

WHITTLIN', TOO BY MAT MOTEN

Welcome, folks, to my column writing debut.

I am, of course, pretty short on experience, but what I lack there I'll attempt to make up for by the fact that the old man says it was high time I quit laying around the house and practicing baseball and started working to help pay the bill.

Possibly, a little background on myself will be in order. I came sliding safely in to Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona (that's kinda like second base) at 5:03 Friday morning. Finally made it to home base standing up Monday morning, but I thought there for a day or two they were going to leave me stranded at second and my potential run wasn't going to count.

When I arrived early that Friday morning, the old man was already mad because I'd kept him up all night and he's been about half hard to get along with since. (Think really what's bothering him is that I can't go to my right after a ground ball as good as I should yet, but I'm working hard on improving that fault.)

Anyway, after I got to the hospital there seemed to be quite a bit of excitement around. So much, in fact, that they forgot to feed me for about a day. Didn't know but what they were going to let me starve before I could get them calmed down.

This might be a good time for me to point out--so other little kids won't have to go through what I did--that when you're born you need something to eat pretty quick; not a day later. A fellow needs steak and potatoes, but you can tell by the way those hospital people act that they're not about to let you have anything but a little milk, and, as I said before, they're mighty slow about that.

Looked this town over pretty good when I got here first of the week. Didn't see a Little League baseball park, or hardly any other kind for that matter, but I'm sure there's one here. I probably just overlooked it. There's probably not a town as big and nice as this any where on the Plains which doesn't have Little League facilities.

If the editor will let me--and he acts as though he's had about all of this nonsense he can stand--I'm going to write "30" to this initial column. Before I do, however, I want to announce that I'm a Democrat and want to encourage you to vote the Democratic ticket.

Round up your kids and their baseball gloves and bring them to see me.

-- Mat Moten

WHITTLIN' BY DOLPH MOTEN

Dissatisfaction again prevails among some school patrons. A story, with letters to the editor, on this page shows this to be true.

We want to point out that we think the men selected by the nominating committee would make good trustees and that it would be hard to improve on the committee's selections.

The nominating committee, which was appointed by the school board, did make a mistake when it didn't act faster and get the names of the nominees before the people before the filing deadline.

This, we think, was a bad mistake. But that's Monday morning quarterbacking on our part and probably now that it's too late, members of the nominating committee agree with us on that point wholeheartedly.

Seems to us that the best thing for those citizens who are dissatisfied with the nominees to do is to start working, and working hard, on a write-in campaign.

Charlie Jefferson proved a write-in campaign can be successful in the commissioner's race of two years ago. This should offer encouragement to those people who are interested in getting men elected to the school board other than those nominated.

Our interpretation of the

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LETTERS TO EDITOR--

Group Protests Nominees

HERE FRIDAY--

Mr. Ellison Rites Held

Funeral services for James Washington Ellison, 87, who died last Tuesday in Truth or Consequences, N. M. were conducted in Bovina Church of Christ Friday.

Burial was in Bovina Cemetery. Alfred White, Church of Christ minister, officiated. Rev. Davis Edens, pastor of First Methodist Church, assisted.

Mr. Ellison died at the home of a son, H. D. Ellison. He had lived in Bovina until about eight months ago when he and Mrs. Ellison moved to Truth or Consequences.

Mr. Ellison was born in 1873 in Canton, Georgia. He had passed his 87th birthday by 10 days when death came.

Survivors include his wife,

Jenny, and four daughters and three sons. Daughters are Mrs. T. E. Rhodes, Bovina; Mrs. Charles Tidenberg, Santa Rosa, N. M.; Mrs. J. C. Denny, and Mrs. J. O. Glover, of Truth or Consequences, N. M.

Surviving sons are H. D. Ellison, Truth or Consequences, N. M.; Buck Ellison, Bovina; and A. J. Ellison of Plainview.

He is also survived by 14 grandchildren and 26 great-grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellison moved to Oklahoma in 1902 and lived there until 1925. They then moved to West Texas, making their home in Bovina until moving to New Mexico.

Mr. Ellison was a member of the Church of Christ.

School Dismisses Friday

Classes will be dismissed in Bovina Schools Friday.

Announcement of the student holiday was made by Superintendent Warren Morton.

Reason is that teachers will attend a District Nine meeting in Amarillo.

WEATHER BY WILLIE

We can expect a little rain or snow by the next issue of the Blade. Gradually growing warmer.

-- Willie

Town and Country Woman's Club will have a bake sale Saturday at Wilson's Super Market for Red Cross benefit, a spokesman for the organization announces.

Band Parents Buy Accessories

At a recent meeting, members of Band Parents organization "made up" money to purchase new caps and braid for the school's band uniforms.

The group had hoped the new accessories would be here in time to be used at a band concert in Canyon April 15.

However, Mrs. Eddie Redden, Band Parents secretary, says the caps and braid were ordered too late to be delivered in time for the Canyon concert.

Board Candidates Announced Late

BY J. VERNON STEWART
Interest in annual school board election rose to fever pitch in Bovina last week after the deadline for entering a name on the ballot for April 2 election had passed.

A group of persons who said they are "dissatisfied" with the list of names supplied by the nominating committee, have started a campaign to elect write-in candidates to the two

board positions that will be filled by the election.

Mrs. S. E. Redden, speaking for the group, said persons connected with the movement believe the school board needs some representatives who have older children in school.

The group also believes that persons who have no children in school shouldn't serve on the board.

"Parents of teenage children can have good recommendations as board members because of their experience with their own children," Mrs. Redden continued.

"We believe that getting a board member elected who has older children would help the school's discipline problem."

The action came less than one week after a five-man nominating committee submitted a list of names that con-

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43 PROJECTS ENTERED--

FFA Show Termed Success By Advisor

Saturday's Fifth Annual FFA Projects Show was called "better than ever" by FFA Advisor Roy Crawford.

Forty-three projects were entered and although the weather was disagreeable most of the morning, judging was conducted inside the barn with relative comfort to spectators and participants.

By noon, skies were clearing and warmer weather brought more people to the barns to view animals.

John Sikes Jr., entered the calf that nabbed first place honors in the Steer Division, about 850 pounds and is an Angus.

Butch Woltman's Hereford-Angus cross placed second, Bobby Ellison's entry was third; Jimmy Wright had two calves that placed fourth and sixth.

Jerry Wright and Olen Johnston entered calves that placed seventh and eighth respectively.

Dickie Clayton's Hampshire entries took first and second prizes in gilt competition. Allan Ray Wilcox's entry took third.

Delbert Morris had two gilts that placed fourth and fifth. Frank Quiroga took sixth place and two entries by Donnie Young were judged seventh and eighth.

In the sow division, a mammoth Poland-China owned by Dean Wines was judged No. 1. Two entries by Ben Rejino Jr., took second and third places. Bill Hartwell's sow was judged fourth and another entry by Wines took fifth place.

Rejino's Duroc barrow took first place in the Lightweight Division. Don Caldwell's entry was judged second, Buddy Turner's, third and David Lawlis', fourth. Wines' animal placed fifth, Donnie Young's, sixth and Mac Glasscock's seventh.

Jerry Ridgon carried home the blue ribbon in Heavyweight Division for barrows. Caldwell won another second place and Don Cumpston's entry took third.

Glasscock, Rejino, Turner and Lawlis took away the other four places in that order.

Two lambs entered by Pat O'Brien placed first and second in the Lamb Division. Wyndol Davies had the first and second place ewes.

Gary Stevenson had the champion hen among his pen of three. Jerry Ridgon took second place, Buford Stanberry, third and Laurence Kriegel fourth.

Crawford said dads of FFA boys participated more in conducting this year's show than usual, probably because weather conditions limited most types of farm work.

"Their cooperation is what really makes the show," Crawford said.

Robert Morton, Farwell agriculture teacher, judged the show.

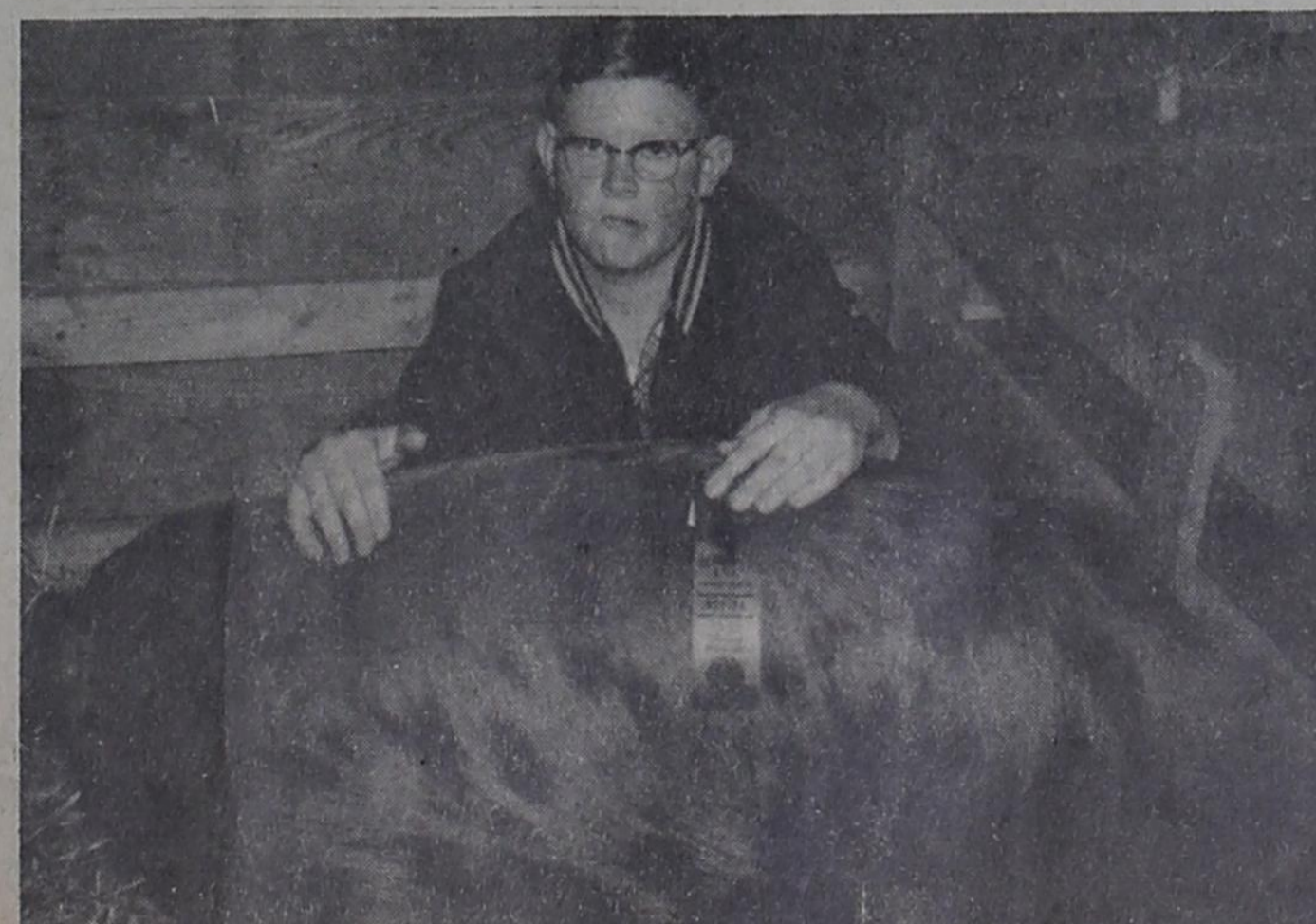
Lions Club sponsors the annual event.



