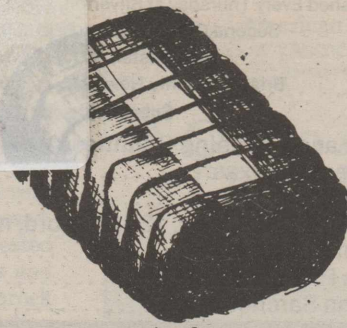




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All Around
 The Town
 BY MARY ANN SARCHET

Pesticide Applicator Training, Testing Set For Briscoe County

by Rebel L. Royall
 Briscoe County Extension Agent

Private Pesticide Applicator Training and Testing is set for Briscoe County on Tuesday, April 4, at 8:00 a.m. on the third floor of the Briscoe County Courthouse in the district courtroom. This course is for individuals who do not have a license and wish to receive one. Individuals who already have a license will not benefit from this training, unless you received your license between January 10, 1989 and December 31, 1989. Then you must be retrained and retested.

The training will take approximately

three hours. At the end of the training, Lavon Harmon, Texas Department of Agriculture, will be there to test individuals. The test consists of 100 questions and will take about one hour.

Individuals interested in taking the training and test should pre-register by calling the Briscoe County Extension office at 823-2131.

Boll Weevil Trapping Program Planned Here

by Rebel L. Royall
 Briscoe County Extension Agent

Plains Cotton Growers, along with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, is participating in a boll weevil trapping program again this year.

This program allows cotton growers and consultants to purchase four traps, four poles, twenty pheromone and eight kill strips for a cost of \$12.00.

The producer or consultant will monitor trap catches and report to the local Extension Agent, who will in turn summarize the information.

This program will allow us to "take the temperature" of the weevil situation across the area which will in turn help the control program get a better grasp of the kind of control efforts that will

Jamboree Goes On State Here Saturday Night

Another great show has been scheduled for the April 1 Caprock Jamboree. New talent, as well as some encore performers, will be appearing in the show which will begin at 7:00 p.m., as usual, and of course, admission is free.

Caprock Soil & Water Conservation District board members will begin serving mesquite-grilled hamburgers at 6:00 p.m. Proceeds will be used for programs promoting soil and water conservation in Briscoe County.

Make your plans to attend the "Best Musical Show in the Panhandle of Texas" Saturday, April 1.

For your comfort, bring a folding chair. If you forget or don't have one, a chair will be provided for you.

be necessary in the fall if the boll weevil eradication referendum passes. Traps also will help producers and consultants determine if fields will benefit from an overwintered weevil insecticide application.

Traps can be ordered through the Briscoe County Extension Office. Deadline for placement of orders is April 11. The Extension Office phone number is 823-2131.

Don't forget that Daylight Saving Time arrives this weekend. Actual time of the change is 2:00 a.m. Sunday, but you'd best set your clock ahead one hour before retiring Saturday night.

This is Spring Forward time. Don't forget it if you want to be on time for church Sunday morning.

VOTE YES!

For the future of Briscoe County cotton, landowners need to vote to establish the High Plains Eradication Zone and for the mandatory assessment rate.

The average amount to be assessed in Briscoe County is \$3.86 per acre. This is calculated on the basis of \$1.25 per planted acre plus 3/4-cent per pound for the farm's established ASCS yield.

Ballots are scheduled to be mailed to producers about Monday, April 3.

It is going to be expensive to eradicate the boll weevil, but if this isn't done we're going to have to bury King Cotton and I don't believe our area's economy can stand this! It has been estimated to me that the cost of this proposition will be about half what it would cost the producer to spray his own cotton.

The boll weevil has gained a foothold in this area during the past several mild winters, and must be stopped NOW. Please vote FOR both propositions, because it won't do any good to vote to establish the enhanced eradication zone without providing the funding.

Chief Frank Runkles has conducted the traditional Plains Indian ritual each year for the past 23 years. The ceremony is performed to predict the course of the upcoming year, and is designed to lay out the fates of everyone throughout the region even though farmers have paid the most heed.

"Whatever your occupation, you will have a less than average year," Runkles said after the ceremony.

Wearing a beaded leather outfit and a flowing feather headdress, Runkles performed the Four Winds dance in Post March 22. Just as the sun burned its way through pink morning skies, a southwesterly breeze carried plumes of smoke from the fire past Runkles—a sign that the rest of the year is going to be less than desirable. This is interpreted to mean there will be no five bales of cotton to the acre for farmers this year and no endless epochs of gentle rain cascading over croplands either.

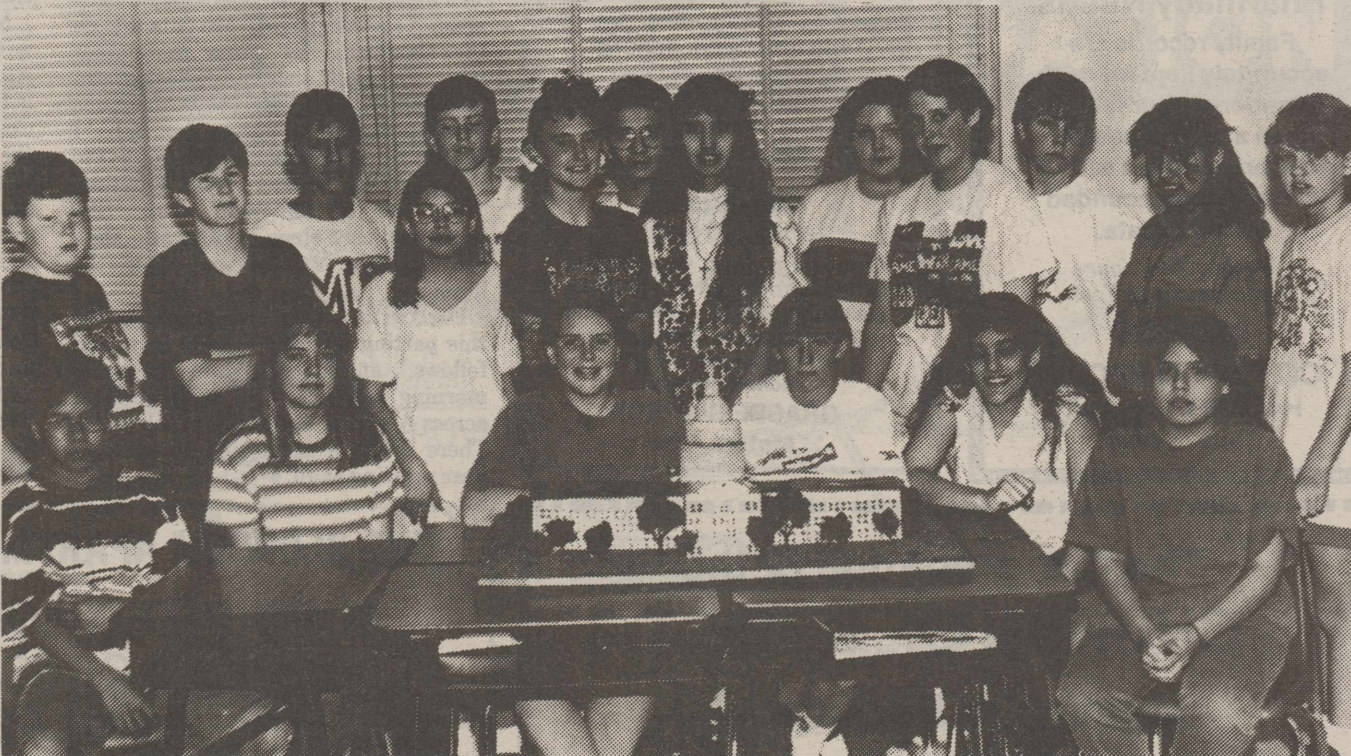
This wasn't exactly what we had been hoping for in his prediction.

We think our son may have brought the shower we had last weekend. He has been re-roofing and had the shingles torn off part of his roof.

Booster Club To Meet Monday

Silverton Booster Club will meet at 7:00 p.m. Monday, April 3, in the board room. All members and those who are interested in the school's athletic program are urged to attend.

Purpose of the meeting is to discuss the upcoming athletic banquet which will honor boys and girls who participate in all sports.



