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FATHER'S DAY

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SHAWN HOLMES

Board Approves Pact For Asst. Principal

The Bovina ISD Board of Trustees met in regular session on June 12. The meeting was called to order at 7:11 p.m. with all members present except Jamerson, Beauchamp and Anderson.

The minutes from the previous meeting were read. Action item G was corrected to read "voting for were: Jamerson, Beauchamp, Loe, Anderson, and Kerby; voting against was; Whitten. The motion passed 5/1."

The financial reports and principal's reports were given.

In discussion items, the board considered the addition of volleyball and baseball to the athletic program.

Board members Beauchamp and Anderson arrived at 7:45 p.m.

Under action items, the board:

A. Considered public input on application for Federal funds under provisions of Title I Part A, Title II Part B, Title IV and Title VI.

B. Coffey made a motion to approve the proposed

salary schedule for the superintendent's secretary and PEIMS coordinator. Loe seconded. All members voted for, with Anderson abstaining. The motion passed.

C. Coffey made a motion to approve the proposed salary schedule for instructional aides. The motion died for lack of a second.

D. Whitten made a motion to approve the salary correction for 1998-99 and for 1999-2000. Coffey seconded, motion passed unanimously.

E. Kerby made a motion to change the principal salary factor from 1.18 to 1.25. Anderson seconded, passed unanimously.

F. Coffey made a motion to approve advertising for bids for a campus intercom system. Jamerson seconded. The motion passed 4/3 with Jamerson, Loe, Coffey and Kerby for and Anderson, Beauchamp and Whitten against.

G. Anderson made a motion to approve the TIF installation bid from MicroAge for \$42,399.16.

Whitten seconded, motion passed unanimously.

H. Beauchamp made a motion to approve the application for the LBS grant from the TIF Board. Kerby seconded, motion passed.

I. Anderson made a motion to approve the recommended contracts from the Region 16 Education Service Center for the 2000-2001 school year. Coffey seconded, motion passed.

J. Whitten made a motion to approve the waiver for 3 additional staff development days for the 2000-2001 school year. Coffey seconded, motion passed.

K. Beauchamp made a motion to approve semester exam exemption policy for Bovina High School. Coffey seconded, motion passed unanimously.

L. Coffey made a motion to set a special meeting for the purpose of discussing the 2000-2001 budget on June 29 at 8 p.m. Jamerson seconded, motion passed unanimously.

M. Jamerson made a motion to change the date of the regular July board meeting to Thursday, July 6 at 7 p.m. Kerby seconded, passed unanimously.

The Superintendent reported to the board on the following items: Orientation to the Texas Education Code for new school board members; BHS and BMS student survey results; TASB survey and board training; moving football stands; final status of the 1998-99 annual financial report; TEA report on district administrative cost ratio; and Effective Practice staff development project.

The board also acted on the following personnel matters:

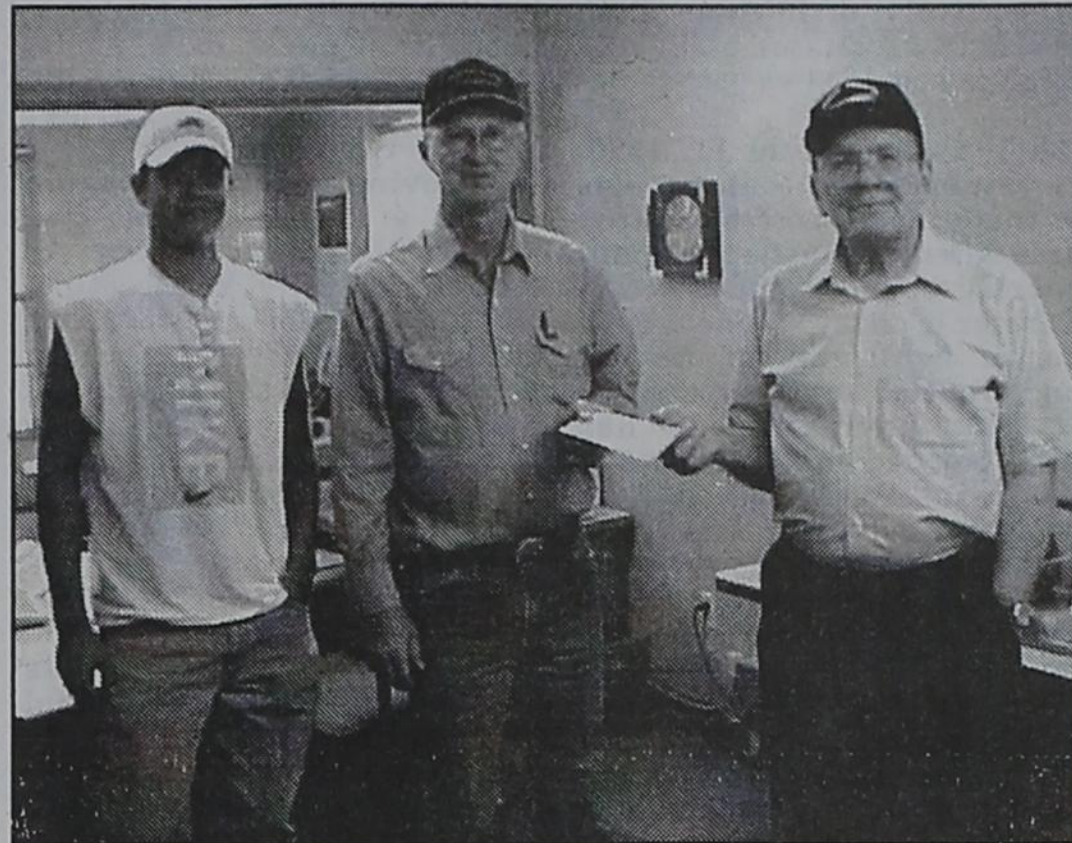
Whitten made a motion to accept the resignations of Linda Lewis, Davida Starkey, JoLinda Hodnett and Patti Thomas. Coffey seconded. All members voted for with Anderson abstaining. Motion passed.

Coffey made a motion to extend contracts to Wesley Weems, Debby Weems and Betty Rich. Whitten seconded, passed unanimously.

Coffey made a motion to change K'Dawn Scroggins' 11-month contract to a 12-month contract beginning with the 2000-2001 school year. Loe seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Coffey made a motion to change Shawn Holmes' contract from a 10-month teaching contract to an 11-month assistant principal contract beginning with the 2000-2001 school year. Jamerson seconded, passed unanimously.

There being no further business, Whitten made a motion to adjourn.



WHEAT CHECK...Jerry Roach, center, brought in the first load of wheat to Sherley Grain on June 1. He receives his bonus check from manager Harry Johnson, right, while A. J. Carrasco looks on. In 1990, Jerry's father, the late Sonny Roach, delivered the first load of wheat to Sherley Grain.

July 4th Activities In Bovina

Volunteers for the Bovina Chamber of Commerce have scheduled a day of activities for Bovina residents on Tuesday, July 4.

A parade will begin at 10 a.m. Line up at the Fire Department at 9 a.m. Parade contact is Suez Smith.

The City Park will be the center of activity following the parade. A brisket plate lunch will be available starting at 11:30 a.m. for \$3 a plate.

Games and craft booths will be open for business at 11 a.m. in the park. Also, food booths will open in the park around 4 p.m. to serve food before the fireworks show.

Because the bleachers at the football field are being moved and repaired, no food will be available at the football field. Instead, food booths will be open in the park at 4 p.m.

The fireworks show will be at the football field and will take place at dark.

Stan Miller is the Chamber of Commerce president this year. Contact Stan or any Chamber volunteer for additional info.

Woman Arrested; Had Kids In Trunk

A bizarre case occurred on Monday when a call to Friona police led to the arrest of a Clovis woman for driving with two children locked in the trunk of her car.

The woman was traveling from Amarillo to Clovis Monday morning with seven people in her Ford Taurus, including several children.

The group stopped at the Town & Country in Friona for a break. When they continued, a deliveryman at the store observed two children, approximately 9-11 years-old, getting into the trunk of the vehicle.

He phoned Friona police who notified state troopers and the sheriff's office. DPS Trooper Dean Fant stopped the vehicle just east of Bovina, assisted by Bovina police chief Leon Saddler.

The officers discovered the two children in the trunk. The driver, mother of one of the children, was arrested and booked into Parmer County jail on a felony charge of endangering a child.

At press time she had been released on bond and was awaiting trial.



VALEDICTORIAN
Melissa Cano is shown delivering her valedictory address during graduation ceremonies for the Class of 2000.

City Council Has Routine Meeting

The Board of Aldermen met in regular session on Thursday, June 8, at 7 p.m. Present were city manager Colby Waters, Aldermen Jessie Stone, Linda Marshall, Kevin Hughes, Kenneth Waters, and Mayor Galen Hromas. Alderman Charles Wilkins joined the meeting at 8 p.m.

Previous minutes were read and approved. Hughes made a motion to pay the bills, Stone seconded, motion passed.

Hughes made a motion to allow engineer Dwight Brandt to re-permit the sewer

plant permit, Waters seconded, motion passed.

