



Bull Town Bulletins By Bill Ellis

THE GOOD NEWS is that Ann Richards isn't head of the Texas Education Agency. The bad news is that we have her for at least the next 3 1/2 years as governor.

Governor Richards told the state lawmakers toward the conclusion of the 72nd Legislature that she would give them an A-plus for their work. This, despite the fact that the lawmakers were able to accomplish only about 60 per cent of the tasks they had set out when the session began.

Sen. Teel Bivins told a Friona audience last week that he thought the governor was very charitable with her assessed grade for the legislature. "I never had a teacher in school give me an A-plus when I completed only 60 per cent of my work," the Amarillo native said.

We think Bivins was being more realistic than the governor was.

The bad part is that voters are beginning to hear a number of things coming from the governor's office that serve to remind them more than gently that while they may have cast their vote against a male chauvenist pig and for a "new face," last November, that the real choice most probably was still liberal vs conservative.

The trouble was that most conservative voters had been so burned off by Clayton Williams' "open mouth, insert foot" campaign that they might have voted for Muhammed Ali, if he had been the Democratic candidate.

"No state income tax" was a slogan that helped persuade a number of voters to go ahead and give Richards the chance in office. Rhetoric in recent weeks from Austin is hinting about the possibility of just such a tax, to help stem the state's budget woes.

The governor allowed a last-minute bill to become law, that will double the retirement pay for thousands of state employees dating back to the 1950s, and for a number of legislators as well.

At a time when state officials and lawmakers are asking us to 'bite the bullet,' and are trying to come up with some kind of state budget that won't tax the citizens to the very nerve, we feel that it was very callous for the legislators and the governor to vote themselves such a hefty hike in retirement pay.

Sen. Bivins tried to assure myself and the group last Thursday that the increased retirement would not cost taxpayers, since the money supposedly comes from the state's retirement fund.

Maybe not, but years ago we became highly suspicious of anyone telling us they were from the government, and they had a fabulous deal that wasn't going to cost us anything. Somehow it never seems to work that way.

One of the matters still unresolved when the legislators reconvene is that of redistricting.

Some things that Sen. Bivins said last Thursday reinforced this writer's opinion that it is a shame that redistricting, on any level, has to be done by the politicians.

There are so many "sacred cows," and/or politicians whose jobs have to be protected at all costs, that there is no way that the redistricting can be accomplished along the logical and simplest means. One of the "unwritten rules" the lawmakers invoke when re-drawing the lines, is to keep two incumbents from having to run against each other, thus costing one his job.

Somehow or other, we don't think this had anything whatsoever to do with the reason the redistricting laws were passed in the first place.

It's a shame that legislative, and even county precinct lines cannot be drawn so that more voters will benefit, rather than keeping "the club intact." But as long as the politicians are the ones with the say-so in this matter, then so much for helping out the voters.

Oh, well-on with the gerrymandering process!



CONSTRUCTION WORK...A new storage tank is shown as it was being installed at Charles Oil & Gas Company this week. Some extensive work is underway at the local company, and a Grand Opening will be announced when all the work is completed.

Summer Arrives With Bang

Summertime arrived in the local area with some of the hottest temperatures of the year, but compared to the temperatures we were having exactly a year ago, it really wasn't that bad.

The mercury climbed to a high of 96 degrees on Tuesday, and hit 95 degrees a couple of other days.

But the same week a year ago, residents were boiling under five consecutive days over the 100-degree mark, including the all-time high temperature of 108 degrees on June 24. The mercury hit or topped the 100-degree mark 11 days during June of 1990, which also produced only .06 inches of moisture.

By comparison, the month's rainfall for 1991, 4.79 inches, is more than the area had received in the eight previous calendar months.

TEMPERATURES

Date	Hi-Low
Saturday, June 22	88-60
Sunday, June 23	89-63
Monday, June 24	95-64
Tuesday, June 25	95-65
Wednesday, June 26	96-63
Thursday, June 27	92-64
Friday, June 28	94-66

No precipitation for week; 4.79 inches for month.



JEWEL TABOR



FUEL PIT...Workmen are shown putting the finishing touches on a new pit that was dug on the Charles Oil & Gas property this week to hold a huge fuel tank (see above)

Charles Oil & Gas Getting 'Facelift'

Charles Oil and Gas, Inc. is getting a facelift. There have been a lot of different things going on at the business and we thought we'd satisfy the curiosity of those of us who have driven by and wondered what's going on.

Kenneth Waters, owner of the business, said that there will be many new things for his customers to enjoy. The main thing they are trying to accomplish is to streamline the business to provide better service to the customers.

They are currently pulling out all the old underground storage tanks and installing new, more efficient tanks. The entire system will be updated, including tanks and pumps.

