

All Around

The Town

By Mary Ann Sarchet



When my farmer brother goes out of this country, he likes to get a close look at the agriculture of the place he is visiting. He and my sister-in-law recently toured China, closely inspecting the cotton farming industry.

Cotton is produced in China, but how they do it is almost a fairy tale.

Cotton farms in China are tiny, by comparison with those in the United States, usually about half or three-quarters of an acre in size. The farmer is so close to his crop that he knows every plant in the field. When it is time to harvest, he rides his bicycle out to his farm, picks some cotton and places it on a piece of cloth--similar to a tablecloth--and when he has finished, he ties up the ends of the cloth, ties it to his bicycle, and rides back to his home. He takes the cotton into his house with him.

When he takes it to the gin, it is placed on a concrete slab where women with pitchforks turn it to dry it. When it is ready to be ginned, they fork it into the feeder.

My brother estimated that the annual income of these farmers is probably \$150 a year.

He also said that the grain crop is dumped on the highway so vehicles can drive over it and thresh the grain out of the heads.

There are divided highways, and they drive both ways on both sides, but of course, there are a lot of bicycles and ox-cart type vehicles.

The people have eaten all the dogs, cats, rats and birds, but they have some parks where there are caged pigeons so "the children can see birds."

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This is Red Ribbon Week in the Silverton School, and the Gifted and Talented Class is leading the observance of this drug-free activity.

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Booster Club Meets Tuesdays

Silverton Booster Club meets at 7:00 p.m. Tuesdays in the basement of the field house. Everyone is invited to attend and review the film of the football game.

Call Rick Minyard or Barry Francis for information.

Fans Invited to the Pep Rallies

The Junior High Pep Rally will be held at 10:00 a.m. Thursday in the Owl gym.

The High School Pep Rally will be held at 2:30 p.m. Friday in the PE gym. This is the blackout rally.

Fans are invited to attend these pep rallies and help cheer the teams on to victories.



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Fall Festival Coronation is Saturday Night

The Fall Festival Coronation will begin at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, October 28, in the Silverton School Auditorium.

Crown and scepter bearers for the Prince and Princess will be Taylor Hubbard, daughter of Teddy and Jody Hubbard, and Skyler Stephens, son of Christina and Charles Newbold.

Candidates for Prince and Princess are:

First Grade--Haley Beesinger, daughter of Jana and Rick Beesinger, and J. T. West, son of Jeannine and Brad West

Second Grade--Melissa Gamez, daughter of Maria and Jose Gamez, and David Ferrusca, son of Aida and Jose Ferrusca

Third Grade--Molly Stinson, daughter of Michelle and Jay Stinson, and Skyler Beesinger, son of Jana and Rick Beesinger

Fourth Grade--Kyla Minyard, daughter of Kim and Jason Minyard, and Mitchel Curry, son of Jan and Michael Curry

Fifth Grade--Jasmin Ivory, daughter of Diana and Clarence Ivory, and Gabriel Vargas, son of Rosa and Lupe Vargas

Sixth Grade--Krystal Davis, daughter of Kim and Jason Minyard, and Clay Strange, son of Shana and Bill Strange

Crown and scepter bearer for the King and Queen will be Kodie Saul, daughter of Suzy and Scott Saul, and Cody Daugherty, son of Jennifer and Ted Daugherty. Candidates for King and Queen are:

Seventh Grade--Angie Lewis, daughter of Brenda Jasper and David Lewis, and Ramon Martinez, son of Obelia Bullock

Eighth Grade--Samantha Garza, daughter of Juanita Murrell, and Zack Burson, son of Lana and Bryan Burson

Ninth Grade--Kelcy Simpson, daughter of Connie and Mitchell Simpson, and Josh Allen, son of Willman Allen

Tenth Grade--Tarran Forbes, daughter of Missy and Cam Forbes, and Galen Smith, son of Suzy and Scott Saul

Eleventh Grade--Chelsey Cherry, daughter of Lisa and Doug Cherry, and Danny Dunn, daughter of Becky Dunn and James Dunn

Introduction of Parents, Players To Precede Game With Hedley

Introduction of parents, players, cheerleaders and coaches will be a pre-game feature Friday night at 7:00 p.m. Parents are to meet in front of the concession stand by 7:00 p.m. sharp. This will precede the Red Owls' game with the green Owls from Hedley, who are scheduled to kickoff at 7:30 p.m.

The Owls will be needing a lift from their fans in order to regain their winning ways after a heart-breaking 24-6 loss to the Groom Tigers last Friday. About an inch of rain fell during the ballgame, with rain and fog sometimes obscuring the appearance of the lighted cross that stands watch over Groom and I-40. If all this wasn't enough, the lights went out on the Groom side of the field about the middle of the third quarter, which caused a 45-minute delay in the game.

Silverton fans had packed the visitors' stands and were enduring the weather conditions, but most retreated to their vehicles and didn't return after the long delay.

"That field was something else," Quarterback Andrew Francis said. "You couldn't do anything. You didn't have any footing out there at all. But I can't blame the loss on the weather. Groom outplayed us. No doubt about it."

Silverton's only meaningful drive of the first half ended when the Tigers recovered an Owl fumble on the Groom 13.

The Owls scored their lone touchdown with 16 seconds left in the game when Francis hit Isaiah Ivory with an 18-yard pass to narrow the Groom lead to 24-6.

