

## Bull Town Days 'Ready To Roll'

Plans for the annual Bull Town Days celebration, August 14 and 15 are being finalized, according to sources from the Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture.

According to the schedule, on Friday, August 14, there will be a Fashion Show, held in the Senior

Citizens Building, which will be sponsored by the Brownsabout. It will begin at 6 p.m.

At 8 p.m. on August 14, there will be a Rodeo, which will be sponsored by the Bovina Roping Club and it will be held in the Bovine Roping Arena.

On the following morning,

Saturday, August 15, a Chuck Wagon Breakfast will be held in the City Park, starting at 6 a.m.

Following the breakfast, there will be an American Quarterhorse Association Show, sponsored by the Roping Club, which will start at 10

a.m. and be held in the Roping Arena.

The Old Timers Luncheon will be held on Saturday at noon, and will be held at the Senior Citizens Building and the Bovina Women's Study Club will serve as hostesses for the affair.

At 4 p.m., the Bull Town Days Parade will be kicked off and several more entries have come in, according to Suezy Smith.

The Shriners Motorcade and Marching Band will be featured and the Corvette Club of Clovis will also be present.

Leading the parade will be the Color Guard of Cannon Air Force

Base, Clovis, N.M. and there will be floats from the Young Homemakers, who will feature the Little Miss Contest winners on their float, First Baptist Church, Bovina Roping Club and some of the school organizations, including the FHA chapter, and either the National Honor Society or the Student Council.

Other activities following the parade include a barbecue dinner on the City Park grounds beginning at 5 p.m.

Chairman Billy J. Charles, of the food committee, says that they are geared up and ready. His group will

begin cooking the barbecue Friday, August 14 at about 1 p.m. for the dinner the following day.

The meal will consist of barbecued beef, home cooked beans, peppers, pickles, onions and possibly cantaloupe, but Charles says they have yet to get the fruit. The charge per person per plate will be \$2.00.

Following the barbecue meal, there will be a High School Rodeo which will be held in the Bovina Roping Arena and a softball tournament which started August 13 will continue throughout Bull Town Days. It will be sponsored by the Bovina Jaycees.

### BTD Parade Plans Given

Final plans for the parade and the designated spots in the parade for the contestants have been settled, according to chairman Suezy Smith.

Another important note, is that all children who are intending to ride their bikes in the parade should show up at the Fire Station at 3:30 p.m. on Saturday with their bikes already decorated as they will be judged at that time. There will be first, second and third place winners in the bike decorating contest.

All of the contestants who want to be considered in the parade should show up at the Fire Station to be placed in order at 3:30 p.m. on Saturday.

Erith Hawkins has been named as Parade Marshal and his sons, Daryl and Chet, will escort Erith and will carry the colors.

The lineup for the parade and the designated spots are as follows: John Detten will lead off the parade, and he will be followed by the fire truck which will sound its sirens to clear the streets. Then, Parade Marshal Hawkins and his escort will follow and the Cannon A.F.B. Color Guard of Clovis will be next.

Following the color guard will be the Marching Shriners Band and they will be followed by the Shriners' Motorcade.

After the Shriners will be the Model T Club of Eastern New Mexico, with Jack Carr acting as

supervisor for the group, followed by the First Baptist Church float and Preston Nix, advisor.

The Bovina Ambulance will roll behind the church float and then the Junior High cheerleaders will follow the ambulance.

Agri-Sprayers will be next in the lineup and their float will feature a trailer for the children who want to be in the parade with their tricycles.

After them will be the FHA float and then the Corvette Club of Clovis will be next, followed by the Bovina High School twirlers.

The Bovina Young Homemakers will sponsor a float on which the Little Miss Contest winners will appear with motorcycles and bikes following.

The Bovina High School cheerleaders will be next in line followed by the Classic Car entries.

Friona Motors will feature new cars, as will Doc Stewart of Clovis and Don Crow Pontiac of Clovis.

Following the new car entries will be antique cars followed by the Border Town Days Queen.

Next will be the riding club entrants followed by individual equestrian entries and more floats.

Marie's Used Values, Bovina Blade, Chamber of Commerce, Jim Zehner and his hang glider, which will be anchored, will be appearing at the end of the parade which will be concluded by officer Robert Olvera in a patrol car.

### FOR BULL TOWN DAYS

## Junior Rodeo Slated Here Friday, Saturday

The Bovina Jaycees will be sponsoring a High Plains Junior Rodeo Association Rodeo on Friday and Saturday nights, beginning at 7 p.m. each night.

This is a HPJRA-sanctioned event with points and standards for grading being used.

Participants for the rodeo will come from as far as Albuquerque and others towns include the local towns of Bovina, Friona, Farwell, Clovis, Portales, Muleshoe, Lovington, Umbarger, Vaughn and Corona, N.M.

The High Plains Junior Rodeo Association was set up twelve years ago in order to allow youngsters, ages 5-19, to participate in rodeo events without the extensive travel which the Tri-State circuit demands of them. Most of the participating towns are in a 150-mile radius of Clovis and therefore there is no overnight stays on this tour.

The rodeos for the HPJRA are held in summer and do not conflict with school.

Requirements to be a participant in the association include being no older than 19 as of January 1 of any given year and must be in good standing with or have graduated in good standing from high school.

Contractor for the bucking stock in this year's rodeo will be Charlie Thompson of Lubbock. Sam Jenkins of Texico will provide the steers for the roping events and Marcum Chadwick of Farwell will provide the calves also in the roping class.

Jim Tucker of Friona will serve as the announcer.

Jim Hodnett of Maple will serve as clown and he is bringing others with him.

Bob Sparks and Gary Carson serve on the Board of Directors for the High Plains Junior Rodeo

Association and Gary has served as coordinator for the Bull Town Days rodeo.

The finals of the HPJRA participants will be held in Farwell August 28 and 29.

Awards for the rodeos held in conjunction with the HPJRA have been paid for by donation and by advertisers.

Also on tap, after the rodeo Saturday night is a country western dance which will take place immediately after the rodeo in the arena.

Playing for the dance will be Ozone Express from Clovis. The admission at the gate at the start of the rodeo will be \$2.00 per person and then it will go up to \$3.00 after the rodeo is over.

The Jaycees will also be sponsoring the dance as well as it should get started about 11:30 p.m. or so.

### COMPANY BUILT ON SERVICE

## Sherley Grain Traces Its Origin To 1947

By JANET WILKE

With "service is the only thing we can offer" as his business philosophy, Gabe D. (Penny) Anderson, Jr. started his business here in Bovina in 1947.

Anderson, and his partners, W.M. "Bill" Sherley and J.A. Pitman built the Sherley-Anderson Elevator in the city and it is now a six million bushel facility.

The original elevator stands across from the existing office and behind four tanks. Its original capacity was 200,000 bushels and, when it was built, it was the largest elevator in this part of the country.

At six million bushels, it is just a tad under the capacity of the elevator at Lariat, which holds a little over six million bushels, according to Anderson.

Gabe Anderson, Jr. came to Bovina after a stint in the Army and became partners with the other two gentlemen, after he took his father's place in the business transaction. Originally, Gabe Anderson, Sr. was to have been a partner, but he decided to have his son take over the business instead.

So, in 1947, the elevator opened its bins for business.

Also in 1947, the largest dryland wheat crop to ever be made in Parmer County came in and the new elevator got a rousing good start its first season.

The reason the partners decided upon Bovina as the site of the elevator was due, primarily, to the fact that it was centrally located in the county. That way, farmers from Lazbuddie, Lariat, Friona and Farwell could bring their harvests the same distance.

It was originally thought that the elevator would be in Friona, but the partners decided that, for some farmers, the drive would be too far.

The Bovina elevator was the first one for the Sherley-Anderson-Pitman partnership, and their business association would bring about the biggest change in the grain industry to come in Parmer County and possibly to the grain producers in Texas.

After the building of the Bovina plant, the men then purchased the Henderson Elevator at Lariat in 1952, and began to renovate the elevator, then in 1954 built the elevator in Farwell, and later, in 1962, the Lazbuddie Elevator was built.

Rhea was the next community whose livelihood was changed by Sherley-Anderson-Pitman, when the men built an elevator there in 1963 and Texico, N.M. was the last site for the newest Sherley-Anderson-Pitman Elevator, when an elevator was bought from the Lovelaces and restored.

At present count, and according to Grain Age Magazine, in which an article on the Sherley-Anderson-Pitman plants was published, the

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facilities can now hold up to 17.3 million bushels of grain in the six elevators combined.

The Bovina plant was expanded twice to accommodate the grain influx when irrigation came to this area in 1947.

The first expansion was in 1950 when four more tanks were built, and then in 1960, when the Hex House was built.

When the elevator first started business, the owners never dreamed that times could be both so good and so bad. In the summer of 1947, all the stops were pulled out and the biggest dryland wheat crop to ever hit Parmer County came in, and then farmers made enough money to get into irrigated farming. Then, that's when the real boom came on. So, the owners were sent back to their drawing boards looking for ways to enlarge and expand their operation. This is when the other S-A-P Elevators began springing up over the country.

But the business has changed over the course of time. When the elevator first opened in 1947, Anderson said that they were strictly merchandisers, with most of the grain going into CCC loans. This made the grain hard to get at since it was under government control. But now, all grain is bought each year.

Gabe Anderson joined the Sherley-Pitman partnership after his Army career, and after he graduated from Texas A&M University, with a degree in marketing and finance.

He was married and fathered two sons, David, 33, of Lazbuddie, and John Hilliard, who died in an automobile accident in 1954. Anderson's wife also died in the accident. He later re-married and he and his wife, Anita, live in Bovina.

Gabe Anderson, Jr. grew up in Farwell and graduated from Farwell High school. His father still resides there.

As a businessman, Gabe has been very successful, but he says that the most enjoyable part of his business is getting to know the people. "When everyone is doing well, we feel good, and we also feel poorly when they are down and out."

He gave us a personality sketch on the two men with whom he was partners for years, Bill Sherley and John Pitman.

"Both of these guys were really great men. John Pitman died in 1959, and his family got out of the business and I bought their share. But John was a good businessman, and a good man. Bill Sherley was one of the nicest people anyone could have ever known. He died in 1976. He did so much for this area of the country and fought so hard for the school at Lazbuddie and for that community. Bill always called Lazbuddie home.

He was proud to be from there. We decided to put the elevators where the crops were, so that is why there are elevators in Lazbuddie, Rhea, Bovina and all the others. But, both of the other men who were owners of the elevators were really of the pioneer spirit. They began an elevator at Bovina when they were not even sure they could fill it up."

But, they filled it up and several times over.

Anderson said, however, that business has its ups and downs, but he's glad that he decided to give up a career in the Army as an instructor to do this.

At the present time, fifteen people are employed by the Bovina elevator year round. The total number of employees for the complex is 38. Can you imagine that only 38 employees can manage a complex the size of the six Sherley-Anderson-Pitman Elevators in Bovina, Lazbuddie, Lariat, Farwell, Rhea and Texico? That seems almost inconceivable.

There may not be but a few of you who do not know the workings of an elevator, and I must confess that I did not. I had spent the past 25 years living around them and never knew exactly what went on. Gabe Anderson was nice enough to explain the operation to me. "Well, the grains are elevated to the head house and then the grain is put on a

conveyor belt and carried to the large bins, where it is stored until someone buys it. Usually an exporter will buy the grain."

Anderson said that most of the area farmers use the elevator, and up until the elevator at Lazbuddie was built, many farmers from that area came to Bovina to bring their grain.

The elevator stores almost any grain-like crop, but mostly corn, or wheat, occasionally soybeans.

Anderson said that he feels that this is a crucial time for area farmers and that if something is not done on their behalf, many farmers will be in serious trouble. The rising cost of energy, the lower profits being obtained for their crops are all factors in the farmer's plight. Anderson is worried and he hopes that Reagan's economic programs will indeed boost the farm economy, as well as the nation's.

"Unless something is done to help the farmers, we will all be in trouble."

Gabe made a very true statement, but we feel that as long as he can maintain his business philosophy of "offering the best service we can render," there will never be a shortage of customers for his business.

For in a world where sometimes it seems that service is a thing of the past, Sherley-Anderson-Pitman has built their reputation on service.



## Services Held Tuesday For Antonia Baca

Antonia Baca, 75, died August 8 at 10:50 p.m. at the Southwest Osteopathic Hospital, Amarillo. Services were held Tuesday at St. Ann's Catholic Church, Bovina, at 10:30 a.m.

Father Ronald McGovern officiated at the services. Burial was in Bovina Cemetery under the direction of Parsons-Ellis Funeral Home.

She had lived in Bovina since 1919, moving there from Reuelito, New Mexico. She was married to Fidel Baca January 3, 1931 in Clovis, N.M. and was a member of St. Ann's Catholic Church.

Survivors are her husband, Fidel of Bovina; two sons, John Baca of Friona and George Baca of Amarillo; one daughter, Mrs. Mary Rose Brito of Bovina; one sister, Mrs. Frances Luniz of Austin; eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.



ANTONIA BACA

Pallbearers were Dennis Brito, Rory Brito, Tom Duran, Clarence Duran, T. B. Baca and Joe Brito.



CHARLIE GRAY

## Charlie Gray's Services Held In Bovina

Charlie Gray, 97, died August 9 at 8:55 p.m. in Parmer County Community Hospital, Friona.

Services were held Tuesday at 3 p.m. in the First Baptist Church of Bovina. Officiating were Rev. J.L. Bass and Cecil Bunch. Burial was in Bovina Cemetery under the direction of Parsons-Ellis Funeral Home.

He had lived in Bovina since 1926 moving there from Duncan, Oklahoma. He was married to Carrie Lou Huffman May 21, 1905 in Millwood, Texas, who preceded him in death in 1972. He was engaged in farming and was a member of the First Baptist Church of Bovina.

Survivors are one son, Lawrence Gray of Bovina; one daughter, Mrs. Annie Belle Savage of Clovis; one sister, Mrs. Lela Blalock of Marlow, Oklahoma; one brother, Theodore Gray of Danby, California.

Pallbearers were Buck Ellison, James Williams, Eldon McCormick, Henry Davis, Gene Ezell and Billy Smith.

## City Board Meets Here

The Board of Equalization for the City of Bovina, Texas will meet Wednesday, August 29 in the Bovina City Hall.

All citizens having business with the Board are asked to be present at the meeting.

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# REFLECTIONS From The Blade

### 25 YEARS AGO--AUGUST 8, 1956

Approximately \$4500 worth of remodeling is being done on a wooden frame building located at the south end of Bovina High School's football field. The improvements will change the former classroom building into a "nice" fieldhouse for athletic teams.

The much planned and discussed curbs and gutters for Highway 60 are being put in. Construction on the improvements for the main route through Bovina began the middle of last week.

Sixteen new barrels of storage space are being added to the Sherley Grain Company's storage space, Harry Johnson, employee of the elevator, announces. The barrels will be 24 feet across. The addition will increase the elevator's storage capacity by almost one third, or one million bushels. Construction of 200,000 bushels of storage space for Bovina Wheat Growers is scheduled to begin the latter part of this week. The new building will be located between the present concrete structure and the office.

### 20 YEARS AGO--AUGUST 9, 1961

Construction began this week on installation of water and sewer lines in an area west of south Eighth Street and south of Highway 84 in Bovina. The facilities are being installed for Ridgelea, Bovina's proposed housing development.

The "Golden Triangle" is the name that Roy Cowsert, mayor of Hereford, has proposed for Deaf Smith, Parmer and Castro counties. These three counties are "the garden spot of the nation," Cowsert told a gathering at a recent meeting of the Hereford Rotary Club, and "much can be accomplished through a combined effort in promoting the area."

### 15 YEARS AGO--AUGUST 10, 1966

A hailstorm Sunday afternoon in some areas around Bovina "wiped out" several hundred acres of cotton and vegetables and severely damaged the grain sorghum crop. The storm,

which was accompanied by high winds and more than an inch of rain, evidently started west of Bovina in the Pleasant Hill area.

Preparing for a new schedule in a new classification in a new district, the Bovina Mustangs began practice for the 1966 football season Monday afternoon. The team will be preparing for its first year of competition in Class A.

### 10 YEARS AGO--AUGUST 11, 1971

Rain, the good soil-soaking, farmer-pleasing, slow-falling kind, totaled two and one-half inches here Saturday night.

A new track for Bovina Schools is one of the goals of the Bovina Mustang Club members who were

collecting contributions from individuals this week. A total of \$950 had been raised by Monday afternoon. Cost of the track is expected to be about \$5,000.

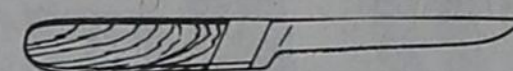
### 5 YEARS AGO--AUGUST 11, 1976

Lou Nuttall, news editor and editor of the Blade since 1970, has resigned the position effective Monday, August 23. After a vacation, she plans to "probably help my husband during corn harvest" but has made no future plans.

A gala grand opening sale begins tomorrow at Bovina Supermarket and Family Center, as the business celebrates moving into its beautiful new quarters on the Dimmitt Highway.

## Blade's Edge

Commentary From The Editor



By Janet Wilke

After a week in Colorado, I really think that there is no place like home. Don't get the wrong impression....I really do like Colorado, but there is just something about being around home folks and being able to do as you please, when you please, that appeals to me.

Anyhow, I am glad to be back, and I hope that you enjoyed a week away from my writing. Bill Ellis and Scooter Russell did an excellent job and I never worried a minute that they would do otherwise.

While I was in Colorado, I did have one anxious moment, however. I was sitting in a motel lobby in Denver when a couple came in to register and following them were a couple of black men. Well, it seems as though the two black men wanted to hold up the joint, and did.

I was ordered to get over by the cashier, and then the four of us (cashier, me, and the white couple who had come in to get a room) were all then ordered to get on the floor.

The robbers ordered us to count to ten and not move or they would blow our heads off. Well, I was as still as a rock. They took about \$1,000 from the motel and the couple combined, and I did not have any money on me so they just ignored me, thankfully.

I want you to know, I was really hoping that if I had to go, it would be at least in my home state....

Bull Town Days is really here. It doesn't seem possible. After all of the work and time which has been poured into this project, I hope that the weather cooperates. Some of the local farmers might not agree, however. I at least hope that it stays sunny for the parade.

It was sad to hear that former Parmer County Sheriff Charlie Lovelace passed away. He served this county and its people long and well. He will be missed in law enforcement circles and within the county as well. Our sympathies go out to his family.

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# Scooper's Scoops

By Scooter Russell

No need to go to the mountains with cool temperatures and nice softly falling rains...We've had it all this week in Bovina. Had good showers during the week, on Saturday afternoon and rained most of Sunday night.

**NEWS AROUND TOWN...**

Tom and Skeet Caldwell have recently visited their son John. John had been living in Colorado but has moved to Oklahoma City where he is associated with Spaulding and Slye Brokerage and Construction Corporation.

Kay and Radford Venable have had company visiting during the past week. Kay's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard McElwany of Amarillo visited last Tuesday and Wednesday.

Sandra Mejia of Memphis, Texas has been visiting her sister and brother-in-law, Esther and Joe Steelman. She has been here two weeks and will be leaving at the end of this week.

Al Kerby, his son Al and his wife Susan and their son Jason spent a few days in Tres Ritos, New Mexico. They went a week ago last Thursday.

Last week Jason Kerby spent the week with his aunt and uncle, Paula and Joe Tarter of Lazbuddie.

Jim and Margie Grounds and their sons, Chad and Eric of Houston came to Bovina last Tuesday and visited with friends, Daryl and Karen Kirkpatrick and their family. The Grounds returned to their home in Houston Thursday.

I talked with Nettie Lee Wilson and she said husband Joe came home from the hospital Saturday. Joe spent a couple of days in the Friona hospital and a week ago he was hospitalized in Amarillo High Plains Baptist Hospital until he was released Saturday. Nettie Lee said they thought his problems could be corrected with medication.

We want to congratulate Tim and Judy James on the birth of their new baby girl, Amy Judith, who was born last Friday. She has an older brother, two-year-old Joshua. Also congratulations to the Floyd Englands, who are Bovina grandparents, and Bessie Webb, who is great-grandmother.

