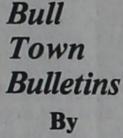
"In The Agricultural Center Of Parmer County"

20 CENTS



Bill Ellis



IF YOU THOUGHT that we had had a lot of rain in Parmer County during the month of May and early in June, you just need to drive a little distance to find out that the rain we've received in this area really has been fairly light, in comparison to other areas.

We went to a family reunion at Bowie last weekend, and everywhere we drove had had much more rain than we have had, and virtually everyone we visited with had had more rain in their areas.

When we drove through Briscoe and Hall counties on Highway 86, we saw fields which were still holding water, a week after their last rain. Most of the cotton in Hall County has been washed away, and it has been too wet for farmers to replant. As we have passed the mid-point of June, the chances of making cotton at this late date get poorer with each passing day.

The small percentage of cotton that survived in that area is just a few inches high.

We had heard on the news about a nine-inch rain in the Paducah vicinity in late May, and we saw evidence of this flood around the Estelline community. Fields have been washed out, and turnrows have been turned to gulleys after too much rain in too short a time.

Department had a crew using a front-end loader to scrape the mud off the highway. The mud was several inches thick at one spot, and there was evidence that the water had been across the highway in several places in that area.

Our relatives who live in Western Oklahoma have had trouble getting their wheat cut. It has been ready to cut since around the first of June, but fields have been too wet. They have had so much rain in places that the wheat head, someone reported.

running. It is unusual to see water Fibrosis Foundation. but it has been lately.

of a picture of Red River being in chairperson was Terri Sorley. wide in the Montague County youngest rider.

river was at a 100-year high, the City Park. They were: Joe meaning that it only reaches that particular level once every hundred years. But Whitecotton remarked that it also reached this stage about Stone, Rusty Venable, Darren three years ago, so it will either have to skip a century, or they will Verner. have to re-figure the odds.

Texas area is pretty and green. In fact, the pastures between here and Childress are green. So maybe this moisture will be beneficial in the

long run. At least those of us in the northern part of the state have been spared the flooding that has hit South Texas. The damage in that part of the state has been measured in the millions of dollars.

People living in the flood area have lost not only their crops, but in some cases their homes and possessions.

So, I suppose we've had it pretty good here in Parmer County. For the most part, the rains we've had have been beneficial and spaced out fairly well. And as soon as our wheat harvest is over, there will probably be a need for more moisture.

UNCLE AUSTIN SAYS: The value of anything depends on the love that went into the making, the earning, or the giving of it.

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EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH....Raymond Roacha was chosen employee of the month and is pictured receiving a \$50 U.S. Savings Bond from Joe Rackley, president of the Bovina Chamber of Commerce. Rocha is employed by Agri-Sprayers.



At Estelline, the Highway CAR WASH...Shown are members of the Youth for Christ group which sponsored a car wash last Saturday. The group made a profit of \$300, and donated \$285 to station KIJN in Farwell.

Bike-A-Thon Nets Over \$1500 Locally

was beginning to sprout in the been turned in and it has been money yet to be turned in, please termed a big success as twenty-six contact her. Creeks and rivers from the riders brought in over \$1,500. The Wichita Falls area on down were money will go to the Cystic

running in some of those streams, The Bike-A-Thon held May 2, Named To was sponsored by the Bovina Billy Whitecotton was telling us Chamber of Commerce and the

the Nocona newspaper in recent Donnie Grissom collected more weeks. The accompanying article pledges than any rider and Jeremy reported that Red River was a mile Willard received a prize as the

Eleven children traveled fifty Experts were saying that the miles, which was 100 times around Torres, Jim Talley, Sammy Rodriguez, Glen Branson, Roberta Marquez, Donnie Grissom, Teresa Hromas, Ione Molinar and John

Other riders were Jackie Everything down in the North Feldman, Jeremy Willard, Brooke Charles, Josie Pena, Lora Saenz, Danny Saiz, Joey Rackley, Ricky Royal, Amy Venable, Lorena Saenz, Richard Beauchamp, Kevin Mitchell, Katie Pruitt, Tony

Beauchamp and Bengy Chisom. Other adults who helped with the Bike-A-Thon were Joe Rackley and Gladys Spring.

The Bike-A-Thon results have Terri Sorley said if anyone has

Two Members Clinic Board

The Bovina Medical Center board of directors held their annual meeting Monday, June 8.

