

**Bull  
Town  
Bulletins**  
By  
Bill Ellis



**WHEN COUNTY JUDGE** Bonnie Clayton told us following the June 2 tornado that Parmer County would be petitioning for disaster relief qualifications from both the state and federal governments, we thought that there would be no problem in securing the designations.

Many of you Bovina neighbors came over and worked tirelessly for an entire weekend and more. Others came and saw the damage first-hand. Most Friona residents took the "damage tour." For weeks, the damage area served as our local "tourist attraction." It still does.

Governor George W. Bush approved Judge Clayton's request, and formally petitioned the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for a national declaration of a disaster area.

Parmer County's petition was lumped in a joint request for assistance along with Gray County (Pampa), Webb, Wheeler and Wilbarger counties.

The damage estimate in Friona alone was set at approximately \$25 million. Pampa's residential district was hit more severely, and their damage was estimated at about \$35 million. With Gray County as a "partner," most folks thought approval would have been a mere formality.

Boy! How little we country bumpkins know about the federal bureaucracy and how it works. We assumed these designations were made according to need. How stupid can you get?

The first week of August, Judge Clayton finally received a letter from James L. Witt, FEMA director. Witt's letter said in part "After a thorough and careful review of your request and the damage assessment information, we have concluded that the impact of this event is not of a severity and magnitude that warrant a major disaster declaration. Therefore I must inform you of the denial of your request for a declaration."

Wonder how the folks at Hi-Pro, Bengier Aero, Southside Farm Supply, Friona Bi-Products, Mike Lamb Auto Salvage, Mendoza Muffler, Excel and the other 19 or more businesses hit by the tornado enjoyed hearing that their damage was "not severe."

Ron Davenport had a brand-new office on the Hi-Pro property the evening the twister struck. Last we heard, they'd never located a piece nor a plank from this office.

The letter further stated: "No health and safety issues were identified during the PDA (Preliminary Damage Assessment). The findings indicate that 75 per cent of the 721 damaged homes were in the "minor" and "affected" categories. Minimal damage was observed."

Minimal damage? Wonder how the Baileys, the Mendoza families, the Wyllys and Herrings out in the country; the Noel Whites, and many others feel about having their losses classified as "minimal," or "minor?"

"Of the damage identified to local governments, 30 per cent is for debris removal and 60 percent was for minor roads and drainage structures. It appears that the State Department of Transportation has the capability to assist the local governmental entities," the letter continued.

The gist of the FEMA letter may have been: "Governor Bush, you're a Republican governor asking for aid from a Democratic administration. Have you taken leave of your senses? Don't you know that Pres. Clinton has already marked Texas off as "lost" for the '96 election? The reason we ran down to Florida and had them declared an emergency within three days of their storm is that we think we might be able to win their big electoral vote."

There was a time we'd have thought "No way this could happen in the good old USA. Decisions such as these are just not made on a political basis." That's when we were looking at the world through rose-colored glasses. What do you think?

## Gramm Aide Sets Bovina Briefing

Hans Klingler, director of U.S. Senator Phil Gramm's office in Lubbock, will deliver an update on the Senate's legislative goals for 1995 during a briefing with the Bovina Chamber of Commerce and other city leaders at First Bank in Bovina, Thursday, August 31.

The briefing is slated to begin at noon, Thursday, August 31, at First Bank-Bovina, 102 Third Street.

The Senate, under a new

Republican majority, has begun work on a myriad of bills aimed at tightening the federal government's belt so Americans can keep more of what they earn.

Among the Gramm proposals are a tax cut that would double the dependent exemption for children. Also, the senator is working to repeal the Clinton tax increase on Social Security benefits, and to pass a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution.



**BOVINA FOOTBALL READY....**Athletic Director and Head Coach Mike Royce, left, and new assistant coach Bobby Ortiz visited the Bovina Blade office to talk about the 1995-96 season. The Bovina Mustangs kick off the year with their first game on September 8 at Olton. (Photo by Ron Carr)

## Details Given On Parmer Co. Fair

The Parmer County Fair is making its return to Friona in conjunction with Maize Days, September 14-16, at the Community Center.

The Women's Department of the Parmer County Fair Board has announced what entries will be open for judging at its fair, Thursday, September 14-16.

The culinary department will consist of breads, cookies, cakes, candies and pies. Any kind of bread, cookie, cake, candy or pie will be accepted.

Entries will be taken starting at 5 p.m., Thursday, September 14. However, with this category, exhibits will also be accepted from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m., Friday, September 15. Judging will begin at 9 a.m. Friday.

In the canned products department, all kinds of fruits, vegetables, pickles, relishes, preserves and jellies will be accepted. These entries are due September 14.

The textiles department will accept entries in the following areas: sewing (i.e., clothes), machine embroidery, quilting, bedspreads and decorated shirts or jackets.

The needle art department will

include needlepoint, smocking, knitting, tatting, counted cross-stitch, crochet, crewel embroidery, embroidery and latch hook pieces.

The crafts and hobbies department will accept ceramics, porcelain, china painting, tole painting, holiday and miscellaneous entries.

All the entries are due Thursday, September 14 between 5 and 9 p.m. A \$1 fee will be charged for all entries to defray fair expenses. All entries will be judged based on merit.

For further information, contact Debbie Pollard at (806) 481-3619. Fair books are also available at the County Extension Office in Farwell.

## Barbecue's Real Good

The barbecue during Bull Town Days won rave reviews from the local citizens. According to Sherry Embry at First Bank, over 800 pounds of beef were cooked, and 450 people were served.

The committee sold the remaining slabs of tender brisket for a modest \$20 per slab. Needless to say, they did not have any leftovers.



