

Bull Town Bulle- tins

By
Bill Ellis



IT'S TAX TIME! We got a letter from cousin Darrel Ellis who lives down around Houston. He's a 63 year old rebellious sort of fellow. He had just been working on his income tax return and had some informative comments to make about this yearly process. We thought we'd share his remarks with our Friona and Bovina readers:

Dear Bill & Carol Ellis,

You may be happy to know that I haven't been in jail yet this year and haven't been shot at in over five months. This is due, in part, to the fact that my neighbors emptied their gardens by December, and my arthritis prevents me from lying in the wet bushes near the poultry farm on shipping days for more than twice per month.

I am a good American citizen and have finally completed my income tax returns, even though it was difficult to find a form where I could declare the capture of 187 hens and 29 roosters last year.

In addition, it was impossible to find a place to offset the cost of building a speed-bump on the Interchange against the profit from the sale of hub caps.

Every year, I have to pick a form at random and change the questions to fit my answers. And, every year, I have to spend at least one day down at the Federal Building explaining my return.

My wife, Margie, and I have been watching the TV series "Mysteries of the Bible," and recently, one segment was dedicated to "Whatever happened to the Philistines?" They disappeared from history after the time of Saul. Unfortunately, I have found them! They are all alive and well, and working for the IRS.

I suspect that if old Daniel were alive today, he would be hard-pressed in deducting a month's wages just because he was locked up downtown in the lion's den. The Philistines would want signed receipts for the bail bond money plus the sworn testimony of at least two lions.

The next time that I talk to God I'm gonna ask him if, when I go there to Heaven, can I get there after everybody has gotten their government IRS refund checks. They ought to be in a better mood by then.

Best Regards,

Darrel & Margie Ellis

Reminder: Monday is the income tax deadline!

WE HAVE RECEIVED some advance publicity about the "First Thanksgiving Festival," to be held later this month, and the "Quadra-centennial Celebration," scheduled for the year 1998. If you're expecting these celebrations to be held on the East Coast, think again.

The First Thanksgiving Festival will be held in El Paso. There are activities scheduled for the entire weekend of April 26-27-28.

Twenty-three years before the Pilgrims sat down to their turkey feast in 1621, Spanish colonists held a Thanksgiving banquet of fish and fowl along the Rio Grande's banks. The first festival was held in 1989, and is sponsored by the El Paso Mission Trail Association.

Activities will include a dinner, auction and cavalry demonstration Friday evening at the El Paso Sheriff's Posse Arena. Saturday: a genealogy conference, the San Elizario Parade and Festival; a choir concert, the City of Socorro's 125th anniversary ceremony and trail festival.

Also, the city of Ysleta will hold the Ysleta Del Sur Festival, featuring food, music, dancers and poetry reading (attention, Mary Crump). At the Chamizal Outdoor Stage, a Ballet Folklorico, jazz music and mariachis will be featured on Saturday afternoon.

For further information, call toll-free, 1-800 351-6024. "If Thanksgiving Day is a Sunday in April, then this must be Texas," stated the Wall Street Journal. Texas just isn't satisfied without being number 1 in everything!

Aldermen Meet For Regular April Session

The Bovina Board of Aldermen met in regular session April 9, 1996.

Present were Mayor Gene Hutto, Aldermen Galen Hromas, Joe Olvera, Rick Anderson, Garry Beauchamp, and Kenneth Waters.

Alderman Hromas opened the meeting with a prayer.

Olvera moved to pay the bills, Hromas seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Hromas moved to buy the city a computer in the amount of \$3000. Olvera seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Beauchamp moved to renew the contract with Kathryn Gurley as City Attorney of Bovina with a \$1000 retainer. Hromas seconded. The motion passed with Olvera opposed.

Beauchamp moved to elect Jean Wiseman as alternate election judge. Olvera seconded, motion passed unanimously.

In a baseball park discussion,

Waters moved to require tournament scheduling two weeks in advance with a \$100 fee for two days and \$50 per day thereafter. Registration will be at city hall during business hours. Fees and/or cancellations will be required by the Monday prior to the tournament. The motion passed with Rick Anderson voting against.

Anderson moved to amend the motion to read a \$100 fee for the first day and \$50 a day thereafter, with a \$50 deposit for clean-up fee. Waters seconded, motion passed unanimously.

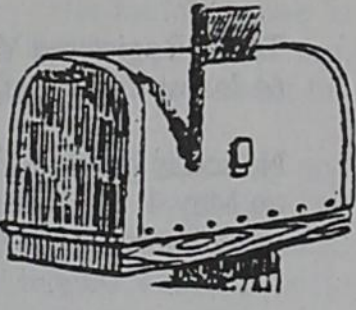
Hromas moved to adopt the proposed budget for 95-96 year. Anderson seconded, motion passed unanimously.

The Council entered Executive Session at 10:29 p.m. to review the 6-month job performance of Sarah Alonzo. The council reopened the meeting at 11 p.m. and the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 p.m.



CHAMBER BOSSES.....Outgoing Chamber President Jeff Steelman, left, welcomes the new president for 1996, Bob Owen, at the recent Chamber banquet.

DRAWER B 79009



Drawer B 79009 is a new Bovina Blade feature that offers bits and pieces of the mail we receive.

It will be a light look at some of our weekly mail that otherwise may not get in the paper.

We hope you enjoy it and invite your comments. The information mentioned will be on file at the Blade for a short time in case you want more information on any topic mentioned. Leave a message at 238-1523. Thank You!!!!

The fancy four-color annual report said "Thank you for your interest in Diamond Shamrock." We didn't remember having an interest in Diamond Shamrock but found out some interesting things about them.

On page 9 it says that Diamond Shamrock bought the 661 Stop N Go convenience stores in December 1995. That made them the largest marketer of gasoline in Texas and number 13 in the nation.

They also became the largest convenience store operator in Texas and number 10 nationwide.

Annually the company sells over 1.8 billion gallons of performance-tested gasoline through 2,709 outlets, which means they have twice as many outlets as Bovina has people.

Diamond Shamrock is headquartered in San Antonio and employs over 10,000 people. The report did not say how many over 10,000 they employ.

If you want to see their annual report, give us a call.

The American Kennel Club sent a big folder titled "How To Find The Right Dog For You".

It says "Deciding to buy a purebred puppy can mean the beginning of years of happiness. But before you make such an important decision, a careful examination of your lifestyle and needs is necessary".

Seems like a lot of work just to get a dog that likes to ride in the back of a pickup and chase cows and rabbits.

The AKC has a 15-minute video you can buy for \$7.95 called "The Right Dog For You" They say if you are a first time dog-buyer or want to add-a-dog to the family, the video is invaluable.

The video is available from the AKC by calling 919-233-9767.

Of course at \$7.95, the video costs more than most of the dogs we see around Bovina.

Purina Mills has a new "Special Process" mineral for beef cattle which they say may put an end to problems of dust and caking.

That means it resists caking when exposed to moisture and doesn't blow around when exposed to wind.

The new products are available with or without salt. Now if you can just figure out whether your cows prefer salt or not.

