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Bulletins**
By
Bill Ellis

Trade Days: How Can It Help Bovina

HAVING JUST completed their convention in hot, humid Dallas, the Republicans must surely be wondering (at least some of them), if it was all really worth the trouble.

We have mentioned before that the major political parties could save a lot of political expense, as well as time, by holding national primary dates, and this would negate the purpose of holding their political conventions.

We're just as sure, however, that even in the case of an incumbent president, such as the Republicans had--where the end result of their convention is predictable--they are not going to consider such an alternative.

The conventions have become a "media event." They use the coverage, especially of television, to get some national exposure for various members of their party, and to expound on some of the planks in their party platform, without having to pay the usual political advertising charges!

And, by and large, the conventions are probably a good thing. Many voters may not pay much attention to politics, until the conventions come along and take up a week on television (which in our estimation is a good alternative to summer re-runs).

We enjoyed hearing some of the speech-makers, that we otherwise might not get a chance to hear, such as Paul Laxalt, Howard Baker, and Barry Goldwater, expounding on the virtues of their party.

It is interesting to hear Goldwater, the Republican candidate from 1964, and hear the comments of the television newsmen. When Goldwater ran for president 20 years ago, the Democrats (and the media) jumped on him with both feet, and hung on him an "ultra" conservative tag, more or less hinting that under that shock of hair was growing at least a small pair of horns.

Goldwater was soundly defeated by Lyndon B. Johnson in a race that pretty well took him out of national politics.

The irony of the situation is that in 1984, Ronald Reagan stands for virtually everything that Goldwater did 20 years earlier. And, instead of being eyed with suspicion, as Goldwater was, Reagan is viewed by many, especially those of his own party, as a super-patriot.

Many people will always wonder what might have happened if Goldwater had won the election in 1964. Would we have avoided Vietnam? Or would we have approached the situation differently? These are mainly items for speculation.

In 1964, many voters were fearful of Goldwater, due to his isolationist views, saying he was likely to "get us into war." (As it turned out, we had the Vietnam situation, anyway).

But when you have a strong leader who's not afraid to stand up to the world leaders, and who believes in a strong national defense, the Soviets are probably less likely to force an issue. They knew where Goldwater stood on the issues--they did not have to guess.

It's sort of like the school bully. He's not likely to pick on someone, even smaller than himself, if this person has built the reputation of "knocking the block off" anyone who even hints at messing with him or his possessions.

It would appear that Reagan and Bush go out of the convention with a large lead over the Democratic ticket. But, as has been said many times, in politics, nothing is a sure thing.

Several people expressed their feelings about Trade Days and it seems everyone enjoyed the visitation and meeting people from out of town but their questions are, "How can it help Bovina?"

Billy Smith has been in another

Combest To Visit County

The Combest Congressional Committee announces the one-year anniversary of Larry Combest's campaign for U.S. Congress. Combest was the first to announce his candidacy for the Nineteenth District Congressional seat on August 29, 1983.

To kick off the One-Year Campaign Anniversary and the Combest For Congress Fall Campaign, Combest will once again travel to each of the fifteen counties in our district on August 29 and August 30.

"I am extremely pleased to announce my campaign's one-year anniversary in each county as I did a year ago," said Combest. "In keeping with tradition, I will be visiting with the people at the county courthouses throughout our district," Combest said.

Combest will be at the Parmer County Courthouse on Thursday, August 30, at 2 p.m.

Larry Widner Is Injured

Larry Widner of Portales was seriously injured a week ago when a water hose broke and 30 per cent of his body was scalded. Larry works at the gasohol plant in Portales.

According to friends, he was first burned in the middle of his back and as he fell, was burned on his left side and his feet were burned very badly. He will have to have skin grafting on his feet.

