

Fall Foliage Fest Health Fair Oct. 18

Calley Payne
County Extension Agent

As you enjoy the autumn weather, be sure to take advantage of the services and information available at the Health Fair during Fall Foliage Fest on October 18. The Health Fair will be held at the First National Bank in Quitaque from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Participants and the services/information they will be providing are:

American Cancer Society--cancer information

American Red Cross--CPR/first aid demonstrations, youth involvement, Red Cross information

Harrington Cancer Center--mammograms, breast self exam instruction, breast cancer awareness and early detection, other cancer information. Please call 800-377-4673 to schedule a mammogram appointment.

Integrated Health Services--blood pressure and blood sugar screening, long term and short term care information

Lions Eye Bank--glaucoma screening

OutReach Health Services/WIC Program--nutrition education and WIC information

Rural Nurse Resource, Inc.--blood pressure and blood sugar screening, health and safety education

Swisher Memorial Hospital Home Health--blood pressure and blood sugar screening, home health information

Texas Agricultural Extension Service--Extension service programs, osteoporosis information

Texas Department of Health--Flu shots and other immunizations, children's immunizations

Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services--child abuse and neglect

Christmas Arts & Crafts Jubilee Set November 22

The Christmas Arts & Crafts Jubilee will be held Saturday, November 22, 1997 from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. at the Briscoe County Showbarn in Silverton.

Booth spaces will be 8x10 feet for \$10.00 each. Tables are limited; they will be available on a first-call, first-served basis.

All kinds of arts and crafts are welcome.

For more information or to reserve a booth, you may call Brenda Patton at (daytime) 806-823-2426 or (after 5:30) 806-823-2446. 42-2tnc

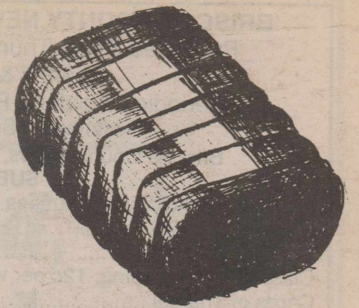
Senior Citizens To Meet Friday

Silverton Senior Citizens will have their monthly luncheon and business meeting Friday at the Center.

Members of the Assembly of God will be hosts for the luncheon.



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Dinner Theater To Highlight Texas Caprock Arts Festival

The eighth annual Texas Caprock Arts Festival will be held at the Briscoe County Showbarn in Silverton October 18-19, 1997. Highlight of the festival will be the second annual dinner theater beginning at 7:00 p.m. on October 18. These events are sponsored by the Silverton Chamber of Commerce.

Patrons will enjoy viewing entries in the art festival as well as the meal catered by Marty's of Amarillo at Saturday night's dinner theater. The menu will include assorted salads, prime rib, roasted pork, new potatoes with dill, Jamaican carrots, green beans, squash casserole and cheesecake with assorted fruit toppings.

The theater will feature the one-act play, "Rise and Shine," directed by Betty Nan Tiffin. Cast members are Amanda Simpson, Billy Edwards, Cathey Weaks and Jess Little.

Tickets for the dinner theater are \$20 and may be purchased from Wayne Nance or any Silverton Chamber of Commerce member.

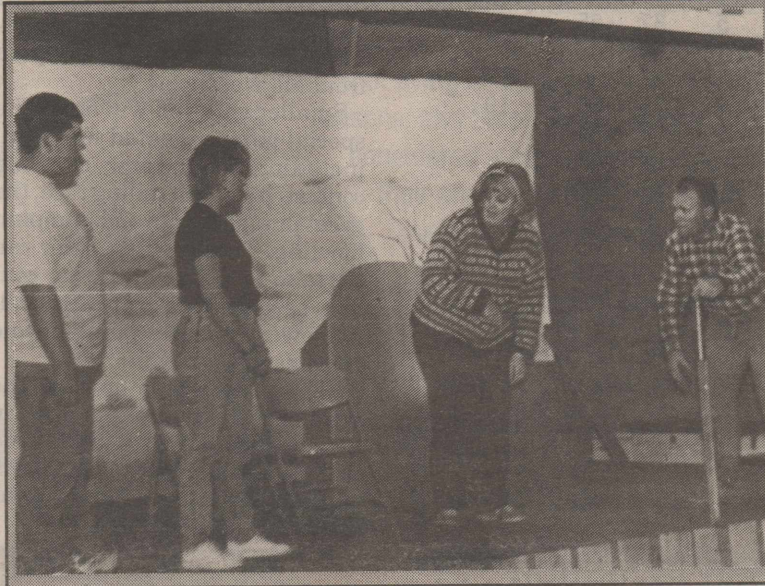
Juror and guest artist for the art show is Candace Keller, an Associate Professor of Art and Curator of Art for the Museum of the Llano Estacado and Abraham Gallery of Wayland Baptist University in Plainview. A Texas artist, her imagery presents uniquely varied and metaphorical statement about her native landscape. Her work has been awarded the Citation of Distinguished Service by the Texas Historical Commission, and she has served two years on the Texas Commission for the Arts.

The art show will be open to the public from 10:00 to 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 18, and from 12:00 until 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 19. Awards will be presented at 4:30 p.m. on Sunday.

Picture Retakes Are Thursday

Picture retakes for the annual will be today (October 16) at the Silverton School.

If you would like to have pictures made of pre-school children you may bring them at this time.



Rehearsals have been underway for "Rise and Shine", the one-act drama that is to be presented in conjunction with the dinner theater which is part of the Texas Caprock Arts Festival sponsored by the Silverton Chamber of Commerce. Members of the cast are (left to right) Billy Edwards, Amanda Simpson, Cathey Weaks and Jess Little. The play is being directed by Betty Nan Tiffin. Tickets for the dinner theater are \$20.00 and may be purchased from Wayne Nance or other members of the Chamber of Commerce.

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3-M To Present Concert Sunday At Baptist Church

The 3-M Group from Motley County, a regular at the Caprock Jamboree, will present a concert at 6:00 p.m. Sunday, October 19, at the First Baptist Church in Silverton.

There will be a fellowship following the concert, and everyone is invited to attend, according to an announcement by the pastor, Rev. Jess Little.

Music Program To Be Presented At Open House

A music program will be held during the open house of Silverton Independent School District on Tuesday, October 21.

Grades K-6 will present various musical selections under the direction of Robin Boedeker in the school auditorium.

Parents and other school patrons are invited to attend.

Fire Department To Meet Tonight

Members of Silverton Volunteer Fire Department will meet at 7:00 p.m. tonight (Thursday) at the City Hall.

Flu Shots To Be Given at Clinics

Flu shots will be given at clinics to be held in Silverton. The first clinic was conducted Tuesday at the City Hall.

The second clinic will be from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Thursday, October 23, at the City Hall in Silverton. There also will be free blood pressure and blood sugar screenings.

Monday, November 10, there will be a clinic at the Silverton School from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Flu shots will be given, immunizations will be given to those who need them, and the series of student Hepatitis B vaccinations will be completed.

If you need flu shots or other immunizations, this will be an opportunity for you to get them. The flu shots are \$7.00 or less, based on your ability to pay. Medicare will pay for those who are on this program.



O. C. Rampley (left) was extended congratulations and best wishes by several of his former students at the conclusion of the dedication of the field house and PE gym last Friday night. Among them were Tom Burson (center), John Schott (right), Dewey Estes (back center). His wife, Faye, is seated behind Mr. Rampley.

