

## All Around The Town

By Mary Ann Sarchet



WOW! Aren't we proud of our Owls and Lady Owls! Both Guthrie and the Owl ladies won their second playoff games last week, showing that our little district is much tougher than some of the other districts.

The Lady Owls haven't been to the Regional Tournament since 1970, and we're really hoping that they make it back to those hallowed halls again this year.

Coach Kyle Bean's New Deal boys have made it to the playoffs again this year. They finished the regular season in a tie for first place, and lost the playoff game, giving them the second seed.

Iwana Monroe was honored on her 80th birthday last Sunday, February 20, in the board room at Swisher Memorial Hospital in Tulia. The celebration was hosted by her three daughters and included the families of her sister, two brothers, grandchildren and nieces and nephews. Attending were Carlye Fleming of Silverton, Marsha Miller of Roscoe, Louie and Mary Strange and Dwain and Shana Strange, Hagen, Kenzie and Krese of Kress, Charles and Mildred Simpson and Tom and Orlie Simpson of Amarillo, Johnny and Bettie Emmitt, Sandra Wilkerson, Johnny and Regina Emmitt and Erin of Tulia, Michael and Wendy Hill of Slaton, and Dena Thomas of Silverton.

Members of the Briscoe County Activities Association will meet at 7:00 p.m. today (Thursday, February 24) at the Showbarn.

## City, School Elections To Be Held May 6

City and School elections will be held Saturday, May 6, at the City Hall in Silverton unless no more candidates sign up for places on the ballot than there are vacancies to be elected.

Terms of office that are expiring on the board of trustees of Silverton Independent School District are those of Tom Burson and Perry Brunson.

City Councilmen whose terms will expire this year are Flute Hutsell, Dwain Henderson and Charles Sarchet.

Those who would like to offer themselves as candidates for these offices may sign up for places on the ballots until March 22.

Prospective school trustees need to sign up in the office of Superintendent Frank Kirchoffner. Those who would like to run for City Councilman may sign up for a place on the ballot at the City Hall.

A type of fish called a bone-fish has a tongue with a crushing power of 60 pounds.

Many spiders can lay 100 eggs at a time.

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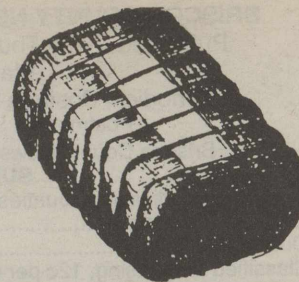
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# Briscoe County News

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The Area Champion Lady Owls celebrate at the conclusion of their victory over Jayton Friday night at Roosevelt. This win qualified the girls for competition against Smyer Tuesday night in New Deal.

## Lady Owls Advance Into State Quarterfinal Round of Playoffs

Silverton's Lady Owls have advanced through the bi-district and area rounds of the state playoffs, and faced Smyer in the quarterfinals Tuesday night in New Deal.

In the bi-district round, the Lady Owls whipped Jayton 54-31 at Ralls to win the trophy.

Sara Kirchoffner led the offense by scoring a big 20 points, including two from downtown. Adding to the score were Taylor Griffin, nine; Amanda Estes, eight; Lisa Comer, six; Chelsey Cherry, five; Julie Weaver and Bryn Mayfield, two points each; Tarran

## Re-Charter Time Here For Scouts

Re-Charter time is here once again for Silverton Boy Scout Troop 262. Any young man between the ages of nine and nineteen is invited to join the troop for a learning experience that will last a lifetime. If you are interested in Scouting or know of someone who is, please see Larry Comer or Rick Minyard.

It is the beginning of a new year with new programs being planned and summer camp is just around the corner. New boys are welcome to visit the Troop, which meets every Thursday from 6:00 to 7:30 at the Scout Hut east of Briscoe Implement. After basketball season, the meeting day will change from Thursday to Monday.

Leaders for the Troop are always being sought and anyone interested in being a leader is urged to do so. Boy Scout leaders are committed to serve

Forbes and Kurby Garvin, one point each.

Lady Owls	15	27	35	54
Jayton	4	11	20	31

In spite of having gone down in the

## Lady Owls Win Second in Power Lifting

Lady Owl power lifters, Amy Maciel, Patricia Acevedo, Maria Vasquez, Elida Garcia, Catherine Reyna, Kurby Garvin, Cindy Allen, Krystle Clinton and Maribel Garcia, combined to win the second-place overall award at their meet on February 12.

Krystle won second, Elida won fourth and Maribel won fifth place.

Clint Ivory won first in the 181 class with a 1155 lbs. total.

Duncan Vernon placed second in the 165 class with a total of 1045 lbs.

Nicholas Vargas won fifth in the 148 class with a total of 895 lbs.

others by helping to install values in young people, and prepare them to make ethical choices over their lifetimes in achieving their full potentials. The values they strive to instill are based on those found in the Scout Oath and Law.

### SCOUT OATH

On my honor I will do my best  
To do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout law;  
To help other people at all times;  
To keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight.

Jayton game with a sprained ankle, Sara Kirchoffner was able to play in the area round against Rotan at Roosevelt last Friday night. The Lady Owls jumped out to a 9-3 first-quarter lead, and led at the end of each period of play.

