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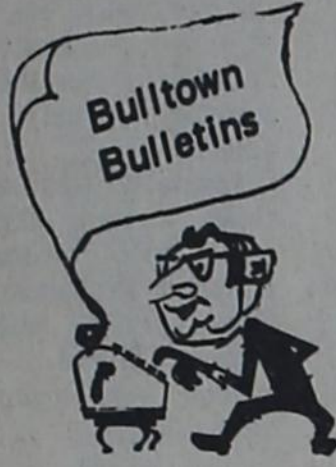
"In The Agricultural Center Of Parmer County"

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DUAL ELECTION



BY BILL ELLIS

TEMPUS FUGITS, and sometime, time flies also. This week Billy Whitecotton and Billy Smith and all the folks at Bovina Super Market are observing their third anniversary by kicking off a big anniversary sale.

It was actually in March of 1972 that the two young grocery men went into business together, but they customarily set the date as of the first part of April.

"Billy and Billy," as the partners are known to most folks, have done real well as merchants, and we salute them on the occasion of their anniversary. They are a credit to the Bovina business committee.

THE ANNIVERSARY of BSM reminds us that as of April 1, we began our third year as publisher of the Bovina Blade.

It has been a short and enjoyable two years, and like the folks at Bovina Super Market, we're looking forward to working with the good people of the Bovina area for a long time to come.

MARCH CAME IN like a lamb, but it acted like a lion the rest of the month.

This weekend once again tested the old tradition of a storm for the Easter weekend. If you think back, you can recall some real "doozies," including blizzards, tornadoes, etc., that have hit at Eastertime.

Sure enough, we got a "mini blizzard" in the local area for Easter. We journeyed to Ruidoso, N.M. for the weekend, and their "Easter storm" amounted to an 18-inch snowfall. We almost got snowed in.

In fact, we notice that the county's noted weather prophet, J.W. (Indian) Crim, longtime Lazbuddie area weather-watcher, got a "dry year" reading when he lit his traditional campfire at sunrise on March 22.

THE LITTLE DRIBBLERS regional tournament, sponsored by the Bovina Jaycees, was held last week at the local gym.

The Jaycees are to be commended for going after this tournament, for the second year in a row. It takes quite a bit of work to run off a tournament of this nature.

ON THE SUBJECT of anniversaries, we noted in the current issue of "Texas Monthly" that Houston's Astrodome observes its tenth anniversary on April 9.

It was ten years ago next week that the first baseball game was played in the "Eighth Wonder of the World."

Texans always like to set records, so it's no wonder that the Astrodome has the world's largest scoreboard.

After only ten years, the Astrodome has been certified as the third-ranking man-made tourist attraction, ahead of Mount Rushmore and Hoover Dam.

You'll pardon us as we save a stamp (and a greeting card) by saying "Happy Anniversary."

School, City Polls Open Saturday

Jones, Johnson Move Up In Team Roping

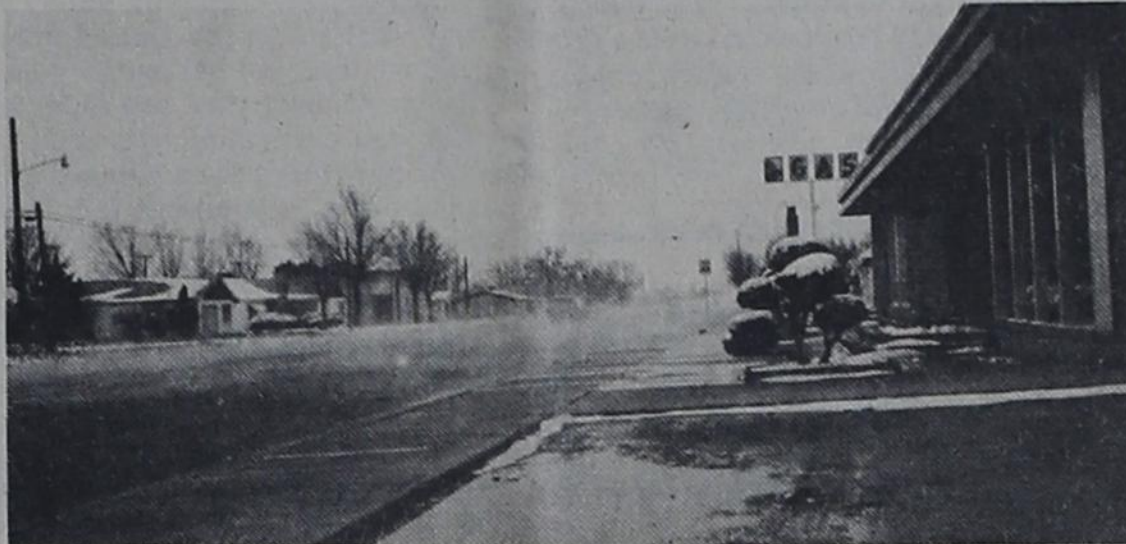
Kyle Jones, a senior at Bovina High School, and Brent Johnson, a student at Hereford High School, continue to move up in the team roping standings in the Texas State High School Rodeo Association following three recent high school rodeos.

The duo placed second and third at Plainview, fifth at Muleshoe and third and fourth at Farwell in "up and back" team roping, moving up to third and fourth in the total points, only one point behind second place, in the team roping standings. Johnson's points in the Plainview rodeo helped bring home the team trophy for Hereford High Schools' rodeo club.

Points won in the three rodeos moved Jones up to 14th in standings for all-around honors. He has won six buckles on the rodeo circuit this year.

The Texas State High School Rodeo Association (TSHSRA) was founded three years ago with five schools and 150 members by Bill Keaton of Amarillo. The association now numbers 80 schools and almost 1000 members.

At the TSHSRA finals in June at Dumas, awards will also be given the all-around high point boy and girl, high point school and high point teams in boys' and girls' events.



STEAMY STREETS.....With the residue of Friday's unexpected snow storm rapidly melting by Saturday afternoon, steam was rising in clouds on Bovina's streets, giving an eerie effect to the wintry scene.

WITH SNOW, COLD

Jack Frost Takes One More Swipe

In what is becoming almost a tradition, stormy winter weather took what is hoped to be the final swipe at the Texas Panhandle and eastern New Mexico Friday, dumping some two to four inches of wet snow and dropping temperatures into the low teens.

Snow began falling sometime between midnight and 3 a.m. Friday and Bovina residents awoke that morning to a snow-covered landscape.

Travel was difficult throughout the Panhandle with ice and

snow-covered roads throughout Friday, Friday night and most of the day Saturday. However by Saturday afternoon, the highways were clear with only isolated treacherous spots.

"Jack Frost" got his punch in, though, killing many budding fruit trees in the community. However, the winter wheat crop was not believed to have been damaged to any great extent by the low temperatures.

The winter blast was preceded by eight days of high, dusty winds.

AT MEETING

Jaycees Quiz School, City Race Candidates

Eight of the 11 candidates in the local city council and school board races met with the Bovina Jaycees Friday morning of last week at Bovina Restaurant for a question and answer session concerning the respective political contests.

