

## "MY TURN"

By  
Carol Ellis



IF YOU'VE HAD A warm, tingly feeling for the past several days but haven't come down with a virus or flu, then you are probably possessed with the Christmas spirit.

'Tis the season when we are all consumed with love for our fellow man, in spite of having too much to do, too many gifts to buy and not enough money stashed away in the old sugar bowl.

We hear a lot about Christmas being "over commercialized during each and every Christmas season. People talk a lot about "going back to the good old-fashioned Christmas." "Putting Christ back into Christmas," and "Not enough Christmas spirit," etc.

I don't think we've ever lost any of the good old-fashioned Christmas spirit in the first place. Commercialism is an American way of life, but the commercialism of Christmas was begun a long time ago when those three kings about which we sing carols came cameling into Bethlehem bearing gifts to the Christ Child.

Gold, frankincense and myrrh were pretty expensive gifts back then. And gold would still qualify as an expensive little item to place under the Christmas tree. Gold jewelry is a very popular item at Christmas. Georgio or the latest Estee Lauder fragrance has probably taken the place of frankincense and myrrh in modern times. The giving of lovely gifts to those whom we love and admire is still very much with us.

The poor economy in our area may have put a damper on some of the Christmas festivities this year, but I think people still give as much as they are able to give to the charitable organizations which help those less fortunate folks to have a little merrier holiday season.

Retailers across the country say that Christmas spending is about at the same level as this time last year, with people purchasing a lot of smaller items and fewer large expensive items than in previous years.

We all have to work pretty hard to earn a living these days. Earning and spending money just happens to be the way it's done here in America. If it wasn't money, it would be glass beads or bolts of colored cloth or pretty shiny rocks or whatever. But the end result would be the same. We'd still be earning it and spending it and giving some of it to the less fortunate when we could.

All those gifts under your Christmas tree mean that someone thought enough of you to take some of their hard-earned cash and go out and spend it on just the right gift which they thought you would enjoy. They battled the crowds in the stores, stood in line for ages at the check-out stand, risked getting their car fenders crumpled in the traffic jams, and ended up with tired feet and an empty billfold at the end of the shopping day.

When someone goes through all that effort just to get you a nice gift, folks, that's true LOVE. And after all, love is the main theme of the teachings of Jesus. It is the basis of the true Christmas spirit. So you see, the Christmas spirit has never left us. It has been here all along. You just have to look a little harder today to find it beneath all the tinsel, lights, colored paper and laughing Santas. You'll find it beating strongly in the hearts of your friends, neighbors and loved ones.



**HIGH SHOVELERS...**One of the unusual shovelling jobs Monday was at the Elizar residence on Seventh Street. Members of the family were afraid the extra snow might cause the roof to cave in, so they shoveled the snow off.



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## SCHOOL DISMISSED

# 14-Inch Snow Halts Area's Activities

The first snowfall of the season turned out to be what could be a record snowfall for the area in December. The snow started at an early hour on Sunday and continued throughout the day on Sunday and Sunday night.

Weather officials said that a total of 14 inches of snow was received in the local area. The snow continued much of the day on Monday, until the clouds began to break up just before sundown Monday.

Bovina schools were cancelled on Monday and Tuesday due to the snow and bad roads. High winds accompanied the snow, and has caused considerable drifting. The snow created some pretty scenery, for those with an artistic eye.

No bad accidents had been reported, but traffic was at a virtual stand-still in Bovina on Monday as some businesses closed due to the storm.

A number of vehicles were noted off in the ditch on Highway 60 between Bovina and Friona.

Forecasters were calling for the sun to come out on Tuesday, although the temperature wasn't expected to rise to more than the freezing mark.

Wheat farmers were glad to see the moisture, as it had been quite some time since the last beneficial moisture was received. The long open spell has allowed row-crop farmers to get virtually all of their crops harvested. Sugar beet harvest has been completed, and most of the cotton has been stripped. Gins find themselves behind in their ginning, and will be working well beyond the first of the year in getting the 1987 crop processed. Reports indicate that the 1987 cotton crop is the best one in Parmer County in a number of years.

Monday night the temperature fell to the lowest point of the season, dropping to below zero.



ROBERT E. (BOB) DAVIS

## Davis Is Candidate For Sheriff

Robert E. (Bob) Davis has authorized this newspaper to announce his candidacy for County Sheriff subject to the action of the Democratic primary in March of 1988.

Davis has been a resident of Parmer County since 1972. He served five years with the Friona Police Department, and has served the past ten years as deputy sheriff for the Friona area.

He came to Parmer County from New Mexico, where he worked six years with the Department of Game and Fish at Red River, Pecos and Chama.

In making his announcement, Davis said, "I look forward to serving the people of Parmer County, and assure them that I will make a concerted effort toward stronger and more visible law enforcement."



PAT HOWARD

## Howard Announces

Pat Howard, 50, has authorized this newspaper to announce his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for the office of Parmer County tax assessor.

Currently a Parmer County deputy sheriff, Howard and his wife, Bonnie, live in Farwell. Howard has worked most of his career in law enforcement. He has been a sheriff's deputy the past three and one-half years.

"Hugh Moseley has given excellent service for the citizens of Parmer County during his tenure, and I would like to continue in that vein, and expand on it if possible," Howard said.

"I will appreciate the consideration of the citizens of the county in the primary," he concluded.

## Edd Spring Xmas Project Rites Held On Sunday Deadline Set

Graveside services for Edd Spring, Jr., 55, of Bovina, were held Sunday afternoon at Bovina Cemetery at 2:30 p.m.

Burial was at the Bovina Cemetery under the direction of Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home. Rev. Bill Devers of Friona's Congregational Church officiated. Spring passed away Thursday at Clovis, New Mexico.

He was born August 8, 1932 in Lubbock. He had been a resident of Parmer County for the past two years, moving here from Amarillo.

He was a farmer, a member of the Congregational Church, and a veteran of the U.S. Army, serving in the Korean War.

Survivors include his mother, Dorothy Stewart of Bentonville, Arkansas; two brothers, David Spring of Bentonville, Arkansas and Don Spring of Bovina; and several nieces and nephews.

