



I've predicted for weeks now that one of the teams Silverton played this season would be the eventual state champion, but I was wrong as to which one it might be. So many people told me that Guthrie just had to be the best that I fell under the spell. I knew Lazbuddie and Amherst both had good teams, but the injuries that kept key players out of the game at both of these schools threw me off as to which was best. Some of the Lazbuddie fans said that Amherst was at full strength when they beat them. Obviously, this wasn't true. Charlie and I agreed when we saw Amherst play that they had a very good team and one that would go far, partly on the strength of their kicking game. They converted most of their extrapoint opportunities, and the teams that can't do this just can't keep up in a close game.

So here we are in the last week of football. It's all on the line now, and the championship game will be played Saturday at 7:30 p.m. at Abilene between Amherst and Milford. I think this speaks well of our district that our runner-up team is either the first- or second-best team in the state!

Anthony Minyard, former Silverton resident, will graduate from Sam Houston State University December 18, with a bachelor of science degree in criminal justice-law enforcement. He is currently employed by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice-Institutional Division at the Holliday Transfer Facility Unit. He is the son of Fred and Linda Minyard of Huntsville.

This is one of those fun stories that newspaper reporters love to write. It is a story about people who find one another, then lose track of one another, then find one another again.

It starts simply enough, with just these lines, "When the evening sun is setting . . . And your thoughts from care are free . . . When of absent ones you're thinking . . . Will you sometimes think of me?"

Glenna Fraser, a Canadian, wrote those words to her Texas pen pal more

Long-Range Extension Program is Unveiled

In March of 1994, forty-two Briscoe County residents representing Silverton and Quitaque gathered together to identify the current and upcoming issues affecting Briscoe County. Members identified a variety of issues related to Health, Safety and Well-Being; Environmental Stewardship and Natural Resources; Economic Competitiveness, Viability and Stability; and Development of Life Skills and Leadership Qualities.

The issues identified at this meeting have been researched, reviewed and written into a formal plan. This plan, the Long-Range Extension Program (LREP) will be distributed to Study Group Participants and any other interested persons at the Briscoe County Extension Program Meeting on Thursday, December 15.

The program for the evening will

Commodities To Be Given Dec. 15

Commodities will be given to those who are eligible to receive them between 9:00 and 10:30 a.m. Thursday, December 15, at the Showbarn in Silverton.

Please bring a box or bag to carry the commodities home.

If you want someone else to pick up your commodities for you, you need to make arrangements for this in advance with the County Judge's Office.

include a Mexican-Stack Dinner, reports on the Issue Areas identified, distribution of the LREP's, and a special program entitled "Parental Influences on Children" presented by Dr. Martha Couch. Everyone is welcome to attend this event. Persons are asked to RSVP the number in their family attending, to the Extension Office at 823-2131 by December 13, to sign up to bring an ingredient for the Mexican-Stack Dinner. The event will be held at the Methodist Church in Silverton beginning at 6:30 p.m. For more information, please call 823-2131.

Health Clinic Dec. 16 At Silverton City Hall

Another community health clinic will be held at the Silverton City Hall Friday, December 16. There will be blood pressure and blood sugar tests and flu shots will be given to those needing them.

Contact Margie Pinkerton, R. N., School Nurse, 823-2476, for an appointment. Walk-ins will be seen on a first-come, first-served basis. HOUSES FOR SALE: Large two

bedroom; vacant, available. 1006 Main Street. Also Vacant Home under repair. 802 Pulitzer. Make offer. Possible owner finance. Terms. Joe Baker, 293-0463. 49-2tp

County News and the North Pole, children can again mail their letters to Santa. Just write your letter to Santa, take it to the Post Office and mail it in the "special" mailbox inside the lobby.

Your letter will be printed in the Briscoe County News and forwarded on to Santa. Don't be late! The mailbox is ready for YOUR letter.

Time to Send

Letters to Santa

Through special arrangements

between the Post Office, Briscoe

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. Proceeds of the project will be divided equally between the Wood-Strange Memorial Scholarship Fund and the Silverton Senior Citizens.

The club members ask that, in lieu of sending Christmas cards locally, you donate to the local projects 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.

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!

Briscoe County Area Declared Contiguous

In response to a request from Governor Ann Richards, the U. S. Department of Agriculture has declared Swisher County as a natural disaster area and has designated six contiguous disaster counties.

Governor Richards' request came on the heels of damages and losses caused



than 50 years ago. She was writing to Freda Wimberly, who lived on a ranch near Silverton.

"We were just about as different as two young girls could be," Freda remembers. Freda later married Harold Seefeldt and the two ended up in San Angelo, where they reared a family and still live today.

The story started in 1936 when the Canadian and Texan began writing one another. "I don't know who wrote first or how we got started," Freda said. It was probably part of a pen pal project See LOOKING BACK -**CONTINUED ON PAGE TWO**

Paul Donahoo and Daniel Reagan, seventh graders, presented the first-place project at the PTA Science Fair Saturday morning. **Briscoe County News Photo**

by extensive rain and hail last May and again on July 9. The contiguous counties are Armstrong, Briscoe, Castro, Floyd, Hale and Randall.

The declaration allows family farmers to qualify for Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) emergency loans for damages and losses caused by the storms. Emergency loan applications will be received through June 26, 1995, for physical and production losses, according to the USDA Farm Service Agency. Local FmHA county offices can provide affected farmers with further information and assist them in completing applications for assistance.

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Youth to Deliver Christmas Cards

Mary Ann Sarchet

Stop! Don't mail those in-town Christmas cards. Instead, let your Christmas greetings be hand-delivered with personal warmth and a holiday smile by local youth. Bring your cards by the fellowship hall of First Baptist Church and put them in the Joy Box. There is also a "postage" canister next to the box; if you would like to donate a part of the usual postage cost to the youth project. All proceeds will go toward the Lottie Moon Foreign Mission Christmas Offering which supports mission and relief work all over the world.

Currently work is being done in many "hot" spots such as Nicaragua, Croatia, Zaire, Uganda, Haiti, Gaza, South Asia, the former USSR and Rwanda.

Please have your cards at the church by December 18. Be sure to have a name, street address and return address on the cards.

The youth appreciate your letting them be a part of your holiday spirit!

Go Owls, Lady Owls!

Image: A standard and a standard an

Amarillo A&M Club To Host Dinner Party

The Amarillo A&M Club will host a dinner at the Radisson Hotel, I-40 & Lakeside, Monday, December 19. The cocktail hour and dinner will begin at 6:30 p.m. and is open to the public.

