



SANTA COUNTDOWN....Three young residents of Bovina have begun their "Countdown to Santa Claus," and are shown at the family's fireplace, from where they anticipate the visit of Old St. Nick. From the left are Tony, Lori and Angie Beauchamp, children of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Beauchamp.



I'VE BEEN GOOD....Ross Miller, 21-month-old son of Amanda and Kent Miller of Bovina, seems to be happy as he visits with Santa Claus. Ross is typical of the millions of small fry who are excitedly awaiting the big day, December 25.

Beauchamps Typical Family At Christmas

By June Floyd

Mike and Debra Beauchamp and their three children, Angela, 6; Lori, 4, and Tony, 2, make up a farm family which still lives on the farm.

These five live south and east of town. Mike farms and runs cattle. He and Debra are also part owners of one of Bovina's newest enterprises, The Body Connection, which is located in the northeast corner of the Bovina Blade Building.

Other owners include Dennis and Tammy Willard, Larry and Judy

Hodnett and Joe and Esther Steelman. The Body Connection offers supervised exercise programs for persons from the age of two.

Mike's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Beauchamp, and Debra's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Grady Sorley, are all long time residents of the Bovina area.

Mike and Debra are both graduates of Bovina High School. He was in the 1971 graduating class and attended Texas Tech University, Lubbock, one year before he started farming on a full time basis.

The couple was married soon after Debra's graduation in 1973.

Christmas time for this family means time spent together at home and visits to the homes of both sets of parents.

This year they plan to go to Olton to visit Debra's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Jones.

Cooking is one of Debra's favorite chores and following are some of her favorite recipes.

Christmas Quiche

Pastry for 9-inch deep-dish pie
½ cup chopped chicken
1 cup (4 ounces) shredded cheddar cheese
¼ cup chopped green peppers
2 tablespoons chopped pimentos
6 eggs, beaten
1 cup half-and-half
1 tablespoon instant minced onions
½ to ¾ teaspoon seasoned salt
¼ teaspoon pepper

Line a 9-inch quiche dish or pie pan with pastry. Prick bottom and sides of pastry with fork. Bake at 400° for 3 minutes. Remove from oven and gently prick with fork. Bake 5 minutes longer. Let cool on rack.

Sprinkle chicken, cheese, green pepper and pimento in pastry shell. Combine remaining ingredients beating well. Pour into pastry shell. Bake at 425° for 30-40 minutes or until set. Let stand 10 minutes before serving.

Cranberry Salad

1 cup ground raw cranberries
1 cup sugar
1 cup small marshmallows
1 cup chopped pecans
½ cup crushed pineapple
1 cup whipped cream

Pour sugar over cranberries and let stand in refrigerator for 2-4 hours until sugar is dissolved. Mix remaining ingredients and fold in whipped cream. Place in refrigerator until set.

Date Loaf Candy

2 cups sugar
1 package dates
1 cup chopped pecans
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 cup milk

Cook milk and sugar in large saucepan until a firm ball forms when small amount is dropped in cold water. Add dates and cook 2 minutes more. Remove from heat. Beat candy until thick and creamy. Add nuts and vanilla. Pour out on damp cloth. Shape in loaf. Roll up in cloth and let harden.

Susan's Cheese Ball

2-8 oz. pkg. cream cheese
4 green onions with tops chopped also
2 large celery stalks, finely chopped
¼ cup chopped pecans
½ teaspoon Lowry's seasoned salt then to taste

Mix all ingredients and shape into ball.

Million Dollar Fudge

4½ cups sugar
2 tablespoons butter
Pinch salt

1 can evaporated milk
Boil two minutes.
Put in a large bowl:
12 oz. milk chocolate chips
1 pint marshmallow cream
12 oz. German chocolate
2 cups chopped pecans

Pour boiling syrup over ingredients in bowl. Beat until all chocolate is melted and blended well. Pour in 16x8x2 inch pan. Let stand several hours before cutting.

Whitten Family Has Busy Season

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Whitten and son, Bret, at 801 Sherwood Lane, is attractively furnished and many of the decorations are meaningful to the family as heirlooms or evidence of the efforts of one family member or another.

Norma, the attractive wife and mother, has a lot of talent and energy and spends most of it making a home for Earl and Bret. She does China painting, is an avid flower grower, does some substitute teaching in Bovina schools, travels some with her husband and assists her son with his many projects and interests.

Earl, Norma and Bret moved to Bovina from Amarillo May 1, 1956. Soon thereafter construction started on their present home and they moved in in October that same year.

The former Norma Russell grew up in Miami, Texas, but moved with her father, the late C.B. Russell, and mother, Aylene Russell, who lives at 807 Ridgelea Drive, and one sister to Claude, Texas, after she completed her sophomore year in high school.

After graduating from Claude High School, she worked in the bank there one year before enrolling at West Texas State University, Canyon.

While attending West Texas State, she met Earl Whitten, who was also a student there. Earl had grown up in the Cary Community in Childress County.

When the couple married in 1954, they were both working and attending college at the same time. Norma was employed by Shamrock Oil & Gas Company in Amarillo, a position she held for several years while completing requirements for a degree in business management at West Texas.

Earl, an accounting major, graduated from West Texas State,

then served two years in the United States Armed Forces before returning to the Texas Panhandle to set up an accounting practice in Amarillo and one in Dumas. By this time he had reached C.P.A. status and, with a business partner, began to serve many firms and individuals.

When Bret was born, Earl and Norma agreed that they wanted him to have the advantages of attending a smaller school. Both of them were farm life oriented and decided to buy an acreage close enough to Claude for Bret to go to school there while Earl commuted to Amarillo and Dumas.

Before these plans materialized, Earl became acquainted with G.B. Anderson Jr. of Sherry-Anderson Grain in Parmer County and the two devised a different plan.

One day Earl came home from work and asked, "How would you like to move to Bovina?" Norma answered with a one word question, "When?"

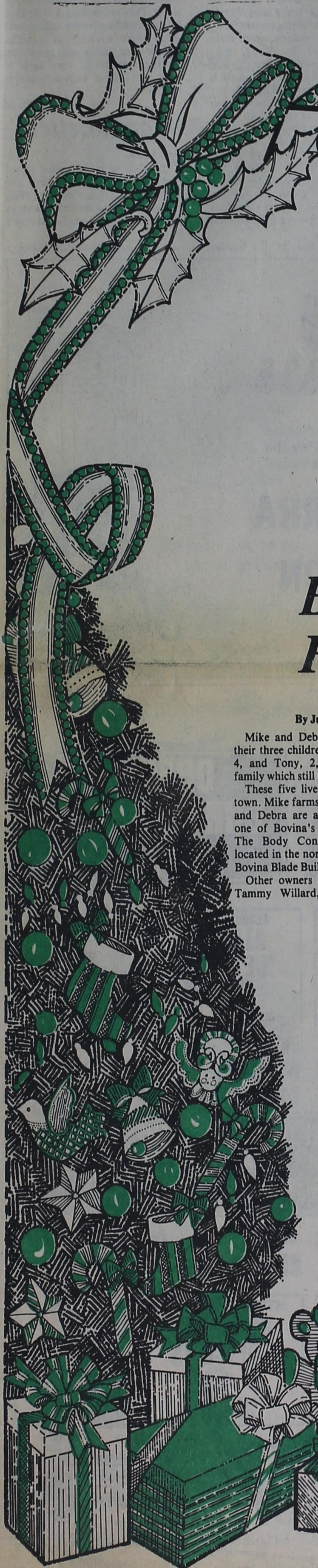
Earl arranged sale of his business with the stipulation that he stay through the current income tax period. By the end of April in 1965 everything was properly arranged and the Whitten family moved to Bovina the following day.

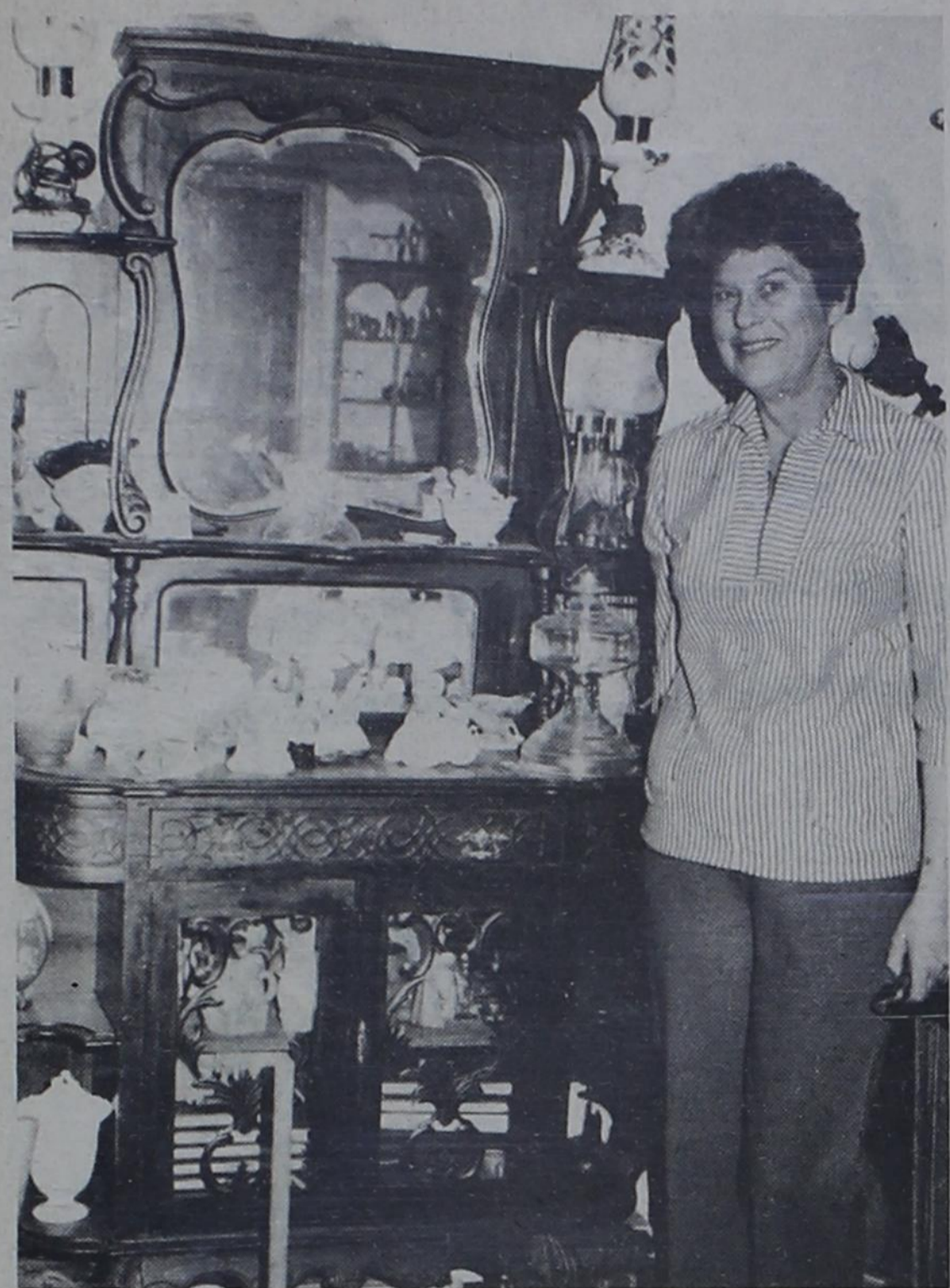
Norma says, "Bovina has been everything we'd hoped for in a small town. The people have been wonderful to us and we've thoroughly enjoyed being a part of such a fine community."

Bret started to school in the fall of 1971 and is a senior in Bovina High School. Since starting to high school, he has been especially interested in Future Farmers of America. He has held offices in the local chapter and at the present is serving as an Area 1 vice president.

Last month he attended the National Future Farmers of America

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LAMPS ANYONE?...Ruby Davies collects and deals in antiques and is pictured here with an assortment of lamps sitting on one of her older pieces. Antique mugs and figurines complete the setting.

