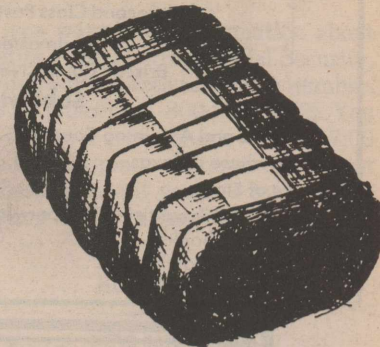


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Janinne Brooks was recipient of the annual Extension Service Supporter Award at the Program Council Banquet in Quitaque recently. She is shown accepting the plaque from Extension Agent Curtis Preston. The plaque will hang in the Extension office and a new plate will be engraved each year to honor the new recipient.

## Extension Program Council Banquet Held in Quitaque

The Briscoe County Extension Program Council Banquet was held Thursday night, January 31, at 7:00 p.m. at the Quitaque Community Center.

The Extension Program Council is made up of many volunteers from all over the county who help with the Extension program throughout the year.

Ms. Pat Kaiser from the Area Agency on Aging was the speaker. Ms. Kaiser shared some exciting information that she is working on with the Briscoe

### County Partners in Progress.

John Wyatt, Jimmy Burson, Linda Stark and Virginia Hardin gave reports from their respective committees. Chairman Steve Ulrey recognized the new members of the council and presented certificates to the retiring members.

County Extension Agent Curtis Preston presented Janinne Brooks the annual Extension Supporter Award. Mrs. Brooks is a nine-year veteran 4-H leader and Extension supporter.

### Country Time Jamboree Is On Stage Here Tonight

Advance tickets will be on sale until 1:00 p.m. today (Thursday, February 7) for tonight's performance of the Country Time Jamboree.

You won't want to miss this good country music show. One of the show's sponsors has been to Arkansas four times to see it, and she assures that it is excellent family entertainment.

Besides some very good country music and singing, the comedy is great and the patriotic music will move you deeply.

Show time is 7:30 p.m. in the Silverton School Auditorium. Be there!

### Methodist Church to Plan Family Skiing Trip Today

Silverton's Methodist Church is planning a family skiing trip.

Those interested in going are invited to meet in the church basement at 3:30 p.m. today (Thursday, February 7).

### Booster Club To Meet Monday, February 11

The Silverton Booster Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday, February 11, in the Junior High School Building.

## Weather Was Colder, Wetter Than Normal During January

The weather across the Texas South Plains during the month of January 1991 turned out to be colder and wetter than normal.

Temperatures averaged 2.4 degrees below normal and ranged from 0.9 degree below normal at Silverton to 4.4 degrees below normal at Plainview. Silverton's average temperature for the month was a very chilly 34.4 degrees.

Maximum temperatures averaged 5.6 degrees below normal and ranged from 3.9 degrees below normal at Silverton to 8.3 degrees below normal at Dimmitt. The highest temperature of the month was 72 at Brownfield on the third. Silverton's average maximum temperature was a cool 46.4 degrees.

Minimum temperatures averaged 0.7 degree above normal and ranged from 2.6 degrees above normal at Seminole

to 1.5 degrees below normal at Plainview. The lowest temperature recorded during the month was eight degrees at Tulia on the thirtieth. Silverton's overnight low temperatures averaged 22.3 degrees, sending utility bills soaring.

Precipitation averaged 0.64 inch above normal and ranged from 1.33 inches above normal at Jayton to 0.12 inch above normal at Silverton. The precipitation was in the form of rain, freezing rain, snow and even sleet a time or two. Averaging under two inches the snow totals were greatest in northwestern counties and much of that was reported on the tenth.

Silverton's total precipitation for the month was .76 of an inch, somewhat higher than the Briscoe County history of .65 of an inch during January.

## Swisher Electric Announces 1991 Youth Tour Plans

An all-expenses-paid trip to Washington, D. C. will be awarded to two area youth by Swisher Electric Cooperative, Inc.

This is the 25th year Swisher Electric has sponsored students on the Government-In-Action Youth Tour to Washington, D. C.

The winners will be selected on the basis of a speech contest to be held March 12, 1991 at Swisher Electric.

The 1991 Youth Tour is scheduled for June 6-18. The winners of Swisher Electric's speech contest will travel to Lewisville, Texas, where they will join other young people from all over Texas for the chartered bus trip to Washington.

In Washington, the students will visit their U. S. Congressman, watch the House and Senate in action, tour the Supreme Court building and visit the White House.

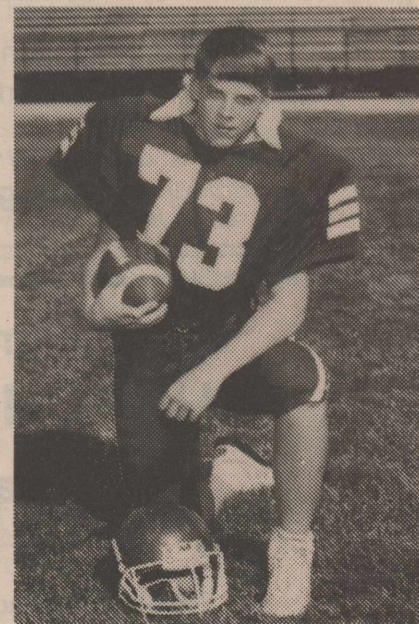
The youth also will get to tour the more memorable Washington, D. C. sights, including the Smithsonian Institution, the most popular memorials and monuments, and to witness the changing of the guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldiers at Arlington National Cemetery.

Any high school student attending school in Canyon, Kress, Nazareth, Happy, Tulia, Silverton, Olton or Hart is eligible.

Swisher Electric will try to arrange a

meeting with interested students at their local high schools between February 11 and 22 to present a program about the trip and answer questions about the contest.

Those interested, who do not hear more about the contest through their school, should contact Kacy Bivens at Swisher Electric Cooperative, P. O. Box 67, Tulia, Texas 79088, or 995-3567.



