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City Strikes At Cattle, Old Autos

ONE GOOD THING that has come out of the farm strike, or American Agriculture Movement is the new political awareness that has been generated by the movement.

"The farmers went to Washington in an attempt to save agriculture. They came home intent on saving their country," said candidate Jim Reese in a recent visit to the county.

Political observers cannot remember when as much interest has been expressed at the grassroots of the political organizations—the precinct and county conventions.

All across the county, the precinct conventions were packed, with people not only interested, but prepared to offer resolutions, and to argue in their behalf. The same was true of the Democratic and Republican county conventions this past week.

A longtime Democratic leader remarked that this was a big improvement from the days when you had to call around on the day of the convention, to make sure you had enough party faithful at the precinct convention to elect your slate of delegates to the upcoming county convention.

As was indicated in the above statement concerning the farmers, in getting familiar with the political processes, and finding out what was going on, a number of folks who previously had not been that interested in politics are suddenly becoming well versed on such subjects as gun control laws, foreign investors bidding to take over certain industries, the "one-world" movement promulgated by the Trilateral commission, along with several others.

Our nation was founded by basically a group of farmers, who carved from the wilderness the original farmsteads. It may be that our farmers have started the ball rolling toward getting our nation back under the control of its people, as it was originally established.

If this happens, then the farmers will have earned the most profitable return they could have ever achieved on their investment.

ON THE SUBJECT of farmers, we were given this bit of information, which they may wish to use to their benefit.

Next Wednesday, May 24, a special agricultural "Hot Line" will be operated, during which members of congress, particularly those interested in agriculture, will speak with callers on the subject "Agriculture today: What should the American people know about it?"

With all of the attention that has been focused on the farm situation in recent months, the Agriculture Council of America plans to communicate the facts about the current economic situation in agriculture.

Farmers, ranchers and ag-related businessmen nationwide are urged to express their views on the topic by calling ACA's toll-free number, 1-800-368-8050 on Wednesday, May 24, between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Information gathered will be used in a new comprehensive effort to communicate the facts about agriculture.

Tom Foley (D-Wash.), chairman of the House agriculture committee, and Senator Carl Curtis (R-Neb.), member of the senate agriculture committee, will head up the panel of experts on the farm economy that will answer the phones and speak with callers. They will be joined by other members of Congress who deal directly with farm and food issues, and spokesmen for the White House and USDA.

Those unable to complete their calls will be asked to put their comments in writing and mail them in so they will become a part of this fact-gathering program.

All cows, pigs, livestock and poultry of any sort will have to be moved outside the city limits of Bovina by May 29, according to a new ordinance passed Thursday night at the City Council meeting, Mayor Roland Lusk presiding.

According to another ordinance passed, all inoperable cars and trucks (at latest count 132) will also have to be removed or enclosed out of sight. And last but not least, the proposed 12 per cent rate increase by Southwestern Public Service was officially suspended until further information could be secured concerning banding together with other cities of the Panhandle to protest this hike and-or determine if a lower increase could be secured.

These were the highlights of the meeting, with all Councilmen, Rouel Barron, Fred O'Hair, Dale Gober, Larry Webb, Bedford Caldwell and City Manager Clayton Williamson in attendance. Complete unanimity of purpose was displayed as all matters attended to received a unanimous aye.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Finch and Mr. and Mrs. L.V. Pearson attended as interested citizens, opposing the ordinance banning livestock from the city limits. Finch asked for delay since raising hogs was the only extra money he could earn to keep his family alive and pay his bills. City Manager Clayton Williamson invited Finch to come to city hall in the morning as possibly there was something available for him under the Green Thumb program that could possibly replace his lost income.

Mrs. Finch wondered why it appeared that some people were not going to be affected by the new ordinance. Williamson explained

that a previous ordinance had protected these people until either the owner died or sold the property.

Pearson indicated reasons for opposition along the lines of Finch, and added that he had an extra burden of paying heavy doctor bills.

Marie Venable appeared on her own behalf to support the ordinance, asserting strong odors existed in her neighborhood from the number of animals being fed near her residence. After thorough discussion, the ordinance was passed unanimously that "the keeping or raising of any form of poultry, rabbits and hogs, cattle, sheep, goats or other form of livestock is hereby prohibited within the corporate limits of Bovina beginning May 29, 1978 and every day thereafter." Anyone in violation will be subject to penalties. Citations will be issued for non-compliance beginning at 1 p.m. on May 29.

