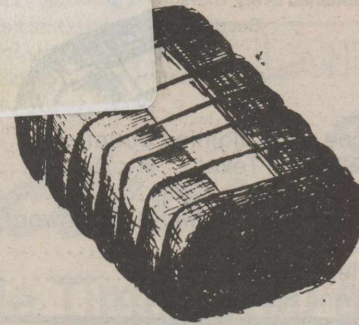




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All Around
 The Town
 BY MARY ANN SARCHET



I had a discussion with Tulia Veterinarian Dr. David Finch the other day about the rabies quarantine that Texas has been under since January 13, 1995. I want to call this to the attention of pet owners, not only for the protection of the pets but also for the protection of the people.

If you have dogs or cats over the age of three months, you'd better not skip the rest of this.

The rabies quarantine stipulates that no animal may be taken across the COUNTY line without having its proof of rabies vaccination within the past twelve months with it. That does not mean its tag that it wears on its collar. It means the certificate you receive when you have the animal vaccinated.

And this doesn't only apply to the owners of poodles and other dogs that are taken out of town for grooming, but equally to the owners of hunting dogs who cross COUNTY lines to hunt. This applies to animals taken to veterinarians, none of whom are located in Briscoe County.

The quarantine provides that it shall be a Class C misdemeanor to violate this law. This carries a fine of up to \$200, so I am told.

Dr. Finch says that rabies affects the domestic dogs and cats, coyotes (one of which was seen in the east part of town a few days ago), foxes, raccoons, skunks and hybrids, such as dog-coyotes and dog-wolves. He says that skunks will co-habitate with cats and that after they eat and drink together, it is not uncommon for the cats to have rabies.

The veterinarian also said that we should have a wild animal eradication of our town and a drive to exterminate the dogs and cats that are running loose without rabies vaccinations.

In case you take this lightly, let me add: kids love animals—all kinds of animals. They love to catch and play with animals. Some kinds of animals the kids can catch may be sick, and if they play with a sick animal, there is a chance the child will get sick, too. By protecting your animals, you will be protecting your kids.

If you have unwanted animals at your house and need help in getting rid of them, the City employees will assist you. Just give them a call and they will be happy to discuss your options with you.

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Ed Norris was telling us the other day about Glenda Johnson's eye transplant. She had been waiting for a donor for some time, and when one became available, Mrs. Johnson received a new cornea and lens. Best wishes during her recuperation.

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If you know of a busier "retired" person than Ed Norris, we'd like to hear about him. I surely am glad that Ed and

Jamboree Goes Onstage With New Groups Saturday

Caprock Jamboree will present three new groups when it goes onstage at the Showbarn in Silverton at 7:00 p.m. Saturday, March 4.

Tom Bragg, a Christian magician who has performed in various schools and organizations in West Texas, has thrilled children and adults alike everywhere he has displayed his talents.

Dale Burson, a cowboy from Channing, is a talented singer and musician that you won't want to miss.

"Good News", a group from Amarillo, will be making its debut at the Jamboree.

Local groups performing will include the "Country Sounds," "Grammy and Pop," in addition to the Youth Showcase.

The Jamboree begins at 7:00 and concludes at 10:00 p.m. with a jam session following.

Mesquite grilled hamburgers with all the trimmings will be prepared and served beginning about 6:00 p.m. by the Caprock Cowboy Camp Meeting Association.

Bring a folding chair if you have one, but if you can't bring a chair, one will be provided for you.

Junior Class To Serve Lasagna Lunch Sunday

Members of the Silverton High School Junior Class will be serving a lasagna luncheon in the school cafeteria from 11:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Sunday, March 5.

The project will be to earn money to finance the annual Junior-Senior Prom. Donations will be accepted.

Everyone is invited to attend.

City Election Will Be Held May 6

The terms of Mayor John Bowman and Councilmen W. D. Rowell and Lane Garvin are expiring this year, and will have to be filled in the Officers' Election to be held May 6.

Deadline for filing for places on the ballot is March 22.

If you would like to have your name on the ballot for Mayor or Councilman, you need to go by the City Hall and sign the appropriate papers.

Schools Week Being Observed

Silverton ISD and Silverton PTA would like to invite everyone to visit the local school during Texas Public Schools Week, February 27-March 3. The theme for Public Schools Week is "A Landscape For Learning."

Public Schools Week was announced during the regular PTA meeting held Thursday, February 23, in the school library. Also announced was Teacher Appreciation Week, April 10-13.

A program on "TAAS Tips For Parents," was given by Jane Self and Nancy Young. This very informative program gave tips for parents to help prepare their children for the TAAS exams to be given in March and May.

Some of the tips included seeing that your child gets 15-30 extra minutes of rest, a good breakfast and a stress-free morning before leaving for school the day of the testing. An extra hug also was suggested.

A Nominating Committee was chosen which will be preparing a list of officers to nominate at the March 21 meeting.

Time to Renew Scout Flag Service

Silverton Boy Scout Troop 262 will be spending the next two weeks selling their flag service for 1995. For \$25.00 you may have a flag displayed in your yard or in front of your business seven times during the year. The dates include Presidents' Day, Memorial Day, Flag Day, Independence Day, Briscoe County Celebration, Labor Day and Veterans' Day.

If you would like to sign up for the flag service and are not contacted, please call Larry Comer, Scoutmaster, or Rick Minyard, Assistant Scoutmaster.

The money earned from this service will be used to buy camping supplies and merit badges, and will help with the cost of Boy Scout Summer Camp.

Ann decided to return to Silverton to make their home. At this point, I don't know what we would do without them.

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Have you noticed how well Mark Brooks has been doing on the professional golf tour? He is the grandson of the late W. H. and Madge Brooks and has several relatives scattered across this area.

Barry Long was telling me the other day that Pro Golfer Tom Kite is the nephew of Haun Kite, a former minister of the Silverton Church of Christ. Probably a lot of you had heard this, but I hadn't. But when Barry was telling me this, he was telling me about this minister at Wellington who was Tom Kite's uncle. He didn't realize that Haun Kite also had been a minister here.

Cactus Cove Is Reopening Friday

Cactus Cove Marina on Lake Mackenzie will be re-opening under new management Friday, March 3. It will be open from 6:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. each day, and will offer gas, live bait, ice and foods cooked to order on the grill.

Directing the operation of the Marina will be Debbie Garris, Elwyn and Vaudine Vaughn.

A Friday night feature at the Marina will be the All-You-Can-Eat Catfish Fry with all the trimmings from 5:00 until 9:00 p.m.

Blood Pressure Clinic Cancelled

The Texas Department of Health has cancelled the Community Blood Pressure Checkup clinics that were being held here due to lack of participation by Silverton residents.

School Nurse Margie Pinkerton says that the Department of Health representatives will continue to come, but will devote their time to well child checkups on the second and third Tuesdays. Contact Mrs. Pinkerton if you would like to make an appointment for your child.

There will be no Health Department services during the school's Spring Break, March 13-17.

Norris is New BCAA President

Briscoe County Activities Association met for its regular meeting Thursday, and officers were elected for the 1995 term. The new president will be Edwin Norris, and vice-president is Tobe Riddell. Clifton Stodghill was elected treasurer. Eudean Crow will serve as the new secretary, and Joy Stodghill is reporter.

Plans are being finalized for the steer ropping to be held in June.

