

## Bull Town Bulletins



By Bill Ellis

**WEATHER** has always been a subject of great interest to yours truly. Having been born and raised in this country, reared on a farm, I have always been aware of the vital role that weather plays in regard to farming.

The drought that is plaguing the Midwest has been much in the news, and the irony of that situation is the fact that at least in the local area, we have received close to our normal amount of rainfall in 1988.

In fact, the long-range weather forecast puts our immediate area in a "wet" category, while leaving the Midwest to be continuing its drought conditions.

We noticed, for example, that Nashville, Tennessee, was 13 inches below its normal rainfall at this point in time, and neighboring Memphis was nine inches short of its usual measurement.

We happened to be in New Orleans this past week, and a story in Monday's New Orleans *Times-Picayune* stated that the Mississippi River is showing the results of the drought which has the Midwest in its grip.

The river was about three feet below its normal stage in New Orleans, and this figure varied up to five feet below normal at points upstream.

We crossed the Mississippi River at Vicksburg, Mississippi, on our return trip. It was the first time we had ever crossed the river at this point, but it looked as though there were far more of the red banks of the river exposed on both sides than there normally would have been.

As the river depth continues to fall, the boat traffic up and down the river may become affected. Some of the larger boats and barges require a minimum depth in the river in order to navigate safely.

Another irony in the fact that our area has received its normal amount of rainfall is the fact that with a lot of the area's acreage in the CRP program, there will be a lot less acres of crops planted and harvested in the local area, which perhaps will see some good yields based on the early rainfall totals.

It's too bad that the floods that hit some areas, such as the pastures of Eastern New Mexico and the farmland just west of Friona this week, could not have been spread out over parts of the Midwest, or even other parts of our own state which are below normal in rainfall.

But nature doesn't operate with everyone getting their "average" rainfall or anything else. That's what makes the business of farming such a risky one.

We salute our area's farmers, and hope that their year turns out to be a good one. If we can get a break from the weather the rest of the year, there is a chance we can have a good farming year.

And hopefully, those farmers in the Midwest will also get some relief, although for many of them it is coming close to being too late to help them for the 1988 crop, even if rain is received immediately.

Farmers have had their share of setbacks in recent years due to a variety of factors including an unstable market. This year, they have their old bug-a-boo, the weather, thrown in just to make matters worse.

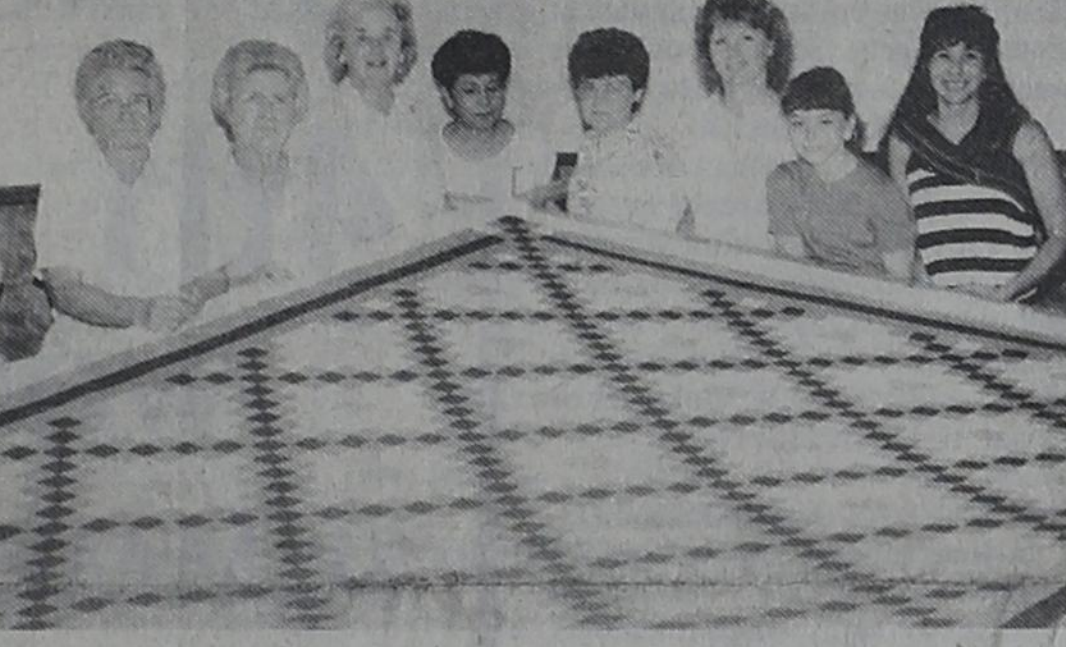
## '83 Class To Have Reunion

The Bovina High School graduating class of 1983 will be having their fifth class reunion on July 2 at 6 p.m. at the home of Lisa Schilling.

The cost per person is \$3.00. Please RSVP to Patti Sherrill at 7610 Canode, Amarillo, Texas 79129.



**RECEIVES CERTIFICATE...**Bob Owen is shown receiving a certificate of appreciation for cooperation with the National Guard from Jim Key of Amarillo. Clare H. Stokes, Lieutenant Colonel for the Army National Guard is instigator of this project. Stokes, of Forest Park, Georgia, is a former Bovina resident and taught at BHS. Also receiving these certificates are Kenneth Gauntt, elementary school principal and members of the school board.



**QUILT PROJECT...**Ladies of St. Ann's Society are shown working on the annual quilt project with the Double Irish Chain design. The queen-sized quilt will be given away Sunday, November 6 at the annual Turkey Dinner. Donations of \$1 per ticket may be obtained from any member.

## Wheat Harvest Is Underway Locally

Bolstered by a spell of dry weather and then unusually wet weather, harvest was beginning to get underway in the Bovina area last week.

Leslie McCain marketed the first load of 1988 wheat at Sherley Grain. McCain delivered his load of grain on Saturday, June 11. It tested dry. The moisture test was 11.50 and test weight was 56 pounds per bushel.

Ricky Morgan delivered the city's first load of barley on June 17.

Harry Johnson of Sherley Grain said the wheat crop this year was definitely not an average year and test weights were probably the worst they had ever had. Growing conditions had not been good, because of the dry weather in early May. He also said that the average yield per bushel was low on barley.

Johnson said with most farmers wheat harvest was their second priority as they were busy working their corn crops and the good rains

had helped considerably, but now some were having to irrigate.

Other farmers cutting grain in the area are Monty Barrett, Kenneth Cary, James Clayton, Mike Beauchamp, Wayne and Kent McClaran, Eddie Don and Edwin Lide, Blake Sudderth, Don Murphy, Marion Carson, Thomas Rhodes and Calvin Talley.

## Bloodmobile To Visit June 24

The Coffee Memorial Blood Center will be here Friday, June 24 at the Community Room of the First Bank.

Everyone is urged to take the time to give a pint of blood.

The Coffee Memorial Blood Center supplies all the blood and blood components to 21 hospitals encompassed within a 26-county, 100-mile radius.

The center needs to collect 400 pints of blood each week from volunteer donors to meet the needs of sick and injured hospital patients.

Blood is available from the center for anyone in the Panhandle Service Area upon the request of a hospital or qualified physician.

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## Program Is Set July 3

On Sunday, July 3, a special program is being planned for the Bovina community. The program will be in the City Park and will begin at 10 a.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

Grady Sorley will be leading the music and presenting special music. There will be a flag ceremony by Bovina's Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts.

A children's choir will be made up of all the children in grades two-six. If you have children who would like to participate in this choir, contact Brenda Wilson or Esther Steelman.

There will be a special recognition of our community's war veterans. If you are a veteran and can be present that day, please contact the Baptist Church, 238-1632 (mornings). The program will be highlighted with a patriotic devotional.

After the program, there will be a picnic lunch. Everyone is to provide their own lunch. Drinks will be furnished. Dress will be casual. A nursery will be provided at the First Baptist Church for children under two years of age.

## July 4th Events On Schedule

Several events will be taking place on July 4 and at that time the Fire Department will be sponsoring a watermelon feed which will be free, the dunking booth and a ring toss.

The Chamber of Commerce will be sponsoring a drawing for a VCR mini cam-corder, a trampoline and a Schwinn bicycle. The Fire Department will be having a drawing for a shotgun, microwave and food processor.

The Fire Department is donating \$200 to the Chamber to help with the expense of the fireworks.

"Get your team together for the Fourth of July volleyball tournament," says Coach Marks Lanham. There will be three divisions: men's, women's and mixed teams. If you are interested, contact Marks Lanham for details. Entry fees will be \$25.

