

## Bull Town Bulletins By Bill Ellis



OUR COUNTRY'S battle against terrorism, and particularly those elements commanded by Libyan leader Muammar Kaddafi resulted in a violent response early this week, as the air strike was carried out against Libya.

President Reagan pointed out that Kaddafi had been warned repeatedly to stop his program of stepped-up terrorist attacks. Also, America had pleaded with its allies to join in an economic embargo against Libya, as an alternative to the military action.

America's allies appear to have been more passive in their reaction to our country's battle against the terrorists, at least prior to the strike. Apparently many, including Japan, had refused to cooperate in the proposed economic embargo, which would have been preferable to the use of force. (Wonder if we should consider a year's embargo against Japan???)

The use of force is always regrettable, but as we detailed in this space last week, Libya has become a home base for international terrorism, with training bases well-established. And Americans have appeared to be the major targets of the world's terrorist attacks in recent years.

It's unfortunate, but force is the only language that some people understand. "They counted on us to be passive. They counted wrong," stated President Reagan in his speech Monday night.

We fear that given the fact that Kaddafi has been bent on provoking such an attack for the past several months, that Americans in that part of the world are likely to suffer and perhaps die as a result of Monday's mission.

While America's attack this week was carefully planned, and attempted to be limited to military installations, Kaddafi's reprisals are likely to be more reckless. As expected, the Libyans have called upon their friends to attack "Americans everywhere" to avenge this week's attack.

The next few days and weeks will be critical ones, as our leaders hope the terrorists will have been shown that their actions will not go unpunished.

But, as we also have noted, the Palestinians believe in an "eye for an eye," and although the attack was called 'self-defense' by the administration, America will be made out as an aggressor, and retaliation is to be expected.

Early reports told of civilian casualties in Monday's raid, which is unfortunate. But one needs to be reminded that the terrorists' main target has always been civilians, and in many instances helpless civilians at that, as in the instance of the hijacking of the pleasure ship Achille Lauro.

The bombing strike in Libya has made some sort of history. President Reagan went on television last week to warn about such an attack. Less than a week later, the attack was carried out, so it can hardly be labeled as a "sneak attack," as in the case of Japan at Pearl Harbor.

Secretary of State Shultz and Vice President Bush had been in the Middle East for a week or more prior to the mission. In retrospect, it must be assumed that they were preparing the leaders of Libya's neighbors for such an attack, so they would not be surprised and alienated by the attack.

WE HAD A QUESTION as to the spelling of 'Muammar Kaddafi.' That depends on who you're reading. The Associated Press spells the names one way, Newsweek spells them another, and Time, among others, gives the last name with a "G." Any way you spell it, I think it's bad news.

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PLAY CAST...Members of Bovina's One Act Play cast are: left to right, Todd Glasscock, Trisha Fox, Donell Garner, Terry Moore, Georgia Mancini and Dace Pruitt. Mrs. Durben teaches the drama class at Bovina High School.

## Sesquicentennial Ceremony Is Held

The Sanctioning Ceremony was held last Wednesday at the High School Auditorium and Bovina was named a Sesquicentennial City.

Zee Storey, commissioner in Austin, was supposed to have met with citizens and conducted the services, but he was unable to come due to a death in his family.

The Sesquicentennial flag will be presented at a later date.

Clark Williams, pastor of the First United Methodist Church, served as master of ceremonies.

The invocation was given by Richard Fox, minister at the Church of Christ. Presentation of flags was given by the Brownie Troop 202. The kindergarten through second graders sang the "Eyes of Texas" and "Texas, Our Texas" was presented by third graders through fifth graders. Grady Sorley sang "Let Freedom Ring" and Richard Fox, pastor of the First Baptist Church, gave the benediction.

Debra Beauchamp was chairman of the Bovina Sesquicentennial Committee and those who assisted her were: Tiny Chisom, Buck Ellison, Wally Feldman, Jonathan Gauntt, Karen Kirkpatrick, Terry Moore, Mindy Neal, Sue Nuttall, Marie Pesch, Sonny Roach, Grady Sorley, Richard Villarreal, Vernon Willard, Dendy Williams and Norma Whitten.

Refreshments of cookies and punch were served to visitors following the ceremony.



LET FREEDOM RING, sung by Grady Sorley, was a part of the program held Wednesday of last week as Bovina people gathered at the High School Auditorium to celebrate as Bovina was sanctioned as a Sesquicentennial City.



STYLE SHOW...Kasey Bell is shown as she appeared as a model in the style show Monday afternoon at the Methodist Church Fellowship Hall by members of Brownie Troop 202. Kasey's mom, Pam Bell is shown narrating the show.

## DISTRICT TRACK SET

# Girls Golfers Region-Bound

Bovina High School's girls golf team placed second in district to qualify for the regional tournament April 28-30 in Big Spring.

The girls' scores improved as they went along. The team shot a 412 Monday at Abernathy.

Marie Pesch was second in the race for medalist, with a score of 302. She shot an 88 on Monday, on only the third time for her to play a full 18 holes.

Other team members, and their latest scores, were Trisha Fox, 100; Donell Garner, 107 and Robbie Stowers, 112. Trisha placed fourth in the medalist race with a score of 310.

Abernathy girls placed first, and Hale Center third.

The boys golf team lacked just four strokes qualifying for the regional meet. On Monday, the team shot a score of 349, by far their best round of the year, but were only able to gain one stroke on second-place Olton.

Scores Monday were Bernard Koelzer 81; Matt Fox 85; Billy Scott Sudderth 86; and Scott Sudderth 97. Koelzer finished with a three-day score of 250, and third in the medalist race.

