

## AT CHAMBER BANQUET



BY BILL ELLIS

**IF RONALD REAGAN** loses out on the nomination for president, he can thank the nation's liberal press, which includes radio and television interviewers, for throwing a big damper on his candidacy, beginning with the New Hampshire primary.

All the TV boys did was take some points Reagan had been making in his speeches—points which are agreed upon by most conservative-minded political observers, and make the ex-actor sound downright un-American in their handling of the interviews.

Reagan, in some recent speeches, had spoken out in favor of reducing taxes—surely a position 99 per cent of the American populace can agree with between now and April 15.

The former California governor was proposing to return to state and local governments the right to tax the citizenry for certain services. This idea of having a closer tie with the governmental agency that is levying the taxes is one that most taxpayers should be able to support.

But the TV people jumped right in the middle of Reagan, demanding which federal services he proposed to cut out, to correspond with the taxes he planned to cut. It wasn't so much that the GOP candidate plans to cut out any services, but the network boys made him look like a regular Benedict Arnold for so much as implying that he would cut down on money "coming from Washington."

When are the American people going to learn that the money which Washington sends for the various programs doesn't come from some big Sugar Daddy on the Potomac, but is in reality their own tax money, after it has been watered down, and a generous cut taken out for administrative purposes!

There has never been an argument against the fact that government closer to the people can take care of the local needs, at a lot lower price, and save the taxpayers money in the process.

What the networks apparently did to Reagan and his tax reform platform was to stir up some angry reaction from the voters, a reaction that was born of greed, and was short-sighted at the very best.

A certain segment of America apparently still has the idea that from big government we somehow will get "something for nothing." This just isn't so. There always has to be a day of reckoning. (In most cases, it is the aforementioned April 15).

What Reagan has been trying to propose is a better balance between the state and federal governments, an idea that used to be very popular, especially in the Southern area.

His philosophy, and we can't find too much fault with it, is that Americans should have a little concern with doing something about their own retirement, rather than expecting to live off Social Security.

Also, they should expect to provide a little financial help to their own aging parents. These two ideas should not bring on a state of panic or fear to the average American—after all, it's the stuff our country was founded upon some 200 years ago.

But, it has been pointed out that the general populace, which formerly was much in favor of a cut in taxes, and a cutdown in "big government," must be changing its thinking. And the results of the four state primaries to this point make you wonder if this is not so.

For one thing, one out of every six Americans is employed by some branch of the Federal government. Hence, they aren't in favor of curtailing the trend toward a bureaucratic state. In addition, one out of every seven people is receiving social security. They are afraid to be in favor of a tax cut.

Then, there are those (one out of seven) who require hospitalization during the year, that eventually leads to some degree of govern-

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# St-Stu-Stutterin' Sam Wows Crowd



**TOP CITIZENS...** Highlighting the 16th Annual Bovina Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture Banquet Thursday night in Bovina Schools cafeteria was the announcement that Mrs. Joe (Sue) Fowler, left, and the late Johnnie Horn had been selected as the 1976 "Woman and Man of the Year." Mrs. Mina Horn, right, accepted the plaque for her late husband. The presentations were made by Mrs. Robert Read, last year's woman of the year, and Kenneth Cary, incoming chamber president.

It was a case of "Guess Who Came to Dinner" at the 16th annual Bovina Chamber of Commerce banquet Thursday night at the School Cafeteria in Bovina.

Cecil "Stutterin' Sam" Hunter, who was coaxed up to the microphone to "fill in" until the scheduled banquet speaker arrived, stammered and hem-hawed until most of the crowd of 300 had decided he wasn't just a casual drop-in at the banquet.

Originally from Amarillo, where he got his start in radio on the old Cal Farley show, Hunter had the crowd in stitches as he attempted to explain an imaginary "refinery" that he planned to build between Bovina and Friona, as an answer to the energy problem.

Hunter also took some light-hearted pokes at the country's heritage, politicians and anything else held dear. In his rare moments of seriousness, he managed to praise the United States for developing the only free enterprise system that has lasted 200 years under the same constitution.

Hunter, reluctantly coming to the speaker's stand, began his off-the-cuff remarks by saying: "Mr. Gentlemen, 'er Mrs. Chairman, Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen....It feels to me....I mean it gives me a great feeling...er its....er I feel, its a great...pleasure for me to feel....I mean to be here."

"This is the greatest area in the

world. We have thrived on the type of government our forefathers originated. Now, we must not let someone take it away from us.

"This is the breadbasket of the world. You farmers in this area can out-produce all of Russia," the speaker managed to utter, in between stammers.

The cafeteria was decorated in a bicentennial theme, featuring large outlines of the United States edged in blue with drawings of the Great Seal of the United States, "God Bless America," "Pride in Bovina Begins With Me," "Spirit of '76," flags of the United States, Betsy Ross making the flag, the Statue of Liberty and other bicentennial figures. The Bovina bicentennial banner was behind the head table. Tables were covered with white cloths and adorned with blue tapers and pots of red geraniums. Bicentennial placemats completed the table settings.

Prior to Hunter's speech, Grady Sorley gave the invocation, Billy Whitecotton introduced out-of-town guests and Mrs. Karen Kirkpatrick introduced chamber directors and officers.

Guests were introduced from Friona, Lubbock, Hereford, Amarillo, Muleshoe, Farwell, Clovis, Colorado Springs, Colo., and Pueblo, Colo.

New officers include Kenneth Cary, president; Steve Sherrill, vice president; and Mrs. Sue Naegle, secretary. Mrs. Jane

Kassahn serves as chamber manager. New directors introduced to the crowd included Sherrill, Gaylon Rhodes, Dickie Clayton and Oakley Stevenson. Hold-over directors are Cary, Mrs. Naegle, Lowell Booser, Mrs. Pearl Cervantez, L.J. Jameson, George Powell, Larry Webb, J.T. Hammonds and Mrs. Norma Whitten.

Mrs. Mac Glasscock provided dinner music while guests dined on charcoal broiled rib-eye steaks, prepared by Jameson, Don Murphy, Jay Sherrill, Hopingardner and Woodrow Wright. FHA members served as waitresses. Hammonds offered the benediction.

Tammy Christian, "Miss Bovina 1975," was introduced to the crowd.

In a special presentation, Glenden Sudderth was announced as winner of the goat raffled off by chamber directors. Sudderth was not present to claim his "prize."

Mrs. Kirkpatrick was presented a plaque for service to the chamber as the 1975 president.

Climax of the evening was presentation of awards to Bovina's Man and Woman of the Year and the Outstanding Boy and Girl in Bovina High School.

Mrs. Joe (Sue) Fowler was recognized as the outstanding woman of the year with the late Johnnie Horn honored as man of the year. Cathie Trimble and Alan Rhodes received the outstanding girl and boy awards.

## THURSDAY

# School Board Meeting Set

The board of trustees of Bovina Independent School District will meet at 7:30 p.m. tomorrow (Thursday) in the board room at Ridgelea Schools.

The following items are on the agenda:

Reading the minutes of the previous meeting;

A closed executive session as authorized by Article 6252-17 Revised Civil Statutes of Texas-Section 2 (g). This session will include consideration of employment of teachers, coaches and teacher aides for the 1976-77 school year;

Discuss and adopt a policy on traffic control at the school campuses prior, during and after school hours;

A discussion of regularly scheduled meetings;

# Absentee Balloting Ends Tues.

Absentee voting in city and school elections, which began Monday of last week, will continue through Tuesday.

Absentee ballots may be cast at the city hall in the city election and at the school tax office at Ridgelea Elementary School in the school board election.

Four candidates are seeking two positions in each election with incumbent Mayor Tom Bonds unopposed in his bid for re-election.

Candidates in the school race are Jimmie Cockerham, Tom Ware, Leroy Mayfield and Edwin Lide, who is seeking re-election.

Seeking seats on the city council are Vernon Estes, Stan Klimek and incumbents Dickie Clayton and Bedford Caldwell.

City and school elections are set for Saturday, April 3.