There will be some changes going

on inside the business as well.

Waters said, "All services provided in the past are still available. Bulk diesel and propane are available through our trucks and all gas is available at the front island. Flat service is available through the east doors."

He stated that, "We apologize for the inconvenience of the construction, but when we're through, we can operate more efficiently and it will be much more convenient for the customers."

They plan to be finished with all the construction by the middle of July and they will be announcing a Grand Opening, so everyone will want to keep that in mind and be watching for this.

Jewel Tabor's Rites Held Here Monday

Funeral services for Jewel Tabor, 82, were held Monday afternoon at Bovina's First Baptist Church with Rev. Richard Grisham, pastor, and Rev. Steve Venable, pastor of the First United Methodist Church, officiating.

Burial was in Bovina Cemetery under the direction of Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home.

Mrs. Tabor died last Friday afternoon, June 21, at Parmer County Community Hospital, after a brief illness.

Mrs. Tabor had moved to Bovina with her late husband, Emmett, in 1943 from Mobeetie.

Jewel Raulston married Emmett Tabor, March 19, 1928 in Fort Worth. He passed away March 14, 1979.

She moved to Van Alstyne from Bovina six years ago. She was a member of First Baptist Church of Bovina and the Order of Eastern Star.

Survivors include one son, John Tabor of Bovina; four brothers, Lee Raulston of Clovis, California, J.P. Raulston of Dallas, Andrew Raulston of McKinney and Charley Raulston of Victorville, California; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

She was also preceded in death by a son, Don Tabor, in 1960.

Pallbearers were Joe Jones, Galen Hromas, Steve Sherrill, Glenden Sudderth, Tommy Williams and Kreg Wilson.

The family suggests that memorials be made to the Bovina Ambulance Fund.

Chamber Ready For July 4th

Bovina residents will be celebrating the nation's 215th birthday this week and the seventh annual July 4th activities will start at 3 o'clock with a parade.

The parade will start on Main Street and go down Third Street to Avenue G, past the park and on into the football field.

The Bovina Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring the parade, as well as many other activities planned for the day, such as a volleyball tournament and a cake walk.

A watermelon feed will be sponsored by the Bovina Fire Department. There will also be a dunking booth and a talent show, which is scheduled for 7 p.m. Also, a horseshoe throwing contest, a marriage booth and lots of other things are planned.

The Chamber of Commerce will also sponsor a fireworks display to begin at dark at the football field.

Prizes being raffled away include a barbecue grill, \$200 in groceries from Pay-n-Save, a ten-speed bicycle, a lawn mower and swing set.

Tickets for the raffles will be on sale until the drawing and you may purchase your tickets from any Chamber member for \$1.00 each.

So plan on being in Bovina on the Fourth. There will be something for everyone!

Parmer Faces Re-Districting

Virginia Daugherty, legal counsel from Northern and Daugherty, spoke to the Parmer County Citizens Advisory Committee on re-districting recently.

Due to the 1990 census and several landmark court cases, Parmer County precincts have to be re-drawn.

She said this year is unlike other years when the guiding principle was, "one man, one vote." New court rulings dictate that lines must be re-drawn so that minority populations are not diluted and one precinct must be "packed" so that a minority will have a "say" in at least one district within the county.

The committee, consisting of Pat Fleming, Matilda Baca, Carol Ellis, Edwin Lide, Hugh Moseley, Maria Lopez, Richard Haseloff, Pearl Cervantez, Kaye Williams, Jerry Cass, Billie Powell, Scott Brown and Ben Rejino, Jr., will meet several times to discuss the impact of new information and new court decisions on the election process.

The advisory committee was organized by County Judge Bonnie Clayton.

Once the committee has made its recommendations, the county commissioners will redraw the precinct lines. The maps will be sent to Washington, D.C., where the Justice Department decides whether the process has been followed, and whether the rights of the minority residents of the county have been adequately taken into consideration.

Daugherty indicated that not only will county commissioner precincts be re-drawn, but also justice of the peace precincts and constable precincts.