Bovina's second team placed fourth in the district race, beating Hale Center's first team. Those on the second unit were Todd Ware, Steve Gauntt, Jonathan Gauntt, Byron Neal, Denver Riddle and Blake Scaff.

This Saturday, the district track and field meet will be held at Abernathy for both the boys and girls' tracksters.

Coach Marks Lanham said that Mindy Neal, who suffered a minor back injury in her last meet, was back in form and ready to go.

Also, Terisa Shepherd, who has been slowed by a knee injury, is expected to be able to go. She was knocked out of the finals at the Dimmitt meet. Linda Duran, who has a back injury, will not be able to compete, though, according to Lanham.

Lanham took a few competitors to the Plains Invitational Meet last Saturday. Marie Pesch won the hurdles race and finished second in the shot put and discus events.

Rey Duran placed second in both the mile and two-mile races. Scott Scaff placed sixth in the hurdles.

## Local Students In UIL Meet

Five Bovina High School students qualified for the regional UIL contests in the district UIL events held last week.

Jonathan Gauntt will compete in ready writing, having placed third in that event at district.

Gabriel Mancini qualified in prose reading, also placing third in the district meet.

Anna Villarreal and Terry Moore will compete in accounting, having placed second and third, respectively, in the district UIL contests.

Kirk Scott will compete in editorial writing, after placing second at the district level.

Other BHS students placing in the district UIL events included Trisha Fox, fourth in prose reading and Vicente Munoz, fifth; Connie Winegeart and Kirk Scott, fifth and sixth in poetry interpretation.

Also, Marie Pesch, fourth in news writing; Linda Duran, sixth in editorial writing; Tamra Turner, fifth in spelling and Steve Gauntt, sixth in spelling.

Also, Scott Scaff, fourth in feature writing; Jonathan Gauntt, fourth in headline writing and Connie Winegeart, fifth and Donnell Garner, sixth, in headline writing.

Bovina High School's One Act Play, "Antic Spring," was the

## Absentee Vote Begins

Absentee voting for Parmer County Democratic and Republican primaries begins Monday, April 14, at the County Clerk's Office in the Courthouse, Farwell.

Voting times will be 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

There will be a representative of the clerks office in Friona on Thursday, April 17 and April 24, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Friona Texas Federal Credit Union, 203 West Sixth Street, for anyone in Friona wanting to vote absentee.

district winner and competed last Saturday in area competition at Petersburg.

Named to the honorable mention all-star cast were Todd Glasscock and Georgia Mancini.

Named to the all-star cast were Trisha Fox, Terry Moore and Dace Pruitt.



## PETE HERNANDEZ Hernandez Resigns As Chief

Pete Hernandez resigned as Chief of Police for the City of Bovina on April 8, after serving the Bovina area for one year and four months.

He will continue to live and work in Bovina.

While here, Pete was responsible for the Child Registry program, Neighborhood Crime Watch, and the Women's Defense Course. He worked with the school children and talked many times with them about drugs, their responsibilities to themselves and to their family and community.

Pete says he appreciates Bovina people and has enjoyed working on the Bovina Police Department.

## L.L. Players To Gather On Sat.

Youngsters who are interested in playing Little League baseball, and have not signed up, please be at the school Saturday, from 2-4 p.m. Even though they may have played last year, everyone still has to sign up for this year.

They are asked to bring their money for fees, \$10 for the first child in the family and \$5 for additional family members playing. They are also asked to bring their birth certificates and t-shirt sizes. If you have signed up recently and did not have your birth certificate, bring it on Saturday.

Due to conflicts this Saturday, try-outs will be May 3 at 2 p.m. If you have any questions, call Karen Kirkpatrick, Dottie Neal or Ella Jo Stormes.

# REFLECTIONS

....From The Bovina Blade

## 30 YEARS AGO--APRIL 11, 1956

Two new trustees were elected to the seven-man board of Bovina Independent School District Saturday at the American Legion Hall. Ovid Lawlis and A.C. Teter are the new members. Wendol Christian was re-elected.

Four district records were broken--two of them by Bovina tracksters--in the high school division of the District 3-B meet held here Saturday. Neil Smith, star vaulter for the Mustangs, beat his own record of 11 feet, to make the new record 11-8. Darrel Read, throwing the discus for Bovina, set a new mark with a toss of 128 feet, seven inches.

Cub Scouts of Den Three built simple camping equipment at the home of Den Mother, Mrs. W.H. Downing. Attending were Bill Charles, Billy Lynn Marshall, David Anderson, Lynn Downing, Dale Whitesides, Richard Carson and Kenneth Connelly.

## 25 YEARS AGO--APRIL 12, 1961

Construction on Parmer County's new State Highway Department building is nearing completion. Maintenance Foreman Lloyd Killough says the department will possibly begin moving some things this week. The building is located on Highway 86 in Bovina.

Bovina students won four first places in District 3-B literary events Thursday at Lazbuddie. Picking up blue ribbons were Vicki Hawkins, Lee Terry, Margie Carter and Wyndol Davies.

Four Mustang tracksters qualified for the regional track meet in Lubbock April 21-22 by winning first or second places in their events. Roger Ezell won first places in both shot put and discus and was Bovina's top point winner with 20. Don Caldwell picked up the other first place for Bovina in the mile run. Joining them at regional will be John Sikes, second in the shot put, and Olen Johnston, second in the 880-yard run.

