



**Bull
Town
Bulletins**
By
Bill Ellis

RECENTLY, WE RECEIVED the following article from Robert Dedman, who is chairman of the State Highway and Public Transportation Commission. With the interest in highway improvements, we present Dedman's article herewith:

What would you think if you put money in the bank every year for specific household expenses, and when you tried to withdraw it, the bank would let you have only part of what you had deposited?

That's the way our federal government is handling the money we pay into the Highway Trust Fund. Motorists all across the nation contribute to the fund through a dedicated tax on fuel. By dedicated, I mean that the money can't go to anything other than the Highway Trust Fund. Billions of dollars pour into that fund, yet in recent years the federal government has been holding back a significant portion of the money as a paper mechanism to offset the federal deficit.

Is this the reason we pay gasoline taxes?

Not in Texas. Every dollar we collect from motorists is meant to be an investment in our highway system. Nearly 77,000 miles of our roadways depend on state and federal highway dollars for maintenance and improvements. And Texas motorists travel over 46,707 bridges in the state--many of them in need of repair or replacement.

Yet Congress, in order to juggle the apparent amount of the federal deficit, keeps \$14.2 billion in the Highway Trust Fund instead of funneling it back to the states from which it was collected. Maintaining a needlessly high balance in the trust fund doesn't reduce the enormous federal debt--it only serves as a smoke screen for the actual amount. We could be putting these unused dollars to work on our nation's highways if the federal government would cease this bookkeeping charade and release the money in the Highway Trust Fund.

It doesn't take an expert economist to see that this is a poor use of tax dollars. All we have to do is examine the important historical role highways and transportation have played in providing a healthy economy.

We're entering a new decade now--one last chance to make a mark on this century, to see our children safely into the year 2000. Highway leaders in every state have been analyzing the transportation needs of the nation from now through the year 2020. They have outlined a sound plan that will update and upgrade our existing transportation network so that it can meet future needs.

In less than two years, authorization for the Highway Trust Fund expires. The future of this very important source of mobility funding is at stake. The American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials proposed in early December that the highway trust fund be made permanent, and that we expand our nation's transportation programs in the coming decades. An increase in federal highway dollars is needed to accomplish this.

AASHTO's plan would be return to Texas additional federal funds each year, beginning with about \$350 million in 1992. By 1995, we would get about \$1.9 billion a year from the federal government--double the amount we now receive.

Just how critical is this money to our Texas? We have identified more than \$82 billion in highway needs for the next 20 years. At our current funding level, only about 60 percent of those needs can be met. An additional \$350 million a year would boost that projection to 71 percent.

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Excel Attacks 'Comp' Abuse

Work Now Underway On Building

Work continues on the American Legion Hall, which will soon be a building to house the Bovina Ambulance and equipment.

Members of the Fire Department and members of the Ambulance crew have been working to tear the old sheetrock out and insulation is now being put up. New sheetrock will go up then painting, new carpet and walks will be installed. Sometime later, cabinets and kitchen appliances will be installed on the far wall. There will be two bathrooms installed plus central heating and air conditioning.

This will take a lot of money and hopefully everything can be done one day to complete the renovation. Donations will be appreciated from individuals, businesses or organizations. Besides money spent on the building, they need approximately \$5,000 to leave in reserve for repairs on the ambulance if it becomes necessary.

Donations and contributions can be made at the Bank for this building fund.

The Bovina Study Club has been one of the main factors in getting things together for Bovina to be able to have the ambulance service plus a lot of help from Bovina citizens.

Athletic Banquet Is Slated

The Bovina High School Athletic Banquet is scheduled for May 18 at 7:30 p.m. at the Bovina High School Cafeteria. The banquet is sponsored by the Booster Club. All athletes will be honored.