**BATTER-UP.....**The Bull Town Days softball tournament was a lot of work for the volunteers and officials. But it was a successful tournament, with 12 teams playing more than 50 games during the 3-day event. Pictured above, at bat, is Rusty Venable of Bovina. Proceeds from the tournament go to the Bovina Police Department for equipment purchase. (Photo by Ron Carr)

## Bulltown Ball Game Ends In Altercation

Bernado Baca, a 21-year-old softball player from Clovis, was arrested near the end of last Sunday's Bull Town Days softball tournament.

Baca was arrested and jailed by Bovina Police on Sunday and charged Monday in District Court at Farwell with aggravated assault on a police officer, a first degree felony, and resisting arrest.

Bond was set at \$50,000 on the first charge and \$2000 on the latter charge.

The altercation began during the last out of the next to last game. A member of the Clovis team was called out to end the game and called an umpire a name he obviously didn't appreciate.

The umpire ejected the player from the tournament, and the player left.

Baca, a teammate of the ejected player, then became involved in a shouting and shoving match with Bovina Police Officer Manuel Torres, who was in charge of the

tournament.

Torres' brother, a Randall County sheriff's deputy, tried to calm Baca, and was also shoved around.

Bovina Police Chief Leon Saddler, who was in the scorer's tent, went to assist. The situation accelerated into a scuffle. As Saddler tried to arrest and handcuff Baca, other spectators became involved in the shouting and scuffling.

Officer Torres said, "When I saw some bats coming out of bat bags, that's when I called for back-up."

Members of the Parmer County Sheriff's Department, including Sheriff Rex Williams, plus three state troopers, responded to the call, quieted the crowd, and

remained on hand until the tournament ended.

Friona police, enroute to the scene, were advised that they were not needed and returned to Friona.

During the melee with Baca, Chief Saddler's elbow was seriously dislocated. He was later transferred by Bovina ambulance to the hospital in Friona for treatment.

With the ejection of one player, and the arrest of another, the Clovis Undertakers had only nine players available for the final game of the tournament championship game with the Clovis Excel team.

However, in an ironic ending, one of the Undertakers was injured by a line-drive which hit him in the face. He was taken to Muleshoe by Mayor Gene Hutto in a private vehicle for treatment.

According to American Softball Association rules, which governed the tournament, the loss of this player caused a forfeit by the Undertakers and first place was awarded to the Clovis Excel team.

On Monday after the tournament, Officer Torres was recovering from a case of laryngitis caused by too much shouting. Chief Saddler was recuperating at home, arm in a sling, and expected to return to work in a couple of days.

At press time, it was not known how much money the Bovina Police Department earned from the tournament.

Editor's note: On Tuesday, August 22, Bernado Baca's bond was reduced to \$5000. He paid the bond and was released. The case is pending a hearing before the grand jury.

## Softball Tournament Winners

Winners in the Bull Town Days Softball tournament, sponsored by the Bovina Police Department were; 1st Place--Excel (Clovis); 2nd Place--Undertakers (Clovis); 3rd Place--Gallegos Construction (Dalhart). Winner in the Consolation bracket was Friona Wheat Growers team from Friona.

A total of 51 games were played during the weekend tournament.

Proceeds from the tournament will be used to purchase needed supplies for the Bovina Police Department.

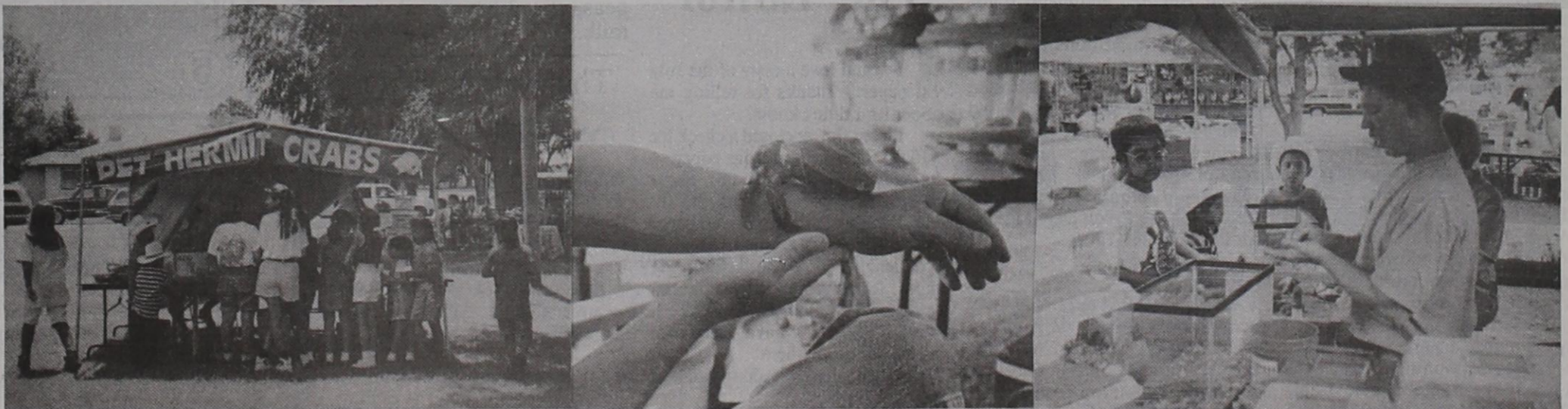
## Rodeo Winners Announced

Bull Town Days Little Buckaroo Rodeo winners were awarded buckles and spurs.

Winners of the All-Around competition winning buckles were: 5 & under--Dalton Cockerham, 6-8 yrs.--Shonnah Black, 9-10 yrs.--Laura Via, 13-15 yrs.--Robin Grantham, and 16 & over, Carrie Edwards.

