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There were 72 for Bible Study Sunday morning; 110 in attendance for worship services and 75 present for the evening worship service.

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LETTER To the Editor

Dolph Moten
Bovina Blade
Bovina, Texas

Dear Mr. Moten,
On behalf of the people of Silverton, please allow me the privilege of expressing through your letters to the editor column, our profound appreciation to the wonderful people of your city and surrounding communities, who have so unselfishly aided this community following our tragic tornado.

Your generosity has been overwhelming and we give our heartfelt thanks to everyone who participated in our aid.

We trust that it will never become necessary that we return your kind acts because of such a calamity as visited our community. But neighboring communities with a spirit of giving such as yours has, have made all the difference in the beginning of our recovery.

Our best wishes and our thanks to your people.
Sincerely,
Spencer Long
Mayor, City of Silverton

Green Thumb Corner

By Sally Whitesides

Would a rose, by any other name, really smell so sweet? All around town bushes and banks of roses are gracing the homes of those fortunate enough to grow them.

As easy as roses are to grow, it is a mystery why more aren't to be seen.

Of course, you can buy the plants already started, but there is also the simple process of starting your own. Just take a limb with several "notches" still on it and place in damp soil—sand works best, I'm told, and keep damp. It is advisable to cover the cuttings with a fruit jar to hold the moisture in, but some will survive without this added care.

Last summer, Mother got a cutting of one of Mrs. Lewis Peach's lovely roses in the form of one bloom. After the bloom was gone, she kept it in water, changing it often and feeding the water occasionally. Before we knew it, there were miniature roots growing from the notches. It was planted outside and, low and behold, this spring, there are buds on it.

Most of ours, other than cuttings acquired in the last year, are the plain ole garden variety of rose, but several people in town have some outstanding varieties. Mrs. Lulu White has several species of "tea roses" which smell of a delicate tea fragrance when they bloom. Mrs. E. C. Berry, east of town, also has several different types.

Another rose garden which has been pretty in the past years and, we're sure will be again this year, is that of A. G. White. The roses there have always completely covered the fence, and, when in bloom, are a mass of color. Don't miss the show, it'll be worth your time.

Also, a suggested jaunt around town in search of pretty flowers is a drive past the W. A. Tritsch home. The Japanese poppies are in bloom now. Bright red, the poppy has several different variations. Some to be seen at the Tritsch home are large single-petaled ones with centers strikingly resembling the center of the large emperor tulips. The center looks like a big black spider in this species. Another type is the smaller, double-petaled type, also very pretty.

The poppy, easily grown from roots, is hard, says Mrs. Tritsch, to grow from seed. But once started, poppies will stay green all winter and hold their blooms for a long time—up to three weeks. A slow spreader, the poppy does very little growing outdoors. The best way to get new plants is to dig, separate roots, and begin all over again.

Well, the season of the iris is almost past, or, at least, ours are well past their prime. We had quite a bit of trouble this spring, keeping birds from eating the buds. A family conference was held the first time we found a broken spike and an eaten bud and all of us had our own ideas about what was ruining our precious blooms. Oddly enough, none of us accused the local birds. Walked out the back door the other morning and there was a black and white bird, perched on top of "Master Charles" pecking away. Needless to say, he was called a "dirty bird" as we set about preventing such happenings.

In the process of saving the flowers by the age old method of a string with strips of material flopping from it, we discovered another twist; use strips of brightly colored plastic (we used old plastic potato sacks) instead of material or paper. The plastic will stand up under hard winds, rain and sprinklings and still flop and rustle enough to keep even the bravest bird at a distance.

Watch your roses, lilacs, etc., for blight. Now is the time to get out the trusty old Black Leaf 40 or any of the new compounds to be found at the stores; spray your plants according to directions and watch the results—it really will help and won't injure the blooms at all.

On the subject of chrysanthemums; now is the time, if you hurry, to replant your mums. Remember, it is the new growth which blooms. Authorities will tell you to dig your mums each spring, discarding the old growth and replanting only the new, fresh starts. This will make for better blooms come autumn. Not only that, you can have other, earlier blooming flowers,

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well on the piano, the two ladies sang a duet, "Graduation Day." The address of welcome was given by Mrs. Charles, president of the W.S.C.S., and Donnie Spring gave the response.

The school colors of maroon and white were carried out in the floral arrangement at the head table. Among the flowers were miniature graduates.

Mrs. Otie Ellison, senior sponsor, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Morton, and Rev. and Mrs. W. R. Beard, pastor and wife, were present for the meal.

Approximately 20 members of the two organizations participated in the preparation of the breakfast.

WMU Meets In Circles Tuesday

Members of Women's Missionary Union of the First Baptist Church met Tuesday afternoon in groups for the completion of the studies in progress.

Members of the Blanch Grove Circle were guests in the home of Mrs. Boye Taylor. Mrs. Virgil Goodwin was in charge of the program, completing the study "What Now for the Jews." The study, which was divided into four separate lessons, dealt with the history, present and future accomplishments of the Jewish people of Asia, Europe and the Western Hemisphere.

The calendar of prayer was read by Mrs. P. A. Adams, and Mrs. Taylor served refreshments of cookies, coffee and lemonade to those present.

They were Mrs. Bobby Engant, Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Allen Cumpton, Mrs. Johnnie Horn, Mrs. Alva Hudson, Mrs. Roy Fuller, Mrs. Goodwin, Mrs. Don Murphy and the hostess.

Mrs. Arnold Hromas was in charge of the study when the members of the Rea Buster Circle met Tuesday afternoon in the annex of the church. Mrs. Hromas completed the study of "Ways to Pray" which

has been in progress for over a month.

Mrs. Dean McCallum was hostess for the day. She served refreshments of cookies and tea to Mrs. Hromas, Mrs. R. N. Williford, and Mrs. J. O. Combs.

Gone Fishing

Several men of this area took advantage of the pretty spring weather over the weekend to "wet a hook" in the area's fishing spots. Among them was Eddie Ray Hutto. He, his brother, Delmar, and sons of Tulla and other friends of the Tulla area went to Conchas Dam, near Tucumcari, N. M. Friday afternoon for the weekend. They returned home Sunday evening.

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Memorial Day - May 30

Church Schedules

PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS

Sunday School	10 a. m.
Morning Worship	11 a. m.
PHYS	7 p. m.
Evening Worship	8 p. m.
Mid-week Service	8:00 p. m.

BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Virgil Goodwin, Pastor

Bible Study	9:45 a. m.
Worship Service	11 a. m.
Training Union	8:30 p. m.
Evening Worship	7:30 p. m.
Wednesday Service	8 p. m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
James Hartsell, Minister

Bible Study	10:00 a. m.
Praching	11:00 a. m.
Communion	11:45 a. m.
Evening Worship	8:00 p. m.
Ladies' class, Tuesday	2:30 p. m.
Wednesday	
Mid-week Service	8:00 p. m.

METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. W. E. Beard, Pastor

Church School	9:45 a. m.
Morning Worship	11 a. m.
Evening Fellowship	6:30 p. m.
Evening Worship	7:30 p. m.

