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BOVINA CITY MANAGER Ernest Terry, right, plots a chess move during the Chess Club meet February 14. At left is Aaron Ramon. Kenneth Waters coaches his sons Regan and Corben. Next match is February 28.

## Next Chess Club Meeting February 28

The first meeting of the Bovina Chess Club was held on February 14.

The simultaneous match pitted city manager Ernest Terry and Michael Duva, Aaron Ramon, Regan Waters, Corben Waters and Davin Waters. The match was held in the school cafeteria.

The next meeting is set for Thursday, February 28 at 4 p.m. All interested chess players are invited to join in and play chess.

Future meetings will have chess discussions, ladder events and chess lessons.

## Bovina's First Baptist Church Has New Minister In Pulpit

Aaron and Vonda Reed began their ministry this week at First Baptist Church. The couple moved from Hart this past weekend where they had been with First Baptist Church for the past two and one half years.

The couple each grew up in Olney and graduated from Olney High School. He graduated in 1974 and she in 1973.

His parents are Hershel, also a Baptist minister, and Wilma, a housewife. Vonda's parents are Bill and Gracie Sims.

Their oldest son and daughter-in-law are David and Tammy Reed of Lewisville. David is an

athletic trainer for Lewisville High School. Their other son, Scott, is married to Kanda and they live in Wichita Falls. They have a daughter, Hanna Elizabeth, who was born November 2001.

Aaron was called into the ministry in 1995. The first church he pastored at was First Baptist, Amherst. He

was there for four and one half years. He then went to Hart.

Following high school Aaron worked various jobs in the oil field. At one time he

was an engineer for Dresser Industries in Graham and an arc welder for Air Tractor in Olney where he helped to build crop duster airplanes.

Vonda works at the Dimmitt Hospital as a liaison

between the hospital and Resolutions, an outside billing company.

"We feel like moving to Bovina is a fresh start for us and as well as First Baptist.

We are excited about all that God has planned for us, the church and Bovina. We want to welcome anyone in Bovina looking for a church home to come and be a part of what God is doing at First Baptist Church," Reed said.

## Ceremony Set For Postmaster

An Oath of Office Ceremony for Lenore Falcon as postmaster of Bovina, will be held Thursday, February 28, 2002 at 10 a.m. at the Bovina post office.

The public is invited to attend the ceremony and have refreshments with the post office staff.

## Middle School Students' Poems To Be Published

Middle School English and Reading teacher Debby Weems recently had all her students write and send in poems to the "Anthology of Poetry".

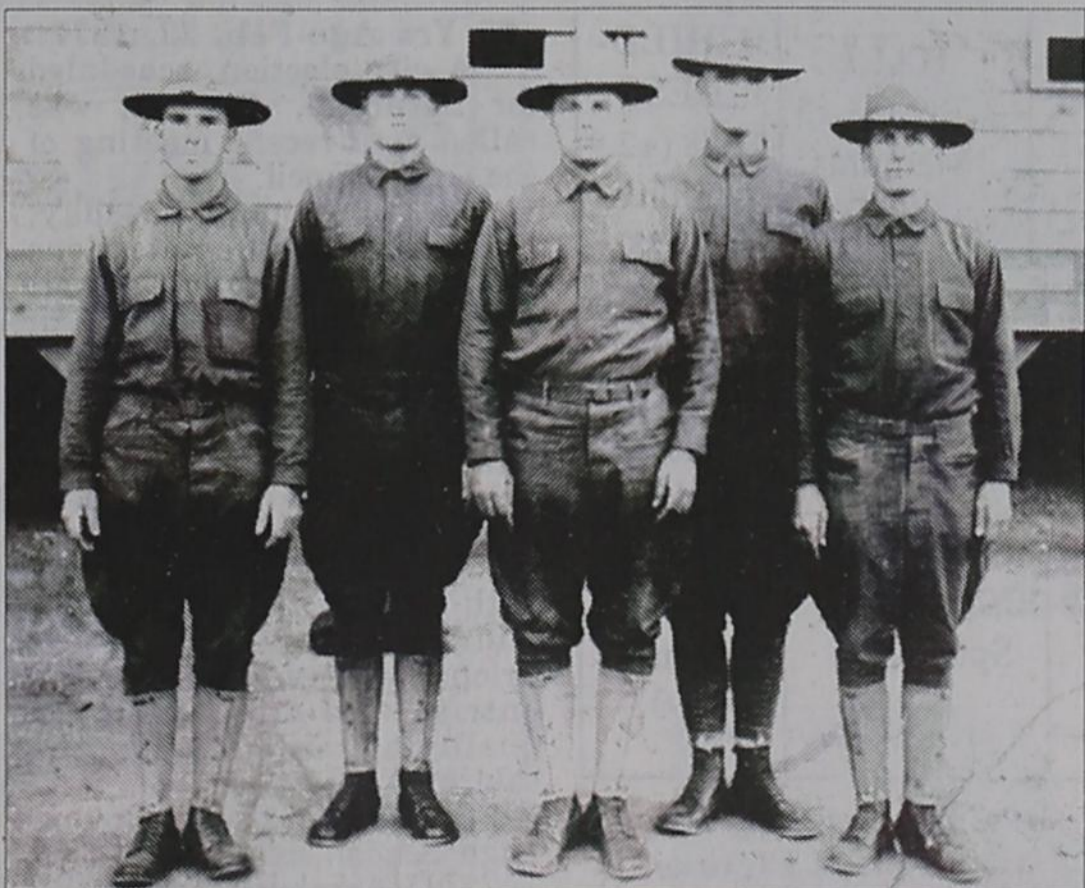
The following middle school students' poems were selected as the most creative and also accepted for publication.

Sixth graders: Jaime Chavira, Justin Guevara, Elizabeth Munoz, Mauricio Garcia, Abriel Terrones, Trent Quintana, Lucero Saucedo, Zulema Garcia, Norma Castillo, Andrew Southerland, Brianda Loya, Hortencia

Lara, Daniel Segovia, Yesenia Ramirez, Anna Rodriguez, Alonso Flores, Christy Thatcher, Nicole Fuentes, Jacob Rivera, Jose Gutierrez and Daena Carrillo.