Langdon Reagan has been selected as a member of the Six-Man Football All-State Academic Team. A junior in Silverton High School, he was named to the All-District team as a center.

Owl POWER!

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**OBITUARIES**

**ROBERT OFFIELD**

Funeral services for Robert Offield of Henrietta were conducted at 10:00 a.m. Saturday at the First Baptist Church there with Rev. Ron Gunter, pastor, officiating. Burial was at Hope Cemetery by Davis Funeral Home.

Mr. Offield died Wednesday, January 30, 1991, at Bethania Hospital in Wichita Falls following a lengthy

illness.

Born February 19, 1922 in Hamilton County, he was a retired carpenter. He was a veteran of World War II.

Survivors include his wife, Jeanette of Henrietta; four daughters, Delores Bailey and Linda King of Lubbock, and Robin Offield and Rhonda Offield of Wichita Falls; a son, Randy Offield of Wichita Falls; his father, Charlie Offield of Silverton; a brother, C. J. Offield of Abilene; a sister, Ethel Carlton of Plainview; six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

**REBA RUSSELL**

Funeral services for Reba Russell, 71, of Plainview were conducted at 11:00 a.m. Saturday at Lemons Funeral Home chapel in Plainview with the Rev. Ron Brunson officiating.

Graveside services were at 11:00 a.m. Monday in the Spencerville Cemetery

at Spencerville, Oklahoma.

Mrs. Russell died at 5:00 p.m. Thursday at Methodist Hospital in Lubbock following an illness.

The former Reba Baze, she was born in Lamar County. She was graduated from Rattan High School. She married Fred Melvin Russell in 1939 at Hugo, Oklahoma. He died in 1989. She lived in Abilene, Granbury, Spencerville, Rattan, Oklahoma, Paris, Post, moving to Plainview in 1945. She was a member of the Baptist Church.

Survivors include a daughter, Monette Merriman of Canyon; two sons, Donald Ray Russell of Silverton and Pat Russell of Plainview; two brothers, Henry Baze of Rattan, Oklahoma and Charlie Baze of Powderly; a sister, Lois Young of Pickens, Oklahoma; eleven grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

**TERREL HARRIS, Sr.**

Funeral services for Terrel Kent Harris, Sr., 28, of Odessa were conducted at Frank W. Wilson Funeral Directors Chapel in Odessa, with the Rev. Emmett Barnard officiating.

Mr. Harris, a line foreman for Dixie Electric, Inc., was pronounced dead about 5:45 p.m. Thursday by Dr. John Rees at Medical Center Hospital, according to hospital reports.

Harris and another man were working on high-power lines at Conoco Johnson 38 Lease, about a mile north of the landfill on FM 1936, about 5:00 p.m., Ector County Sheriff's Department reports said.

Harris was standing on the ground leaning against a truck while the other man worked above him in a bucket designed to withstand shocks of high voltage, reports said.

The bucket, which was extended from the truck, came in contact with a power line, sending 7,200 volts of electricity through the bucket and truck, according to reports.

The bucket absorbed the voltage, protecting the other man, but the truck was not grounded, and Harris received the shock, according to the reports.

Mr. Harris was born October 28, 1962 in Farmington, New Mexico. He married Robin McKinney in 1982 in Levelland.

He had lived in Odessa all his life. He was graduated from Permian High School in 1979. He had been employed by Dixie Electric for the past 11 years. He was an aerial platform operator.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Terrel Kent Harris, Jr. and Jerrad Wayne Harris, both of Odessa; his parents, Bobby and Elizabeth Harris of Odessa; four sisters, Gayla Hurst and Mona Hunt, both of Plainview, Brenda Klein of Silverton and Tara Lynn of

**All Around The Town**  
 BY MARY ANN SARCHET

As of Monday, the Frizzell family still had not heard from Jamie since the war began in the Middle East, but Tuesday morning Ruby McWaters told the Briscoe County News that Robbie had called home.

Jamie's dad gave us a little bit of a correction for Jamie's address which reflects the battlefield promotion he received before the first of the year.

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In addition, Ruth West brought us the address of their grandson, son of Larry and Barbara West of Garland, who was deployed from Camp Pendleton. Dan West has been in the military for eight years.

SGT Dan West, USMC  
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Joe and Elzora Gallington have furnished us with the address of their grandson, who has been deployed to the Middle East. The family has heard from him, and he says he is safe and well.

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# Looking Back

through the files of the  
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**January 22, 1981**—Bernice G. Kingery, 80, buried at Roaring Springs . . . Elbert Dickerson, 83, buried here . . . Mark Patton was exhibitor of the grand champion barrow, Kerry Baird showed the reserve champion and the showmanship award for barrows went to Tad Cornett at the Briscoe County Livestock Show . . . Janie Denton named to Dean's Honor Roll at Wayland Baptist College . . . Mr. and Mrs. Doug Turner are parents of a son . . . Chris Wayne Breedlove receives degree at Texas A&M University . . . Dickie Vaughn was transported by the Silverton Volunteer Ambulance Service to Lubbock General Hospital Sunday night. He was kept in the emergency room until about 4:30 a.m. Monday, then placed in a room . . .

**January 28, 1971**—Lynn Frizzell listed on Dean's Honor Roll at Wayland Baptist College . . . Ian Lanham is listed on the Dean's Honor Roll at Texas Tech . . . Cathy Jones, Fern Parker and Carolyn Stovall on Dean's Honor Roll at Clarendon College . . . Pat Northcutt elected president of the Panhandle Livestock Association . . . Mary May is hostess to meeting of Haylake Club . . . Mrs. Donie Mae Green honored at celebration of her 100th birthday . . . Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Miller and Avonna spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Jay Miller at Idalou . . .