Silverton Seventh Graders last week completed their model of the Texas Capitol and a theme under the guidance of their history teacher Nancy Wood. The copper-roofed model and theme have been entered into competition with students from other schools, and the grand prize includes airfare for the students and their sponsors to Austin for a tour of the State Capitol. Whether or not they win, their entry turned out very well and represents a lot of hard work. The students are (standing, left to right) Ryan Minyard, Daniel Reagan, Vince Cruz, Lori Edwards, Nathan Francis, Misti Mattheus, Mickey Juarez, Vanessa Reyna, Dee Dee White, Tyra Younger, Jordan Sarchet, Maribel Garcia, Kayla Davis; (sitting) Paul Segura, Dara Johnston, Lisa Comer, Sara Kirchoffner, Kenda Wood and Ana Pena.

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Briscoe Republican Party Is Re-Organized

Briscoe County Republicans met recently to reorganize the Republican Party in this county. John Gill, acting as temporary chairman, administered an oath to those present.

John T. Francis was elected County Chairman. Bennie Reagan was elected Vice-Chairman. Precinct Chairman for Precinct 1 is Sally Grimland; Precinct 2 is Jo Ann Reagan; Precinct 3 is Eldon O'Neal, and Precinct 4 is Perry Brunson.

A motion was made to secure the Briscoe County Showbarn for the 1996 primary election polling place.

The Briscoe County Republican Party is committed to run and to support county candidates in the 1996 elections. Republicans gained a lot of county offices last fall in the General Election and recently lots of Democrats have switched their party affiliation.

Those who serve in the county offices are welcome now to consider the political picture of the future (less government, conservative programs, responsible regulations, moral responsibility), and make your plans for 1996. If anyone is considering running for a county office, you now have a choice of parties, and the Briscoe County Republican Party would like to be your choice.

Quilt Show Set For Saturday

Friendship Quilters are sponsoring a Quilt Show Saturday, April 1, at the Silverton Senior Citizens Center. Hours will be 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

Admission is \$1.00 per person. All proceeds will benefit the Senior Citizens Center.

Connie Smith Receives 1994 Ambulance Attendant Award

Silverton Volunteer Ambulance Service held its annual Awards Banquet at the Silverton Senior Citizens Center March 11.

The meal, which consisted of steak, baked potatoes and salad, was prepared by Dale McWaters, Ralph and Janice Hill. Betty Stephens furnished the hot rolls. Desserts were brought by Kathy Kingery, Lana Burson and Janice Hill.

After the meal, Emmett Tomlin, president of the Ambulance Service, welcomed the guests. The new staff of the Briscoe County Clinic, Joe Foust, Physician's Assistant; Sheryl Breedlove, receptionist; Lana Burson and Leah Satterwhite, nurses, were special guests.

Tomlin also gave an overview of the last year for the ambulance service regarding the number of runs and the shortage of personnel.

McWaters presented Connie Smith with the award for Ambulance Attendant of the Year for 1994. Connie is the first female Paramedic in Briscoe County. After words of appreciation for the award, Connie emphasized how vital other members of the organization are and how much they also deserve an award. Each of the active members of the service is vital to its survival.

A very enjoyable night was experienced by Bryan and Lana Burson, James and Becky Dunn, Ralph and Janice Hill, Anthony and Kathy Kingery, Dale and Pat McWaters, Donald and Fay Perkins, Lynn and Connie Smith, Emmett and Sandi Tomlin.

A Voice From the Country



Earl Cantwell
Gems & Allegorys

I suppose that every town has one. A place where the farmers, ranchers, merchants and retirees gather to join in a ritual of coffee drinking and conversation. You wouldn't call the ritual quite sacred, considering some of the conversation. In our community the spot is a nice little cafe, "The Drive In." Every morning things get underway about 4:15 a.m. though some mornings some cannot sleep, so they come early and wait in the dark for the man who comes to open up and put on the coffee. I hear tell he does this for his breakfast and to get to read the paper first. It's not just the coffee that draws them together. Now this table has been labeled "The Table of Wisdom." (There is another table, "The Table of Business"). The whole morning affair

smacks of ritualism because of its daily practice...

To give you some idea of what the conversation sounds like among these "Tables of Knowledge", imagine you are in a small cafe somewhere in Texas. It's 6:00 a.m. and Joe Bob, Earl and Buster are drinking their first cup of coffee. Joe Bob and Earl are ranchers who have seen the good side of 60. Buster is county constable. He speaks first, "I'm telling you, this coffee is so strong you could float a horseshoe in it." Earl removes his John Deere cap and sets it on the table. "Now if you'd take your coffee whitewashed like I do, you'd not have an excuse to bellyache."

"How much rain did you get at your place yesterday?" Joe Bob asks, looking at Earl. "Oh, 'bout two inches. It was sure a good frog strangler." "Well, don't that beat all? I guess I got a quarter of an inch if I got a drop. Lasted about as long as an old man's dance."

Buster takes a swallow of coffee and wipes his mouth with the back of his hand. "I reckon it was the rain that made Bubba Green lose control of his pickup and slide in the ditch in front of Miss Emily Scott's house. He was pulling a cattle trailer, and the tailgate flew open, and all his cows got out. They trampled Miss Emily's mustard greens and you never seen a woman so lathered up. She was mad as a swarm of mule-chewing bumble bees."

Earl shook his head, "Poor old Bubba; that old boy is so accident prone he could fall up a well." "For sure he can't take any more losses. He's so hard up now he couldn't buy hay for a nightmare," Joe Bob says, draining his cup. He turns and calls to Florine, the waitress. "Hey, Flo—how's about another cup of that muddy water?"

City, School Elections To Be Held Here Soon

The City of Silverton and Silverton Independent School District will be holding elections on Saturday, May 6. Absentee voting begins April 17 and continues through May 2 at the City Hall and at the Towe Office Building.

The terms of Mayor John Bowman and Councilmen W. D. Rowell and Lane Garvin are expiring this year. All three have signed up for places on the City's ballot.

School Trustees Jack Graham, Zane Mayfield and Carolyn Lowrey have their terms expiring this year. Names on the ballot will include Graham, Mayfield, Mikel Griffin and Rance Young. Mrs. Lowrey has chosen not to seek re-election.

Florine fills their cups and stops, her hands on her hips, to look straight at Joe Bob. "You sure are all combed up and curried today, ain't you?"

"Now don't embarrass me, Florine. You make me feel like an old maid baby sittin' a sailor's parrot." Flo pats him on the shoulder, and turns to another table. "I got to finish this coffee and get on down the road," Earl says. "Yep, it's burning daylight," agrees Joe Bob. "I believe I'll stick around and worry Flo for a while," Buster says, grinning. "Stay out of the wife's hair. She complains that since I quit work, she's got half the money and twice the husband."

Earl, with a wave of his hand, offers this parting advice: "Take it easy, you fellows," and departs into the early morning sunlight. And so it goes all across America, especially in Silverton. There could be more, but it wouldn't bear printing at all.



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Looking Back

through the files of the
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March 28, 1985—Good spring rains fall on Silverton . . . Community Kite Fly-Off to be held Saturday . . . Charlie Offield helped get the City Cleanup Campaign off to a good start by beginning with his property on South Main Street Saturday . . . Troy Burson was transported to Amarillo late Sunday night by the Silverton Volunteer Ambulance Service and admitted to St. Anthony's Hospital . . . Dr. and Mrs. Frank B. Duncan, Iris Graham and Donna Weathers have been visitors with Jettie Hardcastle . . . Eugene and Susan Pool are parents of a son, Dustin Charles . . . Twins were born to Ron and Pam Vaughan on March 22. They are Robert Clyde and Ryan Wayne . . . David Tipton was a patient at St. Anthony's Hospital last week . . . Diamond Williams spent several days last week with her daughter, Tena Mattheus, who underwent gall bladder surgery Tuesday . . . Camelia Hudgens, Stefanie, Jennifer and Matt, Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Comer, Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Comer, Christi and Cami visited in the home of their parents, the Leo Comers, last week . . .

