



BY BILL ELLIS

ONE-FOURTH of the year 1974 is now history, and you might say we still haven't received any moisture.

Some folks had a fair rain last month in an area out west of Bovina, but for the most part, we're still looking for our first rain.

After last year's record-breaking winter, we were expecting at least one big snow, but we didn't get that, and winter is over for all practical purposes.

We do have Easter weekend yet to come, so there is still the possibility that we could get that blizzard yet. We generally always have some bad weather around Easter, but whether it will take the form of a snow blizzard, or a blinding sand storm, we'll just have to wait and see.

SPEAKING OF EASTER, we did some research one time, and found out that oldtimers used to refer to the "Easter Storm." They pointed out that it was God's way of showing his displeasure on the season chosen to commemorate the death of his son Jesus on the cross.

You don't have to be very old to recall several bad storms that this area has had around Easter. Three or four years ago, we had a doozie of a blizzard, and Easter was just about as late as it is this year.

We recall lots of bad windstorms that the area has experienced at Easter, particularly when mothers and daddies have tried to have egg hunts for their kiddies.

Other times, we've had tornado scares—and some parts of the area have been severely hit by tornadoes on Easter Sunday. This time of the year sort of "kicks off" our violent weather annually.

So, who is to say? Maybe there is more to the old "Easter Storm" tradition than first meets the eye.

We used to pass off many of the "Old Wives Tales," such as the one for predicting the number of snows the area would have in a season by the day of the month that the first snow falls.

In 1972-73, the first snow fell on October 31, and that seemed too ridiculous to even consider. But low and behold, we just about had an equivalent of 31 snows before that wild and woolly winter was over.

Then this winter, the first snow came on the second of the month. After last year's long siege, we thought this would be just as hard to accomplish. But come to think of it, we can't count more than the two snows which would have been indicated by the "sign."

OUR NATIONAL economy, which has been down somewhat since late in 1973, is predicted to get back on the upswing in the near future. Incomes are up. New housing starts are also on the increase, after a long slump.

With the end of the Arab oil embargo (if it ever existed), the energy crisis is expected to be price for most of the year 1974, instead of supply.

Gasoline prices will soar to 60 to 75 cents per gallon for regular gasoline, according to experts.

Detroit says the bottom has been reached, and that new car buying will be on the upswing before long.

WE HEARD about two streakers this week.

One was an Indian. Naturally, his name was Running Bare.

Then there was the Aggie streaker. He put his clothes on and streaked through a nudist camp. (Sorry about that, Dolph).

DUAL ELECTION

Polls Open Saturday For School, City

Voters Elect 3 Trustees

Name Mayor, 3 Councilmen

Voters in the Bovina Independent School District will name three trustees to the school board Saturday when the annual election is held at Bovina Schools.

Polls will be open from 8 a.m. until 7 p.m. in the main school building with Johnnie Horn serving as election judge. Mrs. Dean McCallum will serve as clerks with two others to be named later this week.

Seven candidates seek the three positions on the board this year. Terms of Leslie McCain, Leon Ware and Jon Lin Riddle expire this month.

McCain is completing his third consecutive three-year term on the board and is not seeking re-election. Ware is seeking re-election to the board upon completion of his first term. Riddle, who is also an incumbent, is seeking re-election to the position to which he was appointed following the resignation of Lawrence Jamerson in August.

Other candidates for the three positions are C.C. Naegle, manager of the Parmer County Cattle Co.; Gaylon Rhodes, manager of Agri-Sprayers, Inc.; Leon Schilling and James Clayton, farmers; and Houston Bartlett, a farmer and partner in Bartlett-Potts Auction Service.

The three receiving the highest number of votes will serve three-year terms.

Opening Tilt Thursday In LD Tourney

Williford Gymnasium at Bovina Schools will be the scene of the Regional Little Dribblers Tournament here this weekend with action getting underway at 1 p.m. tomorrow (Thursday).

For further information concerning the tournament see details in a story on Page 10 of this issue of The Blade.

Weather By Willie

We are in the grip of a drought. Dry year indicated.

-----Willie
P.S. Slight chance of showers tonight and tomorrow.

Paving Hearing Slated

A hearing on a proposed street paving program within the Bovina city limits will be conducted by the Bovina City Council at 7:30 p.m. Thursday (tomorrow) at the council meeting room at city hall.

Proposed improvements, located on Fourth Street, Ninth Street, Avenue D, Avenue B and Avenue F, are charted in an ordinance which was passed by the city recently, and may be inspected at the city hall.

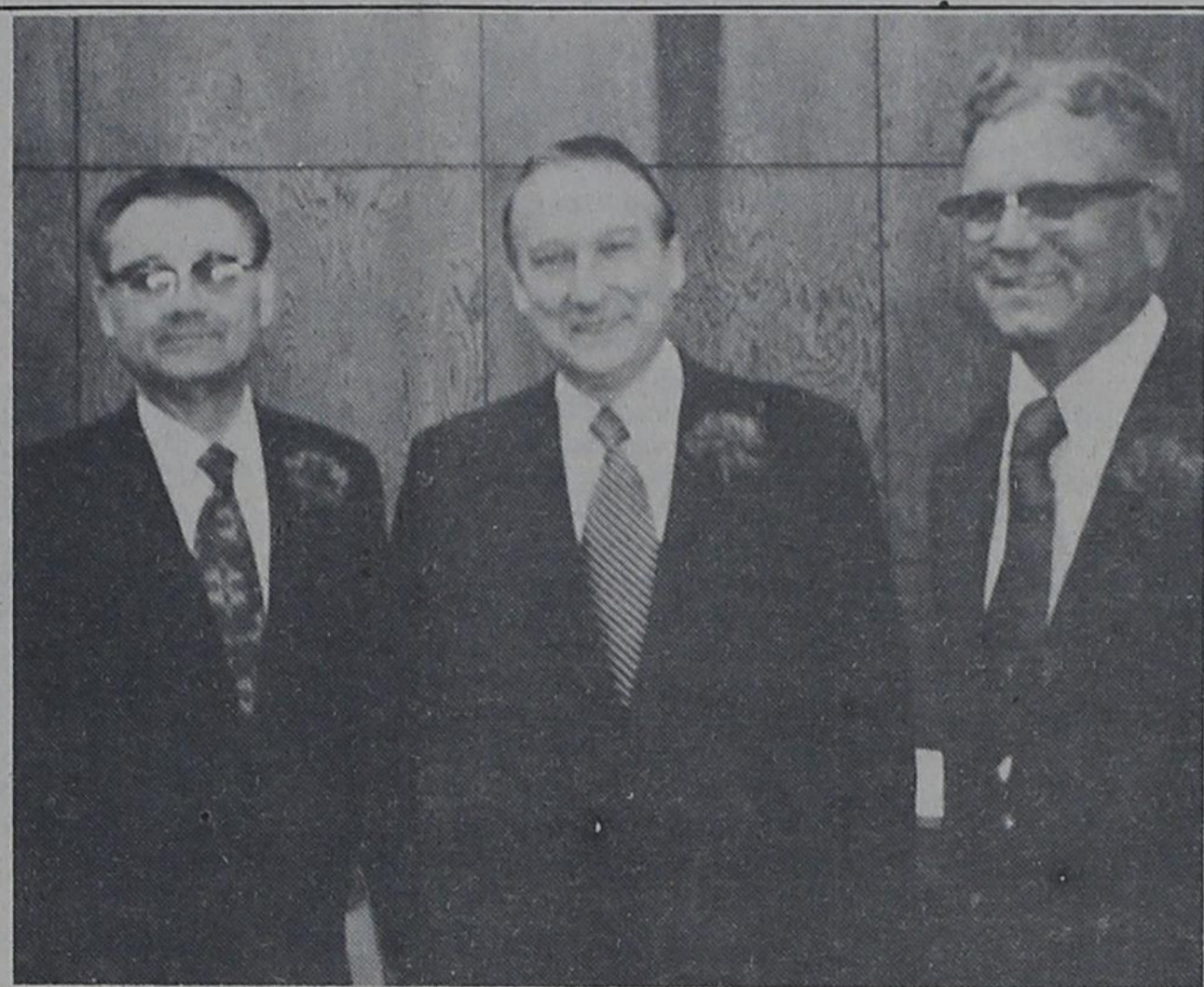
Property owners desiring to express their opinions on the paving program are invited to attend the meeting, according to Mayor Johnnie Horn.

Holdover members of the board are C.E. Trimble, Earl Whitten, Edwin Lide and Billy Smith.

Trimble and Lide are farmers, Whitten is employed at Sherley Grain Co. as an accountant and Smith is co-owner of Bovina Supermarket.

In addition, a county trustee-at-large will be named. Wendol Christian, a farmer and owner of Oklahoma Lane Farm Supply and Gin, appears on the ballot for election to that post. T.M. Caldwell, who currently holds the position, is not seeking re-election.

In absentee voting, which ended Tuesday, Mrs. Zoe Clary at the school tax office, reported that 28 ballots had been cast.



CHURCH DEDICATION....Presiding at the dedication services of the First United Methodist Church Sunday afternoon was Bishop Alsie H. Carleton, center. Assisting in the service were Rev. J. Weldon Butler, left,

district superintendent; and Rev. Howard Marcom, right, pastor. Some 200 members, former members, ex-pastors and visitors were present for the service and reception honoring Bishop Carleton and Rev. Butler.

CARY TO MANAGE

Local Men Purchase Well Service Firm

A change in the ownership and management of Birkelbach Machine and Pump Co. was formally announced this week by Kenneth Cary, new manager of the company.