Cost of the dinner is \$15.00 per person, with a cash bar available. Reservations are required and need to be made by 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, December 14. For reservations, call Scott Herrick at 376-6625.

Featured speaker for the dinner will be Dr. Ray M. Bowen, the 21st President of Texas A&M University. His topics will include current and future status of Texas A&M, as well as special academic programs, admissions, and athletics. Dr. Bowen is a member of the Texas A&M Class of 1958 where he holds both bachelor's and Ph.D. degrees in mechanical engineering. He received a master's degree in the same field from the California Institute of Technology.

The A&M Club wishes to encourage not only A&M students and former students to attend, but anyone interested in Texas A&M University and its programs.

Price to Increase On Subscriptions

Postal rates are going up, and the Briscoe County News is no longer able to hold the line on subscription prices. As of January 1, 1995, subscription prices will be \$13.50 in Briscoe and adjoining counties; \$14.50 in other locations in Texas, and \$15.50 for outof-state subscriptions.

If you need work done on your vehicle, just call 995-3565 during the day, or call 823-2039 (Joe) or 823-2498 (Dale) after 7:00 p.m. They will pick up your vehicle in the morning, drive it to Tulia, make the repairs needed, and return it to you in the evening. Remember, we're just a phone call away! **GRABBE-SIMPSON** Motors, Inc.

Christmas Pageant to Be Presented Dec. 19 At Nazareth Church

Holy Family Parish of Nazareth is proud to invite you to its 16th Christmas Pageant on Sunday, December 18 and Monday, December 19, at 8:00 p.m. at Holy Family Catholic Church.

The pageant depicts the story of Christ's life beginning with the "Annunciation" and continuing through the first 12 years of Jesus' life to his return to the biblical town of Nazareth. The pageant story is told through songs, narrations and acting.

The Christmas Pageant, a dream of former Holy Family pastor Father Stanley Crocchiola, was first presented in 1972. The pageant was presented each year through 1982. Donna Birkenfeld, who died in 1974 in an automobile accident, was the originator and director of the first two pageants, composing two songs especially for the pageant that are still used today. This year her daughter, Kirsten Verkamp, will portray Mary, and Kirsten's husband, Harold, will portray Joseph. Donna's husband, Leslie, will be the innkeeper.

As the event grew, exquisite costumes were sewn by women of the community, as their farmer-husbands built backdrops and stages that were later painted by local amateur artists.

The choir performs under the direction of Sharon Brockman, who took over the directing of the choir after the death of Donna Birkenfeld. Stage direction is handled by Ralph Brockman, assisted by Patti Kern. Mary Lynn Olvera and Winifred Wagner are this year's musicians. Everyone involved in the production of the pageant is a member of Holy Family Parish.

The evening begins at 7:30 p.m. with carol singing. Admission is free. Everyone is invited to come and share the Christmas spirit. For reservations, (encouraged, but not necessary) please call 806-945-2534.

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created by a school teacher, she figures.

The Canadian girl sent Freda the above-quoted poem for her "autograph book". And though the two friends never met, they corresponded faithfully for eight years.

In 1944, Freda wrote that she was marrying Harold and was moving with him to California. "Glenna wrote, once more, to my old address, then we just never wrote again," Freda said.

It's not that they intentionally stopped, she said. "But she was younger and not married. I guess she figured I was moving on to a new chapter of my life, and truthfully, I guess I was."

About 20 years ago, Freda tried writing Glenna at an old address. But Glenna had moved. The letter came back. Freda didn't write again.

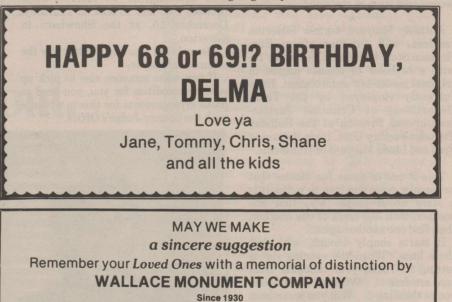
Then, last February, Freda picked up a travel brochure and noticed that a New England-Nova Scotia tour had a stopover scheduled in Fredericton-Glenna's hometown. "Right then and there, I told Harold,

Tm going to find Glenna'," Freda said. She wrote the editor of the Fredericton newspaper. "He called me back in less than a week and told me he'd found her, that she was still living in Fredericton," Freda said.

And that's how they ended up having supper together last fall at a Canadian restaurant. "We both think it's incredible that we've gotten back in touch after so many years," Freda said.

They're writing one another again and don't intend to stop this time. Plus, Glenna may come south next spring on a visit to Texas.

"The name of our tour company was 'Incredible Journeys', and it's certainly incredible how we've picked back up after all those years. We've come back into each other's lives," Freda said, "and this time we're not going away."



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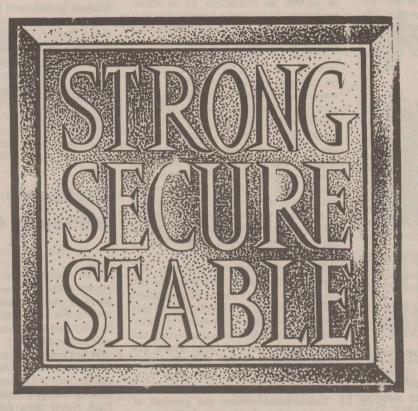
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December 6, 1984—Ronnie Chestnut is new manager of Schooler-Gordon Funeral Home . . . With a light drizzle falling and freezing on cars, trees and shrubs at the time the paper was being prepared this week, the November moisture was creeping toward the two-inch mark . . . Mr. and Mrs. Mike McGinn are parents of a son, Brandon Lee . . . Pheasant season will be in full swing Saturday . . . Lee Burnett & Company, an advertising agency from Riverdale, New York, spent several days in November at

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Caprock Canyons State Park north of Quitaque filming scenes for Marlboro cigarette advertisements which will appear in magazines soon . . . Mr. and Mrs. Jene Montague are parents of a son, Jason Price . . . Mr. and Mrs. Joe D. Anderson are parents of a daughter, Ashley Elizabeth . . . Knee problems are plaguing the Owlettes, with Kathy Brown and Alesha Patton having gone down with injuries . . . Claudine May has been a patient at Central Plains Hospital . . . Bryan Burson broke both bones in his leg in an accident at the ranch Saturday morning . . .

