

"MY TURN"

By
Carol Ellis



WELCOME TO THE new decade. You thought that was last year, didn't you? So did I! The new year of 1991, according to some, is actually the start of the 90s decade. Eggheads claim that the year just past, 1990, was actually the last of the 80s decade, rather than the first of the 90s. (Eggheads are those intellectual snobs who are overly aware that they are smarter than everybody else.)

With that thought in mind, the year 1999 will not be the last year of this century and the year 2000 will not be the turn of the next century, but I'll bet just about everybody (except a few eggheads) will be celebrating a big one at midnight on December 31, 1999.

It's almost as confusing as that twice yearly time change thing: Spring forward, Fall back. Or is it the other way around? I continue to be mixed up about that one and twice each year I manage to spring backward and fall flat on my face.

Or how about that age-old question, "Which came first, the chicken or the egg?" Has anyone come up with the answer to that one yet?

Then there's the age-old remedy, "Starve a cold and feed a fever." Or is it the other way around? Neither remedy seems to have worked very well. I read where the Research Center for the Cure of the Common Cold finally closed in defeat last year after 44 years.

Is the glass half empty or half full? Is the sky partly cloudy or partly sunny? What's the difference in mayonnaise and salad dressing?

Continuing with life's confusing little enigmas: How come the bank is always glad to lend you some money as long as you already have quite a bit of it in your account? But if you don't have any, they charge you overdraft fees. If you don't have any, then you can't pay the fees, and if you do have it, then you don't need the loan in the first place.

Are concave lenses the ones you get in your glasses if you are farsighted and convex lenses the ones you get if you are nearsighted? Or is it the other way around? And are concave the ones that curve out and convex the ones that curve in or vice versa? If you are nearsighted does that mean when things are way off that you can see them real good? Or if you are farsighted does that mean that you can't read things up close very well? Or does it just mean that you need glasses the size of portholes so the optometrist can prescribe quad-focals?

Have you been to Carlsbad Caverns lately? Are stalagmites the ones growing up from the bottom of the cave and the ones hanging from the top are stalagmites because they "might" clonk you in the head if you don't watch where you are going? Or are the stalagmites the ones hanging "tight" to the ceiling and the stalagmites "might" grow up to meet them in the middle? Or is it the other way around?

What is the noon meal called at your house and what is the one called that you eat after 5 p.m.? In this region, most of us eat dinner at noon, but hoity folks like to eat dinner in the evening. If that's the case, then when do we eat supper?

Geography quiz: Is the polar region at the bottom (south) of the world globe the Arctic or the Antarctic? If it is the Antarctic then why isn't the one at the top called the Proarctic?

Well, you know by now that I'm not one of those eggheads who gets all the right questions to the answers on Jeopardy or I wouldn't be confused about all this stuff. Perhaps by the year 2000 or by the turn of the century (whichever comes first), the eggheads of the world will have figured out what's what and have us all straightened out. I'm looking forward to it.

UNCLE AUSTIN SAYS: You never get a second chance to make a good first impression.

Names Are Added To Project Xmas

A total of \$1,183.00 was raised this year through the Christmas Card Project, sponsored annually by the Bovina Woman's Study Club.

Funds collected over this holiday season have been designated for the Bovina Ambulance fund.

Names of those who contributed were listed on the First Bank ad in the Christmas edition of the Blade, but several names were not listed for one reason or another.

They were: Don and Gladys Spring, Ovid and Doris Lawlis, Galdino Garcia and family, Marian and Dixie Carson and family, Al and Jeanne Kerby, Billy and Doris Sides, Phillip, Frances and Penny Johnson, Dickie, Bonnie and Chad Clayton, Idella Owens, Gene and Barbara Lowe, A.M. and Mary Jane Wilson, Ethel Johnson, Joe and Sue Fowler, Burry and LaVerne Thatcher and Bob and Sarah Owen.

City Gets Funds For Fire Equipment

Parmer County Commissioners designated \$22,000 for use by county fire departments in its regular meeting of December 21.

Precinct 1 (Friona) and Precinct 2 (Bovina) each were awarded a \$10,000 certificate of deposit for their "fire protection contingency funds."

Commissioner Tom Ware said that the cities involved were expected to match the \$10,000 for purchase of a new fire truck.

"We have been approached a number of times by the cities on this matter, and we happened to have some extra money in our Right of Way fund at the end of the year, and this much was earmarked for fire protection," Commissioner Ware said.

In addition, Precincts 1 and 2 were distributed \$15,000 from the R.O.W. fund, to be used in their Farm-to-Market road budgets.

Also, Precinct 4 will receive \$25,000 from the R.O.W. fund, with distribution as follows: \$21,000 to the Precinct 4 account; \$2,000 to the Lazbuddie Fire Department and \$2,000 to the Lazbuddie EMS.

In other business, bids were opened for new pickups for Precincts 1, 2 and 4.

A motion was passed to accept the bid in the amount of \$15,585 for a Chevrolet 3/4 ton 4x4 for Precinct 2.

Another motion was passed to reject the bids for Precincts 1 and 4, with new bids solicited for supercab pickups. These bids are to be opened on January 14, 1991.

Friona Motors was the successful bidder on the pickup approved for Precinct 2.

Discussion was held regarding county insurance policies to be renewed in February. Three insurance companies, Ethridge-Spring Agency of Friona; McCallum Agency of Bovina and Town & Country Insurance of Farwell, are to meet with the court on January 14 to discuss the policies.