Also attending the meeting were five visitors from the Muleshoe Jaycees.

Following is a brief summary of each candidates statements, as reported by Laurence Kriegel, secretary of the Bovina Jaycees.

BILLY WHITECOTTON

Whitecotton, incumbent city councilman who is running for re-election to one of the two positions, stated that he was proud of the community services in which the Jaycees are involved. He commented that he would like to see the junk cars and unsafe vacant buildings cleaned up in Bovina, along with a general cleanup campaign and encouraged a town meeting at which all civic organizations would plan a campaign to clean up the city. Whitecotton said he believed an attempt should be made to

encourage needed businesses to move into Bovina; a regional committee from area towns set up to investigate rate increase requests by utility companies; would like for the city to purchase a tranquilizer gun for the stray dog problem and see the city's stray dog ordinance enforced more strictly; and work with other county towns on the county trash problem.

VERNON ESTES

Vernon Estes, incumbent city councilman who is running for re-election, also, told the Jaycees they were a "tough bunch to get its membership out at 6:30 a.m. for meetings." Estes noted that a sign at the Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture banquet the preceding night said "Boost Better Bovina," encouraging everyone to work toward that objective. He stated that more local businesses were needed to encourage local shopping; believed taxes would not be raised until absolutely necessary; and stated that he believed revenue sharing checks for Bovina might

possibly decrease during the next few years.

KENNETH WHITECOTTON

Whitecotton, who is running for a position on the city council, said he was aware of the problems mentioned by the incumbents and stated that he thought Whitecotton and Estes had "been doing a good job." He commented that he was in the race to "give everyone a good race."

KEN HORN

Horn, president of the Jaycees and a candidate for city council, said he wanted to work for a bigger and better Bovina and realized there were problems of finance and personality involved. He noted that some people said the Jaycees would never succeed, but it had, and he believed the same thing could happen on the city level. Horn stated he wished to see more businesses come into Bovina, working with the chamber and other civic organizations on that level, and would like to see someone in office "who doesn't know the word 'no' or 'I can't'."

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2 School Trustees To Be Elected

Voters in the Bovina Independent School District will name two trustees to the school board Saturday when the annual election is held in the main foyer of Bovina Schools.

Polls will be open from 8 a.m. until 7 p.m. with Johnle Horn serving as election judge. Assisting as clerks will be Mrs. Dean McCallum and Mrs. Bob Turner.

Six candidates seek the two positions on the board this year. Terms of Earl Whitten and C.E. Trimble expire.

The candidates are Whitten and Trimble, who are seeking re-election, and Leroy Mayfield, Jerry McClaran, C.C. "Cap" Naegle and Lowell Boozer.

Whitten is completing his second three-year term while Trimble is completing his first three-year term on the board. The remaining four

candidates have not served previously.

Whitten is a certified public accountant and employed by Sherley Grain Co. Naegle is manager of Parmer County Cattle Company. Trimble, Mayfield, McClaran and Boozer are farmers.

The two candidates receiving the highest number of votes will serve three-year terms on the board.

Holdover members of the seven-man board are Leon Ware, Billy Smith, James Clayton, Edwin Lide and Leon Schilling. Lide and Smith have one year remaining on their terms with Clayton, Schilling and Ware having two years remaining on their present terms.

In absentee voting, which ended Tuesday, Miss Sheryl Moore at the school's tax office, reported 10 absentee ballots had been cast.

Voters To Elect Two Councilmen

Two councilmen will be elected for the City of Bovina as residents here go to the polls Saturday.

Polls will be open at American Legion Hall from 8 a.m. until 7 p.m. that day, according to J.E. Sherrill, election judge.

Five men are running for two positions on the five-man council.

Seeking re-election are Billy Whitecotton, co-owner and operator of Bovina Supermarket, and Vernon Estes, a farmer and cattleman.

Also seeking places on the council are Ken Horn, manager of Horn Insurance Agency; C.N. "Big Nick" Trienen, owner of Big Nick Machinery; and Kenneth Whitecotton, a salesman for Riverside Chemical Company. None of the

three have served on the council before.

The two-year terms of Whitecotton and Estes expire in April. Whitecotton is serving his first term on the council, Estes has served several terms.

Holdover members of the council, with one year remaining on their present terms, are Mayor Tom Bonds and Councilmen Durward Bell, Dickie Clayton and Bedford Caldwell.

In absentee voting, which ended Tuesday, Mrs. Jessie Woltman, acting city secretary, reported that 10 ballots had been cast.

Those casting ballots in the city election must be registered voters and reside within the city limits of Bovina.

THIRD YEAR

Bovina Supermarket To Observe Birthday

Bovina Supermarket will observe its third anniversary of business in Bovina tomorrow (Thursday), Friday and Saturday.

In addition to several promotional events those days, customers are also invited to pick up new "jackpot" cards. Over \$7800 in cash has been given away by Bovina Supermarket since the "jackpot drawing" began three years ago.

Billy Whitecotton and Billy Smith, veteran grocer and butcher here, purchased the former Super Saveway store on Main Street and staged the grand opening of Bovina Supermarket beginning Thursday, March 30, 1972.

Special anniversary prices appear in Bovina Supermarket's advertisement in this week's issue of The Bovina Blade.

If You Don't Vote...

If You Don't Vote Saturday...
...Then Don't Complain About

City Taxes, City Sanitation, Police Protection, Fire Protection, Street Maintenance, City Water, City Traffic Control, Zoning Changes, Swimming Pools, Building Inspection Codes, Plumbing Codes, Electrical Codes, Animal Control, Street Paving Programs, etc.....

If You Don't Vote Saturday...
...Then Don't Complain About

School dress policies, textbook selection, School Building conditions, School Board policies, Teachers, School Administration, Athletic programs, academic programs, vocational programs, maintenance programs, lunchroom policies, School financing, Use of School Facilities, School Calendar and School Schedules, Teacher and Faculty Behavior, Teacher and Administrative personnel salaries, School Taxes.....etc.....

...Don't Complain

Reflections From The Blade

FIFTEEN YEARS AGO—MARCH 30, 1960

A new flame broke out this week in the network of brushfire controversies that has plagued Bovina Schools for the past year and a half.

Petitions were circulated last week stating that the signers were "grossly dissatisfied with faculty and administration of the school." The signers called on state school officials to conduct an investigation of Bovina Schools as soon as possible. The petitions (reportedly there were 12 circulated) also called for an audit of the school's records in addition to a thorough inspection of the entire school system by an outsider.

A large turnout is expected in school board election Saturday. Four nominees and two write-in candidates vie for two places on the board.

Names on the ballot will be D.R. Bushnell, Grady Sorley, J.B. Barrett and J.R. Boardman. These men were selected by a special nominating committee chosen by the school board. Marion Carson and Billy Marshall are standard bearers for the write-in forces.

Framework for the educational portion of First Baptist Church's new plant went up last week and foundation for the auditorium has been laid.