The firm, which will tentatively be known as Bovina Pump Co., was purchased by a group of local farmers and businessmen who also are partners in Agri-Sprayers, Inc., a fertilizer and aerial spraying service here.

The well service firm, which began operations here in March 1966, was originally managed by Cary.

He, his wife, Virgie, and son, Ronnie, 13, moved to Lovington, N.M., in August 1969. They have lived in Lubbock for the past three years.

Mr. and Mrs. Cary have purchased the John Burke home at 900 Ninth St. and plan to move here within the next month. Mrs. Cary will be bookkeeper and secretary for the firm.

Kenny Birkelbach, co-owner

and manager of the firm since 1968, said he plans to return to Littlefield, his home town, where he will be associated with his father in the same business. He and his wife, Maisie, have two sons, Phillip, three; and Steven, 18 months. Mrs. Birkelbach has taught math in Bovina High School and Junior High for three years. They will move to Littlefield at the end of the current school term.

In announcing the change of owners and management, Cary said this week that "Bovina Pump Co. will continue to offer the best service possible to all our old and new customers.

"Virgie, Ronnie and I are happy to be returning to Bovina and look forward to becoming acquainted with all our old friends."

Durward Bell, president of the board of directors of Agri-Sprayers, which was organized in July 1968, said, "We feel extremely fortunate to have someone of Kenneth's

qualifications with us and are pleased that he and his family are returning to Bovina."

Stockholders in the firm are Vernon Willard, Wendol Christian, Leon Grissom, Lawrence Jamerson, Troy Christian, Tom Caldwell, J.D. Kirkpatrick, Grady Sorley and Bell.

Easter Break Slated

Classes at Bovina Schools will dismiss at 3 p.m. Friday for a nine-day Easter holiday period, according to Superintendent L.F. Jacobs.

The holiday will end Monday, April 15, when classes resume at regular time.

The Easter vacation will be the last regularly scheduled holiday until the end of the school year in May, some six weeks away.

Baptist Revival Continues

Revival services, which began Monday, are currently in progress at First Baptist Church of Bovina with conclusion of the week-long services set Sunday.

Principal speaker during the laymen-led services is Sherman Driggers of Trent, a stock farmer.

Leading the music portion of the services is Bernie Schumert of Portales, manager of a jewelry store in Clovis.

Everyone in the community is invited to attend the services in an advertisement found elsewhere in this issue of The Blade.

The pump company presently employs four men—Danny Stanberry, Raymond Rocha, Jamie Rodriguez and Robert Delgado—with one part-time employee, Joe Jones. "We are tentatively planning, after we've had time to get settled and familiar with the business again, to expand with more equipment and men in order to better service the area," Cary stated.

Announcements of the business ownership change are made in advertisements in this week's issue of The Blade.

SWPSC



LEWIS MCDANIEL

Transfers McDaniel To Crosbyton Post

Lewis McDaniel, local manager for the Southwestern Public Service Company in Bovina for the past six years, has been appointed the local manager of the company's office in Crosbyton, according to Jake Webb, district manager for the electric company in Hereford.

While in Bovina, McDaniel was active in civic affairs and at the 14th annual banquet of the Chamber of Commerce held March 21st, he was named Bovina's Man of the Year.

McDaniel is a native of Tulia and graduated from Amherst High School in 1955. He attended North Texas State and Arlington State College and joined SPS in 1957 as a meter reader in Littlefield. In May of 1959, he was transferred to Plainview where he became a part of the lineman apprentice program which he completed in 1962. He became the serviceman for Dimmitt in 1964 and Bovina in 1968. He has served as the local manager in Bovina since 1971.

Since joining Southwestern

Public Service Company, McDaniel has completed an electrical engineering course from the International Correspondence Schools, a business course from Eastern New Mexico University and the SPS Supervisors Conference course.

In 1964, he was voted the company's outstanding trainee for the SPS vocational training program. In 1972, he received the SPS manager-of-the-year award.

JAYCEES-FACULTY

Benefit Game Set

A benefit basketball game, with the proceeds destined for the Grace Paul Educational Fund, has been set for 8 p.m. Monday, April 15, at Williford Gymnasium here.

Sponsoring the event, and also furnishing one of the teams, will be the Bovina Jaycees, announced Ken Horn, president of the organization, this week. Furnishing the opposition will be a team of

At this time, a successor to McDaniel has not been announced.

Mrs. McDaniel is employed at the First State Bank of Bovina.

McDaniel and his wife, Gene, have three children, Mace Darren, Cass Aldon and Amanda Elizabeth.

Mrs. McDaniel and the children will join McDaniel in Crosbyton when the current school term is ended in May.

faculty men from Bovina Schools, coached by Roger Ezell, head athletic director.

Included on the Jaycee roster will be Horn, Larry Mitchell, Bob Sparks, Mike Beauchamp, Greg Bell, Lowell Boozer, Ken Jamerson, Mike Spears, Lawrence Kriegel, Gary Carson, Roy Hartzog, Galen Carson, Daryl Kirkpatrick, Ronnie Sudderth and Dennis Johnston.



HEADING YOUR WAY

PCA Meeting Set Friday In San Antonio

Officers and directors of Plainview Production Credit Association will hear Texas Governor Dolph Briscoe keynote the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank of Houston's annual meeting April 5 in San Antonio.

PCA Manager James A. Rogers of Plainview said area participants include board members Loyd Widener, Lockney, president; Billy W. Carthel, Friona, vice president; A.W. Anthony, Friona; H.L. Porter, Jr., Petersburg; Ray Robertson, Dimmitt. Widener serves as Plainview PCA's official delegate.

PCA officers attending include Rogers; Billy D. Black,

assistant secretary-treasurer; and Jimmy C. Holt, assistant to the manager, all of Plainview.

Briscoe highlights a Friday morning session which also features the Houston bank's annual report by its president, W.H. Calkins. More than 500 participants are expected for the three-day session which is designed to bring together 32 Production Credit Associations and seven agricultural credit corporations.

Rogers said the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank of Houston, source of funds for these agricultural lending institutions, last year loaned more than \$1.6 billion to Texas farmers and ranchers.

Reflections From The Blade

TEN YEARS AGO-APRIL 1, 1964

A mayor and three councilmen will be elected by voters in City of Bovina election which is scheduled Tuesday.

Boyd Gilreath is running unopposed for a second term. Seven candidates are in the race for three council posts. They are Mrs. Lady Armstrong, Tom Bonds, Lloyd Gober, Jerry Rogers, J.W. Wright, Mario Trevino and Dolph Moten.

Four candidates are seeking two positions on the board of trustees of Bovina Independent School District. Candidates in the race are Travis Dyer, Durward Bell, Jack Patterson and Robert Read.

Resignations of five teachers in Bovina Schools have been accepted by the board of trustees. Teachers who resigned include Carroll Powell, Jerry Meyers, Mrs. Hazel Rigdon, Mrs. Mary Clay and Mrs. Dorothea Hale.

The Mary Marr Shop on Third Street in Bovina is operating under a new partnership this week. Effective Monday, Mrs. J.W. Harris purchased the half interest of Mrs. Jessie Williams in the ladies' wear store.

Dolph Moten was elected incoming president of Bovina Lions Club at a regular meeting of the organization Thursday night in City Drug.

A total of 58 stop signs have been installed at intersections of Bovina streets in the past few days.

SIX YEARS AGO-APRIL 3, 1968

Eight candidates are running for three positions on the board of trustees of Bovina Schools in Saturday's election.

Candidates are Leon Grissom, Leslie McCain, B.L. Marshall, Rosalio W. (Charlie) Ramirez, Lonnie J. Fowler, Pat Kunselman, Leon Ware and Lawrence Jamerson.

Bovina voters will name three councilmen and a mayor for two-year terms in the city election Saturday.

Mayor Bedford Caldwell is unopposed for re-election. For councilmen are Owen Patton, Charles Corn, Billie Sudderth, Norvell Strawn, Vernon Estes, Roy Hawkins, Robert Lee Hoppingardner, Allen Cumpston, Travis Dyer and Lloyd Gober.

Lloyd Killough, maintenance foreman for Parmer County Division of Texas Highway Department, will move to Muleshoe April 25 where he will assume the same duties and responsibilities of the headquarters here.

James Weldon Moody, assistant foreman here since 1962, will become maintenance construction foreman of the Bovina headquarters, according to an announcement for O.L. Crain, district engineer of Lubbock.

Wilson and Brock Insurance Agency moved its offices over the weekend to the Isaac Building on Main Street, formerly occupied by the school tax office.

Saturday is the day set for a dual grand opening in Bovina. Observing formal openings will be Dudley's Auto Parts and Coin-Operated Laundry. Both businesses are located at the intersection of Third Street and Highway 86 and both are owned and managed by Dudley Hughes.

Bonds Oil Company is in its new home at the corner of Highway 60 and FM 2290 having completed the move Saturday.

Mrs. Gene Douglas, science teacher in Bovina High School, has received a National Science Foundation grant to Purdue University for the next four summers.

J.E. Sherrill is president-elect of Bovina Lions Club.

Bovina Faculty won the men's division and Farmers Oil of Melrose took the women's division in the annual volleyball tournament held Thursday, Friday and Saturday in Williford Gymnasium.

Easter Seal Campaign Continues In County

Parmer County's Easter Seal Representative reported recently that the 1974 Easter Seal Appeal of the Easter Seal Society for Crippled Children and Adults is going well. Joe W. Jones of Farwell, serves as Easter Seal Appeal Treasurer for Parmer County.

The 1974 Easter Seal Appeal will finance the Easter Seal Society's rehabilitation program for crippled children and adults in Texas. Last year the Society helped 20,570 disabled persons through its program of assistance in finding and making effective use of services for the disabled and their families.