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Fall Carnival To Be Held Oct. 25

The annual Fall Carnival will be sponsored by Little League Baseball this year, and will be held beginning at 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 25 at the Showbarn in Silverton. Any organization or individual is welcome to have a booth at the carnival. For booth information, contact Melissa Estes, 823-2221, or Colleen Reed, 823-2516.

Talent Show To Be Presented

A talent show will be presented in the Silverton School auditorium at 9:45 a.m. Thursday, November 6. Any student is welcome to participate in the program which is being held during Quiet Zone. Parents and others are invited to attend.

WEATHER

OCTOBER 24-HOUR READINGS

DAY	HIGH	LOW	PRECIP.
1	93	53	
2	92	58	
3	88	56	
4	89	55	.29
5	87	55	
6	84	58	
7	76	57	.09
8	76	60	.19
9	76	54	
10	73	51	
11	75	63	.07
12	70	51	.17
13	69	36	
14	64	35	
Total Oct. Precip.			.81
Normal Oct. Precip.			1.75
Total Precip. Rec'd.			
Year to Date			28.00
Normal Precip. For Year to Date			19.82

Punkin Days Festival To Be Held In Floydada October 25

Punkin Days will kick off on Saturday, October 25, with a 5K race and fun run beginning at 8:30 a.m. Arts and crafts booths will be open for business beginning at 9:00 a.m. on the manicured lawn of the courthouse. The booths will feature homemade items from all over the United States. It will be a great time to do a little early Christmas shopping. Local merchants will feature great buys at downtown stores, as well.

Judging will begin at the pavilion at 9:30 a.m., on entries of the smallest pumpkin, the largest pumpkin, ugliest gourd, prettiest corn, best painted pumpkin, best carved pumpkin and best pumpkin pie. Entries will be accepted from all over Texas.

Smaller children will enjoy the special games created for them, including: a pumpkin drawing contest, pumpkin rolling race, the great pumpkin toss and pumpkin bowling. Those a little older can partake in a timed carving contest, seed spitting contest, wheelbarrow race and a pumpkin pie relay race.

The person who guesses the weight of the pumpkins piled in a trailer will win \$25.00, and prizes of \$200, \$300 and \$500 will be awarded to the winners of the Cow Patty Bingo. It is an all-day event that can

be enjoyed by everyone in the family. If you are too tired to travel home at the end of the day, you can recuperate at the famous historical Lamplighter Bed & Breakfast.

After a short rest, children can enjoy a costume contest at the Floydada High School and then a safe "Trunk of Treating" around the walking path at the high school. This newer version of Trick or Treating was created by the Punkin Day Committee in order to give children a more protected environment in which to walk and also to give parents peace of mind about candy being distributed to their children.

Trunk of Treating will begin at 6:00 p.m. at the high school park. Cars belonging to volunteers (screened by the committee) will be parked along the park with the trunk lids popped open. As the ghosts and goblins pass the vehicles they will be treated to the candy stored inside the trunks.

For more information on Punkin Days, call the Punkin Day Chairman, Angie Lipham, 983-3434. Those who want to get

an early start on the arts and crafts, or on the races, come out and spend Friday night in Floydada.

Tax Practitioner Workshops Set

by Pammy L. Millican
 County Extension Agent

Tax laws have changed and the people who fill out the tax forms have some serious studying to do. Once again, they can find help from the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. There will be 71 tax practitioner workshops this year from late October into December all over the state.

Extension economist Dr. Wayne Hayenga said there are the new tax credits to consider. The tax workshops also cover estate planning, agricultural tax issues and how to resolve problems with the IRS. You must register at least a week before each workshop. Contact Dr. Hayenga to register at 409-845-2226.

The largest fish is the whale shark, which at 15 short tons weighs twice as much as an African elephant.

An Invitation . . .

The children and grandchildren invite you to come join in celebrating the 80th birthday of Horace McDonald on Saturday, October 18, 1997 from 1:30 until 3:00 p.m. in the First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall in Quitaque.

Holiday Arts & Crafts Bazaar Planned at Naz

You are invited to take part in the annual "Holiday Arts & Crafts Bazaar" sponsored by the Nazareth Art Club Sunday, November 23, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Nazareth School Cafeteria.

Booths are 8'x10' and the cost is \$20.00. The club will provide one table and two chairs for each booth. Please state if you need the table and also if you prefer a wall or center booth. Send information as to what will be displayed in your booth.

Make checks payable to the Nazareth Art Club. Booths will be assigned on a first-come, first served basis.

Last day to make reservations for a booth will be Saturday, November 15. Cafeteria will be open at 7:30 a.m. on Sunday, November 23, for you to set up.

For more information, contact Lucille Drerup, Box 3, Nazareth, Texas 79063, 806-945-2562, or Rose Mary Wilhelm, HCR 2, Box 13, Nazareth, Texas 79063, 806-945-2583.

Make plans to enjoy the Turkey Dinner that will be served at noon in the Nazareth Community Hall sponsored by the Christian Mother Society. Bring your family, tell your friends and neighbors, to meet you in Nazareth on November 23 for a good meal and hours of leisurely holiday shopping.



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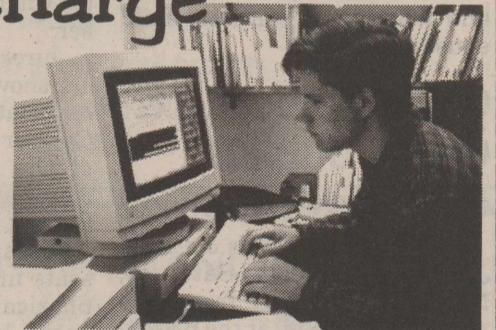
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LOOKING BACK

through the files of the
Briscoe County News

October 15, 1987-Candidates for Football Queen are Carrie Ann Grabbe, Tracy Tomlin, DeLyn Patton and Stacie Chappell . . . First bale of cotton of the 1987 season has been ginned by Paymaster at Quitaque for Larry Curry who delivered the load of Lankart cotton which produced a 512-pound bale with a 24% turnout . . . Services conducted for Hassie Arnold, 87 . . . Dave Russell Francis is named Outstanding Young Man of America . . . Clay Schott caught a pass from Ryan Smith for a PAT as the Owls decided Whitharral 28-8 . . . Ryan Smith is *Amarillo Daily News* Player of the Week . . . Junior High takes big 32-0 win over Lefors . . . Owls continue to lead football defensive stats . . . Grand opening of Hutsell Jewelry is Saturday . . . Application has been made to re-enter the Paul E. Cameron, jr., Inc., No. 1-6 Madge Brooks wildcat located eight miles east of Silverton. This action follows hasty land leasing that has been accomplished east of Silverton along the caprock and into the Flomot area in the last few weeks. Speculation locally has been that a discovery announcement is forthcoming regarding the Mullin well in the Turkey area which has been a very tight hole and about which no information whatever has been available . . .

October 20, 1977-James Alan Patton and Susan Payne were named recipients of the 4-H Gold Star Awards, highest awards conferred on the county level, at the Awards Banquet held Saturday night . . . Weather modification company applies for new permit . . . Senator Tower to visit Silverton . . . O. C. (Cotton) Burton, 53, of Levelland suffered a seizure and died about 2:00 a.m. Tuesday atop the oil drilling rig located south of Highway 86 three miles east of Silverton . . . The engagement of Miss Donna Louise Hodges to Garry David Francis has been announced . . . Last weekend Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Smith and Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Sweek drove to Clayton, Red River and Taos, New Mexico. They report the foliage was very beautiful . . . Lt. Col. James E. May, jr. assumed command of the Marine Air Reserve Training Detachment September 23 in Memphis, Tennessee . . .