## 20 YEARS AGO--APRIL 13, 1966

Congressman Walter Rogers will deliver the main address at dedication ceremonies for Bovina's new post office building Saturday afternoon in addition to giving the address, Congressman Rogers will present a United States

flag which has flown over the nation's capitol for use by the post office here.

Bovina High's golf team has earned the right to compete in the regional high school golf tournament in Lubbock April 22. Playing in the district tournament last week at Littlefield, the team placed second behind Amherst. Team members are Tommy Spears, Bill Caldwell, Larry Mitchell, Johnnie Horn and Mike Grissom.

Billy Sudderth's dirt moving crews uncovered a large bone on the farm of Glenden Sudderth last week. The bone is believed to be part of a skeleton of a pre-historic mastadon. The 28-inch long bone was uncovered some 10 feet below the surface. Rib bones have been discovered nearby which are as much as 30 inches long.

## 15 YEARS AGO--APRIL 14, 1971

Discussion of a new athletic track for Bovina Schools highlighted a meeting of Bovina Mustang Booster Club Tuesday night. The school presently owns land across West Eighth Street from the main school property and north of Ridgelea Elementary School that is now being used for a track and is the proposed site of a new track.

Sandra Bowman won the singles championship in District 3-A tennis competition Thursday at Kress. Miss Bowman advances to the regional event in Lubbock April 23-24.

## 10 YEARS AGO--APRIL 14, 1976

Epifano Cruz, 48, an employee of Leon Grissom of Bovina, was killed in a freak accident involving a feed mix truck about 7:30 a.m. Thursday at Grissom's farm south of Bovina.

Following an annual dinner honoring members of the school board and their wives Monday night, Edwin Lide and Leroy Mayfield signed oaths of office, officially beginning their three year terms.

City Marshal Mike Reilly submitted his resignation in a letter presented to the city council Thursday night. Reilly, who was hired as marshal in May of 1975, plans to continue in that position until the end of May, however, he indicated to the council that he would remain here until a replacement is found.

## 5 YEARS AGO--APRIL 15, 1981

Billy Lynn Marshall was among the state and national winners in the 1980 "Golden Yields" competition, named by Golden Harvest Seeds, Inc. Marshall was Texas state champion for an entry of 224.7 Bu/A with the Golden Harvest variety H-2500.

The Board of Aldermen for the City of Bovina met April 9, and installed aldermen O'Hair, Barron, Charles, Gober, Hastings and Mayor Lusk, and the new aldermen installed were Larry Scott and Dudley Hughes.

The strange red glow which was seen in the sky above the Northern Texas Panhandle last Sunday night was a reflection of the Northern Lights according to an FAA spokesman.

UIL Regional qualifiers this year were Bovina High School students Catherine Koelzer, Darla Morris, Laurie Miller, Angela Reyes and Pam Spring.

## Defensive Driving Class Set In Friona

Parmer County residents can earn a 10 per cent discount on automobile insurance which is good for three years. The Parmer County Extension Service is sponsoring this eight-hour course in Friona at the Friona State Bank on Monday and Tuesday, April 28 and 29. It will be held for four hours each evening from 6-10 p.m. Participants must attend all eight hours to receive the 10 per cent insurance discount.

Pre-registration of \$4.00 is due in the Extension Office of the County Courthouse in Farwell by Wednesday, April 23. This may be sent to Janette Pierce-CEA, P.O. Box 285, Farwell, TX 79325. If you have questions, call 481-3619. There must be 25 people registered for the class to be conducted by the Texas Department of Public Safety.

Educational programs conducted by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, handicap or national origin.

## Study Club Met April 10

The Bovina Woman's Study Club met Thursday, April 10 at the First State Bank Community Room.

The program was "Texas Heritage" and Thelma Barron gave some of the history and background of Texas. Alma Clayton spoke about the seven flags Texas has survived under and showed the flags which had flown over Texas.

Hostesses, Carlene Jones and Obreta Sudderth, served refreshments of pie and coffee to several members: Rosa Roberts, Doris Lawlis, Lee Stevenson, Thelma Barron, Yvonne Stevenson, Allene Russell and Irma Nabors.

The next meeting will be May 8 at the First United Methodist Church where the ladies will attend a luncheon.

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## Puppet Show Set In Clovis

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The Las Cruces High School Fairy Tale Puppeteers was organized from the LCHS drama classes in 1980 to perform live drama for the children in the area elementary schools. The troupe has just completed its 13th tour.

The group performs as if they were puppets, usually performing in a miniature stage or behind a screen. The troupe also sings and dances, and there is much audience participation.

Although geared primarily for children up to ten, children of all ages enjoy the plays. It offers enjoyment and entertainment to adults as well, but the main enjoyment comes from watching the children become involved in the plays.

This will be the troupe's third tour to Clovis to perform in the great Lyceum Theatre.

The troupe will be performing at the Lyceum Theatre on April 19 at 2, 4 and 7 p.m. (M.S.T.) All seats are \$1.00.



**FASHION SHOW PARTICIPANTS....**These five Parmer County 4-H members competed in the South Plains 4-H Fashion Show April 5 in Lubbock. In the back row (l-r) are Brandy Ray and Jennifer Cass, both Friona 4-H Club members. In the front row are Robin Foster, Oklahoma Lane 4-H Club; Darla Stormes, Bovina 4-H; and Chesley Ray, Friona 4-H.

## 4-H Fashion Show Winners Announced

The South Plains 4-H Fashion Show, "Puttin' On The Ritz," was held Saturday, April 5 at Texas Tech University.

One-hundred, twenty-three 4-H members from across the twenty county district participated. Those entering had won top honors in their county contests, enabling them to advance to district competition.

