

Bull Town Bulle- tins



By
Bill Ellis

THE INABILITY of Congress and the President to achieve a workable federal budget is beginning to make farmers across the nation, including ours right here in Parmer County, squirm more than a little bit.

Until farmers know exactly what they will be facing as regards a new farm program, the farmers have no way of knowing how much of what crop they will be planting in 1996.

The diversification of Parmer County's farmland, which allows for the planting of six to eight different crops is usually a blessing. But the longer that budget-makers and shapers of the farm program take with their tasks, the bigger the farmers' problem will become.

In two other recent years, 1985 and 1990, similar problems were caused by late approval of farm bills. But neither of those bills was as late as the current bill may be.

Our congressman, Larry Combest, is fighting to see that farmers in his district get every break possible. The holdup is a growing concern for Combest. The Republicans want to play hardball with the president, forcing him to honor his balanced budget commitment, but their desire to hold out for a balanced budget has made farmer-producers understandably anxious for action on the new farm bill, Combest said this week.

One faction in Congress is in favor of extending last year's farm program for a year while the budget wrangling continues.

Extending the current program wouldn't be that much of a hindrance for farmers, but achieving this might be a problem.

When the House Agriculture Committee couldn't agree on a program, the farm legislation was moved out of the committee and included in the overall budget bill that pays for all government.

Rural America is sick. It has been depopulated. Revitalizing rural America ought to be the number one concern in Washington, but it is hardly even talked about.

"Today, about 70 per cent of the U.S. population is located in about 130 metropolitan areas. Pretty soon, surrounded by opulence and power, both the ruler and the ruled forget that the opulence and power rests on the shoulders of farmers, who are out of sight, out of mind," says noted columnist Charley Reese.

Reese pointed out that most legislators in Washington today now represent urban areas, and come from urban areas. No presidential candidate can possibly win office with only the rural vote, as once was the case. There are far, far more people on welfare than there are people who actually farm. That fact alone ought to set off alarm bells.

Many urbanites think the government provides hundreds of billions of dollars to farmers. In truth, agricultural subsidies amount to about \$10 billion out of a \$1.4 trillion budget. The present congress voted to spend more on foreign aid than it is planning to spend on subsidies for American farms. That, too, should set off a warning bell.

All urban residents are dependent for their survival on rural folks in general, and farmers in particular. This is one of those truths that is easily forgotten. City people today tend to think milk comes from a plastic bottle, green beans come in a can, hamburgers sprout at MacDonald's, and bread grows magically sliced in a plastic wrapper on the supermarket shelves.

There seems to be a lot of concern these days about preserving the rain forests, endangered species, air and water pollution, etc. The environmentalists spend a lot of time and worry over such things as the spotted owl and the snail-darter fish, as well as spending a lot of taxpayer dollars on these critics.

Perhaps their concern would be better placed if they worried more about another vanishing breed....the family farmer.

Local Stock Show Champions Listed

Grand champion animals in Bovina's local junior livestock show were exhibited by Jake Steelman (steers); Will Bell (heifer); Tyson Kerby (barrow) and Krysta Cockerham (lamb).

There were only one steer and one heifer entered, but there were 24 barrows and 29 sheep.

Complete results were as follows:

HEIFERS
Grand Champion Heifer--Will Bell.

STEERS
Grand Champion Steer--Jake Steelman.

BARROWS
Berkshires
Breed Champion--Freddy Quiroga.

Chester Whites
Breed Champion--Eric Shufelberger; Reserve Breed Champion--Santiago Serna.

Durocs
Lightweight--1. (Reserve Breed Champion) John Stormes; 2. Trent Black.

Heavyweight--1. (Breed Champion) Jason Stone; 2. Josh Kerby; 3. Levi Steelman.

Hampshires
Lightweight--1. Trey Widner; 2. Chris Shufelberger.

Heavyweight--1. (Breed Champion) Jason Kerby; 2. (Reserve Breed Champion) Trey Widner; 3. Trent Black.

Polands And Spots
Lightweight--1. (Breed Champion) Josh Kerby; 2. Joe Villarreal; 3. Santiago Serna.

Heavyweight--1. (Reserve Breed Champion) Levi Steelman; 2. Eric Shufelberger.

Yorkshires
Lightweight--1. (Reserve Breed Champion) Amber Widner; 2. John Stormes; 3. Raul Bermea.

Heavyweight--1. (Breed Cham-

pion) Tyson Kerby; 2. Jason Stone; 3. Freddy Quiroga.

Crosses
Lightweight--1. Jason Stone; 2. Joseph Estraca; 3. Joe Villarreal; 4. Raul Bermea.

Heavyweight--1. (Breed Champion) Levi Steelman; 2. (Reserve Breed Champion) Tammy Stormes; 3. John Stormes; 4. Tammy Stormes.

Grand Champion Barrow--Jason Kerby; Reserve Grand Champion--Tyson Kerby.

LAMBS
Finewool

Lightweight--1. Krysta Cockerham; 2. Kim Lide; 3. Amber Lide.

Heavyweight--1. (Breed Champion) Leslie Wilkins; 2. (Reserve Breed Champion) Krysta Cockerham; 3. Trey Widner; 4. Luke Steelman.

Southdowns
1. (Breed Champion) Jake Steelman; 2. (Reserve Breed Champion) Trey Widner.

Medium Wool
Lightweight--1. Leslie Wilkins; 2. Leslie Wilkins; 3. Krysta Cockerham.

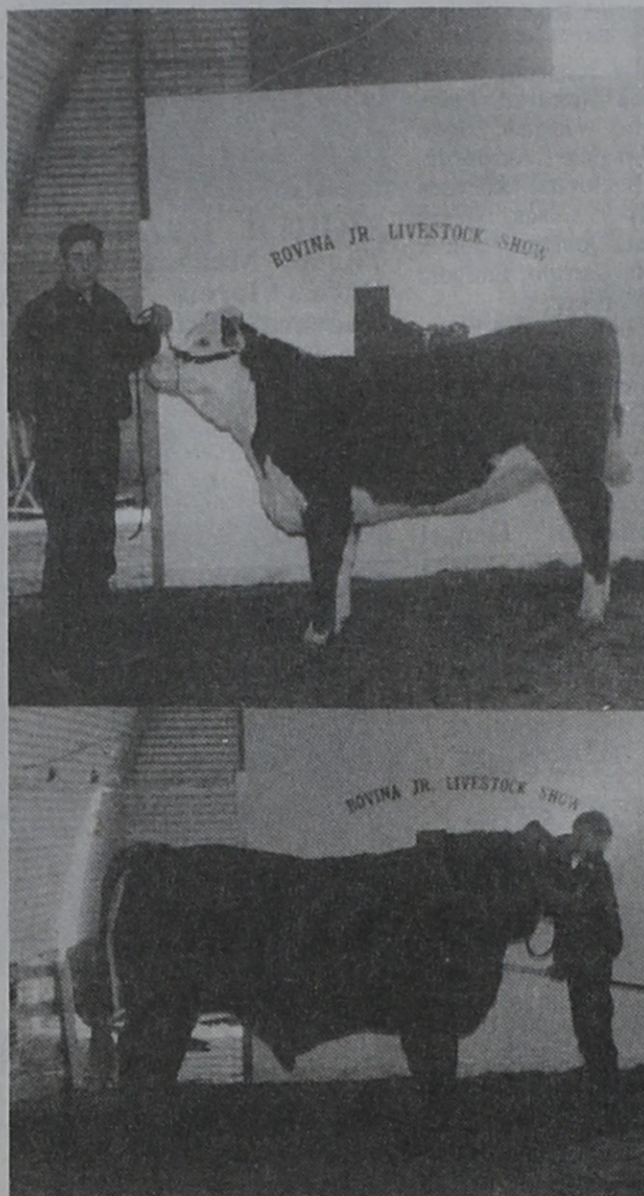
Mediumweight--1. (Breed Champion) Krysta Cockerham; 2. Amber Widner; 3. Jake Steelman; 4. Luke Steelman.