The Owls made eight first downs in the game, compared with 13 for the Tigers. The Owls rushed the ball 22 times for a gain of 80 yards, while the Tigers rushed 27 times for a gain of 139. The Owls passed for 64 yards while the Tigers were passing for 71.

Clint Ivory rushed four times for a gain of 28; Francis, nine for 29; Issac Garcia, three for 21; Isaiah Ivory, twice for one; Red Ivory, four for minus nine.

Francis hit eight of 24 passes and had two intercepted.

Twelfth Grade--Katy Hester, daughter of Bena and Rick Hester, and Tyler Young, son of Nancy and Rance Young.

Adrian Ramirez caught two passes for a gain of 33 yards; Isaiah got two for 27; Garcia, two for four; Clint, one for four; Red, one for minus four.

The referees gave Groom two points in the second half when Silverton was flagged for intentional grounding in the endzone.

The Tigers remained in third place in the state after seven games, and the Owls dropped to 14th place by virtue of the loss.

Now it is very important that the Owls win the rest of their games to advance into the playoffs. There are be some very tough matches remaining, and you can bet your best hat that our opponents will be very eager to knock off the Owls. All teams in all sports play very hard against those who are at the top of their conference, and this will be no exception.

The Owls are at home with Hedley Friday night. Be there!

Early Voting Started Monday

Early voting by personal appearance began October 23 and will continue through November 3 in the office of the county Clerk from the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Remember, you do not need an excuse for early voting.

Voting locations for election day are:

Precinct #1--Silverton City Hall
Precinct #2--Quitaque Community Center

Precinct #3--Pioneer Room, First State Bank, Silverton

Precinct #4--Briscoe County Courtroom

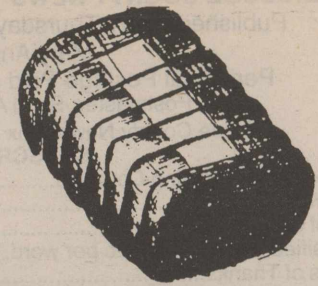
Precinct #5--Bulding behind Lake Mackenzie Superintendent's home

Precinct #6--Quitaque City Hall

Flu Shots To Be Given at City Hall

Flu shots will be given at the City Hall in Silverton Friday, November 3, to those who are 65 and older or who have a chronic condition.

The shots will be administered by the Texas Department of Health from Tulia, and the hours will be 9:30 until 11:30 a.m., and 1:00 until 3:30 p.m.



DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS

OCTOBER 29

Don't forget to set your clock back!

Alton Riddell is Re-elected to Board of Directors

Alton Riddell was re-elected to the Caprock Soil and Water Conservation District board of directors October 5. He serves as chairman of the board and represents Zone 4 of the district.

Purpose of the Caprock SWCD, with headquarters in Silverton, is to promote sound soil and water conservation programs on agricultural lands within the district. In addition, the district serves as a voice for farmers, ranchers and local community entities on conservation matters.

The board of directors coordinates the conservation efforts of various local, state and federal agencies and other organizations and has authority to enter working agreements with these governmental agencies and private concerns to carry out its purposes.

The five members serving on the district board of directors are responsible for district policies and procedures for carrying out the district program within the framework of the Texas soil conservation district law.

In Texas there are 216 soil and water conservation districts. Each is a legal subdivision of state government organized by local agricultural landowners with the assistance of the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board.

Unlike most legal subdivisions of state government, SWCDs do not have the powers of taxation or eminent domain. All conservation programs managed by the district are voluntary nature to the landowner or operator or other potential users of the SWCDs programs.

Organized in 1945, Caprock SWCD was developed to promote
See Alton Riddell--
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For Sale: Three bedroom, 1 3/4 bath home on three lots. New roof and new paint. 705 Braidfoot. Call David Warren, (806) 748-6391. 42-4tc

NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE

Application has been made for renewal with the T.A.B.C. for a private club by Emerano Garcia dba Rock Creek Club to be located at Hwy. 86 S/W corner Int. Hwy. 378, Silverton, Briscoe, Texas. Officers are James Ortis, president; Emerano Garcia, vice-president; Melissa Ortiz, secretary. 42-2tc

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CARDS OF THANKS

Thank you for your visits, cards, food, fall arrangements, your prayers and your love after the death of my brother, Leon Wofford.

Charles and Faye Whitfill

Dear Friends,

Thank you so much for the personal visits and cards and especially your prayers since my accident. Especially I thank Kelly Dunbar and JoDee Robison for responding so quickly. Your service was splendid.

I am now a patient at Lockney Healthcare and Rehabilitation, and my progress is excellent.

Sincerely,
Lottie L. Clemmer

To understand everything makes one tolerant.

--Germaine de Stael

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Kids Sound Off on What's Hot and What's Not

It's no surprise that kids ranked pizza, video games and their favorite CDs high on the "cool" list. Interestingly, the "Cool Can Survey" also found that politics are a hot debate among those surveyed. Results showed the leading candidate for this year's presidential election is George W. Bush (37 percent) over Al Gore (22 percent) with forty-one percent still undecided. And, the most important political issues to kids today are gun control, education and the safety of

children.

Their safety concerns were voiced again when the most popular charity mentioned was D.A.R.E., a drug awareness program. Other favorites include the Ronald McDonald house, Children's Miracle Network and Feed the Children.

