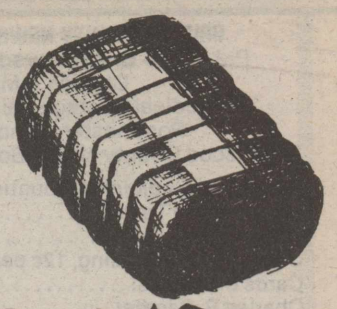




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Dave Clark, who is director of Regional Health Services at Baptist/St. Anthony's Health System, has asked that I clarify the situation at the Briscoe County Clinic. Even though I stated that a physician's assistant would be coming here from Claude half days and that the clinic hours would be 1:00 until 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday (or until the last patient is seen), he didn't feel that I made it clear that the clinic is open with all its usual services available to its patrons.

There will be some specialty clinics, including children's clinics, women's services, etc., in the mornings and these will be announced in the newspaper.

We do want to make it clear that Baptist/St. Anthony's Health System remains committed to the Silverton community. The best way to minimize fears of a clinic closure is simply to utilize your local health resources. Don't leave town when that care is being made available locally, safely and with quality personnel.

Another thing I discovered the other day when I was at the clinic for treatment is that some medications are being dispensed at the clinic. This helps the patient get on the prescribed medication quickly and without always having to leave town to get it filled.

Yes, our clinic is without a physician's assistant at this time, but the PA from the Claude clinic will be filling in here until one is secured to again open our clinic full time.

FBLA To Serve Brisket Lunch

Silverton High School Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) will have a Brisket Lunch Sunday, February 16, in the school cafeteria to raise money to attend the State Leadership Conference (SLC) in Houston.

The luncheon will include brisket, cooked by Dale Smith of Quitaque, beans, potato salad, bread and dessert. The lunch will be served from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and the cost is \$6.50 for adults, \$4.00 for children 4-12 years old, and free to children three and under.

Please help the Silverton FBLA chapter attend the SLC. These young people are our future!

Happy Anniversary To

February 14--Mr. and Mrs. Bill Boling, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Estes, Mr. and Mrs. David Reagan

February 17--Mr. and Mrs. John Wyatt

District Champs!



The varsity Lady Owls and their coach, Joe Crabb, are proud of their new District Championship trophy and the fact that they won it without losing any conference game. They are entering the State Playoffs on a high note and will be playing Samnorwood at Clarendon College at 7:00 p.m. today (Thursday). Pictured clockwise beginning with Coach Crabb are Sara Kirchoffner, Misty Wilkinson, Lindsey Weaks, Terri Chitwood, Lacy Brunson, Shauna Kingery, Kenzie Burson, Dara Ramsey and Michelle Warren. R Photography Photo

Lady Owls Advance To Bi-District

Silverton's varsity Lady Owls are advancing into the state playoffs with their bi-district game tonight at 7:00 at Clarendon College.

The Lady Owls will be playing the Samnorwood girls, who finished second in their district. As the first-place seed in the district, the Lady Owls are matched with the second-place team.

The Samnorwood and Miami boys are having a playoff to determine first- and second-place seeds, and the loser will play the varsity Silverton Owls at a day and time to be announced.

While they are awaiting their bi-district game, the Owls have scheduled some warm-up games.

They will be playing undefeated Higgins at White Deer at 7:00 p.m. Friday, February 14.

On Monday, February 17, the Owls will travel to Idalou to play Klondike at 7:00 p.m.

The boys bi-district action will start the latter part of next week.

Group To Meet Here on Feb. 21

To all past members of Briscoe County Citizens for Natural Weather Association: Notice is hereby given that a meeting of Briscoe County Citizens for Natural Weather Association will be held on February 21, 1997 at 1:30 p.m. in the County Courtroom for the purpose of designating a signator and to consider disposition of remaining funds.

School-Wide Program Today

Silverton ISD will present a school-wide program on Thursday, February 20, at 7:00 p.m. in the school library.

Purpose of the program, "Parent Involvement -- Key to Success," is to encourage students to achieve their potential.

All parents and interested persons are invited to attend.



The varsity Owls have repeated as the District Champions this year, and once again were not defeated in the conference campaign. They will be entering the State Playoffs after playing some warm-up games. Pictured with their coach, Donnie Dutton (left), they are Jeremy Holt, Brandon Sarchet, Arnold Garza, Jared Holt, Trey Wyatt, Jack Cherry, Jon Ivoy, Jay Arnold, Leland Wood and Will Hester. R Photography Photo

Win Owls, Lady Owls!

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Expanded Local Calling Is Approved by Telephone Patrons

Expanded Local Calling Service from the Bean Exchange to the Exchanges of Floydada, Lockney, Plainview, Tulia and Vigo Park were approved in recent balloting by telephone patrons of Mid-Plains Rural Telephone Cooperative, and should be implemented soon.

Exchange	Total		% Yes
	Yes	No	
Floydada	80	14	85.11
Lockney	79	14	84.95
Plainview	87	10	89.69
Tulia	84	13	86.60
Vigo Park	75	17	81.52

The percentage of total responses which were affirmative was greater than the required 70 percent for the petitioned exchanges and has satisfied the requirements of the law governing such expanded local calling service.

It has been recommended that

the presiding officer, the contact person, and the affected local exchange carriers (LEC's) be notified of the results of the ballot and the LEC serving the petitioning exchange, Mid-Plains Telephone Cooperative, Inc., should be directed to file a schedule of proposed implementation and fees for ELC service requested in this application.

The petition for Expanded Local Calling Service from the Silverton Exchange to the Exchanges of Floydada, Lockney, Plainview, Tulia and Vigo Park also were approved by the voters.

Exchange	Total		% Yes
	Yes	No	
Floydada	170	32	84.16
Lockney	168	32	84.00
Plainview	182	27	87.08
Tulia	184	27	87.20
Vigo Park	154	40	79.38

The percentage of the total responses which were affirmative was greater than the required 70 percent for all the petitioned exchanges and has satisfied the requirements of the law governing the expanded local calling; however, SWBT is prohibited from transporting calls across LATA boundaries without federal approval, and it has been recommended that the Floydada,

Lockney and Plainview exchanges be severed from this project, docketed and abated while SWBT seeks a waiver from the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) in order to implement Expanded Local Calling. The petition should then be restyled to read *Petition for Expanded Local Calling Service from the Silverton Exchange to the Exchanges of Tulia and Vigo Park*.

By doing this, the Tulia and Vigo Park exchanges could be added to Silverton's Expanded Local Calling Service while approval for the other three cities is being sought. This has to do with some of the towns being served by the Amarillo LATA and some by the Lubbock LATA, which is served by Southwestern Bell Telephone. SWBT is prohibited from transporting calls across LATA boundaries without federal approval.

OBITUARIES

RUBY LEE KITCHENS

Funeral services for Ruby Lee Kitchens, 74, were conducted at 3:00 p.m. Monday at the Silverton Church of Christ. Officiating were the minister, Ted Kingery, and J. D. Nance, Minister of the Rock Creek Church of Christ.

Interment was in the Silverton Cemetery, with arrangements made by Myers-Long Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Kitchens died Saturday, February 8, at Lockney where she had been taken by ambulance earlier in the week.

Born October 31, 1922 in Briscoe County, Texas, she was the daughter of Wade and Zoe Steele. She married Louie Kitchens December 22, 1940 in the Steele home southwest of Silverton.

She was a homemaker and a member of the Silverton Church of Christ. She enjoyed cooking and gardening. She had been active in 4-H Club work and the Home Demonstration Club before failing health restricted her activities.

Survivors include her husband, of the home; one son and daughter-in-law, Joe and Carolyn Kitchens, of Silverton; her mother, Zoe Steele, of Lubbock; one sister, Polly Jarrett, of Lubbock; by grandchildren, Brandon Kitchens of Pampa, Jana and Rick Beesinger and Heather and Chad Davis, all of Abilene; and two great-grandchildren, Skyler Beesinger and Galey Beesinger, both of Abilene.

Pallbearers were Danny Mac Francis, Wayne Henderson, Zane Henderson, Rance Young, Barry Francis, Dwain Henderson, John Schott, Tom Burson and William Hancock.

The family suggested memorials be made to the Silverton Volunteer Ambulance Service or a favorite charity.

O. T. VARDELL

Services for O. T. (Slim) Vardell, 82, who died Wednesday, February 5, were conducted at

3:00 p.m. Friday at the First Baptist Church in Dimmitt with the Rev. Van Earl Hughes, retired minister, and the Rev. Johnny Griffith, pastor of Avenue Baptist Church in Hereford, officiating. Arrangements were by Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home.

Mr. Vardell was born at Greenwood in Wise County. He lived in Hereford before moving to Dimmitt in 1949. He attended the Haylake School in Briscoe County and West Texas State University. He also had taken special courses at Texas A&M University and The University of Texas.

He married Kathryn Easter in 1951 at Portales, New Mexico.

He was in the retail fuel business for 40 years. He was an Army veteran of World War I and a member of First Baptist Church and the Texas Butane Dealers Association. He had been a member of the Masonic Lodge and Scottish Rite for 50 years.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Ann Sessions of Hereford and Nancy Bullock of Thornton, Colorado; a brother, Willard Vardell of Silverton; two sisters, Maggie Sweek and Annie Williams, both of Silverton; and four grandchildren.

The family requested memorials be to Kings Manor, Box 1999, Hereford, Texas 79045; or the scholarship fund at First Baptist Church, 1201 Western Circle, Dimmitt, Texas 79027.

GARY LYNN TURNER

Funeral services for Gary Lynn Turner, 37, were scheduled at 1:00 p.m. Wednesday at the First Baptist Church in Silverton, with the pastor, Rev. Jess Little, officiating.

