

IF IT'S NEWS IN BOVINA, YOU'LL FIND IT IN THE BLADE

The Bovina Blade

"In The Agricultural Center Of Parmer County"

THE NEWSPAPER THAT WORKS FOR A BIGGER, BETTER BOVINA

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4, 1961

BOVINA, TEXAS

VOL. VI, NO. 28

Bovina Men Die In Plane Crash

Funeral Services Here Wednesday Afternoon

Post-holiday tragedy struck this community Monday morning when word was received of the plane crash deaths of three Bovina men and a fourth who formerly worked in this area.

Dead are: D. C. Looney, 31, popular Bovina farmer and a resident of the community all his life; Don Tabor, 28, a graduate of Bovina High and a former Texas Highway Patrolman who had been in life insurance business in Dimmitt for past six months; Scott Berggren, 26, graduate of Bovina High who now lived in Clovis; and Charles Burke, 25, of Seymour, who had worked as a highway patrolman in this area with Tabor until a few months ago.

The plane crash occurred some three miles southwest of Fort Sumner, N.M., late Wednesday afternoon. The wreckage was found about mid-morning Monday by a Civil Air Patrol pilot of Clovis who was searching for the craft which was reported missing Saturday night.

The men were returning home from a hunting trip to a ranch operated by Scott Levins, formerly of Bovina, near Hatch, N.M.

They left here Tuesday morning and weren't expected home until Saturday. Bad weather caused them to cut their hunting trip short and they started home Wednesday. When they failed to return by Saturday, relatives became concerned and reported the plane, a four-place Piper Tri-Pacer, missing.

All the men were apparently killed instantly in the crash. The wreckage was near two highways leading from Fort

Sumner and a railroad. However, passersby had failed to notice it until it was discovered Monday.

Freezing weather was credited with causing the accident as the plane evidently became "iced up" and plunged to the ground.

Combined funeral services for Tabor, Looney, and Berggren were conducted at Bovina School Auditorium Wednesday at 3 p.m.

Officiating were Rev. John Ferguson, pastor of First Baptist Church in Bovina; Rev. Davis Edens, pastor of Bovina Methodist Church; and Rev. M.A. Smith, pastor of Dimmitt Baptist Church.

Burial was in Bovina Cemetery with Masonic graveside rites for Looney and Tabor.

Don Tabor was born at Dodson in Collingsworth County, June 9, 1932.

He was resident of Dimmitt for past two years. Prior to that time he served as a state highway patrolman in Dalhart for five years.

He was a Marine Corps veteran of the Korean War and a Bovina High School graduate.

Survivors include his wife, Elizabeth Ann; two sons, Michael Don, 7, and James Lee, 5; one daughter, Melinda Ann, 4; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Tabor of Bovina; and one brother, John, of Richardson.

State highway patrolmen served as pallbearers.

D.C. Looney was born in Clovis October 10, 1929. A graduate of school here, he attended New Mexico Military Institute.

Survivors are his wife, Mary; two sons, Craton, 11, and R.D., 8; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Reagan Looney; one brother,

Howard; one sister, June Gay McMeans; and a grandmother, Mrs. H.A. Nichols of Amarillo.

Pallbearers were Pat Kunselman, J.W. Wright, Billy Don Read, Scott Levin, Vernon Ward, and Charles Orr.

Alfred Scott Berggren was born in Parmer County, May 28, 1934. He was reared in Bovina area and was a graduate of Bovina High school. For past seven years he had lived in Clovis. At time of his death he was employed as a mechanic at Meadors-Stewart Co. there.

Survivors include his wife, Fay, and two daughters, Becky Lynn and Tammy Ann, of the home; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Berggren of Texico; one sister, Mrs. Johnabor of Dimmitt; two brothers, Dale of Olton and Davey of the same; and a grandfather, Alfred Berggren of Bovina.

Pallbearers were Max Meadors, Hal Sme, Clarence Charlton, W.D. Hadwick, Joe Moore, and Jimm Ware.

Serving as honorary pallbearers were Joe Stewart, Luther Widner, ack Woltman, Speedy Hamnk, Raymond Magness, Jack Atkins, and Dr. V. Scott Johns.

Funeral services for Burke will be conducted at Seymour, Claborn Memorial Home, Friona, and eed's Funeral Home, Clovis were in charge of arrangements.

Tabor and Burke were brothers-in-law.

The plane was owned by Tabor and Burke. A search for the missing plane began Monday. A false report that a man had refueled the one in Roswell Wednesday few searchers off course Sunday. However, it was

(Continued on page 6.)



DON TABOR



D. C. LOONEY



SCOTT BERGGREN

Pay \$35,000 In Parmer Co.

Texas railroads paid \$35,130 in taxes in Parmer county during 1959, according to the Texas Railroad Association.

That amount was the county's share of the nearly \$10,000,000 the railroads paid throughout the state.

In addition, of course, was the large total in taxes the railroads' approximately 40,000 Texas employees contributed on their own property. The vast majority of railroad workers, many of whom live in Parmer county, own their own homes.

The largest railroad contribution in Parmer county was for the support of education. The school tax for 1959 totaled \$22,843.

City and village taxes amounted to \$1,283, while the share of the county government's operating expenses paid for by the railroads totaled \$5,508. The road and bridge fund gained \$5,085 from the railroads in 1959. All other taxes brought the total for the county to \$35,130.

ENDS JAN. 15--

Pentecostal Church Conducting Revival

A two-week revival is now going on at Pentecostal Holiness Church in Bovina.

The series of services began last Sunday and will continue through Sunday, January 15, according to Rev. Paul Miller, pastor of the church.

Evangelists are Rev. Burt Miller, who is a former superintendent

of West Oklahoma Conference of Pentecostal Holiness Church. The pastor and the evangelist are not related.

Pastor Miller says the public is cordially invited to attend any or all of the services.

The revival is announced in an advertisement in this issue.



REV. BURT MILLER

LAST WEEKEND--

Mustangs, Fillies Win Tourney Trophy

Bovina's boys and girls basketball teams brought home trophies from delayed Friona invitational tournament last weekend.

Coach Hallie Gee's Mustangs won third place in their bracket. Coach Malcolm Kennedy's Fillies took consolation honors.

When the tournament was postponed in mid-December because of bad weather, each team had played one game with the Mustangs winning and the Fillies losing.

This sent the Mustangs down the top side of their bracket and the Fillies into consolation bracket of their.

In their semi-final game Friday, the Fillies slipped by Lazbuddie, 46-61. They took the consolation trophy with a 41-36 trouncing of Adrian Saturday afternoon.

The Lazbuddie game was close all the way. The teams were tied, 8-8, at end of first quarter. Bovina led 23-22 at half and 37-34 end of third quarter. Kay Looney, with 20 points, was Bovina's leading scorer.

Cynthia Patterson made 15 and Marilyn Brandon had 11.

The Fillies were in command of the Adrian game throughout though the losers did rally in final period. Patterson made 23 points in that game as Looney had 18.

The Fillies' season record was 7-5 following the tournament.

The Mustangs lost to Springlake, 53-38, in the semi-final game. Free throws proved to be Bovina's undoing as they made 10 of 26 while the Wolverines were racking up 23 of 33. Roger Ezell and Don Caldwell led scoring with 11 points each.

In the game which decided third place in the tournament, the Ponies rolled over Adrian, 47-39, as Caldwell hit 16 points and David Lawlis 13.

In the Lazbuddie tournament which the Ponies were in earlier in the season, they brought home a second place trophy.

Both boys and girls teams played at Anton Tuesday night. They will participate in a

tournament at Hale Center this weekend. Both teams begin action Thursday afternoon.

Stallions Take Tourney First

Bovina Stallions, outsiders' basketball team, helped keep Bovina's name on the basketball map last week as they won first place in a tournament at Springlake.

In taking the top spot, the Stallions won over strong Cotton Center, 65-58, in opening round of the tourney Monday night, Thursday night in semifinals they came from behind to edge Tulsa, 56-53. Bovina trailed, 17-32, at the halfway point in that game.

Muleshoe was the victim in the final game Friday night. Score was 54-45.

Members of the team who played in the tournament are Neil Smith, Darrell Read, Eddie Smith of Farwell, Erith Hawkins, Don Gerles of Farwell, Denny Ware, Jerry Strawn, Ronnie Isham, Ralph Kunselman, Raymond Hadley of Texico, and Jerry Burnett.

Smith, team manager, says no other games are scheduled but that he expects to line up other contests soon.

WEATHER BY WILLIE

Looks like a change in the weather this week end. --Willie

Mother Dies

Mrs. C. A. Clem, mother of Mrs. J. E. Sherrill, Jr., died suddenly December 29 of a heart attack.

She was a long time resident of Tahoka. Services were conducted at Tahoka.

FUNERAL THURSDAY--

Mrs. Ayres Dies Monday

Mrs. Bertha Mae Ayres, 71, a resident of Bovina area since 1916, died Monday at 11:45 p.m. in a Muleshoe hospital.

Mrs. Ayres had been a patient in the hospital for a week after being stricken by a heart attack while in Muleshoe on business.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Thursday in Bovina Church of Christ, Ebb Randol, minister of Farwell Church of Christ, will officiate. He will be assisted by Alfred White, minister of Bovina Church of Christ.

Mrs. Ayres was born March 14, 1889 in Brownwood. She moved to this area in 1916

and had been a resident here since that time.

She was preceded in death by her husband July 30, 1960. Survivors include two daughters, Mabel Ellison of Bovina, and Velva Turner of State Line, Calif.; one son, Wesley Ayres of Topeka, Kan.; one sister, Mrs. Jennie Shroyer of Ceres, Calif.; eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers will be Joe Pinner, Levi Johnson, Billy Marshall, Bud May, Billy Mayfield, and Lee Capps.

Burial will be in Bovina Cemetery with Claborn Funeral Home of Friona in charge.



ADMINISTERING OATH OF OFFICE to county officials who were elected in the recent primary and general elections is Parmer County Judge Loyde Brewer. The elected officials were sworn in at a ceremony Monday morning at the courthouse. Taking the oath are, from left to right, Hershell Harding, attorney; Guy Cox, commissioner of Precinct 3; Thomas Lewellen, commissioner of Precinct 1; and Chas. Lovelace, sheriff.

SATURDAY--

Morton Speaks To BHS Execs

Warren Morton, superintendent of Bovina Schools, was speaker at annual meeting of Bovina High Ex-Students Association Saturday night in school cafeteria.

The banquet was attended by some 35 people.

Entertainment was by Nils Person, school band director, who sang three songs, and The Starlighters, a duet composed of Kay Looney and Charlotte Hromas, who sang two selections. Mrs. Doris Wilson accompanied on piano.

