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# Briscoe County Boys Successful P-TA to Sponsor In Calf Scramble at Houston

Three Briscoe County boys were successful in the calf scramble held during the 1986 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo.

Warren Wayne Merrell, representing the Quitaque 4-H, Clay Schott, representing the Silverton 4-H, and Jamie Frizzell, representing the Silverton FFA, won \$600 calf purchase certificates in the calf scrambles on the



The time for the T-tests is here. All Texas teachers who want to maintain their "lifetime" teaching certificates will be subjected to testing "to determine their competency" as well as the drug testing. I can see the humiliation in this for our teachers.

Before I go further, I would like to say that I believe a teacher to be a professional educator. Not every person who stands before a classroom every day and receives a check from a school district at the end of each pay period is a teacher. This is not to say they are "dummies;" some are very intelligent people who are not able to relate to their students. Some are those who have failed at everything else and also are failing at teaching.

In Silverton, we are very fortunate to have a faculty composed of professional educators. I think they will breeze through the testing without problems other than the humiliation of having to go through it.

On the other hand, do you really believe that in Texas' largest cities there aren't incompetents and dopeheads teaching our citizens of tomorrow? In order to do something about these, it is necessary to put all through this battery.

What will be the final result?

Will some brilliant math and science teachers lose out because they are weak in composition and grammar skills? What about those who get really uptight over testing and have never done well on tests?

Then there are those who will score in the top percentile who couldn't really teach anyone anything.

When I was in school I saw all kinds, and you have, too. I'm just glad that in the Silverton Schools we don't have that problem.

Astrodome floor in Houston last week.

The event involves 28 youngsters chasing half as many calves. Each contestant must catch a calf, halter it, and drag it across the finish line to win. Each winner receives a \$600 purchase certificate to buy a registered beef or dairy heifer.

The winning youngsters are required to keep accurate records of their animals and to submit monthly progress reports to both the Houston Livestock Show and to their individual sponsors throughout the follow-

The calf caught by Merrell is sponsored by Leatherwood Painting; Schott's calf is sponsored by Huffmon, Davis & Novell, and Frizzell's calf is sponsored by Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bloodworth.

Merrell and Schott caught their calves in the scramble on February 24, and Frizzell caught his calf in the scramble on March

The entire project is supervised by the winner's vocational agriculture teacher or county extension agent.

The project officially ends when the winners bring the animals to the following year's Houston Livestock Show to participate in special show-ring competition.

With tremendous support from numerous sponsors, the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo has put more than 10,000 quality animals valued at more than \$2 million into the hands of Texas youth.

A research study conducted by two Stephen F. Austin State University professors reports that through the purchase of feed and supplies, as well as the purchase of calves from purebred herds, the calf scramble program generates more than half a million dollars in economic activity each year thoughout the

The 54-year-old Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo celebrated the Texas Sesquicentennial this year with more than 17,000 members and a yearly scholarship program commitment of \$1.8 million.

#### **News Office Closed** Thursday, Friday

The office of the Briscoe County News will be closed Thursday and Friday, March 6

## Sesquicentennial Poster, Essay Contest

The Silverton P-TA is sponsoring a poster/essay contest in honor of the Texas Sesquicentennial. All posters and essays will be displayed in the Courthouse during the County's Birthday Celebration in August. All entries need to be in each child's classroom by Monday, March 24.

Students may choose from a variety of materials and related topics. Some grade levels will be using class time for this project. learning more about their home state of Texas. Some students may work on their posters or essays at home. All are encouraged to use these weeks to join the state's birthday celebra-

Kindergarten through second grade students may make a poster using any materials they choose to represent an event in Texas history, a place in Texas, or a favorite characteristic of Texas or Texans.

Grades three through eight may make a poster or write an essay. Topics might include a historical place or event, an interview with a local pioneer, a book report, or a journal written from the viewpoint of an imaginary pioneer soldier or child.

Grades nine through twelve students are asked to enter essays on any related topic.

#### **Public Schools Week Program is Friday**

The public is invited to attend a program given by grades K-6 in the school auditorium Friday, March 7, at 2:00 p.m.

The students will be observing Public Schools Week, and honoring Texas on her 150th birthday.

Parents are invited to visit the classrooms of their children on this day.

#### **Coaches Needed** For Little Dribblers

More coaches are needed for Little Dribblers.

Anyone interested in coaching is asked to meet Tuesday, March 11, at 6:00 p.m. at the City Hall to pick teams.

Mrs. Pauline Turner returned home last week after spending five weeks with her son, Orville Baker Turner, and family at Odessa and with her daughter, Mrs. Chris (Paula) Emery, and family at Richardson.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Davidson have moved to Pampa.