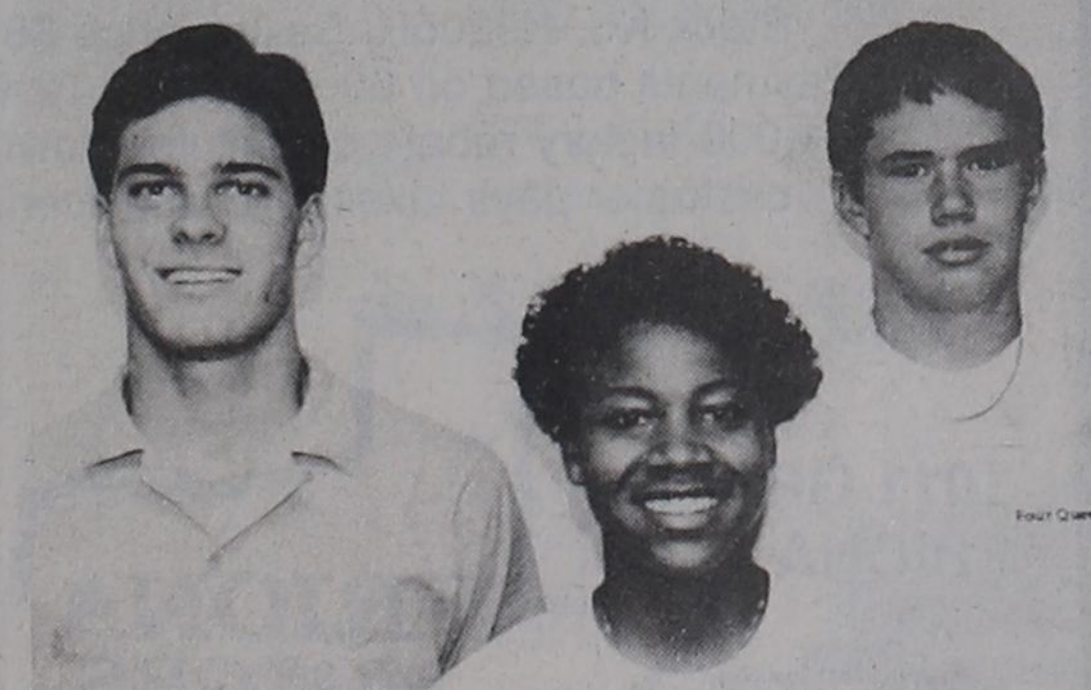
Tickets are on sale for \$8 or \$9 at the door, and can be purchased from any member of the Booster Club.

The banquet will be catered from Lubbock and the deadline for buying tickets before the banquet is May 13.

Don Cumpton will be the banquet speaker. Cumpton grew up in Bovina and now is the head football coach at Hereford High School.

TEMPERATURES

Date	Hi-Low
Monday, April 30	58-37
Tuesday, May 1	50-40
Wednesday, May 2	44-39
Thursday, May 3	52-40
Friday, May 4	66-38
Saturday, May 5	63-34
Sunday, May 6	76-38
Moisture: .40 inches	May 3.



TRACK WINNERS...Corey Kirkpatrick, Donna Griggs and Cain Neal went to Stephenville last weekend for the state Six-Man track meet. Kirkpatrick placed fourth in the 400-meter dash with a time of 53.3. Donna placed sixth in the 100-meter hurdles and fifth in the 300-meter hurdles. Her times were 50.7 and 16.5. Neal placed sixth in the shot put with a toss of 41-11¼.



SPECIAL DAY...Mother's Day will be special this Sunday for Sandra Cockerham. She holds baby son, Dalton, who was 13 days old when the picture was taken. The proud papa is Steve. Dalton is their first child.

Chamber Board Discusses July 4th

Members of the Bovina Chamber of Commerce's board of directors met at the Bovina Restaurant on Monday noon (May 7).

There was a discussion about plans for the July 4 events and it was decided to leave the price of tickets the same as last year. The cost will be \$2 each or 3 for \$5.

It was decided that prizes to be raffled would be: a black wrought iron patio furniture set, a lawn mower, a barbecue grill, and two \$100 savings bonds. All businesses who are members of the Chamber are asked to donate something from their businesses to be raffled.

Tickets for the July 4 events will be on sale by June 1, and can be purchased from any member of the Chamber.

It was decided that the Booster Club would be welcome to use any of the banquet decorations that have been used by the Chamber in years past.

Discussions took place on some

Stallings Hurt In Air Crash

Ted Stallings was critically burned when his plane crashed in Altoona, Pennsylvania, where he was spraying this week.

Stallings' secretary, Margaret Meason, said they were told it happened Tuesday morning and he was flown to the West Pennsylvania Burn Unit Hospital in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. His wife, Glenna, was enroute to join him.

Margaret said Stallings was flying low and transit lines caught the cockpit of his plane and caused the plane to crash.

of the events for July 4.

It was decided that the speaker or entertainers would be contacted soon for next year's Chamber of Commerce Banquet and those on the committee for this are Tami Kunselman, Bob Stafford, Richard Grisham and Suzan Hughes.

Good Turnout Is Noted In Pair Of Races

Norma Whitten and Wes Cockerham were elected to the Bovina School Board last Saturday in a good turnout of voters.