Heavyweight--1. (Reserve Breed Champion) Michael Wilkins; 2. Michael Wilkins; 3. Michael Wilkins; 4. Michael Wilkins.

Finewool Crosses
Lightweight--1. (Reserve Breed Champion) Luke Steelman; 2. Kim Lide; 3. Luke Steelman; 4. Amber Lide; 5. Krysta Cockerham.

Heavyweight--1. (Breed Champion) Leslie Wilkins; 2. Amber Widner; 3. Amber Lide; 4. Kim Lide.

Grand Champion Lamb--Krysta Cockerham; Reserve Grand Champion--Michael Wilkins.



GRAND CHAMPIONS...The Bovina Jr. Livestock Show was held last weekend. The top animals are shown above: (top left) Will Bell, Grand Champion Heifer; (top right) Krysta Cockerham, Grand Champion Lamb; (bottom left) Jake Steelman, Grand Champion Steer; and (bottom right) Jason Kerby, Grand Champion Barrow.



LORI BEAUCHAMP Beauchamp Is Student of the Week

Lori Beauchamp, a BHS junior, was selected as student-of-the-week.

She has attended Bovina schools since kindergarten.

Her parents are Mike and Debra Beauchamp. She has a brother, Tony, a sophomore at BHS, and a sister, Angela, a 1994 graduate of BHS.

She is an active student, participating in basketball, cross country, track, and golf.

She is also a cheerleader, on the student council, one-act play, National Honor Society, and Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

When asked about college, she immediately said Texas Tech, where she hopes to major in sports medicine.

Mid. School TAAS Test Review Set

The faculty of Bovina Middle School invites all parents to the school cafeteria on Saturday, January 27, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. to review your child's 1995 TAAS Test scores.

Also important, the faculty will give you some test-taking tips to help your child raise their grades on the 1996 TAAS Test.

The Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) test is required for all students by the state of Texas.

By attending the January 27 meeting, parents can help their children earn extra points in the following classes: math, science, history, english, and reading. The extra points will be awarded to each child that has at least one parent attend.

There will be refreshments and door prizes and all parents of a middle school student are encouraged to attend in support of the faculty and students.



BIG JIM TRUCK MOVES ON.....Veda McKay is shown holding a plastic camper truck that dates back more than thirty years. With her is Kammy Birdsong, one of the children that Mrs. McKay keeps. See the "Big Jim" truck story for details.

Big Jim Truck Will Be Heading Back Home

Young Jim was born in 1963 to Gaylon and Shelby Rhodes.

When he was 4-5 years old, they bought him a big plastic camper truck that said "Big Jim" on the side. Since his name was Jim too, they liked the little personalized truck for little Jim.

That would have been in about 1967-68. Of course Jim Rhodes out grew the truck eventually. But mother Shelby kept it anyway, like mothers often do.

For a period of time around 1979-80, Shelby Rhodes and Veda McKay operated a daycare center in Bovina. The truck went along as part of the toy collection for the kids.

When Rhodes' health caused her to give up daycare, Veda McKay continued the business and inherited the toys, etc. among them the plastic truck that belonged to Jim Rhodes, who had graduated from Bovina High School in 1980.

In fact, even today, Veda McKay keeps children in her home. Sitting on a small table in the corner of her living room recently was the plastic Big Jim camper truck, none the worse for wear after more than thirty years.

Mrs. McKay found it again in

her store room as she prepared for a recent garage sale and plans to give it back to Gaylon and Shelby Rhodes as soon as they learn about it in this Bovina Rhoad story.

Maybe Jim Rhodes would want it since he is now married and has a couple of kids of his own. Maybe it will just go back into a storeroom to be rediscovered at a future date.

Either way, the Big Jim camper has traveled many a mile in the imaginations of countless little ones over the years. Maybe they just ought to park it and let those memories live on.

L. Holman On WTAMU Deans' List

Libby Holman, daughter of Linda and Billy Lynn Marshall of Bovina, made the Fall 1995 Deans' List at West Texas A&M University.

Students on the Deans' list achieved GPAs of at least 3.250 with a minimum of 12 undergraduate hours.

Holman is majoring in reading.

Sugar Beet Growers Annual Banquet Set

The Texas Sugar Beet Growers Association Annual Meeting and Banquet will be held January 19-20 in Hereford.

The annual meeting began at 9:30 a.m. January 19 at the Hereford Community Center. Lunch was served. The banquet will be held Saturday, January 20 at the Deaf Smith County Bull Barn. Key speakers will include Roger Hill, president of Holly Sugar Corp., and Holly marketing representative, Doug Ehrenkranz.

Also representing Holly will be Calvin Jones, Kenneth Chambers, Terry Anvik and Dennis Printz. Texas Agricultural Experiment Station researchers in Bushland will review the past year's beet studies.

One of the most sought after speakers in Texas, Ken Chambers, will be the key entertainment at the annual banquet. He is from Dawn. Chambers is unique in that, while being a polished public speaker, he is also an inspector for the Texas & Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association. He likes to call his

Health-Ed Advisers Needed

Bovina ISD is asking for parent and community member volunteers to serve on a Health Education Advisory Council for the district.

The council, established by law under Senate Bill 1, is to assist the school in ensuring that local community values and health issues are reflected in the district's human sexuality instruction.

It must include parents of students enrolled in the district as a majority of the council members.

Other members may include teachers, school administrators, students, health care professionals and other interested members of the community.

The council, acting in an advisory capacity, will recommend to the School Board any course materials and instruction relating to human sexuality, sexually transmitted diseases, or human immunodeficiency virus or acquired immune deficiency syndrome.

Anyone wishing to serve as a member of this group may volunteer by notifying the superintendent's office. Members of the council will be chosen from the list of volunteers by February 2, 1996.

speech, "How Not To Steal Cattle For Fun and Profit."

Cleavinger, a leader on the American Sugar Beet Growers Association board, discussed ASGA's outstanding efforts to maintain a sound U.S. Sugar Program. Cleavinger had some new insight as to what may be seen in Washington as Congress and the Clinton administration struggle to pass a farm bill.

Hill is expected to discuss Holly's continued commitment to the Hereford region, where it has invested millions of dollars in building, expanding and maintaining one of the nation's most efficient beet processing plants.



TINA SIDES T. Sides is Teacher Of The Week

The Bovina Blade teacher-of-the-week spotlights Tina Sides, third grade teacher at Bovina Elementary.

She is a graduate of Farwell High School and received her degree from West Texas State University in 1974 and worked for First State Bank of Bovina for two years.

She is married to James Sides. They have three children: Jacquelyn, a freshman at WTAMU, Jim Bob, a high school senior, and Ginger, a high school freshman.

The Sides' farm and feed cattle in the Oklahoma Lane Community.

She told the Blade, "This is my ninth year in Bovina. I enjoy the cooperative staff and administrators and the supportive school board. I also have a terrific group of students."

Mrs. Sides has taught third grade the entire time she has been a Bovina teacher.

Elem. Third Six Weeks Honor Roll Is Given

Principal Darla Sealey released the Bovina Elementary honor roll for the third six weeks of the school year.

ALL A's

Skyla Cockerham, Vanessa Garcia, Matthew Royce, Charlie Rundell, Zane Anderson, Zachary Quiroga, Ashley Perez, Sandra Perez, Karla Rivera, David Salazar, Trey Widner, Luzana Chavez, Crystal Morris, Randa Englant,

Christopher Ortiz, Kasi Birdsong, Kris Galvan, Courtney Jamerson, Jill Sorley, Jake Steelman.