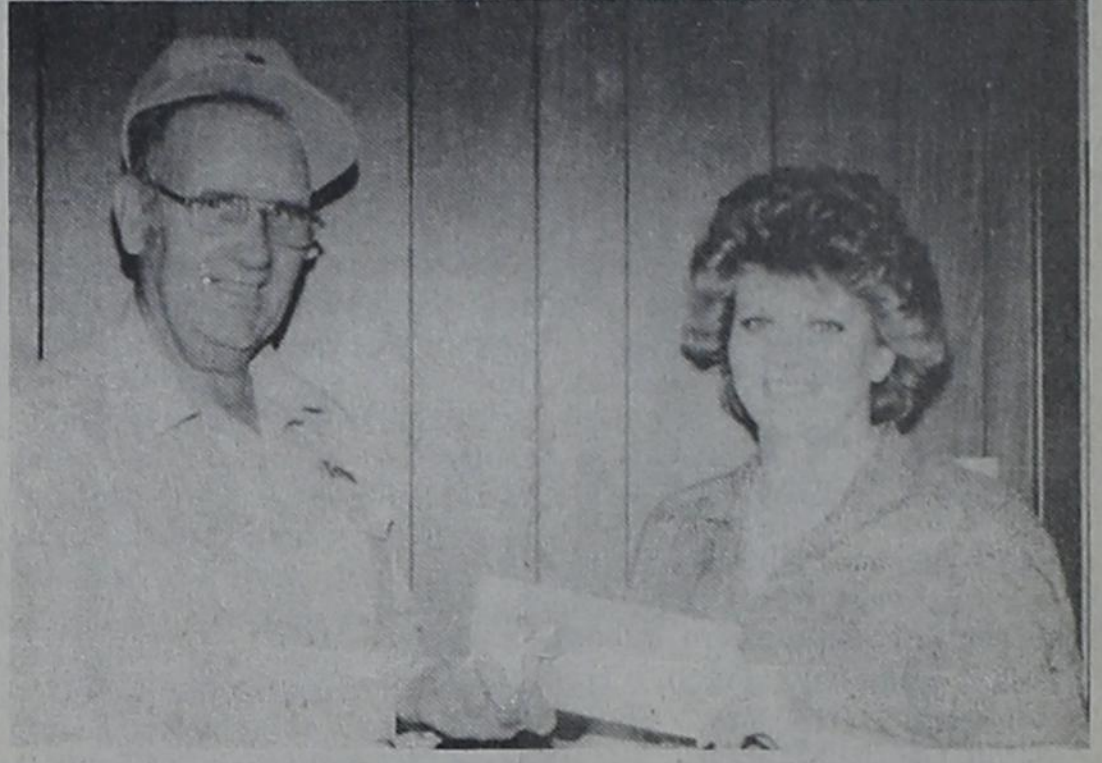
## FmHA Election June 30

Farmers in Parmer County will have an opportunity to choose one person from among two candidates running for the Farmers Home Administration county committee in the June 30 election, FmHA County Supervisor, Weldon Rainey, said this week.

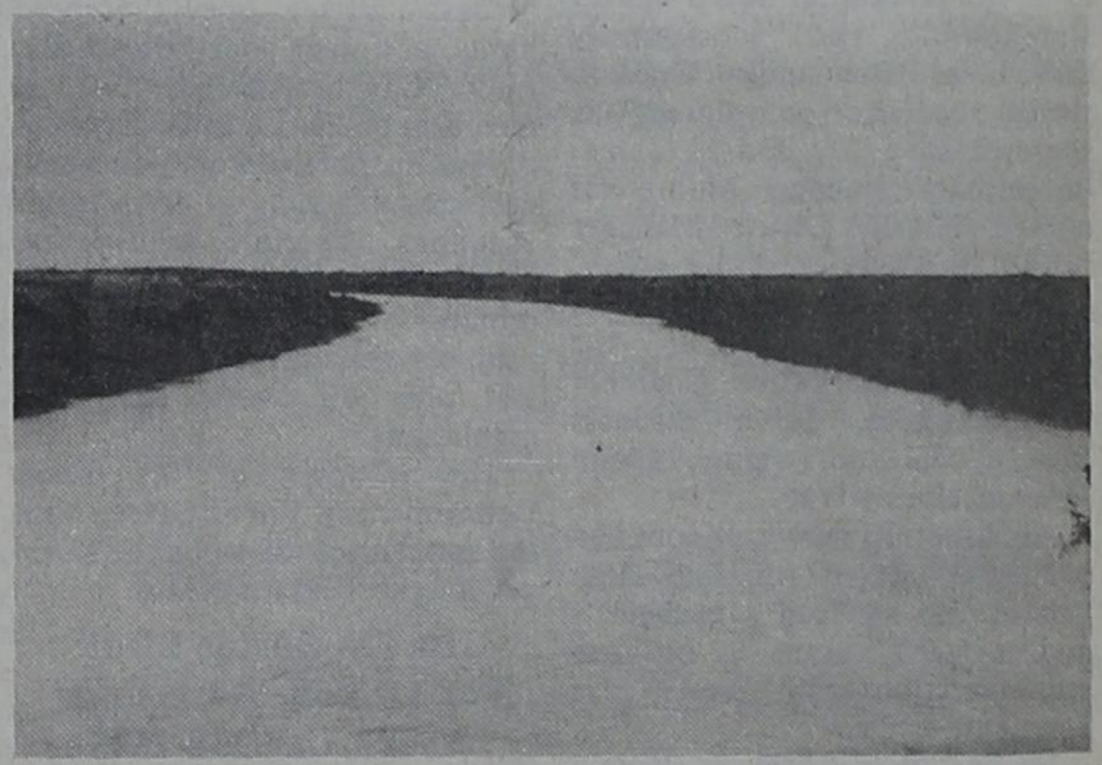
Any person who has an interest in a farm in the county as owner, tenant or sharecropper is considered a farmer and is eligible to vote, Rainey said. Spouses of eligible farmers also are considered farmers for voting eligibility.

Ballots for the election are published in the State Line Tribune, Friona Star and Bovina Blade and also are available at the FmHA county office at 207 Avenue D, Farwell, Texas. If they cannot be returned to the county office in person, ballots may be mailed in, Rainey said.

Among other duties, county committees help determine whether an applicant is eligible for a FmHA farm loan. Two of the three members are elected by county farmers, and the third is appointed by FmHA.



**RECEIVES BOND...**Doyal Green is pictured accepting a \$50 Savings Bond when he was chosen Employee of the Month by the Chamber of Commerce. Presenting the check is chamber director Lori Bales. Green is employed at Terra Chemical.



**DRAW FLOWING...**Frio Draw was running considerable water when this picture was made ten miles north of Bovina last Wednesday. Rains of up to seven inches in New Mexico caused the flooding in Parmer County.

## Myths And Facts On AIDS Virus

As the Bloodmobile will be here on Friday, the Coffee Memorial Blood Center released the following information on facts about contracting the AIDS virus:

Myth: AIDS is spread through casual contact.

Fact: No. The AIDS virus is not spread by--

\*Hugging or hand shaking with an AIDS patient or a person carrying the virus.

\*Use of bathroom facilities, such as toilets, sinks, or bathtubs. Or the use of swimming pools.

\*Sneezing, coughing, or spitting.

\*Dishes, utensils, or food handled by a person with AIDS.

\*The AIDS virus is not spread through normal daily contact at work, in school, or at home. No cases have been found where the virus has been transmitted by casual contact with AIDS patients in the home, work place or in health care environments.

Myth: People risk getting AIDS when they give blood.

Fact: A new sterile needle is used for each donor and then immediately thrown away. No one can contract AIDS, hepatitis or other infectious diseases by giving blood.

Myth: It might be safer to forego surgery or refuse transfusion than to risk getting AIDS from blood.

Fact: The threat to human life is far greater from refusing needed treatment than from the very remote chance of contracting any disease as the result of a blood transfusion. Blood is a medicine, and its use entails certain risks, just as the use of any medicine entails certain risks. But the benefits of receiving needed blood far outweigh those risks.

Myth: Because of AIDS and other diseases, the risks associated with transfusions have never been greater.

Fact: The blood supply is as safe as ever and much safer than it was just a decade ago. Thanks to advances in medical research, more ways have been found to test blood for certain diseases, to ensure that the proper blood is carefully matched to the recipient, and to minimize transfusion reactions. The fact that physicians are using blood sparingly and only when medically necessary has brought a reduction in risk from transfusion.

Myth: Because of the risk of AIDS, it is best to stay away from the blood supply system.

Fact: The only way to assure a safe and adequate blood supply is for healthy people who are not at risk for AIDS--the majority of the U.S. population--to give blood regularly. A blood shortage would endanger the lives of hundreds of thousands of people.