Mrs. Whitten, an incumbent, received 114 votes, and Cockerham received 109. Finishing a close third was Wayne McClaran with 105 votes and Dickie Steelman 87.

Otherwise, Daryl Kirkpatrick got 63 votes, Galen Carson 13, Richard Weber six and Glen Branson, 22.

In the City Council race, James Roach received 161 votes and John Dixon 141 to be re-elected. Marie Venable got 41 votes. Keith Knight was unopposed for mayor and received 142 votes.

Meeting Is Vital For Baseball

If you are interested in working on the baseball program for the summer, you are asked to meet at the High School Cafeteria next Monday, May 14 at 7 p.m.

This takes a lot of work and effort on the part of parents or anyone who wishes to have a part in the program. If enough people are interested, there will be a program for the children and if not, it won't be possible to have one.

Hopefully, you will be there, because it is very important to the youngsters to continue the program.

Mother's Day Tea Slated

There will be a Mother's Day tea at the Fellowship Hall of the First Baptist Church on Saturday, May 12 from 2-3 p.m.

All daughters, mothers, grandmothers and great-grandmothers are invited to attend.

Entertainment will be provided by Tony Bob Englant and Mary Rose Weber. Also entertaining will be the 4-H group.

Issue Is Threat To Local Plant

Officials of the Excel Corp. admitted last week that if they cannot reduce the workers' compensation claims at the Friona and Plainview plants, the future of these giant beef processing plants may be threatened.

Company spokesman Greg Lauser said that the Excel plants in Friona and Plainview have spent about 4.5 times more money in workers' compensation than the combined total of Excel's four other beef processing plants in other states.

"Excel has devoted about \$13 million to workers' compensation costs to these two plants during the fiscal year that ended May 1, 1989," Lauser said. "The other plants have the same workers' compensation coverage (the same company handles claims) and 14,000 more employees," he added.

Lauser said that the United Food and Commercial Workers Union and Bill Fielding, president of Excel, made a presentation last week to workers in both plants indicating that workers' comp has become a serious problem at both operations and that there needs to be significant improvement and a reduction in those problems within 60 days.

Terry Wilkerson, Friona plant manager, said he understood that the rumor had gotten out that the two Texas Excel plants might close within 60 days, but that was false.

"What they were saying was that we wanted to see some definite progress on the problem within 60 days," Wilkerson said.

Wilkerson said that a combination of the present Texas Workers' Compensation Law and the number of people in the two Texas plants making false claims provided the need for urgent reduction.

"In our meetings with the employees and union officials, everyone recognizes that this is a problem that has reached a zenith, and we need to get it cleaned up," Wilkerson said.

Wilkerson said last Wednesday morning that he had received a number of calls since the news article was first published in the Amarillo Daily News and Lubbock Avalanche-Journal, regarding the threat to the two plants.

"I know that the community is concerned. The fact is, the Friona plant is the most cost-effective plant in the Excel system, except for workers' comp. It is our most productive plant. But the workers' comp expense makes our production costs higher than they should be," Wilkerson said.

Wilkerson also emphasized that Excel officials realized that the number of employees involved in false workers' compensation claims represented a very small percentage of the work force.

"We know that the majority of our employees do not condone

false or inflated workers' comp claims, but these claims must stop if Excel's plants are to remain economically viable," he said.

Lauser also indicated that the workers' compensation revision enacted during the last legislative session was a step in the right direction. "However, it doesn't take effect until January of 1991, and we are dealing with a problem that is immediate," he said.

In a conversation with Bovina Blade publisher Bill Ellis last month, both state senator Teel Bivins and state representative Pete Laney made assurances that they were sensitive to the workers' compensation situation, and the problems it causes plants such as Excel.

Excel has implemented a two-fold plan of action. The first part attacks problems in ergonomics and plant safety, to try to avoid on-the-job injuries. The second part of the plan is to better monitor the compensation cases in progress, to eliminate false or inflated claims.

Lauser said he wanted to make sure the company's focus on eliminating false claims did not scare people with legitimate claims from reporting their injuries.

"We will fully compensate anyone with valid claims and encourage early reporting of work-related injuries, but we will also aggressively pursue those individuals inside and outside of the system who attempt to abuse it," he said.

Lauser said the actual closure of the Friona and Plainview plants had not been a matter of speculation.

"That has not been a subject addressed to the employees. We just wanted to impress upon the employees that it was a significant problem we would like their cooperation with. That is about the extent of our thought processes," he added.