Dues for 1995 are due now and are only \$5.00 per family per year. New members are always welcome to join and help with the community projects that BCAA sponsors.


DESPERATE: Junior class must earn money for Junior-Senior Prom Sunday, March 5, 11:30 - 1:00 p.m. Lasagne dinner, school cafeteria. Donations accepted. Everyone is invited. 5-1 tnc

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A Voice From the Country



Earl Cantwell
Gems & Allegorys

As I sit today and ponder the passing events, the sorrowing friends and loved ones, it occurs to me that for some weeks we have been walking in the shadow of death. So many acquaintances and beloved friends have passed on, seems like "death" is an appropriate subject for the hour. There suddenly comes to mind an excerpt from the beloved 23rd Psalm: "Yea, though I walk through the valley of death, I will fear no evil; for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me." To be pitied, indeed, is the person who does not claim Jesus as a companion when overtaken by inexpressible grief. Some examples following should hold your attention.

Voltaire, upon his death-bed,



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addressed his doctor: "I am abandoned by God and man. I will give you half of what I am worth, if you will give me six months of life." And the doctor replied, "Sir, you cannot live six weeks." Voltaire replied, "Then I shall go to hell and you will go with me." Soon after he expired... Lord Byron, an infidel to the end, exclaimed on his death-bed: "Shall I sue for mercy?" After a long pause, he added, "Come, come no weakness; let's be a man to the last."

The woman who nursed the great agnostic, Professor J. H. Huxley, through his last illness, said that as he lay dying, the great skeptic suddenly looked at some sight invisible to mortal eyes and staring a while, whispered at last, "So it is true."

Robert Ingersol, after delivering one of his addresses, pulled his watch from his pocket and said, "According to the Bible, God has struck men to death for blasphemy. I will blaspheme Him and give Him five minutes to strike me dead and damn my soul." Five minutes passed and he put his watch in his pocket and said, "See there is no God." Poor frail man, did he think he could exhaust the patience of God in five minutes?

One of the saddest commentaries on our Supreme Court is in 1963 when they banned prayers in our public schools and declared the following prayer by kindergarten children to be illegal: "We thank you for the flowers so sweet, we thank you for the food we eat, we thank you for the birds that sing, we thank you, God, for every thing."

Happy indeed, is the person who can

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read with emotion (Rev. 13:14) And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, write blessed are the dead that die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, sayeth the spirit, and they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them (Rev. 13:14).

To be continued next week.

Medicare Enrollment Period Now Underway

by Terry Richardson
 Social Security Office Manager
 Plainview, Texas

Did you decide not to take Part B of Medicare when you were first eligible? Or did you have Part B once and then drop the coverage? If you fit into either of these situations, you'll have a chance to sign up for Part B during the annual enrollment period that runs from January 1, 1995 through March 31, 1995. This three-month period offers another opportunity to those who did not enroll when they were first eligible and those who dropped their coverage in the interim. If you enroll during the current sign-up period, your coverage will begin July 1, 1995.

If you did not enroll when you first were eligible, your Medicare Part B premium will be 10 percent higher than the basic monthly premium for each twelve-month period you were eligible but not enrolled. For 1995, the basic monthly Medicare Part B premium is \$46.10. There are special premium rules and enrollment periods (generally with no penalty for delayed enrollment) for workers age 65 or older and for people under age 65 with disabilities who have group health coverage based on their own or their spouse's current employment. Part B coverage, also called "medical insurance," helps pay for doctor's services, outpatient hospital care, and other medical services.

If you're age 65 or older and not eligible for Medicare's premium-free Hospital Insurance (Part A) coverage, you can buy this coverage along with Part B coverage during the annual

enrollment period. (People entitled to Medicare Hospital Insurance through the Social Security or Railroad Retirement systems or through government employment do not pay this premium.) Your monthly premium will be 10 percent higher than the basic amount if you delayed your enrollment for 12 months or more after you were first eligible to enroll. In 1995, the basic monthly premium for Part A coverage will be \$261. For individuals with 30 credits or more of work covered by Social Security but not enough to qualify for benefits, the amount is reduced to \$183.

If you have low income and limited assets, the state may pay some or all of your Medicare expenses, including buying Part A coverage under the Qualified Medicare Beneficiary (QMB) program. If your income is slightly above the level to qualify for the QMB program, you may qualify for state help in paying your Part B (Medical Insurance) premium under the Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiary (SLMB) program. Contact your state or local medical assistance (Medicaid) agency, social services office, or welfare office if you think you qualify.

Defensive Driving Class Scheduled

Wayland Baptist University's Lifelong Learning Center is holding its monthly defensive driving course on Saturday, March 4, from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

The course is approved by the Texas Education Agency, the National Safety Council, and the Texas Safety Association. The course may be accepted by the Texas Department of Public Safety for traffic citation dismissal and/or by the State Board of Insurance for a 10% discount.

Pre-registration must be completed by noon Friday, March 3. Cost, including text and tuition, is \$26. More information is available by calling the LLC at 296-4734.

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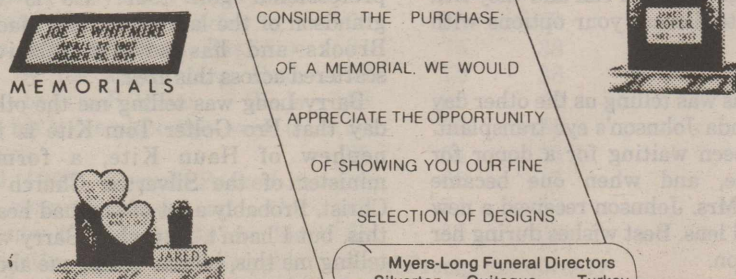
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Looking Back

through the files of the
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February 28, 1985—Among students honored for outstanding achievement during Wayland Baptist University's annual Recognition Day Chapel were Dana Ramsey of Quitaque and Staci Mayfield of Silverton . . . Mrs. Freeman Tate was a patient in Swisher Memorial Hospital last week where she received treatment for bronchial pneumonia and asthma . . . Michelle Crowell, third grade teacher, is Conservation Teacher of the Year . . . County Soil and Water Conservation District award winners are Carrie Ann Grabbe, Christa Tucker and Melissa Woods . . . Miss Jewel Hodges is spending this week visiting her sister, Kate Turner, other relatives and friends in this area . . . Mr. and Mrs. Elton Cantwell visited Saturday with Roger, Shannon and Devin Cantwell in Canyon and Jewel Fleming in Amarillo . . .

February 27, 1975—Olos Chitty was transferred by ambulance from Swisher Memorial Hospital in Tulia to High Plains Baptist Hospital Tuesday morning . . . Jeannita Stephens was a patient in the Tulia hospital last week . . . Mrs. Glenn Lindsey returned home Sunday from the Plainview hospital where she had been a patient for several days . . . Homer Stephens underwent surgery Tuesday afternoon at Methodist Hospital in Lubbock . . . Barry Francis and Donna Stodghill named to semester honor roll at West Texas State University . . . City Council raises local water rates . . . Silverton receives four inches of snow . . .

