

MY TURN

By Carol Ellis



WOULDN'T IT BE NICE if we could pick out our own names after we were grown, or nearly grown, rather than having to go through life with the labels that our parents placed upon us?

Carol Stone Ellis. Sounds kind of wimpy doesn't it? Douthit Melugin McKay. Now there's a name with some substance to it. You'd have to really accomplish something in life to live up to a name like that.

I recently got to thinking about all the grown men in our triangle area of Friona, Bovina and Lazbuddie, who have really unusual given names. When you combine the ones who lived here in the past, and the ones who have passed on, and the ones who are currently with us, there are a lot of them.

For instance we have or have had: Penny, Fern, Marion, Meryle, Connie, Val, Lexie, Gail, Jessie, Jean, Cece, Hanna, Opal, Cassy, Chick, Dale and several Shirleys. All of these are fellows...not ladies.

Then we have the city guys: Denver, Dallas and Austin. So far we don't have an Omaha. At least not that I know of.

Plus, we've had Ancel, Army, Art, Elvie, and Alvo. Then there's Boyce and Doyce; Hilbert and Willard; Von, Van and Volley; Sixto and Ovidio. I once told Ovidio that he should open a video rental store and call it "Ovidio's Video." He didn't seem to be nearly as amused by that as I was.

Now remember, we're still talking about fellow's names. ...so how about Skip, Oakley, Bubby, Trey, Ohio, Hobie, Hap and Hop? There's Chuck, Chunk, Cotton, Cayson, Preach, Pug, and Pudge.

In Bovina there are two married couples with the same names; Pat and Pat and Glen and Glen. Except the Glens moved away and people call the Pats "He Pat" and "She Pat" in order to differentiate between them.

Red, Blue, Forrest and River sound sort of like an environmental protection group. And B.O. and T-Bone sound like members of one of those raunchy heavy metal rock groups who have wild hair and don't wear any shirts. Actually, these were very nice conservative fellows with good haircuts who wouldn't dare be seen in public with their shirts off.

Then we have the weather forecast kids: Stormi, Misty, Wendy, Dusty, Rainey and Sunshine. I don't think we have a Tornado yet.

We have our own share of celebrities in this area; mostly the country-western music types. There's George Jones and Farron Young. And if Miss Kitty had married one of the Wells brothers instead of Mr. Gallman, we'd have a Kitty Wells. Lazbuddie has their very own Elvis.

Allo Reeve tells us that she and her sisters, Avo and Willo, used to be known as the Jello triplets.

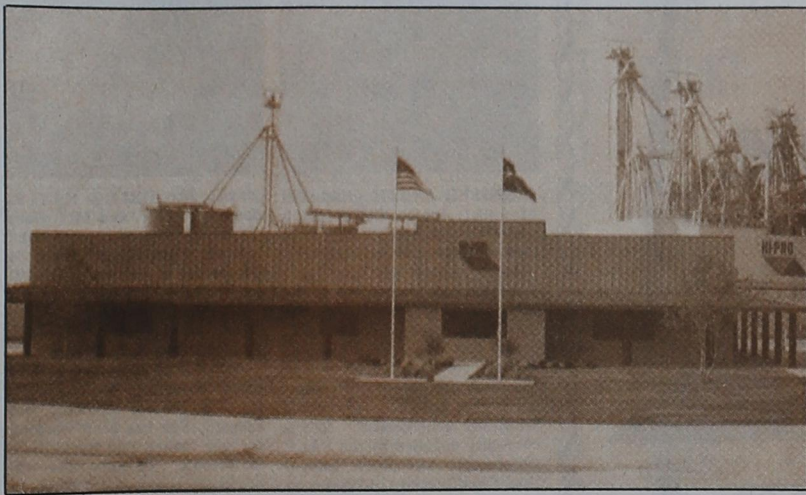
Have you ever noticed that the name R.J. Renner Jr. is a perfect mirror-image palindrome? A palindrome is a word or group of words that reads the same forward and backward such as "Able was I ere I saw Elba."

Okay, so this is what happens to someone's mind after they've been involved with genealogy too long. Be nice to me or I may have to check myself into the home.

Of course, we also have a number of perfectly lovely ladies who's families were obviously expecting a boy. There's Eddie, Frank, Terry, Tom, Tommie, Billie, Randy, Jimmie, Bobby, Johnnie, Jackie, and Joe.

But the topper of them all is a name I spotted in the Hereford paper a few weeks ago. A really good looking High School senior had his picture in the paper as an ag scholarship winner. His name was, are you ready for this, Bric Wall. Poor kid!

One thing all these people have in common...their mothers were in a lot of pain when they named them.



HI-PRO FEEDS' NEW BUILDING ON HIGHWAY 60

BIVINS TO SPEAK

Hi-Pro Sets Open House

A ribbon-cutting and open house is scheduled at Hi-Pro Feeds' brand new complex on East Highway 60 next Wednesday, June 19.

State Senator Teel Bivins will speak following the ribbon-cutting ceremony sponsored by the Friona Chamber of Commerce. The event will be held at 1 p.m.

Hi-Pro will host an RSVP lunch at their new office on east Highway 60.

Walk-through tours of the office, feed plant and animal health division will be conducted from 11:30 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Hi-Pro has re-built since the devastating tornado that destroyed the majority of its facilities. It has built back with considerably more office space than its previous office, which it had occupied since 1973.

Bill Stovell, general manager of Hi-Pro's Animal Health Division, hailed Hi-Pro's owners for the re-building of its facilities.

"It is a real compliment to the ownership of Hi-Pro to allow us to stay in Friona. They thought so much of what Friona had done for Hi-Pro that there wasn't ever any discussion as to whether they'd rebuild here, but just when we'd get started," Stovell said this week.

The Hi-Pro official also credited the construction crews for their dedicated work. "They worked tirelessly. You just can't compliment these folks enough," Stovell said.

(See inside today's issue for the special messages from local businesses, as well as from vendors, contractors and suppliers of Hi-Pro Feeds)

Hi-Pro Traces Its Beginning To '67

Hi-Pro Feeds, Inc., traces its beginning in Friona to 1967.

In the June 8, 1967 issue of the Friona Star, an article and photograph announced the company's plans, and introduced Ron Davenport as manager of the new cattle-feeding related enterprise.

Davenport had served as manager of a farm chemical company, Wilbur-Ellis in Lubbock for two years previous to coming to Friona.

The new plant would, the article said, manufacture primarily feedlot supplements and range pellets, and would be located just east of the city limits, on the south side of Highway 60.

According to that article, the plant would employ "seven or eight men" to begin with. (Editor's note: In 1996 Hi-Pro employs around 80 people, making it the second-largest industrial payroll in the Friona area. This does not include other correlated businesses, such as Winkles Trucks, which also has a sizeable operation).

In the announcement article, it was stated that "the proposed plant will be able to produce a capacity of approximately 4,000 tons of feed per month." That comes out to approximately 48,000 tons of feed per year.

Present Hi-Pro general manager Jack Hamil said in an interview last month that Hi-Pro presently produces approximately 300,000 tons of feed per year, and serves roughly 20,000 customers over a six-state area.

With its two-mill operation, Hi-Pro has the capacity of producing a

half million tons of manufactured feed per year.

Mary Crump was Hi-Pro's second employee, joining Davenport in October of 1967. She served as the company's bookkeeper/receptionist for 18 years, and retired in 1985, holding the title of office manager.

"Hi-Pro has always been an integral part of Friona. They have been a community-minded business from the first. I am very proud of my association with the company. I worked for some super people. Even though I've retired, I still feel I'm a part of Hi-Pro," Mrs. Crump said.

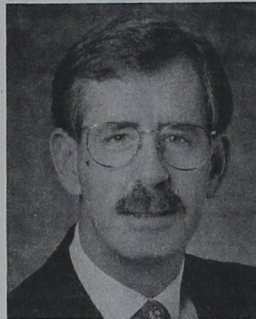
She pointed out that when Hi-Pro was formed, there was a real need for that type of business, here in the midst of the large feed yards.

Jack Hamil joined Hi-Pro in 1970. He currently serves as general manager for the corporation. Hi-Pro has feed plants in Dexter, N.M., Lubbock and Marfa, Texas, in addition to Friona.

Bill Stovell started to work for Hi-Pro in October of 1971. He currently serves as General Manager for the corporation's Animal Health Division. Hi-Pro operates animal health stores in 11 cities besides Friona.

Stovell and his wife Marilyn Stovell have a son Chad, 21, who is a senior at Texas Tech, and a daughter, Tonya, 19, who will be a sophomore at San Angelo State U.

Today, Hi-Pro not only supports a formidable payroll, but by attracting scores of retail customers over a wide area.



SEN. TEEL BIVINS

Friona PD Acquires Drug Dog

By RON CARR

Molly is a friendly six-year-old. She likes to send people to jail.

The Friona Police Department recently acquired Molly, a six-year-old Black Labrador, who carries the title of Certified Narcotics Detection.

Purchase and training of the dog and her handler, Officer Mike Howard was 100% funded by local businesses and individuals. The continuing cost, upkeep, and equipment will be paid by the city.

Molly was purchased from a company in Gainsville, Texas, where officer Howard spent a week training with her. Howard earned a Narcotic Canine Handler certification.

While Molly belongs to the Friona PD, she will be utilized by the Sheriff's Office or State Troopers on an as needed basis.

Molly is trained to discover a wide variety of drugs.

We witnessed a demonstration when Police Chief Gerles and Officer Howard hid drugs in three places at the department.

One was a small amount in a (Continued on Page 7)

Lions Will Have July 4th Events

The Friona Noon Lions Club will be hosting the annual 4th of July celebration.

The Noon Lions Club will be cooking hamburgers and french fries at the park.

Any organization wishing to have a booth can contact Mike Hutson or Sharon Rector to reserve a spot.

This is a great and fun way to make some extra money.

There will be a patriotic program on the back porch of the depot late in the afternoon.

The community is encouraged to come celebrate together at the park.

**Three Cheers,
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AN EDITORIAL

Hi-Pro Makes Promise Good

By BILL ELLIS

Friona was standing at a crossroads on June 3, 1995, the day following the devastating tornado.

Several businesses and industries were delivered practically a knock-out punch by Mother Nature as a result of the storm.

None of those affected was more evident than Hi-Pro Feeds. Located as it is on the eastern edge of Friona, Hi-Pro enjoys a "high visibility" situation.

Passing traffic, as well as local motorists leaving for a trip toward Amarillo, go by Hi-Pro every day.

If all of the businesses and industries that were adversely affected by the storm had decided to hang up an "out of business" sign, it would have been virtually a terminal notice for the city's vitality.

But Hi-Pro's leadership almost immediately announced their determination to not let the storm terminate their spot locally as the number two industrial employer.

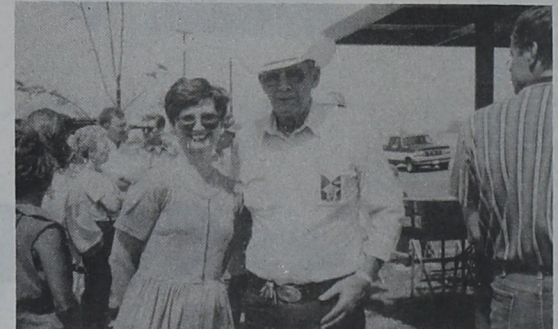
Employees were wearing caps that read "We'll be back," as they sifted through the rubble on Saturday, June 3, to locate the salvageable company records.

Hi-Pro's leadership caught on, and virtually every other business (and individual) that was struck a blow by the storm has built back to their pre-storm level, and some like Hi-Pro have even come back with an expanded base.

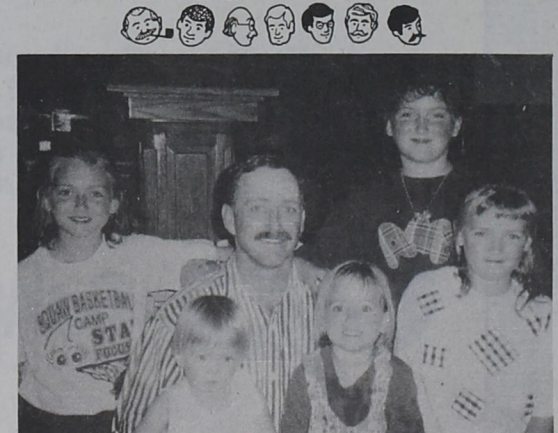
We salute Hi-Pro Feeds on their commitment to Friona and its trade area. Their "We'll be Back" attitude is the kind of spunk that made this area great in the first place.



NEW FRIENDS....Friona Police Officer Michael Howard shows off the newest addition to the department. Molly is a trained narcotics detection dog acquired by Friona PD. See story for details.



THANK YOU TXDOT.....Among the local crowd attending the opening of the roadside park on June 6 were Penny Mason, Public Information Officer from the regional office of the Texas Department of Transportation in Lubbock, and Parmer County Sheriff Rex Williams.