The Diana Lumbrera arrest and murder case in Kansas, along with a near-record cotton crop, were highlights of the local happenings during 1990.

Following are the year's highlights, as reported in the pages of the Bovina Blade:

JANUARY

The local Christmas Card fund, sponsored by the Bovina Woman's Club, donated to the Ambulance Fund, amounted to \$1,527.

Scott Scaff, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Scaff, received several honors and has been chosen to play in the Class A state all-star basketball game.

The Whitecotts' Bovina Supermarket has been sold and will now be the Pay-n-Save group with Affiliated Foods and will be managed by Jeff Steelman.

Construction is underway for

Motion was passed to pay a bill in the amount of \$218 for clothing for a foster child.

Approval for payment of \$128.94 to Southwestern Public Service Co. and \$99.08 to Energas for utilities owed by an indigent. Another motion approved a bill for \$134.96 in telephone company expenses owed by an indigent.

A separate motion approved expenses of \$78.43 to Southwestern Public Service and \$99.08 to Energas for another indigent.

The court approved appointments to the Parmer County Historical Society.

Approval of a bill from Sherrill Lumber Co. in the amount of \$570.78 for repairs in the storage area at the courthouse.

Area Hit By Cold Weather

After experiencing the coldest December temperatures on record in the local area, the weather has once again been cold in the new year.

The mercury dropped to a low of -7 on December 23, and staying below ten degrees for three consecutive days, the weather warmed up and residents enjoyed a high of 64 on New Year's Day.

But freezing drizzle was experienced here Thursday and Friday, with Friday especially being hazardous.

TEMPERATURES

Date	Hi-Low
Saturday, December 29	57-31
Sunday, December 30	33-02
Monday, December 31	47-03
Tuesday, January 1	58-19
Wednesday, January 2	64-20
Thursday, January 3	57-16
Friday, January 4	29-16
Moisture: .01 Dec. 29; .01 Dec. 30. Freezing drizzle Jan. 3 and 4.	

News Highlights For 1990 Given

the new Bovina High School gymnasium.

FEBRUARY

Five inches of snow draped the town of Bovina causing accidents on the icy roads.

The Emergency Care Attendant course will begin Sunday.

Robert Guevara and Melissa Dalton were crowned Basketball King and Queen.

Robert Dustin is Bovina's first baby for 1990 and is the son of Dale and De-An Turner, born February 3.

The McCain brothers, sons of Rose and Les McCain, were in New York and taped promotional spots with the Good Morning America crew.

A month long investigation has ended with the arrest of six men and delivery charges of cocaine.

Funeral services were held for P.O. Dixon, 95, a long time resident of Bovina.



ATTEND MEETING...Pictured are a group of people who spoke to residents on December 20 about options on how to deal with solid wastes in Bovina. Mayor Keith Knight and Bob Owen are standing behind the group and left to right, they are: Homer Cluck, owner of Misso and private hauler; John Kiel and Gary Pittner, directors on the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission, and Linda Wyatt, district director of the Department of Health.

Crowd Hears City's Dump Site Problem

In spite of a chilly night on December 20, about fifty citizens gathered at the EMS building on Third Street to hear about options that the City of Bovina has in taking care of its solid waste.

Linda Wyatt of Lubbock, who is with the State Health Department, spoke to the group about what could be done. Bovina now spends \$105 per ton to take care of the waste, but will have to change things as new regulations will be out perhaps in January.

A film was shown at the meeting about how a small town in Montana took care of their problems back in 1988. Mrs. Wyatt explained about our problem with landfills and how, up until now, we've either burned our trash or dumped it in a caliche pit. Now we must realize and follow regulations that will be out in 1991.

She explained that every landfill will have to have a heavy plastic liner and be capped. This will be very expensive. The sites will be attended. There will be no burning, no liquid and material in the landfills will be treated as hazardous. The cost will be going up if we put the waste in the ground.

We must upgrade or change what we do. Residents will stop using things with multiple wrapping, use up and minimize waste that we generate. We have to look at our needs, opposed to our wants and the alternative is recycling.

Ms. Wyatt pointed out that residents could haul to another town and the towns around here

with landfills are Amarillo, Hereford, Canyon and yard waste can be used. Individuals can make their own compost for fertilizer to be used in their yards and gardens.

If the landfill is put in Bovina, it would be very expensive because it would have to be lined with heavy plastic and capped with three feet of clay to seal it. This would cost from \$25,000 to \$50,000 for every trench that would measure 50x100 feet.

The city needs to decide soon, if they choose to close the landfill that we have because in order to have it remain where it is, we must put plastic in it and cap the trenches.

If the people decide to close the landfill, the public must be notified, a date will have to be set to last accept waste, then it will be covered and an affidavit will be filed at the County Clerk's office. This usually can be done in a week or less.

It was explained that any solution will be more costly than in the past. We must look for avenues for our community to work together.

Bob Owen introduced a private hauler who explained to the group about what he does for different towns. He could place at least 30 cans to a town and each can would take care of four families. These would be picked up once a week and taken to the landfills at Hereford, Canyon and Amarillo.

A representative of the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission spoke to the group and said he would assist cities to carry out the program and explained how we need to work together to deal with our solid waste problems.

There will be another meeting in January and residents will be given more information and decisions will be made at that time as to how we will deal with our waste problems in Bovina.

