publication of the shortened report is as follows. A full report will be on file for public viewing in the Superintendent's office. Silverton ISD was one of fifty-four districts receiving a recognized status for their performances on the TAAS scores.

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District Name: SILVERTON ISD  
District #: 023902

Indicator:		State	Region XVI	District
<b>TAAS % Passing Grade 3</b>				
Reading	Spr. 94	77.9%	83.8%	100.0%
Math	Spr. 94	83.0%	68.5%	91.7%
All Tests	Spr. 94	58.6%	64.1%	91.7%

Indicator:		State	Region XVI	District
<b>TAAS % Passing Grade 4</b>				
Reading	Spr. 94	75.5%	79.7%	81.3%
	Spr. 93	65.5%	72.2%	91.7%
Writing	Spr. 94	85.5%	88.4%	100.0%
	Spr. 93	83.4%	86.3%	100.0%
Math	Spr. 94	59.4%	64.5%	81.3%
	Spr. 93	52.6%	58.6%	81.8%
All Tests	Spr. 94	54.8%	59.2%	68.8%
	Spr. 93	47.4%	52.8%	75.0%

Indicator:		State	Region XVI	District
<b>TAAS % Passing Grade 5</b>				
Reading	Spr. 94	77.5%	83.5%	92.9%
Math	Spr. 94	82.6%	70.0%	92.9%
All Tests	Spr. 94	58.7%	68.0%	85.7%

Indicator:		State	Region XVI	District
<b>TAAS % Passing Grade 6</b>				
Reading	Spr. 94	74.1%	78.9%	95.0%
Math	Spr. 94	81.1%	69.1%	90.0%
All Tests	Spr. 94	58.6%	63.9%	85.0%

Indicator:		State	Region XVI	District
<b>TAAS % Passing Grade 7</b>				
Reading	Spr. 94	75.9%	82.4%	92.9%
Math	Spr. 94	59.7%	69.5%	100.0%
All Tests	Spr. 94	56.5%	66.1%	93.3%

Indicator:		State	Region XVI	District
<b>TAAS % Passing Grade 8</b>				
Reading	Spr. 94	77.2%	83.0%	95.2%
	Spr. 93	71.8%	77.6%	90.9%
Writing	Spr. 94	69.8%	76.2%	95.0%
	Spr. 93	73.9%	73.7%	100.0%
Math	Spr. 94	58.6%	65.6%	89.5%
	Spr. 93	51.1%	58.9%	45.5%
All Tests	Spr. 94	50.5%	57.9%	80.5%
	Spr. 93	48.2%	51.7%	45.5%

Indicator:		State	Region XVI	District
<b>TAAS % Passing Grade 10</b>				
Reading	Spr. 94	77.7%	81.0%	100.0%
	Spr. 93	72.8%	77.4%	82.5%
Writing	Spr. 94	82.5%	86.4%	94.7%
	Spr. 93	82.3%	86.8%	87.5%
Math	Spr. 94	58.4%	61.9%	83.2%
	Spr. 93	57.6%	63.5%	62.5%
All Tests	Spr. 94	53.5%	57.3%	63.2%
	Spr. 93	52.0%	53.0%	50.0%

# Lady Owls Roll Past Lazbuddie

Silverton's varsity and junior varsity Lady Owls rolled over Lazbuddie in games played there Tuesday night of last week.

The junior varsity girls opened the action with a big 54-25 win by the Lady Owls. Lacy Brunson burned the baskets with a huge 35-point effort for the winners. Molly Brooks tossed nine points into the baskets, including a three pointer; Kimmie Blazier rang up six and Kenzie Burson added four points.

The Lady Owls held big leads at the end of each quarter, jumping into a 12-4 first-quarter score and extending it to 30-12 by halftime. The board reflected a 41-18 lead at the end of three quarters.

The varsity Lady Owls rolled up an 18-9 first-quarter lead and at the midway stop led 25-15. They led 36-19 at the end of three and went on to post the 50-35 victory.