**January 26, 1961**—Mr. and Mrs. Fred Strange, Ronnie and Darla visited in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Poole, in Floydada Sunday afternoon . . . Celebrating the ginning of more than 5,500 bales of cotton this season, Tomlin-Fleming Gin will host a barbecue on the gin yard at noon February 1, weather permitting . . . Two new circuits being installed to Bean exchange . . . Alvin May celebrates eighth birthday at party in the home of his aunt, Miss Virginia May . . . Mr. and Mrs. Alvie Francis and children have been recent visitors with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Boone McCracken, in Quitaque . . . Haylake Club meets with Mrs. Tone Brooks . . . Durene Nance surprised with birthday party . . .

**January 25, 1951**—Local children appearing on Uncle Jay's Quiz Program Saturday afternoon in Amarillo were Paula Reid, Zobie Self, Gay Lynn Callaway, Marjorie Autry, Jerry McWilliams and Jimmy Scott Whitfill. The children were competing with a group of children from Mobeetie . . . Mrs. T. G. Olive and daughter, Betty Lou, moved to their new home in south Silverton Monday . . . Annual Football Banquet is to be held January 31 . . . Harold Seefeldt has been called to the armed services and left Monday for Dallas where he was to take his physical examination and from there he was to report to a base in North Carolina . . .

**January 31, 1946**—Frank Finley is seriously injured in road accident . . . C. C. Dodson of Memphis has become manager of the Briscoe County News, effective this week . . . A new school bus, purchased recently by the school board, was brought to Silverton Tuesday night and Wednesday it was "on the road" on its regular schedule . . . Flomot wins cage tournament here . . . Contract has been let for city paving and work is scheduled to start next week . . . School superintendent F. M. McCarty is re-elected for three-year term . . .

**January 28, 1986**—Miss Juanita

Switzer became the bride of Mr. Cecil Hart at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, January 16 . . . The Silverton Hatchery is in the market for your good hatching eggs. If you have a good flock of hens and want to sell hatching eggs, please see the hatchery at once . . . Born to Mr. and Mrs. Curtis King last Thursday, a fine baby girl . . . Roy Teeter was a Turkey visitor Tuesday of this week . . . Miss Polly Dunlap spent the weekend with Miss Althea Brown . . . Bob Dickerson was in Turkey Wednesday on business . . . Mrs. Ashel Cross was taken to the Plainview Sanitarium one day this week for treatment . . . Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Edwards and daughter, Juanita, and Mr. Wilbur Garvin visited in the M. M. Edwards home Sunday . . .

## Happy Birthday to . . .

February 7—Donna Edwards  
February 8—George Fry, Brad West, Susie Perry  
February 9—Anna Lee Anderson, Jim Reid III, Bern May  
February 10—Russell Bingham, Adelmira Ramirez, Lottie Owens, Ken Sarchet, Lottie Garrison, Kent Holt  
February 12—Doug Coleman, Wade Greeson, Jane Pigg  
February 13—David Gamble, Melissa Davis, Misti Mattheus

## Happy Anniversary to . . .

February 7—Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Burson, Mr. and Mrs. James Edwards  
February 11—Mr. and Mrs. Harold

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**Owls Earned Big Victory Over Lakeview Last Week**

In a game played on Wednesday afternoon of last week, Silvertown's Owls defeated Lakeview 65-55 behind an offensive effort that saw three Owls score in double figures. Bradley Brunson led with 22 points, followed by Kirk Couch, 16, (four three-point plays) and Wayne Henderson, 10 (three three-point plays). Adding to the score were Frank Ramirez, jr., seven (one three pointer); Bryan Breedlove, six; Brian Martin and Brian West, two points each.

Owls	8	28	52	65
Lakeview	12	21	37	55

On Friday night, when Memphis came to call, it was a much different story as the always-tough Cyclones defeated the Owls 108-54. Couch led the scoring with 16 points, scoring on three three-point plays. Adding to the score were Brunson, eight; West, seven; Casey Frizzell, six; Langdon Reagan, Henderson and Ramirez, five points each; Breedlove, two points. Henderson and Reagan scored three pointers.

Owls	10	26	37	54
Memphis	24	49	75	108

The Owlettes played very well in their game with Memphis, finishing the third period just one point behind. In the fourth period, all of the Owlette starters fouled out and Memphis went on to win 51-43. Aimee Francis led the scoring with 20 points, making one three pointer. Kami Martin added eight; Christine Casillas, six (including a three-point play); Monica Arnold, three (a three pointer); Christa Tucker and Ashleigh Wyatt, two points each.

Owlettes	14	25	33	43
Memphis	14	22	34	51

The Owlettes played very well in this game, and for a time it looked very much like they would defeat the Cyclonettes.

The Junior Varsity Owls played a game with Memphis in which they were defeated 57-15. Wil T Bomar led the scoring with five points, closely followed by Lance Holt, with four. Braden Towe, Matt Francis and Trent Smith scored two points each.

Owl JV	5	5	9	15
Memphis	31	40	50	57

The varsity teams wound up their regular schedule at Hedley Tuesday night.

**Junior High Teams Do Well In Tournament at Hedley**

Silvertown's Junior High Owls and Owlettes did well in the Hedley Booster Club Tournament last week, each team winning two games and losing one.

The Owls opened the tournament with a 39-28 loss to Samnorwood, in which the Owls started slow and were never able to recover. Michael Hill led the Owls in scoring with 12 points. Phil Patino popped in a three pointer and seven additional points for a total of 10, and Zeb Holt added six points.

JH Owls	4	11	20	28
Samnorwood	10	23	35	39

In their second game, the Owls took a 45-29 victory over Valley. Hill burned the baskets with 20 points while Patino tossed in 14 points. Jeremiah Brooks added five, Cy Comer got four and Holt rang up two points.

JH Owls	2	16	26	45
Valley	12	20	26	29

In their final game, according to Coach Bob Libby, the Owls played their best game of the season as they defeated Hedley 60-27. Hill tossed in a three pointer and totaled a big 27-point effort for the game. Patino added 14 points, while Dewayne Juarez got seven; Holt, six; Brooks, four, and Comer, two points.

