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How about those Owls? They are now one of the eight top six-man football teams in Texas!

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The teams remaining in the Texas six-man football playoffs are Lazbuddie and Sands, who will play at 7:30 p.m. Friday at New Deal; Silverton and Borden County, who defeated Grandfalls-Royalty 30-24 last week; Panther Creek, May, Trinidad and Gordon, the defending state champion team that has been ranked first in the state all season.

And how about those Owl fans? They are a great supporting cast for the team.

Doug and Lisa Cherry decorated the highway with red and white streamers all the way from Silverton through Groom to the football field on Thursday night of last week. Decorating along I-40 had to be a bit scary!

Fred Strange collected the names of Owl boosters for the special page in this week's newspaper.

And many, many other Owl boosters have worked to maintain the team's spirit and focus. The cheerleaders and others have put on some really great pep rallies.

The new state rankings are out, and Gordon continues to hold onto first place in the state. Following, in order, are 2. Lazbuddie; 3. Trinidad; 4. Borden County; 5. Panther Creek; 6. May; 7. Grandfalls-Royalty; 8. Silverton; 9. Strawn; 10. Sands; 11. Follett; 12. Miami; 13. Newcastle; 14. Balmorhea; 15. Blackwell; 16. Westbrook; 17. Jayton; 18. Samnorwood; 19. Mullin; 20. Jonesboro; 21. Three Way; 22. Buckholts; 23. Ropes; 24. Lohn; 25. Rochester; 26. Whitharral.

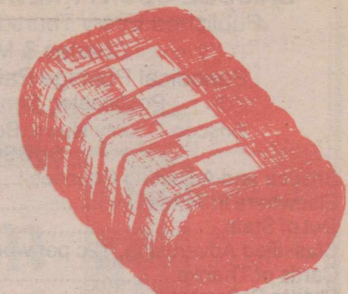
Lazbuddie is predicted to defeat Sands by 14; Borden County is picked over Silverton by 11; Gordon is expected to beat Panther Creek by 11; Trinidad is picked over May by 13.

## Thornberry To Be Here For Town Hall Meeting

Mac Thornberry will be in Silverton for a Town Hall Meeting at 5:30 p.m. Monday, December 1, in the Pioneer Room at First State Bank.

One of the topics for discussion will be the tax relief bill that was signed into law last summer and how it will affect working families and businesses.

If you can't attend the Town Hall Meeting but have things you would like brought to his attention, you can contact Thornberry's office in Amarillo at 724 South Polk, Suite 400, Amarillo, Texas 79101, or telephone 371-8844.



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Red pom-poms flew over the victory celebration at the conclusion of the Owl victory over Miami in Groom on Thursday night of last week. The Owls had just received the trophy for winning the Regional Semi-Final Game, and the celebration was jubilant. This put the Owls in the top eight best six-man football teams in the state.

Briscoe County News Photo

## Owls Pick Flowers, Make History In Regional Semi-Final Game at Groom Thursday Night

Silverton's Owls were able to control Miami's Marshall Flowers in their regional semi-final six-man football playoff game at Groom last week, and by so doing put themselves into the Silverton High School record book.

This was the first time a Silverton football team had advanced to the state quarterfinals!

While avenging their homecoming night loss to Miami early in the season, the Owls held Flowers to 73 yards on 16 rushing attempts and 91 yards on eight-of-thirteen passes. Flowers also caught a pass for a two-yard gain.

But this game didn't turn out to be the Marshall Flowers Show—it belonged to the Owls in entirety and advanced Silverton to the state quarterfinal game with Borden County at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, November 29, in Idalou.

Jared Holt opened the game by kicking off for the Owls. The defense, led by Trey Wyatt, Will Hester and Leland Wood, held the Warriors to three plays. They punted into the endzone for a touchback on fourth down, and set the Owls up to begin their offensive series on the 20.

Jeremy Holt carried the ball a couple of times before Jack Cherry hit Trey Ziegler with a

pass. He followed with a completion to Jeremy which was good for a touchdown with 6:41 remaining in the first quarter. The PAT kick was blocked, and the Owls held an early 6-0 lead.

Once again Jared Holt boomed the ball into the wild blue yonder, and Miami returned it to their 20. They passed complete, then ran for a first down at midfield in spite of tough defense by Wyatt, Jared Francis and Chris Justice. Wood stopped the next play, and Andy Bullock overhauled the next pass completion. A Miami pass was broken up by Bullock on the next play, but the Warriors made a first down, stopped by Wood and Francis, on the Silverton 20. Miami received a ten-yard penalty sandwiched between two incomplete passes. On third down, Flowers was plowed under by the Owls and a fourth-down punt was killed deep in Owl territory.

Jeremy Holt carried to the four, after which Cherry completed a pass to Jared Holt which picked up a first down on the Miami seven. The Owls received a penalty before a pass from Cherry to Jeremy Holt gained a little. Cherry's fourth-down pass was short, and the ball went over on downs.

Hester and Clint Ivory threw the Warriors for a loss on the first play, but the Owls received an offside penalty which gave it back. Justice, Wood and other Owls shut down the Miami offense and brought about a fourth-down punt.

Ziegler and Jeremy Holt combined talents to move the ball and a pass from Cherry to Charlie Bomar was good for a first down. Ziegler carried to the Miami 16, after which Jeremy got a first down on the Miami 5. Ziegler carried the touchdown with 4:47 remaining in the first half. Jeremy drop-kicked the PAT, and the Owls moved ahead 14-0.

Flowers took Jared Holt's kickoff and was brought down by Ziegler on his 15. Then Flowers dragged Justice for about six yards on the next play. Flowers made a valiant effort on this series of plays trying to beat the Owls to the corner, but they were able to keep him from turning it upfield. On fourth down, the handoff went to Flowers who passed to the Silverton 5 with 1:13 remaining before halftime. The Warriors scored on a pass on the next play. The Owls blocked

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## Owls are Visiting Team at Idalou

Silverton's Owls will be the visiting team for the state quarterfinal football game at Idalou Saturday, and Owl fans will be sitting on the visitors' side of the stadium.

Kickoff is at 2:00 p.m.

Admission will be \$3.00 for adults and \$2.00 for students.

## Pep Rally, Team Sendoff Will Be Saturday Morn

This week's Pep Rally will begin at 10:15 a.m. Saturday, November 29, on the west side of the courthouse.

The team sendoff will follow, as the team will be leaving immediately for Idalou. Owl fans will be following the bus to Idalou, and will be having a tailgate picnic in the parking lot at the stadium.

## Tailgate Party Being Planned

A tailgate picnic is being planned before the Silverton Owl state quarterfinal game in Idalou Saturday.

Everyone is asked to bring a sack lunch to eat in a group in the parking lot at the stadium in Idalou.

Drinks will be provided, so a head count is needed. Please call JonEtta Ziegler (823-2242 or 823-2587) and tell her how many drinks you will need at the picnic before 5:00 p.m. Thursday, November 27.

## BCAA Won't Meet This Month

Briscoe County Activities Association won't have a meeting this month, because of Thanksgiving Day falling on their regular meeting day.





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## Redin To Be Considered For The Basketball Hall of Fame

Harley J. Redin, who was reared in Silverton, will be considered later this month for induction into the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame. Redin was among the sport's greatest early influences as coach of the Hutcherson Flying Queens of Wayland Baptist College (now University).

The unparalleled success of women's basketball--both collegiate and professional--often leaves the current generation of superstars unaware of the sacrifices and accomplishments of those who nurtured the sport in its infancy.

As an author, ambassador and coach who won 431 of the 497 games (.867) he coached in 18 years at Wayland, Redin had a marked impact on his athletes, colleagues and the game itself.

His self-described "annual campaign" for the unlimited dribble eventually led to the rule's adoption. Redin also is considered among the first to adapt the fast break to the women's game, first using it in six-on-six competition.

Redin's women's teams won the first 76 games he coached, completing Wayland's record 131-game win streak in the 1950s. His Flying Queens won six Amateur Athletic Union national titles, finished second seven times, third three times and fifth once. With more than 1,200 wins, the Flying Queens today are the winningest women's collegiate team in history. Redin coached 30 athletes who were named AAU All-American a combined 55 times.

A World War II bomber pilot who first coached men's basketball, Redin was a member of the U. S. Olympic Committee, National Women's Basketball Committee and AAU Rules Committee. He coached teams in the AAU and National Girls Basketball League and internationally in the Olympics, Pan American Games and World Games.

He was among the game's early authors, publishing *The*

*Queens Fly High* in 1958 and *A Basketball Guide for Girls* in 1972. His reputation as a significant contributor to the development of women's basketball is well documented.

Redin was recognized by his peers in 1992 when he was presented the Josten's Service Award by the Women's Basketball Coaches Association. He also is a member of the Texas Panhandle Sports Hall of Fame. He will be among those considered in November for induction into basketball's most prestigious academy.

His parents were the late Alvin Redin, who was a long-time Silverton businessman, and Winnie Redin, a long-time teacher in the Silverton Schools. For a number of years, the Redins and Shelley Tomlin sponsored the Wayland freshman team, which was known as the Queen Bees. During those years, the Bees usually played an annual exhibition game in Silverton against the Lady Owls.

## Club to Sponsor Christmas Page

Century of Progress Study Club has announced plans to sponsor the Christmas Greeting Page again this year. They are asking those who would like to extend their Christmas Greetings to their friends and relatives through the page in the Briscoe County News to donate the amount they would have spent sending Christmas cards locally.

The greeting appears in the newspaper's Christmas edition, along with the explanation that the money they would have spent mailing cards had been donated to benefit the Silverton Volunteer Fire and Ambulance Services and the Silverton Public Library.

Members of the sponsoring organization are Polly Cagle, Faye Rampley, Annell Davis, Loretha Rhoderick, Junis Hutsell, Norma Vaughan and Jackie Mercer.

**Back the Owls!**

## LEGAL NOTICE

### NOTICE OF INTENTION TO CONDUCT WEATHER MODIFICATION OPERATIONS IN THE STATE OF TEXAS

Date of the first of three weekly publications of this Notice: November 12, 1997

1. Notice is hereby given that High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1, a political subdivision of the State, 2930 Avenue Q, Lubbock, Texas 79405, has filed an application with the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission for a State permit to conduct weather modification operations to change or attempt to change the natural development of clouds for the purpose, objective, period, and by the method summarized hereinbelow unless a written request is filed within 30 days after first newspaper publication of this notice.

2. High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 submitted an application for a Texas weather modification license on November 6, 1997.

3. The purpose of the weather modification operation is to increase rainfall. The period of the permit is for January 1 through December 31 in each of the years of 1998, 1999, 2000, and 2001.