Leading the offense was Molly Bomar with a 19-point effort, followed closely by Dedra Johnston's two three pointers and 13 counters. Adding to the score were Brandi Brunson, eight; Leslee Weak's, seven; Michelle Warren, two, and Shannon Weaver dropped in a point from the line.

The Owls were defeated by the Longhorns 82-35, after hanging in there during the first half. The Owls trailed 11-22 at the end of the first quarter and 21-42 at halftime.

Jack Cherry led the scoring with 15 points, followed by Arnold Garza and Trey Wyatt with six points each; Brandon Sarchet, five; Cy Comer, two. Both Trey and Brandon hit three pointers.

The teams are in a tournament at Smyer this weekend. The Lady Owls play Three Way in Gym A beginning at 4:30 p.m. today (Thursday). The Owls have their first game with Three Way at 6:00 p.m. in Gym B. Winners

advance to play Smyer, and losers will have a bye (girls) and the boys would play the loser of the Dawson-Wilson game.

The Amherst boys have dropped out of the tournament due to still being in the state football playoffs.

## Junior High Wins One Game From Groom Monday

Silverton's Junior High Lady Owls romped to a 44-31 victory over Groom here Monday night, while their counterparts suffered defeats. All of the girls took part in the action.

The Lady Owls led 14-7 at the end of one quarter and went on to hold a 23-18 advantage at the midway point. They led 36-23 at the end of three quarters.

Unofficially, Misty Wilkinson led the offense with a big 16-point effort. Dara Ramsey also scored in double figures, getting 11 points. Adding to the score were Lindsey Weak's and Sara Kirchoffner with six points each; Lindsey Jennings, three, and Leslie Burkhart, two.

The seventh grade Owls took a 14-19 beating at the hands of the Groom Tiger Cubs. They trailed 4-6 at the end of the first quarter and 4-10 at halftime. They were behind 9-16 at the end of three quarters.

Scoring for the Owls were Nathan Francis, six points; Daniel Reagan and Jordan Sarchet, three points each, and Paul Donahoo, two points.

The eighth grade Owls lost for the first time this school year. They trailed 4-10 at the end of the first quarter and 10-25 at halftime. At the end of three quarters they were trailing 17-29, and finished on the short end of the 28-37

### S-CLUB BASKETBALL CONCESSION WORKERS 1994-95

DATE	GAME TIME	WORKERS
Tues. Dec. 6	4:00 JV 6:30 Var.	Brad, JonEtta & Trey Ziegler, Cindy, Larry, Cy Comer, Rick, Beverly, Ryan Minyard, Bryan, Dianne, David and Paul Donahoo
Fri. Dec. 16	4:00 JV 6:30 Var.	David and Debbie Holt and family, Frank, Janice and Sara Kirchoffner Bill, Janinne and Molly Brooks, David, Sheila and Daniel Reagan
Fri. Dec. 30	2:00 JV 4:30 Var.	Gary, Cathey and Lindsey Weak's, David, Dianne and Dara Johnston Anthony, Kathy and Shauna Kingery, David, Connie and Michelle Warren
Jan. 5-6-7	HOOT OUT	To be posted at a later date.
Mon. Jan. 9	5:00 JH	Perry, Marsha, Brandi, Lacy Brunson, Max, Sheryl and Shannon Weaver
Fri. Jan. 20	4:00 JV 6:30 Var.	Stan, Frances, David, Anthony Gamble, John, Gail and Trey Wyatt Barry, Michelle, Jared, Nathan Francis, Eddie, Charlotte Rhoderick and Kimmie Blazier
Mon. Jan. 23	4:00 JH 7th 6:00 JH 8th	Wayne, Tina and Holly Nance, Brad JonEtta and Trey Ziegler Doug, Lisa, Jackie Cherry, Ramona, Matt Martin
Mon. Jan. 30	4:00 JH 7th 6:00 JH 8th	Leslee Weak's, Kara Kingery, Nancy Young, Michelle Warren Wade, Mary Jo, Lori Brannon, Jimmy, Rhenda and Kenzie Burson
Tues. Jan. 31	5:00 JV 6:30 Var.	Dwight, Anita and Dara Ramsey, Gary, Cathey and Lindsey Weak's Rick, Bena and Will Hester, Juannah and Lindsey Jennings
Fri. Feb. 3	6:30 Var.	Dee, Pat, Jay Arnold, Mike, Estella, Mickey Juarez
Tues. Feb. 7	6:30 Var.	Rick, Beverly and Ryan Minyard, David, Sheila and Daniel Reagan