Bovina's Ruby Davies Is Avid Antique Collector

If you are shopping for an antique for a Christmas gift, for your own use, or for any other reason, you can probably find just what you're looking for at the Pete and Ruby Davies home in southeast Bovina. They have just about everything from a French etagere (parlor cabinet), which was imported from France in the late 1800's to a cut glass toothpick holder.

R.G. (Pete) Davies, 706 East Street, is a native of Bovina. His parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. Ray Davies, were pioneer residents of this area. He has one sister, Mrs. Richard Shoenig, who lives in Lubbock. He attended school here from the first grade and is a 1939 graduate of Bovina High School.

He lived in Friona a few years during the 1960's when he was the manager of the Golden Spread Labor Association. He and Ruby Brown, a native of Arizona, who moved to Friona from Truth or Consequences, New Mexico in 1962, were married later that year and moved to Bovina in 1967.

Ruby's initial interest in collecting antiques centered around adding different things to her home furnishings. Later she began to sell some of the things she collected and the business of buying and selling all different kinds of antiques stemmed from this small beginning.

Later, she became interested in upholstery and re-finishing furniture for her home. As she became more adept in these arts, friends and neighbors began to call on her for different jobs.

Soon her talents became known in wider circles and her services were more and more in demand. About this time she enlisted Pete's assistance--especially in the stripping operation.

He was also called upon to rebuild different pieces of furniture, make drawers and drawer fronts that were irreparable and do other repair jobs. Pete enjoyed most of the work

except stripping. Hand sand papering was too slow, electric sanders soon wore out and all in all stripping just wasn't his cup of tea. Soon he began to shop around for a more up-to-date method of getting this job done.

After re-modeling a garage building across the street from the Davies home, three huge tanks were installed along with a drying rack, air gun for drying and a few other odds and ends necessary for a modern stripping plant.

Late last summer the couple decided to go into the refinishing and upholstery business on a broader scale and Ruby's Refinishing and Upholstery was the result of this decision.

One room of the Davies home is equipped with machines and gadgets

necessary for the upholstery business. The newest piece of equipment is a heavy duty sewing machine with a walking presser foot.

Many of the gadgets, which make the job easier for Ruby, were designed and built by Pete. He also does the button making, which is done by a hand operated machine.

The couple devotes most of their time to the operation of their business. They have three children and seven grandchildren.

One daughter, Carolyn Brown Weston, lives in Kermit, Texas. She has one son and one daughter. Wayne Davies lives in Clovis. He has one son. Jackie Davies Wheeler also lives in Clovis. She has one girl and three boys.

The bright spot of the holiday

season--or any other season--for these two is the arrival of grandchildren for a visit. They're constantly on the look out for something for the children and grandchildren when they're attending antique sales, garage sales or viewing anything interesting, they keep in mind the likes of each member of their family.

--By June Floyd

Santa Letters

Dear Santa,
May I have a Perfection game?
And may I have a Pretty pony and more clothes. Santa, would you bring my baby brother some clothes and my other brother The Dukes of Hazzard Racers?

Love, Mona Lisa Martinez

Santa Letters

Dear Santa,
I want an Atari and I want a new bicycle with mag wheels and pads on it and I want a rubets cube and a stereo and a waterbed.

Love, Chris Caldwell

Dear Santa,
Are you and Rudolph ready to come to Bovina? I'm sure ready for you to come. I've tried to be a good boy this year. Please bring me a Castle Grayskull and He-man. Thank you for the nice things you brought me last year. Don't forget the snack we'll have for you and the reindeer on the hearth.

I love you,
Lance McClaran

Dear Santa,
How are you I am fine. How is Mrs. Claus. Thank you for the things you gave me last year. This year I want a Atari, telephone and a speak and spell. And please bring my sister Yvonne a Barbie and bring my brother Manuel a Dallas Cowboy rope. And how is Rudolph and the other reindeers.

Love Cindy Quintana

Dear Santa,
I enjoyed the things you brought me last year. I want a great big bear, a E.T., Atari, and a E.T. ball. Mom and dad have all ready put some presents under the tree.

Love, JoLinda Hodnett



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Twyla Hutto Shares Her Holiday Recipes

Holiday festivities for the Terry Lusk family usually begin with a family get together at the home of Terry's parents, Mr. and Mrs.

Rolland Lusk, who live in Bovina. Terry grew up in Colorado and graduated from Swink High School at Swink, Colorado before moving to

Parmer County with his parents. He and Twyla Hutto, a graduate of Bovina High School, and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Ray

Hutto, who are currently living in Clovis, were married in September of 1974.

The first few years they were married Terry worked as a produce broker for Griffin and Brand at Hereford. The couple lived in Bovina, Southern California and the Rio Grande Valley during this time.

Later Lusk opened an office in Bovina and is an independent produce broker. Twyla is the bookkeeper for Agri-Sprayers.

The Lusks and their children, Jason, 7; Justin, 3½ and Jessica, 1½, attend First Baptist Church here. Twyla is also active in the Bovina Chamber of Commerce and Young Homemakers.

Santa Claus traditionally visits the Lusk home Christmas Eve night and the family has a leisurely breakfast after the gifts are opened Christmas morning.

Later they go to the home of Twyla's parents for lunch and an afternoon and evening of visiting with other members of her family.

This year's group will probably include all three of her sisters and her brother.

Roxanne McLean of Amarillo, Beth Waddell, who lives in Colorado, Nancy Rundell of Clovis and Tammy Wilhite of Dimmitt and Buddy Hutto of Levelland all plan to be there with their families.

Twyla has donated some of her holiday recipes to us. She says, "The microwave caramel corn is very simple to make and good for company to snack on."

Microwave Caramel Corn
 ½ cup butter
 ¼ cup corn syrup
 1 cup brown sugar
 ½ teaspoon salt
 ½ teaspoon soda
 4 to 6 quarts popped corn
 Combine butter, syrup, sugar and salt in an 8-cup glass measuring cup or a 3 quart mixing bowl. Bring to a boil and then cook 2½ minutes. Stir in baking soda. Pour over popped corn in a large grocery bag that has



READY FOR SANTA.... Twyla Lusk stands beside the family's pretty Christmas tree, as all is in readiness for Santa's annual visit. Twyla shares her favorite holiday recipes with Blade readers.

been sprayed with a pan coating. Stir lightly to combine. Put the bag in the microwave and cook 2½ minutes, stirring after 1 minute. Remove from microwave and spread out on a cookie sheet to cool. Break apart.

Note: The popcorn can be cooked in a plastic popcorn popper in the microwave. SPS does not recommend popping the corn in a paper bag because of the possibility of fire.

Shrimp Salad
 1 large pkg. cream cheese
 1 pkg. Knox gelatin
 3 tablespoons hot water
 1 can cream of mushroom soup
 ½ lb. shrimp (frozen or can)
 6 green onions
 Dissolve gelatin in water. Heat soup and add gelatin. Add cream cheese, shrimp and onions. (Be sure to chop onions and shrimp). Pour

into dish and refrigerate for at least one hour before serving. (Very good for get togethers.) Serve with club crackers or snack crackers.

Peanut Patties
 2½ cups sugar
 2/3 cup light Karo
 1 cup half and half
 2½ cups raw peanuts
 Red food coloring

Cook all above ingredients until temperature reaches 235 degrees, stirring constantly so peanuts won't burn.

ADD:
 2 tablespoons butter or margarine
 1 teaspoon vanilla
 Beat until it starts to set and is glazed. Drop onto waxed paper with spoon.

--By June Floyd

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Whitten....

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convention in Kansas City. His specialty is livestock and the many trophies and ribbons displayed in the den of the family home are testimony of his success in grooming and showing sheep and cattle.

Bret also builds model airplanes and boats, which he enters in contests.

For the past few years Norma has let other interests crowd out her China painting, but is making plans to take up where she left off and also to enroll in some oil painting classes this fall.

She says, "With Bret in college, I will have more time for hobbies and plan to do some catching up."

The family attends Bovina Methodist Church and is active in many community projects.

--By June Floyd



HOLIDAY TIME....Norma Whitten, one of Bovina's most talented persons, sits in front of a painting done by her great aunt, Mary Locke, of the Grand Canyon. Norma is artistic in her own right, with such things as China painting.

O.L. Church Party Held

Last Sunday evening the Oklahoma Lane United Methodist Church had their annual Christmas program. The program was brought in the form of a slide presentation by Nelle Craig of Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church in Farwell and featured recorded music of Hamlin's choir.

Scenes showing the children of the Oklahoma Lane United Methodist Church in various activities were among the slides shown. The unique presentation involved the use of three slide projectors with various outdoor and nature scenes to tell the story of

"Creation." All that attended enjoyed this special program.

Following the slide presentation the annual Christmas tree was held, with gifts being given by the children for their classrooms in Sunday School with the adults giving gifts for the church kitchen.

Prior to the program those attending enjoyed various kinds of sandwiches and desserts in the church Fellowship Hall.

Sherry and Richard Montgomery were in charge of the evening's festivities.

Rites Held Tuesday For Mrs. P. Nance

Funeral services for Mrs. Patsy Nance, 48, were conducted Tuesday morning at Bovina Church of Christ. Cecil Bunch of Clovis and Arthur Judd, local minister, officiated. Burial was in Rest Haven Cemetery

Bridal Fete Set Dec. 30th

There will be a wedding shower for Marissa Barron, bride elect of Paul Chapel, at the Community Room of First State Bank, Thursday, December 30, from 2-3:30.

Hostesses for the shower are Obrieta Sudderth, Sue Fowler, Carlene Jones, Ola Lee Jones, Juanita Hastings, Pauline Caldwell, Janie Beauchamp, Norma Whitten, Janie Sudderth, and Arlene McCullough.

of Lubbock, under the direction of Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home.

Mrs. Nance died at Clovis High Plains Hospital early Sunday morning after being taken there by Bovina Ambulance Service.

Born in Vernon, she married Dwain Nance in Idalou January 29, 1954. She had been a Bovina resident since 1959.

She had served as tax assessor for the Bovina Independent School District for a number of years, and later served as chief appraiser for Parmer County.

Survivors include her husband, Dwain; a son, Michael of the home; a daughter, Pamela of Caldwell; her mother, Mrs. Clara Burlesmith of Idalou; three sisters, Margaret Burlesmith of Vernon, Mrs. Meyrul Templin of Reno, Nevada and Mrs. Faye Parish of Baton Route,



PATSY NANCE

Louisiana.

Also surviving are seven brothers, D.S. Burlesmith of Tulia, E.B. Burlesmith of Levelland, M.T. Burlesmith of Hereford, Robert Burlesmith of Reno, Ernest Burlesmith of Midland, Dean Burlesmith of Odessa and J.H. Burlesmith of Petersburg.

Pallbearers were Preston Martin, Johnny St. Clair, Thomas Rhodes, Jon Lynn Riddle, William Gromowsky and Gene Lowe.

There Will Be A Bridal Shower Honoring Marissa Barron, Bride-Elect of Paul Chapel From 2-3:30 P.M. Thursday, December 30 Community Room First State Bank, Bovina

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40TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY....Mr. and Mrs. Alfred (Jack) Stanberry of Bovina will be celebrating their 40th wedding anniversary this week, December 23. The Stanberrys have resided in Bovina for 31 years. Children and grandchildren will share in a special celebration of this event. Happy Anniversary!

Blood Drive Slated Here

Workers from Amarillo's Coffee Memorial Blood Center will be at First Methodist Church Fellowship Hall on January 5 from 4 until 7 p.m. Everyone in the Bovina area is urged to come and donate blood at that time.

Donors guarantee members of their immediate families free blood for a period of one year following their donation. In addition, if more than one member of a family makes a donation, the blood may be credited to the community so that when others in our community need blood, it can be used free from this blood pool built up by Bovina citizens.

Several members of our community have needed blood in the past year. Perhaps you know

Blade To Skip Dec. 30 Issue

The Bovina Blade, which is publishing a larger than usual holiday issue this week, will not publish next Wednesday, December 29.

The Blade office will be closed until January 3, so that staff members may be with their families for Christmas.

The next issue of the paper will be out January 5, 1983.

someone who would have died without a blood transfusion. Blood donors, just like you, made these transfusions possible. What better gift can you give this Christmas season than the potential gift of life you give when you give blood?