As of Thursday,
Jan. 3, a total of
76,852
Bales of cotton had been
ginned in Parmer County.



TOP YOUTH...Randy Stone and Libby Marshall were chosen last Thursday night as the city's Outstanding Youth for 1990. Posing with the couple is Bob Owen, who holds a plaque presented to him as "Educator of the Year." Owen is Superintendent of the Bovina ISD.

MARCH

Gene Scott passed away and services were held March 8.

The American Legion Hall will be renovated and used for the Bovina Emergency Service Center.

Larry Buchanan is banquet entertainer at the Chamber of Commerce Banquet.

The auction sale for the annual Parmer County Jr. Livestock Show hit an all time high at \$87,314.

Mike Beauchamp and Pam Bell were chosen Man and Woman of the Year by the Chamber of Commerce.

Randy Stone and Libby Marshall were chosen Outstanding Youth for 1990 at the Chamber banquet.

Dr. Michael Jansen was named superintendent for Bovina ISD and comes from Texarkana, Texas.

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REFLECTIONS

....from the files of The Bovina Blade

35 YEARS AGO--JAN. 11, 1956

Cost of tying onto Bovina's new sewer system was discussed at the January meeting of the city commission of Bovina. Work on the sewer disposal plant is nearing completion.

Twenty-seven houses were built in Bovina in 1955, according to a report compiled by Roy Fuller, assistant water superintendent for the city. In addition, the Bovina School building was completed and four new business buildings were constructed, including one gin, and six old houses that were vacant became occupied.

The Bovina Fillies brought home the first place trophy from Farwell's invitational tournament by defeating three strong opponents--Lazbuddie, Vega and Farwell.

Bovina's Mustangs lost their first basketball game of the 1955-56 season and with it, the first tournament of the three in which they have played Saturday night in the finals of the Farwell tournament. The determined Farwell Steers topped the Mustangs by a decisive count of 83-70.

John Wayne and Lauren Becall were featured in "Blood Alley" at the Mustang Theater in Bovina.

30 YEARS AGO--JAN. 11, 1961

The highway department's new building on East Highway 86 in Bovina is slowly taking shape. Unfavorable weather conditions have hampered construction.

Bovina High School seniors have received a compliment. Mrs.

R.B. Tucker, school counselor here and at Farwell, says the class has been graded "considerably above" national average. This was determined by nationwide achievement tests given to senior students.

A three-pound can of name-brand shortening was selling for 65 cents and bacon was priced at \$1.09 for a two-pound package at Wilson's Super Market.

Charlotte Hromas and Kay Looney, the Bovina Starlighters, won first place in the ensemble division of the talent show at Muleshoe. Mrs. John Wilson accompanied the girls at the piano.

25 YEARS AGO--JAN. 12, 1966

Bovina voters will decide Saturday on a \$100,000 bond election which, if it carries, will provide water system improvements, more paved streets, and long-term financing for major city facilities and equipment.

Jake Jacobs began his new duties as principal of Bovina High School this week. Jacobs came here from Tahoka, where he was elementary principal and high school athletic director.

Parmer County friends of Sheriff Charlie Lovelace will honor the veteran law enforcement official with an appreciation night January 27. Sheriff Lovelace, who will have served 20 years in the office when his present term expires in 1968, will be presented an engraved watch in the Bovina School auditorium. A reception will follow in the school cafeteria.

A three-pound can of shortening sold for 69 cents and two pounds of sausage was selling at 59 cents at Wilson's Super Market.

20 YEARS AGO--JAN. 13, 1971

Temperatures were the main item of conversation in Bovina last week as the extreme cold affected most people in the area. Near zero temperatures and high winds plunged the chill index to 46 below zero with snow and ice covering the ground and streets in Bovina.

A water pipe in the ceiling of St. Ann's Parish Hall burst during the cold spell, flooding the building with about four inches of water.

A wire on a main distribution line contracted in the zero weather, snapping into at a point where it had been spliced creating a city-wide blackout for about 30 minutes. Also, two minor home fires were attributed to the weather.

15 YEARS AGO--JAN. 7, 1976

Gaylon Rhodes was re-elected fire chief of the Bovina Volunteer Fire Department at a regular meeting.

Hugh Moseley has authorized The Blade to announce his candidacy for nomination to the office of Parmer County Tax Assessor-Collector.

A ping pong tournament, sponsored by the Bovina Jaycees, has been scheduled for this week.

The Bovina Jaycees have begun preparations for the Little Dribblers Basketball League this year, according to Lowell Boozer, president.

10 YEARS AGO--JAN. 8, 1981

Funeral services were held for Aubrey Brock, 77, who had lived in Bovina for 51 years.

The Bovina Restaurant will soon be opening and will be managed by Floyd and Ann Lee Englant.

Kelli, daughter of Larry and Donna Mitchell, will enter the Lubbock hospital for surgery on one of her eyes.

5 YEARS AGO--JAN. 8, 1986

Officer Randy Hudson was hired by the Bovina Police Department and began his duties December 31.

EMT courses will be taught locally and will run through April. D.W. Pierson and his wife, Alma, turned over a truck and spilled 40,000 pounds of corn. The couple was not injured and the truck belonged to Tom Caldwell.

The Bovina Mustangs placed third in their own invitational tournament during the past weekend.

Ambulance Party Held

The members of the Bovina Ambulance crew had a Christmas meal and party at the EMS building on the night of December 18.