HAPPY FATHER'S DAY.....Friona dad Jim Murphree is all smiles as his girls wish him a Happy Father's Day for Sunday June 16. Shown with dad are Amy, 11, Brenda, 9, Staci, 7, Anna, 4, and Maddie, 1. Happy Father's Day to all dads and granddads in Parmer County.

Best Of Luck HI-PRO

CONGRATULATIONS

WE'RE PROUD OF YOU FOR STICKING IT OUT, HI-PRO! BEST OF LUCK IN YOUR FUTURE ENDEAVORS!

The FRIONA STAR



JENNIFER SMITH graduated May 11 from Texas Tech University with a BS Degree in agricultural communications. While a student at Texas Tech, Jennifer was a member of the Alpha Phi sorority; the AgriTechsans, a recruiting group for Texas Tech and the College of Agriculture; the Block & Bridle organization; and the Dean's List for scholastic achievement. She is currently enrolled in the PACE (Panhandle Alternative Education Certification) program at West Texas A&M University where she is working on her elementary education certification. She is a 1992 graduate of Friona High School. Her parents are Paul J. and Cynthia Smith.



J'MAI MICHELLE GAYLE, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Gary Cash of Friona, graduated magna cum laude with a doctorate in veterinary medicine from the College of Veterinary Medicine, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas, on May 10. J'mai also received the Ross P. Marstella Award for excellence in large animal medicine and surgery. She has been working for her father two weeks here in Friona. In July, she will begin a year's internship in equine medicine and surgery at the Illinois Equine Hospital in Chicago, Illinois.

Marriage Licenses

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Donald Gene Young-Janet Ren Ishii; Jose Luis Robles-Yolanda Cisnero Vidana; Marc Powell Johnson-Denise Suzanne White; Donald Wallace Shawner-Heather La Shawn Pilgrim.

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NOTICE OF HEARING
Parmer County Appraisal District

The Review Board hearings will be held on June 28, 1996, starting at 9:30 a.m. until all appointments have been met. The hearings will be at the Appraisal District board room at 305 Third St., Bovina, Texas.


In order to be entitled to a hearing, you must file a written protest with the Appraisal District by June 21, 1996.

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Finally--A Little Rainfall For Friona!

Residents of the Friona area were awakened at an early hour on Friday to an unusual sound. As it turned out, the sound was raindrops falling.

Friona's official rain gauge recorded .48 inches for the shower, which fell very softly.

Since the area has been in a prolonged drought, this won't make much of a dent in the situation, but everyone agrees that it's a start in the right direction.

For a change, three nights in a row, the weather pattern developed in Eastern New Mexico, and moved across the western counties of the Panhandle and South Plains.

Friona had been practically left out of two of these rainfall opportunities, as the measurements were .03 and .04 inches for Tuesday and Wednesday's clouds.

Some reported that Bovina, Lazbuddie, and Dimmitt got good rains Tuesday and Wednesday. But Friona was, as it has been the past several months, almost left out.

Kevin Welch proudly announced to Ye Editor that he had received "a tenth of an inch" at his farm South of Black on Tuesday

night. But, he said, it was better than another dry windstorm.

Thursday night's measurement of .48 inches in Friona was the most measured at one time since December 18 of 1995, when .89 inch was received from a rain-snow combination. The snowfall in that system amounted to around three inches.

But--here's what every farmer is well aware of, the monthly moisture totals in Friona for 1996:

January, .05; February, .21; March .00; April, .00; May, .14; and June, through the 13th, .14. Total for the year: .72 inches.

This is one of the driest spells on record for the local area. Many farmers say they can recall periods during the early '50s that were as dry, if not more so.

Charles Myers told us that in 1953 he was farming in Dawson County (near Lamesa).

"We received absolutely no rain that year, and didn't harvest a thing," Myers said. Since there was no farm income, he had to find other types of work. He stuck it out, and eventually got back into farming, later moving to Parmer County.

WHO AM I?

I have been all around the world.

I've served in World War I, World War II, Korea, Vietnam, Lebanon, Grenada, the Mid-East. My travels go on and are endless.

I've led your sons when they conquered, I've covered their bodies in defeat.

I have been to your National ceremonies, to parades, post offices, banks, every event you Americans take place in.

Therefore, I assume you have displayed me to honor these things you care so deeply about.

Now, it's your turn to protect me..

Would you have burned me during World War I, World War II, Korea, Vietnam, Lebanon, Grenada, the Mid-East or anywhere else that I led your troops?

When you buried your sons and placed me on their graves, would you have thought of burning me then?

When you had your ceremonies and parades, would you have burned me there?

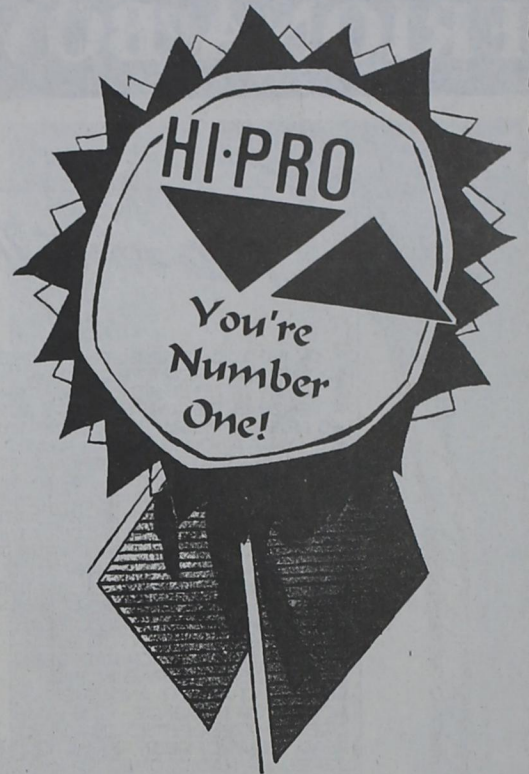
I have cared so deeply for you all as a nation. Even your Presidents stand and take pride when I enter a room. I have always withstood any weather you have put me through and never once dishonored you. Now, it's your turn.

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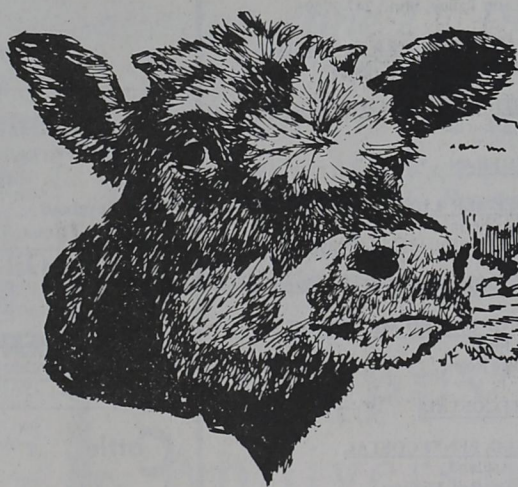
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Facts About The **BIBLE** BY JOHN LEHTI

JEHUDI WAS THERE!

IN THE TUMULTUOUS LIFE OF JEREMIAH THE PROPHET, MANY PEOPLE HAD TOUCHED UPON IT, HAD THEIR EFFECT, THEN DISAPPEARED! JEHUDI WAS ONE OF THEM! HE WAS A COURT ATTENDANT OF KING JEHOIAKIM--NOT A PRINCE NOR ONE OF THE NOBLES ATTENDING THE KING'S COURT, BUT ONE OF THE MANY PERSONS WHO SERVED--YET HIS BRIEF APPEARANCE IN JEREMIAH'S LIFE WAS NOT WITHOUT IMPORTANCE! WHEN MICHAIAH, A YOUNG NOBLE, HEARD JEREMIAH'S PROPHECIES READ BY BARUCH (JER. 36:8-10) TO ALL THE PEOPLE OF JUDAH AND JERUSALEM, WHO HAD COME FROM ALL OVER THE COUNTRY FOR AN IMPORTANT FAST DAY AT THE TEMPLE, A PROPHECY WHICH SPELLED DOOM FOR ALL THE PEOPLE AND THE DESTRUCTION OF JERUSALEM AND THE DEATH OF THE KING, HE IMMEDIATELY WENT TO THE MOST IMPORTANT PRINCES IN THE COURT TO REPORT THIS FACT! THIS WAS JEHUDI'S MOMENT--THE PRINCES SENT HIM TO GET BARUCH SO THEY COULD HEAR THESE WORDS OF DOOM. THEY WERE SO UPSET THAT THEY KNEW THEY HAD TO REPORT IT TO THE KING--THEY EVEN ADVISED BARUCH TO HIDE HIMSELF WITH JEREMIAH, AND LET NOBODY KNOW WHERE THEY WERE! WHEN KING



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JOHN LEHTI
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SPC DIESEL SERVICE STUDENT AWARDS....Students in the South Plains College diesel service technology program were recently selected for Instructors Choice Awards. From the left are: Whitney Owens, a program instructor; Duane Braden of Garden City, outstanding student in diesel service technology 163; Adam Halfmann of Garden City, DST 164; Adam Mendez of Levelland, DST 263; Michael Villa of Friona, outstanding DST 264 student; and Tony Ortiz, instructor in automotive and diesel service technology at SPC. (SPC Photo)

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FRIONA!!

Week of June 16-22

June 16--Glen Schueler, Lucille Eastep, Lacey Drake, Ann Martin, Geneva Brailiff, Logan Cheyenne Widner.

June 17--Courtney Horton, Danny Hand, Oscar Schlenker, Bart Blackburn, Johnny Spring, Rick Taylor.

June 18--Marilyn Ridley, Monty Allen, Katy Weatherly, Nita Clark, Willene Grundy, Shauna Stokes, Ernest Osborn, Casey Sims, Sherry Stover.

June 19--Wedra Sanders, Wayne Kube, Karon Zachary, Perry Allen Hanes, Mickie Herring, Raymond Drager, Yolanda Garza, Robert Hayes, Randi Stokes, Jacquelyn Campbell.

June 20--Nora Martinez, Michelle Nichols Day, Chris Hunt, Greg Stockstill, Rose Logan.

June 21--Todd Jordan, Izzy Cordova, Travis Auderer, Joey Bentley.

June 22--Rickey Barnett, Leslie Fangman, Deanna Buchanan, Abby Lewis, Chuck Nichols, Jyl Grimsley, Cecil Maddox, Jimmy Grimsley, Bécca Beard.

If you or someone in your family has a birthday coming up soon, call the Friona Star at 247-2211 by Wednesday noon and report it.

FHS Grad Finishes MC Course

Marine Pfc. Juan P. Gamboa-Lara, son of Juan E. Gamboa of Friona, recently completed the Administrative Clerk Course at the Personnel Administration School, Marine Corps Service Support School at Camp Lejeune, N.C.

During the eight-week course, Gamboa-Lara learned basic skills and knowledge in personnel management and administration procedures.

With his newly acquired knowledge, Gamboa-Lara is ready to prepare personnel evaluations and reports, leave authorizations, military identification cards and official orders for Marines changing duty station.

As a graduate of the Administrative Clerk Course, Gamboa-Lara demonstrates his tremendous ability to excel in a force of more than 160,000 men and women. Whether assigned to ships, squadrons or shore commands around the world, men and women like Gamboa-Lara are making a difference as they work to improve their knowledge and skill as part of the most highly technical force in history.

He joined the Marine Corps in June 1995.

J. White Gets Scholarship

The West Texas A&M University Division of Education has announced scholarship recipients for the 1996-97 academic year.

Jeri White of Friona, a senior English major, received the Douglas Shirley Scholarship.



ELECTRONIC PIONEERS.....Not exactly!... H. K. "Pudge" Kendrick and Frank Spring revisit their past electronic ventures in this week's Out Here column.

Ronda Ratcliff, Darby Norman United In Church Ceremony

Ronda Ratcliff of Friona and Darby Norman of Amarillo exchanged wedding vows Friday, June 7 at 6 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church of Canyon.

The bride is the daughter of Hal and Charlotte Ratcliff of Friona.

The bridegroom is the son of Debbie Hunter of Amarillo.

Rev. Archie Echols, pastor of the First United Methodist Church, Abilene, performed the double ring ceremony.

As the bride was presented in marriage by her father, she wore a full length wedding gown of candlelight satin with a chapel length train. The princess style bodice featured a scooped neckline, long sleeves and was decorated with beadwork.

Her double tiered candlelight veil fell from a wreath. She carried a large cascading spring bouquet.

The groom wore a black tuxedo with white boutonniere.

Sheri Beth Gervais of Houston served her sister as matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Stephenie Jordan of Tyler and Shannon Lane of Lubbock.

The feminine attendants wore tea length brocade dresses in deep purple with satin drapes at the neckline and scooped backs. They carried cascading spring bouquets.

Corey Weiss of Amarillo was the best man. Groomsmen were Steven Smith of Goodwell, Oklahoma and Chris Ray of Dallas.

Serving as ushers were Casey Weiss, Steven Smith and Chris Ray.

Corey and Mindy Norman, sisters of the groom, registered the wedding guests.

Sarah and Amy Gervais, nieces of the bride, served as flower girls.