March 4, 1965—Mr. and Mrs. Bud McMinn will be honored at a reception in observance of the couple's 40th wedding anniversary . . . George Long entered Lockney General Hospital Tuesday and underwent surgery Wednesday morning . . . March came in like a lamb, bringing enough snow and rain to amount to .21 of an inch of badly-needed moisture in the Silverton area Monday . . . Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Couch are parents of a son, Perry Kyle . . . Mr. and Mrs. Billy Don Stevenson are parents of a daughter, Sandra Jean . . . Mr. and Mrs. Gene Goodwin are parents of a daughter, Catherine Ann . . . Dianne Davis and Dwight Rampley represented Silverton High School at the annual Plains Personality Pageant held at West Texas University . . . Jesse Lee Lovvorn, 74, died following lengthy illness . . . Tomlin Silverettes win Roaring Springs volleyball tournament. Members of the team are Jonette Hamilton, Jo Fleming, Lawanda Baird, Jimmie Nell Ford, Maebelle Francis, Carolyn Reagan and Betty McPherson. They are coached by P. John Monk . . .

March 3, 1955—Silverton girls won bi-district led by Pat Redin who scored 31 points. The team will be going to the regional tournament Friday at Canyon. Other members of the team are Betty Fitzgerald, Sue Smith, Patsy Bomar, Zobie Self, Karla Weaver, Barbara Grabbe, Edwina Breedlove, Gwenlyn Paige, Carlye Monroe, Jonet Reynolds, Sharon Gilkeyson and Gay Lynn Callaway . . . Silverton's ace forward Steve Jarnagin has been picked by the Texas Sports Writers Association for a place on the All-State Class B Basketball team. The others on the first team are Max Williams, Avoca; Bobby Coe, Detroit; J. D. Smith, Richland Springs; Dwain Johnson, O'Brien . . . Clyde Davis Wright, an eminent Texas citizen, passed away Thursday evening at his home in Silverton. He had been in failing health for several months . . . Shirley Elms ranks as Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow . . . Fogerson Lumber and Supply to handle Frigidaire appliances . . . Mrs. Clifford

Davis is spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. J. H. Burson, and other relatives . . . Mr. and Mrs. Willie Weast were overnight guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bingham near Canyon . . . Haylake Club met with Ella Leah Riddell . . . Mrs. Oscar Weaks entertained her son, Gary, with a party on his fifth birthday in the Fire Hall. Attending were Fern, Joyce and Bill Brooks, Ricki, Marsha and Toby Rowell, Donna and Judy Stephens, Dianna Jo and Johnny Seefeldt, Terry Grimland, Doug Turner, Sharon Martin, Sharla Francis, Ian Lanham, Kay Strange, Lynn Frizzell and the honoree, Gary Weaks . . . The Robert Ledbetters announce the birth of Barbara Jane . . . Mr. and Mrs. Billie McDaniel and baby visited her aunt, Mrs. Paul Reid, LaWanda and Paula Sunday afternoon . . . Mr. and

Mrs. J. D. McGavock and sons spent Friday night in Amarillo with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Blackwell . . . Winners in the You All Come Day program Saturday were Mrs. Bryan Strange, \$25.00; Janet Turner, \$15.00; Mrs. Rex Vaughan, \$10.00 . . .

March 1, 1945—T-5 Loyd Hodges entered service in February 1943 and was in the Southwest Pacific for two and one half years. He returned to the States in October and is now stationed at Camp Hood, Texas. At the present time he is recuperating from a severe attack of malaria, his second attack since returning to Texas . . . Staff Sergeant Albert Myers is reported to be missing in action. He is a flight engineer and top turret gunner on a B-17 Bomber and has been in the European combat area since November

1944 . . . Three men who left Wednesday for induction are James E. Hill, Chas. L. Francis and Pascal Garrison . . . Lewis A. Broxson arrived home Tuesday after 19 months at Pearl Harbor. He is a civil service worker doing work as a machinist in the Navy yards there . . . Sunday at the Calvary Baptist Church, LaRue Gilkeyson and Joy Belle Deavenport, pianists, will be presented in recital. They will be assisted by Betty Jean Dickerson, Beth Joiner and Neva Joy Reithmayer, vocal soloists, and the Junior High Chorus composed of twenty voices . . . Editor Roy Hahn wrote: "A lot of coaches are able within a few years to produce a winning team and are called successful.

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Caprock Cowboy Camp

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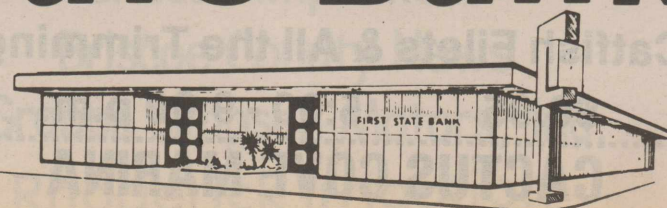
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Woods-Brice Vows Exchanged in Canyon

Miss Juannah Woods and Andy Brice recently were married in a small ceremony in the chapel of the Methodist Student Center in Canyon.

The bride is the daughter of Becky Woods of Canyon and Carl Wayne Woods of Borger, and is the granddaughter of Perry and Estelle Thomas of Silverton and Carl Ross Woods of Quitaque. The groom is the son of Lu Brice of Amarillo and is the grandson of Inza Brice of Hubbard, Texas.

Serving her sister as maid of honor was Miss Melissa Woods of Canyon, and friends of the bride, Shelly Wilson of Fritch and Audra Bell of Canyon, served as bridesmaids. The best man was Lane Province of Amarillo, and groomsmen were Richard Mhoon of

Miss McFall Is Shower Honoree Here

Miss Jena McFall, bride-elect of Chris Aylesworth, was guest of honor at a miscellaneous bridal shower in the Pioneer Room at First State Bank Saturday, February 25, at 2:00 p.m.

Sandy Perkins greeted the guests and presented them to the honoree and her mother, Jo Ann McFall. Guests were registered by Lisa Covington at a table accented with a white basket filled with black and white dried flowers.

The refreshment table was decorated with an arrangement of calla lilies, and punch and cookies were served by Amy Otis.

Assisting Sandy Perkins as hostesses for the shower were Rose Mary Perkins, Carol Martin, Carlye Fleming, Pat Lavy, Amy Otis, Vaughnell Brannon, Ann West, Pat Rice, Lisa Covington, Dora Bullock, Fern Minyard, Elaine Forbes, Mary Davis, Waynelle Couch, Angie Smith, Della Boling, Donna Estes, Carolyn Lowrey and Tammi Stafford.

Snyder and Steve Dyes of Lubbock. All are friends of the groom.

The couple plan to make their home in Littlefield where Mrs. Brice is employed by the Littlefield Independent School District. She is the head of the high school science department and a biology teacher. The groom is employed by Claydust Motor Machine in Littlefield.

Happy Birthday To . . .

March 2—Mark Patton, Ryan Minyard

March 3—Mary Grantham, Connie Simpson, Rena Taitano, D'Nae Kellum, Danny Edwards

March 4—Zane Reagan, Bronc Otis, Emily J'Nae Garcia

March 5—Wayne Cartrite, Wesley Francis, Matt McGinn, Carl Minyard

March 6—Preston May, Mary John Harris

March 7—J. T. West, Diamond Williams, Estelle South

March 8—Shana Strange, Kerry Baird

Happy Anniversary To . . .

March 5—Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Lee Perkins

March 6—Mr. and Mrs. T. V. McClure

March 7—Mr. and Mrs. Victor McGavock

Friendship Quilters

by Nina Martin

This week I wish to honor Ruby McWaters. She is an inspiration to all of us. Ruby, a charter member of the Rock Creek Quilting Club, helped start the Friendship Quilters. She keeps the records of our quilts and keeps up with our dues. Thank you, Ruby.

