

Bull Town Bulle- tins

By
Bill Ellis



IN JUST UNDER two months, Barry Switzer removed himself from virtually every Dallas Cowboys fans' doghouse, to at least a measure of respect, following last Sunday's Super Bowl win.

Switzer wasn't exactly the first choice of dyed-in-the-wool fans to replace Jimmy Johnson, after he fell out of favor with the team's ego-maniac owner, Jerry Jones.

Many football fans across the Lone Star state remembered Switzer as the coach of the rival Oklahoma Sooners, who came to Dallas every year to battle the University of Texas. In other words, he already had two strikes against him when he took the job.

But Switzer persevered, and even though the Cowboys didn't make it to the Big Show after the 1994 season, the fans didn't hold it against him, since runningback Emmitt Smith came up with one "bad wheel" at the time the team met San Francisco for the divisional title.

However, the fans' animosity re-surfaced after Dallas visited Philadelphia for a game they were expected to win easily last December 10. All of you Dallas Cowboy fans recall the "low-lights" of that game.

Switzer elected to have the team try to make a yard on fourth down from their own 29-yard line. They failed, but got to re-think the situation when an official's whistle had stopped the previous play.

Once again the Boys were given the nod, and once again Emmitt Smith was stopped for no-gain. The game was tied at that point, and the Eagles kicked a late field goal for a 20-17 win.

The national sports press, and even commentators and writers in Dallas panned Switzer for his play-calling. "Fourth and Dumb" was the way one Texas writer summarized the situation.

The coach's decision to try to make the yardage was the number one subject of talk-show call-ins in Dallas for a couple of weeks.

Switzer's players rallied to his defense. Some of them, such as Michael Irvin, defended him by using a four-letter word in an interview broadcast by live network television.

Switzer was not swayed by the criticism. "We only needed a stinking foot. I'd do it again," he told reporters.

Fans who followed the pre-Super Bowl hoop-la may have learned something about Switzer that they had not previously known. Switzer was the son of an ex-convict father who was murdered by his mistress.

His alcoholic mother was said to have kissed Switzer, then went out on their back porch and blew her brains out.

Thus, many defenders of the current Dallas coach pointed out that compared to these episodes in his personal life, failing to make a fourth-down-and-a-foot in a football game was probably not that big of a deal. How can anyone in football today possibly coach a group of ego-inflated multi-millionaire players, and keep them focused as a team?

Personally, we miss the days of Tom Landry, Roger Staubach and Bob Lilly--when \$25,000 a year was a top salary. Those guys played football mainly for the enjoyment of it, and players stayed on the same teams for more than a year or two at a time.

But even though we can't quite admire the current Cowboys as much as teams from the earlier days, you have to admit that it felt good to watch them finally beat the Steelers in the Super Bowl.

Underpass Work Is Set

The Texas Department of Transportation will close State Highway 86 in Bovina, from U.S. Highway 60 to 1/4 mile west of the railroad underpass.

TxDOT will close the road on Monday, February 12 so the railroad can widen the bridge and add another track. The road will be closed for two months.

Junior Basketball Organizes

The Little Dribblers Junior Basketball Association, for 3rd through 6th grades, will hold a basketball clinic at 9 a.m., Saturday February 10, at the high school gymnasium.

The clinic will be for kids that are signed up for the program. Anyone who wants to help with this youth program is encouraged to attend.

Team tryouts are set for March 4. There will be both boys and girls teams.

President of the association this year is Jerry Birdsong, secretary is Terri Sorley, and Esther Steelman is treasurer.

Board members are D'Lynn Jamerson, Kim Black, Luisa Villarreal, Bruce Beets, and Kathy Rundell.

Boosters To Raffle Basketball

The Mustangs Booster Club will give away a basketball, autographed by the Mustangs players, at the basketball homecoming game February 9 against Happy.

Tickets are \$1 each and proceeds will help the Mustangs Booster Club.

Tickets may be purchased from any Booster Club member and at the game.



PHYLLIS STEELMAN

P. Steelman Is Teacher of the Week

Veteran Bovina Elementary School Teacher Phyllis Steelman is the Bovina Blade's Teacher of the Week.

For 26 years, Steelman has taught first and second grade at Bovina schools.

Her husband E.G., is a farmer, as is their only son, Joe. The Steelmans have three grandsons.

Her hobby is reading and "grandson-ing" she says.

She also teaches pre-kindergarten four and five year-olds at First Baptist Church in Bovina.

By now, she is no doubt teaching the children of some of the children she has taught.

Blade Sets Deadline For Valentine Picture Page

Parents, grandparents, sweethearts newlyweds, etc. are all being reminded that now is the time to be looking up those photos of your dear ones for the annual "Valentines Sweetheart Page," also known as the "Grandparents Brag Page," which will be published in the Bovina Blade issue of February 10, 1996.

Husbands and wives can bring in a photo of their beloved spouse taken "way back when." Hunt up a baby picture of your girlfriend or boyfriend. You can even bring a photo of your favorite pet, dog, cat, bird, pig, or what-have-you.

Deadline for turning in photos to the Blade office will be Tuesday, February 6 by 5 p.m. If you cannot bring the pictures in person, they can be mailed to The Bovina Blade, Drawer B, Bovina TX 79009.

Cost for running each photo with from one to three persons in the picture will be \$10. More than



SCHOOL DAYS! FOOD DAYS!.....Bovina cafeteria employees are ready for the junior high rush. From left are: manager Cathey Riley, Maria Serna, Carolyn Pruitt, Rita Villarreal, Lora Salazar, and Tina Uriegas.



YEAH, LET'S EAT.....Pre-kindergarten teacher Anna Ortiz, right, supervises lunch for her morning class at the school cafeteria. The little ones enjoy excellent care and feeding under the watchful eyes of Mrs. Ortiz and the elementary school staff.



JAMIE STANBERRY Stanberry is Student Of The Week

Sophomore Jamie Stanberry is the Student of the Week at Bovina High.

She has attended Bovina Schools since kindergarten and is the daughter of Wendy and Dean Stanberry.

She has two sisters, Melanie in the 7th grade, and Michelle, who graduated in 1991. Also she has a brother, Travis, in the 6th grade.

Stanberry says she would like to attend either Texas Tech or Rice University and major in the medical field.

At BHS she is a member of the National Honor Society and plays percussion in the band.

Stanberry was nominated by teacher Carolyn Beauchamp for her cooperative, respectful, trustworthy, and helpful attitudes.

Schools Give Break Schedule

The Bovina Schools will not have a full week "spring break" this year.

Instead, schools will be closed only the dates of February 14 through February 16.

Three in a picture will run from \$12 to \$20, depending on the number in the group. However, single photos do show up better on the page.

Pictures can be any size, color or black and white. These pictures must be taken elsewhere, as the newspaper will not be available to take any photos for this feature. All pictures will be returned unharmed.

BHS Moves To 3-2A

Coach Mike Royce said at press time that the Mustangs will move to District 3-2A beginning the 1996-97 season.

Rounding out District 3-2A are Amarillo Highland Park, Hale Center, Hart, Lockney, Olton, and Bovina.

The Blade will publish more information about the effects of the change in next week's issue.

