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1972 -- Diversification Of Interesting Events

WHITTLIN'

By DOLPH MOTEN

Possum Richards has come up with the understatement, so far, in '73.

He says he noticed there were some football games on television over the weekend and Monday.

One of those games, the Dallas Cowboys' encounter with the Washington Redskins Sunday afternoon which Washington won with going-away ease much to the sorrow of the Texas team's fans, and that includes just about everybody hereabouts, left Vernon Estes wondering.

"If the Cowboys weren't going to play, why'd they go up there to the game?" he asked.

The Redskins have a good team. It was no disgrace for the Cowboys to lose to them. Maybe the Cowboys should have put more points on the scoreboard and made the game less one-sided, but...

A lot of good teams have lost to Washington, even if their best-known fan is our Republican president. And it sez here the Redskins will win one more this year. That will be in the Super Bowl in Los Angeles over the heretofore undefeated Miami Dolphins.

The Dallas professional football team, which is the favorite of nearly everybody in the Great Southwest, it seems, didn't do as well as it did last year when it won the Super Bowl, but this was still a good year.

The Cowboys turned out to be one of the four best teams in the National Football League. Fans of several other franchises would be happy if their teams could do as well.

Cowboy fans we know would have been some happier had their team done some better Sunday, too.

However, Dallas followers are spoiled by success to some extent. The C'Boys have been in the playoffs for the past seven consecutive years, we read somewhere. That's an enviable record.

Anything short of a Super Bowl victory, and Dallas fans feel like it was a bad year. 'Tain't necessarily so.

The amount of sales tax for City of Bovina for the third quarter of last year was up over the same period of '71, indicating that retail sales inside the corporate limits of this town are improved over a year ago.

The city's check from the state for the third three months of '72 was \$3244.66 as compared with \$2877.96 for the same period a year earlier.

Not bad for a small town and even more important, it's on the upswing.

That's always encouraging. The city sales tax, which amounts to one per cent, and the recently enacted revenue sharing program of the federal government give definite boosts to municipal governments.

Financial difficulties will continue to exist to some extent, no doubt, and we don't mean to imply that municipalities are overrun with loose money, but they're now doing better from a monetary standpoint than they were before these two fund-increasers went into effect. This money belongs, needless to say, to the people who pay it, and it can be of great benefit when it is used to provide better and additional services to these same people.

Much has been written in way of criticism of the revenue sharing program. Maybe some of it is justifiable. However, it's the opinion here that it's better to have our tax money sent back here to be spent locally by people elected by citizens of this community than to have a federal bureau in Washington spending it for us.

Besides, that federal bureau (Continued on Page 2)

The year 1972 may be remembered as the one in which the price of grain sorghum, the area's principal crop, took a turn upward during the harvest season. The price of milo reached the \$2.80 per hundredweight mark before the harvesting season was completed up some 60 or 65 cents from where it was when the combining season began.

At the same time 1972 is remembered for that price increase, it will likely also be recalled as a year when the weather handicapped harvesting operations, for cotton as well as grain sorghum. Wet weather during the fall and normal harvesting time delayed the harvest time and time again. The unseasonal weather consisted of rain and unusually early snow and lower than normal temperatures.

The weather-delayed harvest possibly aided in the price increase for the grain sorghum since there wasn't sufficient immediate supply to meet the expected demand of potential users of the crop.

While the weather for stripping of cotton was just as bad and maybe worse than for the harvesting of milo, cotton didn't enjoy the strength in the marketplace that grain sorghum did.

A depressed cotton market coupled with the harvest delay made farmers looking to 1973 to be a "cotton year," long overdue in Parmer County.

Last year saw a new telephone system installed for Bovina, bringing better service and the addition of direct distance dialing. An increase in telephone rates was also asked for by General Telephone Co. during the year, but the higher rates won't go into effect until February of 1973.

Folded into the pages of history Sunday night, 1972 offered an interesting diversification of events. Following is a list of month-by-month happenings during the period:

JANUARY

Bob Johnson of the Oklahoma Lane Community was the Parmer County winner in the "longest pheasant tallfeather" contest following the nine-day pheasant season in December of 1971.

A five-year construction and improvement program envisioning investments of over \$144 million for this region was announced by officials of Southwestern Public Service Co.

Lawrence P. Starr, 76, a former Bovina resident died in Clovis.

A cold wave, the worst of the winter, moved into the Bovina area and sent temperatures plunging to near zero and was accompanied by blowing snow.

Shannon Davis and Ken Jamerson were named to the All-South Plains Football team with Hugh Rogers drawing an honorable mention.

Davis was also named to the 1971 Texas Sports Writers Association All-State Class A team at a defensive lineman position.

Dedication and open house at St. Ann's Catholic Church's new building was held the third week in January.

Deposits at First State Bank of Bovina reached an all-time high, totaling \$4,230,141.22.

Building permits in Bovina during 1971 totaled \$325,800, down considerably from the \$710,480 recorded in 1970, the highest in Bovina's history. However, the 1971 total was the third highest since 1962.

Twyla Hutto and Shannon Davis were named Basketball Queen and King of Bovina High School.

Open house was scheduled in

Bovina's Eastview Addition by the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Mrs. Weldon (Grace) Dane, 51, of the Pleasant Hill Community died following a lengthy illness.

Plans for Bovina's proposed community center-park-swimming pool complex were altered by the city council. Total cost of the project, after additions were made to the community center by government agencies, was prohibitive, council members decided.

FEBRUARY

Over \$1000 worth of stolen

drugs and narcotics were recovered by Parmer County and Clovis law officials with the arrest of Ronnie Wines of Bovina at a Clovis motel.

Charlie C. Steelman, 68, a long-time resident of Bovina died at West Texas Hospital in

Lubbock following a lengthy illness.

A new fire and other emergency warning siren was installed on Eighth Street by members of the Bovina Volunteer Fire Department. The new siren would be used in connection

with the present siren located on the water tower on North Street.

Kim Langer was named to the All-Regional Band that performed in concert at Lubbock.

Miss Langer, drum major of Bovina Mustang Band, was in the clarinet section, Mike Dixon was

named alternate in the tenor saxophone section.

Members of the Senior Class of 1972 were honored with a banquet hosted by women of First Baptist Church.

Gall Dixon, Jan Kassahn, Rhonda Rhodes, Patti Mills, Terri Willard, Christi Trimble, Mike Ware, Terry Sherrill, Heidi Corn and Danny Parsons were installed in the National Honor Society at Bovina High School in ceremonies in Bovina Schools auditorium. Don Stone was guest speaker.

Bob Fillpot, manager of Bovina Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture for the past several

years, resigned his post effective in March.

Bovina's city employees received pay increases of 5.5 per cent each at a meeting of city council. Five people were on the city payroll.

Ambitious plans for a new track for the use of athletes of Bovina Schools were announced following a joint meeting of Bovina Mustang Booster Club and the school board.

The plans called for the track to be of Perma-Track, a proven product which is 40 to 46 per cent rubber, according to Gib Hough, athletic director.

"Pack A Few In '72" was the slogan adopted when plans were formulated for the third annual Religious Emphasis Day in Bovina. Attendance goal at city churches were set at 1172 on March 12.

A Little Dribblers League was organized in Bovina with at least four teams and possibly five preparing to draft players, coaches and sponsors.

Mrs. Wayne (Barbara) Spears, 50, a resident of Bovina since 1964, died of a heart attack here.

Funeral services were held at First Baptist Church for Mrs. Charlie Gray, 86, a resident of Bovina for some 45 years.

An office was opened in Bovina by Amalgamated Meat Cutters Union. Members of the union were on strike from Missouri Beef Packers, Inc.

Leon Ware, who farms west of Bovina, received the High Grower Award at the annual meeting of Texas-New Mexico Sugar Beet Growers in Hereford.

Mike Ware showed the grand champion barrow with Walter Martinez exhibiting the reserve champion at the annual Bovina Livestock Show. Terry Sherrill took top honors in the steer division with the reserve champion being exhibited by Galen Carson.

MARCH

For the fourth time in less than a year, burglars struck Isaac's Department Store on Main Street. Also burglarized was Gaines Hardware, next to Isaac's.

Billy Whitecotton and Billy Smith, veteran Bovina grocerymen, purchased Super Sawway from Carrie Melear and A. J. Barton.

