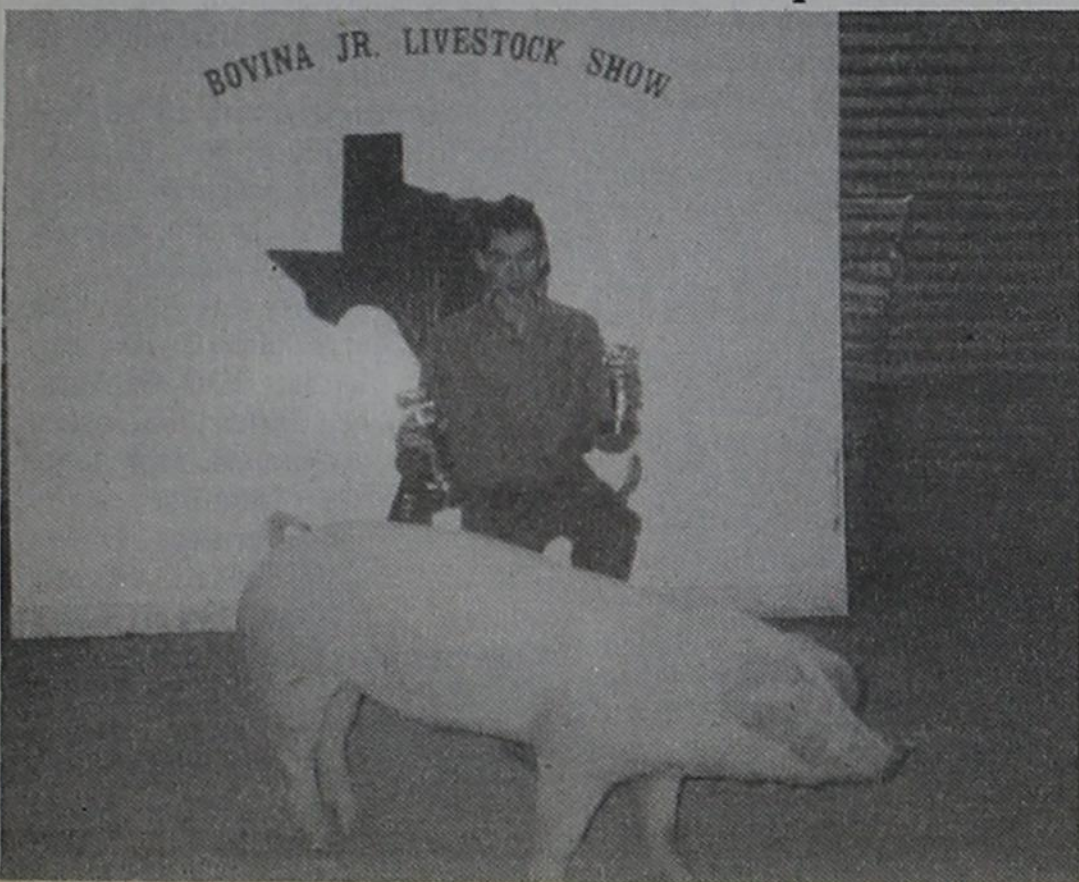


**GRAND CHAMPION LAMB....**Luke Steelman is shown here with his lamb that was named Grand Champion of the Bovina Junior Livestock Show held last Thursday. He also exhibited the Reserve Grand Champion Lamb.



**RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION....**The Chester White barrow exhibited by Eric Shufelberger in last week's Bovina Junior Livestock Show was named Reserve Grand Champion.

**NEWS ITEM:** ABC-TV bumps longtime sportscaster Frank Gifford. You probably know that Gifford was caught in a hotel room last year with someone other than wife, Kathy Lee.

**COMMENT:** Is it possible that ABC-TV has higher morals than the average American voter, who returned Bill Clinton to office? Looks like that could be the case.