ALL A's & B's

Brandon Black, Marco Castaneda, Dina Garcia, Saul Martinez, David Perez, Billy Sherbon, Justin Ware, Iliana Garza, Cody Jamerson, Dorothy Martinez, Elizabeth Ortiz, Edda Robles, Irma Rocha, Victor Garcia.

Also, Holly Johnson, Carlos Munoz, Joshua Ramirez, Luisa Saenz, Bacillio Viernes, Hugo Aguilon, Jessica Amaran, Christopher Bachicha, Rebecca Carrillo, Jeffrey Casas, David Guevara, Daniela Quintero, Jennifer Reyna, Victoria Carrillo, Emigdio Flores, Roger Martinez.

Also, Rebeca Viernes, John Nelson, Holyne Ortiz, Maria Perez, Adriana Ramirez, Romualdo Ruiz, Mayra Banuelos, Teresa Brito, Maribel Chairez, Mark Peabody, Gonzalo Quintero, Abraham Rocha, Christy Villarreal, Troy Turner, Matthew Villarreal, Manuel Chavez, Sergio Antillon, Sandra Guevara, Josh Kerby, Raul Mejia, Adolfo Perez, Maritssa Salazar, Amber Widner, Trent Black, Destiny Cruz, Mike Olvera, Agustin Ruiz.

Elem. First Semester Honor Roll

Principal Darla Sealey released the Bovina Elementary School honor roll for the first semester.

ALL A's

Skyla Cockerham, Vanessa Garcia, Matthew Royce, Charlie Rundell, Courtney Jamerson, Jake Steelman, Jill Sorley, Luzana Chavez, Crystal Morris, Randa Englant, Christopher Ortiz, Kasi Birdsong, Trey Widner.

ALL A's & B's

Brandon Black, Marco Castaneda, Dina Garcia, Saul Martinez, Ashley Perez, David Perez, Karla Rivera, David Salazar, Billy Sherbon, Justin Ware, Matthew Villarreal, Mayra Banuelos, Teresa Brito, Maribel Chairez, Mark Peabody.

Also, Gonzalo Quintero, Abraham Rocha, Christy Villarreal, Maria Perez, Adriana Ramirez, Romualdo Ruiz, Victoria Carrillo, Emigdio Flores, Trent Black.

Also, Destiny Cruz, Agustin Ruiz, Kris Galvan, Josh Kerby, Adolfo Perez, Maritssa Salazar, Amber Widner, Victor Garcia, Holly Johnson, Carlos Munoz, Joshua Ramirez, Luisa Saenz, Hugo Aguilon, Jessica Amaran, Rebeca Carrillo, Daniela Quintero.

Fidel Garcias Have A Boy

Fidel and Catalina Garcia are the proud parents of Bryan Javier Garcia, born December 24, 1995, at 10:52 p.m. in the Muleshoe Hospital.

He weighed six pounds, fifteen ounces and was 22 inches long.

He joins sisters Brandie, 15, and Vanessa, 7, and brother, David, 11.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Tito Viernes of Bovina, and Mr. and Mrs. David Garcia of Mexico.

Shower To Honor Baby

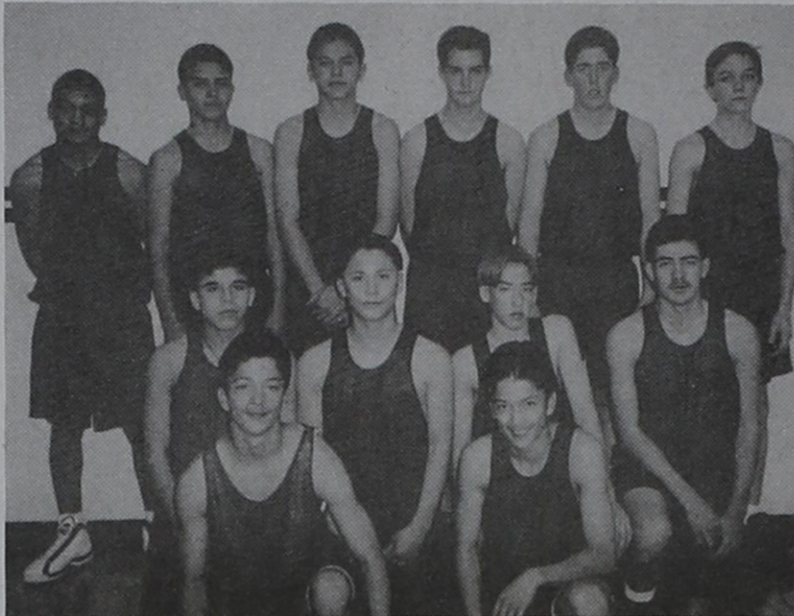
Brianna Michelle, the new baby girl of Brian and Twyla Galloway, will be honored with a baby shower on Saturday, January 27 from 3-4:30 p.m. at the First Bank Community Room.

Brian is the store manager of Lowe's Pay-n-Save Grocery Store in Bovina.

Hostesses for the shower are DeAn Turner, Wendy Stanberry, Melissa Young, Suzan Hughes, Sherri Whitten, Gloria Zoldman, Eloise Saddler, Doris Sides, Leah Mason, Gilda Garner, Jane Trotter, Irene Gomez and Bea Prather.



EIGHTH GRADE FILLIES....Back, l-r, Coach Sharp, Melissa Cano, Kim Moore, Lety Vargas, Dora Flores, front, Marisol Antillon, Adriana Guevara, Misty Pruitt, and Julie Grisham.



JV BOYS....Back, l-r, Billy Chisom, Derrick Vanegas, Freddie Quiroga, J.T. Roach, Will Bell, Jeremy Willard. Middle, l-r, Santiago Vargas, Herman Marquez, Eric Shufflerberger, Ricky Antillon. Front, Johnathan Estraca and Joseph Estraca

Fillies Go To District

The Bovina Fillies began district play last week in a big way. They played the number one ranked team in the state, Nazareth and lost 61-24.

In spite of playing number one, Rachel Turner turned in her best game of the year. She grabbed 13 rebounds, scored seven points, and played some outstanding defense, according to Coach Rundell.

Other Fillies scoring were: D'Anne Jones-6, Lisa Hromas-5, Bonnie Quintana-2, Kasey Bell-2, and Lori Beauchamp-2.

They evened at 1-1 in district play by defeating Kress 44-40, which improved their overall season record to 9-11.

Using a disciplined offense, seven Fillies were in the scoring column against Kress.

Scoring were: Quintana-16, Hromas-10, Turner-6, Jones-5, Beauchamp-4, Bell-2, and Campos-2.

Lori Beauchamp led the Fillies with 10 rebounds.

Jr. Fillies Play Hard

The Bovina 7th, 8th, and 9th grade Fillies took on Nazareth last week.

According to Coach Rundell, all the teams played hard and showed big improvement from the previous outings with these teams.

The 9th grade Fillies were especially good in the first half, but finally fell to Nazareth 43-13.

Scoring for the 9th Fillies were: Priscilla Martinez-3, Tricia Kessler-3, Amanda Smith-3, Carolina Guevara-2, and Vicki Ortiz-2.

In the 8th grade Fillies game, Nazareth won 42-13. Scoring for the Fillies were: Kim Moore-4, Marisol Antillon-4, Lety Vargas-4, and Melissa Cano-1.

The 7th grade Fillies had a better showing in a close game, losing 23-11. The girls hustled and played good defense. Scoring for the 7th Fillies were: J.D. Jones-4, Krysta Morris-3, Dina Lara-3, and Daisy Loera-1.