Don Spring was elected president of Bovina Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture. Elected to serve as vice president was Billy Smith and new secretary was Mrs. Pat Read. Elected to terms on the 15-member board of directors of the chamber were Mrs. Tom Caldwell, Mrs. A. L. Nuttall, Ed Isaac, Thomas Rhodes and Harry Johnson.

Twyla Hutto was selected to play on the West Squad in the Second Annual Golden Spread High School Girls All-Star game in Amarillo.

Miss Hutto was a unanimous selection on the District 3-A Basketball team. Also selected to a berth on the first team as a guard was Nena Spicer. Named to the second team were Forward Barbara Griffith and Guard Heidi Corn.

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Blade Pages Mirror Happenings Of Year



1972 Pictorial Highlights

Weather

By Willie

Our hard winter is getting a good start. Some warmer after today (Wednesday). Below normal temperature indicated for January. ---Willie



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Pioneer Resident --

Rites Held Here For Mrs. Free

Funeral services for Mrs. Ola Free, 91, mother of Mrs. Rouel Barron of Bovina, were held Sunday, December 24, in First United Methodist Church here.

Rev. Archie Cooper of Dalhart and Rev. J. B. Fowler of Muleshoe officiated.

Burial was in Bovina Cemetery under direction of Parsons-Ellis Funeral Home of Friona. Mrs. Free died Thursday, Dec. 21, in La Casa Nursing Home in Canyon. She moved to the Bovina area in 1927 and resided here until she moved to Childress in 1965. She was preceded in death by her husband in 1952.

Survivors include two other daughters, Mrs. J. E. Kelley of Childress and Mrs. Albert Stone of Weed, Calif.; four sons, Walter Free of Denver, Colo., Dick Free of Dumas, J. D. Free of Redding, Calif., and Tracy Free of Covina, Calif.; 12 grandchildren, 26 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Clyde Blacklock, Bill Kelley, Albert Kelley, Thomas Beauchamp, Don Lloyd and Archie McCutchan.

GUEST EDITORIAL Offer Your Love

There can be no more sincere expression of love than the offering of your strength and understanding to those you care for who have lost someone dear.

And, the things you can do to help them might be simpler than you think. You can, for instance, relieve those in mourning of their everyday household chores like shopping and cleaning. This seemingly small gesture on your part can mean quite a lot to people too distraught to manage these necessary tasks.

A gift of flowers, too, can have a great comforting effect. To those who have lost loved ones, little things like these can truly mean a whole lot.

Long-Time Civic Leader --

Mrs. J. R. Caldwell Services Held Here

Mrs. J. R. (Bessie) Caldwell, 88, long-time resident of Bovina and Farmer County and a prominent leader in civic affairs, died Sunday morning, December 24, in Farmer County Community Hospital in Friona. She had been in ill health the past several months.

Funeral services were held Tuesday of last week in Bovina Church of Christ with Cecil Bunch, minister, officiating. Burial was in Bovina Cemetery under direction of Parsons-Ellis Funeral Home of Friona. Born Bessie Clagett in Denton County in 1884, she was one of eight children. In 1906, she was graduated from what was then North Texas Normal College in Denton. She taught school in Wichita Falls until 1908 when she married J. R. Caldwell.

She and her husband moved to Vaughn, N.M., where they were in the grocery business until 1910 when they moved to Lubbock. They farmed at Valley View during 1911. In the latter part of the year they moved to

Vernon where they farmed 14 years before coming to the Oklahoma Lane Community in 1925.

Mrs. Caldwell moved in Bovina in 1956 following her husband's death in 1955.

While living at Oklahoma Lane, she was president of the PTA for four years and was president of the OL Home Demonstration Club for four years. In Bovina, she worked for the Cancer Society, Red Cross, March of Dimes and other community affairs. She served as secretary, treasurer and program chairman of the Bovina Woman's Study Club.

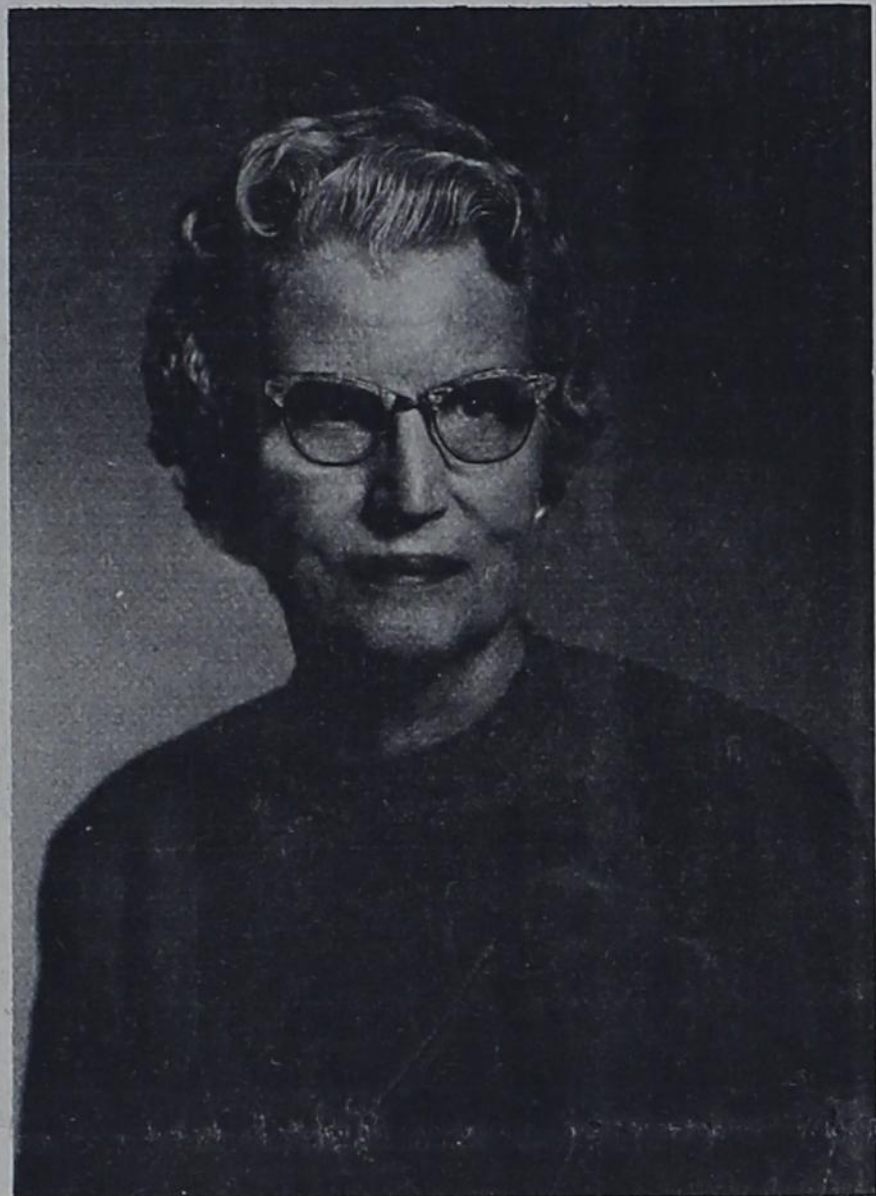
In 1965, Mrs. Caldwell was named "Mother of the Year" of Caprock District Federated Women's Clubs. In 1967, she was named Bovina's "Woman of the Year" by the Bovina Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture.

Mrs. Caldwell had been a member of the Church of Christ for 73 years. She had been a

member of the Bovina church since 1925.

Survivors include five sons, Robert Caldwell of Canyon, Bedford Caldwell and Tom Caldwell, both of Bovina, Ralph Caldwell of Lubbock and Charles Caldwell of Houston; a daughter, Mrs. Ruth Coates of Wichita, Kan.; two sisters, Mrs. W. F. Taylor of Big Spring and Mrs. J. E. Siddens of Seymour; a brother, Ewing Clagett of Wichita Falls; 14 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband and two sons -- an infant son and J. R. Jr., who was killed in a plane crash during World War II.

Pallbearers were grandsons -- Charles B. Caldwell Jr. of Houston, Tom Caldwell of Austin, Bill Caldwell of Lubbock, John Caldwell of Bovina and Bob Coates and Jim Coates of Wichita, Kan.



