

All Around The Town

By Mary Ann Sarchet



We're still operating the Briscoe County News across the street in the Briscoe Implement building. They're being so nice to us that in a few days I may not want to move back.

Thanks for the cooperation of our customers during this time. We really can't move anything back across the street until the re-roofing is done and the place is cleaned up, but maybe that will follow before too long.

Several events are planned at Caprock Canyons State Park during May.

One is **Birding 101**. Have you always wanted to learn about birds but didn't know where to begin? Join park officials for a short lesson in identification and then head out to test your skills. If you are an expert, this will be fun for you, too. Begins at 9:00 a.m. Regular park fees apply.

Edible and Useful Native Plants--Did you ever wonder what the berries on that plant might taste like? Is it poisonous? Join park rangers for a program about the edible and useful plants of Caprock Canyons. Begins at 7:00 p.m. Regular park fees apply.

Project WILD Educator Training--Environmental education training designed to help educators and youth group leaders teach about wildlife and the environment. Open to teachers, boy and girl scout leaders, and other professionals dealing with kindergarten through twelfth grades. Free for participants. **Reservations required** 806-455-1492. Begins at 9:30 a.m.

Upper Canyon Loop Hike--This is a six to seven mile hike that will take the group up North Prong Canyon, across Haynes Ridge, and down South Prong Canyon. This is only for those in good physical condition. Bring lots of water and a sack lunch. Regular park fees apply. Begins at 9:00 a.m.

Bat Tour--Learn about the history of the area as Queen of the Valley Tours takes the group down the Trailway to Clarity Tunnell. Arrival will be in time to learn a little about bats before their evening flight. Return time depends on bat flight, but it will be late. Cost: \$10 adults, \$8 seniors and children under 13. **Reservations required** (minimum of 10 participants). Begins at 7:00 p.m.

Texas Panhandle Memorial Trailride--Join the Panhandle Trailriders Association for a week-end of fun, food and entertainment. Bring your own horse or mule or rent one in Quitaque. This is a fundraiser for improvements to the equestrian area at Caprock Canyons. **Reservations required**. Call Gene Barksdale at 806-622-2982. Registration \$110 (includes food,



Briscoe County News

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Pre-K, Kindergarten Day Will Be Held Here on Friday, May 4

Silverton ISD will have Pre-K and Kindergarten Pre-Registration Day on Friday, May 4, 2001 for the 2001-2002 school year.

Students must be four or five years old by September 1, 2001.

Students going into Kindergarten will meet from 9:30 - 11:45. Students going into Pre-K will meet from 10:00 until 11:40. Lunch will be served during this time.

Please bring a copy of your child's Social Security card, *original* birth certificate, and current immunization record with you.

The original birth certificate can be obtained from the court house in the county where the child was born. If you need to obtain this by mail, Mrs. Burson has forms for this purpose. There also will be an Immunization Clinic from 10:00 until 12:00 that day for anyone who is in need of an immunization.

The current Kindergarten class will enjoy the day off.

Skating Saturday At the Showbarn

Everyone interested in roller skating and/or rollerblading is invited to the Showbarn from 2:00 until 5:00 Saturday. At this time, the Showbarn will be turned into a skating rink for the pleasure of those who enjoy it.

There will be some soft drinks and candy available for sale.

Freshman Class To Serve Dinner

The Freshman Class will be holding a Spaghetti dinner on Sunday, May 6, in the school cafeteria.

The dinner will begin at 11:00 a.m. and continue until 1:00 p.m.

A choice of spaghetti salad, garlic bread, drink and dessert will be offered for \$5.50 for adults and \$3.00 for children.

Everyone is invited to come and help the freshman class with this fundraiser.

Rabies Clinic

There will be a rabies clinic for your pets from 2:00 until 5:00 p.m. Thursday, May 17, at the City Hall in Silverton.

and campsite).

Spring Music Program Planned Wednesday, May 9

Robin Boedeker will present her kindergarten through fifth grade students in a music program on May 9 at 9:45 a.m. in the school auditorium.

The second grade class will present a short play entitled *The Bremen Town Musicians*.

Kindergarten and first grade will be singing three songs and the third, fourth and fifth grades will sing four songs.

Please come and enjoy the musical talents of our students.

Donuts For Dads, Student Artwork To Be Shown

Silverton Elementary School will be hosting Donuts for Dads on May 8 in the school cafeteria at 7:30 a.m.

Each student's artwork will be displayed depicting themselves and their dads.

Dads are special people and the teachers and students want to show their appreciation to them. Come, start your day with a donut and a smile, and walk your child to class.

It will make their day--and yours, too.

4-H Car Wash

Briscoe County 4-H'ers will hold a car wash on Sunday, May 5, 2001 beginning at 12:30 p.m. on the north side of the courthouse in Silverton.

They will be raising money to go to County Camp in July at the Texas 4-H Center in Brownwood. The Texas 4-H Center offers a variety of activities for participants to take part in, including canoeing, riflery, archery, dancing, games, crafts, swimming and the infamous shaving cream fights. It's going to be a positive experience for these 4-H'ers, and they would appreciate your donations to have your vehicle washed and vacuumed. Please come!

This information was provided by Cory Payne, County Extension Agent-FCS.

Osteoporosis Sufferers Can Benefit From Exercise

Cory Payne

County Extension Agent: Family & Consumer Sciences

In our Senior Citizens Exercise class this week, we discussed osteoporosis, which is a disease that causes bones to lose mass and break easily. Twenty-five million people are affected and four out of five are women. Osteoporosis leads to loss of height, deformity/Dowager's Hump, fractures of hip and spine. It is a serious debilitating disease that is affected by onset of menopause.