The reception was held in the Country Home Bed and Breakfast.

Following a wedding trip to Lake Tahoe, the couple will make their home in Canyon.

The bride is a graduate of Southwest Texas State University, San Marcos, with a BA Degree in



Mrs. Darby Norman

mathematics. She teaches math at Canyon High School and has assisted with volleyball and basketball the past four years.

He graduated from Panhandle State University in Goodwell, Oklahoma with a BA Degree in English. The past year he taught sixth grade English at Westover Park Intermediate School and coached varsity tennis at Randall High School.

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL PROPERTY

By virtue of a Writ of Execution issued out of the District Court of Parmer County, Texas, on a judgment rendered in such court on May 1, 1996, in favor of Parsons-Ellis Funeral Home, Inc., doing business as Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home and against George Wayne Terry, individually as Independent Executor of the Estate of Ruth Terry, Deceased, No. 7743 in such court, the undersigned did on th 4 day of June, 1996, at 1:10 o'clock P.M., levy upon the following real estate, lying and being situate in Parmer County, Texas, as the property of George Wayne Terry, individually and as Independent Executor of the Estate of Ruth Terry, Deceased, to-wit:

Lot One (1) and the North One-Half of Lot Two (1/2 of 2), Block Seven (7), Drake Revised Subdivision an Addition to the City of Friona, Parmer County, Texas, as shown by plat of said subdivision of record in Volume 104, Page 209, Deed Records of Parmer County, Texas, generally known as 1211 Maple Street, Friona, Texas.

You are further notified that on July 2, 1996, being the first Tuesday of the month, between the hours of 10:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. on the specified day, at the Courthouse door of Parmer County, Texas, all the right, title, and interest of George Wayne Terry, individually and as Independent Executor of the Estate of Ruth Terry, Deceased, in and to the above described property will be offered for sale and sold at public auction, for cash.

Witness my hand this 4 day of June, 1996.

Rex Williams
Sheriff
Parmer County, Texas

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF INTENT TO DESTROY RECORDS

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that PARMER COUNTY SSA intends to destroy records of students who received special education services prior to 1989. These records include only those located in the Parmer County SSA office located at 909 East 11th Street, Friona, Texas. *Records herein described include students receiving special education services in the following school districts: Bovina ISD, Farwell ISD, Friona ISD and Lazbuddie ISD. Legal parent/guardian or adult student with disabilities may request copies of these records by contacting Sue Beene, Director of Special Education, at the PARMER COUNTY SSA office at 909 East 11th Street, Friona, Texas 79035, phone number (806) 247-3315 by July 1, 1996.

ADVISO

Adviso esta dado que PARMER COUNTY SSA tiene intencion de destruir documentos de estudiantes que recibieron servicio de Education Especial antes y durante el Ano 1989. Los unicos documentos que van estar destruidos son los que estan en la oficina de PARMER COUNTY SSA localizada en 909 East 11th Calle en Friona, Texas. Documentos en esto son de estudiantes que recibieron servicio de distrito en seguida: Bovina ISD, Farwell ISD, Friona ISD and Lazbuddie ISD. Padres/guardian legal o estudiantes adultos con incapacidades fisica/mentales pueden pedir copias de sus documentos. Pueden llamar o escribir a Sue Beene en la oficina de PARMER COUNTY SSA, 909 E. 11th Street, Friona, Texas 79035, Numero de telefono es (806) 247-3315, 1 antes de Julio 1996. 36-4tc

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- NEW LISTING--3 BR, 1-1/2 BA, 2 living areas w/fireplace...\$52,500
- 3 BR, 1-3/4 BA, LR w/fireplace, din., kit. w/eating area, utilities, dbl. car garage, cinderblock fence, large house...\$52,500
- In the country, 3 BR, 1-3/4 BA, kitchen, dining, utility room, step down den.....\$40,000
- NEW LISTING--3 BR, 1 BA, LR, din. & 2 small apartments & 40x60 metal bldg. shop.....ALL FOR.....\$39,500
- NEW LISTING--3 BR, 2 BA, kit./din.....Contract Pending...\$35,900
- NEW LISTING--NICE OFFICE BUILDING, on Main Street, with basement on corner lot.....SOLD.....\$35,000
- 2 BR brick, 1 BA, kit./din., living room.Contract Pending...\$32,000
- NEW LISTING--2 BR, 2 BA trailer on large lot with storage building and cellar.....\$30,000
- 2 BR, 1 BA, living room, dining room.....\$29,500
- 3 BR, 2 BA, double wide, large living room, on large lot.....\$26,000
- 3 city lots, good location.....CALL FOR PRICE
- 3 commercial lots on Highway 214.....CALL FOR PRICE
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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Friona will hold a public hearing at 6:00 P.M. on Wednesday, June 26, 1996 at Friona City Hall regarding the submission of a variance request to the Texas Department of Health. The purpose of the hearing is to allow citizens the opportunity to discuss a variance request to Section 773.050, Chapter 773 of the Health and Safety Code, Texas Department of Health, Bureau of Emergency Management. The city encourages citizens to make their views known at the public hearing. Citizens unable to attend this meeting may submit their views to Paula Wilson, City Manager at City Hall. Handicapped individuals that wish to attend this meeting should contact City Hall at least 48 hours prior to the meeting to arrange for assistance. 37-2tc

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Parmer County Commissioners Court is currently accepting bids for group medical benefits for the Parmer County employees. Bids must be mailed or brought to Bonnie J. Clayton, County Judge, at 401 Third Street, Room 104, P.O. Box 506, Farwell, Texas 79325, to be received no later than 10:00 A.M., Monday, June 24, 1996, at which time bids will be considered. Please include an original and four (4) copies in your bid packet. Personnel information is available from County Treasurer Anne Norton at 806/481-9152. Experience data will be provided upon request, after receipt from Blue Cross/Blue Shield. The effective date for coverage is July 15, 1996 and the term is for one (1) year, however, bids for longer than one year will be considered. Bids should be for the same coverage and in the amounts now provided under the Blue Cross/Blue Shield policy. Any proposals for more or less coverage should be presented as options and priced as additions or reductions to the present coverage. The Commissioners Court will not be considering proposals for a partially self-funded plan at this time. The Parmer County Commissioners Court reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. By order of the Parmer County Commissioners Court, Bonnie J. Clayton, County Judge. 36-2tc

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SPORTS CAMP KIDS...The First Baptist Church revival team conducted a three-day Sports Camp at City Park this past week. Shown, back row, with kids on their shoulders, are Amy Carpenter, Michael Cox, Kenny Cuccia.

Details Are Given For Project

Gear up and get ready! Friona's City Wide Garage Sale is scheduled for Saturday, July 13 from 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

A great opportunity for all you garage salers!

There will be a city map provided that day to all shoppers free of charge. The map will have listings of all Garage Sale participants stating their name, address and a brief description of items for sale.

These listings will include business sidewalk sales and City Park booths.

Call the Chamber Office to reserve your listing on the map. Deadline for listings is Friday, July 5. Fees for listings: individual--\$10.00; business--\$10.00; park booth--\$25.00.

Drug Dog....

(From Page 1)

flower bed. Another was under the hood of a patrol car, and the third was inside a closed box inside the trunk of a car.

Under Officer Howard's command, Molly found all three drug locations in a matter of minutes.

When she indicated drugs in the trunk of the car, they opened it. She jumped into the trunk, which had several types of boxes in it, and found the cardboard box containing the drugs.

As a reward for a successful "find" she gets to play with a white rolled up towel which Howard keeps available at all times.

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OPEN FOR PICNICS...Participating in the grand opening of Friona's roadside park on Thursday, June 6 are City Manager Paula Wilson, Mayor Clarence Monroe, TxDot official Cliff Utley and Chamber of Commerce President Andrew Zamora.

B. Garner Attends Electric Workshop

Billy Garner of Friona High School was among 89 FFA members who participated in the recent 34th annual FFA Electric Workshop, sponsored by Southwestern Public Service Co. in Amarillo.

The three-day workshop, held June 3-5, featured demonstrations, videos and lectures on subjects such as wiring farm buildings, assembly of electronic controls and electric safety.

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Students from the Texas Panhandle, South Plains and eastern New Mexico attended. SPS employees and area agricultural-science teachers served as instructors. Hollis Harris of Friona High School attended with his student.

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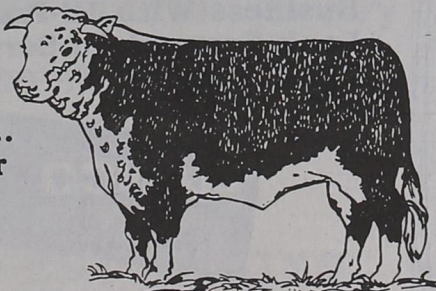
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GUY BARTON ELLIS received the Degree of Doctor of Veterinary Medicine from Texas A&M University on May 10, 1996, where a total of 110 candidates from the graduating class accepted their doctoral hoods on the campus in Rudder Auditorium. He currently is employed with West Plains Veterinary Hospital in Levelland, Texas, where he and his wife, Robin, reside. They were married in College Station on March 11, 1995. A graduate of Friona High School, he is the son of Mike Ellis of Lubbock and Nelda Ellis of Friona.

Friona PD Softball Tourney

The Friona June Classic Softball Tourney, sponsored by the Friona Police Department, is scheduled for June 21, 22, 23. This will be an ASA Class "D" Men's Tournament. Entry fee is \$125.

There will be trophies for first, second, third places and a consolation trophy. Also an MVP award for offense and defense will be given.

There will be a raffle of T-shirts, caps, and tennis shoes. Radio station Z-93 in Amarillo will broadcast the tournament. On Sunday, June 23, at noon, a Z-93 team will take on the Friona PD team.

The games are benefit games for the public. Donations will be accepted at all games.

Proceeds from the tournament will benefit the police department through use for equipment and training.

Sponsoring the tournament will be local merchants Dairy Queen, Maria's Restaurant, and Heroes Alley.

Anyone interested may contact Manuel Torres or Randy Geries at 247-2711 or 247-2384.

Xpress Lube To Benefit MDA Group

Texaco Xpress Lube will be holding a Lube-A-Thon to benefit the Panhandle Chapter of the Muscular Dystrophy Association on Saturday, June 22 from 8 a.m.-7 p.m.

Texaco Xpress Lube will offer oil changes for a minimum \$10.00 donation to MDA. All five Amarillo locations will be participating: 7419 West 34th, 2801 South Georgia, 1221 South Ross, 4018 Olsen, and the newest location, 4322 West 45th Street.

Stop by one of the five locations and receive an oil change for \$10.00 (regular \$22.99 value) and help "Jerry's Kids" at the same time. For further information, call (806) 359-3141.

Courthouse Notes

Instrument Report Ending June 7, 1996, Parmer County Texas, Bonnie Warren, County Clerk

WD, Troy F. Ray, Kelly E. Lacy, all of Lot 4 and N/30' of L5, Blk. 4, Lakeside Add., Friona

WD, Ralph Shirley, Ryan Stelzig, Lots 11 and 12, Blk. 10, OT Friona

WD, Cris Ingram, Vicente Soto, Lot 24 and S/2' of L25, Blk. 6, Lakeview Add., Friona

WD, Willis Cattle Co., Inc., Kay Lynn W. Rogers, part of S28, T2N;R2E, and tracts in Sec. 6 and 7 and S15, Blk. A and tracts in Sec. 13 thru 24, Blk. C, Rhea Sub.

WD, Evon R. Tafoya, Phillip Johnson, Lot 25, Blk. 2, Gardner's Sub., Bovina

WD, Tracy Myers Rucker, Dave M. Smith, W/92.0' of Lots 1, 2 and 3, Blk. 12, OT Farwell

WD, Peggy Sudderth, Carolyn Martin, Eva Woodson, Lots 25, 26, 27 and 28, Blk. 59, Farwell

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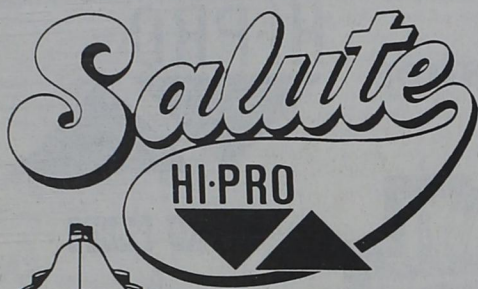
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ARTIST OF THE MONTH...Opal Baxter has been named Artist of the Month for June. She is shown here with Bessie Holt who is the new Nursing Secretary at Prairie Acres, where Opal's oil paintings can be seen in the lobby. She started painting with Arnie Vail in 1978 and has been painting ever since. She studied with Blanche Hittenger of Indiana who taught in Texas Valley; also Kitty Guy in Dallas; from Bobby Wied in Friona; Jean Green of Olton; and for the past few years she has painted locally with J.D. Keel. Opal says "I have done a painting for all 24 of my great-grandchildren."

Out Here

By **RON CARR**



"Good morning Parmer County. It is a sunrise Saturday and this is Ron Carr starting your day at K-Triple-N Radio from our broadcast studios on the outskirts of beautiful downtown Friona, Texas, U. S. A."