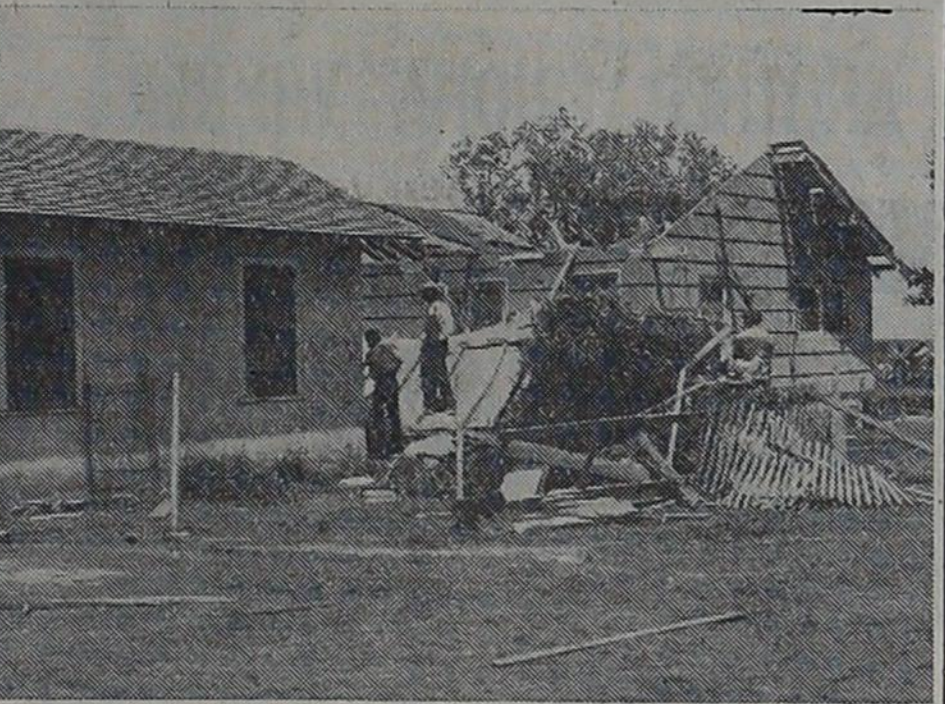
Parmer County Keeps Eyes Open As Tornado Rakes Rural Area



This was the first thing which the Oklahoma Lane tornado struck. Soon after the funnel formed it came down overturning the trailer, loaded with corn. The trailer and corn were owned by Wendol Christian.



This is all that remained of the cow barn on the E. H. Meeks farm, in Oklahoma Lane community, when the twister struck there. It was a 15x40 frame structure and was located a few hundred feet south of the Meeks home.



The Joe Brummett home, three miles southeast of Friona, was de-roofed, and considerable other damage was inflicted on the property. Mrs. Brummett and one daughter dashed to the cellar and avoided injury.



Wreckage littered the area around the J. L. Stowers home southeast of Friona after the twister passed by. Heavily damaged was the Ford tractor. A garage was torn down, windmill overturned, and much property damage inflicted, although the house was virtually unharmed. Mrs. Stowers opened the windows, and it is believed this precaution saved her house.

Out of the brooding thunderheads of a humid May morning swirled the most watched—and most feared—tornadoes ever to come to Parmer County, last Friday at about 10:45 in the morning.

All Plains residents have been jittery about the tough twisters since three weeks ago when 20 persons were killed at Silverton, about 100 miles east of here.

The storm apparently brewed in the southwestern part of the county, and then moved in the traditional northeastern direction. It first dipped down in the Oklahoma Lane area, and later skipped clear across the county, passing through Deaf Smith County and on past Bushland in Potter County. It appeared to build up intensity as it moved along.

Tornado Strikes E. H. Meeks Farm

A tornado ripped through a six mile area near the Oklahoma Lane community at approximately 11 a.m. Friday, resulting in considerable damage at the E. H. Meeks farm. The funnel bounced around the farm home, completely destroying a cow barn, a storage shed, ripping off several tree branches, damaging an orchard, and lifting shingles from the house.

Over most of the area which it passed the tornado covered a path 100 feet wide, but no extensive damage other than that at the Meeks farm was reported. Where the funnel first hit on the Wendol Christian farm, a trailer loaded with corn was overturned.

The black cloud crossed a wheat field, but it was not damaged. The wheat was lain over and completely covered with mud, but by the next day the grain had come out of it and

was back to normal. There were several eye witnesses to the tornado, but at the three homes which it came the closest to, no one was around. Mr. and Mrs. Meeks had left early Friday morning for Clovis where they were visiting a neighbor, Ches Fowler, who was in the hospital.

The funnel passed directly through the farm yard and struck on each side of the house, but did not do severe damage to the home itself. An orchard to the south of the house was badly damaged and a tree directly to the north was broken off.

Other damage at the Meeks farm includes holes in a steel quonset building, caused by flying objects from where the cow barn and other shed were destroyed.

Mr. and Mrs. Arlie Taylor

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Deputy Watches As Storm Roars

Deputy Bill Ford of Friona was probably the person who got the closest—and best—look at the tornado (or perhaps it was the second tornado) that moved from northwest of Hub past Friona and through the Black community.

Ford, like many other policemen, was checking on the storm's progress and got a little too close for comfort. He backed up to turn around once, and got stuck in the mud for a few minutes. He was stopped almost under the gyrating clouds that were forming the funnel.

Ford said that at times the wind was terrific. He had one window open, and once the wind whipped into the car, tore loose a flapping seat cover, and jammed his hat into the floor of the back seat. "That's when I began to get a little uneasy," he said.

Ford watched the chunks of clouds chase themselves, and suddenly, "they all dropped to the ground and began moving along," he remembers. He charted the forming funnel along the road and reported to Friona that it looked as though it might strike the eastern part of town. The town evacuated.

However, the winds veered to the east and ripped into the Joe Brummett home. "You couldn't see much in the middle of the funnel itself," says Ford. "A chunk of Joe's roof vanished into the wind and I didn't see it again until it got pitched out of the center way up in the air. The storm would expand and then contract, and it seemed to really tear things up when it got tight and narrow."

Ford says at this point it was hard to make out the funnel, and only when it picked up dirt or other debris was it easy to distinguish from the other clouds.

A CLEAR FIELD

The head of the house was reading a newspaper article very carefully. When he had come to the end he remarked to his wife: "Do you know, dear, I think there's something in what this article says—that the cleverness of the father often proves a stumbling-block to the son."

His wife heaved a sigh of relief. "Well, thank goodness," she said, "our Bobby won't have anything to fall over!"



I'M ALL SHOOK UP—Is what this poor chicken probably felt like saying after being swamped by a tornado at the Joe Brummett farm Friday. Later, someone kindly put the mud-covered, shivering fowl out of its misery.