Lisa Comer led the offense with nine points, followed by Taylor Griffin and Amanda Estes, with seven points each. Also scoring were Chelsey Cherry, four; Sara Kirchoffner, three; Bryn Mayfield, two points.

Lady Owls	9	14	24	32
Rotan	3	11	22	28

Guthrie, representing the same district as the Lady Owls, also has won its first two games in the playoffs.

## Agencies Interested In Public Transportation Asked To Meet

The Texas Department of Transportation is invited representatives of local agencies and communities interested in public transportation to help plan transportation services for elderly persons and persons with disabilities. The program, known as Section 5310, provides funds to private, nonprofit organizations, public entities and as-

## School Track Will Be Closed to Walking, Running For Two Weeks

Silverton ISD's new track will be closed to walking, running and any other activity for two weeks. The final topping on the track requires this time to set up. Thank you for your cooperation.

## Early Voting To Begin Here Soon

Registered Briscoe County voters may cast their votes early in the upcoming Primary Elections. The early voting period begins Monday, February 28, 2000, and continues through March 10, 2000. Voters do not have to have an excuse to vote early.

All early voting takes place in the office of the Briscoe County Clerk, which is open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

## Boy Scouts Are Renewing Their Flag Service

Silverton Boy Scout Troop 262 is once again selling flag service. For \$25 per year the troop will place a flag at your home or business on seven holidays. These include Presidents' Day, Memorial Day, Flag Day, Independence Day, Briscoe County Celebration, Labor Day and Veterans' Day.

Anyone who has not had flag service in the past, but would like to sign up, is asked to call Scoutmaster Larry Comer, at 823-2190, or Assistant Scoutmaster Rick Minyard, at 823-2108. A Scout will be sent to your home to collect and designate a place for the flag.

Proceeds from the flag sales will be used for all Troop activities, including summer camp, purchasing merit badges earned by the boys, camping supplies, and any supplies needed for merit badge projects. The continued overwhelming support of the community with this project is greatly appreciated by the Troop, and makes Scouting possible for the boys involved.

sociations for transportation.

The program provides up to 80 percent of the cost for capital equipment such as buses, vans and other paratransit vehicles used to transport elderly and/or disabled persons.

Interested private or non-profit organizations and local citizens within the Childress District to attend a planning meeting to discuss the most cost effective use of these funds. The meeting will be held at the Texas DOT District Office in Childress on Tuesday, February 29, at 1:30 p.m.

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## SERVICES

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GERMANIA: Lee's Insurance Agency, Box 36, Flomot, Texas 79234. 806-469-5370. 26-tfc

ALCOHOLICS Anonymous and Al-Anon Meetings, Tuesdays, 8:00 p.m., 111 N. Wall St. (1 block north of courthouse), Floydada, 1-806-983-3635. 16-tfnc

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## Fellowship Hall To Be Open Tuesday

The Methodist Church Fellowship Hall will be open Tuesday afternoon, February 29, from 1:00 until 6:30 p.m. Please come by and pick up your dishes. 37-tfnc

*The oldest known American Valentine is a handmade card from the early 1700s. It has a handwritten verse in German.*

*The saguaro cactus doesn't grow its first "arm" until it's at least 75 years old.*

## NOTICE

Notice of Estray: 1 Black Steer weighing approximately 750 lbs. Sold at floydada Livestock Sales, Inc. on 02-09-2000. Anyone having claim on this steer, contact Briscoe County Sheriff's Department at 806-823-2135. 7-2tp

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*When in doubt, tell the truth.*  
-- Mark Twain

*Kangaroos are lactose intolerant.*

*When a porpoise is searching for a mate, it swims upside-down.*

## POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Subject to the action of political party primaries

For Briscoe County Commissioner, Precinct 1:  
Terry Grimland, incumbent  
Norman Strange

For Briscoe County Commissioner, Precinct 3:  
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Pascal B. & Donny G.

*Horses don't breathe through their mouths.*

Words cannot express my gratitude to my friends for their concern and thoughtfulness while I was in the hospital and since I've been home.

Thank you so much for your prayers, cards and phone calls. A special thanks to Laura and Mike and Jay Stinson for staying with me at the hospital. Also a special thanks to the Rock Salt Youth Group.  
Dottie Long

I want to thank everyone who sent me cards for my 80th birthday. I love hearing from my friends and the sweet cards made it a very special time.  
Iwana Monroe

*Tonto's name for the Lone Ranger-Kemo Sabe-means "white shirt" in Apache, and "soggy shrub" in Navaho.*

*Earthworms have five hearts.*

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Morning Worship.....10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.

**SILVERTON  
CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Hal Rogers, Minister  
SUNDAY:  
Sunday School.....9:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship.....10:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.  
WEDNESDAY:  
Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

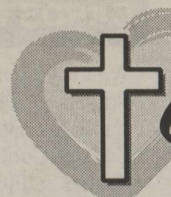
**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Randy G. Mullin, Pastor  
SUNDAY:  
Library Opens.....9:15 a.m.  
Bible Study/S.S..... 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship.....10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.  
MONDAY:  
RAs, GAs, Mission  
Friends.....3:30 p.m.  
TUESDAY  
Mens Group.....6:30 a.m.  
SECOND & FOURTH  
TUESDAYS:  
Baptist Women.....9:30 a.m.  
WEDNESDAY:  
Library Opens.....6:30 p.m.  
Bible Study/Prayer.....7:00 p.m.  
TeamKID.....7:00 p.m.  
THURSDAY  
Ladies Prayer Group.....9:00 a.m.