Interment was to be in the Silverton Cemetery, with arrangements made by Myers-Long Funeral Directors.

Mr. Turner, a resident of Hico, died Sunday, February 9.

Born in Borger June 24, 1959, he was the son of Billy and Juanell Turner.

He attended Silverton High School where he was a four-year letterman in football and basketball, played on the team that won the Regional Basketball Tournament in 1977, was a state tennis qualifier and a regional track qualifier his senior year, and was named to All-District football and basketball teams. He

was graduated with the Class of 1977.

At West Texas State University, he participated in power lifting, and after returning to Silverton began the manufacture of weight and exercise equipment. He was a welder and continued to work here until a couple of years ago.

He is survived by his wife, Marilyn, of Hico; his parents, Billy and Juanell Turner, Silverton; a son, Garrett, of Hico; a daughter, Alexis, of Hico; a daughter, Erica, of Amarillo; a step-daughter, Nicole, of Hico; and his grandmother, Ellen Russell of Vernon.

Jack Sutton To Be Honored At Program Saturday

A program honoring Jack Sutton, 1996 inductee into the Western Swing Hall of Fame, will be presented Saturday, February 15, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Gem Theatre in Claude.

Sutton grew up in the Goodnight community, near Claude, and was a well known pianist in western swing music.

The Country Sounds of Silverton will present music for the program.

For reserved seating, call Armstrong County Museum, 806-226-2187.

WEATHER

FEBRUARY 24-HOUR READINGS

DAY	HIGH	LOW	PRECIP.
1	74	35	
2	76	38	
3	61	36	
4	70	31	
5	50	24	
6	40	30	.19
7	35	30	.23
8	36	17	
9	38	18	
10	39	22	
11	51	23	

Total Feb. Precip.	.42
Normal Feb. Precip.	.60
Total Precip. Rec.	
Year to Date	.92
Normal Precip.	
Year to Date	1.25

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Looking Back

through the files of the
Briscoe County News

February 12, 1987-School attendance is vital during next four weeks . . . A bi-district game between Lakeview and Nazareth will be played in the Silverton School gym February 17 . . . Silverton's Owls are playing a series of warm-up games in preparation for their bi-district game with the Nazareth Swifts sometime during the week of February 22-26 . . . Owlettes finish season at Lakeview gym . . . Mrs. Bud McMinn to be honored with a reception Sunday on the occasion of her eightieth birthday anniversary . . . Casey Bean, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bean, has received his bachelor's degree in telecommunications cum laude from Texas Tech University . . . Dave Francis was among those named to the fall dean's honor roll at Lubbock Christian College. He posted an average of 3.56 and will be a candidate for graduation in the spring . . . James Johnson, 29, is the youngest person ever to receive a doctorate from Texas Tech University in higher education, specifically college administration and speech. He and his wife, the former Lesa Francis, have two children, Jonathan, six, and Angela, four. He is the son-in-law of John and Maebelle Francis . . . From the limbs of willow trees, John McGavock, son of J. D. and Daphne Ferne McGavock, makes furniture--chairs, chaise lounges, love seats, rocking chairs, tables and plant holders . . .

February 17, 1977-Funeral services conducted for Mrs. J. H. Hamblen, 81, at Abilene; Jo Ann Odom Mercer, 49, of Silverton and Erin Burnett Roehr, 65, at Clarendon . . . Della Boling employed as Silverton office manager of Central Plains Savings & Loan Association . . . Junior High Owls win district. Team members are David Vaughn, Jeff McCord, Gary Juarez, Jimmy Lacy, John Segura, Russell Couch, Casey Bean, Kelly McMurtry, Mark Patton, Bill Settle, Andy Fabela, Monty Roehr, Walter Perkins, Blaine Eddleman and Jimmy Stone . . . Scoring for the Owlettes as they also won their last game were Penny Cogdell, Kim Fitzgerald, Staci Mayfield, Susie Tipton, Scotti Fleming and DeAnn Strange . . . Mrs. Dora Johnston celebrates 97th birthday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Ragland in Lockney . . .

February 16, 1967-J. D. Brown services conducted Saturday . . . Army Private Guy W. Breedlove, 23, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Breedlove, completed advanced combat training at Fort Carson, Colorado on January 26 . . . Mr. and Mrs. Hilburn Casey of Lockney spent Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bean and sons . . . Gerald Max Smith, formerly of Silverton, a senior animal science major at Texas A&M University, has received a

\$500 award from the Ralston Purina Company. The award, which is made each year to a senior in the A&M College of Agriculture, recognizes Smith's outstanding academic achievement, leadership and student activities . . . Mr. and Mrs. Allen Kellum were in Lubbock Thursday. He attended a chemical meeting at Texas Tech and she saw a doctor. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Gene Goodwin and daughters . . . Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Garrison, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Farris Martin and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Mercer are attending the annual convention of the Texas Federation of Cooperatives . . . Garner Guest has been a business visitor here for several days . . . Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Montague and Jene and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Rhoderick, jr. and Eddie were Sunday visitors with Mrs. Will Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Rhoderick . . . Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Crass were honored by friends on their 34th wedding anniversary Wednesday immediately following the evening services of the Rock Creek Church. The J.D. Nance home was the scene of the party . . . Mr. and Miss Personality are Jim Burson and Margaret Minyard. Elected Most Likely to Succeed were Randy Hughes and Connie Dudley . . .

February 21, 1957-Briscoe County received a general rain with .87 of an inch falling on Silverton . . . Eldon O'Neal was awarded third place in the District Two Cotton Production Contest. He was the Briscoe County winner and placed third in competition with some 300 club boys in the South Plains District. He raised a total of 5,500 pounds of lint cotton on five acres . . . The Silverton FFA Livestock Judging Team hit the jackpot at Pampa Tuesday. With Sam Turner winning two high individual ribbons, Silverton won over 49 teams. By outscoring Frenship by one point, 111 to 110, the boys brought home a beautiful 18-inch silver loving cup . . . Adron Lee Gamble, son of Frank William and Loretta May Gamble, is completing his Air Force basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base . . . Mmes. G. A. Elrod, Ray C. Bomar, Bud McMinn and Jim Clemmer attended a district nine BWC Federation meeting Saturday at Slaughter Center at Wayland College in Plainview . . .

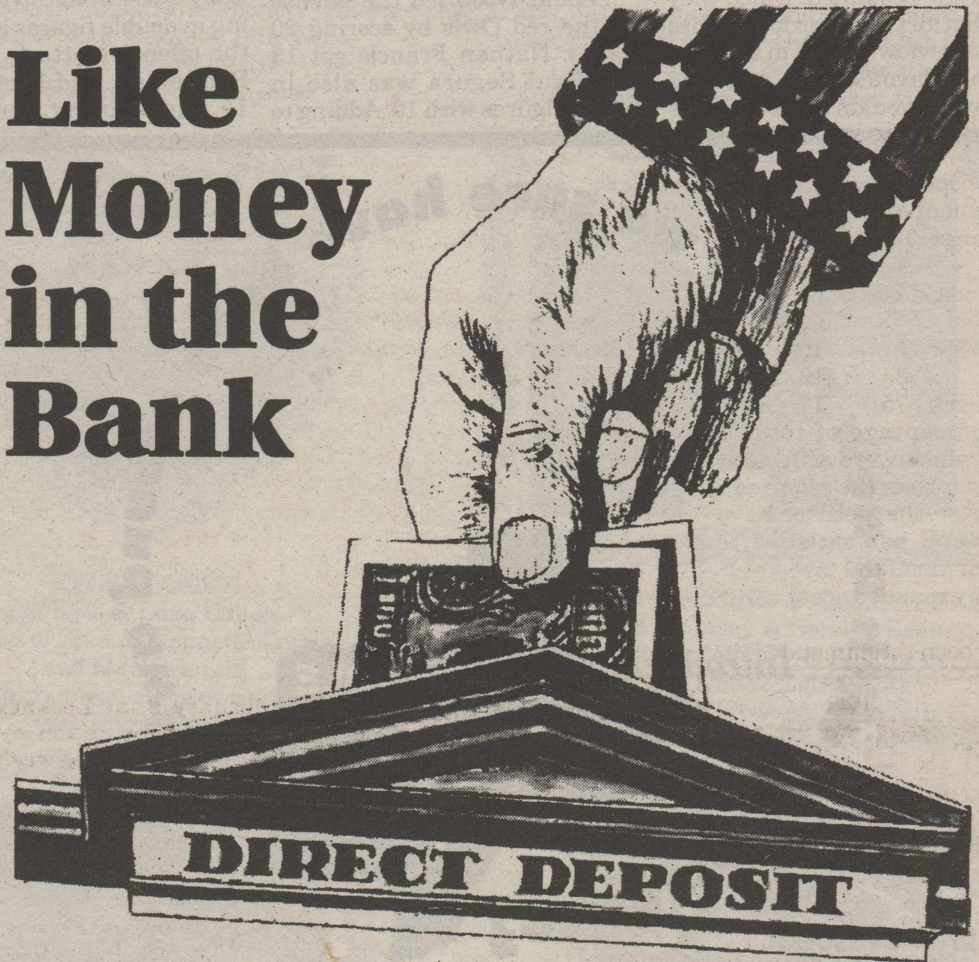
Mrs. Grace Cox and Latresa, Mr. and Mrs. Berton Hughes, Robert and Randy, and Sam Brown had lunch in Tulia and visited the museum in Canyon Sunday afternoon . . . Mr. and Mrs. Harold Seefeldt and children visited her mother, Mrs. Grady Wimberly, from Thursday through Sunday . . . Mr. and Mrs. Fred Strange and Ronnie visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Poole, in Floydada on Sunday . . . Mr. and Mrs. Bill May and son of Canyon visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. E. May, and other relatives here a few days last week . . . Jack Fleming of Friona and K. N. Fleming were in Phoenix, Arizona early this

week to attend the horse races . . .
February 13, 1947-Mr. and Mrs. Jord Hollingsworth and children were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Baird . . . Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Lanham have moved to their new home west of the Post Office . . . Mrs. C. L. McWilliams and Mrs. Curtis Bingham and daughter visited with Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Gerdes and daughter in Tulia Sunday

afternoon . . . Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Stephens of Hobbs, New Mexico are visiting this week with Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Yates and W. A. Stephens . . . Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Nance and son, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Rampley and son of Canyon and Mr. and Mrs. Billy MacBiffle were Sunday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mack Walker . . . Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hardin went to Lubbock Monday to take their daughter, Joyce, who is attend-

ing Texas Tech . . . Mrs. Carver Monroe entertained with a "42" party Wednesday evening, honoring her father-in-law, J. W. Monroe, on his 70th birthday . . . Saturday evening a group of relatives and friends surprised Mr. and Mrs. James Davis with a house warming in their new home six miles south of Silverton . . . Mrs. Virgil Ballard entertained with a turkey dinner in her home Sunday . . .

