

MY TURN

By
Carol Ellis



IF THE CHILDREN are in school then it must be fall. I dropped in at an office supply store Monday to get some mending tape and every mother and child in the Texas Panhandle was there with long lists of school supplies in hand. They were all standing in the aisle where the mending tape was located. I left without buying any.

This pretty well yanks us out of those lazy, hazy days of summer and plops us smack into the middle of all those things we said we'd think about later "in the fall."

The tomatoes are red and ripe on the vine now, and our sunset walk around the neighborhood is happening a little bit earlier each evening. The calendar has something written on practically every space. I got my first Christmas catalogue in the mail the other day (August 17 to be exact) and Bill has actually cleaned off his desk, which is a truly momentous occasion.

The beginning of fall should be the beginning of the new year because that is when everything gets started again. It seems like, whether we have little ones in school or not, the whole of our lives revolves around when school is in session or when the kids are out for vacation. I wonder how we'll ever manage to arrange the seasons of our lives when and if the system is changed to a year-round school session.

Count me as an "old fogey" who is set in her ways and hates to see anything change from the "way it's always been." Of course I can see the advantages of a year-round school system. The largest facilities in all our towns and cities sit idle for two and a half to three months out of every year during the summer months while the youngsters are off on vacation. Parents scurry around trying to find something to keep the kids busy... swimming lessons, basketball camp, Vacation Bible School, etc. In the big city ghettos, bored teens get into much more trouble during the long hot days of Summer.

The current schedule with nine months of school and three months off during the summer, was started when agriculture was the main method of making a living in this country, and youngsters were needed to help around the family farm during the summer months. In some areas, that schedule still works quite well.

School sessions, in the year-round system, would be staggered into six weeks of school, two weeks off, six weeks on, or some similar type of schedule. I foresee problems. If Susie gets her two weeks off in October, her brother Stephen gets his two weeks in December and Dad gets his two-week vacation in June, what is going to happen to the traditional family vacation?

Camps, amusement parks, and other places that depend on tourist business will end up going out of business. Summer tourist attractions such as Six Flags, Disneyworld, the TEXAS outdoor musical drama, etc. will not survive.

Then say, Johnny goes out for football and his two-weeks off fall the first two weeks of November, right during the play-offs. He'll have to continue to go to practice every day and be available for the games even though he is supposed to be on vacation. I guess these problems will get ironed out somehow or other when the time comes.

Meanwhile, working mothers are now busy figuring out what to do with the kids for that hour after school until Mom or Dad get home from work. Evenings will now be spent nagging the kids to get their homework done, and figuring out what everyone is going to wear tomorrow.

So, it's time to pack away the trappings of Summer... the beach towels, suntan lotion, sandals and roadmaps. Get out the jackets and sweaters, fire up the computers, put our lives on fast forward, and get back on track. The calendar says it is yet three weeks away, but school has started, so fall is here.



MISS BOVINA PAGEANT...Shown are the young ladies who participated in the 1994 Miss Bovina Pageant held on August 18. (l-r): Kasey Bell, Sally Noriega, Lori Beauchamp, "Miss Bovina 1994" Brooke Charles, Tammy Stormes, Rachael Turner.

Exit Level Fall TAAS/TEAMS Tests Scheduled

Exit level tests for TAAS and TEAMS will be given October 18-20. Anyone not registered as a student in school who needs to retake TAAS or TEAMS in order to complete requirements for a high school diploma may register for the test at the Bovina High School counselor's office.

The testing dates are:
TAAS: writing on Tuesday, October 18, 1994; reading on Wednesday, October 19, 1994; and mathematics on Thursday, October 20, 1994.

TEAMS: English-language-arts on Wednesday, October 19, 1994 and mathematics on Thursday, October 20, 1994.

Friona and Farwell are testing sites in Parmer County for the October 1994 test.

Bull Town Days A Great Success

The 1994 Bull Town Days was a great success! Many people came out and enjoyed the events and the cooler weather on Saturday.

There were several arts and crafts booths set up in the park, a face-painting booth, and food booths.

The barbecue, hosted by the Bovina Chamber of Commerce was delicious. Approximately 450 people were served.

Belinda Ware was the winner of the hot tub given away by the Bovina Chamber of Commerce.

Paula Salizar was the winner of a \$1,200 trip to the destination of her choice, given away by the Bovina Volunteer Fire Department.

The Little Buckaroo Rodeo, the 3-2 Softball Tournament, Team Roping, the Parade, the Pet Show, and the Dance were all well-attended and enjoyed.

Lumber Co. Closing --90 Years Locally

Sherrill Lumber Co., the oldest continuing local business in Bovina, will close for business after Wednesday, August 31, according to Jay and Patsy Sherrill, owners.

The company will stay open for collection purposes through September 10, the owners said. It is planned to hold an auction sale of the company's stock at a later date.

"We want to thank the residents of Bovina and the area for their business and support for the past 28 years. We hate to have to close the business, but there comes a time that you want to ease up and do

something else," Sherrill said.

Sherrill has been associated with the lumber company for 42 years, moving to Bovina with his family in 1953. It was known as Cicero-Smith Lumber Co. at that time, and the manager was Aubrey Brock.

Brock left the company in 1966 to start an insurance business, and Sherrill was named the manager.

"The community and its businesses have given us the means to raise four children. Your support has not only kept Sherrill Lumber Co. thriving, but also has provided the foundation for our four children

and their families," the Sherrills said.

The Sherrill children, Steve, Terry, Wendy and Patti, all have worked at the Lumber Co. at one time or another.

Steve graduated from Bovina High School in 1970, and West Texas State University in 1978. He is assistant vice-president for First National Bank of Panhandle. He is married to Trish, and has three children, Melissa of Fort Worth and Scott and Traci of Panhandle.

Terry graduated from BHS in 1984 and WTSU in 1978. He is a CPA for Dean Cluck Cattle Co. of

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BTD Roping Contest Results

A team roping contest was sponsored by the Bovina Roping Club on Saturday during Bovina's Bull Town Days. "It was pretty successful and we had a fair turnout," reported Steve Cockerham, a spokesman for the group.

Thirty teams competed in the first team roping event. The first place team received \$50 each and a "Bull Town Days" belt buckle each. They were Denny McBride of Clovis, New Mexico and Carter Callan of Friona and they roped three head in 39.02 seconds.

The second place team consisting of Denny McBride and Jason Floyd of Friona received \$50 each and roped three head in 39.04 seconds.

Stephen Stephenson of Bovina and Jason Floyd came in third and received \$25 each and roped three head in 40.02 seconds.

In the second team roping event for the day, 20 teams competed. First place went to Stephen Stephenson of Bovina and Cody Burney of Friona. They each received \$21.

The second place team of Stephen Stephenson of Bovina and Carter Callan of Friona received \$14 each.

Brooke Charles Wins "Miss Bovina" Pageant

The second annual "Miss Bovina" pageant was held on Thursday, August 18, with six girls competing.

Brooke Charles won the title of "Miss Bovina, 1994." She is the daughter of Billy Jay and Barbara Charles and is a senior at Bovina High School. She was crowned by Darla Stormes, the winner of last year's Miss Bovina contest.

The other girls who participated in the pageant were Kasey Bell, Sally Noriega, Tammy Stormes, Lori Beauchamp, and Rachael Turner.

The girls were judged on personality, appearance in sportswear and formal dress, and her responses to questions.

The judges were Chris Lee, a hair stylist from Clovis, New Mexico; Holly Jones, a mother of two, employed by Kendrick Oil of Friona; and John Lee, air traffic controller at Cannon AFB from Clovis, New Mexico.

The master of ceremonies for the evening was Norma Whitten. She asked questions of the girls and entertained the audience with history and facts about Bovina.

Lori Smith was chairperson for the Miss Bovina pageant. Those serving with her on the committee were: Christi Riddle, Starla Clayton, Belinda Dale, Leah Mason, and Libby Holman.