Political Calendar

The Bovina Blade is authorized to announce the candidacy of the following, subject to the Democratic primary in March:

PARMER COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR
DORIS HERINGTON (re-election)

COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 3
LOWELL PRIMROSE

To finish the tournament, the JV boys defeated Silverton 63-53. Derrick Vanegas led the scoring with 20 points.

Reflections

...from the files of The Bovina Blade

40 YRS AGO--JAN 25 1956

In a game that produced a near rhabarb during the closing seconds, the Bovina Mustangs, though badly outplayed in the second half, managed a 68-65 win over the Clovis High School Wildcats Saturday night in bandbox junior high gym in Clovis.

Farwell's new gym was packed full of excited basketball fans Tuesday night who had come to see a thrilling ball game and they weren't disappointed. The Bovina Mustangs stopped the Farwell Steers 68-66 for the second time in four attempts and the second time in two district games.

Lady Gaines will sell coffee and cake Saturday for the benefit of the March of Dimes. The sale will be held at Gaines Hardware and Furniture Company and a contribution of \$1 will enable an individual to have coffee and cake as many times as he wants during the day.

Among the college students from Bovina who are home for the mid-semester vacation are Huey Lowery, Charlie Williams, Glendon Sudderth, Ted Walling, Dick Martin, Evelyn Steelman, Sandra Jefferson, Mr. and Mrs. Gayle Steelman from West Texas State and Donald Lloyd and Margaret Verner from Texas Tech.

Janice Richards led the high-flying Fillies past the Farwell girls in a 40-36 victory by scoring 20 points in the second conference bout with Farwell last night. The Fillies met and defeated the Vega Longhorns 51-44, in their fourth conference game of the season Friday night at Bovina. Dee pounds was high scorer with 21 points.

35 YRS AGO--JAN 25 1961

Two short courses for adult farmers have been scheduled by the vocational agriculture department of Bovina High School. First of the courses is welding which will begin Monday. The second short course, set in February, will be on insect control.

A meeting of the Bovina farmers interested in sugar beet production has been called for Saturday. A guest speaker is

High School Semester Honor Roll

Principal Jerry Birdsong released the Bovina High School honor roll for the first semester.

ALL A's

Freshmen: J.T. Roach, Derrick Vanegas.

Sophomores: Maricela Guevara, Jamie Stanberry, Luke Steelman.

Juniors: Lisa Hromas.

ALL A's & B's
Freshmen: Gina Beauchamp, Herman Marquez, Rachel Navarro, Vickie Ortiz, Monica Perez, Noemi Perez, Alfred Uriegas, Jose Vitolas, Jeremy Willard.

Sophomores: Chris Arias, Tony Beauchamp, Paula Borquez, Luis Estrada, Erik Galvan, Jose Garcia, Carolina Gomez, Rebecca Gomez, Patricia Kessler, Albert Larrea, Priscilla Martinez, Sarah Rocha, Lorena Rubalcava, Jose Rueda, Hector Vela, George Villarreal.

Juniors: Rocio Amaran, Lori Beauchamp, Lennie Brito, Martin Brito, Jason Kerby, Francisco Lopez, Melissa Nicolas, Miguel Perez, Minerva Vitolas.

Seniors: Carmen Campos, Alex Dopp, Jay Grisham, Rosario Ramirez, John Stormes, Angie Uriegas, Alfredo Vara.

Happy Birthday Bovina

Celebrating birthdays in the next week are:

January 21--Elaine Carson
January 22--Arty Kunselman
January 23--Jana Barrett, Stephine Serna, Michelle Vanegas
January 24--Roy Lee Stowers
January 25--Sue Nuttall, Amy Venable, Mel Clark
January 27--Melanie Stanberry, Howard Kelso, Donald Syamken, Amanda Pankey.

The Bovina Blade keeps a permanent record of citizen birthdays.

If you have a friend or relative who should be added to, or removed from, our birthday log, please advise the Blade office.

expected to be on hand to explain the sugar beet situation and help form a sugar beet producers association here if the group so desires, Chamber Manager Jack McCracken says.

In last week's basketball action, Bovina Mustangs stayed on top in the district basketball race in addition to picking up a non-district win over Friona.

25 YRS AGO--JAN 27 1971

J.C. Denney, 63, a former Bovina resident, died at his home suffering a heart attack.

The new president of the Bovina Roping Club is Edwin Lide.

David Dixon, son of John and Elouise Dixon, a senior at Bovina High School, placed seventh chair in the all-regional honor band at tryouts in Littlefield.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Russell have returned from a tour of Mexico City.

Three youngsters in FFA have entered exhibits in the Amarillo Livestock Show. They were Mike Spears, Terry Sherrill, and Galen Carson.

20 YRS AGO--JAN 28 1976

Johnie Horn, 61, a long-time resident and civic leader here, died of a fatal heart attack in Taos, New Mexico.

Don's Medicine Chest on Third Street and the Spudnut Shop on Main Street were burglarized this week. This is the fourth time this month for the Spudnut Shop to be broken into.

A new business has opened its doors for business and it is the Woltman and Wilson Real Estate on U.S. Hwy 60. It will be run by Jack Woltman and A.M. Wilson.

10 YRS AGO--JAN 29 1986

Joanna Clayton, daughter of James and Sandra Clayton, owned both the grand and reserve champion goats in the local livestock show.

Donell Garner, daughter of Keith and Laqueta Garner, showed the grand champion lamb at the local livestock show. The grand champion barrow was exhibited by Matt Howell, son of Herb and Montie Howell.

Lowell and Kathy Boozer's son, David, was injured and suffered a broken arm when he was scuffling with his dad. Kathy was taking groceries from the van when it came out of gear and ran across her leg causing a broken ankle.

Tony and Dottie Neal have returned from San Angelo where Tony judged the 4-H Dairy Goat Show in conjunction with the livestock show there.

5 YRS AGO--JAN 26 1991

Bovina High School split their games against Happy last week. The Mustangs scored a 66-61 overtime win over the Cowboys, after the Fillies dropped their game by an 89-26 score.

About an inch of snow blanketed Bovina early Monday morning and began snowing about 2 a.m.

Funeral services for George F. Trimble, 85, were conducted Wednesday, January 23 at the First Baptist Church of Bovina. He passed away January 21 at Parmer County Community Hospital.

BHS Third Six Weeks Honor Roll

Principal Jerry Birdsong has released the high school honor roll for the third six weeks.

ALL A's

Freshman: Derrick Vanegas.
Sophomore: Maricela Guevara.

Junior: Lisa Hromas.

Senior: John Stormes.

ALL A's & B's

Freshmen: Gina Beauchamp, Herman Marquez, Vickie Ortiz, J.T. Roach, Alfred Uriegas, Jose Vitolas, Jeremy Willard.

Sophomores: Tony Beauchamp, Joseph Estraca, Carolina Gomez, Rebecca Gomez, Patricia Kessler, Priscilla Martinez, Yvonne Quintana, Sarah Rocha, Jose Rueda, Jamie Stanberry, Luke Steelman, Hector Vela, George Villarreal.

Juniors: Rocio Amaran, Lori Beauchamp, Lennie Brito, Rachel Espinoza, Jason Kerby, Francisco Lopez, Melissa Nicolas, Miguel Perez, Tammy Stormes, Minerva Vitolas.

Seniors: Jay Grisham, Rosario Ramirez, Rey Reyes, Alfredo Vara.

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On the third Wednesday, a group of men, old, gather for a tradition.

They are veteran cattlemen, FFA school officials, and too.

Most have lived their lives. Fifty or boys, and one city boy.

It is the monthly non-denominational Prayer Breakfast, 6:30 a.m. in the fellow First United Methodist.

