

## Building Airplanes Is A Hobby For Active Friona Octogenarian

By RON CARR

Lew Longmire is building an airplane in the garage at his house on Columbia Street in Friona.

At the age of 82, and after building 30-40 airplanes during his lifetime, Lew says this will be the last one.

The airplane he is working on now is 15 feet long, will have a 19 foot wing span and carry the light weight of only 400 pounds.

In the past, Lew has built two 2-seat airplanes and the rest have been single seaters.

It is one of several hobbies and avocations this energetic octogenarian keeps busy with.

Lew Longmire came to Friona with his family in 1936. He worked for Floyd Reeve, Sr., Grandpa Reeve as he calls him.

He said Grandpa Reeve sent him to a National Youth Administration (NYA) school in Canyon where he studied mechanics and developed an interest in airplanes.

In 1940, he entered the military where he served from 1940 to 1945 in the Army Air Corps, flying missions throughout the Pacific area.

He returned to Friona until 1952, when he moved to Albuquerque and took a job at Sandia Labs, a nuclear weapons laboratory. He remained at Sandia Labs for 22 years, retiring in 1973.

After retirement from Sandia, he worked in the private sector, managing a machine shop that manufactured equipment for Sandia Labs and others.

During his career, Lew kept building airplanes in his garage. He developed a keen interest and expertise as a Ham Radio operator. Lew

still "talks to people all over the world" every day over his shortwave radio station set up in an extra bedroom.

He is proficient in Morse Code, tapping out messages to far-flung friends over the radio just to keep in practice.

While in New Mexico he expanded his interest in astronomy and still has several high-powered telescopes, one an 18-inch diameter model that is about six feet long.

In his bedroom radio station he also has an oscilloscope, a device that measures variations in electric and magnetic current by recording the lines across a cathode ray tube.

I shrugged and smiled politely, pretending to know what he meant.

As if he wasn't busy enough, he also "ties flies." For the non-fisherman, that means he makes the fishing flies used by serious fly-fishermen.

Then he was going to Energas Appeals Adjustment

Energas Company said today that it plans to appeal to the Railroad Commission of Texas for an adjustment of approximately \$9 million in the company's rates in a number of cities throughout West Texas.

"Everything we do at Energas is done to maintain our leadership role as one of the lowest cost providers of natural gas in Texas, that includes this rate adjustment request," said Energas President Earl Fischer.

The rate request includes return on investment the company made in new pipe, infrastructure and technology, which are aimed at providing

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Mike Howard Withdraws Sheriff Bid

Friona Police Sergeant Mike Howard has withdrawn his name as a Democratic candidate in the election for Parmer County Sheriff.

Howard was running unopposed as a Democratic candidate in the March primary and November election and would have been matched against either incumbent sheriff Walt Yerger or Randy Geries, who are competing on the Republican ballot.

Howard said he is withdrawing from the race for personal reasons.

jump in his new little pickup with the camper topper on it that he built himself, and go fishing. "I love to fish", he said, "and I needed a place to sleep so I built the camper myself." I wasn't surprised.

A bookshelf that takes up one entire wall in his den holds his prized collection of scientific books. Topics range from physics to calculus to astronomy. Many are textbooks, too large and too deep for an average newspaper guy like me.

The book collection is impressive. He is obviously very proud of it, gently pointing out a few of his favorite volumes and some of the more rare editions.

As if all of this isn't enough, Lew is also a marathon runner. He has participated in many of the 26-mile runs during his lifetime and stays active these days by walking.

He moved back to Friona in August, 1999. He says he made 11 trips back and forth to Albuquerque pulling a trailer and hauling his belongings. He said he always had fond memories in Friona and liked the area so it wasn't a difficult decision to move back.

As long as you have an airplane in your garage, nothing is ever very far away.

Friona PD In Hwy 60 Drug Haul

Friona police officer Joe Herrera was patrolling Highway 60 in the early morning hours of February 10. About 2 a.m. he spotted a 1992 Suburban when he spotted the driver not wearing a seatbelt.

The two white males were bound for Kentucky they said. Office Herrera became suspicious of the two and called Sgt. Mike Howard and his partner, Arno the drug dog, to the scene.

Arno "hit on" an area in the back seat area of the Suburban. The officers removed a rear seat speaker cover in the side panel and discovered 50 packages of marijuana concealed on both sides of the vehicle.

According to Friona Police Chief Randy Geries, the 50 packages of marijuana weighed just over 70 pounds. The street value was estimated at \$1,000 per pound, crediting Officer Herrera with a \$70,000 drug bust.

The two subjects were arrested and booked into Parmer County jail on felony drug possession with intent to distribute charges. Chief Geries said that the city would likely confiscate the 1992 Suburban. The marijuana was sent to a DPS lab in Amarillo.

SOMEDAY IT'LL FLY....Lew Longmire stands beside the airplane he is building in his garage on Columbia Street in Friona. The 15-foot fuselage will be outfitted with 19-foot wings and will fly 130 miles per hour.

ron carr photo

## Bovina Couple Arrested On Stabbing & Assault Charges

According to a press release from Parmer County Sheriff Walt Yerger, at approximately 2:30 a.m. Sunday morning, February 13, a knife fight in Bovina resulted in the arrests of a local woman and her husband.

Deputy Michael St. Clair, Deputy Sgt. Keith Payne and the Bovina EMS were dispatched to a location on 9th Street in Bovina. On arrival they found a female victim, Patricia Cruz, 28, with multiple knife wounds. A female suspect had left the area on foot.

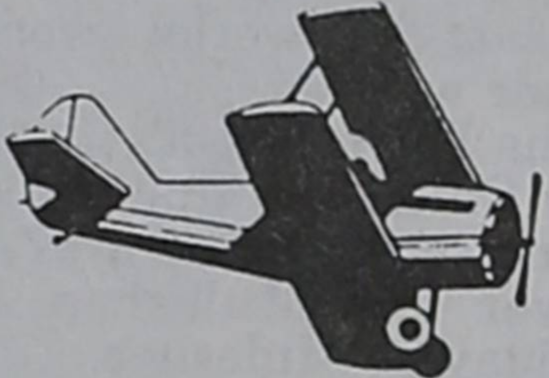
Deputy St. Clair located the suspect, Norma Alemon, 26, at her residence. As he was arresting her, her husband, Eloy Alemon, 26, drove up to the residence.

When he saw St. Clair arresting his wife in the street, the release states that he attempted to run over the deputy. Although St. Clair was struck by the vehicle he was uninjured.

Cruz was transferred to Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona and later to Hereford Regional Medical Center where she underwent surgery for her wounds.

Mrs. Alemon was treated for minor injuries at the scene. She and her husband were booked into the Parmer County jail. She has been charged with aggravated assault and her husband was charged with assault of an officer.

The investigation of the incident is continuing.



## All School Reunion Planned

An All School 2000 Reunion is being organized to be held September 15-16 in conjunction with Maize Days.

All students, teachers, staff, or others who have ever been affiliated with Friona Schools are urged to attend.

If you are an out-of-town reader of the paper and a former student, etc. please let us know about you. If you are an out-of-town reader and know the whereabouts of your classmates, we would like to have the information.

Organizers need updated addresses, phone numbers or other contacts for any former participants. If you know of any former students or teachers, etc. and furnish addresses, the reunion committee will attempt to invite them.

For more information, to volunteer to help out, or to provide information please contact Nola Faye Vestal at 250-3700 or Jerry Hinkle at Friona State Bank, 250-5000.

## Chamber Seeks Nominations For Annual Banquet Honors

It was announced this week that the Annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet for 2000 has been scheduled for Thursday, March 23, at the Friona Community Center.

Nominations are now being accepted for the yearly Chamber honors: man, woman, employee, citizen, teacher and student of the year. Stop by the Chamber office and pick up a nomination form, or you may submit a letter of nomination. Deadline for nominations is Friday, March 10.

## Cantu Seeks Tax Assessor Position

Jesse Cantu, Jr. has announced his candidacy for the Parmer Co. Tax Assessor-Collector's position, subject to the action of the Democratic primary March 14.

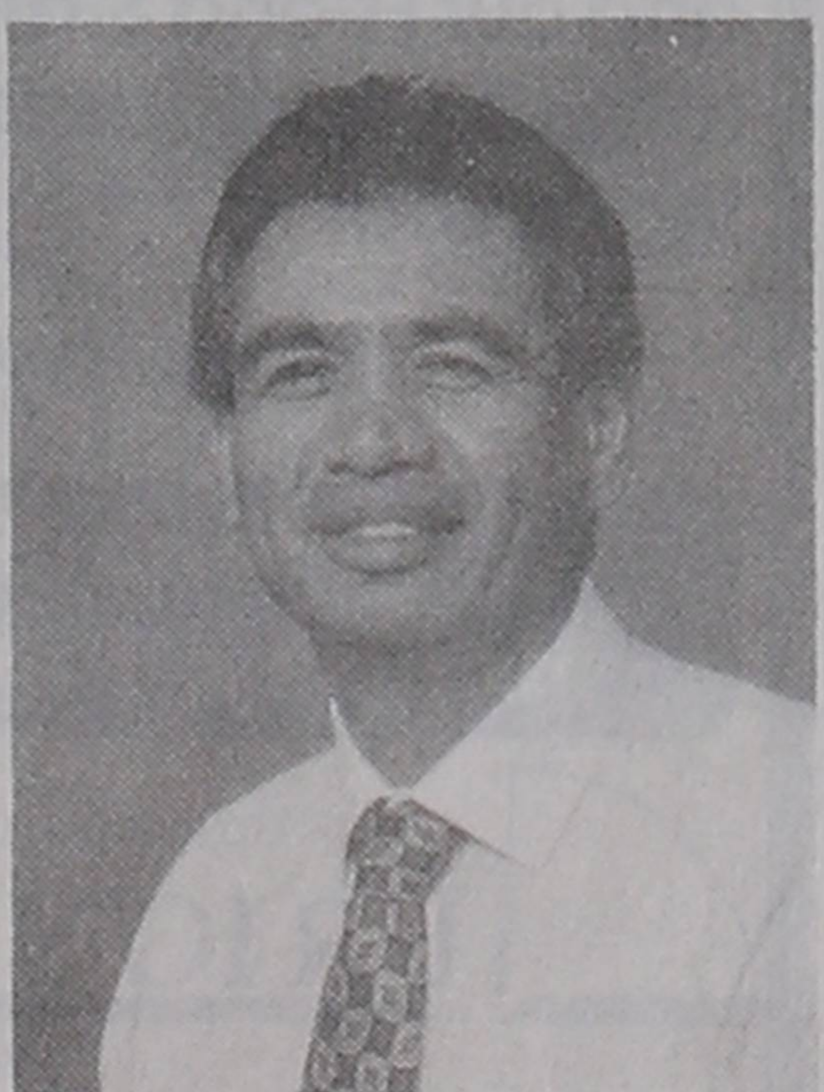
"As candidate for tax assessor, the design is to serve the people of Parmer County, and to follow the laws and directives of the state of Texas. As your public servant, this idea will be

followed through," Cantu said.

Cantu has lived in Parmer County for 38 years. He attended Farwell schools, and later earned degrees from the Nazarene Bible College and Wayland Baptist University. He currently is working toward a Master's degree from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Ft. Worth.

"I have received many lessons in public service, beginning with serving in and retiring from the U. S. Army with over 20 years of service. I currently work at the Parmer County Tax Office and am familiar with the standard operating procedures of the office."

"I will continue to stay informed of the ever-changing laws of our state legislature. In serving you, I will make every effort to give professional and helpful service. As candidate for Parmer County Tax Assessor, I respectfully request and seek your support for an opportunity to serve you," Cantu concluded.



JESSE CANTU, JR.

## BLIND RODEO COWBOYS

and other trivia: This week's news has centered around animals in one way or another. Since our reading audience comes from a background that has historically been involved with animals, Ye Editor wanted to share these tidbits, in case you missed them on TV. (Maybe you were watching "Who Wants to be a Millionaire?")

\*One of the networks' nightly newscasts this week came from our neighboring large city of Lubbock. A cowboy on the rodeo circuit, who lost the sight in both eyes a few years back, has returned to the arena, thanks to a bet he made jokingly with a friend.

Our featured cowboy's event is team roping, which involves two participants. When a friend was having a particularly bad run of luck some time back, the blind cowboy told him "Newt, I think if you'd tie bells on the calf, I could beat you!"

One thing led to another, and after a period of practicing, the sight-challenged cowboy found that with the sound of the bells, and his well-trained horse, he could still do a reasonably good job of roping the calf.

The TV reporter asked one of the participants in team roping what it would feel like if he were beaten by a blind roping. The cowboy answered "I think he just beat me today!"

\*A lot of folks may look down their noses at people like Carol and I, who have a cat and two dogs, all of whom are house-pets. The girls at the office have been trying for five years to convince Ron that he needs a cat, but he's not weakening.

A recent edition of "20/20," focused on a couple in Montana, whose housepet was a quarterhorse. This was not a small breed, but a regular-sized horse. They brought the animal in when she had pneumonia, and they didn't have a barn to keep her in.

The couple showed how the horse even had its place at the table on occasions. "She was much more easily trained than a dog," the woman said. After the disease was conquered, the horse decided it wanted to continue as a houseguest, particularly in the winter.

They have a screened-in porch where the horse sleeps. The unusual housepet goes to the door and asks to be let out, and returns when she has finished her business. The horse has yet to have an accident, according to the owners.

\*Animal rights activists in Seattle are trying to cancel a scheduled appearance of Ringling Bros. Circus, on the grounds that circus animals are mistreated. Their lives of being caged or chained up for 22 hours a day is inhumane, the activists say.

Those who are opposed to the treatment of circus animals have made enough of a "stink" that the city commission of Seattle has agreed to take a vote on having or not having the Ringling Bros. show.

