

Expect Crowd Of Thousands To Attend Bovina's Sixth Bull Town Days Event



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WHITTLIN

By DOLPH MOTEN

Bull Town Days time again it is.

From here, it looks as though the people in Bull Town have everything in readiness for the annual celebration except for a few last minute details, which always, amazingly, seem to get done.

The bull statue is ready for its dual dedication ceremonies and in just a few hours the choice beef will go on the barbecue pits and be "just right" for the Friday evening supper, which is again expected to attract thousands of people to temporarily more than double the population of this central Parmer County community.

So, in way of welcome, we'll say:

Come on in, the celebration's fine!

It's an ill wind that blows no good.

Green bugs, which have infested the Parmer County grain sorghum crop during the past two years are considered an expensive menace to the farmers. About the only thing good about the insects is that, by spraying, they can be controlled.

As far as most people here know, there was no major green bug damage to grain sorghum prior to last year---'68. But that year and this saw the bug population build up to the point that regular spraying with insecticides was necessary to control the maize yield - destroying bugs.

The "good" part of this deal, unless you're in the aerial spraying business, is that the insecticides which are used to control the green bugs will also, evidently, control mosquitoes.

The mosquito population hereabouts during these past two years has been almost nil. If we've seen a mosquito this summer, we don't remember it.

Prior to all this spraying business, mosquitoes were certainly a problem. Cities were forced to spray at least on a weekly basis in an effort to make it comfortable for their citizens to get out in their yards in the late afternoons and nights.

Parathion is one of the chemicals most often used to control the green bugs in the grain sorghum and it is the one given the credit for keeping the mosquito population killed out. Maybe other chemicals help in this, too.

We're getting into the chemical business over our head when we even bring up these points. But it could be that these same chemicals are also aiding in keeping down the fly count.

Flies, certainly, aren't as scarce as are mosquitoes, but some people feel they are not as numerous as they were say three years ago. Other folks will tell you there are just as many flies as ever so we won't argue over that part of the insect situation.

But we will take our hat off to whoever and whatever is responsible for getting us out of the mosquito business.

At long last, agricultural chemicals may be able to do with mosquitoes what most folks wish Noah had done when he had that pair on the ark.....eliminate 'em!

People who are in the housing business should take a look at Bovina.

That information may be worth just as much as we're charging for it, but it looks from this angle that opportunity is knocking in this area for people who will provide places for other people to live.

Houses, apartments and whataveyou for dwellings, as far as we know, are not necessarily at a premium, price-wise, but they're about as scarce as hen's teeth if you need to find one in a hurry for a family to live in.

L. F. Jacobs, the school superintendent, says he's having plenty of difficulty in finding suitable housing (that

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Thousands Will Eat --

Community Barbeque Scheduled For Friday

There will again be barbeque for everyone, Friday afternoon at 6 p.m., in downtown Bovina. The free barbeque is one of the focal points of Bull Town Days.

Last year approximately 2,800 people were served Bull Town beef at the community

meal, and that figure will probably be exceeded, as more and more people are attracted to Bull Town Days.

Beef for the meal was purchased from Missouri Beef Packers in Friona. "They helped us out a lot," commented one of the cooks, Mutt Graham.

Graham and R. L. Hopingardner, chief cooks, purchased six beeves through the packers, each weighing "about 650 pounds," Graham estimated.

The beef will be delivered to the grills located at Bovina Gin Co., and said Graham, "We'll try to be on the pits by four Thursday night and come off by four the next morning."

The approximately 4,000 pounds of barbecued Bull Town beef will be wrapped in foil and stored in insulated boxes until supper time. The insulated boxes will be opened and the meat sliced as it is served to several thousand hungry Bull Town visitors.

Far be it for the cooks to limit the meal to only meat, though. To keep nutrition-minded eaters and just plain hungry folks happy, approxi-

mately 300 pounds of pinto beans will also be cooked.

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Friday --

Old Timers Set Reunion, Lunch

Registration for the Bull Town Days Old Timers Reunion will begin at 10 a.m. Friday in the city police department on Main Street.

A community basket lunch honoring old-timers and former residents will be held at noon in the Masonic Lodge Hall. The lunch was held at the school last year, but sponsors of the event, the Bovina Woman's Study Club felt that attendance would be better at the Lodge Hall and moved the event back downtown this year.

Everyone is invited, not just

old timers, says Mrs. O. H. Jones, a Study Club member.

Last year, perennial winner, Frank Hastings was cited as being the oldest old-timer. Hastings came to Bovina in 1902.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kelley of Salinas, Calif., came the farthest distance to the celebration.

Both winners were presented trophies.

Drinks to accompany the meal will be provided by the Study Club.

Weather
By Willie

Hot and dry, but good chance for showers last of week.

This has been longest hot spell since 1951.

---Willie

Two Ceremonies --

Bull Statue Unveiling Highlights Activities

Highlighting Bull Town Days 1969 will be the dedication of a bull statue to accompany the historical marker erected in conjunction with last year's celebration.

The marker became "official" last year during Bull Town Days, when the president of the Texas State Historical Commission, Charles Woodburn, of Amarillo, participated in dedication ceremonies.

The marker is on Highway 60, between Bovina Restaurant and Sands Motel.

panying bull statue in early April.

A contract was let to Jim Richards, a Texas Tech graduate student who has made similar bronze and copper objects, and rock for the base of the statue was acquired from the Elmer Boney ranch, near San Jon, N.M.

The bull resembles a red-necked, white-faced-Longhorn, similar to the type which turned the High Plains into a productive cattle area.

The statue weighs 1,500 pounds, is six feet tall at the shoulders, and has a horn spread of 40 inches.

The platform, which has stood lonely and forlorn since May, is four feet tall, three feet wide, and seven feet long.

Last week, the finished bull statue was placed and secured on the platform, and now waits patiently to be unveiled.

Two dedication ceremonies will present the bull to townspeople and visitors during Bull Town Days activities.

Rouel Barron, a former Roping Club president and now secretary-treasurer, will be in charge of the first ceremony, Friday at 3 p.m.

Original plans called for only

a 4 p.m. Saturday dedication, but Club members decided to have another to provide everyone with an additional chance to participate.

Friday's ceremony will feature introduction of former Roping Club presidents, Robert Calaway, Wendell Garner, and the current chief, Owen Patton.

Saturday, the regularly scheduled dedication will be supervised by Jack McCracken, at 4 p.m.

McCracken is a past general chairman of Bull Town Days and is now a resident of Clovis.

Three - Day Schedule Starts Here Thursday

Bovina's sixth annual Bull Town Days celebration gets underway this week, with three days of activities scheduled to please just about any tastes.

Beginning Thursday and continuing through Saturday, the events are expected to attract thousands of people, as they have in the past. An estimated 3,000 attended Bull Town Days '68.

Approximately 2,800 came to supper Friday night last year at the free downtown barbeque. As many, if not more are expected to enjoy the beef, home-grown cantaloupes, and pinto beans at this year's meal.

Thursday afternoon's jack-pot calf roping kicks off the celebration. It is scheduled for 1 p.m. in the roping arena, and will be followed by boys calf-riding. Admission, which includes both events, is \$1 and 50 cents.

Later Thursday, at 6 and 6:30 p.m., the men's and women's cow calling and beard growing contests will be held.

Anyone who thinks they possess the vocal qualities necessary to attract cows is eligible to enter. Men who have neglected to purchase a shaving permit and now sport luxuriant growths, will have their fuzz judged as soon as the cows have been called. Both events will be at the roping arena.

Hold on to your seat, because the Bull Town Days Queen contest is scheduled to follow at 7 p.m., also in the arena.

Nine girls will be judged on their appearance and horsemanship, with a queen and two runners-up selected to reign over the 1969 celebration.

Immediately after the queen contestants move from the arena, the spotlight shifts to the Bovina Schools auditorium. The Bull Town Days variety show will be staged there at 8:30.

Mrs. Mike Barraza, director, promises an unforgettable evening in an Old West setting. The show has traditionally played to standing-room only crowds. Admission is \$1 per family.

Winners in the beard-growing, cow calling, and queen contests will be announced at intermission of the show.

Bull Town Friday gets off to an early start with a chuckwagon breakfast slated from 7-9 a.m. in the Bovina Gin yard. Members of Bovina Roping Club will serve scrambled eggs and sausage, complete with the flavor of early morning on the High Plains.

Old-timers registration will be from 10 a.m. to noon in the downtown police department. Bovina Woman's Study Club is overseeing the registration, and a community basket lunch. The lunch is scheduled for noon in the Masonic Lodge Hall, and all celebrants are invited.

Also beginning at 10 a.m. and lasting until 2 p.m., are horsemanship activities at the roping arena. Everyone is invited to bring their horse and participate. An eight-man pony express race will be included in these events.

The first dedication of the bull statue accompanying Bovina's historical marker will be at 3 p.m. Friday. Members of the Roping Club will supervise the informal ceremony.

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This Week --

Blade Features Special Edition

This week's special Bull Town Days edition of The Blade is being distributed throughout Parmer County on a box-holder basis.

Containing approximately 30 pages, in three sections, this issue describes in detail all of the activities associated with Bull Town Days.

This is the sixth year for a special, larger-than-usual edition to be printed and distributed in this area.

Extra copies prepared for mailing are available at The Blade office, Third and Main Streets.

Chuckwagon Style --

Breakfast At 7 Friday Morning

A chuckwagon breakfast will kick off the second Bull Town day, Friday.

Slated for 7 to 9 a.m. in the Bovina Gin yard, the meal will feature scrambled eggs, sausage, and biscuits.

Vernon Estes will be in charge of cooking the \$1 breakfast for the second year.

Bovina Roping Club will be supervising the early morning cook-out with Rouel Barron serving as cashier.

Profits, which are expected to be minimal, will be used to pay general expenses for Bull Town Days.

In the past, the breakfast has proved to be a popular addition to the list of activities during the three-day affair.



PAM GRISSOM

Bull Town Days --

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Beginning at 4 p.m., the Bull Town Days parade will wind through Bovina, with trophies awaiting entries in three categories; floats, and junior and senior riding clubs.

Hungry paraders can join the spectators at 6 p.m. for a massive downtown cook-out. Over 3,000 pounds of barbequed beef will be served to Bull Towners and visitors at that time. Pinto beans, cantaloupes, and drinks will accompany the beef.

Mutt Graham and R. L. Hoppingardner are the chief cooks for the meal, with special mesquite wood for cooking furnished by the Young Farmers.

At 8:15, awards for the winners in the days events will be presented. Following this, participants will have a chance to dance-off some of that barbeque in the square dance contest and downtown square dancing.

Square-dance chairman Pat Kunselman expects 10 squares of dancers to participate in the contest.

For those who favor another kind of dancing, "The Intruders," a rock band, will provide music for the teen dance. Mrs. Marie Venable announces that it will be from 9 until midnight in the American Legion Hall, with \$1.50 per person admission charge.

Bull Towners can wake up Saturday morning, full of barbeque, and tired from dancing, to find another day of activities awaiting.

Saturday at 10 a.m., the Bovina Roping Club sponsors its ninth annual Quarter Horse show. The club sponsored this show even before Bull Town Days came into existence.

The bull statue on Highway 60 will be officially dedicated at 4 p.m. Saturday. Jack McCracken will be in charge of the unveiling ceremonies. The statue will accompany the historical marker dedicated at last year's BTD celebration, and will be a life-like representation of what was responsible for Bovina's existence as a town.

Three cash prizes, totaling \$100 will be awarded to the best old-time fiddlers. Pearl Singleterry and Al Kerby will be supervising the competition, at 5 p.m. Friday.

An expanded ex-students banquet will be held at 7 p.m. in Bovina Schools cafeteria. More time has been allowed this year for visiting, and exes will be treated to a fashion show recalling what the stylish Bovina coed wore to class in the 1920's.

Closing the three day affair will be a western dance, Saturday night in the American Legion Hall. Music will be by a band from Lubbock, "The Country Gentlemen," and admission will be \$1.50 per person.

Carnival rides will be set up at a later date. They were scheduled to coincide with the BTD celebration, but a booking mix-up has forced them to come to Bull Town a little later.

Stories concerning individual events during Bull Town Days, 1969, appear throughout this week's issue of The Blade.

In Miss Grain Sorghum Contest --

Miss Grissom Ties For 1st Runner-Up

Miss Pamela Grissom, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Grissom of Bovina, tied for first runner-up in the Miss Grain Sorghum of the Nation. She will receive a \$375 scholarship.

The annual contest was held in Dimmitt Saturday, with 30 girls from Texas, Colorado, New Mexico, and Kansas competing for the honors.

The girls were each judged on talent, personality, and in a swimsuit and formal. They were also interviewed.

Miss Grissom, a senior in Bovina High School, and featured twirler for the band, twirled Samoan swords and did a jazz dance with fire bowls to music from "Flower Drum Song" as her talent during the pageant.

Miss Grissom was sponsored in the contest by the First State Bank of Bovina. "We appreciate them sponsoring her very much," said Mrs. Grissom.

The winner of the contest was Karen Lafferty, of Farmington, N.M. The 21-year old Eastern New Mexico University senior sang and accompanied herself with a guitar. She received a \$1,000 scholarship.

Tying with Miss Grissom for runner-up honors was Cindy Saied of Wellington. Her talent presentation consisted of a Charleston dance. Both she and Miss Grissom plan to attend Texas Tech.

Pam is a former Bull Town Days queen.

Year Begins Aug. 26th --

School's Budget Hearing Monday

The proposed budget of Bovina Independent School District will be considered, and possibly approved, at a meeting of the board of trustees Monday night.

The meeting will be open to the public, announces L. F. Jacobs, superintendent. The budget will be increased from last year's. Bulk of the increase,

the superintendent points out, comes from a pay raise for teachers and most of this money will be provided through the state.

The meeting is scheduled to begin at 8:30 p.m. and will be in the board meeting room in the main school building.

Two vacancies presently

exist on the faculty for the forthcoming year, Jacobs said this week. Yet to be named are a junior high principal and a high school English teacher. Faculty members who have recently been signed are expected to be officially approved by the board at the Monday night meeting.

Whittlin' --

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mean's any kind) for prospective teachers in the school system here. We could go on and on with examples people are having in finding a place to live.

By pointing out this shortage, we don't mean to discourage any prospective new citizens from considering moving to this area. As a matter of fact, we'd rather view the situation as opportunity than as a problem.

Frankly, we'd rather live... and newspaper... in a town where

housing was short than in one where there were hundreds of vacancies and a newcomer could take his choice of several for buying or renting.

Still, additional housing is a must if our population growth is to continue at the rate of which it is capable.

The investment return in housing is slow, the big boys tell us, but it is highly dependable and steady.

Whatever it takes, we need to do some of it to attract more people to our great area.

School is scheduled to begin this year Tuesday, August 26.

Pre-school registration for high school and junior high students will be conducted Monday, the 25th, with the exact schedule to be announced next week.

Also asked to register Monday, the 25th, are first grader students who were not pre-registered last spring. They will need to bring their birth certificates to registration, Jacobs says.

***** Official announcement of the budget hearing is made in an advertisement in this week's issue of The Blade.

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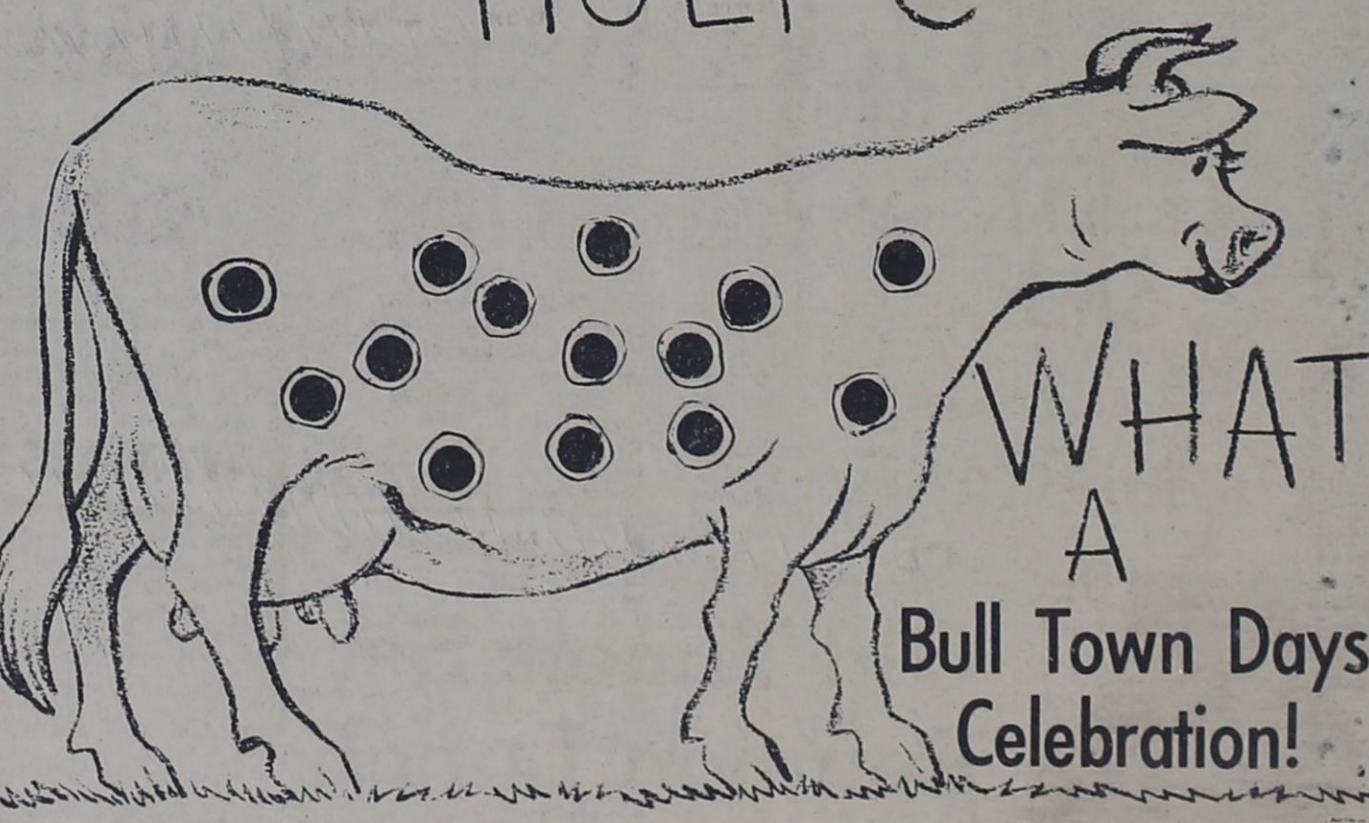
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CONGRATS, CHAMBER CHIEF --- Bob Fillpot, manager of Bovina Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture, right, extends a handshake of congratulations to Neal Mager, newly-elected president of the chamber. In the background is the Bull Town jail, which was set up this week in preparation for the community's annual celebration. The chamber, with Bovina Roping Club, sponsors the celebration. Mager succeeds Charles Smith as head of the chamber.

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Succeeds Smith --
**Neal Mager
Heads BCC&A**

Neal Mager is the new president of Bovina Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture. He is in his first year of a three-year term on the chamber board.

Mager, who is in the hardware business here, was elected at a monthly meeting of the chamber's board of directors last week. He will fill the unexpired term of Charles Smith, who resigned because he was being transferred by his company, Union Compress and Warehouse Co., to Muleshoe. A Bovina resident since November of '67, Mager is associated with Gaines Hardware Co.

Smith was elected to the chamber's top job in March of this year. He has been superintendent of the cotton warehouse facilities here since September of '64. He began his new duties this week of Union's warehouses in Muleshoe.

Smith's replacement will be Stanley Robertson, who has been associated with Union at Muleshoe. He plans to move here next week with his wife and two daughters.

Men, Women --
**Invite Cow Callers
To Enter Contest**

Anyone who feels they have a voice irresistible to cows lurking in Parmer County may, and is encouraged to, enter the Bull Town Days cow calling contest.

Held in the roping arena, the contest will have a men's and women's division.

The vocal histrionics will be the second event of Bull Town Days Thursday, getting underway at 6 p.m.

Winners in each division will be announced at intermission of the variety show, which will be staged the same evening at 8:30 p.m. in the school auditorium.

In charge of this year's bovine bellowing will be James Roach and Charles Smith.

Last year's winners were Frank Ford and Mrs. Ed (Alta) Hutto. Second and third places were captured by Dolph Moten and Pat Quintana, and Mrs. Buck Ellison and Mrs. Bob McMeans, in the men's and women's divisions, respectively.

Mrs. Ellison and Wilbur Charles were the champs in 1967, with Mr. and Mrs. Reagan Looney taking the honors in '66.

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Sept. 19	Happy	here	8 pm
Sept. 26	Lazbuddie	here	8 pm
Oct. 3	Nazareth	here	8 pm
Oct. 10	Frenship	here	8 pm
Oct. 17	Sudan	there	8 pm
Oct. 24	S'lake	there	8 pm
Oct. 30	Kress	here	8 pm
Nov. 7	Farwell	here	7:30
Nov. 15	Vega	there	7:30

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Lions Edge Russell --

New League Leader As Play Nears End

With only two nights of men's slow-pitch softball play remaining, the Bovina league has a new leader.

Russell had been leading the teams until last week, when their winning string ended at six. Within the week, two more losses were dealt to Russell, including one by the second place Lions.

Three four-inning games highlighted other play last week. The 10-run rule shortened the Koelzer-Russell and Compadres-Lions matches. The latter teams won, 11-1, and 13-3, respectively.

The same rule ended the Clements-Spears game, with Clements coming out on top, 10-8. Clements has finished the season with a 7-5 record. The other teams will finish Wednesday night, bringing the 1969 season to a close.