4. The proposed weather modification operation is to be conducted for and on behalf of the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1, a political subdivision of the State, 2930 Avenue Q, Lubbock, Texas 79405.

5. The proposed weather modification operation is to be carried out in both an "operational area" and "a target area" to cause the intended effects to occur only in the target area. The operational area is that area including Armstrong, Bailey, Castro, Cochran, Crosby, Deaf Smith, Floyd, Garza, Hale, Hockley, Lamb, Lubbock, Lynn, Oldham, Parmer, Potter, Randall, Terry and Yoakum Counties, which is the target area and those portions of the following counties within 30 miles of the outer boundary of the target area: Gaines, Dawson, Borden, Garza, Dickens, Motley, Moore, Briscoe, Swisher, Hartley, Carson, and Kent Counties and Quay, Roosevelt, Curry, and Lea Coun-

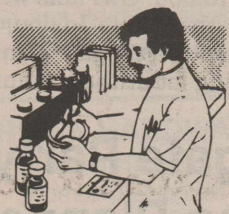
ties in New Mexico.

6. The area to be affected by the proposed weather modification operation is the target area. The target area is that area described as the southwestern part of Armstrong County and all of Bailey, Castro, Cochran, Crosby, Deaf Smith, Floyd, Garza, Hale, Hockley, Lamb, Lubbock, Lynn, Oldham, Parmer, Potter, Randall, Terry, and Yoakum Counties.

7. The methods and materials to be used in conducting this operation are summarized herein: A licensed meteorologist will select cumuloform clouds or other appropriate clouds for cloud-seeding using a weather radar display, standard meteorological analyses, forecasting techniques, surface weather observations, and pilot reports to initiate the release of the seeding particles, such as silver iodide crystals, from airplanes equipped with flare racks and/or generators.

8. Persons interested in knowing more about the technical aspects of the proposed operation should contact the applicant or George Bomar, MC 158, TNRCC, P. O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, (512) 239-0770.

9. Requests for hearing on this application must be submitted in writing during the 30-day-notice period to the chief clerk's office, MC 105, TNRCC, P. O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, (512) 239-3300. The petition must contain (1) the signature, full name, address and phone number of each person requesting the hearing; (2) a statement that each person is at least 18 years of age and resides, or owns, property in the operational area; and, (3) a description of each person's interest and how that interest would be adversely affected. Requests for hearing must be received by the Commission within 30 days of the date of the first publication of this notice. If at least 25 eligible persons make written request, the Commission will hold a public hearing on the application prior to the issuance of the permit. For more information concerning citizen participation, contact Blas J. Coy, Jr., Public Interest Counsel, MC 103, TNRCC, P. O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, (512) 239-6363. 47-2tc



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## LOOKING BACK

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**November 26, 1987**--The Owls will meet Wellman, an 80-42 winner over Balmorhea lastweek, Friday night at Smyer . . . The three senior Owls, Clay Schott, Robbie McWaters and Ryan Smith, were showing off the district championship trophy and the bi-district championship trophy . . . 4-H Food Show is largest in decade . . . Mr. and Mrs. Roger Cantwell announce the birth of their daughter, London Noel . . . Owlettes earn victory over Cotton Center in their first game . . . Venita Asebedo won second place in sparring in a karate tournament at Abilene October 17 . . . Smith-Russell vows exchanged in formal church ceremony . . .

**December 1, 1977**--Graveside services conducted Sunday for Beth Strange, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Strange . . . Services conducted for Mrs. Jewell Kirk . . . Jim and Sheila Reid are having open house for their Silverton friends and relatives December 3 . . . Varsity teams take victories from Claude . . . Mr. and Mrs. Perry Thomas, Juannah and Missy Woods spent the Thanksgiving holidays in Wichita, Kansas with Mr. and Mrs. Don Thomas and family . . . Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rex Long in McLean Thanksgiving Day were Mr. and Mrs. Bud Long, Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Tate, Silverton; Mrs. Jack Brock and Tonya, Amarillo; Kit Long, Duncan, Oklahoma; Mr. and Mrs. Mike Long, McLean . . . Recently a family dinner was held in the Datis Martin home in honor of their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary. Hosting the occasion were their children and grandchildren . . . Weldon Griffin was injured in a freak hunting accident Thanksgiving Day. He had shot a deer and when he approached the animal to cut its throat, the deer, still alive, gored Griffin in the leg, cutting tendons, muscle and causing considerable damage just above the knee in the back of his leg . . . Mr. and Mrs. Gary Nelson House are happy to announce the arrival of their daughter, Page Elaine . . .

**November 23, 1967**--Jan Lanham is 1967 winner of Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizen Award . . . O. R. Stark, jr. will be guest speaker for the Briscoe County Historical Survey Committee Thursday . . . Laquita Croft underwent an emergency appendectomy in Lockney General Hospital . . . Billy Ray Ford is recuperating following an appendectomy . . . Albert Ramsey is back on the job after also having had an appendectomy . . . Mr. and Mrs. Troy Jones and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wristen and family in Borger over the weekend . . . Mr. and Mrs. Lark Miller have been visiting relatives in Oklahoma . . . The engagement and approach-

ing marriage of Miss Susan Anderson to Mr. Leonard Koslowski was recently announced . . . Three persons were injured Wednesday of last week in a traffic accident six miles south of the San Jacinto School on Highway 207. Orville Rigdon of Amarillo suffered a broken leg and was transferred to an Amarillo hospital after emergency treatment at Swisher Memorial Hospital. Mrs. Jarus Flowers and her daughter, Nedra, who is a fourth grade student in the Silverton Schools, were hospitalized in Tulia . . . Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Henson of Lindsay, Oklahoma visited friends here Friday . . . Mr. and Mrs. John Francis visited her sister, Rev. and Mrs. Delton Fisher and family, at Anton over the weekend . . . Mr. and Mrs. Jack Strange attended the Tech-Baylor football game in Lubbock Saturday afternoon . . .

**December 26, 1957**--Former local man, Norlan Dudley, heads Hart Bank . . . Peggy Davis to wed Leo Fleming . . . Evelyn Jones and Sam Brown entertain Lions Club gathering . . . Lieut. and Mrs. Carol D. Davis and Alex of Columbus, Georgia are spending the holidays here with relatives . . . Fred Mercer went to Grand Prairie and drove his parents' car home Friday. Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Mercer had visited relatives in that area for several days . . . Mr. and Mrs. Onar Cornett, Don and Brenda went to Longview Monday to spend Christmas with their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Cornett . . . A turkey dinner with all the trimmings was enjoyed on Sunday, December 15, when Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Hill, Sylvia and Ralph were hosts to Rev. and Mrs. M. E. Green, David and other guests . . . J. F. Cowsar returned home Saturday afternoon after having spent a few days in Texline with his daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Helvy McMurtry . . . Mrs. P. D. Jasper and Dawn moved into their new home Thursday . . . Tommy Autry, a student at Howard Payne in Brownwood, arrived here Friday to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Autry . . . Mr. and Mrs. Dock Wallace, Gloria and Larry are spending Christmas with relatives in California . . .

**November 27, 1947**--W. T. Graham gives \$1,000 to TB fund . . . A. G. Tadlock dies in home of his son, Walter . . . Ten days of moisture brings total to 1.60 . . . Scarlet fever prevalence great over the state . . . Top honors to Happy in championship game . . . The Dillard Scotts entertained the football boys and their dates Monday night at a supper . . . Mrs. H. Roy Brown, Mrs. Durward Brown and Mrs. Estelle McEwin were shopping in Plainview recently . . .

Mike Edens, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Morris, underwent a tonsillectomy at the Tulia hospital Monday . . . Duke Woods and Junior Carpenter of Quitaque were Silverton visitors last Sunday . . . Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Olive of Plainview visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Olive, Sunday . . . Varicose veins in farm animals are inherited . . .

**November 5, 1925**--Charlsie Glynn Allard was surprised Saturday afternoon on returning from a neighbor's and finding a roomful of her playmates ready to receive her. The surprise was in remembrance of her seventh birthday. Attending were Roberta and J. C. Turner, Baby Rose Morgan, Normae Thompson, Jessie and Pauline Buchanan, Mary Eva and Walter Allard, jr., Gladys Fay, Imagine, Earlin and Sheley Pitts, Johnnie Marie and Budie Junior Simpson, Eva Lou Pllard, Wallace Alexander, Fay Allard, Frances Buchanan and Mrs. Poe and Ms. Johnson . . . Terry Evans has returned to the Flag, frost having ruined his father's crop on the plains . . . Mrs. Henry Heckman and little daughter, Lorene, were shopping in Clarendon Monday . . . Mrs. J. R. Steele was in town Saturday. She said that Mr. Steele was getting better and would be home this week from Mineral Wells where he had been for the baths . . .

D. H. Alexander and family spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mrs. Alexander's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Donnell . . . A group of ex-servicemen met last Thursday night at the courthouse and signed an application for a charter for the organization of a Post of the American Legion . . . Jack Wright has been seriously ill the past ten days with catarrhal jaundice . . .

**October 9, 1925**--J. W. Brannon, one of the crew of carpenters from Munday that has been building a house for T. J. Hodges on his place three miles north of town, was painfully injured Saturday afternoon when he fell from the roof of the building . . . The 10-year-old son of Sam Allen was seriously injured Sunday noon at Quitaque when run over by a car being driven by Everett Boyles . . . Members of the Silverton football team are Jim Stevenson, center; Arthur Thomas, right guard; Greene Buchanan, right tackle; Johnny McClendon, right end; Edwin Crass, left guard; Printz Brown, left tackle; Robert Hill, left end; True Burson, fullback; Price Stone, quarterback; Ted Woods, right halfback; Willie Hardcastle, left halfback . . . Briscoe County to have exhibit at Dallas Fair for first time . . . The Junior play given Saturday night as the closing feature of the Community Fair was well received by the

large audience in attendance. Preceding the play a number of specialties were given, including a make-believe broadcasting program. Edward Minyard did the announcing from Station ABC and the listeners heard a familiar bedtime story. Misses Anna Burson, Loreta Pyeatt and Lillian Dickerson presented a pretty little dancing act featuring the Charleston step. Misses Ruby Bomar and Laura Ella Coffee sang one of the present-day popular hits . . . Tom Northcutt was severely but not seriously injured Saturday night when his truck overturned on the highway where it makes the turn into Main Street . . . E. G. Snapka, who recently purchased the residential property on the corner of Seventh and Grady Streets from A. R. Castleberry, moved into the home Monday . . . Earl Simpson is constructing a small residence on the block near where his mill is located. . . Ralls Miller was kicked by a horse on the leg and received a very painful injury . . .