Billy Whitecotton, chairman, gave a status report on the clinic. The arrangement with Dr. Woollends, Whitecotton reported, seems to be satisfactory, and all seems to be going well at this time.

Two new board members were elected. They were Linda Marshall and Dennis Willard, who were elected to replace Ellen Estes and Eugene Scott.

Billy Whitecotton presented bills from the doctor for getting the new x-ray machine in operation. The board accepted these and voted to pay them.

community that would like to help financially, they can give a memorial gift to the clinic. Clinic load of wheat and the moisture cards will be mailed to the family.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL....The First United Methodist Church is having Vacation Bible School this week and transporting the children to and from school are Rouel Barron and Dean Hastings. The first day's enrollment was 88.



TODD WARE was one of 400 students attending an energy symposium in Austin last week.

(See story, page 2)



FATHER'S DAY....Jack Turner looks forward to spending the day with his two sons and two daughters. He is shown with his sons, Jarrett and two-year-old Troy Frank, who is now out of a body cast that he had to wear for five weeks following an accident. Jack and his wife, Pat, also have two daughters, Tambra and Rachel.

JULY FOURTH

Chamber Finalizes Holiday Promotion

football field with a pet show at 5 Club is sponsoring it.

At 6 p.m., the Chamber of ring toss, a raffle booth for the Lion's Club invite everyone Commerce will be having a hamburger/hot dog cookout. The hamburger plate will cost \$2.50 and the hot dog plate will be \$2.00. This includes hamburger/hot dog, chips, relishes, cookies and iced

Soft drinks will be available for sale all evening. Many Bovina businesses have donated prizes for a business promotion. Everyone who purchased a hamburger or hot dog will receive a free ticket which will enter them in a drawing for were anjoyed by all who attended. one of these prizes.

The Bovina Chamber of ages of 1-100 beginning at 6 p.m. 'dream vacation' The events will begin at the few of the activities planned.

The Fire Department is beef will be held prior to the p.m. The show is being organized sponsoring a dunking booth (with fireworks display at 10 p.m. by Ella Jo Stormes and the Lion's many surprise individuals to take The Bovina Chamber of

Commerce has finalized the plans Races, a fishing booth and complimentary watermelon feed. for the Fourth of July celebration. horseshoe tournament are just a The drawing for the winner of the Chamber's gas grill and side of

their turn in the dunking chair), Commerce, Fire Department and

Mejia Family Has Reunion In Bovina

old stories and fun filled activities Childress, Texas.

The entire family of Porfirio There is going to be a "Kids and Patsy Mejia, Sr. was present Karnival" for kids between the with the exception of one son and

of farm buildings, assembly of

Plains, and from eastern New

and

The first annual Mejia reunion family, Isaih, Jan, Mary Kathryn was held in Bovina on the weekend and John Mejia of Charlotte, of May 28-30. They spent a North Carolina and one daughter. weekend of visiting and renewing Delilah and Justin Lemons of

> The following were present: Louis, Gloria, Michael and Monique Mejia of Memphis; Esther, Joe, Lucas, Levi and Jacob of Bovina; Dianne, Carlos, Abigale and Andrew Luna of Sam Norwood; Porfirio, Hayley, Nathan Mejia of Irving; Adam Mejia of Lubbock; Gilda Mejia of San Angelo; Zinthya and Monty Lewis of Leesville, Louisiana; Daniel, Sandra and Naomi Mejia of Memphis.

Also present were: Josefa, The students were Randy Stone, Eladio, Berta, David Loera of America who participated in the Manuel Porras and Jarrett Turner. Texico, New Mexico; Guradalupe Among FFA advisors and Morio Jr., Raquel Cabrera of workshop sponsored in Amarillo vocational-agriculture teachers Texico; Rosa, Louis, Laura, helping to conduct the worksnop Amanda, Marcos, Adrian Lorea was Jack Dillard of Bovina High of Texico; Felix, Virginia, Miqul, Metisha, Elesia Lorea of Clovis; The three-day workshop, June Eladio, Yolando, Voronica, 8-10, featured demonstrations, Valeria, Jason Lorea of Clovis, videos and lectures on the wiring New Mexico; Carman and Durell Smith of Alexandrea, Virginia; electric controls, electrical safety Raul and Rebecca Villafranco of and other topics. Students from Lubbock; Eugene, Connie, Lionel the Texas Panhandle and South Villafranco of Littlefield; Johnny, Juanita Villafranco of Littlefield; Mexico, attended. Instructors were Elada Garza and family of DPS employees, representatives of Littlefield; Maria, Roxanne, Alice, the Texas Agri Business Electric Adam Franandez of Grand vocational-Prairie; and Elida Gonzales of Littlefield.