Friona city manager Beelee Goodwin said that should the Excel plant close, it would have a significant impact, not only on Friona, but also on the surrounding cities of Bovina, Hereford, Muleshoe and Clovis.

"It would have a tremendous impact on the city. They are a strong corporate citizen in Friona...They are one of the largest employers in the area...If that plant was to close, it would have a tremendous impact on Friona, Clovis--the whole area," he said.

According to spokesmen in the personnel departments of Excel, the Friona plant employs about 1,650 people from the area, and the Plainview plant employs about 1,400 people.

Head Start; K'garten Sign-Up

The Head Start Program will be held the same day as kindergarten registration. Both will register on May 16 from 3-4 p.m. for next year's kindergarten and Head Start programs.

The children will be registering at Elementary School and all kindergarten students must be five years of age by September 1 and Head Start children must be four years old by September 1.

Children are required to have immunization records and a birth certificate and only official copies of records and certificates will be accepted. These must be from state offices. Also, Social Security numbers must be obtained.

Entries on the Head Start Program of four-year-olds are based on income and language.

Club Sets Dinner Sunday

The Bovina Lion's Club will sponsor their annual dinner for Mother's Day, Sunday, May 13 at the Bovina School Cafeteria.

A spokesman from the Lions Club said the meal would consist of fried chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, hot rolls and ice cream.

The cost of the meal will be a \$5 donation for adults and \$3 for children. Serving time will be from 11:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.

Proceeds from the event will go for the summer programs.

Bovina Study Club History Is Given

In July 1948, a group of women met over a cup of coffee and decided their social gatherings should be helping with the civic affairs of Bovina. Their decision was to organize a club that would be both social, civic and mental. Their motto would be, "Look up, not down; look forward, not back; look out, not in and lend a hand."

It was decided to meet twice a month and the officers for the first year were: Mrs. David Carson, president; Mrs. Aubrey Rhodes, vice president; Mrs. H.J. Charles, secretary; Mrs. G.D. Anderson, treasurer; Mrs. Bill Kyle, reporter; and Mrs. Charles Ross, parliamentarian.

Charter members of the club were: Mrs. G.D. Anderson, Mrs. Lloyd Battey, Mrs. Bedford Caldwell, Mrs. Tom Caldwell, Mrs. H.J. Charles, Mrs. A.J. Ellison, Mrs. Webb Gober, Mrs.

Otho Hammonds, Mrs. Arnold Hromas, Mrs. Clarence Jones, Mrs. Bill Kyle, Mrs. Reagan Looney, Mrs. J.P. Macon, Mrs. Lester Rhinehart, Mrs. Aubrey Rhodes, Mrs. Charles Ross, Mrs. William Thornton and Mrs. Robert Wilson.

The club met in homes, churches and the American Legion Hall during the first years and was federated in 1950. In 1955, they purchased the original Rhea School building and leased city land and raised the money to renovate the building. The first meeting held in the new clubhouse was on April 26, 1956.

Some of the achievements of the club over the past years have been the City Park, worked with heart and cancer funds, March of Dimes, gifts for mental hospital in Wichita Falls, books for Bovina School Library, sponsored the Bookmobile, assisted in providing salk vaccine for Parmer County children, placed street markers in Bovina, sponsored the medical clinic and sponsored the Christmas Card Project.

The club has helped the National Diabetic Association with a house to house canvas, TB testing, speech and hearing testing, youth opportunity campaign, planting a tree for Girlstown, as well as gifts at Christmas, lights along the driveway and sponsorship of the Grace Paul Fund for scholarships.

As a Federated club, they donated to Girlstown's educational fund, sent ten girls to Girls State, sponsored eight boys at Boys State and conducted a rubella clinic.

The Christmas Card project began in 1963 and this fund has helped the Medical Clinic, Grace Paul Scholarship Fund, ambulance fund and fire truck fund.

From 1947 until 1990, the club has had 28 presidents and the club is one of the largest and oldest volunteer women's service organizations, GFWC-TFWC-BWSC--they think of themselves as a "big family" of volunteers.

The Bovina Woman's Study Club has raised over \$19,000 and donated for special funds to help Bovina prosper and grow.



