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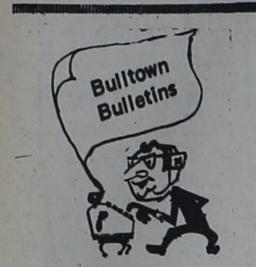
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THE NEWSPAPER THAT WORKS FOR A BIGGER, BETTER BOVINA

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3, 1977

BOVINA, TEXAS 79009



#### BY BILL ELLIS

ALL OF THE TALK about the possibility that construction of the controversial neutron bomb might begin at the Pantex plant east of Amarillo must have residents of the Panhandle's capital city a bit on the uneasy side.

Ordinarily, most people, including ourselves, are in favor of almost anything that brings new or additional industry to your city or area.

But in the case of the neutron bomb, this becomes an entirely different matter.

There are some special considerations in conjunction with the making of the potent bomb, that we would think that the majority of residents of Amarillo, and in fact the entire Panhandle area, should consider before it allows such activity in our

# **BTD Events Grow;** More Take Shape

If you enjoy excitement, fun, seeing old friends, meeting new ones and a great variety of things to do, see and participate in, you will want to keep in mind the dates of August 18, 19 and 20.

SCHEDULE BRIEFS

The 14th Annual Bovina Bull Town Days, slated for those days, has the potential of being among the best to date, according to Steve Sherrill, general chairman.

Sherrill said several activities will be dropped because of lack of interest. They are the Queen's Contest, Cow Calling and Beard Growing. There will be other events to fill the gaps left by the cancellations.

Any civic organization, business or individual desiring to set up a booth should contact Sherrill.

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J.T. Hammonds, chairman of the Bull Town Days Parade, announced Friday that "Texas Heritage" is to be the theme of the annual event.

The Jaycee-sponsored Softball 3-2 Tournament will begin on Friday, August 19, at the ball field and continue on Saturday, with the finals to be held on Sunday afternoon.

There will be a break in the action during the barbeque hours to give the competitors an opportunity to enjoy a good meal.

Andy Martinez, chairman, said on Friday that the entry fee is \$30 per team and the deadline for entering will be Wednesday, August 10. Anyone interested can contact Martinez at 238-1402 any day after 7 p.m.

To date, 18 teams have signed up, with some coming from Clovis, Hereford and Muleshoe. Others in the area are welcome.

Trophies will be awarded to the teams finishing 1-2-3, with a special award going to the team judged by umpires and coaches as demonstrating the greatest sportsmanship during the tournament.

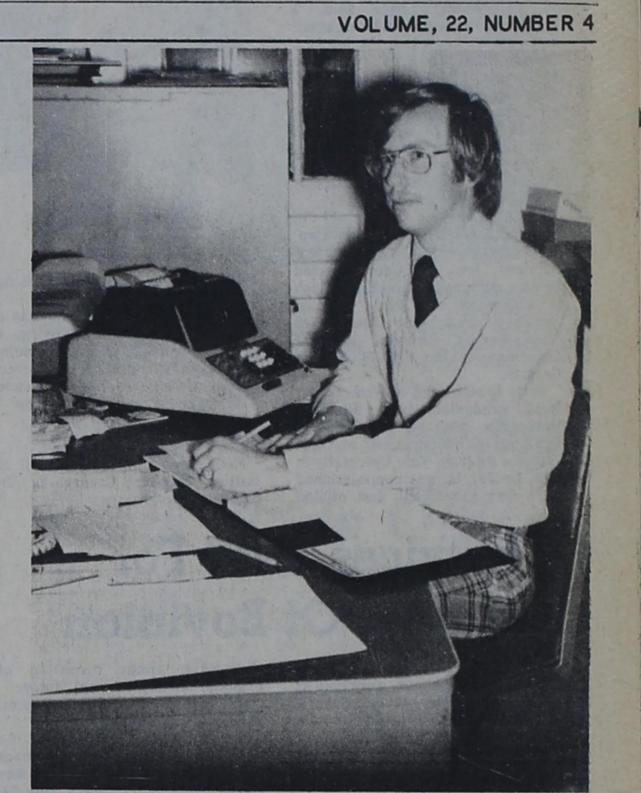
women--with two alternates. Entry fee is \$25 per team.

The number of entries will be unlimited and area towns, including Farwell, Friona, Muleshoe and Dimmitt, are invited to send teams. Preliminaries are to begin at 8 p.m. Thursday, August 18, at Mustang Stadium and the finals are scheduled at the same location Friday, August 19, from 2 to 4 p.m. A team trophy, plus individual trophies, will be awarded the first-place team in the contest. The second-place entry will also receive a team trophy.

Civic organizations, business firms and other clubs are invited to sponsor teams. Deadline for entering will be announced.

Admission will be \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children under 12 at both the preliminaries and the finals. Pre-school children will be admitted free.

For further information, those



area.

One thing is the possibility that an "industrial accident" could possibly result in the wiping out of a tremendous number of people. The same possibility would result in the case of sabotage.

Personally, we like to think that in our area of usually non-noticeable West Texas, we would be safe from a nuclear attack. But if Amarillo should get into the bomb-making business and stockpile the weapons, then it follows that it would be added to the list of cities which an enemy nation would attack should an attack ever be instigated against the United States.

And, we would assume that anyone living within 100 miles of such a "target area" would be in danger, should an attack ever be launched.

On the subject of accidental detonation, an article in this past Sunday's Amarillo News-Globe said that the danger of such an accidental detonation was "minimal." Personally, we would feel better, if we. lived close to the plant, if the danger could be termed "impossible."

Also, it was pointed out that an increase in the number of employees the Pantex plant would have should it undertake the neutron production would not necessarily escalate.

So, we would hurriedly ask the leaders of Amarillo and Pantex "Then why bother?"

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**THE CHIEF** landscape architect for the state of New Mexico has come up with the solution to lawn buffs who spend all summer in a continual progression of watering-fertilizingmowing.

Richard Brammer planted a mixture of blue grama, sideoats grama, western wheatgrass and buffalo grass on his lawn, and says he thinks he has the ideal turf.

He has a nice, soft turf, the architect says, and one that does not require nearly so much watering as bluegrass or bermuda, nor as many mowings.

By having a yard of native grass, the state employee says he has cut his work and water bills at least in half. And with many cities in the throes of a water shortage, and most areas at least in the midst of a drought, this is quite a consideration.

The main New Mexico outlet for native grass seeds is Curtis and Curtis Seed Company of Clovis. J.V. Curtis, owner, says he's had a lawn of buffalo grass and blue grama at

The parade, sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, is scheduled to begin at 1 p.m. on Friday, August 19.

First place winner in the float division will receive a cash prize of \$50, with a second-place award of \$30 and third place, \$20.

Children of all ages are urged to enter decorated tricycles, bicycles or motorcycles and to join the line of march.

An effort will be made to have a sponsor of a flat-bed trailer to carry tricycle riders along the route. This accommodation will be for the protection of the little ones.

All civic organizations and businesses in the community are urged to enter a float in the parade.

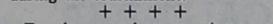
Company **Names New** Manager

Larry Manuel, 30, has been named manager of Bovina's Chemical Enterprises outlet, it was announced this week by company officials.

Manuel, who has a considerable background in agriculture, received his degree in Agriculture Education from Texas Tech University. He taught vo-ag at Spade and Olton High School before moving to this area.

He and his family live in Friona, where Manuel has been associated with Parmer County Implement Company as a salesman for the past two years. He is a native of Throckmorton, Texas.

