

Owls, Lady Owls In Tournament This Morning

Silverton's varsity Owls and Lady Owls will be playing in the Floydada Classic Tournament December 4-6.

First game for the Lady Owls will be at 10:00 a.m. with Hale Center, and the Owls will make their first appearance in the tournament at 11:30 a.m. against Hale Center.

The other teams in the tournament are Lorenzo, Clarendon, Spur, Smyer, Ralls and Floydada.

Owls, Lady Owls Going to New Deal Next Week

The varsity Owls and Lady Owls will be playing in a tournament at New Deal December 11-13.

First game for the Lady Owls will be with Crosbyton at 9:00 a.m. Thursday, December 11, and the Owls will play their first game with Crosbyton at 11:00 a.m. that day.

The other teams in the boys division are Spur, New Deal, Tahoka, Plains, Bovina, Springlake-Earth and Anton. The same teams are in the girls division, with the addition of the New Deal Junior Varsity team.

Go Owls & Lady Owls!

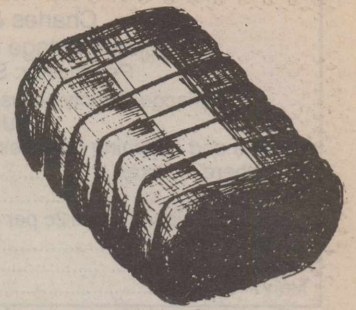
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Long - Time County Clerk to Retire; Bena Hester Asking To Succeed Her

Long-time County and District Clerk Bess McWilliams has announced plans to retire at the end of 1998 when her present term of office expires.

Mrs. McWilliams has served in the office for many years, as an unpaid employee while her husband, the late Dee McWilliams, served as County and District Clerk and for the last 23 years as the elected official. Before that, she worked 10 years in the office as deputy for the late Bertha Pavlicek.

Mary Jo Brannon Seeking County Treasurer's Office

Mary Jo Brannon has announced she will be a candidate for the office of Briscoe County Treasurer in the Democratic Primary in March.

Mrs. Brannon has lived in Briscoe County all of her life. She is married to Wade Brannon and they have two children, Jess and Lori. She has been employed as dispatcher/secretary for the Briscoe County Sheriff's Department for 11 years.

"I am familiar with county government and the duties of County Treasurer," Mrs. Brannon said. "I believe that I can be a dedicated employee of the people of Briscoe County."

"I will attempt to contact each resident of Briscoe County before the March Primary," Mrs. Brannon added.

Good Luck, Owls, Lady Owls

Caprock Jamboree Goes Onstage Here Saturday Night at Showbarn

Another great night of family entertainment has been scheduled for the Caprock Jamboree Saturday, December 6, beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the Showbarn in Silverton.

Out-of-town musicians performing will include "The Country Six" from Olton; "The Youngquist Brothers" from Lubbock; Gary House from Levelland, and Shannah Ford from Anton.

Also performing will be the houseband, The Country Sounds,

Bena Hester, Deputy County and District Clerk for Briscoe County, announced Wednesday that she will seek election in the 1998 Democratic Primary in March.

"I am very excited about running for office in Briscoe County," Mrs. Hester said. "I have worked in the County and District Clerk's office since February of 1995 and have been trained in all areas of the office."

"I'm delighted that Bena chose to run," Mrs. McWilliams said. "She's a wonderful employee, and she'll serve Briscoe County well." Mrs. Hester is a native of Briscoe County and is married to Rick Hester. They have two children, Will and Katy.

"I will try to contact all citizens of Briscoe County before the March primary. Your vote and influence will be greatly appreciated," she concluded.

Ed Norris Seeking Election as JP

Edwin Norris announced today as a candidate for Justice of the Peace, Briscoe County Precinct 1.

In making his announcement, Norris said, "I believe I have the experience and wisdom to serve well in this office. I promise only an administration with equality for all and favoritism to none. Your support would be appreciated."

Norris is a native of Silverton who lived in California much of his adult life. He and his wife, Ann, have returned here to make their home, and have actively entered community and church service and activities.

Floydada To Open Special Needs Unit For Alzheimer's Patient Care

A new 16-bed unit designed for the care and treatment of Alzheimer's Disease and other related disorders will open in late December at the newly-remodeled Floydada Nursing and Rehabilitation Center at 925 West Crockett.

Designed with the assistance of David M. Freed, Ph. D., director, Alzheimer's Disease Education Program at Texas Tech University, the unit will have the ability to accept those residents

Santa Letters Needed For Christmas Paper

Santa letters are needed for publication in the Christmas edition of the *Briscoe County News*.

A special arrangement has been made with Santa whereby all letters mailed or brought to the news office or mailed to the North Pole will be available for publication.

Letters may be mailed to Box 130 in Silverton or just to the North Pole.

All letters will be forwarded to Santa in plenty of time for all Christmas orders to be considered.

Buyers' Club To Meet Here Tonight

Silverton Buyers' Club will meet tonight (Thursday, December 4) at 7:30 in the County Courtroom.

All parents of students involved in Briscoe County Stock Show need to attend.

Cheerleaders To Do Gift Wrapping

Silverton's varsity cheerleaders would like to do your gift wrapping this holiday season.

To order, or for information, call Leigh Ann Dutton, 823-2086; Molly Brooks, 847-2559, or Lindsey Jennings, 823-2331, after 6:00 p.m.

Church Breakfast Is Cancelled

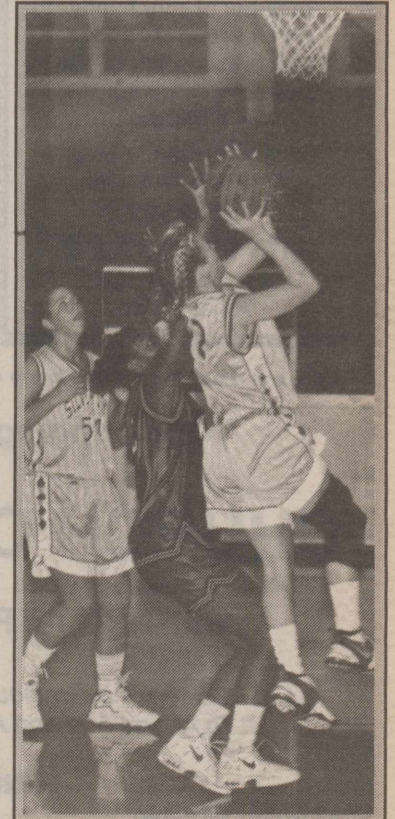
The breakfast that had been scheduled for Saturday, December 6, at Rock Creek Church of Christ has been cancelled.

who would benefit from a secure environment. All staff will be specifically trained in the care and treatment of these individuals and therapeutic recreational programs will be tailored to meet the need of the cognitively impaired. In addition, a secure outdoor courtyard has been specifically designed and landscaped for individuals with Alzheimer's related disorders.

The decision to create this Special Needs Unit was based on a demonstrated need for a secured unit to serve Floyd and the surrounding counties. At present, families must travel to Lubbock or Plainview for care, many times encountering a waiting list for placement.

Floydada Nursing and Rehabilitation Center is a 52-bed facility, that in addition to Alzheimer's care, also provides skilled and intermediate care and a full range of therapies done on both an inpatient and outpatient basis.

For further information or to be placed on the waiting list, contact Kiki Wilcox, administrator, at 983-3704.



Michelle Warren goes up for a shot as the Lady Owls battle for a two-point victory over Wellington.

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El Nino Effects On Global Economy

Pammy Millican
 County Extension Agent
 Droughts in Asia, Australia and Africa. Floods in South America. They're all being blamed on El Nino. The weather system is having such a devastat-

ing effect on other areas of the world, that the U. S. could actually benefit from the economic impact.

A drought caused by El Nino is costing Australian farmers as much as one-point-seven billion dollars. Much of that loss is in wheat.

Grain crops in South America may also suffer, but from the opposite problem. There, heavy rains are delaying plantings.

Extension international marketing economist Dr. Parr Rosson says the United States could be in a good position to take advantage of that. He says South Texas and the High Plains have been so dry for so long that the predicted increase in rainfall could make the land more productive.

Good yields could help meet the global demand that other countries cannot fill. That's so long as El Nino does not have a serious impact here.