Seventh graders: Hilda Quintero, Priscilla Lara, Amber Bandy, Joseph Cruz, Tatiana Salas, Omar Salas, David Rojas, Sonia Murillo, Yvette Amparan and Hector Sanchez.

Eighth graders: Alex Owens, Laura Rocha, Diana DeLa Rosa, Elizabeth Ortiz, Misty Dudley, Holly Johnson, Dorothy Martinez and Sandra Perez.



UNKNOWN SOLDIERS....Only three of these World War I soldiers from Parmer County are known. The two not known are the two on the far left. Next come Matt Jesko, Bill Massie (uncle of Meryle Massie) and Harry Jesko. On the front of the picture was written "A bunch of Parmer Co. Cowboys as Soldiers." Photo had been submitted by a member of the late Helen Fangman in 1986. If you can supply a name, call the Bovina Blade office.

## Little Dribblers' Deadline Extended

The deadline for children to sign-up to participate in Little Dribblers has been extended to 4 p.m. Monday, February 25.

Parents can enroll their child for \$20 each or \$15 each if there is more than one child playing basketball in the family. Sign-up sheets are at Bovina Elementary School with Sandi Downes.

Coaches and assistants are still needed in each age group. Coaches who have already volunteered must be present Monday, February 25 at 6:30 p.m. at the school cafeteria for the team drafts.

Team practices will begin Tuesday, February 26 at 5 p.m. Games will begin Monday, March 18 and each team will play 5 or 7 games during the season.



AARON & VONDA REED

## Farmers Union Focuses On Commodity Prices

A great amount of debate has taken place recently in Washington, Texas and all of rural America regarding the amendment adopted by the U.S. Senate to establish new payment limits for farmers and ranchers, and to eliminate farm payments to non-farmers. The passage of the amendment has raised the ire of many Texas producers, who believe that without unlimited government assistance, they will not be able to continue to farm.

While the National Farmers Union supported the payment limit amendment in the Senate, it was only because numerous attempts to address the real problems adversely impacting farmers were defeated or ignored. Government payments and limitations thereon, are not the ultimate answer to producer's economic problems the price of our commodities is the problem, and that is where NFU has focused its efforts.

U.S. agriculture policy should be designed to allow farmers and ranchers to obtain their income from the market, not the government, by giving them the tools to address low prices, overproduction and inadequate demand. We cannot, however, continue full production during periods of inadequate demand and expect to get a decent price from the market. Something has to change, and we have been trying to change it.

We have advocated allowing farmers and ranchers to receive increased safety net protection if they agreed to voluntarily reduce production. In addition, we proposed re-instating the Farmer Owned Reserve program, creating a new renewable energy reserve made up of farm-grown crops that can be used to manufacture energy; and we advocated a humanitarian food reserve to ensure a steady supply to those who are hungry and ill-fed. All of these tools could have helped increase market prices to levels where farmers would be less reliant upon federal program payments.

Farmers Union recognized long ago that Freedom To Farm would ruin rural America. We advised against its passage, and have been the most consistent and longest advocates for its change since it became law. Because of the failed policies and promises of Freedom To Farm, we have watched farm commodity prices plummet to decades-old levels.

In 1996, when F-2-F was enacted, the average price received by cotton producers was \$75.40 per hundred-weight. For rice, wheat, soybeans and corn respectively, the prices received were \$9.15 per hundred-weight, \$4.55 per bushel, \$6.72 per bushel, and \$3.24 per bushel. Today, those same commodities are bringing approximately 45 to 80 per cent of those amounts. The average cotton price has averaged \$32.40 per hundredweight over the last five months. Rice prices are projected to average \$4.25 per hundredweight during the current marketing year and wheat, soybeans and corn are projected to average \$2.80.

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## AHA Offers Free CPR Class Mar 7

The American Heart Association will hold a free CPR class on Thursday, March 7, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. in the Parmer County Hospital lobby in Friona.

The class will be presented by the Amarillo EMS Service. You must be 16 years or older to take the class. If you plan to attend the meeting, call Fay Reeve at 250-3334 so they will know how many to plan for.

This is a worthwhile project. One never knows when you might have to save a life. It would be better to know something than nothing about CPR.

The American Heart Association hopes to see you there. Refreshments will be served.

Your Newspaper is a Living Textbook!

HOW MANY INVITATIONS did you receive this week from credit card companies? They're just about as obnoxious as the old "You may already be a winner" sweepstakes offers. The name Ellis must be synonymous with "sucker" in someone's log book, because we get about eight of those credit card "come-on's" every week.

A couple of years ago, Bill's cousin Delbert Ellis of Warrensburg, Missouri, succumbed to the lure of low introductory interest rates, and decided to sign up for one of those pre-approved credit card offers.

Before Delbert even had a chance to use the new credit card, he got a bill stating that he owed \$0.00. He just ignored it and threw it away. The next month, he received another one and threw that one away too. The third month, the credit card company sent him a very nasty note stating that they were going to cancel his card if he didn't cough up, by return mail, the \$0.00 that he owed them.

So Delbert called the company to talk to them about the problem. After punching in about fifty numbers, prompted by a long pre-recorded menu full of "options," he finally reached a human being and was transferred to a couple of different departments before finally reaching the correct person. She said it was just a computer error and told him not to worry, they would take care of it.

The following month, Delbert decided to finally try out this troublesome credit card, figuring that if there were some actual purchases on his account, he could end this ridiculous predicament. However, in the first store where he brought out his card in payment for a purchase, he was told that the card had been cancelled.

Again he called the company. Again they apologized profusely and said they would take care of it. The next month he got a bill for \$0.00 stating that he had only ten days to pay up or the company would have to take steps to recover the debt. Finally giving in, he thought he would play their own game, so he mailed them a check for \$0.00. The company's computer duly processed his account and returned a statement which reported that he now owed nothing at all.