JH Owls	10	13	40	60
Hedley	9	13	21	27

The Owlettes won their first game, a

24-12 decision over Samnorwood. Jo Ann Ramirez led the scoring with six points. Dedra Johnston and Brandi Brunson put up four points each, and Molly Bomar, Holly Nance, Shannon Weaver, LaToya Baker and Christina Stephens put in two points each.

JH Owlettes	4	8	12	24
Samnorwood	2	5	7	12

In the second round, the Owlettes took a 31-17 decision over Valley, jumping out to a big first-quarter lead and never giving it up. In balanced scoring, Dedra Johnston scored six points, and Brandi Brunson, LaToya Baker, Brandi Breedlove and Jo Ann Ramirez scored four points each. Holly Nance, Shannon Weaver, Rosie Segura and Christina Stephens contributed two points each.

JH Owlettes	13	23	27	31
Valley	2	8	12	17

The Owlettes lost their third game to Hedley, 43-28. Jo Ann Ramirez led the offense with a big 10-point effort. Holly Nance rang up six; Brandi Brunson and Dedra Johnston, four points each; Molly Bomar and Shannon Weaver, two points each.

JH Owlettes	10	14	24	28
Hedley	12	25	35	43

This completed the junior high schedule of games for the season.

**Silvertown School Lunchroom Menu**

February 11 - 15

Monday—Burritos, Pinto Beans, Corn, Cornbread, Fruit Cobbler, Milk

Tuesday—Beef and Cheese Taco, Salad, Spanish Rice, Fruit, Milk

Wednesday—Pot Pie, Salad, Crackers, Fruit, Milk

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The serving table was covered with a white lace cloth complimenting a mauve and blue silk arrangement with matching napkins. A variety of cookies and mock champagne punch were served from crystal appointments by friends of the honoree, Monica Arnold, Carrie Ann Grabbe and Jennifer Grimland.

The registration table displayed a picture of the bride-elect, her wedding book and a mauve candle in a crystal holder.

Guests were greeted by Dorothy Martin, the honoree, her mother, Anita Ramsey, and Fredia Fuston, mother of the prospective groom.

Out-of-town guests included grandmothers of the couple, Marie Ramsey of Quitaque, Olene Edwards and Maurice Fuston of Turkey. Other friends and relatives attending were Christine Brummett, Carol and Christen Ramsey, Jana Boyles, Una Lee and Judy Barrett of Quitaque, Glenna and Michelle Jameson of Claytonville, Sue and Amanda Parrish of Amarillo, Kyle's sister, Kacey Fuston of Turkey and a nephew, Seth, of Levelland.

An eight-place setting of Marmalade stoneware and crystal glasses were given the couple by the hostesses, including Martha Cavitt, Dorothy Martin, Ann West, Sally Grimland, Carolyn Reagan, Janinne Brooks, LaVern Kingery, Pam Nease, Connie Smith, Marsha Brunson, Gail Wyatt, Beverly Bowman, Mary Lane Younger, Janice Hill, Pat Arnold and Alice Grabbe.

### Joe and Ruby McWaters Enjoy Having Their Children at Home

Glen McWaters of Lamesa, Shane McWaters of Levelland, Dale, Pat and Christi McWaters spent Sunday with their parents and grandparents, Joe and Ruby McWaters.

In the afternoon, the family called Donna McWaters in Ansbock, Germany. She said that she was okay

but hadn't heard from Robbie.

Robbie did call the Dale McWaters family at 2:00 a.m. Monday. He also called his wife. He said he was okay and had received some of his mail.

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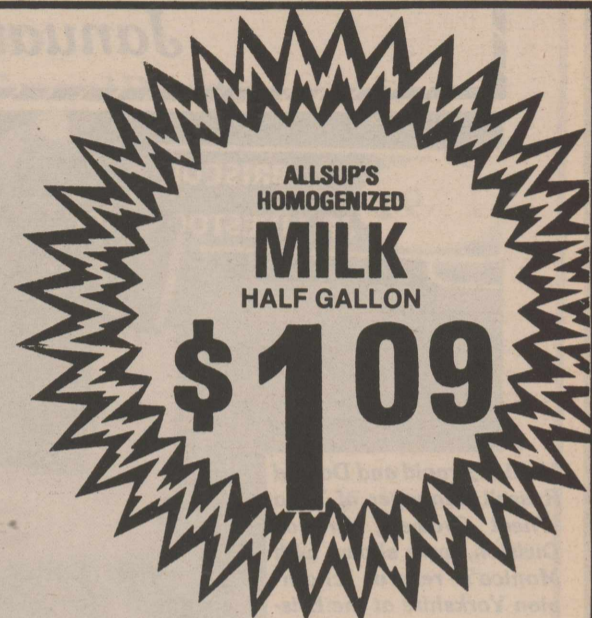
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Silverton is in the service area, and the hospice is eager to provide services to anyone in this area; however, a corps of volunteers will be necessary to help support the hospice services and to do this a volunteer training class needs to be held to help educate the community regarding hospice services and care. The classes are open to anyone who is interested in hospice and would like to know more, with the option of becoming a volunteer if they so choose. You do not have to be a volunteer to take the class!

Hospital of the Plains, Inc. would like to offer a summer session in 1991 in Silverton. To do this it is necessary that at least 10 interested individuals sign up to take the class. If you are interested and would like to learn more about hospice care by taking this volunteer training class, please contact Ted Kingery, who will be taking reservations and letting the Plainview office know if there is enough interest to hold a class this summer. You can reach Mr. Kingery at 823-2060 after 6:00 p.m. Don't miss this chance to learn more about hospice care and how it can meet needs in your community.



