

**All Around
 The Town**

By Mary Ann Sarchet



I am so thankful for surprises! I received a really big one last Saturday night when our door opened and our grandson, Jordan, and his girlfriend, Kim Reagan, came in. We were expecting them—but not who they had with them! It was our granddaughter, Molly, whom we had not seen since we were at her house in Rowlett last July. Since she wasn't going to be able to be here at Christmas, she came to spend the first part of this week. (Her school is out all this week for the holiday.)

I hope all your Thanksgiving wishes come true, and all your Thanksgiving surprises are as wonderful as ours has been!

First Baptist Church Youth will host a party for Silverton area kids on Sunday afternoon, December 2, from 3:00 until 5:00 p.m. at the park across the street from the church, or in the fellowship hall of the church, according to the weather. This will be a Christmas Party for Pre-K through Third Grade, and the Church Youth say "Come and play with us!"

Tag, Duck-Duck-Goose and other fun games are planned.

The Amarillo Railroad Museum will be holding its seventh annual Christmas Train Show, "The Magic of Christmas Past 2001," at Western Plaza (east entrance-next to Radio Shack) in Amarillo in November and December. The show begins on Friday after Thanksgiving and through Sunday this weekend. The hours will be noon to 7:00 p.m. Following that, the show will be open from noon to 7:00 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays and 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Fridays. It will be open from noon to 4:00 p.m. on Christmas Eve, December 26-31, it will be open from noon to 7:00 p.m. except on New Year's Eve when it will be open from noon to 4:00 p.m.

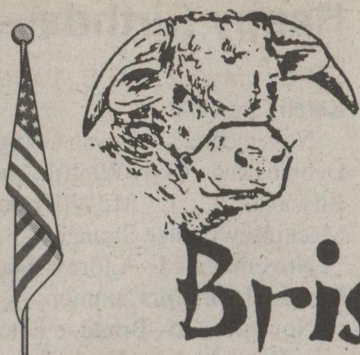
You can win a complete HO-scale model railroad layout that members of the association have specially hand-built for this event.

You are invited to bring the family and enjoy the fun of the largest model railroad in the Texas Panhandle.

There are five scale miles of railroad, trains and railroad videos.

All proceeds-help fund The Amarillo Railroad Museum, Inc., a non-profit educational charity.

The first World Series of the modern era was played between the Boston Pilgrims of the newly formed American League and the National League Pittsburgh Pirates in 1903. Boston won the series five games to three.



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Rowdy Cogdell
 with the four gold medals and two silver medals he won.

Rowdy Cogdell Competes in Sports Extravaganza For Blind

A few weeks ago Rowdy Cogdell, seven-year-old son of Rank and Toy Cogdell, traveled to Irving, Texas to participate in the third annual Sports Extravaganza for the Blind and Visually Impaired. He represented Silverton well by winning four gold medals and two silver medals, competing in 50 meter dash, 100 meter dash, softball throw, standing long jump, beep ball skills and goal ball skills.

There were about 150 entries this year, coming from as far away as Colorado. This was the third year for the Sports Extravaganza which was sponsored by Region 10 Education Service Center and Lions Club International District 2-X1.

Rowdy was cheered on by his parents; little brother, Riley, and Tula grandparents, Bill and Twila Whitten.

2001 Precipitation Summary

	Normal Precip.	Precip. Received
January	.65	1.94
February	.60	.87
March	.93	3.23
April	1.49	1.12
May	3.11	5.26
June	3.78	.93
July	2.39	.32
August	2.64	4.42
September	2.49	1.94
October	1.75	.02
November	.71	1.49
Totals	20.54	21.54

Turkey Jamboree

Turkey's next jamboree is scheduled for December 1 at the Bob Wills Community Gymnasium.

Entertainers will include Michael Grace and the Panhandle Back Roads Band; John Walker, Grand Prairie, a good Floyd Cramer-sounding piano player; Lance May, Lubbock; Bennie Brown and Friends, Amarillo; the Turkey Gems and the Talent Showcase.

Turkey TAFCE Club will have the concession stand. Dinner music begins at 6:30 p.m.

Changes Made To Stock Show Schedule

Voting Precincts Combined For December 4 Runoff

Briscoe County voting precincts have been combined for the upcoming State Senate District 30 runoff election scheduled for December 4, 2001.

Voting precincts 1, 3, 4 and 5 will be voting in the Pioneer Room at City Bank in Silverton and voting precincts 2 and 6 will vote at the Community Center in Quitaque.

Early voting by personal appearance will begin November 26 and continue through November 30.

The ballot will consist of two candidates running for the State Senate District 30 office, Craig Estes, Republican, and Greg L. Underwood, Democrat. Neither candidate received 50% of the votes cast in the November 6 election, therefore bringing the need for a runoff election.

Money Approved For Boll Weevil Eradication Fight

Boll weevils, reeling from the effective eradication program Texas farmers have been waging in the nation's largest cotton state, have new reason to fear. The U. S. Senate passed H. R. 2330, the Agriculture Appropriations Act which includes \$25 million for boll weevil eradication efforts in Texas.

"Texas cotton growers have led the fight against the boll weevil," U. S. Senator Phil Gramm said. "Now they will have the tools to finish off this pest."

