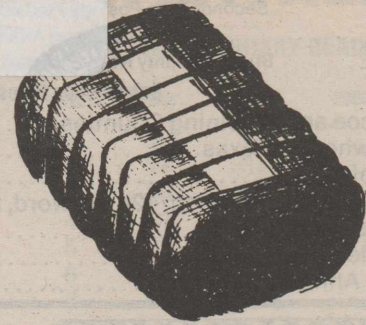
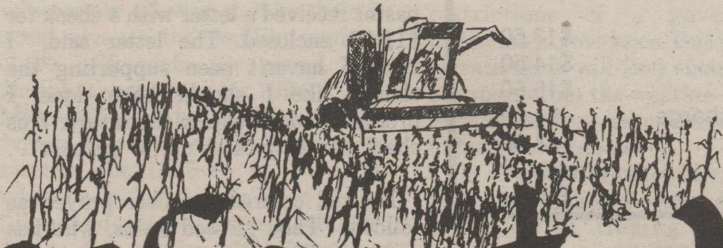


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All Around
The Town

BY MARY ANN SARCHET



Kari Patton is back teaching kindergarten in the absence of the regular teacher, Diane Reynolds, who underwent major surgery recently.

Jeanetta Bradford underwent major surgery Monday morning. Her employees at the Malt Shop are continuing their usual good job in her absence.

Tanner Cartrite spent last week here with his grandparents, Neil and Sybil King, while he was recuperating from pneumonia.

Ruth Brunson, mother of Perry Brunson, is recuperating from surgery she underwent last week at Methodist Hospital in Lubbock. A valve was repaired in her heart.

A family get-together in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Cruse at Flomot celebrated the birthday of their daughter, Derinda Patton. Also attending were Mark, Thor and Tory Patton, and others from Turkey, Matador, Plainview and Flomot.

W. H. (Hop) Graham, brother-in-law of Mary Davis, had some observations about the Silverton area in his *From the Hopper* column in the *Lovington Daily Leader* recently. While visiting here, he had to get out of the house to avoid the "non-stop small town yakking to be done throughout the night."

He wrote: "I resolved to get out of the house for some fresh air and a little reflection so I left on a hike to the See ALL AROUND THE TOWN —

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News Office To Be Closed Thurs.

The office of the *Briscoe County News* will be closed all day Thursday, February 9. There will be no out-going UPS that day only.

Please arrange your business at the News office so you won't be inconvenienced by this closing.

Organizational Meeting Planned

An organizational meeting for the youth basketball program will be held beginning at 7:00 p.m. Thursday, February 9, in the Silverton School Cafeteria.

All prospective coaches and parents of boys and girls who are in the third through sixth grades are urged to attend if their children are interested in playing youth basketball.

Briscoe County Cotton Producers Invited to Meet Thursday, Feb. 9

Briscoe County cotton producers and agribusiness representatives will elect a Producer Director to Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. at 7:00 p.m. Thursday, February 9, at the Showbarn in Silverton.

Announcement of the election comes from George Reed of Silverton, current Briscoe County Producer Director to the 25-county cotton organization, and Rex Johnson of Silverton, Business Director.

Each county in PCG's service area has two directors, one a business person and the other a cotton producer. They are elected on alternate years for two-year terms. Each is eligible for re-election every second year.

All producers and business people are invited to the meeting; however, under PCG By-Laws, only current dues-paying members of PCG will be eligible to be elected a director or to vote in the election. This provision of the By-Laws will be fully explained at the meeting.

A PCG representative will conduct the election, review and answer questions about recent and planned PCG activities, including the proposed implementation of an Enhanced Boll Weevil Control Program for the High Plains. In addition to the PCG program,

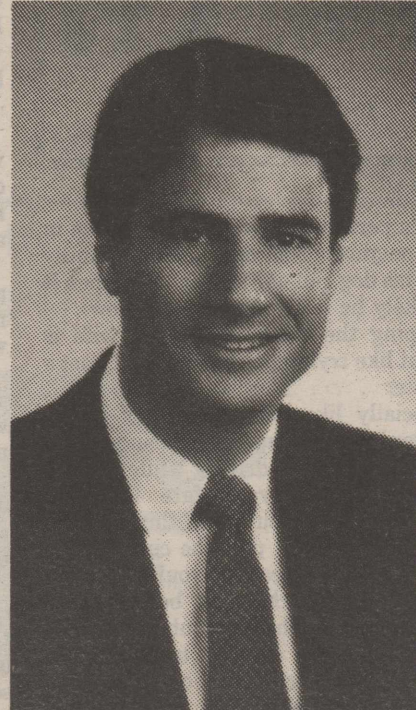
Lavon Harmon of the Texas Department of Agriculture also will be providing two Continuing Education Units (CEU's) in Laws and Regulations to producers who attend the meeting.

Playoff Game Probably Needed

If the Lady Owls from Silverton and Hedley go on to win the rest of their games, and it is almost a cinch they both will win, a playoff for first and second places in the district will be necessary. A date already is on the school calendar for this event, Monday, February 13, at 7:00 p.m. at Clarendon College.

Both teams will advance into the playoffs, but the first-place team from this district will play the second-place team from District 4 1-A, and this district's second-place team will play the other District's first-place team.

The Clarendon College gym probably will be the site of the first round of playoff games, and it will be good for the district representatives to play there before the bi-district games February 17.



Jeffrey Neal

Neal To Speak At In-Service Teacher Meeting

Jeffrey Neal will be guest speaker for the teacher in-service meeting to be held Monday in the Silverton School.

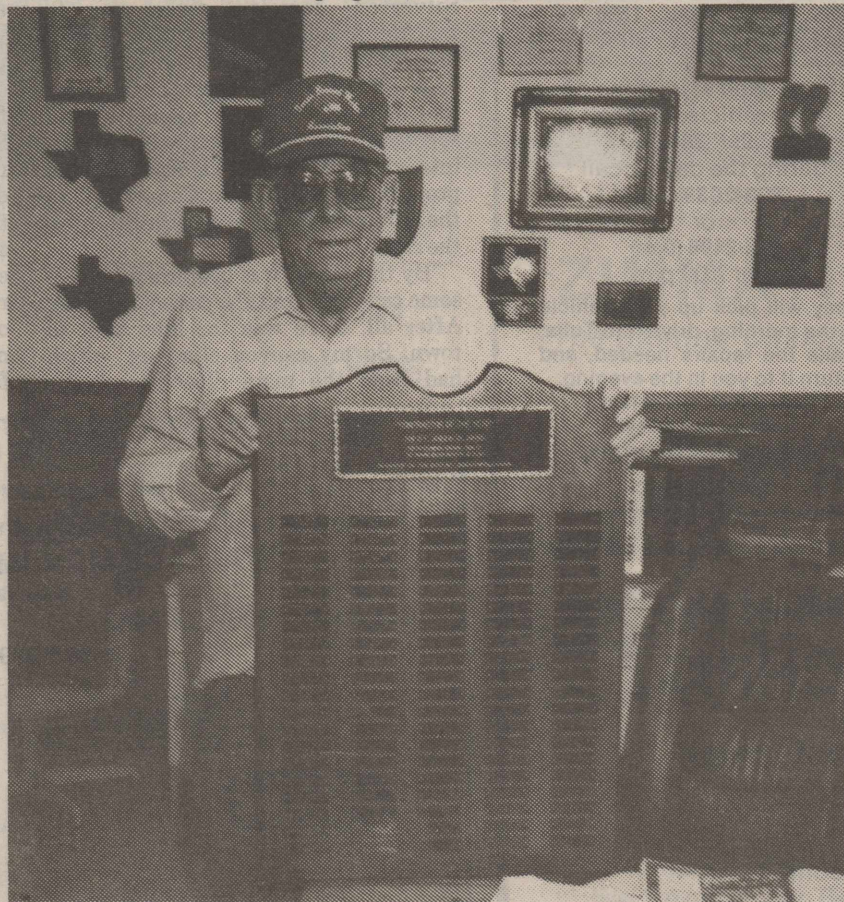
Neal is a native of Fort Worth who was on All-State teams in basketball and football at Shawnee Mission South High School and was a quarterback for Baylor University while earning his BBA degree in management. He won the Omicron Delta Kappa's Outstanding Senior Man award and went on to receive honorable mention as All-American. He was named by *Sports Illustrated* as National Back of the Week and was chosen as Outstanding College Athlete in America. He was the Fellowship of Christian Athletes Outstanding Christian Athlete in the Nation.

He led Baylor University to its first Southwest Conference football championship in fifty years, and won the Southwest Sportsmanship Award twice. He played in the National Football League for the San Diego Chargers.

He entered Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary and received his degree in 1981 after having been named to receive the W. T. Conner Award as SWBTS Outstanding Theology Student in 1979. He served as youth minister of Wilshire Baptist and Prestonwood Baptist Churches, and is now Married Adult Minister.

His father was one of the founders of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. He is married, and he and his wife, Sheila, are parents of three children.

Neal is on the boards of directors for Marketplace Ministries; New Horizons Home for Needy Children, and James Jeffrey Memorial Golf Tournament.



Leo Fleming of Fleming Well Service is pictured with the traveling plaque he received when he was named Contractor of the Year in Texas at the State Water Well Convention in Lubbock. He also received a nice individual plaque and will be able to keep the traveling award for a year. Also attending the convention were his wife, Peggy, who was in charge of ladies activities, and Donald and Carlye Fleming.


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A Voice From the Country



Earl Cantwell
Gems & Allegorys

If a person is liked by the children in the neighborhood, and both his family and his dog run out to meet him, then it is likely he is a pretty good fellow . . . Keeping the truth from your wife is about like trying to keep daylight past a rooster . . . Married women don't especially like jokes, but they would rather have one than no husband at all . . . Now if you are driving while you are drinking, then your fate is fairly certain—'cause you're not thinking the Death Angel will pull the curtain . . . We've all got a heap of trouble, and we sure need to work it out, but just look around and see there's trouble all about. Then when we see our troubles, just look up and grin, and count all the troubles that we're not in.



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According to one politician: If you will always do a favor for your constituents, they will always remember you. . . especially if they need another favor.

Harvest has just passed the corner, payday is just around the bend; looks mighty like our income, won't keep up with what we spend.

If we work our fingers to the bone, and save every penny for a rainy day, who knows, before no time at all we may be the richest man in the cemetery.

Lord, we thank Thee for the memories of yesterday, the blessings of today, and the hopes we have for tomorrow.

Many times we carry our burdens to the Lord, then because of doubt make the mistake of carrying them away with us . . . We hear prayers so long that it seemed that everything was mentioned but our own name. After an especially long prayer, someone mentioned, "My, I thought he should have come up for air."

(An appropriate allegory) An older person went to his pastor and said, "You know I can't do many things I used to do for the church, but I'd like to be of help. Do you have something I could do?" The pastor answered, "Why, yes, you know about 15% of our members are giving 80% of the

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donations. We even have some who seldom, if ever, come to worship. Here is a list I'd like for you to write and encourage to increase their stewardship." "Sure I can do that," he answered. In about three weeks the pastor received a letter with a check for \$1,000 enclosed. The letter said, "I know I haven't been supporting the church like I should have done. I promise to do better in the future. This check is to help catch up for the past" . . .

The old colored preacher prayed as follows: "Thou blessed Jesus, who has met wid Thy chillun so many times befo' come dis way jus' one more time. Pull back the curtain of Thy majesty, and poke back de doors of Thy glory and come down dis way jus' one more time. Amen.

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breaks as soon as it was daylight and warming up Sunday morning. Briscoe County straddles the caprock to the northeast just as Lea County does across the plains to the southwest. My recollection from many years ago was that the breaks were only three or four miles out of town. Defective memory; they're more like eight or nine. But what the heck, it was a beautiful winter day in Texas and a great time to be out on foot (left my bike at home).

. . . In northern Briscoe County, in the space of not more than ten miles you can pass through several botanical zones—they're horizontal, not vertical. Silverton is as far north as cotton is grown on the Texas Plains. You pass your last cotton patch about four miles north of town and then there's nothing but grain. There is row cropping, but most of the cultivated land is given over to wheat. This winter's wheat is holding a good stand, but just sitting there, waiting for moisture. This is a shame, because the soil resources are enormous. The Pullman clay is six to eight feet thick. You can go for miles and never see a rock. What a soil profile. Only thing is, without moisture at the right time, this tight land produces very little.