Three BHS Boys Attend Workshop

Company (SPS).

School.

Council,

agriculture teachers.

Three students from Bovina by Southwestern Public Service High School were among 60 members of Future Farmers of 25th annual farm-electrification

First '87 Wheat Is arvested

The first load of barley and the first load of wheat were delivered If there are people in the to Sherley Grain Elevator Sunday night, June 14.

Leslie McCain delivered the first content was 9.30.

Kenneth Johnson brought in the first load of barley and its moisture content measured 10.

Both men will receive bonus checks for \$50 for bringing in the first 1987 loads harvested.

M. Morgan **Appointed** City Judge

Mearle Morgan has been appointed to serve Bovina as Municipal Judge. She will be working two hours each week day.

She succeeded Wayne Spears, who was also Justice of the Peace and City Administrator.

9 a.m. in the morning until 11 a.m. each week day with the exception of Tuesday and she will be in the office from 1-3 p.m.



Mearle will be in the office from MUNICIPAL JUDGE.... Mearle Morgan assumed her duties as the Municipal Judge for Bovina and assumed her duties on June 10. She will be working two hours each week day.



VIOLET VENEGAS, daughter of Rosa and Rogelio Rivas, celebrated her fifteenth birthday with a party and dinner, held at the Belen Baptist Mission in Bovina on June 7. Raguel Degollado of Friona made the dress for her.

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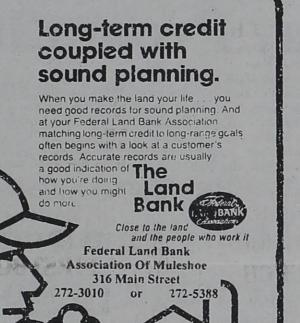


S.D. Rites Are Held

Funeral services were held Saturday, June 13 for Virgil Roberts, 71, of Pierre, South Dakota.

Roberts died after a lengthy illness on June 10 and services were held on Saturday, June 13 at the First Baptist Church in Pierre.

Estelle; one daughter, Mary Erickson; one granddaughter and one grandson; and two sisters, Virgie Adams of Bovina and Jewell Henderson of Ft. Worth.



He is survived by his wife, Reports By

Science Symposium Outstanding area high school throughout the Panhandle and science students and teachers South Plains of Texas, was learned of the latest developments sponsored by Southwestern Public in the energy field June 8-11 at the Service Company (SPS).

Todd Ware Attends

Brent, who was born June 5 at

11:42 p.m. at the Deaf Smith

measured nineteen and one-half

Walter Potts of the Rhea

community, and Mr. and Mrs.

Great-grandparents are Mr. and

Mrs. Barney Kelley of Pleasant

Hill, Mr. and Mrs. W.A. Priest of

Clovis and Mrs. Opal Potts of

Club Hears

Committees

A regular meeting of the Bovina

Lions Club was held June 11 at the

firecracker stand committee. A

new stand was built by several of

Knight was in charge of the

It was reported that the "Mule

Ride" for the drug program

were E.B. Caldwell, J.W. Wright,

Rouel Barron, Sonny Roach, Keith

The next meeting will be June 26

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Among the approximately 400 Texas Energy Science Symposium participants from across the state The group, representing schools was Todd Ware, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ware of Bovina. It's A Boy
For Pottses

The symposium is an annual event sponsored by the Texas Research Atomic Energy Foundation (TAERF). foundation is composed of ten electric utilities in Texas, including the parents of a baby boy, Logan SPS.

Although the company does not own or operate any nuclear power plants, SPS's membership in The infant weighed seven TAERF is a mark of its on-going pounds, fifteen ounces and commitment to energy research. An important part of this research is the fusion research program in Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. place at the University of Texas.