Many forecasters are now beginning to back off earlier predictions of doom and gloom for the U. S. It appears other countries may have borne the brunt of the storm. And it could open those countries to more imported U. S. goods.

As an example, Rosson cites the possible decline in the supply of fish in Japan and Southeast Asia that the U. S. could replace

with exports of beef, chicken and pork. And Rosson says the impact of El Nino could carry well beyond this winter. It could be 1999 before crop cycles are back to normal in many places.

And a big cattle sell off in Australia could effect prices for years to come. First they'd be lower because of the increase in supply, but then as ranchers rebuild their herds, prices would go up. By then, we could be looking at the next El Nino.

Proclamation

By Executive Order of the Honorable John Bowman, Mayor of the City of Silverton, it is hereby proclaimed:

WHEREAS, the 1997 Silverton Owls football squad has performed above and beyond the level of their peers in competition around the region; and

WHEREAS, the 1997 Silverton Owls football squad advanced to the State Quarterfinals round of competition; and

WHEREAS, the success of the Silverton Owls football squad has brought recognition and honor to all the residents of Silverton; and

WHEREAS, This week provides an opportunity for all residents of Silverton to show their appreciation to the 1997 Silverton Owls football squad for their outstanding performance,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bowman, Mayor of the City of Silverton, do hereby proclaim the week of December 1, 1997 as

Silverton Owl Football Week in the City of Silverton and urge my fellow citizens to join me in congratulating and honoring the players, coaches, assistants, and the cheerleaders and pep squad of the 1997 Silverton Owl Football Team for a season of excellence.

Let all within the reach of this proclamation heed its directive.

By his Honor the Mayor of the City of Silverton, Texas.
 /s/ John Bowman

Happy Birthday-

December 4--Desiree Star Casillas, Lori Griffin, Elsie Cornett, Jimmy D. Stone

December 5--Anita Ramsey
 December 6--Ethan Long, Robert Cole Burson, Donaleta Garrison, Perry Brunson, Rosemary Perkins, Roy Wood, Leland Wood, Carol Braddock

December 7--Jamie Frizzell, Dee McWilliams, Michael Rampley, Joshua Wade Bounds

December 8--Brandy Nicole Gamble, Norby Garcia
 December 9--Danielle Netro
 December 10--Fay Perkins, Manuel Aguilar, Tim Mattheus, Brenda Harris

Happy Anniversary-

December 7--Mr. and Mrs. Jeff George, Mr. and Mrs. Duane Reynolds

December 8--Mr. and Mrs. Guinn Fitzgerald

4-H Meeting Schedule For December 1997

by Calley Payne
 County Extension Agent

Silverton Junior 4-H Club
 Tuesday, December 9
 3:10 p.m.

Silverton School Homemaking Room

Program: Tara Smith
Valley Junior 4-H Club
 Wednesday, December 10
 3:40 p.m.

Valley School Cafeteria
Briscoe County Senior 4-H Club

Thursday, December 18
 7:00 p.m.

Amarillo Rattlers Hockey Game

Cost: \$8.50
 Money is due in the Extension Office by Wednesday, December 10.

Go Owls & Lady Owls!

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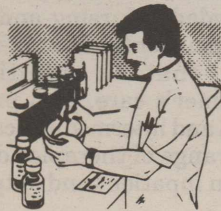
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LOOKING BACK

through the files of the
Briscoe County News

December 3, 1967--Named to the 1-A Six-Man Football Team were Robbie McWaters, end; Neal Edwards, back; Clay Schott, defensive lineman; Ryan Smith and Jamie Frizzell, linebackers; Jamie Frizzell, second-team end; Robbie McWaters, second-team defensive lineman; Neal Edwards, second-team linebacker; Wayne Henderson, second-team safety. In addition, honorable mention went to Brad West, center; Kendal Minyard, quarterback; Clay Schott and Bradley Brunson, offensive backs . . . Funeral services conducted for Lamb Dowd, 93 . . . Owls lose to Wellman in state quarterfinals, 58-8 . . . Clay Schott was one of three players in the football district to be selected to play in the all-star game to be played during the coaching school . . . First-grade students on the honor roll are Julie Browning, Lindsey Jennings, Misty Wilkinson, Wendy Wood . . .

December 8, 1977--The Owlettes won first place in the Kress Tournament last week, defeating Littlefield, Kress and Abernathy, and, after losing to Littlefield in the first round, the Owls came back to win the consolation bracket by defeating Kress and the Dimmitt junior varsity. Linda Vaughn was named Most Valuable Player of the girls division of the tournament. Mignone Rauch and Jackie Vaughn both were named to the All-Tournament teams . . . Kyle Couch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stan Couch, underwent surgery during the Thanksgiving holidays in an Amarillo hospital . . . Mrs. Irving McJimsey had the misfortune of falling at her home and breaking her hip last Thursday morning . . . Mrs. Duane Reynolds expects to enter St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo Sunday to undergo surgery for the repair of a heart valve . . . Mrs. Robert McPherson plans to enter High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo Tuesday to undergo surgery on Wednesday . . . Mrs. J. L. Self is recuperating from surgery she underwent at Nichols Hospital in Plainview . . . Ray Thompson implement to hold field demonstration on the Bryant Eddleman farm, one mile west of Silverton . . . Fire Department is selling smoke detectors . . . The seventh and eighth grade Owls and Owlettes played in a round robin basketball tournament at Claude last week, and the eighth grade Owls won first place. The seventh grade Owls and Owlettes both won second-place trophies . . . Cris Gill, a senior social studies major at West Texas State University, has been initiated into the Zeta Upsilon chapter of Phi Alpha Theta. He was one of six students to be initiated into the international honor society in history on November 17 . . .

Mrs. Beulah Evans broke her arm and knee in a fall at her home recently . . . Mrs. J. E. Vaughan has been recuperating from surgery in the home of her daughter, Norma Ragland, in Lockney . . . Christmas Greeting Page to benefit local Scouting program . . .

November 30, 1967--Radioman Allen Thomas, who is in the Gulf of Tonkin, has notified his family that he will spend Christmas in Japan this year. The Oriskany is due back in port in California in January, and Thomas is due for his discharge in February . . . Mr. and Mrs. George Seaney visited Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Seaney, Susie and Jim in Hart Sunday . . . Mr. and Mrs. Ted Reid of Canyon visited the J. W. Reid, jr. family Sunday as they were enroute home from a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Howard Dana, Terri and Jan, at Gallup, New Mexico . . . Cotton harvesting operations in Briscoe County were brought to a halt this week by misty, snowy weather after having proceeded ahead of schedule the past few weeks . . . Mrs. Joe Kitchens is a patient in the Lockney Hospital . . . Mrs. Bob Olive and Steve of Petersburg and Mrs. Belle Olive and Betty visited Mrs. Jennie Fisher at the Lockney Hospital Friday morning . . . Rebecca Reid recently took part in the Princess Blossom Contest during the Cotton Festival held in Plainview. She was presented as the reigning Princess Blossom at the beginning of the pageant . . . Mr. and Mrs. John T. Gilkeyson were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Long Thanksgiving Day . . . Mrs. A. L. McMurtry returned home Tuesday after having been a patient in Swisher Memorial Hospital . . . Mrs. Garner Watters is a patient in the Lockney Hospital this week . . . Today when Grandma sits at the spinning wheel, chances are she's visiting Las Vegas . . . Mrs. Bill Long of Tulia, Mrs. Claudia Welch of Dimmitt and Mrs. M. L. Welch visited with Mrs. Luther Vardell and Mrs. J. A. Henson in Clovis, New Mexico recently . . . Mr. and Mrs. Harold Edwards and Cynthia recently attended a housewarming for her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Sprague, in Tulia . . . Thanksgiving Day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lark Miller, Steve and Judy were Mr. and Mrs. James Ray Smith, Rita and David of Ulysses, Kansas; Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Crawford and Denise of Garland; Mr. and Mrs. James Smith of Roaring Springs, and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Miller . . .

