

MY TURN

By Carol Ellis



AT ANY GIVEN moment in time, day or night, somewhere around the world there will be a group of grown men running around on a grassy field chasing a little ball.

It's cricket in England, soccer in Australia, jai alai in Spain, lacrosse in France, polo in Argentina, golf in Scotland, tennis all over the world. And in America, it's a toss-up between football and baseball (basketball?) as the national game.

Each autumn, the game of football touches the lives of every person in America, old and young. If you don't believe it, just drive down the residential streets of any hometown the week after school starts. Tiny little girls are out on the driveways of their homes, hopping up and down with their pom poms, practicing for being future cheerleaders. Tiny little boys are out on their front lawns busily bruising the bodies of their friends.

If the children had acted like that back in the summer, you would have called them in for a long lecture about how it is not nice to throw yourself at your little friend, wrestle him to the ground, take his ball away from him and then turn and run off with it in the other direction. But suddenly, all this anti-social behavior is okay because it is "football."

A lot of wives complain about being football widows. I don't see much difference in being a football widow or a baseball widow. The playing seasons get longer each year and overlap to the point where the TV remote control gets worn out while switching from one game to another.

Some wives call their husbands the "armchair quarterback." I call mine the "couch coach." His language begins to change about this time every year. I hear a lot about wide receivers, tight ends, quarterback sacks, etc. And it turns out that a "nose guard" is not some protective gear that a player wears on his face. The word "safety" does not mean that anyone out on the playing field is actually going to be safe from broken bones, concussions, or dislocated body parts.

Zoologist Desmond Morris, in his study of early humans, notes that we live in a civilized society giving us little chance to express our natural group territorial defense and our need for domination over the enemy. The solution to this problem is to provide harmless symbolic substitutes for war. So this is the reason for football.

Scientist Carl Sagan offers a little different view of our need for organized sports. He says that powerful hunting instincts have been bred into our genes for 40,000 generations. Teamwork among hunters is essential in order not to frighten the prey. The early hunter-gatherer of the "stone age" possessed many of the traditional manly traits which we still admire today. Participation or viewing of team sports provides us with an outlet for our zest for the hunt.

I suppose "zest for the hunt" is uppermost in the minds of those professional players who are always holding out for more \$\$\$\$\$\$ (six figures) when it comes to salary negotiations. The average pro player makes about a quarter of a million per season, which is ten to twenty times more salary than the average fan earns each year.

Players argue that their careers last only a few short years. This, however, does not take into consideration those lucrative product endorsements, public appearances, TV sports commentator jobs, and other career opportunities which come available to them once their football days are over.

Wouldn't it be nice if we could return to the days when a team sport was just a game, not a business? This is probably why most of us are ardent fans of our local high school football team. It doesn't matter if they are expected to have a big winning season or not. They're our guys, they're out there giving it all they've got, and, by golly, we're going to get out there and root for them!

Mustangs Are Ready to Buck The Competition

Head coach and athletic director Bobby Ortiz is an optimistic young man. At 26-years-old, he has his first AD and head coach assignment. He also has an arm-load of challenges.

Now in his second year at Bovina, Ortiz inherits a host of returning starters who are eager, but lack experience.

He says, "Last year was a learning year for our young players, sophomores and juniors. This year is time to step up a level and pay the price."

The Mustangs indeed stepped up this year, moving from 1A to 2A, a move that remains to be evaluated. Because of the change and back-to-back 1-9 seasons, the Mustangs are ranked last in the district.

This year the Mustangs will have 24 returning lettermen. The entire offensive line returns intact.

All-district junior Santiago Serna and Lupe Rivera return at tackles. Sophomore Derrick Saddler at 5'10" and 245 pounds has been moved to center.

The backfield is led by rangy quarterback Tony

Beauchamp, the team's fastest player.

Joining Beauchamp in the backfield will be senior Joe Villarreal at fullback, junior Albert Larrea at tailback, and junior Martin Reyna at wingback.

Defensively the Mustangs are loaded with experience at all eleven positions. Junior Francisco (6-2, 210) leads the defensive front line. He was second team all-district last year as a sophomore.

Joe Villarreal and Robert Perez anchor the linebacker corps along with Jim Prather, George Villarreal, and Eric Galvan.

The secondary features experienced starters Beauchamp, Quintana, Larrea, and Rocha.



CLASS OF '76 STILL LOOKING GOOD.....The 20-year reunion of Bovina's Class of 1976 was held August 24, 1996, in Amarillo. The picture was provided courtesy of class member Ken Sorley. See how many of these "kids" you can identify.

County Residents Invited To Three Big Weekend Events

Prairie Acres Nursing Home will observe its 20th anniversary this Sunday, September 8 on the grounds in Friona. All area citizens are urged to attend this big event which will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. in a 40 x 100 foot tent on the northwest parking lot at Prairie Acres.

Entertainment will be provided by "Blue Prairie" a country-western musical trio which includes: Tim McKenzie on bass, Dave Branson on guitar, and Philip Payne on the fiddle. The program includes presentation of songs, stories and cowboy humor in the tradition of Sons of the

Pioneers, Bob Wills, etc. and tells the history of Texas and the old west.

This is not a "come and go" affair. Plan to come early to get a seat, as no tickets are being sold for this big event.

The Prairie Acres program will be over in plenty of time for guests to attend the reception for the Parmer County Hospital Auxiliary which is also celebrating an anniversary on the same day.

The Hospital Auxiliary's 40th anniversary party will be held from four to five p.m. that same afternoon in the front lobby of the hospital.

Plan to drop by and show your appreciation for all the hard work this group has done to help our hospital through good times and bad for the past forty years.

On Saturday, September 7, the Parmer County Fair will be in full swing at the Community Center in Friona. Activities will start with a pancake breakfast sponsored by the Parmer County Fair Board. Serving will be from 7 to 8:30 a.m.. Adults will be charged \$5 and children will be charged \$2.50.