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## Thanksgiving Blessings

**Thanksgiving is an important occasion because it not only reminds us to count our blessings, but to recognize the importance of being good neighbors. And when neighbors work together, everyone prospers.**

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## Plainview Symphony To Present Annual Christmas Concert Dec. 4

You know Christmas is around the corner when Dr. Carl Moman picks up the baton, as he has since 1989, and directs the Plainview Symphony in its annual Christmas Concert in Wayland Harral Auditorium Thursday, December 4, at 7:30 p.m.

Traditional Christmas music will be played by the orchestra in the first half of the program followed by the Wayland Choirs directed by Dr. J. Scott Herrington.

Sherry Akin, president of the board of directors of the Symphony suggests season tickets as an early Christmas gift. "There will be a Pops Concert January 15 followed by a Patriotic Concert February 26. Adult season tickets are \$20, students \$8 and family tickets \$40 available from Marian Crawford at 293-0444 or P. O. Box 1857," she said.

Artistic directors Mary Jane King and Dr. Nancy King Sanders said the 65-member orchestra will play the always-popular "Christmas Music for Orchestra," by John Cacavas; "Choral of the Drum" by Katherine Davis; "It's Christmas Time" arranged by Calvin Custer; Leroy Anderson's "Bugler's Holiday"; "Peter and the Wolf" by Serge Prokofieff and close with the always-requested "A Rockin' Christmas" arranged by Chuck Sayre.

The almost-70 members of the Wayland International Choir and the Wayland Singers will sing arrangements of John Rutter's carols including "The First Noel"; "Joy to the World"; "O Come All Ye Faithful" and "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear". They will conclude the program with Berlin's "White Christmas" and the "Hallelujah Chorus" from Handel's Messiah.

Dr. Nancy King Sanders said, "Plainview is uniquely blessed to have such a large pool of talented musicians from which to draw. Plainview still remains one of the smallest towns to have a Symphony Orchestra. They are all talented individuals. It is remarkable to see local musicians come together to play for the sheer enjoyment of playing. It's not their profession but an avocation. My mother and I are pleased to carry on the work J. W. King, jr. started 19 years ago. He had the vision; we will see that it is continued," she concluded.

Guest conductor Dr. Carl Moman, in addition to being a tenor, is an ordained minister. He is an experienced performer of oratorio, recital and operatic works. He has appeared throughout the United States in a wide range of performances. He earned his bachelor of arts degree from William Jewell College and his masters and doctors degrees from Washington University.

Before assuming his present position as Music Division Chair at Wayland in 1987, Moman had experience in public school music, church music ministry and pastored in Missouri and Kentucky.

Guest conductor J. Scott Herrington became Director of Choral Studies at Wayland during the summer of 1992. Prior to Wayland, he taught at West Texas State University and Baylor University. He received his bachelor of music in vocal performance and master of music in choral conducting and literature from West Texas State University. He was awarded his doctor of musical arts degree at the University of Missouri in Kansas City where he also received the Graduate Achievement Award.

Prior to the evening concert, the Symphony will have performed for the fourth and fifth graders of the Plainview ISD and Plainview Christian Academy. The concert features Wes Narron narrating "Peter and the Wolf" to introduce the students to the various instruments that comprise an orchestra. The Plainview Symphony board of directors will serve dinner to the orchestra members between concerts.

On a first-come, first-served basis, tickets will be available at the Wayland box office before the performance. Adults will be charged \$8 and students \$3.

## Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I would like to subscribe to the Briscoe County News for my brother for his birthday (November 19). He will be able to keep up with the news from home now. I have really enjoyed getting my paper since we were there in Silvertown in June. It was good to see you too. Tell everyone hello for me.

Thanks a lot,  
Gretchen (Morris) Martin  
Please send to: Arnold Morris  
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## Happy Birthday-

- November 27--Jill Culwell, John Daniels, Thomas Perkins, jr., Michael Long, Blaze Cogdell
- November 28--McKenzie Taylor Perkins, Octavio Trevino, Rosa Linda Segura, Eric Minyard, Stan Couch, Rita Davis, Fairy McWilliams
- November 29--Hand Baird, George Reed
- November 30 -- Heather Henderson, Larry May, Thomas Lee Perkins, sr.
- December 1 -- Bailey Jordan

## Direct Deposit: What Are You Waiting For?

by Mary Jane Shanes  
Social Security Manager  
Plainview, Texas

It won't be long. The cold winds of winter are just around the corner. If you sign up for direct deposit now you can sit at home this winter, warm and cozy, and know your money is in the bank every month. Direct deposit is the safe, convenient way to receive your Social Security or Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits.

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If you have an account, you can call your bank or Social Security to switch to direct deposit. You'll need your bank statement or personal check, and your Social Security number. You can expect your benefits to be deposited in your account within 30 to 60 days. We'll send you a letter telling you when to expect your benefits to be in your bank account.

## A Guide to Texas Spiders

by Pammy Millican  
County Extension Agent

Here's a fact we bet you didn't know. There are 900 species of spiders in Texas!

Extension entomologist Dr. John Jackman says there's no need to be afraid. He says the vast majority of spiders are beneficial because they eat insects. It's only the brown recluse and black widow spiders that you need to worry about. Their bites are harmful. The widows are slow moving creatures that hang upside down under sheltered areas. The brown recluse spider moves mostly at night so it's advisable to turn on lights and shake out shoes and other items where they could hide.

## Happy Anniversary-

- November 27--Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brannon
  - November 28--Mr. and Mrs. George Long
  - November 30--Mr. and Mrs. Eber Gill, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hill
  - December 1--Mr. and Mrs. Danny Perkins, Mr. and Mrs. Doug Turner
  - December 3--Mr. and Mrs. Ted Kingery
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- Bounds, Estella Trevino, Norma Garcia, Christi McWaters
  - December 2--Brenda Gaskins, Jena McFall, Stella Hall, Cameron Stephens
  - December 3--Fernando Patino, Beryl Long, Penny Carpenter

## Holiday Marketwatch

Calley Payne  
County Extension Agent

Thanksgiving falls on November 27th this year. Because it's so late in the month, Extension marketing economist Dr. Dick Edwards says consumers are in for non-stop shopping values from now until Christmas. There will be lots of specials on turkeys whether you save up coupon points or you spend a designated amount on groceries to get a discount.

He says look for the best prices the week of Thanksgiving. You might get a frozen bird for as little as 29 or 39 cents a pound. Fresh turkeys will run at least 49 cents a pound. Edwards says while 90 percent of our tables are graced with turkey at Thanksgiving, the meat choices become more varied when we head into Christmas.

Turkey is still the favorite, but many people also serve ham, and beef or pork roast. And again, the side dishes such as sweet potatoes will be featured.

Edwards says sales on dessert ingredients and foods also will increase after Thanksgiving as will party foods such as chips, nuts and drinks. He says many people forego the home prepara-

tion and opt for prepackaged party trays. Aside from the culinary component of Christmas, there's also a horticultural sales sector. Edwards says you'll find the best prices on poinsettias during mid-December, but if you want the best, freshest Christmas trees, you need to shop early. Most tree farms and lots will be open the weekend after Thanksgiving.



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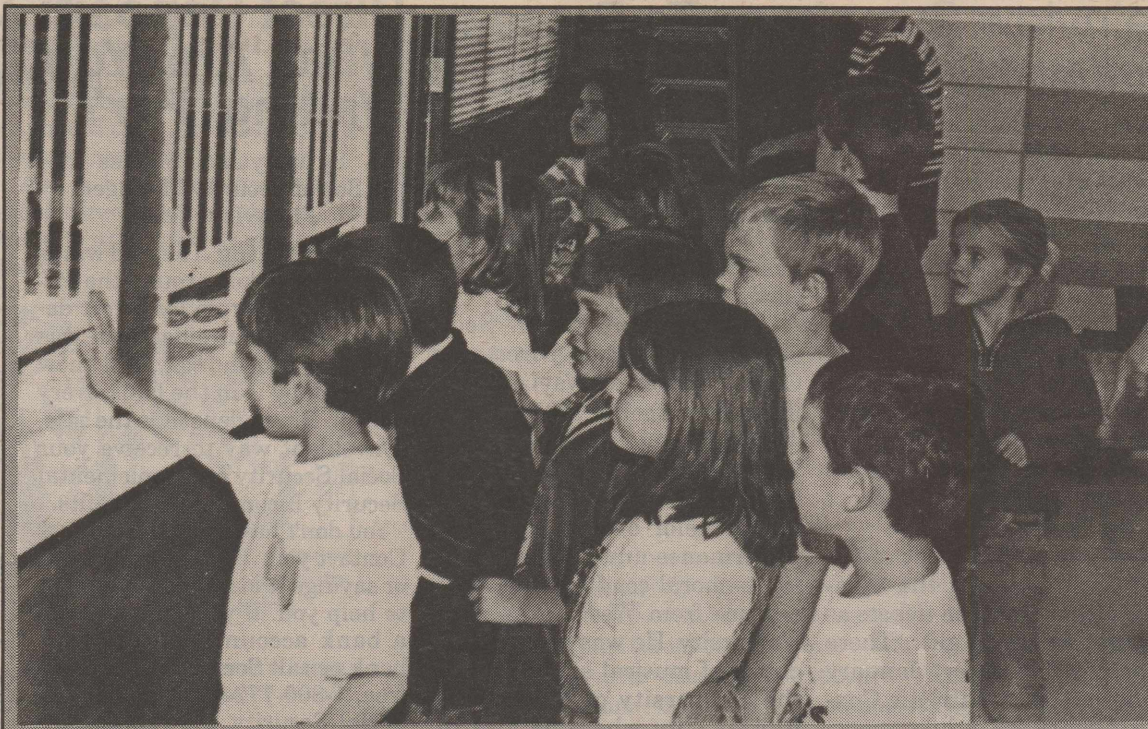
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First State Bank opened a branch office in the Silverton School cafeteria last week. First and second grade students were the first permitted to make deposits in the bank which is being operated by high school business students. Their deposits will be recorded at the bank and students will not be able to withdraw their money until it amounts to \$25.00. The vocational agriculture students built the bank fixture and the art class decorated it. This is an activity to give students a better understanding of the workings of a bank. The name of this branch office is The Owl's Nest, and the bank statements and other stationery being used are decorated with the Owl mascot. It is presumed that the students' nest eggs will be placed in The Owl's Nest.

