

BOVINA'S ROCKETS REALLY GLARE.....Bovina's firemen entertained a large crowd with their fireworks display on July 4. The show at the football field lasted for about 15 minutes and was appreciated by the entire community. ron carr photos

Damaged Texas Cotton Acres **Replanted To Grain Sorghum**

(Reprinted from the Grain torrential rains and hail in based Plains Cotton Growers, cited favorable moisture Sorghum News)

early June. At press time, flooding and hail up to profiles as well as adequate supplies of seed for short to mid-season sorghum varieties.

Local Lady Is Poetry Nat'l Semi-Finalist

(Editor's Note: This poem by Mary Rose Englant of Bovina was selected as a semi-finalist in a Famous Poets Society contest in Hollywood, California. It will also be published in an anthology called A Treasury of Great Poems, which is in the Library of Congress.)

The Day of My Birth

Grain sorghum plantings producers in the area were stand to increase on the continuing to assess the Texas High Plains as cotton situation and consider their crops fell victim to below- options. temperatures, normal

THE PRESIDENT, as well as many members of congress seem so sure that rigid gun control will cut down on murders, especially by young people.

We hope that they noticed that in the case of the young man in Indiana/Illinois who

went on the killing spree man-aged to go around the regular gun dealers and get the weapons he used for all of the killings.

Their pompous pronouncements such as "I have just introduced in Congress;" or "I have just signed into law"....the legislation that will correct the problem is just election year eve hype, and anyone with an ounce of horse sense should realize that.

"Guns don't kill--People kill!" was a bumper sticker a few years ago, and it still carries a lot of truth.

"You can't legislate morals" is a time-worn platitude, which was probably invented by lawmakers who would end that statement with "so we're not even gonna try!"

Maybe you can't legislate morals, but the state legislators in Louisiana this week decided to try something new when they passed a law which will require school students to use some manners.

The state law, which was signed by the governor, will require all students in Louisiana schools to say "Yes Mam" and "Yes Sir" to their teachers and school officials, as well as calling them "Mr. and/or Mrs."

If we're not teaching manners at home anymore, then yard and bit Betty as she maybe it's time that the lawmakers moved in. Our parents and grandparents, thankfully, instilled some manners in us when we were growing up, but it is more apparent that many of today's parents do not. There are some youngsters with manners, and they are certainly a breath of fresh air.

WE USED TO SUBSCRIBE to Texas Monthly magazine when it first came out and exhibited high quality writing on subjects we were very much interested in. When it got to the point that the advertising outweighed the editorial content by about 10-1, we let our subscription drop, since you had to really search for the articles.

Eldon Reeb passed along to us a recent edition of the magazine which contained a feature called "The Best of Small-Town Texas." It's an interesting bit, about some of the lesserknown attractions across our state. The articles are still dwarfed by the large ads (maybe I'm just jealous), but they're always interesting.

The article broke down the places to see, according to categories. One of only four hotels covered was the Hotel Turkey, which has received a lot of publicity in the last few years, thanks to the good job Susie and Gary Johnson have done in restoring the hotel. Susie gets up at 6:30 a.m. to prepare sweet potato pancakes, her specialty. That might be worth a trip to Turkey.

In the cafe section, I was not surprised to see a Fredericksburg establishment written up. This German community is Carol's all-time favorite place to visit. When son Stan moved to San Antonio with his bank, and opted to find a better position with Frost Bank when Norwest made yet another move, it gave his Mom another good excuse to visit South-central Texas. Hill Top Cafe is the one mentioned in the magazine, and I may not have tried it. Reason being it indicates that reservations are required if you want to eat on a weekend evening. It's also not surprising that the number one "draw" for the city of Canyon is its girls basketball team (we didn't realize that the Lady Eagles are an attraction!), and that the main mention of Sealy was its football team, which won the class 3A title four years in a row, and its fans needed counseling last fall when the team lost its first post-season game. Other categories covered by the article include shops, cemeteries, music clubs, and "townsfolk." "A small town without a character or two is like a water tower without graffiti," the article said. How true. We were caused to and Bovina. Wouldn't dare to mention any. We'd probably insult two dozen other families. But they were right in their businesses or establishments.

baseball-sized ruined about 500,000 acres of cotton in the

According to the Lubbock-

area, with an additional 250,000 acres suffering damage. Adding insult to daily high injury. temperatures that failed to

seedling disease into the young crop. The situation has many growers looking at alternative crops with which to replant their fields. Seed dealers were reporting heavy orders for sorghum seed, as damage continued to be assessed in fields that had been too wet to enter for many days.

exceed 80 degrees invited

"Although there were many replanting options out there, sorghum is the best option in many cases," said Dr. Jeff Dahlberg, NGSP research director. Dahlberg

McInroe В. **Bitten By** Is Rattlesnake

Betty McInroe of Friona suffered a rattlesnake bite in her front yard last Monday. According to husband Carl, the snake was in their front was walking across the grass instead of the sidewalk.

She was saying good-bye to her mother and sister at the time. They rushed her to the hospital and then on to Baptist St. Anthony's in Amarillo.

At press time, she was expected to be realeased from the hospital Thursday afternoon.

In addition, grain sorghum can offer other longterm benefits to producers who traditionally grow cotton. Research conducted near Brownfield, Texas, by Dr. Dan Krieg, agronomist at Texas Tech University, indicates that a crop rotation consisting of grain sorghum and cotton can increase cotton yields the following season by at least ten percent. Krieg also has found that rotating sorghum with cotton can have positive impacts on sorghum yields.

However, Dahlberg's recommendations came with one caveat. "DuPont has indicated that you can't replant sorghum following applications of the DuPont herbicide Staple®, which was used in weed control strategies for cotton earlier this season," he said. In these cases, DuPont representatives said producers might replant with STS® soybeans or other alternatives.

