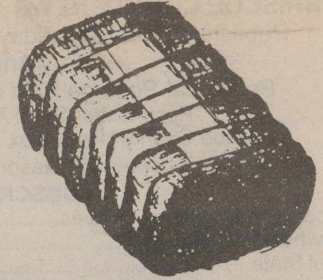
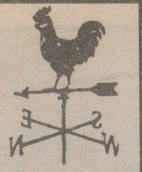


**All Around
 The Town**

By Mary Ann Sarchet



Briscoe County News

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It has been said about a million times that if you don't like the weather just wait a little while and it will change. Some of the changes are for the better and some aren't, but I think the precipitation received in the snowfall was welcomed by all--not necessarily the slickness underfoot, but the mois-

in a so-called "normal" year, the precipitation we receive is expected to be approximately:

January	.65
February	.60
March	.93
April	1.49
May	3.11
June	3.78
July	2.39
August	2.64
September	2.49
October	1.75
November	.71
December	.68
Total	21.22

This past year of 2001, we actually received more than our normal annual precipitation, but it fell at the wrong times to be of most benefit.

January	1.94
February	.87
March	3.23
April	1.12
May	5.26
June	.93
July	.32
August	4.42
September	1.94
October	.02
November	2.02
December	.21
Total	22.28

Sometimes the rainfall was just great--sometimes it seemed like we were in a drought/flood cycle, because it got way too dry and opened great cracks in the ground before we got the rainfall we needed. And sometimes what we got wasn't enough to close those cracks.

Check these annual rainfall figures for Briscoe County:

1942	28.90
1943	12.23
1944	21.35
1945	13.95
1946	27.29
1948	19.68
1949	33.69
1950	26.15
1951	19.34
1952	10.47
1953	15.97
1954	12.80
1955	21.14
1956	16.22
1957	28.15
1958	20.06
1959	23.44
1960	26.83
1961	20.37
1962	21.55
1963	19.00
1965	16.18

4-H Parents, Adult Leaders Asked to Meet

There will be a meeting of the Briscoe County 4-H Parents and Adult Leaders on Wednesday, January 9 2002, beginning at 5:00 p.m. at the Courthouse.

All adults who are interested in the success of the Briscoe County 4-H program should attend this meeting.

Agenda items include election of officers, leader responsibilities, a stock show fundraiser, and the 4-H checkbook audit.

The wise man belongs to all countries, for the home of a great soul is the whole world.

--Democritus

1966	21.30
1967	14.13
1968	23.30
1969	24.26
1970	10.61
1971	22.39
1972	18.39
1973	27.06
1974	26.01
1975	19.55
1976	19.29
1977	21.53
1978	25.77
1979	31.06
1980	19.71
1981	16.80
1982	23.05
1983	19.66
1984	18.43
1985	28.94

I've said it many times--we are never satisfied with what we have. If we had a button to push when we wanted rain, my theory is that the button would never be pushed. There would be a line of people wanting to push the button and those who thought it wasn't time yet. They would be fighting over when was the proper time.

There would be the ranchers--who would want to push the button pretty often. And those who weren't ready because it was time to plant or harvest or bale. And those who were re-roofing and didn't want to get the inside of their home wet.

We couldn't handle such a good thing, and the ambulance business would probably be pretty active carrying the weaker ones off to the hospitals.

Briscoe County Junior Livestock Show Slated Here Next Week

Provided by Brandon McGinty
 Texas Cooperative Extension Agent-Agriculture

The Briscoe County Junior Livestock Show is closing in fast and preparations are underway. With the addition of meat goats this year and the number of sheep and goats validated, time has been a major concern for Saturday of the show.

This year the goats, sheep and cattle will show on Thursday, beginning at 5:00 p.m.

The official schedule is as follows:

THURSDAY, JANUARY 17
10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Weigh sheep and goats
3:00 - 4:00 p.m. Weigh steers
5:00 p.m. Goat show begins
Followed immediately by lambs
Followed immediately by heifers
Followed immediately by steers
FRIDAY, JANUARY 18
12:00 - 5:00 p.m. Weigh barrows and gilts

Names Omitted From Greeting Page

The names of Ed and Ann Norris, John and Gail Wyatt, Betty and Osco were unintentionally omitted from the Christmas Greeting Page.

EMT Class To Begin Soon

A new class for Emergency Medical Technicians will begin at 7:00 p.m. January 29 at the Quitaque Community Center

If you would be willing to take this class, pass state certification and donate a few hours a month to your local community, you are very much needed by the ambulance service.

The Silverton EMS is running so short on personnel that the ambulance service is in danger of ceasing to exist. If you are interested in seeing this valuable community organization continue to serve, then you must consider becoming a part of it.

If you are interested in becoming a community volunteer, please contact Anthony Kingery, 823-2434 or 823-2337, or Maria Cruz at the Quitaque City Hall, 455-1456.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18

8:30 a.m. Gilt show
Followed immediately by barrows
5:30 p.m. Barbecue supper
7:00 p.m. Premium Auction

If you need help shearing or clipping sheep, goats or hogs, please contact me to schedule a time. We will not have time the day of the show to do all the animals. There are clippers at the Extension office that are available for check-out on a first-come, first-served basis.

