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Bulletins

By Bill Ellis

THIS PAST WEEK we drove to Montague County, with our uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Whitecotton. Enroute, we passed through their old home town of Electra, and Aunt Alice made an interesting observation.

Indicating the heavy population of oil wells, which are clearly visible as you approach the city, she said "You know, those wells have been pumping steadily for the past 50 years. And they apparently are shallow wells, since they use small pumps."

This sort of makes you wonder all over again about the oil shortage which has hit our nation again this year. If these old wells are still clicking along at their regular pace, and other wells which have been developed in the meantime are producing, where and why is there an oil shortage?

But there is a shortage, all right, as you are reminded these days as the gas price climbs ever-closer to the dollar-per-gallon mark. And if you had any thoughts about the energy shortage abating, then your utility bills will shock you into the reality of the situation when you get them this

IF YOU SAW the Johnny Carson show last Friday night, perhaps you noticed the bit where Carson was quoting from the current issue of Texas Monthly magazine, which had a feature article on some "bad jobs."

One of the jobs mentioned was the dead animal truck driver, and it even featured the "Used Cow Dealer" ad, which many of our readers should recognize. If we're not mistaken, Garth Merrick developed the concept of the "Used Cow Dealer" advertisement for Friona Bi-Products, and it has appeared in our papers for the last several years.

Carson did a good job of explaining to his citified audience just why the driver of the rendering company truck had a job that fit into the "bad jobs" category.

For those of us who live in this area, and occasionally confront one of the trucks, his explanation was completely unnecessary.

At any rate, congratulations to the Used Cow Dealers for making national television. Maybe it will be a boost to your image.

DID YOU HEAR THAT President Carter has taken a lesson from the old orators, who used to practice speaking with a mouthful of pebbles, or marbles in modern times.

One commentator said that the president starts with a mouthful of marbles, and one by one removes the marbles, in developing his speaking tone.

"When Carter loses all of his marbles, then he is ready to address the nation," was the punch line.

WE ARE SORRY that we mentioned the Texas Rangers and the Houston Astros in this space a few weeks back. At that time, both major league teams were doing great. They were leading their respective divisions, and seemed to have the situation under control.

Both teams have had a series of bad luck in recent weeks, and we thought that it only proper that we publicly apologize. If we jinxed you by bragging on your play, we're sorry.

BUTCH McCAIN tells about the guy who dreamed every night about losing weight. Said that must have been "wishful shrinking."

Male Chauvinist Pig Award! An old law still on the books (though no longer enforced, we surmise) makes it illegal for a woman to drive a car in Memphis, Tennessee unless a man walks or runs in front of the car waving a red warning flag.

GOES TO STINNETT

## Gunnels Resigns As BHS Principal

Mark D. Gunnels, Bovina High School principal, has resigned to take a similar position at Stinnett. Gunnels has been principal here at Bovina for the past year.

Gunnels received his Associate of Science degree from Amarillo College

Awards Are Presented At Meeting

The Bovina Wheat Growers Cooperative, Inc., held their 45th annual meeting this past Friday night, July 27 at the Bovina High School cafeteria.

Approximately 200 people attended the meeting and buffet dinner. E.G. Steelman and Leon Schilling were re-elected to their posts on the co-op's board of directors.

Manager Larry Webb gave a financial report and presented a couple of awards. Earl Dean Boyd received a 15 year service pin. A special 45-year service award was given to L.M. Grissom, a charter member of Bovina Wheat Growers. Mr. Grissom also received a plaque to commemorate his years of service to the co-op.

Another highlight of the evening came with the presentation of a 40-year Service Plaque to the Bovina Wheat Growers from Producers Grain Corporation. Grissom and Leon Schilling accepted the award for the co-op.

It seemed to be an enjoyable night for everyone, despite the high temperatures in the building.

in 1954. He then attended West Texas State University, where he received his B.S. degree in 1956, and his Master of Education in 1958. In May of 1977, Gunnels completed his Management Certificate.

Before coming to Bovina, Gunnels coached and taught at River Road I.S.D. (Amarillo) in 1956. From 1957 until 1966, he taught in the Amarillo Public Schools, and from 1966 until 1968, he taught in the Plainview Public Schools. In 1968 he moved to Slaton, where he taught until 1973. At that time, he moved to Clarendon where he was employed as principal of Clarendon High School until 1978. It was at this time that he took the High School principal's job here at Bovina.