Ted Kings Have Girl

Mr. and Mrs. Ted King of Bovina are the parents of a baby girl born Tuesday, December 7, at 9:30 a.m. in Clovis High Plains Hospital, Clovis, New Mexico.

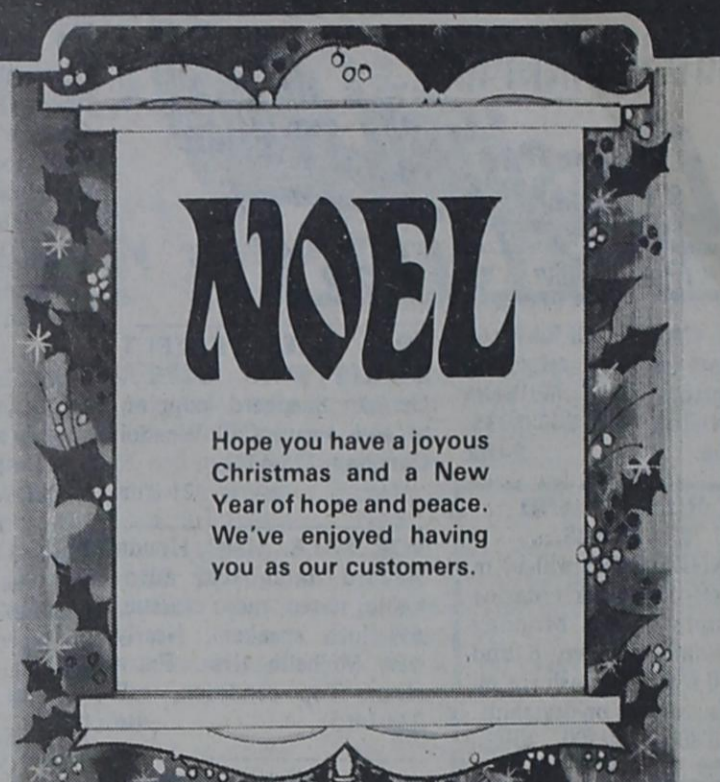
Named Jessica Lynn, the new arrival weighed six pounds, nine and one-half ounces and was 19 1/4 inches long at birth.

Jessica has one older sister, Jenny, two years old.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. D.T. King and Homer Lindeman, all of Friona, and Mr. and Mrs. C.E. Trimble of Bovina.

Great-grandparents are Mrs. Clara Prosser of Friona, Mrs. Jewell Lindeman of Lubbock, Mrs. Madalene Gay of Grapevine and Mrs. Clarice King of Plainview.

Mrs. Sadie Wells of Grapevine is the child's great-great-grandmother.



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Training Union-6 p.m.
Evening Worship-7 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer Meeting-7:30 p.m.



Rev. J.L. Bass

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Sunday School-10:30 a.m. Texas Time;
Morning Worship-11:30 a.m. Texas Time;
Church Training-7 p.m. Texas Time
Evening Worship-8 p.m. Texas Time;
Wednesday Night Meeting-8 p.m.



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Morning Worship-11 a.m.
Evening Worship-6 p.m.
Wed. Night Bible Study-6 p.m.



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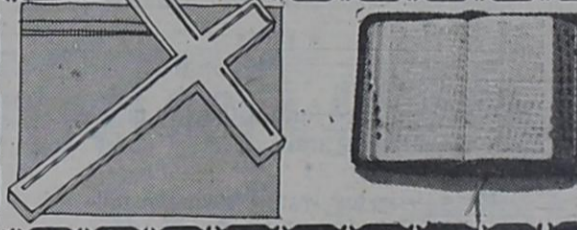


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Love, Luke Steelman *****

Dear Santa,
How are you. I am fine. Thank you for the things that you gave me last year. And I want a Lego Main Street. And a Coleco Vision or an Atari. And we will be at home.
Love Darren Hromas *****

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you? I am fine. I like what you gave me last year. Please give me a colored vision intellivaize and a three wheeler.
Love, John Verner *****



CHARTER MEMBERS.... Those honored for having been in Bovina Lions Club for thirty years are Bedford Caldwell, Gene Ezell, Wendol Christian, Harry J. Charles and Pat Kunselman.



HONORED....Members of the Bovina Lions Club for twenty-five years are Jim Russell, Tom Bonds, Vernon Estes, Woodrow Wright and Jay Sherrill.

"Ladies' Night" Held At Clovis Holiday Inn

About fifty people attended "Ladies' Night" at a dinner in the Clovis Holiday Inn last Thursday evening, December 16. This is an annual event and was sponsored by the Bovina Lions Club.

and presented with pins. They were Jim Russell, Tom Bonds, Vernon Estes, Woodrow Wright and Jay Sherrill.

Special guests were District Governor Ed Thames of Amarillo and Zone Chairman Wendell Gresham of Friona.

Governor Thames spoke to the group about the meaning of Lions and told of the great work and accomplishments of the Lions Clubs throughout the world.

Following the dinner and entertainment by a local choir, the men sipped Christmas candy to be given away the next day by Santa Claus when he visited in Bovina.

Charter members were recognized and presented with thirty year pins. They were Bedford Caldwell, Gene Ezell, Wendol Christian, Harry J. Charles and Pat Kunselman. Men who had been members for twenty-five years were also honored

Santa Letters

Dear Santa,
How are you? I am fine. How are your elves and the reindeers. My birthday is December 23, 1982. When is your birthday? Will you bring me a telephone, tape recorder and a stuffed bear please?
I love you, Sunshine Stone *****

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Aerobics--Mondays-Wednesdays-Fridays, 10:00-11:00; 5:00-6:00; 6:30-7:30, \$22 for members, \$30 for non-members. (Five Weeks)

Gymnastics--Tuesdays-Thursdays, 4:00-5:00; 5:00-6:00; 6:00-7:00, \$18 for members, \$27 for non-members.

Ballet--Mondays, 4:00-5:00, \$20 for members, \$30 for non-members.

Twirling--Wednesdays, 3:45-5:00, \$12 for members, \$18 for non-members.

Tiny Tots Gymnastics--Tuesdays-Thursdays, 10:00-11:00, \$13 for members, \$20 for non-members.

Sr. Citizen Stretch--Tuesdays-Thursdays, 9:00-10:00, free for members, \$3 each time for non-members.

Men's Nights--Mondays-Fridays, 8:30-10:00, free for members, \$3 each time for non-members.

Ms. Fits--At your convenience when there is no class scheduled, free for members, \$3 each time for non-members.

Ladies Self Defense--Saturdays, 10:30-12:00, \$60 for members, \$75 for non-members.

ALL CLASSES BEGIN THE FIRST WEEK OF JANUARY, 1983, ALL PRICES LISTED ARE FOR A ONE MONTH EXCEPT AEROBICS.

The Body Connection hours will be from 9:00 a.m. to 12 a.m., beginning January 3, 1983. We will be closed from 12:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. We will open at 3:00 p.m. and remain open to the last scheduled class each day. On Saturdays we will be open from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., and during the time of the Ladies Self Defense course.

If there are other times you would like for us to be open, please let us know.

THE TIME IS NOW FOR JANUARY SIGN UP! 1tc

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441 A. 4 wells, nice brick home, corn dryer and elevator, steel barn and corrals. *****

460 A. 3 wells, priced to sell, good terms. *****

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466 Acres irrigated, 4 miles east of Bovina on Highway. Lays nearly perfect. *****

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SEASON'S GREETINGS FROM: Mustang Drive Inn

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Doyle Moore, Amarillo District Manager.

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Maurice Johnson, Senior Engineer, System Planning, Amarillo.

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Clyde Blalocks Collect, Refinish Antique Furniture



IT'S CHRISTMAS TIME IN BOVINA.... This jolly snow man is ready to sweep away the gloom at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Blalock, 201 Eighth Street. Mrs. Blalock collects antique pieces, such as the marble topped washstand on which she has arranged the snow man and two candles surrounded by greenery.

Helen Langer Blalock and her husband, Clyde, agree that Bovina is the best place in the world to live. From 1942 until 1962 these two lived in many places in the United States and also in Germany.

Clyde, a career man in the United States Armed Forces, also spent some years in Korea during that time. Then, when he retired in 1962, he, Helen and their small daughter, Ute, they had adopted in Germany, returned to Bovina to make their home.

Ute is a graduate of Bovina High School. At the present time she and her husband, Larry Ross, live in Floydada, Texas.

Helen moved to Bovina in 1919. She remembers the trip she and her mother, the late Mrs. Joe Langer Sr. and a brother, Fred, made from Minnesota to Texas on a train.

Her father, the late Joe Langer, Sr., had made the trip down earlier. Two children, Marie and Joe, Jr. were born after the family moved to Bovina.

As Helen was growing up, she assisted her mother with the housework, as well as many projects she undertook. She learned woodworking, hand working and a number of other skills from her mother's example.

Following her graduation from Bovina High School in 1937, she and Clyde were married and lived here a few years before he enlisted in the Army during World War II.

Some of the places the couple lived include Pennsylvania, Fort Houston, El Paso, Washington, D.C. and several places in Germany.

Helen says, "I learned a lot of things during those years and one of them was that Bovina was the finest place in the world for anyone to live."

She can't remember when she didn't enjoy re-doing furniture and making things. She also enjoys cooking and spending time with her nieces and nephews and their children.

Besides collecting and refinishing antique furniture and making things, Helen enjoys fishing with her husband. In the summer they spend a lot of time at their Ute Lake summer home near Logan, New Mexico.

As a young person she enjoyed a form of entertainment you rarely ever hear mentioned today. Candy pulls were a very important social event for a number of years.

Helen's favorite recipe for a candy pull is Old Fashioned Syrup Candy.

Cook one and one-half cups New Orleans molasses, ¾ cup sugar, 2 tablespoons butter, and one teaspoon vinegar very slowly stirring constantly until a small amount dropped in cold water forms a hard ball.

Remove from heat and add 1

teaspoon vanilla extract. Blend well then pour into greased pans until cool. When mixture is cool enough to handle, pull until light in color. Place pulled candy on buttered platter until it hardens then break into pieces.

Candy pulls were also sometimes called "taffy pullings," or "candy breakings."

Another of Helen's favorite recipes was given to her by the late Lady Gaines of Bovina and she has used and treasured it many years.

Butterscotch Whirls

- 1 cup butter
- 2 cups sugar
- 2 eggs
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 3 ½ cups flour
- 1 teaspoon soda
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice

Cream butter and sugar thoroughly. Add eggs, one at a time and beat well after each addition. Add lemon juice and vanilla. Sift all dry ingredients together and add to first

mixture. Mix until well blended.

Roll dough to one half inch thickness and spread with date filling. Put 1 ½ cups dates, ½ cup sugar, ½ cup boiling water and 1 cup broken nuts in heavy sauce pan. Bring to a boil and mix until mixture is creamy.

Shape into rolls. Chill. Slice and bake. These freeze very well.

Another specialty from Helen's kitchen is Fruit Cake.

Fruit Cake

Mix one pound coconut, ½ pound candied cherries, ½ pound candied

pineapple, 12 ounces dates and 2 cups pecans well. After fruit is well mixed, add two cans Eagle Brand Milk.

Pack mixture tightly into containers which have lids. Cover and bake one hour at 350 degrees. Uncover and bake until cakes are golden brown. Baking dishes should be lined with two layers of lightweight aluminum foil.

Peel foil off cakes as soon as they are removed from the oven.

May be garnished with candied fruit if desired.

--By June Floyd

Santa Letters

Dear Santa,
How are you? I want a three-wheeler, 4x4-wheel drive, and big seeme-tv.

Love, Angel Espinoza

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you? I am fine. How is Rudolph and Blitzen? I want a Barbie and play car and a bunch of balloons.

Love, Cathy King

Dear Santa,
How are you? I am fine. I want a truck and an Atari. Merry Christmas, Mrs. Claus.

Love, Jerry Reyna

Dear Santa,
How are you? I am fine. Please bring me a new doll, Atari and radio with earphones. How is Mrs. Clause and the elves and deer?