Some risk factors for osteoporosis include: post menopausal, family history, insufficient exercise, excessive alcohol consumption, estrogen deficiency, early menopausal, female gender, diets low in calcium, tobacco use, and Caucasian or Asian.

There are several benefits of exercise on this disease. Exercises that place weight on or increases the force of gravity against your bones can help you keep bone mass. Activities that use gravity and your muscles to strengthen your bones include aerobics, danc-

ing, jogging, cross-country skiing, stair climbing, tennis and walking. Exercise helps you move more easily and keep your balance, which helps you avoid falls.

Calcium also is very important. Most adults need 1,000 to 1,500 milligrams of calcium a day from food and/or calcium supplements.

Getting enough Vitamin D also is important because it increases the amount of calcium that your body absorbs from your intestines. Vitamin D is produced by your body in response to exposure to sunlight. Good dietary sources of Vitamin D are liver, fish oil and Vitamin D fortified milk. Milk, cheese and yogurt have the highest amounts of calcium.

If YOU have osteoporosis, you could benefit from the Senior Citizens Exercise Program held every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at the Silverton Senior Citizens Center at 9:00 a.m. Please join us! Next week will be the last week of our eight-week exercise series!

Soil Temperatures Affect Cotton Planting Plans

Provided by Brandon McGinty, County Extension Agent-Ag

Planting in this region is often related to soil moisture availability in the seeding zone. This is obviously the prime consideration in many locations. Seed germination is favored by high soil oxygen concentration, adequate soil moisture, and soil temperatures above 64°F at the seed level to emerge. Germination can begin when the mean daily temperature is 60°F at seeding depths, but growth will be slow at these temperatures.

The optimum planting target is to have a 10-day average of soil temperature of 65°F at the 8-inch depth. If poor quality seed is planted, then 70°F may be a better target. This volume of soil underneath the seed can act as a potential short-term heat buffer to moderate seed zone temperatures if cool spells do occur after planting. This is due to the fact that soil temperatures in the seed zone will lag

air temperatures by about 3-5 hours. At a minimum, soil temperatures in the seed and root zone should exceed 60°F. AND the five-day forecast should predict overall temperatures on the upswing AND low air temperatures forecast above 50°F. During critical germination times, soil temperatures below 50°F can result in chilling injury to seedlings and result in malformed seedlings, reduced vigor and stand establishment, and increased likelihood of seedling disease problems.

Emergency will generally occur after accumulation of 60-80 DD60 heat units after planting. If as few as 25 heat units are forecast over the next five days, it is not recommended to plant. At Lubbock, the long-term average air temperatures and corresponding DD60s for various dates in May are listed below:

See Cotton Planting--
Continued on Page Two

Classifieds

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Solar-powered Well Water Pump for Cattle. Rex Tiffin, 296-7217 or 292-1756. 11-8tp

For Sale: 1988 Half Ton Chevrolet Pickup. Good condition. See at Hutsell Insurance Agency. Dorothy Hale. 6-tfc

24' Round Above-Ground Pool and Furniture For Sale: Call 823-2058 or 292-2668. 18-1tc

Sale!! Household goods of Mary Lee Watters, Friday, May 4, Saturday, May 5, 102 N. Loretta, 9-5 both days. Bedroom set, twin beds, couch, loveseat, chairs, Poppytrail dishes, Frankoma Pottery Franciscan "Madira" Glasses, Tiaras Bowls, Desk, TV, Collectibles, Jewelry, Shoes, Purses, Clothes and Miscellaneous. **No early sales.**

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SILVERTON AA and AI-Anon Meetings. Wednesdays at 8:00 p.m. Call 806-823-2020 or 806-455-1258. 23-tfnc

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

HELP WANTED

Personal Assistance Aides: 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 info, please contact Swisher Memorial Hospital Home Health, 539 SE 2nd, Tulia, TX 79088. 806-995-8282. 19-4tc

TO GIVE AWAY

Cute Black Puppies, part Cocker Spaniel, To Give Away. John Wyatt, 847-2570. 18-2tc

REAL ESTATE

Two Bedroom Home on Large Corner Lot For Sale. 293-1384, Walter Hill. 6-tfc

Mary Ann Rauch's Three-Bedroom House For Sale. Call Walter or Bobbye Bean for information. 823-2397. 14-8tc

WANTED

Lawn Mowing Wanted. Call Eric or Rick Minyard. 823-2108. 18-tfnc

New shipment of sympathy cards has arrived at the Briscoe County News. 9-tfnc

Get your Watkins products at Briscoe County News in Silverton. We have pepper, vanilla, cinnamon, and others. 823-2333.

CARDS OF THANKS

Dear Family and Friends,
You were so wonderful to me during my 90th birthday party. You made it a day full of love, laughter, and beautiful memories. Your presence, love and fellowship was greatly appreciated.
Rosalie Chitty

Remember Mom on her day, May 13, and the Girl Graduates with Mary Kay cosmetic gifts. Call Ana Baeza, 847-2573. 17-1tp

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Bride-elect Honored With Shower

The Pioneer Room of City Bank was the scene of a bridal shower honoring Lori Garrett, bride-elect of Casey Frizzell Saturday, April 28.

Guests were greeted by the hostesses and introduced to the special guests, Toy Pendleton, mother of the bride; Kathy Woodard, mother of the groom; Traci Garrett, sister of the bride, and Bethany Woodard. Other special guests included the groom's grandmothers, Faye Self and Margaret Frizzell, both of Silverton; Casey Frizzell, Lynn Frizzell, Snooks Frizzell, J. L. Self and Mickey Woodard also joined the festivities.

