

All Around The Town

By Mary Ann Sarchet



Shame on you, Mr. President!
I can't believe that our new President would reaffirm his and his father's dislike of broccoli while he was the guest of the President of Mexico who raises broccoli.

These grown men don't seem to realize that broccoli is a very healthful vegetable and one which many parents are teaching their children to enjoy.

Some children don't want to try any of the green vegetables, and I imagine that the Bush dynasty's public comments about broccoli reinforce their opposition to it.

"Well, if the President doesn't like broccoli, then I don't want to eat it either!"

Actually broccoli can be enjoyed in its raw stage or cooked. It makes an excellent low calorie dipper, and if you would like to make a low calorie dip to use with your raw vegetables I have a recipe I really like. Put a carton of cottage cheese into a blender or food processor along with an envelope of dry Ranch Dressing mix and blend. You may have to add a couple of teaspoons of milk to bring it to a good consistency for dipping.

Many people like their broccoli with a cheese sauce on it, but it is very good steamed and eaten without a dressing.

Following is the recipe for a flavorful light country supper that gives you a meal in one pan in about 20-25 minutes.

6 thinly sliced potatoes
1 bunch broccoli, trimmed and sliced
4 sliced carrots
1/2 cup sliced celery
1 chopped medium onion
Salt and pepper
1 lb. Polska Kielbasa
Saute sliced potatoes, broccoli, carrots, celery and onion in oil for 10 minutes. Salt and pepper to taste. Place slices of kielbasa on top when vegetables are tender. Heat 12 minutes, covered.

Enjoy!

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Kelsie Dutton, daughter of Donnie and Leah Ann Dutton of Anton, was featured in the Spotlight on Kids in the daily newspaper last week.

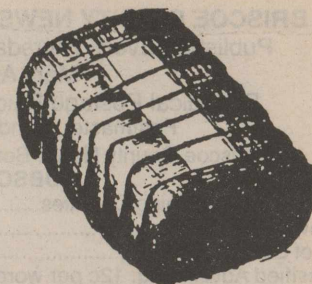
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Joe McWaters will observe his ninetieth birthday on Sunday, March 11. He would appreciate receiving cards from you. His address is Route 1, Box 46, Silverton, Texas 79257.

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Kim and Chad Kimzey, daughter and grandson of Donald and Carlye Fleming, lost everything they owned to a house fire on the evening of February 16. The only items left were the clothes they were wearing. The wood frame



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John Francis recently distributed money from the Caprock Jamboree to other Silverton groups: Bena Hester accepted \$500.00 on behalf of the Silverton Volunteer Ambulance Service; Tobe Riddell accepted \$500.00 for the Briscoe County Activities Association; Jackie Mercer accepted \$500.00 for the Silverton Public Library, and Jerry Patton accepted \$500.00 for the Silverton Volunteer Fire Department and \$1,000.00 for the Briscoe County Showbarn.

Melodrama To Be Presented at Tulia

The Tulia Chamber of Commerce is presenting its fourth annual Melodrama, "Rogue of the Railway," on March 3 and March 10. On the night of the March 3 performance, tickets are \$16.00 and include a ribeye steak dinner.

On March 10, ticket cost is \$8.00 for the show only.

A meal will be served by the Senior Citizens, Texas Tumbleweed, similar to Mexican Stack, for an additional cost.

Dinner music the first night will be provided by O. B. Barnes and the West Texas Ranch Hands. The second night music will also feature O. B. Barnes, along with Jimmy Burson.

A sweet young thing, a dastardly villain, a brave-hearted hero, a wild woman, and worst of all, children, are involved in a most scandalous

farm house in which they were living burned completely to the ground, but fortunately no one was injured by the fire.

Ironically, the house that burned belonged to Doodles Zachary, who married Jo Fleming, Donald's cousin. Late Friday evening Donald received word that Doodles had just died. A couple of hours later, he got another call telling him about the fire in the home of his daughter and grandson.

Some probably remember Doodles Zachary, who resided in Silverton in the 1950's. He was manager of the Tomlin-Fleming Gin.

4-H Events Calendar

March 5, 12, 19 & 26, 2001--Consumer Decision Making practice @ Silverton School library at 3:00 p.m. for Silverton Junior and Intermediate 4-H'ers

March 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29, 2001--Consumer Decision Making practice @ Valley School at 3:30 p.m. for Valley Junior and Intermediate age 4-H'ers and @ 5:30 p.m. at The Sportsman in Quitaque for Senior age 4-H'ers

March 5, 2001--Livestock and Horse Judging and Horse Bowl orientation meeting, after school at the Extension Office

March 7-10, 2001--San Angelo Stock Show

March 13, 2001--For the Record training (record books) in Clarendon @ 6:30 p.m.

March 13, 2001--Silverton 4-H Club meeting at 3:00 p.m. in the library at the Silverton School

plot.

The story is complete with chases, tricky schemes, and even a speeding locomotive racing toward the heroine as she is pinned on the railroad tracks. Surely goodness will win out with such tunes as "A Rose With Plenty of Thorns" and "You Are In Texas" sung by local talent among whom is Dentist Roy McCasland and teacher Debbie Criswell.