One-in-four children surveyed say that aluminum cans are "cool" because they "cool really fast" and "they're more recyclable than glass."

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Obituary

DORIS PEUGH

Funeral services for Doris Peugh, 81, of Silverton were conducted Friday, October 20, 2000 at 2:00 p.m. at the Silverton United Methodist Church. Rev. Jay Stinson, pastor, officiated.

Burial was in the Silverton Cemetery by Myers-Long Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Peugh passed away Tuesday, October 17, at Lockney.

She was born April 14, 1919 at Sadler, Texas, and moved to Silverton with her family when she was six years old. She married W. D. Peugh in Silverton. He preceded her in death April 8, 1987.

She was a member of Silverton United Methodist Church and United Methodist Women.

Survivors include two sons, Kenneth Peugh of Dallas and David Deleath Peugh of Porterville, California; a daughter, Darla Millsap of Waco; a brother, C. D. Kirk of Amarillo; and by 13 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Emmett Tomlin, Wayne Nance, W. D. Rowell, Max Weaver, Dale McWaters and James Alan Patton.

Memorials may be made to the

JORGE B. TREVINO

Funeral services for Jorge B. Trevino, 56, of Alamo, were conducted Monday, September 18, 2000, at 10:00 a.m. at St. John the Baptist Catholic Parish in San Juan. Interment followed at Palm Valley Memorial Gardens in Pharr.

Funeral services were under the direction of Memorial Funeral Home in San Juan.

Mr. Trevino passed away Friday, September 15, 2000, at Rio Grande Regional Hospital in McAllen. Born in San Juan, Mr. Trevino had lived in Alamo since 1983. He was a ranch foreman.

Mr. Trevino is survived by his wife, Maria De Jesus Trevino, of Alamo; four sons, Juan P Trevino, Sr. and Esteban Trevino, both of Alamo, Jorge Trevino, Jr., of Austin, and Alberto Trevino of San Juan; five daughters, Nora I. Trevino of Napa, California, Rebecca Trevino, Olda Trevino and Priscilla C. Trevino, all of Alamo, and Josefina Palomar, of San Juan; 15 grandchildren; seven brothers, Octavio Trevino, Agustin Trevino, Eduardo Trevino, Tomas Trevino, Pedro Trevino, Jr., Oscar Trevino and Joe Trevino; and three sisters, Olda Canales, Lourdes Guzman and Oralia Martinez.

Elevator Fund at the Silverton United Methodist Church.

JV Owls Bring Home Big Win

The JV Owls traveled to Happy to take on the Cowboys in a district match-up Thursday afternoon of last week. The Owls came away with a hard-fought victory. The game stayed close until the middle of the third quarter, then the Owls found their rhythm and started putting it to the Cowboys. The score after the first quarter was 8-6 the Owls leading.

The second quarter ended with the Cowboys leading 13-8. Both teams drove the ball down and scored on their first possession to bring the score to 20-16 in favor of the Cowboys.

Then the Owls awoke from a deep sleep and erupted for 24 points. The Owls led after three by a 24-20 margin and never looked back while scoring two touchdowns in the fourth quarter to bring the final score to 40-20 in favor of the JV Owls.

Once again the offensive line, consisting of John Arnold, Eric Minyard, Payton Estes and Tyler Reed, did an outstanding job of picking up the stunts and knowing where to go to allow the running backs to run wild. Nathan Baker scored a rushing touchdown and also caught a pass for another score. Gabriel Castillo scored on a pass from Monty Wood. John Arnold caught a pass for a touchdown from Monty Wood and also scored again rushing.

The Owls have been working on kicking the points after touchdowns for the last couple of weeks and they made all five with Monty making four and Gabriel making one.

The Cowboys had a big team and the Owl defense stepped up and fought hard. Colt Smith, Nathan Baker, Clifton Baker, Gabriel Castillo and Monty Wood made key plays for the Owls by sacking the quarterback and knocking down passes. Tyler Reed, John Arnold, Caleb Francis

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soil and water conservation and sponsor the NRCS as a federal partner. The local SWCD identified resource problems and the NRCS provides the technical expertise to solve these problems. By working together water is conserved, soil is enriched and all enjoy a cleaner and more productive world.

Programs and services of the SWCD and NRCS are offered on a nondiscriminatory basis without regard for race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, marital status, or handicap.

Visitation was held September 17 at Memorial Funeral Home in San Juan, with a 7:00 p.m. rosary.

Rainfall Report For Year 2000

| | 2000 | Yearly Average |
|-----------|-------|----------------|
| January | .16 | .65 |
| February | .00 | .60 |
| March | 2.52 | .93 |
| April | 2.39 | 1.49 |
| May | .80 | 3.11 |
| June | 9.10 | 3.78 |
| July | .46 | 2.39 |
| August | .00 | 2.64 |
| September | .01 | 2.49 |
| October | 1.36 | 1.75 |
| Totals | 16.80 | 19.83 |

Silverton School Activity Calendar

Thursday, Oct. 26--Junior High at Hedley, 5:00

Friday, Oct. 27--Parents' Night Introductions at the ballgame at 7:00 p.m.; Owls vs. Hedley, here, 7:30 p.m.; After-game party--Baptist Church

