

MISS FRIONA 1994-95---LaTawn White won the crown of Miss Friona at last year's pageant. She is the daughter of Troy and Veca White. She will be relinquishing her title to the new queen at the 1995-96 Miss Friona Pageant this Saturday night.

The 2nd Oldest Business In Town **Local Paper Has Served Friona For Past 70**

Along with Friona's Annual Maize Days, The Friona Star is celebrating its Seventieth Annivers-ary this year. The Star is one of the oldest business firms in town, Friona State Bank being the only business older than the newspaper. The Friona Star has had a colorful history since its birth in July of 1925. Two editors stand out during these past 70 years. John W. "Uncle John" White, who was the founding editor/publisher of the paper, served in one capacity or another for 25 years. W. L. Bill Ellis came to Friona to edit the paper in 1962, and has served the community for the past 33 years.

paper in 1962, and has served the community for the past 33 years. Plus, there were several short-term editors at the paper in the years between White and Ellis. The newspaper was begun as a project of the Chamber of Commerce in 1925. Uncle John White was secretary of the Chamber and when he made light of the applicants for editor/publisher of the newspaper, his cronies on the Chamber board gave him the job. Credit for naming the Star was given to A.W. Henschel, who was president of Friona State Bank at the time, and was active in estab-

the time, and was active in estab-lishing the paper. Early editions of the paper were printed in Clovis N. M. Later the

Star was sold to Seth Holman, owner of the Hereford Brand who later sold out to the Nunn-Warren Publishing Company, which owned the Amarillo Daily-News and a score of other weekly newspapers. During this period of outside

score of other weekly newspapers. During this period of outside ownership, White continued to serve as editor for all but a year or so. Then in 1936, White became sole owner of the paper. But due to financial reasons, the paper was again sold to the *Hereford Brand* in 1940.

Uncle John White was the father of longtime Friona resident Orma of longtime Friona resident Orma Flippin. During hard times in the depression years, White allowed people to pay him with chickens, eggs or produce in exchange for their Star subscriptions and adver-tising. Those were lean times, but White was dedicated to giving the town a newspaner every week

White was dedicated to giving the town a newspaper every week, regardless of the circumstances. Bert Neelley, father of local resident Robert Neelley, purchased the paper in 1950 and he sold out in 1956 to the partnership of Joe Osborn (son of local resident Ilene and the late Sloan Osborn) and W.H. Graham Jr. of Farwell. Under the Osborn and Graham ownership, a new venture was

ownership, a new venture was conceived, and an offset printing plant was established in Friona to

print the Star the State Line Tribune of Farwell, and the Bovina Blade.

The plant was the first of its The plant was the first of its kind between Fort Worth and Denver, as Graham and Osborn proved to be pioneers in this field. Before long, scores of other weekly papers in the Panhandle area were also being produced in the Friona plant which employed about 40 records people.

people. The Friona Star had the honor in 1958 to be the first newspaper to be printed by the offset-press process in West Texas. Graham sold his interest in the Star to Osborn in 1963 and then Osborn sold the paper to Bill Ellis in 1968, after Ellis had served as editor for six years. editor for six years. The Star has won a roomful of

The Star has won a roomful of plaques, trophies and other awards through the years, both under the watchful eye of Graham-Osborn and Ellis. It has received area and statewide "General Excellence" awards, which is the top award in the newspaper industry, from the Panhandle Press Association, West Texas Press Association and the Texas Press Association. Texas Press Association.

The Star has also received the coveted "Community Service Award" from the West Texas Chamber of Commerce on two

occasions. Ellis is a past president and board member of the Panhandle Press Association.

Still believing in the pioneering spirit set forth by Uncle John White, Ellis made a notable change

in type-setting methods by changing over to computerized Compu-Graphic machines in 1972. They were fairly new at the time, but are now considered the "dinosaurs" of the industry. Typesetting was done on a photographic tape, which was then developed with dark-room chemicals, similar to developing camera film.

Then in 1975, the paper launched out and changed its format from the time-honored eight columns per page to six columns, a new, fresh look which was then copied by many of the *Star's* contemporaries. In fact, the six-column format is now used by 98 per cent of the nation's newspapers.

Another major change took place in 1991 when the *Star* got rid of the dinosaurs and went completely to "desktop" computer typesetting. The *Star* is now printed at Palo-Duro Offset, Inc. in Canyon, of which Bill Ellis is a director/stockholder.

The Star has been in its current location at 916 Main Street since

September of 1968, when Ellis became the owner. Ellis purchased the *Bovina Blade* in 1973. It is published in conjunc-tion with the *Friona Star*.

The *Star's* main goal is to bring its readers as much local news and pictures as possible each week, and provide a top advertising outlet for the merchants and residents. The editor seeks to put a positive outlook to the events and news of the community when possible, but of course, covering negative events, such as the recent tornado, are also part of the job.

part of the job. Newspaper work "gets in your blood," as evidenced by the long tenure records of editors J.W. White, 25 years; Bill Ellis, 33 years; writer June Floyd, 39 years; typesetter Vickie Copley, 26 years; and advertising director Lisa McLellan, 16 years. Ellis, Floyd, Copley and McLellan, total 114 years of newspaper service to the little city of Friona. In addition, the Dale Hart family has assisted by doing the addressing

has assisted by doing the addressing and mailing of the *Star* for the past 33 years. Daughter Holly Campbell has helped with this since she was a

LITTLE MISS FRIONA, Traci Blackburn, dau-ghter of David and Laura Blackburn was named Blackburn was named Friona's Little Miss for 1994-95. The new Little Miss will be crowned at the High School Auditorium next Tuesday evening.



Look For The Schedule Of Maize Days Events On Page 7, Section II.



THE STAR 1929---This photo was taken at Friona's first election of city officials in 1929. The election was held in the *star* office. Uncle John White, editor, was elected the town's first Mayor. He is shown seated at his typewriter. Others in the picture are Worth Weir and Henry Warren, election judges, and Mrs. White and Mrs. Weir.



AWARD WINNING PAPER...Friona Star editors, Carol and Bill Ellis are shown here in 1970 as they received the prestigious "Community Service Award" from F.V. Wallace of Amarillo, who was then president of the West Texas Chamber Of Commerce, serving a 132 county-wide area.

'65 Holds KHS lass

A large number of members of the Friona High School graduating class of 1965 met at the Ramada Inn in Amarillo at 2 p.m. Saturday for

the thirtieth class reunion. Festivities bega Festivities began with registration, refreshments, questions and answers. An evening meal was catered and the visiting and reminiscing continued far into the night. Some of the attendees added another meal to their get-together by meeting for breakfast Sunday morning

morning. Special guests were Don Light of Amarillo, a former Friona High School football coach and class sponsor; Joy Morton, who began her teaching career here the year these students were freshmen and served as class sponsor all four years they class sponsor all four years they vere in high school. Classmates present were: Bette

Jones Bass of Ashland, Alabama; Ron Brookfield of Del Camp, Maryland; Barbara Fallwell Bennett, of Larned, Kansas; Barbara Bracken Hill of Caddo Gap, Arkansas; Jim and Sheryl Long Snead of Albuquerque, New Mexico; and Milton Hargus of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Also Carol Struve Nicholson, Shreveport, La., Linda Rector

Also Carol Struve Nicholson, Shreveport, La., Linda Rector Raney, Antlers, OK; Merylene Massie Towle, Lake Bluff, IL and Doug Dodd, Enola, OK. Also Julia Dennis Mims, Ransom Canyon, TX; Bernie Deaton, Lubbock; Natalie Marruffo Duerop. Dalbart: Linda Davis

Lucero, Dalhart; Linda Davis Harding, Waco; Danny Murphree, Plainview; and Dixe Chitwood Jesko and Liz Drager Jesko, Muleshoe. Also, Jeannie Taylor Warner, Duncanville, TX; Kay McBroom

Moore , Odessa; Jackie Clark, Cypress, TX; Johnny Mabry, Allen, Tx; Neal Lyles, Spring, Tx; Joyce Houlette Houston and Janell Daniel Miller, Dumas.

Also Darrell Anthony, Bobby Perkins, Sharon England, Robert Stewart, Douglas Gaines, and Barbara Lloyd Wood, all of Amarillo.

Also the following Frionans: Mike Wilson, George Rushing, Jackie Stowers, Keith Black, Gary Hand, Mike Stephens, Lynn Wilson Nelson, John Taylor, Kenny Ford, Ted Osborn, Karen Osborn Renner, and B.K. Buske.

George Rushing, spokesman for the class, reported, : "We had a wonderful time and those who missed this affair just should have been with us."



LODGE MEMBER RECEIVES 50-YR AWARD..... Robert McFarland was presented a 50-year service award by the Friona Masonic Lodge 1332. McFarland, a former resident of Friona who now resides in Tucumcari, NM, was presented a 50-year-pin and a life time membership by the Masonic Grand Lodge of Texas.

Chamber Invites **Entries For The Feedyard Rodeo**

One Maize Days event which is being sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce the chamber of Commerce promises to be a real "Hoot!" It is the Feedyard Rodeo scheduled for Saturday, September 16, at 6:30 p.m. at the Rodeo Arena

Teams of three people are needed for the "Calf Dressing" event and local organizations, groups or businesses may participate. Interested parties should call the Chamber office at 247-3491 3491

The Chamber has put out a "Last Call" for entries in this event and will be accepting entries for a few more days. This should be a lot of fun for both the participants and for both the participants and the audience, so get your teams together and plan to enter ASAP!





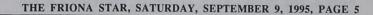
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AMBER L'DAWN MARTIN, sixteen year old daughter of Larry and Judy Martin, is being sponsored in the Miss Friona Pageant by Friona State Bank. Her talent is playing the piano. Amber is 5'6" tall, has blonde hair and blue eyes. She is a junior student of Frione High School junior student at Friona High School.

Area Firm Is Adding **Computer Department**

West Texas Rural Telephone Cooperative is now offering computer sales and service in the local region through its new

Computer Division. W T R T c o m p u t er programmer/technicians, Allen Hyer and Heath Urbanczyk, staff the Computer Division that is operating within the WTRT offices on South Highway 385 in Hereford.

Computer Division personnel will help customers to select what they need, and can order it for them. If the customer can get a better price on computer equipment somewhere else, they will be encouraged to do so. The WTRT Computer Division will stand ready to assist patrons once they obtain their sociations. their equipment.

Computer repair service related to electrical problems and normal wear-and-tear will be provided. The Computer Division will be able to order a variety of brands of PCs and PC-related equipment for homes or businesses, along with programs, printers, modems and other computer supplies.

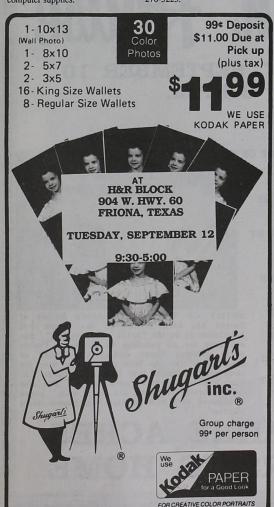
Hyer and Urbanczyk became acquainted through a computer club in Hereford. Allen bought his first computer at age 12, using funds from his newspaer route, and Heath made his first computer purchase at age 14, using income from mowing

lawns. Allen began working part-time

Alten began working par-time for WTRT at age 15, and was a full-time employee by 1989. Heath completed three years of computer science courses at West Texas State University in Canyon and was employed by WTRT in 1990 1990.

In addition to writing numerous computer programs for WTRT and its subsidiaries since WTRT and its subsidiaries since their employment with the cooperative, they have also worked "after hours" for several years performing programming and repairs for a Hereford computer shop, and custom programming and system set-up for various local businesses

businesses. The WTRT Computer Division can be contacted at (806) 276-5225.





My wife, Cindy, had a birthday last week. I won't tell you which one, but I will tell you it reminded me of one of my least favorite chores.

Shopping for a greeting card. Like most men, I do not like to shop for anything. But trying to find a greeting card with an appropriate message can be an

especially frustrating experience. For instance, Cindy and I have been married about seven years. This is her first marriage, but not mine, and there is a 17-year age difference.

mine, and there is a 17-year age difference. None of that is a big deal to us. Until we try to find an appropriate greeting card for a birthday or anniversary. Wives don't like humorous cards from husbands. So we are stuck with those slick, expensive, cards that have lace on them, and messages that gush on about 'to a wonderful wife and an enduring partnership that will last forever". Of course, we are usually buying a card like that right after we had beer with the boys the night before and left "wonderful woman" home by herself with the kids. (Speaking of kids, they are the easiest to buy cards for. Buy them any kind of card you like, just put at least a \$5 bill inside.) And what is the deal with putting animals on the front of greeting cards? Especially cats. I'm sorry, but two cats laying on their backs playing with a ball of yarn is not what I want on the front of a greeting card. Hey, Hallmark, not everybody in the world loves cats.