Mark and his wife, Deala, have two children. Dale, 18, just graduated from Bovina High School last year. Tana, 14, will be a sophomore this year. They were members of the First United Methodist Church here in Bovina



MARK GUNNELS

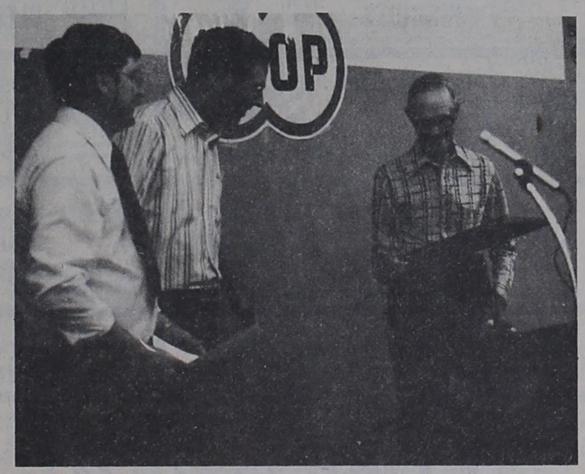
## Deadline Slated For Federal Crop Plan

Wheat growers wishing to insure their investment in their 1980 crops have only until August 31 to apply for a policy, according to Carey G. Johnson, District Director of USDA's Federal Crop Insurance Corporation.

Johnson suggests that major improvements in the policies being written this year are making all-risk crop insurance attractive to many farmers who have not carried insurance in the past. The improvements offer eligible wheat producers increased flexibility to tailor their insurance protection to their individual financial needs.

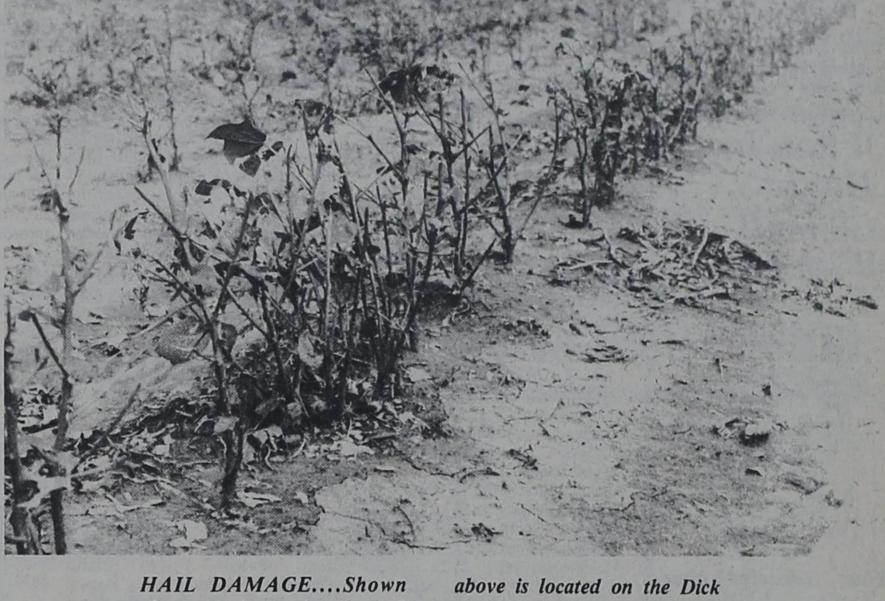
Specifically, the policies offer a choice of three different yield guarantees and three different levels of indemnity payments. In addition, premium rates are being determined by a new formula that reduces the cost of insurance to farmers who experience few or small losses. Still another change increases the maximum indemnity payment for crop losses to \$3.50 a bushel from \$3.00 a year ago.

Information concerning insurance for 1980 crop wheat, the production which it provides and what it costs can be obtained without obligation by writing 1416 West 8th St., Amarillo, Texas 79101.



45 YEARS....L.M. Grissom is shown above accepting the plaque that was given him in honor of 45 years of service to the Bovina Wheat Growers. Mr. Grissom, a charter

member, receives the award from Leon Schilling. The award was given at the annual meeting of the cooperative last Friday. Co-Op manager Larry Webb is at left.



HAIL DAMAGE....Shown above are the results of a hail storm that occurred last Monday evening. The cotton

above is located on the Dick and Bob Sparks farm north of Bovina. Damage to the crop was estimated at 80 per cent.

## Thunderstorm Gives Rainfall, Some Hail

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

North of Bovina, around the Rhea area, there were reports of two and one-half inches of rain and some farmers reported bad crop damage. Dick and Bob Sparks, who farm about a mile south of the Ten Mile Corner, reported about an 80 per cent loss on their cotton.

William Gromowsky reported that he received quite a bit of hail on his farm south of Friona. He also said there was some wind damage.

Randy Barrett, who farms about five miles south of Bovina, received some light hail. Jay Harris reported that he received about one inch of rain at his house northwest of Bovina. Harris also reported an inch of rain last Thursday evening.