"KNNN would like to wish a happy father's day to all Parmer County dads and granddads."

If you lived in Parmer County in the late 60's or early 70's, you may have heard a similar opening as Radio Station KNNN, "K-Triple-N" as it was known, signed on the air at sunrise each day and signed off at sundown. It was a daylight AM station.

Frank Spring and Pudge Kendrick were the "electronic pioneers" in Parmer County, even though they did not know it at the time.

Matter of fact, when Mr. Spring, Mr. Kendrick, and I sat around talking recently, we agreed that none of us knew diddly about electronics.

When I heard there was once a radio station in Friona, my curiosity got the best of me. Then when I heard that Frank Spring and Pudge Kendrick also brought cable TV to Parmer County, I had to get nosy.

In the late 50's, they bought the rights to cable TV service in Post, Bovina, and Friona. Unlike today's satellite transmissions, in those days there had to be a "cable"

run to each subscriber, mostly from alleys and telephone poles.

Frank remembers that in Post, they actually rented the poles and paid monthly rent to SPS, "by the pole".

They operated the cable company for 10-12 years before selling it to a group in Muleshoe. It has changed ownership several times since, but the cable company today is a continuation of the one they started.

Their venture into the radio station business began in June, 1966 when, as Pudge says, "they bought a crystal", built a building, put up used antennas in Bovina and Friona, and hired an expert to put the station together.

His name was Bill McDonald. He moved over from Muleshoe to construct and operate K-Triple-N. Frank says that McDonald was legally blind, but a genius with radio equipment.

Since Frank was running the bank and Pudge was running Kendrick Oil, they gave McDonald an interest in the station as an enticement to manage KNNN.

The license for the AM station allowed it to be on the air only during daylight hours. The format was mostly music with some talk. They did not have access then to instant news or weather.

At 4 p.m., a high school

student would come in and play music until 5 p.m.

Then a DJ named Beto would play Spanish music until signoff. The Kendrick's daughter, Sally, filled in and played music when she was 12-13 years old.

Pudge Kendrick did local football and basketball broadcasts. Since electronic equipment was still in the future, he would record the games and play them back the next day.

Surprisingly, the little station covered the Amarillo, Clovis, and Lubbock listening areas. A friend of Pudge in Amarillo would listen to the games.

After about three years, the two men discovered that their manager was a good technician, but not a prudent business manager. They sold the station to a family from Winnsboro, Louisiana, who owned a station there.

The plan was for McDonald to remain as the manager since the new owners lived in Louisiana.

At the closing of the sale, he announced he would not be staying on. The difficulty of operating a radio station from Louisiana proved to be too much. In about a year, they simply closed K-Triple-N, thus ending Parmer County's future for radio.

There is another side to this little story. Father's Day seems an appropriate time to talk about

Frank Spring and Pudge Kendrick.

Frank Spring was born October 9, 1907, and was the first baby registered in Parmer County. He holds birth certificate number one.

He married Ethel Ruth in October of 1937. They had two children, Frank and Mary Tom. They were married almost 60 years. Ethel Ruth passed away in 1995.

Today he has the two children, four grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

H. K. "Pudge" Kendrick was born April 11, 1918. He and his wife, Deke, will celebrate 49 years of marriage in October, 1996.

He will be honored this Father's Day by two children, Danny and Sally, and five grandchildren.

Both men speak with great pride of their families. The pride especially shows when they speak of their grandchildren.

Between them they have more than 100 years of marriage, family, and fatherhood.

The old green building west of Friona is still there. Horses graze nearby now. A silent reminder of what could have been at K-Triple-N. Wouldn't it be nice to have a radio station in Parmer County today? I think so.

Happy Father's Day gentlemen. All of Parmer County thank's you for your time.

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Junior 4-H Project Is Underway

The Parmer County Junior (3rd grade to 13 years of age) 4-H clothing project is underway. They are compiling a list of youth wishing to participate in the project. Youth interested in participating in the project are asked to call the Extension office at 481-3619.

Two training meetings on June 17, 6:30 p.m. at the Parmer County Extension meeting room and June 19, 6:30 p.m. at the Friona Public Library meeting room, will be held for leaders and parents of 4-H'ers wishing to participate in the project. These meetings will be necessary to ensure there will be enough leaders to work with the 4-H'ers that have signed up.

The Junior 4-H club has several sewing projects for youth throughout the summer, a fashion show in conjunction with the County fair, and an opportunity to participate in the Fashion Follies at the South Plains Fair, tentatively on September 22.

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Letters To The Editor



(Note: the following piece is submitted by reader, Elton Wily.)
 "I challenge Ms. Hammer and the NRA to show the American People where the Constitution guarantees the right of any private citizen, not as a member of the armed forces or state militia, to keep and bear arms whatsoever."

Mrs. Marian P. Hammer, president of NRS's reply:
 "That challenge was issued to me through a letter in my local newspaper recently. It is not new, we all hear it over and over again, as if plain facts were debatable. They're not.

The proof of course, is found in our history and comes from authorities much wiser than I am. In its 1846 decision in the Nunn v. State case, the Georgia Supreme Court found that the Second Amendment means, "The right of the whole people, old and young, men, women, and boys, and not militia only, to keep and bear arms of every description and not such merely used by the militia, shall not be infringed, curtailed, or broken upon, in the smallest degree."

That opinion was written by Chief Judge Joseph Henry Lumpkin, for whom the law school at the University of Georgia was named, and who practiced law in 1820 when some of the framers of the Constitution were still alive. The Lumpkins were a prominent Georgia family who personally knew a number of the framers. As a contemporary, Judge Lumpkin was in an excellent position to know the exact meaning and intent of the Second Amendment as written.

The Founding Fathers' statements bear witness to their intent. Antagonists may feign difficulty in understanding the clear meaning of the Second Amendment, but there was clearly no doubt in their or Judge Lumpkin's minds and that leaves no doubt whatsoever in mine. Read the words of our Founding Fathers and judge for yourself:

Thomas Jefferson: "No free man shall ever be barred the use of arms."

Samuel Adams: "The Constitution shall never be construed to prevent the people of the United States who are peaceable citizens from keeping their own arms."

George Mason: "I ask, sir, what is the militia? It is the whole people....To disarm the people is the best and most effective way to enslave them."

Richard Lee: "A militia, when properly formed, are in fact the

people themselves....and include all men capable of bearing arms....to preserve liberty it is essential that the whole body of the people always possess arms."

It doesn't take a rocket scientist to understand what they're saying, so it is exceedingly frustrating to find today's courts, both federal and state, all over the map with their judicial decisions."

Thanks, Ms. Hammer!
 Elton Wily

Hey Ron,

I couldn't pass this one up! I like your columns, you are an interesting writer. Your column in this week's paper sort of woke me up concerning my idea of a hero. It isn't something I often think about, if asked on the spur of the moment I might say my mother, because being a mother myself I realize the kinds of sacrifices she has made in her lifetime for my benefit and we need heroes that are willing to make sacrifices for us.

The celebrity type heroes earn millions of dollars because we "sacrifice" our dollars to buy tickets to their games, clothes with their names on them, and many other items in which they endorse.

My hero would need to always be there when I needed a hero and so would need an everlasting loyalty. Hard to find. I would not have to justify myself to my hero because the understanding would be there and correction would be lovingly administered on my behalf. My hero would need to be willing to risk life and limb to save me from destruction because I can not overcome some circumstances by myself.

You are right, none of the heroes of today are perfect and when you think of my requirements of having to be able to justify, be everlasting, willing to sacrifice, have understanding, and be willing to save me from destruction, can there be such a hero?

Yes. Using the first letter of each need, JESUS. You see if we would teach our children that there is only one hero that deserves our love and admiration, one that will always be there for them, and is perfect, we would see a drastic change in our nation.

Instead we let them imitate and glorify someone that will ultimately let them down. We allow them to be taught that truths in the bible are outdated and need to be revised so that abortions can be performed, homosexuals can live with a clear conscience, and with an "if it feels good, do it" attitude.

Last year our children were given an assignment to write about his or her hero. One mother told

me that when her daughter stated that Jesus was her hero, she was asked to choose another one. There is no other hero. The definition in the dictionary should be changed to read simply Jesus.

I would still give my mother credit where credit is due, but now that I think of it, she was just one of the many provisions that Jesus made sure was available to me, just like any good hero should do.

Think about it.
 Lisa McLellan

(Editor's Note: The Friona Star is proud to received letters from our readers. These two have been "on hold" for a few weeks, due to space constraints. If you can, please keep your letters under 250 words in order to be printed more quickly. Thanks!)

Uncle Austin Says: If you find yourself yearning for the good old days, just turn off the air conditioning.

Flag Questions: Answers

(Borrowed from "Etiquette of the Stars and Stripes" as revised by Public Law 94-344)

The Women's Division of the Friona Chamber of Commerce hopes to boost your patriotism by our Flag Awareness Campaign.

Following are some frequently pondered questions about our U.S. flag:

Q: If two flags are staffed before the entrance of a building on which side should the U.S. flag be on?

A: On the left as observed from the street.

Q: Is it permissible to wear a button or pin properly depicting the U.S. flag?

A: Yes, such may be worn as a patriotic item.

Q: Would it be proper to fly or display a U.S. flag after it has served as a casket flag?

A: Yes.

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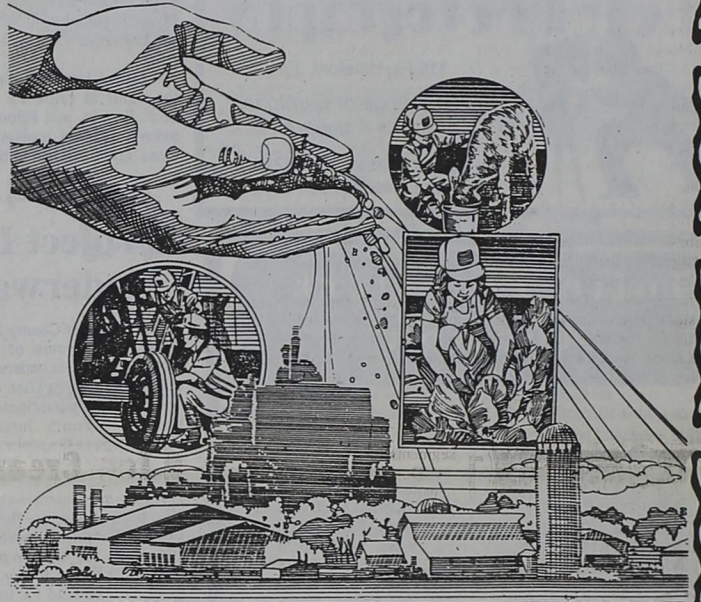
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BY IKE STEVENS
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With Stock Investing, Accentuate The Positive

Our society tends to focus on the negative. The evening news inundates us with crime and violence. Politicians spend more time slinging mud than offering solutions. The whole country was mesmerized by the O.J. Simpson trial.

All this negativism can overshadow any positive events. Take, for example, the stock market. Probably the most well-known fact about the U.S. stock market is that it crashed on Oct. 29, 1929.

However, while the stock market crash stands out in people's memories--as well as in the history books--the stock market, in fact, has continued to advance over the years. On average, common stocks have enjoyed annual gains of more than 10 per cent. Other investments like bonds and savings accounts have rewarded investors with 6 per cent or less, and government securities have barely kept pace with inflation.

Yet even with this historical record of success, many people still view the stock market as "gambling" or "too risky." All they can think about is the Crash of '29.

Can a stock market disaster happen again? Possibly. However, today's market is quite different. For example, one of the main reasons the bottom dropped out of the market in 1929 was that many investors bought stock on credit, or margin. Today, there are strict regulations on margin and credit purchase. Investors must deposit cash for at least half of the amount of a stock purchase. The stock is security for the borrowed amount. If the stock market's value drops, the investor must deposit additional cash or sell the securities to satisfy the debt.

In addition, most stock traded on the major exchanges today is held by large, long-term investors such as pension funds, insurance companies, mutual funds, endowments and the like. These investors are guided by sound economic values rather than temporary market whims. They're in it for the long term.

Those who have chosen to invest in the U.S. economy as owners of companies have profited generously. The stock market is the catalyst of American industry. It is the place where vital capital is raised to finance new business and expand existing industry, it reflects the growth of our economy, and it allows everyday people to share in the success of companies. For example, you don't have to create a company like Microsoft to benefit from it; through the stock market, you can invest along with people like Bill Gates. The stock market is the key ingredient in our U.S. capitalist society. Even more, it is the marketplace of global interaction.

If that one negative event of 1929 is keeping you from investing in the stock market, take a stroll around your home. Look at the hundreds of products you buy that profit manufacturers, distributors and advertisers. That profit is shared with the stock owners of those companies.

In fact, in the very same year that the stock market crashed, a product was invented that can be found in virtually every U.S. home today--the color television. It's hard to estimate the financial and cultural benefits that have come as a direct result of color TV. Manufacturing, sales, communications and advertising are only a few segments of our economy that have profited--not to mention shareholders of companies in these segments.

