

"MY TURN"

By
Carol Ellis



THE ANNUAL family vacation trip is one of those eagerly awaited joys of summertime. It is the time when you pack up just about everything you own and head down the road as your yearly attempt to "get away from it all."

When you get out the map to plan your route, you will be faced with some decisions. The thick red lines indicate roads filled with heavy traffic. The thick blue lines are roads filled with towns, and subsequently, stop lights. The thin dotted lines are roads filled with cows and slow-moving farm vehicles.

Whichever road you plan to take is undoubtedly going to be under construction anyway, with long delays that over-heat your auto, hot sticky tar to coat your fenders, and loose gravel to destroy our windshields.

By the time you reach the edge of Parmer County, your kids will have played all the games you packed for them, colored up all the coloring books, eaten all the cookies and snacks, and have begun asking the age-old kid question, "How long until we get there?" It is then when you realize that for the rest of the 1,800 mile trip, their little tummies will never be full and their little bladders will never be empty.

Do you remember when you could pull into a "service" station and four or five attendants would come trotting out to greet you as you eased your car up to the pumps? They'd wash your windshield, air your tires, check under your hood, make suggestions regarding the replacement of worn-out thing-a-majigs (whether they needed replaced or not). Then they would give you a free china dinner plate just to make sure you'd want to come back to receive the rest of your set of free dishes.

Well, nobody does that anymore. The only person interested in looking under the hood of your car is the customs agent on the bridge between Juarez and El Paso. The result of all this automotive disinterest is that the underside of your car can completely rot away without your knowledge. And the vehicle knows when you are getting ready to go on a trip. It is just waiting for the most inopportune moment to pull something weird.

We small-town rural folks are sort of like fish out of water when we get into one of those mega-metropolis cities. Nine times out of ten, this is where your trusty vehicle is going to get real devious. Last summer we were tooting around New Orleans on a sultry Saturday evening. One kid rolled down the back window to lean out and have a closer look at some tourist attraction. Suddenly we had a powerless "power" window which wouldn't go back up.

Our car spent Saturday night in a motel parking lot in the middle of New Orleans with the back window open and none of us slept very well that night. Did you ever try to get a big city mechanic to come out on Sunday morning to help you close your car window?

Travel can be broadening. Man (or woman) cannot live by Big Mac alone. Kids can, of course, but you'll probably want to sample the popular local delicacy of whatever area you are visiting. It's scrod on the East Coast and sushi in California. (Sounds like some sort of disease requiring lots of scratching and antibiotics, doesn't it?) Poi in Hawaii, bread pudding in Louisiana, sausage and biscuits in Tennessee, apple chutney in Washington and, of course, mountain oysters in Texas. You may have to buy an entire wardrobe of larger size clothing when you get back home.

Fortunately you won't be able to get any expensive mementos from those tourist trap joints along the way because you packed in everything except the kitchen sink, remember? So instead of buying

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1989 ALL-STAR TOURNAMENT CHAMPS....Pictured at the Muleshoe Tournament on July 10-14 are (back row, left-right) Cruz Marrufo, Roel Garza, Lance McClaran, Blake Rundell and Alberto Gomez. In the front row (l-r) Hector Villa (assistant coach), Andy Espinoza, Henry Renteria, Kevin Mitchell, Rene Villa, Danny Saiz, Jr. and Danny Saiz, manager.

Board Okays New Gym On Split Vote

Among the main items considered by the Bovina Board of Education at its regular meeting on Monday, July 10 was the discussion of bids for construction of a new gymnasium project for the school.

Joe Grimes met with the board to present the bids on the project and discuss them with the board.

After much discussion, Mike Beauchamp made the motion to accept Brown-McKee's bid of

\$192,000 on the project. Dennis Willard seconded the motion.

The motion passed by a 4-3 vote. Those voting for the motion were Willard, Roach, Mitchell and Beauchamp. Voting against were Steelman, Hodnett and Whitten.

The board is planning to construct the new gymnasium with funds derived from part of the Bovina School District's share of the Permanent School Funds, which have been held by the county commissioners.

The proceeds from the fund can only be used for capital improvements or for debt retirement.

In other business the board voted to hire Tony McGowan as band director for Bovina Schools, Lou Ann McGowan as elementary teacher, Shelly Bean as an elementary teacher, and James Nau as a coach.

A motion was passed to accept amendments to the school's 1989-90 budget.

A motion was passed to table the adoption of "Update No. 34" of the TASB Policies until the next board meeting.

Youngsters Qualify For Finals

Kody Wilson and Amber Willard were two of the three youngsters from the T-Minus 10 Track team who qualified at the regional Athletic Congress Junior Olympic Track Meet in Tucson, Arizona, last weekend for the National Junior Olympic meet in Spokane, Washington, on July 29-30.

Kody is the son of Gregg and Brenda Wilson and Amber is the daughter of Dennis and Tammy Willard. Lupito Garza of Farwell was one of the three who also qualified for the national event.

Kody qualified in two events. He was third in the long jump with a jump of 4.17 meters and he was third in the 400 meter run with a time of 1:01.7. He was fourth in the 200 meter.

Nine year old Amber was third in the high jump with a jump of 3-8.

Garza was second in the shot put with a throw of 37-0.

Randy Harrison of Texico is the youngsters' coach and expressed his appreciation for their accomplishments as well as the entire team. He said they were accepting donations to help the three go to the Nationals.

A few weeks ago, Kody entered the 13th Annual Texas Classic John McGuire Memorial Track Meet and set a record in the long jump, 16.03 1/4.

Garage Sale Set By PTA

The PTA will be sponsoring a garage sale on August 18. It is not for sure as to the place for the garage sale but that will be announced later.

If you have items you want to donate you can call either of these ladies: Connie Garza, 238-1102; Ella Jo Stormes, 225-6313; or Alice Stone at 238-1186.