**FIRST WHEAT...**Leslie McCain, left, marketed the first load of wheat at Sherley Grain Company in Bovina. McCain is shown receiving his bonus check from Harry Johnson of Sherley Grain.





DOYLE MOORE

## Moore Is Panhandle Asst. Mgr.

Doyle Moore has been named assistant Panhandle Division manager for Southwestern Public Service Company (SPS). He previously served as SPS's Amarillo District Manager.

In his new position, Moore will help supervise SPS operations in the Company's Panhandle Division towns, which include Bovina.

Moore, 55, joined SPS in 1955 as a storekeeper in SPS's system warehouse. He subsequently served as Panhandle Division stores supervisor, advalorem tax representative and area-development manager. Moore was named Amarillo District Manager in 1981.

Moore's community activities include membership in the Downtown Rotary Club, Chamber of Commerce, Better Business Bureau, Salvation Army, Camp Fire and United Way.

An Amarillo native, Moore is a 1950 graduate of Amarillo High School. He received a bachelor's and master's degree in business administration from West Texas State University.

He and his wife, Doris, have a daughter, Diane.

## DPS Says Check Your Vehicles

Vacation time means fun time. With the warm weather and the green foliage in abundance, the citizens of the State of Texas will be enjoying their vacations at the many different areas that this great state has to offer. With the additional people on our streets and highways, there are additional precautions that need to be taken, also.

Before leaving on long trips, we need to take a little time to check over our vehicles. Vacations are no time for a breakdown. So, checking simple items such as tires, cooling system, battery, belts, and hoses can prevent unwanted and unnecessary breakdowns. But, nothing can spoil a vacation anymore than having an accident.

Major Vernon Cawthon, Regional Commander of the Texas Department of Public Safety stated, "The number of vehicles on Texas highways is increasing each year and unfortunately, traffic accidents are increasing, also."

The best defense against accidents is to always be a defensive driver, obey the speed limits, and wear your safety belts. Major Cawthon stated, "We, as members of the Texas Department of Public Safety want each and everyone of you to enjoy your vacations. Therefore, we urge you to always stay alert, always being mindful of the other driver, take frequent rest stops on long trips, and obey all traffic rules and regulations."

The troopers of the Texas Department of Public Safety want the summer of '88 to be the safest yet for the Texas motorist.

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HOWARD SPRAGUE

## Sprague Employed By SCS

Howard Sprague was recently hired by the Soil Conservation Service and assigned to the Friona Field Office.

Sprague was raised in Belton, Texas, where he graduated from Belton High School in 1983. He then attended Tarleton State University. He graduated from Tarleton in 1987 with a B.S. in agriculture business.

He is single and lives in the Black community. He enjoys outdoor activities such as hunting and fishing.

Sprague will be working with producers to develop Food Security Act conservation plans and assisting producers with other conservation practices or questions.

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# REFLECTIONS

....from The Bovina Blade

### 30 YEARS AGO--JUNE 18, 1958

The home of Mrs. Lillian Wheeler will be the site of the regular monthly meeting of the Bovina Widows Club Thursday. The group will gather at 11:45 a.m. for a covered dish luncheon and the afternoon will be devoted to a program. Mrs. Margaret Caldwell will be in charge of the afternoon's entertainment.

A fire Sunday afternoon about 2:45 partially burned a backyard fence behind the home of John Rea in Bovina and flamed through a pile of hay near the fence.

The Parmer County area wheat harvest is off to a sputtering start this week, amid scattered showers that halted the combines almost as soon as they started in many spots.

### 25 YEARS AGO--JUNE 19, 1963

Mrs. John V. Felps of Rocky Ford, Colorado remains in critical condition in Parmer County Community Hospital and two men are in serious condition as the result of a head-on collision of two cars near Bovina last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. D.R. Bushnell and boys and Miss Elke Steffens are vacationing at Johnson City this week.

### 20 YEARS AGO--JUNE 19, 1968

Two Bovina FFA members attended the Southwestern Public Service Co. FFA Electric Workshop in Amarillo Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of last week.

An estimated \$150 worth of dry fertilizer was ruined by vandals at Custom Farm Services over the weekend, according to City Marshall Ronald Mitchell.

Mr. and Mrs. Ferman Kelso of Alamogordo, N.M. are the parents of a baby boy. The infant weighed seven pounds, eight ounces at birth and is named Kelly Lynn.

Clifford Wayne Balanger, son of Mr. and Mrs. C.W. Balanger of Lariat, has joined the Navy.

### 15 YEARS AGO--JUNE 20, 1973

Bovina Lions Club will hold a light bulb sale tomorrow (Thursday) night when members will canvas the town.

The election of Mrs. Ernestine Minter as assistant cashier at the First State Bank of Bovina has been announced by bank president, Jack Kassahn. Mrs. Minter was elected to the new position at the June meeting of the board of directors of the bank.

Peggy Grissom, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C.W. Grissom of

### 10 YEARS AGO--JUNE 21, 1978

The wife and daughter of a former Bovina football coach are dead from injuries received in an auto-train accident last Saturday. Mrs. Norma Faye Lusk, 35, died Saturday of injuries she suffered when an Amtrak passenger train struck her car at Valentine, Texas. Her daughter, Renee, nine, died Monday of her injuries.

The man's body found June 3 in a tailwater pit near Bovina has been identified as James Videll Kaulay of Anadarko, Oklahoma, according to Sheriff Charles Lovelace.

### 5 YEARS AGO--JUNE 8, 1983

Parmer County law officers are investigating the taking of a 1976 Kenworth conventional truck from Billy Don Read at Aero Farm Chemical sometime Memorial Day weekend.

One of the oldest institutions in

Bovina, Bovina Wheat Growers, is closing its doors for good on Friday, June 10.

Patrick Warren and his travelling companion, Ron Mirafior, passed through Bovina on Monday hiking all the way from Los Angeles to Philadelphia to promote awareness of epilepsy.

Jeri Ware of Maud, Texas and former Bovina resident, received her bachelor of science degree in physical therapy from the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio.

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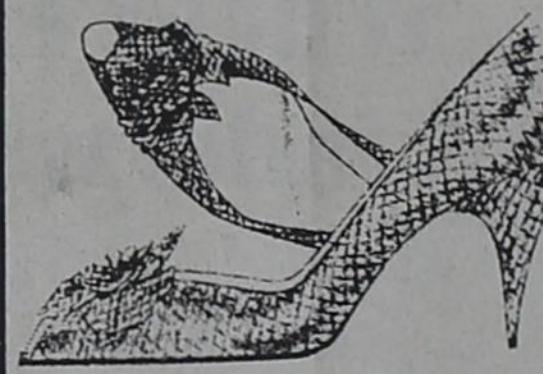
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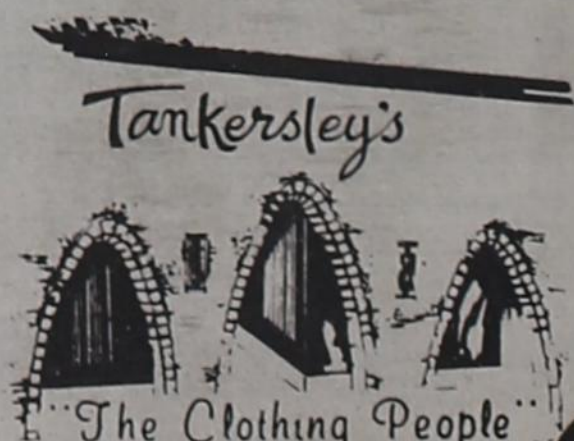
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## NOTICE TO PATIENTS:

Pursuant to prior arrangements with the office of Dr. Bruce Purdy in Muleshoe, Texas, this notice reconfirms the prior transfer of custodial rights to Dr. Bruce Purdy of the medical records of the practice of Dr. Michael Woollends at Bovina Medical Clinic.

**Dr. Michael J. Woollends**



# Article Describes Attempted Prison Escape In Mexico

*Editor's Note: The following is part of a five page article that was published in the True West magazine and written by Montie Howell. Montie said family members at a family reunion held at Grange, Texas, helped to sort material used. The story is about her great-great-grandfather, Milvern Harrell.*

While being held at Presidio del Rio Grande by Woll, Milvern Harrell took part in a daring but unsuccessful escape attempt. Milvern, Norman Woods, John McCrady, and W.D. Patterson were told by a Frenchman that the

Rio Grande was low at that time and could be crossed very easily. On a moonlit night, the four men slipped out of the house where they were being held and ran toward the river. Woods fell on the rock-covered ground and was recaptured. Although the river was only a mile or two away, the men ran about ten miles up the river bank to escape detection.