A week later, the bank that Del does business with, called and asked him what he was doing writing a check for \$0.00. It seems that the \$0.00 check had caused their check processing software to fail. The bank could not process ANY checks from ANY of their customers that day, because the check for \$0.00 was causing the computers to crash.

The following month Cousin Del received a letter from the credit card company claiming that his check had bounced and that he now owed them \$0.00 again and they were planning to turn his account over to a collection agency.

Del had been considering buying his wife Lavinia a computer for their anniversary. He bought her a typewriter instead.

I think we can get this credit company junk mail stopped. When you get those credit card offers in the mail, they usually supply a postage paid return envelope. Why not get rid of some of your other junk mail and put it in those little return envelopes. Just make sure your name isn't on anything you mail back to them. If you didn't get any other junk mail that day, just send them back their own letter with your name snipped off.

They will start getting all this junk in the mail and they'll be having to pay for it....twice. Remember, postage is going up again. Let's keep the post office busy sending back all those postage paid envelopes to the credit card people.

## My Turn

by Carol Ellis





## G. Perez Buried In Portales

Rosary services for Guadalupe Perez, 41, of Bovina were held Wednesday at St. Helen Catholic Church in Portales, New Mexico and Mass of the Resurrection was celebrated Thursday with Rev. Juan Carlos officiating. Burial followed at Portales Cemetery.

She passed away Monday, February 18, 2002 at the home of her daughter in Bovina following a lengthy illness.

Guadalupe was born June 22, 1960 in Saragosa to Elvira and Hilario Perez. She lived the majority of her life in Portales and she also lived in Liberal, Kansas. She most recently made her home in Bovina with her daughter, Elpidia.

She was preceded in death by her father.

Survivors include four daughters, Angela Perez of Clovis, New Mexico, Elpidia Solis of Bovina, Amy Naylor of Portales and Hilda Lorea of McMinnville, Tennessee; her mother of Portales; two brothers, Chon Perez and Rudy Perex, both of Los Lunas.

Also, six sisters, Dolores Hernandez of Phoenix, Arizona, Anita Perez and Maria Perez, both of Portales, Lydia Alarcon of Mulshoe, Emma Perez of Fort Worth and Herminia Perez of Portales; and eleven grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Pedro Perez, Federico Soliz, Manuel Loera, Ivis Melendez, Miguel Melendez and Martin Melendez.

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THE TABLES were set and the brains were buzzing during the Bovina Chess Club match February 14. City manager Ernest Terry, standing, challenged all the players.

## TTUHSC Offers New Program For Rural Health Care Students

Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center has announced a new program to assist undergraduate and graduate-level students at Texas Tech pursuing health care educations. The new financial support program is part of an overall rural health initiative being launched by TTUHSC.

The Rural Health Education Stipend Program is geared to address the shortage of health professionals in rural West Texas by easing the expense of college for rural students. Patti Patterson, M.D., vice president of rural and community health at TTUHSC, says the best way to address the need for health professionals in rural areas is to help rural students pursue an education in health care.

"The Rural Health Education Stipend Program is an excellent way for rural students to gain an education that will enable them to go back to a rural community and make a difference," said Patterson.

This new program at Texas Tech University is available to entering Texas resident freshmen showing a substantial interest in health careers in rural Texas. Awards are based on demonstrated commitment to a rural health career and academic history.

The stipend amount for undergraduate students at Texas Tech University is \$2,500 per year for a maximum of four years, and is renewable providing the student maintains a 3.2 grade point average. The student must demonstrate a commitment to rural health practice by participating in rural health focused activities while enrolled at Texas Tech.

The deadline for applying is March 15, 2002.

The Rural Health Education Stipend Program also is available to students enrolled at TTUHSC. For more information contact Shannon Kirkland at (806)743-1338, or visit the Web site at <https://www.remedy.ttuhscc.edu/orch/letter.asp>.

# BOVINA REFLECTIONS

...from the files of The Bovina Blade

**45 Yrs Ago-Feb. 20, 1957**  
The Adrian Matadors and the Happy Cowgirls were winners of their respective brackets of the annual District 3-B Basketball Tournament held last week in Williford Gym. Adrian's margin of victory was close-a one point win over Bovina's Mustangs in the final game.

Seven arrests were made in Parmer County over the past weekend, reports County Sheriff Charles Lovelace.

Henry Minter and John Wilson, city employees, attended a regular monthly meeting of city waterworks employees in the Panhandle Thursday night in Amarillo. Mrs. E.J. Hodges, a newcomer to Bovina, was named a new member at the regular semimonthly meeting of Bovina Women's Study Club Thursday afternoon.

**40 Yrs Ago-Feb. 21, 1962**  
City politics received a new shot in the arm this week when three men, all newcomers to the political scene, were petitioned for candidates as Bovina Mayor.

Preliminary plans for establishing a civil defense organization for the Bovina area were made at a meeting Monday night of some 25 interested men.

Bovina Restaurant was the scene of a breakfast meeting for Bovina Church of Christ women Wednesday morning. They discussed a food committee and made plans for visiting and aiding the sick.

**35 Yrs Ago-Feb. 22, 1967**  
Contracts of administrators of Bovina Schools were renewed at a special meeting of the board of trustees Friday morning. The board extended the contract of Superintendent Otis Spears for an additional year-to July of 1969.

Darrel Read, Bovina High basketball and baseball coach, has submitted his resignation, effective at the end of the present school year.

Durward Bell, will be a candidate for re-election to the board of trustees of Bovina Independent School District in the April 1 election.

**30 Yrs Ago-Feb. 23, 1972**  
Leon Ware, who farms west of Bovina, received the High Grower Award at the annual meeting of Texas-New Mexico Sugar Beet Growers Saturday night in Hereford.

An open house at night and a special invitation to students and other patrons of Bovina Independent School District will be highlights of observance of Texas Public Schools Week here.