October 12, 1967-Five from here, Buddy Comer, Stanley Fogerson, Garner Garrison, Jerry Wayne Martin and Leland Wood, are students at Tarleton State College in Stephenville . . . Lannie Arnold named Player of the Week by Silverton coaching staff . . . The Rock Creek Club met in the home of Margaret Frizzell and a beauty doll quilt or bedspread was quilted for her granddaughter, Michelle Frizzell. At-

tending were Annie Breedlove, Stella Davis, Marie Garrison, Nena Loudermilk, Anne McJimsey, Betty McPherson, Ruby McWaters, Ruby Garvin, Merle O'Neal, Margie Turner, Eula Shelton, Ruth West, Verna Allison, Margaret Frizzell, Mrs. L. W. Francis, Allena May, Carolyn Reagan, Zane and Shane, and Bobby McPherson . . . Airman First Class and Mrs. Kenneth Peugh are spending a leave here and in Amarillo with relatives before Kenneth leaves to be stationed at a radar installation in Alaska . . . Miss Margaret Sue Satterfield and Jerry Wayne Wright were married recently at the First Methodist Church in Panhandle . . . The descendants of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Steele, who came to the Silverton area in 1917, gathered at the Shelter House in the park at Plainview Sunday for their annual reunion . . . Mrs. L. C. Yates is at the home of her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Stephens and Judy, while recuperating with a broken hip . . . Harvey Masey was presented as the Pep Squad Beau last week . . .

October 24, 1957-Last rites were held Wednesday for the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Long. The child was named Floyd Bruce Long . . . First six weeks honor roll includes Carson Grabbe, Leah Dare Kellum, Melba Loyd, Zobie Self, seniors; Susan Anderson, Diane Fogerson, juniors; James Clemmer, Marsha Monroe, Toni Rhode, sophomores; Dale Francis, freshman . . . Rains Sunday afternoon and night measured .46 according to Ray C. Bomar . . . Mr. and Mrs. Jim Whitfield were in Lubbock on Tuesday of last week. Work has started there on their new house which is to be moved to the location on South Main Street where their former home was destroyed by the recent tornado . . . Mrs. T. L. Anderson and Miss Anna Lee Anderson moved to their new two bedroom home on North Main Street on Saturday. Their former home on Commerce Street was badly damaged in the recent tornado . . . Rev. and Mrs. Porter Arnold spent Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Arnold . . . A colorful linen and kitchen shower honoring Mr. and Mrs. Tom Brooks was recently given in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Allard. Co-hostesses were Mesdames Clay Fowler, Walter Brannon and Pete Chitty . . . Mr. and Mrs. Larry Tunnell were Sunday dinner guests of her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Harris . . . Mr. and Mrs. Norvell Breedlove are the parents of a son, Chris Wayne . . . Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mack Walker and family spent Friday night in Lubbock as guests of her sister and fam-

ily, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Marcus and children . . . SH3 Clifford O. Youngquist left last Friday for Long Beach, California to report back aboard his ship, the USS Mahoning County. He has been here on leave to be with his wife at the birth of their daughter, Larita Kay . . . Mrs. J. T. Neese visited last week in Wellington with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. William Brown . . . Mrs. J. D. McGavock entertained the Helping Hand Club Thursday . . . The March of Time Study Club met in the clubroom October 17 with Mrs. Rex Dickerson as hostess . . .

October 16, 1947-Weather Man still trying to leave rain . . . Mr. and Mrs. Vinson Smith are parents of a son, Monty Joe . . . Mr. and Mrs. Ben Bingham are parents of a daughter, Judy Ann . . . John Montague is in the general hospital in Lubbock . . . Mrs. W. A. Stephens and Donna and Grandmother Vaughan visited Monday in the Ed Vaughan home . . . Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Redin and Pat entertained with a buffet luncheon Sunday honoring their nephew, Capt. Harmon Joiner, who is stationed on Guam and is home on a 60-day furlough . . . Guests in the home of M. B. Self Sunday were Misses Delma Dean and Deal Self of Plainview; Norman Loftis of Littlefield; Mr. and Mrs. Willard Thomas of Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hatfield

Happy Birthday- Happy Anniversary-

October 16--Matt Strange, Jeff Rampley, Virginia Parker, Bobby Joe Edwards

October 17--Mary Lane Younger, Jan Williams, Dusty Burson, Robin Sternberger, Dean Ziegler, Ryan Nathaniel Robertson

October 18--Tom Bridges, Derrel Martin, Vici Baird, Cindy Allen

October 19--Brenda Parker, Bill Strange, Misti Weaks, Zelma Mayfield, Bill George

October 20--Jared Rauch, Amy Maciel, Lisa Comer, Bessie Bradford, Randy Farley, John T. Francis, Angie Smith, Wayne Mayfield, Peter Trevino, Nelda Jasper Angie Martin

October 21--Braden Estes, Ramona Martin, Paula Wood, Angela Marie Cabrera

October 22--Jeff Smith

October 17--Mr. and Mrs. Joe Covington, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Don Barbo

October 18--Mr. and Mrs. Bronc Otis

October 19--Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Cartrite

Strawn, Blackwell Join Six-Man Poll

Strawn and Blackwell moved into *The Lubbock Avalanche-Journal's* weekly high school six-man football poll after impressive victories the weekend of October 3-4.

Gordon still maintained the top spot after defeating the Jackson, Mississippi School for the Deaf which was played as an eight-man game as well as a six-man game.

Panther Creek, Trinidad, Borden County and Grandfalls Royalty round out the top five.

1. Gordon
2. Panther Creek
3. Trinidad
4. Borden County
5. Grandfalls Royalty
6. Follett
7. Lazbuddie
8. Strawn
9. Jonesboro
10. Blackwell

Also receiving votes were Jayton, Silverton, Whitharral.

Don't Forget: Friday is WEAR RED Day

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4-H Food & Nutrition Program Is Aimed at Better Health

Calley Payne
Briscoe County Extension Agent

While proving that "you are what you eat" may be difficult, 4-H members in the food and nutrition program can certainly gain a better understanding of nutritious foods that can contribute to healthful living.

Food and nutrition is one of the most popular projects, boasting the largest enrollment, among 4-H members.

Specific objectives of the 4-H food and nutrition project are:

- Learn the importance of incorporating the Food Guide Pyramid into the daily diet.
- Understand the principles of nutrition as they relate to health, physical fitness and appearance.
- Learn about the wide variety of foods which may be included in the diet.
- Understand the scientific principles of nutrition.
- Acquire and demonstrate skills in planning, purchasing, prepping and serving tasty, attractive and nutritious meals and snacks.

The food and nutrition programs give 4-Hers an opportunity to gain lifelong learning experiences regarding a nutritious diet. Additional information about the 4-H food and nutrition program is available at the County Extension Office.

Briscoe County 4-H Food and Nutrition Project Meetings are as follows:

SILVERTON--October 21,

3:10 p.m., Silverton School Homemaking Room

*November 4, 3:10 p.m., Silverton School Homemaking Room

*Following junior 4-H Club meetings.

VALLEY--October 22, 3:40 p.m., Valley School Home Ec Room

*November 5, 3:40 p.m., Valley School Home Ec Room

Fat Controversy

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County Extension Agent

How do you know what to eat today, especially when it comes to fat? The recommendation is that we get no more than 30 percent of our calories from fat. But what kind of fat?

Extension nutrition specialist Dr. Mickey Bielamowicz explains that mono- and polyunsaturated fats are mostly found in plants and seafood. They are best because they can lower cholesterol. Polyunsaturated fats are found in soy, cotton seed, corn safflower and canola oil.