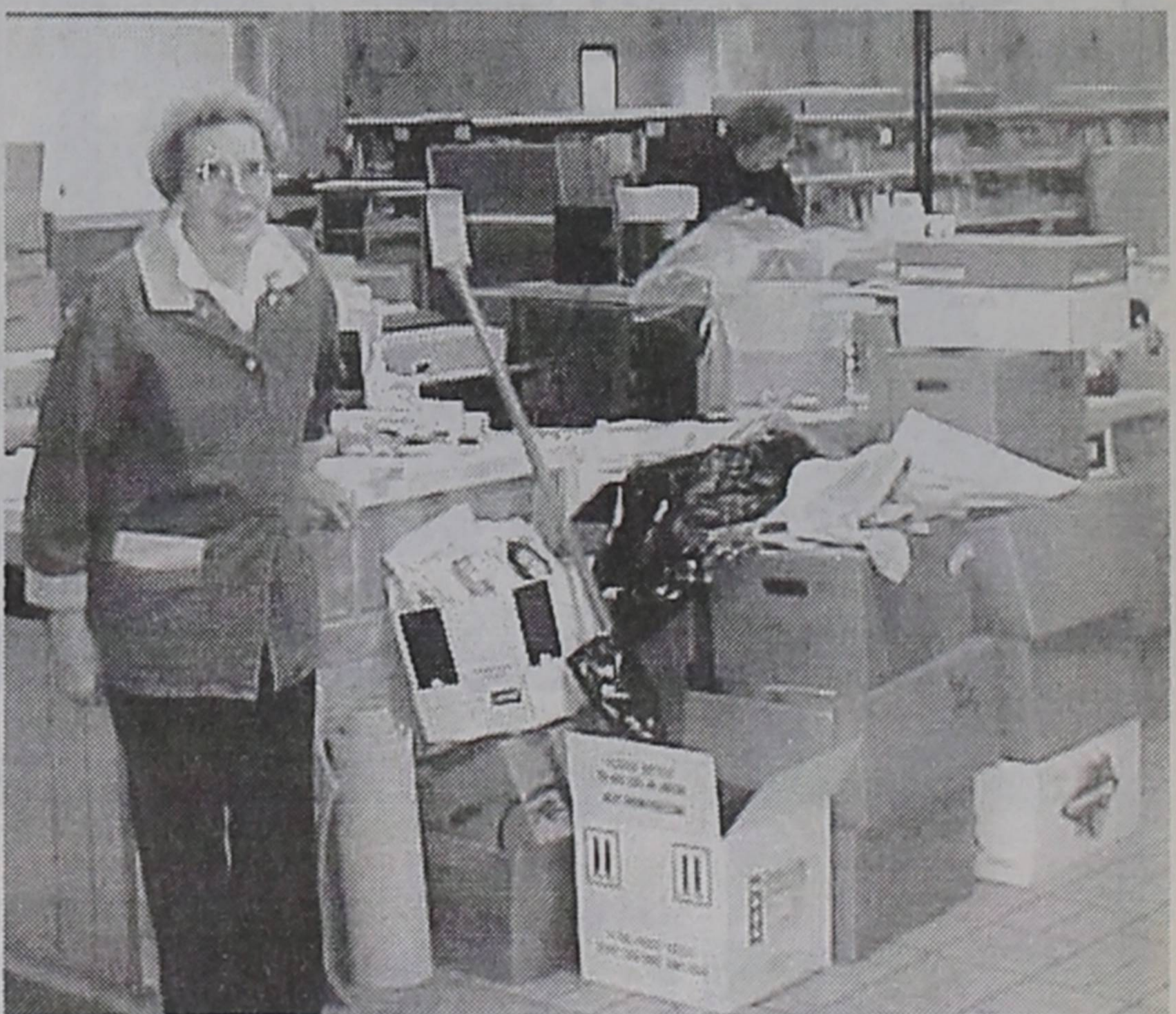
How do you suppose the world has made it all these millions of years without the bleeding hearts telling us what we should and shouldn't do??

We're aware that the group mentioned here would also like to shut down rodeos on the same argument. One thing detracting the activists on the rodeo level is that probably the cities on the "rodeo circuit" probably wouldn't give this group the time of day, let alone a spot on the city's council agenda.

One of our goals for our new millennium in this country, it would appear to this old country boy, should be for Americans to "re-take" our country from the special-interest groups who would like for us to have a whole new set of laws.

Seems like these folks could do like the 17th century Europeans did, and go find a new land that they could run to suit themselves.

Star Lites By Bill Ellis



LENDING A HAND---Former Librarian Billie Fairchild was found in the middle of the mess at Friona Library last week. Volunteers were lending a hand to help in packing up and moving books into the new library wing. Opal Baxter can be seen at work in the background. Photo by r. carr

# FRIONA FLASHBACKS

...from the files of The Friona Star

### 70 Yrs. Ago--Feb. 21, 1930

The building committee of the Methodist Church met Thursday night and adopted plans for the new Methodist Church building. It is to be a three-story brick building, containing 14 rooms besides the auditorium. The auditorium, including the balcony, will seat about 50 people and the general dimensions will be 42 by 74 feet, and the cost will be between \$12,000 and \$14,000.

### 65 Yrs. Ago--Feb. 22, 1935

The Parmer County basketball tournament held here the latter part of last week was, in all respects, the most satisfactory tournament that has ever been held in Parmer County. The local teams, both the Chiefs and the Squaws, won the championship of the county by good safe scores, and will be thus entitled to represent the county in the district tournament.

### 60 Yrs. Ago--Feb. 23, 1940

The local highway leading into Friona from the north on the west side of the city is now receiving a substantial caliche surfacing, the work being done by WPA workers of the county. It is proposed to extend the surfacing to a distance of three miles north. This will be a decided help to traffic from that part of the territory.

### 55 Yrs. Ago--Feb. 23, 1945

The Air Medal and Oak Leaf Cluster has been awarded to Staff Sgt. Roy E. Hughes, and the decorations will be sent to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Buford Hughes, according to word received here last week from the Air Force.

### 50 Yrs. Ago--Feb. 17, 1950

The \$93,000 sewer system was completed in Friona this week, finishing a project which was started by passage

of a bond issue in June of 1946. Completion of the new system should pay big dividends to the estimated 1550 Friona residents.

### 45 Yrs. Ago--Feb. 18, 1955

Construction has commenced on a cotton gin located one-half mile west of Hub, the owners announced this week. To be known as the West Hub Gin, the firm is to be headed by Leo Ruzicka, manager. The gin expects to be completed in March. The project is reported to involve about \$210,000.

### 40 Yrs. Ago--Feb. 18, 1960

Funeral services for Mrs. F.L. Reed, a resident of Parmer County the past 52 years, were conducted from the Friona Methodist Church at 4 p.m. Saturday.

Needing a victory to enter the district playoffs against Tulia, the Friona Squaws

### Energas. . . .

(Continued From Page 1) safe and reliable gas service at a reasonable rate.

Fischer pointed out that if the rate request had been fully implemented, Energas' rates would continue to be below the state's average for natural gas.

"This is a complicated case based on technology where both sides worked diligently to settle the issues but could not reach a common agreement. That is why we are turning to a third party. We will continue to work with the cities to maintain our strong relationships," Fischer concluded.

After the appeal is filed, the Railroad Commission has 185 days to act upon it.

soundly defeated the Canyon girls, 83-48 last Friday night.

### 35 Yrs. Ago--Feb. 18, 1965

A man was found dead, apparently from exposure early Sunday morning in a Friona street. Patrolman Travis Clements, who investigated after a call was received by the police department, discovered the man's body at Fourth and Prospect. Officers are investigating.

### 30 Yrs. Ago--Feb. 19, 1970

Members of the Chamber of Commerce, the city manager and publisher of the Friona Star met with representatives of General Telephone Co. of the Southwest Tuesday at noon, and discussed possible additional telephone service to Friona. One of the things discussed was the possibility of connecting Friona and Bovina for dialing purposes, with no toll or long distance charges.

### 25 Yrs. Ago--Feb. 16, 1975

Friona and Dimmitt, each winners of half a district title, go for the whole ball of wax next Thursday in a special playoff game to decide which team will enter the state playoffs. The battle will be played at Levelland's Texan Dome Fieldhouse on Thursday, February 20.

James Andrews, assistant band director for the Friona Schools, was named first place national winner in the music composing contest sponsored by the College Band Directors Association and held last week at the University of California in Berkeley.

### 20 Yrs. Ago--Feb. 17, 1980

It was announced at the annual meeting of the Friona Texas Federal Credit Union that longtime manager and treasurer of the organization, Geneva Williams, would retire as of March 1, 1980. Bill Clayton, state representative for District 74, and

Speaker of the House of Representatives, will be honored with an Appreciation Dinner in Friona Monday night at the Friona High School Cafeteria.

### 15 Yrs. Ago--Feb. 17, 1985

An oil rig has been drilling about a mile northwest of Friona on the Maurer estate. Drilling has been going on for approximately two weeks by the Robert-Gay Energy Enterprises, Inc. The test hole is down to around 3800 feet, with an ultimate destination of 5,000 feet. The well has been the matter of much excitement in the area.

### 10 Yrs. Ago--Feb. 17, 1990

New store owners Sylvia and Cris Ingram were feted by the Chamber of Commerce with a ribbon-cutting this week. The Ingram's bought the former Chaney's Department Store.

### 5 Yrs. Ago--Feb. 18, 1995

Fern Edwards, a participant in the Green Thumb, Inc. works with her host agency, the Friona Public Library. She began working in October and works twenty hours per week.

Friona High School's Junior Varsity Chieftains finished an excellent season with a 67-54 win over the Muleshoe JV last Friday at Muleshoe.

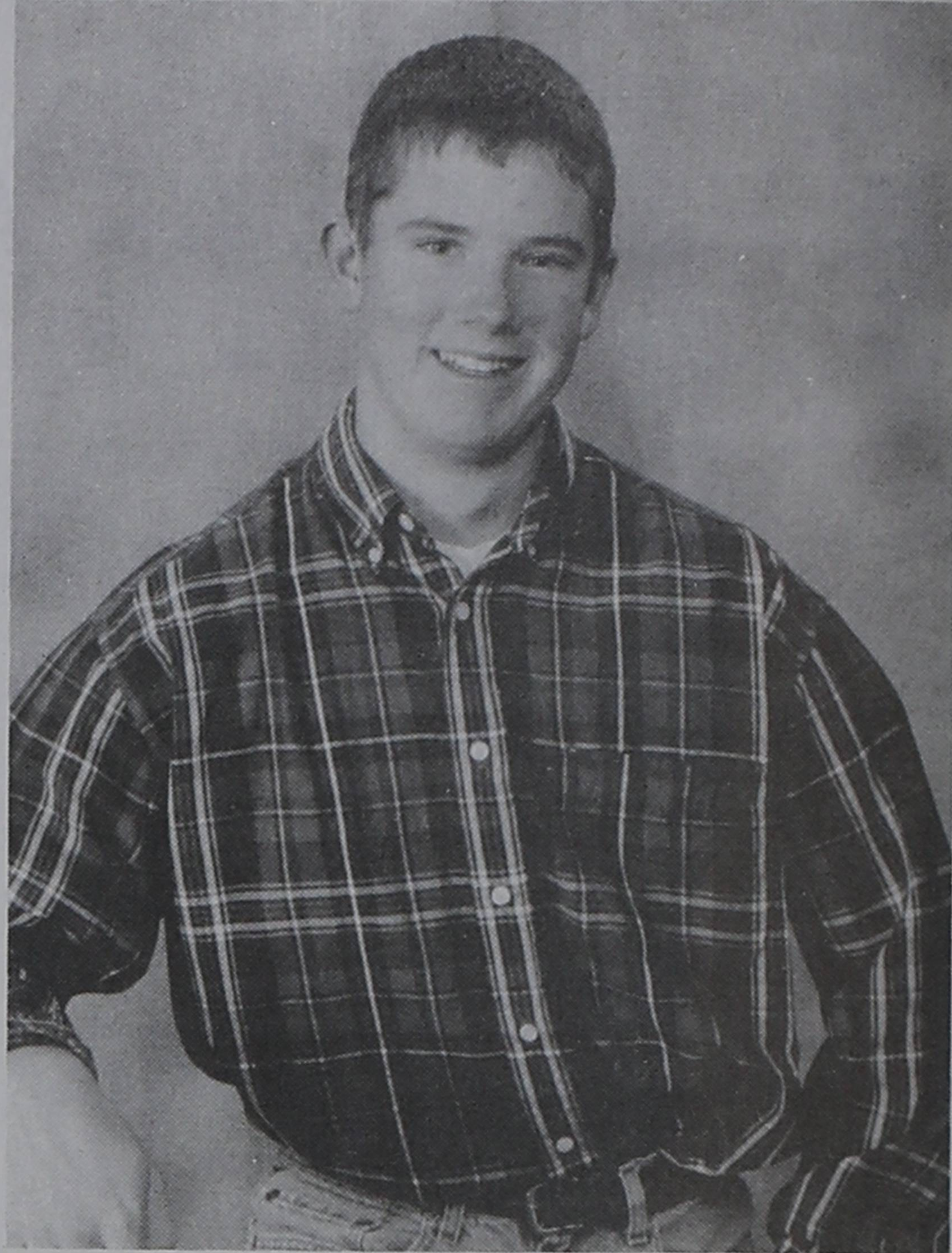
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KYLE MILLS

## Mills Earns DAR Citizenship Award

The Esther McCrory Chapter, Daughters of The American Revolution presented its chapter yearly Good Citizenship Awards to eight Panhandle area students at ceremonies Monday, February 14, 2000, at the Central Library in Amarillo.

Kyle Mills, a senior at Randall High School, was one who received an award.

The Chapter submitted the following information: Kyle Mills has received awards for his work with sports training programs and plans to major in kinesiology in college.

