

Bull Town Bulletins



By
Bill Ellis

WE FIRST USED the following piece 10 years ago. It's still fairly true.

"A Bit of Nostalgia—I Remember"
"Back when a nickel loaf of bread was 5¢, dollar watches were 89¢ and houses were built with garages, not carports. Back when you used money instead of credit cards, filling stations had free air and water and road maps, you didn't have to ask for a glass of water in the restaurant with your order.

Back when you didn't have to stand in line one hour at the bank for them to take your money, when streets could be traveled in both directions, not one way, when 3¢ stamps were 3¢, not 15¢ (now 25¢), and mail carriers picked up mail and delivered it.

Back when paint stores gave a "stirring stick" with each gallon of paint, instead of costing 25¢ extra, your favorite merchant gave out calendars with advertisements on it and you didn't need one of those fancy new watches to tell you the month, date of week and year.

Back when Papa said "Hush, Son," he didn't mean jump up and get "smart mouth" with him but hush.

A cotton sack measured 12 feet long, and was made from heavy white ducking instead of cotton being picked by some huge, \$75,000 machine called a "Red Oakie."

Back when cities were so modern they had streetcars and buses, and railroads were so up-to-date they had passenger trains, the meterman read the meter, not guessed at it.

Back when shoe strings were 5¢ a pair, not three pairs in a cellophane packet for 69¢ and you use one pair and throw the others away.

Back when you could open packages with your hands and you didn't need a chain saw. Men and boys went to the barbershop for a hair cut, you could tell the difference between a boy and a girl by the way they dressed and their hair style.

Back when children played with toy cars, airplanes or stick horses not a glob of goo of styrofoam battery-operated machine gun costing \$39.

A bum asked for 15¢ for donuts and coffee, not \$2 for wine or a joint of grass. Back when prices were the same in the afternoon as they were in the morning, Sunkist sold more lemons than the leading auto companies, you could have your shoes repaired cheaper than the cost of a new pair.

Back when you were young and could buy and pay for your home during your lifetime, kids went to the Saturday afternoon show to see cowboys ride horses, chase cattle and crooks, not ride 4-wheel jeeps with CB radios and jump 20-story buildings.

Back when the sun never set on the British Empire, the mighty fleet of the great United States Navy ruled the trade lanes of the blue Pacific, men in high office didn't write a book for a million dollars and say "I'm not a crook."

Back when you called Dad's brother Uncle Bob, or Mama's sister Aunt Ruth, not "Hey, you." Lots of items cost 10¢ or sold three for 25¢ instead of like nowadays being three for \$1.35 (figure that one out).

I remember back when...

Federal Payroll

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Sen. Phil Gramm
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Cong. Larry Combest
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Public Meeting Set On Landfill Issue

A public meeting has been called by Bovina Mayor Keith Knight, to discuss the problems the city is facing in regard to its landfill.

The meeting will be held Thursday, December 20 at the Ambulance Center, at 7:30 p.m.

Knight explained that regulations go into effect January 31, after which the city will have 18 months to comply. To continue to operate a landfill under the new regulations would cost the city around \$200,000, Knight says, due to the fact that the city would have to have monitoring wells, a new pit, and lining for the pit.

Under the new requirements, the landfill would have to be filled ultimately with clay, and topped off with a growth of grass.

"We are attempting to gather enough support for a recycling transfer station in Bovina. We could put in a recycling station at the old vegetable shed location, with a compost area, but we would

have to have some grant money," Knight said.

The mayor said he was looking into possible grants for such projects. "Even a transfer station will cost money, as we would have to have some type of bailer," he said.

Knight said that at the present time, the City of Dimmitt plans to keep their landfill and meet the new requirements. They plan to accept trash at the fee of \$10 per ton.

"The kicker is when to close the landfill, if we are going to close it. If we wait until after January 31 to close it, we would have to comply with all of the regulations that go into effect, and it will be more complicated than if we decide to close it ahead of the deadline," Knight said.

The public is urged to attend the meeting and provide some input for the city leaders on the question.



GRAND PRIZE WINNER...Mike Read was the winner of the 1990 Bovina Blade Football Contest. He is being presented his check for \$100 by Scooter Russell of the Blade.

AT FRIONA

Bivins Speaks At Town Hall Meeting

A number of vital issues will be facing the 72nd Legislature when it convenes in January, Sen. Teel Bivins told a Friona audience here Tuesday afternoon.

Bivins told the group gathered at the old Depot building at City Park that the legislature would be facing some serious problems.

"It will require a lot of work. But no one said it would be easy, and I'm excited about the challenges," Sen. Bivins said.

Among the big items the lawmakers will be facing will be the state budget. Education makes up about one-half of the money spent by the state, he said.

Public school finance is expected to be another major problem to be tackled. "We fought in four special sessions to come up with an acceptable public school finance program. We came up with the best bill we could envision, and now the court has said that the bill was unacceptable," Bivins said.

Another important matter that has to be addressed by the next

legislature is re-districting, which has to be done every ten years following the Federal Census.

"This is the most political thing that happens every ten years. Our senatorial district has to add 90,000 people, since our area had zero growth," Bivins said.

Bivins said he hated for the rural areas to suffer at the hands of the urban centers, but expected that the 31st state senatorial district would resemble the 13th (U.S.) congressional district when the lines were re-drawn.

The senator said he hoped to pass legislation revoking the driver's license for anyone convicted of a drug offense.

He also wants to work on a system whereby the state can purchase futures options on oil, which would allow for better management of the state's crude oil money.

In the area of crime, Bivins said he wanted to pass legislation benefitting "the forgotten player in crime—the victim."