"We could potentially continue to run into catch-22 problems like the situation with Staple, as environmental regulations continue to narrow the field of available crop protection chemicals for producers," said Dahlberg, adding, "Because of these regulations, the crop protection industry also is making products that can be permitted more easily because they have a more narrow scope of application, such as Staple."

The bond between mother and child Though severed physically at birth In our hearts, no such thing occurs Even at death, that bond still remains.

Today, my day of birth

How I remember her description of love As her baby girl was birthed Many years now, I've thanked her For choosing life for me; for allowing me to be

This day of my birth, tis different, sad, The first birthday without her here My heart silently aches as tears quietly fall No the bond is not ever broken

Though she's been taken from my side No power, neither in Heaven or Earth Can take her love from my heart

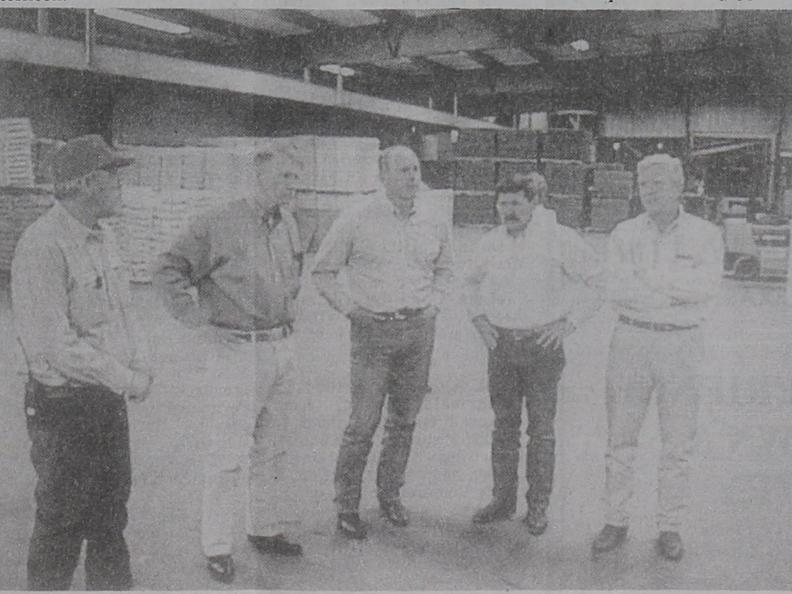
For on this day of my birth I feel Mama's love, her spirit of joy And I know that she's wishing for me A happy day, once again, thanking God For the gift of her baby girl.

Mary Rose Englant

Fleahoppers-Lygus Bugs Found in Area Cotton

Cherinell Riley, Extension many IPM program fields. Agent for Parmer and Bailey Counties, says they received reports of fleahopper infestations about 2 weeks ago from area agri-businesses and the pests are still a problem in some fields.

Populations reached threshold this week and last in



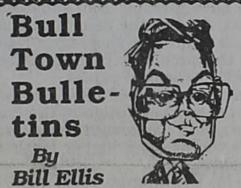
Cotton fleahoppers are about 1/8 inch long and pale green. Nymphs resemble adults but lack fully developed wings. Both move rapidly when disturbed.

Adults move from weed host when cotton begins to square. In this area the primary host is white weed (nightshade). Both adults and nymphs suck sap from small squares.

"Lygus bugs (aka plant bugs) are being found. There are several different species that attack cotton. Lygus are about 1/4 inch in length and vary from green to brown,

although the ones I have seen here are more yellowish than green", Riley said.

Like the fleahopper, lygus feeding results in the shedding of squares, however, lygus can feed on matchhead



Thanks, Eldon. I enjoyed seeing the magazine.

remember all of the "characters" we have known in Friona A PRO TOURS HI-PRO....On Wednesday, June 16, Pro Baseball Hall-of-Fame member Nolan Ryan toured Hi-Pro in Friona. Ryan does statement. Characters make the towns what they are-not the promotional advertising for the company. Pictured in the Feed Mill warehouse are, l-r, Raymond Spencer, Bill Stovell, Ryan, Jack Hamil, and James Herring, CEO of Friona Industries. (Hi-Pro Photo)

to pencil eraser sized squares.

If you are checking your cotton for fleahoppers and lygus be sure not to shade the plant as you kneel down to check it. The fleahoppers will jump from the plant before you can properly inspect it. If you find a lygus nymph, count it as two. Nymphs are the juvenile stage of lygus without fully developed wings. If the wings do not extend to the tip of the abdomen, it is probably a nymph.

If you need more information on these or other pests, or would like to receive the Parmer and Bailey Pest Cast Newsletter, call Cherinell Riley, Extension Agent-IPM at 806-481-3300

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....from the files of The Bovina Blade

40 Yrs. Ago--July 8, 1959 filly owned by Giles Williams Members of the board are of Bovina, won the six-and- Paul Jones, Durward Bell one-half furlong Raton Junior and Wilbur Charles. Chamber of Commerce Allowance at La Mesa Park 35 Yrs. Ago--July 8, 1964 at Raton, New Mexico.

celebration is termed "a success."

Bovina volunteer firemen Kink Patio Beauty Salon and Sudderth farm.

The argument continues over whether or not lights for the baseball field should be built by the school or as a radio-TV personality, was in civic gesture.

Leslie Jane Fourmentin reported on the recent Grand Assembly of Rainbow Girls that she attended at a chapter.

Bovina Independent School contest here.

District's Equalization Board Fari Time, a three-year-old will meet this week.

In preparation for area Bovina's Fourth of July radio and television publicity for Bovina's Bull Town Days celebration, Cotton John Smith of KGNC in Amarillo were called to a fire in the and Jack McCracken, manager of Bovina Chamber in a boxcar on the Sam of Commerce and Agriculture, last week discussed plans for the three-day festival which is scheduled August 13-15. Cotton John, well-known area town getting information about the celebration for his program.