Local Youth Recalls The Day His Life Changed

By Ron Carr

Two years ago this past week, on January 31, 1994, Bovina eighth-grader Pedro Marrufo's life changed forever.

In the short time it took to drive Bovina's Main Street east past the roping arena, 14-year-old Pedro Marrufo went from an active, athletic eighth grader, to wheelchair confinement, perhaps for life.

Marrufo was the most seriously injured of four youths, all 13 and 14 year-olds, who were spilled out of the overturned pickup and scattered across the rough, cold, dirt road.

What started as a pickup ride to nowhere in particular, ended in unplanned helicopter rides as the youths were transported from Friona hospital to Amarillo and Lubbock hospitals where they were listed in critical condition.

Pedro Marrufo remembers riding down Main Street, and then waking up in the hospital.

We visited with Marrufo this week in the Bovina High library. He is now a sophomore, confined to a life in a wheelchair, who sometimes longs for another opportunity to "suit-up" for basketball and football. Now he can only watch, and wish that that day two years ago could be undone.



PEDRO MARRUFO

"If our basketball game with Kress hadn't been canceled, I wouldn't have been in the truck", he said. "Our eighth grade team had been working out, we were supposed to play Kress, but because of icy conditions our trip to Kress was canceled. I was the only one in the accident that played basketball."

Allsup's Truck Center Sets Grand Opening

A Grand Opening celebration will take place on Saturday, February 3 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the newly-branded Allsup's/Fina Truck Center in Friona located at 1411 West Highway 60.

An all new diesel island containing hi-flow diesel pumps has been installed with the capability of fueling three 18-wheelers and one pickup or car at the same time. New lighting, canopies, tanks and fast-flow pumps have also been installed, making filling up a much easier and quicker experience for customers.

Festivities will kick off with a ribbon cutting sponsored by the Friona Chamber of Commerce. Allsup's will be offering reduced prices on Fina gasoline during Grand Opening hours.

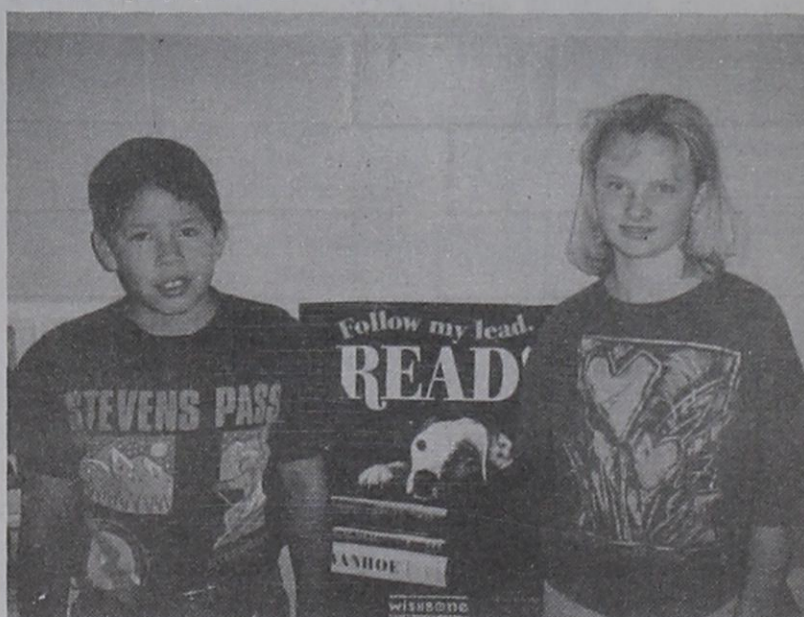
Customers can register to win a Fina Mini-Kenworth 18-wheeler and flatbed trailer, an 18-wheeler radio control hauler and \$100 in free Fina gasoline.

Allsup's will offer Grand Opening specials such as buy one, get one free Allsup's famous burritos, 32 oz. fountain drink and personal pizza for only \$1.99 and reduced prices on Fina motor oil. Free prizes will be given away while supplies last.

In the beginning of Allsup's history, the seventh Allsup's store

was located in Friona and the eighteenth store in Bovina. The chain has grown to 300 stores throughout New Mexico and West Texas.

"Allsup's greatly appreciates the support these two communities have shown their stores and has welcomed the opportunity to cordially invite all citizens from Friona and Bovina to stop by the Friona store on February 3 to join the Grand Opening celebration," said a company spokesman.



JOIN THE READING CLUB.....Fourth grader Ricardo Rojas and fifth grader Amber Widner have joined the elite at Bovina Elementary. They recently earned an Accelerated Reading T-shirt as members of the Accelerated Reading 100 Point Club.



Funeral Mass Was Held Thurs. For Ireneo Ortiz

Mass for Ireneo Ortiz, 65, of Bovina, were conducted at 11 a.m. Thursday at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Bovina with Father Edward Kieran officiating.

Rosary was said at St. Ann's Catholic Church at 8 p.m. Wednesday. Burial will be in Bovina Cemetery under the direction of Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home.

Ortiz died January 29, 1996 at St. Anthony's Hospice in Amarillo. He was born March 25, 1930 in San Marcos.

He married Graciela Castro in 1957 in Rensselaer, Indiana.

Ortiz was a member of St. Ann's Catholic Church in Bovina and was a member of the Sacred Heart Society at St. Ann's Church.

He has lived in Bovina since 1969, moving from Rensselaer, Indiana. He was a farmer.

One son, Andrew, preceded him in death, in 1994.

Ten Make Honor List

The Middle School semester honor roll was released this week.

Students and their grade categories were as follows:

ALL A'S

Sixth grade--David Garcia, Danny Martinez, Christen Stowers and Angela Villarreal.

Seventh grade--Tyson Kerby, Krysta Morris and Levi Steelman.

Eighth grade--Melissa Cano, Walter Kessler and Timothy Peabody.

ALL A'S AND B'S

Sixth grade--Paula Chavez, Tabitha Englant, Amber King, Stephen Olivarez, Jeremy Ortiz, Briselda Rodriguez, Diego Ruis and Alonso Vela.

Seventh grade--Chris Antillon, Cameron Charles, Yancy Graves, Michelle Guzman, Lindsey Pruitt, Adam Ramirez, Patricia Robles and Juan Saucedo.

Eighth grade--Marisol Antillon, Blake Clements, Manny Marquez, Alvaro Martinez, Misty Pruitt, Cliff Rocha, Sara Sorley, Lety Vargas and Nancy Vela.

Survivors include his wife, Graciela, of Bovina; two sons, Eddie Ortiz of Bovina and Noel Ortiz of Clovis, New Mexico; two daughters, Celia Quintana and Delia Cantu, both of Bovina.

Fourteen grandchildren and one great-grandchild also survive.

Jr. Boys Divide Up Happy

In earlier games last week, the JV boys manhandled Happy by a score of 54-38. The lads led the entire game.

High scorer for Bovina was Marquez with 14 points, followed by Vanegas with 11 and Antillon with 10.

Other JV'ers scoring were: Bell-7, Vargas-4, Shuffelberger-3, Kerby-2, J. Estraca-1, Willard-1, and Roach-1.