In an effort to assist farmers in their battle against this crop-destroying pest, Gramm introduced the Boll Weevil Eradication Equity Act last year which authorized the federal cost share contribution to the states and producers fighting the infestation. This year's funding will continue those efforts.

"Our cotton producers have and will save tens of thousands of dollars in pesticide and other preventative measures, keeping more money in the checkbooks of Texas families. I am grateful for this

Briscoe County Stock Show time is fast approaching. The 2002 show will be held at the Briscoe County Showbarn in Silverton Thursday, January 17 through Saturday, January 19. A few changes to the normal schedule have been made this year.

The Goat Show, a new event, will be on Thursday, beginning at 5:00 p.m. followed by the Lamb Show, Heifer Show and finishing up the evening will be the Steer Show.

Weigh-in for the sheep and goats will be Thursday from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Cattle will be weighed in from 3:00 until 4:00 p.m. on Thursday.

Swine will be weighed in Friday, January 18, beginning at 1:00 p.m. and will show on Saturday, January 19, beginning at 8:30 a.m.

There will be a pee wee showmanship following the swine show, which is open to all kids under third grade.

The Buyers' Brisket Supper will begin Saturday evening at 5:00 p.m. followed by the presentation of awards at 6:00 and the Premium Auction at 6:30.

The Stock Show board decided to make the Auction a "Blizzard Walk Thru" with the kids walking through the sale ring without their animals, as it was done last year due to bad weather.

Silverton FFA will have the concession stand open Thursday, Friday and Saturday while all weigh-in and shows are taking place. Everyone is urged to support the FFA in this fundraiser.

funding, especially for Senator Hutchison's hard work on securing it," he said.

Eradication efforts throughout the state have led to increased production and a dramatic reduction of the chemicals required to protect the state's cotton crop. The higher yields, environmental benefits and lower workloads are welcome results. "Growers want cotton they can market," Gramm said, "not a government bailout for a destroyed crop."

H. R. 2330 was passed by the House of Representatives on November 13. It now goes to the White House for the President's signature.

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Cards of Thanks

My sincere gratitude and appreciation to our beloved family and friends, the EMT members and ambulance crew, Tony Boyd, Ed Norris and Wayne Nance for driving our car to Amarillo, and all those who prayed for Shafe while he was in the hospital and at home. The food, visits, phone calls and cards, and your love and prayers have meant so much to us.

God bless you always,
Shafe and Jonnie

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We would like to express our appreciation to the Silverton Volunteer Fire Department for their speedy and sufficient response in our small bale yard fire. Johnson's Gin Crew

I would like to thank our 4-H Food Show donors: City Bank, FNB-Quitauque, Johnson's Gin, D & K Manufacturing, Silverton Oil Co., Brown-McMurtry, Caprock SWCD and Marcy Pena.

Your continued support of our programs is appreciated. Emily Garcia

The high school GT classes would like to thank all the veterans for coming to the Veterans Day ceremony. It is important that we remember and thank our veterans for serving our country. We appreciate all that you have done for us.

Thanks again,
Silverton High School GT

On behalf of all the veterans who were present at your "National Veterans Awareness Week" program. We want to thank all of those who helped put this program on, especially all of the students who were in attendance! You made our day, and each one of us appreciated it very much.

Thanks!
The Veterans

Thanks to all the jurors who donated their jury duty money to the Senior Citizens!

We appreciate you doing this very much; it helps pay the bills. Fred Strange, President, Sr. Cit.

4-H CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Nov. 22-23--Thanksgiving holiday observed; Extension office closed

Nov. 25--Dimmitt Pig Jackpot
Dec. 1--District 4-H Food Show, 9:30 a.m., Westover Intermediate School, Amarillo

Dec. 8--Showmanship Clinic, 10:00 a.m., Silverton Showbarn

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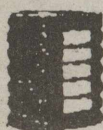
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ASSEMBLY OF GOD**

Jimmy Green Pastor

SUNDAY

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

**SILVERTON
CHURCH OF CHRIST**

Tom Craiker, 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**

Tony Boyd, Pastor

SUNDAY:

Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Worship Service.....10:55 a.m.
Choir Practice..... 5:00 p.m.
Evening Bible Study..... 6:00 p.m.

TUESDAY:

Unit. Meth. Women..... 9:30 a.m.

WEDNESDAY:

In-home Bible Study..... 7:00 p.m.

FRIDAY:

Unit. Meth. Men..... 6:30 a.m.

**NEW FELLOWSHIP
BAPTIST MISSION**

SUNDAY:

Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
Worship Service.....11:00 a.m.
Training Union.....5:00 p.m.
Evening Service.....6:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY:

Choir Rehearsal.....7:00 p.m.
Prayer Service.....8:00 p.m.

**OUR LADY OF LORETO
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

Father Ed Graff, Pastor

SUNDAY:

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

WEDNESDAY:

Doctrina Class.....4:30-5:30 p.m.
Junior & Senior
High.....4:30-5:30 p.m.