Lallie Patton, Juanita Stephens,

Nelda Jasper, Nadyne Childress, Joy Stodghill, Ann Norris, Bobbye Bean, Wanda Strange, Virginia Hardin and I quilted on Joy's fan quilt last Thursday. Our visitors were Vivone Arnold and Betty Olive.

On Friday, we all helped cook and serve the fund-raiser hamburger lunch for the Senior Citizens. A special thanks to the husbands who did the char-broiling.

Our sympathy to Sybil King on the loss of her mother, Charlotte Baker.

EXTENSION TOPICS FOR TODAY

by Ronda Alexander
Briscoe County Extension Agent

Discover Nutrition, Anytime, Anywhere

March is National Nutrition Month, and this year's theme is "Discover Nutrition, Anytime, Anywhere." You can have a healthy and nutritious meal or snack anytime, anywhere, once you discover good nutrition.

You can incorporate the foods that you like into a healthful eating style by choosing a diet that follows the dietary recommendations of the USDA Food Guide Pyramid and also is varied, moderate and balanced. The Pyramid is simply an outline of what to eat daily. There are no rigid guidelines to follow, only a general guide that will allow you to select healthful choices within the food group so that you can obtain necessary nutrients and enough calories in order to maintain a healthy weight.

The Pyramid also focuses on fat because most Americans eat too much fat in their diet. Following the Pyramid

will help you to keep your intake of total fat and saturated fat low. By lowering the fat in your diet, you can reduce the chances of getting certain diseases while also maintaining a healthy diet.

For more information about the USDA Food Guide Pyramid or other nutrition resources, please call or come by the Briscoe County Office of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

New Arrival

Torrey Fuston is proud to announce the arrival of her new baby sister, Shelby Marie. Shelby arrived Thursday, February 16, 1995, at Lockney Hospital. She weighed in at eight pounds and eleven ounces, and was 21 inches long. She is the daughter of Kyle and Amy Fuston of Silverton.

Grandparents are Dwight and Anita Ramsey of Silverton and Gene and Fredia Fuston of Turkey.

Great-grandparents are A. B. and Marie Ramsey of Quitaque, Olene Edwards of Plainview, Billie and Maurice Fuston of Turkey and Grace Anderson of Dimmitt.



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Orange Sweet Potatoes

4 medium sweet potatoes, unpeeled (about 1 pound)	¼ teaspoon cinnamon
¼ to ½ teaspoon grated orange rind	2 dashes angostura bitters (optional)
½ cup orange juice	Vegetable oil spray
2 tablespoons firmly packed brown sugar	

Boil potatoes 30 minutes or until tender. Remove skins and discard. Mash pulp, add remaining ingredients and whip until fluffy.

Preheat oven to 350°F. Lightly spray a 1-quart casserole with vegetable oil spray.

Place potato mixture in the prepared casserole. Cover and bake 25 minutes or until thoroughly heated. Serves 6

Nutrient Analysis per Serving

105 kcal	Calories	0 mg	Cholesterol	0 gm	Saturated Fat
1 gm	Protein	9 mg	Sodium	0 gm	Polyunsaturated Fat
25 gm	Carbohydrate	0 gm	Total Fat	0 gm	Monounsaturated Fat

This Help Your Heart Recipe is from the *American Heart Association Cookbook, Fifth Edition*, American Heart Association. Published by Times Books, a Division of Random House, Inc. 1973, 1975, 1979, 1984, 1991.

Automatic Benefit Statements Start

by Terry Richardson
Social Security Office Manager
Plainview, Texas

If you're age 60 or older and not yet receiving Social Security benefits, you can expect to get a statement sometime in 1995 telling you about how much you could receive in benefits.

In February 1995, the Social Security Administration (SSA) will begin mailing a *Personal Earnings and Benefit Estimate Statement* (PEBES) to everyone who is age 60 or older, has earnings credited to his or her Social Security number, and is not currently receiving Social Security benefits.

The initial mailings to an estimated nine million people will continue through September. Beginning in October 1995, and each year thereafter, statements will be sent to people who reach age 60 during the year. Toward the end of the century, Social Security expects to send the statements each year to everyone who is age 25 or older. . . an estimated 123 million people.

These SSA-initiated mailings are required by law. Their purpose is to help workers make sure their earnings are correctly reported. These reported earnings are used to calculate a person's future Social Security benefits. That makes the statement a valuable financial planning tool.

The statement shows the taxable earnings reported by the employer(s) and the estimated Social Security taxes paid. The estimates are based on the person's date of birth and earnings reported for work in jobs covered under Social Security.

The Personal Earnings and Benefit Estimate Statement shows the retirement benefit amount workers under age 62 can anticipate at ages 62, 65, and 70. For older workers, the estimates are based on the person's current age. If, for example, you're 63, your statement will show the estimated benefits for your current age and for ages 65 and 70. If you're 68, you'll receive an estimate for both your current age and for age 70. After age 70, you will get an estimate based on your current age only. The statement also includes estimates of benefits that may be paid should the worker become disabled or die before retirement.

While your PEBES doesn't guarantee you an exact amount of benefits (that will be determined when you apply for benefits), it will provide an estimate to help you plan your financial future.

After you read the statement, you don't need to do anything unless you believe the earnings information is incorrect. If the error involves recent earnings at your current job, contact your employer. If your statement shows any other incorrect earnings, report the discrepancy to Social Security's toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213. When you call, be sure to have your records of the correct earnings handy—such as W-2s, pay stubs, and tax returns. You also should call the toll-free number to report an incorrect name or Social Security number on the statement.

If, after you receive your statement, you decide to apply for retirement or disability benefits, call the same toll-free number to arrange an appointment to speak with a Social Security representative.

You can speak with a representative between 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on business days. The lines are busiest early in the week and early in the month, so it's best to call at other times.

SSA will use addresses furnished by the Internal Revenue Service to mail the PEBES. If you're 60 or older, not receiving Social Security benefits, and don't receive a statement by September 30, 1995, call the toll-free number

(anytime, including weekends and holidays) and ask for a Form SSA-7004 (*Request for Personal Earnings and Benefit Estimate Statement*). You should receive the statement in four to six weeks. People under age 60 also may call the same number to request the form.

Wrong Social Security Number Could Delay Your Tax Refund

You can avoid a delay in your Federal income tax refund if you show your correct Social Security number on your tax return. The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) will make sure you have provided the correct number before it pays your refund.

In past years, IRS matched the names and Social Security numbers of taxpayers and their spouses. This year, it also will check the names and numbers of all dependents listed on the returns. (Dependents age one or older must have a Social Security number.)

You should also check the Social Security number on your W-2 statements and pay stubs to make sure it matches the one on your card. If there's a discrepancy, tell your employer immediately.

If you don't have a number, or you need one for a dependent, call or visit Social Security now to receive the number before the tax filing season begins. You'll need to provide documents that show your age, citizenship, or lawful alien status and that verify your identity. For example, your birth certificate and school record are acceptable proof.

If you need a number for a nonresident alien dependent (under age 18) you will need proof of age, proof of identity and proof that the child resides outside the country, like a school record. In addition, you must be the proper applicant.

We cannot issue social security numbers to nonresident alien dependents over the age of 18. In addition, we cannot issue social security numbers to illegal aliens unless they are eligible for certain benefits that are federally funded.