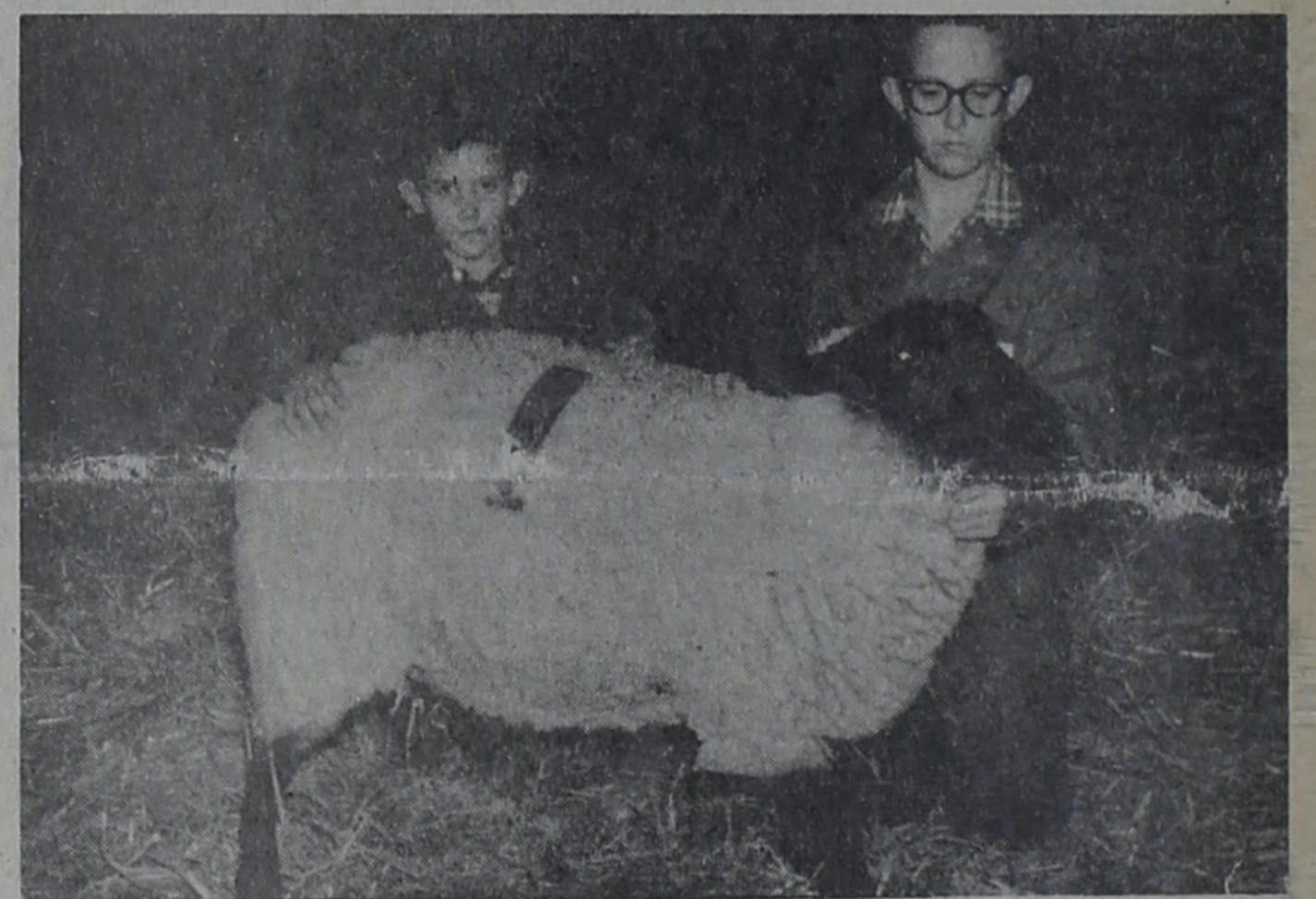
FIRST PLACE SOW--Dean Wines shows the sow that took first place honors in her division. The animal was so large she could hardly turn around in the pen.



CHAMPION BARROW--Ben Rejino showed the first place barrow in lightweight division.



CHAMPION BARROW--Jerry Ridgon's crossbred barrow took first place in heavyweight division.



CHAMPION EWE--This Southdown Ewe took first place honors. Left to right are Wayne and Wyndol Davies. Wyndol is the owner.



TOP STEER--John Sikes Jr. showed this Angus calf that was judged No. 1.



CHAMPION LAMB--Pat O'Brien displays the fat lamb that took first place.



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EDITORIAL

Water Deduction?

Experts are predicting that within 40 years the supply of irrigation water on the South Plains may be exhausted. Conservation measures are being taken to prevent this depletion which would be disastrous to the entire area of irrigation farms.

Whether the grim prediction comes true is of course not certain. But experts can be just as sure about the prospective water supply as they are about oil.

For years the railroad commission has been regulating the production of oil and oil companies have been deducting a "depletion allowable" from their income tax each year.

Since the supply of water and oil are so similar, it seems that irrigation farmers should deduct the depletion of their water supply each year when they file income tax returns.

Oil can be transported more practically than can irrigation water. When the supply of oil in this country is gone, petroleum products can be shipped in from wells off the coasts and from other countries that are just now beginning to produce.

But when irrigation water is gone, this area will revert to the desert-like region it formerly was.

Water taken from the great underground supply is not free. It has a greater cost than most can comprehend. It definitely costs the farmer just as producing oil cost the oil industry. Therefore, it should be deductible from the irrigation farmer's income tax.

Trustee Ballots Ready For Vote

School elections, traditionally an activity of high interest for voters, are ready for action when patrons go to the polls early next month.

Except for write-in campaigns (an unlikely prospect), the ballots are complete.

W. M. "Bill" Sherley of Lazbuddie has been nominated to succeed himself as a member of the county school board—in the position of trustee-at-large.

His is the only vacancy occurring in that body this year. Other members (one from each commissioner's precinct) are: J. L. Shaffer, Friona; Joe Wilson, Bovina; Clyde Magness, Farwell; and Matt Jesko, Lazbuddie.

Sherley's office has a two-year term.

In the Lazbuddie local election, there are four men seeking positions on the board, and two vacancies are due to occur. Nominees are C. W. Bradshaw, Alton Morris, E. T. Ford, and J. T. Mayfield. The latter two are incumbents.

At Farwell, those in the race are Bob Hart, Glenn Phillips, Clarence Johnson, Walter Kaltwasser, and Clay Henson. The last two are running for re-election.

Friona has six men running for two vacancies. They are A. S. Grubbs, Wayne Garth, Meryle Massie, Ellis Tatum, Noyle E.

We are sure the students and teachers were happy to have their parents visit.

During our visit at school we accompanied Mrs. Bedford Caldwell who led Mrs. Rigdon's fourth grades in some singing in the chorus room. We were pleasantly surprised to hear how well the group could sing.

It is our opinion that those elementary students should be getting more music. Mrs. Rigdon has been helping them play song flutes which is about the extent of any training along musical lines. They seem to enjoy music and it's a shame they have so little offered them.

The organization of Band parents is still interested in promoting a good band. It's just a thought—but isn't it possible that if music was taught in the lower grades there would be more interest in the upper grades?

There is much enthusiasm and planning going on around town in preparation for a style show and Miss Bovina contest slated for March 29. This project is being sponsored by Town and Country Woman's Club. We are sure you shall be hearing more and more about it in the coming weeks. It is an event we can all look forward to with pleasure.

A style show sounds good to us. Maybe it will take our minds off the fierce weather we have had this winter and make us mindful that spring is just around the corner.

That can't be too soon to please us. Along with most everyone we've talked to lately, this snow every day is about to get us down.

Maybe the sight of a "Spring Fantasy" and the strains of the familiar "Easter Parade" will do the trick and bring us up out of the melancholy mood.

Elliott, Crump Resign As Mayor Candidates

Emmett Tabor is the lone remaining candidate in next month's mayor election.

Tabor, first to be filed as a

candidate, was left alone in the race when C. R. Elliott and Bud Crump requested the city commission to not put their names on the ballot.

Both had been nominated by petition.

The new mayor will succeed J. E. Sherrill, who has served two two-year terms and is not seeking re-election.

The election will be April 5.

Here are the withdrawal letters submitted to city commission:

Gentlemen:

You are hereby notified and instructed to withdraw my name as a candidate for the office of mayor for the town of Bovina effective as of this date, and not permit my name to be placed on the ballot.

Yours very truly,
C. R. Elliott

Gentlemen:

After learning that my name has been filed for the office of mayor, and after giving considerable consideration to this fact, for health reasons I humbly ask that my name be withdrawn.

I gratefully appreciate the kindness shown by those who have seen fit to place my name in this election, but think it best for personal reasons that I not run at this time. If at some other time I feel that I can fill this very important office, I will then consider same.

Bovina is growing and will continue to grow as long as we can keep the type officials we have had in the past.

Sincerely,
A. E. Crump

3 Lettermen Lead Track

Three lettermen head a list of Bovina High track hopefuls drilling for upcoming spring meets.