December 26, 1957--Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Dickerson went to Sudan on Saturday to meet her sister, Miss Bonnie Watters, who teaches in Williams, Arizona . . . Mr. and Mrs. Jack Paige spent Friday night and Saturday here

with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Paige . . . Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Weast Thursday evening were Mr. and Mrs. Clovis Hill and Mrs. Aurice Hill of Amarillo . . . Miss Virginia May has returned home after spending three weeks in Folsom, New Mexico, with her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Burchard and sons . . . Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Wood and Jan of Dell City are spending the holidays here with Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Wood and Mr. and Mrs. U. D. Brown, other relatives and friends . . . Mr. and Mrs. O. E. May left Sunday for Fort Worth where they are spending this Christmas week with their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Orrin May . . . Don Ledbetter, a student at Howard Payne in Brownwood, was expected to arrive here Sunday to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Paul Ledbetter, and Ronald. Don preaches at a Baptist Church near Brownwood and remained there until after Sunday morning services . . .

October 16, 1925--Quitague is to have a newspaper. The Chamber of Commerce and businessmen of Quitague have been wanting a newspaper for some time and this week arrangements were completed whereby they will have a paper of their own. The first issue of the paper will appear next week and will be

The Quitague Post. J. Clyde Thomas, formerly of Silverton, will be editor and manager of the new paper which will be printed temporarily in the *Briscoe County News* office. . . Heavy general rains with hail doing considerable damage . . . Silverton team ties Tulia, 6-6 . . . T. J. Hodges came in Thursday evening from Munday with one truck load of his household effects. Another truck was stuck in the mud near White Flat where the roads were almost impassable. Mr. Hodges is moving into his new home which he has just completed on the old Tom Turner place . . . Chester Sheets came through Beverly Saturday with a bunch of mules which he had obtained at Spearman. Mr. Sheets reported that he had been on the road five days . . . Sheriff Garrison returned Sunday night from Comanche where he had gone to get a man charged with deserting his wife and child . . .

October 22, 1925--Silverton to get 18-hour electric service. Silverton gets publicity from Dallas exhibit; makes high score, beating many older state fair exhibitors . . . They couldn't wait so they had to have a church wedding. Usually a church wedding entails time, thought, practice and endless other details but not so with the wedding that occurred here Sunday evening at the Methodist Church. F. M.

Brooks and Lockie Burson of Quitague wanted to get married. They drove to Silverton, procured their license and went in search of the preacher. The days are getting shorter and church services are starting earlier, therefore when the couple arrived at the parsonage the preacher had already gone to the church and the large crowd which had gathered for the special musical program had already heard the opening number. But they were not to be daunted and the best man marched up to the pulpit and asked Fred A. Wilson if he would perform the ceremony. He said that he would have to wait until after the services were over, but the couple said they couldn't wait so he agreed to marry them if they would make it a church wedding. The orchestra was instructed to strike up Mendlesohn Wedding March and the surprised audience witnessed the bride and groom walk down the aisle and be made man and wife and when the happy blushing couple had passed out of the church the best man walked right up in front of the crowd and paid the preacher whose time then it was to blush . . .

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Barbara Collins Returns From Las Vegas Appearance



Duane and Shirley Reynolds will be observing their 40th wedding anniversary Sunday, December 7.

"I may have performed at Las Vegas alone and with Dee," stated Barbara Collins after returning from the Country Music Organizations of America competition, "but I felt everyone's presence on stage with me." When speaking about her success in Las Vegas, Nevada, at the Showboat Hotel, Collins referred to her friends and sponsors in the Texas Panhandle with grateful affection.

While in Las Vegas from October 14-19, Collins won the national titles of 1997 *Rising Star Award for Traditional Country Vocal Group* with Dee O'Kelley of Amarillo and 1997 *Rising Star Award for the Best New Country Female Entertainer*. Accompanying her to Las Vegas was her



Barbara Collins

husband, Terry Collins, and children, Josh and Maggie, of Hedley.

She earned her spotlight on the Showboat's stage in September by winning the *Rising Star Award in New Country Vocal Group* with Dee O'Kelley, *Traditional Country Female Entertainer of the Year*, and first runner-up *New Country Female Entertainer of the Year* titles in the 1997 North Texas CMOA Regional Competition held at Amarillo's Big Texan Steak Ranch.

Collins is well known throughout the Texas Panhandle for performing at numerous area events. During the 15 years she has lived at Hedley with her family, she has entertained at the Hedley Cotton Festival Queen Coronation, the Bar H Dude Ranch west of Clarendon, the Wellington Peanut Festival Beauty Contest, and the Caprock Jamboree in Silverton. It is not surprising to attend area graduations, funerals, weddings, banquets and church functions and find that Barbara is there to enhance the occasion with her singing performances. She was a member of the Clarendon College

Country Band, directed by Jim Stewart of Memphis, while attending CC on a music scholarship, a member of the Big Texan Traveling Singers, the Big Texan Opry, the Fabulous 5 Jazz Band, and the Memphis Little Theater. Collins recently performed for the Hall County Preservation Committee to raise funds to restore the landmark Presbyterian Church in Memphis.

She also has entertained audiences at the Claude Gem Theater. Next on her singing agenda, she will be entertaining at the Amarillo Club, for the Christmas Tree Forest held in the Memphis Presbyterian Church, and the Clarendon Jamboree. Collins was pictured in the "Buzz Words" section of the November issue of *Accent West*.

"When you are married to a basketball coach for 15 years and travel all over the Texas Panhandle, you naturally meet lots of people," Collins said. "I don't know of a better place to entertain gracious, giving audiences." Collins credits these Panhandle people for supporting and encouraging her to showcase her talent. "While it is true I got an excellent start at Amarillo High School with my choir director, George Biffle," Collins said, "my encouragement and inspiration have come from God, my family and friends."

Collins often shares her talent with young children interested in the entertainment business. In August, she directed the Hedley First Baptist Church's vacation bible school students in a "Good News Stampede" at the Bar H Dude Ranch. Plans to take the same group to the Big Texan this fall are in the works. In January, she delivered a showstopping song and dance routine with the Hedley fifth grade class at the Big Texan Opry. She is already at work creating a Christmas song presentation with grades 3, 4, and 5, for a December 9 special Big Texan Opry.

It is safe to state that we have not heard the last from Barbara Collins and her ambitious singing talent. She plans to record in the near future in Clovis, New Mexico. "I am thrilled at this opportunity because it is the same recording studio Buddy Holly used in the 1960's," Collins said. "Until then, I will remain busy with my family and community." She is an active member of the Hedley First Baptist Church, Hedley Homemakers Club, Hedley Booster Club, and the North Texas Chapter of CMOA.

Traveling With Holiday Food

Calley Payne
County Extension Agent

Many of us will hit the road over the holidays to see relatives and friends, but if you're taking food with you, you need to be careful. You wouldn't want it to go bad and ruin this festive time.

Extension food safety specialist Dr. Peggy Van Laanen says leave the big items to the people hosting the meal. She says it is not a good idea to cook a turkey or dressing and then travel three or four hours with it. Items such as deviled eggs and potato salad also are easily spoiled. Van Laanen says any meat or egg product needs to be properly chilled and kept in an ice chest. She also reminds us to be careful with holiday buffets. No perishable food should sit out at room temperature for more than two hours. After that point, it enters the danger zone where bacteria thrive.

Visitors in Gallington Home Over Holiday

Visitors in the home of Elzora Gallington for Thanksgiving were some of her family, 36 grandchildren, four daughters, one son, two sons-in-law and two boys from Dallas, Drew and Corey, friends of the family. They all had a grand time.

Thanksgiving Guests In McDaniel Home

Thanksgiving Day dinner guests in the home of Lucy McDaniel included Ashel McDaniel and Dale McWaters of Silverton; Nena and Gary Hunt of Clarendon; Elaine and Jon LaBaume of Floydada; Clint and Audra Hunt of Canyon; Coy LaBaume of Plainview; Rosemary Alvarez of Tulia; Mace and Amanda McDaniel and Karla Nelson, all of Dallas; Gene and Lewis McDaniel of Hereford.