Larry invites the farmers of the Bovina area to come by and get acquainted, and let him visit with them as to their agricultural chemical needs.



For the second consecutive year, the "Almost Anything Goes" contest will be included in the list of activities.

The events which are definitely set include six-man sack race, milk carton race, basketball-water tank shoot, back seat driver, spool race and the "Dagwood" race. Other competitive action is anticipated. Teams will be composed of six people--three men and three

interested in entering the contest or sponsoring a team can contact Gaylon Rhodes, Larry Scott or Steve Sherrill.

+ + + +The Old-Timers and Ex-Residents Reunion and Luncheon, sponsored annually by the Bovina Woman's Study Club, will be held in the Home Economics Cottage at 12 noon, Friday, August 19.

Registration will be conducted at (Continued on Page 2)



NEW SIGN .... Pete Polston, new owner of Hobo's Chicken and Steak House on Highway 60, has recently

installed an attractive new sign at the restaurant. Polston is shown in front of the sign.



The fourth annual "Little Miss" and "Miss Baby Doll" pageant, sponsored by the Bovina Jaycees, will be held on Thursday, August 18, at 6 p.m., in the high school auditorium.

The "Little Miss" contest will be

No mothers will be allowed backstage during rehearsals and pageant. Members of the Jaycee Wives will assist contestants in clothing changes and talent.

Contestants for "Miss Baby Doll" will model play attire and dressy outfits, while those competing for "Little Miss" honors will have a talent presentation, not to be under two minutes or over four minutes long, and will model dress clothing. Each contestant must submit a photograph with the entry blank, preferably a bill-fold size, either in black and white or color. Last year, Elyese Moody, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Moody, won "Little Miss" honors. Jennifer Beauchamp, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Beauchamp, was crowned "Miss Baby Doll." Runners-up in the "Little Miss" contest were Diane Heard and Melissa Glasscock. Runners-up for "Miss Baby Doll" were Marsha Shepherd and Libby Lynn Marshall. A total of 18 girls entered the pageant. Sponsors will be provided unless otherwise notified.

**LEAVING....Larry Gilley, Bovina's** city manager since February of 1976, has tendered his resignation to

accept a similar position with the City of Panhandle.

# **Gilley Resigns For Panhandle** Position

**Bovina City Manager Larry Gilley** has announced his resignation, effective on or about August 20. The Fort Worth native began his duties here the first week of February, 1976 working for the first five months under a federal grant through the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission.

Gilley, his wife, Jeri and son, Phillip Michael, are moving to Panhandle, where he will assume the task of city manager.

He received his BA degree in political science from Texas Tech University at Lubbock in December, 1975. His major involved concentration in public administration and his minor was sociology. The courses

#### led to a teacher certification in both fields.

Gilley is a member of Texas City Management Association; Panhandle Management Association; Jaycees; and Pi Sigma Alpha (political science honorary).

In his letter of resignation, addressed to the mayor and city council, Gilley said in part:

"I would like to take this opportunity to tnank the Mayor and Council, as well as all the employees of the City of Bovina for their assistance and cooperation during my tenure here. There will be many friends and experiences that Jeri and I will not forget and we wish only the best for Bovina in the future."

## Search For War Vets

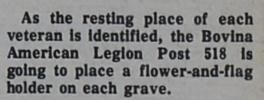
Elton and Marie Venable, Bovina, are undertaking the task of identifying the grave sites of all Veterans of Wars who are buried in the Bovina Cemetery. It is known there are 39 such sites. The search is tedious but the Venables believe the result can be worth the effort. They are asking help from anyone who has

information, even if it is vague. A clue can lead to a confirmed name and the war in which the veteran fought.

Rehearsal will be on August 17 at

4:00 for the Baby Doll contestants,

and 5:00 for the Little Miss



If you feel you can assist in identification, please phone Elton or Marie Venable at 806-238-1107. or write to them at Box 234, Bovina, Texas 79009.

Mr. and Mrs. Venable said, "We need a list so that no veteran is missed."



contestants. Mothers will not be allowed in the auditorium during rehearsals,

#### LITTLE MISS-BABY DOLL **OFFICIAL ENTRY BLANK**

his ranch home for 20 years.

Native grass can be watered only sporadically and it will look healthy.

The only danger in growing a lawn of native grass, the experts warn, is that if you aren't careful about what you're doing, you might end up with a "native weed patch."

Another tip on saving water is to set your mower high. This is said to reduce evaporation. The grass builds its own thatch.

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The value of all things, even our own time and life, depends on the use we make of them.

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She won't mend his socks because he won't buy her a new mink coat. If he doesn't give a wrap, she doesn't give a darn.



**NEW MANAGER....Larry Manuel** was named this week as manager of **Bovina's Chemical Enterprises** outlet. Manuel lives in Friona, where he has been associated with Parmer County Implement Company.

for girls of ages nine through 13, while the "Miss Baby Doll" competition will be for girls, ages four through eight.

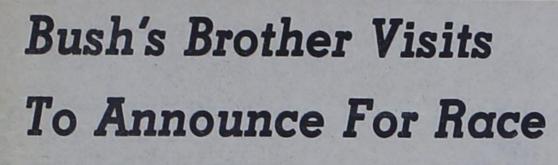
Businesses wishing to sponsor a contestant can contact Mrs. Gary Carson, Mrs. Toni Barrett, Mrs. Edward Terry, Mrs. Bruce Caldwell, Mrs. Larry Mitchell or Mrs. Ronnie Sudderth. Parents or grandparents are also eligible to sponsor their child or grandchild. Rules of the contest are:

Girls must be four to 13 on or before September 1, 1977, to be eligible in either division.

Deadline for entering is noon Friday, August 5. A \$5.00 fee is charged contestants, and sponsors also pay a \$5.00 fee. Blanks can be turned in to any one of the above named members, or mailed to Contest, Box 113, Bovina, 79009.

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George Bush announced his candidacy Tuesday for the Republican nomination for the U.S. House of Representatives from the 19th Congressional District. In announcing his candidacy Bush said, "I know this campaign will be an uphill battle, and I know that the job of a Congressman requires full time dedication. I look forward to the challenge and am enthusiastic about my chances for victory."

Bush is the son of George H.W. Bush who was director of the C.I.A. and U.S. Ambassador to the U.N. His father also served four years as a congressman from Houston.

Bush, thirty-one years old of Midland, is an independent oil man. He is Chairman of the Board of Field Services, Inc., an Odessa based 11 service company. In Midland Bush is active in the Little League Baseball Program, the First Presbyterian Church, and is Chairman of the 1977-78 Cancer Crusade.

Prior to returning to West Texas, Bush graduated from Harvard University with a Masters in Business Administration, and received a BA from Yale University in 1968. In 1969, he was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant and piloted

#### NEIL BUSH

F-102's for the Texas Air National Guard in Houston, Texas.

Bush's brother, Neil, who was in Bovina Tuesday, said, "George is going to work hard at understanding the business concerns of Parmer County. He believes that this district will be best represented by a businessman, and not by a professional politician."

Neil added that George will be visiting Parmer County as the campaign progresses.

## **Services Held For** Mother Of Bovinian

Services for Mrs. A.G. Lundberg, 78, of Route 5, Lubbock, were held at 3:30 p.m. Monday at the Asbury Methodist Church with the Rev. J. Lennol Hester, pastor, and the Rev. Harvey Whittenburg, pastor of the

rial Park under direction of Franklin-Bartley Funeral Home. Mrs. Lundberg died at 10:10 p.m. Saturday at her home.