WENDY LEA SHERRILL and GREGORY DWAYNE CURRY....Mr. and Mrs. J.E. Sherrill, Jr. of Bovina and Mr. and Mrs. John D. Curry of Longview announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their children, Wendy Lea Sherrill of Bovina and Gregory Dwayne Curry of Plainview on Saturday, June 23 in Paramount Terrace Christian Church in Amarillo. The bride-elect is a 1982 graduate of Bovina High School and graduated from West Texas State University in 1986. She is employed as a National Bank Examiner in Amarillo. The prospective bridegroom is a 1982 graduate of Tahoka High School and 1989 graduate of Texas A&M University. He is employed at the Garst Seed Company in Plainview.

Band Wins Sweepstakes

The fifth grade band class took part in a band contest on April 28 at Petersburg High School with their band director, Mr. McGowan.

The group came back with a Sweepstakes trophy and won Division I in concert and Division I in sightreading.

Medal winners on solos and ensembles were: Rachel Espinoza, clarinet solo; Jason Kerby, snare drum solo; and Shaun Nau, trumpet solo.

The flag quartet consisted of Tina Bermea, Christy McLaughlin, Sandra Talavera and Ann Flores; Tammy Stormes, flag solo; Tammy Stormes, Rachel Espinoza and Tina Bermea in flag

trio. Also, Maria Fragoza, Crystal Brito and Stephanie Olivarez, flag trio; Joey Rackley, trombone solo; Joey Rackley and Sandra Talavera on mixed duet.

Maria Fragoza, clarinet solo; Tammy Stormes, flute solo; Sandra Talavera, flute solo; D'Anne Jones, piano solo; and Lori Beauchamp, piano solo.

D'Anne Jones and Kasey Bell, clarinet duet; Rachel Espinoza, piano solo; Lori Beauchamp, clarinet solo; Lisa Hromas, piano solo; Kasey Bell, piano solo; Jessica Stowers, piano solo and Amber Willard, piano solo.

Mother's Day-May 13 A TRIBUTE TO MOTHERS

*A woman of noble character who can find?
She is worth far more than rubies.
Her husband has full confidence in her and lacks nothing of value. She brings him good, not harm, all the days of her life.
She speaks with wisdom, and faithful instruction is on her tongue.
She watches over the affairs of her household and does not eat the bread of idleness.
Her children and call her blessed; her husband also; and he praises her:
Many women do noble things, but you surpass them all.*

-Proverbs 31: 10-12, 26-29.

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Teachers Honored Tuesday

A very special day for some very special-but often unheralded-people, was observed on Tuesday, May 8. That day is "Teacher Day, USA."

May 8 is one day of the year that local businesses, public officials, parents, and just about everybody in the Bovina school district can take time to thank teachers for their contributions to our community.

"Teachers here in Bovina are proud of the work we do," says a spokesman for the Parmer County unit, Texas State Teachers' Association.

Teacher Day USA celebration locally is part of a national and state program developed by the National Education Association and the Texas State Teachers' Association.

It is our hope that people in Bovina will take time to express their appreciation to our teachers and show them how much we really care.

FARM



CLOVIS, NEW MEXICO

DATE: TUESDAY-MAY 15th, 1990 - TIME: 10:00 A.M.

LOCATED: From Clovis, N.M. (Beginning from the Norris Street & Hwy. 60-84 Traffic Light). Go 4 miles East on Hwy. 60-84, then 3 miles South, then 3 miles East to sale site. From Portales, N.M. go 13 miles N.E. on Hwy 70, then 8 miles East, then 1 mile North. (Watch for signs).

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1-1979 md. 3588 I.H.C. Tractor, Cab & Air, 4 WD, 3 pt., Dual Hydra.

1-1972 md. 1466 I.H.C. Tractor, Cab & Air, 3 pt., D.H., P.T.O., T/A

2-1963 md. J.D. 4020 Diesel Tractors, 3 pt., P.T.O.

1-Michigan Loader, 4 WD, Diesel (need repairs)

1-1972 md. Case 580 B Loader Tractor, Diesel, Shuttle, (Need repair)

1-1972 md. 4620 J.D. Tractor, (Two New Radial Tires)

1-1963 md. 4020 J.D. Tractor

COMBINE & GRAIN CARTS & HEADERS

1-1975 md. 915 I.H.C. Combine, Cab & Air, 20' Header, Hydro.