"About seven or eight miles north of Silverton, farming gives way to ranching, and mesquite and cactus become prominent on the land. As the edge of the plains approaches, cedar intermingles with the mesquite, and succeeds it as the escarpment looms into view. It is quite a sight on the promontory: Palo Duro Canyon off to the left, and the Clarendon breaks off to the right.

"By this time I was beginning to have some concern about the passage of time. After all, there was the hike back to town. So my canyon climbing, which had been the main objective of the

outing, was of short duration. Although the plains on top were extremely dry and all the playa lakes empty, the breaks were still wet from snow the previous week, and patches were still around in the shade. This discouraged exploring also, as the footing was sticky if not slippery in most spots. After scrambling down two canyons I headed back, noting the sun was already in its p.m. mode and headed toward the horizon.

"Regaining the crest and looking around for bearings (only a distant microwave tower to help), I was off through the horizon-blotting cedar and mesquite in search of the McMurtry ranch and the end of the dirt road I had left behind. It was very pleasant walking although I fretted a bit about the time and how I had unaccountably gone off-course more than a mile when the ground cover abated. My transistor radio kept me in touch with civilization, if you can use that word for country music and talk radio, the only thing on the dial, except for the Cowboy-Packer game. Dallas decided that in the first quarter and the drama was gone early.

"It surprised me that during the entire outing I had not spooked any quail or pheasant on the plains, nor seen any deer in the breaks. In fact, I hadn't so much as seen a rabbit all day. Another sign of the drouth, no doubt. And although I had seen tracks and scat of deer in the canyons, there was no sign of the wild pigs that have captured so much attention in recent years. The Silverton crew brought me up to date on this latest canyon lore. The pigs, they say, are not the native southwestern javelina, but wild European swine turned loose in the canyons, which have greatly multiplied in recent years and in fact become a bit dangerous to people on foot in the boonies. 'Watch out for those Russian boars,' I was admonished. There was much head-nodding, together with the suggestion I should carry a gun. As my in-laws are notorious kidders, if not liars, it was hard to separate truth from fiction in this episode. I think the fact is there are some feral pigs out there, but they aren't as dangerous as their reputations make them out to be. But it was academic as they made no appearance for me.

"Within about 3½ miles of town a pickup came by, the window was rolled down, and I was offered a ride by a farm mother and son who were bringing in a load of mesquite firewood from the northern reaches. I had turned down previous offers of the same kind that day, but surveying my watch, the sun, and hearing rumblings from an empty stomach, I accepted some Texas rural hospitality. As the teenage driver obliterated the distance within minutes, I could see why ranchers and farmers love their trucks."

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Looking Back

through the files of the
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February 7, 1985—Silverton was cold the latter part of last week and during the weekend. According to Fred Strange, who keeps the official weather information, the overnight low temperature was minus seven degrees Saturday morning and minus four degrees Sunday morning . . . Coach Kelly Braisher was a patient at Central Plains Hospital in Plainview last week undergoing tests and treatment . . . Estella Trevino is Silverton's DAR Good Citizen . . . Mrs. Lillian Lindsey spent a recent weekend in Seymour with her children, Mr. and Mrs. Don Smith, Tracy and Donna . . . Birthday get-together held for Freeman Tate . . . Owlettes earn win over Hedley Friday . . . Junior High teams lose their bids for tournament championships . . .

February 6, 1975—Mr. and Mrs. Gary Martin are parents of a son, Dustin Wayne . . . Brenda Patton is recovering from surgery at High Plains Hospital in Amarillo . . . A. D. Arnold continues to receive treatment at the Tulia hospital . . . Mickey Smith is All-State griddler . . . Twila Wood caged a big 26 points for the Owlettes to lead them in their quest for the Zone Championship in a 44-32 win over Clarendon . . . Mrs. J. E. Patton entered the Lockney hospital and has been receiving treatment since Sunday . . . Mrs. D. O'Neal is recovering from surgery at St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo . . . Both Mrs. Alvin Redin and Glenn McWilliams, who had been patients for several days at Central Plains Hospital in Plainview, have been discharged and are continuing to recuperate at home . . . Gladys Arnold was scheduled for surgery at M. D. Anderson Hospital in Houston Wednesday morning . . . New Haylake Club officers are Blanche Newman, president; Maud McJimsey, vice president; Ruby Hester, secretary-treasurer, and Opal Hyatt, reporter . . . Kaedean Bomar, a fashion merchandising student at Angelo State University, was named Golden Heart of the Year at the Texas Omicron Sigma Phi Epsilon Initiation Banquet and Ball . . .

February 11, 1965—Gregario Ortega performed an act of heroism recently which undoubtedly saved the life of his fellow workman, Henry Juarez, 27. Both men are employed by Rhode Pipe Company, and were unloading a ditching machine on the Gale McPherson place about eleven miles south of Rock Creek. As the machine was being unloaded, its uppermost part became entangled in an overhead powerline and the broken end of the line whipped Juarez across the face as it fell across the machine. Without thinking of his personal safety, Ortega climbed onto the trailer and knocked Juarez to the ground. McPherson and Ortega began giving Juarez mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, and when he began breathing again they rushed him to the Lockney Hospital . . . Robert Hughes has been listed on the honor roll at Texas University for the fall semester . . . The spacious new home of Mrs. L. E. Davis was the scene of a miscellaneous shower honoring Miss Klela O'Neal, bride-elect of Ralph Dunn, Saturday . . . Mr. and Mrs. Jack Vines are parents of a son, Clinton Wayne . . . Mr. and Mrs. Ted Vardell are parents of a daughter, Julie Leann . . . Virginia May was in Plainview recently for a medical checkup . . . Mrs. H. C. Mercer remains a patient at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo . . . Sandi Rhode, Monty Smith and Johan Bull-Njaa entertained the student body in assembly February

5. They sang three numbers, accompanied by Johan on the guitar . . . Owlettes defeat Springlake girls . . . Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Grabbe and Kevin Brent have recently moved to Tulia . . . Mrs. Annie Williams went to Amarillo Tuesday to spend a few days with her son and family . . . Mrs. E. L. Stephens was a patient in Swisher County Hospital early this week . . .

February 10, 1955—Grandma (Mrs. William M.) Vaughan, Briscoe County's eldest citizen, celebrated her 103rd birthday on January 30 at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. A. Stephens . . . Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Morriss to be honored on fiftieth anniversary here Sunday . . . Petition expected soon asking for school bonds to build rooms and gym . . . Mildred Brooks received the \$25.00 award

Saturday in the You All Come Day program. Jim Cline received the \$10.00 and John Lee Francis was not present to receive his award . . . Larry West, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. (Shorty) West is the winner of the 1954 4-H Club Cotton Contest. He made a whopping 1010.2 pounds of lint cotton per acre on five acres. Second-place winner was Bobby Crass and third place went to Jerry McWilliams. Fourth place went to James Roy Brown . . . Silverton is one of 170 Texas cities chosen as observation points in an official U. S. Weather Bureau study of conditions which produce tornadoes and other severe storms. A microbarograph which records around-the-clock barometric pressure has been placed in the hands of Weather Observer Ray C. Bomar . . . Mrs. Clarence Anderson and Susie were

in Lubbock Monday to get Susan fitted for new glasses . . . Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Teeple attended the Fort Worth Fat Stock Show from Tuesday through Thursday of last week . . . Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hunt, Frankie Lou and Gary visited Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Hunt's sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Gerdes and children in Tulia . . . Alton and Jim Edd Steele spent the weekend in Lubbock visiting Mrs. Steele at Abel's Sanitarium . . .

February 8, 1945—Mrs. Bertha Denham has received word that her son, Tony, who was reported "missing in action" is now found to have been wounded in Belgium . . . The marriage

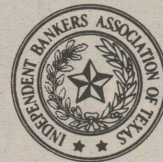
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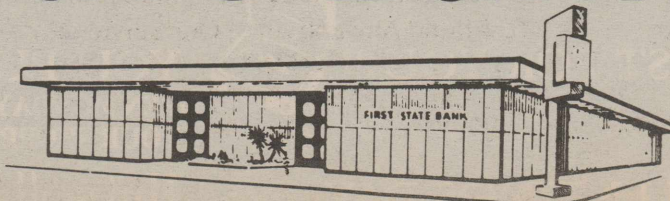
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Owls, Lady Owls Drop Games To Hedley Friday

The thing that Coach Roger Whipkey and his Lady Owls hoped wouldn't happen did happen Friday night when the Green Owls from Hedley came to call. The Red Birds got into foul trouble early and dropped the match 49-50 after leading throughout most of the game. The Owls played hard, but had a poor shooting third quarter that left them in a 50-58 deficit at the final buzzer.

Lacy Brunson led the offense for the Lady Owls by scoring 14 points. Leslee Weaks also scored in double figures with 10. Adding to the score were Brandi Brunson, eight; Shannon Weaver, six on two three-point shots;

Dedra Johnston, five with one three pointer; Shauna Kingery, one three pointer; Lori Brannon, two, and Michelle Warren, one point.

Scores at the ends of the quarters were: 19-5, 33-24, 42-39, 49-50.

The Red Owls came out hustling in their game and the first quarter ended with the locals trailing by two, which was considerably better than their first quarter at Hedley when they trailed 21-6 at the first buzzer. At halftime, they continued to trail by two points, but fell behind in the third quarter 28-42. They finished trailing 50-58.

Brandon Sarchet led the offense by scoring 15 points and Jack Cherry also caged in double figures with 13. Arnold Garza added eight; Trey Wyatt, seven; Cy Comer, three, and Zeb Holt and Jon Ivory, two points each. Three pointers were scored by Sarchet (3) and Wyatt (1).

Go Owls, Lady Owls!

Owls, Lady Owls Split Pair of Games With Samnorwood Here

The Samnorwood teams came to call on the Owls and Lady Owls Tuesday night of last week, and the teams split a pair of games. The Lady Owls won the first half of their district campaign by taking their match 65-36.

Six of the Lady Owls scored, five of them in double figures. Lacy Brunson led the offense with 16 points. Brandi Brunson got 12; Lori Brannon, 11; Dedra Johnston and Leslee Weaks, 10 points each; and Michelle Warren, six points. Dedra scored a three.

Leading at the end of each quarter, the Lady Owls jumped out to an early 15-6 advantage and went ahead 32-17 before halftime. They led 45-24 at the end of three quarters.

The Owls scored only 42 points in their game after trailing: 3-17, 19-39, 34-67.

Jack Cherry scored a big 29 points for the Owls. Also scoring were Jon Ivory, six; Trey Wyatt, three points in one shot; Zeb Holt and Cy Comer, two points each.

Red Birds Win Games At Hedley

Silverton's Junior High Owls and Lady Owls traveled to Hedley Monday night for their last games of the season, and brought home four big victories.

The seventh grade Lady Owls led off the action with a 28-11 win. They led at the end of each quarter: 4-0, 14-3, 20-6, 28-11.

Dara Johnston and Kenda Wood led the offense for the Red Owls by scoring 12 points each. Lisa Comer and Lori Edwards caged two points each. Also playing were Kayla Davis, Vanessa Reyna and Misti Mattheus.

When the seventh grade Owls played, all nine team members shared the

scoring. Nathan Francis led the offense by scoring 12 points. Also scoring were Jordan Sarchet, eight; Paul Donahoo, Mickey Juarez, Paul Segura and Charlie Bomar, six points each; Daniel Reagan and Ryan Minyard, four points each; Vince Cruz, two points.

The Red Birds led at the end of each quarter: 20-2, 34-6, 44-8, 54-13.

The eighth grade Lady Owls played to a 39-19 advantage over the Hedley girls. They held big leads at the end of each quarter: 12-5, 15-12, 26-16, 39-19.

Dara Ramsey led the scoring with 13 points to her credit. Adding to the score were Misty Wilkinson, eight; Sara Kirchoffner and Destiny Ivory, six points each; Lindsey Jennings, four, and Lindsey Weaks, two points. All of the players scored.