## Cantata Set

First Baptist Church will present a cantata, "Call Him Jesus" Sunday night at 7 p.m.

Grady Sorley will direct the Christmas musical. The public is invited.

Project Christmas Card is underway in Bovina, sponsored by the Bovina Woman's Study Club, in conjunction with the First Bank.

For the seventh consecutive year, the money raised through the project this year will go toward the Bovina Ambulance Fund.

Residents of the area are asked to donate at least the amount of money to the project they would ordinarily spend on mailing Christmas cards to friends and neighbors, taking into consideration the cost of cards and postage.

Donations may be made at the First Bank in Bovina, and all contributors are asked to indicate the way they want their names listed. Names of all donors will be printed and featured in the Christmas edition of the Bovina Blade.

In order to be included in this special list, contributions should be made by Friday, December 18.

## Morgan Won't Moseley Seek Election To Retire

Sheriff Bill Morgan, who has served two terms as Parmer County Sheriff, told the Bovina Blade this week that he would not be a candidate for re-election.

Morgan was critical of the salary set-up for the county sheriff. He did not reveal his future plans.

There's going to be a changing of the guard in the Parmer County Tax Assessor's office.

After serving in the post for 25 years, Hugh Moseley announced he will not seek re-election. Moseley, a Democrat, is retiring from the job.

As of December 14

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Bales of cotton had been ginned in Parmer County.

# 'Sparky' Offers Xmas Safety Advice

As Christmas approaches, Southwestern Public Service Company (SPS) and "Sparky the Safety Mouse" again are reminding people to be cautious around electricity and electrical appliances. To help guarantee your family will have its safest and happiest holiday season yet, "Sparky" hopes you will remember to:

**\*Treat Christmas trees with care.** Select a fresh, green tree. Trim its base and place in a tree stand or other container with a water reservoir. Then water frequently. If your tree dries out and needles turn brown and break off easily, it could become a fire hazard. Be sure to place the tree away from fireplaces, wall heaters or other heat sources and make sure it doesn't block doorways or other frequently used pathways in your home.

If you prefer an artificial tree, look for one that has been certified as fire-resistant. If you choose a metal tree, don't use electric lights. If these lights should malfunction and electrically charge the tree, you could get a dangerous shock by touching any part of the tree. Be safety conscious—illuminate a metal tree with colored floodlights or spotlights, instead.

After the holidays, dispose of the tree safely. Don't burn leftover

branches in the fireplace; evergreens can burst into flames easily and unexpectedly.

**\*Trim the tree safely.** Make sure tree lights have been safety-certified by a recognized testing agency such as Underwriters Laboratory (UL). Then check lights for frayed or bare wires, cracked insulation, loose connections or damaged plugs before hanging them on the tree.

As you decorate the tree, position bulbs downward so they do not come into contact with branches or needles. Always use fire-resistant decorations, never paper or other flammable items, on your Christmas tree.

**\*Use Christmas lights correctly.** Don't use indoor lights outside. Because indoor tree lights are not waterproof, they can short-circuit in rainy or snowy weather. Don't use outdoor lights inside, either. Because outdoor lights burn hotter, they can create a fire hazard if hung on a Christmas tree or dried greenery.

Be especially careful when hanging outdoor lights on rooftops or in tall trees. Look up for power lines first, then be sure neither you nor your decorations are anywhere near these lines.

Finally, avoid fire hazards by turning off indoor Christmas lights before you leave the house or go to bed for the night.

**\*Buy safety-approved electrical gifts.** Before buying electrical toys or appliances, look for the UL or other symbol that shows the item has been certified by a recognized safety testing agency.

**\*Think electrical safety.** During the holidays, and all year 'round, don't plug in too many lights, appliances or other electrical devices to an electrical circuit. Overloading electrical outlets can cause a fire.

Before using extension cords, always check for wear or damage, then avoid placing them beneath carpets or rugs where they could become a fire hazard.

Finally, have a safe and happy holiday season, knowing you have helped protect your family from potential electrical hazards.

SPS primarily provides electric service to a population of about one million people in a 52,000-square-mile area of the South Plains and Panhandle of Texas, eastern and southeastern New Mexico, the Panhandle of Oklahoma and southwestern Kansas.



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## Direct Deposit Will Offer Advantage

Residents of the Clovis area who get Social Security benefits can reap several advantages by taking part in the direct deposit program and have their checks deposited directly into an account in a financial institution, Carl Thompson, Social Security Manager in Clovis, said recently.

Checks are sent directly to a checking or savings account in a bank, savings institution, credit union, or other financial institution rather than to the person's home.

Direct deposit advantages include:

\*A person does not have to be home to get the check. The money is available right away.

\*There is no worry about the check being lost or stolen.

\*There is no need to stand in line to cash or deposit the check.

\*A checkbook provides a written record for keeping track of one's money.

To arrange for direct deposit, a person should complete direct deposit form SF-1199. The form can be obtained at any financial institution. A person's Social Security check contains all the information needed to complete the form. A person should check to make sure how the institution will handle the account.

It is very important for people with direct deposit to continue notifying Social Security of any address change so they will receive any notices sent about their benefits.

More information about direct deposit can be obtained at the

Clovis Social Security office, located at 912 Parkland. The telephone number is 762-4595.

## Riddle Takes Part In Practice Series

Jon Riddle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jon Lin Riddle, is among several Southwestern Oklahoma State University students at Weatherford, who will be doing their pharmacy practice courses, a series of three rotations in selected pharmacy sites across the state of Oklahoma, during the spring 1988 semester.

All students are fifth-year students who are completing requirements for graduation or

lack one semester of course work. Students will work under the close supervision of registered pharmacists at the sites.

Jon will be working in Clinton and Weatherford, Oklahoma.