STAR MARKS BOVINA....Kody Wilson is pictured holding a T-shirt that Edna Scott made for all five members of his family. Kody was one of three youngsters from the T-Minus 10 Track team who qualified at the regional Athletic Congress Junior Olympic Track Meet in Tucson recently. Kody's parents are Gregg and Brenda Wilson.

Local Youngsters Pace 4-H Shooters

On June 24, several young men in the community entered the County 4-H Shoot. Those placing were: John Stormes, first in the sub-jr. trap; and Jason Thomas placed second.

In the junior trap, Andy Stormes placed first; Brett Thomas placed second; and Shane Branson placed third.

In skeet, Andy Stormes placed first; Shane Branson, second and Brett Thomas, third.

In the overall shoot, Andy Stormes placed first; Brett Thomas and Shane Branson tied for second.

The Parmer County team placed second in the District Two 4-H Trap Shoot, which was held in Lubbock on July 7-8.

The Parmer County Junior three-man team consisting of Andy Stormes, Brett Thomas and Shane

Branson was second in skeet and third in trap.

Andy Stormes took first in trap, first in skeet and overall high point. He won three Montana Silversmith belt buckles. He shot a perfect 25 straight in skeet.

The sub-juniors competing were John Stormes and Jason Thomas.

On July 21 and 22, Andy Stormes and John Stormes shot in the Midland District six-man shoot. Andy took fifth in skeet, second in trap and second and shot 25 straight in trap.

Andy competed in a new shooting sport called "Sporting Clays," which is a course set up to resemble a hunting field. He had never shot this before and he tied for third place with two others. He won the shoot-off, coming in third.

Beet Sugar Leaders Testify In Congress

A spokesman for the United States beet sugar industry testified before the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Agriculture at a hearing where farm lawmakers reviewed the status of federal programs currently operating under the Food Security Act of 1985.

Craig Anderson, a sugarbeet farmer from Longmont, Colorado and past president of Mountain States Beet Growers Marketing Association, pledged continued industry cooperation on behalf of the more than 100,000 beet sugar growers, processor employees and their families as the committee prepares general farm legislation to reauthorize programs set to expire in 1990.

"This committee has skillfully designed and the Congress has

strongly supported the current U.S. Sugar Program. Our nation's sugar policy has worked well and is absolutely essential to the future of the domestic beet sugar industry," Anderson said in testimony to the committee.

Anderson pointed out that all major sugar-producing and consuming nations continue to maintain some form of protection and price stabilization for their sugar industries and consumers.

Commenting on multi-lateral negotiations currently underway in Geneva aimed at eliminating measures that distort free and fair trade, he noted that "domestic sugar producers were the first commodity group to endorse an administration proposal to rid the world of tariff and non-tariff barriers to the international trade in agriculture."

"Insofar as sugar is concerned," Anderson stated, "we believe the best signal we can send our negotiators in Geneva is a comprehensive and strong domestic sugar program that will sustain a viable domestic sugar industry until such time as all others are prepared to abandon their predatory trade practices."

The committee also heard testimony supporting U.S. sugar policy from Jack Nelson, president of the Rio Grande Valley Sugar Growers and a sugarcane farmer from Santa Rosa, Texas.

The House Committee resumed its Washington hearings with additional witnesses from other agricultural and related groups appearing. Secretary of Agriculture Clayton Yeutter testified before the committee on July 19, to present administration views.

Dennis Printz, Hereford's agricultural manager, said, "Our grower partners, along with Holly Sugar, generate approximately 120 million dollars into the Panhandle economy. Our crop is currently average, to a little above, and with good disease-free growing conditions harvest should begin by late September."

Youths Set Car Wash

The Methodist young people will be having a car wash on Saturday, July 29 from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

The charge for cleaning vehicles inside and out will be \$5 for cars and pickups and \$7 for vans.

Money raised at the car wash will be used for expenses on their trip to Angel Fire, New Mexico.

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UNCLE AUSTIN SAYS: If a man deceives me once, shame on him; if he deceives me twice, shame on me.

Bandy Is Certified Hunting Instructor

Don Bandy has been certified as a Hunter Education Instructor and will be giving classes for those interested.

"According to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's mandatory requirements, starting September 1, 1989, those persons whose date of birth is during the

period September 2, 1971 through August 31, 1973, must have successfully completed the course in order to hunt in Texas," Bandy commented.

Effective September 1, 1990, the age group affected will be those whose date of birth is during the period September 2, 1971 through August 31, 1974 and so on. By September 1, 1993, all hunters born on or after September 2, 1971, must have successfully completed the course to hunt in Texas. However, any individual may take the course on a voluntary basis and is encouraged to attend regardless of requirements," according to Bandy.

"The course is open to adults and youngsters and will include instructions in rifle, shotgun and bow hunting handling and safety; outdoor responsibility and ethics; laws and regulations; conservation; hunting traditions; wildlife identification; field care of game; wilderness first aid and survival," Bandy added.

Students 12 years of age or older successfully completing the course will be issued a hunter education certification from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. Those less than 12 years of age will receive a certificate of attendance, but must take the course again for proper certification.

More than 160,000 Texans have already completed the hunter education course which is mandatory in 39 states.

For more information, contact Don Bandy at the Bovina Restaurant, 238-1692, or the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's Hunter Education section in Austin at 1-800-792-1112 or (512) 389-4999.

Bandy will be conducting classes sometime in August and it will span two or three days. The course is ten hours long.



40TH ANNIVERSARY....Raymond and Lorna Schueler of the Rhea community will be celebrating their 40th wedding anniversary with a reception hosted by their children on July 30 from 2-5 p.m. (CDST) in the Rhea-Hollene Community Center (located 22 miles northwest of Friona on Highway 1731). Hosting the occasion are Shirley Schueler of Clovis, N.M., Dale and Donna Schueler, Mitch and Kathy Terry and Gene and Holly Schueler, all of the Rhea community. All friends and relatives of the couple are invited to attend. No gifts, please.

Summer League BB Is Now Underway

Here is the tournament schedule for the summer basketball league.