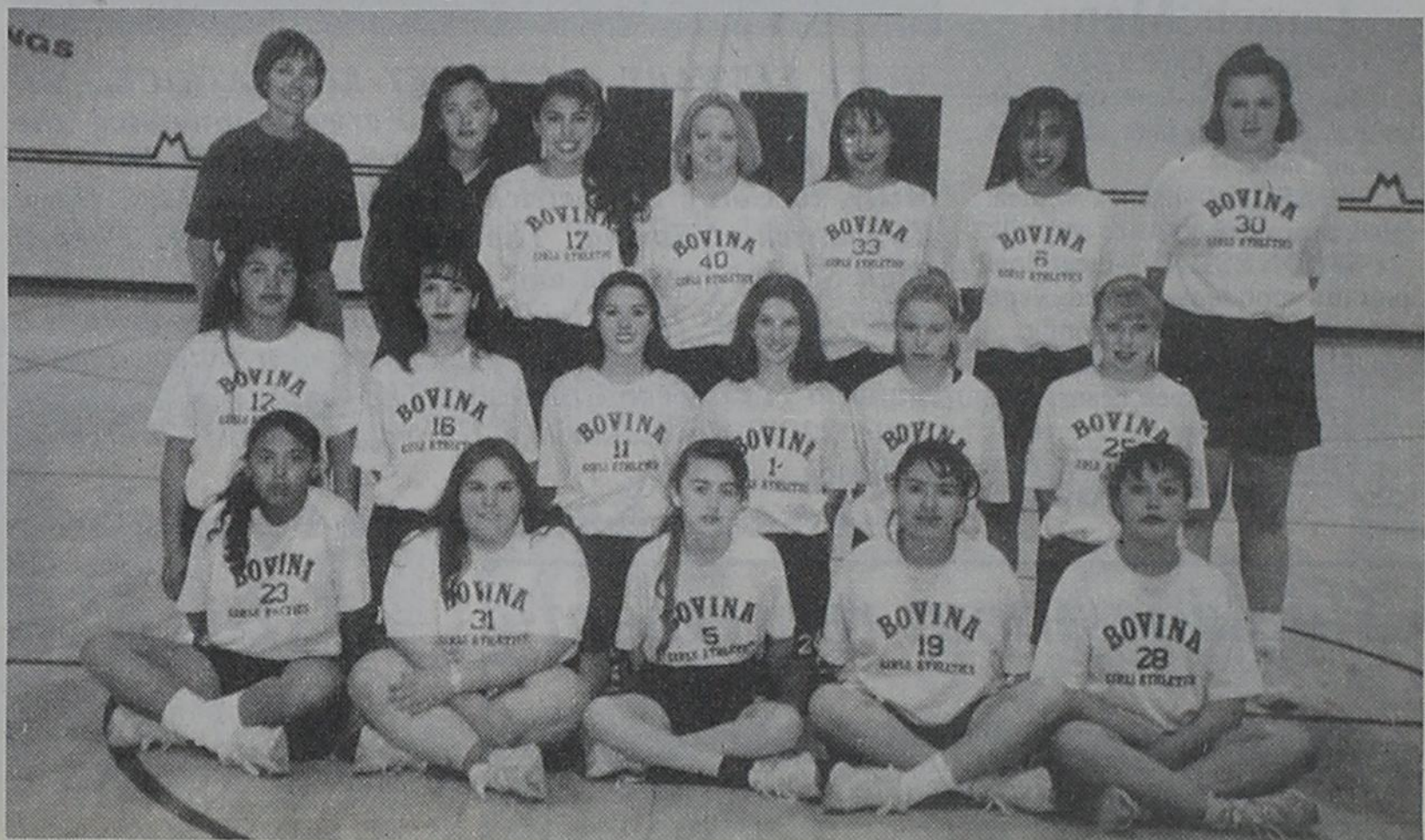
This great new cow food is available in all major beef cattle-producing areas in the U. S. A.

National Credit Education week will be observed April 21-27, 1996. Sponsored by the International Credit Association (ICA) the observance stresses "the need for citizens, especially students and young adults, to understand credit and the importance of strong money management skills."

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FILLIES RUNNERS.....The 1995-96 Fillies track team is preparing to make a run for district as the girls have been improving throughout the year, according to Coach Kathy Rundell.



JV FILLIES.....The 1995-96 junior varsity Fillies track team is looking ahead to district and to the 1996-97 season. Several of the JV girls have set personal best records in their events this year.

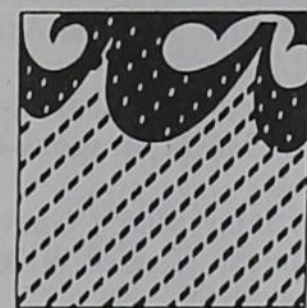
Early Vote To Begin Monday

Superintendent Sue Nuttall advises that the first day for early voting in Bovina will begin Monday, April 15.

Early voting will be available Monday through Friday, from April 15 to April 30. The hours will be 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Ridgelea School.

Voting will be by personal appearance only.

Pray for Rain!



St. Jude's Bike-a-thon Set May 11

A bike-a-thon has been scheduled for Saturday, May 11, to benefit St. Jude's Research Hospital. The event will be held from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

St. Jude's is a non-profit hospital that provides medical services to its many patients through donations and fund raisers.

Jason Ferguson is this year's poster child. He was diagnosed with melanoma, an aggressive form of skin cancer. Jason is now free of cancer thanks to St. Jude's hospital.

St. Jude's, located in Memphis, Tennessee, helps anyone regardless of financial situation or ethnic background. They benefit children from all over the country, including our West Texas/Panhandle area.

The organization has been kept alive through Danny Thomas' love for children.

Prizes and refreshments will be given to Bike-A-Thon participants. The event coordinator is Wendy Stanberry. she can be reached at 238-1355, after 1 p.m., Monday thru Friday.



SPRING CLEANING.....Trent Quintana mans the rake and wheelbarrow during the school holidays last week, as he helps mother Celia spruce up for spring.



JUST DRIVING AROUND.....Sonya Bermea and her partner, Bigfoot, were spotted driving around on a great spring day during the school break last week.

Jr. Fillies Have a Run At Sudan

The Bovina 7th and 8th grade track team had a great district tune-up meet last week at Sudan according to Coach Rundell.

This was the last regular season meet before the district meet on Saturday, April 13 at Dimmitt. The Fillies scored 118 team points, won four events, and placed second in four events.

Results: Shot Put-Casey Riley-4th-21'7"

High Jump-Lety Vargas-2nd-4'2"

Discus-Michelle Guzman-5th-52'1 1/2"

Long Jump-Vargas-2nd-11'0"

Triple Jump-Krysta Morris-2nd-26'2"

400m relay-Lindsey Pruitt, Melissa Cano, Morris, Vargas-2nd-59.49

800m relay-L. Pruitt, J. D. Jones, Misty Pruitt, Vargas-1st-2:08.01

300m hurdles-J. D. Jones-1st-59.46

200m-Morris-3rd-30.16, Vargas-4th-30.50, M. Pruitt-5th-32.29

1200m-Cano-1st-4:48.39

1600m relay-Morris, Jones, L. Pruitt, Cano-1st-5:08

Bovina School Lunch Menu

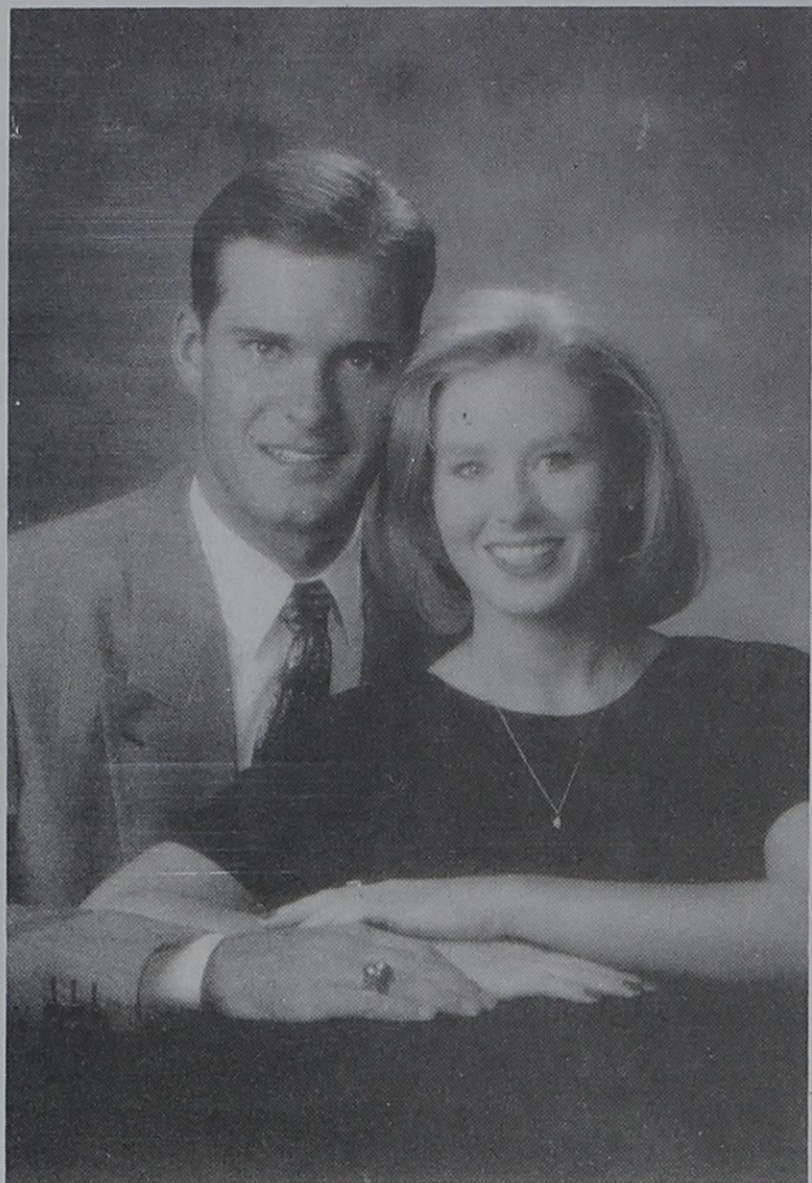
Week of April 15-19
MONDAY--ham on a bun, lettuce, tomatoes, tater tots, cake, fruit and milk.