This past Wednesday, Landrum, pastor of the Methodist Church in the guest speaker.

Baker Duggins Clark were guest coo them later.

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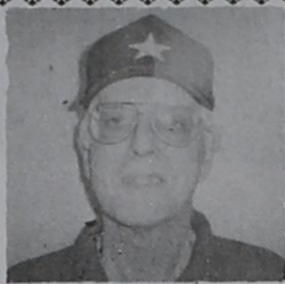
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There was Ron sausage, Loren M. Ichlert, and Lewis G

Out Here

By RON CARR



On the third Wednesday of each month, a group of men, young and old, gather for a Parmer County tradition.

They are veteran farmers, cattlemen, FFA boys, bankers, school officials, and the postmaster too.

Most have lived out here all their lives. Fifty to sixty country boys, and one city boy, namely me.

It is the monthly meeting of the non-denominational, Men's Prayer Breakfast, which starts at 6:30 a.m. in the fellowship hall at First United Methodist Church.

This past Wednesday, Neely Landrum, pastor of the First United Methodist Church in Bovina was the guest speaker.

Baker Duggins and Henry Clark were guest cooks. Back to them later.

At Mickey Harrelson's urging, this city boy arose at 5 a.m. and appeared in the kitchen at 5:30 a.m., "to help out" as he put it.

Keep in mind that anyone on the streets at 5:30 a.m. in the big city is subject to arrest on suspicion of something.

But not out here. Going somewhere at 5:30 a.m., or earlier, is a common practice. When I arrived in the kitchen at 5:30 a.m., the cooking squad was already in motion.

John Mars and Kim Caffey were absent. Both had to be out of town. That left the gravy (Mars) and biscuits (Caffey) in doubt.

The emergency was short-lived as Baker Duggins took charge of the gravy, while simultaneously instructing Henry Clark in the art of biscuit baking.

There was Ron Davenport on sausage, Loren Martin, Vergil Ichtertz, and Lewis Gore on bacon,

and Floyd Reeve coordinating the eggs.

Dave Buske and I were there certainly in spirit, and to do any necessary odd chores that the frontline cooks needed.

Mickey Harrelson, the breakfast trail boss, handled coffee, juice, salt and pepper, and jelly (three kinds).

Davenport smoked up the place with the sausages until someone figured out how to adjust the griddle.

Duggins cooked gravy in a big skillet, but he had brought an electric one from home too. He used his own skillet for more gravy. Loren Martin told him the only reason he used his skillet was because if he took it home clean, his wife would accuse him of not doing anything.

And so it went, as they traded barbs and stories. They laughed about Gene Scheuler's try at making gravy one morning. He had almost a gallon of milk in a pan 6-8 inches deep. They said it never made gravy and Gene hasn't tried since.

Then there was Mickey Harrelson's gravy, so thick you could roll it out with a rolling pin. The more milk he added, the lumpier it got. That is probably why he was promoted to trail boss.

Vergil Ichtertz, who walked about two miles from his house to the breakfast this morning, was the official timer for Floyd Reeve and his scrambled egg stirring squad.

Can't cook 'em too soon, says Vergil, or they will be cold by the time we start. At precisely the right time, 6:15 a.m., the eggs were dumped into four skillets and the stir squad stirred.

When the light goes out on the

skillet handle, they'll start cooking, says Vergil.

But most of the ribbing was saved for Henry Clark. He rolled the biscuit dough out by hand, shunning Harrelson's suggestion that a rolling pin might be better.

He cut biscuits from the dough with a plastic cup, arranged them in precise lines on the baking pan, and almost waited too long to put them in the oven. The box said bake for 8-10 minutes.

Twenty minutes after the first batch went in, they still were not ready. By this time the hall had begun to fill, as the men glared into the kitchen, watching for someone to bring out the food.

They said "Henry, if you wouldn't open the oven door so often, those biscuits might have time to cook".

At about 6:31 a.m., while the opening prayer was being delivered, the first pan of biscuits was finally ready. Henry was never worried.

They said at least his work area was cleaner than Kim Caffey. Seems that Caffey cooks all over the kitchen, oblivious to the flour shower he creates.

They said that while both Caffey and Clark cooked good biscuits, Clark's even looked like biscuits. They didn't say what Caffey's looked like.

Loren Martin and Floyd Reeve passed some time debating what kind of hog the bacon came from. At my table, a discussion on the pros and cons of sugar-beet farming left me out of the conversation.

When it was over, the kitchen squad began scrubbing pots and pans, while discussing the farming history of the Panhandle. They talked about how far cattle will "drift" looking for good weather and

good grass.

Floyd Reeve told about an early cattle drive that was delayed until a buffalo stampede went by. He said it took one and one-half hours for the buffaloes to get past.

He finished with my favorite line of the morning: "A lot of buffaloes can run by in an hour and a half."

As I left the building, the kitchen squad was still there, probably doing more tale-telling than scrubbing.

Reverend Landrum's brief message was from 1 John and the topic was love. Enough love can solve a lot of problems and soften a lot of people.

He said just like a brief rain doesn't soften a packed dirt road, a long slow, deliberate rain, will soften even the most packed road. So goes love too.

As I left the building, another of those Parmer County sunrises was underway. Scattered gray clouds shining with reds and pinks. I thought about the message and the wonder of life if we will just notice it.

I gave thanks not only for the day, but for the education and information this city boy absorbed from the kitchen squad and Rev. Landrum.

Ya done good men.

Letter To The Editor

THE PRINTED WORD

There is a certain charm found in the form of the printed page of the newspaper. There is no substitute for holding the paper in your hand and reading at your leisure, stopping and starting at will and scanning the headlines of interest.

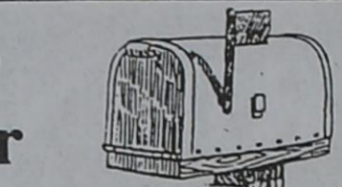
The ability to pick up and read requires no electricity of any instrument, unlike computer monitors. Today's information technology has grown in leaps and bounds, yet you cannot replace the "paper."

It is tempting to indulge in the endless possibilities of today's technology with the use of powerful computers on the Internet or other ways on the information highway. Satellite links, phone lines and cable television brings us world news as it happens around the globe, ideas unheard of a few years ago.

The knowledge of all this news can be intriguing and stressful, as we are bombarded with ethical questions of involvement in world problems we cannot solve. News is also available through fax machines and telephones.

Yet there is something special about the printed words on the page, the typeface, and the layout of our favorite newspaper. It is comfortable, like home to us. There is a lingering factor of having a moment in history frozen within the text at press time.

Information may be available to us in an instant, but there is no



replacement for reading at your own speed, from your own paper, on your own time.

--Tom Thweatt, Amarillo

V. Woodburn Is Buried In Dimmitt

Velma Mae Burnam Woodburn, 87, a former Dimmitt, Texas resident, died Wednesday, January 10, 1996.

Graveside services were held at 2 p.m. (CST) Monday, January 15 in Castro Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Dimmitt with the Rev. Lee Roark of First United Methodist Church in Friona, officiating. Arrangements were handled by LaGrone Funeral Chapel.

Mrs. Woodburn was born in Quay County, New Mexico. She married Frank C. Woodburn in 1951 in Clovis. He died in 1973.

She had lived in Roswell 27 years and was a member of Aldersgate United Methodist Church. Before moving to Roswell, she had owned a flower shop in Dimmitt.

Survivors include a son, Charles F. Gunnells of Clovis; a sister, Frankie E. Norwood of Roswell; two brothers, Bill Burnam of Friona and James Burnam of Dimmitt; and two grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be to Aldersgate United Methodist Church or Castro Memorial Gardens at Dimmitt.