\*If you are unable to work on the assigned date and time, PLEASE try to find someone to take your place. If you are unable to find someone, please call Clyde Parham at 823-2476 on the day of the game.

score.

The Owls have not been getting their shots into the baskets, and in Monday's game they were getting whistled for a multitude of fouls and the sharp-shooting Tiger Cubs were putting a lot of free throws into the baskets.

Unofficially, Jay Arnold led the offense by scoring 12 points. Jeremy Holt was right behind him with 11. Jared Holt tossed four points in and David Donahoo rang up two points.

## Silverton School Lunchroom Menu

### LUNCH

Thursday, December 1—Steak and Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Syrup, Butter, Milk

Friday, December 2—Hamburger and Cheese, Salad, Fries, Milk, Cookie

Monday, December 5—Fish Platter, Coleslaw, Blackeyed Peas, Cornbread, Milk, Brownie

Tuesday, December 6—Lasagne, Salad, Corn, Bread Stix, Fruit, Milk

Wednesday, December 7—Beef and Vegetable Soup, Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Crackers, Fruit, Milk

Thursday, December 8—Fried Chicken, Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Syrup, Butter, Milk

Friday, December 9—Corndog, Green Vegetables, Tater Rounds, Fruit, Milk

### BREAKFAST

Thursday—Pancake and Syrup, Juice, Milk

Friday—Sausage, Biscuit, Juice, Milk

Monday—Cereal and Toast, Juice, Milk

Tuesday—Egg Burrito, Juice, Milk

Wednesday—Oatmeal Muffin, Juice, Milk

Thursday—Pancake, Syrup, Butter, Juice, Milk

Friday—Blueberry Muffin, Juice, Milk

## Silverton School Activities

Thursday, Friday, Saturday, December 1-2-3—Smyer Tournament

Friday, December 2—Dr. Turner speaks to high school

Saturday, December 3—Science Fair

Monday, December 5—District FFA Banquet; ASVAB Rep. to Review Test Results with Sr., 9:45/HE room

Tuesday, December 6—R Photography to take personality, BB and organization pics; Motley County, here, 5:00

Wednesday, December 7—IBM Invitational Program, 8:30

Thursday, December 8—Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, Friday, Saturday, December 8-9-10—Valley Tournament

Monday-Friday, December 5-9—School Book Fair

## 4-H Trap Shoot Set December 4

There will be a trap shoot beginning at 1:30 p.m. on Sunday, December 4, at the Tule Creek Shooting Range, two miles east of Tulia on FM 1318, then two miles north and one mile east.

Cash and other prizes will be awarded.

Light refreshments will be available.

The event is sponsored by Swisher County 4-H Exchange Trip. Adult leaders are David Gibson and Jim Bob Reynolds. For more information contact, Gibson or Reynolds, 995-3726; Donald Adams, 668-4618 or Henry Roach, 995-2477.

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## Area Case IH Salesman Sees Latest Products

David Reagan of Brown-McMurtry Implement in Silvertown was in St. Louis for an in-depth look at the latest in Case IH agricultural equipment.

Among other products, Reagan saw the next generation of Case IH Axial-Flow® combines. The first Axial-Flow combines,

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Reagan explained that the new 2144, 2166 and 2188 combines feature an all-new cab, as well as upgraded electronics, hydraulics and power train. "I'm looking forward to getting these out in the field with my customers," he said.