Lavonia Newbrough, sponsored by Bovina Restaurant, was crowned Miss Bovina Tuesday evening in Bovina school auditorium. Second place winner was Judy Roach with third place going to Marilyn Brandon.

Ann Lynn Wilson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Wilson and an eighth grader in Bovina Schools, won first place in the Parmer County Spelling Bee Tuesday.

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TEN YEARS AGO—MARCH 31, 1965

Incumbents Harry J. Charles and Jim Russell are opposed by C.E. Trimble and Edward Isaac in their bid for re-election to city council positions in Tuesday's city election.

Nine candidates, the largest slate in several years, are on the ballot in the school trustee election scheduled Saturday. Candidates include two of the three incumbents, Johnnie Horn, current board president, and Vernon Estes, who is now secretary. Others running are Eddie G. Steelman, Leslie McCain, Paul Jones, Lloyd Gober, Billy Marshall and Leon Grissom.

The largest volleyball tournament in its five-year history is underway in Bovina this week with 34 teams attracted to the event.

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FIVE YEARS AGO—APRIL 1, 1970

Severe weather in the form of a late-March blizzard swept into the area Friday afternoon about 5 p.m.,

causing unusual damage and inconvenience and claiming at least two lives.

Prior to the storm's unexpected arrival, temperatures were comfortable enough for a late March day and offered no advance warning of what was to come. Several minutes before the storm hit here, tornado alerts were announced for the area. Within minutes after the blizzard struck, travel was virtually impossible and remained so until after midnight.

The blizzard stranded travelers here and in other area towns. All commercial rooms here were filled quickly and traveling families were placed in homes, Williford Gym and Bovina Restaurant. Numerous residents from here were stranded in neighboring communities. Over 100 vehicles were stalled and abandoned between Bovina and Clovis.

Two children, an eight year old boy and his seven year old sister, were frozen to death in the storm four miles south and seven miles east of Bovina. An 11 year old sister was in serious condition at the hospital in Friona.

Bovina High School athletes were the honored guests at a Booster Club-sponsored banquet Tuesday night. Texas Tech's defensive line coach, Dale Evans, was featured speaker.

Services Held For Sister Of Mrs. Damron

Funeral services for Mrs. Golden Sullivan of Morton, sister of Mrs. Floyd Damron of Bovina, were held Thursday afternoon at First United Methodist Church in Morton with Rev. James Price, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Morton Cemetery.

Mrs. Sullivan, 71, died at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday in Knights Nursing Home in Littlefield following an illness of several months.

A native of Oklahoma, Mrs. Sullivan had been a Cochran County resident since 1944.

Other survivors include her husband, Johnny; a daughter, Mrs. Jo Ann Tomson of Littlefield; three other sisters, Mrs. Gladys Sherley and Mrs. Corinne Srygley, both of Littlefield and Dorothy Williams of Lubbock; three brothers, Hoyt Williams of Dallas, Bob Williams of Clovis and Galen Williams of Rockwall; and three grandchildren.

It takes more than a liberal education to make a liberal individual.



APRIL 11

Science Program Slated At BHS

Bovina High School will host a demonstration of atomic energy and its uses Friday, April 11.

A program titled "This Atomic World" will acquaint Bovina students with principles and sources of nuclear energy. Its role in agriculture, industry, medicine and research will be explained.

Orian L. Ihms will present the 40-minute program sponsored by Texas A&M University's College of Engineering.

He will explain in student terms the structure of atoms, nuclear reactor operation and concepts such as radiation, fission and fusion.

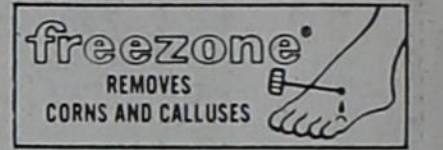
Ihms will employ special electronic equipment to show how nuclear energy is harnessed to generate electricity, plus other applications. Use of radioisotopes in

life process and plant growth studies and disease diagnosis and treatment also will be depicted.

In a chalkboard talk to Bovina High science classes, he will present extra information on atomic structure, radioactivity, radiation biology and nuclear science careers, among other topics.

Specially trained in nuclear science, Ihms (rhymes with seems) has traveled to Texas schools three years with "This Atomic World." He has earned two degrees from Texas A&M.

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Letter To Editor

Letters submitted for publication in The Bovina Blade's "Letters to the Editor" column must either be presented in person or bear the writer's signature and address in order to facilitate confirmation of the letter and signature by the staff.

Names of letter writers will be withheld upon request, however, we would prefer to include the writer's name to ensure fairness to individuals or groups who may be the object of comments by contributors to the column.

Letters to the Editor may not be published because of excessive length or because of statements considered libelous or in bad taste. The editor reserves the right to edit all letters for content or to reduce their length if necessary.

Novice Class In Genealogy Set In Amarillo

A beginner's class in genealogical research, sponsored by Group Services of Amarillo Public Library and the Amarillo Genealogical Society, will be conducted this month and the first Saturday in May at the Amarillo Public Library, according to information received from those groups.

The class is for all interested Panhandle residents with no fee and no purchase of materials required. Instructor will be Mrs. Jerry Sinise, vice president of the society, using course notes prepared by Mrs. Albert Wilson.

The classes are scheduled from 10 to 11 a.m. on the following Saturdays—April 5, 19, 26 and May 3. Although the classes will be an hour in duration, those attending may remain and work as long as they desire. The library closes at 9 p.m.

Ella Mentry

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FIRST STATE BANK PRESENTS

COW POKES By Ace Reid

"Zeb, catch my hoss and hold him, I'm gonna hit him in the head with this rock!"

Congratulations To The Jaycees, The Sponsors And Participant s In The 1975 Little Dr i b b l e r s Program, For A Job Well Done!

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To The Board Of Trustees Of Bovina Ind. School Dist.

Naegle Says-----

I Support:

- ★ Equal Opportunity For All Children
- ★ Better Communications Between Teachers,
Administrators, School Board And The
Taxpaying Public
- ★ A Firmer Stand On Local Control Of Our Schools
- ★ A More Comprehensive Athletic And Physical
Education Program For Both Boys And Girls
- ★ A More Authoritative Student Council
- ★ A More Comprehensive Vocational Education
Program
- ★ An Active Parent-Teacher-Student-
Organization (PTSO)

Voters.....

It's time to think seriously about who will serve on the Board of Trustees of Bovina Independent School District. If you feel we need a change in OUR school system; if you feel the morale of our high school students is low and needs help (I don't think the children in our school are worse than those in any other school or town our size); if you feel I would be effective in working toward the goals mentioned above, your vote would be appreciated at the polls Saturday! I am 48 years old and have three children in Bovina Schools--one in elementary, one in junior high and one in high school.
Thank you for your support--C.C. "Cap" Naegle

-- What was the purpose of the comparative study made by a group of concerned parents?

The physical facilities at our school were in poor shape. It was dirty and maintenance was sadly lacking in many areas. We were concerned that we did not have enough money to adequately fund our school.