Hey, Hallmark, not everybody in the world loves cats. Even saw one card with a cow

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on the front. The message inside was "Hope you have an <u>udderly</u>

moovelous birthday". Only out here would someone

Only out here would someone appreciate that one. Buying cards for friends you don't see very often is easy. There is a variety of "I miss you" cards. Besides, friends and relatives that live far away just appreciate hearing something from you. Even if there was a picture of a pig or an alligator on the front. alligator on the front.

Other kinds of cards I don't like to receive. Those that have a like to receive. Those that have a nice long poem message written by some woman named Helen Steiner Rice. I don't know Helen Steiner Rice, I want to hear words from whoever is sending the card. A Helen Steiner Rice card says "I don't have much of my own stuff to say, so I got this lady that neither one of us knows to send you a message." Another rage these days are

Another rage these days are cards that list events that happened in the year you were born. This is a no-brainer and a safe-bet for people who don't like to shop for cards. Mine says something about Moses and the Red Sea. And don't you hate to get a card

And don't you hate to get a card from someone when they just sign their name. They let the message on the card do the talking and just sign their first name at the bottom. This is usually a card you get from someone you haven't heard from in a year

Then there is Christmas. You get cards that have names pre-printed in them. "Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays. The Carr Family", all printed nice and neat in block letters. At least they use red

ink for the spirit of the season. Over the years, I have learned to keep a spare box of Christmas cards, just in case I get one from

cards, just in case I get one from someone I haven't sent one to. Parents, please tell your young married children. The only people that want to get those photo cards of Bill and Sally with one-year-old Lucy, all dressed alike and posed by the fireplace with their golden retreiver, Buffy, is the immediate family and some close friends their age. age.

I you do family photo cards, just order about 10 of them. Or at least put a full explanation of who you are if you send me one. "Oh, look at this, honey, haven't those children grown?" "Yes, they certainly have, honey. Who are they?" Men don't even like to be seen buying a card. Women keep files of them for any occasion. Some creative person could get rich writing cards and messages that more closely resemble the way us men talk.

more closely resented the way to men talk. "Honey, it's not my fault your birthday falls on the first day of dove season. You know I love you and the kids and my bird dogs too.

and the kids and my one dogs loc. Have a good one." How about this from the female side. "Darling, even though you forgot my birthday again, I got you this card. Happy Birthday.

I guess when it is all said and done, just be sure to remember those special to you by sending your own personal message. Halloween is coming up. Surely there is someone you want to say "BOO!" to.

Dear Sirs: Our Rhea-Hollene Volunteer Fire Department is having a raffle in an attempt to earn some much needed funds to support our Fire

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Department. There will be two winners with each of them receiving one-half beef.

beef. The drawing will be held September 16 at Maize Days. You do not need to be present to win. If you would like to participate in our raffle, please send \$5 for each ticket you would like to purchase to: Deborah Zaikowski, Rt. 2, Friona, Tx., 79035. Thank you so very much, Deborah Zaikowski Dear Bill, ***** Most everyone knows that I

Deborah Zaikowski Dear Bill, ***** Most everyone knows that I will be moving back to Duncan, Oklahoma about September 16. This seems to be the thing to do, all things considered. Before I go, there's one more thing I would like to share with everyone. Tonya Gober, our school coordinator, called me and asked if I would take part in an assembly honoring the 50th anniversary of victory in Europe (V.E. Day) and, of course, I said I would. She invited three veterans, Cordie Potts, Jack Patterson and Porter Roberts, to share some of their experiences as members of the

Porter Roberts, to share some of their experiences as members of the Armed Forces. I was to wrap it up by telling how we at home managed during those war years. Because I sat on the stage I could see the faces of the high school students and the reception the speakers received. Those kids were spellbound and we all received standing ovations. One girl told me she could have listened all day. Tonya is to be commended for planning such an inspiring

planning such an inspiring program. Let's hope this becomes an annual tradition. Sincerely, June Rhodes

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English Native Takes One Last Look Back

By ANNE SPRING

By ANNE SPRING A couple of years ago, while reminiscing about World War II, I told two Friona veterans that it boggled the mind to imagine hem defending the USA. Just kidding, of course, but in the 1990s they looked like Uncle Sam's very last line of defense. line of defense

Ah, but fifty years ago--they were handsome, uniformed heroes off to win another "war to end all wars." The golden anniversary of the end of that terrible conflict seems like a good time to make my peace with the doughty pair and to remember other G.I.s it has been my privilege to know. In 1943, the British Isles were

In 1943, the British Isles were invaded by thousands of young men from the new world who were preparing for the invasion of Europe and the overthrow of Adolph Hitler's regime. Many of them were teenage boys barely out of high school, whe hed trougled no forther from

who had travelled no farther from home than their local county

They were outgoing, they were bashful, they boasted of the wonders of their U.S. and stared in awe at the old world's castles and cathedrals. They were great fun to be with and didn't the English girls fall for the lies and "lines" they handed out? The "Yanks" were readily

adopted into English families. They spoke the same language-almost--most English folks had relatives in the U.S. and, but for some mistaken nonsense about taxes, the U.S. was rightfully a British Colony.

The boys liked to eat meals with local families and sit around coal fires on freezing, black-out nights to talk about "Mom" and "Pop" and "back home." They were generous with cans of Spam, orange juice or candy bars for the children -- much coveted items when almost every food stuff was rationed.

The G.I.s ran afoul of English



S/SGT. F.L. SPRING

language and customs sometimes but it made for laughter in later years. They referred to small fry as "cute little buggers" only to meet with shocked looks as "bugger" is a

swear word in England. Then there was S/Sgl. F.L. Spring who had never seen salt in a cellar (small glass dish) before (too damp for shakers in England). He put a heaping teaspoon of salt into his cup, almost choked, and couldn't stop apologizing for wasting the tea ration. D-Day, June 6th, 1944, found

We knew the invasion was imminent but still it was a great stomach-twisting shock as we heard reports of the allied landings in Normandy and the long, long lists of casualties of casualti

All day the churches were filled An day the churches were finded with people lighting candles and sending up prayers. It seemed so stupid to be wasting the brightest and best youth of the world even German--on those blood-soaked beaches of France

They said that "God was on our side and we would win." Thankfully we won, at terrible cost, and, if God was around, he must have been tut-tutting at the stupidity of it all.

Several of our family G.I.s

didn't make it home and I remember

them with fondness and sadness. "San Antone" and Arnold from Brooklyn--They had been on a punishment detail and arrived on our street in an army truck. They were supposed to fill the truck with rubble from a bombed house opposite ours. Being inventive souls they paid a bunch of local kids to do the work in exchange for chewing gum while they visited a local pub.

Iocal pub. Steve, from Omaha--was the sergeant who drove the truck. He went off to visit his girlfriend. When it was time to leave it was pouring down rain, the truck wouldn't start and the three G.I.s camped out in our house eating supper and waiting for a nart. They supper and waiting for a part. They were frequent visitors after that.

Lofty, whose father was a preacher in Alabama--(You mean a minister? Yup!) Everywhere Lofty went he bought Bibles to ship home to Pa. I think he bought them. He liked "hymnals, ancient and modern." He must have, as he stole one from our church. "The Professor".-from New

"The Professor"--from New Jersey. I can't remember his real name. He was older than most of the boys, wore tiny G.I. glasses and liked to sit by the fire and read. He had an unending supply of pictures of his two children and his home in Trenton.

Then there was "Stretch"--one of my favorites. I'm not sure where he came from but he had a slow, drawling accent and told the wildest

stories about alligators. He took me to the movies several times and once he brought several times and once ne brought me a large rag doll dressed in green satin. Some woman in a pub had sold it to him at a scalper's price. I named the doll, "Eleanor" after you-know-who, and she still lives in England with my sister. I would be walking along the

street with Stretch when he would suddenly disappear and I would find him sitting on the cross bar of a high lampost and waving at me.

He was completely daft but lots of fun.

I remember my G.I.s with fond nostalgia. They loved life and deserved better than Providence dished out to them. I wish they had been alloted bright futures and grandchildren.

I look at our city park memorial stone and realize some of the heartbreak our local families endured at the loss of their loved

ones, so long ago. But hey! Baker and Pudge, I'm glad you defended the U.S. of A. Glad you made it safely home. Can't imagine Friona without you or our many other local vets. You have all given so much to the Panhandle way of life, in both personal accomplishments and the raising of fine families. Mostly I am thankful that my

favorite G.I., S/Sgt. F.L. Spring, made it home, and, though it took awhile, I did, too.



AMERICANS ABROAD.....Two young American "GIs" were captured by the camera in Trafalgar Square, London, England, on March 3, 1944. On the left is the late Lee Spring, prior to his medical career. On the right is D. C. Collier, also from a Friona family. D.C. is a brother to current First Baptist pastor, Joe Hubb Collier.



WITH SQUADRON....S/Sgt Lee Spring of Friona is shown with his 368th Communications Fighter Squadron while stationed in England. Spring is the fourth from the left, back row, l-r. Notice the row is offset. Counting "faces" rather than rows, Spring is the ninth "face" from the left, back row.



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DOUBLE YOUR GAME NOTICE

Play Texas Bonus Card Before It Folds.

That's right, folks, Texas Bonus Card (Game #33) is down to its last few hands. Even though we'll deal that last card on September 1, 1995, you've got until February 28, 1996 to claim your prize. Match three dollar amounts to win. And if you get dealt the bonus card, you could walk away with up to \$10,000.

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Friona Art Association To Hold Annual Maize Days Art Show

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Friday, Sept. 1 Saturday, Sept. 2 Sunday, Sept. 3

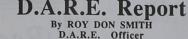
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Annual Matze Days Art ShowFriona Art Association has
announced that they will hold the
annual Friona Fall Art Show at the
Old Depot in the City Park in
conjunction with Maize Days, from
Saturday, September 9 through
Saturday, September 16.compulsary \$10.00 membership fee
to participate in the show.
Entries should be brought to the
dopt on September 9 between the
hours of 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Paintings will be judged Sunday
afternoon, September 10. There
will be an artists' reception at the
Depot following the judging from
4 p.m. to 5:30 when awards and
critiques will be presented.
Judge for the show will be Tom
Boutell of Muleshoe.

drawings.

There will be first, second, third and honorable mention awarded in each category, plus "Best of Show" and "People's Choice." Prizes will be ribbons, rosettes, and certif-icates. Three merchant's awards are being offered by Mr. Marcos Frames of Farwell, Don's After-Hours Photo Shop and The Friona Star. There will be first, second, third

Star. The entry fee is \$5.00 per painting and there is no limit to the number that can be entered by each participant. FAA is affiliated with the Tri-State AA organization of WTAAUL, which encourses WTAMU which requires a



The ladies self defense class is on!!! We will be in the Jr. High Band Hall, under the airconditioning. The class will begin at 9 a.m.

and run until lunch. The schedule should give ladies

The schedule should give ladies plenty of time to get ready for the Miss Friona Pageant. The instructor will be Tim Jo from Amarillo and is considered one of the best in the field. If you have any questions please call the Friona Police Department or 265-3257, and leave a message. On Saturday, September 16. D.A.R.E will sponsor a pie contest in the park.

in the park. The categories will be: 2 crust fruit pie, cobbler, cream pie, and miscellaneous. Ribbons will be awarded to the top 4 winners in each group. The pies will be sold to help raise money for the T-shirts for this

By ROY DON SMITH D.A.R.E. Officer

year's program in Friona. The contest is open to everyone. We are well on the way to raising the money needed, thanks to a generous donation from the book

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bank. D.A.R.E. will have booths set up again and the money will be used for the program in Friona. Come by and support the kids. I am working on the next activity night. September is very busy with Maize Days, the start of football and school. I hope to get started as soon as possible. I will be adding a time for high school this year. Look for something special around October. Through all the garbage, the

special around October. Through all the garbage, the work, the long nights, the victories, and defeats, one thing has remained constant: THE KIDS. When you boil all the extra goodies out of the program, what you end up with is THE KIDS. We can't lose focus on why we have this great program. THE

have this great program..THE KIDS. If I reach just one, I've accomplished more than I ever

accomplished more than 1 ever dreamed. If I reach that one, the program will be worth every penny. We must continue to improve and expand the program. We must try to reach each and every kid who needs a helping hand. We must stay in touch with the kids and their needs needs

We must continue to assess our goals and apply what ever it takes to reach them...Officer Smith.