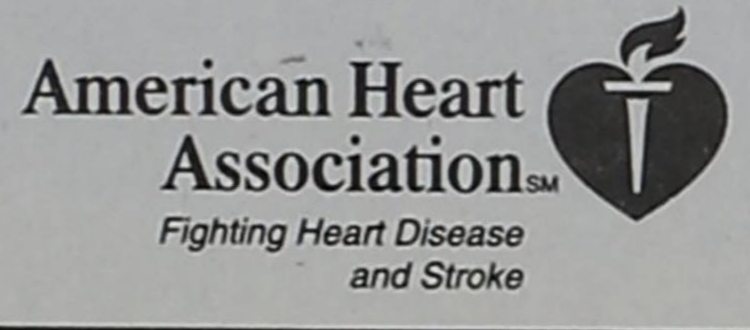
He has worked with Red Cross CPR instructing, the tennis team and Randall High Crisis Management team. He is a volunteer emergency cadet with the Friona Emergency Medical

Service, a Red Cross certified lifeguard, volunteer at Sports Medicine Institute and Rotary Mentor Program.

He has worked with the Texas Association of Educators, the Summer Enrichment Program at Texas A&M University and other sports connected community endeavors.

In 1997, Kyle and his friend Ross Laughter were co-recipients of the Junior Volunteer of The Year Award for all of area 16 Special Olympics.

He is the son of Mike and Sharon Mills who are 1971 graduates of Friona High School, and the grandson of F.G. and Bonnie Crofford of Amarillo and Joann Mills and the late Wayne Mills of Friona.



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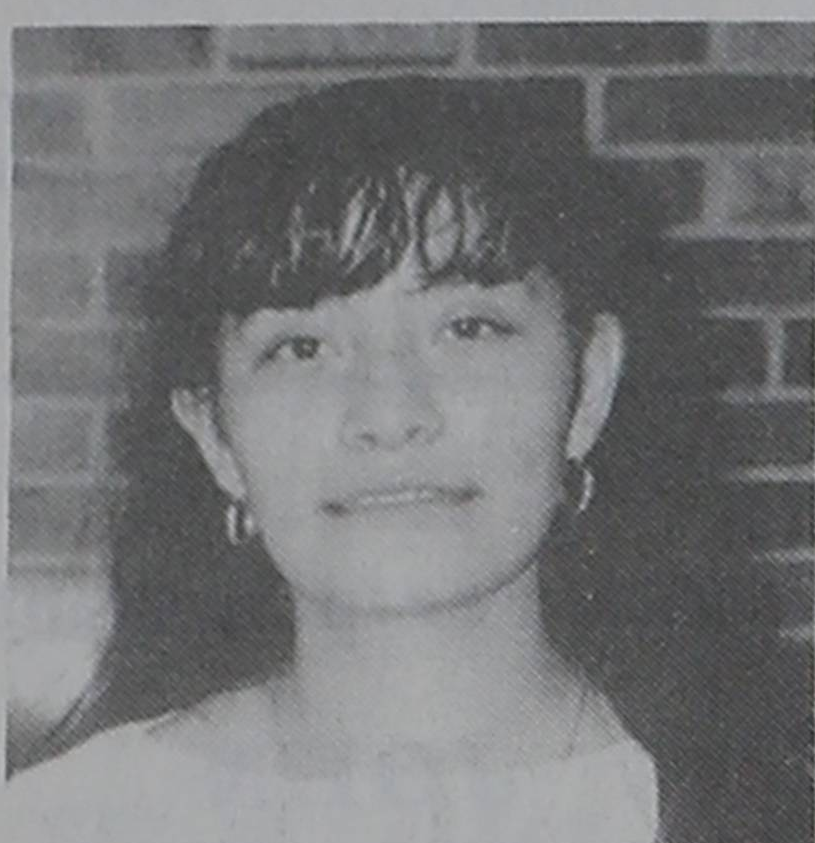
### County Phone Numbers

It was pointed out to us recently that the 2000 GTE phone book does not have the phone numbers for the county offices in Farwell. The numbers were listed in the previous book, but not the current one. Here are the county phone numbers in case you want to clip and save them.

Probation office	481-9456
Ag extension & home economics	481-3619
County clerk	481-3691
County judge	481-3383
County treasurer	481-9152
District clerk	481-3419
Sheriff	481-3303
Tax Assessor	481-3845

## Program Features FHS Senior Student

**By Petra Chavarria**  
I am the daughter of Gumaro and Irene Chavarria and a senior in high school. This is my second year to be in the Marketing Education class with Mr. Field as teacher. I am also participating in the DECA organization and serve as secretary.



PETRA CHAVARRIA

Currently employed at Hi-Pro Feeds under the supervision of Libby Procter, I would like to take this opportunity to thank Libby and Shonda Adams for helping me with my work and keeping me calm. I would also like to thank everyone else at Hi-Pro for making me feel welcomed. My job at Hi-Pro is mainly to file statements. I help my co-workers with their work, as well. I also help Betty Smith, who works up front, answering phones sometimes. I have learned

how to be responsible and communicate with others. I have also learned how to budget my time since I am in other organizations like band and Spanish Club. Once again, I would like to thank everyone at Hi-Pro and Mr. Field for helping me learn how to be a good worker and student.

### Thank You

The family of Ernest Anthony wishes to express the heartfelt thanks for all the prayers, calls, visits and support through the illness and loss of our loved one.

### LOVE ALONE

A million times we've needed you, a million times we've cried. If love alone could have saved you, you never would have died. If all the world was ours to give, we would give it, yes and more. To see you coming up the steps and walking through the door, to hear your voice, to see your smile, to sit and talk with you a while. To be with you the same old way, would be our fondest day. A heart of gold stopped beating, two smiling eyes closed to rest; God broke our hearts to prove to us He only takes the best.

### Around Town

#### Girl scout cookies at Lowe's

Local girl scouts will be selling their cookies at Lowe's grocery store on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The cookies are only \$3 a box. Stop by and help these young ladies raise money for a trip this summer.

#### St. Teresa's annual Mexican dinner

St. Teresa's Catholic Church will be having their annual Mexican dinner on Sunday, March 5, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the St. Teresa's Parish Hall. Prices are \$5 adults and \$3 for children under 10. Everyone is invited to come out and enjoy some delicious Mexican food.

#### Hospice offering education series

The Crown of Texas Hospice is offering a two-week education series, "Hospice-Living Life to the Fullest," Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6-9 p.m. and Saturdays 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., March 7-18 at the Hereford Community Center. This service is free. If you are interested in volunteer opportunities or learning more about hospice programs, call 372-7696 or 800-572-6365. Thirty contact hours are available for nurses and 3.0 CEUs for others.

#### Library amnesty on overdue books

All overdue books returned while the Friona Public Library is closed for renovation and moving will be FINE FREE. Now is the time to bring in all those long overdue items you've been too embarrassed to return. Put them in the bookdrop in the southeast corner by the alley. Don't miss this rare opportunity.

#### Red Cross update

A Community First Aid & Safety Class will be held Saturday, Feb 26 at the Red Cross office in Hereford. On Feb 29 a disaster class, Emergency Assistance I, will be taught by (Continued on Page 11)



SHORTWAVE CONNECTION.....Lew Longmire taps out a Morse Code signal as he communicates across the world on his "ham radio" station. Story on page 1. ron carr photo

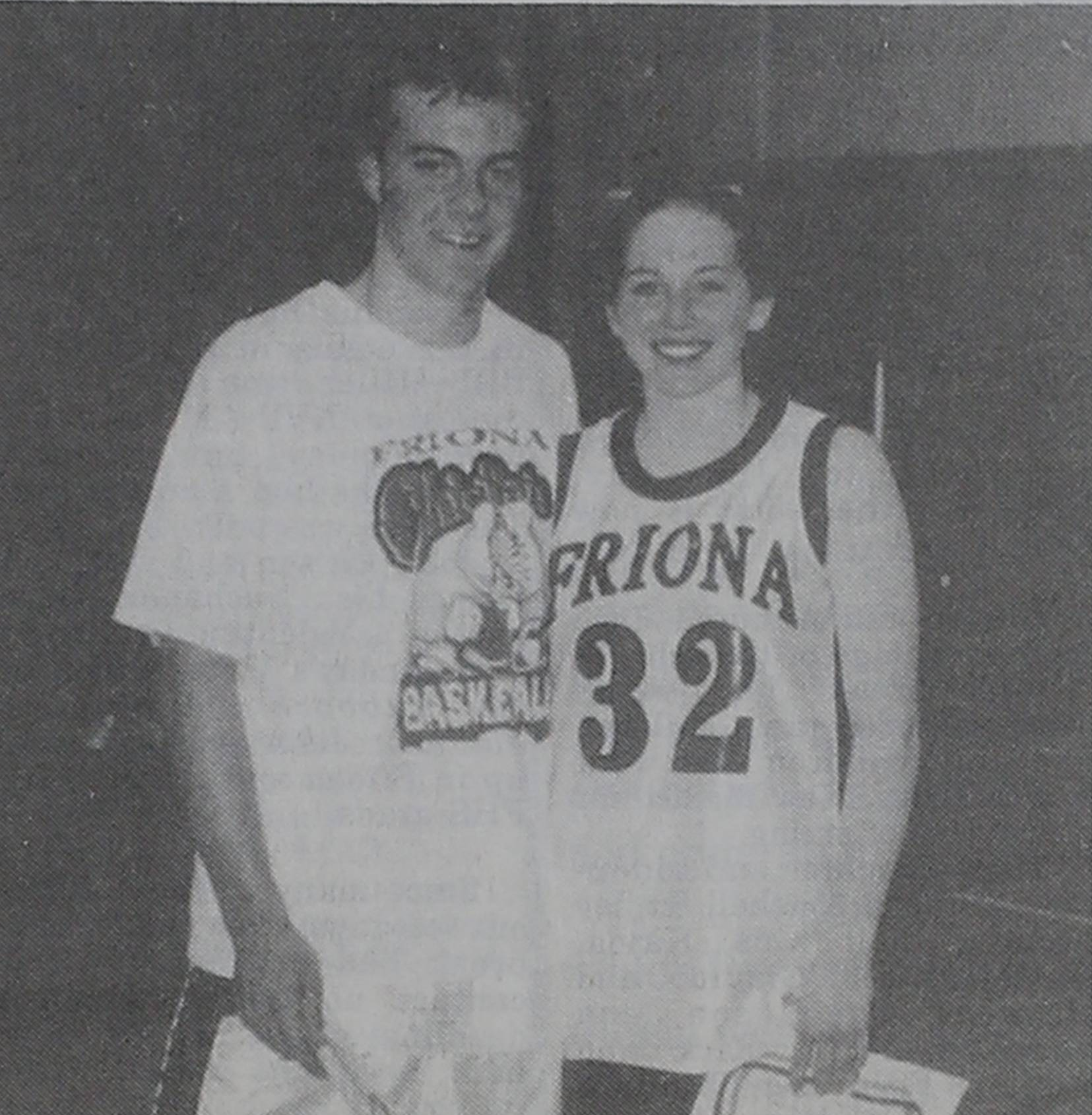


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BASKETBALL ROYALTY.....The 1999-2000 Friona High School Basketball King and Queen were seniors Landon Martin and Jamille Hand.



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### Rites Held Sunday For I. Stephens

Funeral services for Irene Stephens, 88, of the West Camp community were held Wednesday, February 9, at the First Baptist Church of Farwell, with the Revs. Rick Sullivan and Richard Laverly officiating.

Burial was in the Bailey Co. Memorial Park at Muleshoe.

Mrs. Stephens died February 6 at the Farwell Convalescent Center. She was born November 18, 1911, in Polk County, Arkansas.

She had lived in the West Camp community since 1936. She married Loyd Stephens in Waldron, Arkansas, December 24, 1934. She was a homemaker and was a member of the First Baptist Church in Farwell. She was preceded in death by her husband in 1983.

Survivors include three sons: Marlin Stephens of Alaska; Darrell Stephens of Farwell, and Keith Stephens of Shallowater; one daughter, Karen Wright of Friona; a sister, Pauline Deutscher of Beaumont; eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

### FISD Students Participate In NASA Probe

Students in the Friona ISD participated in the "International Space Station Expedition 2000" which featured NASA's live, interactive video conference for the International Space Station.

The live satellite program allowed students to explore the space station with scientists, engineers and astronauts from NASA.

Congressman Larry Combest was instrumental in getting the Friona ISD lined up for the program.

"This is an excellent opportunity for students to learn more about NASA and the benefits of scientific research in space. It could help shape the students' futures and guide them in their careers," Combest said.

# Friona News

Phone 1-806 238-1146 or 250-2211 with your news items

A reminder for local folks who have had out-of-town company, have taken trips or have folks seriously ill to call us with your local news items.

You may call Becky London at 1-806 238-1146 or call the Friona Star at 250-2211.

Patsy Talley has been moved to Signature Point Nursing Home near Dallas, according to reports from friends. Patsy suffered a stroke after having surgery on both knees a few weeks ago.

Our informant said that Patsy is having therapy daily, and is improving. You may send her a get-well wish in care of her daughter Patti at: 4609 Adrian Way, Plano, Texas, 75024.

Lilah Gaye Gee has just returned from a month-long stay in Palm Springs, California, with her son Tom Gee of San Francisco, who owns a condo in Palm Springs.

Mrs. Gee said her trip was "just great!" For fresh fruit, all she had to do was go out to the patio, reach out and pick grapefruit, or go out the front door for lemons and oranges.

Lilah Gaye's friend Lois Norwood flew out to join Lilah Gaye for two weeks of her trip. The ladies enjoyed sight-seeing in the Palm Springs area. They toured the Living Desert and enjoyed the many animals and plant life display.

They also went to a show called the "Fabulous Follies." All members of the cast and dancers in the show were senior citizens. Two of the dancers were 82 years of age, and the soloist was Anna Maria Alberghetti. (Lilah Gaye said she understood that she was once very famous!)

Mrs. Gee and Lois are home again in Friona, and

we're glad to have them back, and also glad they had such a great trip!

Roy and Martha Clements' son, Jim Roy Clements of Amarillo, returned to his home in Amarillo last week after a very long and slow recovery. Jim Roy, 58, drives a truck for a company in Amarillo.

Last September, Jim was at a truck terminal in Joliet, Illinois, when he suffered a heart attack. He underwent a quadruple by-pass surgery in Illinois, and suffered several complications.