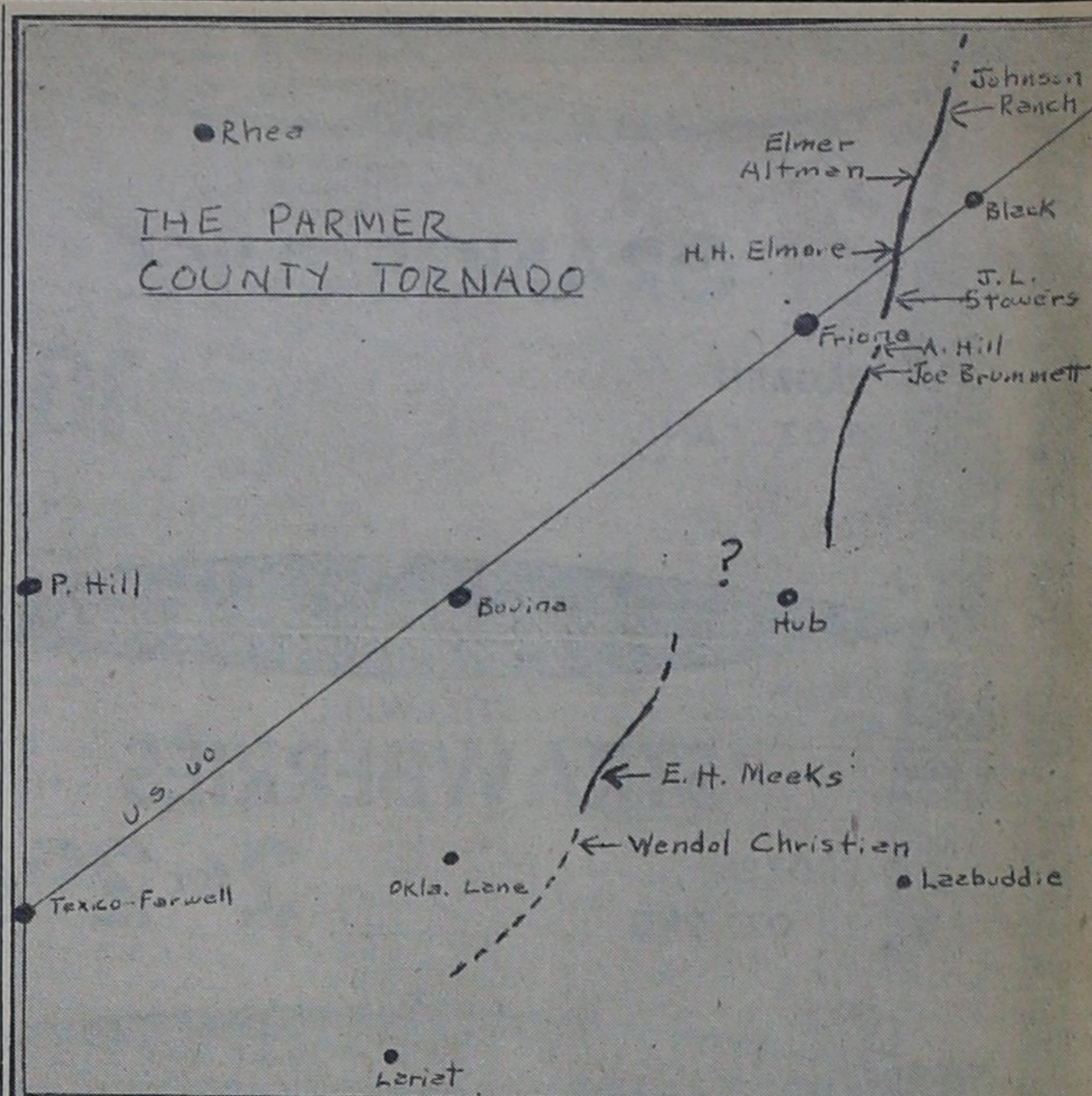
lene, and Ineta Stowers drove into the yard and brought word that the tornado was on the way.

The entire group then went to a storm cellar before the wind struck. Within a matter of seconds, the storm was over and they came out to view the wreckage. Machinery was scattered and torn up, small out-buildings were completely torn up and minor damage was done to the house. Stowers estimates that it will take about \$7,500 to repair and replace the damaged machinery. The house was covered by insurance.

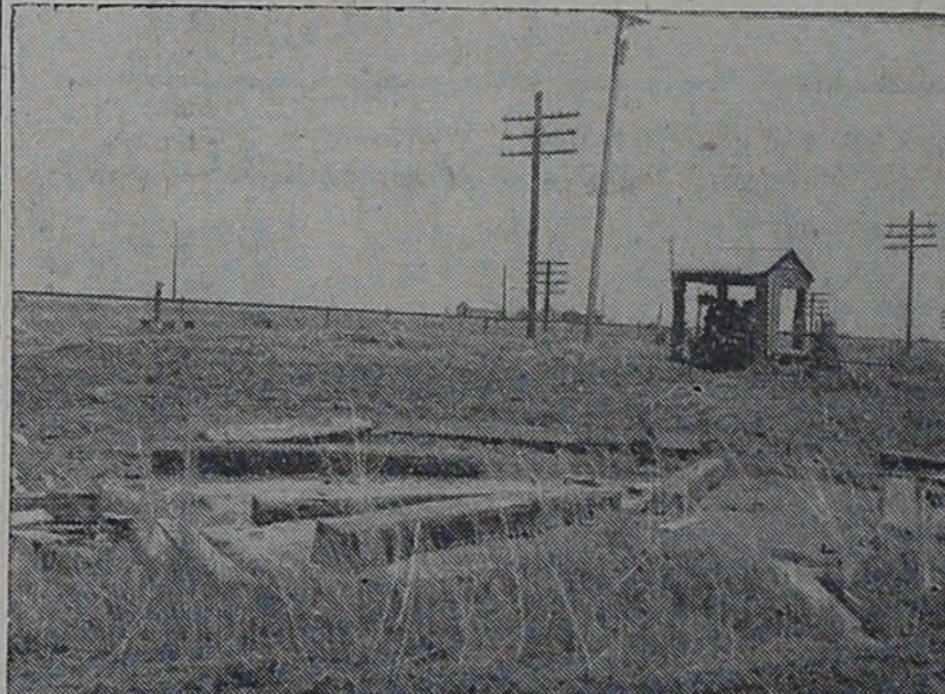
When the fire siren began to blow in town, Joe Brummett, who is employed by Vestal-Brewer Hardware, tried to call his wife. When he was unable to reach her by telephone, he decided to go out to see about her. He drove as far as the Elmer Euler residence and could see that his house was being torn up, so waited a few minutes for the storm to move on.