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Owl Teams Received District Trophies At Conclusion of Last Home Game Tuesday

Silverton's Owls and Lady Owls received their district championship trophies here Tuesday night of last week at the conclusion of their games with Hedley, which was their last home appearance of the season.

The Lady Owls finished as the undefeated district champions by virtue of a forfeit from Lakeview for Friday night. The Owls cinched the championship for themselves by defeating Hedley even though one game with Lakeview remained. Since they had won all their previous games and Lakeview wasn't in the race for the playoffs, even a loss to Lakeview wouldn't cost the Owls

the championship.

This leaves the Groom and Hedley teams to duke it out for second place and the other spot in the playoff picture. Hedley boys beat Groom their first time around, and should Groom beat Hedley in their second meeting a playoff for second place in the district would be necessary.

The locals swept the three-game series from Hedley, with the junior varsity Owls leading off the action with a 60-49 win.

Leland Wood led the offense for the red Owls by scoring 20 points. Nathan Francis got 13 and Paul Segura was also in double figures with 10. Adding to

the score were Jordan Sarchet, nine; Will Hester, four; Bert Garza and Max Whitworth, two points each.

The Owls trailed at the end of the first three quarters: 10-14, 28-31, 43-45, much like they did in their first meeting; however, they poured enough points into the basket in the fourth quarter and played good enough defense to turn the score around and take the victory.

The next game belonged to the Lady Owls from Silverton. Scoring in double figures and leading the offensive attack were Dara Ramsey, 16, and Lacy Brunson, 15. Also scoring were Lindsey

Weeks, seven; Misty Wilkinson, five; Michelle Warren and Kenzie Burson, four points each; Sara Kirchoffner, two points.

The red ladies led at the end of each quarter: 16-3, 34-15, 38-21, 53-32.

It wasn't the prettiest game the Lady Owls have played, but it was very effective in ending their regular season on a high note. The girls honored their two senior players, Kimmie Blazier and Terri Chitwood, with flower and balloon bouquets.

The red Owls had to work a lot harder to put away the green Owls than they did in their first meeting. They led at the end of each quarter: 13-12, 31-26, 50-41, 75-61, but the Hedley boys shoot well and just kept on coming to the baskets.

Jack Cherry led the offense by ripping the cords with 26 points, while Brandon Sarchet scored 18; Trey Wyatt, 15; Jared Holt, 12. Jeremy Holt and Jay Arnold rang up two points each.

In the three games, shots from downtown were hit by Jordan Sarchet, Leland Wood, Misty Wilkinson, Lindsey Weeks, one each; Jack Cherry, two; Trey Wyatt, three; Dara Ramsey and Brandon Sarchet, four each.

This was the last home game for senior Owls, Arnold Garza, Jon Ivory and Brandon Sarchet.

Owls Win Final Game of Season

Silverton's Owls drove to Lakeview Friday night and won their final game of the regular season, making them the undefeated district champions for the second year in a row.

Scoring was balanced among the players who were led by Jack Cherry's 24-point effort; Trey Wyatt, 21, and Brandon Sarchet, 18. Adding to the score were Jeremy Holt and Arnold Garza, eight points each; Jared Holt, six; Jay Arnold, three; Nathan Francis, two points.

The Owls led at the end of each quarter: 25-15, 50-32, 66-40, 90-63.

The Lady Owls had received a forfeit from the Lakeview ladies, and played a game with the Bible Heritage Lady Eagles.

Lacy Brunson led the offense by scoring 20 points, and joining her in double figures were Misty Wilkinson, 12; Dara Ramsey and Michelle Warren, 10 points each. Also scoring were Shauna Kingery, eight; Lindsey Weeks, seven; Sara Kirchoffner and Kenzie Burson, four points each; Kimmie Blazier, two points.

The Lady Owls held big leads at the end of each quarter: 25-10, 50-14, 68-23, 80-40.

The Lady Owls are the undefeated district champions for the second year in a row, and will be entering the state playoffs tonight.

Third Birthday Celebrated Sunday

Derrik Smith celebrated his third birthday Sunday afternoon.

4-H'ers Do Well At Fort Worth Livestock Show

by Rebel L. Royall, CEA-Ag
Briscoe County Extension Agent

Fifteen Briscoe County 4-H'ers recently participated in the 101st Fort Worth Livestock Show held at the Will Rogers Memorial Center in Fort Worth.

In the market steer division, Kenda Wood's American Breed Cross placed fifth in his class. Judge Dave Duello, from Miniature, Nebraska, conceded that she exhibited the heaviest muscled steer in the class. Other 4-H'ers who participated in the Steer Show were Leland Wood, Monty Wood, Molly Brooks and Teal Bennett.

In the swine barn, Ryan Minyard's light-weight Yorkshire placed second. Brother Eric's middle-weight Berkshire was sixth. Tanner Young's light-weight Duroc was 22nd and Tyler's Hampshire was 16th. Tate Bennett finished out the placing in hogs with a 12th place middle-weight Poland China. Other swine exhibitors were Katy and Will Hester, Jenny Young, Joe Warner and Jeremy Hughes.

These 4-H members represented Briscoe County in a fine way and we are very proud of each of them.

Next trip for Briscoe County 4-H'ers is the San Antonio Livestock Exposition.

Contributions Made To Organizations

The Century of Progress Study Club recently distributed proceeds from the 1996 Christmas Greeting Page to the Silverton Volunteer Ambulance Service, Silverton Volunteer Fire Department, and Briscoe County Library. Other local projects are included in the club's budget for the 1997 calendar year.

Club members were well pleased with the results of the project and thank each one who participated in it. Your donations to a local non-profit group instead of sending 1996 Christmas cards keeps the money at home to support worthy causes, as well as sending greetings to friends and loved ones during the holiday season. You are to be commended for your cooperation.

Win Owls, Lady Owls!

Those enjoying his party were his grandparents, Lynn and Connie Smith and Willie Ramirez; his great-grandparents, Marie Purcell of Quitaque, Glenn and Winnie Smith; a host of uncles, aunts, cousins and friends.

His birthday cake with "Toy Story" decoration, ice cream and punch were served by his parents, Jeff and Sonya Smith, who hosted the party.



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And members of the former Caprock-Plains FLBA will find one added benefit of the merger — a capital distribution of over \$2 million, made possible because of our combined financial strength. It's our way of saying thanks to our members for doing business the cooperative way, with FLBA.

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Information Given By New Sheriff

Sheriff Jerry Beck has extended an apology to the citizens of Briscoe County for the lack of information he has dispensed from his office, and is answering a few questions that he considers are of most concern.

He made the following statements:

First, our deputy, Max Whitworth, has moved to Silver-

ton from Tulia where he worked as an officer for the Tulia-Police Department for four years. Max has been in law enforcement for over eight years. His wife, Val, works at the Texas Department of Corrections in Tulia. They have three sons, Max, jr. and Gary, who live at home and attend the Silverton Schools. Dusty, his wife, Carrie, and son,

Ryan, live in Tulia. Also of concern is contacting the department personnel. All emergency calls should be directed to 911. All other calls concerning sheriff's department business should be made to 823-2135 between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Any non-emergency calls can be made to 847-7068 for sheriff and 847-7069 for deputy after 5:00 p.m. It is very important to use 911 for emergencies because valuable time is wasted if there is no answer or a problem in locating one of us. The 911 dispatches directly via radio and we

are either with the radio or have made someone aware of where we can be contacted. The third-most commonly asked question is what changes we will make in how we enforce the law. Most changes will be in procedure. These changes should be minimal and are designed to be consistent and uniform in dealing with violators. Offenses against persons or property are our main concern. Assaults, theft, or endangering another are zero tolerance and every attempt to prosecute will be made. The law is designed to

protect the public. No one has the right to take what is yours. No one has the right to physically harm you. No one has the right to endanger you. Driving while intoxicated endangers everyone, including the person who drives while intoxicated. Our policy is no tolerance for DWI. Domestic assault has strict guidelines set down by law. Juvenile offenses have strict guidelines we must adhere to. We will always try to use discretion and give benefit of the doubt where possible. If you do not understand why we act in a particular situation as we do, ask; there may be underlying circumstances where discretion is not an option. I'm sure we will make some mistakes, offend some, and leave some in doubt. Come talk to us and we will try to reach a decision we can both be comfortable with. We value your friendship and appreciate your support and want only to do this job in a way that you can be proud of, Sheriff Beck concluded.