A Gift to the MEMORIAL PROGRAM gets a long way in cancer control. 1-800-ACS-2345 Chiefs Top Dumas; **Ready For Opener**

The Friona Chieftains were chomping at the bit and ready to tee it up in their season opener, as they travelled to North Amarillo on Friday (September 9) to face the River Road Wildcats The series between River Road and Friona has included a variety of cliff-hanger results. Last season, the 'Cats scored a touchdown with 1:30 left in the game to edge Friona, 27-20. The previous year a field goal with four seconds remaining toppled the Chieftains, 17-15, when it looked like Friona might make off with a 15-14 win. "River Road is real big and physical. They are a different team from last year's, and not quite as skilled. They'll be tough up front," said Coach James Morton. Last year's Wildcat eleven made it to the area round, having staged a fantastic 28-point fourth-quarter to score a win to advance in the playoffs. The Chieftains beat the Dumas Demons, three touchdowns to one in their second controlled scrimmage last Friday at Dumas.

The Chieftains beat the Dumas Demons, three touchdowns to one in their second controlled scrimmage last Friday at Dumas. Scoring running touchdowns for the Chiefs were Rusty Simmons, Shane Blackburn and Lance Looper. "Kyle Grimsley did a good job running the offense, and the defense also played well," Morton said. Coach Mario Martinez singled out linebacker Rusty Simmons, Lance Looper, defensive end Quint Ellis and safety David Shelby for their defensive efforts. The team was expected to be near neak physical condition for the

The team was expected to be near peak physical condition for the opening game. * * * * * * * * * *

FRIONA CHIEFTAINS SCHEDULE				
Sept. 8	River Road	There	8:00	
Sept. 15	Tucumcari	There	8:00	
Sept. 22	Springlake	Here	8:00	
Sept. 29	Dalhart	Here	8:00	
Oct. 6	Tulia (HC)	Here	8:00	
Oct. 13	Shallowater*	There	7:30	
Oct. 20	Muleshoe*	There	7:30	
Oct. 27	Dimmitt*	Here	7:30	
Nov. 3	Littlefield*	There	7:30	
Nov. 10 *District 2-3A Games	Floydada*	Here	7:30	

Books Re-Ordered; Get On The List The first order of the book "Mommy's Little Angels," shared by The Friona Star and Bi-Wize Drug, was sold out in a few days this week, and another order was made.

Please come by or call the Star (247-2211) or Bi-Wize (247-3010) to get on a "waiting list," so we can get a guage as to how many we need. Thank you for your patience.



Boutell of Muleshoe. Entries should be picked up on Saturday, September 16 after 3

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CASSONDRA LEE MEN-DOZA'S sponsor in the Little Miss Friona Pageant is Friona Rural Health Clinic (Dr. R.S. Alexander). She is the five year old daughter of Rudy and Norma Mendoza.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Week of September 10-16

Friona residents having birhdays next week are: September 10--Kyle Potts, Glenn E. Reeve, Jr., Gigi Spring, Mike Ellis, Katie Lou Eddins Parker, Adrienne Anthony, Paul Wilshire.

Wilshire. September 11--Shawn Osborn, Maria Mejia, Jeffery Coker. September 12--Dee Ann Hutson, Hailey Rector, Wade Carson, Alesia Tucker, Charley Dee Saiz, David Behrendsen. September 13. Achley Duka

Sarz, David Behrendsen. September 13--Ashley Duke, Ty Van Potts, John Tate McFarland, Misty Drake, Mike Hanes, Karen Sirnic, Valerie Chilton, Kayla Wyly. September 14--Jerry Hinkle, Chad Hamilton.

Chad Hamilton. September 15--Ramyrrl Ran-dolph, Mamie Lou Welch, Nedra Cash, Jana Renner, Eddie Gauna, Paul Fant, Jeff Landrum, Troy Young, T.A. Kelley, Betty Wiseman, Michael Wilhelm, Lorri Garza, Jessica Lynn Alexander. September 16--Angela Kube, Brandon Petree, Marie Sanders, Sarita Gay Reeve, Ronald Walker, Mark Anthony, Jean Hamilton,

Mark Anthony, Jean Hamilton, Dallas Fleming, Brian Blackburn.

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



JORDAN LEIGH MONROE JORDAN LEIGH MONROLE is the five year old daughter of Alan and Leigh Monroe. Friona Wheat Growers Fer-tilizer is sponsoring her in the Little Miss Friona



Best Wishes

To Katharyn Anthony,

Pageant

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MARY FRANCES CASS is 5'5" tall, has red hair and green eyes. She is a senior at Friona High and green eyes. She is a senior at Friona High School. Mary Frances is seventeen years old and the daughter of Jerry and Karene Cass. Byron Boyd's Law Office is sponsoring her in the Miss Friona Pageant. She will sing with tape accompaniment.



LEIGH AUSTIN is being sponsored in the Little Miss Friona Pageant by Kathryn Gurley, Attorney. Her parents are Kenny and Lori Austin and she is five years old.



KATHARYN SUE AN-THONY, six year old daughter of Mark and Belinda Anthony, is being sponsored in the Little Miss Friona Pageant by Circle A Trucking Pageant Trucking



retired.

Richard reported that they would be spending more time in the mountains during the summer, but didn't expect to be there much during the cold winter months.

Richard was a longtime local attorney and civic leader, and Janette

was employed by Claborn Floral for a number of years. They asked to be remembered by all of their

Monday evening after spending a long weekend assisting their son, Jeff, with a Christian Bible Camp

at Kearney, Nebraska, where he his employed by Hi-Pro Feeds. Enroute home the Procters came by way of Oklahoma City and

spent several hours with their daughter, Jenny, who is a senior at Oklahoma Christian University.

Gary and Barbara Brown spent the Labor Day weekend visiting in the home of Jeff and Meredith Brown, who live in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Out-of-town guets in the home of Jim and Sherry Atwell over the Labor Day weekend were her father, Kenneth Carson, who lives in Clovis and Louis and Kenda Dunnam and children, Alex and Keeley of Springlake Texas

Friona's two branches of the

Keeley, of Springlake, Texas.

near Colorado City, Texas.

Darrell and Anita Harris returned home Saturday evening after spending ten days with his mother, Cleone Harris, who lives

Ron and Libby Procter returned

Friona friends.

Little Zachary Martz and his parents, Scott and Kim, came up from Dallas and spent a few days visiting in the home of Wesley and Doice Perratt Doris Barnett.

While they were here the Barnetts hosted a family cook-out Barnetts hosted a family cook-out in their back yard. Out-of-town guests were Gay and Harold Clark of Dumas and Sunny and Callie Ratliff, who live in Lubbock. Frionans attending were Hollis and Lunell Horton, John and Kathryn Gurley and Ricky and Erin Barnett.

Barnett.

The Martz family will be moving from Dallas to Lima, Ohio, where he has accepted a position as a Physician's Assistant to medical doctor.

Jim and Sheryl Snead of Albuquerque, New Mexico were Sunday night guests in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R.E. Snead.

Leonard and Jo Nettles, former Friona residents, were honored with a Golden Wedding Anniversary reception in New Home, Saturday. Hosts were Dr. and Mrs. Alan Neece of Abilene and Danny

Nettles, also of New Home. Mrs. Neece is the former Charlotte Nettles

Frionans attending were Sue, Cheryl, Ted and Glenda Procter and Joy and Sterling Graham. *****

Out-of-town house guests in the home of Dale and Teto Milner last weekend were Archie, Donna and Daniel Echols, who are former Friona residents. At the present time, Archie and Donna are living in Abilene, Texas,

where he is pastoring a Methodist Church. Daniel is serving as pastor of two Methodist churches--one at Ropesville and one at Meadow. Carol and Bill Ellis and Jo and

Fairchild family had out-of-town guests over the weekend. Orville Fairchild, a brother of the late Hap Lee Witten spent a long fun weekend with Richard and Jeannette Collard at their summer home near and Carl Fairchild, and his daughter, Orletta, came down from Denver. They were house guests in the

Town Talk

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home of Julia Fairchild and also visited Billie Fairchild.

Johnnie and Phyllis Fairchild Parker came up from Andrews, Texas: David, Laura, Mitchell, Daniel and Traci Blackburn came down from Amarillo and Larry and Paula Fairchild were here from Adrian

Adrian. Other family members living here include Tammy and Mark Gammon and sons, Heath and Matthew; Mike and Johnna Blackburn and children, Shane and Blackburn; Rex and Chuck Blackburn; and Mike and Lynn Hutson and sons, Chance and Chad.

Leon Talley, who spent about twenty-four hours in the local hospital was back in his office at Sixth Street Church of Christ,

Tuesday morning. Tests revealed that his problem was with his digestive system and not with his heart.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Goodman of San Antonio, Texas were weekend visitors in the home of her parents, Andy and Kathleen Carr, who live in the Hub community.



STEFANIE TIRADO is the five year old daughter of Salud and Angie Tirado. VFW Post 1413 and Ladies Auxiliary is sponsoring her in the Little Miss Friona Pageant. Courtesy is an investment which pays regular dividends in friendship.

accompanied by two grandsons, Andrew and Jonathan Goodman of Lubbock.

Powell is the former Jeanine

Don and Janice Wright Loafman came up Sunday for a visit with their parents, Loy and Vuthill Loafman and Juanita

Troy and Nicole Potts Talley, who live in Lubbock, spent the weekend visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Potts of the Rhea community and Mr. and Mrs. Leon Talley of Friona.

Nicole, a spring graduate of Texas Tech University, is beginning her teaching career in the

Ralls Public School system and her husband is a senior at Tech.

Jarboe.

Wright.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Powell and sons of Amarillo were weekend visitors in the home of her parents, Tom and Bettye Jarboe. Mrs.



BRITNEY MALDONADO is BRITNEY MALDONADO is being sponsored in the Little Miss Friona Pageant by Big Boy Pizza. She is the five year old daughter of Andrew and Cindy Maldonado.



It is our pleasure to introduce you to our Little Miss Contestants--Blair Smiley will represent Growers this year and Jordan Monroe will represent Wheat Growers Fertilizer.





BLAIR SMILEY

IORDAN MONROE

BEST WISHES To each one of you, We think you are both winners!

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Church Renovations Are Begun

After the services last Sunday, September 3, members of the First United Methodist Church said farewell to the old sanctuary and began hauling away the pews.

Planned renovation of the sanctuary will begin on Monday, Septemer 11, and should be completed in 10 weeks, according to Reverend Lee Roark.

to Reverend Lee Roark. The church hopes to hold its first service in the new sanctuary on Sunday, November 19. During renovation, there will be two services each Sunday. An 8:30 a.m. service in the Chapel will be followed by a coffee hour

hour Regular 11 a.m. services will held in the fellowship hall

during the construction. Sunday school will remain at the normal time of 9:45 a.m.

All members are encouraged to attend one of the Sunday services and to be faithful during this period of sanctuary renovation.



JORDAN LEIGH JAMER-SON, six year old daughter of Ken and Tracy Jamerson, is being sponsored in the Little Miss Friona Pageant by State Farm Insurance.

Members of the Modern Study Club met at the Club House on September 5 for their first meeting

of the club year. A salad supper was provided by the program committee to the seventeen members who were present. Nellie Shelton, president,

presided over the baction, presided in, presided over the bactions meeting. Iona Cook, treasurer, reported on the successful garage sale held by the club and also previewed the upcoming fund raisers.

Roll call was answered with "I am excited about the club year because ...

because..." New yearbooks were issued by the program committee. A sing-a-long was led by Eva Miller and Donna Mears. The Club Collect was led by Barbara Symank. The annual Country Store and Photography Show will be held September 15 and 16 in the Hospital Auxiliary building on

Modern Study Club Hosts Country Store

The Modern Study Club of Friona (1931-1995) will open the Country Store again during the Maize Days celebration. The club has operated their Country Store every year of Maize Days.

Days. Proceeds from the sale of arts,

crafts, baked goods, canned goods, jams and jellies, go to support many area groups. The members of the Modern

The members of the Modern Study Club will open the Country Store in the Hospital Auxiliary Building on Main Street, just south of the Chamber of Commerce. The Country Store will be open on Friday & Saturday, September 15 & 16. Hours are 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Friday, and 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday.

p.m. Saturday. The club will also sponsor a photography show. Entries will be

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being our "Little Miss"

contestant in the

We love you, and

wish you the best

of luck!

pageant.

accepted between 12 p.m.-6 p.m. on Thursday September 14. Cost is \$1.00 per entry. Judging will be held on Friday. More information is available from Elizabeth Gore, 295-6188.

on the sidewalk to the Country Store during Maize Days for food, crafts, fresh vegetables, and even wild flower seeds.

Sources say that you will want to sample Eva Miller's famous cinammon rolls and buy some cheese cake by the slice with coffee or lemonate

or lemonade. Tickets will be on sale for a king-size log cabin quilt that will be raffled for Christmas at the

Go by the Country Store as you have a good time at Maize Days.