She had been a resident of the Lubbock area for the past 35 years

## Reflections The Blade From

#### 20 YEARS AGO-AUGUST 7, 1957

"It's possible that we (Bovina) can get some paving this year," a member of Bovina's city commission announced Monday night in a regular meeting of the board in the city hall.

Rain, totaling some 21/2 inches, splashed down slowly on Bovina Monday morning. The surrounding area didn't, in most cases, get that much, but "it rained some nearly everywhere around," as one man explained it.

A 1957 Ford, appearing to be transporting considerable weight, aroused the suspicion of Sheriff Chas. Lovelace Sunday morning, and after investigating, the lawman found that the car contained 25 cases of beer-all quarts.

A petition bearing the signatures of some 50 Bovina School District taxpayers was presented to the school district equalization board at their July 30 session. The document requested that the board "readjust and reallocate" taxes for 1957.

Harry J. Charles was declared the winner of a 12-pound ham at a drawing Sunday afternoon during the Bovina-Hereford baseball game. + + + +

15 YEARS AGO-AUGUST 8, 1962 Cantaloupe harvest is slated to get underway here Friday and Saturday of this week. A portion of the 450 acres of cantaloupes in this area are scheduled to be ready for harvesting by then.

As many as 150 horses are expected to be entered in Second Annual Bovina Quarterhorse Show here Saturday, August 18.

conditioned-even the cars!" That

Band director, Joe Wayne Harper, announced this week that band practice will start Monday, August 14. Two all-regional band members will be back this year. They are Tommy Spears and Mike Grissom.

In memory of her husband, J.P. Macon, Mrs. Macon paid for all the coffee which was served Thursday at Bovina Restaurant and The Spudnut Shop. Mr. Macon died July

"J.P. thought so much of his coffee-drinking friends and this is something we wanted to do," Mrs. Macon said.

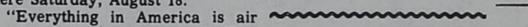
Mike Grissom, son of Mr. and Mrs. L.L. Grissom, left Tuesday on a chartered bus with other area high school students for a seminar at Baylor University.

+ + + + 5 YEARS AGO-AUGUST 9, 1972

Mrs. J.W. (Furne) Harris has been selected to receive the Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture's "Good Guy" award for August. She was selected on the basis of her volunteer work at the Bovina Lions Club concession stand at the baseball park for the past seven years.

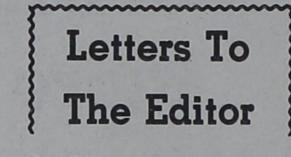
Bovina's city council voted to continue to go along with a state-sponsored project to install railroad crossing gates on the east crossing in Bovina. The plan calls for 80 per cent of the cost to be paid by the state.

Three 20-year-old men were taken into custody and charged with possession of marijuana about 1



a.m. Sunday at Bovina's city park by City Marshal Ronald Mitchell and Deputy Sheriff Henry Minter.

A four-day, Sunday through Wednesday, gospel meeting will be conducted at Bovina Church of Christ August 20-23, according to Cecil Bunch, minister. Evangelist for the services will be John McCourt of Amarillo.



#### Dear Editor:

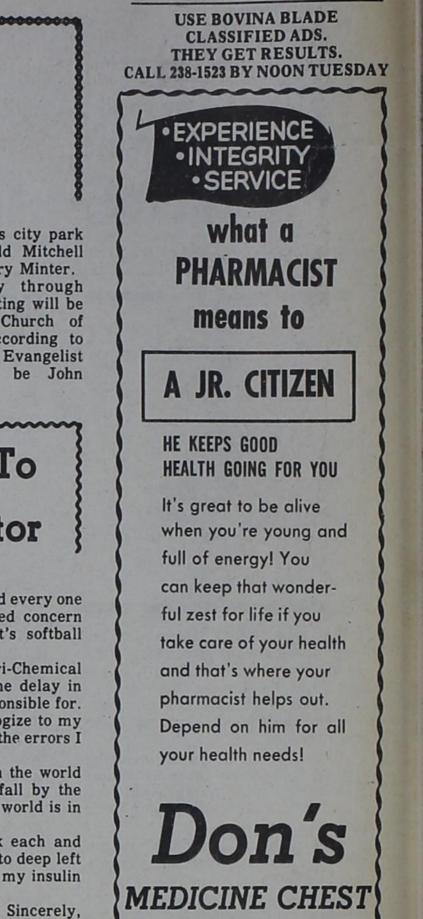
I wish to thank each and every one of the people who showed concern during Wednesday night's softball game.

I apologize to the Agri-Chemical team and officials for the delay in the game that I was responsible for. I would also like to apologize to my team, the Squirts, for all the errors I committed.

With people like this in the world to help the people who fall by the way, I don't see why the world is in the shape it is in today.

Again, I wish to thank each and every one who came out to deep left field to help me get over my insulin reaction.

Thad Rains P.S.: The Rains family would like to thank you all for helping Thad.



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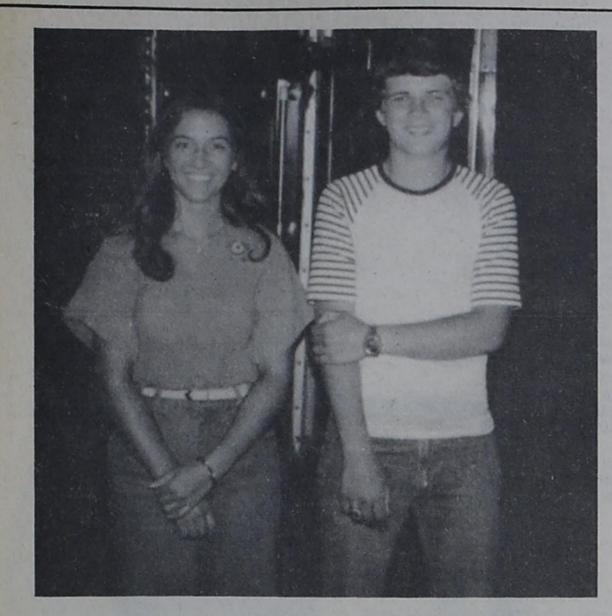
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ATTEND 4-H CONGRESS....Joan Carson, Bovina, Senior 4-H member and Gary Don Schueler of the Rhea 4-H Club were the Parmer County

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delegates to the 1977 Texas State 4-H **Congress in Corpus Christi. The four** day Congress began on Tuesday, July 19.

## **Two Friona Directors Attend Conference**

Plainview Production Credit Association directors Billy W. Carthel, vice president, and A.W. Anthony, Jr., both of Friona, join PCA officials throughout Texas in Arlington August 5 for the annual Production Credit Association Directors Conference.

Other Plainview PCA directors attending include H.L. Porter, Jr.,

pany the group said conference participants will bring directors up-to-date on farm financing at the state and national level and on activities and philosophies of the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank of Houston, source of most PCA loan funds.

Plainview PCA has loans out-

## **Two County Residents Attend State Congress**

Sea.'

"Oceans of Opportunity."

and cookout on Padre Island.

Sea"; "Maritime Careers"; "Ma-

rine Biology" and "Renewable Resources From The Sea."

Thursday afternoon the delegates

participated in a variety of activities

during some "free time" and that

night they assembled for the

The sessions were concluded on

Friday with a Congress Assembly

and installation of Texas 4-H Council officers for 1977-78. Delegates

headed for home that afternoon.

Congress Ball.