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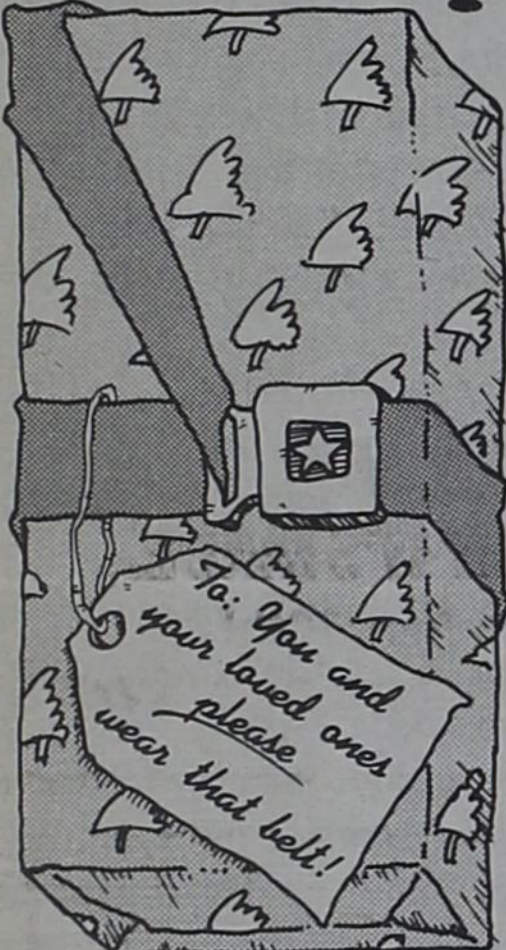
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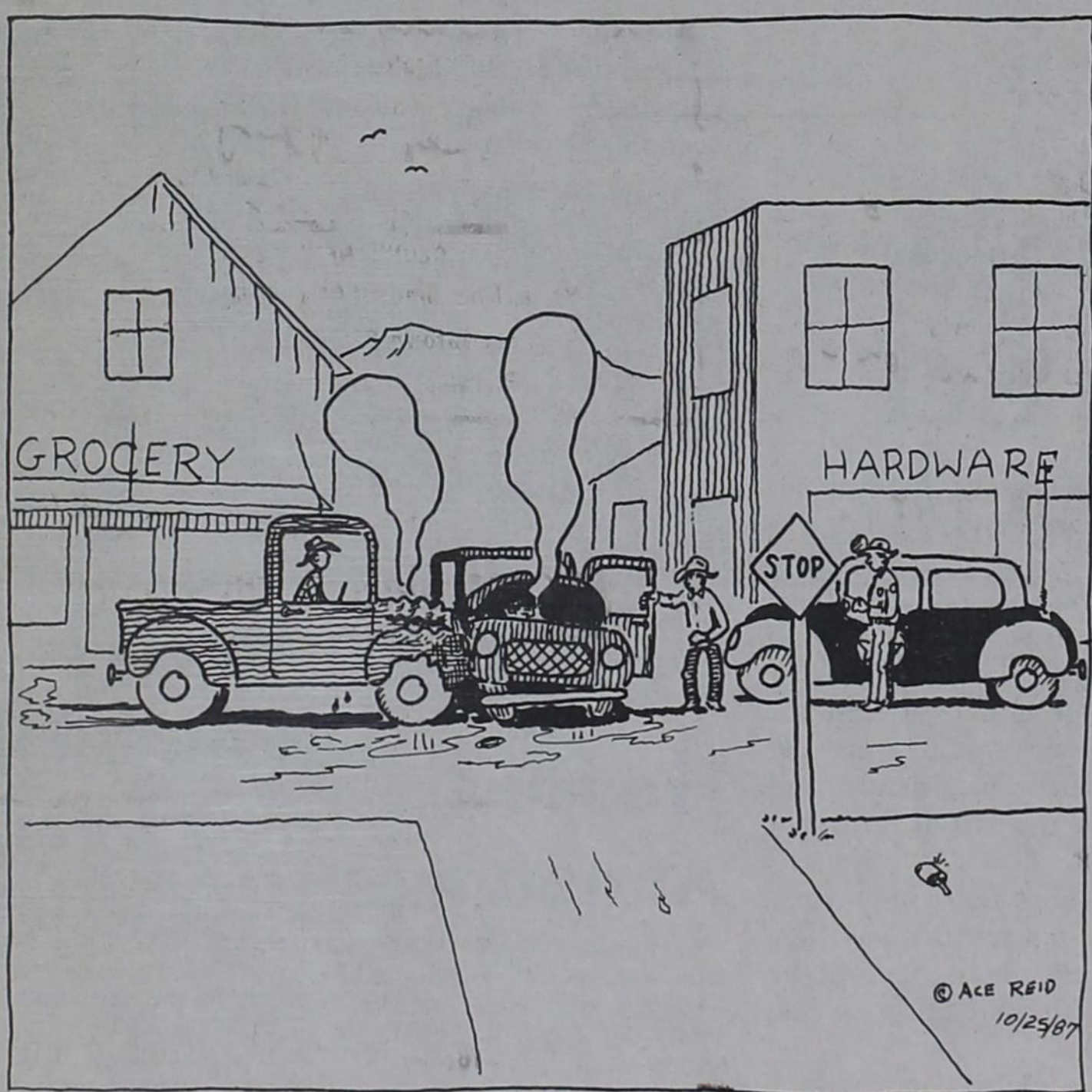
## Holiday Gift Wrap



A message from this newspaper and the Texas Dept. of Public Safety

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By Ace Reid



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## Prairie Acres Party Line

By DONNA ECHOLS

We are really getting excited about Christmas. Some of the residents are already deciding what they want and are working on what they are giving.

We want to thank those of you who have been gracious to us at this special time. Thanks to Jinx Snead for Christmas cards for the residents to share with each other. We appreciate Grace Parr for bringing Christmas bows and ribbon for packages. We thank Estela Rejino, Mercedes Williams, Irma Aragon and son, Matilda Baca and Pearl Cervantez for their visit this week to the residents.

We express our sympathy to the family of Violet Jones. Violet lived at Prairie Acres this past year and died this week. We also express our sorrow to Beth Shelton and her family. Beth is a bookkeeper here. Trista, Tate and Trent have all worked for Prairie Acres and so we share our sympathy at this time of grief.