She says it's the saturated fats you need to watch out for. Saturated fats and trans fatty acids are primarily found in foods of animal origin such as meats.

But Bielamowicz says don't stop eating meat. She says true vegetarians and people who go on no-fat diets are missing out on essential vitamins such as A, D, E and K.

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16th CRP Sign-Up To Be Held Here October 14 to November 14

Sign-up for the 16th Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) begins October 14, 1997, and ends on November 14, 1997. According to Matthew W. Kast, district conservationist with the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) in Silverton, CRP provides an excellent opportunity for a landowner to improve his or her land, water and wildlife resources. "CRP is a voluntary program," Kast explained. "It places environmentally-sensitive land in a 10- to 15-year contract and offers landowners free technical assistance to improve their natural resource base, rental payments for the length of the contract, and will help pay for up to 50 percent of the cost of installing approved environmental improvements."

When asked about eligibility requirements, Kast said, "The land must have been owned or operated for at least 12 months prior to close of the sign-up period unless (1) the new owner acquired the land as a result of the previous owner's death, (2) a foreclosure caused the change of ownership, or (3) the circumstances of the acquisition assure the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) that the new owner did not acquire the land for the purpose of placing it in CRP. If a tenant applies for CRP, the tenant must be a participant with an eligible owner or operator."

In addition, cropland is eligible if it has been planted or considered planted to an agricultural commodity two of the five most recent crop years. It must also be physically and legally capable of being planted to an agricultural commodity. Existing CRP contracts may not be extended; however, the acreage may be re-offered if it is otherwise eligible for enrollment.

"Eligible cropland must also meet one of the following criteria to be offered for enrollment in the 16th CRP," Kast remarked. "Cropland must (1) be considered highly erodible land according to the conservation compliance provisions, with portions of field having a weighted average Erosion Index of eight or higher; (2) be considered a cropped wetland; (3) be subject to scour erosion; (4) be located in a national or state CRP conservation priority area; or (5) be cropland associated with non-cropped wetlands."

This CRP sign-up is different from those in the past. Rather than just reducing soil erosion, the focus is now on improving all elements of the environment with the least cost to the taxpayer. An Environmental Benefits Index (EBI), compiled by NRCS, awards points to a CRP application for every benefit to the environment on the land being offered. The points are then totaled and offers for CRP contracts are ranked in comparison to all other offers. Contract offers with the most environmental benefit points then proceed to the

next phase, which ranks CRP offers according to the least cost to the taxpayer. This process makes applications for the 16th CRP much more competitive with each other than they have been in the past.

Kast went on to explain that the EBI factors include: (1) wildlife habitat benefits which awards extra points for planting vegetative covers most beneficial to wildlife on contract acreage; (2) water quality benefits resulting from reduced erosion, runoff and leaching; (3) on-farm benefits of reduced erosion; (4) enduring benefits to the environment which recognizes that certain practices, such as tree planting, provide environmental benefits far beyond the contract period; (5) air quality benefits as a result of reduced wind erosion; (6) benefits of enrolling in a conservation priority area where enrollment would contribute to the improvement of identified and adverse natural resource issues such as water quality, wildlife habitat, or air quality; and (7) cost.

Kast added that land rejected under previous CRP sign-ups may enroll in the 16th CRP sign-up as long as it meets the basic eligibility criteria. A person can increase his or her chances of acceptance into CRP by enhancing the environmental benefits of the offer and by submitting less than the maximum rate for rental payment.

For more information about the 16th CRP sign-up or how to maximize points for environmental benefits, contact your local NRCS office, Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) office, or Farm Service Agency (FSA) office.

Win Owls!

Roll - Over, Seat Belt Safety Demonstrations

Calley Payne
County Extension Agent

Don't miss the Roll-Over Convincer/Seat Belt Safety Demonstrations during Fall Foliage Fest in Quitaque on October 18.

The Roll-Over Convincer is a pickup cab that turns as a car would in a roll-over crash. Life-size dummies demonstrate the importance of wearing your seat belt in case of a vehicle roll-over.

Briscoe County Sheriff Max Whitworth and Deputy Raul Gomez will be featured speakers during the demonstrations.

There will be demonstrations at 10:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. on the First National Bank parking lot.

Lots of prizes and information will be available for the audience, so don't miss it! This program is being sponsored by the Briscoe County Office of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.



Ruan Reast, R. N.



Anna Miralez, L. V. N.

St. Mary Mobile Health Clinic is Coming to Silverton in November

A new mobile health clinic will be making weekly stops in Silverton beginning in early November.

The newest outreach effort of the Mobile Services Department of St. Mary Hospital, the unique 36-foot unit will offer primary-care medical services to the residents of the Silverton area every Wednesday from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Loreto Catholic Church, Second and Pulitzer.

The totally self-contained unit includes an exam room, laboratory and testing equipment and

will offer all types of preventive services and primary care. It is equipped with a wheelchair lift for handicap-accessibility.

The unit will offer treatment for both acute and chronic illnesses, such as diabetes, hypertension, sore throat, cough and bronchitis. Other services to be offered include annual exams for women and pap tests, sick children visits and well-baby checks, immunizations and hearing, vision and pulmonary (lung) function testing.

"The focus of this unit will be

to provide primary care in the rural areas of West Texas where access to routine medical care is limited," said Juanema Christensen, mobile services coordinator at St. Mary Hospital.

Services will be provided for all age groups, and all patients will be accepted on a sliding-scale fee structure, based on ability to pay.

The unit will be staffed by Ruan Reast, R. N., C. S., M. S. N., F. N. P., and Anna Miralez, L. V. N., who is bilingual.

Ms. Reast, a family nurse practitioner, previously served as the solo practitioner for St. Mary Hospital's rural health clinic in Amherst for four years. She also is a certified emergency nurse, having worked in the emergency departments at both St. Mary and Methodist hospitals.

She is a graduate of the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, having earned the bachelor of science in nursing degree (BSN) with high honors in 1984 and the master of science in nursing (MSN) in 1993.

With the mobile health unit, Ms. Reast will work under the supervision of the project's medical director, Susan Davis, M. D., a Lubbock internist. She will maintain daily contact with Dr. Davis by telephone and fax.

Although the unit will not be in service until early November, appointments are now being accepted by calling St. Mary at 1-800-388-6266. Walk-ins accepted.

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Owls Destroy Cotton Center Hopes Before Large Crowd of Home Fans

Silverton's Bad Birds destroyed the hopes of the Cotton Center Elks Friday night before a large crowd of home fans who were on hand for the dedication of the new field house and physical education gymnasium in honor of long-time educator O. C. Rampley. The dedication took place at halftime of the game, and in his response Rampley mentioned that five of the seven members of the board of trustees of Silverton ISD are his former students.

Jared Holt had opened the game for the Owls by kicking into and out of the endzone to give the Elks a touchback. Jared Francis executed the quarterback sack on first play, bringing about a nine-yard loss, and stopped the pass completion on the next play which returned the ball to the original line of scrimmage. Cotton Center fumbled and Leland Wood alertly grabbed it for the Owls.

Jack Cherry opened the action by hitting Jeremy Holt with a pass which carried to the Cotton Center 21, then hitting Adrian Ramirez with another aerial that moved the ball to a first-and-goal on the five. Jeremy Holt carried the touchdown with 7:16 remaining to be played in the first quarter, then passed to Wood for the PAT to make the score 7-0.