Thank You

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MOVING PEWS---John Mars and Bob Hurst are **** Methodist Church pews from the United Methodist Church prior to the beginning of renovation of the sanctuary. Members purchased the old pews and began hauling them off last Sunday.

Modern Study Club Kicks Off New Year Main Street. Entries in the photo show will be accepted between 12 noon and 6

p.m. on Thursday, September 14. All amateur photographers are invited to enter, Entries must be at least 5x7 and ready to hang. Please do not bring pictures which have been shown in this show in previous years.

Fourteen In **Miss Friona** Pageant

The Miss Friona Pageant is scheduled for Saturday, September 9, at 7:00p.m. Fourteen beautiful y, at Acopin. Fourteen beautiful girls will be competing for the Miss Friona title. Competition Saturday afternoon and evening will be at the Friona High School Auditorium.

The 1995 entrants and their

The talent portion of the pageant will be held at 2:00 p.m. and the winner will be announced

that evening. During the evening

Tickets are available at the r. Price is \$5 for adults and \$3

sponsors are: Sponsors are: Heather Martin--Parmer County Pump Co., Jamie Stokes--Kathryn Gurley, Atty., Julie Goddard--Ingram's Department Store, Blaire Jones--Kendrick Oil Co., Janet Rector--Noon Lions Club, Amber Martin--Friona State Bank, Mary Frances Cass--Byron Boyd, Atty. Also, Diandra Jo LaFuente--Monty's Flowers & Gifts, Amber Grantham--Branding Iron Cafe, Michel Rodriguez--Friona State Bank, Courtney Carthel--Judy Cummings Insurance, Rachel Mejia, Ethridge-Spring Agency, Inc., Yvette Aguirre--Du.'s After Hours Photography. The talent portion of the progenet will be held at 2000 n.m Heather Martin--Parmer Be sure to follow the footprints

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intermission, a pie supper will be available. Pie will be \$2 per slice, including coffee or tea.

for students.

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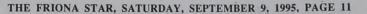
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IKE STEVENS Don't Put Off Investing 'Til Tomorrow

John Smith plans to begin investing after he saves up a bunch of cash and when conditions are "just right."

"just right." Jane Doe, on the other hand, invests \$50 every month in a mutual fund that meets her objectives for safety and growth. Who has a better chance of building up a large nest egg? Investing does not require expert timing or big sums of cash. Too often, individuals put off beginning an investment program.

Too often, individuals put off beginning an investment program, thinking they need to accumulate a large initial deposit and invest it at just the right time. On the contrary, systematically investing small sums of money on a regular basis through all financial conditions often provides better results than a large, one-time investment. investment

To illustrate the long-term enefits of systematic investing, let's assume an individual invested \$2,000 in the Standard & Poor's 500 Index on his birthday every year from 1964 to 1994. These 30 systematic annual deposits, totaling \$60,000, grew to \$470,461-nearly eight times the amount invested.

Although past results do not guarantee further performance, illustrations like this focus not only on the value of systematic investing, but also on the benefits

BY IKE STEVENS Edward D. Jones & Co. (See Related Adv. Below)

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of a long-term approach. During the 30-year period in our example, many events occurred to discourage investing: civil rights issues, Vietnam, trade deficits, oil crises, Watergate, a falling dollar, skyrocketing inflation and interest rates, and a stock market crash. There were roughly 8,000 investing days in that period, yet the market made most of its gains in only 90 days. Knowing which 90 days to be in the market, though, would have been virtually impossible. Long-term investors who stayed in the market through all conditions

would have been rewarded. Yet another example reinforces the value of long-term investing. A study by Ibbotson Associates, a firm well-respected for its statistical data on the securities market, showed that during the 69-year period from year-end 1925 through 1994, larger company stocks averaged annual returns of 10.2 per cent, and smaller companies averaged 12.2 per cent. While short term returns were probably a lot lower during certain periods of those years, overall, stocks provided attractive returns for investors who Yet another example reinforces attractive returns for investors who stuck with them for the long term.

Trying to save up for one big investment, and attempting to predict the perfect time to invest for the short term, can be extremely difficult. On the other hand, starting now with smaller amounts is not only easier, it can be much more rewarding.

Open House Set At Prairie Acres

During Prairie Acre's Open House on September 10, the organizers will be showing the public the completely new and modern bathing area. Prairie Acres was able to complete this area with the generous donation received from the Eufaula Ethridge Estate. This remodeled area consists of a larger (double) sized bathing room with a self-contained electric hot water heater. The shower area has been completed in Torginal. The whitplool unit in the old bathing area has been replaced with a new. modern hydrosound unit, which

modern hydrosound unit, which will make bathing more comfortable and easier on the staff.

Contortable and easier on the staff. Along with this new hydrosound bath, Prairie Acres has purchased a completely modern electric lift with a digital scale. This lift is designed to effectively lift all residents in such a way as to not frighten the resident as well as to protect the staff member's backs. Prairie Acres ures all to come

Prairie Acres urges all to come on September 10 and tour the facilities. See the antiques brought by Virginia Jennings, view Larry Rogers' stamp collection, view the

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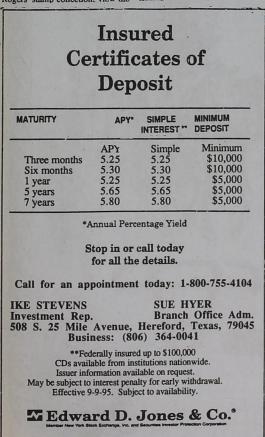
insect collection belonging to Keith Black as well as listen to the music provided by Charles Turner.

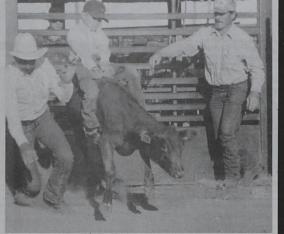
The Open House is scheduled from 3-4 p.m. and church services with the residents will start at 4 p.m. and the residents will be honored to have all be present and visit with them.

Correction Notice

In an article last week about the Friona courthouse annex vote by the County Commissioners, the Star noted that the motion was seconded by Commissioner Kenneth McGehee. It should have read, "the motion was seconded by Commissioner Benue and Commissioner Raymond McGehee

The same article stated that the County Commissioners operate on an October 1-September 30 fiscal year. The county's fiscal year is January 1-December 31. We apologize for any inconvenience the errors may have caused





RODEO CHAMPION....Tyler Hitchcock, son of Craig and Kathy Hitchcock of Friona, is shown here during the rodeo held in Bovina, August 18-19, during Bull Town Days. He was named calf riding champion in the 6-10 age group, with a score of 62.

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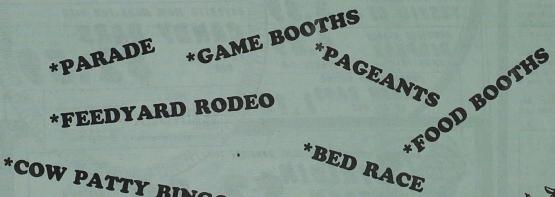
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LOCAL VETERAN RECALLS WWII

No Apology Necessary For U.S. Actions Against The Japanese

By JOHN TERRY

By JOHN TERRY Due to the current na-tionwide controversy over the 50-year anniversary of V-J Day, the question has come up "Do we, the United States, owe an apology to Japan for the use of the atomic bomb?" Editor Bill Ellis asked me, as a local veteran, to try to build some kind of story that justifies this action, and tell some of our experiences-so here it is: Probably as far back as the late 1920s, Japan became an outlaw

1920s, Japan became an outlaw nation. They disregarded the rules of the Geneva Convention which forbade them to build or have in their possession, warships larger than necessary to protect their own waters and port cities. They began to build a navy and army (which they denied) which exceeded the limitations of the convention rules. limitations of the convention rules. Through trickery, lies and nego-tiations by their ambassadors, they continued to build until their successes made them confident that they could challenge the U.S. at Pearl Harbor in Hawaii. There was nothing to prevent that from happening, and, had they only known, there might have been Japanese troops swarming over

Japanese troops swarming over California. Their lack of intelligence came to our rescue

Intelligence came to our rescue more than once. In March 1943, I was assigned to the Marine Air Group II, 1st Squadron, 1st Wing, the oldest Air Group in the Marine Corps, having existed since WWI. Headquarters were based at Turtle Bay, Espiritu Santo, New Hebrides. We went ashore to the sickening smell of santo, New Hebrides. We went ashore to the sickening smell of rotting coconuts and aviation gasoline, which, within a month or so, seemed normal. About one hundred of us new guys were farm boys and we thought we would be working with planes. but our classification was "General Duty." which we found

planes. but our classification was "General Duty," which we found out meant just that. 'Farm boys generally can repair vehicles, drive nails, saw boards, etc., and they badly needed someone besides pilots, gunners and bookkeepers. There was an all-out effort by everyone to get the base improved as quickly as possible. The flight strip was operational but there were no living quarters except tents. We cut coconut logs for frames and covered them with canvas for hospital, mess halls, offices and as hangars to protect plane engines hospital, mess haus, offices and as hangars to protect plane engines while they were under repair. We even built one bridge from solid mahogany logs. There was some teak wood but it was hard to cut

with hand saws. I was a Private and there were flight officers working on my detail. They volunteered, rather than sit around idle. Some squadron pilots would arrive while squadron pilots would arrive while their planes were still en-route, their ground crew on some other island. There were enough foul-ups to go around. . . planes without pilots, planes without belly-tanks, pilots without sufficient training. Our flight strip was natural coral, something like caliche, and we got a lot of planes with no land-ing gear from the Navy and New Zealand Air Force, because they could slide in to land on the coral. We had very little ground equip-ment such as graders, tractors, repair shops, hoists, electric gen-erators, water treatment plants or

repair shops, hoists, electric gen-erators, water treatment plants or protection from the constant rain. In early '43, this was the first permanent base in the planned push against the Japanese up through the island chain. At that time, we had F4F Grumman Wildcat fighter planes which were not as fast as the Jan Zero, but still a real fine little

Jap Zero, but still a real fine little plane. Also SBD, Douglas Scout Bombers (dive bombers), a three-man plane and TBF Grumman Torpedo, all single engine planes.

There were not many planes or pilots in the beginning but they came in a rush later on. The island of Guadalcanal was the southern-most island to be held by the Japs and lay about five hundred miles north of New Hebrides, with no other island of any size between. Herbrides had been chosen to be the forward base for both aviation and Navy, to support the anticipated offensive ahead. It became a very large operation after the Navy built docks and a deep water channel. The Army also came in and built

heavy bomber facilities. The First Marine Division assaulted and secured Guadalcanal with the help of the 2nd Marine Raider Battalion and their air support had to come from aircraft carriers, being out of reach of our planes. Japanese submarines were so active along with other war-ships, that our Navy was reluctant to risk what few carriers they had.

After the airstrip on Guadalcanal was taken away from the Japs, U.S. planes occupied it to support the land troops. In their rush to leave, sometimes the U.S. carriers might

leave some of their planes and pilots in the air with no place to land except the 'Canal Strip. The Japanese were highly upset with the disruption of their plans to invade New Zealand and Australia and were determined to regain the two islands taken from them, Tulagi and Guadalcanal. They threw everthing they had handy at those islands; warships and scads of

It got so hot that the U.S. Navy would not venture closer than aircraft range and reinforcements of aircraft could not get into the island. The forces on Guadalcanal were cut off, and their planes began to dwindle away. The Marines, at one time, were down to three or four fighter planes, along with a few New Zealand P40s, Army 400s and Navy F4Fs that had been left behind by their carriers. The situation looked very dark with maybe another Bataan in the

making. The Japs sent troops after troops, only to have them wiped out by our land troops and planes.



JOHN TERRY

They bombarded from battleships and bombed from their carriers. The U.S. pilots, Army, Navy and Marines banded together with the New Zealand guys and formed their own "Cactus Air Force" (Cactus being the code name for Guadalcanal) and held out until the day when our carriers could get back

what kind of man can climb into a plane and go up to meet 20 to 30 enemy planes? We were flying gasoline in to them by torpedo bomber because the Navy couldn't risk the Jap submarines. I remember working three days and two nights without stopping, moving gasoline drums from our jungle supply dump over to the air strip to be flown to Guadalcanal to

keep the planes there in operation. They told of "purple nights" when the bombardment never let when the bombardment never let up. This also proved that Japan would go to the extent of sacrificing their own men, as no cost seemed to be too great for them, and it only got worse as time went on. But the Japs finally did begin to back-track a bit. They could be stonned!

begin to back-track a bit. They could be stopped! Guadalcanal was not, by any means, a large land battle when compared with others to follow, but it was a very critical operation, as it was the first time the Japs had been decisively beaten and turned back.