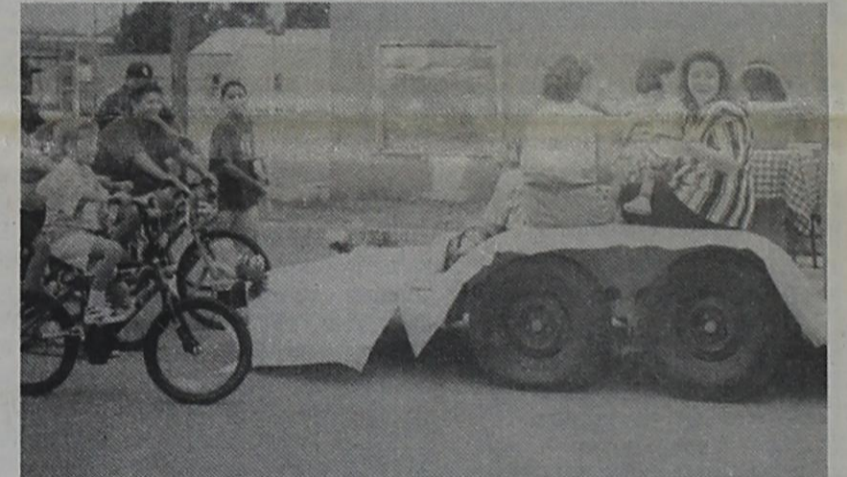
The businesses who sponsored the Miss Bovina contest were: L & L Cattle, Sandra Johnson, CPA, First Bank-Bovina, McCallum

Insurance, Dudley's Auto Parts, Fast-Stop, Grissom Cattle Company, Sherry Grain Company, Parmer County Spraying, Northside Motors, Read's Quarterhorses, T-Bone Equipment and Salvage, Sherrill Lumber Company and Bovina Gin, Inc.

Also, Bovina Irrigation, Floral Expressions, Fantasy Beauty Salon, Agri-Sprayers, Terra International, Kerby Welding, Bovina Pump, Lowe's Grocery Store, Charles Oil Company, Line Camp Cafe, Caprock Industries, Kubin Air, Town and Country Vet, and Kevin's Auto.



"MISS BOVINA"
BROOKE CHARLES



BTD PARADE SCENE...Shown are members of the homemakers group on their float followed by kids riding their bicycles.

Pet Show Results Given From BTD

Ribbons were given for first, second, and third places in four different categories in the pet show last Saturday during Bull Town Days.

For "Cutest Dog" five and under, Skylia Stormes won with her dog Derrick; Hannah Miller was second with her dog Fluffy; and Sydney Sorley was third with her dog Lucie.

For "Cutest Dog" six and up, Jonathan Cordova won first place with his dog Cocoa; Lindsey Pruitt came in second with dog Judy; Robert Kent third with dog Hershey.

For "Best Pet Trick" five and under, Sydney Sorley came in first with her dog Lucie; Hannah Miller was second with dog Fluffy; and Skylia Stormes was third with dog Derrick.

For "Best Pet Trick" six and up, Jason Stone came in first with his dog Jed; Thomas Grissom was second with his dog Sir Humphrey of Spring Haven; Wesley Kent was third with dog Hershey.

The pet show event was headed by Stan Miller and Arlene Brozek.

Judging the contest were Sue Nuttall, Phyllis Steelman, and Sammie Rodriguez.



AGE 5 & UNDER WINNERS IN PET SHOW...shown are (l-r) Sidney Sorley with her dog Lucie who won first place in "Best Pet Trick" and third place in "Cutest Dog"; Skylia Stormes (held by her aunt Tammy Stormes) with her dog Derrick who won first place in "Cutest Dog" and third place in "Best Pet Trick"; and Hannah Miller with her dog Fluffy who won second place in both "Cutest Dog" and "Best Pet Trick".



BARBECUE DINNER...Shown is the crowd at the barbecue hosted by the Bovina Chamber of Commerce on Saturday during Bull Town Days. Approximately 450 people were served.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

August 28--Coleman Moseley, Cheraye Spence, John Stormes, Buck Lloyd, D.T. King, Noel Ortiz.

August 29--Sam Garrison, Pam Bell, Celia Quintana.

August 30--Laura Bartlett, Dustin Riley, Justin Brozek, Amy Mirhashemi.

August 31--Tim Grissom.
September 1--Billy Harbison, Joe Looney.

September 3--Kristopher Guest, Virginia Rhodes.

(Editor's note: If someone in your family is observing a birthday, please call 238-1523, in advance, to get the name on our birthday calendar.)

It's A Boy For Couple

Ron and Diane Allred of Lubbock are parents of a baby boy. He has been named Jalen Ryne, and weighed eight pounds three ounces and measured twenty-two inches long.

The baby was born August 9th 5:30 p.m. at the Methodist Hospital.

Grandparents are Jim and Jan Heard of Bovina; Jim and Myrl Allred of Birmingham, Alabama; Troy and Margie Melton of Adamsville, Alabama; and great grandparents are Fred Allred and Helen Johnson of Birmingham.

This is the couple's first child.

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CLASSIFIED ADS

Bovina School Board will meet Monday, August 29 at 8:00 p.m. for the purpose of a budget hearing on the proposed 1994-95 budget. A hearing on the proposed tax rate for 1994-95 will also be held. The public is invited to attend.

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DARLA STORMES, 1993 "Miss Bovina" crowns the new 1994 "Miss Bovina" Brooke Charles at the pageant on August 18.



MUSTANG BAND marches in the Bull Town Days Parade.

Looking Up!

By Richard L. Grisham

Proverbs 17:22 reminds us of the importance of laughter. "A joyful heart is good medicine." (NASB) Being able to laugh at ourselves can sometimes save our sanity!

As in any profession, many

humorous things happen to ministers, although at the time they may not seem so funny, and are even quite embarrassing! Other happenings are simply unique and therefore memorable. They often still bring a smile.

One of the most embarrassing things to ever happen to me occurred during my pastorate in Plainview years ago. A certain couple who were members of the church had never attended. I found out she had recently been very sick and went to visit them. Sure enough, she lay ill and very pale, her hair disheveled, in the dim bedroom. Before I left, I had prayer with her and her husband.

A few weeks later, on Mother's Day, I went to the vestibule at the back of the auditorium after the morning sermon to shake hands with everyone as they left. The man I had visited came out accompanied by a woman several years his elder, who was all dressed up, had on makeup, and sported a new hairdo. Assuming his wife was still sick at home, I greeted him: "Good morning! It's so nice of you to bring your mother today! But how is your wife?"

I knew the minute I said it that I had goofed! Sure enough, it was his wife, not his mother! I had not recognized her since I had only seen her when she had been ill. There was no way out of the fiasco, so turning bright red, I opened my mouth again and inserted my other foot: "Oh, I'm sorry. I didn't realize you could look nice when you're not sick!"

One day as I preached at the little country church in Missouri where I pastored while attending seminary, I felt I had really done an excellent job. Everyone paid rapt attention all through the service. I was really pleased with myself!

Then afterwards, Velma, being the good pastor's wife she is, said, "All through the sermon, dear, there was this spider suspended from the ceiling on a strand of web. He would come down and almost touch your head, then go back up and come down again. Everyone was wondering if he would ever get off on your head!" So much for my spellbinding sermon!

I almost embarrassed myself again one time at the church in Plainview during a baptismal service. That was before I had any rubber waders and a baptismal robe to wear. I was scheduled to baptize (we Baptist dunk 'em) at the end of the service. But I had left my extra pants, underwear, and towel at home and did not want to get my nice suit pants wet.

Thankfully, the candidate for baptism was a young man. I decided rather than to postpone his baptism that I would tie an extra towel I found around my waist. No one would ever see me wade up in the baptism.

But alas! The towel was too short (or my middle too big)! So I had the young man I was to baptize to wire the towel in back with a clothes hanger. That was indeed the most memorable baptism I ever conducted in Plainview!

Reflections

....from the files of The Bovina Blade

35 Yrs. Ago--Sept. 3, 1959

William Charlie Dalton, 79, died Thursday evening in Parmer County Community Hospital. He had been in ill health for three years and was admitted to the hospital three weeks before his death.

Mrs. Lee H. Sudderth returned home Saturday afternoon from a six-day vacation in Colorado. She accompanied her son and family, Rev. and Mrs. Melvin Sudderth and children on a tour of Colorado Springs, Denver, Royal Gorge and other places of interest.

Rev. J. R. Woods, pastor of Oklahoma Lane Methodist Church, entered a Lubbock hospital the latter part of last week. He is suffering with a contagious variety of encephalitis, it is reported.

30 Yrs. Ago--Aug. 26, 1964

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Hromas will celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary Sunday, September 6, at the home of their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Hromas of Bovina.

Mrs. Lady Armstrong and granddaughters, Sheila and Rhonda Barbee, visited relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Lannie Wayne Bryant, in Greeley, Colorado last week.

Mrs. Edith Fleming and Billy Brookfield of Los Angeles, California, are visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Richards and other relatives in Friona.

25 Yrs. Ago--Aug. 27, 1969

Giles W. Williams, 88, prominent pioneer farmer and rancher in the Bovina area, died Monday afternoon in Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona following a long illness.

Bovina's Mustang Field will get new lighting for the forthcoming football season. In a special meeting Friday night, school board members contracted with Lee's Electric of Farwell to install 64 new light bulbs at the field replacing the present lighting system. This will increase the lighting power over the present set-up substantially.

20 Yrs. Ago--Aug. 28, 1974

Irrigation wells across Parmer

County are silent this week--some for the first time since February of this year-- following an official 6.29 inches of rain which began falling Wednesday night of last week and continued through Monday morning.