Monday, July 24, 6 p.m. Yellow v. Black; 7:30 p.m. Blue v. White; 9 p.m. Celtics v. Lakers.

Tuesday, July 25, 7:30 p.m. Pistons v. Suns; 9 p.m. Green v. Red.

Wednesday, July 26, championship game for boys in grades 8 and 9 this fall. The winner of the Celtics-Lakers game will play the winner of the Pistons-Suns game at 6 p.m.

At 7 p.m. the winner of the Green-Red game will play the Maroon team.

At 9 p.m. the winner of the Blue-White game will play the winner of the Black-Yellow game.

The championship game for students going into grades 10, 11 and 12 will be played at 8 p.m. on Thursday, July 27 at 8 p.m.

Last week's league results are:

July 12

Maroon edged past Black 75-74. Scoring for Maroon were: Chad Byrd, 25; Kevin Barnett, 22; Chris Hill, 21; Ryan Williams, 6; Sammy Herrera, 2. Scoring for Black were: Corey Kirkpatrick, 30; Michael Day, 20; Brady Pool, 12; Cain Neal and Corey Mitchell, 5 each; Shannon Pool, 2.

The Lakers beat the Celtics 48-26. Scoring for the Lakers were: Jimmy Lowe, 22; Corey Horner, 8; Ryan Null, 7; Fabian Garcia, 4; Rob Pomper, 3; Eric Delgado and Allen Kostered, 2 each. Scoring for the Celtics were: Craig Russell, 8; Eric Williams, 6; Shawn Haseloff and Mark Chandler, 4 each; Dean Rubio and Tyrone Gooden, 2 each.

Red beat Yellow 80-67. Scoring for Red were: John Betts, 21; Chad Davis, 19; Randy Byrd and Jeremy Williams, 18 each; and Dicky Sosa, 4. Scoring for Yellow were: Shawn Stewart, 21; Pepe Gonzales, 18; Dwayne Hamilton, 14; Matthew Williams, 9; Chad Dunsworth, 5.

July 13

The Pistons beat the Suns 62-36. Scoring for the Pistons were: Lupito Garza and Roger Billingsley, 14 each; Leland Brockman, 12; Jeremy Ortiz, 7; Jeff Lynn and Mario Zamora, 6 each; Clint Austin, 3. Scoring for the Suns were: Kelvin Gooden, 18; Louie Delgado, 9; Regan Williams, 4; Clay Corn, 3; and Anthony 2.

White beat Red 87-83. Scoring for White were: Brett Pylant and Brian Bush, 21 each; Rodney Reynolds and Brett Patrick 17 each; Adrian Smith, 11. Scoring for Red were: Jeremy Williams, 28; John Betts, 22; Randy Byrd, 17; Chad Davis, 12; Dicky Sosa, 4.

Green beat Maroon 97-65. Scoring for Green were: Monty Delgado, 35; Scott Scuff, 25; Michael Williams, 17; Eddie Zamora, 12; Rusty Venable, 8. Scoring for Maroon were: Chris Hill, 20; Kevin Barnett, 18; Ryan Williams, Michael Arce and Wes Frazee, 7 each; Chad Byrd, 6.

July 17

Black beat Blue 76-69. Scoring for Black were: Chad Davis, 17; Michael Day and Cain Neal, 16; Pepe Gonzales, 8; Mario Zamora, 7; Dennis Martix, 6; Michael Lovett and Dustin Martin, 3 each. Scoring for Blue were: Kenny Shaw, 20; Dustin Hardage, 19; Matt Cozby, 10; Monte Foster, 6; Casey Russell and Cody Monk, 5 each; Randy Stone, 4.

The Suns beat the Celtics 56-40. Scoring for the Suns were: Louie Delgado, 18; Kelvin Gooden, 16; Anthony Garcia, 8; Clay Corn, 6; Brandon Kirkland and Regan Williams, 3 each, and Derrick Haseloff, 2. Scoring for the Celtics were: Craig Russell, 18; Mark Chandler, 9; Shawn Haseloff, 6; Fabian Garcia, 4; Dean Rubio, 2, and Tyrone Gooden, 1.

Maroon inched past Yellow 87-85. Scoring for Maroon were: Kevin Barnett, 25; Kenny Shaw, 24; Chad Davis, 13; Ryan Williams, 12; Michael Arce, 7; Kade Kent, 4; Clint White, 2. Scoring for Yellow were: Dwayne Hamilton, 38; Doug Barns, 24; Pepe Gonzales, 10; Matt Williams, 6; Chad Dunsworth, 4; Chad Davis, 2; Casey Bradshaw, 1.

July 18

The Pistons beat the Lakers 50-45. Scoring for the Pistons were: Lupito Garza, 18; Leland Brockman, 10; Mario Zamora, 9; Clint Austin, 4; Jeremy Ortiz, 1. Scoring for the Lakers were: Ryan Null, 13; Corey Horner, 12; Fabian Garcia, 9; Rob Pomper, 5; Eric Delgado, 4; Brent Harrison, 2.

White beat Green 76-72. Scoring for White were: Brett Pylant, 21; Kevin King, 18; Rodney Reynolds, 14; Brett Patrick, 12; Adrian Smith, 5; Brian Bush, 4; Sammy Herrera, 2. Scoring for Green were: Michael Williams, 23; Monty Delgado, 19; Darren Haseloff, 16; Dale Rubio, 6; Paul Williams, Eddie Zamora, Andy Storms, and Frank Gonzales, 2 each.

Black stopped Red 87-64. Scoring for Black were: Kenny Shaw, 31; Michael Day, 19; Shannon Pool, Brady Pool, 11; Michael Lovett, 5; Dennis Martin and Cain Neal, 4 each. Scoring for Red were: John Betts, 26; Randy Byrd and Jeremy Williams, 10 each; Dicky Sosa, 11; Chad Davis, 5 and Kade Kent, 2.