Saturday, Oct. 28--ACT Test here; Fall Festival, 6:30 p.m., school auditorium; Fall Festival Carnival, 7:00 p.m., Showbarn in Silverton

Silverton School Lunch Menu

Monday, Oct. 30--Hamburger with Cheese, Salad, French Fries, Milk, Cookie

Tuesday, Oct. 31--Fish, Tartar Sauce, Dirty Potatoes, Blackeyed Peas, Cornbread, Milk, Fruit

Wednesday, Nov. 1--Pizza, Salad, Corn, Crackers, Milk

Thursday, Nov. 2--Chicken Fajitas, Hot Sauce, Salad, Refried Beans, Chips, Milk, Peanutbutter Cups

Friday, Nov. 3--Steak, Gravy, Green Beans, Mashed Potatoes, Hot Rolls, Milk, Honey and Butter

Fall Carnival Time is Near

It is time for the Fall Festival Carnival once again. This event is sponsored by the Little League Organization and will be held October 28 at the Showbarn following the Fall Festival Coronation at school.

All booths will be \$5.00 and need to be reserved by the 27th. Please call 823-2555 to reserve a booth.

This is a family event, so you are asked that all booths and costumes are of a fun nature and are not ghoulish.

and Eric Minyard also played key roles in the Owls' defensive stand late in the game.

The Owls will be open this week but will return to action in two weeks against Happy at home for a game scheduled for 7:00 p.m. The JV Owls have two games remaining and would like to have your support to carry them to victory.

Happy Birthday--

October 26--Ruby McWaters, Melba Caffety, Joe Self, Kay Garrison, Matt Lawrence, Mitch Martin, Delton Cleveland

October 27--Yance Forbes, Lane Garvin, Tobe Riddell, Ashley Kay McCoy, Cheyenne Williams

October 28--Tim Gamble, Gerald Smith, Stephen Stephens, Ester Trevino, Janna Nichole Schott, Coty Braddock, Mike Smith

October 29--Jonnie Weaver, Bill McGavock

October 30--Theta Holt, Adrienne Hubbard

October 31--Carolyn Lowrey, Jeremy Holt, Misty Wilkinson, Linda Baird, Roger Cantwell, Heraclio Ramirez, jr.

November 1--Ann Brown Wright, Don Curry, Bertha James, Kayla Ramsey, Brian Martin, LaVern Kingery, Marshall McCammon, Jordyn McCutchen

Happy Anniversary--

October 26--Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Birdwell

October 27--Mr. and Mrs. Susano Netro, Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Burson

October 28--Mr. and Mrs. Stan Couch

October 30--Mr. and Mrs. Cris Gill

November 1--Mr. and Mrs. Mark James

MY FRIEND

It is very important to be in church! We shouldn't be deceived, troubled, by what we have seen, or have heard. But, that our eyes be fastened above where our help is from! Is it good to say church is not important? For any reason! Perhaps of some special thought, dream, or a verse to have come from the truth?

It is written: 2 Thessalonians 2:2, that ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by Spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as if from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand!!

Many will come, my friend, in the name of Christ, and even today it is here! And will show great signs. At least on Sundays GO? Church can lead us to the truth, when, where, there is Bible Study, and the preaching of God's word... Holy Ghost Preaching!! God loves us in church as church!! And not outside! As if God said... What is False shall be known first! and we shall know the Glory of Jesus the Lord at his coming! Pastor: Armando Davalia Don't be fooled! There are Good Ministers, Pastors in this town...

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David Beebe, Pastor

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

**SILVERTON
CHURCH OF CHRIST**
Hal Rogers, Minister

SUNDAY:
Sunday School.....9:00 a.m.
Morning Worship.....10:00 a.m.
Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY:
Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Randy G. Mullin, Pastor

SUNDAY:
Library Opens.....9:15 a.m.
Bible Study/S.S..... 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship.....10:30 a.m.
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.

WEDNESDAY:
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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.

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



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Recently I purchased three shirts that were on sale. I liked them so much that I decided to go back to the store and buy three more in different colors. I often think about what I need and what I want, and quite often the line between them becomes blurred. Although I sometimes have trouble turning down a good sale, I realize that the more things I buy, the more things I have to maintain, store, and eventually get rid of. Jesus tells us in the Bible, "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is there your heart will be also" (Matthew 6:19-21). We are told that our Heavenly Father will provide us with our needs; we just have to control our wants.



But rather seek ye the kingdom of God; and all these things shall be added unto you.

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through the files of the
Briscoe County News

October 11, 1990--Cogdell Memorial Trust Fund presents gift to Silverton's Ambulance Service . . . Red Ribbon Week to be observed in Silverton . . . Owls enjoy big 71-35 victory at Follett . . . Plans being finalized for Halloween Carnival . . . Junior High Owls earn 19-13 victory at Amherst . . .

October 9, 1980--Jeff Smith showed grand champion of the Tri-State Fair Bantam Show . . . Graveside services held for the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald West . . . Owls to open district action at home with Motley County Friday night . . . Before an archway of candles and greenery, Miss Becky Francis became the bride of Robert Kevin Drew Friday evening at the Rock Creek Church of Christ . . . Two-way starter Gary Juarez has earned Plainview Daily Herald Player of the Week honors for his offensive and defensive performances in the Owls' contest against Groom . . . Sam Hunt, 84, buried Friday . . . Mickey Piggs dies in Louisiana . . . Mrs. Ashel McDaniel entered Central Plains Hospital in Plainview Monday morning and is undergoing treatment there . . . J. L. West has been a patient at Methodist Hospital in Lubbock since September 11 . . .

