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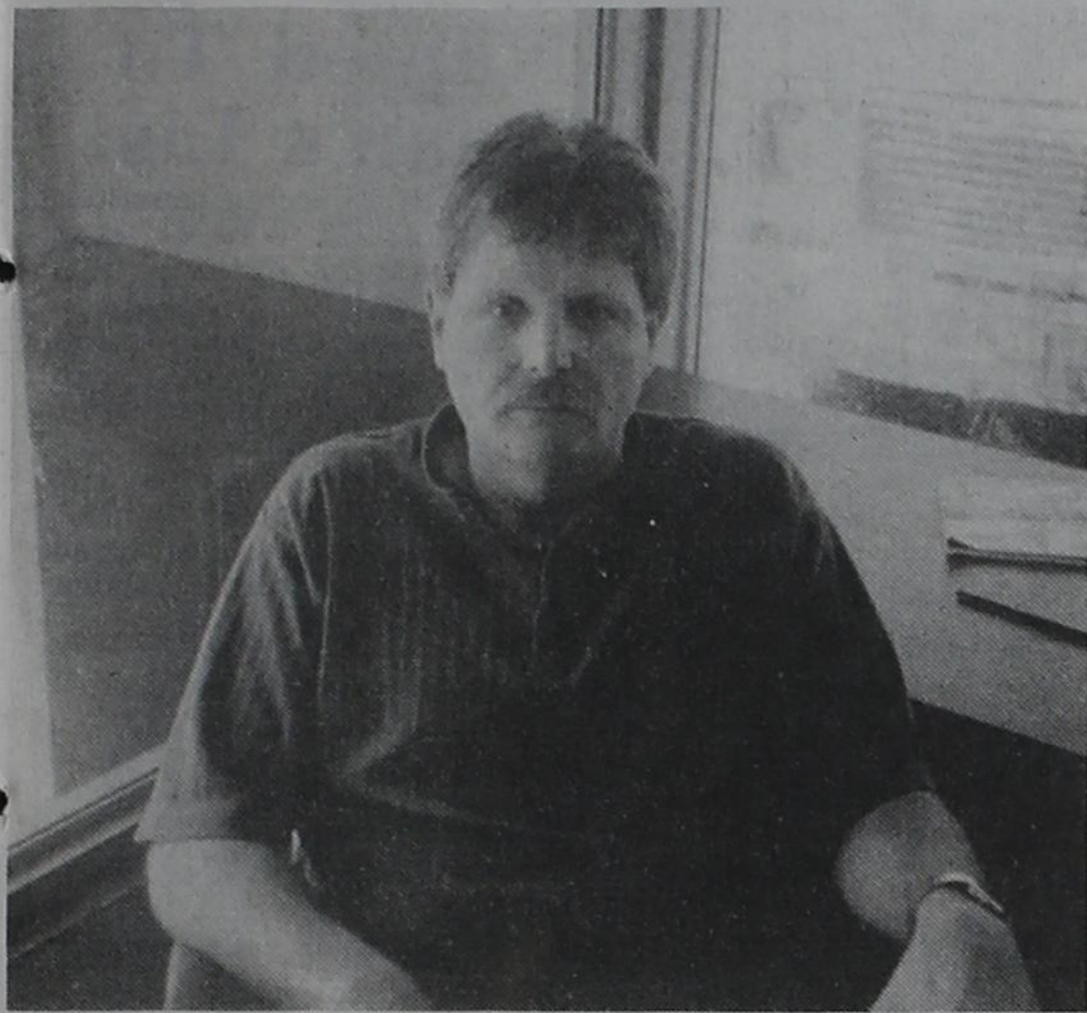
Good News in Bovina
For the Past
40 Years

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EIGHT PAGES

"Meet Your City Employees"



EMS DIRECTOR.....For 16 years, Larry Mitchell has been director of Bovina's EMS. Mitchell oversees a 24-member volunteer emergency crew responding to Bovina resident's emergency medical service requirements. Mitchell is manager of Terra in Bovina.


Spruce Up Continues On EMS Building

The ambulance building on Third Street has a brand new sprinkler system for their newly seeded lawn, which is quickly turning green and growing. Larry Mitchell, EMS director for the past 16 years, says the 24 EMS volunteers want to keep the building clean and nice for the city. Plans call for a fence to be built around the front yard of the building to keep

people from cutting across or, as recently happened, keeping children from riding their bicycles across the grass. Mitchell says that donations will be gratefully accepted to assist with the upkeep and beautification of the EMS Building. To help out with your donations, contact Larry or Donna Mitchell, or one of the Bovina Fire Department volunteers.

MY OLD FRIEND Dolph Moten, who was the first editor and publisher of the Bovina Blade, used to have a very graphic description as to how an editor cranked out a column on a regular basis. "Writing a column isn't hard," Moten used to tell his friends. "All you have to do is sit at your typewriter for an hour or so and sweat blood!" Dolph used his head and got out of the newspaper business while he still had his right mind. By the way, Dolph, if you're listening: the only thing that's changed since you were at it, is the fact that computers have replaced typewriters. The good news is: you can sometimes whack out an article much faster on a computer than on a typewriter. The bad news is: if you're still sweating about what you're gonna say, it's not a darned bit faster.

Bull Town Bulletins
By Bill Ellis



VIRTUALLY EVERYONE has a camera and takes pictures these days. You can even take your film to Fox Photo or Photo Express, and get your pictures back in an hour's time. But it hasn't always been that way. Up until the year 1888, about the only "picture takers" were professional photographers. Everyone in the photo business in the late 1800s, since and including the first great American photographer, Matthew Brady, had to really like their profession. These photographers had to carry their cameras, which were large and cumbersome (usually mounted on a tripod), along with the glass-enclosed film, chemicals and the almost dangerous flash apparatus. Today, photography is our nation's number one hobby, and you can buy a "throw-away" camera down at the drugstore for as little as \$5.95. They are made by Kodak, Minolta, etc., and contain film for 15 to as many as 27 photos. They even have one variety that takes the panoramic-type pictures. If that sounds like a 21st century marvel, consider this: We learned this week that in 1888, George Eastman introduced a new and more portable camera for the general picture-taking public. The new box-type camera cost \$10.00. They were loaded with enough film to shoot 100 pictures. When you had taken up your 100 shots, you sent the camera to the Kodak laboratory, where the film was developed and the pictures printed. Then, the camera was re-loaded with film and returned to its owner. That sounds like about ten cents per picture. And, unless we badly miss our guess, the photos taken by those old-style cameras were probably 1,000 times as clear and sharp as we get on our present-day fully-automatic cameras. After about a third of a century of trying to figure out the workings of a 35mm camera with flash, Carol was among the first in line to get one of the new cameras, which take the guesswork out of such things as focusing, flash setting, aperture setting, etc. You might say that Carol was born 50 years too soon. Or, in the case of Mr. Eastman, maybe it was 75 years too late.