REFLECTIONS

....from The Bovina Blade

30 YEARS AGO—JULY 29, 1959

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Wilborn visited several weeks ago in Wichita, Kansas, with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Hollaway and children, Richard and Debra.

Mrs. Loucile Foster arrived home Monday from two weeks in California. Accompanying a niece and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Williams, Mrs. Foster visited with friends there.

Visiting Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A.R. McCutchan were Mr. and Mrs. John Fielder of Dimmitt.

25 YEARS AGO—JULY 29, 1964

Alexander Orlovsky, 17-year-old youth from West Berlin, Germany, is the third exchange student in Bovina. He will make his home for the next year with Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Charles and family.

Miss Margaret Jo Venable,

Sheriff's Report

On July 14, Travis Lambert, 24, last known address, De Soto, Mo., has been arraigned and charged with attempted capital murder. Bond is set at \$150,000, pending grand jury action.

On July 14, Christine Barela, 29, Bovina, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of theft by worthless check. She pled guilty before County Judge Porter Roberts and was ordered to pay a fine, court costs and restitution.

On July 17, Jose Garcia, 18, of Bovina, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of burglary of a habitation. Bond is set at \$500 pending grand jury action.

Around The House

By ROCHELLE WHITE
Parmer County Extension Agent
Home Economics

The height of food preservation season will soon be upon us. This year, homemakers will want to be aware of new research from the USDA-funded Center for Excellence in Home Food Preservation at Penn State University. To insure the safety of home-canned products, these new USDA guidelines should be followed.

To insure your health and specifically to prevent the risk of botulism, low-acid and tomato foods not canned according to the new USDA recommendations should be boiled before eating even if you detect no signs of spoilage. Boil food for ten minutes at altitudes below 1000 feet. Add an additional minute of boiling time for each additional 1000 feet elevation.

Therefore, if you have a canned low-acid or tomato product, you should boil it for a total of 14 minutes because the elevation of Parmer County is from 3800-4100 feet.

There are a variety of changes in the new USDA guidelines. In these new recommendations separate times are given for dial gauge and weighted gauge pressure canners.

Processing times are also given for varying altitudes. This is important because Parmer County is among the high altitude area. This measure insures more accurate preservation and tremendously lowers the risk of unsafe food products.

It is recommended to sterilize jars if they will be processed less than ten minutes in the boiling water bath. To sterilize empty jars, put them right side up on the rack in a boiling-water canner. Fill the canner and jars with hot (not boiling) water to one inch above the tops of the jars. Boil 14 minutes at our altitude. Remove and drain hot sterilized jars one at a time. Then complete the canning process. If processed by pressure canning, sterilization of jars is not mandatory.

If you would like to receive a series of educational letters throughout the summer months on the new USDA guidelines, or for more information, please call Rochelle White at the Parmer County Extension Office (481-3619) or write to her at P.O. Box 285, Farwell, Texas 79325.

daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elton Venable, underwent plastic surgery Tuesday morning at St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo. Miss Venable was injured in an automobile accident several months ago.

20 YEARS AGO—JULY 30, 1969

W.M. Decker, chairman of the board, and J.W. Smith, president of the Bank of the Southwest, Amarillo, announce the election of Gabe D. Anderson, Jr. of Bovina to the bank's board of directors.

Mrs. Elmer Stark, the former Dottie Quicquel, and her son and daughter, Sabra and Kervin, visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. I.W. Quicquel last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A.R. McCutchan recently hosted the McCutchan family reunion at their cabin on Lake Vallcito at Bayfield, Colorado.

15 YEARS AGO—JULY 31, 1974

Ted King, son of Mr. and Mrs. D.T. King of Bovina and a standout halfback on the Friona Chieftains' 1973 football squad, is one of the top high school players from Texas and Oklahoma selected to play in the 25th Annual Greenbelt Bowl Classic slated for 8 p.m. Saturday, August 10, in Fair Park Stadium at Childress.

Billy Shelby, Bovina's two time all-state tailback-linebacker, has signed a letter of intent to play football at McMurry College in Abilene, according to information received here from Head Coach Don Newsom.

10 YEARS AGO—JULY 25, 1979

Mark D. Gunnels, Bovina High school principal, has resigned to take a similar position at Stinnett.

A severe thunderstorm swept across Parmer County this past Monday evening causing damage to some crops in the area. There were reports of over three inches of rain and golfball-sized hail in some parts of the area.

A new business, Plants Plus, has opened its doors for business. It will be run by Sue Fowler and her son, Robert. Grand opening was last weekend.

L.M. Grissom received an award for 45 years of service to Bovina Wheat Growers at last Friday's annual meeting.

5 YEARS AGO—AUGUST 1, 1984

Don and Gladys Spring are now open for business in their new photography studio located at Don's Medicine Chest.

Steve Pierson suffered injuries in a motorcycle accident that put him in the hospital for surgery to correct his problems.

Rouel and Thelma Barron will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception held in their honor August 12.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Nelson will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception in their honor at Uvalde, Texas. They lived in Bovina several years.

Courthouse Notes

Instrument Report Ending June 23, 1989 in County Clerk's Office, Bonnie Warren, County Clerk

WD, Housing & Urban Development, Danny Martin, all of Lot 16, part of Lots 14, 15, Blk. 43, Farwell

WD, First National Bank, Charles Noland Trust, Sec. 2, Brown Sub. Surv. 2, Blk. K-12, Gregg County School Lands

WD, Hanna Malouf, Reata Land Company, Lots 1-11, Blk. 2, Lots 1-26, Blk. 3, Lots 1-15, Blk. 4, Lots 1-13, Blk. 7, Lots 1-13, Blk. 6, Lot 14, Blk. 6, Lakeview Add., Friona

WD, Joe Jones, Donnie Gustin, a tract off the NE corner of Lot 29, all Lots 30-32, Blk. 58, Farwell

WD, Armstrong Kerr, Hoyt Lawson, an 80x140 ft. tract out of the NE 1/4 of Sec. 1, T3S;R3E

WD, Johnny Martinez, Bernabe DeLaCruz, Jr., all of Lot 2, Blk. 59, Bovina

MARRIAGE LICENSES
Kevin Akers and Elizabeth Pike, Curtis Drager and Shirley Kessler.
Shannon Fortune and Roberta Hargus.
Luther Pinkston and Cindy Walls.