**SILVERTON UNITED  
METHODIST CHURCH**  
Jay Stinson, Pastor  
SUNDAY:  
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.  
Worship Service.....10:55 a.m.  
Choir Practice..... 5:00 p.m.  
Evening Bible Study..... 6:00 p.m.  
TUESDAY:  
Unit. Meth. Women..... 9:30 a.m.  
WEDNESDAY:  
In-home Bible Study..... 7:00 p.m.  
FRIDAY:  
Unit. Meth. Men..... 6:30 a.m.

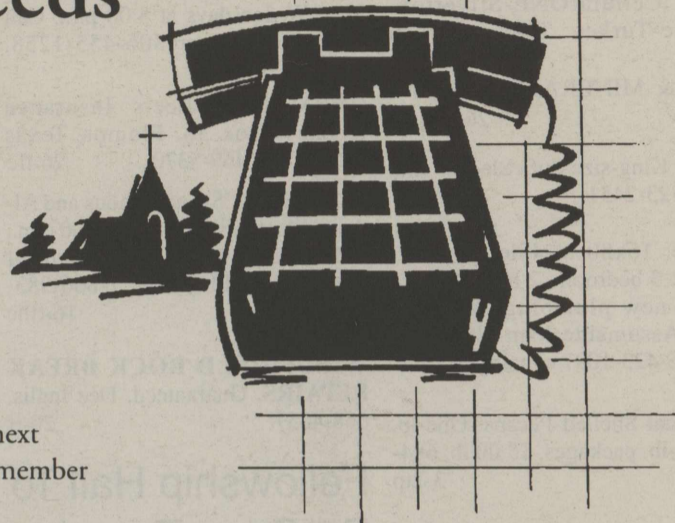
**NEW FELLOWSHIP  
BAPTIST MISSION**  
SUNDAY:  
Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service.....11:00 a.m.  
Training Union.....5:00 p.m.  
Evening Service.....6:00 p.m.  
WEDNESDAY:  
Choir Rehearsal.....7:00 p.m.  
Prayer Service.....8:00 p.m.

**OUR LADY OF LORETO  
CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
Father Ed Graff, Pastor  
SUNDAY:  
Mass.....9:00 a.m.  
WEDNESDAY:  
Doctrina Class.....4:30-5:30 p.m.  
Junior & Senior  
High.....4:30-5:30 p.m.

**ROCK CREEK  
CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
SUNDAY:  
Worship Service.....10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.  
WEDNESDAY:  
Worship Service.....7:30 p.m.

 *God's Love Is Everywhere*

**Everyone Needs  
A Prayer  
Partner**



Our church has a Telephone Prayer Tree which is a list of individuals who pray for the special needs of anyone requesting prayer. Each member, when called, will in turn call the next member on the list, thereby requiring each member to make only one telephone

call. Everyone needs special prayer at some time or another, and praying for each other reflects the true love of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Since God does answer prayer, praying for each other is something that we should be doing on a continuing basis. When a person has physical, mental, family, job, financial, or other problems, it is comforting and reassuring to know that someone cares and is praying for them. We are God's family, and the Bible tells us that He will supply all the needs of our heart, and if you believe, you will receive whatever you ask for in prayer.

*I love the Lord, because He hears me;  
He listens to my prayers.*

Good News Bible Psalm 116:1

**GOD** *Forgives*

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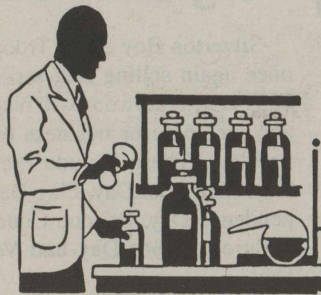
**GERALD LYNN SMITH**

Graveside services for Gerald Lynn Smith, 87, were conducted at 5:30 p.m. Monday at Resthaven Cemetery at Quitaque with the Rev. Anthony Sisemore of Floydada officiating. Arrangements were made by Myers-Long Funeral Directors.

Mr. Smith died Sunday, February 20, at his home southwest of Quitaque.

He was born July 6, 1912, in Decker and moved to Briscoe County with his family in 1928. He farmed in the Haylake community until moving to Quitaque in 1947. In 1961 he built Cottonwood lake on his farm southwest of Quitaque, and he was Conservationist of the Year in 1969. He was a 50-year Mason.

He married Anna Mae Martin in 1939 in Amarillo.



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Survivors include his wife; a son, Dale Smith of Quitaque; a brother, Glenn Smith of Silverton; three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, M. E. and Mary Smith; a sister, Ella Leah Riddell, and a grandson, Shane Smith.

Pallbearers were Andy Wills, Colton Russell, Charlie Parker, J. D. Russell, Blane Kirkpatrick and Raymond Roy.

Memorials may be directed to Hospice Hands of West Texas, P. O. Box 1118, Lockney, Texas 79241.

