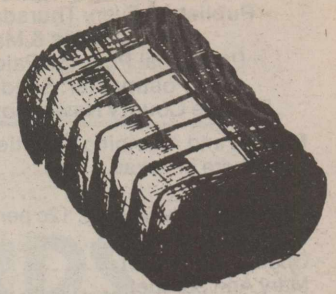


## All Around The Town

BY MARY ANN SARCHET



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### Wild animals in Silverton?

Apparently so, since my husband saw a deer cross Highway 86 from the city park and continue north on Loretta Street where it was nearly hit by Jay Towe's vehicle.

Also seen in Silverton: a prairie dog. Gosh! I hope they're not moving into town.

Wouldn't you expect that wild animals would come into town only when conditions on the range get bad and food is hard to find? It should be the easiest found now of any time due to the rains that have pastures, CRP land, etc. in prime condition. The cattle are getting fat grazing the native grasses, and seem to be spending a lot of the day lying at rest.

Sometimes in this part of the country it has been said that a cow needs a mouth a yard wide and a cruising speed of 50 mph to get enough to eat on the pastures, but this certainly isn't true this year.

## Farewell Party To Honor Parham Family

A Hamburger Supper-Farewell Party honoring Clyde, Denise and Courtney Parham will be held in the City Park Tuesday, July 1, at 7:00 p.m.

All friends of the Parham family are invited to come and enjoy fellowship and to wish them well as they move later in July to Wilson where he will be the football coach.

If you would like to help provide food items, please contact Lisa Cherry or Debbie Holt.

## Clinic Records Will Be Kept Here

Briscoe County Foundation and Briscoe County Clinic will retain custody of the medical records of the patients of the clinic when it closes July 3.

According to Anthony Kingery, spokesman for the BCF, negotiations are continuing with other health providers to try to reopen the clinic as soon as possible. It is hoped that the down time will be kept to a minimum.

## BCAA Meets Here Tonight

Briscoe County Activities Association will have its regular meeting at 8:00 p.m. Thursday, June 26 (today) at the showbarn.

All members are urged to attend, and prospective new members are always welcome to attend.

## Alternatives Suggested For The Failed Cotton Crops

Untimely rains, hail and wind storms have caused some cotton producers to consider replanting to an alternative crop, according to Dr. Brent Bean, agronomist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service at the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center in Amarillo.

Dr. Bean said growers might consider one of several crop alternatives following cotton, such as sorghum, soybeans, sunflowers, or dry beans.

"Producers across the High Plains who are thinking about sorghum may have some difficulty in locating seed due to the unusually short seed supply this year," he said. Hybrid selection for late-planted sorghum is an important consideration.

"Sorghum planting may range from late April to early July, depending on the maturity class of the hybrid," Dr. Bean noted.

In general, a medium-to-full season hybrid should not be planted after June 15. The cut-off date for a medium maturity hybrid would be June 20 through June 30, while the short season hybrids could be planted up to July 10, depending upon the hybrid and how far south in the Panhandle or South Plains the field is located.

"Before planting any hybrid, be sure to check with the seed company for the recommended planting date for that particular hybrid," Dr. Bean advises. He said a list of major sorghum hybrids and their maturity class is available at local County Extension Offices along with recent variety trial data.

Producers who plant late sorghum should be aware that midge infestations and other insects may be a problem, and be prepared to apply insecticides if needed, the specialist cautioned.

Cotton herbicide carryover is often a potential problem in planting sorghum. Treflan, Prowl, Caparol, Cotoran, Karmex and Staple soil residues all can injure sorghum.

This is especially true on sandy soils, where residues could be relatively deep in the soil due to the recent rains," he added. The agronomist suggested the problem of soil residues can often be avoided in heavier textured soils with a buster planter set to displace the top four to five inches of soil to establish a her-

bicide-free seed zone. If Dual herbicide has been applied, safened seed can be planted directly into the treated soil with little risk of sorghum injury.

According to Dr. Bean, some cotton producers have used the new herbicide, Staple; however sorghum is very sensitive to even small amounts of Staple residue. It is not recommended that sorghum be planted in fields treated with Staple.

Soybeans may be a good replacement crop for cotton in irrigated areas, the agronomist said. Soybeans require about 80 percent of the water amount needed

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## Cheerleaders To Have Bake Sale

The Silverton High School Cheerleaders will be having a bake sale July 3, starting at 9:00 a.m. at Nance's Food Store.

There will be all kinds of goodies just in time for the holiday weekend.

## 4-H Day Camp To Be Held At Caprock Canyons

Calley Payne  
Briscoe County  
Extension Agent-FCS

For the second year in a row, the 4-H and Youth Committee, 4-H Adult Leaders Association, Briscoe County Senior 4-H'ers and the Texas Agricultural Extension Service will be hosting Day Camp at Caprock Canyons State Park.

The camp is open to those ages nine to 13 (or those entering the third through eighth grades). Anyone younger may attend with a parent.

The youth will be able to participate in several activities including archery, paddleboats, canoeing, volleyball, fishing, games, arts and crafts.

Campers will leave from the Courthouse at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, June 28, and from the Allsup's store in Quitaque at 8:30 a.m. The cost is \$5.00.

Please call the Briscoe County Extension Office at 823-2131 to register or for more information.



Presenting a safety award to Superintendent Frank Kirchoffner (center) for the outstanding record of accomplishment in the Silverton Schools were Barry Jones, CAS President (left) and Billy Hibbs, HAC/CAS CEO (right).

## Silverton School is Recognized For Its Outstanding Safety Program

Frank Kirchoffner, Superintendent of the Silverton Independent School District, recently was honored for outstanding employee safety by the North Texas Educational Insurance Association at its annual meeting conducted in Austin, Texas. The Association consists of 169 participating school districts located throughout Texas. The district is a member of a uniquely-designed partially self-funded workers' compensation program developed by Hibbs-Hallmark & Company and administered by Claims Administrative Services, Inc., both located in Tyler. Hibbs-Hallmark & Company currently provides workers' compensation programs to over 30 percent of all schools in Texas.

Purpose of the meeting was to recognize those districts that have held both the number and severity of employee accidents to a very low level. The combined savings during the 1995-96 school year, for all participating districts, was over 6.9 million dollars when compared to the costs of fully insured programs. The total savings for all districts since inception of the programs in 1991 exceed \$37 million dollars.

The Silverton Independent School District was a Diamond Star Performer award recipient with the actual losses from employee accidents equaling less than 10 percent of the fund set aside by the district for claims

expenses. The actual savings to the school district was \$16,823. "Our self insurance program was designed to provide the highest level of safety and offer the greatest potential for premium savings to our members," said Billy Hibbs, CEO of Hibbs-Hallmark & Company. "We have a team of safety professionals to help the districts to implement a strict set of safety policies and procedures."

Claims Administrative Services, Inc. President Barry Jones, stated, "Member districts' commitment to safety is one of the key reasons for the Association's success. Their participation in HHC/CAS's program sets the standard for all schools across the state to reduce on-the-job injuries and save taxpayer dollars. The taxpayers also should be pleased to know that the board of trustees and the administrative staff of the Silverton Independent School District is doing everything possible to insure a safe working environment for its employees while reducing the cost of workers' compensation insurance," continued Jones.

## Senior Citizens To Have Birthday Party

Silverton Senior Citizens will have their monthly birthday party at the Center beginning at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, July 8.

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## Caprock Home Center Has New Owners

Caprock Home Center in Quitaque has been purchased by Roland and Donna Hamilton from Randy and Alana Powell, with the sale becoming effective June 1.

The Powells will remain in Quitaque where Randy will continue to be available for appliance repair in the area. His new phone number for this service is 806-455-1170.

The Powells stated that they appreciate all the loyal patronage of the area people during their 14 years of ownership of Caprock Home Center. They would like for their customers to continue to support Roland and Donna.

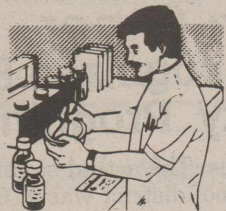
Roland said he was elated to be back in Quitaque and encourages everyone to come by for a visit or supplies. The business

will continue as before, with no changes planned at this time.