SENATOR SPEAKS...Sen. Teel Bivins, right, is shown chatting with Blade publisher Bill Ellis at a Town Hall meeting this week in Friona.



PRESENT SKIT....Students are shown presenting a skit that was presented at the convention December 5 at the West Texas State University Activity Center. They were elected to the office of District 1 vice president. Nine hundred students participated in the convention activities. Student Council advisors are Mrs. Jennings and Mrs. Thieman.

Chamber In New Program

The directors of the Bovina Chamber of Commerce met on Friday, December 7 at the Bovina Restaurant for their regular meeting.

Minutes were read and approved and the treasurer's report was given. The October expense account was printed and given to each member. At the first of the month, the chamber's bank balance was \$4,203.44. Expenses and dues amounted to \$402.58, leaving a balance of \$3,800.

There was a discussion and the group elected nominees for chamber directors to be elected in March. Directors going off this year are: Tami Kunselman, Pam Bell, Jerry Roach, Sonny Roach, Kim Black and Sue Coleman's place must be filled with another director, since she moved.

It was decided that each month a business would be recognized and the chamber would pay for a \$20 ad with picture and write-up about the business to be in the Bovina Blade.

School To Collect Food Items

School will dismiss for the holidays immediately after the Maroon and White Christmas Party on December 20 at 1 p.m. in the High School Auditorium.

Classes will resume on January 2, 1991 at the regular time.

The Maroon and White Christmas Party will consist of Christmas caroling, skits and perhaps Santa will be there.

In order to get into the auditorium that day, you must bring one item of non-perishable food. These will be packaged and distributed to the needy in our community.

Post Office Sets Early Closing

The Bovina Post Office will close at 12 noon on December 24, according to Postmaster Laura Bartlett. If you have received a package notice, please try to pick it up by closing time.

The Bovina postal employees want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

TEMPERATURES

Date	High-Low
Tuesday, December 4	54-09
Wednesday, December 5	66-24
Thursday, December 6	45-30
Friday, December 7	58-14
Saturday, December 8	70-24
Sunday, December 9	65-25
Monday, December 10	65-27

Postmaster Urges Early Xmas Mail

Bovina Postmaster Laura Bartlett reminds residents to mail early this year to insure those holiday greetings arrive on time. The holiday mailing season is considered to run from the week of Thanksgiving until the end of the year. That period this year covers from Saturday, November 17 until Monday, December 31.

How much mail nationally was handled last year during the holiday season? During the 1989 holiday mailing season, the Postal Service processed and delivered more than 3.5 billion holiday cards, letters and packages. This was in addition to the normal everyday volume of 540 million pieces. Mail volume for this year's holiday season is projected to be around four billion cards, letters and packages.

On a national basis, mail increases on an average of 5-10 per cent. The biggest jumps are first-class personal cards and letters, and fourth-class parcels which constitute around 15-25 per cent.

Mrs. Bartlett cautions, most holiday mail is processed the week

before Christmas. The biggest mailing day of the year is usually the Monday of the week before Christmas. Last year that day was December 18 when the Postal Service cancelled 200 million cards and letters, and delivered over five million parcels. Peak mailing day this year is expected to be Monday, December 17.

According to Mrs. Bartlett, we are encouraging customers to mail early and avoid the possibility of delay due to volume increase. For most overseas destinations, it's best to mail before December to insure delivery before the holidays. In the U.S. there are no real deadlines, but the Postal Service is encouraging Americans to mail as early as possible, or preferably by the end of the first week in December.

What about mailing at the last minute?

Ms. Bartlett reminds customers that they can mail parcels at a priority first-class rate, with 2-3 day delivery service, to all U.S. locations. Express Mail Service, with overnight and next-day service, and delivery on Christmas Day, is also available to most destinations in the United States. Please check with our local Post Office to assure timely delivery of your holiday mail, and be sure to mail early, Ms. Bartlett concluded.

Clinic Set For December

Immunization clinics offering vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases are scheduled for December. Protection is against polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella and mumps.

The Texas Department of Health is charging fees to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount of money charged will be based on family income and size and the ability to pay.

The nearest clinic location is Hereford at 914 East Park Avenue and the dates are December 13 and December 20 and the time is 9-11:30 a.m. and 1-4 p.m.

As of Thursday,
Dec. 13, a total of

60,456

Bales of cotton had been ginned
in Parmer County.

REFLECTIONS

...from the files of The Bovina Blade

30 YEARS AGO--DEC. 14, 1960
Funeral services for Ervin "Red" Boatman, 52, were conducted here Thursday afternoon in First Baptist Church.

Mrs. Sammy Sudderth was released from the hospital in Hereford Saturday afternoon after a lengthy illness. She is reported to be doing well.

Mr. and Mrs. Odis White are planning a trip to Salinas, California, for Christmas. They will spend the holidays with their son, Bobby Kelly and his family. They will be gone approximately three weeks.

25 YEARS AGO--DEC. 15, 1965

"We were more than pleased," was the report this week from officials of First State Bank of Bovina concerning the grand opening in the firm's new building Sunday afternoon. A crowd of more than 600 attended the open house between 2 and 6 p.m.

Weekly rummage sales, which

School Lunch Menu

MONDAY--corn dogs, French fries, salad, fruit and milk.

TUESDAY--McRib sandwich, chips, salad, fruit and milk.

WEDNESDAY--turkey, dressing, potatoes, gravy, green beans, pumpkin pie and milk.

THURSDAY--pizza pockets, salad, corn, cookies and milk.

FRIDAY--out of school for Christmas holidays.