Following the meal, the group played games and visited. Those at the party were Kevin and Susan Hughes, Clay and Penny Dutton, Tami Kunselman, Scooter Russell, Bill and Honey Gist, Angie Riley, John and Estella Ortiz, Gene and Barbara Lowe, Don and Gladys Spring, Martha Garner, Larry and Donna Mitchell, Layle Sealy, Mike Beauchamp, Burry and LaVerne Thatcher.



SPRING FAMILY...Members of Dr. Paul Spring's family are shown at Sunday's reception honoring the longtime local doctor. From the left are Susie, Dr. Paul, June, Christy, Johnny and Travis.

Flashbacks



WINTER WONDERLAND....Residents woke Sunday morning to about an inch of snow that made trees and shrubs very pretty. Pictured is the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Kelso.



LAURA KATHLEEN GILBREATH, daughter of Chuck and Joyce Gilbreath, celebrated her first birthday December 14. She was honored with a party at her home Saturday, December 15. Grandparents are Billy and Katherine Harbison and Charles and Isai-ell Gilbreath, all of Bovina. Laura's great-grandmother is Mrs. W.H. Burkett of Harlingen.

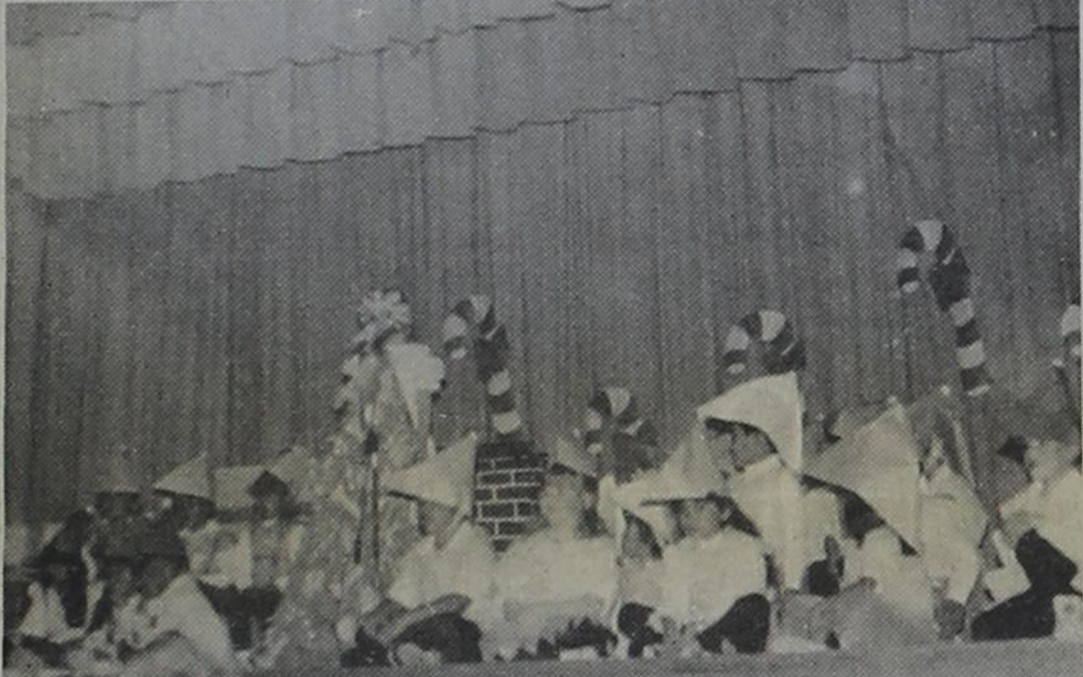
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FIRST GRADE PLAY....Members of the first grade classes presented a Christmas play. Sitting are members of the class and standing is Christen Stowers reciting. She is the daughter of Roy Lee and Dorothy Stowers.



RETIRING....Pictured is Harry J. Charles, left, with an employee for many years, Pat Kunselman. Saturday was Pat's last day at Charles Oil Company. He worked for Charles from 1950-62, 1968-76 and again from 1980-90. Charles has sold the company and is remaining for a time as consultant.

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By CAROL DeLEON
 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, there now maybe I am ready to write the correct numbers for the new year. It always takes me a couple of months to get used to it, so maybe that broke me in.
 Hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. I think all of us at Prairie Acres did. It looks different around here with all the decorations taken down, but we will just have to put up something else to fill the empty spots. The residents enjoyed the extra visits with family and friends and I think everyone got a nice gift to remember the Christmas of 1990.

I have several "thank you's" to mention for the last two weeks and they include: the family of Ida Hadley for the candy that the staff enjoyed; Tom O'Brian from the magazines; the G.A.'s from the First Baptist Church for bringing the Christmas door decorations; the family of Ealen Gage for the "party mix" that they brought for the staff; Roscoe Parr for coming up in Santa attire and going room to room to visit with the residents (we really do appreciate the time he spent doing this); and to Mrs. Scott's art class for bringing the snowflakes and hanging them up.
 I want once again to mention what a wonderful little community we live in with such caring and generous people to do things such as I have just mentioned. Thanks again!