Once again Jared Holt kicked the ball out of the field of play and the Elks started on their 20. After a shaky penalty-filled series, the Elks saw Trey Wyatt grab off one of their passes on the Silverton 32.

The Owls had to overcome penalties to succeed on this series, and when Cherry handed off to Trey Ziegler he went 63 yards for another Owl score. There was no PAT, and the Owls held a 13-0 lead.

Once again Jared Holt gave the



Jay Hicks (72) and David Gamble (5) are shown blocking for Donny Burson as he picks up yardage for the Owls as they defeated Cotton Center 55-8 here Friday night. All of the players saw action in this game.

Briscoe County News Photo

Elks a touchback, but it was three plays and out for the visitors. They punted to the Silverton 39 on fourth down.

Cherry hit Jeremy Holt with a short pass, after which Ziegler took off on another touchdown jaunt, this play covering 34 yards. Jeremy Holt drop-kicked the PAT to put the Owls ahead 21-0.

Jared Holt kicked the Elks another touchback, and as the second quarter began the Cotton Center boys punted out of bounds at about their 30.

Cherry hit Ramirez with another pass to move the ball for a first down on the Cotton Center 15, then passed to Jeremy Holt for another touchdown. Jeremy drop-kicked the PAT, and with 8:30 remaining in the first half, the Owls led 29-0.

Jared Holt handed the Elks another touchback, but the visitors were unable to move the ball

and it went back to the Owls on the 30.

With the Junior Varsity team in the game, Nathan Francis hit Issac Garcia with a pass, but was unable to string two back-to-back. The ball went over to the Elks on the Cotton Center 20.

On their first play, the Elks fumbled and Wood recovered it for the Owls on the 18. Donny Burson carried to the one, but the Elks intercepted a pass and took it all the way from endzone to endzone for the only score of the game for the Elks. They kicked the PAT, and momentarily narrowed the lead to 29-8 with 3:47 still to be played in the first half.

When Cotton Center kicked off, Wyatt took the onside to the Elk 35. The Owl offense was unable to move the ball, and the Elks got it back with 1:37 remaining before halftime. They ran three plays and punted to the Silverton 21 before time expired on the clock.

The Elks came back with another onside kick, which Wyatt controlled for the Owls. Cherry passed to Ramirez who pitched to Jeremy Holt who went all the way for another Owl touchdown. There was no PAT, and the Owls led 35-8.

When Jared Holt kicked off, Wood took the live ball all the way for another touchdown. Jeremy Holt drop-kicked the PAT, and with 9:19 still remaining in the third quarter, the Owls led 43-8.

Jared Holt kicked another touchback for the Elks, and the defense held once again. The Owls got the ball back on the Cotton Center 36, and Cherry passed to Ziegler on the first play, this going all the way for another touchdown. There was no PAT, and with 5:43 remaining in the period, the Owls led 49-8.

Jared Holt kicked off and the Elks returned it to their 15. They ran four plays and saw the ball go over to the Owls on downs on their 29. David Gamble ran for a

gain of four yards after which Burson carried a first down on the 12. Nathan Francis passed to Garcia to move the ball to the five, and Burson scored the touchdown which ended the game on the 45-point rule with 2:31 remaining in the third quarter. The final score was 55-8.

The Owls and Cotton Center played in the first game of the season, and Silverton brought home a 44-24 victory.

"We've improved unbelievably since the first game of the season," Owl quarterback Cherry said. "Our defense has been really tough and our offense is getting better every game."

Silverton's new head football coach, Larry Mantle, doesn't feel anyone should be surprised at the success of the Owls this season.

"We're a pretty good football team," Mantle said. "Just look at the size and speed that we have. Most teams in six-man have some speed or quickness and we have both to combine with size. It's a very nice combination."

Silverton goes on the road this week to meet perennial powerhouse Lazbuddie. The only loss for the Longhorns this year came at the hands of Samnorwood (44-20), but Lazbuddie (5-1) bounced back last week to knock off Three Way 58-21.

It will be a really big game at Lazbuddie Friday night, and the Owls need a large contingent of fans to make the trip with them to cheer them on to victory.

Against Cotton Center, Ziegler rushed the ball three times for a total gain of 102 yards; Jeremy Holt, four for 59; Burson, 2 for 32; Gamble, four for 11.

Cherry hit five of eight passes for a gain of 85 yards; Nathan Francis hit two of eleven for 16 yards and one interception.

Ziegler caught a pass for 36 yards; Ramirez, two for 27; Garcia, two for 16; Jared Holt, one for 15; Jeremy Holt, one for seven.

Wood recovered two fumbles and Wyatt intercepted an aerial

for the Owls.

The game at Lazbuddie could be for the district championship. Don't miss it!

Wood is Leader In High School Rodeo Activities

Leland Wood has been a leader in the Tri-State High School Rodeo activities this year. He received All-Around Cowboy honors once again last Saturday at Borger.

Wood, who is a member of the Childress club, won the saddle bronc riding with 73 points. The second-place winner received 64 points.

Wood also placed second in the ribbon roping with a time of 6.150 and partnered with Andy Jones to win second in team roping with 7.060. The ribbon roping was won with a time of 6.100 and the team roping was won in 6.860.

This weekend's high school rodeo action takes place Saturday and Sunday in Canadian.

Silverton School Lunch Menu

Monday, Oct. 20--Beef & Vegetable Soup, Toasted Cheese Sandwich, Crackers, Fruit, Milk

Tuesday, Oct. 21--Spaghetti & Meat Sauce, Salad, Corn, Bread, Fruit, Milk

Wednesday, Oct. 22--Assorted Sandwiches, Salad, Tater Tots, Brownie, Milk

Thursday, Oct. 23--Chicken Strips, Gravy, Green Beans, Mashed Potatoes, Hot Roll, Honey, Butter, Milk

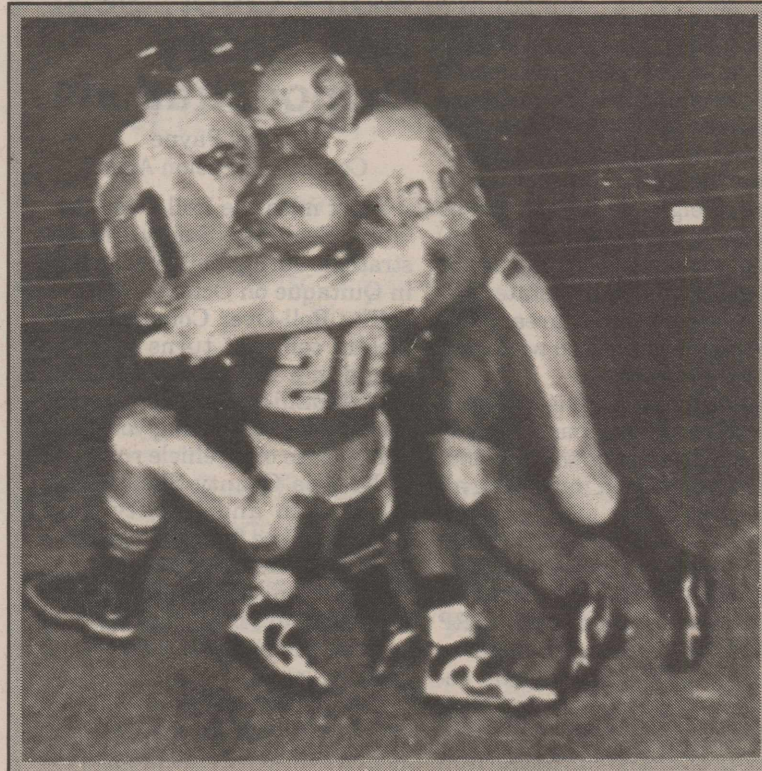
Friday, Oct. 24--Hamburger & Cheese, Salad, French Fries, Fruit, Cookie, Milk

Win Owls!