MRS. J. R. CALDWELL

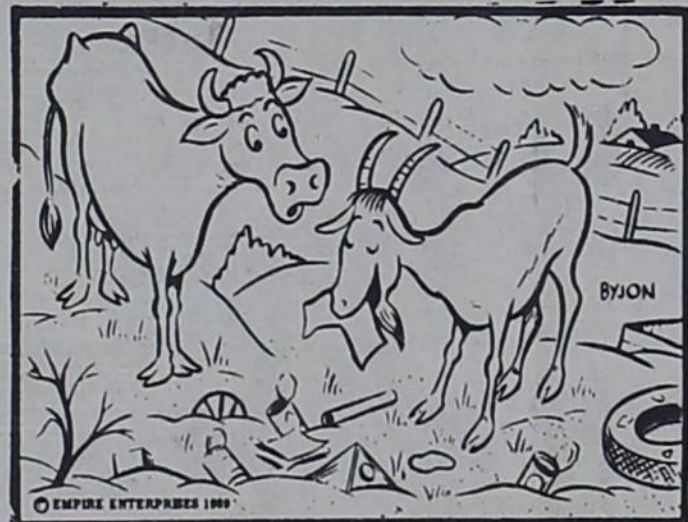
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Lopez Rites At Olton --

Wilfred Sikes Rites Held December 23

Funeral services for Wilfred Ernest Sikes, 45, were held Saturday, Dec. 23, in First Baptist Church of Bovina with Rev. Larry Heard, pastor, officiating.

Burial was in Bovina Cemetery under direction of Parsons-Ellis Funeral Home of Friona. A native of Hamilton, Mr. Sikes moved to Bovina 18 years ago. He was a farmer prior to his employment seven years ago with the state highway department. Mr. Sikes also owned and operated the Dairy Freeze here. He was a member of First Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Barbarette; a daughter, Mrs. R. B. Riley of Bovina; his par-

ents, Mr. and Mrs. John Sikes of Bovina; two sisters, Mrs. Annie Ballard of Lubbock and Mrs. Dora Sullins of Inez; two brothers, Windel Sikes of Bovina and John Sikes Jr. of Deer Park; and three grandchildren. He was preceded in death by three infant children.

Palbearers were Richard Morris, Mike Wilson, Gene Hutto, Frank Galvan, Melvin Hall and Buck Page. Honorary pallbearers were Archie McCutchen, Weldon Moody, Herman Estes, Norvell Strawn, Doyle Weston and Reagan Looney.

Services for Clemente Garcia Lopez, 41, were held Saturday, Dec. 23, in Trinity Baptist Mission in Olton with Rev. Pat Gloris, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Olton Cemetery under direction of Parsons-Ellis Funeral Home of Friona.

Mr. Lopez, a native of Big Foot, had been a resident of Bovina for the past two years.

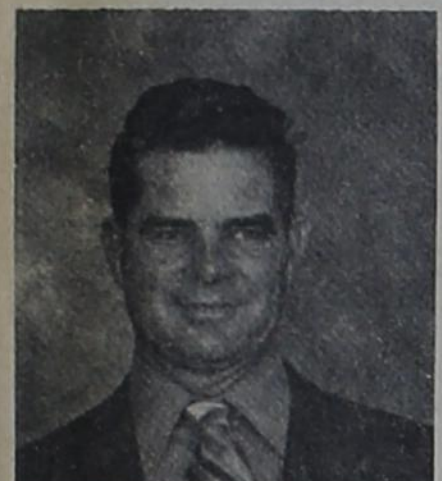
Mr. Lopez is survived by his wife, Delhina; three daughters, Mrs. Margie Garza of Midland, Mrs. Orilla Corna of Big Foot and Mrs. Mary Helen Garcia of Bovina; four sons, Benny Lopez, Jessie Lopez and Manuel Lopez, all of Bovina, and Clemente Lopez Jr.; three brothers, Gilbert Lopez of Lubbock, Tony Lopez of Olton and Nikol Lopez of Temple; five sisters, Mrs. Rosa Duque, Miss Janlee Lopez, Miss Patsy Lopez and Miss Lupe Lopez, all

of Fort Worth, and Mrs. Angella Arnellas of Big Foot; and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Serapio Lopez of Fort Worth.

Sikes and Lopez were fatally injured Thursday, Dec. 21, about 1:30 p.m., when they were struck by a cattle truck that jackknifed as it approached a narrow bridge that spans Running Water Draw on Texas 214 south of the Hub community.

Lopez was dead on arrival at Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona. He was afoot when the truck sideswiped him. Sikes, steering a heavy machine roller just south of the bridge, was knocked onto the bridge by the impact. The heavy machinery was bumped off the bridge about 10 feet into the draw. He was apparently killed instantly. The northbound cattle truck, driven by Grady L. Queen, 23, of Friona, apparently swerved to avoid hitting the rear of another cattle truck slowed by the construction work when it jackknifed into Sikes. Queen suffered leg injuries in the mishap and was taken to the Friona hospital.

Two other highway employees saw the accident in time to jump to safety. Lopez had suffered minor injuries in a similar accident in Feb. 1971, when Alfred Mills of Bovina, also employed by the state highway department, was fatally injured.



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Bovina Man's Mother Dies In Muleshoe

Funeral services for Mrs. Eliza Damron, 89, mother of Floyd Damron of Bovina, were held Thursday, Dec. 28, in Circle Back Baptist Church, Ivan Woodard, minister of the 16th and D Church of Christ in Muleshoe, officiated at the rites. He was assisted by Rev. Doug Gardner, pastor of the Circle Back Baptist Church, and Rev. Doug Dubose, pastor of First Baptist Church at Muleshoe. Burial was in Sudan Cemetery.

Mrs. Damron died about 5:10 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 26, in West Plains Memorial Hospital in Muleshoe following a short illness.

She had lived in the Circle Back Community since 1922, moving there from Crosby County. She was a native of Erath County and a member of the Sudan Church of Christ.

Other survivors include her husband, Walter; a daughter, Mrs. Ruby Garner of Muleshoe; a sister, Mrs. Rex Puckett of Ochoenix, Ariz.; two brothers, Jesse Malone of Reno, Nev., and George Malone of Oakdale, La.; five grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Eat Breakfast And Be More Alert

In most homes, breakfast is a hurried, fix-it-yourself meal since each family member starts the day at a different time. But breakfast is still important. Studies at the University of Iowa have shown that people who eat a nutritionally adequate breakfast work more efficiently and are more alert than people who skip breakfast.

What is a nutritionally adequate breakfast? Many nutritionists recommend that breakfast provide about 25% of the daily need of protein, carbohydrates, vitamins and minerals. This does not mean that breakfast has to be a big meal or take a long time to prepare. A bowl of cereal with milk is a good start toward the day's supply of needed nutrients. Ready-to-eat and instant or quick cooking hot cereal furnish needed vitamins, iron, carbohydrates and protein. To complete this easy-to-fix breakfast add a citrus juice or fruit, enriched to a st and milk to drink.

Good Psychology by Dr. Oswald Hoffmann

CHANGE YOUR PERSONAL PUBLIC RELATIONS

When someone knows you—whether you're a college student, small businessman, employee, whatever—that person attaches to you a definite, if unconscious, value. He has some feeling toward you.

Although techniques vary, principles dealing with people are pretty much the same. Here are ten ways to groom your public relations image that will pay off with interest:

1. You can construct the character of a man and his



age not only from what he does and says, but what he fails to do.