December 5, 1974—Mrs. E. C. Newman took Mrs. Belle Olive and Betty to Lockney Monday, and the doctor kept Mrs. Olive in the hospital . . . Mrs. L. B. Garvin, jr. entered High Plains Hospital in Amarillo Sunday and underwent surgery Tuesday...Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Comer and Christi spent Thanksgiving weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Dudley and Mr. and Mrs. Leo Comer and Kelly. ...Jana Futch, John Minyard exchange marriage vows in formal ceremony at Lorenzo...Margaret Hester and Janice Hill are the adult leaders of the Junior Girl Scout Troop that had its investiture service November 26. The girls are Sara Lain, Delinda Ziegler, Shelli Hester, Tandy McJimsey, Annette Kingery, Amy Perkins, Denee Ford, Missy Brown, Susie Tipton, Dee Ann Strange, Dena Green, Vicki McJimsey, Irma Davila, Katy Francis, Scotti Fleming, Cynthia Hale and Melinda Sutton...Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hyatt to be honored on golden wedding anniversary...



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December 5, 1964-Kennith Garvin was seriously injured in a gin accident here Sunday evening. His arm became entangled in some of the equipment. It was first thought that he might lose the arm, but later reports indicated that it would not have to be removed . . . The Silverton Owls and Owlettes continued their winning streak by defeating the Quitaque cagers and the teams from Claude in two double headers here last week. On Tuesday night of this week, the Silverton and Quitaque teams split two, with the Owlettes winning and the Owls tasting defeat for the first time this year . . . Fire swept through Donie Hester's shop east of Silverton early Tuesday morning. Silverton firemen answered the call, but were not in time to save any of the shop or the woodworking tools which were inside. Firemen concentrated their efforts on saving an adjoining building and its contents. Mr. and Mrs. Hester are known throughout this area for their skill in building and finishing furniture and novelty items . . . Becky Thomas, a student at the Hotel Dieu School of Nursing in El Paso, spent the Thanksgiving holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Thomas, jr., other relatives and friends . . . Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Kirk, Kelly and Karen spent the Thanksgiving holidays with area relatives, including his mother, Mrs. Jewel Kirk, and sister, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Bell; Mrs. Kirk's parents, Mr. and Mrs. True Burson, and Mr. Kirk's sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Peugh, Kathy and Darla . . . Brad Ziegler, sixyear-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Riley Ziegler, underwent an appendectomy Monday at Swisher County Hospital . .

December 12, 1954-The husbands of the members of the Francis Helping Hand Club were honor guests at a dinner Monday at Mrs. Newman's Kitchen. Low score in "42" was made by Lowell Callaway; high scorer for men was Wade Steele. Low scorer for the ladies was Mrs. John Lee Francis; high scorer was Mrs. Edwin Crass. Attending were Messrs. and Mmes. U. D. Brown, Scott Smithee, Edwin Crass, Garland Francis, Wade Steele, Lowell Callaway, Alva C. Jasper, Aubrey Rowell, Virgil Baldwin, Jack Harris, Lenton Lanham, Sonny Gauntt, Jack Sutton, J. D. McGavock and Jack Jowell . . . Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mack Walker and sons were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Shorty Hartman and children at Lone Star . . . The Clyde Mercer home was damaged by a fire that started in a clothes closet where most of the family's clothes were Richard Eddleman, a hanging . student at Cisco Junior College, arrived home Friday to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Eddleman and family . . . Silverton Bteam wins Lakeview Tournament . Funeral services conducted for Jess Bean . . . Mr. and Mrs. Charles Francis

were shopping in Plainview Monday ... December 14, 1944—Mrs. Ferris Wade, the former Kathryn Norrid, received word last week that her husband, Lt. Wade, was missing in action in Belguim . . . Staff Sergeant Robert J. Montague, 27, who is serving with the veteran 306th Bombardment Group as a waist gunner in England, has been awarded the Air Medal for "exceptionally meritorious achievement" . . . Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Anderson, two of Silverton's most loved and esteemed pioneer citizens, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary Sunday . . . Editor Roy Hahn wrote: "As far as this old rough and ready, catch as catch can Yours True?ly column that you are used to-there just isn't any. My brain is dead. If Ann Sheridan came in and put on a strip tease right here in the front office, I don't believe I could get more than one eye open at a time"... Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cowart are parents of a daughter, Rebecca Pearl .



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Lori Reid Lori Reid Doing Well In Jewelry Design

The Texas Tech Art Department recently held a show of jewelry designed and created by Lori Reid, a senior jewelry design major. She presented eighteen original pieces.

Miss Reid also traveled to New York City with other Tech students and teachers to receive an award of \$250.00 for her entry in the National Student Design Competition sponsored by Couer D'Alene Mines Corp. There were 156 entries from 56 schools across the United States. Lori won fourth place in the jewelry division with her silver hinged necklace.

Miss Reid is a 1990 graduate of Randall High and will receive her bachelor of fine arts degree at Tech December 17.

Lori is the daughter of Jim and Sheila Reid of Amarillo, and is the granddaughter of Pauline Jarnagin and J. W. and Betty Reid, all of Silverton.

A complete set of instructions for the first-time smoker.

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Silverton Public Library News

New books in the library include: by Belva Plain. "Blessings," Characters are

Jennie Rakowsky, only child of Holocaust survivors, she was the perfect daughter-even as she led a double life.

Peter Mendes, a Jewish aristocrat, he was the son of a proud old Georgia family who dared bring Jennie into a world beyond her wildest dream. The price of their love was tragedy-and a secret buried in the darkest past.

Jay Wolfe, who adored Jennie-the woman he planned to marry, the fellow lawyer, the companion whose heart and soul he thought he knew.

Jill Miller, the stranger, the beautiful outsider who threatens Jennie's life. She was the truth and she hurt.

Complimentary copy of "Who's Who Among American High School Students."

New Arrival

Stan and Brandy Gamble of Ulysses, Kansas are parents of a daughter, Brandy Nicole Gamble, born December 8 in Liberal, Kansas. She weighed five pounds and ten ounces.

Grandparents are Stanley and Frances Gamble and Brenda Springer, all of Silverton, and Rod Springer of Dallas

Great-grandparents are Frances Edwards and Loretta Gamble, both of Silverton, Bill Rackley of Estelline and Ruth Springer of Lubbock.

Couple to Observe Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Youngquist of Lubbock will celebrate forty years of marriage on December 17, 1994. Their children, Robert Youngquist of Lubbock; Larita Barkley of Haysville, Kansas; Gaylon Youngquist and Glenda Nalle, both of Lubbock, will honor their parents at a gathering in the home of their parents at 8107 Gary in Lubbock at 2:00 p.m. that day.