Love, Linette Miller

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Christmas, with all its joys and happiness, is here again, bringing the spirit of peace and contentment into the lives of those about us. At no other time of the year do we find the feeling of good will and good fellowship as much in evidence as during this glad occasion.

May we take advantage of the occasion to express our own sentiments and to wish you the compliments of the season. Our thoughts are with our friends and we are hoping for them a grand Christmas and we want this to be the merriest of Christmas greetings.

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Newsmakers For 1982 Are Given

Residents Help Make '82 News

A variety of events went to make up the top news events for the Bovina area for the calendar year 1982. As usual, residents of the area and of Parmer County were the main newsmakers.

A sampling of headlines contained in the 1982 Bovina Blade editions yielded the following highlights of the year locally:

JANUARY

December 30 was a special day for the Senior Citizens, as they were finally able to watch as officers and noteholders burned the remaining debts of the note on the Senior Citizens building. In addition to celebrating the note-burning the group also elected new officers: Bessie Trimble, president; Reagan Looney, vice president; Frances King, secretary-treasurer; Ola Epperly, reinstated as reporter and Minnie Kelso, named as director.

Funeral services were held for Merle Ross McPherson, a security guard at Barrett-Crofoot Feed Yard, who suffered fatal injuries in a two vehicle accident between Bovina and Friona.

A total of \$1,121.68 was the final tabulation in the Project Christmas Card drive, whose proceeds will go to benefit the Bovina Clinic.

Ricky Shepherd, Bovina's phenomenal wide receiver, recently was named to the Texas All State football team, as a member of the first team. Ricky is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Shepherd.

Porter Roberts announced that he was seeking re-election as County Judge of Parmer County. By the end of the year, he will have served as County Judge of Parmer County three years.

It has been announced that the Amarillo Panhandle Hall of Fame has named Hereford's coach Don Cumpton as "Coach of the Year" in football when selections were made in the Amarillo College Ordway Auditorium. Don is the son of Bobby Cumpton and the late Allen Cumpton.

Jack Young has announced his candidacy as District Judge for the 287th Judicial District of Texas, which is composed of Bailey and Parmer Counties.

Bonnie Warren is announcing her candidacy for re-election as Parmer County Clerk.

The Bovina ISD school board met in their monthly session and voted to rehire Bob Owen as school superintendent.

Marjorie Watkins has authorized the Bovina Blade to announce her candidacy for election as Parmer County District Clerk.

FEBRUARY

Two men, Joe Jones and Garry Beauchamp, have filed for two positions which will be opening after the expiration terms of Mayor R.R. Lusk, Aldermen B.J. Charles, Dean Hastings and Dale Gober.



NEW STREET SWEEPER....Bovina will no longer have dirt and debris in its gutters, as the City began using their new Elgin street sweeper during the month of June. Shown is Andy Garza, as he prepares to clean up the south gutter on North Street.

It was also announced that Billy J. Charles, incumbent alderman, had filed for re-election.

Southwestern Public Service Company announced it will request a 12.7 per cent increase in the retail price of electricity in Texas.

Post Office officials were delighted with their newest addition--200 new key locked, closed front boxes, making a total of 800 boxes at the local Post Office.

Charlie Trimble took Reserve Grand Champion honors with his jumbo Maine-Anjou crossbreed at the County Livestock Show. Bret Whitten's Suffolk was named Parmer County's Grand Champion Lamb in the Junior Livestock Show.

In a regular monthly meeting of the school board, Les McCain was appointed as the school board election judge and Pat Read was appointed as absentee judge. Kenneth Gauntt was rehired as principal, Paul Topliff, head coach/athletic director and both men given extensions of two year contracts.

Ricky Shepherd and Connie Shelby, both seniors at Bovina High School, were chosen as 1982 Basketball King and Queen.

David Boozer was among the youngsters who won with his exhibits. His Hampshire breed champion won honors at the Parmer County Junior Livestock Show and at Bovina's local show.

Mark Teague's Chester White barrow was named champion of its breed at the Parmer County Junior Livestock Show. Teague's entry also won the medium weight class and later competed for the Grand Champion.

MARCH

Farmers have received less in income this year than they have at any time since 1934, it was decided at a vital AG meeting.

Chamber honors top citizens, Don Spring, as Man of the Year, and Ola Lee Jones was selected as Woman of the Year, at their annual banquet at the High School cafeteria March 18.

Mrs. Estes, Bovina Medical Center Board's secretary, reported that the arrangement with the Friona doctors who serve the Bovina Clinic is very satisfactory and that the clinic is doing well financially.

Bovina Ambulance Service took another giant step toward better emergency care for people of the area when Don Spring was approved as paramedic student for this coming term.

It was reported that one of Bovina's water wells 'bit the dust' and the likelihood of water rationing for the summer looms ominously over Bovina.

Booster Club's new elected officers for the year are: Wayne McClaran, president; Mac Glasscock, vice president; and Sandra Clayton, secretary-treasurer.



TOP HONORS....Don Spring and Ola Lee Jones were honored at the annual Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture Banquet as Bovina's Man and Woman of the Year. Spring and Mrs. Jones were cited for their many civic activities.

Sixty-eight per cent of the registered voters came to the polls and were responsible for the Water Bond Improvement issue passing with a resounding win, 266 voting for the issue and 22 voting against.

APRIL

Bud Venable, son of Kay and Radford, took fourth place in the high jump, long jump and 50 yard dash in the State Baptist track meet which was held in Waco.

Funeral services were held for long time resident, Euell Hart, who passed away during heart surgery. He is survived by his wife, Maxine.

A fashion show, sponsored by the Bovina Woman's Club and Kirkpatrick's, was well attended and featured many local models.

Members of the mile relay team, Rande Cupit, Stacy Whitecotton, Sonya Mayfield and Gail Turner, represented Bovina High School at the UIL Regional track competition in Odessa, placing third with a time of 4:23.6.

Chief John Detten announced Thursday that he has tendered his resignation to the Board of City Aldermen, to become effective April 30.

Doug Roming, sophomore, has been named parliamentarian of the Texas A&M University chapter of the Future Farmers of America.

Head coach and athletic director Paul Topliff resigned this week and will assume the same duties at the Lubbock Cooper High School as of May 1.

Don Cumpton, former Bovina football star, will be the featured speaker at the Bovina Athletic Banquet set for May 14.

Bovina Supermarket celebrated their tenth anniversary.

MAY

Tim Grissom and Dale Gilbreath will be advancing to the Regional UIL track meet in Odessa this weekend.

The pickup which was stolen from the Bovina Restaurant in recent days was recovered in Santa Rosa, New Mexico and belonged to Robert Read.

Tommy Williams wins the primary in one of the closest commissioner's elections seen in the local precinct's history.

It has been announced that Jeanna, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Dick Richards, is the class valedictorian of 1982 with a grade average of 94.3. Salutatorian Mark Teague, son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Teague, holds a grade average of 93.1.

Ron Avirett, 29, formerly of Dimmitt, was named as the new City Marshall.

Valedictorian for the eighth grade class is Blake Scaff, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Scaff. He had an average of 93.13. Irma Garcia, with a grade average of 91.14, is eighth grade salutatorian.

Heavy hail and high winds contributed major crop damage this week, also playing havoc with trees, homes and yards in the area around Bovina.

Bill Osben has been named new manager of the Bovina Wheat

Growers. Osben replaced Gene Hutto.

The 1982 graduating class of Bovina High School consisted of 31 members.

Southwestern Public Service Company announced it would accept a nine per cent rate increase recommended by the steering committee which represents 66 communities served by the electric utility.

JUNE

The City of Bovina has begun using their newly purchased Elgin street sweeper, and hopefully Bovina will have clean gutters from now on.

Robert Wilson was responsible for the first load of wheat this season, testing 16.5 and a test weight of 59 pounds.

Several winners were recognized in the Little Buckaroo Rodeo which was held recently in Bovina.

Heidi Corn is West Texas State University Nursing graduate. She is the daughter of Charles and Anne Corn.

Larry Helton is the new head football coach. He is 34 years old and formerly of Big Springs.

Violent storms took their toll last week in Bovina causing wheat harvest to be very slow in getting started.

The Oklahoma Lane area was battered by hail and the loss toll was again very high in some areas.

Mark Lanham, formerly of Vega, will take over the reins of the Bovina Mustang basketball team next year, it was announced this week.

It was reported this week that Reagan Looney came through heart surgery in excellent condition.

Renee Russell and Rocky Bartlett exchanged wedding vows in a ceremony at the First Baptist Church.

Rev. R. Joel Ware is the new pastor at the Oklahoma Lane Methodist Church. He is formerly of Fort Sumner, New Mexico.

Congressman Kent Hance has scheduled a Town Hall Meeting for Monday, July 5 at Friona State Bank and residents of the area are urged to attend.

Scott Sudderth, ten-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Glendon Sudderth, was named top boy camper at the Clovis Recreational Basketball Camp, held in mid-June.

Emma Williams, manager of the Allsup's store at 100 Third Street, received her diploma for successfully completing the Allsup's Store Manager Training Course.

A large number of cattle were drowned at Bovina Feeders during a flash flood the night of June 10.

JULY

Two drug arrests were made in Bovina during the first week in July.

Rev. Dick and Joanie Horn, Bovina natives who have been living



in Japan for the past nine years, were in Bovina on a study furlough.

The Bovina Blood Drive was termed successful as 31 pints of blood were given. This was more than the United Blood Services of Lubbock had hoped to obtain in Bovina.

AUGUST

It was reported this week that Gaylon Rhodes has purchased Ralph's Funk Seeds from Ralph Roving. The transaction was effective August 1.

MBPXL Corp., the beef processing subsidiary of Cargill, Inc., today changed its name to Excel Corporation.

Awarding of contracts for a used truck-tractor, and a new tractor with front-end loader and backhoe were the principle items of business for the Parmer County Commissioner's Court this past week.

A tug-o-war will be held Saturday as a highlight of Bull Town Days.

The Spudnut Shop was broken into last Sunday and Monday night. Money and candy were taken by pranksters who committed the crime.

Many people enjoyed Bovina's 19th annual Bull Town Days celebration.

Roy Shelby, 22, was hospitalized with stab wounds and a 21 year old Bovina man is in custody.

First-day enrollment at Bovina Schools stood at 434 at the end of the week.

SEPTEMBER

Mr. and Mrs. John T. Gee closed Gee's Cleaners this week, and are moving to Snyder. The Gees had operated the local dry cleaning establishment since January, 1968.

A.W. Anthony, president of the board of directors for Deaf Smith Rural Electric Cooperative, this week issued a statement that rates for patrons of the REC would increase by 40 per cent effective November 1.

Wade English was hospitalized and died a few hours later in the Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

Darlene Miller won Bovina's first football contest with a guess of 13 out of 14 possible games. She was the only one of the 140 who entered the contest to have a score of 13.

The Mustangs lost their first football game to Happy, 18-13.

Ted Stallings suffered no obvious injuries to him or his plane when the plane's propeller was broken while Ted was spraying a field. Stallings circled the airport several times and safely landed on the grass runway.

A.G. White was named Parade Marshal of the 1982 Maize Days Parade in Friona. A.G. is considered one of Bovina's finest young men of 102 years of age. The theme was "Wild, Wild West" and they figured Mr. White could probably remember what the Wild, Wild West was really like.

OCTOBER

Bret Whitten, Bovina FFA member, exhibited the Grand Champion Heifer at the Parmer County Prospect Steer and Heifer Show in Friona.

A Bovina man, J.D. (Sonny) Roach, was a point-winner in the North American Model Boat Association's season standings. The district in which Roach competes is made up of five states.

Funeral services for Parmer County pioneer C.R. Elliott were held Saturday. He was a pioneer, merchant, and civic leader of the community.

Jim Rhodes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gaylon Rhodes, was recently awarded one of the 16 education scholarships by the animal science department at Texas Tech University.

Bovina's newest business, "The Body Connection," a health and recreational club, will open Monday, November 1.

Tracy Diane Moore, 13, daughter of Chris and Nathan Moore, former Bovina residents, is the "First Freeze Champion" for 1982, having picked the actual first freeze date, October 20.

Pete and Ruby Davies have begun a new business in Bovina and literally turns old things into new, by repairing and restoring furniture.