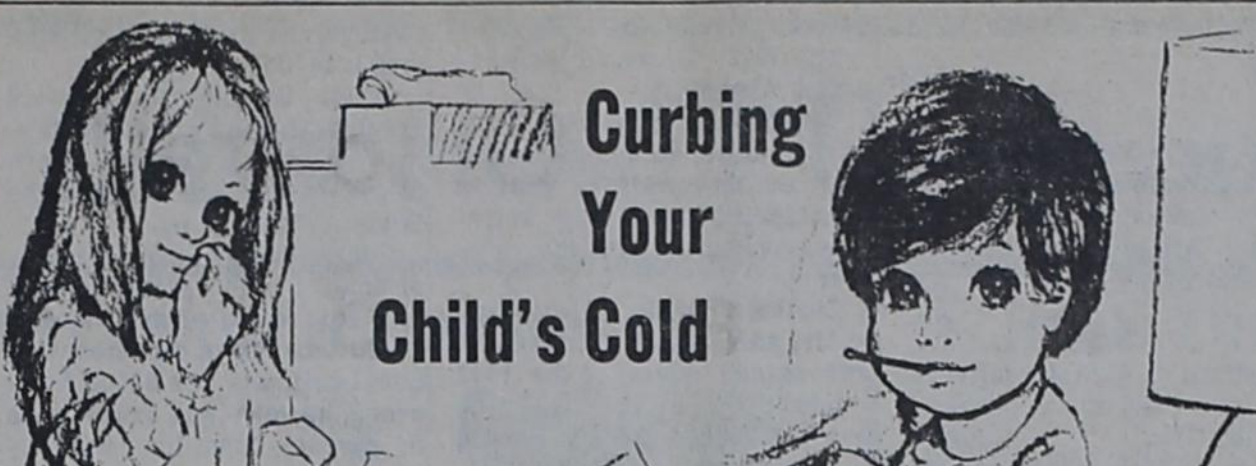
2. Estimate the score you give your public. Do you take suggestions as thinly disguised criticism? Do you consider any of your public distinctly inferior to you? Do you give a compliment as if you expect a receipt? If your answer to these is "Yes," you can almost sure that your score of them is mirrored in their score of you

3. Be friendly.
4. Be neat.
5. Learn the basics of being a good host(ess).

6. Conversation is shared communication. So look a man right in the eye when he talks to you so that he knows that he has your undivided attention.

7. Say "Thanks."
8. Keep your word.
9. Watch your mannerisms.
10. Watch your p's and q's.

For a booklet called "Who Am I?" which may change your image, send 25 cents to Room 220, Booklet Distributors of America, 220 West 42nd Street, New York, N.Y. 10036.



Curbing Your Child's Cold

NEW YORK (ED) — There's nothing common about a cold when it strikes your child. Though doctors still haven't found a cure, their standard advice is worth following: Keep the child warm, make sure he drinks plenty of liquids (soups, water, fruit juices) and eats moderately. Most important, teach him how to blow his nose properly. One powerful blow to clear the nasal passages is not the answer—it can force infection into the sinuses and canals which lead to the ears. "Blow gently" is the cue. And

remember, it's not necessary for a child to stay in bed when he has a cold. Let him continue his normal activity as much as possible—taking care to divert him if activity becomes too strenuous or the child begins to get hot.

The most difficult hours will be nighttime, especially if a cold is accompanied by fever. Aspirin is necessary to combat fever, and the aches of colds and flu. But use a children's medication. St. Joseph Aspirin For Children, long a favorite in the nursery, helps relieve these symptoms... so you can

both sleep. (Be sure all medicines are kept out of the reach of children, and buy only those with safety-lock caps.)

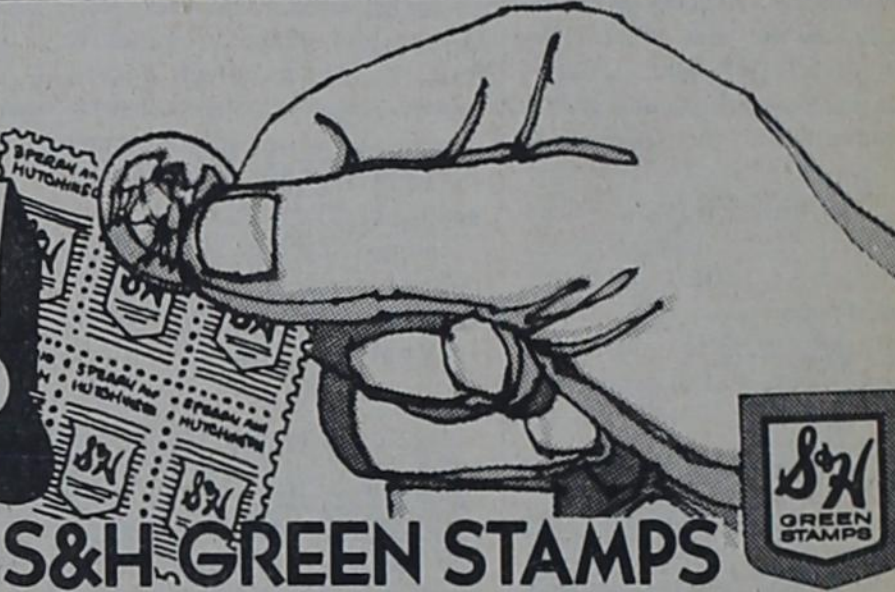
Are your child's colds very frequent? They could be an allergy masquerading as a runny nose. If his cold is accompanied by an earache and high or persistent fever, call the doctor at once to avoid ear infection or more serious complications.

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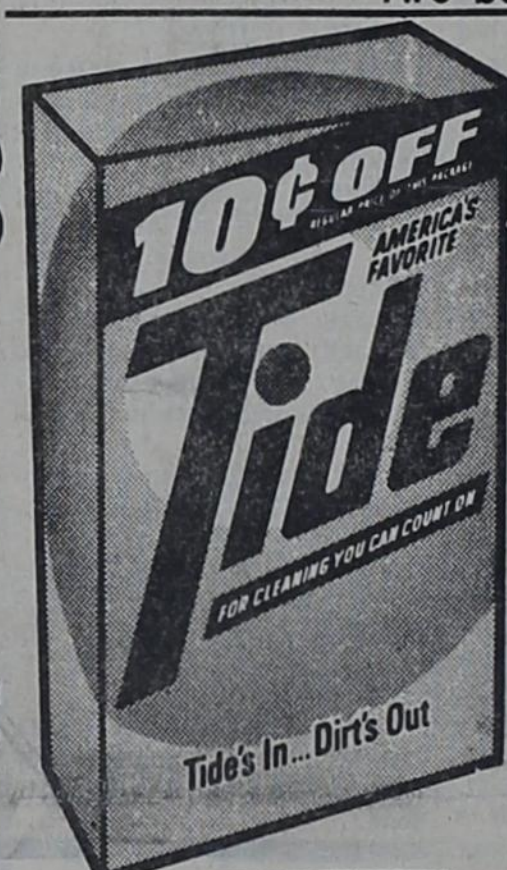
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Attendance at Bovina churches fell 91 short of the 1172 goal during the third annual Religious Emphasis Day in Bovina. A total of 1081 residents were counted in the city's seven churches.

Funeral services were held in Bovina Church of Christ for Mrs. Harley (Elizabeth Ruth) Riddle, 58, a resident of Bovina for the past 20 years.

Mrs. Leon Ware and Bob Fillpot were recognized as outstanding citizens in Bovina at the 12th annual Bovina Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture banquet in Bovina Schools cafeteria.

State Representative Bill Clayton of Springlake was guest speaker at the event.

Mrs. Travis Dyer of Bovina was named "Outstanding Clubwoman" of the year of the Caprock District of Texas Federation of Women's Clubs at the organization's annual convention in Lubbock.

Spears Handi-Stop and Gaines Hardware were co-champions in the first Little Dribbler's season here.

Mustang Drive In moved from its old location at the corner of Third Street and Highway 86 to Third Street and Avenue E. Patti Mills and Mike Ware were selected to attend Girls State and Boys State.

APRIL

Earl Whitten and C. E. Trimble were named to fill two vacancies on the board of trustees of Bovina Independent School District. Incumbent Whitten received 116 votes and Trimble received 110.

Johnie Horn was elected mayor of Bovina and Roy Allen, Dolph Moten and Don Spring were elected city councilmen in an extremely light turnout at the polls.

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Direct Distance Dialing began in Bovina on April 16. Construction of a new commercial station on FM Road 2290 began in April.

Robert Read and Harold Hawkins are partners in the venture. Bovina Fille's track squad sent six girls to the regional track meet in Levelland.

Cindy Barrett, Twyla Hutto, Nena Spicer, Barbara Griffith, Ruby Harris and Darla Hawkins qualified for the regional meet.

Garold Eugene Eakins, 34, of Bovina died in the wreckage of his spray plane north of Cannon Air Force Base in Clovis. Mr. Eakins was a pilot for Chuck's Aerial Spraying Service of Bovina.

Named Best All-Around Athletes at Bovina High School were Twyla Hutto and Shannon Davis. The two were recognized at the annual Athletic Banquet in Bovina Schools cafeteria.

Nena Spicer and Hugh Rogers received the Filly and Mustang Awards, given to athletes most exemplifying the school spirit and sportsmanship.

Jessie Franklin Vestal, 88, a pioneer resident of Bovina, died at Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona.