**ROCK CREEK
CHURCH OF CHRIST**

SUNDAY:

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

WEDNESDAY:

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

La Iglesia de Dios De Jesus

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Armando Davalia, Pastor

SUNDAY:

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

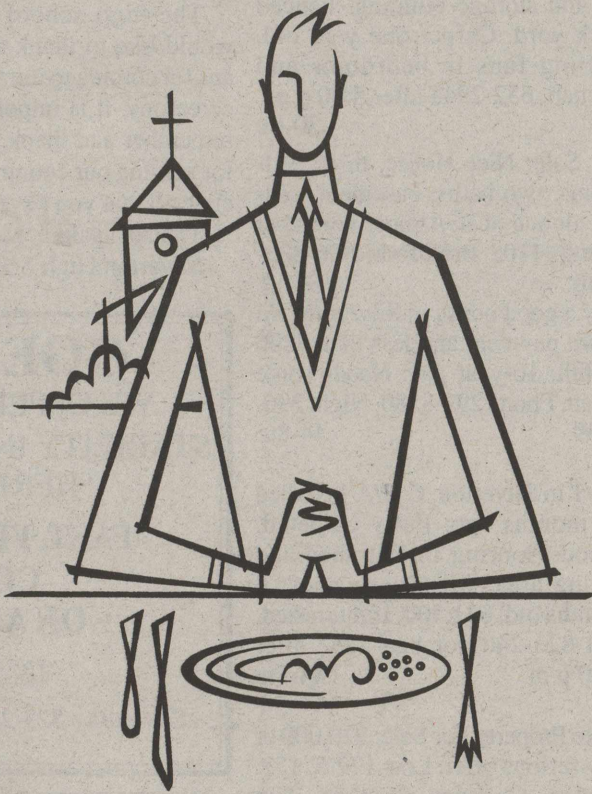
WEDNESDAY:

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

MONDAY-SATURDAY:

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

Grace and Gratitude



*O give thanks unto the Lord;
for He is good:
because His mercy endureth
for ever.*

K.J.V. Psalm 118:1

The words "grace" and "gratitude" both come from the Latin word "gratus," which means favorable or pleasing, and from which we get the expression "gratis," which means a gift or favor that is freely given. We see the connection between God's grace and our gratitude in "saying grace," which is expressing our gratitude for God's freely-given gift of food. How easy it is to forget, and thus to be unwittingly ungrateful for, all of the wonderful things in our lives that come to us freely by the grace of God. Our families and friends, our health and well-being, indeed, our very lives and the world we inhabit are truly gifts from our Heavenly Father. These are given freely to us and our Lord expects nothing in return, except our love and gratitude. Surely, this is a testimony to God's overflowing and abundant love for all of us. We do well to remember the ultimate source of this great bounty—our loving and gracious God. In turn, we should imitate his love through our charity to others.



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Obituary

JON DAVID McDANIEL

Funeral services for Jon David McDaniel, 49, were conducted Monday at 3:30 p.m. at Schooler-Gordon Bell Avenue Chapel in Amarillo with Charles Waugh, minister of Westview Christian Church, officiating. Burial was in Memorial Park Cemetery.

Mr. McDaniel died Saturday, November 17, in Amarillo.

He was born in Silverton November 28, 1951 to Robert and Hazel McDaniel. He was Project Manager and Project Engineer for Mechanical-Interiors, Inc., Austin Division. He spent most of his career flying the United States, consulting as Electrical and Mechanical Engineer. His hobbies included flying fixed wing single engine airplanes and horseback riding.

He married Sherry Prutsman February 13, 1991 in Clovis, New Mexico.

Survivors include his parents, of Amarillo; his wife, Sherry, of the home; daughter, Kiesha Hangee with grandchildren Jesse and Marrisca of Palmdale, California; sons, Kevin Waddell with grandchildren Sarah, Micah and Alex of Austin, Scott Brewer with granddaughter Baylee Jordie of Cedar Creek; brothers, Mitchell McDaniel of The Colony, Donald McDaniel of San Jose, California; sisters, Sandy Bonvillian of San Jose, California, Jan Agee of Amarillo, Robbi Rivers of Amarillo; several nieces and nephews.

The family suggests memorials to be sent to BSA Hospice, P. O. Box 950, Amarillo, TX 79105-9975, or Olivia's Angels, c/o BSA Hospice, or a favorite charity.

Modest Drop Foreseen in Cotton Crop

The Texas Agricultural Statistics Service (TASS) lowered projections for High Plains cotton production by 80,000 bales November 9 when it released the November 1-based crop production report.

Nationwide the report increased Upland cotton production by 100,000 bales from an unchanged 13.9 million harvested acres. Upland cotton projections were placed at 19.557 million bales. All cotton projections were set at 20.175 million bales, up 103,000 bales from October 1.

Details from the crop production report include the observation that in Texas the data collected in the Objective Yield Surveys showed that while the number of harvestable bolls was relatively high, the average weight per boll was the second lightest recorded in the past ten years.

With the December 1 estimate TASS is expected to true up its planted and harvested acreage numbers. This could produce further revisions to the High Plains estimate, especially should the number of harvested acres in the high yielding 1-N reporting district be lowered.

Projections from the Lubbock and Lamesa USDA Classing offices indicate a crop in the neighborhood of 2.25 million running bales.

Out of suffering have emerged the strongest souls; the most massive characters are sheared with scars.

--E. H. Chapin

Free Blood Test Clinic is Planned

The Texas Agricultural Extension Service is collaborating with Kathy Fuston of Covenant Home Health Care to provide a free blood pressure/blood sugar clinic.