The eighth grade Red Birds jumped out to an early lead and were never headed as all players saw action in the game. At the end of the first quarter they led 8-4 and were ahead 23-12 at the midway stop.

Jared Holt led the offense by scoring 14 points. Also adding to the score were Jeremy Holt, seven; Jay Arnold, six; Matt Martin, four; David Donahoo and Donny Burson, two points each. Also playing were Lorn Estes and Junior Castillo.

These were the last scheduled junior high games of the season, and probably when the eighth graders are seen in uniform again they will be playing for Silverton High School.

Silverton School Activities

Monday, Feb. 13--In-service; no school; Lady Owls Playoff Game, 7:00 p.m., Clarendon

Tuesday, Feb. 14--Blood Pressure Clinic, City Hall

Thursday, Feb. 16--SCS Poster Banquet, Cafeteria, 7:00

Friday, Feb. 17--Girls Bi-District B-Ball

Tuesday, Feb. 21--PTA Meeting; Girls Area B-Ball; Well-Baby Clinic

Thursday, Feb. 23--Dental Health Program, K-5, 10:00

Friday and Saturday, Feb. 24-25--Girls Regional B-Ball

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Happy 40th!

Cotton Production Meeting To Be Held Here Thursday Night

Plains Cotton Growers Association will be conducting a cotton production meeting Thursday, February 9, 1995, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Briscoe County Showbarn in Silverton. In conjunction with this meeting there will be an election of a director to represent Briscoe County in the Plains Cotton Growers Association.

Silverton Volunteer Fire Department will be preparing hamburgers and all the trimmings.

Current county directors, George Reed and Rex Johnson, would like to invite all producers, businesspeople and anyone else interested to attend this meeting.

A PCG representative will conduct the election, review and answer questions about recent and planned PCG activities, including the proposed implementation of an Enhanced Boll Weevil Control Program for the High Plains. In addition to the PCG program, Lavon Harmon of the Texas Department of Agriculture also will be providing two Continuing Education Units (CEU's) in Laws and Regulations to licensed producers who attend the meeting.

Silverton School Lunchroom Menu

Monday, Feb. 13—No School
 Tuesday, Feb. 14—Sausage Pizza, Salad, Buttered Corn, Crackers, Fruit, Milk
 Wednesday, Feb. 15—Nachos with Chili and Cheese, Hot Sauce, Tossed Salad, Pinto Beans, Cornbread, Cookie, Milk
 Thursday, Feb. 16—Steak, Gravy, Green Beans, Mashed Potatoes, Hot Roll, Syrup, Butter, Milk
 Friday, Feb. 17—Hamburger, Cheese, Fries, Salad, Milk

BREAKFAST

Monday, Feb. 13—No School
 Tuesday, Feb. 14—Ham and Cheese Biscuit, Juice, Milk
 Wednesday, Feb. 15—Cinnamon Toast, Juice, Milk
 Thursday, Feb. 16—Sausage and Pancake on a Stick, Juice, Milk
 Friday, Feb. 17—Cheese Toast, Juice, Milk

Silverton Public Library News

New books given to the library include:

"I'll Be Seeing You," a Mary Higgins Clark paperback;

"The Door To December," by Dean Koontz, a paperback;

"Debt of Honor," a hardback by Tom Clancy. Called out of retirement to serve as the new President's National Security Advisor, Jack Ryan quickly realizes that the problems of peace are fully as complex as those of war. Enemies have become friends, friends enemies, and even the form of conflict has changed.

"The Plains of Passage," by Jean M. Auel. Ayla, the heroine first introduced in "The Clan of the Cave Bear," is known and beloved by millions of readers. The Earth's Children series is a fresh and new as the young earth itself. Ayla and Jondalar set out on horseback across the windswept grasslands of Ice Age Europe. This book is a novel of discovery, danger, and love. "The Plains of Passage" is the fifth novel in this series.

Senior Citizens To Serve Hamburgers

Silverton Senior Citizens will be serving mesquite-grilled hamburgers at a luncheon Friday, February 24, beginning at 11:30 a.m. at the Center.

The burgers with all the trimmings will be served with homemade cookies, chips, tea or coffee for \$4.00 per plate.

The Senior Citizens invite you to come to their luncheon, and support them in this money-making project which will be raising funds to support the Center.

Happy Birthday To . . .

February 9—Jim Reid III, Bern May
 February 10—Russell Bingham, Adelmira Ramirez, Lottie Owens, Ken Sarchet, Kent Holt, Lottie Garrison
 February 12—Doug Coleman, Wade Greeson, Jane Pigg
 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 Weeks, Angie Lewis

Happy Anniversary To . . .

February 11—Mr. and Mrs. Harold Storie

February 12—Mr. and Mrs. Oner Cornett, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Brannon
 February 14—Mr. and Mrs. Bill Boling, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Estes, Mr. and Mrs. David Reagan, Mr. and Mrs. Greg Huddleston

Attend The Firemen's Ball, February 11

FINAL MARK DOWNS

On Winter Merchandise

THIS WEEK ONLY!

Tiffin's Dept. Store

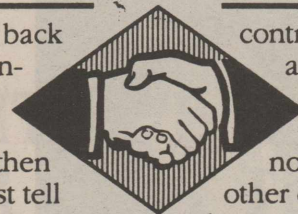
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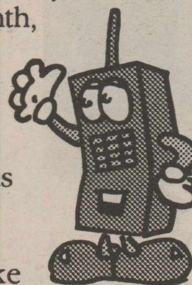
TOLL-FREE CALLING

With Digital Cellular, you can call anywhere in Texas, New Mexico or Oklahoma from Digital Cellular's home service area without paying any long distance charges! You pay only the regular airtime rates applicable! So whether you are on a tractor near Tahoka or in a car close to Cone, Digital Cellular puts you on the line to family, friends or business associates in all three states for just pennies a minute! Toll-free calling is available to all callers, including non-Digital Cellular customers.



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If you use your cellular phone regularly then Option 2 could be just the thing for you! With Option 2, after you have talked just 120 minutes from your home system in a given month, every home minute for the entire month, from the first minute to the last, is charged to you at only 25¢! That's big savings to you if you use your cellular phone as little as 2 hours a month. You also get all of Digital Cellular's free services, like 6-Second Billing (one minute minimum on completed calls), Detailed Billing, Call Forwarding and Call Waiting,



3-Way Calling, and Incoming and Outgoing Call Restriction. Plus, Option 2 customers get Voice Mail free! Some other cellular phone companies charge for services like these, but they're FREE from Digital Cellular. Also free to Option 1 customers are 6-Second Billing, Call Forwarding and Call Waiting; and 3-Way Calling!

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We've extended our call delivery area to include most of the South Plains and part of West Texas. You can receive calls throughout the entire Digital Cellular Coverage Area, without having to activate or pay for any special roaming services, while traveling in the extended coverage area.



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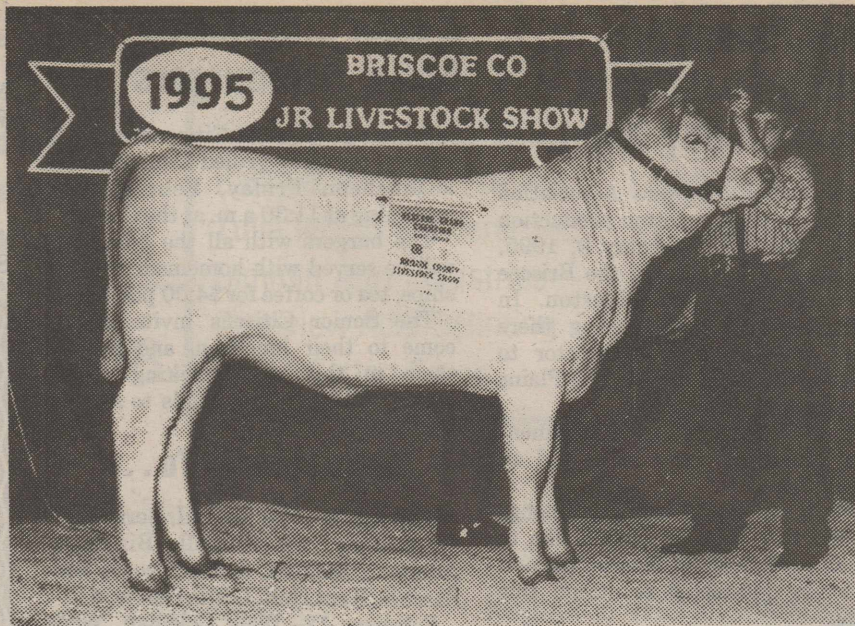
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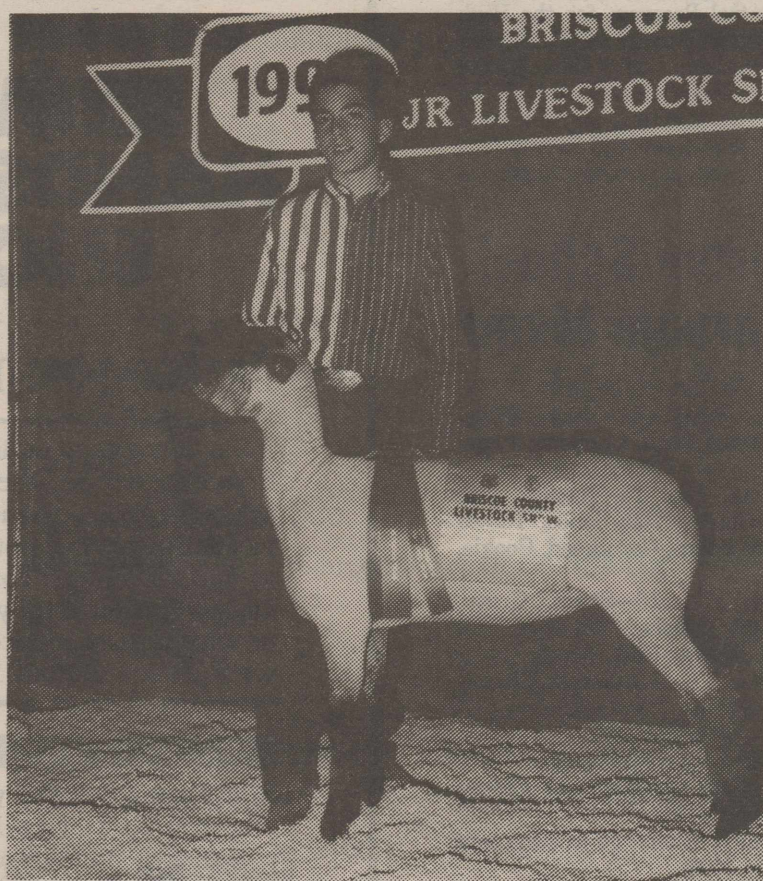
Kenda Wood and her Grand Champion of the Market Swine Show.



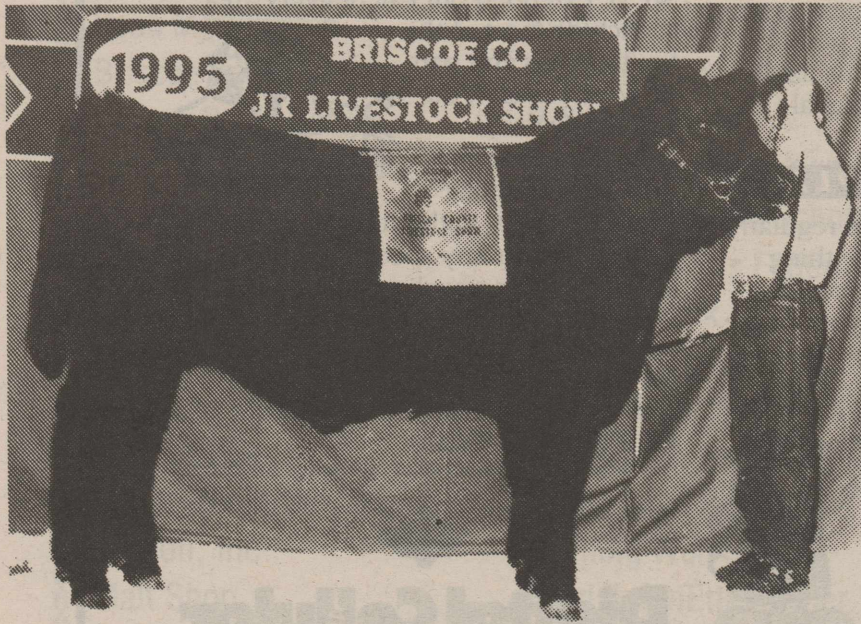
Kenda Wood and her Reserve Champion Charolais heifer.