LAST WEEK'S SCORES:

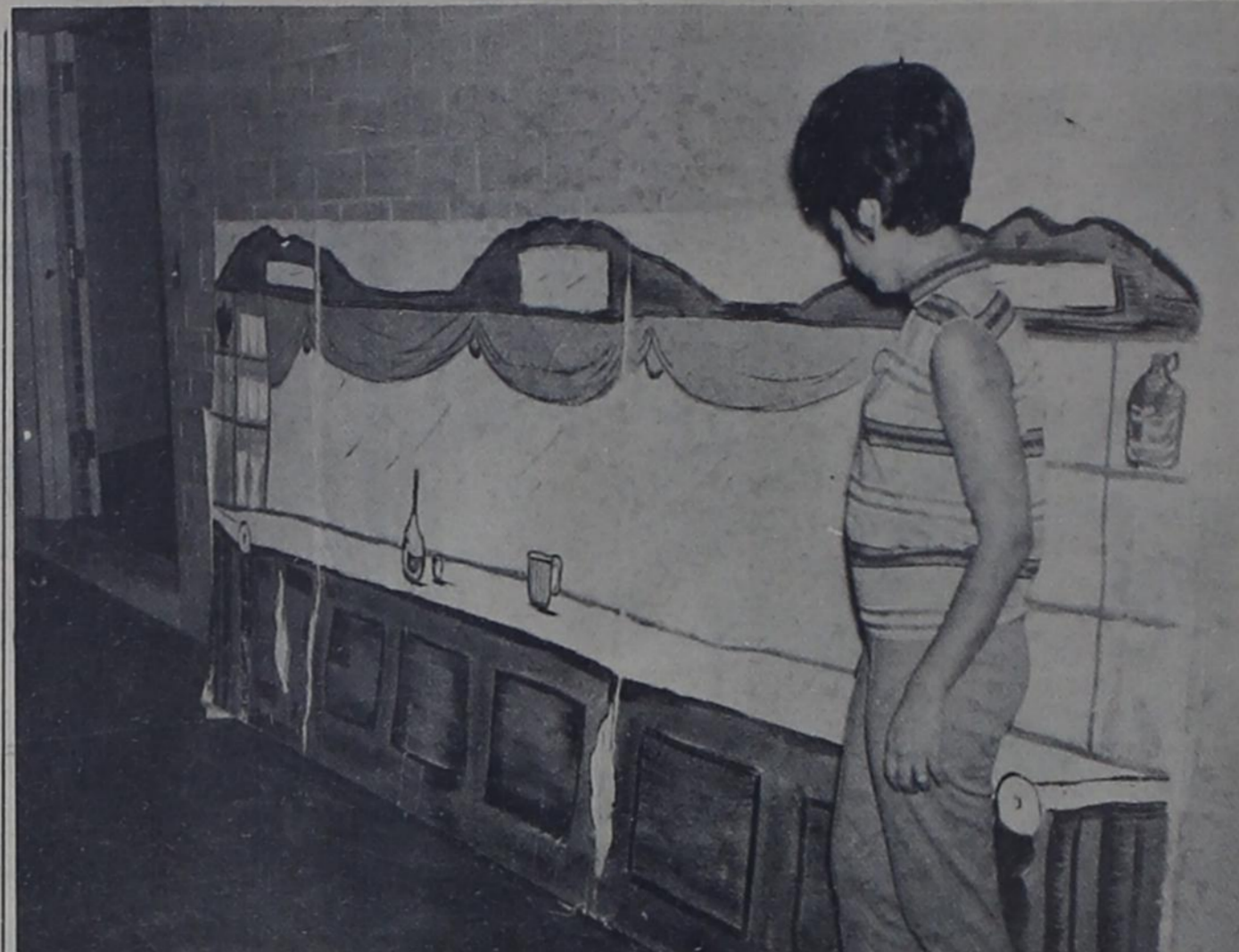
AUG. 5: Koelzer 1, Russell 11 (4 innings); Compadres 3, Lions 13 (4 innings).
AUG. 7: Clements 3, Lions 5; Koelzer 18, Hammonds 16.
AUG. 8: Clements 19, Spears 8, (4 innings); Lions 10, Russell 1.

AUG. 11: Clements 19, Compadres 10; Spears 22, Hammonds, 19.

SCHEDULE:
AUG. 13: Russell vs. Compadres; Lions vs. Hammonds. (END SEASON)

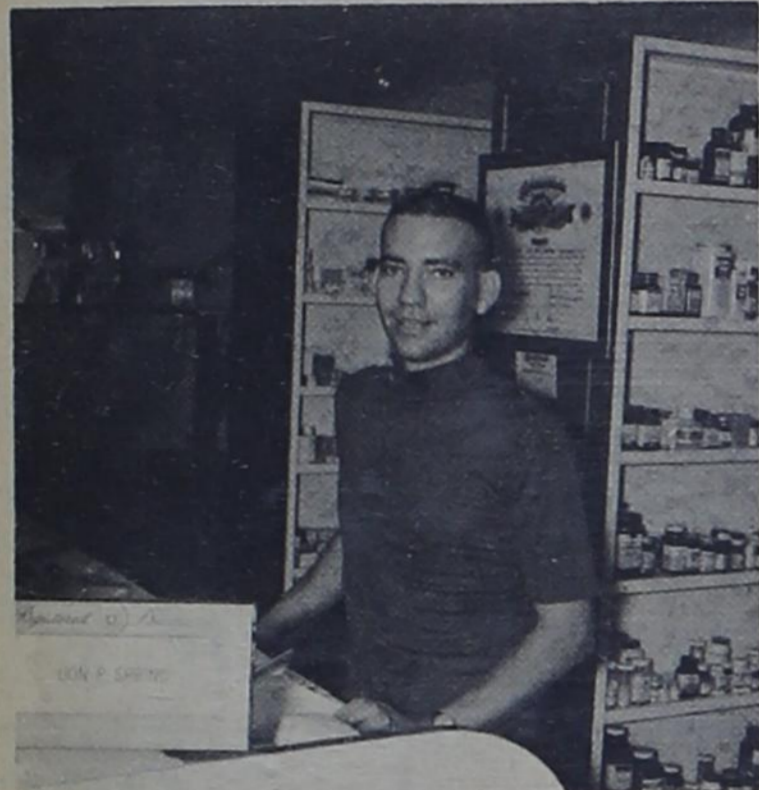
Team	W	L	Pctg.
Lions	8	2	.800
Russells	7	3	.700
Clements	7	5	.583*
Spears	5	6	.555
Hammonds	5	5	.500
Koelzer	4	6	.400
Compadres	1	10	.090

*finished season



BELLY UP TO THE BAR --- The Bull Town Days Variety Show director, Mrs. Celia Barraza, inspects newly-painted scenery, a bar, which will be used in the production. The show will have an Old West theme, and is scheduled to be staged Thursday at 8:30 p.m., in the school auditorium. Admission is \$1 per family to the show, which usually plays to standing room only crowds.

YOU ARE INVITED

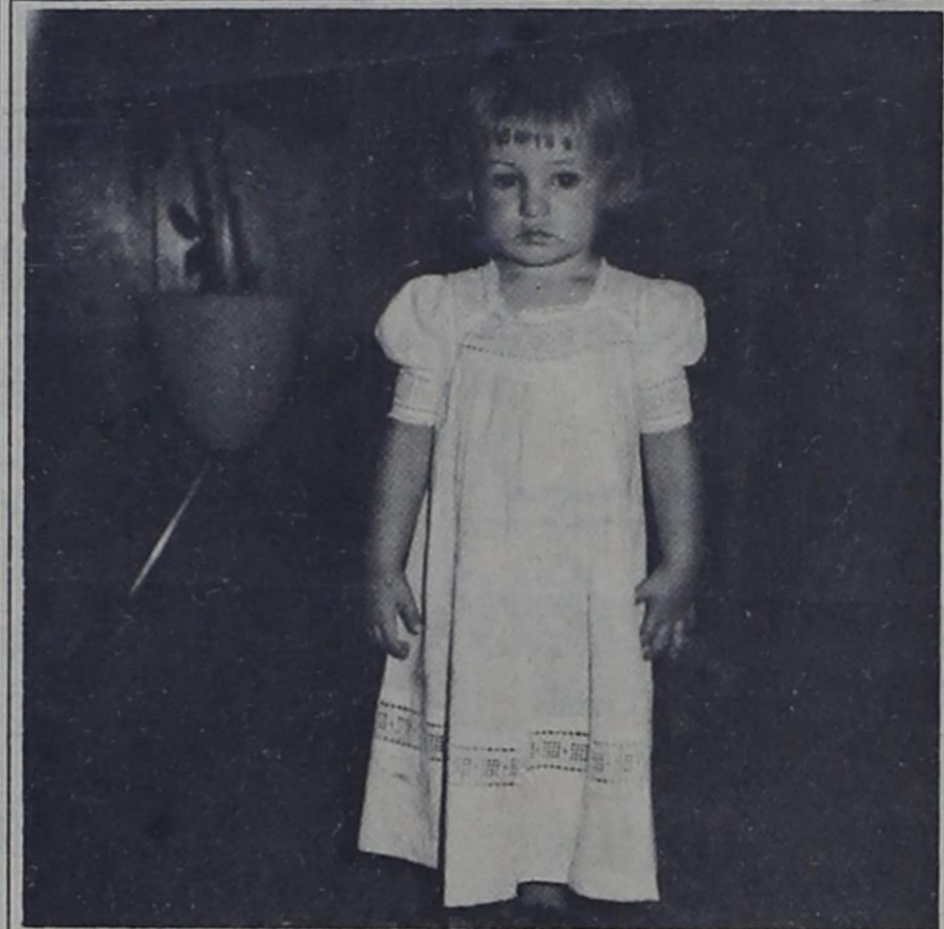


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WALKING DRESS --- Donell Garner, 1 1/2-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Garner of Bovina, is shown in a walking dress made by her great-grandmother. The dress is approximately 65 years old, and was made for Donell's great aunt, Mrs. Lela Mullins of Plainview.

Sunday Accident Injures Three

Three persons were injured, and their small foreign car heavily damaged in an accident four miles west of Bovina Sunday.

One other person escaped injury in the mishap on Highway 60.

Leonard Mondragon, Tony Flores, Pedro Hernandez, and Minnie Blea were traveling from Dimmitt to Clovis, when Mondragon apparently fell asleep at the wheel.

The car went off the road and struck a concrete culvert, extensively damaging the front end.

All passengers in the vehicle except Blea received chest injuries, with Hernandez also suffering a broken leg. He was

taken to a Lubbock hospital, while the other three were admitted to Parmer County Community Hospital, Friona.

At Home In Parmer County

By Janice Miller
County HD Agent

If you are one of the people who has to watch your salt intake, check the city water for the amount of sodium. Sodium is the mineral in water that is commonly restricted. When water softeners are used, the water may be higher in salt (sodium) content.

Water used in cooking may be evaporated, but the salt will remain in the food. Doctors and health departments advise persons with certain heart and kidney disabilities, that require a lower salt intake, to use bottled water. It can be used for both cooking and drinking.

You should consider this when thinking of installing a water softener. You may want to install a by-pass for unsoftened water, but still have soft water for laundry and other purposes.

Carrie Haseloff, Deborah Harding and Cheryl Gohlke participated in the District Dress Revue, August 1 in Amarillo. Carrie brought home a red ribbon, and Cheryl and Deborah got ribbons for participating, as did all of the junior entries. The three did a good job of representing the Parmer County 4-H'ers.

What part of the paper do you read first -- sports, funnies or front page? Health Insurance News says, "Men are old if they read the obituaries before they read the sports pages, or if they check the menu, and then the waitresses." An Iowa doctor giving advice on staying youthful said:

"Stay neat, skinny and cantankerous."

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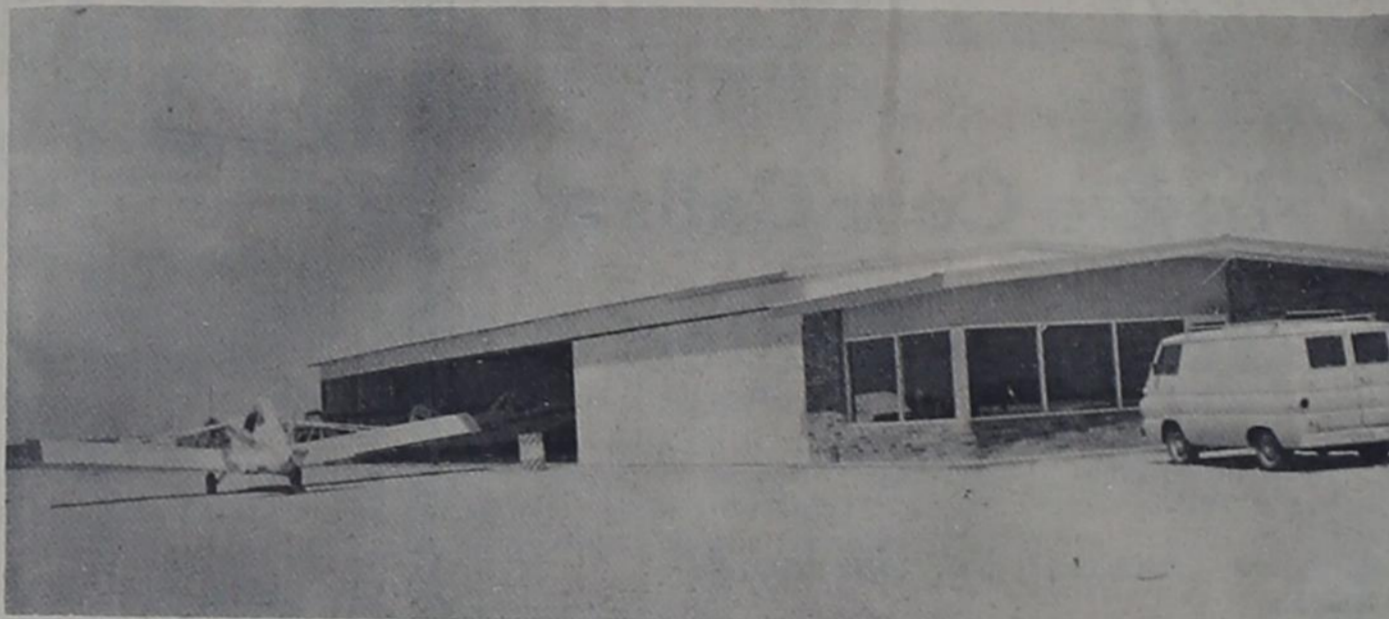
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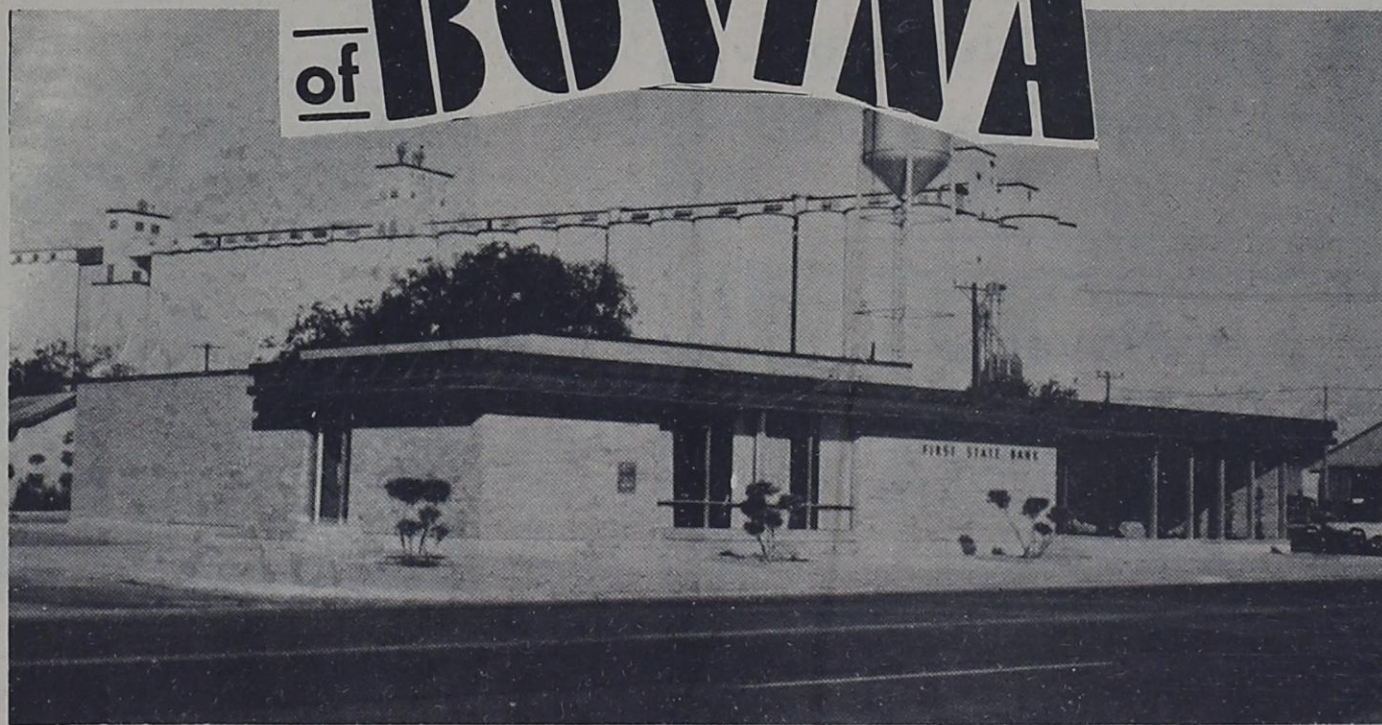
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Practice Starts Monday --

Expect 50 Candidates For Gridiron Team

With some 50 team candidates expected, possibly the largest total in history, the Bovina Mustangs will begin pre-season practice for the '69 campaign Monday morning. Shoes, shorts, etc. will be issued tonight (Wednesday) at 8:30 according to Coach Gilbert Hough, who is beginning his first year at the reins of the Ponies.

The two-a-day practice session will begin Monday and continue until school starts August 26. The sessions will be from 8:30 until 10 a.m. and from 8:30 p.m. until 10 p.m.

Two scrimmages with other schools have been scheduled, Coach Hough announces. The first will be August 28 against Ralls. This session will be conducted on a neutral field--at Abernathy. The last scrimmage will be here September 4 with

Claude furnishing the opposition.

Assisting Hough with the coaching duties will be Truck Lusk, Roger Ezell and Bill Nitcholas, all returnees from last year's staff.

First game of the season will be September 12 against the Amherst Bulldogs. It will be played there. That is one of five non-district games scheduled for the Mustangs. The district schedule also lists five opponents.

The complete schedule is:

BOVINA HIGH SCHOOL MUSTANGS FOOTBALL SCHEDULE, 1969

Sept. 12 Amherst there 8 pm
Sept. 19 Happy here 8 pm
Sept. 26 Lazbuddie here 8 pm
Oct. 3 Nazareth here 8 pm
Oct. 10 Frenship here 8 pm
Oct. 17 Sudan there 8 pm
Oct. 24 S'lake there 8 pm
Oct. 30 Kress here 8 pm
Nov. 7 Farwell here 7:30
Nov. 15 Vega there 7:30

HEAD COACH: Gilbert Hough
ASS'T. COACHES: Roger Ezell, Bill Nitcholas, and Truck Lusk.

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Sunday Afternoon --

Invites Public To Fieldhouse

Open house at Bovina High's remodeled athletic fieldhouse is scheduled for Sunday afternoon from 4 until 5.

The fieldhouse has been remodeled and painted inside dur-

ing the summer and "we believe the facility is greatly improved," Gib Hough, new head football coach and athletic director, said this week in extending the invitation to everyone in the area to attend the open house.

During the open house, Coach Hough will explain his planned football program, including its aims and purposes. He encourages all boys from the seventh through the 12th grades to participate in the program.

"We feel our program will definitely contribute to the growth of a young man," Coach Hough says.

A special effort is being made to have seventh and eighth grade boys and their parents to attend the fieldhouse open house and the program explanation.

"We want to emphasize that everyone, players, their parents and all other people of the community are invited to the Sunday afternoon open house," the coach says.



LURKING --- This statue of a bull similar to the kind brought to this area by the owners of the XIT ranch has been lurking patiently for the past week, awaiting dual dedication ceremonies during Bull Town Days -- Friday and Saturday afternoons. The historical marker was erected during last year's LTD and members of Bovina Roping Club have spent several months preparing an accompanying statue. The marker describes the settling and founding of Bovina. The statue is a white-faced bull, weighing 1,500 pounds, standing six feet tall at the shoulders, and has a 40-inch horn spread. Unveiling ceremonies will be at 3 p.m. Friday and 4 p.m. Saturday.

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August 4-11

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DISMISSALS:
Mrs. Billy Lucas and son, Friona; Nora Ellisio, Texico; Rosie Gomez, Pleasant Hill, N. M.; Bill Morgan, Friona; Christine Vick, Hereford; J. J. McDonald, Friona; Mrs. L. V. Pearson and daughter, Friona; Lee Eblevins, Friona; John Shelton, Friona; Julian Zamora, Dawn; Lois Nelson, Hereford; Jackie Harris, Friona; C. A. Paul, Friona; Mike Martin, Larry Martin, Jack Hart, Eugene Verner, Emma Schueler, Daisy Bradbury, Karen Lane, Joe Rodriguez, Ada Beth Smith, Mrs. Don Scott and daughter; Leonard Mondragon.

Marriage Licenses

Four marriage licenses were issued from the office of Parmer County Clerk Bonnie Warren during the past week.

The permits to wed went to James Richard Dickson and Frieda Faye Floyd, Aug. 7; Raymond Chapa Estraca and Audelia Maria Servantez Rodriguez, Aug. 8; Guadalupe Izaguirre and Mary Helen Pedroza, Aug. 8; and Eustilia Garza Cardoza and Margarita Ledezma Garcia, Aug. 9.

Roping Club Gives Saddle Saturday

Bovina Roping Club will give away a hand-made saddle following the club-sponsored Bull Town Days Quarter Horse Show Saturday.

Tickets may be bought from any club member and will be sold on Main Street Friday afternoon. They are \$1 each.

The saddle features a padded seat and rough-out leather, and has been on display throughout the summer in First State Bank of Bovina.

The regular monthly meeting of the Bovina Roping Club will be held Monday, August 18, at Bovina Restaurant. No cards will be sent to remind members, due to all the activities of Bull Town Days.

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Friday, 4 p.m. --

Entries Welcome In BTD Parade

Anyone may enter, and "all entries are welcome," in the Bull Town Days parade, announces assistant parade marshal Ronald Mitchell. The parade marshal will be James Roach.

The parade will begin at 4 p.m. Friday afternoon, from the east end of Main Street. It will proceed west to Second Street, south one block, then return west to Third Street. The route continues, south on Third Street to First State Bank, then on to Highway 86.

The parade will then move west to Sixth Street, north on Sixth, and end at the Fire Station.

This route is similar to the one in 1967. Last year's march originated from and returned to the west end of Main.

Awards will be presented to winners in each of three divisions. Last year's winners

Barbeque --

(Continued from Page 1)

Gateway Produce will provide iced, sliced, home-grown cantaloupes, and the Roping Club will sell soft drinks to wash it all down.

Assisting with the barbeque will be Don Murphy, Ralph Roming, Harold Hawkins, Lewis McDaniel, Dan Koelzer, Curtis Monk, Henry Spicer, Pat Kunselman, Amos Steelman, Eddie Gayle Steelman, and Billy Smith.

Keith Garner and Wendell Garner will be in charge of slicing the meat as it is served. Wilbur Charles will keep an eye on the boiling pinto beans.

were in the float division, Comite de 16th September, first; Bovina Woman's Study Club, second; and the Farwell Country Club, third.

In the Senior Riding Club division, first place went to the Cochran County Sheriff's Posse; second, the Farwell Riding Club; and third, the Bovina Roping Club.

Winners in the Junior Riding Club division were Farmer County 4-H Club, first; and Bovina Roping Club, second.

Entrants are asked to assemble at the starting point at 3:30 Friday afternoon.

