

All Around The Town

By Mary Ann Sarchet



Until this week, the flowers in my yard were blooming and looking prettier than they did through the long hot summer. I had geraniums, petunias, pansies, moss roses and honeysuckle blooming as recently as Monday, and the lantana looked like it was trying to begin blooming again. I noticed snapdragons and petunias in Karen Tiffin's yard.

This is amazing when you consider that it was a week into December. I've heard people talk about the year they picked and ate fresh tomatoes out of their yards at Christmas, but it's hard to recall many fall seasons any milder than this one has been.

The answer to Gary House's riddle was not a house. If you need help solving the riddle, you may call Maebelle Francis.

Jon Ivory returned home from a tour of duty in Korea last week, and was really exhausted after the 14-hour trip that took him through Japan. He will be here for several weeks and will report to a new base in Kentucky.

We received a letter from Clenda Arnold Morehouse in which she said she was glad that Nina is writing her column again.

She enclosed a clipping about her son, Frank Morehouse, who has been promoted to the position of executive vice-president of the Great Plains Natural Gas Company effective October 1, 1998. He joined Great Plains as vice-president of administration in December 1995. His new responsibilities will include accounting, regulatory affairs, gas supply, general administration, human resources, and an expanded role in operations.

Morehouse is a 20-year veteran of the natural gas industry and has worked for Northern Natural Gas Company, NSP Wisconsin, and an independent oil and gas broker/producer/exploration firm located in Tulsa, Oklahoma before joining Great Plains. He and his wife, Karen, have two children, Tyler and Shelby, and they are coaches of their children's baseball and soccer programs.

He is a board member of the Fergus Falls Chamber of Commerce and was a participant in the 1998 Area Leadership Program. The family enjoys all types of outdoor activities near their home in Havre, Montana.

Santa Letters Are Needed

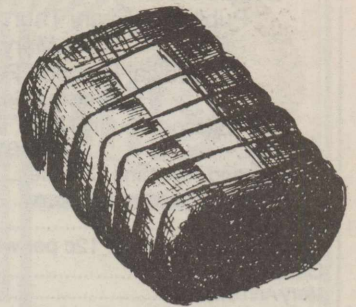
Don't forget that the boys and girls letters to Santa are needed for publication in the Christmas edition. You may mail them to Santa at the Post Office, or bring them to the News Office.



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Jeremy Holt is South Plains Six-Man Player of the Year

Jeremy Holt was named South Plains Six-Man Player of the Year by the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal last week. It is easy to be amazed by the statistics Holt compiled on the football field this season.

The senior runningback led area six-man schools in rushing (2,257 yards), receiving (33 catches) and scoring (345 points). Those numbers alone are enough to name Holt as The Player of the Year.

But it isn't the numbers Holt put up that impressed people the most. It was how hard he worked each game to achieve his success.

"I'll tell you what, before this season I wasn't really sold on Jeremy," said Danny James, head coach at District 3-A rival Three Way. "But he showed me a lot this season. He's not really a big back, but there's a lot of fight in that little dog."

And at Sands, Billy Barnett's Mustangs showed a lot of fight this season also--even after losing their first five games. Despite the 0-5 start, Sands won its final five games, including an upset of defending state champion Borden County, and captured the District 6-A championship.

Because of his team's dramatic turn-around, Barnett is The Avalanche-Journal's All South Plains Six-Man Coach of the Year.

But it didn't take Holt nearly as long to make his mark on the six-man landscape this season. He opened the year with a bang when he scored an amazing 10 touchdowns in a 75-28 rout of Wellman-Union. From then on, opposing defenses were forced to keep an eye on the elusive 5-foot-6, 165-pound runner.

"I went into each game knowing (opposing defenses) were going to come after me," Holt said. "But I'd just do my best each time."

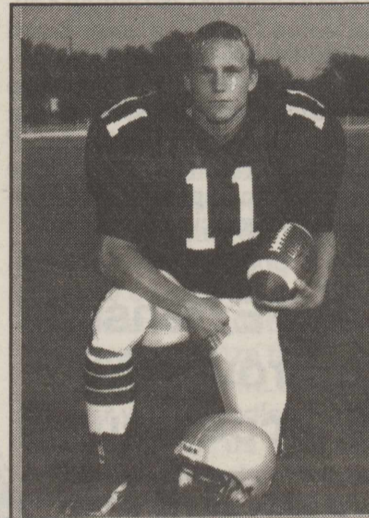
"I didn't expect to have this good of a season--but I was hoping for it. I was hoping to average more than 200 yards per game, but I didn't quite make it. But the thing is, we went out there and had fun."

Having fun and working hard must have been one and the same for Holt. Silverton Head Coach

Larry Mantle, a 28-year veteran of the sidelines, saw how special a player Holt was each day.

"Everything he does, he does full-speed," Mantle said. "He really deserves any honor--he's the best football player in six-man."

Other members of the South Plains elite team were Colt McCook, senior, Borden County, with an honorable mention going to Josh Morris, senior, Lazbuddie, quarterback; Marvin McCaul, sophomore, Three Way, with honorable mention going to Victor Cueto, Amherst senior, and Jeremy Webb, Wellman-Union senior, receiver; Seth Black, Lazbuddie senior, with honorable mention to Jeremy McFerrin, Cotton Center junior, receiver; Jonathan Kindle, Three Way senior, with honorable mention to Bryan Chrestman, Wellman-Union senior, tight end; Brandon Kidd, Jayton senior, with honorable mention to Stoney Burke, Highland senior, center; Casey Donald, Wilson senior, and Justin Sullivan, Whitharral senior, with honorable mention to Chris Morris, Lorraine senior, and Ryan Grant, Borden County senior, defensive linemen; Jeremy Harlan, Wellman-Union senior, and Fernando Baeza, Borden County senior, with honorable mention to Leon Lewis, Guthrie senior, and Jarrod Andrews, Meadow senior, linebackers; Matt Hood, Amherst senior, and Greg Landfried, Highland senior, with honorable mention to Kevin Allen, Jayton senior, and Ty Barton, Klondike senior, defensive backs; Zeb Land, Cotton Center senior, with honorable mention to Dusty Miller, Amherst senior, kicker; Colby Floyd, Sands junior, punter.