March 27, 1975—Bryant Eddleman was the winner of the beef gift certificate given away by the Terra Cotta CowBells . . . The fountain at Jack's Pharmacy will close April 1 . . . Charles Whitfill was showing a 10 lb. 11 oz. striped bass he caught at Lake Spence . . . Artists invited to submit designs for bicentennial medal . . . Nine- and ten-year-old Little Dribbler All-Stars are Tad Cornett, Alvin Stice, Craig Patton, Clifford Clardy, Rank Cogdell, Mitcheal Martin, Shane Reagan, Warren Jarrett, Cary Fleming and Eric Patton. The boys are coached by J. E. Patton and Don Cornett . . . Eleven- and twelve-year-old Little Dribbler All-Stars are Kelly McMurtry, Casey Bean, Brandon Jarrett, Walter Perkins, David Vaughn, Mark Patton, Roger Cantwell, Jimmy Stone, Jeff McCord and Gary Juarez. They are coached by Larry Jarrett and Moe Eddleman . . . Mr. and Mrs. Roger Harrison are parents of a son, Christopher Loyd . . . Suzette Fitzgerald has been a patient at High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo this week .

March 31, 1955—A Livestock Judging Team from Briscoe County 4-H placed second at the Plainview Fat Stock Show. This team is composed of Clayton Elkins, Keith Whitfield, Robert Hill and John Schott. They were nudged out of first place by four points by a team from Hale County . . . "Moonlight and Roses" is theme of FHA Banquet . . . Six buildings are being added to the Haynes Boy Scout Camp . . . A. D. Arnold received \$100 at the You All Come Day program Saturday. Mrs. Ben Martin received \$15.00 and Mrs. Irving McJimsey received \$10.00 . . . Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Minyard have decided to name their son John Earl, thus he has his dad's initials but isn't "Junior". They plan to call him John . . . Mr. and Mrs. Ted Hester, Janice, Ronnie and Rickey have moved here from their farm home near Quitaque . . . A very nice "private" rodeo was held at the local arena Sunday afternoon when Morris Stephens tried out some newly-acquired horses and Brahma bulls . . . Messrs. Robert McPherson and Raymond McJimsey were in Petersburg Sunday . . . Mrs. S. B. Smith, 91, fell at her home Thursday and broke her right hip and also her right arm between the wrist and elbow . . . Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Wesley are parents of a son, Randy Lynn . . . Mrs. Marlin Jarnagin underwent an appendectomy at the

Tulia hospital Monday afternoon . . . Haylake Club meets with Anna Belle Tipton . . .

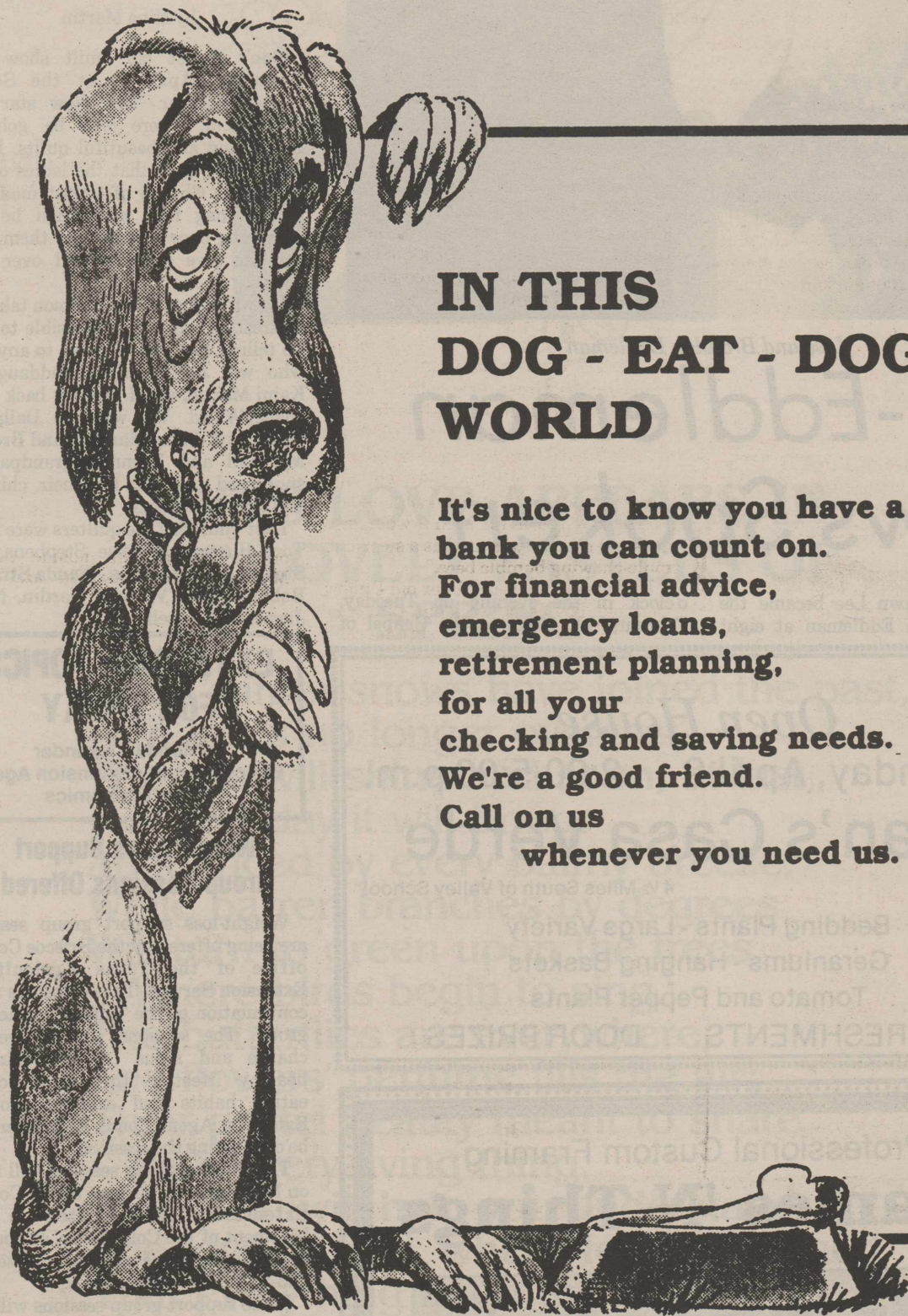
March 29, 1945—Mrs. Bud Perkins received a card from her husband, Bud, Wednesday saying that he was well and not to worry about him. The card was from a German prisoner-of-war camp . . . The Silverton School has had its grounds landscaped and it adds much to the appearance of the school . . . Pvt. Loyd May entered service in June 1944. He went overseas in December 1944 and has seen service in England, France, Belgium, Holland and Germany . . . Nuke May volunteered for Marine duty in August 1942. He received a medical discharge at San Diego the following month . . . S-Sgt. Dick May entered service in June 1941. He received his basic training at Camp

Walters, Texas and is now stationed at Fort Bliss . . . The City Hall was remodeled last week. The fire station was made into a room and the front of the building is now all office room with living quarters in the back. The fire truck is now housed in the tin building just south of Willson Lumber Company . . . Mr. and Mrs. Orlee Mills were honored with a reception Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carver Monroe . . . Miss Dorothy Roy McMurtry of Stephens College has received special commendation from her band instructor for her assistance in putting over recent band concerts. Dorothy plays the baritone saxophone . . . Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Strange are parents of a son, Elzie Lewis . . .

May 1, 1925—Santa Fe head tells committee chairman that everything is

ready for starting road when permit is granted by LCC . . . Newly-elected school board is organized . . . A Ford touring car returning to Tulia from Silverton late Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lawler, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nelson, a Mr. Lawson and A. W. Phillips as passengers was struck by a Ford coupe driven by Wood Hardcastle and Hatch Anderson . . . Jim Bomar and H. R. Brown have bought in with E. H. Perry in his grocery business on the south side of the square. The store will be known in the future as the Southside Grocery . . . Machinery for Quitaque Gin has arrived . . . Mrs. Mary Daniel is nursing in the hospital at Plainview . . . Sheriff C. C. Garrison went to Memphis

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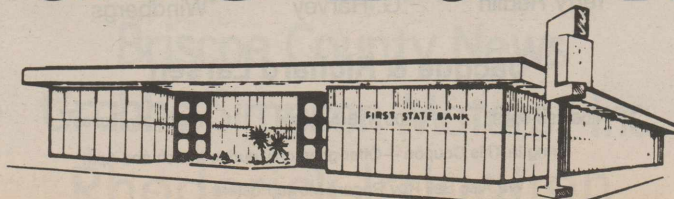


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Lisa and Brandon Eddleman

Lee-Eddleman Vows Spoken

Miss Lisa LaDawn Lee became the bride of Brandon Eddleman at eight o'clock in the evening on Tuesday, February 14, 1995, at the Chapel of

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Parents of the couple are Cary Lee of Canyon, Sharon New Rider of Duncan, Oklahoma and Randall and LaJuan Eddleman of Smyer.