At daylight, Patterson, the oldest of the three men, found a narrow place to cross. They headed toward a sandbar in the middle of the river. When Patterson stepped off the sandbar, he was in deep water. The men started swimming for the Texas side.

The water was cold and the men were weak from their confinement. After swimming only a short distance, McCrady called to the others that he could not go on and sank beneath the water. Patterson and Milvern encountered a swift current near the Texas bank and were carried rapidly downstream. Soon Patterson's strength also gave out. Before disappearing under water, he called to Milvern to go on. Milvern was tired and helpless in the current. He would have drowned if he had not been washed up onto a rock. Fear of the current, the horror of his companions' drownings, and the disappointment of the failed escape must have tortured young Milvern.

By then, sleet was falling, and Milvern knew he could not reach the Texas side of the Rio Grande. He swam back to the Mexican side of the river, where he ran up and down the beach to get warm. He started walking to a house in the distance, where he found a Mexican trader that he had met in San Antonio. His hopes must have soared. The kind trader took him in and warmed and fed him. Unfortunately, the Mexican soldiers found Milvern by the middle of the day. The weather and the depth of the river combined with a swift current had thwarted the bold escape.

Milvern, Norman, and the other prisoners were marched to Saltillo, Mexico, where the group joined the ill-fated Mier prisoners. On February 11, about two hundred men overpowered the guards and escaped with their guns and horses. Although Milvern helped overpower the guards, he did not leave with the other prisoners

because his uncle could not travel and begged him not to leave him alone; Norman Woods' poor health may have saved their lives. The prisoners were recaptured and forced to draw lots—white and black beans. The seventeen men who drew black beans were executed.

The way to Perote Castle, a prison in Mexico, was long and arduous. After the group left Saltillo, they traveled through Hacienda Salado, San Luis Potosi, and Mexico City before reaching Perote Castle northwest of Vera Cruz. The suffering of the men was great. They were ill-clothed and shod; some had been wounded; most made the journey on foot; the country was rough; and the weather varied from extreme hot to extreme cold.

Milvern and Norman arrived at Perote Castle on Milvern's eighteenth birthday, March 24, 1843. While he was at Perote, the soldiers hauled stone from the mountains; Milvern and others were used as draught animals to pull the wagons loaded with stone. They acted foolish and wasted as much time as possible in order to harass the guards. It was great fun until the guards severely beat some of them.

Milvern's stay in prison was not easy, but he maintained a good attitude toward his captors. Years later, at age eighty-two, he would reflect, "I think the Mexicans were very good to their prisoners. The ill-treatment was usually for bad conduct. Those that behaved themselves were treated fairly well." His attitude was a measure of the man. This position is remarkable in light of the fact that Norman Woods died of a fever in December 1843, only four months before he would have gone home with Milvern. It would have been easy for a young man to become bitter.

Milvern Harrell was released from prison on March 24, 1844, his nineteenth birthday. He returned to Texas and became a prominent and respected man in his community. In later years, Milvern became a Texas Ranger. During the Civil War, he went with Terry's Rangers to Kentucky.

Milvern died on August 10, 1910, in Waelder, Texas, where he had lived for many years. He had a large family with many descendants. The Woods, Harrell

and Cottle families meet in the La Grange area each year on the second weekend in October once again to discuss and celebrate their ancestors, Milvern Harrell, Zadock Woods, and his sons Norman and Gonzalvo.

Although Norman was buried in the moat at Perote Castle, his name appears on the granite tomb, along with Zadock Woods', at Monument Hill in La Grange. His brother Gonzalvo, faithfully kept his promise to Norman about taking care of his family. Gon married Jane Boyd Woods on October 30, 1844. For many years Gon farmed in Fayette and DeWitt counties. His farming was devastated by the Civil War, but he did not have long to worry about those problems. While serving as a member of a posse on October 17, 1869, Gon was shot to death from ambush by an outlaw. He was fifty-three years old.

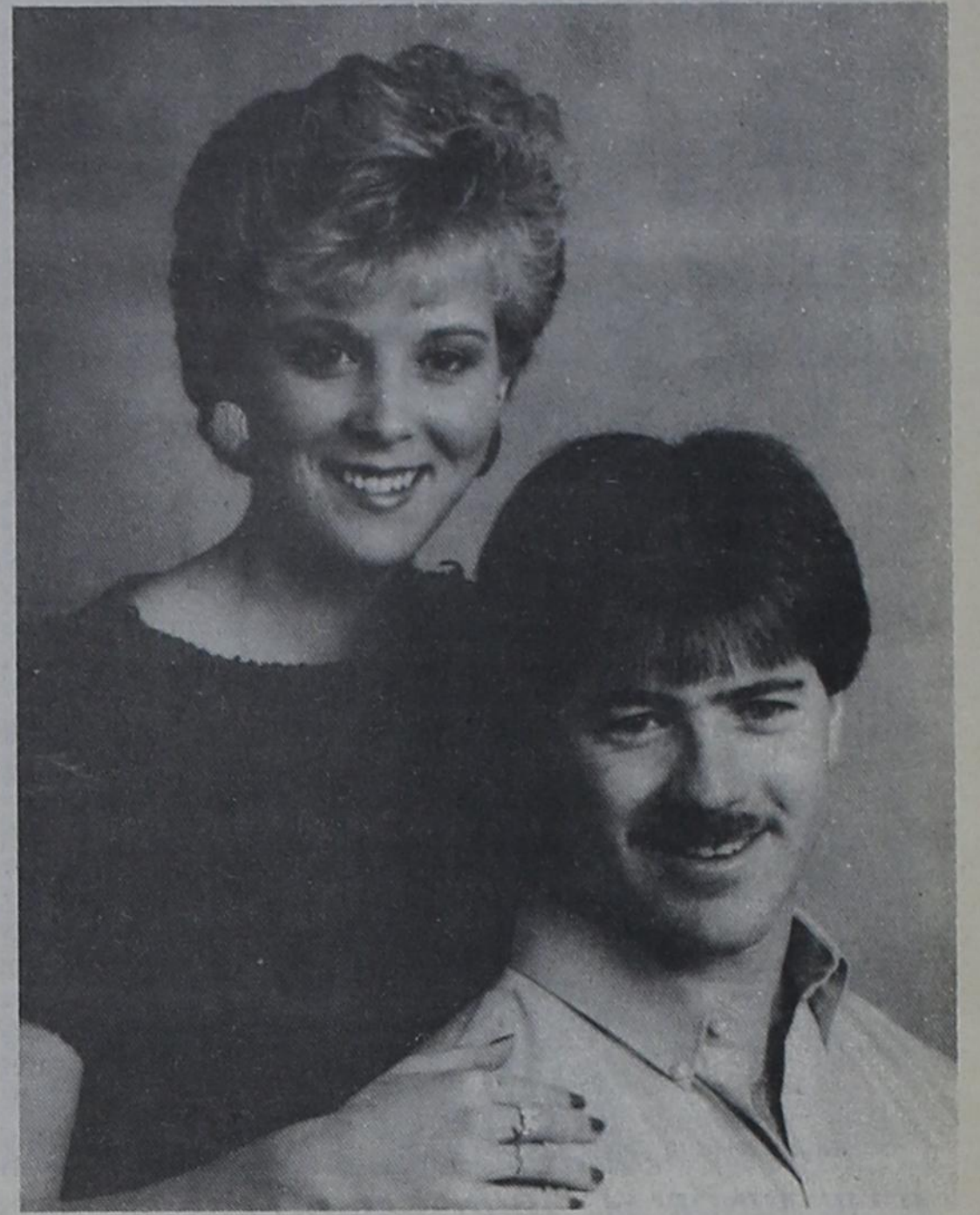
John W. Pendleton left a young wife, Amanda Harrell Pendleton, and several small children. Joseph Robinson later married Elizabeth Turnage. He died in 1865 and is buried at Woods' Prairie Cemetery at West Point.

Today all that remains to remind Texans of the Dawson Massacre is a historical marker. Just off Highway 35 on Rittiman Road in San Antonio, the marker is lost between service station advertising signs in a rapidly growing business district. Few people realize the importance of the events commemorated by the marker.

History is shaped by ordinary men living in extraordinary times. The events in which the Woods clan participated seem extraordinary today, but they were routine episodes in the lives of Texas pioneers. The sacrifices of the Woods clan and the men of the Dawson Brigade cannot be measured in words but only by the yardstick of history.

## SOURCES

This article is based on early newspaper accounts of the Woods family and their involvement in the Dawson Massacre. Milvern Harrell's reminiscences in the Dallas Morning News were especially useful as was L.U. Spellman's "The Zadock Woods Family," a paper read to the San Antonio Chapter of the Texas State Historical Society, 17 September 1947.