-- What did the survey reveal?

The survey showed that we did have an equal amount of money based on the average daily attendance and total budget. It showed that we were lacking in many areas.

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-- What has been done since the study was presented to the school board?

1. They began an immediate campaign to clean-up the school and make necessary repairs. Several people worked during the Christmas holidays, replacing the gym doors, replacing boarded-over windows and doors, fixing the clocks, water fountains, exit signs, replacing screens, painting the auditorium and windows in the gym, washing windows and repairing the leaky roof.
2. They have hired an outside evaluation team to evaluate the school. (It will be cleaner and more presentable for the study.)
3. They have contacted the Title I, Migrant Program authorities and requested a survey to determine if Bovina is eligible. This is a free survey and could provide additional teachers and teacher aides at government, not local, expense. Two other district schools taking advantage of this program had nothing but praise for the program. Hidden costs, if any, must be overcome by the total program. The other schools mentioned had the necessary initiative to investigate and implement the program.

THE FACT that most of the recommendations presented in the report have been acted upon would indicate the report was NOT biased or for purposes other than upgrading our school system.

--Political advertisement paid for by the Committee to Elect C. C. "Cap" Naegle, Leon Grissom, chairman.

**BOVINIANS HOSPITALIZED
OUT - OF - TOWN**

Frank Burnett has been admitted to the Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona. He was recently dismissed from an Amarillo hospital and had been recuperating at home.

Owen McSpadden, who recently suffered an apparent stroke at his home in Bovina, has been transferred from the hospital in Friona to Room 396 in Methodist Hospital at Lubbock.

Miss Opal Perry, who has been confined to Methodist Hospital in Lubbock for a number of weeks, is now at Jewel's Hospitality House at 47th and Slide Road in Lubbock. Friends report she would enjoy visitors or correspondence.

Mrs. Sophia Hromas, mother of Arnold Hromas of Bovina, has been dismissed from All Saints Hospital in Ft. Worth following a month's stay there. She is staying with her daughter, Mrs. Ernestine Lovell, at 4008 Lovell St. in Ft. Worth.



NEW AND OLD.... From left, Billy Whitecotton, outgoing chamber president, Mrs. Daryl Kirkpatrick, incoming president, and Jerry Wright, outgoing chamber manager, discuss the events at the 15th annual banquet Thursday night, March 20, which about 280 people attended. Whitecotton and Wright were presented plaques in recognition of their service to the chamber.

**Debbie Pewitt, Danny Shirley
Exchange Double Ring Vows**

Miss Debbie Ann Pewitt and Danny Joe Shirley were united in marriage in a double ring ceremony Sunday, March 30, in the home of the bride's parents.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Pewitt of Farwell and Mr. and Mrs. J.G. Shirley of Lubbock.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a formal gown of cream double knit, designed with an empire waistline, long, cuffed sleeves and scooped neckline. She carried a bouquet of pink and white carnations.

Carrying out tradition, the bride's wedding dress was something new; something borrowed was a necklace from her sister, Miss Nancy Pewitt; something old was pennies minted in the couple's birth years, worn in her slippers; and something blue was a garter.

The bride's sister, Miss Nancy Pewitt of Kermit, was maid of honor. She wore

a formal gown of pink and white designed with an empire waistline, scooped neckline and puffed sleeves. She carried a bouquet of white daisies. Mrs. Donald Garrett of Lubbock, sister of the bride, was bridesmaid. She wore a formal gown of yellow and white designed with an empire waistline, scooped neck and long sleeves and carried a bouquet of white daisies.

Tommy Shirley of Lubbock, brother of the bridegroom, served as best man. Groomsman was Timmy Shirley of Lubbock, brother of the bridegroom.

At the reception following the ceremony, the serving table was covered with a white lace cloth over pink and centered with an arrangement of pink carnations and white daisies centered with pink tapers. The wedding cake was decorated in pink and white and topped with a miniature bride and groom figurine.

Mrs. Shirley is a 1974 graduate of Farwell High School and recently completes courses at Commercial College of Lubbock. The bridegroom, a graduate of

Dunbar High School in Lubbock, is serving in the United States Navy. He is currently stationed at the Great Lakes Naval Station in Illinois.

Hospital Report

ADMISSIONS--

Ruthie Fite, Friona; Nancy Mayfield, Bovina; J.L. Shaffer, Friona; Ray Charles Brown, Friona; Donald Douglas, Friona; Mrs. Terry Mickler and baby boy, Hereford; Corine Jones, Friona; Cynthia Beavers, Friona; John Renner, Friona; Jim Bob Sherwood, Grady; Celeste Flores, Texico; Ann Norton, Farwell; Freeman Davis, Lazbuddie; Nickey Flores, Texico; Mrs. Lee Gibson and baby girl, Friona; Felipa Ortiz, Bovina; Josephine Flores, Texico; and James H. Corbell, Friona.

DISMISSALS--

Anna Cole, Mrs. David

Ortiz and baby girl, Mrs. Don Cross and baby boy, Mrs. Jose Vega and baby girl, Allie Collins, Ruthie Fite, Ray Charles Brown, Charles Donald Douglas, Cynthia Beavers, James L. Shaffer, Jane Bengo, Charles McDaniel, Travis Light, Nancy Mayfield, Corine Jones, Jim Bob Sherwood and Mrs. Terry Mickler and baby boy.

PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL--

Mrs. Lee Gibson and baby girl, James Corbell, Frank Burnett, Felipa Ortiz, Alice Lovelace, Ann Norton, Egbert Baxter, Freeman Davis, Celeste Flores, Josephine Flores and Nickey Flores.

In a shell

by Lou Nuttall

Congratulations are once again in order for the Bovina Jaycees on running a successful, efficient Little Dribbler regional tournament.

A couple from Hart was in one of the Bovina businesses Saturday and had several comments to make on the tournament. They thought it was one of the best they had ever attended, that it was run well and efficiently and that the young men running the event were "really nice." They stated it was great for a bunch of young men to become involved in such a project.

And, just remember folks, those visitors spend money in Bovina and supposedly every dollar spent in a community is turned over seven times. That's the kind of "Boost Better Bovina" we need more of, so hats off to the Jaycees one more time.

School and city elections will be Saturday, and as the front page box notes, if you don't vote, don't complain. Obviously, there is more interest in the school election this year as opposed to the city election. That may not be kosher, but that's just the way it turns out this time. Not only in Bovina, but all across the nation, there seems to be an awakening of interest in the quality of education in our secondary schools. And, sad to note, but its way past due--especially in Texas. Every one of us, but especially parents of small children, had better begin taking a serious interest in our schools and who is running same.

Heard an educator in a recent interview over an Amarillo TV station give some facts that we weren't aware of and doubt very few other people are.

For instance, Texas, out of the 50 states, is 38th in teacher salaries; Texas is 40th in number of dollars spent per student; and Texas is in the top five states in the drop-out rate. Might have believed that about the teacher salaries, but the other two items were hard to swallow.