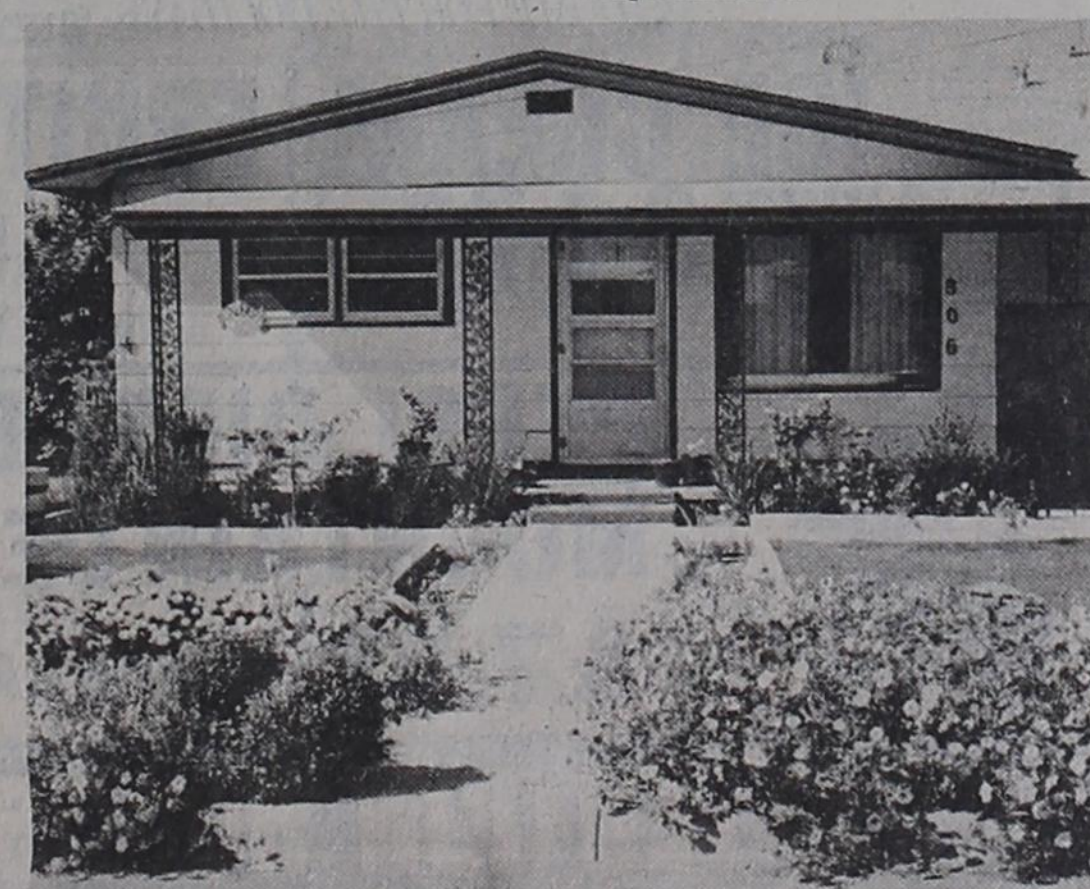
He is a patient at the University Hospital, Albuquerque, N.M., in the Burn and Trauma Center.

He is the son of Lawrence and Carolyn Widner of Bovina.

Boosters To Meet Sept. 4

The Booster Club will be meeting again September 4 at 8 p.m. in the High School Cafeteria. All parents of Bovina High School athletes are urged to attend.

The Booster Club reported having served about 200 people at the barbecue during the Dimmitt scrimmage. The Booster Club appreciated all those who came and all who helped.



PRETTY YARD.... Pictured is one of the prettiest yards in town, belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Alvo Kersey at 806 Eighth Avenue. The good rains are partly responsible for the pretty flowers, plus a lot of hard work and know-how.

part of the state and on his way home he came through Canton, Texas. This is a small town of around 2800 people and they started their Trade Days in 1974. At the first Trade Days they had 1200 lots for dealers with approximately 20,000 visitors.

Now the city of Canton has their Trade Day grounds that cover 70 acres providing over 4,000 dealer spaces serviced by 15 miles of streets. Most lots are shaded and all have access to electricity and water. Plenty of rest rooms and showers are conveniently located to care for the needs of the 50,000-60,000 visitors who attend their Trades Day each first Monday weekend.

There are adequate barrels to accommodate the disposal of all trash, insuring safe and sanitary conditions on the grounds. The rest rooms are kept neat and

sanitary by eight employees whose only duties are to maintain these sanitary conditions.

The city manager supervises a staff of ten full-time employees and six part-time employees in City Hall to carry on the first Monday business. In addition to this staff he employs eight people to take care of the rest rooms and 12 others to clean up the grounds. The Canton Police Department has five policemen available, if and when they are needed.

According to the mayor, Mr. Turner, this had meant more business for the town but their main budget is the income that comes from the spaces the dealers lease. This means that City Hall will make money which improves any town. Local residents are looking forward to the next Trade Days and what it can do for our town.

Court Okays Pact For Two Machines

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

Bids for the two machines had been received from Peek Industrial Equipment, Deckard Equipment, Plains Machinery and West Texas Equipment Company.

After considering the bids, a motion was passed to award the bid for the grader for Precinct 1 to Plains Machinery Company, on a trade difference of \$62,500.

The Precinct 2 bid was awarded to West Texas Equipment Company, with a trade difference of \$73,010.

Chuck Addy, John McDaniel and B.K. Buske of the Parmer County Industrial Development Board met with the court. They

asked approval of a resolution for the sale of industrial bonds. A motion was approved adopting a resolution approving the issuance and sale of \$3,000,000 in Industrial Development Revenue Bonds for the Millard Warehouse project.

Commissioner Ernest Anthony, who chaired the meeting in the absence of Judge Porter Roberts, was authorized to sign the resolution.

In other business, a motion was passed to pay the care expenses for foster children in the amount of \$2,139. This amount will be reimbursed to the county by the state.

A motion was approved designating the month of August as "Child Support Month."

Ann Norton, deputy in the license tag office, met with the court and explained the duties she and the other deputy, Bernice Pennington, have been doing during the absence of County Tax Assessor Hugh Moseley. A motion was passed to reimburse both ladies for travel expenses incurred in fulfilling the duties of their office.

Sheriff Bill Morgan and dispatcher Murlene Smith met with the court to discuss the teletype machine in the sheriff's office. It was pointed out that the machine has some problems, as well as limitations. Sheriff Morgan explained that a new machine, with improved functions, can be leased at approximately the same cost as the lease on the present machine.

Motion was passed to allow the sheriff to trade in the old teletype machine for the newer model.