A discussion of annual inventory of equipment and supplies;

A discussion of public relations;

An alternate proposal to giving zeros for work missed, when a student is expelled from school;

A proposal to keep the school board informed of all expulsions of students;

A proposal to have the agenda reflect the specific nature of closed meetings for hiring or rehiring personnel;

A proposal to have a special (Continued on Page 7)

# Arrest 5 On Drug Charges

Five men were arrested in two separate narcotics incidents here early Sunday morning, according to City Marshal Mike Reilly, the arresting officer.

Elias Hernandez, 19, of Bovina and Gerardo Saldana, 18, of Friona were arrested by Reilly at 1:30 a.m. Sunday near Avenue L and Ninth Street and charged with possession of marijuana, a Class B misdemeanor. The two were fined \$100 plus court costs each and sentenced to six months probation in county court Monday.

Rael Hernandez, Jose Chavez and R. Mares, all 18 and all residents of Clovis, were apprehended at the city park by Reilly at 5 a.m. Sunday. The men were charged with possession of marijuana, amphetamines and narcotics paraphernalia, also a Class B misdemeanor. Each was fined \$100 plus court costs and sentenced to six months probation in county court Monday at Farwell.

# Man, Woman Of Year, Outstanding Teens Named

Mrs. Joe (Sue) Fowler and the late Johnnie Horn were recognized as Bovina's "Woman and Man of the Year" Thursday night at the 16th Annual Bovina Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture Banquet in Bovina Schools cafeteria.

New awards, the "Outstanding Boy and Girl" at Bovina High School went to Alan Rhodes and Cathie Trimble, both seniors at Bovina High School. Parents of the students are Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Rhodes Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. C.E. Trimble.

Mrs. Fowler, a housewife, was cited for her care and concern for the shut-ins and elderly people in the community. Mrs. Robert (Pat) Read, last year's woman of the year, described Mrs. Fowler as a "good neighbor and friend."

A member of the First United Methodist Church, Mrs. Fowler carries tape recordings of the worship services to shut-ins, is the permanent teacher of the Young Adult Sunday School Class, makes sure there are fresh flowers for each worship service, has served on the Council of Ministries as the Ecumenical Affairs chairman, served on the Nominations Committee, and has held numerous offices in the United Methodist Women organization.

She is an active member of the Bovina Woman's Study Club and has served on numerous projects and committees in the club's work. "Sue visits the sick and elderly of the entire community," Mrs. Read said. "She takes them to the hospital, stays with them when necessary and remembers the Senior Citizens on their birthdays. Several years ago, she learned of a child in our community whose head was pulled back to his shoulders. She took this child to the Free Health Clinic in Lubbock and was instrumental in raising funds to help with the surgery the child needed," Mrs. Read told the audience.

The Fowlers, married in 1946, moved to Bovina in January 1964 where they farm west of town. They have two children—Nancy, an airline stewardess, and Robert, who is stationed with the Navy in California.

Mrs. Fowler was presented an engraved plaque and a dozen long-stemmed red roses.

Kenneth Cary, incoming chamber president, announced the man of the year award, given posthumously to Johnnie Horn, former Bovina mayor. "I feel this is quite an honor,

however, it is one of the hardest things I have ever done," Cary said. "This man was my friend."

Horn, who died in January, was a tireless worker for the community. The mayor of Bovina for four years, he was a 20-year member of the Lions Club, a 20-year member of the Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture, served on the city council two years, the school board six years and was president of the school board three years. He was past president of the Lions Club, where his strongest interest was in the Little League and the eye bank and eye care program. He served as precinct chairman for the Parmer County Democratic Party for a number of years, served as election judge in numerous

elections and was also an associate member of the Bovina Jaycees.

"This man was always there when you needed him, quietly and efficiently helping and directing where needed," Cary commented. The engraved plaque was presented Horn's widow, Mina Horn.

In new awards presented this year, Miss Trimble and Rhodes were selected for the outstanding girl and boy in Bovina High School, with the honors based on citizenship and leadership abilities.

Other nominees were Tammy Christian, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wendol Christian; Connie Ware, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. (Continued on Page 7)



**OUTSTANDING YOUTHS...** Cathie Trimble and Alan Rhodes, both seniors at Bovina High School, were recipients of the first annual Outstanding Girl and Boy Awards presented at the chamber banquet Thursday night in Bovina Schools

cafeteria. Based on leadership and citizenship, engraved plaques were presented the honored students. Parents of the two are Mr. and Mrs. C.E. Trimble and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Rhodes Jr.





**NAME LEADERS....**A.W. (Dub) Anthony, Jr. of Friona, center, was re-elected president of Grain Sorghum Producers Association at the commodity organization's recent annual meeting in Lubbock. Anthony, a 30-year resident of the Farmer County area, produces grain sorghum, wheat and cotton, and raises feed cattle and steers. He has served GSPA for 14 years, eight years as its president. Other officers are, left to right, Melvin Barton of Dimmitt, vice president; J.L. Massey of Robstown, vice president; K.B. Parish of Springlake, secretary-treasurer; Anthony; Larry Abeldt of Hope, Kan., vice president; Mabry Foreman of Felt, Okla., first vice president and John A. Smith of Cameron, vice president.

**ANTHONY RE-ELECTED**

**GSPA Members Asked To Help Expand Markets**

Grain sorghum producers from a five-state area laid groundwork for a \$1 million membership drive to promote their crop during the annual meeting of Grain Sorghum Producers Association in Lubbock last week.

A.W. (Dub) Anthony, Jr. of Friona, president of the national commodity organization, pointed out that grain sorghum farmers spend only about \$25,000 annually for overseas market development for a crop valued at nearly \$2 billion. He said that 10 cents an acre, or a minimum \$10 GSPA membership, would raise the necessary funds to continue and expand overseas markets.

Anthony added that until farmers accept the responsibility for promoting their own crop and educating potential customers, they cannot achieve their fair share of the nation's economy. "Just the price of a cup of coffee per acre will open new markets for the grain sorghum producer," he said.

His remarks followed an address by Hubert Dyke, vice president of the U.S. Feed Grains Council, during which grain sorghum farmers were warned not to become complacent in the light of growing overseas markets.

Even with a tripling of feed grain exports over the past 15 years to a current annual value of \$5 billion, foreign markets cannot be developed and maintained without producer support, Dyke said.

"Now that one acre out of three goes into exports...most of our farmers think they can produce fence to fence to the limit of their ability, and the overseas markets will keep on growing all by themselves," the USFGC executive said.

But Dyke cautioned that the present policy of full production without acreage limitations puts the farmer in the position of being just a bumper crop away from a price-depressing surplus.

During the afternoon business session, members re-elected the current executive committee members. They are Anthony, president; Mabry Foreman of Felt, Okla., first vice president; K.B. Parish of Springlake, Tex., secretary-treasurer; Melvin Barton of Dimmitt, Tex., John A. Smith of Cameron, Tex., Larry Abeldt of Hope, Kan. and J.L. Massey of Robstown, Tex., vice presidents.

In other business, GSPA members adopted several resolutions of policy for the coming year. In addition to the GSPA membership campaign, members voted also to:

-Support legislation that would adequately fund a federal regulatory agency to assure complete confidence in the grain grading system.

-Seek enabling legislation that would "allow producers of any commodity to join in a marketing program to help maintain the price of the commodity at the parity level while still providing a systematic flow into the market and not cause undue hardships on the general consumer."

-Support legislation that would require the President to establish a government loan of 100 percent of parity on any commodity placed under export restriction.

-Continue to work for legislation that would establish the commodity loan programs at levels equal to the national cost of production and target prices at a minimum of 90

percent of parity. -Continue to work with state and federal agencies and private industry for adequate supplies of energy at justifiable prices in order to produce necessary food and fiber for domestic and export markets and to continue research toward development of new energy sources.

**Remind County Farmers Of 2,4-D Regulations**

Agriculture Commissioner John C. White urges all Farmer County farmers who use 2,4-D and other hormone-type herbicides to be especially careful this spring and observe regulations for application of that material.

This county is one of 76 in the state which have elected to operate under the regulations administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture.