The only persons at the Brummett residence were Mrs. Brummett and six year old Debbie. Mrs. Brummett had been busy preparing lunch for her family and at the same

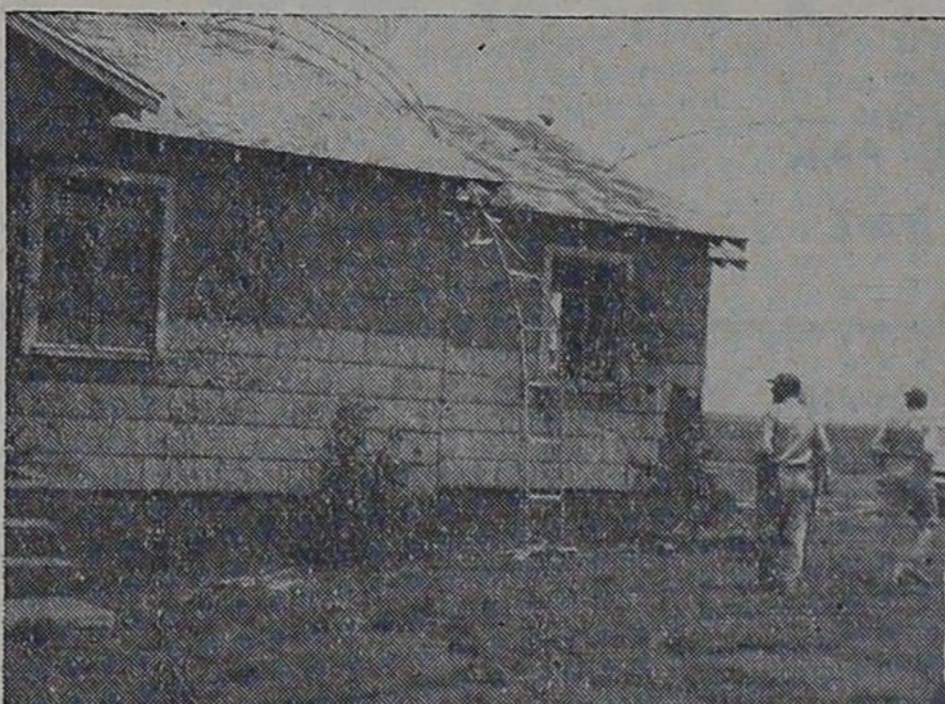
Semen obtained electrically from bulls is not injured by this method of collection. Sixty-eight per cent of nearly 3,000 cows were impregnated under similar conditions by semen collected normally, veterinary authorities report.



Hundreds of Parmer County residents watched—or ran—as one, and maybe two, tornado(s) swirled across the countryside Friday morning. The dotted lines show where the tornado was seen in the clouds, but it moved along without touching the ground. The heavy lines show where it plowed fields—and an occasional house or barn—out of the way. It is possible that there was only one tornado. It is also possible that two tornadoes were spawned from the same bank of thunderheads. At any rate, the question mark shows where no one reported seeing the funnel, and there is a noticeable gap from where it was last seen, and where it began again northeast of Hub.



The crossties in the foreground were once the foundation timbers for a small 2-room house on the Wayne Stark farm near Black, before the tornado changed things. Note that the well house was not damaged. Near the center of the picture can be seen the Elmore home across the highway.



The southeast corner of the H. H. Elmore farm home near Black was heavily damaged by the high winds, and the tall television antenna was twisted down over the top of the house like a piece of soft wire. It followed the contours of the house almost exactly. Also, the house was scooted about an inch on its foundation. The occupants ducked into a cellar as they saw the storm coming, and escaped the dangerous funnel.

Elmores Watch Tornado

The H. H. Elmores of Black must be of hardy stock. They stood in their house and looked straight down the "gunbarrel" of a mean tornado until it was within spitting distance Friday morning before they dashed out the back door and into a storm cellar.

Mrs. Dick Rockey, the Elmore's daughter, had heard the storm warning, and gone from her home about a mile away to make sure her parents would take precautions. She took her son, H. V., with her.

When she arrived at the Elmores, she found they knew all about the impending danger, but seemed not greatly disturbed about it. Mrs. Elmore had heard the warning over the radio, and husband H. H. was apparently determined he was going to get a good look at the storm.

He stood and looked out across the fields until he could see the funnel advancing. It marched across a farm southwest of them, churning up dirt. It was forming, disintegrating, then forming again, Elmore says.

All of a sudden, it dropped down and ripped to splinters a small house on the Wayne Stark farm fewer than 200 yards away. "When I saw that house go up in smoke, I took back everything I had

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EXCITEMENT

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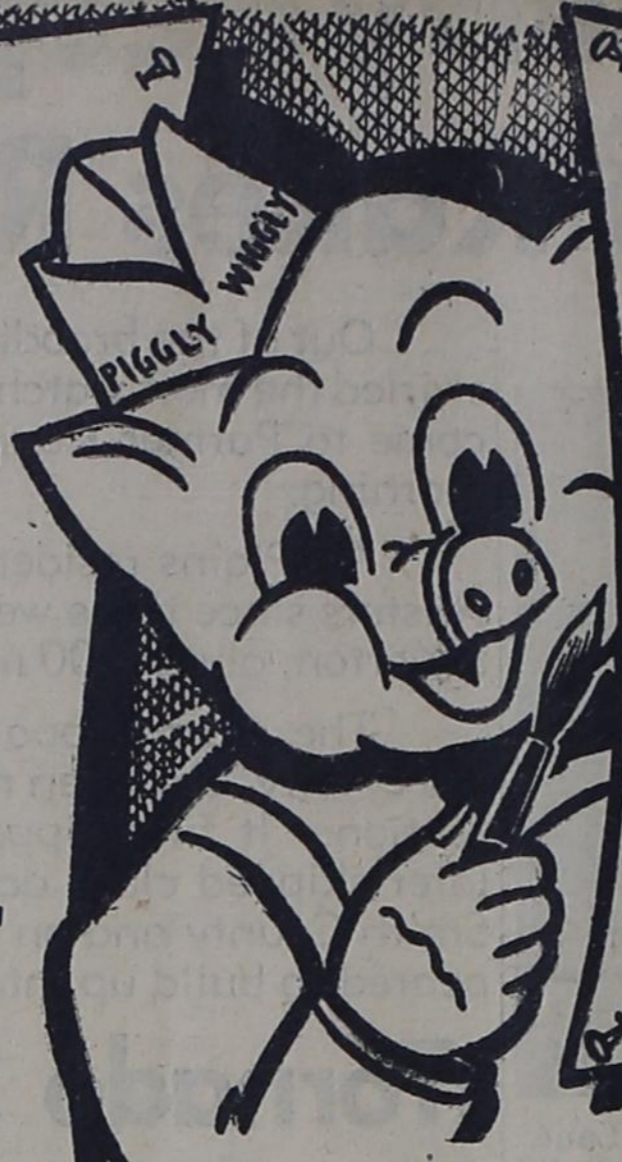
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Dr. John Gregory Speaks at Senior Commencement

"At graduation time, a young person is just getting ready to start to work," Dr. John Gregory, director of Extension at Eastern New Mexico University of Portales told the graduating class of Bovina High School at commencement exercises Thursday evening.

The professional was played by Mrs. Doris Wilson and the High School Choir, directed by W. Wayne Stevens, sang a song, "Stouthearted Men."

Warren Morton, superintendent of Bovina Schools, was master of ceremonies for the eve-

ards, best girl athlete; and Denny Queen, for work in science. James Stevens was awarded for work in history; Nita Beth Estes for work in music; Danny Morton, mathematics; Joan Kay Ezell, public speaking; and Verna Lee Hall, homemaking.

The valedictory address was given by Helen Hartzog, followed by Dr. Gregory's speech. Wendol Christian, president of the Bovina board of education, presented the diplomas to the seniors, and the High School Choir sang "The Halls of Ivy."