Members were divided into three age divisions including four categories each, according to the type of garment. The Cotton

Award was also given to the contestant in each category with the highest score whose garment was made of at least 50 per cent cotton.

Winners from Parmer County were as follows: Junior 1 division, age 9-11--Darla Stormes of Bovina won third place in non-tailored daywear; first place and the Cotton Award were won by Jennifer Cass of Rhea in the Junior 2 age division, ages 12 and 13 in tailored daywear.

Other participants who received recognition awards were Brandy and Chesley Ray of Friona 4-H and Robin Foster of Oklahoma Lane 4-H.



## Police Report

Tickets issued during the week included: four warning tickets for speeding, one for disturbing the peace and one for failure to stop. Three tickets were issued for speeding, one for running a stop sign, one for consuming alcohol, one for no insurance and two for not having driver's licenses.

A \$25 reward has been offered for information leading to conviction of suspects who are responsible for damages to a police car belonging to County Deputy Sheriff Pat Howard.

Almaraz Antonio was arrested for DWI, and Louis Franco was arrested on capios profine.

Chief of Police Pete Hernandez presented a program on drugs at the Bovina High School on Monday of last week for students in third through fifth grades.

## Hospital Report

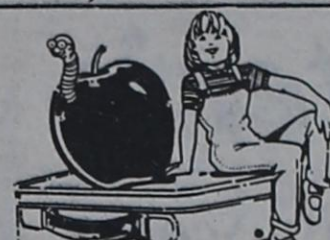
**ADMISSIONS--**  
Martha Schueler, Friona; Ernest Woelfel, Bovina; Jean Wilkins, Farwell; Juan Chico, Friona; Evangelina Tirado, Friona; Irene Anthony, Friona; Edna Love, Friona; and O.C. Rhodes, Friona.

**DISMISSALS--**  
Ernest Woelfel, Jean Ann Wilkins, Martha Schueler, Juan Chico, Margarita Gonzales and Evangelina Tirado.

**PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL--**  
Viola Buske, Clara Renner, Elva Matlock, Irene Anthony, O.C. Rhodes and Edna Love.

## School Corner

By BOB OWEN



There has been a great deal of discussion lately concerning the permanent school fund, which is controlled by the county Commissioner's Court. I feel that there are some facts that need to be brought out in regard to this fund.

The principal of this fund is earmarked for capital improvements and/or bonded debt. Regardless of who controls the fund, it cannot be used for any other expenses. The interest from the fund may be used for operational expenses, but at the present time, Bovina ISD's share of that interest represents about 1 per cent of the total budget.

The sources for the estimated revenues for the 1985-86 district budget are:

A. Local sources--29 per cent (this includes local taxes, food service collections and sale of used equipment).

B. State sources--60 per cent.

C. Federal sources--10 per cent.

D. County available--1 per cent.

Bovina ISD is presently needing to replace a 31 year old roof, and between now and 1988 will need additional classrooms to comply with the HB72 mandate of one teacher to each 22 students through grade four. If the district provides local funds for these improvements, then the county

money becomes available, this will not help us because the county fund can only be used for capital improvement. The local dollars that are spent for these improvements are tax dollars. The Board of Trustees is concerned about holding the tax rate as low as possible and still provide accredited and quality education to the student population of Bovina.

The School Board of every school in the county have met with the commissioners to request disposition of these funds. To date these requests have gone unheeded. These funds were set aside for the schools in Parmer County, but apparently only at the whim of our Commissioner's Court. The disposition of these funds could help county school boards keep tax rates lower.

The Bovina Board has requested to be placed on the agenda of the court this month. Please contact Judge Roberts and/or your commissioner and express your opinion regarding this matter. This is a controversial issue, and I realize that some are opposed to splitting up the fund. Everybody has a right to their opinion, but I believe that it is time to compare notes as to how many are for, and how many are against.

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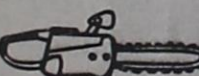
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# Scooter's Scoops

By Scooter Russell

Pete Hernandez has resigned as Chief of Police and we want to express our appreciation, along with many others, for the good job he has done for Bovina during the past year and a half. Pete was responsible for carrying out the Neighborhood Crime Watch programs, Child Registry, Women's Defense Course, and

## Yogurt Coated Snacks Are Just Candy

Consumers may be buying yogurt coated raisins and nuts under the misimpression that they are "health" snacks, says a Texas A&M University Agricultural Extension Service (TAEX) specialist.

Nutritionist Marilyn Haggard says the yogurt coating used in these snacks usually has sugar as its major ingredient. The other ingredients include partially hydrogenated vegetable oil, which may contain saturated coconut or palm oil, non-fat milk solids, non-fat yogurt solids, whey and artificial color and flavor.

She says that many people believe that they'll get the benefit of yogurt's protein, calcium and riboflavin from these snack foods.

But a .9 ounce serving of yogurt raisins provides only 2 per cent of the recommended dietary allowance (RDA) for calcium, less than 2 per cent of the RDA for riboflavin, and one gram of protein.

These products should be considered in the same category as candy-coated nuts or raisins, says Haggard.

For a real high-nutrition snack, the TAEX nutritionist recommends putting some raisins in a cup of plain yogurt and adding a non-nutritive sweetener to taste.

many films that were made available for public use at City Hall. Pete spoke many times to the youngsters about drugs and presented programs at their schools. A lot of youngsters think of him as a "best friend." We just want to say, thanks Pete, we wish you well, in whatever you decide to do.