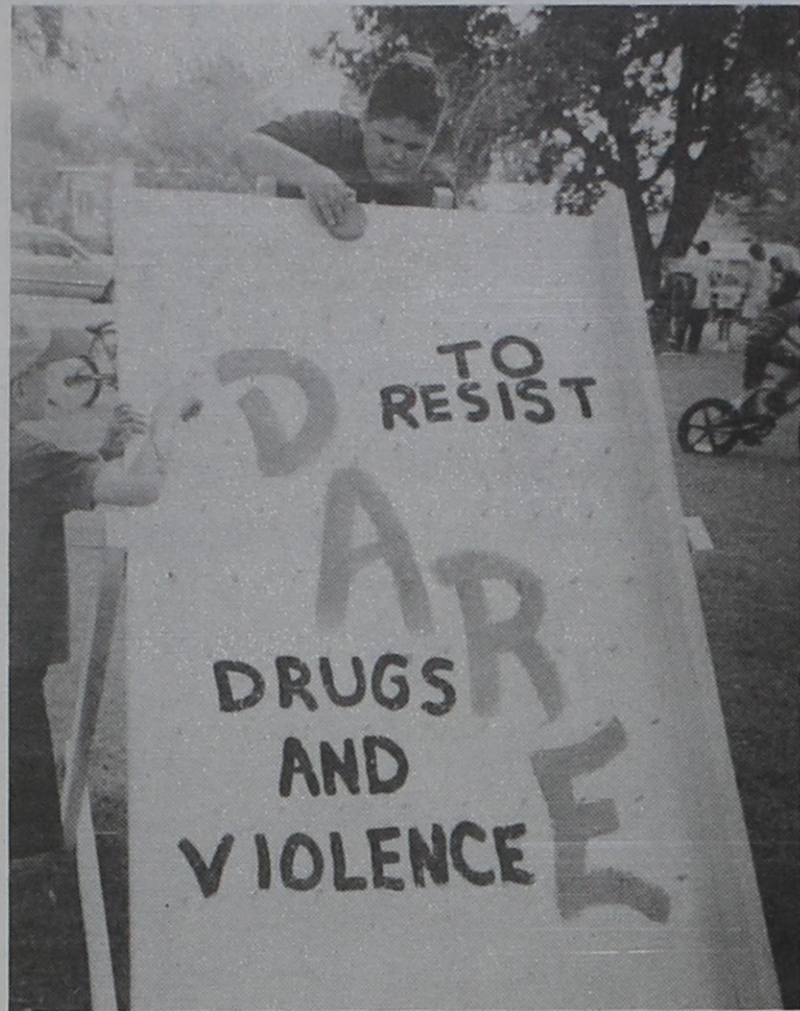
Winners in the Saturday riding competition who were awarded spurs were: 5 & under--Stick Horse Race--Dusty Clayton, 5 & under Ewe riding--Justin Lide, 6-10 yrs. Calf Riding--Tyler Hitchcock, 16 & Over Steer Riding--Jim Prather.

A special thanks from the Chamber of Commerce goes to Janice Moore and Glen London for their help with the rodeo.



**Hermit Crab Booth Was A Big Hit At Bull Town Days**





**DARE WAS THERE.....**Supporters of Bovina's D.A.R.E. program worked the booth to raise money for this important youth program.... (Photo by Ron Carr)

## D.A.R.E. Report

By Roy Don Smith

With generous donations from the Lions Club, Muleshoe State Bank, Terra, and several individuals, the needed funds have been raised for the D.A.R.E.T-shirts.

I enjoyed Bull Town days and the events. I want to thank everyone who stopped by the booths. The proceeds will help this year's program. The program can always use your support. Any donations can be made at the Police Department or First Bank.

I look forward to teaching in Bovina again this year. I hope to expand the program into the 7th grade next spring. I have tried to make the D.A.R.E. program something we can all be proud of and will continue to work toward this goal.

I have some exciting

events planned for this year that I hope you will enjoy.

I looked back over the activities and events that the program sponsored. I need to thank those who helped along the way: Lowe's Pay-n-Save, Charles Oil, McCallum Agency, Sherley Grain, Town & Country Vet, Kubin Air, Caprock Feed Yards, Terra, Bovina Pump, Hyman Farm Supply, and the gentleman who allowed me to use his trailer for the parade.

I also should thank Chief Saddler and Officer Torres. They have supported the program and events without fail. If I happened to leave someone out, please forgive me.

Thanks again for your support and I'll see you soon....Officer Smith.

# Reflections

....from the files of The Bovina Blade

### 35 YRS AGO--AUG 17 1960

Roy M. Crawford, vocational agriculture teacher here, was awarded his Honorary State Farmer degree at summer conference for Texas vocational agriculture teachers last week.

One person was hospitalized following a two-car collision in Bovina Friday afternoon. Mrs. Billy Don Read was taken to Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona after the 1959 Ford pickup she was driving collided with a 1950 Chrysler driven by Betty McClain.

Billy Lynn Marshall, son of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Marshall, underwent minor surgery Thursday morning at Clovis Memorial Hospital. He was released Friday afternoon and is reported to be doing well.

### 30 YRS AGO--AUG 18 1965

Tim Kelley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kelley, underwent major surgery Wednesday in Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

Frank P. Wilson of Amarillo, a former Bovina resident and father of Robert Wilson of Bovina, was hospitalized recently in Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo following a heart attack.

### 25 YRS AGO--AUG 19 1970

Richard Sudderth, two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sudderth, was the winner of the saddle given away by Bovina Roping Club at the conclusion of the tenth annual Bovina Quarter Horse Show on Saturday.

Holly Davis was named queen of Bull Town Days '70 following the queen's contest Thursday night at the roping arena.

Sherrill Lumber Co. was burglarized Saturday night. Approximately \$30 in cash was missing when Steve Sherrill opened the business Sunday afternoon for a customer.

### 20 YRS AGO--AUG 20 1975

Tammy Lisa Christian, 16, of Bovina, will be one of 30 entrants in the Wheatheart of the Nation Beauty Pageant this week. Named Miss Bovina in the local pageant, she will be in the pageant to be held in Perryton Saturday night, August 23 at 7:30 p.m. in Perryton High School Auditorium.