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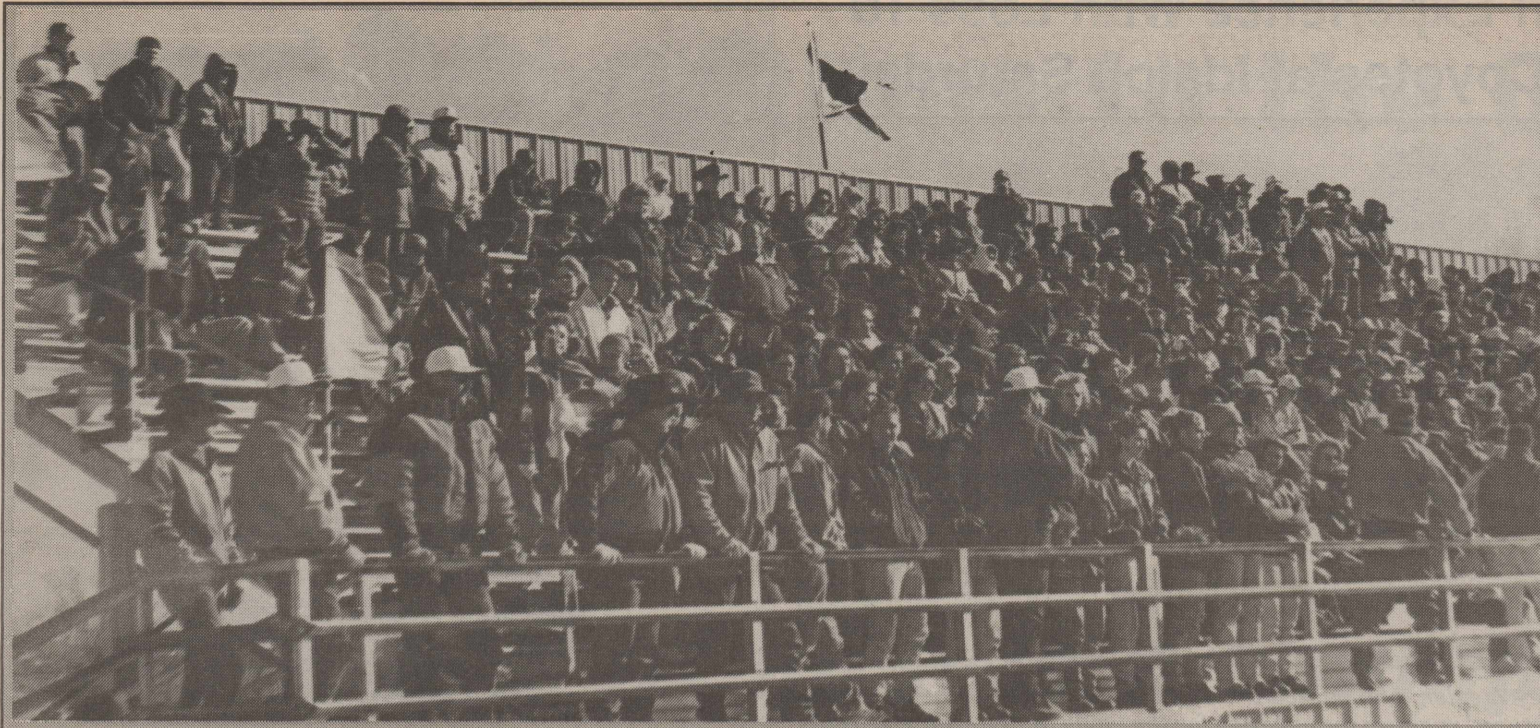
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A large crowd of fans packed the visitors' bleacher and the sidelines at the Owls' quarterfinal game with Borden County at Idalou last Saturday afternoon. The Coyotes will play the district's other representative, Lazbuddie, at 7:30 p.m. Friday at Wolfforth in the semifinal game. *Briscoe County News Photo*

Model Trains Displayed At Western Plaza

People visiting Amarillo during the holiday season can relive their childhood memories of an electric train circling the Christmas tree by visiting the "Magic of Christmas Past" model train display at Western Plaza, sponsored by the Amarillo Model Railroad Association.

The association will open its fifth annual Christmas train display from 5:00 until 8:00 p.m. throughout December weekdays, and from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. The show also will be open from 10:00

a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on December 22 and 23, and closes at noon on Christmas Eve.

The display will be located just inside the east entrance next to Radio Shack at Western Plaza. Admission is \$1.00 for adults and 50c for children under eight. The proceeds from the show will go to funding a railroad museum in Amarillo. The association has purchased land in Amarillo and hopes to break ground for a building in the spring of 1998.

During the show, people can buy chances on a complete 4-foot by 8-foot HO-scale model railroad that members of the association have hand-built especially for this event. Drawing for the model railroad will be held on Christmas Eve, and you need not be present to win.

The association keeps the excitement and enjoyment of model railroading alive for adults and children who enjoy the hobby. This year's display is in a different storefront than last year and includes new and never-before-seen scenes.

The realistic trains roll along through sleepy villages, industrial complexes, towering bridges and disappear into rock-covered tunnels. Many of the scenes represent actual places in the Amarillo area. The display features more than five scale miles of track that encompasses a 40-foot by 70-foot area. Trains from both steam and diesel eras run on the display.

The members of the association have worked hard to make this year's Christmas display an event that the whole family can enjoy. The trains and scenery in the display represent many hours of hard work by some very talented individuals, some recognized nationally for their scale model railroading skills.

The Amarillo Model Railroad Association is an IRS-approved, tax-exempt, non-profit 501(c)(3) educational and historical organization. The association is dedicated to promoting scale model railroading in the Amarillo area and preserving the railroad history of the Texas Panhandle.

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Owls End Playoff Experience With Loss To Borden County Coyotes at Idalou Saturday

Silverton's Owls ended their playoff experience in the State Football Quarterfinals last Saturday by dropping the contest to the Borden County Coyotes 34-19. A strong wind kept the kicking game tricky and didn't help the passing game, but it was the same disadvantage to both teams. Actually, the weather wasn't too bad for the end of November when most teams have gone indoors to play.

Fans are very proud of the Owls for the way they've played and the things they've learned this year. All of the players have done a good job and some of them have played better than many people ever expected them to play.

Coach Larry Mantle and Coach Donnie Dutton have motivated the team to reach higher and achieve more than they have in years past, and it is hoped that their football experience will motivate them to greater things in the future in other planes.

The senior players, Jack Cherry, Leland Wood, Trey Ziegler, Chris Justice, Andy Bullock, Will Hester, Jared Francis and Trey Wyatt, are such an outstanding group of young men that it is certain they will be missed on next year's football team. They have contributed positive leadership to the team.

Fans will be looking forward to having players from this year's undefeated junior varsity team step up to take their places next year, and these underclassmen will have to excel to keep up with their accomplishments. The boys who will be graduating are leaving behind big shoes that will have to be filled.

Returning with varsity playoff experience are Jeremy Holt, Jared Holt and Jay Arnold, juniors; Charlie Bomar, sophomore; Clint Ivory and Adrian Ramirez, freshmen, along with Donny Burson, David Gamble, Bert Garza and Jay Hicks, juniors; Paul Segura, Nathan Francis, Max Whitworth, Vince Cruz, Amos Lopez and Ryan Minyard, sophomores; Tyler Young, Issac Garcia and Gary Whitworth, freshmen. They comprise a good nucleus for a team.

QUARTERFINALS

The quarterfinal game at Idalou with Borden County was, at times, a game of inches. Once again the Owls put their minds



Trey Ziegler, who passed the 1,000-yard mark for the season, is pictured rushing for yardage for the Owls in their quarterfinals game against Borden County at Idalou Saturday afternoon. By the time the Owls were able to wear down the Coyotes with their two-platoon system, the game was out of reach, but fans are very proud of their team and the way it has performed in the playoffs. *Briscoe County News Photo*

to the job at hand and made bold gains on fourth down situations. Sometimes these were enough for success and sometimes not.

Jared Holt kicked off into and out of the end zone to open the game, and Borden County hopped to it on offense. The defense, led by Andy Bullock, Trey Wyatt, Clint Ivory and Chris Justice, held the Coyotes for four downs and got the ball back on the BC 34.

Jeremy Holt ran for three yards and Trey Ziegler carried to the 29 before the Owls were stripped of the ball and Jared Holt made the recovery. This lost yardage, and on fourth down Jared Holt punted away for the Owls.