# "Lost" Property List **Being Distributed**

An historic sesquicentennial treasure hunt awaits 150,000 Texans March 9, the date the State Treasury distributed the largest list of "lost" property ever published in the United

The list will contain the names of 150,000 persons with abandoned or "lost" accounts worth at least \$50, said State Treasurer Ann Richards. The entire list represents a total of \$117 million

in lost property.
"The list will be inserted in 17 major Texas newspapers with a circulation of almost three million. It will also be sent to all libraries and district clerks' offices as part of our continuing effort to reunite Texans with their lost property," Ms. Rich-

"For Texas history buffs, this list contains the names of three to four times as many Texans as were in the entire state 150 years ago," she said, "and the \$117 million in accounts is about 230

times larger than the cost of running the Republic in 1836.

The Briscoe County News previewed the list early this week, and found several Briscoe County names. Included from Silverton are Gladys B. Arnold, Tony Burson, Frances L. Crass, Theron T. Crass, Pauline O'Neal, Shear Delight and William Brooks Wristen.

Included from Quitaque are Jonathan or Nof Hewett and Billie J. Tibbets Wise.

In the past three years, the Texas Treasury has returned more than \$5.6 million to rightful owners. That represents 65

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#### No School For **Students Monday**

There will be no school for students Monday, March 10, because it is a teacher in-service

# **Conservation Reserve Program** Sign-up Underway Now

Landowners in Briscoe County need to be making a decision now on whether or not to participate in the new Conservation Reserve Program that is aimed at taking highly erodible cropland out of production.

Signup began March 3 and runs through March 14 at local ASCS offices, points out Dirk Aaron, county agent with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M Uni-

#### **Another Candidate Files For School Trustee Election**

Jack Graham has added his name to those who will be listed on the ballot for the Silverton Independent School District trustee election to be held April

The terms of Jimmy Burson, Cathey Weaks and Carolyn Lowrey are expiring this year. Mrs. Weaks and Mrs. Lowrey have filed for re-election. In addition, Gerald Smith has filed for a place on the ballot.

The deadline for filing was March 5.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Jarrett are in the process of moving to Ruidoso, New Mexico.

versity System.

To be eligible, land must be classified as highly erodible (as determined by the Soil Conservation Service). The landowner then must submit a bid noting how much he wants to receive from the government for taking the land out of production and putting it into permanent cover (trees and grass). This bid should be based on returns from expected crop production on the land. A worksheet to help landowners with this process is available at the county Extension office, says

Annual payments will be limit-See CONSERVATION— Continued on Page Two

#### **Juniors to Sponsor Volleyball Tourney**

The Silverton High School Junior Class will sponsor a volleyball tournament in Silverton March 13-14-15.

There will be divisions for men's, women's and mixed teams. Deadline for entering is noon March 12. Entry fee is \$25.00 per team.

For more information, call Jeannita at 847-2616 or the school office, 823-2476.

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# **OBITUARIES**

#### MARY ELLEN McCRACKEN

Funeral services for Mary Ellen McCracken, 78, were conducted Monday, February 24, at the First Baptist Church in Quitaque. The Rev. Jess Little, pastor, officiated.

Burial was in Resthaven Cemetery by Schooler-Gordon Funeral Directors of Quitaque.

Miss McCracken died Saturday, February 22, at Lubbock General Hospital.

Born in Gasoline, she was a



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long-time resident of Quitaque.

Survivors included a brother, Leon McCracken of Quitaque; a sister, Maudine Richmond of Turkey; several nephews and nieces, including Mrs. Alvie (Glenda) Francis of Silverton.

Pallbearers were Murry Morrison, Morris Wilson, John Francis, J. D. Nance, Alvie Francis and Odis Reagan.

#### FRANCIS LUCILLE DAVIS

Funeral services for Francis Lucille Davis, 53, were conducted at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday at the First Baptist Church in Silverton, with the Rev. Leo Cole of

Lubbock officiating.
Burial was in the Silverton Cemetery, with arrangements by Schooler-Gordon Funeral Direc-

Mrs. Davis died early Sunday at the Heritage Manor nursing home in Plainview where she had resided for the past several months. She had been in declining health for several years.

Born in Silverton February 10, 1933, she was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Mart Norris. She was a member of the First Baptist Church and was a life-time resident of Silverton.

She married Jack Davis on May 29, 1950 at the College Heights Baptist Church in Plainview, with her brother, Rev. Edwin Norris, performing the ceremony.

One of her hobbies was needlework, and many of her friends have samples of her beautiful embroidery.

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Survivors include her husband; two sons, Jackie Davis of Muleshoe and Gene Davis of Fritch; four brothers, Edwin Norris of Van Horn, Elvin Norris of Safford, Arizona, Leland Norris of Monahans and Butch Norris of Auburn, California; three sisters, Fern Parker of Silverton, Cindy Thomas and Ruby Lee, both of Hereford; and four grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Riley Zieg-ler, Ron Burchett, Gail Bullock, Freeman Tate, James Edwards and Walter Hill.