Amy also has a grandmother, Marsha Casey of San Antonio.

Our deepest sympathies to the family of Charlie Gray who passed away Sunday. Charlie was survived by one son Lawrence and a daughter AnnaBelle of Clovis, New Mexico.

Charlie lived in Bovina for many years. Looking back over the years we all remember Charlie as being a very humorous fine gentleman and everyone loved him.

Nelline Spicer, daughter Kay of Farwell and her daughter Kristi went a week ago Sunday to Boswell, Oklahoma and visited Nelline's mother, Nell Gordon; her son and his wife, Marty and Audrey of Mesquite; her sister and brother-in-law and Adele and John Anderson of Dallas. They returned home last Sunday.

Erma Jo Englant and her daughter Devanee have recently returned home from visiting the Englant's daughter Carissa; her husband, Don Caillouet and their son Donnie of Menomonic, Wisconsin. They also visited Erma Jo's son Bobby Wayne. They flew to Wisconsin July 25 and returned home August 8.

Leonard and Mary Louise Jacobs have been enjoying a visit with their daughter and son-in-law, Sheila and Buddie Clements and son Sean of Lubbock. The Clements have also visited with Buddie's parents, Jimmie and Gwen.

Herman and Mardee Grissom have had their sons and families visiting in their home: Larry and Pat of Houston NASA and their son Justin; Don and Doris of Amarillo and their son Cole; and Chip Grissom of Bovina. Mardee said the men had gone fishing and the ladies and grandchildren were with her.

Penny Lawlis of Amarillo has been in Bovina with her mother and father, Freida and Buck Lloyd. Freida said Penny had been helping with the canning.

Grandchildren visiting recently with the Lloyd's were: Colin Gayle, Mary Lloyd and Rick O'Hair, all of Amarillo. Also visiting were Mike and Shane Lloyd of Canadian. Mike and Shane also visited their other grandmother, Helen Mazurek. In fact, Freida said they had spent most of their time at Helen's building a tree house.

Jim and Jan Heard have had lots of company this summer. Jan's sister Glenna Davis, her daughter Debbie and Glenna's granddaughter Amy of Tulsa visited and Jan's sister-in-law, Vernetta Allen and her mother of Jaton were also visiting.

Week before last the Heards and Jan's sister Glenna made a trip to Ruidoso for a few fun days.

Sunday night the family went to Plainview and had dinner with Jan's

two brothers, Leo and Warren Mathis and their families.

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## Style Show

### To Be Held On August 14

In conjunction with Bull Town Days, Furne Harris of the Brownsabout has announced that there will be a Fall and Back to School Style Show, sponsored by the Brownsabout on August 14 in the Senior Citizens Building.

The annual affair will give local patrons a look at fall and back to school fashions and will begin at 6 p.m. on that Friday.

Mrs. Harris said there will be admission charged, but it will be taken by the Senior Citizens organization, who will be furnishing pie and coffee at the show.

At intermission there will be a program given by the Bovina Young Homemakers and all persons are urged to come out and enjoy the show.

Door prizes will be awarded.

## Hospital Report

**ADMISSIONS--**

Reyes Estrada, Friona; Betty Fritz, Friona; Maria E. Perez and baby girl, Friona; Joe Black, Jr., Bovina; Michael Estrada, Hereford; Elena Guerra, Friona; Lina Padilla Friona; Martha Clements, Friona; Alex Almanza, Bovina; Joe Beaty, Friona; Paul Trimmell, Bovina; and Anne Shackelford, Friona.

**DISMISSALS--**

Clara Smith, Reyes Estrada, Joe Black, Sammie Watson and baby girl, Michael Estrada, Maria Perez and baby girl, Elena Guerra, Lina Padilla, Alex Almanza, Betty Fritz and Paul Trimmell.

**PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL--**

Martha Clements, Joe Beaty, Anne Shackelford, Jim Mears and Alison Castillo.



**TEN-YEAR REUNION...** Attending the ten-year reunion of Bovina High School graduating students were the above members of the Class of 1971. Front row, left to right, are Brenda Newbrough, Sheryl

Morrison Rieken, Loy Christian McLellan, Debra Kirkpatrick Campbell and Jennifer Cockerham Reed. In the back row, left to right, are Toni Pinner Barrett, Kay Spicer Stanton, Coach Bill

Morrison, Manuel Quintana, Susie Ritchie Hall, Sheryl Moore Meason, Tony Foster, Gary McCormick, Greg Bell, Mike Beauchamp and Bobby Cruger.

## Students Attend Reunion

The 1971 graduating class of Bovina High School held their ten year reunion on Saturday, July 25. The festivities began with a picnic lunch at the Bovina City Park.

Former classmates, their spouses and children were present. Each family enjoyed their picnic lunch while visiting with old friends. Fifty-nine people attended the picnic.

Following a lengthy visit at the park, the classmates reassembled at the Clovis Holiday Inn for a steak dinner. Thirty-one persons attended the dinner.

The dinner was followed by elections from the classmates. Those categories being voted on were: Mrs. America (she is married, but still looks like she did in school); Mr. Universe (marriage hasn't spoiled his looks a bit); Most Eligible Bachelorette (she hasn't been caught yet); classmate with the most children; classmate traveling

farthest to attend the reunion; and classmate married the longest.

The election results revealed Debra Kirkpatrick Campbell as Mrs. America; Tony Foster as Mr. Universe; and Brenda Newbrough as the Most Eligible Bachelorette. The classmate having the most children was a three way tie between Manuel Quintana, Mike Beauchamp and Gary McCormick. The classmate traveling the farthest was Tony Foster. Kay Spicer Stanton was the classmate married the longest.

Those attending the dinner were Mike and Debra Beauchamp, Greg and Pam Bell and Manuel and Christina Quintana, all of Bovina.

Also, Joe and Loy Christian McLellan, Friona; Jennifer Cockerham Reed, Hereford; Tony and Julie Foster, De Kalb; Doug and Debra Kirkpatrick Campbell, Earth; Don and Sheryl Moore Meason,

Amarillo; and Brenda Newbrough, Clovis, New Mexico.

Also, Gary and Cindy McCormick and Bobby and Bendetta Cruger, Pampa; Karl and Sheryl Morrison Rieken, Lubbock; Randy and Toni Pinner Barrett, Oklahoma Lane; Joe and Kay Spicer Stanton, Farwell; and Susie Ritchie Hall, San Jon, New Mexico.

Special guests were Mr. and Mrs. Bill (Dalton) Morrison, Ruidoso, New Mexico, a former coach and class sponsor of the group, and James Ritchie of Bovina and Glenda Morgan of Clovis, New Mexico.

Other classmates attending the picnic only were Glenn and Sandra Bowman Garrison, Amarillo; Steve and Carolyn Cox Boles, Levelland; Larry and Ellen Denney Sumtner, Borger; and Lupe Armendiz Garza, Bovina.

Another reunion was planned for the summer of 1986.

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## Final Copy To Printer On County History

The Parmer County History Book Committee has delivered the final section of the book to Craftsman Printers of Lubbock, it was announced this week by Grace Whitefield, co-chairman of the committee.

Mrs. Whitefield said that the committee was now waiting for the printers to send them the first draft, to be proofed.

"The book committee would like to thank everyone who contributed information, stories, pictures, sketches, encouraged others to do so - in short, everyone who contributed in any way to make this history book possible," Mrs. Whitefield said.

"We especially want to thank the newspapers, such as the Friona Star, Bovina Blade, State Line Tribune and Muleshoe Journal, for the excellent publicity they have so generously given the book activities these past 18 months," she added.

Mrs. Whitefield went on to say that the committee wished to thank all who had ordered books and

announced to those interested that the committee was again taking prepaid orders for books, at \$35.00 if picked up or \$37.50 if mailed.

Orders for books should be sent to Parmer County History Book, P.O. Box 577, Friona, Texas, 79035.

Mrs. Whitefield urged county residents to buy as many books as they will need, because extra books will not be available after the book is published.

## Tim Jameses Have Baby Girl

Mr. and Mrs. Tim James are the parents of a daughter, Amy Judith, who was born August 7 at 3:01 a.m. in West Plains Hospital in Muleshoe.

She weighed six pounds, nine ounces and was nineteen inches long.

Amy's grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Englant of Bovina and Mrs. Marsha Casey of San Antonio.

The child's great-grandmother is Bessie Webb of Bovina.



**TERISA MACHEN and ED-DIE DON LIDE....Mr. and Mrs. Bill Machen of Lubbock announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Terisa, to Eddie Don**

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## Year Of The Mustangs Is Evidenced By Workouts

By JANET WILKE  
 According to the major Texas Football magazines, the Bovina Mustangs could be first in their district and maybe even fifth in the state for 1981. According to Coach Paul Toppliff, mentor of the Mustangs, only sportswriters, coaches, and idiots read and go by those magazines. But, he is still optimistic about the Mustangs' chances in seasonal play.

And, with 28 returning lettermen, 12 of whom are seniors, the chances improve everytime Toppliff sees his team work out.

Two-a-days began this week, and 45 young men showed up for the grill which is the official beginning of football season.

On Monday, following a night of torrential rains, the team worked out in their "swamp" drills, and no one got lost in the mud.

From 9-10 a.m. each day the backs will be working out, and then from 10-11 a.m. the linemen will work out with the entire team seeing workouts from 7 until 8:30 p.m. each night.

There will be two scrimmages which the community will want to take part in. The first of these will be against Friona, in Friona, on August 21, beginning at 7 p.m., then the second scrimmage will take place in Clovis against the Wildcats, on August 29 at 7 p.m. Texas time.

The public will have ample

chance to see the Mustangs in action.

Coach Toppliff said the team looks a lot better than last year at this time and he could tell the team members who have been working out during the summer.

And, most importantly the players know his system this year.

The "system" which they will employ includes a Pro-I offense and a 27 and 52 defense. Toppliff hopes to incorporate both of these defenses this year.

Another gain that Toppliff hopes to see the team make is to see the running game come about. After last year, in which the Ponies were throwing 30 or more times per game, Toppliff said he wants to get away from this and establish some yardage gainers on the ground.

Helping in this will be quarterback Dale Gilbreath, who is in his second year as quarterback for Bovina. He is a junior, who was converted over from wide receiver after the first five days into the season.

"Dale is a good leader and he can throw the ball better than anyone else we saw when we were looking for a quarterback. He seems to have alot more confidence and after being kinda thrown to the wolves last year, he will be ready to take charge," assures Toppliff.

Another plus in the many for the Mustangs this year is the fact that there were 15 freshmen come out for football this year as opposed to the four who showed up last year. Toppliff can take noticeable pride in this fact.

With their opening game against Boys Ranch, the Mustangs will not have to hide their light under a bushel this year, as they can, and very well may, give the Roughriders a mean ride for their money.

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# Twentieth Annual Ellison Reunion Is Held August 2

The twentieth annual Ellison family reunion was held in the Nogal Canyon, New Mexico cabin on August 1 and 2.

## Methodists Set Art Show

Wesley United Methodist Church of Hereford is hosting "Wesley's Fall Festival Of Arts and Crafts" on Saturday, September 12. The show will be held in the Hereford Community Center from 9 a.m. until 8 p.m. and will include live entertainment.

Country music, square dancing, gymnastics, tap dancing and band music are some of the scheduled crowd pleasers. In addition, there will be a concession stand and clowns with balloons for the young ones.

Only a limited number of artist's booths are available with applications being screened. All area artists are invited to apply. For further information write Mrs. Gail Blain, Box 164, Hereford, Texas 79045.

## Guadalupanas Meet For Discussion

Members of the Guadalupanas Society met Saturday, August 1 for a short meeting in which plans for cleaning the rectory were discussed.

All members of the Society are to meet at the rectory on August 22 at 8 a.m. in order to accomplish this duty.

At the July meeting a new member was welcomed to the society.

Mrs. Ana Valero was inducted as a new member. After the short meeting, a social was held at the church hall for the members of the society and their guests. Games were played and enjoyed by all. Refreshments were served.

Graciela Ortiz and Chavela Leal served as hostesses.

Many of the family members turned out for the annual event, and all had a good time.

Some family members came early on July 31 in order to set up the campsite and also to get in some golfing.

On Saturday, the games started with horseshoes and washer tossing being the order of the day. Others played ping pong and games of 42.

Trophies were awarded for the best players in each of the series of the games, so the competition was real.

Saturday, the seventy-six members of the family reunion held a talent show that night. It was stated that there were several talented persons running loose with no contracts.

With beautiful weather as their guide, the Ellison family and their descendants got in a lot of sightseeing and they marveled at how the recent rains had greened up everything and made it all look like new.

Due to an artesian well which was found earlier in the year at the cabin site, the Ellisons and their families had much water from which to use.

There was an over abundance of food and the sociality of the time made it all a wonderful event.

Those who attended the event were Mary Lee and Rusty Tidenburg, Connie and Stephanie March of Albuquerque; Aubra and Ruby Ellison of Brownwood; Hubert and Katie Ellison of Farwell; Buck and Dorothy Ellison of Bovina; George and Bessie Trimble, Pat Read, Thomas and Virginia Rhodes, all of Bovina; Johnny and Lucille Glover of Tularosa, New Mexico.

Also, Ellison and Doris Glover, Jay and Kristi, Murray and Kaye Glover, Roger and LeAnn Hart, all of Alamogordo, New Mexico; J.R., Ellen and Pam Ellison of Brenham; Larry and Margie Warren of Big Spring; Chuck, Sharon and Kimberly Ellison of Colorado Springs, Colorado; Beth Moten of Copperas Cove, Texas; Melvin and Lois Terry,

Roger and Sherri Bowers, Jennifer and John, all of Lubbock.

Also, Burl and Dorothy Sims and Scott and Jay, Mike, Darlene and Doug Sims, all of Happy, Texas; Donna Nickson of Lorenzo; Cindy, Crystal and Jatena Bowman of Clovis; Malcolm and Cherlene Terry of Temple; Allison Terry of Amarillo.

Also, Allen and Robyn Rhodes of Lubbock; Riley and Rhonda Armstrong and their daughter, Ragan of Roswell; C.W., Jane and Kathy Grissom of Taiban, New Mexico; Dewayne Grissom and his fiancée, Bobby Wells of Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Also attending were Dennis and Debra Ellison, Deon and Amber of Mineral Wells, Texas; Peggy Higgins and Wesley of Midland; and guests Harold and Betty Hawkins, Lori and

Shawn of Mineral Wells, Mo.; Norma Hanks of Nogal and Jatena Bowman of Clovis.

The event is celebrated in honor of Buck's parents and to conclude this reunion each year there is a church worship service in which all of the family members attend.

Giving the welcome to this service was Ellison Glover with Buck Ellison giving the opening prayer.

The hymn was conducted by members of the congregation and Dennis and Deborah Ellison performed special numbers.

Chuck Ellison brought the message and then another hymn was sung, with Malcolm Terry and Murray Glover presiding over the communion. A final hymn was sung and Aubra Ellison was called upon to give the benediction.

Doug Sims was the song leader and the family is looking forward to the next time they will meet again.



**ELLISON OFFSPRING...** Wesley Higgins, Crystal Bowman and Kimberly Ellison, who are great-grandchildren of Buck and Dorothy Ellison of Bovina.

## Bovinans

### Make Tech

### Honor Rolls

More than 1,800 students at Texas Tech University, Lubbock, qualified for the deans' honor rolls in the six colleges during the first term of the 1981 summer session.

They included Anita C. Ware and Deborah E. Whitecotton, both of Bovina.

To qualify for a dean's honor roll a student must have a grade point average of 3.0 or more on a 4.0 scale and must have taken at least six semester hours of work.

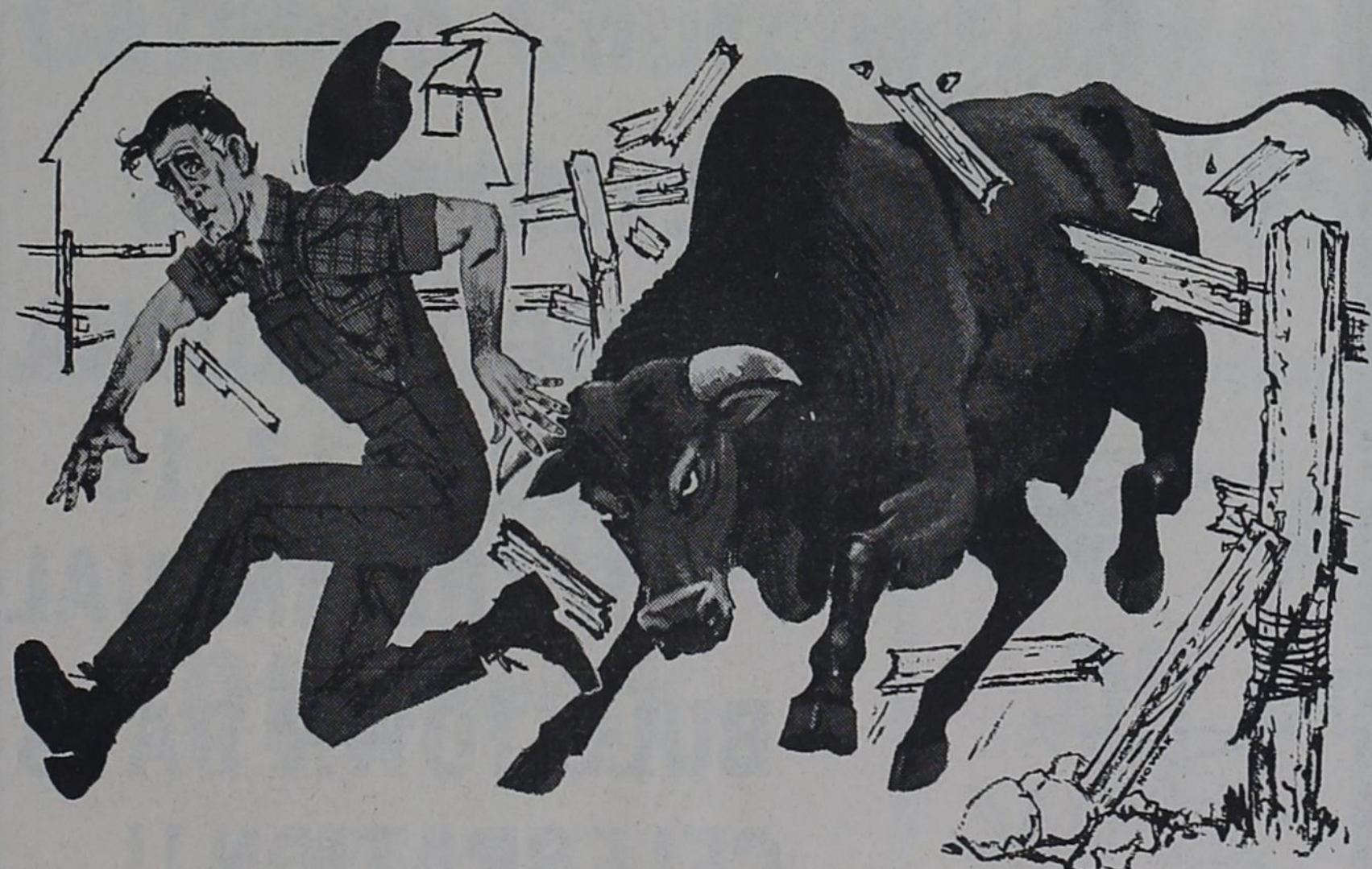
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# Law Enforcement - Emergency Report

Action in the Parmer County Sheriff's Office the past week included the report of several break-ins.

On August 6, Gerald Norton of Route 2, Farwell, reported that some gasoline was stolen from him and the amount was unknown. Also on August 6, Tri-County Tire Company of Farwell reported a theft of four tires which were valued at \$434.00.

Foster Fertilizer of Lazbuddie also reported a break-in on August 6, which included a break-in of the office and a trailer house also on the property. Only personal papers were missing.

Lazbuddie Grain Company also reported a break-in of a boxcar on August 6 but nothing was missing in that attempt.

Tom Mesman of Farwell reported to the sheriff's office on August 6 that he had had an equalizer tire booster taken from his pickup and it was valued at about \$80.

In arrests made the past week, on July 28, Ruben Salazar, 21, of Dumas, was charged with driving while license was suspended and was fined \$100 plus court costs.