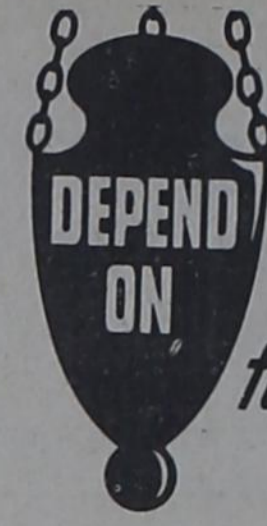
The Easter Seal Society helps support 18 treatment facilities in Texas where children and adults not eligible for other assistance are treated. These centers offer

physical therapy, medical diagnosis, speech and hearing programs and related services to help the disabled build happier and more useful lives.

As Easter Seal Representative, Joe W. Jones is the person to contact for services from the Easter Seal Society. He can be contacted at Security State Bank.

When contacted for services, Jones will provide the request form to be sent to the Texas Easter Seal Society in Dallas to determine the needs of the disabled person. The Society will provide the service where possible or will advise the handicapped person of the best resources available to help him.

Jones added that contributions to the Easter Seal Appeal should be sent to him as soon as possible.



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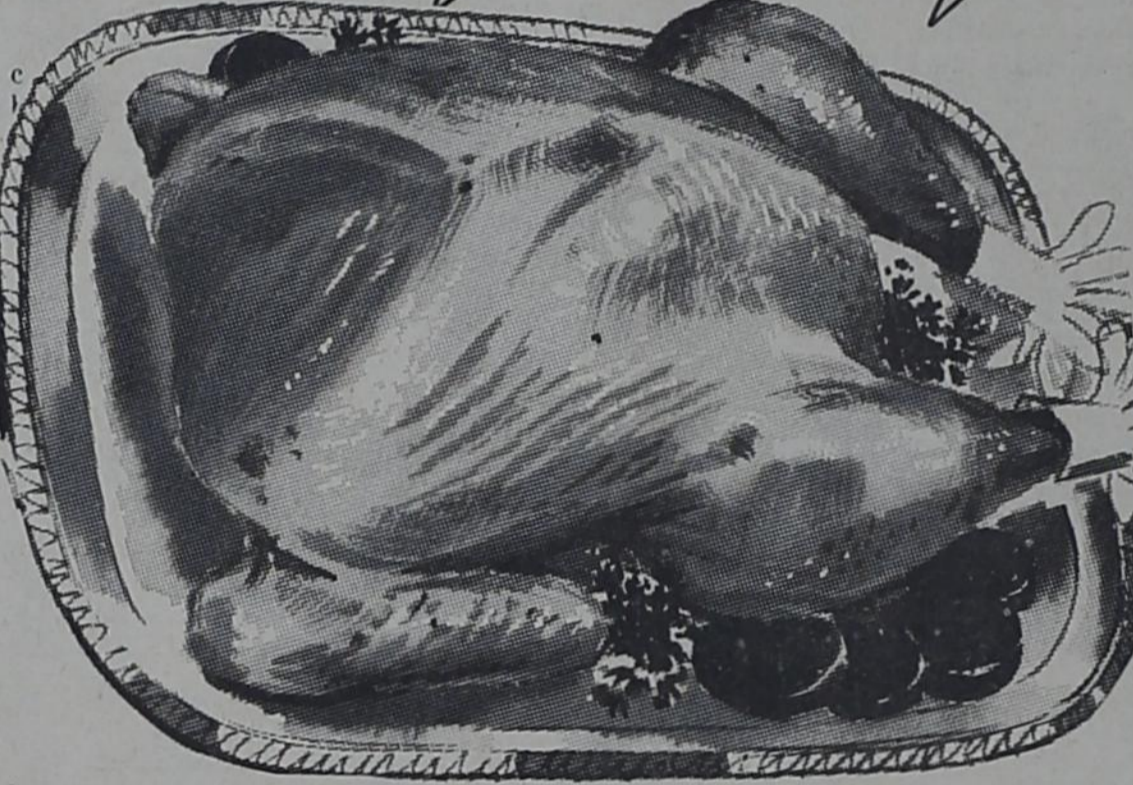
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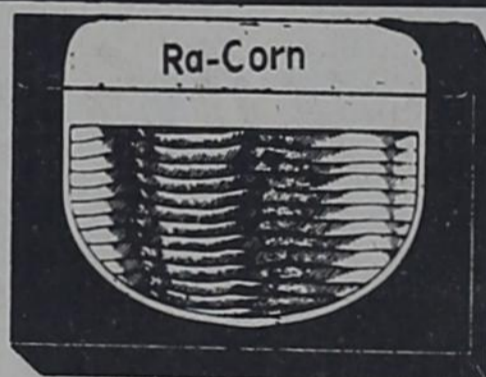


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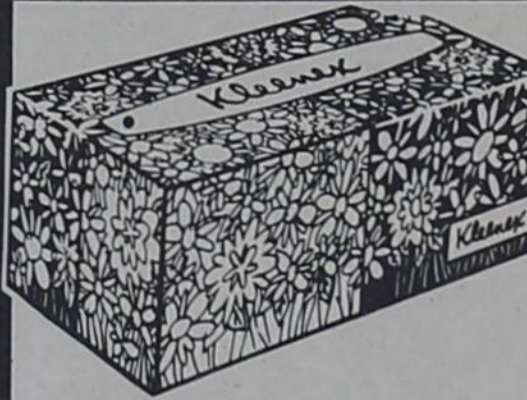
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SS Benefits To Increase

"Monthly Social Security benefits will be increased in two steps, starting with checks which will be delivered April 3," Mr. William Ent, field representative of Clovis stated recently.

The overall increase will amount to 11 percent for most beneficiaries. Seven percent of that will be included in the April 3 checks and the other four percent will be included in the July 3 checks.

"People getting Social Security don't have to do anything to get the higher payment," Mr. Ent stressed. "The increase will be added to the checks automatically."

The amount of yearly earnings subject to Social Security deductions has been increased from the first \$10,800 to the first \$13,200 for 1974. People earning over \$10,800 will pay more in deductions this year, but they also can expect higher Social Security benefits in the future as a result.

Mrs. Jones' Brother Dies At Childress

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon in the First United Methodist Church at Memphis for Jack Martin, brother of Mrs. O.H. Jones of Bovina.

Mr. Martin, 54, died Friday afternoon at Childress after suffering an apparent heart attack. He was a farmer and paint contractor.

Rev. Tommy Nelson, pastor, officiated at the rites. Burial was in the Memphis Cemetery.

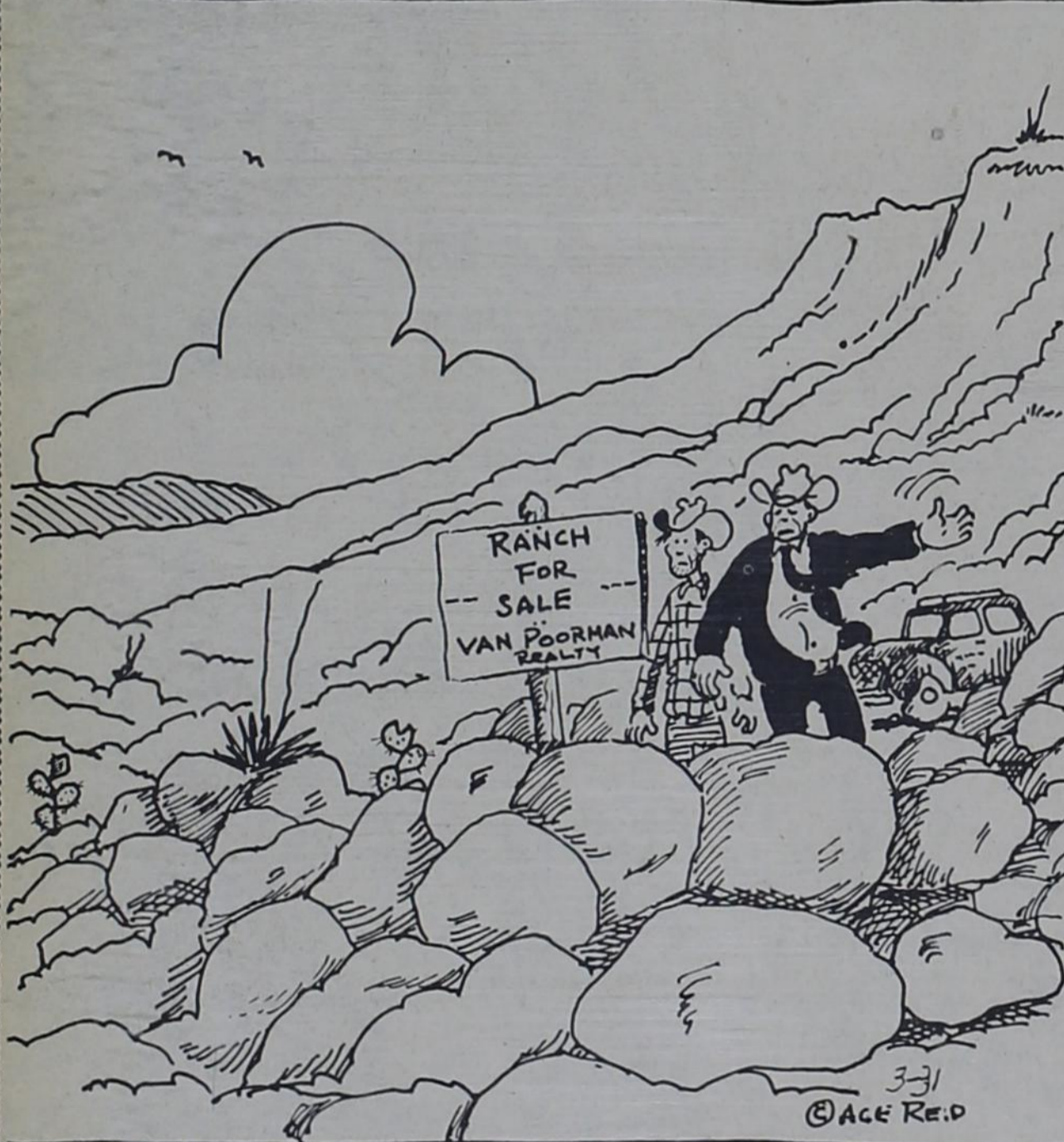
Born in Paris, he moved to Hall County in 1935 after living at Vernon from 1920 until 1935. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church and a veteran of World War II.