#### R. H. STODGHILL, JR.

R. H. Stodghill, jr., 65, of Birmingham, Alabama, died in a hospital there early Tuesday morning. Services were pending at presstime.

Mr. Stodghill had undergone heart surgery last month and additional surgery last week.

He was a former resident of Silverton and a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Stodghill, sr. He was the brother of Clifton Stodghill of Silverton.

#### "Lost" Property List **Being Distributed**

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percent of all money returned to Texans in the 25 years the state's Unclaimed Property Law has been on the books.

Collections under the law have also increased tremendously. The Richards Administration has collected 52 percent of all unclaimed property ever collected by the State of Texas.

About 87,000 of the names on the list come from abandoned savings and checking accounts, Ms. Richards said. Another 43,000 represent abandoned stocks, dividends, royalties, and unpaid wages. About 13,000 are abandoned life insurance policies and about 7,000 are abandoned safe deposit boxes.

Under state law, such accounts become abandoned if they are allowed to remain idle a certain length of time, usually three or five years, depending on the type of account.

If the company holding the account is unable to contact the owner, the account is reported to the State Treasury and later turned over to the state.

The state may use the funds for general state services and for education, but the owners or their heirs may file a claim at any time in the future for the money held by the state. The total amount of money turned over to the state since the law was passed in 1961 is now approaching \$90 million.

The list this year is about five times larger than the previous ist, published in 1984. The reason for this growth is that the Legislature revised the Unclaimed Property Law last year. shortening the dormancy period from seven years and closing loopholes that allowed some businesses not to report unclaim-

ed property.
"I hope all Texans will take the time to search through the Unclaimed Money Fund List,' Ms. Richards said. "While unclaimed funds do represent a significant non-tax revenue for the state, our first priority is to find the rightful owners." She urged people not only to look for their own name, but also the

names of friends and relatives.

Persons who believe they have money in the Unclaimed Money Fund should either write the Texas Treasury at P. O. Box 12608 Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 or call the Texas Treasury's toll-free number, 1-800-321-2274.

#### **Conservation Reserve Program Sign-up Underway Now**

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ed to \$50,000 per farmer. This is in addition to the \$50,000 limit on annual commodity program pay-

The government also will bear half the cost of establishing permanent cover and will share in any costs involved in maintaining the land in its conserved state during the 10-year contract period. Owners whose land is accepted into the program must have an approved conservation plan, Aaron points out.

Entire farms can be placed in the program, but no more than 25 percent of the cropland in any one county will be accepted into the conservation reserve unless determined otherwise by the Secretary of Agriculture. The Secretary also can use his discretion on a number of other matters regarding the program, which is aimed at taking some 825,000 acres of Texas cropland out of production this year. Nationally, five million acres are targeted for the program in 1986. Over the next five years about 10 percent of the nation's cropland -45 million acres-will be retired through this new program, with 11.5 million acres targeted

#### **Breedlove Receives Master Technician** Rating at Dallas

Guy Breedlove of Brady & Son Marine Service, has received the OMC Master Technician rating following a five-day advanced instruction course at the OMC Training Center in Dallas.

Breedlove successfully completed the course and passed the final exam with honors.

He also passed a 50-question Master Technician exam, representing a thorough review of his OMC product knowledge and servicing techniques.

Breedlove will be added to an OMC Master Technician list, which is considered an honor since fewer than 10 percent of all marine technicians achieve this level of competence.

Breedlove and his wife, Sheryl, and two children moved to Quitman from Tyler. They are former Silverton residents. He is the son of Mrs. M. F. Breedlove and is the son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin May, all of Silverton.

He has been employed by Brady & Son Marine Service since March 1985.

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February 19, 1976-John Marlin Jarnagin buried here Saturday ... Ben May buried at Tulia . . . Bud Couch was a patient at Central Plains Hospital in Plainview last week . . . Mr. and Mrs. Greg Culwell are parents of a son . Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Wayne Smith are parents of a son . . . Mrs. Dora Johnston honored on birthday anniversary . . . Laquita Bomar is bride of Jimmy Jack Fields . . . Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Hill and Sylvia hosted a Valentine party in their home Saturday night, February 14. Refreshments were served to Rev. and Mrs. Freddie Stice, Alvin and Fred, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Booth, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Gay, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Thompson, Mrs. Jimmy Thomas and Dary, Mr. and Mrs. Delvin Wadlow and Debbie, and the hosts, Mr. and Mrs. Hill and Sylvia . .