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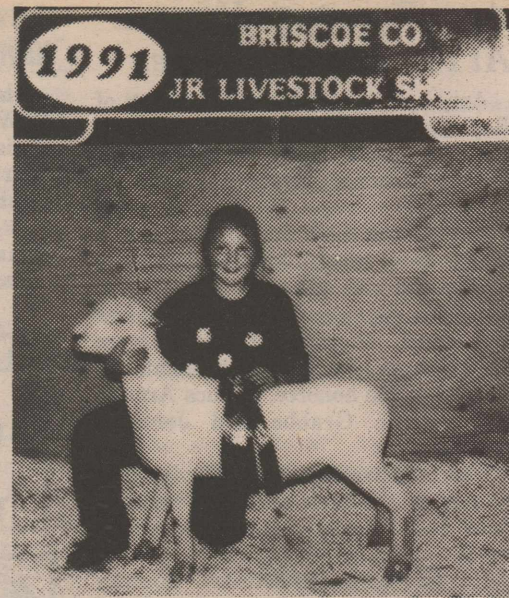
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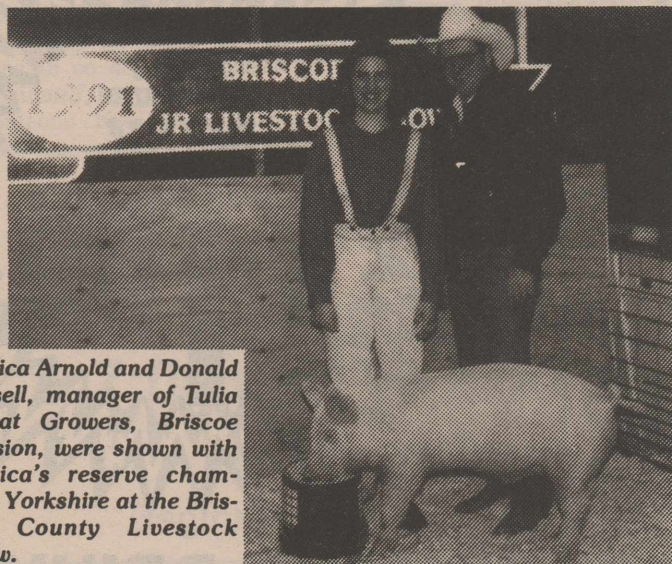
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January 26, 1991



Wynter Smith was exhibitor of the champion Southdown and the reserve champion cross-bred lamb at the Briscoe County Livestock Show.



Monica Arnold and Donald Russell, manager of Tulia Wheat Growers, Briscoe Division, were shown with Monica's reserve champion Yorkshire at the Briscoe County Livestock Show.

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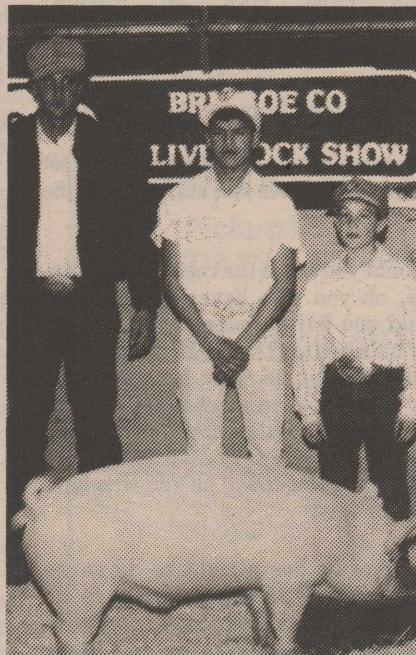
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Ken Wood (left) and Leland Wood (right) were pictured below with Frank Ramirez, jr. and his reserve champion Yorkshire at the Briscoe County Livestock Show.



Josh Brooks (above left) was pictured with his reserve champion market Chester White and G. W. Chappell, manager of Tulia Wheat Growers Farm Store, at the Briscoe County Livestock Show.

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**A Voice From the Country**



Earl Cantwell  
*Gems & Allegorys*

This matter of our economy: In my opinion, in the family as in the state, economy is the best source of wealth. It is the household mint, and with it few need be poverty stricken. The old axiom "keeping up with the Joneses" has been exploded by an observing economist. It seems as if Jones is having difficulty keeping up with himself. In the state the economists are the men who plan what is to be done with the money someone else made. Real economy practiced by the man who buys by the penny; in so doing he maintains not only himself, but others also. Someone has said our economic

situation is one where this generation pays the debt of the last generation by issuing bonds for the next generation.

Your doctor's advice to all eaters in the summertime. If you are thin, do not eat fast. If you are fat, do not eat fast. On eating an apple a day, and finding inside a hole deeply burrowed but unoccupied, don't pity yourself as you begin to squirm. Think for a moment of the worry you've given the worm.

The old-fashioned housewife's menus were carefully thought out. But the modern housewife's are hurriedly thawed out. Dieting is something that takes the starch out of you. Sandwich spread: What you get from eating between meals. A soldier defined Army food: The spoils of war.

I believe that the high chair and not the electric chair is the surest answer to crime. When the state is most corrupt, then laws are most multiplied.

A wise man once said: "To me it seems as if God conceived the world,

that was poetry; He formed it, and that was sculpture; He varied and colored it, that was painting; and then crowning all, He peopled it with living creatures, and that was the grand divine, eternal drama."

God gave man an upright countenance to survey the heavens, and look upward to the stars. He is happiest whether king or slave who finds happiness in his home.

What we can do for others is the test of power. What we can suffer for is the test of love.

Would you learn the road to laughter-town, oh you who have lost the way? Would you have a young heart though your hair be gray? Go learn from a little child each day; go serve his wants and play his play. And catch the lilt of his laughter gay, and follow his dancing feet as they stray. For he knows the road to laughter-town, oh you who have lost your way!

None of us has a right to do as we please, except when we please to do right. A mountain shames a molehill until both are shamed by the stars. Humility is to make a right estimate of oneself. And nothing sets a person so much out of the devil's reach as humility. If we do not learn humility, we will learn humiliation. To be humble to superiors is duty, to equals is courtesy, to inferiors is nobleness.