According to reports, the Friona area received most of the damaging hail and heavy rains. Up to two and one-half inches of golfball size hail and flooding occurred north of Friona. Texas Highway 214 was reported to be under a foot of water in some places, and Farm Road 2397 was also reported under water.

Crops in the Bovina area are probably better than average condition for this time of year. The corn crop for the most part is looking

good. The vegetable crops are virtually made, with harvest already underway on some of the vegetables.

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Cotton has made a comeback in most instances from an exceptionally cold, wet month of May. Sunflowers, soybeans and sugar beets are looking good, so Parmer County farmers should be looking forward to a good harvest season.

Although we have had some hot weather, it still has not been nearly as hot in the local area as it has been in some parts of the state and nation.



NEW BUSINESS....Sue Fowler shows Scooter Russell one of the many varieties of plants available at their place

of business, "Plants Plus."
Mrs. Fowler and her son
Robert held their Grand
Opening this past weekend.

# Football Practice To Begin

It was announced this week by Coach Monte Barnes that the Mustangs would begin two-a-day football practice on August 13.

Coach Barnes also said the weight room is currently open after 7 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Players can pick up physical forms at the athletic offices on these days. Players can also pick up football shoes after August 8.

Coach Barnes feels that there is going to be a real tough race for the District 3A crown this year and expects four of the six teams to be in contention for the title.



P.G.C. AWARD....Leon Schilling and L.M. Grissom are shown above accepting a 40year service award from a

representative of Producers Grain Corp. Bovina Wheat Growers was a charter member of P.G.C.

## REFLECTIONS From The Blade

20 YEARS AGO--JULY 29, 1959

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

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

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

15 YEARS AGO--JULY 29, 1964

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

Construction started Monday class stated Spearman. morning on a new warehouse structure for Bovina Wheat Growers,

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

10 YEARS AGO--JULY 30, 1969

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

Mrs. Elmer Stark, the former Dottie Quickel, and her son and ADMISSIONS-daughter, Sabra and Kervin, visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. I.W. Hereford; W.B. Harper, Friona; Quickel last week.

recently hosted the McCutchan Helen Willis, Clovis; Martin Ruiz, family reunion at their cabin on Lake Summerfield; Elias Rodriguez, Vallcito at Bayfield, Colorado.

5 YEARS AGO--JULY 31, 1974

Ted King, son of Mr. and Mrs. D.T. King of Bovina and a standout DISMISSALS-halfback on the Friona Chieftains' 1973 football squad, is one of the top Rodriguez, Rosario Sepulveda and high school players from Texas and baby boys, Hazel Kendrick, Lena Oklahoma selected to play in the 25th Stokes, Maria Fabela, Linda Sanchez Annual Greenbelt Bowl Classic slated and baby boy, Martin Ruiz, Herbert for 8 p.m. Saturday, August 10, in Day, W.B. Harper, Helen Willis, Fair Park Stadium at Childress.

Billy Shelby, Bovina's two time all- and baby girl. state tailback-linebacker, has signed a letter of intent to play football at PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL--McMurry College in Abilene, according to information received Mildred Bradley, Bill Cogdill and here from Head Coach Don Newsom. Rachel Perez.

## Curry County Fair Slated

A long time Eastern New Mexico tradition will continue this year when the Curry County Fair opens at Clovis, N.M. September 4-8.

County Fair is the livestock division superintendent. Steve Fury will be Beef Cattle, assisted by Lyle in the same categories. Hutchins.

Breeders from across the nation are bulls and females will receive ribbons. encouraged to enter animals in this

name of the owner and must have been owned by him not less than 30 days prior to the opening day of the fair, said Fury. No breeding animal can be entered or exhibited unless the same has been recorded in the recognized book of records for their respective breed and exhibitors must

## Hospital Report

Linda Sanchez and baby boy, Maria Fabela, Friona; Elvira Mr. and Mrs. A.R. McCutchan Gonzales and baby girl, Friona; Hereford; Lucy Welch, Friona; Bill Cogdill, Friona; and Ronnie Wilkerson, Friona.

Rusty Lindeman, Elvira Elias Rodriguez and Elvira Gonzales

Ronnie Wilkerson, Lucy Welch,

produce certificate of registry at the request of the superintendent.

Fury stated, first, second and third place cash premiums will be awarded An important part of the Curry to bulls in the following classes: junior calf, winter calf, senior calf, with Mike Spearman as over-all summer yearling, spring yearling, junior yearling, senior yearling and superintendent of Department A- two-year old. Heifers will be classed

Champion and reserve champion

There will be a class for pen of three bulls, two bulls bred and owned All animals must be entered in the by exhibitors; pair of yearlings, one bull and one female; pair of calves, one bull and one female; get of sire-four animals the progeny of one sire, all owned by the exhibitor. An entry, according to Fury may include all bulls, but only two females.