## WEATHER

### JUNE 24-HOUR READINGS

DAY	HIGH	LOW	PRECIP.
1	76	55	
2	86	55	
3	81	58	
4	81	58	
5	81	58	
6	77	57	
7	76	60	.31
8	75	56	.92
9	64	55	.37
10	79	55	.08
11	79	55	
12	86	59	
13	93	57	
14	85	57	
15	84	60	.99
16	83	58	
17	81	56	.72
18	82	56	
19	89	59	
20	98	66	
21	98	60	
22	88	59	
23	71	63	.18
24	82	63	
Total June Precip.			3.57
Normal June Precip.			3.78
Total Precip. Rec'd.			
Year to Date			16.27
Normal Precip. For Year to Date			10.56



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## Your Steering Style May Need To Be Updated

Calley Payne  
 Briscoe County  
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In *Car & Travel* magazine, Stephanie Faul reports that the steering style you learned in driver's education may be outdated. Most of today's drivers were taught to drive with the hands at the "10 and 2" positions. Today, however, experts recommend putting your hands lower on the steering wheel, with your left hand between 7 and 9 o'clock and your right hand between 3 and 5 o'clock. This lower position is easier on the shoulders, according to Dr. Francis Kenel, traffic safety consultant. By keeping your hands on the outside of the wheel, your forearms are also out of the deployment area in an air bag-equipped car. If your hands are over the center of the steering wheel (housing for the air bag), they'll be forced back if the air bag deploys, risking abrasion to the forearms and facial injury or cuts from rings, watches and other jewelry.

Other traffic experts recommend putting your hands on the outside of the steering wheel in a balanced position. Grip the steering wheel lightly and concentrate on finger pressure to get feedback from the wheel. Putting your hands on the outside of the wheel also encouraged the "push-pull-slide" turning technique. Kenel states that "for best control, let the wheel slide through your fingers, or reverse the push-pull process to get it back to center steer."

Kenel claims that a lower hand position and push-pull-slide steering eliminates the hand-over-hand movements that may contribute to run-off-the-road crashes in an emergency steer to the shoulder.

Terry Kline, senior research assistant in the Safety Education Department at Texas A&M University, says that to steer a car, you need to look where you want it to go. He believes that good vision control is critical to steering skill, because you naturally steer the vehicle in the direction you're looking. He recommends looking 20 to 30 seconds down your intended path of travel. This "look ahead" allows you enough time to adjust to new situations without panic. When driving on curves, this "look ahead" also gives you better control in steering for a smoother continuous turn rather than several shorter jerky turns.

Additional hints for safer steering include:

- keep your shoulders level with the top of the wheel to improve your line of sight
- tilt steering wheel and seats to find the right driving position for you
- stay 12 or more inches away from the wheel to allow room for steering maneuvers
- keep arms slightly bent to

reduce fatigue

Source: *Car & Travel* magazine and National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

## Lawn Maintenance

by Pammy Millican  
 Briscoe County  
 Extension Agent-Ag

A healthy, green lawn is the single most important part of any home landscape. Maintenance of an attractive lawn is relatively easy, if proper management practices are used at the correct time.

On the High Plains, watering is probably the single most important factor in maintaining a healthy lawn. A general rule is to water as infrequently and as thoroughly as possible to give the lawn one to two inches of water per week. To determine if enough water is being applied, check the soil moisture. The soil surface may dry out between waterings, but the soil from two to twenty-four inches should always remain moist.

Infrequent watering gives better root growth and therefore healthier plants. It also leads to more efficient water use by the lawn, requiring less total water through the season. In addition, with less frequent watering, disease problems are less likely to occur in the turf. The optimum is watering once a week. In sloping areas on clay soils, water infiltration rates may require more frequent applications of smaller amounts of water to lessen runoff. In these areas using sprinklers with slow application rates (0.25 inches/hr. or less) will also help avoid runoff.

The optimum time of day to water is early morning. At this time there is less likely to be a wind problem which can affect sprinkler patterns causing uneven watering of lawns. There is also less water loss to evaporation when watering is done in the early morning. Watering in the morning allows the leaf blades to dry off immediately in the sun. Since diseases develop primarily on moist leaves, morning watering reduces disease problems in home lawns.

In winter when lawns are dormant, roots are still actively growing and need one inch of water per month to remain healthy. Snow and rain received each month may be subtracted from the inch required. The remainder must be applied.

Mowing is also very important in lawn maintenance. Mowing greatly affects the density, texture, color and root growth of lawns. Improper mowing can rapidly cause a lawn to die out. Bermuda grass should be mowed at a height of 1 to 1 1/2 inches. Other grasses used in lawns on the High Plains should be mowed at a height of 1 1/2 to 2 1/2 inches. Mowing lower than recommended will weaken the grasses, causing them to die in periods of either heat, drought, or cold stress. The lawn should be mowed frequently enough that no more than 40% of the leaf tissue is removed in any one mowing. Removing more plant material at one time is a severe shock to the plant. This means that the shorter the grass is cut, the more frequently it must be mowed.

A sharp lawn mower blade is important in maintaining a well groomed lawn. A dull blade shreds rather than cuts leaf blades causing the tips to turn brown a day or two after mowing. Lawn mower blades should be sharpened several time during a season.

## 4-H Youth Show Lamb Projects

by Pammy Millican  
 Briscoe County  
 Extension Agent-Ag

Show lambs are just one of several "Livestock Projects" that youth in Briscoe County can benefit from. Livestock Projects teach youth Responsibility, Record Keeping, Dedication, and Good Work Habits that they will take with them wherever they may go. The biggest benefit of "Livestock Projects" through 4-H is that it is a "family project." Both parents and youth should work together to reach a common goal.

The time has come to start looking for "Show Lamb Projects." Anyone that is interested in a "Lamb Project" or any other project, please call me, Pammy Millican, 806-823-2131, Ext. 13.

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**LOOKING BACK**

through the files of the  
Briscoe County News

**July 25, 1987**--Fourth of July to be celebrated in Silverton . . . Ice cream truck coming to Silverton on Mondays and Thursdays . . . Frank Yeary has been on the sick list this week, but is some improved now. Mrs. Yeary is some better also . . . Funeral services conducted for Ida M. Smith, 77 . . . Warner Brooks Grabbe, 72, taken by death . . . Rancher's love for cutting horses passed on to children, Billy Rank, Jim and Dick Cogdell, who were competitors in last week's Non Pro cutting horse events . . . Ashel McDaniel was expected home this week, after having undergone treatment at Methodist Hospital in Houston for several days . . .

**June 30, 1977**--Girls attending basketball camp at Wayland Baptist College last week were Brenda Boling, Susie Tipton, DeAnn Strange, Sally Northcutt, Tandy McJimsey, Delinda Ziegler, Missy Brown, Dena Green, Cynthia Edwards, Katy Francis, Vicki McJimsey, Scotti Fleming, Kim Fitzgerald, Staci Mayfield, Melinda Sutton and Stacy Robertson . . . Youth leaders from Briscoe County 4-H Clubs who attended the Teen Leader Lab last week are Leslie Pigg, Connie Rowell, Jolanda Clayton, Lex Herrington and Walter Perkins . . . Briscoe County Sheriff's Deputy Ronnie Mull was assaulted while giving a ticket to a man about a mile west of Quitaque early Monday morning . . . Cynthia Edwards has been invited to compete in pole bending at the American Junior Quarter Horse Association World Championship Show the first week in August after being the high point representative from the Texas Junior Quarter Horse Association . . . Mr. and Mrs. David Schott are parents of a daughter, Sarah Denise . . . Jeff Jones underwent nose surgery Wednesday at St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock . . . Ted Wilson, a Wayland Baptist College sophomore, was on the Dean's Honor Roll for the spring semester . . .

**June 29, 1967**--Jane Self is Rainbow Grand Representative . . . Beneficial rainfall reported here . . . Jimmy Burson is working on a dude ranch near Colorado Springs this summer . . . Mrs. Dee McWilliams is recipient of a 10-year pin which represents her service to the Briscoe County Unit of the American Cancer Society . . . J. T. Gilkeyson has recently been a patient in the Lockney Hospital . . . Mrs. Carl Satterfield and Mrs. M. C. Kitchens attended a tea in Panhandle Saturday afternoon at which the engagement of Miss Margaret Sue Satterfield to Jerry Wayne Wright was announced . . . Mrs. S. R. Turner recently returned home following a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Gilkeyson and other relatives in Dallas . . . Lonnie Drewry has been attending a Chevrolet parts school in

Oklahoma City this week. He took his daughters, Rhonda and Robin, to visit their maternal grandparents while enroute to the school . . . James Cathey has been attending two weeks of Army Reserve Camp at Sandia Base near Albuquerque, New Mexico . . . Mr. and Mrs. Ed Shelton are parents of a son born June 22 . . . Ruth Ann Minyard honored her sister, Margaret, with a birthday dinner Saturday evening in the home of their grandmother, Mrs. H. C. Mercer . . .

