The Bouina Blade

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1999

Be Watching For The Big Christmas Issue Next Week!



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Drive Tuesday

"The greatest gift is a portion of thy self. Give the gift of life. Donate blood."

The Coffee Memorial Blood Center of Amarillo will hold a blood drive in Bovina on Tuesday, December 21 from 4-6 p.m. at the EMS Building on 3rd Street.

Donors will receive a Tshirt and snacks will be available. For information about donor qualifications, hours or call 806-358-4563.

Aldermen Approve Third Well Location at City Park

The Board of Aldermen met in regular session December 9, 1999 at 7 p.m. Present were City Manager Ed Barrett, Mayor Galen Hromas, Aldermen Kenneth Waters, Kevin Hughes, and Linda Marshall.

The meeting was called to order at 7:20 p.m. Marshall made a motion to pay the bills, Hughes seconded, motion passed. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Waters moved to locate the third water well at the southeast corner in the city park. Hughes seconded, motion passed.

Marshall made a motion come by during the drive to enter into the HGAC interlocal agreement. Hughes seconded, motion passed.

sewer plant, Marshall made a the budget. motion to terminate Gary seconded, motion passed. McKay and contract Dwight plant project properly. Waters seconded, motion Waters seconded, motion passed.

Hughes made a motion to adjourned at 10:35 p.m. purchase radar and video

equipment for the Police After a discussion on the Department and to amend

Hughes made a motion to Brandt to complete the sewer table the pay schedule.

The meeting was

Texico On Tap Tonight For Bovina Mustangs

Bovina's Mustangs and Fillies have not found the winning groove so far in the 1999-2000 basketball season.

Fillies coach Mike Newman had a bout with hantivirus for a couple of weeks. The serious ailment affects the lungs and can be life threatening but happily Coach Newman is back in action although not 100%.

Athletic Director Bruce Scroggins filled in for Newman while he was in the

Then this week as Bovina took on Hart, Fillies starters K'Leigh Scroggins and Letie Vargas were out with illness.

defeated the Fillies 78-26 as reserve Jennifer Cantu was the top Fillies scorer with 10 points. Over on the Mustang

side, coach Mike Martin's boys team has played well but not landed on the positive side of the final score very often.

Against the Hart Longhorns this week, the Mustangs carried a 10-point lead into the fourth quarter thanks to the withering scoring of Sergio Nieto and Jason Stone.

However, Hart took advantage of Bovina's conservative play and scored 22 points in the fourth quarter to

Bovina's 12, resulting in a 66-66 tie.

In overtime, the Longhorns pulled away to take the win 78-73. For the Mustangs, leading scorers were Sergio Nieto 27 and Jason Stone 23.

The Mustangs and Fillies JV and varsity teams square off against the Texico Wolverines tonight (Friday, Dec 17) at Texico. During the school holidays the varsity boys and girls will play in the Silverton tournament Dec 27-30.

In the girls game, Hart eated the Fillies 78-26 as Deadline Extended

The deadline to join Project Christmas Card has been extended to noon on Monday.

Those planning to donate to the project must do so in order to have their names listed in the newspaper's Christmas issue.



As of December 16, 1999

bales of cotton had been ginned in

Parmer County.

Friona Star and Bovina Blade Survey

Bovina Lions Club Has Christmas Fete

The Bovina Lions Club's Christmas party was held Thursday evening, December

Marissa Pardo, waitress, steak meal with all the trimmings and also a big Christmas cake was made

Those in attendance were: Jay and Patsy Sherrill, Grady and Dorothy Sorley, C.E. and Joy Trimble, Jim and Scooter Russell, Pat and

Also, Don McNerlin, Frances Willard, Bob and Sarah Owen, Tom and Virginia Rhodes, Billy and Suezy Smith, Wayne and Jeaneen Erwin and Darla

perform in this week's musical presentation by the elementary school students.

FROSTY THE SNOWMAN is all ready to



Pheasant Hunter Injured In Accidental Shooting Sunday

Sheriff Walt Yerger, a pheasant hunter from Amarillo was accidently shot during a hunt last Sunday.