The following donations have been made to the Love Fund:

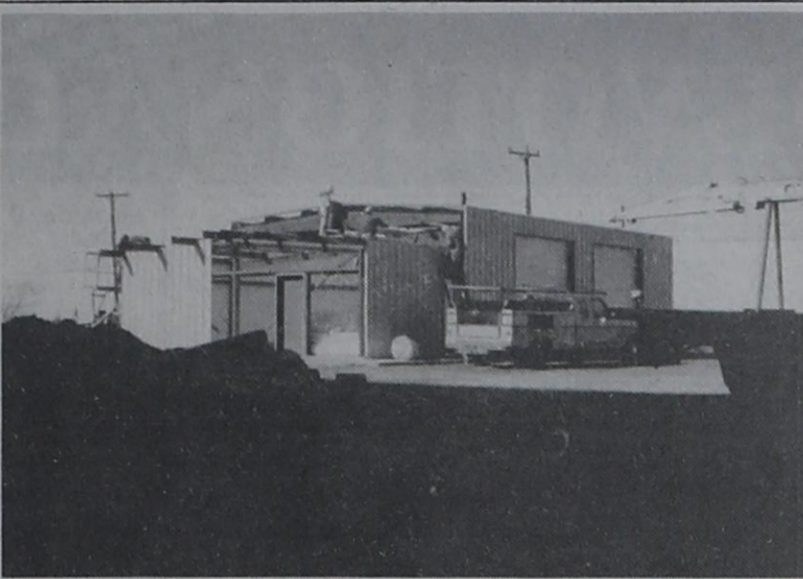
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Good character is more to be praised than outstanding talent. Most talents are, to some extent, a gift. Good character, by contrast, is not given to us. We have to build it piece by piece--by thought, choice, courage and determination.

--John Luther



NEW BUILDING....A new building is being built along U.S. Highway 60 in Bovina. The building belongs to Deaf Smith County Electric Company in Hereford. The facility will house the equipment and vehicles used by the company.

S. Hromas' Rites Held Locally

Funeral services for Sophia Hromas, 99, were conducted at the First Baptist Church in Bovina December 23, with Rev. Richard Grisham, pastor, officiating.

Burial was in Bovina Cemetery, under the direction of Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home.

Mrs. Hromas passed away December 20, 1990 at Parmer County Community Hospital.

She was born July 15, 1891 in Houston to Mr. and Mrs. J.F. Pesch. On September 9, 1914, she married Earnest Arnold Hromas in Albany.

The Hromas and Pesch families moved to Parmer County in 1920 from Van Zandt County.

She was a homemaker and was a member of the First Baptist Church of Bovina. She was described as "Always a willing and helpful neighbor."

Her husband, Earnest Arnold, was a well-known carpenter in the area. His son Arnold and grandson Galen are still carrying on this family tradition. Earnest had three brothers, Frank, Joe and Bill, and all were farmer-carpenters.

Survivors include one son,



SOPHIA HROMAS

Arnold of Bovina; and one daughter, Ernestine Lovell of Fort Worth; three sisters, Mary Pesch and Frances Thane, both of Stamford, and Julia Leake of Bovina.

Two brothers also survive: Lewis Pesch of Phoenix, Arizona and Joe Pesch of Bovina; seven grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Evelyn in 1969, and her husband Earnest on December 2, 1973.

Pallbearers were Joe Ed Pesch, Glenn Hromas, Joe Wesley Hromas, Tommy Williams, Robert Pesch, Don Pesch, Eddie Gayle Steelman and Brad Hromas.

Chieftains Lose Two In Tourney

The FHS Chieftain basketball team lost both of their starts at the Sudan Holiday basketball tournament last weekend.

The team dropped a 58-56 game to Crosbyton on Thursday, and then fell to Muleshoe, 62-61 in the second round.

The team had a good start against Crosbyton on Thursday. David Barnett and Charlie Snead each scored three baskets (one three-pointer apiece), to pace the Chieftains to a 20-12 first quarter lead.

Snead, Barnett, Koby Rogers and Steven Dickson all scored well in the second quarter, and Friona was holding a 39-32 halftime lead.

Too bad the Chiefs had to take a halftime break.

The team came out and scored only nine third-quarter points and Crosbyton's brand of Chiefs took a 50-48 lead, and Friona couldn't regain their momentum.

Barnett led Friona's scoring with 16 points; Warren Duke had 14 and Snead 11.

On Friday, the team once again had a good start. Dickson and Snead scored early points, as Friona trailed, 18-17 at the end of the first quarter.

Brian Herring and Chad Hamilton each had five-point efforts as the Chiefs took a 35-31 lead at intermission.

Muleshoe came back to outscore the Chiefs, 15-12 and 16-14 to snare the win by one point.

Herring, Rogers and Duke each scored nine points as Friona failed to land a player in double figure scoring.

The tourney action left the boys' season record at 8-9.

Crosbyton 58, CHIEFS 56
 Brian Herring 1-0-2; David Barnett 5-2*-0-16; Steven Dickson 1-2-4; Chad Hamilton 1-0-2; Koby Rogers 1-1*-2-7; Charlie Snead 4-1*-0-11; Warren Duke 6-3-15.