**July 4, 1957**--Scoutmaster and boys left Tuesday to attend National Jamboree at Valley Forge. Boys making the trip are Mike Mercer, Robert Rhode, Joe Anderson, Charles Cowart, Champ McGavock and Wendall Patterson . . . Alvin Jackson installed as president of Silverton Lions Club . . . Miss Ester Camp to marry Mr. Thomas Brooks . . . Helping Hand Club meets with Mrs. J. Lee Francis. Attending were Mes. Aubrey Rowell, Lenton Lanham, Jack Harris, Garland Francis, Alva C. Jasper, Clyde Bramlett, Wade Steele, John Gill and the hostess . . . Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Holt returned home Thursday from a week's visit with her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Boyce, at Center, Colorado . . . Pfc. Derron Thompson expects to leave shortly for Korea. He has spent a thirty-day emergency leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Luke Thompson and LaGuan . . . Robert London underwent surgery in a Plainview hospital Monday morning. Mes. R. C. Hutsell and P. L. Brown went to Plainview to be with Mrs. London during the operation . . . L. C. Yates entered the Lockney hospital Saturday afternoon. It was thought that he had suffered a light heart attack . . . Mr. and Mrs. Esdell Hutsell, Janet, Bobby and Jill of Levelland are spending an extended visit here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hutsell, other relatives and friends . . .

**June 26, 1947**--Harvest moves into full swing though hampered by showers . . . Pfc. Lester E. Paige, jr. has completed an air training course and has been graduated from the Chanute Field, Illinois Air Forces School . . . Miss Betty Ruth Arnold returned home Tuesday of this week from Lubbock where she had been visiting friends over the weekend . . . Mona Brock was honored recently with a birthday dinner at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Brock. Attending were Mary Tom Bomar, Teresa Crass, Betty Dickerson, Lanelle Copeland, LaRue Gilkeyson, Marion Arnold and the honoree, Mona Brock . . . Miss Martha Jo Griffith became the bride of William Travis Lee in a candlelight ceremony performed by Mr. Weatherby, Justice of the Peace . . . In honor of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph B. Powell, the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Allard was the scene of a reception last Friday evening. Assisting Mrs. Allard as co-hostesses were Mrs. Naomi Trower, Mrs.

Opal Hill, Mrs. Leavie Lindsey and Miss Annette Wilson . . .



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## GED, CLEP Test Dates Scheduled

July testing dates have been scheduled at Clarendon College. Tests to be administered are the CLEP and GED.

GED testing (High School Equivalency Exam) will be given Monday, July 21, at 8:00 a.m. in the Bairfield Activity Center. Cost of the exam is \$40. Results will be available in 2 1/2 weeks. Individuals must call the Counseling Center in advance to schedule for the GED test.

Clarendon College also offers CLEP (College-Level Examination Program) tests. Cost of each CLEP test is \$50. Students who wish to take the CLEP will need to register by calling the CC Counseling Center at 806-874-

3571. Examinations are limited to the following subjects: Accounting, American Government, U. S. History, College Algebra, Economics, Psychology, Sociology, Spanish and Trigonometry. Test results will be available in 2 1/2 weeks.

The CLEP exam will begin at 1:00 p.m. Thursday, July 10. The exam also will be given at 1:00 p.m. on Monday, July 21. Both the GED and CLEP exams will be conducted in the Bairfield Activity Center. For more information about any of these tests, please call the Clarendon College Counseling Center, Mon.-Thurs., at 806-874-3571.

## Clarendon College To Offer Math Short Course This Summer

Clarendon College will offer a three-week short course in College Algebra (MATH 1314), beginning June 30.

The three-credit course will be taught by Darryl Perryman, chairman of the college's math department. The class will meet Mondays through Thursdays from 8:00 a.m. until noon in the CC Administration Building.

"Traditionally, this has been a very popular summer course with students in our service area," Dr. Scott Elliott, Clarendon College President, said. "Students can earn three credit hours in a relatively short period of time. Mr. Perryman has taught the course for a number of years, and it's always proved successful with our students. It's a special opportunity for recent high school graduates to start their college experience."

Students may register at the CC Administration Building every Mon.-Thurs., from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., or register at the beginning of the class on June 30. Payment is expected at the time of registration. Cost of the class is \$88 for in-district (Donley County) residents and \$94 for Texas residents. Cost of the algebra book is \$42 used and \$55 new.

To register for the College Algebra Short Course, students must have a copy of their high school or college transcript, GED certificate or a letter of permission from their high school principal or counselor, ACT and TASP scores.

For more information about the College Algebra Short Course, or any of the summer courses offered by Clarendon College, please call 1-800-687-9737 (Mon.-Thurs.).

## DPS Plans Recruit School

The Texas Department of Public Safety is seeking applicants for a recruit school scheduled to begin September 22, 1997. Persons who successfully complete the rigorous six-month recruit training academy in Austin will join one of the country's premier law enforcement agencies.

"We're encouraging all persons interested in a career with the DPS to go by their nearest DPS office and get a complete application package and a list of all the qualifications," said Lt. Curley Colquitt, who heads the DPS recruitment effort. "The DPS is very interested in attracting qualified female and minority applicants, since historically those groups have been under represented in law enforcement," he said.

Applications will be accepted through 5:00 p.m. June 20 from out-of-state and through 5:00 p.m. July 11 from Texas residents. Persons interested in applying should contact their nearest DPS office or Lt. Curley Colquitt, 512-424-5903.



### CAPITOL COMMENT

U.S. SENATOR  
**KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON**



### ANSWERS TO SOME TAXING QUESTIONS

Several weeks ago in this column I outlined a number of proposed tax reductions under consideration in Congress. While our sights remain fixed on finding a way to balance the federal budget, tax relief is high on readers' minds as well.

The possible cuts outlined were estate tax relief, child tax credit, capital gains tax cut, education tax cut and individual retirement accounts. Then I asked you to tell me which cuts were most important to you.

I received a number of interesting comments that I will share later in this column, but first a brief review of your priorities.

The clear favorite as the most important tax cut for you and your family is estate tax relief. Thirty-four percent of those who responded said an estate tax cut is the most important; 16 percent of you reported it as the second most important priority. Overall, 66 percent of you ranked estate tax relief as one of your top three tax relief measures.

A capital gains tax cut ranked second in popularity. Twenty-six percent of you listed a cut in the capital gains tax as the most important kind of relief for you; 32 percent listed it as the second most important tax relief measure.

Nearly 17 percent of you said the IRA provision is most important; another 11 percent reported it as the second most important priority; 71 percent of you listed the IRA changes as one of your top three tax-relief priorities.

Fourteen percent of you said the child tax credit is the most important tax-relief provision; about 13 percent said it is the second most important item.

Finally, 9 percent of you responded that the education tax cut is the most important tax cut for you; almost 29 percent said it is the second most important cut.

Responding to the questions about estate taxes, one person wrote, "There really should not be any estate taxes. Taxes already have been paid once in accumulating the estate." Another observed, "If a person works hard enough to save and make a future for their family, they should be able to share it with their family. Under the current system, there is no incentive to work and save — you just have to give it all to the government."

Another woman summed up her life of paying taxes: "We pay taxes each year on what we make. Then we invest anything left over and pay taxes on our investments. Then (our family) has to pay the estate tax."

The second most popular tax-cut proposal was capital gains tax cuts. A family wrote, "Capital gains should take inflation into consideration. After holding something for a good many years, your 'gains' actually are losses."

One respondent observed, "Enough of compromise. There should be a 40 percent to 50 percent reduction in the capital gains tax — for all capital gains, not just the sale of a home."

A couple replied, "The capital gains tax takes all incentive out of doing business. If people don't invest, there will be no job opportunities, the economy would slow and there would be much less taxes paid. As long as investors can make a little, they have an incentive to invest for everyone's future."

About phasing out limits on IRAs, one person wrote, "This suggestion sounds good in that you could pay taxes on what you contribute up front, but be allowed tax-free withdrawals. Quite often today, what older folks thought would be enough to live on turns out not to go far enough."

"It is important to encourage people to save and accumulate funds," another responded. "Right now, you pay taxes on your income, and then get taxed on what you set aside. You pay taxes on those funds twice."

Another wrote, "Taxes should be structured so people make their own decisions and are responsible for their own futures. It is a disgrace that government punishes people for saving and being thrifty."

Fourth on your list was the child tax credit. Although this was a popular proposal, many of those who wrote to comment on it did so in the negative. One family wrote, "The child tax credit leaves people with adult children no credit for having raised them."

But others observed, "Two wage-earner families need help now."

Finally, on the issue of education tax credits, we received a letter that lays out the situation eloquently:


"Every dollar we save is taxed. My son starts college in the fall but we are not eligible for funds because we work and we save. We face huge loans and debt for many years to come."