In our "Current Comments" column this week, Dolph Moten contributed the one from the Killen Daily Herald. He probably didn't expect to see it reprinted in The Blade, just wanted us to read about the South Dakota fellow. Moten commented that Pressler might be on the right--if impractical--track and noted that, of course, the guy is in the wrong party but this honesty and interest could make up for some of that.

Of course, just about everyone here knows Moten's political philosophy. We just want to add a Winston Churchill quote: "Any 20-year-old who isn't a liberal doesn't have a heart, and any 40-year-old who isn't a conservative doesn't have a brain." Ouch!

Speaking of politics, one can read the "beatnest"

things these days. Bill McDonald of the Columbia (S.C.) State newspaper has discovered in the Congressional Record that Congress has appropriated:

- \$375,000 for the Pentagon to study the frisbee;
- \$121,000 to find out why people say "ain't";
- \$37,314 for a potato chip machine for the Moroccans;
- \$117,250 in wages for the Board of Tea Tasters;
- \$68,000 for the Queen of England for not planting cotton on her plantation in Mississippi;
- \$14,000 for Ford Motor Co. for not planting wheat;
- \$2 million for Yugoslavia's Marshall Tito for the purchase of a yacht;
- \$31,650 for Speaker of the House Carl Albert's new carpet, \$21,000 for his new draperies, \$44,000 for his chandeliers, \$65,000 for other furnishings;
- \$80,000 for a zero-gravity toilet in the space program;
- \$23,000 for environmental testing of the same;
- \$6,000 to study Polish bisexual frogs;
- \$85,000 to study about the "cultural, economic and social impact of rural road construction in Poland";
- \$20,000 to study the blood groups of Polish Zlotnika pigs;
- \$5,000 to tabulate the difference between native American and Indian whistling ducks;
- \$20,000 to investigate the German cockroach;
- \$71,000 to compile the history of comic books;
- \$5,000 for the analysis of violin varnish;
- \$15,000 to find out how fishing boat crewmen cause conflicts in Yugoslavian peasant towns;
- \$5,500 for the genius who wrote the poem "Ighht". (That is not the title of the poem, it is the whole poem. The whole thing comes to seven letters worth \$787.71 each.);
- \$19,300 for the Health Education and Welfare Department to find out why children fall off tricycles;
- \$2,458 to train 18 Good Humor peddlers;
- \$70,000 to study the smell of perspiration given off by Australian aborigines;
- \$28,361 for odor-measuring machine for the above project;
- \$17,000 for a dry-cleaning plant to spruce up the djellabas of the Bedouins.

Now "ain't" that something else! Would like to apply for some of that loot. Could tell them why we can't throw the frisbee, why we say "ain't" occasionally, happen to be a great tea-taster, promise not to plant any cotton or wheat, would like at least one new chandelier, believe we could write a comparable poem and could darn sure tell them why kids fall off tricycles.

If anyone would like the address of our senator and representative from this district, believe we have it on file.

**Elect Rhonda Nuttall
President Of FHA**

Rhonda Nuttall was elected president of the Bovina Future Homemakers of America Chapter at Bovina High School for the coming school year in elections held by the chapter recently.

Other officers elected were Kay Beardain, first vice president; Steve Guest, second vice president; Tammy Christian, recreation chairman; Karla Mills, reporter-historian; and Dianna Naegle, secretary-treasurer. Mrs. Gwen Corn is chapter advisor.

Reports were given at the meeting Wednesday by those attending the area meeting recently in Lubbock. April Wilson was selected, following try-outs, for the all-state choir which will perform at the state FHA convention in San Antonio in April. Theme of the area

meeting was "Involvement Begins With Me." Over 2500 area members, including 23 from the Bovina chapter, heard the Sharon Singers and Ima Dee Singers perform. Randy Cain of Pampa, president of the national DECA, was featured speaker on the program. New area officers were elected and introduced during the convention's final session. Tina Isaac was Bovina's voting delegate at the area meeting.

Attending area meeting were Rita Nuttall, Rhonda Nuttall, Sami Garrison, Diana Mejia, Tamra Rogers, Betty Whitecotton, Susan Hefflin, Michelle Bonds, Cathy Trimble, Georgia Terry, Tammy Damron, Connie Ware, Kim Ware, Dianna Naegle, Linda Marcom, Denise McCormick, Miss Isaac, Miss

Wilson, Debbie Mills, Karla Mills, Steve Guest, Kyle Harris and Tim James. Accompanying the group were Mrs. Corn, Mrs. Leon Ware, Mrs. A.L. Nuttall, Mrs. Polly Mills, Mrs. Weldon Moody and Kara Mills. Mrs. Ware, Mrs. Nuttall and Mrs. Mills are chapter parents. Mrs. Moody drove the bus to Lubbock. Eligible to attend the state

convention at San Antonio from Bovina are Rhonda Nuttall, as incoming president; Miss Wilson, who will perform in the all-state choir; Sue Monk, the Little Sister for Bovina Young Homemakers Chapter; and Karla Mills as high point girl. Miss Mills will be the voting delegate at the state convention.

BHS Places 2 Actors

On All-Star Cast

Members of the speech department at Bovina High School presented "The Ugly Duckling" in UIL one-act play competition Thursday, March 20, at Vega High School. Mrs. Margaret Durben directed the play. Bovina placed third be-

hind Springlake-Earth and Vega. Named to the all-star cast were April Wilson and Joe Steelman. Other cast members were Kyle Jones, Ginger Guest, Jyl Gromowsky, Steve Guest, Dan Lusk and Richard Rejino.

**Joyce McCoy Garner
Vows Set At Friona**

Miss Joyce McCoy and Dickie Garner will exchange wedding vows at 7:30 p.m. Friday in the First Baptist Church of Friona.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Bill McCoy of Friona and Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Garner of Bovina. No invitations have been sent locally. Friends and relatives of the couple are invited to attend the wedding and reception to follow.

Son Born To Houghs

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Hough of Ruidoso, N.M., announce the birth of their first child, a son, at 1:30 a.m. Saturday, March 29, at the community hospital in Ruidoso.

Named Jon Michael, the new arrival weighed five pounds, 14 ounces.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Gib Hough of Ruidoso, former Bovina residents. Hough was athletic director and head football

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Fillies Break 2 Records At Olton Meet

Bovina's Fillies finished in eighth place with 23 points at the recent Fillies Relays in Olton with two members of the squad breaking meet records.

Dianna Naegle took first in the high jump with an effort of 4'10", breaking the old meet record of 4'8" set by Coker of Springlake-Earth, Slutz of Vega and Tennyson of Roosevelt.

Although finishing third, Debra Gilbreath, along with the other top five finishers, broke the 440-yard dash meet record. Gilbreath was timed at 62.8 behind Jeananne Jones of Frenship with 60.3 and J. Robinson of Sudan with 62.2. The old meet record was 65.1, set by Betancourt of Cooper.

Other Fillies garnering points were Pat Shepherd with seventh place in discus and fifth place in the shot and Miss Naegle with a fourth in the 880-yard run.