> Entry fees will be \$2.00 in the open class and \$4.00 in the Jr. class. Out of state beef and dairy cattle must be tested for Bangs Disease before exhibiting.

A special Char-Swiss Breeders Association Fall Show will be held during the Fair. All animals to be eligible for this breeding class must be purebred and registered with the Char-Swiss Breeders Association according to Spearman.

Exhibitors wishing further information should contact the Extension Officer in the Curry County Court House, Clovis, N.M.

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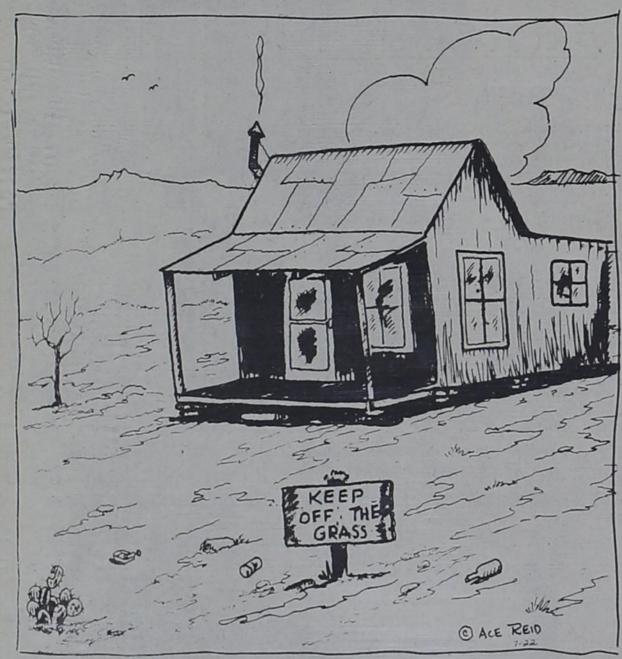
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## Board Slates Election

Grain sorghum producers in a 29-county area of the Texas High Plains will elect four members to the Texas Grain Sorghum Producers Board on September 15.

Terms of four current board members expire at that time. They are E.C. Witten of Edmonson; A.W. Anthony, Jr., Friona; John Gilbreath, Hart; and Don Nelson of Tulia. All incumbents are eligible for re-election to the six-year, non-salaried position as long as they are bona fide grain sorghum producers.

Any person in the 29county TGSPB area who produces grain sorghum and is subject to the board assessment is eligible to vote, including owners of farms and their tenants and sharecroppers. Any person eligible to vote is also eligible to make nominations for director. Qualified persons wishing

to have their name placed in nomination for membership on the board may do so by application to the organization, signed by himself and ten others who are also eligible to vote.

All nominations must be filed by August 15, at the TGSPB office, 1708-A 15th, Lubbock, Texas, 79401 to allow time for adding their name to the ballot. Forms are available at that office.

Ballots will be mailed to voters and must be returned to the TGSPB office by September 15. Any person qualified to vote who does not receive a ballot by September 2, may obtain one at his local County Agent's

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## Farwell Fireman **Attends School**

Eugene M. Palady, volunteer fireman on the Farwell Volunteer Fire Department of Farwell, is attending the 50th Annual Texas Firemen's Training School July 22-27. The school, attended by nearly 1,820 students representing about 728 cities from more than 32 states, is being held on the Texas A&M University campus this week.

Firemen can choose their course at

### Singers To Give Program

The "New Life Singers" from the W.T.S.U. Church of Christ Bible Chair will be performing at the Bovina Church of Christ this Wednesday night, August 1, at 8:30

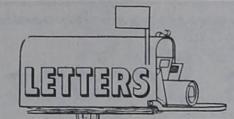
The group will conduct the whole program, including a devotional. Linda Reed, bride-elect of Widdy Gromowsky, sings soprano with the

Coffee and cake will be served afterwards.

the school from a list including fire fighting, fire prevention, fire department officer training, fire department pump maintenance, specialized fire protection, and disaster rescue training.

Fireman Palady is being sponsored by Parmer County Farm Bureau and Texas Farm Bureau Insurance Companies by contributing toward the cost of the school. Since volunteer firemen are interested in attending this school to help do a better job of fire fighting and fire prevention, 100 County Farm Bureaus and the Texas Farm Bureau Insurance Companies in the statewide program have sponsored 100 firemen at the school.

"The Farm Bureau Insurance Companies believe volunteer fire departments have been very effective in reducing the amount of loss involved by fire in rural areas," said President Carrol G. Chaloupka of Dalhart. "It is our hope in sponsoring this program that the fireman will help the Farwell Volunteer Department to better serve the residents of Parmer County."