Borden County passed complete for the first first down of the game, stopped by Chris Justice on the Owl 35. The Coyotes picked up another first down just shy of the goal line, and with BC needing only about a foot to score, the Owl defense, led by Jared Francis, Clint Ivory and Trey Wyatt, held. The Coyotes scored on the next play, there was no PAT, and with 2:50 remaining in the first quarter, the BC boys held a 6-0 lead.

An interception abbreviated Silverton's next offensive effort, and the Coyotes went back to work. They picked up a first down on the Silverton 10, after which

the defense stiffened and held them to a five-yard gain, forcing them to give up the ball again.

Jack Cherry handed off to Jeremy Holt twice for a short gain before he passed complete to Jeremy who carried the ball to the 16. Trey Ziegler ran for a first down on the next play. A pass from Cherry to Adrian Ramirez and a lateral to Jeremy Holt gained to the 36. Cherry passed to Ziegler for a first down. Runs by Jeremy Holt and Ziegler were unable to get another first down, and the ball went over to the Coyotes with three minutes remaining before halftime.

Borden County passed for a first down at midfield, and the Owls saw a penalty paced off against them which moved the ball half the distance to the goal from the 25 on the next play. Borden County scored again with 2:18 still on the second-quarter clock, but failed on the PAT attempt due to a bad snap from center. The Coyotes moved into a 12-0 lead.

On the first play for the Owls, the ball was stripped again, and Borden County recovered on the 27. The Coyotes made a first down, stopped by the tough tackling of Leland Wood, then added another on the 17, stopped by Andy Bullock. They scored with 29 ticks left in the first half, kicked the PAT, and moved into a 20-0 lead.

Borden County kicked off and Jeremy Holt returned it to the 23. Ziegler ran to the 27, and a pass from Cherry to Jeremy Holt was good for a first down on the BC 28. A pass was intercepted as the first half came to a close.

The Owls were told at halftime that they should go out and relax and enjoy the game, and they did much better with this advice. Bullock carried the BC kickoff out to the 32, after which Ziegler ran it to midfield. A pass from Cherry to Jeremy was good for a



Andy Bullock hangs on for dear life as Will Hester and Trey Wyatt come in to assist with the tackle in the state quarterfinal game with Borden County at Idalou last Saturday afternoon. *Briscoe County News Photo*

first down on the BC 30.

Ziegler carried to the 28 and Jeremy Holt ran to the 22. Needing nine yards, Cherry hit Jeremy Holt with another pass which carried to the BC 15, just a yard shy of the marker, giving the ball back to the Coyotes.

The Coyotes picked up a first down on the Silverton 31, and followed by passing for another. They made a first down on the nine, but their next pass was tipped into the air and intercepted by Andy Bullock for the Owls deep in Coyote territory.

Jeremy Holt carried to the 10, but on the next play Jeremy's pass was intercepted by the Coyotes. Borden County scored three plays later, kicked the PAT, and moved into a 28-0 lead with 3:04 remaining in the third quarter.

When Borden County kicked off again, Ziegler took the ball to near midfield, and the Owls moved for a first down on runs and passes to Jeremy Holt. Ziegler picked up another first down on the BC 14, after which Jeremy Holt took a Cherry pass to the two as the third quarter ended.

Jeremy scored two plays later with 9:19 remaining in the fourth stanza. There was no PAT, and the Owls narrowed the score to 28-6.

Jared Holt kicked off again and the ball was taken at the BC 30. Bullock almost intercepted a BC pass, and the Coyotes were penalized for offensive pass interference. Needing 18 yards, the Coyotes carried to the Silverton 35 for a first down, stopped by **Continued on Page Eight**



Trey Wyatt (shown making a tackle on Borden County in the state quarterfinals) has been a defensive leader for the Owls this season. He has battled a knee injury during the latter part of the season, but has continued to play well. *Briscoe County News Photo*

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Jared Francis, and passed to the 25. They passed to the Silverton five for another first down, stopped by Francis again. The Coyotes scored on the next play. There was no PAT, and the Coyotes moved into a 34-6 lead.

BC performed an onside kick, and Ziegler took it to the 20 with six minutes remaining in the game. Cherry passed complete to Ziegler to move the ball to the one, and Jeremy Holt scored with 4:45 still showing on the clock. There was no PAT, and the score became 34-12, with the Owls continuing to trail.

Jared Holt executed an onside kick which went out of bounds, and BC took it where it went out. Even with a Silverton penalty, the Coyotes were held to little gain and on fourth down, Francis knocked down a BC pass on the 37, and the ball went back to the Owls.

Cherry passed complete to Charlie Bomar before making a first-down throw to Adrian Ramirez on the BC 14. Cherry

passed to Ziegler for the touch-down with 1:57 remaining in the game. Jeremy Holt passed complete to Ziegler for the PAT, and the Owls narrowed the score to 34-19.

Leland Wood kicked off since Jared Holt was hobbling badly, and the onside was taken by BC at the 35. The defense held and the Owls got the ball back on the 38.

A pass to Ziegler carried to the 30 and a pass to Ramirez was good for a first down on the 15. Ziegler carried to within inches of a touchdown before time expired in the game.

Nick Long, son of George and LaVerne Long, announced the game on the radio broadcast, and his spotter was Coy LaBaume, son of Jon and Elaine LaBaume and grandson of Ashel McDaniel. At halftime, the radio show presented an interview with O. C. Rampley.

Long did a very good job of presenting special information about the Owl team, Coach Mantle, some of the Owl parents and

grandparents. It was evident that he had spent quite a bit of time in Silverton preparing for the broadcast, and had attended the Owl pep rally and sendoff in downtown Silverton that morning. It added a special note to the state playoff game.

Junior Varsity Teams in Tourney At Lakeview

The Junior Varsity teams are playing in a tournament at Lakeview this week. Teams include Lakeview, Lefors varsity, Memphis JV, Trinity JV, San Jacinto JV, Kress JV, Bible Heritage varsity and Silverton JV in the boys division.

Playing in the girls division will be Lakeview, Lefors varsity, Memphis JV, Pampa varsity, San Jacinto, Valley JV, Bible Heritage varsity and Silverton JV.

Games for the Owls will be with Bible Heritage at 6:30 p.m. Thursday; with San Jacinto at 6:30 p.m. Friday, and with Kress at 8:00 p.m. Saturday.

The Lady Owls will be playing Bible Heritage at 8:00 p.m. Thursday; San Jacinto at 8:00 p.m. Friday, and Valley at 9:30 a.m. Saturday.

Good Luck, Owls, Lady Owls

Teams Win Pair Of Games At Lakeview Nov. 24

The Junior High Owls and Lady Owls drove to Lakeview on November 24 for a pair of games with the Eagles, and won both of them.

Chelsey Cherry had the hot hands for the Lady Owls, ringing up a big 30 points to lead her team's offense. Lauren VanHorn also caged in double figures with 16 points.

Adding to the score were Amanda Estes and Jenny Young, six points each; Kurby Garvin, Amy Maciel, Brandi Rice, Bryn Mayfield, Kassie Strange and Tarran Forbes, two points each.

Lady Owls	16	22	42	68
Lakeview	0	8	10	12

Also playing for the Lady Owls were Cami Wilson and Kathryn Myers.

The Owls took a big 66-32 victory over the Eagles.

Andrew Francis led the scoring with 16 points, and Matt Strange and Jimmy Castillo rang up 12 points each. Adding to the score were Clay McMurtrey, Junior Gonzalez and Red Ivory, six points each; Danny Dunn and John Arnold, two points each.

Also playing for the Owls were Nicholas Vargas, Dustin Hale and Chase Comer.

Owls	16	28	46	66
Lakeview	7	12	26	32

Lady Owls Have Racked Up Victory During the Past Week

Silverton's varsity Lady Owls have rolled along to victory over the Wellington Skyrockets during the past week, and were to host the team from Boys Ranch Tuesday night.

The Lady Owls outscored the Lady 'Rockets in the first two quarters, and held a 30-27 lead at the midway stop. The Wellington girls outscored the Lady Owls and went into a 39-38 lead before the Owl ladies recaptured the lead in the fourth quarter to take a 48-46 decision.