The Olton team copped the trophy at their own meet with 136 points, followed by Post, 70; Tullia, 69; Roosevelt, 54; Abernathy, 40; Littlefield, 33; McLean, 29; Bovina, 23; Petersburg, 20; Sudan, 16; Amherst, 13; Frenship, 12; Mule-shoe, 10 and Texline, 4.

Candidates Quizzed.....

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C.C. NAEGLE
 C.C. Naegle, a candidate for one of two positions on the school board, told the Jaycees he believed there was a lack of communication between the school and community; that the present school board had a "poor attitude" but was making progress; that some areas had been "short-changed"; and that a change for a positive approach was needed on the school board.

EARL WHITTEN
 Earl Whitten, incumbent school trustee who is running for re-election, stated that a positive attitude at school along with parents and children was needed; there was no end to what could be done with the support of the community; and that he hoped everyone would encourage the good that could be found in school while the problems were being worked out. Whitten noted that possible future problems were inflation and finance, stating that Bovina had been on the current tax rate for the past eight or nine years.

C.E. TRIMBLE
 C.E. Trimble, incumbent school trustee who is running for re-election, told those attending that "...while some people consider me a trouble-maker, I feel the school board has to be run for the majority and not for the minority." Trimble stated that even though he was not in favor of the recent hair code change,

he would still work with the majority to carry out the wishes of the school board; that Bovina Schools had problems as well as other schools but the problems could be faced and worked out; and that older citizens need to become involved more.

LOWELL BOOZER
 Lowell Boozer, a candidate for one of the two positions on the school board, stated that he believed all the candidates were well-qualified; that his primary advantage was his age, saying, "...since I am younger, I can identify with the problems of the kids, yet I am old enough to make a mature decision"; that many problems in the school are based at home where a positive attitude should be developed.

Not present at the meeting were C.N. Trienen, candidate for the city council; and Leroy Mayfield and Jerry McClaran, candidates for the school board.

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There's one number the American Cancer Society just loves - 1,500,000. That's the number of Americans alive today who are cured of cancer. And, their ranks could be even greater, says the Society, if everyone understood the importance of an annual physical checkup including cancer tests.

Bookmobile In Bovina Next Week

The High Plains Bookmobile will be in Bovina Thursday of next week, according to Lorene Sooter, librarian. The bookmobile will be parked in front of Bovina Schools from noon until 3:30 that afternoon.

Prior stops that day will be at West Camp Community from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. and at Lariat from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

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Men's Prayer Breakfast Set At St. Ann's

Men of St. Ann's Catholic Church will host the April meeting of the Men's Christian Fellowship Prayer Breakfast, according to Stanley Klimek, member of the breakfast committee. All men of the community are invited to attend the event scheduled for 6:30 a.m. Monday in Parish Hall of St. Ann's Catholic Church.

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Williamsses Have Girl

Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Williams of Allen announce the birth of their first child, a daughter, at 12:53 a.m. Saturday, March 29.

Named Dawn Camille, the new arrival weighed seven pounds, eight ounces.

Paternal grandparents are Mrs. Leola Williams and the late W.E. Williams of Bovina.

Williams is vice president of a bank in Allen.

Band Parents Set Meeting Monday Night

Band Parents will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday in the band hall at Bovina Schools, according to Mrs. Billy Whitecotton, spokesman for the organization.

Included on the agenda will be ways to finance the purchase of military-style uniforms for the Mustang Band drum majors and majorettes and plans for end-of-school parties for the high school and junior high bands.

Jaycee-Ettes Revise Local Constitution

Revision of the local constitution was the main item on the agenda of the Bovina Jaycee-Ettes meeting recently at Community Room of First State Bank of Bovina. Also discussed was the car wash project sponsored by the organization.

The car wash project, which was to raise funds for the state convention at Houston May 15-16-17, was discussed. Helping with the project were Mrs. Lowell Boozer, Mrs. Garry Beauchamp, Mrs. Bob Turner, Mrs. Daryl Kirkpatrick, Mrs. Winston Allison, Mrs. Radford Venable, Mrs. Billy J. Charles, Mrs. Clayton, Mrs. Ken Horn, Mrs. Wright and Mrs. Ronnie Sudderth. Plans were made to attend an area meeting in Amarillo.

Mrs. Jerry Wright opened the meeting with the pledge to the flag with Mrs. Dickie Clayton giving the invocation and Mrs. Bill Blackburn leading the Jaycee-Ette creed.

Next meeting of the group will be Monday, April 7, at 7:30 p.m. in Bovina Restaurant and Steak House. Members are asked to attend the meeting at which time each will receive a copy of the revised constitution. Also scheduled will be a meeting with Girl Scout leaders in Bovina, who will discuss plans for the coming year.

38 Senior Citizens Attend March Social

Some 38 Senior Citizens met in Fellowship Hall of First United Methodist Church here Wednesday of last week for a luncheon and an afternoon of various activities.

currently in a Lubbock nursing home.

Rev. Howard Marcom, pastor, led the invocation prior to lunch. Following the covered dish meal, Mrs. Bedford Caldwell, accompanied by Mrs. Mac Glasscock, led group singing. In a brief business session, the Senior Citizens voted to meet the last Wednesday of each month.