At about 9 a.m. on Sunday, December 12, Chris Bass of Amarillo was in a party of five pheasant hunters in rural Parmer

The five men were separated by a fence and were about ten yards apart. One group of two hunters took a shot at a bird and Bass was struck by one of their shots.

Bass was taken to the Muleshoe Hospital by his companions. He was treated and released with minor birdshot wounds to the face,

City Hall Holiday

Schedule In observance of the coming holiday season, the Bovina City Hall will be closed on the following schedule.

Close at noon on December 23. Closed all day on Friday, December 24 and Monday, December 27. Closed on Friday, December 31.

According to a news head, neck and hand.

Sheriff Yerger stated that since this was apparently an accidental shooting no charges are pending, but the case was referred to the Parmer County District Attorney for review.

Parmer Co. Receives Sales Tax

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander today delivered her final sales tax rebates for 1999 -- a total of \$222.9 million to 1,105 cities and 119 counties.

December sales tax rebates include local sales taxes collected by monthly filers in October and reported to the Comptroller in November. The next sales tax allocation is scheduled for

Parmer County received \$38,793 this period and has received \$314,030 in 1999 payments to date.

Friday, January 14, 2000.

The payment for the current period was 50% more than received in the same period last year. However, the total 1999 revenue is down by 8.27% over 1998.

The 1999 revenue received by city was: Bovina, \$28,236; Farwell, \$49,522; and Friona \$236,271.

Citations **Issued To Partiers**

Parmer County Sheriff Walt Yerger reported that about 1 a.m. Sunday morning, December 12, the Sheriff's office received a complaint of a party involving underage drinkers at a residence east of Friona.

When deputies arrived they found a large group of people under the age of 21 drinking at the residence. One person present was 23 years of age who supposedly supplied the alcohol for the underage drinkers.

Ten misdemeanor citations were issued for minor in consumption of alcoholic beverages and one citation was issued for providing alcohol to a minor.

All of the partiers except the 23-year-old had driven to the location. The deputies made arrangements to transport them safely back to their homes.



and served to guests.

After the meal the men sacked many sacks of candy to be given away when Santa Claus comes to town.

Pat Kunselman.

Sealy.

LION'S SACKING PARTY....Bovina's Lion's Club members and friends gathered this week to sack and box food items for the needy this Christmas. Bob Owen, center, is assisted by C. E. Trimble and Darla photo by scooter russell

school musical presentation. Rudolph is played by third grader Robert Salas. ron carr photo WITH THE LAST Christmas of the twentieth century MY looming just a week away, we've been remembering some TURN Carol Ellis into the huge Ellis clan, and my being an only child at that, I

RUDOLPH THE RED NOSED REINDEER was

just one of the characters in the elementary

special past Christmases of our lives. Topping the list of the best is "Christmas down on Grandpa's farm with all the aunts, uncles and cousins gathered 'round." As a young bride who had just married

was wide-eyed in amazement at the entire proceedings. Gifts were given on Christmas Eve, but nothing could be opened until the last family had arrived. By that time, the assortment of colored packages under the small tree had grown

children were just about hysterical with anticipation. Within a few minutes the room was adrift in waist-high waves of puffy paper wrappings and ribbons. One of the "Mr. Clean" uncles located a large cardboard box to take out all of the paper which would later be burned. This was before plastic garbage bags, and farm folks still burned their own trash. At some point on Christmas Day, the large box would 9, at the Plaza in Bovina. reappear while someone dug through the rumpled wrappings in search of a missing vital part to a toy or a small set of served twenty-one guests a

to cover almost the entire floor of the living room, and little

A huge turkey was thawing and ladies out in the kitchen were involved in pre-preparation for tomorrow's big Christmas Day dinner. A lot of fellows that I didn't know were sitting around the large kitchen table, drinking coffee, playing dominoes, and sampling any pies or cakes which were allowed. Finally a few folks got sleepy and started hunting for beds. A couple of roll-away beds and several cots appeared from somewhere. Pallets of quilts had already been made on the living room floor for tiny cousins who were urged to "Hurry and get to sleep so Santa can come." Then in the middle of the night, young daddies were up tiptoeing through mounds of sleeping children to place their Santa toys under the tree.