Shannon Davis, a former high school football player from Bovina, has reported to Eastern New Mexico University's football training camp and will be looking to be a member of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics Championship team by the end of the season.

### 15 YRS AGO--AUG 17 1980

Dr. Alfred Bolch assumes the role as parade marshal for the Bull Town Days Parade which will be

held Saturday.

The old Bovina ambulance will be raffled off during Bull Town Days and proceeds will go to the ambulance service.

Funeral services were held for I.W. (Ike) Quickel at the Methodist Church.

The Bovina Jaycees sponsored a rodeo during Bull Town Days and considered the first-time event a huge success.

The Larry Scott family's float took first place in Bovina's Bull Town Days Parade. It was a float from Bovina's Yester-year.

### 10 YRS AGO--AUG 21 1985

Bill Talley has been hired as new football coach in Bovina.

Patrolman Wayne (Butch) Schultz has resigned his position as patrolman for the City of Bovina.

Wiley Lide celebrated his birthday at the Senior Citizens building with a party in his honor.

Byron Neal won a silver belt buckle when he won at the State 4-H Trap and Skeet Shoot held in San Antonio at the National Shooting Center.

Andy Alexander has served as stage manager this summer for the "Texas" production and was one of twenty to receive the Don and Sybil Harrington Honor Scholarship and the Oma Link Rowley Theatre Scholarship.

Lawrence and Erna Jamerson have returned from a 1500 mile trip traveling in Colorado and New Mexico.

### 5 YRS AGO--AUG 25 1990

Lars Christiansen is an exchange student from Copenhagen, Denmark and has come to Bovina to spend a year with Charles and Nancy Walters.

Rock Stanley is Bovina High School's head football coach and moved to Bovina from Whitewright, which is fifty miles northeast of Dallas.

Karen Britten has been employed as a sheriff's deputy for Parmer County, and will be the instructor for the new Project D.A.R.E. in Parmer County Schools.

## Ex-Resident's Son Is Dead

Funeral services were pending at the Blade's press time this week for Brent Allen Cumpton, 25.

Cumpton, who was a junior high teacher and coach at Littlefield, was discovered hanging from a rafter in the football field house Wednesday. Police were suspecting suicide.

Cumpton's father, Don Cumpton of Hereford, is a Bovina native. He was an extremely successful football coach at Hereford prior to becoming high school principal.

According to news reports, Brent Cumpton had joined the Littlefield teaching and coaching staff this summer, having been there about a month.

"He had been here about a month, and was doing a great job. Everything seemed to be fine," said Littlefield superintendent Jerry Blakely.

## Bovina School Lunch Menu

Week of August 28-31  
MONDAY-chicken nuggets, potatoes, green beans, rolls, fruit and milk.

TUESDAY-nachos with meat, salad, corn, Jello with fruit, crackers and milk.

WEDNESDAY- Salisbury steak, au gratin potatoes, mixed vegetables, rolls, fruit and milk.

THURSDAY- barbecue beef, potato salad, sweet peas, sliced bread, cake and milk.

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**POLICE CHIEF SUPERVISES.....**Bovina Police Chief Leon Saddler looks over the action during the Bull Town Days softball tournament. His wife, Elois, center, and Collette Torres, right, staffed the scorer's tent during the tournament. (Photo by Ron Carr)



**ENJOYING THE PARADE...**Shown relaxing and enjoying the Bull Town Days parade are three generations of the Cockerham family. L-r, are Sandra, Steve, Danielle, and Barbara Cockerham. (Photo by Ron Carr)



**PARADE BOSS.....**Parade Marshall and organizer, Suzan Hughes is shown before the start of the parade. Pictured also are daughters, Hayley, 6, and Payden, 2. (Photo by Ron Carr)

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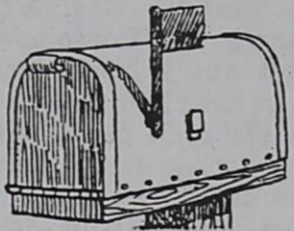
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## Orders Are Being Taken For Book

Orders are being taken at the Bovina Blade office for the book, "Mommy's Little Angels." The book, a record of the murder investigation and trial of former Bovina resident Diana Lumbra, will be available around September 11.

"Mommy's Little Angels" sells for \$5.99.



## Letters To The Editor

Mr. Ellis,  
I would love a copy of the July 1st paper. Thanks for telling me about it. I didn't know.

Please find enclosed a check for \$15.00 for a year of your paper. I know I will enjoy reading about everyone.

I wasn't sure the Friona paper was still being published. There is wonderful people there, too. My mom, Jewel Womack, was the last telephone operator there before it went dial. So I have wonderful memories of out there.

Thanks for everything and best wishes always.

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**STACI MUELLER  
Local Girl  
Receives  
PT Degree**

Staci Mueller, daughter of Joe and Marlene Mueller of Friona, received a bachelor's degree in physical therapy from The University of Texas Southwestern Allied Health Sciences School, August 13, 1995.

Miss Mueller was on the Dean's List and was a member of the American Physical Therapy Association.

She attended Friona High School and was a 1990 graduate. Her plans include a career in physical therapy and she has accepted a position at St. Anthony's Medical Center in Amarillo. She has passed her state board exam and is a licensed practicing PT.

Southwestern Allied Health Sciences School is part of The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas, which is ranked among the nation's top academic medical centers for its education, research and patient care.

**Letters To  
The Editor**

Friona Star and Bovina Blade,

While visiting a long time childhood friend in Lynwood, California, I saw a special edition of the Friona Star with all the pictures of the tornado which struck there in June.

Please send me a copy of that edition. Friona is my home town. I lived there in the late 1920s and 1930s. My parents were Alfred and Addie Wimberly. I would like some info regarding those grave markers in the cemetery if there is any available.