The 8th grade boys were outplayed in the first and third quarters and never managed to close the gaps.

Happy scored a total of 41 points in the first and third quarters to a total of only 18 by Bovina.

Final score in the game was 55-31.

Scoring for Bovina were: Quintana-10, Griggs-9, Martinez-3, Clements-2, Marquez-2, Ramon-2, Saucedo-2, and Kessler-1.

Happy Birthday

These Bovina area residents have birthdays the week of February 4-February 10.

Feb 4--Epifanio Vanegas, Alma Clayton, Pete Davies, Sherri Whitten.

Feb 5--Chad Clayton, Montie Howell, Johnnie Dopp.

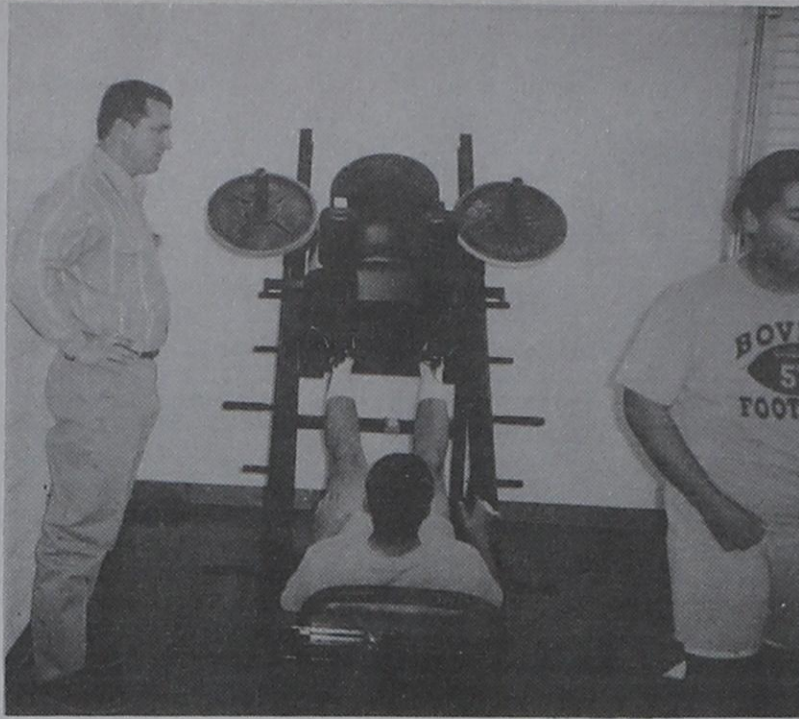
Feb 6--Donalita Hawkins

Feb 7--Rachel Gilbreath, Renee Bartlett, Brett Anderson.

Feb 8--Cody Jamerson

Feb 9--Earl Whitten

Feb 10--Chris Shufelberger, Blake Scaff.



RUNNING LONGER AND STRONGER...Head Coach Mike Royce encourages Hector Larrea on the leg press workout during one of the Mustang off season conditioning program sessions. Coaches report that the boys participating in the program are making excellent progress.

Reflections

...from the files of The Bovina Blade

35 YRS AGO--FEB. 10, 1961

A new fire station for Bovina became a step closer to reality following last week's city council meeting. The council voted to have plans drawn for the new station and city warehouse.

This year's first "sure-enough" winter weather struck Sunday afternoon. Snow and sleet, which measured an estimated four to five inches, fell from Sunday night until mid-morning Monday.

A community-wide church census is being taken and is 75 to 80 per cent complete, says Don Stone, minister of Bovina Church of Christ, one of the leaders of the project.

30 YRS AGO--FEB. 4, 1966

Plans to acquire a new post office building for Bovina were announced today by Postmaster General Gronouski. The building will be located at the westernmost corner of Avenue B and Second Street.

A community-wide church census is scheduled to be conducted Sunday afternoon. A crew of about 60 is expected to work on the project.

Otis Spears, superintendent of Bovina Schools, favors the teacher pay increase proposed by Texas State Teachers Association rather than the plan announced by Governor John Connally.

Eddie Corn, member of Bovina FFA, showed the reserve champion lamb in the "other breeds" class of the Amarillo Stock Show in Amarillo last weekend.

Bovina's March of Dimes fund for 1966 is \$109 richer following a benefit basketball game here Thursday night between the Lions and the Jaycees.

25 YRS AGO--FEB. 8, 1971

Much of the \$2,000 of merchandise, taken from Williams Mercantile in Bovina last Tuesday, has been recovered by Parmer County Sheriff Charles Lovelace following the arrest of four Clovis men.

Guest speaker at a general membership meeting of Bovina Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture Thursday will be Dan True, popular television weather reporter from Amarillo.

An insect control short course for farmers will be conducted Monday through Friday of next week under sponsorship of the Bovina High School Vocational Agriculture Department.

Mary Ann McKinney, Judy Crawford, and Joyce Marshall are in the Vogue sewing contest being sponsored by Bovina Woman's Study Club and the homemaking department.

20 YRS AGO--FEB. 7, 1976

Funeral services for Mrs. Mildred Ethel Moody, former resident, were held.

Services for Johnnie Horn, longtime Bovina resident, were held last week.

Rhonda Rhodes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Rhodes, Jr. of Bovina, sophomore at Lubbock Christian College, has been named to membership in the Alpha Mu Chapter of Alpha Chi, a national honor scholastic society.

15 YRS AGO--FEB. 5, 1981

The 1981 basketball king and queen at Bovina High School were Harvey Shepherd and Karen Schilling, who were crowned in ceremonies last Friday night.

Bovina Fillies Lose Two Tough Games

The Bovina Fillies took on two tough opponents and didn't fare very well as they finished round one of district play.

First, the Fillies went to Happy where they lost 62-32. The Cowgirls came out with a hot hand and ended up hitting a high percentage of their shots.

Rachel Turner had a great game for the Fillies with 12 points and playing some key defense on their post players. Also scoring: Bonnie Quintana-11, Kasey Bell-4, Lisa Hromas-3, and Carmen Campos-2. Hromas led the Fillie rebounding with seven grabs.

Number one state ranked Nazareth bombed the Fillies last Friday by a score of 81-31.

Poor free throw shooting contributed to the loss margin as the Fillies made only 7 out of 23 shots.

Hromas had a good night with 12 rebounds and 14 points. Quintana had 7 points, Alex Dopp-3, Turner-3, Lori Beauchamp-2, and

Campos-2. After the losses, the Fillies were 9-15 on the year and 1-5 in district play.

Hromas & Neal On Dean's Roll

Texas A&M University named its honor students for the 1995 fall semester.

The Dean's Honor Roll recognizes students taking at least 15 student credit hours who have maintained at least a 3.75 grade point ratio (GPR) out of a possible 4.0 during the most recent grading period.

Bovinans Darren Ross Hromas, a junior majoring in computer science, and Henry Cain Neal, also a junior majoring in earth science, were named to the fall 1995 Dean's Honor Roll at the university.

Political Calendar

The Bovina Blade is authorized to announce the candidacy of the following, subject to the Democratic primary in March:

PARMER COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR
DORIS HERINGTON (re-election)

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Mustangs Split Pair

The Bovina Mustangs breezed by Happy, but ran into a buzzsaw when Nazareth came to town.