2-Big 12 Grain Carts

1-8 row I.H.C. Corn Header

1-I.H.C. Grain Header

GRAIN TRUCKS

1-1970 md. Ford Grain Truck, S/A, 4&2 Trans., 16' Metal Bed & Hoist

1-1975 md. Ford T/A Grain Truck, 5&2 Trans., 20' metal Bed & Hoist

1-1973 md. Ford S/A Grain Truck, 4&2 Trans., 16' metal Bed & Hoist

1-1970 md. Ford S/A Grain Truck, 4&2 Trans., 16' metal Bed & Hoist - 3rd member out

TRAILER

1-Stidham 2 Horse Trailer

1-12' G.N. Stock Trailer

1-20' G.N. Stock Trailer

SEMI TRUCK & GRAIN TRAILER

1-1973 Mack R700, 5 speed, conventional, 5th wheel

1-1968 md. 40' Timpke Hopper Grain Trailer

1-30' S/A Cattle Trailer

FARM EQUIPMENT

1-20' Krause Oneway Plow, Hydra.

1-14' Krause Tandem Disk, Clean

1-14' Miller Offset Disk

1-J.D. 8 row Planter, (71 Flex Bed Planter)

2-Land Planes

1-24' Winkles Land Plane

1-3 pt. 8' Rhino Blade

1-3 pt. 8' Blade

1-I.H.C. 20' Offset Disk

1-16' King Offset Disk

1-20' Krause Tandem Disk

3-14' Krause Tandem Disks

1-4 bt. J.D. Spinner Plow

1-3 bt. J.D. Spinner Plow

1-4 bt. Packer

1-3 bt. Packer

2-9 row 500 gal. Spray Rigs (D.T.)

1-Belly Mount Sprayer

1-8 Row Tye Grain Drill

1-6 row Yetter Rotary Hoe

1-8 row Hamby Lister

1-8 row R.O.C. Rodweeder

1-7 Shank Ripper Plow (Hamby)

1-14' Sweep Plow

1-J.D. 6 row Cultivator

1-21' Hamby Chisel Plow

1-4 row Cultivator

1-6 row Cultivator

1-Hamby Chisel Plow

1-Round Bale Mover for F.E. Loader

1-Land Scraper

1-3 pt. Spring Tooth Cultivator

1-6 row Cultipacker

1-4 row Cultipacker

1-Cisco 6 row Rotary Hoe

1-Cisco 4 row Rotary Hoe

1-Drum Type Blade

1-Tait Booster Pump

1-3 pt. 6' Tandem Disk

1-J.D. 6' 3 pt. Blade

1-12' King Offset Disk

1-Eversman Carry All

1-Century Rope Wick

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We have had a lot of rain this week, some very beautiful. There are only twelve months and children and now counting them. Several events place next week high school students made the A honor.

PTA District Honor

Members of the Teachers Association Seminar Conference of last week in L held at the Plaza Hotel.

They were present for the Beautification of this district. Those who conference were K Steelman, Charol Estrella Ortiz and Pam Bell is a Beautification group painted playground equipment flowers.

This was really receive this recognition the second year they been in existence. The looks of our and is much appreciated in the community.

Baby Shower Set May

A baby shower May 19 from 3-5 First Bank Community Sandra Cockerham Dalton Tyler.

Hostesses for Juanda Murpherson, Suzar Anderson, Kim McClaran, Joyce Murphy, Marti Ware, Gwen C Bartlett, Charles De-An Turner.

Bovina Fights

A week ago lightning struck Gene Scott's place Bovina and burned or thirty acres.

Edna Scott said she appreciated the the Fire Department flames out before damage.

Eddie Don Ligon as soon as the light his mother, Edna reported the fire. were used to put also to protect t could have been fire.

First Grade To Perform

The first grade Widner's and Mrs will be present Thursday evening p.m. in the Auditorium.

The title of the "Big Top." Evening

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Scooter's Scoops

By Scooter Russell

We have had almost half an inch of rain this week, some wind and some very beautiful days. There are only twelve more school days and children and youngsters are now counting them.

Several events will be taking place next week. On May 10, the high school students who have made the A honor roll and A-B

PTA Wins District Honors

Members of the Bovina Parent Teachers Association attended the Seminar Conference on Tuesday of last week in Lubbock. It was held at the Plaza Hotel.

They were presented a plaque for the Beautification Award in this district.

Those who attended the conference were Kim Black, Esther Steelman, Charolette Cockerham, Estella Ortiz and Linda Martinez.

Pam Bell is chairman of the Beautification Committee. The group painted trash cans, playground equipment and planted flowers.

This was really an honor to receive this recognition as it is only the second year the local PTA has been in existence. It has improved the looks of our school grounds and is much appreciated by people in the community.