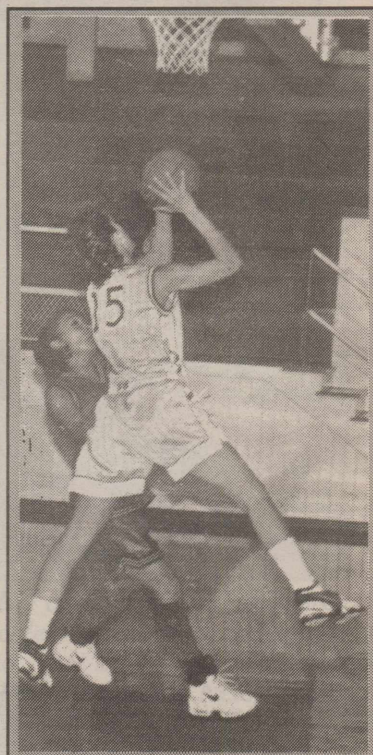
Michelle Warren led the offense with a big 22-point effort! Lacy Brunson also caged in double figures, getting 13. Also scoring were Dara Ramsey, seven; Lindsey Weaks, five; Misty Wilkinson, one point.

Also on the team are Sara Kirchoffner, Destiny Ivory and Lisa Comer.

Lady Owls	12	30	38	48
Wellington	11	27	39	46

The Lady Owl Junior Varsity dropped their game 38-36 after falling behind in the third quarter.

Dara Johnston led the scoring with 14, two of which were three pointers. Taylor Griffin also scored in double figures with 11. Adding to the score were Brooke Garvin, eight; Sharyl McMurtrey, three.



Lindsey Weaks goes to the hoop as the Lady Owls defeat Wellington at home.

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Lady Owl JV	12	22	25	36
Wellington	12	22	34	38

Also playing for this team is Catheryn Reyna.

Junior High Teams Play Series Of Games At Groom Monday

Silverton's Junior High teams drove to Groom Monday night for a series of game with the always-tough Tiger teams.

The seventh grade Lady Owls led off the action by dropping their game 30-18. Lauren VanHorn led the offense for the Lady Owls by scoring 10 points. Also scoring were Jenny Young, Bryn Mayfield, Kassie Strange and Tarran Forbes, two points each.

Lady Owls	2	4	10	18
Groom	16	26	28	30

The other member of this team is Kathryn Myers.

The seventh grade Owls played to a big 37-15 victory over the Tigers led by the huge 24-point effort of Red Ivory. Monty Wood caged eight points and John Arnold rang up five to round out the score.

Also in the game were Dustin Hale and Chase Comer.

Owls	13	23	29	37
Groom	4	4	11	15

The eighth grade Lady Owls dropped their match 27-16.

Chelsey Cherry led the offense with nine points, Amanda Estes dropped in six and Amy Maciel rang up a point from the line.

Also playing for the Lady Owls were Kurby Garvin, Cami Wilson and Brandi Rice.

Lady Owls	2	6	11	16
Groom	4	10	18	27

The eighth grade Owls also suffered defeat at the hands of the Tigers, 41-32.

Andrew Francis led the scoring with 16 points and Jimmy Castillo rang up 12. Clay McMurtrey and Matt Strange added two points each.

Also playing for the team were Nicholas Vargas, Danny Dunn and Junior Gonzalez.

Owls	10	16	28	32
Groom	9	18	28	41

Next games for the Junior High teams will be played with Claude here beginning at 4:00 p.m. Monday, December 8. This will be the first home games for the Junior High.

Places Second in FFA Contest

Clarendon College hosted more than 450 high school students on Saturday, November 22, for the annual District FFA Contests. Future Farmers of America (FFA) students from the Top-O-Texas, Greenbelt and Amarillo Districts competed in nine events.

The top two placing teams will represent their respective districts at the Area I FFA Leadership Contest on December 6 at Clarendon College. The winners of the Area contests will participate in the State FFA Contests on Saturday, December 13, at Sam Houston State University.

Silverton's Junior Chapter Conducting team placed second in the contests.



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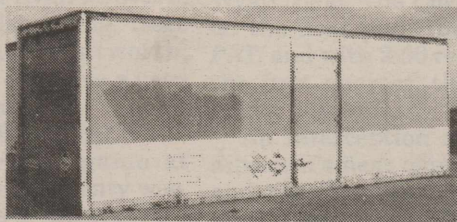
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The cotton market was uninspired and trading was weak before the long Thanksgiving holiday weekend. Although traders lacked the direction due to an absence of fresh fundamental news, concern over the uncertain economic situation in the Far East still was in the background.

The effects of the latest economic and currency developments in the Far East continue to cast doubt on the region's consumption prospects. Some traders have expressed fears that sales cancellations could occur in coming export reports.

USDA's weekly export sales report may have added fuel to the fire as cancellations and destination changes from Far Eastern countries appeared this week. The department's export sales report for the week ended November 13 showed a net increase of 112,000 bales, considerably lower than the previous week's 252,100 bales, which was the fifth largest export number of the season. Mexico was the largest buyer of U. S. cotton with purchases totaling 24,900 bales. Turkey and Indonesia followed with purchases of 15,500 and 15,200 bales respectively. China, the largest buyer in last week's report, fell to fourth place with purchases of only 9,600 bales.

The International Cotton Advisory Committee (ICAC) gave the markets a few figures to ponder this week. In its November 24 report, the ICAC reduced its 1997-98 world production number to 90.7 million bales from its October estimate of 92.0 million. The reduction was primarily due to a 1.4 million bale decrease in Pakistani cotton production. Although the production number has been lowered, it still is up marginally from last year's 89.9 million bale figure. The committee also lowered its 1997-98 world consumption estimate from 89.6 million bales in October to 89.1 million bales in its current report.

Additionally, a cut in demand for cotton imports, apparel, and other products made from cotton fiber could occur due to the sharp devaluation of currencies in Thailand, Malaysia and the Philippines, the ICAC said. According to the committee, during the 1997-98 marketing year, mills in Thailand, the Philippines and Malaysia are expected to use 2.7 million bales of cotton to manufacture retail products. But reduced consumer purchasing power and slow economic growth could slash domestic sales of cotton-made products to the equivalent of 1.3 million bales in these countries, an ICAC analyst commented.

As for next year, the committee does not expect world cotton

production in 1998-99 to rise because farmers have had difficulty increasing cotton yields, and current prices for competing crops are far more attractive than cotton prices which have been low since 1994. Despite no increases, the ICAC anticipates world ending stocks to continue to rise in 1998-99; however, global cotton consumption is expected to outpace production.

Meanwhile, the cotton harvest in the U. S. continues to be moving along ahead of schedule. The department of agriculture reports that by November 23, 85 percent of the crop had been picked, compared with the five-year average of 83 percent. Good conditions allowed farmers in the Southeast to make a strong advance, but work there remains behind the average. Elsewhere, picking is mostly ahead of normal. By the same date, Texas producers had harvested 79 percent of their cotton, while Oklahoma was slightly behind with 72 percent harvested.

Nearly-perfect weather conditions have greatly benefited more Texas producers from their early start this season to the beginning of harvesting more than a month ago. Fieldwork has advanced quickly amid a lack of significant precipitation. But the trend could soon change as the state's cotton areas are likely to experience more frequent precipitation throughout December. The wetter conditions are associated with El Nino and have been predicted for months, prodding producers

to swiftly harvest this year's crop.

Spot cotton sales of Texas/Oklahoma cotton were healthy this week in pre-holiday trading. In the four trading days ended November 26, sales of Texas/Oklahoma cotton on TELCOT totaled 44,573 bales, slightly lower than the previous week's figure of 53,055 bales. Average daily prices received by producers on the electronic marketing system ranged from 61.34 to 62.29 cents per pound.

Campylobacter: The Latest Scare

Pammy Millican
County Extension Agent

The news is filled with reports of food-borne illnesses from E-coli, but there is a bacteria that is even more prevalent. And there is no doubt we will hear more and more about it.

Campylobacter makes more people sick than any other food-borne pathogen. It can cause disease in humans and animals. One of its most common carriers is poultry.

The germ infects 70 to 90 percent of all chickens. It's estimated Campylobacter is responsible for as many as eight million cases of food poisoning each year in the United States. That's many more cases than those caused by E-coli or Salmonella.