SCIENTISTS DIFFER as to whether there is intelligent life on other planets in the universe. This subject has been a matter of debate virtually since Venus and/or Mars were discovered by the ancients. Personally, Ye Editor sincerely hopes that such life does exist out there somewhere. The way things are going on our "third rock from the sun," if we don't hurry up and make contact with such spacy neighbors, there may not be an intelligent strain left hereabouts to communicate with those from other stars. Well, my hour is about up, and judging from my hankie, this one only cost Ye Editor about a half-pint of blood, a tall Coke, and a half-can of salted nuts.

Basketball Camp Is Set June 23-26

Bovina coach Bobby Ortiz has finalized plans for the summer basketball camp. The basketball camp for 3rd-6th graders is scheduled for June 23-26, from 5 to 7 p.m. in the gym. The fee is \$5 each child which includes a T-shirt. You may sign-up in advance by contacting coach Ortiz or bring your children to the first session on Monday, June 23 at 5 p.m.

Governor Congratulates Bovina Elem.

A proclamation certificate signed from Governor George W. Bush, dated June 13, 1997, says Greetings to Bovina Elementary Students, and continues: "Congratulations on reading more than 40,000 books last year. I am proud of you for becoming involved in your library's reading program. I commend you for your dedication and hard work to make this progress possible, and commend your families and teachers for supporting your efforts. I encourage you to continue to read as much as you can, because reading is the foundation for all other subjects and the key to opportunity. By continuing to set high goals and focusing on success, you can make your dreams become reality. Best wishes in your studies and have a great school year. Sincerely, George W. Bush."

Athletic Boosters To Meet

The Bovina High School athletic booster club will meet Monday, June 23 at 8 p.m. in the school cafeteria to discuss plans for the club's participation in the upcoming Bovina July 4th festivities. All interested parents, students and athletic booster supporters are asked to attend this meeting.

Two Bovina Babies "Race" To Be Born In Clovis

By Becky London
Wednesday, June 11 seemed like any other day for expectant mothers, Twyla Gallaway and Libby Holman. Each had a routine doctor's visit at Dr. Layman's office in Clovis at 11 a.m. After arriving, Twyla with husband Brian and Libby with friend Esther Steelman, they were seen by the doctor. After examinations and tests they were sent to the waiting room where they discovered one another. They had a good laugh at the coincidence of going to the same doctor on the same day and each planning for the arrival of their second child, but to their surprise the similarities did not stop there. Each lady was informed to go across the street to Plains Regional Medical Center and prepare for delivery, the long wait was over—for both. The two went to the hospital to check in. Esther said that although Twyla and her husband got to the hospital first, Libby was able to register first. The lady registering them was amazed that they knew each other and were from the same town. Esther was sitting by Libby as she was being admitted and Twyla was standing behind them. The secretary then told

July 4th In Bovina: Crafts, Food, Games

The Bovina Chamber of Commerce is planning the July 4 celebration activities. Various businesses have donated prizes to be given away and the chamber is planning a fun day for all. Sherri Whitten of the chamber, is organizing craft, food and game booths. Booths will be set-up at the high school football field. The booths are free. Game booths can be anything from a water balloon toss, face painting or basketball shots. Food booths will be allowed but only until 3 p.m. so as to not hinder business for the barbecue sale. Interested crafters, game organizers and cooks should contact Sherri to reserve a spot, 238-1400. Suzan Hughes, also a chamber member, is in charge of the parade to be held at 10 a.m. To be a participant call her at 238-1656. Hughes is also organizing the rally volleyball tournament. Some teams and referees have already signed up and volunteered. More are still needed to make the tournament as fun as possible. Teams of six or less will be charged \$30. Those with more than six, will be charged \$5 for each additional person. Call Hughes to register or volunteer. At 5 p.m. the chamber will sell barbecue brisket plates. The price for adults is \$5; age 12 and under is \$3; and age 3 and under eat free. After the sun goes down, Bovina residents will be treated to a fireworks display. To help with the upcoming July 4 celebration contact any chamber member. This will only be a success if Bovina residents work together to make it a success.

Good News Stampede Set At FBC

First Baptist Church in Bovina invites children from age four through 6th grade to join the "Wild and Wonderful Good News Stampede", the theme of this year's vacation bible school. Each day includes an exciting worship rally to celebrate the good news of Jesus, packed full of fun Bible learning activities, great vittles, music, and crafts. Every child in the community is invited to be a part of the bible school. The "Stampede" bible school will be held at the First Baptist Church July 7-11, beginning at 6 p.m. and ending at 8:30 p.m.. Trailers will start picking up kids at 5 p.m. For more information call the church office, 238-1632.

Local Wheat Farmers: "Waiting To Exhale"