J. T. Hammonds was master of ceremonies.

Gene Ezell, president of the

association, presided over a business session.

The group voted to have next year's banquet prior to homecoming football game next fall. Time and arrangements for that meeting will be announced later.

Lack of interest in the present set-up was reason for change in time. The meeting has been held first Saturday after Christmas for past several years. However, attendance has been decreasing each year. The change in meeting time was suggested by Ezell.

In other business, S.A. Barbee, Jr. was elected president for the coming year. Other officers

include Erry Rogers, vice president; Mrs. Erith Hawkins, secretary; Virgil Tritsch, treasurer; and Mrs. Pat Kunselman, program chairman.

Serv during the past year with ill were Don Owens, vice president; Millie Holden, program chairman; Mrs. Dolph Moten, decorations chairman; Mrs. Vernon Estes, foods chair; and Mr. and Mrs. Rouel Barron, secretary-treasurer.

Mor suggested that a student group in charge of next year's banquet meeting. Those present were in favor of this idea.

Take Oath Of Office

Two newly-elected members of the Parmer County Commissioners Court, and three re-elected county officials took their oaths of office at the Parmer County Courthouse in Farwell Monday morning.

Sworn in for the first time were Thomas Lewellen, commissioner of Precinct 1 (Friona), and Guy Cox, commissioner of Precinct 3 (Farwell).

The two new officials were present for the first traditional New Year's Day meeting of the Commissioners Court, as were the two commissioners they are replacing, E. G. Phipps of Friona and J. H. McDonald of Farwell.

It was a short meeting which included payment of bills and the approval of bonds for all the newly elected county of-

(Continued on page 6.)



SPEAKER--Superintendent Warren Morton, standing, was speaker at annual meeting of Bovina High Ex-Students Association Saturday night in school cafeteria. Others pictured, left to right are Glenn Hromas, N. J. T. Hammonds, J. T. Hammonds, and Mrs. Morton.

WHITTLIN' BY DOLPH MOTEN

For the most part, we didn't know the difference here, but December 26 Bovina customers of General Telephone Co. of Southwest began using a new numbering system.

The new system, according to a news release from R. E. "Bob" Saunders, General's district manager at Littlefield, went into effect on that date because that's when 1961 directories went into use.

Reason we say we made the change here without knowing about it is that the change was in paper only as far as we were concerned. Our old prefix, ADams, which we were just beginning to feel really at home with, was abandoned for the more modern "23." There's no difference, of course, as far as dialing is concerned.

According to Saunders' release, the new system is known as All Numerical Calling Plan (ANC). It replaces the more familiar two-letter five number (2LSN) system which was inaugurated when the telephone industry first launched its long-range program to permit operators and/or customers to dial direct from one city to another.

Each telephone number is now composed of seven digits instead of two letters and five numbers.

Tharp exchange made a change at same time. The prefix there, Baldwin, was dropped and number "22" added. Last five numbers remained the same both in Bovina and on Tharp.

Saunders points out the 2LSN system is being replaced as rapidly as possible in order that all number combinations appearing on telephone dial can be utilized.

"The old 2LSN system requires a prefix such as Cherry or Adams," he states, "However, because no words in English language begin with letter combination WX or WY or JK or JL, telephone numbers beginning with 99 or 55 could not be utilized, thereby limiting number assignments."

As the number of customers being assigned 2LSN numbers throughout the nation increased, necessity of using all possible number combinations on the dial also increased.

"In some areas," Saunders says, "we are running out of possible letter prefixes."

As a result of this realization, a study was undertaken in Wichita Falls to determine whether assigning seven digit telephone numbers proved satisfactory to customers and operators. Conclusion of the extensive study was that the ANC Plan not only was satisfactory, but even eliminated some previous dialing errors resulting from confusion between the numeral "1" and the letter "I" and numeral "zero" and the letter "O."

Saunders' release didn't say so but we suppose this will eventually do away with letters on telephone dial. Seems to us they'll have no purpose to serve from here on.

We noticed in the new phone book which was mentioned earlier here that Friona kept its four digit system which it used all during the time we were going through that ADams 8 business in Bovina.

That's all right with us, but we don't understand why our neighbor to the northeast gets to keep those easy-to-remember, uncomplicated numbers while they've changed us around as often as a Republican trades automobiles. We're not complaining, we just don't understand.

General's new directory showed Bovina's growth to a certain extent, also. Bovina's space in the new directory, which serves Earth, Springlake, Friona, and Muleshoe and surrounding rural areas, has increased over a year ago just as it has each year for the past several.

According to our "countmate" which certainly could have been

(Continued on page 6.)

We've Finished Our Inventory . . . And Have Decided To Try To Stay Another Year

- DRY GOODS - SHOES - SHOP IN SOON!

WILLIAMS MERCANTILE CO.

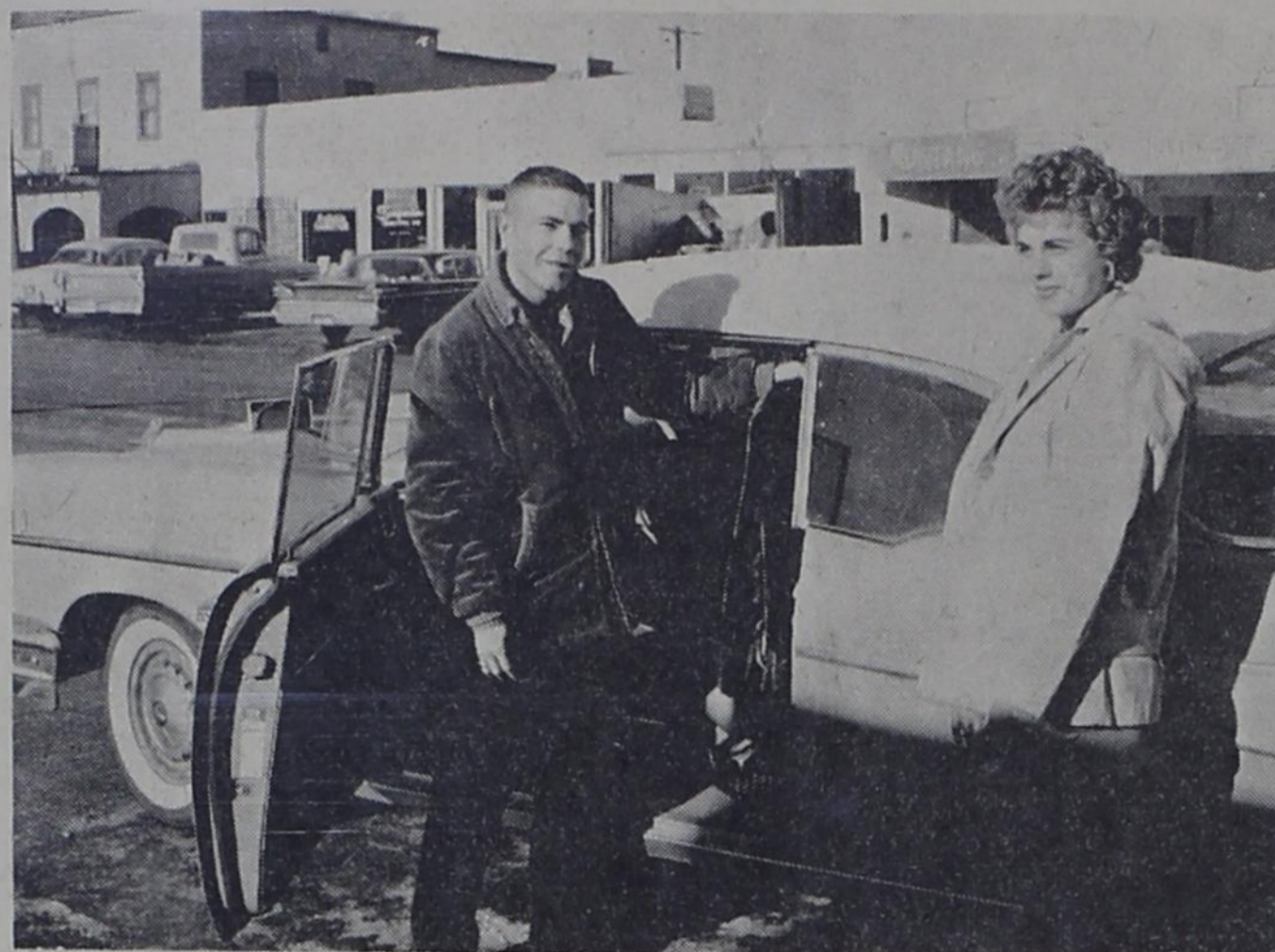
"Pioneers
In
Bovina"



The Bovina Blade

Second-Class Privileges - Authorized at Bovina, Texas
Published at Bovina, Texas, Every Wednesday.

Dolph Moten Publisher & Editor
Sue Moten Women's News



OFF TO THE COTTON PICKIN' COTTON BOWL--Mr. and Mrs. Nell Smith left here Saturday for Dallas and Monday's Cotton Bowl Football game between Arkansas and Duke. Smith won the trip in a contest sponsored by Bovina businesses in The Blade. His prize consisted of 40-yard line tickets to the game, paid reservations at Statler-Hilton Hotel, and \$55 in expense money. "We certainly want to express our appreciation to the businesspeople who made the trip possible," Smith said. Firms sponsoring the contest were Macon Elevator, Bonds Oil Co., Bovina Wheat Growers, Inc., Gaines Hardware Co., Sherley Grain Co., Three-Way Chemical Co., Charles Oil Co., Farmer County Farm Supply, Cicero Smith Lumber Co., and First National Bank of Bovina.

Blade
Sawdust
by
SUE MOTEN

While returning from our Christmas holiday we were discussing the fact that the Blade was sent to several states and decided to see just how many. While looking through the files I found that it goes to 22 states and one foreign country.

Several people in California subscribe to the Blade, W.H. Allen is receiving the Blade in Florida from E.H. Young; Dr. Jack Barnett, Pennsylvania, courtesy of Willie Williams; D.L. Bandy, Oregon; several in Oklahoma; New York, Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico, and Missouri; Mrs. N.D. Glickman, New Jersey; Rev. Virgil Goodwin, South Dakota; Charles Harberson, Ohio; Kentucky, Washington D.C., Lyndon Johnson; Illinois, R.W. Lane; Minnesota, Maryland, G.W. Mayhen; Louisiana, Mrs. J.C. Rhinehart; Arkansas, Rev. George Small, courtesy of Willie Williams; Nebraska, Matt J. Trienen, courtesy of Nick Trienen; Virginia, Sam A. Young; and Billy Burnam, Germany.