The recessional was played by Mrs. Wilson.

There were 14 in the graduating class. They were Ellen Berry, Sonny Brito, Phil Caldwell, Helen Hartzog, Julia Kelson Langford, Joyce Lorenz, Sue Moody, Leon Richards, Dorothy Foster Roach, Neil Smith, Don Paul Spring, Jane Wassom Haney, Thomas Ware and Marvin Young.

GA's Attend Tea At Tulia Recently

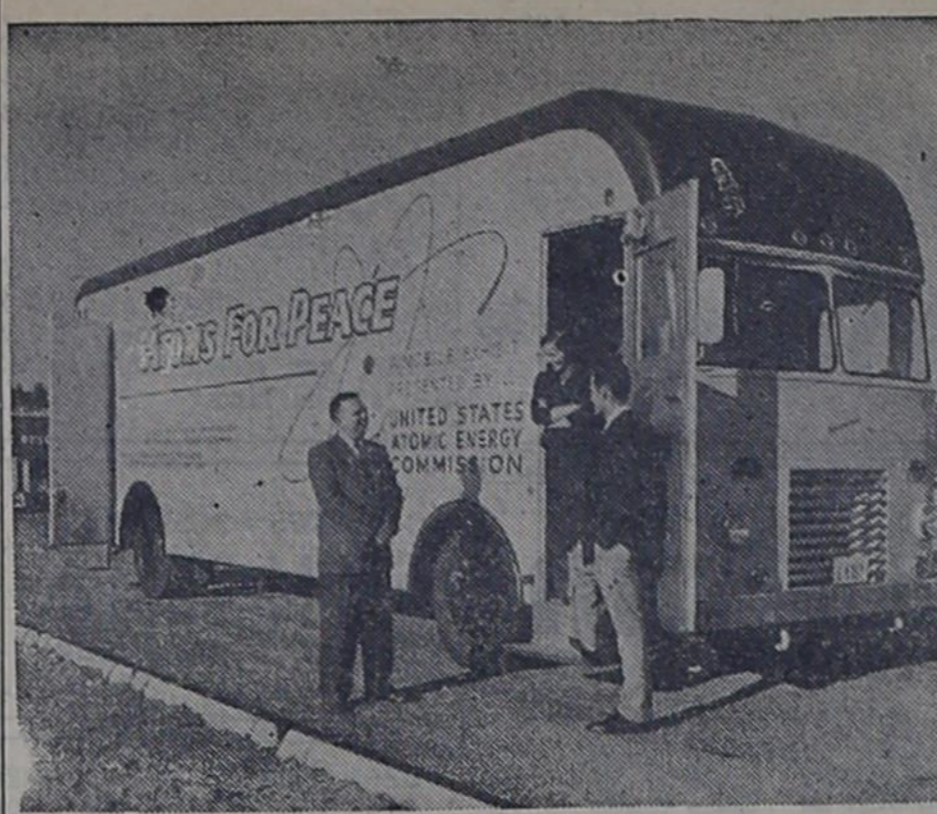
A trip to Tulia Saturday, May 18, climaxed the recent observance of Girls' Auxiliary Focus Week in Bovina. Members of the Junior and Intermediate departments of the Girls' Auxiliary and their mothers went to Tulia Saturday to attend a special Mothers' Day Tea. Held in the First Baptist Church of Tulia, the tea honored the mothers and also took the form of a GA associational meeting.

Mrs. Carl Bates of Amarillo was the speaker. She spoke on "The Miss—and Missions," giving instances where young people may train now for future work in many mission fields, either foreign or at home. She told of many ways in which a person may witness for Christ in all regions of the world.

The G. A. associational choir sang a few selections and group songs were sung by all attending. Refreshments of punch and cookies were served from a table carrying out the Girls' Auxiliary theme of stars and tapers, flanking a centerpiece of yellow gladioli and miniature honeysuckle. The table was overlaid with an ecru, handmade Italian cloth.

Those attending from Bovina were Mrs. Virgil Goodwin and Lou Ann; Mrs. Roy Fuller, Frances and Margie; Mrs. Alva Hudson and Joyce; Mrs. Ovid Lawlis, young people's director of the local church; Janet Gooch, Margaret Taylor, Nellie Bea and Patricia Crook.

As a side trip, before returning home, the local group went to Silverton to view the damage done by the recent tornado there.



SCHEDULED FOR BOVINA SHOWING — Local people will have an opportunity to see this mobile, "Atoms for Peace" exhibit Monday afternoon and evening. It will be parked on North Street. The exhibit, which explains uses of atoms, is sponsored by Bovina Junior Chamber of Commerce.

ward fertilizing pastures properly.

Pastures, like all other crops, require adequate plant food, says the specialist. Plant food in a ton of grass hay contains about 30 pounds nitrogen, 10 pounds phosphoric acid, and 30 pounds of potassium, while a ton of legume hay contains about 25 per cent more N, P, and K, Trew says.

A soil test is the best means of determining fertilizer requirements, Trew says, and adds that it is not uncommon to double pasture and meadow yields with good fertilizer management. Properly fertilized pastures make it easier for stock to make economical gains, maintain body weight, and avoid calving and breeding trouble, he says.

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Rev. and Mrs. Virgil Goodwin and children went to Amarillo Friday for an overnight visit in the home of her parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. M. Jordan, Rev. and Mrs. Jordon left Monday morning for Chicago, Ill., where they will attend the Southern Baptist Convention.

Seniors Honored At Supper

Following the baccalaureate services Sunday evening, May 19, mothers of the seniors honored them with a salad supper. The meal, a salad supper, was provided by the mothers and the evening was spent in visiting.

It featured a variety of salads, homemade ice cream and cake.

Mothers who participated in the preparations were Mrs. Frank Smith, Mrs. H. H. Kelso, Mrs. Bedford Caldwell, Mrs. E. C. Berry, Mrs. John Lorenz, Mrs. Earl Richards, Mrs. E. H. Moody, Mrs. Helen Wassom, Mrs. Arlin Hartzog and Mrs. E. M. Ware.

All of the seniors were present, including Mrs. James Roach and husband, Mrs. Reach completed work in Bovina High School this year.

Is Released

Mrs. F. M. Crook was released from St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo Wednesday afternoon of last week. Mrs. Crook underwent surgery on her eye about three weeks ago. Friends report that, although the bandages have not been removed, Mrs. Crook is improving rapidly and may have company. She is at home.

Thrifty Club Plans Summer Vacation

Vacations, heavy work schedules, and expected summer guests were some of the reasons given by members of the Bovina Thrifty Club for their plans to discontinue meetings until September. These plans were made at a regular meeting Wednesday afternoon when they met in the home of Mrs. Clarence Gaunt.

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The girls spent the evening working on their "forward steps" of memory work toward advancement in the departments. Mrs. Lawlis reports that tentative plans are being made for a presentation service, or advancement, in September.

Those girls attending the Wednesday evening meeting were Margie and Frances Fuller, Joyce Hudson, Nellie Bea Crook, and Lou Ann Goodwin.