White reminded farmers that they must have a permit to use hormone-type herbicides on plots of ten acres or more. On smaller plots, the operator must notify the Texas Department of Agriculture of his intent, prior to spraying.

"These hormone-type herbicides are essential in production plans of some

farmers, but they can be a serious problem to others if wise practices are not followed," White explained.

Herbicides can drift during application from the target area and will affect susceptible crops such as cotton and other broad-leaf plants. In addition, fruits, vegetables, and ornamentals can be damaged severely by herbicides.

Before applying them, the farmer should check the surrounding fields for susceptible crops, White advised.

He also suggested that a spray pressure of 20 to 30 pounds is best for applications of these herbicides.

"Proper pressure for ground rigs is one of the best ways to assure safety. Spraying is best done when winds are from 0-3 mph. and

temperatures are less than 90 degrees F. When winds reach 10 mph. and temperatures exceed 90 degrees F., the operations should be halted," White said.

"The best advice we can

give anyone—farmers or home owners—is that in using any type of agricultural chemical, one should first read the label and follow the directions to the letter."

**Parmer County Ranks 2nd In Barley Yields**

With production totaling 463,000 bushels, Parmer County placed second in 1975 Texas barley yields.

According to Agriculture Commissioner John C. White, county farmers harvested some 8,700 acres with an average yield of 53.2 bushels per acre.

The county also placed eighth in the state in wheat

production with a crop of 3,568,000 bushels. Irrigated acreage produced 3,091,400 bushels of that total, with the remainder of the crop being produced on dryland fields.

Barley and wheat were seeded under excellent moisture conditions during the fall of 1974, and early growth of the crops was satisfactory. However, dry conditions during the late winter and early spring months shortened the crop prospects and grazing conditions of both small grains.

Despite the period of short moisture, Texas farmers were able to produce a record wheat crop in 1975 with production totaling 131.1 million bushels. State-wide barley production was 2,380,000 bushels.

Reeves County ranked first in barley production with 467,500 bushels, and Deaf Smith placed first in wheat production with 10.2 million bushels.

Complete figures on small grains have been compiled in the "1975 Texas Small Grain Statistics." Copies may be obtained by writing John C. White, Commissioner, Texas Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 12847, Austin, Texas 78711.

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By John Ricci

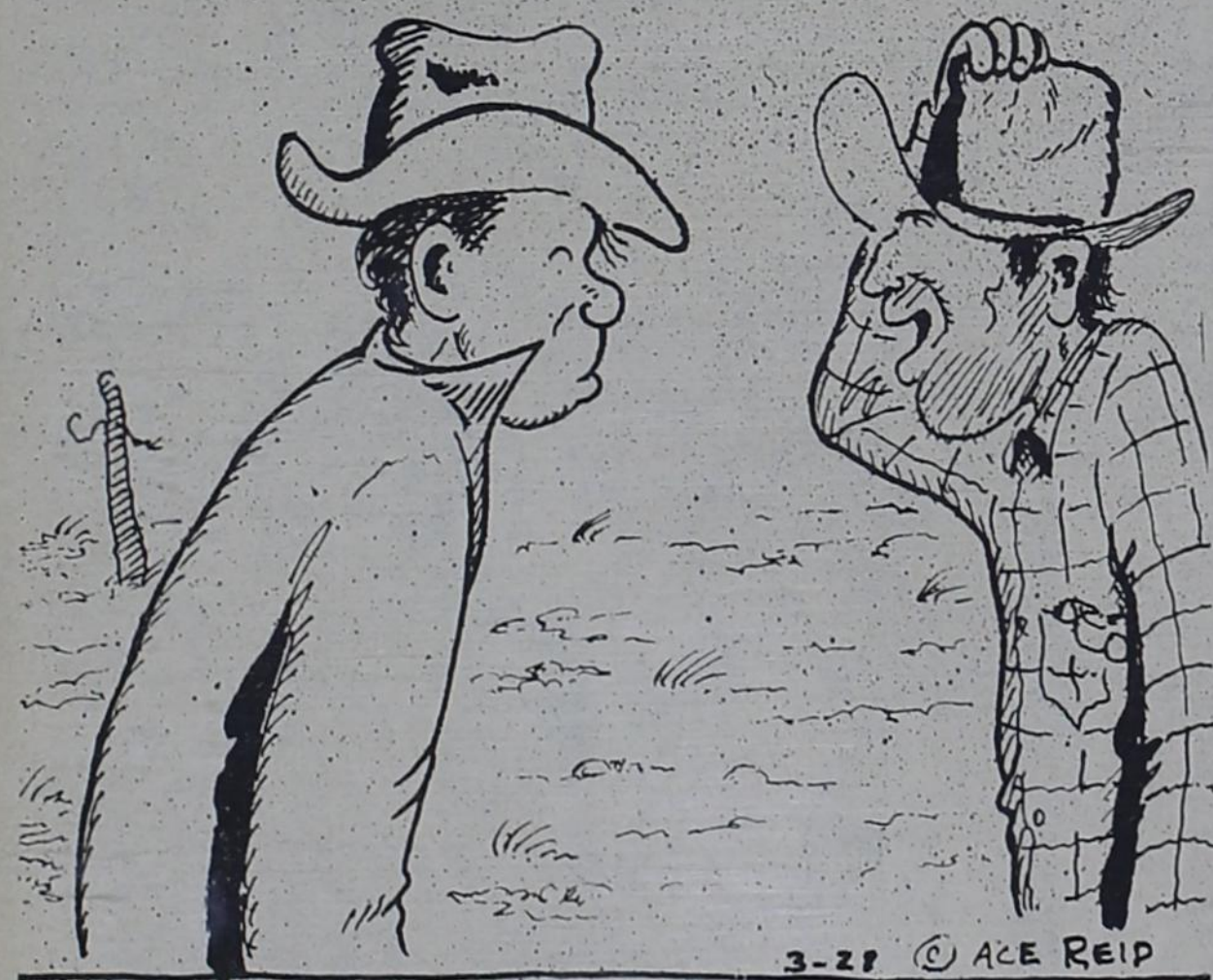


Solar heat collectors on a commercial scale will probably show up on the farm before anywhere else. Exactly when solar energy units can practically be used is still an open question. Certainly not right away, but tests performed in six states by the Agricultural Research Service indicate that low temperature drying of grain by use of simple solar collectors is technically feasible. Technically feasible and economically practical are often some distance apart. It appears this is still the case with solar drying since the main thing the ARS testing ascertained was a need for more tests. The new series of tests will be conducted during the next two years and will provide more information on economics of the various commercial systems as well as increasing the technological information available on solar energy collection.

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CLARK PRESENTED....Marion Clark, Conservation Technician (left) is shown receiving a 30-year safe driving award from Herb Evans, SCS District Conservationist of Friona.

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**SCS Employee Honored  
With Safe Driving Award**

Marion Clark, Conservation Technician, Soil Conservation Service, Friona, received a coveted 30-year safe driving award this week from Herb Evans, District Conservationist, SCS, Friona.

"This kind of outstanding safe driving record doesn't just happen," Evans said in presenting the award to Clark. "It's the result of careful, defensive driving. You have set a day-to-day driving example that all of us should try to follow."

Evans also gave the Friona Field Office an award for not having a preventable vehicle accident in the last 20 years and another award for not having a lost-time personal injury from any cause in the last 20 years.

The awards for the excellent safety record were approved by George C. Marks, SCS State Conservationist. The Soil Conservation Service is cooperating in the "ZERO IN on Federal Safety" program whereby Federal agencies are placing emphasis on eliminating major causes of employee injuries.

The Friona Field Office gives technical assistance on conservation matters through the local Parmer County Soil and Water Conservation District.

"Conservation education is one of the prime interests of our district," according to

Leon Grissom, chairman of the Parmer County SWCD. With this in mind the district is providing scholarships this year for Parmer County teachers to attend the conservation Education Workshop. The workshop is held at West Texas State University for three weeks, June 14-30.

Details of the scholarship and workshop have been supplied to each school in Parmer County.