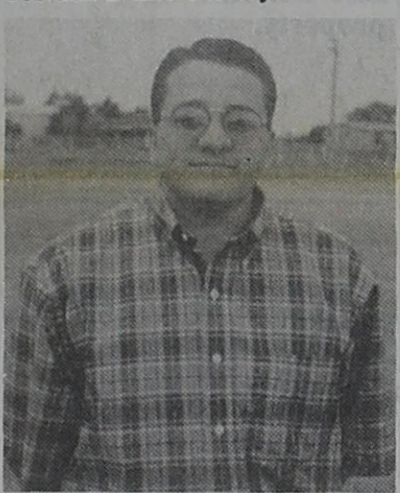
A hamburger lunch is planned for noon time, sponsored by the Pioneer Heritage Chapel and Museum Society. Cost for this event will be \$3.

Other activities include: a pet show at 9:30 a.m.; homemade ice cream contest 11 a.m.; Junior 4-H fashion show and spinning demos at 11 a.m. Also, turtle race, frog jumping contest, and the bucket calf show.

All Bovina residents are invited to attend and participate in these county-wide events.

Globe-News Will Feature Bovina

In the Monday, September 9 edition of the Amarillo Globe-News there will be a feature on Bovina and some of the local residents and history.



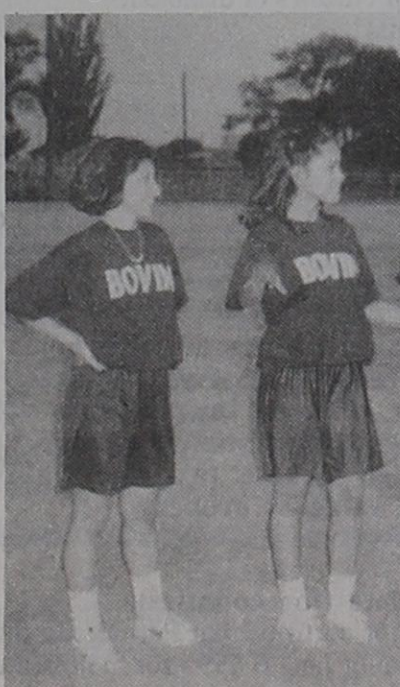
FRANK WILSON F. Wilson Returns To Bovina

If you do not recognize Frank Wilson from the picture it is because he attended Bovina schools for one year, kindergarten.

His father, Larry Wilson served as Superintendent of Bovina Schools when Frank was a lad, but they moved away after his kindergarten year.

Now 23-years-old and a graduate of Midwestern University in Wichita Falls, Wilson's first job is as a social studies teacher and assistant coach.

His Bovina kindergarten teacher was Barbara Charles, who is still teaching future coaches in Bovina's kindergarten.



JR. CLASS EXECS....Officers of the junior class presented at the open house were L-r, Paula Borquez, Marci Guevara, & Carol Gomez. Denise Anderson, class sponsor, makes the introduction.

Bovina FD Volunteers Fill Their Boots For MS

Members of the Bovina volunteer fire department worked hard last Monday on Highway 86 and Highway 60 collecting money in their boots for the national Muscular Dystrophy campaign.

Their smiles, hard work, and salesmanship netted a grand total of \$901 for the charity.

The volunteers would like to thank each and every citizen for their support in this annual project.



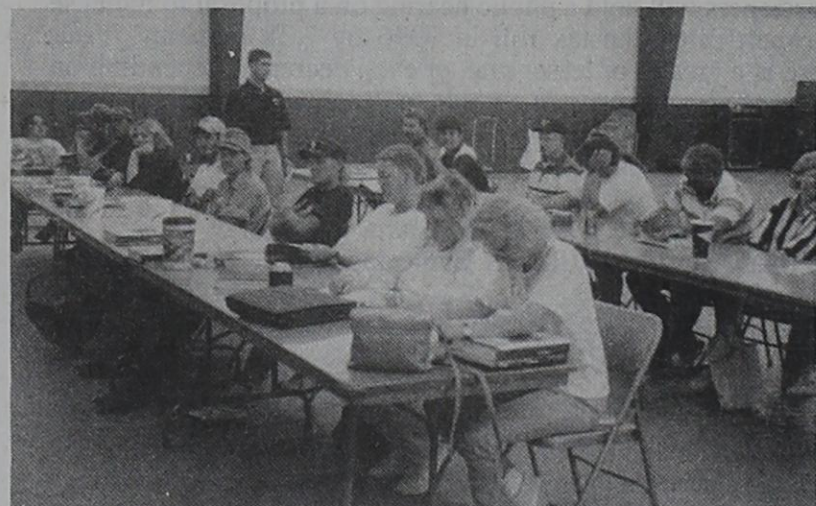
Sr. Citizens Met & 'Et' Wednesday

Bovina's senior citizen circle held their monthly meeting and luncheon at the Senior Citizen's Center on Wednesday, August 28.