Only three days in two weeks have had decent weather for running. Training and condition has been progressing slowly, according to Coach Bob Willis.

The lettermen are Weightman Roger Ezell and Runners Don Caldwell and Jon Lin Riddle.

These three, along with James Clayton and Bill Strawn, are the junior candidates. No seniors have reported for track.

Six Sophomores are among the candidates. Ten freshmen will compete, most of them in the freshman division but a few may bolster the varsity crew.

District competition is set up with a senior class for varsity boys from sophomore through senior classes. Freshmen will have a class of their own.

Sophomore candidates include Olen Johnston, John Sikes, Buddy Turner, David Lawlis, Joe Maxey Riddle and Donnie Young.

Freshmen prospects are Lowell Boozer, Don Cumpton, Pat O'Brien, Bobby Ellison, Mac Glasscock, Ken Horn, Wyndol Davies, Rocky Hance, Joe Jones and Lawrence Kriegel.

Schedule of meets the Mustangs will enter is not completed. Willis said most of the meets

Letters to the Editor

Dear Mr. Moten:

I have known Mr. C. R. Elliott more than 30 years and during this period of time I have been closely associated with him and on many occasions worked with him on committees and missions of public service and interests.

Some of these projects were vital to the growth and prosperity of the Bovina Community; and on all occasions I found that Mr. Elliott has profound interest in his home community and that he will devote his full time and energy where necessary, on any project that will help his local community prosper and grow.

Time and space will not permit a full detailed account of the many community projects that Mr. Elliott has worked on to a successful conclusion, but we would not be saying much unless we named at least a few of them.

As a matter of record, Mr. Elliott is well qualified for the position of mayor of the city of Bovina since he put in a lot of time on town boards before moving to Bovina.

He has served well in all the official positions of the Bovina Chamber of Commerce and other civic organizations of a local nature.

He was the leader of a group

of Bovina citizens who encouraged the utilities to serve Bovina with natural gas. (Some of the old timers will remember that the gas company at that time was attempting to bypass Bovina without service.)

Mr. Elliott, representing the Bovina Chamber of Commerce took a committee to Amarillo back in 1930 and attended the organization of Highway 60 in Texas. Our delegation from Bovina was large enough in number to swing the majority vote to route Highway 60 through Parmer County instead of going west out of Amarillo. We can thank Mr. Elliott for Highway 60 through Bovina.

Mr. Elliott again worked diligently on the project that finally resulted in getting Main Street and Third Street paved as business loops for both Highways 60 and 86.

Mr. Elliott was one of the leaders that helped to develop natural gas service for irrigation fuel.

Most of us remember how Mr. Elliott worked on the project to get a bank for Bovina; how he worked almost full time for more than two months paying his own expenses and making several trips to distant points and then served for more than a year without pay as it's president.

Sometime, when he is willing to make the race, he will make us a good mayor.

Sincerely,
O. W. Rhinehart

Course it is very plain to see--all we are trying to do is work ourselves into the mood to go out and buy a new spring hat.

Mrs. Bill Burnam (Butchie) is in the process of taking a series of shots in preparation to join her husband in Germany. Mrs. Berry said she was taking it pretty hard but not nearly to hard as some of the robust males who were fainting on all sides at the same time. Guess it never will be proved who is the weaker sex.

Mrs. Warren Morton and myself had a lengthy discussion the other morning over the phone (it was too cold to GO visiting) and she was telling us about hearing Dr. Floyd D. Golden, president of ENMU, talk in Friona on his trip to Russia. She has decided as a committee of one to become more alert to communism after hearing his alarming speech. Several persons from here were privileged to hear Dr. Golden. We wish we could have him come to Bovina sometime and talk to a group here. What needs to be done to have him come here?

field events. Strong Pony running entries will be made in the mile, half-mile, quarter mile and mile relay, the coach predicts.

Willis can find one consolation about the weather situation--"everyone else is having the same trouble we are," he says.

Wandering with Waneen

by Waneen Ragsdale

About the only good thing that we can say for all this nippy weather we've been having lately is that--it certainly does what the appetite.

Last Monday afternoon we had been working our fingers to the bone, so to speak, and suddenly were overcome with hunger pains.

Wilma Whisler called the office to tell Roy to come home 'cause she had just put hot bread in the oven. That made matters worse, as far as our tummy was concerned.

Sue had the evening meal prepared for Dolph, which left us out in the cold.

Feeling sorry for ourselves, we drove to the Crumps to pick up our visiting Rhonda. While

there she offered a delicious looking lemon pie to us for supper -- which we didn't hesitate to gratefully accept.

Our taste buds were really working over time at the sight of that pie. On a moments inspiration we decided hot tamales and salad would go perfectly with that pie. So we ran the hot tamale man down, dashed home and had quite a tasty feast.

Bernice Crump's pie was simply superb!

In the not too distant future we are planning to fry the fish the Bob Wilsons and Dean Hastings gave us from their fishing trip. If they taste as good as they look--they ought to be delicious. Bet if they figured up how much they cost them a pound they would be more expensive than caviar.

Mr. and Mrs. Ragsdale, along with some 40 other parents had lunch at school Thursday. From all reports there were about that number almost every day last week.

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Miss Estes Wins Betty Crocker Award

The 1960 Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow in Bovina School is Verna Marie Estes, a senior.

She received highest score in a 50-minute written examination on homemaking knowledge and attitudes taken by graduating senior girls. She received an award pin with the slogan, "Home is where the heart is" presented by Mrs. Dorothy Morton, homemaking teacher, in general assembly Friday as a highlight of Texas Public School Week.

Her examination paper will be submitted for competition with other high school winners to name the state Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow.

Each state Homemaker of Tomorrow will receive a \$1,500 scholarship and an educational trip April 23-29 with her school advisor. The tour will include New York City and Colonial

Williamsburg and will culminate with the American Table Banquet in Washington, D. C., on April 28 at the Statler Hilton Hotel where the All-American Homemaker of Tomorrow will be announced. The runner-up in each state will receive a \$500 scholarship; the school of each state winner will be given a set of Encyclopaedia Britannica.

Horn Hosts Bridge Club

Mrs. Johnny Horn was hostess for regular meeting of Thursday afternoon bridge club last week.

Mrs. James Hemke won high prize, Mrs. A. M. Wilson was low, and Mrs. Bedford Caldwell was winner of travelers prize.

Mrs. Horn served dips and chips and a tart with whipped cream, with coffee and tea.

Those present were Hemke, Wilson and Caldwell, and Mrs. Durward Bell, Mrs. Don Sides, Mrs. Bob Wilson, Mrs. Jimmie Charles, and Mrs. Vernon Willard.

Motens Have Son

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Dolph Moten on the birth of a son born March 4 at Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona. Named Matthew, he weighed seven pounds and fourteen ounces.

Mother and son returned home Monday. Mrs. Homer Moten of Lampasas, paternal grandmother, arrived in Bovina Monday to spend a few days. Mrs. Aubra Ellison of Plainview, maternal grandmother, was here over the weekend.

Senior Play Set

Senior Class of 1960 will present their annual play Friday night, March 18, in school auditorium.

"Finders Creepers," a play by Donald Payton, is the production's title.

Senior sponsors, James McLeroy and Bob Willis, are play directors.

Members of the cast are Arnold Kriegel, as Wilbur Maxwell; Sid Killough as Hercules Nelson; Harriette Charles, Celeste; Barbara Rea, Nina Quigley; Claudia O'Hair; Frankie; Verna Marie Estes, Aunt Mary; Jerry Barron, Uncle Bob; Virginia Embree, Granny; John Lorenz, Mr. Quigley.

Roy Dodson, Doctor Brown; Carol Hammonds, Madeline; Max Gilreath, Harry Schuster; Carolyn Crump, Daphne; Doyle Wassom, Claude and Suzey Estes a helper.

Charlotte Morris will be announcer. Ticket managers are Joy Redden and Myrna Downs.

Sees Movie On Birthday

Linda Hemke celebrated her tenth birthday Saturday by taking her friends to Clovis for an afternoon movie. They saw "The Rookie" and had refreshments of pop corn and soft drinks at the show.

Those present were Carol Mast, Carol Kirkpatrick, Janice Morton, Teresa Page, Elaine Minyon, LaNell Christian, Sharron Hemke and honoree, Linda.

The group was driven by Mrs. James Hemke and Mrs. Frank Hemke, Linda's grandmother.

Joint Birthday Party Celebrated

Patsy Richards and Brenda Jones were honorees at a joint birthday party Thursday evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Richards.

Guests present were Verna Marie Estes, Billy Strawn, Judy Roach, Roger Ezell, Patricia Patton, Charlotte Hromas, Leslie Formentin, Jerry Wright, Buford Stanberry, Lavoida Newbrough, Don Caldwell, Penny Lloyd, Jon Lin Riddle, Patsy Hart, and Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Jones.

The group played games and were served refreshments of cake, sandwiches, pickles, chips, and soft drinks.