Against Happy, the Mustangs led all the way in a close game until the fourth quarter, when the Mustangs outscored Happy 14-4, and won by 51-34.

High scorer for Bovina was Tony Beauchamp with 21 points, followed by Cruz Marrufo with 12. Others scoring were: Luke Steelman-9, Martin Reyna-5, Jerry Rocha-2, and Adan Perez-2.

When state-ranked Nazareth rolled around, the game was never really close. Nazareth scored 29 points in the first quarter and led at halftime by 47-30.

After a 41-point second half, Nazareth ended as the winner by a lopsided score of 89-60.

High scorer for the Mustangs was Adan Perez with 14. Others scoring were Tony Beauchamp-13, Cruz Marrufo-12, Reyna-8, Manny Quintana-7, Steelman-4, and Rocha-2.

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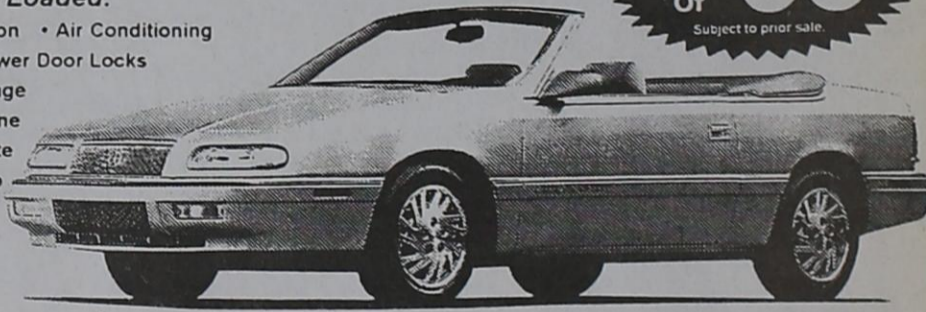
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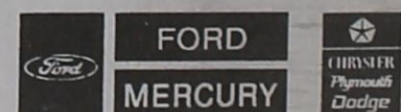
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Out Here

By RON CARR



Someone once said that the true definition of a redneck was a guy that watched those fishing shows on TV, and actually paid attention.

I was wondering if rednecks were only male, until I overheard a lady in the drugstore say she wasn't interested in watching the Super Bowl. She said she would rather watch a rodeo. And she was serious.

Whether you are a redneck, a TV watcher, or both, one thing is for sure. As you get older, your habits and preferences will change. As the song in Lion King says, we are caught in "the circle of life".

The other day, I found myself watching a cooking show on television. And paying attention. I have always admired people who make cooking look so easy.

Here is the list of things I know how to cook: hot dogs, grilled cheese sandwiches, eggs and bacon, instant oatmeal, salad, or meat on an outdoor grill.

That is one of the reasons you seldom see me at a "covered dish" dinner. I don't know what to put in the dish.

If I am asked to bring a dessert, a bag of Nabisco chocolate chips is about as creative as I get.

That is why I was interested in the TV cooking program. It is never too late in life to learn something new. In fact, I think it is healthy to learn more the older you get.

I have been watching the Discovery Channel some too. And CNN and Good Morning America. On occasion, I check out a TV evangelist but I find most of them abrasive and phony smelling.

I am not a TV sitcom watcher. I may be the only person in America who has never watched an episode of Roseanne. Can't stand the woman.

I will admit to watching Seinfeld because I find the show to be very funny with no serious implications.

Either a lot of life has passed me by unnoticed, or I lived too fast to stop and smell the coffee.

Cindy and I were watching the American Music Awards Show this week. We usually watch all the award shows. Oscars, Emmys, Grammys, Tonys, you name it.

Mainly we want to see what people are wearing (or not wearing), and cheer or jeer the whole proceedings.

On the Music Awards show, a group named Hootie and the Blowfish won artist of the year. Four males came up to accept. We couldn't tell which one was Hootie, but a couple of them did look like blowfish.

Another group, called the Smashing Pumpkins (I am not making this up), performed one of their hits. Cindy and I leaned forward to see if we could make out a single word they were saying. We couldn't.

I asked my brother Rick if in the glove box of his pickup he had a Hootie or Pumpkins tape I could listen too.

He handed me Merle Haggard and said take this and shut up.

We even noticed that the new country and western stars are not very redneck anymore. Including Garth Brooks.

He won the top music award of the evening, made a speech about we are all in this together, and said he was leaving the award sitting there. Then he walked off.

A real redneck would have said thanks, I deserve this, then used the award as a hood ornament on his Ford Ranger.

Redneck comedian Jeff Foxworthy was one of the hosts for the evening and even he couldn't get off a decent redneck joke. Truth is, he wasn't very funny.

Here is a message for the younger set. Don't worry about what you like today, because you won't like it as much tomorrow. But that's okay. It's the circle of life.

Instead of buying "The Best of Nat King Cole", twenty years from now you can buy "The Best of Hootie and the Blowfish" on television for only \$19.95, plus \$5.95 shipping and handling.

For now just give me a couple of my Willie Nelson tapes and let me channel surf with my remote control.

Before the day is over, I will know how to save the whales, cook a gourmet squash and broccoli casserole garnished with sauteed pork bits, and find out exactly what Rush Limbaugh has in mind to save the U.S.A.

For an old part-time redneck, it just don't get much better than that.

Turn on the stove and hand me the commel.

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Windbreaks are beneficial in many ways. They provide cover for wildlife such as quail and pheasant. They can reduce wind speeds by one-third its normal velocity, reduce energy-use by .30 cents per home, increase property value and aesthetic value. These are just a few of the benefits that a windbreak can provide.