I mentioned a few days before Christmas that people in central Texas cut their own trees. Well that is nothing on people from West Texas. It seems that the Bob Wilsons cut their own tree this year and from their own front yard. Aletha said it was the prettiest tree they had ever had.

Here's another story on the Christmas girl, Candy Turner. It seems she was visiting the Warren Embrees Christmas Eve and Mr. Embree asked her if she was 'anxious for Santa's visit, she replied "No, she wasn't anxious she just couldn't stand it." I feel sure he visited her since she truly possessed the Christmas spirit.

Was looking through a hair style book the other day and understand why the hat salesmen are complaining about women's hair styles. What with the bee hive, which is about three feet tall, and the bubble which makes the hair real fluffy there just isn't any room left on a woman's head to place a chapeau. The thing that mystifies me is how the women who wear these elaborate coiffures are able to comb them. I realize that most women's hair resembles a bee hive early in the morning, but how do they retain that superb appearance all through the day?

Local

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Rogers recently were Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Watson and daughters of Hereford.

Visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Bradshaw, during the holidays was Miss Dyaltha Bradshaw of Denver, Colo.

Max Gilreath, son of Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Gilreath, is hospitalized in Littlefield with pneumonia. He is reported to be in fair condition.

MAIL HURTS--

Bank Deposit Under 1959

Bank deposits here were slightly up December 31 over the call of October 3, Warren Embree, president of First National Bank of Bovina, announces.

\$1,266,374.72 as of October 3. Deposits this year were, however, less than this time a year ago. At end of 1959, deposits totaled \$1,853,735.02.

Embree figures the decrease was due to hail damage during crop growing season.

"I think hail caused deposits to be down here possibly as much as half a million dollars," the bank president says.

Loans this year were up over '59. This year's total was \$475,807.34 as compared with \$451,269.34 a year ago.

The bank's official statement of condition will appear in next week's issue of The Blade.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Sir:

Please send me the Bovina Blade for a year. We have moved and would like to keep up with the news around the old hometown.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Elmer Lowrie
Wheeler, Texas

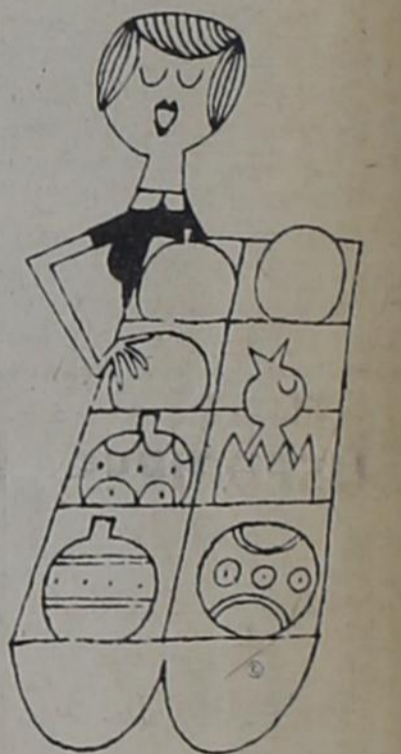
Congratulations

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Burge of Clovis announce the birth of a five pound baby girl born Saturday, December 24, at Cannon Air Base Hospital. The infant is named Lori Lee. She is the great-niece of Mr. and Mrs. J.P. Macon of Bovina.

"Brothers," said the preacher, "The subject of my sermon today is liars." "How many in this congregation have read the 35th chapter of Matthew?"

Nearly all the hands in the congregation went up. "You are just the people I want to talk to. There is no such chapter."

Suzy Secretary Sez



A COLUMBIA RIBBON & CARBON FEATURE

I store my Christmas ornaments in old cardboard egg cartons.



Jan. 1, 1863—President Lincoln signed the Emancipation Proclamation.

Jan. 9, 1929—"The Seeing Eye" was incorporated to train guide dogs for the blind.

Jan. 12, 1896—The first X-ray photograph was made at Davidson College, N. C.

Jan. 23, 1909—Radio telegraph first used to save lives on a sinking ship, the S.S. Republic.

Learn from the mistakes of others. You haven't time to make them all yourself.

PHILLIPS 66 MAKE A B B B B B B B B PHILLIPS 66

(Bee Line) To The Swell Service & Products At . . . STEVENS '66' SERVICE STATION

-Highway 60 And Third Street-
Dealer Of Phillips Tires, Batteries, Accessories

Class Of '56 Has Reunion

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Rogers hosted a class reunion for Bovina High graduating class of 1956 Saturday evening in their home.

Chips, dips, Cokes and coffee were served to guests.

Co-hostesses for the occasion were Mrs. Erith Hawkins, Mrs. Glenden Sudderth and Mrs. Dolph Moten.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Walters of Santa Barbara, Calif., Mr. and Mrs. A. R. McCormick, Jr., of Clovis, Mr. and Mrs. Glenden Sudderth, Mr. and Mrs. Dolph Moten, Mr. and Mrs. Erith Hawkins and the hosts.



Don't get caught with your oil down this year.

That's good advice - make a resolution to drive in and let us give your car a "regular" check-up. It will add miles for economy and greater driving pleasure during the coming year.

Phillips 66

TIRES, BATTERIES
And Accessories



Northside 66 Service

CHARLES OIL CO.

Big Enough To Accommodate
Small Enough To Appreciate
AD 8-4321

BOVINA TEXAS

Visit Relatives

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Rogers visited her relatives in Sayerton over the holidays. They visited her mother, Mrs. R.O. Gibson, their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lavo Rogers, and his relatives, Mr. and Mrs. J.P. Rogers.

Wilson's Host Bridge Party

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Wilson entertained guests in their home Thursday evening with a bridge party.

Seasonal decorations graced the home at serving table. Chips, dips, coffee, Cokes, cake and candy were served to guests.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Durward Bell, Jr. and Mrs. Don Sides, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Thornton, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Estes, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Rea and the hosts.

Wares Entertain Bridge Club

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Ware entertained members of Couples Bridge Club Tuesday evening with a New Year's party.

A buffet cold dinner was served from a table laid with a holiday cloth and graced with a New Year's arrangement.

Guests of honor were Mr. and Mrs. Don Van of White Deer and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne McCutchan.

Others attending were Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Clemen, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Willard, Mr. and Mrs. Don Sides, Miss Mrs. Leon Ware, Mr. and Mrs. Oakley Stevenson and the hosts.

Has Surgery

Mrs. H.J. Charles underwent surgery Wednesday at Farmer County Community Hospital in Friona. She is reported to be doing well.

Mrs. Estes Has Coffee

Mrs. Vernon Estes entertained last Thursday with a seasonal coffee in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Charles.

Approximately 30 guests called throughout the morning.

The serving table was laid with a white cloth and adorned with a seasonal centerpiece. Coffee, tea and coffee cake were served from silver and crystal appointments.

Other decorations throughout the house carried out the Christmas theme.

Quilting Club Has Party

Mrs. H. D. Bradshaw hosted the annual Christmas party for members of Quilting Club December 15 in her home.

Gifts were exchanged and secret pals revealed. Names were drawn for secret pals for the coming year.

Coffee, tea and cake were served to guests. Holiday decorations adorned the serving table and the home.

Members will be notified of the next meeting.

Attending were Mrs. Mel Gunn, Mrs. E. H. Moody, Mrs. J. E. Owens, Mrs. Reagan Looney, Mrs. Levi Johnson, Mrs. J. R. Caldwell, Mrs. Tom Griffith and Mrs. C. P. Warren.

Party Fetes Joe Jones

Joe Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. J.T. Jones, was feted with a birthday party Wednesday, December 21, in the home of his parents.

Birthday cake, Cokes and hot chocolate were served to guests.

Present were Max Glasscock, Ronnie Sudderth, Jimmy Wright, Pat O'Brien, Letecia Lindbar, Linda Cruze, Vickie Strawn, Linda Gilbreath and the honoree.

Class Of '59 Has Party

Miss Barbara Taylor hosted a class reunion for Bovina graduating class of 1959 last Friday in her home.

Refreshments of chips, dips, coffee, tea and cokes were served to guests. Traditional holiday decorations adorned the house and serving table.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Don Gonzales, Nicky Woelfel, Nancy Cumpston, Mildred Young, Janice Richards, Don Bandy, Donald Jones, Kent Glasscock, Deane Rea and James Lawlis.

Visit Willards

Mr. and Mrs. Don Vance visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Willard during the New Year's holiday. The Vances are former residents of Bovina and currently reside in White Deer.

Visit Family

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Williams over the holidays were their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Denny Williams of Dallas, and their daughter and family, Rev. and Mrs. George Small and girls of Fayetteville, Ark.

Rev. Small conducted services at Methodist Church Sunday.

NEW STOCK OF AC OIL FILTERS AND SPARK PLUGS

... Primarily For Tractors & Industrial Engines
Get Your Supply Here

P. A. G. Sorghum Dealer

Now Booking Orders For '61 Planting

PERSONALIZED BUTANE SERVICE
Phone AD8-2161



The Farmer's Friend
Highway 60
Bovina
AD8-2161

Griffiths Have Family Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Griffith hosted Christmas dinner for several members of their family Christmas Day.

Traditional Christmas dishes were served to guests.

Attending were Mrs. Carl Wasenmiller and Robert and Mrs. Evelyn Bender and Mr. G. E. Bender of Higgins, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Ezell and family of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Horn and son of Amarillo, Mrs. Della Ezell and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Ezell.

Visiting with the Griffiths during the New Year holiday were Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Laymen and daughters of Amarillo.

Coffee Fetes Mrs. Don Sides

Mrs. Jim Hemke hosted a surprise coffee honoring Mrs. Don Sides Tuesday, December 20, in her home.

Refreshments of coffee, sweet rolls, cookies and candy were served from a table graced with a holiday cloth and featuring a seasonal centerpiece.

Guests included Mrs. Euell Hart, Mrs. Durward Bell, Mrs. Pearl Singleterry, Mrs. Jimmy Clements, Mrs. Bob Wilson, Mrs. Oakley Stevenson, Mrs. Mack Ragsdale and the honoree.

Visit Parents

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Sparks and family and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Johnston and Linda spent the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Sparks' parents Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Dial of San Bernardino, Calif.

While there they toured Disneyland, Marineland, Santa's Village, and took an ocean tour.

REVIVAL TIME!