October 1, 1970--Owls hand 32-6 defeat to Groom's Tigers . . . Owl coaches this year are Tom Wright, Bill Stovall and Pete Hubbart . . . Nanette and Suzette Fitzgerald entered Appaloosa horses in the youth show at the Tri-State Fair in Amarillo last week. Nanette, riding F's Domino Rip, took first place in the stake race and first place in the barrel race. Suzette, riding Cheta Barbi, placed second in the stake race and third in the barrel race . . . Junior Owls take 8-0 win from Turkey . . . A birthday dinner was held for Mrs. Cora Donnell, who was 89 on September 28, Sunday in the home of her daughter, Agnes Bingham . . . Orlin Grabbe received the bachelor of arts degree in a ceremony June 5 in the beautiful Lower Gardens on the campus of ambassador College in Pasadena, California. He is now employed as an assistant in the Journalism Department at AC. Lester Grabbe received a master of arts degree in theology and history in the same ceremony. He is presently employed in the Adult Education Extension Department at AC. Their brother, Crockett Grabbe, is enrolled for the fall term at The University of Texas in Austin. He is a junior majoring in chemistry, and posted a 3.948 grade point average for the summer term . . .

October 6, 1960--Owls robbed by Kress, 14-12, in final seconds of game . . . Hill Variety Store

moving to new location . . . Clarence D. Kerns will assume the duties of Briscoe County Agent next week . . . City Welders, owned and operated by Bobby McDaniel, is now equipped to handle all your welding, repair or building needs . . . Ground-breaking ceremony held for Plainview Production Credit office . . . Silverton gaining services of medical doctor, Robert Neville Muckleroy . . . Miss Emmett Tomlin is winner of Miss Freshman of SHS in assembly program. Runners-up were Miss Riley Harris and Miss Lester Grabbe. The freshman girls, wearing their pajamas, sang "I Put on my Prayers and Said My Pajamas" . . . Mr. and Mrs. Charlie M. Chappell celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at their new home here last Sunday . . . Mr. and Mrs. John Earl Simpson are parents of a son, John Earl III . . . Mr. and Mrs. Don Cornett are parents of a daughter, Kim . . .

October 12, 1950--Oil test well is drilling below 2,000 feet northeast of Silverton . . . Sgt. W. A. (Billy) Self wounded in action in Japan . . . Lynda Mercer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Mercer, was a patient in the local hospital most of this week . . . Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McGavock and son visited one day last week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Comer in Amarillo . . . Jesse Grimland has moved his blacksmith equipment to Bill Long's Welding Shop on the highway and the two businesses will be operated together . . . Guests in the home of Mrs. Dan Montague Monday were Mrs. W. E. Redin, Mrs. Alton Steele and Mrs. R. C. Alexander . . . Mr. and Mrs. Bud McMinn called on Mr. and Mrs. Jess Lovvorn of Lone Star Monday evening . . .

November 21, 1946--Owls defeat Lakeview, 19-6 . . . The district committee, composed of representatives of the schools at Claude, Vega, Groom, Happy, Estelline, Turkey, Flomot, Quitaque, Kress and Silverton (with Silverton and Flomot having no vote) ruled in Amarillo Saturday of last week that the Silverton football team is ineligible for play in the District championship contest this year on the ground that one boy who has been participating in games was not scholastically eligible. Flomot was ruled out of conference play by the same committee that ruled Silverton out and this leaves Estelline to play Happy for the District championship . . . Hilton (Runt) Vardell, an employee at the Wise Gin in Quitaque, was taken to the Plainview hospital Monday when he had the misfortune of getting his left hand caught in a cog of the gin machinery . . . Jett Mason, Don Burson and

Hershel Harrison spent the weekend with John Burson on his ranch . . . Demonstration of a new wheat plow is to be held Sunday afternoon at the home of D. N. McGavock . . . Honoring their son, Truman, on his birthday, Mr. and Mrs. Barney Stephens entertained with a weiner roast in their backyard Wednesday evening . . . Miss Juanita Edwards visited with her father, Andrew Edwards, in Lubbock recently . . . Mr. and Mrs. Ted Childress moved to their new home on Broadway last week . . . Mr. and Mrs. Oner Cornett entertained a number of


Researchers Seek To Enhance Biological Control of Crop Pests

Cotton pests put a large dent in producers' pocketbooks each year. Experiment Station entomologist Jeff Slasser is studying the potential of relay intercropping as a biological control of these costly pests. The process involves planting two or more different crops which provide a good habitat for

beneficial insects. He says the crops provide a winter and spring home for beneficial insects that will later move into summer cotton and prey on pest populations. The relay crops are planted in adjacent strips to make it easier for beneficial insects to move from one habitat to another. This information was provided by Brandon McGinty, County Extension Agent-Ag.

The first Presidential mansion was located at No. 1 Cherry Street, the Franklin House at the corner of Franklin and Cherry Streets in New York City. President Washington occupied it from 1789 until 1890.

friends with a forty-two party at their home in the Haylake community Friday evening . . .