The serving table was covered with an ecru lace cloth over navy blue. The silk floral centerpiece consisted of flowers and foliage in the bride's chosen colors of burgundy, navy and ecru. A birdhouse nestled in the centerpiece was a

beautiful accent. The centerpiece and a complete set of cookware was presented to the couple by the hostesses.

Guests were treated to a bountiful array of delicious refreshments including pineapple punch, miniature cinnamon rolls, muffins, sausage balls and cream puffs. The refreshments were served by Traci Ramsey, Kayla Miller and Christy West.

Serving as hostesses for the occasion were Dorothy Martin, Marsha Brunson, Deb Burson, Frances Gamble, Gail Wyatt, Jeanetta Bradford, Cathey Weaks, Kathy Kingery, Christy West, Ramona Martin, Joni Bomar, Willie Ramirez, Anita Ramsey, Janinne Brooks, Kami Cook, Vaughnell Brannon, LaVern Kingery and Peggy Rowell.

It's always a good idea to mow a lawn when the grass is dry.

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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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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.

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SUNDAY:
Worship.....10:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening..... 6:00 p.m.

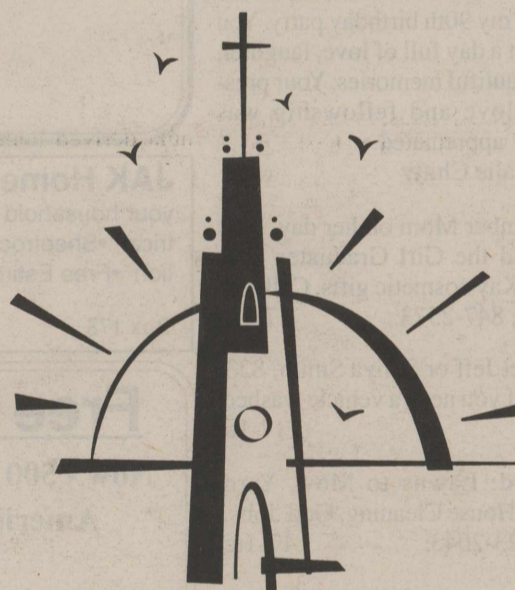
WEDNESDAY:
Worship Service..... 7:30 p.m.

MONDAY-SATURDAY:
Prayer Meeting..... 9:00 a.m.

The Goodness of God

Do you ever realize that when you awake each morning, God has given you another wonderful day to rejoice and celebrate the gift of life? Sometimes when I get up in the morning, I am thinking about all of the things that I have to get done, and I forget about God and how good He has been to me and my loved ones. I realize that there are millions of people in the world with poor health who can't even get out of bed, but perhaps it is just human nature that we often don't appreciate something until we have lost it. We should always try to be mindful of how good God has been to us, and especially be grateful for His gentleness. We all have an occasional tendency to be overly concerned about inconsequential

things instead of focusing on what is really important in our lives. Psalm 31:19 tells us, "How wonderful are the good things you keep for those who honor you! Everyone knows how good you are, how securely you protect those who trust you."



*For the Lord is good;
His steadfast love endures
forever, and His faithfulness
to all generations.*

R.S.V. Psalm 100:5

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Obituary

ANNIE FINCH

Services for Annie Lee Finch, 103, were conducted at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday at Wallace Funeral Home Chapel in Tulia with Trey Morgan, pastor of Central Church of Christ, and Rob Lindley, pastor of First United Methodist Church, officiating.

Burial was in the Silverton Cemetery under direction of Wallace Funeral Home of Tulia.

Mrs. Finch died at 11:10 a.m. Saturday, April 28, 2001 at Canterbury Villa Nursing Home in Dimmitt.

She was born in Briscoe County March 31, 1898. She was reared at Rock Creek and attended schools there. She moved to Tulia in 1921. She was a housewife and a member of the First United Methodist Church.

She married Jesse Dean Finch January 1, 1921 in Houston.

She was preceded in death by her husband July 11, 1974, and by a daughter, Carmen Messing.

Survivors include two sons,

Charles Finch of Seminole and David C. Finch of Tulia; two sisters, Estelle Thomas of Silverton and Neva McDonald of Idaho Springs, Colorado; seven grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-granddaughter.

The family suggests memorials be made to Swisher Memorial Building, Swisher County Library or to the Swisher County Museum.

Turkey Jamboree Will Be Held May 5

May 5 is the date for the next Jamboree and the Bob Wills Center Gymnasium is the place.

Entertainers are Tommy Stewart from Kress; The Country VI from Olton, and Gary and Justin Williams from Kress. There will be a Talent Showcase and an appearance by the house band, The Turkey Gems.

This month the Talent Showcase will be a little different. It will consist of 30 minutes of Patriotic songs and poems.

The Turkey Heritage Foundation will have the concession stand.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Johnny Edwin Bice, Deceased, were issued on February 27, 2001, in Cause No. 1440, pending in the County Court of Briscoe County, Texas, to: Linda Lou Bice.

The residence of the Independent Executrix is Briscoe County, Texas; the post office address is: c/o Kelly K. Dunbar Attorney at Law P. O. Box 180

Silverton, Texas 79257-0180

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 28th day of February, 2001.

Kelly K. Dunbar

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Silverton, Texas 79257-0180

806-823-2257

By: /s/ Kelly K. Dunbar

Attorney for the Estate

State Bar No.: 11508980

18-1tc

Cotton Planting Temperatures-- Continued From Page One

Day	High	Low	Average	DD60s per day
May 1	79	51	65	5
May 10	82	54	68	8
May 20	84	57	70.5	10.5
May 30	87	60	73.5	13.5

When considering long-term average temperatures for May, one should consider waiting until after at least May 1 to plant. By delaying planting until May 10, at least eight DD60s per day would result in a total of about 40 over the next five days.