The beard does not make the philosopher -- Italian

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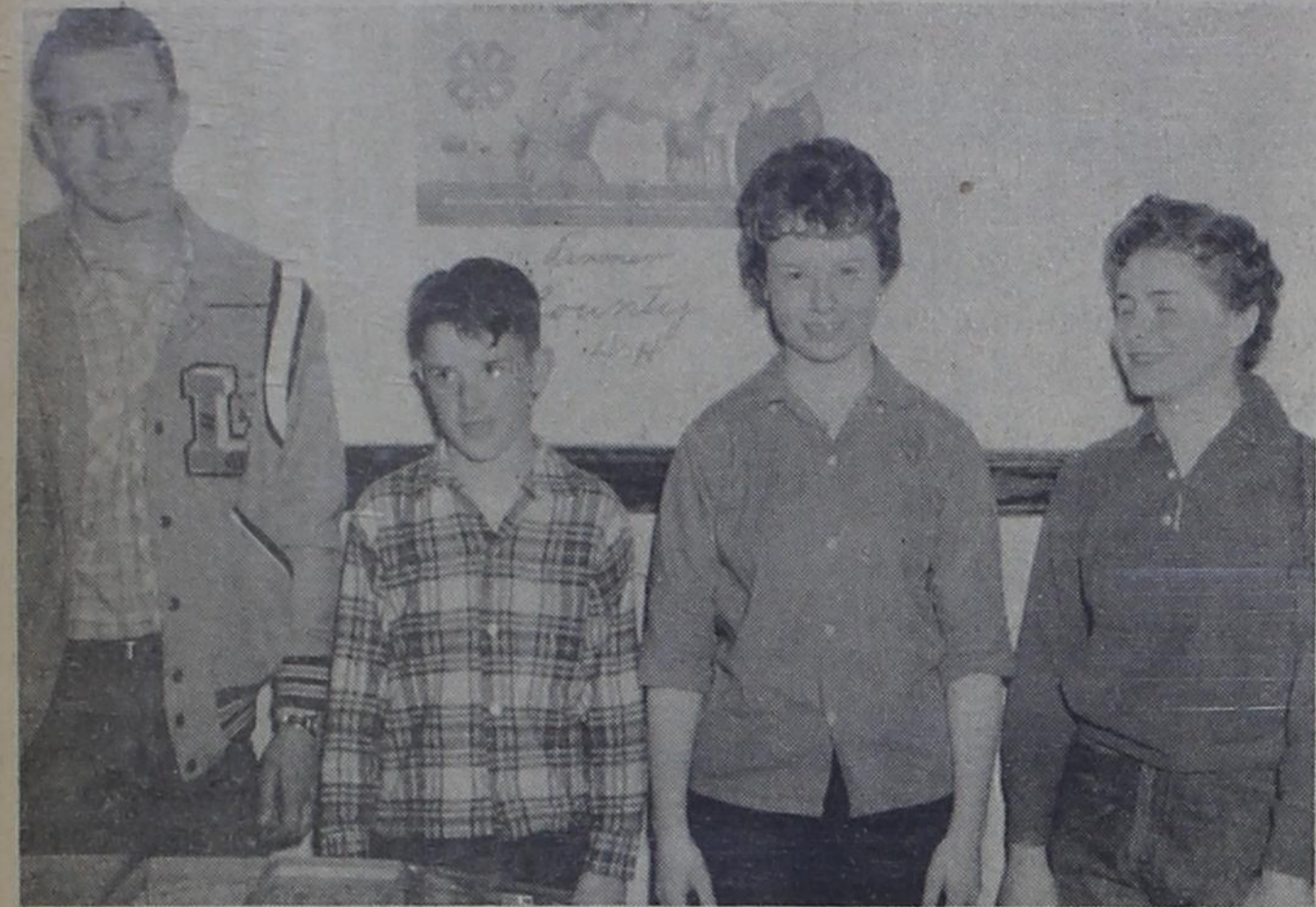
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THE HIGH PLAINS FARM AND HOME



A FOUR-H WEEK DISPLAY was set up Saturday morning in the lobby of the Parmer County Courthouse. Preparing the exhibit were left to right, Richard Chitwood, Bruce Billingsley, Pat Chitwood, and Judy Billingsley. The display features various projects completed by Parmer County youth.

Parmer County Junior Stock Show Postponed

With the conflicting dates of the State Basketball Tournament this weekend in Austin, officials of the Parmer County Junior Livestock Show felt that the best thing to do was postpone the show until the weekend of March 18 and 19.

Vocational ag teachers and the county agents have been contacted and tell us that they would in many cases appreciate an extra week on feed and the extra time to get animals cleaned up after this rough weather. Bill Nichols, general superintendent of the show announced.

After talking to all of the county teachers and the county agent we voted to postpone the

show as our own school will be out for two days and many of the people involved in the show want to see our girls win the State AA Basketball Championship in Austin.

The Parmer County Show, held annually in Friona, is sponsored by the Friona Lions Club and was originally scheduled for this weekend at the Friona bus barns.

All rules, with the exception of the weight limit concerning calves which was lowered to 650 pounds, will remain the same, only the date will be put off one whole week.

We hope this postponement will not inconvenience anyone, nor work a hardship on them, Nichols says, but we felt that with the best interests of the boys at heart it was best to put off the show until such time to avoid conflicting with the Austin playoffs.

ShIPLEY Is Census Director

Of interest to Parmer County residents is the appointment of Mrs. Donald Shipley, Hereford, as area census director. The count will start about April 1, with the complete count of population and other related information to be finished about April 28.

Mrs. Shipley will select 11 enumerators for Deaf Smith County and six for Parmer County, with a training meeting for them March 28-31.

Postmen will deliver a short form to each house in the country, with every fourth house getting a longer form with more questions. These are to be filled out and mailed to the census office in Amarillo. The short forms will be picked up by the enumerators who will check to see that all the information has been included on the form.

"It is imperative that all questions asked be answered since results of this census will be used by many groups during the next ten years," stated Clyde Cook, director of the United States Census for the 18th Congressional District.

Sales Price For CCC Cotton Set

Minimum sales prices for Commodity Credit Corporation stocks of upland cotton have been determined for the 1960-61 marketing year, according to Prentice L. Mills, office manager, Parmer County ASC.

The new sales prices are intended to emphasize farmers' marketings. The announcement will provide farm operators information on CCC's sales prices before March 16 deadline for electing choice (B) allotments and price support for the 1960 crop.

For 1959 and prior crops of upland cotton in CCC inventory, the new minimum sales price will be the higher of (1) the market price as determined by CCC, or (2) 115 per cent of the 1960 choice (B) loan rate. (This compares with the current 110 per cent of the loan rate.)

For 1960-crop cotton, the minimum sales price will be 110 per cent of the choice (B) loan rate; when the cotton is sold by the New Orleans CSS Commodity office, the minimum sales price will be the higher of (1) the market price as determined by CCC, or (2) 110 per cent of the choice (B) loan rate.

Mills points out that carrying charges will be added to the sales price, beginning with 10 points in October 1960 and increasing 20 points per month for each month thereafter to a maximum of 190 points in July 1961. The current monthly increase for carrying charges is 15 points per month for each month after October 1959.

THE PARMER FARMER

By W. H. Graham, Jr.

market was expanding. Only within the past two years did the situation get a little out of hand and in actuality the imbalance that was created between supply and demand was beyond the control of the parent organization. Imports from Central and South America upset the marketing pattern.

This year, however, imports on this farm seed do not appear to constitute a threat to the market which will be available for this year's production. Demand is estimated to be somewhere in the vicinity of ten million pounds. Production last year was around seven and one half million pounds and so the surplus which had been accumulated is rapidly being worked off.

This is all very good news to sesame growers. They can look forward to what will probably be a better market than last year and the brief two year dip in sesame prospects appears to have ended.

To illustrate why it is so necessary for the sesame association to exercise caution, consider that just one grower, Billy Marshall of Bovina, who raises around 600 acres per year is producing something like 5% of the nation's sesame output. It is easy to see what might happen to the sesame picture if only 100 of the 1000 irrigated farmers left in Parmer County should decide to raise a few hundred acres of sesame this year.

The sesame growers cannot be altogether protected from such an eventuality, since they do not operate under any formal system of acreage or production controls, but they do have a few tricks that help keep things in line.

The main one is simply the matter of education. They are quick to point out to prospective producers what would be the result if suddenly the irrigation farmers of the high plains should go "whole hog" on growing sesame.

The association also manages to monitor the distribution of seed fairly effectively. For example, if it appears that there is an unwarranted rush for seed to increase sesame acreage more than the market could probably handle, then the seed supply is tightened down on.

All in all, we think that the work that the Texas Sesame Grower's Association is doing is really outstanding. Although the contribution of this crop to our economic picture as a whole is as yet relatively insignificant, the progress which has been made since sesame growing was first introduced is very noteworthy. Furthermore, it has been progress of the soundest sort, and, in fact, sesame is the only minor cash crop with a stable record since large scale development of irrigation on the high plains.

Castor Bean Deal Real Possibility

Castor beans, an odious crop to Parmer County area farmers as recently as 15 years ago, may sound a lot sweeter in the light of recent developments. One development in particular makes their immediate comeback in the area a distinct possibility.

A contract has been entered into between Golden West Seed Company of Texico and Baker Castor Bean Company, Baker is "the" name in the United States castor bean industry, and for years has done business on the Plains from a location in Plainview.

James "Pat" Patrick of Golden West announced the first of the week that the state line firm had closed a deal with Baker that encompassed Parmer and Bailey Counties in Texas and Curry and Roosevelt counties in New Mexico.

Interest in castor bean production has taken a spurt upward in recent years, and especially in the past two. Castor bean yields and cash returns have been coming up while many other crops (namely milo) have been declining in price.

Golden West is shooting for around 4,000 acres in its territory this year. With a contract to guarantee a market of \$5.25 to farmers who enter into a production agreement, Patrick thinks they will get the acreage.

The seed, which will sell for 15 cents a pound, will cost growers around \$2.10 an acre, estimates Patrick. He doesn't feel that farmers will have to buy any extra equipment to handle the new crop. Fertilizer and irrigation requirements are similar to grain sorghum.

Moisture at harvesttime is no problem with castor beans, says Patrick. This, of course, has always been a factor in milo production. Also, stand ability is no problem as it is in some instances with feed grains.

The company manager says yields of beans should be something on the order of one-half the yield of grain sorghum grown with comparable care.

"If you take the typical irrigated milo yield of 4,000 pounds and compare that with castor beans yielding half that much, the beans come out ahead," says Patrick. He says harvesting costs will run in the neighborhood of \$12

an acre. Harvesting is one problem that caused castor bean production to be abandoned in the Parmer County area after it was introduced during the war.

The government encouraged bean production and included them in support price practices. Some acreage, particularly in the eastern part of the county, went into castor beans for several years.

However, a variety that could be harvested with a combine had not been developed. That problem has since been overcome, and in addition, Patrick assures prospective growers that adequacy of the special combines needed will be no problem. They will be available.

One thing about castor bean production that must be taken seriously is the need for a compatible cropping system. Castor beans and grain sorghum cannot be mixed. The beans are poisonous if fed to cattle.

Because of the volunteer problem, castor bean growing must

be worked into a rotation plan so that it can be followed by wheat, rye, or barley. This is not considered an insurmountable problem in farm management practices on the Plains.

The variety which Golden West will push this year is Baker 296. Patrick says that hybrid castor beans are just around the corner and should become available in a year or two.

Marketwise, castor beans are in a strengthening position. The nation imports about 87 per cent of its castor beans requirements now, and domestic production is being encouraged to meet the growing need.

Castor bean oil can be converted into a broad range of industrial applications. It has achieved recent publicity as an exotic, specialized lubricant for high temperature uses, such as jet aircraft. However, by far the biggest part of its market pull is for paints, varnishes, and more mundane industrial chores.