On July 31, Victor Arzola, 31, of Muleshoe, was charged with DWI, and fined \$250 plus court costs and five days in jail.

On August 3, Guadalupe Cordova, 52, of Friona, was charged with assault and released on \$1,500.00 bond.

Also on August 3, Wesley Reeves, 46, of Friona, was charged with DWI and evading arrest. On the DWI charge, Reeves was fined \$250 plus court costs and on the evading arrest he was fined \$500. He was also given 17 days in jail for the charges.

Isabel Marrufo, 32, of Bovina, was charged with DWI and fined \$150 plus court costs and 3 days in jail. She was charged on August 6.

On August 9, Benny Gomez, 19 of Muleshoe, was charged with DWI and fined \$150 plus court costs and assessed 20 days in jail with 6 months deferred adjudication.

On August 10, Domingo Rubio, 36, of Farwell, was charged with assault and was released on \$300

bond.

In the police report in Bovina, Police Chief John Detten reported that there were 14 domestic disturbance calls logged the past week.

Also in the report was one wreck involving a 1976 Ford pickup, which was driven by B.J. Black, Jr., 17 of Bovina.

According to police reports Black hit a parked flat bed two-ton truck in the 700 block of Eighth Street. Black was taken to Friona Hospital by the Bovina Ambulance Service but was released without having injury.

Black was charged, according to Detten, with DWI and failure to control speed.

According to Detten, there were several tickets written to residents who failed to make complete stops at stop signs.

And, Animal Control workers picked up 36 animals in the month of July.

### DPS REPORT

On August 10, a juvenile runaway from Memphis, Tennessee was picked up and is currently being held in the Farwell Sheriff's Office, pending word from the Memphis Police Department. The juvenile was a 15 year old black male. He had stolen his grandmother's car.

On August 1, Bartow Reeves of Friona was charged with DWI and evading arrest. The circumstances surrounding his arrest were as follows:

Reeves was driving a Chevy Luv pickup when he ran through a Fruit Fly road block set up by the Department of Public Safety. Trooper James Haley of Canyon tried to flag the driver down but Reeves resisted the attempts made by the trooper to have him stop. In fact, Reeves made a run at the trooper with his vehicle and this is when the trooper got into his car and proceeded to follow Reeves.

Assistance calls were made to the Friona Police Department and Police Chief John Detten in Bovina. Also called to assist were Patrol Officers Art Lopez and Steve Talkington.

Lopez and Talkington met the suspect three miles west of Friona when they attempted to thwart the suspect's attempts by turning in front of his car. They had to get up to 75 m.p.h. in order to overtake the suspect's car and get in front. At that point, the suspect's vehicle passed the patrol car on the left side and half-way into a barrow ditch, almost facilitating a head-on collision with an oncoming car.

The DPS troopers then proceeded to chase the car for about one more mile when officer Talkington attempted to put the shotgun in Reeves' face to get his attention. Reeves never saw the gun and continued to evade officers, passing the patrol car on the left again. Then, troopers tried to run the vehicle off the road, but had to back off to avoid a head-on collision with still another car. The Friona Police set up a road block at Fifth Street and Highway 60, which the suspect ran almost causing two head-on collisions.

Then the Friona Police got in front of the suspect's vehicle and Reeves lost control of the car and it ended up on the south side of the road heading west. Troopers surrounded the car but Reeves ran his car through a small opening between patrol cars. Officer Talkington lowered his shotgun and blew out a right rear tire on the vehicle which caused Reeves to finally stop the car.

Reeves was taken to the Friona Police Department and was sentenced in County Court to 17 days in jail and had to pay a total of \$782.00 in fines.

Also in DPS reports, on August 9, Benny Gomez, 17, of Muleshoe, was arrested for DWI and for driving in excess of 55 m.p.h.

He was involved in an accident which involved a driver and motorcycle from Odessa. Gomez rear-ended the motorcycle which was traveling southeast on U.S. 84. The operator of the motorcycle sustained only minor injuries and was treated and released from Muleshoe Hospital.

In an arrest in Bailey County, Officer Steve Talkington arrested Alejandro Rodriguez, 34. He was

picked up for DWI and speeding and was fined \$51.50 on the speeding violation and his DWI charge is still pending in Bailey County Court.

### EMERGENCY REPORTS

The Bovina Ambulance Service handled two accident calls the past week.

The first call came in on Friday morning and it involved Antonio Martinez, Jr. of Clovis. He was involved in an accident four miles west of Bovina on Highway 60. Martinez was taken by ambulance to Clovis High Plains Hospital and the members on the crew were Dick Richards, Mary Richards, Roy Lee Stowers and Robert Olvera.

In the second accident, which occurred Thursday morning, Joe Black was involved in a traffic accident in Bovina and he was taken by ambulance to Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona. Members on this crew were Dick Richards, Mary Richards and Roy Lee Stowers.

### Rainy Season

### Comes To Area

What can we say? At first it seemed as though the area is destined to go through another dry year and then it begins to pour. As the old saying goes, if you stay around here very long the weather will change.

We heard that in the most recent rains some farmers got some hail.

Those who were mentioned were Leon Schilling, Mike Beauchamp (again), James Clayton and Tom Caldwell.

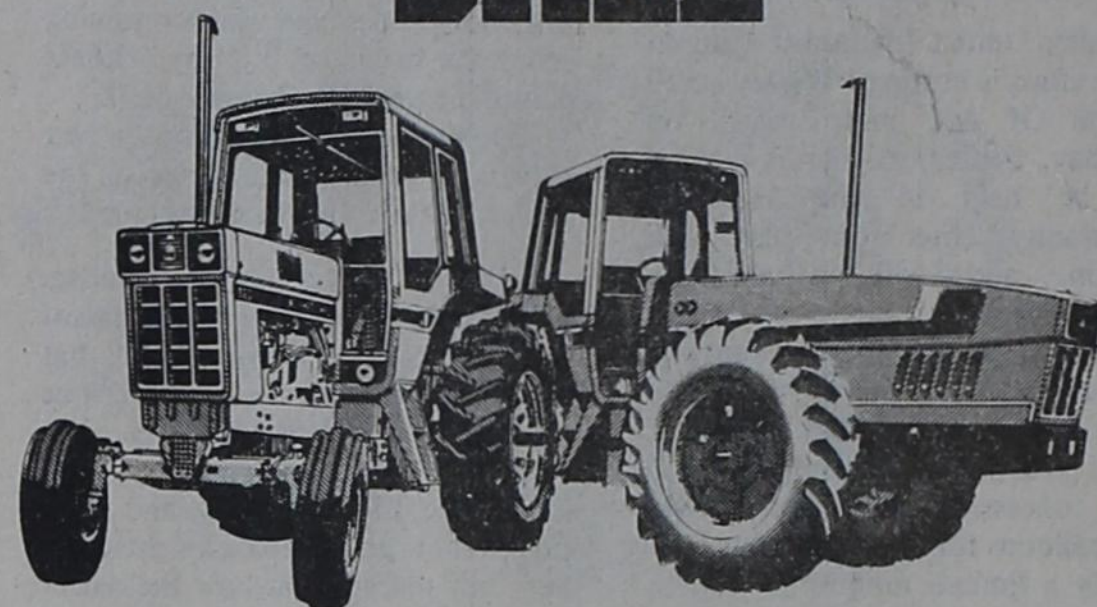
We have no realistic measurement of the rains recently but we are sure that most places must have gotten at least an inch and maybe two.

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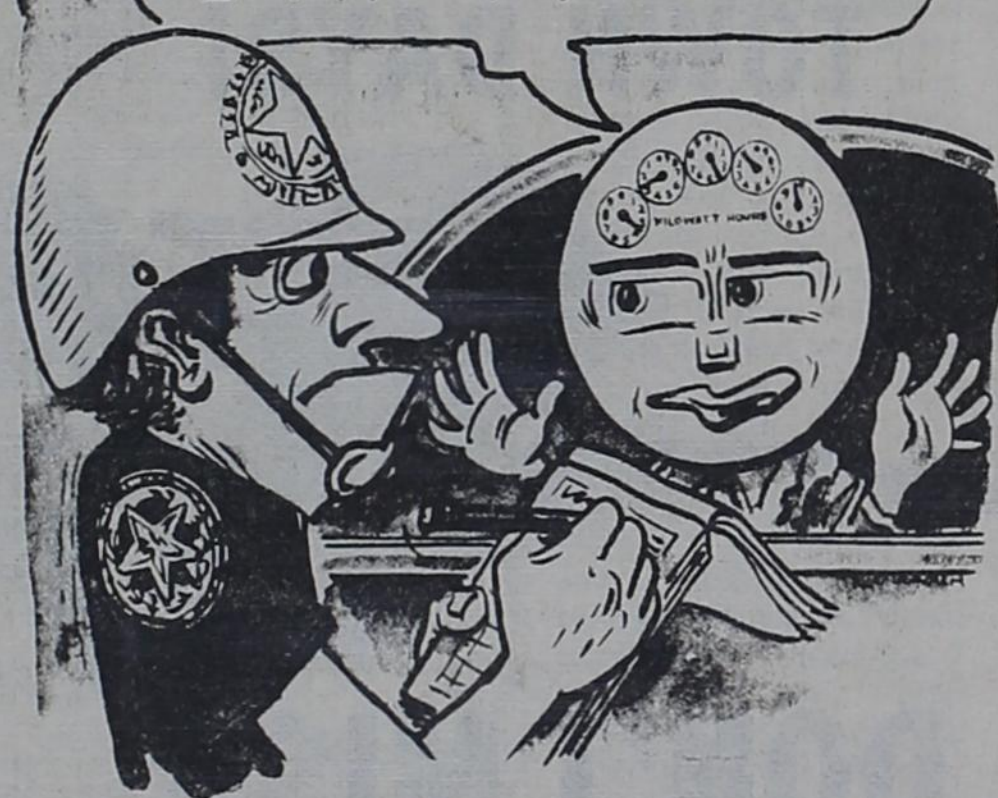
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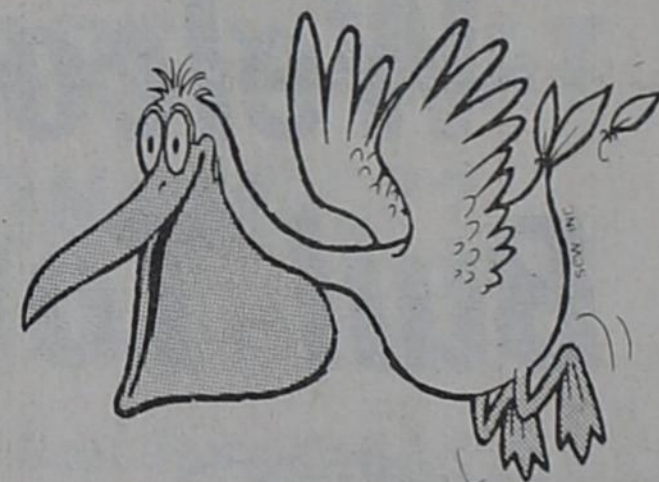
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# Daryl Hawkins Gives Rodeoing All He's Got

By JANET WILKE

Daryl Hawkins thinks the rodeo sport is just about the best thing around. He thought enough of it that he wants to be a professional.

Daryl is the 17 year old son of Erith and Lavoida Hawkins, and he has already been in the sport for six or seven years, he "can't remember which," which could also be the result of rodeoing in itself.

Daryl confessed that he wanted to be in rodeo for a long time before he was old enough to get into the sport. So, when his chance came, he took it.

His parents thought he was probably kidding when he first told them he wanted to be in rodeo. But, after they saw the persistence with which he performed, they realized that he was certainly not kidding.

"They thought that it would be just fine for me to try it (bull riding) a couple of times, until they realized I was serious, then they didn't know what to think. So, I guess they realized that this was what I wanted to do, and they have supported me ever since."

The very first time Daryl ever rode in a rodeo was in the Muleshoe Junior Rodeo, and he rode steers then. Bull riding is his specialty, but he started out steers and bareback broncs, which, Daryl says he gave up very shortly. "I got hit on the fence with a bareback bronc and I just never really wanted to get back on one."

To visit with Daryl, one would never suspect that he would even be remotely interested in such a rough and tumble sport. Daryl is a very soft spoken, mannerly young man. It is hard to imagine how his mother stood watching her young son mounting those gigantic bulls and watch her son then be thrown off those same gigantic bulls.

But, according to Daryl, had it not been for his mother and father, he would have never gotten as far as he has.

"My parents have made all of this possible. They have been by my side every step of the way. Sometimes I really have stopped and thought, usually after a rough time, "why did I ever get into this?" but then my mom and dad would come to the rescue and say, "Do it again, but try a little harder next time," and somehow I always did do better."

And, apparently, it has paid off. Daryl has been a participant in the Tri State Rodeo Association, which pits high school aged rodeo contestants from grades 9-12 against one another, from Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma.

To make the Tri State finals a participant must have 20 points, and one must place 1-6 to get the points. Some of the rodeo sites on the circuit include Hereford, Canyon, Happy, Plainview, Canadian, Dumas, Gruver, Spearman, River Road, Tascosa, Amarillo High, Guymon, Oklahoma and Claude. Some of these places will produce a rodeo in the winter and also in the spring. And, a contestant may go to any of these rodeos in order to come up with their points. Daryl ended the season with 21 points and was ranked 11th overall. The top performer had 55 points.

Daryl has 11 trophy belt buckles to his possession, and that means that he placed in the top three in eleven contests. He got his first belt buckle at the Bull Town Days Rodeo several years ago, and Daryl remembers that he was "pretty excited." He said that having local people watching never bothered him, but he'd just as soon ride somewhere where no one knew him.

But, ultimately, he will be wherever there is a rodeo.

In the last High Plains Junior Rodeo Association contest, Daryl won a pair of trophy spurs, which he added to his already impressive collection of winnings.

Daryl admits that he has had some cuts, bruises and bumps, but has not ever been seriously injured. How many football players can boast of the same injury-free career? Daryl says he just gets on and does his thing and watches what happens to everyone else.

But, what happens if he is "everyone else" one of these times? "I don't consider this dangerous...it is something I do nearly every week. I don't feel that I am risking my life. And, I wouldn't trade this for anything."

Daryl does other things besides just rodeo. He is active in FFA at Bovina High School and was a member of the junior play cast last year. He also likes to train horses, usually quarter



DARYL HAWKINS

horses. He played football until last year when his last ride on a bareback bronc re-injured an old football injury and caused him to have to drop out of football.

As a senior this year at BHS, Daryl hopes he will be able to continue his education at either WTSU or ENMU and hopes he will be able to get a rodeo scholarship to either of those places. And, with his credentials, he might well have a very good chance. Then after he has attended college awhile, Daryl hopes to get a permit from the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association, which will allow him to ride PRCA stock, which is the really tough stuff in the rodeo world. Then Daryl dreams of the day when he will at least be able to become a member of the PRCA which is signified by receiving a card meaning he will be a full member.

But, according to Daryl, that time is farther down the road. He says he will have to get a lot better and learn to ride tougher bulls.

But, right now, Daryl is concentrating on doing a good job in Tri State this, his last year. He does have some specific goals in mind, such as riding in more open rodeos, get on more PRCA stock, and most of all, he wants to win the High Plains Junior Rodeo Association finals this summer. This rodeo includes participants from Farwell, Bovina, Melrose and Clovis, New Mexico.

Being a rodeo star is not only

confined to Daryl in the Hawkins family. His younger brother, Chet, is also interested in the sport and is specializing in steer riding and calf roping. But, Daryl laments, Chet is not too crazy about bull riding...a sport which Daryl excels at.

Daryl stated that his family has spent about \$1,000.00 in the past year to take him to rodeos, and for their lodging and meals, not to mention fuel costs. I suspect that the actual amount is much higher.

Hawkins said that his parents never expressed concern to him for his welfare during a performance. He said that his mom, Lavoida, is always in the stands and his dad, Erith, is usually behind the bucking chutes waiting for Daryl to finish his ride. No wonder this young man does so well with all of the support he gets from his family.

But, support or not, I believe Daryl Hawkins would do this in spite of all else. "I really do like it...there is something special about it to me."

And, there is, no doubt, something special about the people who do this for a living, as well as for sport.

Daryl made a very good comment about rodeo people: "People always remember the one drunk at the rodeo that they may see, but they never remember the really great athletes and talented performers. Rodeo people aren't bums."

In fact, Daryl said when he gets married and has kids of his own he will encourage his children to get into rodeoing if they want to, but he won't force them to. He says, "My parents never shoved it at me, so I am not going to with my kids."

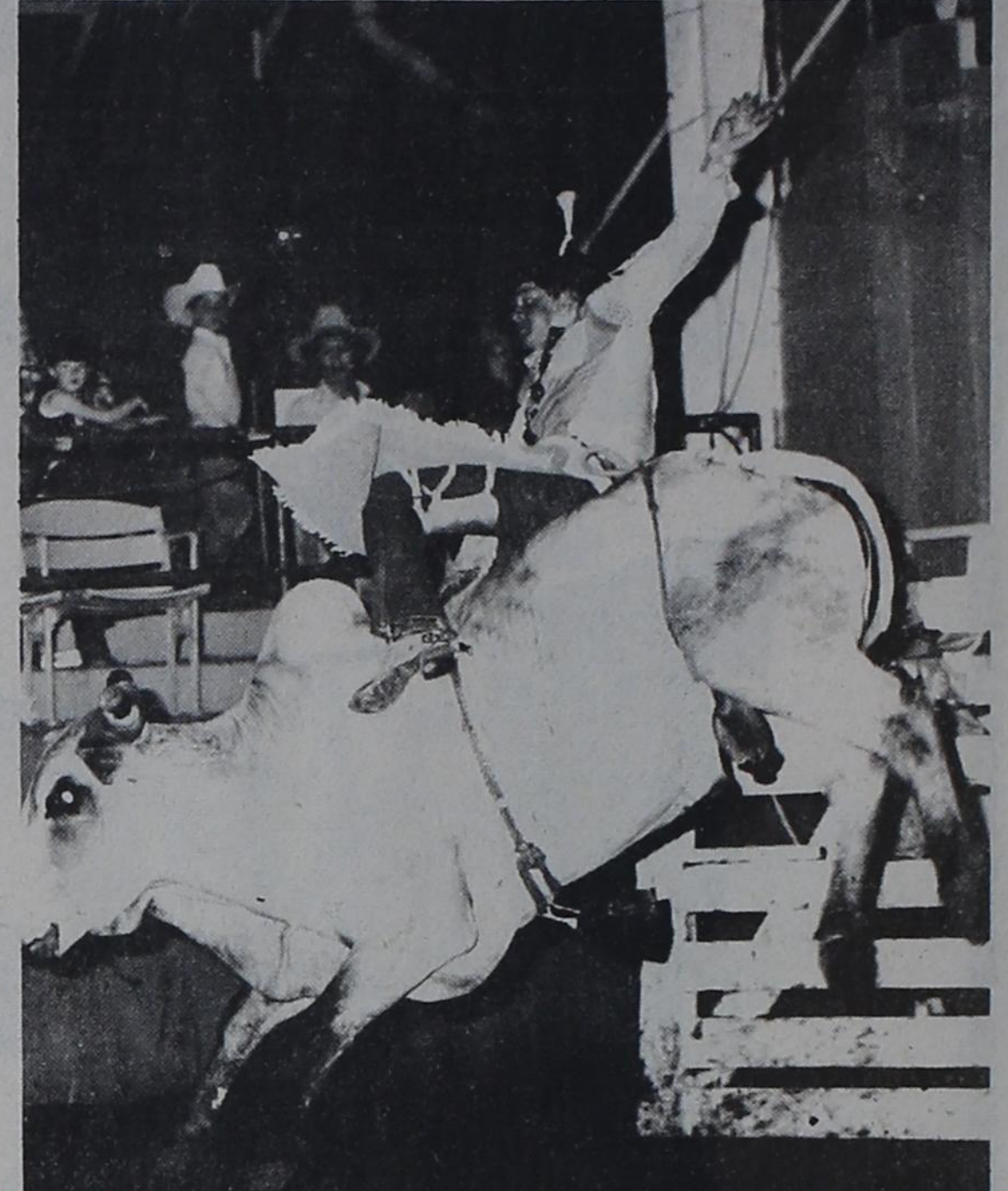
And, for those of you who wonder what type of money can be made, top rodeo bull riders can make over \$40,000.00 per year.