Thank you,  
Mabel W. (Wimberly) Reese  
2737 E. Brown  
Fresno, California 93703

**Globe-News Joins  
In Blast Of FEMA**

(Editor's note: The following editorial is reprinted from the August 9 edition of the Amarillo Globe-News.)

The towns of Friona and Pampa were hit with tornadoes earlier this summer that caused severe damage. Yet these communities and other areas of the Panhandle have just been denied Federal Emergency Management Agency funds.

Friona's damages are estimated at \$20 million. Pampa's estimates range from \$25 to \$35 million. That may not seem like much in the grand federal scheme of things, but it's devastating to the people who live in those communities. They must now rebuild their homes and businesses without FEMA assistance.

There's some irony here. People of the Panhandle are independent, sensible and responsible. They don't build on fault lines or floodplains, as many past FEMA aid recipients in other locations have done. Many Panhandle residents have insurance and that's one of the things FEMA looks at.

"FEMA does not base their decisions on the total losses; they base it on the unmet needs or uninsured or underinsured losses," said Jo Schweikhard Moss, public information officer for the state's division of Emergency Management.

Let's see if we have this straight. If the good people of Friona and Pampa hadn't been as responsible, they'd have had a better shot at getting federal disaster relief? So because these townspeople have worked hard to take care of themselves as much as possible, they now can't get some extra help when they really do need it.

Reminds you of the biblical story of the prodigal son, doesn't it? The good son toiled while his brother ran off and squandered his inheritance. When the prodigal son returned home, however, Dad made a bigger fuss over him than he did over the good son who'd been there hard at work all along.

Now Friona and Pampa have to look elsewhere for funding assistance to overcome tornado damage. One possible source is the Small Business Administration. Hopefully the SBA will look more favorably on the needs of these deserving and hard-working communities.

(Editor's P.S.--Friona is having trouble qualifying for the SBA loans as well!)

**Nazareth  
Sets Labor  
Day Picnic**

On Sunday, September 3, Holy Family Parish in Nazareth will have its annual Labor Day Weekend Picnic. The event will kick off with a parade at 10 a.m.

A roast beef dinner with all the trimmings will be served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Community Hall at 104 First Street for \$5 for adults and \$3 for those twelve years and younger. Arts and crafts sales, and bingo, will take place there, too.

Games begin at 1 p.m. Children's games will continue until 3 p.m.; with midway games for all ages until 5 p.m.

Livestock and goods donated by area businesses, will be auctioned beginning at 2 p.m.

A hamburger supper may be enjoyed from 4-7 p.m. Festivities end with a dance in the Community Hall from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. with the band "Laredo." Admission to the dance will be \$5 per person.

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Another Hot,  
Dry Week Here**

It was another hot summer week in the local area. Temperatures hit the 90-degree mark five times in seven days.

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Last Monday day. My son, Za to his first day in and I went to ja More about minute though. Over the we kids and I, and other people atten Town Days cel Bovina. It was great. rodeoing, a barbecue, hambur dogs at the ballp dance, and crafts in the park. It's that stuff want to talk about lots of kids ther my six-year-old year-old. I wonder if parents had experience I di keep the kids aw Pet Hermit Crab the Win-A-Goldf I didn't go th home a pet. Es creepy, crawly, kind. But explain th know how I v explained it in p public people l funny when yo kids cry by telli can't have one of pets. Of course, th look at you funn any kids themsel life to. The two peop up from Lubbock creepy little cra little houses and that you could b One kid tol had spent \$14 and crab. Zach house and cou crab from a rock When you b the Lubbock crab you a two pag instructions. I do pet that comes instructions. Apparently, are playful crea instruction sheet them new shells bathe them tw create a social en other words, buy create a playgro (they love to ch

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# Out Here

By RON CARR



Last Monday was a big day. My son, Zachary, went to his first day in first grade, and I went to jail.

More about that in a minute though.

Over the weekend, my kids and I, and a bunch of other people attended the Bull Town Days celebration in Bovina.

It was great. There was rodeoing, a parade, a barbecue, hamburgers and hot dogs at the ballpark, a street dance, and crafts and games in the park.

It's that stuff in the park I want to talk about. There were lots of kids there, including my six-year-old and four-year-old.

I wonder if any other parents had the same experience I did, trying to keep the kids away from the Pet Hermit Crab booth, and the Win-A-Goldfish booth.

I didn't go there to take home a pet. Especially the creepy, crawly, swimming kind.

But explain that to a kid. I know how I would have explained it in private, but in public people look at you funny when you make the kids cry by telling them they can't have one of the cute little pets.

Of course, the people who look at you funny don't have any kids themselves to explain life to.

The two people who came up from Lubbock to sell those creepy little crabs, also had little houses and food for them that you could buy.

One kid told my son he had spent \$14 on his house and crab. Zach looked in the house and couldn't tell the crab from a rock.

When you bought a crab, the Lubbock crab dealers gave you a two page sheet of instructions. I don't want any pet that comes with written instructions.

Apparently, hermit crabs are playful creatures. The instruction sheet said to give them new shells as they grow, bathe them twice a week, create a social environment (in other words, buy two crabs), create a playground for them (they love to climb on coral

and wood), and serve a balanced diet and fresh water in shell dishes....daily.

What do they eat? Premixed hermit crab food and treats (available only from an authorized crab food distributor), plus a variety of vegetables and nuts.

When I read all that, my kids could have screamed child abuse in the park and I wouldn't have bought one.

So we went to the goldfish booth, where kids could toss ping pong balls into small glasses of water and win a goldfish. Zach tossed about twenty balls and much to my relief he never put a ball in a glass. I thought I had escaped another pet effort.

But, NO!, the nice lady running the booth gave Zach a goldfish anyway for trying so hard, and spending \$3, I imagine. Plus, I am sure she didn't want all those little goldfish at her house either.