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Although we are very proud that this Parmer County community has made such an achievement again, we cannot help but express our keen disappointment that they were not given first place.

We know that a tremendous amount of work was put forth to win this year, and we feel to "almost" make it two years in a row must be just a little discouraging to those who invested so much time and effort to win.

If you haven't heard, it was

the Gafford Chapel community of Hopkins County, deep in East Texas, which nosed Black out. Incidentally, more than 205 neighborhoods in the state vied for the honors, so you can see what Black was up against.

Families in the state winning community placed major emphasis on dairying, land management, and on being good neighbors. The third place winner was the Tennessee Colony community of Anderson County. Their award came primarily because of the pasture improvement program which they conducted.

The two other communities considered by the state judging committee for state honors were the Newbury community of Comanche County, and Belmont in Gonzales County.

We are truly sorry that Black didn't get the blue ribbon—because we sincerely feel they deserved it. However, folks from there who've talked to don't have a "sour grapes" attitude at all, and this speaks even better for Black.

Has the irrigated wheat ever looked better, generally, than it does this year? We don't think it has. It won't be but a short

time now until the combines will be grinding through the golden fields, turning out another harvest.

Farmers are thinking more of their irrigated wheat than they used to. Not only do they value it as a basic crop whose acreage should be maintained, and they cash in on grazing and other benefits, but they are learning to get much better yields than was formerly believed possible.

There will be more 50-bushel irrigated wheat this year than might be supposed.

Quite a bit of cotton is "shining" in rows across our farms. In spite of a rather chilly spring, this critical crop is getting started, and well it may, because this fall may not be as kind as was the one of 1956.

THE H. D. AGENT'S CORNER

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Milk is basic food—everyone needs it. Milk provides so many good nutrients, it's almost impossible to have an adequate diet without it, according to extension foods and nutrition specialists. If you don't drink some milk in addition to using cheese and other dairy foods, chances are you're not getting enough calcium, specialists add.

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of the calcium in our diets. This mineral is the chief material of our bones and teeth. Without enough of it, children can't develop good teeth and strong bones. Adults need calcium for upkeep of bony structures. It's also needed for contraction and relaxation of muscles and the carrying of nerve messages in the body. All dairy products provide some calcium, but it takes more than one serving of some to equal the calcium you get in a cup of fluid milk.

So eat some dairy foods, and drink milk, too. Use milk in cooking. Specialists suggest liberal use of creamed soups, scalloped dishes, milk puddings, custards and ice cream.

HOME FURNISHINGS TIPS FOR HOT WEATHER. To keep cool during this hot weather, avoid overcrowding your rooms with extra furniture and "necessaries." Leave space for family living, suggest extension home management specialists. A small room should not have many bulky pieces of furniture. Warm colors, red, orange and yellow, tend to make you feel warm. If you have colorful scatter rugs, or other furnishings in warm colors that aren't necessary store them until cooler weather gets here. Slip-cover your furniture in cool colors, with inexpensive, cool materials such as denim and sail cloth.

Get your money's worth when you buy fresh vegetables. Consider price, quality and use as well as good nutrition and convenience when you buy, suggest extension foods and nutrition specialists. Distinguish between blemishes that affect appearance and those that affect eating quality. Vegetables to be used in soup, casserole dishes, or in mixed salads, need not be as large and free from blemishes as those to be served alone. For freezing or canning select only fresh, top-quality vegetables at the right stage of maturity for eating.

Farmers and stockmen in many areas of Texas are advised by extension entomologists to be on the alert for possible damaging infestations of grasshoppers during this spring and summer. Local county agents have been advised as to the status of possible infestations in the counties. Control measures should be started before the young grasshoppers leave the hatching grounds, if numbers warrant, advise the entomologists.

Livestock producers are advised by Extension Economist A. B. Wooten to watch the calendar in connection with marketing. He says livestock prices follow definite cycles, and that the alert producer can cash in on these seasonal changes. L-333, Seasonal Variations in Livestock Prices, which Wooten authored, is now available at the offices of local county agents and it traces these cycles.

Experience is that which recognizes a mistake the second time you make it.

Elmores View Storm As It Approaches

(Continued from Page 3) ever said about crawling into cellars and took off," says Elmore.

He and Mrs. Elmore and Mrs. Rocky and H. V. were in the cellar when the funnel hit the house. "The wind roared and whistled something awful," Mrs. Elmore said about 15 minutes after the event, but she seemed calm and collected after the harrowing experience.

Windows were knocked out, the house was moved north about an inch on its foundation, the southeast part of the home was battered, and mud was splattered on the inside walls through the broken windows.

"We feel like we were awfully lucky to get out as well as we did," Mrs. Elmore exclaimed.

Joe Brummett Home Damaged

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time was decorating a cake for the Rhodes-Coker wedding reception Sunday afternoon.

She picked up the telephone to call Mrs. David Smith to make some arrangement concerning the cake and heard voices on the line. She recognized the voices as those of Mrs. John S. Thompson and Mrs. Leona Wolfe. They were discussing an oncoming tornado, so she went outside and looked in the direction of their homes.

She didn't see any dangerous looking clouds in that direction and started back into the house when she sighted the twister less than one-half mile from her home. She immediately sent Debbie to the

basement, made two efforts to call the Ashford Hill residence, turned off the stove, cut off the electricity, then made a dash for the basement.

Says Mrs. Brummett, "I'm sure it was not more than 45 seconds from the time the storm hit the house until all was quiet and I came out to see what had happened." She related the same rain, hail, and sunshine patterns which the Stowers family experienced.

Almost as soon as the storm had moved on, friends and neighbors were on hand to help the Brummetts gather up their scattered possessions and repair the damage which was done to the house. The entire west wall was pulled loose from the rest of the house and the roof over the living and dining rooms and kitchen was torn off.

The ceiling of the house had been insulated with rock wool and everything in the damaged rooms was covered with particles. The cabinet drawers, which were closed when the storm was over, were filled with the rock wool.

The Brummett residence was covered by insurance and Mr. and Mrs. Brummett said, "We are so thankful none of the family was injured that we can laugh about the whole thing now." Their two older daughters were not at home at the time. Linda was at the school house and Joe Beth was on the bus on the way home.

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Tornado Strikes E. H. Meeks Farm

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and family, who live a mile north of where the trailer was destroyed, viewed the cloud as it originated and passed around their place enroute to the Meeks farm.

The funnel formed, then touched the ground and lifted, before touching the ground again taking the trailer, according to Mrs. Taylor.

"At first it looked as though it was coming directly toward our house, but it curved to the east of us," she said. "It sounded like a freight train as it came near."

Mrs. Taylor added that, "At first it looked just like a whirlwind, but as it approached the Meeks farm it seemed to spread out. As it hit the farm, the tin flying through the air looked like shingles."

From Meeks', the funnel moved straight north, crossing Running Water north before dissipating, said other observers.

It was first thought that this tornado was the same that moved toward Friona, but two observers reported seeing it dissipate. The two were Clarence Murray and Gene Radford. "It looked as though it disappeared about the time it neared the Bovina-Dimmitt highway," Murray said.