This year Fort Worth has moved the sheep show along with the meat goat show to the weekend before, January 24-27. The hogs and steers arrive on Tuesday, January 29 and show is on Thursday and Friday, January 31 and February 1.

State Park Closed For Public Hunt

Caprock Canyons State Park will be closed through Friday, January 11, for a public hunt that is open only to those who submitted applications and were selected and notified that their applications were drawn or to those hunters who were standing by in hope that the drawn hunters would not show up.

A program, "Eagles of the Trailway," will be held from 1:00 until 5:00 p.m. January 26. Bald eagles have been spotted for the past two years about the end of January on the Trailway. This year Queen of the Valley Tours will lead a tour down the Trailway to try to spot eagles.

Bring your blanket, lawn chair, hot chocolate and patience and plan to enjoy the day out.

Reservations and a minimum of five participants are required. Call 806-455-1492 for reservations. The cost will be \$20 per person.

After baseball, America's favorite pastime may be the process of reinventing itself, continuously re-defining its identity and searching for its soul. --Brenda Payton

Connie Smith Asking Election As Peace Justice

Connie Smith has authorized the Briscoe County News to announce that she is a candidate for Justice of the Peace, Briscoe County Precinct 1, subject to action of the Democratic Party Primary in March.

Mrs. Smith has been a resident of Briscoe County for almost 30 years, has been an active member of the Silverton Volunteer Ambulance Service for the past 12 years, serving as EMT-B for three years, Paramedic for nine years, as well as EMS president for the past three years. She also has been elected voting delegate for the Panhandle Medical Services System, representing the City of Silverton.

In announcing her candidacy, Mrs. Smith states, "I feel I am qualified for the position of Justice of the Peace. I am looking forward to serving the community if elected, and will do the job to the best of my ability."

She adds that "health care in this community is still one of my primary concerns and would like to assure the voters that if elected, I will continue to support and volunteer as a Paramedic with the Silverton Volunteer Ambulance Service.

"Your vote and support would be greatly appreciated," she concluded.

Political Advertising Paid For By Connie Smith

SBA Economic Injury Disaster Available

Businesses in some Texas counties can now apply for low interest Economic Injury Disaster Loans from the U. S. Small Business Administration (SBA). These loans are available to help businesses meet normal operating expenses that cannot be met due to the effects of a disaster. Extreme amount of rain, flash flooding, flooding, high winds, hail, lightning and a tornado that occurred on June 1, 3 and 5, 2001, caused many farmers and ranchers to experience reduced incomes which may have had an adverse economic effect on businesses depending upon these producers. Businesses in Briscoe County may receive information by calling SBA at 1-800-366-6303.

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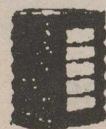


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Re-election

For County Sheriff, Briscoe County, Texas:

JEFF FUSTON
Re-election

TERRY MILLER
LANCE STIDHAM

For County Treasurer, Briscoe County, Texas:

MARY JO BRANNON
Re-election

For Justice of the Peace, Briscoe County Precinct 1:

EDWIN NORRIS
Re-election
CONNIE SMITH

For Commissioner, Briscoe County Precinct 4:

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Re-election
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Sincerely,
Silverton Volunteer Fire Department

We would like to express our sincere appreciation for all that was done for us during the loss of our Father. The phone calls, food, flowers, prayers and your presence were a great comfort to us. The people of Silverton are special and we will remember you always. Thank you.

Gwynn Carmen and family
Sandra Steele and family
Sue Breedlove and family
W. G. (Butch) Brannon

Thanks to the ladies for bringing the Girl Scouts to sing to me, the picture they colored, candy and fruit. I enjoyed them very much. Thanks to the First Baptist Church for the fruit. Thanks to the ones who gave ham, blueberry muffins,

money and Christmas cards.

May God bless you all.

Much love,
Elzora Gallington

We would like to thank you for the cards, phone calls and all those who came to his home to wish a happy birthday to Aubrey Rowell. There were 63 who came by for a visit, and he enjoyed and appreciated seeing every one of them.

The children and grandchildren of Aubrey Rowell

This is the foundation of success nine times out of ten--having confidence in yourself and applying yourself with all your might to your work.

--Thomas A. Wilson

Old age is like climbing a mountain. You climb from ledge to ledge. The higher you get, the more tired and breathless you become, but your views become more extensive.

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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.

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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.

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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.