TUESDAY--nachos w/meat, salad, corn, crackers, cake and milk.

WEDNESDAY--meat loaf, au gratin potatoes, mixed vegetables, cornbread, fruit and milk.

THURSDAY--chicken fried steak, potatoes, green beans, rolls, fruit and milk.

FRIDAY--hamburgers, fries, lettuce, pickles, fruit, cookies and milk.



MISTY STEWART and COREY KIRKPATRICK....Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Stewart of Farwell announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Misty, to Corey Kirkpatrick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Daryl Kirkpatrick of Bovina. The bride-elect is a 1992 Farwell High School graduate and a senior elementary education major at Texas Tech University, Lubbock. Kirkpatrick is a 1992 Bovina High School graduate and a senior finance major at Texas Tech University. The couple will be married June 22 in the Lakeridge United Methodist Church in Lubbock.

REFLECTIONS

...from the files of The Bovina Blade

40 YRS AGO-APR 18 1956

Bovina FFA Chapter's land judging team took second place in a contest sponsored by Blackwater Valley Soil Conservation District that was held in Muleshoe, Thursday, April 12.

Pvt. David E. Everett, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Everett, Bovina, is scheduled to leave the U. S. Navy for Germany next month as part of Operation Gyroscope, the Army's unit rotation plan.

Mrs. Ellis R. Barry underwent a spinal operation Thursday, April 12 in Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona and is doing as well as can be expected at this time. Mrs. Barry was admitted to the hospital about two weeks prior to the operation.

35 YRS AGO-APR 19 1961
Fast-spreading flames devoured the roof and gutted most of the interior of one of the oldest buildings in Parmer County Tuesday afternoon.

Despite the efforts of firemen from Bovina, Friona, and Hereford, the old XIT ranch house near Bovina was all but destroyed. The ancient timbers in the historic old structure went swiftly as flames spread from the attic in one of the gables of the rambling ranch house that was the main headquarters of the huge XIT spread before the ranch started breaking up.

Donna McDonald was initiated into the Order of Rainbow for Girls Monday evening at Masonic Lodge Hall.

30 YRS AGO-APR 20 1966

Oscar V. Venable, 82, died at his home here Saturday night of an apparent heart failure. A retired farmer and a Bovina resident for the past 35 years, Mr. Venable had been in good health until the time of his death.

Pvt. Joe M. Riddle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harley Riddle, is now stationed near Seoul, Korea. The Riddles are formerly of Bovina,

now of Dumas.

Mike Grissom won the boys high school singles in district tennis competition at Nazareth Monday.

The Bovina Mustangs track and field team dominated the District 4-B meet Thursday at Plainview for a first place finish and qualified five boys for the regional meet, which will be in Lubbock this weekend.

25 YRS AGO-APR 21 1971

Rain, after an absence of some six months, returned to the Parmer County weather scene Thursday of last week.

J. T. Jones of Bovina suffered a heart attack while on vacation in Orlando, Florida, last week. He is confined to a hospital there. Lane L. Gober, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Gober of Bovina, was among the more than 1,650 students in the College of Arts and Sciences at Texas Tech University to be named to the Dean's List during the fall semester.

20 YRS AGO-APR 21 1976

Bovina's Fillies will send a team of seven girls to compete in nine events Friday and Saturday at the Region 1-A track meet at Texas Tech University in Lubbock. Joel Nelson is coach of the team.

15 YRS AGO-APR 22 1981

Daryl and Karen Kirkpatrick have scheduled a Grand Opening for their new store, Kirkpatrick's, for Saturday, April 25.

Mrs. Pete Meason was hospitalized following a wreck last Saturday in Tulia, involving the family's automobile and two horses.

Pauline Sierra, 30, sustained a broken neck last Saturday morning, when her 1973 Ford car was hit by a pickup driven by Jose Adam Gomes, 15.

10 YRS AGO-APR 23 1986

Construction began on rebuilding a 2.14 mile section of State Highway 86 from the Santa

Fe Railroad southwest of Bovina east to the Castro County line. The work will be the first major reconstruction on the roadway since it was completed in 1947 and will cost the state \$4.7 million.

Applications for emergency farm loans for losses caused by hail, high winds, drought, excessive rainfall and abnormally low temperatures are being accepted at the Farmers Home Administration office in Farwell. Parmer County is one of fifteen counties eligible for loans to cover part of the actual losses resulting from the drought.

5 YRS AGO-APR 27 1991

Randy James, who has been employed at the Bovina Highway Department, is now working at the Muleshoe Highway Department as assistant foreman. He began working there April 1.

Lowell Primrose was injured last week while gathering cattle on a three-wheeler. He suffered a broken collar bone, five broken ribs, a concussion, and a burn on his leg. He is also suffering from pneumonia.

Pete Rocha, the first person to receive a bone marrow transplant in Amarillo, died Friday. He was buried Tuesday in his hometown of Laredo.

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Fillies Compete At Claude

The Fillies traveled to Claude for their last track meet before district competition.

They had one of their best outings of the year, scoring 32 team points and setting five personal records.

Senior Carmen Campos earned a silver medal, running her best time of the year in the two mile run.

The 800 relay team also ran their best time, placing second overall. The Fillies had qualified for the finals with the third fastest time. According to Coach Rundell the girls showed a lot of heart and desire, cutting a full second off their previous time. They were the only team in the event that bettered their time in the cold conditions.

Results: Shot put-Priscilla Martinez-6th-28'3 3/4"

3200m-Campos-2nd-13:39.5

and Monica Perez-5th-16:21.8

800m relay-Elia Marrufo, Lisa Hromas, Tammy Stormes, Ashley Zehner-2nd-2:00.43.

1600m-Stephine Villarreal-5th-6:36.5 and Maria Fragoza-6th-6:39.5.

1600m relay-Marcy Guevara, D'Anne Jones, Leslie Wilkins, Zehner-6th-4:56.89.

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NOTICE OF BOARD ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION de Regentes)

To the Registered Voters of Bovina, Texas:
(A los votantes registrados de Bovina, Texas:)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on May 4, 1996, for voting in a School Trustee election, to elect two (2) trustees.
(Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abriran desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m., el 4 de Mayo de 1996 para votar en la Eleccion para elejir dos (2) regentes.)

LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES
(Direccion (es) De Las Casillas Electorales)

Bovina Schools-500 Halsell Street, Bovina, Texas

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at
(La votacion en adelantada en persona se llevara a cabo de lunes a vienes en)

Ridgelea Elementary School-1000 Hwy. 86, Bovina, Texas
(location) (sitio)

between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. beginning on April 15, 1996.
(entre las 8:00 de la mañana y las 4:00 de la tarde empezando el 15 de Abril de 1996.)
and ending on April 30, 1996.
(y terminando el 30 de abril de 1996.)