Some 200 people attended the annual sausage dinner at St. Ann's Catholic Church at the Parish Hall. Door prize winners included Estela Rejino, a bird house, and Mrs. Thil Lloyd of Amarillo, a flower arrangement.

Fire had almost destroyed a hay stack on the A.A. Allen farm northwest of Bovina Friday morning before Bovina's fire department could reach the scene.

**25 Yrs Ago-Feb. 23, 1977**  
A city election, scheduled for Saturday, April 2, was called at a recent meeting of the City Council.

As of noon, Tuesday, February 22, no applications or petitions for Council positions had been filed, according to City Manager Larry D. Gilley.

Although they did not win a Grand Champion designation this year, exhibitors from Bovina were definitely in evidence at the 30th annual Parmer County Junior Livestock Show in Friona; last weekend. Bovina entries led the field in qualifying animals for the sale with a total of 48.

Lezli A. Williams, Bovina High School, has been named 1977 General Mills Family Leader of Tomorrow. Lezli won the honor by scoring highest in the school in a written knowledge and aptitude examination administered to high school seniors here and throughout the country in December.

**20 Yrs Ago-Feb. 24, 1982**  
Post office officials at the

Bovina Post office are delighted with their newest addition...200 new key locked, closed front boxes. The new addition makes a total of 800 boxes for Bovina with the rural carriers making the daily mail distribution to a figure of about 912.

At the Parmer County Jr. Livestock Show, Bret Whitten exhibited the grand champion lamb, a Suffolk and Jon Riddle had the reserve champion, a fine wool. Tracy Moore had the champion Hampshire lamb.

**15 Yrs Ago-Feb. 25, 1987**  
Nationally known author and humorist, John Erickson, will entertain at the Bovina Chamber of Commerce Banquet.

Ray Spence began his duties last week as police officer in the City of Bovina.

The Bovina area received about eight inches of snow which continued to fall three days and nights. Travelers' advisories were posted during the snow, but roads were not closed.

**10 Yrs Ago-Feb. 22, 1992**  
The Bovina High School Mustangs will face Whiteface in their bi-district basketball game on Friday, February 28 at Shallowater.

Area farmers and ginners are continuing to work on the 1991 cotton crop. Harvest and ginning of the crop has been delayed considerably due to the unusually wet spell of December and January. "We should finish up in a couple of weeks if the weather permits," said Kim Black, Bovina Gin employee, this week.

**5 Yrs Ago-Feb. 22, 1997**  
Fillies basketball leaders Bonnie Quintana and Lisa Hromas were selected as first team all-district players in District 3-2A for the 1996-97 season. All five Fillies started were selected to all-district status.

Bovina third-grader Elizabeth Ortiz has been accepted as a participant in the Miss National Pre-Teen competition scheduled for March 14-16 in Waco. She is

the daughter of Carol Ortiz and the late Andrew Ortiz of Bovina.



## W.M. JOHNSON Bovinan's Father Died Feb. 17

Walter M. Johnson, 73, of Sundown, better known as "Papa" or Walt, died Sunday, February 17, 2002.

In celebration of his life, a plaque will be presented in his memory on Memorial Day at Resthaven Cemetery in Lubbock.

His body was donated to the Texas Tech Health Science Center.

Johnson was born April 2, 1928, in Tolbert. He married Betty Sue Carter on July 30, 1949, in Sundown.

He worked as an irrigation engineer for WaterMaster of Lubbock. He resided in Sundown, after being a longtime resident of Brownfield.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Henry and Grace Johnson of Sundown.

Survivors include his wife Betty; a son, Gene Johnson of Plains; two daughters, Monica Priest of Sundown and Tiffany Rhodes, wife of Chad Rhodes, of Bovina.

Also, a sister, Nelda Grace Stogsdill of Littlefield, nine grandchildren, including Rowdee and Mykelti Rhodes of Bovina, and eight great-grandchildren.



FILLIES BASKETBALL is just a memory but we still have some pictures to share. Above, Christen Stowers (21) looks on as April Martinez looks for a teammate to pass to.

ron carr photo

### Card of Thanks

Thank you to everyone who sent cards, made phone calls and came by my home following the death of my mother, Balma Dunham. Your kindness was a great comfort during this time of loss.

Thank you,  
Gladys Wright B-1tc

## Crown of Texas Hospice

Celebrating 10 Years of Comfort & Compassion When It's Needed Most

### "Celebration of Life" Service

Crown of Texas Hospice families, volunteers & staff will gather together to celebrate the memories and lives of loved ones.

**Sunday, February 24, 2002**  
2:00 p.m. at Genesis Church  
Hereford, Texas

N. Hwy. 385, 1/2 mile North of 15th Street  
Community Welcome

Please feel free to bring a photograph of your loved one or family for our Memory Table.