## To The

We want to publicly express our gratitude for the friends, neighbors, and the many fond memories we will always cherish from the schools, churches and community of Bovina. A special thank you to the staff and student body, and to the Bovina Blade for the fine coverage given to the community and schools.

We extend our best wishes to the administration, board, student body, staff, and the fans for the coming years--not only in extra-curriculars, but in the field of study and every day

We'll be keeping up with the Mustangs and Fillies and where there's no "conflict of interest," we hope you'll learn to root for the Matadors! Come and see us when you

The Jim Noyes Family

### 35 Attend Luncheon

The Senior Citizens met for their monthly meeting Wednesday, July 25 at the Spot. Thirty-five members and one guest were present for the

Mrs. Pearl Moore, a former Bovina resident, was a guest for the luncheon and meeting. Everyone was reported to have had a good time.

Those attending were: Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Leake, Charlsie Eubank, Bertha McGrew, Oma Gunn, Mrs. J.W. Bell, Nettie Charles, Mona Smith, Bessie Trimble and Mr. and Mrs. S.N. Teague.

Also attending were Sophia McDaniel, Ola Epperley, Allene Russell, L.M. Grissom, Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Lide, Bill Venable, Mr. and Mrs. Reagan Looney, Mrs. Lorena Brock, and Mr. and Mrs. Grady Hall.

Also attending were Mr. and Mrs. Levi Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Buck Ellison, Mr. and Mrs. H.H. Kelso, Mrs. Marie Kriegel, Marlyn Kriegel, Mr. and Mrs. F.M. Crook, Mrs. Belle Willard and Mrs. Nell

The next meeting will be August

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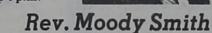


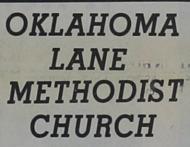
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When Paul was in prison, he wrote a letter to the Christians in Colossae. To them he sent appreciative words about several loyal people who were with him and faithful in the Lord's work. Paul paid special tribute to Epaphras, a Colossian, telling them of his constancy in prayer and hard work in their behalf.

Simple kindness, going a bit out of the way, and maintaining a genuine concern for others are among the qualities which are to distinguish Christians at all times.

PRAYER: Dear God, open my mind to see and stimulate my muscles to move into ways of helpfulness, even at unexpected times. Amen.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY Can some forsaken person count on me to be a Christian friend?

Claude M. Temple (Decatur, Illinois)

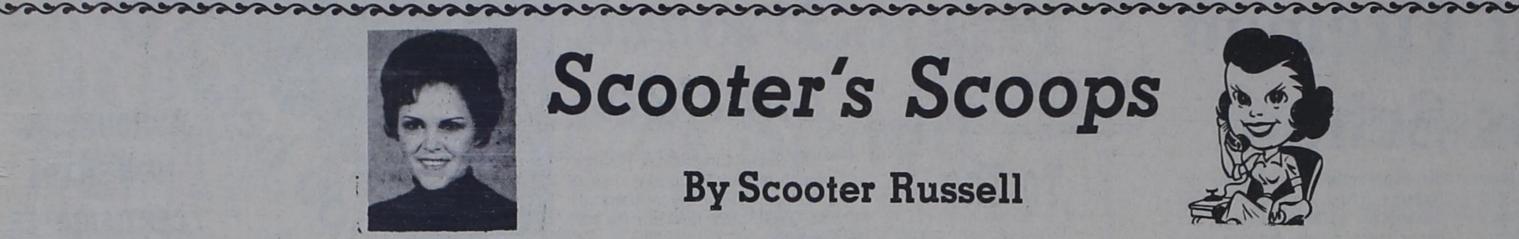
ST. ANN'S CATHOLIC

Mass-Sunday, 8: 30 a.m. CCD-After Mass Sunday Confession: Sunday, 8-8: 25 a.m.



Rev. Ronald McGovern





## Scooter's Scoops

### By Scooter Russell



Monday morning I talked with Ben McCain, newsman for KPMT-TV in Beaumont, about the floods that were caused by rains of up to 30 inches from the tropical storm Claudette which forced the evacuation of 5,000 people and damaged 15,000 homes in ten counties along the upper Texas Gulf Coast. It is estimated the damage throughout the area could total \$750 million.

McCain said he and others worked all one night carrying cameras, lights, and film equipment and waded water waist high, talking with people and looking at their homes and apartments. Ben is 20 miles from the TV station and said they got "only" 20 inches of rain in their area and he didn't miss work because of high water. In order to make it one day, he drove with two wheels of his pickup on the median all the way to work.