"This is an education course that is given by the Department of Geography at WTSU," continued Grissom. "If any teacher in Parmer County is interested they can check for details through the school administration or contact Herb Evans, District Conservationist, SCS, Box 788, Friona, Texas 79035, phone 247-2220."



American egg lovers have something to be cheerful about. The world's largest chicken ranch is in Moorpark, California. On these 600 acres, some two million eggs are laid daily by 4 1/2 million chickens!

**Courthouse Notes**

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WD, Custom Farm Services, Riverside Chemical Co., 1.5 ac. out Sec. 8, Blk. E, Synd.

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Identifying and controlling high blood pressure is one of the best ways to reduce your risk of stroke and heart attack.

This is a message hammered home repeatedly by the American Heart Association, and it takes on special significance as the nation observes High Blood Pressure Month in May.

High blood pressure is a silent killer. There are usually no symptoms. You can have it and still feel healthy. It is a mysterious killer because, in 90 per cent of the cases, doctors don't know the cause. It can easily be detected by

an inexpensive and painless medical examination, and once diagnosed, it can usually be controlled.

For those who ignore high blood pressure, the results can be devastating. Consider these statistics:

-High blood pressure is major factor in 500,000 of the nearly 900,000 deaths in this country each year from stroke and heart attack.

-Of the approximately 23 million Americans who have high blood pressure, at least half don't know it, and half of those who do are not adequately controlled.

-In 1975 alone, heart and blood vessel diseases will kill more than a million Americans--52 per cent of deaths from all causes in the U.S.

Fortunately, you can improve your chances of living a longer, healthier life, but only your doctor can determine your individual risk. Only a physician can tell you how to reduce it. If you have high blood pressure, only a doctor can prescribe a diet and medication program designed to protect you. But only you can make it successful by following the physician's advice.

Your part is just as important as your physician's. You can play your part best by doing the following:

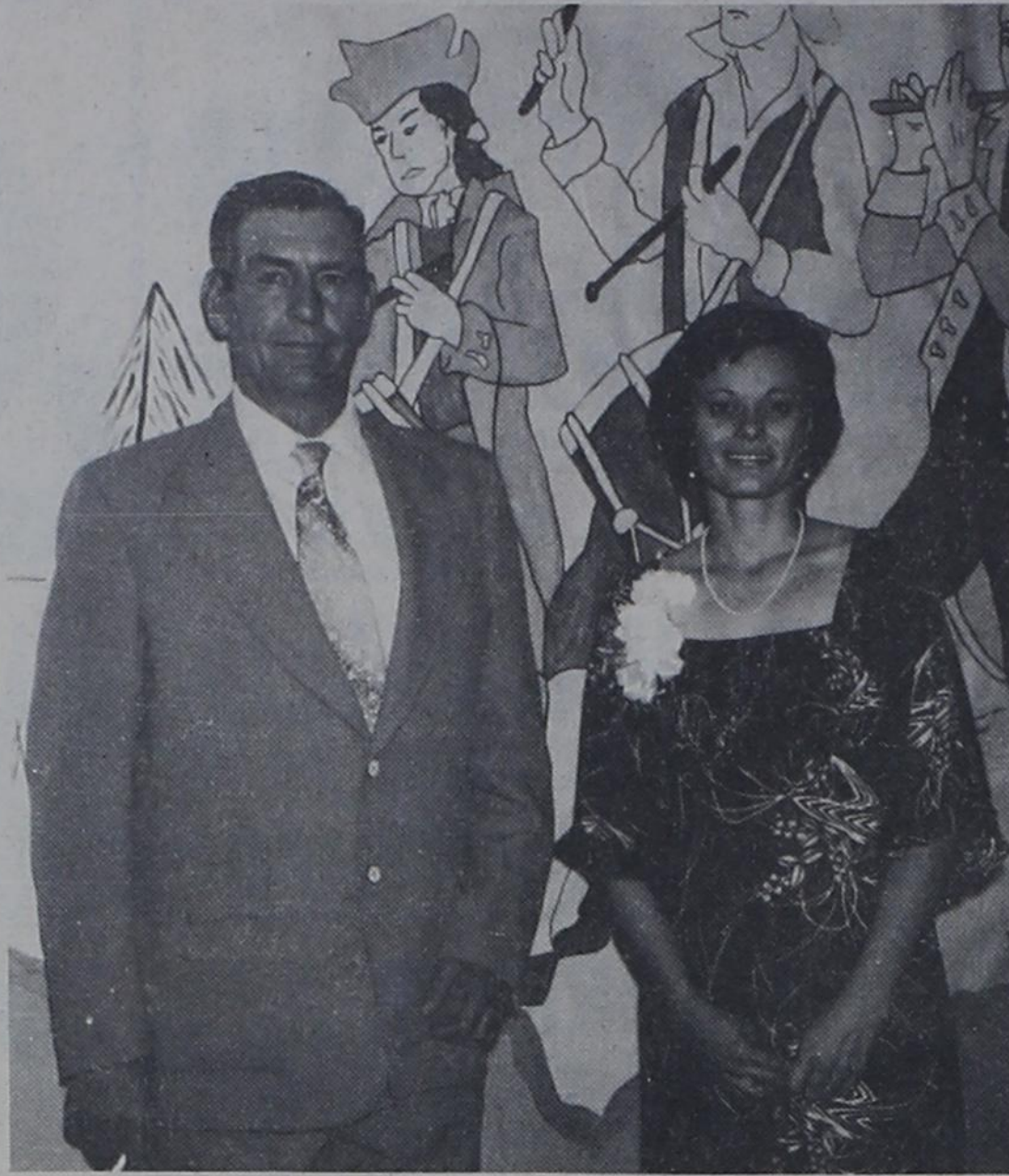
1. Visit the Parmer County Health Fair to have your pressure checked free. You should do this even if you feel well, because high blood pressure may not have any noticeable symptoms.

2. If you have high blood pressure, follow your doctor's instructions about diet--including weight loss if you are overweight--and changes in general health habits, such as rest and recreation. These measures will reduce the risk of stroke, heart attack, kidney and heart failure.

3. If your physician prescribes medications, keep taking them whether you feel well or not.

4. Cooperate with your physician. As a team, you and the doctor can almost always get your pressure under control.

The Parmer County Health Fair will be Tuesday, April 6 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. in the Community Building in Friona. All Parmer County residents are invited to view the educational exhibits, and go through screening for high blood pressure, TB, diabetes, Glaucoma and height-weight.



**CHAMBER OFFICERS....**Kenneth Cary, manager of Bovina Pump Company, took over leadership of the Bovina Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture Thursday night at

the 16th annual banquet. Mrs. Karen Kirkpatrick, outgoing president, will continue to serve on the board as past-president.

## Party Fetes

### Pearl Moore On Birthday

Mrs. Pearl Moore, a long-time resident of Bovina before moving to Clovis last year, was feted with a birthday party at her home Tuesday, March 16.

Chips, dips and home-made ice cream was served by Mrs. Clifford Leake and Mrs. Sula Berry.

Others attending were Mrs. T.J. Hopingardner, Mrs. Oma Gunn, Mrs. Frank Smith, Mrs. Aubrey Brock, Mrs. Von Bowen, Mrs. Jerry Ware, Mrs. Ike Quickel, and Mrs. T.W. Carpenter.

## Lingerie Shower

### Fetes Pam Wilcox

Miss Pam Wilcox, bride-elect of Alan Cockerham, was feted with a lingerie shower Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Dale Gober in Bovina.

Cranberry punch and banana split surprise cake was served from crystal and silver appointments.

Attending were the honoree; her mother, Mrs. V.R. Wilcox of Friona; Mrs. Jimmie Cockerham, mother of the prospective groom; Mrs. Gerald Reed and Michelle of Friona, Mrs. Jyl Grimsley, Mona Campbell, Cindy Gammon, Gail Graham, Marilyn Jones, Amal Malouf and Amanda Mason.

# In a shell

by Lou Nuttall

We continue to hear conflicting statements concerning voter registration and what makes one eligible to vote in upcoming elections. At this point, we are so darned confused we aren't even sure there is going to be an election.