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**Matthew 4:9-10**

"All this I will give you," he said,  
"if you will bow down and worship me."

Jesus said to him, "Away from me,  
Satan! For it is written: 'Worship the Lord  
your God, and serve him only.'"

**Rock Creek Church of Christ**

**JOSE MARTINEZ GARZA**

Funeral mass for Jose Martinez Garza, 78, of Canyon was held at 2:00 p.m. Monday, February 21, at Our Lady of Loreto Catholic Church in Silverton. Father Roberto Garza officiated and was assisted by Father Ed Graff and Father Michael Caldwell. Burial was in the Silverton Cemetery by Myers-Long Funeral Directors.

Jose M. Garza was born September 26, 1921, and passed away on February 17, 2000 in Amarillo. He was a member of St. Lawrence Cathedral Church. He was preceded in death by his wife, Trinidad Garza in December of 1973.

Survivors include two sons, Ramon Garza of Fort Lauderdale, Florida and Alex Segura of Silverton; two daughters, Cirilda Ramos of Amarillo and Josephine Carrasquillo of Clewiston, Florida; 19 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Johnny Ortega, Rudy Garza, Martin Segura, Fabian Garza, Chris Ramos and Santos Segura.

Memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Association.

**LUETTA NORTHCUTT SHAFER**

Services for Luetta Northcutt Shaffer, 80, who died Sunday, February 19, were conducted at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday at the First United Methodist Church in Perryton, with the Rev. Jim Jamieson officiating. Burial was in Ochiltree Cemetery by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home of Perryton.

Mrs. Shaffer was born in Silverton, was graduated from Silverton High School and moved to the area 56 years ago. From 1948 until 1968 she operated the Credit Bureau in Perryton. She was a member of First United Methodist Church.

She married Frank Shaffer in 1937 in Silverton. He died 1995.

Survivors include two sons, Keith Shaffer and Rick Shaffer, both of Guymon; seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

**CLYDA (NELL) REAGAN**

Graveside services were conducted in Rose Hill Cemetery at Tulia at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, February 22, for Clyda (Nell) Reagan, 75. Officiating was the Rev. Chris Craig, VistaCare Family Hospice Chaplain.

Mrs. Reagan died at 3:10 a.m. Sunday at Swisher Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Reagan was born March 13, 1924 in Trenton, Texas. She moved with her family to a farm northeast of Tulia in 1927. She attended the Tulia Schools, and worked at Douglass Aircraft in California during World War II. She moved back to Tulia about 1947. She married T. G. Reagan July 17, 1948 in Tulia. He preceded her in death June 18, 1971.

After her marriage she lived in Tulia and was a homemaker. She was a member of Calvary Baptist Church in Tulia.

She also was preceded in death by a son, Tim Reagan on July 25, 1978.

Survivors include two sons, David Reagan of Silverton and Tilman Reagan of Plainview; one brother, J. D. Muirhead of Hayward, California; one half-sister, Charlene Muirhead of Tulia; and four grandchildren, including Michael, Daniel and Mark Reagan of Silverton.

**Happy Birthday-**

February 24--Kassi Jasper, Lance Holt, Shanique Hutsell, James Dunn, Lance Stidham

February 25--Waynelle Couch, Joe Castillo, jr., Leah Whitfill, Kyle Couch, Langdon Reagan, Pascal Garrison, Bob Myers

February 27--Charlie Bomar, D'anna Russell, Joshua James Bomar, Kelsie Estes

February 28--Lydia Couch, Lisa Schott, Jimmy Stone, Roy Reed

March 1--Lois Walker, Anthony Minyard, Mary Garcia, Stacy Minyard

March 2--Mark Patton, Ryan Minyard

**Happy Anniversary-**

February 25--Mr. and Mrs. Jay Stinson

February 28--Mr. and Mrs. Eloy Reyna

*In the mid-1800s to the early 1900s people in the United States sometimes gave sarcastic Valentines called penny dreadfuls.*

*Tradition claims that one of the reasons Valentine's Day is celebrated on February 14 is that it's the day the birds choose their mates.*

**Silverton School Lunch Menu**

Monday, February 28--Pizza, Salad, Corn, Garlic Bread, Milk, Sweet Rolls

Tuesday, February 29--Steak Fingers, Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Milk, Honey & Butter

Wednesday, March 1--Mexican Casserole, Salad, Ranch Style Beans, Crackers, Milk, Brownie

Thursday, March 2--Chicken Fajitas, Hot Sauce, Salad, Refried Beans, Chips, Milk, Fruit

Friday, March 3--Hamburger, Cheese, Salad, French Fries, Milk, Cookie

**Silverton School Activities**

Thursday, February 24--TAAS Exit Reading

Friday, February 25--Boys Area Game

Saturday, February 26--Floydada Powerlifting Meet

Sunday, Mar. 27, through Friday, March 3--Houston Stock Show

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*Washing the nose is the best way to clear nasal congestion.*

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# LOOKING BACK

through the files of the  
Briscoe County News

**February 22, 1990--**Rains finally begin to fall here . . . Teddy Hubbard is in Washington, D. C. this week for the 1990 National Young Leaders Conference sponsored by the Congressional Youth Leadership Conference with approximately 400 outstanding high school juniors and seniors from around the country who have been selected for this unique honor based on demonstrated academic achievement, leadership and citizenship . . . Stan Gamble received a commemorative belt buckle as part of his recognition as Fireman of the Year for his faithful service to the fire department during the past year . . . Santos Garcia buried here Wednesday . . . Owlettes overpowered 76-22 by defending state champion Nazareth . . . Ronald McCune and Julie Towe are semifinalists in the Coca-Cola scholarship program . . . Ollie McMinn surprised with birthday party . . .