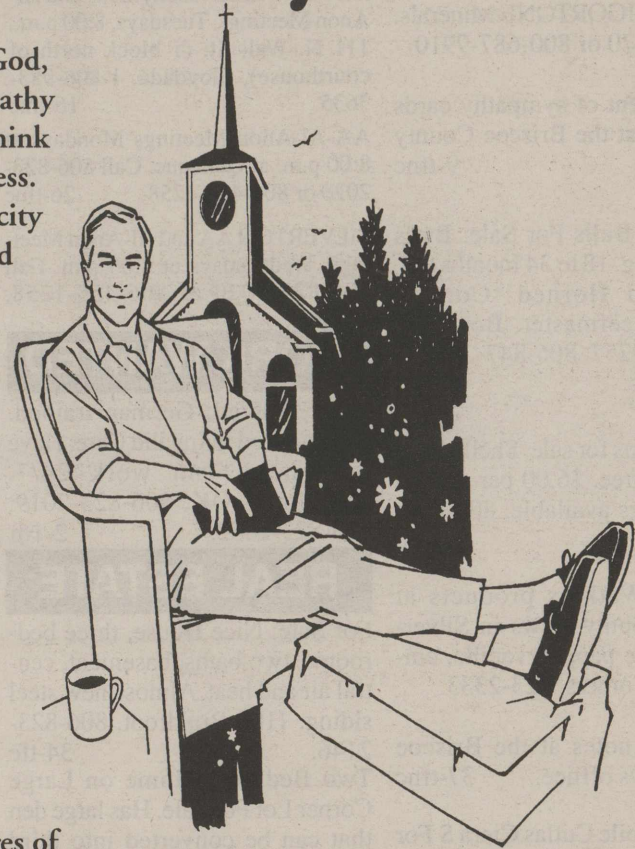
Get Off That Lazy Chair

Of all the gifts bestowed on us by God, including wisdom, benevolence, and sympathy for our fellow man, the one I sometimes think we could use a bit more of is industriousness. If only we all had the persistence and tenacity of beavers, or even ants and bees, we would probably get a lot more work done.

We all know that sloth is one of the seven deadly sins, and yet it seems at times that we are drawn to that reclining chair and the television as if they were gold. Now, I'm not denying that some rest and relaxation is both appropriate and ordained by God, who Himself rested on the seventh day; but, sometimes my inclination is to rest and relax on all seven days.

We humans are a bundle of contradictory desires, and what God wants us to do is to follow the better desires of our nature. Those of us who have a vocation should consider it a blessing from God, and hope that He will be pleased with our accomplishments.

When our daily work is done, then we can relax in our lazy chair knowing that our achievements and good intentions were blessed by our heavenly Father. Serve the Lord with a heart full of devotion.



*Work hard and do
not be lazy.*

*Serve the Lord with a heart full of
devotion.*

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Obituaries

GENELLA HOLCOMB
 Memorial services for Genella Holcomb, 83, were conducted at 11:00 a.m. Friday at Central Church of Christ in Tulia with Trey Morgan, minister, officiating. Burial was in the Plainview Cemetery by Wallace Funeral Home.

Mrs. Holcomb died Friday, December 28, in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

She was born Genella Fort July 16, 1918, in Silverton, and was the daughter of the late Allie Kimbell and James Roscoe Fort. She was reared in Silverton and attended Silverton Schools. She lived most of her life in Tulia and Seminole. She was a homemaker and an artist and had been a long-time member of Central Church of Christ in Tulia.

In 1939, she married Calvin D. Holcomb. He is deceased.

Survivors include a son and daughter-in-law, Bill and Judy Holcomb of Magdalena, New Mexico; two sisters, Jo Vinyard of Fredericksburg and Hazel Strickland of Abilene; nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

The family suggested memorials to Children of Peace Interna-

RAY ADAMS
 Services for Ray Adams, 71, were conducted at 2:00 p.m. Saturday at First United Methodist Church in Tulia with the Revs. Jesse Hodge and Rob Lindley officiating.

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

He died Thursday, January 3. He was born February 24, 1930 in Swisher County and married Ann Williamson December 20, 1953 in Center Plains. He was a long-time resident of Tulia and Swisher County and had operated a ranch which included the old Mackenzie battleground between Silverton and Tulia along Highway 86.

He was a 32nd Degree Mason and a member of First United Methodist Church in Tulia.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Donald R. and Joe, both of Tulia; a brother, Edwin of Plainview, and five grandchildren.

tional, P. O. Box 2911, Loveland, Colorado 80539-3716, a humanitarian organization which supports orphanages overseas from which three of her grandchildren were adopted.