**Visits Children Down State**

Nina Martin recently spent a few days visiting Roma Martin and boys at Grandview. Stan Martin is working a short tour in New Orleans, Louisiana. Nina also visited with Gary, Celia and Marshall Syme in Waxahachie. Stan and Roma have purchased a new home and their address is Route 1, Box 26E, Grandview, Texas 76050.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Chisum of Tulia spent Sunday afternoon with Joe and Ruby McWaters.

**Quilting Thursday Afternoon At Senior Citizens Center**

If you like to quilt or would like to learn how to quilt, you are invited to the quilting Thursday at the Senior Citizens Center. The group will meet at 10:00 a.m., and will go out for hamburgers at noon. Visitors are welcome to attend.

**Letter to the Editor**

Enclosed is my subscription renewal. I look forward to receiving the paper each week. It helps me keep in contact with my home community that my family has been a part of for sixty-five years.

I'm looking forward to the centennial celebration in 1992, at First Baptist Church as well as the county events.  
Bonnie Chappell  
Golden Gate Seminary

*The word "plastic" comes from the Greek "plastikos", which means "able to be molded".*

**MAKE SURE YOU'RE NOT SHOPPING FOR TROUBLE.**

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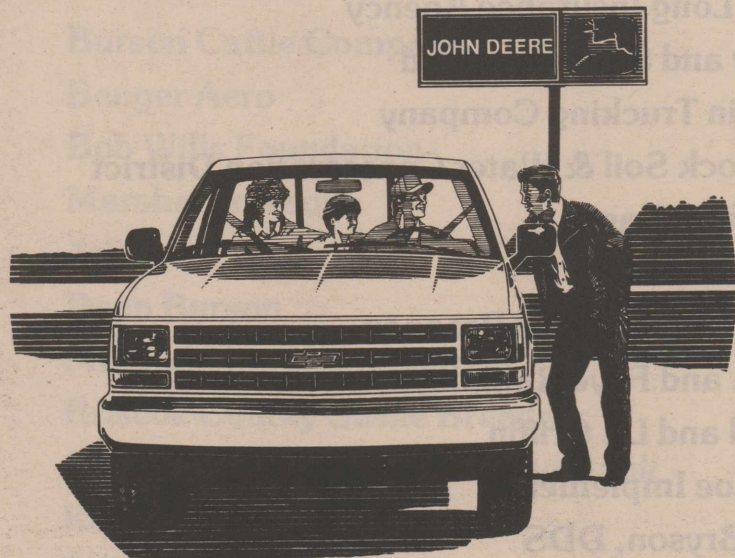
- Change in bowel or bladder habits
  - A sore that does not heal
  - Unusual bleeding or discharge
  - Thickening or lump in breast or elsewhere
  - Indigestion or difficult swallowing
  - Obvious change in wart or mole
  - Nagging cough or hoarseness
- If you have a warning signal, see your doctor.
- Mrs. Grady (Delene) Tyler is president of the Briscoe County Unit of the American Cancer Society. Margie Pinkerton, RN, is an officer of the Briscoe County Unit and can be contacted for further information.

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# Little Dribbler Teams Organized Last Week

At a meeting of Little Dribbler coaches and parents last week, teams were organized and plans were made for the season to begin on Tuesday, March 5.

Bena Hester will be in charge of the concession stand, and Mary Ann Sarchet is scheduling work assignments. If you cannot work when you have been assigned, please contact Mrs. Sarchet at 823-2333.

The school has asked the Little Dribbler parents to make sure the boys and girls remain inside the gym at all times, and that there will be no running and throwing things (balls included) in the hallway of the gym where the trophy cases are located. Because some damage has occurred in the past inside and outside the gym during basketball games, a male parent has been assigned the responsibility of enforcing these rules and keeping order.

There will be four third and fourth grade teams and four fifth and sixth grade teams. Four games will be played each day, beginning at 5:00 p.m.

Nancy Wood, David and Diane Johnston, Barry Francis, and Dwight Ramsey, Gordon and Saundie Wade will be coaching the younger teams. Coaches of the older teams will be Twila Baldwin, Barry Francis, Nancy Wood and Larry Comer.

Games will be played with the clock running continuously the first three quarters so the school boys and girls won't be kept out too late on school nights.

Deb Burson will be selecting team shirts for the players.

Third and fourth grade teams include:

**Nancy Wood's  
RED TEAM**

Kenda Wood, Paul Donahoo, Mickey Juarez, Misty Edwards, Jay Arnold, Donny Burson, Michael Calzadias, Lindsey Weeks, Amanda Harris, Maribel Garcia

**David & Diane Johnston's  
NAVY TEAM**

Dara Johnston, Vince Cruz, Tanner Wood, Laura McCammon, Jeremy Holt, David Gamble, Junior Castillo, Misty Wilkinson, Jamie Casillas

**Barry Francis'  
GREEN TEAM**

Nathan Francis, Jordan Sarchet, Ryan Minyard, Lisa Comer, Jared Holt, Bert Garza, Paul Segura, Destiny Ivory, Tyra Younger, Lorn Estes

**Dwight Ramsey,  
Gordon & Saundie Wade's  
PURPLE TEAM**

Dara Ramsey, Charlie Bomar, Daniel Reagan, Kylie Wade, Vanessa Reyna, Matt Martin, Eddie Martinez, Lindsey Jennings, David Donahoo

**Fifth and sixth grade teams include:  
Twila Baldwin's  
GRAY TEAM**

Zac Baldwin, Arnold Garza, Teri Rodgers, Kenzie Burson, Billy Edwards, Michael Reagan, Carrie Baird  
**Barry Francis'  
RED TEAM**

Jared Francis, Trey Ziegler, Brandon Sarchet, Shauna Kingery, Melissa Barraza, Will Hester, Molly Brooks

**Nancy Wood's  
BLACK TEAM**

Andy Bullock, Juan Angel Garcia, Anthony Gamble, Hector Martinez, Wynter Smith, Lacy Brunson, Leland Wood

**Larry Comer's  
BLUE TEAM**

Amanda Cruz, Chris Justice, Miles Comer, Lupe Vargas, Marshall McCammon, Jonathan Ivory, Trey Wyatt

The schedule of games and work assignments will be printed in the Briscoe County News as soon as they are finalized.