LINDA DYBDAHL and DEL RAY SUDDERTH....Mr. and Mrs. Duane Dybdahl of Austin announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Linda, to Del Ray Sudderth, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenden Sudderth of Bovina. The wedding will be held October 7 at Redeemer Lutheran Church, 1500 West Anderson Lane, Austin, at 7 p.m. All relatives and friends are invited. She is a sales representative for CompuAdd Corporation and he is a sales representative for Hamilton-Avnet Corporation in Austin.

MS Bike Tour Is Held In Panhandle

The Panhandle Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society's Second Annual MS Wild West 150 Bike Tour will be held Saturday and Sunday, July 29 and 30. This is a two-day event beginning in Amarillo and ending at the Salt Fork of the Red River near the Oklahoma State line.

Everyone, regardless of his/her biking experience, is encouraged to ride in the tour. There is a \$20 entry fee and everyone must collect a minimum of \$150 in pledges in order to participate.

The tour is open to individuals and teams. Teams are composed of four or more cyclists. Funds raised help scientists nationally to research the cause and cure of Multiple Sclerosis and help provide patient services in the Panhandle area.

MS strikes the central nervous system of young adults between the ages of 20 and 50, causing difficulty in walking, talking and seeing. Over 250,000 Americans have this debilitating disease, with 200 new cases being diagnosed each week.

Over 90 tours are conducted by chapters of the Multiple Sclerosis Society throughout the year across the United States. Help us reach our goal of 300 riders this year.

For more information about the "Amarillo To The Salt Fork of The Red River Bike Tour," write the Panhandle Chapter at 1416 W. 8th, Amarillo, Texas 79101 or telephone the Chapter office at (806) 372-4429.

Patricia Ann Fowler, wife of a former pastor, the Rev. J.B. Fowler, died Wednesday, July 12, at her home in Amarillo.

Committal services were held on Friday, July 14 in Memory Garden Cemetery and memorial services followed in St. Paul United Methodist Church. The Rev. Keith Wiseman, pastor, and the Rev. Bobby McMillan, district superintendent of Big Spring, officiated at both services.

The Fowlers served the Bovina Methodist Church from 1965 until 1970, during which time the present sanctuary was built. Pat had been secretary to the pastor of St. Paul's Church for five years prior to her death.

Survivors are her husband and two children, Rebecca Ann Ford of Canyon and Douglas Fowler of Dallas; her mother, Leveta Mae Counts of Amarillo; and a brother, Bennie Joel Counts of Orange, Texas.

The family requests memorials be made to the Pat Fowler Scholarship Fund at St. Paul United Methodist Church, 4317 I-40 West, Amarillo, 79106.

Rick and Rhonda Bentley are the parents of a baby boy, Adam Vincent, born July 14 at 8:14 p.m. at Deaf Smith County Hospital, Hereford.

The infant weighed seven pounds, ten ounces and measured twenty-two inches long.

Grandparents are Paul and Donna Spears of Roswell, New Mexico and Dave and Geneva Bentley of Friona.

Grandparents are Ed Korngay of Hobbs, New Mexico and Ella Mae Wilkerson of Friona.

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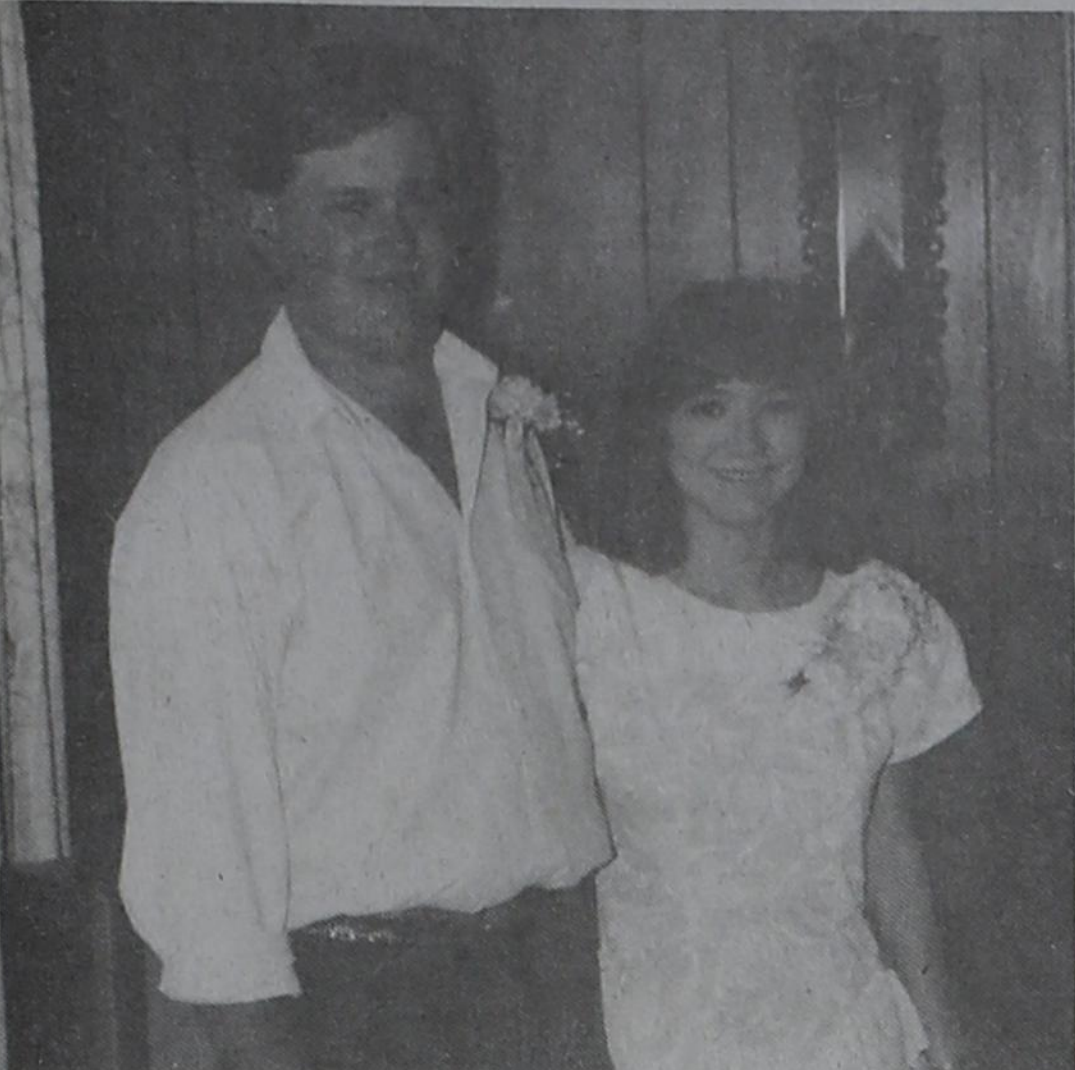
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MR. and MRS. CHUCK TEAGUE....Chuck Teague of Bovina and Susan Padilla of Clovis exchanged wedding vows Saturday, July 8 at 2 p.m. in the home of the groom's parents, Charlie and Molly Teague. Officiating was Justice of the Peace Bonnie Clayton. A reception followed. Chuck is employed at the Highway Department and Susan works at First Savings Bank in Clovis. The couple resides in Bovina at 400 Avenue K.