A total of 39 contestants, from 11 towns competed in regular meeting of the local the second annual Bovina Modelers model airplane

An all-star game worthy of the title was unreeled in Little League play here Friday night. The team managed by Harold Carpenter of Oklahoma Lane. The Eagles came from behind in the final two innings to take a one-run win over the team headed by Butch Palmer of First National Bank-Lawlis Gin.

30 Yrs. Ago--July 9, 1969

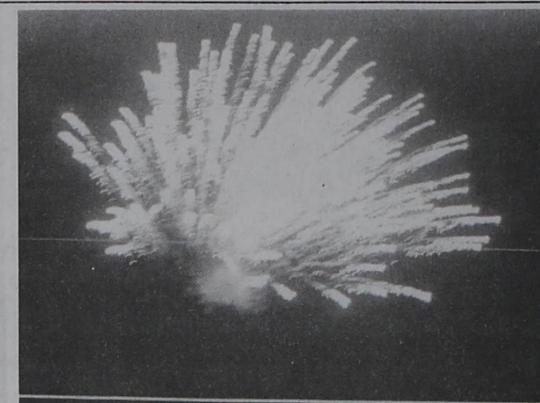
A Fourth of July holiday tragedy struck Bovina last week. Two Bovina residents were killed in a car-truck collision in Clovis Thursday afternoon. Dead on arrival at Clovis Memorial Hospital was Bernabe R. Alonzo, 54, and his son, Bernabe Solis Alonzo, Jr., 18.

Deaf Smith County Electric Cooperative has assigned Sam Garrison to the Parmer County and Bovina area. The Garrisons moved here from Perryton, where he has worked for the past eight years.

Three persons have been arrested and another is being sought in connection with a burglary Friday night at Sherrill Lumber Company. A galvanized garbage can and miscellaneous tools were taken from the lumber company with an estimated value of \$350.00.

25 Yrs. Ago--July 10, 1974 Construction continues to

progress on a 60x85 foot addition to Williford Gymnasium, scheduled to be completed by the date 1974-75 school term begins in August. The new addition will house dressing rooms and activity space for physical



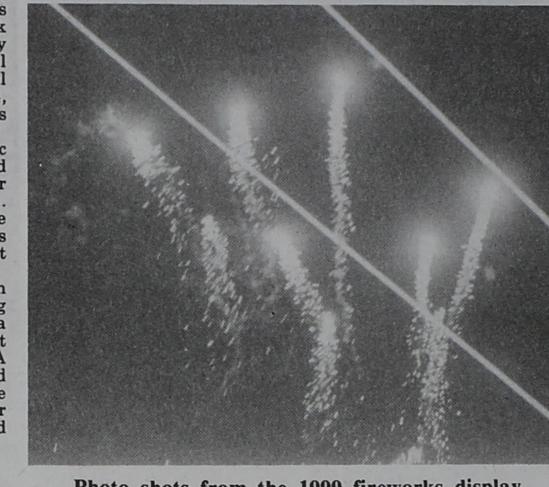


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Funeral mass for Eliza C. Ortiz, 95, of Hobbs, New Mexico, was held Saturday, July 3, at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church in Hobbs, with Father Pedro Valdez officiating.

Burial was in Plains Cemetery under the direction of Calvary Funeral Home, Eunice, New Mexico.

Mrs. Ortiz died Thursday, July 1, 1999 at her residence.

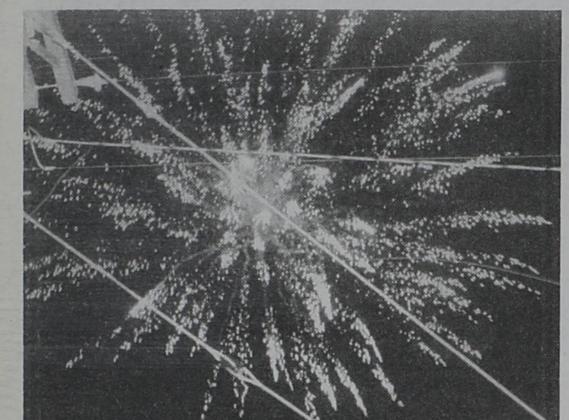
She was born May 8, 1904, in Floresville, Texas. She was a homemaker, and a member of Our Lady of Guadalupe, of Hobbs, N.M.. She moved to Hobbs from Denver City in May of 1979.

Survivors include two sons, Ismael Ortiz of Hobbs, and Valdeman Ortiz of Bovina; two daughters, Francisca Salas and Enedina Ortiz Pena, both of Hobbs.

A sister, Corina de La Fuentes of Castroville, and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren also survive.



NORA URIEGAS Nora Uriegas



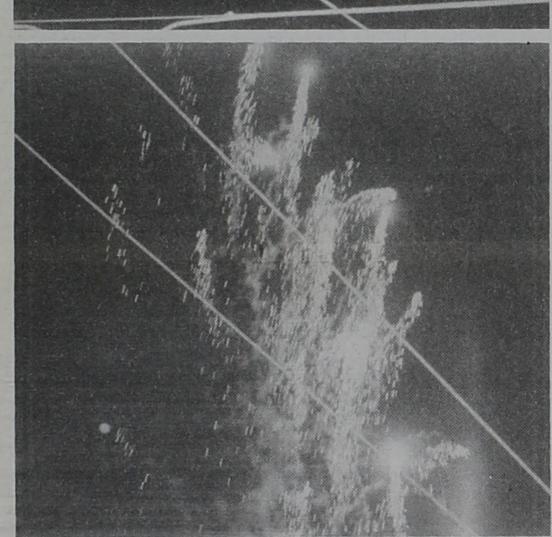


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education students and athletes.