Fink New District Water Office Man

Two new men have recently joined the staff of the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District.

Donald L. Reddell comes to the Water District directly from Texas Technological College in Lubbock. He graduated in January of this year with a B. S. degree in agricultural engineering. He will primarily assist in technical and mapping work. He will be located in Lubbock at the District office.

Redell comes from Gail, in Borden County, where his parents have been in the farming business. He is married to the

former Minnie Ellen Cox of Lamesa. They reside at 4204 A 35th Street, Lubbock.

Bruce E. Fink will be stationed in Hereford. There he will be in charge of the Water District's field office. He will replace Wayne Wyatt, who has resigned to enter private business.

Fink is a native of western Kansas and was reared on a wheat farm and cattle ranch. He is a graduate of Kansas State University where he majored in Agriculture and Geology. He has been in the farming and cattle business and is a veteran of service with the U. S. Army.

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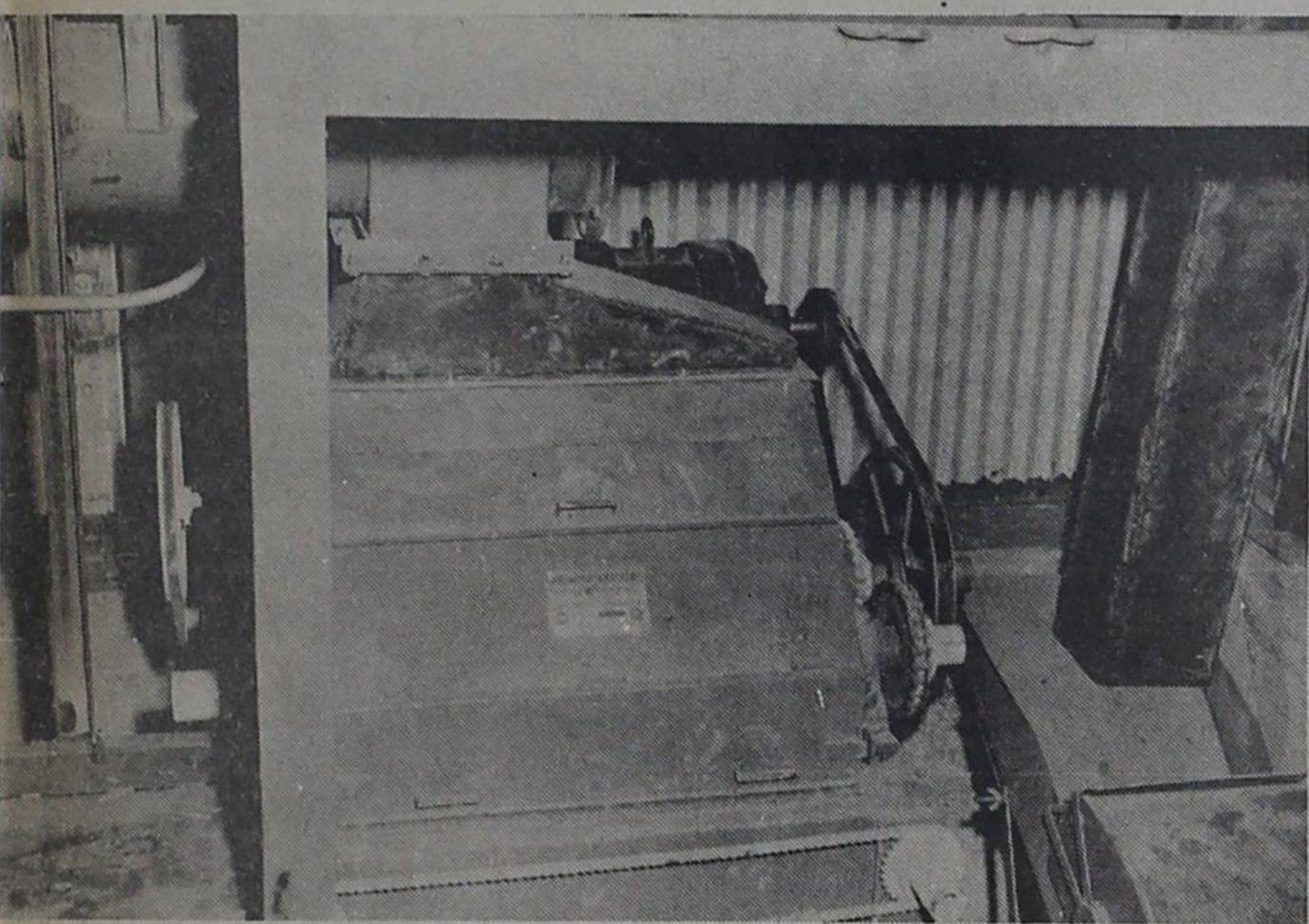
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THESE SCENES of the new feed mill at Cumming's Feed Store in Friona show some of the new equipment that will be available to do steam rolling, dry mixing, grinding and molasses mixing or area farmers who feed cattle and other stock. Doyle Cummings says the new set-up will be equipped to provide feed in either bulk or sack. The semi-automatic plant will be equipped with a molasses mixer, hammer mill, feed mixer and steam roller. Painters are putting the finishing touches on the plant.

NEWS FROM THE FARM BUREAU

BY RAYMOND EULER

Compliments are in order for Herman Gerles and Donald Christian, president and vice president respectively, for the fine way in which they conducted the meeting for the forty or so membership workers last week in the Hub Building. The speaker, Mr. Newberry, a young man who has worked with youth and adults alike in Farm Bureau for over eighteen years, is one we wish everyone in Parmer County could hear talk. He lives on a farm at Vernon, Texas, and is field man for American Farm Bureau in the Southern States. Buddy Hedges, Texas Organizational fieldman from Olton, introduced Mr. Newberry.

American Farm Bureau opposes every proposal for Federal Aid to Education, and there is one from the House and one from the Senate this year. American Farm Bureau also opposes the "Hog Payment" proposals.

AFBF supports appropriations for Brucellosis Eradication.

AFBF opposes proposals being made for federal aid to state agricultural experiment stations--(H. R. 9300.

AFBF supports proposals to lighten and change the appropriations for foreign aid... Supports bill to allow deduction from income for tax purposes 10% of net income for retirement provisions made by self employed persons... Supports States Rights bills... Opposes increase of minimum wage to \$1.25 and inclusion of many groups now exempt... Supports State Water Rights Legislation... These are just a few of the fundamental things you may like to know. There are hundreds of other related and un-related subjects you should know about. Please ask.

Regarding the farmer's share of your grocery dollar; did you know that if the dairy man gave the milk to the processor it would still cost you fourteen cents per quart? And surely you know that if the wheat farmer gave the wheat to the baker a loaf of bread would cost you only about three cents per loaf less than it now does. Also, when you hear all the talk, principally in many centrally controlled news dispensing mediums, about how the farmer or rancher is getting rich on sales of his products to the American household, consider this: The average industrial worker worked an hour to buy one and two tenths pounds of steak in 1929. In 1958, the same worker could buy two pounds of steak with the same hour's work (but he probably didn't do as much work).

Some of your Farm Bureau leaders will have been in Lubbock Wednesday morning to meet with officials of FB and the National Cotton Council to inaugurate plans to get more of the information before the public. The farmer needs the backing of the consuming public if he is to get the kind of legislation and administration necessary to his reasonable prosperity. Something to remember and think about is that much of the spread in price from the producer to consumer is in what is often referred to as "hidden taxes." Some have suggested that if each retail item bore the list of such taxes in plain figures, the public would be more apt to take an active interest in eliminating some of the unnecessary expenses.

A man and his wife were writing letters, when the husband looked up and said with a worried look on his face, "I had it on the tip of my tongue and now it's gone." "Don't worry, dear, it's bound to come back." "No, it won't. It was a 4-cent stamp."

Work Begins To Certify Parmer For Brucellosis

Steps are being taken to make Parmer County a "modified-certified" Brucellosis area. When work is completed, cattle from here will be permitted to move anywhere in the country without restrictions.

Decision to begin work on making this a certified area was made by a group of cattlemen at a breakfast meeting Thursday in Bovina. After discussing the advantages and disadvantages of the project, the group voted to begin circulating petitions.

Petitions are required by the state to have names of 75 per cent of people in the county who own cattle and the names must

represent 51 per cent of the cattle.

After the petitions are signed, the names, and the fact that the individuals pay taxes on cattle, will be verified by county tax assessor-collector. Then, the petitions will be sent to Austin to begin a 90-day waiting period. After that time, a hearing will be held.

If no protests are upheld at the hearing, "we'll be ready to start actual work," County Agent Joe Jones explains.

A state veterinarian and his crew will come to the county with a mobile laboratory to run blood tests on cattle. The crew will work every farm and ranch

which has cattle.

Cattle to be tested are:
1. All registered cattle;
2. All dairy cattle;
3. All cattle in herds of 20 or less; and
4. 20 per cent of all commercial herds.

If a reactor is found among the 20 per cent of a commercial herd, the remainder will be tested.

"With the mobile lab here, it will be only a short while until results of the tests are known," Jones says.

Earliest possible time testing could start is July 1. The group hopes that it will begin by that time so the county can be certified before movement of wheat pasture cattle next fall. When the work is completed, cattle from here may move anywhere without restrictions. Now, cattle must have blood tests before they may be moved to a modified-certified area.

Men who are circulating petitions--a total of 12--hoped to have a sufficient number of cattlemen's signatures by March 15. This will give the tax assessor-collector time to verify the names so the petitions can begin their 90-day waiting period in Austin by April 1.

Men who are circulating petitions are Frank Henson, Pete Buske, John Gammon, Jack Woltmon, Carl Schlenker, Jack McCracken, John West, Preach Edelman, Bill Nichols, A. L. Black, Sam Aldridge, and Bob Wilson.

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New Co-Op Fund For Stock Prizes

The Parmer County Farm Bureau has established a new cooperative-type fund to make it possible for members and interested persons to share in prize money paid outstanding young farmers who show stock, without making the contribution a burden on any one person.

This is being referred to as the "kitty" by the county farm organization, and is designed primarily to encourage youngsters who will show their animals at the county junior fat stock show in Friona next weekend.

"Most people don't realize that you don't have to pay the whole price for a pig, lamb, or calf at a show like this to participate," says Herman Gerles, FB president.