The National Guard and police worked together evacuating people by Army trucks to a local elementary school.

I also talked with Ben's wife, Christie, and she said in Beaumont it rained very hard and fast for over 12 hours and they were only out of power for a few hours but many were without power and telephones for two days or more.

I asked Ben if people were riding in boats during all this and he said definitely not because this had been tried before and it caused the flood waters to rise in homes and there had been those who threatened the boaters with guns, so this means of getting around didn't work.

The McCains said it had not rained for three days now and the waters were subsiding rapidly.

Now for news around hot and dry Bovina....

Pearl Murry's daughter, Roberta Vandeventer of Camp Verde, Arizona came to be with her mother July 12 and will stay until the first of September. Pearl and her daughter will then be flying to Hawaii to attend Roberta's son's wedding.

Roberta had a companion with her, her poodle, Bijou. Pearl said Bijou will go with them to Hawaii and his ticket was only about twenty dollars but in Hawaii it is a law that dogs must be quarantined for four months after arrival, so those visiting for a short time can plan on their animals being quarantined until they leave.

The cost for the quarantine is \$300.

Pearl's granddaughter, Renae Vandeventer of Flagstaff, Arizona arrived in Bovina to spend a couple of days with her mother and grandmother and will be leaving Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Huston Hoover have their son and his family, Joe and Pat Hoover and children Shelley, Dan, and Lesly visiting from Monroe, Louisiana.

The Hoovers' nephew and his family, Doyle and Betty Hoover and children Kitsel and Elaine visited Sunday afternoon. The Doyle Hoovers are from Dimmitt.

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Butch and Linda Woltman and daughters, Sherry and Stephanie of Albuquerque visited relatives in Bovina over the weekend: Butch's parents, Ruby and Jack Woltman and Linda's aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Huston Hoover.

Nita and Don Dale have had company: Nita's nephew, 10-year-old Fuzzy Conner from Lubbock. He came a week ago last Saturday and will go home Thursday.

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Thirty one FA's and GA's and nine adults spent a fun day at Church Camp at the Llanos Altos Associational Day Camp on the draw near Clovis last Thursday. The total enrollment was 127 and included Dimmitt, Littlefield, Friona, Farwell and Bovina. Sponsors from Bovina were: Brother Jerry Rockwell, Alice Stone, Sandra Clayton, Mary Evelyn Steelman, Doris Lawlis, Marilyn Rockwell, Donna Mitchell, Nancy Sudderth and Nita Dale.

The church camp included children from three years of age to third

The Larry Hodnetts have recently returned from a trip to California where they visited with relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Marchbanks of Fresno and did some sightseeing in the San Francisco area. Judy said they went to Chinatown, took a cruise on the Bay, rode trolley cars, went shopping at Fisherman's Wharf

and visited the Yosemite Park. The Hodnetts brought back their grandmother who had been visiting in California and lives in Lamesa. They went July 17 and returned home July

Rebecca Hodnett and Gail Turner have returned home from attending a two-week twirling camp at Texas Tech. Rebecca is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Hodnett and Gail is the daughter of Pat Turner. The girls will be Bovina Junior High's twirlers for the coming year.

Rose and Les McCain had company Monday of this week: Les's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W.C. McCain of Fieldton.

Billy and Suezy Smith and family attended the Smith-Lloyd reunion Sunday at the Friona Community Center in Friona. Also attending from Bovina were: Sid Lloyd and Elbert Kelly, Julia Ann Moody and children Elyese and Robbie, Larry and Patsy Webb and children Becky and Kendall and Mr. and Mrs. Odom Smith.

Kenny Estes has been visiting in Bovina over the weekend. Estes is employed at the Bell Helicopter in Amarillo. While here he visited with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs.

Herman Estes and his aunt and uncle Suezy and Billy Smith.

Members of the Grissom family gathered Sunday for a family reunion at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Grissom. Among the twenty-nine who attended were the Grissoms sons and their families: Larry and Pat of Houston, Royce and Karen and children Capi and Cory of Bovina, Don and Doris and son Cole of Amarillo, and Chip of the home.

All of Herman's family with the exception of one sister attended the reunion: two brothers from Oregon, one from Clovis, one from Oklahoma, his sister from Artesia, New Mexico and his mother, Myrtle Grissom from Oregon.

. . . . Mardee Grissom was telling me about their son Larry who lives near Houston. She said they had a cedar fence around their yard and around the bottom of the fence were crossties to keep the puppy from getting out. Well, the rains came and eventually the yard flooded and water started coming in the Grissom's kitchen so Larry went outside and opened the gate and let the water run

out, and kept the house from being flooded.

