

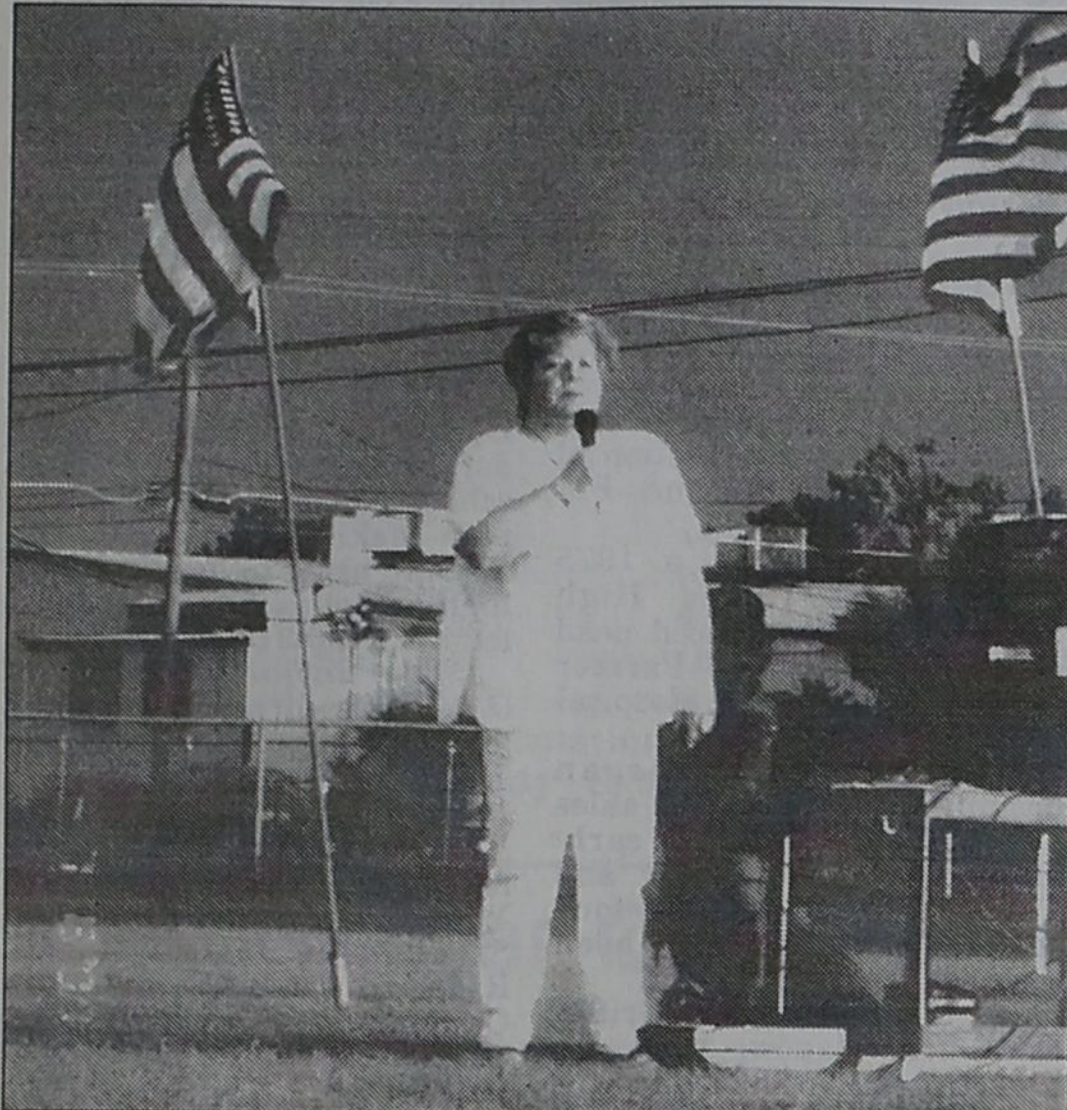
The Bovina Blade

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EIGHT PAGES

Good News In
Bovina
For The Past
45 Years!



2000 School Registration Scheduled

Registration for Bovina Schools for the 2000-2001 school year will be August 1, 2, and 3 in the high school library.

Hours available for registration are 9-11 a.m.; 1-3 p.m.; and 5-7 p.m.

Pre-K students only, hours are: Aug. 1-same as above; Aug. 2-3, from 5-7 p.m. only.

New students should bring copies of birth certificates, Social Security card (if available) and immunization records.

All students should also bring a parent with them to register, regardless of grade level.

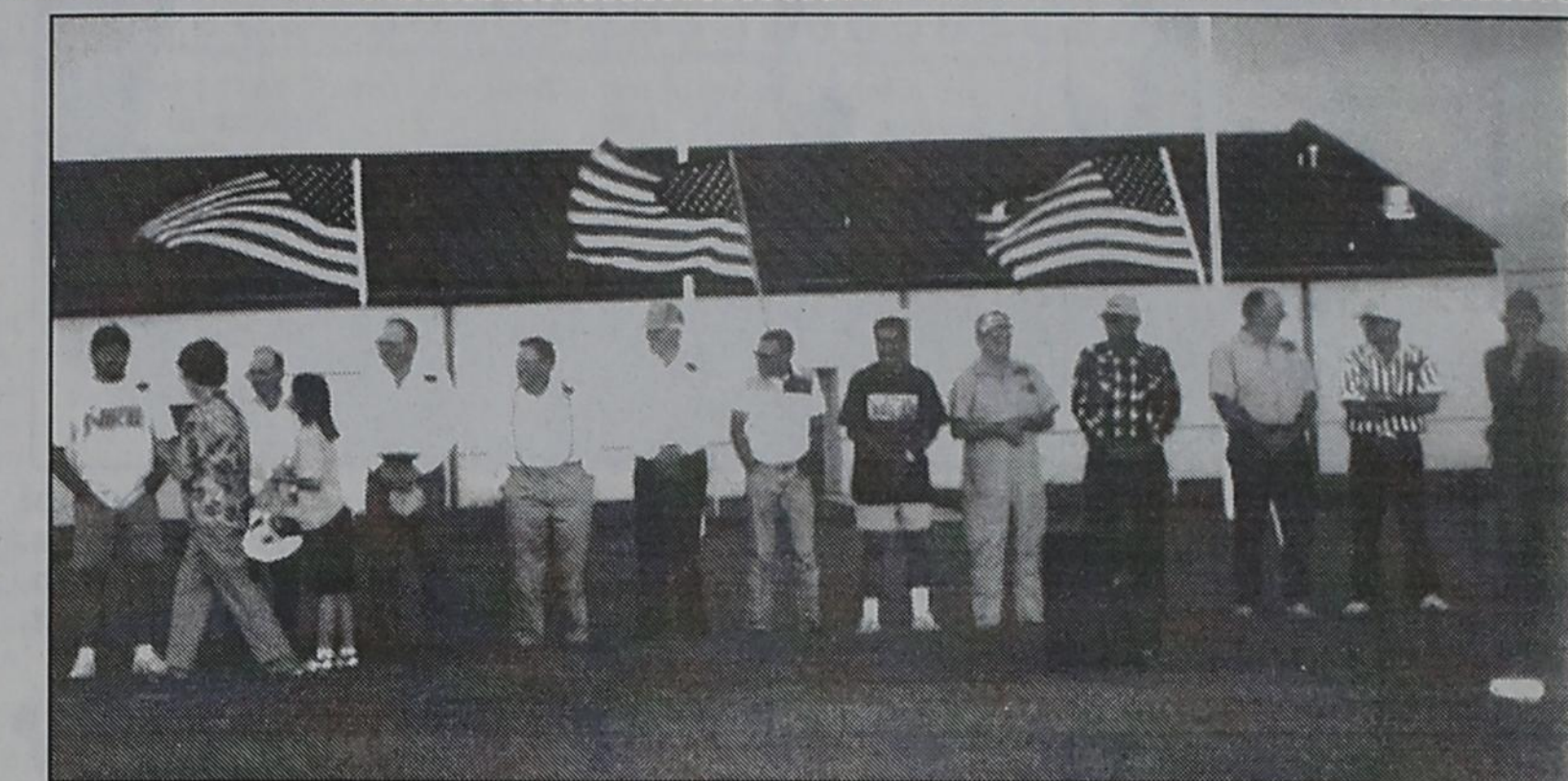
Buggy Caravan Passes Through Parmer Co.