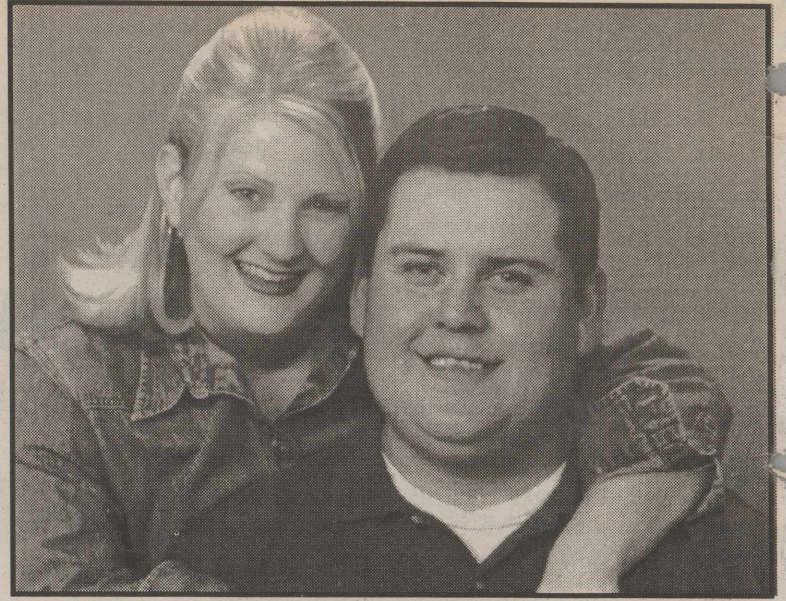
Hoe Lawn Weeds

Provided by Brandon McGinty
 Texas Cooperative Extension
 Agent-Ag

If you hoe or pull weeds from your lawn in the summer, it is a lot easier to do it now. The big difference is in January and February you can do it with a telephone. Ask around for a local pest professional that does a good job putting out pre-emergence herbicides to keep weed seeds from germinating in the spring. I tried to do this myself in years past and I never got it right. One year I applied the pre-emerge and sprayed the winter weeds with Roundup, but I was late and the bermuda grass was already growing in some areas. I had yellow spots all year long. Call now and have it done right. You will be glad you did.

We cannot live only for ourselves. A thousand fibers connect us with our fellow men; and among those fibers, as sympathetic threads, our actions run as causes, and they come back to us as effects.

--Herman Melville



Cory Payne and Billy Edwards

Couple to Marry in March Ceremony

Tom and Judy Payne of Vernon announce the engagement of their daughter, Cory Jan, to Billy Wayne Edwards, son of Terry and Barbara Deckard of Silverton. Miss Payne is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Payne, the late Jack Newth, and Marilyn Wilson, all of Vernon.

The bride-elect is a 1995 graduate of Vernon High School. She received a bachelor's degree in animal science in May 1999 and a master's degree in family and consumer science education in December 2000 from Texas Tech University. She is currently employed by Texas Cooperative Extension in Briscoe County as a County Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences.

Edwards is the grandson of Frances Edwards of Silverton. He was graduated from Silverton High School in 1997. He is employed by the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation in Lockney.

They will be married March 9 at 9:00 p.m. in the Monte Carlo Wedding Chapel in Las Vegas, Nevada. They plan to reside in Silverton.

Silverton School Activities

- Thursday, Jan. 10--Board Meeting, 7:00
- Friday, Jan. 11--Owls at Samnorwood, 6:30
- Saturday, Jan. 12--Chamber of Commerce Banquet, School Cafeteria
- Monday, Jan. 14--Junior High at Nazareth, 5:00
- Tuesday, Jan. 15--Owls at Crosbyton, 4:00
- Thursday, Jan. 17--Briscoe County Stock Show begins
- Friday, Jan. 18--Valley, here, 4:00

Happy Birthday-

- January 11--Townlii Ziegler, Rex Holt, Cy Comer, Melissa Woods, Debra Grabbe
- January 12--Cecilia Castillo, Jimmy Myers, Tomas Rampley
- January 13--Mary Tom Burson, Cindy Reed, Dee Turner, Krista Hale, Leslie Burkart Miller, Isaac Reyna
- January 14--Shanea' Lynn Russell, Kathy Kingery, Rena Schott, Ann Payne, Ralph Hill
- January 15--Crystal Miller, Juan Ramirez, Janet Henderson, Ashley Smith, Travis Self, Isaac Reyna
- January 16--Sheryl Breedlove, Santos Garcia, jr., Ernest Garcia, Rusty Miller, Louise Vaughan

Happy Anniversary-

- January 14--Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Reed

The family suggested memorials be to the Tulia Cemetery Association, BSA Hospice or a favorite charity.

Allen Minyard is Chosen For Gifted and Talented Program

The grandparents of Allan Minyard, Virgal and Latresa Minyard, are proud to announce that their grandson, son of Kendal and Jennifer Minyard, has been selected to enter the Gifted and Talented program of the East Baton Rouge Parish School System at Brownfields Elementary in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Allan attends kindergarten there. He has scored as an over-achiever in all basic studies and will be placed in this class for the rest of his school year for advanced studies.

Allan is six years old and enjoys school very much. His favorite subject is Spanish.

His parents, Kendal and Jennifer Minyard, reside in Baton Rouge. His father is employed by the WD Warehouse in Hammond, Louisiana. His mother is an executive secretary at Louisiana School for the Deaf and is a part-time student at Louisiana State University for Interior and Architectural Design.

Peaches, Latresa and Stacy Minyard recently enjoyed their annual Christmas trip to Baton Rouge, and enjoyed a sight-seeing trip to New Orleans and a wonderful Christmas celebration in the home of their son and daughter-in-law.