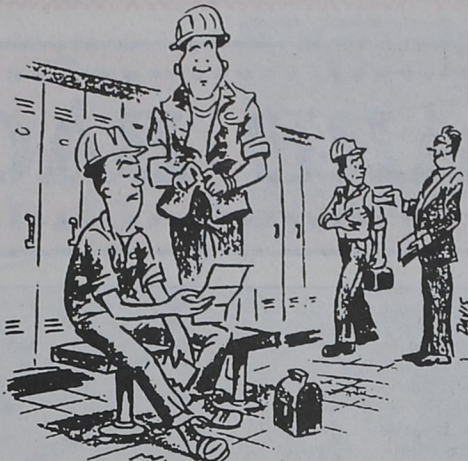
Don't be overshadowed by the negative. Investors who accentuate the positive and invest in the stock market historically have been rewarded.

Sr. Citizens Luncheon Set June 18

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By Bill Walraven
Illustrated by John C. Davis Jr.

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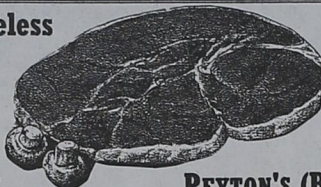
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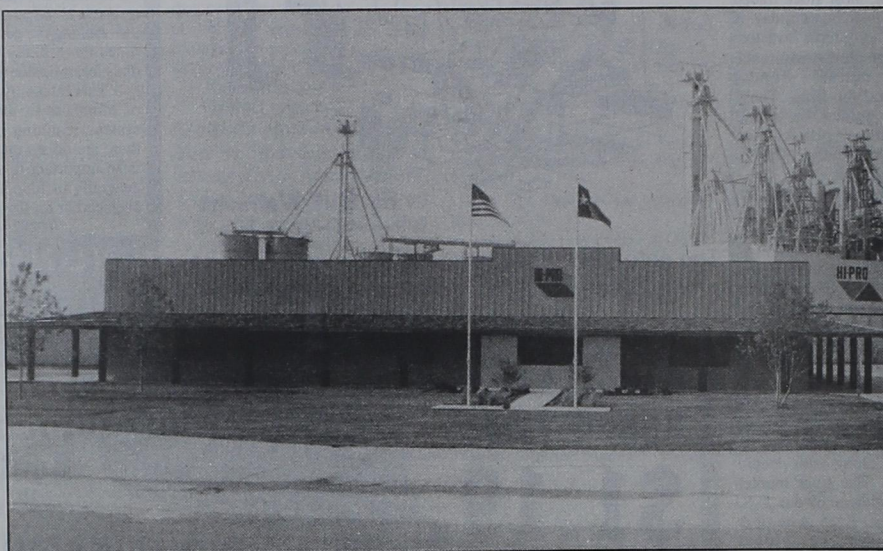
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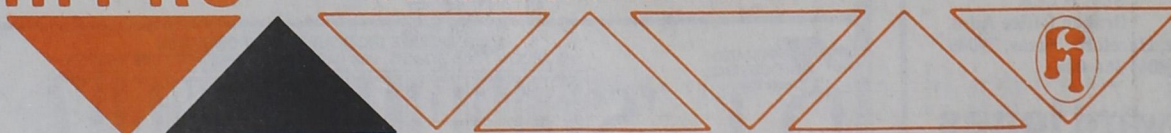
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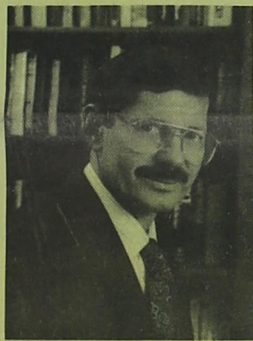
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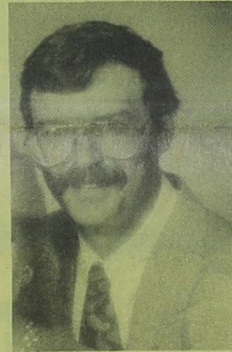
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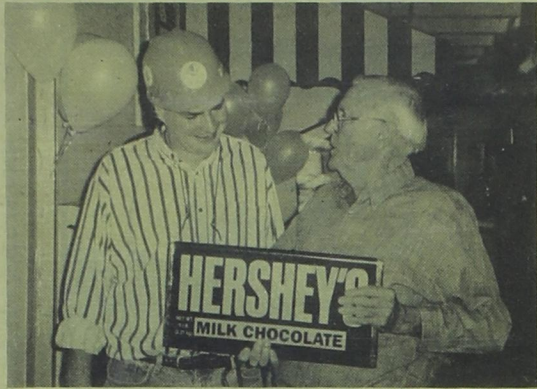
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Leander Davila Attends Texas Boys State, Austin

From June 1 through June 7, Leander Davila attended the annual American Legion Boys State in Austin. He was one of the thousand junior age students to attend Boys State at the University of Texas in Austin.

The program's main focus was to teach junior boys from all over the state of Texas about our state government. The boys run and are elected to offices such as governor,

Coping with Loss Is Topic Of Seminar

The Supportive Care Division of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center will present "Pathways", a bereavement support group, every Tuesday from June 18 through June 25, from 1:30 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. in the amphitheater of the cancer center at 1500 Wallace Blvd.

The classes offer ways to cope with the loss of a loved one. The topic of the June 25 class is "Finding Your Own Way."

For information on "Pathways", please contact Gerry Kelly at (806) 359-HOPE (4673) or 1-800-274-HOPE (4673).



JUANITA MARTINEZ Services Held For J. Martinez

Mass for Juanita Baroneis Martinez, 81, of Friona, were held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, June 12, 1996 at St. Teresa's Catholic Church with Father Ed Sweeney officiating.

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

Mrs. Martinez died June 8, 1996 at Parmer County Community Hospital, Friona. Born November 23, 1914 in LaGarita, New Mexico, she married Matilde Martinez on November 2, 1946 in Canyon, Texas. He preceded her in death on May 3, 1992.

She was a homemaker and a member of St. Teresa's Catholic Church.

A sister, Lena Alderate, also preceded her in death on May 1, 1996.

Survivors include one son, Guadalupe Duran of Friona; four daughters, Sarah Coronado and Alice Garza of Friona; Dora Covarrubias of Lubbock; and Christina Martinez of Artisia, California.

Also, three brothers, P.C. Aragon of Hale Center; Rosando Aragon and Pete Aragon of Canyon; one sister, Julia Martinez of Dallas; fifteen grandchildren and twenty great-grandchildren.

Palbearers were Michael Covarrubias, Paul Garza, Issidor Cordoba, Manuel Martinez, Joe Duran and Paul Covarrubias.

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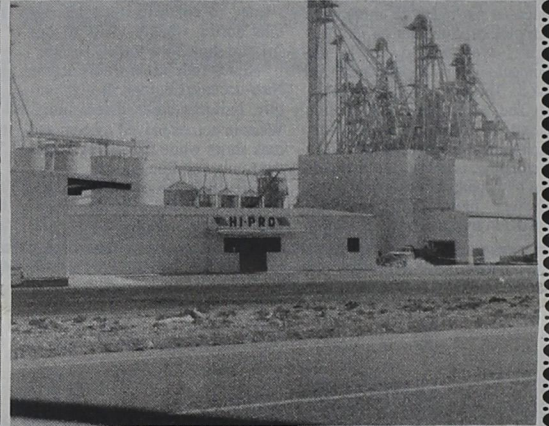
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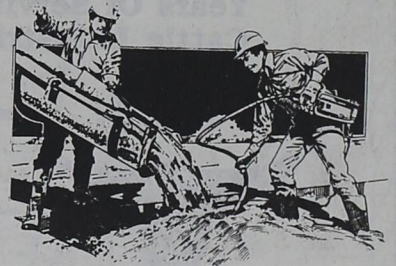
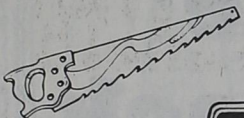
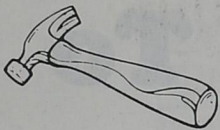


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WAYNE BRISTOW

Writer Relates Trips On "Fast Train To Clovis"

(Editor's note: Publisher Bill Ellis' boyhood friend, evangelist Wayne Bristow, is compiling a book of childhood memories of growing up in a small town. Wayne is sharing with our readers the following story. Surely an evangelist wouldn't pull your leg, now would he??)

Bristow's book is entitled "Cat Hair and Cake.")

It is an American tragedy that so few of today's children have an opportunity to experience the romance of railroads. My hometown, Muleshoe, Texas, was named by the Sante Fe Railroad because the Muleshoe Ranch had donated land for a townsite near the new tracks.

My boyhood home was just over a block from those tracks. When I flip through my catalog of memories, some of the best involve trains.

We did not own a car until I was a teenager. Don't think we were impoverished. It was just that my frugal father, who came to Muleshoe because in 1937 Lud Taylor guaranteed a barber \$18 a week, put his money into meeting our real needs.

In a town where you could see from city limit to city limit, a car wasn't one of those needs. If we needed to leave town, that's what trains were for.

Railroads and Christmas are intertwined in my memory. Daddy would walk us to the depot lugging suitcases packed with more gifts than clothes. Standing on the platform, we would feel the approaching train almost before we saw it. The arrival was awesome.

The giant steam locomotive passed us belching, shuddering, creaking and hissing, all the throes of stopping. At last, the mail car door slid open, porters leaped down to place metal steps and the conductor appeared with his watch

in hand. I never remember hearing, "All aboard." Instead, I can still hear a clear, "Board!" piercing the air of a cold winter morning.

By clambering to a seat on the south side of our coach, I could see Daddy walking across the highway on his way to the barber shop a block away.

Then, with a shudder, a jerk and rumble we were on our way to Sweetwater. Every town along the way fed my wanderlust. I studied their names on the depot signs and stared down their dusty streets.

I tried to imagine the lives of their people and pondered how many towns there must be in the world. I wondered if anyone could live long enough to see them all.

That train ride was my first real adventure and the places along the way are still fresh in my mind's eye: Sudan, Littlefield, Roundup, Shallowater, Lubbock (the biggest city in my world), Snyder and Post. Then we were there, Sweetwater; and my maternal grandfather, Uncle Sam King, was waiting to load us into his car for the trip to Hamlin.

Yes, there was a railroad to Hamlin, but the only train, other than the freights making runs to and from the gypsum mill, was a strange looking little one-car get-up everyone called a doodlebug. I never rode on it. In a way that made it even better. I didn't lose the mystery.

Everyone who fascinated me rode trains to all the places where I wanted to go. Mostly, I learned this during weekly visits to our "picture show," the Valley Theatre.

Spies rode night trains across Nazi-occupied Europe. British empire builders transversed India. Western heroes braved robbers and rock slides while thundering across the frontier on iron horses.

Real-life heroes reinforced the bond between railroads and adventure for me. Notre Dame and

Johnny Lujack arrived in Dallas on the train for their showdown with Doak Walker and SMU.

The Ringling Brothers' Circus came to Lubbock on its own special train. And Babe Ruth came to Muleshoe on a train. Well, really through Muleshoe, but I was in the right place when someone shouted the news through the barbershop door. I raced the block to the depot in time to see the now sick and tired Sultan of Swat stand on the platform of the rear car and wave as his train slid away to the west.

Later, I landed a job using my bicycle to deliver telegrams. The great thing about that was that the Morse Code messages clattered in at the Sante Fe depot.

I would hang around watching freights roar past and studying the agent as he operated the telegraph machine. I always remembered that Gene Autry was doing that when a curious Will Rogers asked if he could play the guitar propped against the wall.

For one would-be traveler, buying a ticket out of Muleshoe proved to be more than he could handle. His intended destination, Clovis New Mexico, was only 30 miles away, but at the state line you pass from the Central into the Mountain Time zone. Instantly, you have gained an hour.

Our soon-to-be frustrated man approached the ticket agent asking, "What time does the next train leave for Clovis?"

"Three o'clock this afternoon." "And what time does it arrive in Clovis?"

"Two-forty-five this afternoon."

As the bewildered inquirer turned to leave, the agent asked, "Don't you want to buy a ticket?"

"No, sir," he shouted over his shoulder, "But, if it's O.K., I'd like to stand about hundreds yards away and watch that thing take off."