By now you have seen Terry Lee Colborn and his horse drawn buggy in one of the newspapers published between Clovis and Amarillo. Or you might have caught him on one of the Amarillo TV stations.

Colborn, two companions, and two horses named Benjamin Moore and Final Eagle are making their way from Hondo Valley, New Mexico, to Washington, D. C.

At the rate of 20-25 miles per day, they expect to arrive sometime in October. They are carrying wreaths to place on the Vietnam Memorial, Arlington Cemetery and on a Firefighters Memorial in Maryland.

The Amish-style wagon, fully restored by Colborn, is accompanied by an aging motorhome and a soon to be ancient utility vehicle. There



BOVINA'S VETERANS were honored with praise and flowers during the July 4 Independence Day celebrations at Mustang Field.



PATRIOTIC MUSIC...Mrs. Wayne Erwin, top, and Mrs. Mike Beauchamp, below, are flanked by American flags on a nice July 4 evening as they provided patriotic music for the crowd before the fireworks show at dusk.

SUMMERTIME ALWAYS means it's "reunion season," and chances are that many of our readers have already attended at least one reunion this summer.

Carol and I kicked off our reunion month by attending my all-school reunion at Muleshoe on July 3. As they have done a couple of times previously, Darlene and Kenneth Henry hosted my class of 1955 group at their lovely home. There were also a few members of the '54 class present.

I don't know what's going on. Some of the members of my graduating class are beginning to look old. I thought we were all basically the same age, but now I'm beginning to wonder. It's always good to see the Black twins, along with my old pal Clinton Dillard. My friend Wayne Bristow came this year. It was his first time to make the "every five year" reunion, and he thoroughly enjoyed seeing some of our old cronies.

Bettie Collins Richardson of Austin was there. We haven't seen each other many times since we shared a page in the yearbook our senior year.

It's hard to believe that 45 years have come and gone since our group donned our caps and gowns, then went out into the world confident that we were probably the group that would make our marks. That, of course, was the "rose colored glasses" syndrome.

It was also good to see some of my former sports heroes from the '53 and '54 classes, such as Jimmy Clyde Holt, Buck Johnson and Robert Richards.

Muleshoe didn't win any football championships during my high school days, but did send a girls team to the state meet my sophomore year, and won district again in '55.

The guys mentioned above played football, but their forte was track. Johnson was unbeatable in the mile run, and with the help of the other two, made up a mile relay team that made it to the state finals. Holt brought home the gold medal in the long jump in '54.

There was no official track uniforms that year, so the mother of one of the players decided it would be fun to get shorts with polka-dots, and most of the team wore them. They would get a lot of laughs when they came to the start of their race, but the grins were gone by the time the anchor man smoked his competition on the final turn.

But my favorite person at the reunion was my eighth grade English instructor, Elizabeth Watson, who is still lively though she's somewhere close to 90 years young. She has made every one of our all-school reunions.

I've always felt that Mrs. Watson, who has the Muleshoe junior high named in her honor, instilled the basics in English with this particular student, and encouraged me to write.

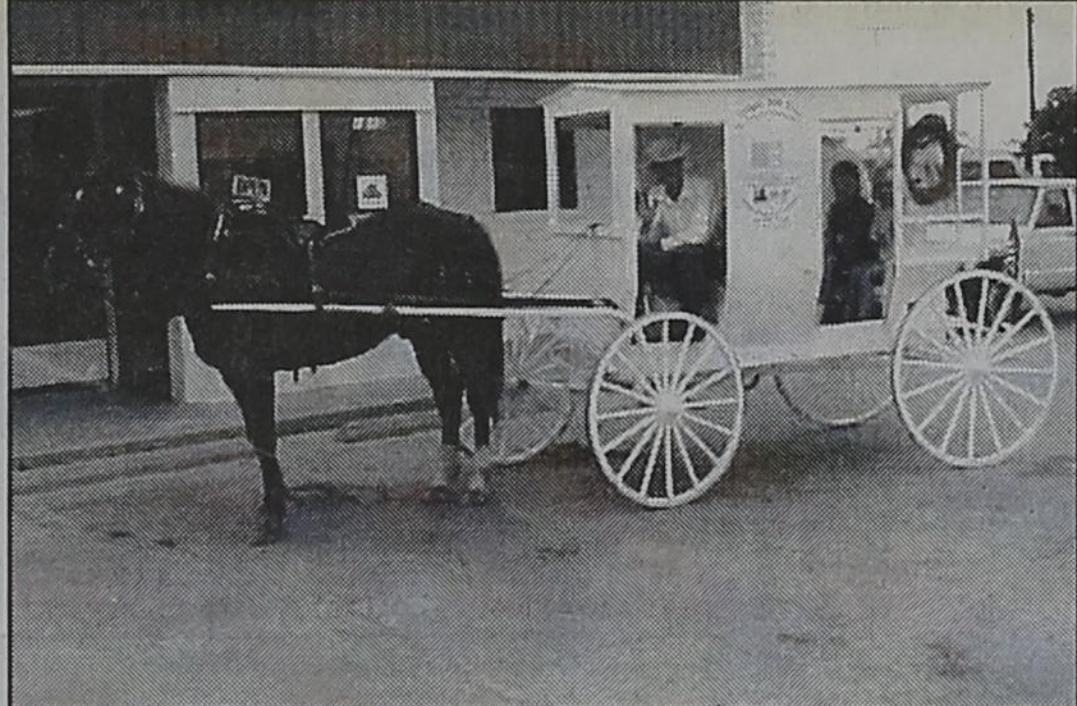
When I greeted her, Mrs. Watson asked me: "Billy, can you still diagram a sentence?" I responded that I believed I could, whereupon, she "assigned" me a sentence, and lo and behold, I managed to get the job done.