"The funnel got smaller and smaller, and as it lifted there was no longer a cloud, said the two witnesses. Over to the east of where this cloud disintegrated was another dark cloud, which was probably the one from which the other funnel originated.

Radford says that he was listening to a radio report of the Friona bound funnel at the same time the other one was on the ground near Oklahoma Lane.

Considerable hail fell on the Murray farm, but it did not accompany the tornado which was observed from there. "The hail was from the cloud to the east," said Murray.

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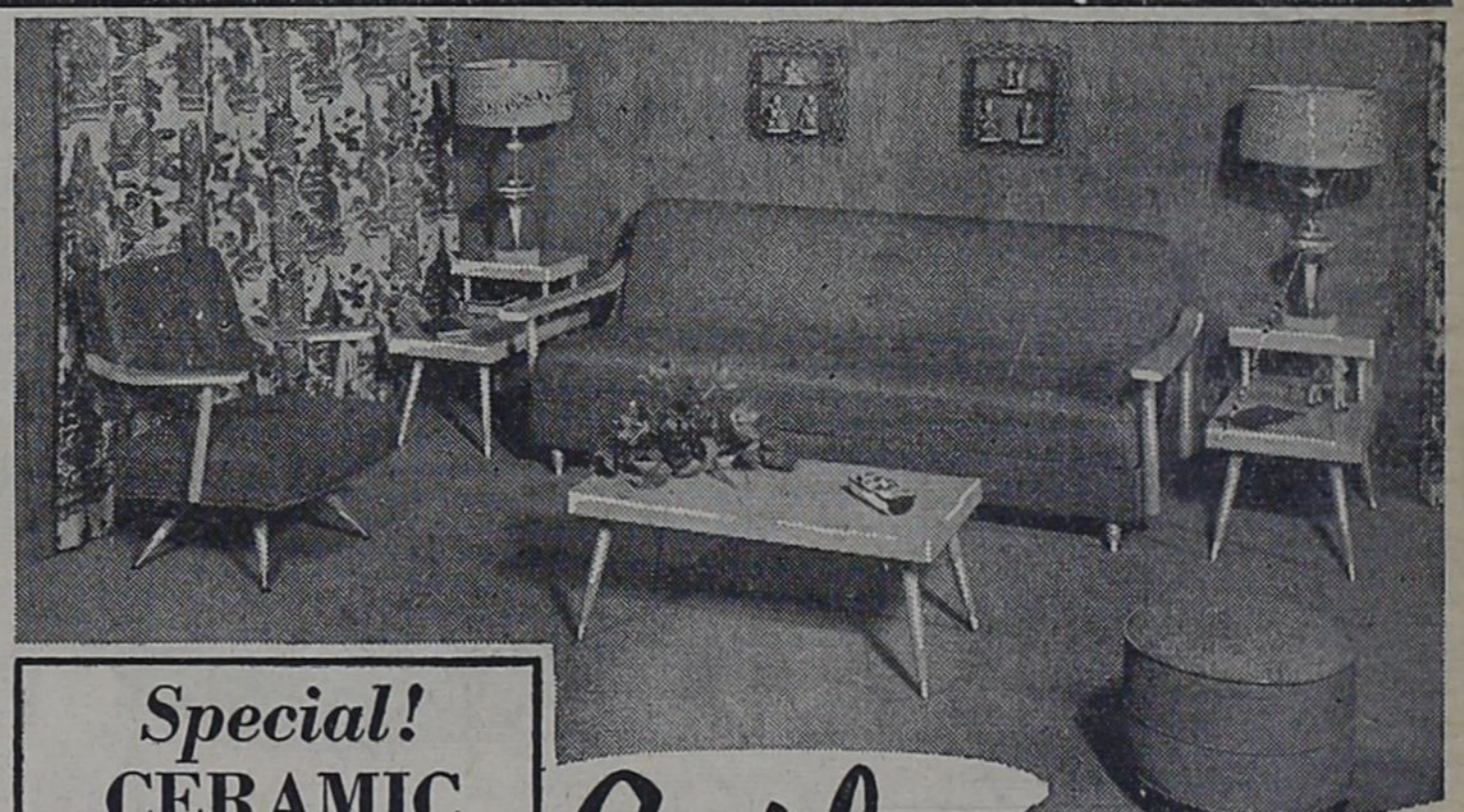
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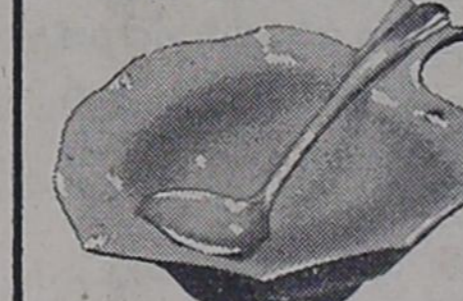
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BOVINA, TEXAS

Five Bond Elections Are Voted On In Nine Years

By Sally Whitesides

With the recent passing of the \$30,000 street improvement bonds, the City of Bovina again reached out for bigger and better improvements. This is not the only bond issue which has been placed before the people for a vote; there have been four others, one of which failed.

The first bond was passed May 19, 1948, with a margin of 84 votes to one. It was for the construction of a city waterworks for Bovina. This bond paid for the construction of a "loop" of water mains around the main part of town. The bond was for \$25,000 and is being retired with payments of \$1,000 per annum, plus 4% interest. There is an approximate sum of \$13,000 still owed by the city on this bond.

In a few short years, this water facility was outmoded and it proved to be inadequate for the growth of Bovina. Still more homes were to be reached and so another bond was voted on by the citizens. This one was for \$30,000 and was for constructing, improvements, enlargements, extensions and repairs to the city water facilities. Of this amount, \$10,000 was designated for the construction and equipping of the city hall and fire station. However, although the two were voted on together and passed January 15, 1952, the two are being retired separately. The water improvement bonds are being retired with \$1,000 per annum payments, at 4% interest and will be completely paid in 1982.

isolated as an example, the city commissioners must decide as to the advisability of running new sewer lines. When a house is built in an isolated part of town, the question of more buildings to be erected in the near future to help pay for the added expense of the line arises. If, while running lines to that one house may induce more building, thus more sewer "hook-ups," in all probability, the city will decide to run the lines to that home. However, if they refuse to run the lines, the owner of the house will be left with the fire station portion of the bond, or \$10,000, is being paid at \$1,000 per year, plus 4% interest. Five thousand dollars of this has already been paid and the payments will be completed in approximately 1962.

These bonds, so far have all been tax bonds. These are bonds which are paid for with money levied against the property owners of the city. In other words, these bonds, amounting to \$55,000 will be retired by every citizen who pays city taxes. In turn, no reasonable request for service with these facilities may be ignored by the city. If a person builds a home in an isolated part of the city, even blocks from another house, water has to be piped to that person's home because he is paying the taxes to pay for the waterworks in the first place.

Not so with the revenue bonds, one of which is the sewer system. This type bond, unlike the tax bond, is retired by payments by those who either have the facilities or have the opportunity to use them. Here again, using one house

may be permitted to dig a private septic tank.