For more information, or to apply for a Social Security number, contact your local office or call the toll-free number, 1-800-773-1213. The lines are busiest early in the week and early in the month, so it's best to call other times.

In Tahiti, it was once believed, the sick would recover if a centipede could be induced to crawl over them.

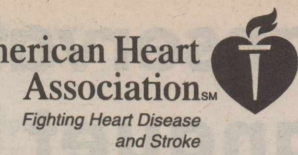
People believe if a fly lands on your nose, somebody has something to tell you.



Start to Finish Heart Disease



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Help Your Heart Recipes

This recipe is intended to be part of an overall healthful eating plan. Total fat intake should be less than 30 percent of your total calories for a day — not for each food or recipe.

Artichoke Dip

1 9-ounce package frozen, no-salt-added artichoke hearts, defrosted	1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
4 ounces low-fat cream cheese, room temperature	1/4 cup thinly sliced green onion tops
1/2 cup plain low-fat yogurt	1 1/2 teaspoons cream sherry
1 teaspoon Italian herb seasoning	1/2 teaspoon salt

Blot artichokes dry on paper towels. Chop into small pieces and set aside.
In a small bowl, combine remaining ingredients and blend well. Stir in artichoke hearts.
Cover and refrigerate several hours to allow flavors to blend.
Serves 28; 1 tablespoon per serving

Nutrient Analysis per Serving

12 kcal	Calories	0 mg	Cholesterol	0 gm	Saturated Fat
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Conservation District Banquet Held Here

Caprock Soil and Water Conservation District held its annual 1995 Poster and Essay Banquet Thursday, February 16, in the Silverton School Cafeteria.

Winners this year are Johnny Leal, first place and \$25.00 prize; Christina Stephens, second place and \$15.00 prize, and Heath Braddock, third place and \$10.00 prize in the essay division.

The poster contest overall winners were Tara Shane Smith, first place and \$25.00 award; Matt Strange, second place and \$15.00 prize, and Zach Ramsey, third place and \$10.00 prize.

Winners from each of the classes include:

Valley Kindergarten: Macy Davidson, Alysa Leal, Maddie Ramsey

Silverton Kindergarten & Jonathan Garcia, Justin Keyser, Jose Hernandez

Valley First Grade: Lorissa Payne, Zenaida Mora, Lauren Sargent

Silverton First Grade: Tori Perkins, Seth Donahoo, Tanner Young

Valley Second Grade: Zach Ramsey, Derik Roys, Matt Whittington

Silverton Second Grade: Krista Hale, Kelsie Estes, Brittany Perkins

Valley Third Grade: Rodney Fuston, Jessica Wellman

Silverton Third Grade: Tara Shane Smith, Lori Griffin, Beth Foster

Valley Fourth Grade: Scarlett Sperry, Ava Jo Sargent, Sara Fierro, Lorena Mendosa

Silverton Fourth Grade: Kassie Strange, John Arnold, Bryn Mayfield

Valley Fifth Grade: Christopher Taylor, Tessa Kelly, Jana Merrell

Silverton Fifth Grade: Matt Strange, Amanda Estes, Kurby Garvin

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Caprock SWCD would like to say a big THANK YOU to each of the sponsors, for without them it would not be possible to put on a banquet of this size. All students in grades K-5 in both the Valley and Silverton Schools participated, and there were several high school-level essay entries this year, for a total of over 200 students participating.

FBLA Members Place in Events

Thirteen Silverton High School students who are members of the Future Business Leaders of America chapter attended the FBLA District Conference at Texas Tech University on February 4, and eight of them placed in the contests they entered.

Pat O'Neal won first place in Information Processing Concepts.

Cy Comer placed second in Computer Concepts, and Jared Francis won second place in Business Procedures.

Shannon Weaver placed second in Job Interview.

Holly Nance and Brandi Brunson entered the third-place team in Business Graphics.

Kara Kingery and Shauna Kingery made up the fifth-place team in Business Graphics.

Also attending were Michelle Warren, Lacy Brunson, Trey Wyatt, Michael Reagan, Jack Cherry and Michelle Francis, who helped sponsor the trip along with Sheryl Weaver, business teacher.

Silverton School Activities

Saturday, Mar. 4--JH & HS Track Meet, Motley County

Sunday, Mar. 5--Junior Class Lasagna Lunch, noon, school cafeteria

Tuesday, Mar. 7--TAAS Gr. 4, 8; Exit Writing; K-3 Field Trip, "Snow White"

Wednesday, Mar. 8--TAAS Exit Math March 9-12--State FBLA Leadership Conference

Thursday, Mar. 9--TAAS Exit Reading; Board Meeting, 7:00

Friday-Saturday, Mar. 10-11--HS & JH Track Meet, Groom

Monday-Friday, Mar. 13-17--Spring Break

Silverton School Lunchroom Menu

LUNCHES

Thursday, Mar. 2--Chicken Nuggets, Gravy, Green Beans, Mashed Potatoes, Hot Rolls, Syrup, Butter, Milk

Friday, Mar. 3--Barbecue on a Bun, Potato Salad, Pinto Beans, Sweet Roll, Milk

Monday, Mar. 6--Mexican Casserole, Hot Sauce, Salad, Corn, Cornbread, Fruit, Milk

Tuesday, Mar. 7--Assorted Sandwiches, Tater Rounds, Fruit, Milk

Wednesday, Mar. 8--Fish, Macaroni and Cheese, Coleslaw, Tartar Sauce, Cornbread, Fruit, Milk

Thursday, Mar. 9--Baked Chicken, Broccoli and Cheese, Hot Rolls, Fruit, Milk

Friday, Mar. 10--Hamburger with Cheese, Salad, Fries, Cookie, Milk

BREAKFASTS

Thursday, Mar. 2--Pancake, Syrup, Juice, Milk

Friday, Mar. 3--Sausage, Biscuit, Juice, Milk

Monday, Mar. 6--Cereal, Toast, Juice, Milk

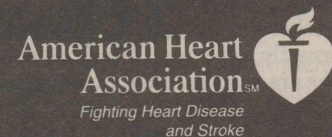
Tuesday, Mar. 7--Egg Burrito, Juice, Milk

Wednesday, Mar. 8--Oatmeal Muffin, Juice, Milk

Thursday, Mar. 9--Pancake, Syrup, Juice, Milk

Friday, Mar. 10--Blueberry Muffin, Juice, Milk

Mar. 13-17--Spring Break



Help Your Heart

Researchers Track Down A Killer

Like famous detectives of old, two medical scientists searched for all of the clues when tracking down the cause of heart attacks in young children. Their findings give new hope to all heart attack patients.

Drs. Joseph Goldstein and Michael Brown

uncovered a rare genetic condition — familial hypercholesterolemia — that causes abnormally high blood fat (cholesterol) and leads to heart attacks in people as young as two years old. In effect, the two scientists discovered an important way the body regulates cholesterol in the blood.

Their research led to scientific advances such as new drugs to help reduce blood cholesterol and gene therapy to reverse the effects of familial hypercholesterolemia.

The American Heart Association funded Drs. Brown and Goldstein in the early 1970s. In 1984 the AHA presented its Research Achievement Award to the dynamic duo to recognize their lifetime work in cardiovascular research. The prestigious

Nobel Prize in Medicine or Physiology came the next year to the two scientists.