The Sixth Street Church of

### Baby Shower December 19

Denise Anderson and baby son, Zane Rydon, will be honored with a baby shower on Saturday, December 19 from 2-3:30 p.m. at the Fellowship Hall of the First Baptist Church.

Hostesses are Susan Kerby, Esther Steelman, Judy Hodnett, Kay Williams, Kay Venable, Susan Hughes, Jeanne Kerby, Sharon Terry, Jana Barrett, Juanda Murphy, Dorothy Sorley, Martha Schueler, Cecelia Schueler, Lorna Schueler and Kathy Rundell.

### Bridal Shower Is Slated Here

Anna Koelzer, bride-elect of Brad Howell, will be honored with a bridal shower on December 19 at 2 p.m. at the First Bank Community Room.

Hostesses are Devanee Englant, Michelle Dopp, Peggy Howell, Shirlene Koelzer, Irma Jo Englant, Sue Fowler and Angie Riley.

Selections are at Kirkpatrick's and the Bovina Supermarket.

Christ held our worship service Sunday and the Friona United Methodist Church will be here this Sunday at 4 p.m.

The Sixth Street Church of Christ women did nail and hair care this week. On December 15, the First Baptist Church women will be here. On December 22, the women from the Friona United Methodist Church will be here.

We had a party to honor the clergy from the Friona area. This was held Monday morning at 10 a.m. Leon Talley was presented with an appreciation plaque. A plaque with a list will be hung in the lobby at Prairie Acres with names for each pastor of the year.

Deb Hendley, LVN, is attending school to become a Registered Nurse. She is studying hard, making good grades and we are proud of her.

Doctor Paul Spring made rounds here on Wednesday and we want to thank him and Doctor Alexander for their professional work, and especially for their personal care and time they spend with each resident.

The Prairie Acres staff will have a Christmas party on December 22 at 3 p.m.

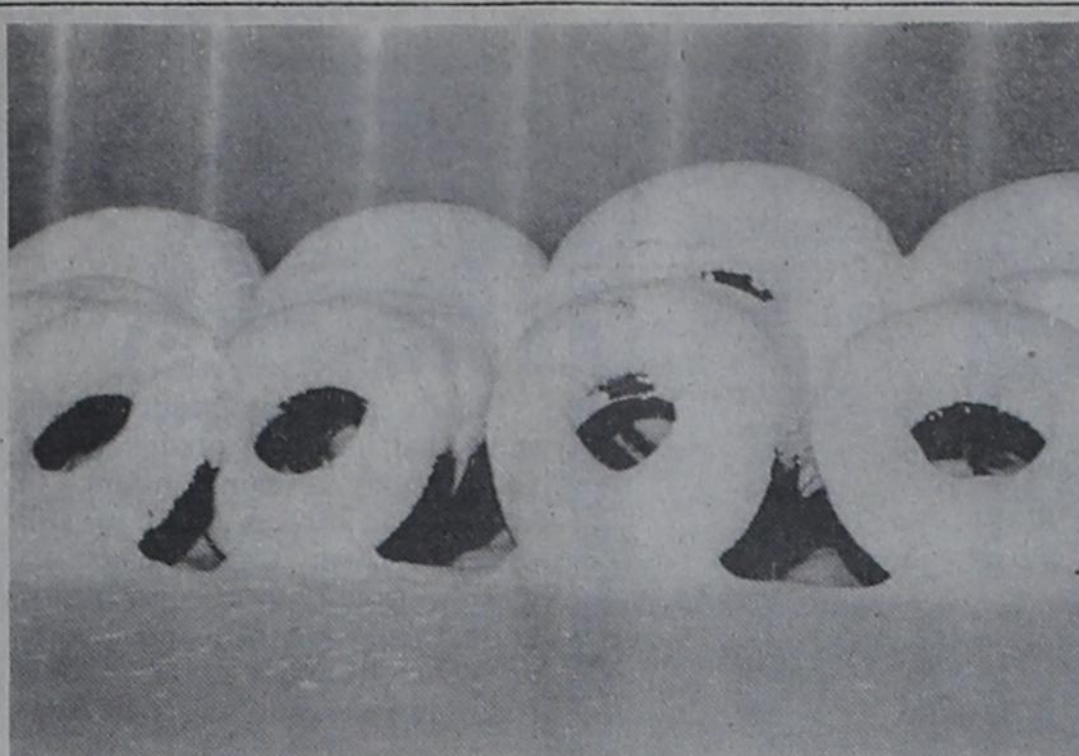
We want to thank the Friona State Bank for birthday flowers and popcorn they are so gracious to send each month, especially at Christmas time.

Alta Collier donated a foam egg crate mattress to Prairie Acres and we thank her.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gaede celebrated a wedding anniversary on December 1. They were married on this day in 1930.

We have received memorials for Raymond Euler from the Commissioners Court of Parmer County and Elected Officials, from Jo, John and Marcia Blackwell and from Mr. and Mrs. Jarrell Wright. We received a donation in memory of Violet Jones from Glen and Ruth Stevick. We received a sizeable gift of cash from the members of the Friona Masonic Lodge 1332 on behalf and recognition of all the widows of the Masonic Lodge.

We hope you have a great week preparing for the Christmas season.



**SNOW DOUGHNUTS...**One of the unusual sights brought about by the large snowfall was this group of tires belonging to Walter Hutchins. The tires looked like frosted doughnuts.

## Teen Killed, Four Hurt At L'Buddie

A teen-ager was killed and four other people injured in a two-vehicle collision Friday evening at Farm-to-Market Roads 145 and 1172 in Parmer County, the Department of Public Safety said.

Russell Scott Redwine, 13, of Lazbuddie, was pronounced dead at 6:45 p.m. at Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona after suffering extensive head and internal injuries, authorities said.

Officials said Redwine was not wearing a seat belt when the accident occurred.

A 1985 GMC pickup driven by Redwine stopped at a stop sign on FM 1172, then pulled out in front of a 1986 GMC pickup traveling east on FM 145 and driven by Nancy Villegas, 20, of Hart, DPS reported.

The vehicle driven by Villegas collided with the Redwine pickup on the driver's side, authorities said.