Happy Birthday To

February 13--David Gamble, Melissa Davis, Misti Mattheus
February 14--Jerry Patton, Brenda McDonough, Max D. Garrison, Scotti Sweet, Linda Hare, Daniel Reagan

February 15--Charles Francis, Michael Reagan, Stan Gamble, Gary Weaks, Angie Lewis

February 16--Shelby Marie Fuston, Dora Bullock, Jane Self, James Alan Patton, Greg Garcia, Katy Hester, Genie Lavy, Brent Brannon, Zeb Holt

February 17--Riley Ziegler, Vanessa Reyna, Patti Lowrance

February 18--Tomiko Hutsell, Craig Patton, Bill Boling, Molly Riddle, Amy Minyard, Grace Vaughan

February 19--Tyler Keith Ellison, Glenn Smith, Amy Jasper, Cathey Weaks, Carlye Fleming

Playoff Shirts On Sale Now

Owl playoff shirts will be on sale through February 15, and may be ordered by contacting Leigh Ann Dutton or any high school cheerleader. Call her at home, 823-2086, or call the school office, 823-2476.

The shirts need to be paid for when ordered.

Style A is a gray sweatshirt with gold stitching around OWLS on a red plaid flannel background. SILVERTON appears below on a plaid background with red stitching on the edges. This shirt is \$25.00 and comes in adult sizes only.

Style B features a red plaid flannel S with OWLS written across the bottom and with gold stitching around the outside. This gray shirt is \$30.00 and comes in adult sizes only.

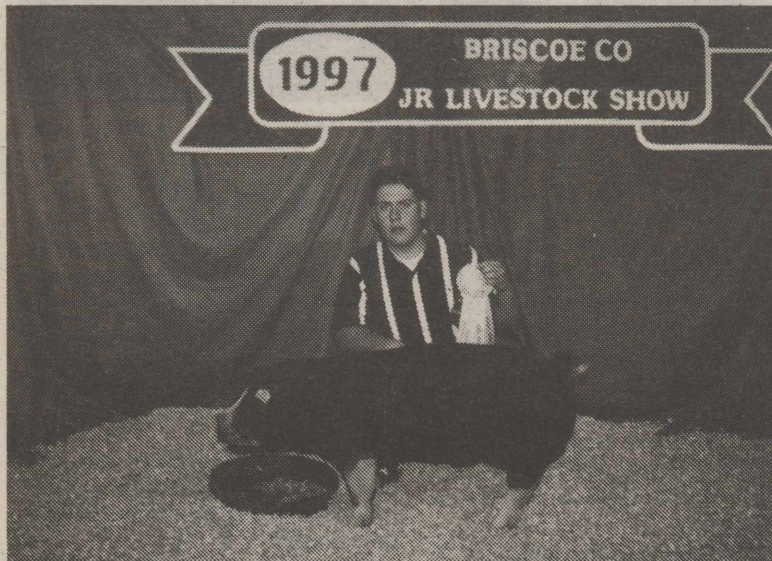
Style C is a T-shirt that sells for \$15.00. This is a gray short-sleeved shirt with the same red plaid flannel S and OWLS written across the bottom. This shirt comes in youth sizes only.



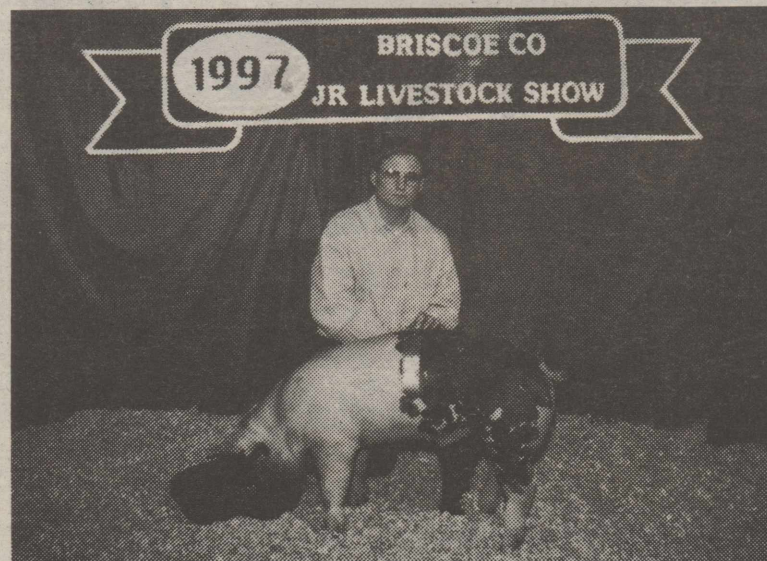
Silverton FFA member Amanda Kernell showed her Reserve Champion Chester White and Reserve Champion Duroc Barrows at the Briscoe County Stock Show.



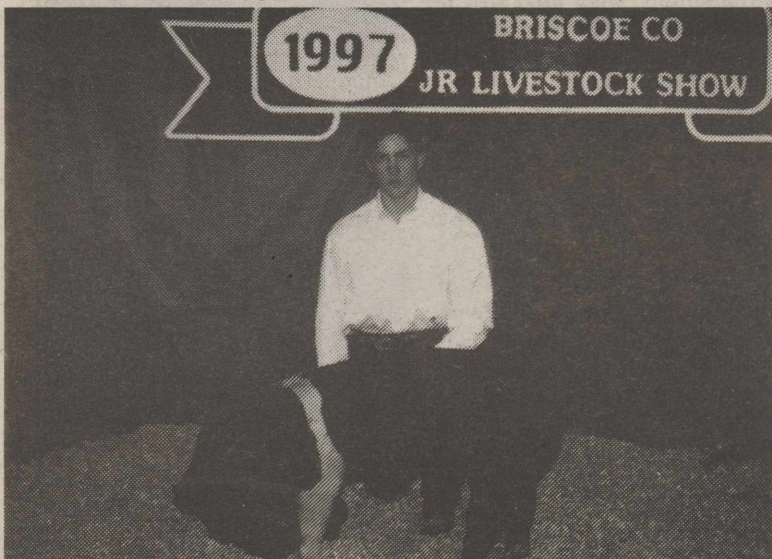
Nathan Francis was exhibitor of the Reserve Champion OPB Barrow at the Briscoe County Stock Show. He represented the Silverton FFA.



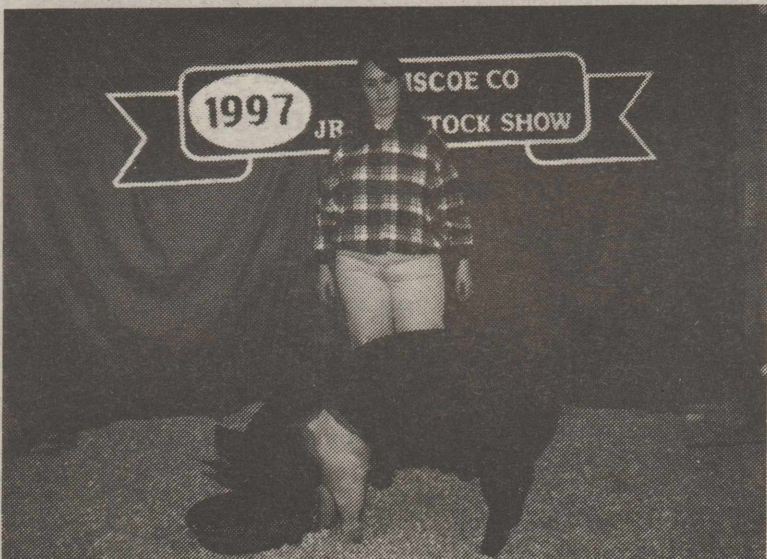
Billy Edwards represented the Silverton FFA chapter when he won the Reserve Champion awards for his Poland and Berkshire Barrows at the Briscoe County Stock Show.



Anthony Gamble was exhibitor of the first place Crossbred Barrow at the Briscoe County Stock Show. He is a member of Silverton FFA.



Charlie Bomar, a member of the Silverton FFA, showed the first place Hampshire Barrow at the Briscoe County Livestock Show.



Heidi Tiffin represented the Silverton FFA when she showed her first place Hampshire Barrow in the Briscoe County Stock Show.

Banking, Financial Skills To Be Taught To Students Here

In the past, people have had to go to banks as customers to learn about banking. Times have changed—First State Bank of Silverton and Laura Long, Spanish and Economics teacher, are join-

ing forces to teach banking and basic financial skills to the young adults in this community.

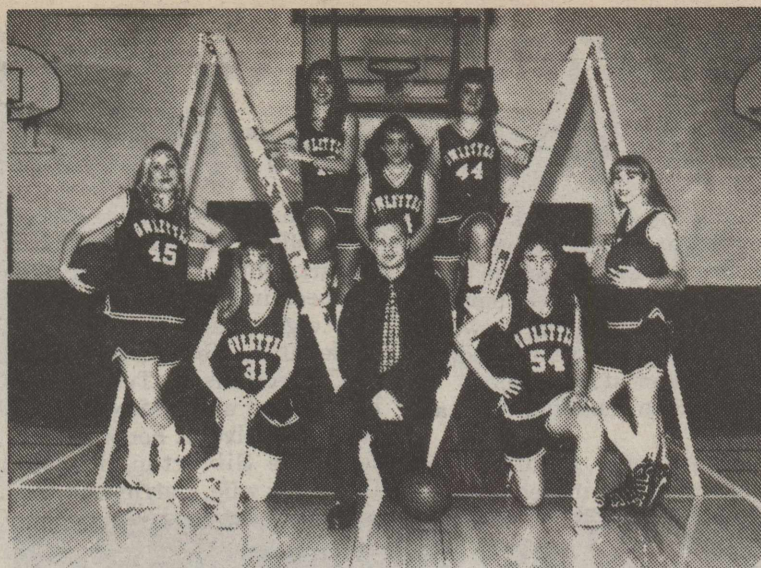
The "Banking Is..." supplemental materials were presented by Madeline Stone and Morris

Wilcox of First State Bank as a public service to Laura Long and Brandon Sarchet, Silverton High School senior, on behalf of the students at Silverton High School on February 6, 1997.