Five additional donations to the Bovina Cemetery Paving Fund were recorded last week, bringing the total amount deposited in the fund to \$5,406.01, according to Mrs. Neal Mager of the Bovina Chamber of Commerce.

One of the two remaining adobe homes in Bovina is being dismantled by Dan Koelzer for owner Tom Paine. The house is located at the corner of Boyce and Avenue C. The four-room building was built over 50 years ago in 1922 by the late Dick Glover, who was a blacksmith at the time.

20 Yrs. Ago--July 11, 1979 Larry L. Wilson, Superintendent of Schools and Jim Noyes, Ridgelea Elementary School Principal, submitted their resignations to the school board.

Amber, two month old daughter of Tammy and Dennis Willard entered the Methodist Hospital with symptoms something like whooping cough.

15 Yrs. Ago--July 11, 1984 Maesie Flynn was in a group of 47 who recently toured seven countries in sixteen days.

Guadalupe Trevino, 33, was stabbed at his residence in Bovina. He was reported to be in fair condition following the stabbing.

Corey Kirkpatrick and Andy Stormes were named to the Mustang League all-stars in the Texico-Farwell baseball league.

10 Yrs. Ago--July 12, 1989 The chimney at the home of Thomas Rhodes was struck by lightning in a storm. The chimney sustained considerable damage, but the house was not otherwise hurt.

The Richard Grisham family took a tour of some of the eastern states, including Washington, D.C.

Donna Mitchell of the McCallum Insurance Agency was presented a \$50 U.S. was named Employee of the Month.

from Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.

The month of June was a busy one for legislators and commodity organizations as the search for both short and longterm reforms to the Federal crop insurance program gathered strength.

A number of the reform plans have already been submitted recently completed a semester as Bills in the House of Representatives and the Senate. Plains of coursework at the Cotton Growers has focused much its efforts for short-term relief University of Dallas' Rome toward finding ways to improve the problems producers face campus. from declining APH (Actual Production History) values.

PCG is also working to develop a core set of ideas that graduate, is the daughter of cotton producers feel should guide the next evolution of the crop Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Uriegas, insurance program. Among the most important long-term also of Bovina. concepts PCG has communicated is the need for higher levels of coverage at affordable premium levels.

Part of the effort being seen in Washington right now is to augment students' geared around finding the best way to utilize some \$6 billion in sophomore year. Since then, additional funding for crop insurance secured earlier this year 80 per cent of UD's students through the efforts of House Ag Committee Chairman Larry have traveled to Rome during Combest and Ranking Ag Committee Member Charles their sophomore year to study Stenholm.

Combest's focus for the money appears to be to apply it toward additional premium subsidy in an effort to decrease the cost to producers.

Key parts of the Combest plan include:

(1) The option for a producer with ten years of APH history to complement their classical be allowed a one-time APH adjustment through the elimination of low yields that may be dragging their APH calculation Due Santi, The Eugene Condown. The producer would be allowed to drop one yield stantin Rome Campus housed occurring during the period 1990-1994 and to drop one yield in a renovated villa and during the 1995-1999 period.

(2) Subsidy levels increased beyond 30 percent discount of vineyard near an ancient, provided by 1998 disaster legislation with producer given inactive volcanic lake just 45 ability to select any combination of price election and yield minutes from Rome's center. coverage level.

(3) Expand Board of Directors of the Federal Crop Insurance is a highly selective liberal Corporation by 3 positions, for a total of four from the federal government and six from private industry (four producers).

(4) Except in double-cropping areas, a producer who receives an UD is nationally recognized indemnity for a primary crop would be limited to catastrophic for the strength of its coverage only on planting of a second crop.

These are only a few of the ideas included in the Combest culum and widely acclaimed proposal and this is by no means the last word on the issue. for its innovative graduate Combest has scheduled a meeting for the week of July 5 during which industry feed-back on the proposal will be accepted. in 1956, it is one of the Combest's goal is incorporate the necessary modifications before country's youngest universities the final legislation is crafted to avoid the need for more granted a Phi Beta Kappa changes later on.

With as many as five prospective reform Bills there is a lot approximately 3,300 gradof variety and innovation being show in regard to how to uate and undergraduate tackle crop insurance's problems. PCG will continue to evaluate students. these proposals and encourage those involved to take the best ideas out there and utilize them to make the program better for the producers who rely on it.

Members of the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation Board of Directors met in Abilene June 30 and approved two very important pieces of business.

Of primary interest to many observers was the determination of how to divvy up the \$75 million allocated by the Texas Legislature for boll weevil eradication cost-sharing.

TBWEF Board members approved a plan that divides the money between the seven active boll weevil eradication zones. Overall, each of the zones either active or starting up this year will receive allocations equal to 21 percent of their budgeted cost per acre for eradication.

The following zones will receive money during the 1999-Savings Bond by Chamber director, Terri Sorley. Donna 2000 Texas budget cycle: South Texas/Winter Garden, Rolling Plains Central, El Paso/Trans Pecos, Western High Plains, Permian Basin, Northwest Plains, and Northern Rolling Plains.

Completes Rome Course

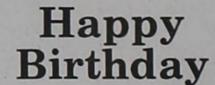
Nora Uriegas of Bovina

Uriegas, a UD under-

UD created its Rome Program in the fall of 1970 literature, philosophy, art, theology, Italian and history.