Forty-eight 4-H members from District 2 boarded a chartered bus in Lubbock and Lamesa on Monday, July 18, to attend the 1977 Texas State 4-H Congress in Corpus Christi.

Attending from Parmer County were Joan Carson, Bovina, Senior 4-H member and Gary Don Schueler of the Rhea 4-H Club.

On Tuesday, July 19, 584 4-H members from across the state registered for the four-day Congress, followed that evening by a seafood barbecue and recreation. Theme for the Congress was

## Practice To Begin

High School Athletic Director E.C. Jenkins announces that football prospects who wish to purchase football shoes should come to the field house on Wednesday, August 3, between 2 and 4 p.m.

Football practice for the high school begins on Monday, August 8. Physical forms will be available on Monday, August 1, for boys at the junior high level.

## **Grain Sorghum Support**

## Levels To Be Boosted

"Grain sorghum farmers will receive a substantial boost in price Congress and the Administration on support levels if the proposal passed the new legislation. It is hoped that July 22 by the U.S. House of congressional action on the bill will When asked what brought Representatives becomes law," be completed before Congress according to Elbert Harp, executive director of Grain Sorghum Producers Association. While considering the 1977 farm bill, the House voted on a proposal introduced by Congressman Poage to establish the grain sorghum target price levels in relation to its cost of production, which is a change from the present system of setting sorghum's target price in relation to 95 per cent of corn's nutritional value, "This change would increase target levels for sorghum in the future program and the 1977 crop by at least 50 cents per hundred pounds," Harp reported. Sorghum's lean rates will continue to be set in relation to the nutritional value of corn, so grain sorghum will sell in the market. Target prices are the levels that guarantee the average price received by farmers and are determined by the national weighted average price received during the period of October 1 through February 28. If the average market prices received by farmers drop below the target price level then deficiency payments will be paid to the farmer on all his qualified production. Harp stated that the House and Senate Conference Committee will have to accept this provision by a favorable vote on the entire farm bill. The bill then must be signed into law by the President before the provisions go into effect. "The change in computing grain sorghum target prices originated in the U.S. Department of Agriculture by Secretary Bergland and is endorsed by the House. We are hopeful that it will be adopted by the full Congress," Harp said. Grain Sorghum Producers Association has worked throughout the last year to get the best possible farm bill for the farmers, and Harp has been in Washington, D.C. for the

last two weeks working with

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second from left, looks over a copy and a close friend, Mrs. Joan of last week's Bovina Blade offered Merenda. The three visitors are Mrs. Longley's left, also interested, recently toured this area.

VISITORS .... Mrs. Rose Longley, are her daughters, Barbara Reopell, by the paper's editor, Dick Jones. On from New Haven, Conn. and

# **Connecticut Resident** Visits Blade Office

Mrs. Rose Longley of New Haven, decided to pick it up personally." Conn., was visiting the Bovina area As a matter of fact, the lady has for the past eight days and, along two sisters in the area, Mrs. Janice with her daughter, her sister and a friend who accompanied her, Jones of Pleasant Hill, both of whom stopped in The Blade office for a chat with the paper's editor, who formerly worked with Mrs. Longley in a telephone directory printing the tremendous reaches of this state,

Texas and Bovina, she humorously was an hour's flight time, by jet,

Clement of Hub and Mrs. Barbara migrated from Connecticut to Texas.

Speaking about her impressions of Mrs. Longley replied: "I didn't give When asked what brought her to it much thought until I realized there

president, Petersburg; Ray Robertson, Dimmitt; and Harley Wells, Plainview.

James A. Rogers, Plainview PCA general manager who will accomstanding of approximately \$67.7 million to area farmers and ranchers in Bailey, Briscoe, Castro, Floyd, Hale, Lamb, Parmer and Swisher counties.

# Lucky old sum

Maybe it's a trip to Europe or it could be Sally's college education or maybe just for a rainy day ... Whatever it is a person feels kind of lucky having a sum of money in a safety insured savings account. Let one of our financial specialists show you the many savings plans we offer.

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Ole Sum.

adjourns for a summer vacation in claimed, "I was tired of receiving The Blade through the mail so I early August.

## **JULY 25**

## **TUCO, INC. Elects New Vice President**

INC. at their quarterly meeting Monday, July 25, elected Dale T. Garner vice president and principal operating officer. The announcement was made by Berl M. Springer, vice chairman of the board of directors of the Amarillo-based firm.

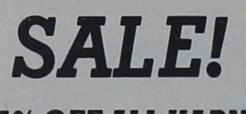
TUCO INC. is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Southwestern Public Service Company and provides a large portion of the electric company's fuel requirements, including natural gas, coal and fuel oil. TUCO INC. also produces other liquid hydrocarbon by-products for sale to non-related wholesalers. Garner is a native of Manning, Kansas, and is a graduate of Oklahoma University. He joined Southwestern Public Service Company on April 1, 1977 as an executive assistant in the finance department. Before coming to SPS, Garner served as a systems analyst for the Occidental Exploration and Production Company and as administrative manager for Esso Exploration, Inc. in Tokyo, Japan. His past experience also includes various financial and operational positions with the Creole Petroleum Corporation and the Carter Oil Company. "The management of TUCO INC. carried with it the extremely

The board of directors of TUCO important responsibility of providing fuel for Southwestern Public Service Company," Springer said. "Garner is a seasoned oil and gas executive and brings to TUCO INC. a wealth of world-wide experience."

from Dallas to Amarillo. I'm sure that I need more time to grasp the concept."

Questioned about some of her first-time experiences, she explained that she has never seen corn as beautiful as the crops around here; she helped move irrigation pipes, which she had never done, and her daughter (Barbara) rode horses for the first time.

Mrs. Longley is glad the trio had the opportunity to visit Bovina and the surrounding area, not only because of the welcomed sisterly reunion but, as she said: "I will never again look unbelievingly at a Texan when he talks about his home state. Almost everything I have heard along these lines, I believe, are absolutely true."

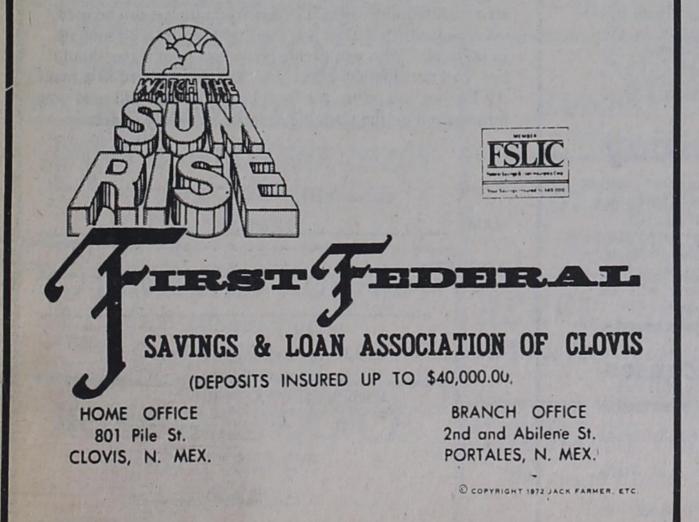


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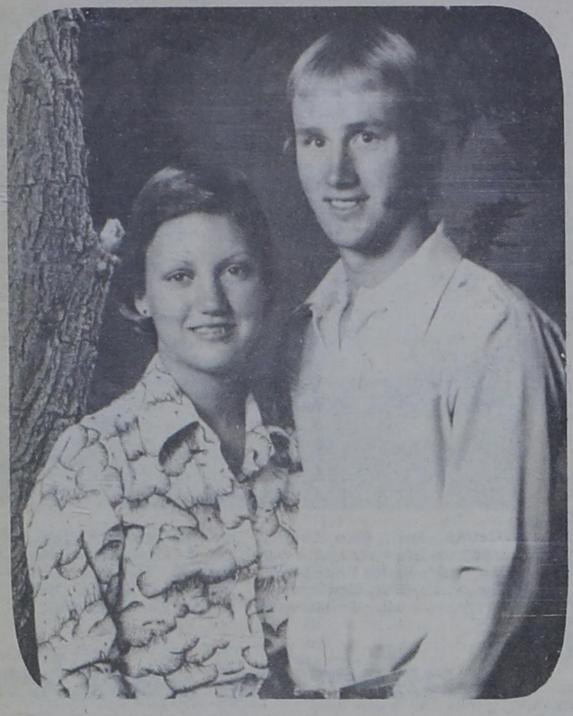
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# Need a fence that's strong and stout? Let your fingers picket out.