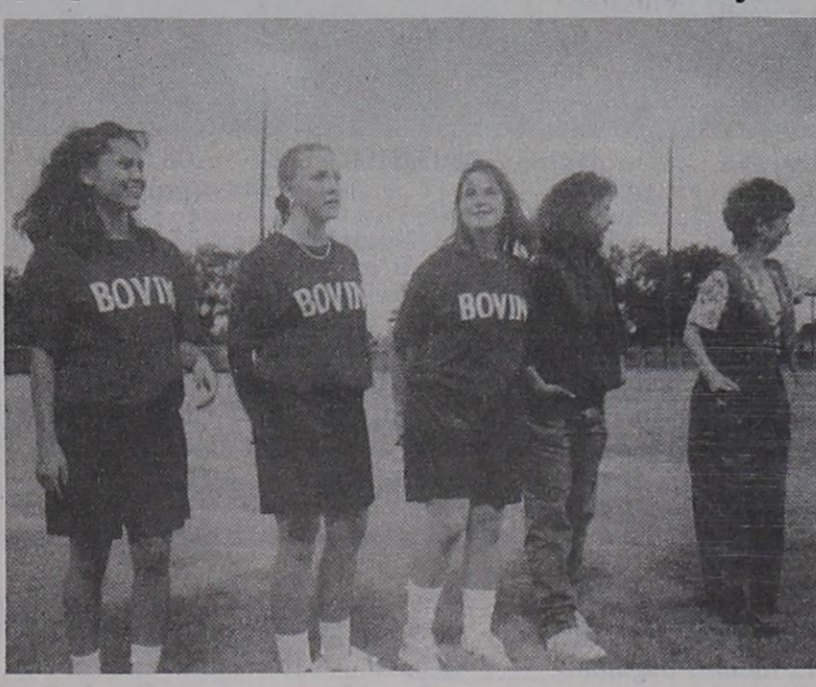
After a sumptuous lunch and a brief business meeting, visiting and games were enjoyed during the afternoon.

Members attending were Julia Leake, Ethel Johnson, Geraldine Ware, Charlise Eubank, Joe Looney, LaTrelle Mieher, Dorothy Ellison, Howard and Minnie Kelso.

Guests were Keegan Langford and Sherry Whiteaker.



EMS CANDIDATES.....A large group of Parmer County volunteers have enrolled in an extensive training class to earn EMS certification. Participants from Bovina, Friona, and as far away as Amarillo meet twice a week at the Friona Community Center. Amarillo College instructor Dave Bulla, standing, prepares the class for an exam last Tuesday.



FHA LEADERS....FHA sponsor Jan Thieman, right, introduced officers for the 1996-97 FHA group. L-r, are Marci Guevara, Amy Venable, Tricia Kessler, & Bonnie Quintana.

Good News in Bovina For the Past 40 Years

JASON KERBY J. Kerby is Student of the Week

BHS Senior Jason Kerby was selected by the teaching staff as student-of-the-week.

Teacher Janie Sudderth nominated Kerby as a good student who participates in extra-curricular activities such as FFA, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, National Honor Society, as well as football and basketball.

Jason is the son of Susan and Al Kerby, Jr. and hopes to attend Texas A & M after graduation.

Cross Country Begins

The Bovina Fillies and Mustangs cross country teams competed at the Frenship meet last week. It was their first meet of the season. The Mustangs managed to come home with two individual medals and the Fillies one.

The Mustangs were led by junior Martin Reyna who was 12th overall. Santiago Vargas finished 14th overall.

The fillies were led by gutsy freshman Melissa Cano, who finished 17th overall.

According to Coach Jeremy Tharp, the Mustangs are on the same pace that took them to regionals last year, while the Fillies, who are facing several injuries, are way ahead of last year's pace when they placed third in district.

Competing and placing at Frenship were Martin Reyna-12th; Santiago Vargas-14th; Derrick Vanegas-22nd; and Adan Perez-24th.

Also, Melissa Cano-17th; Marisol Antillon-26th; Lori Beauchamp-40th; Stephine Villarreal-63rd; Amanda Smith-64th; and Marcy Guevara-85th.

Buckaroo Rodeo Is Rescheduled

Bovina's Little Buckaroo Rodeo, originally scheduled for August 9, has now been rescheduled for Saturday, September 7, at the Bovina Roping Arena.

The August 9 date was cancelled due to weather. The Buckaroo Rodeo on September 7 will begin at 6 p.m. For more information contact Janice Moore at 238-1442, or Glen London, 238-9909.

Karen Meyer, Mark Clayton United In Church Ceremony

Karen Diane Meyer of Houston and James Mark Clayton of Seabrook exchanged wedding vows in a double ring ceremony on Saturday, August 10 at Nassau Bay Baptist Church. Rev. L.D. Hinson, uncle of the groom, officiated at the wedding ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Charles and Diane Meyer of Houston. The groom is the son of James and Sandra Clayton of Bovina and grandson of Jack and Alma Clayton of Bovina and Earl May of Levelland.

The altar was decorated with two large baskets of white gladiola with greenery and two spiral candleabras. The unity candle was centered on the stage. The altar banisters were adorned with greenery and pews were marked with large white bows accented with white tulle and white silk flowers.

Wedding selections were provided by Tammie Sutcliffe and she accompanied Jeff Stith as he sang "Wind Beneath My Wings," "Endless Love" and "The Lord's Prayer."

Presented in marriage by her father, the bride wore a princess style off-white Italian satin gown with a cathedral length train. The bodice and short sleeves were covered with hand beaded pearls and sequins.

Her three-quarter length veil of bridal tulle flowed from a pouf attached to a headband accented with pearls and sequins. She carried a bouquet of white and champagne roses with cascades of stephanotis and greenery.

Serving her sister as matron of honor was Carol Birkofer. Bridesmaids were Christie Carroll of Victoria, Hilda Ledesma of Seabrook, Lori Monahan of San Diego, California, cousin of the bride, and Robin Monahan of Los Angeles, California, cousin of the bride.

The female attendants wore dark blue floor length gowns.

Morgan Clayton, niece of the groom of Bovina, served as junior bridesmaid. The flower girl was Nicki Clayton of Bovina, niece of the groom. They wore identical gowns of white linen.

The groom wore a black tuxedo



Mr. and Mrs. Mark Clayton

with a white vest.

Lonnie Tillinghast of Houston was the best man. Groomsman were Eric Blount of Katy, Ted Clayton of Bovina, brother of the groom, Chad Clayton of Dallas, cousin of the groom, and Wade Davenport of Clovis, New Mexico.

Junior groomsman was Johnny Monahan of San Diego, California, cousin of the bride.