Quitaque Senior Citizens Are Sponsoring Ham Dinner May 6

Senior Citizens of Quitaque are sponsoring a ham dinner Sunday, May 6, 2001 for the benefit of the Quitaque Cemetery Association. Ladies of the town are asked to bring salad, desserts and vegetables for the meal which will start at 11:30 a.m. The ham, drinks and bread will be furnished by the Quitaque Senior Citizens. Lunch will be served until 1:00 p.m.

At 12:30 p.m. an auction will be

held for baked goods and other interesting items with all of the proceeds to go to the Quitaque Cemetery Association for the care and upkeep of the cemetery. Kenneth Helms will be the auctioneer for the event again this year.

Everyone is urged to come out and attend the fun and festivities of the day while enjoying a great meal and helping the Cemetery Association.

Cottonseed Program Applications Mailed

USDA announced the start of the 2000-crop cottonseed payment program beginning April 27, 2001. The program, which will distribute a total \$100 million in assistance, will provide additional economic assistance to cotton gins and growers to offset the detrimental effects of low cottonseed prices during the 2000 crop year.

Sign-up for the program began

April 27 and applications must be returned before May 18, 2001.

Individual payments will be based on the estimated quantity of cottonseed produced from the bales and lint weight reported on the application. Payments are being made to gins because they usually retain proceeds from the sale of the cottonseed. However, gins may be required to share payments with

farmers in cases where farmers have been affected by low cottonseed prices.

USDA has mailed applications to 1,004 cotton gins. Gins that have not received an application form by April 30, 2001, can call 202-720-8481 for an application to be faxed or mailed to them.

Ginners who have submitted an original signature to FSA's Price Support Division in Washington may send their application by FAX to 202-720-9069. Companies that operated more than one gin for the 2000 crop should submit one application for all gin locations.

About two weeks after the last application is received, USDA's Commodity Credit Corporation will make payments by direct deposit and mail deposit notifications to gins.

Access to Books Important For Children

Reading helps children's minds grow and develop, and reading out loud to children can be a bonding experience for families. Access to books is very important, and public libraries, and events such as the Texas Book Festival help stimulate children's interest in reading.

Children as young as one can participate in reading by pointing out pictures in a book, and helping turn the pages. Toddlers and older children like to have story time, and they often prefer to hear the same story time and again.

Children need different kinds of books to help them develop different skills including picture books, concept books, counting, color, alphabet books and participation books.

Provided by Cory Payne County Extension Agent-FCS

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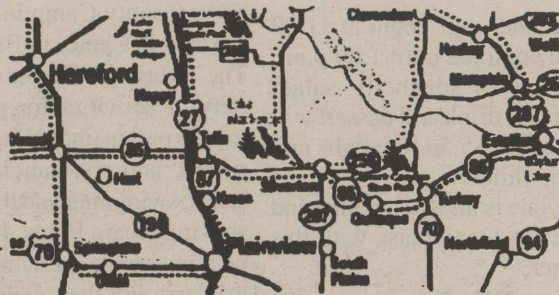
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LOOKING BACK

through the files of the
Briscoe County News

April 18, 1981--Welcome Home reception is planned Sunday for David Schott and Jamie Frizzell who are returning home from their service in the Middle East War . . . John Cavitt and Stephen Cavitt will advance to Regional UIL competition. John will be competing in Calculator Applications and Stephen will be entered in Extemporaneous Speaking . . . Services conducted for Carl L. Tidwell, 60 . . . Spring wedding unites Toy Whitten, Rank Cogdell in marriage . . . Shower honors Miss Donna Grabbe, bride-elect of Rick Fudge . . . Owlettes place second in District Track Meet . . . Silverton Volunteer Ambulance Service hosted a hamburger supper for new Emergency Medical Technicians joining the service. They are Dale McWaters, Cip Garcia, James Dunn, Connie Smith, Steve Green, Dianne Ward and Becky Francis. The test results of Pat McWaters and John Cavitt are pending . . .

April 16, 1981--Judy Northcutt and Dani Whitfill, District Tennis Doubles winners, are proud of the Team Championship trophy they helped to win last week . . . Sheriff Dick Roehr put his training in the Heimlich Maneuver to good use in the hall of the Briscoe County Courthouse early after noon Tuesday, and saved three-year-old Oscar Dunn from choking to death on a piece of hard candy . . . A Read-Feeder made by Lummus is being installed this week at Harris Gin . . . Eight Owls, Michael Hill, Mark Patton, Russell Couch, Eric Patton, Jimmy Stone, David Gee, Clifford Clardy and Ernest Rodriguez, qualify for Regional competition . . . Those who will be competing in Regional literary events are Don Perkins, who won first in the district science contest; Melinda Sutton, who placed third in journalism feature writing, and Jeni Denton, who won third in typewriting . . . Miss Janie Denton, bride-elect of Rick Cooper, was guest of honor at a coffee and miscellaneous shower Saturday in the Pioneer Room at First State Bank . . .

April 22, 1971--Local civil defense network re-organized . . . Bud Couch returned home from High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo Friday after having undergone a spinal fusion there a week before . . . Counterfeit display being shown at First State Bank . . . Miss Linda Elaine Boyles and David Gene Purcell pledged their wedding vows in a double-ring ceremony in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Boyles in Quitaque, Saturday, April 17 . . . Mr. and Mrs. O. E. May were honored with a reception Sunday in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary . . . Junior-Senior Banquet has Gay Nineties theme . . .

Judd Donnell of Las Vegas, New Mexico has recently been an overnight visitor with his mother, Mrs. Cora Donnell . . .