For more information, please call (806) 372-7696 or (800) 572-6365

# Panhandle/South Plains Population Figures

<b>DALLAM</b> 6,222 (+13.94) Dalhart 7,237	<b>SHERMAN</b> 3,186 (+11.4) Stratford 1,991	<b>HANSFORD</b> 5,369 (-8.2) Spearman 3,021	<b>OCHILTREE</b> 9,066 (-1.34) Perryton 7,774	<b>LIPSCOMB</b> 3,057 (-2.74) Booker 1,315	
<b>HARTLEY</b> 5,537 (+32.3) (Part of Dalhart)	<b>MOORE</b> 20,121 (+12.6) Dumas 13,747	<b>HUTCHINSON</b> 23,857 (-7.1) Borger 14,302 Fritch 2,235	<b>ROBERTS</b> 867 (-13.5) Miami 588	<b>HEMPHILL</b> 3,351 (-9.9) Canadian 2,233	
<b>OLDHAM</b> 2,185 (-4.1) Vega 936	<b>POTTER</b> 113,546 (+16.0) Amarillo 173,627	<b>CARSON</b> 6,516 (-0.9) Panhandle 2,589	<b>GRAY</b> 22,744 (-5.1) Pampa 17,887	<b>WHEELER</b> 5,284 (-10.1) Shamrock 2,029 Wheeler 1,378	
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<b>PARMER</b> 0,016 (+1.55) Friona 3,854 Bovina 1,874 Farwell 1,364	<b>CASTRO</b> 8,285 (-8.75) Dimmitt 4,375 Hart 1,198	<b>SWISHER</b> 8,378 (+3.0) Tulia 5,117	<b>BRISCOE</b> 1,790 (-9.2) Silverton 771	<b>HALL</b> 3,782 (-3.15) Memphis 2,479	<b>CHILDRESS</b> 7,688 (+2.9) Childress 6,778
<b>BAILEY</b> 6,594 (-6.65) Mulshoe 4,530	<b>LAMB</b> 14,709 (-2.41) Littlefield 6,507 Olton 2,288	<b>HALE</b> 36,602 (+5.6) Plainview 22,336 Abernathy 2,839 Hale Center 2,263	<b>FLOYD</b> 7,771 (-8.74) Floydada 3,676 Lockney 2,056	<b>MOTLEY</b> 1,426 (-6.9) Matador 740	<b>COTTLE</b> 1,904 (-15.2) Paducah 1,498
<b>COCHRAN</b> 3,730 (-14.78) Morton 2,249	<b>HOCKLEY</b> 22,716 (-6.1) Levelland 12,866 Anton 1,200	<b>LUBBOCK</b> 242,628 (+8.98) Lubbock 199,564 Slaton 6,109 Shallowater 2,086	<b>CROSBY</b> 7,072 (-3.2) Crosbyton 1,874	<b>DICKENS</b> 2,762 (+7.2) Spur 1,088	<b>KING</b> 356 (+5.6) Guthrie 160

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(Figures in parenthesis on the county chart indicate the growth or loss percentages from the 1990 census to the 2000 census)

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# Out Here

by Ron Carr

"Getting Curled In Salt Lake City"

Hallelujah, it's almost over! The Winter Olympics will be history after the closing ceremonies Sunday night.

As soon as the closing ceremonies are over, hundreds of Olympic hopefuls will immediately begin training for the next winter games. After all, to the luge and archery teams, four years is not very long to really get in shape.

The best part is the next Olympics will be held somewhere besides America. With our economy on the slide, we don't really have the necessary bribe money in our budget to hold the games in America for awhile.

They say Olympic security alone will cost \$360 million this year. (Just like in Iraq, the government established no-fly zones over Utah.) That is a lot of money to see who can ski down hill the fastest or speed skate to victory on an icy oval track.

Don't forget that several Olympic Committee officials

and Salt Lake organizers were also convicted of fraud and bribery before the games ever began.

The athletes and their coaches and sponsors and all the visitors to Salt Lake spend a bunch of cash on food, lodging and souvenirs. But I'm gonna' venture a guess that when all is said and done, it will be a money-losing proposition for Salt Lake and Utah and America.

Some say there is a lot of prestige in hosting the games. As a miserly accountant told me years ago, "Son, you can't put prestige in the bank."

The young athletes that do win gold medals, especially in the premier events like figure-skating and skiing, will become zillionaires from product endorsements and personal appearances. The rest of them can pack it in for now. See you in four years.

If I cared more about it, I would look up the history of some of the events of the winter games. Who ever thought up the luge? I reckon

a disgruntled bobsledder got tired of riding with three other people and decided to go it alone.

How about the event where they ski around and around a course and stop a couple of times for some target practice with a gun that's strapped to their backs. What is the history of that?

I do admit that, like you, I watch some of the events in case they fall down the mountain or skid across the ice rink and crash into the wall. Nothing like a good spill to liven up a dull night on TV.

My favorite event now though is curling. If you have ever played shuffleboard in a restaurant (or a bar), you have to love curling.

Curling is like shuffleboard except you get to stand on the board. You don't have to invest a lot of money in equipment either. Their uniforms consist of wind pants, golf shirts, slick-soled shoes and a long-handled broom. That's it.

And it is obvious you don't have to be in tip-top shape to be on an Olympic curling team. The guys on the U.S. men's team looked like rejects from a Budweiser commercial.

And the U. S. women's curling team? Let's just say those babes could be models for a full-figure catalog.

So you take this 42-pound "rock" with a handle on it. You get a sliding start and release the rock. Your teammates slide along with the rock, sweeping in front of it to control the speed. You don't get points for form or speed in this event.

The object is to stop the rock in the middle of a big bull's eye circle called "the house." That scores a point. Unless your opponent slides their rock into yours, knocking you to kingdom come and sticking their own rock in the house. Then they get the point.

Each team has four members: the shooter, two sweepers and one aimer. Each team gets five rocks per turn. When both teams have "slud" their five rocks, it is called an "inn." They play 10 inns and whoever has the most points wins.

If you have a rock in the house and put another one in front of it to block your opponent it is called "putting the britches on it."

The team with the last rock in an inn is said to have "the hammer." Having the hammer is an advantage, so it's best it's not squandered.

With the hammer, you can hurl your rock into the house and therefore scatter the enemy rocks without fear of retaliation, all the while hoping your own friendly rock will stick in the middle of the house garnering points for your team before preceding to the next inn.

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### Genesis Bible study at Calvary

Dr. Carolyn Ratcliffe will be teaching a Genesis Bible Study at Calvary Baptist Church in Friona on Sunday Feb 24 and Sunday Mar 3, from 2-5 p.m. The public is invited. There is no charge for this quality Bible study. For info call the church at 250-3000.

### St. Teresa's Mexican dinner Mar 3

St. Teresa's Catholic Church Ladies Society will host their Mexican dinner on Sunday, Mar 3, at the church hall in Friona. Menu will be enchiladas, tacos, beans, rice, chips & salsa, coffee, tea and dessert. Serving hours will be 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Donations are \$6 adult, \$3 children under 10 years. Take out orders will be available at no extra cost.