Farmers in the area are sitting on one of the best wheat crops in several years--if the weather cooperates and lets them get the nice-looking crop in to the elevators. Harry Johnson of Sherley Grain in Bovina said "What we need is some normal June weather. The farmers have a good dryland wheat crop--their best in years, if they can just get it harvested. The fields that looked dead after that late freeze have bounced back and look good." Storm clouds this past Monday knocked the props out from under some area farmers' feet. The Ray Cook farm east of Bovina, Bubby Marshall's crop, and the Carson land to the east seemed to be hit the hardest. "Some of our farmers have been hit with hail three times," Johnson pointed out. Some in this category included J. B. Barrett and Mike Beauchamp. "The moisture we've received has been great, where it hasn't hailed. Some farmers were beginning to start their wells up on their corn crop," he added. The Bovina elevator spokesman said that the main drawback pertaining to the 1997 wheat crop may be the price. The price for the '97 wheat as of Tuesday stood at about \$3.50 per bushel. At the same time a year ago, the price was \$5.55 per bushel, or about \$2 higher. The only catch to this was, the area farmers almost didn't have a wheat crop, due to several months of drought. Johnson said the farmers might be able to start combining their wheat by the middle of next week, if the weather stayed dry. Joe Allen, manager of Sherley's Rhea elevator, said things were looking great for crops in that area. This is one of the best wheat crops I've seen in several years--maybe ever," Allen said. "There was a strip about three miles south of Rhea which had some bad hail damage Monday evening," he added. Norman Taylor told Allen that his wheat crop suffered all the way from a 25 percent loss to 75 percent. "We didn't hear about many bad storms, but those in this strip had some bad damage," Allen said. The Rhea community received 1.2 inches of rain Monday. That area's corn and milo crops are doing well. The corn was slightly stripped Monday, and might recover. Some of the corn in the Rhea area is four to five feet tall. "It has been so long since this area had an exceptional wheat crop. I think they deserve a break. They haven't had a bumper crop in a number of years. Many of our farmers didn't even harvest any wheat last year," Allen said. The Rhea community is mostly "dryland" in nature. Allen estimated that 70 percent of the land in that area had no irrigation, with the remainder having at least some sprinkler systems. "If the farmers can harvest this wheat crop, it would boost the economy of the entire area, whether some of them realize it or not," Allen concluded. Allen likewise expected the harvest to get underway by about next Wednesday. "The cool weather and the rains have contributed to a good crop, but they also are somewhat worrysome, since it has pushed the harvest back at least two weeks," he concluded.



TWO NEW BOVINA BABIES--Shown left to right are Corbin Holman, his Mom Libby Holman and new baby, Bailey Marcus Holman; then Twyla Gallaway and new baby, Mason Scott Gallaway, with big sister Brianna Gallaway. The two new little fellows were both in a big hurry to get here last Wednesday.

pounds, seven ounces and was twenty and one half inches long. His older sister is Brianna, 18 months. Their grandparents are Martha and Donna Gallaway of Plainview; and Phil and Linda Lemons of Quitaque, Texas. Great grandparents are Carl Lemons of Cedar Hill and W.T. and Laverne Cooper of Lockney. **A BABY SHOWER** is slated for the Gallaways on June 28 in the reception room of the First Bank of Bovina from 10 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. Hostess for the event are Gilda Garner, Leah Mason, Esther Steelman, Suzan Hughes, Donna Mitchell, Rhonda Wilkins, Sarah Rocha and Ella Jo Stormes.

DON'T MISS THE JULY 4TH FUN!

Reflections

...from the files of The Bovina Blade

40 Yrs Ago-June 19, 1957

Long-awaited construction began Tuesday morning on the widening of Highway 60 where it goes through Bovina. The present width is now 20 feet and will be increased to a width of 80 feet.

The tax rate increase, which Parmer County taxpayers have been asked to approve July 25, will be only for increasing revenue for the acquisition of farm-to-market roads, it was pointed out this week by A.D. Smith, county judge.

Plans are being made for Bovina's fourth annual Fourth of July community picnic. Lions Club directors and committeemen are busily laying groundwork for the celebration, which is just 15 days away.

Mrs. E.A. McCollum, Bovina, was announced last week as a \$250 winner in Affiliated Food Stores' weekly drawing. Mrs. McCollum registered at Wilson's Food Store here.

A policy change at the Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona will put medical patients on a "cash" basis, according to an announcement made this week by hospital officials.

35 Yrs Ago-June 20, 1962

City of Bovina has new people in its two most important appointive posts this week.

Mrs. Mary Ruth Martin is new city secretary and Paul Holcomb is water superintendent. Both assumed their new duties Monday.

Bovina Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture is having five signs constructed to be erected on highway entrances to Bovina, Mack McCracken, manager, announced.

Thunderstorms Sunday night and Monday brought relief in form of moisture to the lengthy spell here. The rain, in some areas, was combined with hail which did some damage to ready-to-harvest wheat and young row crops.

James Lee Calaway, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Calaway, was one of the top ropers in Clovis Junior Rodeo which was held last week.

30 Yrs Ago-June 21, 1967

City of Bovina is on the threshold of its third paving project in history. Some 31 blocks are involved in the program.

Team roping, heading and healing of steers by two ropers, will kickoff Bull Town Days, 1967, at 1 p.m. Thursday, August 17, C.E. Trimble, general chairman of the three-day celebration, announced this week.

Membership dues to Water, Inc., aimed at supporting a first-year budget of at least \$200,000 were set in Lubbock recently at the initial meeting of the non-profit organization's executive committee.

Fifteen years of breeding work have provided Texas growers with a "shorty" wheat for irrigation and other high production areas.

25 Yrs Ago-June 21, 1972

Preliminary plans for Bovina's ninth annual Bull Town Days got underway recently as Bovina chamber directors named Tom Bonds chairman for the second consecutive year.

Mrs. Jean Ann O'Neal is the new supervisor of the Parmer County Surplus Commodity Office in Bovina.

Burglars of an unusual variety struck at the Harold Hawkins home west of Bovina some time early Tuesday morning. When Mrs. Hawkins went to the kitchen about 5 a.m. to prepare breakfast, she found two large cats on top of the cabinet gnawing on a ham.

20 Yrs Ago-June 22, 1977

Joel Nelson announced this week the opening of Bovina Car Wash, a self-service automobile washing facility, at Avenue A and Boyce Streets, two blocks west of First State Bank.

Monday night's rain resulted in Bovina receiving one-quarter of an inch of

moisture. The rain was accompanied by high winds and extremely hard gusts.

15 Yrs Ago-June 23, 1982

A late model pickup, which was owned by Kevin Hughes, was demolished when it was involved in an accident Thursday, June 17. Driving the vehicle at the time of the wreck was Gabriel Guevara, who was west bound on a county dirt road, when he lost control of the pickup and overturned the vehicle 1 1/2 times, with the truck coming to a stop on its wheels in a wheat field.

10 Yrs Ago-June 24, 1987

Officer Donnie Brown reported that he had investigated incidents at the Bovina Cemetery where several items were broken or moved. There have been four headstones turned over, four vases broken off the stones and one taken, which was valued at \$75.

5 Yrs Ago-June 20, 1992

West Texas State University took the first step in rejuvenating its intercollegiate football program on December 20, 1992, when Athletic Director Mike Chandler named former Bovinan Ron Steele as the twenty-third head football coach at WTSU.