Jeremy Holt

Jeremy Holt also was named as a member of the Region I All-Regional Six-Man Football Team, along with Josh Morris, Lazbuddie senior, who was named quarterback; Justin Sullivan, Whitharral senior, defensive lineman. These were the only players from District 3-A to make the All-Regional team.

Students Taking Semester Tests December 17-18

Silverton students will be taking semester tests on Thursday and Friday, December 17-18.

On Thursday, December 17, tests will be given in the even period classes. School will dismiss and buses will run at 3:30 p.m.

Friday, December 18, tests will be in the odd period classes. School will be out and buses will run at 2:10 p.m.

BCAA To Sponsor Christmas Lighting Contest Here

Briscoe County Activities Association is sponsoring a Christmas lighting contest in Silverton.

Prizes will be given for first, second and third places.

Judging will be Tuesday, December 22, between 8:00 and 10:00 p.m.

Basketball This Week

Dec. 10-11-12--New Deal Varsity Tournament

Dec. 10-11-12--Tulia Junior Varsity Tournament

Dec. 14--Junior High at Patton Springs

Dec. 15--High School teams host Claude, 4:00 p.m.

Dec. 18--Floydada here, 4:00

BCAA To Have Family Night

Briscoe County Activities Association will have family night December 15 beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the showbarn in Silverton.

There will be games, and supper will be provided.

Everyone is invited.

Ross Hunter Receives Degree At University

Ross Hunter received the bachelor of science in kinesiology with honors in the commencement ceremony held at the Performing Arts Center, Bass Concert Hall on the campus of The University of Texas in Austin at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, December 5.

His grandmother, Carrie Dickerson, attended along with his parents and brother, Rhonda, David and Greg Hunter of Midland.

Santa To Be at First State Bank

Santa will be making a visit to Silverton and First State Bank on December 15 and 16, from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

Bring your children to the bank on one of these days if you would like for them to have an opportunity to visit with Santa.

News Office To Be Closed Rest Of This Week

The office of the Briscoe County News will be closed Thursday and Friday while the publishers are attending the New Deal Tournament and covering the games of the Owls and Lady Owls.

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Days Until Christmas

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Tax Collector Takes Part in A&M Seminar

Some 240 county tax assessor-collectors and their deputies from across the state went to College Station to participate in the 16th Annual Tax County Tax Assessor-Collectors' Continuing Education Seminar, which was held at the College Station Hilton Conference Center November 15-18 near the Texas A&M University campus.

Taking part was Betty Ann Stephens, tax assessor-collector in Briscoe County.

The training was conducted as a program of the V. G. Young Institute of County Government of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System, in cooperation with the Tax Assessor-Collectors' Association of Texas and the Office of Continuing Education of Texas

A&M University.

Mrs. Stephens said, "County tax assessor-collectors can prepare to meet future challenges and do a better job today by taking part in professional certification and successfully completing continuing education courses."

Those attending the November seminar received continuing education credit from Texas A&M's Office of Continuing Education and from the State Board of Tax Professional Examiners.

Discussions covered a wide range of timely topics, including: "Texas Taxes," "Open Meetings," "Preparing for the Legislative Session," and updates from various state agencies.

CRP Extension Approved For Briscoe County

The Briscoe County FSA Committee received authority to extend CRP grazing through February 28, 1999. Things to consider are:

(1) If you've been grazing CRP since July, you need to make sure that the grass has not been overgrazed or damaged (check with NCS about your plan). You should remember that if cover is destroyed, you will replace it at your

Obituaries

LINNIE ANDRUS

Services for Linnie Andrus, 75, of Kress were conducted at 10:00 a.m. Thursday at the First United Methodist Church in Kress with the Rev. Ron Kelley, pastor, officiating.

Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery in Tulia under Direction of Wood-Dunning Funeral Home of

own expense.

(2) You may apply to graze additional acres. The 25% payment reduction will apply and you will need a modified conservation plan from NRCS. Before you start grazing, you must make application in this office. The 25% payment reduction also must be paid up front; NRCS will not be able to offset from your 1999FY payment.

(3) If you have already applied for CRP grazing and have been grazing for some time, you don't need to reapply and no further payment reduction will be taken.

(4) The county committee has the authority to end CRP grazing before February 28, 1999 if conditions change enough that emergency grazing is no longer needed or warranted.

If you have any questions about the grazing extension, contact the NRCS office. Authorization has not yet been received to implement the Livestock Assistance Program.

WEATHER

DECEMBER 24-HOUR READINGS

DAY	HIGH	LOW	PRECIP
1	63	37	
2	62	35	
3	62	35	.02
4	55	35	.34
5	65	34	
6	67	43	
7	52	26	
8	38	20	.01
Total Dec. Precip.			.37
Normal Dec. Precip.			.68
Total Precip. Rec'd.			
Year to Date			22.07
Normal Precip. For Year to Date			21.22

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Olive of Petersburg visited Betty Olive Saturday.



The major league baseball pitcher with the most no-hit games in his career is Nolan Ryan, who threw seven no-hitters between 1973 and 1991. Second on the all-time list is Sandy Koufax, who threw four.

Plainview.

Mrs. Andrus died Tuesday, December 1, 1998, at her residence.

She was born January 20, 1923 in Hermleigh. She moved to Kress in 1929, and attended Center Plains School. She was graduated from Kress High School and Lippert's Business College. She was a farmer.

She was a life member of First United Methodist Church, where she taught a Sunday School class.

She married J. E. Andrus on February 12, 1941 in Hollis, Oklahoma.

Survivors include her husband; two sons, Charles E. Andrus of Tulia and Marlin L. Andrus of Kress; two sisters, Evelyn Kerby of Abilene and Irene Trotter of Amarillo; three grandchildren, including Lisa Schott of Silverton, and five great-grandchildren, including Nichole and Tanner Schott of Silverton.

T. V. McCURE

Services for T. V. McClure, 83, were conducted at 2:00 p.m. Saturday at First Baptist Church in Silverton, with the Rev. Edwin Norris officiating. Burial was in the Floydada Cemetery by Myers-Long Funerl Directors.

Mr. McClure died Wednesday, December 2.

He was a farmer and had owned and operated Pioneer Steak House in Plainview for many years. He was a member of First Baptist Church.