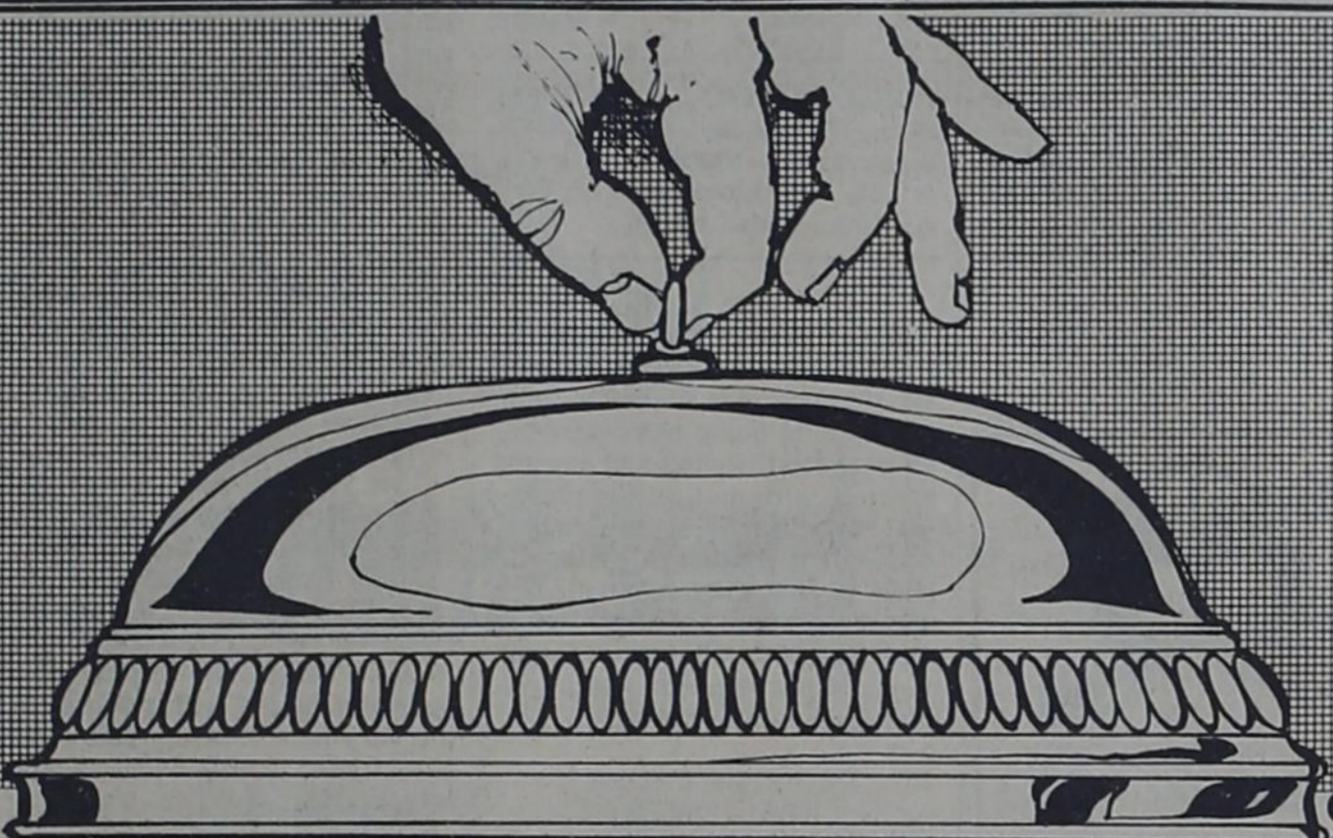
He will have housewives of the community do the cooking.

The Young Farmers were in charge of hauling mesquite wood to Bovina for the massive cook-out. The wood was acquired from the JA ranch near Clarendon.

In charge of delivering the wood were Ralph Roming, Dickie Clayton, James Clayton, Tom Ware, James Calaway, and Jerry McClaren.



BULL TOWN DAYS PREPARATION --- Members of Bovina Volunteer Fire Department swept and washed Main Street this week in preparation for the free downtown barbeque Friday afternoon. Several thousand persons are expected to eat beef, home-grown cantaloupes, and pinto beans at the 6 p.m. meal, which is one of the highlights of Bull Town Days.

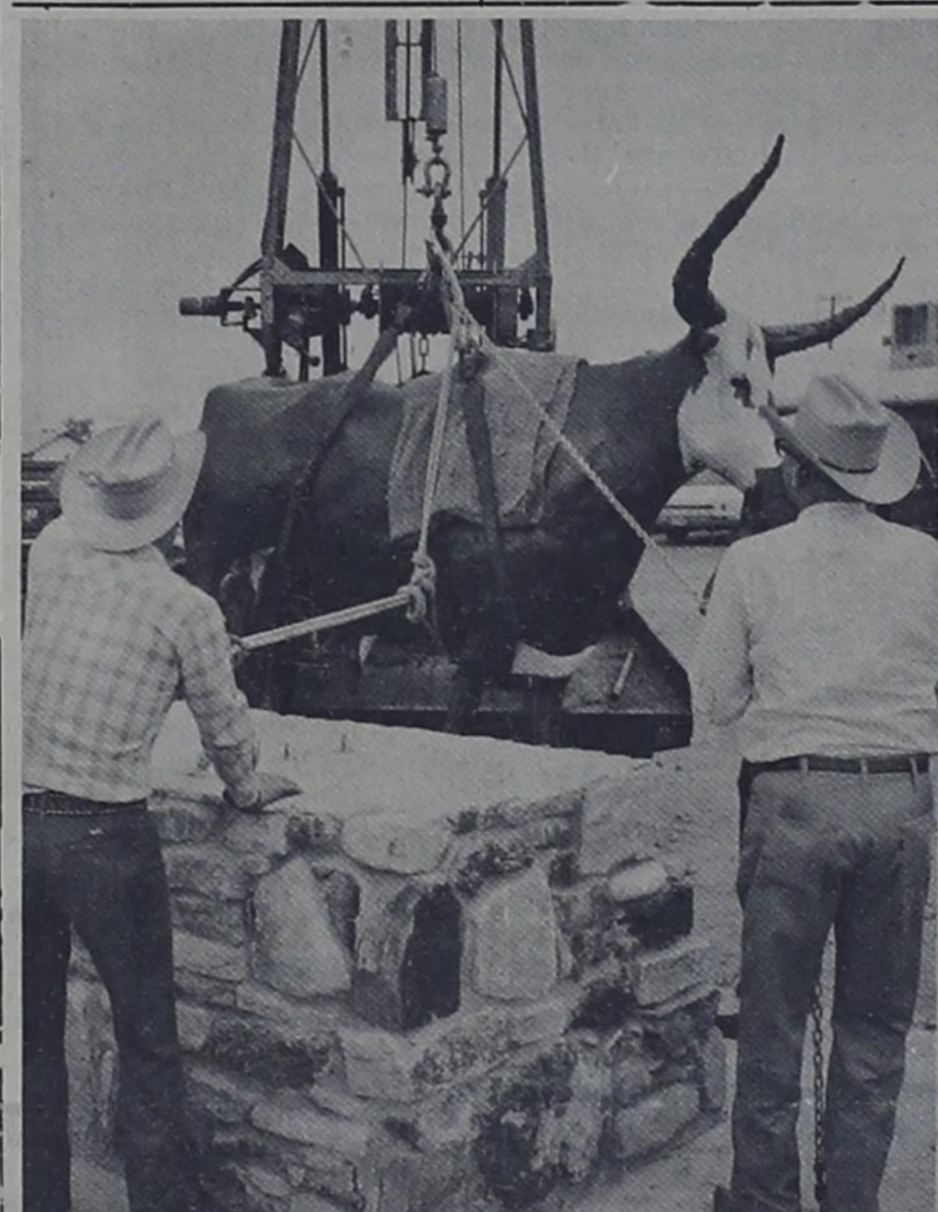


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BULL MOUNTING --- Robert Calaway (left) and Rouel Barron assist in the mounting of the bull statue that will be dedicated Friday and Saturday afternoons. The statue was placed on the base last week in preparations for Bull Town Days by members of Bovina Roping Club, who were responsible for acquiring the statue. A hydraulic A-frame truck, operated by Kenny Birkelbach and Jack Green of Birkelbach Machine and Pump, was used to hoist the 1,500 bull onto the base.

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Instrument report ending August 9, 1969 in County Clerk Office Bonnie Warren, County Clerk

WD, Charles A. White, et al, Laura Elizabeth White, Lot 12, Blk. 65, Friona

Daughter Born To L. Richards

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Richards of Hereford announce the birth of a daughter, Sharla Dawn.

She was born Monday, August 11, at 5:30 a.m. in Hereford.

The baby weighed seven pounds, 14 ounces.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Norvell Strawn and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Richards all of Bovina.

DT, Lawrence J. Morgan, Security Fed. Sav. & Loan, Lot 55, Blk. 2, Western Friona

DT, Manuel Lopez, First State Bank, Lot 6, E 20' Lot 7, Blk. 5, OT Bovina

DT, Ernest Cain, First Fed. Sav. & Loan, Lots 27, 28, 29, Blk. 25 OT Farwell

DT, M. C. Mason, Federal Land Bank, N 105.6 ac, Sect. 42 D & K

WD, Eddie Ray Hutto, Vernon C. Willard, N/2 of Lot 18, & all Lots 19, 20, Blk. 65 Bovina

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that Parmer County will accept bids for the construction of a bridge across Frio Draw to be located approximately fourteen miles west of Friona on farm to market road 1731 and one-half mile south on Frio Draw, with the following specifications: 55 feet long, 24 feet wide, with four feet of water clearance under the bridge with the underside to be floored also with 16 feet of wing walls at each end, to be built of steel reinforced concrete. More complete specifications may be obtained from Charley Jefferson, commissioner, 307 8th St., Bovina, Tex.

Bids will be received at the office of the County Judge in the Court House until 1:30 p.m. August 25, 1969. Dated this 6th day of August, 1969.

Parmer County reserves the right to reject any or all bids, s/Charley Jefferson, Parmer County Precinct 2 Commissioner 6-3tc

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You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before ten o'clock

A.M. of the First Monday after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being Monday the 22nd day of September, A.D. 1969, at or before ten o'clock A.M. before the Honorable District Court of Parmer County, Texas, at the Court House of said County in Farwell, Texas.

Said Plaintiff's Second Amended Original Petition was filed in said court on the 4th day of August, A.D. 1969, in this cause, numbered 2914 on the docket of said court, and styled, MYRTLE V. MAROT, ET AL, Plaintiffs, vs McDonald & Sons Golf Company, ET AL, Defendants.

The names of the parties to the cause are as follows: Betty Jo Works is substituted Plaintiff, as sole and surviving heir of Myrtle V. Marot, Deceased, is Plaintiff, and Gulf Oil Corporation, Guild Products, Inc., McDonald & Sons Golf Company, a corporation, whose place of business, officers and stockholders are unknown, and if a defunct corporation then the owners of its assets and stockholders, all of which are unknown, and McDonald & Son, not incorporated, the owners of which are unknown, and LaBelle Silver Company, Inc., a corporation, whose officers and stockholders are unknown, and if a defunct corporation then the stockholders and owners of its assets, all of whom are unknown, Max M. Goldhaber, assignee of LaBelle Silver Company, Inc. for benefit of its creditors, and all unknown persons, owners or claimants in and to said land, and the unknown heirs, assigns, and legal representatives of all unknown owners and persons claiming any interest in and to the hereinafter described land, are Defendants.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit:

Plaintiff sues Defendants for title to and possession of the following described land situated in Parmer County, Texas, to-wit:

All of Lot 4, Block 70, of the Original Town of Bovina, Parmer County, Texas, as shown by plat of record in the Deed Records of Parmer County, Texas, SAVE & EXCEPT that portion of said lot heretofore conveyed to the State of Texas for highway purposes as reflected by the Deed Records of Parmer County, Texas, in the nature of a trespass-to-try-title suit, alleging and claiming title to the same by

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and through herself and her predecessors in title from the sovereignty of the soil, and further, in the alternative, alleging and pleading the 5-year and the 10-year statutes of limitations of the State of Texas as the same apply to land titles, and further seeking to remove clouds from her title to the above described land as cast and reflected by abstracts of judgment on record in the office of the County Clerk of Parmer County, Texas, filed in favor of the Defendants herein named, all as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

The officer executing this process shall promptly execute the same according to law, and make due return as the law directs. Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Farwell, Texas, this 6th day of August, A.D. 1969. ATTEST: Dorothy Quickel, Clerk, District Court, Parmer County, Texas. 7-4tc

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Advertisement for Cyanamid Farm Supply featuring a large illustration of a handgun and a photograph of a farm supply store. Text includes: 'More Fun Than An Old-Timey Shoot 'Em Up! Bovina's Bull Town Days - 1969', 'WELCOME To Another Great Celebration from everyone at CYANAMID Farm Supply', 'Highway 86 West - Bovina Roy Allen, Manager Phone 238-6901'. Photos of Roy Allen, Wayne Peterson, George Baca, and Dorothy Looney are shown at the bottom.

During Celebration --

Banquet Features Fashions; Visiting

An expanded Bull Town Days ex-students banquet is planned for Saturday night in Bovina Schools cafeteria.

Last year the banquet was changed from during the Christmas holidays to coincide with the Bull Town celebration, in hopes that more people would be able to attend.

This year the gathering will include a "program and lots of visiting," said Mrs. Buck Ellison. She and her husband are serving as presidents of the association.

"A lot of real old-timers will be coming this year," added Mrs. Ellison. "We've gotten answers (to invitations) from some old-timers from 1927 and '28, and lots of old teachers are coming."

A chicken dinner, catered by Richards of Lubbock, is tentatively planned, said Mrs. Ellison. "We're expecting around 125." A total of 104 attended last year.

After the meal, there will be a short business meeting, including election of officers for the coming year, and voting on adoption of by-laws.

Out-going officers for the association are presidents, Mr. and Mrs. Buck Ellison; vice-presidents, Mr. and Mrs. Don Spring; secretary-treasurers, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Smith; and food and decorations chairmen, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Clayton.

Secretary-treasurer Suzie Smith urges everyone to be present. "We want everyone to come and vote, if they want

any say on these by-laws," she commented.

Proposed by-laws to be voted on are as follows:

1. Officers: a.) Officers shall be president, vice-president and food chairmen, secretary-treasurer, decorations chairmen, entertainment chairmen, and nominating committee, b.) Officers shall serve two years, with the office of president and decorations chairmen elected one year; vice-president and secretary-treasurer the following, c.) the purpose of b is to stagger officers, and allow two experienced officers to serve at all times, d.) Nominating committee will consist of retiring officers.

C. R. Brandon's Mother Dies

Services were held Tuesday in Roaring Springs for Mrs. Claude R. Brandon, Sr. Survivors include C. R. Brandon, Jr. of Hereford, formerly of Bovina.

Services for Mrs. Brandon, 69, were in the Roaring Springs First Baptist Church, with burial in the Roaring Springs Cemetery.

A long time resident of Motley County, Mrs. Brandon died Sunday of an apparent heart attack.

2. Finances: a.) The cost of admission to the yearly banquet will be the price of the meal plus 50 cents, b.) All bills shall be paid by check.

3. Honors: a.) Graduates shall be honored in sequences of 10 years, b.) An award will be given to the graduate traveling the farthest distance to attend the banquet, c.) An award will be given to the oldest graduate present.

"We want a good turn-out to come and vote," added Mrs. Smith.

Graduates from the classes of 1969, '59, '49, '39, '29, and '19, will be honored at the banquet.

A program after the business meeting will feature a style show and singing.

Mrs. Betty Hawkins will lead group singing, with the Williams Sisters singing a duet, and Radford Venable soloing.

The style show will be a display of all the latest fashions for the well-dressed Bovina coed of the 1920's. It will include basketball uniforms from the 1926 and '27 seasons.

Modeling will be Ella Bradshaw, Joe Looney, Mable Ellison, Marguerite Venable, Jan Gamble of Clovis, and possibly others.

Decorations will consist of antiques. "We want to emphasize the visiting," said Mrs. Ellison. "In the past, we've had to hurry and people have complained about not having time to really visit."

Homer McDonald was the earliest attendant of Bovina Schools to return for the banquet last year. He is a 1907-ex-student.

The ex coming the greatest distance was Mrs. Lavelle (Pounds) Crocker, who journeyed from Mississippi to attend the festivities.

Three Prizes In Fiddling Contest

Old time fiddling may be a lost art, but it will be revived in grand style as part of the Bull Town Days celebration. Cash prizes of \$50, \$35, and \$15 will go to the first, second,

and third place winners in the Saturday afternoon contest. Scheduled for 5 p.m., downtown Bovina, the contest is open to all interested fiddlers.

Co-chairmen of the event are Al Kerby and Pearl Singletery. A band will provide music prior to the competition, Kerby announces.

Last year's winners were first, W. F. Whately of Lake Arthur, N.M.; second, Denzil Boyter of Lubbock; and third, Dale Hendrix, of Spearman.

The '67 winners included Bartow Riley of Olton, first; Hendrix, second; and Kerby, third.

Whisker Judging Thursday

Beard growers of the Bovina area will get a chance to show-off their whiskers in the Bull Town Days beard growing contest, which will be judged Thursday evening at 6:30 p.m. in the roping arena.

Men of the community who have neglected to purchase a shave permit are liable to find themselves in the Bull Town jail unless they sport enough stubble to qualify for the contest or purchase the \$2 shave permit.

Judges for the contest will be from out of town.

Last year's winners were Pat Quintana, first; Tom Sloan, of Williamsburg, N.M., second; and Keith Scott, of Texico, third.

Larry Scott was the 1967 champion with C. E. Trimble and James Williams of Plainview coming in second and third.

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Guadalupe Plan Dinner

The Guadalupe Society of St. Ann's Catholic Church held their monthly meeting last Sunday in the Parish Hall.

Six members and Father Gerald Dunford were present. The members decided to close the parish clothing room and began making plans for the annual Mexican Dinner.

The annual meal was scheduled for Sept. 14, with more details to be announced later.

Bread and wine at the Sept. 7 mass will be offered by Mrs. Ben Rejino and family, with the rectory under the supervision of Mrs. Gil DeLeon and Mrs. Pete DeLeon.

The meeting adjourned with a prayer by Father Dunford.

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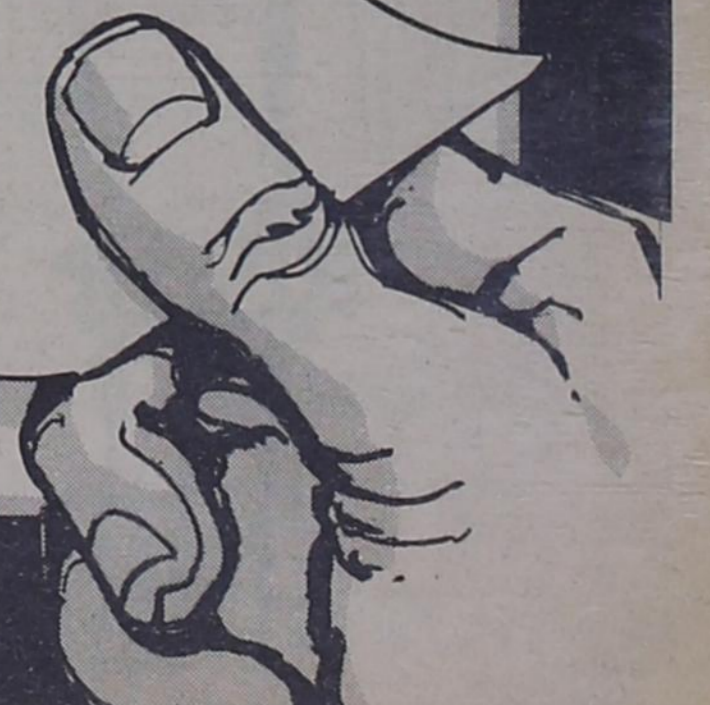


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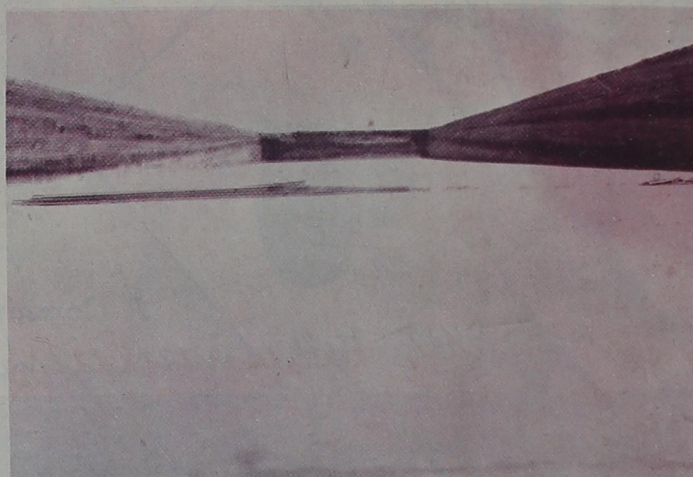
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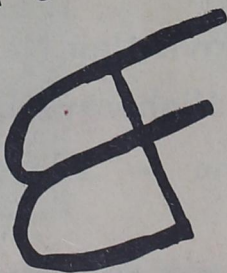
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Parmerton - Once Center Of Controversy

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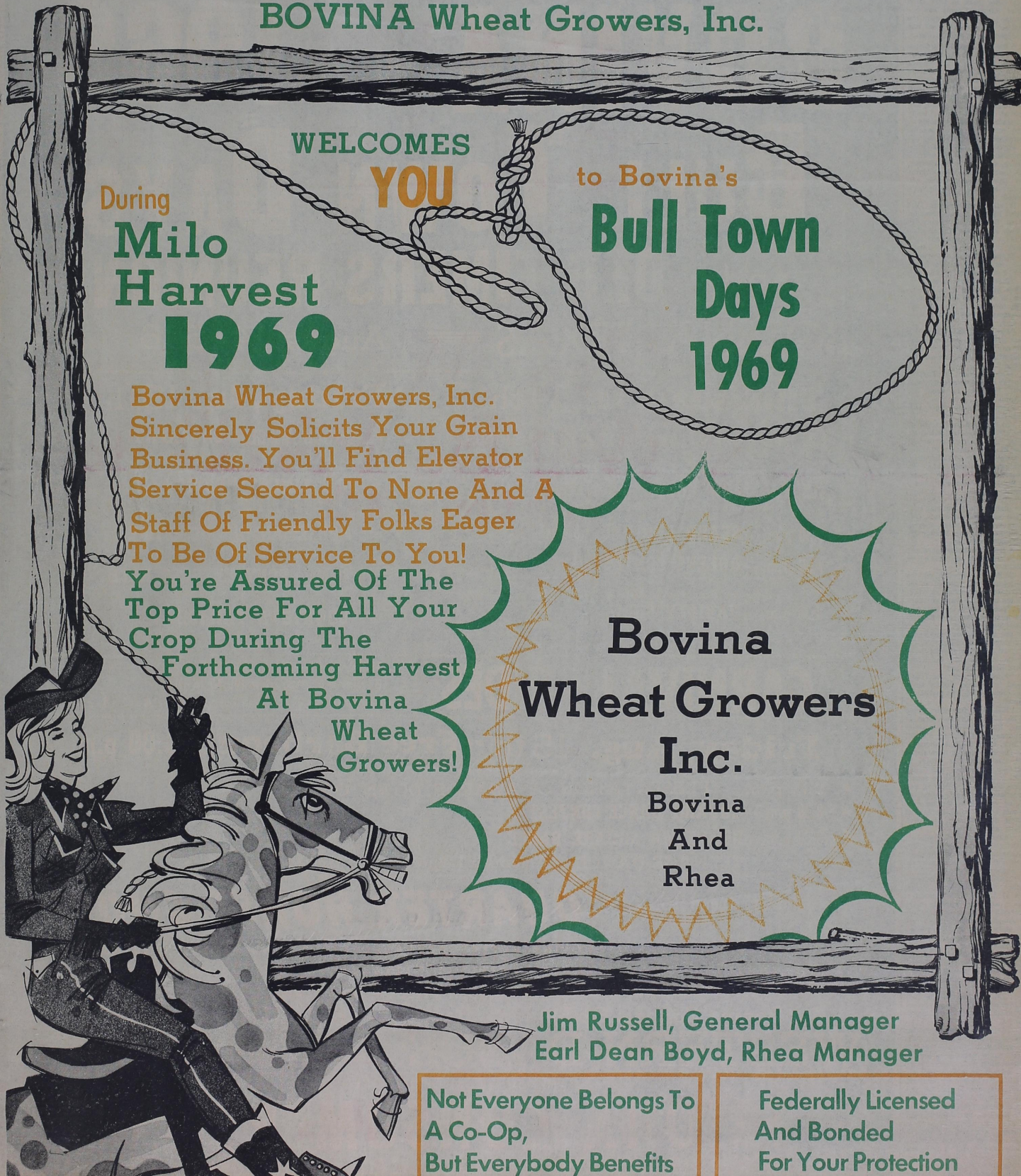
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Back In 1907 --

Santa Fe's High Spot Court Case Subject

By Pat Jacobs

Parmerton.