Jeremy Holt was leading the South Plains scoring and was in second place in receiving and third in rushing before last Friday night's game which the Owls won 55-8 over Cotton Center.

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Chris Justice (20) and Will Hester (30) work together to put the stop on one of the Cotton Center Elks here last Friday night.

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WISHING THE BEST TO THE SILVERTON OWLS!



The Silvertown Owls--(back row, left to right) Coach Larry Mantle, Jay Hicks, Jared Holt, Jack Cherry, Jay Arnold, Nathan Francis, Will Hester, Max Whitworth, Coach Donnie Dutton; (third row) Jeremy Holt, Chris Justice, Charlie Bomar, Jared Francis, Trey Ziegler, Trey Wyatt, Andy Bullock, Kiefer Dutton; (kneeling) Leland Wood, Gary Whitworth, Clint Ivory, David Gamble, Donny Burson, Adrian Ramirez, Vince Cruz; (sitting) Ryan Minyard, Paul Segura, Tyler Young, Bert Garza. Nicholas Vargas and Jimmy Castillo, managers. Plainview Daily Herald Photo

Silvertown Owls vs.

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Junior High Owls Earn 33-12 Victory Over Cotton Center

Jimmy Castillo kicked off for the Junior High Owls to open their game last Thursday afternoon, and Andrew Francis stopped the return on the Cotton Center 8. The Owl defense, led by Matt Strange, Junior Gonzalez, Francis and others completely stymied the offense and partially blocked the punt on fourth down. Francis controlled the ball on the Cotton Center 11, then scored on the next play with 4:08 still remaining on the first-quarter clock. Monty Wood passed to Strange for the PAT, and the Owls had themselves an early 7-0 lead.

The Owls kicked off once again, and Nicholas Vargas brought down the return on the Cotton Center 10. Francis and Castillo held the Elks in check, and forced a fourth-down punt.

Wood handed off to Castillo on the first play and he went all the way for another Owl touchdown with 2:20 still remaining in the first frame. There was no PAT, and the Owls held a 13-0 advan-

tage.

Castillo kicked off again and brought down the return at the Cotton Center 30. Francis and Gonzalez were leading the defense on this series, and on third down the Owls recovered an Elk fumble.

The Owls were unable to hit their passes on this series. Francis ran for a first down on the Cotton Center nine with 40 seconds remaining in the quarter, but the Owls fumbled and Cotton Center recovered on the next play.

Francis, Castillo, McMurtrey and Vargas led the defense on this series and Gonzalez executed a quarterback sack on fourth down.

Francis ran for a first down and the Elks received a penalty which moved the ball to the Cotton Center 20. Red Ivory passed complete to Francis, then Francis ran for a first down on the 10. Castillo scored with 3:07 remaining before halftime. Francis carried the PAT to give the Owls a 20-0 lead.



Andrew Francis was one of the leading rushers and scorers for the Junior High Owls before receiving an injury to an arm in the game at Cotton Center last Thursday afternoon.

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Cotton Center scored on this next series, passed incomplete on the PAT try, and narrowed the score to 20-6.

The Elks kicked off and Castillo took the ball to midfield. After an Owl penalty, Castillo carried for first down. Francis carried the touchdown with 1:32 remaining before the midway stop. Ivory passed to Strange for the PAT, to give the Owls a 27-6 lead.

The Owls kicked off and Cotton Center made a first down with 53 seconds remaining on the clock. On fourth down, the defense stopped the Elks with four seconds remaining.

Ivory passed complete to Francis before the first half ended.

Cotton Center kicked off to open the second half, and Castillo returned it to the 20, but the Owls lost the ball on a fumble two plays later. The Elks scored on their next series, but Strange knocked down their PAT attempt to keep the score at 27-12.

Cotton Center kicked off and Vargas controlled the short kick. Ivory passed complete to Castillo and Francis ran for a first down with 1:27 remaining in the third quarter. Castillo carried another touchdown, there was no PAT, and the Owls moved into a 33-12 lead which held up until the end of the game.

The fourth quarter was mostly defensive for the Owls, led by Kevin Duncan, Castillo, Francis and John Arnold.

On the last offensive effort for the Owls, Castillo ran for nine yards and Francis added a first down. Dustin Hale carried the ball a couple of times and Ivory hit Strange with another pass.

Francis received an injury to one of his arms in the game, which is a big blow to the Junior High team since Francis and Castillo do much of the rushing for the team.

Both the Junior High and Junior Varsity teams will be hosting the teams from Lazbuddie today at 5:00 and 6:30 p.m. In the first meeting of these teams, the Owls were the winners.

Silverton School Activities

Thursday, Oct. 16--Lazbuddie JH & JV, here, 5:00 & 6:30; Herff-Jones to pick up ring packets

Friday, Oct. 17--Owls at Lazbuddie, 7:30

Saturday, Oct. 18--Cross Country Meet at Lake Meredith

Tuesday, Oct. 21--PTA Open House; Music Program

Thursday, Oct. 23--JH & JV Owls at Whitharral, 5:00 & 6:30

Owls Receive Mention When Honors Bestowed

Several Owls received honorable mention when the *Amarillo Daily News* sportswriters named Ike Haynes of McLean as their Six-Man Football Player of the Week.

Jack Cherry threw for 124 yards and three touchdowns in the 55-8 win over Cotton Center that ended in the third quarter under the 45-point rule.

Cherry continued to hold second place last week in stats compiled by the *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal* sportswriters in the passing category, having completed 61 of 106 passes and having had two intercepted. This is a success rate of 60%. Cherry had passed for 954 yards and 17 touchdowns before last Friday night's game.

Trey Ziegler rushed for 102 yards on three carries and scored three times on a 39-yard pass reception and rushes of 63 and 34 yards.

In stats compiled by the *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal* before last Friday night's game, Ziegler had caught nine passes for a gain of 168 yards, an average of 18.7 yards, and had scored four touchdowns after pass receptions. He had scored a total of eight TDs. Ziegler had rushed the ball 50 times for a gain of 335 yards, which is 6.7 yards per carry, and four rushing touchdowns.

Jeremy Holt caught two touch-

down passes and rushed for a third touchdown. He contributed seven extra points by passes and drop-kicks and rushed for 59 yards on four tries.

Jeremy was leading the scoring stats in the *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal* before Friday night's game. He had scored a total of 137 points. He was in second place in pass receptions, having caught 18 for 423 yards, an average of 23.5 yards per reception, and had scored on passes five times. He was third in rushing, having carried the ball 66 times for a gain of 500 yards, an average of 7.6 yards per carry, and 12 rushing touchdowns.

'Critical Thinking' In 4-H Animal Project

Pammy Millican
County Extension Agent

4-H projects offer youths opportunities for "critical thinking."

Through planning and carrying out a project, youths learn to apply critical thinking skills to real-life problems. For example, in a project involving raising any animal, a youngster must do the following:

1. Compare and contrast animals as the basis for deciding which to keep or cull, to breed or buy. Basic training of this nature is done in livestock judging.

2. Identify characteristics of individual animals that qualify or disqualify as certain breeds or species.

3. Learn nutritional ration ingredients needed for health and growth and identify animal parts and their functions.

4. Use previous experience and subject matter learned to recognize health problems and courses of action needed.

5. Identify errors through recognizing and correcting mistakes.

6. Identify the main idea and generalize from the particular animal project to the entire food ecosystem as the youth determines the profit or loss at the market price.