No action was taken on the discussion of the city going into partnership with Friona and Tulsa for the wood chipper.

The council went into executive session at 9 p.m. and came out at 9:15 p.m.

Hughes made a motion to give Zeferino Villarreal, Jr. a 4% raise. Stone seconded. Motion passed 3/2 with Aldermen Wilkins and Marshall voting against.

The meeting was then adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

DON'T LET DAD read this column. Hide the paper from him until after Father's Day.

There are those who say that mothers get more attention, more appreciation and recognition, while fathers take a back seat. And it is true that Father's Day doesn't get as much notice as Mother's Day. This is probably because mothers are the ones who give birth, and so we expect quite a bit more attention lavished upon us in the way of gifts, honors, flowers, and generally being pampered and petted on our special day.

Dads, on the other hand, like mostly to be left alone for a whole day with no duties, no pressing engagements, no honeydos, no responsibility, and maybe a long boring sporting event to watch on the tube, while family members quietly set up an assembly line to keep him supplied with his favorite iced drinks and snacks. It's a shame that Father's Day doesn't fall on Super Bowl Sunday.

We all know that Dads get more mature, while Moms get middle-aged. They develop rugged good looks while we develop wrinkles. Gut rolls on fathers are called love-handles, but on moms they are called fat. Gray hair gives them character, but makes us look old. A mustache on a man makes him look distinguished. A mustache on a woman makes her look post-menopausal.

I was the daughter of a dad for a few decades of my life, and the wife of one for several more. I kept a lot of notes and can now translate the male language into something that the rest of us can understand. For instance:

When he says "Can I help you with dinner?" it means "Let's get this meal on the table before I starve to death." When he says "We're not lost. I know exactly where we are" it means that it is doubtful if anyone will ever see us alive again. When he says "We share the housework at our house" it means "I make the messes; she cleans them up." When he says "It would take too long to explain" it means "I have no idea what I'm talking about." When he says: "Don't make a fuss; I just cut myself; it's no big deal" it means "I have actually severed a limb, but will bleed to death before I'll admit that I'm hurt."

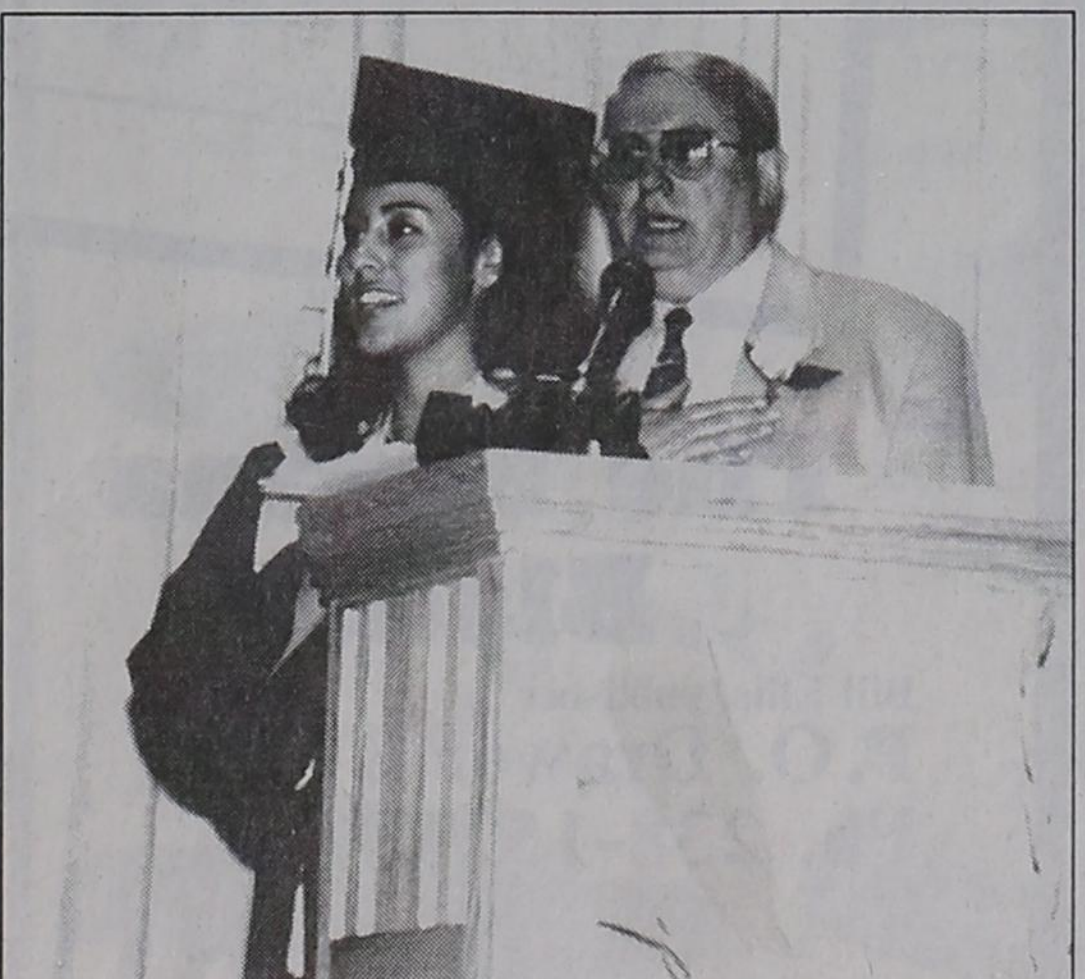
But, all seriousness aside, nothing in life is more important than family, and every family needs a CEO. It is pretty handy to have a man around the house in the role of father. Daddy, Father, Papa, Pops, whatever you call him he is (or was) a strong force in your life, whether you know it or not. The mere presence of the father in the home teaches stability and responsibility to the young ones.

The value of marriage is not that adults produce children, but that children produce adults. Even those of us who do our best, wonder if we could have been better parents. Did we make mature decisions in guiding the offspring we brought into the world? Every father wonders "Am I providing a good role model for these children?"

The greatest gift a person can give their dad is to grow up to be a responsible, caring person; a valuable member of society. Then he can beam with pride as he points to his children and says "Yep, they're just a chip off the old block."



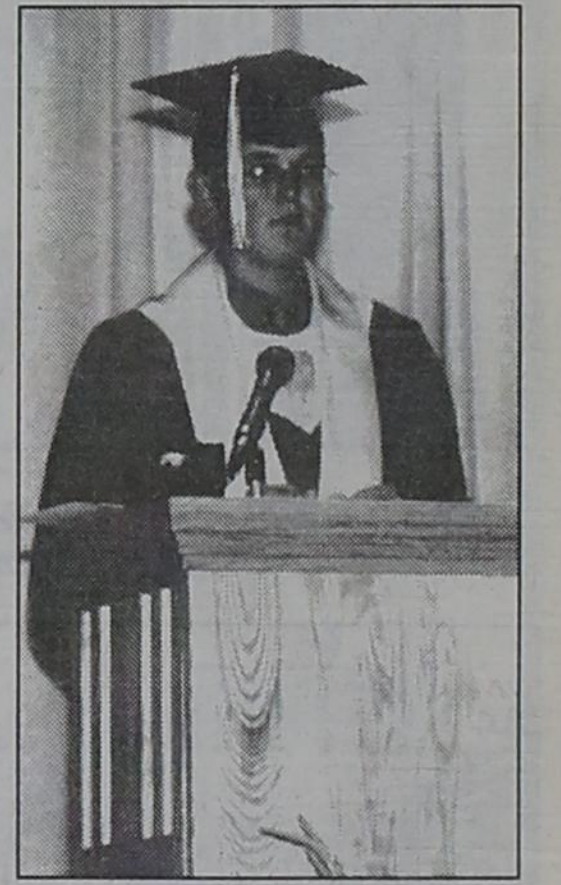
"MY TURN"
by Carol Ellis



CLASS OF 2000 graduate Letie Vargas leads the audience in the pledge of allegiance at graduation ceremonies. Looking on is high school principal Wayne Erwin.



MARISOL ANTILLON
Salutatorian



BLAKE CLEMENTS



THE BAND PLAYED TOO...As they have at special occasions all year, Bovina band director Billy Shelly's band students offered music for the graduation ceremonies.

BOVINA REFLECTIONS

...from the files of The Bovina Blade

40 Yrs Ago--June 15, 1960

The product of several years of hoping and planning is finally completed as the ultra-modern design of First Baptist Church is exemplified on both outside and inside and dedication services will be held Sunday.

Turbulent black clouds dropped a cloudburst of almost four inches of rain, mixed with hail north of Bovina, Friday and set off a tornado alert in city.

35 Yrs Ago--June 16, 1965

The new city warehouse-fire station is almost completed and expected to be ready for use next week.

Work is scheduled to begin this week on a new \$100,000 bank building for Bovina. Bob Estes, president of First National Bank of Bovina, announced this week that the contract for construction of the new building has been let to Robert Boston of Amarillo.