At the beginning of our eighth grade year, "Mrs. W" asked Wayne and I to meet with her one day after lunch. We were relieved that she only wanted to see if we wanted to help her start a junior high newspaper. The outcome was the FBI, not the investigators, but the "Feed Bag Information."

I'm not sure if the FBI is still being published, but thank God for folks like Elizabeth Watson. And Darlene, Marlene, Ernest, Gordon, Clinton and Wayne, Bettie and all the rest. I think we were classmates during the best possible years to have grown up in this great country, and the best part of that country to boot!

Bull Town Bulletins

By Bill Ellis



TERRY LEE COLBORN and his horse, Benjamin Moore, pause in Friona during their journey to Washington, D.C. Hitching a ride are Zach and Megan Carr. ron carr photo

Rip's To Close After 57 Years In Texico

As a youngster, Roy Snodgrass lived in back of a curtain that separated his dad's shoe repair business from their living quarters.

Rip Snodgrass moved his family and the shoe repair equipment from Wellington, Texas to Texico, New Mexico in 1943. In April of '43 he opened his shoe repair business in a section of the former bank building, built in 1910.

Businesses in the building came and went over the years. During the war, Roy says Rip started selling merchandise to supplement his shoe repair. "During the war everything was scarce," Roy said. "If you could get it you could sell it."

He recalls his dad getting only left over leather, some of which was red or green, not popular shoe colors in the '40s. But people would drive from all over the area to buy the sandals Rip made because shoes were so scarce.

The business eventually expanded into Rip's Western Wear, where local folk could buy the latest in boots and jeans or have a new hat blocked. Western suits, jewelry, and other items for cowboys and cowgirls were added.

Roy says after a while, the family moved their living quarters into an adjacent space, then upstairs for several years.

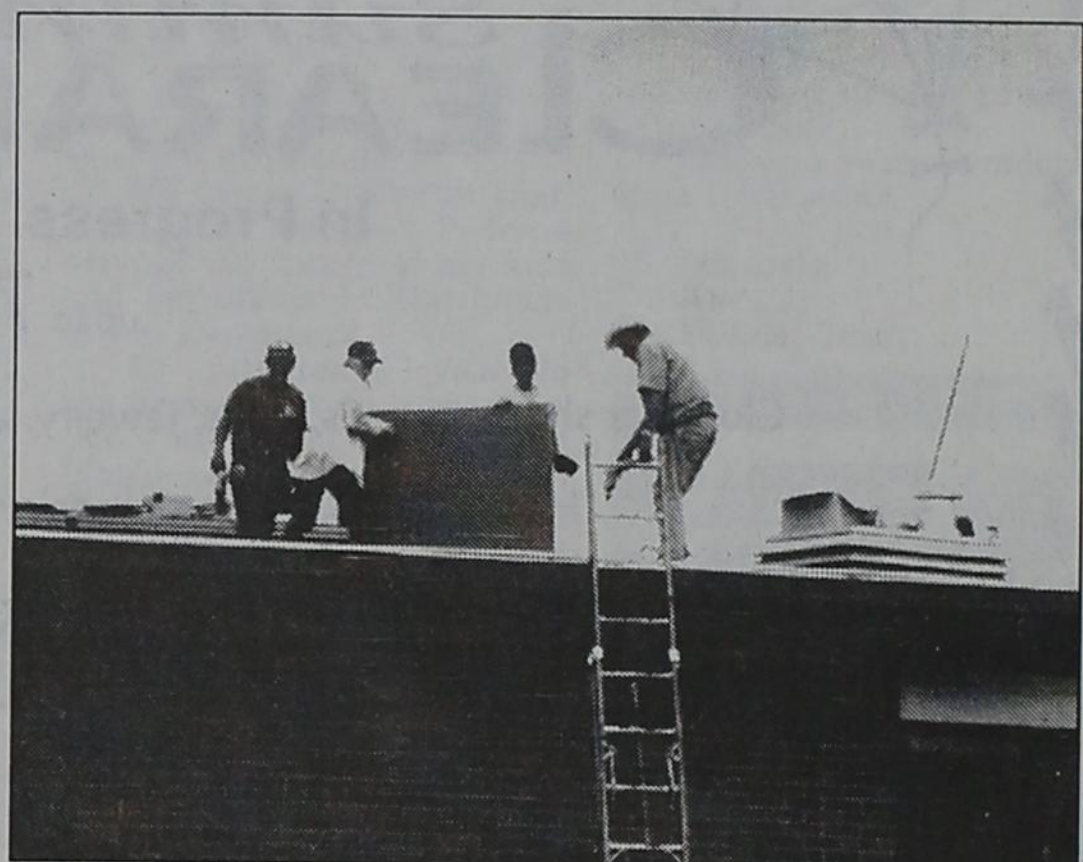
are three dogs traveling with the caravan also.

Colborn and his motley crew spent the night in Friona on Thursday, July 13, on the grounds of the Community Center. It was the same night Friona received a couple of inches of rain and monsoon winds.

A horse trailer behind the motorhome, carrying the word "Caution" in big, bold letters, carries one of the two horses.

Colborn said that the horse, Benjamin Moore, is 24-years-old and pulled another wagon for him on a 1,000 mile journey in 1980.