**February 21, 1980--**Once again the Silverton vicinity was blanketed by a snow cover over the weekend . . . Garland Francis has been a patient at St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo since Friday . . . Valley-Nazareth will have a playoff game for the District Championship in the Canyon High School Gym . . . The Silverton chapter of Future Homemakers of America held its annual Sweetheart Banquet Saturday night, ninety-six members and guests attended, and everyone was warmed, in spite of the snow . . .

**February 5, 1970--**O. C. Rampley, who has been the Silverton High School principal for 15 years, was employed by the board of trustees to be Superintendent of the Silverton Independent School District in a meeting held Tuesday night . . . Danny Perkins was exhibitor of the best finewool lamb of the Amarillo Junior Fat Stock Show. The 114-pound Rambouillet, bred by Obra Watson, was purchased for \$2 a pound by Sears-Roebuck . . . Century of Progress Study Club held its annual meeting in the home of Mrs. Troy Jones with Mrs. Joe Montague serving as co-hostess . . . Jerry Patton was elected to serve as president of the Silverton Volunteer Fire Department at a regular meeting held recently. Others elected were Elute Hutsell, fire chief; Bud Couch, first assistant fire chief; Kenneth Tate, second assistant fire chief; David Tipton, secretary-treasurer, and Vance Childress, fire marshal . . . Louie Kitchens was elected to serve as president of the Silverton Riding Club. Other officers elected were Pat Jarrett, club queen; Jim Brooks, vice-president; Anna Bele Tipton, secretary-treasurer; Mary Turner, reporter; Jack Loudermill, parade marshal, and Weldon Tipton, assistant parade marshal . . .

**February 11, 1960--**Police officers have tried to reconstruct the elements of a Los Linguish Canyon field trip which brought death to three Texas Tech College students. The search for the young men began Saturday afternoon and ended Sunday about noon when their bodies were found. The victims were Kelton Ray Conner, jr., 21, of Dallas; John P. Arden, 21, and Robert A. Keplinger, 21, of

Waxahachie . . . Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Turner observed their 61st wedding anniversary on February 5 . . . Kellum-Goodwin vows exchanged in candlelight ceremony here . . . Mrs. Walter Brannon opened her home on Sunday to provide rest and food for the relatives of the boys who had lost their lives in our community and for those who had come here to assist in locating the bodies of the boys. Friends and neighbors assisted Mrs. Brannon in the hospitalities of the home and in providing the food . . . Mr. and Mrs. Irving McJimsey and George recently hosted a family supper honoring Mrs. W. A. McJimsey on her birthday anniversary . . .

**February 16, 1950--**Capt. Joe E. Haynes' reburial will be in National Cemetery at St. Louis, Missouri . . . Local Post Office given new paint job this week . . . Harold Marler announces this week that he will have his barber shop fixtures installed and work completed in the building recently vacated by the Silverton Pharmacy, and will be open for business Monday, February 20 . . . Bus now running from Childress to Floydada . . . Farmers Coop to meet February 17 to discuss new elevator . . . Owl chances for the district play seem to have dwindled this week due to the result of a couple of ragged tilts. The Owls subdued the Flomot Longhorns; however, in so doing they looked a long way from mid-season form. Lockney's small team beat the Owls Tuesday night . . . Rock Creek Club met February 7 with Margie Turner . . . Mickey Cornett and Ted Bingham of ACC were home Saturday and Sunday . . . Mr. and Mrs. Roy McMurtry returned home from Marlin where they had spent the past four weeks . . . Mrs. Clifford Allard entertained the Pilots Sunday School Class with a sweetheart banquet Tuesday evening at her home. The house was beautifully decorated with house plants and valentine motif. John Vaughan came home from Plainview Tuesday and said his wife's condition was fair. Mrs. Vaughan underwent a major operation several days ago in the Plainview hospital . . .

**March 14, 1946--**Home from the Navy is Willie A. Smithee, shipfitter 2/C, who served 26 months in the Pacific. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Will C. Smithee and received his discharge last week at the Naval Personnel Separation Center at Camp Wallace, Texas . . . Mary Frances Dudley was brought home from the Plainview hospital on Monday. She has been suffering with rheumatic fever . . . Raymond Lee Womack now home from the navy . . . Announcement was made this week by T. E. Johnson that Mr. and Mrs. John N. Merriman of Amarillo had bought the Briscoe County News . . . Decision to erect a new building in Silverton has been reached by the board of the First Baptist Church, and committees have been named to prepare and submit plans to the congregation . . . Miss Carolyn Schott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Schott, was married on Friday, March 8, to J. Vaughter Self, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Self of Clovis. The vows were read in the parsonage