All this takes place at 6:00 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center on S. E. 2nd Street (Silverton Highway).

All tickets are sold in advance. For information call the Tulia Chamber of Commerce, 995-2296.

EQIP Program Funds Available

Funds are now available for the 2001 Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP), a voluntary program that allows producers to be paid up to 75 percent on eligible practices. In return producers must sign a five- to 10-year contract.

Funding for EQIP is very competitive. Each application is ranked according to the environmental benefits it provides and the amount of federal assistance to be provided.

To make an application, contact the Farm Service Agency. Once an application has been made, you will be referred to the National Resources Conservation Service for planning and ranking your application. Applications must be completed prior to March 30.

Young People Invited to Skate

Briscoe County Activities Association will be sponsoring the skating rink at the Briscoe County Showbarn Saturday afternoon from 2:00 until 5:00.

Be sure to bring your own skates, skateboards, scooters, etc.

March 14, 2001--Valley 4-H Club meeting at 3:30 p.m. in the home economics room at Valley School

March 20, 2001--For the Record Training (record books) in Amarillo at 6:30 p.m.

Time to Renew Your Flag Service

It's time to renew your flag service from the Boy Scout Troop.

The charge for having the Boy Scouts place a flag in front of your home, business or both seven times a year is \$25.00 for one location and \$40.00 for two or more locations.

Contact Rick Minyard or Larry Comer to renew. The money raised is used for camping equipment and expenses of maintaining the troop.

Incumbents Sign Up For School General Election

The terms of school trustees Zane Mayfield, Bill Strange and Rance Young are expiring this year.

The incumbents are the only ones who have signed up as candidates for the upcoming election.

It is time for those who are interested in having their names placed on the ballot as candidates for these places to sign up at the school office.

The election will be May 5.

Terms of Mayor, Two Councilmen Expiring This Year

The terms of Mayor John Bowman and Councilmen W. D. Rowell and Lane Garvin are expiring this year.

A general election has been called for May 5 to fill these vacancies.

Happy Anniversary-

March 5--Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Lee Perkins

Every dog should have a man of his own. There is nothing like a well-behaved person around the house to spread the dog's blanket for him, or bring him his supper when he comes home man-tired at night.

--Corey Ford

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--Samuel Johnson

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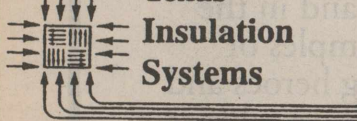
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ALCOHOLICS Anonymous and Al-Anon Meetings, Tuesdays, 8:00 p.m., 111 N. Wall St. (1 block north of courthouse), Floydada, 1-806-983-3635. 16-tfnc

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Personal Assistance Aide. PRN Aide needed to assist patients with housekeeping duties, meal preparation, and other basic everyday household tasks. Patients in Quitaque/Turkey area. Must be 18 years or older with dependable transportation. Early morning hours required. For more information, please contact **Swisher Memorial Hospital Home Health, 539 SE 2nd, Tulia, TX 79088, 806-995-8282.** 7-2tc

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CARDS OF THANKS

Sincere thanks to the Board of Directors of the Caprock Jamboree for their generous donation to the Silverton Showbarn Fund and to the Silverton Volunteer Fire Department.

Thank you for your hard work on the Jamboree. Many people enjoyed the entertainment you provided.

Thanks again,
Silverton Volunteer Fire Dept.

We would like to thank everyone who came to help us celebrate our anniversary. Thanks to our family who helped. A big thanks to Ed Norris for marrying us both times, 50 years ago and now.

Thanks to God for being with us each day.

Thanks for the pretty cards.
Billie Joe and Edwina M. Davis

Rylander's Plan to Expand Sales Tax Holiday Would Benefit Texas Taxpayers

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander has announced her proposal to expand the Sales Tax Holiday from three to five days and add to the list of tax-exempt items safety equipment, school supplies and materials used to make kiddos' clothing. Comptroller Rylander's proposal would save Texas taxpayers an additional \$46 million from 2001 to 2003.

"The Sales Tax Holiday is a tremendous help to hard-working Texas families," Rylander said. "By expanding the holiday from three to five days and adding these items, the sales tax holiday will be less of a traffic jam and save Texans more of their hard-earned dollars for their families."

The items added to the tax-exempt list are buttons, zippers and fabric for mammas who make the clothes; school supplies, including backpacks; and safety equipment, including bicycle helmets, elbow and knee pads, and baby and children's car seats.

"I want to make the Sales Tax Holiday as beneficial to Texas families as possible," Rylander said. "The tax burden on working families is too high and the sales tax holiday provides Texans with much-needed relief."

In 1999, the legislature approved an annual sales tax holiday to fall on the first weekend in August each year, which coincides with back-to-school shopping. No state or local sales taxes are collected on tax-exempt items under \$100.

During the first Sales Tax Holiday, taxpayers saved \$32.6 mil-

lion in 1999 and \$37 million in 2000. Beginning last year, local taxing entities were able to opt out of the Sales Tax Holiday if they notified the Comptroller's office by March 31. Only Sunset Valley, a small community southwest of Austin, chose not to waive its local sales tax.