"We are not asking for a handout. We would like a little justice, though. Stop punishing those who work, save and play by the rules. An education tax credit would level the playing field."

Another reader wrote, "Without education, opportunity evaporates."

Your responses were revealing, and I would like to thank every Texan who took time to fill out the questionnaire, comment on the issues it raised, and mail it to our office. A special thanks, as well, to your newspaper for publishing it.

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# Larry Mantle is New Silverton Football Coach

Larry Mantle, younger brother of the late Mickey Mantle and one of the most successful football coaches in Oklahoma schoolboy history, was recently employed as Silverton's coach for its six-man football program.

Coach Mantle will replace Clyde Parham, who will be coaching at Wilson this fall.

It's a long way from Yankee Stadium, where Larry Mantle watched his big brother transform into a national hero in the 1950s and '60s, to Silverton's Payne Field. But in a few weeks that is where Larry Mantle will be, on the sidelines calling plays for the Owls, and, he hopes, leading the "Bad Birds" on to victory.

It may seem strange to some that the brother of one of baseball's all-time best players is coaching six-man football in Silverton.

To Larry Mantle, however, the job is everything he could have hoped for.

"I'm really looking forward to it," the 56-year-old coach said last week as he and his wife, Linda, began settling into their new home here.

Having retired after 26 years of coaching high school football in Oklahoma, Mantle quickly realized he missed the sport too much to stay away.

"I really got to missing football," he said.

Larry and Linda moved to Lawton, Oklahoma, where their oldest son, 29-year-old Garrette, serves as basketball coach.

"I thought he needed my help. He didn't," laughed Larry, whose other son, 25-year-old Kelly, lives in Chicago where he is pursuing an acting career while working for a tax company.

Thinking an assistant football coach's job awaited him in Montgomery, Larry and Linda moved to the town near Houston. But Larry wound up serving as assistant basketball coach and assistant golf coach instead.

"I still wanted to coach football, and we wanted to find a place closer to Lawton," Larry said, adding that the Houston area's humid weather also made the decision to leave an easy one.

So when Coach Parham announced plans to leave, the Owls—who normally field a strong team but with young players have failed to post a winning record the past three years—needed a new leader.

Along comes Larry Mantle.

"We're only three hours from Lawton, and Garrette plays a couple of games at Altus right across the (Oklahoma) border," Larry said. "That will work out pretty good."

The Mantles also wanted to return to a small town, like the one Larry grew up in—Commerce, in the northeastern corner of Oklahoma.

It was there that Larry, the youngest of the family, watched his brother take the first steps

of his Hall of Fame career.

"Basically everything was just baseball," remembered Larry, who was 10 years younger than Mickey. "Mickey got to do all the hitting and the rest of us got to chase the balls.

"That was a whole large part of our lives. Mickey did a lot of batting practices when he was growing up."

Understandably, baseball was always the hot topic in the Mantle household.

Larry said his dad, who worked in the lead and zinc mines and died when Larry was 11, "always played Mickey up.

"Daddy made Mickey be a switch-hitter because he said some day the game would become so specialized that only left-handed batters would bat against right-handed pitchers (and vice versa). Daddy pitched to him right-handed and granddaddy threw to him left-handed."

Mickey signed with the Yankees when he was only 17, and when the team played in St. Louis or Kansas City, Larry would make the trip to watch. Then, when he got older, Larry started making trips to New York in the summer.

"Mickey would go on road trips and be gone 4-5 weeks, so I would go up and help Merlyn (Mickey's wife) take care of their four boys," Larry said.

When the team was in town, Larry routinely went to Yankee Stadium with his brother and a few times went to Florida for spring training.

"I saw him play a lot, and I know I'm prejudiced but I tell people this because I really believe it: He's the best all-around player that's ever played.

"He hit the longest home run that's ever been hit (565 feet), nobody ran to first base faster, and he was a great outfielder with a great arm.

"Technique-wise I don't think Mickey was a great hitter, but he swung hard. The quote I always remember, somebody asked him one time if he ever went up and swung as hard as he could. He said 'I do that every time.' Every time he went up he was swinging for the fences."

Larry said Mickey "was a great person . . . all my family is, which is probably the way most people feel. I never really realized he was such a celebrity and neither did he."

Mickey died in Dallas on August 13, 1995, of rapidly-spreading liver cancer. He was 63.

# 4-H Youth Attend State Roundup

by Calley Payne  
Briscoe County  
Extension Agent-FCS

A group of 21 traveled to College Station June 2-6 for State 4-H Roundup, held on the campus of Texas A&M University. Briscoe County had teams competing in four different contests.

Meat Judging and ID--Molly Brooks, Coy McKay, Mandy Pigg  
Horse Bowl--Terri Chitwood, Ben Pigg, Jamie Pigg, Briana Sperry

Natural Resources--Katy Hester, Tyler Young

Share-the-Fun Drama--Teal Bennett, Donny Burson, Miles Comer, Jared Francis, Will Hester, Coy McKay, Hollie

McKay, Briana Sperry, Trey Ziegler

Others attending were Janinne Brooks, Bena Hester, Pammy Millican, Calley Payne and JonEtta Ziegler.

Besides competing in contests, the group attended nightly awards assemblies and dances, and spirit rallies which featured a motivational speaker and a hypnotist.

Briscoe County was well represented by an excellent group of 4-H'ers, which was one of the largest delegations from the district attending the event.

# Master Marketing

by Pammy Millican  
Briscoe County  
Extension Agent-Ag

With the increasing cost and risk involved with farming, sev-

eral farmers are looking at utilizing the Futures and Options Markets as insurance against falling prices.

Three area farmers took part in a "Master Marketing Class" in Lubbock this past year. Through this rigorous training they learned how to utilize the Futures and Options Markets as an Insurance Policy to falling prices.

Over the past several months a "Multi-County Marketing Club" has started meeting. They meet every second and fourth Tuesday in Quitaque or Turkey--the place varies.

If you have any questions, please contact the Agricultural Agent in the Briscoe County Extension Office at Silverton, Texas.

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**Open House**  
Sunday, June 29 2:00 - 5:00 p.m.

**Happy Anniversary--**

June 26--Mr. and Mrs. Rhett Montague, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Turner, Mr. and Mrs. Dale McWaters, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Asebedo  
June 27--Mr. and Mrs. Doug Forbes  
June 28--Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Perkins  
June 29--Mr. and Mrs. Bud Couch, Mr. and Mrs. Kerry

Copeland  
June 30--Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sutton  
July 1--Mr. and Mrs. Alvie Francis, Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Gaskins  
July 2--Mr. and Mrs. Lyndell Couch, Mr. and Mrs. Rick Stephens, Mr. and Mrs. Dwin Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Smith

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**Happy Birthday-- Air Bag Safety: The Essential Message**

June 26--Tommy Davis  
June 27--Delois Baker, Janinne Brooks, Leona Yancey, Chad Turner, Mike Grady, Gerry James  
June 28--Stoney Hubbard, Wayne Stephens, Cally Burk  
June 29--Danny Schulte, Paul McWilliams, Tad Cornett, Garner Garrison  
June 30--Richie Hill, Peggy Fleming, Eber Gill, Caleb Joseph Bean  
July 1--Kyler Clay Bean, Avonna Miller, Hazel Grabbe, Mildred Davis, Joe Maciel  
July 2--Weston Scott Roberts

Calley Payne  
County Extension Agent

Most new vehicles have air bags for front-seat passengers and when used in conjunction with lap/shoulder belts, air bags work extremely well. Air bags do not work with rear-facing child seats.

Air bags could seriously injure or even kill an unbuckled child or adult who is sitting too close to the air bag or who is thrown toward the dash during emergency braking. In a crash, the air bag inflates very quickly at approximately 200 mph. It could hit anything close to the dash with enough force to cause severe injuries or even death. The back of rear-facing child seat sits very close to the dash. The seat could be struck with enough force to cause serious, or even fatal, injuries to a baby. The rear seat is the safety place for children of any age to ride.

An infant in a rear-facing child seat must ride in the back seat if your vehicle has a passenger side air bag. Babies under one year and 20 pounds should always ride in a rear-facing seat.

Essential information to remember:

- Infants (under age one and under 20 pounds) in rear-facing

child safety seats should NEVER ride in the front seat of a vehicle with a passenger-side air bag.

- Young children and infants should always ride properly secured in age and size appropriate child safety seats. NEVER place an infant facing front.

- Children too large for child safety seats should always wear both lap AND shoulder belts. Childre age 12 and under should ride buckled up in the back seat.