He married Earnestene in 1937. She died in 1953. He married Opal Brannon Hill in 1970 in Plainview.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Fay Paschal of Plainview; two sons, Garland McClure of Walnut Creek, California and Carroll McClure of Huntsville, Alabama; two stepsons, Walter Hill of Silverton and Freddy Hill of Canyon; a brother,

Weaver McClure of Kress; two sisters, Vera Crain of Childress and Connie Lee Tomme of Birmingham, Alabama; 12 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

The family requested memorials be to Hospice Hands in Lockney.

Pallbearers were R. D. Reynolds, Loyd Stephens, Neil King, Jeff Bull, Oford King, L. B. Ivory, James Edwards and Dwain Henderson.

Honorary pallbearers were Charlie Parker, Riley Ziegler, Gene Hunt and George Long.

ARLAS CAVETT

Services for Arlas O. Cavett, 73, of Andrews were conducted at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday at Calvary Baptist Church in Andrews with the Rev. Mike Henson, pastor, officiating.

Burial was in Andrews West Cemetery under direction of McNett Funeral Home.

Mr. Cavett died Monday, December 7, in Permian General Hospital.

He was born August 19, 1925, in Plainview. He married Joyce Hardin April 12, 1952 in Silverton. They moved to Andrews from Fort Worth in 1954. He was a senior administrative analyst with Amoco, retiring after 36 years. He was vice-president and director of the Andrews Savings and Loan. He served in the U. S. Navy Seabees during World War II. He was a member of Calvary Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife; three sons, Rodney Cavett of Carrollton, Barry Cavett of Andrews and Brett Cavett of Shallowater; a sister, Ouida Frost of Carrollton; and seven grandchildren. He was the brother-in-law of Buck Hardin of Silverton.

The family suggests memorials to the American Cancer Society or to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.



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Luke 2:11-14

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Merry Christmas and Thank You

To All Friends and Family in Silverton, Texas
As our family gathered at Thanksgiving and all through the year, we were reminded how much all of you have been a blessing, a friend, a neighbor, a helper and much more to Louise. She and her family want to acknowledge certain ones, but we would not like to leave anyone out.

Special thanks to Lucy McDaniel, Ruby and Joe McWaters, Lois and Riley Ziegler, Bonnie and Jerry Miller, Theta Rowell, Vici Baird, Dale McWaters, Bessie Bradford, Zeb and Lance Holt and the EMT group.

We wish you and your families the very best and a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.



Louise Vaughan
Helen and Clifford Youngquist
Ronald and Annette Vaughan



LOOKING BACK

through the files of the
Briscoe County News

December 15, 1988-Commissioners' Court meeting concludes with party as Commissioner Shafe Weaver, who has served Precinct 1 for the past 16 years, was presented a plaque in recognition of his service to Briscoe County... Josh Brooks won second place in the senior nutritious snacks and desserts division, and Patrick O'Neal placed second in the Junior II nutritious snacks and desserts division at the District 4-H Food Show in Lubbock Saturday. Ashleigh Wyatt received third place honors in the Junior II breads and cereals... Varsity Owls and Owlettes split a pair of games at Petersburg December 6... Three Silverton basketball players were named to the All-Tournament teams at the Springlake-Earth Tournament. Julie Graham represented the Owlettes on the elite team, and Kendal Minyard and Neal Edwards were chosen from the Owl team... Mrs. Eliza Kingery honored with party on 90th birthday...

December 14, 1978-Ginning is continuing at a rapid pace in spite of extreme cold and windy weather, and it is estimated that the cotton harvest is 40 to 45% finished in Briscoe County... Diana Lynn Wood of Seymour, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Strange and wife of Bill Wood, has been selected as one of the Outstanding Young Women of America for 1978... M. G. Moreland to retire as Briscoe County Judge on December 31... Snooks Baird recently underwent surgery at St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo... Lubbock County's Extension Agent for Agriculture since 1974, Kenneth D. Cook, has been promoted by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and will move to San Angelo. Cook has been named District Agricultural Agent for District 7 of the Extension Service...

December 19, 1968-Owls, Owlettes win second place trophies in Silverton Tournament... Owls and Owlettes who were All-Tournament players are Jereldene Weathered, Kathy Self, Evelyn Wood, Jimmy Walker, Thurman May and Bill Hutsell... Linda Scott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Grantham, was second runner-up in the Mr. Executive Sweetheart contest sponsored by Nu Tau Sigma sorority Friday night. Thirty-four girls competed for the title and were judged on personality, beauty and graceful movement... The Young Womens' Class of the First Baptist Church hosted a luncheon and baby shower honoring Mrs. Wayne Stephens and Mrs. Louis Edd Grabbe... Mrs. Stella Davis and Mrs. Mary Rampley were in Weatherford, Oklahoma, from Tuesday until Friday of last week to visit their new great-grandson,

Michael Wayne Rampley... **December 18, 1958-**Flake Montgomery, brother of Mrs. Tony Burson, died Sunday... Dr. W. A. Sedgwick undergoes surgery in Amarillo... H. E. Fowler is able to be out of hospital following surgery... Mrs. Jesse Grimland underwent surgery in a Plainview hospital Wednesday of last week... Mr. and Mrs. Robert McPherson have sold their home on South Braidfoot Street to Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Steele. The McPhersons have moved to the farm home southwest of town recently vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fisch... Mrs. M. L. Welch and Ronald were hosts at a family dinner and a Christmas tree Sunday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Henderson, Mrs. John Vaughan, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Welch and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Long and children were guests... Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Stodghill, Mary and Donna have recently visited Mr. and Mrs. Bill Edd Stodghill and family in Amarillo and Pfc. Joe Ray Stodghill who was enroute to California where he expected to leave soon for service in Hawaii... Mrs. D. O'Neal and Mrs. W. H. Martin were in Amarillo last Thursday... Mrs. Kenneth Bean, Mrs. Philip Smitherman and Mrs. J. K. Bean were in Lubbock Monday... Mrs. Lem Weaver spent a few days last week in the Tulia hospital...