The group carries various digital and video cameras and has a website for following their adventures. The address is www.triple00tour.com. You can e-mail them at triple000tour@yahoo.com.



HOW 'BOUT THAT HEAT?...Work continues at Bovina Schools in spite of recent record-breaking heat. These workmen are roofing the Ridgelea School.

Stolen Truck Leads Chase Through Friona

For the second time in less than a month, a law enforcement vehicle has had a window kicked out by an unhappy suspect.

On Tuesday morning, July 18, at 7:15 a.m. Friona police officer Joe Herrera attempted to stop a pickup with New Mexico license plates in a residential area near 6th Street.

The pickup, occupied by two males, sped off and led Officer Herrera on a 10-block chase in the general area of the 800-1000 blocks of Grand, Ashland and Woodland.

The truck turned into an alley near the 900 block of Woodland where the two occupants fled on foot. Herrera had radioed for backup and Police Chief Randy Gerries and reserve officer Steve Jones quickly joined the foot chase.

Both suspects were captured by the officers in the residential area. Herrera and DPS Trooper Dean Fant later searched the area because Herrera thought he had observed one of the suspects throw something out of the truck window. However, that

search was unsuccessful.

The 1990 Chevrolet pickup had been stolen that morning from a residence in Clovis. The pickup owner had left the truck unlocked with the keys in it. He was still asleep and unaware his pickup had been stolen when notified by Clovis police about the Friona chase.

Arrested were Mikey Ralph Padilla, 17, of Clovis. He was the driver of the vehicle. He has been charged with vehicle theft, evading arrest and criminal mischief.

The criminal mischief charge was added when Padilla kicked out the left rear window of Officer Herrera's patrol car while handcuffed in the back seat.

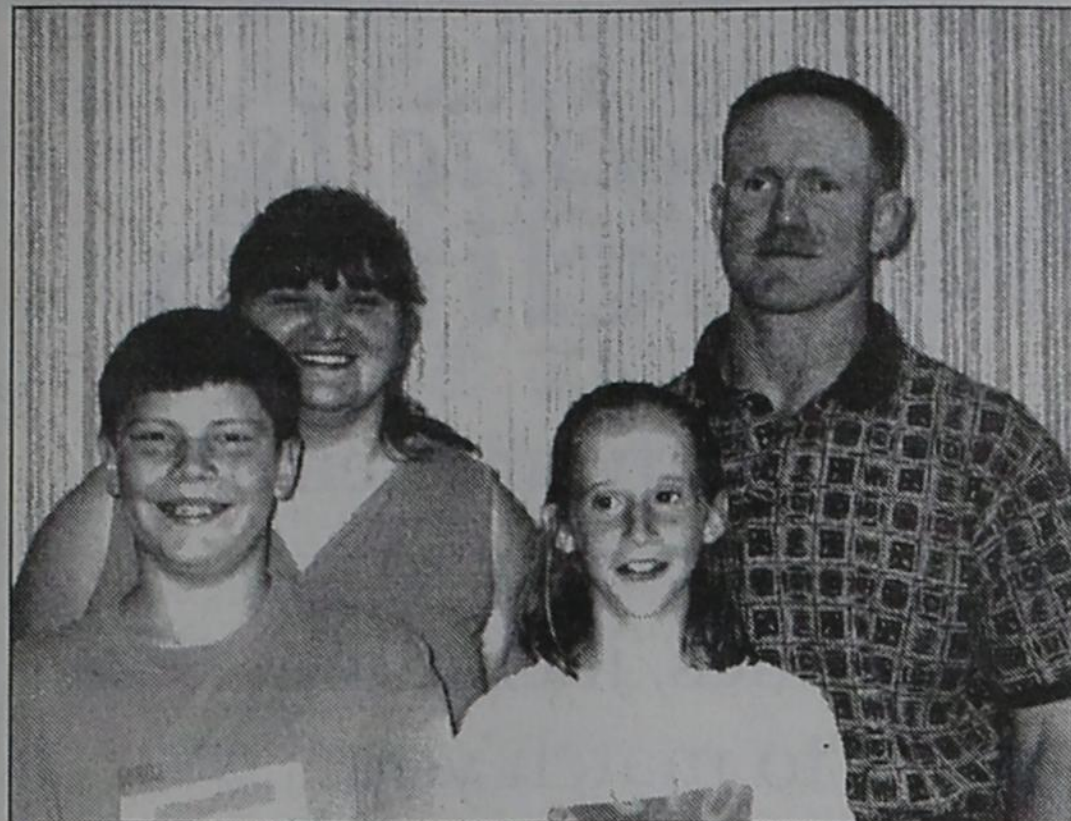
Also arrested was Vernon George, 21, of Clovis. He was charged with evading arrest, vehicle theft, and possession of marijuana. The possession charge is a Class B misdemeanor.

Chief Gerries said the two suspects told officers they were on their way to Amarillo. Detectives from Clovis were at the Friona

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ROY SNODGRASS watches the register at Rip's in Texico. To his left a few feet is the area his family lived in during the 1940s, separated by a curtain from the original business, Rip's Shoe Repair. ron carr photo



ATTEND LEADERSHIP CAMP.....District 2 4-H Leadership Camp was held June 6-8 in Levelland on the South Plains College campus. 4-H youngsters, ages 10-12 years old from across the South Plains, attended the camp. Attending from Parmer County were Dan Patterson, Alicia Wauson, Sarah Herington, all of Farwell, and County Extension Agent Cody G. Hill. They developed leadership skills throughout the week that will help them become better and more productive citizens in the future. For more information about 4-H activities, call the Parmer County Extension Office at (806) 481-3619.