Additional early voting will be held at the same location as follows: *
(La votacion en adelantada ademas se llevara a cabo en el mismo sitio de tal manera:)

Date (Fecha)	Hours (Horas)

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:
(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan enviarse a:)

Pat Read
(Name of Early Voting Clerk)
(Nombre del Secretario de la Votacion En Adelantada)

P.O. Box 70
(Address) (Direccion)

Bovina, Texas 79009
(City) (Ciudad) (Zip Code) (Zona Postal)

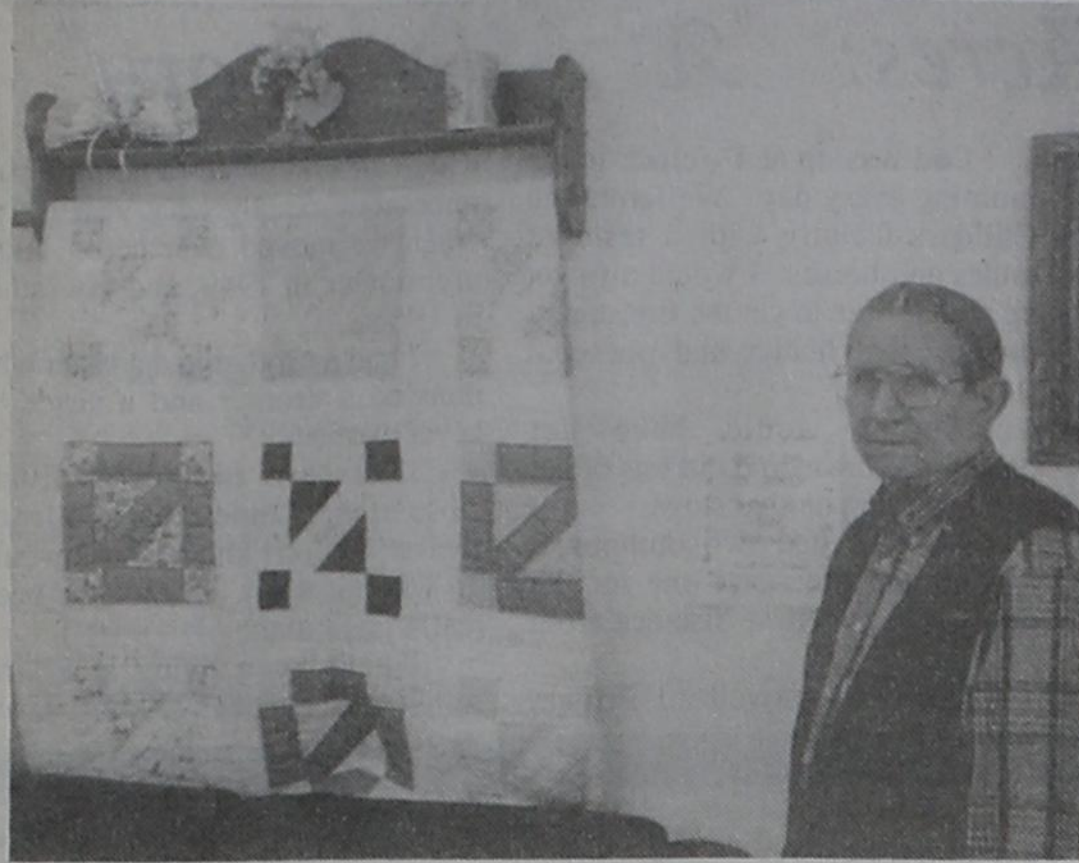
Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on
(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el)
April 26, 1996
(date) (fecha)

Issued this the 26th day of March, 1996
(Emitada este dia 26 de marzo, 1996)

Sue Nuttall

Signature of Presiding Officer (Firma del Oficial que Preside)

*If early voting is not going to be conducted on either Saturday or the last Sunday during the period of early voting, delete this part.



QUILT-OF-THE-MONTH.....Bill Wilshire is shown with the quilt-of-the-month at Prairie Acres. The quilt, made in 1930, was made by Bill's mother, Allie Mae Wilshire, who died in 1994. The quilt belongs to Bill and Margaret Wilshire.

Lotto Texas Ticket Sales Hit Milestone

The not-quite-four-year-old Texas Lottery has become the fastest U.S. lottery ever to sell \$10 billion in tickets.

"Thank you, Texas, for once again making your Lottery Number 1," said Nora Linares, executive director of the Texas Lottery Commission.

At just 45 months of age, Texas is easily the youngest U.S. lottery to reach that milestone. It took California, Texas' next closest rival, more than fifty months to hit that mark; Florida took more than sixty months.

"It's hard to believe that nearly four years have passed since we sold our first Texas Lottery ticket," Linares said. "What's not hard to believe, though, is that Texas has set another lottery record."

"We've been doing that ever since May 29, 1992, when we sold more than 20 million Lone Star Millions scratch tickets. Thanks to our 16,000 hard-working retailers and thanks to loyal players who enjoy the fun and excitement of Texas Lottery games, we haven't stopped setting records."

Linares noted that the pace of ticket sales continues to climb steeply.

"We sold our most recent \$1 billion worth of tickets in just 101 days; that's an entire week faster than our previous 'record' pace," Linares said.

The \$10 billion in sales breaks down as follows among the Lottery's products: Scratch tickets, \$5.9 billion; Lotto Texas, \$3.6 billion; Pick 3, \$350 million; Cash 5, \$150 million.

U.S. lottery sales records set and held by Texas include:

*Most scratch tickets sold/first day: \$23.2 million (May 29, 1992).

*Most scratch tickets sold/first week: \$102.4 million (June 5, 1992).

*Most Lotto tickets in first year: \$973.6 million (October 23, 1993).

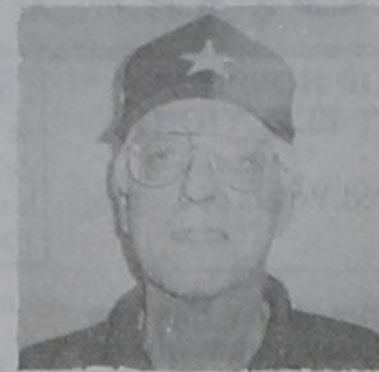
*Most Pick 3 tickets/first day: \$1.2 million (October 25, 1993).

*No. 1 Lottery in North America (August 1994 and August 1995).

*Most tickets sold in one year: \$3.037 billion (August 31, 1995).

Out Here

By RON CARR



"My heroes have always been cowboys, still are it seems....."

They're sadly in search of, and one step in back of, themselves and their slow moving dreams.

Cowboys are special, with their own brand of misery....."

Well, you know the rest of the song. Chances are you will find yourself singing it for a while since I planted it in your mind.

Me and Willie? Well, we've been friends over 20 years. Now if you see him and mention my name, he won't know me. Willie has a lot of friends that he doesn't know. That's the way heroes are.

Willie was born in Abbott, Texas, about eight miles south of Hillsboro, Texas. I was born in Hillsboro, so right from the start me and Willie had something in common.

There came a time later on when Willie became my hero. For one thing, you know you have it made when you get so famous that you only need one name. Willie, Elvis, Barbra.

Willie may not seem like much of a hero to some people. He has lived in the fast lane some. There's been some drinking, some drugs, several marriages. Not things that heroes are made of.

But I don't think a hero needs to be perfect. If they did there wouldn't be any heroes, cause nobody's perfect.

For several years I followed Willie to concerts in places like Dallas, Reno, Lake Tahoe, and Las Vegas. His road manager's name was Poodie. Others in his group were called Beast and Snake.

Paul and Jody and Mickey were in the Willie Nelson and Family band.

I've visited on Willie's bus, talked to him at a private party in Las Vegas, and sat on the world's biggest beer cooler while watching him from backstage in one of his Las Vegas concerts.

I've seen him play in the seedy atmosphere of the Sportatorium in Dallas, the site of early day professional wrestling.

My son's name is Zachary Lucas Carr. His middle name is named after Willie's youngest son, Lucas Nelson. They are about the same age.

But through all that rise and fall and rise again, Willie is just Willie. He hasn't changed much. Blue jeans, pigtailed, and music whose words talk to your soul.

Over the years, I haven't had many heroes. Mickey Mantle was one. Elvis wasn't. Roger Staubach was everybody's hero, but in many ways I liked Don Meredith better.

But the heroes who have remained with me are Willie and Lewis Grizzard. Lewis wrote a syndicated column for an Atlanta paper, but it appeared in every major paper in the U.S.

He has also written several humorous books. Stop by the library. They have a big selection of Lewis Grizzard books.

A few years back, Lewis was in a hospital, on the waiting list for a heart transplant. Many readers, including me, sent him get well cards. He didn't get the new heart, but when he got out of the hospital, he sent a postcard of thanks to everyone that had written him. Mine is on the wall above my computer here at the newspaper office. It says "I made it. God bless you for your prayers and thoughts. Lewis."

He made it out of the hospital. But since Lewis didn't get the heart transplant, he died within a year.

He wrote funny columns and then when you expected him to be funny, he would grab you with a serious human interest story. I miss Lewis.

I thought about this hero stuff a few weeks ago when a couple of athletes sort of "messed up." Former Texas Tech star Bam Morris, now with the Pittsburgh Steelers who played in the Super Bowl, got caught with somebody's bag of marijuana in his trunk and then they found some cocaine.

Super rich Super Bowl star of the Dallas Cowboys, Michael Irvin, got caught in a motel room with somebody else's drugs and prostitutes.

There will be a lot of talk about role models and heroes. How could they do that to their fans?