The "Banking Is..." program provides students with the survival skills in financial management they will need and use throughout their lives. Writing checks, constructing a budget, applying for loans, computing interest and using other bank services are operations many adults take for granted; they have performed these functions most of their lives; however, these activities must be learned.

Many adults learned banking by trial and error with no formal training; however, in today's world of advancing technology, this is no longer a satisfactory method. Students should have this knowledge upon high school graduation, but statistics show that less than 85% of high school graduates can properly write a check.

First State Bank hopes sponsorship of these classroom study materials will give students a more thorough and systematic understanding of these basic banking activities, the new banking services that are available



Junior Varsity Lady Owls are pictured counterclockwise from their coach, Jared Davis: Lisa Comer, Kimmie Blazier, Dara Johnston, Kenda Wood, Lindsey Jennings, Sharyl McMurtrey, Misti Mattheus.
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Junior Varsity Owls have won all their district games this year and are ready to assist the varsity when needed. They are (standing, left to right) Coach Clyde Parham, Max Whitworth, Jordan Sarchet, Will Hester, Nathan Francis; (kneeling) Ryan Minyard, Paul Segura, Bert Garza and Leland Wood.
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and the management of their own financial responsibilities. In addition to the student-teacher classroom study, Glenda Couch will give a presentation to the Economics class and the students will tour the bank to see its operations.

First State Bank strongly believes that as students become more confident in their knowledge and practice of financial management, they also will become better educated consumers who will take their places in the financial community.

The best sea shells can be found during the night or in the early morning hours at low tide.

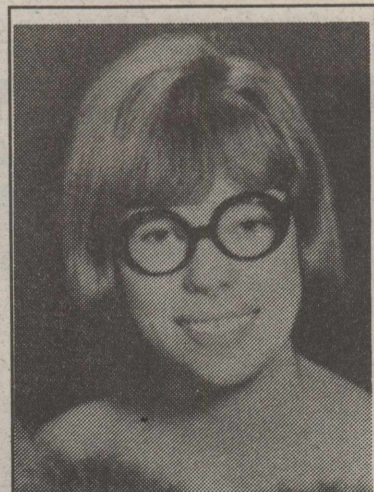
An American aircraft carrier can reach over a fifth of a mile long and carry close to a hundred planes.

New Arrival

John and Glenda Nalle of Lubbock are parents of a son, Jacob Ryan, born February 11. He weighed nine pounds and three ounces, and measured 21 1/2" long at birth.

Two brothers, Garrot and Maxwell, are welcoming him into the family.

Grandparents are Clifford and Helen Youngquist of Lubbock, and the great-grandmother is Louise Vaughan of Silverton.



**Happy Birthday,
Darlin'**

from You Know Who



Eighth Grade Owls have lost only two games this season and will be going into high school ready to play next year. They are (standing, left to right) Tyler Young, Daniel Castillo, Adrian Ramirez, Gary Whitworth, Martin Younger, Coach Donnie Dutton; (kneeling) Virgil Gossett, Issac Garcia, Clint Ivory, Isaiah Ivory.
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American Heart Fund News Notes

Briscoe County Heart Association Chairman Faye Rampley reports that contributions are coming in daily from all areas of the county in response to the recent mailings completed by the Century of Progress Study Club. As usual, literature supplied by the American Heart Association to solicit your donations and memorial donations in memory of loved ones, has been well received by residents of Briscoe County. February has been designated as "Heart Fund Month" for a special drive to collect much-needed funds, but donations are accepted throughout the year.

Mrs. Rampley enjoys doing this volunteer work and requests that you continue to send your donations to Box 597, Silverton, Texas 79257. In the case of memorials, please include your complete mailing address, and the name and address of the person who is to receive the sympathy card and notification of your gift.

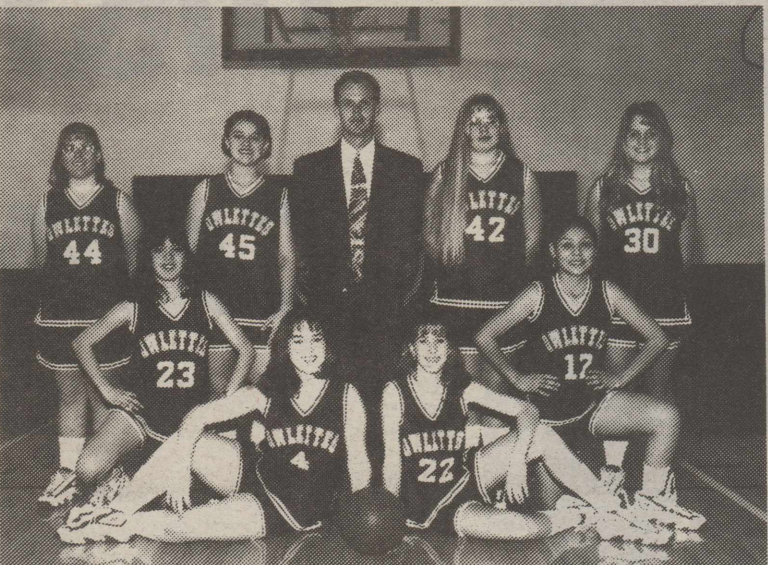
The American Heart Association is dedicated to the prevention of premature death and disability from cardiovascular diseases, including heart attack and stroke. Please continue to give the Association your support through 1977.



If you don't have a regular steamer pan, you can improvise using a Dutch oven or large saucepan with a tight-fitting cover. Place a wire rack in the pan about one or two inches from the bottom, or balance it on custard cups.



The Seventh Grade Owls have won all but three of their games this year, and have provided a lot of excitement for their fans. They are (standing, left to right) Coach Donnie Dutton, Jimmy Castillo, Ismael Alvarez, Andrew Francis, Clay McMurtrey; (kneeling) J.R. Gonzalez, Nicholas Vargas, Matt Strange and Danny Dunn.
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Eighth Grade Lady Owls have won most of their games this season. They are (standing, left to right) Katy Hester, Vicki Van Horn, Coach Joe Crabb, Kendra Rhoderick, Brooke Garvin; (kneeling) Cathryn Reyna, Diana Garza; (sitting) Julia Weaver, Taylor Griffin.
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Seventh Grade Lady Owls have finished their season with only one loss this year and won first place in the Lazbuddie Tournament. They are (standing, left to right) Brandi Rice, Crystal Riojas, Coach Joe Crabb, Elisabeth Thomas, Andrea Barraza; (kneeling) Rachel Vangraefscheppe, Amy Maciel, Kurby Garvin; (sitting) Molly Sarchet, Amanda Estes, Laura Gray, Chelsey Cherry.
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The varsity Lady Owls and their coach, Joe Crabb, are proud of their new District Championship trophy and the fact that they won it without losing any conference game. They are entering the State Playoffs on a high note and will be playing Samnorwood at Clarendon College at 7:00 p.m. today (Thursday). Pictured clockwise beginning with Coach Crabb are Sara Kirchoffner, Misty Wilkinson, Lindsey Weaks, Terri Chitwood, Lacy Brunson, Shauna Kingery, Kenzie Burson, Dara Ramsey and Michelle Warren. R Photography Photo

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DISTRICT CHAMPIONS



The varsity Owls have repeated as the District Champions this year, and once again were not defeated in the conference campaign. They will be entering the State Playoffs after playing some warm-up games. Pictured with their coach, Donnie Dutton (left), they are Jeremy Holt, Brandon Sarchet, Arnold Garza, Jared Holt, Trey Wyatt, Jack Cherry, Jon Ivoy, Jay Arnold, Leland Wood and Will Hester.

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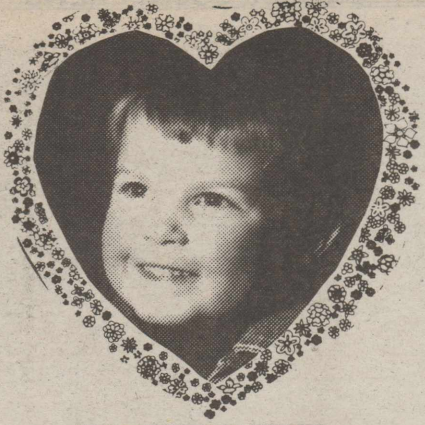
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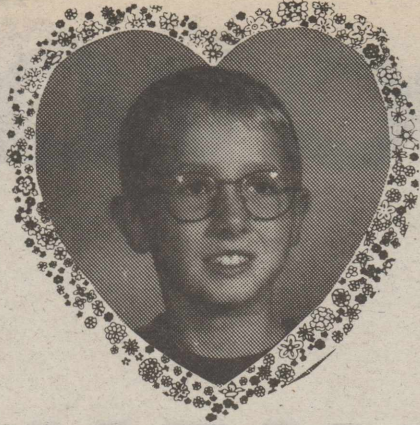
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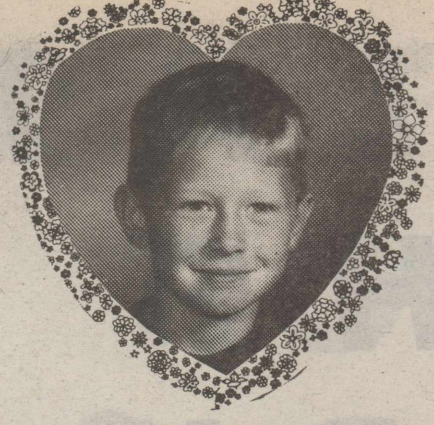
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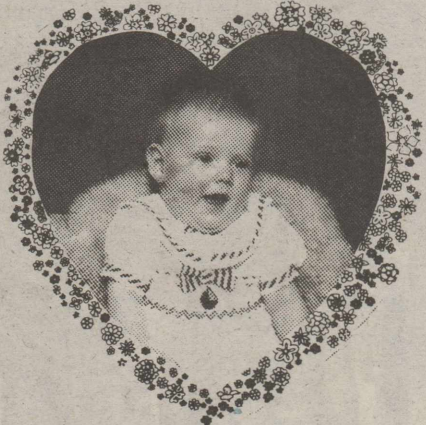
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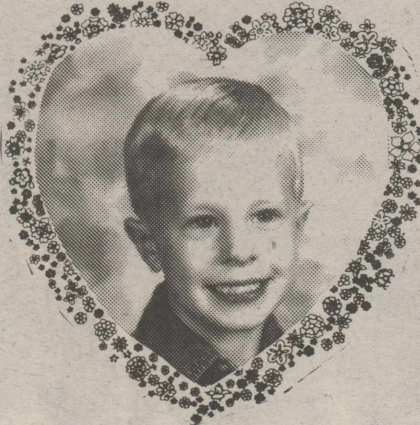
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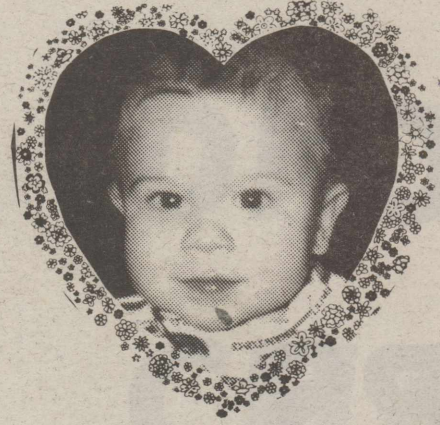
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Mr. & Mrs. Fred Edwards, Mr. & Mrs. Gale Stafford