After spending 38 days in the ICU at the Illinois hospital, Baptist/St. Anthony's Hospital sent a medical plane to Illinois to return Clements to Amarillo. Once he reached Amarillo, Jim Roy spent two more weeks in ICU, recovering. After eight more weeks in rehabilitation, he has recently returned to his home with wife Mary Jane (Grubbs), also a Friona native.

Martha says that Jim Roy is doing better, but is still confined to a wheelchair. He is an outpatient at the "rehab" center now, and they hope he will be able to walk again in the near future. All of us at the Friona Star send our best wishes to the Clements family and especially to Jim Roy. Hopefully, the worst is now behind you!

George and Aundrea Frye took advantage of the school's "winter break" last week. They gathered their children and grandchildren and went to Red River, New Mexico for a few days of skiing.

Their daughter and son-in-law, Kim and Mitchell Smiley brought their kids, Kayla, Ashley, Blair, Clayton and Hayden. Their son and daughter-in-law, Kirk and Annette Frye, brought their children, Candice, Miranda and Kirby.

Aundrea said they like to make this trip each year, and have done it since their own children were young.

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The infant has been a patient since he was about two weeks old, suffering from a respiratory condition.

At last count, the Bank's "Gang" had 30 people signed up to go to Hereford Friday,

to see the production of "Greater Tuna." This means that Friona should be pretty well represented at the production, since local members of the Hereford Community Concert Assn. were given tickets, and there has been interest by others to purchase tickets.

We predict that those attending "Greater Tuna" will have a good time.

Members and their guests from the Faith Sunday School Class of Calvary Baptist Church traveled to Hereford on Friday night, February 11, to eat at K-Bob's.

The occasion was to celebrate the January and February birthdays of class members. The Faith class tries to have this get-together each month.

Those attending were Ruth and Tom Parson, Ruth Miller, Tiny Taylor, Peggy and Valton Howard, Larry and Pat Martin, Violet Finley, Donita Martin, Arline Elliott, Joyce Veazey, Harrell and Eddie Mays, Ruby Hassenpflug, Dorothy Jackson, Dean and Carolyn Shipp and Martha Hamilton.

Frionans have been much in the media in recent days. Bill Miller won the trivia contest on KVII-AM radio this past Monday, but it didn't quite make him a millionaire. The prize was only \$70.00.

John Carson and wife, the former Lisa Buchanan, were part of a Valentine feature in last Sunday's Vista section of the Lubbock Avalanche Journal. John and Lisa grew up in Friona and are both FHS grads.

Since many of those going out of town for the school break had not had time to contact us by this week's deadline, please call us early next week and let us write up your report.

Thanks to those who contacted us, and we'll see you next week.



Morgan Davidson - Son of Stuart & Julie Davidson, Olton  
Lexie and Laura Bracken - Daughters of Cody & Lana Bracken. "Happy Valentines Day from Grandpa Rex & Grandma Darla Bracken." Great-grandparents are Lucretia Bracken, and Cass & Marie Perkins. Also Lexie & Laura, grandchildren of Teddy & Shirley Fangman.

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His parents are Felix Montes y Cecilia Montes. He has one sister, Jennifer Montes. Grandparents are Hermila Rodriguez, Octaviana Ontiveros, Mario Montes and Ernesto Lopez.  
He likes pasearse en la visioleta.  
His favorite food is la pizza. His favorite color is verde.  
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# Paul Jones Buried In Bovina Sunday

Funeral services for Paul Jones, 88, were held at the Bovina Church of Christ Sunday, February 13, with minister Jeff Procter officiating.

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

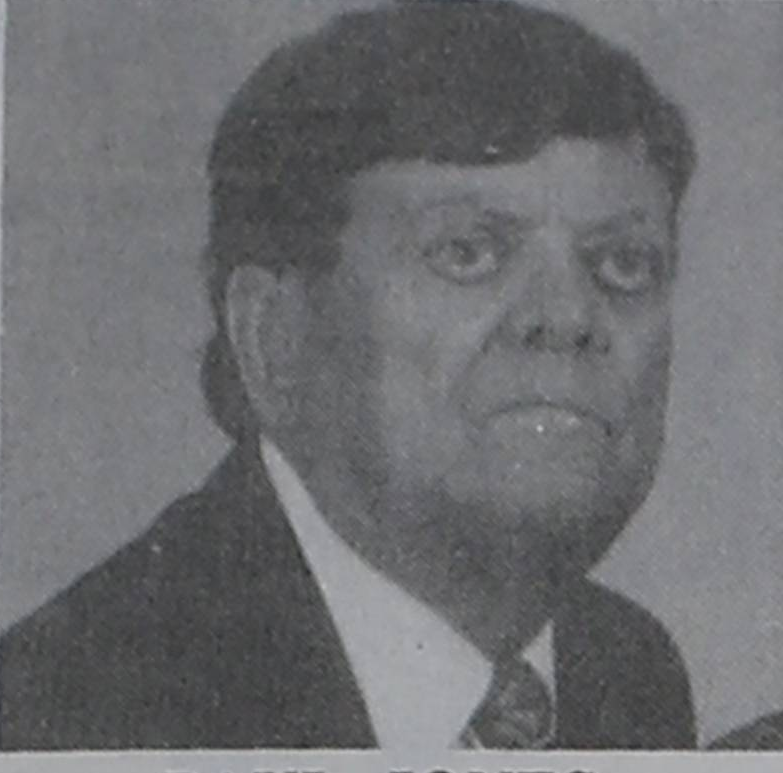
Jones was discovered dead at his residence in Bovina on Friday, February 11, 2000.

He was born September 29, 1911, in Bogata, Texas. He married Ola Lee Calaway September 14, 1933 in Hugo, Oklahoma.

The Joneses moved to San Diego, California in 1942, where both worked in defense industries during World War II.

Following the end of the war, they moved to Bovina in September of 1945, where they bought a small service station from Herbert Potts. They built a new station in 1956, and owned and operated Paul Jones Texaco on Highway 60 until retiring in 1993.

He was a member of the Bovina Church of Christ, and was a longtime member of the Bovina Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture.



**PAUL JONES**

Paul and Ola Lee were honored by the Chamber with a special award at the 1993 banquet, the year they retired, and with the "Fans of the Year" award at the 1999 Bovina athletic banquet.

Survivors include his wife Ola Lee of the home; a son, Randy P. Jones of Lakeland, Florida, a sister, Mary Ruth Fortner of Dallas, two brothers, Carl Jones of Mount Pleasant and Melvin Jones of Arlington.

A grandson, Austin Taylor Jones IV, also survives.

Pallbearers were Charlie Teague, Bubby Marshall, Jon Lin Riddle, Gaylon Rhodes, Thomas Rhodes and Daryl Kirkpatrick.



**MONTHLY RECOGNITION for February at Prairie Acres was received by Kristy Grenko, employee-of-the-month, and Lee Compian, resident-of-the-month.**

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Comptroller Rylander delivered \$316.7 million in monthly sales tax payments to 1,105 Texas cities and 119 counties.

This month's payments include sales taxes collected by monthly filers in December and reported to the Comptroller in January.

Farmer County cities received a total of \$30,897 for this current period which is almost \$8,000 less than received during the same period last year.

Farwell's taxes decreased by 38.91% and Friona fell by 18.66%. Bovina's taxes received were up 7.14%.

In this current distribution, Bovina received \$3,360; Farwell, \$4,309; and Friona \$23,227.

In 2000 payments to date, Bovina has received \$5,815; Farwell, \$8,012; and Friona, \$39,524.

## To The Citizens of Parmer County:

I would like to take this opportunity to address the upcoming election for Parmer County Sheriff. As most of you know, I was raised in Farwell and have lived in Farwell for 28 of my 41 years. I have worked for the Parmer County Sheriff's Office for the past five years; the last 1½ years as Sergeant and then as Chief Deputy, the position I currently hold.

Since his appointment and subsequent election, I have had the pleasure of working for Sheriff Walt Yerger. As you know, the most common crime in rural Parmer County is burglary. Over 90% of the burglaries in this county are a direct result of the drug problem that is increasing nation-wide. Sheriff Yerger, from the time he took office, has combated this problem by instituting aggressive night patrols in rural areas and communities, even with our limited manpower.

In addition, we have conducted numerous counter-drug operations, which have resulted to date in the seizure of 10 vehicles, 2 houses, numerous illegal weapons, and in excess of \$5,300 in cash.

From time to time, this has been very difficult: Officers' houses have been broken into in retaliation for arrests; threats have been made against officers and their families; frivolous, baseless lawsuits have been filed, and our integrity questioned; and due to the childish behavior of some unknown individuals, many of Sheriff Yerger's campaign signs have been stolen or destroyed.

I can only say this: Sheriff Yerger's, as well as the other officers of this department, honesty and integrity are above reproach. I ask you now, citizens, to allow us to continue to serve you. *Cast your vote for Sheriff Walt Yerger (Republican) during the March 14 Primary!*

Sincerely,  
**Gary Blair**

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# 2 AUCTIONS • 2 LOCATIONS • SAME DAY

## AUCTION

Monday, February 21, 2000 — Sale Time: 9:30 a.m.

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**TRACTORS, GRAIN TRUCK, PICKUP —**  
1-1988 Case 7140, 2 Wheel Drive Diesel Tractor, Cab, A/C, H.R., Radio, 3 pt. 3 Hyd. Wts., 14 x 36 Rubber W/like Duals, 6002 Hrs., 1 Owner, SN 994945  
1-1975 John Deere 4230 Diesel Tractor, Cab, A/C, H.R., Radio, P/S Trans., 3 pt. D.H. Wts., Quick Hitch, 18.4x34 Rubber, 7,649 Hrs., SN 22057  
1-1992 Chevrolet S.A. Grain Truck, 6 Cyl., 4 Sp., 2' 14" Bed, Host, 8,252 Rubber, 48,000 Miles, Shredded  
1-1978 Chevrolet Scottdale, 10, 1/2 Ton Pickup, 350 Eng., AT, L.W.B., 130,000 Miles

**COTTON EQUIPMENT —**  
1-1981 International 1400, 5 Row, 30" Diesel Cotton Stripper, Cab, A/C, H.R., Caged Hoods, 1,800 Hrs., 1 Owner  
1-CMC 32" Cotton Module Bulkier, Cab, New Packing Cylinder  
1-Brown Bros. 2 Dump T.A. Soil Gully, 4 Yrs. Old, 1 Owner

**EQUIPMENT, SPRAY EQUIPMENT —**  
1-Plasteels, Hyd. Mowers, Double Boms, Monitor  
1-BHM 9100, 3 pt., 10 Row, 30" Cultivator, Disc, Coulters, H.N.  
1-John Deere 4200, 4.18, 3 pt. Spinner Mouldboard Plow  
1-IHC 480 Tandem Disc Plow  
1-John Deere 3 pt., 10 Row, 30" Rod Weeder, D.D.B., 2 Sets  
1-Hwy. Big 12 Hyd. Rod, 1x2" Shanks, J.D. Curved Shanks  
1-Hwy. Big 12 Hyd. Rod, 1x2" Shanks, J.D. Curved Shanks  
1-S&S 10 Row, 30" D.S.B. 3 pt. Cleanout Rig, G.W., L.T.M.  
1-Hamby 3 pt., 28' T.S.B. Field Cultivator, L.T.M., D.G.W.  
1-Midwest Harrow  
1-10 Row, 30" D.D.B. 3 pt. Tool Carrier W/10 R.A.C. Basket Incorporators  
1-Shelley 3 pt. Orchard Shank W/10 R.A.C. Basket Incorporators  
1-Noble Harrow  
1-Roll-A-Cone 10 Row, 30" D.S.B. Liquid Fertilizer Rig, Flow Divider, L.T.M., Trailer Pull, New OHM On Pump  
1-Maris 3 pt. 8 Row, 20" Dial, 30" Rows W/Extra Disc  
1-Tye 3 pt., 21' Grain Drill, B' Spool  
1-Rhino D.T. 14 Shredder, C.C.  
1-Roll-A-Cone 3 pt., 7 Share Ripper Plow, G.W.  
1-W/Rich D.T. Chisel Chopper, 15', Coulters, R.A.C. Spring Shanks, Chopper  
1-Ford 300 For Repairs  
1-2000 3/4, 8 Row, 20" D.D.B. Middle Furrow Plow, G.W.  
1-J.D. 8 Row, 40" 3 pt. Lister, 5x7" Bar, Cleanouts, Drags  
1-8 Row, 40" D.D.B. 3 pt. Tool Carrier W/8 Hooded Sprayers  
1-8 Row, 3 pt. Flame Cultivator

1-Noble 28', 3 pt. Springtooth Harrow  
1-Hamby 8 Row, 40" S.S.B. 3 pt. Hyd. Rodweeder, 2x1' Bar Behind, G.W., L.T.M.  
1-Roll-A-Cone 21' T.S.B. 3 pt. Chisel/Sweep Plow, D.G.W., S.T.M.  
1-Hamby 6 Row, 40" D.S.B. 3 pt. A.A. Fert. Rig, Flow Divider, G.W., Trailer Pull  
1-John Deere 737, 14 D.T. Shredder  
1-20' T.S.B. 3 pt. Field Cultivator, L.T.M. W/Noel Harrows  
1-Hamby 8 Shank T.S.B. 3 pt. Ripper  
1-John Deere TW 14 D.T. One-way  
1-John Deere 14 D.T. Tandem Disc  
1-Meyers 6' D.T. V-Discher  
1-Everman 6' D.T. V-Discher  
1-John Deere DRB 20-8 D.T. Grain Drill, C.C.  
1-PMC 8 Row FM Rippeknock  
1-4 D.T. Food Buster  
1-S.M. D.T. 3 Wheel Row Packer  
1-S.M. 3 pt. Disc Ditch Filler  
1-Everman 3 pt. V-Discher  
1-S.M. 3 pt. Spray Rig W/300 Gal. Poly Tank, Booms  
1-Set Poly Tanks, Betty M., 150 Gal. (2) W/Brackets  
1-S.M. 3 pt. Of Front Mt. Spray Boom, 8 Row  
1-200 Gal. 3 pt. Spray Rig  
1-500 Gal. Trailer Type D.T. Spray Rig, Booms  
1-3 Wheel Lashby Sprayer, 5 HP Gas Eng.