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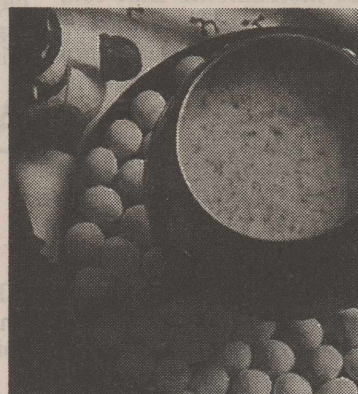
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## The Return of the Fondue Party



This holiday season, make this easy, cheesy dip. Your guests won't be able to resist the tasty fun!

It's time to turn back the clock and reintroduce a lovely, cheesy dish. Working on the premise that "everything that goes around, comes around," we think it's time to have fun with fondue. For a festive New Year's Eve party, make Cheesy Broccoli Fondue with Bite-Size Biscuits. Dust off the fondue pot — it's great for serving this hot dip!

The home economists at Pioneer Flour Mills have developed this recipe to be especially easy on the party host. With gravy mix as the base, this dip is very creamy and smooth. Use either regular gravy mix or no-fat gravy mix in the recipe. Broccoli and pimento add color, flavor, and a nutritional boost to the fondue.

Many Americans have decided to spend New Year's Eve in the comfort of their homes. Fondue is an easy and fun method of entertaining for adults and children alike.

### Cheesy Broccoli Fondue

1 1/2 cups water (divided)  
1 package (1.89 to 2.75 oz.) Pioneer Chicken or Country Gravy Mix

- 1 package (8 oz.) shredded process cheese food
- 1 package (10 oz.) frozen chopped broccoli, thawed and drained
- 1 jar (2 oz.) diced pimento (2 tablespoons), drained
- Bite-Size Biscuits (below)

In medium saucepan, bring 1 cup of the water to a boil. Dissolve gravy mix in remaining 1/2 cup water; stir into boiling water until thickened. Stir in cheese. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, until cheese is melted. Stir in broccoli and pimento. Heat through, stirring occasionally. Pour cheese mixture into fondue pot or ceramic pot. Serve with Bite-Size Biscuits. Makes 4 cups fondue.

### Bite-Size Biscuits

3 cups Pioneer Biscuit & Baking Mix  
1 cup milk

In large bowl, stir together biscuit mix and milk to form a ball. Turn out onto floured\* surface; knead 8 to 10 times. Roll out to 1/4-inch thickness. Using miniature (about 1 inch) cookie cutters, cut out biscuits. Place on a greased baking sheet. Bake at 400° for 6 to 8 minutes or until golden brown. Using wooden picks, dip Bite-Size Biscuits into Cheesy Broccoli Fondue. Makes 4 to 5 dozen biscuits.

\*Use additional baking mix to "flour" the surface, if desired.

For a copy of Pioneer Flour Mills' newest cookbook, **Southern Success Recipes**, send your name, address, and a check or money order for \$2.00 to: Pioneer Cookbook Offer #1, P.O. Box 311241, New Braunfels, TX 78131. Please make check payable to Pioneer Flour Mills. Visit our web site for exciting recipes, baking tips and more: [www.pioneermills.com](http://www.pioneermills.com)

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## Names for Christmas Greeting Page

Print the names as you would like for them to appear on the Christmas Greeting Page and send them to: Century of Progress Study Club  
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## Obituaries

### ROY A. YOUNGER

Funeral services for Roy A. Younger, 68, were conducted at 3:00 p.m. Monday at the First Baptist Church in Silverton with the pastor, Rev. Jess Little, officiating.

Burial was in the Silverton Cemetery, with arrangements directed by Myers-Long Funeral Home.

Mr. Younger died at his farm Saturday, November 22.

He was born September 13, 1929 in Harleton, Texas and had lived in Silverton for 43 years. He was a veteran of the Korean War.

He married Eva Lou Self on March 12, 1959 in Silverton. He was employed by Ray Thompson Implement Company from 1958 until 1972, where he began farming.

He was a member of the original Emergency Medical Technician certification class held in Silverton, and was a charter member of the State EMT Association. He was a member of the Silverton Volunteer Fire Department until his health began to fail.

He was preceded in death by a son, Roger, on November 12, 1991, and a grandson, Bradley, on August 19, 1975.

Survivors include his wife, of the home; four daughters, Lexie McCutchen of Memphis, Jeanetta Bradford and her hus-

band, Doug, of Silverton, Lydia Couch and her husband, Lyndall, of Las Vegas, Nevada and Lisa Gragson and her husband, Robert, of Pine Bluff, Arkansas; a daughter-in-law, Cynthia Younger of Crane, Texas; six grandsons, John and Allan McCutchen, Trenton and Martin Younger, Lyndon Couch and Lance Bradford; three granddaughters, LaShawn Couch, Tyra Younger and Courtney Gragson; a great-granddaughter, Meranda Younger; two brothers and two sisters, Aaron Younger and Laverne Stephens, both of Silverton, and Doyle Younger and Allene Newman, both of Harleton.

Pallbearers were Gary McMullen, Jack McFall, Steve Miller, Donald Paul Fleming, Alton Riddell, Don Brown and Dwain Henderson.

Honorary pallbearers were Bryant Eddleman, J. D. McGavock, Wayne Stephens, Wayne Nance, Shafe Weaver, Leo Fleming, L. B. Ivory, Flute Hutsell and Harvey McJimsey.

The family requested that memorials be made to the Silverton Fire Department; Silverton Ambulance Service; Silverton Cemetery Association, or to a favorite charity.

### MILDRED L. McDANIEL

Mildred Lucille McDaniel, 78, died Monday, November 24, in Lubbock.

Services will be at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, November 26, 1997 at the Rock Creek Church of Christ. Mr. J. D. Nance and Mr. John Francis will officiate. Burial will be in the Silverton Cemetery under the direction of Myers-Long Funeral Directors.

Mrs. McDaniel was born on February 17, 1919 at Flomot, Texas. She married Ashel McDaniel November 16, 1935 in Silverton. They had been married for 62 years.

She was a master seamstress and talented at arts and crafts, quilting and knitting. She was a member of the Rock Creek Church of Christ.

Survivors include her husband, Ashel, of the home in the Rock Creek community west of Silverton; two daughters and sons-in-law, Nena and Gary Hunt of Clarendon and Jon and Elaine LaBaume of Floydada; four grandchildren and their spouses, Charles and Kelli Childre of Allen, Texas, Clint and Audra Hunt of Canyon, Johnny and Kayla Lindley of Lakeview and Coy LaBaume of Plainview; one great-granddaughter, Kortni Lindley of Lakeview; and one sister, Anna Mae Smith of Quitaque.

Memorials may be made to the Silverton Volunteer Ambulance Service or to Floyd County Friends at P. O. Box 58, Floydada, Texas 79235.

### MAUDIE LAWSON

Funeral services for Mrs. Maudie Lawson, 85, of Lockney were conducted at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, November 25, at the Main Street Church of Christ with Bro. Russell Harris, minister, officiating assisted by the Rev. Harold Abney, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Lockney. Burial was in the Lockney Cemetery under the direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home of Lockney.

Mrs. Lawson died Sunday, November 23, at Mangold Memorial Hospital in Lockney.

Born July 5, 1912 in Love County, Oklahoma, she attended school in Oklahoma. She moved from Oklahoma to Lockney in 1931. She married Reed Elias

Lawson December 11, 1937 in Canyon, Texas. He preceded her in death on March 15, 1997.

Mrs. Lawson was a homemaker. She was a member of Lockney Senior Citizens, the Lockney Chapter #437 of the Order of the Eastern Star and the Main Street Church of Christ in Lockney.

She is survived by two daughters and sons-in-law, Reeda Cay and Dan Smith of Lockney and Sandra and Larry Hammit of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; one brother, Hubert Renick of Kingsville, Texas; four grandchildren, Garry Hammit and his wife, Irm, of Spring, Texas, Julie Sibiol and her husband, Joe of Vienna, Virginia, Tikka Smith and Michelle Smith, both of Lockney; and five great-grandchildren, Katherine and Stephen Hammit of Spring and Ashley, Jennifer and Joshua Siblo of Vienna, Virginia.

The family suggested that memorials be made to a charity of your choice.

received this year.

Drought recovery was a major topic at this year's Texas Christmas Tree Growers Association conference. Bob Allison grows Christmas trees in Marquez. He says the trees look better this year.

His focus now shifts to marketing . . . convincing people to choose and cut their own tree. Of the three million trees sold in Texas each year, only about ten percent are grown here.

Extension forester Lanny Dreesen says it takes four to five years for a tree to reach maturity. The trees are trimmed a few times each year to get them in shape.

The going price for a home grown Christmas tree is \$3.50 a foot. So for a six foot tree, you'll pay \$21.00. It is recommended you cut off another inch from your tree when you get it home, then immediately put it in water, keeping it wet to prevent it from drying out.

## Better Year For Christmas Trees

Calley Payne  
County Extension Agent

With the drought over, 1997 has been a better year for most crops. That includes Christmas trees.

Mike Walterschiedt is still cutting down trees he said died because of last year's drought. Like the other 400 Christmas tree growers in Texas, he hopes his business perks up from the rain

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The Cafeteria Workers did their part for the team on Thursday of last week by substituting a favorite lunch: chicken strips, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, hot rolls, honey, milk and butter, in place of the lunch that had been planned. The cheerleaders have done a great job; the pep squad has done a great job; the parents are doing a great job; but the nutritional needs of the team were adeptly met on game day by these ladies: (standing, left to right) Dora Bullock, Judy DeLeon, Faye Lynn Maciel, Jo Ann McFall, Betty Hall; (sitting) Lydia Segura, Rose Mary Perkins. *Briscoe County News Photo*

## Owls Pick Flowers, Make History In Regional Semi-Final Game at Groom Thursday Night

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the PAT kick, and with 33 seconds remaining on the clock, the Owl lead had been narrowed to 14-6.

The Owls controlled the onside kick, but were unable to move the ball before time expired in the half.

Miami kicked off to open the second half and controlled the runback at the 25. Jeremy carried a couple of times and Cherry completed another pass to Jared Holt which was good for a first down at midfield. Jeremy carried a couple of plays, then Ziegler made the first down. The Owls suffered a quarterback sack before Cherry passed to Jeremy for a first down on the Miami 5. Jeremy carried the touchdown with 4:19 remaining in the third quarter. The PAT pass was intercepted, and the score remained 20-6.

Hester and Wood stopped the runback on the ensuing kickoff at the 15, after which Francis, Wood and Justice halted progress on a running play. Justice put a hard rush on the passer which brought about an incomplete pass, after which the Warriors punted and were unable to stop Jeremy Holt until he reached the 36.