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have been conducted here for the past five Saturdays, have earned approximately \$500, a member of Bovina Woman's Club, sponsoring organization, announced this week.

Bovina Church of Christ had a venison and elk barbecue supper Monday night. The game was killed by Mr. and Mrs. Buck Ellison and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Rushing on a recent hunting trip.

Fillies Fall In Tournery

The Bovina High School girls lost both of their games at the Farwell tournament last weekend.

The team lost to Olton, 77-39 in Thursday's opening round. Donna Griggs scored a pair of baskets in both the first and second quarters, and added a free throw in the second, but Olton held leads of 16-8 and 32-17.

Olton continued to dominate the scoring in the third quarter, 17-11 and the fourth, 20-11, for the win.

Miss Griggs scored 14 points and Kimberly Kirkpatrick scored seven for the Fillies.

In the Friday game, Texico raced to a 29-4 lead at the end of the first quarter, and although the Fillies' scoring picked up with 14 second-quarter points, the Wolverines held a 51-18 lead at the half.

Texico continued its hot shooting in the second half, with another 40 points to their credit.

Keri Mitchell scored 15 and Miss Griggs 12 to pace Bovina's scoring.

Olton 77, FILLIES 39
Quintana 3-0-6; Stone 3-0-6; Mitchell 1-1-1-6; Griggs 5-1-1-14; Kirkpatrick 3-1-7.

Texico 91, FILLIES 43
Quintana 3-1-0-9; Mitchell 2-4-1-15; Jones 0-2-2; Griggs 4-4-12; Martinez 0-0-0; Rackley 0-0-0; Kirkpatrick 1-1-3.

The couples furnished the meat for the dinner, one deer and one elk.

20 YEARS AGO--DEC. 16, 1970
SSgt. and Mrs. R.E. Schrock of Germany announce the birth of their first child, a son, Friday, December 11. The infant weighed eight pounds, one and one-half ounces and has been named Robert Eric II.

Mr. and Mrs. W.N. (Bill) Foster of Farwell will be honored with a reception in observance of their Golden Wedding Anniversary Sunday, December 27.

Open House was held at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Larry Heard Sunday afternoon.

10 YEARS AGO--DEC. 10, 1980
The Bovina Woman's Study Club presented the Bovina Clinic with a check for \$510.74 from the Christmas Card Project.

Four Bovina Mustangs were placed on the All-District 3-AA football team. They were Ricky Shepherd, Ed Chisom, Gabriel Guevara and Harvey Shepherd.

As of Tuesday, December 9, 37,669 bales of cotton had been ginned in Parmer County.

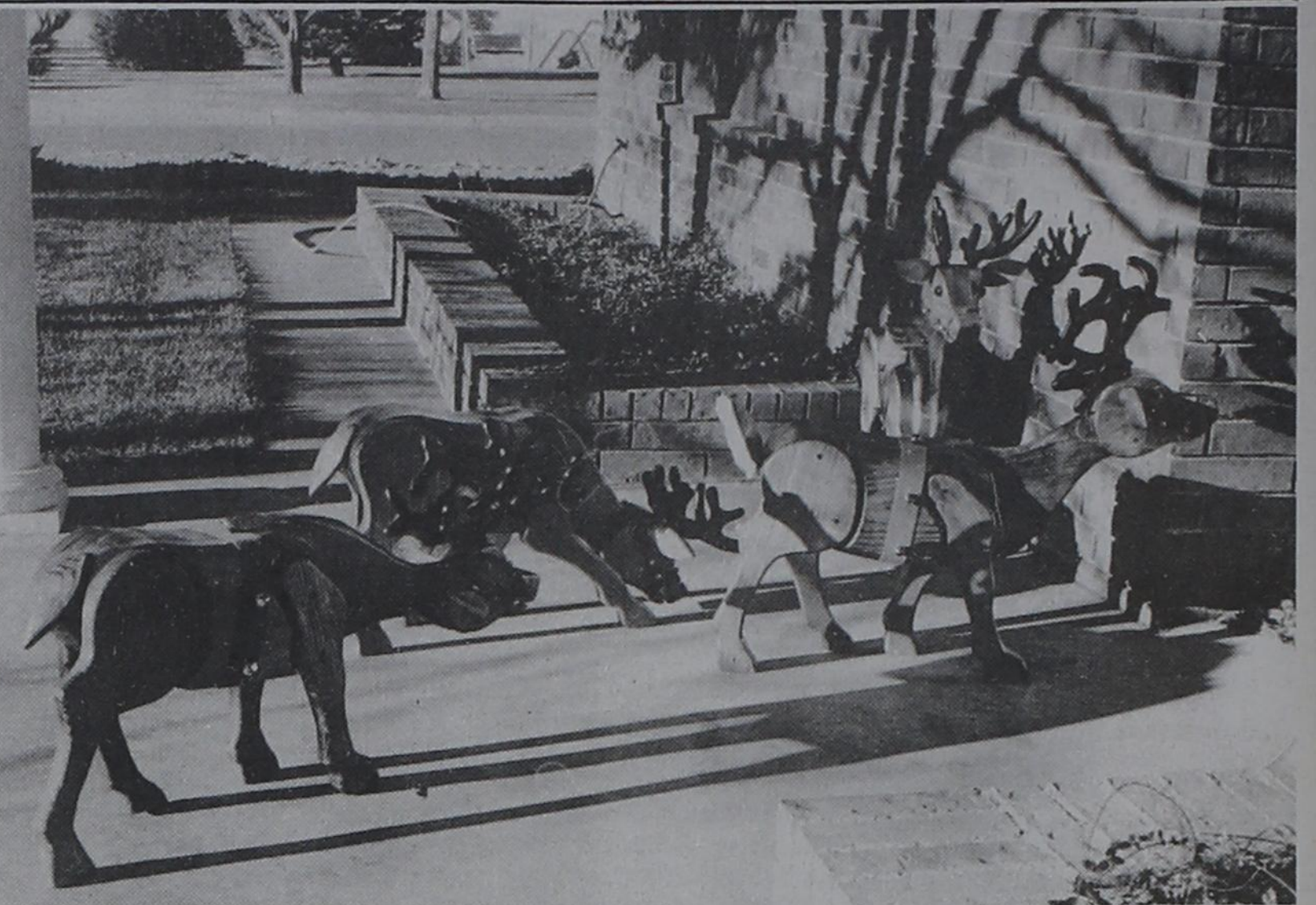
Bovina area farm leaders have been in the forefront this week as a series of hearings have been conducted by the U.S. Air Force on the possible effects of locating the MX Missile in West Texas-Eastern New Mexico.