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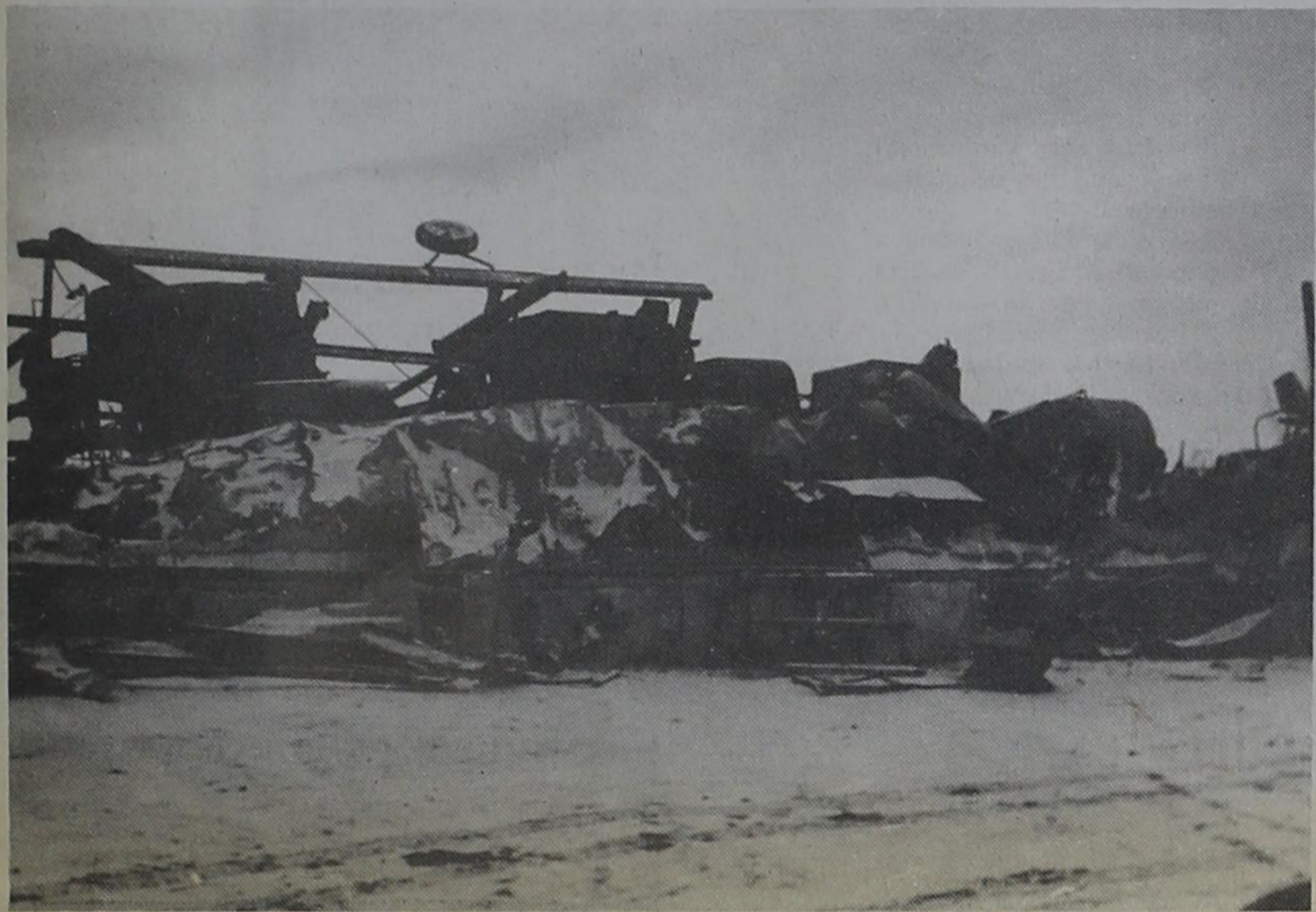
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Scooter's Scoops

By Scooter Russell



NATURAL FLOCKING...Several days lately, residents have been treated by seeing their trees and shrubs with a natural coating of ice. Some reports have been given of limbs broken due to the extra weight of the ice.



MOBILE HOME BURNED...Pictured are the remains of a 12x52 mobile home belonging to Norvel Strawn that burned early on December 22 at 4:30 a.m. It was determined the fire was caused from a faulty heater that was left on. Residents moved from the trailer that day.

We hope your first week of 1991 was a good one and the whole year is a happy one for you and your family.

Cold weather has prevailed during the holidays and a pretty light snow Sunday morning caused a winter wonderland in town.

During the holidays, many enjoyed company or went visiting or both. Jim and I enjoyed Christmas Eve dinner with the Kunselmans then drove to Moriarty, New Mexico and spent Christmas with my brothers, their families and my mother.

On Christmas Eve, we drove to Tucumcari and the roads were closed until the next day. It was a beautiful snowy country and really looked like Christmas. We left on the following Thursday and the roads were closed the next day after we left for awhile. Had a great time!

We express our sympathies to the family of Sophia Hromas, who passed away shortly before Christmas. She was survived by one son, Arnold, and one daughter, Ernestine Lovell of Fort Worth, and several grandchildren, also three sisters and two brothers. One of her brothers is Joe Pesch who lives in Bovina. This is always sad so near holidays. She was a lovely person and will be greatly missed.

Rick Kunselman and family came from Killeen for the holidays. Their family had Christmas Eve dinner in Bovina and Christmas Day, went to Amherst and had a big Christmas dinner with Rick's cousin, Dolores and Don Carter, and several members of their family were on hand for a good time. Rick and K.C. and daughters were in Bovina with Rick's parents, Pat and Pat Kunselman.

Les and Rose McCain had a good time when they drove to Oklahoma and spent Christmas with Ben, Butch and Betty.

Pam Clark called and said she and husband, Mel, wanted to say "thanks" to the Bovina Fire Department for taking good care of all of us!