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Facts About The BIBLE BY JOHN LEHTI

THE PRINCE WHO WOULDN'T LEAVE WELL ENOUGH ALONE!

ADONIJAH WAS THE FOURTH SON OF DAVID BORN AT HEBRON, WHILE DAVID WAS KING OF JUDAH (II SAM. 3:4). AFTER ABSALOM HE WAS DAVID'S FAVORITE SON AND THE KING SPOILED HIM BY NEVER REBUKING HIM FOR MISDEEDS! AT THE TIME WHEN KING DAVID WAS STRICKEN WITH ADVANCED OLD AGE, ADONIJAH ATTEMPTED TO SEIZE THE THRONE—AFTER ALL, AT THIS TIME, HIS THREE ELDEST BROTHERS WERE ALL DEAD AND, AS THE OLDEST SURVIVING SON, ADONIJAH FELT THAT HE HAD A CLAIM UPON THE THRONE—BUT HE HAD TO BE AWARE OF DAVID'S INTENTION THAT SOLOMON SHOULD RULE AS KING AFTER HIM (I KINGS 1:13). HE WON JOAB, DAVID'S COUSIN AND COMMANDER OF THE ARMY, TO HIS CAUSE AND ABIATHAR, THE PRIEST, BUT HE DID NOT GAIN ZADOK, THE HIGH PRIEST, NOR BENAIAH, COMMANDER OF THE ROYAL GUARD, NOR NATHAN, THE PROPHET. NEVERTHELESS, HE INVITED ALL HIS FOLLOWERS AND ALL THE PRINCES, EXCEPT SOLOMON, TO A GREAT OPEN-AIR FEAST AT THE FOUNTAIN ENROGEL WHERE, IN THE MIDST OF THE FESTIVITIES, HE HAD HIMSELF PROCLAIMED KING! (I KINGS 1:5-11) NATHAN, THE PROPHET, AND BATHSHEBA, THE MOTHER OF SOLOMON,



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THOROUGHLY ALARMED, TOLD THE AGED KING DAVID OF THIS, WHO IMMEDIATELY GAVE ORDERS THAT SOLOMON BE ANOINTED BY THE HIGH PRIEST ZADOK AND PROCLAIMED KING! THIS STRUCK TERROR INTO THE HEART OF ADONIJAH, AND HE FLED TO THE ALTAR IN THE TEMPLE AND WOULD NOT LEAVE IT UNTIL HE HAD SOLOMON'S PROMISE THAT HE WOULDN'T BE KILLED! (I KINGS 1:49-53) SHORTLY AFTER THIS, KING DAVID DIED AND NOW ADONIJAH BEGGED BATHSHEBA, WHO AS "KING'S MOTHER" WOULD HAVE INFLUENCE TO PROCURE SOLOMON'S CONSENT TO HIS MARRIAGE WITH ABISHAG, WHO HAD BEEN THE WIFE OF DAVID IN HIS OLD AGE! (I KINGS 1:3) THAT DID IT! SOLOMON KNEW THAT ADONIJAH ONLY WANTED A MARRIAGE LIKE THIS TO STRENGTHEN HIS CLAIM TO THE THRONE! SOLOMON STRAIGHTWAY SENT BENAIAH TO SLAY ADONIJAH AND THEREBY PUT A STOP TO THIS THREAT TO HIS THRONE! (I KINGS 2:13-25)



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Charles Eubank Christmas with his members of his family had dinner at the home of Clyde and Leeta Hereford.

Members of Cly... who were there w... Eubank and Ted Eut... family from Amarillo... the Houston area; an... Jimmy of Summerf... family had a good me...

Bobby and Lin... enjoyed having their... their families with... Christmas: Libby and... and son, Corbin, of... Nita and Jason Leises... Station. Nita and Lib... college.

Also with the... Linda's parents, Vern... Estes of Las Vegas... also have a home... Vernon and Ellen hos... at their home in Bov... family.

On December 2... celebrated Linda's... Vernon's birthdays wi... the family at Showg... in Clovis.

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Scooter's Scoops

By SCOOTER RUSSELL

We haven't heard of too many local folks having the flu this winter but Helen Blalock said she and her husband, Clyde, both had it during Christmas and weren't able to have daughter, Uta, with them. Helen said her sister, Marie Venable, was good to bring them food for two days during Christmas and their good neighbor, Elsa and Frank Galvan, provided blackeyed peas for New Year's.

Helen said they are getting along better now but had a few rough days.

Charlie Eubank had a good Christmas with her son and members of his family. The family had dinner at the home of her son, Clyde and Leeta Eubank of Hereford.

Members of Clyde's family who were there were: Wesly Eubank and Ted Eubank and his family from Amarillo; Bradley of the Houston area; and Becky and Jimmy of Summerfield. The family had a good meal and visit.

Bobby and Linda Marshall enjoyed having their daughters and their families with them over Christmas: Libby and Jay Holman, and son, Corbin, of Bovina; and Nita and Jason Leisester of College Station. Nita and Libby are both in college.

Also with the family were Linda's parents, Vernon and Ellen Estes of Las Vegas, Nevada, who also have a home in Bovina. Vernon and Ellen hosted Christmas at their home in Bovina with their family.

On December 23, the family celebrated Linda's, Nita's and Vernon's birthdays with a dinner for the family at Showgun Restaurant in Clovis.

Vernon and Ellen spent a week in Bovina before returning to Las Vegas.

Visitors in the home of Bobby and Irma Jo Englant during the holidays were their daughter, Carissa, and her children, Ja'Que and Donnie of Kansas; and the

Englants' daughter, Devanee, and her husband, Galen Cogburn, and their son, Andrew, of Canyon.

On Christmas Eve, the family was with Irma Jo's mother, Drusilla Kelley of Pleasant Hill, and they had dinner on Christmas Day at the Englants' home in Bovina.

Christmas was special this year for the Hromas family. Arnold and Amy Hromas spent Christmas in Hereford and their daughter, Charlotte and Jerry Wilburn, hosted Christmas for all the family.

Those attending were Jerry's and Charlotte's children, Lori, who is a student at ORU in Tulsa, Oklahoma; Jodi of the home; Shannon and Melanie Wilburn and their children, Drew and Stephanie; another son, Kelly Wilburn and his wife, Heather, and their son, Brett, of Hereford; Galen and Judy Hromas of Bovina and their children, Darren, who is attending Texas A&M in College Station; Matt, who is going to West Texas A&M in Canyon and Lisa of the home.

Arnold's and Amy's son, Brad of Bovina, was also with the family.

The family had a brunch on Christmas Day and dinner about 5 p.m. During the day, Brad read the Christmas Story from the Bible and Lori entertained by singing. The family exchanged presents and had a good day together.

Kory Mitchell, son of Larry and Donna Mitchell, was injured in an accident over the weekend. Kory and three others were on a skiing trip in New Mexico when the accident occurred. Two girls were in the front seat and the one who was driving reached to get a CD, went across the median, overcorrected and lost control. The Suburban overturned.

The boys in the back seat had just unbuckled their seat belts while looking through the CDs. They were both thrown from the automobile. Kory suffered a cut on his foot and is now hospitalized in Friona. He has infection in the foot and also had bad gravel burns

on an arm and shoulder.

The girl who was driving is in critical condition and underwent six hours of brain surgery. All bones in one side of her face are broken, also both arms. The other girl was not hurt and the other boy is in serious condition. The family feels very lucky and thankful that Kory wasn't hurt seriously.

Artie Faye O'Hair had a good time with her children during the holidays. Her son, Mike, came from New Boston, Texas and spent a few days. Her son, Freddie Mac, and his daughter, Megan, came from Longview, Texas. He also spent several days. Also with the family was Artie's daughter, Sonya of Clovis.