- Adults should sit at least 10 to 12 inches from the air bag cover.

Make sure everyone in your vehicle is properly secured. Know how to properly install your child safety seat and read both the owner's manual for your vehicle and the instructions for your child safety seat.

**Clinic Records Will Be Kept Here**

Briscoe County Foundation and Briscoe County Clinic will retain custody of the medical records of the patients of the clinic when it closes July 3.

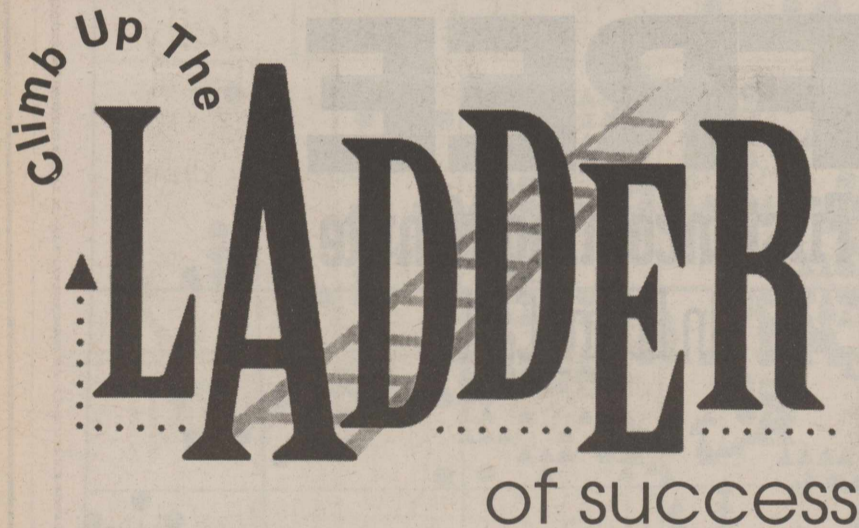
According to Anthony Kingery, spokesman for the BCF, negotiations are continuing with other health providers to try to reopen the clinic as soon as possible. It is hoped that the down time will be kept to a minimum.

**New Arrival**

Michael and Wendy Hill of Slaton are the proud parents of a daughter, Kristen Michaela, born May 27, 1997 at 9:09 a.m. at Methodist Hospital in Lubbock. She weighed six pounds and four ounces and measured 19 1/2 inches long.

She joins her brother, Jason, 14, and her sister, Kandy, nine.

Grandparents are Carlye and Donald Fleming of Silverton, Robert and Elvira Hill of Amarillo, Sandy and Delma Bloxom of Slaton, and her great-grandmother is Iwana Monroe of Silverton.



**Summer II classes begin June 30. Sign Up Now!**

**Clarendon — June 30 - August 8, 1997:**

World Literature II	ENGL 2333	6-10 p.m. TBA
Texas Government	GOVT 2302	6-10 p.m. MW
U.S. History to 1865	HIST 1301	6-10 p.m. MW
College Algebra	MATH 1314	8 a.m. - Noon, M-Th (June 30-July 17)

\*Registration begins at 8 a.m. on Monday, June 30, at in the Student Services Office.

**Childress — June 30 - August 8, 1997:**

Interpersonal Speech	SPCH 1318	6-10 p.m. MW
Intro to Computers	COSC 1301	6-10 p.m. TTH
Eng. Comp./Rhetoric I	ENGL 1301	6-10 p.m. TTH
Eng. Comp./Rhetoric II	ENGL 1302	6-10 p.m. MW
Texas Government	GOVT 2302	6-10 p.m. TTH
Plane Trigonometry	MATH 1316	6-10 p.m. MW
Business Calculus	MATH 1325	6-10 p.m. TTH
Intro. To Humanities	HUMA 1315	6-10 p.m. TTH

\*Registration will begin at 5 p.m. on June 30 in the High School Library.

**Memphis — June 30 - August 8, 1997:**

Botany	BIOL 1411	5:30-9:30 p.m. MW
General Chemistry II	CHEM 1412	5:30-9:30 p.m. TTH
U.S. History to Present	HIST 1302	6-10 p.m. TTH

\*Registration will begin the first night of class, at Memphis High School.

**Wellington — June 30 - August 8, 1997:**

Developmental Math	MATH 0306	TBA
Reading Fundamentals	READ 0306	TBA
Writing Fundamentals	ENGL 0306	TBA
Nutrition	BIOL 1322	6-10 p.m. MW
Botany	BIOL 1411	6-10 p.m. MW
Human A&P II	BIOL 2402	6-10 p.m. TTH
Intro. To Computers	COSC 1301	6-10 p.m. MW
Courts & Procedure	CRIJ 1306	6-10 p.m. TTH
Eng. Comp./Rhetoric II	ENGL 1302	6-10 p.m. MW
World Literature II	ENGL 2333	6-10 p.m. TTH
Texas Government	GOVT 2302	6-10 p.m. MW
U.S. History to Present	HIST 1302	6-10 p.m. MW
Intro. To Humanities	HUMA 1315	6-10 p.m. TTH
General Psychology	PSYC 2301	6-10 p.m. TTH
Child Psychology	PSYC 2308	6-10 p.m. MW
Social Issues	SOCI 1306	6-10 p.m. TTH

\*Registration will begin June 30 at 5 p.m. in the Jr. High Annex.

**Pampa — June 30 - August 8, 1997:**

Nutrition	BIOL 1322	8-12 a.m. TTH
Human A&P II	BIOL 2402	6-9:50 p.m. TTH
Eng. Comp./Rhetoric I	ENGL 1301	8-12 a.m. MW
Eng. Comp./Rhetoric I	ENGL 1301	1-3:50 p.m. TTH
Eng. Comp./Rhetoric II	ENGL 1302	8-12 p.m. TTH
Eng. Comp./Rhetoric II	ENGL 1302	1-4:50 p.m. MW
World Literature I	ENGL 2332	1-4:50 p.m. MW
World Literature II	ENGL 2333	6-9:50 p.m. MW
Amer. Constitution	GOVT 2301	6-9:50 p.m. TTH
Texas Government	GOVT 2302	1-4:50 p.m. TTH
Intermediate Algebra	MATH 0308	6-9:50 p.m. TTH
College Algebra	MATH 1314	8-12 p.m. TTH
Plane Trigonometry	MATH 1316	6-9:50 p.m. MW
Music Appreciation	MUSI 1306	6-9:50 p.m. TTH
General Psychology	PSYC2301	7:30-11:30 a.m. TTH
General Psychology	PSYC 2301	6-9:50 p.m. MW
Child Psychology	PSYC 2308	6-9:50 p.m. TTH
Public Speaking	SPCH 1315	8-12 a.m. MW
U.S. History to 1865	HIST 1301	6-9:50 p.m. MW
U.S. History to Present	HIST1302	8-11:50 a.m. MW

\*Registration begins at 8 a.m., June 10, 1997, at the CC Pampa Center at 900 N. Frost. For more information regarding Pampa classes, please call (806) 665-8801 (Mon.-Thurs.).

*To enroll in a class at Clarendon College, individuals must bring a copy of their official high school transcript or GED certificate, ACT/SAT scores, TASP scores, official transcripts from other colleges attended, and admission forms for Clarendon College. Current high school students are required to bring proof of approval from their principal or counselor. Payment is due at time of registration.*

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## What You Should Know About Your Disability Coverage

by Mary Jane Shanes  
Social Security Manager  
Plainview, Texas

Not everybody is aware that their Social Security taxes pay for disability insurance protection in addition to retirement, survivors insurance and Medicare hospital insurance. Four out of five workers are covered and would receive benefits if they became disabled and unable to work.

Even if you are aware of the coverage you may not know that you need recent work to keep the disability protection current. The amount of recent work you need for disability benefits depends on your age at which you became disabled. It varies from as little as 1 1/2 years out of the past three years for people disabled under age 24 to a maximum of five years out of the last 10 for people disabled after age 30.

A typical case is that of Mary Jones, who left the workforce at age 21 to raise her twin daughters. When she was diagnosed with breast cancer three years later, she found out that she could not qualify for disability benefits because, even though she had worked for four years, at age 24 she needed at least a year and a half of work out of the preceding three years.

It's easy enough to keep your disability coverage current. You get a credit of coverage for a certain amount of earnings--\$670 in 1997, with a maximum of four credits in a year. This means you

### 4-H and FFA Steer Validation

by Pammy Millican  
Briscoe County  
Extension Agent-Ag

Well it's that time of year to validate Show Steers!!!

All Show Steers must be validated through the State Validation Program.

All Show Steers must be validated before June 30, 1997.