5 YEARS AGO--DEC. 11, 1985
The Fillies and Mustangs competed in the Vega basketball tournament and brought home first and third place trophies.

Byron Neal, Andy Stormes and Cain Neal won postal trap and skeet shoot awards.

Fred and Artie O'Hair will soon be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary at a reception in their honor at the Baptist Church.

Sharlet Johnson of Bovina and Shelly Salyer of Friona were honored at the Parmer County Gold Star Banquet in Lubbock recently, for receiving the county award.



READY FOR CHRISTMAS...Pictured are a set of pretty wooden deer fashioned and made for Edna Scott, a gift from her son, Larry Scott of Abilene.

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REC Calls 'Foul' On Published Media Article

The rural electric cooperative industry is getting a "black eye" from media articles about co-ops defaulting on federal loans, according to James Hull, president-manager of Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative.

Referring to a national wire-service article in a metro paper this week, Hull said the story was "hurtful and portrayed a picture of the industry that was misleading."

While the article pointed out that only a "handful" of co-ops had defaulted on loans, it did not spell out that it was just three out of 1,000, said Hull. "It was also disturbing and unfair to see the rural co-op problem compared to the S&L mess," added Hull.

While only a fraction of the rural electric co-ops are in serious trouble, stated the AP article, nearly all have gotten low-interest federal loans or federal guarantees for bank loans. If co-ops don't pay back their REA loans, the agency could have trouble

repaying its own debt to the Treasury Department. Taxpayers would indirectly have to make up that lost money through an increased federal deficit.

"To say that the historic federal program is threatened by financial failure is a misleading statement," stated Hull. He added that he knew that one of the co-ops (in Sandy, Utah) was not in default as was stated in the article. He added that the REA program has the best repayment record in the history of federal lending.

Hull said the administration didn't talk about the revolving fund loan program. "For every dollar loaned out of that revolving fund each year, \$3 comes back into the fund as normal payment of existing loans."

"We sure don't want any of our members to get worried and think that we're in trouble. In fact, we are in the best financial condition ever and will be issuing a record \$2 million in

refunds at our annual meeting in March," said Hull. The local co-op wrote out \$1 million in refund checks last year, which Hull believes was the highest such payments in the U.S.

Hull said DSEC will be purchasing about \$300 million in kilowatt hours in 1991, which will be the most ever recorded here. He said the board expects a net margin of \$2.3 million for the current year.

DSEC celebrated its 50th anniversary in 1986 by being the second rural co-op in the nation to pay off its REA loan. The co-op retired its outstanding indebtedness to REA in the amount of \$9.6 million in order to get a discount of \$3 million.

"Our situation here, and in most other rural co-ops, is just the opposite of what is depicted in some of the articles," Hull said. He said the local plant is valued at \$31 million and the indebtedness is \$5.5 million. That represents a 67 percent equity, and a 40 percent equity is considered ideal in the industry.

DSEC serves four counties--Deaf Smith, Oldham, Parmer and Castro--with 3,700 miles of line and almost 11,000 meters. In 1937, only 10 percent of the farms in the area had electricity, said Hull, and now any farm that wants electricity has it.

"We have continued to improve services over the years because of members who work with us and purchase the power, because of a fine staff and excellent board of directors," Hull said.

Hull said DSEC has a diverse system, providing the same electric

Party To Fete Rochelle White

A going-away reception will be held for Rochelle White this Sunday, December 16 at the Bovina Bank Community Room. This will be a come-and-go affair from 2:30-4 p.m. A money tree will be available.

"This will be a great opportunity to say 'thanks' to Roe for her work here in Parmer County," said Gary Patterson, CEA-Ag, Parmer County.

needs for rural areas as is found in the city. While irrigation is a big business, the system also includes feedyards, a packing plant, pet food plant, churches and schools.

The DSEC system will soon receive its seventh safety award, said Hull, an award the industry has been issuing for seven years. He also pointed out that engineers figure the outage time per meter is 5 hours per year, while the local average is just 1.5 hours a year.

"And our staff of 50 people is involved in every segment of community life, whether it be churches, civic clubs, charitable organizations or kids' programs. We have the type of people who are family oriented, many of them born here," observed Hull.

He added that the board of directors is very knowledgeable about rural electric co-ops. All seven have attended schools and have certificates of training, and that is very unusual to have the entire board certified, added Hull.

"DSEC is one of the pioneers in rural electrification, and Hull wants his members to realize that the industry is not in as bad a financial condition as some reports might make it seem."



