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RETIREMENT TIME....After 20 years, LaQueta Garner, second from left, has retired. She began her employment in the Law Offices of Richard Collard in 1982. The firm was purchased by Byron Boyd in 1991 and LaQueta "came with the deal" and has remained until her retirement last week. Above, at the reception, l-r, Byron Boyd, Mrs. Garner, Dawna Roach and Carol Boyd.

Hi-Pro Animal Health Dept. Losing 21 Jobs

A press release issued by Friona Industries, L.P., announced the sale of its Hi-Pro Animal Health Division to Walco International, Inc., the leading provider of animal health products to the food and companion animal

markets in the U.S.

"Our Hi-Pro team, over the course of 35 years, has created a compelling franchise focused on servicing the production segment of the cattle industry from Nebraska to the Gulf Coast, and this

will be a unique and extraordinary addition to Walco's national profile," said James Herring, President and CEO of Friona Industries at the Amarillo headquarters.

He added, "The skill sets and market coverage for both these companies should be a perfect match and the combination will certainly broaden Walco's capabilities in the food animal and dairy markets."

The long term news is not so positive, however, for the 21 employees of Hi-Pro Animal Health in Friona. Walco officials were in Friona this week discussing future options with current employees.

As of September 30, 2002, the Hi-Pro Animal Health administrative office will no longer be located in Friona. Employees that remain until September 30 are being offered an additional severance and benefit package.

The Hi-Pro operations will be transitioned to the Walco headquarters in Grapevine, Texas. Employees can apply for positions that may become available in other Walco stores.

Also, several Hi-Pro personnel will have the option of transferring to the Grapevine headquarters. Officials emphasized that the Hi-Pro Animal Health store in Friona, and the other 11 Hi-Pro stores will remain open for business. For an unspecified period of time, the Hi-Pro stores will continue to operate under the Hi-Pro name.

The Hi-Pro Animal Health operation evolved as Hi-Pro Feeds was being built in 1968. In calling on feedyards to provide feed, then Hi-Pro manager Ron Davenport found that a need for animal health products existed also.

Hi-Pro entered the animal health market soon after and Hi-Pro Animal Health was founded in 1969.

The feed mill and administration offices were destroyed in the June 2, 1995 tornado that smashed Friona. However, Friona Industries rebuilt the facility and the current office building, demonstrating a faith in the Friona area economy.

Construction Imminent On Second New Dairy

Construction on another large dairy operation for the Bovina/Friona area is expected to begin sometime this next week, according to a spokesman for the company.

Wesley Barnett, spokesman for the new company, said that dirt work for the new dairy is expected to begin early this next week.

The new dairy will be located approximately nine miles southeast of Friona. It will be a mile south of the "Blackburn corner," and west of the Farm to Market highway. It also is about seven miles south of Black.

The property is also known as the old Boggess place. It borders the Sam Mears property.

"It's beginning to come together. We have everything approved, and we hope to begin milking cows between November 1-15," Barnett said.

"This should be good for the local economy. It will pump some money into the area from salaries, and we will be buying much of our

feed from local farmers," Barnett added.

The new dairy is expected to pump over \$1 million in salaries into the local economy. The operation expects to have from 30 to 35 employees.

Barnett said that the operation will use state of the art milking equipment, which employs a 72-place "carousel" for the milking. "They say that the cows like being on the carousel, are very content, and you sometimes have to squirt water on their faces to make them get off," Barnett said. It takes approximately eight minutes to milk a cow.

The carousel rotary is manufactured in Australia, and as there are numerous dairies going in across the country, the new dairy had to get their name on the list to get the needed equipment.

The dairy will use a lot of

ensilage and hay. Barnett indicated that Lone Star Dairy has already contracted for about a year's supply of feed ingredients from local farmers.

Barnett's group learned that they would have to construct a half-mile access road to connect to the Farm-to-Market road. They approached the commissioner's court on the matter, but learned that the county hasn't done such paving on past projects.

"Many counties are very aggressive in going after such companies--Deaf Smith County for an example, but Parmer County has not been aggressive in pursuing new industries to this extent," Barnett said.

The price for young milk cows is around \$1700 to \$1800 apiece, which is about three times what a young feeder calf costs.

County Approves Tax Deal For Second Dairy

The Parmer County Commissioners, in a recent meeting, approved the first step in the process to grant a tax abatement for another large dairy to be built about nine miles southeast of Friona.

Thomas Carver, general manager for Lone Star Dairy, told the commissioners that when the new dairy is operating at full capacity, it will house about 5,500 cows, with 4,000 of that total to be milking.

Carver, a resident of Amarillo, is one of fourteen (14) co-owners, most of whom live in the Friona area.

A portion of the property belonging to Wesley Barnett has been purchased for the new dairy's location, whose exact address is 2101 FM 1172.

Carver said the dairy will employ 35 fulltime employees and have an annual payroll of about \$1.1 million. The total annual operating budget is projected to be between \$10 and \$11 million--a sizeable new payroll for the local area.

Carver stated at the May meeting of the county commissioners that the new dairy will add about \$6.2

"Weevils will find the cotton left in these fields and use it for feeding and reproduction," he said.