Scooter's Scoops

By Scooter Russell



Three mornings this week we have had showers and total rainfall was one-half an inch, according to Maggie Moore. The week began on Monday with cool temperatures and mountain type showers... We were told some tourists from New Jersey stopped at Charles Oil Company for fuel and asked, "What are those huge white things?" They were told, "Grain elevators"... Be careful picking your garden. Vi Hutto was gathering items from hers and found a rattlesnake. It was a little one, but just as deadly as the big ones. She managed to kill the snake, and now wonders where his parents are...

Congratulations to Rick and Rhonda Bentley on the birth of a son, Adam Vincent, born July 14. He has a big sister, Christina, who is eight years old.

Funeral services were held for Pat Fowler, who died July 12 at her home in Amarillo. Pat's husband

is J.B. Fowler, former pastor of the Methodist Church in Bovina. She was such a sweet person and we share in their sorrow.

Pat was survived by her husband, one son, one daughter, her mother and brother. J.B.'s address is 4408 Tiffani, Amarillo, 79109, if you want to send a card or can make a memorial to the Pat Fowler Scholarship Fund at St. Paul United Methodist Church, 4317 I-40 West, Amarillo, 79106.

Jana Barrett Hedrick, who was injured in the skiing accident, is reported getting along very well. She will undergo surgery again on Thursday and have a pin or rod put into the leg that was broken. Jana is a patient at Lubbock General Hospital.

We understand Coach Marks Lanham is taking a group of youngsters on another trip to play basketball and this year the group will go to Hawaii first and then to Australia. Billy Scott "Woot" Sudderth will be one of the lucky ones to go. They will leave on August 1 and return August 11.

Three athletes, Scott Scaff, Bud Venable and Scott Sudderth, participated in the annual 6-Man Coaches Association Clinic and All Star Games on July 21 and 22 in Stephenville, Texas. We understand they had a great time and did well.

The coach is not home yet so we don't have the results but will later. We understand Del Ray Sudderth and fiancée, Linda, met them in Dallas. Kay and Radford Venable went, also Elton and Marie Venable. Kay's grandmother and her parents, the Roy Stones of Plano, Bonnie and Tommy Scaff and perhaps others, but anyway the group had a good time.

Dean and Juanita Hastings returned from a trip that took them to Eagle Nest, Red River, Taos, Questa and the Cimmaron Canyons. Accompanying them on their trip were Frank and June Wright. Frank is Juanita's brother. The family had a great time together. Frank and June are from the Fort Worth area.

Leah Steelman, 16-year-old daughter of Dickie and Mary Evelyn Steelman was one of 39 people in the South Plains Association who went to Juarez, Mexico and worked with their people in Bible School and revival meetings. They stayed at a church over in El Paso and crossed the border each day.

They had Bible School in the mornings and at night, they would hold revival services. The group worked in four different churches. Leah said this is her third year to go to Juarez. Usually they have about sixty in their group, but this year only 39.

When I asked Leah about the conditions there, she said it looked like a big dump ground with debris everywhere and houses, many made of cardboard. The streets were all dirt and very hard to travel on. One of the churches didn't have a building, so they had classes under trees.

She said one terrible thing happened while they were there.

Two of the children were riding a bicycle and were struck by a vehicle. One child was not hurt badly, but one was. The parents did not have the money to take the child for treatment. The child was in lots of pain.

Leah said it made her realize how fortunate she was to live in Bovina and how lucky she was to have a home and family such as hers.

Maesie Flynn and her sister, Grace Parr of Friona, drove to Woodward, Oklahoma and visited with another sister, Opal Lehr, who is in the nursing home there. Maesie said the country had had lots of rain and it was not too hot. They had a good visit.

Jerry Ware, Charlsie Eubanks, Virgie Adams and Irene Crawford from Amarillo have returned home recently from a trip to Dallas. They went, according to Jerry, to house-sit, dog-sit and cat-sit for Irene's son, Joe Bruce of Dallas, who was gone to Canada.

While there, the ladies went to see the Rangers' ball game, but it was rained out. They enjoyed playing games, went to a show,

Baby Shower Is Scheduled

Rhonda Bentley and baby son, Adam, will be honored with a baby shower on August 1 from 7-8:30 p.m. at the First Bank Community Room.