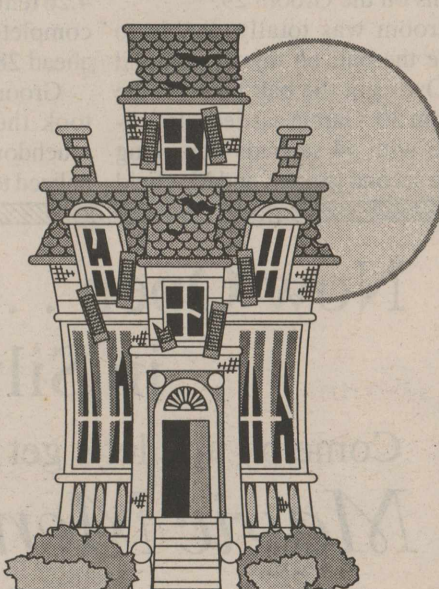
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| | High | Low | Precip. |
|---------------------------------|------|-----|---------|
| 1 | 91 | 56 | |
| 2 | 96 | 56 | |
| 3 | 98 | 54 | |
| 4 | 100 | 56 | |
| 5 | 85 | 58 | |
| 6 | 79 | 43 | |
| 7 | 44 | 33 | .06 |
| 8 | 40 | 32 | .36 |
| 9 | 44 | 31 | |
| 10 | 52 | 35 | |
| 11 | 61 | 35 | |
| 12 | 71 | 35 | |
| 13 | 77 | 57 | |
| 14 | 83 | 59 | |
| 15 | 81 | 58 | .10 |
| 16 | 72 | 49 | .04 |
| 17 | 71 | 53 | .11 |
| 18 | 65 | 50 | .20 |
| 19 | 75 | 48 | |
| 20 | 73 | 46 | |
| 21 | 72 | 53 | |
| 22 | 69 | 55 | .07 |
| 23 | 73 | 56 | |
| 24 | 75 | 57 | .22 |
| Total Precip. in October | | | 1.16 |
| Normal Precip. for Oct. | | | 1.75 |
| Total 2000 Precip. Rec'd, | | | 16.60 |
| Normal Precip. for Year to Date | | | 19.83 |

Social Security Numbers

"Identity theft" is a growing crime in the United States and seniors are often the victims. According to TREA Senior Citizens League (TSCL), the best way to protect yourself is by not giving out your Social Security number.

"Criminals can use Social Security numbers to obtain bank accounts, false drivers licenses and more," says Michael Zabko, Executive Director of TSCL.

In recent months, flyers have circulated, stating that seniors born from 1917 through 1926 must register their Social Security numbers with TSCL in order to benefit from pending legislation. According to Zabko, this is absolutely false.

TELCOT[®] Report

A WEEKLY SUMMARY OF COTTON MARKETING NEWS

Heavy fund selling added to market weakness this week as New York Cotton futures closed lower four out of five days.

Net export sales during the week ended October 12 reached the highest level in five weeks, but figures still were not as high as the market felt they should be at this point in the marketing year. According to USDA, U. S. export sales of 97,100 were 70 percent above the previous week and 95 percent higher than the four-week average. Surprisingly, export shipments dropped during the week to a marketing-year low.

Turkey remained the primary purchaser of competitively priced Memphis/Orleans/Texas cotton descriptions with purchases totaling 77,900. Because harvesting has been slowed by rainy weather in the country, importers are attempting to fill immediate gaps in production with outside growths. Traders did not place much interest in the slight surge in business to Turkey and termed the transactions as "routine." Sales commitments are running 48 percent of total projected sales for upland cotton compared with a five-year average of 60 percent. Weak world currencies coupled with a strong

"It is true that TSCL is working for passage of Notch Reform," he said, "but we do not need your Social Security number for this."

TSCL is a national group of politically active seniors concerned about the protection of their earned Social Security, Medicare, military and other retirement benefits. For more information, send a self-addressed business-size envelope to: TREA Senior Citizens League, Dept. N943, 909 N. Washington St., Suite 300, Alexandria, VA 22314.

U. S. dollar are the main reasons for lagging sales, according to traders. Analysts said the U. S. dollar's strength compared to the Euro dollar and Australian dollar was making U. S. cotton too expensive for overseas buyers.

"The United States is not competitive," a trader said. "We're not going to sell an incredible amount of cotton while others have supplies."

Meanwhile, activity in the spot cotton market was sluggish for the week ended October 19 as sales on TELCOT totaled only 3,716 bales versus an impressive 15,366 bales sold the previous week. Average daily prices received by producers utilizing the electronic marketing system were lower for the week as a range of 48.33 to 52.45 cents per pound was obtained by farmers compared to 51.94 to 55.25 cents the previous week.

Fundamental news held no surprises this week with USDA reporting the U. S. harvest at 52 percent complete as compared to a five-year average of 40 percent. The department showed 46 percent of Texas cotton now is out of the field, but harvesting in the state may stall due to expectations of heavy rain on the High Plains. Scattered rainfall was reported in the region this week keeping some producers out of the field. Heavy rain is in the forecast for the weekend placing crop quality in a more tenuous situation. The frequent succession of rain events may raise the risk of boll rot and certainly will keep the potential for lower fiber quality through discoloration high.