On the way back to Friona, Zach named the fish Tom. We shopped at Perry's for a fish bowl and food, another \$10.

Tom lived from Saturday afternoon until early Monday morning, Zach's first day in first grade. My wife made the grisly discovery.

Tom was floating upside down and we didn't want Zach to notice before he went

to his first day in first grade.

Didn't work. Zach went to tell Tom goodbye and let out one of those broken-hearted six-year old cries just before school time.

With assurances from daddy and mommy that we would talk about another pet, this time a dog, Zach went off to his first day at school only slightly shaken.

We left Tom floating in the bowl and Zach buried him after school. I didn't attend the ceremony.

While Zach was at his first day of school, I went over to Farwell to nose around the courthouse for news.

During a stop at the sheriff's office, County Sheriff Rex Williams offered me a tour of the jail facilities.

There are twenty-one beds in the county jail. The two beds in the drunk tank are lower to the floor than other bunks. Rex explained that was so when drunks fall out of bed, they don't hurt themselves.

There was an isolation cell, a padded cell for the really unruly, and a womens section.

There are cells with two bunks and some with four. The area for the jail trustees is somewhat nicer, but it is still a jail.

Rex is attempting to form a sheriff's posse to assist the

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Ann Lee and England had a good recent weeks with members of their family. Ann Lee's sister, husband, Joyce and of Farwell hosted for the family.

Those present were Lee's brothers and Polly Mills, Pam Clark and children and Tammy, all of June Muse of Lubbock of Amarillo, Katie and her children James, and Leslie; Rhonda Webb of Friona Al and Cathy Dimmitt.

Ann Lee's present were; Rick Rose Weber of Friona their children, Crystal; Tim and England and children and Amy of Clovis.

**Friona Art Annual**

Friona Art Association announced that they the annual Friona Show at the Old City Park in conjunction with Maize Days, from September 9 Saturday, September

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# Scooter's Scoops

By Scooter Russell



Ann Lee and Floyd Englant had a good time in recent weeks with several members of their family.

Ann Lee's sister and her husband, Joyce and Art Smith of Farwell hosted a cookout for the family.

Those present were; Ann Lee's brothers and sisters, Polly Mills, Pam and Mel Clark and children, Melissa and Tammy, all of Bovina; June Muse of Lubbock; Kathy of Amarillo; Katie of Amherst and her children, Carla, James, and Leslie; Sam and Rhonda Webb of Farwell and Al and Cathy Webb of Dimmitt.

Ann Lee's children present were; Rick and Mary Rose Weber of Claude and their children, Rana and Crystal; Tim and Vickie Englant and children, Josh and Amy of Clovis; and Tony

and Angela Englant and children, Taffanie, Sherri, Mark, and Preston.

I have been in Spearman for the past couple of weeks and during the last week of the "Texas" production in Palo Duro Canyons the girls and I spent an evening there.

The show is greater than ever and we really enjoyed it. Hope you made it there this year. Janee, Tami, and Tami's daughters, Gina and Jamie and I attended.

Vernon and Dottie Ward had a good time with their family visiting. Their daughter, Billie and Ken Harrison of Amarillo came and also Dottie's nephew and former residents, Butch and Bonnie Woltman came from Colorado.

Butch still has a farm here

and Bonnie spent time canning vegetables, according to Dottie.

Sophia Cherry visited relatives in Roswell, New Mexico. She visited with her daughter, Grace Whitehead and her nephew, Frank Willis and his family. They had a good day together.

Sophia was telling me about her son, Leon McDaniels, who had recently undergone surgery in California. She said he had a malignancy in one of his kidneys but it was contained in the kidney. They removed the kidney and he is getting along real well and isn't going to have to have therapy.

Leon lives in Livermore, California, which is near Oakland.

Gene Hutto and Mark Englant made a fast trip to Fort Worth where they picked up a "mail truck" that had been retired there. A little 'fixin' will make it what they

need here.

I was talking with Joe Looney and she said her daughter, June Gay McMeans came home for a week but has gone back to Houston. June is taking radiation treatments and Monday was when she was to begin the treatments.

Joe was also telling me that she and Dorothy Looney were flying to Deer Park, which is near Houston and attending the birthday party of their great-granddaughters for Dorothy and great-great for Joe.

The twins are Carrie and Lexie and will be one year old on the 25th. Their parents are Mr. and Mrs. Mike Hodges and the grandparents are Dorothy's daughter, Kay and Harry Hodges. Joe and Dorothy will be home by the time the paper is out.

Joe and Dorothy went to Muleshoe the other night and met with Dorothy's daughter, Lynn, and had supper together at Leal's Restaurant.

Lynn and her husband Jim Cabe and their daughter were there and they are from Sherman, Texas. They came to Bovina and spent the night before returning home.

Mace Cochran has had friends visiting lately. Jessie Bailey and Lois Flinch of Paris, Texas are visiting this week. They also go to Zapata and spend time together there.

Friday evening Cal and Joyce Cash came over and Dorothy Ellison of Bovina was there and the group played 88 and cooked fish.

Congratulations to Bryan and Leah Mason on the birth of their second little girl, Mallie Paige. She was born

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY BOVINA!!

August 26--Lisa Hromas, Edwin Lide and Kathy Cantu.  
August 27--Adeana Carlyle.

August 28--Coleman Moseley, Cherayl Spence, John Stormes, Buck Lloyd, D.T. King and Noel Ortiz.

August 29--Sam Garrison, Pam Bell and Celia Ortiz.  
August 30--Laura Bartlett, Dustin Riley, Justin Brozek and Amy Mirhashemi.

September 1--Billy Harbison and Joe Looney.

August 31--Tim Grissom. (If someone in your family, or someone you know, is observing a birthday, please call 238-1523 on Mondays, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., and put their name on our birthday calendar.)

August 18.