Allan Minyard

Silverton School Lunch Menu

- Monday, Jan. 14--Pizza, Salad, Fried Okra, Milk, Brownie
- Tuesday, Jan. 15--Chili, Onion Rings, Crackers, Milk, Sweet Roll
- Wednesday, Jan. 16--Chili Cheese Fries, Salad, Corn, Cornbread, Milk, Fruit & Pudding
- Thursday, Jan. 17--Steak, Gravy, Green Beans, Mashed Potatoes, Hot Rolls, Milk, Honey & Butter
- Friday, Jan. 18--Hamburger, Cheese, Sald, French Fries, Milk, Cookies

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LOOKING BACK

through the files of the
Briscoe County News

November 28, 1991--Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kitchens of Pampa announce the marriage of their daughter, Jana Michelle, to Mr. Richard Leon Beesinger, jr. of Summerfield, Texas . . . Megan Whittington, granddaughter of Donnie and Sandy Perkins, appeared in a play at Clarendon College Saturday, Sunday and Monday. She was a dancing sprite in the Japanese folk tale, "The Shining Princess of the Slender Bamboo" . . . John, Darrah, Marshall and Laura McCammon of Boerne spent the weekend with Virgil and Eudean Crow, and on Saturday they celebrated Laura's tenth birthday . . .

November 26, 1981--Cynthia Edwards won third place in extemporaneous public speaking at the FFA District Meeting . . . Mrs. Joe Montague returned home Saturday after undergoing surgery at Central Plains Hospital in Plainview. . . Billy Cogdell underwent three bypasses during open heart surgery Friday at Methodist Hospital in Lubbock . . . Seventh Grade girls win big at Happy . . . Mr. and Mrs. Greg Hill moved from Amarillo to Conroe, where he will be employed as a diesel mechanic, over the weekend . . . Southwestern Extension Homemakers met Thursday in the home of Eunice McFall . . .

November 26, 1971--Formal opening of Grabbe-Simpson Chevrolet planned here Saturday . . . Last Thursday evening, 38 citizens of the Silverton community passed their final tests and are qualified to receive their Basic First-Aid Course certificates. Ross Beavers, instructor from Plainview, modified the first-aid course to include training for ambulance attendants . . . Miss Katy Mae Minyard and William Louis Sinor pledged their wedding vows in a formal ceremony at the First Baptist Church in Silverton Friday . . . Brett Gill, David Lewis, Ken and Charles Sarchet attended the WTSU vs. Drake football game in Canyon Saturday night . . . Aoudad hunters bag more than 40 animals . . .

November 12, 1961--Owls lose final game at Nazareth . . . Mitcheal Martin and Kerry Baird are 4-H Gold Star Award winners . . . Jeni Denton entered the girls Regional Cross Country Meet in Lubbock Saturday as an individual and won sixth place in the Class 3A, 2A and 1A division. Her time was 12:56 . . . Coach and Mrs. Randy Clay of Hale Center are parents of a son, Joshua Don . . .

November 22, 1951--Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Autry honored on fiftieth anniversary . . . First annual Colt Show will be held here December 8 . . . Mrs. Ed Edwards returned from Denver, Colorado last

Thursday where she had gone to be with her aunt, Mrs. Lila Liles, who is in Mercy Hospital there . . . Mr. and Mrs. Bill Holt were in Lockney Saturday on business . . . Rev. and Mrs. R. C. Guest visited with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Hutsell, Thursday and Friday of last week . . . Mr. and Mrs. Robert McJimsey and Sue were weekend visitors in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. U. D. Brown . . . Mr. and Mrs. Claudia Welch are parents of a son, David Frank . . .

November 28, 1946--Snow and cold weather visit here during week . . . High school students on the honor roll are DeJuan Strickland, Mona Brock, Joan Clemmer, Marian Arnold, Wanda Garvin, Donald Paige, ninth grade; Joye Belle Davenport, LaRue Gilkeyson, Jett Mason, tenth grade; Modine Yates, Jack Paige, twelfth grade . . . Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Potter celebrated their 64th wedding anniversary Sunday, November 24, with a Thanksgiving turkey dinner for their children . . . A number of persons entertained with a surprise covered dish luncheon honoring Mrs. J. A. Ziegler's birthday Sunday. The group gathered at her home south of Silverton . . . Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Nance and son, Loyd Wayne, visited with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Nance, in the Lone Star community Sunday . . . Jack Strange and Fred Brannon were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mack Walker Monday evening . . . Johnnie Lanham was a business visitor in Abilene Tuesday . . .

November 20, 1941--Quitaque hands game to Silverton, 18-0. The Owls' next game is with Turkey at Turkey on Thanksgiving Day (today) . . . Glenn McWilliams and Eva Lee Curtis were united in marriage in Canyon by the Justice of the Peace. The only attendants were Mr. Shorty Bingham, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Oates, jr., and Mrs. Curtis Bingham . . . Orlee Mills spent a ten-day furlough here with his mother and family, and returned to Camp Salinas, California Thursday . . . Mrs. J. Lee Francis and Mrs. Carl Wimberly gave a quilting at the school house Thursday. Four quilts were finished . . . The Hugh Stodghill family plan to attend a family reunion at Lubbock Thursday . . . Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Garrison visited the Arthur Arnolds Sunday night . . . Mrs. Albert Mallow is now employed at B & B Grocery during the illness of Mr. Jim Bomar . . . Mr. and Mrs. Obra Watson, Mr. and Mrs. Sid Richards and Mr. J. S. Watson spent Sunday in Amarillo with Mr. and Mrs. O'Neal Watson . . . Mr. and Mrs. Gid Mayfield visited Mrs. Alvie Mayfield in the hospital at Plainview Monday . . . Mr. and Mrs. Alvie Mayfield are parents of a son,

Dickie Lee . . .