One of these performers, Donnie Gay, is who Daryl Hawkins has a special attraction for, and he hopes, someday, to be the type of bull rider Gay is.

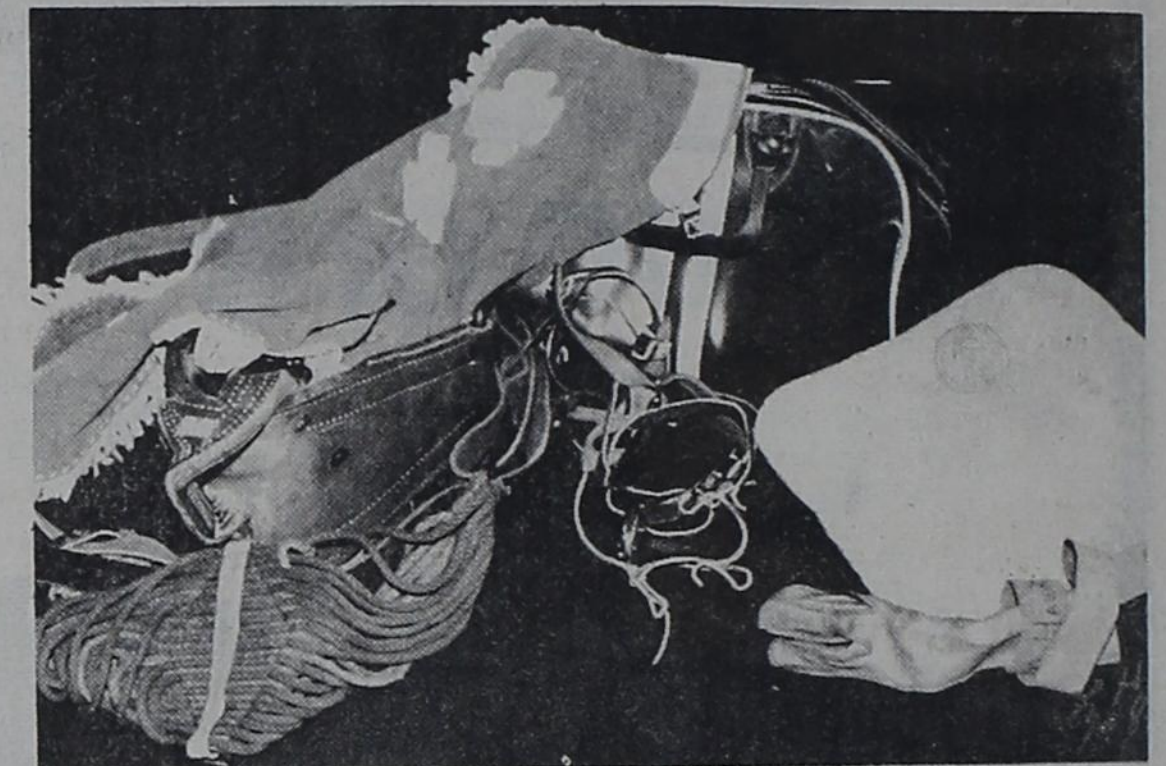
I imagine that this talented, sensitive and truly refreshing young man will make his mark on the rodeo sport.

I know that his honesty, humor and sincere love for the sport has certainly left its mark on me.

For Daryl believes that if more



DARYL HAWKINS IN ACTION

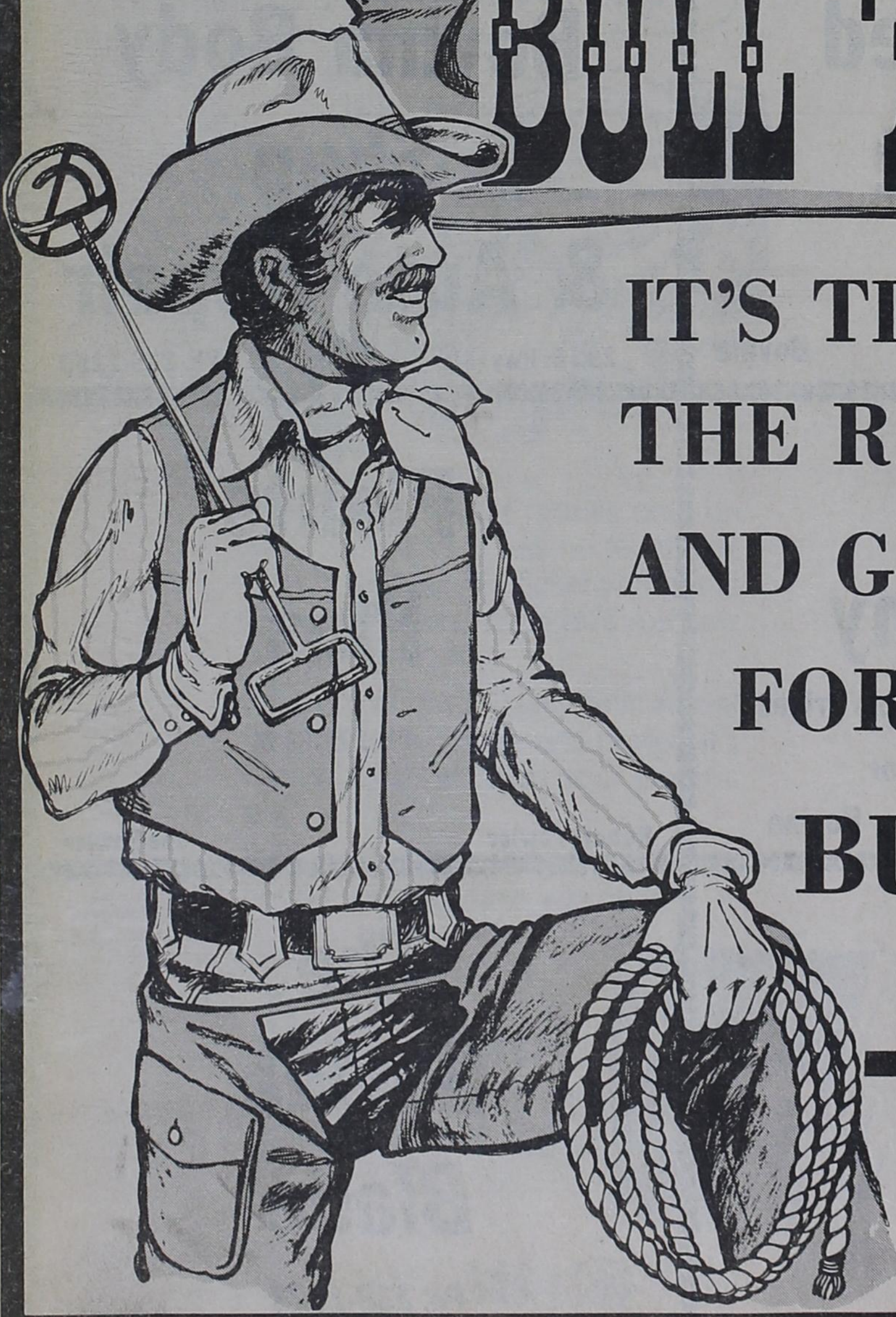


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people would come out and become involved in rodeo, they would understand and appreciate those who


perform more.

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"This is the Company's first venture into the energy industry, and we believe that it offers good potential for return on capital and future growth possibilities," he said.

Friona Industries entered into the limited partnership agreement in April, 1981, with the intention of investing approximately \$2 million in leases and top leases over a period of a year.

Berco Resources, which has offices in Buffalo, Wyoming and Denver, Colorado, is the general partner responsible for acquiring the leases.

Friona Industries, headquartered in Friona, reported net income of \$1.6 million, or 73 cents per share, on revenues of \$144 million for the nine months ended March 31, 1981. Friona's common stock is traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol FI.

The Company is engaged in the processing and packaging of ground beef for distribution to Wendy's fast

food restaurants, the manufacture and sale of commercial cattle feeds, retail marketing of animal health supplies, custom cattle feeding, the sale of company-owned cattle and operation of grain facilities.

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The Land Bank is the largest agriculture credit institution in the State of Texas, with nearly 38,000 borrower/members and 59 Federal Land Bank Associations throughout the state.

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"We celebrate this day, not only for our achievement in lending quality, but for all farmers and ranchers doing business in the state."



Bovina's Sherley Grain (Photo Taken in 1954)

(See Story On Page 1)

### Methodists To Hold Revival

The United Methodist Church at Oklahoma Lane will have a revival beginning Sunday morning with the worship service and then that evening at the 7:30 p.m. service continuing through the week until Wednesday.

### Classes Meet For Reunion

Bovina High School classes of 1949-52 will have a meeting at the barbecue at Bull Town Days and then they will go to the Homemaking Cottage to do more visiting. If you were a member of this class or just want to come by and visit, you are welcome.

Rev. Wesley Putnam, conference evangelist from the North West Texas Conference of the United Methodist Churches will be the featured speaker and he will also be performing special musical numbers.

He is of Plainview but has held pastorates in Hale Center and Lazbuddie prior to his appointment as conference evangelist.

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# Neal Family Is Diversified In Their Various Interests

By JANET WILKE

A person might look the world over, but they shall never find a family more interesting and diversified than the family of Tony and Dottie Neal.

The Neals, who live just outside the city limits of Bovina, have a virtual zoo, chocked full of farm animals, ranging from fighting chickens to award-winning goats.

To them, however, their lives are not so unusual, but it is a bit hurried.

Tony and Dottie and their three children, Mindy, Byron and Cain, have lived in Bovina for the past eight years. Tony and Dottie were raised in California, and met while they were students at the University of Southern California at Davis. Tony was an

animal science major and eventually earned a degree in that and Dottie was an art major for three years and lacks only one year for her degree.

Both Tony and Dottie were raised around animals. Tony was raised around quarter horses and Dottie was reared on a dairy.

This may possibly explain why they have five horses, about 26 goats and plenty of fighting chickens, two Bull Mastiff dogs and a couple of cats on their spread. I would venture to say that there is most always something to do around the place.

Dottie admits that they really raise the animals for profit, but they also get a lot of fun out of the animals and the love between the animals and their owners really grow after awhile.

This is exhibited when you visit the Neal farm. The animals are very tame and they often come up to a person and chew on their clothes, and this reporter can attest.

Tony and Dottie became interested in the goat-raising business about four years ago when they purchased one goat so as to raise calves on the goat's milk. Up until then, they were losing 50 per cent of their newborn calves in the feed yard where Tony worked but the goat's milk seemed to do the trick and the calves began to get fatter and do so much better that the Neals decided to go into the goat business in a big way.

They are now the owners of three championship goats and are members of the American Dairy Goat Association and the West Plains Dairy Goat Association.

The three goats who have made their marks on the record books are Nadia, a permanent Grand Champion, a four year old Toggenburg; Kizzy, a Toggenburg, who is also four, who walked away with a Championship award, was named Best Doe in show and Best Udder in show at Clovis; and Kent, who is a five time Grand Champion winner and is currently working on his permanent Grand Championship. He is two.

They have several more goats who have placed highly in local and area shows, but their awards are too numerous to list.

In the past year, which is actually the amount of time the Neals have been showing their goats, they have won over 100 awards with their entries.

Last year, for example, a suckling stud colt even got into the Neal family act, and he took a prize and they have plans to show him this year, again, as a yearling.

One might ask what the difference between a Toggenburg and any other goat is, and I must admit, I was ignorant of the difference until Dottie explained.

Toggenburgs are goats which are grey or chocolate as the professionals call it and white and they have short ears. Toggs are the Holsteins of the goat family. They produce high quality milk and in larger quantities. Then, the Nubian goats are also to be considered. They are the long-eared goats which may be of any color.

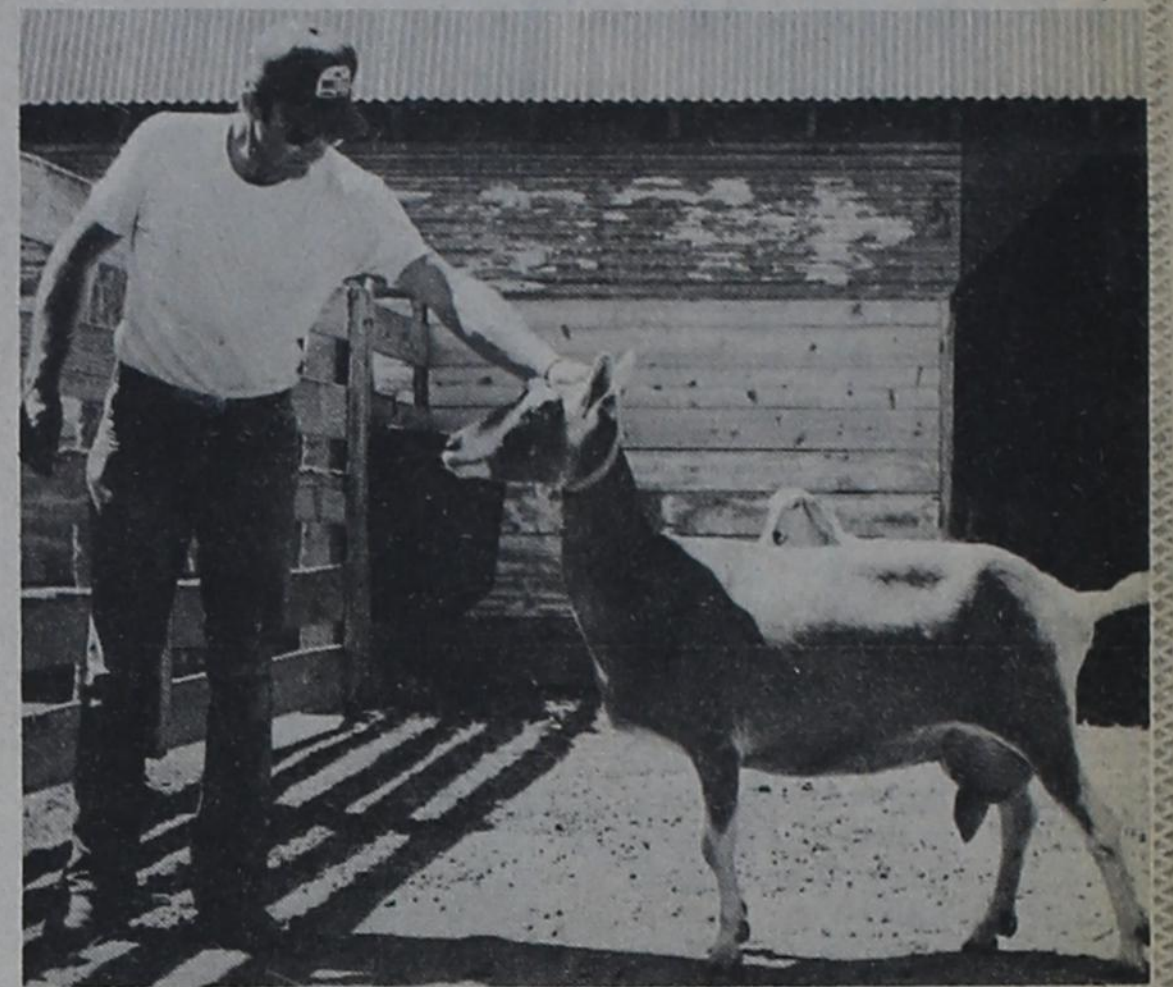
They provide high butter fat, up to seven per cent.

All of the goats which the Neals own are registered goats, and some of these are as big as 250 pounds and as expensive as \$1000.00.

Dottie says that goats, even as cute as they are when they are small do not make good pets for people who don't have the proper facilities and the time in which to take care of the animals. Once, a lady tried to buy a doe and a buck to give as Easter presents and Dottie said that she told the lady they weren't for sale, saying, "Do you have any idea what they will be like when the goats grow up? A 250 pound buck could probably hurt a little child."

Unlike the reputation they are noted for, the goat is really not an animal who will eat just anything. Actually, goats are really very finicky eaters. But, they may have gotten that reputation because they really do enjoy chewing on things...clothes, while still on the person, fingers, and just about anything which can be put in their mouths.

The Neals feed their goats a sweet feed which consists of corn, milo, oats and molasses, and they also seek out and buy the best alfalfa hay they can get, which is sometimes a chore.



GOAT SPECIALIST...Tony Neal is shown with one of his champion Toggenburg doe goats, which the Neals raise at their place just southwest of Bovina.

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All of the goats on the farm, as well as the chickens and horses, dogs and cats, are very friendly, and most of the goats have been hand fed as kids, and are not in the least bit shy of humans.

Dottie said that once a kindergarten class came out to the farm and the children really got interested in feeding and milking the goats. She said the children were really enthralled by the farm animals and some of the more brave ones were able to touch and lead some of the goats. But the most exciting things for the six year olds was when they got to drink a glass of real goat's milk.

Then, one other time, the Methodist Church brought out their Vacation Bible School class to see the animals, and one of the little girls was just taken in by a chicken which she saw. She finally got up the nerve to

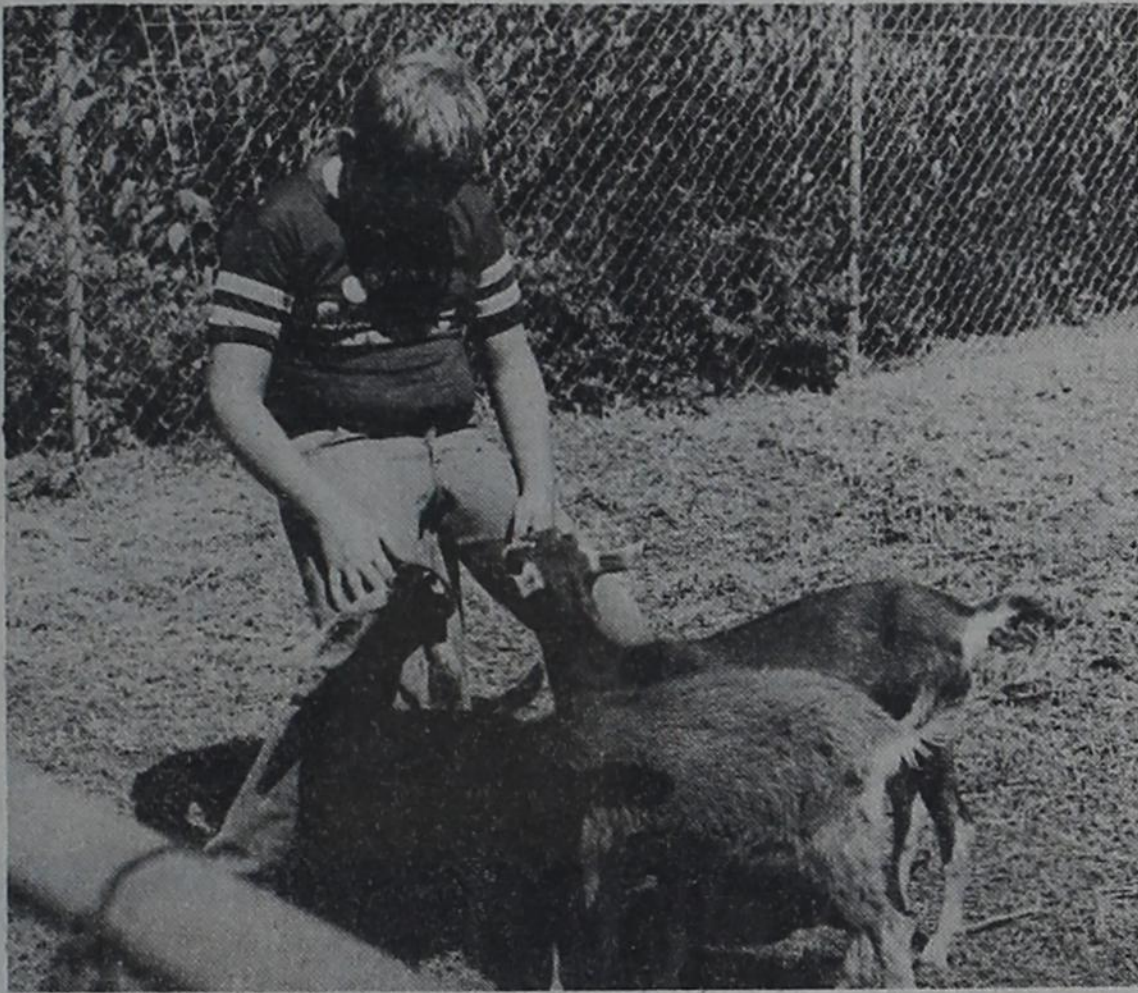
hold the rooster and when the group started to leave, the rooster nearly went with them. The little girl was headed for the car with the animal when Dottie caught up with her.