During their time in Rome, UD students also travel in Italy and Greece to studies. In 1990, UD opened located on a 12-acre expanse

The University of Dallas arts university affiliated with the Roman Catholic Church. undergraduate core curribusiness programs. Founded charter. Annual enrollment is



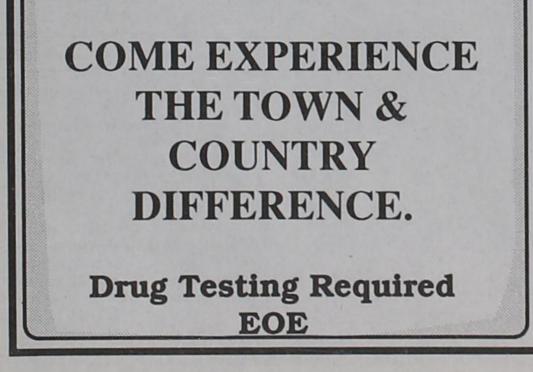
Birthdays for the week of July 11-17, 1999. Jul 12 Dorothy Harris

- Jul 15 Christian Drager
- Jul 16 Sandy Guest
- Jul 17 Jeri Been

For changes, corrections,

or to add names to our birthday list, call 238-1523 or write Drawer B, 79009.

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5 Yrs. Ago--July 9, 1994 Marisela Reyna, from Bovina has been named to the 1994 spring Dean's List, according to Dr. David Caffey, dean of instruction at Clovis Community College.

Reyne earned at least a 3.50 grade point average while enrolled in 12 or more credit hours during the spring semester.

Services for Annie Bell Starr Savage, 83, were held on Tuesday, July 5 at Immanuel Lutheran Church. Reverend E.R. The Greenthaner officiated.

The second piece of business was the setting of payment dates for each of the active zones. On the High Plains producers in the Northwest Plains, Western High Plains and Permian Basin Boll Weevil Eradication Zones can receive a two percent discount on their 1999 program assessments by

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Out Here By RON CARR

"You Can't Witness Without Witnessing"

He grew up during the Dust Bowl days of the '30s and likes to say he was raised in jail. He rodeo'ed, worked the oil fields in Texas, New Mexico, Peru, Africa, and Singapore.

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He got married, had three children, got divorced. Over time he drank some whiskey, chased some women, considered suicide, and gave away hundreds of Bibles.

Today at age 65, he rides a motorcycle, flies an airplane, and preaches the gospel. But definitely not in that order.

Don McNerlin still shakes hands with the strength of a rodeo rider and oilfield worker. But as pastor of the First United Methodist Church in Bovina, his heart, smile and kind words are those of a preacher.

His coffee drinking buddies say he often preaches at the cafe too and has a way of steering any conversation toward the gospel.

Don McNerlin was born in 1934 in Spur, Texas during the hard scrabble life of West Texas. In 1936, during the now famous Dust Bowl years, his parents packed up and headed to California.

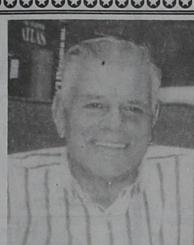
The old car broke down in Monahans. He remembers that his daddy, Blackie, spent the family's last quarter to "buy me a hamburger. It sure made momma mad."

They stayed in Monahans where his daddy became a police officer and then sheriff. They lived on the top floor of the courthouse next to the jail.

jail. His momma cooked for the inmates. The food money paid by the county was enough to cook for the prisoners and feed the family too.

He remembers helping his dad with the local drunks who came and went like the jail was a revolving door. Many made sure to get thrown in the tank around Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays to sample his momma's cooking.

Don says that one of his jobs



DON MCNERLIN

Water Tank because that's where you always found him, told Mrs. McNerlin that he hadn't missed a Christmas with her in 14 years.

He remembers taking the Catholic prisoners from jail over to the priest for blessing then back to jail. Don started with flying lessons when he was 13. He also took up rodeoing and went to work in the oilfields.

'I worked the morning tower shift which was from 12 midnight to 7 a.m., so I could go to school in the daytime", he said.

At the age of 13 he won \$35 in a rodeo. He was the center on the Monahans football team for one game when a rival school told about his \$35 winnings. He was disqualified from a high school athletic career.

He graduated from high school He likes to say he was raised in on 1952, got married in 1953, had three children. After 11 years, the marriage ended in divorce, mainly, he says, because of his beer drinking, girl-chasing ways.

His frequent absences in the oilfield also led his wife to stray. She moved to California with the kids. In 1966, to earn enough money to take care of his child support obligations he took a job in some copper mines in Peru.

While in Peru he became when he was about 12-years-old read many other religious writings warehouseman for an oil company.

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became interested in people who claimed to have had a personal spiritual experience.

At this point religion did not seem to help. In Peru he considered suicide. After days of contemplation and depression he said he decided against taking his own life, got rid of all his guns, and started reading the Bible

The idea of spiritual encounters still haunted him.

"I left Peru and worked in a lead mine in San Francisco for 6 months", he recalled. "Then I moved to Odessa to be closer to my family and became a life insurance salesman. But I found out I couldn't sell", he said with a laugh.

During his stay in Odessa he attended some services in various small churches in the area. In one Heightened moment he promised the Lord that he would give up sinful ways, booze, and women. His eyes twinkled "And I did for one solid week."

It was an incident with a waitress from the Miniskirt Junction Cafe and a bottle of Jack Daniel that led to his spiritual encounter. You can ask him about the details.

The next day he was supposed to go to have lunch with family. The bottle of Jack Daniel was gone. So was the Miniskirt waitress. But not the guilt.

He says he could not even bear to look in the mirror. Remorse and guilt flooded over him for what he had done to himself and others. It was then, he says, that his spiritual encounter became real.

"A light began to glow in the room", he says, "and as sure as I am sitting here I heard the Lord's voice say 'Don, I have always loved you.'

He was 40 years old and was convinced that in spite of all the sins of his past, God still loved him because of it.

He says he spent the next few years reading the Bible and arguing with God, not convinced that his increasingly depressed. Over the way was the best. In 1977 he was years he had studied the Bible and in Chad, Africa, as the

the local citizens. From 1980 to 1984 he lived in

Singapore. He bought a 29-foot yacht to live on and worked on oil rigs in Borneo, Sumatra and Java. Still, he gave away bibles and organized bible studies.