March 13, 1930--Mesdames Johnson, Garrison, Stodghill, Dillard, Shaw and Olive of the North Route visited the schools at Silverton Wednesday . . . Miss Gladys Faye Johnson spent Sunday with Cleo Garrison . . . Lions Club entertainment was brought by Misses Christine and Jonnie Bundy, Geraldine Biffle and Wanda King, with Mrs. O. T. Bundy at the piano. Miss Jonnie also gave an artistic dance and the club dining room was wafted into a cabaret atmosphere. Ned Baird opened the program with a piano solo, and Tom Nichols cleared the deck with a humorous talk in preparation for the real entertainment from the girls . . . Floral Club petitions City Council for low water rate on yards . . . A merry birthday dinner and celebration was

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Stella Bonnie Ainsworth, Deceased, were issued on January 8, 2002, in Cause No. 1448, pending in the County Court of Briscoe County, Texas, to:

Joy Stodghill

The residence of the Independent Executrix is Silverton,

held in the A. P. Donnell home Sunday in honor of Mrs. A. P. Donnell and Bob Turner . . . The Wednesday Bridge Club was received Wednesday afternoon by Mrs. Leo L. McAnaw, who is always an original and charming hostess . . . Mrs. Dean Allard was the charming hostess last Thursday afternoon in her home to the members of the London Bridge Club and guests . . .

Briscoe County, Texas; the post office address is:

c/o William P. Smith
Attorney at Law
P. O. Box 119
Silverton, Texas 79257

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

DATED the 8th day of January, 2002.

William P. Smith
Attorney at Law
P. O. Box 119
Silverton, Texas 79257
By: /s/ William P. Smith
Attorney for the Estate
State Bar No.: 00792843

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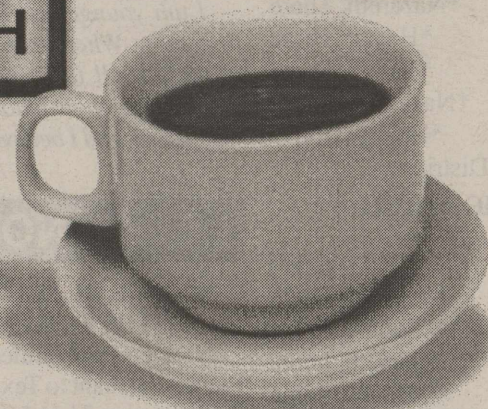
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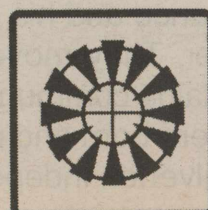
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Cotton Market weekly

A Service Provided by Plains Cotton Cooperative Association

A slow return from the holidays seemed to limit trading this week as the market was held to a stalemate in light activity. However, a startlingly low export sales and shipment report managed to capture market attention.

Traders were surprised by unexpectedly sharp reductions in weekly U. S. export sales and shipment figures. USDA reported net sales of 2001-2002 U. S. cotton during the week ended December 27 plunged to 43,400 running bales, a marketing year low, from 230,900 bales the previous week. Gross export sales were 112,600 but cancellations jumped to 69,200 bales including 46,100 bales canceled by Canada.

Slowed sales and shipments had been expected during a reporting week spanning the Christmas holidays but not to the extent reported Friday. All cotton export shipments fell to 126,000 running bales from the marketing year high of 240,000 bales set the previous week. Upland shipments were 48 percent below the prior week's total and 37 percent below the four-week average.

Looking ahead, interest is growing in the prospective area to be devoted to cotton in the Northern Hemisphere in the 2002-03 marketing year. The National Cotton Council (NCC) is conducting its annual planting intentions survey which aids industry planning and policy deliberations, particularly as Congress develops new farm legislation.

Survey forms have been mailed to approximately one-third of U.

S. producers, and recipients have been urged to respond by the January 25 cutoff date. Given the uncertainty surrounding new farm legislation, the council has requested that the anonymous respondents assume the current farm program will be retained for the 2002 crop.

Planting intentions will be reported at an American Cotton Producers meeting February 8 during the NCC's annual industry-wide convention in Dallas, Texas.

Also in February, Cotton Outlook will issue its first world production forecast for 2002-03. According to world cotton watchers, any sustained market recovery depends largely on the degree to which plantings in the Northern Hemisphere prove responsive to this season's low cotton prices. Of the world's two global cotton superpowers, some say China, at the moment, seems more likely to curtail plantings in accordance with market signals than will the United States.

In its January report, the International Cotton Advisory Committee (ICAC) widened the gap between its estimates of 2001-02 world production (96.7 million bales) and consumption (89.8 million) by 1.1 million bales. For next season, ICAC foresees a reversal of that situation with consumption rebounding 1.5 million bales from 2001-02 and production plunging 9.0 million bales.