Survivors include his wife, Beulah; a daughter, Melissa at home; two brothers, O.J. Martin of Sunnyvale, Calif., and O.A. Martin of Clearlake Highlands, Calif.; and one other sister, Mrs. Ira McQueen of Memphis.

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While the final grade is immediately put on record, Cates said, "the student will not have his credit apply to his degree until he shows proof of high school graduation."

A feature of the WT program is that once the student graduates, his WT credit can be transferred to the institution of his choice.

Cates also described the new WT program as one "designed to preserve a close working relationship with secondary schools."

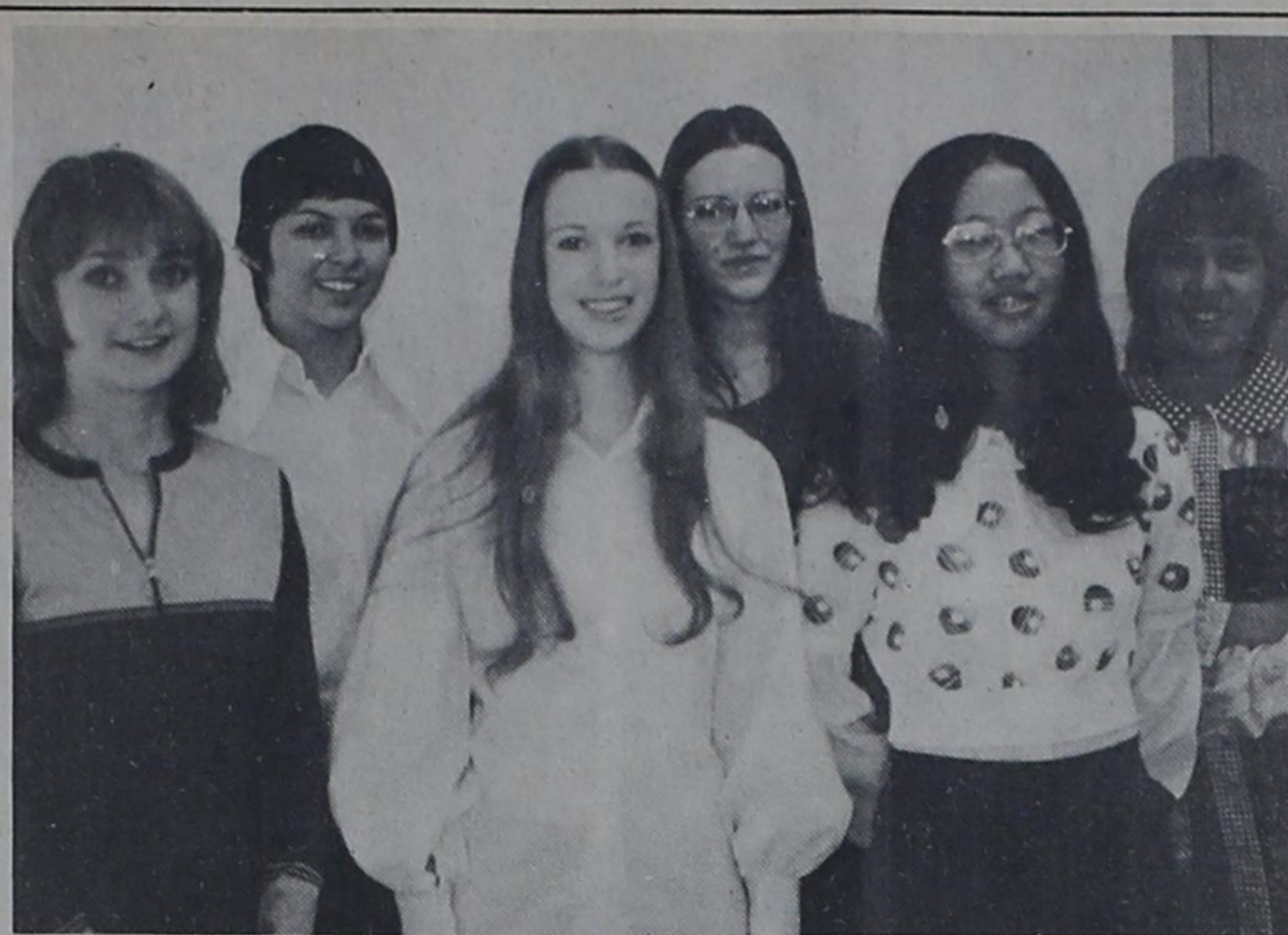
"The University insists that students participating in this program complete the curricular and extra-curricular programs of their high school," Cates noted.

The students will be treated as entering freshmen, he stated, with special provision for academic advising and counseling.

Selection of the students will be by committee, with emphasis on high school academic record, scores on the American College Test or other standardized tests, a recommendation from the high school principal and the student's stated reason for wishing to participate in the program.

Other items needing to be submitted for consideration are: the regular freshman admission application, the high school transcript, parental acknowledgement and approval, and proof of immunization.

For additional admission information, contact Dean of Admissions, West Texas State University, Canyon, Texas, 79016.



NEW CHEERLEADERS...Elected to serve as cheerleaders at Bovina High School during the 1974-75 school year in balloting recently at school were, left to right, Dian Roming, Tammy Christian, Cathy Trimble, Connie Ware, Linda Marcom and Diana Naegle.

Misses Roming, Trimble and Ware will be junior students next year, Miss Christian and Miss Naegle will be sophomores and Miss Marcom a freshman. Miss Trimble, who is a member of this year's squad, was named head cheerleader during the elections.

Crim's Predictions: A Dry Year For 1974

It may come as no great surprise to weather observers that J.W. (Indian) Crim sees a dry year in prospects for 1974.

Making his annual weather reading last Friday morning, at a bonfire at the Crim home place near Lazbuddie, the Parmer County weather prophet found it hard to see anything optimistic in the signs.

"We had a peculiar wind. It was different from any we had seen in a number of years," Crim said of the conditions of the wind at sunrise on March 22.

He indicated that the signs call for a lot of clouds during 1974, but not much moisture. Clouds will tend to drift across the area, he said, which isn't a very favorable sign.

Crim predicted that the area would have little hail during the coming year, due to the steady straight wind that was blowing at sunrise.

It was a southwest wind that whipped the smoke at sunrise

for Crim's annual prediction, and that's the worst kind, as far as the readings go.

A northeast wind is supposed to foretell a bumper crop. A north wind is good, and a northeast wind is "fair."

Crim has been making the annual weather reading at his place near Lazbuddie for over 50 years. He learned the process from his father, who had observed the Indians making the annual observation. That's where he got his nickname.

A number of people anxiously await Crim's predictions each year, and he was sorry not to be able to give them any better news for 1974 than the "signs" foretold.

ON PROPANE GAS

The Federal Energy Office has ordered propane gas suppliers to reduce prices "promptly and sharply" for the gas that heats many low-income rural homes.

Thrifty Club Meets With Mrs. Kelso

Members of the Thrifty Club covered hangers and did handwork for their hostess, Mrs. H.H. Kelso, when the club met Monday afternoon.

Refreshments of chicken salad sandwiches, relishes, pumpkin parfait squares, tea and coffee were served to Mrs. Wilbur Charles, Mrs. Jerry Ware, Mrs. George Douglas, Mrs. G.A. Bandy, Mrs. J.G. Eubanks, Mrs. Frank Smith and Mrs. George Turner.

Sarcasm
Diner (tired of waiting): "Waitress, please find out if your colleague from whom I ordered a steak some time ago is still employed here."

Transfer Deadline Set Early

Students living in other school districts who desire to continue to transfer to Bovina Schools have until Wednesday, May 1, to do so, announces Bovina Schools Superintendent L.F. Jacobs.

The deadline has been moved up one month from previous

years when the deadline was June 1.

Application forms are available at Jacobs' office. Transfer applications are subject to approval by the local school district, he says.

Jacobs points out that this procedure does not apply to

students who have recently moved into the local school district since no transfer is required if residence is in Bovina's school district.

A fellow who can tell you what the weather is going to be is a liar.

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Baptist Women Host Banquet For BHS Senior Class Of 1974

"Apple Blossom Time" was theme of the annual banquet honoring Bovina High School's Senior Class in Fellowship Hall of First Baptist Church Tuesday night of last week. Women of the church host the event.

The hall was decorated to resemble a patio featuring brick walls with blue skies and clouds overhead. Butterflies decorated the upper portion of the walls with butterfly mobiles suspended from the dimmed light fixtures. Tables formed a square around a tree festooned with apple blossoms in the center of the room.

Guests entered through a latticework archway at the door of the hall and were seated at tables decorated with white clothes with pink garden scenes. Matching napkins, programs, placecards and white tapers completed the setting.