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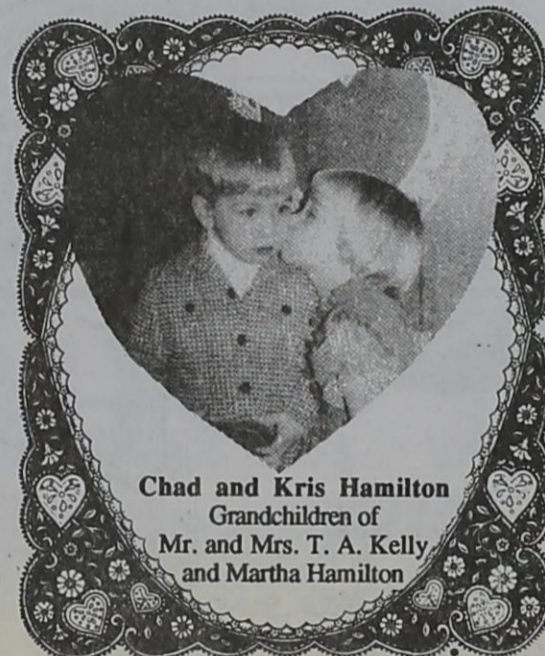
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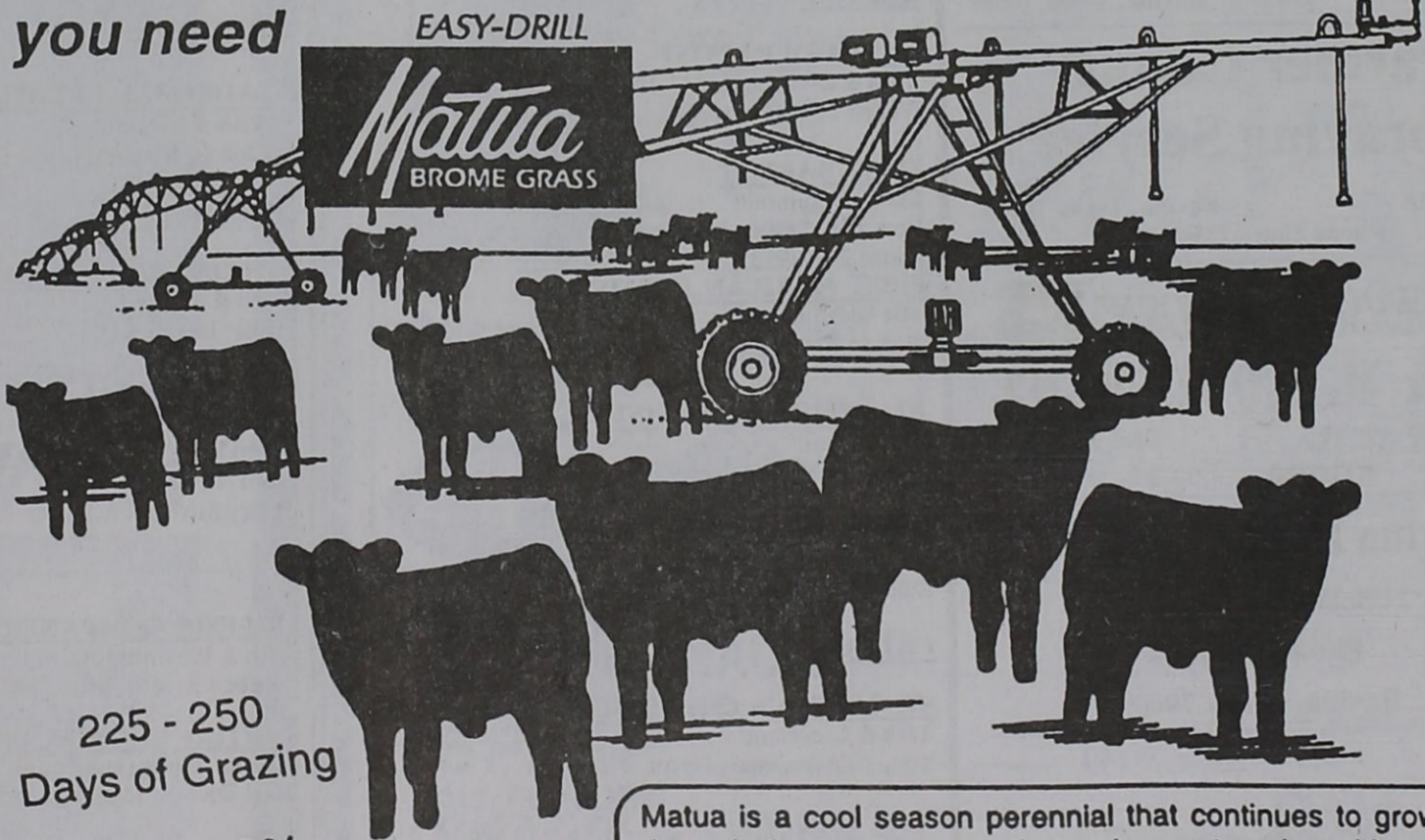


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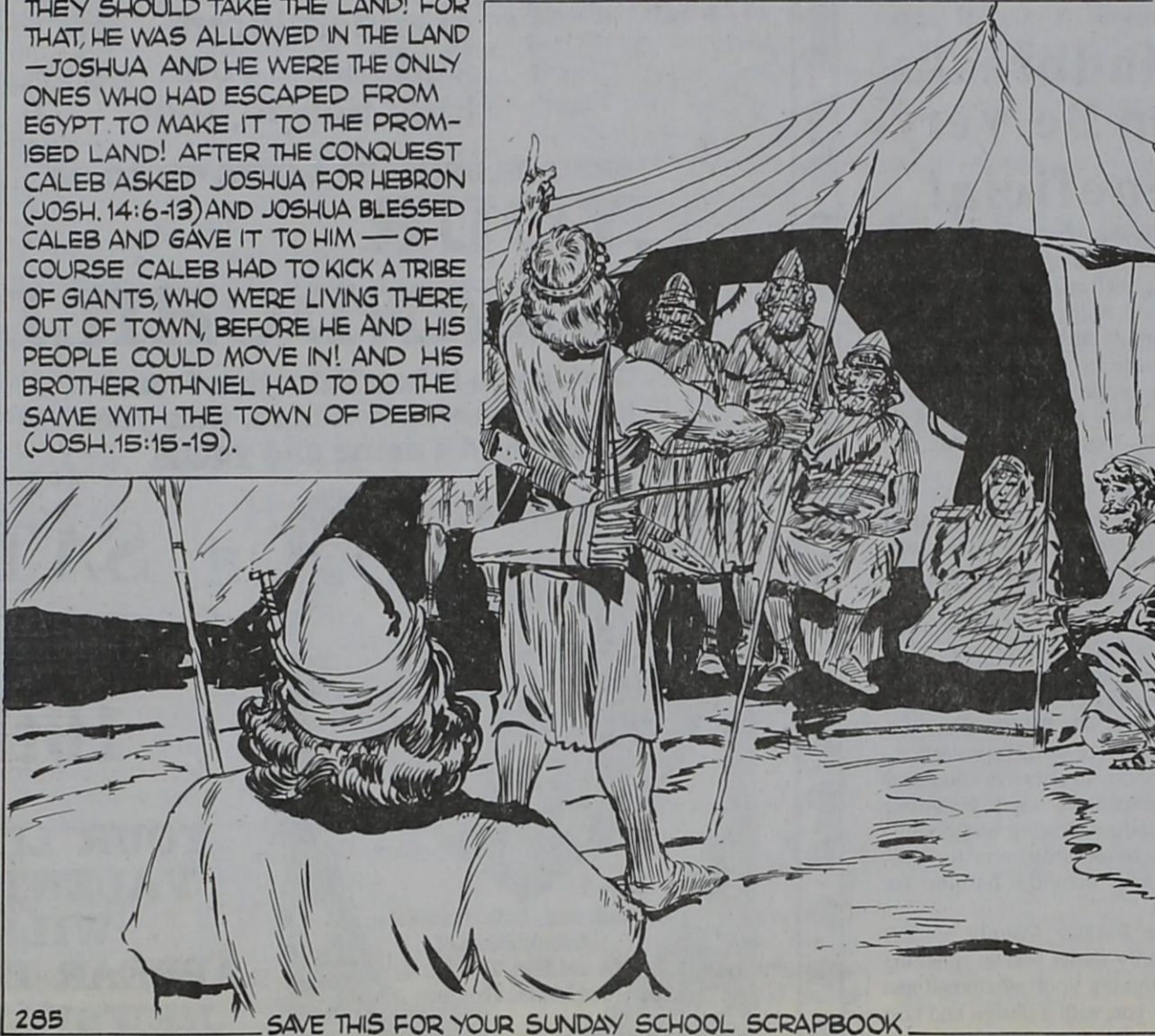
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Facts About The **BIBLE** BY JOHN LEHTI

CALEB - A PRINCE OF JUDAH!