Hostesses for the shower are De-an Turner, Susan Hughes, Freida Dale, Pam Carpenter and Kay Roach.

and swam in the swimming pool at the home.

Jerry said it was a lovely home with four bedrooms and three baths so they had plenty of room. One of the highlights of their trip was getting to attend church services at the big Methodist Church in downtown Dallas. She said it was the Fourth of July weekend and the congregation sang patriotic songs which were beautiful. Escorting the ladies around town was Joe's sister, Carolyn Bruce.

THINK ABOUT IT...If calcium in milk is so good for you, then why do cows have such lousy posture?...Have a great week....Scooter.

Teagues To Be Honored

Chuck and Susie Teague will be honored with a wedding shower on July 29 from 2-3 p.m. at the First Bank Community Room.

Hostesses for the shower are Marie Redwine, Sandra Clayton, Peggy Falkenberg, Trudy Hartzog, Kathy Falkenberg, Ann Lee Englant, Barbara Hughes, Ola Lee Jones, Margaret Moore, Patsy Sherrill, Irma Jo Englant, Devance Englant, Renee James, Tami Kunselman and Scooter Russell.

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"Water Witching" Baffles Scientists

By HOLLY SNEAD
Friona Star Feature Writer

In this complex world of computers, fax machines and radar, society finds itself losing hold on the simple, sometimes primitive, ways of the past. Instead of getting up from the recliner and walking over to the television to change the channel, people push a few buttons on a hand-held device called a remote control. Instead of making a trip to the store to buy some item, people can order whatever they need over the phone. Instead of driving for several days to reach some destination, people can buy a plane ticket and be there in a few hours. One Friona man, however, does not rely on any high-tech machinery to accomplish one of his needs.

Floyd Reeve, a Friona farmer and community leader, possesses what some call a "talent," an "ability," or a "strange phenomenon." Reeve calls it water witching.

Water witching, or dowsing, as it is scientifically called, is basically a way of locating underground water sources. A dowser or water witch uses only a Y-shaped twig to accomplish his task. Dowsers generally use peach limbs, but Chinese Elm and Mesquite limbs have proven to be effective. He holds the limber twig upside down in his hands with his palms facing upward and walks across the area in which he is trying to locate water. The dowser knows he has found water when the twig begins to pull downward without any aid or voluntary movement on his part.

Reeve learned about water witching at about the age of 12. His grandfather, F.W. Reeve, a pioneer Parmer County resident, was a water witcher, and he was curious to see if young Floyd, Max or Joe Reeve would encounter the same experiences with the twig. Much to his surprise, Floyd discovered that he had the same "talent" that his grandfather did. (He said he did not remember how well it worked for Max and Joe.)

At about the age of 14, Floyd visited an uncle in Merkel, Texas. Jarrett Pinckley, Fay Reeve's brother, could also witch water, so he helped Floyd perfect his own "talent." Pinckley used Mesquite twigs, and sometimes the force of the twig pulling would be so great that the bark would twist off right in his hands.

Reeve has found many water sources for a number of people. He said of one early experience, "At the age of 18, I was still not convinced that I could find water, especially over territory that had not been previously explored by a dowser. A rancher came by and asked me to witch a pasture where many attempts had been made to locate enough water to supply his cattle. I told him of my uncertainties, but he insisted that I try my 'luck.'

"I walked for a distance of only 150 yards and to my surprise, my twig pulled downward. I crossed on over the area and walked



TOOL OF THE TRADE....Floyd Reeve is shown holding the twig he uses when he is in search of water. Floyd inherited the "talent" from his grandfather, F.W. Reeve, a pioneer Friona resident.

toward it from the opposite direction. The same pull was still prevalent. Several days later, a well was drilled and good water was located at 160 feet below the surface. He (the rancher) thought I knew what I was doing, but I was really just playing."

Though Reeve jokes about the fact that he has a "real talent or extra ability," he does claim that water witching does provide some benefits. Not only does it provide a practical way for locating underground water sources, but it is also helpful in finding water lines that already exist.

The questions do remain among scientists, experts and everyone else: How and why does this phenomenon occur? Some think that it has something to do with

the magnetic field and gravitational attractions of the earth. However, the mystery remains alive and unsolved.

"Scientists don't like this attitude because they feel that there are scientific reasons for everything. I am sure that such reasons exist involving water witching that have not yet been discovered. The future holds a great wealth of knowledge and someday man will discover, to the satisfaction of all dowsers, just what attracts the dowser's rod," said Reeve.

In the future, scientists will keep searching and experts will keep speculating, but the dowsers will just hold on to their twigs and continue to find the hidden waters below the surface.

J. Grisham Celebrates Birthday



JULIE GRISHAM

Julie Grisham had a seventh birthday party on Saturday, July 22 at her home with eight special young ladies present. They were Misty and Lindsey Pruitt, Sara and Jill Sorley, Rana Webber, Laci Young, all of Bovina, and cousins, Amy and Valicia Grisham of Edmonson.

The girls were greeted at the door by hostess, Velma Grisham, and treated to a very formal "Tea Party," where they learned how to hold their "pinkie" finger while they sipped tea just the way rich and famous people do. This was followed by a fashion show as all the young ladies had come dressed in their mothers' dresses, shoes, jewelry, purses and make-up.

After opening presents and enjoying birthday cake, everyone went out into the back yard to slide

on the "Slip-N-Splash," played in the swimming pool and jumped on the trampoline.

Other special guests besides Julie's immediate family were Uncle Dale, Aunt Sue and cousin, Andrew Grisham of Edmonson, and Grandma and Grandpa Evans from Lubbock.

A video tape was made and everyone had a great time celebrating Julie's birthday. Julie is the daughter of Richard and Velma Grisham.