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JOYCE ELAINE HARBISON and CHUCK GILBREATH ..... Mr. and Mrs. Billy Harbison of Bovina announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Joyce Elaine, to Chuck Gilbreath, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gilbreath, also of Bovina.

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The couple will exchange wedding vows on Saturday, September 24, at 8 p.m. in the First Baptist Church of Bovina. Miss Harbison attended school in Bovina and Edcouch. Gilbreath, a graduate of Bovina High School, is employed at Charles Oil Co.

## **Plainview Is Site Of Arts & Crafts Festival**

The 1977 edition of the Running sidered for participation should

# **Gwen Clements Receives** Award

Mrs. Gwen Sikes Clements has been nominated and accepted for the award of Community Leaders and Noteworthy Americans and her biography will appear in the 1976-1977 edition of Community Leaders and Noteworthy Americans in recognition of past achievements and outstanding service to the community and state.

At the age of 12, she began playing for Sunday School and church at the First Methodist Church in Clovis, N.M., and began teaching piano when she was 14 but stopped for a brief time when she married Jimmie Clements of Muleshoe and had her family of three children: Denise Jones, Bovina; Buddy, Lubbock, and Janie, who will be a junior in high school this year. Mrs. Clements is the daughter of Mrs. Herbert Sikes of Clovis.

She has been teaching piano, organ and theory in this area for many years. A graduate of the Dunning Course of Improved Music, she attends many music workshops in Texas and New Mexico, as well as being the organist of the First

## 22 Attend **Breakfast**

The Bovina Christian Men's Fellowship Prayer Breakfast was hosted Monday at 6:30 a.m. by Catholic laymen at St. Ann's Parish Hall.

The day started with a blessing and praise to God by J.T. Hammonds. The men shared a breakfast of bacon and eggs, hot biscuits and jelly, coffee, milk and orange juice.

United Methodist Church.

A portion of her activities includes: past member and officer of the Bovina Woman's Study Club; past member and officer of the First United Methodist Women's Society of Christian Service and the Wesleyan Service Guild; past president of the Dunning Teachers Association, Amarillo District, and a member of the American College of Musicians, where her students play before a national judge in Clovis, each year.

Mrs. Clements holds membership in the World's International Who's Who in Music and the World's Who Who of Women.

Z. Villareal

## **Is Minister**

## At St. Ann's

Zeferino Villareal, 47, a resident of Bovina, was born in Rio Grande City and spent most of his childhood there and in Mission. He is preparing for ministry in his own parish of St. Ann's, this city, and its mission, St. Teresa's, Friona.

Villareal and his wife, Rita, have ten children and are engaged in farm labor, the work he has done all his life.

He ministers to his community by giving marriage and baptismal instructions, distributing communion at Mass and to the sick, and by assisting at funerals and weddings. He is a Cursillista and a member of Sacred Heart Society.



**RECEIVES AWARD....Gwen Cle**ments is shown holding the plaque she received recently from the "Community Leaders and Note-

Roy Lee Stowers, Friona; Elmina

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Troy White and baby girl, Friona;

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ADMISSIONS-

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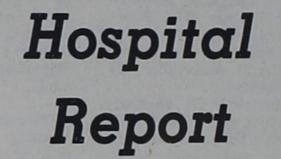
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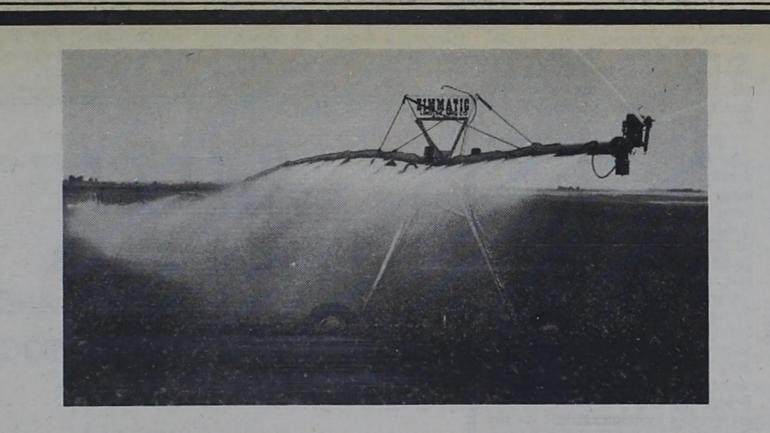
Water Draw Arts and Crafts Festival opens October 14-16 at the Hale County Agricultural Center in Plainview, Texas. Co-sponsored by the Plainview Rotary Club and Llano Estacado Museum, the event has already attracted more than 100 talented artists and craftsmen from Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma. Because of this overwhelming participation, Festival Director Rob Strong has announced the addition of twenty-four more booths in a room immediately adjacent to the main exhibit area of the Ag Center. Anyone interested in being conwrite to him for information and application forms in care of Llano Estacado Museum, Plainview, Texas 79072.

All applications are juried by a standards committee and only handcrafted items are accepted. The booth fee is \$10.00, and the Festival collects 10 per cent of the first \$600 in sales.

These new booths are expected to fill rapidly. They will be assigned on the basis of postmark of application and media of the artist. Interested persons should apply immediately.

Speaking to the group on "Being A 'Noisy' Christian" and using scriptural quotes was Coach Teddy Giddens of Friona. Also appreciated by the gathering was Coach Giddens' testimony of Christian activity in football. He dismissed the group with a prayer.

Stanley Klimek reminded the men of the next prayer breakfast at the Baptist Fellowship Hall on September 5.



### **Zimmatic Low Pressure** waters down overhead

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## **Shower Set** Friday For Chris Moore

A come-and-go shower, honoring Chris Moore and twin sons, James and John, will be held on Friday, August 5, from 2 till 4 p.m. in the home of Tonya Gober, 1202 Eighth Street.

Hostesses will be Maudee Grissom, Bonnie Clayton, Nancy Rundell, Patt Turner, Sandra Clayton, Dianne Allison, Patricia Turner and Tonya Gober.

## Mrs. Campbell To Be Feted With Shower

A baby shower honoring Mrs. Doug Campbell (the former Debra Kirkpatrick) will be held in the home of Mrs. Grady Sorley on Saturday, August 13, from 10 to 11:30 a.m.

Hostesses will be Mrs. Paul Jones, Mrs. Gary Beauchamp, Mrs. Don Murphy, Mrs. Bruce Caldwell, Mrs. Ronny Dyer, Mrs. Mike Beauchamp and Mrs. Grady Sorley.