The last report we got from county officials is that you may NOT have to have the new blue voter registration certificate in order to vote. (Hope not, because we got ours through the mail recently and promptly put it in a safe place so we wouldn't lose it. So safe, as a matter of fact, that we've already forgotten where we put it!) At any rate, there is a toll free line where someone is supposed to be able to answer any questions or requests for help and the number is 1-800-292-9602. Perhaps we should deluge that particular office with calls and just see how many different answers we get to this dumb deal.

We did find the paper that came with the new voter registration certificate. A portion of it reads as follows: "Here is your new voter registration certificate which may be used for voting in elections for a two year period beginning March 1, 1976 and ending on February 28, 1978. Your new certificate represents the end product of efforts to streamline the Texas voter registration system. I believe that Texas now has the best permanent voter registration system in the United States, etc." Signed by Mark White, Secretary of State.

If this mess is "streamlining" and the "best permanent voter registration system in the United States," heaven help the rest of the country!

Visited with Jim Noyes, the junior high principal, recently. Seems the flu "epidemic" really fouled up one student's bid for a record of sorts.

Eddie Don Lide, an eighth grader, had six and one-half years perfect attendance before the "flu bug" felled him. Tough luck, Eddie Don.

Really enjoyed the chamber banquet Thursday night. As usual, the food was excellent, the decorations outstanding and a good time was had by all.

Neal Mager's intro of St-Stu-

Stutterin' Sam worked to perfection. Almost too perfect.

After all, we have all been taught that it's rude to laugh at people with speech impediments. One could almost feel the crowd suffering for him. We even heard people trying to "help" him through some of the quotes he used and some of the names he was trying to get out.

And, who was going to "laugh off" the explanation that he was in Bovina to investigate building a refinery, the product of which would solve the energy crisis (Sam said his refinery would combine cottonseed oil, corn oil, soybean oil and vegetable oil in a secret formula)--after all, they laughed less than 50 years ago at the idea of the Buck Rogers cartoons ever becoming a reality.

And, congratulations to Sue Fowler, Cathie Trimble and Alan Rhodes on their awards. They were well deserved.

It was a poignant moment when the man of the year was announced. Am sure that everyone hated that the award had to be given "posthumously." The late Johnnie Horn, aptly described by Kenneth Cary as a "very fine man," richly deserved the recognition by his community.

We also committed a terrible blunder in last week's Blade. We failed to mention that Johnnie Horn had also served as mayor during Mary Ruth Martin's tenure as city secretary.

We enjoyed a friendly, cheerful repartee with Johnnie when he was the mayor of Bovina and can only attribute our omission to a total mental block last week. Our apologies to Mina and the Horn family for our oversight.

Have been arguing with several friends about whether winter is really over. This week should "tell the tale."

Still believe we will get our annual end-of-March-first-of-April blizzard. However, if we get through the Jaycee's farm sale Saturday without a storm, that may signal the end of what winter we've had this year. Seems the first two were postponed because of blizzards, so we'll wait 'till Saturday to see.



**"FILL IN" SPEAKER....**Cecil "Stutterin' Sam" Hunter kept banquet goers embarrassed and squirming until the majority of the 300 people at the event decided he wasn't just a casual drop-in at the banquet. "Sam" took light-hearted pokes at politicians, patriots, parties and people.

## Mitchells Have Girl

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Mitchell of Bovina announce the birth of a daughter at 1:07 a.m. Tuesday, March 16, at Central Plains Hospital in Plainview.

Named Kelli Glenn, the new arrival weighs four pounds, two ounces, and is 18 inches long.

The couple has two other children, Keri and Kory.

Mitchell is a farmer. Mrs. Mitchell is the former Donna Garner.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Garner and Mr. and Mrs. Dean McCallum, all of Bovina. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. George Turner of Bovina, Mrs. T.B. Mitchell of Lockney, Mrs. C.F. McCallum of Childress, Mrs. Dick Garner of Plainview and Mrs. Joyce Blevins of Garland.

## Major Hickox Guest Speaker

Major Joseph Hickox of Reese Air Force Base in Lubbock was guest speaker at a dinner meeting of Bovina Woman's Study Club members and their husbands Thursday, March 11, at the Bovina Restaurant.

The topic of Major Hickox's speech was Russia in which he pointed out that tourists were heavily guarded and closely escorted on sightseeing tours and in many instances turned back or stopped if there was any deviation from the established route.

Attending the dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Oakley Stevenson, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Stevenson, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Ware, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Clayton, Mr. and Mrs. Ovid Lawlis, Mr. and Mrs. Rouel Barron, Mr. and Mrs. Houston Hoover, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Richards and Mr. and Mrs. Archie McCutchan.

## Hromases Have Son

Mr. and Mrs. Greg Hromas of Bovina announce the birth of their first child, a son, at 4:39 p.m. Wednesday, March 17, at Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona.

Named Gregory Alan, the new arrival weighs seven pounds, nine ounces, and is 19 and one-half inches long.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Hromas and Mr. and Mrs. Billy Harbison, all of Bovina. Great-grandparents are Mrs. J.K. Barfield Sr. of Ft. Sumner, N.M., Mr. and Mrs. W.W. Harbison of Mercedes and Mrs. W.H. Burkett of Austin.

Hromas is employed in the bookkeeping department at Sherry Grain Company here. Mrs. Hromas is the former Miss Lou Ann Harbison.

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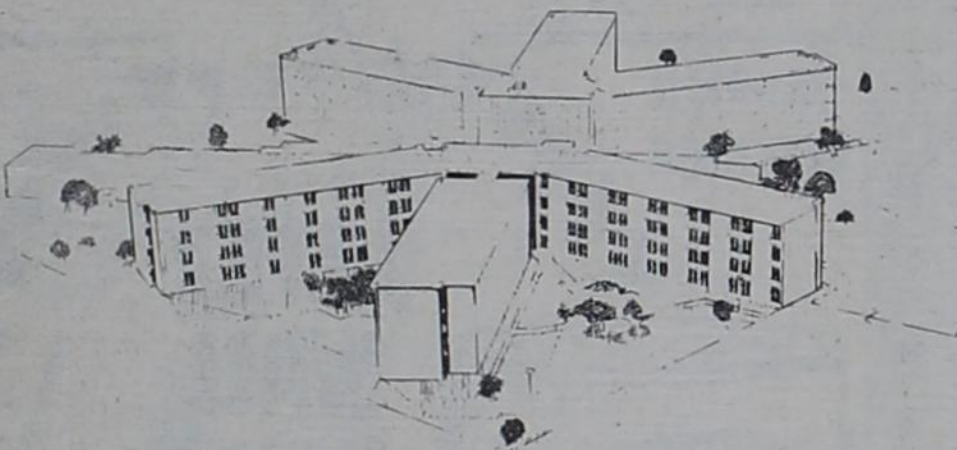
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# Ellison Writes Article On Flight Experience

The following article was written by Lt. JG Mickey Don Ellison and appeared in the Navy newspaper, The Whidbey Cross Wind, USNAS Whidbey Island, Wash. Ellison, a navigator on an EA-6B Navy Lancer Prowler plane, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Ellison of Oak Harbor, Wash., and the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Buck Ellison of Bovina. He is stationed on the USS Saratoga in the Mediterranean Sea around Spain and Italy.

The article is a report of a flight from the ship on a stormy night. With fuel running low and ice forming on the wings of the aircraft, the pilot was forced to land on a Spanish island.

"It was one of those nights when Navy pilots and NFOS would much rather find a comfortable seat in the Ready Room and settle down for the evening movie than to launch out into the formidable darkness."

living up to her name as the 'Sea of Contention.' The low pressure system was positioned overhead the carrier, seas were as high as 18 feet, and rain showers mixed with sleet frequented the deck of the Saratoga.

"Finding the wires on a night like that proved to be very difficult indeed, and after two 'wave-offs' and one bolter across the pitching deck the bingo profile was the only resort. Primary divert was Basea Area Son San Juan only a few miles from Palma De Mallorca.