Growers who destroy plants in weather-damaged fields, or who fail cotton for any other reason, by July 15 are eligible to receive a credit

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Advice Is Given Re: B. Weevils

One of the realities of farming cotton on the High Plains is that late spring and early summer storms are likely to produce hail that will damage or destroy a crop

The loss of a crop can be devastating financially to an individual grower, but the cost to area cotton growers is compounded if growers do not take care to destroy any remaining plants in fields affected by severe weather.

Cultural controls are an important part of the eradication effort, said Charles Allen, program director for the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation.

One of the most important of these controls is the elimination of a food source and a place for boll weevils to reproduce, Allen said, and the damaged cotton remaining in storm-affected fields can be a good place for weevils to find both.

"This will allow needless increases in the boll weevil population and costs to growers in the eradication program," he said.

Allen urged growers to destroy cotton in fields that will not be brought to harvest as soon as possible. He also said growers should be careful to destroy any cotton remaining in a field that will be replanted in another crop.

Resignations Accepted at Special Bd. Meeting

The Bovina School Board met in special session on Monday, June 3. The meeting was called to order at 7:09 p.m. with all members present except Vicente Loe.

A Level 3 grievance that had been previously filed with the board was remanded to be considered at Level 2.

At 7:10 p.m. the board went into closed executive session to confer with Superintendent Downes. The board came out of executive session at 12:26 a.m.

Following the executive session Kerby made a motion to extend term contracts to Douglas Schwartz, Michelle McGillis, and Linda Douglas for the 2002-2003 school year.

The motion passed. However, Schwartz and McGillis tendered resignations which were accepted by the board along with the resignations of Debby Weems, Jarrod Sowder, Randy Johnson and Judith Jennings.

In a motion by Villarreal, seconded by Kerby, the board extended probationary contracts to Brittni Black, Gracie Murrillo, Hector Guevara and Maria Sierra.

Hollman Charged In May 11 Traffic Deaths

In a final personnel action, the board extended a probationary contract to Briar Head, speech therapist, at a \$28,000 annual salary for the 2002-2003 school year.

Francis Michael "Frank" Hollman, Jr., 45, of Friona was arrested last week in connection with a head-on collision May 11 that killed Amy Kilpatrick, 13, of Hereford, and her mother, Connie Ortiz, 39, of Friona.

They died on Highway 60 when their vehicle, driven by Kevin Ortiz, was hit head-on by Hollman near Summerfield in Deaf Smith County. DPS Troopers allege Hollman was driving east in the westbound lane and that alcohol was a factor in the fatal accident.

Friona police officers arrested Hollman Thursday, May 30, and took him to Deaf Smith County where he was charged with two counts of manslaughter, a second

degree felony. Bond was set at \$5,000 on each count.

A second degree felony carries a penalty of 2-20 years in jail and up to a \$10,000 fine. Sgt. Ben Urbanczyk of the Hereford DPS office, who is in charge of the DPS District Accident Team, said the case will be presented to the Deaf Smith County grand jury set to convene on June 20.

At press time, Hollman remained in jail in Deaf Smith County. Kevin Ortiz is recovering from his injuries and has returned to work at Friona Feedyard. A Kevin Ortiz Love Fund has been established at Friona State Bank to assist with medical and burial expenses.

Bull Town Bulletins

by Bill Ellis

IT ALMOST SLIPPED UP on me. As of June 1, Carol and I finished our 40th year of publishing newspapers in Parmer County. Time flies when you're having fun!

Having returned to this part of the country after beginning my journalism career on the West Coast, it at first appeared useless after I had had a falling out with Larry Hall, then publisher of the *Muleshoe Journal*, which led to a parting of the ways.

While sitting in our rent house (which belonged to my uncle and aunt, Paul and Alice Whitecotton in the Bailey County capital) we really hadn't begun to wonder yet about our future when the telephone rang.

It was W.H. Graham, Jr., who had formed a three-newspaper chain (Friona-Farwell-Bovina). "I have a job opening in Friona, and wondered if you might be interested," Graham told us. Divine providence?

The next day I drove to Friona to meet with Graham, and accepted the position as news editor of the *Friona Star*.

After about three days, Carol asked me "What do you think of Friona?" I answered "It isn't bad. It'll do 'till something better comes along." I guess it never did.

We did get some offers to move to larger places, but we enjoyed the hometown atmosphere here and decided to stay put.

Scarcely more than a year later, I became Managing Editor, after Graham exchanged his half-ownership of the *Star* to Joe Osborn for his half-interest in Plains Publishers.

The publishing business was keeping its press running well after dark, even in the summertime. The newfangled offset process gave community weeklies a bright, fresh look.

For several years, the newspapers produced at the Friona plant won the lion's share of awards all the way from the Panhandle Press to the Texas Press Assn. competition, until the rest of the world realized that Graham's notion, offset, was here to stay.

To further illustrate how our move to Parmer County was well-timed, in the fall of 1968, Osborn offered to sell the *Star* to Carol and me. We had saved up enough for a down payment, and the Bank directors were impressed enough to finance the rest.