**DANA DEON MORRIS and JOE PAT WRIGHT....Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Morris of Alamogordo, New Mexico and Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Wright of Bovina announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their children, Dana Deon and Joe Pat. The couple will exchange wedding vows Saturday, August 6 at 3 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Bovina and will be followed by a reception. She is employed at the Citizens Bank in Clovis and Wright will receive his degree this fall from West Texas State University in Canyon. He plans to coach and teach. All friends and relatives of the couple are invited to attend and no local invitations will be sent.**

## Society Offers Quilt

St. Ann's Society of Bovina has completed their annual quilt project with the Double Irish Chain design. Fashionable colors of blue and navy prints were combined with an off-white print background and pink hearts.

This colorful, queen-sized quilt will be given away Sunday, November 6 at the annual Turkey Dinner at St. Ann's Church in Bovina.

The quilt was pieced together by Ettie Jesko of Lazbuddie, using the new strip piece method. The quilting was done by St. Ann's Society.

Donations of \$1.00 per ticket may be obtained from any member of St. Ann's Society. If you wish to buy a ticket and cannot attend the

dinner, call any member of the Society or the chairperson.

## Hereford Sets Jubilee

The 1988 Hereford Town and Country Jubilee is set for August 7-13, it was announced this week.

This year's week-long events will include the YMCA 10-K Run, the National All-Girls Rodeo, a parade, Jubilee Junction in Dameron Park, and the Jubilee of Arts on Friday and Saturday.

Booths are available for the latter event, and to reserve a booth, participants may write the Jubilee of Arts, Box 162, Hereford, Texas, 79045.

## School Corner

By BOB OWEN

The Bovina Board of Education met in regular session on June 13. In routine business, the board paid the monthly bills and read the minutes of the last meeting session and several special meetings.

The special meetings were held to interview prospective ag teacher applicants. The board hired Arthur Hunter from Midland to be the vo-ag teacher for 1988-89.

In other business, Larry Mitchell was named the voting delegate to the Texas Association of School Boards Delegate Assembly and Larry Hodnett was named as the alternate.

The board also voted to take no action on the salaries of teachers who are on step ten, and accepted the resignation of Bill Talley.

The month of June has been very busy for the board in that they are considering bids on several projects for the school.

The next regular meeting of the board will be July 11 at 8 p.m.

A special session will be held on July 5 to consider bids on the heating and air conditioning project at the big school.

If you have any areas of concern that you think needs to come to the attention of the board, please contact any board member or the superintendent.

Summer time, even in a normal year, is a very busy time around a school. The clean-up and repair schedule gets very long sometime. It is even busier this summer because of the proposed projects that are being considered.



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- Avoid using electrical tools like lawn mowers or hedge clippers when grass and leaves are wet.
- Be careful when digging. Call SPS to find out if there are any buried electrical lines in the area.
- Electrical cords should not be spliced or taped. Repair by shortening them or replace them entirely.
- Beware of exposed wires.
- Don't touch portable appliances (coffee makers, radios, hair dryers, etc.) with wet hands or while standing or sitting in water.
- Don't post signs on utility poles. A lineman hitting a nail with his cleat could slip and fall. Also, nails can snag protective gloves and destroy their insulation value.

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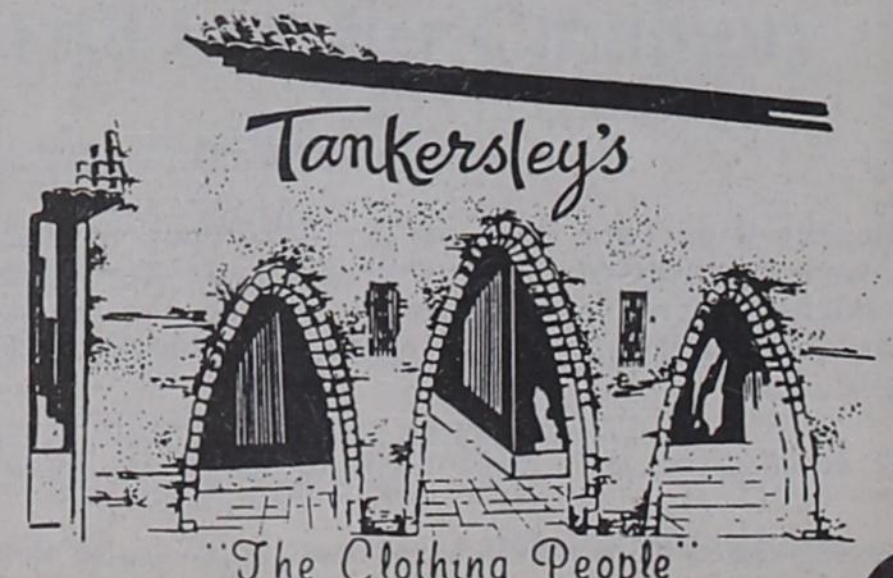
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Monday, June 20, 8:00 A.M.







**JULIE MINOR and JOHN CALDWELL....Mr. and Mrs. Tom Caldwell and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Minor of Plainfield, New Jersey announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their children, John and Julie. The couple will exchange wedding vows September 11 at 3:30 p.m. in Rockport, Massachusetts. The bride-elect is a graduate of Dartmouth College and the Yale School of Architecture. She is presently employed with Graham Gund Architecture Firm in Boston. The prospective bridegroom is employed with Spaulding & Sly Construction and Brokerage, as vice president of national accounts and of the New England Brokerage Division.**

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**Baby Shower To Fete Local Twins**

Eryn Janell and Micah Marlin, twins of Mike and Kristi Grissom, will be honored with a baby shower on Saturday, June 25, from 3-4:30 p.m. at the First Bank Community Room.

Hostesses are Sue Fowler, Sandra Cockerham, Charolette Cockerham, Barbara Cockerham, Sandra Ware, Donna Ware, Aletha Wilson, Brenda Wilson, Arlene McCallum, Donna Mitchell, Tammy Willard and Juanda Murphy.



**Scooter's Scoops**

By Scooter Russell



Bill and Verna Marie Strawn visited recently in Bovina with their parents, Norvel and Doris Strawn and Vernon and Ellen Estes. They spent the weekend and returned to their home in Spearman Sunday afternoon.

Laqueta Garner had a delightful weekend in Plainview visiting with three friends she grew up with. She said they all lived on the same block for years.

They were Nelia Garner of California, Joann Montgomery of Midland and Carla Bryan of Andrews. While there, the ladies gave Laqueta a birthday party at the home of Leora Garner, Laqueta's mother-in-law. Also present were her mother, Bernice Chaney, her daughter, Donell of Lubbock, and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Neis.

Lester and Flossie Rhinehart have been fishing several times recently at Ute Lake. Flossie said the fishing wasn't too good, but they had a good time.

Their daughter and granddaughter, Sandra and Kenda, were visiting for a couple of weeks then went on to Dallas where they attended a tole painting convention.

Flossie also said Sandra had published her fourth book, "My Beary Own Fantasy." This book is on tole painting and can be purchased at craft stores or you can purchase one from Flossie for \$9.20.

Barbara Hughes was released from the Clovis High Plains Hospital after spending one week and two days there. She had a blood clot in her leg that had to be dissolved. She said it was very painful, but she is fine now and glad to be home.

Jack and Ona Patterson are having a wonderful time visiting with Jack's cousin, Birdie Graves, and his two sisters, Mae and Polly Dunn, all from Georgia.

I visited with Birdie on the phone and she said it was her first visit to Texas and she loved it! She said the air was so nice to breathe here, because in Georgia it is so humid. She also has been having

fun riding the combine which was a novelty. Ona said they were driving out to see the cactus in bloom today and next week they would be taking their guests to see the production of "Texas" at Palo Duro Canyon State Park in Canyon.

Joe Harris is getting along fine after returning home from having three by-passes when he had open heart surgery in Amarillo. He is going back to the doctor this week for a checkup.

T-Bone is also going back for a checkup this week after being home several days following surgery on his lung.

Talked with Nita Dale and she said her dad, Otis Moore, was released from the hospital, but was not out of the woods yet. He had gall bladder surgery, which was the seventh major surgery that he has undergone.

Moore had gangrene all in his abdominal area and even into his liver. Nita said the doctor told them he had used the twenty-five years of knowledge that he had to save his life. Otis is 77 years old and lives at Whiteface. Anyway, things are looking good this week and hopefully it will continue to get better for him.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Melcer and sons of Houston were in Bovina over the weekend visiting

**July Shower To Fete Bride-Elect**

Julie Minor, bride-elect of John Caldwell, will be honored with a bridal shower on Saturday, July 9 from 3-4:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Thomas Rhodes, 910 Avenue K.