Experiment Station poultry pathobiologist Dr. Billy Hargis says we haven't heard as much about Campylobacter because until recently it's been difficult to identify in the lab. The bacteria causes illness that lasts about a week. Symptoms include diarrhea, nausea, cramping and fever. But Hargis says there is a sure fire way to keep from getting sick. Make sure your chicken or turkey is cooked well. Heat kills the bacteria.

Poultry should be cooked thoroughly to a temperature of around 165 degrees. If you get undercooked chicken or turkey at a restaurant, send it back.

Always wash your hands with soap before and after handling raw meat. Use a separate cutting board and utensils for meats to avoid cross-contaminating other foods. And never return cooked poultry to the dish that held the raw meat. Most cases of Campylobacteriosis are associated with poultry, but you can get it from unpasteurized milk, untreated water and contact with animal feces.

Electronic Nose

Pammy Millican
County Extension Agent

One of the latest technological wonders is an electronic nose. It's a mechanical device with the potential to be used with everything from food to pig farming.

Experiment Station agricultural engineer Dr. Ron Lacey has one in his lab at Texas A&M. He says the potential applications are enormous. The electronic nose can be used to sense compounds in food that shouldn't be there. So it can be a food safety device.

It can be used to determine air quality and other environmental factors.

Right now, it's primary use is quality control... making sure a product is of consistent quality. It's used to test perfumes and alcoholic beverages.


Lacey explains that the electronic nose consists of an odor sensing array that feeds information into a software program where it can be analyzed.

But currently the nose is expensive and not quite ready for broad applications. Though it's still under development, Lacey is excited about the possibilities.

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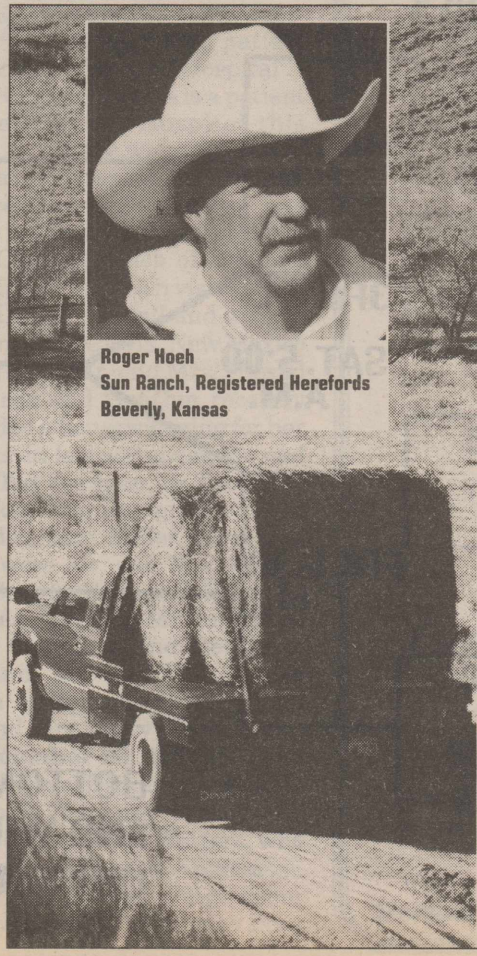
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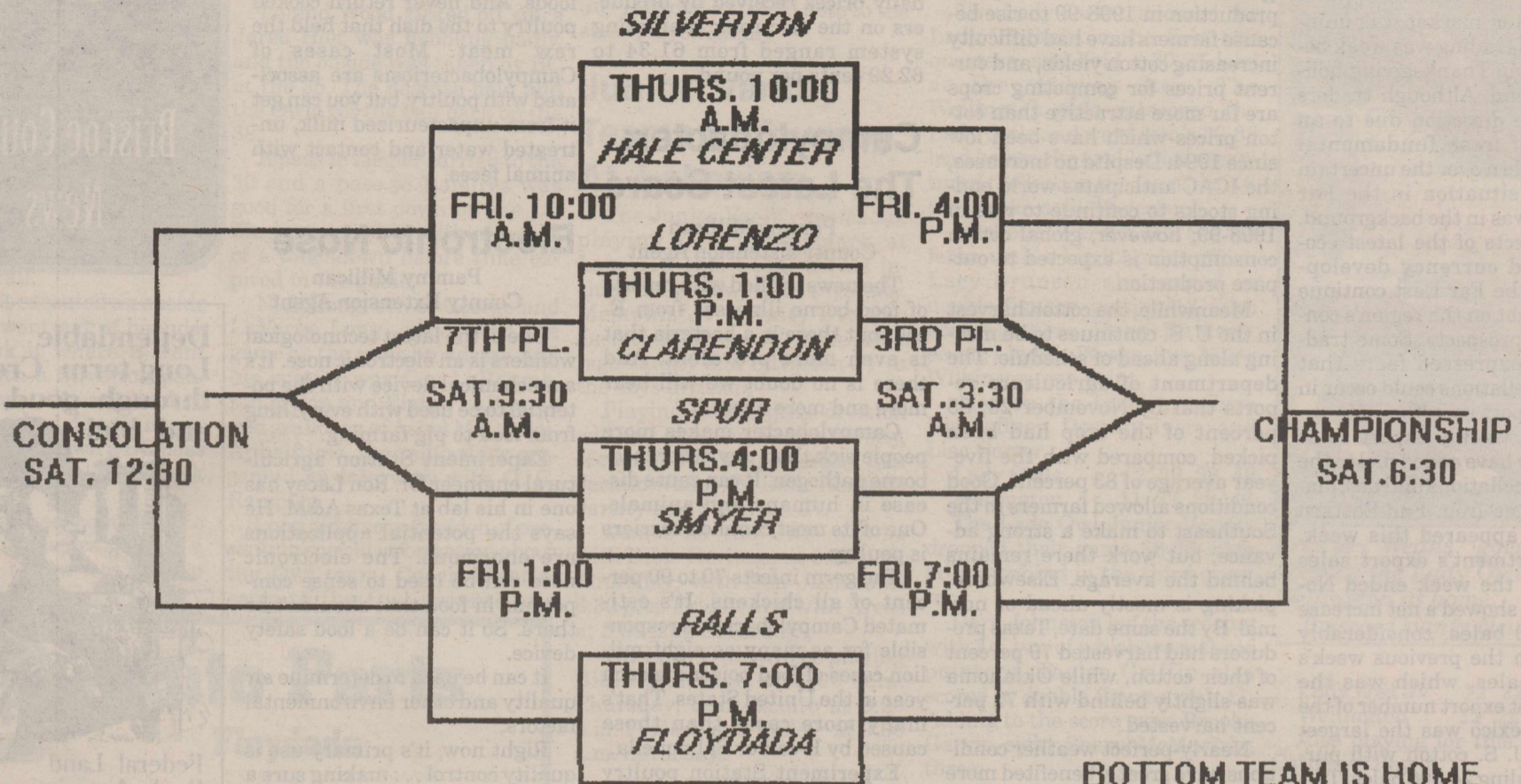