On the second play, Miami intercepted an Owl pass and ended

the series with 2:01 remaining in the third quarter. The Owls brought about a Miami fumble on the next play, but the Warriors were able to recover it before making a first down. Wyatt broke up another Miami pass attempt and the ball went over on downs to the Owls as the third quarter came to a close.

Jeremy and Ziegler each carried the ball once before Cherry completed a pass to Jeremy. The Warriors were flagged for grabbing Jeremy's facemask and this moved the Owls to a first down. Jeremy Holt moved the ball to the Miami 20 with 6:48 remaining in the game, but the ball went over to the Warriors on downs.

Flowers completed a pass for a first down, then ran for five yards before Bullock intercepted one of the Miami aeriels.

The Owls were unable to move the ball, and punted away. Wood and Wyatt stopped Flowers on the return. On the next play, Miami fumbled the ball and the Owls recovered on about the 35.

Jeremy Holt ran the ball four downs, taking valuable time off the clock and moving it down to 2:12, but the ball went back to the Warriors on downs on the 25.

Miami passed complete and were stopped by Wood with 1:59 remaining in the game. The

player was injured and removed from the field. The Warriors threw two short complete passes and Flowers passed for a first down. Francis and Ivory held the Warriors to minus yardage, after which Wyatt intercepted a Miami pass and went out of bounds when he might have been able to score. This was an act of good sportsmanship and self preservation, as Wyatt probably knew better than anyone that his injured knee didn't need a hit from behind. Time expired on the play.

Jeremy Holt led the rushing for the Owls with 68 yards gained on 20 attempts. Ziegler went 11 for 34.

Cherry hit 10 of 15 passes for a gain of 133 yards and had one intercepted. Jeremy Holt completed one pass for a gain of 10 yards.

Jeremy Holt caught five passes for a gain of 133 yards; Adrian Ramirez, two for 34; Charlie Bomar, one for 19; Jared Holt, two for 18; Ziegler, one for nine yards.

The Owls have had two really good games in a row, and will be doing their best at Idalou Saturday afternoon against Borden County. You'll miss a good game if you don't go!

## Lady Owls Off and Running, Blowing Away the Competition

The Lady Owls are off and running in the new basketball season under the direction of Coach Joe Crabb, and are blowing away their competition in the area.

When the Lady Patriots from Valley High came to call, the Owl Ladies dumped them to the tune of 85-22.

Michelle Warren came through with a huge offensive effort and caged 26 points in the game. Also scoring in double figures were Lindsey Weaks, 15; Lacy Brunson, 14; Dara Ramsey, 13 points.

Adding to the score were Misty Wilkinson, eight; Sara Kirchoffner, three; Lisa Comer, two points.

Lady Owls	24	51	77	85
Valley	7	14	18	22

The junior varsity Lady Owls also came through with a big victory, taking a big first-quarter lead and building it throughout the game.

Taylor Griffin burned the baskets with a big 26-point effort. Dara Johnston scored 15 and Brooke Garvin added 13. Also scoring were Sharyl McMurtrey, six, and Catherine Reyna, two

JV Lady Owls	16	31	49	62
Valley	0	2	8	10

At Motley County Saturday, the Lady Owl varsity team took a decisive victory over the Lady Matadors. After jumping out to a 25-3 lead before the first quarter ended, the Lady Owls continued to extend their lead throughout the game.

Lacy Brunson and Sara Kirchoffner had the hot hands, scoring 21 and 20 points respectively. Also in double figures were Dara Ramsey, 14, and Lindsey Weaks, 13. Also scoring were Destiny Ivory, eight; Misty Wilkinson and Michelle Warren, six points each; Lisa Comer, two points.

Lady Owls	25	46	68	90
Motley Co.	3	13	25	40

The junior varsity team also played well against Motley, earning big 62-24 victory.

Taylor Griffin bombed the baskets with a 25-point scoring explosion. Dara Johnston also scored in double figures, contributing 16 points. Also scoring were Catherine Reyna, eight; Brooke Garvin, seven; Sharyl McMurtrey, six points.

JV Lady Owls	13	30	49	62
Motley Co.	8	10	18	24

## Junior High Teams Win Three of Four

Silverton's seventh grade Lady Owls earned a big 35-19 victory over the Motley County girls last week. Tarran Forbes led the scoring with 10 points, followed by Lauren VanHorn with nine and Bryn Mayfield with eight. Also scoring were Kathryn Myers, four; Jenny Young and Kassie Strange, two points each.

7th Lady Owls	6	15	23	35
Motley County	2	7	12	19

The eighth grade Lady Owls dropped a close game, 43-42, after losing one player to asthma and another to fouls.

Amanda Estes led the scoring with 16 points, while Chelsey Cherry added 12 points. Brandi Rice contributed nine points; Kurby Garvin got three and Kami Wilson added a pair of points.

8th Lady Owls	13	25	32	42
Motley County	9	25	36	43

The seventh grade Owls overcame a first quarter tie to win their game 26-19. Red Ivory led the scoring with 12 points and Dustin Hale rang up 10. Monty Wood rounded out the scoring with four points.

7th Owls	6	12	20	26
Motley	6	8	11	19

The eighth grade Owls rolled along to a lop-sided 58-4 victory led by Andrew Francis and Jimmy Castillo, whose hot hands burned the baskets with 24 and 22 points respectively. Also scoring were Matt Strange, six; Clay McMurtrey, four; Junior Gonzalez, two points.

8th Owls	24	38	50	58
Motley County	0	0	4	4

## Varsity B'Ball Teams Entered in Floydada Tourney

Silverton's varsity Owls and Lady Owls are entered in the Floydada Classic Tournament to be played December 4-5-6.

If the Owls are still in the football playoffs, they will not be able to take part in the tournament.

Tentatively, the Owls are scheduled to play Hale Center at 11:30 a.m. Thursday. This game would follow the Lady Owls vs. Hale Center at 10:00 a.m.

The other teams in the tournament are from Lorenzo, Clarendon, Spur, Smyer, Ralls and Floydada.

**Owls Are Great!**

## Scholastic Book Fair Is Dec. 2-4

The Scholastic Book Fair will be in the Silverton School Library December 2-3-4. It will be open from 8:15 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Thursday night, the Book Fair will stay open until 6:30 p.m.

Please support the Book Fair. All proceeds go to the Accelerated Reader Trip to Wonderland Park.

The Book Fair has a good selection of games, educational activities, crafts, bookmarks, pencils and great stocking stuffer ideas as well as good quality paperbacks and hard-back books.

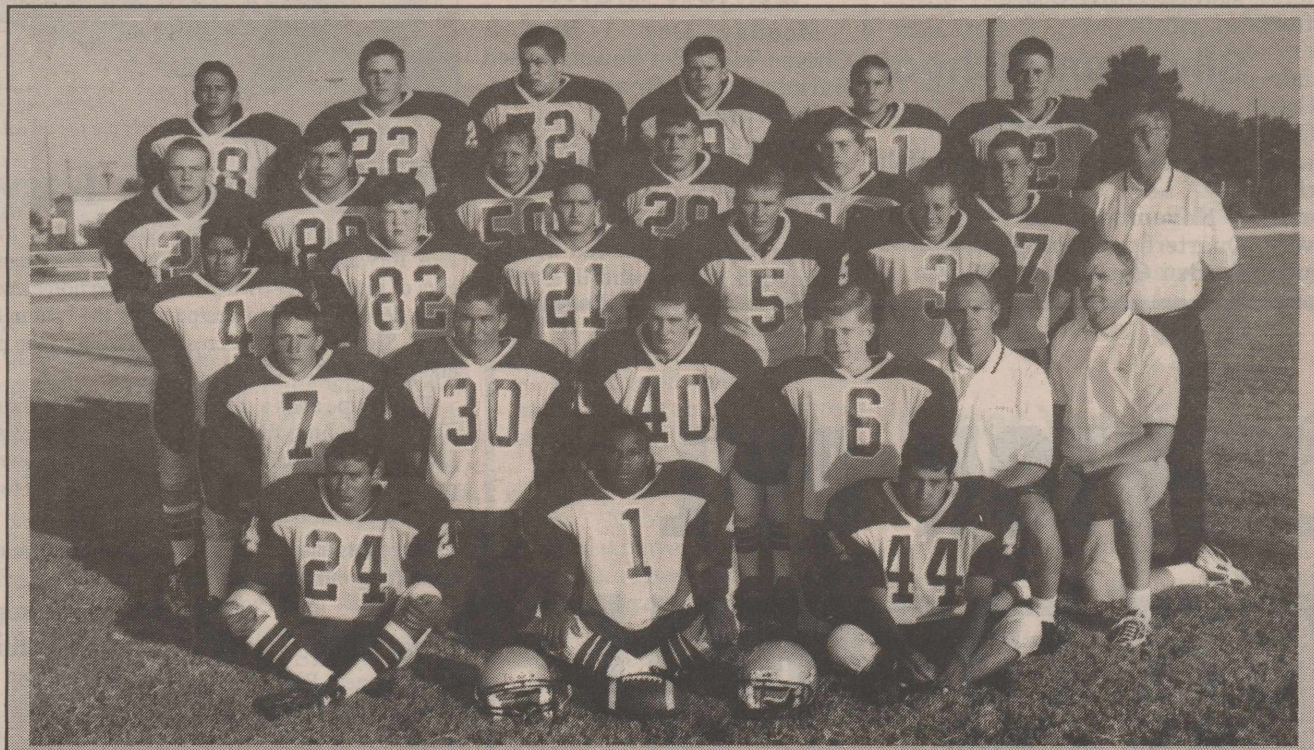
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## College/Career Fair Held Here

by Calley Payne  
County Extension Agent

Silverton School, Briscoe County Extension Executive Board and the Texas Agricultural Extension Service hosted a successful College/Career Fair on November 19 in the O. C. Rampley Fieldhouse. Valley and Silverton School students and their parents were able to learn about several of the options available for young people after high school.

Institutions attending the fair were American Commercial College, Texas Tech University College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, U. S. Marine Corps, Texas Army National Guard, West Texas A&M University, Clarendon College, South

Plains College, Lubbock Christian University, and New Mexico Military Institute.

Also featured was a financial aide session with Ronnie Barnes of the Panhandle Plains Higher Education Authority. Mr. Barnes held a drawing for two \$100 scholarships. Recipients were Terry Davis of Silverton High School and Jamie Wellman of Valley High School.

Refreshments were provided for the students by the Silverton Home Economics classes and for the representatives by the Extension Executive Board.