Mrs. Youngquist is the former Helen Vaughan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ewing Vaughan of Silverton. She and

Mr. Youngquist exchanged marriage vows at the First Baptist Church in Silverton on December 17, 1954. You are invited to join the family and

friends on this joyous occasion.



Water Conservation: In The Bathroom

Water Conservation: making the most efficient use of the state's precious water resources. The first step in conserving water is to realize that each of us has an obligation to be water conscious. This means recognizing and participating in the various ways that we can save water.

65% of an individual's water usage is in the home, while 35% occurs outside on the lawn and garden. 49% of home water use occurs in the bathroom. Let's go to the bathroom to take our first step toward water conservation.

Installing a low-flow showerhead is the single most effective conservation step that can be taken inside the home. Taking a shower, instead of a bath will usually save water and a short shower will save even more. A low-flow showerhead will save about one-half of the water currently being used in the shower, while still providing a refreshing and cleansing shower.

The second most effective step that can be taken inside the home is the installation of a water displacement device in the toilet. The purpose of this device is to reduce the volume of water used in each flush without affecting the water height in the tank. There are three different types of displacement devices. They include the toilet dam, toilet bag and the plastic bottle.

Toilet dams reduce the amount of water used and save one-half to two gallons of water per flush. They are available from plumbing supply stores, as are the toilet bags. A displacement bag can also be used in place of a dam and will save between one-half and one gallon of water per flush. The third device is a plastic bottle which is filled with water and weighted down with a few stones; it will save one-half to one gallon per flush. The bottle should be

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placed in the tank so that it will not interfere with the flushing mechanism. Any displacement device used should be checked periodically to make sure the device has not moved out of place. Bricks should not be used in the tank because small pieces can break off and permanently damage the plumbing system.

Stay tuned until next week to learn more ways that you can save water or call the Briscoe County Extension Office.

Happy Birthday To . . .

December 8-Norby Garcia

December 9-Danielle Netro December 10-Tisa Whitfill, Fay Perkins, Manuel Aguilar, Tim Mattheus December 11-Dock Wallace, Kori

Bailey December 12-Earl Cantwell, Tom

Burson, Dora Storie, Lupe Aguilar December 13-Debbie McGavock,

Jason Turner, Mary Melendez December 14-Mark Burk, Zoe

Steele, Gabriel Patino, J. L. West

Happy Anniversary To . . .

December 8-Mr. and Mrs. Guinn Fitzgerald

December 11-Mr. and Mrs. Jack Estes, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Cantwell

Food Safety Advice Is Given By 4-H'ers

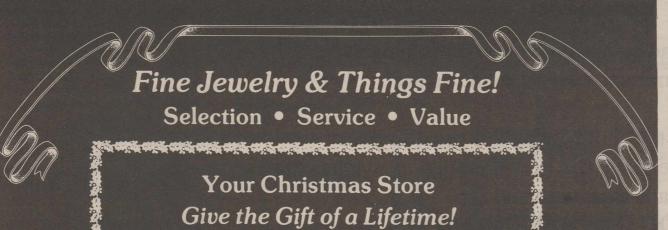
by Molly and Jeremiah Brooks

The holidays are just around the corner and everyone knows that food plays a major part in the holiday season. We have prepared some helpful holiday tips to help you keep your food safe and you healthy.

When you prepare food, keep everything clean. Thawing food in the refrigerator is also important in helping to keep bacteria from growing in your food. Never thaw food on the kitchen counter at room temperature. Cook food thoroughly when you prepare it. It takes thorough cooking to kill harmful bacteria. When you serve food, you should never leave it out for over two hours. Bacteria that can cause food poisoning grows quickly at warm temperatures

When you handle leftovers, divide large amounts of leftovers into small, shallow containers for quick cooling in the refrigerator. Don't pack the refrigerator-cool air must circulate to keep food safe. When reheating foods, bring sauces, soups and gravy to a boil. Heat other leftovers thoroughly to 165°F. Don't keep foods too long. Remember the rule: when in doubt, throw it out! Never taste food that looks or smells strange, just to see if you can still use it. Just throw it out!

Hope your holidays are food safe and happy.



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Reagan-Donahoo Win Science Fair

The Silverton PTA Science Fair was held Saturday, December 3, in the school cafeteria. There were nine seventh graders entering their science projects. Paul Donahoo and Daniel Reagan received the first-place award for their Alternate Energy Sources project.

Second place was awarded for a project on Pollution presented by Lisa Comer and Sara Kirchoffner.

Jordan Sarchet and Charlie Bomar presented a Pasturization project which won third place.

Also entering projects were Lori Edwards, Kayla Davis and Ryan Minyard.

participant received Each combination tickets to the Omnimax

Silverton School Lunchroom Menu

LUNCH

December 12-Deli Monday, Sandwich, Fries, Fruit Cup, Milk

Tuesday, December 13-Burrito and Cheese, Corn, Salad, Corn Rounds, Sweet Rolls, Milk

Wednesday, December 14-Beef and Vegetable Soup, Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Crackers, Fruit, Milk Thursday, December 15—Hamburger

and Cheese, Salad, Fries, Cookie, Milk Friday, December 16-Chili Dog,

Tater Rounds, Fruit, Jello, Milk BREAKFAST

Monday-Egg Burrito, Juice, Milk Tuesday-Ham and Cheese Biscuits, Juice, Milk

Wednesday-Cinnamon Toast, Juice, Milk

Thursday-Sausage and Pancake on a Stick, Juice, Milk

Friday-Cheese Toast, Juice Milk

Student Personalities Are Chosen At School

Student personalities have been chosen by the Silverton School student body, and will be featured in the school vearbook.

Mr. and Miss SHS are Jess Brannon and Brandi Brunson. Jack Cherry and Lori Brannon were chosen as Most Handsome and Most Beautiful.

Best Dressed are Jack Cherry and Josie Vargas. Jess Brannon and Brandi Brunson were chosen as Most Popular.

Billy Edwards and Lacy Brunson were named Wittiest, and Zeb Holt and Dedra Johnston were selected as Most Athletic.

Class Favorites chosen were Jack Cherry and Lacy Brunson, freshmen; Billy Edwards and Minerva Patino, sophomores; Jeremiah Brooks and Molly Bomar, juniors; DeWayne Juarez and Brandi Brunson, seniors. Theatre and Science Spectrum in Lubbock, and a medal, and prizes were awarded to the winners of first, second and third places.

Recognized as donors to the Science Fair this year were Johnson's Gin and Nance's Food Store.

Judges performing the difficult job of choosing winners were Carolyn Lowrey, Matt Kast and Betty Nan Tiffin.