Keith Oliver, a resident of Friona, told me that he positively did not have any inclination to apologize for anything, including the atom bomb. Keith went into Guadalcanal with the 2nd Marine Raider Battalion and had a front seat view of the action. He later went through Bougainville, Iwo Jima and other actions. He srved from the beginning at Guadalcanal to the finish at Okinawa, taking part in both campaigns. I was on Guadalcanal as a

courier, escorting equipment, when the last big air strike was made by the Japs. Our side claimed 128 the Japs. Our side claimed 128 planes for the day. Action cooled somewhat for us

because the squadrons could stay on Guadalcanal to operate against Bouganville and points beyond, so we finally had some time to look

around the island we had been living on for months. We did not find any dusky maid-ens in grass skirts on a moonlit beach. We had malaria, jaundice, and raging dysentery. Everything was constantly wet, causing mold, rot, jungle fungus, amoebas, heart worms in the soil, tuberculosis in the native cattle (which we traded for and ate the steaks anyway) elephantiasis and leprosy among the native population, and vampire bats in the coconut trees. A real nice

> We learned to just flinch to scare off mosquitoes without slapping at them, to soak in the ocean salt water to relieve most of the infections, to not swim or drink from the river nearby, to ignore the screams of the large rats and bats in the middle of the night. New Hebrides was never really threatened by invasion, but the Japs seemed to enjoy flying over occasionally, and dropped a bomb here or there just to

keep our attention. Several of us decided to take an all-day outing into some hills above our camp. We took shot-guns hoping to find some wild chickens or pigs. We found a village of Melanesian natives high up in the hills. We had seen them walking along the roads, but we hadn't had time to learn anything about them. keep our attention. about them.

There in the village, we saw bleached-white skulls with pointed teeth, indicative of cannibals, hanging on poles. These people lived about as close to the stone-age

lived about as close to the stone-age as is possible. Their clothing consisted of one leaf worm in front and one in back, with nothing at all above the waist. Their diseases were very obvious. We stumbled upon one of their religious rituals, which they objected to our watching, and indicated their displeasure by vigorous hand waving and spear shaking. They made it clear we should depart. We backed off to some distance and watched the granddaddy of bungee jumping. By some distance and watched the granddaddy of bungee jumping. By fastening a long vine around their ankles, the young boys dived from a height of about thirty feet with the intention of touching the ground without injury to themselves. This, we learned from a French plantation operator, was to prove mached. Some made it and prove manhood. Some made it and

some were carried away. We could not converse with these people. My good friend was a Cajun from Louisiana, and he could talk with the French people on the island, as well as with the imported Tonganese laborers.

Tonganese laborers. We thought slavery had happened in the U.S.A. until we found leg irons in the copra cooking sheds of the coconut plantations. The Tonganese, it turns out, were Polynesian people who had been taken from their islead homes for labor numbers by island homes for labor purposes by the French.

They carried long machetes for cutting coconuts from the trees and cutting them open to get the meat cuting them open to get the meat out. These things were carried consistantly about shoulder high pointing upward. It was hard to stand still and talk to them while keeping an eye on those long knives, especially when confronted by about six or more of them. Through '43 and '44, we continued to service new squadrons

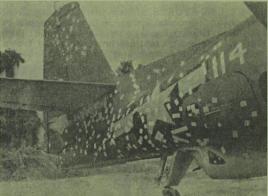
continued to service new squadrons coming out to replace older ones. Some of the older ones were sent back to the States or Hawaii for reorganization, having lost most of their pilots and gunners. Some were re-organized there on New Hebrides and received further training for island operation which they could not get at state-side training bases

As the base became more complete, some of us general duty guys also found that general duty included helping out on the flight line as assistant mechanics because the permanent crew was overwhelmed by the numbers of planes and pilots being sent without their own ground crews

I was assigned to the "Material" officer, whose job was to procure and have on hand anything the squadrons might need. He was what we called an "old-salt." He did not always abide by the rules or



CONTROL TOWER...This was a MAG II Operation Control Tower on Espiritu Santo in the Pacific during WWII. It was built in a mahogony tree. The GIs used whatever was available in the area.



PATCHED PLANE...Just one of many planes hit by ground fire in the Pacific, this Grumman TBF caught over 400 enemy bullets. The plane was patched up with adhesive hospital tape and sent back out to fly again.

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orders. But he had a knack for getting the job done, even to stealing when necessary and he was a great thief. He refused to submit an inventory to the commanding officer because he did not have requisition papers to show the origin of some of the supplies.

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He kept an Army officer busy in conversation one day, while we loaded two trucks with lumber from the Army stock. One time, he went aboard a cargo ship that was being unload a daigo sind una was being unloaded and found crates and crates of .50 caliber wing guns that were designated for the Navy. The Navy had been denying his request for these source or better for these guns, so he took command of the unloading for a spell. A Navy seaman isn't going to argue with a Marine Lieutenant when told to drop those certain

when told to drop those certain crates into those certain trucks on the dock...and we drove away with fifty or so badly needed guns. It was also his job to fill requests for supplies from squadrons operating on Guadalcanal and later to Bouganyilla. These hed to be operating on Guadalcanal and later to Bougainville. These had to be shipped by water and escorted by a courier (someone with an MP arm band, and a forty-five pistol) to prevent theft by other industrious individuals. I made several of these trips. The going up was arranged for, but the return trip was like for, but the return trip was like hitch-hiking, catch anything, plane

or boat, going south. As the battle for Bougainville heated up, Keith Oliver was again involved along with Charles Allen, flying an SBD (Douglas Scout Bomber) with squadron VMSB 243. Just off of Bougainville was the Treasury Island and a Friona man, now deceased, C. L. Vestal, served

with the Navy. Charles Allen's squadron formed at Santa Barbara, California, left Jan. '43 for Ewa Air Base Hawaii. He on Island, flew bombing missions in the invasion of Bougainville, Jan. '45 to the Philippines and the Luzon, southern Philippine campaigns until the end of the war

I believe I knew C. L. Vestal well enough to say he would not have favored an apology. You can ask Charles if you want his opinion. Ever hear of a place called Zamboanga? Charles probably remembers it well.

The Japanese continued to be pushed farther north and as as their forces dwindled, they became more suicidal. In April of '43, Admiral Yamamoto, commander-in-chief of the Japanese fleet was unhappy with the way things were going at Guadalcanal and Bougainville. He decided to take a first hand look at what he felt his field officers were doing wrong, because by his plans, those island should have already heen re-taken The Jap code had been broken and

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word of his trip reached Pearl Harbor where orders were sent back to commander-air-Solomons to make sure he did not return to his base at Rabaul.

Eighteen Army P38 Lightnings were chosen for the job because of their long range capabilities in carrying belly tanks. They found Yamamoto's two Betty Bombers and nine Zero Fighters circling to land at Kahili. The P38s shot them all down and watched as Admiral Yamamoto crashed into the water.

We were fortunate to have broken their code so early, but there were also other means of commun-ication. Australian and French, socalled coast watchers, being in the islands before the war started, volunteered to watch for Jap planes and ships from outposts in the more northern islands and relay by radio to Darwin, Australia whatever information they could get. They risked their lives every day on islands occupied by the Japs and furnished priceless information.

A young Marine lieutenant was credited with the idea of using Navajo Indians for communication He was from New Mexico and knew there were no written words for the Navajo language. He took this idea to his commanding officer and eventually there were Navajo "talkers" in the islands, conversing on open radio in a language no one could interpret except another Navajo. The problem was, there were no Navajo words for bomber or submarine, so they had to improvise words to meet the needs

As the war progressed farther up the island chain, the Japanese had built bunkers and used caves or whatever for protection from U.S. bombers and had to be literally picked out, dug out, blown out or burned out. Tons and tons of burned out. Tons and tons of bombs, millions of rounds of ammunition did not reduce their numbers significantly. Only the ground troops could remove them with grenades or flame-throwers, or

by calling in air strikes with Napalm (jellied gasoline). This was extremely slow and costly in lives to our troops. If the atom bomb had been available then,

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LOCAL BOYS AT WAR---One unit stationed in the Pacific consisted of some local Friona fellows who posed in front of a grass hut. Front row, left to right, Ralph Taylor, Scotty Kirkpatrick, James Watkins (brother of former Friona resident Kenneth Watkins). Back row right is Lavern Frost. The other two are unknown. (Photo Courtesy of Gladys Day.)

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JAMIE LEE STOKES, sixteen year old daughter of Gordon and Lucinda Stokes, is being sponsored in the Miss Friona Pageant by Kathryn and John Gurley. She is 5'9" tall, has brown hair and brown eyes and is a junior student at Friona High School.



LUCRETIA GAYLE FIELD LUCKETTA GAYLE FIELD is the six year old daughter of Dennis and Vickie Field. Smiley-Bracken Cellular is sponsoring her in the Little Miss Friona Pageant.



DELIGHT ASEBEDO is the six year old daughter of Randy and Delia Asebedo. Southwestern Public Service is her sponsor in the Little Miss Friona Pageant.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING **ON TAX INCREASE**

The City of Friona will hold a public hearing on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in Friona by 5.3845 percent. Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property.

The public hearing will be held on September 18th at 7:30 p.m.

For the proposal: McCoy, Gurley, Randolph Against the proposal: 0 Present and not voting: 0 Absent: Jones, Atwell

The statement above shows the percentage increase the proposed rate represents over the effective tax rate that the unit published on 9-2-95. The following table compares taxes on an average home in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average home this year. Again, your individual taxes may be higher or lower, depending on the taxable value of your property.

	last year	this year
Average home value	\$30,765	\$30,930
General Exemptions available (amount available on the average home, not including senior citizens's or disabled person's exemptions)	-0-	-0-
Average taxable value	\$30,765	\$30,930
Tax rate	.71	.64
Tax	\$218.43	\$197.95

Under this proposal taxes on the average home would decrease by \$20.48 or .0938 percent compared with last year's taxes. Comparing tax rates without adjusting for changes in property value, the tax rate would decrease by \$.07 per \$100 of taxable value or .0985 percent compared to last year's tax rate. These tax rate figures are not adjusted for changes in the taxable value of property.

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(Continued from Page 1) it should have been used on some of the larger islands. Jumping ahead somwhat. . . as an example of what the Japs could withstand, on Okinawa, what is called the Shuri Line had 152,000 gallons of napalm dumped on the Japanese defenders in one day's time. The following day, General Buckner treated them to 27 battalions of artillery, 324 guns, plus naval fire from 18 vessels along with 650 Navy and Marine planes, followed by three Army Divisions attack of 19,000 artillery shells in less than one hour and still failed to break their defense. They were underground and would They were underground and would have to be picked out or blown out by land troops. The atom bomb might have ended the war there, if it had been available then.

On a tiny island off Okinawa, (le Shima, I believe) a Friona man was serving with the Army. Alvin Gaines was wounded there and carried that wound or the effects of carried that wound or the effects of it for 50 years. Alvin feels no need to apologize and hopes he can continue to get by without owning a Japanese car. Mitsubishi and Kawasaki built a large portion of the planes used in WWII. Neither have I ever had a desire to own a Japanese car and hope I never do.

The Japs had begun to use the "Kamikaze" idea of flying their planes directly into Navy ships, especially the carriers. By the time of Okinawa, they had become fanatic and were training pilots for nothing more than to commit suicide by kamikaze tactics. There was nothing in American culture or military training or in the civilized mind to comprehend the idea of intentional suicide; the training of large numbers of flyers with no large numbers of flyers with no other intent than to be a fanatical, suicidal casualty for the glory of the "Divine Wind" as they called themselves. Commanders of U.S. ships were at their wits end as to

ships were at their wits end as to how to defend against them. In Feb. '45, the carrier "Frank-lin" crossed the Pacific carrying a new VMF 214, the old Black Sheep Squadron of Major Gregory Boying-ton, with only one remaining member of the original group. She also carried a former Friona man, Billy B. Sides. The ship joined Task Force 58 under the command

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of Admiral Spruance to make raids on the home islands of Japan, including Okinawa. March 16 was the beginning of the operation. March 19, Franklin was hit by a kamikaze plane. On deck were 31 planes loaded with bombs, rockets, ammunition and assoling ready to

planes loaded with bombs, rockets, ammunition and gasoline, ready to depart for strikes against Japan, only fifty miles away. The ship was engulfed in smoke and fire as the planes began to explode. The decks were flooded with gasoline. It was the worst carrier disaster of the entire war, a loss of 772 men.

the entire war; a loss of 772 men, plus all the planes on board. The ship, as badly as she was damaged, managed to get underway after being dead in the water, and a sitting duck for other kamikaze planes which tried to hit her but failed.

tailed. I feel sure that Billy B. does not feel the need to apologize! May 11, the carrier "Bunker Hill" was hit by two kamikaze planes almost simultaneously, after four smaller ships had been hit. The Bunker Hill alone lost 389 dead 264 wwwnded Admiral Mit. dead, 264 wounded. Admiral Mit-scher moved from Bunker Hill to the carrier "Enterprise" and it was hit three days later.