During February's observance of American Heart Month, the AHA is emphasizing the importance of life-saving biomedical research. The AHA's slogan for

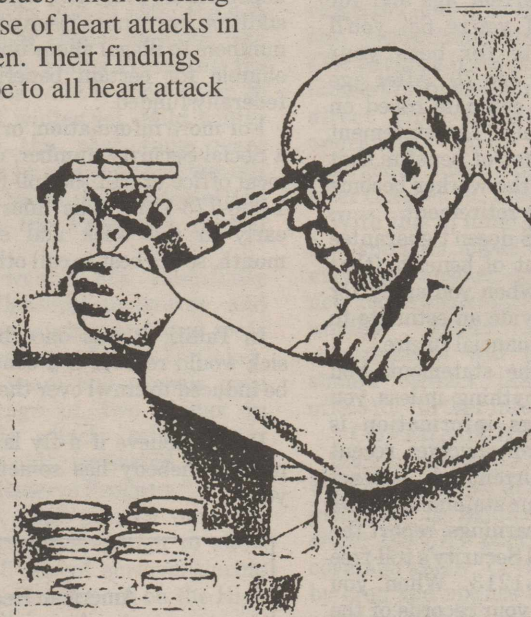
this period is "Life. It's What We're Fighting For."

Since 1949 the American Heart Association has spent about \$1.3 billion to fund research. The effort has paid off in advances such as the

treatment for so-called "blue babies," pacemakers, gene therapy, "clot busters" and other research achievements.

The AHA's research support, combined with that of the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, has made a difference. Since 1950 death rates from heart attack and stroke have declined significantly.

But with thousands of lives still being lost each year to cardiovascular diseases and stroke, there's so much more to be done. For information on how to join in the effort, call your local American Heart Association or 1-800-AHA-USA1 (1-800-242-8721).



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Nursing Aptitude Exams Scheduled

The Aptitude Entrance Exam for the fall of 1995, South Plains College Licensed Vocational Nurse (LVN) Nursing Program has been scheduled.

Dates for the exam are Thursday, March 9; Thursday, April 6; Saturday, April 8, and Thursday, April 13.

A maximum of 30 participants will be accepted per testing session. Pre-registration with payment of the \$8.00 testing fee is required. If space is available, those who have not pre-registered may take the exam by paying a \$10.00 fee at the door on the day of the exam.

Registration and payments may be made at the nursing office, located in the Lifelong Learning Center at 708 Yonkers on the Wayland Baptist University campus. Information packets for the nursing program and study guides are available from that office.

OBITUARIES

MADGE BROOKS

Funeral services for Madge Brooks, 83, were conducted at 3:00 p.m. Thursday, February 23, at the First Baptist Church in Silvertown. Officiating was the Rev. Edwin Norris, retired Baptist minister.

Burial was in the Silvertown Cemetery, with arrangements made by Myers-Long Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Brooks died Tuesday, February 21, in Houston.

She was born in Silvertown November 11, 1911, and married Wilford Houston Brooks in 1928 in Silvertown. He died in 1984.

Survivors include three daughters, Catherine Campbellone, Loree Wiley and Roselyn Brooks, all of Houston; a son, Jimmie Lee Brooks of Wylie; two sisters, Rosie Perry and Liz Driver, both of Lubbock; two brothers, Robert Lee and Will Lee, both of Arizona; 16 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Bill Brooks, Carl Minyard, Virgil Crow, Scott Wiley, Jack Dowlearn and Chris Welter.



There are no small victories in the fight against heart disease.



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Producers interested in burning Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) land need to do so soon, according to Lubbock-based Plains Cotton Growers (PCG).

PCG officials warn that time is short because of the narrow window available to producers. Winter months provide the best time for burning CRP grassland since the plants are dormant and do not suffer any adverse effects from the practice.

Burning also provides producers with several added benefits in addition to promoting healthier stands. The benefits include control of weeds and control of certain insect pests that can use the accumulated thatch as winter cover.

An example of this is the boll weevil which has been able to effectively use CRP grass for overwintering in some areas of the High Plains. The main

reason for the boll weevil's successful use of this cover is the recent string of four mild winters on the High Plains. In past years, CRP grass has been found to be poor winter habitat for the weevil when normal winter temperatures prevail.

"The recent string of mild winters has allowed the boll weevil to gain a significant foothold on the High Plains and it appears as if it will make further gains since the current winter is shaping up to be the mildest experienced in the last five years," notes PCG Boll Weevil Program Coordinator Roger Haldenby. "What we need is a pipe-busting winter that will not allow the weevil to survive in CRP grass. What we have gotten so far is exactly the opposite."

Haldenby notes that producers can expect to see boll weevils move out of CRP grasses into their 1995 cotton as

this year's crop gets planted.

Recommendations coming soon from the Boll Weevil Task Force, on which Haldenby serves, will encourage growers to hold off planting where possible until at least May 1.

Growers looking for advice on CRP burning should contact Plains Cotton Growers for a copy of the three-page "Guidelines for Boll Weevil Management in CRP Grasses" pamphlet put together by PCG, the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, the Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission, and the United States Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service.

During the past 31 years the Plains Cotton Growers Boll Weevil Suppression Program has successfully kept the boll weevil from infesting High Plains cotton.

The program is operated by Lubbock-based Plains Cotton Growers and is overseen by a Steering Committee made up entirely of cotton producers from across the High Plains.

PCG Boll Weevil Steering Committee Chairman Wayne Huffaker of Tahoka notes that throughout the program's 31-year life it has been able to keep the boll weevil from moving onto the High Plains using a "control zone" which delineates the program's operational boundaries.

Huffaker explains that the control zone roughly follows the contours of the Caprock on the eastern edge of the High Plains creating a buffer zone between infested areas of the Rolling Plains and the High Plains. He notes that inside the program's area of operation boll weevils have been kept at levels below which they could successfully advance onto the High Plains.

The PCG Program uses a strategy of Fall diapause treatments within its operational boundaries that, with the help of cold winter temperatures, reduce the number of boll weevils able to successfully survive until a new cotton crop is planted the following spring.

Huffaker warns that in 1995 the boll weevil has a new chance to move into even more High Plains cotton as the area experiences what is shaping up to be the mildest winter yet. Mild winter temperatures the past four years allowed record numbers of boll weevils to survive and infest High Plains cotton fields outside the Program's normal control zone.

"The boll weevil has essentially executed a flanking maneuver and moved into previously uninfested areas at a tremendous pace," says Huffaker. "In just four years boll weevils have taken advantage of two things in mounting this attack: mild winter temperatures and grassland in the Conservation Reserve Program."

In the past, CRP grasses were not considered protective enough to allow significant boll weevil survival during "normal" winter conditions on the High Plains. Recent winter temperatures, however, are proving that CRP grass is an excellent habitat for the boll weevil in these mild winters.

PCG is ready to step up its efforts to stop the boll weevil. Under the authority of the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation, PCG is in the process of putting the future of High Plains cotton in the hands of the very people who have the most to lose from the boll weevil: cotton producers.

Huffaker explains that PCG is in the process of putting together an Enhanced Suppression Program that will increase the current Program's operational area and pave the way for full eradication of the boll weevil in 1998 and 1999. Getting the job done will require the unified efforts of the cotton growers themselves, says Huffaker.