Elmer Patton was released Wednesday of last week following surgery in the Clovis High Plains Hospital. He is Juanda Murphy's dad and during this time, her two brothers, Howard and Dwain came for a few days to be with the family.

Bobbie and Chester Haney have a guest in their home this week, their granddaughter Amber of Muleshoe. Her parents are Dwain and Pam Haney.

Eugene and Molly Griffin were in Amarillo Saturday visiting with their daughter Carol and her family. When they came home their granddaughter Amber came home with them and spent the night. On Sunday, Eugene's brother Billy and his wife Mary Jo of Canyon were in Bovina visiting the family.

Buck and Freda Lloyd went weekend before last to Tyler and visited with Freda's two sisters and four brothers and their families. When they came back to Bovina, Freda's sister Mae came with them and will be visiting for about a month. Freda said they were enjoying a good visit.

Mary Richards was hospitalized in an Amarillo hospital for several days following surgery. She was released and her condition has improved.

Ernest Woefel drove himself to Parmer County Community

Hospital in Friona last week where he stayed for a day before going to Clovis for tests and then sent on to Amarillo's St. Anthony's where he remains a patient.

Janie Beauchamp was hospitalized last Thursday at a Lubbock hospital. She was released Sunday.

Gene Scott, Larry Scott, and Jim Russell returned home Monday night from turkey hunting in the Abilene area. They had a good time and a successful hunt. They went to Abilene last Friday.

Anna Heflin spent a few days in a Lubbock hospital suffering from bleeding ulcers. She is home and her condition has improved.

Donna Beth Draper and daughters, April and Angela, came from Alamogordo Sunday morning and spent several days with Donna Beth's parents, Edwin and Esta Lee Lide. The family attended church together on Sunday.

## System To Help Trees In Storms

Lightning is often a companion of Texas thunderstorms, and it can be a deadly force to people, animals, trees and other property.

One of the main targets of lightning is tall or isolated trees, and certain devices are available to protect these trees, points out Lanny Dreesen, forester with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

"These systems protect not only the trees but also people, animals and buildings around trees," says Dreesen. "The systems work on the same principle as a lightning rod by providing a path of least resistance for a lightning bolt to follow. A metal conductor grounds the electrical current into the earth where it is safely dispersed."

Cost of establishing such a system is quite expensive, notes the forester, since expertise is required to properly install it without undue damage to the tree. Certain firms specialize in lightning protection, and local county Extension agents may be able to provide information on these.

"Trees that should be considered for lightning protection are the tallest ones in a given area and those that are within 10 feet of a building," says Dreesen. "Also, certain trees in parks and those of historical interest should be protected."

In addition to destroying trees, lightning kills thousands of animals each year. Also, 1,500 to 2,500 people are either killed or injured annually from lightning, Dreesen points out, referring to figures from the Lightning Protection Institute.

Lightning also is responsible for more than 30,000 fires in the United States each year.

Jana Barrett enjoyed some time with her twin sister, Jean Severs, who came from Louisville, Kentucky, with her children, Jessica and Eric. They spent several days before returning home.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Stormes came to Bovina last Friday from El Reno, Oklahoma and spent a few days visiting with their son, Sam and his family.

**HOUSEHOLD HINT:** Look out "gourmet" popcorn! Those "gourmet" popcorn ads always claim that one of their advantages is that they get "all" the kernels to pop. Well, here's a little secret that'll get your less expensive brand to pop more kernels, too. Keep the kernels cold in your refrigerator until just before you're ready to throw them into the hot oil. You eliminate almost all the unpopped kernels.

Have a great week and we appreciate your calls and articles brought by the office...Scooter.

## On The Farm

By GARY PATTERSON

Wheat leaf rust disease is posing another severe threat to the Texas wheat crop, so farmers will need to keep a close check on their fields and take action if the situation warrants.

Leaf rust could be even more severe this year than in 1985 because spore populations in central parts of Texas are heavier than they were last year, points out Gary Patterson, county agent with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

Several races of the leaf rust fungus are occurring, and most wheat varieties have some damage, Patterson explains. Certain varieties have heavy infections and could suffer severe yield reductions.

Producers must base their decision to control leaf rust on their crops yield potential, says Patterson. The greatest benefit is likely when the yield potential is 40 bushels or more per acre. With a yield potential of 60 bushels or more per acre, two applications may be justified.

Studies have shown that leaf rust control is most effective when a fungicide is applied just as the flag leaf is starting to emerge. The flag leaf is the last leaf formed before the grain head is exerted, explains Patterson. If a second application is warranted, it should be applied 10 to 14 days after the first. Use 3-5 gallons of water per acre for air applications to insure good coverage.

Because of the high cost of a fungicide treatment, growers should be sure that such things as the stand of the crop, fertility level and moisture availability are not major limiting factors. Unless the yield potential is good, control will likely not be cost-effective, emphasizes Patterson.

## State Bills Increase In March

State Comptroller Bob Bullock Wednesday said that checks written to pay the state's bills for the month of March ran 15 per cent more than the bills had averaged in the previous six months.

March was the first full month that state agencies were under Governor Mark White's executive order to cut spending.

Bullock's bill-paying report also showed that the number of state employees increased by 889 in March—from 186,632 to 187,521.

"This is strictly a bookkeeper's report," Bullock said of the figures.

"The agencies sent us their bills and we wrote the checks. The figures mean nothing more and nothing less."

In March, Bullock's office wrote \$1.6 billion worth of checks, up \$217 million from the monthly average from September through February.

Bullock pointed out that the 15 per cent increase would have been cut back to about three per cent except for unusually large payments to Texas public schools.