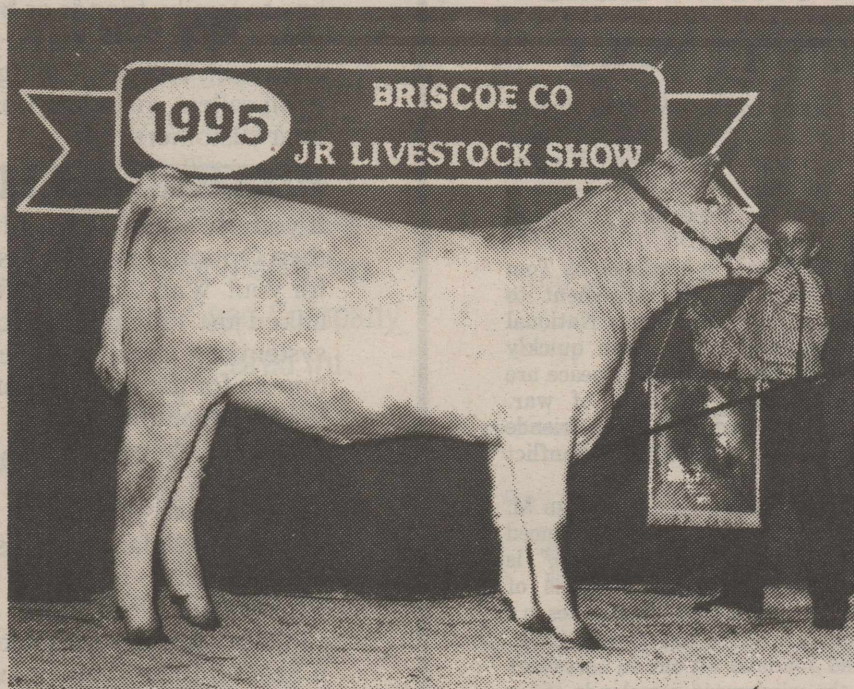
Kassie Strange and her Grand Champion Lamb.



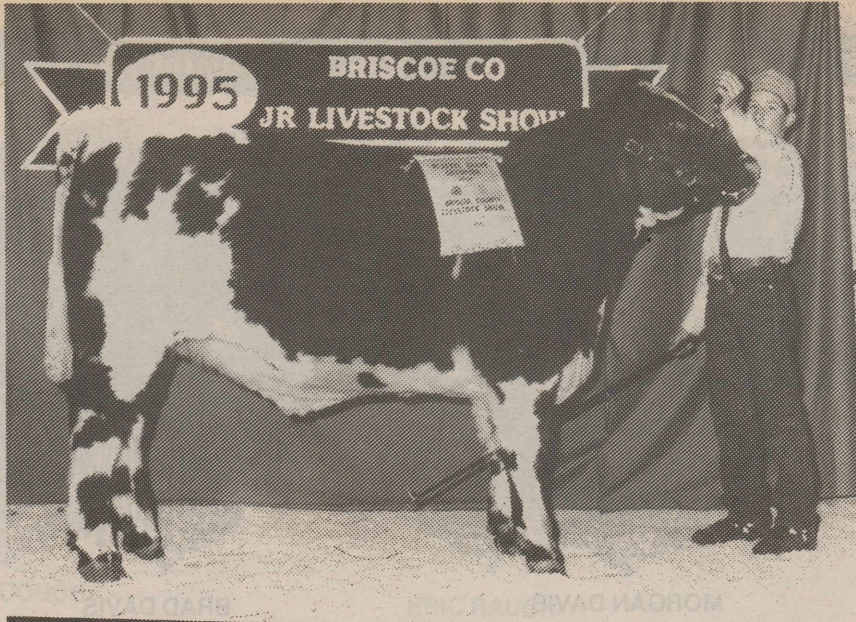
Matt Strange and his Reserve Champion Lamb. Matt also won the Lamb Showmanship Award.



Leland Wood and his Grand Champion European steer.



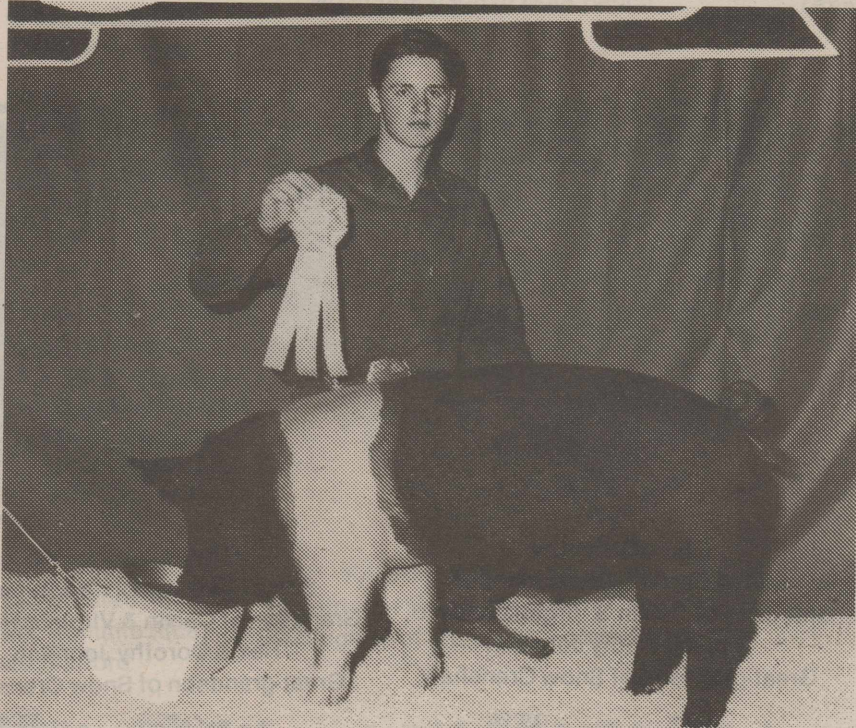
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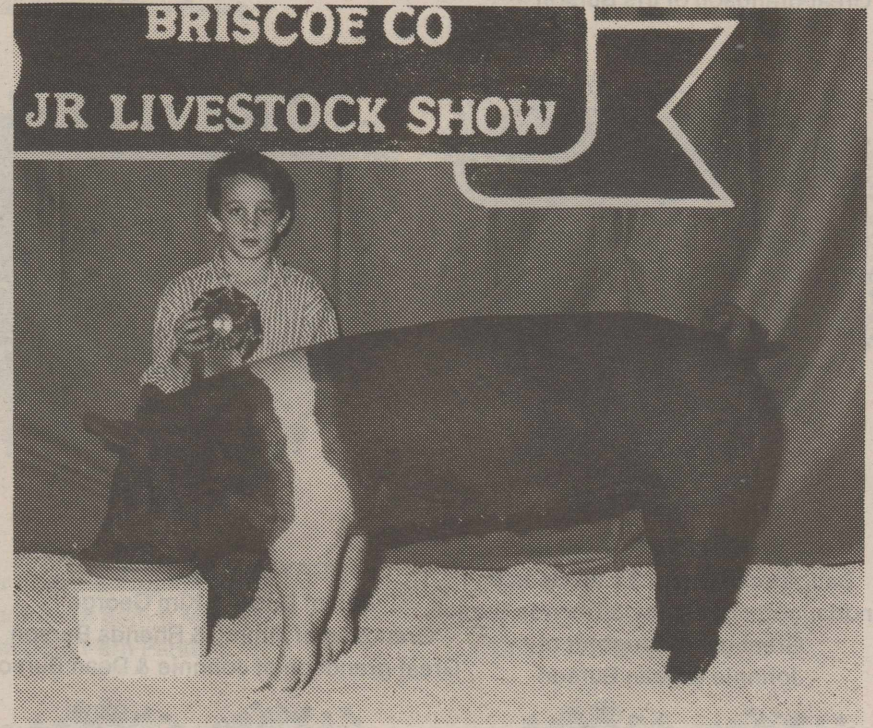
Leland Wood and his British Reserve Champion steer.



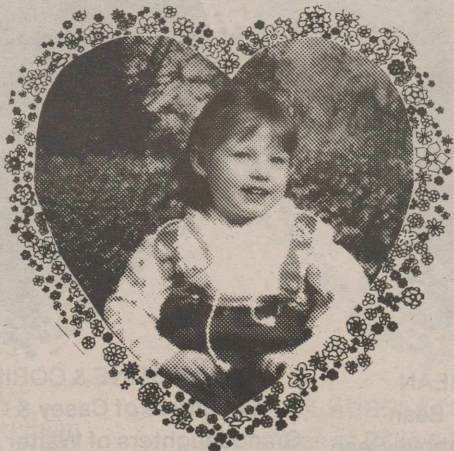
Jenny Young and her Duroc Breed Champion.



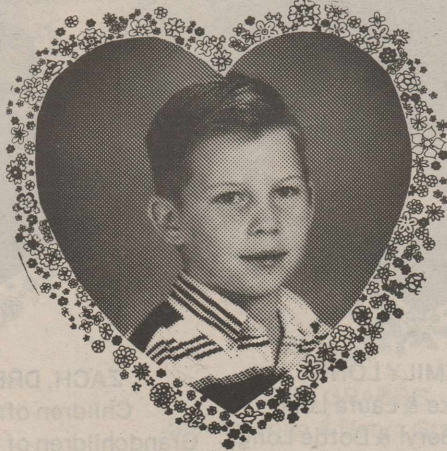
Jack Cherry and his Hampshire Reserve Breed Champion.



Monty Wood and his Hampshire Breed Champion.



HEATHER BROWN
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Granddaughter of Spud & Betty Tiffin
Great-granddaughter of Mabel Tomlin
and Vivian Tiffin



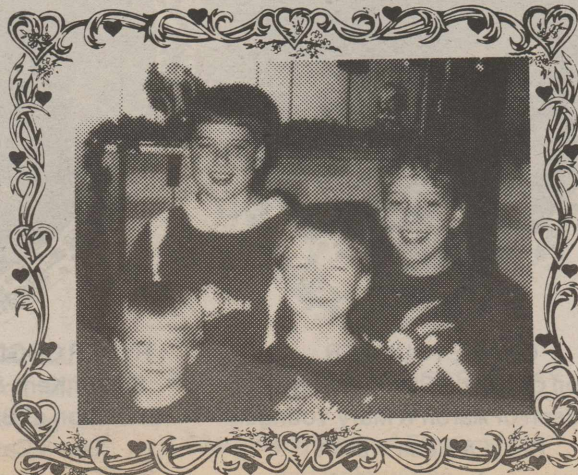
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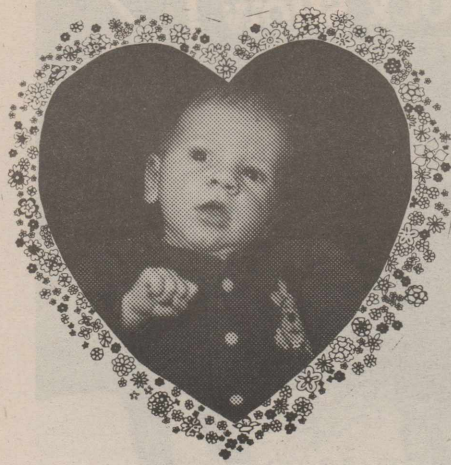
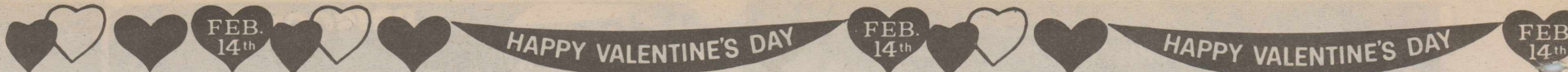
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Granddaughter of Spud & Betty Tiffin
Great-granddaughter of Mabel Tomlin
and Vivian Tiffin