JAMES HULL
(Article From Hereford Brand)

Courthouse Notes

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WD, Timothy Jeffress, Eleanor Walker, et al, all of Lots 1, 2, Blk. 1, Welch Acres Add., Friona

WD, Eleanor Walker, et al, Robert Buchwald, all of Lots 1, 2, Blk. 1, Welch Acres Add., Friona

Xmas Bazaar Is Slated

Westway Extension Homemakers of Hereford are sponsoring their "Country Christmas Bazaar," Saturday, December 15 at the Hereford Community Center at the corner of Avenue C and Park Avenue. The bazaar runs from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Over fifty participants from Hereford, Amarillo, Canyon, Littlefield, Clovis, Vega, Pampa, Plainview, Portales, Bovina and Hobbs, N.M. will be showing arts, crafts and baked goods. Concession booths will be providing food.

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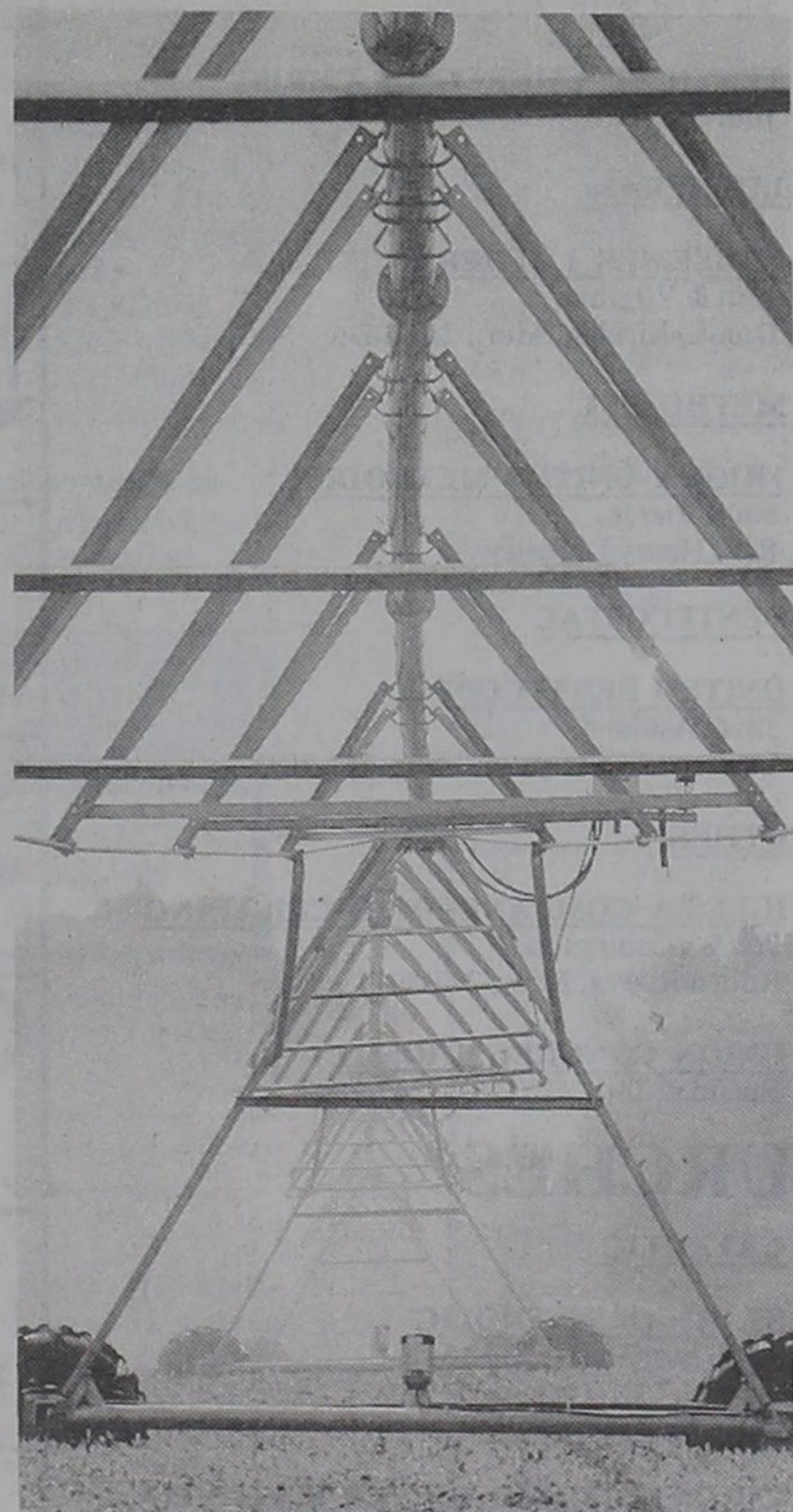