For more information on the Sales Tax Holiday and a list of exempt and non-exempt items, see the Comptroller's Web site at www.window.state.tx.us, or call the tax assistance hotline at (800) 252-5555.

Powerlifters Win Trophies at Floydada Meet

Trophies won by Silverton Powerlifters at the Floydada Meet Saturday included Trace Mattheus, second; Duncan Vernon, second; Clifton Baker, first; Krystal Clinton, second.

Girls Regional Qualifiers for Friday, March 2, at Colorado City are Meladie Patino, Tarran Forbes, Patricia Acevedo, Kurby Garvin, Monica Garcia, Kassie Strange, Brooke Garvin, Krystal Clinton and Brandi Rice.

Boys Regional Qualifiers for Saturday, March 3, at Levelland are Nic Vargas, Duncan Vernon, Clint Ivory and Clifton Baker.

No great artist sees things as they really are. If he did he would cease to be an artist. -Oscar Wilde

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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.
Ladies Group.....4:00 p.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.
Weigh Down Workshop.....7:00 p.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.

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SUNDAY:

Mass.....9:00 a.m.

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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.

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Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.

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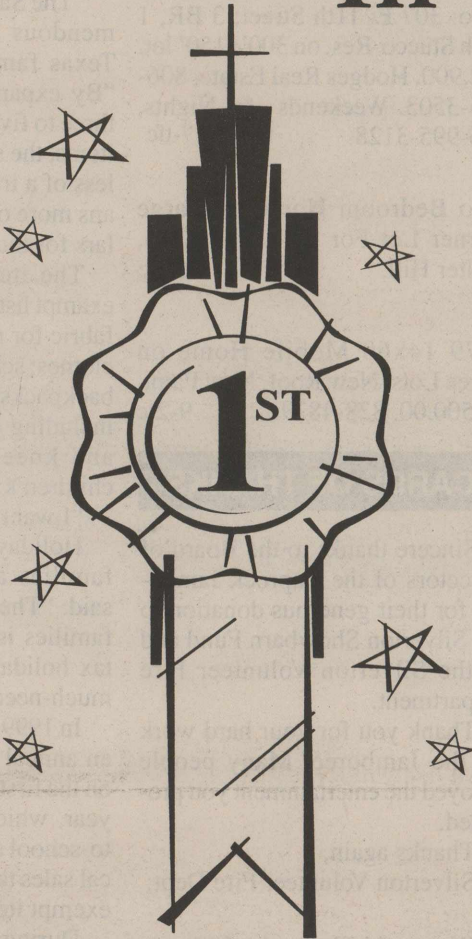
Worship Service.....7:30 p.m.

MONDAY-SATURDAY:

Prayer Meeting.....9:00 a.m.



Bring Out the Best In Others



We all have an obligation to try to bring out the good qualities in others. It is an important responsibility for parents and teachers to recognize and help develop the talents that their children may possess. Coaches, clergy, employers, and even husbands and wives also bear a responsibility to help bring out the best in those with whom they associate. Supporting and caring about others exemplifies the love that God has for us, and in the Bible, there are many examples of ordinary people becoming heroes and heroines because our Lord was able to bring out their best efforts. Being considerate, kind and helpful to others not only brings out the best in them, it also brings out the best in us. It is important to reflect good values and God's love in our everyday life, and we should be mindful that our words and actions do affect others.

*By this shall all men know that ye are My disciples,
if ye have love one to another.*

K.J.V. John 13:35



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Obituary

GILBERT A. ELMS

Services for Gilbert A. Elms, 88, were scheduled at 1:00 p.m. Wednesday, February 28, 2001 at the First Baptist Church in Tulia with the Rev. Charles Davenport and the Rev. Troy Cates officiating.

Burial will be in Littlefield Memorial Park with arrangements made by Wallace Funeral Home of Tulia.

Mr. Elms died at his home in Tulia at 11:27 p.m. Sunday, February 25.

He was born July 12, 1912 in Coryell County, Texas. He was reared in Coryell County and attended schools at Brookhaven and was graduated from Bula High School before attending West Texas State. He married the former Letha Anderson in Littlefield Feb-

ruary 1, 1936.

He served in World War II in the Army Air Force from March 1942 until he was discharged in November 1946. He moved to Lamb County, Texas in 1925 and then to the family farm in Briscoe and Swisher counties in 1950. He was a farmer and rancher all his life.

He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Silverton where he was a Sunday School teacher and a deacon for a number of years.

He moved from the family farm to Tulia in 1998.

He was active in the Farmer's Union, was a member of the Tulia Veterans of Foreign Wars and Tulia Senior Citizens.

Survivors include his wife, Letha, of the home; one daughter and son-in-law, Perry and Shirley Cates of Amarillo; one son and daughter-in-law, Larry and Lynn Elms of Lubbock; three brothers, William Elms of Littlefield, James Elms of Columbus, Texas, and M.