Pentecostal Holiness Church -BOVINA-

Our Evangelist,
Rev. Burt Miller
Pastor,
Paul Miller

Now In Progress
Continues Thru
January 15

Public
Cordially
Invited



REV. BURT MILLER
former Pentecostal Holiness
Superintendent of West Oklahoma Conference, 5 years.



if . . . you have been looking for a reliable dry cleaner who will:

... give your clothes the expert, individual care they deserve

... extend prompt, courteous service and take a personal interest in seeing that you are satisfied with every garment cleaned

Then YOU'RE for us . . . and WE'RE for you!

Come in . . . soon!



--Bovina--

BOWLING IS FUN!

Win a free game by getting a strike when blue pin is head pin on Wednesday

Bowl For Health At
Friona Lanes

Phone 3831 Friona

THE HIGH PLAINS FARM AND HOME

Few Farm Changes Expected In 1961

As Farmer County farmers begin making preparations for the new year, 1961, few changes are anticipated in the farm program which has governed operations during the past several years.

The wheat allotment for county farmers is about the same as it was in 1960, the cotton acreage has been increased by 1 per cent, and the number of acres to be devoted to vegetables and other minor cash crops will probably vary only slightly from last year.

That is the way the farm picture appears at the moment, as a new Democratic administration prepares to take over the reins of the government in Washington--an administration that most likely will attempt to bring about some sweeping changes in the farm program.

Even though some changes in the farm program are inevitable in the near future, there is only a remote possibility that governmental action will have any major effect on agriculture this year.

Congress did convene in Washington this week and it could bring some surprises on the farmer, even though it does seem unlikely.

One of these surprises could be legislation on sugar beets, a crop that has been the topic of much discussion in this area during the past several months.

Ever since the U.S. government severed relations with Cuba, the country which

has been supplying this nation with much of its sugar, a concentrated effort has been under way to open the door for production of beets in this area.

Chances are considered good that there will be some sugar beet acreage allotments for the county, but whether or not any action will come about in time for this year remains to be seen.

If the growing of sugar beets in Farmer County is to be started this year, action on the present Sugar Act will have to be forthcoming from congress at an early date.

Like last year, wheat in the area is off to a good start because of the moisture base provided by recent rains and snows.

The wheat crop in '60 was a good one, in spite of some hail damage, and farmers are naturally hopeful that this year's crop will also be a good one.

Right now, there is optimism about the wheat and prospects could hardly be brighter.

Grain sorghum will once again figure heavily in the plans of county farmers and prospects are about the same as in the past. The price of this feed grain has gone about as low as it possibly can and farmers have proven that they can continue to produce high yields year after year.

There was widespread hail damage to grain sorghum this past year, but even so, production hit another all time high in excess of 22 million bushels.

One change that could possibly come about in the production of this major cash crop could be a support price. If this were done, it would naturally

result in acreage restrictions with the result being a big change in the farming program for this area.

However, any action such as this would have to come from congress and it is considered highly unlikely for this year. The past two years have been poor ones for cotton, largely due to lengthy spells of cold, wet weather, and 1961 can hardly be worse. It should be much better.

Cotton acreage in the county has been increased from 42,500 acres to almost 48,000 acres. A more agreeable growing season than what farmers have had the past two years could make this one of the best cotton crops in some time.

Vegetables are always a gamble, but they will once again figure heavily into the plans of some area farmers.

Everything considered, 1960 was a little better year for vegetable men than some of the previous ones, even though it wasn't a "really big" one. There may be a few more acres planted into vegetables this year than last, but acreage is not expected to be increased greatly.

There are many factors which can make for either a "hit" or a "miss" in vegetable farming and that's why it's impossible to estimate just what one can expect from such crops as potatoes, cantaloupes, carrots and onions.

It has been several years since vegetable men had a really outstanding year, and that's why some farmers think this just might be the year to "hit."

Cattle feeding is a practice that has been increasing during the past couple of years and this trend is expected to continue in spite of the fact that cattle prices appear to be on the downgrade.

Due to the surplus of grain sorghum and the low market price, more farmers will start feeding the grain and marketing it in this manner.

Everything considered, the year 1961 at the moment is shaping up as another average year, with the possibility of some improvements over the past two.

Unless the weather is unusually cooperative, or congress comes up with some sudden changes in the overall farm program, the year 1961 will probably vary only slightly from what farmers have become accustomed to.

All nations report more women working, each year. Looks like the menfolks are going back to the method used by the American Indians.

State	SORGHUM GRAIN				Production	
	Yield Per Acre		Production		Preliminary	
	Average 1949-58	1959	Preliminary 1960	Average 1949-58	1959	1960
Ind.	36.4	58.0	55.0	339	1,000 Bushels	825
Ill.	1/51.7	47.0	52.0	242		520
Iowa	1/39.6	55.0	55.0	3,127		2,145
Mo.	26.2	50.0	49.0	7,084		24,353
S. Dak.	17.9	21.0	36.0	1,841		5,760
Neb.	24.0	45.5	50.0	20,454		59,423
Kans.	19.2	38.0	37.0	55,006		137,082
Va.	1/32.0	32.0	39.0	1/ 318		192
N. C.	27.6	33.0	37.0	1,660		3,488
S. C.	18.6	23.0	24.0	778		391
Ga.	1/19.9	25.0	24.0	1/ 632		975
Ky.	1/35.0	45.0	45.0	1/ 959		1,215
Tenn.	23.6	32.0	31.0	665		1,248
Ala.	18.1	25.0	25.0	562		825
Miss.	19.4	31.0	30.0	399		750
Ark.	20.5	28.0	28.0	1,262		682
La.	23.6	34.0	34.0	155		272
Okla.	15.0	27.0	31.0	11,790		19,840
Texas	24.6	38.0	40.0	133,416		288,520
Colo.	13.5	23.0	24.0	5,369		9,913
N. Mex.	17.8	40.0	42.0	5,231		8,900
Ariz.	47.5	58.0	60.0	3,788		5,568
Calif.	49.3	63.0	65.0	7,583		18,270
U. S.	22.6	37.2	40.4	261,008		579,178

SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT NEWS



Local Soil Conservation Service Personnel Attended a Civil Defense Radiological Monitoring Training Session at Pampa on December 13-14th and 15-16th.

Bob Crozier attended the December 13 and 14th session and Jay Sanders and Bill Liston attended the December 15 and 16th session. Two sessions were held so that the work unit offices could be kept open.

The Friona work unit is one of 9 Panhandle units that received this training. This training was given so that local SCS employees could monitor fallout in case of an atomic attack or a peacetime atomic accident.

Other nearby Soil Conservation Service monitoring locations are Spearman, Wellington, Fallett, Pampa, Dumas, Dimmitt, Hereford, Claude and Silverton. Radiological monitoring instruments are to be delivered to the local work units within the next few months. These will consist of a low range survey meter, the Geiger counter, to monitor food, water, personnel, vehicles and utilities. A medium range survey meter and a high range survey meter to monitor fallout which will also be delivered. Radiological fallout can only be detected with instruments as it cannot be seen, felt, heard, smelled or tasted.

Some of the subjects studied at the training session were nuclear weapons, nuclear physics, fallout and fallout plotting, personnel protection, decontamination, and instrument operation. Practice exercises using the Geiger counter and medium range survey meter were participated in to familiarize everyone with the use of the instruments. A source of radioactive Cobalt-60 was used in these exercises.

Another practical demonstration using radioactive phosphorus was given to show how food can be decontaminated.

Other Federal agencies besides the Soil Conservation Service that have local monitoring stations such as this are the Federal Aviation Agency, the Weather Bureau, The Air Weather Service, Department of Interior, and the Forest Service.

Water Election To Be Tuesday

A district director and one county committeeman will be elected next Tuesday, January 10, to serve with the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District.

John Gammon of Friona is the only candidate for the post of district director, and the five candidates for county committeeman-at-large are Wayne Garth, Friona; Walter Kalt-

wasser, Farwell, Raymond Schueler, Friona, Gene Smith, Muleshoe; and A. B. Wilkinson, Residents of Commissioner's Precinct No. 4 will vote for either D. B. Ivy, Friona; or Joe B. Jennings, Muleshoe.

Polling places in the county are the Wilson and Brock Real Estate Office, Bovina; County Courthouse, Farwell; City Hall, Friona; and the School House in Lazbuddie.

Fruits and vegetables can be decontaminated by washing and peeling. Canned and packaged foods can be washed to remove the contamination then opened and eaten. Fallout, although dangerous, especially if eaten, can be removed as dust can be removed. Things will not become radioactive from the fallout. Induced radiation, when an object itself becomes radioactive, only occurs in the immediate blast area.

The Friona work unit is one of 3000 Federal fixed monitoring stations set up throughout the nation. In case of an atomic attack or peacetime atomic accident monitored information is to be forwarded to the Regional Civil Defense office at Denton, Texas. The regional and National Civil Defense centers will use this information to plot fallout patterns and to make a national damage assessment study. The Regional Civil Defense office can then recommend local evacuations, if practical, to uncontaminated or less contaminated areas. With the monitored information, the length of time necessary to stay in fallout shelters until radioactivity has decayed to a safe level can also be predicted.

Other Federal agencies besides the Soil Conservation Service that have local monitoring stations such as this are the Federal Aviation Agency, the Weather Bureau, The Air Weather Service, Department of Interior, and the Forest Service.

Farwell Sr. 4-H Boys

BY LARRY FLOWERS Reporter

We met December 20 to elect officers for 1961. President elected was Doyle Johnson; vice-president, Mike Robertson; secretary, Larry Gregory; reporter, Larry Flowers; pledge leader, Mike Camp, and Michael Watkins is council delegate.

Mr. Joe W. Jones talked to us about what we could give method demonstrations on, Doyle Johnson and Michael Watkins are going to give a demonstration on Soil Conservation at our next meeting.

We have planned on Saturday January 21, to have a calf-tour. Our meetings will be, the third Tuesday of each month. We planned our next 3 meetings and the Tour.

Wanted-All Your Shoe Repair
SKINNER'S
Clovis Boot Shop
308 Pile Clovis, New Mex.

Plains Bucks Population Trend

As the year 1960 comes to its end, population trends in Texas confirmed by the Federal decennial census have now been given some study and evaluation.

What the findings in general add up to are that the thinly-populated, open-country areas of the State are becoming even more thinly populated while more people are flocking to counties which already are thickly populated.

Over-all, in round numbers, the total Texas population increased from 7,700,000 in 1950 to 9,500,000 in 1960, a rate of growth amounting to 23 per cent against the national increase of 17 per cent. Only two states outstripped the 1,800,000 gain in Texas; California, which had an increase of about 5,000,000, and Florida, which grew by slightly more than 2,000,000.