At the dealer meeting, Reagan received an update on Case, including its business and product-development plans. Earlier this year, Case stock was sold in a public offering for the first time in many years. Immediately prior to that, the company appointed a new president, Jean-Pierre Rosso, who has been spearheading important changes to improve product development and distribution, and customer service.

Reagan and other attending Case IH dealers also had the opportunity to involve their parts and service personnel in seminars on more than 30 subjects, as well as a parts trade fair featuring the latest products and services from supplies allied with Case.

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### Fewest Farms Since Before The Civil War

The 1992 Census of Agriculture shows that the United States had 1,925,300 farms, making it the first census since 1850 with fewer than two million farms. The census counted the highest number of farms, 6.8 million, in 1935. The value of U. S. agricultural products sold in 1992 reached \$163 billion. Even though the number of farms declined, overall farm production increased, thus continuing the trend towards more efficient agricultural productivity. The 333,865 farms with sales of \$100,000 or more accounted for only 17 percent of all farms, but 83 percent of total sales. There were

46,914 farms with sales of \$500,000 or more in 1992, compared to 32,023 farms of that size in 1987.

The increase in value of sales was largely due to increased crop production in 1992. Although total land in farms dropped from 965 to 946 million acres between 1987 and 1992, harvested cropland rose from 282 to 296 million acres, and crop sales rose by 28 percent in the same period. Farmer participation in Federal annual commodity programs has declined since 1987. Acres idled by those programs fell from 43 million acres in 1987 to seven million acres in 1992.

Notable regional shifts in milk cows and hogs have been taking place in recent censuses and have accelerated between 1987 and 1992. Since 1987, milk cow inventories decreased in 39 of the 50 states. Five Great Lakes states, Wisconsin, Minnesota, New York, Ohio and Pennsylvania had large declines. Collectively they lost 514,948 head, or 12 percent of their combined 1987 inventories. Five western and southwestern states, California, Texas, Washington, Idaho, and New Mexico added a total of 314,595 head. California and New Mexico accounted for 73 percent of that increase. Despite a nationwide decrease in the number of milk cows, the value of dairy products sold registered an 11 percent gain between 1987 and 1992 to a value of \$18 billion.

There has also been a shift in hog production. It has remained strong in traditional midwestern states such as Iowa, Illinois, Minnesota, Indiana and Nebraska. However, North Carolina registered a 108 percent growth in number of hogs sold in 1992 compared with 1987, becoming the second ranked state in number of hogs sold in 1992; up from sixth in 1987.

Sales of poultry and poultry products continued on an upward trend, registering a 21 percent increase between 1987 and 1992. Poultry and poultry products sales were \$15.4 billion in 1992, up \$2.7 billion from 1987. Alabama, Arkansas, California, Georgia and North Carolina accounted for 46 percent of all poultry and poultry products sold. The number of broilers sold was 5.4 billion.

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DATE	HIGH	LOW	PRECIP.
1	62	40	
2	84	40	
3	83	48	
4	80	53	.02
5	62	36	.31
6	65	36	
7	73	45	
8	75	44	
9	78	37	
10	54	28	
11	60	27	
12	66	36	
13	59	45	.06
14	66	37	
15	56	34	
16	55	25	
17	59	26	
18	64	24	
19	59	24	.24
20	58	33	.05
21	56	29	
22	57	31	
23	38	26	
24	42	28	
25	69	36	
26	57	37	
27	68	37	
28	51	21	
29	59	20	
Total Precip. in November			.68
Normal Precip. in November			.71
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**WEDNESDAY:**  
 Worship Service ..... 7:30 p.m.



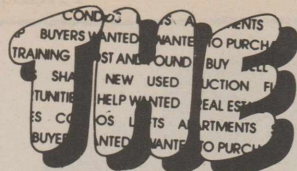
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 The icicles adorn the trees  
 And all the world would seem to freeze;  
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 A blessing we should recognize:  
 The love of God before our eyes,  
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— Gloria Nowak

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Finding a gift that is practical, yet shows that you care is a difficult task. The solution is the gift of fire safety, and the Texas Commission on Fire Protection has several suggestions.