A passenger in the Redwine vehicle, Clint Farris, 13, of Lazbuddie, was treated and released from West Plains Medical Center in Muleshoe Saturday afternoon, a hospital spokeswoman said.

Villegas suffered neck and back injuries in the collision and was treated at West Plains Medical Center and released Saturday, hospital authorities said.

Claudia Villegas, one, and

Christopher Villegas, four months, suffered minor injuries and were treated and released, troopers said.

Nancy Villegas was wearing a seat belt. Christopher Villegas was in an infant seat, and Claudia Villegas was not secured, DPS said.

Services for Redwine were held Sunday in Lazbuddie Methodist Church with the Rev. Larry Reed Farris, pastor, and Rev. Andy Rogers of the Church of Christ of Antlers, Oklahoma, officiating. Burial was at Lazbuddie Cemetery by Ellis Funeral Home of Muleshoe.

Redwine was a lifelong Lazbuddie resident. He was an eighth grader at Lazbuddie Junior High School, where he played on the football and basketball teams. He was a member of the First Methodist Church and the Lazbuddie 4-H Club.

Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harrol Redwine of Lazbuddie; a sister, Susan Redwine of Lazbuddie; his grandparents, Nina Redwine and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Seaton, all of Lazbuddie; and his great-grandmother, Dixie Barnes of Friona.

Memorials may be to the Russell Scott Redwine Scholarship Fund in care of the Eighth Grade Sponsors, Lazbuddie Schools.

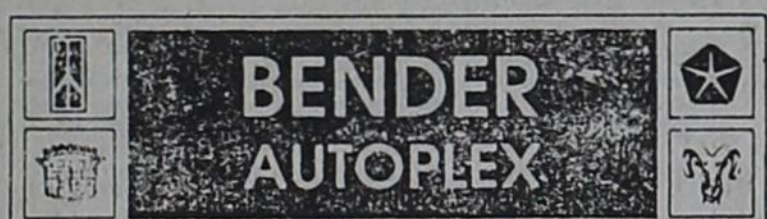
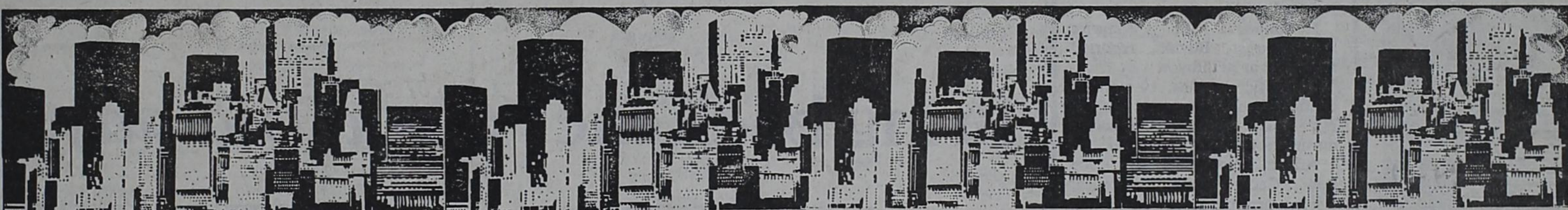
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**FARM SHOW BOOTH....**Tommie Weemes, right, of Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative, and Larry Lester, Southwestern Public Service Company senior marketing representative, are shown at the recent Amarillo Farm and Ranch Show where officials of the two electric companies distributed information on the heat pump, an air conditioning/heating unit. An estimated 20,000 people from the Texas Panhandle, South Plains, New Mexico and Oklahoma attended the three-day exhibition.

## GTE Will Pilot New Telephone Concept

Certain individuals in areas served by General Telephone in Texas who presently do not have telephone service may be eligible for reduced telephone installation charges as part of a national program being piloted in Texas to expand the availability of telephone service.

E.L. "Buddy" Langley, president of General Telephone, said installation fees for eligible participants will be reduced by a maximum of \$30 with the balance payable without interest in four equal monthly payments.

Texas is one of four states in which the program, called Link Up America, is being piloted. The telephone company official said

the goal is to preserve and promote telephone service for low income households and to get those Americans who currently do not have telephone service onto the telephone network.

The concept of Link Up America was proposed earlier this year by the Federal-State Joint Board to the Federal Communications Commission. The FCC adopted the program in

## Police Report

NOVEMBER 1-30, 1987

Miscellaneous reports November 10, 1987: Chet Hawkins reported burglary of a motor vehicle. Several items were taken while the vehicle was parked at Bovina Fuel Co.

November 16: Maurice Shuffelburger, Bovina, reported an assault at 305 Boyce.

19 traffic citations, 10 warning citations issued during the month. No traffic accidents reported during the month.

Arrests: November 7, 11:09 p.m., George Vega Rodriguez, Bovina, arrested at the intersection of Third and North Streets, for driving while intoxicated.

November 8, 12:50 p.m., Santiago Barrientos of Bovina was arrested at the intersection of Second and Avenue E for driving while driver's license suspended.

November 20, 10:11 p.m., Conrado Anchondo, Friona, arrested in 200 block of Gardiner, for driving while intoxicated.

November 28, 1:20 p.m., Kenneth and Denise Freel of Dodge City, Kansas, were arrested at 506 Avenue E on Kansas warrants for possession of marijuana and theft.

April.

The program will be funded through interstate telephone revenues.

Qualification for the program is based on income level and eligibility for social service assistance programs. In general, an individual or household will qualify if income is below the federal poverty level, and the individual has not had telephone service for at least three months.

Qualified individuals who are interested in more details or who might want to sign up for the program are asked to contact the Link Up America representative in the General Telephone business office.

The program is limited to reduced installation charges and does not include any assistance with monthly phone charges.

Finally got that beautiful big snow that has been predicted and by Monday evening about 14 inches had fallen and is still coming down. Can't remember when we could not get out, but by noon finally got husband Jim to drive me to work. Most people stayed in and schools were closed.

Bedford Caldwell was taken to the Friona hospital early Monday morning by Bovina Ambulance and later transferred to the Deaf Smith County General Hospital in Hereford suffering from bleeding ulcers and breathing problems.