February 24, 1966—Ruth Ann Minyard was elected as the Silverton Lions Club Queen at the Ladies Night held last week. Mary Schott was first runner-up ... Local bank to close Saturdays . House Chevrolet All-Stars defeat TV-10 Tigers 74-36. Walter Bean is outstanding Young Farmer of the year . . . Vonnie Chyrel Cowart to wed Gary Pelfrey . . . Airman Emmett E. Tomlin has been selected for technical training at Sheppard Air Force Base, as a U. S. Air Force construction specialist . . . New Silverton Young Farmer officers are Guinn Fitzgerald, president; J. L. Bomar, vice president; Dwain Henderson, secretary-treasurer; Riley Harris, reporter and scrapbook chairman . . . "If I were a coach I wouldn't run the kids very much, just enough to keep them in good shape. I would rather coach football than any other sport. If I were a coach I wouldn't let one player on the team play where he wanted to just because he thinks he's good. I would like to have a winning team, but I realize that most coaches don't. I would also chew and not smoke. If I were a coach I would make them work out every day. If a player wasn't trying to do his best I would give him some good hard workouts or kick him off the team. I think coaching would be very much fun. Bill Strange".

February 23, 1956—Funeral services conducted for Nathan Grant Montague...C. L. Cowart honored on 90th birthday...A family dinner was enjoyed on Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Northcutt in observance of his 60th birthday anniversary... Silverton FHA Chapter sets out 120 rose bushes... Clifford Youngquist of the U. S. Navy has recently spent a

15-day leave here with his wife... Mrs. D. G. Shelton was a patient at Northwest Texas Hospital a few days last week... Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Hutsell and children have recently moved to Floydada where they operate a photography studio... Attending a family dinner in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Smith in Quitaque Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Thomas and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Thomas and Ellen, Grover Donald Thomas, Mrs. R. L. O. Riddell and

#### **BRISCOE COUNTY NEWS**

Alton, Mrs. M. E. Smith of Silverton; Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Smith and son and Mr. and Mrs. Odell Johnson and sons of Quitaque . . . Tommy Strange, who recently joined the Marines, has written his mother that he is now stationed at San Diego, California . . .

February 28, 1946—The home of Mrs. Bill Edwards was the scene of a quilting party Wednesday... Birthday party held for Waynelle McCutchen. Attending were Paula and Lawanda Reid, Barbara and Wilmar Shipman, Betty and Janette Brown, Carlye and Marsha Monroe, Rosa Lee, Janette and Tommie Mitchell, Myrna Sue Bingham, Frankie Lou Hunt, Charles Cowart, jr.,

Joe and Susan Anderson, Glenda Ray McWilliams, Joye Ann Mc-Cutchen, Mrs. Charles Cowart and baby, Mrs. Mitchell, Mrs. Paul Reid and the host, Mrs. Wayne McCutchen . . . Winona Francis, a junior at West Texas State, has been elected president of Delta Zeta Chi, a campus

sorority, for the spring semester

February 20, 1936—The Quitaque Panthers won from the Silverton Owls Wednesday night 29-19 to take the County Basketball Championship with straight wins. The Quitaque boys this year have had a little edge on the local basketeers, not in action nor in goal shooting, but in size. Silverton's lineup included Red-

in, McDaniel, Burson, D. Martin, G. Martin, Gregg and Gregg. The lineup for Quitaque was Eddleman, Hutchinson, Morrison, Lee, Kelly and Taylor . . . Farmers Co-op is being planned here . . . A 1934 Ford V-8 was found at the Caprock Sunday morning, overturned on the curve, by local officers. It was found to have been stolen from Henry Ford, who lives at Lockney . . . Mrs. Burson and Mrs. Crawford entertain Floral Club . . . Little Junis Mae Mercer is on the sick list but is better at this writing . . . Mrs. Bob Dickerson is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Alvie Mayfield, at Plainview this week . . . Mr. Ernest Strange and Miss Ollie Rowell were issued a marriage

license Saturday . . .

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ...

March 6—Mary John Harris,
Nannie Bomar
March 8—Kerry Baird
March 9—Jace Francis
March 10—Randall Eddleman,
Tish Whitfill, Juannah Woods
March 11—Linda Jarnagin,
John Kevin Law, Ruby Brannon
March 12—Stephanie Ramirez,
LaVerne Long, Brett Gill, Dennis

Farley, Marcy Auston

Although the name hippopotamus means "river horse", this animal is really related to the pig.



### Tree Planting Ceremonies Observe State's 150th Birthday

Sunday afternoon's sesquicentennial tree planting ceremonies in Briscoe County brought to mind thoughts of Texas' heroes and their valiant deeds. One hundred fifty years ago men and their families gave their lives for a dream which has evolved into the present-day lifestyle.