Silverton School Lunch Menu

Monday, March 5--Beef & Vegetable Soup, Cheese Sandwich, Crackers, Milk, Fruit Roll-up

Tuesday, March 6--Barbecued Sausage, Macaroni & Cheese, Onion Rings, Bread, Milk, Fruit with Pudding

Wednesday, March 7--Mexican Casserole, Salad, Corn, Crackers, Milk, Fruit

Thursday, March 8--Steak, Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Milk, Honey & Butter

Friday, March 9--Hamburger, Cheese, Salad, French Fries, Milk, Cookie

Happy Birthday-

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

March 2--Mark Patton, Ryan Minyard

March 3--Ty Lee Gregg, Thomas Rex Wadley, Mary Grantham,

A. Elms, jr., of Lubbock; four grandchildren, Troy Cates, Jonathan Elms, Zackary Elms and Cassidy Elms; one great-granddaughter, Phoebe Elms.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Marion A. and Alice Elms; two brothers, Lonnie Dean Elms and Leeman Elms, and a sister, Fern Bitner.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Tulia Senior Citizens.

Silverton School Activities

Friday, March 2--Girls Regional Powerlifting Meet at Colorado City; Wellington JH & HS Track Meet

Saturday, March 3--Boys Regional Powerlifting Meet at Sundown; Wellington JH & HS Track Meet

Thursday, March 8--Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, March 10--Groom JH & HS Track Meet

Monday, March 12--Spring Break begins and continues through Friday

Friday, March 16--Girls State Powerlifting Meet at Killeen

Connie Simpson, Rena Taitano, Danny Edwards, D'Nae Kellum

March 4--Zane Reagan, Bronco Otis, Emily J'Nae Garcia

March 5--Wayne Cartrite, Wesley Francis, Matt McGinn, Carl Minyard, Enrique Gamez

March 6--Preston May, Mary John Harris

March 7--J. T. West, Diamond Williams, Estelle South

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Pearl Christine Vardell, Deceased, were issued on February 26, 2001, in Cause No. 1439, pending in the County Court of Briscoe County, Texas, to: Gary Chandler.

The residence of the Independent Executor is in Quitaque, Texas; the post office address is:

c/o: William P. Smith
 Attorney at Law
 P. O. Box 119

Silverton, Texas 79257

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

DATED the 26th day of February, 2001.

William P. Smith
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For it is written!! Romans 14:16-19...

Let not then your good be evil spoken of: for the Kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost. For he that in these things serveth Christ is acceptable to God, and approved of men. Let us therefore follow after the things which make for peace, and things where with (one) may edify another!!

For even my friends, If I fight with my own children, the spirit of God is far from me! How much more with you! The Lord God did not say he was coming for a Pentecostal, Baptist, Methodist, Firstborn, OR of Christ, Catholics, etc., etc!! He said!! he was coming for a clean, holy, with no spot, or wrinkle church!! If, the Holy Spirit is within us!! Then we know (Jesus) did away with all these things. I'll see you!! Unity is God's way thru out the world! God bless us all!!

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ACTS 20:35

In everything I did, I showed you that by this kind of hard work we must help the weak, remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

Rock Creek Church of Christ

LOOKING BACK

through the files of the
Briscoe County News

February 21, 1991--Texas Forestry Service has recently given a used 1977 1 1/4 ton Dodge four-wheel drive pickup to the Silverton Fire Department . . . Holly Nance, first, Vanessa Martin, second, and Johnny Leal, third, won awards in the Soil Conservation Service essay contest . . . Lindsey Weaks, Matt Martin and Vance Lemons were Briscoe County winners of the Soil and Water Conservation poster contest . . . Services conducted for Nelle Bryant, 92; Sid Richards, 89, and Art Sommerfeld, 52 . . .

February 19, 1981--Charles M. Payne, 53, buried in East Mound Cemetery at Matador. He had cancer, and failing health had forced his early retirement from his teaching career. He was a former Silverton Elementary School principal and teacher . . . Volunteers are needed to help with the Silverton Relays on Saturday, March 14 . . . Mrs. Ashel McDaniel is a patient at Central Plains Hospital in Plainview . . . John Francis, Silverton farmer, has been named Lockney Care Center Volunteer of the Month. Since 1976 he has been taking a group from Silverton to the Care Center each Monday to lead devotionals and sing for the residents . . .

February 18, 1971--Dick Lowrey buried at Wayside . . . Young Farmer officers to be installed Saturday night are Dwain Henderson, president; Alton Riddell, secretary and treasurer; Donald Perkins, vice president, and Fred Minyard, reporter and scrapbook chairman . . . Miss Cathey Clem and Gary Weaks were united in marriage in a double-ring ceremony at the Roaring Springs Church of Christ Saturday . . . Gene Mayfield, who went from outstanding quarterback at West Texas State University to greater distinction as a Texas high school coach, was named director of athletics and head football coach at his alma mater last week . . . Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Boyles announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Linda Elaine, to David Gene Purcell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Grady Purcell of Quitaque . . .

March 2, 1961--Winners in the 4-H, FFA Hybrid Grain Production Contest were awarded prize monies totaling \$200.00. Jim Reid, who harvested 7,600 pounds of Tex 650 on his one-acre plot, was first-place winner. His prize money totaled \$42.00. Second-place winner in the irrigated division was Riley Harris, who harvested 6,460 pounds of Tex 650 on his test plot. His prize money totaled \$31.00. Third place winner in this division was John Montague, who grew 6,100 pounds of Tex 620 as his entry. John received \$21.00 . . . Miss Joy

Morrison to wed Robert Caraway . . . Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Montague and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Montague spent a long weekend skiing at Red River, New Mexico . . . Mrs. Elbert Dickerson and Robert McPherson were in Plainview on Friday of last week . . .