### Bovina town hall meeting Mar 7

The mayor and city council of Bovina invites everyone to a town hall meeting at the Bovina school cafeteria at 7 p.m. Mar 7 to discuss the proposed city sales tax issues that will be on the May 4, 2002, ballot: a 1/4 cent property tax reduction, a 1/2 cent economic development tax, and a 1/4 cent street maintenance tax.

### Modern Study Club luncheon Mar 9

Friona's Modern Study Club will hold a luncheon and game day at the Depot in City Park on Mar 9. Tickets are available from any member of MSC or call Donna Mears at 250-3456.

### Handweavers Guild meeting

The Palo Duro Handweaver's Guild monthly meeting is on February 28 at 7:30 p.m. in Amarillo. Anyone interested in weaving, spinning, dyeing or fiber arts is welcome. For meeting location or information call Becky Martin at 358-2765.

### "Earth Dome" at Friona Jr. High Mar 5

A static display entitled "The Earth Dome" will be presented to the students and staff at Friona junior high on Tuesday, Mar 5. The 22' X 17' high exact replication of the Earth is built to scale and allows students to put themselves into perspective of continents, oceans, mountains and rivers. The exhibit is provided by Mobile Ed Productions of Redford, Michigan. It will be set up in the junior high gymnasium.

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CONAGRA BEEF COMPANY purchased sweat suit uniforms for the Special Olympics kids. The red uniforms say "Friona Chieftains Special Olympics" across the shirt. Some of the young athletes visited ConAgra to say thanks. Above, back, 1-r, Donna Mullins, Special Olympics coordinator, Stormi Roberson, ConAgra, Paul Salinas, Raul Rios, Delinda Lee, ConAgra office manager, Cindy Simmons, ConAgra. Front, 1-r, Lourdes Benavides, ConAgra and Felissa Dominguez. (photo courtesy of ConAgra)



FRIONA STAR managing editor Ron Carr, center, spoke to Friona and Bovina Boy Scouts on the subject of journalism. The youngsters learned about different sections of the newspaper and journalism as a career.

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VALENTINE ROYALTY at Prairie Acres. Crowned as Valentine King and Queen during Prairie Acres' Valentine party were residents David Woodruff and Mattie Rushing.



RESIDENTS at Prairie Acres enjoyed food and refreshments during their annual Valentine's Day party. The Prairie Acres auxiliary volunteers provided the fun and decorations too.

### Local 4-H'ers Compete At San Antonio Show

Parmer County was well represented during the San Antonio Junior Livestock Show held February 10-16. In the swine barn, over 4,000 head of barrows were exhibited by young people from across the State of Texas. Only 330 barrows were selected for the premium sale, which was held on February 16. Local exhibitors making the premium sale and their placings are as follows: Dan

Patterson, second place Cross; D'Anna DeLeon, third place Cross; Drew Johnson, fifth place Hampshire; Jennifer DeLeon, first place Cross; and Josh Curtis, first place cross. Other 4-H'ers representing Parmer County were Kari Schilling, Leesa Patterson, Luke Schwertner, Ryan Mason, Logan Mason, Suzanne Aragon, Ty Gonser, Brittany Gonser, Colton Christian, Drake King, Kade Foster and Khallie Foster.

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# Women's Building, New Seminars Offer Diversity

The New Mexico Ag Expo, February 26 and 27, sponsored by New Mexico Bank and Trust and Plateau Wireless, offers new seminars and demonstrations along with an entire building filled with enticing booths offering a more diversified Expo for the entire family.

The Women's Building hosts vendors representing varied non-agricultural related booth displays. Vendors will have western artwork, antiques, western decor, candles, cookware, home decor, make-up, woodcrafts, paintings and much more on display and to sell.

"Our building is geared toward any type of family event-gift giving, self-giving and home decor," Bargas said. "The building is just a beautiful and pleasant experience for anyone who attends the Ag Expo." Bargas added that a complete schedule of events, seminars and demonstrations would be available on the Expo grounds.

Tumbleweed Trading Post has been a participant for the past several years according to owner Nicki McCallie. Her booth will feature antique western home decor and western designed iron bits and pieces.

"I have vibrant colors and my booth is right up front by the big doors. The follow up business I have received has been great and it has really helped advertise my business to attendees from all over New Mexico and West Texas."

A new addition to the Women's Building will be

Connie Moyers' demonstration. Moyers is the extension home economist for Roosevelt County. Her demonstration entitled Cooking Ahead for One, Two, or a Crew, will be at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, February 27. Moyers' program will include recipes and demonstrations for dishes that can be cooked ahead and are heart healthy.

"I'll talk about food preparation and cooking while doing the live demonstration," Moyers said. "Everyone will get to sample the dishes and there will be a recipe booklet available for purchase."

Admission is free to the Ag Expo and spectators can register to win a 16' stock trailer. Over 450 exhibitors are expected to attend offering the latest advancements and products made throughout the agricultural industry.

The annual Farm/City/Eastern New Mexico University/Cannon Air Force base Banquet sponsored by Wells Fargo, ENMU and Roosevelt County Farm Bureau will be held Monday, February 25 at 7 p.m. in the Campus Union Building on the ENMU campus. Tickets are on sale at the Roosevelt County Chamber of Commerce and can be purchased at the door for \$20.

For Women's Building booth information, contact Michelle Bargas at (505)356-8208. For information about the New Mexico Ag Expo, contact the Roosevelt County Chamber of Commerce at (505)356-8541 or 800-635-8036 or e-mail at chamber@portales.com or log onto the Expo web site at www.nmagexpo.com

# Cotton News

(From Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.)

BY SHAWN WADE

The recent National Cotton Council Annual Meeting in Dallas included a bright spot for High Plains cotton producers as one of their own was elected to lead the producer arm of the cotton industry's national interest organization.

Farwell, Texas cotton producer Mark Williams was elected to serve as the new Chairman of the American Cotton Producers of the National Cotton Council. Williams replaced outgoing ACP Chairman Hollis Isbell of Muscle Shoals, Alabama.