They were attired in black tuxedos with black vests and red rose boutonnières.

Ushers were Stoney Maness of Houston, Todd Van Maaren, Gary Mancini and Brett Mc Gregor, all of Seabrook.

Reading scriptures during the ceremony were John Davidson of Seabrook and Rick Miller of League City.

Attending the registry table were Joanna Windle of Farwell, sister of the groom, and Mary Reid of

Houston, Godmother of the bride.

Following the wedding ceremony, a reception was held in Seabrook at the Villa Capri. A buffet dinner was served to guests.

The five tiered wedding cake was decorated with white icing and fruit filling and the groom's cake was chocolate. On display at the reception were several photos of the couple from infancy to the present.

The couple will be at home in Seabrook where the groom is employed as a mechanical engineer at Rohm and Haas and the bride is an English teacher at Sam Rayburn High School in Houston.

The groom's parents hosted a rehearsal dinner at the Blue Ribbon Bar-B-Que Friday night.

A bridal shower was held by the bride's Godmother, Mary Reid, July 6 in Houston. A couple's shower was held July 13 and a bridal shower was held in Bovina on July 20.

Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The Bovina Independent School District will hold a public hearing on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in 1996 by 5.65 percent. Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property.

The public hearing will be held on Sept. 16, 1996 at 8:00 p.m.

FOR the proposal: Bob Owen, Joe Steelman, Mike Beauchamp, Susan Kerby and Justin Brozek

AGAINST the proposal: NONE

PRESENT and not voting: NONE

ABSENT:

The statement above shows the percentage increase the proposed rate represents over the effective tax rate that the unit published on August 7, 1996. The following table compares taxes on an average home in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average home this year. Again, your individual taxes may be higher or lower, depending on the taxable value of your property.

	Last Year	This Year
Average home value	\$23,483	\$23,216
General exemptions available (amount available on the average home, not including senior citizen's or disabled person's exemptions)	\$5,000	\$5,000
Average taxable value	\$18,483	\$18,216
Tax rate	1.025/\$100	1.05/\$100 (proposed)
Tax	\$189.45	\$191.27 (proposed)

Under this proposal taxes on the average home would increase by \$1.82 or 0.95 percent compared with last year's taxes. Comparing the tax rates without adjusting for changes in property value, the tax rate would increase by \$.025 per \$100 of taxable value or 2.38 percent compared to last year's tax rate. These tax rate figures are not adjusted for changes in the taxable value of property.

PARMER COUNTY FARM TO MARKET ROAD

Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The Parmer County Commissioners will hold a public hearing on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in 1996 by 7.38 percent. Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property.

The public hearing will be held on Sept. 16, 1996 at 11:00 a.m.

FOR the proposal: John Mars, Tom Ware, Robert White and Raymond McGehee

AGAINST the proposal: NONE

PRESENT and not voting: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

The statement above shows the percentage increase the proposed rate represents over the effective tax rate that the unit published on Aug. 7, 1996. The following table compares taxes on an average home in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average home this year. Again, your individual taxes may be higher or lower, depending on the taxable value of your property.

	Last Year	This Year
Average home value	\$29,051	\$29,296
General exemptions available (amount available on the average home, not including senior citizen's or disabled person's exemptions)	\$3,000	\$3,000
Average taxable value	\$26,051	\$26,296
Tax rate	.0803/\$100	.0834/\$100 (proposed)
Tax	\$20.92	\$21.93 (proposed)

Under this proposal taxes on the average home would increase by \$1.01 or 4.61 percent compared with last year's taxes. Comparing the tax rates without adjusting for changes in property value, the tax rate would increase by \$.0031 per \$100 of taxable value or 3.72 percent compared to last year's tax rate. These tax rate figures are not adjusted for changes in the taxable value of property.

Criminal Justice Mandate (for counties):

The _____ County Auditor certifies that _____ County has spent \$ _____ in the previous 12 months beginning _____, 19____, for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. _____ County Sheriff has provided information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs.

PARMER COUNTY

Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The Parmer County Commissioners will hold a public hearing on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in 1996 by 7.3 percent. Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property.

The public hearing will be held on Sept. 16, 1996 at 11:00 a.m.

FOR the proposal: John Mars, Tom Ware, Robert White and Raymond McGehee

AGAINST the proposal: NONE

PRESENT and not voting: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

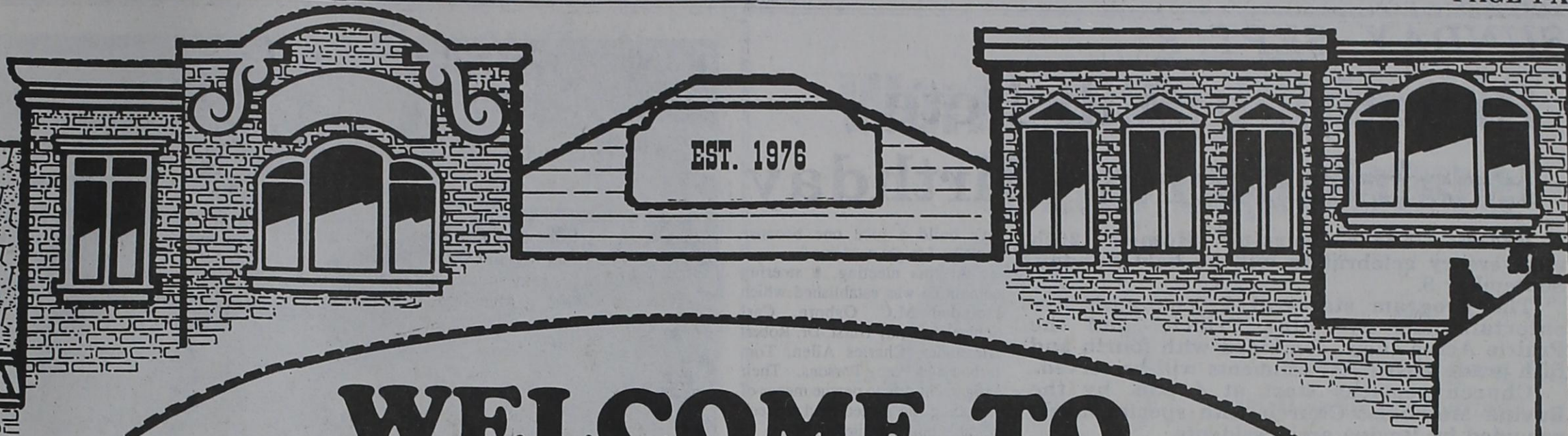
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	Last Year	This Year
Average home value	\$29,051	\$29,296
General exemptions available (amount available on the average home, not including senior citizen's or disabled person's exemptions)	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
Average taxable value	\$29,051	\$29,051
Tax rate	.2638/\$100	.2740/\$100 (proposed)
Tax	\$76.64	\$80.27 (proposed)