## Silverton School Activities

November 27-28--School Holiday

November 29 -- State Quarterfinal Football Playoff vs. Borden County at 2:00 p.m. in

Idalou

December 1--H.S. G/T Field Trip; JH at Groom, 4:00 p.m.

December 1-4--Book Fair  
December 2--Boys Ranch, here, 5:00 p.m.

December 3--H. S. Art Field Trip

December 4-5-6--Floydada Classic Tournament

December 6--Area FFA Leadership Contests

## Silverton School Lunch Menu

Monday, Dec. 1--Beef & Cheese Taco, Hot Sauce, Tossed Salad, Ranch Beans, Chips, Milk, Brownie

Tuesday, Dec. 2--Ham & Cheese on Bun, Salad, Potato Wedges, Milk, Sweet Roll

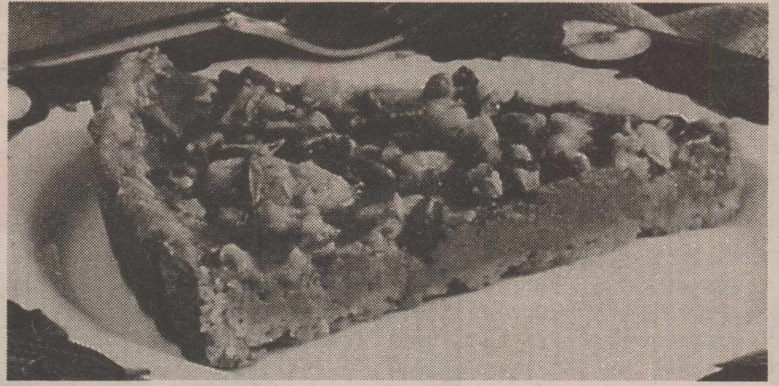
Wednesday, Dec. 3--Beef & Vegetable Soup, Toasted Cheese Sandwich, Cornbread or Crack-

ers, Milk, Fruit, Cookie

Thursday, Dec. 4--Beef Fajita, Hot Sauce, Salad, Corn, Crackers, Milk, Fruit

Friday, Dec. 5--Chili Dog, French Fries, Milk, Fruit and Jello

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## Extraordinarily Easy Pumpkin Pie

A "must have" on any Thanksgiving dinner menu is pumpkin pie. While we look forward to homemade pumpkin pie, many of us are intimidated by the idea of making our own pie crust. The home economists at Pioneer Flour Mills have developed a new recipe using the "pat in the pan" method of making pie crust. Simply press the crust mixture into the pie plate or tart pan for an easy and tasty crust.

This recipe adds a different taste twist to the traditional pumpkin pie recipe. The chewy, high-fiber crust of Hearty Harvest Pumpkin Pie combines old-fashioned oats, baking mix, butter, and brown sugar. It's pressed into a tart pan for a contemporary look. The tart is topped off with crunchy pecan streusel before baking.

Serve this easy, nontraditional pumpkin pie on Thanksgiving. You'll have a thankful group of family and friends!

### Hearty Harvest Pumpkin Pie

#### Crust

1 cup Pioneer Biscuit & Baking Mix  
1 cup old-fashioned oats  
1/2 cup (1 stick) butter or margarine, melted  
1/4 cup packed light brown sugar

#### Filling

1 can (15 oz.) pumpkin  
1 can (5 oz.) evaporated milk (2/3 cup)  
2/3 cup granulated sugar  
2 large eggs, beaten  
1 1/2 teaspoons pumpkin pie spice  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1/4 cup chopped pecans

Stir together crust ingredients; reserve 1/4 cup crumbs. Press remaining crumbs in bottom and up side of an 11-inch tart pan; set aside. Combine filling ingredients except pecans; pour into crust. Stir together reserved crumbs and pecans. Sprinkle over filling. Bake at 350° for 45 to 50 minutes or until knife inserted near center comes out clean. Serve with dollops of sour cream or whipped cream, if desired. Makes 8 servings.

For a copy of Pioneer Flour Mills' newest cookbook, **Southern Success Recipes**, send your name, address, and a check or money order for \$2.00 to: Pioneer Cookbook Offer #1, P.O. Box 311241, New Braunfels, TX 78131. Please make check payable to Pioneer Flour Mills. Visit our web site for exciting recipes, baking tips and more: [www.pioneermills.com](http://www.pioneermills.com)

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## Importance of Women In Agriculture To Be Highlighted by Program

Calley Payne  
County Extension Agent

A program to salute the importance of Panhandle area women in agriculture production has been scheduled as a special attraction of the 1998 Farm and Ranch Show. Sponsored by the Potter County Extension Family and Consumer Sciences Advisory Committee, the event will be held at the Texas A&M Center, 6500 Amarillo Boulevard West, beginning with a Christmas coffee at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, December 3.

Peggy Accord will begin the special event with a devotional entitled "Chanticleer's Christmas Story."

Cheri Sherley, Region XVI head start family literacy specialist and experienced Amarillo educator, will present a lively "Read a Book, Take a Nap" presentation which will emphasize that positive family values are taught through children's reading.

Lindia Getz, a member of the

host committee and co-owner of the Creative Needle, will coordinate a holiday fashion show produced by the Main Place in Amarillo.

The Panhandle Family of the Year will be announced. Over 100 area students have submitted 300-word essays in their own handwriting entitled, "Why My Family Should Be the Panhandle Family of the Year."

From the entries, the top six finalists will be selected by the committee chaired by Jane King, also a committee member and heard start parent coordinator.

King will make the winner's announcement and award the top prize, tickets for four on Southwest Airlines to Dallas and a family pass to Six Flags Over Texas. The winner also will receive an engraved silver tea service awarded by Custom Trophies.

The first runner-up receives an Amarillo get-a-way package which includes two nights at the Holiday Inn Holidome, four tickets to "Texas" with barbecue dinners, a family Cowboy Morning Breakfast, a family dinner at the Big Texan Steak Ranch, and other prizes for an estimated

value of \$500.00.

Additionally, each finalist receives an engraved silver Christmas ornament, and other prizes from Amarillo businesses.

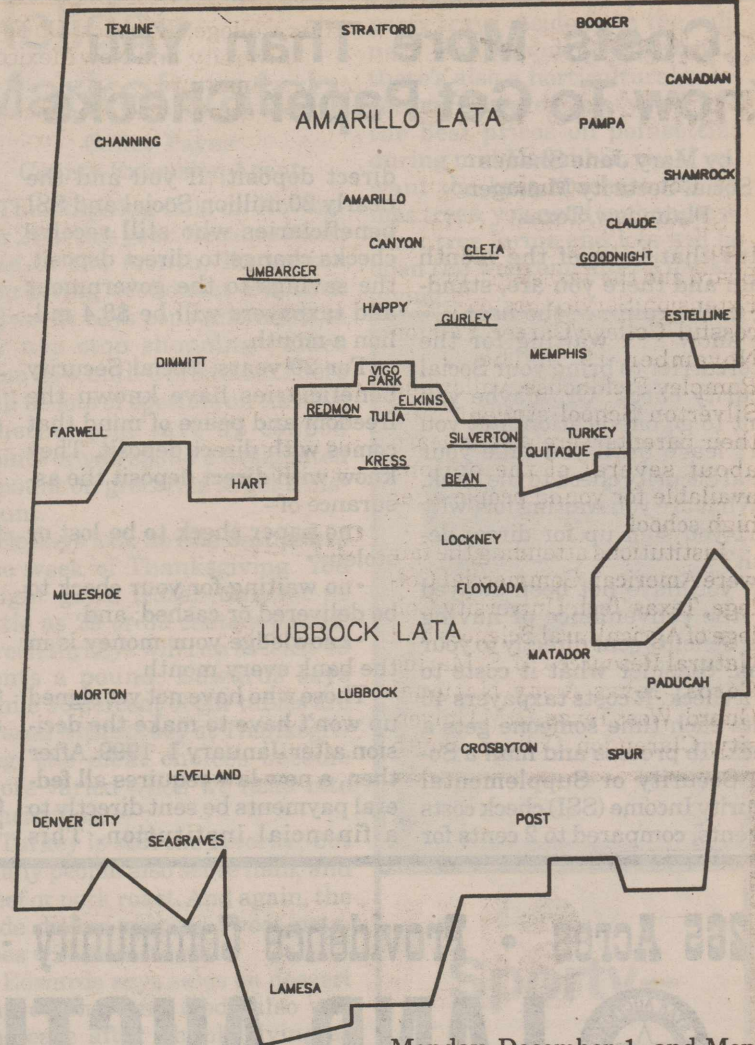
Cheryl Pinckard, Hartley County Extension Agent, will wrap up the morning session with a presentation entitled, "Mixing It Up For Christmas," which will include ideas for gifts from the heart. Door prizes will be given.

Co-sponsors include The Women's Council of the Amarillo Chamber and the Potter County Extension Family and Community Education Clubs.

Alby Peters, Potter County Extension Agent for family and consumer sciences, will be the emcee. Jeanne Bartlett, president of the Women's Council, will give the welcome.

Amarillo and area women are invited to the holiday event.

Educational programs conducted by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service serve people of all ages regardless of socio-economic levels, race, color, sex, religion, handicap or national origin.



### Back the Owls!

## New Test For Tenderness

Calley Payne  
County Extension Agent

Wouldn't it be great if you were guaranteed that the steak you bought would be tender?

A meat tenderness test being developed by Texas A&M researchers could lead to just such a promise. Currently, the meat industry tests tenderness in two ways. One is not very accurate and the other is expensive and destroys the cut of meat.

So Texas A&M researchers are working to develop a better method. Animal science professor Dr. Jimmy Keeton says they've devised a way to mimic what they call the first chew. Keeton likens it to putting a piece of meat in your mouth and beginning to bite down.

As the device compresses, the more easily it mashes down, the more tender it is. Keeton says there is still work to be done on the mathematical model, but he hopes the method will lead to consumers being more pleased with the meat they buy. It can help guarantee satisfaction while also offering feedback to producers so they learn which animals make the best eating.

### Go! Fight! Win!

## Silverton Moved To Amarillo LATA

The Silverton telephone exchange has been moved from the Amarillo lata to the Lubbock lata, effective November 1.

This means your toll calls that were on the Southwestern Bell pages of your bill will not be AT&T calls. Not all of your AT&T calls will be on the Southwestern Bell portion of the bill, but some of them will be.

If you have the Southwestern Bell calling plan 1+Saver it may not benefit you anymore. Be sure to check your bill to make sure you still need the calling plan. Everyone in the Silverton exchange has an AT&T calling plan; it will stay in effect on your account.