Tony, in addition to the fact he is in the goat raising business, is also an equine pedicurist...or in more terms, known as a horse-shoer. He does regular shoeing, corrective shoeing, and pathological shoeing. He also works at a feed yard and has several other business ventures, ranging from breaking quarter horses to showing prize goats.

He has been a ferrier for the past sixteen years, and shod horses before he and Dottie married, sixteen years ago. He owns his own equipment for the shoeing procedure and it is set up at the house.

The most complaints which the Neals receive about their livestock is

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PLAYTIME...Byron Neal enjoys playing with the goats which his family raises for fun and profit. The Neals warn, however, that unless a family is equipped, such as being on a farm, that goats are not good pets.

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## Twin Boys Born To Stowerses

Twin boys were born at Parmer County Community Hospital on Wednesday, July 22. They were the hospital's first set of twins in about nine years, according to a spokesman.

The twin boys are identical. They are the children of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Stowers of Hereford.

Ronnie Allen was born at 7:55 a.m. Wednesday. He weighed five pounds, six ounces and measured 17½ inches. Donnie Ray was born at 8 a.m. He weighed five pounds, 13 ounces, and measured 18½ inches.

The newborn boys have a brother, Jessie Lee, who is 15 months old, and a sister, Bobbie Jo, nine.

They have two grandmothers, LaMuriel Stowers of Hereford and Lottie Newman of Byers, Colorado.

Stowers is a former resident of Bovina. He farms in the Hereford area. They live at 605 Stanton in Hereford.



**TWINS BORN....**Ronnie and Donnie Stowers were born in Friona on July 22. They are the twin sons of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Stowers of Hereford. The identical twins are the first multiple births for Parmer County Community Hospital in more than nine years. They are former Bovina residents.

## SPS Declares Dividend On Common Stock

Southwestern Public Service Company recently declared a regular quarterly dividend of 34½ cents per share on its common stock and regular quarterly dividends on all series of preferred stock.

The common stock dividend is payable on September 1, 1981, to holders of record at the close of business on August 14, 1981, and the preferred stock dividends are payable on November 2, 1981, to holders of record at the close of business on October 20, 1981.

Also, the Company's board of directors announced the sale of 120,000 shares of Cumulative Preferred Stock, \$100 par value.

The issue is entitled to a cumulative Sinking Fund sufficient to retire 4,800 shares of preferred stock at \$100 per share in each year beginning in 1987. An offering by the Company of \$30 million principal amount of 10-year First Mortgage Bonds has been delayed pending improved market conditions.

Net proceeds from the sale of the preferred stock (and the First Mortgage Bonds) will be used to defray the cost of the Company's construction program, including the payment of outstanding short-term debt incurred primarily in connection with such program.

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## Neal Family....

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that their goats are out and often, it is someone else's goats anyway.

One common problem that the Neals have with their livestock is that they have been attacked by stray dogs. One year they lost so much livestock that they finally had to do something about the problem. So, they began shooting the animals which invaded their property. At one time there was a band of dogs which destroyed two baby calves and several of their chickens.

Up until now they have killed sixty stray dogs. Most often, they will call an owner if they can identify the dog and ask them to come and pick up the dog, but many times, the dogs are left by people who move or are put out by people who don't want them, and this leads to their death. Tony and Dottie have spent over \$500.00 to put cattle panels on their property to keep other people's dogs out. And, killing the dogs does not give them any pleasure. After all, they are dog lovers too. But, no one can take the loss of a \$1,000.00 goat or calf for very long without going broke.

The Neal family has a busy schedule and their day usually starts at 6 a.m., when they rise and go out to milk the goats. Then after that they come inside for breakfast, after they have processed the milk. At about 8 a.m., Tony leaves for his job, and if it is during school, the kids leave for class. If it is summer, they begin their chores, which can include cleaning the barn, preparing their goats for show, etc.

At 12 noon, the group stops for lunch, unless it is kidding time, then they have to check the animals every hour or so to make sure they are not delivering.

From 2 p.m. to 6 p.m., the family goes about cleaning up the house, barn, animals and after school the children come in and do their chores

and mother gathers the eggs, sweeps the barn, if that has not already been done. Then Tony comes in about three when he is training horses and begins that job. This will last until about 5 p.m., when the afternoon milking takes place.

After supper at 6 p.m., the family has time to themselves, and the children usually go to bed early, especially after a hard day. Most of the time they are in bed by 8:30 p.m.

But, all is not work, for the Neal children consider themselves to be lucky and they feel that other children really envy them. They are active in summer baseball, ride horses and are members of 4-H.

Mindy, 12, is a junior high school twirler, who also sews and enjoys basketball and track. Byron is 11, and he likes to do mechanical drawings and also enjoys basketball. Cain, 7, is involved in Pee Wee baseball, and

likes to draw dinosaurs and space ships and then tell stories about his drawings, says his mother.

All of the children really get a lot of fun out of tending to the animals and they own their own animals and any profit which comes from the animals, belongs to the owners, which are the children. In other words, the Neal children are independent business people.

When asked if she would change any facet of her lifestyle, Dottie said that she would not. She says she enjoys the milking, the animals and the peacefulness that comes when folks get back to nature and really become involved in the care of animals.

And, as Dottie so very well put it, "Sometimes animals are kinder than people, and they appreciate what you try to do for them."



**HAVE A TREAT....**Dottie Neal is shown giving one of her goats a special morsel of food. The Neals have 26 goats on their farm just outside Bovina, and enjoy raising and showing the animals in competition.

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6:00 a.m., Bovina City Park

American Quarter Horse Show

10:00 a.m., Roping Arena

Sponsored by Bovina Roping Club

Old Timers' Reunion

12:00 noon, Senior Citizens Building

Sponsored by Bovina Women's Study Club

Bulltown Parade—"Small Town U.S.A."

4:00 p.m., Main & Third Streets, Bovina

Floot & Bicycle Prizes

Bulltown Bar-be-que

5:00 p.m., Bovina City Park

High School Rodeo

Second Performance

8:00 p.m., Roping Arena

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# Bovina's Ambulance Service Benefits Area Citizens

By Janet Wilke

Imagine with me, if you will, that you are involved in an auto accident. There you are, lying there in pain, when you are suddenly being taken care of by someone that you know...possibly a neighbor of yours.

Impossible, you say? Wrong! This is one of the main concerns of the Bovina Ambulance Service workers. They are here to provide service to the families living in Bovina and in the surrounding communities. And, wouldn't you rather have a friend take care of you when you're hurt, rather than a stranger?

There may come a time, however, when the ambulance service will have to restrict their calls, due to the many outstanding debts which have gone unpaid by the citizens who have used the service in the past.

President Larry Mitchell states that many citizens of Bovina do not realize, that, although they pay for the calls they are charged for at the City Hall, none of the money goes to the City. All of the monies collected for calls goes exclusively to the Ambulance Service.

And, it is also interesting to know that Bovina's service charges lower rates for ambulance service than does any of the surrounding services.

Also, equally interesting is the fact that the Bovina Ambulance Service, **NOT AMARILLO, OR LUBBOCK**, etc., has the quickest response time to the scene of an accident of any other service in the State of Texas...Very impressive!

All of the persons who are involved with the service are trained and state certified emergency care personnel. Of the eleven who serve on a regular basis, ten are Emergency Medical Technicians. One is an Emergency Care Attendant.

Bovina is one of the services that runs consistently with at least three people. Most of the time, they have four people working on a crew.

The service was originally started by Dick and Mary Richards, with help from the Rall Ambulance Service, in November 1978. And, the requirements for becoming an emergency care personnel are quite rigid.

To become an ECA, a person must first take the 40 hour course which deals with the various types of illness

and injury and the means by which to treat these emergencies, then the state requires all prospective ECA's to take a written exam and be tested on their skills in CPR, bandaging and splinting, vital signs, mechanical aides to breathing and/or traction splinting. For an ECA, the State only requires the provider to perform three of the five skills. On the other hand, the EMT's are required to take a 120 hour course, which involves hospital work, and then take a 100-question written test, and perform all of the above named skills.

Mitchell says that, in all, the members of the service have devoted somewhere around 176 hours apiece, respectively, for their training.

The members of the service are on call from 5 p.m. to 8 a.m. one week out of every three. This usually involves about 128 hours of the volunteer's time.

And, the members are not paid in any way. They provide this service on their own time, and many times, they are called away from their jobs to serve the community.

Monies for the service come from the county, which pays \$300 per month for the payment for the ambulance itself, and then the city contributes \$200 monthly for fuel, wear and tear on the vehicle, and telephone use. But, outside of the \$500 total they get per month, the individuals on the service usually pay from the money they get from calls they make. There has also been a Memorial Fund set up for the ambulance service, to which private donors can contribute, and this helps to buy new, more efficient equipment for the ambulance.

Larry Mitchell says that if the service could possibly come up with as much as \$11,000.00 it could buy a heart monitor and a "Jaws of Life." But, he is not greedy.

"The people of Bovina have really contributed to the service in a remarkable way. We have no complaints about their generosity. Many, many of the businesses have been very helpful and, without their assistance, we probably would not have ever gotten off the ground." And, there is a list of original contributors, which is too lengthy to print, who have been regular donors to the cause.

Mitchell rationalizes their job like this: "We feel that what we do is a form of ministry...that is, helping others in their greatest time of need. It takes a lot of personal sacrifice on the part of all of the members to take time away from their home and families to run with the service, but we feel that it is our duty to be involved in the community."

And, sometime Mitchell and his cohorts are up half of the night fulfilling their duty.

That is why, when payments aren't made by the people who have been served by the service, the duty sometimes begins to be a chore instead.

But, the Bovina group has not lost their record for efficiency due to the lost revenue.

In the two and one-half years of their existence, and in the approximately 200 runs they have made, the Bovina Ambulance Service has only lost five victims. That, within itself, is a remarkable accomplishment.

At this point we would like to recognize these courageous people, who are your friends and neighbors, and who indeed, do a very difficult job extremely well, and serve without any pay for themselves. Officers for the service are President Larry Mitchell, vice-president Donna Mitchell and Secretary Glenna Monk.

Associate members include Weldon Moody, Daryl and Karen Kirkpatrick, and Alma Clayton. Regular members are Don and Gladys Spring, Don Paul Spring, Robert Olivares, Dick and Mary Richards, Glenna Monk, Larry and Donna Mitchell, Roy Lee Stowers, and Tom Thomas.

The crew averages about five runs a month, but the busy season is currently underway...summer.

The service members must renew their qualifications every two years by retaking the course and re-testing with the State Board of Health. Anyone who does not pass, does not run with the service.

The cost to be served by the service is \$50 and 50 cents per mile up to 35 miles, then the mileage charges go up to \$1 per mile.

There is also a charge for the use of oxygen, which is \$10, as well as a charge for bandaging and splinting.

After all, the materials in which to do these procedures are expensive for the service. But then again, what is the price of human life?

Recently the service was able to purchase a UHF unit which will allow them to be in radio-contact with several of the area hospitals. This will enable the members of the service to stay in touch with medical personnel at the hospital and be able to advise them of any unforeseen changes in the victim's condition.

The dispatcher and keeper of the UHF unit is Mrs. Gloria Atchley.

Mitchell said the Atchleys both are very much appreciated for the job they do, which is babysit with the unit. Up until they got the new unit, one of the members would have to take the old one home with them, and it was really tying them down. But, after Jerry and Gloria Atchley offered to take over the job of monitoring the unit, things became much easier.

"Jerry and Gloria wanted so much to be involved in the work at the service, but they felt that they would not be able to go out on calls, so they made the offer to us to be the dispatchers and monitor the unit, and I took up their generous offer. No one can possibly know how much easier this makes it for the members who run on the ambulance. And, Gloria does a terrific job."

Mrs. Atchley will monitor the device and when an emergency comes in she will call the members whose crew is on call. Then she pages the ones of the crew who are not there to make sure they have gotten the word. After the crew is all present, she will dispatch the information to them. This has made for a more organized, efficient manner of handling calls. In the emergency care business, sometimes minutes can make all of the difference in the world.

And, for this non-profit organization, they count the minutes carefully, especially when they are costing money, not only to the service, but also to the user.

So, next time you see the service go out on a call, just remember that, although it may not be you now, eventually it possibly could be. And, the people who will take care of you will really do just that--TAKE CARE OF YOU.

Mitchell gave us this piece, which was printed in the Emergency journal, which he feels, related how the EMT really feels about his job. It is entitled "The EMT."

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# Jeanne Bartley Recalls Her Year In The Jungle

By JANET WILKE

Jeanne Bartley and her two youngest children are home for a month and she stopped by the Blade office to recount some of the good and some of the not-so-good times they have endured in San Andres, Peten, Guatemala.

The Bartley family has been in Guatemala for the past two years, but only recently has Jeanne, Renee and Todd lived in the jungle-like country side of their ranch.

They had been living in the city. Bo and Jeanne are running an orphanage-type facility for homeless, abandoned children, who run amuck in the city streets of Guatemala.

Jeanne says they really enjoy their life there and, although the decision to leave the U.S. was a hard one, they are contented with their lot.

But, she also says they would not hesitate to leave Guatemala should there be any trouble.

Jeanne grew up in Bovina and still has several relatives living in the area, including her sister Tonya Gober, and several aunts and uncles at Lazbuddie. Her parents are living at Vinita, Oklahoma.

Bo Bartley grew up in Muleshoe, and his parents, W.F. Bartley, still live there. Bo, too, has a relative living in Lazbuddie, his sister, Linda Elliott.

The Bartleys have three children: Tim, who is 20, Renee who is 13, and Todd who is 11.

Jeanne says that after this year, they are considering sending Renee back to the U.S. to finish her education. She wants to be a veterinarian, and the educational quality in Guatemala is somewhat lacking, according to Jeanne.

"It will surely be hard for us to see her leave, and she will only be entering high school, but if she is to have the opportunity to succeed, she will have to get the proper education," laments Jeanne.

When Jeanne finished school in

Bovina in 1964, she did not realize that within, say, 12 years, she would have been half a world away from Bovina, Texas, in some remote jungle-like place with no electricity and no water.

Yes, life is fairly primitive for the Bartleys, but they are making it.

The mainstay of the community in which they function is agriculture: growing coffee beans, sugar cane, corn and bananas. The people with which they deal are Mayan ancestors from the Indian nationality, who speak Spanish, but have, also, 26 different dialects from their native tongue.

Most all the people there are native Guatemalans, and most of the men can read, but hardly any of the women can read. The Government requires all children to get at least a sixth grade education, but Jeanne confesses that the education which they receive sometimes is lacking.

In the facilities they have there, they provide homes for ten children from 16 months old to 17 years old. Most all of their charges are in first grade, with the exception of one girl who is in the third grade. All the students in the school, which is also on their place, must pass a test before they are promoted to the next grade. Jeanne said that nearly all students fail the first time, and some fail more times after that.

The Bartleys have secured the help of a Guatemalan teacher for their school. The classes go from 7:30 a.m. to 12 noon. Then the children are fed, and the ones who are residents there stay and those who only come to school there are then free to leave. Jeanne said the reason they came there in the first place was for the kids. There were so many who had no place to go, and no one to look after them. So, when the Ranch gets a child, the parents sign over custody to the Ranch. It makes for better education in the long run.

Life at first was very hard on

Jeanne. She had to become accustomed to the strangeness of the natives, plus the fact there was no water or electricity up there. They live in a remote area, which is about 11 kilometers from the nearest town, and 45 minutes from the largest town. It is 12-14 miles from Guatemala City, and this is where many of the children come from.

When they first built the big house, there were no partitions in it and the girls who were their charges slept and ate in the same area in which the Bartleys lived.

They had to catch rainwater with which to bathe and prepare food, and they have a gas stove and refrigerator, and at one time, Jeanne said because of the rains, they were out of gas for the stove and refrigerator for a week, and had to cook meals campfire style.

The main staple of the Guatemalan diet is black beans and tortillas. They eat very little meat, because they cannot afford it...sounds familiar, huh?

Jeanne said when they got the first kids, they were malnourished and did not own anything besides the shirts on their backs. But, now all of the original residents have overcome their malnutrition and are on the road to recovery.

One might ask what would make a person stay over there and live in such primitive conditions? Jeanne said that if one child will grow up to become a good influence, and if what we are doing can become a positive point in their lives, then maybe they can go out and do something for someone else. "We feel like doing this for the kids will be a positive thing for the country, and every child should have the opportunity to grow up in a home filled with love and trust."

Jeanne also added that alot of people approach them about fostering a Guatemalan child and having them moved to the States.

But, the problem is that you should not move a child, you should be able to come in and make their situation better in their country, not move them to your country.

The Bartleys live in a native rock house, which has 9,000 feet of space, and is divided up into two apartments, and six bedrooms. A large living area is also used for eating, studying and family recreation. There is also a kitchen area and there are three small rooms for the hired help.

They were able to get the land when an official to which they applied realized that they, too, were Christians and being a Mormon himself, he gave Bo his pick of locations.

They have 320 acres, but only 20 is cleared for living and recreation. About 40 acres is planted in corn, and the rest is wild, untamed jungle.

Jeanne said they planned on staying until the ranch is able to stand on its own two feet, so to speak, and until they are able to hire native Guatemalans to run it. But, next year, there are elections, and time will tell how things work out.

As far as the families of Bo and Jeanne Bartley are concerned, they would just as soon see them come home.

It takes several thousands of dollars to operate a ranch such as this and Bo and Jeanne have often given up their meager salaries each month in order to buy a few extras here and there, but they felt like the kids are worth it. And, all of the money which comes in goes for the benefit of the kids.

Jeanne says that sometimes she would just like someone to talk to. She says this is also a common complaint among her children since there are few American kids with which to talk or play. Mrs. Bartley also said that at times she feels guilty for putting her children through all of these things, but then again, how



**MISSIONARY FAMILY....Mr. and Mrs. Bo Bartley and their children, Renee and Todd, moved to Guatemala in August 1979 where they have assisted in the founding and management of El Rancho De Los Ninos--a home for orphaned and/or neglected children. Plans for the home which had been "in the making" for several years have now become a reality, thanks to the donation of 330 acres of land by the Guatemala government and the generosity of countless local people.**

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many children get to spend part of their lives in Central America? How many kids can have a monkey for a pet and see lions and tigers most every day?

It has surely been an educational experience for the entire family.

They are hoping to add a means of transportation to the ranch. Jeanne says that they hope to take a bus or van back with them when they go, so they will have some means of transporting the children. Most of the children have to walk to school.

In fact, there was one student who walked several miles to come to school. He did this for the most part of a year, then his little sister got sick

and he quit coming. When Jeanne asked him why he stopped the boy said that it was just too far for him. He was just a small child.

Jeanne says that this type of work is definitely not for everyone, and that anyone wanting to get into it will have to sacrifice all of their luxuries in order to do it.

For anyone who would like to correspond with Bo and Jeanne, or for those of you who would like to send a contribution, their address is: El Rancho de lo Ninos, San Andres, Peten, Guatemala and they also have a Farwell address: El Rancho de los Ninos, Box 794, Farwell, Texas 79325.

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# Rites Held Friday For Charles B. Lovelace

Funeral services for longtime Parmer County Sheriff Charles B. Lovelace, 71, were conducted Friday, August 7 in Farwell.

Lovelace died at 10:55 a.m. Wednesday at Parmer County Community Hospital following a short illness.

Services were conducted at the Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church in Farwell, with Rev. W.T. Perry of Crane and Rev. J.L. Bass of Bovina officiating.