Baby Shower Set May 19

A baby shower will be held on May 19 from 3-4:30 p.m. at the First Bank Community Room for Sandra Cockerham and baby son, Dalton Tyler.

Hostesses for the shower are Juanda Murphy, D'Lynn Jamerson, Suzan Hughes, Denise Anderson, Kim Black, Kelly McClaran, Joyce Read, Candra Murphy, Marti Mayfield, Donna Ware, Gwen Clements, Renae Bartlett, Charlene Grissom and De-An Turner.

Bovina FD Fights Fire

A week ago last Tuesday, lightning struck the grassland on Gene Scott's place just north of Bovina and burned about twenty or thirty acres.

Edna Scott said how very much she appreciated the quick action of the Fire Department in putting the flames out before they did more damage.

Eddie Don Lide saw the flames as soon as the lightning struck and his mother, Esta Lee Lide, reported the fire. Three fire trucks were used to put out the fire and also to protect two homes which could have been damaged by the fire.

First Graders To Perform

The first graders of Mrs. Widner's and Mrs. Taylor's classes will be presenting a play on Thursday evening, May 10 at 7 p.m. in the High School Auditorium.

The title of the play is "Under the Big Top." Everyone is invited.

honor roll will be honored with a banquet for them and their parents.

The honor students in the eighth grade will be serving. The Junior-Senior Prom will be held May 19. The Athletic Banquet is May 18. It is a busy time for parents and youngsters.

It has also been a busy time for the farmers who have been planting.

Casey Bell celebrated her twelfth birthday with a dress-up party at the home of her grandmother, Mary Jane Wilson, on May 2. Those attending and serving a "Mistic Dinner" were: Lisa Hromas, Jessica Stowers, Tammy Stormes, Lori Beauchamp, D'Anne Jones, Amber Willard, Mandy Wilson, Brooke Charles and the honoree, Kasey Bell. The young ladies had a good time. Servers were Debra Beauchamp, Gladys Wright and Pamela Bell.

Erma Bradshaw is back in Bovina after spending several months at her home near Zapata. She and Mace Cochran drove as far as Lubbock together and Erma spent time in Lubbock with her son, Cotton and Avis Bradshaw, before returning to Bovina.

Our deepest sympathies to Marian Carson, whose mother passed away. She lived in Nevada and the family has been out there for the services.

Kim Gober was home over the

weekend and visited with her grandmother, Nell Roach. A friend, Deann, came with her and the two of them went to Clovis and had dinner. They brought Nell hers when they returned. Kim teaches school near Lubbock and has taught for eight years.

A.M. Wilson celebrated his 75th birthday with about 100 people attending the dinner party held at their home last Friday night.

Those who fried the chicken were Glenden Sudderth, Woodrow Wright and Jay Sherrill.

Some of the group enjoyed dancing to a jukebox on the patio and we understand C.E. led the singing. People came from Ashland, Nebraska; Vega, Amarillo, Abilene, San Antonio, Texico, Farwell and Clovis.

Out-of-state guests were former residents, Jim and Shirley Hemke of Nebraska and Hazel Hemke, also of Nebraska. They had a great time!

Rodney and Suzanne Murphy have been in Bovina visiting with parents and attended the dinner party honoring Suzanne's dad, A.M. Wilson, on his birthday. Rod and Suzanne live in Abilene and said they had received five more inches of soaking rain and it was already muddy everywhere.

Ona and Jack Patterson came home a week ago last Tuesday from Georgia. Visiting with them over the weekend was their granddaughter, Cara, who will be



graduating from West Texas State University on Saturday.

We enjoyed a house full of company on Sunday for a fish fry. Had a good time and visit with family members.

SMILE: the irritated father was talking to his teenage son. "But school is only three blocks away, and you want to drive. What do you think you have two feet for?" His son replied, "One for the brake and one for the gas."

Have a great week and thanks for helping with the news and Scoops....Scooter.

Society Tells New Officers

The Guadalupana Society held their regular meeting on Sunday, May 6, and new officers for the coming year were elected.

Officers are as follows: Lupe Rodriguez, president; Maria Robledo, vice president; Norma Villarreal, treasurer; Liza Navarro, reporter; Ellice Martinez, historian; and Tina Uriegas, Parish Council representative.

The closing prayer was given by Lupe Rodriguez.

The installation of new officers will be held sometime in June.

Refreshments were served by Chela Florez, Maria Robledo and Mrs. Seing.