Our three kids were newspaper brats. Laura was born in San Mateo, California, so we had her when we arrived in Friona. Our boys, Stan and Richard (Rick), were both born at Parmer County Community Hospital, delivered by the Spring brothers, Dr. Paul and Dr. Lee, who had delivered two or three generations by the time they retired late in life.

We had always intended to have four children, but Dolph Moten, our neighbor in Bovina, came over to see us early in 1973, and the *Bovina Blade* became our "fourth child."

Actually, it was practically twins. We bought the *Blade* from Dolph in April of 1973, and Rick was born that August. I think Carol had to make some advertising layouts for the "73 Bull Town Days" edition from her hospital bed.

I would be remiss if I didn't give my "significant other" a lot of credit for whatever success we have had in the newspaper business. We met in Journalism School at Tech, and we've been partners ever since.

Texas Press Assn. gives a plaque for 50 years of service to journalism. Since we've been in business 40 years in Friona and 30 years (next April) in Bovina, I think we should qualify, so we could quit and do something less stressful.

Yes, even after 40 years, the deadlines still get to you.

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CO-VALEDICTORIAN

Kelcey Scroggins Presented Address

Following is the text of the valedictory address delivered by Kelcey Scroggins at the May 25 commencement ceremonies.

KELCEY SCROGGINS
Valedictorian

I would like to start off tonight by first of all thanking everybody for being here. Thank you to all of the teachers, faculty and administration for all their hard work and support over the years. Thanks to all of the parents and families for being here and supporting us in everything we did and worked for. And most of all, I would like to thank each of the graduates of the Bovina High School class of 2002 for working so hard to get where you are today; it is truly an accomplishment. Today marks the end of a chapter in our lives and the beginning of a whole new adventure.

When I was first informed that I would be Valedictorian of my graduating class, I was so excited to have earned this honor. But I soon realized, through many troublesome events, that this honor was not a title that would stick with me for the rest of my life.

Ten years from now, it won't matter who was Valedictorian of our high school class, but more importantly, how we impacted others throughout our lives. God put us all in each other's lives to one another in some way. The most important way that each of you can make an impact on others in your life is by showing that you have character.

Throughout our educational years, so many different people have taught us how to have character and be morally upstanding members of our society. However, it is what you do with that knowledge that truly defines who you are.

Abraham Lincoln once said, "Nearly all men can stand adversity, but if you want to test a man's character, give him power." Be careful with the power you have over your own life and over others' lives because that shows your true character.

Some of the most important things that I believe influence a person's character are honesty and responsibility. Honesty is reflected in everything that a person does, and if you are not first honest with yourself, you will never be honest with anybody else. People can see honesty in your eyes, and honest people are more likely to be trusted.

Although honesty is an important factor of character, there is also such a thing as too much honesty. I'm going to tell a little story here, and Christen, this might embarrass you a little, but just bare with me! Our junior year, we were cheering at a home football game, and Christen and I were just cheering, laughing, and having a great time. Well, pretty soon, we notice a little white thing lying on the ground. We kind of just looked at it, wondering what it was, and when I realize what it was, I look up at Christen, and she just turns the brightest shade of red.

Hoping that nobody else noticed, we take a quick glance into the stands. There were some people whispering amongst themselves, but we figured that perhaps nobody caught what had just happened. Just then, Alice Stone stands up and yells, which seemed like at the top of her lungs, "Teep, your padding just fell out of your bra!"

Christen was so humiliated she just dives for the bottom of the bleachers and hides. That was when we realized that there was such a thing as too much honesty! Alice, thank you for teaching us that lesson!

The next thing that influences a person's character is responsibility. Learning to be responsible and taking responsibility for your actions is something that seems to take some a little longer to learn than others. I, for one, had a little difficulty learning this one in my younger years. I was informed that when I was little, I had the habit of always blaming my sister, K'Leigh for everything I did rather than take the responsibility myself.

One night, in the middle of the night, my dad came home, and he is walking down the hall and notices all these color marks all down the wall. Then, at the end of the hall, I was asleep on the floor with the crayons clutched in my hand. My dad wakes me up and asks, "Kelcey, what are you doing out of bed?" Well, I come back with the age-old line, "K'Leigh" did it." Moral of the story: don't try to lie when all of the evidence points toward you. It shows poor character.

Graduation is a time to thank all those who helped you through those tough years; your parents, who we don't always realize all they do and sacrifice for us; your siblings; maybe even a teacher or a coach.

I would personally like to take this time to thank some teachers; Mrs. Eschberger for teaching me so much and making school fun, Mrs. Avalos for always supporting me in every decision I made, Ms. Anderson for being more than just a teacher, but being a friend when I needed somebody to talk to, Mr. Lees for trying to teach me Calculus and making me realize that I always need to live up to my full potential, and even Mr. D'Uva for, well I don't know, I guess just giving me a hard time, and giving me somebody to always take my frustrations out on!

So many teachers have come and gone, but each has helped mold my character and who I am. But more than anything, this is a time to thank your friends. Throughout my high school career here at Bovina High School, there have been many people who have influenced my character and who I am by showing me friendship.