## Bull Town Bulletins

By Bill Ellis



Clinton has been concerned about his "place in history." Just off the cuff, we might suggest that Clinton will go down as the biggest sleaze-bag we've ever had as president, and if this is the type of person American voters want as our president, rather than a World War II hero, then folks of my generation are in for a sad time of it for the rest of our lives.

**FOR 36 years,** Ye Editor has been a member of the Lions Club, and as such, have signed up to donate my eyes to be transplanted (at least in parts), after I am through using them. Imagine my surprise when in late 1997 my ophthalmologist recommended that I have not only cataract surgery, but a corneal transplant.

Those of us in Lions clubs in this area have had close ties with the Hi-Plains Eye Bank, headquartered in Amarillo. The Eye Bank has served as a center for securing eyes which can be used in surgery, and has urged Lions members and their spouses and friends to sign a donor card, so their eyes may be used in this manner.

It had never occurred to me that I might turn out to be on the "receiving" end of a corneal transplant, rather than as the donor that I had intended to be.

After considering the matter for awhile, I gave my approval to be put on the waiting list for the transplant.

In my case, the wait wasn't too terribly long. I had been on the list just over three months. I really expected to be called during last fall's big football season, since the operation puts you "out of circulation" for awhile. Making it through that, my next expectation was to be notified just in time to miss the bus trip to Branson. But I must have been a good boy, since this didn't happen either.

When I did get my first call, it was a frustrating time, to say the least. I got the call on December 22. At this particular time, there was around 10 inches of snow on the ground, complete with ice, road hazards, etc.

The doctor's office called to ask if I could possibly have the operation on Christmas Eve. I replied that I didn't mind messing up my Christmas as much as I wondered if we could get back and forth on the roads to Amarillo, but I gave them a tentative okay. A few minutes later, the doctor called back and said I shouldn't take chances with the highways being like they were. After all, this wasn't a life-threatening situation (merely a career-threatening one!).

Then some three weeks later, I got another chance, and went ahead with the operation. It's too soon at this point to know how successful it may have been. They say it could take from six weeks to six months to see improvement. That's quite a stretch for someone who hates to hold the 'phone for more than three rings.

Here's a big **THANK YOU!** to all of my staff members who are helping get things done at the newspaper office, as well as to my Number One Care-Giver, 'Mama Carol.' She promised to stick with me for "better or worse," but she probably wasn't expecting quite as much of the "worse" as I have served up for her lately.

Meantime, I hope you'll get a donor label and affix it to your driver's license. You can't ever tell---the life (or eyesight) that you save might be one of your neighbors!

## Livestock Auction To Be Saturday

The Parmer County Junior Livestock Show is currently underway at the Friona Community Center-Showbarn and will continue through January 24.

Saturday morning the steer show begins at 8 a.m. followed by the heifer show.