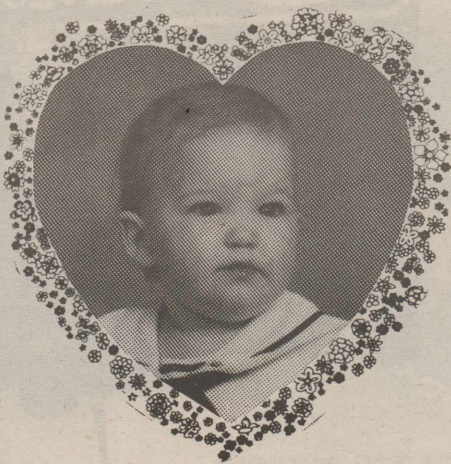
BRITTANY BROWN
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Grandchildren of Spud & Betty Tiffin
Great-granddaughter of Mabel Tomlin
and Vivian Tiffin



PAYTON & SHANE ESTES
Sons of Ross & Melissa Estes
Grandsons of Jimmy & Madeline Stone,
Dewey & Jimmie Estes
Great-grandsons of Lois & Mable Stone,
Jack & Edna Estes, Erlene Barbour
ANDREW & AMBER STONE
Children of Jimmy & Terri Stone
Grandchildren of Jimmy & Madeline Stone,
Paul & Jan Ramsey
Great-grandchildren of Lois & Mable Stone



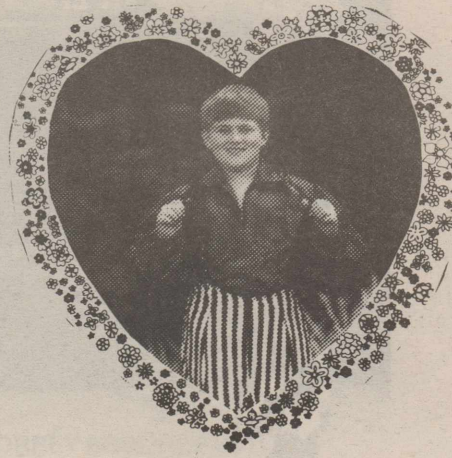
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Son of Kelly & Clipper Dunbar
Grandson of Corky & Betty Kirk
Great-grandson of Iris Burson



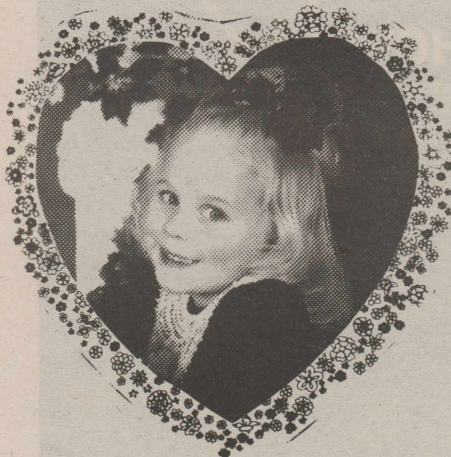
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Granddaughter of Carol & Mary Davis



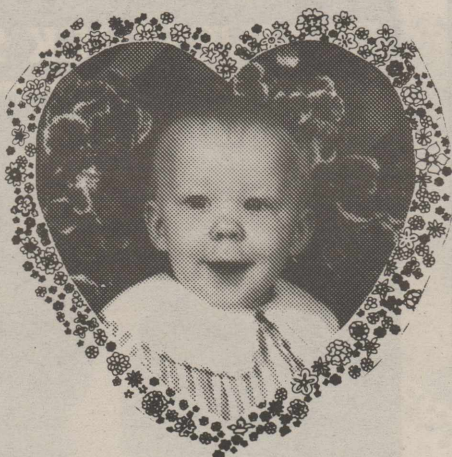
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Granddaughter of Carol & Mary Davis



BRAD DAVIS
Son of Alex & Stephanie Davis
Grandson of Carol & Mary Davis



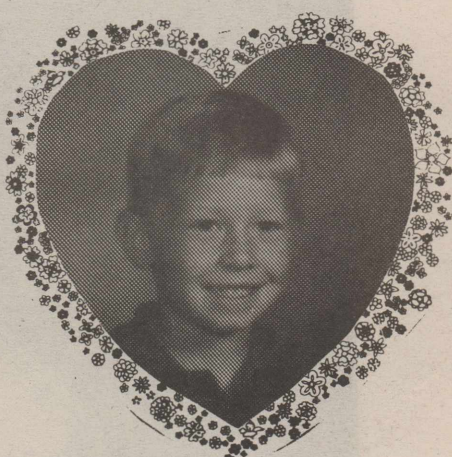
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Great-granddaughter of
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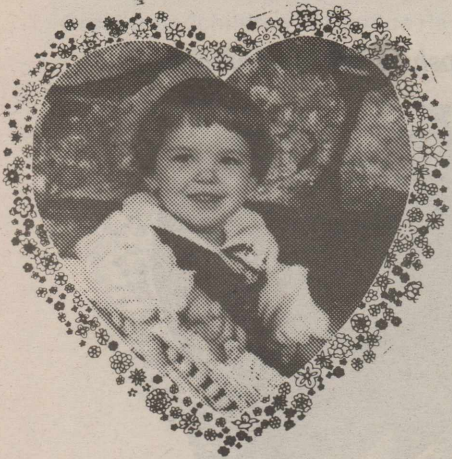
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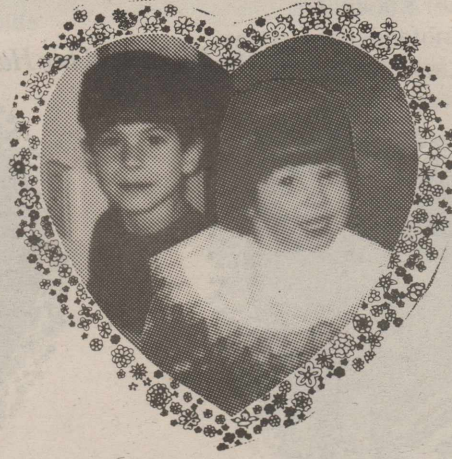
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Rex & Dorothy Johnson
Great-grandson of Snow Crenshaw



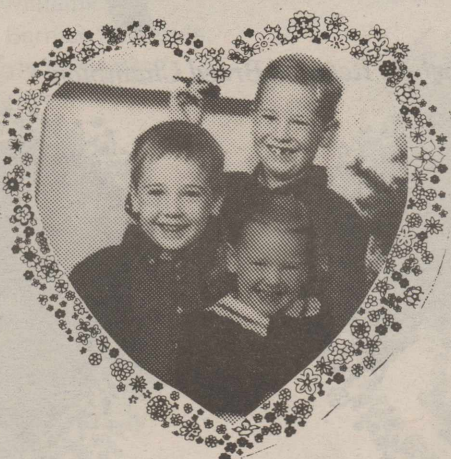
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KHAKI SCRIVNER
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Granddaughter of Lois Cline
and Jim Cline



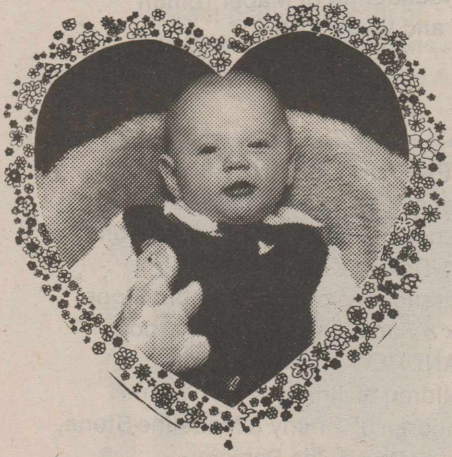
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Grandchildren of Beryl & Dottie Long,
Estella Bauer, John Bauer



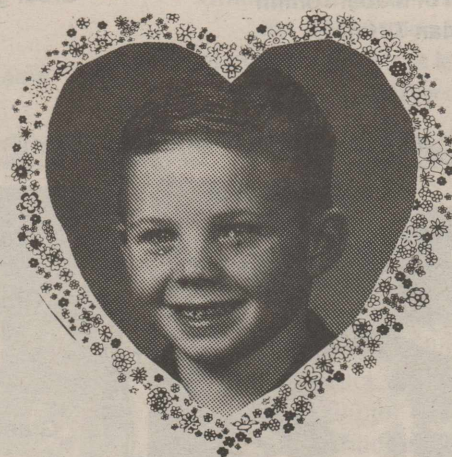
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Eugene & Nancy Pickens
Great-grandchildren of Susie Autry
and Margaret Gower



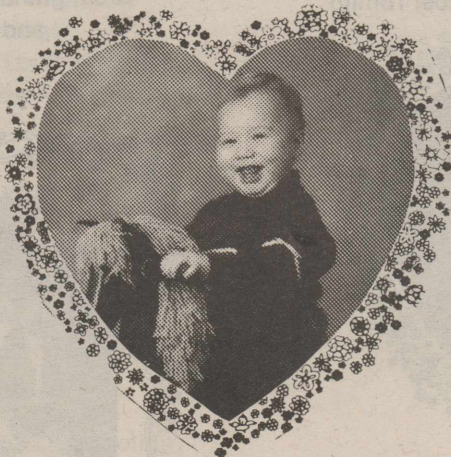
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Daughters of Casey & Corrina Bean
Granddaughters of Walter & Bobbye Bean,
Don Totzke, Josie Boots
Great-granddaughters of Susie Autry,
Bernard & Eunice Parson, Hazel Totzke



BRANNON STEWART
Son of Kyle & Amy Stewart
Grandson of Jerry & Peggy Brannon,
Dean & Pat Stewart
Great-grandson of Seymour & Ruby Brannon
and LaVerne Walker



CHASE YOUNGER
Son of Gary & Susie Younger
Grandson of Aaron & Mary Younger,
David & Reba Tipton
Great-grandson of A. V. Younger
and Anna Belle Tipton



RYDER COGDELL CARPENTER
Son of Kent & Penny Carpenter
Grandson of Billy & Bette Cogdell,
Lee & Carole Carpenter
Great-grandson of Moree Barnes,
Marguerite Holland and Adele Carpenter



ROWDY LUKE COGDELL
Son of Rank & Toy Cogdell
Grandson of Billy & Bette Cogdell,
Bill & Twila Whitten
Great-grandson of Moree Barnes
and Estle Haught

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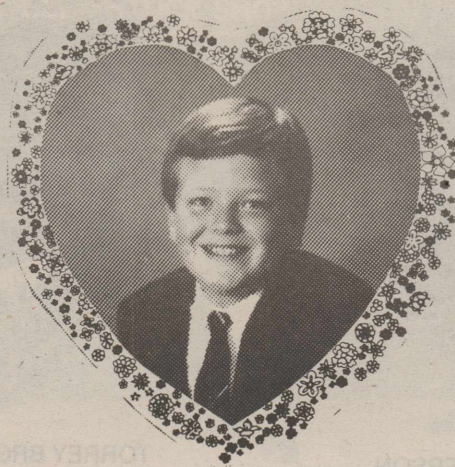
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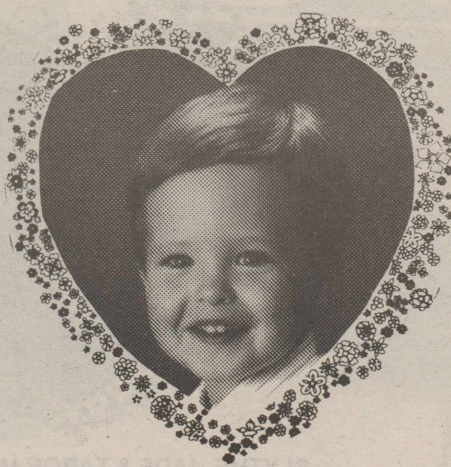
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KYLER COUCH
Son of Kyle & Lupe Couch
Grandson of Stan & Waynelle Couch
and Maria Garcia
Great-grandson of Joyce Smith
and Tince Wellman