## Last Caprock Jamboree Was Best of Them All!

For those who were unable to attend the Caprock Jamboree last Saturday night, "You missed something!" Everyone attending commented that the show just gets better and better! There was a big crowd and many attended for the first time. The newcomers assured the Jamboree organizers that they would be back.

A good program already is lined up for the March Jamboree. More will be given about that at a later date.

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# Ultrasound Nearing Application in Live Animal Carcass Testing in Lubbock

With all the talk of value-based marketing and instrument grading currently circulating in the beef cattle industry, seedstock producers are faced with finding ways to produce breeding animals that possess high genetic potential for carcass merit.

"This is no easy task," says Dr. Ronnie D. Green, assistant professor of beef cattle breeding and genetics at Texas Tech University. Some of the most important carcass traits have traditionally been measured only on the hanging carcass in a packer's cooler, which is not how breeding stock is sold.

Texas Tech has teamed up with Ankony Shadow Isle Angus, Minatare, Nebraska and Bennett, Colorado to develop technology which will allow carcass merit expected progeny differences, EPD's, to be incorporated into their breeding program.

The researcher is using the latest ultrasound equipment, an Aloka 500 V, to measure backfat thickness, ribeye area, seam fat and intramuscular fat or marbling.

The first phase of this long-term study, Green says, is to get the measurements and validate them. "We've got to determine if we can do this with ultrasound equipment and if so how accurate we can be."

The first goal of Green's two graduate assistants, Tommy Perkins, a graduate of Silverton High School and son of Thomas Lee and Rosemary Perkins, and Kevin Hamlin, was to become skilled technicians. The ultrasound technique has been around for several years, but most research has been done with small herd numbers. "The ultrasound method has come back within the last two years because of the industry's plea to get fat out," Green says.

At present he believes ultrasound measurement is the best method to predict total carcass fat.

Work began in May with the older ultrasound Aloka 210. The problem with this particular machine, Perkins says, was that an entire ribeye picture would not fit on the screen. "We had a split screen which meant some matching up of sides was necessary. Quite a bit of variability occurred because it involved some guessimation." The new Aloka 500 released in September has a larger transducer enabling an entire ribeye image to be projected onto a screen.

A video tape is used while live measurements are taking to tape the image off the ultrasound screen. Measurements are taken at the 12th and 13th rib. Backfat is easily calculated in the field, Perkins says, but the computer does not have the capability to measure the ribeye area directly. In the ultrasound laboratory, the videotape along with a computer image analysis system projects the ribeye area on the screen, the desired area is traced, and the amount of fat is calculated.

The new machine has higher resolution, 64 different gradescals as opposed to 16 in the old machine. Each time different muscle, fat, or bone is encountered the image changes colors. "Fat is not black and muscle white," Perkins says. With experience, operators learn to trace where the different muscles are and what's fat. "Our biggest challenge is quantifying fat, particularly seam fat." To become more proficient, the assistants have gone into the meat cooler and traced seam fat and muscles on acetate paper.

Cattle are measured in one day with the ultrasound equipment and slaughtered and processed the next to

have comparable measurements. The reason for choosing seam fat and ribeye measurements, Perkins states, is that those have traditionally been used in the yield grade equation. Measurements taken will be standardized by breed, age and weight.

Repeatability of the technicians has been measured by taking several measurements on the same carcass. Perkins admits that accuracy depends on who is doing it, making it "somewhat technician-dependent." He adds with confidence that accuracy has improved. "The correlation continues to get closer to one. That's why we wanted to become proficient in the technique before we continue with the other phases," he notes.

As for efficiency, the technician remarks that cattle can be measured just as fast as the feedlot can process them, and up to 70 ribeye measurements can be done in an hour in the laboratory.

Green says results so far suggest that ultrasonic measurements of backfat and ribeye area may serve as accurate predictors of final carcass fat thickness.

Since May, 1000 feedlot cattle and 500 breeding animals have been measured in addition to the first 650 data set. This data will be analyzed to determine appropriate ultrasonic measurement protocols for use in developing a carcass merit EPD, Green notes.

The second phase in the research project is to determine if these

measurements are heritable. "The Ankony herd is ideal to work with because they have the performance and pedigree records. This information coupled with the derived measurements should tell us if it's genetics." Some actual steer progeny test carcass data will be produced from bulls measured ultrasonically in the first year.

The third and final part, he adds, is to determine how to select for these fat measurements if genetics is involved. The ultimate goal of the study is to develop a carcass merit EPD that will incorporate all the fat measurements into one number.

There has been talk for several years about developing a carcass merit system, and Green believes the industry will accept one only "if it is given a number that the industry can use." The researcher hopes to boil it down to one number rather than listing several different fat figures. He knows that some of his academic colleagues will argue the issue of having only one number rather than several. In the end, Green says, carcass traits may require two numbers, one as a taste indicator and another as a yield indicator.

Very preliminary work is underway to determine marbling percentages, Green states. A digitizer is being perfected to take the actual measurements. The ribeye image is frozen into the computer, he explains, and the area is traced. Marbling deposits are calculated based on the percentages of gray shades. A color

scale will be developed using an actual photograph and the 64 different gray shades the computer producers will be matched to their photograph. Green realizes that it will be difficult to perfect the technique, but he hopes that in time a good estimate can be predicted.

Eighteen newborn opossums can be placed in a teaspoon.