Williams' ascension comes at a critical time for cotton producers as the industry continues working hard to secure passage of an improved farm program that will more securely underpin all of U.S. agriculture.

In other ACP elections, Sam Spruell, Mt. Hope, AL, and Jon W. Harwick, Newellton, LA, were elected vice chairmen. John H. Pucheu, Jr., Tranquillity, CA, was also re-elected as an ACP vice chairman.

Elected as new ACP regional directors are: Roy Baxley, Dillon, SC, representing the Southeast; Daniel T. Branton, Leland, MS, representing the Mid-South; and Woody Anderson, Colorado City, TX, representing the Southwest; and Williams as the director at-large. Re-elected as a regional director was Charles K. "Chuck" Youngker, Buckeye, AZ, representing the West.

Elected ACP state

producer chairmen were: Alabama - Mike Tate, Hazel Green; Arizona-Wiley Murphy, Tucson; Arkansas-Laudies D. Brantley, Jr., England; California- Don Cameron, Helm; Georgia -C.B. Coley, Vienna; Florida - B.E. Sonny Davis, Cottondale; Louisiana-Boyd Holley, Bastrop; Mississippi-Robert A. Carson, Jr., Marks; Missouri-Illinois-Steve C. Droke, Hornersville, Mo; New Mexico -Bob Mayberry, Lake Arthur; North Carolina - David Grant, Garysburg; Oklahoma-Kansas Dan Robbins, Altus, OK; South Carolina - Frank B. Rogers, III, Bennettsville; Tennessee/Kentucky - John Willis, Brownsville; Texas - Craig D. Shook, Corpus Christi; and Virginia - Ceyl Byrum, Windsor.

With passage of the Senate's Farm Bill alternative the stage is set to begin the next to last leg of the Farm Bill development process.

Following the President's Day break, House of Representative and Senate members will come together to work out the differences between their respective efforts to rewrite farm program legislation.

Since Senate approval of a highly restrictive payment limitation amendment last week there has been a considerable groundswell of support for the provisions contained in the House's Farm Bill.

Considerable uncertainty still exists regarding the final outcome and the speed with which the conference will be

conducted due to the many issues, beyond payment limits, that differ between the two Bills.

As an industry cotton continues to work toward completion of a Farm Bill that most closely resembles the Bill approved by the House last October. Much work remains to be done, however, until that goal can be completed.

Although official announcements of the Conferees from each body have not been made, a probable line-up from each side can be speculated.

On the Senate side conferees will likely be named according to a 4-3 party split that reflects the make-up of the Agriculture Committee. Senate conferees, therefore, are likely to be Senate Majority Leader and Tom Daschle (D-SD), Kent Conrad (D-ND), Patrick Leahy (D-VT), Ag Committee

Chairman Tom Harkin (D-IA), Richard Lugar (R-IN), Jesse Helms (R-NC), and Thad Cochran (R-MS).

Speculation of potential House conferees is strictly based on that bodies past practice of naming the Chairman and ranking member from the Agriculture Committee and each of its sub-committees. It has been indicated that an 8-6 format will guide the House contingent.

Using this as a guideline, probable House conferees would be: Republicans Larry Combest (TX), Saxby Chambliss (GA), Frank Lucas (OK), Bob Goodlatte (VA), Richard Pombo (CA) and Terry Everett (AL) plus an additional 2 at-large Republican members; and, Democrats Charles Stenholm (TX), Cal Dooley (CA), Eva Clayton (NC), Collin Peterson (MN), Gary Condit (CA), and Tim Holden (PA).

## Cost Share Signup Underway


Parmer County is currently involved in a government cost share program (EQIP) that is targeted toward producers that are considering installing irrigation practices. Installing underground pipeline, drip irrigation, converting sprinkler packages, etc...that would help conserve the underground water will be considered for cost share.

Parmer County is included in a "priority area" that addresses these concerns. The sign-up will continue until March 29 at which the ranking window will close.

The benefits of this program are: cost share up to 75 per cent of the cost of the practice possible; maximum cost share for each producer is \$50,000; and contracts will range from 5-10 years.

Contract will need to be worked up and sent in to the NRCS state office by June 1, 2002 for final selection, so anyone interested in signing up for cost share for the spring 2002 would not qualify. If you have questions or need more information, come by or call the local NRCS office, (806)481-3311.

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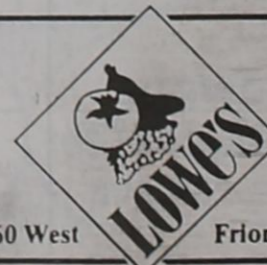
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The following are authorizing the Friona Star-Bovina Blade to announce their candidacy for political office, subject to the party primaries March 12:

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 Fred Ferguson  
 Valton Howard

#### DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY County Judge:

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Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Martha Evelyn Bates, Deceased, were issued on February 12, 2002, in Cause No. 2498, pending in the County Court of Parmer County, Texas, to: Dwight L. Bates and Phillip D. Bates.

The residence of the Co-Independent Executors is Mesquite, Dallas County, Texas and Lubbock, Lubbock County, Texas; the post office address is:

c/o: Byron J. Boyd  
 Attorney at Law  
 P.O. Box 398  
 Friona, Texas 79035


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

DATED the 13th day of February, 2002.

BYRON J. BOYD, P.C.  
 ATTORNEY AT LAW  
 P.O. BOX 398  
 FRIONA, TEXAS 79035  
 TELEPHONE: (806)250-2716  
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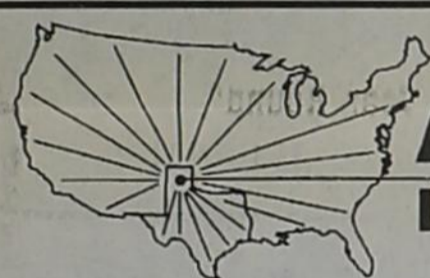
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### THANK YOU

We would like to thank all of those who have kept us in their thoughts and prayers during this troublesome time. A special thanks to Uncle Howard for lifting our spirits with such encouraging words of the Lord. Thanks to all of those who brought food, flowers, or sent a card. We hold each and every one of you close to our hearts. Thank you.