April 27, 1961--Students from Carver Elementary School in Silverton placed second in the literary, track and field events in Interscholastic League competition at Lockney Saturday. Winners include: 5-6 grade math: 2. D. Randon and E. Baker 7-8 grade math: 3. V. Gallington and E. Hearon 7-8 ready writing: 3. K. Randon and E. Hearon; 1-4 sub junior declamation: 1. E. Randon; 7-8 ready writing: 3. K. Randon and E. Hearon; 7-8 spelling: 2. D. Randon and V. Gallington; 50-yard dash: 2. E. J. Ivory; 200-yard relay: 2. V. Gallington, M. Ivory, E. Baker, C. Ivory; 440-yard relay: 2. M. J. Ivory, E. Baker, C. Ivory, V. Gallington; discus throw: 1. M. J. Ivory; baseball throw: 2. E. J. Baker; 75-yard dash: 2. E. J. Baker; 100-yard dash: 3. L. B. Ivory . . . Marine 2nd Lt. James E. May completed navy flight training and received his "Wings of Gold" on April 3, while attached to Training Squadron 27, a unit of the Naval Air Advanced Training Command at the Naval Auxillary Air Station, New Iberia, Louisiana . . . Linda Brannon, a recent graduate of the Amarillo School of Beauty, has received her certificate of training and has successfully passed the State Examination in Austin . . . John Earl Simpson and Bud House recently won a Chevrolet Contest which entitled them to a vacation at Lake Texhoma . . .

April 19, 1951--Teachers re-elected for next year . . . Plunketts Stage Show and Circus will appear in Silverton Saturday, April 21 . . . Ware Fogerson will spent the weekend in New Mexico on a fishing trip. He will be joined at Clovis by his father and some friends for the outing . . . Bernice Welch underwent surgery Saturday morning at St. Joseph's Hospital in Wellington He had his leg amputated, and is reported by his sister, Mrs. Freeland Bingham, as doing fine . . . Mr. and Mrs. Donald Alexander are the parents of a daughter, born April 16 . . . George Seaney was among the twenty-four dealers who received a free trip to San Antonio, given by American Kitchen. They flew to San Antonio Friday for the day . . . Mr. and Mrs. Oscar McGavock visited with relatives here Sunday . . . T. D. Wallace celebrated his ninety-second birthday Friday, April 12, in the home of his daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Alga Turner, in Turkey . . . Mr. and Mrs. Albert Mallow entertained a group of relatives Sunday . . .

June 13, 1946--Around 150,000 bushels of wheat have been har-

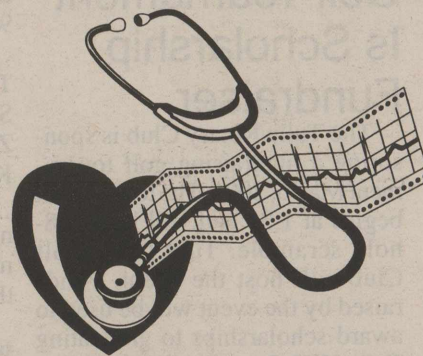
vested here . . . John T. Haynes, veteran Scout leader and South Plains Commissioner, was a happy man as he paused in Raton, New Mexico to take the motorbus 42 miles down the line to the village of Cimarron, adjoining which is the only national Scout Camp in the country--Philmont Scout Ranch. He expected to join the current camp and group now at Philmont, whose total will run well into the thousands this season . . . The opening of Ann's Beauty Service, one block from the northeast corner of the square, is scheduled for Saturday, according to Ann

Grimland, owner . . . Thursday's rain proves boon to row crops . . . Mrs. James Tidwell, nee Miss Clynell Hutsell, was honored at a shower Saturday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Clay Fowler . . . Miss Luree Burson visited her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Allen, at Clarendon last week . . .

May 8, 1941--The burns received three weeks ago by Lois Carthel are still endangering his life, according to reports from visitors at the Lubbock Sanitarium, where he is confined. Badly burned from the waist up, Jake is unable to get any rest and is suf-

fering great pain from the burns on the back . . . Silverton and vicinity received 3.54 inches of rainfall during the past week, which brought the total for 1941 to 7.65 inches . . . Mr. and Mrs. Andy Chappell honored their sons, Valton and Wilbur, with a birthday party Tuesday evening . . . Mr. Paul Stanford of Dickens and Miss Vera Davis were married late Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Lee in Dickens . . . Local officers smash gang operating "trailer cattle rustling" in nine counties . . .

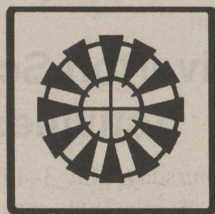
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New York cotton futures fell under the weight of low domestic cotton demand as implied by the U. S. Census Bureau's monthly consumption report. Pressure also came from sluggish weekly export sales and shipments and favorable U. S. planting weather.

U. S. mill consumption in March, at 8.80 million bales, marked the third consecutive month of mill use below 9.0 million bales. The new figure solidified the agreement that USDA may have to cut its forecast of 9.3 million bales for the marketing year.

Redundantly, the monthly consumption report again reflected competition from cheap textile imports and the U. S. economic slowdown. Mills used cotton during March at a seasonally adjusted daily rate of 32,560 bales, down 13.5 percent from the corresponding period last year and 15.3 percent lower than two years ago.

While a strong U. S. dollar makes imports of cotton products inexpensive, analysts have specu-

lated that the number of mill closings could limit any recovery in U. S. demand. Even if the U. S. dollar was to weaken significantly, the U. S. already has been left with a smaller manufacturing base.

Delays in implementing the Caribbean Basin Initiative (CBI), a trade initiative that was expected to have a positive impact on U. S. mill consumption, has contributed to the dramatic compression of the domestic textile industry.