It must have been at the crack of dawn when the smell of bacon and fresh coffee wafted into the icy bedroom, and I burrowed down under about fifteen pounds of quilts and blankets to try and catch a few more minutes of delicious slumber. As each person staggered sleepy-eyed into the warm kitchen they were greeted with "We thought you were gonna sleep all day." That was at 7 a.m. and I'm not a "morning

I still don't know how that one small bathroom accomodated all those people. But some got desperate enough to make the cold trek out back to the old out-house which wasn't used

much anymore by that time. Still more folks arrived on Christmas morning and I couldn't believe that I was suddenly related to so many human beings. Were they all checking out Billy's new wife of five days? I felt a bit like a Christmas window display.

There seemed to be enough food on hand to feed all of Bailey County. Every female who walked into that kitchen added at least one ingredient to the stuffing. It turned out great. It was actually stuffed into the cavity of the turkey and no one got sick and died from it. Card tables were set up for the children, while adults ate at the big table. After the most wonderful meal of my lifetime, the left-overs were placed on top of the stove and covered with clean dish towels. People snacked and nibbled on that meal for two days AND . . . no one got sick and died from it.

It seems like a century ago in another place and time. I can't remember what actual gifts were given or received that year, but the nicest thing was given to me that Christmas of 1958. I received the gift of belonging to a huge family. It

was the gift of love.



WHO SHOT IT?...Christen Stowers, center, Marissa Rodriguez (54) and K'Leigh Scroggins (34) watch the ball swish through the net in the game against Floyd.



SERGIO SHOOTS....Mustang leading scorer Sergio Nieto (23) launches one of his left-handed jumpers against Floyd as Jason Stone (22) and Tyson Kerby (11) look on. photos by k'dawn scroggins

....from the files of The Bovina Blade

40 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 22, 1959 Billie Sudderth and Troy Fuller, both of Bovina, are 35 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 16, 1964 Texas Champion and runnerup respectively in the 1959 DeKalb corn growing contest.

A run-away snow-plowing truck, its driver overcome by carbon monoxide fumes, plowed into French Cook's garage on Highway 86 Tuesday afternoon. Dale Harmon, 21, was unconscious to Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona and immediately put under

an oxygen tent.

A group of local men left Monday for a pheasant hunting trip. They planned to go to Chappel and Lincoln,
Nebraska. They planned to about 4 p.m. Friday, when be gone about a week. Quickel.

Clyde Woltman, 71, died

with his family in 1916. He owned and operated a farm between Bovina and Mule-

30 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 17, 1969

their car was struck by Making the trip were Earl another vehicle at the Stevenson, Eual Hart and Ike intersection of Third Street and Highway 60.

Mrs. Charles Gilbreath in the truck but was not injured when it hit the garage. Harmon was rushed Albuquerque. Mr. Woltman taken to Parmer County had entered the hospital Community Hospital for Wednesday morning. Mr. treatment. Mrs. Gilbreath Woltman moved to Bovina remains a patient there. remains a patient there.

> 25 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 18, 1974 Larry Webb, manager of the Bovina Wheat Growers, Inc. and Walter Potts of Rhea, a member of the cooperative's board of directors, attended the 1974 annual meeting of Farmland Industries in Kansas City Wednesday through Friday of last week.

20 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 26, 1979 The Christmas Card fund

drive, sponsored by the Bovina Woman's Study Club presented representatives of the Bovina Ambulance Service with a check for \$1,705.00 Julia Ann Moody began

her duties this week as editor of the Bovina Blade. Fire damaged the

Browsabout on December 24 and smoke and heat damage took its toll on the store.

10 Yrs. Ago-- Dec. 20, 1989 Services for Bennie McKay, 40, of Clovis, were held Friday at Steed-Todd Chapel of Clovis.

Twenty-eight Christmas carolers met at the First United Methodist Church last week and went around town singing to individuals. After they finished caroling, the group returned to the church for refreshments and waited for Santa.

5 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 17, 1994

Trey Widner, son of Larry and Debbie Widner won \$10 for riding the most miles and collecting \$75 for the annual St. Jude bike-a-thon. A total of \$275 was raised for this event.

All sixth and eighth grade Bovina art students entered an art contest sponsored by the Texas Secretary of State, Texas Register Division.