But despite the over-all gain in Texas, 144 out of the State's 254 counties showed losses in population. This was an approximate follow-up of trends established in the decade from 1940 to 1950, with the losses in total population confined largely to counties which have no sizeable towns or cities and which offer little in the way of industry.

However, there were some exceptions to the movement away from rural counties. Some of these counties, mainly in West Texas and in the Panhandle, showed steady gains in population.

In general, these were counties which have developed farming by irrigation, are devoted largely to cotton and grain cultivation, and have resources of oil and gas.

Three of the older, comparatively thickly-settled counties showed the heaviest losses in population. These were Lamar County in North-east Texas, which lost 9,000 during the decade, Hill and Fannin counties in the old Blackland Belt, which lost 8,000 and 7,600 respectively. Then there were Rusk, Red River, Navarro, Cherokee, Falls and Limestone counties, all of which had losses of at least 5,000.

The trend of the past two decades projects an outlook something along these lines: Rural counties that are in fairly close range of future job opportunities probably will hold their populations at a fairly stable level. Suburban and open-country areas not far removed from work opportunities can expect to grow fairly rapidly. However, until the anticipated population explosion actually arrives, open-country, strictly rural counties far removed from industrial areas may become even more rural before growth overflows in their direction.

Everything in this life seems to even up. The fellow with less hair to comb has more face to wash.

FOR SALE USED TIRES For Plows And Trailers See BOVINA TIRE SERVICE AD 8-2801 Bovina

FAKM & RANCH LOANS Long Term -- Low Interest Ethridge-Spring Agency, Friona Phone 8811

Dr. William Beene Optometrist
announces the removal of his office to 13th and Summitt, Friona, Texas (one half block south of Hospital)
Mon. thru Fri. 9 A.M. - 6 P.M. Telephone 4051

Announcing The Fifth Annual Hub Community Sale Jan. 19, 1961
Items Accepted For Sale On The Sale Day.
Phone
Fleming & Son Gin Hub 2405
West Hub Gin Hub 2705
Hub Grain Co. Hub 2715
Sale Will Be Held At **Hub Community Center**

Black Optometric Clinic A. J. BLACK, O. D.
OFFICE HOURS: 9:00 to 5:00 -- Sat. 9:00 to 1:00 Phone 8240 -- Muleshoe, Texas

Notice Of Election To Be Held Tuesday, January 10, 1961
for Water District Director and County Committeemen.
Polling Places in Parmer County:
1. Wilson & Brock Real Estate Office, Bovina
2. County Courthouse, Farwell
3. City Hall, Friona
4. Schoolhouse, Lazbuddie
For District Director:
(Vote for One)
1. John Gammon, Route 1, Friona
2. _____
For County Committeemen:
(Residents Vote for One Committeeman-at-Large)
1. Wayne Garth, RFD, Friona
2. Walter Kaltwasser, RFD, Farwell
3. Raymond Schueler, RFD, Friona
4. Gene Smith, RFD, Muleshoe
5. A. B. Wilkinson, Bovina
6. _____
(Residents of Commissioner's Precinct No. 4, Vote for One)
1. D. B. Ivy, RFD, Friona
2. Joe B. Jennings, RFD, Muleshoe
3. _____
Be Sure To Cast Your Vote High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1.

You'll Like What You Find At
LULLABY LANE
In The Village - Clovis N. Mex.
7th And Main
INFANTS - CHILDREN - MATERNITY WEAR
"Sure Sign of Flavor" **QUALITY CHECK DAIRY PRODUCTS**
Butter Milk Sour Cream
In No-Wax, No-Leak Plastic-Coated Cartons
LARDY-CAMPBELL Quality Check DAIRY PRODUCTS

SEE IT NOW! THE MASSEY - FERGUSON NO. 55 TWO-WAY MOLDBOARD PLOW
In 2 Or 3 Bottoms And 12-14-16 In. Sizes

Come By And Let Harold Or Elmer Show You These Exclusive Massey-Ferguson Features
* Bottom Suck Adjustment
Each bottom is adjustable for suck. This enables the right and left hand bottoms to be adjusted to correspond to the same draft and width of cut setting when there is a difference in share shape.
* Automatic Turnover
No pulleys-cables-hydraulic lines to get out of working order. Just raise plow to full height and it automatically turns.
Pruitt Bros. Implement Co.
Local Owned Local Operated
Your Friendly Massey-Ferguson Dealers
On Highway 70--Just North Of The Tracks
Phone 7550 or 2660 Muleshoe

The HAPPY HOMEMAKER

BY JUNE FLOYD

Homemakers, like everyone else, usually start the New Year off with a number of resolutions. Most of us give a lot of thought to the things we plan to do better in the New Year and are sincere in resolving to make an improvement over the previous year.

It isn't too late to make New Year's resolutions yet. If you neglected to make yours on the first of the year, start making a list now and then do your resolving on any of the following New Year's days: Chinese, February 18; Persian, March 21; Slamese, April 1; Mohammedan, April 26; Alexandrine, August 29.

Since most of us are prone to break most of our resolutions, perhaps we should make a list then make use of every New Year's Day.

During the year we print a lot of recipes in this column and appreciate the favorable comments of our readers. This week, the featured recipe will be a little bit different. Hope each of our readers enjoys it.

RECIPE FOR A HAPPY NEW YEAR

Take twelve fine full months -- see that they are thoroughly free from old memories of bitterness, rancor, hate and jealousy. Cleanse them completely from every clinging spite; pick off all specks of pettiness and littleness.

In short, see that these months are freed from all the

past and have them as fresh and clean as when they first came from the great storehouse of Time.

Divide each of these months into 30 or 31 equal parts--each one except the second, divide that into 28 equal parts. Do not try to make up the whole year's batch all at one time (many spoil the broth that way), but prepare one day at a time as follows:

Into each day put twelve parts of faith, eleven of patience, ten of courage, nine of work (some omit this ingredient and so spoil the flavor of the rest), eight of hope, seven of loyalty, six of liberality, five of kindness, four of rest (leaving this out is like leaving the oil out of the salad--don't do it), three of prayer, two of meditation, and one well-selected resolution. To this add a dash of fun, a sprinkle of play, and a heaping cupful of good humor.

Pour into the whole mixture love ad libitum, and mix with a vim. Cook thoroughly with fervent heat, garnish with smiles and a sprig of joy, then serve with quietness, unselfishness and cheerfulness and A HAPPY NEW YEAR is a certainty.

If you haven't yet raked up your leaves, you can make your lawn-raking easier by watering the leaves lightly before you start or doing the job on a damp morning. Damp leaves don't blow like dry ones and are much easier collected.

If you are getting ready to repot your house or yard plants, try dunking them in water and letting them soak for ten or fifteen minutes. This soaking will replace moisture that was

removed from the clay when it was baked.

Try stirring three or four tablespoonfuls of plant food in each gallon of water. You will be amazed at the amount of water and plant food the pots will soak up. This will prevent the pots from absorbing chemicals that plants need from the soil.

Put a few pieces of charcoal in the bottom of each pot if it is going to be used for a plant that requires a great deal of water. The charcoal will keep the soil sweet and will retain water.

If you received hyacinth, tulip or narcissus bulbs for Christmas or have them in your yard and wish to force them for Easter blooms, you should begin now. Unless their growth is very slow, force them at fifty degrees--never above sixty.

Even crocuses can be forced for indoor bloom. However, they should be potted in the fall and stored at about forty degrees until early January and forced at not over sixty degrees. They will bloom in February.

Self-improvement is something none of us should ever stop working at. Since it is against the laws of nature for anything to remain "as is," we are constantly changing and whether a person is going forward or backward is largely an individual matter.

A little item reflecting on this subject was printed in the January Cheer. We are re-printing it for your consideration and enjoyment:

ANY MAN CAN SPOIL HIMSELF

He can allow himself to grow so sensitive that he lives in constant pain. He can nurse his grudges until they are an intolerable burden. He can think himself insulted until he is apt to be. He can believe the world is against him until it is. He can imagine troubles until they become real. He can hold so many under suspicion that no one believes him.

He can look so askance at his friends until they are no longer friends. He can think himself so important that no one else does. He can have such a good opinion of himself that no one else enjoys his presence. He can become so wrapped up in himself that he becomes very small.

Special Milk Program Ups Consumption

College Station, Dec.--For the sixth straight year, the U. S. Department of Agriculture reports an increase in the amount of milk being consumed by children through the operation of the Special Milk Program.

According to USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service, in the fiscal year which ended June 30, 1960, nearly 2.4 billion half-pints of milk were moved into use by the program, in addition to milk served with lunches under the National School Lunch Program. This 2.4 billion total represents an increase of about 200 million half-pints over the preceding year. Preliminary reports indicate that the amount of milk used by the program will be even greater this year.

The Special Milk Program encourages children to drink more milk by making it possible for schools and institutions to serve it more frequently and at reduced prices, or to inaugurate a milk service. During 1960 the number of participating schools, settlement houses, summer camps, and other child-care institutions climbed to an all-time high of over 83,000.

The Special Milk Program has been steadily growing since its inauguration in September 1954.

Table 1. The effect of planting date on yield, moisture, shelling, and lodging percentage of early and late maturing corn hybrids at the High Plains Research Foundation in 1960.

Date	Variety	Yield/A 1/	Moisture % at harvest	Shelling %	Lodging %
April 21	KT 6	134.2 bu.	20	79	2.0
	Texas 30	172.9 bu.	32	76	4.3
May 5	KT 6	148.0 bu.	20	77	5.7
	Texas 30	169.7 bu.	35	75	9.1
May 20	KT 6	132.1 bu.	27	70	8.5
	Texas 30	124.1 bu.	48	69	23.0

1/ Yields reported in bushels per acre of shelled corn based on 56 pounds per bushel and converted to 14 % moisture.

L. S. D. for varieties at .05 level = 16.7 bushels per acre.

L. S. D. for dates at .05 level = 17.5 bushels per acre.

Table 3. Average Lodging percent, yield, moisture content at harvest, and gross value as affected by type of hybrid and planting date.

Date	Hybrid	Average Lodging	Average Yield	Average Moisture	Average Value 1/
April 21	KT 6	5.4 %	138.1 bu.	22.4 %	\$137.41
	Texas 30	12.1 %	155.6 bu.	38.3 %	124.88
May 5	KT 6	3.2 %	153.6 bu.	26.1 %	150.76
	Texas 30	7.4 %	158.9 bu.	27.4 %	147.26
May 20	KT 6	15.8 %	128.1 bu.	37.6 %	95.42
	Texas 30	15.8 %	128.1 bu.	37.6 %	95.42

1/ Value of shelled corn @ \$2.00 cwt. minus loss due to lodging and cost of drying.