"Maybe next month the total will be less, maybe it will be more. That's what this monitoring is all about," Bullock said.

Bullock will issue a monthly report on state spending until the Legislature meets.

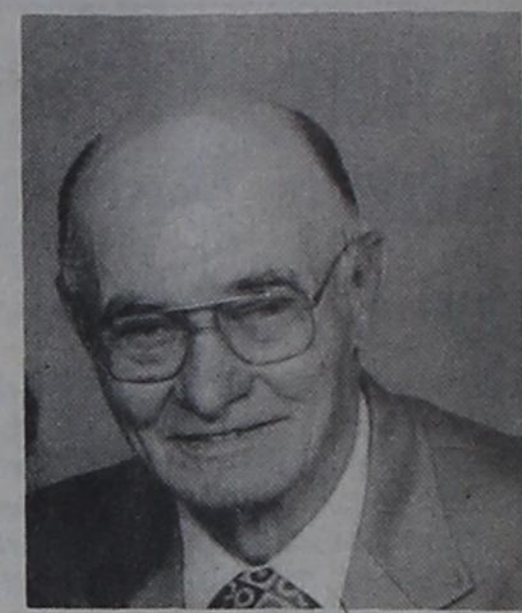
## Homemakers Met April 8

The Bovina Extension Homemakers Club met April 8 at the home of Mary Treinen.

Jana Barrett and Denise Anderson presented the program on "Create the Look You Like With Color." There were six members and one visitor present at the meeting.

The next meeting will be held May 13 at the First State Bank Community Room and Kay Roach, owner of Kay's Workshop, will present the program on staining glass.

Everyone is invited who would be interested in staining glass and meeting with the group.



OSCAR BAXTER

## O. Baxter Rites Set Wednesday

Funeral services for Oscar William Baxter, 70, of Friona, will be held Wednesday, April 16, at 2:30 p.m. in the Sixth Street Church of Christ with Truman Teal of Dill City, Oklahoma and Leland Hutson of the Tenth Street Church of Christ, officiating.

Burial will be in the Friona Cemetery under the direction of Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home of Friona.

Born February 1, 1916 in Elk City, Oklahoma, he married Opal Libby October 9, 1937 in Sayre, Oklahoma. They moved to Friona February, 1942 and he was owner of Friona Motors until his retirement in 1978. Baxter was a member of the Tenth Street Church of Christ, where he served as an Elder. He was a member of the Avion Club, a travel club. He died Monday, April 14, at a Mangum, Oklahoma hospital.

Survivors include his wife, Opal Baxter of the home in Friona; one son, John Baxter of Friona; three daughters, Gladys Young of Hobbs, New Mexico, Carolyn Pipes of Friona, and Willene Grundy, New Caney; four sisters, Elsie Burnam of San Berniddo, California, Iva Marshall of Altus, Oklahoma, Vida Duff of El Paso, and Ruby Polfus of Watsonville, California; 15 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were grandsons, Denny Young, Farron Young, Boyd Pipes, Jr., Tim Grundy, David Behrendsen, J.D. Spencer, Jr., Roger Head and Corben Baxter.



**BIRTHDAY HONOREE...**Maurine Bell was honored on her birthday at the Senior Citizens Building on Wednesday of last week. About thirty guests were present and decorations included the Easter theme. The group enjoyed games in the afternoon and a time of visiting.

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# Sesquicentennial Notes



**By NORMA WHITTEN**  
**Member Of The Bovina**  
**Sesquicentennial Committee**  
 (The committee has been told of one correction in last week's article about Bovina Schools. Regarding the first school house built in Bovina--an adobe building built in 1905, it was stated: "Forty-five years later it was being used as a Catholic Church." This committee was told it was being used as a Spanish school rather than as a Catholic Church.)

Continuing the history of Bovina Schools from research done by Mrs. W.O. Cherry for a Master's Thesis:

"In 1925, Mr. Ross Buckner became superintendent and was retained for the year 1926-27. During the school year of 1927-28 Bovina petitioned the county school board to be made an independent district. The county board composed of C.M. Pressley, C.F. Hastings, and W.W. Hall, acted favorably on September 20, 1927. The commissioners' court approved the action in October, 1927.

The Parmer County school board met on October 17, 1927, at Farwell to canvass the first election returns of Bovina Independent School District. The men who were elected were Jack Carr, Wilbur Charles, W.C. Crowell, M.J. Inman, and W.E. Hastings.

An election to vote bonds for a new school building was held on

December 31, 1927, after a bitter campaign between the pros and cons on the proposition. When the votes were counted, 67 men voted for the issue while 60 voted against it. The bonds were issued in the amount of \$50,000 and were to mature over a 40-year period with interest at the rate of 5 1/2 per cent. The petition for the election was headed by W.L. Venable.

The site for the school had not been bought at the time the bonds were voted, and since the XIT, or Capital Freehold Land & Trust Company still owned the desired site, a deal was made whereby the company sold the lots to the district with a reversion clause in the deed which stipulated that should the site cease to be used for public school purposes, the title to the same would revert to the company.

The architects employed to plan the new building were Peters, Haynes, and Strange.

In February, 1928, more school revenue was needed and property valuations were doubled. On March 25, Mr. Wallace of Clovis was given a tentative agreement for construction subject to some revision of the plans. Actual construction was begun in April with Wallace. Barry Hardware of Clovis received the plumbing contract including steam heat at a price of \$7,345.

The new school district faced the problem of setting up a system of

assessing and collecting taxes. The board decided to take bids for the job. J.S. Potts got the job and retained it, with one slight interruption, until about 1944.