**TRAILERS, TANKS —**  
1-Tandem Axle Trailer Rear End, 10,000 Rubber  
1-S.M. S.A. Trailer W/A-FRAME Rack W/Host  
1-1,000 Gal. Poly 4 Wheel Liquid Fert. Trailer, Hi Clearance  
1-Cobey 4 Wheel 16 Flatbed Trailer  
1-Cobey 32' A. Chassis  
1-Cobey 24' A. Chassis  
6-VK 4 Wheel Flat Bed Chassis Trailers  
1-Cobey 4 Wheel 16' Chassis  
1-Cobey 4 Wheel 20' Chassis  
1-Pickup Bed Trailer W/A Compressor, Tool Box  
1-S.M. 8' S.A. Utility Trailer  
1-2 Wheel Pickup Bed Trailer  
1-Noble Harrow  
1-1,000 Gal. 4 Wheel Water Trailer W/Gas Eng. & Pump  
1-500 Gal. 4 Wheel Diesel Trailer W/2 Volt Pump  
1-300 Gal. 4 Wheel Diesel Trailer W/2 Volt Pump  
1-500 Gal. S.A. Fuel Trailer, Hand Pump

**IRRIGATION —**  
2-Chevrolet 454 Ignition Engines, Run  
1-Ford 300 For Repairs  
1-Chevrolet 292 For Repairs  
2-Chrysler 440 Ignition Engines For Repairs  
200-Js. 7x20 Alum. Gated Pipe, 40' Rows  
75-Js. 6x20 PVC Gated Pipe, 40' Rows  
50-Js. 8x20 Alum. Flowline  
12-Js. 7x20 Alum. Flowline

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8-Irr. Hydrants, 7x12", 8x12"  
2-Texas Tee 7x7" Solar Surge Valves, Used 2 Years  
2-6" Flap Valves  
1-Lot T's, L's, End Caps, Slip Jts.  
1-Lot Alum. Impost Tubes, V/S  
2-Single Axle Pipe Trailers  
1-S&S 18,9x34 Snap On Duals  
1-Roll-A-Cone 8 Row Disc Beeder Units  
13-Badger Ripper Shanks & Clamps  
1-Like New Liquid Squeeze Pump  
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1-Hamby 8 Row Set Disc Beeder Units  
1-Lot Incorporators For 7100 Planter  
1-S.M. 3 pt. Tool Carrier, 2x  
1-Litlton Rolling Cultivator Barring Off Units  
1-Set Dual G.W.  
1-28' D.D.B. 3 pt. Tool Carrier  
1-4x4", 8' Tool Carrier  
1-Lot 1x2" Shanks, Clamps, Spacers  
1-21' D.D.B. 3 pt. Tool Carrier  
1-Lot Planter Parts  
1-8 Row, 8' Spill Type Bed Roller  
2-Guide Cone Stabilizers  
6-Coulters  
1-6 Row 40" Bed Roller W/D.B. 3 pt. G.W.  
1-Lot Tractor Wheels  
1-2000 3/4, 8 Row, 20" Dial, 30" Rows W/Extra Disc  
1-40", 12" Log Chain  
1-H.D. 4 Way Truck Tire Wrench X Wrench  
1-New Style Land Measuring Wheel  
1-Lot Spacers  
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1-Sears G116 Riding Lawn Tractor  
2-8' Round Livestock Water Tanks  
1-3 pt. Single Axle PTO Wire Roller  
1-Lot Bolts, Nuts, Washers  
1-Acura Trac 3 pt. Guidance System W/Monitor  
1-S.M. 4 Wheel Chassis Trailer, 200 Gal. Poly Tank W/Elec. Pump  
1-Pickup Overhead Rack To Work On Sprinklers

**NOTE: Any Announcement Sale Day Takes Precedence**

## AUCTION

Monday, February 21, 2000 — Sale Time: Approx. 1:30 p.m.

LOCATED: From Dodd, Texas, 2 Miles West, Then 2 Miles North On Hwy. 303, Then 1/4 Miles East On Road 627.

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1-Farmall ML LPG Tractor, Single Front, PTO, 13,6x38 Rubber, Shredded, Runs Good  
1-1972 Massey Ferguson 510 LPG Combine, Cab, 400 Eng., 20' Header, Pickup Reel, Maize Fingers, 18.4x26 Rubber, Shredded, 1 Owner  
1-1990 John Deere 500 Bu. S.A. Grain Cart

**JEEP, GRAIN TRUCK, MOTORCYCLE —**  
1-1945 Willys Army 4x4 Jeep, 4 Cyl. Eng, 3 Sp. Trans., Lay-Down Windshield, 53,341 Act. Miles, Shredded, Runs Good  
1-1948 Ford F8 S.A. Grain Truck, V-8 Eng, 4 Sp., 15' Bed, Host, 7,500 Rubber, 46,594 Act. Miles, Shredded, Has 1996 Motor Trans. & Diff  
1-Kawasaki Motorcycles, 2 Speed, Dirt Or Street

**HAY & LIVESTOCK EQUIPMENT, AUGER —**  
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1-Metal Hay Stack Feeders  
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1-Lot 6x10' Column Pipe  
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1-Roll-A-Cone 11 Shank 3 pt. Ripper Ditch  
1-Hamby 9 Shank, 3 pt. Ripper Plow, G.W.  
1-IHC 183, 10 Row, 30" 3 pt. Cultivator  
1-Eaton 6 Row 3 pt. Raising Cultivator W/Row Gang Units  
1-Tye 16' 6 Row, 3 pt. Planter On Double Diamond Bar, 3-3 pt. D.D. W/6' Bed Roller  
1-John Deere 400, 6 Row, 3 pt. Rotary Hoe  
1-Big Ox 8', 3 pt. Hyd. Blade  
1-6 Row 40" 3 pt. D.D.B. Hyd. Rodweeder, G.W. W/Drum  
1-6 Row 40" 3 pt. D.D.B. Lister W/Bed Roller, Marker, G.W.  
1-Moline 10' D.T. Tandem Disc, Seal Bearings  
1-17 Shank, 3 pt. T.S.B. Chisel Plow, Noble Harrows, G.W.  
1-Crabam Home 7 Shank, 3 pt. Chisel Plow  
1-Everman 10', 3 pt. Box Blade  
1-Ferguson 7', 3 pt. Sickle Mower  
1-Sears 2 Row D.T. Shredder  
1-John Deere Van Brunt 16-10 Grain Drill, P.W. S.D.  
1-Oliver 3-18', 3 pt. Spinner Mouldboard Plow  
1-Ford 6' 3 pt. Blade  
1-2 Row, 3 pt. Tool Carrier W/2 IHC Beams  
1-Broyhill 400 Gal. T.T. Spray Rig, Ace PTO Pump  
1-Reel Ewald 8 Row, 40' Front Mount Rippeknock  
1-Lot Hyd. Jacks  
1-4 Row Hamby PTO Rodweeder, Double Diamond Bar, 3 pt.  
1-7 Row, 3 pt. D.D.B. Sweep Rig, G.W.  
1-Ferguson 6', 3 pt. D.D.B. Lister  
1-5 Row, 3 pt. D.D.B. Lister  
1-John Deere Harrow Section

4-IHC Beams  
1-Lot Discs, Chisels  
1-Lot Drive Shafts  
1-Lot Shanks, Clamps, Spacers

**TRAILERS, TANKS —**  
1-20' Drag Type Round Bale Flat Bed Trailer, Single Axle, Dual Wheel  
1-750 Gal. Poly 4 Wheel Liquid Fertilizer Nurse Trailer  
1-14' 4 Wheel Trailer Chassis  
2-Set 20' Metal & Wire Cotton Side Boards  
1-400 Gal. FFG Chemical Tank  
1-250 Gal. Propane Tank, 200 PSI

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1-Plum FC Drive Socket Set  
1-Farmy Elec. Welder  
1-Lot Hand Tools  
1-4 Wheel Shop Air/Vinyl On Stand  
1-Bel Coffer & Spicer  
1-Cutliff Saw W/Blade  
1-Lot Shop Tables, 1 W/Use  
1-Lot Hyd. Jacks  
1-Lot Pipe Wrenches  
1-Manual Tire Changer  
1-Chan Host  
1-Sigua Valve Machine W/Elec. Motor, Complete W/Rocks, Grinder, Sealer  
1-Rol 5/8" Cable  
1-Lot Chains & Boomers  
1-Lot Tires & Wheels (Truck, Pickup Or Implement)  
1-House Jack  
1-Cement Mixer W/Elec. Motor  
1-Clayton Mark Pressure Tank  
1-Cast Iron Bath Tub  
1-1929 Ford Model A Truck Motor & Trans.  
1-Lot Antique Wagon Parts  
1-Lot Crow Bars, Pry Bars  
1-Lot Shovels, Scoops, Hoes, Post Hole Diggers  
1-Artique Ford F700 Truck Motor  
1-Lot Antique Distributors (1935 To 1937 V-8 Ford)  
1-Model A Speedometer  
1-Lot Nat. Gas Tanks  
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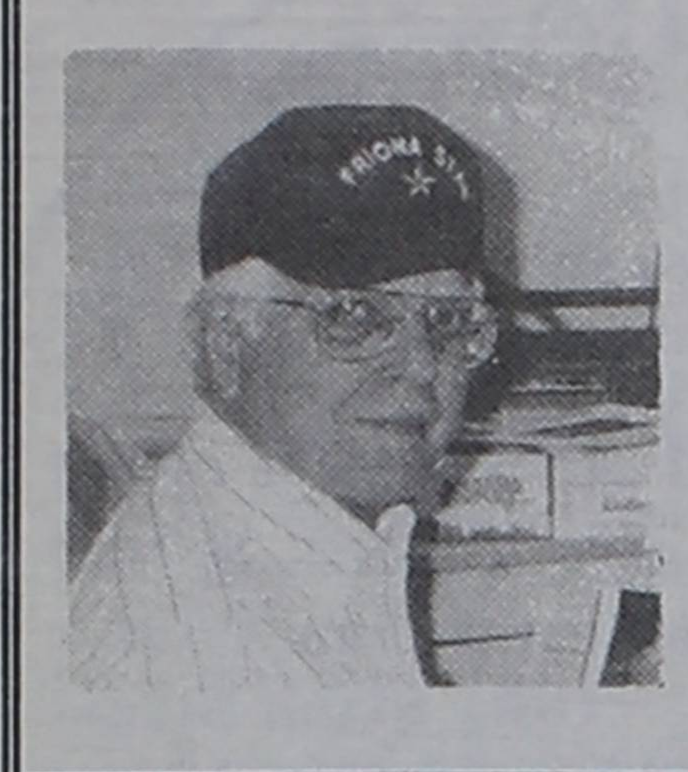
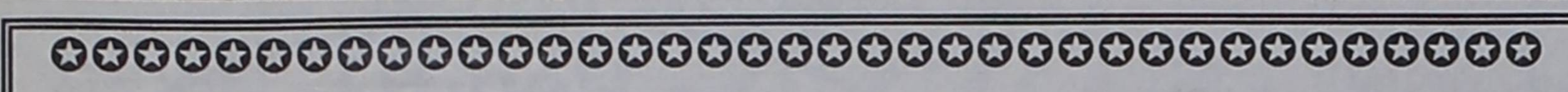
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# Out Here

By Ron Carr

'That's Not A Whole Lot Of Money!'

Just exactly what is a whole lot of money?

When I was a kid a quarter was quite a bit, a dollar was a bunch and a five was a lot of money.

A hundred dollars? That was getting real close to a whole lot of money.

Today a hundred dollars is pocket change. A couple of pizzas and a tank of gas and it is time to hit the ATM again.

The other day during one of the endless yak-yak debates after impeached president Billy Jeff Clinton unveiled the annual federal budget, I heard a Democratic congressman say "Well, that's not a whole lot of money."

Someone had asked him about a budget item that increased spending by \$200 billion. He actually set about trying to explain why \$200 billion "was not a whole lot of money."

I guess if you consider that Billy Jeff's 2001 budget was \$1.84 TRILLION, then a couple of hundred billion here or there is not a whole lot of money.

The truth is that the politicians have no conception of how much money the federal government spends. They speak in terms of billions and trillions in nonchalant terms.

They make projections 10 and 20 years in the future and expect the American People to believe it as the gospel according to Washington. Truth is they don't have a clue what the surplus or deficit will be two years from now, much less 20 years distant. Not even George W does. If he says he does, don't believe him.

I set about to write \$1.84 TRILLION in numbers so maybe you would get the

idea that it is a whole lot of money. To be honest I wasn't sure how many zeros to use.

No problem. My newspaper colleague Roger Estlack came to the rescue. Roger is an astute young man and the publisher of the Clarendon Enterprise, one of the better weekly newspapers in Texas.

He expounds regularly on the political mess in America and 99% of the time I agree with him. (Didn't agree about Elian Gonzales, Roger.)

Anyway, Roger had an editorial about the budget in which he wrote out the \$1.84

TRILLION in numbers. This is what it looks like:

\$1,840,000,000,000.00


Is that a whole lot of money or what? That is about how much Jerry Jones paid Deion Sanders for his one touchdown this year.

Maybe that's how much Tiger Woods will win before this golf season is over. It is close to what Bill Gates will spend for Christmas presents next December.