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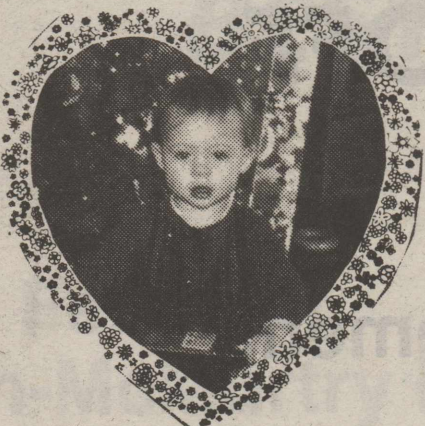
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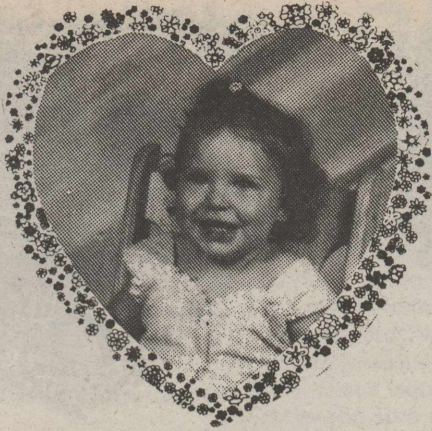
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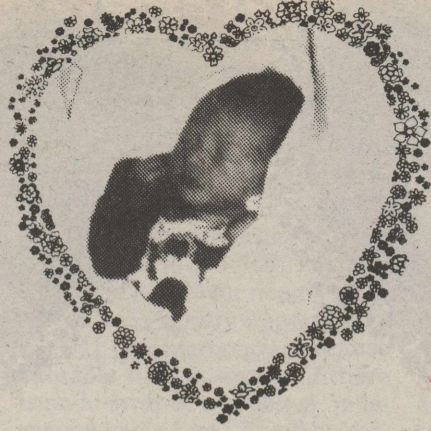
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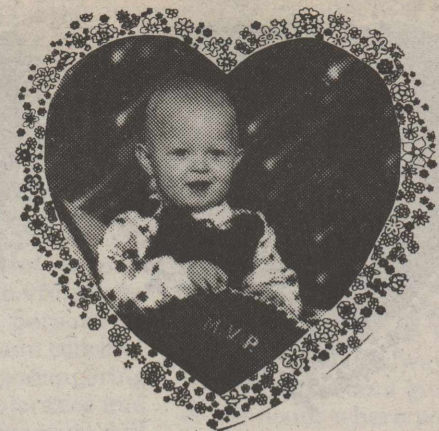
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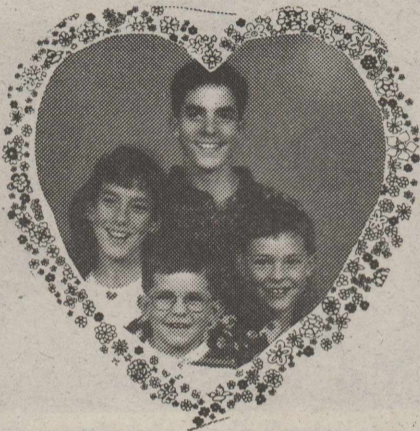
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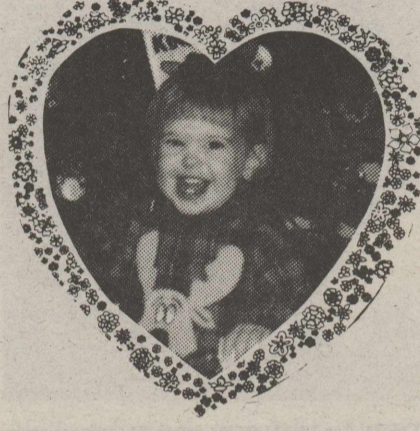
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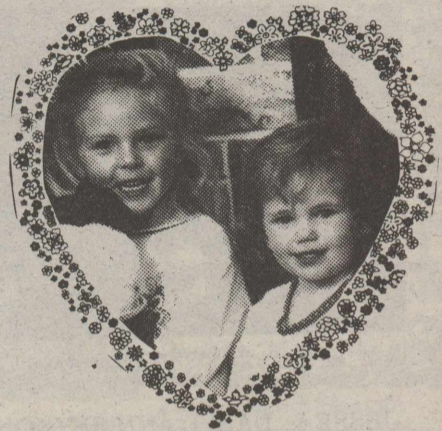
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Elizabeth & A. Walker Estes
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Katherine Smith, Martha Estes
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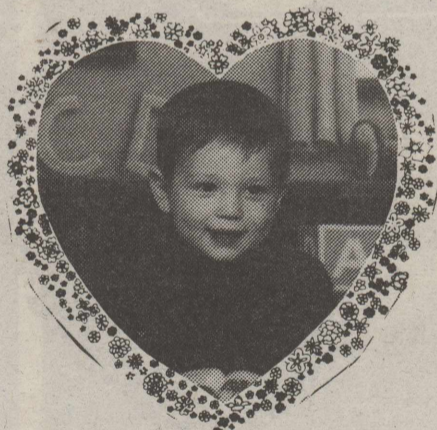
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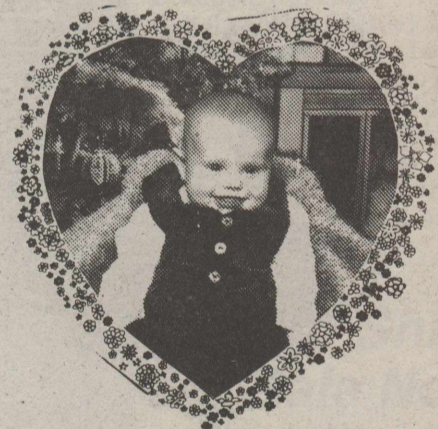
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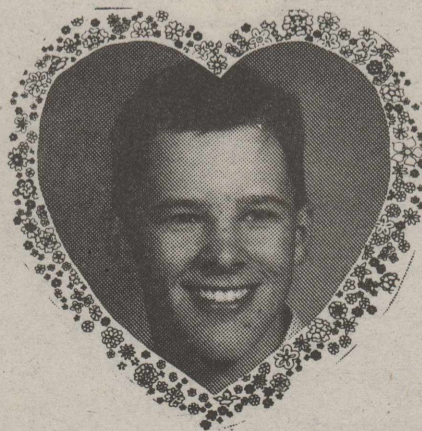
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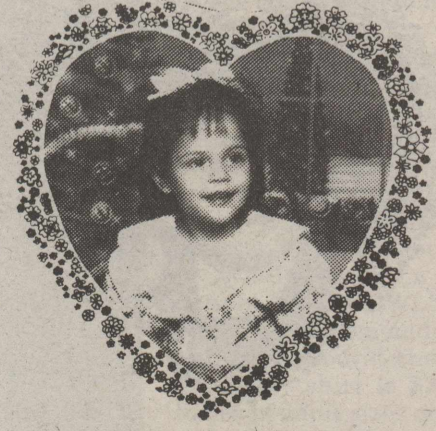
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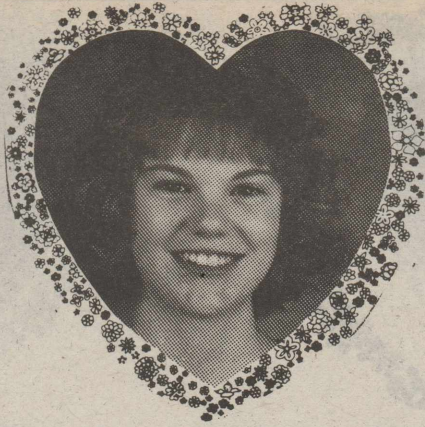
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Mary H. Valdez, Arunlfo Valdez
Great-great-granddaughter of Josie Cerbantes