Hostesses for the occasion are Mrs. Troy Christian, Mrs. A.M. Wilson, Mrs. Donald Christian, Mrs. Robert Wilson, Mrs. Oakley Stevenson, Mrs. Vernon Willard, Mrs. Billy Whitecotton, Mrs. Grady Sorley, Mrs. Leon Ware and Mrs. Thomas Rhodes.

Selections are at Kirkpatrick's, Bovina; Twin Oaks, Farwell; and Stanley's in Clovis.

with their friends, Carolyn and Prentes Pruitt and their family.

Edna Woelfel called to let us know she was back home in Bovina. She has been in Chicago with her daughter for several months following an illness, but said she is much better and glad to be home.

Jim and I went to the mountains last week and stayed at our trailer in the pretty Cimarron Canyons. It was beautiful there, rained and even hailed two days. We had a good time and the fishing was good. Went up on Tuesday and came home Friday.

Wendol Christian, his wife Louise, and Durward Bell and his wife Fern went to Austin and attended the Texas Democratic

Convention June 17, 18 and 19. Wendol was elected on the Resolutions Committee representing our 31st Senatorial District.

Wendol said they enjoyed the experience and they could definitely testify that the system works. They were very much impressed with Jackson. They heard all the speakers during those three days at the convention.

SMILE: A complaining diner was driving the waiter crazy with his constant demands. "Why is it," he rasped, "that I never get what I ask for in this place?" "Perhaps, sir," replied the waiter, "it is because we are too polite."

Thanks for your help on Scoops and news...Have a good one... Scooter.

**Entertainment To Benefit Facility**

"Howard and the Fine Sisters" are a professional group from Dallas, who will present an evening of songs and skits at the Farwell High School auditorium Thursday, June 30 at 8 p.m.

The show is sponsored by the Farwell Convalescent Center Auxiliary to benefit the convalescent center. Proceeds will go toward the purchase of a new whirlpool tub and chair lift.

Royce Cooper, grandson of Lawrence and Mildred Cooper and Mr. and Mrs. A.N. Walls of Farwell, his wife, Greta, Donna Burleson and Joan Jenkins comprise the group.

They teach music and drama at the Dallas Theater Center. During the summer, they do engagements for summer resorts, etc. They have been performing professionally for eight years.

Tickets will cost adults \$4.00 in advance or \$5.00 at the door. Children under 12 will be charged \$2.00.

The show is 90 minutes long, wholesome family entertainment, specializing in the Big Band era sounds of the Andrews Sisters, the 50's sounds of the McGuire Sisters

and the rocking sounds of the girl groups of the 60's, with a little country and western thrown in for flavor. Costumes and skits enhance the show.

**McClaran On ACU Honor Roll**

Stephen McClaran, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kent McClaran of Bovina, is one of 676 Abilene Christian University students listed on the Dean's Honor Roll for the spring 1988 semester.

To be listed on the honor roll, a student must be enrolled for a grade in at least 12 semester hours and earn a 3.25 grade point average or higher.

ACU is the fourth largest private university in the Southwest, offering degrees in more than 80 fields through its five undergraduate colleges, Graduate School and School of Nursing. It is the largest university affiliated with the Churches of Christ.

**ELECTION NOTICE**

The Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) County Committee election this year will be held on June 30, 1988. The ballot below must be filled out, detached and mailed and received or returned in person to Parmer County Office 207 Ave. D., Farwell, Texas, P. O. Box 196, 79325 not later than June 30, 1988. If you do not vote in person you should mail your ballot inside a blank envelope marked ballot to ensure a secret ballot. This blank envelope should be placed inside the envelope you use to mail your ballot. Your name and address must be legible on the outer envelope. Failure to provide this information will render your ballot invalid. Only one ballot may be voted in person or by mail by any voter. Votes in envelopes containing more than one absentee ballot will not be counted. Ballots and envelopes may also be obtained from your local FmHA Office.

The slate of nominees for Parmer County Committee are listed in the ballot below. The qualifications of persons voting are described in the "Voter Certification Statement." For further information regarding voting and voter eligibility, see the County Office listed above. FmHA elections are open to all eligible voters without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, age, political affiliation, marital status, sex, and/or handicap.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
FARMERS HOME ADMINISTRATION  
BALLOT FOR COUNTY COMMITTEE MEMBER(S)

State Texas County Parmer

\*Candidate Rickey L. Rector

K. Kevin Hall

Please detach this notice before voting ballot

**VOTER CERTIFICATION STATEMENT**

Subpart W of Part 2054 of Title 7, Code of Federal Regulations requires that all voters for FmHA county or area committee elections meet the following eligibility requirements: (a) be farmers or spouses of farmers; and (b) have their principal farming operation within the county or area for which the election is being held.

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**LEGAL NOTICE**

NOTIFICATION and \$75.

This notice is being furnished as required of all public water systems in the United States by the Environmental Protection Agency in 40 CFR 141.34.

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) sets drinking water standards and has determined that lead is a health concern at certain levels of exposure. There is currently a standard of 0.050 parts per million (ppm). Based on new health information, EPA is likely to lower this standard significantly. Bovina's water tests less than 0.02 ppm.

Part of the purpose of this notice is to inform you of the potential adverse health effects of lead. This is being done even though your water may not be in violation of the current standard.

EPA and others are concerned about lead in drinking water. Too much lead in the human body can cause serious damage to the brain, kidneys, nervous system, and red blood cells. The greatest risk, even with short-term exposure, is to young children and pregnant women.

Lead levels in your drinking water are likely to be highest:

- if your home or water system has lead pipes or
- if you have copper pipes with lead solder, and
- if the home is less than five years old, or
- if you have soft or acidic water, or
- if water sits in the pipes for several hours.

Bovina's water is well below acceptable limits for lead. However, tap water may contain higher levels of lead leached from pipes in your home. Some home water treatment devices make water more corrosive and thus can increase the amount of lead leached from your pipes.

Dissolved lead cannot be seen in water. Testing by a qualified private laboratory using the EPA approved method is the only way to determine if your water has high levels of lead. The EPA estimates that a test should cost between \$20

If your drinking water is determined to have high levels of lead, or if you suspect lead contamination, you can do the following to minimize exposure.

1. Flush each cold water faucet until the water is as cold as it gets before using the water from this faucet to drink or for cooking. This is especially important if the water has set in the pipes for several hours. Please remember other household water use such as toilets, bathing, and laundry will flush water thru the pipes and reduce the time the tap should be flushed.

2. Do not use hot tap water for drinking or cooking. Hot water dissolves lead faster than cold water. Especially avoid using hot tap water to make baby formula. If hot water must be used for drinking or cooking, use cold water after flushing the tap and heat.

3. Make certain only materials conforming to the federal law regarding lead content are used for any plumbing repairs or new plumbing work in your home.

If the City becomes aware of any source of lead contamination within the City's distribution system, corrective measures will be taken.

There are other methods which may be used to reduce the risk of lead in water used for consumption.

For more information, contact one of the following:  
 Bi City-County Health Department  
 806-371-1125  
 Texas Department of Health  
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**CARD OF THANKS**  
 A sincere "Thanks" to the wonderful people of Bovina--you are the greatest. Thanks for the cards, food, visits, flowers, prayers, calls and concern during and following T-Bone's surgery. How could we lose with friends like we have in Bovina? Thanks again from the bottom of our hearts.  
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 Wednesday Evening Prayer