Burial was in Sunset Terrace Memorial Cemetery in Farwell, under the direction of Parsons-Ellis Funeral Home.

Lovelace was born October 25,

## Steinbock's Rites Held

## At Lazbuddie

Funeral services for Ed Steinbock, 77, of Lazbuddie were conducted Sunday, August 2, at the Lazbuddie United Methodist Church with Rev. Louis Crenshaw officiating. Burial was in the Lazbuddie Cemetery.

Born November 13, 1903 in Frederick, Steinbock died Friday, July 31 at the West Plains Medical Center in Muleshoe. He had been a resident of the Lazbuddie Community for 56 years, moving there from Frederick.

Steinbock had been a member of the Lutheran Church in Littlefield for his lifetime.

He married Theadora Schroeder in Frederick, Oklahoma on October 3, 1924.

He is survived by his wife of the home; two sisters, Mrs. Francis Oliver of Clovis and Mrs. Alma Winn of Slaton, Texas; and three brothers, Willie Steinbock of Muleshoe, Rheinhold and Alfred Steinbock, both of Lazbuddie.

Pallbearers were Raymond Treider, R.L. Barber, Raymond McGehee, Wayne Clark, Walter Hanson and E.A. Parham.

1909 in Vernon. His parents moved to this area, settling in Bailey County in 1920. He was reared on a farm four miles south of Muleshoe.

On May 27, 1939, Lovelace married Alice Margaret Guyer. She preceded him in death in April 1975.

He married Frances Treider in Lazbuddie March 5, 1977.

In 1948, Lovelace was elected to the position of county sheriff and tax assessor-collector, and held that position for a number of terms, until the sheriff's and tax position were split, in 1958.

He held the sheriff's position until this past December 31, when he retired after 32 years in public office.

In an interview at the time he retired, Lovelace pointed out that when he first was elected as sheriff, he had only one deputy, at Friona, and no radios. When he retired, he had deputies at Friona, Bovina and Farwell, five dispatchers who worked around the clock, and several radios.

Lovelace was a member of the Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church. He was a 32nd degree Mason, and also was a member of the Scottish Rite.

Lovelace also was a member of the Sheriffs Association of Texas, the National Sheriff's Association and the United Peace Officers Assn.

The Parmer County jail, under Sheriff Lovelace's supervision, was one of the first in the Panhandle to earn state certification. He was named "Man of the Year" for 1980 by the Farwell Chamber of Commerce.

Survivors include his wife Frances of the home, three sons, Johnny of Richardson; Jerry of Rosenberg and Leon of Grapevine; five grandchildren, two step-sons, four step-daughters; three sisters, Mary Burkhead of Albuquerque, N.M., Iona Hamilton of Lubbock, and Merle Norris of Clovis, N.M.; and four brothers, John and Woodrow, both of Farwell, Edgar of Vernon and Arlin of Santa Fe, N.M.

Pallbearers were Bob Anderson, Vernon Symcox, Tom Atkins, Hugh Moseley, Dr. Paul Spring and Jack Williams.



CHARLES LOVELACE

## Tax Rep. Sets Visit

State Comptroller Bob Bullock has announced that Ms. Doggett from his Lubbock field office will be at the Parmer County Courthouse in Farwell on Wednesday, August 19 from 2 to 3:30 p.m.

A comptroller's representative is available to assist local residents at the courthouse every third Wednesday of each month.

Bullock urged anyone with problems or questions concerning state taxes to contact Ms. Doggett at the courthouse in person or call the Lubbock field office at (806) 795-0691. A toll free number (1-800-252-5555) is also available to Texas taxpayers.

## Arts & Crafts Festival Set In Hereford

The Hereford Arts and Crafts Festival sponsored by the Hereford Fine Arts Association will be held at the Hereford Community Center on Saturday, October 17 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Artists and craftsmen are invited to purchase exhibit spaces and participate in this show. All entries are to be handmade by the exhibitor. Prints and reproductions of artists' work are acceptable.

For additional information and entry form contact Hereford Fine Arts Association, 100 Nueces, Hereford, Texas 79045.

# 29 County 4-H Members Enter Record Book Contest

Twenty-nine Parmer County 4-H's turned in record books for the county contest. Twelve books qualified to go on to the District competition at Lubbock on July 31.

County winners were: *Senior Division*: Clothing, Maureen Jesko, Lazbuddie 4-H; Swine, Charles Johnson, Bovina 4-H; and Horse, Shain Rhodes, Friona 4-H.

In the *Junior Division*: Dairy, Doug O'Connor, Lazbuddie 4-H; Fashion Revue, Shelley Salyer, Friona 4-H; Gardening, Kendra Stephens, Farwell 4-H; Food & Nutrition, Amber Rhodes, Oklahoma Lane 4-H; Food Preservation, Kelly Foster,

Oklahoma Lane 4-H; Horse, Twila Donaldson, Oklahoma Lane 4-H; Sheep, Kristi Stephens, Oklahoma Lane 4-H; Swine, Sharlet Johnson, Bovina 4-H; Clothing, Devera Rhodes, Friona 4-H.

At the county level 4-H's completed record books in such projects as Food, Clothing, Shooting Sports, Horse, Swine, Lamb, Dairy Goat, Gardening, Food Preservation and Fashion Revue.

4-H's receiving blue awards on their record books in county competition were: Amber Rhodes, Amy Johnson, Devera Rhodes, Danna Ralston, Jennifer Cass, Twila

Donaldson, Dana White, Chad Rhodes, Kenneth Smith, John Cass, Keith Smith, Sharlet Johnson, Kristi Stephens, Brent Stephens, Tracy Moore, Terry Moore, Doug O'Connor, Shelley Salyer, Shain Rhodes, Charles Johnson and Maureen Jesko.

4-H's receiving red awards were: Amy, Lisa and Kevin McGehee, Ella and K.C. Eubanks, Steven Smith, Kendra Stephens and Kelley Foster.

At the District Contest, seven Junior record books received blue awards. The Parmer County 4-H's did an excellent job with their record books this year.

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# Anne Corn Provides Many Learning Experiences

By JANET WILKE

Although Anne Corn is no longer a teacher in the classroom, she is still involved in the education of students and her vast knowledge provides a learning experience for all students.

Anne is employed with Region 16 Education Service Center, as a Library Consultant, a job which she took because she felt that it would provide service to more students.

Anne was reared in Asch, Czechoslovakia and there she lived until 1946, and the Communist invasion when she and her family had to flee for their lives. They moved to Schonwald, West Germany, where her parents still live.

Anne came to the states and eventually got her degree in mathematics at Eastern New Mexico University in Portales in 1962.

She taught in Bovina for six years, then she became a graduate assistant at WTSU while working on her

master's degree. After she attained her master's in education with emphasis on math and library science, Anne taught adult education in Bovina until 1972 when she was hired at Farwell and there she taught and was librarian until 1980, when she took her present job.

Anne's new job is detailed and very consuming. She travels to six schools and serves the libraries at those schools as a certified librarian. She assists the library aides which are employed by the various school systems. She has traveled approximately 2,000 to 3,000 miles each of the past nine months she was employed by Region 16 ESC.

Her job involves working with students as much, if not more, than working with adults and this is where Anne's classroom experience has come in handy. She relates well with all ages of students from kindergarten through the twelfth grade. But, most

important of all is the fact that Anne is not just teaching students how to use the card catalogue or how to find a book, but how to function independently and use their heads.

She often tells kids that "You may not go to college and may never need to use a college library, but even in your every day life you will need to know how to read and follow instructions; you will need to know where to go and what to look for and how to file the right papers, even then. And, research and knowing where to look is really what we are teaching you when you do Library Skills."

Anne's job includes more than just "consulting." Last year, she helped one (or maybe more than one) library aide weed her Easy Book Collection, she helped to establish a couple of new libraries, assisted librarians at small schools in the area in making the most of their library facilities, and most of all, she gave encouragement when things seemed hopeless.

She says that she likes everything about her job and her biggest gripe is that she has not ever found enough time to do what she wanted to do this year in regard to the libraries she serves.

The six schools she serves are Lazbuddie, Walcott, Adrian, Hart, Nazareth and Kress. Each of the schools employs a library aide, and Anne assists the aide with whatever there is to do.

Anne and her husband Charles have three children who are grown. The Corn children are Eddi, who is married and lives in Farwell, he and his wife, Gwen, have three children, Clay 6, Christi, 4 and Charla, 1. Doris Grissom is married to Don Grissom and live in Amarillo with their son, Cole, who is 9. Heidi Corn lives in Canyon where she is a nurse and is working toward her degree in nursing at WTSU. Doris is also attending school at AC and she is working toward a degree in drafting with emphasis on geological drafting, particularly in the oil and gas industry.

Anne and Charles have lived in Bovina for some time. They have a lovely home and many of the decorations have been handmade by Anne's parents, who do weavings.

As a teacher, Anne was a member of T.S.T.A. where she was County Association President and district committee member. She was a member of Texas Librarians Association the past year and has been a member of Delta Kappa Gamma honorary sorority for teachers.

As a teacher in Bovina and Farwell, Anne was named "Teacher of the Year" and she is still held in high respect by her former students.

Through her work with students in the area libraries and even outside of school, she has provided around her

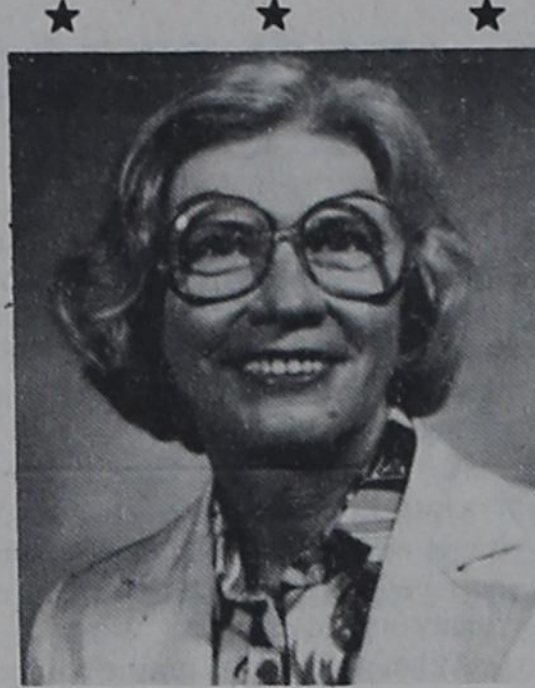
## Fair To Have Children's Zoo

This year, the Amarillo Tri-State Fair will offer a new attraction: a Children's Petting Zoo.

The petting zoo will be open during the run of the fair, September 21-26. There will be 30 to 40 animals, including a baby elephant.

This will be an opportunity for children to feed and pet the animals under supervision.

The Amarillo Tri-State Fair always offers many outstanding family attractions, and the Children's Petting Zoo will be a new favorite for many fairgoers.



ANNE CORN

an atmosphere conducive to learning and to know Anne Corn is a learning experience within itself, for she has many interesting ideas, hobbies and stories about life in Germany which would spellbind anyone and especially students.

She showed slides of her home to students last year and they sat speechless viewing the sights and

listening to Anne. On many occasions, she has been asked to recount life in Hitler's Germany and how she felt at the time when her family was uprooted and had to get away from the troops which were taking over her hometown. And, although it may not bring back many pleasant memories for Anne, it has provided unforgettable learning experiences for the students who have heard her stories.

As a consultant, Anne felt that she would be able to reach more kids who really need the help. She felt that to be a math teacher, she would only see a limited number of students while many other students would not be getting the benefit of her years of knowledge and experience. That is why Anne took the job she has...so she could reach out to all the students.

And, she has done that.

No matter where Anne Corn is or what she calls her job...there will only be one name for it to those who work with her or have worked with her-And, more especially to her former

and future students, Anne Corn is an educator...and there aren't many of them left around.

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Anne's Famous Pumpkin Cake  
Use a tube pan or bundt pan for this. Grease and flour and set oven for 350 degrees.

In bowl combine:  
3 cups sifted flour  
3 cups sugar  
2 teaspoons cinnamon  
2 teaspoons soda  
1 1/2 teaspoons salt  
Add, and beat for three minutes:  
1 cup salad oil  
2 cups canned pumpkin  
1/4 cup sour cream  
1 1/2 teaspoons butter flavoring  
4 eggs at room temperature  
2 teaspoons vanilla  
In small bowl combine:  
1 cup walnuts, chopped  
1 cup raisins  
1/3 cup sifted flour  
Fold all into batter and pour into prepared cake pans. Bake one hour or until done.

## The Low Down On Bull Town

Bovina was established in 1899, when the residents renamed it "Bovina" after railroad men called it "Bull Town." When the Post Office was established that was when the name was changed.

Bovina was a leading town in the Western High Plains, as it was a city of 200 by 1915, when most other towns were only getting started.

Bovina was originated as the Hay Hooks line camp for the XIT Ranch, and during the time that cattle were being shipped out of here, it was recognized as one of the largest cattle shipping points in the United States.

Bovina was a thriving metropolitan area in the early 1900's. By 1915 there was a bank, school, hotel and two churches.

In 1978, there was \$17,125.00 collected in sales tax in Bovina, net sales taxes collected as the per cent of the ad valorem tax levied was at \$44.46, and net sales taxes collected as equivalent of the ad valorem tax rate was at \$.54, and sales tax per capita was \$12.48. Friona's sales tax per capita is \$20.94.

Bovina's assessed valuation is \$3,182,947.00.

In Parmer County, there were 12,213 vehicles registered in 1979 and \$363,378 total dollars collected in license fees, with \$175,000.00 going to the county and \$176,935 going to the state.

Bovina is 4,464 feet above sea level and has a population of 1,407 people.

It's High School girls track team won the state track championship in 1979.

The city of Bovina has a park, a roping arena, two schools, and is served by one full time police officer and five reserve officers. Bovina has a home rule type of city government

and the mayor is Roland Lusk, City Manager is Tom Bonds and the Aldermen are Dale Gober, Dean Hastings, Billy J. Charles, Larry Scott and Dudley Hughes.

Chamber of Commerce President is Kenneth Gauntt.

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## Corn Producers Are Preparing For Battle

If Texas corn farmers destroyed one-third of this year's crop, the total 1981 Southwest corn supply would be about the same as if Commodity Credit Corporation had not imported 45 million bushels of corn from Minnesota, Iowa and Wisconsin to the area.

Grain Sorghum Producers Association and Texas Corn Growers Association (GSPA and TCGA) are opposing CCC's sale of this imported corn in the area. GSPA Executive Director Elbert Harp stated, "We believe CCC's sale of this corn in our area to be one of the most damaging actions USDA has ever taken in a regional market. We also believe it to be illegal."

GSPA and TCGA have established a fund to finance legal action against USDA unless this policy is reversed. Corn and sorghum farmers are contributing to the fund at a rate of \$250.00 per million pounds of production. (A "million pound" producer stands to lose up to \$5,000.00 because of these sales.)

ambulance services in the state, is the home of the first Sherley-Anderson-Pitman Elevator ever constructed, and is also the home of "Bull Town Days," an annual event which recalls Bovina as the leading cattle shipping town in America.

Welcome to Bovina, Texas.

Checks should be mailed to: Legal Fund, Grain Sorghum Producers Association, Box R, Abernathy, Texas 79311.

The two producer organizations have employed the firm of McWhorter, Cobb and Johnson of Lubbock, Texas to represent them. Primary attorneys in the case will be David Langston, Tom Johnson and Jack Driskill.

Langston became widely known as assistant to Congressman George Mahon prior to Mahon's retirement in 1979. Johnson and Driskill were selected for their successful experience in other cases involving USDA. In Washington, the group will be represented by Graham Purcell, former Texas congressman and vice-chairman of the House Agriculture Committee. Additional Washington representation is anticipated.

Harp encourages producers to call him at 806-298-2543 for more information.

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# Joe & Reagan Looney Look Back On 57 Years In Area

Joe and Reagan Looney have spent the past 57 years in and around Bovina and they are still another pair of pioneers who forged the way in the flat, prairie lands of young Parmer County.

Reagan came to Bovina in 1916 and Joe came in 1920. They were married in 1923 in Bovina and raised three children here.

Howard Reagan Looney, who lives in Clovis now, D.C. Looney, who is deceased and June Gay Looney McMeans of Amarillo, all attended school in Bovina, as did their mother.

Reagan attended school in Pleasant Hill and at Farwell.

Joe recalls that they rode horses much of their young lives and often they got lost. It was not that difficult as most of the time there was only a mule trail in which to follow and if a person got on the wrong mule trail they might get to Muleshoe before they could right themselves.

Back in pioneer days, there was a wagon yard in Bovina, and of course, the headquarters of the great XIT Ranch. Other businesses included a large mercantile store, where all

supplies and groceries were purchased, a small restaurant, hotel and believe it or not, the Post Office was in the Ezell's home. Wonder if that had anything to do with Gene's choice of professions?

At one time there were several doctors in Bovina, and the school house was a brick building which had been built on to several times before it finally burned down.

Although this was prairie country, many of the early settlers bought small acreages just as Joe's father, D.C. Vassey did and had hopes that they could plant something on the land and it would grow. These were hard times for the early pioneers and many times they had to give up and move on.

The winters were bitter cold and there were not many shrubs or mesquite bushes to break up the cold north winds when they came rolling over the plains.

Times were tough, but they were tough for everyone. Joe says they knew no different.

The Reagan Looneys lived with R.D. Looney and family (Reagan's parents) for four years after they were married and when Joe got her first home, a one room house, she was overjoyed. "It wasn't much, but I was so proud of it." It still stands not far from the place where they now live.

She said that the house was very modest with linoleum floors, a coal oil stove, one double bed and single bed for the boys and a baby bed for June, which was situated at the foot of the double bed. There was also one small closet.

Joe said they had 30 cows and, in 1935, they saved enough milk and egg money that they were able to afford 1/2 section of land, which they bought from Joe's father. Some of the money had to be borrowed from the bank but they finally were able to own land of their own.

Today, the Looneys own 2,000 acres of land and 13 wells, which is a great tribute to their persistence and fortitude.

It was during the time that Reagan and Joe bought their land that several farmers went broke and their land had to go back to the mortgage holders. It was a sad, hard time. Joe said that had it not been for the cows they could never have afforded to buy their land.

Clothing was made from chicken feed sacks and each child had one pair of shoes to last until they wore out. Most of the time, kids went barefooted.

Bedding was homemade and food of all types was canned, including meats.