Meanwhile, the U. S. agricultural attache' in Jakarta has reported Indonesia's cotton imports are expected to decline to 2.6 mil-

lion bales this marketing year from 2.5 million last season. Indonesia, through December 20, had booked 759,300 running bales of U. S. cotton for shipment this season. Of that, 304,700 bales had been shipped.

While internal textile demand has exhibited signs of recovery, the attache' said, Indonesia's cotton users continue to be plagued by the sluggish world economy, especially in the United States, Japan and Europe.

On the spot cotton scene, online sales of Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas cotton for the four trading days of the holiday-shortened week ended January 3 totaled 17,992 bales, doubling the previous week's sales of 8,653 bales. Prices received by growers selling their cotton online ranged from 25.48 to 26.98 cents per pound compared to a range of 26.39 to 26.87 cents per pound the prior week.

Master Marketer Registration Deadline Has Been Extended

Provided by Brandon McGinty
Texas Cooperative Extension
Agent-Ag

The registration deadline for the National Award winning Master Marketer Program to be held in Amarillo has been extended. According to the program coordinator, Dr. Steve Amosson, registration will remain open until the course is completely full.

"It will be three or four years before this training returns to

4-H Calendar of Events

Provided by Cory Payne
Texas Cooperative Extension
Agent-FCS

January 17-19--Briscoe County Stock Show, Silverton Show Barn
January 24-February 2--Fort Worth Stock Show

February 2-17--San Antonio Stock Show

February 20-March 2--Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo

Amarillo and given the impact this program has had, I want to make sure area producers have every opportunity to participate. Previous graduates have reported in increasing returns three to four percent on average. This translates to \$300 to \$7,000 per hour of involvement depending on the size of the operation. I do not know of any other opportunities in agriculture that have that kind of return," said Amosson.

The 64-hour curriculum is offered as four two-day sessions held every two weeks. It is the most intensive marketing and risk management training provided by Extension anywhere in the United States, say Texas Extension Economists.

The instructors are top professionals from industry and universities from around the country. A wide range of topics are covered to enhance marketing and risk management skills.

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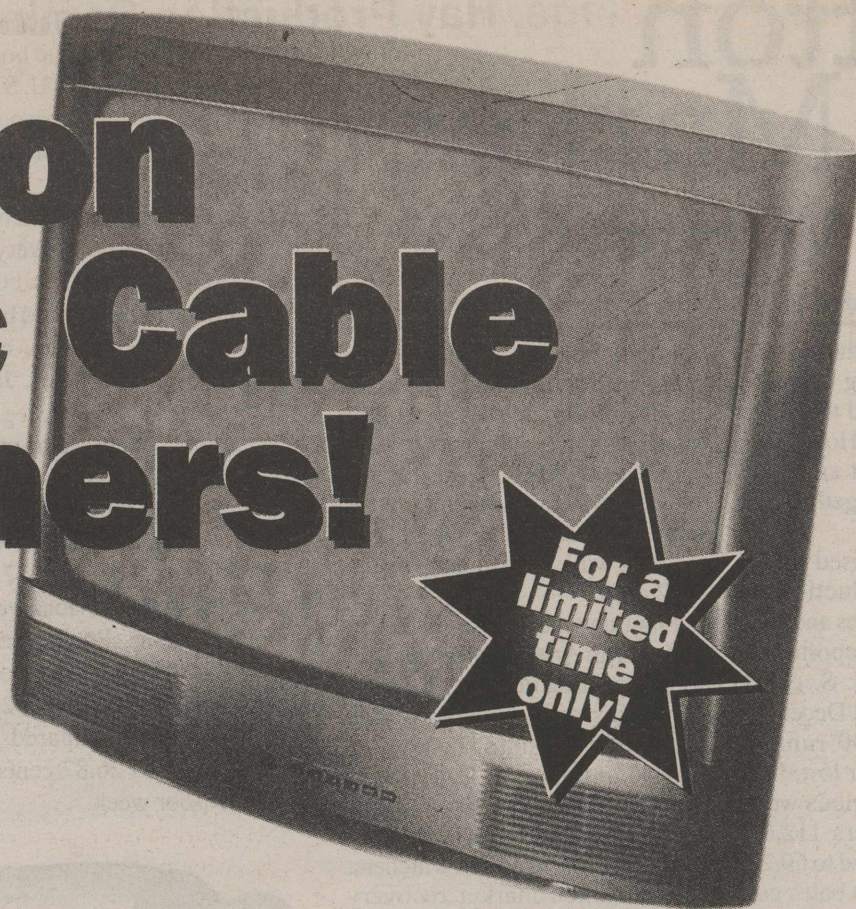
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Basketball Schedules



HIGH SCHOOL VARSITY

Game Times:

Girls-6:30, Boys-8:00

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

HIGH SCHOOL JUNIOR VARSITY

Game Times:

Girls-4:00, Boys-5:00

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

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JUNIOR HIGH

Jan. 12	--	Open
Jan. 14	--	Nazareth, There
Jan. 21	--	Valley, There
Jan. 28	--	Nazareth, home
Feb. 4	--	Happy, home



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Silage, Hay Production Seminars Are Set in the Texas Panhandle

Hay and silage production are an integral part of Texas panhandle agriculture. Beef cattle have been the primary consumers of these feedstuffs. But things are changing, say Texas Cooperative Extension crop and livestock specialists and recent expansions by the dairy industry. Today there is another, growing market for hay and silage in the region.