Parmer County Treasurer's Report

REPORT of Anne G. Norton, County Treasurer of Parmer County, Texas, of Receipts and Expenditures from April 1, 2000, to June 30, 2000, inclusive:

Jury Fund	
Balance last report, filed March 31, 2000.....	3,983.03
Amount received since last report.....	760.41
Amount paid out since last report.....	2,868.55
06-30-00 balance.....	1,874.89
General Fund	
Balance last report, filed March 31, 2000.....	96,591.36
Amount received since last report.....	308,265.77
Amount paid out since last report.....	365,422.49
06-30-00 balance.....	39,434.64
Farm to Market Fund	
Balance last report, filed March 31, 2000.....	115,712.08
Amount received since last report.....	474,218.66
Amount paid out since last report.....	434,030.07
06-30-00 balance.....	155,900.67
Right of Way Fund	
Balance last report, filed March 31, 2000.....	28,150.11
Amount received since last report.....	10,643.15
Amount paid out since last report.....	0
06-30-00 balance.....	38,793.26
District Attorney Forfeiture Fund	
Balance last report, filed March 31, 2000.....	3,691.17
Amount received since last report.....	848.82
Amount paid out since last report.....	3,779.41
06-30-00 balance.....	760.58
Permanent Improvement Fund	
Balance last report, filed March 31, 2000.....	5,683.18
Amount received since last report.....	783.62
Amount paid out since last report.....	0
06-30-00 balance.....	6,466.80
Revenue Fund	
Balance last report, filed March 31, 2000.....	121,243.97
Amount received since last report.....	68,632.85
Amount paid out since last report.....	65,009.29
06-30-00 balance.....	124,867.53
Juvenile Probation Fund	
Balance last report, filed March 31, 2000.....	405.36
Amount received since last report.....	360.88
Amount paid out since last report.....	0
06-30-00 balance.....	766.24
County Attorney - Check Collection Fund	
Balance last report, filed March 31, 2000.....	1,292.70
Amount received since last report.....	1,412.00
Amount paid out since last report.....	539.00
06-30-00 balance.....	2,165.70
District Check Collection - 287th Fund	
Balance last report, filed March 31, 2000.....	913.64
Amount received since last report.....	450.00
Amount paid out since last report.....	1,314.76
06-30-00 balance.....	48.88
Parmer County Forfeiture Fund	
Balance last report, filed March 31, 2000.....	3,810.46
Amount received since last report.....	2,955.03
Amount paid out since last report.....	6,745.81
06-30-00 balance.....	19.68
Recapitulation	
Jury Fund.....	1,874.89
General Fund.....	39,434.64
Farm to Market Fund.....	155,900.67
Right of Way Fund.....	38,793.26
District Attorney Forfeiture Fund.....	760.58
Permanent Improvement Fund.....	6,466.80
Revenue Fund.....	124,867.53
Juvenile Probation Fund.....	766.24
County Attorney - Check Collection Fund.....	2,165.70
District Check Collection - 287th Fund.....	48.88
Parmer County Forfeiture Fund.....	19.68
TOTAL.....	371,098.87

List of Bonds and other Securities on Hand
Certificates of Deposit

Farm to Market.....	612,965.84
General.....	200,000.00

Tex Pool Investments

Farm to Market.....	412,500.00
Permanent Improvement Fund.....	45,000.00
General Fund.....	764,000.00
Jury Fund.....	60,000.00
Right Of Way Fund.....	110,000.00
TOTAL.....	2,204,465.84

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Anne G. Norton, County Treasurer of Parmer County, who by me duly sworn, upon oath, says that the within and foregoing report is true and correct.

Anne G. Norton, County Treasurer

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 10th day of July 2000.

Bonnie J. Clayton, County Judge

Examined and approved in open Commissioners' Court this 10th day of July 2000.

Out Here

By RON CARR

"The Future Watches As If A Hawk"

Mr. Richard A. Gephardt
Democratic Leader
430 So. Capital St., SE
Washington, D. C. 20003

Dear Mr. Gephardt,

I am writing to suggest how the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee (DCCC) can save a few pennies during this election year.

Take my name off your solicitation list and don't send me any more red, white and blue bumper stickers that say "(vote) Democrat and Take Back The House."

I'm not the least bit interested in you boys taking back any of the House, especially not the White House.

I have no idea how my name out here in Friona, Texas, ended up on your DCCC mailing list but I can tell you this with some certainty; I wouldn't vote for Al Gore for president, or any of your Democratic candidates, if you gave me a bumper sticker and a vehicle to put it on.

The other day my 11-year-old son Zach asked me who I was going to vote for. I explained that sometimes we vote against people and that I would be voting against Al Gore. I believe he understood that.

I did like that sentence on the back of the DCCC membership card you enclosed. It said that I should "accept this membership card as a symbol of your leadership within the National Democratic Party."

And then there was the underlined sentence: "we need the strong support of committed Democrats like you to get the job done."

We do agree on one point.

I believe that Democrats need to be committed.

Then there was the real reason for your nice letter. It went something like this: "More immediately, your membership donation of \$25, \$35, \$50 or more will help us make sure Congress heeds the voters' call to get back to work on issues like education, health care and protecting Social Security."

(You Democrats, including your impeached leader, Billy Jeff Clinton, keep saying you need to get back to work. Just what the hell have you people been doing up there that you're always needin' to get back to work.)

It's the old donation game. The one you Democrats hate so much. Even Al Gore says he is going to devote the rest of his life to Campaign Finance Reform, or something. Least that's what he said just before you Demos held a \$27 million fundraiser in Washington and bad-mouthed Republicans for doing the same thing.

I gotta' tell you, Dickie Boy, I don't think you need my money to win elections. I'm convinced that Al Gore will be the next president anyway because you and your colleagues will lie, cheat and steal and say or do anything necessary to win elections.

After the way you all stuck with Billy Jeff like glue and then proclaimed what a great man he was in spite of his crimes, I hope you can understand how a poor old simple Panhandle boy like me has some difficulty grabbing hold of the Democratic platform.

Democrats always seem to be afraid they are going to do something to help the rich. You keep saying that eliminating the death tax

would only benefit the rich and that the government can't afford it.

What do you have against rich people, Mr. Gephardt? Lot of rich people provide a lot of jobs for those common Americans you are always talking about. Rich Americans are Americans too.

Wasn't it Russia that didn't like rich people either? Didn't the commie pinkos believe in redistribution of wealth like you do? I forget.

I believe I read that your goal is to be Speaker of the House and that is why you need the Demos to take back the House. I sure don't blame you for turning down Al Gore's offer to be his vice-president. I can't stand the guy either.

So take me off your Democratic mail list. I won't be sending you any money because I hope all Democrats lose all elections. Nothing personal, I just don't like the way you guys think.

My future is shorter than it used to be, but I dread leaving the future of my kids and grandkids in the hands of you Democrats.

My talented 11-year-old son Zachary wrote a poem for one of his classes at Washington Jackson School in Wichita Falls. The title of his work is The Future. This is what he wrote:

THE FUTURE

The future is something we don't know
Like how or when the wind will blow
It is our creation, moreover
Look at the past and you it will pass over.

For if you stare into the depths of dark
You will miss the future, our big theme park

The future is a place we are creating
But how we use it can be very debating

It is a place we will spend our life

It is a place with very much strife

The future is a place we cannot search

But the future, that we cannot smirch.