Chester Haney underwent surgery at the Lubbock Methodist Hospital this morning (Monday). It was a very serious type of surgery and we have not found out about him as of yet.

We express our sympathies to the family of little Russell Redwine of Lazbuddie who was killed in a two vehicle accident on Friday. He was Clyde Redwine's nephew. The child's cousin was killed in an accident about six months ago in Lazbuddie.

Funeral services were held for Charles Wiseman of Hereford. He was T.C. Wiseman's dad. We express our sympathies to his wife and family.

Funeral services were held for Edd Spring, brother of Don Spring. He died on Thursday of last week and services were held Sunday. Our sympathies to Don and family.

Rusty and Rebecca Smallwood and son, Trevor, were in Bovina over the weekend visiting with Rebecca's parents, Larry and Judy Hodnett. The family attended church together Sunday.

Leslie and Rose McCain enjoyed having their son visiting for the pheasant hunting weekend. Butch and friends, Ron and Don Switcher of Omega, Oklahoma came on Friday and left Sunday morning.

Jim Russell's cousin, Curtis Russell, came from Dallas on Friday of last week and spent a few days. The men went pheasant hunting but were not very successful, as were most reports from hunters.

Leora Garner visited in the home of her son, Keith Garner and his family, and attended church with them on Sunday.

It was a real treat for the community when we were privileged to see the musical presented on Sunday evening at the First United Methodist Church. All those who worked to make it the success it was are to be congratulated.

Brenda Wilson was in charge and as always she is great working with the children. Anyway, we thank all of you and especially to the youngsters who made it so beautiful!

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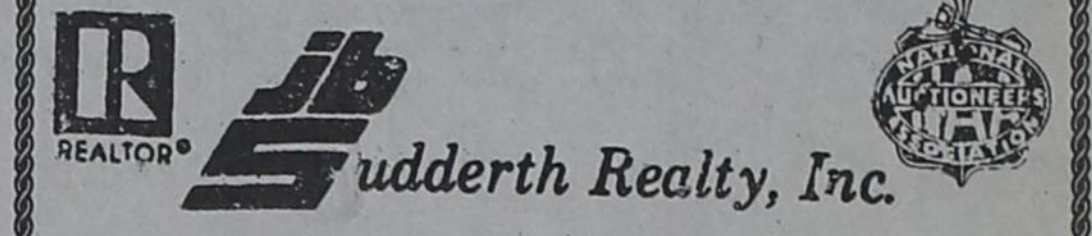
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Each year, the highway department spends \$17,225,500 for goods and services through an interagency contract with TDC. The range of work was outlined in a report given recently by Henry Thomason, the department's deputy director in charge of field operations, to the state highway commission. Funds from the highway contract go into TDC's Industrial Revolving Fund and are used for raw materials, overhead costs, and salaries for TDC staff. Six million license plates are manufactured for about \$1 each. In addition, \$2 million is spent for 20 million validation stickers; \$2 million for updating vehicle registration and title information, and for putting the data on microfilm; \$20,000 for other microfilm services; and \$8,000 for bindery services.

Material and labor for 1.7 million square feet of highway signs and 395,000 roadway reflectors cost the highway department \$5.8 million. The agency also spends \$147,000 on guardrail maintenance; \$1 million on the manufacture and installation of 330 dump truck beds; \$7,000 for fueling vehicles; \$143,000 for recapping nearly 3,500 tires; and \$100,000 on custom-built equipment, such as sign trailers, gravel spreaders, water tanks, tarpaulins, and other truck parts. Approximately 2,000 inmates are involved with highway contract work. TDC presently has more than 38,000 inmates in 27 prison units. Staff services officer Dale Story

said that work is assigned on the unit level. Selection is based on prisoners' physical ability, unit location, trustworthiness, work history, vocational training, and experience at TDC. Additionally, TDC is an equal employment opportunity employer and has an affirmative action program. "Every inmate who's able to work is required to work for the state. This offsets the cost of housing, medical expenses, and any educational opportunity they get," he said.

While inmates derive no direct salary, they do earn time against their sentences. Cathy McVey, administrator for human service programs, said the civil statute allowing prisoners to earn "good time" dates back to 1925. The amount of "good time" inmates can earn depends on the type of offense committed and their record while in prison. She said "good time" is considered an "indicator of good institutional adjustment" and is a factor the parole board takes into account.

"Earning 'good time' is basic to inmates' motivation to work," McVey added. "It's their paycheck. To inmates, earning days is probably as precious as earning dollars."

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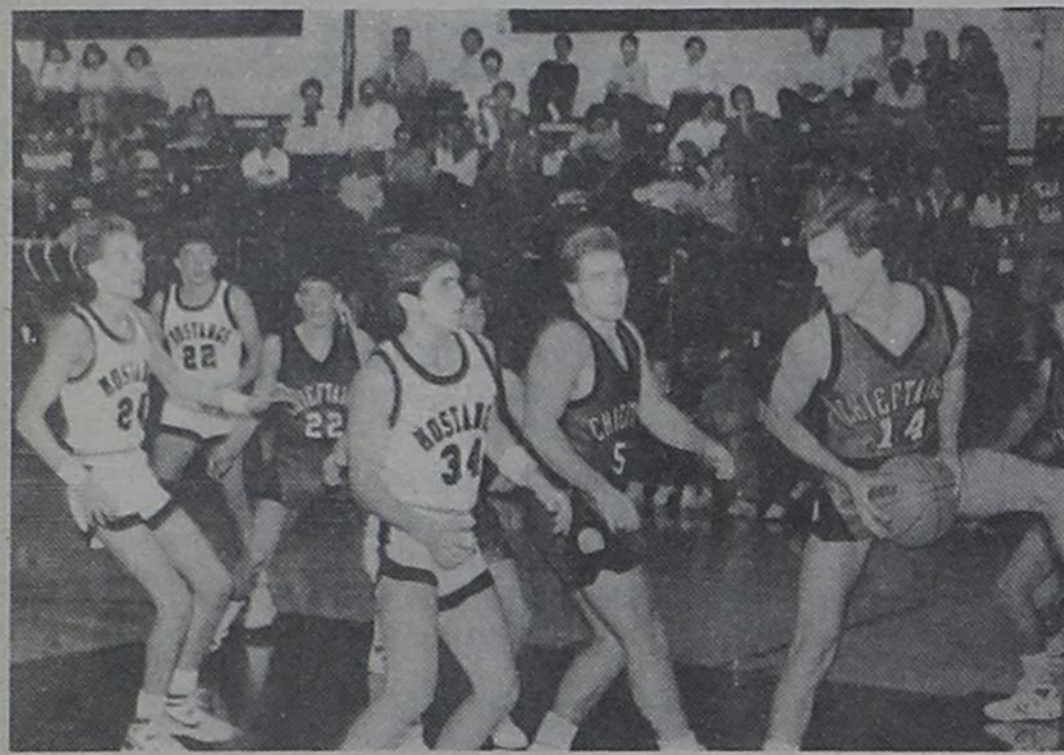
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**MUSTANGS...**The 1987 Bovina Mustang team, which won the Vega tournament and placed second in the Farwell tournament, is shown. From the left are Gabriel Mancini, Kenny McLaughlin, Billy Scott Sudderth, Steve Gauntt, Byron Neal, Scott Scaff, Denver Riddle, Todd Ware, Vicente Munoz, Matt Fox and Manuel Porras. Kneeling in front is Coach Marks Lanham.