Morgan also told the court about damage to the ceiling in his department due to water leaks. The court decided to wait until the roof has been replaced before making the inside repairs.

A motion was passed to authorize Commissioner Anthony to cash certificates of deposit in the Available School Fund maturing August 15, 1984, and issue checks to divide the money between the four schools in the county.

A motion was passed to order a set of books on county government, requested by the County Clerk.

Appointment of election judges for the general election was tabled so that the County Clerk could contact more of the workers.

At 3 p.m., a hearing on use of revenue sharing was held. Members of the Bovina and Friona Senior Citizens appeared, asking for funds to defray expenses with their respective meeting places. The court assured each group that they would consider their requests.

Commissioner Anthony was authorized to sign the lateral road fund report.



IT'S LUNCH TIME for a group of kindergarten students attending their first day of school. Pictured with the children is Audelia Serna, a teacher's aide in Ridgelea Elementary School. Most of the days are exciting for little ones but the first day is really special.

Contest Will Kick Off Next Week

The annual Bovina Businesses Football Contest makes its 1984 debut next week in the Bovina Blade, with \$15.50 in cash prizes being offered each week.

In addition, contestants will be shooting for a grand prize of \$100 in cash, to be awarded at the close of the 13-week period.

Once again this year the first prize winner each week will receive \$7.50 cash. Second place will receive \$5.00, and third place will be awarded \$3.00.

For grand prize, a straight cash award of \$100 will be given.

The contest is sponsored by seventeen area businesses. A full page advertisement will appear in the Blade each week for 13 issues. In each of the sponsors' advertisements will be listed a game being played that week.

Contestants must choose a winner and write his or her choice on the entry blank. A tie-breaking score must be predicted, usually the Dallas Cowboys' game, to help separate ties for one of the top three positions each week.

Contest rules are listed on the contest page each week. Only one entry blank may be submitted by each contestant. Deadline for entering is 5 p.m. on Fridays.

School Modifies Schedule

Bovina ISD will modify the daily schedule somewhat in an attempt to meet the intent of the Legislature to conserve the school day for instructional purposes.

The regular school day in grades kindergarten-second will be from 8:45 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. In grades 3-12, the regular school day will be from 8:48 a.m. to 3:58 p.m. In addition to the regular day there will be an activity period from 8 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. The activity period will be utilized for any organizational meeting, detention, and tutorial.

Tuesday and Thursday have been set aside for tutorial. This is primarily for students who fail to maintain a 70 average, but any student may attend. The school will not run buses to get children to school by 8 a.m. The buses will run their schedule to get to school about 8:30 a.m.

"We would ask that students not arrive at school until 8:45 unless they are coming to eat breakfast or need to be here for the 8:00 activity period. We will begin serving breakfast at 8:15 a.m. each morning," said Superintendent Bob Owen.

"This change in schedule is one which we are each going to have to become accustomed to. We thank you in advance for your cooperation as we work out any problems that tend to follow any changes that are made," Owen said.

Entry blanks may be brought by the Blade office on Third Street or mailed to the Bovina Blade. Entries that are mailed must bear a postmark of Friday, and must be received by the Blade by Monday to count for the week's prizes.

Tabulations of individual entrants' scores will be kept all season, and at the end of the 13-week contest, a grand prize winner will be named.

A scoreboard, with all contestants listed in alphabetical order, will be on display in the Blade office, showing the contestants' current week's score as well as the running score.

Sponsoring the contest with the Blade this year are Bovina Pump Company, Dudley's Auto, Bovina Fuel and Supply, Charles Oil, Ted's Spraying Service, Bovina Feeders, First State Bank, Shirley Grain, Lawlis Gin, Lone Star Insurance, Paul Jones Texaco, Dairy Freeze, Parmer County Spraying Service, Don's Medicine Chest, Agri-Sprayers, Bovina Supermarket and Clayton Farm Center.

Clayton Is Host To Field Day

Clayton Farm Center will host a seed field day Wednesday, September 5 starting with a fish fry at noon at the company's location on Third Street.

Everyone is invited to the noon meal and the tour of cotton, milo and corn fields.

Varieties of crops produced from Garst, Northrup King, Ring Around, Gro-Agri and Funks will be discussed.

"We think our customers will be favorably impressed by the quality crops these varieties produced in our area this year," said Dickie Clayton, owner and manager.

Trap Shoot September 2

The Bovina 4-H Trap Club will be sponsoring a special trap shoot. This is the 4-H community service project for this year and all the profit from this project will be donated to Muscular Dystrophy.

The trap shoot, sponsored by Bovina 4-H, will be Sunday, September 2 from 1:30-til?

Events will include Annie Oakley, Quail Walks, Buddy Shoots, Regular Shoots and Kid Shoots. There will be a 50 per cent pay back.

The special event of the day will be the \$100 Annie Oakley, determined by number of shooters.

The trap shoot will be held on the Larry Scott farm, three miles east of Bovina on Highway 60. You cross the Santa Fe tracks, then go 1/2 mile east. For more information, call Sammy Stormes at 238-1437.

REFLECTIONS

....From The Blade

25 YEARS AGO--SEPT. 3, 1959

William Charlie Dalton, 79, died Thursday evening in Parmer County Hospital at Friona. He had been ill in 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.