Lucky for America, that \$1.84 TRILLION budget becomes effective next October 1 and Billy Jeff will (Continued On Page 3A)

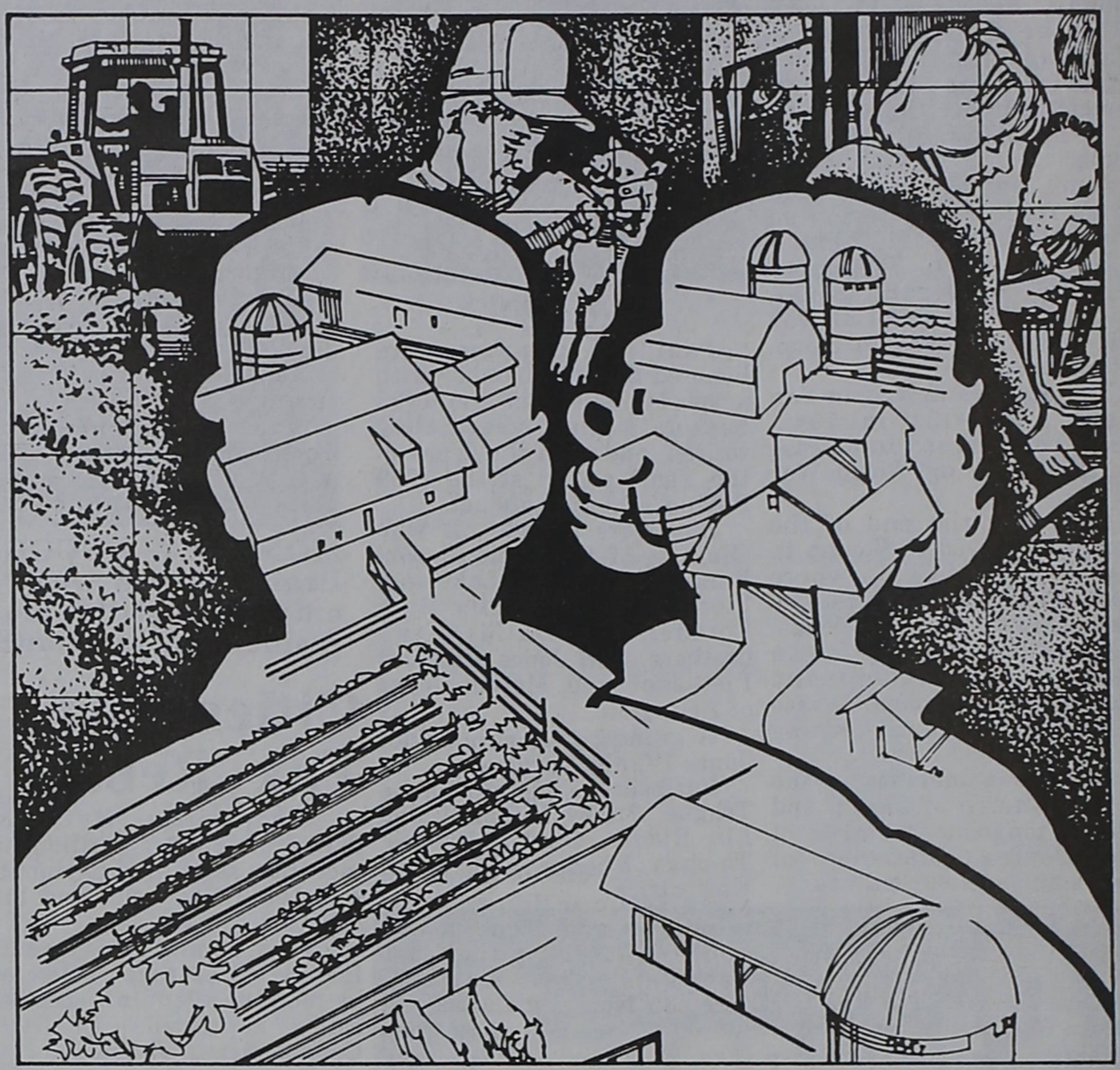
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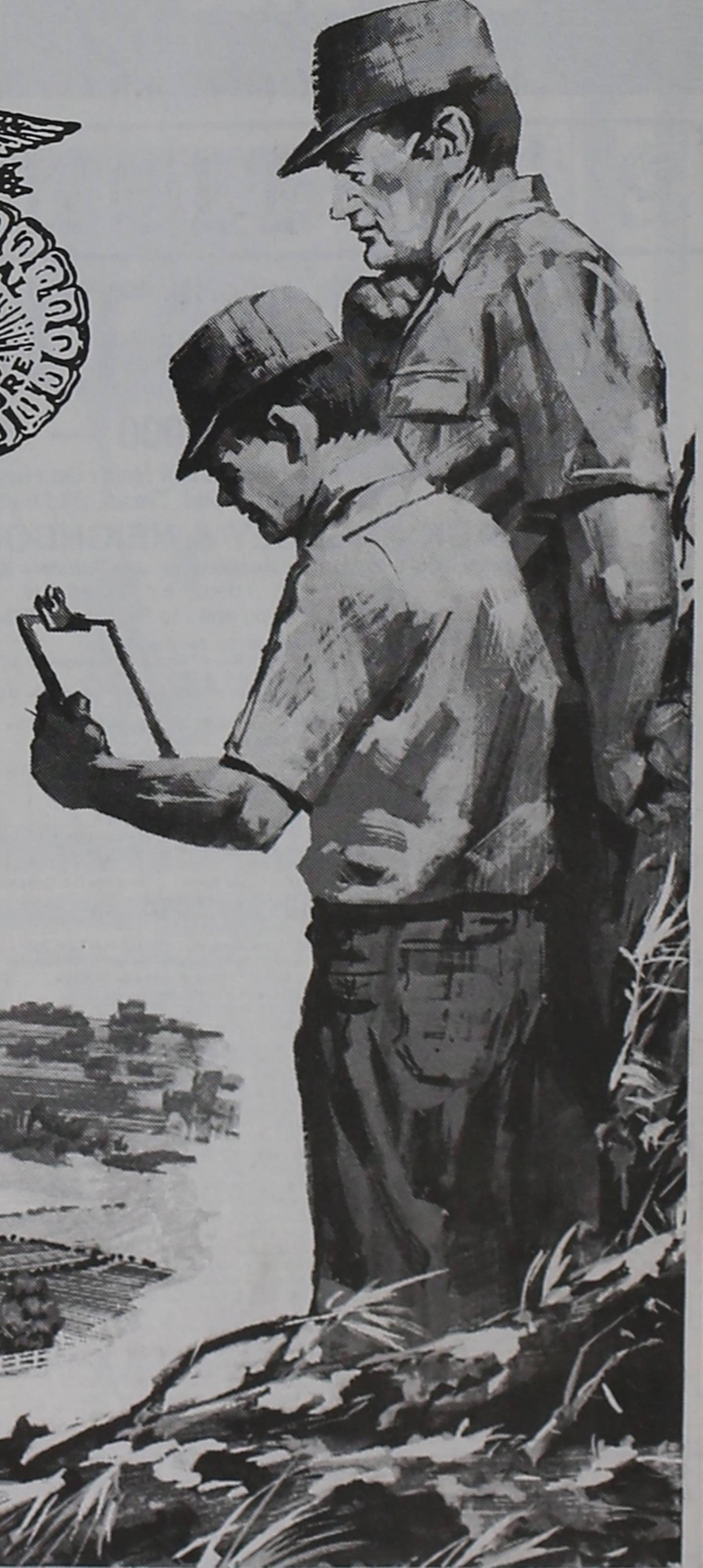
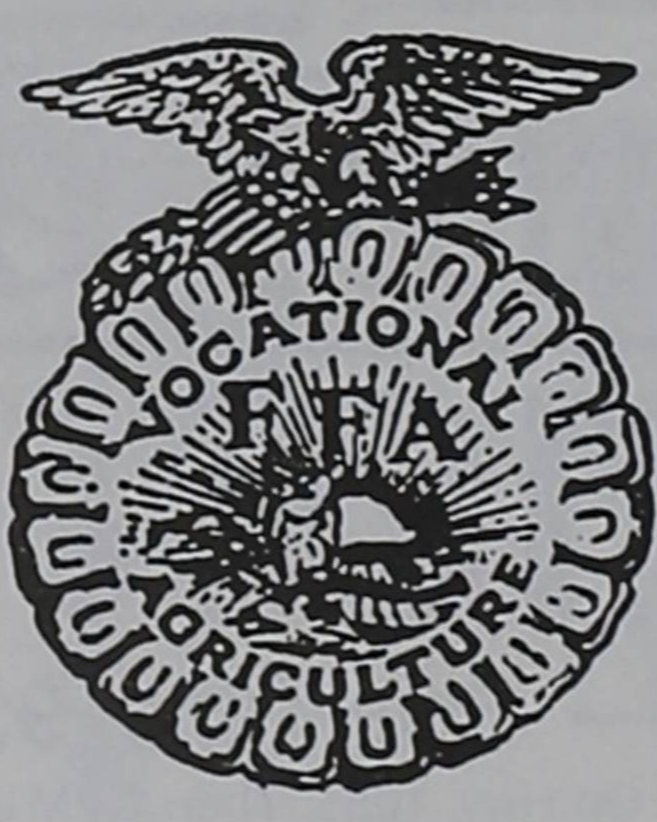
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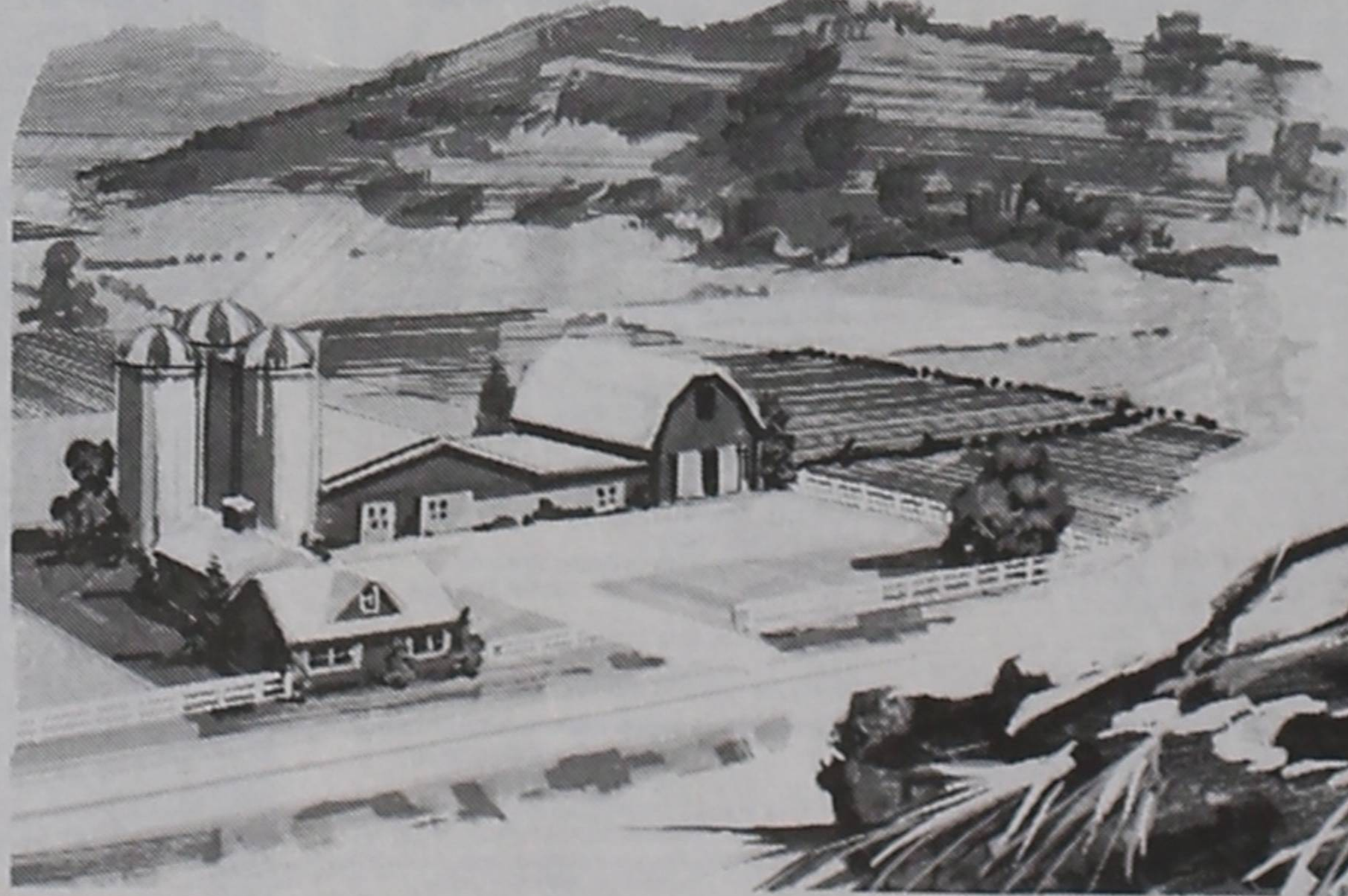
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(Continued From Page 2A) have less than four months to spend it.

We members of America's great unwashed are numb to big dollars in today's society. Everybody seems to talk in terms of millions, billions and trillions. Personally I like to brag about kazillions.

Even the high stakes Texas Lotto players and the scratch-off crowd don't get excited anymore when the Lotto jackpot is a measly \$4 million.

We hear about billion dollar mergers. We shrug it off. We hear that American Airlines is spending \$70 million to take some seats out of all their airplanes. Doesn't mean anything.

Texas A&M's Board of Regents approved a \$1 million budget for the bonfire investigators to spend to find out why several thousand tree trunks tragically collapsed. The \$1 million is on top of \$290,000 they have already spent.

One investigator was quoted as saying "It's very, very tight but we think we can get it done by March 31 and for \$1 million." I'm sorry but that looks like a whole lot of money.

I think we could round up a van load of Parmer County volunteers and go down and figure out why the logs collapsed. Then we could take 135 North to Dallas and spend a couple of weeks taking those seats off of American's planes.

I reckon we could do the entire project by the middle of March for, oh let's say, \$35 million. Based on their

estimates, that's not a whole lot of money!

America's drug czar, General Barry McCaffrey, was on C-Span this week trying to explain why the drug problem in America is growing in spite of all the money we are throwing at it.

At one point the good General made reference to the \$100 million that Billy Jeff is proposing to send to Colombia to help stop the flow of drugs. He said that amount should be adequate "give or take \$25 million."

That is the way most politicians seem to think about that big pile of your money accumulating in America's capitol. They spend it. Got a social problem, throw some money at it.

The education system stinks so feed it some money. Gun control? Allocate and spend a few billion.