The bride chose a full-length white dress designed with capped sleeves and beaded diamond-shaped neckline for her wedding.

She is a graduate of Canyon High School and attended West Texas A&M University. She is employed by Texas Furniture at 34th & Bell in Amarillo.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Matador High School and attended South Plains College at Levelland and West Texas A&M University in Canyon. He is assistant manager of the Firestone Store on Coulter Drive in Amarillo.

The couple is making their home at 2813 Lawton Drive in Amarillo.

Friendship Quilters

by Nina Martin

Don't forget our quilt show this Saturday, April 1, at the Senior Citizens Center. The show starts at 10:00 a.m. There will be gobs of interesting and beautiful quilts. I will have Dad's quilt that the ladies of the Wolf Flat Church of Christ made for him a long time ago when he was preaching once a month for them. You can see love sparkling all over that quilt.

How it is that when a person takes an interesting trip it is impossible to shut up telling every little thing to anybody who will listen? My granddaughter, Kami Martin, and I just got back from DisneyWorld. We went to Dallas to travel with Celia, Marshall and Brenna. Marshall and Brenna's grandparents sponsored the trip for their children and grandchildren.

Last Thursday the quilters were Mary Tom Burson, Laverne Stephens, Joy Stodghill, Ann Norris, Wanda Strange, Bobbye Bean, Virginia Hardin, Nelda Jasper and myself.

EXTENSION TOPICS FOR TODAY

by Ronda Alexander
 Briscoe County Extension Agent
 Home Economics

Weight Loss Support Group Sessions Offered

Weight-loss support group sessions are being offered by the Briscoe County office of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. These sessions are a continuation of the "Lifestyle Choices" group. The sessions will be free of charge and focus on developing a healthy lifestyle through practical eating habits and exercise. County Extension Agent Ronda Alexander will be conducting the sessions.

The support group sessions will meet on Mondays at 5:00 p.m. at the County Extension Office located in the basement of the Courthouse. If you are interested in these sessions, please call 823-2131, Ext. 12, to sign-up.

If the support group sessions will not fit into your schedule, then you may want to consider signing up for the "Lifestyle Choices For Healthy Weight," letter series. The letter series is available to you at no cost and will be mailed weekly for eight weeks. The series will begin April 10, so call today if you are interested.

The information provided to you in the support group sessions and the letter series will focus on the development of healthy eating habits and a regular exercise schedule. This will enable you to lose weight slowly and have a better chance of keeping the weight off. A healthy lifestyle is something that each of us could benefit from.

Stephens Reunion Held March 18-20

A family reunion was held March 18-20 in the home of Juanita Stephens. Lots of visiting, eating, playing games, hog hunting and sleeping were enjoyed by all who attended.

Those attending were Jerry and Phyllis Stephens and Joni Lynn, Marble City, Oklahoma; Sam and Sara Noth, Whitney and Samantha, Sherman; Jay Stephens, Sherman; Margaret Thornton, Hobbs, New Mexico; Jordan Grimm, Odessa; Darrell and Sharon Thornton, Heather and Kyle, Corpus Christi; Scott Thornton, Susie, Amanda and Robyn, Lubbock; Keith and Jeannita Ellison, Tatum and Tyler, Canadian; Laurie Stephens, Kendal, Kaleigh and Kyler, Big Spring; Juanita Stephens, Wayne, Betty and Christina Stephens and Chris Roberts, all of Silverton.

Also dropping by for visiting during the weekend were Doyle and Merlene Stephens, Loyd Stephens and Margaret Stephens and Cheryl Ward of Childress.

Senior Citizens To Have Birthday Party

Silverton Senior Citizens will have their monthly birthday party at the Center beginning at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, April 4.

Those who have birthdays in April will be honored. Those who had their birthdays celebrated in March will host the party.

Happy Birthday To . . .

March 30—Jacob Francis, Molly Bomar, Wilma Gill, Cynthia Glenn, Lisa Farley, Roberta Griffin

March 31—Terry Davis, Martin Younger, Sylvia Trevino, Angela Henderson

April 1—Nanette Kennedy, Kylee Taitano

April 2—Becky Drew, Danny Perkins, Kathy Speck, Paul Brannon

April 3—Will Rowell, Steve Green

April 4—Christine LaRee Bean

April 5—John Segura, Loretha Rhoderick, Albert Hartman

Happy Anniversary To . . .

April 3—Mr. and Mrs. Reece Wadley

Bible-Based Weight Control Program Set To Begin on April 10

If you were unable to attend the "Weigh Down Workshop" orientation, it still isn't too late to join this group.

You can attend the first class of the Bible-based weight control program without any obligation on April 10 at 7:00 p.m. at the Rock Creek Church of Christ.

You can watch the orientation video and see if this program is for you. Just call Maebelle Francis at 823-2524. This program is for anyone who is a slave to food, alcohol, anorexia, bulimia or any self-destructive habit.

You can turn your passion for food or drink to a passion for the Almighty and the Awesome God that created us.

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One-Act Play Doesn't Advance

Silverton's entry in the UIL One-Act Play competition was presented at White Deer last week. Schools entered in this competition included Hedley, Lefors, Silverton and McLean. The plays that will advance are Lefors and Hedley.

Honorable mention awards went to Holly Nance, Brandi Brunson and Hilda Garcia.

Leslee Weeks and Dewayne Juarez were named to the All-Star Cast.

Leslee Weeks Scores Double

Leslee Weeks scored a double by winning both the shot and discus in the Six-Man Division of the Warrior Meet held at Miami High School last weekend.

Weeks really wasn't challenged in either event, as she put the shot 36'6 1/4" and threw the discus 94'3 1/4". Second-place finishers in these events had distances of 32'11" and 89'4 1/2".

Also among the top finishers in the meet was Lori Brannon, who won second in the long jump with 14' 1/4".

The Lady Owls earned 39 points in the meet, which was good for eighth place.

Silverton's Junior High Lady Owls scored 63 points and finished fourth in their division.

The Owls finished eleventh with a total of eleven points, and the Junior High Owls scored 38 points which was good for a seventh-place finish in their division.

Local thinclads will be in a meet at Jayton this week.

UIL Meet Is Thursday, Friday

Silverton's High School entries in the UIL literary and academic events will be competing at the District Meet in Clarendon Thursday and Friday of this week.

This will involve a total of 35 boys and girls from Silverton ISD.

Silverton School Activities

Sunday, April 2--Daylight Saving Time begins

Monday, April 3--District Golf; Election Information on Satellite, 6:30-8:30 p.m.; Booster Club Meeting, board room, 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, April 4--Zone Tennis, Memphis, 9:00 a.m.; Youth Basketball

Wednesday, April 5--Third and Fourth Grade GT Field Trip

Thursday, April 6--District Tennis, Clarendon, 9:00 a.m.; R Photography to take PK-8 Class and Individual Pictures

Friday, April 7--JH and Elementary

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Wednesday, taking with him a man who was given a one-year sentence in district court on a liquor charge . . . "The Cottage Service Station" is the name of Champ Blackwell's beautiful new brick drive-in filling station, which is now open for business . . . Frank Lowrey moved Chick Northcutt's cattle to the Silverton country last Friday . . . Good rains put season in ground; planting started . . . Death of Mrs. W. S. Gregg is mourned . . .

UIL, Hedley, 9:00 a.m.; Youth Basketball

Saturday, April 8--Area and District Judging Contests, Texas Tech; JH and HS Track Meet, Lefors

Silverton School Lunchroom Menu

Monday, April 3--Lasagna, Salad, Crackers, Fruit, Milk

Tuesday, April 4--Meat and Vegetable Soup, Toasted Sandwich, Fruit, Milk

Wednesday, April 5--Chili and Cheese Corn Chip Pie, Pinto Beans, Fruit, Milk

Thursday, April 6--Turkey and Dressing, Green Beans, Giblet Gravy, Cranberry Sauce, Bread, Milk

Friday, April 7--Corn Dog, Cheese Stix, Fries, Fruit, Milk

BREAKFAST

Monday--Biscuit, Gravy, Juice, Milk

Tuesday--Cinnamon Toast, Juice, Milk

Wednesday--Blueberry Muffin, Juice, Milk

Thursday--Pancake, Syrup, Juice, Milk

Friday--Sausage, Biscuit, Juice, Milk

Silverton Public Library News

New books in the library include: "Reckless" by Amanda Quick. From a crumbling fairy-tale castle on the stormy Sussex coast comes a tale of a knight, a maiden and a love.