A break-in and burglary at Bonds Oil Company on Highway 60 sometime Monday night of last week netted the burglar or burglars, some \$1500 in merchandise, according to City Marshal Ronald Mitchell.

A special hospital fund for Donna McMakin, 12-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Webb of Bovina, has been set up in Bovina and is sponsored by the Triangle Emergency Club.

15 Yrs. Ago--Aug. 29, 1979

The Dimmitt Highway's edge looked more like a small river on August 24, when a flash flood hit the city. Farmers in the area are keeping a wary eye skyward, as almost daily reports of some bad crop damage is heard from some part of the area.

Oscar Trimble of Dimmitt, brother of George Trimble of Bovina, was injured last Friday in a freak accident in Dimmitt. Trimble was inside the Dairy Freeze at

Dimmitt when a large truck, carrying a truck as cargo, bounced its load loose, and the passenger truck came crashing into the place of business, after it hit a dip in an intersection.

A. G. White, Bovina's oldest resident, observed his 99th birthday on Tuesday.

10 Yrs. Ago--Aug. 29, 1984

Clayton Farm Center will host a fish fry this week at their location on Third Street.

Larry Widner of Portales was seriously injured when a water hose broke loose and thirty per cent of his body was scalded.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Owens will be honored with a reception on their fiftieth wedding anniversary.

Awarding of contracts for two new motor graders highlighted the Parmer County Commissioner's Court meeting on August 13.

5 Yrs. Ago--Aug. 30, 1989

The streets in Bovina became flooded several times this week, thanks to 2.6 inches of rain which has been measured. Five inches has fallen during the month of August.

Don Bandy has been certified as a Hunter Education Instructor and will be giving classes for those interested.



WITH PAINTED FACES shown are Vinnie Mesza and Alfie Espinoza at Bull Town Days.

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DEE ANNE RAY and JOSHUA BRET TAYLOR...
Mr. and Mrs. Connie Ray of Bovina announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Dee Anne Ray, to Joshua Bret Taylor, son of Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Taylor of Texico, New Mexico. The bride-elect is a graduate of Lubbock Christian University with degrees in interdisciplinary studies and liberal arts. She is teaching chemistry and physics at Friona High School. The prospective bridegroom is a graduate of West Texas A&M University, Canyon, with degrees in animal science and biochemistry. He plans to attend New Mexico State University in Las Cruces to receive a master's degree in ruminant nutrition. The wedding will be held in the Bovina Church of Christ on Saturday, September 24 at 3:30 p.m. (CDT). Invitations are not being mailed locally, but all friends of the couple are invited to attend.

Happy Homemaker

By JUNE FLOYD



This week's column offers a wide variety of salads, so if salad suppers are something you enjoy, you will probably want to add several of these to your collection.

All of these were copied from the 1965 Future Homemakers of America cookbook. Most of the high school girls who contributed them have moved on, but a few of them still live here

CABBAGE-PINEAPPLE SALAD

Ann Ayers

- 2-1/2 cups cabbage, finely shredded
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1-1/2 cups pineapple, drained
- 1 cup red apples, chopped
- 8 marshmallows, quartered

Mayonnaise
Cream
Combine cabbage, salt, pineapple, apples and marshmallows. Add enough mayonnaise and cream to moisten.

CHEESE ICE BOX SALAD

Pam Turner

- 2/3 cup sugar
- 1 medium can pineapple and juice
- 1 envelope plain gelatin
- 1 cup water
- 1 cup grated longhorn cheese
- 1 cup pecans
- 1 cup whipping cream

Combine sugar and pineapple and let come to a boil. Dissolve gelatin in cup of cold water, add sugar and pineapple mixture. After it begins to set, add cheese, pecans and whipped cream. Let mixture chill. Serves 8.

ANGEL DELIGHT SALAD

Doris Ferguson

- 1 package lime Jello
- 1 cup marshmallows
- 1 cup boiling water

Dissolve Jello and marshmallows in boiling water. Add the following:
1 cup cottage cheese
1/2 cup pecans
1 small can crushed pineapple
2 teaspoons lemon juice
1 cup whipping cream
1/2 cup sugar
Pinch of salt

MINTED PINEAPPLE JELLO

Angela Schilling

- 1 package lime or lemon-lime Jello
- 1 can crushed pineapple
- 1/2 tablespoon vinegar
- Pinch of salt
- 3/4 cup boiling water
- 6 drops mint extract

Dissolve Jello and salt in boiling water. Stir in remaining ingredients, saving can to use as mold. Chill until slightly thickened. Pour into the can and 1 individual mold or a serving bowl. Chill until firm. Unmold. Makes 3-1/2 cups, 6 side salads or 10 relish servings.

JELLO FRUIT SALAD DELIGHT

Beatrice Scroggins

- 1 box cherry Jello
- 1/2 cup chopped pecans
- 1/4 cup chopped cherries
- 1/4 cup chopped bananas

Mix water to contents of package as shown on box. Let set in refrigerator for 30 minutes. Take out and add other ingredients. Mix well and let set in refrigerator until ready to serve. Serves 4.

CHERRY WALDORF SALAD

Darla Perkins

- 1 package black cherry or cherry Jello
- 3/4 cup cold water
- 1 cup boiling water
- 1/2 cup diced bananas
- Dash of salt
- 1/2 cup diced apples
- 1/4 cup chopped celery

Dissolve Jello and salt in boiling water. Add cold water. Chill until very thick. Fold in remaining ingredients. Spoon into a 1 quart mold, 8 inch pan or dessert dishes. Chill until firm. Unmold. Serves 6.

CABBAGE SLAW

Linda Fallwell

- 1 large head of cabbage
 - 1 teaspoon pepper
 - 1-1/2 teaspoons vinegar
 - 1/2 cup mayonnaise
 - 1 teaspoon salt
 - 1 teaspoon sugar
- Shred cabbage and pour this mixture over it.

FRUIT GELATIN MOLD

Shirley Johnson

- 1 package lemon Jello
- 1 cup pineapple syrup and water

- 1 banana, diced
- 1/2 cup broken walnut meats
- 1 cup hot water
- 2 oranges, diced
- 1 cup cubed pineapple
- 1 apple, diced

Dissolve gelatin in hot water. Add pineapple syrup. Chill until partially set. Add fruits and nut meats, chill until firm. Serves 6.

STRAWBERRY JELLO

Judy Phipps

- 1 package strawberry Jello
- 1-18 ounce package frozen strawberries
- 1 cup chopped nuts
- 1 cup mashed bananas
- 1 carton sour cream

Fix Jello adding strawberries,

bananas and let set for 5 to 10 minutes, then add nuts. After all is set well, put one layer Jello and layer of sour cream, then another layer of Jello. Serves 4.

JELLO SALAD

Vickie Renner

- 2 packages strawberry Jello
- 3 cups boiling water
- 2 packages frozen strawberries
- 2 mashed bananas
- 1/2 cup nuts
- 1/2 pint sour cream

Put frozen strawberries in Jello. This will thaw berries and help to set the Jello. Pour part of this into a glass baking dish and let set. Spread sour cream over this and add remainder of Jello mixture.

CONGEALED STRAWBERRY-PINEAPPLE SALAD

Debbie Baxter

- 2 packages strawberry Jello
- 1-1/4 cups hot water
- 1 package frozen strawberries, thawed
- 1 No. 2 can crushed pineapple, drained
- 1 cup sour cream
- 3 ripe bananas, mashed

Dissolve gelatin in hot water. Let set until mixture is consistency of jelly. Add strawberries, pineapple and bananas. Refrigerate until firm. Spread sour cream on top. Let set 2 hours before serving. Serves 10-12.