Jackie Adams won second place and a silver medal in informative speaking in the state UIL Literary Meet at Austin. Ben McCain won second and a silver medal in poetry interpretation.

MAY

Bovina Fille's 440-yard and 880-yard relay teams won second places in the regional track meet at Levelland, qualifying for the state track meet. Members of the teams were Nena Spicer, Barbara Griffith, Twyla Hutto, Ruby Harris and Darla Hawkins.

Freddie O'Hair and Kay Beardain were named valedictorian and salutatorian, respectively, of the Eighth Grade Class in Bovina Junior High. Nancy Hutto and Rodney Hromas were named Mustang Band Sweetheart and Beau.

Jackie Adams was named valedictorian of Senior Class at Bovina High School. Barbara Griffith was salutatorian. Other honor students were Cathy Mast, Tommy Bonds and Donnie Grisson.

Over 120 boys signed up for the summer Little League baseball program. A girls' softball league was formed with four teams competing. Prizes were given away to

those registering at the grand opening of the Stutch Niche, Bovina's newest business. Mrs. Dianne Allison is owner and operator of the shop.

JUNE

Bedford Caldwell delivered the first load of '72 barley to Shirley Grain.

Roger Ezell, a native Bovinian and an assistant BHS coach for the past seven years, was named athletic director and head football coach. Ezell succeeds Gib Hough who resigned at the end of the school year.

Bovina's city council agreed to cooperate with a federal government program to hire four young people during the summer months. The arrest of one man in Friona and two at Roswell, N.M., cleared up numerous area burglaries. Recovered were three motorcycles and a trailer stolen from Monty Corbin of Bovina Christmas night of 1971.

Donavon Lynn Murphy, 22, was killed in a one-car accident near Tres Ritos, N.M. Mrs. Jean O'Neal was named supervisor of the Parmer County Surplus Commodity Office in Bovina.

Rain, accompanied by damaging hail, took its toll of cotton and grain sorghum crops in the Bovina area. Funeral services for James Early Stevens, 32, a native of Bovina, were held in Amarillo.

Cody Pike Livingston, 13-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Livingston of Bovina, died at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

Louis Stone of Bovina lost a leg in a farm machinery accident.

JULY

The five-month-old strike of employees of Missouri Beef Packers, Inc., ended the first week in July. Rainfall, although totaling less than half an inch in Bovina, was welcomed by area farmers.

Darrel Read resigned as water and sewer superintendent for the City of Bovina to accept a similar position at Dumas.

Andy Garza, an employee of the city for the past four years, was hired to replace Read. Two persons were killed and three children injured in a grinding two car head-on collision about four miles southwest of Bovina.

Gary Gover, 16, suffered serious injuries in a motorcycle accident on the Dimmitt Road.

AUGUST

The 1972-'73 school term began on August 21.

The Ninth Annual Bull Town Days enjoyed another successful year as thousands of visitors participated in numerous activities connected with the celebration.

Christ Trimble, 16, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Trimble, was named queen of the 1972 celebration. First runner-up was Michelle Bonds. Second runner-up was Cathy Trimble, sister of the queen.

C. C. (Clarence) Christian, 69, a long-time prominent resident of the Oklahoma Lane Community, died at Clovis Memorial Hospital. He had been in ill health for several months.

James Edward Burnett, 25, a native of Bovina, died in an Idabel, Okla., hospital. Rainfall during August, totaling 3.63 inches, brought mixed emotions from area farmers. The moisture handicapped the harvesting of vegetables during the peak of the season. Cutting of corn ensilage was also halted.

SEPTEMBER

Approximately two inches of rain fell the first week in the month, adding to the problems of the vegetable and grain harvest.

The 13th edition of Bovina Businesses Football Contest kicked off with the grand prize winner being awarded expense money and tickets to the Dallas Cowboy-New York Giant professional football game.

Head Coach Roger Ezell's debut was a success as the Bovina Mustangs shutout Boys Ranch, 16-0.

Bovina's city council asked for 60 days to study a proposed rate increase here by General Telephone Co. of the Southwest. Rain on an every other day basis continued to handicap farming activities.

Bovina's Mustangs dropped a 26-6 decision to their Parmer County neighbors, the Friona Cheifains.

A new policy in regard to the riding of school busses by students who live outside the city limits but less than two miles from school was adopted at a meeting of the board of trustees of Bovina Schools.

OCTOBER

With a varied offense and a tough defense, Bovina's Mustangs got back on the winning side of the ledger, defeating Sanford-Fritch, 13-8.

F. S. Pounds, 67, a resident of Bovina for 31 years, died in an Amarillo hospital from injuries suffered when the truck he was driving overturned north of Bovina.

Bovina's Mustangs won ev-

erything but the score as Plains took a 14-0 decision. Debra Sorley was crowned Football Queen and Larry Wiseman named Football Hero in pre-game ceremonies of the Bovina-Plains game.

Repair of Bovina's water tower and its 50,000 gallon storage tank cost in the neighborhood of \$7000 more than expected. Original estimate was \$1500, however, the tank was found to be in worse condition than expected.

The Mustangs dehorned Vega's Longhorns, 28-16, for first district win.

Some 73 contestants entered the annual First Freeze Contest, sponsored by The Blade and Weatherman Willie Williams. The Mustangs and Sudan's Hornets battled to a 14-14 tie in a muddy rain-soaked game here. Bovina won the game by a 10-9 first downs edge when penetrations were tied at three each.

Mike Spears was Bovina's Champion First Freeze Predictor for 1972. Spears hit the nail on the head with his prediction of Oct. 19.

With most farmers ready to get serious about the '72 milo harvest, rainy weather struck again with totals up to two inches in some parts of the county.

NOVEMBER

Displaying a different offense which worked with methodical success, the Bovina Mustangs took a 26-15 decision over their arch-rival, the Farwell Steers, in a District 3-A football game at Farwell.

This was the second consecutive win for the Mighty Mustangs over the Steers.

Funeral services for Mrs. Wanda Pearl Sudderth, 37, a former resident of Bovina, were held in Littlefield. Old Man Winter took his second swing at the area as a cold front bringing rain, sleet and icy conditions, stopped the just-begun milo harvesting in its tracks.

The Mustangs hopped to an undisputed lead in District 3-A with a surprisingly easy 17-0 win over the favored Kress Kangaroos.

Construction of a three-bedroom brick parsonage was announced by First Baptist Church. The parsonage is located in Ridgelea Addition.

About the only surprising thing in the November general election here and across the county was the fact that a record number of voters did not mark ballots.

As expected, Parmer County voters, including those in the Bovina precinct, favored Republican Richard Nixon for president over Democrat George McGovern.

In the Bovina precinct, only 477 ballots were cast. This was considerably less than expected since voter registration requirements had been relaxed in recent years.

The Bovina Mustangs improved their District 3-A report card to the 5-0 mark with a sound 35-7 win over the Springlake-Earth Wolverines.

Jimmy Brown and a tough defense proved to be too much for the Mustangs to overcome as they dropped a 25-8 decision to Hart.

The Hart win left the two teams deadlocked for the District 3-A title with identical 5-1 marks. However, Hart earned the right to represent the league in bi-district play by virtue of its win over Bovina.

Another spell of winter weather, consisting of snow, rain and freezing temperatures, moved into the Bovina area. The weather brought to a halt again the already-delayed harvesting of the area's principal crop, grain sorghum, and postponed the beginning of cotton stripping.

Mrs. Ben C. Rejton of Bovina was named Woman of the Year at the Amarillo Diocese Council of Catholic Women's convention in Lubbock.

Funeral services for William H. Jarrell, 103, a pioneer Parmer County resident, were held in Clovis.

Funeral services for Wallace Rogers were held in Lubbock.

Mr. Rogers was a former resident of Bovina.

DECEMBER

Funeral services for Plummer David (P.D.) Barron, 85, a pioneer resident of Bovina, were held at Bovina United Methodist Church.

Parmer County farmers who hadn't sold their 1972 grain sorghum crop were in an enviable position as the market for milo continued upwards. The price quoted the first week in December was \$2.60 per hundredweight, up 25 cents from November prices.

Gary McCormick nosed out Terry Carpenter of Clovis and Donna Jester of Bovina to win the Bovina Business Dallas Cowboy Football Contest.

Billy Shelby, Kim Rundell, Jeff McCormick and Weldon Beardain earned positions on the District 3-A All-District football squad.