The key to implementation of the

Enhanced Suppression Program will be a positive vote in a referendum tentatively scheduled for the first two weeks of April. Producers will be able to get more information in the weeks leading up to the April referendum at a number of educational meetings across the area.

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Preparations are well on their way for the "Cotton Day 1995" celebration in Austin Tuesday, March 7.

Twenty cotton-related groups, including Plains Cotton Growers, are working together to enhance the image of cotton with state legislative leaders and underscore the important contribution cotton makes to the state economy.

PCG representatives at the event will include Executive Vice President Donald Johnson, President Frank B. Jones, jr. of Lamesa, Vice-President Jackie Burris of Wellman, and Secretary-Treasurer Don Langston of Lubbock.

Additional information on the implementation of the Federal Crop Insurance Reform Act of 1994 should allow producers to move forward with their plans for 1995. The new requirements are a major change from previous years.

As reported earlier this year, all producers intending to participate in USDA programs in 1995 must purchase at least a minimum catastrophic risk protection (CAT) policy or an additional coverage policy to be eligible. Required insurance coverage must be purchased before the March 19 insurance sales closing date.

Producers can purchase the CAT policy at either their county Consolidated Farm Service Agency (CFSA) office or through any agent authorized to sell Federal Crop Insurance Corporation (FCIC) multi-peril insurance. Additional coverage policies can only be purchased from an agent authorized to sell FCIC multi-peril insurance.

The insurance requirement for eligibility includes 1995 price support and production adjustment benefits, CRP benefits if the producer also has an interest in an insurable crop and FmHA direct farm operating, guaranteed operating, farm ownership and emergency loans approved or revised after October 13, 1994.

With this in mind the following are a few specifics about the program that may help answer questions about the new requirements. If producers are still unclear about how the new requirements will affect them they should contact their county CFSA office for further information.

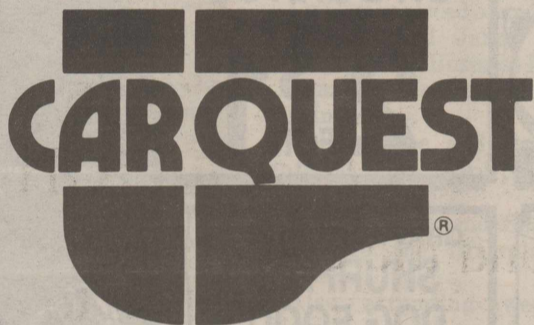
COVERAGE BY PRODUCER

Each producer, such as an individual, with an interest in a crop for which insurance is required must purchase either the CAT policy or an additional coverage policy. Coverage is purchased by crop and applies to all farms in the county in which the producer has the same interest. It is acceptable for only one producer who has interest in a farm to purchase insurance, only the producer(s) who did NOT purchase at least the CAT policy will be INELIGIBLE for program benefits. It is also acceptable for one producer to purchase a CAT policy and another producer to purchase an additional coverage policy on the same farm.

UNIT COVERAGE

Producers choosing the CAT policy will insure a crop by units. Generally a unit is defined as all land comprising a particular farm serial number. In addition, if a producer cash leases any acreage and receives 100 percent of the crop, the cash leased acreage will be considered part of the same unit (farm number) in which a producer also receives 100 percent of the crop on that unit.

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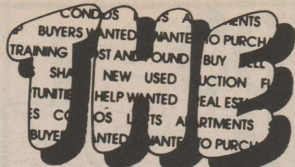


THE ANIMALS PORTRAY THE MIRACLE OF GOD'S CREATION

With spring just around the corner and the world coming alive again, it's time to reflect upon the incredible intelligence that God has bestowed on the animal kingdom. The birds are returning from their flight south for the winter, with no maps to point out the directions. Hibernating animals will be waking up from their long naps without any alarm clocks. It is arranged, without a calendar, that many animals are born in the spring, when there is ideal weather and an abundance of food. And so on. God gave man the ability to understand these achievements, and He asks only that we respect them. At your House of Worship, learn that all of this illustrates the wonder of God's creation, and that along with the animals, we are a vital part of it.

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Doug and Jeanetta Bradford

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the people of Silverton and surrounding area for their hospitality, kind words, flowers and memorials. Thank you for helping and supporting us through this tough time.

We would also like to thank the First Baptist Church for the meal they prepared for us.

We sincerely thank you for everything done for us.

The family of Judy Bingham

We wish to thank each of you who called, sent cards, wrote, provided food, or contributed in any way to the services for our daughter, Judy.

You all came together and did what we were unable to do at the time.

We love you all, and appreciate what you have done.

Ben and Bobbie Bingham and family

We would like to thank everyone who sent cards and flowers, called, visited, gave memorials and brought food since the death of my mother.

Thanks again,
Virgil and Eudean

Dear friends,

Thank you to everyone who helped us during our time of need. Raye loved flowers and plants and those sent in her memory were dearly appreciated. The food that was prepared for us was very helpful and much enjoyed. The many memorial gifts will help support organizations and activities that Raye thought were very important.

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Final calculations for the 1994-crop Upland Cotton Deficiency Payment have been made following the release of final marketing figures for the month of December.

December marketings of 5.091 million bales helped push the final payment rate down to 4.6 cents per pound. Producers who received the 6.45 cent advance payment in 1994 now have until July 31, 1995 to repay the 1.85 cent difference between the advance and final payment rates.

Officials at Lubbock-based Plains Cotton Growers (PCG) received word on the final payment rate February 1 following release of December marketing and price information January 31.

PCG Executive Vice President Donald Johnson notes that producers will be able to offset the repayment against other program payments they will receive before the end of the current marketing year July 31.

Deficiency payments are calculated as the lesser of the difference between the target price and either the Commodity Credit Corporation Loan Rate or the average price received by growers weighted by total marketings for the preceding calendar year.

The December figures, released by USDA January 31, show that U. S. cotton producers marketed over five million bales and received an average price of 73.2 cents per pound during the month.

The new figures produced a calculated total Deficiency Payment rate of 4.6 cents through December, 1.85 cents below the advance payment rate.

The cumulative volume of cotton marketed through December climbed to 18.598 million bales and the weighted average price received by growers also increased to 68.3 cents per pound.

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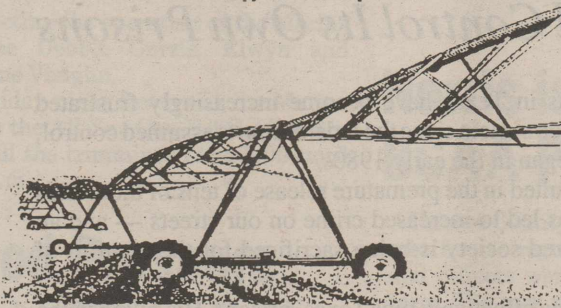
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Ducking the Issue of Regulatory Reform

In many parts of Texas, the hunting season is second only to the football season in terms of anticipation and enjoyment. Any threat to interrupt that favorite fall ritual is as disturbing as an insult to the Alamo.

So opponents of the regulatory reform initiative now underway in Congress hit a nerve with their claims last week that bills to impose a moratorium on new government rules and regulations would force cancellation of next fall's duck-hunting season. While sure to ruffle feathers, such assertions are in error.

In fact, the regulatory moratorium bills now moving through both houses of Congress specifically exempt routine administrative regulations. The process by which the Department of the Interior and state wildlife officials set bag limits and schedule hunting season is, clearly, a routine administrative procedure. It would continue uninterrupted.