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TAMMY RENE' STORMES and CHRISTOPHER JAMES JONES...Sammy and Ella Jo Stormes of Bovina are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter Tammy Rene' to Christopher James Jones, son of Tony and Brenda Soliz and grandson of Gisela Jones of Morton. The couple will exchange wedding vows on Saturday, July 19, 1997 at 4 p.m. at the First Assembly of God Church in Morton. Tammy is a 1997 graduate of Bovina High School. She is employed by Lowe's Pay N Save. Chris is a 1994 graduate of Morton High School and is employed by Sherley Grain Company in Bovina. The couple plan to make their home in Bovina.

Letter To The Editor



Dear Bill:
The June 7 issue of The Blade was great!
The feature on my good friend, A.M. Wilson, and his 50 years in Bovina was especially well done. Please express my appreciation to Ron Carr.
Not only was, and still is A.M. my good friend, he was, during my time with The Blade, the paper's largest

advertiser and my next door neighbor.
I consider it a great privilege to have been associated with A.M. and Mary Jane for a portion of those 50 years.
Please give my regards to all the wonderful people, and the few old grouches, in your great community.
Thanks for the memories.
Sincerely, Dolph Moten

Validation Scheduled

Parmer County 4-H Club and FFA members are advised that steer validation for all show calves will be held June 30 at Lazbuddie Feeders, beginning at 9 a.m. sharp.

This will be the only validation conducted, so it is important for everyone planning to show steers to bring their animal to this event.

A. Noriega Named To Dean's List

The 1997 spring semester Dean's List at WTAMU had 812 students earning the recognition.

Students on the Dean's List achieved GPAs of at least 3.25 with a minimum of 12 undergraduate hours.

Aracely Noriega of Bovina, was named to the Dean's List. She is a junior majoring in criminal justice administration.

Car Wash To Benefit Drill Team

The Bovina High School drill team needs help for the 1997-98 school year.

Team members have scheduled a car wash beginning at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, June 28 at the Fire Department. Donations will be accepted.

Cars to be washed will also be picked up and delivered by responsible drivers.

For pickup and delivery service or other information residents can call Marcy at 238-1698, Monday to Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Or call Melissa, 238-9923 after 5 p.m., Kathy, 238-1564, or Celia, 238-1317.

The car wash will be open from 8:30 a.m. all day Saturday, June 28.

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Thogal Stanberry Is Buried Tuesday

Services for Thogal "T.D." Stanberry, 85, of Bovina were held Wednesday at the Bovina First Baptist Church with Cecil Bunch, minister, of Clovis, New Mexico officiating.

Burial was in Bovina Cemetery under the direction of Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home.

Stanberry died June 15, 1997 at the Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona.

He was born April 3, 1912 in Casa, Arkansas. He married Bonnie Mae McCromick December 25, 1935 in Danville, Arkansas. She preceded him in death on December 9, 1975.

Stanberry was a member of the Bovina Church of Christ. He had lived in Bovina since 1953, moving from Danville, Arkansas. He was a retired grain operator from Shereley Anderson Elevator.

He was also preceded in death by two sons, Cloyce Wayne on June 6, 1967 and Buford on November 17, 1977.

He was also preceded in death by one sister, Donnie Sanders on September 23, 1994 and by two brothers, Sol Stanberry on January 8, 1995 and Troy Stanberry on June 10, 1995.

Survivors include three

City Lady's Mother Passes Away

Evelyn Ora Crawford, 77, of Lake Dallas, died June 8, 1997 in Lewisville.

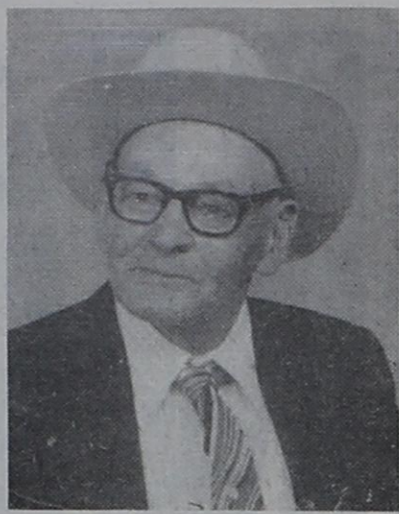
Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, June 11 at First Baptist Church in Lake Dallas. Graveside services were held at Forest Park Cemetery in Greenville.

She was born June 16, 1919 in Quinlan to Henry and Minnie Browning. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Lake Dallas, a past Noble Grand of the Lake Dallas Rebekah Lodge, member of the Panhandle Chapter Order of the Eastern Star, the Past Worthy Matron of the Bovina Order of the Eastern Star.

She was the former tax collector and assessor for the Lake Dallas ISD and former Lake Cities Municipal Utility Authority employee.

She is survived by her husband, Roy Crawford, Sr.; son Roy Jr and wife Jean of Lancaster; daughter, Patricia Turner and husband Jack of Bovina; daughter, Judy Babcock and husband Bobby of Groom; sisters Imogene Ross of Plano, Margie Powell of Caddo Mills and Theresa Scott of Barrington, Rhode Island.

Also, six grandchildren, three great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.



THOGAL STANBERRY

sons, Harold Denton Stanberry, Loy Dean Stanberry and Danny Darrell Stanberry, all of Bovina; and one daughter, Brenda Mae McNeely of Springtown, Texas.

Also surviving are nineteen grandchildren and twenty two great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Harry Johnson, Earl Whitten, Gaylord Stowers, Larry Mitchell, Billy Don Read and Richard Morris

Tidenburg Buried

Services for the Rev. James G. Tidenberg, 62, of Poteau, Oklahoma were held Monday at the First Baptist Church in Poteau. Burial followed in Oakland Cemetery in Poteau.

Rev. Tidenberg died Friday at St. Edward Mercy Medical Center in Fort Smith, Arkansas. He was born January 31, 1935, in Clovis.

Rev. Tidenberg grew up north of Bovina and in Eastern New Mexico. A graduate of Clovis High School, he was ordained to preach at the age of 14 and pastored his first church in West Texas at 16 years old.

Rev. Tidenberg graduated from Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene and received his master's degree from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth.

He and his wife Parilee, were appointed Southern Baptist Missionaries in 1962 and served in Tanzania and Kenya, East Africa, until 1978.