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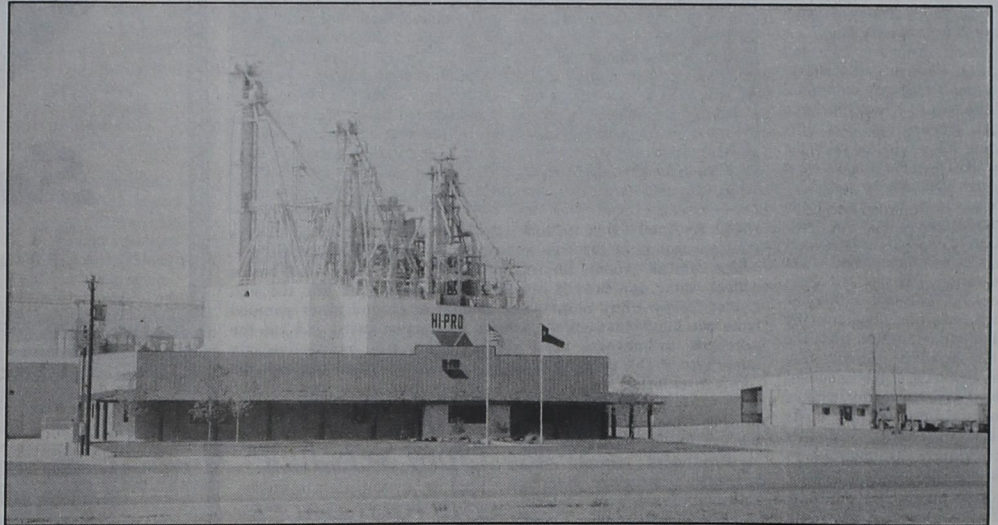
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Farmers Are Urged To Install Furrow Dikes Now

No one knows when the next rainfall will occur on the dry Texas High Plains; therefore, it makes good sense for area producers to keep furrow dikes installed in their fields to maximize precipitation benefits when it does rain again.

Furrow dikes are small mounds of soil mechanically installed in the furrow. Installation of these mounds of soil creates a small reservoir in front of each dam.

In most instances, area soil infiltration rates are adequate to absorb small amounts of rainfall with little runoff. However, when rainfall occurs in amounts exceeding soil infiltration rates, the furrow dikes hold the water in place until it can soak into the soil.

"Water is the limiting factor in crop production in this area," says Ken Carver, Assitant Manager of the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No 1 in Lubbock. "It must either be obtained from precipitation or by pumping ground water from the Ogallala Aquifer. Maximizing precipitation reduces the amount of withdrawal from the aquifer, reduces agricultural production costs associated with meeting crop water needs and has the potential to significantly increase crop yields."

A three-year study at the Texas A&M University Agriculture Research and Extension Center at Lubbock indicated an average annual runoff of 2.73 inches from land with varying degrees of slope.

Keeping rainfall on the field rather than allowing it to flow into ditches and/or playa basins provides additional water from crop use.

For every inch of water available above the basic water needs for plant development, cotton will yield 50 to 100 pounds of lint per acre; grain sorghum will yield 300 to 400 pounds of grain per acre; and wheat, two to three bushels per acre.

The potential crop yield increase resulting from two to three inches of additional water on cotton could increase production by 100 to 300 pounds of lint per acre, and grain sorghum production from 600 to 1,200 pounds per acre. Other crops grown in the area should have similar yield increases when furrow



HARVESTING PRECIPITATION...Furrow dikes help producers take advantage of the free moisture provided by Mother Nature. When rainfall exceeds the soil infiltration rate, these small basins collect water and hold it in place until it can soak into the soil. Use of furrow dikes reduces the amount of ground water pumped from the Ogallala Aquifer, reduces production costs, and has the potential to increase crop yields. This will be particularly important if the current drought conditions extend through the summer months.

dikes are used to retain similar amounts of additional water.

Producers should also remember that furrow dikes are especially effective when used under a center pivot sprinkler system. The furrow dikes hold the irrigation water in place until it can soak into the root zone soil profile.

"Furrow dikes are the single most cost-effective conservation practice that High Plains producers can implement to increase crop yields and profits. Choosing not to use furrow dikes and subsequently pumping an amount of water from the Ogallala Aquifer equal to the average annual runoff of 2.73 inches will cost the producer from \$8 to \$12 per acre. In addition, the water pumped this year from the Ogallala Aquifer will not be available for use in future years," said Carver.

Additional information about furrow dike use is available by contacting the High Plains Underground Water Conservaiton District No. 1, 2930 Avenue Q, Lubbock, Texas 79405-1499 or by calling (806) 762-0181.

South Plains Opry Sets June Performances

The South Plains Opry, a family-style musical entertainment show, has two more Thursday night performances to be held on the downtown square in Levelland.

During its run, the show will feature special guests, Paul Davidson, cowboy balladeer; the bands, Laredo and Southern Sky; and Kenny and Donnie Maines and sons, along with the South Plains Opry ensemble.

Show dates are June 20 and June 27. Show time is 8 p.m. each night and admission is free.

The South Plains Opry will wrap up with a special Independence Day show on July 4th at the South Plains College track in Levelland.

The South Plains Opry is a presentation of South Plains College and the Levelland Area Chamber of Commerce. For information, call Bob Evans, Chamber of Commerce director, at (806) 894-3157.

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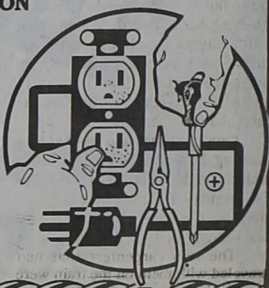
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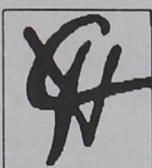
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Early Pioneers Made Big Move To The Promised Land

By JERI WHITE
(Editor's note: Jeri L. White is the former Jeri L. LaFrance. Her mother is the former Janet Stevick. Jeri L. White is married to Bill White, the great-grandson of F.W. and Ethel Reeve.)

Chcka, chcka, chcka, chcka, chcka, chcka. The train screeched to a stop throwing its passengers from their seats. Ethel, with her small baby in her arms, stepped from the Home Seekers Excursion Train out into the muggy July day.

The train was stuffy, and her long dress was covered in dust and cinder ashes. She shook the skirt of her dress to remove the layer of dirt and gently wiped 7-week old Esther's face clean of the black ashes.

Ethel took a deep breath of fresh air. When she had gotten on the train she was in Indiana, and now she was in Texas. The heavy wind scraped against her. The sun was blistering, and the glare hurt her eyes.

This was Texas. This was Texas? It wasn't what F.W. had described when he and his father had returned from purchasing the land a couple of years before.

No, F.W. used words like paradise and "the land of milk and honey." No, this couldn't be it. All Ethel saw was flat, dusty, dry land. For miles and miles, that was it. No trees, no rivers, no nothing! This was what she had brought her child to? This was what she had left her family for? For this she had given up her precious piano?

She wanted to get back on the train, but F.W. and the others were pushing her forward. "You must calm thyself," Ethel murmured under her breath and took enough steps forward to allow the others room to escape the train and see the land, the promised land.

Quickly Ethel was guided to a waiting horse and buggy. Their journey still lacked nine miles to the home of F.W.'s relatives where they were to stay until their own home could be built.

The two carpenters that had traveled with them on the train were to build their new four-bedroom house. Amidst the clip-clop of the horse's hooves and squeak and rattle of the buggy wheels, Ethel began thinking of their new home and of the buggy ride.

It reminded Ethel of her and F.W.'s wedding day. It had not been much more than a year ago, and they had taken a buggy much like this one to their first home in Friendswood, Indiana. And now they were here in Texas. It was hard for Ethel to appear content, much less happy, but she knew it was her duty to do her best.

They did not have to stay with their kinfolk long. In the middle of a field, several miles from the town

of Friona, their house was quickly built. It wasn't an extravagant house, but it was sturdy. Ethel especially loved the front porch. In the cool evenings, she could sit outside and watch the sun set.

Their house was soon filled with the sounds of growing children. All together there were six children: Esther, Mary, Hadley, Glenn, Charles, and Ruth. A constant din leaked from the house's cracks. Ethel enjoyed the noise; it was her own symphony. In fact, it made the open plains seem less threatening, less quit.

Life was hard on the plains of the Texas panhandle. Ethel often leaned on her husband's undying optimism. "There are two sources of wealth," F.W. told her, "natural resources and human resourcefulness."

Ethel spent her time doing the chores required of pioneer women. Cows to milk, butter to churn, bread to knead and babies to feed. Ethel spent most of her time bringing in water to the house.

Several times a day, Ethel walked the well-worn path from the windmill to the kitchen. Any leisure time was spent reading the Bible and singing to her children. Ethel was considered a prodigy as a child and was trained as a concert pianist. But without her piano, Ethel filled her love for music by singing to her children.

Ethel came to truly understand the words her mother and father had written when she and F.W. wished to be married. They were right when they said, "the dark days of disappointment will come and does come to us all." Ethel had felt it when she had left her piano and

when she had left Indiana.

She knew the dark times in 1915 when she and F.W. chose to have their names removed from the Quaker Monthly Meeting in Fairfield, Indiana. They joined the Union Congregational Church, the only established church in Friona.

This difficult decision resulted in the loss of their Quaker birthright. But Ethel had reasoned, "The children need to know God. Whether He is a Quaker is not an option we are offered." It didn't take long for the family to form their place in the church. It was here that Ethel found true solace by playing the piano.

Ethel felt the darkness when the blizzard of 1918 roared and thundered across the plains, and two thirds of their cattle were lost. But soon the sun broke through the clouds, and they began again.

Then again the dark days came in 1923. F.W. came speeding up in the Model T yelling about telephone lines, water and drowning. Finally, Ethel calmed him and learned the story.

F.W.'s brothers, Mark and Russell, who had been repairing phone lines which ran through a usually dry playa lake, had drowned. The boys were in a boat, and when it tipped over, Mark fell into the water. Russell jumped in to save his brother, who was unable to swim and neither returned to the surface.

The devastation that struck the family demanded a strength from Ethel she had not known was within her. And as Ethel's parents had also said, "When the clouds roll by, bright days will come again." They did.



F.W. AND ETHEL REEVE...Early Day Friona Residents

F.W. rose early as he usually did, but in this day he told Ethel he had to go to town. Ethel thought this curious; F.W. normally went to town at the end of the week, but she had her own chores to worry about.

Later that evening, she heard a commotion outside. As Ethel looked out the window, she saw F.W. in the Model T, honking the horn, with a piano balanced on the back end. F.W. has traded a mule to buy her a piano. Receiving the piano was one of the brightest days for Ethel.

Ethel watched the town change, her husband inspire development, and her children grow. She saw transportation become cars instead of horses, ranches plowed into farms, and a one room school grow

to a two story building.

Her children all graduated from college, her husband became a town leader, and her mother-in-law became the first woman elected to the school board. Through it all, Ethel devoutly continued to give music to her community. She played the piano for the church, led the choir and gave lessons to eager children.

Still the dark days came. The drought consumes the country, and crops dry in the field before they even begin to grow. The wind rips across the prairie and tears at men's souls.

But there are more bright days than dark; and more days filled with music than there ever are silent ones. Ethel grew to love her home in Texas; she gave this love to her

family. She loved to watch the sun set and sky turn into fire. She loved the wind's melody through the grass and through the cracks of the house.

Ethel's God-given talent also became a gift she gave to her family. Ethel's piano now abides, adorned with white doilies and family photographs in the home of her granddaughter.

The piano stands as a reminder of how a young, inexperienced woman can step off a train onto the untamed plains and survive. It stands as a reminder of how Ethel came to love the Panhandle.

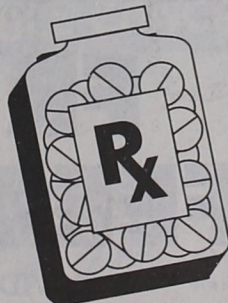
"I should have known to trust F.W.," Ethel once said. "He has a way of seeing the hidden beauty and promise in what I do not. Yes, Texas is a promise land."

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WD, Ronnie D. Stahl, Frances Wyona Clark, Lot 14, Blk. 2, Western Add., Friona

WD, Jewell Thomas Gee, Estate, John M. Gurley, a 23.11 acre tract out of Sec. 1, T3S;R3E

WD, John M. Gurley, Friona State Bank, a 23.311 acre tract out of Sec. 1, T3S;R3E

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WD, Buford C. Hartwick, Jaime A. Cruz, S/45' of L8, and N/30' of L9, Blk. 4, Lakeside Add., Friona

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WD, Margaret Coleman, Ray Galvan, a tract out of the E/part of Lots 29-31, Blk. 7, OT Farwell

Former Frionan Writes About "Old Man & The Rattlesnakes"

BY NELSON LEWIS

(Editor's note: Nelson Lewis wrote a weekly column for the Friona Star, entitled "Pause and Reflect" for a number of years. Lewis and his wife Lucille have been retired for several years, and live in South Carolina (111 So. Reid Road, Landrum, S.C., 29356).

"Where is the old man?" The man with the star on his vest spoke from his saddle.

"Don't know. Ain't seen him since this morning." The answer came from a young man whose gaunt face showed a three-day growth of whiskers.

"Me neither. Not since we knowed she was gone." The long-haired mother hugged a spindly-legged three-year-old girl against her breast.

"The girl all right?" the sheriff asked.

"Yeah. Scared to death and kind of dirty and hungry, but she ain't been hurt none," the father answered.

"Then you don't know where your pa is?" The sheriff was persistent.