Dick Steelman has announced the sale of Steelman's Meat Processing plant to Pete Davies of Friona.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Clayton observed their silver wedding anniversary Sunday in their home south of Bovina.

30 Yrs Ago--June 17, 1970

Bryant Harris was named band director in Bovina Schools for the next school term.

The first wheat crop was delivered by Jim Schlenker. It was delivered to the elevator ten days before the first load of 1969 wheat was termed "real good grain."

Miss Linda Rejino, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben C. Rejino of Bovina, was presented three letter awards in physical education at Marymount College for competition during the 1969-70 school year.

Another new business has opened in Bovina. Ronnie Sudderth has opened an automotive repair shop in the building formerly occupied by Corn's Farm Store on

Highway 86.

Suzanne Wilson and Candy Wilson left Bovina, Sunday, for a month's tour of Europe. The girls are daughters of Mr. and Mrs. A.M. Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Wilson, respectively, of Bovina. Both are May graduates of Bovina High School.

25 Yrs Ago--June 11, 1975

Stubble is all that remains of this year's corn crops in the area after a tornado and hail-bearing storm raged through Parmer County. The storm began northwest of Bovina and traveled southeasterly.

The Bovina Blade has been notified that it is one of the Texas Press Association's prize winners for the 1975 Newspaper Contest.

Over 200 attended the first Father's Day dinner here Sunday at Bovina Schools Cafeteria. The beef dinner was sponsored by Bovina CowBelles with Mrs. Vernon Estes serving as chairman of the project.

Kenneth Cary, manager of Bovina Pump Co., was named Father of the Year. He was presented a roast of beef, donated by Bovina Supermarket, and a copper replica of the CowBelle bell insignia.

Miss Linda Marcom, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Marcom, performed at the annual Honors Recital of the Catuogno Piano School of Lubbock on May 25.

20 Yrs Ago--June 18, 1980

Mayor Roland Lusk presented Bedford Caldwell with a plaque representing the many years of service he has given the City of Bovina as Mayor and City Alderman.

Steve Sherrill has been employed as manager for the new apartment complex which is being built by the Bovina Housing Authority.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Derrick celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary recently with a family gathering at their home.

15 Yrs Ago--June 19, 1985

The first load of wheat was delivered to Sherley Grain on June 10 by Arnold Hromas. He received a \$50 bonus check from the elevator.

Darla Stormes, daughter of Sam and Ella Jo Stormes, won first place in a sports outfit that she made and modeled at the Parmer County Style Show.

Bovina will once again have a Trade Days flea market and according to chairman, Billy Whitecotton, "If this one doesn't work, it's probably over."

Harvest of the wheat and barley is underway in the area and elevator officials are geared for a bumper crop of wheat, especially on the dryland farms.

10 Yrs Ago--June 9, 1990

Wheat Harvest is underway in Bovina and James Roach delivered the first load of wheat to Sherley Grain on Wednesday, June 6.

The Excel Corp., a subsidiary of Cargill Industries, is suing a Wichita Falls law firm for alleged "injury chasing" in workers compensation cases.

Kody Wilson, a student at Bovina Junior High School, will be honored for his academic achievement at a statewide ceremony on June 16 at Baylor University in Waco.

5 Yrs Ago--June 17, 1995

Ron Carr is the new staff member of the Bovina Blade/Friona Star offices. Carr will be covering news and advertising for the two newspapers.

Josh Willard, thirteen-year-old son of Dennis and Tammy Willard suffered injuries while turning flips on the trampoline. He completely knocked out his four front teeth and had to have twenty-five to thirty stitches below his bottom lip.

His grandmother said when it was over, Josh said, "It sure would have been a good flip."

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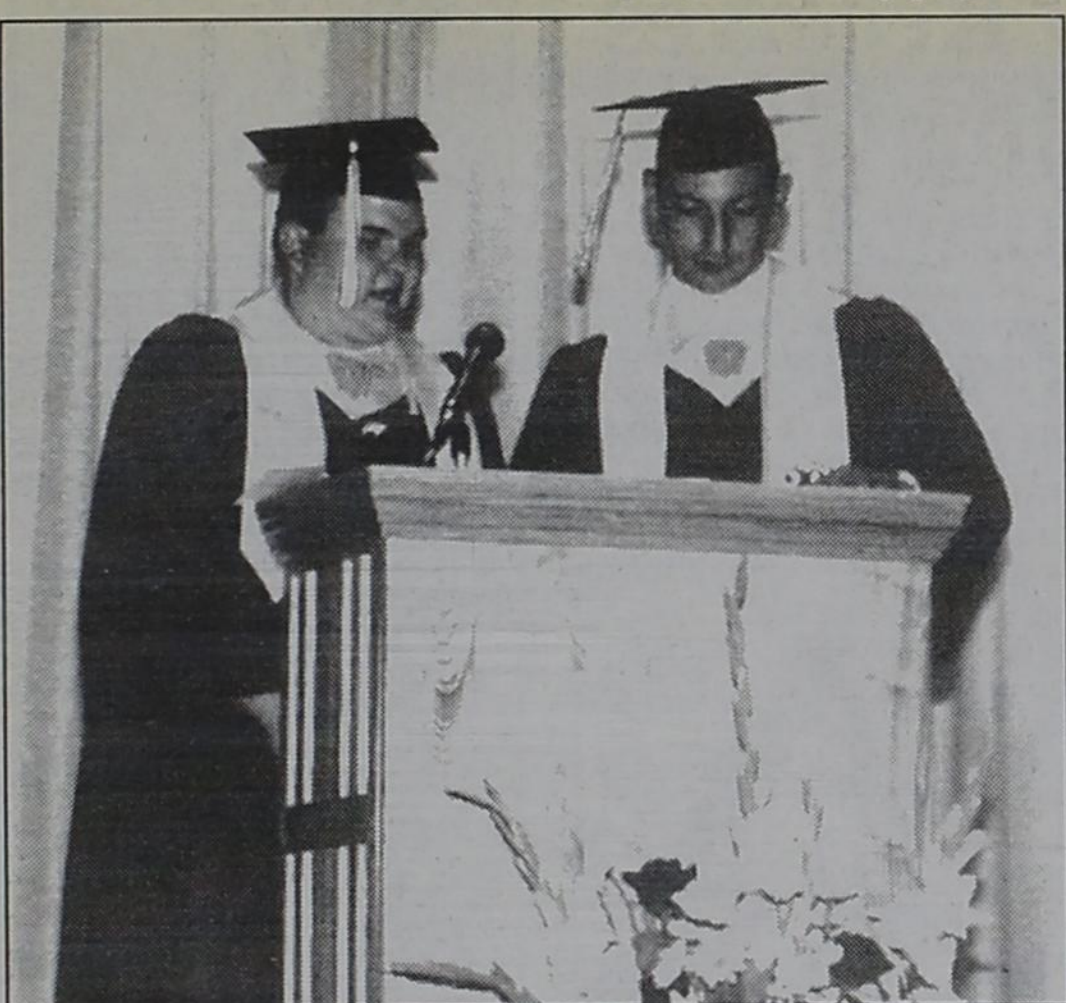
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Clinic Set July 5, 19 In Friona

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and Baptist St. Anthony's Health System will conduct a breast cancer screening clinic at Parmer County Hospital, 1307 Cleveland Avenue in Friona on July 5 and 19.

Breast cancer affects one in eight women. The key to winning the battle against cancer is early detection by having an annual breast exam, mammogram and performing breast self-exam each month.

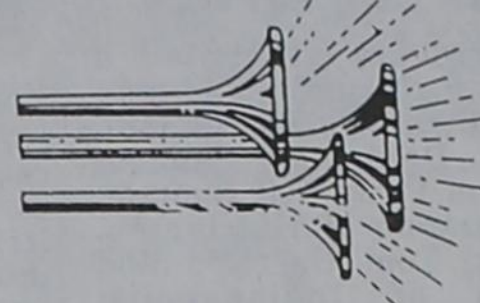
Participants will receive a low-cost screening mammogram. Each woman will receive a breast health risk appraisal and individual instruction by an RN in breast self-examination. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance.

All exams are done by appointments only. Call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673 for more information.

Out Here

By Ron Carr

"Oh! You Have A Macintosh? I'm Sorry!"



An old fellow I knew back in Dallas told me at his 80th birthday party, "I have lived into an age I don't understand. The older I get, the less I know."

We had a good laugh at his comments, assuming he was just being entertaining. I think I was about 40 at the time. I had a good laugh too. I ain't laughing anymore. The older I get, the less I know. And to tell the truth, there is a lot of confusing stuff floating around these days that I don't want to know.

For instance, how about that fine print across the bottom of the TV screen that tells us that what they just told us in the commercial is not really true.

If you live in Friona or Parmer County, you probably received notices last week from the electric company, SPS, and from the city about your water.

Local, state and federal government agencies just can't seem to send out enough notices. Like the fine print on the TV ads, everything a utility or agency does has to be a public notice.

The Southwestern Public Service notice said that, "pursuant to Chapter 39, Subchapter E, of the Texas Utilities Code with the Public Utility Commission of Texas," something is going to happen with our electricity on January 1, 2002.