They were at their store on Highway 60 the other night when a man drove by and said there was a fire about five miles out. The fire department was called and she said they watched and three minutes later one fire truck went around the corner and five minutes later the other one went out.

She just wanted to remind residents how lucky we are in Bovina to have such a fine bunch of guys working on the fire department. By the way, they were called out December 22 at 4:30 a.m. with temperatures below zero and high winds to put out a trailer fire. They were there until 6:30 a.m. They do a good job and are very much appreciated although

we fail to tell them sometimes. Anyway, thanks fellows!!

Mr. and Mrs. Zeferino Villarreal had several of their children home for the holidays and have talked to their sons in Saudi Arabia. Their son, Richard, called his wife, Elida, on Sunday and Monday morning and their son, David, also called from Saudi Arabia.

Mrs. Villarreal said David was telling her about a young Kuwait boy about four years old who kept staying close to him. David bought the youngster a Coke and could speak their language. Finally the young lad handed him a piece of money something like our dollar bills. David asked what it was for and the young child said, "We know you are here to help get our people out of Kuwait and this is for you to get my dad out. Me and mama are here waiting."

Family members with the Villarreal during the holidays were Eddie and Dollie and children of Farwell; Norma, Anna, George and Nikki and family, Joseph and Dora and children of Amarillo; and Zeff and Mary and children, also of Amarillo.

Rouel and Thelma Barron had all of their children with them for Christmas with the exception of two grandchildren. Their son, Donald Ray and Wanette, came from Tucson, Arizona; their three daughters, Marissa, Beth and Shari and Shari's husband, Andy. Also with them were the Barrons' other son, Jerry, and his daughter, Stacey, of the Fort Worth area. They enjoyed a good time together.

Irma Jo Englant was hospitalized in Friona on December 26 and remained a patient until last Monday, December 31, suffering from viral pneumonia. She said she is still having to take it easy for a few days. The Englands had both their daughters with them for the holidays. Their daughter, Carissa, and family came from Kansas and their daughter, Devanee, and husband Galen came from Amarillo.

Hugo and Peggy Falkenberg enjoyed having all of their family with them for the holidays. Their daughter, Trudy and Roy Hartzog, and daughters, Amy and Ashley; and Charles and Kathy Falkenberg. The next day after Christmas, Peggy and Hugo went to Petersburg and visited with Peggy's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Scarborough.

Bill and Donna Beth Draper of Kirkland AFB and daughters, April and Angela, came a week ago Friday and stayed until New Year's with Donna Beth's parents, Edwin and Esta Lee Lide.

Visitors in the home of Edwin and Esta Lee Lide for Christmas Day were their son, Eddie Don, and his family of Bovina and Edwin's dad, Wiley Lide; Esta Lee's mom, Rosa Roberts; and their niece, Karen Lattimer of Lockney.

THINK ABOUT IT: We are reminded that God's gift to us is the promise of His continuing presence with us. It is through the Christmas event that God more clearly expressed His love for us. After receiving the gift of Christ, we in turn, can love others. Have a wonderful new year!

Company Honors Top Employees

Friona Transport, Inc. honored its employees with a Christmas banquet December 15 at R&D's Restaurant in Friona.

Five drivers were presented checks totalling \$1,500, and in addition, the "Shop Hand of the Year" received a \$250 award.

"Driver of the Year" was Joaquin Lopez. He received a \$500 check and a "Driver of the Year" belt buckle.

Second place in the drivers' competition went to Fermin Rosas. He received a check for \$400.00. Third place was won by H.R. Denney, a \$300.00 award.

Fourth place was won by James Fleeks. He received a check for \$200.00, and fifth place went to David O'Connor, a \$100.00 check.

Second through fourth place drivers all received plaques in addition to their cash awards.

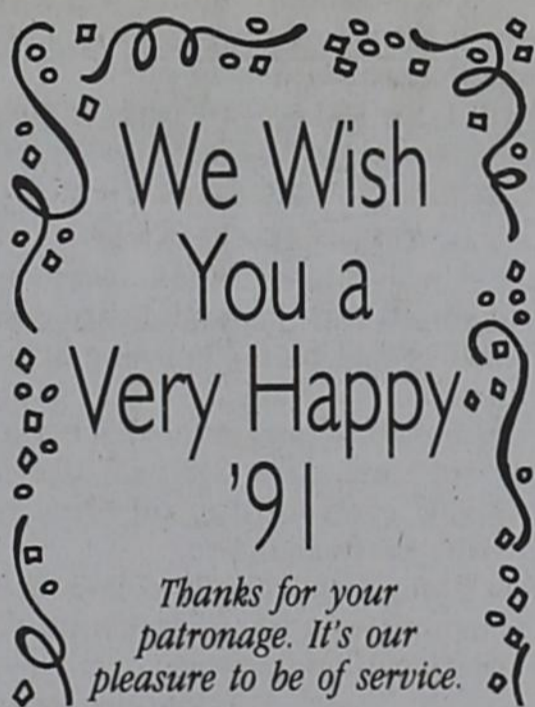
Luis Pena was named "Shop Hand of the Year." He received a check for \$250.00 and a "Shop Hand of the Year" belt buckle. Drivers had to be employed at

Friona Transport for at least 12 months, and must have had no tickets or accidents the past 12 months. They were also graded on care of their equipment, efficient loads hauled, improvement in fuel mileage, and attitude, including timeliness, courtesy to customers and fellow employees, personal appearance, paperwork and tending to business.