Most folks think of a bald knoll of rich farmland beside a grain elevator when that name is mentioned--the highest spot, by altitude, on the Santa Fe railroad in West Texas.

But Parmerton was the first county seat in Parmerton County and was the center of controversy and court cases for more than a decade. Its name probably caused more furor than any other back in 1907, soon after Parmerton County was organized, until 1916, when the subject of a county seat was dropped for at least 10 years.

A search of records in County Clerk Bonnie Warren's office at Farwell, a long day of reading the 1907-'08 files of the Hereford Brand, and visits with Attorney Sam Aldridge--born in 1907 at Bovina; pioneer Frank Hastings, Leroy Berggren, who moved here in 1907; County Treasurer Mabel Reynolds--and others -- have revealed some interesting facts.

Parmerton has been surrounded by legend for over 60 years, some fact--some fiction. As nearly as can be determined from scant records, and memories, the following happened:

It all began early in 1907 when Parmerton County broke off from Deaf Smith County, to which it had been aligned since this area was organized as a part of the state of Texas.

Earliest records of Parmerton were found in the Hereford Brand, dated Feb. 22, 1907.

"District Court convened this week with Judge J. N. Browning of Amarillo on the bench. The fore part of the week was consumed mostly in impaneling a jury.

"Parmerton County injunction suit settled, the syndicate people paying the cost. (Further information on this suit was not found).

"The election in Parmerton County to determine county seat will be held in about six months."

Parmerton County didn't wait that long.

The Hereford Brand reported the election was held on May 10, 1907 with Parmerton receiving 21 votes; Bovina 19 votes; Farwell 11 or 17 (difficult to distinguish); and Frio, six votes.

W. L. Townsen was elected county judge; J. F. McKay, county clerk (later designated as district clerk, but may have been both); Norman Wilson, treasurer; E. T. Stevens, sheriff. Oldtimers say Sam Bratton was the county attorney.

A list of commissioners was also reported, but could not be distinguished.

Neither the election, nor the following, was entered in the earliest Commissioners Court Notes on file in Parmerton County. Speculation is that such may be mixed in the recordings of Deaf Smith County.

The election was contested--both that for the county seat and for the county and district clerk.

On July 5, 1907, the Hereford Brand reported:

"First District Court was held in Parmerton County since its organization. The docket was small.

"Hon. J. N. Browning, Judge 47th Judicial District, presiding, Henry S. Bishop, district attorney, J. F. McKay, district clerk, E. T. Stevens, sheriff."

The case of Tom Hogland et al, contestants, vs. Henry S. Bishop, contestee, was Cause No. 1 and contested the county seat election. The hearing was continued until next session, but later reports of the outcome could not be found. Because of later developments, it apparently was affirmed.

Cause No. 2, E. L. Swenson, contestant, vs. J. F. McKay, contestee, questioned the election of clerks. The case was dismissed.

Cause No. 3, in that first district court, was M. B. Tisdell et al vs. R. M. Whitehead et al, suit for specific performance of land contract. Was continued by operation of law, completed two days labor without being able to find sufficient evidence upon which to base an indictment. This is certainly a splendid record and shows people of Parmerton County have taken a stand on the side of law and order.

"This is one of the first counties of the state to be organized without a single indictment.

"Ample accommodations had been provided by ladies of Parmerton and this new town has her name well up as a royal entertainer."

A court house was built, along with a few houses for the county officials, and a one-cell jail. A windmill supplied water for the sparse residency. Leading to the town was a wagon road, which ran alongside south of Santa Fe tracks, according to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hastings. The town itself was located about where Highway 60 now runs, or a little north.

Problems began, Hastings recalls.

The railroad did not recognize Parmerton. The passenger train would not stop when flagged to allow county officials to come to Bovina for supplies. When they boarded the train at Bovina, they were not let off at Parmerton.

Legend says that one night, the records were "stolen" from the Parmerton court house and taken to Farwell.

There was, however, an election. It is recorded in Vol. 1, Commissioners Court Notes, Parmerton County.

Because of the legend, and definition of the word "stolen", this area of Parmerton history is more shrouded with mystery than any other.

Page 33, Commissioners Court Notes, Vol. 1, dated Nov. 4, 1907, states, "An election

was called for said Parmerton County--an election for the location of a county seat for said Parmerton County."

The next entry on Dec. 23, 1907, did not mention the election at all.

Feb. 10, 1907, page 29, Commissioners Court Notes, stated, "It is ordered by the court that the county clerk be authorized to issue warrant to all

election officers for the election of the incorporation of the town of Farwell (and election of mayor and aldermen) and the election on the county seat on Dec. 10, 1907 at \$2 per day and \$2 to the officer making return to the clerk of the county court."

It was not until May 6, 1907, page 49, Commissioners Court Notes, that a report on the five-month old election was made.

"On this day came on to be considered the returns of an election held in various voting precincts of Parmerton County on the 10th day of December, 1907, for purpose of locating a county seat of Parmerton County."

Voting was reported by precincts. Parmerton received a total of 26 votes, Farwell 152, Frio 1. Farwell was declared the county seat, receiving two-

thirds of the vote, the amount necessary to move a county seat.

Some say it is noteworthy that Bovina was the booming town of the county and could cough up only few more than 20 votes in the precinct--when Farwell precinct, then only a struggling little town, counted 67. At any rate, the courthouse was ordered moved to the upper

story of Hamlin Brick (building) in Farwell.

The exact date the records were "supposed" to have been moved is not known. One old-timer says they possibly were taken out during the night before an injunction could prevent or halt the move.

The record of marriage li-

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Thursday, Aug. 14th

- ★ 1:00 p.m. -- OPEN JACK-POT CALF ROPING and Boys Calf Riding Contest
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- ★ 6:00 p.m. --- COW CALLING CONTEST
Men's and Women's Divisions
- ★ 6:30 p.m. --- BEARD GROWING Contest
- ★ 7:00 p.m. --- QUEENS CONTEST
- ★ 8:30 p.m. --- VARIETY SHOW
(Contest Winners to Be Announced at Show)
Admission: \$1.00 per Family

Friday, Aug. 15th

- ★ CHUCK WAGON BREAKFAST
7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. -- Bovina Gin
- ★ OLD TIMERS' REUNION
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon -- Downtown Bovina
- ★ HORSEMANSHIP ACTIVITIES
10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. -- At Roping Arena
- ★ 8-Man PONY EXPRESS RACE
Entries Welcome
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- ★ 9:00 p.m. --- DOWNTOWN SQUARE DANCE
TEENAGE DANCE - American Legion Hall 9 p.m. to Midnight

Saturday, August 16th

9th ANNUAL BOVINA ROPING CLUB

QUARTER HORSE SHOW

BOVINA ROPING ARENA JUDGING BEGINS 10:00 A.M.

- 4:00 p.m. - Dedication of Bovina Bull Statue on Highway 60 in Bovina
- 5:00 p.m. --- FIDDLERS CONTEST --- 3 Cash Prizes - \$50 - \$35 - \$15

Bovina Schools Ex-Students Banquet - School Cafeteria 7 p.m.

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In This Area --

Aerial Spraying Relatively New Business

By Carolyn Bobo

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He dives towards a field of sugar beets, cotton, or milo, apparently bent on total self-destruction. Just as you're ready to close your eyes and pray, he pulls up, levels off, and skims the field, barely five feet above ground, dusting it with insecticide or fungicide to give the High Plains farmer a higher crop yield.

Those daring young men in their flying machines may cause Bovina residents to wake up a little earlier, but the farmers who require their services don't object to the loss of a few winks.

Aerial crop spraying, a relatively new business in this area, has become an essential factor in successful farming. Several agricultural schools have added flying to their curriculum in an effort to fill the growing need for skilled crop spray plane pilots.

Pilots are readily available, but it is often difficult to find one with experience in agricultural flying. "They've either been flying jets, or have very little experience when they come to us," said Mrs. Chuck Stallings, wife of the owner of Chuck's Aerial Spraying Service. "They've been to school, flown a few hours, but don't realize how little they know."

Chuck Stallings left the Marine Corps intent on becoming a crop duster. He and his brother-

in-laws bought a J-3, and he began learning to fly.

"I learned for the pleasure of flying," added Dick Thompson, head pilot for Agri-Sprayers. In addition to dusting, Thompson is a charter pilot and instructor. "Flying is just like anything else," he explained. "As long as you've had the proper training, it's safe."

Brooks Davis of American Dusting, echoed Stallings and Thompson. "It's like anything else--you know what you're doing and you get used to the danger." Davis said that crop spraying wasn't in mind when he learned to fly, but he soon recognized the opportunities in the field.

Today, schools provide instruction in the flying skills and techniques necessary to earn a commercial pilot's license. A trained flyer can easily pass the test on his first try. In the past, however, the potential pilot was left to his own devices to learn to guide the "bird."

Crop dusting came of age at the close of World War II, when surplus planes enabled the business to literally "get off the ground." Dusting was first used to aid the rice crop in the Mississippi delta area, and land development in the last 10 years in the High Plains has made it a booming business here. More acres under cultivation mean more bugs, and more fields for the dusters to swoop down on.

Natives of Muleshoe, the Stallings' moved to Bovina last year after spraying in this area for the past 10.

"My husband has always

farmed, and he's kept up with the ag business and needs," commented Mrs. Stallings. "He started by widening a turn row, and using it as a runway."

"It's hard for him to run the business and fly, too, but he enjoys flying. He's doing what he wants to do," she continued. "We've had some experiences together." When something goes wrong, Stallings quietly fixes it. "I usually don't fine out about mechanical problems until he's telling someone else," Mrs. Stallings commented.

Mrs. Thompson also voiced confidence in her aerial crop spraying husband. "I think he knows what he's doing," she said. "I'd rather see him in a plane than on a tractor. We've been around airplanes all our lives. I figure our sons will end up flying, too."

The Thompsons came to Bovina last year from Spearman where Thompson was also crop dusting. Agri-Sprayers hired him as head pilot. He, too, thinks crop dusting has a bright future. "I remember when people would spread bran and arsenic in pastures to kill grasshoppers," he stated. Thompson agrees that more cultivation in the last several years has been the key to the growth of dusting.

Pilot Brooks Davis left Pecan Gap, in northeast Texas, to take over the local unit of American Dusting. Davis has also been a professional rodeo cowboy, but doesn't think bull riding led to flying, or vice-versa.

"He's modest about it, but he was a pretty good bull rider," Mrs. Davis divulged. "You can't

win them all, of course, but he was a pretty consistent winner." Davis competed in many of the larger rodeos, including the Dallas, Chicago, Ft. Worth, and San Antonio shows. "He won a couple of belt buckles, some trophies, and money," Mrs. Davis continued. "He enjoyed average success, and it was a living."

Davis added that he felt he

was "a little old" for bull riding. "An airplane is a little more dependable," his wife added. "I don't have time to get worried (when he's flying), and he's proven himself capable, so I feel at ease."

Ironically, Mrs. Davis doesn't like to fly. "I don't even like to ride in a ferris wheel -- I don't want my feet off the ground!" she explained.

Both Thompson and Stallings fly Piper 260 planes. They weigh approximately 3,800 pounds, loaded with chemical, and have a wing span of about 36 feet. Special squared wings for the dusters are designed and fitted in Plainview. Next year, however, the Piper company plans to manufacture a more squared wing for the series, in-

stead of the current rounded style.

Davis uses a Stearman 450, a bi-plane. It is somewhat larger than the Pipers, with a wing span of around 45 feet, and a weight of 7,000-7,500 pounds. It has more horsepower, but not necessarily more speed than the Pipers, and can carry a bigger load. It is, however, harder to pilot and, said Davis, "You

need about 2,000 hours of experience before you get in a Stearman."

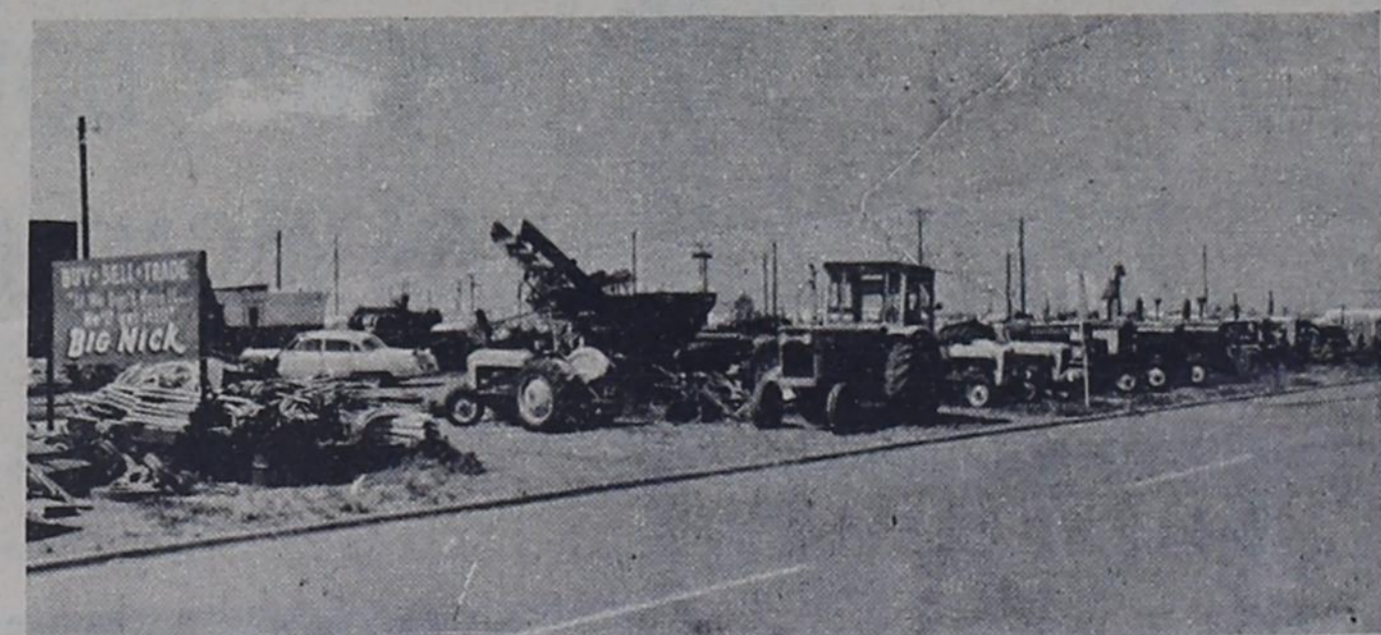
The cockpit of crop spraying planes is large enough for only the pilot. Each state has laws governing this brand of flying, but most have some type of regulation requiring a pilot to be bonded and insured.

Pilots are not required to (Continued on Page 4)

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CHUCK'S AERIAL SPRAYERS -- Pilots Chuck Stallings, left, Lee Rollins, center, and Dennis Link are shown gathering around a Piper 260, the type plane used by Chuck's Aerial Spraying and Agri-Sprayers. Stallings learned to fly in order to enter the crop dusting business, and has been spraying in this area for the past 10 years.

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Pilots Explain Duty

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 wear crash helmets in Texas, but they are an additional safety factor for crop dusters. Mrs. Thompson is particularly grateful for her husband's use of a helmet on one occasion: "He was taxiing along the runway, and a gust of wind caught the wing. The plane flipped over, and the top caved in -- they had to dig him out."

The hazards of the airways consist mainly of the whims of the wind. An air pocket, providing no lift, causes steering problems. Whirlwinds without dust are invisible, and will spin a plane around. Power lines are always a danger, because they are hard to see against the horizon and terrain. If a pilot hits a high-line dead center, it will probably only scar the plane, but catching a line in a in 7 or on the tail will cause loss of control. "You can't have anything else on your mind when you're flying," attested Mrs. Stallings. "If you keep your mind on what you're doing, you can usually avoid accidents," added Davis.

The season for crop dusting may start as early as February, and "pretty well ends by October 15," said Thompson. "Once in a while, we'll spray in February, then some wheat in March. Then milo, sugar beets, vegetables, and some cotton defoliating."

If a plane is wrecked, it can be rebuilt as long as the motor is intact. Every plane has a number, and can be completely reconstructed from this serial designation. During the winter, pilots spend their "flying time" ground-bound, working on planes and repairing spray equipment.

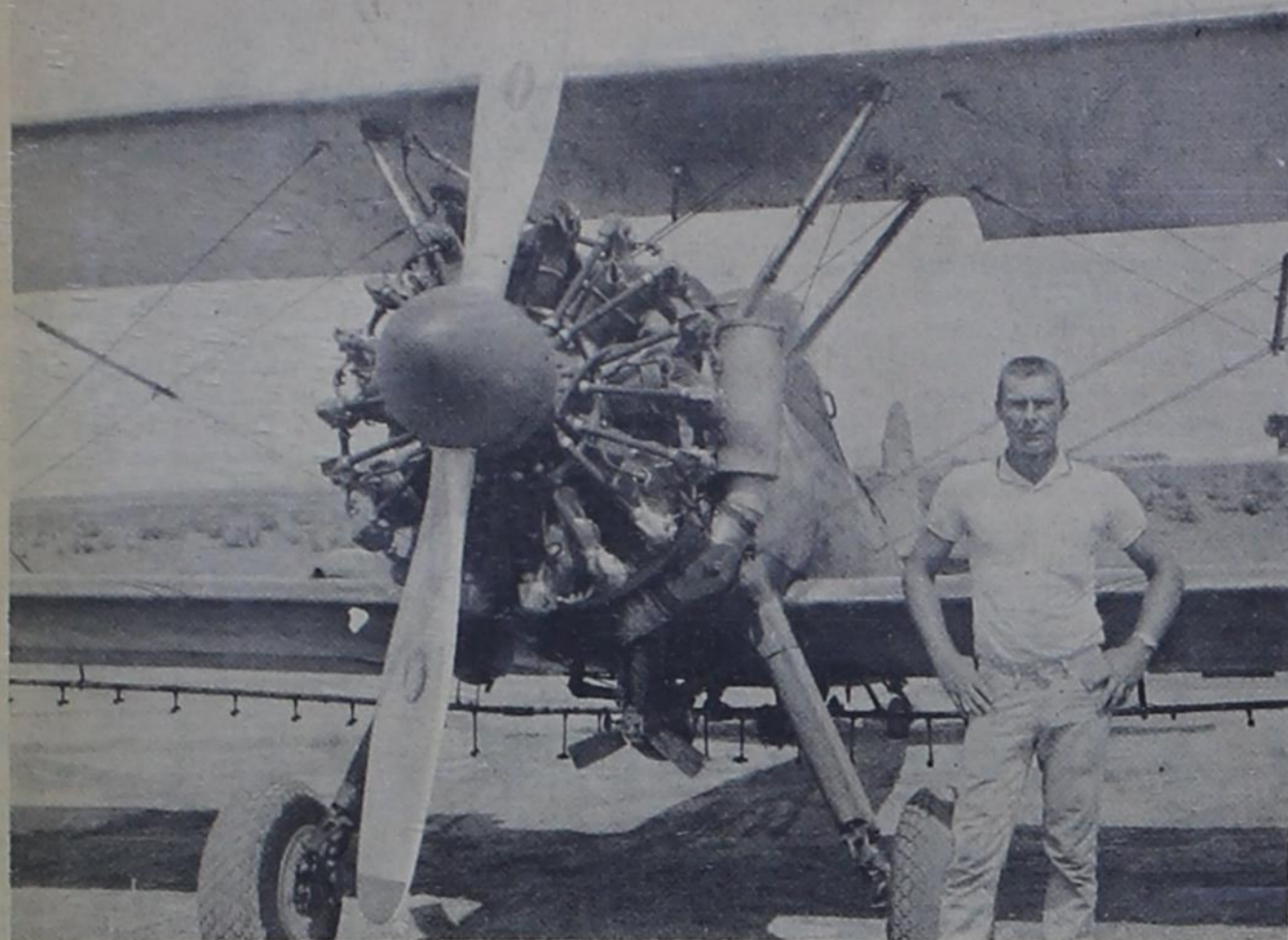
The sprayers are attached to the underside of the wings, and resemble miniature irrigation pipelines. A tank in front of the cockpit stores whatever chemical is being sprayed.

There are also special attachments for solids and powders. Chemicals are generally mixed with water and are referred to as "high gallonage" or "high volume" and "low gallonage," or "low volume." Low volume spraying means that the chemical is highly concentrated, and is a fine spray. High volume is, conversely, spray containing a high proportion of water. "It's possible to spray as little as four ounces per acre," said Thompson. The amount and volume is determined by what type of insect or plant disease is being eradicated. During a normal working day, a single plane may average approximately 1000 acres sprayed. More planes in service allow, of course, more acreage to be sprayed.

One problem encountered by the beginning-to-boom business

is that of illegitimate dusters. Last year in New Mexico, a dusting firm used the wrong kind of chemical and dusted only a small portion of the area supposedly protected. "I don't know if they were prosecuted, but it sure made the farmers mad," recalled Mrs. Stallings. "This makes it hard for the conscientious, legitimate dusters."