The Enterprise and Bunker Hill had taken part in the sinking of Japan's super battleship, the "Yamato," also on an apparent suicidal mission by exposing herself to the entire U.S. fleet in a bert dich effort to close the fleet out last ditch effort to clear the fleet out of Japanese waters.

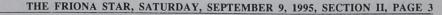
If we had had to pick the Japanese out of their home islands one at a time, what might the cost have been in lives; American, as well as Japanese?

The really big break in the battle for Okinawa was when the 2nd (Continued on Page 3)

BLAIRE JONES is the 5'2" tall daughter of Holly Smith and Joe Bill Jones. She has auburn hair and blue eyes, is sixteen years old and a junior at Friona High School. Her sponsor in the Miss Friona Pageant is Kendrick Oil Company. She will sing and dance with tape accompaniment for her talent portion of the competition.







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If you're grazing cattle under a center pivot...

World War II Experiences...

(Continued from Page 2) Marine Division, along with Friona's Baker Duggins, arrived on the scene. Baker served through the battle for Siapan, Okinawa and on into Japan with the occupational forces and saw first hand the effects of the atom homb. Baker has of the atom bomb. Baker has voiced no desire to apologize for any of his actions or for the use of

any of his actions or for the use of the bomb. Another Friona man, my next-door neighbor, Mickey Lloyd Mingus, also with the 2nd Marine Division, served through the Siapan campaign, was wounded there, went down to Tulagi for medical treatment and returned in time for the Okinawa engagement. Mickey votes "No apology" along with Baker. Baker.

Besides the kamikaze fanaticism, there were other atrocities comitted there were other atrocities comitted by the Japs to equal or surpass what Hitler did in Europe. Untold numbers were either killed or enslaved, long before Pearl Harbor, when Japan was over-running its neighbors from Manchuria, Korea, Indo-China and New Guinea. There were several officers tried for war

Indo-China and New Guinea. There were several officers tried for war crimes in the Philipines, sentenced to death and hung for crimes so barbaric they were never publicized. No apology from there! Back at New Hebrides, things had quieted down to a stand-still. Our old officers had moved on or back to the states. May '44: The action of the previous year was only a memory, the hostilities had moved away from us and Sainan moved away from us and Saipan was about to happen. The scuttle-butt said we were

going to move to Saipan and some packing had already started. In the meantime, there were still squad-rons coming into MAG II from stateside and old ones coming back

from "up north." During the lull, we were still working toward improvement of base conditions. We had water that wasn't half iodine or chlorine.

wasn't half iodine or chlorine. There were open air showers and we had Dallas Huts, thanks to the Sea Bees. Those guys could do just about anything and their slogan "Can Do" was not just talk. Grass on the island was a great nesting place for mosquitos and tall grass kept the ground from drying out between rains. My Cajun friend "Frenchy" and I built the first power lawn mower either of us had ever seen from a telephone-wire cart and other odd pieces. It would cut more grass than ten men with those swinging pogo sticks that we had

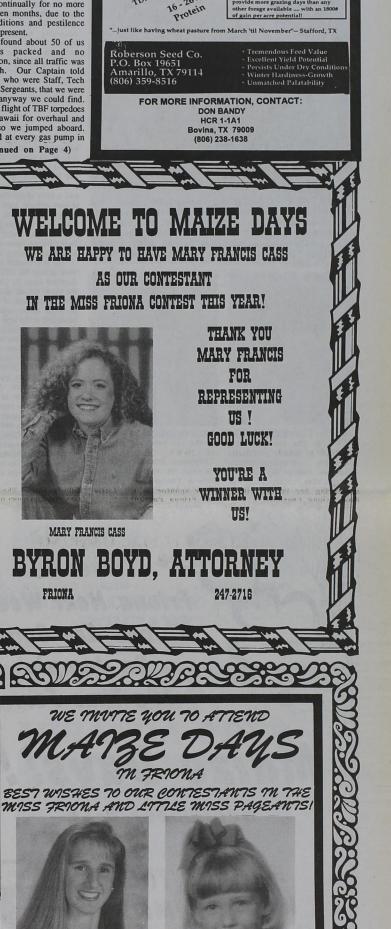
and other odd pieces. It would cut more grass than ten men with those swinging pogo sticks that we had been using. Our Captain went for the idea and had us build two more. The Colonel heard about it and wanted a couple for his area. Power lawn mowers had not been invented yet back in the states at that time, so maybe that was our greatest contribution to the war effort, since they never did call on us to fly. Coconut fronds were also a big problem in the control of mos-quitoes. They had to be picked up daily and hauled to the dump. We had one man who couldn't seem to find his niche. He had grown up tapping trees in Maine for maple syrup. He couldn't drive anything or do much at all. He was given some lineman spikes and a machete and hey put him to cutting fronds and they put him to cutting fronds and nuts from the trees before they fell. When I left there, the trees

only had one or two little fronds sticking up, which allowed the sun to come on down to the ground. We serviced and said goodbye to two squadrons of torpedo bombers that set a record for single engine planes. They left Espiritu Santo for a flight of 3400 miles over water via Funifuti, Tarawa, Kwajalein, Eniwetok to Guam and Saipan and they all made it. The Medical Authority decreed that personnel would stay on New

The Medical Authority decreed that personnel would stay on New Hebrides continually for no more than eighteen months, due to the living conditions and pestilence which were present. August found about 50 of us with bags packed and no transportation, since all traffic was going north. Our Captain told those of us who were Staff, Tech and Master Sergeants, that we were free to go anyway we could find.

free to go anyway we could find. We found a flight of TBF torpedoes going to Hawaii for overhaul and updating, so we jumped aboard. We stopped at every gas pump in (Continued on Page 4)

Julie Goddard



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JOLIE ANNE GODDARD is 5.8° tail, has brown hair, brown eyes and is a senior at Friona High School. She is the seventeen year old daughter of David and Kathryn Goddard. Julie is being sponsored in the Miss Friona Pageant by Ingram's. She will play the piano.



AIMEE RENNER is seventeen years old, is 5'6" tall, has light brown hair, hazel eyes and is a senior at Friona High School. Her parents are Gary and Karen Renner. She is being sponsored in the Miss Friona Pageant by Don's After Hours Photography.



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COURTNEY CARTHEL, seventeen year old daughter of Don and Cindy Carthel, is being sponsored in the Miss Friona Pageant by Cummings Insurance. She is 5'6" tall, has blonde hair and blue eyes and is a senior at Friona High School. Courtney will read poetry with taped music background background.



LINNETTE CAR-TRACI RERA is the six year old daughter of Randy and Delia Asebedo. Modern Study Club is sponsoring her in the Little Miss Friona



is the six year old daughter of Kirk Wright and Chrystina Stanberry. Her sponsor in the Little Miss Friona Pageant is Irrigation Engine Service.

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World War II

(Continued from Page 3) Samoa, Palmyra, Johnson Islands, and then Hawaii. We thought we were real smart, being that far ahead were real smart, being that far ahead of the others. Then about a week later, we were still waiting for a ride to the states when the USS Kittyhawk pulled into port with the rest of our guys on board. Needless to say, we accepted the ride. The Kittyhawk was designed for moving trains across the Great Lakes and had concrete decks and railroad tracks on four decks. She had served for everything from

had served for everything from carrying aircraft to cargo. I had made a couple of trips on her while

made a couple of trips on her while escorting equipment between islands. This may prove why I never made General. ..catch a ride on a plane that needs over-haul and then onto a concrete ship! So we all arrived in California at the same time with a thirty-day furlough waiting. I was more afraid to come home than I had been to leave. It didn't feel right being in Friona in a uniform.

Friona in a uniform. The furlough passed and I was assigned to Marine Corps Air Station, El Centro, California; the second hottest place I ever heard of. second hottest place I ever heard of. Our flight strip at El Centro was 150 feet below sea level and they told a story about the pilots, when at zero alitiude, they couldn't find the ground. There was a good rocket and bombing range with plenty of open desert, so squadrons from the coast bases were sent there for mactice before going overseas.

from the coast bases were sent increase for practice before going overseas. The two Marine squadrons that were aboard the USS Franklin had departed from El Centro, leaving

departed from El Centro, leaving the wives behind until their return. The unhappy task of delivering the personal belongings of the lost pilots fell in the laps of some of us in the transportation department. I delivered one man's gear to Phoenix by staff car to his mother. We found that several wives were still around El Centro, where they had rented houses, waiting for their husbands to return. Arrangements had to be made to bring their had to be made to bring their household effects into the base and household effects into the base and crate them for shipment. This was not a pleasant job, and I could never find words for these young wives and mothers. I'm sure these ladies would vote "No Apology!" We continued to be an aviation supply headquarters squadron and, we hauled ordinance from the Federal Arsenal at Barstow,

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Friona Next Week,

Things Are Gonna

Be Jumpin'

It's Time For...

Experiences... California to bases along the West Coast on down to San Diego.... everything from .30 caliber bullets to rockets and two-thousand pound torpedoes. It was usually a three or four day round trip, staying at various bases when laying over.

various bases when laying over. This was an opportunity to see old friends from back when we had been split up and re-assigned stateside. My Captain at Hebrides saw on his roster that I was from Friona and he called me in. I just knew I was in trouble! He had attended officers' school with Noel Benger of the Black Community and he the Black Community and he wanted to to talk about it. He and Noel remained close friends after the war and Capt. Avery arrived at El Centro to be my department officer

again. While delivering some gear for shipment to the Railway Express office one day, I jumped up onto the dock and raised up face to face with a guy who had been in boot camp about two platoons behind me. I was so startled that I think I forgot to salute, but did manage to get out "Hello, Lieutenant Power!" get out "reno, Elevienant rower" It was Tyrone Power, the popular movie star of the 1930s. After all those pirate and buccaneer movies, he had to be held over awhile in boot camp before he could qualify with the M-1 rifle. He snuffed his cigarettes and saved the "butt" in boot camp just like all the rest of

us. The girl in the Express Office, whom I had dealt with many times, was all agog. "Is that really Tyrone Power out there?" I would have introduced her to him, but I couldn't get her to come out the door Women!!

The A-bombs were dropped on the 6th and 9th of August and to celebrate, we had an open house for civilians on the base. Our good friend, the bartender-operator, brought out several kegs of draft beer and stayed all day and night to

beer and stayed all day and night to tend the bar. The civilians joined right in and a good time was had by all, I guess. The next morning, there were no guards on the gate or anyone on duty and bodies were lying all along the streets. When they announced the point system for discharge, I had sufficient, and was released from duty 14 Dec. '45, three years to the day from Oklahoma City when I said "I do." I was paid \$165 back (Continued on Page 5) (Continued on Page 5)



YVETTE AGUIRRE, seventeen year old daughter of Minnie and Joe Aguirre, is 5'4" tall, has dark brown hair and brown eyes. She will be sponsored by D'L's Thriftway in the Miss Friona Pageant. Yvette will sing "Orphan Annie" with tape accompaniment.



BROOKE HERBERT'S spon-sor in the Little Miss Friona Pageant is Bi-Wize Health Mart. She is the five year old daughter of Michael and Christi Herbert.

KRISTA SHEA GRAHAM is being sponsored in the Little Miss Friona Pageant by

Country Charm. Her parents are Ky and Lanis Graham and she is six years old.



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JANET LU'ANN RECTOR, seventeen year old daughter of Larry and Sharon Rector, is being sponsored in the Miss Friona Pageant by Friona Noon Lions Club. She is 5' tall, has brown hair, blue eyes and is a senior at Friona High School.

World War II Experiences...

friends in the service, and was more

homesick when I got home, than

me death!" We have the FBI spying to see what kind of religion you practice; the IRS is checking to see if you paid your full share; the CIA knows but won't tell; the EPA would like know what you're doing; and the only place you are allowed to smoke is on the yellow line in the middle of an expressway, only if

smoke is on the yellow line in the middle of an expressway, only if you <u>don't exhale</u>. The patriots in Colonial days only had the Tea Tax. Nopel NO APOLOGY!!! (Editor's Note: John Terry did not mention the fact that this unit, Marine Air Group II, received a Presidential Unit Citation and a Nawy Unit Citation after service

Navy Unit Citation for service rendered. "MAG 11 was a spigot

from which pilots, gunners, ground crews and planes flowed into the

battle zones; also responsible for air-sea rescue and search.")

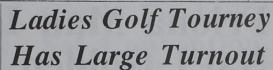
(Continued from Page 4) pay, \$100 mustering out pay, plus travel expenses back to Oklahoma City and I didn't waste any time getting off the base for fear they might change their minds.