City of Bovina received the first payment of the federal government's new revenue sharing program. Amount of the check was \$5782.

Bovina's city council granted a rate increase to General Telephone Co. with the rate to go into effect in February according to an agreement between the council and the telephone company.

As December came to a close, unusually severe winter weather and an unusual harvest-time increase in the price of milo were the most talked about things in farming circles.

The price of milo, already at a surprisingly high \$2.60, scooted on up to the \$2.80 mark and agricultural observers were predicting additional increases.

On the weather front, premature winter blasts continued in the area with sleet and snow falling and temperatures staying below the freezing mark.

Billy Shelby, stellar linebacker and running back on the Bovina Mustangs District 3-A Co-Champion football team, was named to the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal's Class A All-South Plains Team.

Henry Garza, with an entry which measured 24 and seven-eighths inches, won the longest pheasant tailfeather contest in Bovina. Roy Hartzog won second and Junior Johnson third.

Hunting was considered good during the nine-day pheasant season as the bird population continued to increase in the area. Also, there were reports that pheasants were this year populating areas of the county where they had not been previously.

A snowfall measuring up to seven inches delayed cotton stripping, the last major chore remaining for 1972 crops. This was the ninth snowfall this fall for the area with winter officially beginning the day after the ninth such blast.

Wendy and Patti Sherrill, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Sherrill, were first place winners in the 1972 Decorations Contest. Pat Ware, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ware, won second and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Read took third place.

The annual Christmas Card Fund, sponsored by Bovina Woman's Study Club, was richer by some \$535 this year. The funds collected through the project were divided 50-50 between Bovina Medical Center and the Grace Paul Educational Fund.

A tragic pre-Christmas accident near Hub took the lives of Wilfred Sikas and Clemente Lopez of Bovina.

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Homemakers who keep emergency shelves and freezers well stocked need never feel rushed. The S. B. Thomas' people, makers of Specialty Baked Products, make these suggestions for easy meals. Keep the freezer, refrigerator and pantry stocked with a few well selected items. Include frozen creamed dishes and an extra package or two of their Thomas' English muffins. They are the perfect base for creamed dishes. Frozen broccoli is an ideal vegetable and cooks quickly. A selection of canned tuna, crab, salmon, chicken all can be made into dishes for topping English muffins.

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1/4 teaspoon salt
1/8 teaspoon pepper
1 cup milk
1/4 cup real mayonnaise
2 cups diced cooked ham
Hot cooked broccoli
2 teaspoons lemon juice
4 Thomas' English muffins

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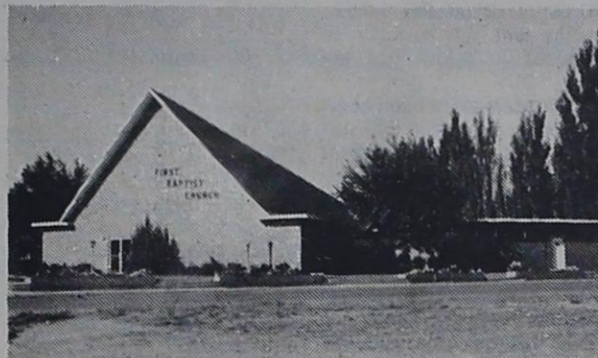
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IDOLATRY AMERICAN STYLE

Time: 2050 A.D.
 Place: Eastern Hemisphere University
 Class: History of Great Civilizations
 STUDENT: "What really happened to the United States?"
 PROFESSOR: "They were annihilated by idolatry."
 STUDENT: "But I thought they were a Christian nation."
 PROFESSOR: "So called. But, history concludes that 'Christian America' was actually just as materialistic as 'Communist Russia.'"
 STUDENT: "But weren't they believers in Jesus Christ? How could believers be considered idolaters?"
 PROFESSOR: "History's clear conclusion is that America was one of the most covetous nations in the history of civilization. And Paul stated: 'Covetousness . . . is idolatry' (Col. 3:5)."
 STUDENT: "You mean they were more concerned with material possessions than with Christianity?"
 PROFESSOR: "Right! In fact, the pursuit of material possessions was their religion. They put comfort before Christ and gains above God."
 STUDENT: "How did they fail to comprehend the teachings of the Bible concerning covetousness?"
 PROFESSOR: "It's puzzling, because the so-called Christian people looked with horror upon such things as fornication, murder and drunkenness. Yet, the same New Testament passages which condemned these sins also invariably listed covetousness also (Rom. 1:29-31; 1 Cor. 5:9, 10)."
 STUDENT: "Weren't they very prosperous? Why were they not satisfied?"
 PROFESSOR: "The tragedy is that instead of possessing their possessions, their possessions seemed to possess them. Selfishness was the suicide of their society. And if their Bible was true, they missed their major goal, too, for it said, 'no covetous man can enter the Kingdom' (Eph. 5:5)."

Cecil Bunch, Minister, Bovina Church of Christ

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 WEDNESDAY - Prayer Meeting - 8 p.m.
 Children's Choir - 8 p.m.

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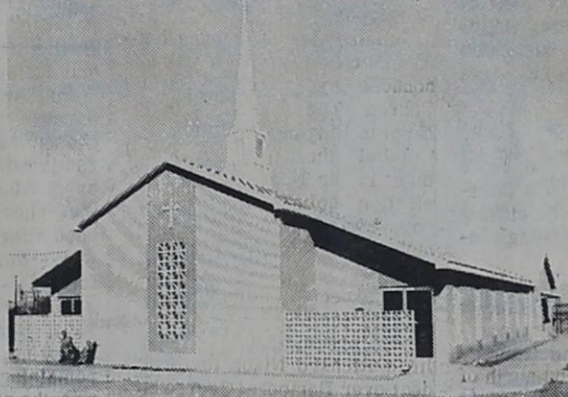
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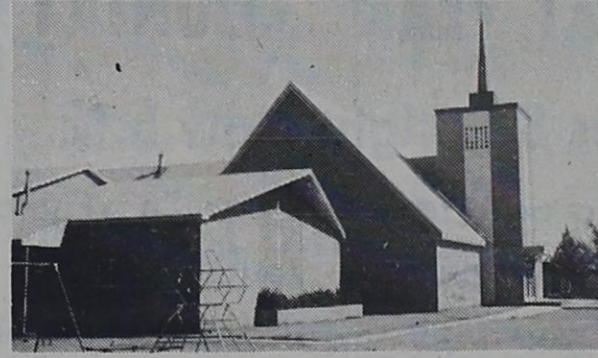


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State Representative --

Clayton Resigns Water Inc. Post

State Rep. Bill Clayton, executive director of Water, Inc. since early 1969, has resigned the post with the regional water development promotion organization effective Dec. 31. His letter of resignation was handed to members of the Water, Inc. executive committee and board of directors at a meeting in Lubbock recently.

"It is with regrets that we accept Mr. Clayton's resignation," Gaston Wells of Dumas, president of Water, Inc. said. "He has done an outstanding job in the almost four years with our organization. He is a

recognized leader, both statewide and nationally, in the field of water resource development and through his leadership, Water, Inc. has become a respected and effective influence. His efforts in our behalf have been instrumental in moving us toward our ultimate goal -- adequate future water for all," Wells said, and added, "we wish him every success in his new pursuits."

Clayton, who resides at Springlake in Lamb County where he has extensive farming interests, has served in the Texas House of Representatives since 1962. In his letter of resignation he said that "there are other areas of endeavor he must now attempt," but declined to enumerate his future plans at this time other than to say that they are in the political realm.

During his tenure at the executive post of the regional water promotional organization, conflicting views within Water, Inc. have been reconciled into a unit-

ed effort for a water development program to assure future water for all of West Texas and Eastern New Mexico, membership in the non-profit corporation has almost doubled and the operating budget has more than doubled. Clayton predicted Water, Inc. would continue to grow as it looks to what he called "the challenge ahead."

Clayton has been a leading exponent of sensible and systematic development of water resources. He has either sponsored or co-sponsored every major water bill that has come before the Texas Legislature during his ten years in the House of Representatives. Among these are measures leading to a comprehensive water development program to assure adequate future water supplies for all Texas citizens, and the Texas Water Code, a massive recodification of the state's water laws into a single act. He has served on virtually all legislative water study committees during his tenure.