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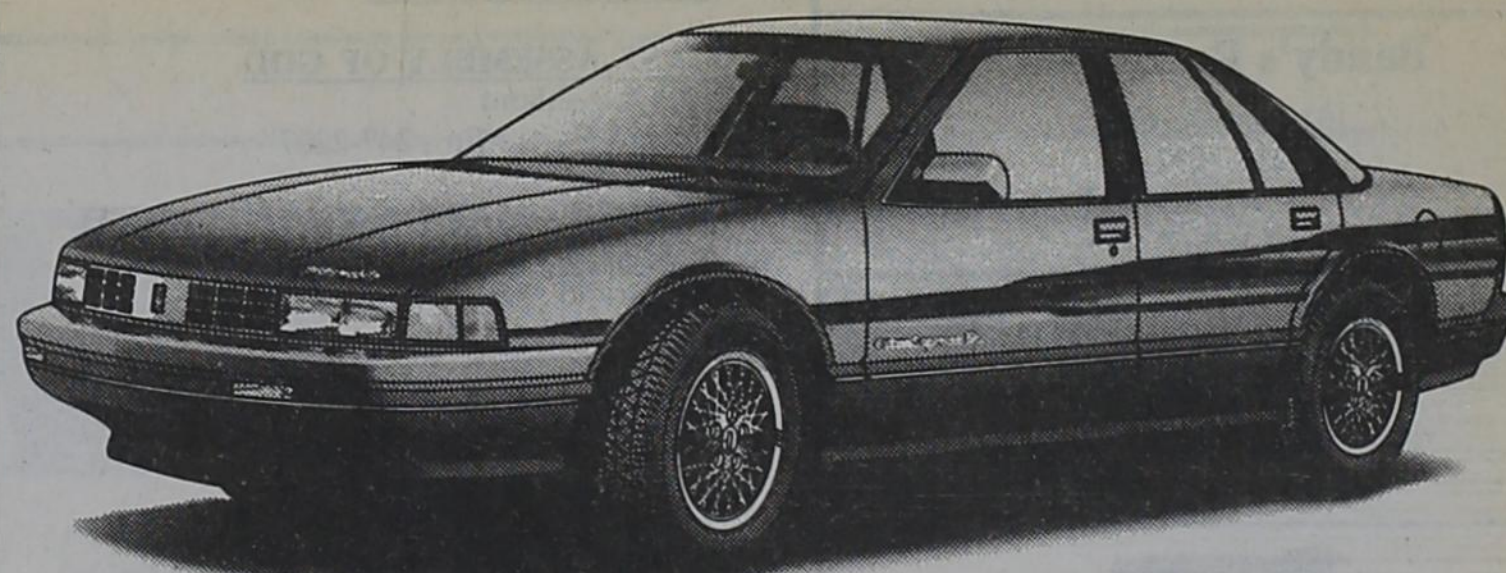


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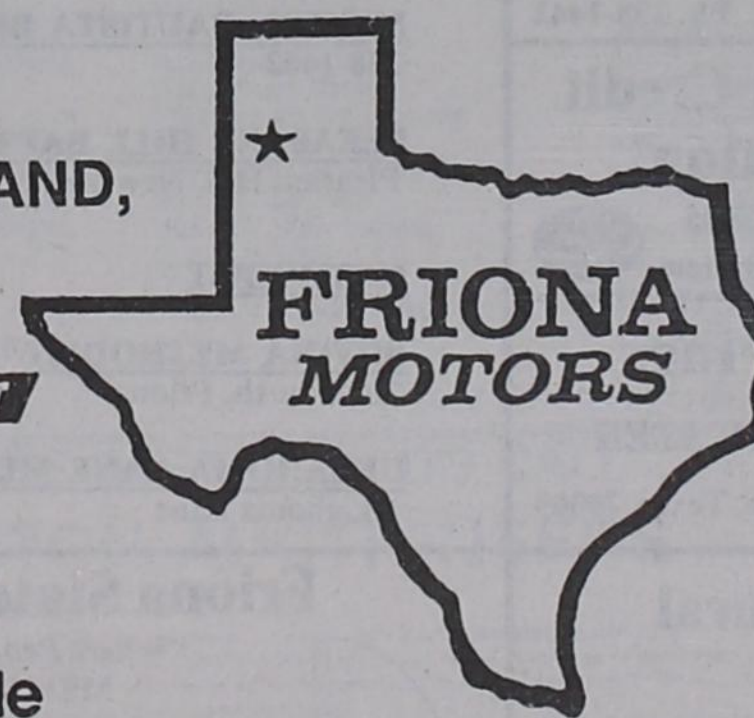
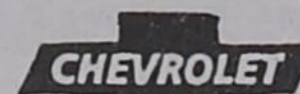
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WHEN PHARAOH WAS ADVISED BY JOSEPH TO STORE UP ALL THE FOOD GROWN IN THE LAND, DURING SEVEN YEARS OF PLENTY, AGAINST THE TIME WHEN THERE WOULD BE SEVEN YEARS FAMINE, ALL OF WHICH JOSEPH HAD PREDICTED BY INTERPRETING PHARAOH'S DREAM (GENESIS 41:25-44), PHARAOH WAS SO PLEASED HE MADE JOSEPH RULER OF THE ENTIRE LAND, SECOND ONLY TO PHARAOH, HIMSELF!

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AF ILL THAT, JOSEPH GAVE THE PEOPLE FREE GRAIN WITH WHICH TO PLANT MORE CROPS BUT THEY HAD TO GIVE TO PHARAOH ONE-FIFTH OF ALL THAT THEIR LAND PRODUCED, FROM THEN ON! WITHOUT A DOUBT, THIS WAS THE MOST EFFECTIVE TAKE-OVER OF A LAND BY ONE MAN THAT HISTORY HAS EVER RECORDED—"EFFICIENCY EXPERT" IS A MILD TERM FOR A MAN OF JOSEPH'S CALIBER, WHO HAD COME INTO EGYPT AS A SLAVE AND, IN DUE TIME, ENSLAVED THE ENTIRE NATION—ALL BY HIMSELF!

FINALLY, WHEN THE FARMERS NEEDED MORE FOOD AND GRAIN, THEY HAD NOTHING LEFT BUT THEIR LAND WHICH JOSEPH TOOK TITLE TO IN THE NAME OF PHARAOH IN PAYMENT FOR MORE FOOD AND GRAIN—SO THE PHARAOH WOUND UP OWNING ALL THE LAND OF EGYPT WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THOSE LANDS OWNED BY THE PRIESTHOOD! THE PRIESTS, WHO BY TRADITIONAL LAW, WERE FED FROM PHARAOH'S STORES, HENCE THEY HADN'T HAD TO BUY ANY FOOD OR GRAIN AND KEPT THEIR LANDS!