Jim Russell's Mother Dies In Hereford

Funeral services for Annie "Mae" Russell, 92, of Hereford were held Monday at the Avenue Baptist Church in Hereford with the Reverend Jim Bulin, pastor, officiating.

Burial was at the Palo Duro Cemetery in Wildorado under the direction of Rix Funeral Directors of Hereford.

She died Friday, December 10, 1999, at Hereford Regional Medical Center. She was born on September 22, 1907, in

Emory. She married James Roy Russell in 1927. She served a dietitian for 15 years at Deaf Smith General Hospital.

She was a member of Hereford Senior Citizens and Avenue Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by a son, Charles Russell, died in 1996.

Survivors include a daughter, Carol Odom Sartain of Hereford; a son, Jim Russell of Bovina; 11 grandchildren; 13 greatgrandchildren; and five greatgreat-grandchildren.

ENMU Sets Graduation Activities

Eastern New Mexico University in Portales, New Mexico will hold commencement activities on Friday, December 17. Commencement itself will be at 8 p.m. in Greyhound Arena.

The Board of Regents will meet at 9:30 a.m. in the Regents Room of the Administration Building. The dedication of the new art sculpture next to the Education Building will be at 1:30 p.m. Baccalaureate will be at 2 p.m. in Buchanan Hall of the Music Building.

An Honors Convocation will be held at 3 p.m. in the University Theatre Center. A New Graduate Reception, hosted by Alumni Affairs, will be at 4 p.m. in the Campus Union Building Ballroom.

The public is invited to all activities.



HIGH FLYER...Mustang ace Jason Stone usually shoots from 3-point range but here he puts in a soft jumper as teammate Josh Quintana (20) looks on.

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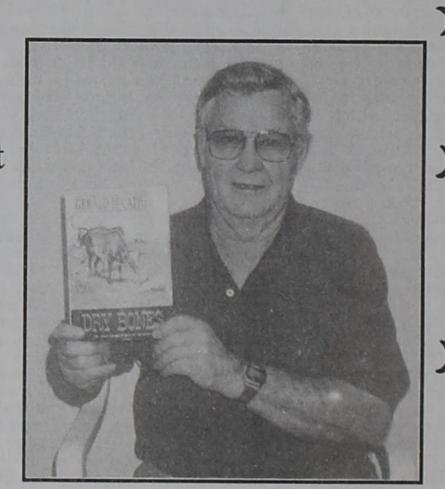


FIGHTIN' WITH FLOYD Fillie junior K'Leigh Scroggins is sandwiched by Floyd defenders as she tries a pass to Letie Vargas (10). photos by k'dawn scroggins

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By Ron Carr

"David Martin Long Never Had A Home!"

About once a year I steal a column. A lot of columnists nowadays rely on material they steal off the Internet to fill their column space.

Rather than say they just didn't have a clue what to write about, a columnist will say, "here is an item somebody sent me in my Email and I wanted to pass it on to you because I know you will enjoy it."

What that really means is "I took the easy way out and stole some info off the Internet so I wouldn't have to come up with an original idea this week." E-mail is the equivalent of a technological chain letter.

I haven't acquired that habit of using "things" off the Internet to fill a column space. There are plenty of "things" I want to write about. Filling one column a

reader. In my early days in what he wrote: Dallas, columnists like Dick Hitt and Blackie Sherrod were regular reads for me.

Another columnist I read every day in the Dallas Morning News was Paul Crume. He was a native of Parmer County. Matter of fact his sister, Mary Lou Taylor, still lives in Friona. Paul was a well known and well loved columnist. His column collection has been published in a book.

I still read columns regularly. If it is in the Amarillo, Lubbock or Clovis paper, I usually read it. I appreciate good writing about an interesting topic.

I manage to get a copy of the Dallas Morning News once a week on Friday when I take this newspaper to Canyon for printing. Major newspapers like the Dallas Morning News and USA

Today do not make their way to Parmer County so a weekly Dallas paper is a real treat for me.

The column I am stealing was written by Dallas Morning News columnist cause. Steve Blow. Mr. Blow's Bu column appears daily on the has no doubts about the front of the News' Metro Section. He writes a lot of human interest columns, sometimes controversial, sometimes serious, often humorous.