"The Lancer crew was headed for that strange world where the friendly controller speaks English with a heavy Spanish accent, fuel is measured in liters, and the BOQ is called the 'Pavillon.'

"Through the patient and understanding controller the EA-6B Prowler threaded its way through the darkness and was soon resting on Spanish soil.

"Tienente Cristobal Spert, an officer from the Spanish SAR Squadron 801 had the duty at night and was waiting for the VAQ-131 crew to arrive at the Pavillon.

"When they finished arranging for aircraft security and checking on an overhead time for the following morning, four hungry and tired Lancers found their way to the BOQ, not at all expecting the warmth of hospitality they would find there.

"Lt. Spert could speak very little English, about as much English as the Spanish speaking expert of the Lancer crew could speak Spanish.

"However, his friendliness and assistance soon provided a warm fire, a hot meal, drinks at the bar, and even a few 'sea stories' to make the Lancers feel right at home.

"They were his guests for the night and he proved a most welcome host.

"Special arrangements were made to see that heaters were placed in the rooms, and every effort was made to insure that a comfortable night would be enjoyed by all.

"The following morning, fuel for the aircraft along with a starter unit was ready and waiting by 8 a.m. Due to the efficiency of the military air operations department and cooperation of the Spanish ground crews, the Prowler was soon returned to the decks of the Saratoga, meeting the overhead with time and fuel to spare.

"When the Saratoga pulled into port at Palma a few days later, the VAQ-131 Lancers had a chance to reciprocate with some hospitality of their own. Four officers from E-squadron 801 were invited for a grand tour of the Saratoga and later joined the 131 officers at the 'Admin Ashore' for drinks and snacks.

"The exchange of warm

feelings and hospitality between these representatives of the United States and Spain on this small scale occurred shortly after the signing of the latest port agreements between the two nations.

"Perhaps E-squadron 801 and the VAQ-131 Lancers provided one of the stepping stones of friendship necessary for maintaining such agreements in the years to come."

### Fact Or Fallacy?



There has never been any medical proof that Sauza Tequila mixed with orange juice is a love potion.



### Current Comments From . . .

**JIM REYNOLDS IN THE CROSBYTON REVIEW....** Do you consider the federal government a bigger threat to free enterprise than any other group or organization? Eighty-eight per cent of the persons answering a West Texas Chamber of Commerce survey felt this to be true, while eight per cent voted no and four per cent did not list an opinion.

Another of nine questions on the survey: "Do you think the Social Security System should be taken out of government administration and replaced by required, government insured, annuities written by private enterprise?" On this, 69 per cent of those answering said yes, 17 per cent disapproved and 14 per cent expressed no opinion.

Here's another question, which should be of special interest to cattlemen: "Should all farm feedlots be required to comply with EPA clean-up regulations even if the costs are disastrous?" Seventy-eight per cent voted no, 13 per

cent favored EPA controls, and nine per cent were undecided.

**Government of the people, by the people, and for the people?** Of the nine questions listed on the WTCC survey, the general public disagreed with action taken by the federal government on each proposition.

**WENDELL TOOLEY IN THE FLOYD COUNTY HESPERIAN....** For the last 20 years we have all been concerned about how long our underground irrigation supply would last. Crop allotments have helped extend the life of the water. Then allotments came off and our farmers increased their acreage.... using a lot more irrigation water.

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Mrs. Fern Bell 38-1tc

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# Texas Traffic Deaths Increase 13 Per Cent

Figures released today by the Texas Department of Public Safety show that 1975 traffic deaths in Texas rose 13 per cent over 1974, but the toll fell 263 short of the all-time record set in 1973. Colonel Wilson E. Speir, director of DPS, said a total of 3,429 persons lost their lives last year in 2,945 fatal accidents. The figure compares to 3,046 who died in 2,626 fatal accidents during 1974 and 3,692 who were killed in 1973's 3,074 fatal mishaps. Speir said the traffic death rate per 100-million vehicle miles was 4.054 last year—up from the 3.9 rate in 1974 but under the 1973 death rate of 4.6. The DPS director said

92,510 injury accidents which resulted in injuries to 138,962 persons. In 1974 there were 83,341 injury accidents and 123,611 injuries, while in 1973 some 87,631 accidents resulted in 132,635 injuries. Non-injury accidents for 1975 totaled 373,141, compared to 348,227 in 1974 and 373,521 in 1973. Considering all types of traffic accidents in Texas, Speir said there were 34,402 more total accidents in 1975 than in 1974, and 4,370 more than in 1973. Speir said the largest increase in deaths occurred in cities over 5,000 population—up 17 per cent over 1974. Deaths in towns of less than 5,000 decreased by 0.3 per cent, while rural deaths increased by 12 per cent. The DPS director said the sharp rise in deaths and accidents is due in part to a large increase in total driving over 1974. Last year Texans and visitors drove 84.575 billion miles compared to 78.290 billion miles

driven in 1974 and 80.615 in 1973. Total driving fell drastically in 1974 due to the impact of the national energy crisis. Speir noted that even though 1975 mileage was well above 1973 figures, and even though there were more total accidents in 1975 than in 1973, the 55 mile speed limit apparently made a sizable contribution to the reduction of 263 deaths when compared to 1973's record toll. "While voluntary compliance with the 55 mile speed limit is not as good as it should be, traffic continues to move slower than it did in 1973 when the speed limit was 70," Speir said. "This translates into reduced impact speeds in highway crashes; and, coupled with vehicle safety improvements, is helping to save lives." Speir pointed out that DPS is both obligated and committed to enforcement of the 55 mile speed limit, and he called on all users of the highways to drive in a safe and lawful manner. "Only through responsible driving on the part of all our citizens can future increases in traffic deaths be averted," he added.



Try varying the breakfast routine with Eggs Benedict. Toast English muffins, then add ham, poached eggs and Hollandaise sauce. It will perk up your morning. For that matter, it's a great idea for lunch.

## Honor Citation Presented To Tommy DeLeon

Tommy DeLeon, son of Mr. and Mrs. G.H. DeLeon, received an honor citation at the Catholic Youth Council Convention Sat., March 13, in Amarillo. Father Ken Keller of Amarillo, director of the Catholic Youth Council, presented the citation to DeLeon, who was cited for "dedication to the youth of the diocese and the good representation on the Council." He is currently vice president of the CYC, Amarillo District, and is the Bovina representative. DeLeon is a senior at Bovina High School.

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## Services Held For Brother Of Bovinian

Funeral services for Henry M. Campbell of Clovis, brother of Mrs. Edna Scott of Bovina, were held Tuesday afternoon of last week in Steed Memorial Chapel. Dr. Lloyd Hughes, pastor of the First United Methodist Church in Clovis, officiated. Burial was in Mission Gardens of Memories. Mr. Campbell, 71, died Sunday night at Clovis Memorial Hospital. Born Feb. 23, 1905, in DeLeon County, Texas, he had lived in Curry County since he was three years old. He was raised near Hollene, N.M., and was a retired service station operator. Survivors include his wife, Jane; one son, Henry M. Campbell Jr. of Clovis; his mother, Mrs. Sam Campbell of Clovis; three brothers, A.G. Campbell and DeLeon Campbell, both of Clovis, and Edgar Campbell of Texico; two other sisters, Mrs. Bobbie Rossomano of Riverside, Calif., and Mrs. Mildred Rierson of Clovis; and three grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his father, Sam Campbell, in Dec. 1975. Pallbearers were Robert Cole, Roy Atwell, Larry Baca, Jack Murphy, Glenn Firestone and Milton L. Walling.

## Special Thanks

The members of the Bovina FFA Chapter and 4-H Clubs would like to thank the community of Bovina for its help and support during the local and county livestock show. Special thanks to all the individuals who donated to the non-sale animals. A special thanks to all of the buyers of our sale animals. We hope we can continue to warrant your fine support, and know that it will encourage us to excel in our future endeavors.

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# 3rd Annual Sale Slated Saturday

The third annual community-wide consignment auction, sponsored by the Bovina Jaycees, will get underway at 1 p.m. Saturday at the Bovina Gin yard north of Bovina on FM 1731, according to Joe Jones, chairman of the sale committee.