The sewer bond, passed August 13, 1955, was for \$100,000 and is being paid off with an average of \$500 dollars a month. These payments will continue until 1985. At the present time, the payments are running approximately \$1,000 a year on the actual principal, \$2,090 interest, and \$1,000 to be held in escrow for future payments, if necessary.

The interest on this bond is at present 3 1/2% and will continue at this rate until 1960, when the interest will be raised to 4%. At the end of the bond payments, the interest will be 4 1/2%. This is, of course, because of the length of the bond payments.

The facilities of the sewer system now in use by the city provides the opportunity for conveniences for all of the original town of Bovina and part of the Gardner addition. Up until recently, only those using the facilities were paying for the bond. But at a recent mass meeting of the citizens, it was decided that, since the use of the sewer facilities are still scattered and the revenue derived has not been adequate for payments on the bond, all people who have the opportunity to use the sewer system will be required to pay a nominal rate each month to retire the bond. This is, contrary to the opinions of many people, the accepted procedure in most cities. In fact, very few cities have ever successfully operated on the original plan of payments.

The next bond, voted on November 2, 1956, failed by a vote of 88

to 60. This was for "the issuance of waterworks systems improvement and extension tax bond and sewer system improvement and extension tax bond into the Gardner addition, more commonly known as the Pesch addition, of the city."

May 2, the citizens of Bovina went to the polls and accepted plans for a paving bond. This bond was passed 94 to 59 and is for the sum of \$30,000. This bond is a little different even from the two others mentioned before. It is a bond which will allow the city to pay its share of the paving of certain city streets. This \$30,000 will be about 20 per cent of the total expense of paving — the rest will be paid by each individual property owner. Plans for the financing of this bond have not yet been completed as a period of 30 days must be set aside for the legal contesting of the election. Work will begin not earlier than June 2 and in all probability, it will be a few weeks later.

Approximately 70 blocks will be paved in Bovina, City Secretary Henry Minter says. This plan is in accordance with the response of a recent survey of the people who are willing to have paving.

Streets which will most likely be paved this summer are Fourth Street (as far south as Highway 86), Boyce, Halsell, Seventh, and Eighth — all to the south city limits. The loop of North Street will be completed and curbed and guttered and Avenue A, from Seventh to Second streets, Avenues B, C, D, and G will be paved and guttered from Third to Eighth

streets and Avenue E and F, from Third to Halsell streets.

First Street will be paved for the first three blocks north of Highway 86 and Third Street, already paved, will be curbed and guttered. Farm-to-Market-Road 1731 will be curbed and guttered through town.

Gardner Avenue, or Highway 60, is already under contract to be completed. Work will begin on this construction in about 35 days, Minter says.

Plans for the future call for many other improvements, but as of the present, no other bonds may be passed until one of three actions are taken. (1) The bonds now being paid off are retired, (2) the raising of the present tax rate of \$1.15 per thousand or (3) the raising of property valuation which is of now 25 per cent.

None of these actions are prohibitive because, with the populations of the city growing, the bonds will become easier each year to retire. The raising of the tax rate or the valuation would also not be too "hard" on the people of Bovina. In many other cities of this area, the rate and the valuations are higher than they are in Bovina.

A better way, of course, is the steady growth of Bovina, which will induce more payments — and will demand more improvements. Thus a town becomes a city. There are gripes, yes, about the debts of a city, but how else is a town to grow? The overall acceptance of bonds by the citizens of Bovina has shown that the people have a high regard and much faith in Bovina.

own departments and Mrs. Billie Sudderth, of Bovina, was in charge of the training of secretaries of the devotional programs. Mrs. Sudderth is district secretary.

The workshops were held in the morning, followed by a talk given by Mrs. Cecil Mathews of Lubbock. Mrs. Mathews spoke on the chances of improvement which everyone has in local, district and foreign field of Christian work. During the afternoon, those attending were shown a film on "Christian Social Relations."

Those attending from Bovina were Mrs. G. A. Bandy, Mrs. L. M. Grissom, Mrs. Wilbur Charles, Mrs. Sudderth, Mrs. L. H. Pesch, Mrs. E. M. Ware, Mrs. Warren Morton, and Mrs. Jimmie Charles and children.

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Former Resident Is Married Friends and relatives of Dr. Francis Whitesides of Amarillo received word recently of his marriage to Miss Anne Gillum of Amarillo. ELECTRIC MOTOR REWINDING & REPAIR APPLIANCE REPAIRS WORK GUARANTEED DEAN HASTINGS Phone 4372

Dr. Whitesides, a former resident of Bovina, graduated from Bovina High School in 1949, attended West Texas State at Canyon for two years before going to Memphis, Tennessee for completion of studies in optometry. He was graduated from the Memphis school of Optometry last spring. Mrs. Whitesides is an art instructor in Amarillo School. Dr. Whitesides is the brother of G. A. Whitesides of Bovina. James Lawlis Still III Tests which were given last week to James Lawlis, 16-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ovid Lawlis, showed that improvement had been made in his health. Mrs. Lawlis reports that the doctors have ordered James to stay in bed for at least three or more weeks. Bulls Lose First— (Continued from Page 1)

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Whittlin'— field, too. As a matter of fact, he hit it so far to the right side that it went over the right field fence. That was the last pitching suggestion I offered that game. THE BEST LATELY A fellow who's supposed to know told me last week that there's more good wheat in the country this year than there has been in a long time. It's so good that it reminded him that dryland wheat made 65 bushels to the acre in 1927. Don't mean to say this year is as good as that one 30 years ago. This crop just reminded him of that year. I bet if you drove anything but a 1927 model car that year, it was just because you didn't have any wheat!

Sunbeams Meet Tuesday Afternoon Singing, games, stories and coloring were the order of the day Tuesday afternoon when members of the Sunbeams of First Baptist Church met in the church annex for a regular weekly meeting. Mrs. Eddie Ray Hutto and Mrs. J. A. Taylor were in charge of the children. Refreshments of iced tea and cookies were served to the youngsters by the hostesses of the W.M.U. meeting. Those present were Johnnie Hugh Horn, Rodney Murphy, Glenna Kay Kelley, Martha Adams, Nancy Mitchell, Carrissa and Bobby Englant, Twila, Roxie Beth and Nancy Hutto, Darlene Murphy, Jackie Adams, Larry Glenn Mitchell and Lynn Murphy.

Downings Honored At Farewell Party Sunday Evening Approximately 60 members of Bovina Church of Christ gathered Sunday evening after church services in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Downing. The party, in the form of a covered dish supper, linen shower and "42" party was a courtesy to the Downing family. They are moving to Waco the middle of this week. He will be in construction work there. Mr. and Mrs. Downing and their children, Van, Larry, Clovis, Marilyn, Patty and Debra, have lived in the Bovina area for about six years. Before moving to town less than three years ago, the Downings lived about 12 miles northwest of town. The farewell party was over early because of the storm warnings.

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Attend School At Plainview Tuesday Members of Women's Society of Christian Service and other members of the Methodist Church went to Plainview Tuesday of last week to attend Officers Training School. The school, held in St. John's Methodist Church of Plainview, was for the purpose of instructing officers of the local organizations in the duties of their offices. District officers were in charge of the training of their

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