First, consider giving a smoke alarm. National and state studies report that eight out of every 10 homes have smoke alarms, but that only three out of every 10 homes that experience fires have smoke alarms and that half of those do not work properly. The Texas Commission on Fire Protection asks Texans to bridge this gap by giving smoke alarms as gifts this holiday.

"Perhaps the home next to yours is one without a working smoke alarm," said Michael E. Hines, executive director of the Commission on Fire Protection. "Because most homes where fires occur don't have smoke alarms, those of us who do have smoke alarms must help. The gift of a smoke alarm

says you care."

Hines explained that even if your neighbor or friend already has a smoke alarm, consider giving a second alarm this holiday. "Adding smoke alarms increases your protection against fires," he said.

For stocking stuffers, buy batteries for the smoke alarm. Most smoke alarms use 9-volt or AA batteries.

For protection for the entire home, consider interconnected smoke alarms. In this type of fire alarm system, all of the fire alarms go off if one alarm goes off.

Another type of alarm that makes a thoughtful gift is a carbon monoxide detector. Carbon monoxide is a byproduct of incomplete combustion. This means that the burning process does not have enough oxygen to completely consume the fuel. Heating equipment that uses a burning process, such as a natural gas heater or a fireplace, can release carbon monoxide if it is not vented properly. Carbon monoxide is odorless and invisible, and symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning are similar to those of the flu or a cold.

Several types of carbon monoxide detectors are not marketed to the consumers. You can choose from battery-operated or plug-in models. All models sound an alarm when carbon monoxide levels reach a pre-set level; some models also give a digital readout of carbon monoxide levels.

Finally, consider giving fire extinguishers to those you love. Who could use an extinguisher? A young driver with a new car, a new homeowner, a college student on his own for the first time. Be sure to match the fire extinguisher with its intended use. The label on the extinguisher will tell whether it is rated for use in an automobile or a boat, for the whole house or just for kitchen use.

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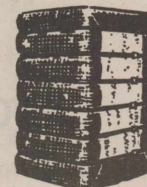
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# Happy Christmas To All and To All A Fire-Safe Night

Are you tired of the traditional holiday sayings? Here's a few new sayings for the holiday season to share with your family and friends: Water your Christmas tree, and don't forget to turn out the lights!

The suggestion comes from the Texas Commission on Fire Protection, a state agency involved in various aspects of fire prevention and fire suppression.

"When you consider the tens of thousands of natural Christmas trees sold in Texas each year, there are amazingly few Christmas tree fires," said Michael E. Hines, executive director of the Commission on Fire Protection; "however, because dried-out trees are so combustible, it's like keeping a six-foot stack of kindling in your living room. When a fire does start in a Christmas tree, it is usually devastating, occasionally fatal to anyone at home."

In 1993, about 75 fires started in Christmas trees, according to the Texas Fire Incident Reporting System. Five people died in those fires, one of the highest death rates for a single fire cause.

To assure that your Christmas tree will still be standing safely when Santa arrives and to prevent other common holiday fires, the Commission on Fire Protection recommends the following steps:

(1) Keep natural trees well watered and moist.

Natural trees require special care. According to fire statistics, natural trees used as decorations in the home are three times as likely as artificial trees to be involved in fires.

Water the tree daily. Letting the water supply run out even once can keep the tree from drawing any more water through the trunk. Heaters dry the air, which dries natural trees. Use a humidifier to replace air moisture.

As the tree dries, don't leave lights on for extended times. Never leave a lighted tree unattended.

(2) Use electric lights safely.

Faulty or unattended electrical lights cause about half of all accidental

Christmas tree fires each year, according to fire statistics. Be sure someone is at home and awake whenever decorative lights are on. Turn off all of the lights before going to sleep.

Read and follow the directions that come with the light set. The directions on the box usually tell how many sets can be connected together safely. Hint: Use a permanent marker to label the cord. For example, if the package says "Do not connect more than six light sets," mark the plug with "6".