For questions or other information, please feel free to call the Mid-Plains Rural Telephone Cooperative office at 995-3572.

## Minor-in-Possession Class to be Offered

Clarendon College will offer December classes for youth that have been charged with alcohol possession, according to CC Coordinator of Counseling Services Michelle Wilson.

December Minor in Possession classes will be offered in Clarendon and Childress. Youth will be required to attend two three-hour sessions before receiving credit for the course.

The December MIP class for Clarendon is scheduled for Monday, December 1, and Monday, December 8, from 6:00 until 9:00 p.m., in room 101 of the CC Administration Building.

Childress MIP Classes will meet at Childress High School on

Monday, December 1, and Monday, December 15, from 6:00 until 9:00 p.m.

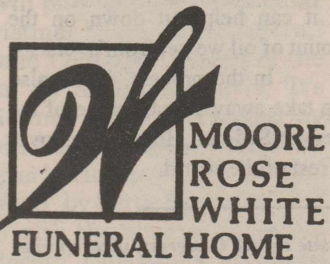
To enroll in one of Clarendon College's MIP Classes, individuals must call Clarendon College's Counseling Center at 806-874-3571 one week prior to the desired class date and request a class application. Cost of the class is \$40 and is payable at the first class meeting.

For more information about Clarendon College's MIP Classes, please call the CC Counseling Center from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at 806-874-3571.

## WEATHER

### NOVEMBER 24-HOUR READINGS

DAY	HIGH	LOW	PRECIP.
1	84	37	
2	65	40	
3	61	27	
4	64	27	
5	78	37	
6	65	31	
7	66	30	
8	71	31	
9	71	41	
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11	35	24	
12	46	25	.03
13	36	32	.35
14	44	30	.09
15	30	21	.13
16	32	15	
17	43	16	
18	55	27	
19	60	25	
20	66	28	
21	65	37	
22	56	31	
23	59	26	
24	65	33	
Total Nov. Precip.			.61
Normal Nov. Precip.			.71
Total Precip. Rec'd.			
Year to Date			29.03
Normal Precip. For Year to Date			20.53



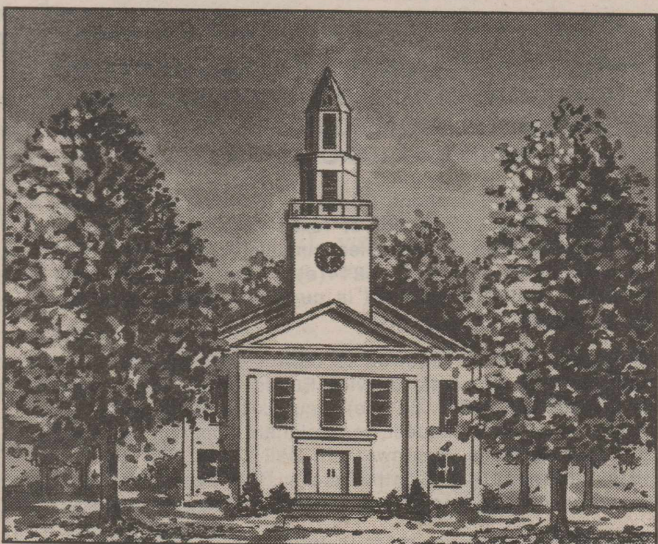
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# It Costs More Than You Know To Get Paper Checks

by Mary Jane Shanes  
Social Security Manager  
Plainview, Texas

It's that time of the month again and there you are, standing in the rain . . . the heat . . . the snow . . . waiting for the lettercarrier to bring your Social Security check. Or, maybe you want to go on vacation, but you can't leave until you take your Social Security check to the bank.

What are you waiting for--why don't you sign up for direct deposit?

If you have not been swayed by the convenience of having your benefits sent directly to your bank, consider what it costs to get a check. It costs taxpayers 40 cents each time someone gets a check. To process and mail a Social Security or Supplemental Security Income (SSI) check costs 42 cents, compared to 2 cents for

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Those who have not yet signed up won't have to make the decision after January 1, 1999. After then, a new law requires all federal payments be sent directly to a financial institution. This

means your benefits will be sent directly to your bank or another financial institution of your choice. Congress has decided that we should take advantage of the savings involved.

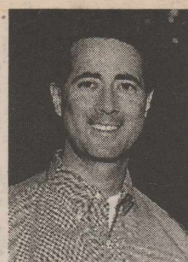
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The word "comedy" comes from the Greek word *komoidia*, which means "merrymaking."

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The word "dime" comes from the Latin word *decimus* meaning "tenth."



# ISSUE UPDATE

with  
**Mac Thornberry**

## Showdown with Iraq Reminds Us of Need to Reduce Dependence on Foreign Oil

With the whole world watching what happens in Iraq, the importance of reducing our dependence on foreign oil cannot be stressed enough.

As it stands now, our Nation imports more than half the oil we use every day. This translates into nearly nine million barrels of oil every day, and is more than two million barrels more than we imported in 1981.

Earlier this year, I introduced legislation that would help increase how much oil and gas we produce here at home. Called *The Inactive Well Recovery Act*, the bill would give oil and gas producers a federal income tax exemption for bringing inactive wells back on line. In addition to helping our economy, the bill would also cut down on the amount of oil we import from abroad.

Every barrel of oil we

produce here at home is one less barrel we have to buy overseas. It's also one less barrel we have to defend.

We've got to be prepared to hit Saddam Hussein and hit him hard. This means responding with force if he shoots at our planes, and making sure he doesn't terrorize the world with weapons of mass destruction. In the longer term, it also means taking steps to boost our production of oil and gas so we're less dependent on oil from the Middle East.

Energy independence is a critical part of our national security. It's also a part that's missing. *The Inactive Well Recovery Act* won't solve all of our problems in this area, but it can help cut down on the amount of oil we get from overseas.

In the process, it can also help take away at least some of the leverage Saddam Hussein has over the rest of the world.

For more information on this or any other issue before Congress, please write Mac Thornberry at 412 Cannon Building, Washington, DC 20515.

**Win, Owls!**

### NOTICE OF APPLICATION OF SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY FOR DESIGNATION AS AN ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER UNDER 47 U.S.C. §214(e)

Southwestern Bell Telephone Company has filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas ("PUC") for the purpose of being designated an eligible telecommunications carrier ("ETC") in accordance with 47 U.S.C. §214(e) by December 31, 1997. Southwestern Bell's application is currently being considered in Docket No. 18100.

Southwestern Bell is required to obtain ETC status in order to receive Federal Universal Service Funds ("FUSFs") beginning January 1, 1998. 47 U.S.C. §214(e) requires the PUC, either upon its own motion or upon request, to designate common carriers as ETCs for service areas. Southwestern Bell seeks ETC status for its entire service area. Southwestern Bell has requested a minimum waiver for one year of the requirement to deploy toll control.

Persons who wish to comment or intervene in this application should notify the Public Utility Commission of Texas by November 20, 1997. Requests for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326, or you may call the Public Utility Commission's Office of Customer Protection at (512) 936-7120 or (888) 782-8477. Hearing- and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the commission at (512) 936-7136, or use Relay Texas (800) 735-2989 to reach the commission's toll free number (888) 782-8477.

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**A WEEKLY SUMMARY OF COTTON MARKETING NEWS**

**For the Week Ending November 20, 1997**

An impressive export sales number and a better-than-expected consumption report were not enough to give positive direction to a meandering cotton market as December futures fell sharply this week due to liquidations ahead of first notice day on Friday.

Much of the trading activity this week was characterized by the rolling over of positions from December to March as the December first notice day loomed ahead. Earlier in the week, buying December and selling March appeared to be what held the market up and made the spreads narrower, and by the end of the week the market edged lower.

Even an excellent export sales figure did not tear market observers' attention away from the scenario created by the impending first notice day. The plunge in New York cotton futures last week resulted in brisk foreign business and a large weekly export sales number. USDA's export sales report for the week ended November 13 showed a net increase of 252,100 bales, considerably higher than the previous week's 148,600 bales, and the fifth largest export number of the season. China was the largest buyer of U. S. cotton with purchases totaling 51,900 bales. Turkey and Bangladesh followed with purchases of 31,700 and 21,100 bales respectively.

Despite currency devaluations which make U. S. cotton more expensive to import, Southeast Asia continues to buy cotton from the U. S. The key to consistent purchases may be a high demand for textile products manufactured in Asia and, subsequently, exported. Currency devaluations make those products cheaper for the U. S. to buy. "We're still buying textiles ravenously, and we're buying from Asia," one observer commented. "Very few Asian textile mills are shutting down because demand still is good for their products," he added.

Good U. S. sales to China are expected to continue in the near term. For now, China's current policy, which aims to lower large domestic cotton stocks and limit its imported cotton use, does not

appear to be cutting purchases of U. S. and other growths by Chinese mills. As China gets tougher in enforcing import limits, mills may have to reduce their purchases of U. S. cotton. Consequently, textile mills may be now attempting to buy as much as they can under current import licenses.

Meanwhile, domestic cotton consumption remains strong. U. S. textile mills in October used cotton on a seasonally-adjusted annual rate of 11.4 million bales, down slightly from a revised September figure of 11.5 million, the National Cotton Council (NCC) reported.

The figure reflects consistent usage with mills running at full capacity for the month. An NCC economist said retail sales in the early fall were not as high as many people had hoped for, but they should be better as the holidays approach. The increase in sales should help textile mills which have been busy preparing for the Christmas shopping season.

"It's an all-time high for October," an analyst said. "If sales are this healthy in the fall, there is a pretty good chance of really getting the consumption numbers up there," he added. Better usage in the last two months of 1997 would help raise total consumption for the season.

Sales were brisk in the spot cotton market as well. In the five trading days ended November 20, sales of Texas/Oklahoma cotton on Telcot totaled 53,055 bales, more than doubling the previous week's figure of 25,094 bales. Average daily prices received by producers on the electronic marketing system ranged from 62.48 to 63.10 cents per pound.

Although spot cotton sales on TELCOT have been considered moderate thus far, demand still is considered strong. In fact, business is expected to increase considerably in December as many in the market will be seeking cotton to fill export sales orders slated for delivery from December to February.

# Cotton News

from Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.

An administrative change by the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation (FCIC) in the way transitional yields (T-yields) are calculated will definitely impact growers on the Texas High Plains, according to Lubbock-based Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. (PCG).

FCIC proposes to change T-yields from a calculation based on a percentage (between 70-120%) of frozen 1985 Farm Service Agency (FSA) program yields. New T-yields will be calculated based on a 10-year county average yield per planted acre supplied by the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS).