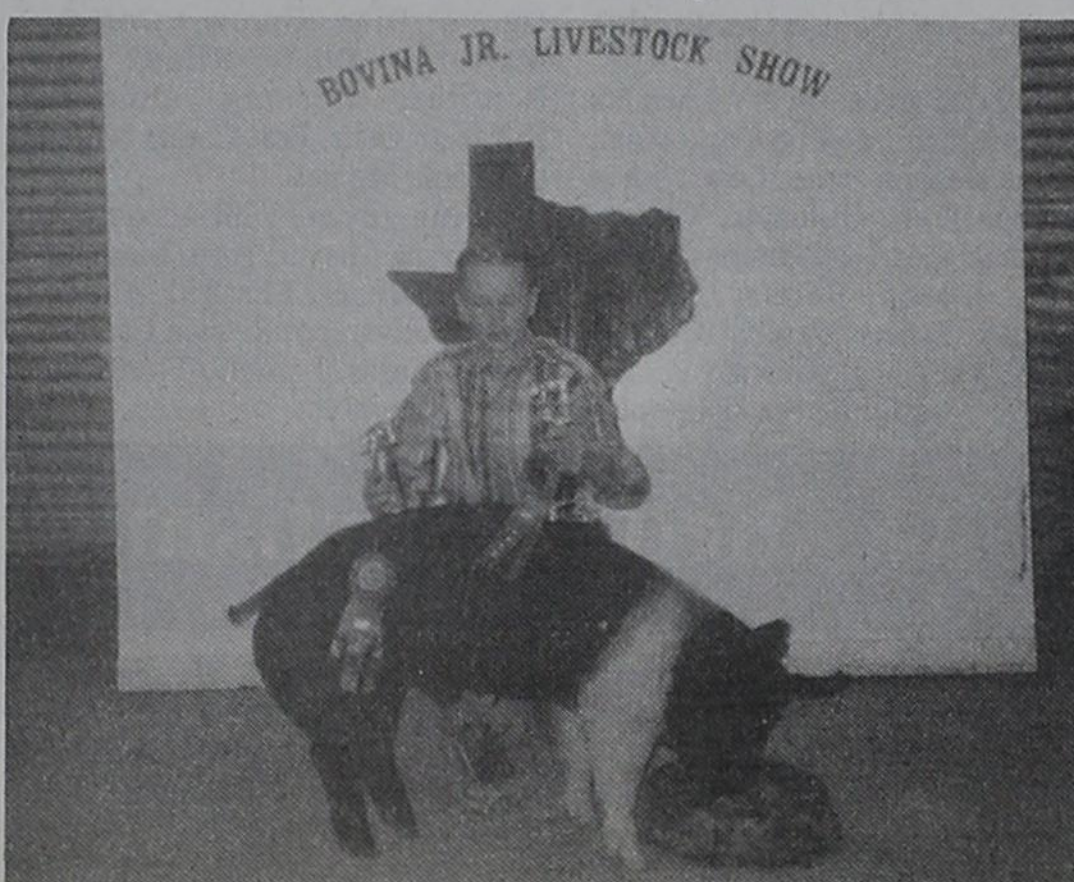
The premium auction sale begins at 6 p.m. on Saturday, but preliminary sale events will start at 5:30.

Judges are Eddie Smallwood, barrows; Bill Binder, lambs; and J.D. Ragland, cattle. Binder and Ragland were judges for the county show last year, too.

Parmer County Extension Agent Cody Hill said he expects a record number of animals in this year's show.



**WELCOME TO BOVINA....**Chamber of Commerce representatives Suzan Hughes, left, and Sherri Whitten, right, held a ribbon cutting welcome for Charles Pump Co. Also on hand were Charles Pump employees Ralph Torres, owners Charles and Rhonda Wilkins, and Andy Stormes.



**GRAND CHAMPION BARROW....**Jason Stone's Hampshire barrow was named Breed Champion and later Grand Champion of Bovina's Junior Livestock Show last week.

## Carr Promoted By Newspapers

Ron Carr has been promoted to the position of Managing Editor of the Friona Star/Bovina Blade newspapers, it was announced this week by publisher Bill Ellis.