This is a prime example of the famed "Washington Monument Syndrome." When you are going to do something that bureaucrats don't like, they devise the most objectionable result possible — and try to blame the reformers for it.

Hunters — and the rest of Texas — shouldn't be decoyed by this scare tactic. Those quacking that hunting season is threatened and the duck stamps cancelled have another target in mind entirely: Preserving their unfettered regulatory authority.

In reality, the national interest is best served by imposing a moratorium to compel review of some of the more destructive — and at times silly — examples of regulatory overkill. As Texans know all too well, the federal government's ruling-making practices are having a negative affect on private property rights — and property values. Layers of rules hamper small business and put onerous financial burdens on states and communities.

Excessive, ill-conceived, arbitrary regulation curbs growth and holds down productivity. Regulatory excess is imposed at a significant cost to taxpayers, but is providing few, tangible benefits.

Item: Regulators have ordered a Kansas City bank to put a Braille keypad on a drive-through automatic teller machine.

Item: The Department of Agriculture has required California fruitgrowers to trash millions of pounds of otherwise good peaches and nectarines simply because they were smaller than federal standards permitted.

Item: And then there is the couple in Broad Channel, New York, who were threatened with \$30,000 in fines for building a deck on their home — because the deck cast a shadow on a designated wetland area.

The above are examples of what we want to change. Those of us in Congress who advocate regulatory reform aren't out to destroy the duck-hunting season — or anything else worth preserving. But we do want to improve the regulatory process, to make it a trustworthy servant of the American people rather than their dictator.

Texas Should Control Its Own Prisons

Law-abiding citizens in Texas have become increasingly frustrated with their state prison system since the federal courts assumed control, a process which began in the early 1980s.

This takeover has resulted in the premature release of tens of thousands of violent offenders. It has led to increased crime on our streets — and an uneasy feeling that civilized society is being sacrificed for the comfort of convicted felons.

A federal judge's ruling effectively runs Texas' prisons. His ruling in the Ruiz v. Estelle case dictates how many criminals may be imprisoned — regardless of the crime rate — and under what conditions. Prison officials have been denied the authority to discipline unruly and often murderous offenders.

This population cap on Texas prisons, imposed in 1981, forced the state parole board to increase early releases by 400 percent. On any given day under the court order, 6,000 beds in the Texas prison system must be left vacant. As a result, Texas inmates ended up serving an average of two months for every year of their sentences.

Texans have witnessed the unhappy effects of judicial micromanagement. Texas experienced a 29 percent increase in crime over the next decade. People of all ages have fallen prey to criminals who should have remained behind bars.

A case in point was the 1993 rape and murder of 7-year-old Ashley Estelle in a Dallas suburb. Her attacker turned out to be Michael Blair, a convict who had served only 18 months of a 10-year sentence for indecency

with a child (the original charge against him, sexual assault, was plea bargained down). Had Blair served even half his sentence, he would not have been on the streets the day Ashley was kidnapped, molested and strangled.

At the same time, prison costs have soared. The Texas prison system's current budget of \$3.75 billion is expected to grow to \$4.4 billion by the next fiscal period.

This has gone on long enough. Last week I introduced legislation in the U.S. Senate that would allow Texas and other states to regain control of their own prisons.

This bill, the "Stop Turning Out Prisoners Act," or STOP, would curtail the authority of federal judges to impose standards which result in the early release of violent criminals.

It would prevent federal judges from using one prisoner's suit as a pretext for taking over the administration of an entire prison or prison system and reduce the authority of federal courts to impose population caps on prisons. This bill would save the state of Texas \$610 million over the next five years. Similar legislation is moving through the House of Representatives.

My bill also would put parameters on payment of plaintiff prisoners' attorneys. The attorneys in the Ruiz case were paid \$10 million by the taxpayers of Texas.

I have long been active in the effort to restore state control to Texas prisons, and I have repeatedly urged appeal of the original Ruiz decision which led to a federal takeover.

The STOP bill will turn this around. Federal courts have imposed a system which puts the interests of criminals ahead of the interests of victims — and of society as a whole. This bill will reverse those distorted priorities.

LOOKING BACK -

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Coach Brannon does it the other way. In his first year, he has produced the regional football champions and now the district basketball champions. Furthermore the boys have a good chance of coming out on top in the regional tournament at Canyon next week. Of course, one can't give Brannon all the credit, for Silverton has an outstanding bunch of boys this year. But in the past too, several times, we have had good players, but not always an outstanding team. That part rests with the coach. How he does it no one knows—but the record shows that Junior Brannon is a mighty fine high school coach. How he is ever going to work up to the top with a winning team, though, is a problem. For the size of our school, he is already at the top . . . which, of course, is a bad situation . . . There is something that should be done for Brannon. He needs a new hat. I watched him the other night at the Carey-Silverton game. He gets that old hat all rolled up and just wrings it out like a sponge. This goes on constantly until Silverton scores. Then the hat is jammed on his head and he yanks it down clear over his ears. All big coaches either eat matches, pour dirt through their fingers, or bite their nails—but we have the only coach in the world that could take a brand-new Stetson and have it looking like a pair of ear muffs at the end of the game" . . . Mrs. L. C. Yates has been in Jackson, Mississippi for sometime visiting her mother who is ill . . . Mrs. Kit McDaniel, formerly Miss Louise Holt, is at home in Amarillo after a short wedding trip to New Mexico . . . The Charlie Holts have purchased the Simpson Cafe and took possession Thursday . . . A shower honoring Mrs. A. R. Barnett, the former Nona Lee Deavenport, was held Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. George Weast . . . Mr. and Mrs. Printz Brown spent Sunday in Quitaque with Q. E. and Lalla Brown . . . Andrew Edwards entered the Veterans Hospital in Amarillo this week for a checkup and treatment . . . Carrie Dell and Eudean Watters spent Friday night in the home of Estelle and Nola Gay Witcher . . . Word was received from Pvt. Lee Stevenson by his sister, Mrs. Dean Allard, that he is in Belgium . . . Wade Steele sold his home place this week to L. W. Francis . . .

April 10, 1925—Emmett Puckett is to be congratulated on the improvements he has made in his market recently . . . A very enjoyable event was the six o'clock dinner given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Perry Thomas last Sunday evening in honor of Mr. Thomas' fiftieth birthday . . . J. F.

Tunnell represented Quitaque at the meeting in Fort Worth last week of supporters of the proposed T. P. & G. Railroad . . . The Quitaque Motor Company is building an awning around the front of their place. The awning will be of a substantial construction and will extend across the front and around the west side of the building. There will be an electric light placed every three feet around the edge of the awning and current for the same will be supplied by the company's own light plant . . . What they say at Quitaque about the railroad: Orlin Stark: "We are for all railroads and any railroad. Quitaque will meet the terms of any fair proposition" . . . J. W. Ewing: "We seem to get along fairly well without a railroad but we can't afford to let one miss us by three or four miles. We simply won't let them" . . . The Senior Class has realized that someone is going to be valedictorian and everyone is wondering who the fortunate one will be . . . Harold Wilson and Edward Minyard, as boys debating team, and Misses Jettie Stevenson and Eloise Morgan, as girls team, have prepared some "crushing arguments" and we expect to see them defeat Quitaque in the meet there tonight . . .

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Precip. Received Year to Date			.45
Normal Precip. Year to Date			1.25