Compared to a lot of guys, I had a ball, saw and did lots of things I otherwise wouldn't have, had lots of



MICHELLE DENAE MAR-MICHELLE DENAE MAR-TIN is being sponsored in the Little Miss Friona Pageant by Mike Pope Trucking. She is the five year old daughter of Loren and Jackie Martin.

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The Friona Country Club held a four lady scramble tournament on August 26, 1995.

The tournament was believed

to be the first of its kind at the Friona Country Club. Ladies teams from Friona, Hereford, Dimmitt, Lubbock, Portales, Lazbuddie, Clovis, Tulia,

Portales, Lazbuddie, Clovis, Tulia, and Muleshoe participated. "We would like to thank all the merchants for their donations and the men (club-members) who volunteered their time", a spokesperson for the tournament said. "It was a huge success." Complete results are as follows and the remaining teams are listed:

complete results are as follows and the remaining teams are listed: Championship Flight, First Place Team: Karen Harrelson & Marlene Mueller of Friona, Vernie Schacker & Jeanne Jesko of Lazbuddie--team score of 63.

Championship Flight, Second Place Team: Mozelle Hall, Jo Beth Mays, Betty Butler, and Melissa Carpenter, all of Dimmitt--team score 64.

Championship Flight, Third Place Team: Chris Dennison, Friona, Cindy Reynolds, Audra Shotenkirk, & Gloria Cushenberry,

Shotenkirk, & Gloria Cushenberry, all of Dimmitt--team score 65. First Flight, First Place Team: Mika Maddox, Janis Polson, Debbie Smith, Teresa Buske, all of Friona--team score 64 First Flight, Second Place Team: Jane Cotner, Betty Hodge, Betty Cross, & Pat Mason, all of Clovis--team score 65 First Flight, Third Place Team: Rose Marie Robinson, Martha

Rose Marie Robinson, Martha

Monthly **Clinics** Are Scheduled

Immunization clinics offering vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases are scheduled for September in the local area

are scheduled for September in the local area. Protection is against polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella, mumps and HIB (Haemophilus Influenzae Type B). The Texas Department of fealth is charging fees to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount of money charged will be based on family income and size, and the ability to pay. Immunizations are available in Friona at the WIC Office, 704 Main Street, on Friday, September 15 form 10:00-11:45 a.m. and 1:00-3:45 p.m. The vacinations will also be available at the Bovina Medical Clinic, 509 Avenue I, on Monday, September 11 from 10:00 a.m.-a:00 p.m.

Jones, Lois Jones, Patsy Hoffman, all of Hereford--team score 68

all of Hereford-team score 68 Second Flight, First Place Team: Charlett Harris, Sandy Walker, Doris Hudson, Ann Cavett, all of Clovis--team score 71 Second Flight, Second Place Team: Carol Boyd, Cindy Butman, Vickie Field, all of Friona, and Mary Alt of Amarillo--team score 71

71 Second Flight, Third Place Team: Evelyn Riley, Jo Rempe, Yolanda Phillips, Kay Fields, all of Muleshoe-team score 74. Other teams entered were: Chris Alexander & Dianne Tatum of Friona and Brenda Elliott and Rhea Scott of Hereford

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Tulia. Sandra Berend, Lisa Weatherly, Veca White of Friona and Brenda Bice, Hereford. Caroline Watts, Jerrie Horton,

Connie Gilbreath, & Diane York, all of Dimmitt. Dana Berend, Debrah

Dana Berend, Debrah Campbell, & Judy Potts of Friona, & Loraine Weingates of Clovis.

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DIANDRA JO LAFUENTE, sixteen year old daughter of Bertha Lafuente and Alfredo Lafuente, is being sponsored in the Miss Friona Pageant by Monty's Flowers & Gifts. She will perform a dance routine for her talent portion of the competition. Diandra is 5'6" tall, has black hair and brown eyes and is a junior at Friona High School.

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WE WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE OUR MISS FRIONA AND LITTLE MISS CANDIDATES **HOLLIS GURLEY** HEATHER MARTIN ARMER COUNTY PUMP COMPANY FRIONA 247-3030 MEET **MIRANDA FRYE** SHE IS OUR LITTLE MISS CONTESTANT THIS YEAR! AND WE WISH HER

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MICHEL RODRIGUEZ is 5' tall, has brown hair and green eyes and is a senior student at Friona High School. Her sponsor in the Miss Friona Pageant is Friona State Bank. She is the seventeen year old daughter of Maria and Mariano Rodriguez.



ERIN RENAE ANTHONY, five year old daughter of Dennis and Loraine Anthony, is being sponsored in the Little Miss Friona Pageant by Paco Feedyard.



ALLISON JONES, six year old daughter of Robert and Becky Jones, is being sponsored in the Little Miss Friona Pageant by Production Credit Association.

Friona Man Is Tapped For Nat'l Golden Spur Award

West Texan A.L. Black's lifetime of commitment to area resources including the beef cattle industry has earned him the 1995 National Golden Spur Award which will be presented during a 6:30 p.m. banquet September 15 at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center. Black a Friona native and

Black, a Friona native and current resident, is one of the founders and original owners of Friona Industries, Inc., a processor and manufacturer of cattle feed supplements that are transported by the company nationwide. Additional subsidiaries of the company are Poarch Brothers, Inc., which designs, fabricates and constructs feed mill systems and related grain-handling equipment; and Friona Transport, the truck division of the company's grain and feed hauling business.

related grain-handling equipment; and Friona Transport, the truck division of the company's grain and feed hauling business. The National Golden Spur Award is sponsored annually by the Ranching Heritage Association. Nominated by the Texas Cattle Feeders Association headquartered in Amarillo, Black also was instrumental in initiating the association.

Black's efforts have helped West Texas to find a better way to farm, ranch, feed livestock and improve upon a variety of agribusiness methods, according to Ron Davenport, president of the Texas Cattlefeeders Association in Amarillo. Between the late 1950s and into the early 1970s, he began testing and implementing new techniques for soil and water management, growing new varieties of crops, bringing new pasture and field crops to West Texas, introducing livestock feeding and generating new industry to the Friona area, said Davenport.

Additionally, Black's contributions to farmers and ranchers in West Texas and eastern New Mexico have resulted in the creation of thousands of jobs and higher incomes -in farming, ranching, livestock feeding, meat packing, sugar refining, transportation and agribusiness throughout the state and the region, Davenport said. Black was instrumental in developing the cattle feeding industry in Texas, New Mexico and the High Plains area of Oklahoma. In 1948 he dug one of the first irrigation wells in the Texas Panhandle. The development of irrigation technologies and hybrid grain sorghum crops in the 1950s led to the area's growth in the cattle feeding industry. As a result, he and two other visionaries convinced Missouri Beef Packers, now named Excel Corp., to locate a packing plant in Friona. When the plant opened in 1968, it was the largest beef slaughter facility in the Southwest.

Southwest. A significant accomplishment for Black occurred in the past 1970s when he led the merger of three Texas water agencies-.Texas Water Development Board, Texas Water Quality Board and Texas Water Rights Commission.-into one state agency, the Texas Water Commission.

agency, the Texas Water Commission. In addition to serving as chairman of the Texas Water Development Board, Black has served as a board member on Parmer County's local Soil and



Water Conservation Districts, as s Water president of Water, Inc., president of the Association of Texas Soil and Water Conservation Districts, director of the National Association of Soil Conservation Districts, director of the Western States Water Council and director of the Texas

Water Institute. Black was designated as an affiliate to the College of Agriculture at Texas A&M

University in 1984, where he had served as an adviser to the Dean of Agriculture for many years. In 1982, while serving by the appointment of Texas Governor William P. Clements to the Western States Water Council, Black was honored by the United States Army Corps of Engineers for Outstanding Civilian Service. The Amarillo Chamber of Commerce recognized Black in 1978 as "Area Man of the Year" for his pioneering contributions in cattle, water and agribusiness.

Past recipients of the Golden Spur Award include: Albert K. Mitchell, 1978; Jay Littleton Taylor, 1979; Fred H. Dressler, 1980; Watt Reynolds Matthews, 1981; J. Ernest Browning, 1982; John B. Armstrong, 1983; Foy Proctor, 1984; Marie Tyler, 1985; W.D (Bill) Farr, 1986; Walter Pfluger, 1987; O.J. (Jim) Barron, Jr., 1988; Hilmar G. Moore, 1989; Jo Ann Smith, 1990; Clarence Scharbauer, Jr., 1991; Linda Mitchell Davis, 1992; John S. Cargile, 1993; Kenneth Monfort, 1994; A.L. Black, 1995.



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JACKLYN AMBER GRANTHAM, sixteen year old daughter of Jody and John Thomas, is being sponsored in the Miss Friona Pageant by Brandin' Iron Restaurant. She is 5'5" tall, has blonde hair and hazel eyes. Her talent is singing with keyboard or piano accompaniment.

Cattle Feeders Set Convention politics during his keynote address

The cattle industry is changing, and cattle feeders are facing new realities every day. That's why the Texas Cattle Feeders Association (TCFA) chose "New Realities" as the theme of its 1995 Annual Convention, October 15-17 at the Wyndham Anatole in Dallas. The Opening General Session on Monday, October 16, will feature TCFA President Ron Davenport, who will share his thoughts on the eventful year past. The the Hon. George W. Bush, Gov. of Texas, will update

Bush, Gov. of Texas, will update cattle feeders on the new realities in



ASHLEY CONLEE, five ASTREET CONLEE, five year old daughter of Jim and Megan Conlee, is being sponsored in the Little Miss Friona Pageant by Mission Cable Cable

Following Gov. Bush, cattle feeders will get a glimpse of how Frito-Lay builds consumer loyalty and market share when Lloyd Ward, president of the Central Division of Frito Lay, Inc., addresses consumer marketing strategies.

Industry issues at the national level are vitally important to cattle feeders. NCA President Bob Drake will discuss how the cattle industry is dealing with the many issues confronting it during lunch on Monday

With the consolidation of NCA and the Meat Board now a reality, two past TCFA presidents who were key players in the process will give cattle feeders a look at what's abead ahead.

Bob Carter of Plainview, Beef Board treasurer, and Clark Willingham of Dallas, NCA Willingham of Dallas, NCA president-elect, will team up during the afternoon general session to explain the consolidation process. Then, learn how humor can help the work day as humorist C.W. Metcalf explains the importance that humor plays in our daily lives.

that humor plays in our daily lives. On Tuesday, October 17, cattle feeders will hear an update on beef promotion efforts from Jeanne Sowa, executive vice president of marketing with the National Live Stock and Meat Board, and Tom Roth, vice president and account executive with the Leo Burnett Co.



RACHEL MEJIA is sixteen years old, is 5'6" tall, has brown hair, brown eyes and is a junior at Friona High School. Joe Mejia is her father. She is being sponsored in the Miss Friona Pageant by Ethridge-Spring Insurance Agency and will dance for her talent portion of the competition.

Did You Know? By GEORGE RUSHING

Someone has said, "To be born

The source has said, 10 be born free is a privilege. To die free is an awesome responsibility". This past weekend the Friona High School class of 1965 met at the Ramada Inn in Amarillo to celebbrate our 30-year anniversary. We had over 40 students attend the reunion from as far away as Maryland. It was truly an enjoyable time. I thoroughly enjoyable time. I thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon in getting to see old acquaintances and reliving our school days. I read in our senior annual about our plans for the furure and

about our plans for the furure and how we would assume our responsibilities and make our mark in society. How easy it seems when you are 18-years-old. I wonder if it would help if we waited about ten years before we wrote our graduation speeches and our plans and commitments for the future. In 1776 there were 56 men who signed the Declaration of Independence, only a few less than our graduation class. The closing words of this document solemnly declare: "With a firm reliance on the protection of Divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our lives, our fortunes, and our sacred honor." Of the fifty-six, few were long

Of the fifty-six, few were long to survive. Five were captured by the British and tortured before they died. Twelve had their homes, from Rhode Island to Charleston, sacked, Noted Island to charactering sacked, looted, occupied by the enemy, or burned. Two lost their sons in the army. One had two sons captured. Nine of the fifty-six died in the war, from its hardships or from its

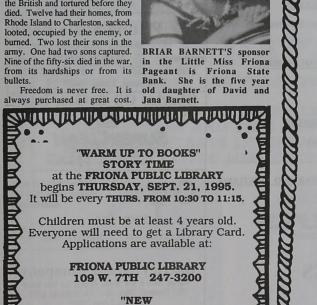
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Where would we, who are citizens of the United States of America be today if there had not been those today if there had not been those who counted the cost of freedom and willingly paid for it? Where will we be tomorrow if men and women of integrity do not come forward today and pay the price to maintwin and yes, reclaim the freedoms we have enjoyed in America? America?