February 6, 1941--In the basketball thriller of the year, the Silverton Owls defeated the strong Carey team here Saturday night. At the end of the game the score was tied up 29-29, but in the playoff period, Rex Douglas sank the winning goal for the final score of 31 to 29 for Silverton . . . Editor Roy Hahn wrote: "I saw old Joe O'Neal today, and among other complimentary remarks, he said, 'Roy, you are just like a darn flea that gets on a man's back, right in the middle, just out of reach, and starts pestering him.' Now Joe is probably just right--in fact upon taking inventory of myself I know he is right. And I can't think of a single good thing to say for a flea or anyone who employs the tactics of a flea. However, in the words of the immortal Popeye, 'I yam what I yam'" . . . The Jolly Stitchers met in the home of Mrs. Carver Monroe Wednesday for an all-day meeting . . . Tom Brooks from W. T. is home visiting his parents for a few days . . . Mr. and Mrs. J. Lee Francis and Mr. and Mrs. Alton Steele visited Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Sams in Lockney Sunday afternoon . . .

April 11, 1946--Tribute to the memory of Mrs. W. T. Shelton, 80 years old, was paid Monday morning at 10 o'clock at the Methodist Church . . . Three write-in candidates were elected as trustees of the Silverton Independent School District Saturday. They were R. H. Stodghill, L. K. Gilkeyson and C. M. Chappell . . . Formal opening of Seaney Appliance and Hardware will be held Saturday . . . Masters degree in Masonry will be conferred upon L. E. Paige and Henry Price at a called meeting of Silverton Lodge No. 754 Monday night . . . Lynn Welch arrived home Saturday night with a discharge from the Navy after spending two years, six months and 21 days in the Pacific theater of war . . . Robert Isbell, Johnny Ted Bingham and Mickey Cornett will enter calves in the Plainview Fat Stock Show . . . Mrs. Roy McMurtry, Mrs. Bob Dickinson, Mrs. Chester Burnett and Mary Tom Bomar visited Mrs. J. L. Bice, Mrs. Bob Hill and Mrs. Bruce Gerdes at the Tulia hospital Friday . . . Miss Lois Arnold became the bride of Roy Mack Walker in a double-ring ceremony read at the College Heights Baptist Church in Plainview Sunday. Rev. G. A. Elrod, pastor of the Silverton Baptist Church, officiated at the rites . . . Mary Charlotte Tunnell

became the bride of Willie Amel Smithee in an impressive ceremony in Canyon Monday . . . Carl Dean Bomar, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bomar, left Sunday for New Orleans where he expects to get his discharge . . .

January 9, 1930--Six-inch snow boosts wheat prospects for 1930 . . . S. J. Bailey named foreman of Grand Jury . . . H. C. Claunch, a 19-year-old youth of the Wallace community, has been declared winner of the state in the Master Pupil contest of vocational agriculture for 1928-29. The honor carries with it a money award of \$100 and the right to compete for the National Master Pupil designation at Kansas City . . . Quitaque Lions will put on a play here . . . Paul Reid, Ashel McDaniel and Homer Vaughan spent Sunday afternoon with Coy Chappell . . . The home of S. T. Wynn on Braidfoot Street was heavily damaged by fire Tuesday afternoon . . . Feed out beeves at home, says banker . . . Important mid-winter social event held by Mmes. Frank P. Bain and T. R. Whiteside . . . Joyful gathering in J. Lee Francis home Christmas . . . The power of the printed word continues to be demonstrated along with the truism that the "Way of the transgressor is hard."

Rabies Remains Threat in Area

Rabies appears to be on the rise in the Texas Panhandle and South Plains, suggesting the need for continued caution on the part of all residents.

In 2000, the Panhandle and South Plains area had 26 animal cases of rabies, a 73 percent increase over the 15 cases recorded for 1999.

Panhandle and South Plains counties reporting animal cases of rabies in 2000 were Randall, six cases; Deaf Smith, five; Bailey, three; Parner, three; Lubbock, three; Dallam, two, and one each in Castro, Gray, Hale and Lamb.

Last year's cases included 25 caused by a skunk rabies variant (infecting 17 skunks, five cats, one cow and a bobcat) and two caused by the bat variant.

Statewide, some 830 animal rabies cases were reported in 1999,

Sheriff N. R. Nonea and Deputy Clay Fowler have been mailing out broadsides, printed by the News, containing description of nine men wanted by the district court for felonies. One was apprehended through the reward notices, and was arrested at Ballinger and turned over to Sheriff Honea . . .

compared with 400 the year before--a 107 percent increase. Most of the cases were skunk rabies variants (605 cases, an 160 percent increase). In addition, the 166 cases due to bat rabies variants represented an increase of 84 percent.

According to Texas Department of Health veterinarian James Alexander, March through May is traditionally the peak period for rabid skunk reports, and recent information shows increased skunk populations across the area.

"Rabid skunks can easily enter a fenced yard and expose pets," Alexander said. "If your pet is not currently vaccinated against rabies, now is the time to have it done."