The clinic will be held in the basement of the Briscoe County Courthouse on Wednesday, November 28, 2001 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Everyone is invited to take advantage of this free service, according to Cory Payne, Briscoe County Extension Agent-Family & Consumer Sciences.

Amarillo Farm & Ranch Show Begins Nov. 27

The 17th annual Amarillo Farm & Ranch Show November 27-29 is right around the corner with a sold-out exhibitor floor featuring the latest in farm and ranch equipment. This year's show follows the tradition set by previous years of offering producers in a five-state area with educational seminars, the latest new products and a chance to speak directly with leading manufacturers and distributors says Briscoe County Extension Agent-Ag Brandon McGinty.

It's not often that something is offered free, but this year attendees can register to win a 50-hour lease of a Fendt tractor, courtesy of Agco. The Amarillo Chamber of Commerce is holding an Ag Appreciation University Office of Business Services and CEO of Data Staar Communications.

Attendees will be able to visit with leading manufacturers including AGCO, Buffalo, CASE, Caterpillar, Case DMI, John Deere, New Holland, Orthman, Sunflower and Wylie as well as hundreds more.

CEU hours will be available on Thursday for pesticide application license holders during the Farm and Ranch Management Symposium. Educational seminars will take place all three days of the show and are sponsored by the Potter County Extension Service, Texas Cooperative Extension Service, Texas Wheat Producers Association, Texas Grain Sorghum Association and the Corn Producers Association of Texas.

The Amarillo Farm & Ranch Show will feature over 700 exhibits with 300+ companies displaying the latest in agricultural products and services. This year's show expects to have more than 30,000 producers over the three-day period. Show hours are 9 to 5 Tuesday and Wednesday and 9 to 4 on Thursday. Admission is free.

Happy Birthday-

November 22--J. E. Patton, Kaleb Copeland

November 23--Cayson George, Debbie Davis, Cody Whitfill, Neal Edwards, C. L. McWilliams, Mackinsey Louise Strange

November 24--Andrew Scott Brooks, Laura McCammon

November 25--Brandon Kitchens, Dana Martin, Erma Polley, Carrie Ann McJimsey, Billy Cogdell, Fred Strange, Dustin Hale
 November 26--Kay May, Louie Kitchens, Cynthia Finck, Paula Garvin, Pauline Chitty, Floyd Butler Otis IV

November 27--Jill Culwell, John Daniels, Thomas Perkins, jr., Michael Long, Blaze Cogdell

November 28--McKenzie Taylor Perkins, Octavio Trevino, Rosa Linda Segura, Eric Minyard, Stan Couch, Rita Davis, Fairy McWilliams

Happy Anniversary-

November 22--Mr. and Mrs. Mike McGinn

November 23--Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Mayfield

November 26--Mr. and Mrs. David Kellum, Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Ramsey

November 27--Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brannon

November 28--Mr. and Mrs. George Long

Silverton School Activities

Nov. 22-23--Thanksgiving holiday

Monday, Nov. 26--JH Owls at Nazareth

Tuesday, Nov. 27--Varsity Owls at Claude

Thursday, Nov. 29--Varsity Owls in FM 211 Tournament

Silverton School Lunch Menu

Monday, Nov. 26--BBQ Sausage, Potato Wedges, Veg. Stix, Bread, Milk, Fruit Cobbler

Tuesday, Nov. 27--Chicken Fajita, Hot Sauce, Salad, Ranch Beans, Milk, Fruit

Wednesday, Nov. 28--Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Salad, Corn, Crackers, Milk, Fruit

Thursday, Nov. 29--Steak, Gravy, Green Beans, Mashed Potatoes, Hot Roll, Milk, Honey & Butter

Friday, Nov. 30--Chili Dog, French Fries, Milk, Fruit & Jello

A community is democratic only when the humblest and weakest person can enjoy the highest civil, economic and social rights that the biggest and most powerful possess.

--A. Philip Randolph

The first name of the Queen of Sheba was Balkis.

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MATTHEW 22:39

*Love your neighbor
as yourself.*

Rock Creek Church of Christ

LOOKING BACK

through the files of the
Briscoe County News

October 24, 1991--Ashleigh Wyatt and Christa Tucker received the coveted 4-H Gold Star awards at the Achievement Banquet Sunday evening. This is the highest award presented on the county level . . . Rex Tiffin received the "Friend of 4-H" award at the Achievement Banquet held Sunday evening . . . John White exhibits sculpture named "Best of Show" at Texas Caprock Arts Festival . . . Bill Settle and his fiancée, Sarah Needham, honored at pre-nuptial shower Sunday afternoon . . . J. D. and Lois Nance and their children, Rex and Faith Redies of Plainview, have returned from vacationing in the beautiful New England states . . . Owls win second district game from Whitharral . . . Junior Varsity shakes, rattles and rolls Whitharral . . . Lindsey Jennings is president of Clover 4-H Club. Other officers are Lindsey Weaks, first vice president; Donny Burson, third vice president; Nathan Francis, secretary-treasurer; Jordan Sarchet, reporter; Dara Ramsey, Council delegate . . . Miss Jennifer Fortenberry is new Miss Mackenzie . . . Shirley and Dorothy Pitts honored at a fiftieth anniversary reception in Clarendon . . . Marshall and Julie Rauch are parents of a son, Jared Allen . . .