Also congratulations to Bovina grandparents, Dickie and Mary Evelyn Steelman and the great-grandfather, Amos Steelman.

The couple has a two-year-old daughter, Ashton.

Freddie Mac O'Hair visited his mom, Artie Faye, for almost a week. He lives in Longview and was accompanied to Bovina by his little girl, Meagan. Artie said they had such a good visit and went to Clovis three days in a row.

Evelyn Vineyard of Glen Rose, Texas, has been in Bovina for a few days visiting with her dad, Amos Steelman, and her sister and brothers, Vi Hutto, Dickie and Eddie Gayle Steelman.

SMILE: The kid who leaves for college to set the world on fire usually comes back home for a few more matches.

Have a great week and thanks for helping with the Scoops.....Scooter.

## BHS Grad Honored At Texas A&M

Nita M. Leifester, daughter of Linda and Billy Marshall of Bovina, received scholastic honors at Texas A&M University.

She was designated as a "Distinguished Student" for her work during the Spring 1995 semester.

Leifester is a 1992 graduate of Bovina High School.

## Friena Art Association To Hold Annual Maize Days Art Show

Friena Art Association has announced that they will hold the annual Friena Fall Art Show at the Old Depot in the City Park in conjunction with Maize Days, from Saturday, September 9 through Saturday, September 16.

All area artists are invited to participate in this art competition. Art pieces may be entered in three categories: 1) oils and acrylics, 2) watercolors, 3) pastels and drawings. The entry fee is \$5.00 per painting and there is no limit to the number that can be entered by each participant. FAA is affiliated with the Tri-State AA organization of WTAMU which requires a compulsory \$10.00 membership fee to participate

in the show.

Entries should be brought to the depot on September 9 between the hours of 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Paintings will be judged Sunday afternoon, September 10. There will be an artists' reception at the Depot following the judging from 4 p.m. to 5:30 when awards and critiques will be presented. Judge for the show has not yet been announced.

Entries may be picked up on Saturday, September 16 after 3 p.m.

Friena Art Association new officers were also announced as follows: Bobby Wied, president; Ruby Stone, vice president; Judy Cummings, secretary-treasurer; Carol Ellis, publicity chairman.

## Looking Up!

By Richard Grisham

Since discouragement is all around us, being an encourager is paramount! If I can do nothing else for someone, I can at least seek to encourage him.

Discouragement plagues us all at one time or another. Even preachers have been known to get that way! A layman in the church called his pastor. "Pastor, I've got bad news and I've got good news!" "Well, let's hear it," said the preacher. "The bad news is that we did not have enough money in the bank to pay the church bills this past month. The good news is that the amount we pay you for salary covered them all!" (Personal note: my church has never missed paying me on time in ten years! That is good news!)

I find that discouragement comes for many reasons. When I do not spend time with God in prayer on a regular basis, I soon get discouraged. Also, when I neglect getting physical exercise, or get too tired I may find discouragement comes to visit. Sometimes discouragement arrives on the wings of unkind criticism or emerges through the cracks of disappointment. Both people and expectations sometimes disappoint us, and sometimes we even disappoint ourselves!

But however the big "D" arrives, we need encouragement from others to see us through the darkness to the light. A small word of encouragement to a beleaguered friend may revive her determination to overcome difficult obstacles and bring fresh hope into a seemingly dismal situation.

Just an understanding ear and kind smile may be all that is necessary to inspire your own emotionally wrung-out spouse to the renewed efforts that gets him over the top of a very high mountain of despair!

Encouragement changes lives. Mike, a problem student at his school, gave his teachers fits. Even the principal could not get him to change his disruptive behavior. Finally, in exasperation, he was sent to the superintendent with the recommendation that he be expelled because he was "unreachable" and "unteachable."

The superintendent was also at his wit's end as what

to do with Mike. Reprimands and punishment seemed to have no effect on his incorrigible attitude.

The superintendent decided to take another approach with Mike. "Stand up," he said. "Hold out your hands." He then took Mike's hands into his own, looked at them and said, "Mike, you've got wonderful hands. They are long and slender but strong, which is unusual for your stocky build. Boy, you've got the hands of a surgeon. Maybe that's what you are intended to be. Get going, Mike, and good luck." He said nothing of punishment or expulsion.

According to Noman Vinent Peale, who related this story in his book, *This Incredible Century* (Tyndale House, 1991, pp. 288-89), Mike sat out on the school steps for a while examining his hands and contemplating what the school superintendent had told him. The next day he was back in school, and his attitude had changed. Someone had encouraged him instead of putting him down. Eventually, Mike graduated from medical school and became a surgeon. An encouraging word gave a lost boy a new beginning.

Although our words of encouragement may never seem to bring such dramatic results, you never know how far they may go, or whose life they may eventually change!

## NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

Bovina ISD will conduct a Budget Hearing on the proposed 1995-96 budget at a special board meeting on Thursday, August 31, 1995 in the board room at 500 Halsell. A hearing on the proposed tax rate for 1995-96 will also be held. The public is invited to attend.