Meanwhile, U. S. export sales and shipments for the week ended April 19 also were lower than expected by most in the industry. Based on USDA's latest report of upland and Pima exports, which totaled 118,000 running bales in the week ended April 19, average weekly shipments for the most recent 10-week period fell to 145,060 bales. Thus, 169,276 bales must be exported in each of the last 14 weeks of the 2000-01 marketing year to reach USDA's official estimate of 6.63 million bales.

Mexico and Indonesia remained the primary destinations for the current crop upland shipments at 38,600 and 13,200 bales, respectively. However, registrations were offset by a sizable cancellation of 20,000 bales from China.

On the spot cotton scene, sales were slightly higher this week as online sales of Texas/Oklahoma/Kansas cotton reached 7,596 bales for the week ended April 26, topping the previous week's sales of 7,422 bales. Conversely, average daily prices received by producers utilizing the Internet trading system were slightly lower as trading occurred within a range of 30.87 to 36.01 cents per pound compared to 33.43 to 36.21 cents per pound the previous week.

Favorable U. S. planting weather weighed heavily on the market this week, limiting gains. USDA reported that 13 percent of the U. S. cotton crop was planted as of April 22, compared with 15 percent a year ago and a five-year average of 13 percent. Arizona, California, Louisiana and Texas were the furthest along with Tennessee, Oklahoma and Arkansas just getting started.

Recent moisture in the Texas Rio Grande Valley has improved plant conditions, but the previous extremely dry weather is thought by some to have already adversely affected potential yields in some non-irrigated fields. In fact, a number of plants there are shorter than normal due to a lack of moisture. Additional moisture will be needed in a couple of weeks to ensure uniform fruit development. Insect pressure has remained light in the area, although a few hot spots have been witnesses. Squaring has occurred on some earlier-planted fields, and entomologists have advised producers to begin spraying for over-wintering boll weevils.

According to one market observer, the positive outlook for the U. S. crop, coupled with the lack of optimism for increased cotton sales in the upcoming year, has many in the market waiting for "something to happen."

"Once again, record cotton production is in our sights," one analyst said. "However, having said that, we remember last year starting with 19.0 million bales, using 20.0 million as a goal, and ending up with just over 17.0 million bales of U. S. production. That, of course, is what the market will be about this spring and summer, certainly not about the demand side, which is too sick to write about," he concluded.

Immunization Clinic Is Friday

The Texas Department of Health will sponsor an immunization clinic at the City Hall in Silverton from 9:30 a.m. until 12:00 noon on Friday, May 4.

Cotton News

from Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.

Members of the newly appointed Plains Cotton Growers Executive Committee hit the ground running as that body met April 27 to discuss PCG legislative policy positions in advance of the American Cotton Producers meeting May 2-3.

The PCG Executive Committee discussed current PCG policy positions and how they relate to the positions being discussed at the national level.

As a result of the meeting PCG representatives will have a more focused set of policy ideas to suggest for both short and long term relief. PCG's positions reflect the needs and interests of cotton growers on the Texas High Plains and what they feel is necessary for survival.

PCG policy objectives include the seeking supplemental assistance payments at a level equal to the total assistance provided to growers in 1999 that totaled slightly more than 15 cents per pound.

Farm policy objectives agreed to by the PCG Executive Committee include: seeking an uncapped, formula derived loan rate with a 60 cent minimum level; continuation of a decoupled, AMTA style fixed payment in the range of 7-9 cents per pound; initiation of a target price-based counter-cyclical price support system coupled to planting; and, initiation of a new Voluntary Resource Conservation Program under the Conservation Title of the next farm bill to provide payments to growers who idle portions of their acreage.

Payment rates for both the proposed counter-cyclical and AMTA-style payments would be based on modified payment yields reflecting the higher of a grower's current APH or the frozen 1985 payment yield used today.

PCG's overall goal is parallel to the policy sought by the National Cotton Council to achieve at least 80 cents per pound from a combination of market prizes and loan program benefits, counter-cyclical price support payments and fixed AMTA-style payments.

PCG representatives will continue to voice the policy goals set forth by its membership through-

out the process to develop the next farm bill.

That includes the importance of a 60 cent minimum marketing loan rate and the need for dependable support payments provided through a combination of fixed decoupled payments similar to the Production Flexibility Contract payment (AMTA) as well as the development of a counter-cyclical price support payment similar to the old target price system.

House and Senate conferees are working to hammer out an FY2001 Budget Resolution that could reach the House floor as early as next week.

The House version of the budget gives agriculture priority status to receive funds from a contingency fund expected by budget surpluses forecast in FY2002-2011. The House version also gives agriculture priority to projected FY 2001 surpluses for supplemental assistance.

The Senate version of the budget identifies \$9 billion for supplemental assistance payments in 2001 as well as authorization for some \$58.5 billion in additional budget authority for the FY2002-2011 time period.

2001 Crop Loan Tables Nearing Completion

Information regarding the 2001 Upland Cotton Loan Premium and Discount schedule could be released as early as the week of April 30 according to Lubbock-based Plains Cotton Growers.

The premium and discount tables are used to set the value of cotton pledged as collateral for Commodity Credit Corporation loans.

Additional information will be reported as it becomes available.

Mother's Day in France is celebrated much like a family birthday, and it occurs on the last Sunday in May. Traditionally, the family gathers for dinner, and, at the end of the meal, a cake is presented to the mother.

Setting an example is not the main means of influencing another; it is the only means.

-- Albert Einstein

Psalms 103: 11-12

For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us.