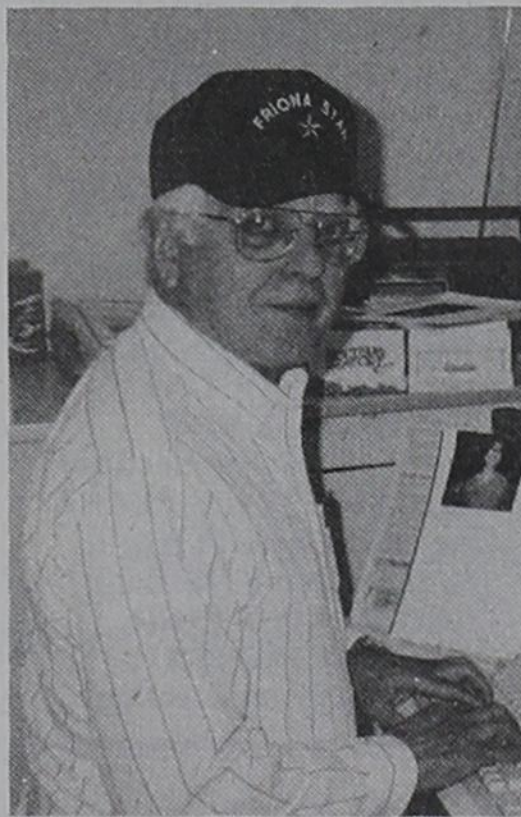
Carr joined the Star and Blade in June of 1995 on the weekend of the big tornado. Although not yet on the payroll, he grabbed a camera and went right to work. His duties have included advertising sales, news/column writing and photography.

"Ron has taken on more and more responsibilities since joining our staff. He has displayed sincere interest in our communities and their citizens, the workings of the cities and schools, including extra-curricular school activities, particularly sports. He has been a great addition to our other dedicated and capable staff members," Ellis said.

"His duties may not necessarily increase--he will mainly have more authority on advertising matters, for instance, without having to track me down," Ellis added.

Carr is a native of Hillsboro in central Texas, and had owned and operated a travel agency in Dallas for several years before moving to Friona.

His mother, Hannah Lookingbill of the Black community, and his brother, Rick Carr, are both longtime local residents.



**RON CARR**



## BISD Board Approves New Admin. Building

At the January 12 Bovina ISD school board meeting, members approved contracts for the construction of a new school administration building and renovation of restrooms and offices in the existing school.

The new building, located at the north end of the elementary school, will house offices for the superintendent, business manager, secretary, diagnostician as well as a new board room. Construction of the building should begin by the end of January and be completed by the end of the school term in May.

Renovation of the rest-

rooms and offices will not start until June and should be completed by August. Restroom facilities will be enlarged and made accessible for those with disabilities.

The current board room and superintendent's office will become offices for the Middle School principal and the school counselor.

The school nurse's office will be moved into what is now the counselor's office.

At a previous meeting, the purchase and installation of a platform lift to make the stage in the auditorium accessible for people with disabilities was approved.

## Results Given For Local Stock Show

Bovina 4-H and FFA youngsters competed in the 41st annual livestock show held January 15. Tracy Blount, ag instructor at Anton, judged the entries.

The exhibitors will be competing at the Parmer County Junior Livestock Show in Friona, January 22, 23 and 24 and have also entered shows in San Antonio, Houston and San Angelo.

This year's local show was sponsored by the Bovina Chamber of Commerce, Bovina Lions Club and Terra International.

Placings were as follows:

### LAMBS

Finewool--1. Jake Steelman (breed champion).

Finewool cross--1. Jake Steelman (breed champion).

Mediumwool, lightweight--1. Jake Steelman; 2. Jake Steelman.

Mediumwool, heavyweight--1. Luke Steelman (breed champion); 2. Luke Steelman (reserve breed champion).

Grand Champion Lamb--Luke Steelman (mediumwool); Reserve Grand Champion Lamb--Luke Steelman (mediumwool).

### BARROWS

Berkshires--1. Jason Stone (breed champion); 2. Albert Larrea (reserve breed champion).

Chester Whites--1. Eric Shufelberger (breed champion); 2. Tyson Kerby (reserve breed champion); 3. Jason Stone.

Durocs, lightweight--1. Cliff Rocha (breed champion); 2. John Solorio; 3. Alvaro Martinez.

Durocs, heavyweight--1. Josh Kerby (reserve breed champion); 2. Cameron Charles; 3. Levi Steelman.

Hampshires, lightweight--1. Jason Stone (breed champion); 2. Yancy Graves; 3. David Bishop.

Hampshires, heavyweight--1. John Solorio (reserve breed champion); 2. Eric Shufelberger; 3. Josh Kerby.