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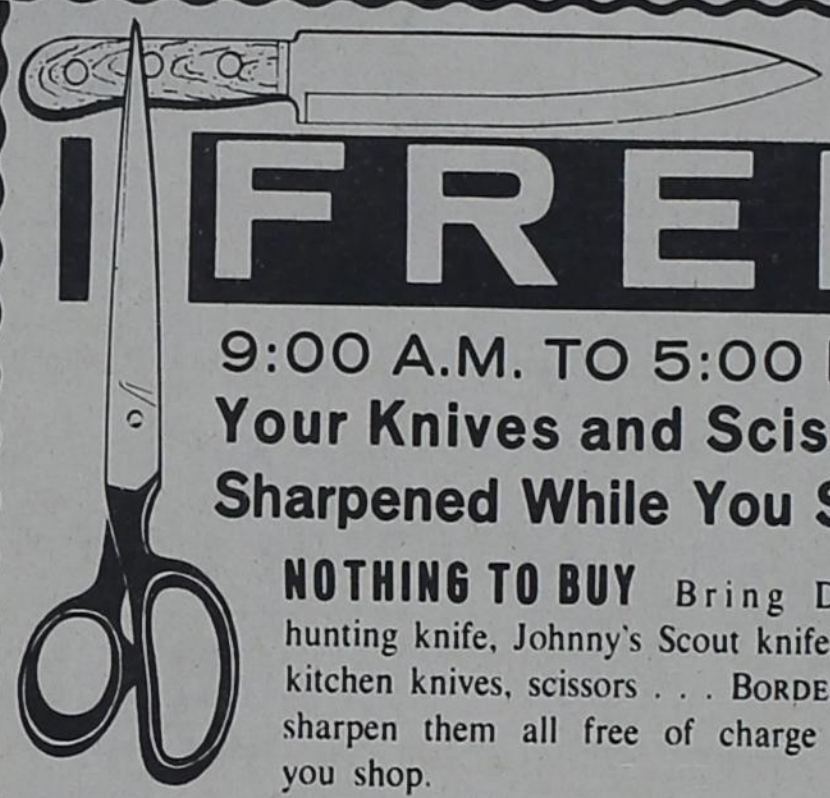
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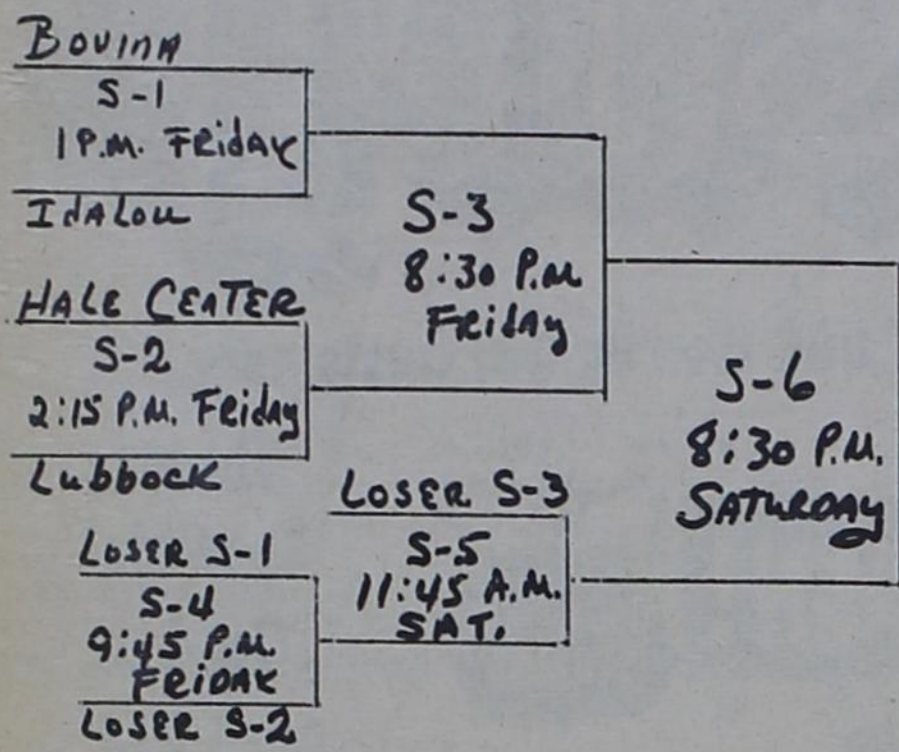
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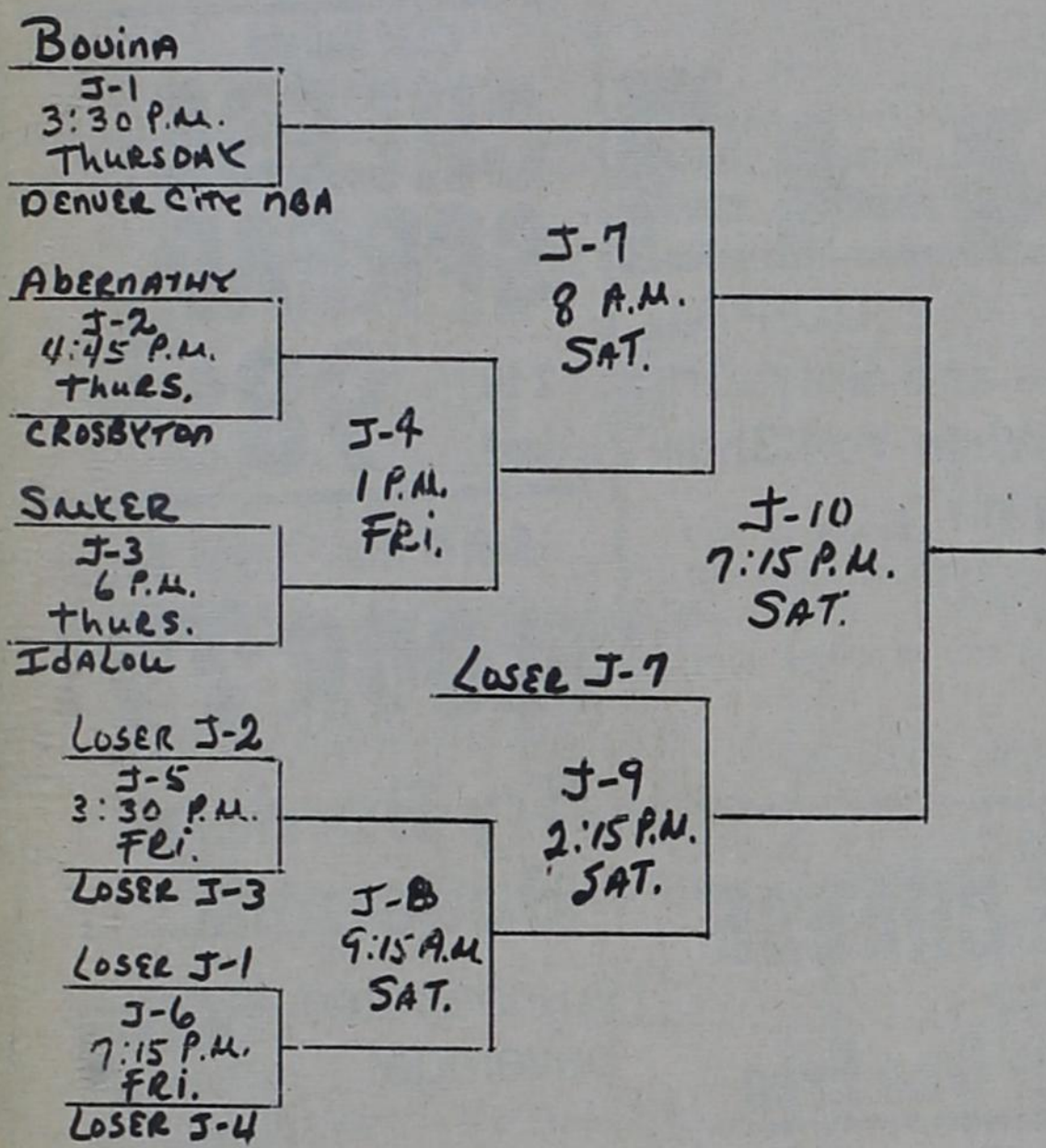
West Texas Playoffs
Frenship High School

Senior Division Friday - Saturday



Idalou High School

Junior Division Thurs.-Fri.-Sat.