I think maybe the cost is going up or there are going to be some other electric companies offering to turn my lights on cheaper. Go for it!

The notice from the city told us all that our water is safe to drink. It took five pages plus a cover sheet and if that isn't enough the state requires a public hearing on the status of our drinking water.

That hearing is set for July 10 at 7:30 p.m. at city hall. You can discuss all the federally regulated or monitored constituents found in our water.

I may go to the hearing just to find out what a "monitored constituent" is. I think that is a nice way of saying that they have been checking to see if there is any crapola floatin' in the tank.

My continued confusion is in the area of computers and other electronic gadgets. You just can't buy a simple apparatus anymore.

Tools, lawnmowers, radios, and automobiles require

Comptroller Sends June Sales Tax

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander has sent Texas cities and counties \$199.3 million in monthly sales tax rebates. June payments across the state were up 8.3% compared to June, 1999.

June sales tax rebates represent sales taxes collected in April and reported to the comptroller in May.

Parmer County received \$22,662 in June tax payments, an increase of 9.80% over June, 1999. Of the amount, Bovina received \$1,734; Farwell, \$3,604; and Friona, \$17,314.

Year-to-date in 2000, Parmer County has received \$170,159 in sales tax collections, a 11.71% increase.

Year-to-date, Bovina has received \$15,593; Farwell, \$24,250; and Friona, \$130,315.

a Class C operators license and an understanding of environmental issues to operate.

Everything comes with a remote. It's almost as though they don't want you to ever touch the machinery again after you plug it in. Just point and click.

I will be glad when our experts make everything wireless. There is enough wire and cable behind my computer desk to light up a feedyard. If I ever move, I'll have to pick up the entire computer system, wires and all, and move it as one unit.

I know that if I unplug all those wires I will never get 'em all back in their proper holes, called ports by the upper crust computer crowd.

My confusion really started growing when I thought about getting a new computer for my "home office" which is really only a second bedroom but who wants to call it that any more?

Here at the newspaper, we use Apple Macintosh computers. I'm told that many small newspapers use Macintosh, called Mac by the incrowd, because they are more user friendly than PC's.

PC's confused me too. I thought for the longest time that IBM made PC's. Then I was informed by a snooty PC owner that all computers that are not Macs are called PC's. Well, excuuuuuse me!

My computer at home is a Macintosh Performa 450. That sound you heard was PC users gagging and throwing up all over their little zip drives.

My Performa 450 is like driving a 20-year-old car with no air-conditioner, an AM radio, and a busted fuel pump. Computer aficionados shame me for being so out of it and trying to actually use

such an old computer, especially a Macintosh. It is a wonder that the screen even lites up.

My software and browser were copyrighted in about 1995-96, which in computer years makes my home computer older than Methuselah and Bob Hope.

Everytime I fire up my home computer, it tells me that something else is disconnected, not available, unreadable, or has a busted pipe.

I have been trying to connect to my e-mail for over two weeks but the little box on the screen says my password is no longer a working number.

I tried a new password. Didn't work. Little box said I might have a broken pipe but it would be glad to compress my disk while I'm waiting.

I called my ISP, which is an acronym for the company somewhere that allows you to use their modems and cables to connect to the rest of the universe for only \$21.95 a month.

My local ISP, WT Services in Hereford, has no way of telling me what is wrong with my old unit because they don't know anything about Macintosh systems. The Techies there do not have a Macintosh computer in their service center, which of course makes it less of a service center.

So I have been thinking about getting a new computer for my second bedroom office. I need a bigger, faster, nicer, user friendlier computer. Why, I'm not sure. Because someone smarter than me told me so.

Besides I am tired of people who quit talking to me once they find out I have an old Apple. It's like I am below the computer poverty

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Look! Wow!

Services Held June 7 For Eunice B. Brown

Funeral services for Eunice V. Brown were held Wednesday, June 7, 2000 at 10 a.m. in the United Methodist Church, Osborne, Kansas. Rev. Gary Davison conducted the services. Burial was in Osborne Cemetery.

She was born October 14, 1899 in Mitchell County, Kansas to Abram and Ida Gilbert. She died June 3, 2000 in Osborne, Kansas. She saw a part of three centuries spanning just over 100 years.

Mrs. Brown was an active member of the Osborne United Methodist Church, was involved in the evening circle of the United Methodist Women, served on the Hospital Auxiliary and American Legion Auxiliary.

She was preceded in death by her daughter, Lois Garrison, in 1993.

Survivors include a daughter, Nathalie Simpson of McPherson; grandchildren, Debbie Dent and Paul of Overland Park; Jeff Simpson and Suzanne of Hutchinson, Kansas; Tom Garrison and Regina of Indianapolis, Indiana; Steve Garrison of Fort Dodge; and Becky Jones and Robert of Friona, Texas.

Five great-grandchildren, three step great-grandchildren and six step great-grandchildren also survive.

Pallbearers were Bill Cady, Neil McDanel, Doug Storer, Bob Gantz, Roland Standley and Mike Woolley.

Bob Blean and Richard Pinnick served as honorary pallbearers.

Memorials may be made to the Friona United Methodist Church Endowment Fund.

Cotton News

(from Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.)

The odds played out and the Texas High Plains enjoyed a welcome round of rainfall entering the first weekend of the month as irrigated and non-irrigated producers looked to the sky for help, although generally for different reasons.

Irrigated producers needed the moisture after many were forced to turn on irrigation systems as a result of hot, dry days during the month of May. The rains should allow many growers to conserve some of their irrigation capacity for later in the summer when cotton begins setting bolls and reaches its peak water demand.

Dryland producers were also looking to the sky to either get or keep their crops going. Many thousands of acres had already been dry planted prior to federal crop insurance final planting dates of June 5 and June 10 in hopes that rains would come and crops could be started.

Dryland growers in a few areas that have the later June 10 final planting date will now get into their fields as quickly as possible in order to utilize any moisture they received.

Rains fell over a majority of the area although there are still isolated pockets that received less than an inch of rain during the period and are still marginal at best in terms of being able to establish a viable crop in

2000 without additional rainfall in the next week or two.

Final tallies indicate most areas received between two and four inches of rain in the days preceding June 5. The end result could be some 3.75-4 million acres of cotton planted on the High Plains with less than 10 percent currently in any real danger of abandonment as a result of inadequate subsoil moisture.

Cotton gins across the U.S. should be receiving official announcement and application forms to participate in the just announced cottonseed assistance program.

Gins will be asked to return a single form (CCC Cotton A-6) and include the number of running bales they ginned as well as the total tones of lint they ginned. All applications are due by June 26, 2000. Program administration will be handled from Washington D.C.

Specific details are also available pertaining to the program which was developed to provide assistance to those entities that were most directly affected by low cottonseed prices during the 1999 growing season.

Payments will be made initially to gins because they are generally the most affected by seed prices because they often retain proceeds from cottonseed sales to offset producer ginning expenses. Because of this situation the USDA FAQ sent to County Farm Service Agency offices includes the following statement: "In many cases, the program payment may be appropriately retained in its entirety by the gin."

However, the same document also says that gins are required to share the payment with producers to the extent that the effects of low prices were borne by the producer.

Payments will be calculated on a lint to seed ratio utilizing a factor of 1.59. The program payment rate is estimated to be approximately \$12.25 per

ton.

Application forms will be sent automatically to all gins that participated in the USDA AMS classification program in 1999. Gins that do not received application forms should contact Gene Rosera at 202-720-8481. Gins that are no longer in business, but operated during the 1999 growing season are eligible for the program.

Cotton producers and gins interested in another alternative to provide price protection in their operations may want to look into the newly available cottonseed futures contracts and cottonseed options program being offered by the Minneapolis Grain Exchange.

Producers and gins interested in the program or tracking the contracts and options offered can view them on the DTN systems through the programmable quotes pages.

Anyone interested in having information on these contracts published by DTN as a regular page in either the DTN Cotton or Futures sections, like the Cotton Options Quotes are currently published, should contact DTN and request the service be added. The more requests received by DTN the better the chances of having the Cottonseed futures and options quotes published in a regular, easily reached location on their system.

This year has the potential to present a serious boll weevil threat to many cotton growers not in active eradication zones.

Extension IPM Agents Brant Baugh (Lubbock), Phillip Kidd (Crosby-Floyd), and Kerry Siders (Cochran-Hockley), are strongly encouraging producers to monitor boll weevil emergence

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Chase Suspect Runs Again After Sat. Stop

A suspect charged in a high-speed drunken driving chase into Friona on May 26 was on the run again Saturday night.

Samuel S. "Sammy" Diaz, 22, led DPS Troopers and Friona police on a chase May 26. After his car stalled, he was captured during a foot chase by Friona police.

About midnight Saturday, June 10, Parmer County Deputy Terry Timms stopped a car just east of Bovina. The driver turned out to be Diaz who was driving on a suspended license.

Deputy Timms arrested Diaz and handcuffed him. A female passenger in the vehicle stepped in front of the deputy to ask a question and Diaz once again took off on foot.