Well, in the end, it isn't a big deal. They are just people who happened to wind up in a hero situation. Do they have an obligation to you and me to be what we want them to be? Not at all. Heroes are where you find them and how you see them.

Real heroes are the people who keep going and keep giving. Like teachers who mold our kids lives while we work.

Like priests and preachers that keep on trying to pick us up when we fall down and remind us each week about life's plan.

And farmers, who work dirt hard and keep trying to feed the world while looking up for rain.

Famous pro baseball player George Brett once said that being a professional athlete and earning millions is not real pressure. Real pressure is on the dad or mom that gets up before dawn and heads for work in an old truck with bare tires to feed, clothe and educate their family.

Today, athletic "heroes" are a dime a dozen. If somebody that makes \$5 million a year for bouncing a basketball is a hero in your eyes, so be it. If an otherwise untalented person has the talent to catch footballs and earn millions is

your hero, so be it.

If your hero messes up, there are plenty more around.

Me? I'll just stick with Willie and Lewis, warts and bumps and all. They have messed up some. So have I.

There is a danger in holding a hero too high. I had rather have one that isn't too perfect. That way I don't have to be disappointed when they stumble.

Leaves me free to worry about other things. Ain't it so?



ME & WILLIE....Ron Carr and pal Willie Nelson at a Las Vegas party about 1980. The party was at Caesar's Palace Hotel between Willie's concerts. See this week's Out Here column for more.

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18 X-bred 584#-46.00	16 Mx 423#-61.50
5 Mx 437#-49.00	4 Mx 450#-64.00
3 Mx 413#-51.00	

FEEDER HEIFERS	FEEDER STEERS
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5 Mx 591#-48.00	14 Mx 917#-51.25
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NOTICE OF HOSPITAL DISTRICT ELECTION

To the Registered Voters of Parmer County, Texas:

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on May 4, 1996, for voting in a Hospital District election, to Elect Directors.

Location(s) of polling places:
 Box 1-Fire Station-Friona, Texas
 Box 2-EMS Center-Bovina, Texas
 Box 3-Community Center-Rhea, Texas
 Box 4-High School-Lazbuddie, Texas

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at Parmer County Community Hospital-1307 Cleveland-Friona, Tx., 79035 between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on April 15, 1996 and ending on April 30, 1996.

Applications for ballots by mail shall be mailed to:

Elda Hart
 (Name of Early Voting Clerk)
 1307 Cleveland
 (Address)
 Friona, Tx. 79035
 (City) (Zip Code)

Recommended but not required

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on April 26, 1996 (date).

Issued this the 1st day of April, 1996.

Bill Neely, Administrator
 Signature of Presiding Officer

*If early voting is not going to be conducted on either Saturday or the last Sunday during the period of early voting, delete this part.

AVISO DE ELECCION HOSPITAL DISTRICT

A los votantes registrados del Parmer County, Texas:

Notifíquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abran desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el May de 4 de 1996 para votar en la Eleccion para votar electar, miembros del board..

Direccion(es) de las casillas electorales

Location(s) of polling places:
 Box 1-Fire Station-Friona, Texas
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La votacion en adelantada en persona se llevara a cabo de lunes a viernes en Parmer County Community Hospital-1307 Cleveland-Friona, Tx. 79035 entre las 8:30 de la mañana y las 5:00 de la tarde empezando el April 15, 1996 y terminando el April 30, 1996.

Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan enviarse a:

Elda Hart
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 1307 Cleveland
 (Direccion)
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 (Ciudad) (Zona Postal)

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Extension Service Reception

Parmer County residents are invited to attend a come and go reception in honor of Mark Logan, the new Parmer County entomology agent.

Mark Logan comes to the Parmer County position as a transfer from the same position in Scurry County.

A come and go reception will be held in Friona at the Friona State Bank Community Room on Friday, April 19 from 5-7 p.m. in order for residents from all areas of the county to have an opportunity to meet and get acquainted with the new entomologist.

Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el April 26, 1996 (fecha).

Emitada este dia 1st de April, 1996.

Bill Neely, Administrator
 (Firma del Oficial que Preside)

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CARL HADLEY

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Dad was up at 4 o'clock in the morning every day. We farmed in Childers County with a team of mules and horses. I would also get up at that time to get the fire started on our coal heater and our coal stove.

Mother would bake her homemade bread and did lots of her good cooking on that stove.

We also had two outhouses, one for the boys and one for the girls. They were a distance from the house.

Later we moved to Friona,

where we continued to farm. I can't remember exactly what year it was when we moved over here. I lost my mother in 1949, and my father in 1966.

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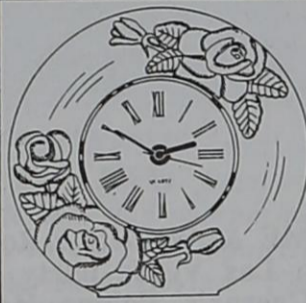
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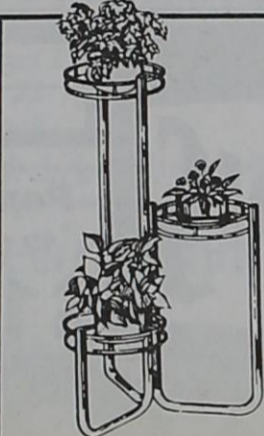
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Parmer County Farm News Update
 United States Department of Agriculture
 Farm Service Agency

Curt Miller, county Farm Service Agency executive director, has compiled a newsletter informing farmers and ranchers in Parmer County about important dates and deadlines to remember.

1996 Farm Bill

The Farm Bill has been written and is waiting for the President's

signature. As soon as we are advised of the Farm Bill regulations, we will let area farmers and ranchers know.

Direct Deposit

If you are interested in having your checks directly deposited into your bank account, contact this office for more information.

Insurance Deadlines

Production records for 1995 will be required for calculating 1996 APH's. Corn, cotton, grain sorghum, hybrid sorghum seed, soybean, sugar beet, potato and sunflower producers who purchased CAT insurance through this office need to submit production records

by April 30. Failure to do so can result in reductions in APH's. Operators on farms with owners that have CAT insurance in this office, need to help them by providing production records for those farms.

Failed Acreage

Producers must certify any failed acreage in this office and file an application for disaster credit (ASCS-574) prior to making any other use of the acreage. You must also notify your insurance provider within 72 hours of your initial discovery of damage.

1995 Crop Loan Rates

1995 commodity loan rates for Parmer County and the final date to enter the commodity into the loan are as follows: corn, \$2.25/bu., 5-31-96; cotton, \$.5180/lb., 5-31-96; grain sorghum, \$3.64/cwt., 5-31-96; soybeans, \$4.36/bu., 5-31-96; sunflowers, \$7.67/cwt., 5-31-96.

Dates To Remember

April 26--final date to request CRP contract Early Release.

April 30--final date to submit production evidence for APH calculations.

May 31--final date to request CRP contract 1 Year Extension.

May 31--final date to enter cotton, corn, grain, soybeans and sunflowers into loan.

CRP Extensions

CRP producers whose contracts expire this year will be allowed to extend their contract for one year. Rental rates will be the same as the original contract. All eligible producers should have received a letter from our office covering all details. The sign-up period for requesting extensions is March 20-May 31.

CRP Grazing

Due to current drought conditions, the Secretary announced an extension of emergency CRP grazing.

Livestock Feed Program

Parmer County has been approved for the Livestock Feed Program.

Land Changes

In order for this office to update records, if an owner change takes place on a farm, a warranty deed will be required.

Spouse Signature Authority

A husband and wife can sign most FSA documents on behalf of each other for FSA and CCC programs in which the other has an interest unless written notification denying a spouse this authority has been filed in this office.

CRP Early Release

If your CRP contract expires in 1996 and you are interested in early release, then you may file a request to do so during the period of March 20-April 26, 1996. Approvals will only be granted on land that has an erodibility index of 15 or less.

For more information on any item in this newsletter, contact the county office.

Center Sets Clinic Here

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and High Plains Baptist Health Systems will again conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic at Parmer County Hospital, 1307 Cleveland, Friona, on April 17.

Each participant at our screening will receive a breast exam and one-to-one instruction in breast self-examination by a Registered Nurse specially trained in breast cancer detection, and a mammogram by a mammography technician. "Our program is certified by the FDA, American College of Radiology and the State Health Departments of Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico," a spokesman said.

Breast cancer affects one in eight women. The key to winning the battle against cancer is early detection by having an annual breast exam, mammogram and performing breast self-exam each month.