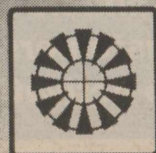
In January, Randall County had the region's first rabies case of the year. A rabid skunk was found at a residence in southwest Canyon. This is the first rabid animal reported within the Canyon city limits in more than 15 years.

No humans were exposed; however, two dogs were exposed to the rabid animal. One dog had to be destroyed. The other received a booster vaccination and is in isolation for 45 days.



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Official Notice of Nominating Committee Meeting

10:30 a.m. March 7, 2001

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In accordance with Article IV, Section 4.06 of the Bylaws of Lighthouse Electric Cooperative, Inc., the Board of Directors has appointed a Committee on Nominations to prepare a list of nominations for Directors to be elected at the annual membership meeting of the Cooperative on April 26, 2001. Three (3) Directors, one each from District 6, District 7, and District 9, will be elected in 2001. Although Directors are nominated from the District which they represent, all members in attendance at the annual meeting vote on all candidates who may be properly nominated.

SECTION 4.02 QUALIFICATIONS

No person shall be eligible to become or remain a director of the Cooperative who is a close relative of an incumbent director or an employee of the Cooperative, or is not a member in good standing of the Cooperative and receiving service within the District he represents; PROVIDED, that the operating or chief executive of any member which is not a natural person, such as a corporation, church, etc., or his designee, shall be eligible to become a director, from the Directorate District in which such member is located, if he or such designee (1) is in substantial permanent occupancy, direction or use of the premises served by the Cooperative, and (2) is a permanent and year-round resident within or in close proximity to an area served by the Cooperative; BUT PROVIDED FURTHER, that no more than one (1) such person may serve on the Board of Directors at the same time. No person shall be eligible to become or remain a director of, or to hold any other position of trust in, the Cooperative who does not have the legal capacity to enter into a binding contract or is in any way employed by or financially interested in a competing enterprise, or a business selling electric energy or supplies to the Cooperative, or a business primarily engaged in selling electrical or plumbing appliances, fixtures or supplies to, among others, the members of the Cooperative. No person shall take or hold office as a Director who is the incumbent of or candidate for an elective public office in connection with which a salary is paid.

SECTION 4.05 DIRECTORATE DISTRICTS

The territory served by the Cooperative shall be divided into nine (9) Directorate Districts. Each District shall be represented by one director and the Districts are described upon the map on the territory served by the District attached to the Bylaws and made a part hereof.

SECTION 4.06 NOMINATIONS

It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors to appoint, not less than thirty (30) days nor more than one hundred eighty (180) days prior to the date of the meeting of the members at which directors are to be elected, a Committee on Nominations, consisting of not less than five (5) nor more than eleven (11) members. The Committee shall prepare and post at the principal office of the Cooperative at least twenty (20) days prior to the meeting a list of nominations for directors to be elected, listing separately the nominee(s) for each Directorate District from or with respect to which director must, pursuant to this Article, be elected at the meeting. The Committee may include as many nominees for any director to be elected from or with respect to a Directorate District as it deems desirable. Any fifteen (15) or more members of the Cooperative, acting together, may make additional nominations in writing over their signatures, listing their nominee(s) in like manner, not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the meeting, and the Secretary shall post such nominations at the same place where the list of nominations made by the Committee is posted. The Secretary shall mail to the members with the notice of the meeting, or separately, but at least ten (10) days prior to the date of the meeting, a statement of the names and addresses of all nominee(s) for each Directorate District from or with respect to which a director must be elected, showing clearly those nominated by the Committee and those nominated by petition, if any. The chairman at such meeting, after all nominations so made have been duly announced, shall call for additional nominations from the floor and shall ascertain and announce, after any nominations made from the floor, the particular Directorate District from or with respect to which any additional candidates have been nominated.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR 2001

District 6	
Edward Weil RR 2 Box 24 Hale Center, Texas 79041	Glenn Curtis P. O. Box 731 Petersburg, Texas 79250

District 7	
Deryl Evans RR 3 Box 76 Floydada, Texas 79235	Jakey Younger 827 W. Jackson St. Floydada, Texas 79235

District 9	
Dwight Floyd RR 2 Box 102A Memphis, Texas 79245	James Cox 320 S. 7th Street Memphis, Texas 79245

TEXAS AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION SERVICE

News Provided By
Brandon McGinty, CEA-Ag

Severe drought during the past four years has taken its toll not only on Texas crops and rangeland, but also on urban lawns and landscapes. With spring planting season right around the corner, many homeowners may be faced with the dilemma of replacing dead grass in their lawns.

When choosing plants, keep water conservation in mind and find out how much water will be required to maintain the plants. Rake up dead material before planting.

To increase water-holding capacity and reduce the need for irrigation, break up the soil with a spade and add mulch or compost. Sod squares or plugs of grass can be found at a local garden center. Water the area thoroughly and wait until night time temperatures are at least 68 degrees before the grass is planted.

The reason so many people never get anywhere in life is because, when opportunity knocks, they are out in the backyard looking for four-leaf clovers.