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50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY....Mr. and Mrs. Luis Serna, Sr. of Bovina will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary and a renewing of vows, hosted by their children, on Saturday, December 22 at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Bovina at 2 p.m. (CST). A reception will follow immediately after the ceremony. The couple was married December 16, 1940 in Weslaco, Texas. They have twelve children and sixteen grandchildren. No invitations will be sent locally, so all friends and family members are invited to attend. The couple requests no gifts, and only ask for your presence at their time of renewal.

Mustangs Compete In Farwell Tourney

The Bovina Mustangs dropped games to Friona and Olton at the Farwell Invitational Tournament last weekend. Earlier in the week, the team had lost a 60-53 decision to Hart.

In the Hart game, the Longhorns held leads of 14-10, 32-24 and 43-29. The Mustangs had a good final quarter, outscoring Hart, 24-17.

Jose Silva scored 14 and Cain Neal 12 to pace the Mustangs.

At the Farwell tournament, Bovina met Olton in the opening round. Olton's brand of Mustangs prevailed, 80-62.

Olton jumped out to a 24-10 first quarter lead. Cain Neal scored nine points and Corey Kirkpatrick five to pace Bovina's 18-point second-quarter but Olton still held a 39-28 halftime lead.

Kirkpatrick scored 15 second-half points, but Olton salted away the win.

Kirkpatrick's 22 points and Neal's 15 paced Bovina's scoring.

In the Friona game, the team trailed 15-11 after one quarter. But Juan Reyna scored a trio of baskets, Kory Mitchell had five points and Kirkpatrick four, as Bovina outscored the Chieftains 20-17 in the second quarter.

At the half, Bovina was trailing by just a point, 32-31.

The teams scored on about even terms in the third quarter, before Friona came to life with a 23-point fourth quarter for the win.

Kirkpatrick scored 17 points and Reyna ten for the Mustangs.

Hart 60, MUSTANGS 53

Juan Reyna 1*-2-5; Jose Silva 7-0-14; Kory Mitchell 2-1-5; Sammy Rodriguez 3-2-8; Darren Hromas 3-3-9; Cain Neal 5-2-12.

Olton 80, MUSTANGS 62

Reyna 2-0-4; Silva 2-1*-0-7; Kirkpatrick 6-2*-4-22; Mitchell 4-0-8; Hromas 2-0-4; Ortiz 1-0-2; Neal 5-5-15.

Friona 64, MUSTANGS 49

Reyna 5-0-10; Kirkpatrick 5-1*-4-17; Mitchell 3-1-7; Hromas 1-2-4; Neal 4-3-11.

Attended Cantata

Several people from the First Baptist Church went to Lubbock last Sunday evening and attended a cantata held at the First Baptist Church.

Eighteen adults and youngsters drove down in the church van and some of the adults took their vehicles. The group had dinner at the Red Lobster, went to the mall and looked around and then to the cantata. Reports were that it was fantastic.

Adults going with the young people were Coleman Young, Mike and Brenda Jansen, Galen and Judy Hromas and Larry and Judy Hodnett.

SS Class Has Party In Clovis

The Joyful Servants Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church had their Christmas party on Monday night and the group had dinner at the LaVilla Steak House in Clovis.

Those attending were June McMeans, Erra Jamerson, Mearle Morgan, Dickie and Mary Evelyn Steelman, Jack and Ona Patterson, Keith and Laqueta Garner, Jack Rains, Les and Rose McCain, Brother Richard and Wilma Nell Widner, J.B. and Sue Barrett, Don and Juanda Murphy and Grady and Dorothy Sorley.

Butch McCain of Oklahoma City dropped by for a short visit. The teacher is Laqueta Garner and the substitute is Joy Melton. Laqueta was presented a Christmas gift from the class.

C. Owen's Rites Held

Funeral services for Carolyn R. Owen, 53, were held Thursday at the Texline Baptist Church with the Rev. Billy Rammage, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Clayton, N.M., officiating.

Burial was in Texline Cemetery. Mrs. Owen passed away Sunday, December 2.

She was born in Plainview, and married Charlie Owen in 1956 in Aiken. She had moved to Texline in 1986 from Friona.

While a resident of Friona, Mrs. Owen worked as bookkeeper for Parmer County Implement Company for 21 years, and for the Friona Independent School District nine years.

She was a member of the Texline Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Charlie; a daughter, Edie Wyn of Amarillo; her mother, Luzelle Campbell of Clayton, N.M.; and a grandson, Zachary Wyn of Amarillo.

The family requests memorials be to the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center, 1500 Wallace Blvd., Amarillo, Texas, 79106.



ATTEND CONVENTION....The Bovina Student Council members presented a skit at the convention held December 5 at the West Texas State University Activity Center.

Student Council Attends Convention

The Bovina Student Council has been very busy lately. The council had four meetings for the month of November. Most of the month went to planning for the District I Convention that was held December 5, at the WTSU Activity Center.

The council had sent in their application to run for the office of District I vice president.

Members of the council and a few non-members helped in putting together a skit with the theme, "Ride the Electric Slide with B.H.S." The skit was presented at the convention and the Bovina Student Council was elected to the office of District I vice president. Nine hundred students participated.

Another thing that Student Council has been busy working on is a Christmas tree project. The council has voted to purchase a Christmas tree to be placed in the cafeteria. Students in Bovina Schools have been asked to contribute ornaments to the tree project.