NOVEMBER

Eugene Griffin was honored for 20 years of service for Southwestern Public Service Company at a dinner at Amarillo's Hilton Inn on October 21.

Arlyn Hartzog was hospitalized after suffering injuries in a two vehicle accident. He was listed in critical condition in the intensive care unit in Lubbock Methodist Hospital.

The Bovina Medical Center Board met Monday, November 1. At this time two new members were elected to the board: Sandra Ware and Tonya Gober.

The United Methodist Ladies held their annual Christmas Bazaar in the First State Bank Community Room November 19 with many items featured.

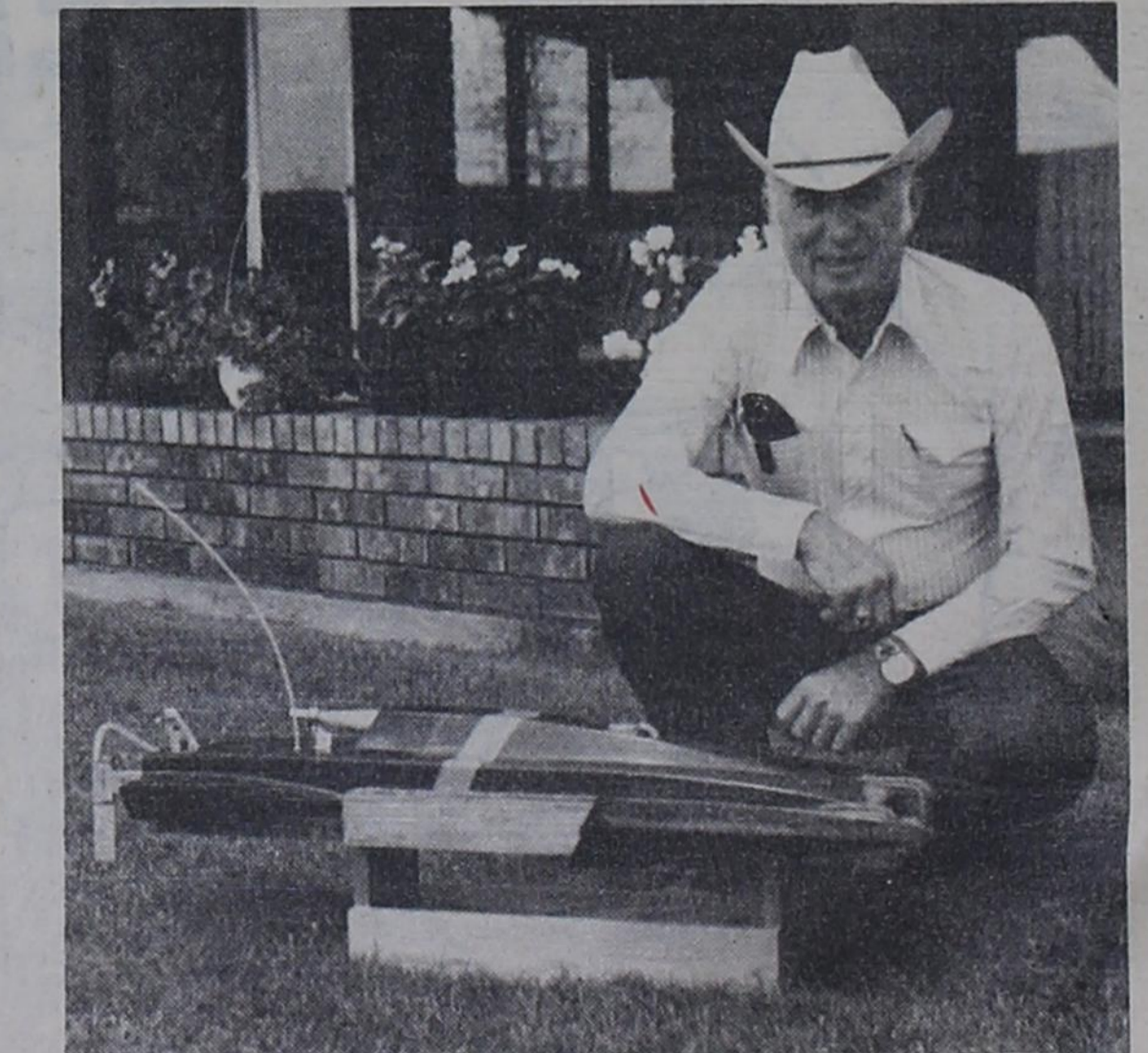
Five Bovina High School students were initiated into National Honor Society. They were Denver Redwine, Tommy Hutto, Misty Boozer, Andy Alexander and Mark Englant.

DECEMBER

Larry Wiseman is the winner of the 1982 Football Contest and received \$100.00 in prize money from the Bovina Blade.

Bovina High School's Mustangs remained undefeated for the season, and in the process brought home the championship trophy from the Sudan tournament early in December.

Mrs. Patsy Nance, 48, died at a Clovis hospital early on December 19. Services were conducted December 21.



POINT WINNER....J.D. (Sonny) Roach is shown with a model boat which he enters in races competing with contestants across a five state area. He was presented a plaque and trophy for placing second in his classification in the North American Model Boat Association contests.

Dale Gobers Use Talents To Complete Joint Projects

The home of Mayor and Mrs. Dale Gober, 1001 Eighth Street, is probably one of the most colorfully decorated houses in town. Most of the decorations on the tree, as well as throughout the house, have been made by Mrs. Gober, the former Tonya Ivy.

Most of the decorations have been done in traditional Christmas colors of red, white and green. The tree skirt, mat in front of the fireplace, wall hanging and stockings are exhibits of Tonya's talent in the art of latch hooking rugs. Visitors are

greeted by "Merry Christmas," which is lettered in the floor mat.

Her skill also shows up in most of the decorations on the tree. She has made toys and angels from old fashioned clothes pins; wreaths from velvet, cotton print and corduroy; wooden letters; felt wreaths and needlepoint decorations.

The Gobers are both long time residents of this area. Dale, who was born in Clovis, New Mexico, is the son of Webb and Irene Gober of the Oklahoma Lane Community. He is a 1965 graduate of Farwell High School and a 1969 graduate of Texas Tech University, Lubbock.

Tonya is a 1965 graduate of Bovina High School and also a 1969 graduate of Texas Tech. Tonya was born in Amarillo and lived in Vega seven years before moving to Bovina with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Ivy, who now live at Vinita, Oklahoma.

All four sets of the couple's grandparents were Parmer County pioneers. The late Mr. and Mrs. J.H. Ivy and Mr. and Mrs. Earlie Crain, Tonya's grandparents, lived in the Lazbuddie Community.

Dale's paternal grandparents, the late Mr. and Mrs. J.I. Gober, lived in the Oklahoma Lane Community, and his maternal grandparents, the late Mr. and Mrs. George Sachs, pioneered in the Rhea Community.

Mr. and Mrs. Gober moved to Bovina about three years ago. Dale has been farming in this area a number of years and they lived on a farm between Bovina and Friona for a few years.

Tonya began her teaching career as a Vocational Homemaking teacher in 1969, a position she held for four years. Then, she was a kindergarten teacher in the Friona school system for six years.

While teaching homemaking, Tonya was constantly looking for new and interesting things for her students to do. Then, as a kindergarten teacher she focused her interest on projects suitable for pre-school age children.

As a full time homemaker, she has combined her talents in both areas and created a large number of interesting decorations for her home. She makes pillows, stuffed dolls complete with clothing, and wall plaques. She also needlepoints, does counted cross stitch and embroiders.

Dale's hobby is old cars. He has done some re-building on a Model A Ford, which he owns and spends a lot of his spare time working on other older models.

He and his wife combine their energies and talents on furniture re-building and re-finishing and have some beautiful antique pieces in their home.

The Gobers attend Bovina's First Baptist Church and Tonya recently directed the Children's Choir in presenting "A Joyfullest Noise," at the church.

Dale has two brothers and one sister. His older brother, Jerald, lives

Santa Letters

Dear Santa,
I wish you would bring me some toys. How are reindeers doing? Santa, I want a Game of Life, a racing track and a bike. Happy a happy New Year!

Your friend, Genaro Ruvalcaba

Dear Santa,
I want for my baby sister to have a doll bike, and a laughing doll. And I want a motorbike and a bike and an Atari.

Love, Rey S. DelaRosa
P.S. Say hi to your reindeers.

Dear Santa,
I would like four Atari cartridges. They are Pac Man, Air Sea Battle, Donkey Kongs and Frogger. I would like an Atari jogging suit and a Nike jogging suit. I would like a T.V. telephone, stereo and ice skates. I would like my brother to have Sfratego and Stop Thief. And I would like my sister to have an E.T. doll.

Love, Christy Scott

in Corpus Christi. Alan, the younger brother, lives in Austin. Kathryn Gober, the only girl in the family, lives in Lubbock.

The other Ivy children are Jeanne Bartley, who lives in Guatemala; Melanie Manley, also a kindergarten teacher, who lives in Vinita, Oklahoma; Charlie Ivy of Albany, Georgia; and Brent Ivy, who lives in Oklahoma City.

Tonya also makes a lot of items for gifts for relatives and friends, not only at Christmas time, but throughout the year. During harvest seasons she assists Dale by driving a truck, running errands and doing other odd jobs.

The mayor and his wife enjoy small town living and especially appreciate their neighbors and friends in Bovina.

--By June Floyd



CHRISTMAS TIME AT THE GOBER HOME....Mayor and Mrs. Dale Gober are pictured sitting on the hearth in front of a colorfully decorated mantel in their home at 1001 Eighth Street. The stockings and most of the other Christmas decorations in the Gober home have been made by Mrs. Gober, the former Tonya Ivy.

NOEL

May the spirit of Christmas bless you and bring you all the joys of the Season.

SPUDNUT SHOP

Season's Greetings

May the heavenly bells of Christmas chime out with good cheer and warm greetings to one and all!

DUDLEY'S
AUTO PARTS

Happy Holidays

Santa's bringing you our warmest wishes for a very Happy Holiday, filled with love and good cheer.

We have enjoyed serving you and look forward to seeing you next year.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

FROM EVERYONE AT:

Happy Holidays

Woelfels Spend Holiday Season In Chicago Area

Ernest and Edna Woelfel, long time residents of the Bovina area, are spending the holiday season with their daughter, son-in-law and two granddaughters in Woodridge, Illinois, which is a suburb of Chicago.

Each year the Woelfels depart for the Windy City area about the middle of November. While they are guests of Woodridge, they stay in the home of Joe, Nickie, Cindy and Karon McMillan.

Nickie, the couple's only daughter, grew up on the family farm north of Bovina and is a graduate of Bovina High School and Texas Tech University, Lubbock.

Joe grew up in the South Central Texas Community of Yorktown and became interested in trains as a very small child.

Following his graduation from high school, he enrolled at Texas Tech and was graduated in 1964 with a Bachelor of Science degree in civil engineering.

Incidentally, he and Nickie met on a train trip as they were on their way to a football game while they were college students.

While attending Texas Tech, Joe developed a special interest in Santa Fe. Following his graduation and marriage, he joined Santa Fe's engineering department in Topeka, Kansas.

After a three year tour of duty with the United States Armed Forces in Europe, he returned to the Santa Fe and served in various engineering and operating positions in Kansas, Iowa and California.

In 1973 he was transferred to the company's Chicago headquarters to become assistant manager of the safety system, his current assignment.

Soon after he, Nickie, Cindy and Karon moved to Woodridge, Joe combined his photography skills, interest in trains in general and the Santa Fe in particular and writing ability and produced his first book, Santa Fe's Diesel Fleet. It was an in depth look at Santa Fe's all-time



JOE McMILLAN

diesel locomotive roster and was published in 1975.

When Ernest and Edna go to Woodridge, Ernest spends a lot of his time checking books, which have been published by McMillan Publications, Inc., which Joe and Nickie operate out of their home.

McMillan Publications, Inc. specializes in publishing high quality railroad books. In 1975 McMillan also co-authored "The 5:10 to Suburbia," a photo book of Chicago's commuter railroads with Bob Olmsted.