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Granddaughter of Ethelyn May
and Helen Allen



KATIE MAY
Daughter of Alvin & Kathy May
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and Helen Allen



MARGARET MAY
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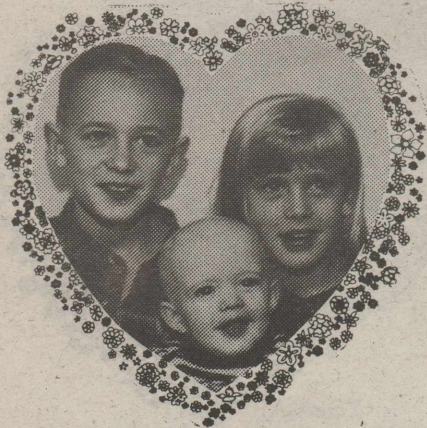
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Thelma & Glen Bailey, Ellison & Ruth Williams
Great-grandchildren of Bernice Reynolds,
Ruby Jackson and Harold Rousser



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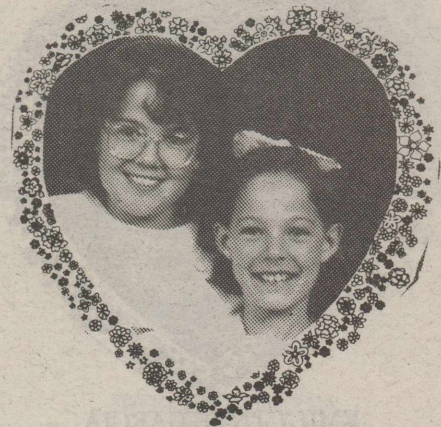
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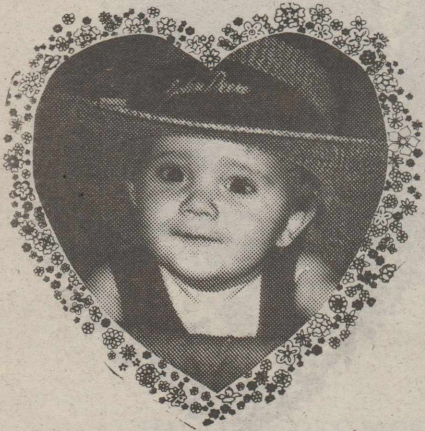
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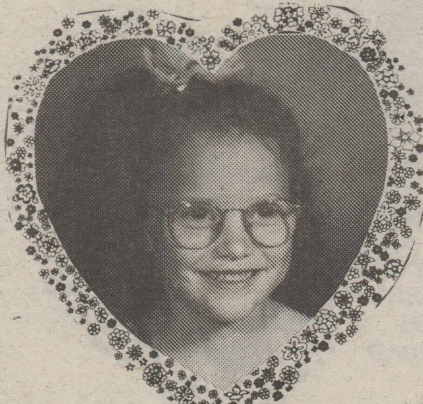
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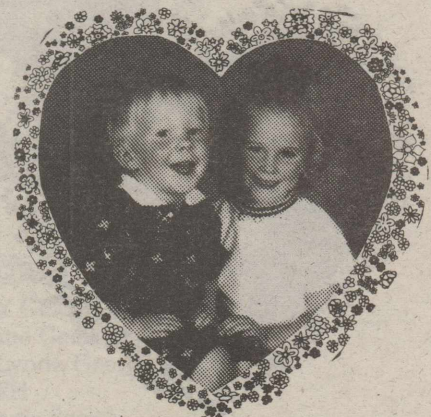
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STEVEN BLAKE JASPER
Son of Steven & Brenda Jasper
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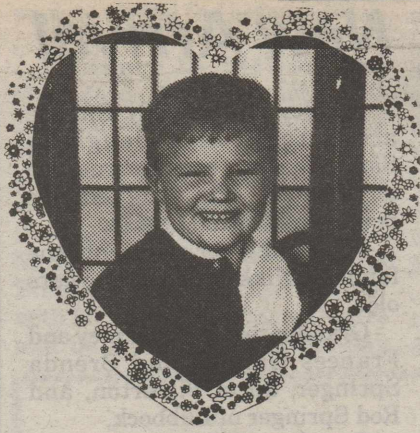
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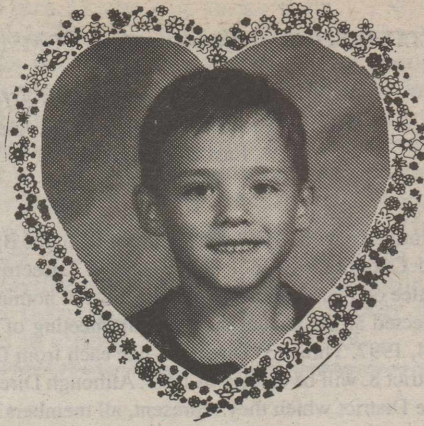
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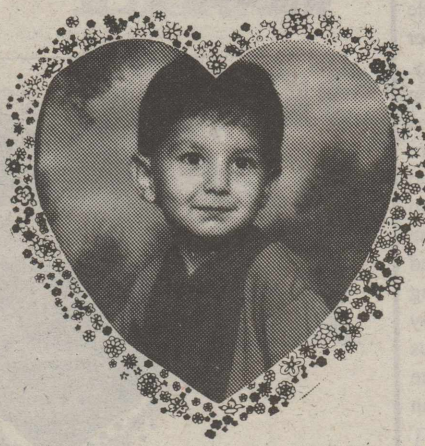
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 Lallie Patton, Bill & Faye Partin,
 Annabell Eller, Evelyn & Macon Ulmer



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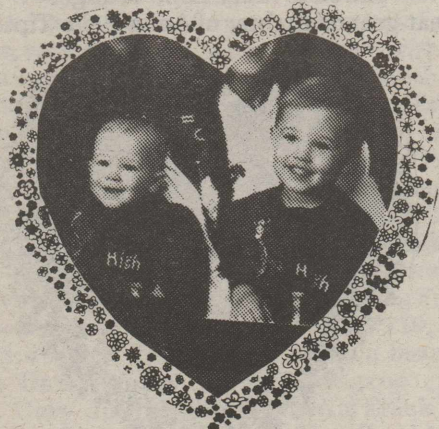
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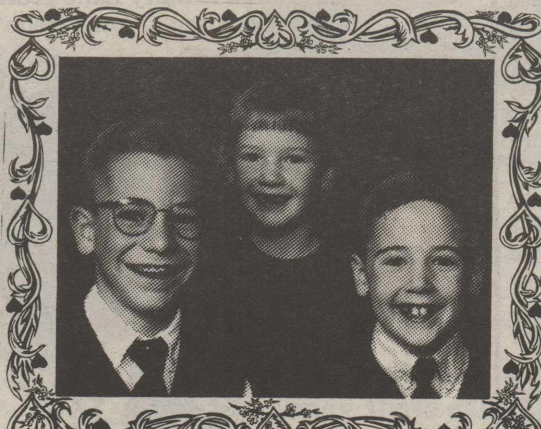
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 Bernard & Eunice Pearson, Hazel Totzke



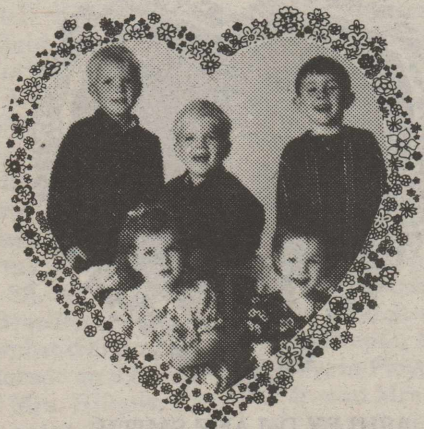
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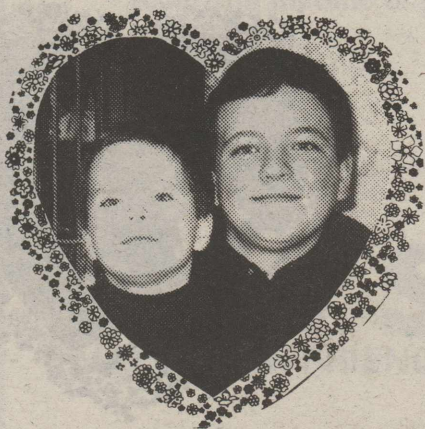
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 and Margaret Gower



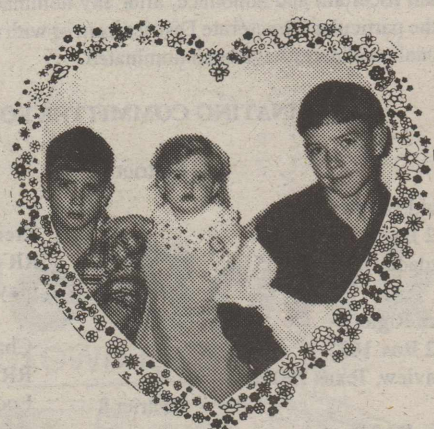
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 Grandchildren of Floyd & Jerry Perkins



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 Grandsons of Bob & Mary Ann Rauch
 Great-grandsons of Dora Rauch



NATHAN, AUBRI & CHAD PERRY
 Children of Billie & Vicki Perry
 Grandchildren of Louise Ingle,
 Harvey & Patricia McJimsey

OFFICIAL NOTICE OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEETING

10:00 a.m. February 13, 1997
 Lighthouse Electric Cooperative, Inc. Headquarters
 East U.S. Highway 70
 Floydada, Texas

In accordance with Article IV. Section 4.06 of the Bylaws of Lighthouse Electric Cooperative, Inc., the Board of Directors has appointed a Committee on Nominations to prepare a list of nominations for Directors to be elected at the annual membership meeting of the Cooperative on April 24, 1997. Three (3) Directors, one each from District 2, District 5, and District 8, will be elected in 1997. Although Directors are nominated from the District which they represent, all members in attendance at the annual meeting vote on all candidates who may be properly nominated.