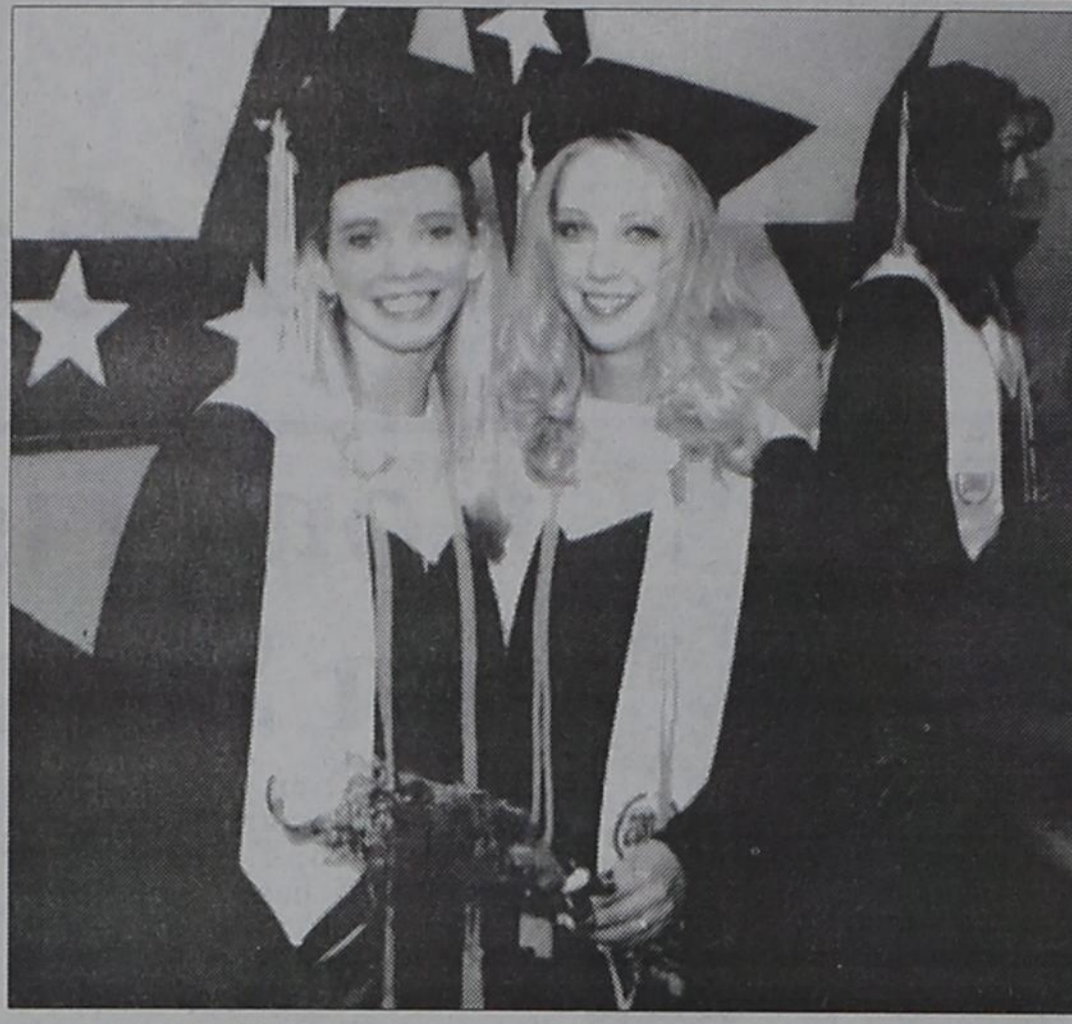
When I leave high school, there will be two very significant friendships that will stick with me forever. The first one was when I first moved here, nobody really talked to me, and I didn't know anybody, so I didn't speak much either, but one girl immediately became my friend and made me feel welcome. She has stuck with me these past four years and became my best friend. So, Christen, I thank you for always being here for me and always supporting me 100% in everything I did. You have deeply affected my life and it will be in my heart forever.

The last friendship that will be with me throughout my life is one that just came about a few weeks ago. When the whole Valedictorian issue came into question, it seemed to turn me and this other girl against each other, and we never really spoke all through high school, so I guess it was easy for us to think the worst of each other.

But through all the pain and tears, in the end, we were able to walk away from everything as friends. And to share the title of Valedictorian with her is an honor. So, Angela, I wish you the best of luck throughout your life and I thank you for teaching me one of the biggest lessons of my life, not to turn on others and question their character just because I am hurting. Being a friend to someone is the best gift you can possibly give them.

And now, to the graduates of the class of 2002, I challenge you to always influence others, in a positive way, and I offer you this advice, which can best be summed up in the words of a famous man, "Instill the love of you into all the world, for a good character is what is remembered." Be a person of character.

Good luck to each and every one of you as you continue on this journey we call life, although I know that none of you will need luck for the future, that your ambition and drive and your inspiring personalities will get you farther than my best wishes. But from this moment on, Class of 2002, may the road rise to meet you. May the wind always be at your back. May the sun shine warm upon your face, the rains fall soft upon your fields, and until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of His hand.