Parmer County, Texas
Analysis of Population in Commissioner Precincts
Based on 1990 Census Data

Precinct 1 - Friona area
Precinct 2 - Bovina area
Precinct 3 - Farwell area
Precinct 4 - Lazbuddie area

Ethnic Background of Entire Population

Precinct	Anglo	Black	Indian	Asian	Hispanic	Other	Prec Total	% of County
Precinct 1	1,466	10	10	9	749	0	2,244	22.75%
Precinct 2	1,308	35	2	6	1,310	3	2,664	27.01%
Precinct 3	1,878	34	4	5	584	6	2,511	25.46%
Precinct 4	948	34	5	0	1,453	4	2,444	24.78%
County Total	5,600	113	21	14	4,096	13	9,863	100.00%
% of County	56.78%	1.15%	0.21%	0.20%	41.53%	0.13%	100.00%	

Ethnic Background as a % of Entire Population

Precinct	Anglo	Black	Indian	Asian	Hispanic	Other	Total
Precinct 1	65.33%	0.45%	0.45%	0.40%	33.38%	0.00%	100.00%
Precinct 2	49.10%	1.31%	0.08%	0.23%	49.17%	0.11%	100.00%
Precinct 3	74.78%	1.35%	0.16%	0.20%	23.26%	0.24%	100.00%
Precinct 4	38.78%	1.39%	0.20%	0.00%	59.45%	0.16%	100.00%

Ethnic Background of Voting (over 18) Population

Precinct	Anglo	Black	Indian	Asian	Hispanic	Other	Prec Total	% of County
Precinct 1	1,132	7	8	5	409	0	1,561	23.65%
Precinct 2	982	24	1	4	764	2	1,777	26.92%
Precinct 3	1,414	26	3	5	328	3	1,779	26.95%
Precinct 4	664	24	3	0	793	2	1,486	22.48%
County Total	4,192	81	15	14	2,292	7	6,601	100.00%
% of County	63.51%	1.23%	0.23%	0.21%	34.72%	0.11%	100.00%	

Ethnic Background as a % of Voting Population

Precinct	Anglo	Black	Indian	Asian	Hispanic	Other	Total
Precinct 1	72.52%	0.45%	0.51%	0.32%	26.20%	0.00%	100.00%
Precinct 2	55.26%	1.35%	0.06%	0.23%	42.99%	0.11%	100.00%
Precinct 3	79.48%	1.46%	0.17%	0.28%	18.44%	0.17%	100.00%
Precinct 4	44.74%	1.62%	0.20%	0.00%	53.30%	0.13%	100.00%

Local Group Back From Conference

Twenty-five youth and sponsors attended a Youth Evangelism Conference at the Reunion Arena in downtown Dallas recently, along with 22,000 other youth from across the state of Texas.

They heard all kinds of inspirational songs and musical drama interpretations, along with many speakers spreading the word on "Winning Lost Souls to the Lord."

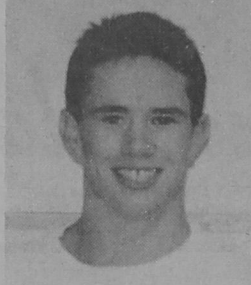
Saturday afternoon, they all enjoyed the afternoon and evening at Six Flags.

On their way home, the group enjoyed church services at Arlington's Fielder Road Baptist Church.

Those from Bovina who attended were Darren, Matt and Lisa Hromas, Jay and James Grisham, Lance Teague, Lance McClaran, Jamie and Corey Graves, Angie and Laurie Beauchamp, Brandon Caldwell, Jolinda Hodnett and Andy Espinoza.

Also, Jerry Reyna, Mannie Saiz, Robert Marquez, Tiffany Thomas, Kim Kirkpatrick and Mark and Melanie Jansen.

Sponsors who attended were Don Teague, Galen and Judy Hromas and Brenda Jansen.



Cain Neal Attends UT Camp

Cain Neal, son of Tony and Dottie Neal, has just returned from the University of Texas track camp, where he was coached in the shot put and discus throwing.

Neal broke the Bovina High School record in the shot put this past school year with a throw of 49 feet. The old record was set in 1974 with a throw of 37-10 and one-half inches.

Neal will compete in a regional qualifiers meet in Houston on Wednesday of this week. He hopes to win a college scholarship in track and field.

Neal will be a senior this coming school year and will be a very interesting athlete to watch. We wish you much luck at the Houston meet!

Play Night Scheduled

Friona Riding Club will once again sponsor the summer Play Night activities, beginning on Saturday, July 6, at 7 p.m.

The activities will continue for six weeks, with a break for the junior rodeo.

Competition will be held in five events: barrel racing, flag racing, pole bending, stakes and rings.

There will be four age groups: 1-5, 6-9, 10-14 and 15-19.

All youngsters are encouraged to take part in these activities.

CLASSIFIED ADS

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Lazbuddie I.S.D. is accepting applications for 3 custodial positions. Interested persons should contact Phil Warren or Susie Sterling at (806) 965-2156 or contact the school at Drawer A, Lazbuddie, Texas 79053. Deadline for accepting applications is July 1, 1991.

Lazbuddie I.S.D. is accepting applications for a cafeteria manager position. Interested persons should contact Phil Warren or Susie Sterling at (806) 965-2156 or contact the school at Drawer A, Lazbuddie, Texas 79053. Deadline for accepting applications is July 1, 1991.