If in the future we do delay
We will end up in a big relay
The future watches as if a hawk

And into the future we will walk.

Mr. Gephardt, I hope I can help keep your Democratic clutches off my son Zach's future. And all the other kids like him with equally bright futures.

Right now he has a lot to look forward to. His potential is unlimited.

Unless you Democrats take it all away.

Sincerely,
Ron Carr
Friona, Texas

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DEADLINE for classified advertising in Saturday's issue--Wednesday noon.

Check advertisement and report any error immediately. The Star is not responsible for error after ad has already run once.

All classified ads are CASH in ADVANCE. Only legal notices or continuous running ads will be billed. All other ads must be paid in full before they will be published.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 Billy B. Sides, WM

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FOR SALE.....1995 Suburban navy/tan; leather interior; \$16,500. Call 250-2210. F&B-tfnc-6/9

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Local non-profit agency seeks executive director with proven management experience. If you have a successful fund raising record, understanding of financial management, computer skills, human resources experience and community relations skills, you should consider applying. The chapter manager works under the direction of an all volunteer board and accomplishes work through a cadre of service volunteers, as well as a small paid staff, to provide a variety of community services. Programs range from disaster relief to emergency communications to CPR and first aid. The ideal candidate will be effective at leading an effort to increase the organization's profile, community awareness and funding level. Interested individuals should send a current resume with salary requirements to Roger Fields, Chairman Tri-County Chapter, P.O. Box 1371, Hereford, TX 79045 By August 20, 2000.

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- 3 BR, 2 baths, 2 car, corner lot, close to High School.....SOLD.....\$58,000
- 2 BR, 2-1/2 BA, brick home, ex. storage, cellar reduced.....\$59,760
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- 4 BR, 1 bath, 2 car, plus 3 carport, corner lot, cellar.....\$38,000
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FOR SALE....Cook stove, almost new, ceramic top, large oven. Phone 250-2881, 1617 W. 10th. F-2tc-7/14-7/21

HELP WANTED

The Service Cafe at the Excel Plant in Friona is now accepting applications for all positions! Starting at \$7.00/hr. apply at the Excel Plant in Friona. F-tfnc-6/2

IMMEDIATE OPENING: Full-time position in radio advertising sales. Apply in person at KPAN or mail resume to: KPAN AM-FM, Box 1757, Hereford, Tx. 79045. EOE. F-1tc-7/21

HELP WANTED...Sales personnel wanted for the Friona area. Phone 1-806-373-7722, ask for Joe Ennis. F-4tc-7/7-7/14-7/21-7/28

LOST & FOUND

MISSING FROM north of Friona. Red Shorthorn heifer, 600-700 lbs. Call 250-3871 or 250-3638. Dale Hart. tfnp

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Parmer County Commissioners Court is currently accepting bids for the purchase of one (1) new Motor Grader for use in Precinct #1. Bids must be brought or mailed to Bonnie J. Clayton, County Judge, at 401 Third Street, Room 104, P.O. Box 506, Farwell, Texas 79325, to be received no later than 10:00 A.M., Monday, August 14, 2000, at which time bids will be considered. Please include an original and four (4) copies in your bid packet.

A copy of the bid specifications is on file at the County Judge's Office.

The equipment to be considered for Trade-In or For Sale is one (1) John Deere 770CH Road Grader Serial Number 561169.

Bids must reflect the total cost of the equipment.

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

By order of the Parmer County Commissioners Court, Bonnie J. Clayton, County Judge. F&B-2tc-7/21-7/28

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Copies of the plans and specifications and contract documents may be purchased from Oller Engineering, Inc., 2517 74th Street, Lubbock, Texas, 79423, for Fifty dollars (\$50).

THE CITY OF FRIONA, TEXAS

By: Paula Wilson, City Manager
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FRIONA/BOVINA DEVOTIONAL PAGE

515 *Facts About The* **BIBLE** BY JOHN LEHTI

This is a dramatized version of facts taken from the Book of Genesis intending to show some of the customs of these ancient and traditional times.

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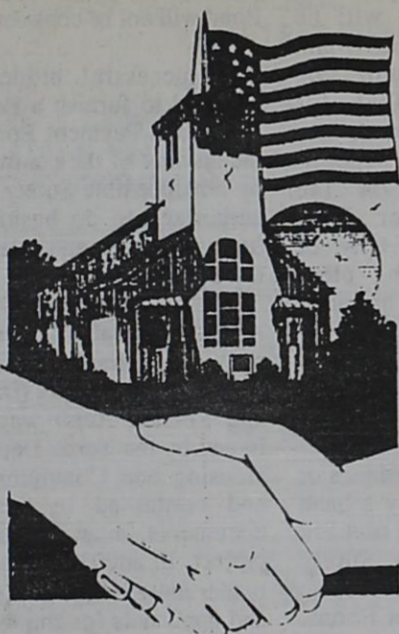
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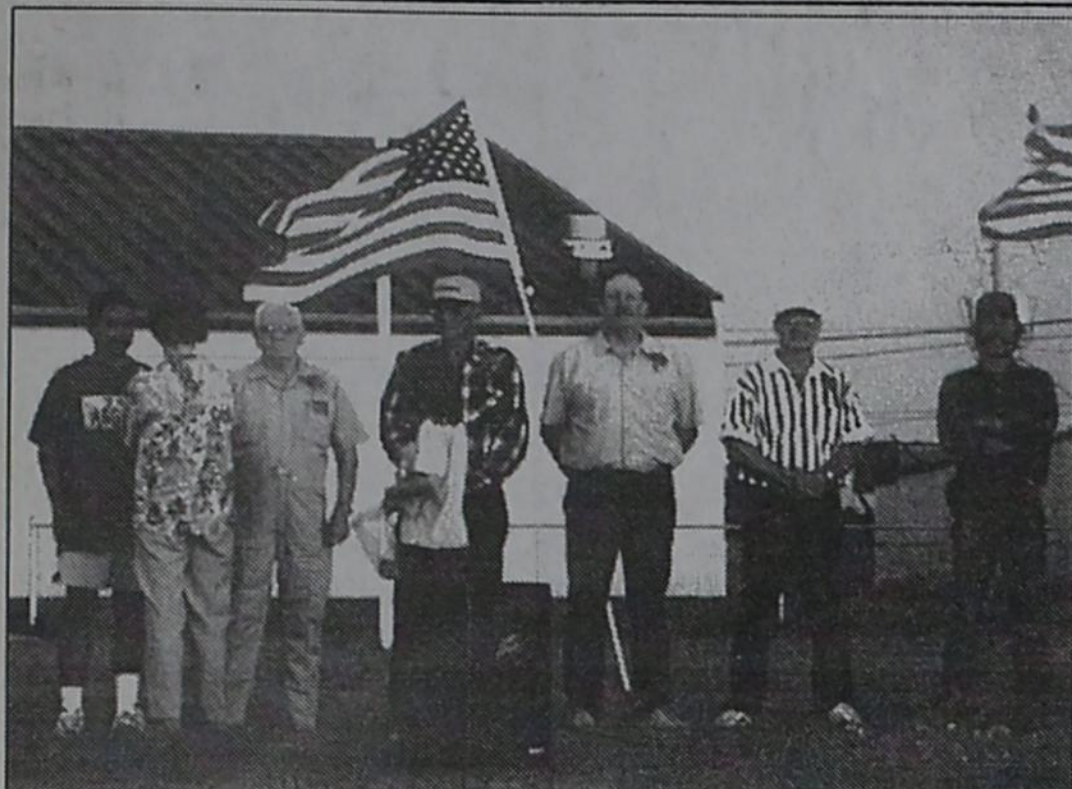
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 For corrections or to add a name to our birthday list, call 238-1523 (leave message) or write Drawer B, 79009.