Weekly

The weekly bulletin is brought to you by the Bovina Booster Club. MONDAY

Methodist Vacation School this week. T-Ball: Lawlis/Mustang

Agri-Sprayers. Mustang: Sudderth vs Parmer County Spraying/Marie's. Bronco: Sherley Grain vs Kirk-

TUESDAY

patrick's.

Roping practice at 7 p.m. T-Ball: Charles Oil/Sherrill A report was given by the Lumber vs Agri-Sprayers.

Softball Bronco: Kirkpatrick's vs Bovina the Lions' members and Keith Supermarket.

> Baptist Bible Study at 9:30. WEDNESDAY

Youth For Christ at Tammy Willard's.

St. Ann's prayer meeting at Members present at the meeting 7:30.

Baptist prayer meeting at 7:30. THURSDAY

Knight, Durward Bell, Vernon T-Ball: Lawlis Gin/Mustang vs Charles Oil/Sherrill Lumber. Willard, Bob Owen, Ronnie Cary, Mustang: Parmer Co./Marie's Kenneth Cary, Jay Sherrill, and

vs Sudderth. Bronco: Bovina Supermarket vs Sherley Grain.

FRIDAY

Softball Bronco: Kirkpatrick's vs Sherley

SATURDAY Senior Citizens dinner and games, 6-9 p.m.

SUNDAY Father's Day Church

If you have information for the bulletin, please contact Dottie Neal at 238-1575.

ROSE AND LESLIE McCAIN are shown with Today Show weatherman, Willard Scott. The McCains met Scott in Wichita Falls. The television personality was in the north Texas city to do the weather. The McCains' sons, Ben and Butch, are the only television news and weather brother team in the country. The brothers drove down from Oklahoma City to visit their friend, Scott, and invited their mom and dad to join them.



BIRTHDAY HONOREES....Erma Bradshaw and Jim Owens celebrated their birthdays at a party held in their honor at the Senior Citizens building on Wednesday of last week. Those hosting the party were the ones who celebrated their birthdays in May.

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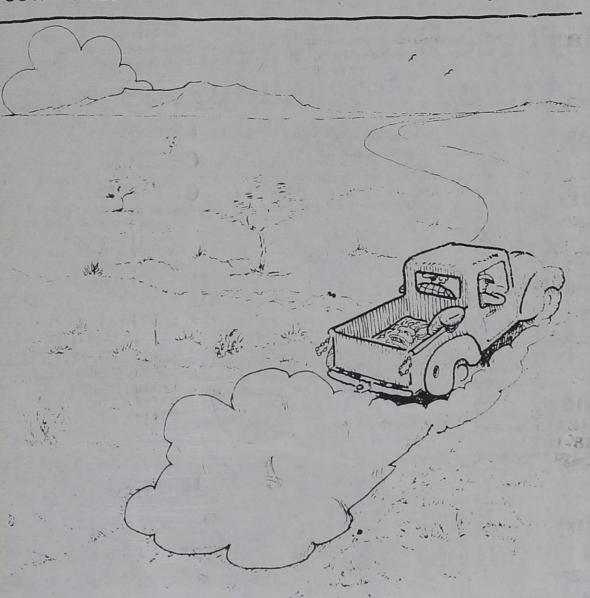
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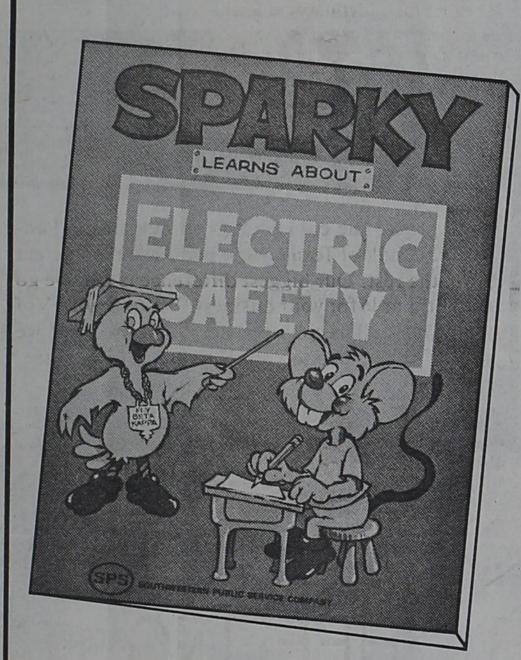


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at Lubbock Methodist Hospital in plane ever built. It is made mostly The Hughes Estate donated the had a great time. the intensive care unit. She was in Ruidoso when she became ill and was taken to the hospital there and transferred to Lubbock on Saturday. She is suffering from heart problems and will probably have surgery this week, according to a family spokesman.