Lazbuddie I.S.D. is accepting ap-

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Shower Set Here July 12

There will be a bridal shower honoring Connie Ware, bride-elect of Juan Martinez, on Friday, July 12 from 10-11:30 a.m. at the First Bank Community Room.

Hostesses are Yvonne Stevenson, Skeet Caldwell, Marie Redwine, Esther Steelman, Clara Gober, Janie Sudderth, Virginia Rhodes, Frances Willard, Phyllis Steelman, Gilda Mejia, Fern Bell, Kay Williams and Norma Whitten.

Connie is a 1976 graduate of Bovina High School and taught second grade here last year while her fiance served in Operation Desert Storm.

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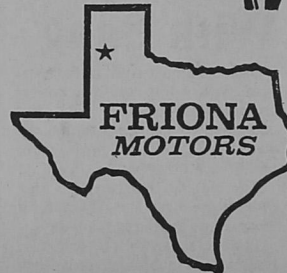
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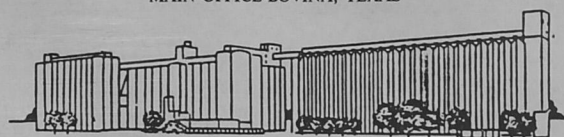


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M. Jennings In Pageant

Mia Jennings, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bryan Jennings of Lazbuddie, will compete in the Miss Texas Pageant, to be held June 30-July 6, in the Tarrant County Convention Center in Fort Worth. She won the title Miss Palo Duro Area by competing in the Miss Texas Preliminary last August in Spearman, Texas.

The Miss Texas/Miss America Pageant involves four areas of competition. A seven-minute private interview with the judges composes 30%, talent provides 40%, and evening gown and swimsuit comprise 15% each.

For talent, Miss Jennings will perform a piano selection entitled "Diabolique Suggestions" by Serge Prokofiew. She will be a sophomore student at Baylor University in the fall, where she has been a music major with piano and vocal emphasis.

Her sponsor is the Spearman Chamber of Commerce. They encourage all friends who wish to send their best wishes with flowers or gifts to call Forget-Me-Not Florist and Gift Gallery at 1-800-234-MARY or 1-817-831-0341, or Metro 817-429-0981 for special deliveries to her during the pageant week of June 30-July 6.



MIA JENNINGS

Shower Fetes Bride-Elect

There will be a bridal shower honoring Gilda Mejia, bride-elect of Doyle Garner, on Saturday, July 13 in the Fellowship Hall of the First Baptist Church in Bovina. It will be held from 2-3:30 p.m.

Hostesses are Dorothy Sorley, Jeanette Collard, Sue Barrett, Bonnie Clayton, Sandra Clayton, Phyllis Steelman, Juanda Murphy, Carolyn Pruitt, Kay Williams, Judy Hodnett, Mary E. Steelman, Erra Jamerson, Melissa Young, Terri Sorley, Donna Ware, Charlotte Cockerham, Jill Timms, Starlia Clayton, Karen Kirkpatrick, Kim Black, Patricia Turner and Violet Gray.

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Wineries Offer Visitors Taste Of Texas Hospitality

By Rob McCorkle and Lori Gwynn

To taste the world's finest wines firsthand, you could go to south of France, tour California's Napa or Sonoma Valley. Or you could tour Texas and drink in its outstanding wines.

From the High Plains near Lubbock and the Trans-Pecos area in West Texas to the Hill Country in Central Texas and the West Cross Timber area near Dallas/Ft. Worth, Texas wines and wineries are coming of age. Today, tens of thousands of visitors are finding their way to tasting rooms and vineyards around the state to sample home-grown vintages.

No longer is it uncommon to see premium Texas vintages once derisively referred to as Chateau Bubba and Yellow Rosé of Texas served in the world's finest gourmet restaurants and earning fistfuls of gold medals in revered competition.

In fact, West Texas was the first viticultural area in what is now the United States. Although not commonly known, in 1662, a century before Junipero Serra planted the first vines in California, Franciscan padres from Mexico established vineyards in the El Paso area to produce sacramental wines. In 1900, the Lone Star State boasted 26 wineries, ironically, the same number of wineries that exist in our state today.

High Plains

Almost half of the state's wine grapes are grown in cotton and cattle country on the windy plateaus of the Panhandle around Lubbock. Ample land, favor-

Kendall Is Buried Locally

Funeral services for Clyde V. Kendall, 62, were conducted at the First Baptist Church in Bovina last Saturday afternoon, with Rev. Richard Grisham, pastor, officiating.

Burial was in Bovina Cemetery under the direction of Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home.

Kendall passed away June 19, 1991 at Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona.