I wanted to pass along his column of Friday, December 10. It is thought provoking. The way society is headed at the end of this century, we need our thoughts provoked.

His topic is one that has always confounded me. What happens between birth and adulthood that turns an innocent baby into a killer.

His column was titled week doesn't seem to be a "Sister Believes Killer problem yet. Learned From Parents." I have always been an There is surely a sermon topic avid newspaper column in it somewhere. Here is

> Lynda Dornhoff will never forget her baby brother's

> She was 6 and a proud big sis.

"He was absolutely beautiful, absolutely angelic looking," she said. "he had eyes that were the color of the sky--so blue, like my mom's. He was so sweet and precious."

That image of David Long as an innocent baby is a far cry from his final one--a convicted hatchet murderer, strapped to a gurney and executed this week for his

His big sister holds both those images in her mind, however. And she's tormented by all that happened in between.

"I feel so guilty," she said

brother."

In his final statement, 46year-old David apologized for his crimes and said he couldn't really pinpoint the

source. "Our parents," she

"They were bad parents. With our home life, with alcohol- and drug-addicted parents, we never had a

Actually, she clarified, it was the two youngest brothers who had no chance.

As a girl and the oldest, Lynda was pushed early into a caretaker role for the family. That gave her protection. And the next child, Gary, was able to fend for himself as the oldest boy.

But it was the next two, Daniel and David, who took the brunt of their father's mounting abuse and their mother's passive neglect, she

"With parents like mine, they recognize early on which are the weakest ones and which they can abuse the

can't understand why she school. He was abused, stood by and let all this criticized, and deprived of happen. I was 16 when she learning values and morals died. I don't know. I from the day of his birth. couldn't figure her out."

about the abuse only a reaching out and looking for month before his death in September. "He pretty much hung up the phone and I never talked to him again."

Lynda worries that as the number of abusive and dysfunctional homes grows, so will the number of damaged, dangerous people like her brother. "We were just the pioneers of this whole sick thing."

She said she tried many

"that I couldn't save my little times to cry out for help for herself and her brothers. But no one came. "I feel like I should have done more to get us out of there,"she said.

When she could, Lynda se. saved herself. She married But his 52-year-old sister and moved far away--to Nebraska. She still lives there, the mother of four good

Her oldest brother, Gary, went to live with another family at 13. He excelled academically and is a lawyer in California.

The next brother, Daniel, has struggled with drugs and despair all his life. Lynda worries that he will follow in David's footsteps someday.

And David Ultimately, all that was left for a big sis to do was write an obituary for the baby brother she loved so much:

David Martin Long of Ellis Unit, Huntsville, Texas, died Dec. 8, 1999, at 7:18 p.m. He was put to death by lethal injection in the State of Texas.

He was born July 15, 1953, in San Angelo, Texas, st." to unloving, neglectful, Lynda is most puzzled alcoholic and drug-addicted now by her mother. "I just parents. He rarely attended

He never had a "home." She confronted her father He spent his childhood love and parental guidance. He spent his adolescence becoming bitter and turning to crime. He spent his years as a young man and an adult incarcerated, lonely and lost.

He is survived by his sister and two brothers, who are heartbroken because they couldn't save him.

They prayerfully request your memorials in the form of unending, nurturing love, fierce protection, and guidance of your children by you, their parents.



MERRY CHRISTMAS at Prairie Acres. The festive atmosphere at Prairie Acres is enjoyed by residents and employees. Here, Carol Jackson shares a smile with fellow employees at the nurse's station. ron carr photo



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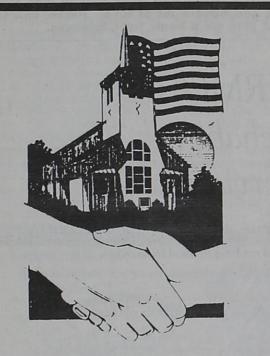
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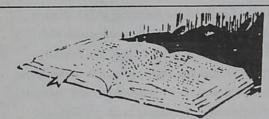
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room, 1-3/4 bathrooms, brick house on corner lot. Call 247-F-tfnc-5/21

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IN OR OUT...In seventh grade action against Hale Center, these players are waiting for the ball to come down one way or the other. Ponies are Hugo Antillon (15), Alex Espinosa (30) and Danny Solis. photos by k'dawn scroggins



FAKE RIGHT, GO LEFT... Eighth grader Raymond Chisom, right, practices on his fake moves against this Hale Center defender.