If you plan to show a steer this year and you have not already validated your animal, please contact your County Extension Agent or your Agricultural Teacher.

### Subscription Prices To Go Up

Prices of yearly subscriptions to the *Briscoe County News* will be increasing at the first of July 1997.

The rate for papers mailed in Briscoe and adjoining counties will become \$15.50 per year. This is an increase of almost four cents per issue.

The rate for papers mailed elsewhere in Texas will become \$17.50, and the rate for papers mailed to addresses outside of Texas will become \$18.50.

This increase is the first in several years, and is made necessary by rising costs.

only need earnings of \$2,680 during a year to qualify for a year of coverage in 1997. The amount of earnings that constitute a credit of coverage increases annually with increases in general wage levels.

Few workers have private, long-term disability insurance. Social Security disability protection is equal to a \$201,000 disability policy for an average income earner with a spouse and two children. Once you start receiving benefits, they continue as long as you are disabled.

Social Security studies indicate that a 20-year-old worker has a three-in-ten chance of becoming disabled before age 65. This means that keeping your disability coverage current makes sense for financial security for yourself and your family.

## Obituaries



### SHERRI M. BOWMAN

Funeral services for Sherri McJimsey Bowman, 39, of Amarillo, were conducted at 2:00 p.m. Monday at the First Baptist Church in Silverton with the Rev. Edwin Norris officiating.

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

Mrs. Bowman died at her residence Friday, June 20.

Born in Hereford, she was a graduate of Silverton High School with the Class of 1976. She received her bachelor's degree in nursing from Midwestern State University.

She married Garry Bowman in 1993 in Silverton.

Survivors include her husband; and her mother, Ann McJimsey, of Silverton.

Pallbearers were David Lewis, Terry Bomar, Barry Francis, Tommy Davis, Able Asebedo, Ronnie Hale, Rick Hester, Billy McGavock and Walter Hill.

The family requested memorials be to favorite charities.

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Rains have returned to the Texas High Plains during the past couple of months and producers are working hard to take advantage of the situation.

According to Lubbock-based Plains Cotton Growers (PCG) the situation for most growers is considerably better than it has been at this time for the past several years. Adequate moisture levels mean sprinklers don't have to run and dryland crops are getting off to a good start.

Unfortunately there is always some bad news to temper any situation and this year it is the fact that the rainfall and associated hail and blowing sand could have caused as much as 200,000 acres of cotton to be lost across

the area.

Compared to the more than 900,000 acres lost in 1996, primarily to excessively dry conditions across much of the dryland area, the current picture doesn't look as bleak as it first appears. With time about exhausted for producers to plant back to cotton, many of these acres, and any additional losses, will likely be diverted to alternative crops.

Overall prospects are bright so long as producers are able to cope effectively through the remainder of the growing season. Insect pressure and the constant threat of hail with passing thunderstorms will be the most significant problems to avoid.

Final figures have been re-

leased for the 1996 High Plains crop and the area has established a new record for yield per harvested acre. The weighted average for the High Plains came in at 591.4 pounds per acre.

Overall the 25-county region produced 3,076,900 bales of cotton on 2,497,400 harvested acres. The down-side to the 1996 crop was the loss of 960,000 acres of mostly dryland production.

"The loss of so many dryland acres definitely impacted our production totals in 1996," says PCG Executive Vice President Donald Johnson. "Miraculously we were still able to set a new record for yield per harvested acre and break the three million bale production mark."

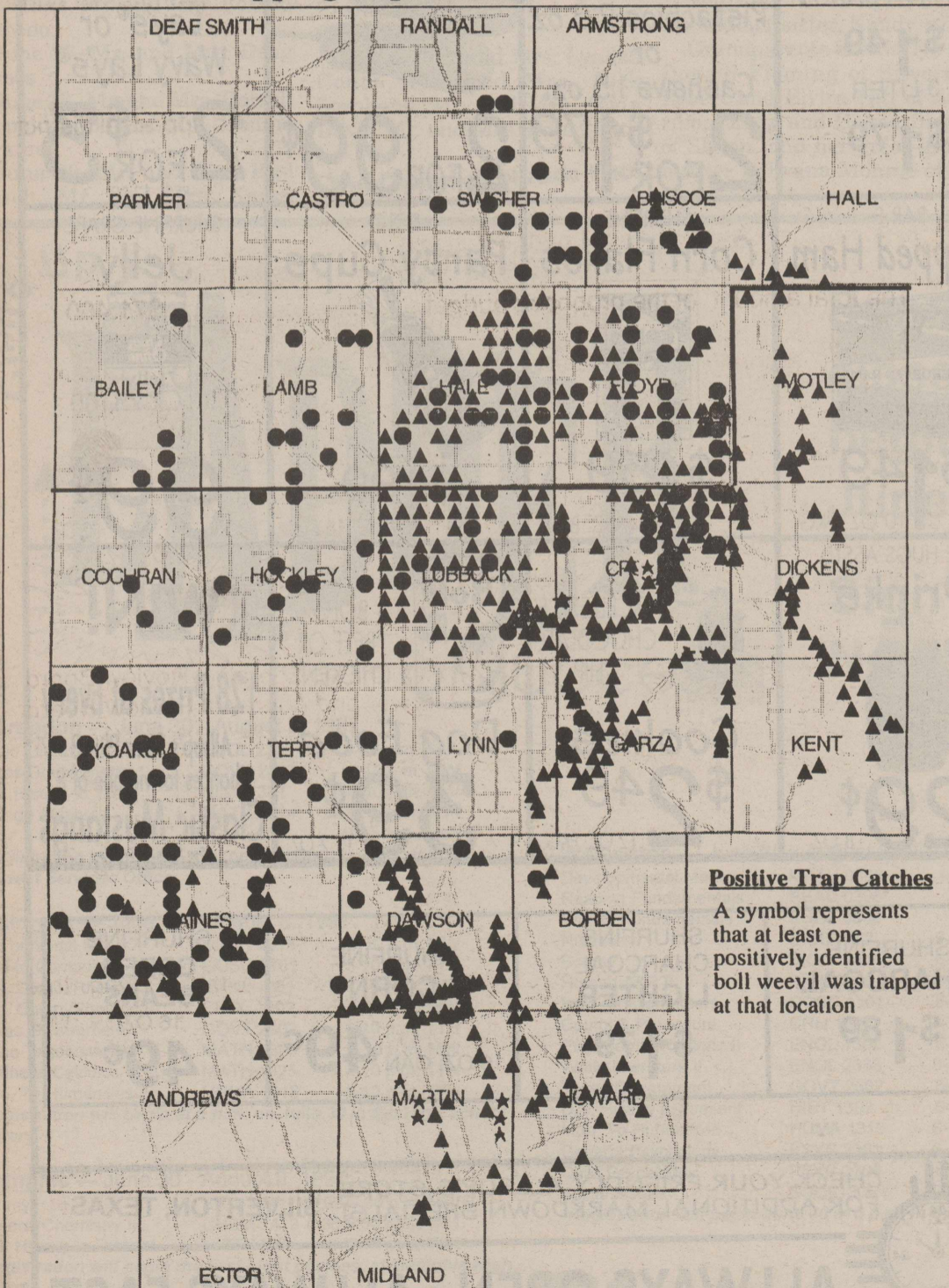
**Alternative Crops-- Continued From Page One**

to grow corn for top yields. The optimum planting date for soybeans is prior to June 1.

"However, soybeans can be planted as late as July 10 and

**Boll Weevil Trapping Report 1997**

Week 26 (06/16/97 thru 06/20/97)



**Positive Trap Catches**

A symbol represents that at least one positively identified boll weevil was trapped at that location

- AgriPartners Grid Trap
- ★ Crop Consultant or Producer Trap
- ▲ Plains Cotton Growers Trap

Data collected by AgriPartners Program of Texas Ag Extension Service, Independent Crop Consultants, individual cotton producers, and PCG Boll Weevil Control Program.