He explains that a "floor" is set under the sale by a buyer who agrees to take everything at that price, across the board. This is usually pretty close to

what the animals would bring if put through a commercial sales ring at the time.

Then, as an incentive to the young people to show their livestock, a premium is bid up by "bonus" buyers, and this is how higher-than-market prices are arrived at. The difference between the floor and what the animals ultimately sells at is what the Farm Bureau is making up a kitty for.

Thus, a man who helps provide a premium price for a show animal is not stuck with the entire purchase. It's true he doesn't get to take his hog or calf or sheep home with him, but he isn't out a billfold-full of money, either.

Directors kicked in about \$60 Monday night when the plan was formed, Gerles said. "We need to do something to get the burden off of the backs of the businessmen, who have been carrying all the load up until now," he added.

PCG Credits Parmer With 40,000 Bales

Most Parmer County cotton growers consider 1959 as a lousy year for their efforts. Figures released by Plains Cotton Growers this week credit them with 40,000-plus bales, though.

This isn't too happy a thought for area producers, who ginned 60,000 bales of money-making lint just the year before. Reversing the trend of recent years, Parmer County had a tougher time than most other producing counties of the Plains in 1959. All growers lumped together, Plains cotton growers harvested their second biggest cotton crop in history.

For 1959 the 23 counties of the Texas High Plains harvested and ginned 1,869,353 bales of cotton. This production is second only to the all-time record crop of 1958 when 2,025,433 bales were produced.

Thus 1959 becomes the fifth time in the last 10 years when Texas High Plains cotton production topped the 1 1/2 million-bale mark. Other top years were 1957 with 1,572,389 bales; 1956 with 1,654,904; 1954 with 1,581,148. Also 1949 saw 1,760,840 bales produced on the

Plains.

As to top ranking counties in cotton production, Lubbock County in 1959 ranked eighth in the nation with 209,790 bales. Other Plains counties included Hale with 180,274, tenth in the nation; Hockley with 178,398, eleventh in the country, and Lamb, 174,397, twelfth.

Kern County California was number one in the nation with 543,875 bales while Fresno County California was second with 483,878 and Tulare County California was third with 329,264.

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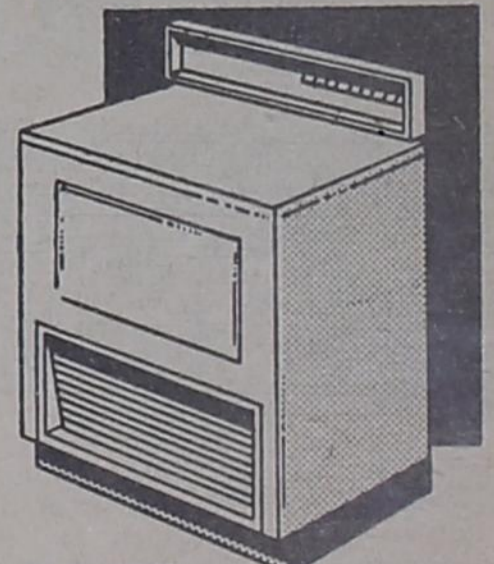


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Drive Nears Completion

About 30 Parmer County farmers and several Farmers Union officials met at the Golden Spread Cafe in Friona Thursday morning at 9 to discuss plans for completion of the membership drive.

Dickie, state president; Richard Alexander, state secretary; and Dwight Wilson of Denver, national organization director.

County officials present were T. O. Lesley of Lazbuddie, Parmer County president, Clyde Weatherly, Parmer County vice president and Friona president; and O. D. Spittler, county secretary. Locals represented were Bovina, Farwell, Friona and Lazbuddie.

Reports were given by each local concerning progress being

made on the membership drive and enrollment in the Blue Cross and Blue Shield plans. T. O. Lesley invites anyone interested in either of these projects to call Wyle Bullock, local Farmers Union insurance representative.

Lesley reported that Farmers Union is encouraged by the possibility of the passage of the Pogue bill, which is a bill designed to control production and pay 100% of parity to farmers for crops produced.

He further stated, "We of Farmers Union firmly believe that farmers would benefit much by a friendly administration and secretary of agriculture even if no other laws were passed. Secretary Benson now has the authority to raise price supports to 90% of parity if he so desires."

H. D. AGENT'S CORNER

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HOME ECONOMICS BRIEFS

WHAT IS A GOOD MEAL?... Extension foods and nutrition specialists of Texas A&M define it as one which meets the health needs of each individual in the family by providing one serving of all food groups listed in the Texas Food Standard... a daily guide for good eating. Basic patterns for breakfast, dinner and supper are given in their new extension bulletin entitled, "Quick Meals."

You will find tasty recipes, and easy-to-follow suggestions for preparing oven meals, one-dish meals, top-of-range and broiler meals, and pressure saucan meals. Soups and sandwich menus with recipes are included, too.

EGGS AND PORK HEAD THE PLENTIFUL FOODS LIST FOR MARCH... Egg production will be in-

creasing seasonally until April. Quality will continue high and prices are expected to be favorable. Large eggs will predominate on the market.

Consider such main dishes as eggs baked in cheese sauce, eggs creole, fluffy omelets and souffles, suggests Marie Tribble, extension foods and nutrition specialist of Texas A&M. For a special Lenten Platter, serve creamed hard-cooked eggs and shrimp in a rice ring... An economical, yet tasty dish.

NEW LOOK IN SUITS, JACKETS AND COAT DRESSES...

New coat dresses add special versatility to spring wardrobes this year.

Some versions of the new two-in-one style are being shown in novelty solid and printed silks. Soft, full skirts, neat, small collars, and low patch pockets are featured.

Waistlines are belted and sleeves are deep and wide usually ending at the elbow.

Worn as part of the costume, the full-skirted coat dress is paired with a slim dress in matching or contrasting fabric--colored coats over black dresses, pastel and black coats over white dresses, and coats in matching or blending fabrics and colors.

A few longer jackets, about twenty-three or twenty-four inches are being shown. Many dresses feature contrasting tops in prints or solid colored silks, attached to slim skirts.

The print is repeated in jacket linings. Big buttons and wider sleeves are important details on short jackets.

This year the Chanel box jacket is lengthened to just below the

hipbone. Cardigan jackets are popular again. Contrasting pipings and in double-breasted styles, with piped patch pockets, and brass buttons are favorites this year.

STYLE TRENDS FOR SPRING AND SUMMER

Big sleeves, full skirts and costumes with waist length jackets take the limelight in style trends for spring and summer, according to Reba Merle Boyles, extension clothing specialist of Texas A&M.

Waistlines mark the current normal position of many fashions instead of last year's high-waisted effect. But gradually shifting to the other extreme, lowered waist lines, either in fitted long torso bodices or shallow hip yokes in full-skirted dresses are appearing on the scene. Soft pleats around the waistline are being used to develop a rounded hip-line. Circular skirts are reappearing after an absence of several years. Many slim skirts taper to the hemline to form a new cone shape.

Black makes big news in color for midday. But the trend toward pale colors is also evidenced by widespread use of beige, chalk-white and pearl gray. Soft fruit colors of lime, orange, mint and strawberry appear in solid colored silks and silk prints. Black and white and shades of brown in prints are new looking. Designs range from giant florals through interesting abstracts. Checks are everywhere.

Texture is important with dobby weaves, eyelash fringe and woven checks adding surface interest to silks, cottons and blended fabrics. On the other extreme, many lightweight fabrics are being used to give a soft feminine look to daytime and evening costumes.

POLITICAL CALENDAR

The Parmer County newspapers have been authorized to announce the candidacies of the following persons, subject to the action of the first Democratic Primary May 7, 1960.

FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE, 96th Legislative Dist.:

Jesse Osborn (Re-Election)
Bill Shelby

FOR CHIEF JUSTICE, Court of Civil Appeals:
James G. Denton
Jesse Owens

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY of the 154th Judicial Dist.:
Bill Sheehan (Re-Election)
Jack Young

FOR SHERIFF of Parmer County:
Chas. Lovelace (Re-Election)

FOR ASSESSOR - COLLECTOR of Parmer County:
Lee Thompson (Re-Election)

FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY of Parmer County:
Hurschel Harding (Re-Election)

FOR COMMISSIONER of Precinct No. 1:
Wesley Hardesty
E. G. Phipps (Re-Election)
Tom Lewellen

FOR COMMISSIONER of Precinct No. 3:
Guy Cox
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The commemorative four-cent stamp, printed in 3 colors, will be issued April 18 at the National Watershed Congress in the national capital at a ceremony featuring three cabinet members, Agriculture Secretary Ezra Taft Benson, Interior Secretary Fred A. Seaton, and Postmaster Arthur E. Summerfield.

The stamp will go on sale on the following day, April 19, at other post offices throughout, including those in Parmer County.

"The beautiful new stamp dramatizes the fact that water is today our most precious and most limiting natural resource. The stamp is being released at the Seventh National Watershed Congress because of the influence of upstream land treatment and small dams in

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INSTRUMENTS FILED FOR RECORD WEEK ENDING MARCH 5, 1960 at the County Clerk's Office in Parmer County:

W.D., Ernest F. Lokey, Jr., James M. Miller, Lots 3, 4, 5, & 6, Blk. 27, Farwell

W.D., William L. Bates, Louis J. Brosch, NW/4 Sec. 26, Blk. B, Syn. SW/4 Sec. 26, T9S, R1E

MML, Robert Dickey, Simco Texas Corp, Lot 12, Blk. 2, Baxter Add., Friona

MML, H. L. Garner, Joe Crume, E/2 Lots 1 & 2, Blk. 13, Farwell

D.T., G. W. Fleming, Prudential Ins. Co., SW/4 Sec. 25, T3S, R3E

MML, Lee Spring, Frank A. Spring, Lots 2 & 3, Blk. 19, Friona

Ab. of Judg., W. J. Ely, Trustee, Billie Sudderth--

Ab. of Judg., W. J. Ely, Trustee, S. E. Redden--

D.T., H. C. Wells, Commodity Credit Corp., 10 a. Sec. 33, T1N, R4E

MML, O. D. Bingham, et al, Ray-Lee Construction Co., Part Blk. 3, Otis-Ford Sub. of Part Blk. 3, Lakeside, Friona

W.D., Billie G. Meeks, C. H. Whitner, Lots 17, 18, 19 & 20, Blk. 58, Farwell

D.T., Helen Horn McCullough, Federal Land Bank, S/2 Sec. 16, Blk. B, Syn.