--Walter P. Chrysler

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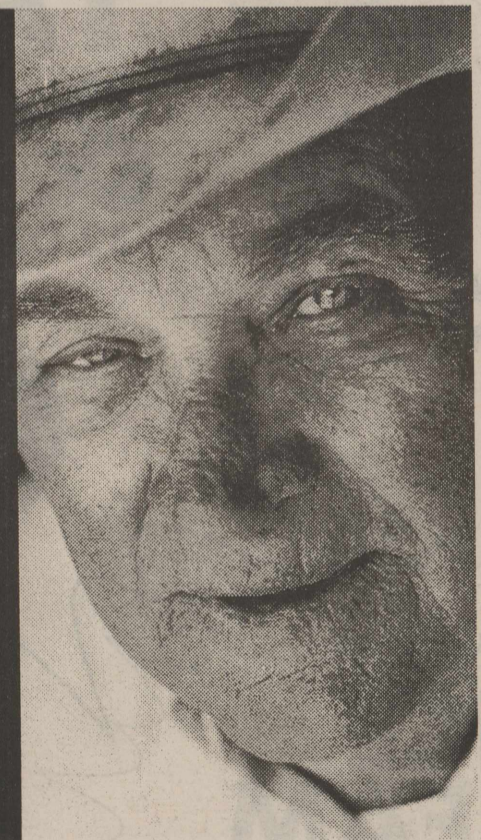
"Don't squat with your spurs on."

Eugene Shipp worked maintenance for an electric coop for twenty-eight years. During an ice storm in '78, he worked thirty-eight hours straight, fixing downed lines and restoring power. He retired two years ago to spend more time on his ranch, working his own hours. He uses coop power; he knows he can count on it.

Eugene belongs to a Smart Choice cooperative. What's "Smart Choice?" We're a coalition of West Texas coops committed to making the right decision on electric deregulation.

The goal of deregulation is to bring the benefits of retail competition to the power industry. But so far, in states such as California and Pennsylvania, reality has fallen short of the promise, often bringing higher rates and even outages. The Legislature gives coops the opportunity to decide whether they will opt in or out of deregulation. We intend to take advantage of that to be sure deregulation is right for our owner-members.

Texas electric cooperatives have been providing power to Texans since 1937. As coops, we are non-profit and member-owned. Watch for other articles to learn more about us and how we're responding to the challenge and opportunity of electric deregulation.



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Dara Ramsey is Bridal Shower Honoree Here

A miscellaneous bridal shower honoring Dara Ramsey, bride-elect of Cory Chandler, was held in the Pioneer Room of City Bank in Silverton on Saturday, February 24, 2000. Guests were registered in the bride's book and greeted by Ramona Martin and presented to the bride and her mother, Anita Ramsey, and to her future mother-in-law, Vonaceil Chandler.

The refreshment table was covered with an ivory lace-edged cloth. The centerpiece featured a

ceramic gazebo entwined with ivy holding a Dreamsickle bride and groom figurine. Sausage balls, miniature blueberry muffins and cinnamon rolls, thumbprint cookies and fresh fruit with fruit dip were served along with sparkling pineapple punch from crystal appointments. Assisting at the serving table were Chelsey Cherry and Misty Wilkinson

The hostess gift to the couple was a set of "The Main Ingredient" stainless steel cookware and the centerpiece from the serving table.

Special guests were Vonaceil Chandler, mother of the groom; Debbie and Jamie Wellman and Carol Ramsey, aunt of the bride,

all of Quitaque.

Other out-of-town guests were Immogene Drerup, Tracy and Treva Ramsey, Nazareth; Nelta Green, aunt of the bride, Plainview; Elaine and Kaley Green, Sunray; Glenna Jameson, aunt of the bride, Kress; Jackie, Nicole and Stacie Green, Tahoka; Wanda Chadwick, aunt of the bride, and Jordan, Amarillo.

Hostesses included Marsha Brunson, Cathey Weaks, Dorothy Martin, Sheila Brooks, Deb Burson, Sheryl Breedlove, Linda Oetgen, Gail Wyatt, Ramona Martin, Jimmie Sue Estes, Debbie Holt, Frances Gamble, Kathy Kingery, Rhenda Burson, Bena Hester, Jonetta Ziegler, Mary Jo Brannon and Lisa Cherry.