In 1983 he says he came back to Nocona, Texas with a \$250,000 net worth and 200 acres of property, planning on parlaying that into a million and never have to work again. "By 1985", he says, "I was flat broke."

Still knocking around the Odessa area, in 1986 he was listening to a Penecostal preacher when he finally got the call to preach.

At the age of 54, Don McNerlin turned his life over to the care of God and vowed to preach God's word as long as he was able.

In June, 1988, with a license from the Methodist church, he accepted a ministry at Logan and Nara Vista, New Mexico. "They hadn't had a preacher in 8 months, so I was surely better than nothing."

After three years of study from Southern Methodist University and three years from Duke University (one month in the summers), in 1995 he was ordained as a deacon in the Methodist church, which is equivalent to a masters degree in theology.

His preaching career has taken him to Tatum, NM, for 3 years, Santa Rosa, NM for 3 years, and now Bovina for one year.

"All I do is preach from the Bible and try to get people hungry for the Lord", he declares. "I know I have had colorful life, but I can't be a witness without witnessing something in life. I have done that, and I will be preaching as long as I can hold a Bible and as long as the Lord will have me."

He is content to preach in small churches. He speaks Spanish. He is still single.

Life is okay today for Don McNerlin. His buddies say he even preaches some while having coffee at the local cafe.

Eula Mae Gross Submits Life Story For Publication

Every month a resident of Prairie Acres Nursing Home submits a story about his/her life's history to be submitted in the home's newletter, "The Prairie Times," and for submitting in this issue. This month we feature Eula Mae Gross. * * * * *

By EULA MAE GROSS

Eula Mae arrived the eleventh day of August 1906 in Mineral Wells, Texas as the fourth child of Benjamin and Icie Lee Lotspeich. Her father was a farmer in Palo Pinto County and her mother was a homemaker. Other children were added to the family until there were five daughters and four sons.

Eula attended school at Graford and worked with her family on the farm, tending the farm animals and working in the fields. God gifted several mem-

bers of the family with musical ability. Eula was given a lovely singing voice which she used to sing in the church choir, at special events and in later years, to sing on a local radio station.

Eula moved with her family to Floyd County in 1924. She graduated from Land High School in May 1925. She married Fred Gross, August 26, 1925 at Petersburg, Texas. They began their life together on a farm in Hale County. Eula raised a large vegetable garden and fruit orchard and canned food for her family. She was a wonderful cook and expert seamstress, making most of the clothes for her children. Sue and Olive were born while they lived in Hale County and also, a set of twins, Dan and Dave. Dave died with pneumonia at six months of age. Allen was the last child born in Hale County.

In the fall of 1935 the family moved to the Land Hill Community in Floyd County where they continued to farm. Three other sons were born to the family: Jerry, Thacker and Lonnie Pat. All attended Land Hill

EULA MAE GROSS

School and later Floydada High School.

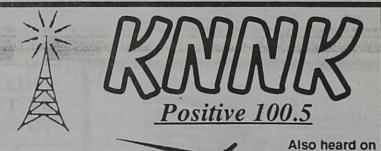
Eula's husband passed away on Christmas Day in 1967 after a lengthy illness. She continued to live on the farm before moving into Floydada in 1983. She enjoyed close neighbors and being more involved in church activities, until Fibromyalgia caused such pain and damage to her body. She was unable to walk, or care for herself. Eula moved to the Care Center in Floydada in May 1996

On August 13, 1997 she moved to Prairie Acres so she could be closer to her daughter, Mary Sue. Mary Sue's husband passed away on December 22, 1993.

Eula continues to enjoy music and visits from her family and friends. She will celebrate her 93rd birthday on August 11 of this year. She has been a member of the United Methodist Church in Floydada for over fifty years.

Mary Sue Fowler lives in Bovina. Olive and Henry Hinton live at Dougherty. Dan and Barbara live at Hobbs, New Mexico. Allan and Alice live at Petersburg. Jerry and Jo Ann live in Seguim, Washington. Thack-er and Joan live in Las Cruces, New Mexico. Lonnie Pat and Peggy live in Clausland Tennessae Cleveland, Tennessee.

Eula Gross has seventeen grandchildren, thirty-four great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.