Houston Bartlett and Larry Potts will call the sale.

The Jaycees, in return for organizing and sponsoring the sale, will receive a portion of the auctioneer's fee.

Included on the sale bill are shredders, one-ways, tandem discs, a combine with corn header, Hoemes, breaking plows, ditchers,

well motors, a pickup, a welder, irrigation equipment and electric fencing materials.

Additional sale items may be brought to the gin yard the day of the sale. Jones said he expects "quite a few more items to be brought in Saturday." All types of items, including household goods, will be welcome.

Coffee, courtesy of Bovina Gin, will be served by the Jaycees and a concession stand will be set up on the grounds.

An advertisement containing further particulars of the sale may be found elsewhere in this issue of The Blade.

## Chamber Awards...

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Leon Ware; Dian Roming, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Roming; Kim Ware, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ware; John Caldwell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Caldwell; Tommy DeLeon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gil DeLeon; and Dennis Willard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Willard.

Cary presented engraved plaques to Miss Trimble and Rhodes.

Miss Trimble was recently voted the best all-around girl in Bovina High School. She has served as class officer three years, has served as president and vice president of the United Methodist Youth, is the youth representative to the council of ministries of the church, participated in basketball, golf, track and tennis, is a member of the Mustang Band, served as a volunteer worker with the Bovina Neighborhood Center and the Methodist Summer Bible School and is a member of Future Homemakers of America. Other honors accorded Miss Trimble include Bull Town Days Queen in 1975, honorable mention District 3-A basketball her junior and senior years, head cheerleader the past two years, football queen this year and was selected as a contestant in the All-Star Basketball Queen contest recently at Amarillo.

Rhodes is a member of the School Board...

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called meeting for the discussion of written school policy prior to meeting with Mr. Rusk;

A discussion of double hair codes;

A discussion of whether a school board member has to make a written request of the superintendent to get an item discussed that is not on the agenda for a given meeting;

Clarification of whether a petition presented to the school board by a board member was illegal because it was not on the agenda since it was relative, pertinent and germane to the item being discussed;

A discussion and possible adoption of a policy of converting credits earned and required for students to comply with the quarter system in high school;

Consider approval of a selection policy that has been developed for the high school library;

And, pay the bills and sign the payroll.

National Honor Society where he has served as president and vice president, is a member of the Student Council, Lettermen's Club, FFA, Mustang Band and is currently serving on the school-community committee for the school evaluation. A member of the Bovina Church of Christ, he serves on the youth committee and leads the younger boys in singing at Wednesday night services. This year, he placed third in the Soil Conservation Essay contest, coaches a Little Dribbler basketball team, and has been selected the most handsome and class favorite in the Senior Class. He has competed in basketball, football, golf and tennis and in 1972, won the UIL number sense award and English award.

"It makes me proud to be part of a community that is blessed with young people of this caliber," said Cary. "I am very happy the chamber has decided to honor the young people in our community. Too often we hear of the bad things young people do and not the good things, so we felt this award would recognize some of the accomplishments of our junior citizens."

## Bulltown Bulletins....

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ment assistance—Medicare, Medicaid, etc.

Even in our city government, we have been receiving a Revenue Sharing check, which city leaders are afraid will be terminated.


Once we become dependent upon any form of government aid, we become "hooked" on it, and we lose our ability to decide upon the issues according to their face value.

At one time, probably not too long ago, a candidate expounding the kind of thinking that Ronald Reagan uses would have been the champion of the people. He would have had little trouble being elected to whatever office.

Today, however, it begins to look doubtful. We have been suspecting for some time that the half of the American population that is paying taxes for the other half on welfare, social security, etc., was beginning to become a minority. Ronald Reagan must believe this too, especially after the recent primaries.


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# Above Average Crop Year Seen By Crim

According to Parmer County's renowned weather prophet, J.W. (Indian) Crim, the 1976 crop year should turn out to be another pretty fair year.

Crim held his annual "weather watch" ritual at the family place near Clay's Corner Monday morning for the 55th consecutive year, and came forth with a better than average prediction for crop prospects.

The wind was directly out of the north when the longtime area resident held his reading at sunup. He commented that it was one of the few times he could remember the wind being straight out of the north on the March 22nd affair.

According to Crim's formula, an east wind is the best, fortelling a rain, while a west or southwest wind is the worst. So apparently, a north wind is somewhere in between.

"It was a slow wind, easy and mild. I don't look for us to have any bad storms during the year," said

Crim, who has been making the annual weather reading on his place near Lazbuddle since 1922.

A big crowd of spectators, some 50 or 60, were on hand for the annual "prediction." The old weather prophet said it was one of the biggest crowds he had ever had for the occasion. He said it was probably due to the fact that it has been so dry, and folks were anxious to see if he was going to predict a rain.

The north wind doesn't indicate an excessive amount of rainfall, Crim says, but it should be enough for the farmers to get by.

"If we didn't have our irrigation, we'd be in a fix," Crim stated, pointing out that nature provides moisture for a "bumper crop" in this area only every five or six years.

He said that following his reading on Monday, someone in the crowd suggested that a rain dance be performed around the tepee-shaped campfire that Crim makes to help him observe the elements.

It was a clear, warm day with the temperature near 50 degrees when Crim and his followers "did their thing" at sunup Monday morning.

He has never missed a year making the prediction, and has done it in all kinds of weather. One time, 15 or 20 years ago, there was considerable amount of snow on the ground, left from a big snowfall, on the March 22 event.

Crim started doing the annual weather observance with his father over 50 years ago. They made the reading strictly for their own benefit, to see if they could get any information that would assist in planning their crop years.

But neighbors and friends began to check on Crim's findings, until in 1952, the county pioneer began to have a public ceremony for all who wished to attend.

"I plan to do it as long as I'm able," said Crim.

He turned his farming activities over to his boys eight or nine years ago, and has moved into Muleshoe.



**WHO BROUGHT THE WEINERS?** ...Several old buildings on the Dimmitt Highway property where the new Bovina Supermarket is to be constructed were put to the torch Monday night, creating a bonfire visible for several miles. Billy Whitcotton and Billy Smith, co-owners of the business, plan to begin construction on the new

Supermarket-Family Center in the near future. Built by the late Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Vestal, pioneer Bovina residents, the only thing remaining on the property after the huge bonfire was an old windmill tower which was spared the torch and will be moved later. The volunteer firemen were on hand to keep the blaze under control.

## NAEGLE HIGH POINT

# Fillies Place 3rd At Olton Meet

Bovina's Fillies came in third in total points at the Olton track meet Friday.

Roosevelt took the team trophy with 84½ points, followed by Tulia, 75½; Bovina, 68; Abernathy, 67½; Friona, 52; Olton, 52; Hereford, 35; Portales, 29½; Lubbock Cooper, 22; Dimmitt, 20; Frenship, 4; Springlake-Earth, 4; and Morton, 1.

Dianna Naegle, a junior at Bovina High School, was high point individual in the meet with 22 points. She took first in the high jump with an effort of 4-11½, second in the triple jump with a

leap of 32-11; and was a member of the mile relay team, which placed third with a time of 4:21.6.

Others placing in the top three finishers in the meet included Sides, second in the 60-yard dash with a time of 7:4.1, behind Lusk of Roosevelt with a time of 7.4; Debra Gilbreath, second in the 100-yard dash with a time of 12.1, finishing a step behind Rivers of Dimmitt with a time of 12 flat; Pam McCormick, Sides, Gilbreath and Diane Gilbreath, third in the 440-yard relay with a time of 52.1; Sides, Gilbreath, Naegle and Gilbreath, third in the mile relay with a time of 4:21.6; and Pat Shepherd, second in the discus with a toss of 104-7.

The Filly tracksters, off to an excellent start, have a number of girls on the area track honor roll. They are as follows:

Sides, who currently has the third best time in the 60-yard dash; Debra Gilbreath, who currently has the sixth best time in the 100-yard dash; the 440-yard relay team of McCormick, Gilbreath, Gilbreath and Sides, with the eighth best time; the mile relay team of Sides, Gilbreath, Naegle and Gilbreath, with the eighth best time; Naegle, with the fourth best high jump; Shepherd with the fifth best toss in the discus and the 10th best effort in the shot put.