He was born in Pontiac, Michigan, and had lived in Lubbock since 1974. He was a close friend to Kenny Estes, and worked with him at the Buckner's Orphanage in Lubbock.

He was a retired sergeant from the U.S. Army, having served both in Korea and Vietnam. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include three brothers, Lawrence Kendall of Bonifay, Florida, Donald M. Kendall of Highland, Michigan and Robert Von Kendall of Waterford, Michigan; and one sister, Lavonne Sutcliffe of Jensen Beach, Florida.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Fred Kendall in 1959.

Pallbearers were Kenneth Chaffin, Chris Estes, Kenny Estes, Andy Garza, Stan Miller and Prentes Pruitt.

Lafuente Rites Are Scheduled In Hereford

HEREFORD — Pedro Lafuente Sr., 83, died Thursday, June 27, 1991.

Rosary will be recited at 7 p.m. today in Rix Funeral Home Chapel. Funeral Mass will be at 11 a.m. Saturday in St. Anthony's Catholic Church with the Rev. Domingo Castillo, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in St. Anthony's Cemetery.

Mr. Lafuente was born in Mexico. He married Leonor Tijerina in 1935 at Eden. He moved to Hereford 30 years ago from Lubbock. He was a retired farmer and a member of St. Anthony's Catholic Church.

Survivors include his wife; five sons, Alfredo Lafuente of Friona, Arnold Lafuente and Gonzalo Lafuente, both of Amarillo, Pete Lafuente Jr. of Hereford and Henry Lafuente of California; five daughters, Mary Lugo of Lubbock, Nina Vera and Aurora Rodriguez, both of Dallas, and Linda Dominguez and Leonor Perez, both of Hereford; three brothers, Fredrico Lafuente of California, and Manuel Lafuente and Luis Lafuente, both of Crystal City; three sisters, Isabel Hernandez of Eagle Pass, Guadalupe Lafuente of Crystal City and Josephine Nieto of Pearisburg; 39 grandchildren; and 27 great-grandchildren.

The family will be at 302 Norton St.

able climate and ongoing viticultural experiments have produced a quality of grape much in demand by wineries in other parts of Texas with limited acreage or no vineyards of their own.

The region is home to one of the state's largest and most celebrated wineries **Llano Estacado Winery** - which continues to dominate state competition and holds its own against the best French and California wines.

A trio of other wineries - **Pheasant Ridge, La Escabarda XIT** and **Teysha Cellars** — turn out bottles of their own highly-prized "fruit of the vine" mostly derived from estate grapes.

Trans-Pecos

The state's first wine-makers were 17th century Franciscan friars from Mexico who transplanted European wine grape root stock along the Rio Grande River in far West Texas just south of El Paso to provide sacramental wines.

One of the state's newest wineries - El Paso's **Bieganowski Cellars** - carries on the Old World wine-making traditions, blending them with modern technology to produce premium varietals such as Sauvignon Blanc and White Zinfandel, as well as sparkling Champagne. Another recent entry into the Texas wine market is **St. Lawrence Winery** in Garden City, which has established 27 acres of vineyards east of San Angelo.