December 9, 1948-Mrs. Lee Davenport, who has been in the Silverton Clinic for the past week with pneumonia, was carried home Wednesday afternoon... Milton Dudley, one of the members of the City Council, presented his resignation to the council at its last meeting and it was accepted... Among those who attended the Happy-Idalou football game were Mary Tom Bomar, Don Burson, Mona Brock, Jett Mason, LaRue Gilkeyson, Beffie Garvin, Joye Brown, Clayton Woods, Marian Arnold, Wayne Hamilton, Dorothy Heckman, Clifton Bearden, Wayne McMurtry, Richard Turner, Donald Rhea, Flute Hutsell, Hershell Harrison and Max O'Brian... Mrs. C. L. Cowart had the misfortune of falling at her home Monday night and dislocating her shoulder and probably cracking the bone... Norris Offield of Fort Jackson, South Carolina, visited last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Offield. He left Saturday for Camp Kilmer, New Jersey, where he will be stationed... Those enjoying dinner in the R. E. Stephens home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ledbetter and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Stephens and sons, Mr. Ed Vaughan and Eural, Mrs. Lottie Henderson and Dwain, Mr. and Mrs. Bud McMinn and Fayree, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Chappell... Slick Johnson and Bruce Wise of the JA Ranch and Miss Juanita

Edwards were visitors in the Dick Bomar home Friday night.

December 8, 1938-The cotton gin at South Plains, owned by Thornton and Bean, was burned to the ground Tuesday afternoon. The fire originated in the cotton house and it is thought that perhaps a match had fallen into one of the loads of cotton as it was dumped into the house. The gin was not in operation at the time of the fire... John B. Kitchens, 48-year-old farmer-stockman, died at his home southwest of Silverton Sunday after an illness of several months... A faulty flue started a fire in the Bridle Bit School near Turkey Wednesday. Practically all school (equipment was destroyed, as well as the school building itself)... A shower honoring Mrs. Clarence Anderson, formerly Miss Josephine Daniels, was given at the home of Mrs. O. T. Bundy Tuesday afternoon... Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Graham are the parents of a son born Tuesday night. The young man has been named William Thurman... Mr. Jim Baird and son, James, and Mrs. Sarah J. Baird spent Saturday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ned Baird... Miss Fern Murphy is driving a new 1939 Chevrolet coach...

June 12, 1925-Folly Theatre will present Zane Grey pictures in natural colors... Bert

Northcutt announces that he has sold an interest in his store to Robert Carouthers... Silverton Dry Goods announces big sale... Married man runs away with 16-year-old girl... J. H. Burson and family have taken up their summer residence on their ranch north of town. They have been living in Clarendon during the winter where the children attended school... Miss Trecia Bomar has accepted a place in the Rock Creek School for next year...

June 19, 1925-Injunction papers have been prepared and are expected to be filed soon restraining the operating of the new gin which is being built in the east part of town. E. E. Reynolds, R. N. Sheid and Bill Smith are the owners... Haylake votes to build modern school house at a cost of \$7,500... Silverton to have modern hospital... Earl Simpson announces that he has been awarded the exclusive agency for

the J. I. Case Threshing Machine Company in Briscoe County. He sold Case combines to Jesse and Buell Hill and R. L. Buchanan this week, delivering them Wednesday. He also reports the sale of a Case tractor... T. R. Whiteside has been appointed to fill the vacancy on the City Council made by the resignation of Bob Stevenson which took effect recently... Bland and Tony Burson have bought D. J. Northcutt's interest in the Burson Motor Company... Silverton has decided that she has no use for a fire station. There hasn't been but one fire here in thirty-three years so what's the use. If there should be another one, it would burn up everything in town whether or not, and some people say that it would be the best thing that ever happened to the town, so the city dads had the chance and rented out the fire station...

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Owls, Lady Owls Are Playing in New Deal Tourney This Weekend

Silverton's Owls and Lady Owls will be playing in a tournament at New Deal this weekend.

First games for the teams will be at 3:30 and 5:00 p.m. today (Thursday) with Trinity.

If the Silverton teams win, they will play at 12:30 and 2:00 p.m. Friday. If they lose, they will be playing at 9:00 a.m. (Lady Owls) and 5:00 p.m. (Owls).

The other teams in the tournament are Springlake-Earth, New Deal, Plains, Anton, Tahoka, Crosbyton and Bovina, in the boys division, and Plains, Anton, Tahoka, Crosbyton, Bovina and New Deal in the girls division.

The consolation games are at 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Saturday.

Third-place games are at 2:30 and 4:00 p.m. Saturday.

The championship games are at 5:30 and 7:00 p.m. Saturday.

Silverton's teams played in a tournament at Floydada last weekend after playing Clarendon on Tuesday night.

The Lady Owl junior varsity team opened the action with a 49-23 loss. The girls started slowly, and outscored Clarendon in the second quarter, but went on to drop the game.

Kurby Garvin led the scoring with nine points. Also adding points to the score were Brooke Garvin, six; Vicki Van Horn, four; Sharyl McMurtrey and Misti Matheus, two points each.

Lady Owl JV 3 16 19 23
Clarendon 12 23 34 49

The JV Owls also lost their game, 66-24. Daniel Rogers caged nine points to lead the team's of-

fense. Also scoring were Isaiah Ivory and Daniel Castillo, five points each; Issac Garcia, four, and Clint Ivory, one point.

Owl JV 8 11 17 24
Clarendon 24 36 52 66

The Lady Owls dropped their Tuesday night game 37-34. Lindsey Weaks led the scoring with 16 points. Also scoring were Dara Ramsey, nine; Taylor Griffin, four; Misty Wilkinson, three; Sara Kirchoffner, two points.

Lady Owls 10 20 23 34
Clarendon 7 25 29 37

The Owls won their game, 64-60.

Jared Holt led the offense with 18 points. Nathan Francis added 16 and Adrian Ramirez got 13. Also scoring were Jay Arnold, nine; Jeremy Holt, six; Andrew Francis, two points.

Owls 18 26 41 64
Clarendon 12 32 45 60

The varsity teams opened their appearance in the Floydada tournament with the Clarendon teams, with the Owls dropping their match 53-51 after one of the Bronchos dropped in a two-pointer just ahead of the buzzer, and the Lady Owls 61-33.

The scoring leaders for the Owls were Jared Holt, with 14 points, and Adrian Ramirez, with 10. Also scoring were Jeremy Holt, Nathan Francis and Jay Arnold, nine points each.

The Bronchos had a big third quarter performance, while the Owls returned from halftime looking a bit lethargic.

Owls 20 33 41 51
Clarendon 13 23 43 53

The Lady Owls were led by the

offensive efforts of Lindsey Weaks, who scored 13 points, and Misty Wilkinson, who dropped in 11 points. Also scoring were Taylor Griffin, four; Sara Kirchoffner, three; Dara Ramsey, who received a shoulder injury, two points.