20 YEARS 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.

15 YEARS 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.

10 YEARS 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 Co. 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.

5 YEARS 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.

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AT STATE

C. Johnson Wins Record Book Contest

"Fast and furious!" are the words 4-H member, Charles Johnson, uses to describe this summer.

4-H'ers work all year on their projects, but summer offers many opportunities, especially for senior 4-H'ers.

Charles was a member of the Parmer County Livestock Judging team which participated in competition with twenty other counties at the district level. Winning this event allowed the group to attend State 4-H Roundup at Texas A&M University June 3-8.

Being home long enough to pack another bag, he spent June 10-14 as counselor at District Leadership Camp. This is a camp for nine to 12 year olds with classes and recreation to interest young 4-H'ers. Charles assisted in the roping class, teaching 21 boys and girls the principles of roping. He was also in charge of the sports tournaments and awards ceremonies.

Once again, he was home long enough to pack another bag. Electric Camp near Cloudcroft, N.M., was the next destination. Charles helped with recreational activities for senior 4-H'ers during the week they spent at this camp. Principles of electricity and electrical safety are the educational topics emphasized at this camp sponsored by Southwestern Public Service.

Most of the next three weeks were spent working. Charles cut over 1,000 acres of wheat near Bovina and Melrose, N.M.

July 10 was the next deadline to work toward. Record Books were due for county-wide judging.

What is a 4-H Record Book? It is 14 pages of a National Report Form, a six-page typewritten story and three pages of pictures. These books are designed to effectively summarize the activities of a 4-H member--not only the activities of this year, but all the years of 4-H experience. Most major 4-H awards are based on a 4-H member's Record Book.

Friday, July 13 was spent in Lubbock at the district trap and skeet shoot. Nine members of the Parmer County Trap Shooting

team participated in this event.

July 31 was the date for judging Record Books at the district level. After Charles had been notified that his book had placed first at this plateau, he attended a workshop in Plainview to prepare his book for the state level.

Charles had the opportunity this summer to participate in another competition at the state level August 7-11 in San Antonio. Six members of the Parmer County team attended the state Trap and Skeet Shoot held at the headquarters of the National Skeet Shooters Association.

August 21 was the date for judging Record Books on the state level. At this event, one book is selected from the 14 district winners in each category.

A first for Parmer County since 1950--Charles' book was selected as the state winner in the Agriculture Careers division.

Why is this important? Why get excited? Being chosen as the best in the state of Texas. Charles will be a member of the Texas delegation at the National 4-H Congress in Chicago, Illinois, November 23-30. A 4-H member is allowed to attend the National 4-H Congress only once, and is barred from any competition which holds a trip to the congress as the prize.

Charles enthusiastically expressed his happiness at being the first Parmer County 4-H member to attend this national convention since 1950.

The first 4-H projects Charles participated in were foods and nutrition led by Dixie Carson and livestock judging led by Mack Heald.

He started his beef production project with four baby calves which he fed on bottles. Since that time he has shown steers and heifers as well as managing his own cattle from weaning to slaughter. He also participated in the Calf Scramble at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, catching a calf.

In his swine project, Charles had worked with all phases of swine production. He has had his own sows and boars; selling some for slaughter and showing some. He has shown barrows at Bovina, Friona, Hereford, Amarillo, Lubbock, Fredericksburg, Dumas, Dallas, Denver and Houston.

In his livestock judging project, Charles has participated in contests in Texas and Oklahoma. He says that the state competition at Texas A&M University must be the highlight.

The shooting sports project is for fun. Charles has been a shooting sports enthusiast for several years. His gun collection includes two antique shotguns originally belonging to his great-grandfathers Ashby and Cooke.

Other 4-H projects in which Charles has participated include poultry, field crops, horse (he has purchased and trained his own colt), leadership, commodity marketing, safety and public speaking.

Among his 4-H offices, Charles has served as Bovina Club vice president and president. He has served on the county 4-H council, acting as president two years, and has served on the district 4-H council two years. He has also served on the Parmer County Planning and Steering Committee



CHARLES JOHNSON

for three years.

Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, High Plains Eye Bank, Texas Mental Health Association and Muscular Dystrophy are the organizations which the Bovina 4-H Club have helped through fund raising events during Charles's terms as president.

He is an active member of Bovina Church of Christ and Parmer County Swine Breeders Association. He has coached Little League Baseball and Little Dribblers Basketball.

In 1981, Charles was selected as Outstanding County 4-H Member, receiving the Gold Star Award.

As a senior at Bovina High School, he has participated in athletics, band, FFA and UIL Drama during his high school years.

Charles is the 17-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Johnson. His older brother, Scott, is a senior agri-business major at Lubbock Christian College. His younger sister, Sharlet, is also a 4-H member and a sophomore at Bovina High School. Mr. and Mrs. Levi Johnson and Mrs. C.S. Hart are his grandparents.

Upon graduating from high school, Charles plans to complete his education by attending college. He intends to major in agribusiness, working in an agriculture-related field.

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Vicky Valadez, Friona; Maria Gonzales and baby boy, Friona; John Lazoya, Hereford; Tom Gibson, Friona; Dalton Caffey, Friona; Becky Perkins and baby boy, Friona; J.R. Knight, Friona; W.C. Hardage, Farwell; and Ruben Alfaro, Friona.