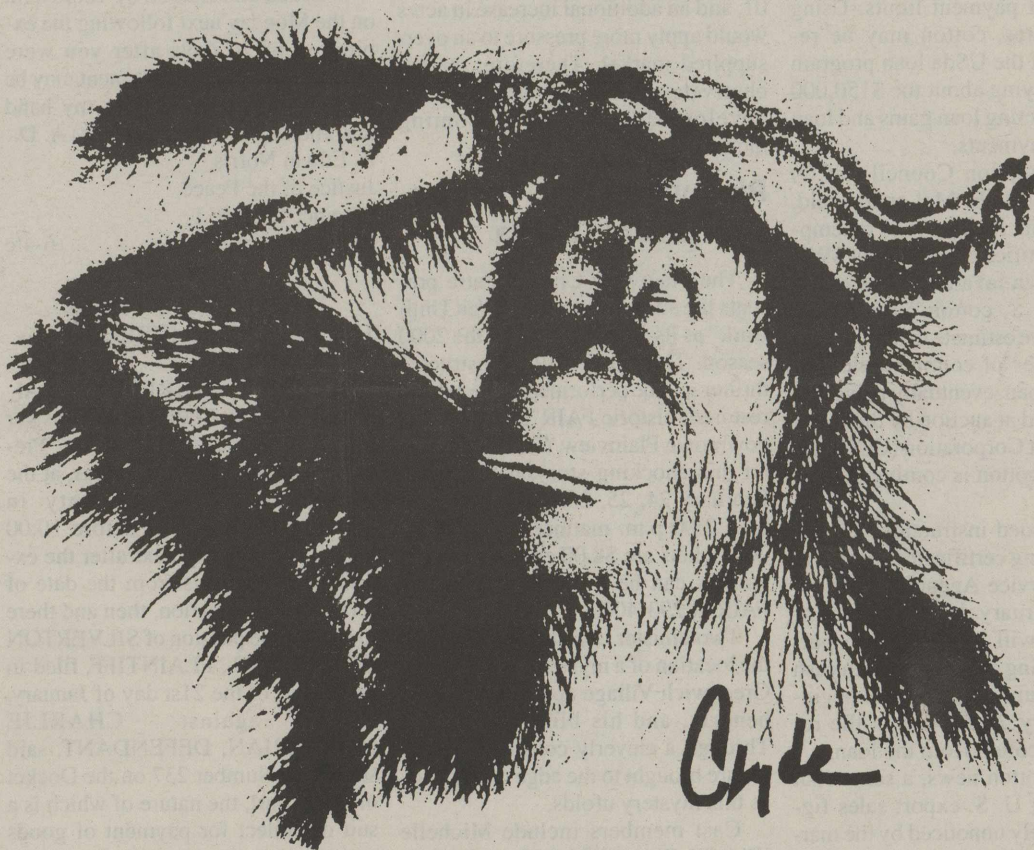
of the Methodist Church in Lubbock . . . Mayor Tom Bomar, who suffered a heart attack almost three weeks ago, is showing improvement this week, but doctors have ordered him to remain in bed for 60 days . . . Friday evening Mr. and Mrs. Barney Stephens entertained with a dinner party honoring Mrs. V. L. Miller who left Sunday to make her home in Amarillo. Those enjoying the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Holt, Mrs. H. G. Finley, Nelda Faye Montague and the honoree, Mrs. V. L. Miller . . . Jerry D. McWilliams and Myrna Sue Bingham underwent tonsillectomies at the Tulia

hospital last Friday . . . Carl Dean Bomar arrived home Saturday for a leave prior to reporting to New Orleans for his discharge. "Hoss" has been in the Navy in the Pacific . . . Gwenlyn Paige celebrated her seventh birthday Wednesday afternoon with a little party for a few of her little friends and neighbors . . . Norman Strange, who has been at work in Tulia, has returned home . . .

**January 16, 1930--**R. F. Stevenson is an expert rifleman . . . R. M. King Grocery moves down Main Street on the W. C. Smithee lot on Main Street

just south of the southwest corner of the square. The sheet iron building of Jno. Burson across the street was skidded onto the vacant lot and remodeled for the grocery firm . . . The London Bridge Club met in the lovely home of Mrs. E. G. Snapka Thursday afternoon. A delightful afternoon was spent at bridge within the warm and cozy reception rooms, after which a two-course lunch was served, consisting of salad, heated grape juice, pickles, jello and cake to the members of the club . . .

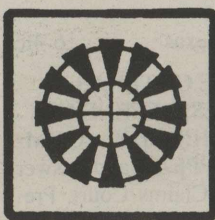
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# Congratulations To The Lady Owls On Winning Area And The Owls Winning Bi-District



The Lady Owls will be advancing to the playoffs. They are (standing left to right) Coach Brian Barnes, Amanda Estes, Chelsie Cherry, Taylor Griffin, Julie Weaver; (kneeling) Sara Kirchoffner, Brooke Garvin, Lisa Comer, Dara Johnston; (sitting) Kendra Rhoderick and Rachel Vangraefschepe.

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Varsity Owls are undefeated district champions. They are (standing left to right) Coach Dan Pendergrass, Adrian Ramirez, Daniel Reagan, Red Ivory, Matt Strange, Issac Garcia, Nathan Francis, Paul Segura, Max Whitworth; (kneeling) Ryan Minyard, Isaiah Ivory, Andrew Francis.