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A WEEKLY SUMMARY OF COTTON MARKETING NEWS

USDA surprised market observers by leaving U. S. 1997-98 cotton production almost unchanged and lowering U. S. export figures in its October U. S. production forecast and supply/demand report.

USDA pegged 1997-98 U. S. production at 18.41 million bales, down just 8,000 bales from the September estimate of 18.42 million bales and three percent lower than the final 1996 number. Average yield was estimated at 658 pounds per acre, unchanged from September's report but considerably lower than the 1996 yield of 707. According to USDA, barring any monumental disaster, the 1997 U. S. crop could be the fourth largest on record.

USDA's new figures startled most analysts who had projected production at an average of 18.23 million bales and yields at an average of 655 pounds per acre. Texas and Georgia were the wild cards in the report this month as large changes were expected in both states. However, the report showed Texas, for which most observers had predicted higher production, was unchanged at 5.4 million bales, while Georgia was down slightly at 2.1 million.

Some observers feel Georgia's crop will be pared even more in USDA's next report due to conditions in the state's southwestern region. Weather there has affected cotton this past month with rains not only discoloring fiber, but causing some yield losses in a few counties.

Observers also believe Texas' production number will be adjusted upward in USDA's next report as nearly perfect weather conditions over most of the state have bolstered hopes of a bumper crop this year. The crop condition report released October 6 appears to support the view of Texas cotton on a pre-harvest upswing. The report showed 62 percent of the crop rated good to excellent, versus 50 percent in the previous report. The very poor to poor rating fell to 10 percent from 15 percent.

USDA carved 300,000 bales out of U. S. exports, lowering it to 6.9 million bales, an unexpected change considering the pace of export sales has been very good. Analysts agree that the adjustment in total U. S. exports has to do with China's new cotton policy, aimed at reducing large domestic stocks and restricting imported cotton use. Chinese imports also were reduced by 300,000 bales to 2.4 million.

For the week ended October 2, the department's U. S. export sales report showed a net increase of 280,100 bales, an impressive figure which confirms many expectations of strong buying from foreign interests.

Last week, U. S. cotton futures

prices fell to new contract lows, price levels attractive to foreign buyers. Mexico was the largest buyer of U. S. cotton for the week with purchases totaling 61,300 bales. Japan and Ukraine followed with purchases of 33,500 bales and 25,100 bales respectively.

Spot cotton sales also increased a substantial amount this week as more cotton is becoming available. In the five trading days ended October 9, sales on TELCOT totaled 3,882 bales, a considerable improvement from the previous week's figure of 753 bales. Average daily prices received by producers on the electronic marketing system ranged from 58.00 to 64.09 cents per pound.

USDA's world production number increased slightly from September's estimate of 88.82 million bales to 89.87 million in its recent report. A production increase in India accounted for a large part of the higher world number. The country now is estimated to produce 13.10 million bales, up from the previous 12.80 million bale figure and equal to a recent forecast by a USDA attache. Clear, warm weather in northern Indian growing areas has been favorable for flowering, boll formation and pest control which could result in a larger crop and offset a decrease in planted acres there.

World consumption also is on the rise, USDA estimates an impressive 90.14 million bales will be consumed in 1997-98, up from September's figure of 89.59 million. The new consumption figure is promising to world growers as

it is considerably higher than the 88.10 million bales consumed in 1996-97.

Texas Star Farms Under Construction

by Pammy L. Millican
County Extension Agent

San Antonio is home to Fiesta Texas and SeaWorld. Now it's getting a different kind of theme park.

This one will have cows and crops and it will have the consumer in mind. It will be an opportunity few big cities offer their youth.

When Texas Star Farms opens next spring, it will provide a critical missing link for thousands of big city kids who don't realize how agriculture affects their lives.

Extension specialist Andy Vestal says the centerpiece of Texas Star Farms will be 20 different crops planted in the shape of a star.

There also will be a fruit and nut orchard, a milking parlor, livestock exhibits, a nature trail, a wetlands area, and an education hall with interactive displays.

The Farm is being built on seven acres next to James Madison High School. It will open in phases with the completion set for March of 1999.

Branding Program Could Stall Stolen Horse Trade

Pammy Millican
County Extension Agent

A new state law encouraging horse branding will help identify stolen animals before they become pet food for U. S. markets, law enforcement officials say. The law takes effect September 1 and allows horse owners to permanently brand horses for identification.

cation.

The brands, which may take the form of traditional fire-branding, freeze-branding or a microchip implanted under the skin, are registered with the county clerk's office.

The new law authorizes the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association to inspect, for identification purposes, each horse held, handled, purchased or sold through a slaughterhouse in Texas.

A TSCRA inspector at each slaughter plant will record identifying marks and check them against reports of stolen or missing horses.

Obituaries

SAMMIE H. SMITH

Funeral services for Sammie H. Smith, 83, were conducted at 1:00 p.m. Friday in the Silverton Methodist Church with the pastor, Rev. Jay Stinson, officiating. Burial was in the Silverton Cemetery, with arrangements made by Myers-Long Funeral Directors.

Mr. Smith died Wednesday, October 8.

Born in Briscoe County December 29, 1913 he had been a life-long resident. He was a self-employed farmer and rancher and a jack-of-all-trades. He was a member of the Silverton Methodist Church.

Survivors include an aunt, Addie Self of Lamesa.

Pallbearers were Jack Strange, Steve Jarnagin, Pat Northcutt, Terry Bomar, H. B. Simpson, Wayne Nance, George Reed and Harvey McJimsey.

The family requested memorials be made to the Silverton Cemetery Association.

TDA Allows Use Of Furadan

by Pammy Millican
County Extension Agent

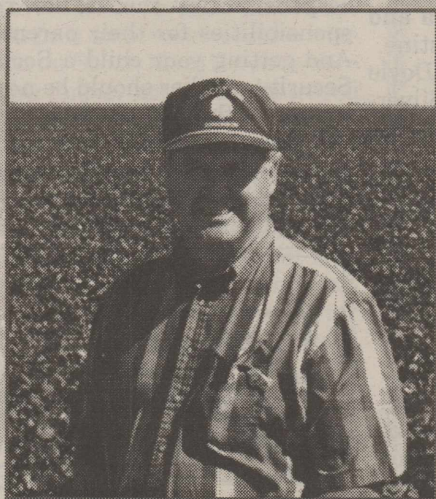
Texas Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry has issued a ruling allowing Texas cotton producers to use flowable carbofuran (Furadan 4F) on cotton to control aphids.

The decision comes after the EPA denied a Texas Department of Agriculture request for an emergency exemption. Perry used a codicil of federal law that allows states to register an additional use of a federally registered product. In this case, Texas cotton producers can use Furadan as a foliar application in addition to the "at planting" application for which it is labeled.

TDA has been working to address the issue with the EPA since May, and has stressed the importance of efficient aphid control. The department estimates that without Furadan, cotton producers face potential losses of \$40 million.

To meet the EPA's concerns, TDA and the Texas cotton industry have taken steps to insure the safe use of Furadan, including separating cotton gin trash at the gin; prohibiting the feeding of gin trash from Furadan-treated fields to livestock; allowing the use of carbofuran only in areas where the EPA threshold of 100 or more aphids per leaf occurs; and asking the manufacturer to provide mixing and training information on the label.