**CORNERING THE CHIEFS...**Bovina basketball players are shown in action against the Friona Chieftains. From the left are Denver Riddle, Matt Fox, and Steve Gauntt. Friona's Daniel Echols (14) has the ball. Bovina won the game, 66-46.

**Tournament Box Scores**

**MUSTANGS 88, Grady 55** Farwell 80, **MUSTANGS 66**  
 Sudderth 3-2-8; Mancini 0-1\*-1- Sudderth 3-0-6; Fox 0-3\*-6;  
 4; Fox 5\*-1-16; Riddle 11-8-30; Riddle 1-2-4; Scaff 15-11-41;  
 Scaff 6-3-15; Gauntt 5-2-12; Gauntt 3-3-9.  
 Munoz 1-1-3.

**Local Cage Tourney Is Slated**

Bovina will be hosting their own invitational tournament this weekend, with games on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Play starts at 4 p.m. Thursday. Bovina will be playing teams from Hart in first-round action Thursday evening. Other teams in the boys' bracket are Boys Ranch and Hereford junior varsity. The girls will face either Lorenzo or Dimmitt JV in their second round. Other teams in the upper bracket are Vega and Farwell and Canyon JV and Plains. Vega and Farwell should join the Mustangs in making a run for the title. Lorenzo is a favorite in the girls' division. Fans are urged to attend the tournament.

**School's Holiday**

Bovina schools will dismiss for the Christmas holidays on Friday, December 18 at 2:30 p.m. School will be out for two weeks, with classes resuming at the regular time on Monday, January 4, 1988.

**Mustangs Lose First Cage Game Vs. Steers**

The Bovina Mustangs won three games during the past week, running their season record to 8-0 before falling 80-66 in the finals of the Farwell tournament Saturday night.

On Tuesday, the Mustangs downed Three Way, 85-39 in a game here. Scott Scaff scored 28 points as five Mustangs scored in double figures. Bovina led 45-18 at the half.

In the first-round tournament game, the Mustangs hit the 100-mark in a 101-65 win over Melrose, N.M. Scaff burned the nets with 32 points, Denver Riddle had 22 and Scott Sudderth had 19.

Bovina hit 28 of 32 from the free throw line to help make the century mark. The Mustangs also shot well from the field. Melrose hurt their cause with a number of technical fouls.

Bovina enjoyed quarter leads of 23-16, 56-30, 83-43 and 101-65.

On Friday, Bovina outscored another New Mexico team, Grady, 88-55.

Riddle had the hot hand against Grady with 30 points. Matt Fox hit five three-point field goals. "They were letting him shoot the shot, and he made them," said Coach Marks Lanham.

In the finals against Farwell, Bovina got off to a bad start, trailing after a quarter, 24-13, and 42-31 at the half. It was 58-46 after three quarters.

Scaff again had a great night, hitting 41 points, his season high. But no other Mustang was in double figures.

"Farwell just outplayed us. Our shots weren't falling, but Farwell had something to do with that. Thank goodness it wasn't a district game," Coach Lanham remarked.

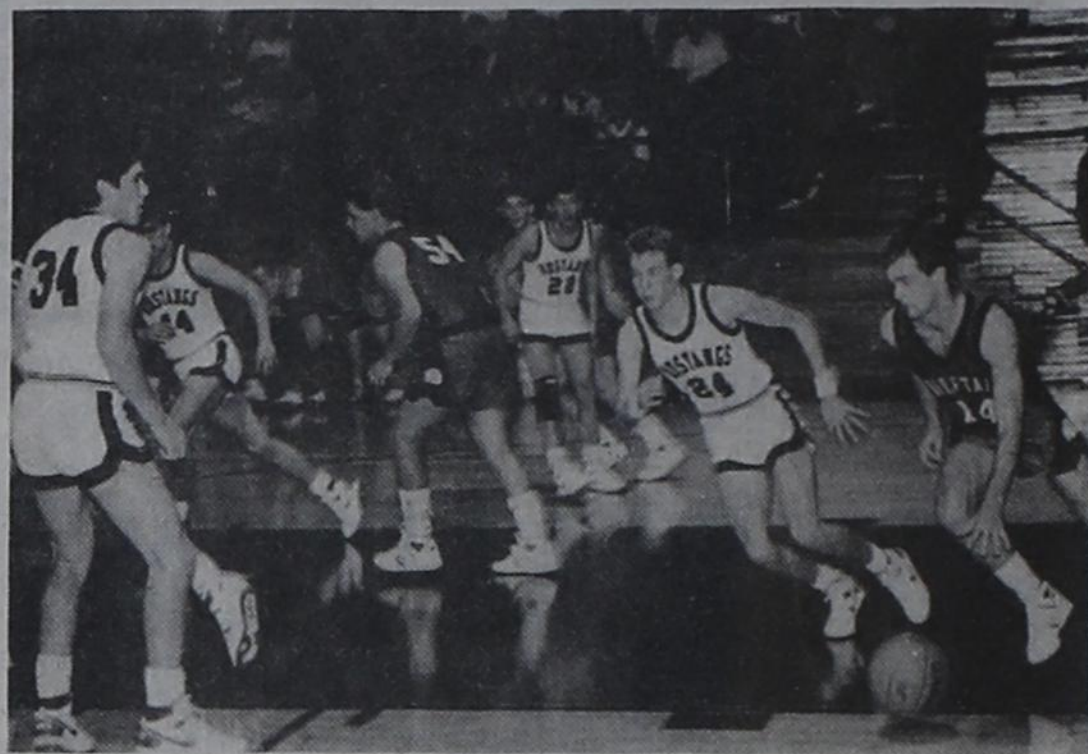
Scaff made the all-tournament team.