Rev. Tidenberg then pastored churches in Texas and New Mexico, including the First Baptist Church of Poteau, where he was pastor from August 1988 until his death.

He is survived by his wife; two sons, Jim of Clovis and Tim of Longida, Tanzania, East Africa; two daughters, Pat Jordan of Chester, Virginia, and Trisha Dubois of Stillwater, Oklahoma; one brother, Clint of Clovis; and seven grandchildren.



QUILTER OF THE MONTH..... Prairie Acres quilt-of-the-month program features two quilts each month on display in the lobby. This month, Mary Pryor loaned two of her personal creations for the enjoyment of visitors and residents. (Ron Carr Photo)

H. Estes Rites Held On Tuesday

Funeral services for Herman Estes, 84, of Bovina were held Tuesday afternoon at Bovina's First Baptist Church with Rev. Gary Morgan, pastor, officiating.

Additional services were held Wednesday June 18, 1997 in the First Baptist Church in Rockwood, Texas with the Rev. Doug Estes of Fort Worth officiating.

Burial was in Rockwood Cemetery with Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home handling the arrangements.

Mr. Estes died June 15, at Muleshoe Area Medical Center.

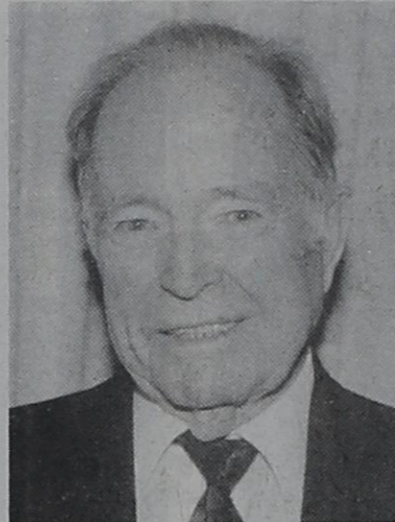
He was born April 1, 1913 in Rockwood. He married Edna Shamblin September 7, 1935 in Forth Worth. She preceded him in death December 23, 1996.

Mr. Estes was a member of the First Baptist Church in Bovina. He had lived in Bovina since 1948 moving from Coleman. He was retired from the Texas Highway Department. He had been with them for twenty-eight years.

Survivors include a son, Kenneth Estes of Mission; a daughter, Suezey Smith of Bovina; a brother, Vernon Estes of Las Vegas, Nevada; and a sister, Mattie Martin of Arlington, Virginia.

Also surviving are nine grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Mr. Estes' grandsons.



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Marion Carsons Celebrate 50th Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Marion H. Carson were honored with a unique 50th wedding anniversary celebration on Saturday, May 31 and Sunday, June 1.

The celebration was held at the Parmer County Community Center in Friona and was hosted by their children and grandchildren: Richard Carson and Galen, Elaine, Michael and Kristen Carson of Bovina; Gary, Jaered and Erin Carson of Rapid City, South Dakota; Alan, Casey, Chysta and Cody Carson of Friona; and Mike, Joan and Caleb Strawn of Cedar Park, Texas.

Marion Carson and Dixie Lee Malcom were married in a double wedding ceremony with life-long friends Billie Dee Pittman and Dora Ann Brabits of Duncan, Oklahoma on January 31, 1947 in Wichita Falls. Marion and Dixie came to Bovina a week later to work for his uncle, Fred Carson, and have lived in or near Bovina since that time.

The celebration had a western theme and the community center was decorated with saddles, blankets, chaps, ropes, horseshoes, branding irons, and wild flowers in antique containers. On the tables were old hats and boots with shocks of ripening wheat in them and gold balloons were anchored to the boots.

Each table also had numerous picture albums. Along one wall was a memorial area with pictures and momentos of deceased family members.

The afternoon was spent visiting, looking at pictures, reminiscing about old memories, making new memories, and taking more pictures. An evening meal was served consisting of smoked beef, smoked sausage, deep-fried turkey and calf fries with all the trimmings.

After the meal, a program was presented of songs, skits, and stories about the life and times of the bride and groom. Participants in the program were immediate family members, other relatives and old friends who told stories from their early days in Oklahoma.

One highlight of the program was the reenactment of the wheelbarrow ride which took place on the main street of Marlow, Oklahoma, their hometown, as part of the "cheverie" for the couple upon their return home after their wedding.

Another highlight was the introduction of the children and grandchildren and their presentation of a gift to M.H. and Dixie of a large "Carson Charolais" sign to be erected on their farm north of Bovina.

On Sunday morning a large pancake breakfast was served. It was followed by a family church service consisting of group singing, solos, devotionals, and a poem about the Malcom family history. Forty-five members of the Malcom family were present, including:

Billy and Donna (Smith) Malcom of Tulsa; Neila Malcom, Jackie and Tyrell Bebout of Amherst; Monty and Betty Malcom and Richard, Tracie, Austen, Tanner and Branton Holmes of Lubbock; Jim and D'Lynn Killham of Amarillo and Laxton and Fleda Malcom of Frederick, Oklahoma.

Also, Dan, Marilyn, Jacob, Jonathan and Joel Seimens of Owassa, Oklahoma; Mary Jo Seibold, Sarah and Max Anthony Seibold of Lawton, Oklahoma; Dennis, Eva Jo, Lane and Jo Marie Hickerson of Lawton, Oklahoma; Tina Beth Neel, Scott and Hank Buchanan of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; Lorena Malcom and Karen Malcom of Duncan, Oklahoma.

Also, Larry and Kathye Malcom of Marlow, Oklahoma; Bob and Patricia Morris of Chicasha, Oklahoma; Forrest and Roberta Moss of Elgin, Oklahoma; Don, Cheryl, Mathew and Aaron Malone of Vernon, Texas; Janis Gatlin and Vaughan Stanford, both of Austin.

The gathering was also a Carson family reunion with 30 members in attendance. Some had not seen each other in over 30 years.

Those attending included: Jewel (Carson) Carter and Julie (Carter) and Katie

Kipp, all of Powell, Wyoming; Bill and Elsie Ruth (Carson) Shoumaker, Melinda, Amanda and Matthew Hagy, all of Bixby, Oklahoma; Ron, Diane, Ron Jr., Schaun and Mandy Shoumaker of Bristol, Oklahoma; and Vadys (Carson) Peters of Amarillo.