"Route of The Warbonnets," which McMillan authored and published, contains pictures made at Black, Lariat, Texico, Clovis and Bovina, as well as other places in Texas, New Mexico and Kansas.

Ernest, who was born near Thorndale in Milam County, Texas, moved to the farm which he and Edna now live on, with his father, the late Nick Woelfel, and other members of his family in 1921 and has lived there since.

Like his father, he has always been a farmer, but hasn't been actively engaged in farming for several years. He and the former Edna Berry,

daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. James A. Berry, also Parmer County pioneers, were married December 23, 1932.

The Woelfels were honored with an early Golden Wedding Anniversary party in September. The McMillans and Mr. and Mrs. William E. Woelfel of Bovina hosted the party.

In addition to the McMillan girls, Cindy and Karon, the couple has two other granddaughters and one great-grandson. Sherry Woelfel Russ of Amarillo has one son, Justin. Melissa Woelfel presently lives in San Diego, California, where she is employed as an airline ticket salesperson.

The Woelfels are proud of all their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. When Ernest was in the Blade office recently he showed the staff a bookmark of which he was extremely proud.

Cindy McMillan, who recently turned ten, has entered a contest sponsored by the Woodridge Public Library two years in a row and has won first place each time.

The Young People's Department sponsors a contest for the most

Santa Letters

Dear Santa,

I want a bike with a basket and a chain lock, some leg warmers, a jogging suit. And a game, too. I want my sister to have lots of toys. I want my mom and dad to have a good time on Christmas Day. I would like to have peace and joy on Christmas Day. Merry Christmas Santa and please bring me all the things I want for Christmas.

Your friend, Michelle Stanberry

Dear Santa,

I want my sister to have a Strawberry Shortcake doll. I want to have a Pac-Man game. I want my mom to have a petty bed but I want my dad to have some tools. What I want most of all is bunk bed.

Love, Gloria Ramirez



HONORED ON ANNIVERSARY....Ernest and Edna Woelfel were honored on their Golden Wedding Anniversary with a reception. Host couples were Mr. and Mrs. Joe McMillan of Woodridge, Illinois, and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Woelfel of Amarillo. The couple is pictured with their daughter, Nickie, and son, Bill.



HAPPY HOLIDAYS

Sincere good wishes to you, our good friends and customers, this very joyous Season!

JONES' TEXACO

Joyous Holidays



It's the happiest time of year, the time when we draw close to those we love. May you enjoy the best of this Holiday Season.

AGRI-SPRAYERS, INC.

Dickie Clayton, Mgr.; Twyla Lusk, Secretary; Joe Jones, Spraying Mgr.;
Radford Venable, Raymond Rocha And Manuel Hernandez, Fertilizer Applicators

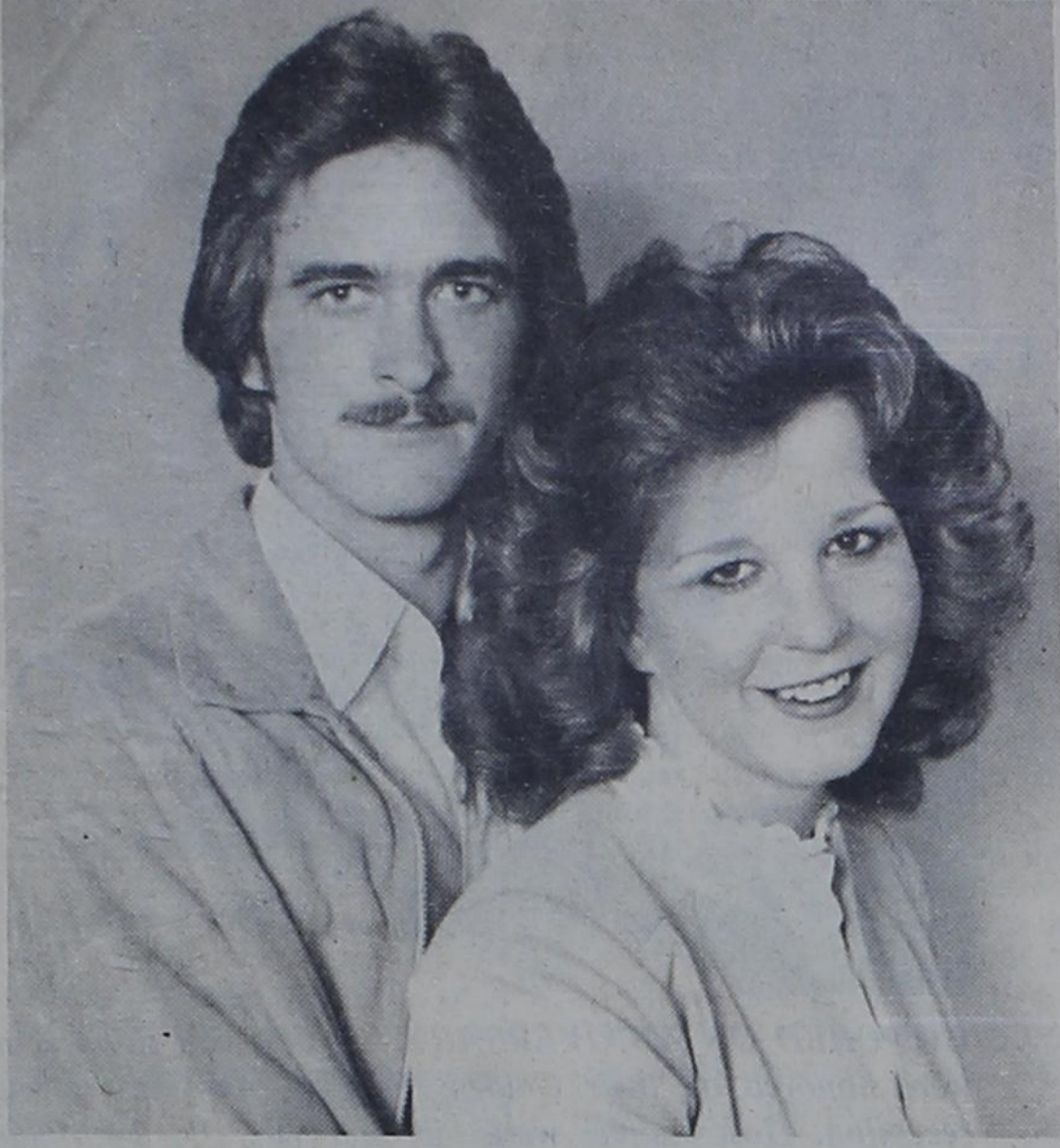


we wish you a Merry Christmas

Let us lift our hearts and voices in joyful song and prayer at this most Holy Season. Greetings from:



WORLEY MILLS INC.



MR. AND MRS. ROCKY BARTLETT....Rocky and Renee Bartlett live on a farm northwest of Bovina. He's a farmer and she's a full time homemaker, who operates a business from their home. She does exclusive weavings and most of them are sold wholesale. Her busiest season is between July and October since most of her creations are sold by gift stores and for Christmas gifts.

Renee Bartlett Is Bearer Of Many Special Talents

When Renee Bartlett moved to the Bovina area in May of 1982, as the bride of Rocky Bartlett, she brought a rare and unusual amount of talent to the farm community in which she lives.

This young artist specializes in the field of off loom weaving and in the past few years has produced literally hundreds of beautiful wall hangings, which are marketed on a wide scale.

The demand for her creations has grown tremendously in a very short time. As a young girl, she became interested in macrame and ceramics and sold some of her work at Old Messilla Park, which is near Anthony, New Mexico, where she grew up.

She is one of three children of Ranny and Elsie Danay of that small Texas-New Mexico border town near El Paso. Following Renee's graduation from Gadsden High School there, she began to think about a self employment project as a career.

She grew up on a farm and with horses. In high school she was a member of the rodeo team and collected a number of trophies in pole bending, barrel racing and goat tying.

When she first began to do wall

hangings, she did them for her home and for gifts for family members and friends. Later she sold a few to friends and acquaintances from time to time and from this humble beginning her business has grown by leaps and bounds.

She uses earth tones in southwest designs and combines acryllis wool, feathers, Indian dance bells, wooden beads, deer and rabbit skins, arrowheads and a few other odds and ends to create her exclusive weavings, which are original in design.

Her first marketing on a wide scale was the orders she received from art shows at El Paso, Ruidoso, Roswell and Clovis.

At the present time her creations are shown in a permanent gift show at The World Trade Center Dallas Market, as well as at the Denver Market.

She doesn't have time for a lot of art shows any more, but did one for the Hospital Wives at Cannon Air Force Base recently. The slow time of year for her is November and December of each year.

Most gift shop buyers make their Christmas purchases in July and Renee's deadlines for filling her orders generally end by the end of October.

Mrs. Bartlett has also done some decorating. She decorated the Cielo Vista Bank and Reddington Investment Corporation offices, both in El Paso, with her creations.

In addition to selling for cash, this enterprising young woman has discovered the old time practice of bartering and sometimes trades her work for goods and services needed by her and her family, which includes a five year old son, Jeb, who is a kindergarten student in Bovina schools.

Not all of Renee's creations are sold in gift stores. Some of them are sold in galleries and furniture stores.

Some are available in Bovina at Kirkpatrick's, as well as at Glasscock's Photography Shop.



HERE'S A SAMPLE....The wall hanging pictured here is one of the many original designs created by Renee Bartlett. She generally chooses earth tones and natural materials for her creations, which are sold from coast to coast.

At the present time, Mrs. Bartlett is a part time employee of United Parcel Service in Clovis. When she isn't busy producing wall hangings, she enjoys being with people.

She explains, "Being self-employed brings me a great deal of satisfaction, but when I have orders to fill, I have to use all the self-discipline I have to keep working until I have finished my

job."

Her brother, who lives in Anthony, New Mexico, is also a self-employed artist. He does hand tooling and produces leather belts, boots, purses, wallets and such like.

Rocky grew up in the Bovina area and is a graduate of Bovina High School and is a farmer.

--By June Floyd

Santa Letters

Dear Santa,
I would like to have game named Frogger for my Atari game or a puppy or another cat or kitten or my dog have her puppies on Christmas Day.
Your friend, Penny Johnson

Dear Santa,
I would like to have the Atari home video game, the Western Barbie Truck and Trailer set with Midnight the black horse and Western Skipper. I would also like a wig for my big walking doll. What I want most of all is a pony.
Your friend, Karen Karvonen

Dear Santa,
I would like a Crayola Caddy for my art that I do at home. And I would also like a computer because last year I worked on one in Mrs. Turner's room. Thank you for all the things you've brought me.
Love, Keri Mitchell

Dear Santa,
I want you to bring me a racing track, a motorcycle, and a bike. How are your reindeer? And how are you? Happy New Year.
Your friend, Adrian Acosta

Dear Santa,
I would like an Atari Video System, a soccer ball, a dodge ball, and a very nice Christmas.
Love, Conrado Sierra

JOY

To our friends and customers, a very "Merry Christmas". It's been a pleasure serving you.

BOVINA DAIRY FREEZE

Merry Christmas to All

FLOYD ENGLANT PLUMBING ENGLANT LAUNDRY

Joyous Holidays

Here's hoping Santa brings you lots of wonderful Holiday goodies. Thank you for your kind patronage in the past.

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Dear Santa,
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Your

Marie Venable Keeps Old Traditions Alive



MARIE BAKES COOKIES, TOO!....When Marie Venable isn't busy in her store, she usually finds something else to do. Photographers arrived just as she was taking a tray of cookies out of the oven Wednesday afternoon. During the Christmas season Marie adds a few colorful decorations here and there just to help her and her customers get in a more festive mood.

Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa,

I would like to have a blue halter for my horse. I would also like to have a Western Barbie Truck and Traiter. I would also like to have Midnight.

Your friend, Belinda Dale

Dear Santa,

I would like a PAC-MAN or Frogger, Donke Kong, or Atari 2500 with a brunch of cariages. I think my little brother would like a baseball and a bat. I think that is all.

Your friend, Luis Ortiz

Elton's and Marie's first home was at 202 North Street, where they have lived for the past thirty-seven years.

The couple's two children, Radford and Margaret, both grew up here and, like their parents, are graduates of Bovina High School.