CALEB WAS THE SON OF JEPHUNNEH THE KENIZZITE AND THE ELDER BROTHER OF OTHNIEL. (NUM. 32:2, JOSH. 15:17) HE ASSUMED THE HEAD OF A FATHER'S HOUSE OF THE TRIBE OF JUDAH WHICH MADE HIM ONE OF THE EARLY PRINCES IN THE TWELVE TRIBES OF ISRAEL! HE WAS ONE OF THE 12 MEN MOSES SENT TO SPY OUT THE "PROMISED LAND" AND ONE OF THE 2 MEN WHO CAME BACK AND AGREED WITH JEHOVAH THAT THEY SHOULD TAKE THE LAND! FOR THAT, HE WAS ALLOWED IN THE LAND - JOSHUA AND HE WERE THE ONLY ONES WHO HAD ESCAPED FROM EGYPT TO MAKE IT TO THE PROMISED LAND! AFTER THE CONQUEST CALEB ASKED JOSHUA FOR HEBRON (JOSH. 14:6-13) AND JOSHUA BLESSED CALEB AND GAVE IT TO HIM - OF COURSE CALEB HAD TO KICK A TRIBE OF GIANTS, WHO WERE LIVING THERE, OUT OF TOWN, BEFORE HE AND HIS PEOPLE COULD MOVE IN! AND HIS BROTHER OTHNIEL HAD TO DO THE SAME WITH THE TOWN OF DEBIR (JOSH. 15:15-19).



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Scooter's Scoops

By SCOOTER RUSSELL

The Super Bowl football game is over and Texans are happy once more. Along with the football game, we enjoyed the commercials. They are always new and different.

Valentine's Day is just around the corner and if you wish to have your grandchild's picture in our "special," please bring it to the office by Tuesday, February 6. There is a charge of \$10 a picture (from one to three in a picture, more than three slightly higher). All pictures will be returned unharmed.

NEWS AROUND TOWN...

Frances Hawkins was telling me that she and Erith and also Owen and Arlene Patton tried to go to Jackson Hole, Wyoming and ran into a terrible snowstorm. Frances said she had never seen anything like it in her life.

She said Erith was a good driver so he drove slowly and went all the way to Rock Springs, Wyoming before stopping. They spent time in a motel then turned around and came home. Their intentions were to go to Jackson Hole and ride a horse-drawn sleigh...maybe next time....

Joe Looney will be having surgery on Tuesday of this week in Hereford at the Deaf Smith Regional Medical Center. We'll be thinking about her and wishing her well.

Last week, I wrote about our UPS man, Coy Walker of Plainview, who was injured in a bad auto accident three years ago near Friona.

Another man, Wayne Rhodes of Friona, Gaylon Rhodes' brother, was also seriously injured in the accident. He underwent seven hours of back surgery the middle of January at High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo. I talked with his daughter on Monday of this week, and she said Wayne was home from the hospital and getting along fine.

Marie Kriegel suffered a broken wrist when she slipped and fell at her home Saturday. Her friend, Carolyn Pruitt, took her to the hospital in Friona and they sent her on to High Plains Hospital in Clovis where she underwent surgery on her wrist. They kept Marie in the hospital overnight but she has been released and is at her home

now. I talked to Lowell Primrose on Monday and he said his wife, Billie, was still a patient in the Friona hospital but he hoped to have her home by the end of the week.

Billie was hospitalized with pneumonia and also heart problems. Lowell's mother, Maudie, is still in the hospital in Amarillo and has been there since a week before Thanksgiving. Lowell said she had varicose veins in her legs and developed cancer.

They do have it under control now but Lowell said he didn't know when she would be released.

Two Super Bowl parties were held Sunday afternoon. The high school party was held at the home of Charlie and Rhonda Wilkins with about 25 attending.

It started at 4:30 in the afternoon and lasted until after the game. The group ate pizza and played pool during the commercials and at halftime.

The junior high Super Bowl party was held at Wes and Charolette Cockerham's home with several youngsters present. Doyle and Gilda Garner were there to help with the party.

Patsy Mejia of Memphis, Texas has been in Bovina this week visiting with daughters, Gilda Garner and Esther Steelman. She came on Tuesday of last week and left on Tuesday of this week. Patsy and her husband, Porforio Mejia, pastored the Mexican Baptist Church here some years ago.

Kory Mitchell, son of Larry and Donna Mitchell, was involved in an accident three weeks ago and suffered serious injuries on one of his feet. He was in the Friona hospital a while then taken to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo where he underwent surgery that involved skin grafting on that foot. Kory's mom, Donna, said the dressing was removed Sunday and the doctor was hopeful that it "took," but said only time will tell.

Dorothy Lusk, former resident

for many years, has undergone heart surgery. She had the heart surgery a few years ago and some of the valves were not doing what they were supposed to do, so the new surgery hopefully will correct it. The Lusks now live in Clovis.

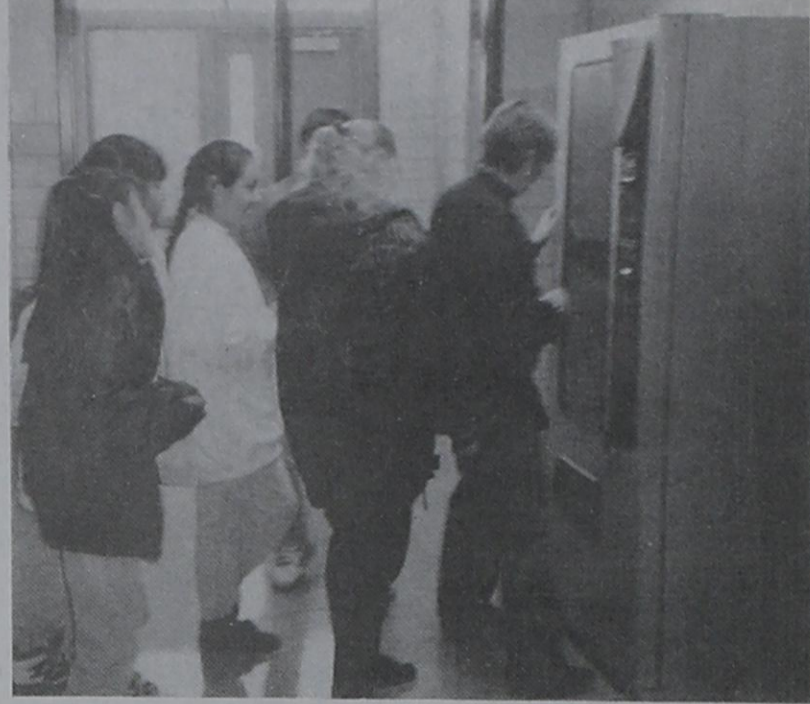
Edwin Lide underwent surgery to have a fatty tumor removed from the back of his neck two weeks ago Tuesday. I talked with him on Monday and he said he is still having lots of pain.