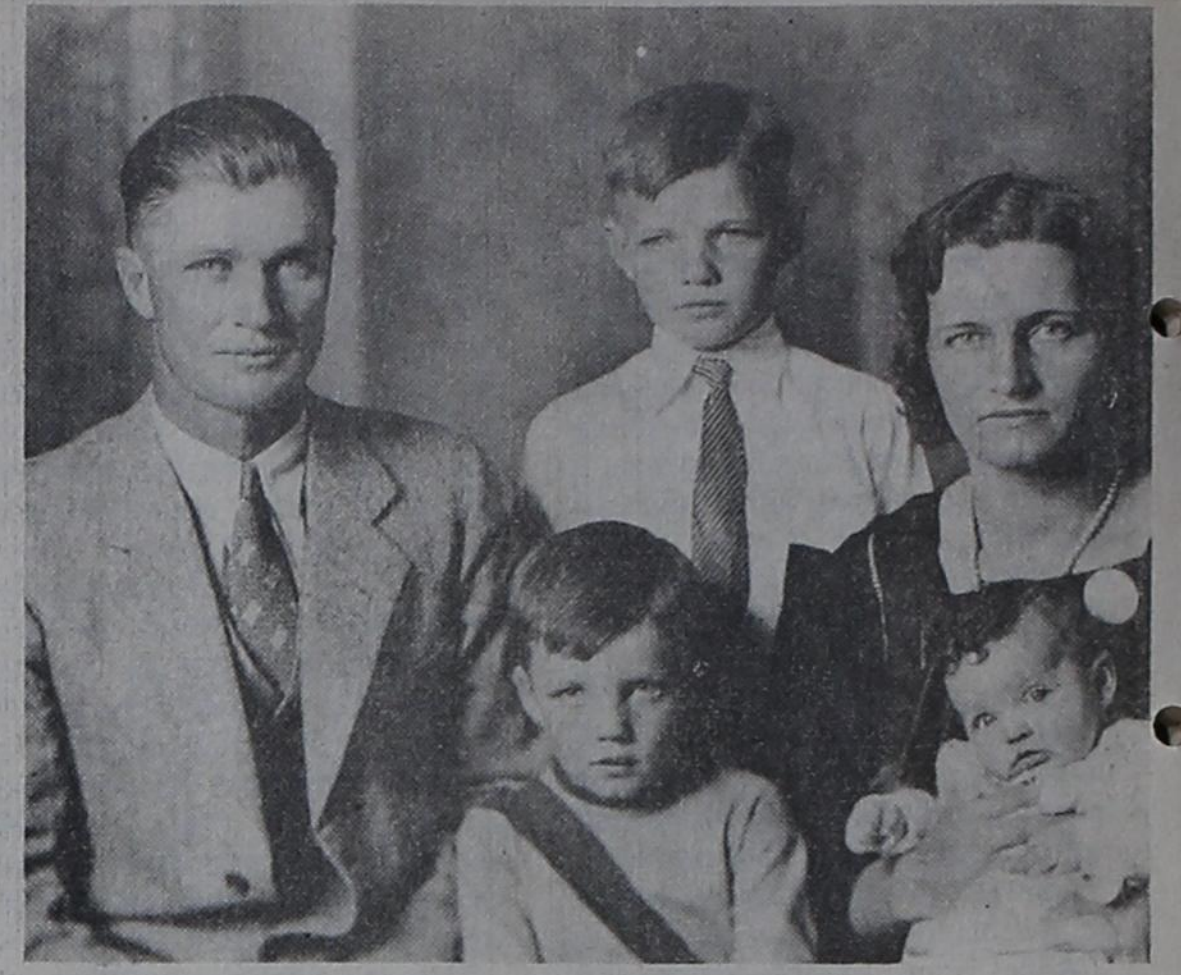
Joe said they would travel to Portales and get tomatoes then they would go to the sandhills south of Farwell and get plums for preserves.

But they never worried about whether they would make it or not. Reagan bought an insurance policy on the farm so that if anything happened to him, Joe would have the farm and a means by which to make a living.

When they first married, the Looneys suffered through a drought which hit the plains and did not make a dime off their crop that year. It was that year that many local men had to take other jobs away from their farming in order to make money to support their families. Reagan worked with the highway department and later he started working on windmills. He can still recall most of the names of the local windmills.

Names of windmills, you say? Indeed, each windmill was known by a name, and many hours of cool pleasure were spent in the pools of windmills, recalls Joe.

Besides Reagan's ability to work with windmills, he is also an



Reagan Looney, Lucy Howard Vassey Looney, Howard Reagan Looney, D.C. Looney and June Gay Looney McMeans.



BASKETBALL PLAYERS....Shown is a basketball team, what year we are not sure, and their coach, A.V. Warren. This photograph was donated by Mrs. Lillian Warren. Players on the back row, from left to right are: Mary Alice Englant, Janean Ellison, A.V. Warren, Dorothy Mormon and Pat Read. Front row, left to right, Jodie Houston, Irma Jo Englant, Bonnie Warren, Sara Marie Venable and Jeannie Kerby.

accomplished trapper. He even spent one winter in Palo Duro Canyon as a trapper, says Joe.

Joe recalled that one of the most tragic occurrences to happen in Bovina was when three members of the Jesse Jones family died in a drowning accident between Pleasant Hill and Bovina.

One of the women got too far away from a raft which she was holding onto and when the two others saw she was in danger they tried to rescue her but they all died. Joe's father and brother dived to retrieve the bodies and were finally successful after several attempts.

Joe is a pioneer member of the Bovina First Baptist Church where she became a member in 1921.

She was born in Wilbarger County, Texas at a community named Odell and Reagan is a native of Ennis, Texas. Joe was born in 1906 and Reagan was born in 1901.

The stories Joe can tell would make anyone glad they never lived such a hard, lonely life, but she feels that the

hard times were not so unbearable. Joe still recalled that they had fun at the various ranches in the area and alot of the time they would throw big parties and dance, which were alot of fun.

Every now and then the Looneys would slip off to Clovis to see a movie. But much of the time, the fun was centered around what one could find at home to have fun at. "We had to have fun at home, because we had no money to go anywhere else," said Joe.

After 57 years and many obstacles, Joe and Reagan Looney can now look back and take pride in knowing they managed to make it in a time when so many others did not. It is because of such pioneers as the Looneys that there are towns such as Bovina, Hereford, Farwell and Friona.

For, it was their faith, their persistence, their pride and their loyalty that molded this country into what it is. They represent all that is right about America.

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# Bill Venable Recalls Life In Early Parmer County

By JANET WILKE

Bill Venable has lived for 92 years and for about 60 or so years of that time, he resided in Parmer County. He recalled many aspects of pioneer life for us in an interview with him, and later, in talking with his daughter, who gave us additional information.

Venable was born in 1889 in Calladiger, Alabama, which, he says, is near Oxford and Anderson and his family moved to Texas when Bill was three years old.

They resided in Erath County, in 1892 and lived there until he moved here in 1920.

Bill married at the tender age of 17, and he was the baby of his family. He and Ola Fulfer, who was 16 at the time of their marriage, were married

by Brother Mauldin, and the newlyweds moved in with Bill's parents, then later they moved in with the Fulfers. They lived there for a year, while Bill farmed with Mr. Fulfer. It was there that their first child was born.

Opal was born on August 25, 1907, and she was the first of seven children the Venables would have. In 1910 a son Winzie was born but he died two and one-half years later. Then, Fern came along in 1913. In 1917, Marguerite was born and then Billie Jean followed her, in 1920. Lillian was born in 1923 and another son, Russell, was born in 1927, but he was born dead. So it was just the five girls for the Venable family.

The Venables farmed fifty acres of land and lived in a two room house

with a side room until 1915, then in 1920, Bill moved his family to Bovina, where they had to wait awhile on the house because a family was living in it at the time.

Bill worked for the public for awhile before he hired on with Press Abbott, later in the same year. Well, the Venables worked for Abbott from February until June but they could not find a house to live in so Bill moved his family to Swisher County, to Tulia, and they stayed there from June to August, when Bill received a letter from Press Abbott, stating that he would pay Bill \$100.00 per month if he would move back to Bovina and work for him. Well, I guess the temptation was more than Bill could bare, as he moved his family back to Bovina and they settled down once again.

Bill came back and did freight work for Abbott, using six mules and three wagons. Bill hauled the first load of lumber to Hub to build the first house ever on the Dimmitt Road, and he and Mulkey Ezell, Gene's brother, also made the first road from Bovina to the Castro County

line. They used a small road grader, which was mule powered and Ezell operated the grader as Bill worked the mules.

Venable worked for Abbott for about 1 1/2 years, when he rented a quarter section of land south of Bovina from John Stagner, and began farming operations, also buying half interest in Stagner's cattle holdings.

The family lived there for a year, then they moved to the place Mr. Crowley farmed. The Crowley place had a good house with a bathroom on the side, but in the year, Crowley sold that place to R.E. Sikes. So, Bill rented the place from Sikes for the next four years until it sold to Bill McQueen in 1925.

Bill farmed the place for McQueen from 1925 until 1952, when he moved to town, and then rented a farm from Homer Martin, which he farmed for four years. After that, he sold all of his farm machinery and retired. But, he never became inactive because after he left the farming business he then bought and built rent houses.

In 1965, Ola died and Bill was forced to exist alone in the home they had made for themselves some 30 years earlier, but he managed to live alone for seven years, cooking and taking care of himself.

But, now his daughters come in and take care of him and do the things he can no longer do for



Bill and Ola Venable

himself. But, Bill is still very active and his mind is still just as sharp as a tack. He admits he is still looking forward to his next birthday, when he will be 93.

His four daughters see to it that he is well taken care of. They are Opal Spring of Friona, Marguerite Lindsay of Odessa, Billie Jean Westmoreland of Kermit and Lillian McDonald of Denver, Colorado. Bill has eleven grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

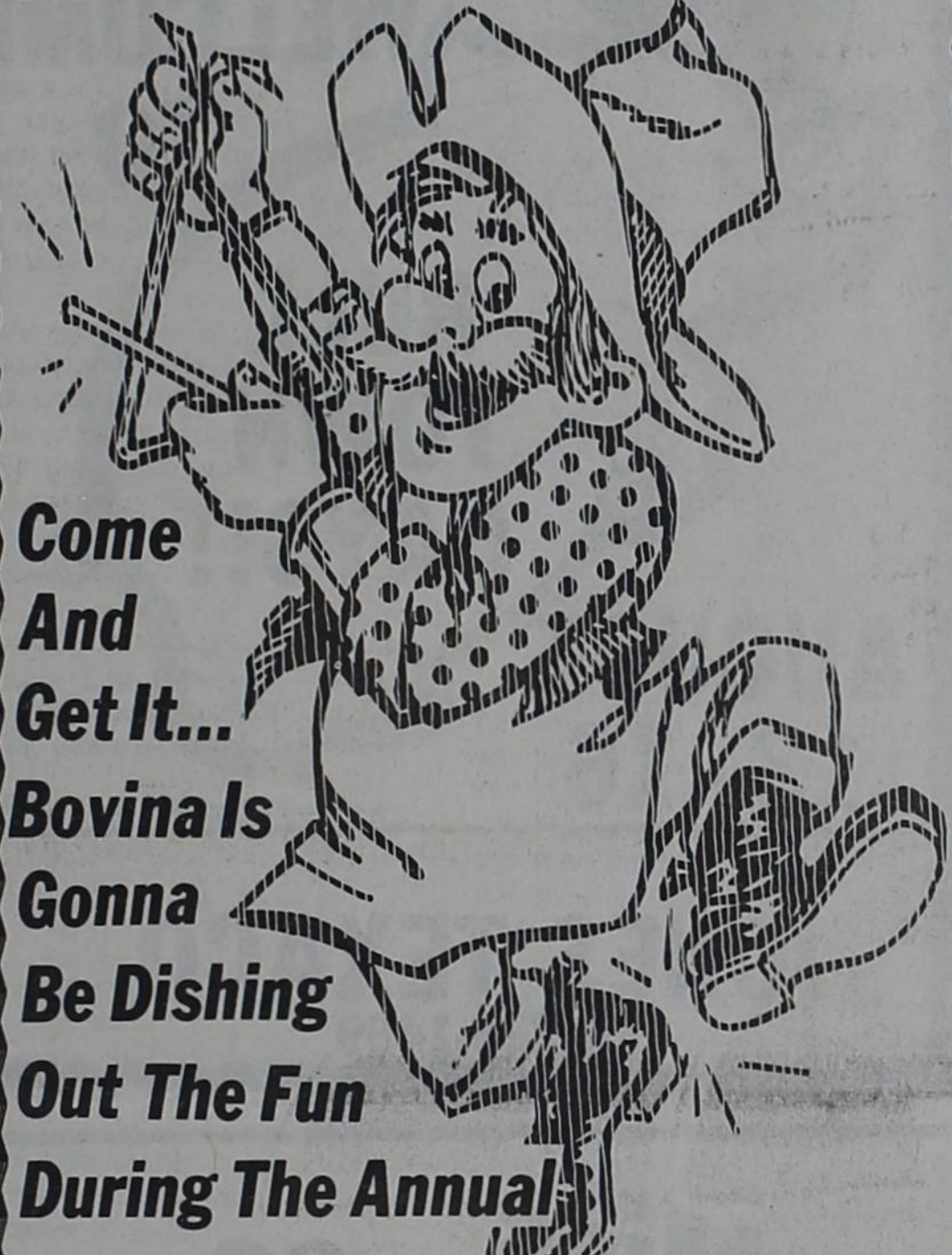
It was the strength and determination that made pioneers such as Bill Venable come to Parmer County to begin a new life, and it was sheer courage that kept them out here. I am sure that they had ample opportunities and an abundance of

reasons why they could have left this place for a better way of life, but they stayed and endured the hardships so that life out here in the Plains wilderness could be better for their children and grandchildren and maybe even great-grandchildren.

It was the fortitude of such people as Bill Venable and countless others, who forged our way of life and made the cities and towns such as Bovina, Friona and Farwell and counties such as Parmer, Deaf Smith and Bailey.

To those people, many of whom are already gone to their reward, we owe an unrepayable debt of gratitude.

For, it was their courage, humor, strength, stamina and faith which made all of this possible.



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The Company will display collection canisters in all 207 Allsup's Convenience Stores throughout New Mexico, Texas and Oklahoma. "This is a very important part of fund raising prior to the telethon," said Verlei.

"The Association receives no tax supported grants nor does it seek or receive fees from patients or their families," Verlei added, "Their programs are funded almost entirely by private contributors and corporations and, of course, through the Labor Day Telethon."

The Muscular Dystrophy Association is currently seeking causes and cures for 40 crippling neuromuscular related disorders. Free diagnostic services, therapeutic and rehabilitative follow-up care are provided by Muscular Dystrophy Association's 230 clinics at no cost to any individual suffering from one of the diseases covered by the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

Allsup's will also be conducting the Allsup's Doorbell Brigade. Area youngsters are encouraged, on August 29 and 30, to visit their local Allsup's store and pick up a collection packet. After collecting donations for Jerry's kids and returning them to the store, Allsup's will give them a free fountain drink of their choice. Verlei said, "We thank our customers in advance for their generosity and look forward to working with area youngsters in the fight against Muscular Dystrophy."



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# Senior Citizens Group Not Just A Bunch Of Old Fogies

By JANET WILKE

It may not be this way everywhere...but the senior citizens in Bovina are not just a bunch of old fogies. They are as active as any organization in town.

They have a dinner the first Saturday night of each month, then they have a birthday party the second Wednesday of each month for the citizens who have birthdays, and then on the last Wednesday of each month they have a luncheon at noon for the membership.

For the members of the group who cannot make it to the luncheon, other members carry out plates to them. But, if they are able to come, they are urged to attend.

The main objective of the Senior Citizens organization is to get all people 55 or older involved, and for entertainment. According to some members if it wasn't for the Senior Citizens get-togethers, they would not have any recreation at all. This is the only organization in town in which people from all walks of life can come and enjoy themselves, without discrimination about their color, religion, or sex.

The only requirement is they be 55 or older. But, visitors are very welcome.

The members are currently keeping the Center open on Tuesday and

## Bond Sales Are Released

Sales of Series EE & HH United States Savings Bonds in Parmer County were reported by County Bond Chairman Charles E. Allen to be \$2,608 for June. Sales for the first six month period totaled \$16,199 for 19 per cent of the 1981 goal of \$85,000.

Texas sales during the month amounted to \$19,405,052, while sales for the first six months of 1981 totaled \$134,428,031 with 53 per cent of the yearly sales goal of \$252.3 million achieved.

Thursday afternoons and all day Wednesday so their counterparts can come and enjoy the use of the facilities.

Presently the women are piecing a quilt for Mary Lou Elliott of Lubbock, and they are asking \$200 for the job, which is minimal. They just finished two quilts for Gladys Stagner's sons. Mrs. Stagner had made the tops back in the 1930's and left them undone until recently, when the ladies got them and finished them for the boys.

They usually charge from \$35 and up on their quilting and there are usually 10-20 who work on the quilts. It has been said that the Senior Citizens who work on the quilts are some of the best quilters in the community.

While the women quilt, the men play dominoes, "42" and Skip Bo, as well as do some of the odd jobs around the Center. They also play active games, such as a version of "pin the tail on the donkey" which involves less pinning, but more activity, such as walking around the room, braying as a donkey.

For so many older Bovinians, there was little to do to pass the day before the Center came about. And, as Bessie Trimble puts it, "It is a great benefit to a lot of people who are restricted to their homes and not able to participate in very many other activities. We aid the vehicleless by providing transportation, not only to our meetings, but also to the doctor, grocery store, etc. We have activities every day except Sunday."

This project could not have been funded had it not been for the support of the entire Bovina community. Many contributions of large sums of money were given to the Center, and much of the money was given without expecting a repayment. But, seeing the looks on the faces of the people who benefit from this Center is benefit enough.

With only a small amount left to go to have their building paid for, the Senior Citizens group has nothing but

better times ahead of them.

Their building was finished in 1979, with help in part from Title III, which gave them additional monies. Coordinator for this project was Minnie Kelso. She engineered the PRPC and Title III people into giving the money to the Center for various things, including office equipment, tables, chairs, etc.

At the present time, the members are planning a booth at Bull Town Days, which will feature hand-made goods, such as quilts, embroidery, etc.

Members of the finance committee are currently looking into future projects for the group. Members of the committee are chairman Travis Hancock, Buck Ellison, Levi Johnson, Frances King and Mary Richards.

On Wednesday, the members are going to be in the process of canning apricots and apples for the Center. Anything extra will be sold. Later they plan on canning vegetables for the Center.

Minnie Kelso remarked that had she known what it would have meant earlier to be involved in the Senior Citizens group, she would have been working toward this long ago, even before she retired. This is a very common sentiment from the members. They realize what is being accomplished by not only their efforts, but also by the efforts of those persons who are not yet old enough to use the Center. You might say, they are putting their treasures up ahead of time, so they can use them in their old age. Many of the Senior Citizens who use this place hope that others in the community will see the need to come ahead and get involved in building the Center, and helping it to grow.

The Senior Citizens organization has a Board of Trustees, and president of the Board is Buck Ellison. Vice president is Rev. J.J. Terry, secretary is Bessie Trimble, and reporter is Ola Epperly.

There are about sixty members who

are paid and in good standing with

the membership who attend the meetings. They are Vergie Adams, Dorothy Albright, G.A. Bandy, Mrs. Joe Bell, Von and Opel Bowen, Bill and Erma Bradshaw, Hattie Burnett, Lavern Brownlow, French and Nellie Crook, Irene Crawford, Bessie Davies, Anna and Earl Derrick, P.O. and Ella Dixon, C.R. Elliott, Buck and Dorothy Ellison, Charis Eubanks, H.T. and Ruby Edwards, Maesie Flynn, Willie and Ethel Gipson, James and Sophie Gillean, Oma Gunn, Travis Hancock, Katherine Hancock, Ewell and Maxine Hart, Mae Hoppingardner, Sophie Hromas, Carol Dean Huggins, Levi and Ethel Johnson, Howard and Minnie Kelso, Elbert Kelley, A.C. and Louva Kersey, Frances King, Clifford and Julia Leake, Velma and Wylie Lide, Sid Lloyd, Reagan and Joe Looney.

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The next luncheon is July 29 at the Senior Citizens building, and all who are 55 and over are cordially invited to attend.

The oldest member of the group is Bill Venable, at 92, and the youngest is Frances King, and she's not telling her age.

If you are not familiar with the Senior Citizens group, you should go out there and join in...but be prepared.

They may run you ragged.



LARGE GROUP OF SENIORS.....Shown in this photograph is the membership of the Bovina Senior Citizens organization. There are several members in the organization, which is one of the largest and the most active in the area.

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# Life In Law Enforcement Kept Haunting Atchley



MR. and MRS. JERRY ATCHLEY

By JANET WILKE  
Parmer County Deputy Sheriff Jerry Atchley has tried to run from the law several times, but it finally caught up with him. And, the people of Parmer County are, no doubt, pleased that it did.

In a recent interview with Jerry and his wife, Gloria, we found out that Jerry had done several things other than being a law enforcement officer his whole career through, and at one time, he tried to get out of wearing a gun and badge forever.

"It was while I was police chief at Shamrock. I really liked the job and was doing a good job, when city elections took place and a new mayor and city council decided to clean house and they threw out everyone who was on the city payroll."

Well, it was then that Jerry Atchley decided to never be an officer of the law again.

For awhile he entered private business in Amarillo. He ran a family entertainment center until dope got to be so bad that he had to close the place down.

After that, he did go back into a form of law enforcement for about nine months, as a private investigator in Amarillo, working with the Dave Kelly Investigation Service, which is reputed to be one of the best.

After his stint with Kelly, Jerry went back to restaurant work for about six months.

Then he met Gloria. They met in Olsen Park Baptist Church, where they were both involved with the Sunday School program.