Under this proposal taxes on the average home would increase by \$3.63 or 4.52 percent compared with last year's taxes. Comparing the tax rates without adjusting for changes in property value, the tax rate would increase by \$.0102 per \$100 of taxable value or 3.72 percent compared to last year's tax rate. These tax rate figures are not adjusted for changes in the taxable value of property.

Criminal Justice Mandate (for counties):

The Parmer County Auditor certifies that Parmer County has spent \$1,360.00 in the previous 12 months beginning Jan. 1, 1995 for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Eldon Rex Williams, County Sheriff, has provided information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs.



WELCOME TO MAIZE DAYS

Don't Miss Our Big 20th Anniversary Celebration Program

Sunday, September 8, 1996
2 to 4 p.m.

On The North Lawn At Prairie Acres



The "Blue Prairie Boys" will provide an hour of down-home musical entertainment that is sure to be enjoyed by the whole family. Come early so you can get refreshments, and then find a good seat in our big 40x100 foot tent out on the lawn!

This is our way of saying "Thanks" to the people of Parmer County for your wonderful support during the past 20 years.

Our Very Special Guest Artist of the Month
J.D. Keel



Jennifer Beth McDonald
Will represent Prairie Acres in the Miss Friona Pageant on Saturday Night. Best of Luck to Jennifer.



The Friona Art Association is bringing professional artist, J. D. Keel, of Seagraves, as our very special Guest Artist for September. His outstanding landscapes are on display in our lobby. J. D. is well-known in this area for his oil painting workshops throughout the Panhandle area. He has studied with such "greats" as Dalhart Windberg, Frederick Taubes and Bud Biggs. His West Texas interpretations of old houses, windmills, and Texas bluebonnets are much in demand locally and throughout the United States. Keel is shown here with Prairie Acres Director Jo Blackwell.

Prairie Acres Nursing Home

Friona, Texas

SUNDAY, SEPT. 8

Reception Will Fete Prairie Acres' Birthday

Prairie Acres Nursing Home's 20th anniversary celebration will be held Sunday, September 8.

The program starts at 2 p.m. with live entertainment by "Blue Prairie" and the Prairie Acres choir, combined with fourth and fifth grade girls. Refreshments will be served.

Church services start at 4 p.m. by the Bovina Methodist Church with special music provided by Bovina area residents.

Having a nursing home in Friona had been a dream for several years. Even a memorial fund honoring John Bengel had been established at Friona State Bank, in hopes that the project could begin, but for some unknown reason, nothing happened.

Then, on February 6, 1975, at a meeting of the board of directors of the Friona Chamber of Commerce, the dream started becoming a reality. M.C. Osborn, one of the Chamber directors, stated that Friona truly needed a nursing home.

At that time he and his wife, Ann, were making daily trips to the nursing home in Dimmitt where her mother was living. M.C. declared, "If Dimmitt can support a nursing home, Friona can, too!" And typical of the enterprising spirit of Friona's citizenry, another big dream of a small town became Prairie Acres.

Several meetings were scheduled to "get the feel" of the community, and the Chamber of Commerce concluded that interest was certainly high. Plans were made to get as much community input as possible.

Therefore, the following representatives from Friona's churches were asked to serve on an advisory committee: Tom Jarboe, Sixth Street Church of Christ; Charles Allen, First Baptist Church; Dr. Robert Alexander, the United Congregational Church; Andy Hurst, Friona United Methodist Church; Lee Britting and Irene Bermea, St. Teresa's Catholic Church; Carl Schlenker, the Lutheran Church and the Parmer County Hospital Board. M.C. Osborn and Percy Parsons represented the Friona Chamber of

Commerce.

From these meetings came the decision to seek advice and guidance from the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission in Amarillo. Andy Hurst, Pudge Kendrick, Dora Nittler and Percy Parsons met with the P.R.P.C. in Amarillo where they learned that a survey had already been made that indicated a need for a sixty-bed facility in Parmer County. Armed with this reinforcement, the committee undertook the next step.

Because he had built several nursing homes in Texas, Bill Averitt from Lubbock was asked to come to Friona and meet with the community group to answer questions. Since he was unable to come, he sent Raymond Powell, an architect who also had designed and built numerous nursing homes.

The original plan was for a thirty-bed facility, but Mr. Powell quickly advised against that because the expense of building a sixty-bed facility was not that much more. In addition, a sixty-bed facility would pay for itself, and it would be a struggle for a thirty-bed home to ever pay out. He estimated that \$500,000 would build, furnish and landscape an attractive sixty-bed home. Again, the committee decided to ask for response from the community.

Interest in the project was still intense, as was evidenced by the large crowd that braved a cold, stormy night to attend the next community-wide meeting held in the Fellowship Hall of the Friona United Methodist Church. Numerous questions were asked, and the representatives responded as well as they possibly could.