"Murder on the Potomac" by Margaret Truman. Law professor Mac Smith has a passion for two things in his life, his wife, Annabel, and the majestic Potomac River. A weed-shrouded body in the latter leads to a theatrical group that re-enacts

historical murders. His main concern is protecting Annabel.

"Cruel Doubt" by Joe McGinniss, author of "Fatal Vision." "Cruel Doubt" is a riveting account of small-town murder; a terrifying tale of a seemingly ordinary family whose lives and illusions about each other were shattered one hot summer night in 1988. Joe McGinniss takes the reader to the outer limits of love and betrayal.

It is the story of Bonnie Von Stein—the former Bonnie Lou Bates of Welcome, North Carolina—whose newly-wealthy husband was brutally murdered as he lay in bed beside her, during an attack in which she herself was stabbed, beaten and apparently left for dead.

Library hours are Tuesday mornings from 8:30 until 11:30, and Tuesday and Friday afternoons from 2:00 until 5:00 p.m.

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by
Danny's Catering

★ Director elections
★ Short business meeting

★ Door prize drawings
★ 9 p.m. — Adjourn

SWISHER ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE



Students Write Adventures of Izzy

Silverton sixth and seventh grade students recently have written their versions of "The Great Adventures of Izzy," the official mascot of the 1996 Olympics in Atlanta. Following are some of those that were submitted.

THE CELEBRATION

Once upon a time the Roman gods Zeus and Hera had a child. They named him Izzy. He grew up to be a fine young man. When he was about eighteen years old, he met a girl. Her name was Demeter. She fell instantly in love with him. A little while after he met her, she went to Zeus crying that she loved him and demanded that they be married. But Zeus would not agree because Izzy was immortal and would never die. And Demeter was from earth. So one day while Izzy was in a field, Demeter sent her father, Boras, to kidnap him. Boras, who would do anything for his motherless daughter, was a king on earth.

Hera looked for her son everywhere. When she could not find him, she wept for six weeks. Finally, Zeus told her he had seen Boras take him. (He felt sorry for the cities flooding on earth.) Zeus sent Hermese, his messenger, to tell Boras to bring Izzy back. Hera was so happy that she had a celebration in Izzy's honor. Since Izzy was the god of health and exercise, she called it the Olympics. And each year they had races and gymnastics, etc. And that is how the Olympics came to be.

Jade Van Horn

IZZY WINS GOLD MEDAL

"Goodnight, Izzy," said his mom.

"Goodnight" Izzy called back.

"Z...ZZZ...Z.Z.Z."

"Wow! Look at this place! Can you believe that they are going to have the Olympics here?" said Izzy.

"I know. Just think. YOU'RE going to get to be in the Olympics," said Izzy's friend, Fred.

"Yeah, I know!" cried Izzy. "I'll be running around the track at 2:09 Thursday afternoon. Isn't it just great?"

Well, maybe for you," moaned Fred. "I won't get to be in the Olympics, BUT at LEAST I'll have a friend in them."

Come on," said Izzy. "Let's head back to the hotel. I'm starting." Two days passed and finally it was the BIG DAY. It was exactly 1:49 and Izzy was very nervous.

"What if I come in last and make a total fool of myself?" cried Izzy.

Calm down! You'll do fine," Fred assured him.

"Oh, I sure hope so," said Izzy. "Oh, no! Look! It's two o'clock. I've got to be out on the track right now."

"Good luck!" cried Fred.

"Thanks, I'll need it!" said Izzy nervously. Izzy hurried out onto the track and jogged a couple of times in place.

"All right! It's time for the one mile race. Runners, take your places!" yelled the announcer. "On your mark... get set..." BANG!

"Go, Izzy!" Fred yelled from the sidelines. The runners had completed three laps and they were on their last lap. As they were nearing the finish line, Izzy was in first place. What was it, Uh-o, somebody was catching up with Izzy.

"I yi yi!" yelled Fred. "Faster, Izzy! He's catching up with you!" As they crossed the finish line, Izzy and the other man crossed it at the same time.

"Oh, my! It's a photo finish! It's not every day you see this, folks!" yelled the announcer. "O. K. the photo please. The winner of the one mile race is... Izzy."

"Yeah! Good job, Izzy!" cheered Fred. Fred ran out on the track and gave Izzy

a big bear hug.

"I knew you could do it!" said Fred.

"After that photo finish, I was pretty scared I didn't make it," said Izzy.

"Izzy, wake up!" yelled Izzy's mom.

"Mom... Oh, man! I didn't get to get my gold medal," cried Izzy.

"Gold medal? I think you had a wierd dream," said Izzy's mom.

"Actually," laughed Izzy, "it was a good dream."

Taylor Griffin

IZZY GOES TO THE ARMY

One day Izzy woke up and sat up in bed as usual, but this was not a usual day. He stood up and stretched. He walked over to the sink and looked in the mirror. What he saw was not the everyday, boring, common Izzy that so many people knew. He saw a hero, someone that he had never known himself to be; he's got him pumped, so to speak. He went to eat breakfast, and figured out how he could see if he really was more than an everyday, loving, common person. He decided he would go to the Army. At first this seemed unreal and he rejected the idea. But then he decided to join up when he got encouragement from a friend. While Izzy was pondering about the idea, the telephone rang. Of course-how could he have forgotten? It was his birthday! Every year his mother called at the same time. He was kind of glad she did call to wish him a happy birthday. He picked up the telephone and the first thing he heard was, "Happy birthday, Birthday Boy!" "Hi, Mom," was his response.

She said, "I can't believe how old you are; it's as if you have lost count."

"I know how old I am, Mom; you don't always have to remind me," replied Izzy. "Oh, I'm sorry, Son," was all she said. "Anyway," she said, "would you like to speak to your Dad?" "Oh, yes," he said quickly. "Hi, Dad."

His father said hurriedly, "Can't talk now; I'm a little bit drunk. You know how it is when you get to having fun at those parties at Goober's house."

"I understand," Izzy said, understandingly. "Can I speak to Mom now?"

"Sure," his father slurred.

His father got off the phone and went to get his Mom.

Underneath his breath, Izzy said, "I can't believe he's still drinking!"

His Mom picked up the phone, and they started to talk again. After a little while Izzy said it. "Mom, do you think I could ever be better than a normal person?"

His mom replied, kind of shaken, "Izzy, if you believe in yourself, you can do anything!" Izzy retorted, "Thanks, Mom!" and hung up. This made Izzy kind of excited. He ran over to the closet, grabbed his tie and ran out the door. He ran straight to the sign-up station for the Army. Luckily, there was one nearby.

"Oh, boy," he thought. He walked into the room and sat down in a chair. He had to wait a little while because there was no one in the room. After a long wait, a woman came into the room. She sat down at a desk and started working.

Izzy said, "Excuse me, would you tell me where to sign up for the Army?" She laughed and said, "Why, are you planning to go to the Army?"

"Yes, I am," he said. And with that he got up and went down the hall, turned to his left and walked into the closed door. He saw a man sitting at a desk. "Hello," replied the man. "Can I help you?"

"Yes," Izzy answered. "I want to go to the Army. And please don't tell me I can't; there is a war going on, isn't

there?"

"Yes," said the man. "Fill out this form and sign on the dotted line." After Izzy got done, he gave it to the man. The man said, "Go wait outside for the truck to come."

I can't believe it," Izzy said. "I'm in the Army." He went outside and sat on the bench to wait for the truck to come. Finally, after a long wait, the truck came. He was on his way to the Army. He got to the base at San Diego Falls and unpacked his gear. He was quite tired from the long ride to the base, so he lay down. Just as he dozed off, someone woke him up. They said quickly, "Get up! We're going to war!"