October 28, 1971--Joe Grabbe and H. B. Simpson announce the purchase of the Chevrolet dealership in Silverton, which will now be known as Grabbe-Simpson Chevrolet Co. . . . Bud Perkins was taken by ambulance to the Lockney Hospital Wednesday morning of last week . . . Jim Clemmer was taken to the hospital by ambulance Wednesday afternoon after falling and hitting his head while at work . . . Ty Wayne McMurtry is Silverton's newest Eagle Scout . . . Miss Marsha Kay Teeple is bride of Perry Wayne Brunson . . . Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Hubbard are parents of a son, Teddy Tom . . . Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Peugh are parents of a daughter, Heather Leigh . . .

November 9, 1961--Mrs. Hugh Nance, Nancy and Juannah were weekend guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alton Strickland and family in Lubbock . . . Mr. and Mrs. Jack Strange and Donald Dee and Mr. and Mrs. George Long, Nancy and Nicky attended the Texas Tech vs. Rice football game in Lubbock Saturday evening . . . Mr. and Mrs. Riddell Hutsell of Miami Springs, Florida are parents of twins, a son, Elliott John, and a daughter, Grace Ellen . . . Dr. Robert N. Muckleroy, Fred Mercer and John Montague attended the Texas Tech vs. Rice football game in Lubbock Saturday evening . . . The home of Mrs. Watson Douglas was the scene of

a Spanish Fiesta on Halloween Day. In the beginning, Mrs. Douglas had hoped that those attending would leave about \$50 or so as a donation to the American Cancer Society, but when the funds were counted it amounted to \$180 and the event was pronounced a huge success . . . Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Pat L. Northcutt and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Whitfill attended the homecoming activities at Texas Tech in Lubbock over a long weekend . . .

October 18, 1951--Century of Progress Study Club held a regular meeting in the home of Mrs. Esdell Hutsell . . . Mr. and Mrs. Deene Donnell visited his mother, Mrs. Cora Donnell, Sunday . . . Mrs. Ray Tiner was honored with a miscellaneous shower Saturday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Clifford Allard . . . Marking of streets underway in Silverton; City Ordinance to be enforced; \$2.00 maybe \$25.00 fine if Ordinance is violated . . . The farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Paschal Garrison north of Silverton was entered last Saturday while they were away and several items were missing. Among those were Mrs. Garrison's silverware and two pairs of Paschal's boots. So far they have no lead on who did the job . . . In the fourth quarter Silverton scored after an 80-yard drive that netted four first downs as the Owls won the conference opener from the Quitaque Panthers. Spud Tiffin, who had replaced Joe Brooks at fullback, carried for several long gains and Zephyr Bingham scored from two yards out on a keeper play. Spud Tiffin made the extra point. Quitaque's hopes for a score were wiped out in the last few minutes when Zephyr Bingham intercepted a long pass on the 50-yard line and ran it back to the 20 where the game ended three plays later . . . Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Grimland who have been living in Amarillo, have moved back to Silverton to make their home with his mother, Mrs. W. K. Grimland . . .

February 7, 1946--W. K. Grimland announced this week as a candidate for Briscoe County Treasurer . . . Sgt. Gerald Arnold, a construction leader with the Engineers, is on his way to the states. He wrote his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Arnold, several days ago from Japan that he was ready to leave and not to write him there any more . . . Harley Redin entered school the first of the week at North Texas State College. He plans to attend for the last semester and "brush up" on some courses. He is a graduate of NTSC, having majored in business administration there before going into the service . . . Miss Josie Lee Barnett becomes bride of J. W. Smith, jr. at Lubbock Sunday . . . Grandmother Vaughan observes

her 94th birthday as friends and relatives from wide area attend dinner in her home . . . Edd Davis, who was recently discharged after a year and a half in the U. S. Navy, has resumed his former occupation as well driller. He served his time in the South Pacific as ship fitter third class . . . Mr. and Mrs. Odell Walls of Turkey visited her parents here Sunday . . . Wayne McMurtry was brought home Sunday from the Plainview hospital. His condition is satisfactory . . .

October 16, 1941--Bill Hardin brought in the first bale of new cotton Saturday night. It was ginned by the Silverton Gin Monday evening . . . O. C. Rampley has been playing football and seeing the sights in the sunny states of California and Arizona as a member of the West Texas State Buf-

falo football team . . . James Davis, a sophomore at West Texas State College, has been chosen by the Civil Aeronautics board to take the CAA flight course offered by the college this term . . . "Mammy" Haynes claimed by death . . . Alva C. Jasper spent the past week in Borger with his sisters, Mrs. Aubrey Rowell and Mrs. Lowell Callaway . . . Popeye Gilkeyson and Alfred Hunt were Tulia visitors Sunday . . . Minyard Long left Saturday for Los Angeles, California where he has employment . . . Joe Mercer and Jimmie Webb left Wednesday for Dallas where they will attend business . . . Little Dwain Henderson is on the sick list this week . . .