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Every member of a group is a leader when he contributes an idea. Leadership passes from person to person as each contributes to achievement of group goals. A democratic group reaches its height when leadership is spread throughout the membership. There is no limit to the number of leaders within a group. In fact, the more, the better because the act of leadership develops initiative, creativity and mature responsibility that the group need from each member.

WHAT DOES A LEADER DO?

A true leader sees the direction in which a group is moving and gets there quicker than the group as a whole, quick enough so his ideas and actions may influence the thoughts and behavior of the group. A true leader helps the group achieve what they believe

is important. A leader's thoughts and feelings are consistent with their speech and actions. They have ideas and can make suggestions, modifications and expansions of ideas. But they can receive and implement others' ideas, too.

HOW DO YOU LEARN TO LEAD?

The best way to learn leadership is to lead. This means being driven by a desire to serve, achieve goals, and to leave things better than they were before.

Here are five steps to becoming a good leader:

- *Study the qualities of recognized leaders.

- *Study yourself, picking out your weak and strong points.

- *Develop yourself as a good follower. Learn that "he who cannot obey, cannot command."

- *Learn about groups in general and what "makes them tick."

- *Follow a definite plan of training and improvement in leadership.

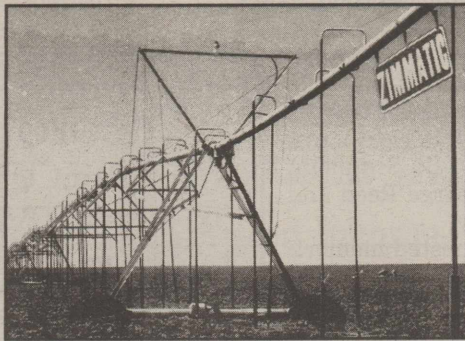
- *Remember, leadership is a function that requires action. It



Silverton Volunteer Firemen JoDee Robison, Leon Lavy and Calvin Shelton presented a fire safety program for Silverton students on Friday of last week. *Briscoe County News Photo*

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is not merely a group of personality traits.

Teaching is part of leadership. It may be easier to do a job than to teach another to do it. Leaders help others develop their skills. Youth can also learn leadership skills in today's 4-H club programs. Contact the County Extension Office for information on how to get on the right track to becoming a leader.

New Arrival

Kerry and Robin Copeland are parents of a son, Jess Mitchell, born September 25 in San Antonio.

He has two brother, Kristopher and Jake, to welcome him into the family.

Grandparents are Donna and W. J. Copeland, jr., of Palestine.

Great-grandparents are Doyle and Merlene Stephens of Silverton and Willard and Louise Copeland of Childress.

The baby was born on his Great-granddaddy Doyle Stephens' birthday.

Preserving Gourds

Calley Payne
County Extension Agent

It's pumpkin-pickin' time. Pumpkins and other types of gourds are popular fall foods, but they can also add a decorative touch to your home for the holidays.

Extension horticulturist Dr. Bill Welch says the curing process takes about three weeks. First, cut a mature gourd from the vine with a sharp knife or pruning shears, leaving about a two-inch stem.

Wash gourds in warm, soapy water and rinse them in water containing a little household dis-

infectant to prevent rotting. Then dry them and store them in a dark, dry and well-ventilated place.

Welch says the darkness will hold the color. Once they're completely dry, they have a variety of uses. Welch says painting, waxing and varnishing can make the vegetable shell even more attractive.

Welch says if gourds develop soft spots or start to shrivel, it indicates they were picked too early and they must be thrown away before the mold spreads to the other gourds.

Baby's First Number Is Probably Its Social Security Number

by Mary Jane Shanes
Social Security Manager
Plainview, Texas

Babies bring with them a lot of responsibilities--that is, new responsibilities for their parents. And getting your child a Social Security number should be near the top of the list. Getting a Social Security number is just the beginning of the valuable protection and benefits your child may be eligible for in the future.

The first occasion the child will have to use the Social security number is when you must use it on your federal income tax return to identify your baby as a dependent. You'll also need a number for your child if you plan to open a bank account, buy savings bonds, obtain medical coverage, or apply for some kinds of government services for the child. If you don't want to apply for a number at birth, you can wait and get one from Social Security later. The choice is yours.

To get your child a Social Security card and number while the baby is still in the hospital, ask your state's vital statistics office to share the information with the Social Security Administration. If you do, your child's Social Security card will be mailed to you. It's that easy.

If you choose to wait, you'll need to visit a Social Security office. When you do, you'll need to bring evidence showing you are the child's parents or legal guardians and your Social Security numbers. You'll also need evidence of your child's age, identity and citizenship. There is no charge for getting a Social Security card and number.



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Jess Craig Little, Pastor

SUNDAY:
 Library Opens.....9:15 a.m.
 Bible Study/S.S.....10:00 a.m.
 Morning Worship.....10:30 a.m.
 Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.
 SECOND & FOURTH
 TUESDAYS:
 Baptist Women.....9:30 a.m.
 WEDNESDAY:
 Library Opens.....6:30 p.m.
 Bible Study/Prayer.....7:00 p.m.

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Jay Stinson, Pastor

SUNDAY:
 Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
 Worship Service.....11:00 a.m.
 Evening Service.....6:00 p.m.
 SECOND SUNDAY:
 Praise & Worship.....6:00 p.m.
 TUESDAY:
 Unit. Meth. Women.....9:30 a.m.
 WEDNESDAY:
 Choir Practice.....5:00 p.m.
 In-home Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

**NEW FELLOWSHIP
BAPTIST MISSION**

SUNDAY:
 Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
 Worship Service.....11:00 a.m.
 Training Union.....5:00 p.m.
 Evening Service.....6:00 p.m.
 WEDNESDAY:
 Choir Rehearsal.....7:00 p.m.
 Prayer Service.....8:00 p.m.

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Father Ed Graff, Pastor

SUNDAY:
 Mass.....9:00 a.m.
 WEDNESDAY:
 Doctrina Class.....4:30-5:30 p.m.
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 Worship Service.....10:30 a.m.
 Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.
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 Worship Service.....7:30 p.m.

Give From Your Need, Not From Your Surplus

The late Bishop Fulton J. Sheen once stated, "Never measure your generosity by what you give, but rather by what you have left." Each year, it seems that everything we purchase increases in price, and rising prices have become a way of life. Perhaps each year we should review our donations to our place of worship and determine if we should increase our support. It is easy to get into the habit of tithing the same amount year after year, not realizing that our church also has expenses that are constantly increasing. Of course, a person's standard of living could go down due to any number of reasons, and these factors would have to be

considered when determining one's support for their church. In the Bible, a poor widow donated two little copper coins worth only about a penny to the temple treasury. Jesus told His disciples that she put more in the offering box than all of the others because, poor as she was, she gave from her need. We cannot out give God, and giving unto the Lord is a blessing to the giver as well as to the receiver.



I ask you, is it right for a person to cheat God? Of course not, yet you are cheating me. How?, you ask. In the matter of tithes and offerings. Good News Bible Malachi 3:8

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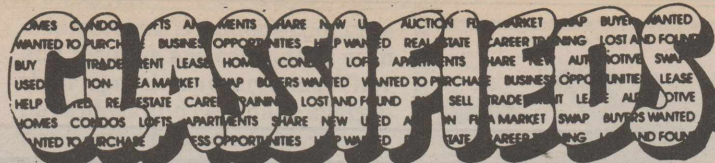
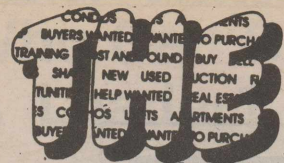
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