The district had been operating transportation systems of one type or another for several years, and in 1928, the school board laid out the proposed routes and asked for bidders to operate the school "trucks." D.C. Vassey was given the west route at a price of \$100. He used a closed car. Wilbur Charles was employed for the east route, and Rush Looney was to run the south route. Looney and Charles received \$120 each.

When Buckner left in 1928, the board assumed responsibility for selecting the faculty. J.O. Baker was elected superintendent. He and his wife got \$300 a month between them. The school had eight teachers. One hundred ninety-one children were enrolled, and typewriting was introduced in high school. Other courses offered were laboratory science, home-making, and manual training. Six students graduated from the 11th grade.

A janitor was hired in August, 1928 and "Mr. Bob," as Mr. R.N. Williford was called by everyone, kept that job for twenty years until poor health forced his retirement.

On September 17, 1928, the new \$50,000 school was opened after being formally accepted by the board.

During 1928 the Mexican children were admitted to the "white school." The final accomplishment of the school year 1928-29 was the addition of District 16 to the Bovina School District.

Mr. and Mrs. Baker resigned in the spring of 1929 and Mr. and Mrs. D.C. Arthur were hired at a salary of \$275 for nine months. Miss Mary Brookfield (later Mrs. Earl Richards) began her tenure at Bovina in 1929.

In August, 1929, the board purchased a larger water tank for the school water supply in order to better accommodate the new indoor toilets.

Bus drivers employed for the year were Rush Looney, Wilbur Charles, and E.F. Grayson. They received an average of \$11.50 per month.

The new gymnasium-auditorium was a dream come true for the basketball teams, but forced new

board policy action concerning its use for non-school activities. For a time outsiders were required to pay a small fee for use of the building, have a responsible manager on hand, and pay a fee to the janitor who would be present to look after things. Eventually, the matter of gym use was left to the superintendent.

Several families who resided in District No. 4 on farms adjacent to the west boundary of Bovina district, petitioned the county board to cut five square miles of the land, on which they lived, into Bovina district. The county board made the transfer and at the same time attached some 25 square miles composing District No. 16 adjacent to the north boundary of Bovina, to Bovina district. Eventually, the school building from No. 16 was moved to Bovina and made into a school shop. The county school board at the time was composed of J.D. Hamlin, President, Fred Barker, N.E. Wines, Floyd Reeves, and "Bill" Shirley. The County Judge and Ex-officio County Superintendent was John Aldridge.

Arthur was replaced in 1930 by J. Irvin Warren whose one year contract was set at \$225 per month. Teachers were to be employed only on Warren's recommendation. That year the old coal burner furnace at the school was replaced with a gas burner. Feeling the pinch of the depression the board decided to run buses only to the district lines.

(To be continued in next week's issue of *The Bovina Blade*.)