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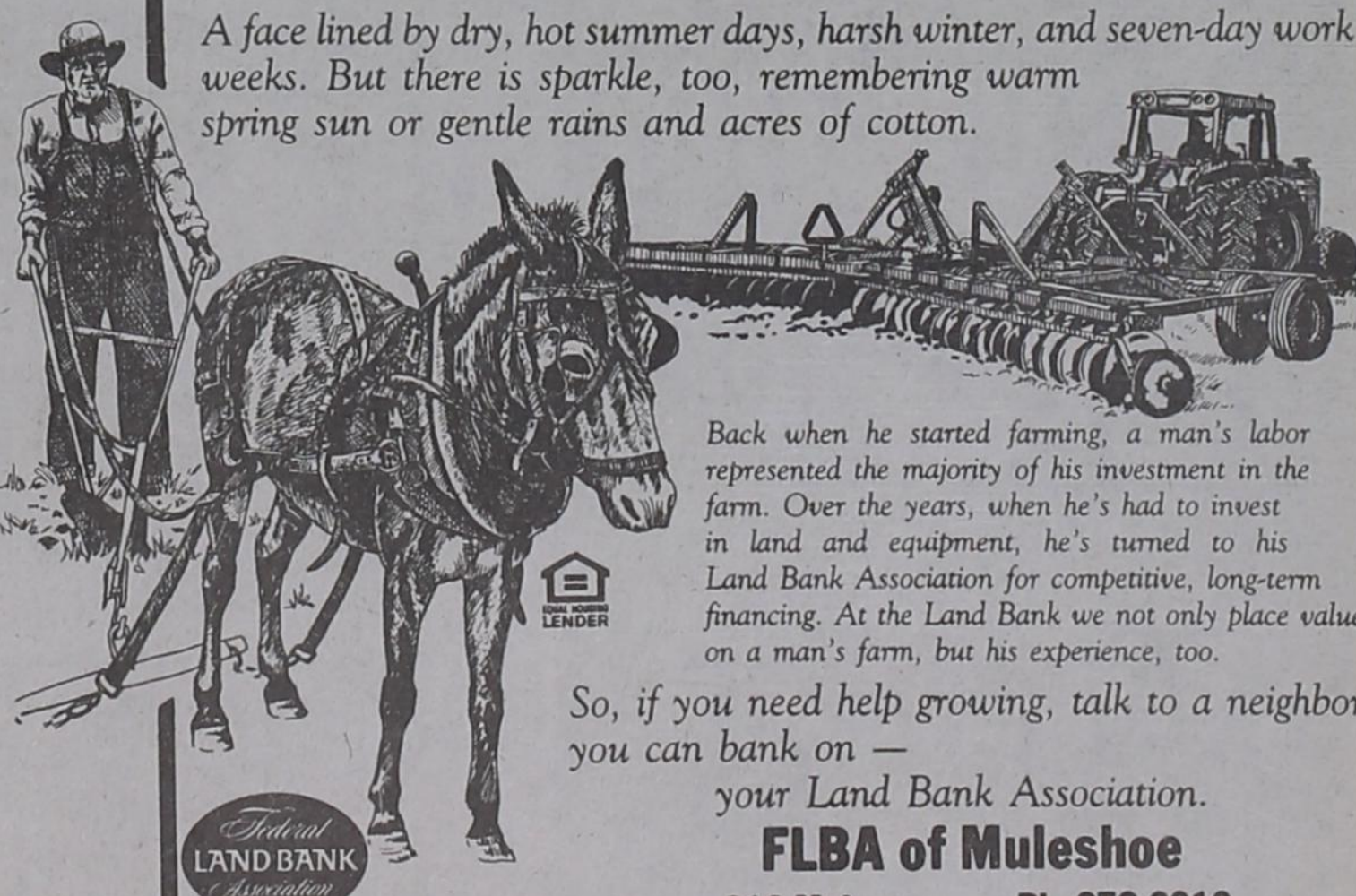
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GTE Southwest Rate Changes Began July 19

Residential and business telephone rate changes resulting from the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) ruling on GTE Southwest Incorporated's Docket 5610 rate filing will appear on customers' bills beginning July 19, GTE Southwest President E.L. "Buddy" Langley announced this week.

The rate changes will be effective February 23, 1989, the date of the commission's order. Most customers' basic local service rates and extended area service rates will be reduced approximately 17 per cent. Customers in the Bangs and Weslaco exchanges will realize increases. Monthly rates for touch-calling will be reduced by 50 cents, while rates for all other custom-calling features will decrease approximately 10 per cent.

As examples of the new rates, the average residential bill for basic local monthly service for a customer in Irving will be reduced from \$18 to approximately \$14.90; in San Angelo, from \$10.40 to \$8.60; in League City, from \$17.55 to \$14.55; and in Brownfield, from \$10.15 to \$8.40.

The rate changes also apply to local directory assistance calls and other services, including customer requests for operators to verify a line as busy or to interrupt a call, mileage charges for customers outside of the base rate area and rate-case surcharges.

Langley said there is "little doubt that reductions of this magnitude will have a dramatic impact upon the company. Undoubtedly, it will affect the timeliness of our response and the pace at which further service enhancements can be brought on line." But despite the commission's ruling, Langley said GTE Southwest's primary objective continues to be "to provide the very best service possible to all of our customers. We are committed to quality service at fair and reasonable rates."

To protect the company's financial health, GTE Southwest has reduced its 1989 capital investment program by more than \$100 million and job positions in its Texas operations by 1,100. The company achieved the target job reductions, without employees having to leave the payroll involuntarily, by not filling 400 job vacancies, transferring some employees to other GTE units, offering a voluntary displacement program, releasing more than 200 contractors and offering an employee income assistance program for employees interested

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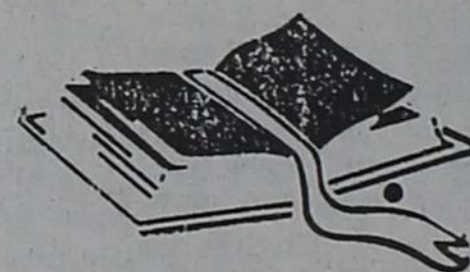
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