Kirkpatrick's Have New Baby Girl

Corey and Misty Kirkpatrick of Flower Mound, Texas, are the new parents of a baby girl, Taylor Layne, born Monday, July 10 at 7:43 p.m. at Los Colinas Medical Center in Irving. She weighed eight pounds and was twenty and one half inches long.
 Taylor's grandparents are Daryl and Karen Kirkpatrick of Bovina, Roene Stewart of Lubbock and Ricky Stewart of Farwell.
 Her great-grandparents are Lily Behrenden of Clovis, Neil and Betty Stewart of Farwell and Tom and Elaine Hensley of Tosten, Montana.



Bovina Bits

BY BECKY

Phone Becky London at 806-238-1146
 When you have news items

Jack and Alma Clayton's niece, Kim Puckett, 41, of Lazbuddie, was buried Monday after a two year battle with Leukemia. She leaves a husband, Ronnie, and three kids ranging in age from early teens to early twenties. Jack and her dad, Wendell Clayton, are brothers.

Les & Rose McCain went to Valencia, California recently to see their sons, daughter-in-law two and grandchildren. They saw their new grandson, Mac, who is two months old, for the first time. They also enjoyed granddaughter, Gus, who will be three in November. Little Mac and Gus' parents are Butch and Betty.

Butch and Betty cooked-out for the McCains almost each day and they stayed with their other son, Ben, at his apartment each night. Ben took them sight-seeing during the five days they spent there. A definite highlight of their visit was when the trio took a 75 minute boat ride to tour Catalina Island. Rose said it was really beautiful.

A.L. and Sue Nuttall spent May and June at their ranch outside of Pierre, South Dakota. While there they fished for walleye on the Missouri river and visited with his mother, Lucille of Onida, who is in her early 80's.

A.L.'s cousin and his wife, Leroy and Kay Nuttall of Amherst drove up and stayed with the couple for awhile and enjoyed the area. Sue said the weather was mild and the scenery was beautiful.

Carolyn and Jack Rains' granddaughter, Lindsey Pruitt, has been in Amelia, Ohio, with her aunt and uncle, Lorrie and Gary Moczulski, and their two daughters for a month. She then went to Dallas and visited with her uncle and aunt, Steve and Francelle Pruitt.

The Pruitts took her to Texas City and she has been staying with former Bovina First Baptist Church minister and family, Richard and Velma Grisham and daughter, Julie. Carolyn said Lindsey may stay in Texas City for her senior year of high school.

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Jack and Carolyn Rains went to his all-school reunion at Post High School at the first of July. Jack graduated in 1957--43 years ago--and joined about 260 of his former classmates.

About every three years the school has the reunion and Jack and Carolyn said they had a great time.

Veda McKay's brother, Clifford Osburn, 81, of Amarillo passed away recently. He had suffered from several strokes and other medical problems in the last few months. Mr. Osburn was a farmer around Canyon.

We got an address change request this week from former Bovinan Ovid Lawless. He moved from Lubbock to El Paso recently.

Several people asked about my parents this week. My mother, Wanda Norris, had a heart valve replacement last Thursday morning and a by-pass. She came through the surgery just great. She was having trouble with an irregular heart beat but doctors "shocked" her heart Wednesday afternoon and she has a steady rhythm now.

My dad, Richard, is doing okay. He misses my mother

not being home with him. Hospice comes and checks on him and makes sure he is comfortable. He is suffering from the lung disease, COPD.

My son, Ty and I went to Odessa last Wednesday and stayed until Sunday evening. We stayed with my sister and her family, Ruby and Randy Hamilton and their children, Garry and Brooklyn. Ty had

lots of fun with the other kids. Ruby and I would take turns watching the kids while the other would go stay with my mom at the hospital. We also visited some with my sister, Robyn Norris. She is doing great and really misses Bovina.

I would love to hear from anyone who has either had a valve replacement or knows someone who has one.

Rites Held Monday For Lazbuddie Woman, 41

Services for Kim Puckett, 41, of Lazbuddie were held Monday, July 17, at First Baptist Church of Lazbuddie with minister Nathan Crawford of Lazbuddie Church of Christ and the Rev. Doug Chapman, pastor of First United Methodist Church in Lubbock, officiating.

Burial was in Lazbuddie Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home of Muleshoe.

She died Friday, July 14, 2000, in Houston.

She was born May 13, 1959, in Amherst. She married Ronnie Puckett on February 2, 1978, in Earth. She was a resident of Lazbuddie for the past 22

years, moving from Earth. Mrs. Puckett worked for the Olton Public School System as a business administrator. She was a member of the Lazbuddie Church of Christ.

Survivors include her husband; two sons, Justin of Lubbock and Cory of Lazbuddie; a daughter, Michell of Lazbuddie; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Clayton, of Earth; two sisters, Lisa Van Cleave of Abilene, DeAnne Taylor of Shallowater; and a brother, Allen Clayton of Tuttle, Oklahoma.

The family suggests memorials to the Lazbuddie School Scholarship Fund, c/o Lazbuddie ISD, P.O. Box 10, Lazbuddie 79053.