The honor roll, compiled by the Amarillo Daily News sportswriter, includes tracksters from Class B through AAAA schools. Other schools represented on the honor roll include Amarillo Tascosa, Stinnett, Canyon, Amarillo High, Dalhart, Stratford, Olton, Hereford, Pampa, Nazareth, Panhandle, Tulia, Amarillo Palo Duro, Silverton, Paducah, Clovis, Sunray, Friona, Sanford-Fritch, Groom, Perryton, Roswell, Borger, Amarillo Caprock, Canadian, Spearman, Vega, Kress, Littlefield, Boise City, Des Moines, Portales and Texline, schools from Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma.

Don Maynard and Hal Blackburn.

In the team number two doubles, Joe Lafuente and Keith Martin of Friona split sets with Butch McCain and Corbin before taking the match on scores of 3-6, 6-4, 6-3.

In girls competition, Tammy Christian and Rita Nuttall won the first set, 6-4, but lost the final two sets, 4-6 and 2-6. Tamara Lambert and Cheryl Whitcotton were defeated by Cindy Smiley and Betty Rando, 6-1, 4-6, 7-6.

Participating in the match at Clovis Monday, Mrs. Seals and Nuttall won their match with McCain and Corbin winning in the doubles. Also playing at Clovis were John Caldwell and Willard, Christian and Kim Ware, Whitcotton, Jeff Hromas and Mitchell.

In the Plainview tournament Friday, Willard and Caldwell, McCain and Corbin, Christian and Dian Roming will be competing in doubles events with Mitchell, Hromas, Ware, Whitcotton and Nuttall competing in singles events.



**SOME KIND OF WIND!...** High winds, with accompanying dust, continues to plague Bovina along with remainder of the Plains area as evidenced by this fallen tree in the Durward Bell's front yard on

Ridgelea Drive. The approximately 12-foot-tall pine tree broke off at the ground one recent windy day when gusts reached an estimated 50 miles per hour.

## HERE THURSDAY

# Kevin Smith, Horse Struck By Pickup

Kevin Smith, eight-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Smith, narrowly escaped serious injury Thursday afternoon in an accident at the intersection of Avenue D and Halsell Street.

The small part-Welch horse Kevin was riding bolted, running in front of a pickup driven by Kirby Carrell of Bovina. The horse was killed.

Kevin, a third grade student, was taken to Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona where he remained until Monday afternoon. He suffered a concussion, punctured lung and numerous bruises in the accident which occurred about 5:30 Thursday afternoon.

Two other Bovina youths also escaped with minor injuries in a

one vehicle accident Sunday afternoon on a country road about two miles north of Bovina.

Rickey Jamerson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Jamerson, and Eddie Don Lide, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Lide, escaped with minor injuries when the old-model pickup, driven by Eddie Don, went out of control, struck a dirt embankment and flipped end-over-end. Jamerson, who suffered a head laceration, was thrown from the pickup before it came to rest in an upright position. The two boys walked about a mile to the James Clayton home where they called for help.

Both were treated and dismissed later that afternoon at the Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona.

# Sticker Purchase Deadline April 1

Deadline for re-newing vehicle license registrations is 5 p.m. Thursday, April 1, according to Hugh Moseley, Parmer County tax assessor-collector.

Motorists may register vehicles after the deadline, however, they must certify the vehicles have not been driven since the last registration expired, Moseley said.

Rather than the new metal plates vehicle owners have been accustomed to purchasing, Texas vehicles this year sport a small red, white and blue validation sticker which is to be affixed to the area outlined in the upper left corner of the rear license plate.

Beginning in January '75, Texas instituted a new system of issuing new metal plates every five years and issuing the rectangular stickers for the interim years.

The renewal fees remain the same as in the past—\$12.50 for vehicles weighing up to 3,599 pounds, \$22.50 for vehicles between 3,600 and 4,500 pounds, and \$30.30 for those over 4,500 pounds.

Vehicle owners must bring their license renewal forms in order to purchase the stickers. If owners plan to purchase tags with a check, personalized checks must be used, Moseley stated.

# Hospital Report

Parmer County Community Hospital

## ADMISSIONS—

Eller Wilson, Hereford; Janie Vallejo, Hereford; Sarah Garcia, Hereford; Allie Bandy, Bovina; Mrs. Greg Hromas and baby boy, Bovina; Jerry Atchley, Friona; Clifford Crow, Friona; Nancy Mingus, Friona; Eva Jones, Friona; Concepcion Pargas and baby girl, Vega; Kevin Smith, Bovina; Jesse Orr, Clovis; Michael Guerra, Friona; Jewel Tabor, Bovina; Carmen Barbosa, Friona; J.L. Jones, Friona; Martha Carter, Friona; Mrs. Fulgencio Ortiz and baby boy, Texico; and Buddy Stowers, Friona.

## DISMISSALS—

Paul Juarez, Dolly Aldridge, Jennifer Lamb, Billie Homer, Eller Wilson, Clifford Crow, Sarah Garcia, Floyd Rector, Taft Lovett, Marilyn Aldava, J.L. Pruitt, Everette Christian, Jenny McFarland, Janie Vallejo, Mrs. Greg Hromas and baby boy, J.L. Jones, Jewel Tabor, Concepcion Pargas and baby girl, Carmen Barbosa, Kevin Smith and Michael Guerra.

**PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL—**  
T.C. Gardner, Eva Jones, Jerry Atchley, Nancy Mingus, Martha Carter, Buddy Stowers, A.B. Wilkinson, Allie Bandy, Linda Spencer, Sam Aldridge, Dora Verner, Jessie Orr and Brenda Ortiz and baby boy.

## Rites Held Here For Jack Baker

Graveside services for Jack Miner Baker, 87, of Bovina were held Monday afternoon in the Bovina Cemetery with Rev. Howard Marcom, pastor of the First United Methodist Church, officiating. Parsons-Ellis Funeral Home of Friona was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Baker died at 8:20 p.m. Saturday in West Plains Medical Center in Muleshoe.

A native of Naples, Mr. Baker had lived in Bovina 60 years. Previously, he had lived in Muleshoe. He was a retired salesman.

Survivors include two sisters, Mrs. Jesse Unsell and Mrs. Lucille Elliott, both of El Paso.

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# Tennis Teams Compete Against Area Schools

Bovina tennis teams have competed recently against teams from Friona and Clovis, according to Mrs. Judy Seals, coach of the teams. The teams will be competing in a tournament at Plainview Friday with District 3-A matches set Friday, April 2, at Kress, according to Mrs. Seals.

In matches at Friona Monday of last week, Bovina netters won one match and lost five. Duane Mitchell defeated Mark Neill, 6-4 and 9-7, in singles. Dennis Willard and Greg Corbin were defeated, 6-2, 6-2, by

## School Lunch Menu

March 29-April 2

**MONDAY**—Green enchilada casserole, pork and beans, yeast cornbread, butter, applesauce, milk.

**TUESDAY**—Chicken and noodles, buttered corn, English peas, batter bread, butter, banana pudding, milk.

**WEDNESDAY**—Pizza, beans, lettuce and tomato salad, crackers, apricot halves, milk.

**THURSDAY**—Hamburgers, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, onions, potato chips, brownies, pear halves, milk.

**FRIDAY**—Fish sticks, macaroni and cheese, green beans, hot rolls, butter, cherry cobbler, milk.

# Deadline Set For Transfers

Students living in other school districts who desire to transfer to Bovina Independent School District have until Saturday, May 1, to do so, announces Bovina Schools Superintendent L.F. Jacobs.

Forms requesting transfer may be filled out at Jacobs' office at Ridgelea Schools. Applications for transfer are subject to approval by the local school district, Jacobs says.

He pointed out that this process does not apply to those who have recently moved into the district since no transfer is required if residence is in the Bovina district.