Also, Roger and Donna Peters of Wildorado; Frank L. Carson of Lubbock; David Lee and Carolyn (Herring) Carson of Howe, Texas; Stephen, Jennifer (Carson) and Carson Ogle of Lubbock; Linard and Ima Carson, Doug and Charlene Carson and Elzia and Lera Nunley, all of Marlow, Oklahoma; Charles and Lenora Nunley of Edmund, Oklahoma; and Lee Stephan of Mt. Charleston, Nevada.

Twenty-one members of the Strawn family were present. They included: Doris Strawn of Bovina; Jerry and Kay (Hartzog) Strawn and Karen Strawn, all of Panhandle; Bill and Verna Moore (Estes) Strawn of Spearman; Charlie, Millie, Melissa, Jerry and Dixi Strawn of Claude; Scott Strawn of Perryton; Dirk, Shelly (Strawn), Sam and Savannah Smith of Lubbock; Leon and Vickie (Strawn) Richards of Dimmitt; and Judy (Strawn) Herring and Haley and Blake Herring, all of Canyon.

Nine members of the Looney family attended: Joe Looney and Dorothy Looney, both of Bovina; Lynn (Looney) Cabe of Sherman; Lea (Looney) Brantley and grandson Reagan of Midland; Mary Looney Peckinpaugh of Clovis; Stuart and Linda McMeans of Washington, D.C.; and Bobby McMeans of Lubbock.

Marion and Dixie's friends from high school in attendance were: Lawrence and Cleo Shook, Cecil and Cora Belle Montgomery, Jim and Jan Shipman and Dona Mae Perkins, all of Marlow, Oklahoma; and Kenneth and Carmen Barbee of Roswell, New Mexico.

Former Directors and employees of the old Bovina Wheat Growers of which M.H. was a director were: Harold and Betty Hawkins of Mineral Wells; Walter and Lois Potts of Texico, New Mexico; Earl Dean and Ruth Boyd and Glenn and Glenn Hromas of Amarillo.

Guests from Parmer County included: Seva Struve, Louis and Mamie Lou Welch; D.C. and Margie Herring; Hollis and Lunell Horton; R.J. and Betty Renner; and Chris, Terry (Widner), Ashlee and Keith Hunt, all of Friona; Mack Heald, Gwen Corn, Bernice Hartzog and Roy, Trudy and

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Armando Garcia and Vicky Norton of the U.S. Small Business Administration in Lubbock and Don Taylor of the Amarillo SBDC will present "Financing Options: All You Should Know."

There is no registration fee, but pre-registration is encouraged due to limited space.

"This topic should be interesting for all business persons in the community as it will include information on what a business owner should have before applying for a loan, what the banker is looking for, information in a business plan, and the programs and services available from the Small Business Administration.

This is an opportunity for small business owners and prospective business owners to learn about financing options and the SBA Guaranty Loan Program," a spokesman said.

Reasonable arrangements for persons with disabilities will be made, if requested in advance.

For more information or registration, contact Ann Stanford with the Amarillo Small Business Development Center at 806-372-5151.

Ashley Hartzog, all of Farwell.

Also, John Dixon; Owen and Arlene Patton; Mary Alice Cockran; Burl Taylor; Vernon and Ellen Estes; Leslie and Rose McCain; Rita Mast; Bill, Honisu and Bryan Gist; Elton and Marie Venable; Lawrence Kreigel; Jay Sherrill; Anne Corn and Helen Mazurek, all of Bovina.

Also from Bovina, Lawrence and Carolyn Widner; Houston and Laura Bartlett; Dino and Lupe Garcia; Arnold and Amy Hromas; Bob Sparks; Joe and Laverne Black; Bubby and Linda Marshall; Larry and Donna Mitchell; Keith and LaQuita Garner; Donalita Hawkins; Daryl and Jan Hawkins and Gary and April Gober.

Guests of New Mexico were: Betty Culver; Francis Snyder; Dick and Nita Beth (Estes) Dobbs; and Vernon, Missy and Tucker Dobbs, all of Clovis; Wes and Charlotte Cokerham, Chrysta Morris and Shay Norvell, all of Texico; and Richard and Lily Behrendsen of Cimarron.

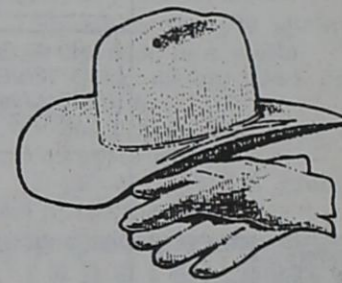
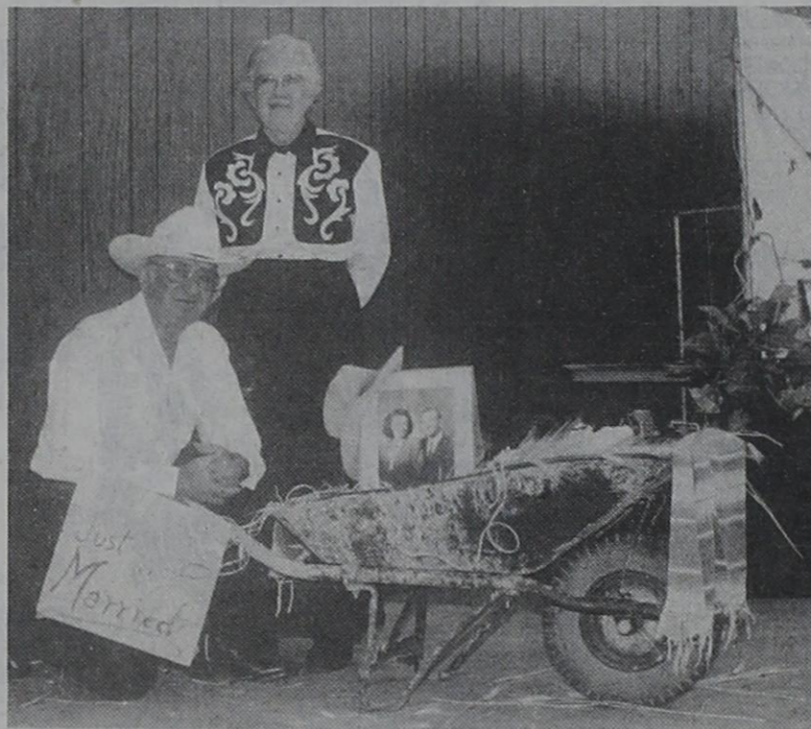
Other out-of-town guests included: Roy and Billie (Vaughn) Parten of Hereford; Bob Bellah and Steve and Toni Puckett of Lubbock; Parker and Martha Stewart; Staci Stewart and Heather Stewart, all of Claude.