He ran over the railroad tracks to the south and disappeared into the darkness. Deputy Timms was joined in the ensuing search by Deputy Sgt. Keith Payne and DPS Trooper Dean Fant, reserve deputies and a couple of volunteers.

In the confusion, the female drove off in the vehicle. Officers had her name and license number. She is believed to be a resident of Hereford and warrants were

being issued for both at press time.

Diaz, who was reported in the previous case as a resident of Mulshoe, had an address in Bovina, according to deputies. The search of Bovina continued throughout Sunday but Diaz was not found.

If you have any information on the whereabouts of Sammy Diaz please contact the Sheriff's office at 806-481-3303.

SBA Disaster Loan Filing Deadline Near

Businesses in some Texas counties have until July 3, 2000 to file applications for low-interest disaster loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA).

The SBA's Economic Injury Disaster Loans are available for businesses dependent on farmers and ranchers sustaining crop losses due to flooding, hail and wind damage that occurred from April 14 through June 30, 1999. Farmers and ranchers are not eligible for these SBA loans.

Businesses in the following counties are eligible to apply:

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Applications and further information can be obtained by calling the SBA toll-free at 1-800-366-6303 or TDD 817-267-4688 for the hearing impaired.

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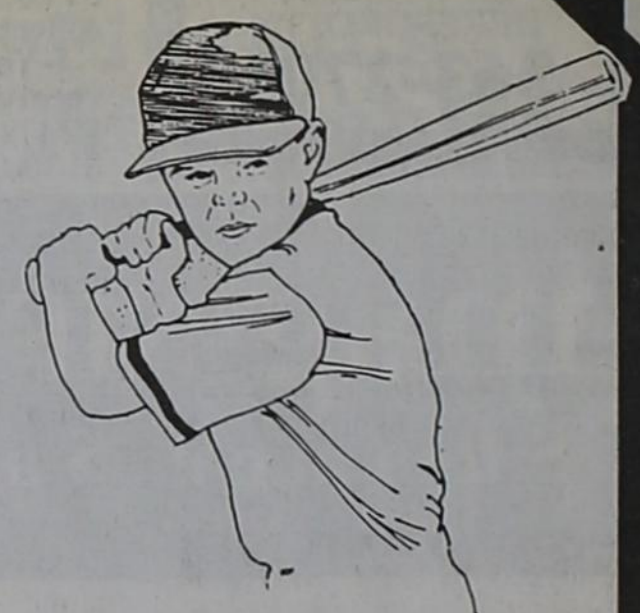
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All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

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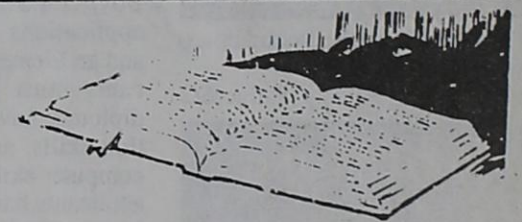


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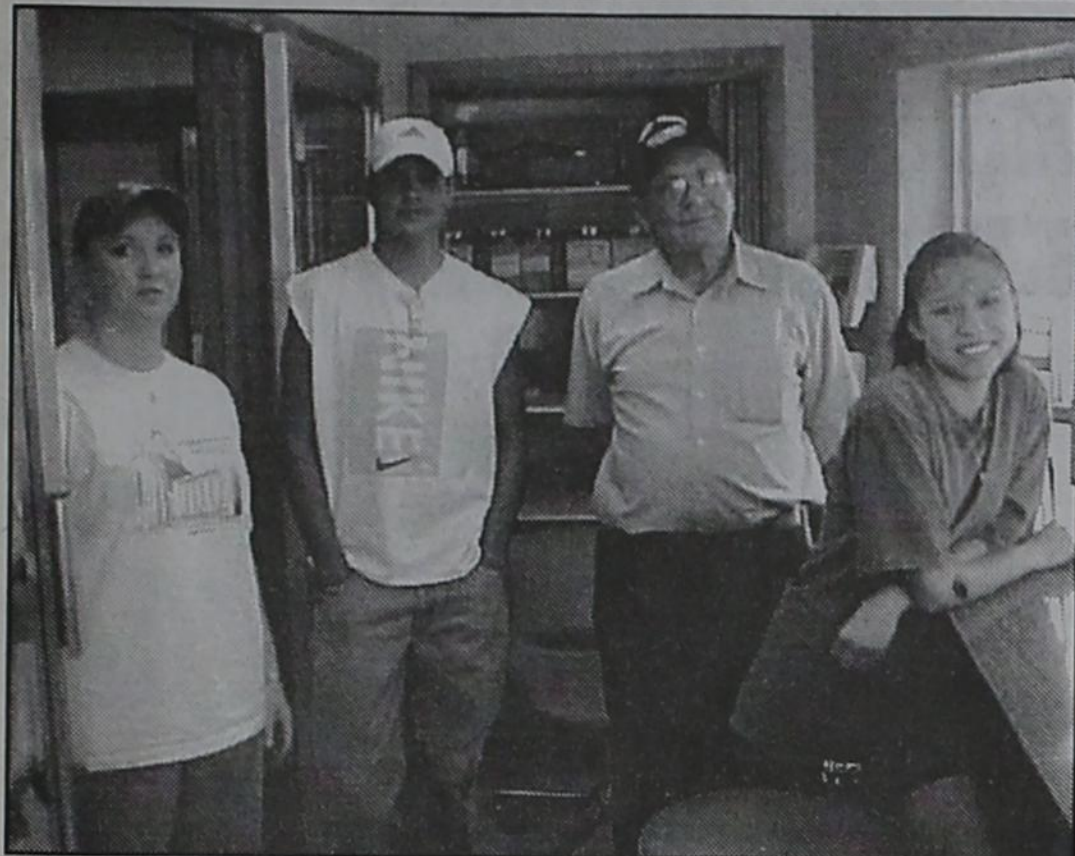
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When you have news items

Karen Saddler and John Schlenker were married over the weekend in the home of her parents, Leon and Elois Saddler of Bovina. The newlywed couple now lives in the Rhea area.

Minnie Kelso had company last week. Her friend Susan Robinson of Animos, New Mexico, former teacher of Clovis who once taught in Bovina, stayed with Mrs. Kelso for five days. Susan's daughter Rose and her son young son, of Dallas, were also here.

When Susan returned to Animos she took her grandson with her to stay a couple of weeks.

Dick and Mary Steelman and their daughter, Leah Mason and her husband, Bryan and daughters Ashton, Mallie and Brynna, all went to the Steelmans' Eagles Nest place last week.

The guys worked during their stay putting a roof on the new deck and building a storage building. Mary, Leah and the girls enjoyed hanging

out and enjoying the area.

Rick Anderson was a patient in the Friona and Hereford hospitals last week. His tonsils were infected and had to be removed. He is home now and feeling much better.

Don and Juanda Murphy's first great-grandson was born a month early last Friday, June 9. (The couple has three great-granddaughters.)

Doctors in Clovis decided to deliver Zachary Michael Shover early because of a problem with his small intestines they noticed in a sonogram.

After the birth Zachary was air lifted to University Medical Center in Lubbock for surgery Saturday evening. He is doing better and is expected to spend the next thirty days in the hospital recovering.

Little Zachary weighed five pounds, ten ounces and measured eighteen and one half inches long.

His parents are Dean and Michelle Shover of Farwell. Grandparents are Bobby and Darlene Foster of Midlothian and Beverly Tims of Oklahoma.

Great-grandparents are Don and Juanda Murphy of Bovina; Wayne and Louise Foster of Oklahoma Lane and Jerry Tims of Farwell.

The Bovina First Baptist Church youth are spending the week in Glorieta, New Mexico. They left last Saturday and will return this Saturday, June 17. We'll

have a report next week on who went and what they did.

Last Friday Lola Parson and her daughter Patricia Martinez got the great news that they have been waiting for about Patricia's brain tumor-it has not spread and it has even shrunk some.

Patricia was diagnosed with a brain tumor last November. She has lost the sight in her right eye and has trouble with balance.