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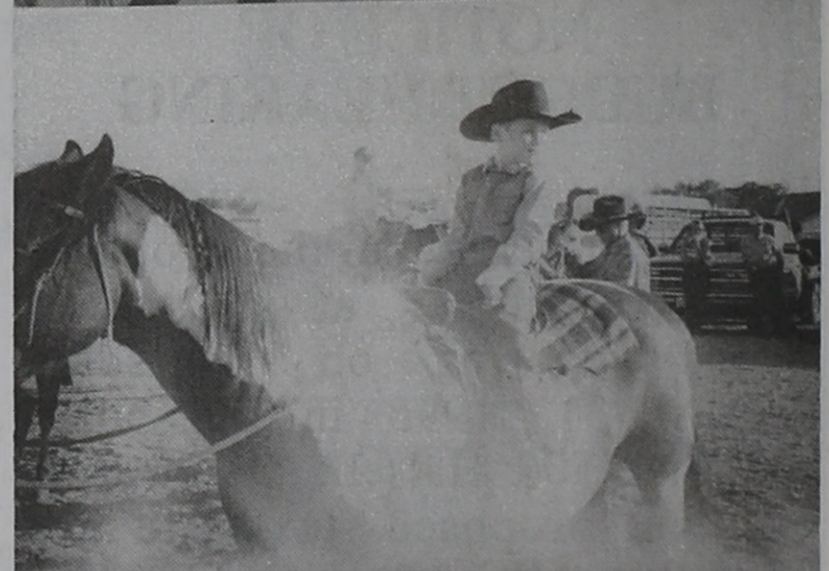
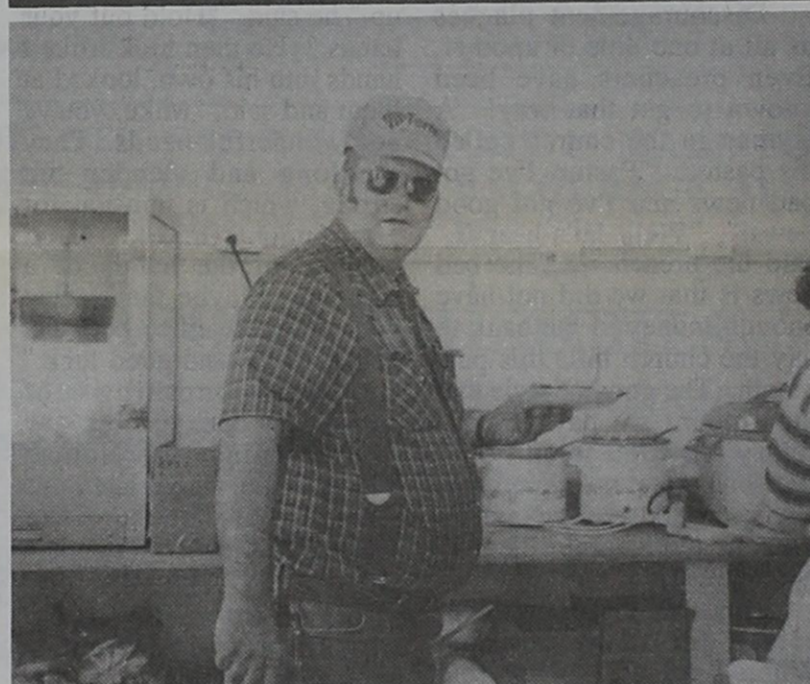
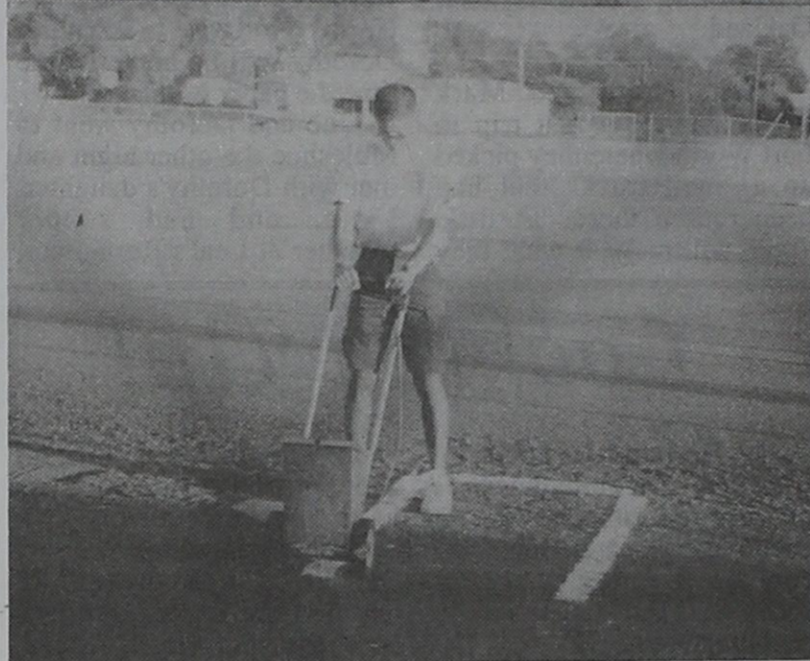
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# Bull Town Days 1995

## "A Good Time Was Had By All"



FROM THE TOP.....Estrella Espinoza, l-r, and Gilda Garner serve up a homemade fajita to Sherry Embry.....The Bovina High School Band played rousing renditions during the parade.....The Booster Club's entry, supporting the Mustangs.....Shown in a 1961 Volkswagen buggy are, l-r, backseat, Sterling J. Bowers, and Pecos Prather. Front, l-r, John Nelson and Lesa Bowers.....A procession of three and four wheelers weaved and bobbed along the parade route..

FROM THE TOP.....Seventh-grader Joyce Martinez takes a turn in the dunking booth at City Park.....Bovina Police Officer Manuel Torres stripes the batters boxes in preparation for the Bull Town Days softball tournament.....Bovina Mayor Gene Hutto was chief cook at the softball concession stand. The mayor cooked hamburgers from meat donated by Excel Corp.....J.J. Wright in her Conoco powered go-cart racer gets set to whiz along the parade route.....

FROM THE TOP.....Driving number 66 is Matthew Villarreal as he prepares to burn up the parade route in his Trop Artic go-cart.....Kids were a steady crowd all afternoon at the Hermit Crab booth at City Park.....Horses are always a part of a Bovina parade.....Justin Lide aboard his horse, Paint, gets set to participate in the Little Buckaroo Rodeo.....Frank Galvan, Jr., Bovina Booster Club president takes his turn in the water-balloon cannon shoot. The water balloon cages and balloon firing apparatus were built by Bovina supporter Wes Cockerham.....

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