Mr. and Mrs. W.W. Wilcox have recently returned from a trip to Oklahoma. While there they visited in Sarah and Leedey, Oklahoma with Mrs. Wilcox's sister and brother, and another sister who was visiting from Arlington and Mr. Wilcox's sister. Mrs. Wilcox's brother, Buford Cordum of Phoenix went with them to Oklahoma and remained with relatives there.

During this time the Wilcoxes attended funeral services of Mr. Wilcox's cousin in Weatherford, Oklahoma.

Cole Sorley, 7-year-old grandson of the Grady Sorleys and Charles Corns flew back from California where he had been visiting for a few weeks with his dad, Phil Sorley. He stayed in Bovina with Dorothy and Grady for a few days and they took him back to his home in Amarillo Saturday.

Visiting in our home over the weekend: Bo and Jeanne Bartley and children Renae and Todd of Farwell who were dinner guests Saturday

night and Sunday Denise McCormick and her fiance Robert Rocha of Lubbock came by for a visit and also visited with Denise's grandmother, Hattie and Lawrence Gray.

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Several members of the Billy Smith family went Thursday to see the production of "Texas." Those going were: the Billy Smith family, Billy's brother and his daughter, Dean and Carolyn Smith of Pleasant Hill, Billy's niece and nephew Eldon and Charlotte Smith of Bloomfield, and his cousin, Larry Hendegart of Lodi, California.

Gaylon and Shelby Rhodes and daughters Pam and Mendy went last Tuesday to South Padre Island and attended the meeting of the Texas Plant and Food Institute. Shelby said there were about 140 people at the meeting. She said the weather was good while they were there and they enjoyed the beauty of the small island and had a good relaxing vacation while Gaylon attended the meetings. The Rhodeses returned home Saturday.

A couple of weeks ago, Mary Cox's (Continued on Page 5)

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## Scooter's Scoops...

(Continued from Page 4) mother, Leland Murray of Seymour

suffered a heart attack. Mary and husband Walter went to Seymour to be with her for a few days. She said her mother is getting along very well.

Monday, Mary and her daughter, Ann Caraway of Dawn went back to Seymour to spend time with her mother who will be hospitalized for several weeks.

The Coxes had their grandchildren spend the weekend. They are children of their daughter and son-in-law, Ann and Bob Caraway of Dawn.

Graveside services were held Monday in Mount Hope, Kansas for Mac Worthington, 76, who had lived in this area for 16 years and had worked as a farm hand for A.L. Nuttall. He died Friday at the Friona Hospital after a short illness.

Ken and Gay Horn went last Monday to visit friends and former Bovinians, Mike and Jackie Nabers of Fountain Hills, Arizona. Gay said they had a good visit and it was a very pretty place but hot. She said the temperature rose to 117 degrees while they were there and the nights were also hot, but they had a good time visiting with the Naborses and returned home Monday of this week.

We mentioned in the Scoops last week about the new business "Plants Plus" which is owned and operated by Sue and Robert Fowler. I wrote that the map and so forth would be in another part of the Blade but it didn't make it so Sue says they are continuing to give free plants to those of you who would like to visit this week. Now, to get there: go out the Pleasant Hill road, past the Buck Ellison farm, at the first road turn left and go about a mile and it is the second house on the right....red

Sue said for the open house last Saturday they had about 50 people out so if you haven't been...better go....it's real interesting. They have lots of hanging plants and starter plants and if they don't have what you want they can order it.

Lori, nine year old daughter of June Gay and Jerry Bradford is a member of the YMCA swimming team of Clovis and has earned the rank of "Porpoise." Last week she passed the junior lifesaving test which she was not supposed to be eligible until age 11 years but they allowed her to try out and she made it. In order to be a "Porpoise" she had to have in 25 hours of volunteer teaching, plus racing and diving abilities.

The team competed Saturday at Lubbock against Big Spring, and two teams from Lubbock. These teams are on the AAU circuit and swim the year round and Clovis only swims three months out of the year. They came in third place and were thrilled after beating one of the Lubbock teams. There are 15 children on the team. They will compete Saturday with Portales and later Cannon Air Force Base. Lori, we want to congratulate you and wish you lots of good luck in the coming events.

The Ovid Lawlises have had company: Dori's brother and sisterin-law, Mr. and Mrs. James Speed of

Coronado, California. The Speeds spent ten days with the Lawlises and while they were here they all went to see the production of "Texas." Doris said her brother had been all over the world and had seen lots of performances but he said the production of "Texas" was the most outstanding that he'd ever attended. Everyone that we have talked to about the show say this year is the greatest! We have not made it yet but plan to go in August.