Now pay attention to what Billy Jeff said in his State of the Union about the

economy. With great bravado, he said this year marked the 12th consecutive year of growth in the economy.

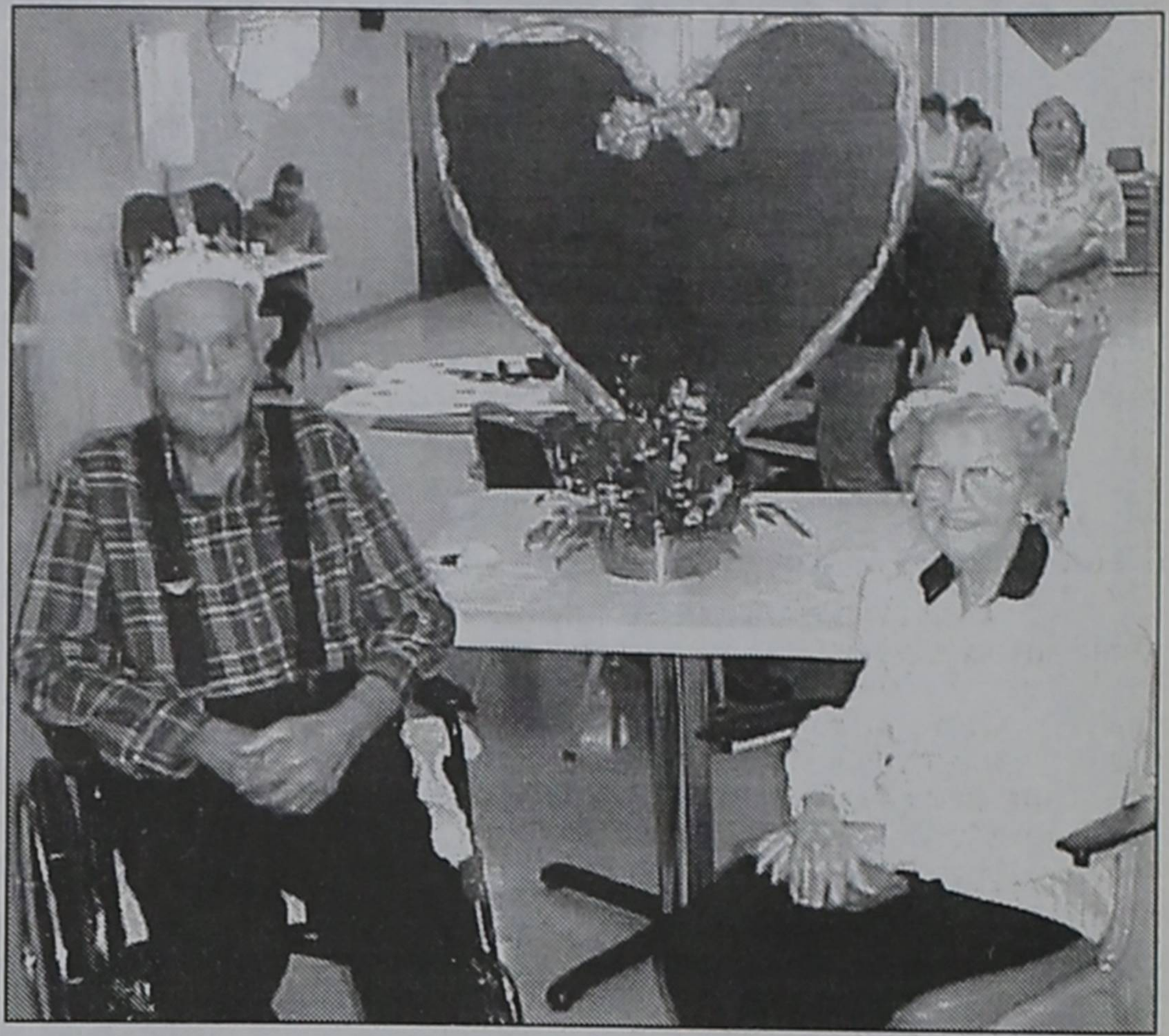
Then he took credit for it even though he has only been in office for 7 years. (I know it seems like he has been around longer than that.)

Billy Jeff's 2001 budget of \$1.84 TRILLION is not a whole lot of money. The politicians in D.C. don't seem to know or care what a lot of money really is.

I'll tell you what is a whole lot of money these days. Filling up a Chevy Silverado with a 40 gallon tank at \$1.35 a gallon (most of which is federal tax.)

Like an old timer in Hillsboro used to tell me: "Son, I don't care if gray goes to fifty cents a sop, I'm still gonna' have gravy."

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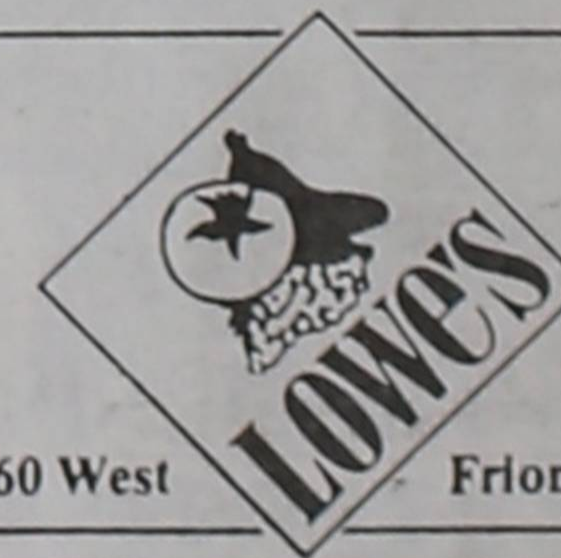
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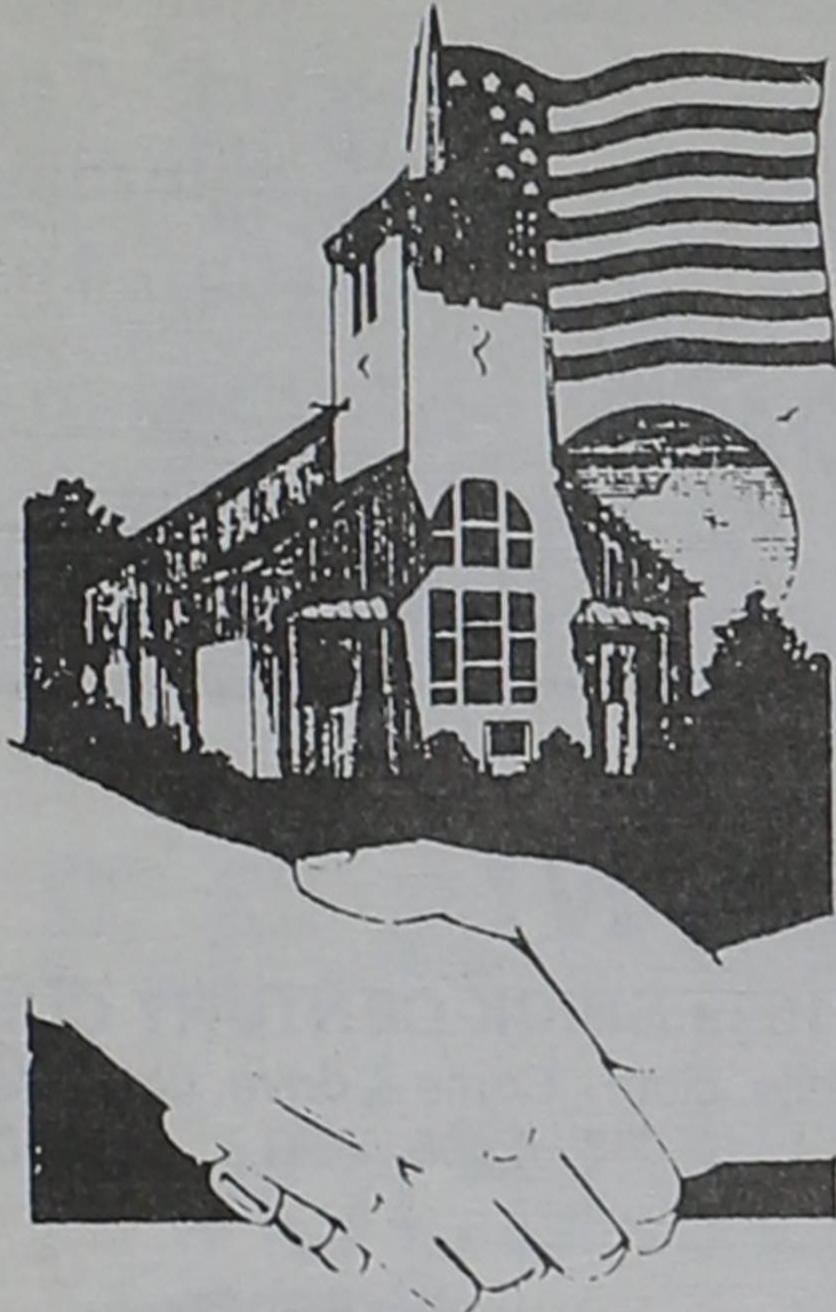
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**CHRISTINE GREGORIS and CHAD BEAVERS** Steve and Judy Gregoris of San Antonio announce the engagement of their daughter, Christine Elaine Gregoris, to Chad Michael Beavers, both of Hereford. The prospective groom is the son of Manuel and Sandra Beavers of Hereford. The couple is planning a May 28 wedding in St. Thomas Episcopal Church. The bride-elect graduated from Amarillo High School. She attended Amarillo College and West Texas A & M University. She is employed by Covenant Family Healthcare Center as the business office supervisor. Beavers graduated from Friona High School. He attended Angelo State University receiving a double bachelor's degree in communication and psychology and then a master's degree in psychology. He is employed by Texas Panhandle Mental Health Authority as the director of services for Deaf Smith and Oldham counties.



**KEDRA COCO and JOSH SNEAD**...Malcolm and Judy Coco of Abilene, Texas announce the engagement of their daughter, Kedra, to Josh Snead of Abilene, son of Gary and Kay Snead of Friona. The wedding will be held June 10, 2000 at 2 p.m. at the Logsdon Chapel at Hardin Simmons University, Abilene. The bride-elect is a graduate of Abilene Christian High School. She is a 1999 graduate of Abilene Christian University and is currently employed by Abilene Independent School District. The prospective bridegroom is a graduate of Friona High School and a 1999 graduate of Abilene Christian University. He is currently employed by Abilene New Holland.

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London and other recruits also received instruction on the Marine Corps' core values—honor, courage and commitment, and what the words mean in guiding personal and professional conduct.

London is a 1999 Graduate of Breckenridge High School.

**Happy Birthday Friona Folks....**

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February 20--Larry Potts, Clint Hurst, Cody Bracken, Tina Cole, Gretchen Edelman, Luis Martinez, Carol Smith, Hollis L. Ratliff, John Edd Duke, Jr.

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February 24-----Joe Bob Johnson, Bobbie Clark, Janice Auburg, Sharon Rector, Della Patterson, Michelle Morris, Lisa Ann Edelman, Joey Dominguez, Roseanne Zamora, Robin Rushing.

February 25-----Dustin Campbell, Cameron Talley, Tommy Villalobos, Lyn Eldon Randolph, Alexander Gurley, Emily Hollis Gurley.

February 26--Amy Beth Terry, Jerry London, Lesta Lee Neill, Cody Bails, Duce

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If you or someone in your family has a birthday coming up soon, call the Friona Star office at 250-2211 and report it.

**Women's Retreat Set April 7-8**

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The speaker for this year's retreat is Margaret Thurkleson, a speaker and teacher on prayer and the spiritual life, from Lexington, Kentucky.

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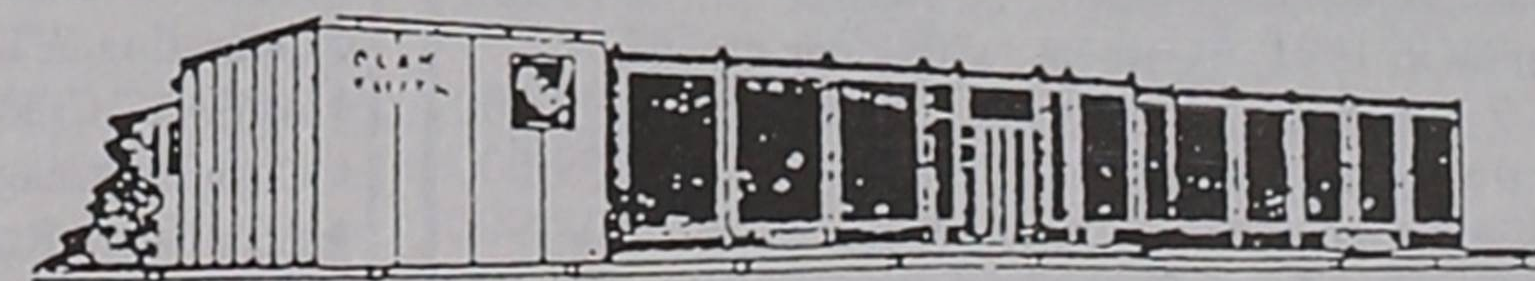
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### CARD OF THANKS

*We would like to express our love and appreciation to each of you for your prayers, calls, cards and support during the long illness of our mother, Lillian.*

*Special thank you to the doctors, nurses and home health care of Parmer County Community Hospital for the care you gave her.*

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\*SHOP, HOME & RENTAL in one location-Hwy 60.....\$130,000  
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\*Payments less than rent-lg corner lot.....CONTRACT PENDING  
\*NEEDS SOME WORK-3BR 1bath 2-story.....\$23,450  
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**Political Calendar**

The Friona Star/Bovina Blade have been authorized to announce the candidacy of the following, subject to the primaries on March 14, 2000.