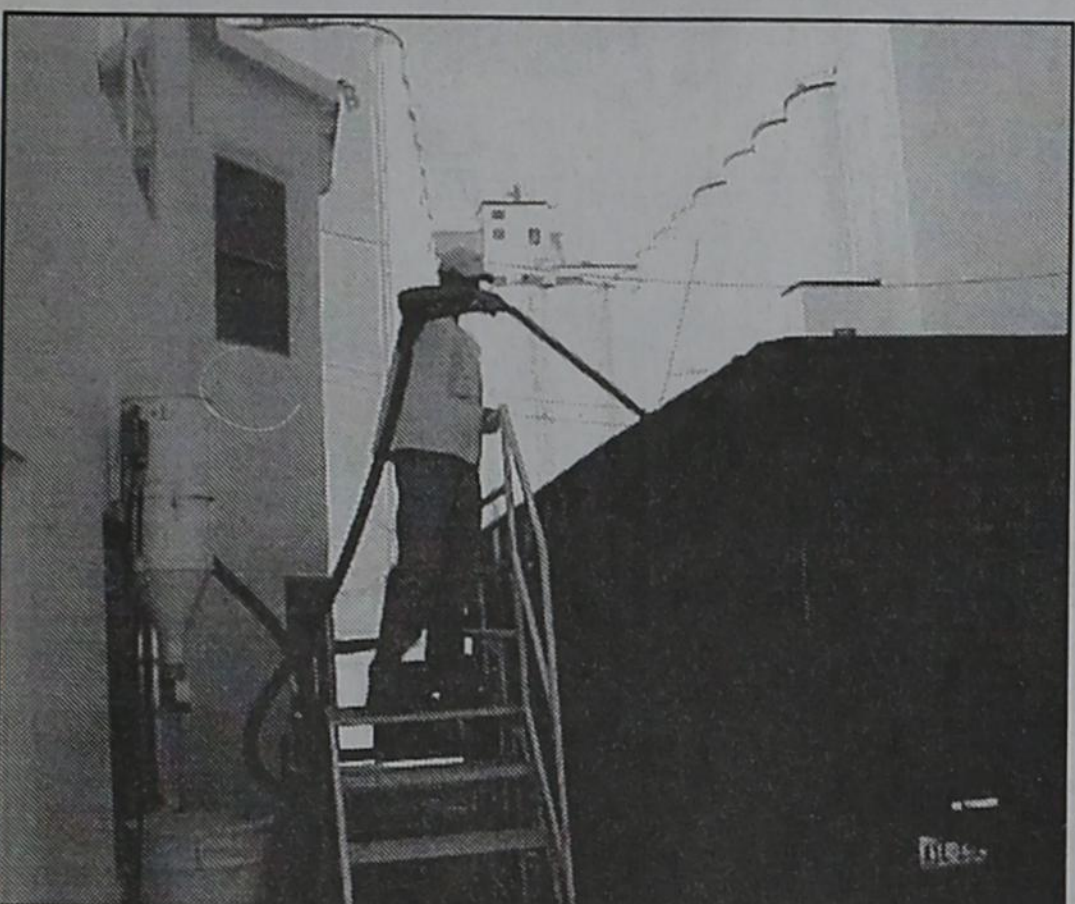
They have been concerned that the cancer has spread but doctors say that she is doing some better.

Patricia, who lives in

Amarillo, is staying in Bovina with her mother this summer. Her son, Joshua, 9, is playing summer baseball in Friona. Her daughter, Katie is seven-years-old.

Becky and Ty London went to Odessa over the weekend to visit family. We stayed with my older sister and her family, Ruby and Randy Hamilton and their children, Garry and Brooklyn.

Ty was very happy to see his aunt Robyn Norris who just moved to Odessa from Bovina. She is doing fine and says to tell everyone in Bovina "Hello!"



SHERLEY GRAIN ELEVATOR has been busy with wheat harvest in full swing. Top, A.J. Carrasco takes a sample from a load of wheat. Below, Sherley Grain employees Lori Stormes, A.J. Carrasco, elevator manager Harry Johnson and Stephanie Tamez are happy to help.



BHS Final Honor Roll Released

Principal Wayne Erwin released the final honor roll for the 1999-2000 school year at Bovina high school.

On the ALL A honor roll at Bovina High School were: Marisol Antillon, Angela Villarreal, Melissa Cano and Sandra Guevara.

The ALL AB honor roll indicates students that made all A's and no more than one B in their final end-of-year average.

Students on the ALL AB honor roll are Randa Englant, Sandra Zapata, Kelcey Scroggins, Tyson Kerby, Juan Vara, Danny Martinez, Yancy Graves and Patricia Robles.

Jason Kerby Graduates

Jason Kerby, a graduate of Bovina High School, graduated from Western Texas College on May 5. WTC is located in Snyder, Texas.

He received an associate of applied science golf/landscape technology degree. His parents are Al, Jr. and Susan Kerby of Bovina.

Jose Garcia Makes SPC Dean's List

Jose Garcia of Bovina has been named to the Dean's Honor List for the spring 2000 semester at South Plains College, Levelland.

Students named to the President's Honor List have maintained a perfect 4.0 or straight A grade point average while enrolled in at least twelve semester hours in college-level work.

Those named to the Dean's Honor List have maintained a minimum 3.25 GPA while enrolled in at least 12 semester hours in college-level work with no failing grades.

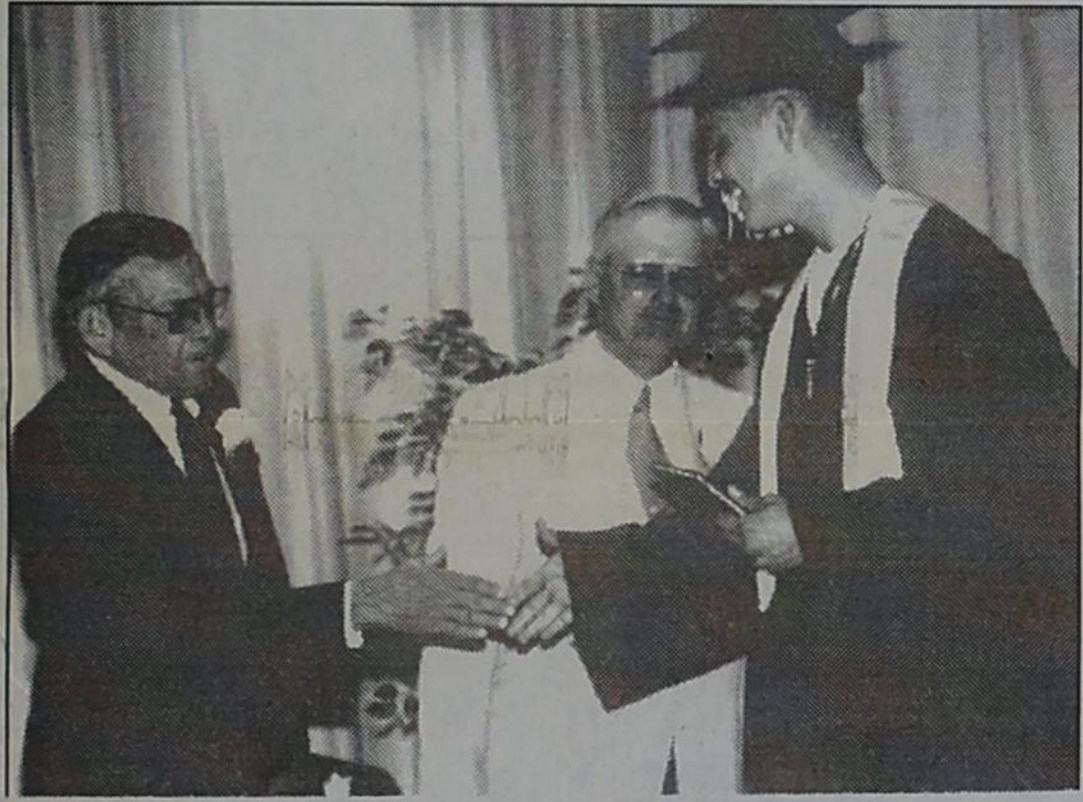
"We want to commend these students for their diligence and hard work in maintaining excellent grades during the spring semester at SPC," said Dr. Gary McDaniel, SPC president. "The President's Honor List and Dean's Honor Lists are a means to recognize their academic achievements."

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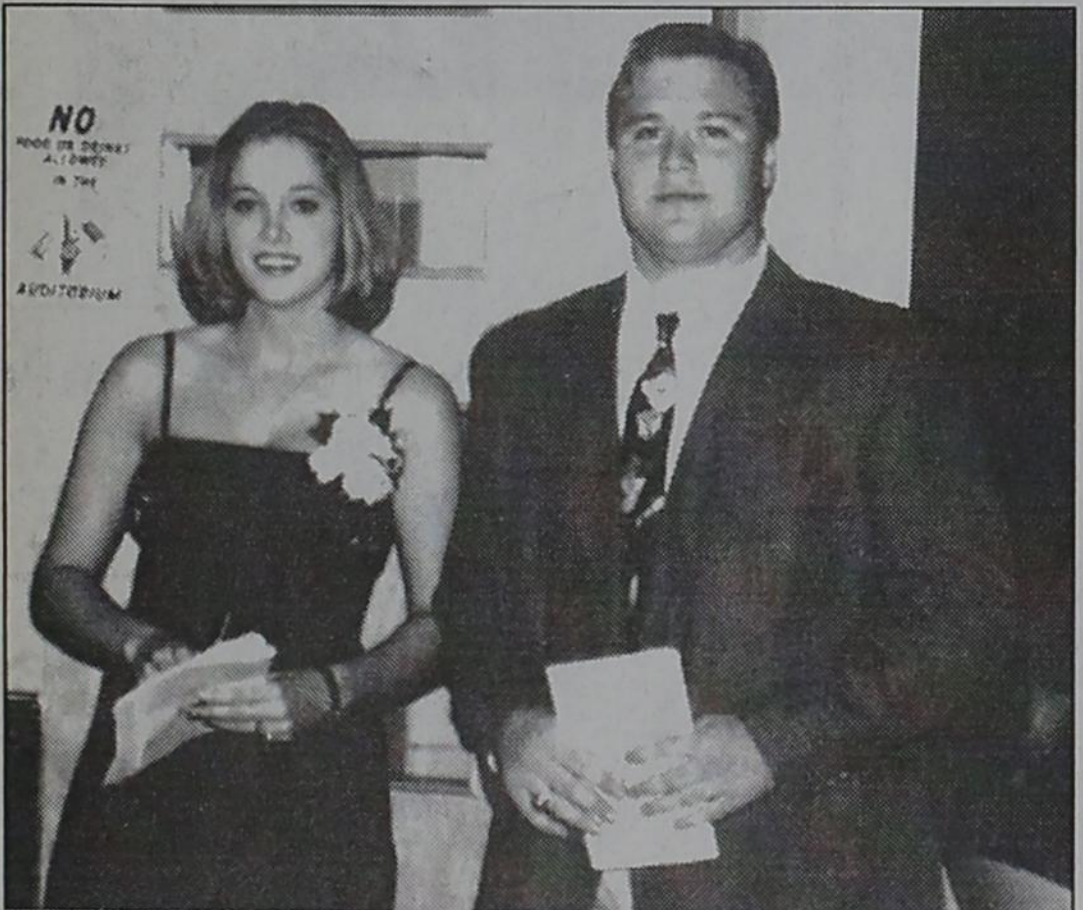
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MELISSA, MARISOL, & ALVARO taking roses to their parents