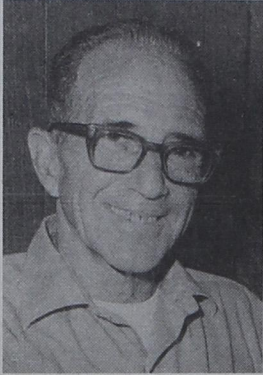
"No. Probably out looking for whoever picked her up. He'll be all right." The father was confident.

"I ain't so worried about him. I'm thinking about whoever stole your girl from out by the mailbox. That old man can track a snake across a flat rock. I just hope that if and when he finds him, he'll bring him in so I can lock him up." The sheriff twisted in the saddle to ease his tired butt.

"Ain't much chance of that, sheriff," the young man said.

"Yeah, well, let me know when he gets back." He lifted the reins and trotted away from the dugout.

The old man sat his horse and watched as the pimply faced youth hid in the plum thicket. He stepped from the saddle and loosened the girth. A long lead rope let the horse pick at the short grass. They had come a long way. Since mid morning, he had trailed the little bay and its rider. From a far rise on the prairie he had watched as the boy leaned from the saddle and put



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the terrified girl on the ground. She had streaked for home; breathless and wild with fright she had gained the dugout. Not until he saw her mother run to meet her had he begun to follow her abductor. Once or twice he had almost lost them. Now from the canyon's edge he watched the boy dismount and lead the lathered bay into the thicket.

Squinty old eyes ranged up and down the canyon. This was his country. A thousand feet below and a quarter mile north, a prehistoric stream had fallen from the high prairie and cut a deep bowl in the canyon floor. The old man grinned evilly. He caught up his horse and, ignoring the boy, picked his way down the canyon wall. At the edge of the bowl he stopped and tethered his horse.

From a salt cedar he broke a limb and trimmed it into a long fork. The sun was low when he caught his last rattler. The sinuous bodies were dropped into the bowl. Not until a dozen writhing snakes were captured did he stop and gaze down their frantic efforts to escape.

Mounting the restive horse he rode down the canyon floor to the plum thicket. The boy sat half dozing against a tree. He sprang to his feet and saw the old man cut the bay horse loose and whip it into a run.

The old man's eyes burned a hole in the pallid face. Lifting a

thin, sunburned hand he pointed upstream. The boy began a stumbling shuffle toward the head of the canyon.

A narrow band of red gravel lay between the hundred foot sandstone cliff and the bowl. Fifty feet downstream they crossed the dry wash. Dark settled quickly in the canyon. The old man felt rather than saw the knots in the piggin' strings that bound the boy's arms and legs. He led his horse to the far side of the bowl, lifted off the saddle and unsnapped the bridle bit. The tired pony dropped his head and nibbled at the sparse grass.

Where the rock wall met the wash the old man sat down, tugged off his boots and relaxed against the sun-warmed cliff. His eyelids drooped and his bony chest rose and fell in rhythmic cadence.

From under the overhanging cliff, the boy waited in darkness until regular snoring came to his ears. A hundred feet away was a horse and freedom. He began to work the ropes from his wrists. A sarcastic smile spread his loose lips as the poorly tied now fell apart. In an instant his legs were free. Crouching, he looked at the old man. The snores continued. One mad dash to the horse and he would be free. He was alarmed at the harsh sounds his boots made on the red gravel; then the noise stopped, his feet pumped wildly on thin air.

One fiendish scream rose from the deep bowl. For ten seconds the canyon echoed with a moaning sob that drifted away on the night wind.

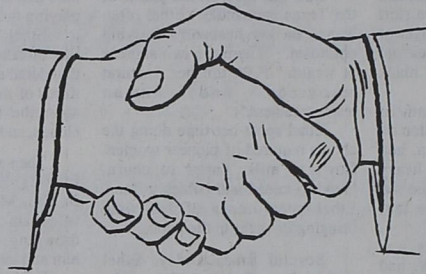
The old man picked his way across the dry wash, saddled his horse and very carefully wound his way to the prairie above.

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TOTAL	80,200	144,764
OKLAHOMA		
Beaver	30,000	42,750
Cimarron	92,000	200,650
Texas	246,500	553,340
TOTAL	368,500	796,740
TEXAS		
Bailey	47,000	88,000
Carson	14,500	*
Castro	302,000	666,645
Cochran	36,000	*
Dallam	95,500	262,500
Deaf Smith	431,500	918,887
Floyd	35,000	*
Gaines	35,000	*
Gray	69,150	142,810
Hale	63,000	122,200
Hansford	194,500	370,934
Hartley	143,000	348,200
Hemphill	30,000	*
Hockley	16,000	*
Hutchinson	12,000	*
Lamb	98,500	198,300
Lipscomb	11,000	*
Lubbock	48,000	*
Moore	131,000	278,420
Ochiltree	32,000	70,600
Oldham	44,000	80,150
Parmer	298,800	581,355
Potter	18,500	*
Randall	107,000	231,500
Sherman	132,000	309,195
Swisher	155,000	330,000
Wheeler	42,000	66,800
TOTAL	2,641,950	5,518,483
SYSTEM TOTALS		
(Includes Starter Lots)		
New Mexico	80,200	144,764
Oklahoma	368,500	796,740
Texas	2,641,950	5,518,483
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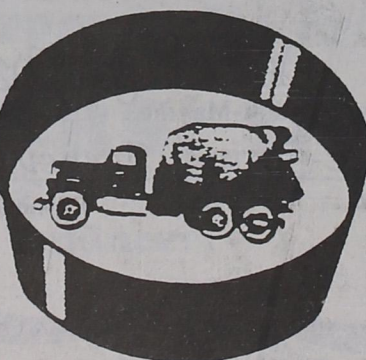
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Average Water Level Decline Recorded In Irrigation Wells

Despite continuing drought conditions and heavy pumpage, measurements in the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 observation well network reveal an average annual decline of only 1.91 feet in the ground water levels of the Ogallala Aquifer during 1995 within the District's 6.7 million acre service area.

The 1995 annual average decline of 1.91 feet is .24 of a foot less than that recorded for 1994 (2.15 feet).

"This is good news for residents of the High Plains Water District service area," said A. Wayne Wyatt, District manager. "With the drought and resulting heavy ground water pumpage to meet crop water demands, Technical Division personnel were expecting data to show an average ground water level decline from 2 to 3 feet in 1995. We were very pleasantly surprised," he said.

There are several factors which may have contributed to the reduced decline in ground water levels in

1995. **Hurricane Ishmael:** The remnants of Hurricane Ishmael brought heavy rainfall across the southern portion of the High Plains Water District service area in September 1995.

Readings in the Districts rain gauge network following the storm ranged from 8.40 to 16.20 inches in Crosby County; 6.20 to 12.60 inches in Floyd County; 6.20 to 14.50 inches in Hockley County; 8.30 to 13.20 inches in Lubbock County; and 7.80 to 15.50 inches in Lynn County.

The remaining counties served by the Water District received only three to four inches of precipitation as a result of the September storm.

This heavy rainfall enabled most producers to halt pumpage of their irrigation wells for the remainder of the 1995 growing season. In addition, the rainfall runoff likely contributed to natural recharge to the aquifer in the southern areas of the District where sandier soil is more prevalent and ground water levels are shallower.

Greater Irrigation Application Efficiency: As of 1995, 9,118 center pivot sprinkler systems are in operation within the 15-county High Plains Water District service area. Low Energy Precision Application (LEPA) center pivot sprinkler systems can achieve irrigation application efficiencies of up to 948 percent. This helps eliminate water waste associated with wind drift, deep percolation, and evaporation.

This increased number of center pivot sprinkler systems installed and used in the District-plus the expanded use of surge valves and other water conservation measures-likely contributed to the reduced rate of decline in 1995.

Technical Division staff members take depth-to-water measurements in a network of 1,196 privately-owned water wells to determine the average change in the quantity of water in storage in the Ogallala Aquifer with the District.

These measurements are made in January and February to allow ground water levels to stabilize from the previous irrigation season's pumpage.

During the 10-year period from 1986 to 1996, ground water levels showed an average annual decline of 0.77 of a foot. An average annual decline of 1.23 feet was recorded during the five-year period from 1991 to 1996.

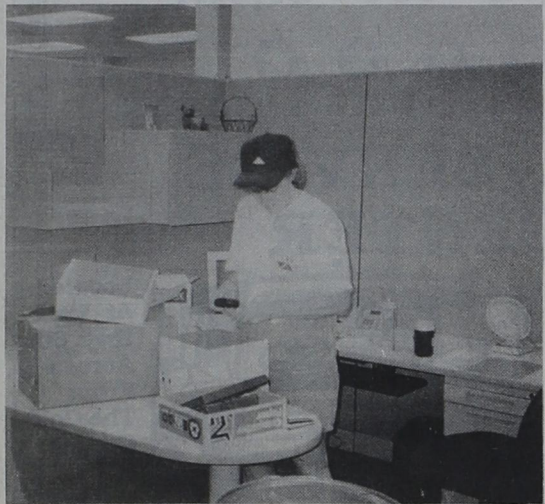
Ground water levels in the Ogallala Aquifer within the High Plains Water District service area stabilized for the first time in 1985. Since that time, depth-to-water measurements have revealed rises in some years while other years have shown declines in ground water levels within the District.

In the 1990s, measurements have shown an average decline of 1.06 feet in 1990, an average decline of 0.73 of a foot in 1991; an average rise of 0.14 of a foot in 1992; an average decline of 1.46 feet in 1993; an average decline of 2.15 feet in 1994; and an average decline of 1.91 feet in 1995.

The drought that began in the area in mid-1992 contributed to the increased rate of decline in 1993, 1994 and 1995.



NEW WORK AREAS....These four Hi-Pro employees are shown in their new cubicles after moving into their new office on East Highway 60. Pictured are (left to right) Casey Sharrock, Elsa Galaviz, Twila Hitt and Ruth Tucker. The Hi-Pro office staff had been in a temporary office located in the old Malouf Shopping Center since the tornado hit Hi-Pro's mill and offices on June 2, 1995.



UNPACKING OFFICE FILES....Linda Mason, a Hi-Pro office employee, is shown unpacking boxes after the company's recent move into their new office on East Highway 60.

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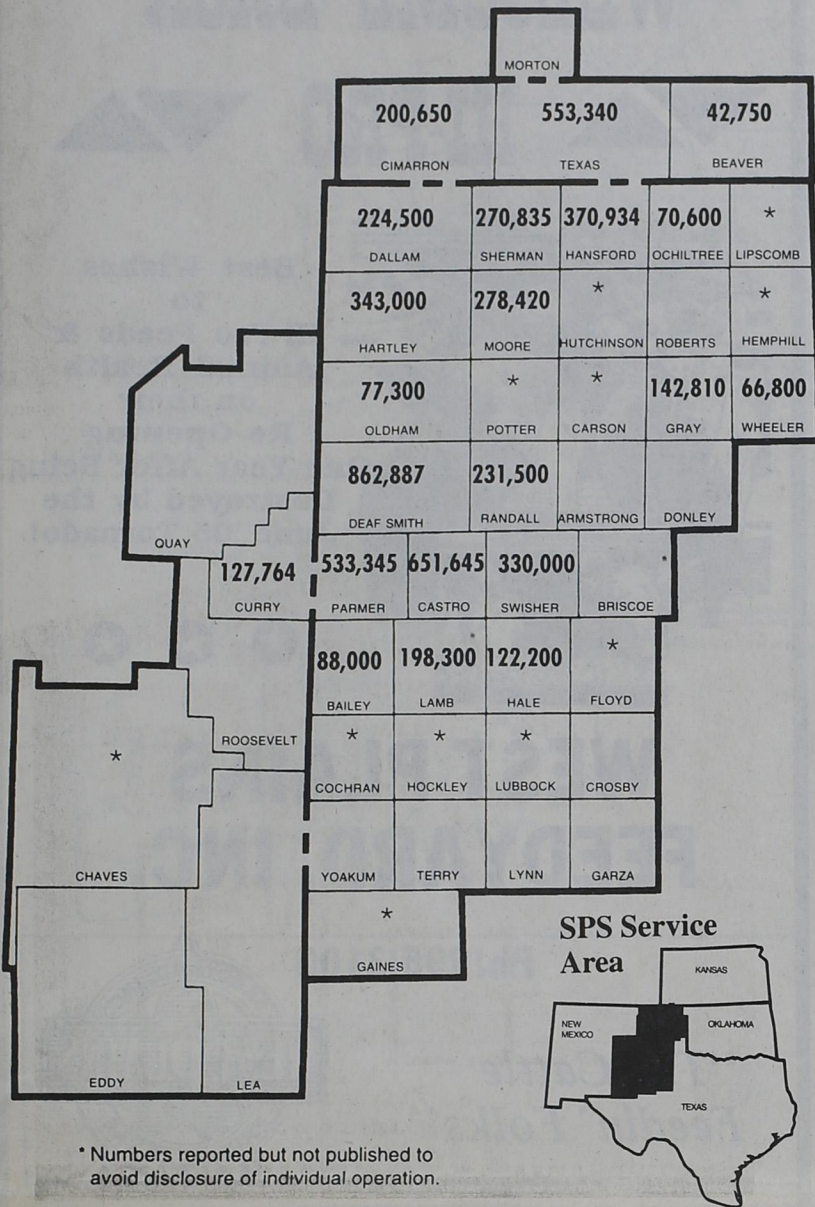
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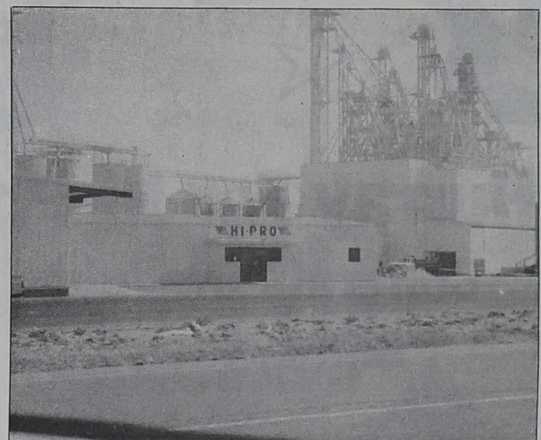
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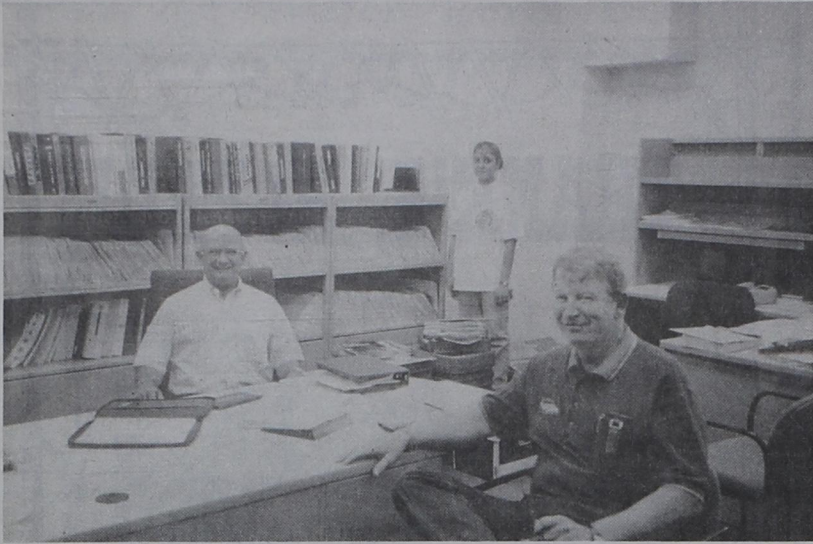