Mike Long also was recognized for all the hours of work and encouragement given to those students participating.

Teams in Valley

Tournament

This Weekend

Silverton's Owls and Lady Owls are playing in the Valley Tournament this

weekend. The Lady Owls were to take the court against Clarendon at 9:00

a.m. today (Thursday), followed by the Owls and Clarendon at 10:30 a.m.

Winners play at 3:00 and 4:30 Friday

and losers play at 9:00 and 10:30 a.m.

Friday. Third-place games are at 3:00

and 4:30 Saturday, and the

championship games begin at 6:00 and 7:30 p.m. Consolation finals are at

Teams in the tournament are Clarendon, Motley County, Groom,

Kress, Memphis, Patton Springs,

Silverton School's music program has

had a time change, according to an

Originally scheduled for the morning of Friday, December 16, the program

Please note this change on your

12:00 and 1:30 p.m. Saturday.

Music Program

Time Changed

announcement made Monday.

will begin at 1:25 p.m.

calendar.

Silverton and Valley.

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Silverton School Activities

Thursday, Friday, Saturda December 8-10—Valley Tournament Saturday, Thursday, December 8-Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 11-Boedeker-Rauch Music Recital at First Baptist Church

Monday, December 12-Junior High at Valley, 4:00

Tuesday, December 13-Kress, there, 5:00

Wednesday, December 14-Semester

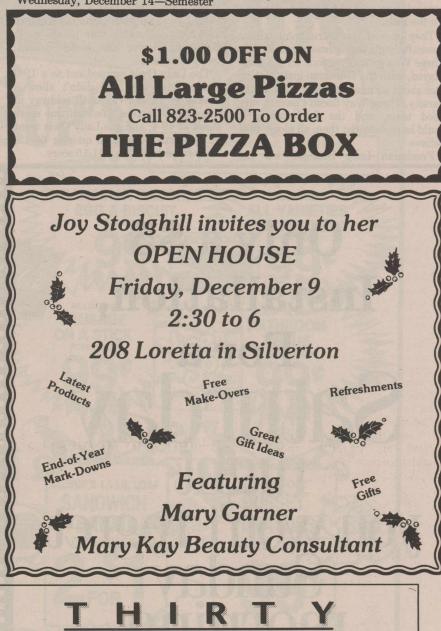
Tests, odd; Staff Christmas Party, 7:00

Friday, December 16-Community Clinic at City Hall; End of Semester; Music Program, 1:25 p.m.; McLean, here, 5:00 p.m.

Christmas Recital

Piano and voice students of Robin Boedeker and Mary Ann Rauch will be presented in recital at 2:30 p.m. Sunday at the First Baptist Church in Silverton.

The public is invited.



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"30 Years of Festive Foods," a commemorative cookbook from

Tests, even

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Thursday, December 15-Semester

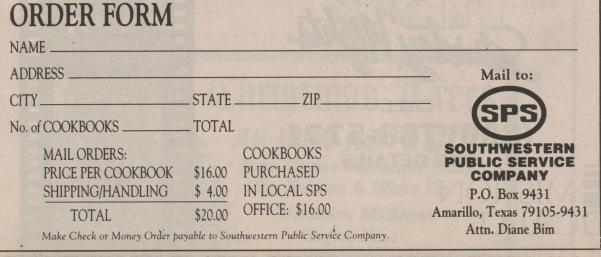
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Chosen for honors by the high school faculty, these students also will be featured in the yearbook.

Shannon Weaver is Outstanding Student, and Brandi Brunson was chosen as the student Most Likely to Succeed.

Holly Nance was named for Good Citizenship, and Kara Kingery was chosen as Most Dependable.

Elected to Who's Who were Michael Reagan and Michelle Warren, freshmen; Brandon Sarchet and Kimmie Blazier, sophomores; Zeb Holt and Shannon Weaver, juniors; DeWayne Juarez and Holly Nance, seniors.



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Lady Owls Win 2nd at Smyer

Silverton's Lady Owls were the winners of the second-place trophy in the basketball tournament at Smyer last weekend, but after losing the championship game to Loop, a team that hasn't been beaten this season, the presentation was not a happy moment for the girls.

They opened the tournament with a beautifully-played game against the Three Way girls. Everyone on the team played, with the freshman girls getting just about as much playing time as the varsity. Three Way doesn't have a very good team, and the freshman girls could have defeated them all alone, fans believe.

Freshman Lacy Brunson led the

scoring with 17 points. Freshman Michelle Warren, the only one to score in all four quarters, also was in double figures with 10. Lori Brannon and Dedra Johnston scored nine points each. Brandi Brunson and Leslee Weaks got eight points each. Molly Bomar rang up seven; Shauna Kingery and Kenzie Burson, four points each; Shannon Weaver and Molly Brooks, two points each.

The Lady Owls jumped out to a 19-0 first-quarter lead and didn't allow a basket by Three Way until midway in the second quarter. The halftime score stood at 49-4, and the Lady Owls went on to control the third quarter 65-12. They finished with an 81-15 score.

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In the second round of the tournament, the Lady Owls rolled over Coach Moe Eddleman's Smyer girls 61-35. The Lady Owls once again had a very good game, with four girls scoring in double figures. Molly Bomar led the offense with 16 points, while Dedra Johnston, Brandi Brunson and Lacy Brunson caged 10 points each. Adding to the score were Lori Brannon and Shannon Weaver, five points each, and Kenzie Burson, two points.

In the final game, the Lady Owls fell behind early and were never able to narrow the gap to less than 10 points. At the end of the first quarter the Lady Owls were behind 3-14, and by halftime they trailed 13-26. The Loop girls moved ahead 47-24 in the third quarter and finished with a 54-38 score.

Molly Bomar led the scoring with 10 points. Adding to the score were Dedra Johnston, seven; Brandi Brunson, six; Shannon Weaver, five; Michelle Warren, four; Shauna Kingery, Lacy Brunson and Kimmie Blazier, two points each.

There were some good boys teams in

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Leslee Weaks went up for a shot at Happy last week, surrounded by Cowgirls. **Briscoe County News Photo**

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the tournament, and the Owls weren't ever able to get on top of their game. They dropped their first game, 78-35, to Three Way behind the 19-point scoring effort of Jack Cherry. Brandon Sarchet and Arnold Garza scored four points each, and Trey Wyatt, Zeb Holt, Cy Comer and Jon Ivory added two points each.

The Owls had a bye in the second round, and played Wilson in the consolation finals on Saturday. The Owls dropped this game 59-49, after having led 18-17 at the end of the first quarter. They fell behind 27-32 before halftime, and at the end of three quarters they trailed 35-39.