Happy Birthday

Birthdays for the week of June 18-24, 2000.

Jun 19 Betty McClaran, Raymond Drager

Jun 22 Janie Sherbon

Jun 23 Matthew Hromas, Laura Tritch, Wanda Burney

To make changes and corrections or to add a name to our birthday list, call 238-1523 (leave a message) or write Drawer B, 79009.

Luke Steelman Makes Honor List At A&M

Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas, has named its honor students for the 2000 spring semester, recognizing several thousand students for outstanding academic performance.

The Dean's Honor Roll recognizes students taking at least fifteen semester hours who have maintained at least a 3.75 grade point ratio (GPR) out of a possible 4.0 during the most recent grading period.

Timothy Lucas "Luke" Steelman of Bovina was listed on the honor roll.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Bovina exchange has petitioned the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) to expand its local calling area to the Dimmitt, Friona, Hereford, Hub and Parmer exchanges. To learn more about this petition, you may contact the petition coordinator, Colby Waters at (806) 238-1116. Expanded Toll-Free Local Calling (ELC) Service will allow you to call and be called by the requested exchange(s) on a local call basis (no toll charges). All exchanges that pass the ballot will be added to your local calling area for a maximum monthly per line total ELC charge of no more than \$3.50 for residence, \$7.00 for business.

GTE filed a statewide ELC surcharge application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas and has obtained final approval to charge customers a monthly surcharge of \$0.73 per line. Effective with the April 10, 1997 billing cycle, customers who do not presently pay the maximum of \$3.50 (residence) and \$7.00 (business) fees for Expanded Local Calling (ELC) will be assessed this surcharge. Customers will not be charged more than \$3.50 (residence) and \$7.00 (business) per line per month for up to five ELC exchanges. These maximum fees include the approved \$0.73 surcharge.

The fees associated with ELC are mandatory. If any exchanges pass the ballot, the fees will be paid by all subscribers in the petitioning exchange. The fees will be in addition to your local monthly telephone service charges.

Within the next 15 days GTE will mail ballots to all customers in the Bovina exchange to determine whether support exists for expansion of the local calling area. After marking the ballot, customers should sign their name and return the ballot to the PUC. A stamped self-addressed envelope will be provided with the ballot. At least 70% of the subscribers who return their ballots must vote in favor of expanded local calling on a per exchange basis for it to be provided. If the ballot fails to all exchanges, your service will not change, and no fees will apply. No fees will be charged until they are approved and service is provided according to the PUC Rules.

The PUC has assigned this matter Project No. 22475. Interested persons should direct any comments that they may have about the petition to the PUC, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326, or they may call the PUC Information Office at (512) 936-7140 or (512) 936-7136, teletypewriter for the deaf.

AVISO PUBLICO

El intercambio de Bovina ha solicitado a la Comisión de Servicio Público de Texas ("Public Utility Commission of Texas-PUC") la expansión de la área de sus llamadas locales, a los intercambios de Hereford, Dimmitt, Friona, Hub y Parmer. Para aprender más con respecto a esta solicitud, sírvase contactar con el/la coordinador/a de la solicitud, Colby Waters al número (806) 238-1116. Este servicio conocido como llamadas expandidas localmente (Expanded Local Calling-ELC), le permitirá llamar a estos intercambios y ser llamado/a como una llamada local (sin cargos adicionales). Todos los intercambios que reciban suficientes votos favorables serán añadidos a su área de llamadas locales por una tarifa mensual máxima total de ELC de no mayor de \$3.50 por cada línea para servicio residencial, \$7.00 para comercial.

GTE presentó una aplicación de recargo ELC estatal con la Comisión de Servicio Público de Tejas y ha obtenido la aprobación para cobrar a clientes un recargo mensual de \$0.73 por línea. Efectivo con el ciclo de facturación de April 10, 1997, clientes que actualmente no pagan tarifas máximas de \$3.50 (residencia) y \$7.00 (negocio) por el Servicio de Expansión de Llamadas Locales (ELC) serán cargados con este recargo, sujeto a reembolso, hasta el tiempo en que la Comisión haya ingresado una orden final. Clientes no serán cargados más de \$3.50 (residencia) y \$7.00 (negocio) por línea, por mes por hasta cinco intercambios ELC. Estas tarifas máximas incluyen cualquier recargo aprobado asociado con ELC.

Las tarifas asociadas con ELC son mandatorias. En caso de que cualquiera de los intercambios reciban suficientes votos a favor, a través de dicha boleta, las tarifas serán pagadas por todos los suscriptores en el intercambio solicitado. Las tarifas serán añadidas a los cargos de su servicio telefónico mensual local.

Dentro de los próximos quince (15) días GTE despachará por correo boletas a todos los clientes en el intercambio de Bovina con el fin de determinar si existe justificación y respaldo para la expansión de la área de llamadas locales. Luego de marcar la boleta, los clientes deberán firmar su nombre y remitir la boleta a la PUC. Un sobre con estampilla y dirección de retorno será incluido con la misma boleta. Por lo menos 70% de los suscriptores que retornen esta boleta deben dar su voto a favor del Servicio Expandido de Llamadas en base a cada intercambio para que este servicio sea provisto. En caso de que la boleta no satisfaga a todos los intercambios, su servicio no cambiará y no se aplicará ninguna tarifa adicional. Ninguna tarifa será cobrada hasta que sean aprobadas y el servicio sea provisto de acuerdo con las regulaciones de la PUC.

La PUC ha asignado a este Proyecto el Número 22475. Aquellas personas interesadas deberán dirigir cualquier comentario al respecto a la PUC, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326, o llamar a la PUC-Oficina de Información al (512) 936-7140 o (512) 936-7136, teletipo de escribir para las personas que están privadas del sentido del oído.