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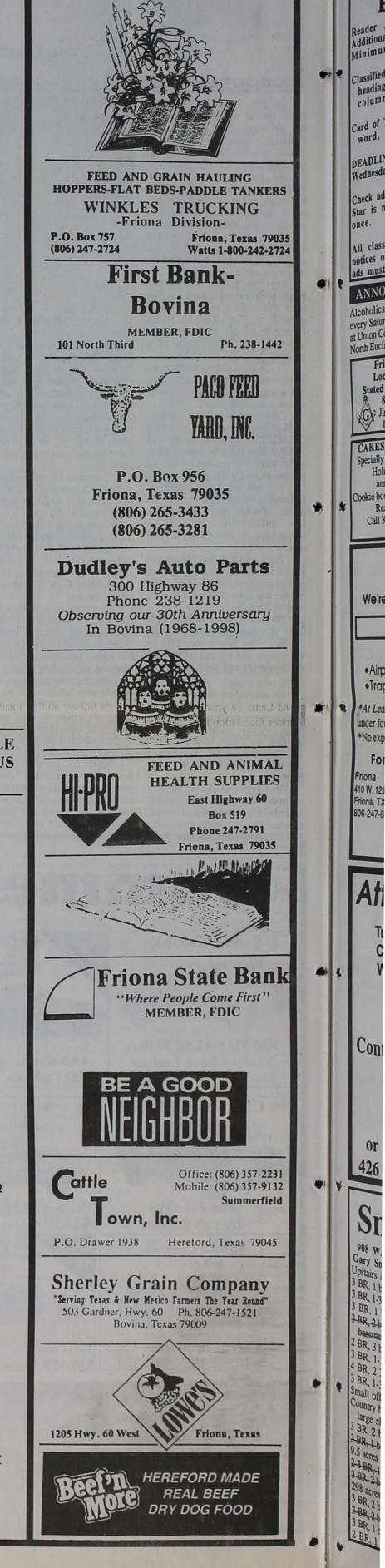
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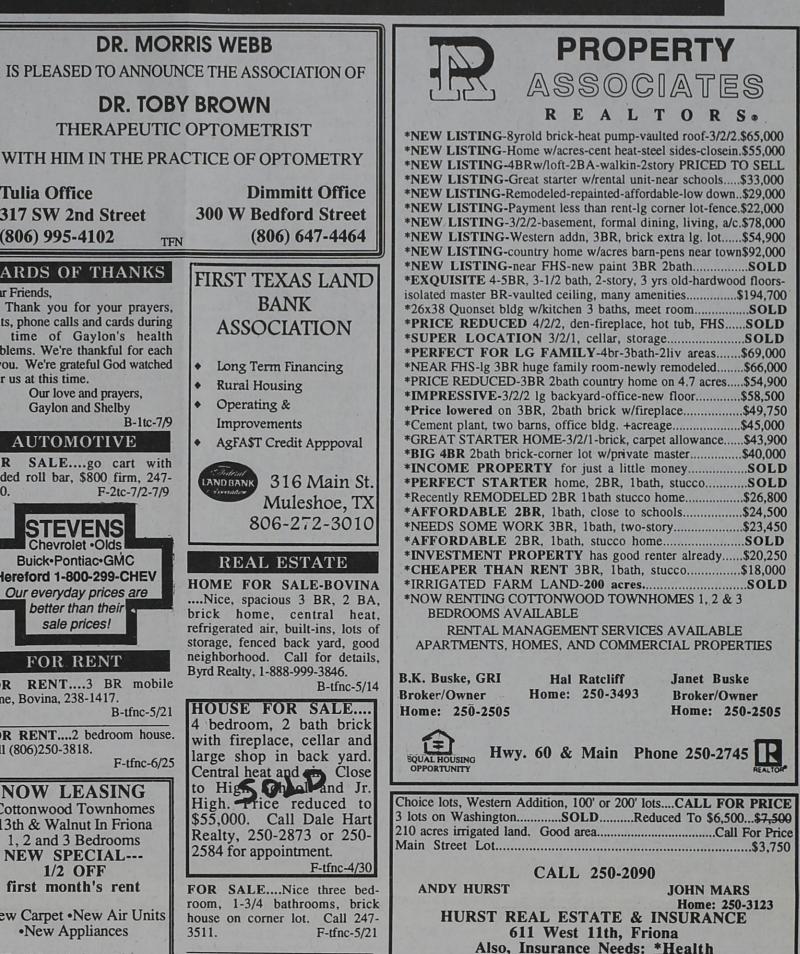
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ADVISO

Adviso esta dado que PARMER COUNTY SSA tiene intencion de destruir documentos de estudiantes que recibieron servicio de Education Especial antes y durante el Ano 1992. Los unicos documentos que van estar destruidos son los que estan en la oficina de PARMER COUNTY SSA localizada en 909 East 11th Calle en Friona, Texas. Documentos en esto son de estudiantes que recibieron servicio de distrito en seguida: Bovina ISD, Farwell ISD, Friona ISD and Lazbuddie ISD. Padres/guaradian legal o estudiantes adultos con incapacidades fisica/mentales pueden pedir copias de sus documentos. Pueden llamar o escribir a Sue Beene en la oficina de PARMER COUNTY SSA, 909 E. 11th Street, Friona, Texas 79035, Numero de telefono es (806) 250-3315, 30 antes, Julio 1999. POR FAVOR RECUERDEN QUE ESTOS DOCUMENTOS PUEDAN SER NESESITADOS PARA EL SEGURO SOCIAL. F&B-5tc-7/2-7/9-7/16-7/23-7/30

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Tuesday, August 17, 1999 - Sale Time 10:00 a.m. Combines, Cornheads, Headers, Attachments, Grain Carts, Augers, Combine Trailers Wednesday, August 18, 1999 - Sale Time 10:00 a.m.

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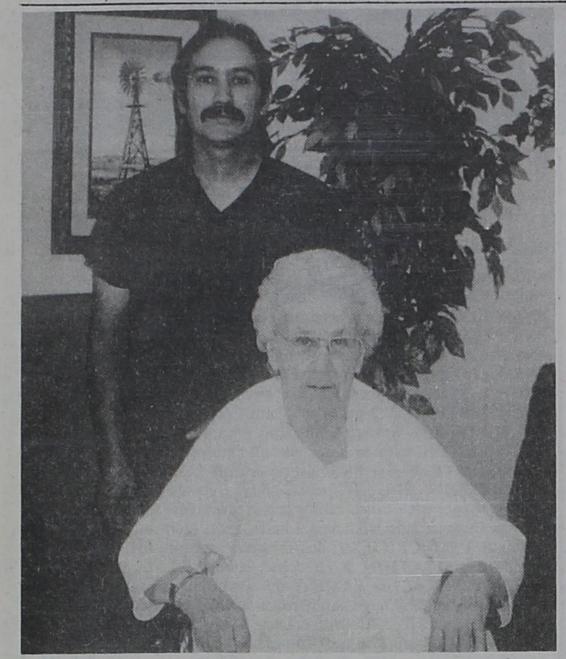
Friday, August 20, 1999 - Sale Time 10:00 a.m. Tractors, Backhoes, Loaders, Front End Loaders, Construction Equipment, Motor Graders, Forklifts, Crawlers, Tractor Makeups

Saturday, August 21, 1999 - Sale Time 10:00 a.m. Selling All Farm Implements, Fertilizer Equipment, Utility Trailers, Tanks, Toolbar Makeups, Shop Equipment, Grain Drills