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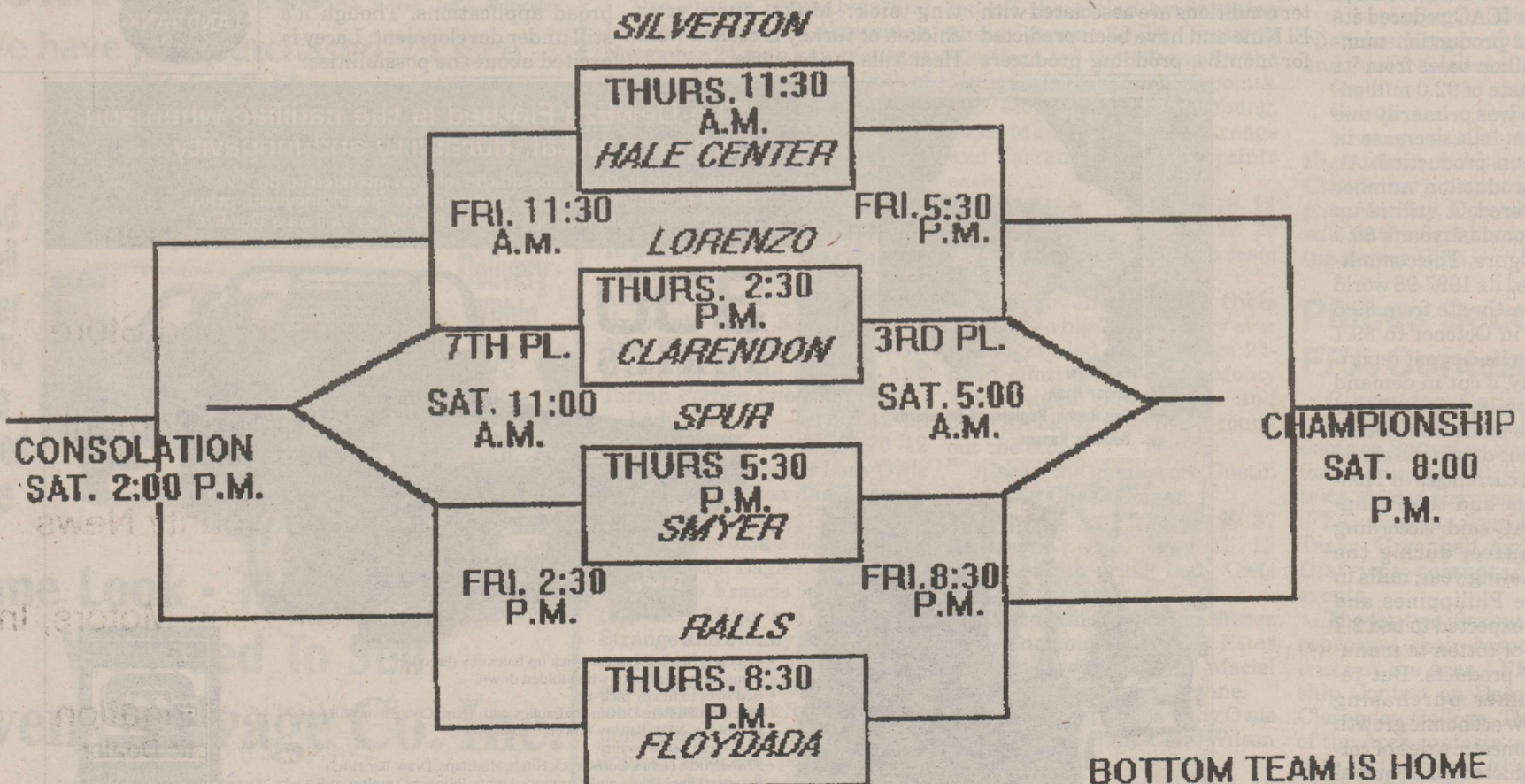


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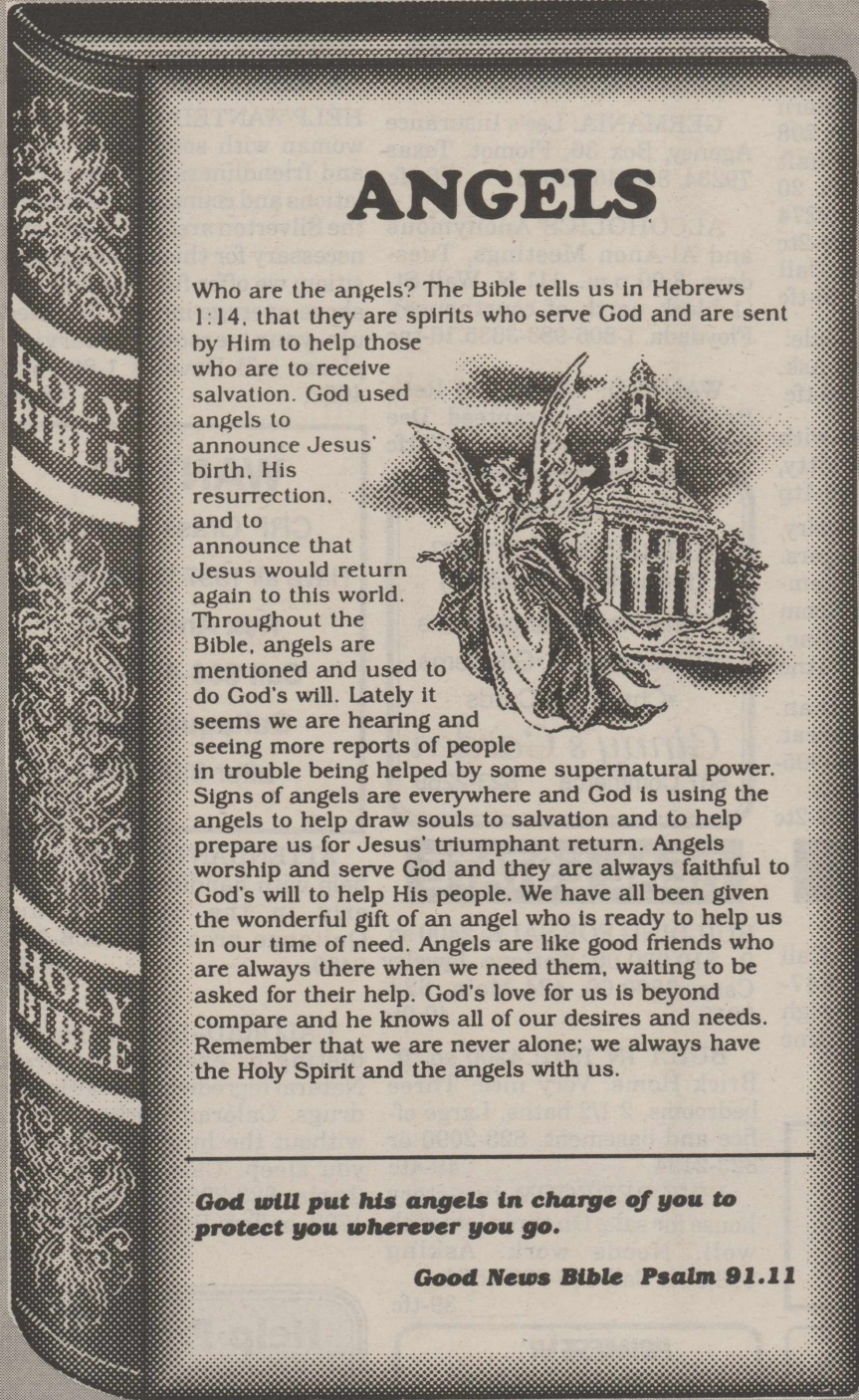
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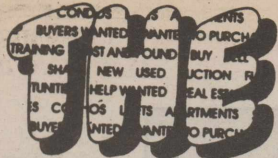
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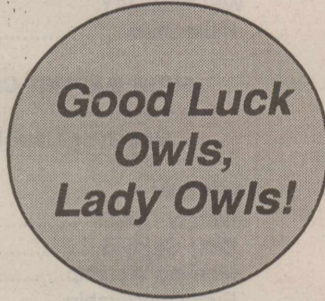
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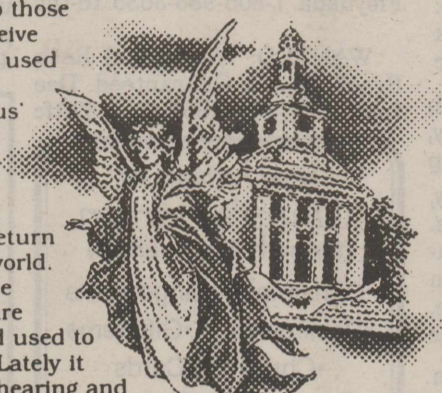
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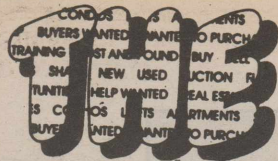
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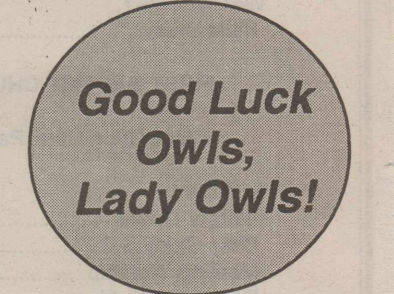
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