HD Agent's Gossip

BY MISS ETTIE MUSIL

Happy New Year to each of you! Have you made any New Year's resolutions? If so, how many have you broken already? Shame on you! We do wish you each a most successful new year of true happiness. This depends upon you, what you consider happiness. It is making others happy, which in return makes you happy?

Just in case you were surprised with a beautiful poinsettia or other Christmas pot plant, I'm sure you want to keep it looking beautiful for a long, long time.

So many receivers of pot plants become discouraged because their pretty plant gifts begin to shed leaves and die within a few days or weeks. Here are some pointers so your gifts will look lovely longer.

One important must is to avoid drowning or water-logging plants by watering too often. Yes, I know you are trying to take care of the plants, but you can be too careful. Follow directions for watering given with each plant.

Another must is good drainage. If the pot is still wrapped in colorful metal foil, it may be necessary to cut a small hole in the bottom of the foil cover. This will provide the drainage for the plant. At times the soil becomes packed. In this case the root system of the plant does not get the needed air for growth. From time to time you may stir up the top one-inch of the soil with a stick or old fork to aerate the soil. This is like cultivating the fields.

Just the other day the girls in the Courthouse were asking me what caused leaves on ivy and other plants to drop off. Sometimes smoke or gas in the room causes these leaves to shed prematurely. Remember that indoor atmosphere dries plants quickly. House plants do like fresh air just as we do, so do open a window on warmer days.

Most plants such as the cyclamen, African violets, primroses, Jerusalem cherry, ornamental pepper, and poinsettias like cool temperatures. They like morning light, high humidity, and the soil to become dry, but not dried out, before watering. Most plants do

best if they are kept in a room that is kept around 65 to 68 degrees.

Your beautiful poinsettia will stay attractive for most of January if kept at temperatures around 65 degrees. Then let them dry down gradually and plant outdoors when the temperatures are warmer.

Indoors or outdoors they need full sunshine and all the light possible. Inside, poinsettias should be protected from sudden temperature changes. If the plants are grown in pots, they should be watered regularly from March to January or the leaves may fall off. Changing from one position to another and changing to different light exposures sometimes causes leaves to fall.

If all the leaves fall off a poinsettia it does not mean that it is dead. I have seen many plants bud out to replace the fallen leaves.

We have just received a new order of bulletins of all subjects that we would like to share with you. Included in this order are these free bulletins: "The Poinsettia" which shows you how to care for the plant, how to make cuttings, how to care for them as cut flowers, and many other aids in growing the plant.

Now is the time to plant roses according to a bulletin "Roses For Texas." This bulletin includes help in selecting the proper location for the roses, when to prune, how to plant, how and when to water,

mulching, and insect and disease control.

Two other publications for beautifying your homestead could be helpful by reading "Gladolus for Texas Gardens" and "Chrysanthemums for Texas Gardens."

Just call me, write me, or come by and see the new stock of helpful free bulletins. I'm still waiting to meet you. Do come by when you are in Farwell.

Texas' population now includes more than half a million persons over 65 years of age. This, according to Reagan Brown, extension rural sociologist, represents about 7 per cent of the total population or about 1 out of 11. The ratio, he adds, is higher in rural areas.

The January 1961 plentiful foods list just released by the U. S. Department of Agriculture features broiler-fryers, cranberries, onions, cabbage and canned ripe olives. The USDA releases each month during the year a list of foods found to be in plentiful supply and urge consumers to take advantage of these foods when shopping.

The Texas Farm and Ranch Safety Council offers this suggestion for a New Year's Resolution--"I will strive at all times to protect my family from accidents by setting a good example of safe living and by teaching all members of my family the principles of safety and see that accident hazards in the home and on the farm or ranch are removed or corrected."

Two Ways To Set Fertilizer Amount

There are two ways to decide how much fertilizer to put on the land, Bill Bennett of the Extension Service reminds. One

way is to guess -- the other is to take a soil sample. The soil sample will tell you how much and what kind of fertilizer to add for top yields next fall.

Time To Prepare SS Tax Returns

This is the time for local farmers to prepare their social security tax return for reporting their employees for 1960. Hal Geldon, Manager of the Amarillo Social Security Office, said today.

He added, "Farm wages are reported on a yearly basis. The report covering employees who worked in 1960 must be filed with the Director of Internal Revenue during January 1961."

The report must be filed for: any employee who was paid \$150 or more in cash wages during the year; or any individual who worked on 20 or more days in 1960 for cash wages figured on a time basis (for instance, by the hour, day, week, etc.) regardless of the total earnings for the year. It is important that the employee's correct social security number be shown on the report, Geldon said.

There was a sharp increase in the number and quality of reports filed by area farmers last year, Geldon advised that correct and complete reporting helps guarantee that the employee receives full social security credit for the work he has done.

Every field is not the same--even on your own farm. You may have fields that produce high yields, others that produce low yields. The big job is to get them all producing as much as possible with the fewest dollars spent.

Your neighbor may have had good results with a certain kind of fertilizer, but you may not get the same results. Your land is likely to be different and the same treatment on your land may waste money for you.

Bennett points out that it takes good sampling to get good results. He recommends that you visit your local county agent who will be glad to show you just how to do the job right. He also has copies of the forms which must accompany the sample.

I Get 5% Dividends On My Money At ...

FIDELITY SAVINGS & LOAN

5th at Mitchell PO 3-5581 Clovis, N. Mex.

Irrigation Systems

Concrete Pipe
Aluminum Pipe
Plastic Pipe
Contact

PAUL A. HALL

Ph. 2331 Frijona

Or



Ph. 2700-Muleshoe

Dutch Quickel
MONY Now Means MONEY Later

YOU May Not Be Ready For MORE Winter -- BUT WE ARE!



Don't Miss Our BIG OIL SALE -- Order Now - Take Delivery Later - All Oil Has Government Mil No. Specs.

SAVE -- SAVE -- SAVE

CO-OP Farm Supply Store
-- MULESHOE --

New & Rebuilt Electric Motors
For All Purposes

Electric Motor Rewinding
General & Starter Service

Crown Electric

PO3-5433 1320 W. 7th., Clovis

Complete Brake And Front End Service
Boyd's Brake Shop

221 W. Grand PO 3-4326

Visual Care Contact Lenses

DR. B. R. PUTMAN OPTOMETRIST

Office Hours: 9-5 Sat. 9-12 Pho. 70508 111 East 3rd St. Muleshoe, Texas

New Spring Merchandise Arriving Daily

- * SUITS
- * COATS
- * DRESSES

Shop Early For The Best Selections. Use Our Lay-A-Way

The Fashion Shop

521 Main - Clovis

Dry Fertilizer Anhydrous Ammonia

Uran Fertilizer

Call Us For All Your Farming Needs

Cooper Tires
Asgrow Hybrid Sorghum Seed
Hundreds Of Farming Accessories

Oklahoma Lane Farm Supply

BA 5-4366

4% CURRENT DIVIDEND

1. SAVINGS INSURED TO \$10,000 (F.S.L.I.C.)
2. ASSETS EXCEED \$26 1/2 MILLION
3. STRONG RESERVES -- \$2.4 MILLION
4. SOUND MANAGEMENT

REMEMBER -- WHERE YOU SAVE DOES MAKE A DIFFERENCE

FIRST FEDERAL SAVINGS & LOAN ASSOCIATION

HOME OFFICE 4th & Pike, Clovis BRANCH OFFICE 2nd & Abilene, Portales

ADAMS DRILLING CO.
WATER WELL DRILLING

LAYNE DIAL 2921 PUMP & GEAR PUMPS, INC. NIGHTS 2951 HEAD REPAIRS

Sales & Service Frijona ALL MAKES Texas

BUILT TO THE ROAD BALANCE, LANEHOLDING CONTROL ...
(That's The Wide Track Way To Travel)

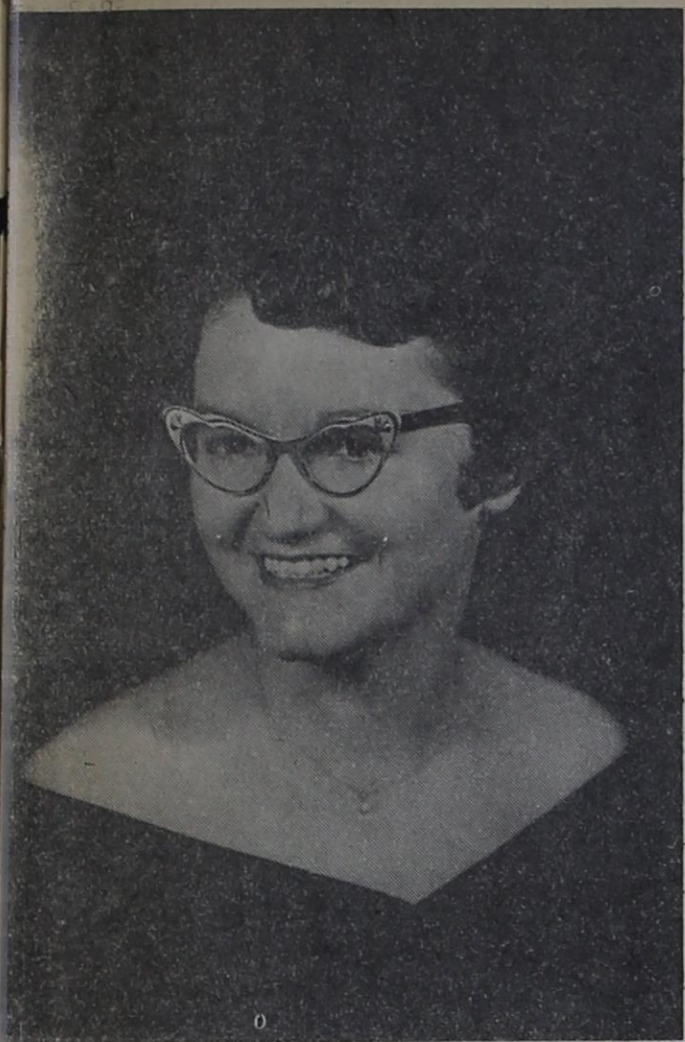
PONTIAC '61
IT'S ALL PONTIAC!

Announcing The New Pontiac Trophy V-8 Engine

Horse Powers Range From 215 to 348. Its Lower Compression Ratio Lets You Use Regular Gas. More Headroom, Legroom, Footroom.

For Greater Comfort
SEE - DRIVE - COMPARE TODAY!

Bonneville - Star Chief - Ventura - Catalina
FRANK RIERSON PONTIAC
401 E. First PO 2-2981



Engagement Revealed

Mr. and Mrs. Roy L. Burrow of Tulia announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, La Donna Dale, to Manuel Eugene Kesner, son of Mr. and Mrs. S.N. Kesner of Bovina.