Valadez, Joe Menefee, Maria Gonzales and baby boy, John Lazoya, Jane Lazoya, Tom Gibson and Ruben Alfaro.

PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL--

Jess Chesher, Dalton Caffey, Becky Perkins and baby boy, J.R. Knight, Arlin Hartzog and W.C. Hardage.

DISMISSALS--

Mary Lou Collier, Vicky



MR. and MRS. JIM OWENS of Bovina will be honored with a reception on their 50th wedding anniversary on September 16 at the Senior Citizens' Center, on Main Street in Bovina from 2-5 p.m. The reception will be hosted by the couple's two children and seven grandchildren. Jim Owens and the former Idella Dalton were united in marriage September 15, 1934 in Clovis, New Mexico. They have always lived in the Bovina area. No local invitations are being sent and all friends and relatives of the couple are invited to share in the occasion. "Your friendship and love are cherished gifts, and we respectfully request no other," the couple says.

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Mensaje-11:30 a.m.-Union De Pre Preparacion-5:30 p.m.
Miercoles Estudio De La Biblia-7:30 p.m.
Rev. Guadalupe Silva

Judy Miller, Kenneth Estes United In Church Ceremony

Judy Lynn Miller of Longview, Texas and Kenneth Wayne Estes of Lubbock exchanged marriage vows August 18 in a double ring ceremony which took place at the Denton Bible Church in Denton, Texas.

Judy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Miller of Longview and Kenny is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Estes of Lubbock.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, Paul Miller. The maid of honor was Jodi Biggs, sister of the bride.

Kevin Hughes of Bovina served as best man.

Decorations at the church consisted of Boston ferns and brass candlesticks.

The pianist was Jean Hastings and soloist was Glenda Miller, sister-in-law of the bride. She sang a love song that was concluded with "The Lord's Prayer."

The bride wore a tea length white silk dress with three-quarter length bell sleeves. The dress featured a scooped neckline with chantilly lace trim. The skirt was adorned with scallops held in place by tiny silk roses. Her hat was trimmed with bridal net and a large bow flowing down the back. Something blue was her garter and her wedding dress was new.

Jodi Biggs, maid of honor, wore a dusty rose crepe street length dress and carried a nosegay of rose colored silk flowers adorned with

long silk streamers.

The bride's mother wore a pink silk dress accented with a strand of pearls. Her accessories were white with a silk rose wrist corsage.

The groom's mother wore a beige pleated dress and beige accessories. Her corsage was a pink silk rose wrist corsage.

The strawberry wedding cake was decorated with white icing and pink flowers. A luncheon was also included and consisted of chicken and rice.

The couple took a wedding trip to Dallas and they will reside in Lubbock.

For going away, the bride wore a white linen dress with navy accessories.

The bride is a graduate of Longview High School and North Texas State University. She will be teaching in the Slaton Independent School District.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Bovina High School and attended South Plains College and North Texas State University. He will graduate from Texas Tech University in December with a degree in psychology. He is employed at the A.L. Williams Company.

Guests from Bovina were Prentis and Carolyn Pruitt, Herman and Edna Estes, grandparents of the groom; Billy and Suezy Smith, Arlene and Kevin Smith, Kevin Hughes, Jana and J.B. Barrett; Steve and Francel Pruitt of Dallas.



Mrs. Kenneth Estes

Shower Set September 8 For Michelle Bonds

Michelle Bonds, bride-elect of Letha Treinen, Jane Kassahn, Tandra Corbin, Susan Faulks, Shirley Ware, Pat Kunselman, Pat Read, Anna Heflin, Lily Morris, Alta Hutto, Pam Bell, Skeet Caldwell, Mary Jane Wilson and Twyla Lusk.

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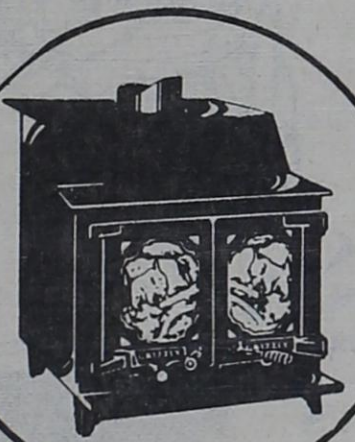
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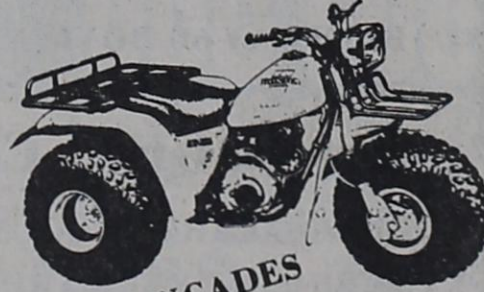
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Texans Spending More For Schools

Texans increased spending on local public schools by \$552 million last year, as trustees in 1,069 school districts adopted school budgets totaling \$9.0 billion. That provided more than \$200 in additional funds for each of the 2,727,512 students in the state, according to the Texas Research League.

officials have used additional payroll dollars to increase salaries beyond the rate of inflation, whereas during the previous decade more dollars were spent to hire additional teachers while average salaries grew less than the rate of inflation.