**Republican Primary**  
COUNTY SHERIFF:  
Walt Yerger (I)  
Randy Gerles  
CO. COMMISSIONER,  
Precinct 1  
Johnny Tannahill (I)  
Kirk Frye

**Democratic Primary**  
COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR  
Bobbie Pierson  
Jesse Cantu, Jr.  
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3 BR, 2 baths, 2 car, corner lot, close to High School.....\$58,000  
2 BR, 1 bath, newly re-done and nice.....\$27,000  
3-BR, 2-baths, permastone, large corner lot, near FHS.....SOLD..\$49,900  
2 BR, 1 bath, 1 car, brick, good starter home.....\$37,000  
3 BR, 2 baths, 2 car garage, BV, new tile flooring, quiet street.....\$68,400  
3 BR, 1 bath, ready to sell, new listing.....\$35,000  
3-BR, 2-baths, 2 living areas, 2 car, with large shop, large corner lot, basement, plus garden shed.....SOLD.....\$112,000  
4 BR, 2-3/4 baths, 2 storages with garage, corner lot.....\$85,000  
3 BR, 1 bath, family room, living room, corner lot, SD/SW.....\$36,900  
3-BR, 1-bath, 1-car garage, clean, NEW-LISTING.....SOLD.....\$36,000  
10 acres, on highway, would make nice home site, new listing....\$13,300  
Small office/studio with 1/2 bath to be moved.....\$5,000  
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3-BR, 1-3/4-baths, one car, large utility, fence.....SOLD.....\$41,900  
Country home, 5 acres, new in 1991, basement, with 2 car garage, large shop plus large 2 car garage det.....\$195,000  
3 BR, 1 bath, large family room, storage, new listing.....\$39,500  
3-BR, 1-bath, storage building, unique.....SOLD.....\$28,900  
3-BR, 1-3/4-baths, 2 living areas, 2 car, 2-story, re-done.....SOLD.....\$79,200  
2 BR, 1 bath, 1 car, brick, fenced, patio.....\$37,000  
2-BR, 2-1/2-BA, brick home, ex. storage, cellar reduced.....SOLD..\$59,760  
9.5 acres w/country home, 1.5 miles to Bovina, on highway.....\$65,000  
2-3-BR, 1-bath, metal, shop, 2-car carport, nice & clean.....SOLD..\$51,000  
3 BR, 1-3/4 baths, lg. corner lot, 2 car, ref. a/c, lg., shop, cellar.....\$54,900  
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**HONORED FOR SERVICE** at Prairie Acres were employees, l-r, Elva Trevino, 5 years; Patti Widner, 15 yrs; Prairie Acres executive director Jo Blackwell; and Rosa Chavez, 5 years. Not pictured was Janie Cruz, 5 years.



**A TON OF BRICKS...**Not exactly a ton, but Police Chief Randy Gerries and Officer Joe Herrera are shown with the 50 packages of marijuana Herrera found during an early morning traffic stop. The 70 pound stash has an estimated value of \$70,000. Story on page 1.

**Early Voting Feb 28-Mar 10**  
Early voting for the March 14 primary election will begin Feb 28 through Mar 10. Early voters can vote at the County Clerk's Office in Farwell each day during this period.  
Or Friday, Mar 3 and March 10 at First Bank in Bovina. Or at Friona State Bank on Tue, Feb 29; Thu Mar 2; Tue Mar 7; and Thu Mar 9.  
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**HANDY DANDIES....**Working hard to complete the renovation and remodeling at the Friona Public Library are librarians Darla Bracken and Brenda Patterson. Watch the Friona Star and cable channels for reopening date.

**Around Town. . . . .**(Cont. from Page 3)

**Bill Amero, Red Cross's Panhandle Director of Disaster Services** at the office. For details and requirements call 364-3761. Also if you are a former WSI and are interested in teaching swim lessons, contact the Red Cross office.

**IRS forms at city hall**  
IRS tax forms which are usually available at the library, can now be picked up at city hall while the library is closed for renovation.

**Community Heritage annual meeting**  
The 15th annual meeting of the Community Heritage Society of Friona, Inc. will be held on Mon, Feb 21, at 7 p.m. at the Depot. There will be a short business meeting as the terms of 4 directors are expiring. Chubby Buns BBQ will cater the meal for this "President's Day" meeting.

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  - Herbicide & Pesticide Update Tues. Feb. 22, 1:30 p.m.
  - Reproduction in the Post Partum Cow Wed. Feb. 23, 1 p.m.
- ◆ Blacksmithing Demonstration by Mesa Technical College Wed. Feb. 23, 1 p.m.
- ◆ Red Angus Futurity Heifer Sale Wed. Feb. 23, 2:30 p.m.
- ◆ Antique Auction by J & J Auctioneers Consignments accepted at 800-687-8616 Tues. Feb. 22, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- ◆ Equine Behavior Modification Demo by Dr. James McCall Tues. Feb. 22, 9:30 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.
- ◆ 2nd Annual RHAA Sanctioned Working Ranch Horse Competition Wed. Feb. 23, 1 p.m.
- ◆ Horseshoeing Demonstration by Mesa Technical College Wed. Feb. 23, 10:30 a.m.
- ◆ Chuck Wagon Lunch Tues. Feb. 22, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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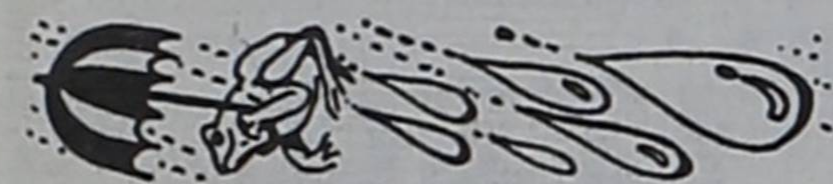
### DEC To Award Five Area Scholarships

Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative will award five \$2,000 scholarships in May to eligible applicants of immediate families of active members and active employees of Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative.

Applicants may be either traditional high school graduates or students wishing to continue their education after an extended absence. Applicants must be of good character as evidenced by at least three letters of recommendation from teachers, principals, or counselors. Selection will be based on grade point average, community activities, service work and recommendations. Secondary criteria will include: written essay, SAT/ACT scores and academic honors.

Applications may be obtained from area high schools, extension offices of Deaf Smith, Parmer, Castro and Oldham counties, or Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative's office in Hereford.

Applications must be received no later than March 10, 2000. Awards will be announced within sixty days of this date.



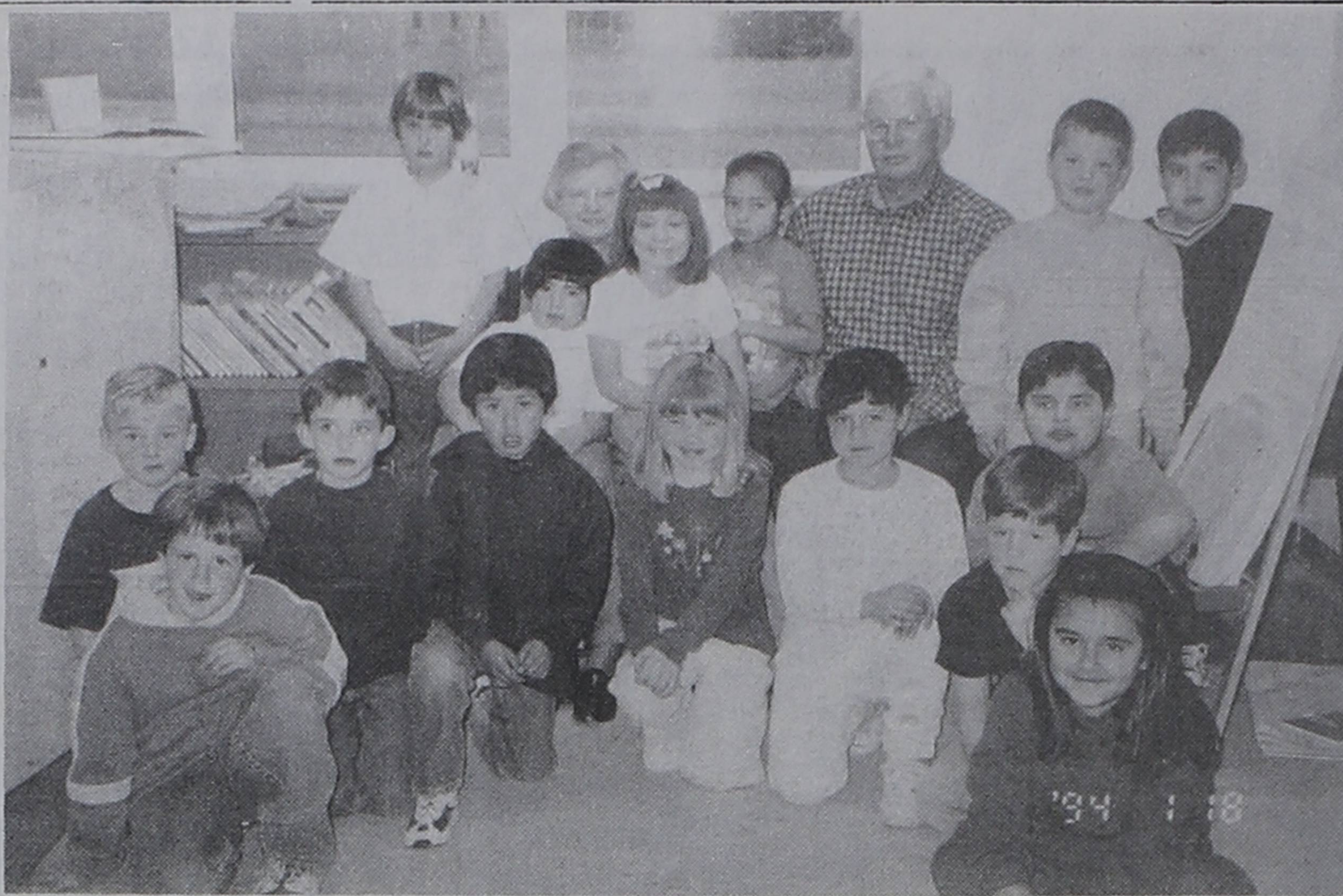
### VFW Fried Chicken Dinner Sunday, Feb 20

The Friona VFW and Auxiliary will be serving up another of their famous fried chicken dinners this Sunday, February 20. Serving hours are 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Veteran's Hall at 6th and Euclid in Friona. Take outs will be available.

The Sunday menu will be deep-fried chicken, white creamed gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, bread, butter, dessert, iced tea and toothpicks. The cost is \$6 adults and \$3 children.



CLARINET QUARTET...FHS band clarinet players, l-r, Charee Lewellen, Monica Gonzales and Porfirio Cardenas, earned a superior Division 1 rating and qualified for the state Solo & Ensemble contest in San Marcos on May 29. Not pictured is quartet member Petra Chavarria.



LIVING HISTORY...Peggy and Clarence Monroe visited Mrs. Hunt's first grade class to share their stories during the Race to Read program. They said as young children they were both raised on farms, grew most of their food and had many chores every day.

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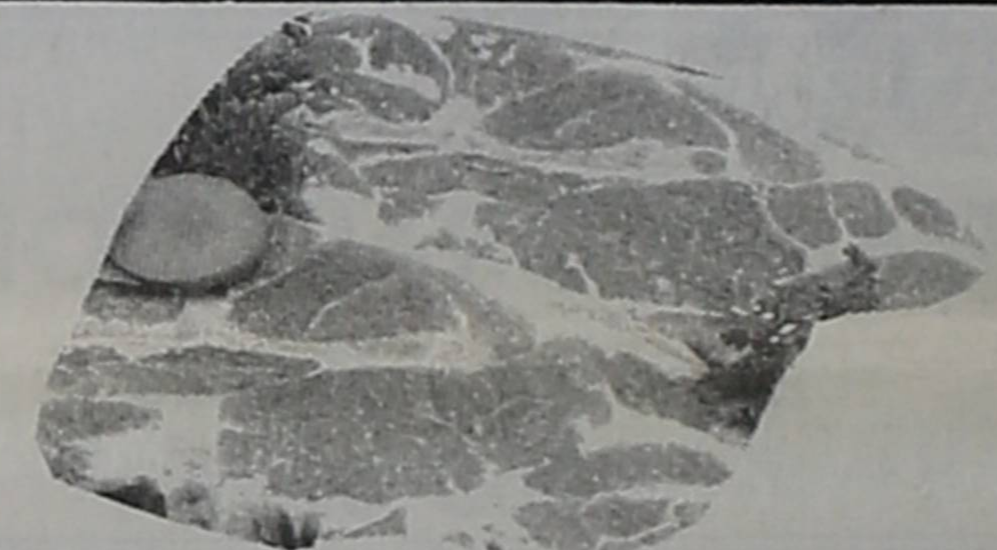
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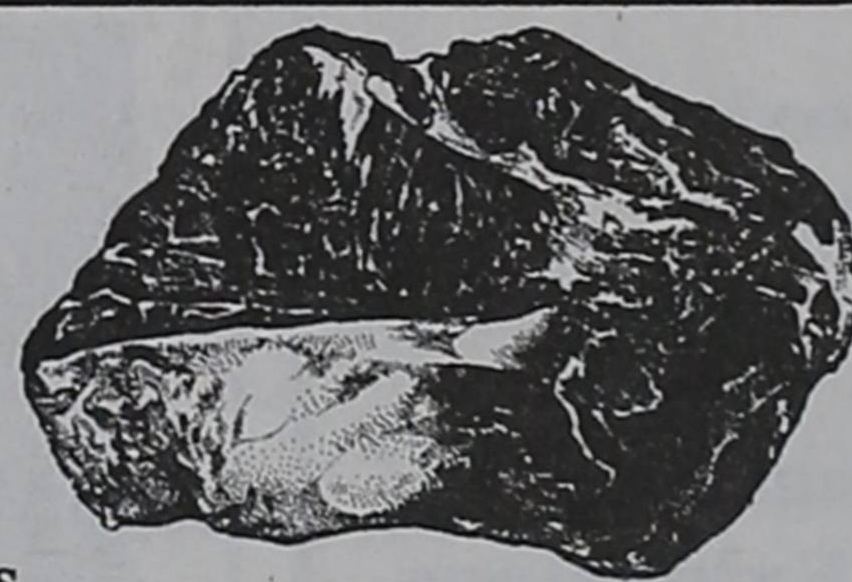
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