The American Cancer Society urges all women to have their first mammogram by age 40. Those who have a close relative with breast cancer or other risk factors may be asked by their doctor to have a mammogram at an earlier age.

The total cost of the screening is \$70. Financial aid is available for breast screening and mammograms to individuals who qualify.

Please call the Women's Center at Harrington Cancer Center at 1-800-377-HOPE or (806) 359-4673 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

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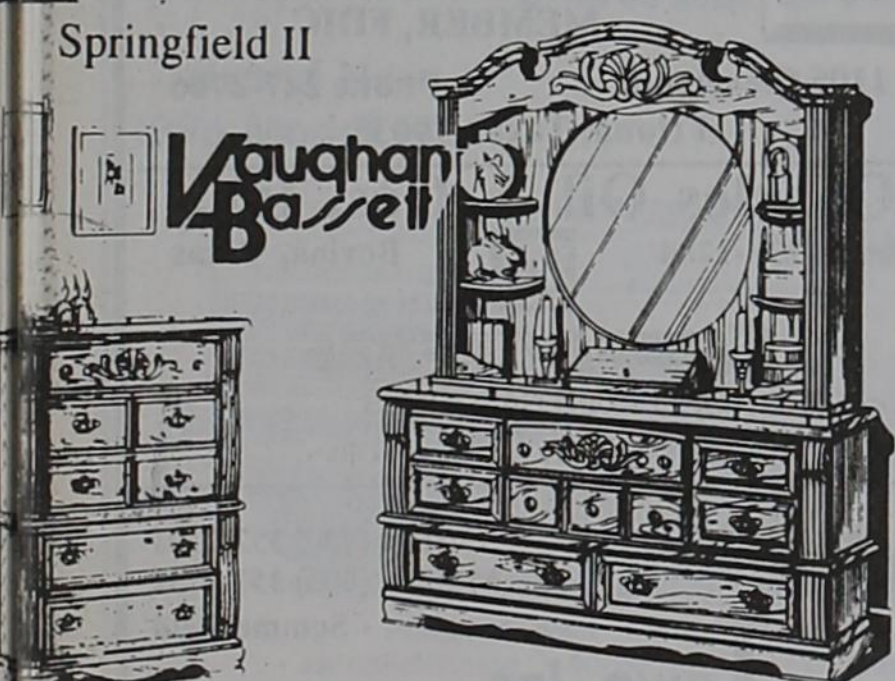


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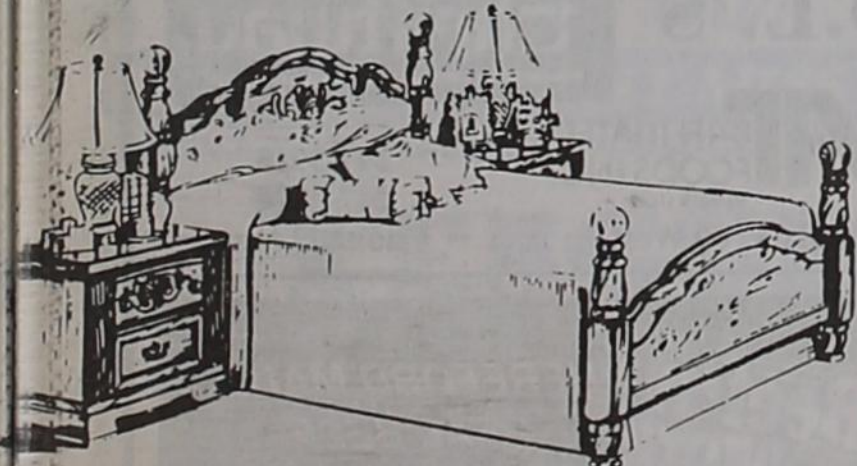
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Facts About The BIBLE BY JOHN LEHTI

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ZECHARIAH A YOUNG PROPHET

ZECHARIAH HAS BEEN STONED TO DEATH WITH KING JOASH'S APPROVAL, BUT, WITH HIS DYING BREATH, THE YOUNG PROPHET HAS WARNED THE KING THAT THE LORD WILL PUNISH HIM, AND NOW....

...THE PEOPLE HURRY FROM THE TEMPLE, AS IF IN LEAVING THEY CAN WIPE OUT THE MEMORY OF THIS DEED....

...IF KING JOASH IS WORRIED AT ZECHARIAH'S PROPHECY, HE SHOWS NO SIGN OF IT, BUT....

...WITHIN A SHORT TIME, THE ARMY OF KING JOASH IS DEFEATED BY A MUCH SMALLER SYRIAN ARMY-A SURE SIGN THE LORD HAS TURNED AGAINST ISRAEL....

...AND LYING DEAD ON THE FIELD, AFTER THE BATTLE, ARE THE BODIES OF THE PRINCES WHO CONSPIRED AGAINST ZECHARIAH, AND KING JOASH, HIMSELF, SORELY....

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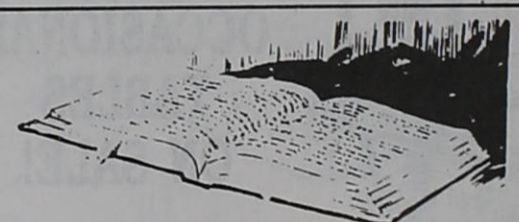
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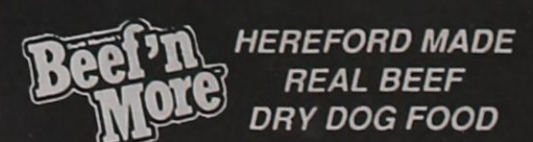
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Concert Assn. To Kick Off Membership Drive

The Hereford Community Concert Association's Spring Membership Drive for the 1996-97 concert season begins on Saturday, April 13 with a kick-off party for workers in the home of Helen Langley in Hereford, president.

Special guest in town during the week of April 9-13 will be Kay Nolen, representative of the New York office of Community Concerts. Bobby Boyd, Marlene Hendershot and Linda Weaver are serving as co-chairmen for the

drive. Von and Nancy Edelman serve as vice-presidents on the board of directors of the association.

Season memberships in the Hereford Community Concert Association entitles the member to attend concerts in Pampa, Borger and Plainview, as well as the ones in Hereford. Approximately twelve concerts in a wide variety of offerings will be available with one season reciprocal membership. Costs for memberships are: adults, \$20; students, \$10; and family, \$50.

Concerts are scheduled which will appeal to a variety of interests and ages. In Hereford, the three concerts scheduled are: "Little Eagles of Siberia," "Max Morath, Ragtime Man" and "The Dodge City Cow-boy Band."

Persons who are interested in purchasing season memberships are invited to attend the Sunday afternoon, April 28, 3 p.m. performance of the "London Piano Duo" as guests of the association. It will be held in the Hereford High School auditorium, featuring David Nettle and Richard Markham, "Britain's foremost piano duet."

Memberships for the 1996-97 season will be sold in the foyer of the auditorium prior to the concert.

Interested persons may contact Nancy Edelman, 247-3497, Johnnie Walters, 265-3375 or Claire Blanco, 247-3120.



COUNTY DIRECTORS....The four members of the West Texas Rural Telephone Co-op's board of directors from Parmer County were photographed at the cooperative's annual meeting recently. Standing are Jimmie Cockerham of the Tharp exchange and Charles Myers, Jr. of Hub. Seated are Floyd Schlenker, Rhea, and Charles Christian of Oklahoma Lane. Christian was re-elected to a full term on the board.

Sugar Beet Crop Is "Off And Running"

The 1996 regional sugar beet crop is off to a good start as young plants sprout through "excellent" seed beds in hopes of generating a high yielding, high quality crop.

All that's needed is some substantial moisture to help growers depend less on irrigation, says Dennis Printz, plant manager for Holly Sugar Corp. in Hereford. Holly is beginning its 31st year of contracting with growers for sugar beet production in the Texas Panhandle, South Plains and Eastern New Mexico region.

About 14,000 acres have been planted, says Printz, noting that the severe drought and cool planting conditions have held down the acreage. Plantings have also been behind due to the slowness of getting a farm bill passed.

Also, higher feed grain and cotton prices, as well as rotational

shifts in the area have prevented more acres from being planted.

Still, Printz says Holly is dedicated to making another solid crop for processing in the company's leading processing facility in Hereford. He adds, Holly will continue to contract for additional beet acres for the next several weeks.