Chad, Tiffany, Rowdee and Mykelti Rhodes  
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 2 BR, 1 bath, 1 car, brick, good starter home.....\$37,000  
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## Commodities Are Focus For NFU...

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\$4.30 and \$2.00 per bushel respectively.

Because of the serious price declines, NFU led the effort to obtain emergency economic assistance in 1998, and when Congress provided less than was needed, NFU

## Happy Birthday Bovina

Birthdays for the week of February 24-March 2, 2002.

Feb 24 Ginger Bowman, Gracie Murillo, Carlene Jones Blankenship.

Feb 25 Elva Hernandez, Freddy Flores, Georgia Foster.

Feb 26 Martha Garner, Ken Foster, Wayne Foster.

Feb 27 Jordan Barrett, Ken Langlanais

Feb 28 Catalina Garcia, Asa Smith

Mar 2 Misty Pruitt

To add names to our birthday list call 251-1523.

If there are names on our list that need to be deleted due to a name change, death, moved away, etc, please let us know also. Thank you!

led the effort to get President Clinton to veto the Congressional package, which caused Congress to double the amount to farmers in 1998. Again, in 1999, 2000 and 2001, NFU was at the forefront in urging Congress to pass additional emergency economic assistance. It is important for producers to remember that the emergency economic assistance provided from 1998 through 2001 was not part of Freedom To Farm.

We make no apologies for our efforts to secure larger payments to producers over the past four years. We did so because Congress refused to make the necessary changes in farm policy to improve market prices, and this was the only way for farmers and ranchers to survive during this period of extremely low commodity prices.

The three most important issues farmers and ranchers are facing are price, price and price! Until policy makers understand the fundamental reason for low prices (i.e., full production) then unintended consequences such as restrictive payment limits will continue to be relevant issues if we are to continue to expect support for agriculture in a Congress dominated by members with little direct connection to farming.

Given the adverse publicity farm programs have received over the past few months, it is not surprising to see Congress act on the matter. When policymakers read daily stories regarding non-farmers receiving payments, such as billionaires, sports stars, universities and Fortune 500 companies; or individuals receiving approximately \$40 million over the past five years, then it does not take a rocket scientist to figure out changes will be forthcoming.

The lack of support for addressing these problems in a responsible way has created a black eye for all farmers, including hard-working family farmers. Payments to non-farmers have jeopardized all farm programs. Many in agriculture decided the best approach to this issue was to ignore the problem, and chose not to take positive steps to reconcile obvious problems. This is a serious mistake in both the short-term and long-term. The Bush administration has stated that a structure of farm programs which provides support on every bushel or pound of production leads to overproduction and lower prices, driving greater concentration and higher farm program costs.

It is true that some Texas producers could be impacted by the payment limitation proposal, but only if the Senate amendment becomes part of the final language approved by the House/Senate Conference Committee, the full House of Representatives, the Senate, and signed into law by President George W. Bush. Therefore, there are numerous steps in the process that allow for modification of the amendment or its elimination before the provision becomes law.

It is not too late for policymakers to make the changes necessary to address the real problem of low prices resulting from full production. No business in the world can continually out-produce the demand for its product without affecting the price that it is going to receive. Agriculture is no different. We can and must do better. A farm policy that must increasingly rely on government payments for the bulk of farm income is not sustainable. Restoring the tools to allow farmers to receive their income from the market is better for farmers, rural communities and American taxpayers. This is the goal of Farmers Union.

## CCC Hosts Exploration Fair Tues.

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JOSH KERBY WILL SEE YOU NEXT YEAR!

**VANESSA LYNN WALKER and KORY LANCE MITCHELL...Mr. and Mrs. Tom Walker and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Mitchell announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their children, Vanessa Lynn and Kory Lance. The couple will exchange wedding vows Saturday, March 2 at 5 p.m. in The Hodges Chapel of First Christian Church, 2323 Broadway, Lubbock. A reception will follow the ceremony. No local invitations were sent.**



## Bovina Bits

BY BECKY

Phone Becky London at 806-250-2211 or 238-1146  
When you have news items. (e-mail: case @wtrt.net)

Mickey and Delmira Gonzales' daughter and new granddaughter, Jackie and Saria Lynda Martinez of Plainview have been in town visiting this week. Little Saria was born January 23 in Lockney. Her dad, Jose, was unable to come to Bovina for the visit.

The Gonzales have another grandchild, Gabriel, who is almost three. His parents are Josue and Imelda Gonzales of Bovina.

\*\*\*\*\*  
Friends say long time Bovinan, Odus White, is now a resident at Prairie Acres Nursing Home. Odus is a nice man and would probably enjoy the company of neighbors at this time.

\*\*\*\*\*  
Irma Jo Englant and her brother and sister-in-law, J.D. and Bertha Kelley of Pleasant Hill, New Mexico went to Plainview Monday afternoon to meet with their

cousin, Laverne Wallace of Wichita Falls.

After visiting in Plainview, the family members went to Hale Center to see their aunt and former Bovinan, Sid Lloyd.

Irma Jo said Sid has been ill lately and decided to go stay with her son, Don Lloyd for a while. He was there on Monday to take her to his home in Grand Prairie.

\*\*\*\*\*  
We met an interesting lady Wednesday at Dorothy Stowers' Fantasy Beauty Salon. Her name is Anne Watson of Long Beach, California, and she will be 101 on April 2. She came to Bovina to stay with her daughter, Monique Cole, for a while.

Monique's oldest son, Larry Hart of Beulton, California, drove Mrs. Watson to Texas in his pickup back before the Christmas holidays and she has been here ever since. Monique said Larry runs a dialysis clinic back in California.

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To report your news of out-of-town company and travels, call Becky London at 238-1146 or 251-1523 or email: case@wtrt.net.

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