February 21, 1930--Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Daniel returned Mon-

day from Louis, Oklahoma where they had been visiting J. A. Dickerson and Alvin Dickerson . . . Mrs. Jno. Burson and Bland Burson were in Dimmitt Tuesday visiting Mrs. Carroll Gunter . . . Everyone, both young and old, enjoyed the cobweb party at the W. W. Merrell home Friday night, given in honor of the birthday of Misses Jane Merrell, Hattie Standifer and Bessie and Dessie McGowen. The home was beautifully decorated in the Valentine colors of red and white . . .

In my belief, you cannot deal with the most serious things in the world unless you also understand the most amusing.

--Winston Churchill

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CONSTRUCTION/ MAINTENANCE CONTRACT(S)

District: Childress
Contract 6078-79-001 for ESTABLISHING GUIDEMARKS in HARDEMAN County, etc. will be opened on December 20, 2001 at 10:00 a.m. at the District Office for an estimate of \$57,072.03.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or District Offices listed below. Bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.dot.state.tx.us and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.

NPO: 5147

State Office

Construction Division
200 E. Riverside Dr.
Austin, Texas 78704
Phone: 512-416-2540

District Office(s)

Childress District
District Engineer

WEATHER

6:00 a.m. daily readings in the month of Nov. 2001

	High	Low	Precip.
1	83	50	
2	84	47	
3	81	44	
4	81	50	
5	67	47	
6	70	50	
7	75	48	
8	78	44	
9	78	32	
10	64	30	
11	70	38	

1700 Ave F NW
Childress, Texas 79201
Phone: 940-937-7100

Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TxDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin. 46-2tc



Jeff Smith and Darrell Reynolds

TxDOT Drivers Earn Truck Rodeo Honors at Childress Recently

Jeff Smith and Darrell Reynolds of the Texas Department of Transportation's (TxDOT) Childress District Briscoe County Maintenance Section were the top finalists in their section at the district Truck Rodeo held at the Childress Airport.

TxDOT sponsors the Truck Rodeo as part of the fleet safety training. Drivers are scored on two different levels. First, they drive through an obstacle course designed to simulate truck maneuvers encountered during a normal workday. Then, they identify safety defects on equipment within specific time limits.

In the District Rodeo "Drive-Off," the two top scoring drivers from each section compete for the right to represent TxDOT at the annual Truck Rodeo in Waco.

Smith had the highest score. He competed in the state Rodeo finals in October.

Smith and Reynolds received special awards at the Childress District Safety Awards Banquet.

12	74	38	
13	67	49	.02
14	67	50	.13
15	59	52	.35
16	55	52	.80
17	62	49	.13
18	64	51	.06
19	70	37	

Total Precip.	1.49
Normal Precip. in Nov.	.71
Normal Precip. Year to Date	20.54
Precip. Rec'd. in 2001	21.54



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Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. (Bob) Reeves-2001



Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. (Bob) Reeves-1951

Couple Celebrated 50th Anniversary November 23

Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. (Bob) Reeves celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Friday, November 23, 2001 at a family dinner in Lubbock hosted by their children.

Reeves and the former Peggy Janelle Hays of Plainview married in Plainview November 17, 1951. After their marriage, they lived in Corpus Christi, Kingsville and

Lubbock before returning to farm in Floyd and Briscoe counties in 1961.

Reeves served in the Korean War from 1951 to 1954.

They are members of the First Baptist Church in Silverton.

They have four children: Kerry and Karen Reeves of Idabel, Oklahoma; Jean Reeves of Brownfield;

Janette Reeves of Lubbock. Their son, Mark Reeves, has been deceased since 1989.

They have four grandchildren: Kellas Reeves of Tulsa, Oklahoma, Kristy and Lamar Schmidt of Seaside, California, Kacie Reeves of Idabel, Oklahoma and Cally Reeves of Lubbock.

School Has First Veterans Day Ceremony Here

Silverton ISD had its first Veterans Day Ceremony on Friday, November 17, as part of Veterans Awareness Week.

The ceremony began with the Posting of Colors led by Andrew Francis, Chase Comer and Caleb Francis. They are members of the Boy Scouts of America Troop #262.

Andrew Francis led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mrs. Weaver played the National Anthem. Amy Johnson welcomed everyone and

thanked the veterans for attending.

Amanda Estes gave the history of Veterans Day. Special music was performed by the Second Grade singing "Proud to be an American."

Danny Dunn introduced the veterans by branch.

The audience sang "America the Beautiful," "God Bless America" and "My Country 'Tis of Thee."

Andrew Francis explained the meaning of Taps, and Taps was played.

Mr. Kirchoffner spoke words of appreciation to the veterans.

The Boy Scouts retired the colors.

Angel Tree Will Be At Courthouse

The Angel Tree will be up in the basement of the Briscoe County Courthouse on Wednesday, November 21.

The names of the needy children of the community will be on the tree, along with information needed to make selections for them.

If you are interested in helping with this community activity, you are asked to select an angel off the tree, fulfill the needed items for Christmas, put them in a gift-wrapped package, and return them to the Christmas tree.

This will be done the same as in years past. It is a completely anonymous project.

For Safe Food Handling and Preparation

Remember the four basic rules of food safety to kill bacteria and prevent illness:

Wash hands and surfaces often

- Wash hands with hot, soapy water before preparing food and after using the bathroom, changing diapers, sneezing or touching pets
- Wash cutting boards, dishes, utensils and counter tops with hot, soapy water after preparing each food item

• Use paper towels to clean up kitchen, surfaces or wash kitchen towels in the hot cycle of the washing machine before using again

America's veterans did not shrink from the service of their country. They do, indeed, deserve the love and thanks of their fellow countrymen.