**MUSTANGS 85, Three Way 39**

Scott Sudderth 6-1\*-15; Mancini 0-1-1; Matt Fox 5-0-10; Denver Riddle 4-3-11; Scott Scaff 14-0-28; Steve Gauntt 2-0-4; Todd Ware 1-0-2; Manuel Porras 5-0-10; Kenny McLaughlin 2-0-4.

**MUSTANGS 101, Melrose 65**

Sudderth 5-9-19; Fox 5-5-15; Riddle 8-1\*-3-22; Scaff 13-6-32; Gauntt 3-2-8; Vicente Munoz 1-0-2; Ware 0-3-3.



**CAGE ACTION...**The Mustangs are shown in recent action against Friona. From the left are Steve Gauntt, John Cass, Matt Fox, Denver Riddle and Daniel Echols. Bovina won the game, 66-46.

**Fillies Lose Three Games In Week**

The Fillies lost all three of their starts during the past week.

Last Tuesday night they fell to Three Way, 41-34 in a game at Bovina. The Fillies had the lead after one quarter, 14-9, and led at halftime, 19-18, but Three Way put it together in the second half for the win.

Tonia Chisum scored nine points for high-point honors.

At the Farwell tournament, the Fillies fell to Melrose, 38-23 on Thursday. Marci Dale scored 12 points to pace the Fillies, who trailed, 20-8, 23-13 and 31-18 at the quarter points.

Friday the girls fell to Grady, 48-24. Joanna Clayton scored 12 points to take scoring honors. Bovina trailed, 15-6 and 37-14 in the early going.

"Our scoring is beginning to come around. Winning the games at Vega helped the team," said Coach Marks Lanham. The team stood at 2-7 after their games in the tournament.

**TUESDAY NIGHT**

Three Way 41, Fillies 34  
 Jennifer Beauchamp 2-1-5;  
 Marci Dale 2-1\*-1-8; Libby Marshall 0-1\*-1-4; Joanna Clayton 4-0-8; Tonia Chisum 4-1-9.

**FARWELL TOURNAMENT**

Melrose 38, FILLIES 23  
 Dale 2-2\*-4-12; Marshall 0-2-2;  
 Clayton 0-2-2; Chisum 1-2-4;  
 Steelman 1-1-3.

**Grady 48, FILLIES 24**

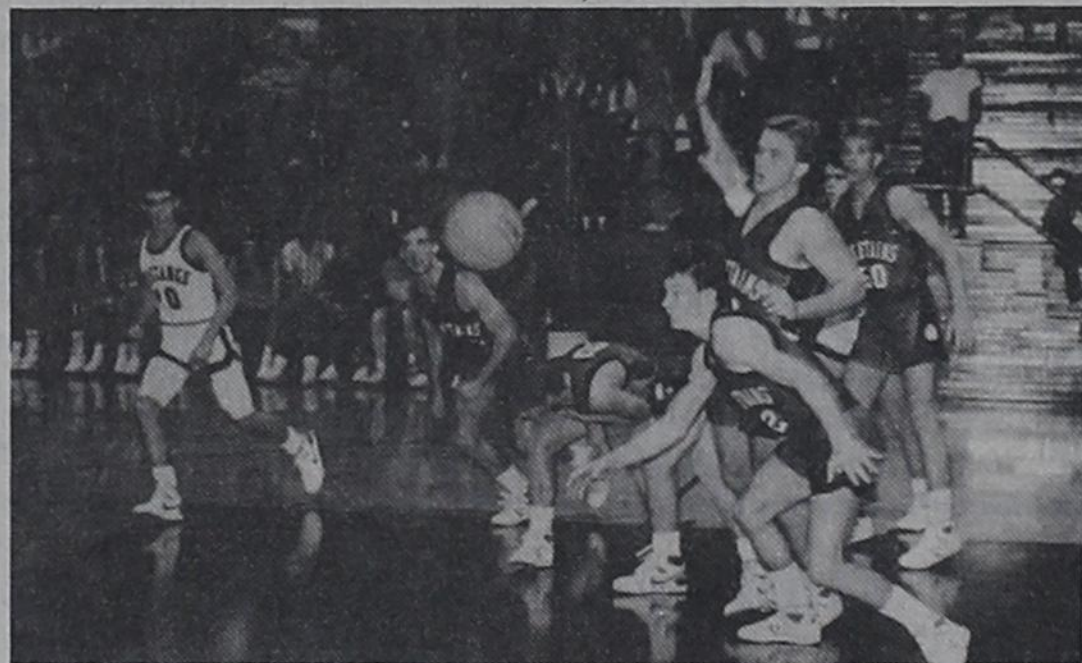
Beauchamp 1-0-2; Dale 1-0-2;  
 Marshall 1-0-2; Clayton 6-0-12;  
 Keri Mitchell 1-0-1; Chisum 0-2-2;  
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**LOOSE BALL...**The basketball is bouncing free amidst a group of Friona Chieftains. Scott Sudderth is shown at the left. The action was from a December 1 game. The two teams were scheduled to play again on Tuesday.

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