The proposal is not without its faults, and changes are being sought for the future. One problem is the new calculation being based on yield per planted acre as opposed to yield per harvested acre. Like most changes to the Crop Insurance program, this one will have winners and losers in terms of the T-yield applied to a producer's actual production history (APH).

PCG and other cotton industry groups feel the use of yield per harvested acre is a much fairer number and reflects a more accurate depiction of producer yield potential than yields last updated

more than a decade ago.

Using an average yield per harvested acre would be more indicative of the current production capabilities of producers in a county. T-yields for all crops other than cotton are figured using yield per harvested acre.

FCIC appears to be moving toward fairer treatment of cotton in relation to other crops. This change is part of that process and will generally be considered beneficial to producers.

If current negotiations with FCIC work out, producers will be eligible to receive T-yields based on harvested acreage as soon as 1999. For 1998 efforts are underway to ease the transition from the old system to the new T-yield based on NASS numbers.

One option being discussed is allowing producers to choose either the new NASS-based T-yield in 1998 or the old FSA-based calculation. Also being discussed is allowing the new T-yield to be phased in over a period of years, avoiding drastic changes in a producer's APH database.

A producer's APH will still be subject to yield "cups" (no annual reduction larger than 10 percent) and "caps" (no annual increase greater than 20 percent) even with the incorporation of the new

10-year average county yields. Due to the Thanksgiving Holiday, "Cotton News" will not be published Friday, November 28.

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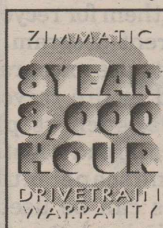
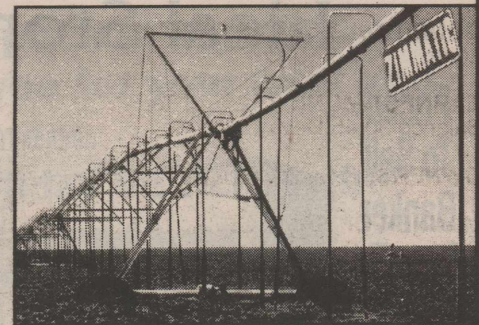
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# Social Security: Meeting The Challenge of Change

by Mary Jane Shanes  
Social Security Manager  
Plainview, Texas

Most people who fear for the future of Social Security do not understand how it is structured to meet the challenge of change. They do not realize that, in fact, the Social Security system is designed to change to meet changing conditions. The question that emerges is, can Social Security change to meet the challenges of the distant future and still be Social Security?

Social Security Commissioner Kenneth S. Apfel says: "We must dispel the notion that Social Security will not be there for future generations. Social Security will be there. The only question is what shape will it take. It has evolved over the decades to meet the needs of the citizenry. And the American people will decide, once again, what their Social Security program should entail."

Chief among these mechanisms of change is the board of trustees, which reviews the financial condition of the Social Security trust funds every year for 75 years into the future. If the income and outgo are not "actuarially balanced" during this period, it blows the whistle. The last Trustees Report indicated that the program is sufficiently financed to pay benefits through 2030.

Also important is the Advisory Board, a seven-member bipartisan group established in 1994 to advise the President, the Congress, and the Commissioner of Social Security on all aspects of

the Social Security system. Before this group was established, an Advisory Council was appointed periodically to perform this function.

Then there are the various oversight committees in the Congress. They review the correspondence from their constituents, the reports of the trustees and the advisory committees, and draft appropriate legislation designed to meet the need.

In addition, the annual cost-of-living increase assures that benefits keep up with the cost of living. And when benefits are figured, the earnings in a worker's Social Security record are upgraded to reflect increases in average wage levels over the working years.

Social Security has been changed many times since the original act provided retirement benefits to a limited number of workers in commerce and industry. Today the program is the nation's primary means of providing a continuing income to a family in which the worker has died, become disabled or has retired. Some nine out of 10 people age 65 and over are eligible to receive retirement benefits; four out of five workers under age 65 can receive monthly disability benefits if they are unable to work; and nine out of 10 families would receive survivors benefits if a worker dies. Medicare, too, meets a critical need for health care for

the elderly and disabled.

Perhaps the most recent example of the program's capacity for change is the 1983 amendments, which were designed to strengthen the financing of the program for future generations. A bipartisan commission made a number of changes that have resulted in a growing reserve in the trust funds to meet the needs of future generations. One important change increased the retirement age gradually from 65 to 67 by the year 2027.

Last year's trustees report indicates that the program will need additional financing in the year 2030 when the baby boomers flood the system. At that time there will be two workers for every beneficiary rather than the three to one ratio of today.

Will Social Security be up to meeting this new challenge? It is important to remember that the question is not whether the program will meet the need for new funding, but how. Whatever step is taken, you can be sure that the program will be there for you.

## Tire Recycling To Continue

The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) will end its scrap tire recycling program on December 31, 1997. The program was not continued by the legislature and so as of January 1, 1998, there will be no state recycling fee added to the purchase of each new tire. The current fee is \$2 for a new automobile tire, \$3.50 for a new truck tire and \$1 for each used tire. Beginning January 1, 1998, tire dealers may add a fee to the price of tires they sell to pay for the delivery of tires to a recycler or disposal facility. The amount of the fee is solely at the dealer's discretion and not regulated by the state.

Although state-mandated tire recycling will end, the TNRCC will retain authority over the disposal of used tires. Effective January 1, 1998, landfills may accept split, shredded or quartered tires. In recognition of a continuing problem, approximately \$9 million has been appropriated to the TNRCC for the cleanup of nearly 300 existing waste tire dumps.

Tire dumping is still illegal. To prevent unauthorized dumping, a registration and manifest system will continue to track used tires until they are recycled.

Because the recycling program will end and fees will be discontinued, there will be no state funds available to pay scrap tire transports and processors who have been picking up waste tires and delivering them for recycling under the current program. Local governments are encouraged to get involved in tire recycling for many uses, such as playground material, road construction, and landscape mulch. Shredded tires can be used as daily cover or in leachate collection systems in landfills.

Another recently developed use

for tire shreds is in on-site sewage facilities, or septic systems. Tire shreds can be used in place of gravel in the construction of lateral lines and leach fields, often at a lower cost.

Every day more and more used tires are recycled. In the past two years there has been a 50 percent increase in their use in landfills and a 64 percent jump in the use

of tire derived fuel. Over the past year the tire recycling rate in Texas was 94 percent.

In its five years of existence, the waste tire recycling program has eliminated more than 600 illegal tire dumps containing nearly 20 million used tires. In the first six months of 1997 more than 208 million pounds of scrap tire material were diverted to recycling markets.



### CAPITOL COMMENT

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



### RETHINKING OUR ROLE IN BOSNIA

Recent events in Bosnia highlight the fatal flaw in the Dayton Peace Accords that U.S.-led NATO troops are trying to enforce there.

We are attempting to recreate Bosnia in the multi-ethnic, multi-cultural image of the United States. As desirable as that may be, it ignores facts on the ground and the region's sad history.

We are trying to create conditions in Bosnia that will force disparate groups of people with long-standing animosities to live in homes 50 feet from one another. While many express concern over the Balkanization of America, I am far more concerned in the near term over efforts to Americanize the Balkans.

Resettling refugees prematurely and forcing a combination government on the various factions is rubbing salt into an open wound.

I visited Bosnia during the August Congressional recess, walking through the streets of Brcko just a week before the anti-NATO and anti-U.S. demonstrations there.

Based on my discussions with local officials and Muslim and Serb citizens of Brcko, as well as briefings I received from NATO leaders, I believe we are embarking on a questionable and quite dangerous course in Bosnia.

Our peacekeepers in Bosnia have been assigned a mission that is inherently not peaceful, repeating a major mistake we made in Somalia in 1993 and in Lebanon, where "mission creep" led to the devastating 1983 attack on our Marine barracks that killed 240 Americans. As we did in both those instances, we have chosen sides. This time it is among competing Serb factions.

In short, we have become partisan. We have inserted ourselves into a power struggle between two unsavory factions, just as we did in Somalia when we sent our troops after Somali warlord Mohammed Farah Aideed.

The administration's apparent decision to pick sides in the dispute between two Serb factions undermines our role as neutral enforcers of the Dayton Peace Agreement. With thousands of U.S. troops involved and the sides themselves refusing to abide by the agreement, conditions are ripe for the United States to be sucked into conflict. Choosing sides risks altering political and security conditions in such a way as to make it very difficult to achieve our peacekeeping objectives. Worse, it puts American troops in harm's way without a clear mission to perform.

It is not too late to re-examine our efforts in the Balkans. Based on our experiences since the Dayton accords were signed in 1995, it may be time to reconvene the parties and reconsider. It is time to acknowledge that our objectives of a stable Bosnia and the early withdrawal of American forces are in grave jeopardy. We should explore a policy that has a better chance to succeed and which incorporates an exit strategy.

It may well be that a partition of the region will lead to a more stable, peaceful co-existence.

But with an eye on the June, 1998 withdrawal date, President Clinton has recently emphasized the need to speed up the implementation of accords as written. When you're headed in the wrong direction, though, speeding up won't get you where you're trying to go.

We're going the wrong direction in Bosnia, and it's time to stop and look at the map before we find ourselves in territory we've visited before: Somalia or Lebanon. Let's not wait until the June deadline for the much-needed course correction. 9.26.97

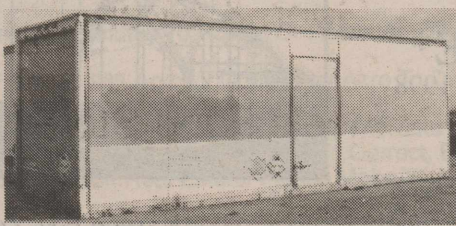
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# Thank God From Whom All Blessings Flow

When I was a child, a religious teacher of mine asked the students to name some Christian holidays. Christmas and Easter were immediately mentioned. When asked if there were any others, I stated Thanksgiving. Although the teacher politely told me that Thanksgiving was not a Christian holiday, it is a day that is set aside each year to thank God for all His many blessings. When we have received something from someone else it is only common courtesy to thank them. Likewise, thanking God for His many blessings should be a regular part of our daily prayer life. In the Bible, when Jesus cured the ten lepers, only one came back to thank Him. Perhaps, the nine who did not return to thank Jesus are a

reflection of how often we fail to recognize God's many blessings in our lives. The important thing to know is that we can never Thank God enough.



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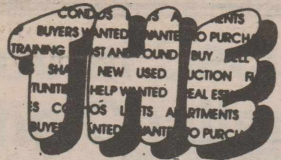
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