Edwin went to the hospital one day and was released the next. He said the pain was caused from the muscle that was damaged during the surgery.

Rev. Neely and Sabrina Landrum hosted a Super Bowl party at their home following the evening worship Sunday evening at 4 p.m. Several were there to enjoy the game, refreshments and fellowship.

The Oklahoma Lane United Methodist Church will be celebrating seventy years on January 31. The church is an important part of the community and we congratulate all the people who have worked hard all these years to keep it going.

THINK ABOUT IT:
Walking isn't a lost art--one must, by some means get to the garage.
Have a great week....Scooter.



IS IT STUCK AGAIN?.....Middle School Principal Brenda Wilson does her maintenance on the ever popular candy machine as a group of anxious students look on during a recent lunch break. The candy machine is a busy spot most days.

Bovina School Lunch Menu Week of Feb. 5-9

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- TUESDAY--sub sandwiches, lettuce, tomatoes, fries, fruit, cake and milk.
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- THURSDAY--chicken fried steak, green beans, potatoes, rolls, fruit and milk.
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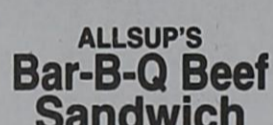
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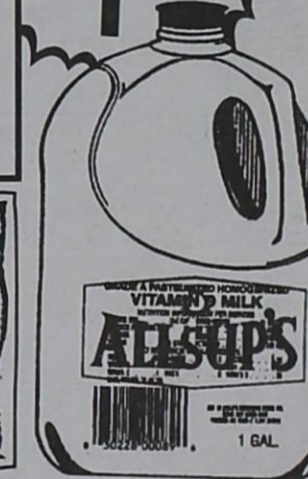
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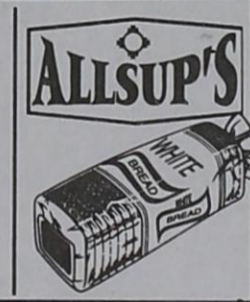
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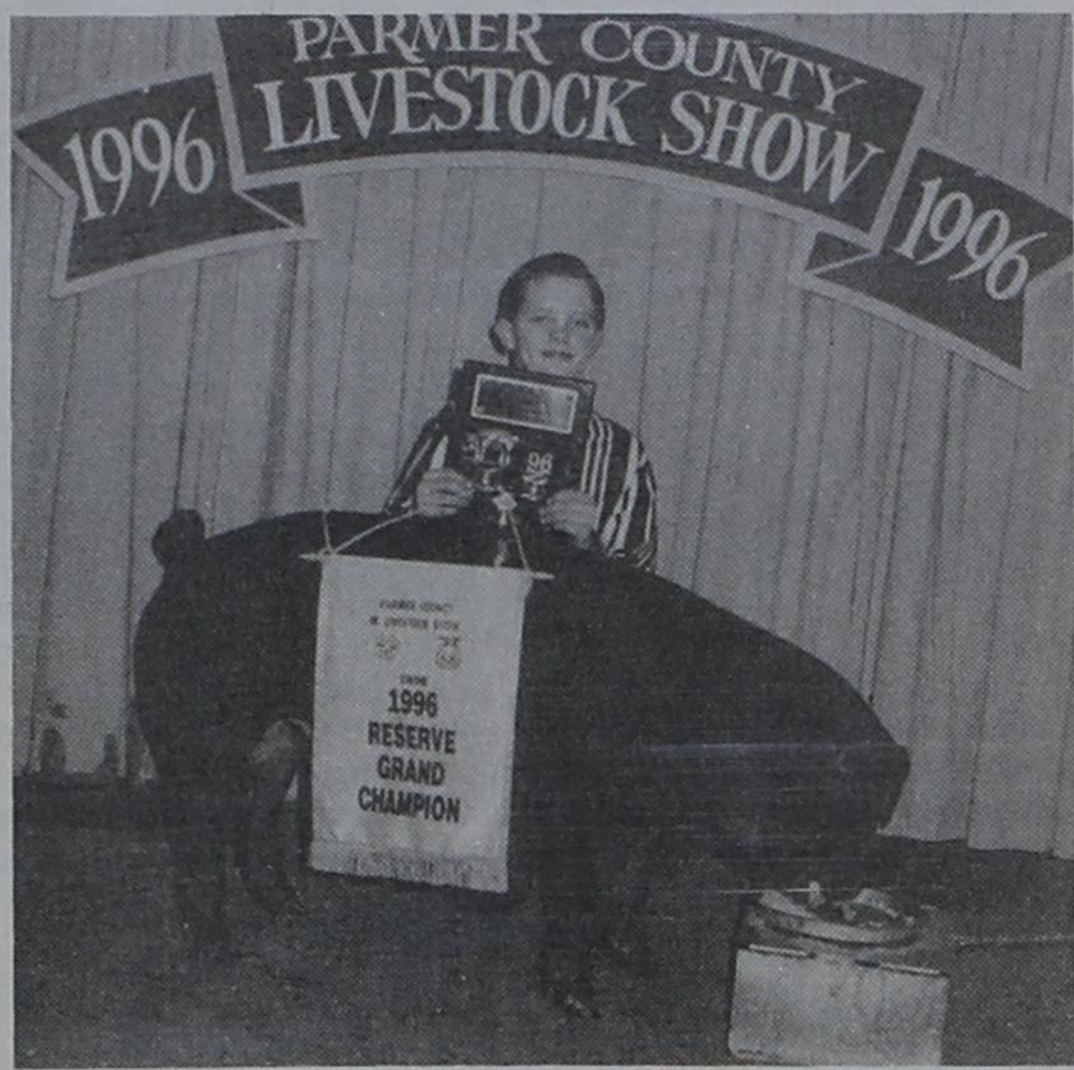