The class of 1965 was a close knit class and I am grateful for that. We had many good years together. I wonder if we would be even closer if we had mutually pledged to each other our lives, our fortunes, and our sacred honor. I think so. Where does true freedom begin?

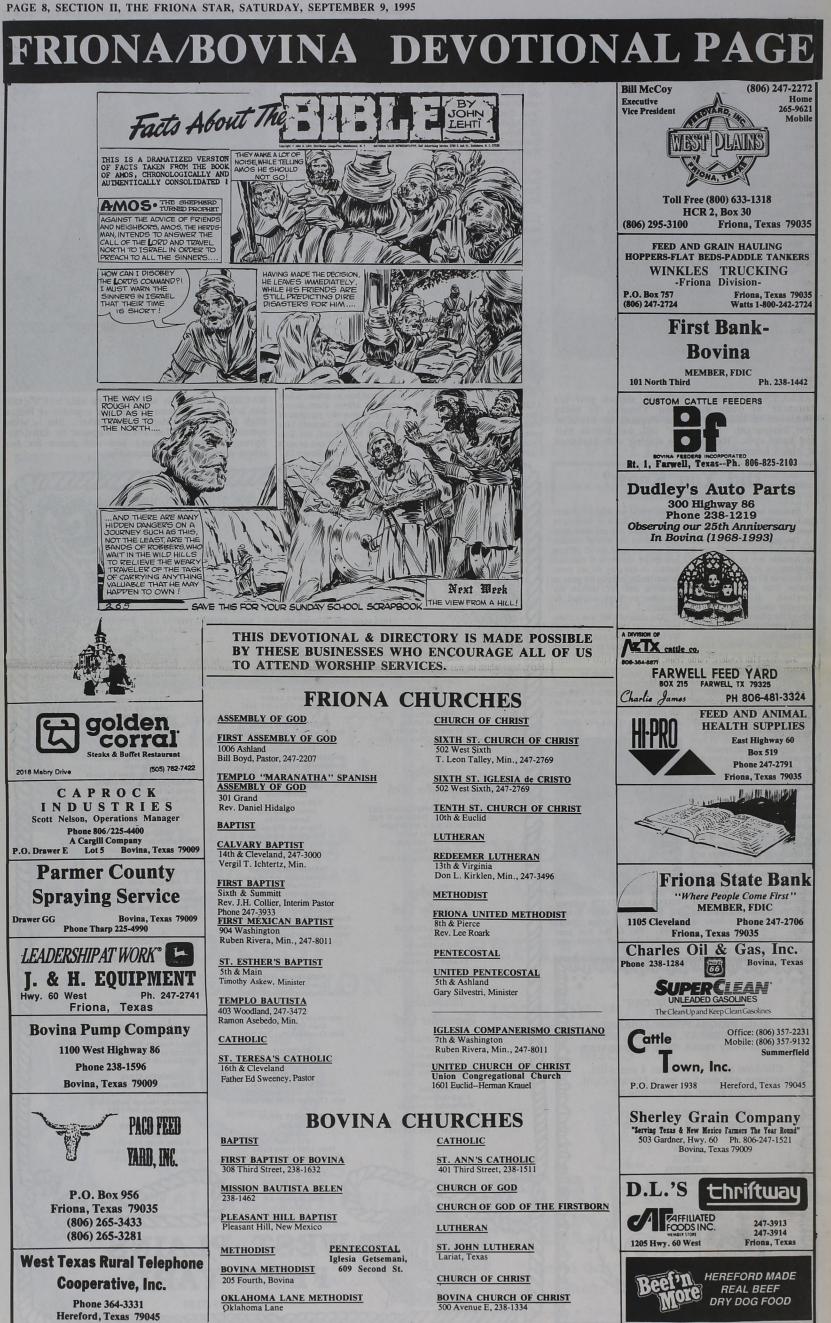
The scripture declares in Romans 8:2 "For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and death". That is freedom.







39th Annual Vaize Days Celebration redule of Events · September 9th - 16th Thursday Saturday Friday September 1-4th September 15th September 9th PARMER COUNTY FAIR Judging begins at 9:00 a.m. Open to public at 12 noon \$1.00 per enty Commulity Center Judging includes: culinar//canned products textiles/needle art crafts and hobbies agriculture exhibits industrial technology exhibits horticulture PARMER COUNTY FAIR MISS FRIONA PAGEANT Talent Competition 2:00 p.m. Final Competition 7:00 p.m. FHS Auditorium Entries will be accepted between 5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Community Center Info: Chamber Office 247-3491 PHOTOGRAPHY SHOW Entries will be accepted between 12:00 noon - 6:00 p.m. \$1:00 per entry Hospital Auxiliary Bldg./Main St. Sponsored by Modern Study Club Info: Elizabeth Gore 295-6188 EDIONA EALL APT Reserved Seating \$5 adult - \$3 student Info: Chamber Office 247-3491 Sunday art & photography show for youth retirement home craft display Prizes for 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place Info: Chamber Office 247-3491 Info: Elizabeth Gore 295-6188 FRIONA FALL ART EXHIBITION 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Depot - City Park Sponsored by Friona Art Alliance & Tri-State Art Association Info: Judy Cummings 247-3801 or Dottie Osborn 247-2581 September 10th PRAIRIE ACRES APPRECIATION DAY ANTIQUE SHOW, STAMP AND BUG COLLECTIONS & RECEPTION Refreshments Served 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Prairie Acres Info: Chamber Office 247-3491 PHOTOGRAPHY SHOW 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Judging follows Hospital Auxiliary Bldg./Main St. Sponsored by Modern Study Club Info: Elizabeth Gore 295-6188 PARMER COUNTY FAIR COUNTRY STORE 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Hospital Auxiliary Bldg./Main St. Sponsored by Modern Study Club Info: Iona Cook 247-2884 PARMER COUNTY FAIR Activities begin at 9:00 a.m. Community Center Judging begins at 2:00 p.m. Turtle race and frog jumping contests begin at 2:00 p.m. Bucket calf show and homemade ice cream contests begins at 2:30 p.m. Wool lead show begins at 3:00 p.m. Info: Chamber Office 247-3491 Tuesday September 12th LITLE MISS CONTEST 7:00 p.m. FHS Auditorium Reserved Seating \$4 adult - \$2 student Info: Chamber Office 247-3491 Saturday September 16th PARADE 10:30 a.m. Main Street + Friona Line-up at 9:30 a.m. Info: Chamber Office 247-3491 EMS BREAKFAST 6:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. FHS Cafeteria \$5 adult - \$2.50 child Sponsored by EMS Wednesday BED RACE Immediately following parade Main Street → Friona Info: Chamber Office 247-3491 September 13th PHOTOGRAPHY SHOW 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Hospital Auxiliary Bldg./Main St. sponsored By Modern Study Club Info: Elizabeth Gore 295-6188 "GOSPEL GATHERING" 7:30 p.m. FHS Auditorium Free to public Info: Chamber Office 247-3491 BARBEQUE Serving begins at 12 noon City Park 7th and Main \$5.00 adult - \$3.50 child Catered by D.L's Meat Dept. Info: Chamber Office 247-3491 COUNTRY STORE 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Hospital Auxiliary Bldg./Main St. Sponsored by Modern Study Club Info: Iona Cook 247-2884 CARNIVAL E & B Funtime Rides Wednesday – Saturday 7th and Main Sposored by Friona Evening Lions Info: Gnamber Office 247-3491 COW PATTY BINGO 2:30 p.m. City Park \$10 ticket **DIXON SIX-MILER** 8:00 a.m. 6 miles North Hwy 214 Trophies for 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place Info: Jim Dixon 295-6392 Prize: \$500 Friona Bucks Info: Chamber Office 247-3491 and and PARMER COUNTY FEEDYARD RODEO Rodeo Grounds West Highway 60 6:30 p.m. \$4 adult - \$2 student Info: Chamber Office 247-3491 WEST PLAINS WEST IAINS FEED YARD Phone 295-3100 PAGE 8, SECTION II, THE FRIONA STAR, SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1995





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ELIZABETH ANN BENA-VIDES is being sponsored in the Little Miss Friona Pageant by D.L.'s Thrift-way. She is the five year old daughter of Hugo and Gabriela Benavides.



MIRANDA D'AUN FRYE is being sponsored in the Little Miss Friona Pageant by Triple Frye & Smiley Ostrich. She is the five year old daughter of Kirk and Annette Frye.

Work Begins **On** Living Xmas Tree Rehearsals will begin for the munity presentation of "The

community presentation of "The Living Christmas Tree," Sunday, September 10.

September 10. The groundwork has been laid, committees have been formed, music has been ordered and now it is time for rehearsals to begin. These will be held every Sunday afternoon at 3 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Friona. "Sincers are described by the sed of the sed of

"Singers are desperately needed, so please come join us on September 10. Rehearsals will last september 10. Keitensaus will hab one hour. Many volunteers will be needed between now and the performance weekend, December 2 and 3," said Merlene Orme, spokesperson.

If you can help with any aspect of the project whether it be singing, building, decorating or promoting and would like more information on how to do so, please contact Geary Brogden at the First Baptist Church or Merlene Orme at 247-2754 or or Merien 247-2598.

"Participants from surrounding communities are certainly welcome. This is a big project and we need everyone," Mrs. Orme concluded.

Youth Activities At The Fair The Parmer County Fair will offer a wide variety of activities for

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youth. They will be allowed to enter the following fair divisions: culinary, canned products, textiles, crafts and hobbies, fine arts, and photography. Youth are also encouraged to enter the pet show, the turtle race, and frog iumning contest the

and frog jumping contest, the bucket calf show, and the ladies wool lead.

wool lead. For further information you can pick up a fair book at the Chamber office, or call the extension office at 806-481-3619. Friday, September 8, is the final deadline to order a personalized brick for the city park pavillion. All orders are due at the Chamber of Commerce office by 5 p.m. Contact Teresa Burke at 247-3491 for further details. for further details.

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Thank You, Brooke! BROOKE HERBERT Our "Little Miss" this year is Brooke Herbert. We are happy to have Brooke representing us and offer her our Wishes st

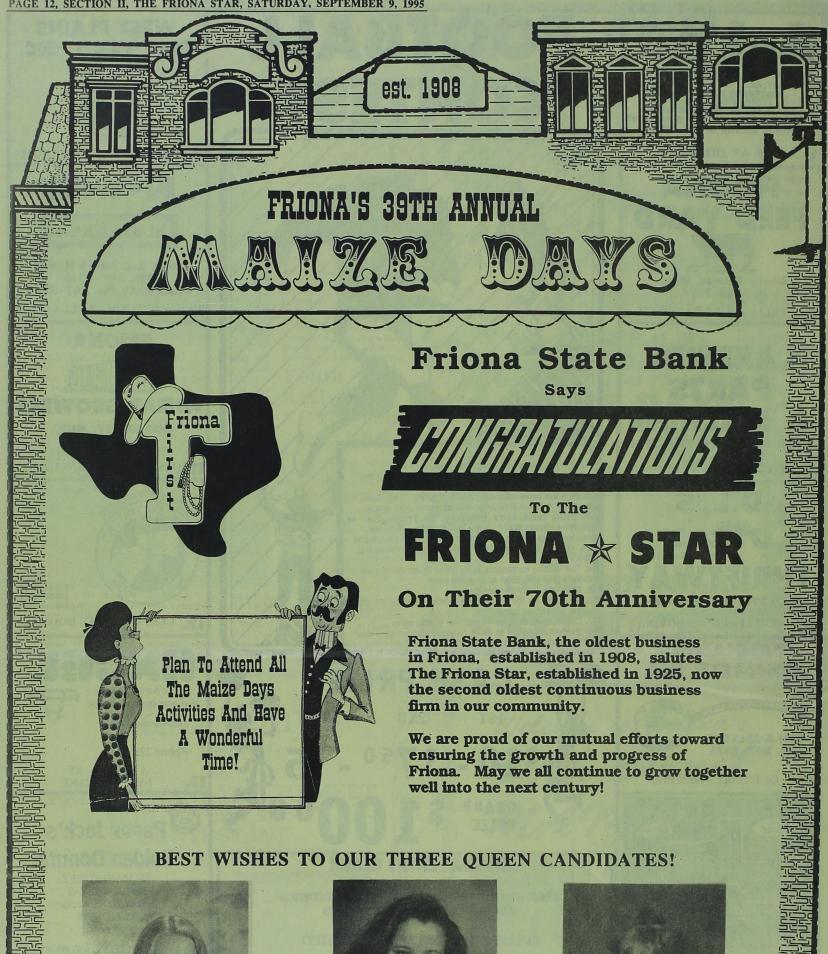
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