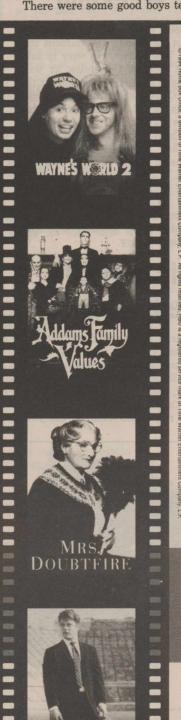
Once again Jack Cherry led the scoring with a 24-point effort. Trey Wyatt caged seven points; Zeb Holt, five; Arnold Garza, five; Cy Comer, four; Brandon Sarchet and Jared Francis, two points each.

The teams played Motley County here Tuesday night and will be playing in the Valley Tournament beginning this morning. They are matched with Clarendon in the first round.



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Go Owls, Lady Owls!

With eyes on the ball, Cy Comer watched to see if his shot would fall into the basket at Happy. Briscoe County News Photo

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Jack Cherry went up for a shot in the game at Happy last week. Briscoe County News Photo

Owls Take Big Win At Happy

Silverton's varsity Owls came from behind to take a big victory at Happy Tuesday night of last week. At the end of the first quarter, the Owls trailed 13-15, but by halftime they had moved into a 29-22 lead. They led 41-38 at the end of three quarters, and played on to a 54-48 conclusion.

Jack Cherry burned the baskets with a big 27-point effort. Arnold Garza also scored in double figures with 10. Adding to the score were Trey Wyatt, eight; Cy Comer, four; Zeb Holt, three; Brandon Sarchet, two points. Wyatt hit two three pointers and Holt contributed one three-point play.

The evening's action was led off by the Junior Varsity Owls, playing in their first game of the season. They started very tentatively, but gained momentum and looked much better in the second half. They trailed 10-12 at the end of the first period, and had fallen behind 12-14 by halftime. They were on the short end of the 25-34 third-quarter score and finished behind 29-40.

Andy Bullock led the team with nine poin⁺s in very balanced scoring. Chris Justice got seven points and Hector Martinez added six. Also scoring were Jared Francis, five, and Will Hester, two points.

The Lady Owls fell behind early in their game and were never quite able to make it up. They trailed 3-14 at the end of the first quarter and 8-23 at the midway stop. They were behind 14-36 at the end of three quarters and finished on the short end of the 24-38 score.

Molly Bomar led the offense by scoring 10 points. Brandi Brunson caged eight and Lori Brannon put six

points on the board.

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We Are Backing The Owls and Lady Owls!



Coach Roger Whipkey discussed the game strategy with intensity at the Lady Owl bench during the Smyer Tournament last weekend. Briscoe County News Photo

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Cotton News

Cotton harvesting on the High Plains of Texas is still underway. According to Lubbock-based Plains Cotton Growers (PCG), estimated volume at USDA's Lubbock and Lamesa Cotton Classing Offices has risen close to the USDA crop estimate of 2.91 million bales.

Wendell Wilbanks, director of the

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Lubbock Classing Office, notes that his estimate for the 1994 crop has increased to 2.3 million bales. Projected volume for the Lamesa office is 480.000 bales

Taken together, the estimates indicate a crop of 2.78 million running bales. Converting to 480-pound statistical bales puts the crop at 2.86 million bales based on the classing office figures. A total of 2.14 million

bales have been classed in Lubbock and Lamesa through December 1.

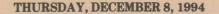
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"We have been pleasantly surprised by this crop as it continues to prove conventional wisdom wrong," says PCG Executive Vice President Donald Johnson. "In August and September very few people would have considered the possibility that this year's crop would come close to or top 2.9 million bales. Now it appears this year's crop is going to come very close to that level, with quality similar to that we saw in 1993.

"Quality has really become a key goal of producers across the High Plains," adds Johnson. "The last two growing seasons have proven that High Plains producers are willing to do what it takes to produce the highest quality fiber they can."

Classing reports indicate their efforts have been very effective. Through December 1, the predominant Color grades at the Lubbock and Lamesa offices were 21 (Strick Middling) and 22 (Strict Middling Light Spot).

Over 50 percent of the cotton classed so far has been in those two Color grades. Strength at both offices is averaging over 29 grams per tex. Micronaire is averaging 3.9 at Lubbock and 4.1 at Lamesa. Leaf grades 2 and 3 are most prevalent at both the Lubbock



TO MEET IN DECEMBER

The Lubbock and Lamesa Classing Office Growers' Advisory Committees will meet for the last time this season on December 12 (Lubbock) and December 13 (Lamesa). The meetings are open to everyone who is interested in the procedures and equipment used to evaluate the quality of cotton produced on the High Plains.

The Lamesa Cotton Classing Office meeting will be held Tuesday, December 13, beginning at 10:30 a.m. at the classing office. Agenda items will include an update on 1994 operations, a report on the Module Averaging Pilot Project and a tour of the facility.

The Lubbock Cotton Classing meeting is set for Monday, December 12. The meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. at the classing office. AGenda items will include an update on 1994 operations and a report on the Module Averaging Pilot Project.

Those interested will be given an opportunity to tour both facilities following the meetings.

Winter Driving is **More Hazardous Than Most People Realize**

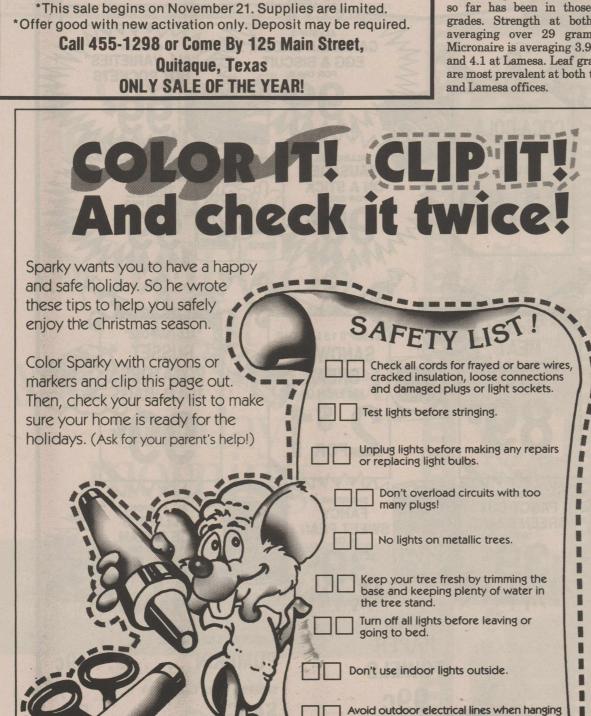
Trooper L. B. Snider, Public Information Officer for the Texas Department of Public Safety said, "Winter driving is more hazardous than most people realize. There are more hours of darkness, often less visibility, and sometimes freezing temperatures with ice, sleet or snow. These are real challenges for drivers and test a person's ability to drive."