Rev. Larry Heard, pastor, was master of ceremonies and welcomed the guests. The invocation was offered by Mrs. Heard. Roy Hartzog, president of the Senior Class, gave the response. Gary Cox, high school principal, offered the benediction.

Featured speaker and entertainer on the program was

Richard Campbell of Lubbock. Campbell, a native of Matador, was an All-Southwest Conference linebacker in 1968-'69, playing in the Hula Bowl and the Coaches All-American Football Game at Lubbock. He has appeared in stage productions at Six Flags Over Texas and at Walt Disney's Disneyland in California. In addition to



ENTERTAINS. . . . Richard Campbell, All-Southwest Conference defensive linebacker for the Texas Tech Red Raiders in 1968-'69, was the featured speaker and entertainer at the annual banquet honoring the Senior Class of 1974 at the First Baptist Church Tuesday night of last week. The event is hosted by women of the church.

his speech, he presented several musical selections.

Serving the meal of baked ham with all the trimmings were Lezli Williams, Susan Heflin, Betty Whitecotton, Ginger Guest, Denise Lambert and Tammy Hutto.

Members of the Senior Class attending were Benito Arizmendez, Jana Barrett, Rex Beardain, Ute Blalock, Bill Calaway, Galen Carson, Heidi Corn, Joe Delgado, Chuck Gilbreath, Gary Gober, Donna Guzman, Roy Hartzog, Rodney Hromas, Nancy Hutto, Randall James, Evanna Johnston, Al Kerby Jr., Randy Kirkpatrick, Artie Kunselman, Mary Marcom, Isaiah Mejia, Dannie McKay, Deania Owens, Ralph Ramon, Cindy Read, Rhonda Rhodes, Olga Serna, Tony Serna, Billy Shelby, Terry Sherrill, Connie Terry, Christie Trimble, Norma Villarreal, Sonja Wilburn, Terri Willard and Pam Wilson.

Also present were class sponsors Mrs. Janie Sudderth and Zane Reeves; Mrs. Reeves; Principal and Mrs. Gary Cox and Superintendent L.F. Jacobs.



COWBELLE LUNCHEON....Mrs. Jack Carrothers of Hereford was guest speaker at a CowBelle luncheon Tuesday in the home of Mrs. G.D. Anderson Jr. Some 30 guests and members attended the event. Mrs. Carrothers, center, visits after the meeting

with Mrs. C.C. Naegle, left, president of the Bovina CowBelles, and Mrs. Anderson, right. The guest speaker was instrumental in organizing the Texas CowBelle Association in 1972 and served as the first president of the state-wide organization.

Bovina Club Receives Lung Association Award

Attending the annual business and awards meeting of the American Lung Association, Top of Texas Area, in Amarillo Saturday were Lucille Walling, Pearl Cervantez and Cordie Vargas of Bovina.

The meeting was held at the Psychiatric Pavilion auditorium, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Program plans discussed for 1974-1975 included action on the rights of non-smokers in public places, expanding the

area student peer-teaching program on health effects of smoking, teacher workshops, a tuberculin testing survey in Hemphill County, and the granting of a respiratory training scholarship at Amarillo College. Also approved was an area-wide respiratory disease symposium for health professionals this fall.

"The preventive education concept where smoking and health are concerned is of primary importance," said President Glynn B. Roland,

quoting a report by Dr. Warren M. Gold of Stanford that "eighty percent of young smokers already show signs of lung deterioration by the time they enter college."

Venables Have Son

Mr. and Mrs. Radford Venable of Bovina announce the birth of a son at 11:40 a.m. Monday, April 1, at Farmer County Community Hospital in Friona.

Named Rusty Howard, the infant weighed nine pounds, eight ounces.

The Venables are parents of one other son, Radford Jr., three.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stone of Plano and Mr. and Mrs. Elton Venable of Bovina.

Venable is employed at Corbin Trailers here.

Miss Looney To Be Feted With Shower

Miss Lea Looney, bride-elect of Richard Brantley of Plains, will be feted with a bridal shower from 3 to 5 p.m. Saturday at Community Room of First State Bank of Bovina.

Hostesses will be Mrs. Pearl Murry, Mrs. Earl Dean Boyd, Mrs. T.J. Hopingardner, Mrs. Ed Hutto, Mrs. Don Murphy, Mrs. Ginger Roman, Mrs. Henry Spicer, Mrs. Jim Russell, Mrs. Larry Webb, Mrs. M.H. Carson, Mrs. Fred Langer, Mrs. Lester Rhinehart, Mrs. P.A. Adams, Mrs. Donalita Hawkins, Mrs. Joe Wilson and Mrs. Pat Kunselman.

Cumptions Have Son

Mr. and Mrs. Don Cumpton of Hereford announce the birth of a son at 10:20 p.m. Sunday, March 31, at Deaf Smith Hospital in Hereford.

Named David Donald, the new arrival weighed six pounds, 15 and one-half ounces.

They are the parents of one other son, Brent, three.

Cumpton is head track coach and assistant football coach at Hereford High School.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. A.D. Cumpton of Bovina. Maternal grandmother is Mrs. Effie Foster of Floydada. Paternal great-grandparent is W.E. Cumpton of Cortez, Colo.

Kerrs Attend Houston Meet Of Land Bank

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Kerr of Muleshoe, have just returned from Houston where he represented the Federal Land Bank Association of Muleshoe at the annual Stockholders' Meeting of the Federal Land Bank of Houston. The meeting, held at the Houston Oaks Hotel, was attended by members of 66 Federal Land Bank Associations located in Texas. There were about 500 persons in attendance at this meeting.

Stockholders and guests heard President George W. Cunningham present his annual report to the stockholders in which he reported that in 1973, the 254 million dollars in loans closed was the most credit ever extended to Texas farmers and

ranchers in a single year in the Bank's 57-year history. Also, those attending heard addresses by Governor Dolph Briscoe and Dr. James A. Byrd, Economist, First International Bancshares, Inc. of Dallas, Texas.

The Federal Land Bank of Houston makes long-term loans on farm and ranch property throughout Texas and is currently servicing over 35,000 loans for more than 867 million dollars.

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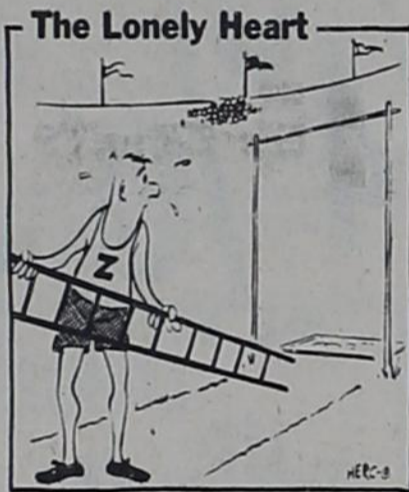
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April 6, 1974
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For Alderman
(Vote For Three)

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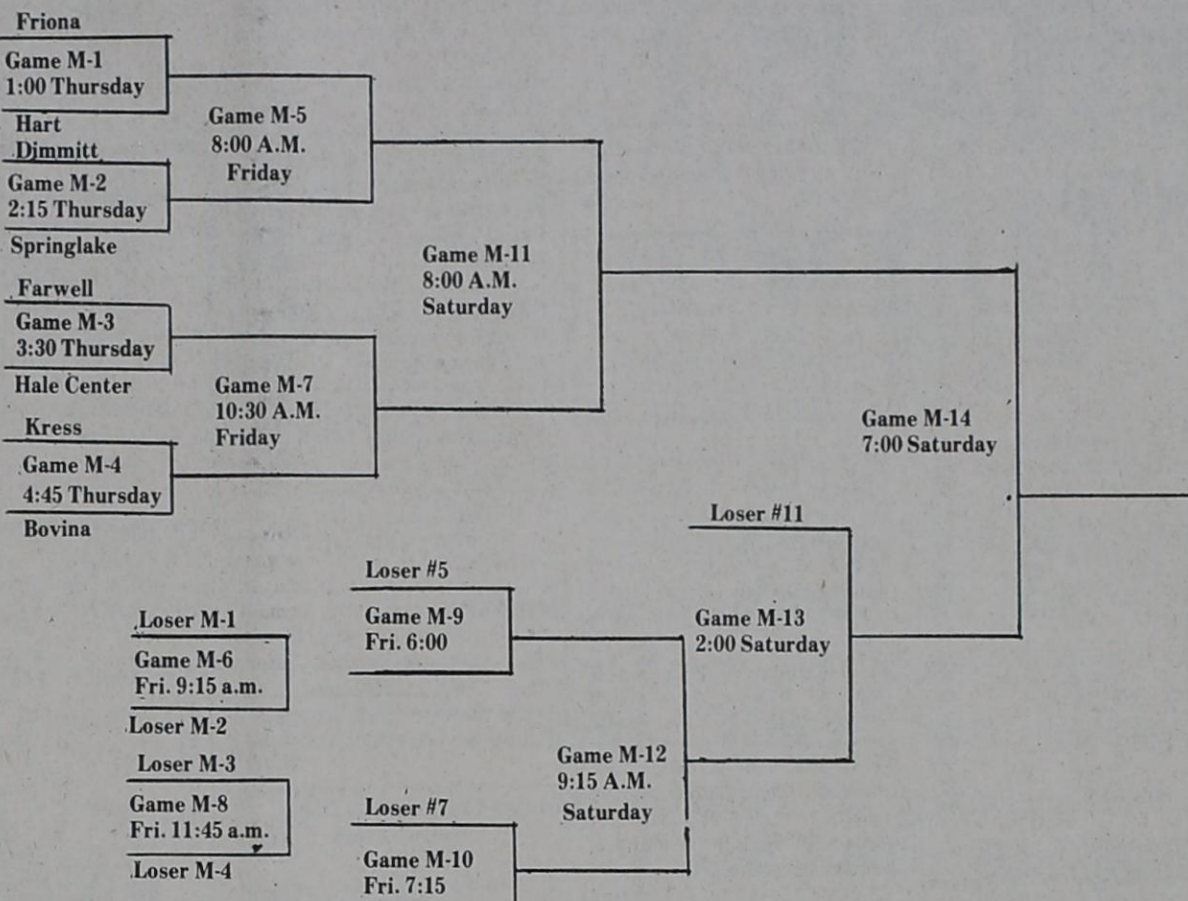
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REGIONAL TOURNAMENT APRIL 4-5-6

BOVINA MAJOR

WINNER TO ADVANCE TO THE STATE TOURNAMENT



Morgan Is Co. Deputy In Friona

Bill Morgan, former Friona Police Chief and sheriff's deputy, began work this week as the new county deputy stationed in Friona.