Wedding vows will be exchanged March 11 at First Baptist Church of Tulia.

Young People Entertained

The Howard Ellisons and teachers of the Young Peoples Sunday School class of Church of Christ entertained the young people last Monday evening with a sandwich supper.

The group exchanged gifts and played Christmas records for entertainment.

Sandwiches, chips, punch, fruit cake and candy were served from a buffet table laid with a white cloth and graced with a Christmas candle centerpiece.

Among those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Pinner, Mr. and Mrs. James Boardman, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Rhodes, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred White, Beverly Pinner, Billy and Joyce Marshall, Eddie and Tommy Crump, Jerry Davis, Vickie Rodgers, Donna McDonald, Kay Embree, Carolyn, Dennis and Olan Johnston, Gregory Mahon, James Lee Calaway, Billy, Beth and Jimmy White, Mickey and Dennis Ellison, Rhonda and Thomas Rhodes, Randy Jones, Wenzel Lindsey and Butch Riddle.

Holiday Visitors In Wolton Home

Visiting in the home of Mrs. Mary Wolton during the holidays were her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kyle of Eldorado Springs, Mo., her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wolton, her daughter, Mrs. Ray Davies, a granddaughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. R.J. Schoenig and Joe of Clovis, her great-granddaughter Jackie Davies and friend, Auquenetta Hooten of Amarillo, Mrs. Emma Wolton, granddaughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Fox and great-granddaughter, Lacona Wolton of Albuquerque, N.M. and Mr. and Mrs. Wendel Mederia and Adrian, also a great-granddaughter of Clovis.

Miss Bradshaw Hosts Reunion

Miss Dyalitha Bradshaw of Denver, Colo. hosted a class reunion for the 1955 graduating class of Bovina High Monday evening in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H.D. Bradshaw.

A display table which featured snap shots, graduation program, senior paddles and play programs was set up for guests to view.

Refreshments of fruit cake topped with whipped cream, coffee, tea and candy were served from a table laid with a red cloth over a red net skirt. Red candles, silver and crystal appointments graced the table.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Troy Christian, Mr. and Mrs. La Von Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Reggie Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Art Vinyard, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Ray Barron, Mr. and Mrs. Don Owens, Donald Lloyd, Sandra Jefferson and the hostess.

Esteses Host Bridge Party

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Estes entertained several couples Friday evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Charles.

Bridge provided entertainment for the group.

Chips, dips, coffee, cake, tea and candy were served to the group.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Horn, Mr. and Mrs. Dean McCallum, Mr. and Mrs. Don Sides, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Grissom, Mr. and Mrs. Durward Bell, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Caldwell, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Wilson and the hosts.

Let's face it . . .



Not Everybody Belongs To A Co-Op But Everyone **BENEFITS**

BOVINA WHEAT GROWERS, INC.

"We Serve To Serve Again" Jim Russell, Mgr.

...OFF TO A GOOD START!

NEW YEAR'S

1961



FOOD SAVINGS

Thur.-Fri.-Sat.
January 5-6-7

1961

SHURFINE COFFEE

Lb.

59¢

Shurfine Yellow Cling

Peaches

Sliced No. 2 1/2
or Halves Can

29¢

Shurfresh

BISCUITS

Sweet Milk Or Buttermilk

3

Cans

25¢

Produce

Value Parade



Sunshine Krispie

CRACKERS
1 lb. Box **27¢**

Meadolake

OLEO
lb. **23¢**

Nabisco Ritz

CRACKERS
1 lb. Box **37¢**

Food King

COFFEE
lb. **59¢**

Powdered Energy

DETERGENT
Giant Box **59¢**

Liquid Energy

DETERGENT
22 oz. Can **49¢**

Shurfine

Salad Dressing
Qt. Jar **45¢**

Shurfine

Grape Jelly
10 oz. Jar **23¢**

Soflin

Facial Tissue
2 400 Ct. Boxes **45¢**

Shurfine-Halves

APRICOTS
No. 303 Can **25¢**

Arrow

Black Pepper
4 oz. Can **39¢**

Fancy Central American

BANANAS lb. **10¢**

Rome

APPLES 4 lb. Bag **45¢**

Large Firm Heads

LETTUCE lb. **10¢**

US No. 1 Colorado

RED SPUDS 10 lbs **49¢**

Colgate

TOOTHPASTE

Giant Size

39¢

Bake-Rite

SHORTENING 3 lb. Can **69¢**

LIBBY SPINACH 2 No. 303 Cans **29¢**

SHOP HERE FOR QUALITY MEATS

—Ask Butcher Bill Smith For Your Favorite Cut—

USDA Graded Chuck or Arm

Beef Roast lb. **49¢**

USDA Graded

Club Steaks lb. **69¢**

Pinkney Harvest Time

Franks lb. **39¢**

Pinkney Sunray

Picnics lb. **37¢**

—Double GUNN Bros. stamps Wednesdays with purchase of \$2.50 or more—



WILSON'S



SUPER MARKET

Phone AD 8-4781

PARMER COUNTY'S FINEST

BOVINA

Is He Planning Matrimony?

The Parmer County Sheriff's Department this week is looking for a burglar who has been following a definite pattern while twice breaking into a farm home near Hub.

It all started November 21 when someone entered the home of Ralph Robinson and made off with a wedding ring, a woman's watch, cuff links and several other small items.

The burglary was not reported to Sheriff Chas. Lovelace until November 28, and an investigation at that time revealed few clues. The break-in occurred while the Robinsons were away from home.

Again over the New Year weekend, while the Robinsons were away visiting relatives for a few days, their home was entered for the second time.

Missing when the Robinsons returned Sunday night were two forks, two knives and two spoons from a set of silverware, two cups, two drinking glasses, two saucers, four plates, a skillet and radio.

The burglary was immediately reported to the sheriff, who this week was checking out several clues. "I've never seen anything like it," Lovelace says of the unusual break-in.

Considering what the items were that have been stolen both times, the sheriff says "apparently it's someone who's planning on getting married."

In other activity for the sheriff's department over the holidays, Fortunato Martinez,

18, was arrested at Friona and charged with attempted forgery. Martinez allegedly tried three times at various Friona businesses to cash an \$18 check on which he had forged the signature of B. W. Turner.

The young man was arrested Friday by Sheriff Lovelace and is now in custody at the Parmer County jail. Bond for Martinez has been set at \$500 and he has been bound over to the grand jury.

A couple of minor break-ins which occurred over the holidays are also being investigated by the sheriff's department.

Last Thursday night, someone entered a barn on the Hilton Moore farm near Bovina and made off with some gas and oil.

The Friona school house was broken into last Wednesday night. A soft drink machine was tampered with and a small amount of money was taken from the coin box. Entrance was gained through an unlocked window.

Also reported to the sheriff's department was an accidental gunshot wound to Danny Kruse, 17-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Kruse, who lives near Bovina. The youth was target practicing with a pistol Monday afternoon when he accidentally shot himself in the leg. He was treated for the injury at the Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona.

Basketball Team Split With Anton

Bovina basketball teams split a doubleheader at Anton Tuesday night. Anton won the girls game, 53-45, while the Mustangs won, 58-46.

The Fillies were led by Kay Looney with 20 points and Cynthia Patterson with 15.

Pacing the Ponies were Bill Strawn and Don Caldwell with 12 each, David Lawlis with 14 and Jon Riddle with 10.

Both Mustangs and Fillies play in Hale Center Invitational tournament this weekend. Their first games will be Thursday afternoon.

Whittlin'--

off a few numbers, there were 262 listed telephone numbers in Bovina last year. The new book has 288.

While it's not spectacular, that's good solid growth, we'd say.

Most newspapers boost their want ad or classified ad department regularly and forcefully. The Blade's never made a practice of that...on a regular basis, at least.

We've always just tried to wait until a want ad did a job that we were proud of and then try to tell about that job.

In the past couple of issues, Euell Hart, who farms west of town, ran a want ad about a horse which had come to his place. Euell was interested in finding the owner or at least he wanted to be sure he wasn't going to find the owner so the horse would be legally his.

After checking with all the horsemen in the area, he couldn't locate said owner. But he thought a want ad in The Blade might locate him. And sure enough it did.

The horse belonged to a Muleshoe man. Now we'll admit that we don't have a lot of subscribers in Muleshoe, but we do have some south of town who know a lot of people in Muleshoe. That's the way the word got to the horse's owner.

A Blade want ad might be able to do a good job for you. Put one to work for you. Cost is small and anti-inflationary--it's never gone up.

To place that want ad, dial 238-4531. You need practice in dialing that new prefix, anyway.

Take Oath--

officials. Also taking the oath of office for new four-year terms were Chas. Lovelace, county sheriff; Lee Thompson, assessor-collector; and Hurshell Harding, county attorney. All three were re-elected in the recent general election.

An officer who had been in Germany sixteen months received a letter from his wife telling about a prayer their four-year-old daughter made: "Please send me a baby brother so we will have something to surprise Daddy with when he gets home."

WANT ADS

WANTED -- Experienced farm hand, good house, good pay, no young children. L. L. Grissom, Ph. 225-4368. 28-2tc

FOR RENT -- Floor Polisher. \$1 per day. Superior Electric, AD 8-2751 32-tfnc

FOR SALE--3 refrigerated boxcars to be moved. Sam Suderth, AD8-4071. 26-4tp

Escape Serious Injury In Wreck

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Williams escaped serious injury in an automobile accident in Dimmitt Friday night.

They were on their way to Bovina from their home in Dallas to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Williams, Mrs. Williams suffered a gash in her forehead. He escaped injury.

The accident occurred at spotlight on northwest corner of square in Dimmitt as the Williams car collided with another one at an intersection. Extensive damage was done to Williams' car.

Diphtheria Threatens; Protection Is Urged

Diphtheria cases reported as near as Dimmitt were being viewed with concern by school and health officials in the county this week.

The disease hit Plainview in epidemic proportions the week before Christmas, and communities throughout the area have kept an uneasy check on the situation.

Dimmitt has reported only "one or two isolated cases," but prospects of the disease spreading into Parmer County are not considered remote.

Dr. Paul Spring, county health

Men Die In Crash--

determined that the men were last seen in Socorro Wednesday afternoon. This information sent searchers to the correct area Monday.

Fort Sumner is directly on route from Socorro to Clovis airport where the men were expected to land.

A rancher who had a beautifully formed wife went to town one day to buy her a dress. The saleslady, knowing his wife, brought out a number of highly revealing gowns.