He couldn't believe it; his birthday and he was going to war. He hadn't even been trained yet. He got up and quickly dressed. The person that had waked him up was on the truck saying, "Hurry up!" Izzy ran and got on the truck. They were immediately rushed to an airport where they loaded on an airplane to South Korea. It was a 13 hour flight, but they finally got there. They were parachuted out onto the battlefield, where they immediately started shooting their guns. The man that had waked him up was running beside Izzy. Everything seemed to happen so fast Izzy was not in control of what he was doing. It was horrible. The man beside him got shot and Izzy saw it. Izzy shot his gun and hit somebody. He was having second thoughts. Maybe he didn't want to be in the Army, after all. He didn't have to prove anything to anybody except himself. It was too late now to stop and quit; he had to keep on. I guess he was concentrating on what he was doing and he stepped on a land mine. It was terrible. His whole leg was blown off! To this very day, he can still feel the agonizing pain. Of course they drug him off to the doctor and now he has a false leg. He went on to get a Purple Heart and become the President of the United States. He retired from doing anything at the ripe old age of 67. He still tells of his day in the Army to his grandchildren.

I hope you enjoyed my Izzy story, and I hope you have a story like this one to tell to your grandchildren.

Jordan

IZZY'S CRUISE

Little Izzy had loved the water since his mother took him swimming when he was one week old. It seemed like he could remember that first time, how he had held his breath and flapped his arms and legs, until his mom pulled him out of the water. Of course he knew he was too young to remember, but he had been told about it so much that it seemed he could. And since Izzy lived in Hawaii it was a good thing he liked the water since that was all you could see in any direction you looked.

Little Izzy came from a very poor family. To help make more money for his family, Izzy would dive for pearls in the deep Pacific Ocean. He could dive so far down and hold his breath so long that sometimes people would become afraid that he had drowned. Then he would pop up out of the water with three or four pearls while the other divers would be lucky to find one.

One day an Olympic swimming coach who was vacationing in Hawaii, watched as little Izzy dived for pearls. He was amazed at how much power he must have in his arms and legs to go down so deep in the water and how long he could stay under the water. He said to himself, "That boy could be an Olympic champion someday." Before he went home, the swimming coach talked to Izzy and told him that if somehow he could get to Atlanta, Georgia in 1995, he could win a gold medal in the Olympics.

Since little Izzy was only 10 years old, he didn't see how in the world he could ever get to Atlanta, Georgia. He didn't even know where it was. He told his mom and dad about what the coach had

said and they told him he could keep one pearl out of every five that he got and by 1995 maybe he would have enough money to get to Georgia. That night and every night for the next three years, Izzy dreamed of becoming an Olympic swimming champion.

By 1995, Izzy didn't have enough money to fly to Georgia but he did have money enough to go on a ship. Since the ship would have to go south from Hawaii, pass through the Panama Canal, cross the Gulf of Mexico, go around Florida, then up north to Georgia, the trip would last 10 days. That didn't bother Izzy, though; he had always loved the water and he was looking forward to a fun cruise. That is, until the week before he was supposed to go when he read a book about the Titanic that sank in the Atlantic Ocean and drowned thousands of people. From that time on, Izzy would get knots in his stomach every time he thought about going on the ship, but he knew he had to go because his family and everyone at school was counting on him.

By the time he was supposed to leave, Izzy hadn't been able to eat for a week and had lost 10 pounds. He was so nervous when he got aboard the ship that he almost fell off the walk. When he got on the ship, though, he realized how big it was and that it would take something really big to make it sink. He calmed down and made up his mind that he was going to enjoy the trip and not ever think about the Titanic again. And that's just what he did, until he went to his room and opened the porthole.

Little Izzy didn't go to his room until late that afternoon because he was having so much fun exploring the ship. It was just like a big town. It had a big swimming pool where he could work out everyday, 10 real fancy restaurants where he could eat anything he wanted, an amusement park with a roller coaster, a huge room full of video games, a movie theatre, and a McDonald's. And it was all free. The air was so fresh and every which way he looked was water. "Yes," he thought, "I am going to enjoy this trip."

About 4:00 in the afternoon, Izzy went to his room. He was really feeling good so he swung open his porthole to let in the fresh ocean air. Izzy's heart stopped, he couldn't breathe. The porthole was full of water. He caught his breath and ran out into the hall yelling at the top of his lungs, "The ship is sinking! The ship is sinking!" He ran into the maid who had come to clean his room. "Calm down and shut up, you dummy; don't you know that the cheap rooms on a ship are below the water? This ship is not sinking."

Izzy went back to his room and closed the porthole, but the knots in his stomach had returned. All he could think about was the Titanic. That night and every night for the next 9 days, when he would finally get to sleep, he kicked his feet, moved his arms, and held his breath just like he was swimming underwater. He didn't want the sight of any water so instead of eating at the fancy restaurants that were up on top of the ship, he ate at McDonald's that was down below close to the cheap rooms. Everyday for 9 days he ate a sausage biscuit for breakfast, a quarter pounder with cheese for lunch, and the same for supper. All he did was stay in his room, go to McDonald's and go to bed and have his nightmares about the Titanic. Once he went to the movies, but jumped up and ran out when he saw that it was "The Posiden Adventure" showing.

When the ship finally got to Georgia, Izzy was really relieved, but he knew that he would not have a chance in the Olympics because he didn't work out at all in the swimming pool, and he hadn't eaten any nutritious food. He thought about quitting, but his parents would be too disappointed, so he made up his

mind that he would do the best he could.

The first thing Izzy was in was the 50 lap events. He dived in, thinking that he probably wouldn't even be able to finish the race. But once he got in the water, his arms and legs felt stronger and more powerful than they had ever felt before. His lungs were so strong that he never had to come up for air and swam the whole 50 laps underwater. No one even came close to him the whole race, and he won by 10 laps. After the race, everyone was asking him how he did it. He said that he guessed it was because he had moved his arms and legs and held his breath like he was swimming for 9 straight nights on the ship, and that all the quarter pounders he ate built up his muscles and gave him a lot of energy. But, the most credit for his victory he gave to his English teacher for making him read about the Titanic.

Izzy went on to win 10 gold medals in the Olympics and McDonald's gave him ten million dollars to make a TV commercial for quarter pounders with cheese. Izzy didn't have to take a ship home; he had enough money to fly home and he and his family lived happily ever after.

Sara Kirchoffner

TCGA Convention to Draw Over 5,000 From Cotton Belt to Lubbock

The Texas Cotton Ginners' Association (TCGA) plans to bring more than 5,000 people to Lubbock April 6-7 for its 88th annual Convention and Cotton Ginning Trade Show.

"Our theme this year, 'Progressive Leadership for an Aggressive Era,' represents what our Association has achieved for the industry," stated Ron Riley, president of TCGA. "Our progressive leadership has set standards which other organizations are trying to achieve."

The Trade Show will include over 180 exhibits and over 150 of the exhibits are industry related. The trade show will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Thursday and Friday, April 6-7. The admission is free and the public is invited.

A ginners' workshop will be held during the first morning of the convention. The workshop will focus on gin safety. Dusty Findley, manager of safety services for TCGA, will discuss new safety developments and OSHA compliance. "The Do's and Don'ts of Blood Borne Pathogens" will be discussed by Jack Link. Also, Dr. Dan Burchfield, with Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, will present useful information on the treatment of trauma injuries in cotton gins.

Thursday, April 6, a TCGA tour will give spouses an entertaining day. The tour will include a demonstration on "How to Decorate with Cotton," shopping and a "Texas Tasting." Transportation will be provided by TCGA and buses will depart from the Civic Center at 10:00 a.m. Lunch will be Dutch treat.

The National Cotton Women's Committee will host a Fashion Show and luncheon on Friday, April 7 at the Holiday Inn Civic Center Atrium. Tickets are \$15 at the door; however, seating is limited.

Of course, the convention could not be complete without the annual Awards Banquet and Dance. The banquet will begin at 7:00 p.m. Friday, April 7, at

the Holiday Inn Civic Center. Guest speaker for the evening will be D. D. Lewis, former Dallas Cowboy. The highlight of the evening will be the naming of the TCGA "Ginner of the Year."

The dance, featuring the ever-popular Rex Thomas Band, will be held in the Banquet Hall of the Civic Center this year to better accommodate everyone participating. It will begin at 9:00 p.m., following the banquet.

"The 88th annual TCGA Convention should include something for everyone," stated Tony D. Williams, Executive Vice President of TCGA. "We are expecting the Civic Center to be packed from wall to wall."