Kassahn Wedding Saturday

Wedding vows for Janet Dell Kassahn and David W. Thomas will be exchanged Saturday, August 6 at 6 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church of Bovina.

Friends are invited to attend the wedding and the reception in the home of Thomas M. Caldwell.

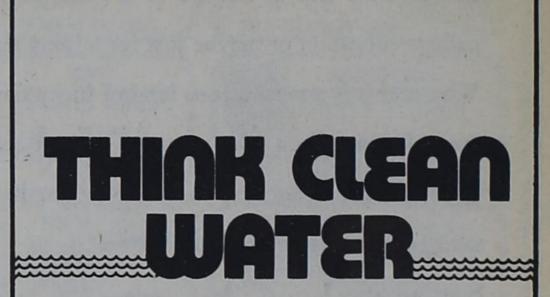
## Homemakers

#### **DISMISSALS**-

Richard Deel, Terry Modes, Junior Clark, Roy Lee Stowers, Elmina Carlton, Jean Ann Wilkins, Annie Scott, Mrs. Raul Claudio and baby girl, Gaylon Rhodes, Rickey Niavez, Mrs. Buddy Foster and baby boy, Raymond Auburg, and Mrs. Troy White and baby girl.

#### PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL-

Lewis West, Debbie Deering, Lawrene Martin, Mrs. Lupe Casares and baby girl and Rashad Kirven.



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## **Meet Tuesday**

The Young Homemakers will meet on Tuesday, August 9, at 4 p.m. in the United Methodist Church. The program will be given by Kay Wilemon of "Final Touch" of Clovis. New members and visitors will be welcome and a nursery will be provided.

#### **Marriage Licenses**

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Ricky Joe Strickland and Brenda Gaye Kennedy. Darrell Hugh Roth and Delia Anette Snyder. Randy Gene Burton and Cynthia Dianne Rogers.

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## Senate Action Due

## On Rural Health Bill

Senator Lloyd Bentsen said last week he is hopeful that the Senate will take action soon, possibly before the August recess, on legislation he is pushing to make medical care available to elderly and disabled residents in many of the 23 Texas counties that have no medical doctors.

At Bentsen's urging, Senator Herman Talmadge (D-Ga.), chairman of the Senate Finance Subcommittee on Health, has called hearings on the legislation for this Thursday. The proposal could be reported to the full Senate as early as the latter part of next week.

"Many rural areas in Texas have been unable to attract medical doctors. For example, when someone in Olton, Texas--a South Plains town of 2,000--gets sick or is injured, he has to either drive 30 miles to Littlefield or 23 miles to Plainview for medical care. This is a special hardship on the elderly and disabled," Bentsen said.

"The fact is that as of the last count, on December 31, 1973, there were 23 Texas counties that had no medical doctors. We lead the country in the number of counties without physicians."

The legislation Bentsen is backing provides that in rural areas where no medical doctors are available, Medicare can reimburse health clinics for service provided by either physician assistants or nurse

practitioners. Under present law such Medicare payments can be made only to physicians.

Bentsen, a member of the Health Subcommittee, introduced the House version of the health care legislation Monday in a preliminary maneuver. It was co-sponsored by Senators Talmadge and Robert Dole (R-Ka.) to facilitate the coming hearings, which will include both House and Senate versions of the legislation.

"I am hopeful the Senate will take action quickly on this legislation. The present Medicare reimbursement policy makes it difficult--and in some cases impossible--for the elderly and disabled residents of many rural areas to receive any Medicare benefits at all," Bentsen said.

"The issue in these areas is not the quality of health care, but the very existence of it," Senator Bentsen said.

## **Church News**

ST. ANN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH Masses at Bovina: Sunday morning at 8:30.

Masses .at Friona: Saturday evening at 7:00; Sunday morning at 10:30.

Confessions: Bovina--Saturday, 10 a.m. till 3 p.m. Friona--Saturday, 5:30 p.m. till 6:30 p.m.

Baptisms every first Sunday of the month.

New series of instructions start every first Sunday of month at 8 p.m.

Servers for August 7: Guy Brockman, Terry Jesko, Janson Schilling.

Communion distributors for August 7: Andy Martinez, Zeferino Villarreal.

A farewell covered dish supper honoring the Jim Balls will be held in St. Teresa's Parish Hall August 7 at 6:30 p.m. The Balls are moving to Plainview soon. Please bring enough food for your family. Everyone is invited.

We learned on Friday that another Parish family is moving: Richard and Virginia Rendon have moved to Dumas to start his new job there on August 1. We will miss them and wish them the best.

Meeting: August 1-5, deacon study week and retreat at West Texas State University, Canyon. UNITED METHODIST CHURCH From the guest register: Vonda Richards, Hereford, Texas; Dana Brewer, Lorenzo, Texas; Mrs. W.R. Beaird, Hereford; Mrs. Paul Gray, Newport News, Virginia, and Wesley Harden, Plano, Texas.

Happy Birthdays: July 28, Joe Fowler; 29, Joel Nelson. August 2, Mrs. G.A. Bandy, Glendon Sudderth. Last week we reported Mrs. Pearl Hastings as a member of the Over-Eighty Club. July 15, she entered the decade of the Nineties. Congratulations!

Come visit Japan. Share in the color of her timeless traditions. Hear the whispering music of a faraway land. "Shiokari Pass," to be shown in our church August 14.

"Dear Friends: Your recent gift of \$26.34 has been deposited in the Children's Fund for Christian Mission.

"Please accept this letter as a "thank you' in behalf of those projects receiving contributions through this Fund. The project in which you were especially interested will receive a fair share of the total contributions for the year....

"Sincerely, The Board of Discipleship, United Methodist Church."

# Cattlemen's Assn. To Meet In Austin

Prominent state and national leaders will headline as guest speakers at the Independent Cattlemen's Association 3rd annual convention in Austin August 4-7, President T.A. Cunningham announced recently.

Austin's Mayor Carole McClellan will give the welcome address when the convention officially opens for business Friday, August 5 at 10 a.m. Keynote speaker that morning at 10:30 will be Gov. Dolph Briscoe, a South Texas rancher as well as the state's top political leader. Briscoe will be joined at the speakers' podium by U.S. Rep. Bob Krueger.

Saturday, August 6, activities include talks by Dick Ray, vice president of the Independent Food and Energy Producers; Sen. William N. Patman, Senate agriculture subcommittee chairman; and Rep. Joe Hubenak, Texas House agriculture and livestock committee chairman.

House Speaker Bill Clayton will address the convention participants at 11:30 a.m. Saturday.

Convention headquarters are at Austin's Sheraton Crest Inn overlooking the Colorado River. Convention activities will be staged at Municipal Auditorium near the downtown area. Participants are promised a full slate of activities including a reception, a western dance and election of new officers. Pre-registration will be from 1-10

p.m. at the Sheraton Thursday, August 4. Providing entertainment for the general assembly Friday morning wil be the Bastrop High School Band. Austin county western singer Jess DeMaine and his band, Texas Silver, will play for the western dance Friday, August 5.

The convention will end Sunday, August 7, after ICA directors and councilors have met.

Cunningham said that convention speakers will provide an excellent overview of this nation's agricultural policies and he expects hundreds of cattlemen to converge in Austin during the weekend of the convention.

He noted that, "everyone in any way connected with the Independent Cattlemen's Association and the cattle producing industry in Texas can benefit from the programs on the agenda."