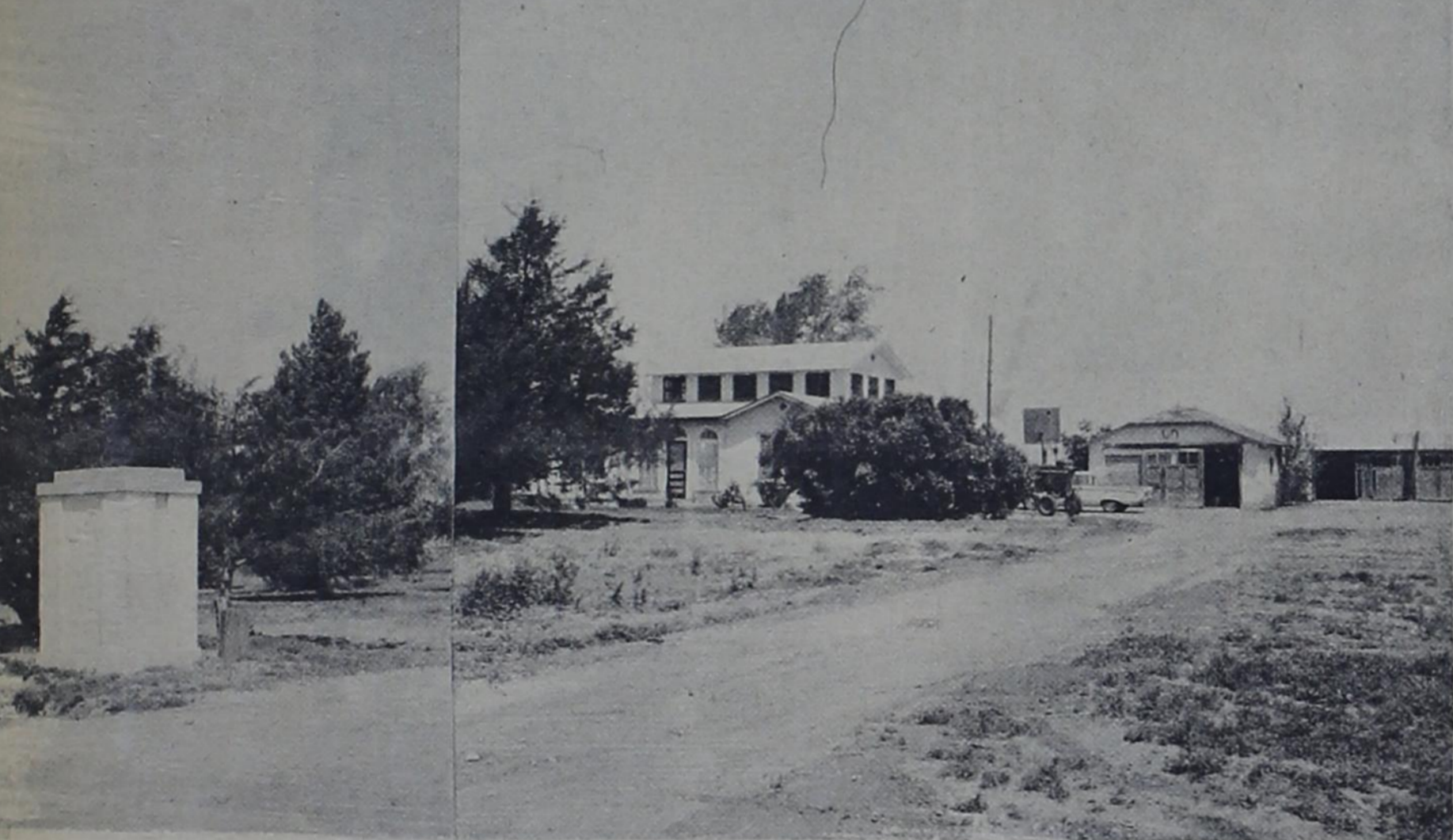
Crop spraying can be a profitable business. Profits, though, depend largely on the season and the need for the services of the aerial chemists. "The money is good for the time you spend," commented Thompson. "But I never did see a rich crop duster!" "Yes, you can make a pretty good living," added Davis. "It's profitable for the farmer as well as the spray-boy," Mrs. Stallings agreed.



AMERICAN DUSTING'S STEARMAN 400 --- Standing in front of a Stearman 400 bi-plane, is spray pilot Brooks Davis. Davis came to Bovina from northeast Texas' Pecan Gap to take over the local unit of American Dusting.



BULL TOWN LONGHORN--This Longhorn is causing quite a bit of comment at an area feed lot. Once, the predominant breed in Texas because of their durability, the Longhorns have all but disappeared. Although they've been replaced by other cattle, the folklore of the breed lives on. (Photo courtesy of Cecil Sisk)



LANDMARK -- Headquarters for the 69 Ranch, or sometimes called the Jersig Ranch, located about 10 miles northwest of Bovina, still exhibits much of its original grandeur. The house was built of thick adobe walls in a mixture of Spanish and Southern architecture. Its owner figured into the court case involving the election of 1913 over the county seat of Farmer County.

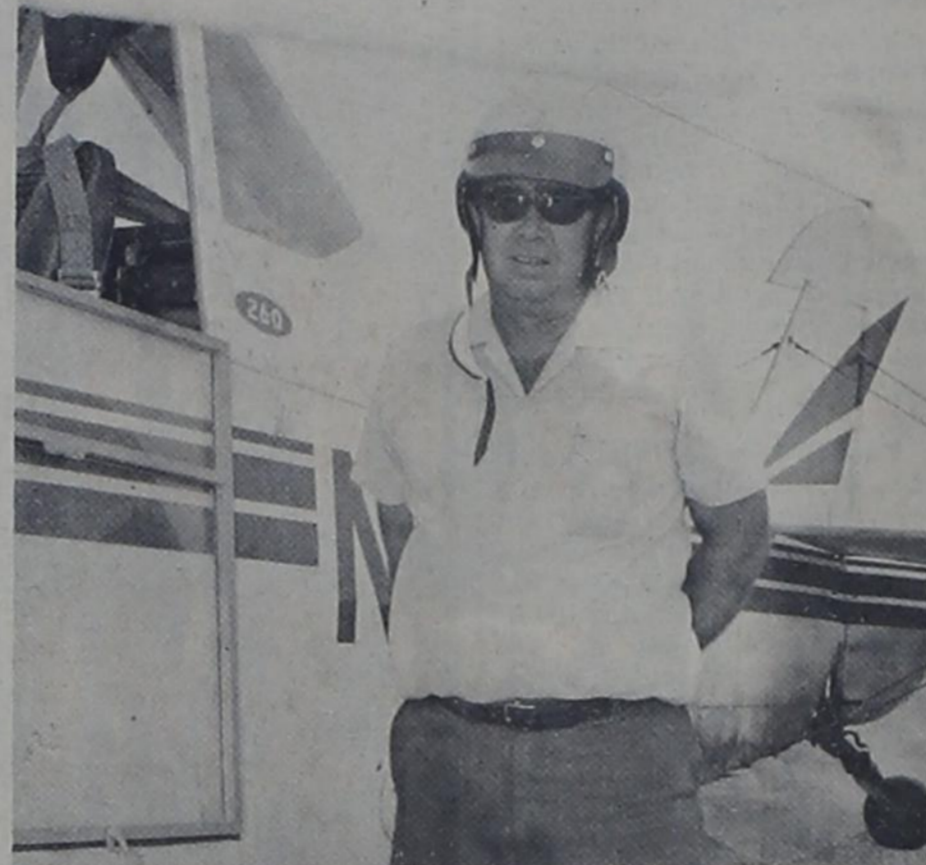
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PARMERTON -- There is nothing to show that this hill, halfway between Bovina and Friona, was once the county seat of Parmer County---back in 1907. Its only claim to fame in 1969 is its altitude -- said to be the highest spot on the Santa Fe railroad in West Texas.

Parmerton --

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censes issued in Parmer County show one issued in Parmerton on April 7, 1908 to J. D. Howard and Miss Mattie V. Stratton. On May 9, 1908 a license was issued in Farwell to W. H. Butler and Mrs. Salie Cress.
Since report of election was made on May 6 and license issued in Farwell on May 9, it is assumed the court house records were moved between those dates.
An interesting sidelight --- one of the earliest marriage licenses was issued in Parmerton on March 1, 1908, to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Curtis, who are now making their home at Farwell.
Speculation has it that Parmerton was selected county seat in the first place because it was in the five mile limit of center of the county. Hastings says he believes the XIT syndicate intended for the county seat to be

in Bovina--and probably would have been if the town had been built on the north side of the lake across Highway 60. It then would have been in the five mile limit, which required only a majority of the votes.
Others think the syndicate wanted the county seat moved to Farwell where its main offices were later located. As stated before, a two-thirds vote was necessary to move a county seat.
At any rate, Parmerton, as a town, disappeared. One of the houses was sold for \$12.50, according to the Commissioners Court Notes. Another was moved to Bovina and later bought by Frank Hastings.
The court house still exists. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Burnett make it their home about five miles northwest of Bovina. No one seems to know how it got there, but the Burnett farm was originally part of the 69 Jersig ranch. It has since been imodeled and added to, and stuc-

co covers its old frame siding. The Burnetts have lived in the house 23 years.
After the court house was moved in 1907, county seat politics died down for a few years --but not for long. In 1913 another election was held -- to try to move it back to Parmerton.
When the election results came in, District Judge D. B. Hill of Dalhart was holding court in Farwell. To keep the cases on the docket "legal," the vote counting was staved off. Otherwise, if Parmerton won, court would be forced to dismiss and convene later in the county seat.
This election was also contested -- this time by James Hannibal (John) Aldridge, father of Sam Aldridge and the late John Aldridge. The case was heard twice before the Court of Civil Appeals of Texas in Amarillo.

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Report of Revenue Business of Santa Fe Railroad Station, Month of June 1912 and 1913. The table contains multiple sections: 'Report of Revenue Business' with columns for 'This Year' and 'Last Year' for various freight classes; 'WEIGHT IN POUNDS' for L.C.L. freight; 'PASSENGER FREIGHT RECEIVED'; and 'PAYROLL FOR THE MONTH' with columns for 'No.' and 'Amount' for different roles like Agent, Conductor, and Switchman.

1913 RAILROAD REPORT -- A shipment record to and from Bovina in the years 1912 and 1913 was found recently by Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Ross, Deciphered by Santa Fe Agent Dean Hastings, the report shows that John Lucas was then the agent. On right hand section, the comparison report shows that Bovina shipped out one carload of wheat that year, as compared to five in 1912; two carloads of horses and mules; 1159 carloads of cattle in 1913, 895 in 1912; two of sheep and goats as compared to four the year before; and "E/O", thought to be immigrant cars for shipping household goods, 18 and 16, respectively. Merchandise, livestock, etc., received in Bovina is listed below on right. Lower left shows the agent received a salary of \$80 per month, and two operators a total of \$12. Since these were the years Bovina was a great cattle shipping point, note the difference in shipment and receipt of livestock in those two years.

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Headquarters In Austin --

State Lab Insures Farmers Good Seed

By Carolyn Bobo

When it's planting time in Parmer County and on the High Plains farmers are aware of the necessity of selecting a high quality, fertile seed for their crops.

The Texas Department of Agriculture Seed Laboratory was established to insure area, and all farmers in Texas, against the sale of unhealthy or trash-containing seeds.

State labs are located in Lubbock, Stephenville, Nacogdoches, and Austin. The headquarters is located amidst the maze of state office buildings and construction forming the Capitol complex in downtown Austin.

The labs continue testing agricultural, and vegetable and herb seeds for germination and purity percentages under the provisions of the Field Seed Certification Law, Passed in 1923, the purpose of the law is "to make it possible for farmers to buy planting seed which can be relied upon to give fa-

avorable returns . . . to increase the net income for farm families by more careful seeding of inferior seed . . ."

Last year approximately 6,000 tests were administered at the Austin headquarters.

The lab's blue or purple tag, stating germination and purity percentages, must be on a sack of seed weighing 10 pounds or more and being sold outside the county in which it was grown.

These percentages are more than just numbers: they are the results of tests performed in the lab. A farmer wishing to have his seed tagged must send a sample, the amount varying with different types of seed and grain, to the lab. The fee for testing ranges from \$1-\$5, depending on the seed and which tests are to be performed.

First the seed will be weighed and literally picked apart, in the test for purity. Inert matter such as straw, hulls, and dirt are removed and weighed, as for foreign seeds visible

in the sample. They are weighed on a torsion balance, and the percentage of each in the sample calculated. These figures are recorded, and if the sample does not have an unusually high percentage of inert or noxious matter, it is sent to the next test procedure.

Preparation for germination is the next step. Strata is prepared depending on the types of seed. Some seeds are planted in petri dishes, and others wrapped in blotters, or paper towel-like mats.

In the case of grain sorghum, 100 seeds are prepared for germination in an unusual manner. A plastic square, approximately 8"x8"x1", is connected to an air hose. On the square are 100 holes similar to tiny vacuum cleaners. When seeds are poured onto the square and then shaken off, 100 will be held in place by air pressure; the others discarded. The seed-covered plastic is turned face down on the strata, the air pressure released, and 100 seeds are in

a perfect square, ready to go into the germinator.

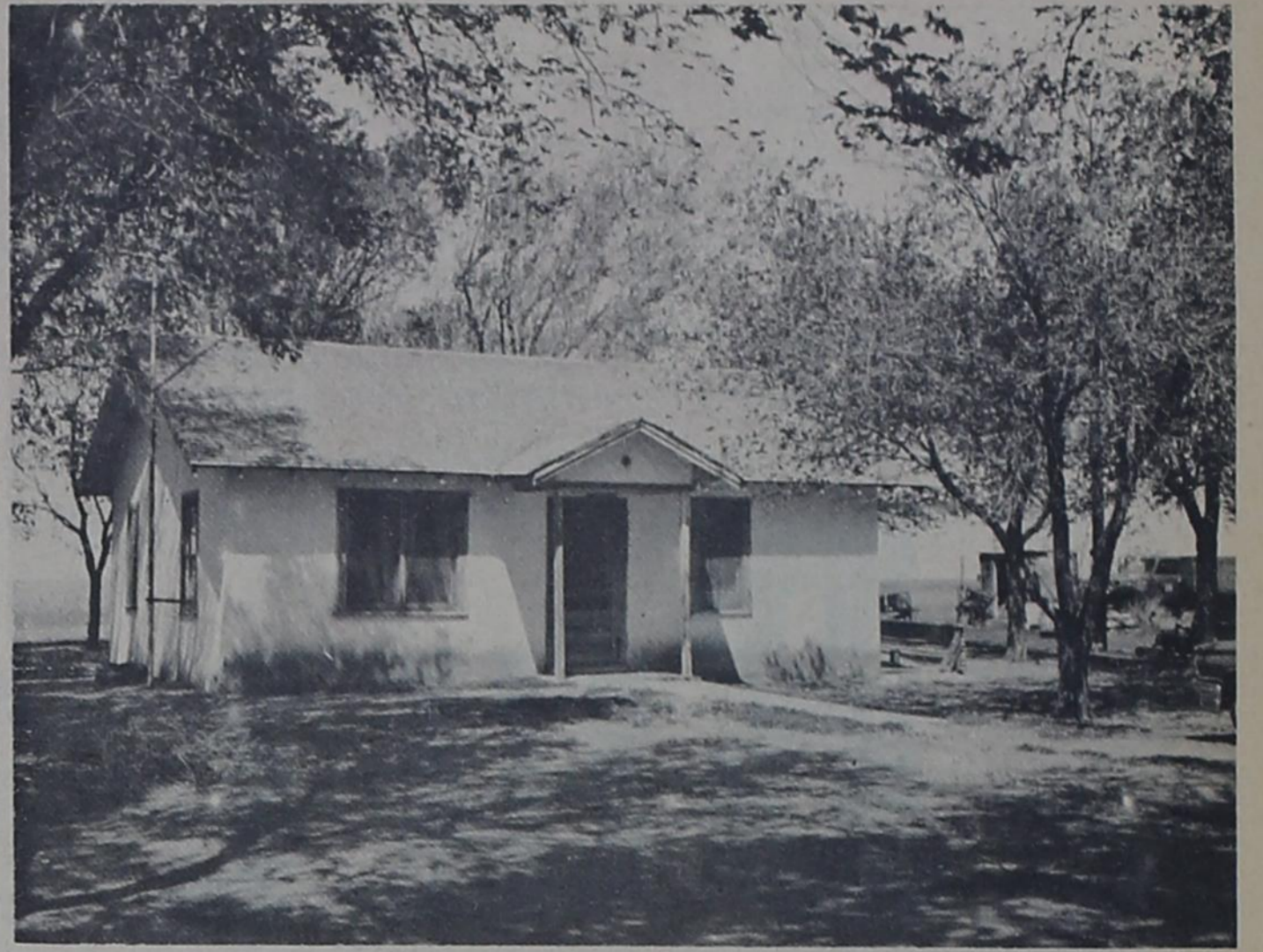
Germinators are similar to refrigerators, and have light and heat regulated depending on the needs of the seeds. After the proper germinating period, the new sprouts are removed, inspected and given a rating reflecting the number of seeds that can be expected to grow--the germination percentage.

When the consumer sees a seed tag on grain, he will have an idea of the quality of the product. If the seed is labeled 90 per cent germination, 90 of every 100 seeds planted should sprout and grow. If the seed is labeled 95 per cent pure, the quantity contains only about five per cent weed, trash, straw, or other foreign matter.

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HISTORIC BUILDING -- Parmer County's first court house, built at Parmerton in 1907, is now the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Burnett. Its location for most of its existence has been an old 69 Ranch, later broken down into farms, about five miles northwest of Bovina. The building has long since been remodeled and made into a suitable dwelling.

ists, the lab can ask for a hearing and file suit, usually for \$25-\$200, depending on the severity of the mislabeling.

Although most of the samples received by the lab come from within the state, some are from Oklahoma and New Mexico. These are usually from individuals or companies wishing to sell seed in Texas.

There are also privately-owned laboratories which test for germination and purity, but only a state lab can provide the tag for legal sale in Texas.

Parmerton --
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The second hearing was held March 4, 1916 and denied March 22 by Judge J. Hendricks --- three years after the election.

Following is part of his decision, quoted from 184 Southwestern Reporter, page 602, Al-dridge et al vs. Hamlin et al (No. 886).

"This case involves the contest of an election, over the removal of the county seat of Parmer County, Texas, from Farwell to Parmerton. The county judge, (J. D. Hamlin) in announcing the returns and declaring the result of the election, stated a total of 228 votes, 110 for the county seat remaining at Farwell, 114 for re-dition, announced a numerical result as follows: 'For remaining at Farwell, 100 votes; for

removal to Bovina, 1 vote; for removal to Parmerton, 95 votes; for removal to Friona, 3 votes;' the trial judge also declared; 'that the true result of said election was in favor of the county seat remaining at Farwell.'

"The trial court sustained 17 challenges offered by the contestees as to the qualifications of voters casting their ballots for removal to Parmerton, which was deducted by the court from Parmerton's vote. The action of the trial court moved to Parmerton, three for Friona, and one for Bovina. As canvassed, Parmerton not having received the majority (its vote being equal to Friona and Farwell), the result was declared in favor of the county seat remaining at Farwell. The election was ordered on September 1, 1913, and held October 18, 1913.

"The district judge concluded

that the vote of one of the boxes was incorrectly shown in the returns and the ballots in that box were recounted, and, after passing upon the qualifications of certain voters, challenged by both sides, and rejecting two ballots, on account of their con-rejecting 10 of said voters is not excepted to in this court. The appellants, however, attack the rulings of the court as to the qualifications of the following voters, deducted from the total vote for removal to Parmerton."

The judge proceeded to review the right to vote of those contested. This in itself, is an interesting story. Some had moved temporarily to another county or state (finding work during drought years), some had not established residence in Parmer County, and one Bovina voter testified he had been intimidated.

Nevertheless, Judge Hend-

ricks stated, "Judgment of the trial court is affirmed." And the court house stayed at Farwell.

The town survived as the county seat in the 1926 election---and it remains there today.

But this is a story of Parmerton.

It is farm land now, under the able hand of I. W. Quickel. Some of the old townsite is still platted into lots -- owned by out-of-county people, who continue to pay county taxes on the town property.

These lots, too, are farmed by Quickel.

Today, an Eastern traveler looks at Parmerton, sees only fields of grain, cattle, a railroad switch, a billboard -- and a small grain elevator. There is nothing to tell the story of a little town that never really got started.

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Thursday, Aug. 14th

BOVINA ROPING ARENA

- ★ 1:00 p.m. -- OPEN JACK-POT CALF ROPING
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Admission: \$1.00 and 50¢
- ★ 6:00 p.m. --- COW CALLING CONTEST
Men's and Women's Divisions
- ★ 6:30 p.m. --- BEARD GROWING Contest
- ★ 7:00 p.m. --- QUEENS CONTEST

Bovina Schools Auditorium

- ★ 8:30 p.m. --- VARIETY SHOW
(Contest Winners to Be Announced at Show)
Admission: \$1.00 per Family

Friday, Aug. 15th

- ★ CHUCK WAGON BREAKFAST
7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. — Bovina Gin
- ★ OLD TIMERS' REUNION
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon — Downtown Bovina
- ★ HORSEMANSHIP ACTIVITIES
10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. — At Roping Arena
- ★ 8-Man PONY EXPRESS RACE
Entries Welcome
- ★ DOWNTOWN PARADE
4 p.m.

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- ★ 8:15 p.m. --- PRESENTATION OF AWARDS DOWNTOWN BOVINA
- ★ 8:30 p.m. --- SQUARE DANCE CONTEST
- ★ 9:00 p.m. --- DOWNTOWN SQUARE DANCE
TEENAGE DANCE - American Legion Hall 9 p.m. to Midnight

Saturday, August 16th

9th ANNUAL BOVINA ROPING CLUB

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BOVINA ROPING ARENA

JUDGING BEGINS 10:00 A. M.

- 4:00 p.m. - Dedication of Bovina Bull Statue on Highway 60 in Bovina
- 5:00 p.m. --- FIDDLERS CONTEST --- 3 Cash Prizes - \$50 - \$35 - \$15

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American Legion Hall - 9 p.m. to Midnight

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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13, 1969

Thursday Night At 8:30

Variety Show Presents Western Wedding

Contest Winners To Be Announced

Ruth Ann Hough, Alan Carson, Bruce Caldwell and Mike Beauchamp. "Your Cheatin' Heart," "I'm Walking the Floor Over You," and an Eddy Arnold tune, "Big Bouquet of Roses," "Born to Lose," and "Baby the Rain Must Fall," are also featured. Soloists during the show will include Lewis McDaniel, Jan Gromowsky, Radford Venable (Continued on Page 9)



BTD QUEEN CANDIDATE --- Darlene Murphy is a candidate for 1969 Bull Town Days Queen. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Murphy, and is a sophomore in Bovina High School. Chuck's Aerial Spraying is her sponsor.

The 1969 version of the Bull Town Days Variety Show will be unveiled Thursday night at 8:30, in Bovina Schools auditorium.

Titled "The Wedding," the show will have an old-west theme, and is under the direction of Mrs. Mike Barraza. Admission to the show is \$1 per family.

Highlighting the production will be a shotgun wedding, featuring Lora Bartlett as the bride and Pat Kunselman as the groom. Other characters will include Darrell Read, as the essential component, the minister; Marion Carson and Lula White as the bride's distraught parents; and Bill Bradshaw as the bride's brother. Lowell Bozoz will portray the brother of the groom.