Texas' fight for independence with its fierce battles was not a racial war; it was a firm, strong struggle against the tyranny of Mexico. One company in Sam Houston's army was composed entirely of native Texans, many of whom spoke no English and all of whom had Latin names. William Barrett Travis, Jim Bowie, Davey Crockett, Sam Houston, Deaf Smith, Andrew Briscoe, Stephen F. Austin and other "founders of Texas" were not native Texans; they came from elsewhere but were leaders and heroes of Texas. The hardships and the laughter, the battles and the victories, the bitterness and the loving, along with the prayers of penitence, thanksgiving and praise have blended to become the bright star and magnificent wonder of Texas' present-day mode of life with global recognition and thoughtful and kind neighborliness so firmly rooted in its heritage. The culture of the state's birthright was commemorated with two tree planting ceremonies.

The 2:00 p.m. program at the Quitaque Community Center began with the invocation by James Brunson. An honor guard, composed of Penny Marrs, Heather Gray, Jay Gray and Julie Ross, directed by Jimmy Davidson,

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Wrangler 935 Denims

presented the colors, raised the flags and led the pledge of allegiance to the American flag and the salute to the Texas flag. Mayor Jake Merrell welcomed those present and Ralph McCormick sang "Texas Our Texas." Bengie Hughes recited the poem, "Trees," by Joyce Kilmer.

Judge Fred Mercer expressed thanks to the early-day Texans and especially to Andrew Briscoe for whom this county is named. He dedicated a Heritage live oak tree to the Texas founding fathers and the Texas sesquicentennial as James Brunson and Jake Merrell set it in place for planting on the south lawn. Valley Grade School pupils signed their names and grades on post cards attached to 200 colorful helium-filled balloons and the "lift-off" was signaled with a happy shout of "Happy Birthday, Texas!" Everyone joined in the singing of "The Eyes of

At 4:00 p.m. the dedication of a Shumard red oak was held on the Briscoe County Courthouse lawn in Silverton. John Crowell gave the invocation and led the pledge to the American flag and the salute to the Texas flag. The welcome and dedication were given by Judge Fred Mercer, with John Crowell and Mike Delano planting the tree on the north lawn.

The two sesquicentennial oak seedlings were provided by the Texas Forest Service.

Genesis Eight, a vocal group from the Rock Creek Church of Christ, sang "America the Beautiful." This was followed by Rev. Lanny Wheeler reciting "Trees"

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by Joyce Kilmer. Those attending read "What Trees Teach Us" by Helen C. Hoyt and "Texas Our Texas," with words by Gladys Yoakum Wright and William J. Marsh.

The group joined in the singing of "America," led by the Genesis Eight singers, and Rev. Wheeler gave the benediction.

This was the first of several sesquicentennial activities planned in Briscoe County.

#### Monday is T-Day For Texas Teachers

Monday, March 10, will be statewide T-Day for Texas teachers and a school holiday for their students.

Twenty-five Silverton teachers and administrators will be taking the TECAT (Texas Examination of Current Administrators and Teachers) test in the school library beginning at 12:00 noon.

A test administrator, one of 840 specially trained administrators assigned to handle the testing in Texas, will be here from West Texas State University.

The TECAT tests are being administered here and will be graded by Research Triangle Institute in North Carolina.

TECAT will consist of seven tests, and will require three hours and fifteen minutes. Testing is on various aspects of English grammar and composition, and one heavily-weighted test requires a 200-word composition or "writing sample" to be prepared from a choice of two subjects. The entire test consists of approximately 85 questions, including multiple choice, true and false, and essay questions.

The areas to be tested include reading, writing and punctuation. One section will test abilities in reading comprehension. Questions will be asked concerning main ideas, conclusions, facts and opinions.

Another section poses questions pertaining to grammar, punctuation, vocabulary, spelling and word usage.

A third section tests the writing abilities of teachers and administrators—this portion to be graded on a scale of 1 to 3 with a "2" being acceptable provided scores on the other two sections are acceptable.

A 75 percentile over-all test score is required for "passing." Results of the test scores will be returned directly to the teacher and administrators by April 15. If any have not passed the test, the exam will be offered again on June 15, with results of the second exam to be returned by August 1

Schools will be notified of the results after all teachers and administrators have had two opportunities to pass.

Failure to pass the test can result in revocation of teaching certificates. The State Board of Education is predicting a five percent failure rate.

The TECAT tests are being given simultaneously in all 254 Texas counties, and all teachers are required to take the tests in the counties in which they teach.

"The History of Little Goody Two-Shoes," published in 1766, is considered the earliest children's fiction.

#### News From The Ag Shop

As you know, last week we were in Houston, Texas at the livestock show and rodeo. What a place! Houston is a city of somewhere around four to six million people in the metroplex, and they're all on the freeway.