Local property taxpayers were tagged for an additional \$327 million to pay for the increase. The remainder was funded by increases in state and federal aid programs and by higher local fees.

Local property taxes were increased by \$327 million for a total of \$3.6 billion last year. Locally, the Bovina ISD's tax levy was increased by 8.6 per cent for 1983-84, as compared to a 10.0 per cent increase for the average school district in Texas.

The figures come from the latest issue of *Bench Marks for 1984-85 School District Budgets in Texas*, an annual publication of the Texas Research League, an Austin-based, educational corporation engaged in governmental research. School budgets adopted for 1983-84 called for spending \$2,713 per student for current operations. Bovina ISD's budget provided for \$2834.71 per student based on the 476 students in average daily attendance in 1982-83.

School property tax rates in 1982-83 averaged \$0.613 per \$100 of market value (selling price). The school tax on a property selling for \$100,000 was \$613 in the average school district. Locally, the rate on market value in Bovina ISD was .967, or \$967 on a property selling for \$100,000.

Four of five of these dollars were spent for salaries. Statewide, payroll expense averaged \$2,153 per student, as compared to \$2112 in Bovina ISD. Payroll expense is a combination of salary levels and staffing patterns.

If the property were a homestead or owned by a senior citizen, the school tax would be less because of various exemptions. Open-space land that qualified would be valued on its productivity value rather than market value.

The average salary for classroom teachers paid by Bovina ISD in 1982-83 was \$16,417 which was 9.7 per cent above the minimum salary prescribed by the state. The average among all school districts in Texas was \$19,501 per classroom teacher, or 21.8 per cent over the minimum.

Revenue lost from exemptions totaled \$679 million, which was \$125 million more than that exempted the previous year. To balance school budgets, the revenue loss from exemptions was imposed upon other taxpayers in the school district.

There was an average of one teacher for 84 students in Bovina ISD compared to a statewide pupil-teacher ratio of 1 to 16.4. The pupil-teacher ratio is not the same thing as the average class size because teachers and students are not necessarily in class the same number of hours each day.

Preparing school budgets for next year, the report noted, will be difficult. Not only did the Special Session of the Legislature provide substantial additional funds, but also changed the method for allocating aid to different districts. School officials also must begin implementing a variety of new educational programs including new curriculum standards.

Statewide, the ratio of teachers to students has remained the same the past three years. The report notes that during the 1980s school

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COMBEST COMMENTS

By Larry Combest
Finding Solutions to Our Water Problem

Sometimes it seems like our water problem is like our weather: Everyone talks about it but no one does anything. However, the truth is there are many fine people working on the problem; they just need more help. People are finding solutions at the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District, the U.S.D.A. Department of Soil Conservation, the Plant and Water Stress Center and the Water Research Center at Texas Tech University, just to name a few. This week I'd like to share with you some of the things they're working on. Much of the research involves finding ways to increase the recharge of the Ogallala Aquifer. Most of our rainfall evaporates before it ever reaches the aquifer, so experiments have been conducted to route rainfall directly to the aquifer through a series of holes drilled in the surface. Unfortunately, in the past, these holes soon became clogged with debris. Recently, new filters have been developed that can eliminate this problem. It is esti-

mated that this technology could extend the life of the aquifer by ten percent. A large amount of the recharge is through the many playas that lie over the Ogallala. And there's a new development that could increase this flow. Experiments are being done with knot grass, a species that can grow on the bottom of the playas. Its roots make an excellent conduit for recharge. These experiments have also led to what could be a significant side benefit. Knot grass has a high enough protein content to support one and a half animals per acre. With 17,000 playas averaging 22 acres each, this means over a half a million more animals could be supported on the High Plains. Since almost half our rainfall is in small increments (less than 25/100 inch) which evaporates quickly, any method that can reduce evaporation will have a great impact on our water supply. An interesting experiment uses discarded rubber tires. Research has shown that if these

tires are broken into small chips and properly distributed, evaporation is greatly reduced. This method also increases soil temperature providing a longer growing season and, for example, longer staple cotton for a more profitable crop.

Research is also being carried out on drought resistant crops, more effective brush control and many other ways to conserve our water. No single solution will solve the problem and no one has all the answers. We must constantly try new methods. And if something works, keep it; if it doesn't, try something new. To do this we rely on the people whose job it is to search for answers. And they rely on our government's support. But far too often their work is forgotten, neglected or tied up in bureaucratic red tape. That's why we must have a Representative in Washington who will continually apply the pressure needed to maintain, and increase, government support for their work which is so critical to our survival.

Larry Combest is a fourth generation, West Texan. He served as area President of the F.F.A. and received the National Sante Fe Award. He worked for the A.S.C.S. and as assistant for agricultural legislation for Senator John Tower. He is a candidate for U.S. Representative, 19th District.

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Scooter's Scoops

By Scooter Russell

Tami and Arty Kunselman went to the mountains near Eagle Nest on Tuesday of last week and we kept their little girls. We went up on Friday and Tracy and Clay of Amarillo and their little son joined us on Friday night. We stayed until Sunday. We had a great time, the weather was perfect and fishing good.

You haven't really had much happen to you if you've not had two two-year-olds in the mountains on a camping trip! Four-year-old Gina was a lot of help with the little ones. It was so pretty up there and cool, everybody else thought so too, and they were all there!