CHRISTEN & KELCEY & HAPPY GRADUATES



Services Held Monday For Pablo "Jimenez" Perez

Pablo "Jimenez" Perez, 81, of San Angelo, died Thursday, May 30, 2002 in an out of town nursing home.

A rosary service was held at 7 p.m. Sunday, June 2 in the Robert Massie Riverside Chapel. Mass was held at 10 a.m. Monday, June 3 at the Cathedral Church of the Sacred Heart with Father Tom Barley officiating. Burial was in Calvary Cemetery.

Perez was born June 30, 1920 in Melvin, Texas, to Anastacio and Maria De Jesus Jimenez Perez. He married Genoveva Constancia on October 24, 1936 in Melvin, Texas. She preceded him in death on July 4, 1997.

He served his country in the Army during World War II. After the war, he spent his time working in farming, for Western Iron Works, cotton gin and at Austin Elementary School.

Three children preceded him in death: a daughter, Lydia; a son, Romero, and daughter, Maria De Jesus Perez.

Survivors include four

sons, Alvin Perez and wife, Paula, of Amarillo; Guillermo "Willie" Perez and wife, Georgia, of Vega, Texas; Pablo Perez, Jr. of Spearman, Texas; and Benito Perez of San Angelo; five daughters, Nelia Garza of San Angelo; Emma Davila and husband, David, of Friona, Sally Zapata and husband, Gilbert, of San Angelo; Jenny Vasquez and husband, Benny, of Kansas City, Missouri; and Irene Perez and husband, Adam, of Bovina.

Also surviving are three brothers, Anastacio Perez and wife, Bertha, of Big Lake, Lupe Perez and wife, Eustaquia, of San Angelo; and Nestor Perez and wife, Mary of Abilene; seven sisters, Maria De Jesus McHaney of Seguin, Texas, Gregoria Trevino, Antonia Lira, Odilia Perez, Elena Diaz, Corine Rodriguez and Sulema Sarrano, all of San Angelo; thirty-nine grandchildren; 83 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandson; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.



Bovina Bits

by Becky
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Dean and Wendy Stanberry reported this week that their daughters, Jamie Stanberry McNeely and Michelle Stanberry Gonzales, have been named to the Dean's List at Clovis Community College and were nominated to receive scholarships to complete their education.

Jamie is pursuing her education in nursing and photography.

Michelle has just 12 more hours to complete her bachelor's degree in Business Administration.

The Stanberrys are very proud of their girls and we are too!

Sue Fowler had company last week. First, her brother and sister-in-law, Dan and Barbara Gross of Hobbs, New Mexico were here for two nights and then her sister and brother-in-law, Olive and Henry Hinton of Floydada and their granddaughter, Carly Hinton of Monte Vista, Colorado were here for a night.

During their stay, they visited Sue, Olive and Dan's mother, Eula Gross, who is a resident at Prairie Acres Nursing Home in Friona.

During Sunday night's big lightning storm, lightning struck on the farm of Robert and Kay Fowler located four miles west of Bovina on FM 2290.

A tree that is on the north side of their barn was struck and the next day when Robert went to check on things, he found a large part of the tree on the south side. That was some strike!

Happy Birthday Bovina

June 9-15, 2002
Jun 9 Joy Melton, Jesus Anaya, Jr.

Jun 10 Trish Sherrill, Cathy Carrera

Jun 11 Emmagene Calaway

Jun 12 Tyler Walling, Bertha McGrew, Darrell Drager.

Jun 14 Roberta Borquez, David Bermea.

Add names of friends or family to our birthday list by calling 251-1523.

If there are names on our list that need to be deleted due to a name change, death, moved away, etc, please let us know also. Thank you!

We saw local author, Lisa Schilling, on Channel 7 Tuesday evening at 6 p.m. She was being interviewed about her recently published book, "Forever Avenly".

She reported that she is currently writing another book and "Forever Avenly" is now available at Barnes and Noble Bookstore in Amarillo.

We sure are proud of Lisa and her accomplishments.

Lots of folks have inquired about the status of Marion Carson who was involved in a four-wheeler accident last Tuesday on his farm.

I spoke to his son Galen this week and he said that Marion is still listed in critical condition in ICU at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

Doctors are very concerned about his lung that was punctured during the accident. They expect him to remain in ICU for another couple of weeks.

Galen said the pilot and workers with Lifestar he spoke to following the accident said they knew when they got to Bovina that Marion was well taken care of. They said they can always count on our local ambulance team to have the patient ready and prepared for flight.

Coming from a group of professionals, that's a great complement about our local volunteers.

We heard this week that Jessie Stone's father, Louis Stone of Dekalb, passed away. Funeral services were held Wednesday in Dekalb. Our condolences to the Stone family.

Jay and Patsy Sherrill attended the graduation of their granddaughter, Traci, from Panhandle High School recently.

Traci's parents are former Bovinans Steve and Trish Sherrill. Her brother, Scott, who is a junior at Texas A&M University at College Station was also there.