Radford and his wife, the former Kay Stone, live here. They have three children, Radford Jr., 12; Rusty, 9; and Amy, 2.

Margaret and her husband, Owen Moore, a career man in the United States Air Force, live in West Lebanon, New Hampshire. They have two sons, Neil, 9; and Logan, 4.

At the time of the couple's marriage, Moore was stationed at Cannon Air Force Base, Clovis. Since that time he has been assigned to several different places in the United States and one in England.

The Moore's three year tour of duty in England brought about the Venables' only overseas trip. They flew to New York then to London in 1975. They were met there by the Moores and spent twenty-eight days visiting and sightseeing in England.

Marie said, "We've already been to New Hampshire three times. One time we flew and twice we drove."

Since Elton's retirement, he assists Marie with operation of the store.

She reported, "For a long time I've needed a full time fix-up hand and now I have one."

The couple usually go to the store about 7:30 a.m. and stay until late afternoon. They have a fully equipped kitchen in the store and Marie prepares lunch down there.

Any casual observer who drives through Bovina couldn't miss a sign on the north side of Main Street which reads, "Marie's Used Values."

This sign doesn't even begin to tell passersby how many articles are available inside. There are so many items that listing them would be almost impossible, but any time anyone asks, "Marie do you have _____?" a pleasant woman with a wide smile on her face can go immediately to the spot where the needed item has been stored.

On the other hand, if the item isn't in stock, Marie knows that instantly, too. Marie has been in the used values business about fifteen years. Her first store was on Main Street, but was west of Main.

"We just moved down the street," Marie explains.

Marie's parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. Joe Langer, moved from

Santa Letters

Dear Santa,

I would like to have a pocket knife. I could use some socks not to mention some pants. I would like to have one of those Pac-Man games that you can take along with you. I would also like to get a pet guinea pig too.

Your friend, Tom Thompson

Dear Santa,

I want a bike radio. And my brother wants some guns and weights. My mom and dad want a new car and pickup. My cousins want a new van. And Dana and Brandon want a new motorcycle.

Your friend, Tiffany Dawn Glasscock

Dear Santa,

I wish you bring me a Donkey King game. Also send me an Atari Pac Man game. Merry Christmas!

Your friend, Roland Gonzalez

Minnesota to a farm five miles southeast of Bovina in 1918, with their two children, Fred and Helen. The family came on the same train that brought a box car containing their furniture and belongings in one end and their livestock in another.

Marie, the couple's first native Texan, was born in Hereford. The second Texas born child in the family was Joe, who presently resides in Muleshoe.

Marie grew up here and attended local schools. She was a member of Bovina High School's 1940 graduating class.

On November 21, 1945, she was married to Elton Venable in Hereford.

Elton was the son of another pioneer Bovina family, the late Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Venable. He, too, was a graduate of Bovina High School and had just returned home after a tour of duty in the United States Armed Forces during World War II.

For the past several years the Venables have invited fellow merchants and friends to the store for dinner twice each year near Thanksgiving and Christmas. This year's version of Thanksgiving dinner was somewhat different. They served drinks, chili and beans. Guests provided salads and desserts.

At Christmas time Marie always bakes turkey and makes dressing, which is served with whatever else guests bring.

When the couple first married, they operated a tailor shop near their home. Later they operated a grocery store.

They have always been active in whatever projects the community was working on. Marie has served as an election clerk for the past fifteen years.

Recently Marie overheard a member of Bovina's Volunteer Fire Department remark that coveralls were needed by the firemen.

She immediately went out and enlisted the support of other

merchants in town and was successful in raising the \$800-\$900 needed for purchasing the coveralls.

Marie's Used Values may be the only store in the Texas Panhandle which is heated with a real old fashioned cast iron wood burning heater, which is fueled with wood. A cast iron kettle, which must be 100

years old, is kept sitting on top to provide moisture for the store.

Whether you're interested in buying a horse collar or a tape deck--or anything between, you're likely to find it at Marie's and to be welcomed by a big smile and a good word for Bovina.

--By June Floyd

Blessings to All

Let us share His message of love and understanding during this joyful Christmastime!

BOVINA METHODIST CHURCH

Here's hoping you have the merriest of Holidays and gifts galore!

Best Wishes

BOVINA WHEAT GROWERS

FUEL DIVISION

GOOD TIDINGS

We wish you all good cheer for the Holidays! Thank you for your patronage.

DON'S MEDICINE CHEST



BLESSINGS TO ALL



May this Holy Season inspire us all with renewed love and hope...that we may each enjoy a "Merry Christmas"

PARMER COUNTY SPRAYING SERVICE



HOW ABOUT A POINSETTIA?...Parmer County's early December cold spell called for some re-arranging for Plants Plus and its owners Robert and Sue Fowler. After making a trip to a wholesaler for Christmas plants, there was no warm place to store them except in the Joe Fowler living room. Sue is pictured here with part of them. Some are red, some are white and some are pink.

Fowler Mother-Son Team Operate Greenhouse Locally

Not only at Christmas time, but all during the year, growing plants form backgrounds for decorations in the country home of Joe and Sue Fowler, who live west of town. Growing plants has been a hobby of Sue's for many years, but in the past five years it has also been a business.

Sue, a native of Floyd County, Texas, grew up in the Sand Hill Community. She was the oldest of seven children born to Mr. and Mrs. Gross, who farmed in that community many years. Her father is dead, but her mother lives in Floydada.

Following her graduation from Floydada High School, Sue attended Lippert's Business College in Plainview.

Joe was born in Wichita Falls. His parents both died when he was very

young and he made his home with an uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. E.L. Landtroop. He is a graduate of Abernathy High School.

The couple's first home was on a farm in the Sand Hill Community. Later they moved to Silverton, where they farmed for twelve years before moving to Parmer County in the sixties.

Their daughter, Nancy, is a 1968 graduate of Bovina High School and a 1972 graduate of West Texas State University, Canyon, where she was an elementary education major.

Following her college graduation, she attended an American Airlines training school. Her first assignment as an airline hostess was in New York City. She flew for seven years and has been a full time homemaker for the past three.

She and her husband, Bert Harden, an American Airlines pilot, and daughter, Ashley Elizabeth, live on the West Coast. They spent one week visiting in the Fowler home last month.

The Fowlers also have one son, Robert. He lives on a farm near his parents. He and his dad are both farmers and he and his mother are in partnership in a green house operation.

Robert, a 1970 graduate of Bovina High School and former student of South Plains College, Levelland, spent four years in the United States Navy before returning to Bovina to live. When he was a high school student, his interests were in livestock and one of his daily chores was taking care of and milking the family cow.

Following his return to Parmer County, his interests were directed in the direction of growing crops. Later he decided to convert the cow barn into a green house so he could start growing something all year.

His primary interest was in growing plants and vegetable seedlings, but he and his mother could foresee the need for related items, so were interested in choosing a name for their new business, which would include more

than plants.

Robert came up with the name "Plants Plus," and a visit to the green house would convince any interested person that the business was properly named.

In the spring the Fowlers grow an ample supply of tomato and pepper plants for vegetable gardens, as well as a lot of flower seedlings for flower gardens.

They also grow Easter Lillies, poinsettias and other seasonal plants. Last year they grew some tomatoes for sale, but have discontinued the practice this year.

The Fowlers attend Bovina Methodist Church and Sue did a lot of baking for the November bake sale, which the church sponsored.

Sue especially enjoys working in the green house and has a special knack for arranging flowers, making corsages and related things.

In addition to the hanging plants, pot plants and other growing things, Plants Plus has artificial arrangements and silk flowers.

Sue says, "I had never thought I had flower arranging talent, but decided to try my hand at it and have been delighted with the success I've had."

Many of her artificial arrangements include dried seed pods, weeds and other things which she gathers up and down the roadside or in the mountains or just about anywhere she goes where things grow.

The combined talents of this mother-son duo have resulted in a delightful addition to the businesses of the Bovina area.

One of Sue's hobbies is cookie baking. She bakes them by the dozens for special occasions, or for no special reason. A very special cookie jar, which was given to her by a friend, always sits on her cabinet and is rarely ever empty. Any time it needs to be filled she bakes extra cookies and stores the surplus for future use.

Three of her favorite recipes are Chocolate Chip Cookies, Peanut

Butter Cookies and Mince Cookies. The chocolate chip recipe is one she has adapted to her own liking.

Chocolate Chip Cookies
5 cups unsifted flour
2 teaspoons soda
4 sticks oleo
1 1/2 cups white sugar
1 1/2 cups brown sugar
1 tablespoon vanilla
4 eggs
1 package chocolate chips (12 ounces or 2 cups)
1 1/2 cups chopped walnuts

Preheat oven to 375 degrees Fahrenheit. Combine flour and soda. Set aside. In large mixing bowl combine oleo, sugar and vanilla. Beat until creamy. Beat in eggs. Gradually add flour and soda mixture. Mix well before adding chips and nuts.

Drop by rounded teaspoonfuls onto ungreased cookie sheet. Bake 8-10 minutes. Makes 200 two inch cookies.

Peanut Butter Cookies
1 cup oleo
1 cup peanut butter
1 cup white sugar
1 cup brown sugar
2 eggs

Mix above ingredients real well. Add 3/4 cups flour, 1 teaspoon baking powder, 1 1/2 teaspoons soda and 1 teaspoon vanilla.

Drop by spoonfuls on cookie sheet. Press down with fork. Bake at 375 degrees Fahrenheit.

Mince Cookies isn't one of Joe's favorites, so Sue doesn't use it as often as she does the others.

Mince Cookies
1 1/2 cups oleo
3 cups sugar
6 cups flour
2 teaspoons soda
2 packages mincemeat (crumbled)
2 tablespoons water
2 cups pecans

Beat sugar, oleo and eggs until fluffy. Add flour, soda and water. Mix well. Add crumbled mincemeat and pecans last.

Bake at 375 degrees Fahrenheit.
--By June Floyd

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Crooks Enjoy Grandchildren Visiting During Xmas Holidays

When French and Nellie Crook first moved to Bovina in 1929, they purchased a tract of land, which included the land on which their present home is located at 200 Dimmitt Highway. Their first home

in Bovina was very small and was built about the middle of the present Highway 86.

The original part of their present home, which they have occupied for many years, was made of adobe and

was built by Segundo Brito. Soil for the adobe blocks was taken from their acreage.

The couple's parents were the late Mr. and Mrs. John Crook and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hooper, all pioneer residents of the Woodward, Oklahoma area. Crook was the fourth of six children and Nettie was the fifth of ten.

They grew up in that area and were married May 30, 1927 at Hutchinson, Kansas. They farmed near Woodward two years before moving to Bovina in 1929.

Crook's first employer in Parmer

County was the late Pres Abbott. He later worked for the Texas Highway Department a few years.

For a number of years he did construction work and during the time the family lived at El Paso, Alamogordo, Jayton, San Benito, Albuquerque, Grants, Clarendon, Woodward and a few other places, Bovina was always home base.

The couple's children, Richard, Harold, French Jr., Nellie Bea and Patricia Ann, all graduated from Bovina High School.

Richard was killed in a truck accident in 1948 and Harold was killed in Korea in 1952.

At the present time, French Jr. and his wife, the former Shirley Byrnes of El Paso, live in Grand Prairie, Texas. They have four children, Mike, Pat, Amy and French III, who is called Trey.

Nellie Bea and her husband, Jim Cicotte, live in Hampton, Virginia, and have no children. He is a career man in the United States Air Force and was stationed at Cannon Air Force Base, Clovis, when the couple met.

Like Cicotte, Patricia Ann's husband, Roger Simmons, is a career service man and was formerly assigned to Cannon Air Force Base.