D.T., Willie Steinbock, Federal Land Bank, E/2 Sec. 89, Blk. H, Kelly

W.D., C. C. Christian, et al, Oklahoma Lane Farm Supply, 80' x 484' tract S/2 Sec. 21, T10S, R2E

D.T., E. T. Ford, Plainview P.C.A., NE/4 Sec. 12, T11S, R3E

D.T., W. B. Fulgham, Northwestern Mutual Life Ins. Co., Sec. 21 & N/2 Sec. 28, T3S, R3E

W.D., Martin McGuire, B. L. McGuire, S/2 Sec. 29, D & K

W.D., Charles L. Lenau, Edwin V. Williams, S60' Lot 3 & N 25' Lot 4, Blk. 6, Mimo Add., Farwell

WATER CONSERVATION



UNITED STATES POSTAGE

small watersheds on our water supplies.

This Congress brings together each year representatives of 30 or more agricultural and conservation organizations concerned with water problems in the nation's small watersheds.

The Parmer County Soil Conservation District is now taking orders from local land owners and operators for Arizona cypress seedlings for farmstead windbreaks. Applications for not less than 50 or more than 400 are being accepted at the Soil Conservation Service, Steve Messenger's office and the office of the County Agricultural Agent. Price to you for the potted seedlings is 30¢ each.

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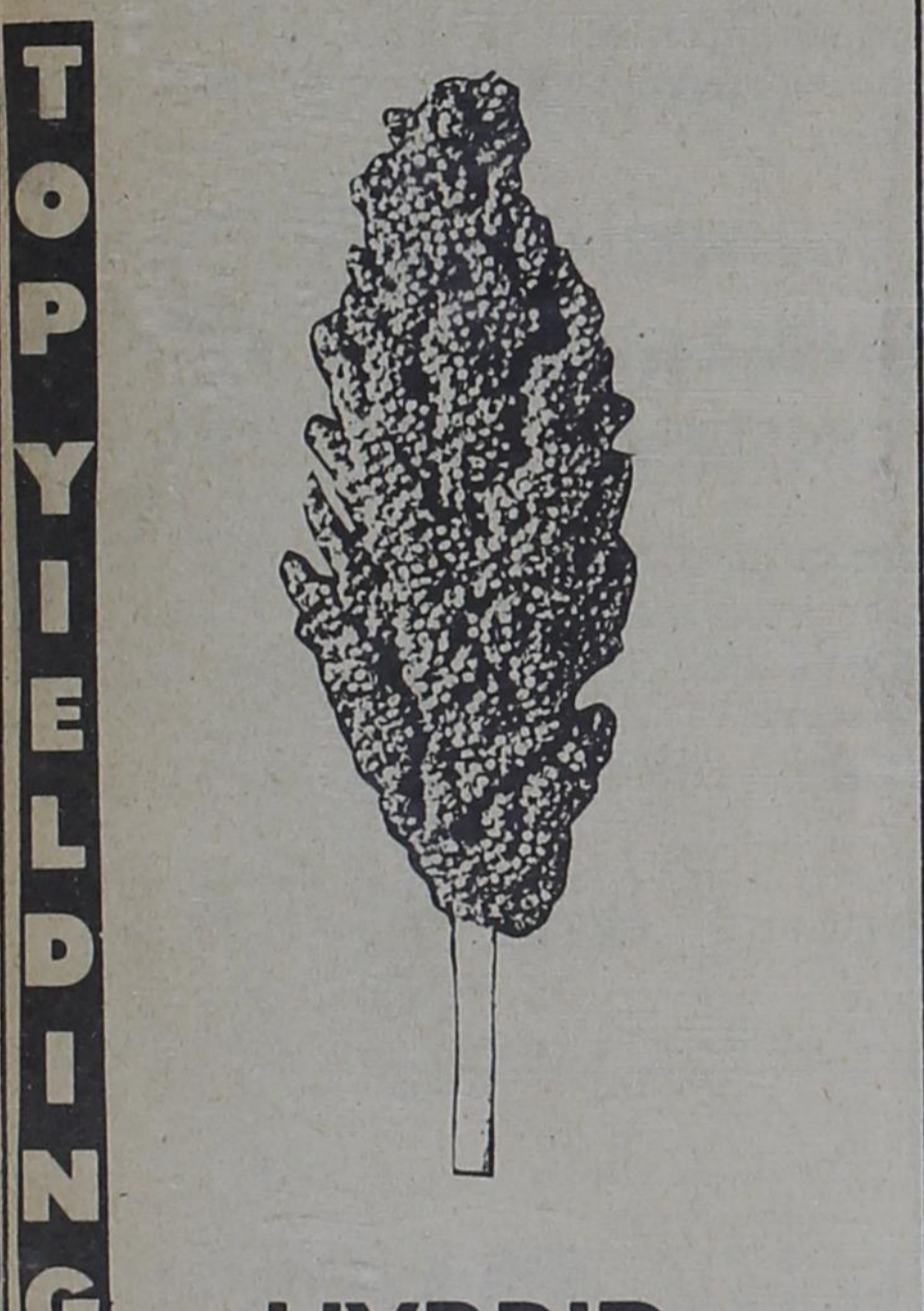
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Of Interest To THE WOMEN



Dorcas Circle--Bovina Methodist ladies pictured in parsonage following their regular monthly luncheon and study Wednesday. From left to right are Mrs. Pearl Moore, Mrs. Frank Wilson, Mrs. Earl Richards, Mrs. Pat Kunselman, Mrs. Davis Edens, hostess, and Mrs. Warren Morton, Mrs. John Wilson, and Mrs. Mable Newberry. Children seated are Lesia Ragsdale, Stephanie Hoffer, and Artie Kunselman.

Has Luncheon And Study

Dorcas Circle of Bovina Methodist Church met Wednesday for regular covered dish luncheon at the parsonage with Mrs. Davis Edens as hostess.

Those present were Meses. Pearl Moore, Frank Wilson, Earl Richards, Pat Kunselman, Warren Morton, John Wilson, Mabel Newberry, Delores Hoffer, and Mack Ragsdale. Also

Stephanie Hoffer, Lesia Ragsdale and Artie Kunselman.

Rev. Davis Edens was a guest for lunch.

A continuation of study on "Isiah Speaks" was given by Mrs. Pat Kunselman.

The members have a new order of all occasion cards and Easter cards for sale. Any interested person may contact any member for these cards.

FHA Girls To Area I Meet

"Stairway to the Stars" was theme of Area I FHA meeting staged in Lubbock Municipal Auditorium Saturday and attended by sixteen girls and six adults from Bovina.

The group took part in group singing, heard a talk by the Area I president, Jan Barton of Matador, and address by national FHA president, Sandra Hollingsworth of Raton, N. M.

Bovina, Farwell, and Friona chapters presented a devotional entitled "God Created Man." Bovina girls participating in this were Leslie Fourmentin, Cynthia Patterson, and Janet Gooch.

Brenda Jones sang alto and Judy Roach first soprano in the Area I choir.

Penny Lloyd acted as voting delegate representing the local chapter in election of new officers.

An impressive installation service of new officers climaxed the day's events.

Attending from Bovina were Patricia Crawford, Cynthia Patterson, Patsy Hart, Patsy Richards, Benita Diaz, Amelia Valverde, Janice Leake, Margaret Taylor, Floye Smith, Judy Meacham, Leslie Fourmentin, Janet Gooch, Cynthia Patterson, Judy Roach, Brenda Jones and Penny Lloyd.

Adults attending were Meses. Dorothy Morton, Patton, Jack Patterson, Roy Crawford, Mason, and Superintendent Warren Morton.

Mrs. Eva Gaines was admitted to Clovis Memorial Hospital Monday night suffering from pneumonia.

Birthday Dinner Honors Three

Mrs. Eva Gaines, Mrs. Doris Barbee, and Rev. John Ferguson were honored with a joint birthday dinner Monday in the home of Troy and Lady Armstrong.

Members of the Bovina Widow's Club were special guests.

The bountiful spread was served from the dining table centered with the birthday cake shaped like a song book. The honoree's cake was decorated with the words and music of their favorite songs; "The Old Rugged Cross," "Eva's favorite," "Sentimental Journey," "Doris' favorite," and "Too Old To Cut the Mustard" as a joke on Rev. Ferguson.

Following the meal, the

honorees open their gifts. Rhonda Barbee, four year old granddaughter of Granny Gaines, sang Happy Birthday Song for the honored ones.

Attending were Mrs. Betty Adams, Lula White, Lucy Wilson, Ethyl McCasland, Lorena Brock, O. W. Rhinehart, Viola Loftin, Margaret and Rita Caldwell, Ethel Glover, Dollie Williams, Dottie Ward, Pearl Osborn, Ora Gunn, Mary Ruth Martin, Bessie Caldwell, Ellen Remnsnider, Lula Smith, Madee Brown, Ola Free, Bernice Ferguson and daughter, Achsa Armstrong, Don French, Nettielee Wilson and Shelia and Junior Barbee.



BIRTHDAY HONOREES--Celebrating a March 7 birthday together Monday at a dinner party in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Troy Armstrong were Doris Barbee, Eva Gaines, and Rev. John Ferguson. Mrs. Gaines is holding their cake decorated with words and music to their favorite song.

Mrs. Walter Kaltwasser Speaks At Church Banquet

There were approximately 60 in attendance at Ladies Night Banquet Tuesday evening in Bovina Methodist Church, for an inspirational program, Christian fellowship, and musical entertainment.

Mrs. Walter Kaltwasser of Lariat Lutheran Church was guest speaker of the evening. Her topic was "Citizenship In This Country and Heaven." Mrs. Kaltwasser a former citizen of Great Britain told of the many decisions she had to make, and study involved before attaining citizenship in the United States of America. She concluded her address with a poem she composed last Thanksgiving Day.

Also special guests at the banquet were Mr. Kaltwasser and his mother.

David Willard of Plainview provided musical entertainment for the evening. He played the newly purchased Kimball organ.

Members of program committee were J. T. Hammonds, Vernon Willard, and L. M. Grissom.

Those in charge of food for

the bountiful meal were Wilbur Charles, D. R. Bushnell, and Vernon Estes.

Baptist Group Goes Bowling

Mrs. Fannie Hudson accompanied her girls' Sunday School class of First Baptist Church to Clovis Monday night to bowl and eat Mexican food.