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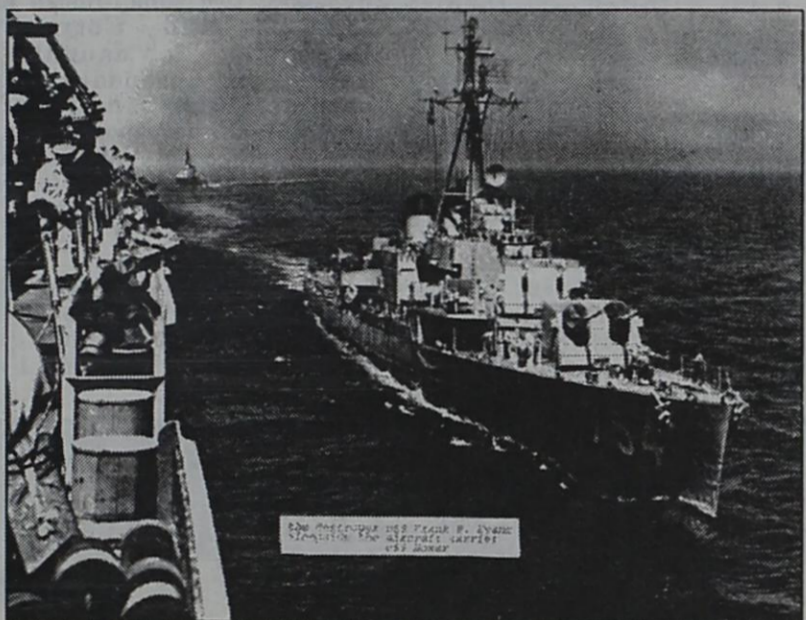
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Friona Navy Man Recalls Near-Death Experience



JOE BOB & DALE MANN during their visit to Australia in 1999 to attend the 30th Reunion and Memorial Service of the Melbourne-Evans accident. Joe Bob says his uniform from his naval service, 1969-1973, still fits.



DD-754 designates the destroyer USS Frank E. Evans, shown alongside the aircraft carrier USS Boxer in a Navy Photo. (See Mann Story)

(Joe Bob Mann of Friona survived a collision at sea on June 3, 1969 during his enlistment in the U. S. Navy. The first part of his story was in last week's Bovina Blade.)

He shipped out often during his South Carolina service but this time instead of the South China Sea, he patrolled mostly in the Caribbean and East Coast areas.

Joe Bob and Dale came back to Friona in June, 1974. He went to work as a mechanic for Reeve Chevrolet. Son Steven Paul arrived July 2, 1975, also delivered by Dr. Paul Spring.

Dale Mann received her college degree from West Texas State University (WTA&M) in 1984 and her masters degree in 1990. She has taught elementary reading for eight years and now teaches English and English as a Second Language (ESL) at Friona junior high where she also is the student council sponsor.

Joe Bob has been employed at Stowers Shop in Friona since 1990. Both Joe Bob and Dale are active in the local VFW Post and Joe Bob has served as chairman of the local United Way.

They are also members of the USS Frank E. Evans Association, an organization of all veterans who have served on the Evans since it was commissioned in 1945. They will be attending an Evans Association meeting in Denver in September.

In June, 1999, the 30th anniversary of the Melbourne-Evans accident, members of the Melbourne Association hosted about 60 Evans Association members in Australia for a memorial service. Joe Bob and Dale attended the ceremonies and reunion, visiting old friends and touring many of the sites of Australia.

The captain of the



ONBOARD THE USS KEARSARGE in June 1969, Joe Bob Mann is being transported to Subic Bay, Philippines, with survivors of the Melbourne-Evans collision.

Melbourne, J. P. "Steve" Stevenson, has attended many of the Evans Association meetings in the U. S. and was on hand for the 30th anniversary in Australia.

Neither Lt. Ramsey nor Commander McLemore have attended any of the Evans reunions.

None of the collision survivors received medals or recognition by the U. S. Navy. Although it happened during the Vietnam War, none of the U. S. sailors who died are included on the Vietnam Memorial in Washington, D.C.

A dispute continues over where the ship sank. The RAN says the accident happened in Vietnamese waters, while the U. S. contends the ships were in Philippine waters and therefore the men on board did not technically die in the Vietnam War.

In taking a long look back, Joe Bob says the ships and planes in the maneuvers were fully armed and on alert. They all thought they were in the war too.

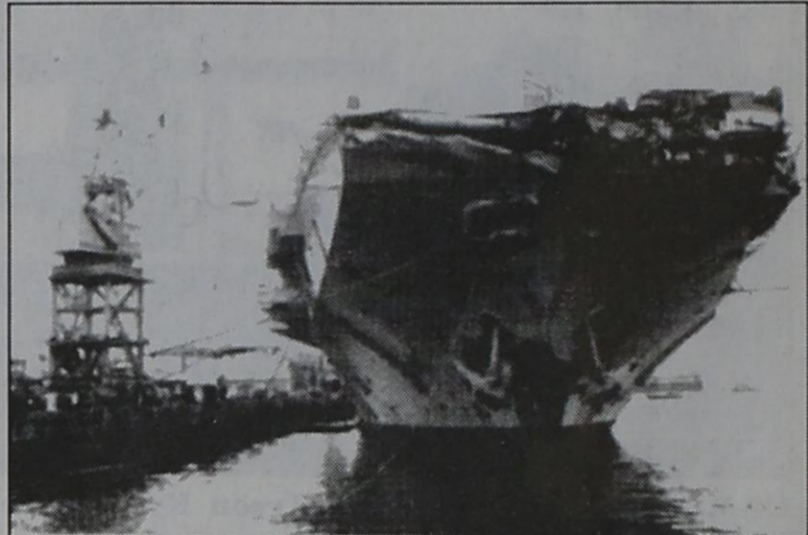
Either way, many friends, family and customers have been blessed because Joe Bob Mann was on the half that didn't sink.

High Speed Chase Ends In Friona

(Continued From Page 1)

Police Department on Tuesday interviewing the pair. They told Chief Geries that Padilla and George had admitted to several burglaries in Clovis.

Geries commended Officer Herrera for his actions and subsequent capture of the suspects. "Joe did a good job," Geries said. "The suspects almost wrecked the truck by hitting a light pole and Joe's actions helped avoid a more serious situation. He also recovered a citizen's truck before it got too far away and cleared up many crimes in the Clovis area."



DAMAGE TO the Australian aircraft carrier Melbourne after its collision with the USS Evans, June 3, 1969.

(Photos courtesy Dale and Joe Bob Mann)

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