Dr. Paul Spring stated, "If we are going to build a nursing home,

let's build a nice one because someday I might need one."

At this meeting, a steering committee was established which included M.C. Osborn, Carl Schlenker, Andy Hurst, Dr. Robert Alexander, Charles Allen, Tom Jarboe and Percy Parsons. Their assignment was to pursue means of financing the project and to seek possible building sites.

The original plan had been to build the facility on hospital property so as to be near the doctors' offices and use the hospital kitchen for meal preparations; however, the committee had discovered that the State Health Department would not allow the joint use of kitchen facilities for both a hospital and a nursing home.

Therefore, the committee began searching for another location. The ultimate choice was the present site, chosen in preference to others because of the additional property that could be purchased from Tommy and Wanda Jones for future expansion. Tommy and Wanda agreed to sell if the financial arrangements were completed for the construction.

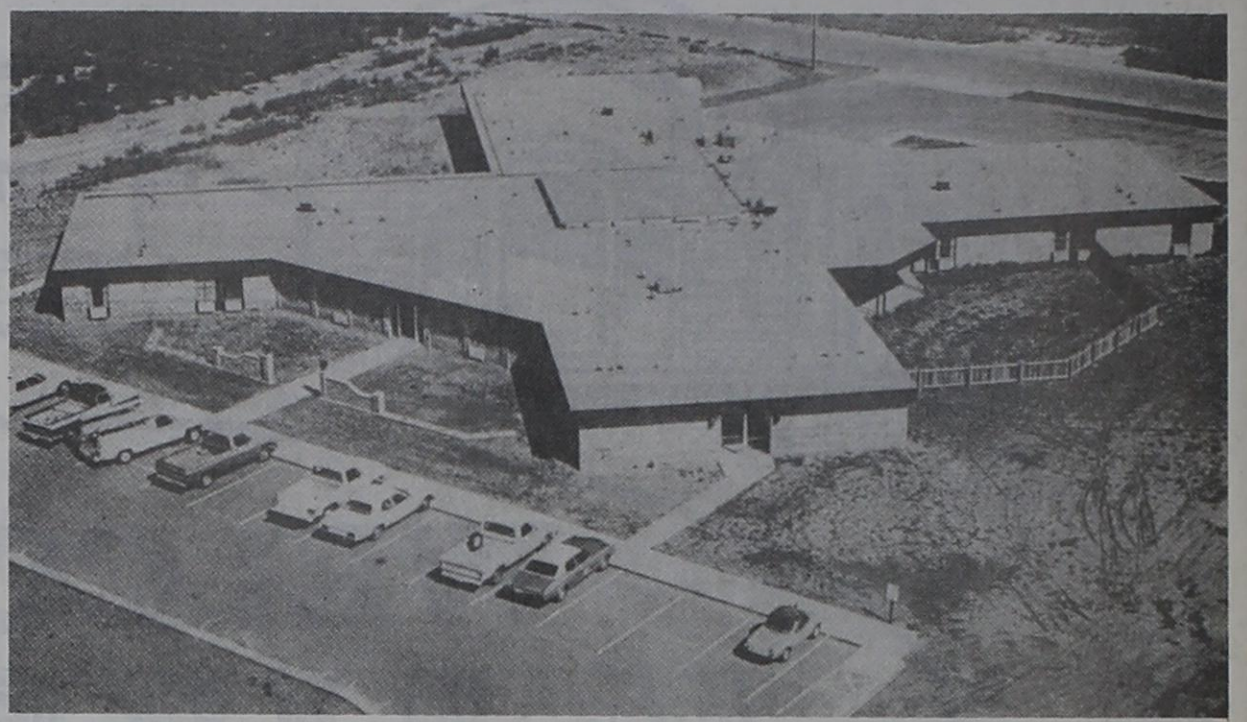
The real challenge was raising the \$500,000. Several ideas were considered before the committee decided to present the idea of a bond election to the City Council. Financing the facility in this manner would make it community-owned and operated.

Raymond Powell was at the meeting to answer questions and to show some preliminary drawings of the proposed facility and elevation drawings of other nursing homes, which proved to be a great help in selling the idea to the council.

A bond election for \$350,000 was approved by the City Council with the understanding that the committee would raise the remaining \$150,000 in cash and pledges from the community.

The \$150,000 for the "Big Dream" materialized in a week's time. Hollis Horton was asked to be the chairman of the money-raising committee. Lila Gaye Gee, June Spring and Ann Spring were

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Prairie Acres--Aerial Shot by Hal Blackburn, October, 1976

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Prairie Acres Reception....

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asked to head the publicity committee for the drive. The action began!

The ladies did a superb job with publicity and when it was complete, Hollis Horton's committee blitzed the community. They began on Monday morning.

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The catalytic combination of willing workers and generous hearts works wonders every time. Next came the bond election. More publicity! But this time, convincing the community of the need wasn't necessary, they were just encouraged to vote. When the votes were tabulated, the results astonished everyone. The bond election on March 31, 1975 carried by a margin of 96 per cent for and only four per cent in opposition.

Mayor Raymond Fleming and the council requested a five-person board to operate the facility so that the City Council would not have that responsibility. Of the seven-man steering committee, the council selected Tom Jarboe, Andy Hurst, Charles Allen, Dr. Robert Alexander and Percy Parsons to serve as the first trustees of the nursing home. Percy Parsons was elected chairman.

The city further required that a member of the trustees attend each monthly City Council meeting and keep them apprised of the progress.

Work on building the nursing home began in earnest with the advertising for architects and the taking of bids. After receiving and studying several bids, the City Council awarded the contract to Raymond Powell of Lubbock.

Following several meetings going over plans with Powell, bids for the construction of the facility were sought. In the meantime, the sixteen acres of land was purchased from Tommy and Wanda Jones.