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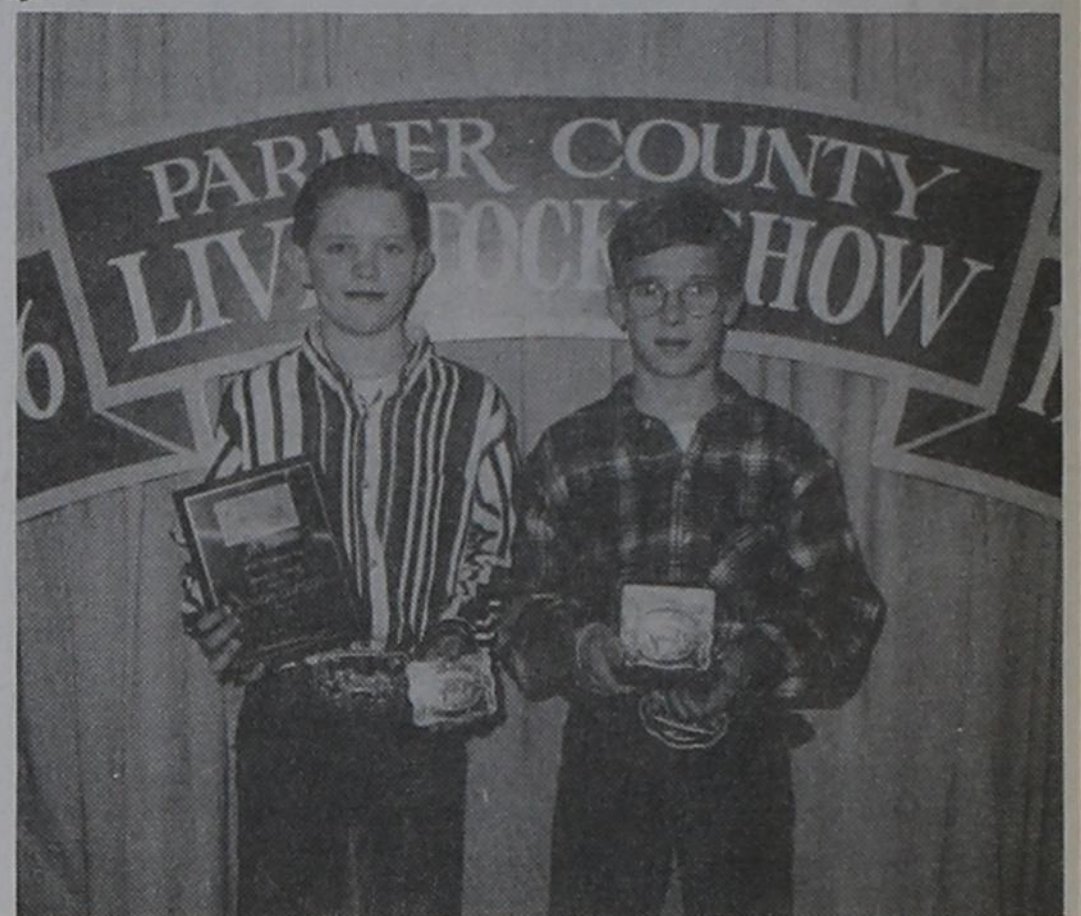
Congratulations 1996 Bovina Livestock Show Competitors



RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION BARROW....Tyson Kerby's Duroc barrow was named champion of its breed and later Grand Champion of this year's Parmer County Junior Livestock Show.



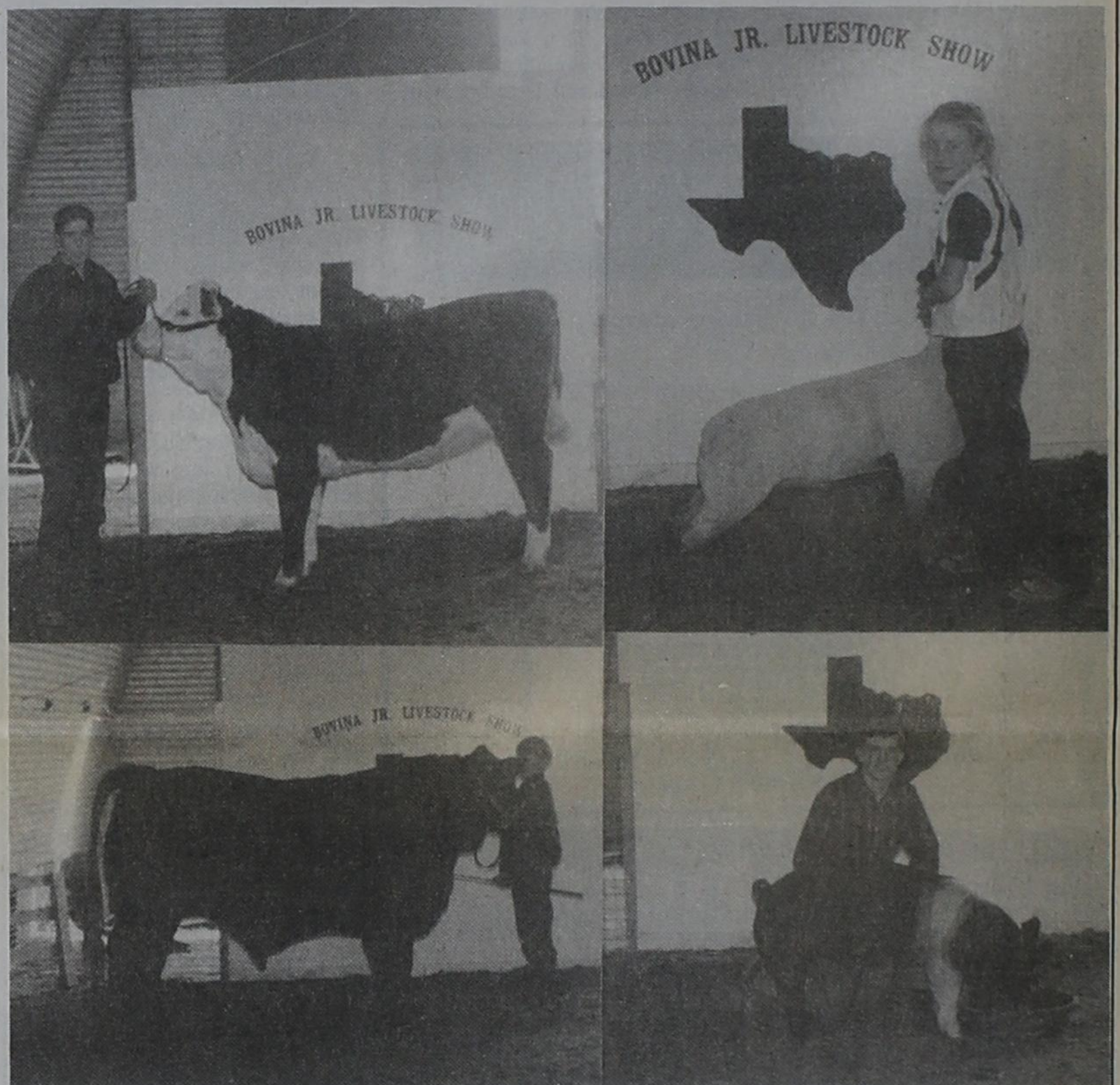
RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION HEIFER....Will Bell exhibited the Reserve Grand Champion Heifer at the 1996 Parmer County Junior Livestock Show after being selected second in his class.



TOP SHOWMEN....Tyson Kerby (left), a Bovina youngster, was named champion junior showman in the 1996 Parmer County Junior Livestock Show barrow division. J'Lond Jarecki of Friona was named reserve showman in that division.



KRYSTA COCKERHAM is shown here with her two lambs following competition in the 1996 Parmer County Junior Livestock Show. The lamb she is holding in the left photo won its class in the finewool division and was later named Breed Champion Finewool. Her Suffolk lamb in the right photo won its class at the show.



BOVINA SHOW CHAMPIONS....The Bovina Junior Livestock Show was held January 13. The top animals are shown above: (top left) Will Bell, Grand Champion Heifer; (top right) Krysta Cockerham, Grand Champion Lamb; (bottom left) Jake Steelman, Grand Champion Steer; and (bottom right) Jason Kerby, Grand Champion Barrow.

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