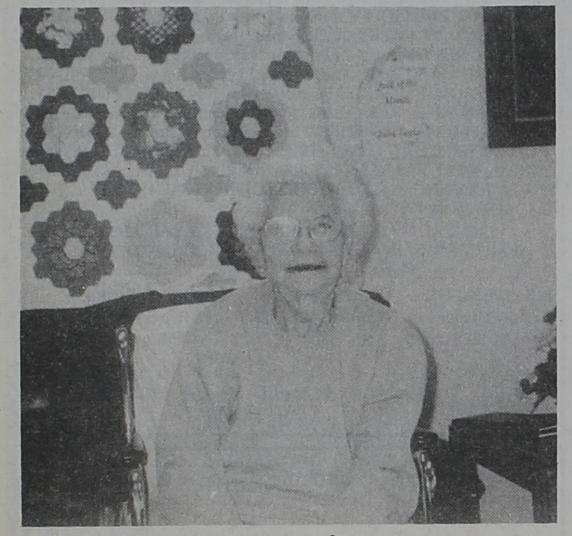
Deadline For Advertising Equipment: July 25, 1999. Deadline For Getting Equipment In Place: Monday, August 16, 1999 At 6:00 p.m.



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HONORED by Prairie Acres staff in July were employee-of-the-month Mario Carrasco and resident-of-the month Louise Roark.



Immunization **Clinics** Are Set For July

Immunization clinics offering vaccines that give your children protection against several childhood diseases are scheduled in the area for

July. Protection will be against lockjaw polio, diphtheria, lockjaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella, mumps, HIB (Haemophilis Influenza Type B) and varicella (chickenpox).

The Texas Department of Health is charging fees to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open.

The amount of money charged will be based on family income and size, and the ability to pay.

The vaccinations are available at the WIC Office, 607 Main Street in Friona, Friday, July 16 from 10 a.m.-12 noon and 1-3:45 p.m.

Vaccinations will also be administered at the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Office, 109 East Third Street in Bovina, Monday, July 12 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m.



LEARNING about electricity...Southwestern Public Service Company was host to 105 4-H students and 12 county agents at a 4-H Electricity Camp June 21-25. This year's camp--in the cool Sacramento Mountains near Cloudcroft, New Mexico--was the 39th sponsored annually by the Amarillo-based electric utility. Pictured are: (seated, L to R) Ginger Sides, agent Cody Hill, Tobin Redwine and Devin Goettsch, all representing Parmer County, and (standing) Dean Pittman of SPS.

Excel-UFCW, Local 540 Present 40 Scholarships

Excel Corporation and the United Food and Commercial Workers, AFL-CIO, Local 540 gave away forty scholarships in a banquet ceremony on June 27. Each candidate received a \$1,000 scholarship payable to the college or university of their choice.

This is the second year scholarships have been awarded through the Multi-Cultural Fund established in agreement between Excel Corporation and the UFCW, Local 540. To qualify, candidates had to be children of Excel employees or employees themselves. They also had to graduate from high school or receive their GED with the intent of attending a college, university or trade school. Scholarships were awarded to candidates in any of the first four years of college.

The Multi-Cultural Fund also provides citizenship classes and help to get employees and their families intervention with the Immigration and Naturalization Service concerning family visas, word extensions and other services.

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QUILT-OF-THE-MONTH at Prairie Acres for July is this one displayed by Prairie Acres resident Julia Leake of Bovina. Mrs. Leake and her quilting club made this quilt quite a few years ago she said. ron carr photo

Excel Corporation and the UFCW, Local 540 would like to congratulate the scholarship winners and wishes the best of luck in their future educational goals.

Scholarship Winner Ricky Antillon Natelie Meridith Blanca Saenz Rocio Sarinana Claudia Cardenas Liseth Antillon **Regina Morrison** Fanny Garza Veronica Vega

> The Friona Star **Congratulates** The Scholarship Recipients!

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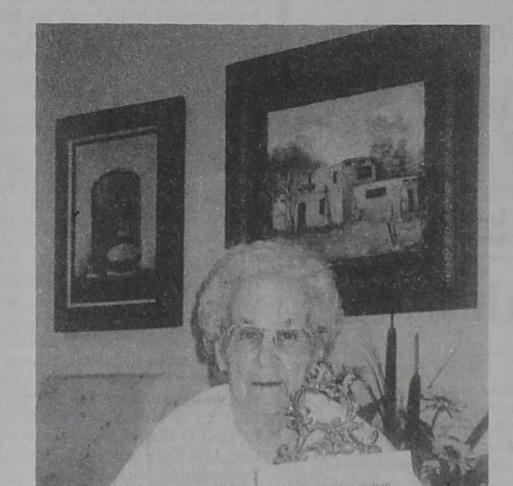
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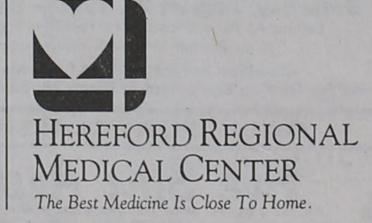
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PRAIRIE ACRES in conjunction with FRIONA ARTISTS ASSOCIATION PRESENTS "ARTIST OF THE MONTH" LOUISE ROARK



ARTIST OF THE **MONTH...Louise Roark has been** selected to represent **Friona Art Association** as "Guest Artist" for the month of July. Louise, is from Clovis. She is a new resident at Paririe Acres. She has enjoyed oil painting for many years but has not painted for quite awhile. Her art

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works will be shown in the lobby at Prairie Acres for the rest of July.

70707070707070707 PRAIRIE ACRES NURSING HOME The public is invited to view the art in the lobby at Prairie Acres each month.

Louise Roark

Artist Of The Month July 1999