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Project Graduation Donations Being Sought To Help With Party

Donations are being sought to help with Project Graduation 2001. Door prizes, gifts, food and admission charges for the activities are paid for with donations made by the parents, friends and supporters of this project.

It was determined that traffic crashes, half of which involve alcohol and other drugs, are a leading cause of death and serious injury for young people (ages 15-19). Therefore the State of Texas and interested citizens are supporting "Project Graduation," a program promoting drug/alcohol-free parties for high school students. The Texas Department of Transportation pledges \$250.00 each year to provide mini-grants as "seed money" to high schools who support Project Graduation activities, and concerned citizens are asked to join in.

Project Graduation committee's purpose is to offer students the opportunity to have drug/alcohol-free celebrations in lieu of traditional drinking parties. It is hoped this effort will curb deaths and disabilities associated with drinking, taking drugs and driving.

This year's Project Graduation will be held following the graduation exercises Friday, May 25. All high school students who have signed up to attend will board school buses for a trip to Lubbock.

Bowling will be the first activity on the agenda, followed by Putt Putt Golf and Bumper Boats. Food will be provided throughout the evening with pizza being served at Putt Putt Golf. The group will return to Silverton around 6:00 a.m. for breakfast at the Catholic Church fellowship hall before going home.

All high school students will be required to submit a permission form signed by themselves and their parents by the sign-up deadline. No one will be allowed to leave the group before breakfast on Saturday morning.

Donations may be given to

Michelle Francis, Missy Forbes or Beverly Minyard, or mailed to the school--Attn: Project Graduation, Silverton ISD, P. O. Box 608, Silverton, Texas 79257.

Owl Gym Will Open To Public

Coach Rick Dykes has announced that beginning May 1 he will be opening the Owl Gym to Junior High and High School boys and girls and adults who are interested in playing recreational basketball on Tuesday and Thursday nights from 7:00 until 8:30 p.m.

Purpose will be to pick up the interest and competitive level in basketball.

Air Bags

Air bags have been known to cause serious injury or death for smaller passengers. Although they have reduced driver and passenger deaths by more than 10 percent, deployed air bags can be dangerous.

Few Trees Still Available at Caprock SWCD

A few trees are still available at the Caprock Soil & Water Conservation District office in Silverton. These include three one-gallon Bur Oaks at \$7.00 each. There also are 15 five-gallon Afghanistan pine trees available.

Hardwood seedlings are available at \$1.50 each. These include Shumard Oaks, Hybrid Cottonless Cottonwoods, Honeysuckle and Catalpa.

Larger trees can still be ordered at anytime. SWCD personnel can help you install a drip irrigation system to get your trees off to a good start.

Call 823-2431, Ext. 101 for further details.

Basketball Camp To Be Held Here

The 'Nothing But Net' Basketball Camp will be held in two sessions, June 18-22 and June 25-29, in the Silverton School Gym from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. four days a week, and until 12:00 noon on Fridays. Each session costs \$40.

The camp will be directed by Silverton coaches and former players.

Session 1 will be for incoming fourth, fifth and sixth graders. The first 40 will be accepted, and the deadline for registering is June 4.

Session 2 is for incoming seventh and eighth graders. The first 40 will be accepted, and the deadline for enrolling is June 11.

The daily schedule will include ball-handling, shooting form, passing, dribbling, mass defense, rebounding. There will be games and contests each day.

Parents and friends of campers are invited to come watch any sessions of the camp they wish, but especially on Friday for demonstrations and awards.

All campers will receive T-shirts. Each camper is asked to bring a sack lunch, and there will be a one-hour lunch break each day.

Children under 12 usually receive injuries due to the force of the air bag's deployment. Fortunately, there are safety practices that make air bags less of a hazard. Never place a child in front with an air bag.

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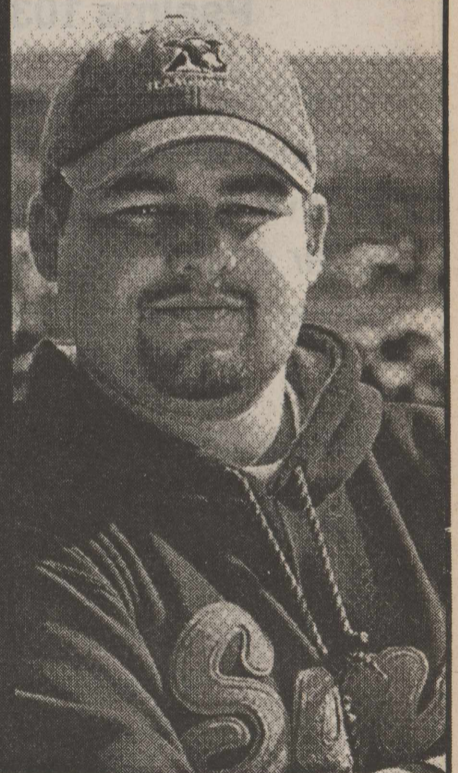
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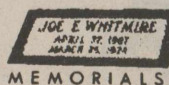
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Tuesday, May 8--Assorted Sandwiches, Salad, Veg Stix, Chips, Milk, Cookie

Wednesday, May 9--Pizza, Salad, Corn, Garlic Bread, Milk, Fruit

Thursday, May 10--Steak, Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Milk, Honey & Butter

Friday, May 11--Chili Dog, Tater Tots, Milk, Fruit & Jello

Happy Birthday-

May 3--Cole Garrison, Sharon Simpson, Ty Lee Gregg

May 4--Katy Henderson, Joy Stodghill, Ann West, Nathan Francis, Haley Beesinger, Arturo Fabela

May 5--Roger Harrison
May 6--Christina Newbold, Lallie Patton

May 7--Corrine Bean, Jason Gamble, Mary Davis, Jerry Miller

May 8--Krista Ziegler, Andy Wills, Jamie Casillas

May 9--Russell Kennedy, Elzora Gallington, Mitchell Roehr

Donuts For Dads Planned May 8

Silverton Elementary School will be hosting Donuts for Dad on May 8 in the school cafeteria at 7:30 a.m.