Teams Off to Good Start in Young Basketball Season

The Lady Owls varsity team opened their season with a 67-49 victory over the Lazbuddie girls here Tuesday, November 13.

Chelsey Cherry led the offense by scoring 24 points. Bryn Mayfield also scored in double figures, getting 14.

Adding to the score were Lori Griffin, Tarran Forbes and Kassie Strange, nine points each; Jenny Young, two points.

Lady Owls	16	35	48	67
Lazbuddie	7	20	38	49

The Lady Owls added another victory to their string when they hosted Amarillo High Plains on Friday night of last week.

Bryn Mayfield was the scoring leader with 11 points. Also scoring in double figures were Lori Griffin and Kassie Strange, 10 points each.

The score was rounded out by Kurby Garvin, nine; Chelsey Cherry, five, and Jenny Young, three points.

Lady Owls	5	19	38	48
Amarillo	3	7	23	33

The Owls opened their season with a 54-44 victory over Amarillo High Plains Friday night.

Andrew Francis led the scoring with 15 points. Also scoring in double figures were Red Ivory, 13; Matt Strange, 11; Nathan Baker, 10. Dustin Hale caged five points.

The teams were tied at the midway stop, but the Owls had a good third quarter and managed to come

Separate foods to keep bacteria from spreading

- Keep raw meat, poultry, seafood and their juices away from other foods in your shopping cart and refrigerator
- Put cooked meat, fish and poultry on a clean plate--never back on an unwashed cutting board
- If possible, use a different cutting board for preparing raw meat. If not, wash it in hot, soapy water before preparing another food item

Owls	10	23	40	54
Amarillo	12	23	32	44

Karnal Bunt Losses Exceed \$27 Million

Brandon McGinty
County Extension Agent-Ag

The Rolling Plains is paying the high cost of Karnal bunt. The fungal disease already has stripped the regional economy of more than \$27 million.

Karnal bunt infects wheat. Flowering plants are susceptible to the disease spores when temperatures are cool and rainfall and humidity are high. The spores spread from field to field on plants, seeds, soil, farm equipment, tools, vehicles, and even on the wind. Once in the soil, spores can survive for five years--if not longer.

Infected grain is not toxic to humans or livestock, but flour and feed containing high levels of infected grain often has an off color and unpleasant "fishy" odor which reduces quality and yield.

roughly 400,000 infected acres in North Texas are under USDA quarantine. This quarantine will likely be altered after the 2002 harvest.

Mulch can reduce water consumption by plants and the environment as a whole. Mulch is defined as any substance that puts a barrier between the soil and the air above it.

Mulch is applied to the landscape it greatly reduces evaporation. When mulch is used, water is reserved for plants. This increases efficiency so less water needs to be applied.

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NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION ESPECIAL)

To the registered voters of the County of Briscoe, Texas: (*a los votantes registrados del Condado de Briscoe, Texas:*)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on December 4, 2001, for voting in a runoff election to elect a State Senator for District 30 to serve out the unexpired term of the Honorable Tom Haywood.

(*Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitador abajo se abiran desde las 7:00 a.m. asta las 7:00 p.m. el 4 de 12 para votar en la Election Especial para dlectsor al senador del Estado Para el Distrito 30 Para Servir el unexpired termino del Honorable Tom Haywood.*)

LOCATION OF POLLING PLACES (DIRECCIONES DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES)

Voting Precincts 1, 3, 4 & 5 - Pioneer Room, City Bank, Silverton
 Voting Precincts 2 & 6 - Community Center, Quitaque
 Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at: (*La votacion*

Basketball Schedules

HIGH SCHOOL VARSITY Game Times:

Girls-6:30, Boys-8:00

Nov. 27	--	Claude, There
Nov. 29-Dec. 1	--	FM 211 Tourn.
Dec. 4	--	Lorenzo, There
Dec. 6-8	--	New Deal Tourn.
Dec. 11	--	Lazbuddie, Home
Dec. 14	--	Motley County, There
Dec. 18	--	Groom, Home
Dec. 21	--	Floydada, Home
Dec. 27-29	--	Hoot-Out Tourn.
Jan. 1	--	Open
Jan. 4	--	Paducah, There
Jan. 8	--	Ropes, There
Jan. 11	--	Samnorwood, There
Jan. 15	--	Crosbyton, There
Jan. 18	--	*Valley, Home
Jan. 22	--	*Nazareth, There
Jan. 25	--	*Happy, There
Jan. 29	--	*Valley, There
Feb. 1	--	*Nazareth, Home
Feb. 5	--	*Happy, Home

adelantada en persona se llevara a cabo de lunes a viernes en:
 Briscoe County Clerk's Office, Courthouse, Silverton, Texas (location) (*sitio*)
 Issued this the 14th day of November, 2001. (*Emitade este dia 14 de noviembre, 2001.*
 /s/ Ted Kingery
 Briscoe County Judge
 (*Firma del Juez del Conando*)
 47-1tc