Lady Owls 10 17 26 33
Clarendon 10 21 37 61

The Lady Owls dropped a close game to Spur in the tournament's second round, 46-43. They were playing without Dara Ramsey, who has been one of their top scorers this year.

Lindsey Weaks led the offense with 17 points, while Julie Weaver caged 10 points. Also scoring were Misty Wilkinson, nine; Sara Kirchoffner, three; Dara Johnston and Amanda Estes, two points each.

Lady Owls 8 21 30 43
Spur 9 14 28 46

The Owls won their game with Spur, 69-52. Jay Arnold led the scoring with a big 20-point effort, and Nathan Francis, 11, and Jared Holt, 10, also scored in double figures. Adding to the score were Jimmy Castillo, Jeremy Holt and Adrian Ramirez, six points each; Andrew Francis, four points.

Owls 14 35 48 69
Spur 20 26 41 52

Both teams played Kress on Saturday, with the Owls dropping a 59-48 decision and the Lady Owls winning 59-43.

Misty Wilkinson had the hot hands in the game with Kress, and burned the baskets with 21 points. Also scoring in double figures were Lindsey Weaks, 12; Sara Kirchoffner and Taylor Griffin, 11 points each. Rounding out the score were Dara Johnston and Amanda Estes, two points each, and Julie

Weaver, one point.
Lady Owls 16 25 36 59
Kress 11 24 34 43

The Owls kept their game close all the way, but weren't able to make up the difference. Nathan Francis led the scoring with 19 points, and Jared Holt added 17. Also scoring were Jay Arnold, six; Jimmy Castillo, Jeremy Holt and Adrian Ramirez, two points each.

Owls 12 19 38 48
Kress 7 19 40 59

Junior Varsity Owls, Lady Owls In Tournament

Silverton's Junior Varsity Owls and Lady Owls will be playing in a tournament in Tulia this weekend.

The opening game for both teams will be with Tulia at 10:30 and 11:50 a.m. today.

If they will, they will play at 6:30 and 7:50 p.m. Friday. If they lose, they will be playing at 3:50 and 5:10 p.m. Friday.

The championship games are at 6:00 and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, and the consolation finals games are at 12:00 and 1:30 p.m. Saturday.

Other teams in the tournament are Friona, Springlake-Earth, Nazareth, Tulia 9th, River Road, Hart, in the girls division, and Friona, Springlake-Earth, Boys Ranch, Tulia 9th, Bovina, Hart in the boys division.

Junior High Lady Owls Play in Hereford Tourney

Silverton's Junior High Lady Owls played in a tournament at Hereford last weekend.

The girls defeated Pampa 42-26, behind the 29-point scoring effort of Lauren Van Horn. Also scoring were Tarran Forbes, seven; Jenny Young, Bryn Mayfield and Lori Griffin, two points each.

In the second round, the Lady Owls lost to Hereford 50-26.

Once again, Lauren Van Horn led the scoring, this time with 17 points. Also scoring were Lori Griffin, three; Tarran Forbes, Bryn Mayfield and Kassie Strange, two points each.

Silverton School Lunch Menu

Monday, Dec. 14--Ham Slice, Macaroni & Cheese, Broccoli, Hot Rolls, Milk, Cherry Cobbler

Tuesday, Dec. 15--Chicken Fajitas, Salad, Ranch-style Beans, Chips, Milk, Rice Krispie Treat

Wednesday, Dec. 16--Spathetti, Salad, Corn, Garlic Bread, Milk, Brownie

Thursday, Dec. 17--Hamburger with Cheese, French Fries, Salad, Milk, Fruit

Friday, Dec. 18--Chili Dog, Baked Potato Wedges, Milk, Fruit and Jello

Lady Owls Defeat Claude

Silverton's Eighth Grade Lady Owls played Claude to a 47-10 victory at Claude Monday. The Seventh Grade Lady Owls also defeated their opponent, 22-20. Both the Owl teams lost their games.

The Seventh Grade Lady Owls opened the action with an exciting game. Crystal Walls led the scoring with 10 points, while Kelcy Simpson made six; Kathryn Myers, four, and Monica Garcia, two points.

7th Lady Owls 6 10 12 22
Claude 2 9 14 20

The Seventh Grade Owls dropped their game 63-13.

Scoring was by Caleb Francis, four; Martin Hernandez, three; Payton Estes, Ty Reed and Eric Minyard, two points each.

7th Owls 2 7 11 13
Claude 27 39 46 63

The 8th Grade Lady Owls were led by the offensive efforts of Lauren Van Horn, who dropped 19 points into the baskets, and Tarran Forbes, who lighted the board with 12 points. Also scoring were Bryn Mayfield, eight; Jenny Young and Lori Griffin, four points each.

8th Lady Owls 15 29 39 47
Claude 2 4 6 10

The Eighth Grade Owls completed the series with a 44-33 loss to Claude after having a very slow first quarter and being unable to make it up.

Red Ivory led the scoring with 16 points. Also scoring were Monty Wood, eight; Chase Comer, five; Dustin Hale and Adrian Cruz, two points each.

8th Owls 4 14 22 33
Claude 12 19 27 44

Next games for the Junior High teams will be Monday night, December 14, at Patton Springs. These two games will be the last until after the Christmas holiday.

Silverton School Activities

Thursday, Dec. 10--Board Meeting, 7:00; Book Fair, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

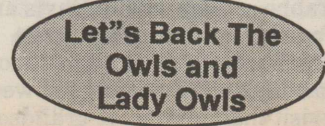
Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Dec. 10-11-12--New Deal Varsity Tournament; Tulia JV Tournament

Saturday, Dec. 12--ACT Test
Sunday, Dec. 13--Methodist Youth Baked Potato Dinner in school cafeteria

Monday, Dec. 14--Junior High at Patton Springs, 5:00

Tuesday, Claude, here, 4:00
Thursday, Dec. 17--Christmas Employee Dinner, 7:00 p.m.; Semester Tests, even periods; school dismisses and buses run at 3:30 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 18--Floydada, here, 4:00; end of semester; semester tests, odd periods; school dismisses and buses run at 2:10 p.m.