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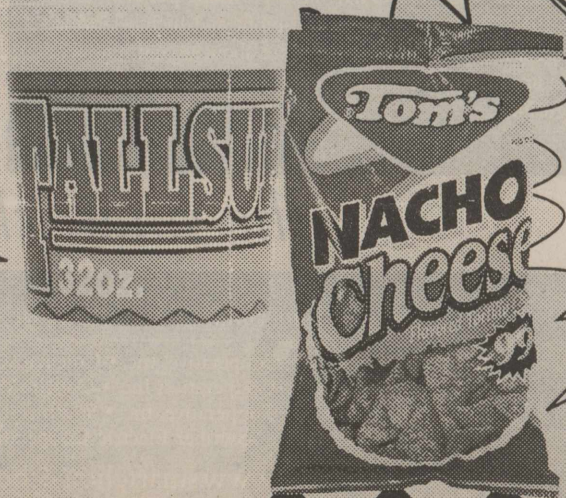
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Friday March 2	Time	Gate	Clock/Books	Concession Supervisor	Concession	Concession	Concession
Kyle Fuston Jay Stinson	5:00	Kippi Cogdell	Bill/Shana Strange	Letisa Stidham Kim Minyard	Marcos/Jamie Scarborough	Connie Simpson	
Kippi/Jana Bronc/Amy	5:45	Jan Curry	Kyle/Amy Fuston		Mike/Laura Long	Eddie/Charolette Rhoderick	
Connie Simpson Mari Patino	6:30	Paula Montague	Ted/Jennifer Daughtery		Clarence/Diana Ivory	Bronc/Amy Otis	
Kippi/Jennifer Ross Estes	7:15	Valorie Mullin	Mark/Derinda Patton		Palmira Ramirez	Santos/Mary J. Garcia	Judy Segura
Tuesday March 6	Time	Gate	Clock/Books	Concession Supervisor	Concession	Concession	Concession
Kippi/Jana Randy/Deborah	5:00	Olga Garcia	Lance/Letisia Stidham	Letisa Stidham Lucinda Smith	Norbie/Tonia Garcia	Obelia Bullock	
Letisia/Tonia Bronc/Amy	5:45	Tammy Smith	Derrell/Dixie Johnson		Sloan/Deborah Grabbe	Bryan/Lana Burson	
Mari Patino Diana Ivory	6:30	Hope Patino	Scott/Tonnette Perkins		Dick/Kippi Cogdell	Lucinda Smith	Rosa Vargas
Scott Perkins Kippi/Jennifer	7:15	Mari Patino	Rhet/Sylvia Perkins		Eloy/Ernia Reyna	Jeff/Vickie Tiffin	Angelia White

WEATHER

6:00 A.M. Daily February
Weather Readings

	High	Low	Precip.
1	42	21	
2	40	20	
3	50	20	
4	55	33	
5	53	31	
6	69	32	
7	53	33	
8	72	33	
9	63	20	.44
10	31	15	
11	43	16	
12	53	28	
13	66	29	

14	62	45	
15	61	28	
16	51	28	
17	42	17	
18	55	17	
19	59	30	
20	76	32	
21	78	32	
22	53	29	
23	48	31	.01
24	58	38	.31
25	58	30	
26	61	32	
27	63	45	
Total Precip. in Feb.			.76
Normal Precip. for Feb.			.60
Total Precip. in 2001			2.60
Normal Precip for 2001 to Date			1.25

Flower Beds Should Rise To The Occasion

Texas gardeners are finding that building raised flower beds, rather than planting deep into the soil, can open more options for landscapes. Raised beds allow you to use a lot of space regardless of the soil type. Anyone can build a raised bed. The main thing to think about is what you want it to look like when you are done. Site selection, drainage considerations, design and irrigation needs are important in the pre-building phase. Decide the ultimate purpose of the bed and if it will be used for perennials or vegetables. While the style and materials of the raised bed are aesthetically important, the type of soil used helps maintain new plants.



Texas Agricultural Extension Service

Riding in an Open Pickup Bed is Dangerous

Provided by
Cory Payne, County Extension Service-FCS

Every year there are crashes involving children or adolescents riding in the bed of a pickup truck. If these victims are lucky enough to survive, they could still sustain head injuries, which can take years to recover from. Too often victims don't survive.

Because riding in the open bed of a pickup is so dangerous, it is also illegal for children to be under the age of twelve.

To prevent injury and possible death, never ride in the bed of a truck and buckle up every time you are in a vehicle.

Caregivers Must Care For Themselves Too

Care giving for older family members is an issue that needs to be addressed before the need arises. Financial information needs to be discussed and important docu-

ments like wills, health care, and insurance papers need to be filed.

Four to five percent of people over 60 years of age are living in nursing homes, and about 15 percent require assistance from family. Often one person is the designated caregiver with other family members helping out.

Caring for another adult is stressful, and a caregiver must always remember to take care of his or her own personal needs as well.

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Third Grade--Marchell Curry, Logan Fabela, Emily Long, Tamra Metcalf, Adam Mullin, Molly Stinson

Fourth Grade--True Burson, Torrey Fuston, Shawn Johnson, Charla Rhoderick, Reese Scarborough, Nichole Schott, Townlil Ziegler

Fifth Grade--Cooper Cogdell, Shane Estes, Shandy Forbes, Angela Hunt, Jasmin Ivory, Lindsey Mullin, Mark Reagan, Laura Scarborough

Sixth Grade--Dusty Burson, Ory Johnson, Drew Reed, Clay Strange

Seventh Grade--Jacob Francis, Gid Mayfield, Thor Patton, Tanner Young

Eighth Grade--Max Comer
Ninth Grade--Caleb Francis, Lori Griffin, Tyler Reed, Daryl-Ann Reynolds, Kelcy Simpson

Tenth Grade--Patricia Acevedo, Krystle Clinton, Bryn Mayfield, Galen Smith, Kassie Strange, Jenny Young

Eleventh Grade--Amanda Estes, Andrew Francis, Elida Garcia, Kurby Garvin, Amy Maciel, Matt Strange

Twelfth Grade--Taylor Griffin, Idalia Hernandez, Julie Weaver, Tyler Young

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