Those going were Jeanne Ivy, Elaine Fuller, Mary Ann McKinney, Mary Joyce Webb, Vicki Strawn, Carole Jean Hastings, Paula Kay Kerby, and Cooper Young from Lazbuddie.

To Sing On Breakfast Club

A local vocal trio, "The Dream - Ups" composed of Brenda Jones, Janice Leake, and Marilyn Brandon, will be guests on KCLV Clovis "Breakfast Club" this Saturday morning. Accompanist for the group is Verna Marie Estes. Miss New Mexico will be interviewed on the program the same morning.

The March 12 program will be aired at 10:30 CST.

The "Dream-Ups" will be competing for first place in an area talent show Thursday night in Farwell. The show begins at 8 p. m. and admission will be charged.

Hammonds Class Has Social

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Caldwell and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Charles were host couples Thursday night for the monthly social of Hammonds Sunday School Class of Bovina Methodist Church.

Parlor games were played by the group for entertainment.

Cherry pie, coffee and tea were served to Rev. Davis Edens, Mr. and Mrs. John Dixon, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Estes, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Beauchamp, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Stevenson, Mr. and Mrs. Bedford Caldwell, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Wilson, Mrs. Rouel Barron, and Jim Bouldin.

Emmett Tabor underwent surgery in Clovis Memorial Hospital Tuesday morning at 10 a. m.



WIDOWS' CLUB--Invited as special guests at the observance of Eva Gaines 83rd birthday dinner were Widows' Club members from left to right Lula Smith, Ola Free, Ida McSpadden, Ellen Remnsnider, Bessie Caldwell, Pearl Osborn, Betty Adams, Margaret Caldwell. Front row from left to right are Ethel Glover, Eva Gaines, Lucy Wilson, Madee Brown, and Rita Caldwell.

D. E. Scott Speaker

D. E. Scott of Wellington, writer of Crossroads Report in Amarillo Daily News and other newspapers, will be featured speaker at the annual BWSO Husband's Night supper in Bovina Woman's Clubhouse Thursday evening at 7.

Social committee composed of Meses. Reagan Looney, A. E. Steelman, Rouel Barron, Arlin Hartzog, Frank Turner, and Joe M. Brown, are in charge of arrangements for the chuck wagon meal.

All members are urged to attend with their husbands to hear this highly recommended speaker.

OPAL ROBERTSON VISITS O. E. S.

Deputy Grand Matron, Opal Robertson of Hereford, was present for regular meeting of Bovina Order of Eastern Star Thursday evening in Masonic Hall. She gave official instructions.

Mrs. Loucille Foster and Mrs. H. J. Charles were hostesses for a social hour that followed. Approximately 30 were in attendance.

Freshman Class Has Night Out

Freshman class of Bovina High School had a bowling party and went to the show in Clovis Friday night. They bowled two lines and saw "The Rookie" afterwards.

The group was accompanied by their sponsor, Charles Don Smith, and Mrs. J. W. Wright and Mrs. Tessie Jones.

Those taking part in the activities were Vicki Strawn, Gary Stevenson, Vi Steelman, Ken Horn, Delbert Morris, Pat O'Brien, Virginia Rea, Joe Jones, Dixi Hartzog, Carole Hastings, Bobby Ellison, Don Cumpton, Glenda Cruz, Butch Woltman, Earl Riley, Dickie Clayton, Julian Berry, Wyndol Davies, Lowell Boozer, Lawrence Krieger, and Jimmy Wright.

Showers Honors Billy Don Reads

A bridal shower in Baptist Church Annex Saturday afternoon honored Mr. and Mrs. Billy Don Read.

Hostesses were Ola Lee Jones, Mildred Davies, Pat Sherrill, Lucille Walling, Lula White, Mary Jane Wilson, Jewel Tabor, Dottie Ward, Mary Ruth Martin, Ruby Woltman, Gladys Wright, and Mable Ellison.

The honoree's chosen colors were carried out on a serving table laid with white lace over blue and centered with a dried arrangement of brown and blue. Cookies and hot punch were served to the guests who called. Gifts were sent by 117.



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225 Visit During Public School Week

Over 225 people visited Bovina Schools last week during Public Schools Week, Superintendent Warren Morton estimates.

"We were very pleased with the number of people who came to visit," the superintendent says.

This is the largest number which has ever visited during the special week.

Bovina Lions was the only organization to visit school as such. They ate lunch in the cafeteria Thursday.

Group Protests--

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tained only one man who has school-age children.

The committee was chosen by the school board. Warren Embree headed the group in charge of nominations.

Embree said that he "thinks it is a good idea to get more candidates into the election."

"The committee didn't think much about whether its nominees had school children or about how old the children were. We sought only to nominate qualified men who could and would serve," Embree said.

Speaking for the committee, Embree said he "urges the interested persons who want to elect other candidates for the office to write in their candidates' names and advertise their selections before the election."

Another point the write-in group is displeased about is that the names "weren't published

sooner." First announcement of the committee's nominations was made last week in The Blade. The Blade is published on Wednesday afternoon and the deadline for filing for a place on the ballot was also Wednesday.

Reason for the names being made public so late was explained thusly by the committee and Superintendent Warren Morton: (1) There was a mix-up about the deadline that wasn't solved until shortly before the final day. (2) The committee had difficulty contacting the nominees to get their consent to be placed on the ballot.

Mrs. F. D. Carter said 16 of the 20 persons she talked with Saturday were for a write-in campaign.

Members of the nominating committee were Embree, Ovid Lawlis, J. T. Hammonds and Boye Taylor.

The nominees are D. R. Bushnell, Grady Sorley, J. B. Barrett, and M. R. Boardman.

Terms of Board President Bob Wilson and Member Wendol Christian expire this year. The election will fill their posts.

Letters received by The Blade on the issue appear below:

Dear Editor and Whom it may Concern:

We would like to voice our opinion to you and to the community. We certainly aren't in favor of having men on the school board who have no children in school. (We have nothing against the men who were chosen.) It's just that their interest is not what it should be and will be when they have school children.

We feel there are available men who have children in the upper grades that would take the responsibility and whose interest in the school has developed through the years.

This is a major concern of the community and we would like for everyone to know that we don't think it is right, fair or for the best interest of the school.

What do you think can and should be done?

Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Carter
Mrs. C. A. Gauntt
Mr. and Mrs. John Lide
Mrs. J. D. Stevens
Boyd Gilreath
Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Jones
Mrs. Howard Looney
B. Hawkins
Mr. and Mrs. Tony Ivy
Mrs. Earl Richards
Billie Sudderth
Laurence Jamerson
Mrs. Lloyd Killough
Mrs. Fred Paine
Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Venable
Bob Johnston Jr.

Dear Editor,

Seems there is some talk about the men who were nominated to be on the school board. I am in favor of men being on the school board who have children in school and who are tax payers and property owners.

Also I am in favor of having half women and half men on the school board. There are as many girls going to school as boys. Men don't understand some problems that girls have. Also I think the nominating committee should have published the names they chose a week or so before closing time so people or the paper could have known.

There are as many women paying taxes and they have as much voice as men.

Mrs. Elton R. Venable

Dear Editor,

I do, with all my heart, think that the Bovina school system should have board members who have children in grade and high school.

I think this would help our school progress very much. Parents on the school board with children in school will take more interest in the needs and wants of children.

As anyone knows, we need more attention focused on our school activities.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Harold Hawkins

Dear Editor,

We feel that every phase of school life should be represented in the community. Therefore, we need school board members who have children in school and particularly more who have high school children.

We feel like the men who were selected by the nominating committee are fine men and in future years all of them would make good members, but at the present, they cannot be very interested in the school.

Signed,
Mr. and Mrs. Richard Vaughn
Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Dameron
Mr. and Mrs. Harley Riddle
Mr. and Mrs. Ordie Jones
Mrs. Tom Beauchamp
Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Redden
Mrs. Amos Shockley
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Tom: "Why? What would you do with an elephant?"

Jack: "Who wants the elephant, I just want the money."

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Reefer Driver: "Where you been so long? You mean you haven't seen that dazzling new blonde waitress up at Mac's Diner?"
Tanker Driver: "Naw, never heard of her, much less seen her."

Reefer Driver: "Well, you better hurry on up there and feast your eyes on her, 'cause Mac's letting her go at the end of the week. His crowd has picked up but his business has fallen off terribly since she's been there."
Tanker Driver: "I don't get it. If his crowds are bigger, why has his business fallen off?"
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Christian, Parr Represent Farmer

Wendol Christian of Oklahoma Lane and Bruce Parr of Black represented Farmer County at a state vegetable growers' meeting in San Antonio last week.

Tentative name of the organization, which was formed at the meeting, is Texas Vegetable Growers Council. Primary purpose of the council will be to stress quality of Texas vegetables.

Some 50 vegetable growers from across the state were in attendance.

Whittlin'--

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letters is that the writers think that school trustees should have children in the "upper grades." In our opinion, that would be a flimsy qualification for a school trustee.

We say that to say this: IF A TRUSTEE ATTEMPTS TO RUN THE SCHOOL SYSTEM FOR THE BENEFIT OF ONLY HIS CHILDREN, OR THOSE IN THE SAME AGE GROUP, HE'LL BE DOING A POOR JOB FOR HIMSELF, THE COMMUNITY AND THE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

If he doesn't attempt to do what's best for the complete school system, we hope he gets outvoted on the things he wants done, no matter what they may be.

Another thing we think needs pointing out: There are seven men on a school board. Therefore, it takes four men to control it. One man can do nothing but be a part of the group. We're glad it's that way and it would be well to keep that in mind.

With all due respect to present, past, and future trustees, we want to say that our school system would probably be upset but little even if Khrushchev himself were a member of the seven-man democratic board.

Letters to the Editor

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Thank you, Frankie McKinney

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Thank you very much. Sincerely,
Mrs. Frank Coleman Jr.

Bovina Ladies Win At Clovis

Mary Marr's ladies bowling team won first place in city tournament at Clovis Bowling Center over the weekend with a total team score of 2823.

Those bowling on the team were Rose McCain, Dorothy Sorley, Alta Hutto, Fern Harris, and Marie Hutto. The team won \$50 and individual and team trophies.

The Texas lassies also brought home more honors when Rose McCain won first place in women's singles with at 644 score for three games. She received \$35, a trophy and a pin.

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