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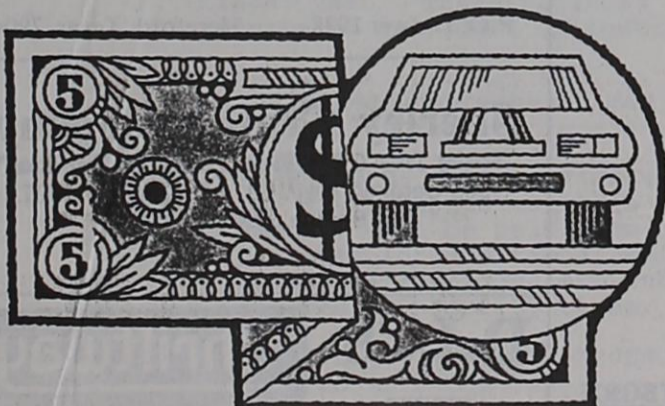
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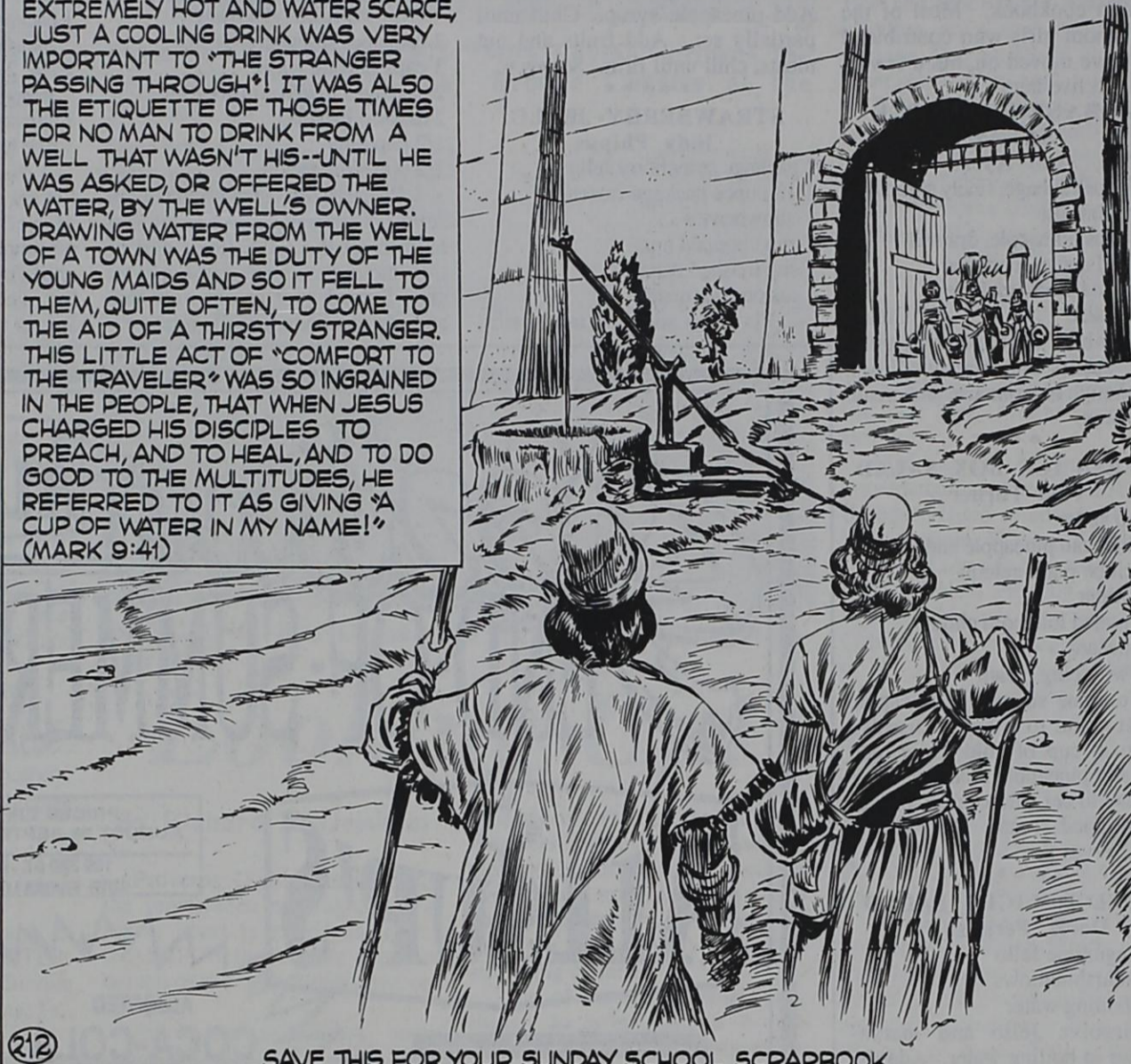
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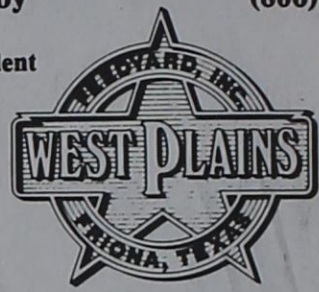
THE TRAVELER, OR STRANGER IN THEIR MIDST!

AMONG THE ISRAELITES, HOSPITALITY TO STRANGERS WAS NOT ONLY A TRADITIONAL ETIQUETTE BUT IT WAS WRITTEN INTO MOSAIC LAW (EX. 22:21 23:9) (DEUT. 10:19). NO DEVOUT PERSON WOULD DELIBERATELY AVOID THE CHANCE TO HELP A STRANGER. IN A LAND THAT WAS EXTREMELY HOT AND WATER SCARCE, JUST A COOLING DRINK WAS VERY IMPORTANT TO "THE STRANGER PASSING THROUGH"! IT WAS ALSO THE ETIQUETTE OF THOSE TIMES FOR NO MAN TO DRINK FROM A WELL THAT WASN'T HIS-UNTIL HE WAS ASKED, OR OFFERED THE WATER, BY THE WELL'S OWNER. DRAWING WATER FROM THE WELL OF A TOWN WAS THE DUTY OF THE YOUNG MAIDS AND SO IT FELL TO THEM, QUITE OFTEN, TO COME TO THE AID OF A THIRSTY STRANGER. THIS LITTLE ACT OF "COMFORT TO THE TRAVELER" WAS SO INGRAINED IN THE PEOPLE, THAT WHEN JESUS CHARGED HIS DISCIPLES TO PREACH, AND TO HEAL, AND TO DO GOOD TO THE MULTITUDES, HE REFERRED TO IT AS GIVING "A CUP OF WATER IN MY NAME!" (MARK 9:41)



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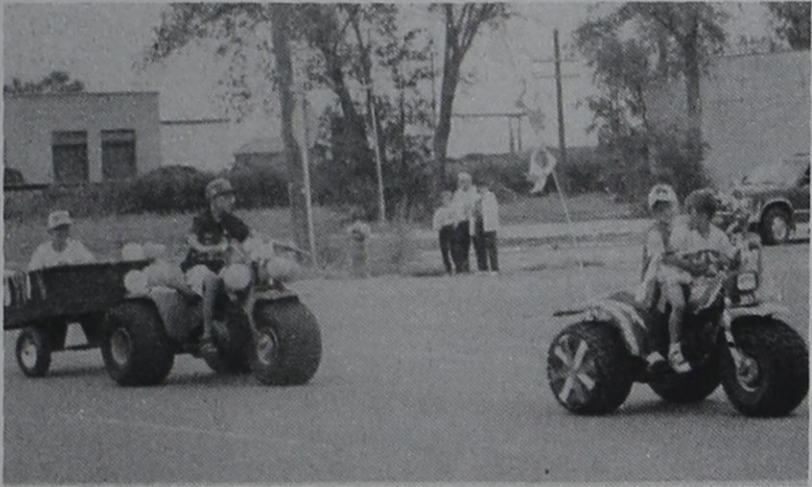
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SIR HUMPHREY OF SPRING HAVEN is shown with his owner **Thomas Grissom**. They won second place in "Best Pet Trick" in the Pet Show. (It seems Sir Humphrey didn't want to be photographed with the other dogs, so this photographer obliged!)



THREE-WHEELERS are driven in the Bovina Bull Town Days parade held on Saturday, August 20.

1994 Cross Country Schedule

Sept. 10	Plainview
Sept. 17	Hereford
Sept. 24	Amarillo
Oct. 1	Floydada
Oct. 8	Lubbock
Oct. 15	Canyon
TBA	District
Nov. 5	Lubbock (Regional)
Nov. 12	Georgetown (State)

Couple Adds Baby Girl

Steve and Sandra Cockerham are parents of a baby girl born August 16, 8:50 p.m. at the Clovis hospital.

She has been named Danielle Marie and weighed six pounds, fourteen ounces. She measured twenty and three-fourths inches long.

Grandparents are Henry and Marie Pruett of Clovis and Jimmie and Barbara Cockerham of Bovina. Iola Cockerham of Littlefield is a great-grandmother.

The couple has a four-year-old son, Dalton.

Scooter's Scoops

By SCOOTER RUSSELL



School began and summer is now over for the youngsters. As you think about this time of year, we all remember how it was when our little ones began their first day at school.

Our firstborn started to school with several her age that she was in church with and had played with all her life so she was comfortable on her first day. Their moms and me met at the Bovina Restaurant for coffee and that helped the empty feeling.

When our second one went to school, I enrolled her and got her all seated at her desk but when I turned to leave, it seemed all of a sudden, she was just too little and tears came. She was happy to be there and didn't see my tears so we made it through that day.

When our third and last began school the first day, she said, "Mom, can you just meet me there because I want to walk with the other kids." We only live about half a block from school, so things went well. When I went home that day, it was awfully quiet at our house but kinda nice, too.