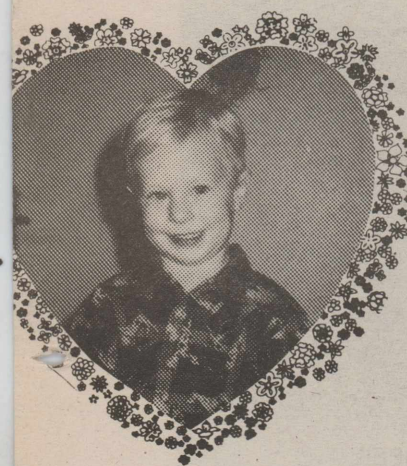
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Son of Marshall & Julie Rauch
Grandson of Bob & Mary Ann Rauch
Great-grandson of Dora Rauch



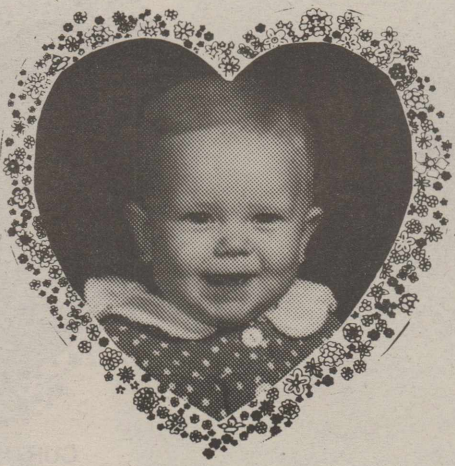
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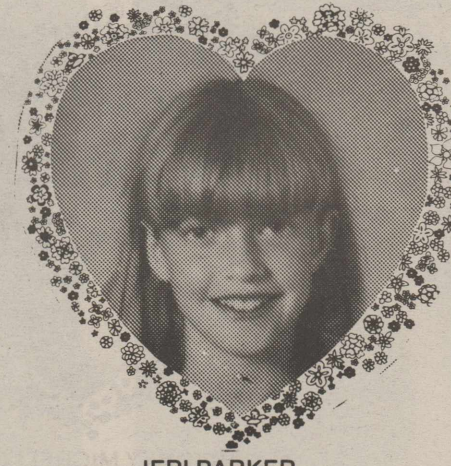
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Sons of Wayne & Robbie Cartrite
Grandsons of Neil & Sybil King



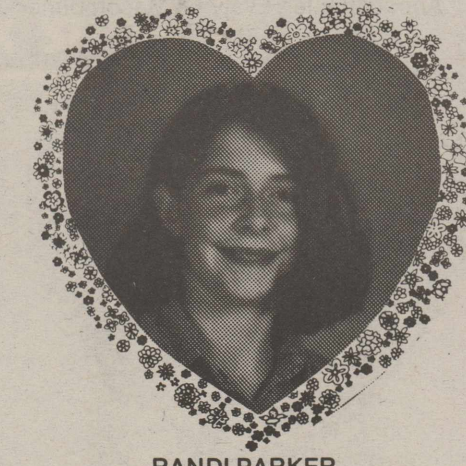
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Son of Wesley & Tammi Stafford
Grandson of Mr. & Mrs. Tommie Rice,
Mr. & Mrs. Gale Stafford



KARAMI NOEL RICE
Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kirk Rice
Granddaughter of Mr. & Mrs. Tommie Rice



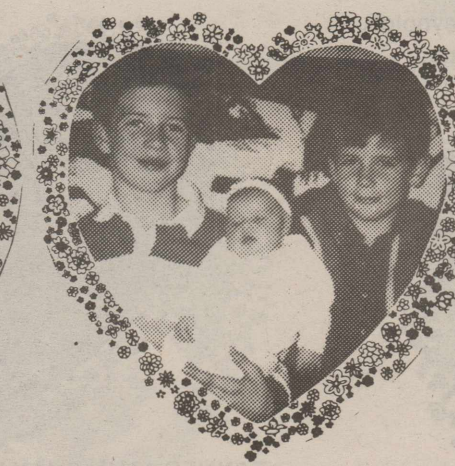
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Granddaughter of Sam & Mary Day,
Charlie & Fern Parker



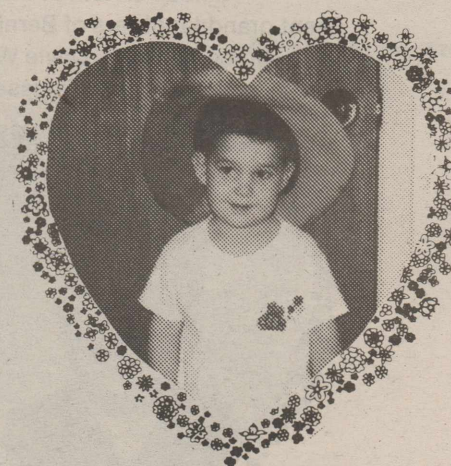
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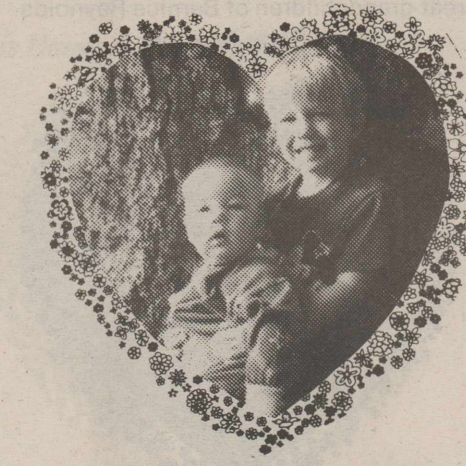
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G. B. & Naomi Johnston
Great-grandson of Susie Autry



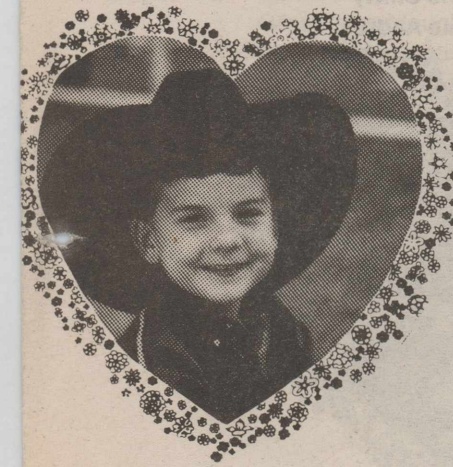
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Grandchildren of Louise Ingle,
Harvey & Patricia McJimsey



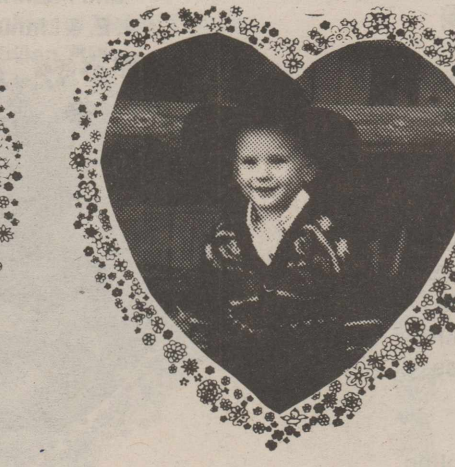
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Son of Sloan & Debra Grabbe
Grandson of Louis & Alice Grabbe,
Tommy & Jerri Martin
Great-grandson of Annie Grabbe
and Artie Martin



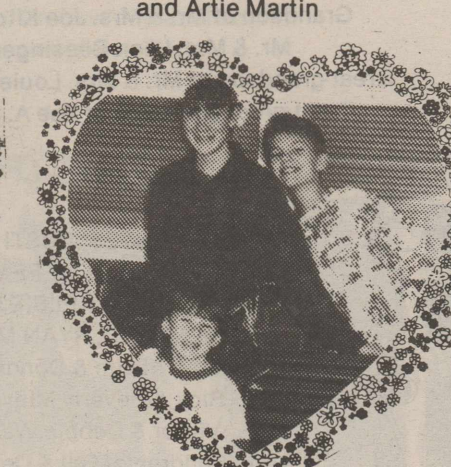
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Great-grandsons of Annie Grabbe



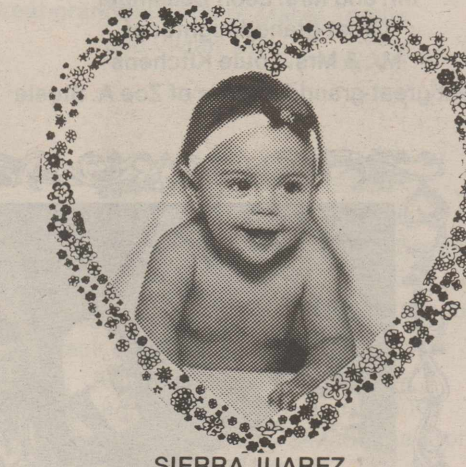
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Son of Dick & Kippi Cogdell
Grandson of Billy & Bette Cogdell,
Don & Glenna Crooks
Great-grandson of Moree Barnes,
Dorothy Tullis, Mr. & Mrs. C. E. Crooks



BLAZE MUNSEY COGDELL
Son of Dick & Kippi Cogdell
Grandson of Billy & Bette Cogdell,
Don & Glenna Crooks
Great-grandson of Moree Barnes,
Dorothy Tullis, Mr. & Mrs. C. E. Crooks



SARAH, KATIE & MARGARET MAY
Daughters of Alvin & Kathy May
Granddaughters of Ethelyn May
and Helen Allen



SIERRA JUAREZ
Daughter of Dewayne & Valeria Juarez
Great-granddaughter of Mary H. Valdez,
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Dolores James, Gladys Taylor
Great-great-granddaughter of Ninfa Valdez,
Pete & Josie Cebantes

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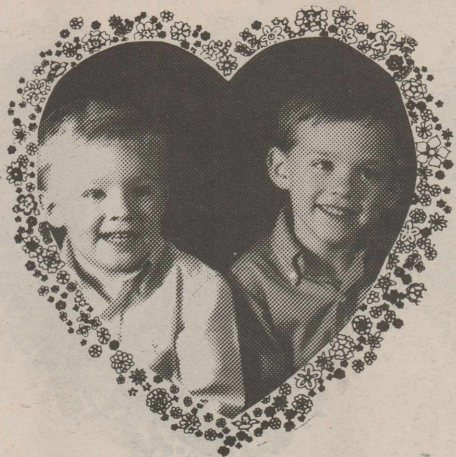
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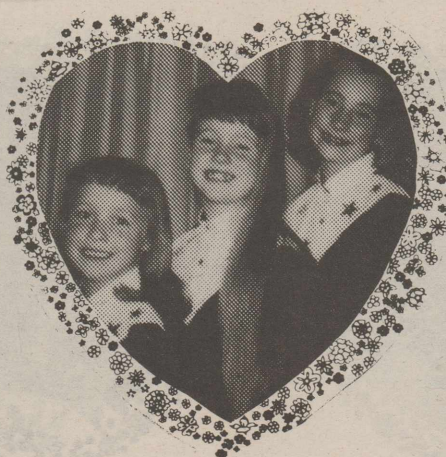


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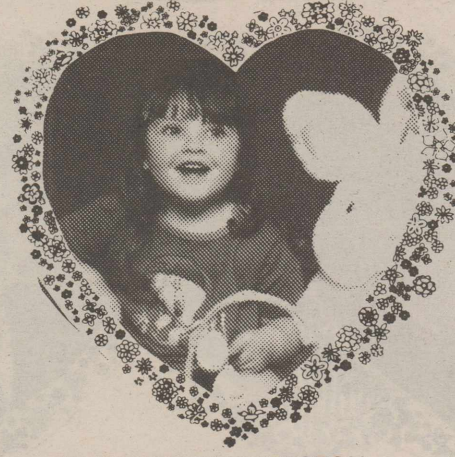
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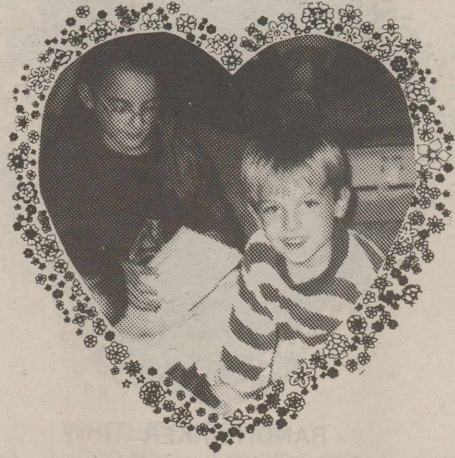
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Grandsons of Jerry & Brenda Patton,
Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Ulmer,
Mr. & Mrs. Spencer Gillespie
Great-grandsons of Oner & Elsie Cornett,
Ellie Nutt, Lallie Patton, Bill & Faye Partin,
Annabell Eller, Evelyn & Macon Ulmer