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60th Family Thanksgiving Dinner Is Served In the Monroe Home

It was quite an occasion! This Thanksgiving dinner was the 60th that Iwana Monroe has hosted in her home. Thirty-six members of the family were on hand to enjoy the traditional meal of turkey, dressing and all the trimmings. It was a special day of visiting, hugging, remembrances and lots of laughter.

According to Mrs. Monroe, things have changed a lot since that first Thanksgiving in 1938. Eight family members crowded around a small dining room table for that meal: her parents, Charles and Norma Simpson, Carver's father, J. W. Monroe; her twin brothers, Tom and Charles Simpson; her sister, Bettie Simpson; Carver and herself. The family certainly has grown! Mrs. Monroe and all three of her siblings were in attendance for the "Big 60".

Those who were part of that special day were Johnny and Bettie Emmett, John, Regina and Erin Emmett, Hal and Sandra Wilkerson, all of Tullia; Charles and Mildred Simpson, Tom and Orlie Simpson, Amarillo; Louie and Mary Strange, Dwain, Shana, McKinzey and Kresse Strange, Kress; Darrell Strange, Austin; David and Marsha Miller, Roscoe; Jeff, Iwana and Anastasia Radermaekers, Dallas; Arthur Radermaekers; Michael, Wendy and Kristen Hill, Jason and Kandy Davis, Slaton;



Little Miss Kristen Hill was one of the 36 people enjoying Thanksgiving Day in the home of her great-grandmother, Iwana Monroe.

Greg, Karen, Cortney and Taylor Hill, Midland; Donald and Carlye Fleming and Iwana Monroe, Silverton.

Friendship Quilters News & Notes

by Nina Martin

What makes a guy know he is old? It's when he is standing there and an era passes. Somebody has decided that school recess is unnecessary. Wow! Don't the powers that be realize that when a pressure cooker is capped an awful explosion is in the works. Letting off steam is not just an idle saying.

The Senior Citizens met Tuesday, December 2, for the monthly birthday party. Seventeen people honored Elsie Cornett and Aubrey Rowell. J. D. Nance and Fred Strange were the hosts. After refreshments, the group played "42".

I had a nice phone visit with Lois Cline. She is feeling better. Gene and Mona Hunt shared Thanksgiving lunch with her. Lois' daughter, Ruth Ann, and

granddaughter, Khaki, ate Sunday dinner with her. Khaki calls Lois "Granny".

Carrie Dickerson spent five days in Amarillo house sitting for Debbie and John Welch during Thanksgiving week. Carrie set up some neighborhood excitement when she turned on the Christmas lights and the breaker box set off the alarm system.

Carrie went to Midland to travel to Austin with Rhonda and David Hunter. Their son, Ross, was to graduate from The University of Texas. Carrie's grandchildren call her "Grandmother".

The Friendship Quilters met Thursday. Present were Sybil King, Ruby McWaters, Lallie Patton, Juanita Howard, Nadyne Childress, Wanda Strange, Bobbye Bean, Ann Norris, Joy Stodghill and Nelda Jasper. Bobbye brought her quilt, "Card Tricks," that she's working on at home.

Be sure to drive two miles south of the Rock Creek Cafe to see Mary Jane and J. E. Patton's Christmas display. Their grandchildren call them "Gran" and "Pa-Pa".

Happy Birthday-

December 10--Fay Perkins, Manuel Aguilar, Tim Mattheus, Brenda Harris

December 11--Dock Wallace, Kori Bailey

December 12--Tom Burson, Dora Storie, Lupe Hernandez

December 13--Debbie McGavock, Jason Turner, Mary Melendez

December 14--Mark Burk, Zoe Steele

December 15--Heather Kitchens, Scott Davis, Aaron Younger

December 16--Joe Castillo, Virgal Minyard, Stanley Gamble

Happy Anniversary-

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

December 15--Mr. and Mrs. Terry Bomar

December 16--Mr. and Mrs. Dayne Mayfield

I got an "A" in philosophy because I proved that my professor didn't exist.

—Judy Tenuta

New Arrivals

Brittany Smith, Tyler and Reba Garvin are proud to announce the birth of their baby brother, Dylan James Smith, born November 16, 1998 t 10:24 p.m. He weighed five pounds and 5.8 ounces and was 17 3/4 inches long at birth.

Parents are James (Yopie) and Tammy Smith.

Grandparents are Mabe Smith of Silverton; Dan and Nancy Villarreal of Oklaunion, Texas; Jim and Cathy Keyser of Tool, Texas.

*

Rev. Jess Craig and Donna Little of Moscow, Idaho, formerly of Silverton, are the parents of a daughter, Landry Kalyn, born Tuesday, November 9, in Moscow. The infant weighed eight pounds and was 20 inches long.

She has two sisters, Lauren, five, and Morgan, four.

Maternal grandmother is Carolyn Ewing of Matador, and paternal grandparents are Rev. Jess and Linda Little of Odessa. Paternal great-grandparents are Euddy and Ruth Buske of Kress.

The saving grace of humor: If you fail, at least you don't have anyone laughing at you.

—A. Whitney Brown

SILVERTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 1998

Data Control Codes	GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES		TOTALS (Memorandum Only)		
	100-199 General Fund	200-499 Special Revenue Funds	98 August 31, 1998	97 August 31, 1997	
REVENUES:					
5700	Local and Intermediate Sources	\$ 585,614	\$ 25,006	\$ 610,620	\$ 545,548
5800	State Program Revenues	1,342,283	113,540	1,455,823	1,320,716
5900	Federal Program Revenues	-	147,105	147,105	146,155
5020	Total Revenues	1,927,897	285,651	2,213,548	2,012,419
EXPENDITURES:					
Current:					
0010	Instruction and Instructional-Related Services	1,095,840	176,590	1,272,430	1,146,860
0020	Instructional and School Leadership	67,970	4,038	72,008	70,402
0030	Support Services - Student (Pupil)	203,535	114,442	317,977	211,449
0040	Administrative Support Services	197,671	-	197,671	179,229
0050	Support Services - Nonstudent Based	240,172	-	240,172	248,457
0080	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	250
0090	Intergovernmental Charges	-	14,139	14,139	16,095
6030	Total Expenditures	1,805,188	309,209	2,114,397	1,872,742
1100	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	122,709	(23,558)	99,151	139,677
7020	Other Resources	-	24,066	24,066	2,727
8030	Other (Uses)	(24,066)	-	(24,066)	(2,727)
1200	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues & Other Resources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Uses	98,643	508	99,151	139,677
0100	Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)	570,005	2,760	572,765	433,089
1300	Increase (Decrease) in Fund Balance	-	-	-	-
3000	Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	\$ 668,648	\$ 3,268	\$ 671,916	\$ 572,766

TELCOT[®] Report

A WEEKLY SUMMARY OF COTTON MARKETING NEWS

For the Week Ended December 3

Cotton futures prices remained mixed most of the week, but peaked higher Wednesday on high export expectations. Despite the fact that the expectations were realized, the market fell sharply lower Thursday.