TEACHER OF THE WEEK....Judy Jennings was recognized as Teacher of the Week by the Bovina Parent Teacher Association. She has taught in Bovina Schools nine years and teaches algebra and Spanish. She is a Student Council sponsor. Her husband is Dr. James H. Jennings and the couple has two children, Julie and Jim.

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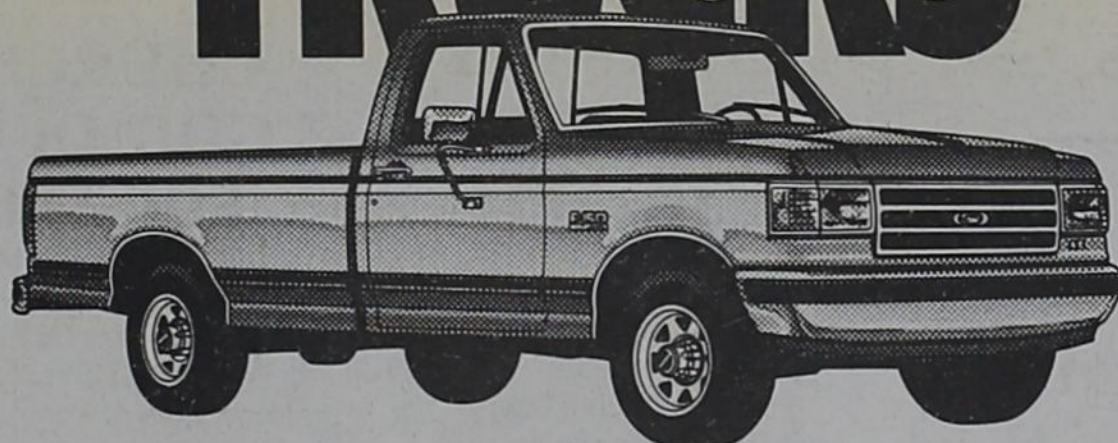
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



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APPRECIATION DAY...Tuesday was Teacher Day, USA, and teachers were recognized throughout the nation. Pictured are teachers from fifth grade through high school.



TEACHERS APPRECIATED...Shown are teachers, aides and the secretary at Ridgelea School May 8 was Teacher Day, USA.

Bull Town Bulletins...

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The AASHTO plan contains a number of other solid points, all of which we on the Texas Highway Commission support. But none is as critical as the future of the Highway Trust Fund. The success of the Interstate system in the past 30 years is clear evidence that fuel taxes are best used to improve and maintain a mobile nation.

Rather than requiring a tax increase, in its initial years the AASHTO plan could be funded simply by putting to use the highway dollars that are now trapped in a budgetary sleight of hand. These dollars would generate more jobs, expand the nation's mobility network, and

boost our national economy. We can either spend the last decade of this century giving a 10 percent effort to our future, or we can do two-thirds the job we need to, and limp into the year 2000 unprepared.

We could use fancy political phrases to talk about this issue, but let's call a spade a shovel--it's time to stop using the Highway Trust Fund to artificially reduce the federal deficit.

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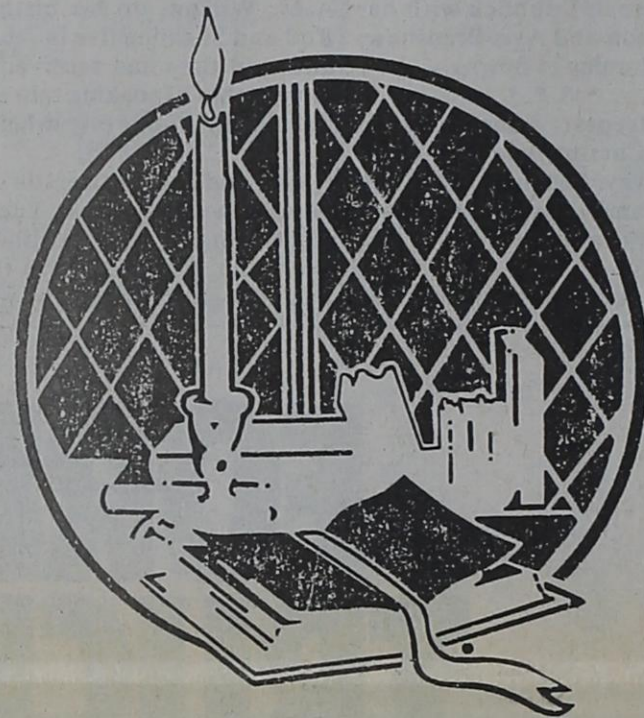
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