The father of the reluctant groom will be portrayed by Carl Rea, and Natalie Wilson will be a flower girl. Ronny Mitchell, appropriately enough, will be the sheriff.

Narrator Leslie McCain will open the old-west revisited show with a short tale of life on the frontier.

The scene will then shift to an exemplary western town complete with boys playing marbles, and a housewife of the plains scrubbing clothes on a wash board.

The plot thickens, as Rev. Ken Moore enters and sings. Rev. Moore's musical rendition is followed by the wedding, which promises to be unlike any of the weddings most of us are familiar with.

Scene two opens with a wedding celebration, with plenty of singing and dancing.

Intermission follows and will give the citizens of the old west a few moments to rest, while awards are made to winners of Thursday's contests.

The Bull Town Days Queen will be presented, after having been judged at 7 p.m. in the Roping Arena. Nancy Mitchell,

1968 BTD Queen, will make the presentation.

Winners will also be announced in the men's and women's cow calling contests, and the beard-growing competition.

Awards will be given to the winners of open jack-pot calf roping and boys calf riding at intermission, also.

Scene three brings the audience back to the mythical frontier settlement, now in the local saloon. Radford Venable will be tending the bar and Mrs. Doris Wilson's piano-playing will lend atmosphere.

Saloon girl Vickie Kunselman will sing an appropriately plaintive song and Lavern Hambrick will retrieve her husband from the evils of drink and dance. "We expect this to be one of our best numbers," said Mrs. Barraza.

To conclude the story, a chorus line second to none will perform.

Members of the chorus include: Jim Russell, Pat Kunselman, Neal Mager, Ovid Lawlis, and others.

The entire cast will assemble after the can-can for the grand finale.

Assisting Mrs. Barraza are Mickey Patterson, Jean McDaniel, Jan Heard, and Rose McCain. Other assistant directors are Dudley Hughes, Jim Laster, Lewis McDaniel, Bob Wilson, and Jerry Wright.

A four-man band will provide music for the production. Its members include Larry Webb and Lewis McDaniel, guitars; A. L. Kerby, fiddle; and Bob Wilson, guitar.

The chorus will consist of Nancy Mitchell, Phil Sorley, Jan Gromowsky, Larry Mitchell, Kim Gober, Gary Carson, Candy Wilson, Ronny Dyer, Denise Clements, Royce Sisk, and Brenda Dyer.

Also, Johnie Horn, Debra Kirkpatrick, Bobby Redden, Cindy Barrett, Bob Sparks, Sheryl Moore, Debbie Sorley,



BTD QUEEN CANDIDATE --- The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Kirkpatrick, Debra Kirkpatrick is a candidate for Bull Town Days Queen. She is a junior in Bovina High School, and is sponsored by Bovina Roping Club.

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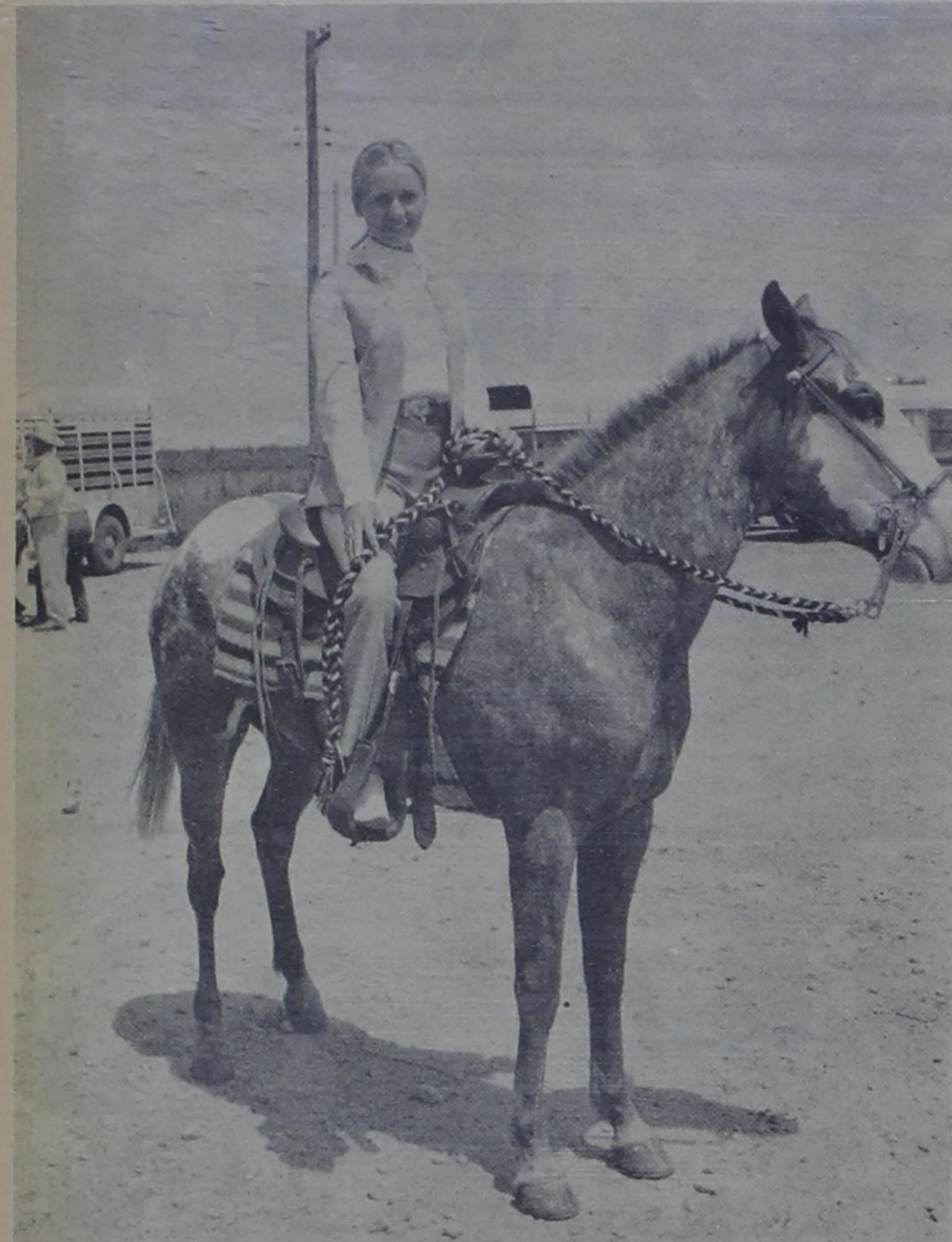
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Nine In Competition For 1969 BTDD Queen

Nine girls have entered the Bull Town Days Queen contest, with one to be crowned to reign over this year's festivities. They will be vying for the honor Thursday night at 7 p.m.



BTDD QUEEN CANDIDATE -- Sponsored by Wilson's Super Market, Karen Bell is a candidate for Bull Town Days Queen. The Bovina High senior is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Durward Bell.

in the roping arena. The new Mrs. Wilma Fulgham, an accomplished horsewoman from Clovis, will be in charge of judging the contest. Girls will be judged on horsemanship, 60 per cent; and appearance, personality, and beauty, 40 per cent.

Bull Town Teen Dance Friday Night

Mrs. Marie Venable is in charge of the Bull Town Days teen dance. Mrs. Venable announces that "The Intruders," a rock group from Amarillo will provide music. The dance will be in the American Legion Hall from 9 p.m. to midnight, Friday night. Admission will be \$1.50 per person. Approximately 250 attended the affair last year, and "we're expecting more this year," commented Mrs. Venable.

Band Practice To Begin This Week

Bovina High Mustang Band rehearsals will begin this week in preparation for the Bull Town Days parade, director James Andrews announces. Only part of the entire band will be participating, however. Regular rehearsals will start next week and last until school starts. "We will begin preparing for the 1969 football season," added Andrews. Practices will begin at 7:30 or 8 p.m., he said. Approximately 65 students are expected to comprise the high school band, with an additional 40 in junior high, and 25 in the elementary group. "We're extremely proud of our new facilities," said Andrews. "The band room has been renovated and we have some new instruments. It looks like a real good year."

at intermission of the variety show, which begins at 8:30 Thursday night. Mrs. Roger Ezell is chairman of the contest for the second year.

Homemakers Plan Meeting

Rules specify that candidates for the contest must be between the ages of 14 and 21, at least a freshman in high school, and single. Queen candidates and their sponsors are: Darlene Murphy, Chuck's Aerial Spraying; Karen Bell, Wilson's Super Market; Debra Kirkpatrick, Bovina Roping Club; Brenda Dyer, Bonds Oil; Martha Adams, Paul Jones Texaco; Holly Davis, The Bovina Blade; Loy Beth Christian, Bovina Hobby Shop; Cindy Barrett, Sherrill Lumber Co.; and Rosemary Brown, Mustang Drive-In. Past Bull Town Days queens are LaNelle Christian, Pam Grissom, Gwen Christian Corn, Lynn Looney Cabe, and Miss Mitchell. Last year's runners-up were Toni Pinner and Darlene Denney. Five candidates appeared on Amarillo television stations,

along with other representatives of the celebration, this week. The candidates and new queen will also ride in the Bull Town Days parade Friday afternoon at 4.

Downtown --

Friday Features Square Dancing

Square dancers from around the area are expected to be on hand Friday night for competition and a downtown square dance. "The square that stays together longest without making a mistake will get a trophy," said the chairman of the event, Pat Kunselman. The Bovina group, the Star Riders, will be unofficial hosts for the dance, which is part of Bull Town Days, 1969. Tentative plans call for the

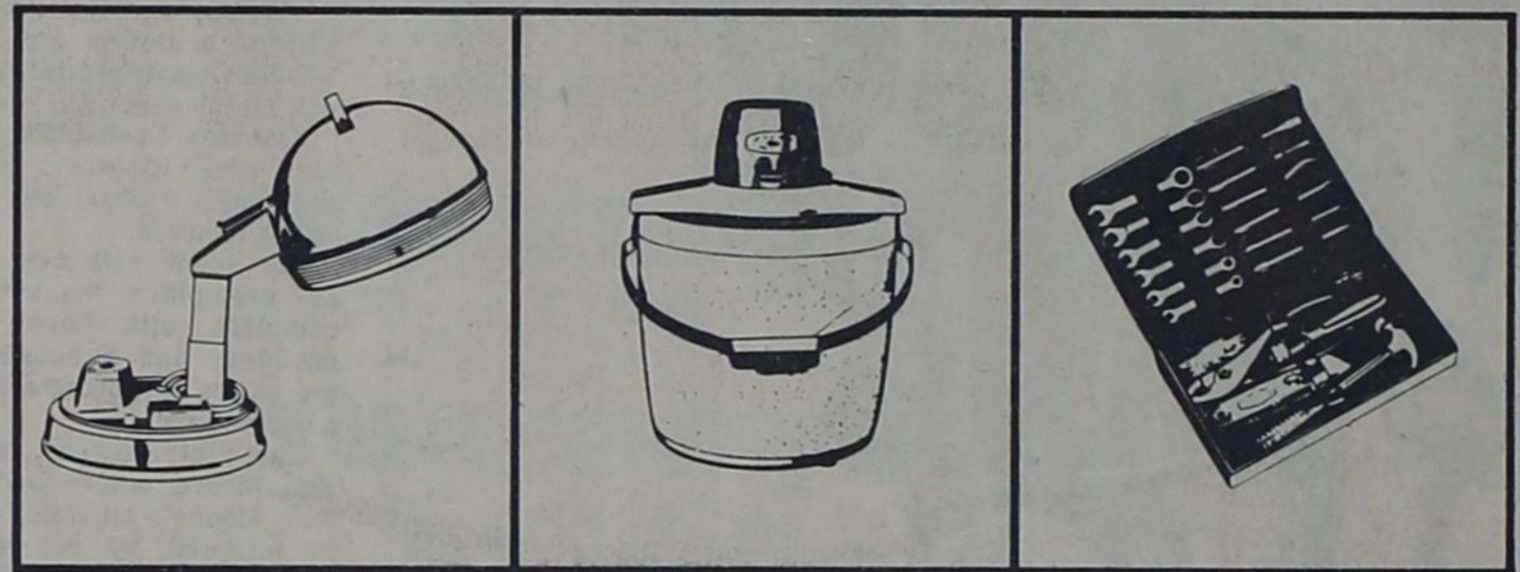
Days parade Friday afternoon at 4. Pictures of all the girls appear in this week's issue of The Blade.

dancing to be in front of the hotel, in downtown Bovina.

The contest is slated for 8:30 Friday night, with general dancing beginning at 9. Music will be provided by records, and Eddie Gunnels of Clovis will be calling. "We hope to have about 10 squares," said Kunselman. "And everybody's welcome to join." Judges will be selected from the crowd.

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City Incorporated In 1947 --

Rhineharts Chose Bovina Over Oklahoma City Life

By Carolyn Bobo
Many and varied are the tales of the origin of Bull Town, the station on the fabled XIT ranch in early Texas.

The Capitol Land Syndicate was responsible for the birth of Bull Town when it received nearly 3,500,000 acres of land, stretching over 200 miles along the western edge of the Texas panhandle, in return for constructing a capitol in Austin.

Bull Town came into existence as a town in 1898. Legends center around two ideas as to the origin of the descriptive name. Bovina was thought to be one of the largest inland cattle shipping points in the United States. Cattle were supposedly loaded and shipped day and night from a 12,000 head hold-over lot.

Another tale is that railroad engineers had to pause and chase cattle off the tracks to get through the area. In either

case, Bull Town, Texas was very much alive at the turn of the century.

When civilization caught up with the ranch station in the Panhandle, the name changed. Again, there are different opinions as to the selection of the name Bovina.

One theory is that the Post Office Department refused to accept Bull Town, and requested another name for its records. Another idea is that the postmaster and/or the citizens decided that something with a little more sophistication was needed for the tiny cow-town.

Whatever the name, the town officially existed, thanks to the state government's attempt to push-off some semi-arid Texas land on a group of unsuspecting Englishmen. The name selected was Bovina, a form of bovine, which Webster defines as "pertaining to oxen and cows."

The little community now had a name and a post office, and a slightly perceptible population increase. Ranching and farming were the principle resources of the area.

Several years later, a machinist and his wife in Oklahoma City decided that the inconvenience of carrying three daughters to three different schools was too much to bear. O. W. and Nettie Rhinehart discovered Bovina --- a small town of 250 friendly people, with only one school.

"I came out and looked, and liked the place myself," recalled Rhinehart. "She (his wife, Nettie) likes it, too. Now, I can't get her out of Bovina."

The Rhinehart's first business here was a cafe, located where M&M Paint and Glass is today. After two years, Rhinehart switched to a job with the Highway Department, and then purchased the Phil-

lips Wholesale Oil concession. He later sold it, and went into the real estate business, his present occupation.

While enjoying a single school and the succession of jobs, O. W. Rhinehart became interested in the city development of his adopted home.

"We had talked about incorporating the town for about a year, over coffee, around the post office, and in street gatherings," Rhinehart recalled. A population figure of 600 was necessary to incorporate, "and we counted everybody!" he said.

The next step was to have the county judge call an election to see if the residents wanted to incorporate and elect city officials.

"We wanted a commission form of government-- a mayor, and two commissioners -- but the ballots were printed for an aldermanic form-- a mayor and four aldermen," Rhinehart re-

called. "Nobody in town knew the difference until after the election."

In April, 1947, W. O. Cherry was elected mayor of Bovina, with J. T. Hammonds, John Kimbrow, E. V. Isham, and Johnny Glover, elected as aldermen. The balloting mistake was discovered, and Rhinehart and district judge John Aldridge of Farwell journeyed to Austin to ask the Attorney General of Texas, Price Daniel, how to solve the dilemma of the mistaken election. The Bovina representatives had hoped to simply remove the lowest voters and continue with the commission form of government. However, Atty. Gen. Daniel said that tampering with the type of election would cause difficulty with bonding companies, and recommended another election.

In May, 1947, the corrective (Continued on Page 8)



BTD QUEEN CANDIDATE --- Brenda Dyer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Travis Dyer is a candidate for Bull Town Days Queen. She is sponsored by Bonds Oil and is a sophomore in Bovina High School.

WELCOME, FRIENDS TO BULL TOWN DAYS-1969



Friday, Aug. 16th

- ★ **CHUCK WAGON BREAKFAST**
7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. — Bovina Gin
- ★ **OLD TIMERS' REUNION**
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon — Downtown Bovina
- ★ **HORSEMANSHIP ACTIVITIES**
10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. — At Roping Arena
- ★ **8-Man PONY EXPRESS RACE**
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- ★ **FIDDLERS CONTEST Eliminations**
2:00 p.m.
- ★ **DOWNTOWN PARADE**
4 p.m.

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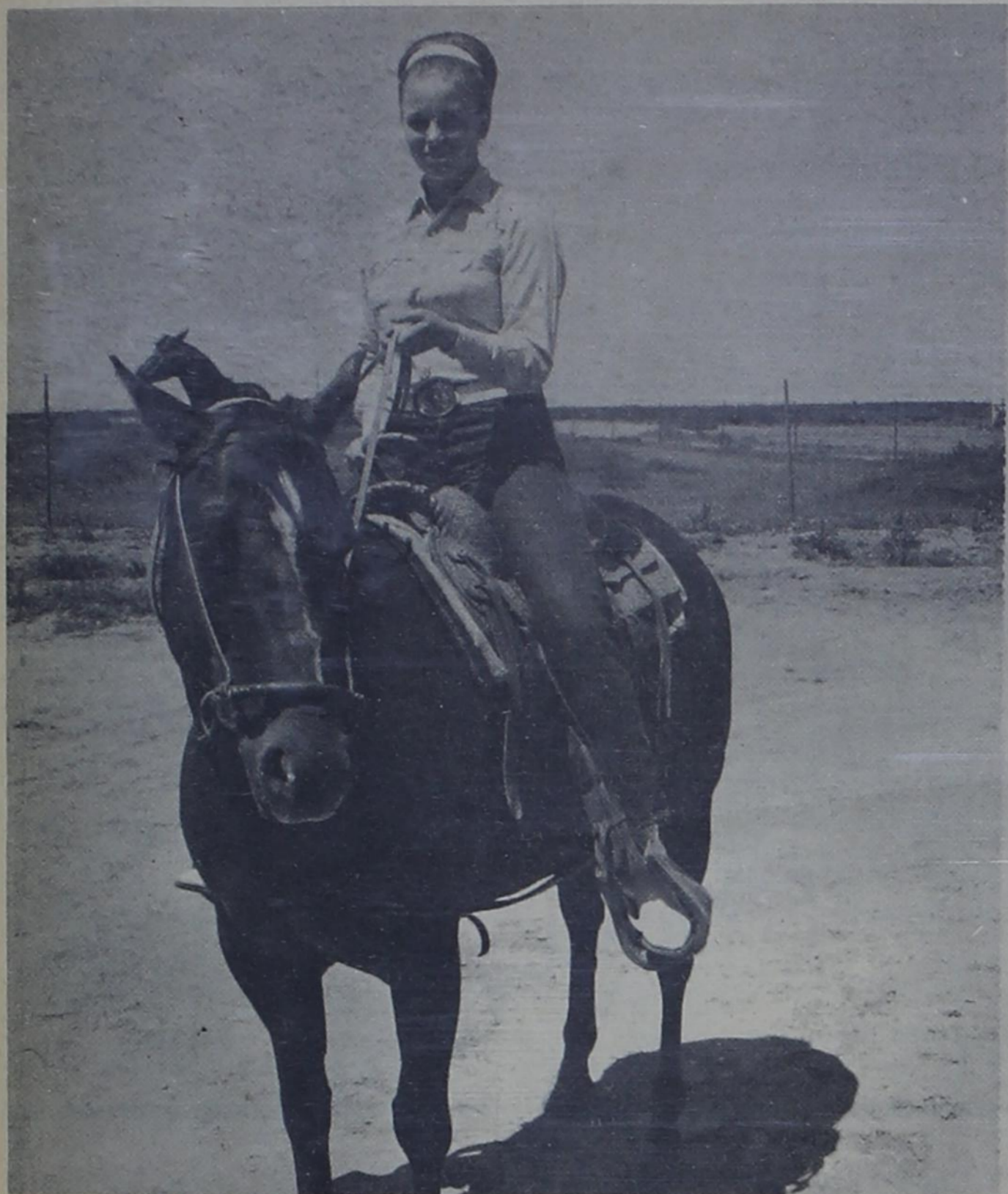
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BTD QUEEN CANDIDATE --- A 1969 graduate of Bovina High School, Martha Adams is a candidate for Bull Town Days Queen. She is sponsored by Paul Jones Texaco, and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pierson Adams.



BTD GIVEAWAY -- This riding lawn mower will be given away during the Saturday night Western Dance, which is the last scheduled activity for Bull Town Days 1969. The American Legion is sponsoring the dance and the giveaway. Proceeds from the \$1-a-chance tickets will be used to pay expenses of Bovina's High School representatives to the Legion sponsored boys and girls state conventions held in Austin each summer. The working machine continues to be on display in the First State Bank. Legion member Charles Hawkins poses with the lawn mower.

Last Week --

14 Girls Complete Co-op Food Fun

Fourteen Bovina Girls completed the Deaf Smith County Electric Cooperative Food Fun for Juniors program last week.