Don't overload extension cords. Use a separate extension cord for each group of connected lights.

(3) Dispose of natural trees and decorations safely.

The largest number of Christmas tree fires occur during January when the trees have been put out for trash collection. Take used trees and branches to recycling centers or landfills. This will keep children from being tempted to experiment with matches and the dried greenery.

(4) Be careful with candles in holiday decorations.

Fire statistics show that candles are a common cause of holiday-decoration fires. The best option is to replace wax candles with battery-operated candlesticks. If wax candles are used, be sure that someone is in the room whenever the candles are burning. Use glass mantles with all candle holders. Put out all candles before going to sleep or leaving the home.


(5) Remember home fire safety.

Be sure there are working smoke alarms near all bedrooms. Give smoke alarms as gifts to those who don't have smoke alarms or who need to replace old smoke alarms.

Don't leave cooking unattended, such as leaving a turkey in the oven while everyone is out shopping. Plan and practice a home fire drill, especially when overnight guests are in the home.

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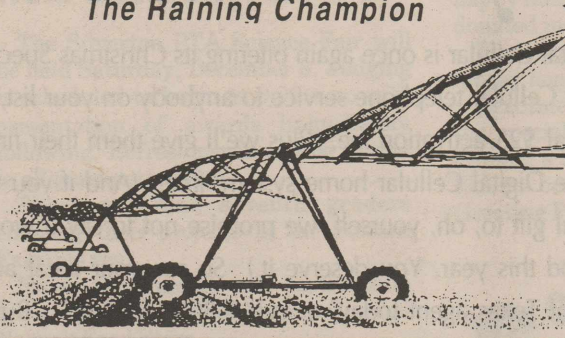
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# TELCOT Report

A WEEKLY SUMMARY OF COTTON MARKETING NEWS

For the Week Ending November 23

Evidence continues to mount that cotton crops in Pakistan, India and Egypt are lower than most recent estimates due to adverse weather and insects. Thus, it comes as no surprise that world cotton prices continue to advance.

As prices maintain their upward momentum, they seem to be feeding the bullish sentiment that has persisted for several weeks. In fact, it is obvious that many traders believe prices will go even higher as they roll their December futures to March in notably heavy volume. The spread between December and March futures has widened considerably this week under heavy rolling activity; however, some traders noted that even if deliveries were to surface, the spread is enough to cover

carrying charges.

Underlying bullishness for cotton futures in recent weeks had come in part from a strong U. S. export outlook amid the crop shortfalls in other countries. According to one noted

entomologist who recently visited Pakistan, the disastrous bollworm problem in that country was aided by heavy rains, vegetative plant growth, along with inefficient and untimely sprayings. Some analysts feel that Pakistan will only produce slightly more than 6.0 million bales this year.

Some trade analysts continue to believe the country could be a net importer this year. Earlier this week, Pakistan's government approved a relief package for the textile sector including the complete removal of all duties on raw cotton imports. Meanwhile, a delegation from the country's Cotton Export Corporation was in Central Asia this week to discuss Pakistan's import requirements.

Reports from India indicate that the cotton crop may be suffering from the same pest difficulties as Pakistan. It

appears that the white fly continues to be a problem this year and is now spreading a virus which is now dubbed "leaf crumple virus". Some estimates place India's crop at 10.1 million bales versus USDA's most recent estimate of 10.4 million bales.

Egypt's agriculture minister stated this week his country's 1994-95 cotton crop is now estimated at 850,000 bales, which is less than half of last year's production. As a result, Egypt has suspended all raw cotton exports. This could facilitate further sales of U. S. upland cotton if the Egyptian government can be persuaded to allow imports from the U. S. east coast ports where fumigation facilities also are available.

USDA announced export sales of 1994-95 U. S. cotton increased a net 175,200 bales in the week ended November 17, up considerably from the previous week's figure of 112,200 bales. Notably, Egypt was a featured buyer at 45,000 bales for the week. Other featured buyers were China, Hong Kong, Thailand and Taiwan.