Maesie Flynn has had lots of company recently. On August 9, here niece, Donna Jo Nye and children, Harper and Micajah of Austin were here. On August 18, her dear friends, Mrs. Betty Ponder of El Dorado, Arkansas and Mrs. Roberta Moore of Miami, Florida, were in Bovina visiting.

August 21, Mrs. Paul Marcy of Naples, Idaho and her sister, Mrs. Hazel Hareno of Kellogg, Idaho, were in Bovina visiting with Maesie.

Maesie said she and Hazel started to school in the first grade at Dillon District School in Mooreland, Oklahoma.

John and Eloise Dixon have recently been vacationing in Colorado Springs. They camped out there with son David and Bobbi of Canyon and their children, Brandon, Michael and

Jennifer. Accompanying the Dixons to Colorado was Ruthie Dickerson. She is Bobbi's sister, who is from Brazil, but will be finishing her college work in the states, and has recently moved.

P.O. Dixon has recently had eye surgery in a Houston hospital to remove cataracts. He is getting along very well, according to his daughter-in-law, Eloise.

Mendy Rhodes and Joanna Clayton have had a fun time recently at Six Flags. While in the area, they visited Angie Martin, a former Bovina resident, and spent a few days visiting with her. They went to Six Flags with Joanna's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl May of Levelland.

Fern and Durward Bell have recently attended the Cooper family reunion held at a guest ranch in Gunnison, Colorado. Also at the reunion were Fern's sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Owens of Tulia and her brother-in-law, Dick Hintergardt of Gruver, and his two sons. Also with the family was Fern's mother, Ann Cooper of Gruver.

Pam and Greg Bell and family of Bovina were there and the Durward Bells' daughter Karen and Royce Grissom of Montrose, Colorado and their children. After leaving Gunnison, the Bells went to Montrose and spent a few days with Karen and family before returning to Bovina.

Lawrence and Carolyn Widner are in Albuquerque with their son,

Larry, who suffered severe burns over 30 per cent of his body while working at the gasohol plant in Portales. We understand he received first and second degree burns when a water hose broke and he was scalded with extremely hot water.

He is in the Burn and Trauma Center of the University Hospital in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Larry and Judy Hodnett and daughter Jo Linda; Don and Juanda Murphy, and Donald and Nita Dale and family spent last week at Angle Fire at the Neff Preston residence and had a good time. They went Monday and returned home Friday.

We understand Pauline Caldwell's brother-in-law passed away in Oklahoma and Bedford's

Shower Set September 8

A bridal kitchen shower will be held for Kenny and Judy Estes at the Fellowship Hall of the First Baptist Church in Bovina on Saturday morning, September 8 from 10-11 a.m.

Hostesses for the shower are Rose McCain, Juanita Hastings, Shelby Rhodes, Carolyn Pruitt, Barbara Hughes, Margaret Charles, Paula Whitecotton, Sue Barrett, Mary Rejino and Dorothy Sorley.

Selections are at Kirkpatrick's and Bovina Supermarket.

nephew died shortly afterwards in Kansas. Our deepest sympathies to the families of these loved ones.

J.T. Jones had a hip replacement in Lubbock's St. Mary's Hospital on Thursday of last week. He is already up walking and his daughter-in-law, Denise, said they would be home on Friday of this week. He is in room 234.

Ellen and Vernon Estes and

Ruthie and Harry Charles spent a fun weekend in the El Paso area with relatives, Mary Tom and Mark Charles.

While there, the family were together for a hamburger cookout, games and a good visit. The Estes' two nieces, Lisa and Renee' were there. They are daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Charles. A nephew, Richard, of El Paso was also with the family.

Ellen said Renee' is a nurse and

Lisa is a lab technician. Lisa has recently married Chuck Wasem and the family enjoyed getting acquainted with him over the weekend.

Mary Tom and Mark live at Horizon City and the back of their home overlooks a golf course so while there, Harry, Ruthie, Mark and Richard enjoyed a game of golf. Ellen said the weather was nice and cool and it rained while they were there.