The bids were opened in a meeting with the trustees, the City Council, Raymond Powell and the bidders present. Although all the bids were higher than the projected amount, Delton Lewellen of Friona submitted the bid nearest to the projected \$500,000, and the council



FIRST RESIDENT....Della Osborn, center, was the first resident of Prairie Acres when it opened for business August 19, 1976. Mrs. Osborn was 96. Shown flanking her are Katie Osborn, head nurse Madie Schmidt, the late Claude Osborn and Friona Mayor Raymond Fleming. (Friona Star files)

advised him that if he could meet with the trustees and Powell and all agree to some changes that would bring the construction within the projected amount, they would award him the contract. That was done and Delton Lewellen built Prairie Acres.

Dr. Robert Alexander compiled an outstanding photo album and file on Friona that Mayor Fleming and Bob Davis, a bond salesman, took to New York City to sell the bonds. Their mission was successful, bringing the dream even closer to becoming a reality.

While construction was progressing, a community-wide contest was held to select a name for the facility. Although many suggestions were excellent, the name Prairie Acres was determined the most appropriate.

Also, before construction of the home was complete, an administrator needed to be hired. Advertisements for the position were placed in several newspapers, and Andy Hurst and Percy Parsons traveled to the Dallas-Fort Worth area to attend a nursing home seminar in search of an administrator.

They learned of Merv Noah who had been recommended as a

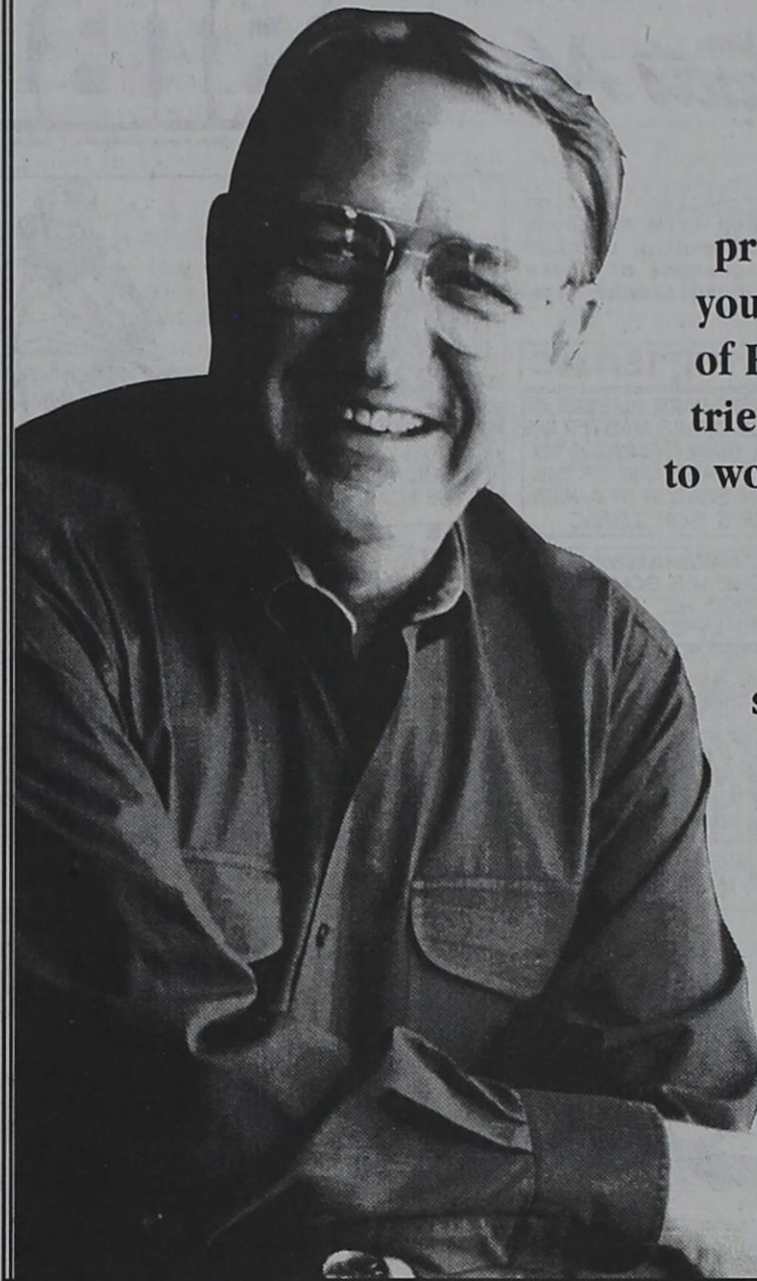
possible candidate for the position. Noah was contacted to see if he would be interested in applying. He was invited to Friona for an interview and was hired. He brought with him Madie Schmidt, a registered nurse, to head the first nursing staff of Prairie Acres.

Merv Noah served as administrator until December 1979. Dora Nittler was hired to replace him. In April of 1980, Jo Blackwell was hired as a co-administrator and became administrator when Mrs. Nittler died August 24, 1980. Jo still serves Prairie Acres as its administrator. Friona owes her a debt of gratitude for her dedication and concern for the residents and their families.

On August 19, 1976, the doors of Prairie Acres were officially opened when Della Osborn was admitted as its first resident. To date, 868 occupants have been served by the now 83-bed facility.

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By SCOOTER RUSSELL

Seems Fall is in the air with a little cooler temperatures. Some days it was in the high seventies but warmer weather is predicted for the week.

We have had good showers and one farmer west of town said he's received three inches in the last two weeks. Some are predicting an early winter, we'll see...

NEWS AROUND TOWN....

We express our sympathies to the family of Paula Nance, a former resident for many years and now lived in Farwell with her husband, Mike, and their young son, Allen Michael.