Jay and Patsy's three other children and their families also attended the graduation.

They are Terry and Cheri Sherrill of Gruver and their kids Ashleigh, T.J. and Tanner; Wendy and Greg Curry of Canyon and children Coleman, Mason and Neeley; and Patti and Blair Brown of Panhandle and their son Carson.

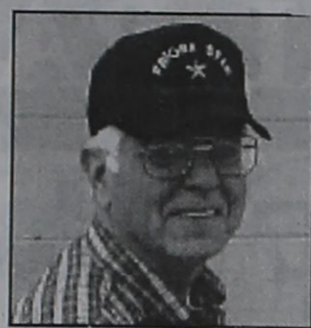
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Out Here

by Ron Carr

"Earn Cash--Get Married"

Love & marriage
Love & marriage
Go together like a
Horse & carriage
This I tell you
Brother,
You can't have one
Without the other!

Ah yes, love and marriage. Two things that don't always necessarily go together.

I don't have anything against marriage. I tried it three times. Just didn't seem to work for me. But I recommend it to anyone that has the stamina to make it work.

All of my colleagues here at the paper are still married to the same person. Bill and Carol Ellis have been married 43 years, Vickie and Terry Copley celebrated 34 years this week, and Marlene and Joe Mueller have racked up 35 years of wedded bliss. It brings a tear.

Last Saturday I drove to Lovington, New Mexico, to attend a reception, dinner and dance celebrating the 50th wedding anniversary of Hop and Jeanne Graham.

They owned the Lovington Leader newspaper until their son John took it over

and were formerly newspaper people in Parmer County.

Anyway, their niece Judy Gurule lives here in Friona so she and I went to the celebration. It started at 3 p.m. and when we left at 11 p.m. to head home they were still dancing and eating.

Fifty years is a long time to be married to the same person. I guess after fifty years of marriage, dancin' and eatin' is about all there is left to do.

Of course I have been married 30 years myself. Thirteen the first time, nine years to number two and eight years the last time. Notice the time grew shorter with each one. I figure my fourth marriage will be lucky to last six months.

Now don't get excited ladies. I'm not planning on getting married again (even though there is a certain woman that I really, really like). As the saying goes, instead of getting married again, I think I'll just pick out an ugly woman and buy her a house. Be cheaper that way.

All these aforementioned

Ex-Resident Is Buried Downstate

Graveside services for Louis Loyd Stone, 75, were conducted Wednesday, June 5, at Spring Hill Cemetery at DeKalb, Texas.

Stone, a former resident of Parmer County, passed away Monday, June 3, at his residence in DeKalb.

He was born May 21, 1927 in Monroe, Louisiana. He was a retired farmer, and was a member of the Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Katie Mae Stone on August 8, 1997.

Survivors include two daughters, Barbara Trim of Daingerfield and Brenda Corwin of Colfax, Iowa; four sons, Jessie R. Stone of Bovina, Louis W. Stone of Friona, Ronnie D. Stone of Rogers, Arkansas and Gary L. Stone of Clovis, New Mexico.

Also, one brother, Jerry Don Stone of Paris, Texas; 14 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

folks, and many others, have stayed together, raised families, held jobs, paid taxes, bought houses, and even somehow continued to like each other.

They all have one other thing in common: they didn't need any help or encouragement from the federal government to get or stay married.

But like it or not, under the "kiss and hug" leadership of George W. the government has allotted \$331 million taxpayer bucks and plan to go into the marriage counselor business.

This is the same government that can't keep illegal aliens out of the country, that thinks it can do a better job at education than the educators, and they think they can keep man and woman together in holy (or unholy) matrimony.

I never could figure out what a marriage counselor was supposed to do to save a marriage anyway. By the time it gets to the counselor stage, a marriage is pretty well on the skids. (What does a marriage counselor do for a living if his own marriage ends in divorce. Does he have to turn in his license.)

A fellow named Wade Horn, 47, has been named Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services for Children and Families. (Try to say that without taking a breath.) Brother Horn believes that sustaining marriages is moral and cost efficient. Not necessarily in that order, I'm sure.

Here are some stats: nearly three-fourths of children in single parent families will experience poverty by age 11. He says children from intact families are less likely to give birth out of wedlock or get in trouble with the law--both of which end up costing the government a bundle.

See, it is always about money when it comes to the government, isn't it? Democrat, Republican, doesn't matter.

Horn says, "The money in this bill goes to help people who have decided to get married and want to try to stay married." He also noted that middle class people have access to marriage counselors that the poor do not.

So, listen up, all you poor,

unwed, single moms and all you poor, never-planned-to-marry-her-even-if-I-did-get-her-pregnant deadbeat males, the government is coming after your worthless butts.

The government is tired of the way you just go around getting pregnant with who knows who, not ever getting married and even if you do get married then getting a bunch of other women pregnant while your wife is at home taking care of the kids.

What do you poor folks think you are anyway, professional athletes?

So the government is bringing you some money to get married. They haven't decided how long you have to stay married or how much you get for tying the knot. Or if you have to give the money back when she throws your butt out.

Mr. Horn even said, "If it doesn't work, then we go on to something else."

Can the government do a good job of more marriages and fewer divorces? Not a chance. If you have ever been divorced, tell me if the government could have changed your mind.

Here is a message from the heartland of America Mr. Horn. Listen closely: You don't have enough money to save a marriage that is broke. Love and marriage either is or it isn't.

As a friend of mine said once, "Even if they send the 82nd Airborne, I'm not going back in there and live with that woman anymore." (He didn't say woman but this is a family paper).

Happy trails poor people and some of you middle class ones too. Remember, love and marriage is where it's at. George W knows best.

"I promise to love, honor, and obey.....but not go blind!" rh--be nice!

Clinic Set June 19

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center in Amarillo will conduct a breast cancer screening clinic at Parmer County Community Hospital, 1307 Cleveland Avenue in Friona on June 19.

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Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are done by appointment only. Call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673 for more information.

Ex-Bovina Resident Buried In Lubbock

Funeral services for Pauline Lloyd O'Hair, 64, of Lubbock, a native of Bovina, were conducted Thursday, June 6, 2002, at the W.W. Rix Chapel in Lubbock, with the Revs. Vergil Ichtertz and Pat Driskell officiating.

Burial was in Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park.

Mrs. O'Hair died Sunday, June 2, in Lubbock.

She was born January 20, 1938, in Clovis, New Mexico, to Freda (Hartsfield) and Buck Lloyd. She was a 1956 graduate of Bovina High School, and also graduated from Draughon's Business College in 1956.

She married Jess B. O'Hair, Jr., on December 22, 1956, in Bovina. He passed away February 28, 1996. Mrs. O'Hair worked for Don Hefner, CPA and Tony Buxkemper, CPA for a total of 45 years as an accountant. She had been a resident of Lubbock for the past 22 years.

Survivors include a son, Rick Don of Lubbock, a



PAULINE O'HAIR

daughter, Karla Ann Richards of Lubbock; three sisters, Patricia Wright, Penny Lawlis and Mary Ann Engler, all of Amarillo, and seven grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be made to the American Cancer Society, 3411 73rd Street, Lubbock, Texas, 79423.

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The residence of the Independent Executrix is Bonham, Fannin County, Texas; the post office address is:

c/o: Kathryn H. Gurley
 Attorney at Law
 P.O. Box 729
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 Friana, Texas 79035

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

DATED the 4th day of June, 2002.

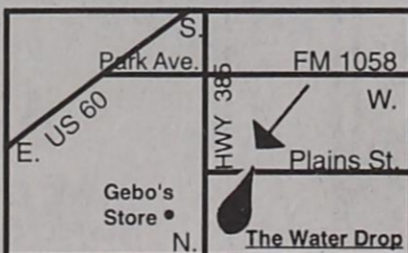
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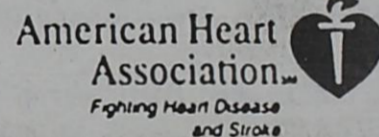
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Bovina Reflections

...from the files of The Bovina Blade

45 Yrs Ago-June 5, 1957

Miss Harriette Lou Charles was elected Worthy Advisor at the regular meeting of the Bovina Chapter of Rainbow for Girls. The meeting was Monday evening in the Masonic Hall.

Farrell Motor Co., located on Highway 60, will observe its first anniversary Wednesday and Thursday of next week. A two-day open house will be held to observe the anniversary.

Parmer County farmers are reminded this week of the 1958 wheat referendum on Thursday, June 20. Any person who will have an interest in more than 15 acres of wheat next year will be eligible to vote.

40 Yrs Ago-June 6, 1962

M.H. Carson, who farms four miles north of town, brought the first load of 1962 wheat to Bovina Monday afternoon. The grain was delivered to Bovina Wheat Growers, Inc. Carson received a \$25 premium for having the first load.

Bovina voters favored three losers and a pair of winners in Saturday's Democratic primary run-off.

People here expressed a definite preference for gubernatorial candidate Don Yarborough over his successful state-wide opponent, John Connally.

Attending the Lions Club convention at Amarillo over the weekend were Mr. and

Mrs. Tom Bonds, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Caldwell and Mr. and Mrs. H.J. Charles.

35 Yrs Ago-June 7, 1967

Rains last week and this have soaked the ground in Parmer County, while hail damaged crops in some areas. Three inches of rain was measured in Bovina Thursday and Sunday, while hail battered the area both days.

C.E. Trimble will serve as general chairman of Bovina's Bull Town Days celebration for 1967 for the second consecutive year.

Twenty-two boys and girls who will enter Bovina Schools for the first time in September reported for class Monday morning in the Head Start Program here.

No reports had been received here early this week by Alfred Moody from workers in the advance drive of the Sears-Roebuck Foundation plans to raise \$50,000 for the construction of a medical clinic in Bovina and securing a doctor.

As the City of Bovina takes over the care of the Bovina Cemetery, a five-year service to the community ends for Bill Venable. That's how long he has been working there with no salary for his efforts.

30 Yrs Ago-June 7, 1972

With a minimum of enthusiasts, this area is on the brink of wheat harvest 1972. Wheat, once a major crop in Parmer County, has slipped in importance in recent years. This is especially true from the standpoint of wheat.

About 25 persons attended the annual business meeting of Bovina Wheat Growers, Inc., Thursday night of last week at Community Room of First State Bank of Bovina.

Rev. Howard Marcom, former pastor of First United Methodist Church of Spur, is the new pastor of Bovina United Methodist Church.

25 Yrs Ago-June 8, 1977

Departing this past Monday from the property of Bovina Wheat Growers, Inc., Steve Cockerham, Lezli Williams, Shannon Taylor and Glen Schueler will attend the Co-Op Youth Leadership Conference on the campus of William Jewell College Liberty, Mo., for the week of June 6-11.

20 Yrs Ago-June 9, 1982

The city's new street sweeper is here and the city sanitation crews have been working with it for the past week.

Robert E. Wilson was responsible for the first load of wheat this season to be brought to Sherley Grain in Bovina.

15 yrs Ago-June 10, 1987

Jeff Taylor is the new pastor for the First United Methodist Church in Bovina. He moved to Bovina this week with his wife, Karen,

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last Wednesday, May 27, when a pickup, driven by Henry Gilliam of Bovina, pulled out in front of a semi-truck. The truck driver swerved to miss the pickup and overturned. None of the cattle was killed or had to be destroyed.

5 Yrs Ago-June 7, 1997

Pablo Martinez, Jr., son of Pablo and Linda Martinez, and Jessica Stowers, daughter of Roy Lee and Dorothy Stowers, were chosen as Mr. and Miss Bovina High School.

Cesaria Espinoza was awarded the A. Otis Herbert Scholarship. She is a 1991 honor graduate of Bovina High School, and is currently employed by the Panhandle Plains Historical Center in Canyon, Texas.

Boll Weevil Foundation....

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in the amount of their assessment provided they keep the fields free of hostable cotton until the first killing freeze.

Thorough elimination of cotton plants in fields that will be planted to another crop is also necessary to prevent boll weevil population increases, Allen said.

These fields are also eligible for the credit against assessments as long as they are kept free of all hostable cotton until the first killing freeze.

The Texas Boll Weevil eradication Foundation is a nonprofit, grower-initiated and funded organization dedicated to eliminating the cotton boll weevil from the state in the most cost-effective and environmentally responsible manner possible.

Around Town

VBS at Calvary Baptist Jun 24-28

Calvary Baptist Church of Friona will hold Vacation Bible School Jun 24-28, from 8:30-11:30 a.m. Children who were in kindergarten thru 6th grade last school year are welcome to attend. The theme of the VBS will be Amazon Outfitters. Pastor Petty says they will be running the wagon again this year so be ready to ride to the Amazon and see what is happening. For info call the church office at 250-3000.

Summer drama workshop Jun 17-28

The annual summer drama workshop in Friona is set for Jun 17-28. All ages from elementary to high school. Registration forms available at the Friona High School office, or from Allison Johnston or Joy Morton. For more information call 250-5870 or 247-3797.

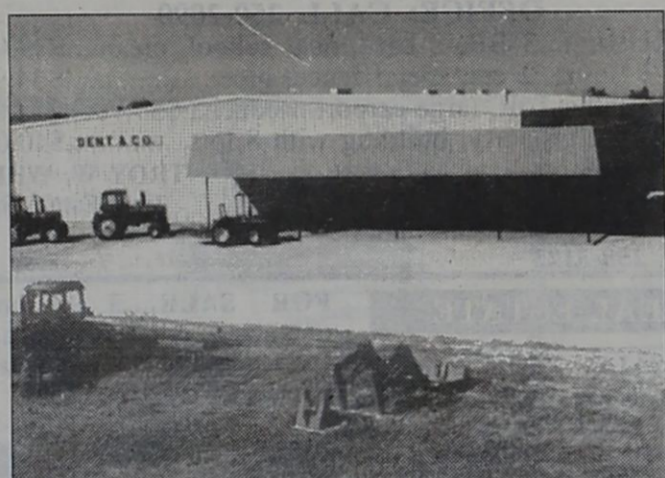
Roosevelt Co. Heritage Days Jun 14-15

Roosevelt County Heritage Days will be held in Portales, NM, Jun 14-15. Included will be a two-day 4H rodeo, a parade, a pioneer celebration, an antique car show, arts, crafts and food booths and a street dance. Arts and craft booths and parade entries are still available. For more info contact Roosevelt Chamber of Commerce at 505-356-8541.



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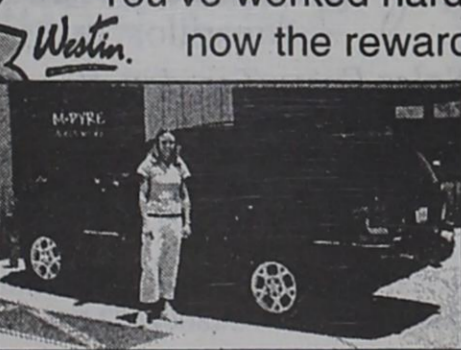
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