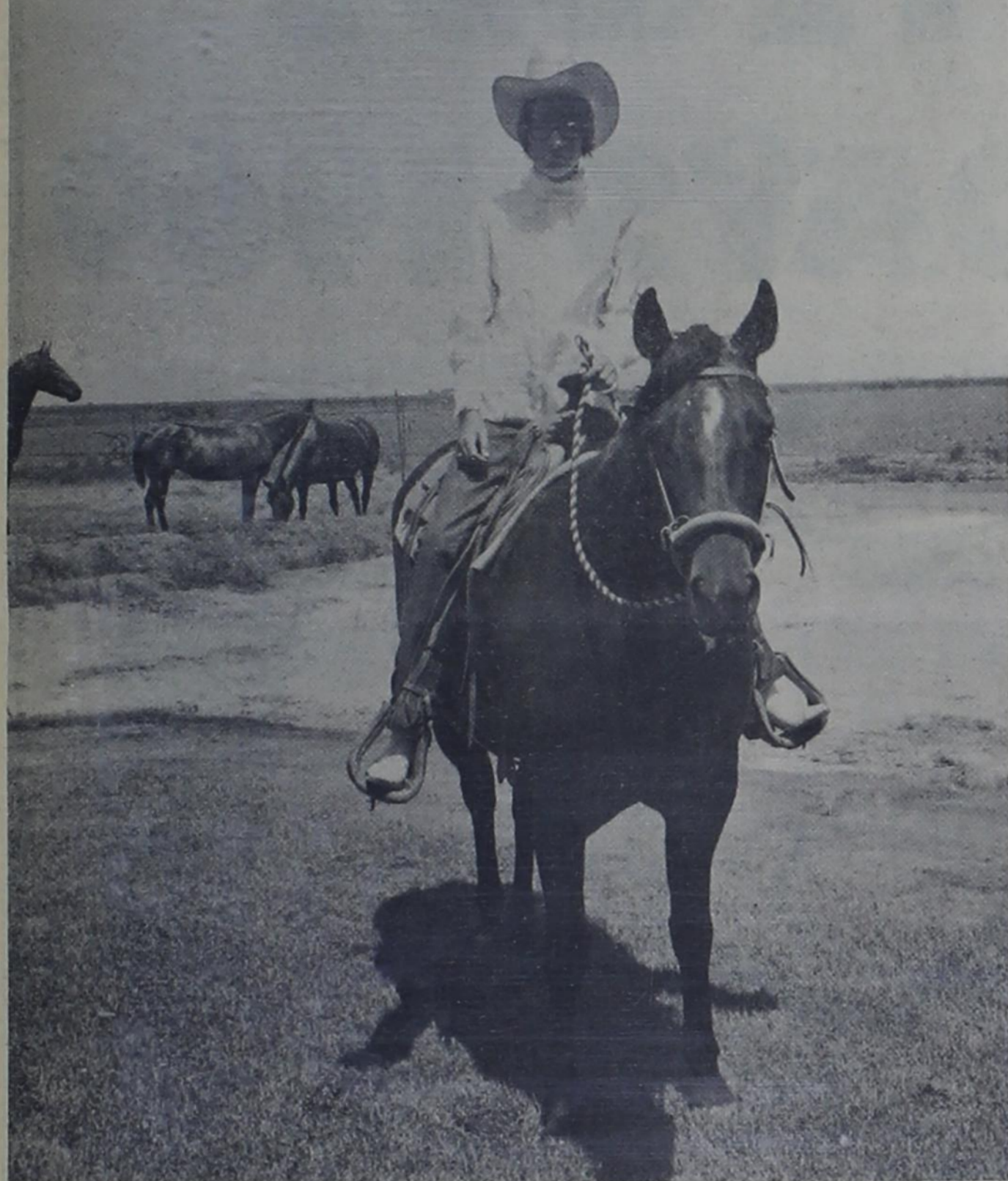
The annual course is sponsored by the electric cooperative in area towns. It is a five-day cooking course for girls nine to 12, designed to teach them the principles of basic food preparation, good kitchen management, meal planning, basic nutrition, table setting, and hints about table manners.

The course was taught by Mrs. Linda Harbin, of Mule-

shoe, from 9 to 11:30 a.m. in the Bovina Schools homemaking cottage.

W. A. Anthony of Friona, a member of the board of directors of Deaf Smith County Co-op, presented diplomas to the following girls: Tammi Russell, Traci Russell, Karen

Merrell, Connie Merrell, Debra Mills, Carla Mills, Rita Nuttall, Rhonda Nuttall, Tammy Christian, Kim Ware, Lezli Williams, Renetta Fisher, Ginger Gover, and Kathy Trimble.



BTD QUEEN CANDIDATE--Rosemary Brown of Bennington, Okla., is a candidate for Bull Town Days Queen. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Brown and is visiting in Bovina with Mr. and Mrs. Owen Patton, and is sponsored by Mustang Drive-In.

Mower Drawing Will Highlight Western Dance

A western dance in the American Legion Hall will close Bull Town Days, 1969.

The dance will be the last event scheduled in three days of activities in the community celebration.

"The Country Gentlemen," a band from Lubbock, will provide the music for the affair.

Lasting from 9 p.m. until midnight, admission will be \$1.50 per person, or \$3 per couple.

During the dance, a riding lawnmower will be given away. The power mower has been on

display for the past month in the First State Bank. Donations on the mower are

\$1, and are being accepted by American Legion members.

This will be the third consecutive year for a western dance to bring down the curtain on Bull Town Days events.

Only veterans who are disabled by injury or disease incurred in or aggravated by active service in line of duty are entitled to compensation, states the VA.

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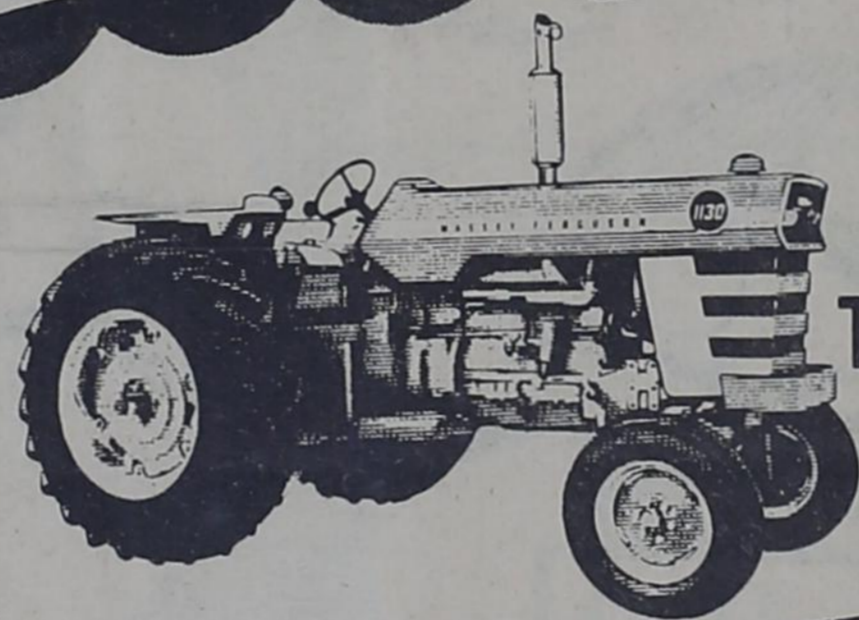
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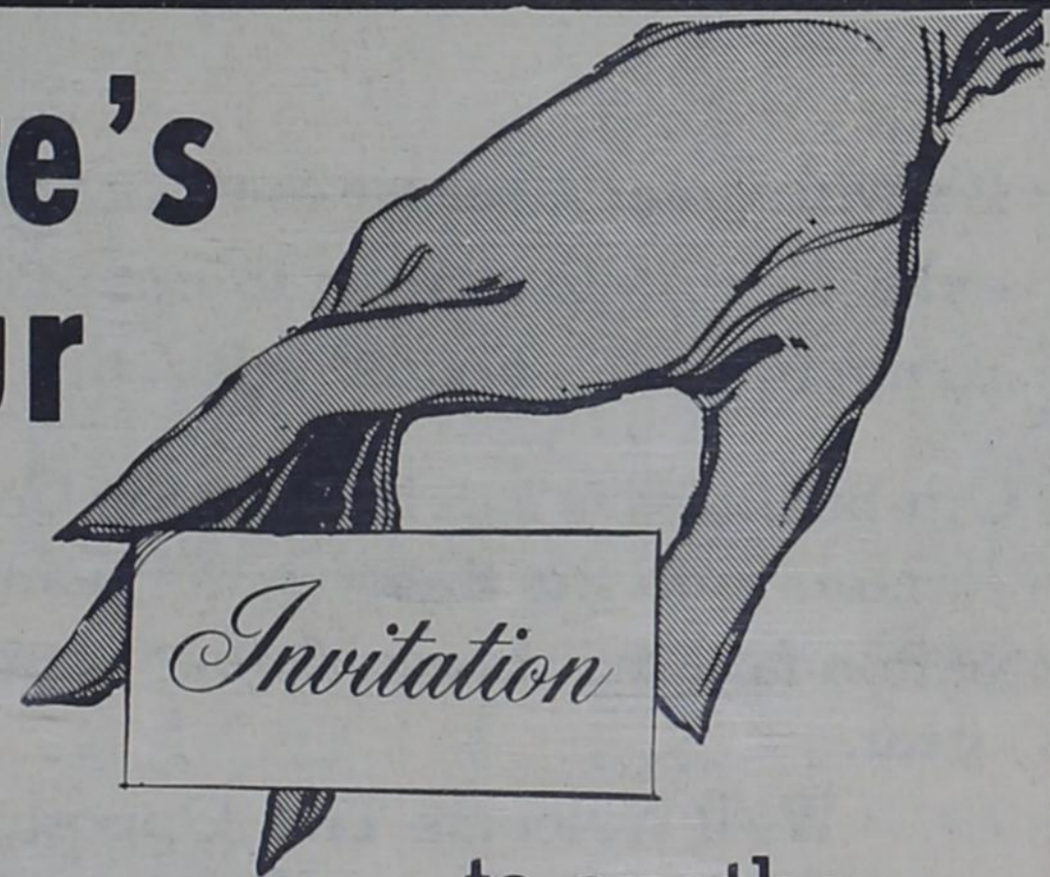
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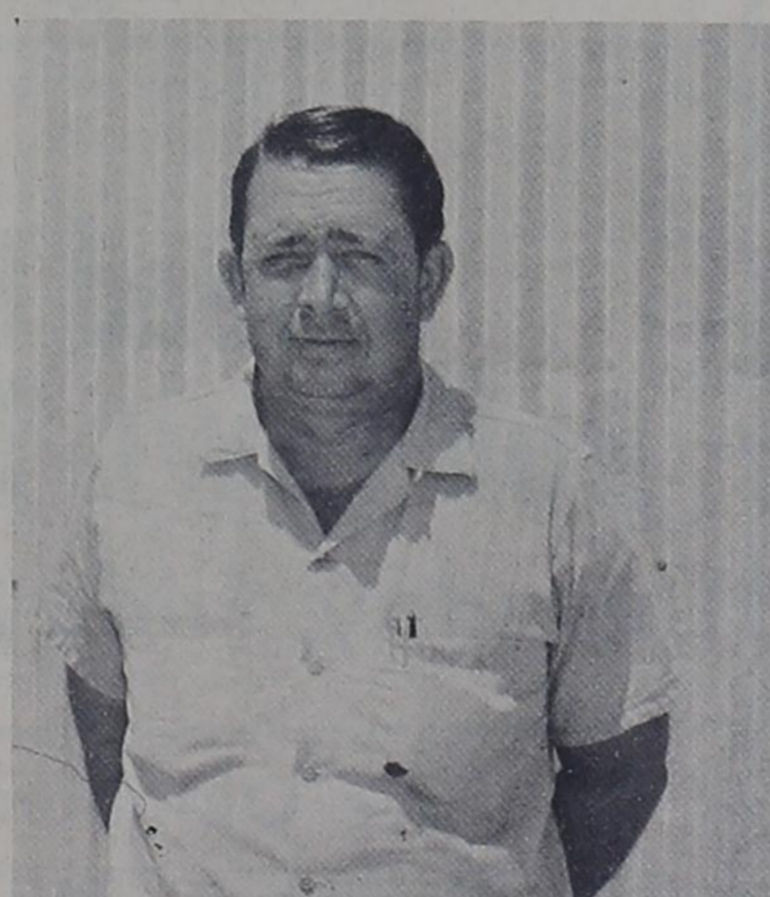
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Ninth Annual --

Quarter Horse Show Expects 100 Entries

The ninth annual Quarter Horse Show will be on the third

Saturday in August again this year.

Bovina Roping Club began sponsoring the show before Bull

Town Days began and the show has now become a regular Saturday event in the line-up of LTD activities.

Entries close and judging starts at 10 a.m. Judging the entries will be John M. Sturgeon of Thomas, Okla.

Last year's show attracted 112 entries, and "We should have at least that many this year," commented show secretary Mrs. Robert Read.

The competition will be held at the roping arena, and halter and performance class entries are \$7. Junior cutting fee is \$12.50 plus \$7.50 office charge, and Senior cutting is \$17.50, also with the office charge. These fees are higher, because the winners receive this money as prizes.

Grand and reserve champions and first place class winners will receive trophies, with rosettes going to second through sixth places.

The show is American Quarter Horse Association approved, and a high point trophy will be awarded.

Competition will include nine performance classes, including

junior and senior reining, and western pleasure, junior and senior roping and cutting, and all-ages barrel racing.

Halter classes will feature a grand champion mare, stallion, and gelding, and reserve champs of those, also.

The 23 halter events will include a mare and 1969 foal, produce of dam, and get of sire.

Ring stewards will be members of the club, Edwin Lide, Sonny Roach, and Brooks Davis.

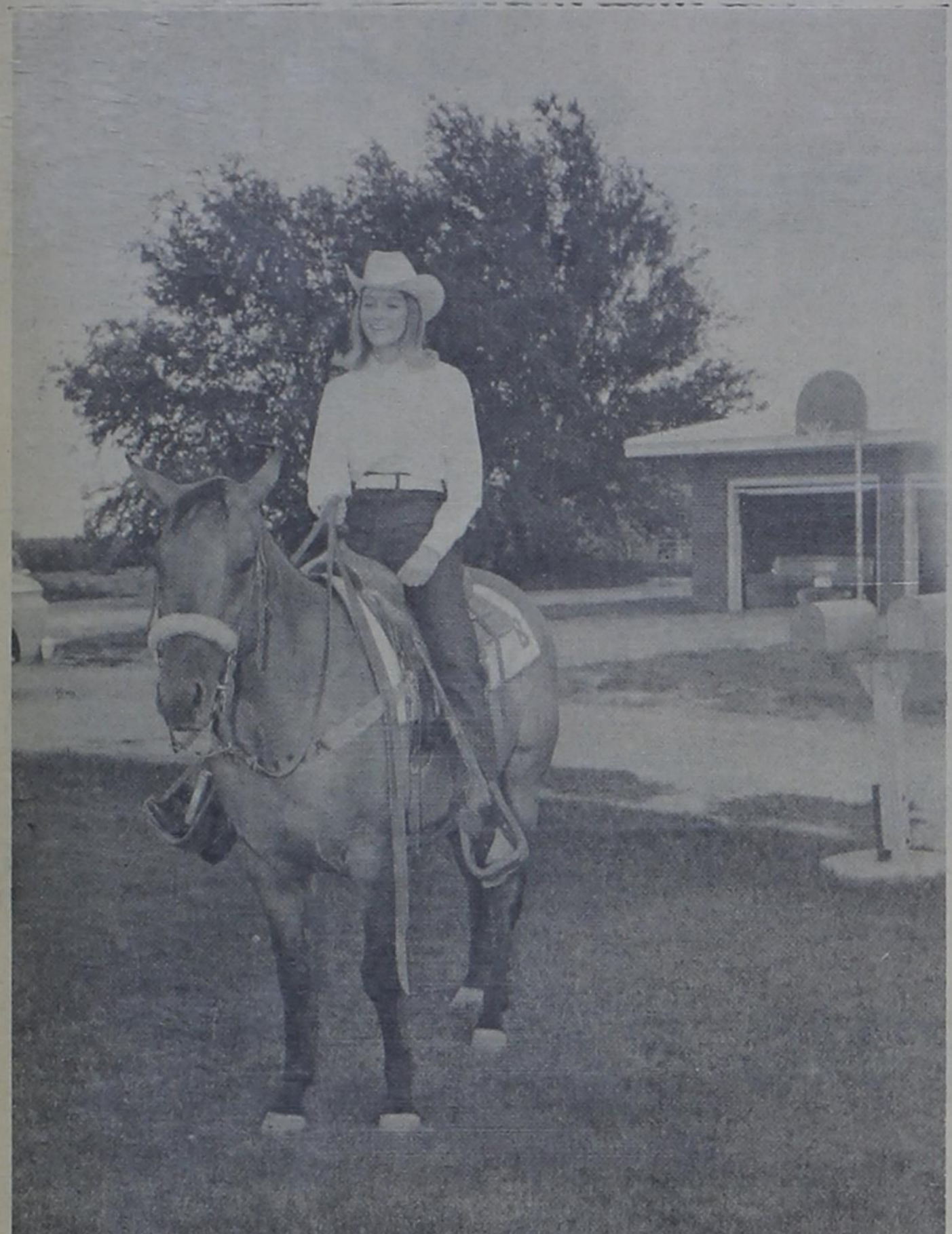
The 1967 show attracted 93 entries, with 81 and 129 entering in 1966 and '65, respectively.

The 1964 show had the largest number of entries, 134. 1963 was the first year for the show's competitors to reach above the century mark, with 120 entering.

The public is invited, and there is no admission charge. The Roping Club will again be operating a concession stand at the arena, with Vernon Estes and Norvell Strawn in charge.



BULL TOWN TRADIN' -- The excitement of Bull Town Days is enough to make even the sanest man get a little carried away. Earl "Possum" Richards, in a fit of unprecedented business acumen, agreed to purchase this goat from Mrs. Dudley Hughes. The goat was delivered as promised this week, wearing a hat, shirt and tie, and pants to Richards on Main Street, Bovina, lending proof to the rumor that animals are sometimes almost human. Left to right are Richards, the goat, Kevin Hughes, and Mrs. Hughes.



BTD QUEEN CANDIDATE --- Sponsored by the Hobby Shop, Loy Beth Christian is a candidate for Bull Town Days Queen. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wendol Christian, she is a junior in Bovina High School.

Musicians Attend Gathering

Three area musicians attended the National Dunning Teachers Association Convention held in Amarillo last week.

The national convocation of pianists and piano teachers featured guest artists from the High Plains.

Concerts were given by Marjorie Urban of Perryton, and Farrell Roberts of Clovis. Climaxing the national convention was a performance by Mark Antony Pair, professor of music at Wayland Baptist College, in Plainview.

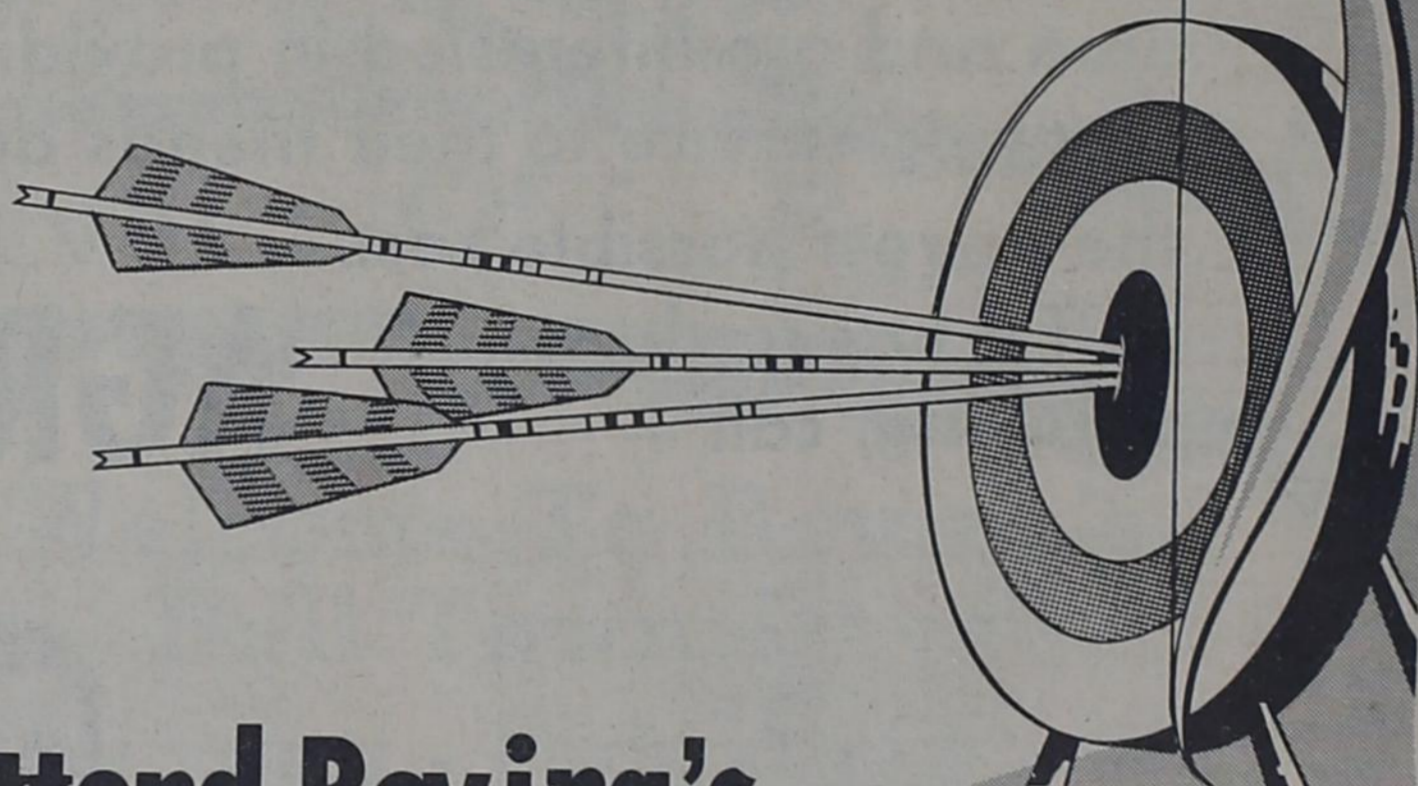
Attending from Bovina were Mrs. Jimmie Clements and Denise, and from Oklahoma Lane, Mrs. Donald Christian.

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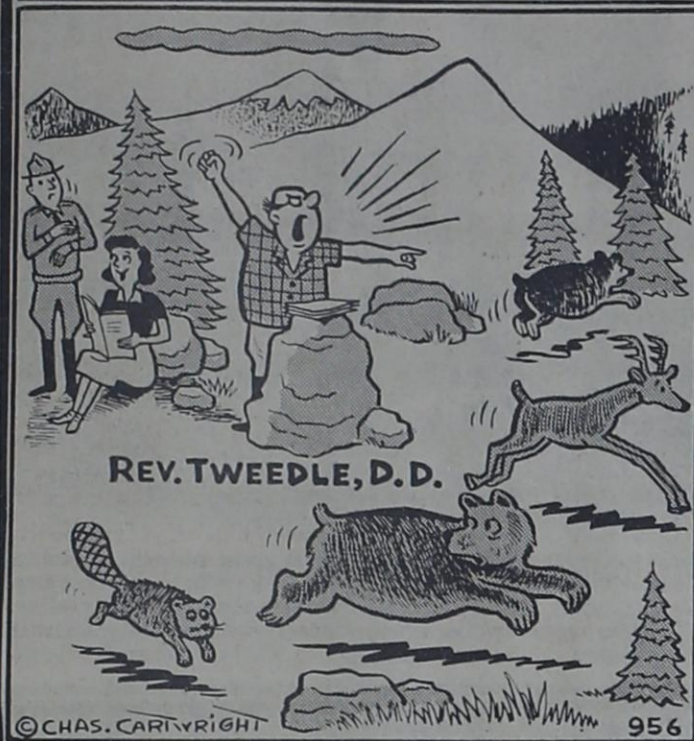
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This year, instead of returning to our homes and going our separate ways, let us add a fourth day to the celebration and attend the churches of the community on Sunday.

The fourth day of Bull Town Days might prove the most rewarding and enriching of all. We will meet old friends and make new ones as we attend the church of our choice. Perhaps we will even be reminded of the place of the Church and the Christian message in our lives and in the life of our community.

Surely we will be blessed if we reserve time to worship God from whose goodness we receive the blessings and abundance that we enjoy.

If you think that a fourth day is fitting, then attend the church of your choice this Sunday.