Each student's artwork will be displayed, depicting themselves and their dads.

Dads are special people and the students and teachers want to show their appreciation to you.

Come start your day with a donut and a smile, and walk your child to class. It will make his/her day--and yours, too.

Cemetery Association Plans Annual Meeting for May 10

Annual Meeting of the Silverton Cemetery Association is scheduled Thursday, May 10, in the Fellowship Hall of First Baptist Church.

The mail-out will be prepared

at 7:00 p.m. to be followed by the business meeting at approximately 8:00 p.m.

An election will be held for two board members. The terms of directors Clifton Stodghill and John Francis are expiring.

Everyone having family buried in the Silverton Cemetery is encouraged to attend this meeting.

New Arrival

Mike and Jackie Cornett, 730 Oak, Dimmitt, are parents of a daughter, AlexSandra "Bree" Cornett, born at 2:34 p.m. April 12, 2001. She was 19 inches long on arrival and weighed six pounds and eight ounces.

The couple also are parents of 12-year-old Bryce and 10-year-old Brooke.

Paternal grandparents are Don and Shirley Cornett of Dimmitt and Glenna Cornett, also of Dimmitt; maternal grandparents are Jenny and Sandy Lewis of Dimmitt and David Forbes of San Angelo. Great-grandparents are Elsie Cornett of Silverton, Otha McIntosh of Snyder and Charlotte Etgen of Snyder.

Golf Tournament Is Scholarship Fundraiser

The Tulia Rotary Club is sponsoring a fundraising golf tournament May 6, 2001. The tournament begins at 1:30 and will be an 18-hole scramble. Tule Lake Golf Club will host the event. Funds raised by the event will be used to award scholarships to graduating Tulia High School seniors totaling \$1000. Entry fee for the tournament is \$20 and does not include cart fees.

Prizes include first place paying \$160. Additional prizes will be awarded for longest drive and closest to the pin. Hole-in-one prizes for five holes include a \$10,000 cash prize, airline tickets, watch, irons and Camcorder.

Relay For Life Is Friday, June 8

The Relay For Life 2001 will begin at 7:00 p.m. Friday, June 8 at the Valley Gym in Quitaque.

Everyone wants to do something to fight cancer. The first relay in 1999 was good. Last year, the Briscoe County Unit won first place among the towns of populations from 0 to 9,999. Awards are based on per capita fund raised. Briscoe Unit was \$8.75. Second place went to Hardeman County, whose per capita amount of \$6.19.

In the National Ranking, Briscoe Unit placed sixth in the 0-9,999 population.

Plan now to join a team to help. The team captains are LaQuetta Schott, Diana Ivory, JonEtta Ziegler, Rhonda Smith and LaVern Kingery.

If you would like to make a donation for a luminaria in honor or memory of a loved one, call one of the team captains.

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I walked because there is a need;
I walked that bodies could be freed.
I walked to give a small child hope;
I walked to help someone to cope.
I walked for a husband or a wife;
I walked to help prolong a life.
I walked with my head held high;
I walked for that one about to die.
I walked excitedly, not demure;
I walked to help find a cure.
I walked for everyone to see;
I walked for you, I walked for me.

Jeannie Davis, April 25-26, 1997

Happy Anniversary-

May 5--Mr. and Mrs. Clay Schott

May 6--Mr. and Mrs. Kerry Baird, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Braddock

May 7--Mr. and Mrs. Paul Brannon, Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Schott

Silverton School Activities

Thursday, May 3--FFA District Officers elections and Speaking Events at Memphis, 4:30; 2nd Grade Field Trip

Friday, May 4--Pre-K and K Registration Day, Immunization Clinic; early out at 1:15

Saturday, May 5--Junior-Senior Outing; Area I FFA Scholarship Interview

Car, Motorcycle Show to Benefit Meals on Wheels

The 11th Annual Plainview Meals on Wheels Car Show will be held May 5-6, 2001 at the Ollie Liner Center, South I-27 Business Route, in Plainview.

About 150 beautiful show cars will be there from all over West Texas and Eastern New Mexico, and several thousand people are expected to attend.

John Skaggs is president of the Plainview Roadrunners Car Club and the group delivers hot meals to over 150 home-bound citizens five days a week, year around. The car show makes it possible to be able to continue this project.

Show times are 9:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. on Saturday, and 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$1 for children seven to twelve, and those six and under are admitted free.

2001 Precipitation Summary

	Normal Precip.	Precip. Received
January	.65	1.94
February	.60	.87
March	.93	3.23
April	1.49	1.12
Totals	3.67	7.16

WEATHER

6:00 a.m. Daily April
Weather Observations

	High	Low	Precip.
1	60	41	
2	82	43	
3	84	49	
4	83	49	
5	89	47	
6	79	63	
7	75	45	
8	77	45	
9	85	54	
10	85	46	
11	74	44	
12	73	39	
13	70	37	
14	79	43	
16	77	45	
17	68	41	
18	46	40	
19	72	40	
20	89	50	
21	87	54	
22	70	43	1.12
24	65	40	
25	73	39	
26	78	43	
27	79	47	
28	77	44	
29	76	47	
30	78	59	

Total Precip in April	1.12
Normal Precip. for April	1.49
Total Precip. in 2001	6.04
Normal Precip. for 2001	
To Date	3.67
Soil Temperature	61°

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