COURTHOUSE NOTES

Instrument Report Ending December 21, 1972 in County Clerk Office Bonnie Warren, County Clerk

WD, Nelle Oswald, et al, John H. Dunbar, E 1/2 Sec. 49, Blk. Z Johnson

WD, A. L. Glasscock, Jack L. Kassah, Lot 14 & S 27 ft. Lot 15, Blk. 4, Ridgelea Sub. Bovina

WD, Winston G. Wilson et al, C. H. Hale, W 1/2 & NE 1/4 Sec. 10, Blk. B, Rhea Bro. WD, Home Security Corp., Leonard L. Haney, Lots 16 & 17, Blk. 11 B. Bovina

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WD, Richard D. Steelman, Norman L. Ferguson, lots 1 & 2, N 1/2 Lot 3, Blk 35, OT Bovina

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Stanberrys Have Son

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Stanberry of Bovina announce the birth of their first child, a daughter, at 2:44 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 31, at Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona.

Named Michelle Renee, the new arrival weighed six pounds, eight ounces, and is 19 and one-half inches long.

Stanberry is employed at Three-Way Chemical at Pleasant Hill.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Thogal Stanberry of Bovina and Mr. and Mrs. Olin Thornton

Frona Entry Tops Contest

Gary Hicks of Frona has been named the winner of Parmer County's longest pheasant tail-feather contest following the conclusion of the season last month.

Hicks' entry, which also topped the Friona contest, measured 25 and one-sixteenth inches. This was three-sixteenths longer than the best entry in Bovina's local contest, Henry Garza was the winner here with an entry 24 and seven-eighths inches long.

Hicks will be awarded an engraved plaque from Parmer County Game Management Association for entering the longest feather in the county during the 1972 season.

The 1972 open season concluded a nine-day run December 17.

Community contests for the longest tailfeather were conducted at Bovina, Farwell and Friona with the game management association plaque going to the overall county winner.

Bovina-Kress Games Re-Set For Thursday

Three basketball games originally scheduled at Kress Tuesday night have been postponed until tomorrow (Thursday) night, weather permitting, according to a spokesman at Bovina High School.

Barring further inclement weather, varsity girls' and boys' teams and the Filly Junior Varsity will travel to Kress for District 3-A tilts.

Bovina will host Sudan in four games here at Willford Gymnasium Friday night.

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On The Farm In Palmer County

By R. MACK HEALD
County Agent

Late fall and early winter are good times to set out new trees in your home or community landscape.

Citizens are quick to point out to visitors and tourists the better residential districts, parks, campuses and other areas where old trees thrive as the most beautiful parts of their communities.

Here are several reasons to plant trees:

1. Trees reduce smog and purify the air by acting as dust and pollution filters and by releasing life-giving oxygen into our air.

2. Trees moderate the climate by protecting from extremes in wind, heat, cold and drought.

3. Trees provide many bird and animal species with food and shelter.

4. According to real estate people, one of the best reasons for planting good trees is to increase the value and sales appeal of homes. Beautiful, well-placed trees are a prime selling factor, especially in older homes.

Trees are probably one of the biggest bargains in our environment. Since considerable time may be required to produce trees of useful size, plant them as soon as possible and select adapted varieties that fill specific needs.

Here are some basic points of landscape design to keep in mind when placing trees in the landscape:

1. Consider the scale and proportion of the tree species at maturity. Too often large growing trees are placed in areas where they must be later removed because of being too close to a home or other structures. Trees may become too massive and visually overcome a small structure.

2. Use restraint in the number of different tree species planted in a landscape development. Too much variety results in confusion and lack of unity.

3. Consider year-round interest in foliage, flower, fruit and bark as well as placement for proper shade and sun needs and a proper balance between evergreen and deciduous trees. Make trees a part of an overall landscape plan. And remember that a tree is a living investment that increases in value continually if properly selected, placed and cared for.

Recent ice storms may have damaged trees in your landscape. However, with careful and proper pruning, these trees can be saved.

First, survey the damage and plan for corrective pruning. Remove damaged limbs at the point of origin or just above a good side branch. Don't leave stubs unless absolutely necessary.

If, due to severe damage, a branch or main trunk must be stubbed back, paint the wound with a tree wound dressing that is available at any garden center or nursery. Orange shellac may be used as a temporary wound dressing. Continual pruning and attention is necessary under these conditions to prevent sucker growth at the end of the stub.

If a trunk or main scaffold branch has split due to the excessive weight of ice, remove the trunk that has broken away. Cables and bolts may be used to pull the damaged trunk together, but this can be best accomplished by a professional tree man.

Where a broken limb has pulled loose back along the side of a trunk, smooth the torn area with a sharp knife or chisel and paint all exposed cuts or wounds with a tree wound dressing.

Since the winter season is just starting, homeowners may want to provide some protection for landscape plants and shrubs to prevent or reduce cold weather damage. Plastic covers may be used to protect plants but they must be removed as soon as severe cold conditions have passed.

A new mildew and leaf rust-resistant, semi-winter barley, Tambar 401, has been developed by the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station Small Grains Section.

Tambar is a six-rowed, rough-awned barley with leaves that are wider and more upright and twisted than those of Cordova.

The new variety produced the highest average yield of all varieties grown in Central and North Texas tests from 1965 to 1971. It was particularly outstanding in the Rolling and High Plains areas.

Under irrigation near Bushland, Tambar averaged 103.9 bushels, compared to 88.2 bushels for Will, the best yielding commercial variety. It was equal to Cordova in average test weight for all locations but had a lower average test weight than did Rogers.

Tambar appears to equal Cordova in early fall and winter forage but may produce less forage in the spring.

A late maturing variety, 401 heads about the same time as Rogers and Will, and approximately five days later than Cordova. Straw is large and fairly stiff. It lodges more than Cordova but less than Will and Rogers under normal growing conditions. Winter survival tests at Bushland indicate that 401 is less winter-hardy than Will but equal to Cordova.

Foundation seed of Tambar 401 can be obtained from the Foundation Seed Section, Texas A&M University, College Station.

Have you ever heard of "Mycotoxicosis Russian Roulette"? You may not have, but chances are you're playing that deadly game if you feed molded feeds to your pigs.

According to Dr. Gene Cope, Extension Veterinarian, Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Amarillo, mycotoxicosis is a two-dollar word which means "poisoning of the host following entrance into the body of one or more toxicants produced by a mold." While the condition has been recognized for many years, serious research was not initiated until the last decade.

The problem is complex, because the production of toxin is influenced by many factors:

1. The strain of fungus; not all fungus produces toxin.
2. The temperature at which it grows; the best environment for toxin production seems to be a period of moderately warm weather followed by a period of cool weather and a fairly high moisture content.
3. The length of time it grows.
4. Other bacterial growths associated with it.
5. The species of animal to which it is fed; this may be even more specific, with toxicity varying with sex and age.

RESULTS OF MOLDED FEED POISONING

Research indicates that animals which eat feeds contaminated by mycotoxins suffer from a variety of debilitating and lethal conditions such as hemorrhaging, anemia, cancer, poor



At Home In Palmer County

By Jana Pronger
County HD Agent

Knitted fabrics are the darling of the textile industry and indications are that they will be for many years to come. Knits are so popular, virtually every men's, women's and children's wear store or department carries a wide variety of knitted goods.

What makes knitted goods so desirable? Many good qualities are inherent in them regardless of varying fiber composition. They are wrinkle resistant, requiring little or no ironing, able to stretch for wearing comfort and return to original shape without bagging, and usually machine washable and dryable for real economy of care.

Knits are made from fibers which are interlocked in a series of connecting loops. Basically, there are two types: warp knits and weft knits.

Warp knits are made from hundreds of parallel yarns on one set of needles, each one of which forms loops along the length of the fabric. Unless specifically treated, they stretch mainly in widths. Forms of warp knits include tricot, used for lingerie, and raschel, used for ribbed and raised surface fabrics for skirts, slacks, jackets and dresses.

Weft knits can be double, single or flat, and are made from one continuous strand of yarn forming horizontal rows of interlocked loops. Double knits are made using two sets of needles, resulting in two layers of fabric which cannot be separated. They stretch in both width and length and are found in suits, slacks, jackets and dresses. Single knits are a single layer of fabric, lighter in weight than double knits, and often used in T-shirts and golf shirts. Underwear and sports shirts are often made of flat knits which can be shaped during the knitting process by increasing the number and size of loops.