News that China is increasing the pace of state cotton reserve sales to keep its domestic prices down and its textile exports competitive could be bullish for world cotton prices over the long term, analysts said. However, it casts doubt on a general market assumption that China will import cotton this spring.

"The question becomes, will the release enough cotton so that they won't have to import? At some point all they'll have left is cotton so poor their mills won't want to use it," one analyst said. "If they don't import this year, then next year," she added.

USDA estimated China's 2000-01 ending stocks at 10.25 million bales, down from the previous year's 14.95 million bales. Historically, China has supported domestic prices above world rates by keeping huge amount of cotton out of the market and in a reserve. With entry into the World Trade Organization as a goal, China has been working ending stocks down to a more manageable size.

Cotton PCG News

from Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.

With passage of the FY2001 Agriculture Appropriations Bill by an overwhelming margin in the Senate, the road toward delivery of several important programs to a struggling ag sector is getting closer.

The Senate voted 86-8 to approve the spending measure on October 18. The Bill includes funding for several key programs important to cotton in Texas. Unfortunately, Texas split Senate votes on the Bill with Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison supporting the final measure and Sen. Phil Gramm voting against the package.

Of prime importance to a struggling Texas ag sector was the measure's inclusion of a Disaster Assistance Package aimed at offsetting the disastrous effects of drought and significant increases in energy and crop related expenses during the year.

The Texas agricultural sector is reeling from estimated losses nearing \$1 billion. While the nationwide Disaster Assistance Program will not offset all of those losses, it is expected to help significantly.

Other important funding items included an unprecedented increase in Federal support for cotton boll weevil eradication programs. Total spending approved, and added to future budget baselines, is \$79 million for boll weevil programs in FY2001.

This is good news for growers across the State, but is especially welcome to active and soon to be active eradication zones on the Texas High Plains. Now these zones have the opportunity to off-

set costs and reduce the overall producer costs to eliminate the boll weevil.

Right now, however, the primary interest among producers are the parameters under which the Disaster Assistance Program will operate. The good news is that authority is given to the Secretary of Agriculture to expend whatever funds needed to carry out scored provisions for Quantity and Quality losses. That means no waiting for determination of a national factor after all applications are received and immediate processing of claims once sign-up begins.

Cotton industry officials at Plains Cotton Growers, the National Cotton Council and others are working feverishly to determine what will and will not be included when the final program is implemented.

A certain level of comfort is allowed by the fact that the Quantity loss provisions should be carried out basically as they have been in past disaster programs.

Quality losses are still somewhat up in the air as the provisions were not written with enough specificity to fully account for the differences between cotton quality losses and quality losses incurred by other commodities.

It is felt that acceptable implementation strategies will be developed for cotton, making relief from quality losses an area that ultimately provides beneficial assistance to growers with the problem.

Unfortunately, this path is sure to be filled with a plentiful number of false hopes, blind corners and obstacles.



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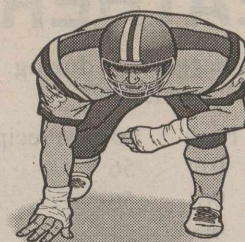
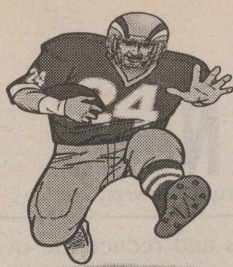
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2000 SILVERTON OWLS--(back row, left to right) 27-Marcos Patino, 85-Dustin Hale, 28-Nicholas Vargas, 5-Brandon Stephens, 24-Adrian Ramirez; (fourth row) 80-John Arnold, 12-Duncan Vernon, 30-Matt Strange, 6-Tyler Young, 40-Andrew Francis, 2-Isaiah Ivory; (third row) 19-Caleb Francis, 1-Clint Ivory, 4-Payton Estes, 38-Colt Smith, 7-Monty Wood; (second row) 21-Chase Comer, 3-Red Ivory, 32-Issac Garcia, 47-Tyler Reed; (sitting) 44-Clifton Baker, Manager Galen Smith, 82-Eric Minyard.

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Seventh Grade Owls Carved Out a 31-28 Victory Against Groom Cubs

Silverton's Seventh Grade Owls hosted the Groom Tiger Cubs Thursday of last week, and played hard to pull out a last-minute 31-28 victory.

The Owls kicked off to open the game, and broke away two plays later for a first down on the Silverton 20, with Yance Forbes making a touchdown-saving tackle.

Yance made more tackles before being taken away to the hospital with a large laceration in his mouth, on which the suturing was finished about 3:30 a.m. Friday.

The Owl defense held, and the ball went over to the Owls on the Silverton 12. Jeronimo Garcia took a Max Comer pass for a first down, then picked up a few more yards before scoring with 48 seconds remaining in the first quarter. There was no PAT, and the Owls held a slim 6-0 lead.

As the second quarter began, Gid Mayfield and Thor Patton were teaming up to hold the Tigers, and Ramon Martinez made a good tackle. The Tiger Cubs scored from five yards out, passed complete for the PAT, and moved into a 7-6 lead with 5:19 remaining before half-time.

After the Owls took Groom's kickoff, Garcia bucked through the line for a few yards. The Tigers received a five-yard face-mask violation penalty before Mayfield hit Jacob Francis with a first-down pass. Patton ran for five yards, and Mayfield completed another pass to Francis for seven yards, but the Owls saw the ball go over on downs on the Groom 29.