Our FFA Chapter did have some outstanding accomplishments at this year's Houston Show. Kristy Fogerson, Jamie Frizzell, Clay Schott, Jeannita Stephens and Robbie McWaters all participated in the show. Jamie was entered in the calf scramble in which he did catch a calf. He will receive a \$600.00 certificate to purchase a registered beef heifer. Clay, Kristy and Robbie placed their barrows in the premium sale and will receive approximately \$1.50 per pound for their animals.

Congratulations to the Briscoe County 4-H Clubs for their accomplishments at the Houston Livestock Show.

I would like to make note of the fact that there were three students from Briscoe County entered in this year's calf scramble at the Houston Show. Take note: all three caught calves.

I would like to thank the parents and friends for their hard work and the support that they showed to our FFA show program.

—Stan Fogerson

# 4-H'ers Working on Clothing Projects

Twenty-seven 4-H'ers are working on their clothing projects in preparation for the County Fashion Show set for March 25.

Leaders helping with this year's project groups are Gail Wyatt, Ramona Martin and Marsha Brunson, Junior 1; Janinne Brooks, Donna Francis and Michelle Francis, Junior 2; Margie Pinkerton, Valley; and Lynda Fogerson, Junior 2 and Senior.

The groups will attend a district-wide "To Make the Best Better Grooming Clinic" in Lubbock Sunday afternoon.

# Immunization Clinic To Be Held Here

An immunization clinic offering vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases will be held from 9:00 until 11:00 a.m. Friday, March 21, in the Silverton Elementary School.

Vaccines will be for protection against polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis).

Adults and children may receive the immunization without charge. The clinic is sponsored by the Texas Department of Health.

Michael and Christopher Lahoud of Fort Worth spent last week with their great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Nance.



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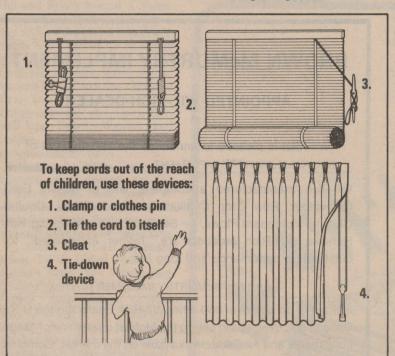
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FROM THE U.S. CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20207

February 1986

Under laws administered by CPSC, an estimated 325 million potentially hazardous products have been called back from the marketplace and consumers since 1973 (when CPSC was created). Most of these were voluntarily recalled by manufacturers who established programs to repair or replace the products, or to refund the purchase price.

## Parents Warned About the Danger of Strangulation if Children Become Entangled in Window Blind or Drapery Cords



The Consumer Product Safety Commission and the American Window Covering Manufacturers Association (AWCMA) are concerned about accidental death or injury to infants and young children who become entangled in pull cords for window coverings. A 1981 Commission staff report about accidental strangulations of children under five years of age found that window covering cords were identified as one of the products most frequently associated with child strangulations. In the last four years, the Commission has investigated three deaths and received reports of more than 32 other deaths in which children between the ages of seven months and four years strangled on these cords. Most of the children were under two years of age and were in cribs which had been placed near window covering pull cords. Other victims were children who were not in cribs, but who were playing with the cord. Children may find the cord hanging near the floor, or they may reach the cord by climbing on furniture placed near the cord. These accidents can and have occurred when a child is alone in a room for only a short time.

The Commission and the AWCMA urge parents to keep cords out of the reach of young children by tying or hanging the cord at or near the top of window coverings. Remember that cribs and furniture placed near windows give children additional height to reach the cords. Some ways to secure the cords

- Clip the cord to itself or to the window covering with a clamping device, such as a clothes pin or cord clip.
- Wrap or tie the cord to itself.
- Wrap the cord around a cleat securely mounted near the top of the window covering.
- Securely install a tie-down device (this may be useful when a long looped cord is necessary).

The devices mentioned above are available from hardware stores or your window covering dealer. In addition to these suggestions, it is also recommended that when you install window coverings, adjust the cords to their shortest length possible, and when you order new window coverings specify that you want a "short cord".

To report any potential product-related hazards, consumers should call the CPSC Hotline at 800-638-CPSC. The teletype-writer number for the hearing-impaired is 800-638-8270.

Johann Sebastian Bach had 20 children.



Susan B. Anthony, the great feminist of the 19th century, was fined \$100 in 1872 for attempting to vote in the presidential election.

#### New Customer Service Survey Implemented

General Telephone's Memphis Operations Manager Jerry West announced the implementation of a new customer service survey in Quitaque and Turkey.