"Safe winter driving, when it's all said and done, is largely the application of common sense to some basic driving facts," Snider added. "Drivers must be able to see all around their vehicle to drive safely. Make sure all ice and snow is removed from all windows. Don't be a "peep hole" driver. Keep windows from fogging by using the defroster. If necessary, stop and knock ice or snow off wiper blades to keep the windshield clear.

Too much speed on slippery roads is the mistake that breeds the most trouble. Adjust your driving habits to match the weather and road conditions. Trips on icy roads are going to take longer. Face the facts; don't be in a hurry. If the road is covered with ice or snow, start your vehicle moving slowly and gently. When stopping, apply your brakes lightly and much earlier than usual. Make your turns slowly and smoothly.

Most loss of control comes in the form of skids. Skids don't just happen; they are caused by the driver in most cases. To recover from a skid, back off the accelerator, stay off the brakes and steer your vehicle in the direction you want to go.

It is obvious that winter driving can pose problems for even the most experienced drivers. But as stated above, if we take our time, take it easy, make smooth movements and adjust speed to match conditions, we all can have a safer winter.





lights on the rooftop or in tall trees.

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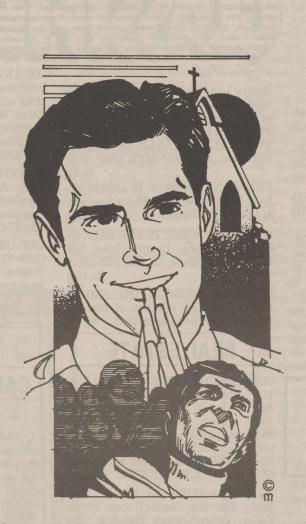
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WE DON'T THINK ABOUT HUMAN RIGHTS WHEN WE HAVE THEM

The subject of human rights is one that we seldom think about, because we are fortunate to be blessed with them in this country. However, we must remember that although there are large areas in the world where the people's rights have been restored to them, there remain other places where tyranny in one form or another still prevails. While there isn't much that we as individuals can do about it, we can at least attend our House of Worship and pray for those unfortunate souls who are not allowed to enjoy the freedoms that we simply take for granted, including free speech and the right to worship God in any manner we choose. Let us pray for the day when all nations can live together in freedom and friendship, beginning with the granting of human rights

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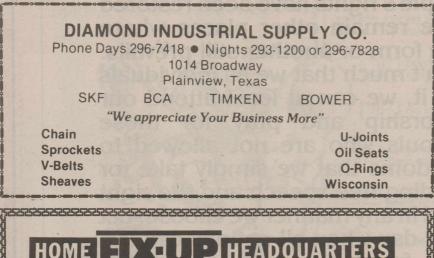
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I wish sincerely to express my gratitude to those who helped with this year's Science Fair.

In our increasingly competitive society, intellectual pursuit must be encouraged.

Thank you for your support. Mike Long

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I would like to thank the PTA for having a Science Fair. I had fun participating in it. Thank you, Mrs. Lowrey, Mrs. Tiffin and Mr. Kast, for judging the fair and thanks to Johnson's Gin and Nance's for the nice awards.

Thank you, Mr. Long, for helping me, and thanks, Paul, for being my partner and working so hard with me on our project.

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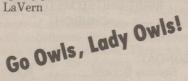
We would like to thank Johnson's Gin and Nance's Food Store for their generous donations for prizes for the PTA Science Fair, and Matt Kast, Carolyn Lowrey and Betty Nan Tiffin for being judges.

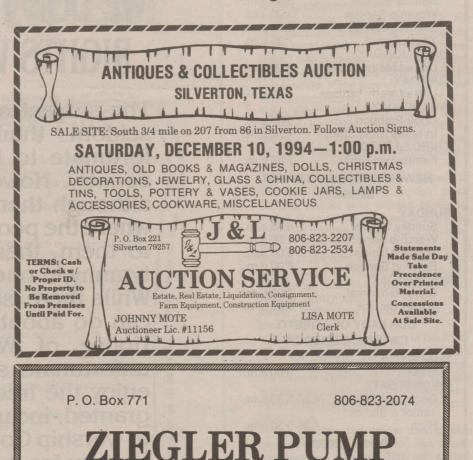
We would also like to thank Mike Long for all the help and encouragement he gives to the students. Our school is truly blessed with quality teachers.

Thanks also to the students who put forth the time and effort to come up with a project and present it. We appreciate your participation.

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Ted and I want to express our thanks for all the care and concern shown to us following my car accident and while I was in the hospital. We appreciate the prayers, visits, cards, food, flowers and phone calls. A special thanks to our emergency personnel.





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PTA Update

It is time to begin thinking about the PTA Reflections Contest. The theme this year is Dare to Discover. There will be entry forms sent home with students soon, with entry deadlines and rules outlined.

The entries are judged locally, with winners advancing to the district level. District winners are sent for State competition, followed by the National contest.

Silverton School has been represented at the State and National levels in the past, and considering the talent in the school now, this could be a possibility once again.

All students, kindergarten through seniors, are encouraged to participate.

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- himself * Respect your child's possessions
- * Acknowledge your child's abilities
- * Respect your child's choices

Widow's Earnings May **Not Affect Children's Monthly Benefits**

by Terry Richardson Social Security Office Manager Plainview, Texas

A 49-year-old widow recently called our office and asked, "I receive monthly Social Security checks because I have two teenage children in my care. But I need to increase the family income. If I go to work, will the children and I stop receiving Social Security?"

The widow was relieved to learn that her children will not lose their benefits if she goes to work; however, because her benefits will be subject to the annual earnings limit, the mother's benefits will be reduced \$1 for every \$2 she earns over \$8,040 in 1994 (\$8,160 in 1995).

The amount of the children's benefits will not be affected by their mother's earnings. Their benefits will stop, however, when they reach 18, or 19 if

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they are still in school full time. A child's benefits can continue beyond age 19 if he or she is disabled.

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OBITUARIES

LEOTA ALEXANDER

Graveside services for Leota Alexander, 77, were conducted at 2:30 p.m. Sunday in the Silverton Cemetery,



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with the Rev. Bryan Donahoo, pastor of First Baptist Church in Silverton, officiating.