According to USDA, the U. S. sold and shipped a large amount of cotton the last full week of November. Although prices that week were attractive, the strong figures also were partially due to merchants rushing to take advantage of the remaining payments under the Step 2 program which is expected to run out of funds in late December.

USDA reported net U. S. export sales of 1998-99 crop cotton were 119,500 bales for the week ended November 26. The new export number was considerably lower than the previous week's marketing year high of 260,000 bales but still was considered an impressive figure. According to the department, Mexico purchased the largest amount of U. S. cotton, followed by Canada and Taiwan.

The Cotlook A Index has remained supportive to cotton, holding steady at 55.90 cents for approximately 10 consecutive days. But, this week it did not seem to be a factor. The index, which reflects the cheapest world price quotes, actually rose by five points to 55.95 cents. The in-

crease was due to the Chinese quote, the third cheapest in the index, which rose by 25 points to 55.75 cents.

On the spot cotton scene, trading was active this week as sales of Texas/Oklahoma cotton on TELCOT almost doubled the previous week's total. In the five trading days ended December 3, sales of cotton on the TELCOT electronic marketing system totaled 62,375 bales, much higher than the previous week's 32,604 bale figure. Average daily prices received by producers on TELCOT ranged from 52.04 to 54.74 cents per pound during the week.

Meanwhile, the cotton harvest in Oklahoma and on the High and Rolling Plains of Texas is progressing nicely and soon will be complete if weather conditions continue to be optimum. USDA reported only 13 to 15 percent of the cotton in West Texas and southwestern Oklahoma remained to be harvested as of November 29. Favorable weather since then has likely reduced that number. Some rain has halted field work this week, but interruptions to harvesting will be brief.

Harvest weather in Texas and Oklahoma has been unusually good this year with limited rainfall and much warmer than usual temperatures. The only negative

Cotton News

from Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.

Plains Cotton Growers officials have been working diligently over the past two months to help shape the final phase of the disaster assistance package for 1998 and multiple year crop losses. Those efforts should be completed the week of December 7, with the expected announcement of the details of program's last phase.

PCG officials have been working to promote a set of basic principles to shape the crop loss as-

factor affecting the remaining crop has been the absence of a hard freeze. The freeze is needed to defoliate dryland cotton which was left in the field after last summer's drought severely reduced yields. Producers will not reduce their profit margins by spending additional funds on chemical defoliants for their drought-reduced crops. Instead, they will wait for Mother Nature. Unusually warm weather this autumn has prolonged the growing season which has helped preserve fiber quality, but it also has prolonged harvest delays in dryland fields.

The cotton outlook for next year already is positive as recent extensive rainfall in the Coastal Bend and Rio Grande Valley has been beneficial in restoring the sub-soil moisture for planting next season's crop. Moreover, private forecasts expect an increase in the region's cotton acreage in the 1999-2000 marketing year.

sistance program. It appears that PCG's input has not fallen on deaf ears as some details are beginning to surface about the last phase of the disaster program.

PCG has touted the need for several items including yield flexibility, crop insurance incentives and preferential treatment for producers who purchased crop insurance in an effort to protect themselves.

It appears that many of these concepts will be included in the program when it is announced.

PCG will be providing additional details as they become available in "Cotton News" and other media outlets.

It appears that the idea to allow generic certificates to be used to redeem loan cotton will not see the light of day.

Plains Cotton Growers officials have learned that the recommendation to the Secretary of Agriculture regarding the proposal will not be favorable and will essentially scuttle the proposal.

The idea to allow generic certificates to be used to redeem cotton from the loan was put forth to offset the problem of producers reaching the \$75,000 payment limit for Loan Deficiency Payments (LDP's) and marketing loan gains. Marketing loan gains would not count against a producer if loan cotton were to be redeemed with certificates.

Since the Adjusted World Price (AWP) has been below the upland cotton loan rate, producers have been able to receive LDP's or marketing loan gains for several weeks. Combined with LDP's from other crops many growers are closing in on the cut-off point.

Once reached, the grower is at a disadvantage because their cotton is no longer eligible for the LDP to offset lower offering prices or their cotton is not eligible to be redeemed at the AWP by potential buyers.

If a producer reaches the \$75,000 payment limitation for LDP's and marketing loan gains they are still able to put cotton in the loan in order to take advantage of free storage and carrying charges as long as the AWP stays below the loan rate.

Two public hearings have been scheduled to provide growers the opportunity to comment on proposed assessment rates for two more High Plains eradication Zones. Growers in the Northwest Plains Zone and the Southern High Plains/Caprock Zone will have the chance to make comments at hearings to be held December 14.

The Southern High Plains/Caprock Zone will have the chance to make comments at hearings to be held December 14.

The Northwest Plains Zone hearing will be held at 1:00 p.m.

Monday, December 14, at the Bailey County Coliseum in Muleshoe. The Northwest Plains Zone includes approximately 500,000 acres of cotton in five counties: Bailey, Castro, Deaf Smith, Lamb and Parmer.

Growers are encouraged to attend both of these meetings and to present testimony regarding the proposals being put forth by the respective zone advisory committees.

For more information contact Katie Dickey Stavinoha, Texas Department of Agriculture Special Assistant for Producer Relations at 512-463-7593.

Humor is the shortest distance between two people.

—Victor Borge

NOTICE

00020 - INVITATION FOR BIDS

Sealed proposals addressed to the Honorable John Bowman, Mayor, City of Silverton, P. O. Box 250, Silverton, Texas 79257-0250, will be received at the City Hall, 409 Broadway, Silverton, Texas until:

**6:30 p.m. Monday
December 14, 1998**

for the construction of approximately 110 blocks of street sealcoating entitled:

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At this time and place the proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud. Any bid received after closing time will be returned unopened.