Polands/Spots, lightweight--1. Eric Shufelberger (breed champion); 2. Albert Larrea; 3. Yancy Graves; 4. Cliff Rocha.

Polands/Spots, heavyweight--1. Cameron Charles (reserve breed champion); 2. Chris Arias; 3. Alvaro Martinez.

Yorkshires, lightweight--1. Sarah Rocha (reserve breed champion); 2. Cliff Rocha; 3. Levi Steelman; 4. Alvaro Martinez.

Yorkshires, heavyweight--1. David Bishop (breed champion); 2. Chris Arias; 3. Cameron Charles.

Crosses, lightweight--1. Yancy Graves (champion); 2. Tyson Kerby (reserve breed champion); David Bishop.

Crosses, heavyweight--1. Chris Shufelberger; 2. Chris Solorio; 3. Albert Larrea; 4. Chris Solorio.

Grand Champion Barrow--Jason Stone (Hampshire); Reserve Grand Champion Barrow--Eric Shufelberger (Chester).

## All Region Honors For Band

According to Band Director Bill Shelly, on Monday, January 12, seven high school band students traveled to Abernathy for all-region band tryouts. The students had worked hard and Shelly said they represented the school and community with great pride.

Three students made the all-region honor band. They are senior Amanda Smith-clarinet; freshman Melanie Stanberry-clarinet; and freshman Christian Zatarain-trombone.

These students will perform a concert with the All-Region Honor Band at Monterey High School in Lubbock on January 31 at 5 p.m.

On Tuesday, January 20, the Middle School Band students will go to Lubbock Christian for all-region middle school band tryouts.

Students who qualify for the Middle School All-Region Band will perform Saturday, January 24, at 5 p.m. at Lubbock Christian High School.



**ALL-REGION BAND.....**These students qualified for the all-region band, which will perform January 24 at 5 p.m. at Lubbock Christian High School. They are, l-r, Amanda Smith, clarinet; Melanie Stanberry, clarinet; and Christian Zatarain, trombone.









# FRIONA/BOVINA DEVOTIONAL PAGE

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

**EVIL HAMAN**  
BELIEVING THAT THE MAN WHOM THE KING WISHES TO HONOR CAN BE NONE OTHER THAN HIMSELF HAMAN IS PROFUSE IN ADVISING THE KING JUST HOW TO HONOR THE MAN....

...AND WHEN THE KING'S PRINCES HAVE DRESSED THIS MAN IN ROYAL GARMENTS, LET HIM THEN....

...BE SET UPON THE VERY HORSE WHICH THE KING RIDETH AND....

...LET THE KING'S MOST NOBLE PRINCE LEAD THIS MAN THROUGHOUT ALL THE STREETS OF THE CITY, PROCLAIMING THE KING'S DELIGHT IN HIM WHOM HE WOULD HONOR!

MAKE HASTE THEN AND DO ALL THAT THOU HAST SAID UNTO MORDECAI, THE JEW, FOR I WOULD HONOR HIM!

QUIVERING INWARDLY WITH RAGE, HAMAN CAN DO NOTHING ELSE BUT OBEY THE KING'S COMMAND! AND AS HE LEADS THE ROYALLY ARRAYED MORDECAI THROUGH THE STREETS OF SHUSHAN, LOUDLY PROCLAIMING THE KING'S DELIGHT IN MORDECAI, THIS IS HIS BLACKEST HOUR—HIS MOST BITTER DEFEAT!

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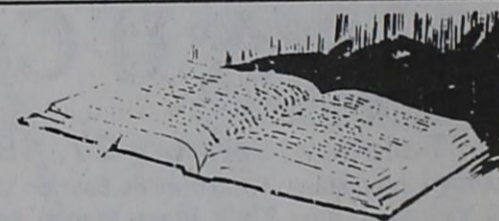


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