Also, Steve Bostick of Matador; Thomas, Terri, Seth, Ethan, and Andrew Blackston, all of Littlefield; Jay, Betty and B.J. Shepherd, of Levelland; Mardell Griggs of Spearman; Ernestean Doan of Tulia; and Jeff Hromas of Amarillo.

Also, Kelly, Laura (Widner) and Jake McMillin of Shallowater; Jerry Conway and Weldon Grisham, of Panhandle; John Paul Jones of La Junta, Colorado; Randy and Toni Barrett of Winter Park, Colorado; and Marjorie Harding of Edmund, Oklahoma.



CELEBRATING THEIR FAMILY...During the Carson's 50th Wedding Anniversary and family reunion, they stopped to take a few photos to remember the big day. Back Row, (l-r) Jared Carson; Gary Carson; Joan and Mike Strawn and Casey and Alan Carson. Middle Row, (l-r) Galen and Elaine Carson; M.H. and Dixie Carson; Richard Carson; and Chrysta Carson. Front Row, (l-r) Michael, Erin, Kristen and Stormie Carson and Caleb Strawn.



50 YEARS AGO...This wheelbarrow arrangement containing shoes, hat and gloves that Dixie Carson wore on the day of their wedding, along with a copy of their marriage license was one of the momentos on display at their anniversary celebration and reunion held Saturday, May 31-June 1.

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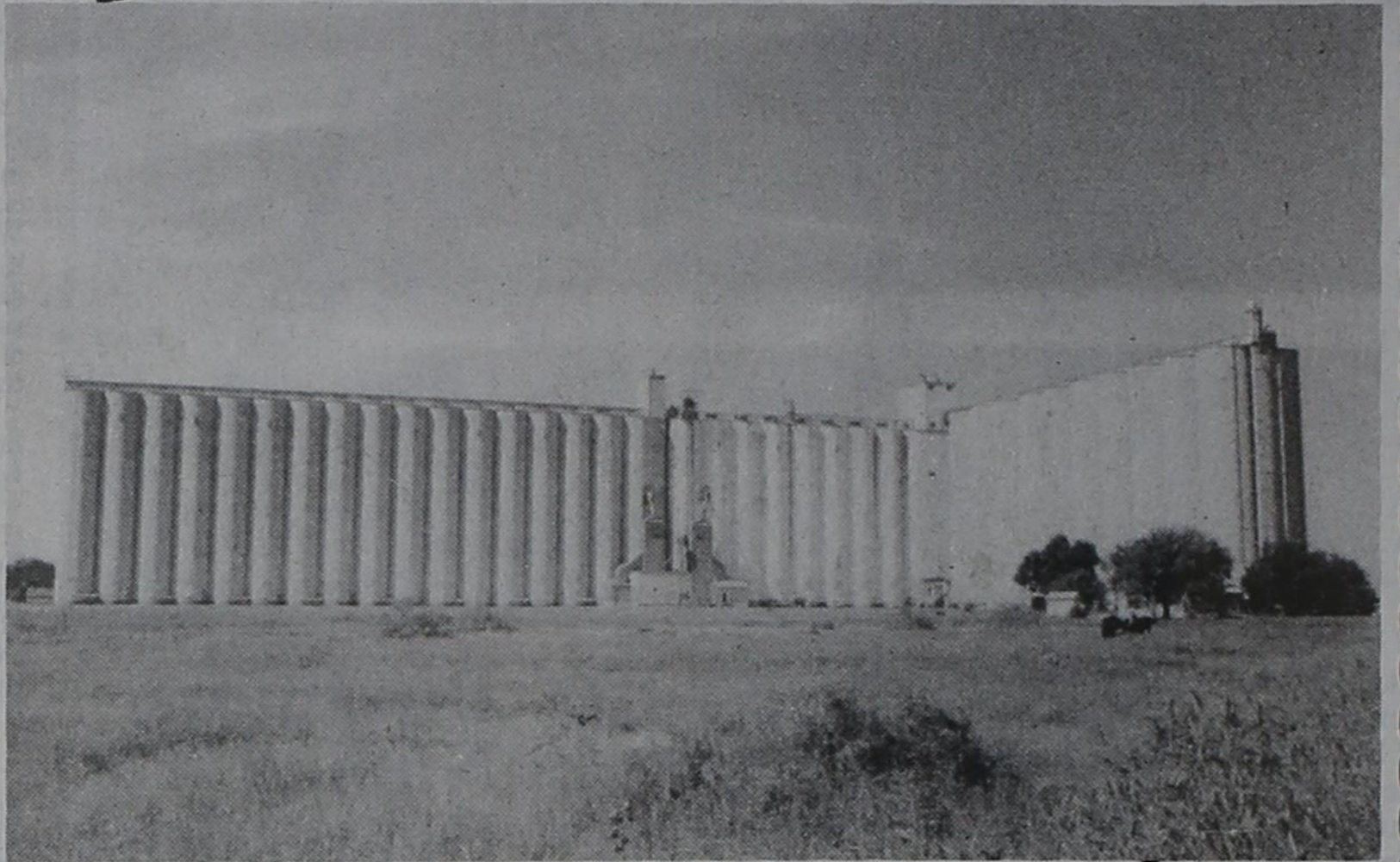
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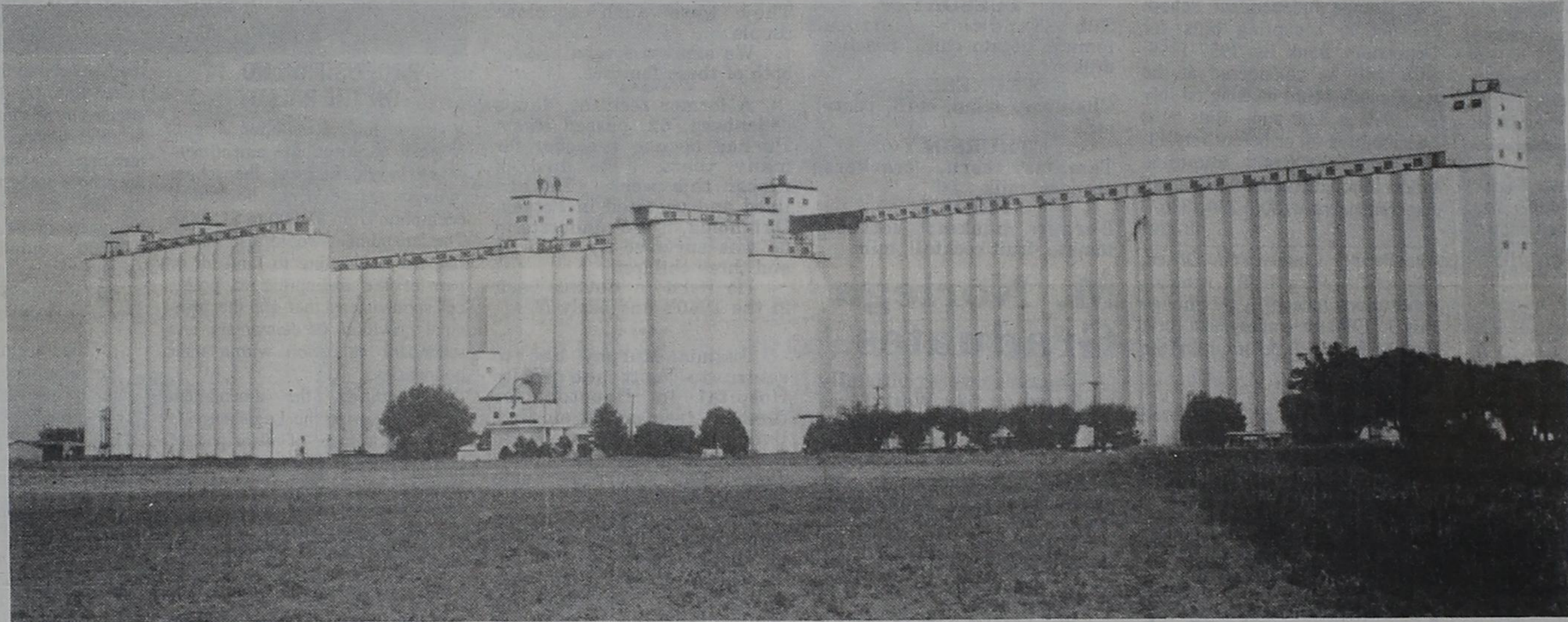