REGIONAL CHAMPS...The Bovina Senior Division All-Stars swept the first two games in a best two of three series against Sudan All-Stars for the right to compete in the Little Dribbler State Tournament this weekend at Frenship. Bovina will meet Idalou at 1 p.m. Friday in the opening game of the double elimination event. Team members

are, front row, left to right, Doug Roming, Del Ray Sudderth, Rickey Mayfield, Steven Stone and Blake Sudderth; middle row, Coach Vernon Willard, James Shepherd, Dan Cox and Mike Read; back row, left to right, Jeff Hromas, Stephen Stevenson, Freddie Quiroga, Ronnie Cary and Coach Kenneth Cary.

STATE BOUND...Bovina's Junior Division All-Stars copped the title at the Little Dribbler Regional Tournament this past weekend at Williford Gymnasium here and will meet Denver City at 3:30 p.m. tomorrow (Thursday) at Idalou in the opening round of the Little Dribbler State Tournament. Members of the team are, front row, left

to right, Robbie Moody, Joe Pat Wright, Dale Gilbreath and Richard Shepherd; middle row, left to right, Alternate Karl Willard, Jeff Steelman, Jon Riddle, Greg McClaran and Scotty Johnston; and back row, left to right, Coaches Mike Grissom and Gary Carson. Not present are Mark Clayton, Johnny Gomez and Alternate Kenny Carrell.

THIS WEEK

Bovina's All-Stars In State Tournaments

Bovina will be represented at Little Dribbler state tournaments by two teams this year—the junior division (9-10-year-olds) and the senior division (13-14-year-olds) all-star crews.

The teams earned the right to advance to the state meets by

copping the titles in regional tournament this past weekend at Bovina's Williford Gymnasium.

The senior division state event will be held at Frenship High School gymnasium with teams entered from Idalou, Hale Center and Lubbock. The tournament begins at 1 p.m. Friday with Bovina's All-Stars meeting Idalou and concludes Saturday night with the championship game set at 8:30. The tournament will be a double elimination affair.

The junior division All-Stars will be playing at Idalou with teams from Denver City, Abernathy, Crosbyton, Smyer and Idalou. The double elimination event begins at 3:30 p.m. tomorrow (Thursday) and concludes with the championship game at 7:15 p.m. Saturday. Bovina will also open the junior division tournament, meeting Denver City at 3:30 p.m. tomorrow (Thursday).

Roster of the junior division

all-stars includes Richard Shepherd, Dale Gilbreath, Greg McClaran, Jeff Steelman, Joe Pat Wright, Robbie Moody, Jon Lin Riddle, Mark Clayton, Scotty Johnston and Johnny Gomez. Alternates are Karl Willard and Kenny Carrell. Coaching the all-stars are Gary Carson and Mike Grissom.

Roster of the senior division all-stars includes Dan Cox, Ronnie Cary, Stephen Stevenson, Mike Read, James Shepherd, Doug Roming, Steven Stone, Rickey Mayfield, Del Ray Sudderth and Jeff Hromas. Alternates are Freddie Quiroga and Blake Sudderth. Coaches of the team are Kenneth Cary and Vernon Willard.

Bovina fans are urged to attend the tournaments and support the local All-Star teams.

Brackets of the two tournaments appear in this week's edition of The Blade.

Bovina were Amherst, 53; Sudan, 45; Farwell, 38; Dimmitt, 31; Happy, 20; Hale Center, 17; Springlake-Earth, 16; Lovington and Texico, 14; Adrian, 10; Southland, 8; Logan, 6; Texline, 5; and Smyer, 2.

Freshman Pat Shepherd, who won dual first places the previous week at Littlefield, swept the shot and discus events at Farwell, setting a meet record in the shot. Miss Shepherd tossed the shot 34'-4 1/2", breaking the old record of 30-10 1/2 set by Hunter in 1973. In the discus, Miss Shepherd edged Steffens of Nazareth and Hands of Happy for first place with a toss of 96-8. Steffens tossed the discus 96-7 1/2 with Hands' mark set at 96-4 1/2.

Also garnering points for the Fillies were Dianna Naegle, second in the triple jump with an effort of 33-3 1/2; and the 880-yard relay team of Pam McCormick, Miss Naegle, Sue Monk and Diane Gilbreath placed second with a time of 1:58.4 behind Nazareth's 1:56.6.

School Menu

April 7-11

MONDAY—Pigs in a blanket, blackeyed peas, lettuce and tomato salad, buttered toast, peach halves, milk.

TUESDAY—Vegetable beef soup, cabbage slaw, crackers, peanut butter, cinnamon rolls, milk.

WEDNESDAY—Turkey and dressing, buttered corn, English peas, buttered toast, fruit gelatin, milk.

THURSDAY—Hamburgers, lettuce, tomatoes, onions, pickles, French fries, brownies, pear halves, milk.

FRIDAY—Fish, candied sweet potatoes, green beans, buttered toast, butterscotch pudding, grapefruit juice, milk.

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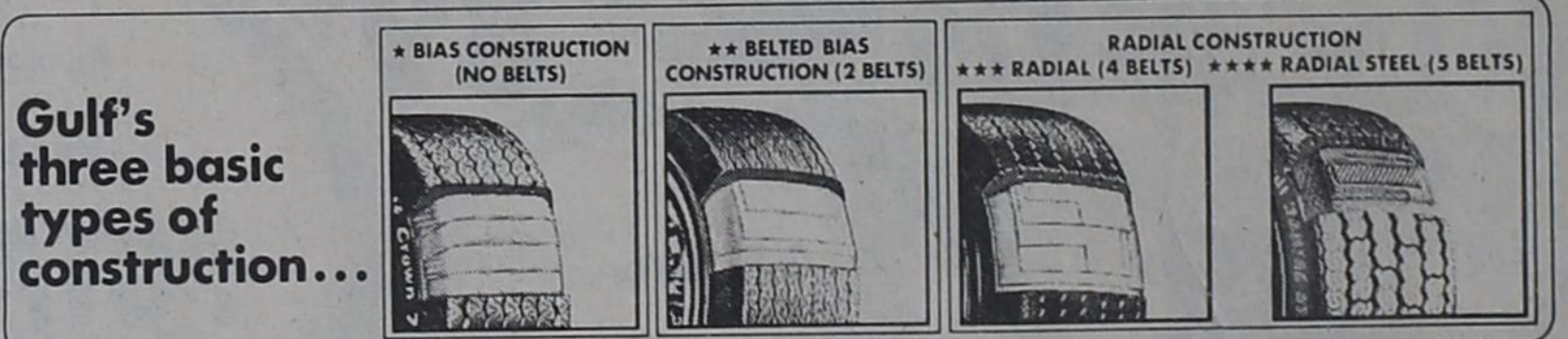
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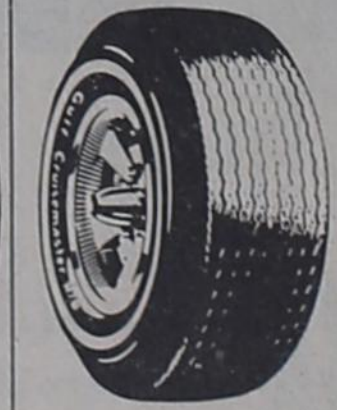
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