In an effort to provide current information on quality hay and silage production to area producers, Extension will host a series of educational meetings in three panhandle communities this month.

The first is slated for January 21 at the Bailey County Coliseum in Muleshoe. A second will be held in Hereford January 22 at the community center. A final session in Gray County on January 23 will be held at the M. K. Brown Center in Pampa.

At each location, registration will

I am younger each year at the first snow. When I see it, suddenly, in the air, all little and white and moving, then I am in love again and very young and I believe everything.

--Anne Sexton

open at 8:30 a.m. The presentations will start by 9:00 a.m. and end by 3:30 p.m. A sponsored lunch will be provided. Continuing education units will be available. Certified crop advisors can receive five CEUs and pesticide applicators can earn two.

Dr. Sandy Stokes, Extension dairy specialist from Stephenville, will begin each program with an overview of dairy production. She will address the types and quantities, and quality of forage required by today's dairy producers.

Other presenters will focus on corn silage production. Extension specialists, Brent Bean, agronomist, and Ted McCollum, beef cattle specialist, both of Amarillo, will discuss sorghum silage and hay production. They will include results from recent regional variety demonstration trials.

Keith Bolsen, beef cattle nutri-

Lady Owls Earn Victory at Paducah

Silverton's Owls and Lady Owls drove to Paducah for a pair of games Friday night, and while the Lady Owls won their match the Owls lost theirs on a buzzer-beating last-second shot.

Chelsey Cherry led the offense for the Lady Owls by scoring 16 points. Bryn Mayfield also scored in double figures, ringing up 10. Also scoring were Tarran Forbes, nine; Lori Griffin, seven; Kassie Strange, five; Amanda Estes, four points.

Lady Owls	9	24	38	52
Paducah	7	22	28	46

The Owls had led their game much of the way, and their fans weren't quite prepared for the last-second buzzer beater shot that gave

the Paducah Dragons a 61-59 victory. Red Ivory led the offense with 17 points. Also scoring in double figures were Darin Martin, 16, and Andrew Francis, 15. Also scoring were Matt Strange, seven, and Dustin Hale, four points.

Francis tossed in two shots from downtown, while his teammates Ivory and Martin each made one three point shot.

Owls	18	32	46	59
Paducah	10	26	44	61

The Lady Owls dropped a game to Hedley on the afternoon of January 2. The Green Lady Owls jumped out to an early lead and built it throughout the game.

Bryn Mayfield caged 12 and Chelsey Cherry hit 11 points to lead the Silverton offense. Also scoring were Tarran Forbes, nine; Lori Griffin and Amanda Estes, two points each.

Red Lady Owls	5	12	23	36
Green Lady Owls	15	44	53	72

The Red Owls took a big 86-59 victory over the Green Owls. Silverton led Hedley at the end of each quarter of play.

Five Owls scored in double figures behind Red Ivory who burned the baskets with a 31-point effort: Matt Strange, 18; Andrew Francis, 13; Dustin Hale, 12; Darin Martin, 10. Caleb Francis rounded out the score with a pair of points.

Shots from outside the arc were hit by Ivory, five, and Andrew Francis, three.

Red Owls	26	51	71	86
Green Owls	17	26	42	59

The teams will begin district games next week.

WEATHER

24 Hour January Readings taken at 6:00 a.m. daily

	High	Low	Precip.
1	26	20	
2	32	24	
3	30	10	.07
4	44	13	
5	44	30	
6	49	22	
7	51	22	
8	60	24	
Total Jan. 2002 Precip.			.07
Normal Jan. Precip.			.65
Precip. Rec'd in 2002			.07

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SCHEDULED ENTRY INTO FIELDS

Notice of Scheduled Entry into Fields, Pursuant to Tex. Agric. code Ann., Section 74.117 (Vernon Supp. 2001). Cotton producers in the Permian Basin Boll Weevil Eradication Zone, which consists of Dawson, Ector, Howard, Martin, and portions of Borden and Midland counties are hereby notified that Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation personnel will be conducting eradication activities in and around their fields, beginning **January 21, 2002**. All cotton fields will be mapped, and treatment will begin during late season. For notification prior to any chemical treatment, call 1-800-687-1212 with the exact location of your field and appropriate telephone numbers. Field entry and treatment is expected to last until all cotton is harvested in the zone. For more information regarding this program, please call the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation at 800-687-1212.

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Rance and his wife, Nancy, have three children: Tyler, Jenny and Tanner. They moved to Briscoe County in 1991 after living in the South Plains community of Floyd County since 1979. Both Rance and Nancy were born and reared in Floyd County. Nancy is presently employed by Silverton Independent School District as a fourth grade teacher. Prior to the appointment, Rance received his license and attended several training sessions.