Bull Town Days was very successful, thanks to the many who worked hard to make it so. The weekend was perfect for the activities and the cool weather made the baseball players happy.

Joe Black wrote a nice letter that expressed feelings of most people and it is in another section of the Blade. Hope you all had a great time and maybe next year it will be even better.

Mary Alice Merrill has had grandkids visiting during the last weeks before school started. They were Dwight and Andrew Merrill of Huntsville. Their parents and David and Kay Merrill. Another grandson, Ezra Barham of Lubbock was visiting and his mom is Karen. A granddaughter, Jessica Goad of Clovis was visiting. Her parents are Paul and Connie Goad.

Dean Hastings entered the

Clovis Hospital a week ago Wednesday and is having tests run. He said he was uncomfortable but hoped to get in good shape soon. He is in room #107. (This was the report on Monday) Perhaps he'll be lucky and be home by the time the paper comes out.

Joe and Laverne Black went to Canyon on Sunday and enjoyed a cookout with son Joe Don and his wife, Sharon, and their children, Andrea and Jennifer.

Henry and Nelline Spicer had a good visit with Nelline's sister, Elsie and her husband T. J. who came from Oklahoma and visited the Spicers at the nursing home in Hereford. They came Saturday morning and left Sunday about noon.

Kirk Scott will begin his third year of dental school at Baylor in Dallas on September 1. He went to California and worked in the hospital in Los Angeles County.

He said the hospital wasn't very clean and he would be glad to be back in Dallas because it was clean there. He wasn't impressed with California and was glad to be back in Texas. He is the son of Larry and Carol Scott, former residents, now living in Abilene and his grandmothers are Edna Scott and Erra Jamerson.

R. D. Looney was in Bovina visiting last week with his grandmother, Joe Looney. R. D. grew up in Bovina and worked as editor at the Blade for a while.

He and his wife were living in Germany but she became ill with heart problems and they had to come back to the states. Her condition has now improved.

The couple has two sons, six and seven years old and they are Sean and Robbie.

R. D. is now employed at Reese Air Force Base in Lubbock. He came to Bovina on Wednesday and stayed until the next Monday.

Congratulations to Steve and Sandra Cockerham on the birth of a baby girl. She has been named Danielle Marie and weighed six pounds fourteen ounces and measured twenty and three fourths inches long.

Also congratulations to grandparents, Jimmie and Barbara Cockerham and Henry and Marie Pruett of Clovis. Great-grandmother is Iola Cockerham of Littlefield. The couple has a four year old son, Dalton.

Congratulations to Ron and Diane Allred on the birth of their baby boy, August 9 at the Methodist Hospital. He has been named Jalen Ryne and Bovina grandparents are Jim and Jan Heard. This is the couple's first child.

Also, congratulations to Shawn and Tamra Nieman on the birth of a son, Kaleb Alexander. He was born August 6, and he is the couple's first child. His grandmother is Pat Turner. We were unable to contact the family for more information.

Juanda Murphy was taken to Clovis by ambulance on Monday. It was first thought she and husband Don had food poisoning. On Tuesday morning they were running tests for a possible virus. She will probably be released by press time.

Charles Steele suffered a broken ankle at his home a couple of weeks ago. He is hospitalized in the Saint Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo.

Charles underwent surgery has a pin in his ankle. He has to be off of it for sometime so he will be there awhile. He is feeling good, he said.

Karl and Beverly Willard and their children have been visiting their parents in recent days. Karl is Vernon and Frances Willard's son and Beverly is Monty and Bonnie Barrett's daughter. Karl and Beverly live in Lubbock.

THINK ABOUT IT... So often the first screw that works loose in a person's head is the one that holds the tongue in place...Have a good week...Scooter.

PARMER COUNTY FARM BUREAU ANNUAL MEETING

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 1994
7:30 P.M.

FARWELL COMMUNITY CENTER

The Parmer County Farm Bureau invites you to attend the annual county convention. Policies for the coming year and election of the board of directors will be held at this meeting. Refreshments will be served, and all Farm Bureau members are invited to attend.

NOTICE OF CALCULATION OF EFFECTIVE TAX RATE, ESTIMATED UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCES, AND DEBT SCHEDULES

THIS NOTICE CONCERNS 1994 PROPERTY TAX RATES FOR THE THREE TAXING UNITS LISTED BELOW. THIS NOTICE PRESENTS INFORMATION ABOUT THREE TAX RATES FOR EACH UNIT. LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE IS THE ACTUAL RATE USED TO DETERMINE 1993 PROPERTY TAXES. THIS YEAR'S EFFECTIVE TAX RATE WOULD IMPOSE THE SAME AMOUNT OF TAXES ON THE SAME PROPERTIES AS LAST YEAR. THIS YEAR'S ROLLBACK TAX RATE IS THE HIGHEST TAX RATE THE TAXING UNITS MAY SET BEFORE TAXPAYERS CAN START ROLLBACK PROCEDURES. IN EACH CASE THESE RATES ARE FOUND BY DIVIDING THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF TAXES BY THE TOTAL VALUE OF TAXABLE PROPERTY WITH ADJUSTMENTS AS REQUIRED BY LAW. THE RATES ARE GIVEN PER \$100.00 OF PROPERTY VALUE. THIS NOTICE CONTAINS A SUMMARY OF THE EFFECTIVE AND ROLLBACK TAX RATE CALCULATIONS. YOU CAN INSPECT THE FULL CALCULATIONS AT PARMER COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT, 305 3RD STREET, BOVINA, TEXAS. NOTICE PREPARED BY RONALD E. PROCTER RPA/RTA/RTC, CHIEF APPRAISER, AUGUST 17, 1994.

NOTICE OF 1994 EFFECTIVE AND ROLLBACK TAX FOR:	CITY OF BOVINA	BOVINA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT	PARMER COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE			
Last year's operating taxes-----\$	88,663.83	517,257.01	338,116.46
Last year's debt taxes-----\$	-0-	-0-	83,370.02
Last year's total taxes-----\$	88,663.83	517,257.01	421,486.48
Last year's tax base-----	18,560,557	52,428,240	243,774,473
Last year's total tax rate (per \$100)---	0.4777	1.0000	0.1729
THIS YEAR'S EFFECTIVE TAX RATE			
Last year's adjusted taxes-----\$	88,606.46	498,195.84	420,989.66
This year's adjusted tax base-----	18,484,318	50,010,131	245,532,989
This year's effective tax rate (per \$100)	0.4793	0.9961	0.1714
1.03= Maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearings-----	0.4936	1.0259	0.1765
THIS YEAR'S ROLLBACK TAX RATE			
Last year's adjusted operating taxes-----\$	88,606.46	654,191.00	337,716.98
This year's adjusted tax base-----	18,484,318	50,017,748	245,532,989
This year's effective operating rate-----	0.4794	1.3079	0.1375
1.08= This year's maximum operating rate-----	0.5178	1.3679	0.1485
This year's debt rate-----	0.0000	0.0000	0.0359
This year's rollback rate before adjustment-----	0.5178	1.3679	0.1844
Sales tax adjustment rate-----	-0-	-0-	-0-
Adjusted rollback rate-----	0.5178	1.3679	0.1844

SCHEDULE A: UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCES
The taxing units estimate the following balances will be left at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a debt obligation.

Estimated unencumbered M&O or General Fund Balance-----\$	-0-	805,352.00	-0-
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SCHEDULE B: 1994 DEBT SERVICE -----	-0-	-0-	84,000.00
The taxing units estimate the following amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues) for long term debts that are secured by property taxes.			

SCHEDULE C: EXPECTED REVENUE FROM ADDITIONAL SALES TAX -----\$	-0-	-0-	-0-
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SCHEDULE D: STATE CRIMINAL JUSTICE MANDATE	-0-	-0-	-0-
The Parmer County Auditor certifies that Parmer County has spent \$ _____ in the previous 12 months beginning _____, 1993 for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Parmer County has provided information on these cost, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs.			

Scenes From Bovina's Bull Town Days 1994.....

Photos by Diane Rogers of the Blade Staff



BTD Little Buckaroo Rodeo Results Given

Stick Horse Race
 Skyla Cockerham, first place; Dalton Cockerham, 2nd; Christine Widner, 3rd; Courtney Jamerson, 4th; Hannah Miller, 5th; Mikey Shepherd, 6th.

Calf Riding
 Jim Prather, Cameron Charles, Storm Roberts, Jessie Mendoza, Ryan Dyer, Blain Southern, Kari Stephenson, Skyla Cockerham, Zane Anderson, Kadi Smith, Travis Freeman, Justin Lide.

Jones, no time.