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## **Courthouse Notes**

Instrument Report Ending June 29, 1977, in County Clerk Office, Bonnie Warren, County Clerk

WD, Sue C. White, John Fred White, SW-pt. Sec. 31, T1N;R4E WD, Antulio A. Barraza, Jose D. Rodriquez, N 70' lots 16 thru 20, Blk. 57, Bovina

WD, Benthal Byatt, William Gromowsky, SE 1/4 Sec. 21, T4S; R4E WD, Gifford-Hill & Co., Western Ag Sales, 6.96 ac. out Leag. 549, part of OT Farwell OGL, Mrs. T.W. Ferguson, F.F.

Bozeman, E1/2 Sec. 73, Blk. H, Kelly WD, Warlick Thomas, et al, Albert R. Terry, lots 21 and 22, Blk. 18, Farwell

WD, Lee A. Gable, Billy Carl Gable, SE¼ Sec. 67, Blk. Y, Johnson.

#### MARRIAGE LICENSES

Thomas Kenneth DeWitt, Jr. and Gwendolyn Lorene Rundell. Bobby Sanchez and Barbara Madrid.

Instrument Report Ending July 6, 1977, in County Clerk Office, Bonnie Warren, County Clerk WD, L.E. Meeks, Truitt Hardage, lots 25, 26, 27, Blk. 5, Farwell WD, Charles C. Scales, Donald W. Gatlin, lots 9 and 10, Blk. 71, Friona WD, Carrol K. Gatlin, Donald Gatlin, lots 13, 14, Blk. 7, Friona WD, Annis D. Turner and Betty Jeane Coker, Mollie J. Stacey, W1/2 lots 5 and 6, Blk. 1, Turner Add., Friona WD, Phillip Don White, Alfredo

Ramirez, lot 13, Eastview Add., Bovina

WD, Santos Rando, Jr., Carrol Gatlin, W 70 ft. lots 7 and 8, Blk. 9, McMillen & Fergus, Friona

WD, Joy Denise Bartley, Eugenia Louise Frazier, N 28 ft. lot 11 and all lot 12, Blk. 5, Drake, Friona WD, James Russell Atwell, Lee Roy Nuttall, lot 3 and S1/2 lot 2, Blk.

8, Staley Add., Friona WD, T.A. Sherley, Adams Drilling

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Peterson, E1/2 Sec. 27, T2N;R4E.

**Instrument Report Ending June 22,** 1977, in County Clerk Office, Bonnie Warren, County Clerk

WD, George A. Miner, Clinton C. Ward, SR

WD, David Mobley, Joe Bermea, lot 20, Blk. 1, Ridgeview Add., Friona

WD, Norman Taylor, et al, Steve Sherrill, lots 6 thru 10, Blk. 11, Bovina

WD, W.R. Mabry, Billy Lynn Marshall, 5 ac. out NE-cor. Sec. 14, T6S;R3E

WD, W.R. Mabry, Leroy Johnson, Pt. E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Sec. 14, T6S;R3E

WD, Jon Mack Roden, Kenneth Ray Jeter, lot 10 and E 25 ft. lot 11, Blk. 3, Western Add., Friona

WD, Charlie Phipps, Ronald G. Harkey, 145.2 ft. x 150 ft. out NE1/4 Sec. 31, T1N;R4E

WD, Janice Cain Snell, William T. Knoy, lots 13 thru 16, Blk. 36, Farwell

WD, Loyd E. Smith, Sella Murlene Smith, lots 10, 11, 12, Blk. 37, Farwell WD, Clyde Perkins, Billy B. Sides, S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> lot 3, Blk. J, Okla. Lane Ceme.

WD, L.F. Jacobs, J.A. Rushing, lot 1 and NE 13 ft. lot 2, Blk. 1, Ridgelea Sub., Bovina

WD, Joe Saiz, Refugio Daniel Saiz, lots 2 and 3, Blk. 87, Friona WD, Jim McDowell, Benny D.

Sandovall, lot 10, Blk. 46, Friona. MARRIAGE LICENSES

William Walter Linville and Maria Elena Estrada.

Hector Javier Robledo and Cristina Gutierrez.

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WD, Eugenia Louise Frazier, Jesus Bermea, N 28' Lt. 11, all Lt. 12, Blk. 5, Drake Rev. Sub. Add. to Friona

WD, Rev. John Wayne Frazier, Eugenia Louise Frazier, N 28' Lt. 11, all Lt. 12, Blk. 5, Drake Rev. Sub. Add. to Friona.

WD, Harold McGee, Bobby McGee, S 15 ac tr. 4 out SW-pt. Sec. 40, D & K Sub.

WD, Ovid Lawlis, Billy Harbison, Lts. 9 and 10, SW1/2 Lt. 8, Blk. 79, Bovina

Deed, Billy R. Boling, USA, E 50' Lt. 1, Blk. 49, OT Bovina

Deed, Billy R. Boling, USA, Tr. in Lot 4, Blk. 28, OT Bovina

Deed, U.S.A., Ollie B. Rodgers, Lot 10, Blk. 1, Ridgeview Add., Friona

WD, Mildred Richards, Earl Richards, Lots 5, 6, and 7, Blk. 19, Bovina

WD, Cash Richards, Earl Richards, Und. int. S1/2 Lot 7, all Lots 8, 9, 10, Blk. 23, Bovina

WD, O.L. Winkles, Ernest L. Howard, tract out of Garden Lt. 22, Sec. 31, T9S;R1E

WD, Zane A. Reeves, Nellie J. Roach, Lot 10, Blk. 4, Ridgelea Sub. to City of Bovina.

#### MARRIAGE LICENSES

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**Tomas Olivarez and Barbara Ann** Vargas.

Ronald Lee Cain and Myrna Gaye Gatlin.

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## STILL UNBEATEN

# **Big Nick Paces League**

Twelve games were played from July 26 through July 30 in the Lions Club Slow-Pitch Softball League. Big Nick continued to set the pace with two wins and an 8-0 record, followed by Agri-Chemical, holding the second spot at 6-1-1. Charles Oil moved into third place with a 6-2 season to date, while Agri-Sprayers slipped into a fourth-place tie with the Indians, each standing at 5-2. Parmer County Spraying is sixth, sporting a 4-3 total, followed by Sherley Grain, 4-3-1; Lungs Ford and Squirts sharing eighth place with 2-5; Bovina Jaycees, tenth, 3-5; First Baptist Men, 11th, 1-6; Latinos, 12th, 1-7 and Bovina Pump in the 13th slot at 2-7.

**Tuesday**, July 26 Squirts took Bovina Pump, 9-7 and Agri-Chemical won over Lungs Ford, 9-1.

Wednesday, July 27 Indians slipped by Bovina Jaycees, 15-12; Parmer County Spraying yielded to Charles Oil, 15-3.

Thursday, July 28 Big Nick, unbeaten, trampled Latinos, 23-5, while Bovina Pump held on to best First Baptist Men, 26-19.

#### Friday, July 29

Sherley Grain, unable to match the play of Big Nick, succumbed, 14-5; Indians took the measure of Squirts, 19-3 and Lungs Ford scraped by Bovina Jaycees, 16-14.

Saturday, July 30 Charles Oil, taking its second win of the week, beat Bovina Pump, 16-11; Agri-Sprayers prevailed, 16-9. over First Baptist Men and Agri-Chemical squelched Latinos, 21-4.