Knitted goods can be made from a variety of fibers including polyester, cotton, acetate, wool, nylon, triacetate and many blends. Generally, washable knits made of manmade fibers such as polyester, acrylic and rayon, and blends of cotton or rayon with a manmade fiber knit with a manmade fiber knit should be at least 50 per cent of the blend hold their original size better than knits made of cotton or rayon.

Care instructions differ with fiber content as well as trims, linings and interfacings, therefore, it is imperative to check labels and hangtags. The following suggestions are offered when laundering knits -- sort items by color, amount of soil and weight of the fabric. Appliance manufacturers recom-

mend that zippers be closed and hooks and eyes fastened to prevent snagging. Turning knits wrong side out will also help. Selection of cycle, wash temperature and time will depend on the construction of the garment, the amount of soil and colorfastness.

Here are some special tips for laundering man-made knits: Use a warm water wash with a cold rinse. A permanent press cycle on the washer with a cool down period before spinning is ideal since this relaxes the fibers

and prevents new wrinkles from forming. The same methods are also applicable in drying -- low heat and a permanent press cycle to keep knits wrinkle free. Garments should be removed from the dryer when they are still slightly damp. Overdrying may cause shrinkage and also a build up of static electricity especially in the man-made fibers.

Card Project Tops \$560

An additional \$33.50 was deposited in Bovina's Project Christmas Card account following the deadline two weeks ago. That brings the total deposits in the fund this year to \$568.50. Donors were The Bob Fillpots, The Vernon Willards, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Jefferson, The Billie Sudderth Family, Granny Gaines, Mr. and Mrs. Neal Mager and Gaines Hardware. Those joining the annual Pro-

ject Christmas Card prior to the deadline had their names published in a half-page Christmas greeting in the December 25 issue of The Blade.

Sponsoring organization of the annual project is Bovina Woman's Study Club. This year's fund will be divided 50-50 between Bovina Medical Center, Inc., and the Grace Paul Educational Fund.

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More Snow --

New Year Like Old Weatherwise

Weatherwise, the new year appeared to be much like the old one here --- cold and snowy.

Snow greeted Bovinians Monday, the first day of the year as the white moisture began falling about 7 a.m. Snow continued throughout the morning and part of the afternoon, bringing an accumulation of some four inches.

The New Year's Day spell was the worst weather of the holiday period, however, as sunshine and comfortable temperatures prevailed for the most part.

Tuesday morning had light snowfall, hardly enough to be noticeable as if piled on top of that which fell Monday.

Temperatures remained relatively mild for snowy weather the first of the week. Tuesday

mornings thermometer reading was 28.

The snow here was unusual in that it evidently moved in from the south. There was no snow Monday as close as 50 miles north of here.

The additional moisture de-

layed again the stripping of cotton, which is just about the last agricultural activity of last year which hasn't been completed. Estimates indicate that some 25 to 35 per cent of the cotton crop remains in the fields after being delayed numerous times

during the stripping season by wet weather.

This week's snowfall brought continued evidence that the Winter of '72-'73 may be more severe than normal. A fact which has been predicted by various weather observers in the area.



WHITE COTTON --- Snow-white, that is. These snow-covered, cotton-filled trailers await their turn under the suction at an area gin following Monday's snowfall which postponed completion of the already-delayed harvest. Snow and ice on highways and streets made driving hazardous Monday and Tuesday.

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Explanation For 1973 Programs

U.S.D.A. announced its 1973 feed grain program provisions on December 11, 1972. Farmers are given two choices as follows:

- CHOICE #1:** Farmer must set aside an acreage of average or better land equal to 30% of his base allotment.
- (1) Payments will be 33¢ per bushel times farm's projected yield on first half of base acres.
 - (2) A supplemental payment will be made in case the average market price to farmers plus payment on first half of base does not equal 70% of grain sorghum parity as figured on Oct. 1, 1973.
- CHOICE #2:** Farmer must set aside 15% of his base allotment and restrict planting to his 1972 acreage or less.
- (1) Payments will be 23¢ per bushel times projected yield on first half of base allotment.
 - (2) There will be no guaranteed income provision beyond the loan and payment.
- LOAN LEVEL:** The loan level for all grain produced by farmers under the feed grain program will be the same as 1972. This is \$1.79 per hundred pounds national average.
- RESEAL:** There will be no reseal for 1972 grain sorghum held in commercial storage.

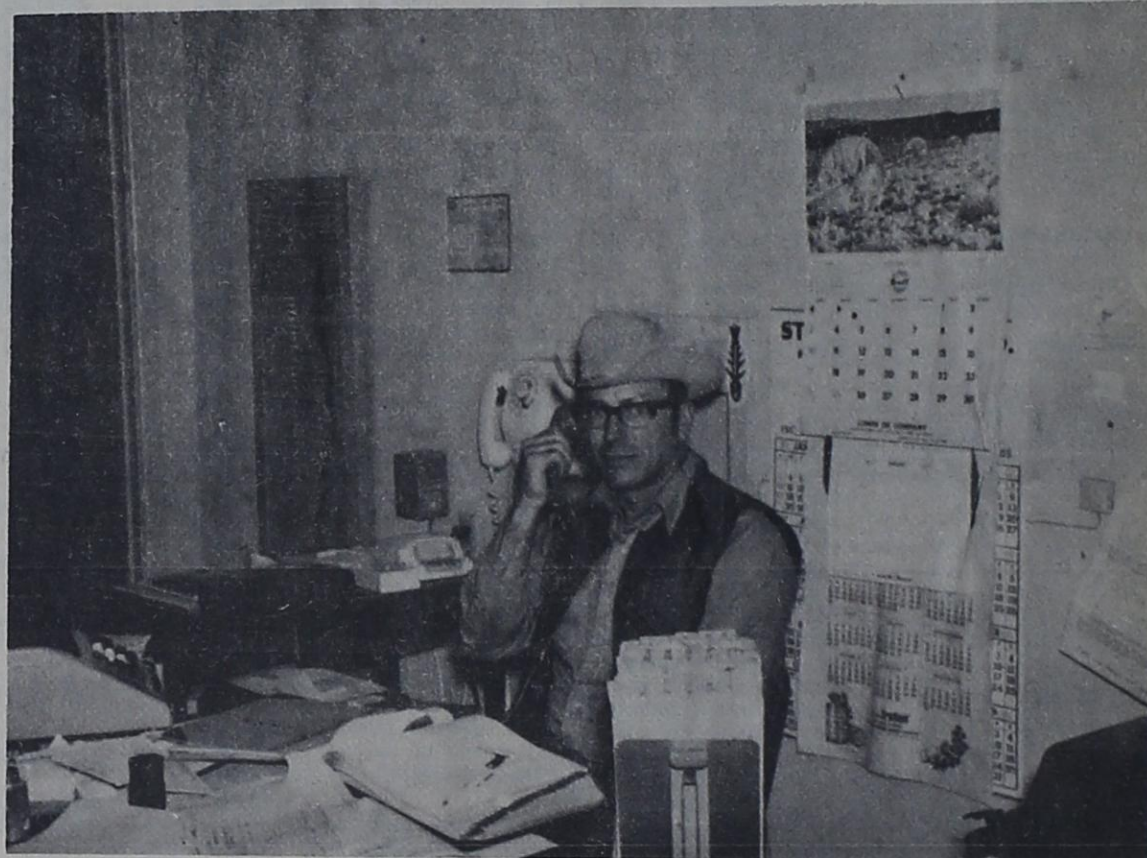
ILLUSTRATION OF 1973 FEED GRAIN PROGRAM
100 Acre Base Allotment
100 Bushel per Acre Yield

Total Payments	Other Provisions
Choice #1: \$33 x 50 acres = \$1,650.00 (1972 payment was \$1,900.00)	Oct. 1, 1973 - 70% Parity Guarantee No Restriction on Planting
Choice #2: \$23 x 50 acres = \$1,150.00	Restricted to 1972 level of planting or less. No further guarantee of income except loan level.

- 1973 Loan Level = \$1.79 per hundred pounds - Same as 1972.
- SUMMARY:**
- A. There will be 14% less payments for minimum compliance in Choice #1 compared to 1972 (\$5.00 per acre less on first 50% than 1972 with 100 bushel yields) and 5% more set-aside required.
 - B. Quality of set-aside land will be higher.
 - C. Loan level = \$1.79 cwt. (same as 1972).
 - D. There will be no additional set-aside with pay.

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