Map prepared by Plains Cotton Growers Boll Weevil Control Office

**1996 Crop Upland Cotton Texas High Plains**

Source: Texas Agricultural Statistics Service

County	Planted Acres	Harvested Acres	Yield/ Harvested Acre	Production
BAILEY	111,800	44,600	717	66,600
BORDEN	31,800	5,500	515	5,900
BRISCOE	38,600	33,000	513	35,300
CASTRO	59,200	52,000	928	100,500
COCHRAN	147,100	67,700	502	70,800
CROSBY	207,400	195,000	521	211,500
DAWSON	277,000	112,500	461	108,100
DEAF SMITH	7,600	6,800	685	9,700
DICKENS	30,700	20,000	391	16,300
FLOYD	173,400	145,300	614	185,800
GAINES	287,600	205,100	602	257,400
GARZA	39,700	27,700	442	25,500
HALE	217,400	175,700	788	288,300
HOCKLEY	252,700	201,900	538	226,300
HOWARD	108,300	24,200	182	9,200
LAMB	188,600	149,800	721	225,100
LUBBOCK	276,000	258,100	545	293,000
LYNN	270,600	199,700	473	196,700
MARTIN	131,800	37,300	348	26,900
MIDLAND	35,500	18,400	386	14,800
MOTLEY	33,900	29,400	302	18,500
PARMER	64,200	57,500	936	112,100
SWISHER	67,500	59,000	680	83,600
TERRY	264,000	251,300	630	329,800
YOAKUM	135,000	119,900	637	159,200
<b>25 County Totals</b>	<b>3,457,400</b>	<b>2,497,400</b>	<b>591.4 (weighted)</b>	<b>3,076,900</b>

make a crop," he said. Since soybeans are sensitive to day length, late plantings usually result in short stalk growth and may lead to poor harvest of the lower seed pods.

By planting on narrow rows and increasing the seeding rate, the soybean plant can be encouraged to set pods higher off the ground. Group IV soybeans usually work best for our area even when planted late, he said.

Herbicide residues of Treflan, Prowl, or Dual will have no effect on soybeans, said Dr. Bean. If Caporal, Cotoran or Karmex has been used, at least three or four inches of soil will need to be removed before establishing a seed furrow. Dr. Bean suggested if Staple has been applied, consider planting an STS soybean variety.

Another alternative crop Dr. Bean suggested is sunflowers. Planted as late as mid-July they can still make a good yield.

"This may be an especially good alternative for the dryland farmer," he said. If one summer irrigation can be made, it should be applied from budding until two weeks after first flowering. This is the critical period when stress on the sunflower plant should be avoided.

"Land treated with Treflan or Prowl shouldn't pose a problem for sunflowers," he said. However--like soybeans--if Karmex, Cotoran, Staple, or Capraol has been used, three to four inches of soil will need to be removed before planting. Sunflowers are also more tolerant to Staple than soybeans, although injury may still occur.

**Cedars Can Be Managed**

by Pammy Millican  
Briscoe County  
Extension Agent-Ag

On the hillsides and creeks that cut across the Texas landscape grows an evergreen that is depleting the state's water supply.

Experiment Station range-land ecologist, Dr. Charles Taylor, says juniper is a native evergreen whose numbers have exploded through the Texas Hill Country and much of the West.

The more trees there are, the more water they soak up and the quicker water shortages occur. Taylor says a mature juniper will use more than 30 gallons of water per day and because of its dense canopy, rainfall may not even reach the ground.

Taylor says the solution is range management. Control cutting is effective for small or environmentally sensitive areas. He says chemical controls are more cost effective over large acreage.

Taylor explains that controlling cedar does more than provide greater aquifer recharge for agriculture and urban needs. It actually improves the habitat for livestock and wildlife and reduces the danger of uncontrolled wildfires.

Contact your local Agricultural Agent, Pammy Millican, for more information about cedars and evergreen growth.

The study of ancient Egypt is called **Egyptology**.



# Harvest Aids For Wheat

Pammy Millican  
Briscoe County  
Extension Agent-Ag

The persistent rainfall and cool weather that much of the state have received during the months of April and May have delayed maturity and dry down in the wheat crop, and prevented harvest in areas where wheat has dried to acceptable moisture content for harvest. This weather also has provided ideal conditions for the growth of many weeds which are now threatening to seriously interfere with harvest activities. Many fields with large broadleaf weeds such as sunflower, pigweed, kochia, etc., and grasses such as johnsongrass will have unacceptable harvest losses due to overriding by combines, coupled with high moisture levels in grain due to the moisture picked up in grain from green weed parts, as well as severe dockage due to foreign matter in the grain. Several agrichemicals are currently labeled as harvest aids in wheat. These include 2, 4-D, Ally, Ally tank mixed with 2, 4-D, Roundup, and Roundup tank mixed with 2, 4-D or Banvel. There are several 2, 4-D labels, and growers should be aware that acceptable usage varies somewhat between labels. In the following text I will attempt to outline some important usage considerations with each of the products listed above, but this will in no means substitute for a thorough examination of the product label prior to purchase and use by the wheat farmer.

The 2, 4-D products are generally cleared after soft dough to aid in controlling broadleaf weeds prior to harvest. Rates vary from about one to three pints per acre, with higher rates likely to cause some crop injury if wheat is in the soft dough stage. Acceptable rate will vary with formulation, weed size, and growing conditions. The amine formulations generally are safer to the crop but are not as effective on large, tough weeds as are the ester formulations. Grazing is restricted for two weeks after treatment. 2, 4-D is labeled in small grains which includes wheat and other winter cereals.

Ally is labeled at the 0.1 oz/acre rate as a tank mix with 2, 4-D. This tank mix will generally enhance activity on large, tough weeds over that of 2, 4-D alone. Ally may be used without 2, 4-D in areas where it is restricted, but efficacy will be reduced. Ally and tank mixes is labeled on wheat and barley.

Banvel is cleared with a 24 (c) label for use as a harvest aid in Texas after hard dough and nodes of the wheat plant have lost their green color. The rate is 0.5 pints per acre and the label includes wild buckwheat, kochia, lambsquarters, pigweed spp., sunflower, and Russian thistle. It may be tank mixed with 0.5 to

1.0 lb./acre (active ingredient) of 2, 4-D to enhance activity and broaden spectrum of control. Banvel has a preharvest interval of 14 days. Banvel as a harvest aid is labeled only on wheat.

Roundup is labeled as a harvest aid in wheat, barley, oats and rye. It may be applied after hard dough when grain has less than 30% moisture. The maximum rate is one qt/acre. Preharvest interval is seven days. It is labeled for tank mixes with 2, 4-D or Banvel to enhance control on large, tough broadleaf weeds. Do not use Roundup on wheat to be used for seed as germination may be reduced. Roundup has no grazing restriction after harvest.

## Questions About Benefits Cutoffs

by Mary Jane Shanes  
Social Security Manager  
Plainview, Texas

On March 29, 1996, President Clinton signed Public Law 104-121, which prohibits paying Social Security disability insurance and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits after January 1, 1997 to persons whose disability is based on drug addiction or alcoholism. During June, the Social Security Administration (SSA) notified approximately 207,000 beneficiaries that their disability benefits and health care would end January 1, 1997, unless they are found to be disabled on some basis other than alcoholism and/or drug addiction.

Following are answers to some of the questions raised by the new law.

### Q. What should beneficiaries have done after they received their termination notice?

A. Benefit termination notices were mailed to beneficiaries and their representative payees in June 1996. People who think their benefits should not be stopped should have called SSA's 800 number (1-800-772-1213) or visited their local Social Security office right away and filed a request to appeal. The Social Security office must have had their appeal request in writing before the 60-day appeal period expired. The 60-day period began when they received the termination notice, which is assumed to be five days after the date it was mailed.

Additionally, SSI beneficiaries must have filed their appeal within 10 days after receiving the termination notice to continue to receive SSI after January 1, 1997, if Social Security did not make a decision by January 1, 1997.

### Q. Can benefits be continued during the appeal process?

A. SSI recipients may choose to continue to receive payments during the appeal process if they appealed within 10 days after receiving the termination notice. If Social Security did not make a decision by January 1, 1997, benefits will continue until a de-

cision is made.

Social Security disability insurance beneficiaries who appeal will receive their benefits through December 1996 but not after January 1, 1997, even if SSA has not made a decision on their appeal.

### Q. When will cash benefits end? When will Medicare and Medicaid coverage end?

A. Unless Social Security finds that the person is disabled because of an impairment other than drug addiction or alcoholism, cash benefits will end January 1, 1997. The last check was for the month of December; however, if the person appealed on or before July 29, 1996, and we have not made a decision by Decem-

ber 31, 1996, then benefits will be paid for the month of January.

Medicare will end when Social Security disability insurance benefits end.

If the person is receiving Medicaid based on SSI, Medicaid should continue as long as the beneficiary is receiving SSI payments. After SSI stops, the state Medicaid agency should decide if the person qualifies for Medicaid under another provision of the state Medicaid plan. Persons who are no longer receiving SSI should contact the Medicaid agency in the state where they reside for information about Medicaid eligibility.

### Q. What will happen to per-

sons who are in treatment?