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HI-PRO OFFICIALS....Eldon Reeb (left) and Bill Stovell, Hi-Pro executives, are shown in their new offices on East Highway 60. Sonia Lopez (in background) was assisting in the re-arranging of office files.



HONORED....Jack Hamil (center), Hi-Pro general manager, recently recognized Joe Santellana (left) and Glen Salyer, for twenty years of service to Hi-Pro. The awards were to have been presented at Hi-Pro's annual company picnic which was cancelled due to the tornado damage suffered the afternoon of June 2, 1995. The pins managed to survive the "blow," and were presented late in 1995. "We're happy to have folks like Joe and Glen on our teams," Hamil said.

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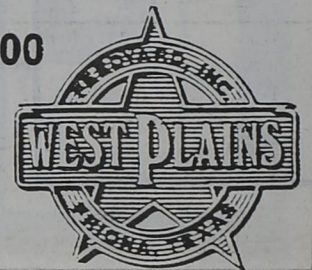


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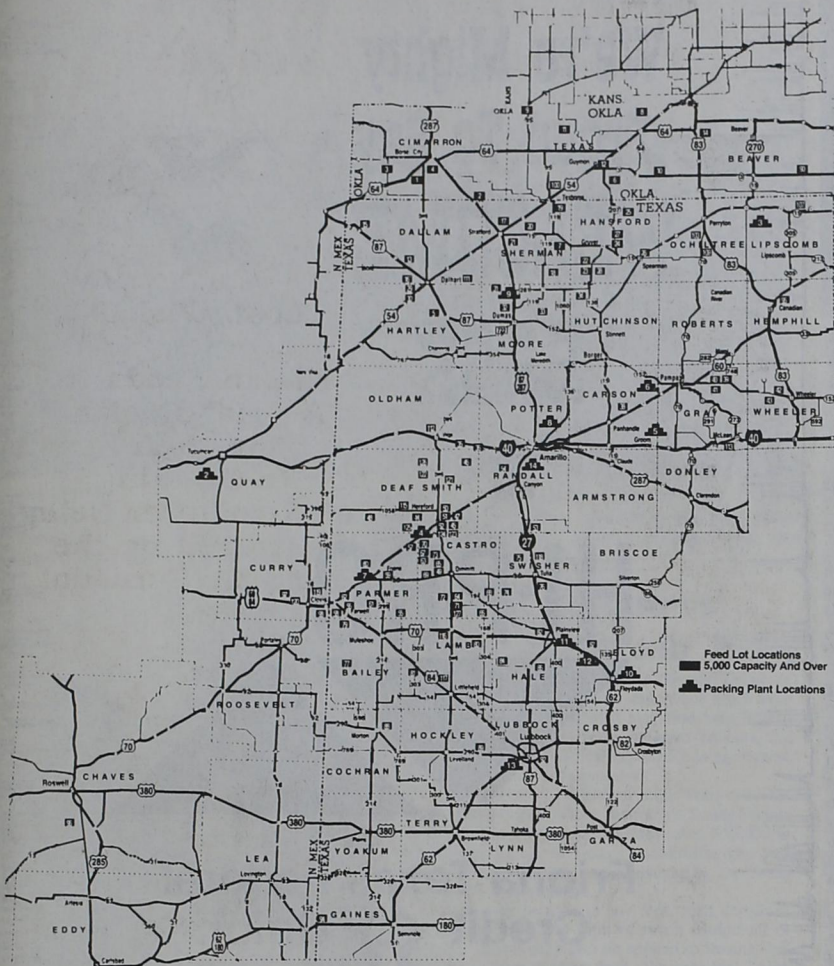
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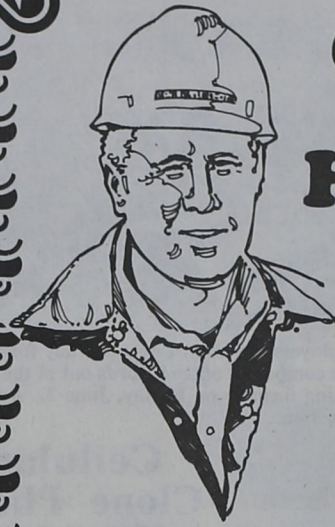
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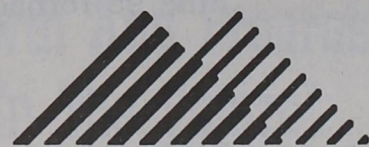


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ASSEMBLY LINE.....A group of Hi-Pro employees are shown here as they formed a brigade on Saturday, June 3, 1995, to pass the company's office records out of the vault that was left standing following the devastating tornado on Friday, June 2. A truck transported the records to a new temporary location.



DEJA-VUE.....Members of the Friona High School band volunteered to assist the people of Hi-Pro Feeds in moving into their new modern office. Those shown are (back to front) Alma Correa, Jason Slagle, DaLinda Black, Sherry Jubay and Brian Evans.

Cellular Clone Phone Warning

Projected to steal \$2 million daily in 1996, cellular phone "clones" are one of the latest frauds to steal from unsuspecting users, according to the Austin, Texas Better Business Bureau.

"Cloning" in this industry means that a cellular phone has been illegally reprogrammed with a stolen cellular account number. The cellular phone industry reported a daily loss of \$1 million in 1994 and a \$1.5 million-a-day loss to this kind of fraud last year.

To avoid becoming involved in cellular phone "clones", the BBB suggests only purchasing from authorized cellular phone carriers, and owners should keep cellular phone contracts in a secure place since these contain information about the phone's Electronic Signal Number (ESN).

Prompted by the ever-increasing theft, some cellular phone companies are taking additional steps to ensure their customers security. Ask the company from which you purchased your cellular phone if they have initiated protective measures.

If you're planning to buy a cellular phone, ask your nearest BBB for a list of reputable companies.

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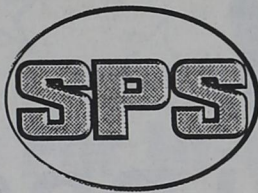
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LONGHORN LOVER....Linda Outland is shown with the pretty Texas Longhorn steer she and husband Jeff purchased recently. Linda is the daughter of longtime city manager Jake and Lorena Outland of Friona. Linda and her husband plan to publish a book on the history of longhorns.



FORMER FRIONANS HONORED.... The Medina Valley Soil and Water Conservation District held its annual awards program and banquet on Friday, April 26 in Hondo, Texas. Receiving a special award at the banquet was Rusty's Flying Service, owned by Rusty and Lea Lindeman, former Friona residents. Their parents are Homer Lindeman of Friona, Joy Trimble of Bovina, Clara Gast of Farwell and Jackie Looper.

Young Farmers' Loan Program Set

Men and women from 18 to 39 who dream of operating their own farm or ranch but don't have enough money to get started may find help from a state-backed loan guarantee program encouraging young people with practical experience in agriculture to go into business for themselves.

Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry said the Texas Agricultural Finance Authority's Young Farmer Loan Guarantee Program provides up to \$50,000 in financial assistance to Texans establishing their first farm or ranch. TAFE is administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture.

Funds may be used to buy feed, seed, fertilizer, livestock, poultry and farm or ranch equipment or facilities. Loans may also be applied to leasing—but not buying—farm or ranch land. For example, TAFE awarded one guarantee to a dairy employee who used his loan to buy cattle to build his own dairy herd. Another guarantee was awarded a man who plans to use the funds to lease land to raise corn and milo.

A recent American Farm Bureau Federation survey found that the availability of agricultural financing ranks as the third biggest challenge for young farmers and ranchers.

"It's not as easy to start up a farm or ranch as it used to be," said Perry. "The guarantee program tries to make it a little easier by backing loans from lending institutions to qualified young people."

The maximum loan guarantee is \$50,000 or 90 per cent of the loan amount, whichever is less.

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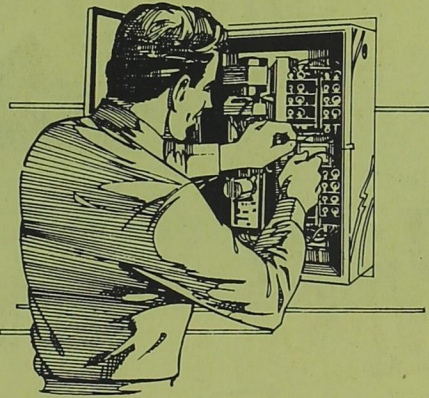
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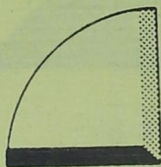
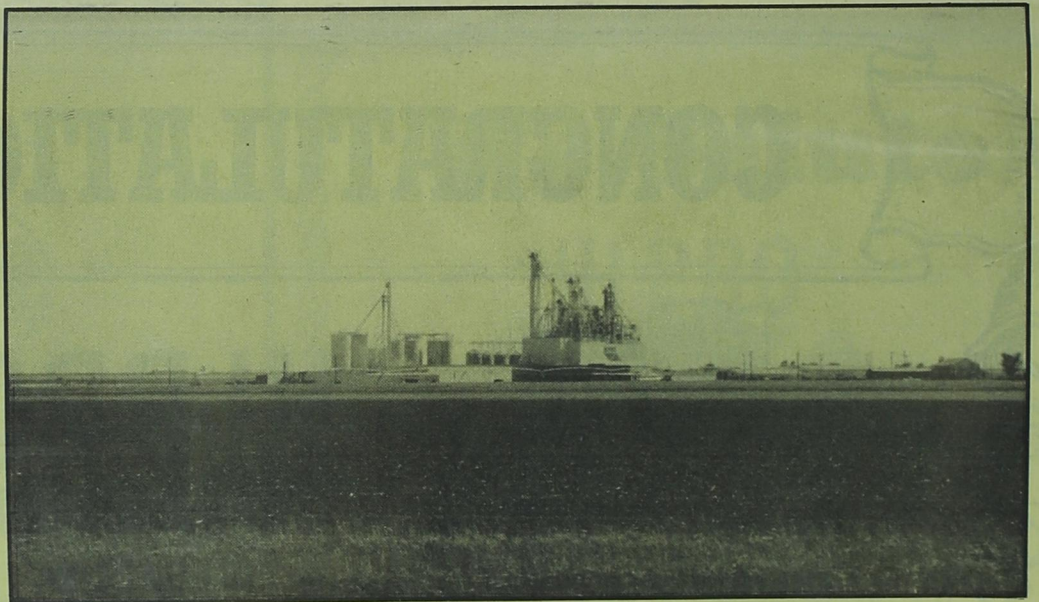
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