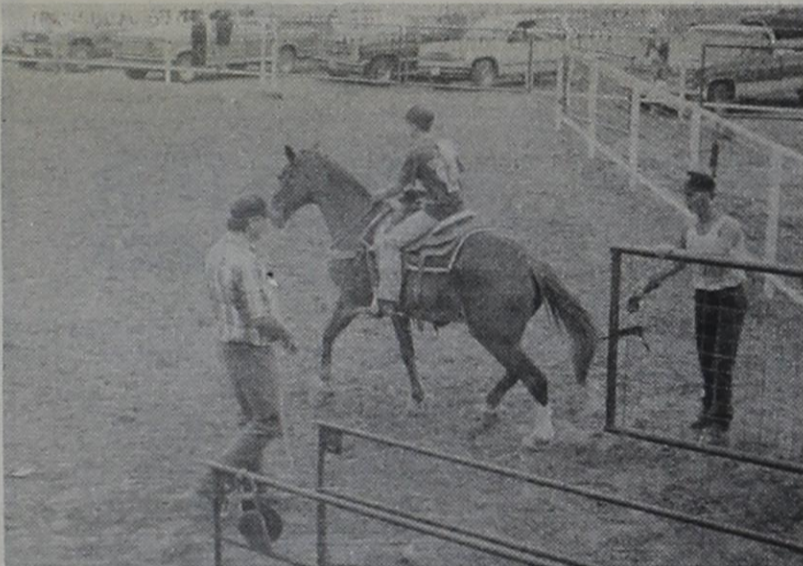
Flags - 10 & Up
 Robin Grantham, first place, 10:12; Jessica King, 2nd, 10:29; Judy King, 3rd, 10:43; Ryan Dyer, 4th, 11:68; Storm Roberts, 5th, 13:26; Cassie London, 6th, 13:06; Michael Carsen, 13:94; Krysta Cockerham (Morris) 15:02; Christa Carsen, 15:05; Dustin Bartlett, 15:62; Jimmy Don Jones, 16:68; Amber Lide, 44:61.

Poles - 9 & Under
 Justin Ware, first place, 31:78; Luke London, 2nd, 34:15; Chance Procer, 3rd, 49:42; Kadi Smith, 4th, 52:48; Richard Roberts, 5th, 54:66; Skyla Cockerham, 6th, 1:10.38; Brett Anderson, 1:23.11; Elisa Smith, 1:34.41; Zane Anderson, 2:11.50; Montana Jones, no time.

Barrels - 9 & Under
 Justin Ware, first place, 22:70; Luke London, 2nd, 27:44; Montana Jones, 3rd, 45:65; Chance Procer, 4th, 46:80; Kadi Smith, 5th, 52:22; Skyla Cockerham, 6th, 53:75; Elisa Smith, 1:30.15; Zane Anderson, 1:52.11; Brett Anderson, 2:12.16; Richard Roberts, no time.

Flags - 9 & Under
 Justin Ware, first place, 13:21; Luke London, 2nd, 17:41; Chance Procer, 3rd, 24:14; Richard Roberts, 4th, 28:20; Elisa Smith, 5th, 52:18; Zane Anderson, 6th, 1:11.43; Kadi Smith, 1:16.32; Brett Anderson, 1:18.32; Skyla Cockerham, 1:42.35; Montana Jones, no time.

Barrels - 10 & Up
 Robin Grantham, first place, 19:23; Jessica King, 2nd, 19:73; Cassie London, 3rd, 20:64; Judy King, 4th, 20:70; Michael Carson, 5th, 26:02; Christine Carson, 6th, 29:10; Krysta Cockerham, 29:85; Justin Bartlett, 33:30; Amber King, 33:57; Ryan Dyer, no time; Jimmy Don Jones, no time.



3-2 Softball Tournament Was Enjoyed By All

The 3-2 Softball Tournament which was held in Bovina during Bull Town Days on August 19-21 was a great success. Eleven teams participated in the tournament.

First place went to "Cellular I" from Amarillo and second place to "Legend," from Littlefield.

The Bovina teams did well, with "Los Tigres" placing third and "Pepe's Crew" getting consolation.

like to continue every year," commented Manuel Torres.

Sherrill Lumber Closing (Continued From Page 1)

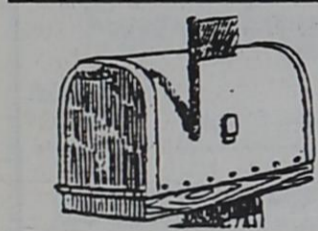
Gruver. He is married to Cherri, and has three children: Ashleigh, T. Jay and Tanner. They live in Gruver.

Wendy graduated from BHS in 1982 and from WTSU in 1986. She is a national bank examiner for the office of the Comptroller of the Currency, in Amarillo. She is married to Greg Curry, and they live in Canyon.

The tournament was sponsored by the Bovina Volunteer Fire Department. Joe Olvera and Gene Hutto were commentators for the tournament games.

"The tournament was a big success and something we would

Patti graduated from BHS in 1983 and WTSU in 1987. She is a third grade teacher in Rolling Hills Elementary School, River Road ISD, Amarillo. She is married to Blair Brown and they live in Amarillo.



Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor:

My comments on Bull Town Days:

My wife and I were gone to the mountains when Bull Town Days started, so we missed out on the Little Miss Pageant. The comments we heard about this pageant was that it was one of the main attractions to this celebration.

When we got back home my wife started getting things together for the big feed and luncheon at the Bovina Senior Citizens Building. We saw a lot of old timers there.

It was like a big family reunion the way these people visited and ate.

I thought that it was real wonderful that there is a place in Bovina, Texas that people can get together.

But you know I really believe that this kind of get-together is for young of age as well as the young of heart. So next year I hope we can see more young people there with their families.

And it would be nice if some of the home bodies could come down and meet and associate with their old friends and visit some.

It was real nice of the women of the Chamber of Commerce to help out with this luncheon and nice of Marie Venable to share some of her antiques for table centerpieces.

The Little Buckaroo Rodeo was

great. It was wonderful how the parents helped the Roping Club get these little young people out on their ole mean calves that bucked so bad. The barrel racing, flag race and pole bending were good.

Of course, we had two grandsons that entered into part of these events. They didn't do very good but maybe the next time.

I never saw a shoe race before. But that was alright and that egg race was good. I think that Joe Jones did a good job of announcing the Buckaroo Rodeo.

The Parade needed a little more putting together and work done on it. But Bovina sure has a nice fire department, the new truck and all the equipment. Thanks to the Volunteers that make this fire department operate.

The Barbecue was great. I think all the members of the Chamber of Commerce, The Town Council, the Senior Citizens, The Bovina Roping Club, and most of all the churches and people of this community all did a good job of making Bovina, Parmer County Texas, a good place to live in and raise our families in.

Let's all work together next year and make this bigger and better.

Thank you for the fun and nice time.

The Joe Black Family



PET SHOW WINNERS, 6 & UP....Shown are winners of the pet show in the six and up category. (l-r): Wesley and Robert Kent with their dog Hershey who came in third in "Cutest Dog" and "Best Pet Trick"; Jason Stone and dog Jed, first in "Best Pet Trick"; Lindsey Pruitt and dog Judy, second in "Cutest Dog"; Jonathan Cordova with dog Cocoa, first in "Cutest Dog".

Line Camp Cafe Daily Specials (August 28-Sept. 2)

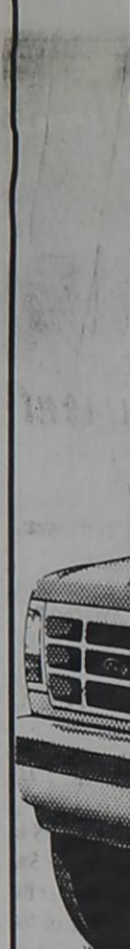
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Dry Rural

A ten-mile dry can be a long uncommon for departments in rural. In the Texas Rhea-Hollene Department is trying distance between source. It is in hydrants throughout mile area it County, Texas, and line into New Mexico. Dry fire hydrant fighters easy sources. In the source is a tap wellhead. Durn fighters can tap refill their trucks. The Rhea-Hollene Fire Department dry hydrants in its service area. According to chief of the Rhea-Hollene Fire Department, dry hydrants the Plains Resource Development (RC&D) is a USDA Soil Conservation that works with to enhance their improve services. "Better rural means saving li property," said T. Plains RC&D co helped the Rhea-Hollene Fire Department.

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Dry Hydrants Improve Rural Fire Protection

A ten-mile drive to fight a fire can be a long way, but is not uncommon for volunteer fire departments in rural Texas.

In the Texas Panhandle, the Rhea-Hollene Volunteer Fire Department is trying to shorten the distance between fire and water source. It is installing dry fire hydrants throughout the 150-square mile area it covers in Parmer County, Texas, and across the state line into New Mexico.