"We are very encouraged by what we're seeing from the acres that have been planted," says Printz. "Seed beds are off to a good start."

"We are committed to this year's crop and we're certainly eager to sign up more acres. There is still plenty of time to get additional acres contracted and planted."

Growers wishing to contract beet acres or who have questions about the crop already in the ground should contact the Holly ag department at (806) 364-6475.

Letter To The Editor

Dear Bill,

I still enjoy reading the papers since I lived in Bovina and Friona both. That way I keep in touch with some of the people that I have not seen for a while. So I'm good for another year.

Thanks, Erma L. Stowers



Reese AFB Is Hosting Aerial Show May 18-19

REESE AIR FORCE BASE, Texas--The Department of Defense's Aerial Demonstration Team schedule has been finalized for the 1996 air show season and Colonel Randy C. Gelwix, commander of the 64th Flying Training Wing is

pleased to announce that the wing will host the base's annual air show and community appreciation day during a two day event, Saturday and Sunday, May 18-19.

The U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds, aerial demonstration team; the U.S. Army Golden Knights, parachute demonstration team; and the U.S. Air Force Academy "Wings of Blue," cadet parachute team, will be the featured attractions.

The "Wings of Blue" will perform both days. On Sunday, May 19, the Thunderbirds and the Golden Knights will leave Reese to put on a Sunday show at McConnell AFB, Kansas.

For those who are fond of watching the Department of Defense's aerial demonstration teams perform, the Thunderbirds, Golden Knights and the Navy's Blue Angels will make a total of 14 additional appearances at locations within a day's drive of Reese AFB.



ARTIST OF THE MONTH--Debra Baxter is Friona's Artist of the Month for April. Her paintings are on display in the lobby at Prairie Acres Nursing Home. Debra has always enjoyed drawing and won some awards in school. She took up oil painting about 15 years ago in a workshop with Arnie Vail and has studied with a few other teachers since then. Debra is pictured here with Ester Quine, social worker from Amarillo, who visits Prairie Acres about once each week to do counseling.

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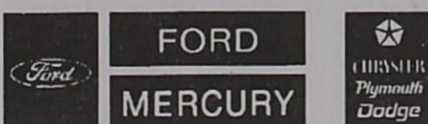
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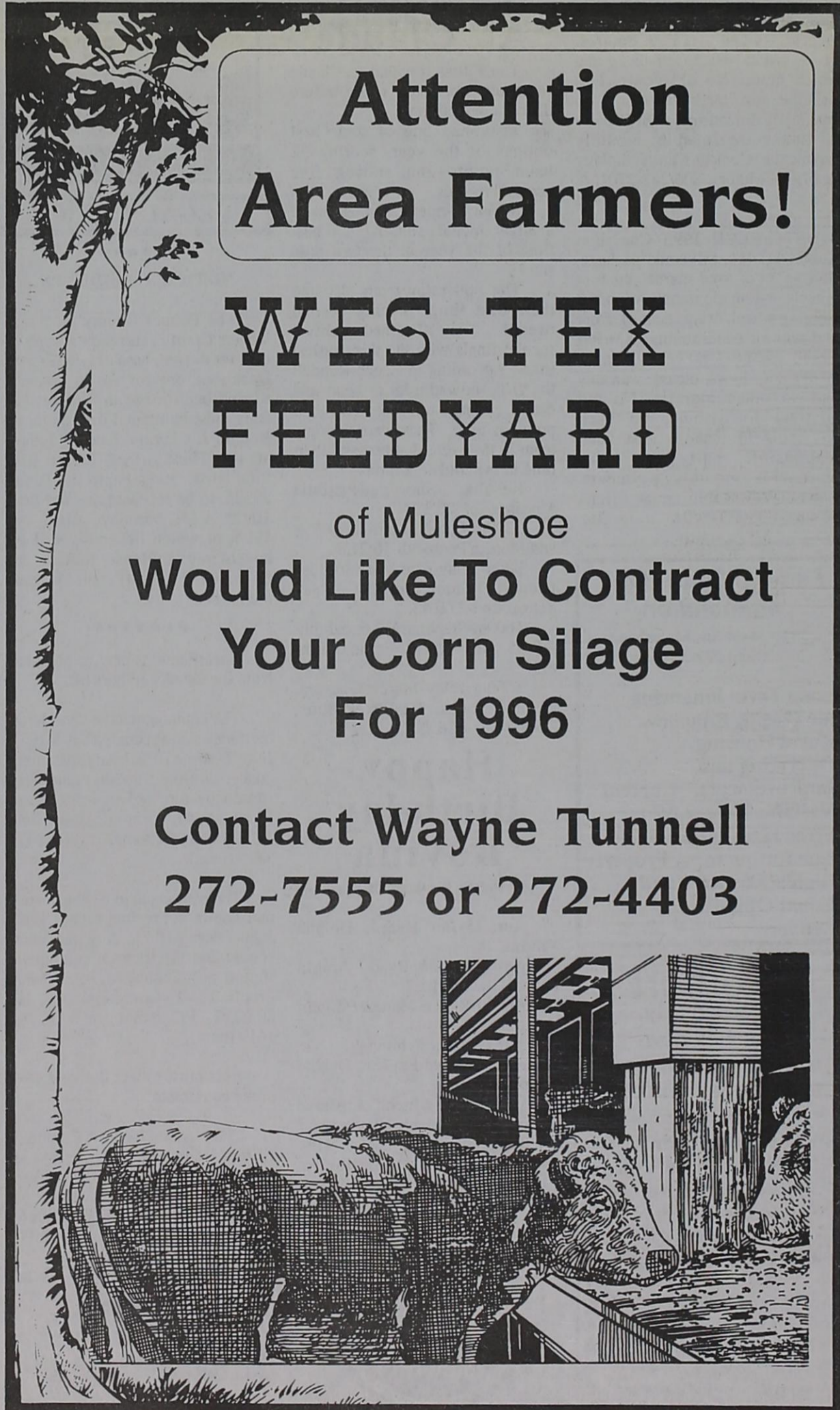
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Fillies Compete At Claude

The Fillies traveled to Claude for their last track meet before district competition.

They had one of their best outings of the year, scoring 32 team points and setting five personal records.

Senior Carmen Campos earned a silver medal, running her best time of the year in the two mile run.

The 800 relay team also ran their best time, placing second overall. The Fillies had qualified for the finals with the third fastest time. According to Coach Rundell the girls showed a lot of heart and desire, cutting a full second off their previous time. They were the only team in the event that bettered their time in the cold conditions.

Results: Shot put-Priscilla Martinez-6th-28'3 3/4".

3200m-Campos-2nd-13:39.5

and Monica Perez-5th-16:21.8

800m relay-Elia Marrufo, Lisa Hromas, Tammy Stormes, Ashley Zehner-2nd-2:00.43.

1600m-Stephine Villarreal-5th-

6:36.5 and Maria Fragoza-6th-

6:39.5.

1600m relay-Marcy Guevara,

D'Anne Jones, Leslie Wilkins,

Zehner-6th-4:56.89.

Happy Birthday Bovina

Birthdays for week of April 14-20.

Apr 15-Jan Heard, Delpha Vinson.

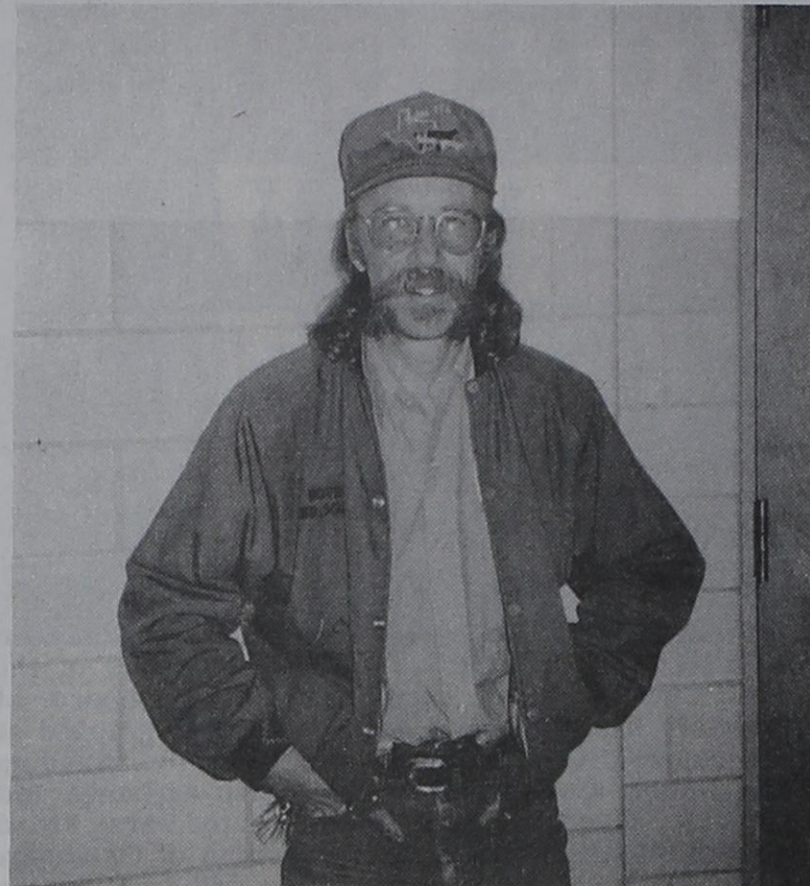
Apr 16-Ellen Estes, Arnold Reyna, Grace Ortiz.