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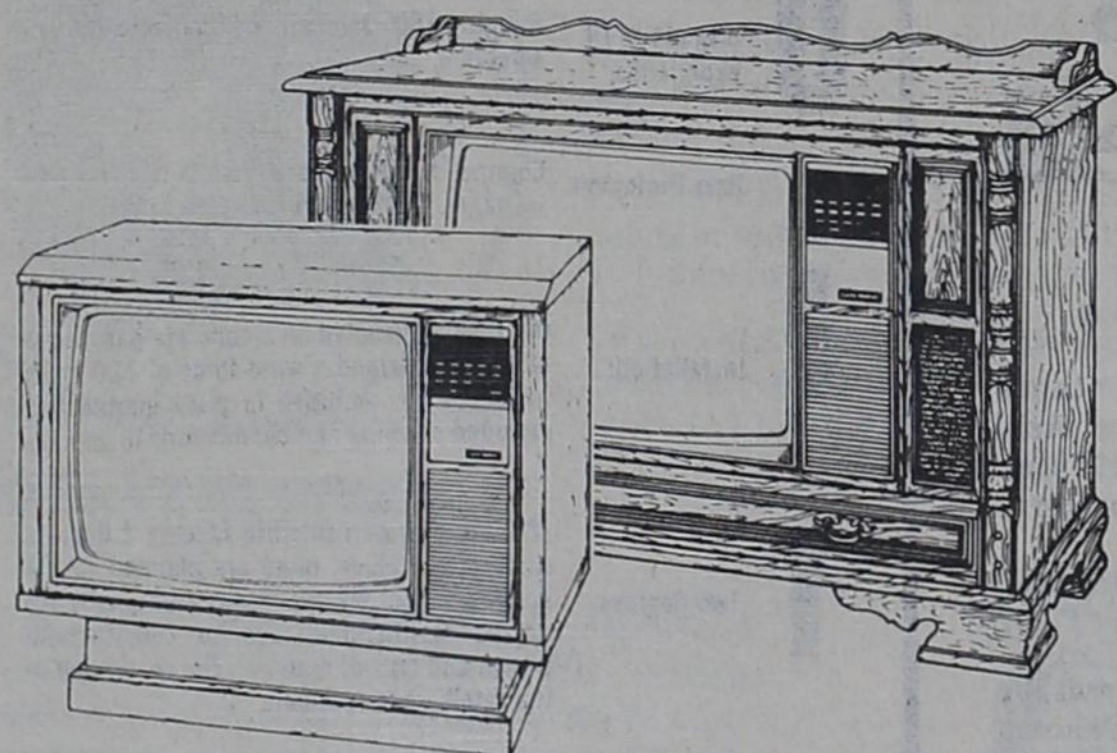
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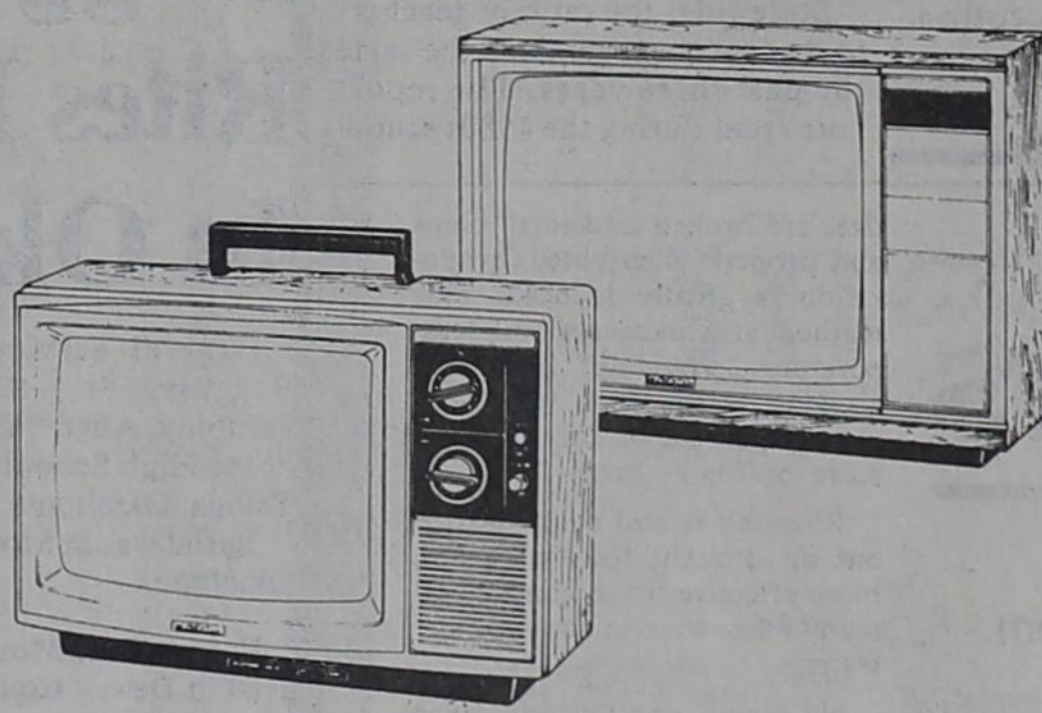
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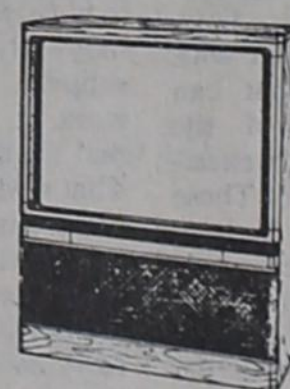
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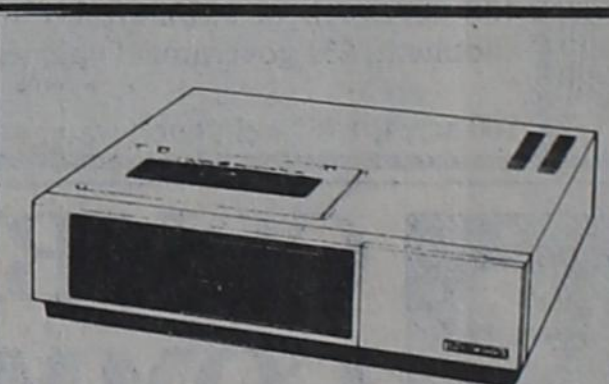


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