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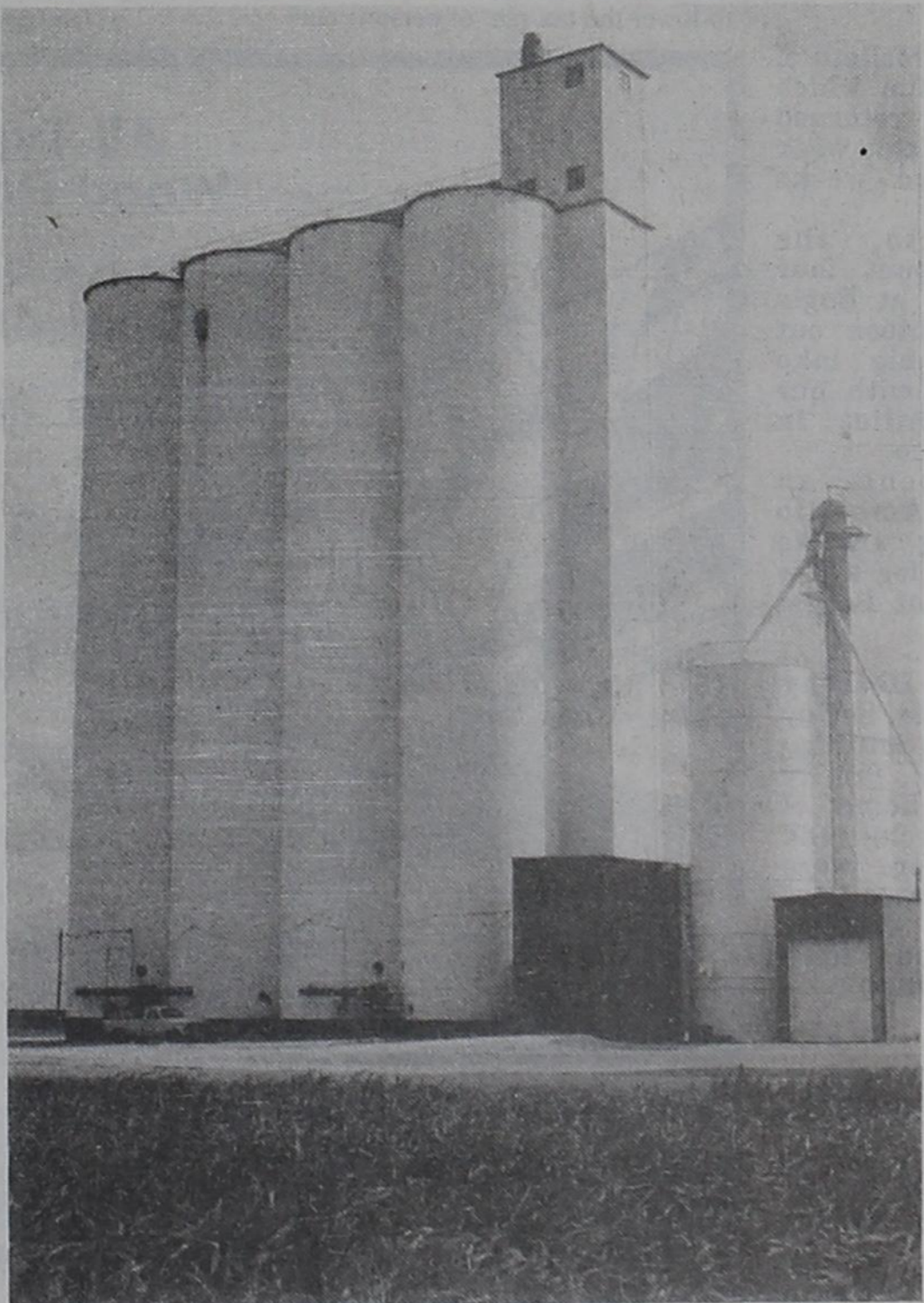
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