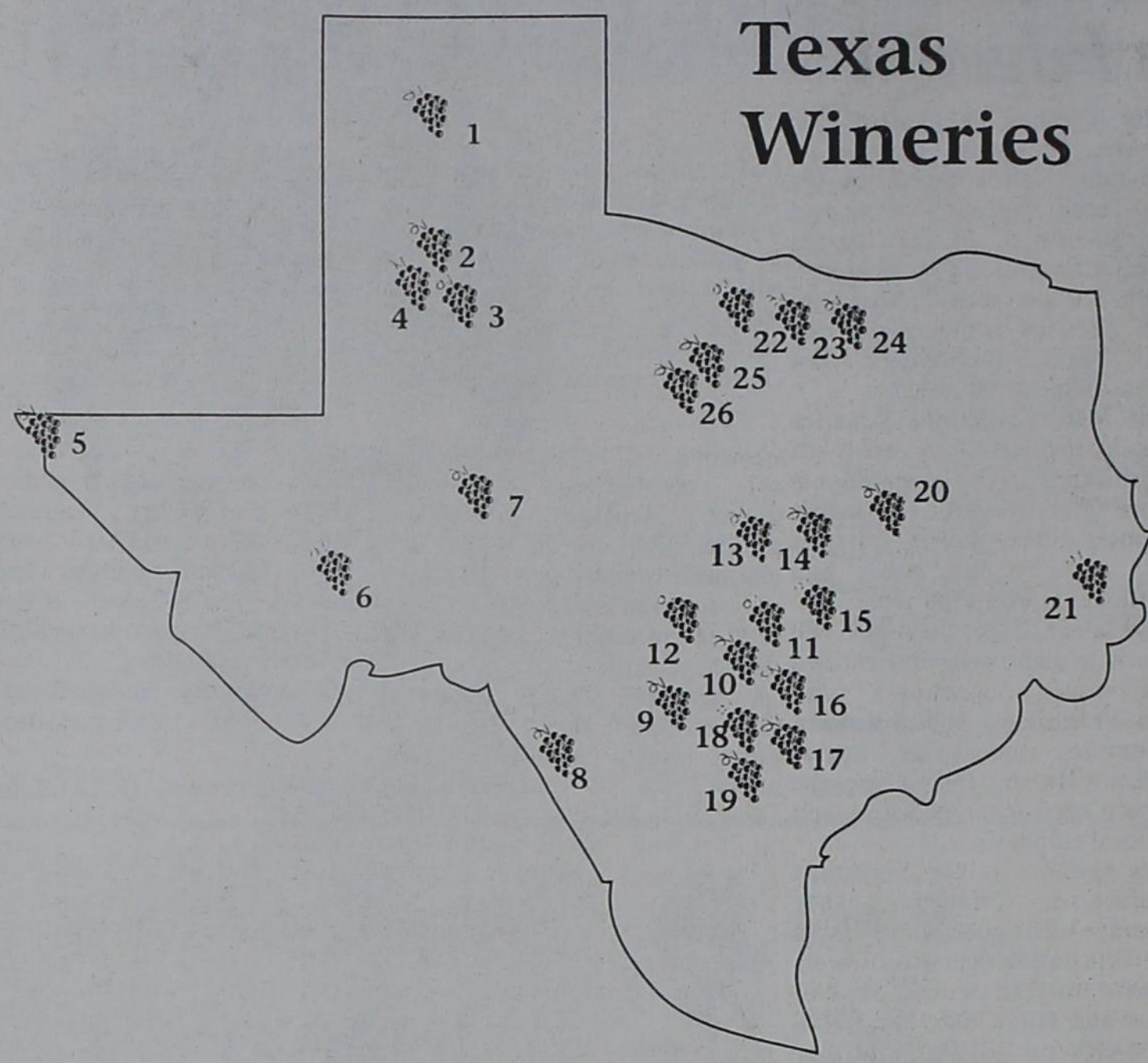
East of Fort Stockton sits the state's largest winery, **St. Genevieve**, which includes more than 1,000 acres of vineyards leased from the University of Texas. This \$15 million winery produces in excess of 100,000 gallons annually.

West Cross Timber (North Texas)

A handful of small, mostly family-owned "boutique" wineries can be found amid the hardwood and pine forests nestled just south of the Red River and on the periphery of the Dallas/Fort Worth metroplex.

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Friona physician Paul Louis Spring, M.D., has been honored by the Texas Medical Association.

Dr. Spring was voted into life membership by TMA's Board of Councilors at its meeting during the association's annual session held recently in Dallas. To become a life member, a physician must have been a dues-paying member of organized medicine for at least 40 years. Dr. Spring was among 30 physicians elected to life membership.

Dr. Spring is a member of the Tierra Blanca County Medical Society, which includes Deaf Smith, Parmer, Castro, Oldham and Swisher counties.

Texas Medical Association is a professional organization of more than 30,000 physician and medical student members. It is located in Austin and has 119 component county medical societies around the state. The association represents 82 per cent of the doctors of medicine licensed and residing in Texas and 96 per cent of the state's allopathic medical students. TMA's key objective is to improve the health of Texas through professional and personal development of its members.



Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor:

Occasionally citizens are called upon to square up stated public policy with their own core belief system. This is such a time. Some of our officials, on our behalf, have asserted a public policy position that we think is indefensible on economic, moral or social grounds. That position is the enthusiastic endorsement of the Pantex expansion based solely upon the Department of Energy's (DOE) representations of safety.

Operation Commonsense is a coalition that has been formed to voice the concerns of thousands of Panhandle citizens who are not yet ready to jump on the Pantex bandwagon. We are calling for an independent assessment of the risks presented by the activities, after they have been fully disclosed. Simultaneously, we want to create a public awareness of the nature of the proposed expansion. We are not against Pantex, the expansion, jobs, or growth. We are withholding our support or endorsement pending a careful evaluation of the safety and environmental risks. We are calling all citizens to be mindful of potential risks to agriculture, the backbone of our economy. Finally, we want a county by county referendum to either ratify or reject the project.