Several members of the Henry Spicer family were in Bovina for the holidays. Henry and Nelline's children, Marty and Amy Spicer and children, Tamara and Clay, came from Dallas; Kay and Joe Stanton and daughter, Kristy, came from Farwell; and another daughter, Nena and Mike Veazey and daughter, Kylee, of Hereford.

Also with the family were Henry's sisters, Mary of California and Martha from Oklahoma. Henry's brother, Harvey, and Myrna Spicer of Wichita Falls, came to be with them.

Herman and Edna Estes, former Bovina residents, now of Coleman, were in Bovina for several days with their daughter, Suezy Smith and her family. The Esteses had their cousins from Amarillo with them.

On December 27, Suezy and Billy went to Alma, Arkansas and visited with Billy's brother and his wife, Glen and Wanda Smith. Another brother, Dean and his wife, Georgina Smith, were enroute to Cherry Point, South Carolina and came by Arkansas and visited with them.

Suezy said her brother, Kenneth Estes and his twins, Aaron and Krysta, came from Mission,

Texas. Kenneth's son, Chris and his wife, Heather, also of Mission, and Kenneth's son, Lance, and his wife and two sons of Mission also came to Bovina.

Kenneth and his wife worked at the Buckner Orphanage in Lubbock thirteen years and have worked at the orphanage in Mission, Texas the last four years.

THINK ABOUT IT: Before you give somebody a piece of your mind, be sure you can get by on what's left.

Have a great week...Scooter.

JV Girls Third At Lazbuddie

The JV girls won third place in the recent Lazbuddie tournament.

Game one was a hard fought win over Farwell, 42-35. The Fillies had a great offensive game, led by Melissa Cantu with 13 points.

Game two was a close loss to Vega by a score of 45-39. The game was close all the way, but a slow start in the second half hurt their chances.

Top scorers were: Evang Casas-15, Melissa Cantu-13, and Maria Fragoza-4.

Game three was against a tough, fast, Lazbuddie team.

The Fillies started slow with a 10-5 first quarter deficit. They turned up the volume in the second quarter, and went on to play "one of their best halves of the year" according to Coach Tharp.

They outscored Lazbuddie in the final three quarters by a score of 45-18. Scoring leaders were Evang Casas-18, Melissa Cantu-11, Maria Fragoza-10, and Gina Beauchamp-5.

According to Tharp, Marcy Guevara, Elia Marrofo, Amy Venable, Paula Borquez and Monica Perez also contributed to a great effort with tough defense and rebounding.



SEVENTH GRADE FILLIES...Pictured in the back row, (left to right), Coach Bobby Ortiz, Angela Morgan, Casey Riley and Coach Kathy Rundell; (middle), Michelle Guzman, Daisy Loera, Krysta Morris, J.D. Jones and Elizabeth Vitolas; (front), Melanie Stanberry, Patricia Robles, Rita Navarro and Dina Lara.



FRESHMAN FILLIES...The freshman Filly players are shown here. In the back row, (left-right) are Ashley Zehner, Vickie Ortiz, Amanda Smith, Priscilla Martinez and Coach Bobby Ortiz; (middle), Liseth Antillon, Carolina Guevara, Stephine Villarreal and Leslie Wilkins; (seated), Brandie Munoz, Rachel Navarro and Tricia Kessler.

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	Budget	Actual		Budget	Actual	
REVENUES:						
5700 Local, Intermediate, and Out-of-State	\$539,992	\$612,219	\$72,227	\$34,500	\$31,012	(\$3,488)
5800 State Program Revenues	1,922,480	2,135,481	213,001	3,200	3,207	7
5900 Federal Program Revenues	-	17,685	17,685	451,866	314,560	(137,306)
Excluding Revenues Funding Fn. 14	\$2,462,472	\$2,765,385	\$302,913	\$489,566	\$348,779	(\$140,787)
5014 Revenues Collected for Funding Fn. 14	-	-	-	-	-	-
5030 Total Revenue	\$2,462,472	\$2,765,385	\$302,913	\$489,566	\$348,779	(\$140,787)
EXPENDITURES:						
0011 Instruction	\$1,552,157	\$1,542,494	\$9,663	\$243,685	\$141,085	\$102,600
0021 Instructional Administration	1,350	1,249	101	5,638	5,400	238
0022 Instructional Resources & Media Services	58,183	57,210	973	-	-	-
0023 School Administration	168,824	165,470	3,354	-	-	-
0025 Curriculum & Instruct. Staff Development	7,648	7,648	-	-	-	-
0026 Communication and Dissemination	-	-	-	-	-	-
0031 Guidance and Counseling Services	27,111	25,016	2,095	20,706	13,827	6,879
0032 Attendance and Social Work Service	-	-	-	-	-	-
0033 Health Services	20,282	19,889	393	9,546	7,945	1,601
0034 Student Transportation	90,817	79,324	11,493	-	-	-
0036 Co-curricular Activities	104,277	102,542	1,735	-	-	-
0037 Food Services	-	-	-	229,829	204,398	25,431
0041 General Administration	149,804	147,969	1,835	-	-	-
0042 Debt Services	-	-	-	-	-	-
0051 Plant Maintenance and Operations	260,318	255,726	4,592	-	-	-
0052 Facilities Acquisition and Construction	537,113	523,528	13,585	-	-	-
0075 Data Processing Services	4,000	3,501	499	-	-	-
0081 Community Service	-	-	-	-	-	-
Expenditures Excluding Function 14	\$2,981,884	\$2,931,566	\$50,318	\$509,404	\$372,655	\$136,749
0014 Inst. Services Between Districts	-	-	-	-	-	-
6050 Total Expenditures	\$2,981,884	\$2,931,566	\$50,318	\$509,404	\$372,655	\$136,749
1100 Excess (Def.) Revenues Over Expenditures	(\$519,412)	(\$166,181)	353,231	(\$19,838)	(\$23,876)	(4,038)
7990 Other Resources	-	1,692	1,692	25,558	25,558	-
8990 Other (Uses)	(25,558)	(25,558)	-	-	-	-
1200 Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues & Other Resources Over Expenditures & Other Uses	(\$544,970)	(\$190,047)	\$354,923	\$5,720	\$1,682	(\$4,038)
0100 Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)	1,002,603	1,002,603	-	2,798	2,798	-
1300 Increase (Decrease) in Fund Balance	-	(7,536)	(7,536)	-	-	-
3000 Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	\$457,633	\$805,020	\$347,387	\$8,518	\$4,480	(\$4,038)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.



FRANCES SMITH

Frances Smith Is Longtime Resident

(Editor's note: Prairie Acres Nursing Home's monthly newsletter contains a feature each time written by one of the residents. We are sharing these features with our readers.)

By FRANCES SMITH
 I was born February 23, 1918 in Floydada, Texas. My mother died of the flu when I was ten months. It wasn't like it is now that they have cures for just about everything. Father couldn't raise me! So my grandma, "Mittie Meador," did. My aunt lived with us, also. She was a busy lady, she taught school for thirty years.

Father remarried and they had two boys and two girls. One of my step sisters is deceased.

We lived in Olton, Texas. When I was in high school, my friends and I would go to Plainview to the show. Olton is a small town and there wasn't any entertainment there. I went up to the eleventh grade and then we moved to Ralls, Texas. That's where I graduated at the age of fifteen!

My best friend is Bernice Harris. When we graduated we moved to a small apartment in Canyon and went to college there.

I went for two years and decided to move back to Olton. I then worked for the grocery store and took care of the paper work there. After six months, I just got bored and went back to Canyon to continue my college.

I then met Lewis Smith and after a few months we married. I can still remember that on our first date, Lewis and I went rabbit hunting. We had some of the best times together. Lewis was 24 years old and I was 18 when we married. I finished by schooling at home.