Paula died at her home on Monday, August 26 and funeral services were held in Farwell by Cecil Bunch of Clovis, on the following Thursday. She was also survived by her mother, Toni; her three brothers, Lee and Benny of Clovis, Leroy of Anton Chico, New Mexico and her only sister, Rose Mary Ward of Bovina.

Paula always had a smile for everyone and was always friendly.

We understand a fund has been set up at First Bank in Bovina to help with the funeral expenses.

Ann Lee Englant underwent surgery at the Clovis Hospital recently and it was thought she may have heart problems but tests ruled that out.

Charles Corn was hospitalized in an Amarillo hospital for a time but has now been released. He had problems with a rapid heart beat but his condition has improved.

Mike London had minor surgery on his face and later had an infection in the area and had to be hospitalized for a few days in the Muleshoe hospital but has been released and is much better.

Veda McKay's granddaughter, Tracy of Paint Rock, Texas gave birth to a baby girl she named Colena. The baby was born in the ambulance before they reached the hospital. The baby was born with problems and is now in the Intensive Care Unit of the Ballinger Hospital which is near Paint Rock. We hope all goes well.

Leslie McCain's brother-in-law, Eldon Hill of Littlefield, suffered a heart attack. He is being treated with medication and is a patient at Methodist Hospital in Lubbock.

Members of the 1976 high school graduating class celebrated their twentieth reunion in Amarillo a week ago Saturday and Sunday. We understand about forty members of the class had a great time and hopefully, we will have pictures and a write-up soon.

Butch McCain was one of those traveling a long distance for the reunion and spent almost a week with his parents before going home to California.

Terry Hutto, a resident of Bovina for many years and is now a lab technician at the Muleshoe Hospital, had to be hospitalized. Friends said a large artery burst and forced blood into his legs and back that caused severe pain. We were working in the yard at the time and called the ambulance himself. This was a serious thing to happen and he was in Intensive Care.

Terry is Ed and Alta Hutto's nephew.

Weldon Moody's wife, Lavonya, has had some surgeries for adhesions and one had to be left open to heal from the inside out, so she has had to be in the hospital for thirteen weeks and the doctors say it will be at least another month before she is released.

I'm sure she would appreciate cards from her friends so if you would like to send one, her address is: St. Mary's Plaza in Lubbock, Room 355, Lubbock.

Suezy Smith and family members went to Coleman, Texas over the weekend and to move her parents, Edna and Herman Estes, back home to Bovina. It will be good to have them in Bovina, where they belong.

Joe Looney celebrated her 90th birthday on Sunday with a party held for over 130 people at the Senior Citizen's building.

Seven of her ten grandchildren were with her and her two children, Howard of Clovis and June McMeans of Bovina.

Relatives came from all over Texas and Joe said almost half of those attending were family members.

We will have a write-up and pictures when they bring them in.

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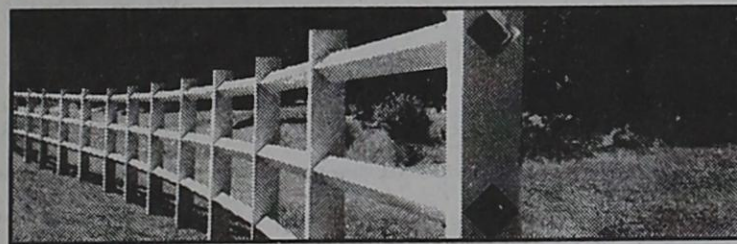
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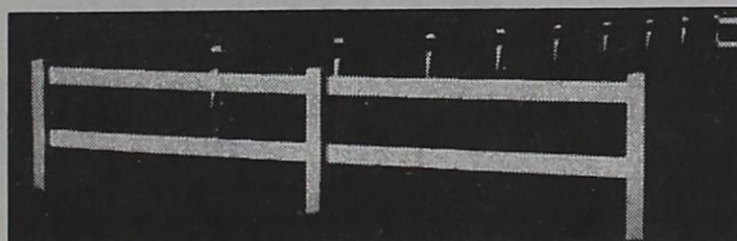
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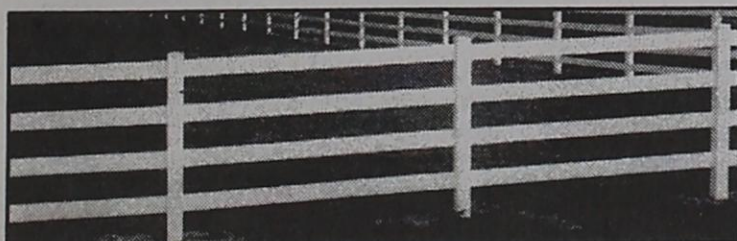
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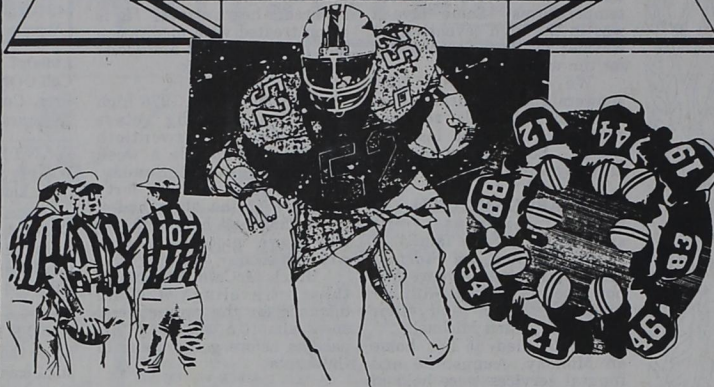
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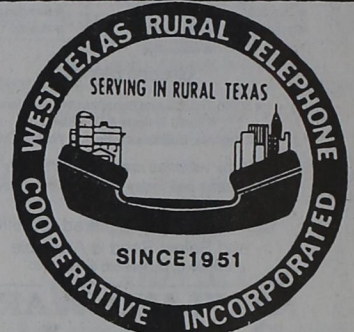
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