I will call to mind the deeds of the Lord; yea, I will remember thy wonders of old, I will meditate on all thy work, and muse on thy mighty deeds. Thy way, O God, is holy.

Psalms 77:11-13

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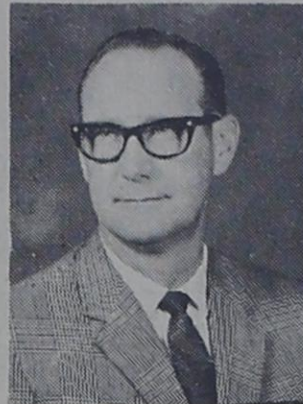
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Evening Worship - 7 p.m.



Rev. Ken Moore

WEDNESDAY - Teachers and Officers Meeting - 8 p.m.
Prayer Meeting - 8:30 p.m.

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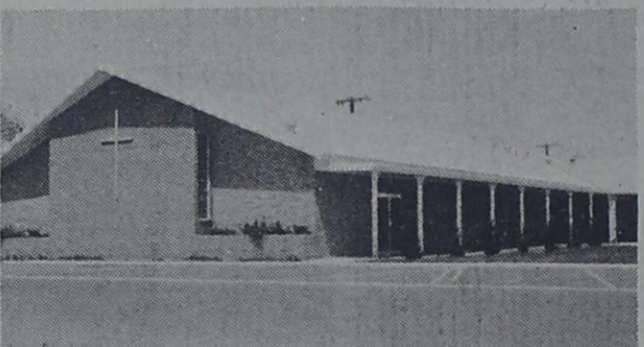
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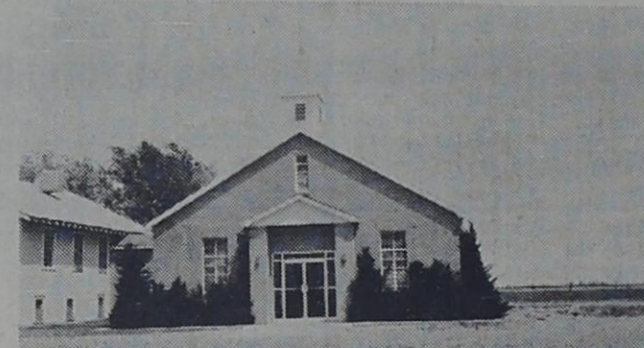
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Worship 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.



Mickey Patterson

WEDNESDAY
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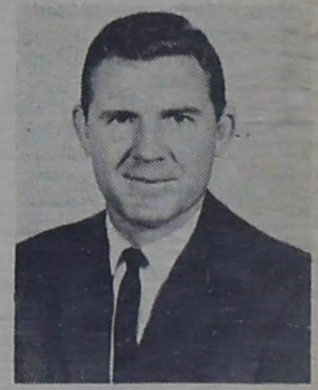
BOVINA METHODIST CHURCH



Bovina United Methodist Church

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Morning Worship - 11 a.m.

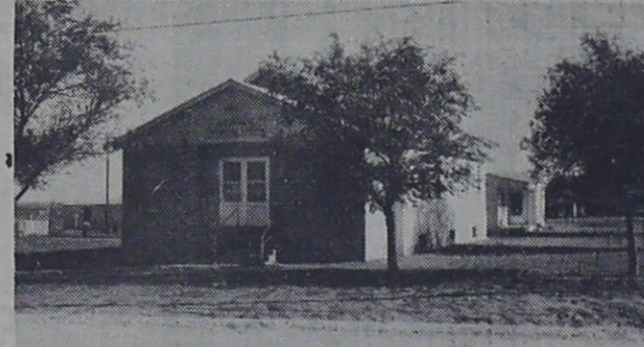
M.Y.F. - 6 p.m.
Evening Worship - 7 p.m.



J. B. Fowler, Jr.

Choir Practice -
Wednesday - 8 p.m.

BOVINA PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS CHURCH



Bovina Pentecostal Holiness Church

Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.

Evening Worship - 7 p.m.



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OATH OF OFFICE

Oath of office certificate for J. T. Hammonds, Commissioner of the City of Bovina, sworn to on April 7, 1969.

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Oath of office certificate for J. W. Kimbrow, Commissioner of the City of Bovina, sworn to on April 7, 1969.

OATH OF OFFICE --- These two oath of office certificates are, as near as can be determined, the only remaining records of Bovina's first city officials.

Rhineharts --

Continued from Page 3. Election was held. O. W. Rhinehart was elected mayor, with John Kimbrow and J. T. Hammonds serving as Bovina's first commissioners. One of the main reasons for incorporating Bovina was the reality of a city water system.

session. W. O. Cherry, now living in Lorenzo, was the first mayor of Bull Town, and these certificates are for two of the first city commissioners, J. T. Hammonds and J. W. Kimbrow.

gated," he said. "I wanted the mayor elected one year, the commissioners another." J. E. Sherrill was elected to fill the vacancy. In 1962, residents voted to change from commission form of city government to the aldermanic form. A story in the April 4 issue of The Blade read: "City of Bovina voters will decide 'for or against' changing form of city government from present city com-

mission form (three-man) to aldermanic (six-man) in a special election which will be held Saturday at American Legion Hall."

One week later, The Blade reported the results: "In a special election Saturday, voters approved changing form of government from city commission to alderman-type. A total of 140 votes were cast for change while 80 ballots were marked against the issue."

At this time, Emmett Tabor resigned as mayor, and C. R. Elliott finished his term. Then, under the new aldermanic form, Boyd Gilreath was elected mayor, with A. R. McCutchan, A. L. Glasscock, J. E. Sherrill, A. L. Kerby, and A. E. Crump comprising the aldermen.

Today, Bovina enjoys city water and sewerage facilities, and is officially a city. Presently serving as a governing body is Mayor Bedford Caldwell, and Aldermen Vernon Estes, Charles Corn, Billie Suderth, Lloyd Gober, and Vernon Willard.

And--no one has to chase cattle off the railroad tracks anymore.



THOSE WERE THE DAYS -- These young ladies are one of the first girls' basketball team to represent Bovina High School. These nattily-attired female athletes took to the courts in 1922-23. They are, left to right, Blanche McDonald, Bernice Lively, Joe Vassey, Lillian Ezell, Nanny Mary Ezell, and Mary McDonald. Standing behind is Coach Gladys Hicks. Styles such as this will be modeled at the Bull Town Days Ex-student banquet Saturday night in Bovina Schools Cafeteria.

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To Serve County --

Electric Co-Op Rep In Bovina

Sam Garrison, Farmer County representative for Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative, and his family moved into Bovina over the weekend. The Garrisons had lived nine miles southeast of town for the past few weeks until they recently purchased the former home of Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Rhinehart on Dimmitt Road and moved to town. Farmer Countians who need service from the electric co-

operative are asked to contact Garrison in Bovina. His phone number is 238-2651.

Garrison began his duties with the REC July 21. He came to this area from Perryton, where he had worked for the past eight years with North Plains Electric Cooperative.

The Garrisons have two children, a girl, 10, and a boy, who is seven.

Headquarters for the electric cooperative, which serves most of the rural area in Farmer County, is in Hereford. "We believe that our service in Farmer County will now be greatly improved with Mr. Garrison living and working in that area. We want to encourage our users who need service to call him in Bovina, day or night," James Hull, manager of the cooperative, says.

Variety Show --

(Continued from Page 1)

and Carl Harris. The Singing Notes, a group including Cindy Read, Tina Isaacs, Ute Blacklock, and Cathy Trimble will also perform.

Phil Sorley and Bruce Caldwell, Billy J. Charles and Ronny Dyer, and Vickie Kunselman and Linda Langford will blend their voices in duets. Tim and Verna Patton, of Dimmitt will also sing a duet.

Billie Sudderth is in charge of the can-can dance near the end of the extravaganza.

Jay Sherrill and Marion Trienen are stage managers, and will be assisted by several stage hands. These include Bob Fillpot, Lee Murphy, Lewis McDaniel, Mike Barraza, Pat Kunselman, and Kenneth Howard. Scenery was designed and painted by Billy Whitecotton, Janie Sudderth, and Skeet Caldwell.

Leonard Haney will be supervising admission to the show.

"We're having a ball doing this," stated Mrs. Barraza. She added that she was "real proud" of those helping with the show.

Additional back-stage help with costumes and make-up will come from Barbara Spears, Katie Stone, and Cella Brito.

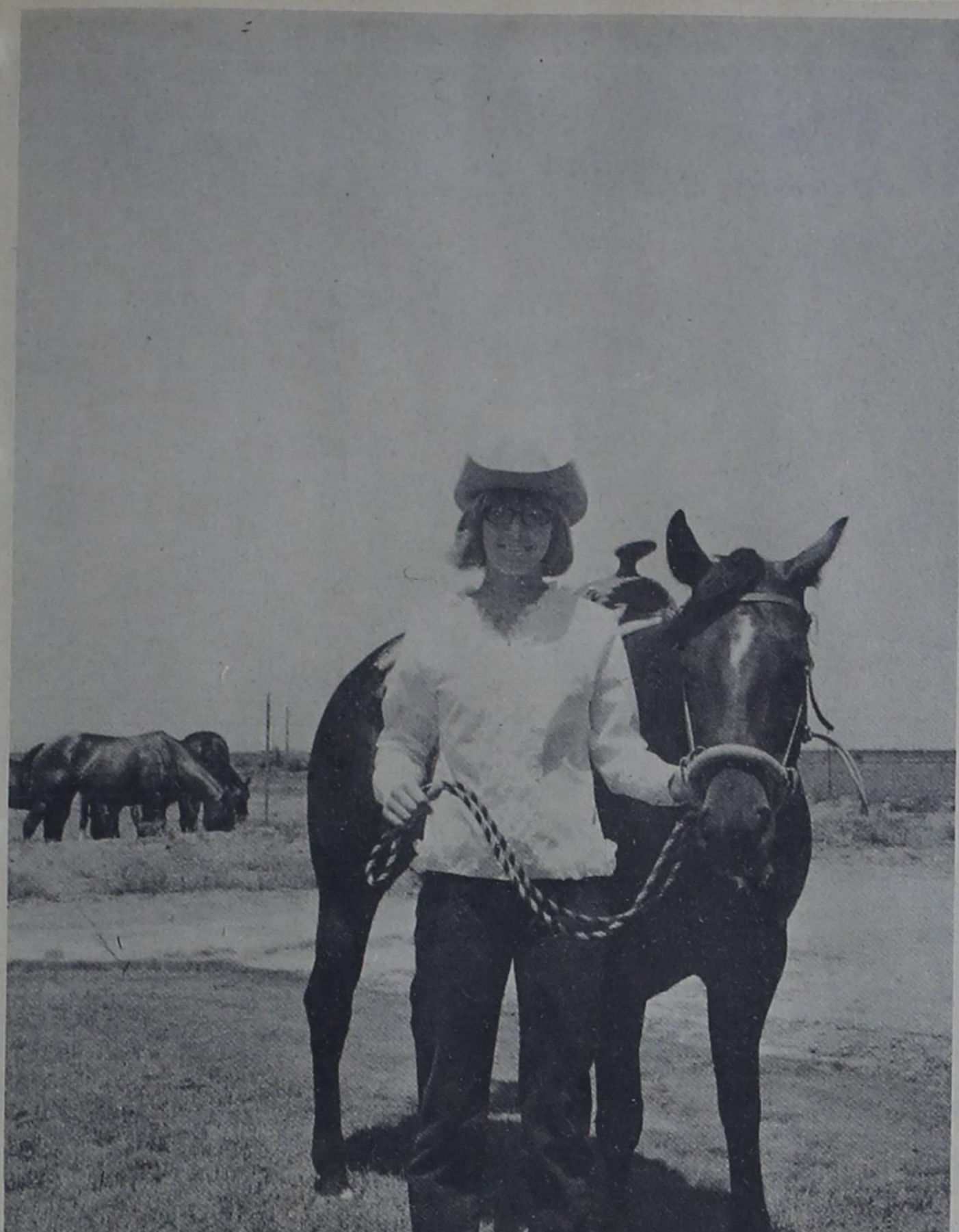
Routine Meeting For City Council

Bovina's City Council met last week in a regular monthly session.

"It was kind of routine," commented city secretary Mrs. Mary Ruth Martin.

Councilmen present included Vernon Willard, Lloyd Gober, Billie Sudderth, and mayor Bedford Caldwell.

The Council discussed city bills, and it was moved that all be paid.



BTD QUEEN CANDIDATE --- A sophomore in Bovina High School, Cindy Barrett will be competing for Bull Town Days Queen. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Monty Barrett, and is sponsored by Sherrill Lumber Co.



BTD QUEEN CANDIDATE --- Holly Davis is a candidate for Bull Town Days Queen. She is sponsored by The Bovina Blade and is a junior in Bovina High School. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Brooks Davis.

Quintana Begins Repair Training

Raymond Quintana, son of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Quintana, is currently employed at Swift and Co. in Denver, Colo.

He will begin body and fender repair classes at Automotive

and Diesel School on Sept. 8.

Quintana is a 1969 graduate of Bovina High School, and has been employed with Wilson's Super Market.

The VA usually can reply promptly if a veteran includes his "C" or file number when he writes.

Low-cost disability life insurance is available to qualified disabled veterans, reminds the VA.

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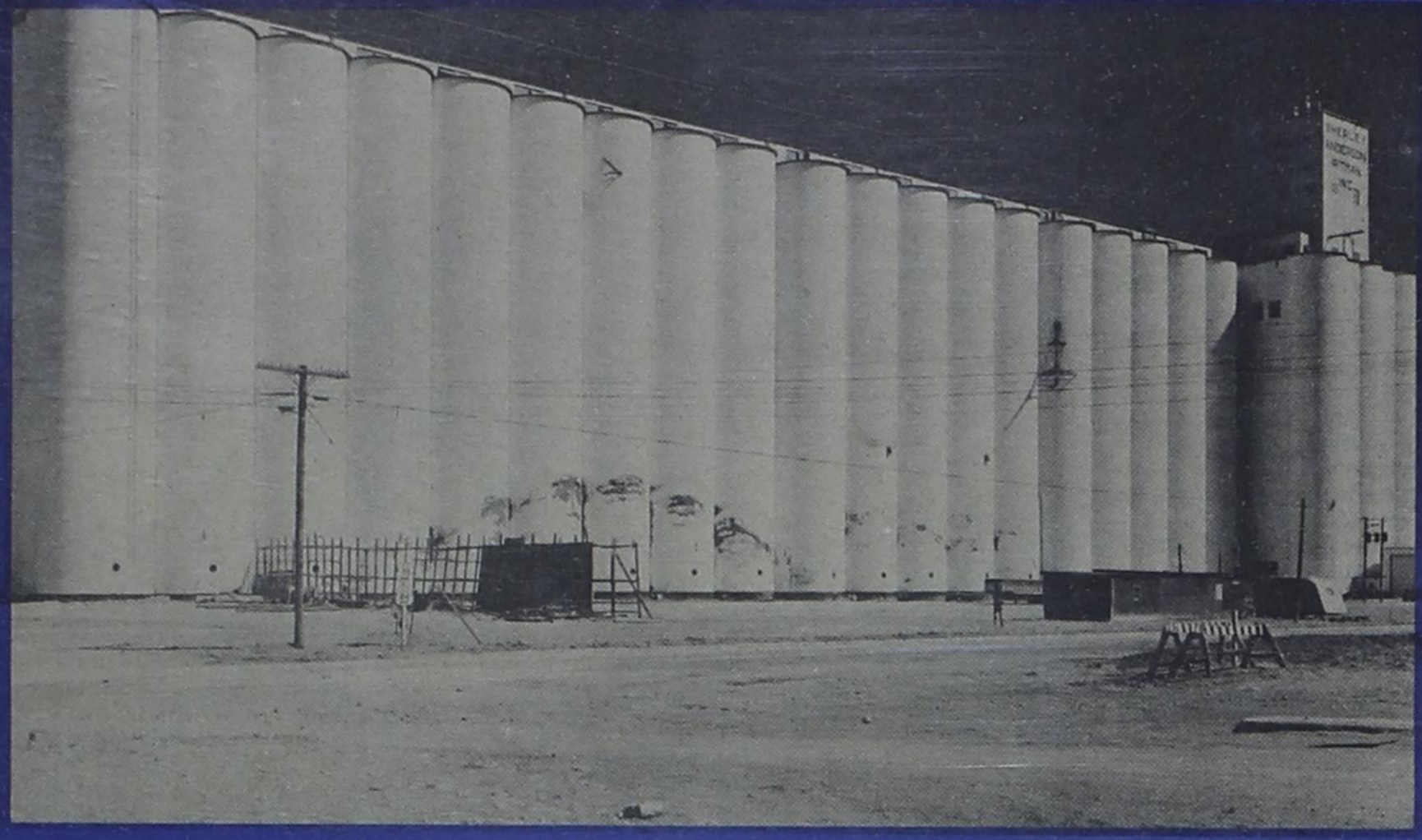
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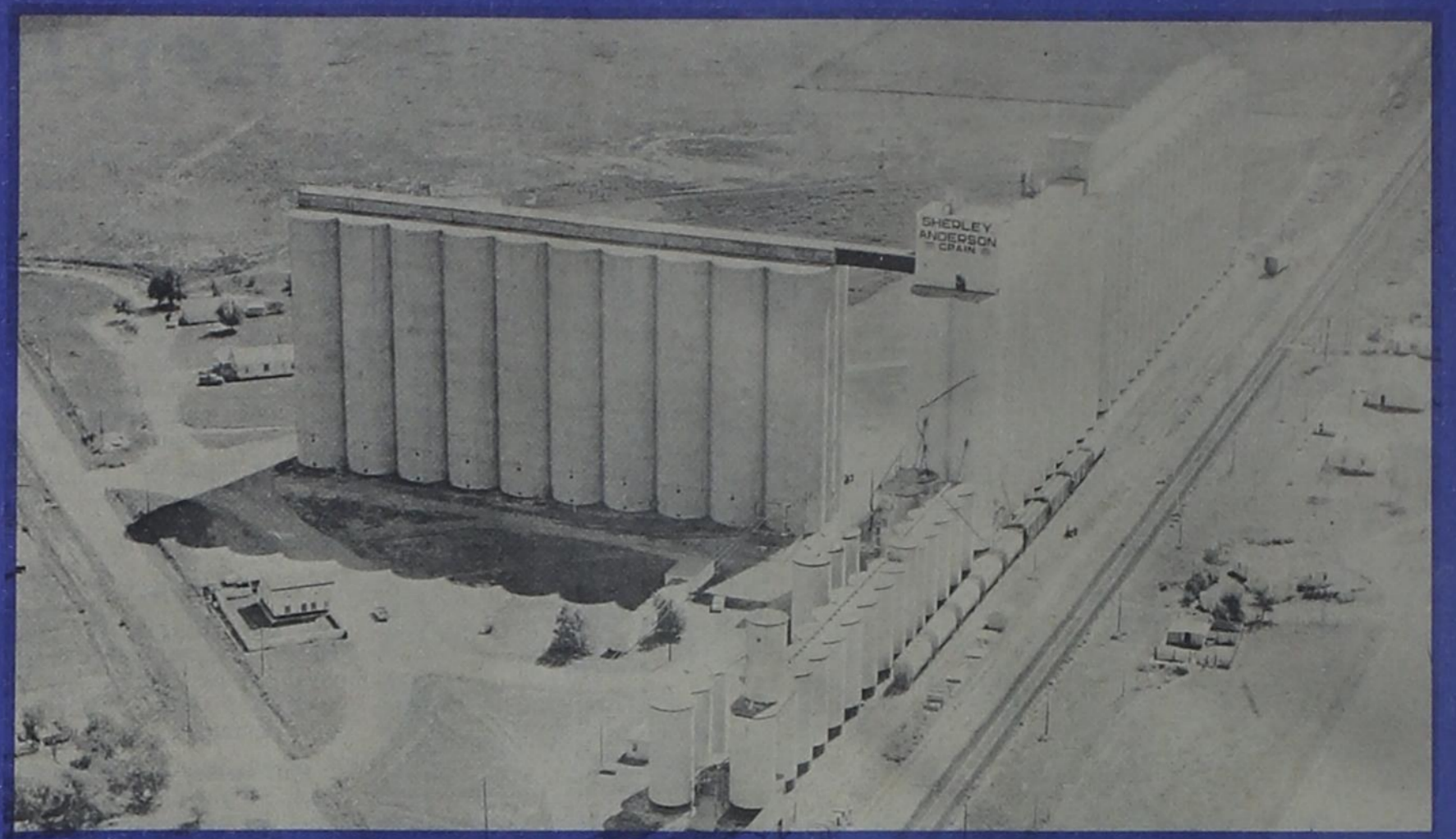
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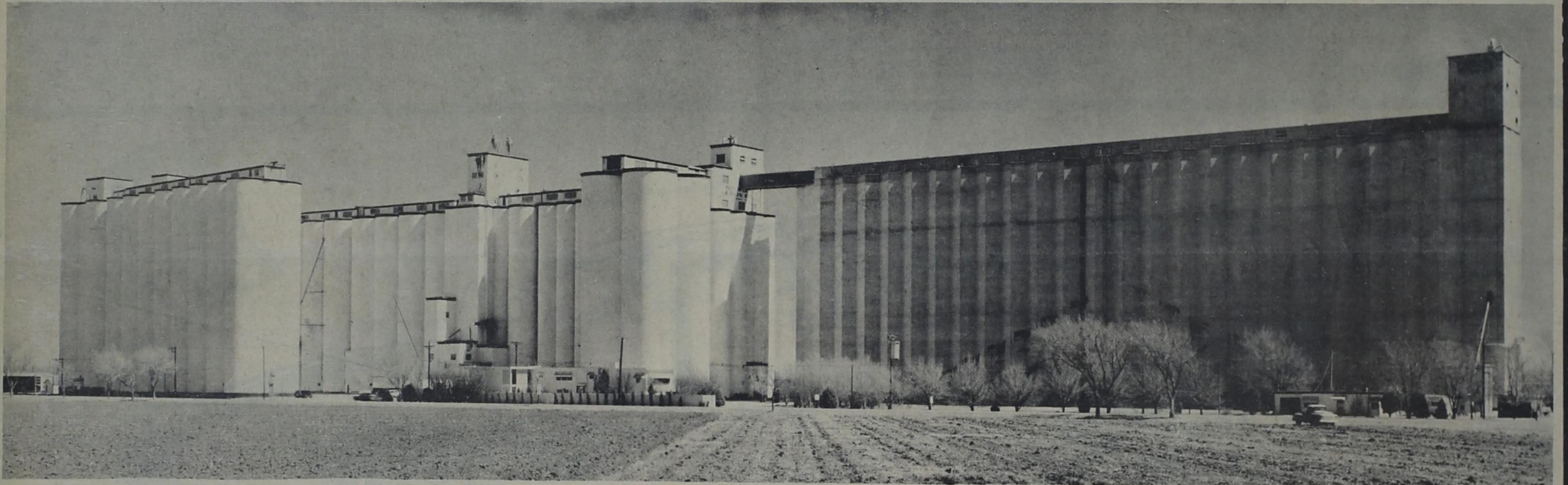
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