Morgan replaces Garland Freeman, who retired as of March 31.

The new deputy was with the Friona Police Department for a total of five years on two separate occasions, three years of which was as chief of police.

He began his career in law enforcement in 1955 as a city patrolman with the City of Clovis. He had served an earlier stint as a sheriff's deputy in Parmer County, 1960 through 1963.

A Certified Police Officer, Morgan attended Amarillo College as a requirement for his certificate.

Morgan is one of three county deputies. Tom Adkins is stationed at Farwell, Henry Minter is stationed at Bovina.

He and his wife Betty are parents of three children. They are Carol Broyles, Tonna Woody and Dennis, who is an eighth grader.

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 Worship-10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.
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Cecil Bunch

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 Morning Worship-11 a.m.
 Training Union-6 p.m.
 Evening Worship-7 p.m.



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The Bible

1. The Bible is a light for our understanding: "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path" [Psalm 119:105].
2. The Bible is a mirror for our self-knowledge: "For if any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he like unto a man beholding his natural face in a mirror" [James 1:23].
3. The Bible is a sword for our conflict: "And take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God" [Eph. 6:17].
4. The Bible is honey for our delight: "More to be desired are they than fine gold, yea, than much fine gold: sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb" [Psalms 19:10].
5. The Bible is a hammer for our obstinacy: "Is not my word like...a hammer that breaketh the rock to pieces?" [Jeremiah 23:29].
6. The Bible is milk for our nourishment: "As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye might grow thereby" [I Peter 2:2].
7. The Bible is gold for our enrichment: "The law of thy mouth is better to me than thousands of gold and silver" [Psalms 119:72].

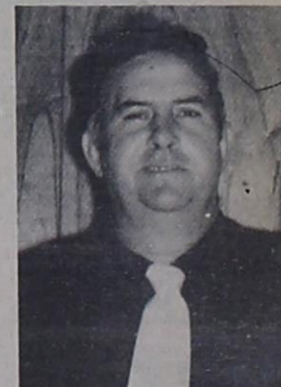
For the nation, for the individual, for the home, the Bible is a fire for our purifying, as well as for keeping our heart burning with spiritual fervor. "Is not my word like as a fire? saith the Lord; and like a hammer that breaketh the rock to pieces?" [Jeremiah 23:29].

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The following have authorized the Bovina Blade to announce their candidacy for office, subject to action of the Democratic Primary--

FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE:
 Harvey Floyd

FOR COUNTY JUDGE
 Archie Tarter [re-election]
 Paul Fortenberry

FOR COUNTY CLERK
 Bonnie Warren [re-election]

FOR COUNTY TREASURER
 Benna Felts
 Mrs. Ray [Jenoyce] Ford

FOR DISTRICT CLERK
 Dorothy Quickel [re-election]

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 2
 Charlie Jefferson [re-election]

FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, PRCT. 2
 Wilbur Charles [re-election]

FOR COUNTY CHAIRMAN:
 H.H. Horton, Jr. [re-election]

FOR BOVINA PRECINCT CHAIRMAN:
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Quarantines for psoroptic cattle scabies were removed March 22 from portions of five Texas Panhandle counties by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA).

Officials of USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) said the areas include parts of Lamb, Parmer, Hockley and Lubbock counties where quarantines had been placed on Feb. 19, and on part of Hansford county. Portions of this latter quarantined area--which was imposed on Nov. 21, 1973--had already been lifted Feb. 5.

Before lifting the quarantines, the cattle were treated with a pesticide permitted by USDA. Inspection following treatment showed that the cattle were free of the mites that cause the disease.

These tiny, parasitic mites puncture the skin of cattle and feed on the body fluids released through the wounds. Cattle with scabies lick, rub and scratch to relieve the intense itching caused by the mites. Heavy infestations result in the formation of "scabs" on the skin--hence the name "scabies."

Although scabies does not affect the animal's meat, the skin irritation can cause loss of weight and decreased feed efficiency.

USDA and the states have been working to halt scabies outbreaks and eliminate the disease. Disease eradication measures include area quarantines by state and federal animal health officials and the inspection and treatment of infected and exposed cattle within the quarantined area.

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Some Must File Annual SS Report

People who earned over \$2,100 and got one or more monthly Social Security retirement or survivors checks in 1973 must submit an annual report of their earnings to Social Security by April 15, according to Mr. William Ent, field representative, Clovis Social Security Office.

The report shows how much was earned in wages and self-employment income last year by people who got Social Security payment--as well as how much they expect to earn this year.

"The report will be used to determine if people were paid the correct amount of Social Security benefits for 1973, and to adjust their monthly Social Security payments for 1974 according to their estimated earnings," Mr. Ent said.

Full Social Security benefits could be paid to eligible people in 1973 if they earned \$2,100 or less for the year. No matter how much they earned for the year, they could be paid their full Social Security benefits for any month they earned \$175 or less and didn't do substantial work in their own business.

For 1974, the figures are \$2,400 for the year and \$200 a month.

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SPECIAL GUESTS...Two former pastors of the Bovina Methodist Church, along with their wives and the wives of two other ex-pastors, were special guests at the dedication services of the church Sunday

afternoon. Those attending were, from left, Rev. and Mrs. Roscoe Trostle of Lubbock, Mrs. W.R. Beard of Ralls, Mrs. Howard Crawford of Lubbock and Rev. and Mrs. J.B. Fowler of Perryton.

Driving Test Requirement Changed

A new procedure has just been enacted by the Department of Public Safety in regards to advancement in grade to a higher class of license (Operator to Commercial or Operator to Chauffeur). In the past, an applicant was permitted to drive almost any type of commercial vehicle on the road test with the license examiner. Now they are required to take the road test in a Commercial vehicle which has a manufacturer's rated carrying capacity exceeding 2,000 pounds or 1 ton.

This excludes all vehicles in the pickup or panel class. It can be designed to carry either persons or property so long as it meets the size requirement. The examiner prefers an applicant to bring the type vehicle in for the road test which he expects to drive.

A few points of interest for all to know and remember are: 1. Any size truck or bus may be driven with an operator's license so long as that vehicle is unladen; 2. Rental trucks up to 2 ton capacity may also be driven up to 10 days with an operator's license, to move one's own personal property or office equipment.

The Friona Driver's License office is open Monday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday and Wednesday from 8 a.m.-12 and 1 p.m.-5 p.m. The driving tests are conducted on Wednesdays only.

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We wish our successors only the best of luck, and we are happy to have been able to serve you.

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FOR STUDENTS

Grant Applications Available At WT

The federally-funded Basic Opportunity Grant applications are now available through the West Texas State University Student Financial Aids offices and other public institutions.

"We hope that individuals

who qualify will take the time to apply for the financial assistance they are entitled to receive," said Keith Winter, WTSU director of development. "West Texas State University and other institutions of higher learning are marvelous places for the development of their own potential."

"WT will have administered over \$1 million in financial assistance this year to people anxious to improve both their life-styles and economic opportunities through post-high school work," he continued. For the Opportunity Grant, "all the student has to do is meet certain criteria and he is 'entitled' to a designated amount."

The Basic Educational Opportunity Grant Award is a grant and, unlike a loan, does not have to be repaid. It is estimated that during the

1974-75 academic year the awards will range between \$50 and \$800. They are available to students who began their post-high school education after April 1, 1973, and are attending on a full-time basis.

Eligibility for and the amount of the grant is based entirely on the financial resources of the applicant and his family need, which is determined through the submission of the financial statement application to the grant program.

The student should receive the results of his application within four weeks upon submission. The notification should be sent to West Texas State University or to any other school he wishes to attend. There, WTSU will calculate the amount of the Basic Grant and will attempt to put together a package of additional grant, loan and work assistance funds to meet the individual's needs.



Sunflowers are native American plants. They are not only decorative, they have food and oil-producing qualities. Indeed, in parts of Russia the American sunflower is vital to the economy, not only producing food for humans and livestock, but also providing oil for indoor lighting. Sunflowers are a symbol of self-sufficient living.

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SENIOR WINNERS...Team E, sponsored by First State Bank-Agri-Sprayers, Inc., captured the championship in the senior division of the Bovina Little Dribblers League with a perfect 4-0 slate. Team

members are, front row left to right, Noel Ortiz, James Shepherd Jr., Dale Turner and Kenny Guest; back row left to right, Coach Dwight Cox, Eddie Garcia, Jeff Hromas, Ricky Heard and Coach Butch McCain.