MIDDLE SCHOOL ACTION...Alfredo Martinez, left, is trying to sneak around a Hale Center player. Alfredo is an eighth grader.



ARE WE READY?...Looking for a teammate to toss to is seventh grade basketballer Hugo Antillon.

Scooter's Scoops

By SCOOTER RUSSELL

Winter time is definitely with us this week. We have had snow, cold wind and a busy time for everyone because Christmas time is here. We'll be closed the week after Christmas, our next paper will be the last of the year, century and he has had besides the millennium!

NEWS AROUND TOWN... We have had lots of sadness among our people in recent weeks as some of our people and former residents have lost loved ones.

Laura Tritsch's services were held last week. She was such a sweet person and back over the years could raise all kinds of plants and flowers and loved her little chickens of all varieties. I took pictures of her little banty chickens one year and she loved talking about them.

She was able to stay at home all of her life even though she was past ninety years of age. Her son, Virgil, cared for her and was so good to his mama. We express our sympathies to her family.

Brother Porforio Mejia passed away and he still has family in Bovina. He and his wife, Patsy, had lived in Memphis for several years but were former residents of Bovina and raised a fine family. He had many friends and was a precious person.

Keith Garner is still in "rehab" in Amarillo and friends who have visited him said he is in good spirits and

Happy Birthday

Birthdays for the week of December 19-25, 1999. Dec 19 Mary Treinen,

Cecil Bunch, Ryan McClaran Dec 20 Morgan Clayton, Joe Jones

Dec 21 Tomas Fuentes, Sr., Brenda Wilson Dec 22 Dick Steelman, Tabitha Englant

Dec 23 Artie Faye O'Hair Dec 24 Nita Marshall Dec 25 Maria Robledo, Ethel Johnson

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be in IHS Rehab until the Angelo and visited with both and her family. twentieth of this month.

injuries in a two vehicle accident a few weeks ago and was evidently a strong person to have lived through all that surgeries.

Patricia Martinez had brain surgery recently and is now taking radiation and will have to for several weeks. She was scheduled for surgery on an eye Tuesday in the hospital where she is a patient, Amarillo's Northwest Texas Hospital.

Jim Russell's mom, Mae Russell of Hereford, passed away this past weck and funeral services were held on Monday. It was a sad time for all of our family. Mrs. Russell worked at the nursery in the Avenue Baptist Church for thirty years and when she retired was honored by the church with a reception and nice gift.

At the services there were many in their forties that were in her nursery' way back. She was a wonderful mother-in-law and we'll miss

your calls, cards, flowers and food.

Don and Juanda Murphy had hunters over the first week of pheasant hunting. Their grandsons, Brandon of Lubbock, Adam and Kip Murphy, who are students at Texas Tech; a friend, B.K. of Abilene, and friends, Amanda and Reagan of Lubbock.

The Murphys had a busy day on Monday, as they drove to Hereford for Mae Russell's funeral, on to Amarillo and visited with Keith Garner and then to Plainview and attended a dinner for one of the area missionaries, Leonard Malone.

Sandra Clayton's dad, Earl May of Levelland, was hospitalized for another round of chemotherapy but should be out of the hospital by the time the paper is out.

steadily improving. He will his family went to San by his mom, Joyce, and sister his and his wife's families Keith suffered multiple then Brother Gary and his dad drove them to Austin area and visited with his grandmother.

> Sid Lloyd is out of the of this week in Lamesa. hospital and is back at her home in Hale Center after spending a couple of weeks in the hospital, after she fell a couple of times. Her condition family members.

A.L. Nuttall and wife, Sue, had pheasant hunters in and out of their home during the weekend. Including son Mark Fancher of Houston; friends, Connie Baird of Abilene, Ben Landrum of Amarillo and his two sons; A.L.'s brother, Jack Nuttall of Clovis, and friend, Pat Minor of Clovis.