Dry fire hydrants provide fire fighters easy access to water sources. In the Panhandle, that source is a tap to an irrigation wellhead. During a fire, fire fighters can tap these hydrants to refill their trucks.

The Rhea-Hollene Volunteer Fire Department has installed three dry hydrants to irrigation wellheads in its service area.

According to Danny Allen, chief of the Rhea-Hollene Volunteer Fire Department, they learned about dry hydrants through the High Plains Resource Conservation and Development (RC&D).

RC&D is a program of the USDA Soil Conservation Service that works with rural communities to enhance their economic base and improve services to residents.

"Better rural fire protection means saving lives and saving property," said Tom Davey, High Plains RC&D coordinator. "We helped the Rhea-Hollene Volunteer Fire Department find a source of

funks to buy the hydrants."

That funding source was a grant from the Texas Forest Service, which provides grant money for rural fire protection. The Forest Service will cost-share 50 per cent of a dry hydrant up to \$350.

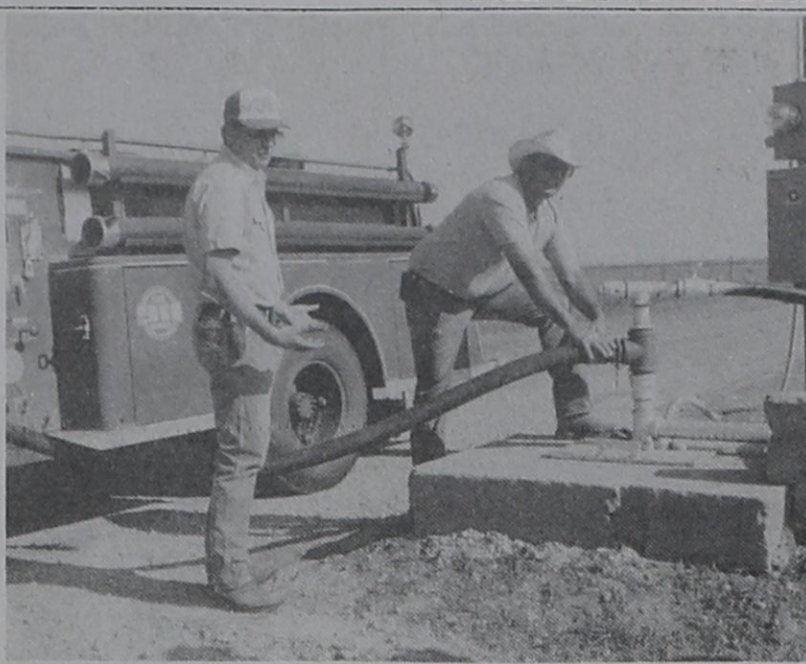
The materials for the three dry hydrants installed by the Rhea-Hollene Volunteer Fire Department cost \$150 each. Labor was donated by volunteers of the fire department.

"When we first started the volunteer fire department, we only had one 500-gallon truck," Allen said. "We'd run out of water and try to find another source or go all the way back to Rhea to get more water."

The volunteer fire department now has three trucks: 300, 500 and 5,000 gallons. Allen said the water in the trucks is enough for most fires, although they have used one of the dry hydrants. In a barn fire, the fire department was able to prevent the fire from spreading with 15,000 gallons of water.

In addition to the dry hydrants, the Rhea-Hollene Volunteer Fire Department has plans to place two 5,000-gallon tanks in Parmer County to serve as a water source. The tanks were donated by the Wilbur Ellis fertilizer company in Farwell.

"We keep these tanks full of water so we can tap into them when we have emergencies," Allen said.



NEW SERVICE... Glenn Schueler and Danny Allen, members of the Rhea-Hollene Volunteer Fire Department, are shown using one of the dry hydrant water sites near Rhea. These water sources are a vital part of rural fire-fighting.

Volunteers plan to install more dry hydrants in the future. "We'd like to tap into good wells located near residences," Allen said.

"I'd encourage any farmer with a well to fix it so it can be used for fire protection, for their own and their neighbors," Allen said.

Farmers have allowed the Rhea-Hollene Volunteer Fire Department to install the dry hydrants with no compensation. They have agreed to allow access to the hydrant should any fire department need it for fighting a fire.

RC&Ds across Texas are

working with insurance companies to view dry fire hydrants as sufficient fire protection. According to Allen, many rural residents often have trouble getting affordable fire insurance.

The Fire Prevention and Engineering Bureau of Texas rates communities on their adequacy of fire protection. One is the highest rating; ten is the lowest.

"Because of the dry hydrants we've installed, we dropped from a 10 to a 9," said Glen Schueler, volunteer fire fighter from Rhea. "Our hope is to provide fire protection as well as lower insurance costs someday."

Top Playnight Performers Were Recognized Sat.

The Friona Riding Club Playnights had the final night of events last Saturday night. Another large number of contestants participated.

"The Riding Club would like to thank all the contestants that came to the Playnights and hope they will come back next year," a spokesperson for the Riding Club commented.

Awards were presented to the top performers in each age group, after compiling their total points, as follows:

Ages 3-5: 1. Chance Prosser, 112; 2. Brett Anderson, 91; 3. Macy Martin, 73; 4. Danielle Bentley, 58; 5. Dusty Clayton, 42; 6. RaJon Thorn, 30.

Ages 6-9: 1. Shonah Black, 142; 2. Berry Morris, 111; 3. Justin Ware, 87; 4. Luke London, 80; 5. Triston Thorn, 58; 6. Michael Stanberry, 13.

Ages 10-14: 1. Jessica King, 118; 2. Robin Grantham, 93; 3. Savannah Black, 81; 4. Joni Johnson, 72; 5. Jodie Coker, 59; 6. Shasta Copley, 40.

Ages 15-18: 1. Tobby Dyer, 113; 2. Travis Copley, 110; 3. Romni Wood, 71.

Final Playnight placings are as follows:

BARRELS

Ages 3-5: 1. Chance Prosser, 47.40; 2. Macy Martin, 50.12; 3. Brett Anderson, 51.80; 4. Dusty Clayton, 56.87; 5. Colt Ellis, 1:06.85; 6. Danielle Bentley, 1:12.80; 7. Matthew Stanberry, 1:21.14.

Ages 6-9: 1. Shonah Black, 21.63; 2. Berry Morris, 24.52; 3. Justin Ware, 25.05; 4. Luke London, 28.47; 5. Triston Thorn, 30.57; 6. Michael Stanberry, 35.14; 7. Mandy Martin, 36.09; 8. Richard Roberts, 50.50; 9. Michelle Stanberry, 1:06.46; 10. Bobby Bentley, 1:38.88; 11. Zane Anderson, 1:42.--.

Ages 10-14: 1. Joni Johnson, 18.99; 2. Robin Grantham, 19.24; 3. Jessica King, 19.68; 4. Jenny King, 19.75; 5. Shasta Copley, 20.--; 6. Shena Seaton, 20.10; 7. Kelly Morris, 21.22; 8. Savannah Black, 21.30; 9. Skyla Johnson, 22.89; 10. Storm Roberts, 24.37; 11. Jodie Coker, 26.06; 12. Tray Thorn, 27.96; 13. Cassie London, 27.97; 14. Ryan Dyer, 28.61; 15. Audra King, 29.66; 16. Krista Cockerham, 32.22; 17. Chad Bentley, 40.16; 18. Trevor Fields, 50.84.

Ages 15-18: 1. Travis Copley, 19.48; 2. Tobby Dyer, 27.92.

FLAGS

Ages 3-5: 1. Dusty Clayton, 33.24; 2. Brett Anderson, 37.44; 3. Colt Ellis, 39.47; 4. Matthew Stanberry, 39.76; 5. Danielle Bentley, 39.86; 6. Chance Prosser, 51.86; 7. Macy Martin, 1:29.76.

Ages 6-9: 1. Shonah Black, 12.23; 2. Berry Morris, 12.28; 3. Justin Ware, 13.61; 4. Luke London, 18.25; 5. Triston Thorn, 19.60; 6. Michael Stanberry, 22.55; 7. Mandy Martin, 23.06; 8. Richard Roberts, 26.49; 9. Bobby Bentley, 35.38; 10. Michelle Stanberry, 42.48; 11. Zane Anderson, 57.37.

Ages 10-14: 1. Jessica King, 10.38; 2. Savannah Black, 11.11; 3. Jodie Coker, 11.13; 4. Storm Roberts, 11.37; 5. Skyla Johnson, 13.28; 6. Cassie London, 13.80; 7. Audra King, 14.24; 8. Tray Thorn, 14.74; 9. Robin Grantham, 15.20; 10. Joni Johnson, 15.88; 11. Chad Bentley, 16.81; 12. Ryan Dyer, 18.21; 13. Krista Cockerham, 18.66; 14. Kris Bentley, 19.47; 15. Kelly Morris, 21.16; 16. Trevor Fields, 21.54; 17. Shena Seaton, 24.95; 18. Jenny King, no time; 19. Shasta Copley, no time.