This recent strong foreign demand for U. S. cotton may present a double-edged sword for U. S. merchants and growers in the near future since the U. S. becomes less competitive in the world market as great demand drives cotton prices higher. Step two of the competitiveness program allows for the issuance of export certificates, currently the certificate is valued at 234 points. The adjusted world price for upland cotton continues to rise each week and is quoted at 64.59 cents per pound for the week beginning November 25. If the adjusted world price rises above sixty-five cents, exporters are no longer eligible for step two certificates. Thus U. S. cotton prices would be less attractive to exporters; however, due to availability and an infrastructure conducive to delivering cotton in a timely manner, America still attracts its fair share of importers.

On the domestic front, the U. S. Census Bureau figures released this week showed domestic mills in October consumed cotton at a seasonally-adjusted annualized rate of 10.965 million bales, down 1.2 percent from the September figure; however, a nonadjusted rate indicates a slight increase in consumption boosting the October demand to the highest level since 1942. Mill demand has been heightened slightly due in part to the global situation in cotton.

On the other hands, the Census Bureau's report did not show that U. S. mills currently are reluctant to purchase large quantities of cotton for future consumption. The strong price scenario at this time has made mill buyers cautious, making purchases on a hand-to-mouth basis in hopes that prices will decline.

Spot sales of Texas/Oklahoma cotton on TELCOT for the four trading days ending November 23 totaled 69,477 bales, down from the previous week's 156,026 bales.

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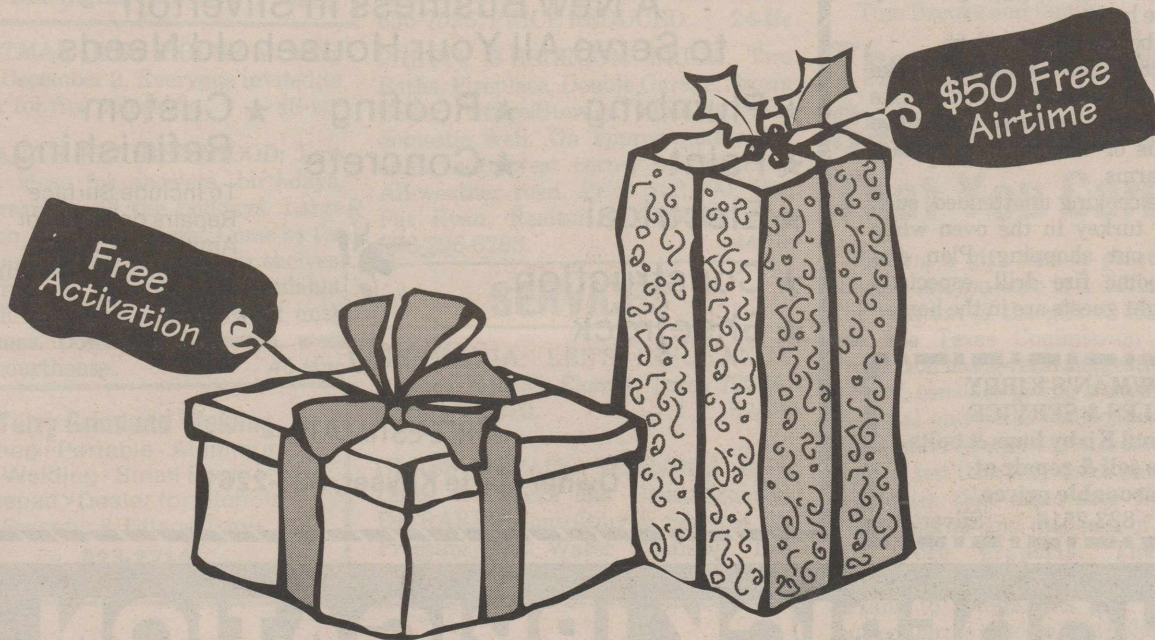
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