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# TELCOT<sup>®</sup> Report

A WEEKLY SUMMARY OF COTTON MARKETING NEWS

For the Week Ended February 17, 2000

Speculative selling forced the market lower as speculators established record high net long positions from the March contract to May before the nearby contract's first notice of delivery next week. Due to the technical concerns of the market, little attention was paid to fundamental news.

The market is not yet concerned by the news that more cotton should find its way into the pipeline soon. Ag Secretary Dan Glickman authorized a marketing certificate program for loan redemptions this week. The program will be administered so that cotton can be redeemed from the loan at the adjusted world price (AWP), and associated marketing loan gains will not count against payment limits. Using the certificates, cotton may be redeemed from the USDA loan program without worrying about the \$150,000 limit of marketing loan gains and loan deficiency payments.

National Cotton Council (NCC) President Robert E. McLendon said, "This program, making loan redemptions with certificates possible at SWP, will provide an invaluable marketing assist for U. S. cotton." He added, "Without it, we estimate that more than a million bales of cotton would languish under loan, eventually being forfeited and sold at auction by the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) just as new crop cotton is coming to market."

USDA issued instructions for the CCC marketing certificate program to its Farm Service Agency (FSA) offices on February 16. Producers or their agents will be allowed to purchase marketing certificates with cash at state or county FSA offices beginning February 22 for use in the redemption of cotton from the loan.

In other cotton news, a somewhat disappointing U. S. export sales figure went largely unnoticed by the market this week. USDA's export sales report showed smaller weekly sales but continued sizable shipments. Current-crop cotton registrations dropped considerably during the week ended February 10, as USDA reported net export sales of U. S. cotton were a disappointing 69,000 bales. Export sales of shorter-staple, high-micronaire growths continue to dominate the market with Turkey and Mexico as the major buyers.

Although shipments remained active in the week, exports fell 18 percent from the previous week and were seven percent below the four-week average. Additionally, new crop commitments of 26,900 bales reached the highest level since the beginning of the marketing year.

Spot cotton sales were slightly higher as producers attempted to liquidate the limited amount of Texas/Oklahoma/Kansas cotton that remains unsold. A total of 2,812 bales were sold on the TELCOT electronic marketing system in the week ended February 17, a modest increase from the previous week's sales of 2,034 bales. Producers selling their cotton on TELCOT received average daily prices ranging

from 36.70 to 44.39 cents per pound versus the previous week's range of 36.35 to 45.41 cents per pound.

As attention turns toward the upcoming crop, market watchers continue to keep an eye on the weather, especially with concerns that parts of the U. S. Cotton Belt could be facing another drought in the 200-01 season. Soil moisture levels have been low in parts of the Southeast through Texas and even in California.

Ironically, this kind of weather trouble could lead to increased cotton acres since cotton fares better than other crops in dry conditions. U. S. producers already are expected to plant 15.3 million acres to cotton in 2000-01, and an additional increase in acres would apply more pressure to an over-supplied market. Therefore, market observers will closely watch weather developments in the upcoming months.

## Plainview Civic Theatre To Present Drama

The Plainview Civic Theatre presents the suspense drama, "Wait Until Dark" as its opening show of the 2000 season. This masterfully constructed thriller will be performed at the newly-restored, historic FAIR THEATRE in downtown Plainview. Curtain goes up on this shocking story at 8:00 p.m. February 24, 25, 26. There also will be a 2:00 p.m. matinee on February 26. Tickets are \$8.00 each, and reservations can be made by calling the FAIR at 293-4000.

Two sinister con-men have traced the location of a mysterious doll to the Greenwich Village apartment of Sam Hendrix, and his blind wife, Suzy. Through a cleverly constructed plot, we are brought to the edge of our seats as this mystery unfolds.

Cast members include Michelle Whitfill Bumgardner, Randy West, Eric Melton, Wes Naron, Bill Howard, John Winer, Sam Smith and Gene Whitfill. Director is Tommie Sue Quebe.

Group discounts are available.

*Luck is when preparation meets opportunity.*

--Proverb

## New Arrival

Jase and Lindsey Irwin of Lubbock are proud to announce the arrival of their son, Braxton Jennings Irwin. Braxton was born February 15, 2000 at 2:55 p.m. at St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock. He weighed eight pounds and nine ounces, and was 23 1/4 inches long.

Braxton's grandparents are John and Janie Irwin of Amarillo, Rick Jennings of Friona, and Juannah Jennings of Silverton. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Irwin, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. McWhirter, Virginia Jennings and Durene McPherson.