Ages 15-18: 1. Travis Copley, 10.25; 2. Tobby Dyer, no time.

POLES

Ages 3-5: 1. Chance Prosser, 57.33; 2. Brett Anderson, 59.49; 3. Matthew Stanberry, 1:02.12; 4. Colt Ellis, 1:11.98; 5. Dusty Clayton, 1:25.69; 6. Danielle Bentley, 1:40.27; 7. Macy Martin, 2:15.76.

Ages 6-9: 1. Shonah Black, 26.88; 2. Berry Morris, 31.62; 3. Luke London, 38.70; 4. Triston Thorn, 40.05; 5. Michael Stanberry, 46.50; 6. Mandy Martin, 47.52; 7. Richard Roberts, 58.53; 8. Michelle Stanberry, 1:11.50; 9. Zane Anderson, 1:32.22; 10. Bobby Bentley, 1:33.55; 11. Justin Ware, no time.

Ages 10-14: 1. Savannah Black, 24.59; 2. Shasta Copley,

25.57; 3. Jenny King, 26.75; 4. Jodie Coker, 27.33; 5. Audra King, 29.43; 6. Jessica King, 29.43; 7. Robin Grantham, 29.96; 8. Skyla Johnson, 30.34; 9. Storm Roberts, 30.88; 10. Shena Seaton, 30.86; 11. Kris Bentley, 32.82; 12. Ryan Dyer, 33.04; 13. Cassie London, 33.56; 14. Chad Bentley, 36.75; 15. Trevor Fields, 39.33; 16. Tray Thorn, 42.05; 17. Krista Cockerham, 45.86; 18. Joni Johnson, 49.79; 19. Kelly Morris, 50.76.

Ages 15-18: 1. Travis Copley, 23.25; 2. Tobby Dyer, 30.33.

STAKES

Ages 3-5: 1. Macy Martin, 20.92; 2. Chance Prosser, 21.32; 3. Colt Ellis, 22.45; 4. RaJon Thorn, 22.73; 5. Matthew Stanberry, 24.33; 6. Brett Anderson, 24.37; 7. Dusty Clayton, 28.28; 8. Danielle Bentley, 33.18.

Ages 6-9: 1. Shonah Black, 11.09; 2. Justin Ware, 13.03; 3. Berry Morris, 13.33; 4. Triston Thorn, 15.03; 5. Luke London, 16.83; 6. Michael Stanberry, 18.12; 7. Mandy Martin, 18.96; 8. Richard Roberts, 23.31; 9. Zane Anderson, 33.57; 10. Bobby Bentley, 36.33; 11. Michelle Stanberry, no time.

Ages 10-14: 1. Shena Seaton, 9.98; 2. Jessica King, 10.24; 3. Savannah Black, 10.39; 4. Robin Grantham, 10.40; 5. Joni Johnson, 10.42; 6. Jenny King, 10.64; 7. Skyla Johnson, 10.96; 8. Jodie Coker, 11.02; 9. Shasta Copley, 11.28; 10. Audra King, 11.89; 11. Ryan Dyer, 11.91; 12. Storm Roberts, 12.28; 13. Kris Bentley, 12.87; 14. Cassie London, 13.29; 15. Tray Thorn, 14.53; 16. Chad Bentley, 14.57; 17. Trevor Fields, 14.60; 18. Kelly Morris, 14.96; 19. Krista Cockerham, 18.87.

Ages 15-18: 1. Travis Copley, 9.61; 2. Tobby Dyer, 11.65.

RINGS

Ages 3-5: 1. Brett Anderson, 32.19; 2. Macy Martin, 41.80; 3. Danielle Bentley, 1:03.95; 4. Chance Prosser, 1:05.36; 5. Colt Ellis, 1:24.76; 6. Matthew Stanberry, 1:39.89; 7. Dusty Clayton, 1:48.89.

Ages 6-9: 1. Berry Morris, 26.85; 2. Shonah Black, 31.71; 3. Luke London, 48.86; 4. Triston Thorn, 51.25; 5. Michelle Stanberry, 1:13.76; 6. Justin Ware, 1:15.53; 7. Richard Roberts, 1:22.09; 8. Zane Anderson, 1:44.87; 9. Michael Stanberry, 2:28.85; 10. Bobby Bentley, 2:30.77.

Ages 10-14: 1. Jessica King, 14.61; 2. Jenny King, 15.04; 3. Ryan Dyer, 19.11; 4. Robin Grantham, 19.14; 5. Joni Johnson, 19.65; 6. Savannah Black, 20.66; 7. Jodie Coker, 20.93; 8. Shena Seaton, 21.32; 9. Shasta Copley, 24.28; 10. Storm Roberts, 24.50; 11. Trevor Fields, 28.92; 12. Tray Thorn, 31.29; 13. Cassie London, 32.31; 14. Krista Cockerham, 32.81; 15. Audra King, 32.90; 16. Skyla Johnson, 34.27; 17. Chad Bentley, 1:03.98.

Ages 15-18: 1. Tobby Dyer, 11.97; 2. Travis Copley, 13.95.

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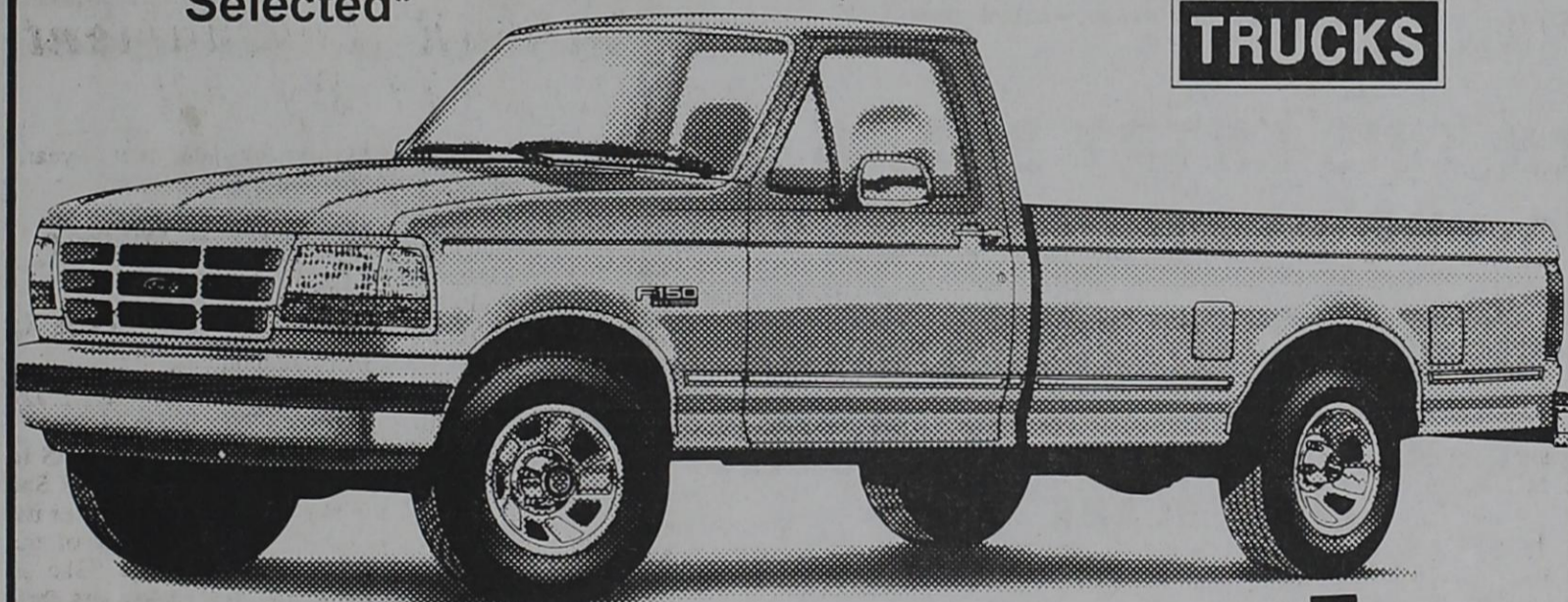
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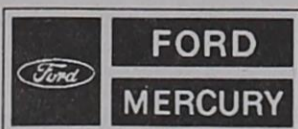
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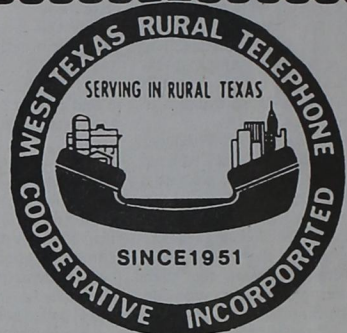
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