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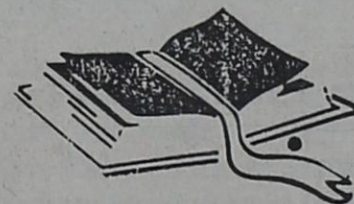
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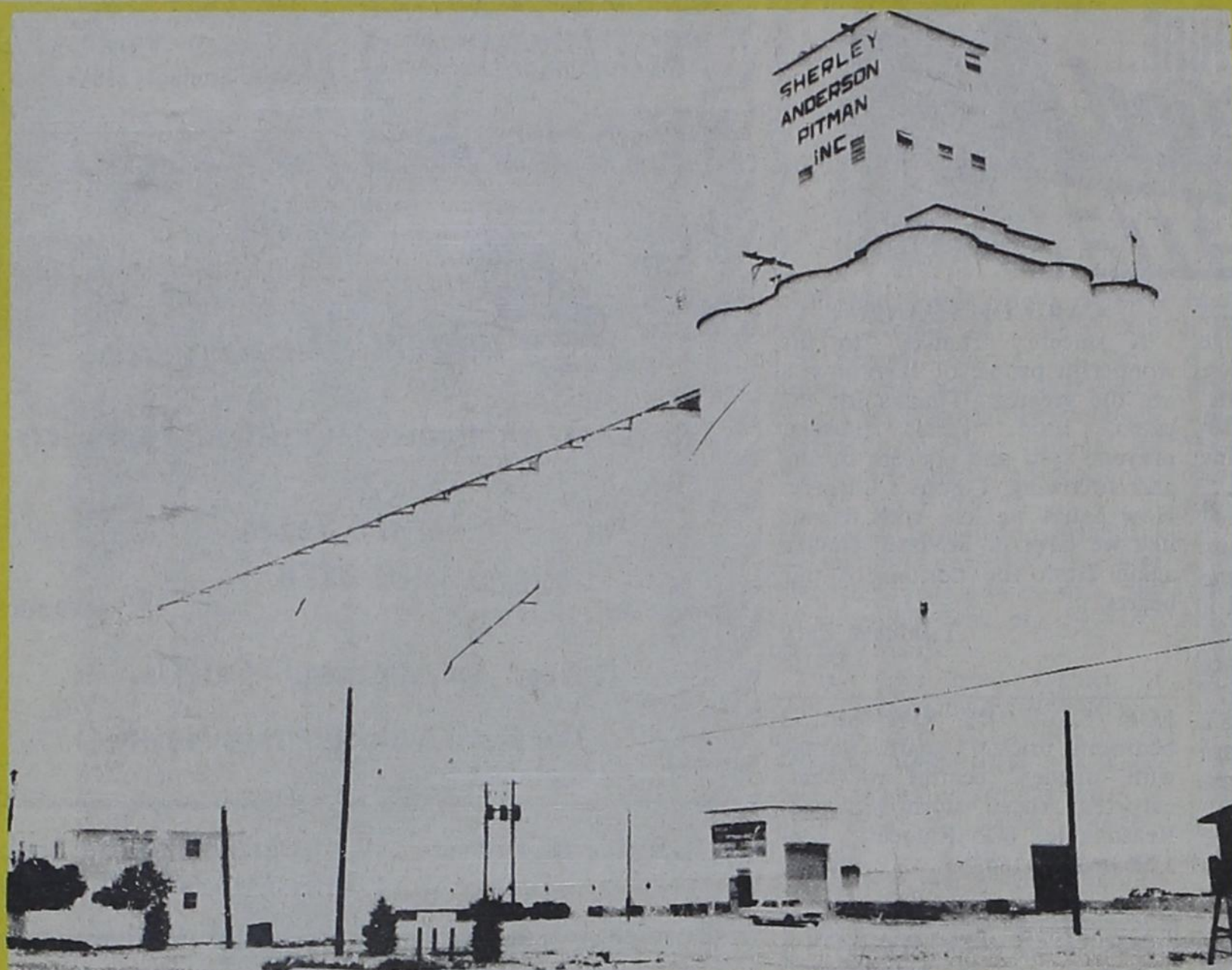
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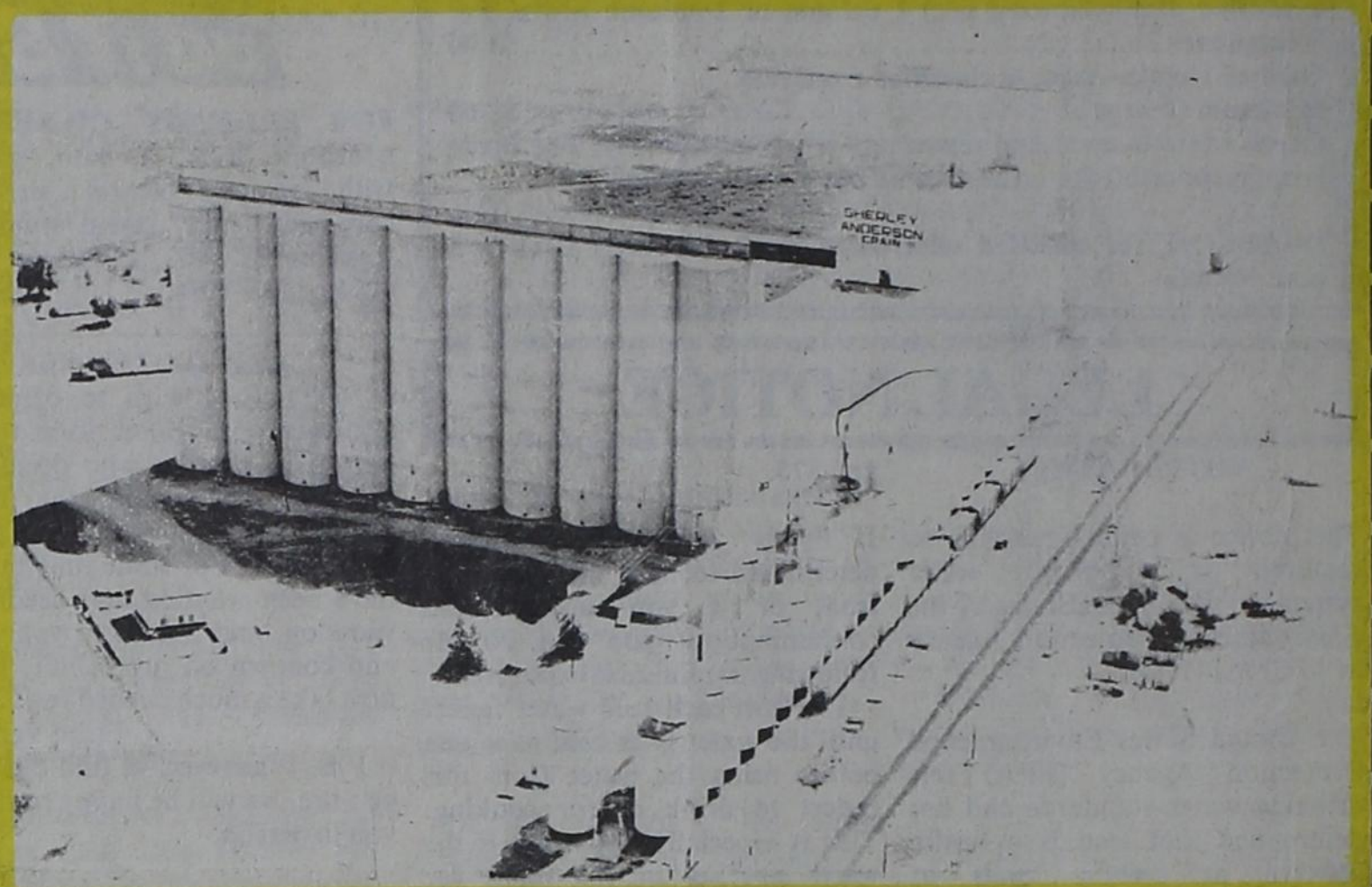
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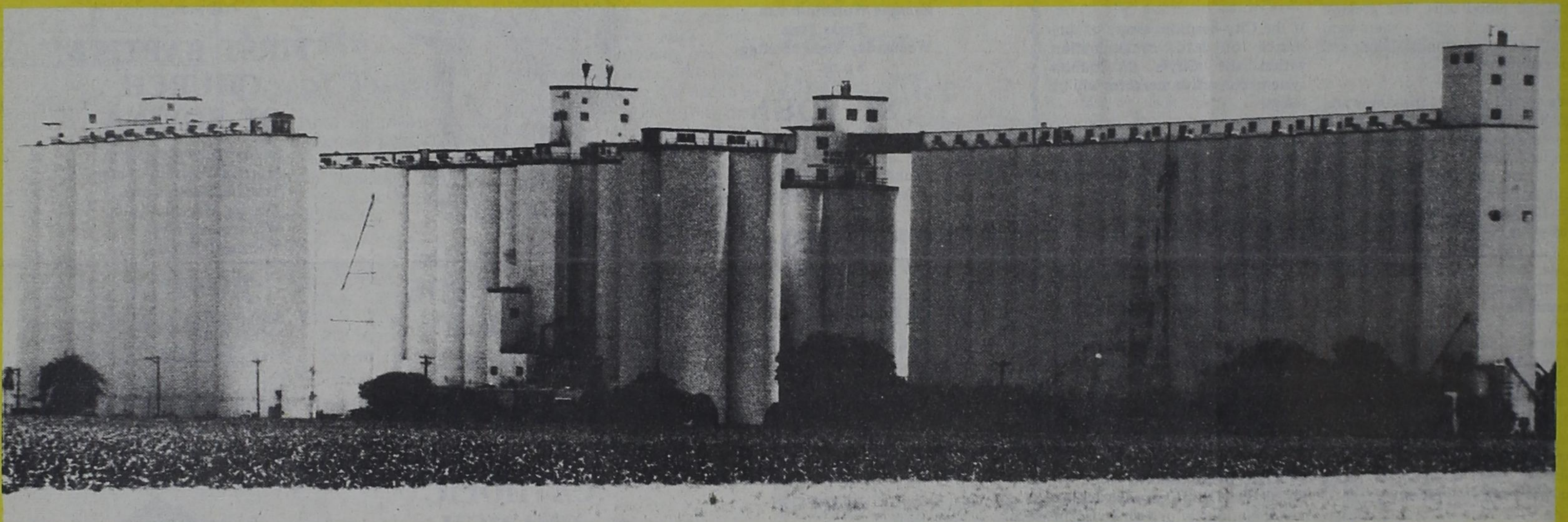
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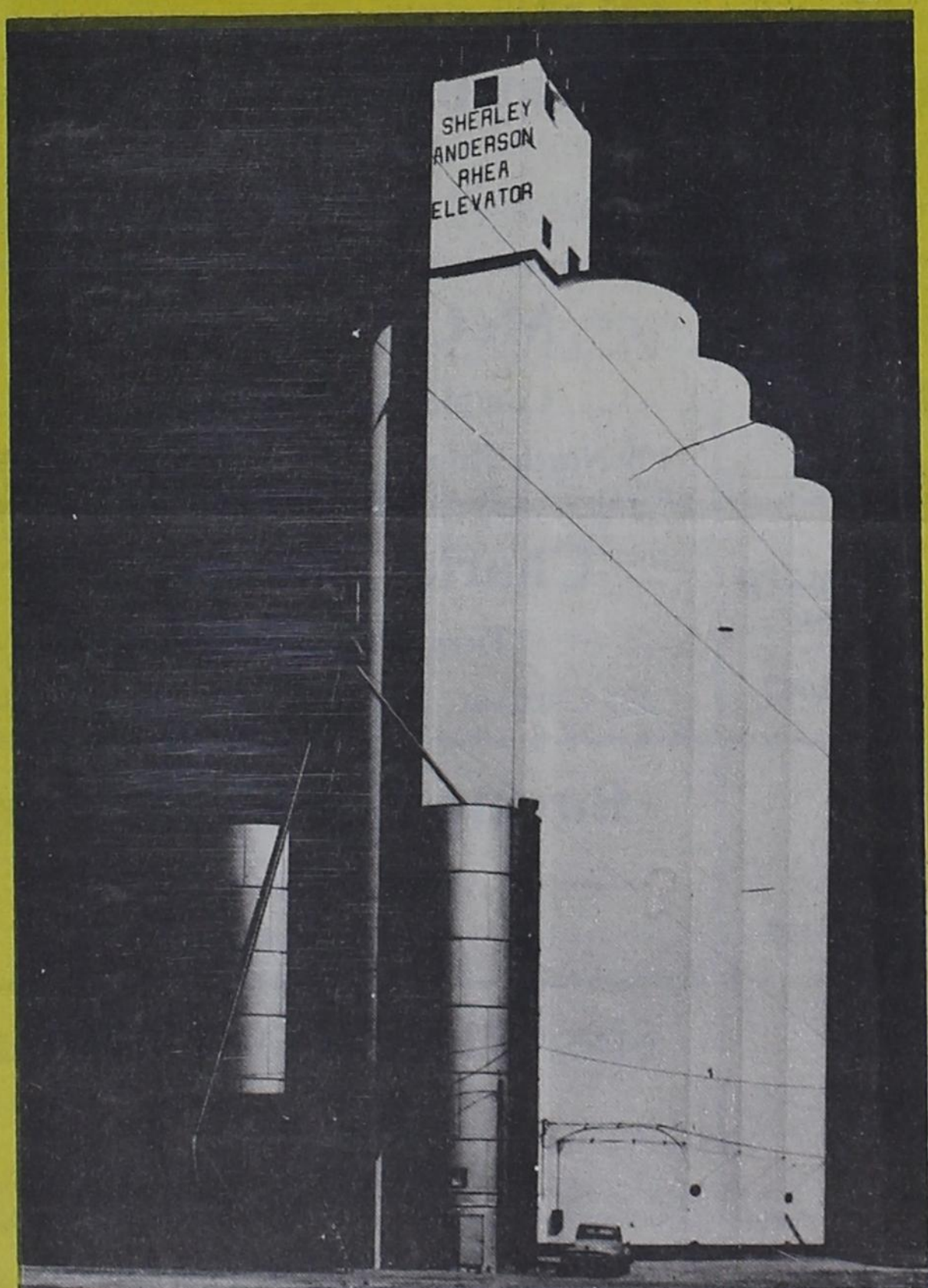