## Public Notice

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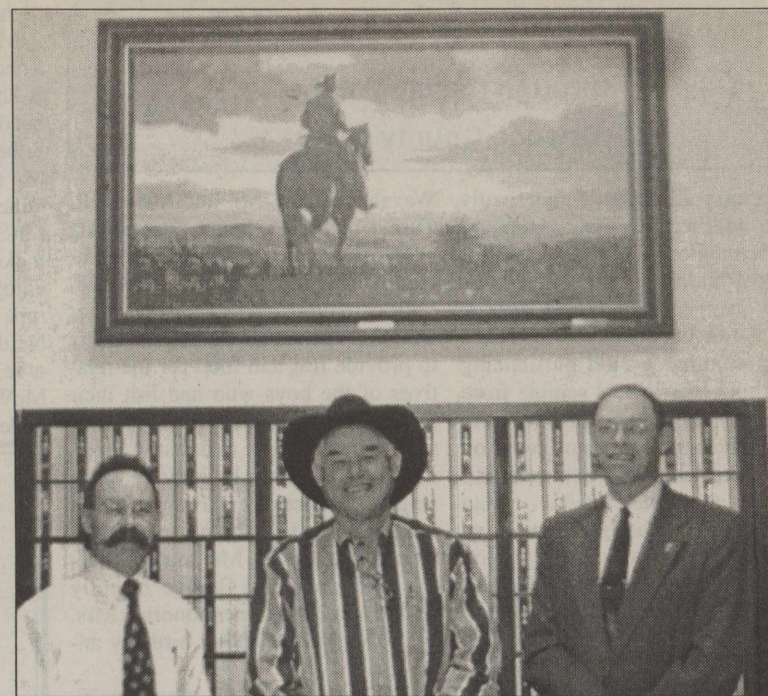
To: WES FARLEY, Defendant  
YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO APPEAR and answer before the Small Claims Court, Precinct 1, Briscoe County, Texas, at the Courthouse of said County in Silverton, Texas, at or before 10:00 a.m. at the Monday next after the expiration of 20 days from the date of service of this citation, then and there to answer the petition of SILVERTON OIL CO., INC., PLAINTIFF, filed in said Court of the 21st day of January, 2000, against WES FARLEY, DEFENDANT, said suit being Number 229 on the Docket of said Court, the nature of which is a suit of collect for payment of goods and services, the amount of same being \$1,027.34 plus pre-trial interest of \$59.91 plus costs of court. NOTICE: You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not appear in the office of the Justice of the Peace who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of 20 days after you were served this, a default judgment may be taken against you. Witness my hand this 2nd day of February, 2000 A. D.  
R. Edwin Norris  
Justice of the Peace  
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Hoot Barkley, Don Brown and Morris Wilcox are pictured with the painting that Brown-McMurtry purchased and has hanging in the Post Office.  
Briscoe County News Photo

## Trappings At the Post Office Catch Public Eye

Generally speaking, folks can usually count a few changes when new people move into a community. Hopefully these changes will be intermingled with fresh ideas that benefit the community. When Hoot Barker became Postmaster in November 1999, right away the Silverton community became witness to some refreshing changes at the Post office.

A new roof was put on the Post Office in December. In January of this year the Post Office underwent a total repaint on the interior and the floors were stripped and rewaxed. The most notable change occurred this past week with the placement of two new western paintings on the walls of the box lobby. The artwork was done by renowned Tulsa native and artist Dr. Kenneth Wyatt.

The paintings were purchased and donated to the Silverton Post Office by the First State Bank and Brown-McMurtry Implement of Silverton. Both pieces envision classic western heritage and cowboy culture that played such a prominent role in the development of the Panhandle region of the state. The staff of the Silverton Post Office has been encouraged by the positive remarks made by postal customers viewing the paintings.

2000, against BRIAN JONES, DEFENDANT, said suit being Number 238 on the Docket of said Court, the nature of which is a suit of collect for payment of goods and services, the amount of same being \$1,918.84 plus pre-trial interest of \$610.73 plus costs of court. NOTICE: you have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not appear in the office of the Justice of the Peace who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of 20 days after you were served this, a default judgment may be taken against you. Witness my hand this 2nd day of February, 2000 A. D.

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"The Selection" was purchased by the First State Bank of Silverton and depicts a cowboy throwing a classic 'hoolihan' loop to catch a horse moving on the edge of a remuda. Walter Arnold remarked that "you don't see that kind of loop much anymore, but it always was a pretty one." The painting in the back of the box lobby is entitled "Early Sun," and was purchased by Brown-McMurtry Implement. It depicts a cowboy astride a horse viewing a beautiful sunrise that is vivid with color. Randy Mullin said that "the painting is really great."

Hoot says, "We wouldn't have picked any better pictures. I think the placement of both paintings is perfect. The 'Early Sun' on the back wall really adds a lot of color and makes it really noticeable from the highway in front of the Post Office. I am so appreciative of Morris Wilcox and Don Brown for their support in this project."

Hoot also remarked that "we are working real hard to improve customer satisfaction with what we do here at the Post office. I am in the process of moving the outside collection box to the east access in order to be able to drive up and deposit mail without having to get out of a vehicle and walk up to where it is now. This will also help relieve some congestion in parking in front of the Post Office."

It is not surprising that the employees of the Silverton Post Office under the direction of the Postmaster continue to strive toward increasing customer satisfaction not only in the areas of retail and delivery services, but also in bringing about pleasant changes that are eye-catching.

*Some historians trace the custom of sending Valentines to a French duke of the 1400s. A prisoner of war in England, he sent his wife a rhymed love letter from his cell in the Tower of London on Valentine's Day.*

*After seeing a valentine from Great Britain in 1847 Ester A. Howland of Worcester, Mass. decided to make her own becoming one of the first makers of commercial valentines in the U. S.*