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Big Nick	8	0
Agri-Chemical	6	1
Charles Oil		2
Agri-Sprayers		2
Indians	5	2
<b>Parmer County Spraying</b>		3
Sherley Grain		3
Lungsford		5
Squirts		5
Bovina Jaycees		5
First Baptist Men		6
Latinos	1	7
Bovina Pump	2	7

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The Lions Club has voted to donate all profits from the concession stand on Saturday, August 6, to the Gaylene Varner Fund, which it recently established. Any additional donations made on that night will be acknowledged and appreciated. + + + +

SCHEDULE

Games scheduled for the next six playing nights are as follows:

THURSDAY (tomorrow)-Bovina Jaycees vs. First Baptist Men; Agri-Chemical vs. Indians.

FRIDAY -- Squirts vs. Parmer County Spraying; Charles Oil vs. Agri-Sprayers; First Baptist Men vs. Agri-Chemical.

SATURDAY-Latinos vs. Squirts; Parmer County Spraying vs. Bovina Jaycees; Charles Oil Co. vs. Agri-Chemical.

MONDAY-Big Nick vs. First Baptist Men; Lungs Ford vs. Sherley Grain.

**TUESDAY--Latinos vs. First** Baptist Men; Bovina Pump vs. Big Nick.

WEDNESDAY-Indians vs. Bovina Pump; Agri-Sprayers vs. Lungsford.

# School Land Fund **Begins Paying Off**

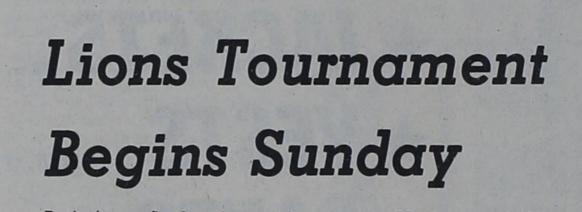
During the regular meeting of the Parmer County Commissioners Court on Monday, July 25, it was brought to the attention of the court by Judge Paul Fortenberry that the recently passed Texas Education Bill will benefit Parmer County's school districts, in that it allows the districts in the county to draw from money from the permanent school fund.

An amendment was added to the bill by the county's senator in Austin, Max Sherman. Bill Clayton also supported the measure.

According to Judge Paul Fortenberry, the county's schools will be able to draw from yearly interest on the fund, which is around \$800,000. The annual interest yield is between \$55,000 and \$60,000. The schools will be paid pro-rata, according to their average daily attendance figures.

The money received from this permanent school fund will not affect in any way the amount of money received by each school district from the state's Foundation School program.

The new arrangement will mark the first time that residents of the county can benefit in any way from the permanent school fund, which has been building up for a number of



years, with no legal means of using the money, or its earned interest. During the Monday meeting, the commissioners passed a resolution for the Judge to write letters of appreciation to Senator Sherman and House Speaker Clayton, thanking them for their efforts on behalf of the county's taxpayers. The permanent school fund is

currently on deposit at Friona State Bank, and is drawing interest.

In other business, the court passed a resolution appointing the county's election officials for 1977.

Those appointed, with their alternates, were: Black: Louise Roberson (Ethel Benger); Friona: Mrs. Ray Landrum (Mrs. Ira Holt); Bovina: J.E. Sherrill, Jr. (Mrs. Elton R. Venable); Farwell: Albert Smith (Mrs. Albert Smith); Lazbuddie: C.C. Matthews, Jr. (Alton Morris); Oklahoma Lane: Clarence Johnson (Harold Carpenter); Rhea: Raymond Schueler (Jack D. Patterson); Lakeview: Otho Whitefield (Mrs. Russell O'Brian).

In another resolution, the commissioners complimented Mrs. Vernon Estes of Bovina on her reports of a meeting of the International Women's Year, which have just been published in all three

newspapers within the county. The court requested that the state

treasurer return \$31,466.71 to the county for its lateral road fund. Jana Pronger, county home

demonstration agent, was praised for her work in taking a group of 4-H youngsters to Six Flags, and was re-imbursed for expenses incurred in the trip. Also approved was purchase of draperies for Miss Pronger's office.

Discussion was held relative to the possibility of the county obtaining some equipment through the "excess property" program and the PRPC. The county has requested two 11/4 ton trucks and four 21/2 ton, but whether or when they will be received is not known.

The tax assessor-collector's report on delinquent taxes was heard, showing \$5,285.79 due from insolvent persons, and \$7,398 from land and lots, was noted and approved.

A motion was passed setting the county's budget hearing for the 1978 fiscal year for September 12, beginning at 2 p.m.

It was reported that Judge Fortenberry has contacted Santa Fe Railway in regard to controlling bindweed along the railroad right of way in Parmer County.

The brackets:



**Rebates Running Ahead Of Last Year** 

State Comptroller Bob Bullock said last week that city sales tax rebates to date for 1977 are running a healthy 20.3 per cent ahead of last year.

Bullock said his office mailed rebate checks Friday totaling \$23.6 million to 868 Texas cities for their July share of the one per cent city sales tax.

rebated to Texas cities for the first seven months of this year. This compares to \$158.6 million for the same period last year.

"These rebates are just another sign of the strength of the Texas economy," Bullock said.

He also noted that state sales tax collections in Texas are registering a bigger percentage increase than

will get a July sales tax rebate check for \$4.7 million and Dallas and San Antonio will receive \$3.2 million and \$1.3 million, respectively.

Bovina's share of the city sales tax for July is \$1,213.22. For the year to date, the city has received \$8,958.77, compared to \$7,481.95 as of the same month in 1976. The increased amount represents a 19 per cent upward change from 1976.

The July checks boost to \$190.7 million the total that has been

any other state. Bullock said the City of Houston

## **Officers Search For Theft Clues**

Parmer County Sheriff's deputies are searching for a red and white 1962 Ford car believed connected with the Saturday night theft of some machinery at the Ralph Shelton barn five miles south and west of Friona.

**County Sheriff Charles Lovelace** said Wednesday that neighbors had seen the vehicle in the area Saturday compressor, a battery charger and an electric welder missing from the barn.

During last weekend Friona Police Chief Bill Denney said a CB radio was taken from a pickup belonging to Kenyth Cass while it was parked at Friona Engine and Diesel Repair at 1008 Washington. The radio was a Side Pace-Side

The pickup, 1974 black Ford, had the right hand glass and inside mirror broken out. Denney said scratches were found both on the inside and outside of the door around the window area.

A case of criminal mischief was reported at 10 p.m. Sunday night when the north window at 1010 West 5th St. was shot out by a BB gun fired

Beginning on Sunday, August 14, the Lions Club Slow Pitch League will hold a four-day double elimination tournament involving the teams finishing in the first six slots during the regular season. Trophies will be awarded to the teams finishing first and second in the tournament.

The action will start at 3:30 p.m. at the ball field. The schedule:

Sunday, August 14 Game No. 1, 3:30 p.m.; Game No. 2, 4:40 p.m.

Monday, August 15 Game No. 3, 7:00 p.m.; Game No. 4, 8:10 p.m.; Game No. 5, 9:20 p.m.

**Tuesday**, August 16 Game No. 6, 7:00 p.m.; Game No. 7, 8:10 p.m.; Game No. 8, 9:20 p.m.

Wednesday, August 17 Game No. 9, 8:00 p.m.; Game No. 10, 9:10 p.m.; Game No. 11, 10:20 p.m.

No. No. 10 No. 2 -Loser Game 7 Loser Game 3 Loser No. 9 Game 4 Loser No. 8 Game 1 No. 5 No. 6 Loser Game 2