A. Up until December 31, 1996, Referral and Monitoring Agencies (RMAs) monitored beneficiaries who were in treatment to insure that they complied with their treatment plans. These agencies ended operations on December 31, 1996. Persons who receive benefits after December 31, 1996, for a disability other than drug addiction or alcoholism are encouraged to remain in treatment though they are no longer required to receive treatment as a condition of receiving benefits.

Because of their padded feet, elephants can walk and run with surprisingly little noise.

## Notice of Public Hearing on Briscoe County Appraisal District Budget

The Briscoe County Appraisal District will hold a public hearing on a proposed budget for the 1998 fiscal year.

The public hearing will be held on July 19, 1997, at 8:00 a.m. at the appraisal district office in the Courthouse.

A summary of the appraisal district budget follows:

The total amount of the proposed budget.....	\$71,460
The total amount of increase over the current year's budget.....	\$ 4,460
The number of employees compensated under the proposed budget (full-time equivalent).....	2
The number of employees compensated under the current budget (full-time equivalent).....	2

The Legislature has mandated expanded education for the Appraisal Review Board causing an increase in expense for education, travel and Appraisal Review Board payroll. There is a newly mandated mass "mailout" which causes extra postage expense. An increase in the cost of postage is also anticipated.

The appraisal district is supported solely by payments from the local taxing units served by the appraisal district.

If approved by the appraisal district board of directors at the public hearing, this proposed budget will take effect automatically unless disapproved by the governing bodies of the county, school districts, cities and towns served by the appraisal district.

A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection in the office of each of those governing bodies. A copy is also available for public inspection at the appraisal district office.

### BRISCOE COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT

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## Independence Day Can Be Fun Holiday Without Traffic Accidents

Independence Day is one of the most celebrated holidays in the United States. Trooper L. B. Snider, Public Information Officer for the Texas Department of Public Safety, states this should be a time to remember and celebrate, but for too many it will be a time of senseless tragedy because of driving errors.

"Motor vehicle accidents have claimed more lives than all our military conflicts combined," Snider says, and continues "military people have sacrificed their lives to gain and preserve safeguards for the freedoms of our nation, which earns them honor."

Snider asks, "Where does one find honor with dying in a traffic accident?"

"Four factors contribute to many of these deadly accidents," says Snider. "The deadly four are: fatigue, alcohol, speed and tem-

pers/attitudes. Fatigue entombs those who try to travel too far without adequate rest. Alcohol and other drugs often cause drivers to believe they have greater driving abilities, when, in fact, they slow the driver's reactions and cripple needed driving skills. Speed can be considered as the urge to drive faster than we can afford to crash.

"Any one of these factors is dangerous," says Snider, "yet when we combine them it magnifies the likelihood of a deadly collision." Trooper Snider reassets, "There is no honor in these deaths and they are needless."

Trooper Snider reminds motorists that all available DPS troopers along with officers from local agencies will be on duty this holiday looking for drivers affected by fatigue, alcohol, speed

and tempers, as well as other dangerous factors. These troopers and officers also will be on the lookout for stranded motorists.

Snider says that even with the increased coverage there are not enough officers to be on each stretch of road; however, motorists with mobile/cellular phones who come upon errant drivers or stranded motorists may call toll free 1-800-525-5555.

When calling this toll free number, motorists are asked to give reasonable location information such as road number/name, approximate distance from a nearby town and what type of assistance is needed. However, if the call is urgent, motorists may opt to dial 911.

Trooper Snider again asks motorists to steer clear of the deadly factors and use their best driving skills to cut down the needless deaths on our roads this Independence Day.

- Use your horn sparingly
- Keep your distance from those who are driving erratically
- Keep your cool

The roads are dangerous enough without provoking drivers who are capable of violent acts.

## T-B/Brucellosis Remain Problems

by Pammy Millican  
Briscoe County  
Extension Agent-Ag

Texas is running out of time to eradicate brucellosis. The federal government has set a 1998 deadline and its questionable whether Texas can comply. The state is also having to deal with an increase in tuberculosis among its cattle herds.

Texas is scrambling to meet the looming deadline to rid the state of brucellosis. Texas is one of only a handful of states that are still battling the bovine disease.

Twenty-five herds are quarantined. That's more than any other state, but then again, Texas has

more cattle than any other state.

Texas A&M veterinarian Dr. Kerry Barling says Texas may have to dispose of infected herds to comply with the 1998 deadline set by federal Animal Health officials.

Tuberculosis also is a growing concern in Texas and other states. There's no vaccine for tuberculosis, so eradication of that disease is farther off.

As for brucellosis, there is a vaccine. In fact there's a new and improved vaccine that is far more accurate than vaccines of the past.

For more information, please contact Briscoe County Agricultural Agent Pammy Millican.

## Class of 1977 To Have Reunion

The Class of 1977 of Silvertown High School would like to invite teachers, friends and former classmates to attend their 20-year reunion at the Ambassador Hotel, 3100 I-40 West in Amarillo, Saturday, July 5, from 2:00 until 5:00 p.m. 26-2tnc

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## Set The Example As a Motorist

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Set the example and be a courteous driver. According to recent news reports, common courtesy on the road has nearly disappeared. One of the biggest safety hazards on our roads today is the growing number of discourteous drivers.

Discourteous drivers commonly tailgate, pass improperly, cut off other motorists, engage in unnecessary horn honking, weave in and out of traffic, flash headlights to get others out of their way, and sometimes display other inappropriate behavior over perceived affronts.

Losing self-control is the issue. Seemingly insignificant incidents such as parking space disputes, fender benders, obscene gestures, loud music, or failure to use a turn signal, can lead to violent behavior.

To become a more courteous driver, experts recommend:

- Use the passing lane only when passing
- Signal before switching lanes
- Allow plenty of space between your car and the car in front of you--do not tailgate
- When driving slowly, stay to the right
- Pull off the road to use your cell phone, otherwise, it may distract you
- Park in only one parking space

To avoid becoming the victim of a discourteous driver:

- Never underestimate the other driver's capacity for mayhem
- Avoid eye contact with trouble making motorists
- Don't challenge hostile drivers or react in any way. Instead, make every effort to get away from them
- Get the license plate number of a discourteous driver and report them to the police
- Don't return gestures

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

BRIEF EXPLANATORY STATEMENT  
OF PROPOSED

## CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

SPECIAL ELECTION  
AUGUST 9, 1997

### PROPOSITION NO. 1 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 4 proposes a constitutional amendment which would increase the school property tax residence homestead exemption from \$5,000 to \$15,000. The amendment would also authorize the Legislature to limit all or part of the exemption to political subdivisions that are the principal providers of elementary and secondary education within their boundaries.

In addition, the amendment would authorize the Legislature to allow the transfer of all or part of the age 65-and-over tax freeze to another homestead. Specifically, the Legislature would be authorized to provide that the current limitation against increasing school property taxes on the residence homesteads of persons age 65 or older, or their surviving spouse who is eligible to receive the exemption, may be transferred if the person establishes a different residence homestead.

The amendment would also allow the \$10,000 additional amount for the standard exemption to be used to lower the tax rate of persons cur-

rently receiving the 65-and-over tax freeze. Specifically, for a homestead affected by this limitation in 1996 or in an earlier tax year, the Legislature must provide for a reduction in the school property tax limitation in the 1997 tax year and subsequent tax years in an amount equal to \$10,000 multiplied by the 1997 school property tax rate.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment providing school property tax relief by increasing the residence homestead exemption by \$10,000 and providing for the transfer of the tax limitation to another qualified homestead for persons over 65 and a reduction in taxes subject to the limitation."

*Este es el informe explicatorio sobre la enmienda propuesta a la constitución que aparecerá en la boleta el día 9 de agosto de 1997. Si usted no ha recibido una copia del informe en español, podrá obtener una gratis por llamar al 1/800/252/8683 a por escribir al Secretario de Estado, P.O. Box 12060, Austin, Texas 78711*

Published by Secretary of State  
Tony Garza

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# THREE LITTLE WORDS

Three little words that we should try to avoid are, "I should have". We always have the tendency to look back and try to imagine what could have been. Although we can profit from and become a better person by reflecting on our past actions or situations, torturing ourselves with "I should have" can cause needless anxiety, guilt, regrets, and even depression. We have to get on with our lives. Yesterday is gone and we only have today and the future. Even though we can learn from the past, we should not let it consume us to the point where it adversely affects us and our loved ones. Developing our trust in God, and making Him part of our daily lives will help us to accept our problems and adversities. The Bible tells us that all things work for good for those who love God, and that He would never leave us or forsake us.

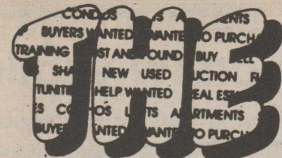


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