SECTION 4.02 QUALIFICATIONS:

No person shall be eligible to become or remain a director of the Cooperative who is a close relative of an incumbent director or an employee of the Cooperative, or is not a member in good standing of the Cooperative and receiving service within the District he represents; PROVIDED, that the operating or chief executive of any member which is not a natural person, such as a corporation, church, etc., or his designee, shall be eligible to become a director, from the Directorate District in which such member is located, if he or such designee (1) is in substantial permanent occupancy, direction or use of the premises served by the Cooperative, and (2) is a permanent and year-round resident within or in close proximity to an area served by the Cooperative; BUT PROVIDED FURTHER, that no more than one (1) such person may serve on the Board of Directors at the same time. No person shall be eligible to become or remain a director of, or to hold any other position of trust in, the Cooperative who does not have the legal capacity to enter into a binding contract or is in any way employed by or financially interested in a competing enterprise, or a business selling electric energy or supplies to the Cooperative, or a business primarily engaged in selling electrical or plumbing appliances, fixtures or supplies to, among others, the members of the Cooperative. No person shall take or hold office as a Director who is the incumbent of or candidate for an elective public office in connection with which a salary is paid.

SECTION 4.05 DIRECTORATE DISTRICTS

The territory served by the Cooperative shall be divided into nine (9) Directorate Districts. Each District shall be represented by one director and the Districts are described upon the map on the territory served by the District attached to the Bylaws and made a part hereof.

SECTION 4.06 NOMINATIONS

It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors to appoint, not less than thirty (30) days nor more than one hundred eighty (180) days prior to the date of the meeting of the members at which directors are to be elected, a Committee on Nominations, consisting of not less than five (5) nor more than eleven (11) members. The Committee shall prepare and post at the principal office of the Cooperative at least twenty (20) days prior to the meeting a list of nominations for directors to be elected, listing separately the nominee(s) for each Directorate District from or with respect to which director must, pursuant to this Article, be elected at the meeting. The Committee may include as many nominees for any director to be elected from or with respect to a Directorate District as it deems desirable. Any fifteen (15) or more members of the Cooperative, acting together, may make additional nominations in writing over their signatures, listing their nominees(s) in like manner, not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the meeting, and the Secretary shall post such nominations at the same place where the list of nominations made by the Committee is posted. The Secretary shall mail to the members with the notice of the meeting, or separately, but at least ten (10) days prior to the date of the meeting, a statement of the names and addresses of all nominee(s) for each Directorate District from or with respect to which a director must be elected, showing clearly those nominated by the Committee and those nominated by petition, if any. The chairman at such meeting, after all nominations so made have been duly announced, shall call for additional nominations from the floor and shall ascertain and announce, after any nominations made from the floor, the particular Directorate District from or with respect to which any additional candidates have been nominated.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR 1997

District 2	
Harold Bertrand RR 2 Box 65 Floydada, Texas 79235	Kreis McIntosh RR 4 Box 89 Floydada, Texas 79235
District 5	
Bruce Rigler RR 2 Box 162 Plainview, Texas 79072	Charles Huffman RR 1 Box 145 Lockney, Texas 79241
District 8	
Eddie Braidfoot RR 2 Box 143 Memphis, Texas 79245	Milton Beasley RR 2 Box 124 Memphis, Texas 79245

New Arrival

Stanley and Brandy Gamble are parents of a daughter, Samantha Jo, born February 5 at Lockney. She weighed five pounds and seven ounces.

Welcoming her sister into the family is Nikki, who is two years old.

Grandparents are Stanley and Frances Gamble and Brenda Springer, all of Silverton, and Rod Springer of Lubbock.

Great-grandparent are Frances Edwards and Loretta Gamble, both of Silverton; Bill Rackley and Ruth Springer of Lubbock.

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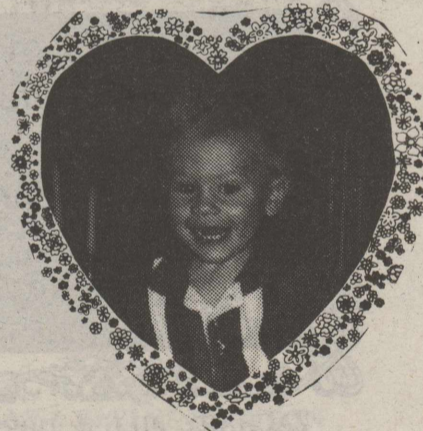
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 Son of Gary & Susie Younger
 Grandson of David & Reba Tipton,
 Aaron & Mary Lane Younger
 Great-grandson of Anna Belle Tipton



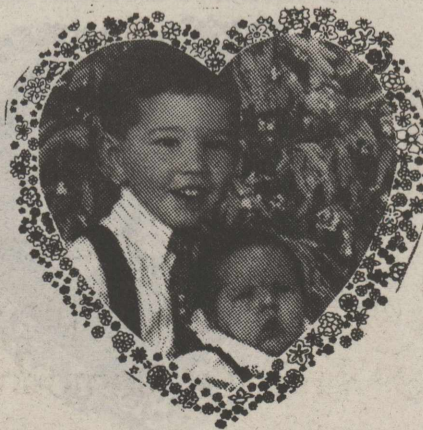
ANNA YOUNGER
 Daughter of Gary & Susie Younger
 Granddaughter of David & Reba Tipton,
 Aaron & Mary Lane Younger
 Great-granddaughter of Anna Belle Tipton



IAN KIRK DUNBAR
 Son of Clipper & Kelly Dunbar
 Grandson of C. D. & Betty Kirk
 Great-grandson of Iris Burson



HALEY LEIGH DUNBAR
 Daughter of Clipper & Kelly Dunbar
 Granddaughter of C. D. & Betty Kirk
 Great-granddaughter of Iris Burson



BRET & MAEGAN DUE
 Grandchildren of Clipper & Kelly Dunbar



ASHLEY DeLANE SMITH
 Daughter of Bill & DeLane Smith
 Granddaughter of Dean & Lane Davis,
 Mike & Margaret Smith
 Great-granddaughter of Ione Cushing

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ASSEMBLY OF GOD**

SUNDAY;
 Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
 Morning Worship..11:00 a.m.
 Evening Worship.. 6:00 p.m.
 WEDNESDAY;
 Bible Study..... 7:00 p.m.

**SILVERTON
CHURCH OF CHRIST**

Ted Kingery, 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

Jess Craig Little, Pastor

SUNDAY;
 Library Opens.....9:15 a.m.
 Bible Study/S.S.....10:00 a.m.
 Morning Worship...10:30 a.m.
 Evening Worship.... 6:00 p.m.
 SECOND & FOURTH
 TUESDAYS;
 Baptist Women..... 9:30 a.m.
 WEDNESDAY;
 Library Opens..... 6:30 p.m.
 Bible Study/Prayer.. 7:00 p.m.

**SILVERTON UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH**

Rev. Randy Thomas, Pastor

SUNDAY;
 Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
 Worship Service....11:00 a.m.
 Evening Service.... 6:00 p.m.
 SECOND SUNDAY;
 Praise & Worship.... 6:00 p.m.
 TUESDAY;
 Unit. Meth. Women.. 9:30 a.m.
 WEDNESDAY;
 Choir Practice..... 5:00 p.m.
 In-home Bible Study.7:00 p.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 Cl. ...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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WERE ALWAYS LED BY GOD'S
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The leaders of our nation have always had to face many seemingly insurmountable problems, both at home and abroad; so many, in fact, that we wonder why they ever wanted the job. Moreover, no matter what solutions they proposed, they always received a mixture of praise and criticism at best. However, since they knew in advance to expect this, it is all the more to their credit that they were willing to take on the often thankless assignment. They differed in their philosophies and in many other ways, but they all had one thing in common: they prayed for God's guidance to help them make the right decisions, knowing that their actions would affect our nation's destiny for years to come. At our House of Worship, concerned with only the destiny of our own families, we would nonetheless do well to follow their example.

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Pvt. Leal Completes Marine Boot Camp

Pvt. Johnny G. Leal has completed Marine Corps Boot Camp in San Diego, California. He completed 63 training days which included academics, history, rifle marksmanship, water survival, first aid, close combat skills and marching.

Leal also completed the new crucible, a 54-hour exercise with two meals and five hours sleep.

Son of Juanita Leal, he is a 1996 graduate of Silverton High School and will be stationed in North Carolina for construction and utilities where he will receive his journeyman status.

'Sophie's Saloon' Tickets Available

Experience the Amarillo Opera and their presentation of the highly-acclaimed cowboy-comedy-musical "Sophie's Saloon" at Clarendon College.

"Sophie's Saloon" will be performed at CC on Sunday, February 23, at 3:00 p.m. in the Harned Sisters Fine Arts Auditorium.

This humorous musical was written by Childress native, Gene Murray. No stranger to the stage, Murray appeared as "Uncle Henry" for 28 seasons in the outdoor drama "Texas."

"Sophie's Saloon" tickets are \$5.00, and may be purchased at the door or by calling Clarendon College at 1-800-874-3571. Tickets also are available at the Student Services Office in the CC Administration Building.

Scholarship Is Offered To College Student

Women Involved in Farm Economics (WIFE) and the Foundation for Ag Education and Development are again offering a scholarship for the 1997-98 school year. This scholarship is available to any woman who is a first- or second-year college student taking an agricultural course such as agronomy, ag economics, ag engineering, veterinary medicine, home or Extension agent, ag education or some other related field.

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