Groom was totally unable to move the ball on this series, and the Owls got the ball back on the Groom 30. Garcia carried a touchdown with 54 seconds remaining in the second quarter, and Mayfield

hit Ramon Martinez with a pass for the PAT to make the score 13-6, favoring the Owls.

The Owls kicked off, and Patton held on until help arrived. The Tigers made a first down on the Silverton 15, with Garcia saving another touchdown, before scoring with 27 ticks remaining on the clock. The Tigers ran the PAT into the endzone, and went back into the lead 14-13.

Following halftime, an Owl pass was intercepted for a touchdown by the Cubs, who also ran the PAT and moved ahead 21-13 with 4:23 remaining in the third quarter.

Groom kicked off and the Owls started their offensive series on their own 30. Garcia ran 41 yards for a touchdown on first down. There was no PAT, and with 3:59 remaining in the third quarter, the Owls continued to trail, 19-21.

When the Owls kicked off to Groom, Albert DeLeon recovered the ball for Silverton. Mayfield hit Garcia with a pass, after which he hit Martinez with another that was good for a first down. Garcia took a pitchout and went around left end for a four-yard gain, after which Mayfield completed another pass to Francis. Garcia carried the touchdown around the right end, scoring with 1:09 still on the third-quarter clock. There was no PAT, and the Owls moved into a 25-21 lead.

As the fourth quarter began, the Tigers picked up a first down on the Silverton 21 in spite of defense by Mayfield. The Cubs scored with 4:26 remaining in the game, passed complete for the PAT, and went ahead 28-25.

Groom kicked off and Garcia took the ball all the way for a touchdown, but the Owls were penalized to erase this play. On fourth



JUNIOR HIGH OWLS--(back row, left to right) Michael Henderson (65), Logan Fisher (4), Chance Rhoderick (60), Beau Brock (55), James Tiffin (33), Coach Ryan Dykes; (third row) Joshua Maciel (5), Ethan Long (7), Joseph Baeza (85), Albert DeLeon (35), Zack Burson (48), Thor Patton (11); (kneeling) Jacob Francis (40), Joe Olivas (55), Max Comer (2), Jeronimo Garcia (50), Tanner Young (42), Jesse Reynolds, manager; (sitting) Yance Forbes (8), Gid Mayfield (14), Ramon Martinez (44), Bert Vasquez (12).
Photo by R Photography

down, needing 20 yards, Mayfield passed complete to Martinez for a first down on the Groom 35. Garcia ran for 14 yards before the Owls got a first down on the Groom six via the face-mask penalty. Mayfield passed to Martinez for the touchdown with 54 seconds remaining in the game. The pass for PAT was incomplete, and the Owls were ahead again, 31-28.

The Owls kicked off again, the Tiger Cubs fumbled and the Owls grabbed the ball back with 40 seconds remaining.

Garcia picked up a yard before Mayfield hit Garcia with another pass. Groom was calling timeout after every play, so on the last one, Mayfield ran all over the field while the seconds ticked off the clock to seal the Owl victory.



JUNIOR HIGH CHEERLEADERS--Camisha Wilson, Hanna James and Melonie Johnson, all seventh graders.
Photo by R Photography

Texas Drought Losses To Exceed \$1 Billion

Agricultural losses in Texas caused by drought have exceeded one billion dollars, according to information provided by Brandon McGinty, County Extension Agent-Ag.

The latest total includes losses to the state's fall harvested crops of cotton, corn and sorghum. Expenses incurred by ranchers to early feed and water livestock also are added. Extension economists say cotton was the hardesthit commodity. Estimated cotton losses have reached \$485 million as extreme heat and dry conditions devastated the crop.

Dryland cotton planted throughout the central and western areas of the state couldn't withstand another round of record-breaking temperatures and lack of rainfall. The rainfall in the Rolling Plains region for the 90 days starting July 1 was only nine percent of normal rainfall. The Lubbock area did not fare much better with just 27 percent of normal rainfall from July to September.

September Weather Significantly Warmer and Drier on South Plains

Weather across the Texas South Plains during the month of September 2000 was significantly warmer and drier than normal.

Temperatures averaged 3.6 degrees above normal and ranged from 1.3 degrees above normal at Matador to 4.3 degrees above normal at Friona.

Silverton's temperatures averaged 72.9 degrees, which was 2.1 degrees warmer than the South Plains average.

Maximum temperatures averaged 6.9 degrees above normal and ranged from 4.0 degrees above normal at Matador to 8.3 degrees above normal at Jayton. The highest temperature reported during the month was 108 degrees at several locations on the South Plains.

Silverton's maximum temperatures averaged 89.4 degrees, which was less than two degrees below the South Plains average.

Minimum temperatures averaged 0.2 degree above normal. The lowest temperature reported during the month was 30 degrees at

Dimmitt on the 26th.

Silverton's minimum temperatures averaged 56.3 degrees, which was 1.3 degrees below the South Plains average.

Precipitation averaged 2.49 inches below normal and ranged from 3.00 inches below normal at Jayton to 1.84 inches below normal at Paducah.

The trace of rainfall received in Silverton during the month was .05 of an inch below the South Plains average.

BCAA To Meet

Briscoe County Activities Association will have its regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. today (Thursday, Nov. 26) at the Showbarn in Silverton.

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