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OBITUARIES

NOEL DEAVENPORT

Memorial services for Noel Deavenport, 79, will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday (today) at the First Baptist Church at South Plains, with the Rev. Earnest Stewart, pastor, officiating.

Mr. Deavenport died Sunday at his residence. Cremation was under the direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home of Lockney.

He was born November 5, 1915 in Floyd County and was the son of James Wade and Una Walther Deavenport. He married Bethleen Northcutt in 1951 in Clovis, New Mexico. She died in 1972. He married Betty McGuire November 20, 1976 in Lubbock.

He had farmed and resided south of Silverton near South Plains most of his adult life. He was a veteran of service in the U. S. Army Air Corps during World War II. He was a member of the South Plains Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Betty; two stepsons, Max of Plains and Rex of

Lubbock; two stepdaughters, Donna Shaw of Sundown and Gina Chifton of Lubbock; five grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

The family suggests memorials be made to Hospice of the Plains in Plainview.

DIMPLE D. TOLER

Funeral services for Dimple D. Toler, 68, of Amarillo were conducted at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday at Eastridge Baptist Church there with Dr. James Rankin, pastor, officiating. Burial was at 2:00 p.m. in the Silverton Cemetery by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Toler died Saturday, March 25. The eldest child of Milt and Gertie Jasper, she was born February 4, 1927 in Silverton. She was the only girl in a family of seven children. She attended Silverton High School and had lived in Amarillo for 35 years. She was self employed and a member of Eastridge Baptist Church.

Survivors include three daughters, Joyce Toler of the home, Mary LaJuan

and Norma Toler, both of Amarillo; a son, Billy Randall Toler of Amarillo; six brothers, L. C. Jasper and Lloyd Jasper, both of Amarillo, Eddie B. Jasper of Phoenix, Arizona, Joe Jasper and Darden Jasper, both of Albuquerque, New Mexico, and Norman Jasper of Austin; and six grandchildren.

'Life After Loss' Seminar Planned Soon

The American Cancer Society will hold a "Life After Loss" Seminar during the month of April at the American Cancer Society office in Amarillo. Sessions will be held on consecutive Monday evenings, April 3, 10, 17 and 24 from 5:30 until 7:00 p.m.

The American Cancer Society offers this seminar and support group, without charge, to anyone who has experienced the death of a loved one within the past two years, regardless of the cause of the loved one's death.

Dealing with the death of a loved one is one of life's most difficult and stressful experiences. Often people feel lonely and confused because friends and family expect them to be over the death, yet their grieving continues. People may feel angry, guilty, or depressed. Many people find it helps to meet with others who understand. That includes others who are dealing with the death of a loved one, and professional counselors experienced in helping people work through their grief.

In the safe and supportive atmosphere of a small group, "Life After Loss" offers the opportunity to talk about experiences and hear from others in similar circumstances. Participants can begin to understand the grief process, their emotions, and how to deal with them. They can get ideas that may help them day-to-day, week-to-week, and long term. The American Cancer Society offers "Life After Loss" as a community service, at no charge to participants. It is recommended that participants plan to attend all sessions to receive full benefit of the program.

For more information and to register for this program, please contact the American Cancer Society at 353-4306. The American Cancer Society is the nationwide community-based voluntary health organization dedicated to controlling cancer through research, education and service.

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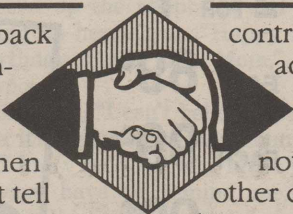
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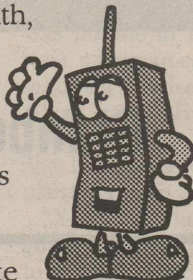
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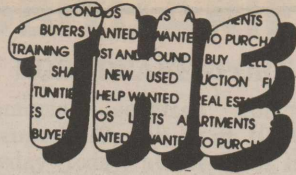


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The Board of Trustees reserves the right to reject any and all bids and waive all formalities in the best interest of the Center. 13-2tc

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE WORK

Sealed proposals for: Metal Beam Guard Fence on Highway SH 256 in Briscoe County will be received by the Texas Department of Transportation located at:

1700 Ave F NW, Childress, Texas until 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, April 18, 1995 Then publicly opened and read.

All prospective bidders are advised that there will not be a Pre-Bidders' Conference for this project.

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The Texas Department of Transportation has an opening in the Childress District for the following positions:

- Summer Maintenance Tech - Childress District 5-25-K503-004
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 - Summer Maint Tech, Striping Crew - Childress Dist. 5-25-K503-008
- Positions close on April 13, 1995 at 5:00 p.m.

For job requirements, duties, minimum qualifications, pay rates and applications, contact your local Texas Employment Commission or TxDOT office.

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Texas Department of Transportation, Childress District, is having a sealed bid opening on Friday, April 7, 1995 at 10:00 a.m. for Janitorial and Maintenance Services. Anyone interested in bidding, please obtain a bid form from Texas Department of Transportation, 1700 Ave. G, NW, Childress, Tx 79201 - Phone (817) 937-7179.

Bids will be accepted until 10:00 a.m., Friday, April 7, 1995 at the following: Texas Department of Transportation, Attn: Robert L. Mills, P. O. Box 900 or Street Address - 1700 Ave. G, NW, Childress, Texas 79201.

It is recommended that all bidders attend the Pre-Bid Conference on Tuesday, April 4 at 10:00 a.m., Childress District Office, 1700 Ave. F, NW, Childress.

Other Pre-Bid Conferences scheduled for the respective service locations:

Childress Area Engineer's Complex
FM 164 Mon., Apr. 3, 1995
Childress, Texas 1:30 p.m.

Quanah Maintenance Office
FM 2568 Mon., Apr. 3, 1995
Quanah, Texas 9:00 a.m.

Clarendon Maintenance Office
US 287 Mon., Apr. 3, 1995
Clarendon, Texas 10:00 a.m.

Bidders may contact offices for a walk-thru of the service areas. Those interested in bidding on Childress, Quanah and Clarendon locations may do walk-thru at time of Pre-Bid Conferences in those offices.

Bids are open on each of the following for Janitorial and Grounds Maintenance Service:

- Wheeler Office and Maintenance Buildings, Wheeler, Texas
- Memphis Office and Maintenance Buildings, Memphis, Texas
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- Wellington Office and Maintenance Buildings (no grounds maintenance), Wellington, Texas
- Silverton Office and Maintenance Buildings, Silverton, Texas
- Childress Area Engineer's Complex and Maintenance Buildings, Childress, Texas

Paducah Maintenance Office and Buildings, Paducah, Texas

Quanah Maintenance Office and Buildings (no grounds maintenance), Quanah, Texas

Matador Maintenance Office and Buildings, Matador, Texas. 12-4tc

More educational meetings designed to provide High Plains cotton producers with information about the boll weevil and the proposed Enhanced Boll Weevil Suppression Program have been scheduled for the week of March 27, according to Lubbock-based Plains Cotton Growers.

Producers in Borden, Castro, Cochran, Dawson, Garza, Hale, Hockey, Lamb, Lubbock, Lynn, Terry and Yoakum counties will have the opportunity to learn about the upcoming High Plains Boll Weevil Eradication Referendum. They will hear more about the boll weevil and the threat it poses to cotton producers across the High Plains.

"For the last thirty-one years the boll weevil has been held in check below the Caprock, allowing cotton producers above that line to grow cotton weevil-free," says PCG Executive Vice President Donald Johnson. "Unfortunately the boll weevil has taken advantage of five mild winters in a row and become a year-round resident in much of the cotton acreage south of Lubbock."

Johnson adds that for producers who have never had to deal with this pest or witnessed its destructive nature the weevil may be even a greater threat.

The effort to keep the boll weevil off the High Plains has been coordinated by PCG since 1964. Until recently the weevil has been kept from moving through PCG's operational territory.

"What has happened," explains PCG Boll Weevil Program Coordinator Roger Haldenby, "is that the weevil has been able to move around the edges of our operational area. It has done this with the help of a variety of factors, the most important of which has been mild winter temperatures."

Haldenby notes that the introduction of grass on more than one million Conservation Reserve Program acres has provided the weevil with suitable overwintering habitat under mild winter conditions, on a very large scale.