The rancher shook his head. "No miss, I don't want anything like those. To me, Molly is like money in the bank. As long as I know it is there, I don't have to see it all the time."

FOR SALE--Black '55 Ford 2-dr. Victoria hardtop, 4 new tires, for \$650. See John Farron at Bovina Dry Goods. 26-3tp

FOR SALE---2 bedroom home, newly redecorated and carpeted. New hot water heater. Good location on Third Street, see Dick Martin at First National Bank or Phone AD8-4721. 15-tfnc

LAND WANTED - We have buyers for irrigated land, also dry land and grass land. Call, write or see Turner Bros. Land Co. Ph. 5221, Hale Center, Texas. 16-12tp

Richards Slaughter House
"Your Business Appreciated"

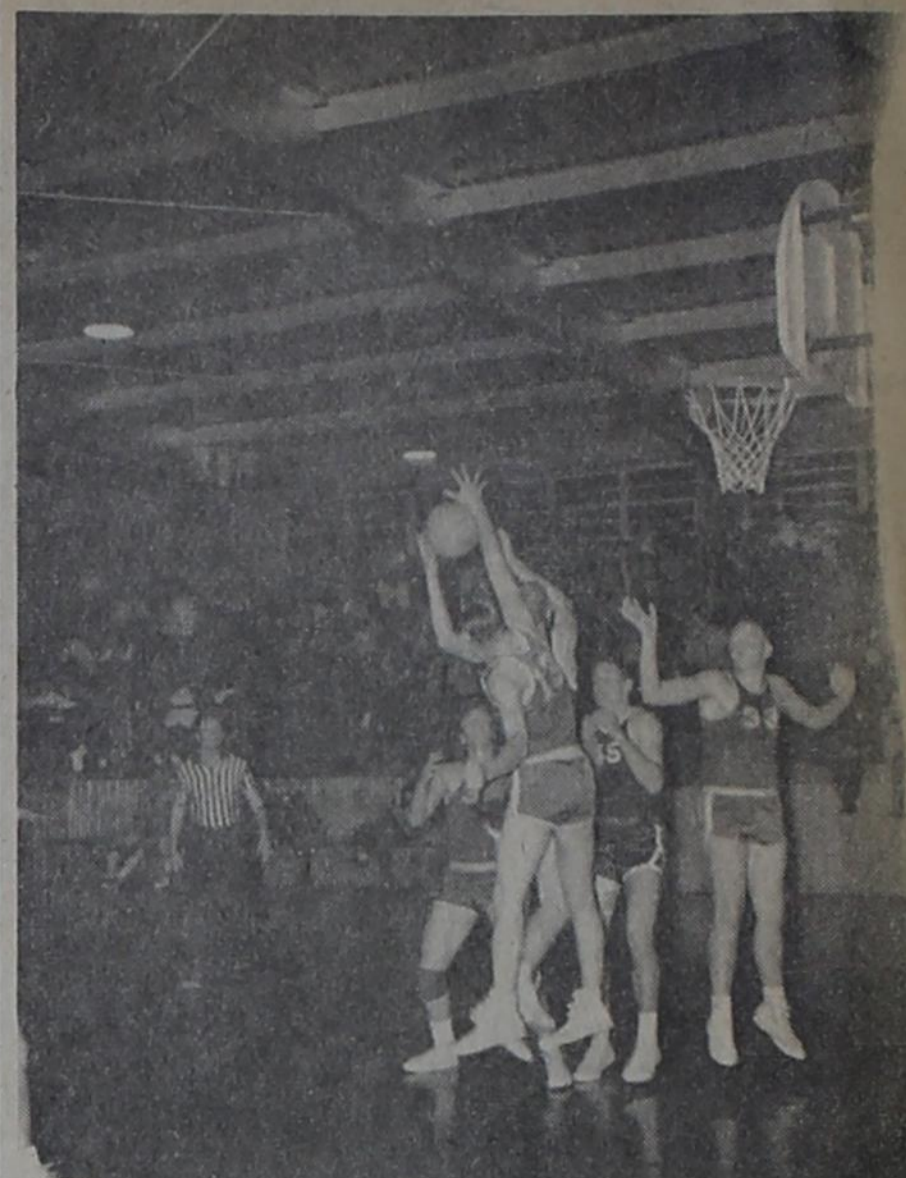
A clerk was handed a pay envelope which, by error, contained a blank check.

The astonished clerk looked at it and moaned: "Just what I thought would happen. My deductions at last caught up with my salary."

FOUND--Paint horse weighing about 1,000 pounds. Estimated age: 12 years. Has been at my place about 30 days. Owner may have by paying feed bill and for this ad. Euell Hart, BA5-4184. 26-tfnc

FOR SALE--House, outbuildings and five acres of land; house has three bedrooms and attached garage. \$9000. Located 10 miles west of Friona or 9 miles north of Bovina. Contact Norlan Dudley, Box 368, Hart, Texas or call Farmers State Bank, Hart, W 83210. tfnc

WANTED -- In the event you are interested in selling your farm or that extra piece of land, we would appreciate your listing and will work hard toward selling it for you. O. W. Rhinehart in Bovina 30 Years Phone AD8-2081 21-tfnc



A SPRINGLAKE BLANKET--Bovina Mustang Bill Strawn, with ball, is all but covered up by Springlake defenders as he attempts to get a shot away in semi-finals of Friona Invitational tournament Friday. Roger Ezell is Bovina's No. 45. A hope-building rally in second half failed to give the Mustangs the win.

New March of Dimes Enlists Millions In Battle to Prevent Crippling Diseases

Beginning Jan. 2 and throughout the month, millions of Americans will enlist in the annual offensive to prevent crippling diseases by joining the 1961 New March of Dimes.

In thousands of communities—crossroads, hamlets, towns, great cities—special ceremonies will mark the start of The National Foundation's campaign for dimes and dollars to combat birth defects, arthritis and polio; to pursue research into these and allied medical problems, and to train health workers.

Climaxing the 1961 New March of Dimes will be the Mothers' March, held on the evening of Tuesday, Jan. 31 in most areas, during which more than a million women and other volunteers will make home-to-home calls asking support to help prevent crippling diseases. Participants in the Mothers' March will wear a lapel identification badge and they will leave in every home an educational pamphlet of "Do's and Don'ts" relating to birth defects and expectant mothers, and another dealing with warning signs and symptoms of arthritis.

The goal of the 1961 New March of Dimes, to cover needful expenditures in research, patient aid and professional education, is \$45 million. As always, a heavy financial burden on The National Foundation and its 3,100 chapters is the cost of old polio cases. (In 1960, patient-aid outlays to some 40,000 victims totaled approximately \$13,250,000.)

Most communities in January will stage a "kickoff" ceremony in which local dignitaries and other personalities will participate. Chief purpose of these



Joan Perry of Perth Amboy, N. J., national chairman of The National Foundation's Teen Age Program (TAP), is up to her pretty chin in New March of Dimes balloons, to be sold throughout January.

events will be to call attention again to the magnitude of the expanded program of The National Foundation and to re-emphasize that one of every 16 infants in the U.S. is born with a significant birth defect; that fully 11 million in the nation are afflicted with some form of rheumatism including arthritis; and that the staggering costs of polio will continue in 1961.

Members of TAP (Teen Age Program) and other young people across the country will be active in their local areas in January in organizing colorful special events. Among these will be coffee parties, air-lifts, sales of March of Dimes rainbow crutches and balloons and bowling and other sports events. They will also help address the 38 million New March of Dimes

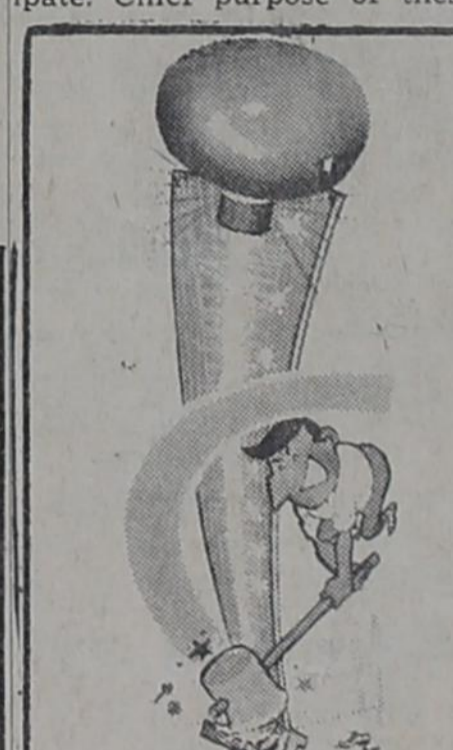
mailers to be sent to the nation's homes.

In addition, they will assist adults in making preparations for fashion shows, auctions, telethons and other New March of Dimes benefits.

Posters and other campaign materials to be seen across the face of the land will bear the appeal, "Please Say Yes to the New March of Dimes."

An elderly man entered the hospital for treatment. One of the first meals served to him included a bowl of quivering gelatin which he refused to eat.

Pressed for explanation, he replied, "I'm not going to eat anything that's more nervous than I am."



Get More Replacement Parts From WARREN Auto Supply STP Distributor Highway 60 Bovina Yes, Keep Your Irrigation Motors Humming With *Murphy Switches *Spark Plugs *Oil Filters *Bearings *Belts from WARREN'S

Automatic Heat at your fingertips with Clean, Inexpensive **GULF GULFTANE LP-GAS** BUTANE PROPANE Enjoy clean, healthful, even temperatures—automatically! With Gulftane and a modern LP-Gas furnace, you can sail through winter's coldest weather with nothing more to do than set your thermostat ONCE! Costs less than you think. Let us tell you all about it. **Bonds Oil Co.** AD 8-2271 Bovina



TO OLD and NEW FRIENDS **A Happy New Year**

With The New Year, We Pledge To Make Every Effort To Serve You With Hardware, Furniture, Appliance And Gift Needs In A Way You'll Like.

Gaines Hardware Co. Nothing Knocks On Bovina But Opportunity

Guaranteed Motor Repair Service for CARS—TRUCKS—TRACTORS IRRIGATION MOTORS We Welcome Your Business * * * **H&M Garage** AD 8-2041 Dub Mayhew Bovina Gene Hall.

REPAIR! REMODEL! Nothing Down — 60 Months To Pay Complete Line Building Supplies **Cicero Smith LUMBER COMPANY** AD 8-2671 Bovina

Imitated by most... duplicated by none! **Firestone Town & Country** Guaranteed to go thru ice, mud or snow or we pay the tow! **PAUL JONES TEXACO** Service Station -Bovina- Highway 60 238-4331