Gloria was a young divorcee, with

two small girls to raise on her own. Jerry had been married but was divorced, and his former wife had left him just about destitute. For awhile, he was running into trouble, and had to, at one time, steal food in order to keep body and soul together. But, recalls Atchley, he repaid the grocer from whom he stole the food.

Gloria was employed with Southwestern Investment Corporation at the time she and Jerry met, and she knew he was kind of down on his luck.

It wasn't until Jerry began having an uncontrollable urge to get back into law enforcement that he wrote a letter to the Deaf Smith County sheriff and received a reply that told Jerry that he really knew what he was doing. The sheriff said that he had heard that there was an opening for a patrol officer in Friona, and encouraged Jerry to apply. Well, at first, Jerry was a bit skeptical and did not heed the advice. But, when the man called Jerry a second time and gave encouragement to go after the Friona job, Jerry decided he at least owed the man this much.

So, Jerry interviewed for the Friona job, and got it. The Atchleys were married September 20, 1972 in Amarillo, and moved to Friona immediately afterwards. Jerry stayed in Friona for five years. And, had it not been for the faith in him by another person, Jerry Atchley might never have come back into law enforcement.

Atchley was then directed to Bovina, where a job as City Marshal was open. He saw this as a step up and took the job. So, for 2½ years, Atchley served as their Marshal. It was then that Jerry became friends with the late Henry Minter.

Minter was a Parmer County Deputy Sheriff, and he served this county for 23 years as a peace officer. He died in 1980. But, it was Henry who suggested to Jerry that he take over the deputy job when he retired. So, Jerry did.

On April 7, 1980, Jerry Atchley became a member of Parmer County Sheriff's Department.

Jerry confesses that his mother begged him not to go into law enforcement, and so did one of his best friends, but the desire had been inside him since childhood and he felt led by the Lord to serve in this way.

Jerry Atchley grew up in Mangum, Oklahoma and Gloria grew up all over the country and world, as she was the child of an Air Force man.

The Atchleys have raised two daughters, Kathi Williams, who is 29 and has one son, and lives in Stillwater, Oklahoma, and Ruth Green, 27, who lives in Dalhart.

Jerry stays busy with his job, but when he is off he really relaxes in style. He lists his ability to cook well as one of his favorite hobbies and says he thinks all men should know how to cook. He also likes to do woodcraft, and especially enjoys working with boys. His eventual dream is to have a Boys Club here so boys can come and learn how to relate to each other better.

Gloria, when she got married to Jerry, realized that her life would be one of being alone...she would have to spend much of her time in the house babysitting the radio. But, she really takes it all in stride. She, too, has hobbies and is an ardent operetta fan.

Gloria gets emotional when the prospect of losing Jerry is brought up. She explains her feelings this way. "When he walks out the door I pray. If it is the Lord's will, He will take care of him and bring him home. It takes patience, love, understanding his position, and being able to be by yourself to be a good officer's wife. Usually, also, you are his only true friend. You just have to support him."

Jerry also adds that officers have to love their work and be very dedicated to it in order to press onward.

The Atchleys admittedly do not socialize much and this is due to the



JOEL WILLIFORD  
FFA News

By BRET WHITTEN  
Reporter

Joel Williford is an FFA member who moved to Bovina in September, 1980. He had been an FFA member in Clovis, New Mexico before moving to Bovina. Joel is sixteen years old and is the son of Terry and Vickie Stull. He has one sister, Gail, who also attends Bovina Schools.

In the Clovis, New Mexico FFA Chapter, Joel received the 1980 Home and Farm Improvement Award. He likes to train horses and ride bulls at rodeos. He says he likes the opportunities Vocational Agriculture offer and the shop skills he learns.

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fact that they feel that sometimes friends want special favors when they are dealing with law enforcement officers, and even when a friend breaks the law, an officer is still an officer. "We still have to arrest our friends," says Jerry.

Jerry's main duties are to investigate and report crimes, serve papers, help in jail operations, help in bailiff court, and transport prisoners.

His usual hours are 8-5 twelve days on duty and two days off. It wasn't until recently that the sheriff's deputies got the two days off. Deputies are also on 24 hours call.

Gloria also helps pass the time by being a volunteer to the ambulance service, where she works at home as a dispatcher. Most of the calls come to the Atchley house anyway, so she can just call out the ambulance service without much problem.

Larry Mitchell, president of the Bovina Ambulance Service, says that Gloria is a real life saver for those persons on the service. He said, "Gloria and Jerry always felt guilty because they were not able to actively take part on the runs and things, but when Gloria volunteered to serve as dispatcher, she did the most important service of all...she took the responsibility of caring for the radio away from the members of the service so they could relax and enjoy their families, and took this responsibility upon herself to be there and answer the calls. This is an awfully big job for anyone, and she and Jerry have done a super job of it."

To become an officer, a person must be 18 or older, have a high school education or the equivalent of, possess a clean criminal record, and to be a sheriff's deputy, one must also be accepted by a department, attend an eight week long training session, usually held in Amarillo for those persons from this area, and they must also work one full year before they are a certified law enforcement officer.

Also, any person who is interested in becoming a peace officer must be an American citizen.

Jerry graduated from the second Law Enforcement Academy in Amarillo. Sheriff Bill Morgan graduated from the first academy there.

Atchley says the nicknames he gets don't bother him...with the exception of the nickname "pig." He says, also, that domestic problems are the hardest calls which a police officer must handle.

Jerry has had a few close calls, and is likely to have more if he stays in this business.

One of the more memorable incidences was the time he got cut up trying to break up a fight in Bovina,

while he was still City Marshal.

The fracas involved two girls, one local, one from Old Mexico. He received the call that there was a fight taking place on a parking lot. So, he went down to the place the alleged fight was taking place and there was a gang of farm workers, from across the border in Mexico, standing around cheering on their girl.

Well, Jerry managed to pull the two girls apart, when the sister of one of the girls began attacking Jerry with a jagged, torn up Coke can. Jerry reached to retrieve the can, when the girl slashed his hand with the can.

Well, another local girl entered the scene and asked Jerry if he needed assistance and he said to get Henry Minter, so the girl went to Minter's house and got him to come down. Minter, meanwhile also called the DPS officers in the area to assist him.

Atchley remembers that if it hadn't been for a group of Bovina teenagers, he would have probably been killed. The parents of the girl who attacked him came up and the Bovina kids fended off the gang until more help arrived.

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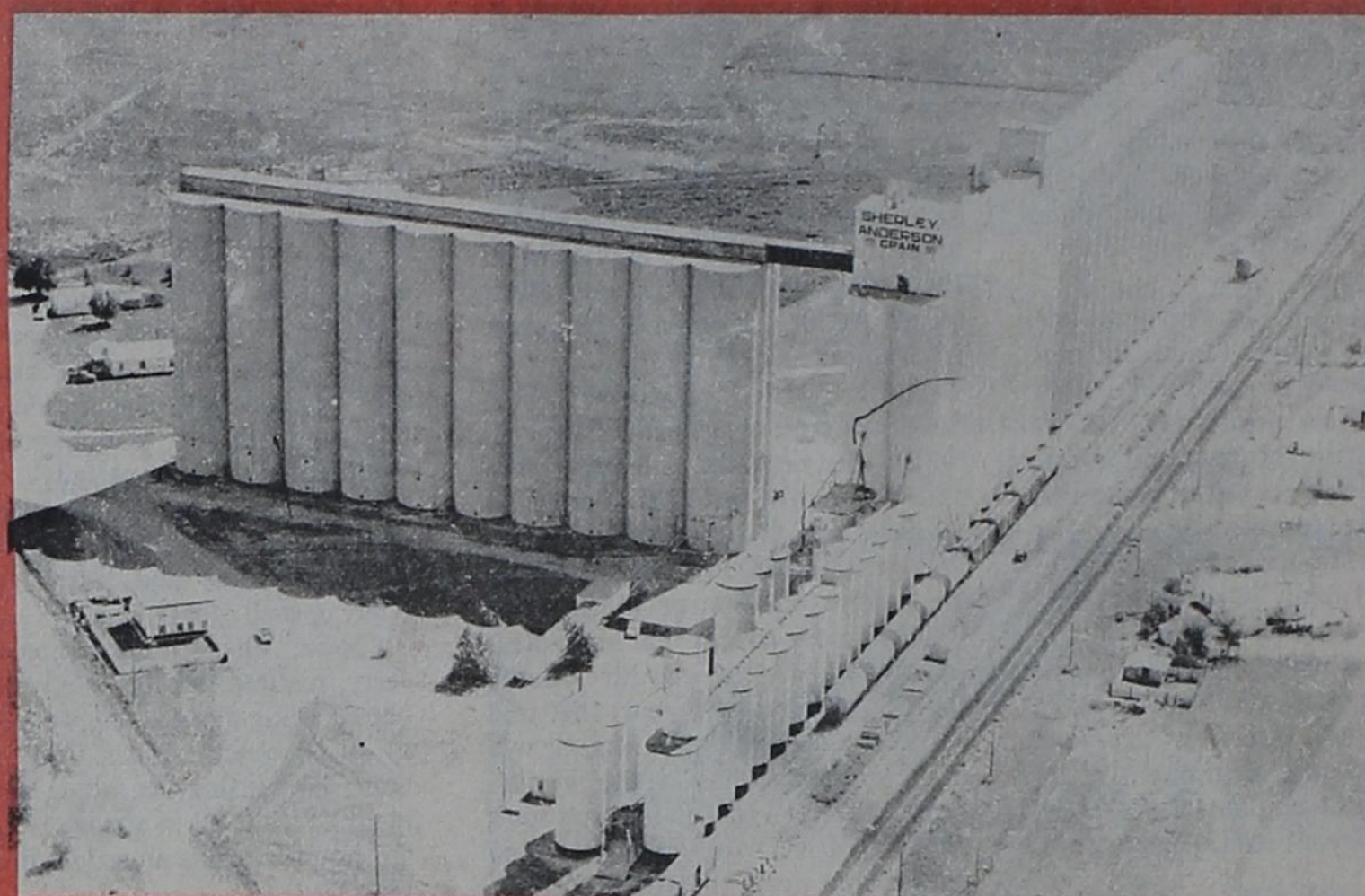
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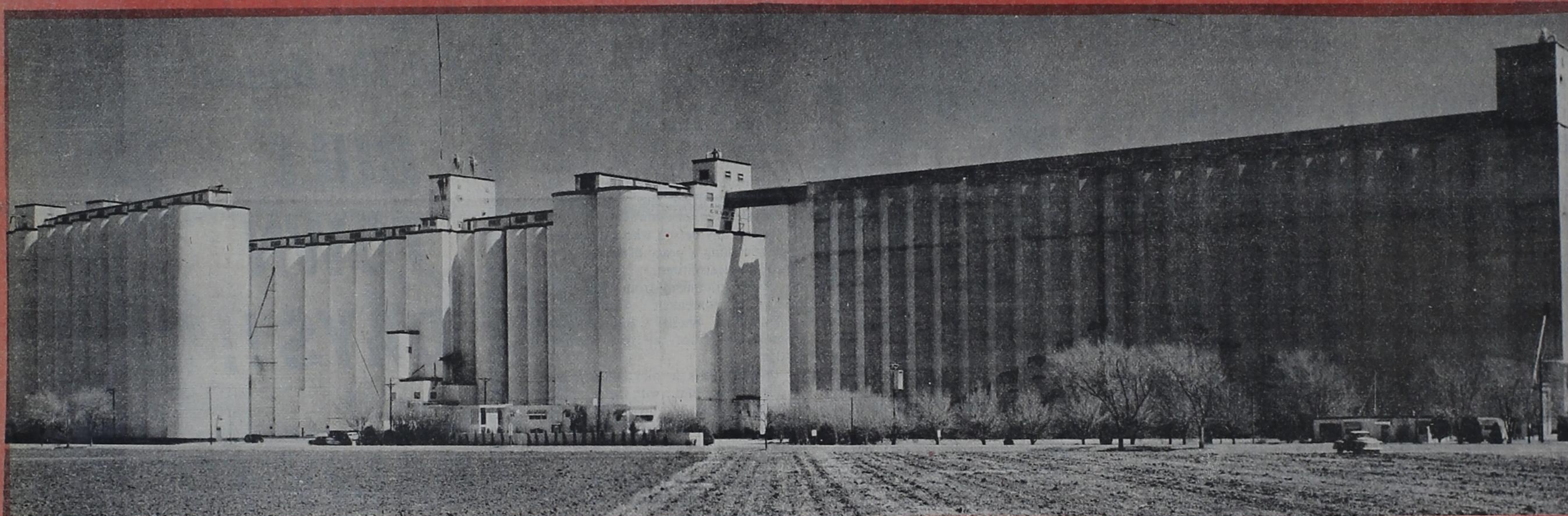
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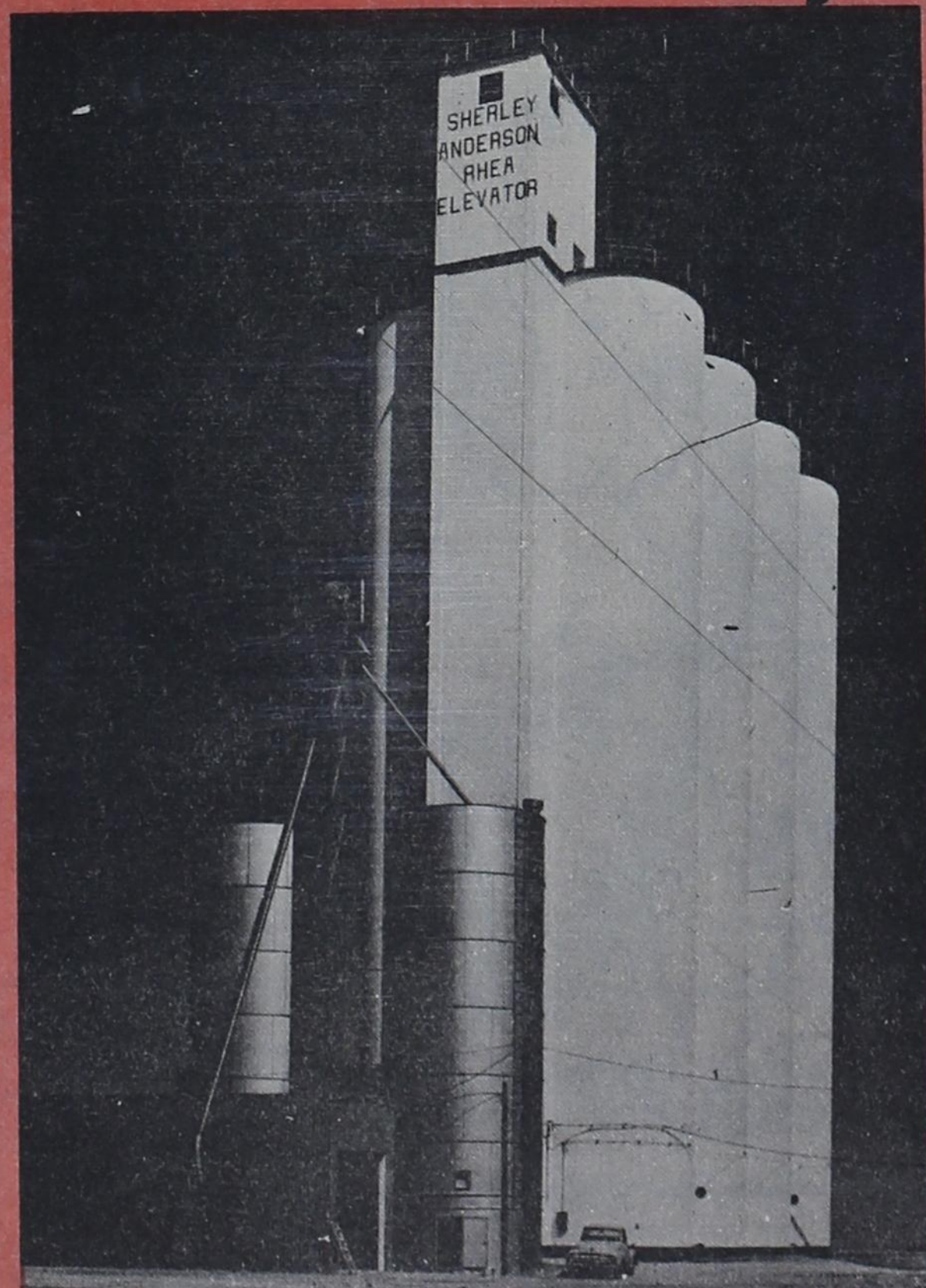


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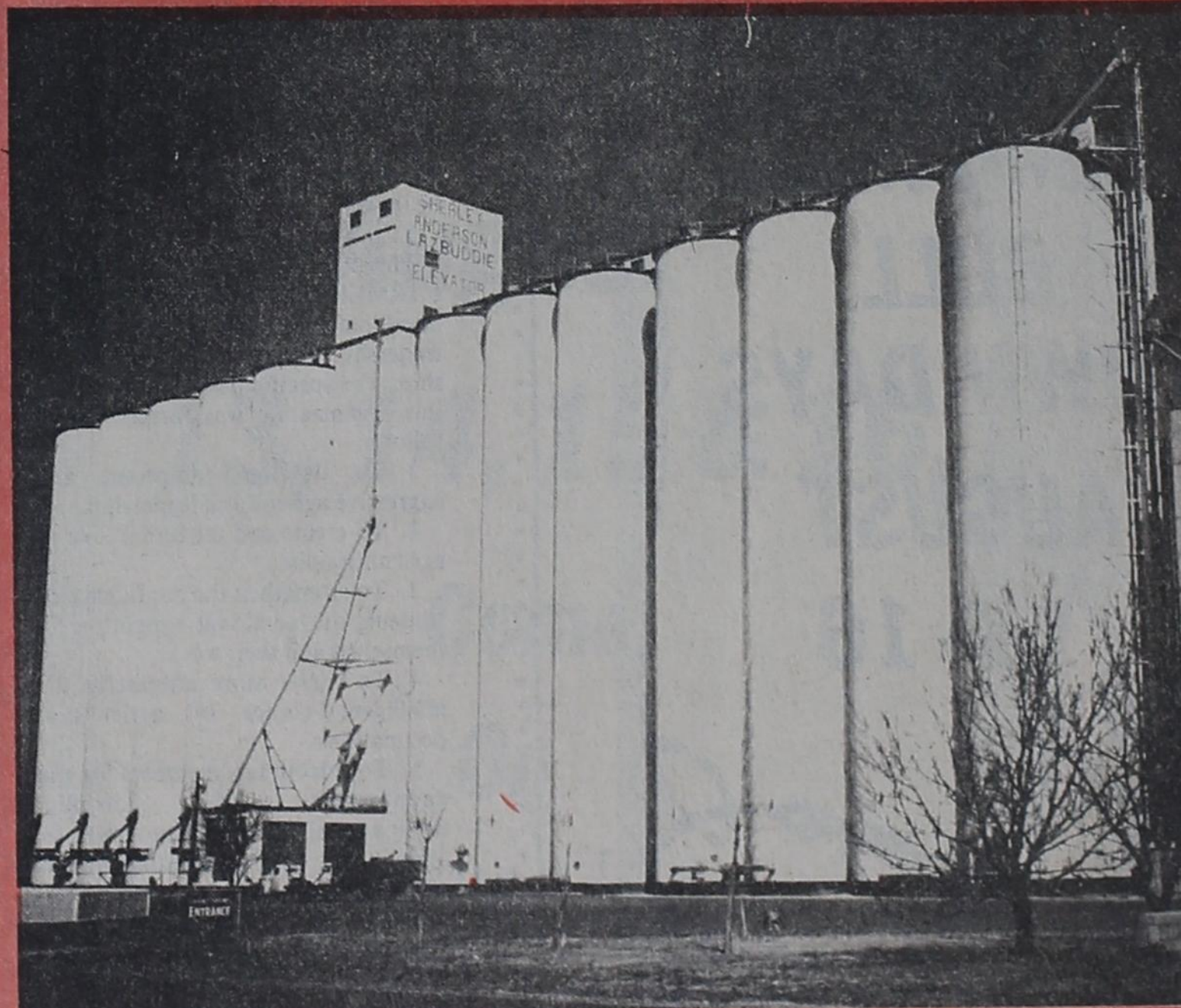
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