Contract Documents, including Plans and Specifications, are on file and may be examined without charge in the offices of the City Secretary, City of Silverton, 409 Broadway, Silverton, Texas 79257, telephone (806) 823-2125, and the offices of Brandt Engineers, Inc., Consulting Engineers, 4537 Canyon Drive, Amarillo, Texas 79110, telephone (806) 353-7233. Contract documents, including plans and specifications may be procured from Brandt Engineers, Inc., at the above address as follows:

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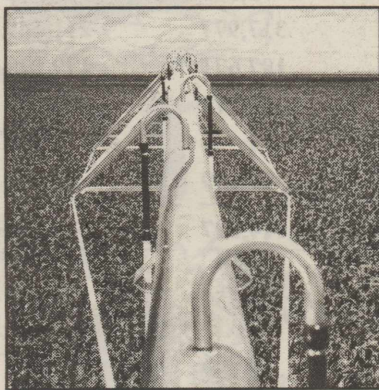
A cashier's check, certified check or acceptable bidder's bond, payable to the City of Silverton in an amount not less than five (5%) percent of the bid submitted, must accompany each bid as a guarantee that, if awarded the contract, the Bidder will, within fifteen (15) days after receipt of Notice of Award, enter into a contract and execute bonds on the forms provided in the Contract Documents.

Performance and Payment Bonds will be required.

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SUNDAY:

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TUESDAYS:

Baptist Women.....9:30 a.m.

WEDNESDAY:

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Bible Study/Prayer.....7:00 p.m.

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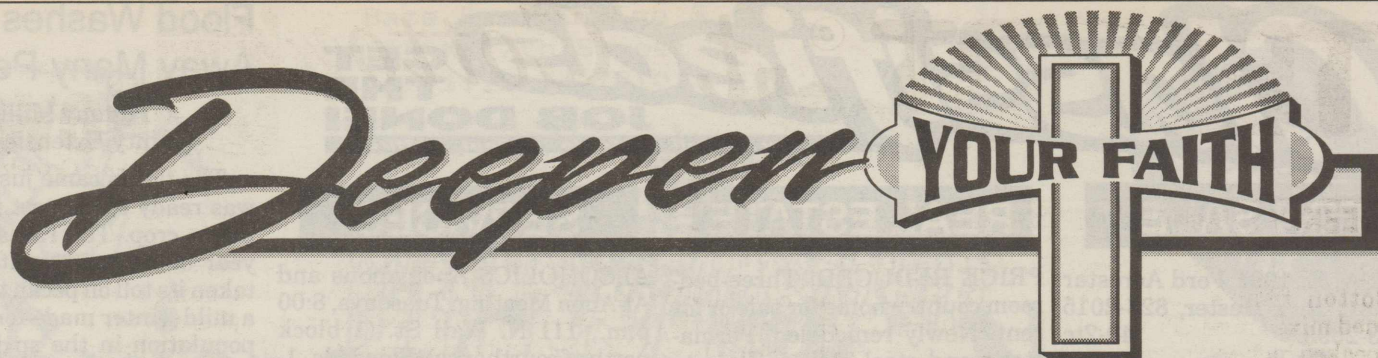
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Trusting & Accepting God's Ways



Recently, a friend of mine told me about his meeting with a financial adviser, and how for the first time he truly understood what he was being told. He felt he could trust and accept the advice because the financial adviser explained simply and at his level of understanding.

Our relationship with God should also be simple and easy to understand. We may not fully understand everything about our faith or why certain things happen to us in this world, but that's okay. We simply have to realize that God cares about us and that His ways are not always our ways. God's unending love and support for us is always there. In return, He asks us to love, trust, and accept Him as our Lord and Savior.

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Good News Bible Psalms 84:12

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Mary Kay Open House: Friday, December 11, 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. in the Pioneer Room at First State Bank. All in-stock items on sale. 50-1tc

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Madge Mae Brooks, Deceased, were issued on September 21, 1998, in Cause No. 1401, pending in the County Court of Briscoe County, Texas, to: Katherine Campellone and Roselyn Brooks.

The residence of the Independent Co-Administrators is 1220 Houston Circle, Tunica, Tunica County, Mississippi; the post office address is:

c/o William P. Smith
Attorney at Law
P. O. Box 59
Quitaque, Texas 79255
Telephone: 806-455-1166
Facsimile: 806-455-1298
By: William P. Smith
Attorney for the Estate
State Bar No.: 00792843
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CARD OF THANKS

Friends and relatives,
We wish to express our appreciation to every individual, prayer group and church that lifted us up in prayer and helped us during the loss of our husband, father, grandfather, and brother. We truly appreciate the food, flowers, cards, calls, visits, and most of all your prayers. Words can never express the gratitude in our hearts. We are grateful to the First Baptist Church for the meal. Special thanks to Ed Norris, David and Anita Beebe and Bobbye Bean. May God continue to bless each of you.

Opal McClure
Fay Paschal and family
Garland McClure and family
Carrol McClure and family
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Fred Hill and family
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Connie Lee Tomme

I would like to thank everyone for the kind words, flowers, cards and food at the loss of my grandmother. It's so nice to be part of such a close-knit community, who always seems to be there during difficult times.
Thanks again,
Lisa Schott

Flood Washes Away Many Pecans

Pammy Millican
County Extension Agent

The floods came just as Texas was ready to harvest its annual pecan crop. The rains cap off a year of extreme weather that's taken its toll on pecan trees. First a mild winter made for a big bug population in the spring. Texas pecan trees suffered heavy infestations of pecan nut casebearer. Then the summer drought placed more stress on Texas pecan trees.

Extension pecan agent Bill Ree says many did not survive the prolonged hot, dry conditions. Then in South Texas where trees had withstood the drought, flood waters in the fall washed away the fruit.

Cindy Wise with the Texas Pecan Growers Association estimates two million pounds of pecans lost along the Guadalupe, San Antonio and Colorado rivers. It was already an all-year for pecan production. Texas was expected to produce 40 million

pounds, down from 90 million last year. Now that number will drop even farther.

The good news is that last year's crop was so large that there are still supplies left. So here's Bill Ree's read on the situation in a nutshell: Prices will be higher for a lighter pecan crop that's quality he describes as variable.



When frightened, the hoopoe bird will flatten itself to the ground and play dead.

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