Teams E, A Champs In Little Dribblers

Team E, sponsored by First State Bank of Bovina and Agri-Sprayers, Inc., took the championship title in the senior division of the Little Dribbler League Tuesday, March 19, defeating Team C, sponsored by Horn Insurance Agency and Bovina Gin Co., for the title. The two teams had been deadlocked for the lead with 3-0 records going into the final week of play.

In the minor division of the league, Team A, sponsored by Sherley Grain Co. and Bonds Oil Co., wound up in a tie with Team B, sponsored by Chuck's Spraying Service, Inc., and Isaac's Department Store, for the title with 3-1 records.

The two teams battled it out Saturday morning in Williford Gymnasium with Team A edging Team B, 21-20, for the minor division title.

In the battle of the unbeaten in the major division on Tuesday, March 19, Team E took the title with a 41-24 victory over Team C. Team E took a 30-21 win over Team C in the minor division in the first tilt that evening.

Scoring for the games is as follows:

Jr. Team E-Ricky Shepherd, 30.

Jr. Team C-Guadalupe Salazar, 11; Charlie Trimble, 10.

Sr. Div. Team E-Jeff Hromas, 24; James Shepherd, 7; Noel Ortiz, 4; Eddie Garcia, 4.

Sr. Div. Team C-Freddie Quiroga, 11; Blake Sudderth, 5; Lynn Read, 4; Pat Ware, 4.

D taking a 48-31 verdict over Team B in the major division. Scoring went as follows:

Jr. Div. Team B-Frankie Lopez, 12; Erasmo Espinoza, 8; Alex Flores, 2; Victor Robledo, 2.

Jr. Div. Team D-Edward Chisom, 15; Dale Sikes, 2; Shane Walling, 2; Scotty Johnson, 2.

Sr. Div. Team D-Steven Stone, 26; Del Ray Sudderth, 18; Scotty Johnson, 2; Gabriel Guevera, 2.

Sr. Div. Team B-David Merrell, 16; Doug Roming, 15.

In the playoff for the minor division title Saturday morning, Team A took a one-point victory, 21-20, over Team B.

Jr. Div. Team A-Tad Mayfield, 11; Daryl Hawkins, 4; Don Paul Spring, 4; Joe Lumbrera, 2.

Jr. Div. Team B-Frankie Lopez, 14; Alex Flores, 4; Victor Robledo, 2.

Jr. Div. Team D-Edward Chisom, 15; Dale Sikes, 2; Shane Walling, 2; Scotty Johnson, 2.

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On the final night of the season, Thursday, March 21, Team B edged Team D, 24-21, in the minor division with Team

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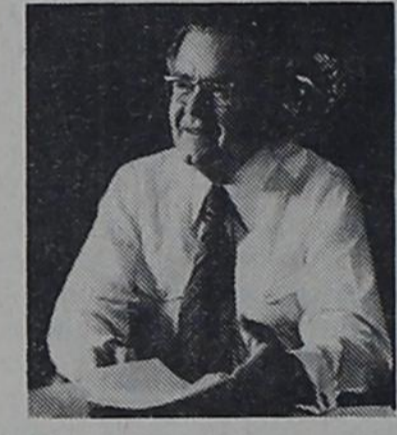
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JUNIOR WINNERS...Team A, sponsored by Sherley Grain Co.-Bonds Oil Co., captured the championship in the Bovina Little Dribblers League with a playoff for the loop title held Saturday in Williford Gymnasium. Members of the team are, front row left to

right, Henry Guillen, Jeffrey Steelman, Terry Don Monk and Daryl Hawkins; back row left to right, Joe Lumbrera, Dale Gilbreath, Don Paul Spring and Tad Mayfield. Coaches of the champion team were Robert Pesch and Elbert Shelby.

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WD, Fred Dennis, et al, Clarence Monroe, SE 1/4 Sec. 2, T4S;R4E

WD, E.A. Bishop, Leonard L. Grissom, Blk. 114, part lot 3, Blk. 113 Bovina

WD, Ralph Randolph, Kenneth D. Russell, N 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 17, D & K

WD, L.S. McCarty, George C. Gross, NE 1/4 Sec. 63, Blk. Z, Johnson

WD, Theodore M. Ruckman, Billie Jo Jupe, lots 31 and 32, Blk. 16, Farwell

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WD, Hugh Preston, Nannie Preston, N 10 ft. lot 19, all lots 20, 21 & S 10 ft. lot 22, Blk. 60, Farwell

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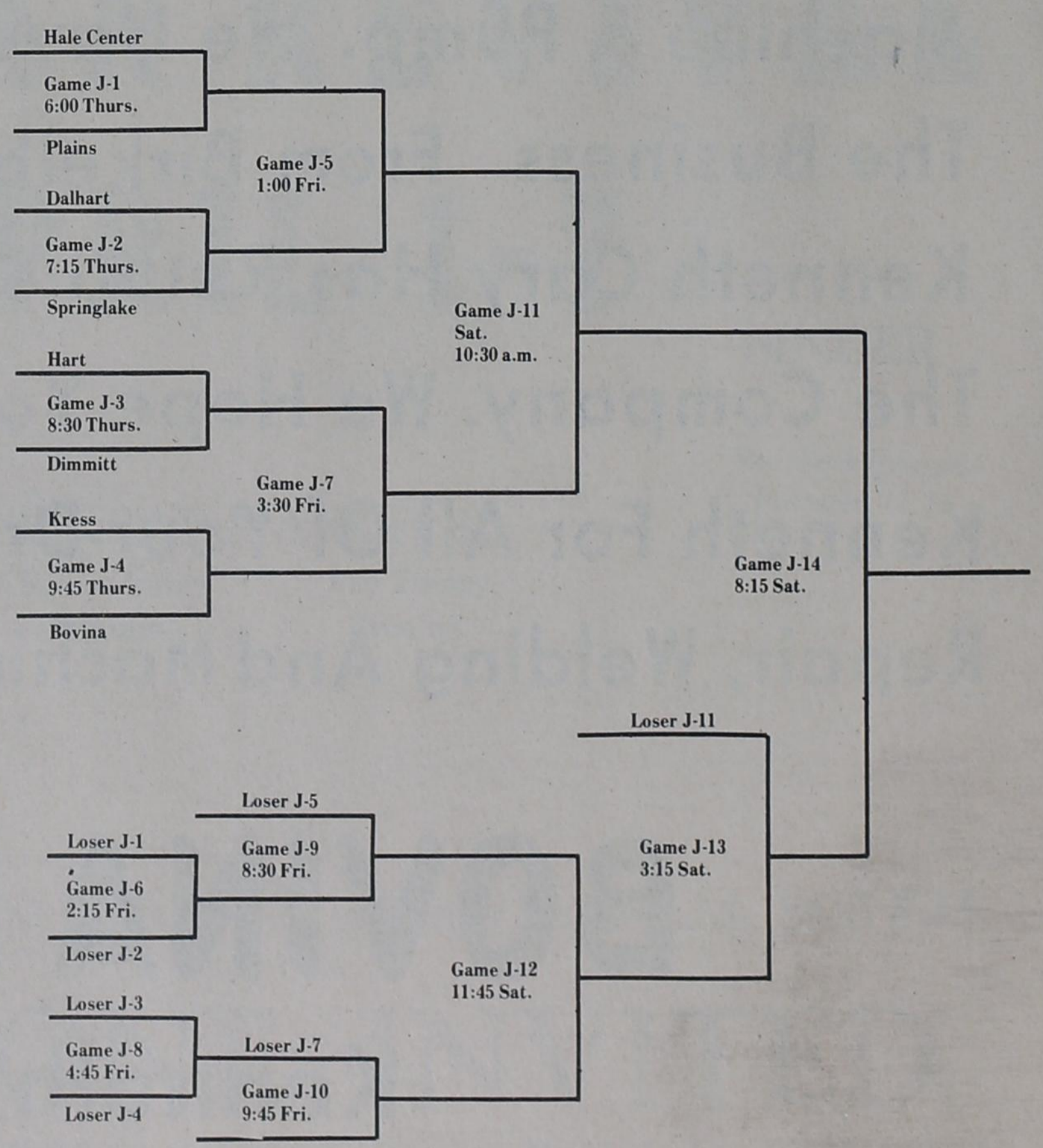
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VISIT FLORIDA...Members of the board of directors of the High Plains Water District, from left, Selmer Schoenrock, Billy Wayne Sisson, Ray Kitten, Chester Mitchell and Webb Gober, visit with Derrill S. McAteer, third from left, chairman of the board of governors of the Southwest Florida Water Management District, on a recent tour of the Florida district.

HIGH PLAINS WATER Dist. Directors Visit In Florida

Five directors of the High Plains Water District, including Webb Gober of the Oklahoma Lane Community, recently toured the Southwest Florida Water Management District. The district, headquartered at Brooksville, Fla., covers all or part of 15 counties in Florida, an area of 10,000 square miles. Governed by nine members appointed by Florida's governor, the district was established in 1961 as a flood control agency, but its powers were enlarged in 1969 to deal with the area's burgeoning groundwater conflicts and problems. During the past three years, the board has issued some

44,000 water well permits in the district. During their three-day visit, the High Plains District directors were briefed on the geology and hydrology of the Florida and associated aquifers; were presented a review of the functions and procedures of the Florida District; toured a portion of the area to view the hydrologic conditions and problem areas; and attended a meeting of the Board of Governors. The group also heard a detailed review of the present groundwater management procedures and rules and regulations of the Florida district and presented copies of the comprehensive and far-reaching drafts of groundwater rules and regulations pending consideration by the Florida District's board of governors. While there, the Texas group also heard reports by attorneys on pending state and federal legislation effecting groundwater and land use regulation in Florida.