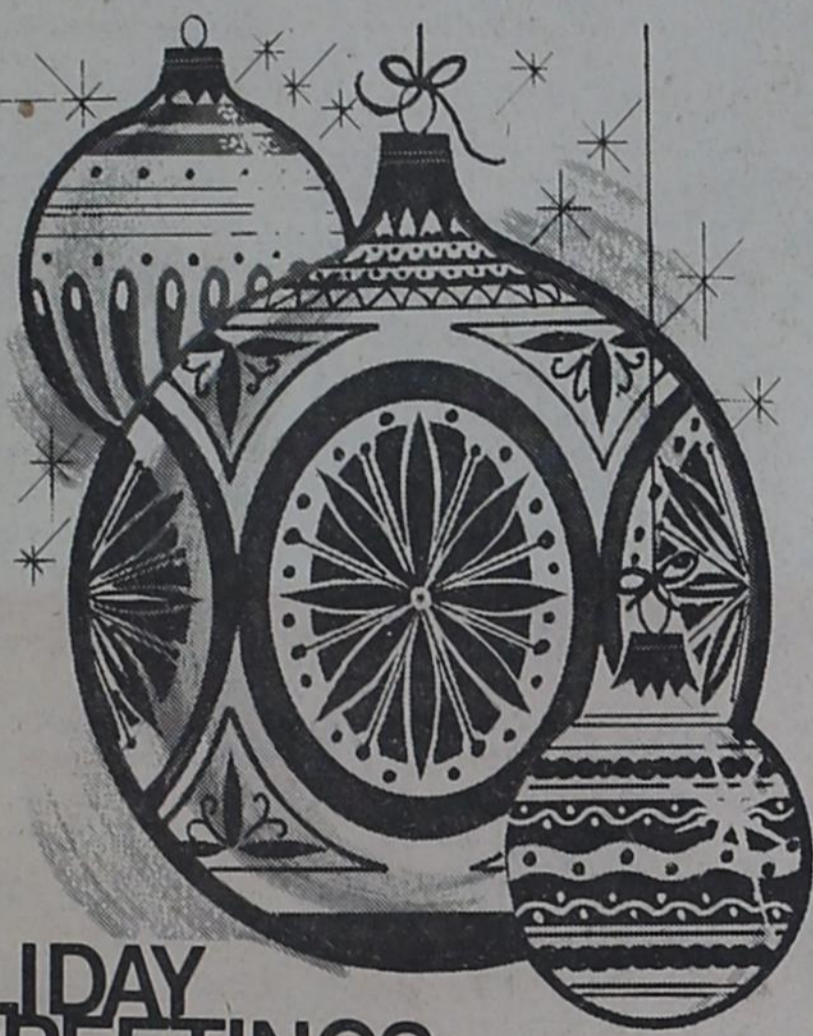
The Simmons family presently lives in Gulfport, Mississippi. They have three daughters, Linda, Becky and Kathy. Recently Patricia Ann graduated from a school of nursing and acquired the status of Registered Nurse.

Nellie, whose mother died when she was fourteen, learned to cook, sew and crochet as a young girl. She sewed for herself, assisted with the care of her younger brothers and sisters before her marriage and spent much of her spare time crocheting.

Since French's retirement the couple spends a lot of their time working with hobbies. French does oil painting, builds miniature furniture, converts larger pieces of furniture into more functional pieces and builds shadow boxes.



JUST IN TIME FOR CHRISTMAS....Mr. and Mrs. French Crook Sr. are enjoying having three of their granddaughters visit in their home. Linda (center), Becky (right), and Kathy (left), arrived in Bovina Wednesday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Simmons of Gulfport, Mississippi.



HOLIDAY GREETINGS

In this land of plenty, let us celebrate Christmas in true brotherhood and love!

BOVINA LIONS CLUB

Rhea HD Club Has Xmas Party

The Rhea Home Demonstration Club held their annual Christmas Party December 13 at Gay Taylor's home.

Cecelia Schueler read "The Christmas Story" and then led the group in several games. They sang Christmas carols and exchanged Christmas tree ornaments with each other.

Refreshments of Christmas goodies were served by Judy, Krita and Helen Potts.

Attending the Christmas party were Sarah Dean, Ruth Drager, Judy, Helen and Krita Potts, Velma Schlenker, Cecelia, Donna, Martha and Shirley Schueler, Kathy Terry, Gay Taylor, Ona Patterson, Katheryn Harrington, Roxann Hurst and Lois Potts.

Santa Letters

Dear Santa,
I want a Merlin, a Pac Man, a Barbie doll and books, a doll, a big Christmas tree, and a best Christmas ever.

Love, Diana

Nellie keeps busy, too. In addition to creating owl towel holders, she also crochets other useful and decorative items. She also sews pot holders and other things for her own use as well as for gifts.

Included in the items she made for the recent Senior Citizens Christmas Bazaar, were a large number of quilted bun warmers. They looked like hens sitting on a nest. Their wings could be raised to take a hot bun from the basket without removing the cover.

She also made a number of beaded tea ball chandeliers and some tiny monkeys from old fashioned men's Rockford socks.

Nellie used a wooden jewelry holder, which French made for her, to display the dazzling chandeliers.

Throughout the Crook home displays of the handiwork of the residents has been used for wall decorations. Some of French's paintings are used in just about every room.

One of the couple's most prized possessions is a family heirloom, which was a gift to French from his mother. It is a wooden scroll holder, which features a large number of scenes from the Bible.

The couple attends First Baptist

Church and are active in Bovina Senior Citizens. They have already observed their Golden Wedding Anniversary and spend most of their time pursuing their hobbies and enjoying their children and grandchildren.

--By June Floyd

Santa Letters

Dear Santa,
I want a Garfield and a Ken Barbie doll and an Atari. I also want a Donkey Kong or a Frogger or a Pac Man game.

Love Staci Lyn Stewart

Dear Santa,
I would like an Atari with cartridges and a bunch of Hardy Boy's books. How are the reindeers? How is Mrs. Claus? Merry Christmas!

Your friend, Robby Dyer
P.S. Tell Rudolph high for me.

Dear Santa,
I would like to have an Atari video game system, with Pac-Man and Night Driver. Also I would like to have a doll. I will leave you some milk and cookies.

Love, Mendy Rhodes

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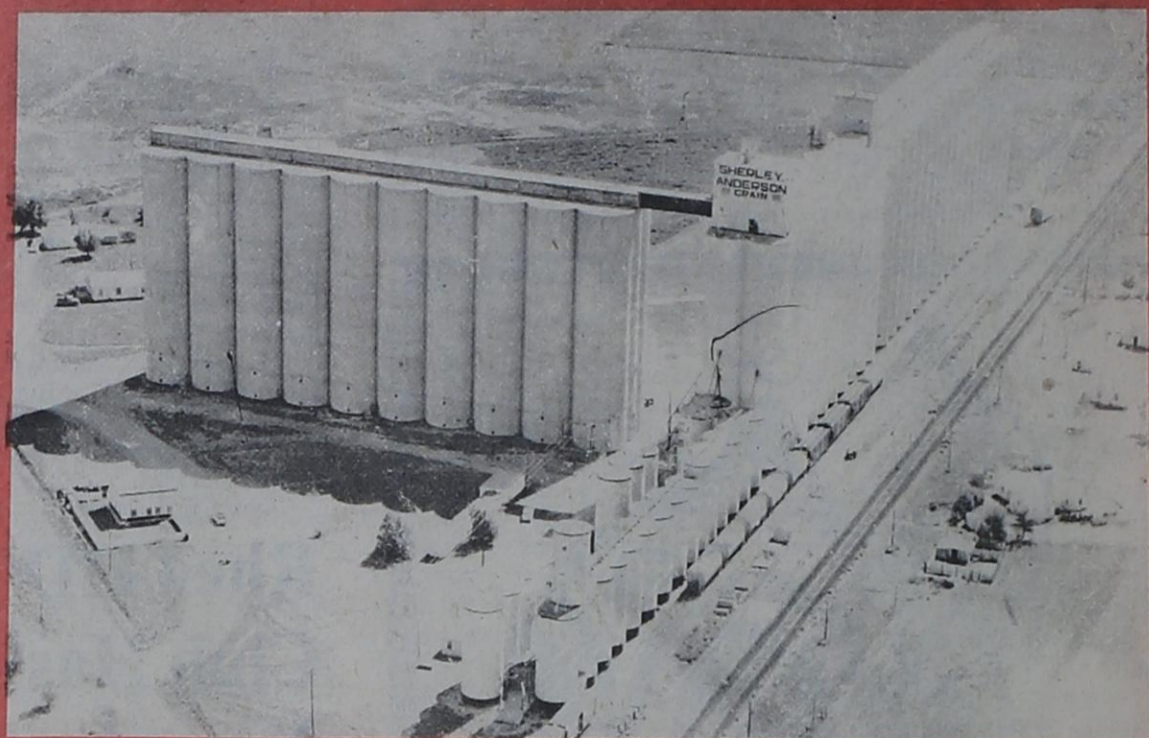
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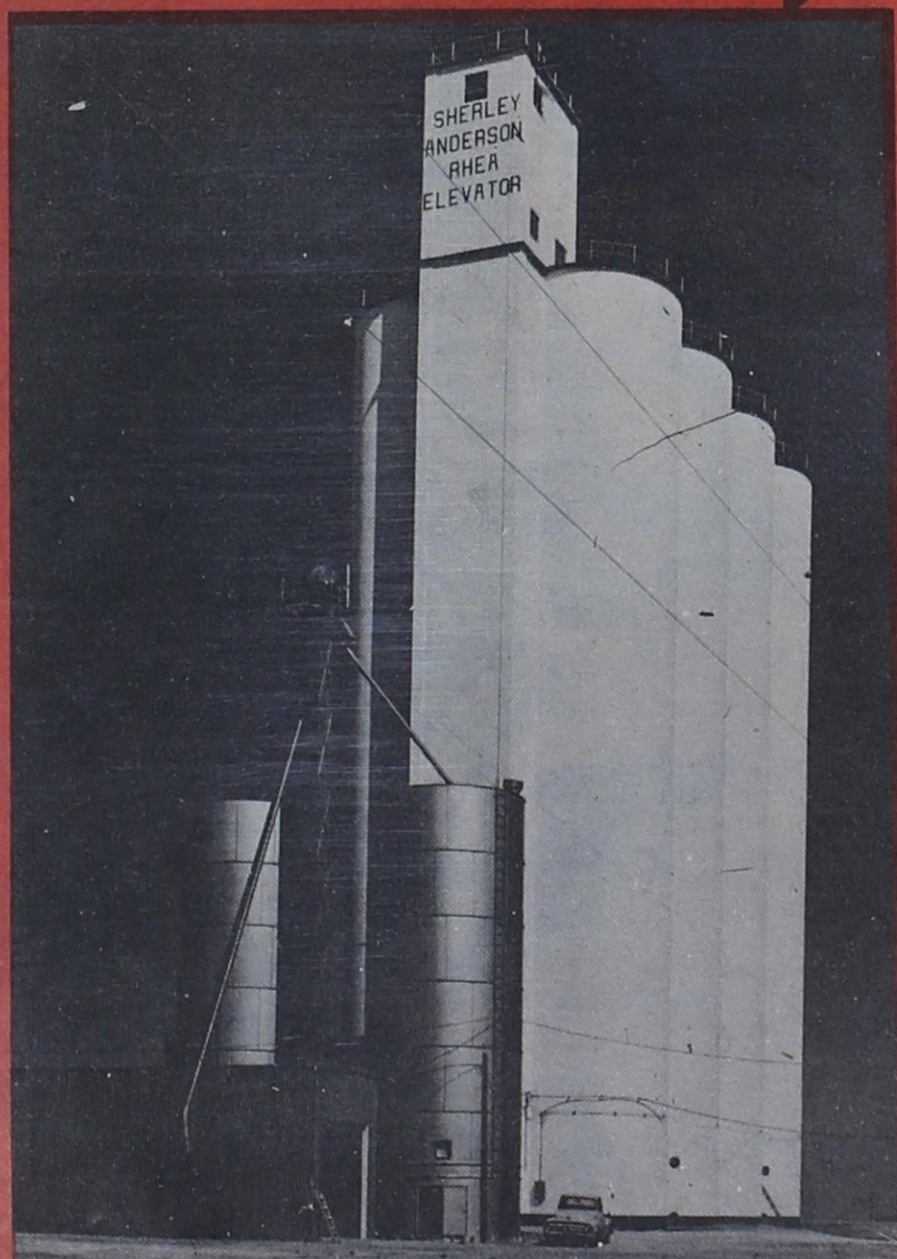


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