We moved out in the country fifteen miles northwest of Friona in a white five bedroom stucco house. Lewis was a farmer and we owned two sections of land.

We had two wonderful sons, Dale and David. The boys used to ride the bus to school, and everyday after school they would help their father by driving tractors until dusk. They were both valedictorians of their class.

Lewis farmed until 1975 and then rented out his sections of land to our nephew, Danny Smith. We then moved to town at 1704 West Tenth.

Dale worked for Friona State Bank. He married Jerry Buske and they had two beautiful children, Toby and Amber. Dale died of a stroke in 1981.

After forty years of marriage in 1985, Lewis died of a heart attack.

David has a degree as a scientist and now lives in Albuquerque, New Mexico and continues his career. His wife's name is Christina and they have two wonderful sons, Winters and Zachary.

I began having problems with my knees in June of 1995 and came to live at Prairie Acres.

Houston Livestock Show Books Top Entertainment

Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo officials have announced a phenomenal star line-up featuring 24 top-notch entertainers for the 1996 event.

Each of the 20 rodeo performances features PRCA rodeo action, the world's largest calf scramble, chuck wagon races and concert entertainment. The star line-up is as follows: Friday, Feb. 16, 7 p.m., Vince Gill; Saturday, Feb. 17, 11 a.m., Travis Tritt and Rick Trevino; Feb. 17, 7 p.m., Clay Walker; Sunday, Feb. 18, 4 p.m., Wynonna.

Performances at 7 p.m. nightly include: Monday, Feb. 19, George Strait; Tuesday and Wednesday, Feb. 20-21, Clint Black; Thursday, Feb. 22, Brooks and Dunn; Friday, Feb. 23, George Strait.

On Saturday, Feb. 24, the show celebrates Black Heritage Day featuring a matinee performance beginning at 11 a.m. with Gladys Knight and Kool & the Gang. The 7 p.m. performance brings Toby Keith and Martina McBride to the Astrodome.

The second week of the entertainment schedule is as follows: Sunday, Feb. 25, Go Tejano Day and a 4 p.m. twilight performance featuring Oscar de la

Rosa & La Mafia and La Differenzia. Performances at 7 p.m. the second week include: Monday, Feb. 26, Hank Williams, Jr. and Lynyrd Skynyrd; Tuesday, Feb. 27, Tracy Lawrence and Tracy Byrd; Wednesday, Feb. 28, Alan Jackson; Thursday, Feb. 29, Alabama and Patty Loveless; Friday, March 1, Reba McEntire; and Reba McEntire for both performances, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m., Saturday, March 2; Sunday, March 3, 4 p.m., Tim McGraw and Emilio.

Tickets are \$10 each and are available by phone at (713) 629-3700. VISA, MasterCard, American Express and Discover cards will be accepted for ticket purchases.

The 1996 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo opens with the World's Championship Bar-B-Que Contest Thursday, February 8 and other Go Texan events are held Feb. 10-11 at the Astrodome complex. Horse Show competition begins Wednesday, Feb. 14, while the carnival and livestock show opens Friday, Feb. 16. The first rodeo performance kicks off at 7 p.m., Friday, Feb. 16. All events conclude Sunday, March 3.

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Parmer County Treasurer's Report

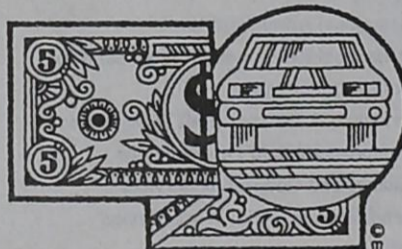
REPORT of Anne G. Norton, County Treasurer of Parmer County, Texas, of Receipts and Expenditures from October 1 to December 31, 1995, inclusive:

Jury Fund	
Balance last report, filed October 1, 1995.....	5,763.57
Amount received since last report.....	95,699.69
Amount paid out since last report.....	96,908.00
12-31-95 balance.....	4,555.26
General Fund	
Balance last report, filed October 1, 1995.....	231,015.11
Amount received since last report.....	438,655.68
Amount paid out since last report.....	305,060.90
12-31-95 balance.....	364,609.89
Farm to Market Fund	
Balance last report, filed October 31, 1995.....	179,128.66
Amount received since last report.....	1,575,801.03
Amount paid out since last report.....	1,538,766.46
12-31-95 balance.....	216,163.23
Right of Way Fund	
Balance last report, filed October 31, 1995.....	107,375.41
Amount received since last report.....	56,179.84
Amount paid out since last report.....	123,260.00
12-31-95 balance.....	40,295.25
Lateral Fund	
Balance last report, filed October 31, 1995.....	0
Amount received since last report.....	29,054.92
Amount paid out since last report.....	14,611.47
12-31-95 balance.....	14,443.45
Permanent Improvement Fund	
Balance last report, filed October 31, 1995.....	989.21
Amount received since last report.....	3,885.85
Amount paid out since last report.....	0
12-31-95 balance.....	4,875.06
Revenue Fund	
Balance last report, filed October 31, 1995.....	41,478.62
Amount received since last report.....	36,355.08
Amount paid out since last report.....	25,112.49
12-31-95 balance.....	52,721.21
Juvenile Probation Fund	
Balance last report, filed October 31, 1995.....	2,779.86
Amount received since last report.....	50.00
Amount paid out since last report.....	0
12-31-95 balance.....	2,829.86
County Attorney - Check Collection Fund	
Balance last report, October 31, 1995.....	628.39
Amount received since last report.....	569.33
Amount paid out since last report.....	975.40
12-31-95 balance.....	222.32
District Check Collection - 287th, Fund	
Balance last report, filed October 31, 1995.....	637.79
Amount received since last report.....	200.00
Amount paid out since last report.....	0
12-31-95 balance.....	837.79
Caliche Fund	
Balance last report, filed October 31, 1995.....	7,425.65
Amount received since last report.....	20,049.72
Amount paid out since last report.....	0
12-31-95 balance.....	27,475.37
RECAPITULATION	
Jury Fund.....	4,555.26
General Fund.....	364,609.89
Farm to Market Fund.....	216,163.23
Right of Way Fund.....	40,295.25
Lateral Fund.....	14,443.45
Permanent Improvement Fund.....	4,875.06
Revenue Fund.....	52,721.21
Juvenile Probation Fund.....	2,829.86
County Attorney - Check Collection Fund.....	222.32
District Clerk Collection - 287th Fund.....	837.79
Caliche Fund.....	27,475.37
TOTAL.....	729,028.69
List of Bonds and other Securities on Hand	
Certificate of Deposit	
Jury Fund.....	50,000.00
Farm to Market Fund.....	425,000.00
Tex Pool Investment	
Farm to Market Fund.....	225,000.00
TOTAL.....	700,000.00

Treasurer's Report from October 1, 1995, to December 31, 1995.
 Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Anne G. Norton, County Treasurer of Parmer County, who by me duly sworn, upon oath, says that the within and foregoing report is true and correct.

Anne G. Norton, County Treasurer
 Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 8th day of January 1996.
 Bonnie Clayton, County Judge
 Examined and approved in open Commissioners' Court this 8th day of January 1996.

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If you turned 65 years old as of Jan. 1, 1996, then you need to sign up for the "65 and older" Homestead Exemption. This is a permanent exemption so if you already have signed up for it, you don't have to re-apply.

If you have purchased a home since you signed up for the Homestead Exemption, you need to re-apply for this exemption.

Agricultural use exemptions are available for all who have purchased agricultural property. If you purchased ag property during the past year, you need to apply for this exemption.

Call, or drop by our office, for your application(s). They will be mailed to you upon request.

**Ron Procter
 Chief Appraiser**

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