Interment arrangements were made by Myers-Long Funeral Directors.

The former Leota Rampy was born December 2, 1916 in Potosi, and was graduated from Texas Tech University. She came to Silverton as a single schoolteacher, and married Conrad Alexander December 28, 1944 at Borger.

She was a member of the Order of the

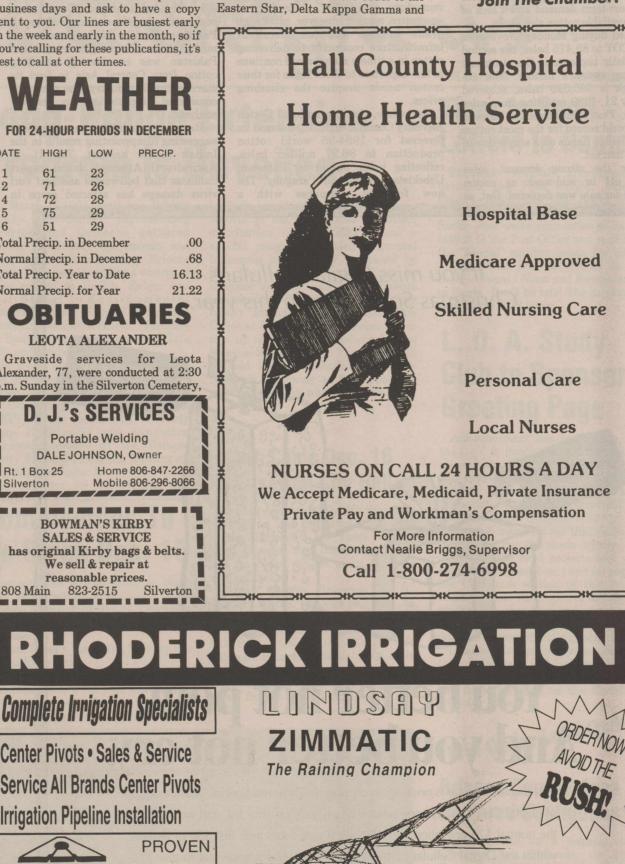
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the American Association of University Women. She was a member of Trinity **Baptist Church in Kerrville**

She had taught school in Hedley, San Angelo and Kerrville, in addition to Silverton.

Survivors include her husband; a daughter, Marcia Montgomery of Portland; a son, Shane Alexander of Houston; a brother, Ray Rampy of Lubbock; and four grandchildren.

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TELCOT Report

A WEEKLY SUMMARY OF COTTON MARKETING NEWS For The Week Ending December 1

There seemed to be more cotton buyers than sellers this week. Prices remained at an unprecedented high for this time of year as sales of Texas/Oklahoma cotton on TELCOT soared early this week resulting from great short-term demand and a lack of readily-available cotton elsewhere.

Frenzied buying Monday drove sales on TELCOT to 88,475 bales, the second largest daily turnover in the electronic marketing system's history. The alltime high is 385,599 bales, achieved February 21, 1989 resulting from sales to China. That achievement is believed to be a world record for the most cotton to ever change hands on a single day in any cash market.

Despite the strong demand, sales tapered off in mid-week as cotton available for sale was depleted. But, as

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soon as supplies were rebuilt by new producer offerings on TELCOT, spot sales of Texas/Oklahoma cotton took off again bringing the total for the five trading days ending December 1 to 212,038. That figure was up considerably from last week's total of 69,477. Average daily prices received by producers selling on TELCOT ranged from 69.54 to 73.47 cents per pound.

Texas/Oklahoma cotton continues to enjoy great demand based on almost immediate availability. According to one cotton market observer, ultra high grade cotton and an excellent infrastructure conducive to delivering cotton in a timely manner will continue to lure exporters to West Texas for their cotton needs despite the climbing prices.

Meanwhile, the International Cotton Advisory Committee (ICAC) lowered its forecast for 1994-95 world cotton production to 86.27 million bales, reflecting lower output by Pakistan, Uzbekistan, India and Paraguay. The new forecast compares with a November prediction of 88.13 million bales, ICAC said.

U. S. export prospects have been bolstered this season by shortfalls in foreign crops, particularly in Pakistan which continues to provide bullish fuel. According to the Cotton Export Corporation of Pakistan, a delegation is enroute to Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan to seek up to one million bales of cotton. The move was driven by a shortfall in domestic production, which trade sources say will reach only 6.5 million bales this year. To add more coals to the fire, the chairman of the All Pakistan Textile Mills Association made the sensationalist comment that Pakistan was considering airlifting cotton from Central Asia to feed its starving textile industry. The remark is considered preposterious by realistic analysts.

Stories continue to circulate suggesting disappointing results in the Indian cotton harvest. The U. S. Agricultural Attache's latest report indicates that bollworms and leaf curl virus damage has affected crops in

northern India. Most private estimates of the crop there are being scaled back to the 10.15 million bale area, and exports seem unlikely as several Indian inquiries for U. S. cotton have been noted this week.

Problems abound in other countries including Australia which now expects to harvest no more than 1.1 million bales due to extended drought. Paraguay also reports that recent heavy rains have caused some flooding in cotton areas and acreage is likely to reach only 300,000 acres rather than 400,000 as previously expected. Production in Paraguay will, therefore, yield only about 550,000 bales, even less than last year's poor crop. November rains also have slowed the cotton harvest in Uzbekistan and other Central Asian countries. ICAC said it expects cotton still to be in the fields in that region when December snows arrive.

Meanwhile, until foreign competition surfaces, the U. S. is being referred to as "The Big Store" in terms of supplying international cotton requirements. In fact, USDA announced export sales of 1994-95 U. S. cotton increased a net 1,558,200 bales in the week ended November 23, up considerably from the previous week's figure of 175,200. In addition, new crop sales of 884,700 bales were registered for 1995-96.

Large increases in exports are anticipated in the next few weeks as well, because exporters are either buying aggressively or rushing to register for export sales in order to take advantage of the Step 2 marketing certificate. The Adjusted World Price is expected to rise above the 65-cent mark, making the certificate unavailable for a minimum of four weeks.

Mission Cable Celebrates Holidays

This holiday period, cable TV captures the spirit of the season with a variety of holiday favorites, both new and old. The USA Network will present "Scrooged" on Saturday, December 10, which stars Bill Murray as a network president who hates Christmas and plans to exploit the holidays for every rating point they're worth. That is, until he is visited by three spirits.

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