The Lawlises have had their children and grandchildren visiting: David and Barbara and children, Connie, Keith and Christie of Grand Prairie. They left to go home Saturday but Keith and Christie will spend the week in Bovina with their grandparents before going home.

Several couples were in Ruidosa last week: Pauline and Bedford Caldwell, Fern and Durward Bell, Harry J. and Margaret Charles and Yvonne and Oakley Stevenson. Bedford said they just relaxed and played golf. They reported showers and nice cool weather.

Greg and Pam Bell celebrated their fifth wedding anniversary last week. They went Friday to Lubbock, had dinner at the Prime Rib Room at the South Park Inn, took in a show, spent the night and returned home Saturday. Grandparents, Mary Jane and A.M. babysat their daughter Kassie.

Last week Jay Harris made a trip to Dallas to see his children, Wesley and Carla Harris and son Christopher. Jay returned home Saturday and brought Christopher back to Bovina. Christopher will be spending a couple of weeks with his grandparents.

Marilyn Rockwell and children Julie and Micah went Saturday to Marilyn's parents', Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Davenport in Pampa and her sister and family, Ross and Jenny Coffey of Hartley.

The family attended a family reunion at the home of Marilyn's Uncle Vernon Davenport in Twitty, Texas, which is near Shamrock. Marilyn and children attended

church at the Eleventh Street Baptist Church in Shamrock Sunday. Her nephew, 8-year-old Chad Caddell of Hartley came home with

them for a week's visit. Jerry Rockwell went Monday to Pampa to attend celebrations

honoring his mother, Lottie Belle Rockwell, who has been a nurse at Highland General Hospital in Pampa for thirty years. She was selected by fellow employees to receive the Thomas F. Frist Humanitarian Award.

The family attended a luncheon in Mrs. Rockwell's honor at the Coronado Inn and Monday afternoon attended a reception held at the Hospital where she works.

The Rockwells returned home Monday night.

SMILE:

A man was wandering through the halls of a hospital when a nurse came up to him and asked him what he had. He said "Shingles," she then led him to a room, filled out a chart, took his blood pressure and temperature and told him to take off his clothes and a doctor would be there shortly. After a chilly hour, the

doctor arrived and examined him from top to toe and said "I'm sorry, but I don't see any sign of shingles. "Do you think you may have them on the inside?" The man looked bewildered and said, "No, there're outside...loaded on my truck....back of the hospital."

"Happiness doesn't come from doing what we like to do but liking what we have to do."

Have a good rainy week and thank you for helping out with the "Scoops"....Scooter.

## Big Nick's Takes Softball Leadership

With just one week remaining of regular play in the Bovina Lions Club Softball League, Big Nick's Machinery has taken over the lead from Parmer County Spraying Service.

Six of the ten teams will advance to

## Courthouse Notes

Instrument Report Ending June 27, 1979 in County Clerk Office, Bonnie

Warren, County Clerk WD, Wayne May, Don L. Brewer, lots 1 thru 16, Blk. 2, Farwell

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WD, Paul W. Howard, James Gonzales, Pt. S1/2 Garden lot 45, Sec. 31, T9S0; R1E

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WD, Jimmy Schell, Phillip N. Johnson, Pt. SE1/4 Sec. 25, T3S;R3E WD, Kenyth and Jerrel Cass, Jimmy Cass, Pt. SE1/4 Sec. 25, T3S:R3E

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lots 5 and 6, Blk. 18, Farwell.

the tournament to be played August 9, 10 and 11.

### LEAGUE STANDINGS

Team	W-I
Big Nick's Machinery	5-1
Parmer County Spraying Service	5-2
St. Ann's	4-2
Dorados	4-2
Northside 66	4-3
Horn-Clayton Insurance	3-2
Agri-Sprayers	3-4
Baptist Men	1-5
Bovina Pump	1-5
Juniors	1-5

RESULTS July 24--Baptist Men 22, Juniors 20; Horn-Clayton 16, Agri-Sprayers

July 26--St. Ann's 27, Baptist Men 4; Parmer County Spraying 8, Dorados 7.

July 27--Northside over Juniors (forfeit); Agri-Sprayers 21, Bovina Pump 13; Big Nick's Machinery 11, Parmer County Spraying Service 7.

July 28--Dorados 7, Juniors 0 (forfeit); Big Nick 32, Bovina Pump

July 30--Games rained-out.

### Team Sets Tournament

Big Nick's Machinery softball team will be competing in the open division of the A.S.A. sanctioned New Mexico State Tournament this weekend, August 4 and 5. Big Nick's will be one of the twelve

teams entered in the Open Division in the Albuquerque tourney. Play will begin Saturday, with Big Nick's playing their first game sometime Saturday morning.

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