In order to meet the boll weevil head-on, the producer members of the PCG Boll Weevil Steering Committee and the PCG board of directors have developed a plan that deals with the immediate threat posed by the boll weevil and also prepares the area for full-scale eradication of the pest beginning in the spring of 1998.

"A stepped-up version of the current diapause control program is proposed. It will reduce the number of infested acres in the southern High Plains and push the weevil back below the Caprock in advance of a full-scale eradication effort in 1998," explains Haldenby.

The plan allows producers on the High Plains to reduce their costs for the overall eradication effort by shrinking the size of the target area as much as possible before 1998. He adds that in addition to its cost-saving aspects, the timing of the eradication portion of the plan maximizes the benefits of eradication efforts now getting started in Central and Southern Rolling Plains counties adjacent to the High Plains zone.

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Addicts Need Treatment, Not an Allowance

Drug addicts and alcoholics don't need an allowance from the government to feed their addictions. They need treatment.

Yet that is what the Supplemental Security Income program, run by the Social Security Administration, currently does: It guarantees substance abusers an entitlement based upon their addiction.

As strange as it sounds, the government now classifies substance abuse as a disability. This means addicts and alcoholics qualify for SSI payments which they can — and do — use to supply their addictions, rather than to obtain food, shelter and treatment. Such a program seems to defy common sense.

SSI payments made under these circumstances provide a perverse incentive to beneficiaries: We pay them to stay on drugs, we pay them not to work, we pay them to avoid recovery.

The drug addicts and alcoholics program within SSI was intended to support these individuals while they were under treatment. But that's not how things worked out. The program is easy to qualify for, but difficult to monitor. Rehabilitation is actually discouraged, because rehabilitation results in beneficiaries being dropped from the program.

In the words of one doctor who has spent her professional career dealing with the problems of addiction, SSI payments "...Undermine the very thing they are supposed to be doing for my patients — promoting their rehabilitation."

In 1994, 101,000 drug addicts and alcoholics were on the SSI rolls and received an estimated \$382 million in federal benefits — benefits that came out of the pockets of responsible, taxpaying Americans.

The SSI caseload of drug addicts and alcoholics has expanded 700 per cent since 1988, when there were only 13,000 such individuals in the program. At the current rate of increase, their numbers are expected to rise to 200,000 within five years.

Sadly, only 10 percent ever recover and drop off the SSI rolls. Taken as an indicator of the efficacy of this program, such a recovery rate is devastating. Government has botched its attempt to provide a safety net, and is instead providing these individuals the means to continue their freefall into addiction.

There is something fundamentally wrong with a government program which pays drug addicts to remain addicted and pays alcoholics to continue drinking. Congress cannot in good conscience continue this policy.

So this week I introduced a bill to stop payments to individual addicts, and instead re-dedicate those resources to addiction research and treatment programs. Public funds will be put to more constructive alternative uses, and society as a whole will benefit because treatment programs reduce criminal justice expenses and the costs of lost productivity.

Substance abuse is taking a horrible toll on our society. The current SSI program is doing nothing to remedy that unfortunate fact. My bill would alter our fundamental approach to substance abuse — and abusers.

Product Liability Law In Need of Major Overhaul

As anyone who's ever been on the wrong end of a lawsuit will tell you, our system of product liability law is slow, unpredictable and quite often inequitable.

Just ask Pete Van de Putte at the Dixie Flag Co. in San Antonio. His manufacturing firm was sued by an automobile dealership because, as an employee was taking down the dealership flag, the flag was caught by a sudden breeze and injured the employee. Van de Putte was sued for not having put a warning label on the flag.

The courts have greatly expanded the scope of product liability law, and the number of cases has ballooned, clogging the court system. In the federal courts alone, these cases have increased by more than 250 percent over the last eight years.

As a result, individuals who deserve compensation for legitimate claims experience seemingly interminable delays. Currently, more than 60 percent of the most severely injured claimants wait more than three years for payment.

This system imposes enormous costs which hurt our ability to create new jobs. In Texas alone, the current liability system costs the state more than \$89 billion a year. In 1988, it impeded job creation to the tune of 79,000 jobs according to a study conducted by Baylor University.

The Texas Legislature has begun to work on tort reform at the state level, but businesses still face a maze of liability laws that differ from state to state.

The costs imposed by such an uncertain system hinder manufacturing and reduce our ability to compete globally.

Liability costs in the United States are 15 times greater than in Japan, and 20 times greater than in Europe.

I believe the legislation proposed in Congress this year represents a balanced approach to product liability reform which will provide predictability for manufacturers and claimants. It will go a long way toward breaking the gridlock in our courts while providing swifter compensation to victims.

It will punish negligent manufacturers while protecting those who are not. It will enhance product innovation and boost American competitiveness.

This legislation would provide a uniform definition of product liability designed to discourage unreasonably excessive awards. And the bill would set individual manufacturers' liability for defective products based on their actual responsibility — not on the relative depth of their pockets.

We can and should enact product liability reform. It is my firm conviction that product liability lawsuits are the only equitable means for allocating responsibility for harm caused by unsafe products. This bill, I believe, would make our tort system swifter, fairer and far more predictable.

Bob Wills Day Coming April 29

Scott and Jane Johnson, publicity chairmen for Bob Wills Day in Turkey, are announcing that this year's event will be held on Saturday, April 29. The 15th Annual Reunion for Former Texas Playboys is being featured this year. There will be at least 35 of the most famous and talented musicians in the country present this year.

Dr. Charles R. Townsend, Grammy Award winner and author of "San Antonio Rose: The Life and Music of Bob Wills," will be present and will serve as master of ceremonies for the afternoon program. His book has been purchased by a movie studio, and Dr. Townsend will be a consultant for the movie.

A dance will kick off the Bob Wills Day activities at the Bob Wills Center from 9:00 p.m. until midnight on Friday, April 28. Texas Playboys will provide the music. Admission will be \$15.00 for couples and \$8.00 stag.

A parade through downtown Turkey Saturday morning will have something of interest for those of all ages. A barbecue will be served at the Bob Wills Center from 11:00 a.m. for \$7.00 a plate. The "Muleskinner" Khiva Shriners will cater the meal, and proceeds will benefit the Shriners and the Bob Wills Foundation.

There will be a fiddlers contest Saturday beginning at 12:00 noon in the Center Auditorium and Gym. Admission is \$3.00.

Saturday at 2:30 p.m., a program will be held at the old football field east of the Center. The program will consist of all the former Texas Playboys present. This will be one of the largest groups ever assembled in one place.

Saturday night's dance will feature Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys. Music starts at 7:00 p.m. and admission is \$15.00 for couples and \$8.00 stag.

Midnight breakfast will be served beginning at 11:00 p.m. in the Bob Wills Cafeteria.

The Bob Wills Museum will be open and souvenirs will be on sale by the Bob Wills Foundation. These will include tapes, records, caps, T-shirts, and Bob Wills Stamp Cachets.

An arts and crafts show will be held Saturday, with many artisans displaying their variety of wares.

The Bob Wills Foundation is a non-profit organization and is operated solely by volunteers.

Disabled People Travel Information Highway

by Mary Jane Shanes
Social Security Office Manager
Plainview, Texas

A friend of mine recently read that public information from the Social Security Administration is now part of the "information superhighway." My

friend wanted to know why we were wasting government money on something most people would never know exists. To my friend, computers and the information superhighway are toys of the wealthy.

The first thing I told my friend was we weren't wasting money. Then I showed him why.

The computer online world can be many things to many people, but for someone who is blind or deaf or mobility impaired, the information made available by the information highway is liberating. Experts say that individuals with disabilities, who tend through necessity to be heavy users of technology, are now moving into the world of computers very quickly. They use such things as speech synthesizers, puff-and-sip straws connected to pointing devices that allow them to pick out letters on a computer screen, and mechanical switches attached to knees or elbows.

"There is not one thing that has happened to this population that is more significant than the electronic highway. It is for us like the discovery of the wheel," said Dick Banks, a blind "adaptive technologist" at the University of Wisconsin who helps people with disabilities get online.

This new emphasis—spurred by the relative inexpensiveness of the new technology—comes at a key time. The Americans with Disabilities Act has been extended to companies that employ as few as 15 people, requiring that they make reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities.

It's difficult to quantify how many people with disabilities are using the Internet, but experts agree the number is rapidly growing as individuals with disabilities go online.

We have many publications online that are designed to provide information to individuals with disabilities.

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