The shop hands had to also be employed for at least 12 months. They were charted on proficiency at their job; care of tools and equipment and attitude.

Fifteen drivers received a \$100 savings bond and safety awards for 12 months of accident and ticket-free driving. They were:

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Blade News Headlines...

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APRIL

Corey Kirkpatrick and Cain Neal qualified at the six-man regional track meet in Plainview and will be competing in Stephenville.

Linda Martinez was elected president of the Bovina PTA at the year's final meeting.

A reception was held for Dr. Jansen, new superintendent for the high school.

The young girls qualifying for the six-man track meet were Lorena Saenz, Christina Noriega, Stephanie Rackley and Donna Griggs.

MAY

Don Cumpton, former resident, was the guest speaker at the Athletic Banquet.

Ted Stallings was critically injured when his plane crashed while spraying forest land in Pennsylvania.

A former Bovina resident has been charged with first degree murder in the death of her young child in Garden City, Kansas.

Libby Marshall is the class

valedictorian with a four-year average of 95.55. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Lynn Marshall.

Rosalva Anaya is the class salutatorian with an average of 95.05. She is the daughter of Jesus and Rosa Anaya.

Joe Torres and Elaine Garza were chosen as Band Sweetheart and Beau.

Father Timothy Dran was honored with a reception to celebrate his 40th year in the priesthood.

JUNE

Dr. Paul Spring will be retiring after more than 40 years of general medical practice in Friona.

Kody Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kregg Wilson, will be recognized at a ceremony sponsored by the Duke University Talent Identification program to salute the talented.

Diana Lumbrera has been on trial for the murder of her four-year-old son and authorities are now investigating the deaths of her five other children and a cousin's child.

Steve Venable is the new pastor at First United Methodist Church.

JULY

An estimated 300 people turned out for the July 4th celebration held at City Park.

Manuel Porras, son of Carmen Porras, will participate in the Texas 6-man All Star Football Game in Stephenville.

Construction of the long-awaited four-lane facility on U.S. Highway 60 through Parmer County will begin on July 23.

It was announced that in the past sixteen years, through the Coffee Blood Center, residents have donated 452 pints of blood.

Andy Stormes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Stormes, brought back a medal, patch and two certificates when he entered an International Skeet Shoot in San Antonio.

Sophia Hromas was honored with a reception on her 99th birthday.

AUGUST

Concrete is being poured for front walkways on the ambulance building and work is almost finished.

Marko Lesic of Yugoslavia is an exchange student who came to Bovina and will live with the Neal family.

Lars Christiansen of Denmark came to Bovina this month and is an exchange student who will be living with Charles and Nancy Walters.

Rock Stanley is Bovina High School's head football coach and moved here from Whitewright, near Dallas.

A new business has opened its doors and is the Yankee Cafe, managed by Tom and Julie Ziegler.

SEPTEMBER

Parmer County's population has dropped 10.94 per cent from 1980-1990, according to figures released this week.

Jerry Atchley, chief deputy sheriff, has retired from office.

The First United Methodist Church marks 85 years as a church in Bovina.

Kenneth Waters is the new manager of Charles Oil and Gas, Inc., originally Charles Oil, owned by Harry J. Charles.

A NASA balloon was seen in the area Wednesday.

OCTOBER

Diana Lumbrera was convicted



OWNERSHIP CHANGE... Billy and Paula Whitecotton, left, have sold Bovina Supermarket to Roger Lowe, far right. Jeff Steelman, second from right, will continue as store manager, and all other store employees will remain. The store will now be in the Pay & Save group with Affiliated Foods.

by a jury in Kansas for killing her four-year-old son.

Officer Gary Coleman and his wife, Sue, were honored with a reception to wish them well as they move to the Houston area.

A fire at Paco Feed Yard caused a family to lose all their belongings and their home.

Frances Willard was among a select group of America's teachers and was listed in Who's Who Among America's Teachers.

Houston Bartlett was the winner in the 26th annual First Freeze Contest.

NOVEMBER

Robert Guevara and Virginia Noriega were crowned Football King and Queen.

Ted Blair is the new police chief and moved here from New Boston, Texas.

Donations raised at a spaghetti dinner, sponsored by the ambulance crew, amounted to \$1,362 and will be used to help with paving around the EMS building.

Gene Hawkins, director of missions for the Lubbock Baptist Area, received special recognition at the Bovina Baptist Church for 40 years in the ministry.

Open House was held at the new Emergency Medical Center and 150 people attended.

The Mustang Theatre was torn



GRAND PRIZE WINNER... Mike Read was the winner of the 1990 Bovina Blade Football Contest. He is being presented his check for \$100 by Scooter Russell of the Blade.

down this week and burned. It was built in the 1950s. An ordinance has been passed by the City Council to tear down the old buildings and the theatre was the first to go.

DECEMBER

Cotton harvest is in full swing this week and promises to be a good harvest for the farmers. As of Wednesday, November 28, a total of 39,141 bales of cotton had

been ginned in Parmer County. A part of the vegetable shed on Highway 60 in Bovina was another one of the old buildings that was destroyed this week.

Pleasant season is underway but birds are scarce this year due to the dry conditions in our area.

Mike Read was the winner of the annual football contest and received \$100 from the Bovina Blade.



BOVINA HONORS... Mike Beauchamp and Pam Bell were honored Thursday by the Bovina Chamber of Commerce as the community's Man and Woman of the Year.

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Bonnie Clayton
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