Apr 17-Robert Marquez, Jimmi Dawn Jones.

Apr 19-Terry Schilling

Apr 20-Floyd Englant, Debbie Widner.

Want to add a friend or relative to our permanent birthday roster? Call the Blade at 238-1523 or write us at P. O. Drawer B, Bovina, 79009.



HAPPY APRIL FOOL'S DAY..... Birthday wishes to Stanley Miller were given on April 1st as the school cafeteria workers made him a cake and assured him that he wasn't really an April Fool's joke any longer. Some folks are not so sure.

Benefit Race Set April 20 In Clovis

Registration for "Chad's Stampede," set for April 20, will be held in the North Plains Mall, Clovis, near Wal-Mart, on Friday, March 29 from 4-8 p.m. (MST) and Saturday, March 30 from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. (MST).

Chad's Stampede includes a 10K (6.2 mile) run, a 5K (3.1 mile) run, a 5K relay run (3 on a team), a two mile fun walk or optional predicted time and a "Kid's K."

The starting time is 8 a.m. (MST) at Clovis Community College. The entry fees are \$8.00 for students, \$12.00 for adults and \$10.00 for teams. Each participant will receive a t-shirt.

Kid's registration fee is \$5.00

without a t-shirt. Awards will be given according to the age divisions.

The Citizen's Bank and Eastern New Mexico Range Runner's Club are co-sponsoring the event with the proceeds donated to the Chad Pharies Medical Fund.

Chad, age 23, is currently undergoing chemotherapy at M.D. Anderson Hospital in Houston for cancerous tumors in his abdomen, kidney and lungs. He is a 1991 Clovis High School graduate and was an outstanding athlete and is a senior student at Texas Tech University.

For more information, call Sandy at (505) 769-3289 or Kim at (505) 762-5576.



LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Parmer County Commissioners Court is currently accepting bids for the purchase of two (2) new Backhoes, one for use in Precinct #1 and one for use in Precinct #2. Bids must be mailed or brought to Bonnie J. Clayton, County Judge, at 401 Third Street, Room 104, P.O. Box 506, Farwell, Texas 79325, to be received no later than 10:00 A.M. Monday, April 22, 1996, at which time bids will be considered. Please include an original and four (4) copies in your bid packet.

Specifications may be obtained from the County Judge's office.

The equipment to be considered on trade-in in Precinct #1 is a 1985 John Deere 410 B. Any questions concerning the trade-in equipment should be directed to John Mars, Precinct #1 Commissioner, at 806/295-6155 (home) or 806/247-3713 (bam).

The equipment to be considered on trade-in in Precinct #2 is a 1987 John Deere 410 C. Any questions concerning the trade-in equipment should be directed to Tom Ware, Precinct #2 Commissioner, at 806/238-1193 (home) or 806/238-1419 (bam).

Bids must reflect the total cost of the equipment.

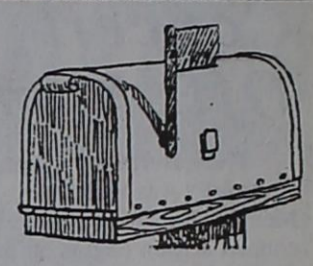
The Parmer County Commissioners Court reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals.

By order of the Parmer County Commissioners Court, Bonnie J. Clayton, County Judge.

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In a letter to the ICA, President Bill Clinton praised the program's effort and of course he knows a lot about credit.

Drawer B received two releases this week about the Farm Bill. The one from the Texas Farm Bureau in Waco said the bill was "the best farm bill farmers could hope for" given the current climate and budget situation in Washington.

But the Texas Farmers Union in Waco said "the new farm bill overhauled by Congress last week, paves the way for a corporation dominated American agricultural system in which farmers and ranchers will simply become employees and the independent family farm way of life will perish", said Wes Sims, Texas Farmers Union president.

"Family farming and ranching, the backbone of the Texas economy, will be the losing segment under this new farm bill, he said.

Pray for rain and while you are at it, pray for the farmers and the nation too.

State Comptroller John Sharp said that more than 40,000 prepaid Texas Tomorrow Fund contracts were sold during the initial enrollment period.

The Texas Tomorrow Fund allows Texas families to lock in the costs of their children's college tuition by prepaying the college tuition at today's rates.

Dr. Lamar Collie of San Antonio enrolled all 15 of his grandchildren in the fund.

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Remember, they can't repossess a college education.

The National Beef Cook-Off reminds that the entry deadline for the 1997 competition is just around the corner.

To have a chance to win more than \$50,000 in cash and prizes, you need to send your best beef recipe by June 1, 1996.

According to the rules, recipe entries must be postmarked no later than June 1 and received by June 7, 1996.

Recipes should be sent to "National Beef Cook-Off Entries", P. O. Box 3240, Dept. D2, Chicago, Illinois 60654.

The Grand Prize "Best of Beef" winner will take home \$25,000 and a matching set of Frigidaire Gallery Professional Series appliances.

Second prize is \$10,000, third is \$5,000, and \$2,500 for two honorable mentions.

The qualifying recipes must: Have a preparation and cooking time of 60 minutes or less, use at least one pound but not more than two pounds of beef, use no more than 8 ingredients excluding salt, ground black pepper and water, and be an original, unpublished recipe.

For complete contest rules call 1-800-848-9088. Come on, you Bovina beef cooks, let's bring home the prizes.

The Blade has more information too. Try out your favorite recipe and invite us over to sample it.

Finally, Sea World of Texas in San Antonio sent us a really fancy folder with lots of information about what is going on there in 1996. Call or come by if you are interested.

The Sea World Career Camp, for instance, is for students in the 9th through the 12th grades to live in the San Antonio marine life park for an entire week and learn about marine life.

It's daily interaction with animals, kind of like the newspaper business.

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NOTICE OF CITY ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION GENERAL)

To the Registered Voters of Bovina, Texas:
 (A los votantes registrados del Bovina, Texas:)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on May 4, 1996, for voting in a city election, to elect two aldermen for full terms. (Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abirran desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m., el 4 de Mayo de 1996 para votar en la Eleccion para elegir dos concejal de terminos completos.)

LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES
 (Direccion (es) De Las Casillas Electorales)

EMS Building on Third Street, Bovina, Texas 79009

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at
 (La votacion en adelantada en persona se llevara a cabo de lunes a viernes en)

Bovina City Hall, 205 North Street, Bovina, Texas 79009

between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on April 15, 1996. (entre las 8:00 de la manana y las 5:00 de la tarde empezando el 15 de Abril de 1996.) and ending on April 30, 1996. (y terminando el 30 de abril de 1996.)

Additional early voting will be held at the same location as follows: *
 (La votacion en adelantada ademas se llevar a cabo en el mismo sitio de tal anera:)
 Date (Fecha) Hours (Horas)

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:
 (Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan enviarse a:)

Pat Kunselman
 (Name of Early Voting Clerk)
 (Nombre del Secretario de la Votacion En Adelantada)

205 North Street
 (Address) (Direccion)

Bovina, Texas 79009
 (City) (Ciudad) (Zip Code) (Zona Postal)

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on
 (Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el)
 April 30, 1996
 (date) (fecha)

Issued this the 6th day of April, 1996
 (Emitada este dia 6 de Abril, 1996)

S/S Gene Hutto
 Signature of Presiding Officer (Firma del Oficial que Preside)

*If absentee voting is not going to be conducted on either Saturday or the last Sunday during the period of absentee voting, delete this part.