## STATE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Pursuant to the Administrative Procedure and Texas Register Act, Texas Civil Statutes, Article 6252-13a, §5, the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation will hold a series of five public hearings on proposed new §§11.80-11.90, concerning Environmental and Public Involvement for Highway Improvement Projects. Notice of the proposed adoption of the new sections and their text were published in the December 14, 1990 issue of the Texas Register (15TexReg 7160).

The dates, places, and locations for the respective hearings are as follows: Thursday, February 7, 1991, Memorial High School, 935 Echo Lane, Houston; Thursday, February 14, 1991, Holiday Inn Center, 6201 E. Highway 80, Odessa; Tuesday, February 19, 1991, Corpus Christi Marriott, 707 N. Shoreline Drive, Corpus Christi; Thursday, February 21, 1991, Holiday Inn DFW North, 4441 Highway 114 and Esters Blvd., Irving; and Monday, February 25, 1991, Radisson Hotel, 700 San Jacinto St., Austin. The Austin public hearing was originally scheduled to be held at Camp Mabry, however, due to the current crisis in the Middle East, it has been closed to civilians.

Each hearing will convene at 7:00 p.m. Those desiring to make oral comments or presentations may register starting at 6:30 p.m. Any interested person may appear and offer comments, either orally or in writing, however, questioning of those making presentations will be reserved exclusively to the presiding officer as may be necessary to ensure a complete record. While any person with pertinent comments will be granted an opportunity to present them during the course of the hearing, the presiding officer reserves the right to restrict testimony in terms of time and repetitive comment. Organizations, associations, or groups are encouraged to present their commonly held views, and same or similar comments, through a representative member where possible. Comments on the proposed text should include appropriate citations to sections, subsections, paragraphs, etc., for proper reference. Any suggestions or requests for alternative language or other revisions in the proposed text should be submitted in written form.

To assure that all persons who have registered to speak are afforded an opportunity to do so and to avoid undue hardship or inconvenience of conducting the proceedings beyond an unreasonable hour, the presiding officer may recess the hearing and reconvene at 7:00 p.m. the following evening at a location to be announced upon recess, for the limited purpose of receiving those remaining comments.

Written comments may also be submitted to William A. Lancaster, P. E., Chief Engineer, Highway Design Division, 11th and Brazos Streets, Austin, Texas 78701. Copies of the proposed rules are available from the department's district offices in each of the named cities and from Mr. Lancaster. The deadline for submitting all comments is 5:00 p.m. on March 31, 1991.

## Public Notice

Southwestern Bell Telephone Company has filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas to introduce new optional services, Personalized Ring<sup>SM</sup> and ComCall<sup>SM</sup>, beginning March 18, 1991.\*

Personalized Ring<sup>SM</sup> is an optional service that provides single-line customers the ability to manage incoming calls by allowing up to three directory numbers to share the same line. One of the numbers is called the "master" number; the others are called the "dependent" numbers. A regular ring is provided for the master number and unique distinctive rings are provided for up to two dependents.

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Persons who wish to comment on this application should notify the commission by March 7, 1991. Requests for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, 7800 Shoal Creek Boulevard, Suite 400N, Austin, Texas, 78757, or you may call the Public Utility Commission Public Information Office at (512) 458-0256, or (512) 458-0221, teletypewriter for the deaf.

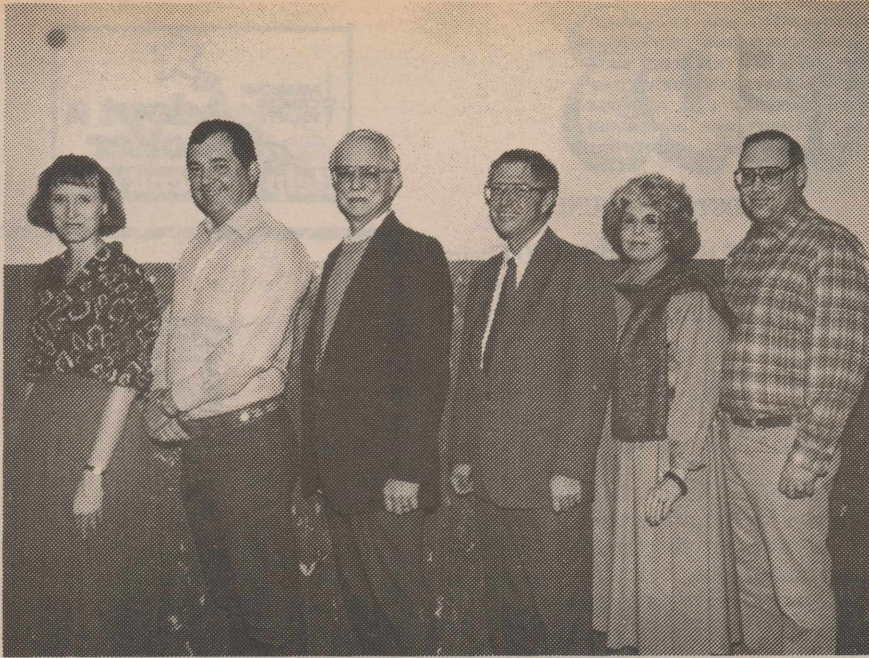


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\*\* These rates are in addition to the rates for basic local exchange service.

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110th JUDICIAL DISTRICT—With the swearing in of Randy Hollums as the new District Judge for the 110th Judicial District, came a few minor changes, most of them in new and long state titles. The employees of the 110th are (left to right) Terri Wyatt, court reporter; Benny Ball, community supervision and corrections officer; Nathan Mulder, director community supervision and corrections department; Randy Hollums, district judge; Winona Allen, executive secretary, and James Williams, intensive supervision probation officer.

**Social Security  
In  
Briscoe County**

by Mary Jane Shanes

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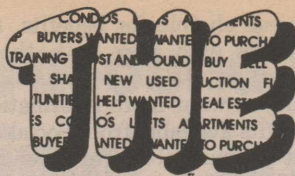
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