Sue said they had a "fair" hunt but less than expected, so they had to work at it harder than was first thought. Had a lot of fun though and a good visit with several.

Jim and I visited shortly with Cecil Bunch in Clovis last week. He was telling us rainy there but they enjoyed We want to thank you for that his gall bladder "died" and they gave him one day to live without surgery so it was a close call. He Bartlett have returned underwent the surgery and will go back for tests on his liver later.

Cecil and his wife, June are fine people and it was good to see them. They said they still get the Blade and keep up with all of us.

Les and Rose McCain and son Ben have recently returned from a trip that took them almost two thousand miles. They drove through Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Tennessee, and Mississippi. They spent three nights in Oklahoma City and visited with friends.

Funeral services were held last week for Larry Hammonds. He lived a couple of houses from us for years. He was a friendly boy and always loved visiting with Brother Gary Morgan and everyone. He was survived

Larry Hodnet's grandmother passed away. She was Hattie Brooks of Lamesa and was in her 90s. Funeral services were held on Monday

We understand K'Leigh Scroggins a high school student is getting along fine now but it was a scary time has improved, according to for her family. She had some type of virus and became unconscious.

> Her mother K'Dawn found her and was able to give CPR before the ambulance arrived. She was taken to the Clovis hospital where she remained for a few hours. Her mom is principal at our middle school and her dad, Bruce is a coach.

> Jack and Carolyn Rains went to Post where Jack's mother lives out on a ranch and their son, Steve and his friend, Mac Mosely, came from Ft. Worth and went deer hunting on Mrs. Rains' place. Steve killed a deer and this was the first deer killed there.

Said it was cold and being together.

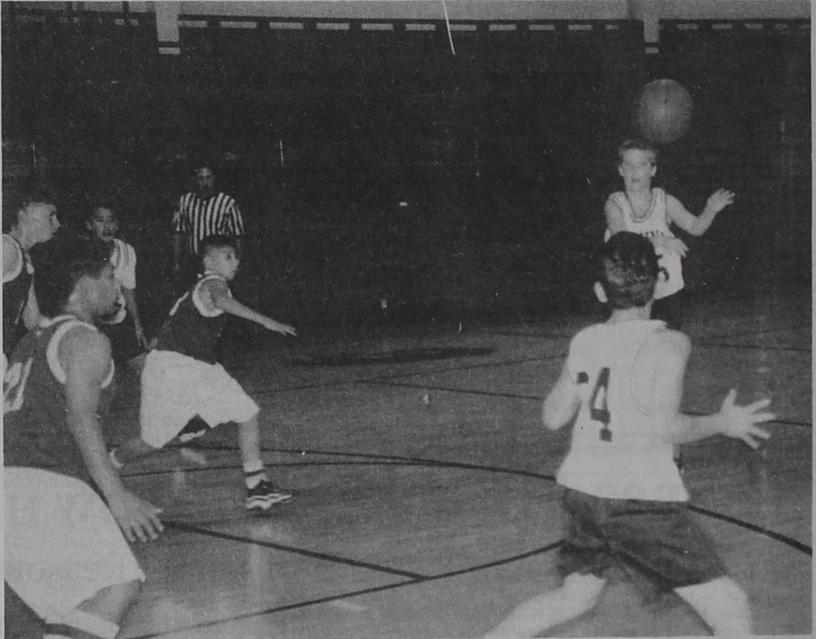
Houston and Laura recently from a trip to Las Vegas. They flew to Nevada and saw the NCR rodeo finals. They have done this for several years and said it was a lot of fun.

I talked to Dub Adams of Dumas. Dub grew up in Bovina and worked for husband Jim at Bovina Wheat Growers for several

Dub suffered a bad stroke and was a patient at Baptist/St. Anthony's Hospital until last week when he was released. He still can't walk and is still taking therapy.

THINK ABOUT IT:

As a nation, we are dedicated to keeping physically fit but parking as close to the mall as possible. Have a great week and thanks for your calls for Scoops....Scooter



BETTER CATCH IT...Seventh grader Chad Scroggins, right, passes the ball off to teammate Jose Valadez (4) in the middle school game against Hale Center.

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