The position of supporting a hasty endorsement of the expansions seems driven by the high economic stakes set forth by the DOE. They have informed us that we need to wholeheartedly endorse the project or they may have some bad news--Pantex may be shut down. This has resulted in actions that have no foundation in carefully reasoned thought. Even though they acknowledge there is an uncontested series of environmental disasters haunting the DOE's past and even though it is likely that the expansion will involve plutonium handling or storage (the world's dirty linen) and even though they may not have a veto right later if they endorse now, they nevertheless believe it will be safe based solely on blind faith. This is the ultimate triumph of hope over experience. Furthermore they believe they can

stop this process at will, even though people in Nevada tried to stop Yucca Mountain (a nuclear dump site) and couldn't. To stop this project, if the DOE wants it, will literally require an act of Congress.

Officials often mention the new "culture of openness" at the DOE, yet we are told that we cannot see our own proposal because the DOE insists it must be kept secret. We need to be assured the proposal provides a ban on nuclear materials and waste storage, as our state legislators outlined in their resolution. We also need to see how our officials plan to evaluate the safety risks of the project before we make our final decision. A recent newspaper article tells us that the DOE's assistant director of operations at Rocky Flats said they will be reopening operations even though they have not conformed to their own promise to comply to certain safety and environmental guidelines--not faith building news to Panhandle residents.

There is commonsense in the Panhandle. We all want safe growth. We all recognize the responsibility our government has to provide a sound defense policy that will protect us from ill-intentioned aggression. We all want the Panhandle to be a desirable place to live. However, there remains a body of fact that cannot be ignored and is expressed by the chief safety expert for the DOE, when he says, "Severe deficiencies in equipment, employee training, management, and safety, that have crippled the Savannah River and Rocky Flats plants are endemic in the nation's nuclear weapons industry." This observation was reinforced by Representative David Skaggs in an interview with the Denver Post when he said, "I have reluctantly come to the conclusion the Energy Department cannot demonstrate that an adequate margin of safety exists in plutonium operations."

It is because we share these common beliefs that it is absolutely critical that all citizens of this area become knowledgeable of this issue. As information is disclosed and evaluated, we are calling for a

citizens committee to report on this recommendation to the public. They may seek the assistance of various experts in different fields as needed. Operation Commonsense calls on all citizens of this area to find out what is being proposed and the risks of those activities before endorsing the project. We ask the DOE to disclose a sufficient amount of information so the citizens of the Panhandle can make an informed decision. After that information is released and evaluated, we recommend a county by county referendum.

City officials claimed these enthusiastic endorsements were needed to make the "short list." We now know there is only a short list, even though proposals were solicited from all over the country. In a time of recession when many communities are hungry for jobs and growth, no one outside the weapons plant locations, wanted this project even though it offered hundreds of millions of dollars in payroll annually, billions in construction and thousands of jobs. We need to put the burden of proof on the DOE to convince us the activities they propose are safe. We shouldn't accept this project on blind faith.

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Helen Massengill of California, who is the sister of Harold Carpenter of the Oklahoma Lane community and Frances Norton of Farwell have been visiting many friends and relatives in the area recently.

Avis and Helen prepared lunch one day and took it to the home of Mrs. Nell Roach where they all enjoyed lunch and had a nice visit with each other.

Another outing was spent in the home of Joe and Reagan Looney. Avis, Harold and Helen, Joe and Reagan spent an evening visiting and they all joined in a sing along with Harold accompanying at the piano.

Helen also visited in the home of her dear friend, Mary Richards.

Reagan said it was wonderful to have Helen visiting in their home and they had such a great time visiting with old friends.

Helen will be going home soon and everyone whose life she has touched during her visit, has been made even more special because of it.

Suezy Smith, Carolyn Pruitt and granddaughters, Misty and Lindsey, spent time traveling around visiting folks around the Fort Worth area recently. They went to Coleman first to visit Suezy's parents, Herman and Edna Estes.

From there, they went to Fort Worth to see Carolyn's son, Steven Pruitt.

They left the girls with Steven and his wife, Francelle. While the girls were there, they went to Wet and Wild, the Fort Worth Zoo and Scarbrough Fair, which is an 1800s fair, where Misty said they dress up in costumes from the "OLD DAYS."

They also visited Suezy's mother's sister, Gladys Shamblyn in Fort Worth.

Steve brought the girls back to Lubbock on Saturday, where Carolyn met them and brought them home. Carolyn said it sure was quiet around the house while the girls were gone.

Bessie Webb is back in the hospital with congestive heart failure. She is in Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona and as of early this week, she was in stable condition. Our prayers are with you and your family, Bessie. Get well soon!

Arty and Tami Kunselman and daughters went to Eagle Nest a week ago Friday. They spent one day in Red River seeing the sights, shopping and rode horses.

Jim and Scooter drove up Tuesday night and the family stayed until Saturday. The fishing was good and the foliage beautiful. Residents said they received ninety inches of snow in March and it was the most moisture ever received during the winter months at Eagle Nest.