. . . . Dyalthia and Larry DeFever of Amarillo and son, Greg, are in Bovina with Dyalthia's mother, Erma Bradshaw. The family has been working to have a barn sale which will be Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Kirk Scott and his grandmother, Erra Jamerson, went to Abilene a couple of weeks ago and visited with Kirk's parents, Larry and Carol Scott. Erra said the Scotts were getting settled in Abilene and Carol was going to teach a three-week kindergarten class, which began last week.

Donnie Shamblin of Amarillo is in Bovina this week visiting with his grandparents, Jack and Ona Patterson.

Amy McCormick of Amarillo is in Bovina this week, staving with her grandparents, Vernon and Frances Willard, and attending Bible School. She is the daughter of Alton and Terry McCormick of Amarillo.

Naomi Mejia of Memphis has been in Bovina visiting her sister and family, Esther and Joe Steelman. While here, she attended Bible School. Also visiting was Esther's cousin, Roxanne, from Grand Prairie.

We express our sympathies to Virgie Adams whose brother passed away and services were held last week. He was Virgil Roberts of Pierre, South Dakota. He died of cancer. Virgie was ill and could not go to the funeral. He was survived by his wife, one daughter, and two grandchildren.

Congratulations to Walter and Lois Potts on the birth of their first grandchild. He has been named Logan Brent and his parents are Billy Joe and Zandy Potts of Texico.

Harry J. Charles was hospitalized in the Lubbock Methodist Hospital and while there he had to have a pacemaker put on his heart. He is back at work and says he is feeling much better.

We were happy to hear that Jim Rhodes will be coming to Bovina and working as ag teacher at Bovina High School. Also, the school has hired John Jacoby as band director. We'll have more on these teachers when they get settled in Bovina.

Jim and I went back to California last week and spent a couple of days sightseeing on Long Beach. We stayed a day and night on the Queen Mary, the largest ship afloat. The top deck is three acres in size and measures 1,016 feet long.

The Queen Mary was a luxury liner for several years. When World War II began, she became a war ship. Six miles of lush carpet was removed and 200 crates of silver and china were stored. She was painted a misty gray color and called the Grey Ghost.

During the ten war years, the Queen Mary was never fired upon, and never fired upon another ship. Hitler offered a quarter-million dollar bounty for anyone who could sink her, but she was a fast ship and was able to zig-zag so quickly that it made it impossible for the enemy to track her.

Fifty-six kinds of beautiful wood decorate her halls and

returned home last week from a wedding chapel, gymnasium, wood is spruce. That is the reason is on the shores next to the Queen trip to Georgia, where they spent a indoor swimming pool, seven for its nickname, which Hughes Mary. Some said it was only fitting couple of weeks visiting with their restaurants, beauty shop, barber despised. brothers and sisters in Blue Ridge, shop, a variety of stores, hospital Ona said they stayed in a pretty that rises three decks seating 870 and the tail stands eight stories California shores. cabin that was built by Jack's people. After the war, the ship high. A DC-10 could be placed

families homes. The cabin had a the shores of Long Beach in 1967 an altitude of 70 feet, which Call. We drove to Salinas and had nice little trout stream running where it serves as a luxury hotel amazed onlookers. It was then dinner at Fisherman's Wharf on close by and that made it bearable and recreation for hundreds of kept in a special temperature and Monterey Peninsula. On our way tourists each year.

Dorothy Looney is hospitalized Hughes' Spruce Goose, the largest thirty years until Hughes' death.

and operating room, a dining hall spread of 320 feet, weighs 200 tons side by side on these beautiful under each wing. Hughes flew the harbor which included the The Queen Mary was moved to plane for one minute and reached Londontowne Village and Ports of humidity controlled hangar. It was home, we visited and had a meal We also toured the late Howard always kept ready for flight for with relatives at Moriarty, New

Jack and Ona Patterson rooms. There are 400 bedrooms, a of wood and glue and much of the Spruce Goose to Long Beach and it that the two most incredible This floating plane has a wing objects ever built would be placed

We took in more sights along the Mexico. It was a fun trip and we







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