The new survey will be used to assist local management in continuing to improve customer service. One management measurement for quality of service in the Company is the number of service calls the Company received per 100 telephone lines. In the past year this count has dropped drastically. Reflecting on this marked improvement, West stated, "Most of the credit goes to the dedication of our employee group to provide better customer service coupled with a tremendous service improvement program in all GTE exchanges in the Panhandle area of Texas. We want to stay on top of our customers' ever-changing needs. One way to do this, and at the same time provide a vehicle for customer comments, is through the Customer Service Question-

"The mailing began last month

and has been very successful and helpful to us in identifying not only potential service concerns but also positive contacts. The return rate has been very good, averaging 20% returned with a very low percentage of negative comments on those returned. Although it is generally understood that a "no return" questionnaire indicates the customer was satisfied, we would like to encourage customers to actively participate by filling out the short questionnaire and returning it as quickly as possible. We've found that written comment forms are one of the most favorable measurement tools available to provide us with the customers' actual viewpoint,"

"The survey, which originated in Dallas, was found to be quite successful in measuring quality of service, repair, and service installation. The postcard is postage paid with a short selection of yes/no responses aimed at isolating positive or negative feedback with comment space allowing the customer direct input. The Customer Survey will help us modify our present

West explained.

# Earl Jarretts Have Twin Sons

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Jarrett of Lubbock are parents of twin sons born February 25 at Lubbock General Hospital.

Jed Williams weighed four pounds six and one-half ounces, and John Ramson weighed four pounds, seven and one-fourth ounces.

The Jarretts are also parents of another son, Jay Earl, who is 4½ years old.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Claude Jarrett of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. Leatherwood of Segoville. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius of Crosbyton, Mr. and Mrs. Cotton Leatherwood of McAdoo, and Mr. and Mrs. Wade Steele of Silverton. The great-grandfather is John Stidham of Crosbyton.

service as needed and help determine future service needs," West added.

"The customer is number one to us and we want to have as many avenues open as possible for communication.

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#### **Panhandle Express** To Roll Into **Briscoe County**

Briscoe County residents and businesses can now receive halfday delivery service from Amarillo to anywhere in the Panhandle region, thanks to a new courier service which begins rolling next

Operating out of Amarillo, Panhandle Express will use a fleet of more than 15 vehicles to provide its exclusive service throughout the region.

By contacting Panhandle Express before 8:15 a.m., area residents can have a parcel picked up in Amarillo and delivered anywhere in the region by 1:00 p.m., according to Robert Muir, who co-owns the courier service with his brother, Robin. If they call by noon, it will be picked up in Amarillo and delivered by 5:00 p.m., he said.

If they need a package delivered to Amarillo, they can contact Panhandle Express by 8:15 a.m. and have the package picked up anywhere in the region and delivered by 5:00 p.m.

"We feel our half-day and same-day delivery service is something this region has needed for a long time," said Robin Muir.

"For example, if a Briscoe County farmer needs a tractor part from Amarillo to keep his planting on schedule, having to

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wait a day or more to receive that part could cost him thousands of dollars in downtime.

'With Panhandle Express, the farmer can call the parts dealer, have us pick up the part, and we'll deliver it to him in only a few hours."

Muir added that a similar situation may apply to attorneys, accountants, realtors, or any other businessman or woman who requires immediate delivery of a package or document.

'And we'll take the parcel to their front door, office, or even to, the field," he said.

Panhandle Express is licensed to operate by the Texas Railroad Commission. More than 20 Panhandle area residents testified as to the need for the courier service during a special commission hearing in Amarillo last December.

Panhandle Express will charge \$15 for parcels picked up and delivered within a 60-mile radius of Amarillo. There will be a \$20 charge for areas outside the 60-mile radius.

For further information on services offered by Panhandle Express, call toll free 1-800-692-4699.

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#### **Publication of Unclaimed Money** List is Impressive

The publication of the Texas State Treasury's Unclaimed Money Fund newspaper insert March 9 is impressive in several

First, with 150,000 names and accounts worth \$117 million, it is the largest list of unclaimed property ever printed in the United States. It is also the largest single printing job ever done by the State of Texas, with 2,706,219 issues printed at three newspapers.

The publication lists the names of individuals and businesses that have unclaimed property reported to the Texas State Treasury. Owners are able to redeem their property by notifying the State Treasury by mail, P. O. Box 12608 Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711, or by toll-free telephone service, 1-800-321-2274.

The Harte-Hanks Communications, Inc., printed the 34-page insert at the corporation's newspapers in Wichita Falls, Abilene and San Angelo. The print job was the largest single commercial print order ever handled by the newspaper publisher.

The printing of the insert consumed 470 tons of newsprint and 20 tons of black ink, requiring a total of 72 hours of press time.

Fifteen thousand miles of newsprint was used in the printing-enough to stretch from Houston to China.