Good Crowd Turns Out For Auction

Following the conclusion of the Community Farm Auction, sponsored by Bovina Jaycees, Saturday afternoon, Jaycee officials expressed elation at the "tremendous success" of the sale and voiced plans to make the sale an annual event for the organization. A large number of buyers turned out for the event, in spite of blustery winds and accompanying sand. Ken Horn, president of the Jaycees, expressed appreciation to Big Nick Trienen, Houston Bartlett and Larry Potts for their efforts in the sale and also to those who donated sale items to the Jaycees.



The Lonely Heart
Nixon sees passage of health insurance plan.

Weekly SWCD Report

By Herb Evans
Dist. Conservationist

Parmer County Conservation District has its sights on a first place finish in the 28th annual Goodyear Conservation Awards Program.

According to Leon Grissom, Bovina, chairman, the district will match its record of service to land users with other districts in Texas. An independent judging committee will select the two top districts in the contest sponsored by The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company in cooperation with the National Association of Conservation Districts (NACD).

Each first place district, in addition to a plaque, will receive expense-paid, vacation study trips for its outstanding cooperators and a member of the governing board. Representatives of the 53 first place districts nationally will be Goodyear's guests on the grand awards tour to Marco Island, Fla., in December.

Parmer County District's outstanding cooperator for the year also will be honored as part of the awards program. He or she will be selected by the board from among the 800 land users enrolled in the district's program.

Members of the district governing board are Leon Grissom, Jimmie Cockerham, Leroy Johnson, Dick Rocky and Dan Smith.

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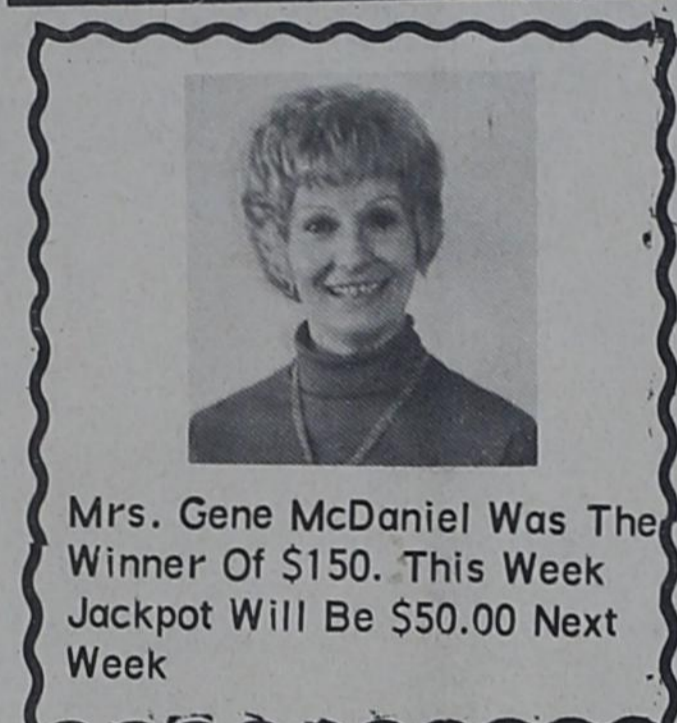
At Large
A delegate at large is a man who goes to a convention without his wife.
-News, Detroit.

You Feel Livelier
Word to the wise: Cross streets carefully to avoid that rundown feeling.
-News, Dallas.

The Circle
A neurotic is one who builds castles in the air; a psychotic is one who lives in them, and a psychiatrist is one who collects the rent.
-News, Dallas.

Easy To Find
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AT WILLIFORD GYM

LD Regional Meet Set For Weekend

Williford Gymnasium at Bovina Schools will be the site of the Little Dribbler Regional Tournament tomorrow (Thursday), Friday and Saturday, marking the first time for Bovina to host such an event. Bovina's Jaycees, which also sponsored the LD League here, is the sponsor of the regional event.

The major division all-stars from Bovina will meet Kress at 4:45 p.m. tomorrow with the junior all-stars also meeting Kress at 9:45 p.m.

Teams from Friona, Hart, Dimmitt, Springlake-Earth, Farwell and Hale Center, along with Bovina and Kress, are entered in the major division bracket with teams from Hale Center, Plains, Dalhart, Springlake, Hart, Dimmitt, Kress and Bovina competing in the minor division bracket.

The tournament, a double elimination event in both divisions, will kick off at 1 p.m. tomorrow with Friona meeting Hart in the major division. The Bovina minor all-stars are slated for the final game that evening.

On Friday, action will get underway at 8 a.m. with the final game set at 9:45 p.m. Action Saturday will begin at 8 a.m. with the championship game in the major division at 7 p.m. and the title game for the minor leaguers at 8:15 p.m.

Individual trophies will be awarded members of the championship teams in both divisions, according to Ken Horn, president of the Jaycees.

The top two teams in the minor division and the champions in the major division will advance to the state tournaments the following weekend, April 11-12-13, at Seminole and Levelland.

Admission to the tournament will be \$1 for adults and 50 cents for students at the morning and evening sessions of the tournament. The gymnasium will be cleared 5:30 p.m. Thursday and Friday and at about 1 p.m. Saturday to prepare for the evening sessions.

A concession stand will be operated throughout the event by members of the Jaycees.

Officials during the tournament will be members of the SBOA (State Basketball Officials Association), said Horn.

Brackets for both divisions may be found in this issue of The Blade.

Coaches and officials of the

Bovina Little Dribbler League met last week to select the squads for the tournament.

Members of the minor division all-stars will be Erasmo Espinoza, Ricky Shepherd, Edward Chisom, Daryl Hawkins, Frankie Lopez, Shane

Walling, Alex Flores, Don Paul Spring and Doug Tucker.

Coaching the squad will be Larry Mitchell, Elbert Shelby and Robert Pesch.

Members of the major division all-stars will be Lynn

Read, Ricky Mayfield, Dale Turner, Jon Cox, Blake Sudderth, Eddie Garcia, Freddie Quiroga, Ricky Jamerson, James Shepherd and Doug Roming. Coaching the squad will be Dwight Cox and Butch McCain.



MAJOR DIVISION ALL-STARS...Representing Bovina in the major division of the Regional Little Dribbler Tournament at Williford Gymnasium Thursday, Friday and Saturday will be, front row left to right, Lynn Read, Ricky Mayfield, Dale Turner,

Jon Cox and Blake Sudderth; back row left to right, Coach Dwight Cox, Eddie Garcia, Freddie Quiroga, Ricky Jamerson, James Shepherd, Doug Roming and Coach Butch McCain. Bovina's All-Stars will meet Kress at 4:15 p.m. tomorrow (Thursday).

UP FROM FIFTH

Bovina Golfers 3rd In District

Bovina's Golf Team No. One moved up from fifth to third place in the final round of the District 3-A golf tournament played Monday at the Vega Country Club, according to Supt. L.F. Jacobs, coach.

The winning team and medalists were determined by the low total scores of the first round, played last week at Farwell Country Club, and the round played at Vega.

Representing the district in team competition at the regional match will be Farwell

Team No. One with a low total of 698 over the 36-holes.

Mike Yell and Larry Richardson, both of Vega, tied for low medalist. In a playoff round, Yell won first place. However, both boys will represent the district in medalist play at regional.

Team scores were as follows-Farwell No. One, 698; Vega, 704; Bovina, 792; Sudan, 794; Farwell No. Two, 807; and Bovina No. Two, 992.

Members of Team No. One were Terry Sherrill, Ken

Sorley, John Caldwell and Dennis Willard. Team No. Two members are Kyle Jones, Alan Rhodes, Dana Harris and Dan Lusk.

In the girls' competition last week, Bovina's team won team play and will represent the district at regional. In addition, Fran Jacobs, low medalist last year, placed second and will compete at regional. Members of the winning team were Miss Jacobs, Nancy Hutto, Kim Ware, Michelle Bonds, and Trudy Falkenberg.



JUNIOR ALL-STARS...Bovina's minor division Little Dribbler All-Stars, who will be competing in the tournament here this weekend, are, front row left to right, Erasmo Espinoza, Ricky Shepherd, Edward Chisom and Daryl Hawkins; back row left to right, Shane Walling, Alex Flores, Don Paul Spring and Doug Tucker. Absent when the picture

was taken was Frankie Lopez. Coaching the team will be Larry Mitchell, kneeling at left, and Elbert Shelby and Robert Pesch, coaches of the winning team in regular Little Dribbler season. The Bovina team will meet the minor division team from Kress at 9:45 p.m. tomorrow (Thursday).

Roping Event Set Tues. At Arena Here

Practice head and heeling roping will begin at 8 p.m. Tuesday at the Bovina Roping Club Arena east of Main Street, according to Tommy Williams, president of the organization.

"Everyone who would like to rope is invited to participate," said Williams. The club plans to run the event on a weekly basis, and perhaps more often, if enough ropers are interested, he commented.

Jackpot roping will be held later in the spring with further details to be announced.



Urge Boys To Sign Up For Baseball

All boys who wish to participate in the Lions Club-sponsored summer baseball program here are urged to sign registration forms and return them as quickly as possible, announces Oakley Stevenson, commissioner of the league this year.

The program is for boys in the Pee, Little League and Pony League age divisions.

Registration forms may be obtained, and also returned to, Gary Cox, high school principal; Jim Noyes, junior high principal; Wilson DiCuffa, elementary principal; or Stevenson.

Stevenson stressed that the registration forms should be turned in as quickly as possible in order for league officials to determine the number of teams in each division and to draw up a schedule.



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