Arnold and Brad Hromas and Laurie and Jody Wilburn, daughters of Jerry and Charolette Wilburn of Hereford, took their boat to Lake McKenzie on Friday of last week and spent a day fishing.

Jody was very pleased to catch the largest fish. Lake McKenzie is located between Tulia and Silverton.

4-H Members Invited To Fun Day

All Parmer County 4-H Club members are invited to participate in the 4-H Clothing Fun Day. We will be holding the Fun Day on Wednesday, July 3, starting at 9 a.m. in the Farwell Community Center.

"We plan to paint T-shirts and tour local clothing industries," said Debbie Pollard, CEA-Home Economics.

Junior 4-H'ers (8-13 years) will make confetti hair bows while the senior 4-H'ers (14-19 years) learn to recover shoes with fabric.

If you would like to participate in the Clothing Fun Day, members are asked to return a form, or contact the County Extension office by phone, (806) 481-3619. There will be a small charge of \$5 per member to cover the cost of supplies.

"Please let us know by Monday, July 1, if you plan to participate in the Fun Day. Hope you will come and join in the fun," Ms. Pollard concluded.

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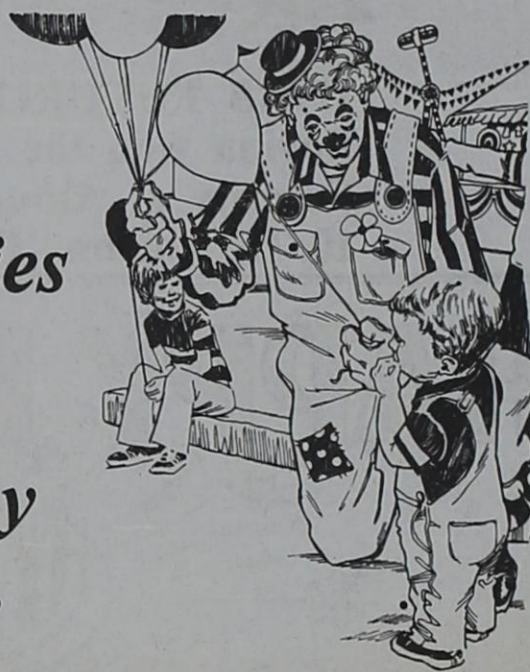
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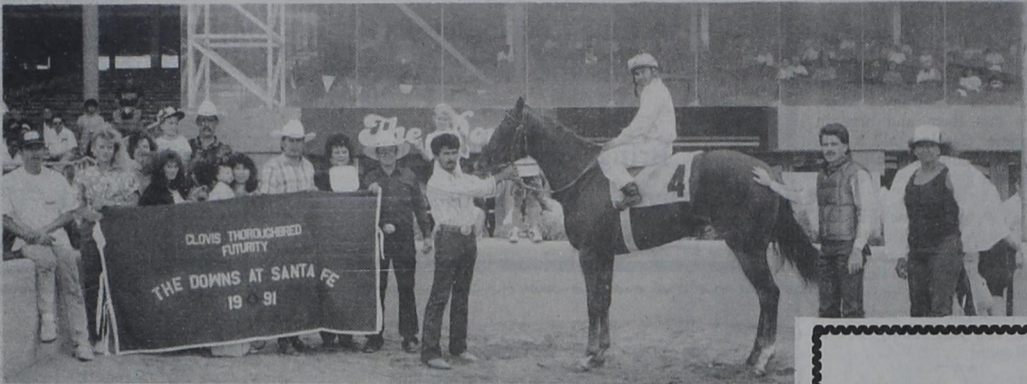




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*Don't Miss Bovina's
Fine July Fourth
Celebration!*



HAVE A
Terrific Fourth

We Will Have
Fun Things
For Everyone!

**Parmer County
Spraying Service**

Phone 225-4990

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**Join The Citizens Of
Bovina For A Super
Celebration On**

**The Fourth
Of July!**

*Fireworks!
Fun! Food!*

Don't Miss It!



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Kubin Air, Inc.

West Of Bovina On Highway 60
Phone 238-1331

Make it a fabulous Fourth of July!

Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative wants your Independence Day celebration to be fabulous — and safe. Here are some tips to help:

- Unplug electric grills when not in use.
- Place your grill away from dry grass, bushes, and your home. Protect the grill from the wind.
- Carefully observe all warnings on fireworks. Or better yet, go see a local fireworks show instead of doing your own — especially if conditions are dry in your area.
- Don't use kerosene or gasoline in place of charcoal lighter fluid.
- Don't overdo on food and drink.

And, of course, have loads of fun. After all, the Fourth is one of the best birthday celebrations of the year!

A safety message from
Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative

