



BY BILL ELLIS

MANY OF YOU who watched the movie "Sunshine Christmas" Monday night may not have realized that the movie was filmed in its entirety in Claude, Texas, up near Amarillo. So, the references to Claude carried more than just passing interest, and the guy who "came back to Texas" really did come to the Texas Panhandle.

If you watched the movie, you probably noticed many references to this area, and you may have also noted that the tone of the movie also did a good job of portraying the feeling of the supposed Panhandle residents.

That is no doubt due to the fact that the story was authored by the daughter of an Amarillo resident. That's why you felt as though the characters for the most part could have been folks you knew.

The reference about "going into Amarillo Christmas shopping" must have struck a familiar chord across the region (and wasn't a bad Chamber of Commerce type plug, all free of cost). And at one point we saw a semi-close-up of a calendar which appeared to be sponsored by Tascosa National Bank.

We're sure that the folks at Claude had a ball, not only back in the summer when the stars and crew were filming the movie, but watching for themselves and familiar landmarks during the prime-time network showing Monday evening. A number of Claude residents were used for minor parts, as well as in crowd scenes and as extras.

One little bit of irony that we thought of: The author is the sister-in-law of the owner of KVII-TV, Channel 7. The movie was shown on NBC, which is represented by KAMR, Channel 4.

YOU NEVER KNOW who you're going to run into, regardless of where you are. We discovered this last summer when we saw Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Bunch touring Disneyland the same day as the Ellises.

Barbara Corbin reports that last weekend while visiting in Colorado Springs, she ran into Mrs. Kim Rundell of the Rhea Community, Letha Treinen of Bovina, Alta Hutto of Clovis, and another former resident, Roxann McLean of Dimmitt.

And Barbara is probably going to figure that it pays to watch where you go or what you say, since it might find its way into the Blade. That's right, Barbara. We had our tape recorder going.

HERE'S A LITTLE item that you probably waited breathlessly for, and thought we'd never mention.

Many mothers who prepare sandwiches to send to school with their youngsters may think that the old standby, the bologna sandwich, is a cheap meal.

Not so, according to an item in a recent issue of Consumer Reports. A study came up with the fact that compared to three other sandwiches, a hamburger, a tuna salad sandwich and a peanut butter sandwich, the bologna sandwich was actually the most expensive in cost per ounce of protein, plus being the highest in fats and calories. In fact, bologna was more than four times as expensive as the most economical of the four—peanut butter.

In addition, it was discovered that bologna contains a possibly harmful additive, sodium nitrate, and tends to go rancid if the shopper and homemaker don't watch for the signs.

MONDAY NIGHT'S Dallas-San Francisco game was sort of a "nostalgia trip" for yours truly, since we saw our first NFL games while living in San Francisco in 1960-61.

If you thought that the thick fog, which settled in during the second half of the game was unusual, it wasn't. That happens virtually every night in the bay area.

We saw a game one night at old Kezar Stadium, before the Forty-Niners moved to Candlestick Park, where it was so foggy that high punts would be out of sight in the soupy stuff.

Santa Claus Sets Visit On Dec. 22

Santa Claus, alias St. Nick, Kris Kringle or St. Nicholas, will arrive in Bovina on Thursday, Dec. 22, while on his annual pre-Christmas journey through surrounding towns,

according to word received here by Bovina civic organizations. The easily-recognized jolly old gentleman will be in downtown Bovina at approximately 1 p.m. He

has been able to fit his visit here into his very busy schedule and it is known his reindeer are ready for the trip, with the irreplaceable Rudolph leading.

No landing facilities are available in the downtown section, so members of the Fire Department will meet Santa Claus outside of town and escort him to Main Street in the fire truck, where he will distribute candy to the children and visit with them for a while.

Children and little tots can meet and talk with Santa because school buses will pass the spot where he will be stationed as they proceed from the schools to their home-bound routes.

The favorite of children worldwide St. Nick will make his visit here under the auspices of the Bovina Lions Club, the Chamber of Commerce and the Volunteer Fire Department.

Conversations with Santa's assistants at the North Pole during the week confirmed that he will accept delivery of letters addressed to him that had been sent to this newspaper by area children.

Council Discusses Housing Situation

The Bovina City Council met in regular session last Thursday in City Hall. Mayor Tom Bonds, Council members Bedford Caldwell, Dickie Clayton, Vernon Estes, Rouel Barron and Fred O'Hair were present, in addition to Clayton Williamson, city manager; Jerry Atchley, city marshal, and Billy Whitecotton, chairman of the Bovina Housing Authority.

Whitecotton discussed the Authority's plans for the development of housing in the southern part of the city and the city manager was directed by the council to examine city utility feasibility at sites under consideration.

Marshal Atchley reported that the police department has stepped up traffic law enforcement, especially in school zones. To date, 12 warning citations have been issued. In addition, a criminal mischief case was solved and processed by the department.

City Manager Williamson reported on a delinquent collection policy, purchase order policy and operating procedures for the police department.

The council voted unanimously to accept a sewer easement from J.B.

Sudderth and W.M. Sudderth.

It was agreed that the city would become a contributing employer to the Texas Employment Commission in providing unemployment compensation for employees.

The council was informed by Williamson that the fluoride content in Bovina's water is 1.8 mg. per liter. This exceeds the 1.6 mg. per liter content established by the State Department of Health Resources. Williamson stated Bovina's fluoride content actually low for this area.

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Bob Price Leads In City, County

Bovina voters joined the slight majority of voters across the 31st senatorial district last Saturday by giving a slight edge to Bob Price in

the runoff election to fill the state senate position.

Price received 70 votes in the Bovina precinct, to 57 for Bob Simpson. Countywide, Price won by a 90-vote margin, 426-336.

In Parmer County, Simpson won only at Black and Oklahoma Lane, and those were among the smaller boxes.

Across the district, Price won by a mere 234-vote margin, 15,197 to 14,963. Simpson has called for a recount of the votes, following the vote canvassing in each county.

	Price	Simpson
Black	12	16
Friona	194	174
Bovina	70	57
Farwell+	68	34
Lazbuddie	33	10
Oklahoma Lane	14	28
Rhea	14	10
Lakeview	21	7
Totals	426	336

+Includes absentees.

Sales Taxes Are Received

State Comptroller Bob Bullock said last week that Texans may be headed for their biggest Christmas holiday shopping spree ever if retail sales continue at their current brisk pace.

He said that city sales tax collections—a prime indicator of the buying public's mood—are up an impressive 22 per cent to date over last year, the biggest increase in recent years.

Bovina has experienced a modest 3 per cent increase over 1976, nowhere near the reported statewide jump of 22 per cent.

The local share of the November rebate was \$685.01, compared to a net payment of \$838.17 in the same period last year.

Total payment for 1976 at this time was \$13,293.15. The 1977 total is \$13,798.14.

Annual Feather Contest Slated

The annual "Longest Tailfeather Contest," held in conjunction with the local pheasant season, will be sponsored in Bovina once again in 1977.

Bovina Gin, which also will sponsor the first prize of \$15.00 in cash, will collect the entries. First State Bank will sponsor second prize of \$10 in cash, and Lawlis Gin will sponsor third prize of \$5.00.

Winners are selected at Bovina, Friona and Farwell, and then the county champion receives a plaque.

Around Bovina

All basketball games involving the Junior High teams, home and away, will start at 5 p.m. High School varsity and JV games begin at 4 p.m.

Bovina Lions Club will sponsor a Ladies' Night at Clovis' Villa Inn on Thursday, Dec. 22. The festivities are scheduled to start at 7:30 p.m., Texas Time. It has also been reported the club has spent \$4,500 on the ball park this year. Proceeds from the concession stand made this possible.

Mrs. Pat Kunselman, city secretary, underwent an emergency

appendectomy last Tuesday night in the Parmer County Community Hospital, Friona.

She is reported to have been released from the hospital last Saturday morning and is now at home and doing well.

Tiffany Glasscock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mac Glasscock, was in isolation last Friday and Friday night in the hospital at Muleshoe. Her illness was diagnosed as scarlet fever. She is now at home and "feeling fine," according to her grandmother. Tiffany was chosen "Miss Baby Doll" during Bull Town Days, 1977.



DECORATIONS....Adding a touch of holiday spirit to the local scene are the annual Christmas decorations, which were installed by City of Bovina recently. If it were not for

the decorations, it would be hard to tell what season of the year it is, since the weather has been anything but winterlike as yet.



Xmas Card Project Underway Locally

"Project Christmas Card," sponsored by the Bovina Woman's Study Club, is underway. The money this year will be divided, one-half going to assist the Grace Paul Opportunity Plan and half to be held for a worthwhile local project, to be designated sometime in the future. The annual event is conducted in the financial interests of some worthy cause and to suggest to residents that there is a choice of sending cards or contributing to the fund. Persons participating simply

donate the money, or a portion thereof, that they might otherwise spend in sending Christmas cards locally.

For this donation, the names of family members will be included in the greeting published in the Christmas edition of The Bovina Blade, which reaches the majority of residents and all subscribers. The deadline for the printing of the names is Friday, Dec. 16.

You can take your contributions to the First State Bank in Bovina.

Stevensons Are Injured

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Stevenson were injured in an automobile mishap in Shallowater about noon last Sunday.

Oakley Stevenson, son of the couple, told The Blade on Tuesday afternoon that a car, occupied by three persons, ran a stop light and struck his parents' vehicle.

Taken to Lubbock's Methodist Hospital, Mrs. Stevenson is being treated for a fractured leg and nose.

She will be confined to the hospital for approximately three weeks.

Mr. Stevenson suffered a jammed neck and he is scheduled for release from the hospital in a day or two.

Texas Highway Patrolman Leslie McCuiston investigated the collision and cited the other driver, Emma Louise Robinson, for driving without a license and failure to grant the right of way.

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Reflections

From *The Blade*

20 YEARS AGO—DEC. 4, 1957
Burglars paid two Bovina businesses a visit Monday night and were successful in both break-ins. Bovina Implement Co. and Read's Gulf Service were the victims. Bovina Volunteer Fire Department answered two calls in two days, Sunday and Monday. For its third-place finish in the Littlefield District FFA leadership quiz contest, the Bovina chapter was awarded a banner at the district banquet in Littlefield Tuesday night.

15 YEARS AGO—DEC. 5, 1962
Bill Christian, Inc., developer of Bovina's new housing area, Ridgelea, will conduct a lot sale Sunday afternoon. This community was shocked and saddened last week by the accidental death of Ronnie Isham, 21, one of Bovina's most popular young men. Bovina will soon have a Spudnut Shop. Odis White, who recently bought City Cafe building, announces that he and his wife will open a Spudnut business in the location around the middle of December.

Inman Insurance from Mrs. Bob Estes.
A contract was awarded Tuesday morning to Sherrill Lumber Co. of Bovina for construction of a medical clinic here, culminating the work and dreams of Bovina citizens during the past few years.

5 YEARS AGO—DEC. 6, 1972
Funeral services for Plummer (P.D.) Barron, 85, of Bovina, were held Friday afternoon in Bovina United Methodist Church. Farmer County farmers who hadn't sold their 1972 grain sorghum crops this week were in an enviable position as the market for milo continued upward. The price quoted here Tuesday morning was \$2.60 per hundredweight, up 25 cents from last week's \$2.35. At a meeting of St. Ann's Parish Council Wednesday, Nov. 29, the council voted to sell the bell from the old St. Ann's Church. Sealed bids for the bell may be made to the church.

Fillies Win Trophy

The Bovina Fillies came away with the consolation trophy in the Springlake-Earth Tournament last weekend. Hale Center defeated the Fillies, 67-40, in their first game on Thursday. Coach Joel Nelson said, "We played real well in the first quarter, but the girls must have had a mental let-down. Hale Center has a good team. They shot a high percentage from the floor and their momentum just carried them on." In the Lazbuddie consolation game, our defense was just great. Lazbuddie was not able to score from the floor in the first quarter and made only four free throws during that period.

FIRST GAME

Hale Center	17	40	55	67
Bovina	20	26	30	40

Denise Read 25, Belinda Shelby 10.

CONSOLATION GAME

Lazbuddie	4	16	24	43
Bovina	14	30	42	65

Belinda Shelby 18, Denise Read 16, Elyse Moody 12.

Ponies Take Award

As with the Fillies, the Mustangs won consolation position in the Springlake-Earth Tournament. Coach Don Heard, in speaking about his team, said, "We had a real poor offense in the first game, but the attack in the other two was good. I was very pleased with both the offense and defense and everybody played well against the S-E varsity." "We are coming along well and more spirit and enthusiasm is being shown by the boys. We open against Hale Center in the Friona Tournament and we will be able to give them a better game."

FIRST GAME

Hale Center	13	22	36	48
Bovina	8	20	22	37

Gerald Shelby 9, Ronnie Cary 8.

SECOND GAME

S-E JV	6	14	18	32
Bovina	18	30	55	70

Ronnie Cary 16, Gerald Shelby 15, Roy Shelby 14.

CONSOLATION

S-E Varsity	11	25	35	47
Bovina	21	40	54	63

Gerald Shelby 19, Ronnie Cary 14, Roy Shelby 12.

Bovina Police Department To Enforce Speed Limits

Motorists should pay special attention to the posted speed limits in Bovina, Texas. City Marshal Jerry Atchley announced today that the Bovina Police Department has begun a renewed effort to insure all motorists comply with all traffic rules and regulations in Bovina. Of special concern to city law enforcement officials are the school zones.

School with a posted speed of 30 miles-per-hour from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., school days. Marshal Atchley advises that if a motorist is not certain whether or not it is a school day to play it safe and go the school zone speed.

Bovina presently has six school zones. One school zone is located between Avenue D and Avenue F with a 25-mile-per-hour speed limit from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., school days. Two other school zones are located on the west end of State Highway 86 near the Ridgelea Elementary

these two zones will be less stringent until better markers are provided, unreasonable driving around the high school will also result in citations.

In order to prevent serious injury to Bovina's school children, motorists are asked to obey all traffic laws.

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SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

WEEK OF DEC. 15-21
Thurs.-Fri.-Sat., Dec. 15-17 High School basketball, Friona Tournament. JV basketball, Earth JV Tournament.
Monday, December 19 Junior High School basketball, 7th and 8th grades, boys and girls, at Farwell. Starting time, 5 p.m.
Tuesday, December 20 High School basketball, at Tulia. Four games. Starting time, 5 p.m.

Calendar Of Events

WEEK OF DEC. 15-21
Thursday, December 15 Parmer County Community Services at Bovina meets at 8 p.m.
Bovina Roping Club meets, First State Bank.
Monday, December 19 Volunteer Firemen meet, fire station, 7 p.m.
Tuesday, December 20 Jaycees meet, First State Bank, 12 noon.

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O.L. Native Has Religious Album

James Symcox, a trooper with the Texas Department of Public Safety has just recorded and released a religious album. Stationed in San Marcos, Symcox exemplifies the professionalism of the Texas Highway Patrol. However, he has displayed a uniqueness—a law enforcement officer who expresses a vibrant love of God with outstanding singing ability.

Symcox' lifelong dream of singing and recording religious music became reality in June, earlier this year, when he was invited to sing for the 50th Anniversary of the Oklahoma Lane Baptist Church near Farwell, Texas, on the New Mexico border. There, as a youth, he acquired the strong religious beliefs typical of the farming communities on the High Plains. Symcox' singing talent inspired numerous requests for an album, and he received a

similar response two weeks later when he returned to sing in Childress, his first assignment as a State Trooper. It was there that the opportunity to record an album presented itself through funds contributed by a close friend.

In September, Symcox' first album was recorded at the studios of Rainbow Sound, Inc., in Dallas, Texas. Entitled "Feeling At Home," the album consists of nine songs expressing his home-grown religious background, including, "He Touched Me," "Only Jesus Can Satisfy Your Soul," and the ageless "Amazing Grace."

Symcox is performing concerts in numerous churches throughout the state, is singing and speaking before civic groups, and is planning a second album to be recorded in January.



GOOD DEFENSE.... Friona's Paul Ortiz is being closely guarded by a group of Bovina Mustangs in this bit of action from a recent game. From the left are Ronnie Cary, Gerald Shelby and Mike Read.

Council

had existed for years and was no cause for alarm. He said, however, that the SDHR requires written notice to all water customers of fluoride contents over 1.6 mg.-liter. The council voted to send out such notification on water bills in February.

Authorization was given the city manager to hire four employees under Panhandle Regional Planning Commission manpower programs. Positions authorized are: a deputy marshal, sanitation worker, housing clerk and a part-time senior citizen custodian.

The council also passed a resolution unanimously supporting General Telephone of the Southwest's request to purchase long distance equipment and facilities from Southwestern Bell.

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Firemen Investigate Two Local Fires

The Bovina Volunteer Fire Department responded recently to two calls.

On Wednesday, Nov. 30, at 11:30 a.m. eight firefighters and two pieces of equipment quickly extinguished a grass fire on Highway 86, on city property.

The second fire occurred on Sunday, Dec. 4, at 4:30 p.m. at the Parmer County Cattle Co. on U.S. Highway 60, west of Bovina. Nine men and two pieces of equipment extinguished a cattle feed fire within 30 minutes.

Quick action by employees of the feed lot in separating the burning feed from the rest of the pile prevented serious property damage.

To report a fire to the fire department, dial 238-1221. When the fire-fighter answers the phone, describe, as accurately as possible, the location and type of fire. For

example, instead of saying, "there is a fire behind Uncle Harry's house," report it by saying, "there is a large grass fire behind the James Advark house at 909 Blue Avenue." Stay on the phone after the fire alarm siren

is sounded, if possible, and wait for fire-fighters arriving at the fire station to answer the phone. Then repeat the message. This procedure will save valuable time in responding to the fire.

Mrs. Cervantez Gives Program At UMW Meet

The United Methodist Women held their regular meeting on Dec. 6.

Mrs. Pearl Cervantez was the guest speaker and her subject was, "To Serve the Christian Community." Mrs. Cervantez told of the work done through the Parmer

County Community Services at Bovina, the Amarillo Empty Stocking Fund and other charitable organizations.

A UMW spokesman said, "What Mrs. Cervantez disclosed is very interesting and we are glad the UMW has been able to help several times."

A short business session followed Mrs. Cervantez' presentation.

Attending were Mrs. Eloise Dixon, Mrs. Juanita Hastings, Mrs. Mary Richards, Mrs. Thelma Barron, Mrs. Obereta Sudderth, Mrs. Jewel Putnam, Mrs. Sue Fowler, Mrs. Pauline Caldwell, Mrs. Ethel Gipson, Mrs. Jerry Ware and Mrs. Gwen Clements.

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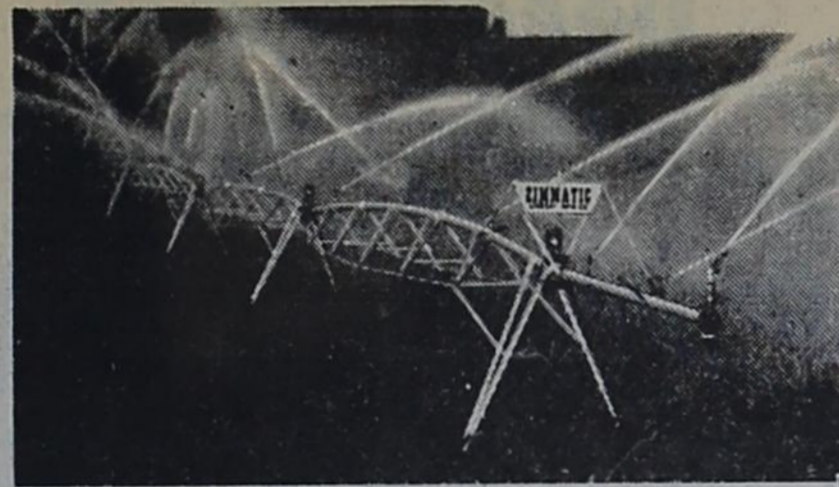
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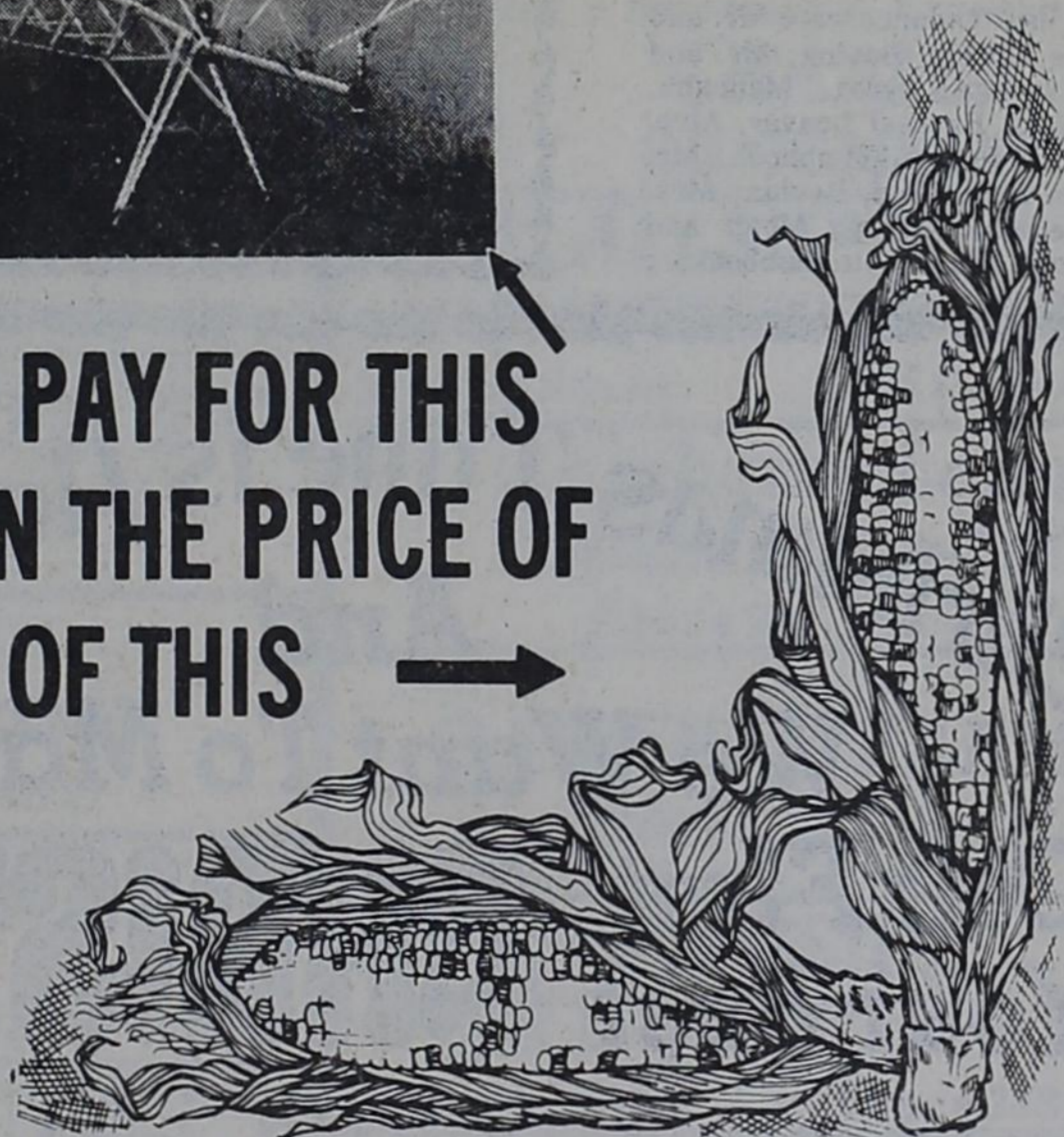
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DPS Urges Safety During Holidays

Christmas and New Year holidays should be a time for fun and happiness. For many Texans, it will mean pain, anguish and possibly death. Major C.W. Bell, Regional Commander of the Texas Department of Public Safety, said, "The greatest killer of persons on the highways of Texas this holiday season will be the inattentive, the impatient and the drunk driver."

Major Bell said, "Alcohol is the biggest holiday killer during the Christmas-New Year holiday." Bell reminds the motoring public that "alcohol is not a stimulant," but rather a depressant. Even small amounts of alcohol tends to reduce judgment, self-control, and driving ability. Coffee will not off set the effects of alcohol, only time can eliminate it from the blood stream. It takes at least one hour to oxidize one ounce of alcohol. The motorist does not have to be obviously intoxicated to be under the influence in order to become an unsafe driver.

Many accidents in Texas will be classified as one-car run off the road type. This means for some reason, be it highway hypnosis, driver inattentiveness, alcohol, drugs or mental-state, a driver loses control of his vehicle. Most of this could be avoided if the driver follows the most elementary rules of the road. Stop and rest 10 minutes out of every

hour driving time. Keep your head and eyes moving at all times, and if you are going to drink, don't drive.

In an effort to reduce the expected death toll, Major Bell said, "The DPS and Local Law Enforcement Officers will be out in full force during the holidays. Also, in cooperation with local agencies and the news media of Texas, the DPS will conduct special tabulations on fatal accidents. These fatality tabulations will be issued three times daily in an effort to focus maximum public attention on the traffic accident problem.

The Texas Department of Public Safety is encouraging all motorists to drive with their low-beam headlights on during daylight hours as well as at night. This program is called "Light the Way for a Safe Holiday." It is the Department's belief that most motorists do not intentionally violate the Law, and need only to be reminded that holiday periods are more dangerous.

Remember, Christmas and New Years is a season of joy, goodwill and happiness. Don't let an accident ruin your holiday. Don't be responsible for causing an injury or death. Our streets and highways can be safe, if the motoring public will think safe driving and drive defensively.



PLUGGING PROJECT...Mrs. Ovid Lawlis of Bovina Woman's Study Club hands a check to Jane Kassahn at First State Bank, for "Project Christmas Card," sponsored by the club. Residents have until Friday,

December 16 to donate to the fund, and have their names published on a special greeting to be included in the Christmas edition of the Bovina Blade.

Church News

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

The Memorial Fund received a gift from Mr. and Mrs. Tom Beauchamp in honor of the memory of Henry Ivy.

New members have been received into our church the last two weeks. The last Sunday in November we received Mr. and Mrs. Clare H. Stokes and Tami in full membership. On the preparatory roll we added David, Berle and Mary Katherine. The Stokes' live west of Bovina in Reagan Looney's old house.

The second family came to us from the Preston Hollow United Methodist Church, Dallas. They are: Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Williamson, 803 Third Street. Mrs. Clayton is Cindy.

Things to Talk About: Dec. 18, Golden Cross Sunday Family Night, 6 p.m.

The gift which you, as United Methodist Christians, give to the children of the Methodist Home in Waco can make the difference in the services that will be provided for more than 600 residents in 1977.

Happy Birthdays: Dec. 9, Mike Beauchamp; 10, Cap Naegle, Chris Caldwell, Jayson Grimsley, Lola Grissom; 11, Billy J. Charles; 12, Mrs. Huston Hoover, Mrs. Henry Ivy.

ST. ANN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
Masses at Bovina: Sunday morning at 8:30. Tuesday, Eucharistic service, 8 p.m.

Masses at Friona: Saturday evening at 7, Sunday morning at 10:30. Wednesday, Eucharistic service, 8 p.m.

Confession-Bovina: Penitential Rite, second Saturday of month, 8:30 p.m. Friona: Penitential Rite, third Saturday of month, 8 p.m.

Baptisms every first Sunday of month.

New series of instructions start every first Sunday of month at 8 p.m.

Servers for Dec. 18: Andres Ortiz, Kevin Koelzer, Rene Tamez. Communion Distributors, Dec. 18: Claude Tamez, Zeferino Villarreal. The Parish has received an anonymous donation of \$3,000 to be paid on the principal of Note to

Bishop. This now leaves \$2,185.95 of note to pay.

Around the Diocese: Dec. 18, 21, 23, 8 p.m. Sixth annual Christmas pageant at Holy Family Church, Nazareth.

Shower Set Dec. 16 For Miss Trimble

Miss Cathie Trimble, bride-elect of K.W. Sharp, will be honored at a shower on Dec. 16 in the Community Room of the First State Bank, from 3 to 4:30 p.m.

Hostesses for the shower will be the Mesdames Tom Caldwell, Kent Glasscock, Wendol Christian, Dennis Willard, Leon Ware, Jack Kassahn, Vernon Willard, Leslie McCain, Robert Read, Bill Read, Tom Ware and Tommy Williams. Selections may be made at The Browsable and Isaac's.

Bovinians Have Family Get-Together

The sisters and brother of Mrs. Hazel Bowers and Mrs. Maxine Hart of Bovina, enjoyed a get-together for the first time in 16 years in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bowers on Sunday, Dec. 4.

Those in attendance were Mr. and Mrs. Lee Bowers, Bovina; Mr. and Mrs. Everette Ayres, Menegha, Minn.; Mrs. Earnest Leaver, Alvo, Neb.; Mrs. Jo Renli, Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Euell Hart, Bovina; Mrs. Dean Jensus, Billings, Mont. and Mrs. Mary Lou Elliott, Lubbock.

Society Inducts Christie McCain

Christie Trimble McCain, a West Texas State University senior biology education major from Bovina, was among 67 WTSU students recently inducted into Alpha Chi, the national college honor scholarship society.

Alpha Chi is a coeducational society whose purpose is to promote academic excellence and exemplary character among college and university students and to honor those achieving such distinction.

Membership in the society is based on accomplishment, and is limited to those junior and senior students from every academic

discipline who are in the upper ten percent of their class.

Notation of membership is made on the WTSU student's diploma and also his college transcript.

Speaking at the Alpha Chi induction ceremony was WTSU President Max Sherman, former state senator from the 31st senatorial district, who discussed opportunities for advanced study.

Mrs. McCain is a member of Beta Beta Beta biology honor society, and Kappa Delta Pi education society. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C.E. Trimble of Bovina, and the wife of Ben McCain of Amarillo.

Hospital Report

ADMISSIONS-

Woody Rickerd, Hereford; Pat A. Kunselman, Bovina; Millian McLellan, Friona; Richard Malouf, Friona; S.N. Thweatt, Friona; Dale Roy Perez, Friona; Tammie Potts, Friona; Mrs. Michael Haseloff and baby girl, Farwell; Anne Shackelford, Friona; Maudie Primrose, Farwell; Camelia Wilson, Friona; Maria Castillo and baby boy, Hereford; Elvira Alvarado, Hereford; and Perfito Cordova, Friona.

PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL-

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Study Club Has Christmas Program

The Bovina Woman's Study Club met last Thursday for a Christmas program.

Mrs. Lowell Boozer and her daughter, Misty, entertained with a medley of Christmas songs, accompanied by Mrs. Mac Glasscock.

Mrs. Bobby Englant read "Apron Pocket Prayers For Christmas," by Marjorie Holmes.

Christmas tree ornaments were exchanged and gifts were brought to be given to Girlstown at Whiteface.

Christmas refreshments were served by Mrs. Leslie McCain and Mrs. Earl Richards, hostesses.

Present were: Mesdames Rouel

LUNCH MENU

WEEK OF DECEMBER 19-23

MONDAY-Meat and vegetable soup, cabbage slaw, peanut butter, cinnamon rolls, crackers, milk, orange juice.

TUESDAY-Roast beef, gravy, creamed potatoes, buttered English peas, hot rolls, butter, peanut butter cookies, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Turkey and dressing, candied sweet potatoes, green beans with cheese sauce, cranberry sauce, hot rolls, butter, fruit cup, milk.

THURSDAY-Sandwiches, lettuce and tomatoes, potato chips, ice cream, orange juice, milk.

Christmas holidays begin Friday, Dec. 23.

FFA News

By JIM RHODES

The citrus fruit came in Monday and it has all been delivered. The grapefruit and oranges were very good this year and everyone was pleased with the fruit. The chapter sold about 360 boxes. It was a very successful money-raising project for the chapter.

The Ag II and III classes are constructing two feeding barns to be used at the Ag Farm. The barns are coming along fine and hope they will be ready at the end of the week.

There are several members of the FFA who are planning to raise and show chickens this year. The chickens arrived Monday afternoon. A few Ag II members have been constructing three brooders.

The barrow program looks promising this year. There are about 78 barrows in the chapter.

The lamb program is coming along fine. The chapter has about 35 lambs this year.

The steer program has grown since the past few years. There are about 12 steers for the program this year.

We are looking forward for the shows to begin.

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FACTS By John Ricci



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Rites Conducted For Mary Ruth Martin

Mrs. Mary Ruth Martin, 64, of Bovina died at 6 a.m. Wednesday, December 7 in Wilbarger General Hospital in Vernon, Texas. Mrs. Martin was preceded in death by her husband, the late A.M. Martin in 1956.

Mrs. Martin was born in Odell, Texas and later moved to Littlefield but settled in Bovina where she was a resident for 25 years. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Bovina and was an Eastern Star.

Mrs. Martin was secretary for the City of Bovina from September 1962, to April, 1976.

Services were at the First Baptist Church in Bovina Friday at 3 p.m. Officiating were the Reverends Derrel Lewis and James Putnam. Burial was in the Bovina Cemetery under the direction of Parsons-Ellis Funeral Home.

Mrs. Martin is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Tom Ware and Mrs. Lawrence Jamerson, both of Bovina, and one son, Mr. Dick Martin, also of Bovina, three sisters, Mrs. Anna M. Starr of Rosemead,



MRS. MARY RUTH MARTIN

Ca., Mrs. Ada Bell of Vernon, Texas, and Mrs. Etta Childress of McKinney, Texas.

Also surviving are three brothers, J.C. Shelton of Odell, Texas, Darrell Shelton of Vernon, Texas and Holloway Shelton of Lubbock, nine grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Obituaries

Services Held Here For Chess Woltmon

Funeral services for Chess D. Woltmon, 81, of Bovina, were held Monday afternoon at the First Baptist Church, with the Rev. Derrel Lewis and the Rev. J.J. Terry officiating.

Burial was in Bovina Cemetery under the direction of Parsons-Ellis Funeral Home, Friona.

Woltmon died at 1:15 a.m. Saturday at Deaf Smith General Hospital in Hereford.

The Floyd County native lived in California for 23 years before moving to Bovina, where he lived for 13 years. Woltmon was a retired civil service worker and an Army veteran of World War II. He married Jessie Williams March 28, 1968, in Farwell.

Survivors include his wife; six daughters, Mrs. Violet Lynn and Mrs. Betty Cross, both of Clovis,

N.M.; Mrs. Maxine McIntyre of Fair Oaks, Calif.; Mrs. Jerri Edwards of Longview, Wash.; Mrs. Pat Vail of Orangeville, Calif.; Mrs. Jean Allen of North Highlands, Calif.; five sons, Leroy of Woodland, Calif.; Jay of Citrus Heights, Calif.; James of San Jose, Calif.; Tom of Fair Oaks, Calif.; and Donald of Glenn Burnie, Md.; two stepdaughters, Mrs. Ilene Burnam of Dimmitt and Mrs. Avis Bradshaw of Lubbock; a stepson, Tommy Williams of Bovina; two sisters, Mrs. Bessie Davies of Bovina and Mrs. Jessie Kyle of Eldorado Springs, Mo.; two brothers, A.J. of San Jon, N.M. and Jack of Bovina; 42 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren.

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Jr. Teams Play S-E

Bovina's seventh and eighth grade girls engaged Springlake-Earth on December 5 and lost both basketball contests.

The seventh graders forced S-E into triple overtime before bowing, 18-16. Lisa Shepherd scored 12 points and Lynette Bentley garnered 4 for Bovina.

In the eighth grade tussle, the local team couldn't get untracked as they fell to superior forces, 37-15.

Connie Shelby led her team with 12 points and Rebecca Espinoza contributed 2.

Bovina teams split a pair of varsity games with visiting Friona here last Tuesday. The Fillies made it two out of two against the Squaws with a 60-53 win, and the Mustangs gave strong Friona a tussle before submitting by a 68-61 score.

The Squaws and Fillies had a good, hard game, with the Bovina team never trailing, although Friona kept the pressure on the winners. The situation was exactly reversed in the boys' game.

In a close first quarter, Bovina girls finally prevailed at the buzzer, 13-10.

The Fillies got the first three points of the second quarter for their longest lead at that point, 16-10. But Rhonda Parsons canned a jump shot, Tammy Schmidt scored from outside, and Varla Welch made two free throws to bring Friona to within a basket at 18-16.

Bovina again took its six-point lead, but Miss Parsons converted two free throws and Miss Schmidt clicked on a jumper to keep it close at 20-22 with 4:24 left in the half.

At this point, the Squaws missed two or three chances to tie the game and perhaps take the lead, as they couldn't seem to get a shot to fall.

Denise Read broke a short scoring drought for Bovina with a pair of free throws, and two quick baskets by the home team shot them into an eight-point lead at 28-20.

A free throw by Belinda Shelby with 58 seconds to go in the half gave Bovina a nine-point edge, but Miss Parsons scored 30 seconds later to keep Friona within seven at halftime, 35-28.

The Fillies had a great start in the third quarter, scoring 12 points in

four minutes. And the Squaws would just as soon forget their part. Net result was a 47-30 Bovina lead. Only four baskets by Miss Parsons in the remaining clock time kept Bovina from making a shambles of the game.

As it was, Bovina had a 51-39 lead entering the fourth quarter.

The Squaws fought gamely. Miss Parsons sank a jump shot, scored a lay-in, followed up a missed shot and scored another lay-in after Friona stole the ball, as Friona outscored Bovina 8-1 and trimmed their lead to 52-47.

Both teams lost starters due to fouls in a closely-called game. Sandi Sides, who started at guard for Bovina, moved to the forward end after Belinda Shelby fouled out.

Miss Sides sank a crucial field goal, Bovina's first two-pointer of the fourth quarter, to interrupt the Friona drive and put her team back in front by seven points, 54-47.

Miss Parsons kept her rally going with a free throw, and Cindy Cleveland sank a jump shot from the free throw line for a 54-50 deficit with 3:56 remaining in the game.

Miss Sides made it two out of two, and Miss Read sank four free throws for Bovina, to give their team a 60-50 lead with 2:51 to play.

That turned out to be more than Friona could overcome, although the visitors scored the final three points of the game.

Belinda Shelby with 22 points and Denise Read with 23 points were the big guns for the Fillies, who won their fifth game of the season against three losses.

FILLIES 13 35 51 60

Friona 10 28 39 53

Pat Shepherd 5-1-11; Belinda Shelby 9-4-22; Denise Read 6-11-23; Sandi Sides 2-0-4. Guards: Kim Naegle, Diane Gilbreath, Claudia Chisom, Carol Ware, Sandi Sides.

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The Mustangs, with Ronnie Cary back in the lineup, played the Chieftains a much closer game than their first meeting at Friona, in which the Chiefs stormed to a 72-38 win.

Bovina never led in the game, but they kept coming back and making it close for the Chiefs, who just never could put the game out of reach.

The fast-breaking Chieftains got baskets from Jon Jarecki and one by Leslie White to take a ten-point lead at 18-8.

After leading by eight at the quarter, 20-12, Friona regained their ten-point spread at 22-12 and 24-14 but Bovina kept nipping away at the lead. Friona had a nine-point edge at 33-24, but the Ponies outscored Friona 5-2 to trail by only six at the half, 35-29.

Bovina cut the margin to four points momentarily in the third quarter, but Friona responded on baskets by Bandy and Kothmann to take their 10-point lead back, and Leslie White's follow shot gave the team its longest lead at 47-35.

Every time it appeared Bovina was out of it, they would rally. With 4:27 to play, Bovina had cut Friona's margin to a basket at 56-54. Ronnie Cary's shot made it close.

But the Chieftains were equal to the challenge. Jeff Whiteside scored a big basket inside four minutes to halt the Bovina rally, and in a minute's time, Bandy canned a jump shot and made two free throws around a lay-in by Jeff Peak which shot Friona back into command.

Cagers Entered In Friona Tournament

Bovina basketball teams will participate in the Friona Invitational Tournament Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week.

Both teams are paired against teams from Hale Center in Thursday's opening round.

The Fillies and Owlettes kick off the tournament schedule with a game at 10 a.m. Thursday, followed by the Mustang-Owis tilt.

The Fillies and Hale Center girls met last week in the Springlake tournament, with Hale Center coming out on top, 67-40.

"We're definitely not in the 'easy' portion of the bracket. If we should beat Hale Center, which would

take a top effort, we would play the winner of the Vega-Tulia game," said Fillies coach Joel Nelson.

The same holds true for the Mustangs, as they will face either Tulia or Vega, in a semi-final or consolation

semi-final round game.

If the girls win, they play at 4 p.m. Friday. If they lose, they play at 10 a.m. The boys would play either at 5:30 p.m. or 11:30 a.m.

Other teams in the tournament are from Far-

well, Dumas, Hedley and the host Friona teams.

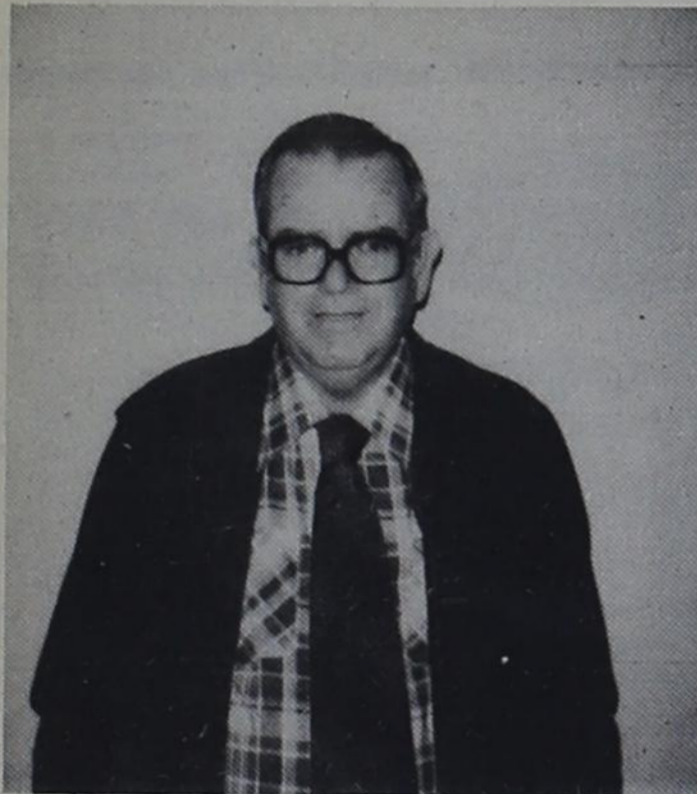


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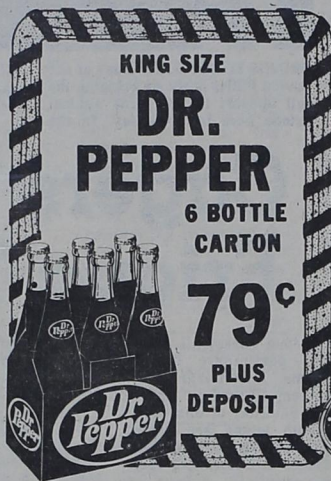
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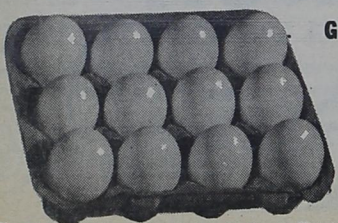
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