HIGH SCHOOL JUNIOR VARSITY

Game Times: Girls-4:00, Boys-5:00

Nov. 27	--	Claude, There
Nov. 29-Dec. 1	--	Tulia Tourn.
Dec. 4	--	Lorenzo, There
Dec. 6-8	--	Clarendon Tourn.
Dec. 11	--	Lazbuddie, Home
Dec. 14	--	Motley County, There
Jan. 1	--	Open
Jan. 4	--	Paducah, There
Jan. 8	--	Ropes, There
Jan. 15	--	Crosbyton, There
Jan. 18	--	*Valley, Home
Jan. 22	--	*Nazareth, There
Jan. 25	--	*Happy, There
Jan. 29	--	*Valley, There
Feb. 1	--	*Nazareth, Home
Feb. 5	--	*Happy, Home

***District**

JUNIOR HIGH

Nov. 26	--	Nazareth, Home
Dec. 3	--	Happy, There
Dec. 10	--	Open
Dec. 13	--	Open
Dec. 15	--	Clarendon Tourn.
Dec. 17	--	Open
Jan. 7	--	Happy, There
Jan. 12	--	Open
Jan. 14	--	Nazareth, There
Jan. 21	--	Valley, There
Jan. 28	--	Nazareth, home
Feb. 4	--	Happy, home

Cotton Market weekly

A Service Provided by Plains Cotton Cooperative Association

"The cotton market suddenly turned from a dying bear into a raging bull," one analyst commented after Tuesday's market rally on the New York Cotton Exchange. The euphoria was short-lived, however, as futures tumbled lower the remainder of the week.

New York cotton futures closed sharply higher on a volatile turn-over Tuesday as the cotton market posted the largest daily gains in the life of all currently traded contracts. In fact, the near-limit advance in the front months was the greatest since prices moved the permissible 300 points higher on July 17, 2000 due to weather related concerns. Rising world cotton prices, coupled with technical considerations apparently triggered the buying spree, according to one analyst.

Sales on the spot cotton market also rocketed higher on November 13, as Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas cotton sold online soared to a marketing year high of 39,190 bales, boosting total sales for the week ending November 15 to 88,264, higher than the previous week's sales of 70,867 bales. Prices received by growers selling their cotton online ranged from 25.48 to 28.67 cents per pound compared to a range of 22.26 to 25.64 cents per pound the prior week.

Tuesday's rally may have been too high and too fast, some analysts said early in the week, citing a record-setting domestic crop. Beyond the oversupply issues, the market faced a smattering of bearish news items on Thursday, ranging from sinking oil prices to news that another large U. S. textile manufacturer has filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection.

There is concern also from textile manufacturers and cotton industry officials that the Bush administration will reward Pakistan with trade concessions, including reduced tariffs and quotas for Pakistani-made clothing and linens, for that country's cooperation in the war against terrorism. The concern is warranted since Pakistan shipped \$1.9 billion in textiles and apparel to the U. S. last year.

In other news, the trading week was shortened after the session for cotton futures, along with those for coffee and orange juice, was cancelled Monday due to phone line damage resulting from the crash of an American Airline jet in Queens, NY. The New York Board of Trade (NYBOT) was forced into its Long

Island City backup facility after the September 11 attack on the World Trade Center destroyed its Manhattan, NY trading floor.

The September 17 market reopening in the backup facility allowed NYBOT to organize 90-minute trading sessions while various commodities shared cramped facilities. The exchange has since constructed two additional trading pits to allow a slight expansion in trading hours. Tuesday, cotton trading was extended 30 minutes each day to a two-hour session.

In other news, net export sales of 2001-02 crop U. S. cotton reached a marketing year high at 455,200 bales. The figure was more than double the previous week's sales and two times the four-week average. Major buyers included Pakistan, Mexico and Turkey.

Meanwhile, the U. S. cotton harvest now is nearing a close as U. S. producers have 80 percent of their cotton out of the field, according to USDA data released on Tuesday. The figure is up from 71 percent one week ago and ahead of the 75 percent average. USDA reported Texas growers had harvested 70 percent, up from 60 percent last year and 61 percent on average. Oklahoma producers report they are 60 percent complete, equaling the average but lagging behind last year's 68 percent.

Dry weather for a few more weeks would be ideal for most farmers to get the remaining crop out of the fields in Texas and southwestern Oklahoma. However, the cotton harvest may be halted for a while due to weather concerns.

Rains, including some locally heavy amounts, are expected throughout the weekend and might temporarily lower color grades slightly on cotton left on the stalk. Fortunately, the effects might not be appreciable if good drying conditions return rather quickly along with bright sunshine to bleach the colors.

The first baseball game between an American team and a Japanese team took place in Japan in 1896. The Americans lost 29-4.

We don't understand life any better at 40 than at 20, but we know it and admit it.

--Jules Renard

According to Scottish tradition, hanging a piece of an elder bush over doors and windows will keep the evil spirits out.

"Every bell ain't the dinner bell."

The Frerich's have been ranching for four generations. Mark Frerich's grandfather not only started the spread his grandson works now; he helped start the cooperative that supplies the ranch's power. That was sixty years ago, but the co-op connection is still strong in the Frerich family; Mark himself was a lineman for a couple of years: installing hook-ups, fixing downed lines, keeping folks connected.

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