BLYTHE, JADE & TABOR McPHERSON
Daughters of Bobby & Kim McPherson
Granddaughters of Mr. & Mrs. Don Cornett,
Glenna Cornett, Robert & Betty McPherson
Great-granddaughters of Mildred Thompson
Oner & Elsie Cornett



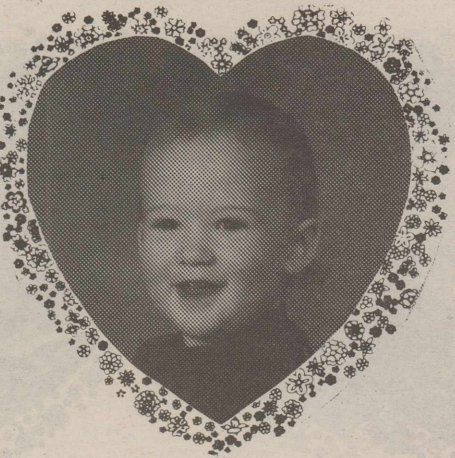
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Mr. & Mrs. Dwight Ramsey
Great-granddaughter of Mrs. Olene Edwards,
Mr. & Mrs. Billie Fuston,
Mrs. Grace Anderson



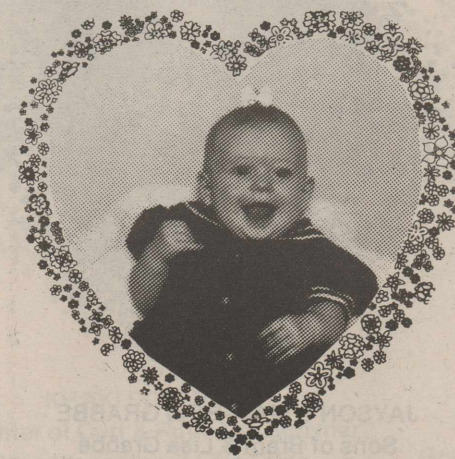
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Grandchildren of Duane & Shirley Reynolds,
Thelma & Glen Bailey
Great-grandchildren of Bernice Reynolds
and Ruby Jackson



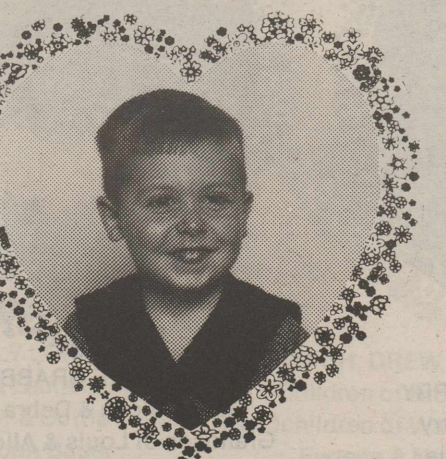
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Granddaughters of
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Ellison & Ruth Williams
Great-granddaughters of Bernice Reynolds,
Grace Williams, Doyle Williams
and Harold Rousser



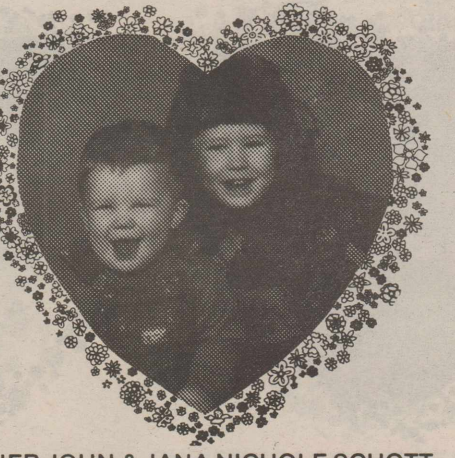
CURTIS REED
Son of Wendell & Gina Reed
Grandson of Jimmy & Mary Myers,
Gaye & Glenn Childers, George & Roy Reed
Great-grandson of Gladys Welch,
Ike & Thelma Smith, Lottie Garrison



HALEY MICHELLE BEESINGER
Daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Rick Beesinger
Granddaughter of Mr. & Mrs. Joe Kitchens,
Mr. and Mrs. Leon Beesinger
Great-granddaughter of
Mr. & Mrs. Louie Kitchens
Great-great-granddaughter of Zoe A. Steele



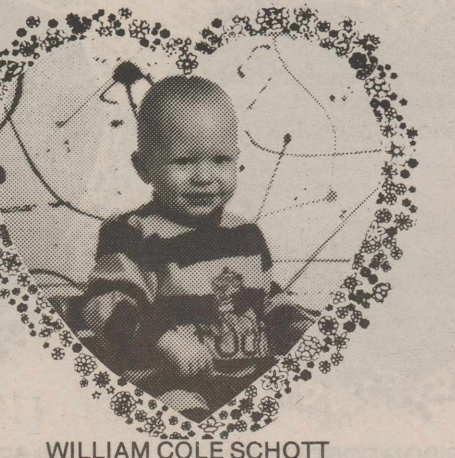
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Mr. & Mrs. Leon Beesinger
Great-grandson of Mr. & Mrs. Louie Kitchens
Great-great-grandson of Zoe A. Steele



TANNER JOHN & JANA NICHOLE SCHOTT
Children of Bryan & Lisa Schott
Grandchildren of John & LaQuetta Schott,
Charles & Janis Andrus
Great-grandchildren of Rena Schott
and Pauline Chitty
J. E. & Linnie Andrus



**AMANDA ESTES, DUSTI WEAKS,
BRADEN ESTES, JEFF WEAKS,
MISTI WEAKS, KELSIE ESTES,
ERIC MINYARD, RYAN MINYARD**
Children of Jim & Donna Estes,
Rick & Beverly Minyard,
Victor & Debbie Weaks
Grandchildren of Bill & Della Boling,
Elvira Weaks, Dewey & Jimmie Estes
Great-grandchildren of Jack & Edna Estes
and Erlene Barbour



WILLIAM COLE SCHOTT
Son of Clay & Tracy Schott
Grandson of John & LaQuetta Schott
Great-grandson of Rena Schott,
Pauline Chitty, Lena Patterson,
Shorty Goodin

FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD

SUNDAY:
 Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
 Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
 Evening Worship 5:00 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..... 7:30 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
 Bryan Donahoo, Pastor

SUNDAY:
 Library Opens 9:15 a.m.
 Bible Study/S.S. 9:30 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.

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST
 CHURCH**

SUNDAY:
 Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
 Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
 Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
 Youth Group 7:00 p.m.
FIRST MONDAY:
 United Methodist Men . 6:00 a.m.
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Swisher Electric will have a representative visiting area high schools during the last two weeks of February to present a program about the trip, hand out entry forms and answer questions about the contest. Those interested, who do not hear more about the contest through their school, should contact Kacy Bivens at Swisher Electric Cooperative in Tulia, at 995-3567 or 1-800-530-4344.

The deadline for receiving entry forms is March 21.

The 1995 Youth Tour is scheduled June 8-20. The winners of Swisher Electric's speech contest will travel to Denton, Texas, where they will join other young people from all over Texas for the trip to Washington.

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

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Time to Recertify For Commodities

It is time, once again, to re-certify to receive commodities. This may be done in the office of the Briscoe County Judge, and needs to be done before commodities are given again.

Commodities will be given on Thursday, February 16, at 9:00 a.m. Please bring a box or sack to use for carrying home your commodities.

OBITUARIES

VIRGINIA (TILLIE) MAY

Graveside services for Virginia (Tillie) May, 85, were conducted in the Silvertown Cemetery at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, February 2, with the Rev. Edwin Norris, interim pastor of the Silvertown United Methodist Church, officiating.

Burial arrangements were made by Myers-Long Funeral Directors.

Miss May died Tuesday, January 31, in Levelland. She had resided at a care facility there for the past several years.

Born in Housson, Louisiana, she was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. May. She was a retired sales clerk and baby sitter, and was a member of the Methodist Church.

Survivors include a brother, Elmer May of Auburn, Alabama; two sisters, Frances Womack of Auburn and Erma Lee Buchard of Des Moines, New Mexico, and several nieces and nephews, including Van May of Silvertown.

The family requested that memorials be made to the Silvertown Cemetery Association or other favorite charity.

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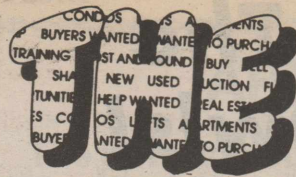


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Thank you, dear friends and family, for the many blessings you have bestowed on Gerald, Lance and me these last four months. Your prayers have been deeply felt, for God is our great physician. I have enjoyed each of your visits, calls, cards, beautiful flowers and wonderful food that has really helped Lance and Gerald with our meals. I appreciate each of you and the prayers you continue to pray for me.

Love,
Raye

Today the world is a sadder, smaller place because a lovely woman named Ruth is no longer with us.

Ruth loved and cared for people. She was lively and energetic. She had a great interest in life and all the things around her.

We shall all miss her and be less for her no longer being with us. But we are more for having been blessed with her presence in our lives.

These words were written by her sister-in-law, Miriam.

She would have liked to thank each and everyone of you for all the kind things you have done. The calls and visits at the hospital this past year. The food, flowers, cards and memorials sent this past week in her memory and especially all the prayers said for her and her family.

May God bless all of you.
The family of Ruth West

To my wonderful and loving friends here in Silverton: a BIG thanks for the deliveries of food. We have the Best Cooks in the World! The beautiful flowers, the sweet and loving cards, the special prayers, the much-needed visits are appreciated as well as all of the churches for the special prayers.

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Once again we thank the beautiful caring people of our community—those who sent flowers, gave memorials to the various organizations of our town in memory of Ewing Vaughan—the Ambulance Service, the Fire Department, the Cemetery Association and the Senior Citizens.

Thanks for the phone calls, food at the church and brought to the home, for the cards and visits.

Our appreciation to Bro. Bryan Donahoo who came to the hospital, and to Dwain and Shirley Henderson, who also came to the hospital.

Words cannot express our appreciation for what all of you have done for us.

The family of Ewing Vaughan
Louise Vaughan
Helen Youngquist and family
Ronald Vaughan and family
Robert, Larita, Gaylon, Glenda,
Douglas and Delton, the grandchildren

I would like to thank everyone for their cards, calls, flowers, visits and prayers since I had surgery on my knee. I appreciate each and everyone's acts of kindness. God bless each of you.
Clifton Stodghill

We greatly appreciate the kindness of our Silverton friends during our loss of Tillie. You were a comfort and blessing with your words of remembrance. Thank you for your warm thoughts and we pray for God's best to you and your families.

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I want to thank all the pallbearers and I want to thank everyone for each prayer and word of comfort.
Lottie Owens and family

Dear Rock Creek Quilting Club,
Thank you so much for Ian's cute dinosaur quilt. You all are very sweet to remember us!
Love,
Kelly, Clipper and Ian Dunbar

Thank you for your cards, calls, visits and prayers during my recuperation from knee surgery. I am home and doing well.
J. D. Nance

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TELCOT Report

A WEEKLY SUMMARY OF
COTTON MARKETING NEWS

For The Week Ending Feb. 2

Higher prices for upland cotton, up 14 cents per pound from a year ago, means increased income for producers and savings for the taxpayer, according to Grant Buntrock, acting executive vice president of the U. S. Department of Agriculture's Commodity Credit Corporation.

"Strong world-wide cotton demand, combined with poor crops in competing foreign countries, have caused upland cotton prices to rise in a relatively short period of time," Buntrock said. "This results in increased profits for producers that will translate into less cost for taxpayers in deficiency payments."

This week, USDA released the final farm prices for the 1994-95 upland cotton crop. The resulting average price received was 68.28 cents per pound. If this average is subtracted from the target price of 72.90, an estimated final deficiency payment of 4.62 cents remains. A year ago, USDA estimated the final deficiency payment at 12.90 cents per pound and advanced 50 percent of it, equaling 6.45 cents per pound. Because producers were advanced more than the resulting final

deficiency payment, they now owe USDA 1.83 cents per pound.