The cost of the insert, which was awarded through competitive bidding, is about \$250,000.

Scratched mahogany can be helped by painting the scratches with iodine, then polishing.

#### POLITICAL **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Subject to Action of the **Democratic Primary** 

FOR DISTRICT JUDGE, 110th Judicial District of Texas:

> **DAVID CAVE** Spur, Texas

**GEORGE W. MILLER** Floydada, Texas [Re-election]

FOR COUNTY JUDGE, Briscoe County, Texas:

**JIMMY BURSON** 

FRED W. MERCER [Re-election]

FOR COUNTY AND DISTRICT CLERK, Briscoe County, Texas:

MARSHA BRUNSON

**BESS McWILLIAMS** [Re-election]

FOR TREASURER, Briscoe County, Texas:

> JANICE HILL **SANDI TOMLIN**

FOR COMMISSIONER, Briscoe **County Precinct 4:** 

> **BRYANT EDDLEMAN** [Re-election]

DOYLE STEPHENS

FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, Briscoe County Precinct 1:

> **JAMES EDWARDS** [Re-election]



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The first patent for artificial teeth was issued to Charles Graham of New York City in 1822.

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#### Club Sponsoring Program on Halley's Comet

The L. O. A. Junior Study Club is sponsoring an informative program on Halley's Comet for the community Friday, March 7, at 7:30 p.m. in the school auditorium.

Mike Long, a science teacher in the Amarillo schools, will present the program. It will tell a little of the history of the comet, what to look for, when the best sightings will be, and where we need to watch. The program will be especially well suited for parents and their children to attend together.

There will be no charge, so make plans now to take advantage of what promises to be an

Some people say gathering fern-seed on Christmas night will force the devil to bring you a bag of money.

#### **NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

The Commissioners' Court of Briscoe County will be accepting Sealed Bids until 10:00 a.m. March 10, 1986 for the purchase of one new Motor Grader for Precinct #1.

Bid Specifications
One (1) New Tandem Powered Motor Grader meeting the following minimum specifica-

Diesel Engine with 638 cubic inch displacement and 135 net flywheel horsepower.

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Forms will be available in the County Judge's office.

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The bids will be publicly opened and read before the Commissioners' Court of said County March 10, 1986 at 10:00

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#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The City of Silverton will hold a Public Hearing at 6:30 p.m. Monday, March 10, 1986 in the City Hall, in regard to the future use and continuation of the Silverton Municipal Airport.

The purpose of this meeting is to allow citizens an opportunity to comment on the City of Silverton's future decisions in regards to the operation or abandonment of the City Airport.

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#### WILLIAM HALL CHORALE TO PRESENT CONCERT

Plainview Community Concert Association will present the William Hall Chorale in concert Thursday, March 6, at 8:00 p.m. in Harral Memorial Auditorium at Wayland Baptist University in Plainview.

This is the third program in the 1985-86 series. Admittance is by membership cards from the Plainview, Dimmitt and Hereford Community Concert associations.

This concert will include exquisite performances of choral literature ranging from the classic masterworks to opera choruses, musical comedies, spirituals and folk songs, and an unparalleled choral revue of American musical theatre. The William Hall Chorale is renowned as one of the great choirs throughout the United States and Europe.

The poem, "A Visit From St. Nicholas" [often erroneously called "The Night Before Christmas] was written by Clement C. Moore in 1822.

The ancient Arabians believed that if a hyena trod on a person's shadow it deprived him of the power of speech and motion.

The back swimmer is a water insect that rows itself upside down using its hing legs as oars.

#### Cards of Thanks

The FHA students and their sponsor would like to thank everyone involved in making the Sweetheart Banquet a success. We appreciate your support.

Thank you, FHA

Our grateful thanks and appreciation for each act of kindness and help shown us by our relatives, friends and neighbors during Obra's 10-day hospitalization, and since we have been home.

May God's richest blessings be yours.

Obra and Jessie Mae Watson

Thanks to our children and grandchildren for planning such a special anniversary reception for us.

We are so thankful for all of our friends and loved ones who came to help us celebrate and for all of you that sent cards, flowers, gifts, made pictures, phone calls, and wished us well. "You all" made our day complete. We love you.

May God bless you, J. D. and Lois

We want to thank everyone for the help we have received since Mary's accident. A special thanks to the Silverton Volunteer Ambulance crew, Larry Comer, Mary Ann Sarchet and Sandy Harris.

We appreciate all the visits to the hospital, the flowers, cards and, most of all, your prayers.

Mary and Earl May

I would like to thank everyone for the cards, flowers, visits, food, phone calls, and most of all, for your prayers. These kind things made getting well a lot easier. Thanks again, and may God bless you all.

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