The tree was to be put up December 8, 1990. If anyone has any ornaments they would like to get rid of, the Student Council would like to use them. If you would like them back, the tree will be taken down December 20.

The Student Council will also be working on Teacher Appreciation for the High School teachers before Christmas vacation. Also the Safety and SMILE committees will be working on projects concerning the purpose of their committees (drug, alcohol and safety awareness) for the Christmas season.

The "I Caught You Being Good" program is also doing very well in the Junior High and High School. The purpose of the program is to reward those students for good deeds rather than send discipline notices for bad behavior to the parents of the students.

The Student Council would also like to thank those people that helped put our skit together and for their wonderful support. We would also like to wish everyone a very happy and safe holiday season!

The dance-skit members were: Genaro Ruvalcaba, Rodney Shepherd, Kory Mitchell, Grace Uriegas, Donna Griggs, Elaine Garza, Wendy Jones, Melissa Rodriguez, Christina Noriega, Virginia Noriega, Michelle Stanberry, Lupe Garcia and Jamie Fuentes.

The Student Council advisors are Mrs. Jennings and Mrs. Thieman.

Trees Are Beneficial

Many people enjoy having wildlife on their property. Wildlife have basic needs. They need food, water, shelter, and reproductive areas. Trees and shrubs can provide all of these needs except water.

Many times, after the crops are harvested here on the plains, one of the few places wildlife can find cover is where trees have been planted. These trees provide protection, not only from harsh winter weather, but also from predators. These trees also provide areas for nesting in the spring. Some trees and shrubs provide fruit and berries which wildlife utilize for food.

Trees can be planted in rows or in groves or clumps. The groves and clumps are best suited for odd shaped areas which are not being used for another purpose. When protection for livestock is a concern, a row of trees may be the best choice. Whether the landowner chooses to plant trees in an odd pattern or in a row, if wildlife habitat improvement is a main concern, there should be several rows and several different types of trees.

If protection for livestock is the main concern two to three rows of evergreens such as Rocky mountain juniper, and Eastern red cedar can be effective. Some of the benefits to livestock include: reduction of feed needed, the chance of losing newborns is reduced, and the chance of freezing exposed flesh such as teats is also reduced.

Whether the concern is for wildlife or livestock protection there are several things that you must have to grow trees in this area. The first is a supply of water. Trees must be watered to survive. One of the most effective ways to do this is with a drip irrigation system. The trees must be protected from livestock. This means a fence will have to be put up around them if livestock is present. The seedling trees will also need wind protection for the first few years.

These are some of the things to consider when planting trees. For more information on planting trees for wildlife or livestock protection, contact the Soil Conservation Service office at 247-2220 or come by 1306 W. Ninth in Friona.

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Scooter's Scoops

By Scooter Russell

It was a beautiful weekend for the bird hunters. In fact, most of the time it was shirt sleeve weather. The hunting was not much to brag about, but the guys had a good time, anyway.

We did hear about one hunter that did alright. He is Grant Nuttall, A.L.'s nine-year-old grandson. Grant and his dad, Ronnie, came for the hunt and Grant shot a pheasant and killed it with his BB gun.

Later he got one with a shotgun, so he was really walking in tall cotton! The men said he began early and stayed up with the rest of them. Said he probably walked a good five or six miles....

The building that burned last week was a part of the vegetable shed. It was the part that stored the equipment or whatever but you'd have to be an old timer to remember that far back.

Suezy Smith was telling me that her brother, Kenneth Estes, and his family have moved to El Paso and work at the Lemore Children's Home there. Kenneth is administrator over three orphanages. They were at

Buckner's Orphanage in Lubbock for thirteen years before moving to El Paso.

Kenneth's son, Kenny, lived in Bovina several years and is now working in an office in the oil fields at Longview, Texas. He and his wife have twin boys, Skye and Jace. Kenny has a degree in psychology.

The family recently attended funeral services for Suezy's second cousin, Ed Shamblin, who lived in Amherst for years and while there raised bean sprouts. Many knew Ed in this area. Suezy said he was in the hospital and they were getting him ready for heart surgery when he had a heart attack and died. He was survived by his wife and two sons. They lived near Abilene.

Sandra Clayton, her mother, Velma May of Levelland, and her sister, Judy Seagraves, drove to Dallas and enjoyed a shopping spree. They also visited with four of Sandra's aunts living in the Dallas area.

Sue Fowler drove to Floydada

and visited with her mother, Eula Gross, a week ago Friday.

Several of our people had a good time in Las Vegas in recent days and most enjoyed the rodeo. Those who went were Wes and Charollette, Pat and Donna, Steve and Sandra, Rick and Denise, Houston and Laura, Mike and Denise. Sounded like they all had a good time.

Carolyn Owen passed away, and services were held in recent weeks. She was survived by her husband, Charlie, and her daughter, Edie. They lived in Bovina several years ago. She died after being ill for some time with cancer. They lived at Texline.

Janie Beauchamp underwent surgery at Lubbock Methodist Hospital and friends said she is getting along real well and may be out of the hospital by the time the paper is out.

Leona Steelman was taken by Bovina Ambulance to Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona Sunday morning. On Monday, her condition had improved slightly. You may want to check on her.

Butch McCain was in Bovina for the opening of pheasant season. His mom, Rose, said the men didn't have much luck, but have had a good visit with son, Butch.

Wedding Reminder

Sonya Michele Mayfield of Bovina and Steven Randolph Strong of Portales will exchange wedding vows December 29 at 2:30 p.m. (C.S.T.) in Kingswood United Methodist Church, 2600 N. Main, Clovis, N.M.

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