## School Lunch Menu

- WEEK OF APRIL 21-25**
- MONDAY**--In-service day.
- TUESDAY**--Burritos with chili and cheese, tossed salad, corn, pear halves, crackers and milk.
- WEDNESDAY**--Barbecue, mixed vegetables, creamed potatoes, cornbread, mixed fruit and milk.
- THURSDAY**--Nachos, red beans, lettuce and tomato salad, peach cobbler and milk.
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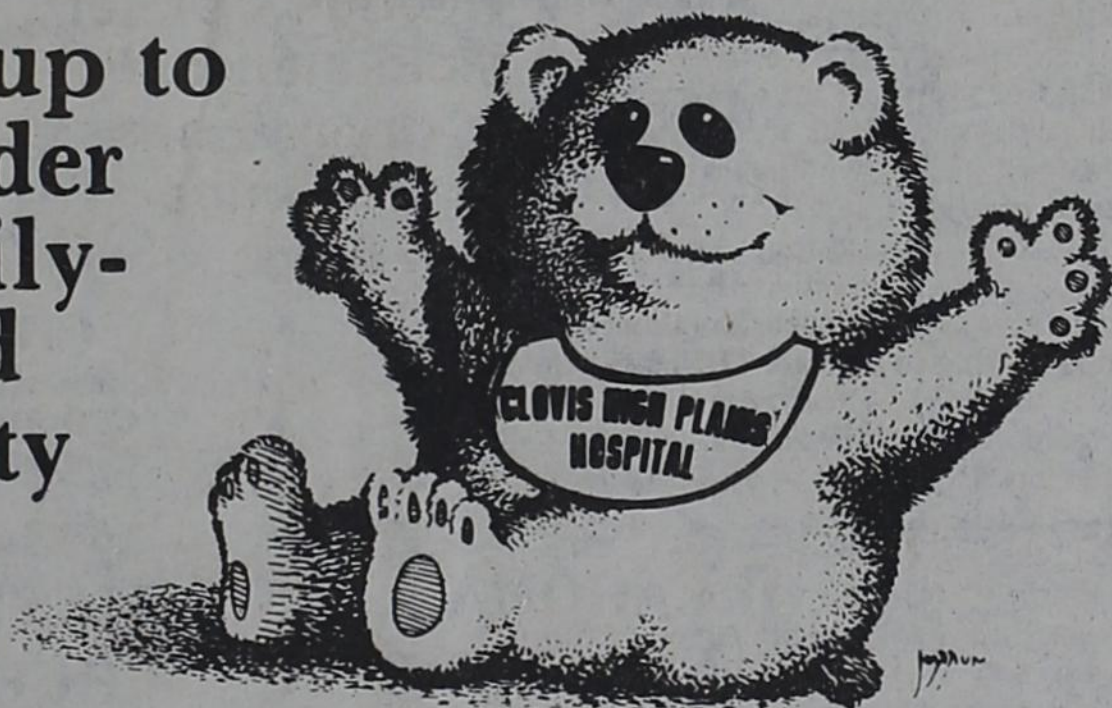
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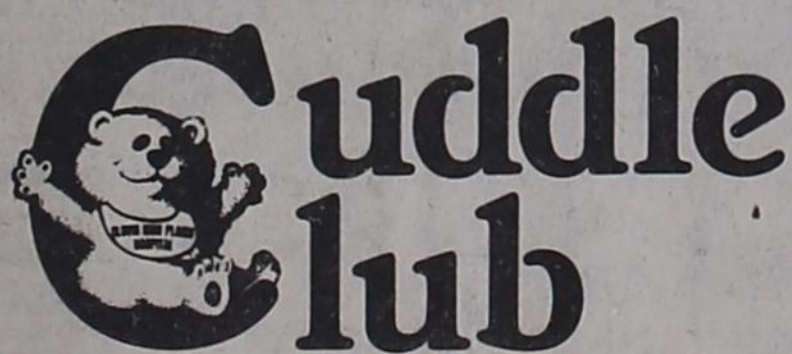
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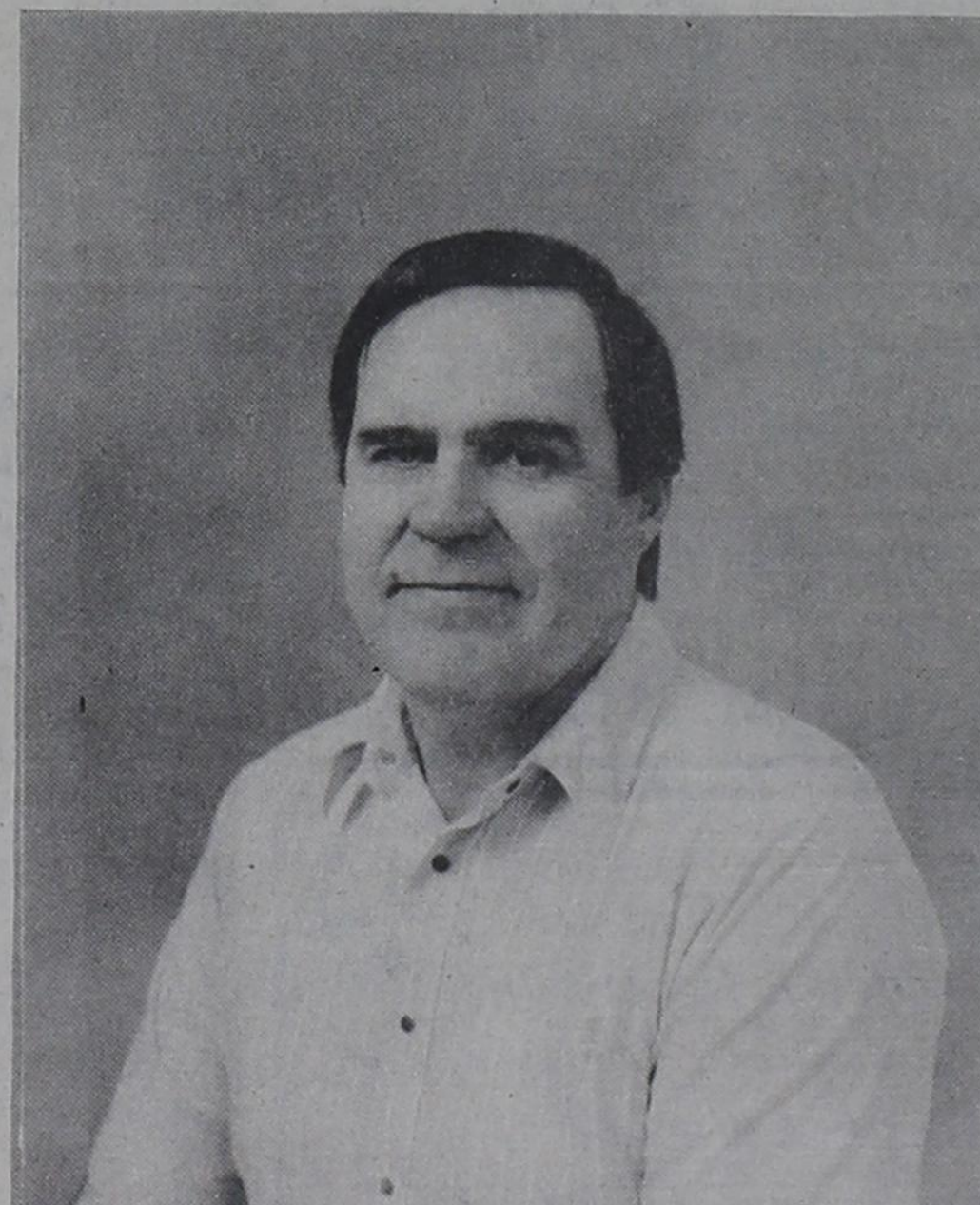
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**Political Calendar**

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- COUNTY JUDGE  
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- DISTRICT CLERK  
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- DISTRICT CLERK  
Marjorie Watkins (re-election)
- COUNTY CLERK  
Bonnie Warren (re-election)
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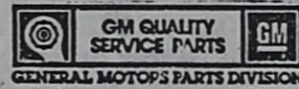
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Morning Worship-11 a.m.

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