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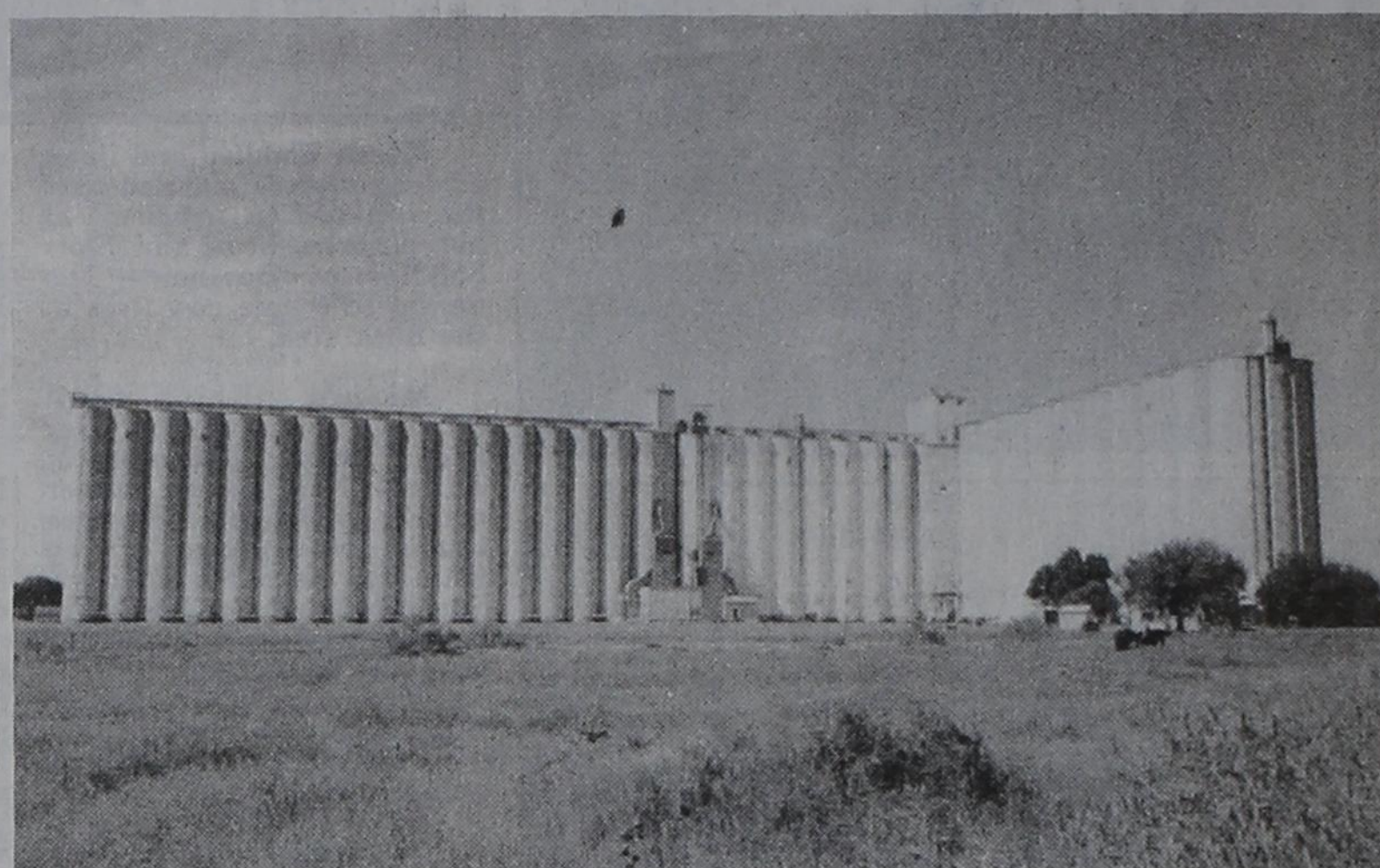
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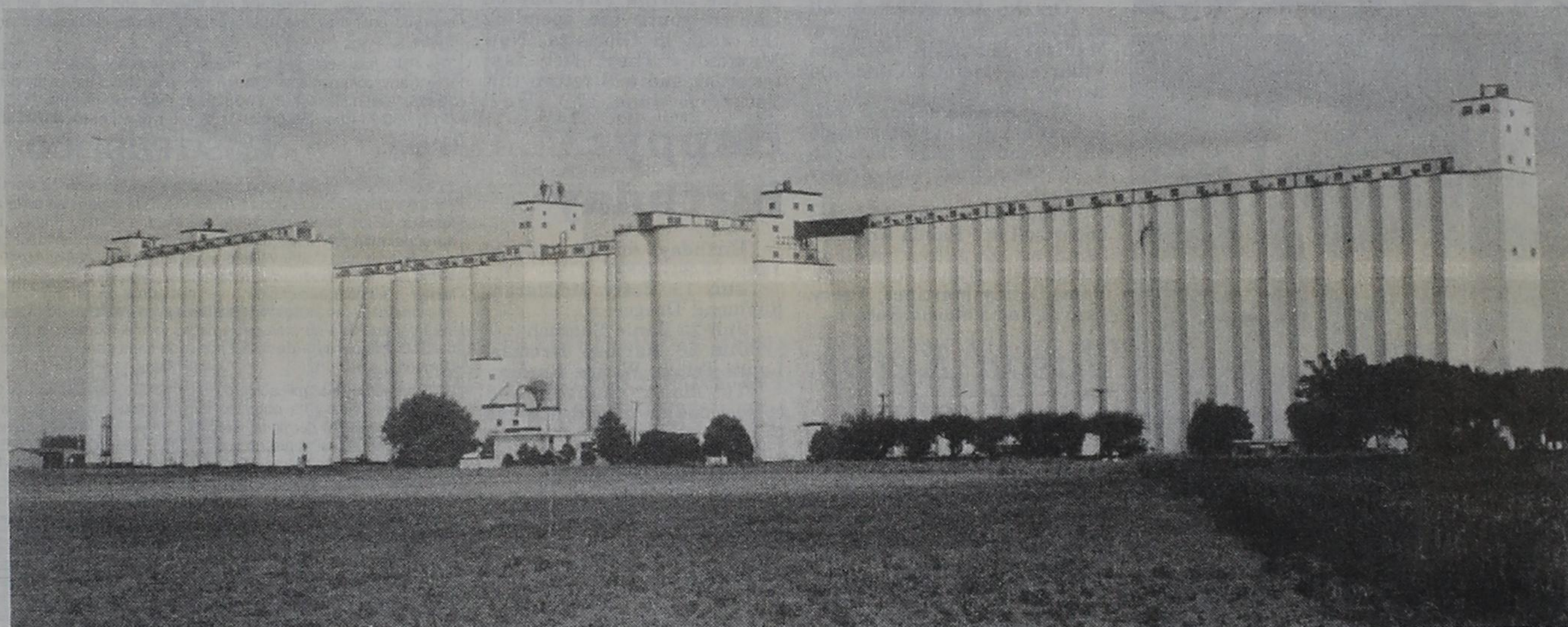


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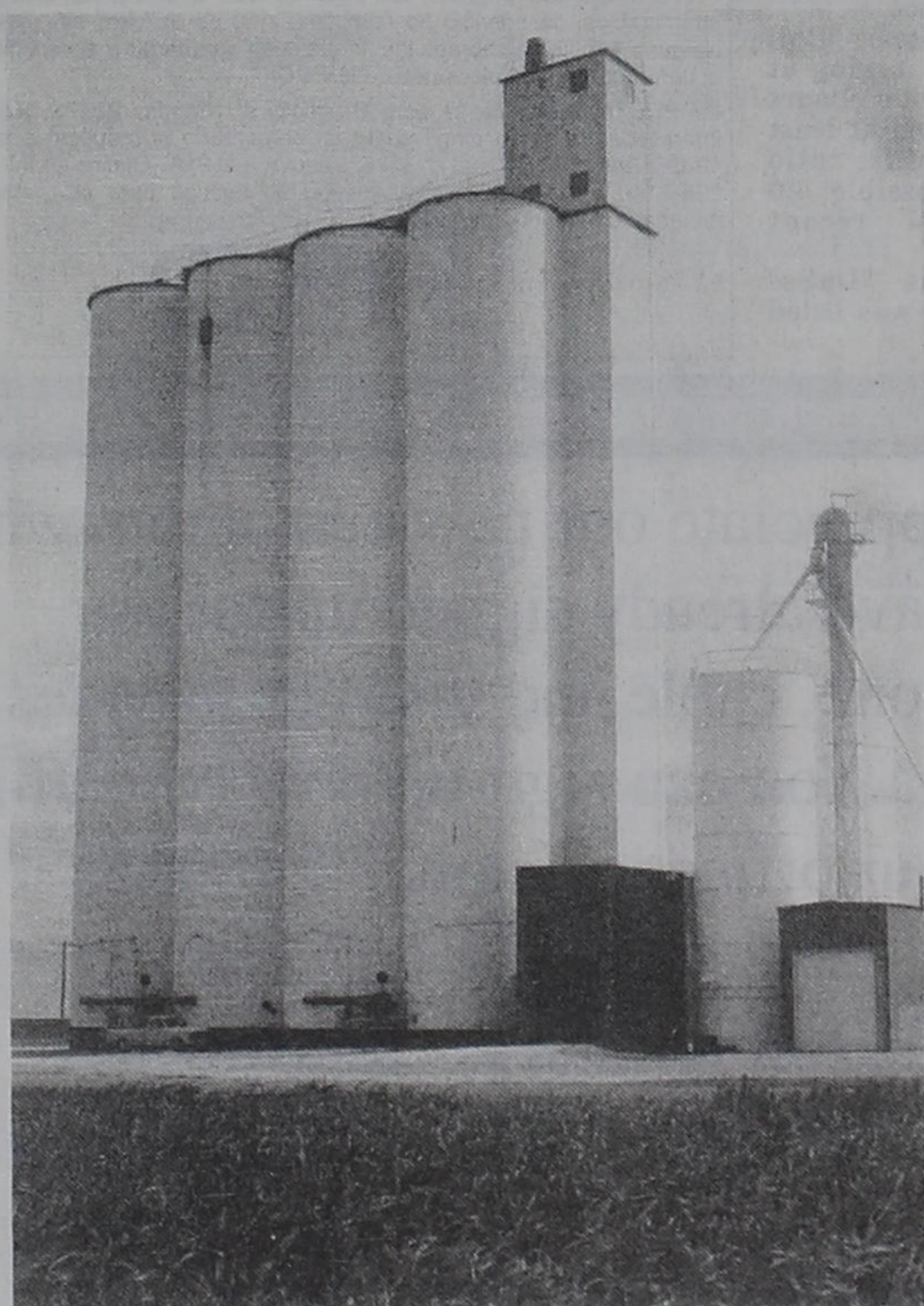
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