However, USDA announced, last week, a projected deficiency payment rate of 3.7 cents per pound for the 1995-96 upland cotton crop. If producers are allowed to take their 50 percent advance, the resulting payment will be 1.85 cents per pound, thus offsetting the shortfall for 1994.

Meanwhile, the International Cotton Advisory Committee (ICAC) raised its projection for 1995-96 U. S. cotton production by 1.2 million bales to 20.7 million and raised exports 400,000 bales to 9.2 million. ICAC lowered world production to 85.1 million bales and lowered world consumption to 86.9 million, both down 300,000 bales.

The largest adjustment in the ICAC supply and distribution report was in Pakistan where the crop was lowered by a half million bales to 5.7 million; however, USDA pegs Chinese imports at 1.85 million.

According to U. S. officials, it is becoming increasingly unlikely that the U. S. and China will hold more talks on protecting copyrights for intellectual property before the February 4 U. S.-imposed deadline for sanctions. China has not responded to U. S. Trade Representative Mickey Kantor's invitation to continue talks in Washington this week to avoid imposing 100 percent tariffs on a list of about \$1 billion worth of Chinese goods.

Trade sanctions against China would have very little effect on the U. S. economy, making it more likely that the U. S. will follow up on its threat to impose tariffs, analysts said. According to one market watcher, if sanctions are announced, it will take about a month before they are actually imposed which could allow additional bargaining time. However, traders seem nervous over the lack of a settlement, not knowing how the sanctions might affect the cotton industry.

Adding to the jitters is the fact that the threat of a trade war follows Cotton Outlook's confirmation of an earlier report that the central government of China will subsidize the importation of 2.3 million bales this season.

The Pakistani government has decided to allow duty-free cotton

exports, although exports may not be feasible this season given Pakistan's tight supply situation, sources said. The decision, in effect, would liberalize Pakistan's cotton market by allowing the private sector to export without the restrictions of a government-set minimum export price. But whether the private trade will find enough supplies to export from the weather- and insect-reduced cotton crop is uncertain, the industry source said.

On the home front, spot market sales of Texas/Oklahoma cotton on TELCOT for the five trading days ending February 2 totaled 8,334 bales, up from the previous week's total of 5,907. Average daily prices received by producers selling on the electronic marketing system ranged from 79.37 to 82.22 cents per pound. USDA announced export sales of 1994-95 U. S. cotton increased a net 89,300 bales in the week ended January 26, down from the previous week's figure of 153,400 bales. Featured buyers were China, Hong Kong and Indonesia.

WEATHER

24-HOUR FEBRUARY READINGS

DATE	HIGH	LOW	PRECIP.
1	56	20	
2	74	31	
3	80	35	
4	57	22	
5	73	30	
6	73	27	
7	64	26	
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Normal Precip. in February			.60
Precip. Received Year to Date			.45
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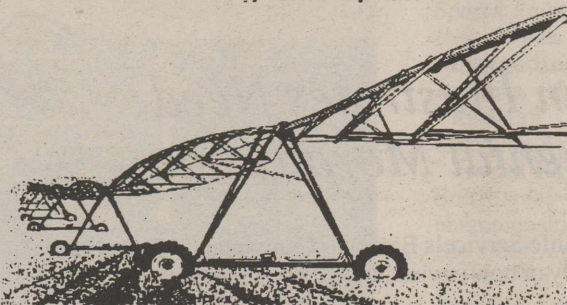
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Providing Retirement Equity for All

Several innovative ideas aimed at providing Americans with better opportunities to save for their retirement are percolating through the 104th Congress.

But before such proposals are enacted, lawmakers first need to make a more basic change in the rules of the game: Provide retirement savings equity to those who work at home.

As the law stands now, non-wage-earning spouses — the majority of whom are women — are allowed to contribute only \$250 annually to an Individual Retirement Account. Wage-earning spouses are allowed to set aside \$2,000 annually exempt from income tax.

This means that the Smith couple, in which both partners work outside the home and earn a salary, is permitted to set aside \$4,000 a year in an IRA and deduct the entire contribution from its taxable income.

But the Joneses, a single-income couple, can deduct only \$2,250 to set aside for their retirement. In other words, the federal government punishes those who stay home to take care of their families when it comes to saving for retirement.

Last week I introduced a bill designed to redress this situation, which I consider to be a glaring inequity in our tax code — and one that, in practice, discriminates against women. The Bureau of Labor Statistics reports that 23 percent of women over the age of 16 in this country are one-wage-earning spouses. So, while the existing law appears gender-neutral, referring only to "spouses," in reality it adversely affects almost a quarter of the adult women in our country.

My bill, which I am co-sponsoring with Sen. Barbara Mikulski of Maryland, would allow homemakers to make contributions equal to that of their spouses to an IRA account.

This reform is critical to the long-term financial security of women. Women live longer than men and earn less money. They leave the workforce to bear children and care for their families. As a result, they begin saving for retirement later than men and save less.

It is unconscionable for our government to sustain a policy that puts so many women at an even greater disadvantage.

This will mean real help for families: Deducting the larger IRA contribution will make a substantial difference in the size of a couple's retirement savings. If a couple is able to contribute \$4,000 a year over 30 years, and earns 6 percent on the investment, their nest egg would be \$146,650 greater than what they would be able to accumulate under the current law.

Equality before the law is a standard in which this country takes great pride. The Homemaker IRA Bill would uphold that standard. There is no defensible reason why those who have chosen homemaking as their life's work should be left to an impoverished retirement.

And it is time for our government to acknowledge that work performed in the home is as important to American society as what goes on in the workplace — maybe more so.

Balcones Plan Illustrates Need for Environmental Moratorium

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Balcones Canyonlands Conservation Plan is a case study of how environmental good intentions can go wrong.

The purpose of this plan is to provide more protected habitat for Texas' Golden-Cheeked Warbler. But it will provide that protection at the expense of certain Travis County property owners.

This plan proposes that owners of nearly 400 single-family lots in Travis County, lots which were subdivided before the area was designated a protected habitat, be allowed to apply for a permit to construct a single-family home — for a fee of \$1,500. Developers are expected to pay even more — up to \$5,000 an acre — to build property they own in certain areas of the warbler's designated habitat which hasn't been subdivided yet.

These permit fees are to be used to acquire nearly 10,000 additional acres of wildlife refuge to provide more habitat, to augment 21,000 acres now set aside for that purpose. And the plan was put forward despite the fact that Travis County residents have voted against spending any more money on refuges.

I consider this plan a flagrant violation of the Takings Clause of the U.S. Constitution. If any nongovernmental organization made such a proposal, it

would be called extortion.

I am just as disturbed at the way the plan was welcomed in Austin: Landowners and developers there have been so browbeaten by the Fish and Wildlife Service and the Department of the Interior that they were relieved to reach a resolution of the issue — any resolution of the issue, regardless of cost.

But we shouldn't overlook the fact that the Fish and Wildlife Service plan essentially suspends the Fifth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution regarding the taking of property.

For this reason I introduced a bill on January 11 to impose a moratorium on any additional designations of endangered species or critical habitat until Congress rethinks the entire act, which is up for reauthorization this year.

I am not arguing against preserving the habitat of endangered species. There are, however, positive alternatives to accomplish this, such as offering tax incentives to encourage alternative protection initiatives or the designation of alternative habitats.

We should determine what species are worthy of designation and how rigorous their protection should be in a more pragmatic way. The manner in which the Department of the Interior is going about protecting many species now puts unjust limits on the use, market value and transferability of certain property.

If we want to protect the critical habitat of endangered species, we all have to pay for it, not just certain, unlucky property owners.

This debate is no longer about protecting our treasured natural resources from harm, it's about the federal government seizing control of Texans' land. We must put a stop to this, and we must point the Department of the Interior in a new direction.

LOOKING BACK -

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of Miss Sybil Elaine Osborne to Pvt. Valton L. Chappell was solemnized Saturday afternoon in Fort Worth . . . District Tournament to be played here next weekend . . . Aubrey Sanders entered service in April 1944. He is now in the Admiralty Islands . . . Virgil Sanders has been in service since March 1944. He is stationed at San Diego but is in the hospital at Childress Army Air Base at present. He had received leave to come home and see his son who has been ill with pneumonia. On the way home he contracted pneumonia and is quite ill. He hasn't seen his son as yet and the little son is up and about now . . . Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Mercer returned Wednesday from a trip to the Valley . . . Guests in the George Seaney home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Durward Brown and girls, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Cogdill and son, Pvt. and Mrs. Arnold Brown and son, Mr. and Mrs. H. Roy Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Dudley and family, Mrs. Bess McWilliams and son, Mr. and Mrs. Pascal Garrison and daughter and Spencer Long . . . Mr. and Mrs. Roy Henderson and family and Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Lowrey and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Henderson . . . Dick Bomar was here Friday night with the R. C. Bomars. Mrs. Bomar and Mrs. Jackie Tate joined him here Saturday . . . Mrs. Judd Donnell and Janice and Mrs. Cecil Joslin spent Friday and Saturday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Allred . . . Mrs. R. N. McDaniel is in Plainview this week having dental work done . . . Mr. and Mrs. Jord Hollingsworth were supper guests Sunday night in the Bob McDaniel home . . . Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Douglas, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. Edd Thomas and Rev. W. H. Barnett were guests in the H. T. Gill home Sunday . . . Editor Roy Hahn wrote: "Gordon Alexander, long known here as the champion bull thrower lost the championship last Friday when he came out second best in an encounter with a yearling steer. It was a distinct upset in dope, as Alexander has in the past thrown the bull many times. It was thought that he, like the other great champ, Jack Dempsey, had traveled the hard arena of life much too long. In fact it was Gordon's legs (the same as Dempsey's) that gave out and he received a badly-wrenched hip in his last encounter. In a personal interview after his return from the hospital, Alexander said, 'I am lucky to be alive and I am through with bull-throwing forever. I regained consciousness just in time (he took a long 14 count). Hudie McClendon was standing over me and my wife was running up with a brick in

each hand.' He went on to say that when they hung up his pants in the hospital room, a dime fell out. 'How they overlooked it, I don't know,' he said. Conrad took him to the hospital and stayed with him til the last. The last was when the business manager presented the bill. Gordon fled to the car under his own power, and sent Cooney back to pay the bill. It is thought to be purely a coincidence that he had been out the day before collecting money for the Crippled Childrens Fund" . . . Owls down Tulia Hornets 42-32 . . . Mrs. Carroll Garrison was brought home from the hospital in Plainview last Friday . . .

April 3, 1925—Railroad into Silverton now assured. Bonuses raised, other terms met; work is to begin soon . . . Texas Utilities Company now serves Silverton . . . The Floyd County Lumber Company has opened a lumber yard in Silverton and is now doing business . . . P. O. Woods has lived in Quitaque for 32 years and visited Fort Worth for the first time in his life Thursday, when he went down with the railroad committee. Mr. Woods came to Quitaque when he was ten years old and he has stayed with the town. He believed in it then and he still does. Mr. Woods is manager of the Quitaque Motor Company, authorized dealer in Ford cars, trucks and Fordson tractors, and is one of the oldest dealers in point of service in the country, having handled Fords for the past nine years . . . The Woodridge Lumber Company of Plainview, one of the strongest lumber institutions of the Panhandle-Plains, will open in Silverton within the next week or ten days and will be ready to serve this growing community . . . Silverton has a modern flour mill in the Silverton Milling Company, located two blocks west of the square. Earl Simpson is owner and manager of the mill which began operation last December 15. It was installed absolutely new and is of 25-barrel capacity. "Pride of Briscoe" flour is the name given the product of the county's only flour mill . . . Willson & Son plan immediate enlargement of the lumber yard here . . . M. K. Summers has just completed the installation of two brand-new Gilbert & Barker 10-gallon visible pumps at the Super Service Filling Station, on the corner, near the Ozark Trail monument . . . Silverton Chamber of Commerce to hold important meeting Friday night . . . It is estimated that 1500 people attended the Fifth Sunday Singing Convention at Flomot last Sunday. There was singing all day and dinner on the ground . . .

Win Owls, Lady Owls!