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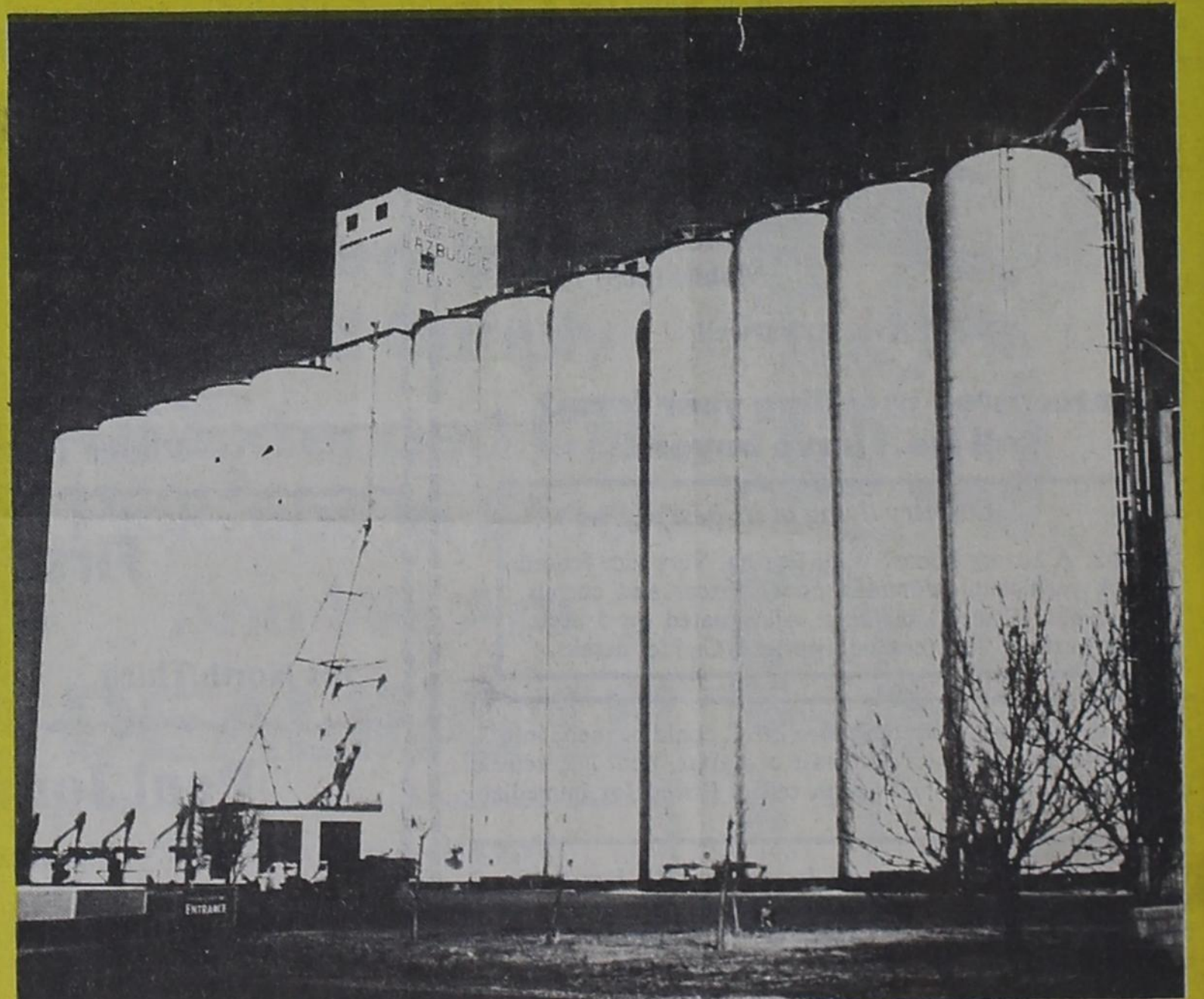
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