The new ordinance is also so worded that it will affect and include the previous owners who had been exempt. Their exemption no longer is valid.

Junked or wrecked cars and trucks that are considered inoperable will also have to receive the heave-ho by their owners within ten days after they receive a certified or registered letter to that effect from the City Manager, according to another ordinance passed Thursday night. Opportunity for a hearing is granted in the letter to be sent.

Vehicles without a current license or a current sticker could also be

affected and will come under scrutiny. Vehicles that are being worked on will be given special consideration, but owners will have to show proof of this to the City Manager.

Vehicles falling under the classification of the ordinance will have to be completely removed or totally enclosed out of sight. Concensus of opinion on the City Council was that this was a problem of long standing that demanded some positive action.

Both ordinances will be published in the Bovina Blade.

The Council spent at least an hour and a half discussing the proposed rate hike of 12 per cent that Southwestern Public Service is asking be put in effect by June 16. This rate increase is an average for the entire state of Texas, explained Eugene Griffin, local SPS manager, and would not necessarily reflect the exact increase for the Bovina area.

When asked by City Manager, Clayton Williamson, what the exact percentage for Bovina would be, no definite answer could be given, but Griffin submitted some examples of how bills would be affected along the following lines of examples. A present bill of \$30.00 would probably become \$32.22.

A present bill of \$50.00 would become \$54.06 and a present bill of \$100.00 would become \$113.08. These figures immediately caused Councilman Larry Webb and Mayor Lusk to point out that this was simply causing people who used more electricity to pay more money per kilowatt hour than those who used less. Both these men indicated that such a policy was the opposite of former practices in most businesses and areas that the more one bought and used, the less one paid per unit or article.

Griffin explained that the prices did go up as more electricity was used and that this was caused by Federal government regulations which forced SPS to set such rates in order to cause people to conserve energy by more careful and judicious usage.

When queried why SPS was asking for a rate increase, Griffin showed the causes to be (1) Inflation, (2) Cost of borrowed money, (3) New plants, (4) Depreciation of plants (after 1990 the Federal government has determined that no plants shall be gas fueled and thus, for instance, the Jones plant, near Lubbock, will lose nine years of depreciation value) and (5) Tremendous increase in cost of products they use. He further pointed out that the fuel adjustment cost which appears on every ones bill is figured on the third previous month, based on SPS payment for fuel.

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Meeting Set

The regular meeting of the Parmer County WIFE organization will be held Monday, May 22 at the First State Bank in Bovina, beginning at 8 p.m.

All members are urged to attend the meeting.

Work Day For Cemetery

The Bovina Cemetery Association is planning a work day, during which it will strive to improve the roads in Bovina Cemetery.

Members of the organization's board of directors are seeking trucks and drivers to haul caliche to the cemetery from south of Lariat on Tuesday, May 23.

"Anyone who can donate a day's work, or equipment, will be greatly appreciated," said a spokesman for the group.

If you can help, please contact H.J. Charles, Tom Caldwell or Buck Ellison.

L'il League Sets Draft

The Little League draft for both Minor and Major Leagues will be held on Saturday, May 20, it was announced this week by Joe Jones. The draft will be conducted at the ball park, beginning at 2 p.m.

Any youngster who has not signed up for Little League needs to be at the park at that time. Anyone interested in coaching a Little League team is also urged to be present at the meeting.

The 1978 season will kick off on May 29.

Jones said the Little League officials were planning to have a "clean-up, fix-up" session at the ball park on May 27 beginning at 1 p.m.

"If you can help out, please contact me. We urge everyone who is available to give us a hand," Jones says.

Absentee Vote Set

Absentee voting for the June 3 runoffs in the Democratic and Republican primaries will be held May 24 through May 30 at the County Clerk's office in Farwell.

Democrats in the Bovina-Rhea precinct will vote on two candidates for the commissioner's nomination, Jack Patterson and Glenden Sudderth. County Republicans will vote on the Jim Reese-George Bush, Jr. runoff for the congressional nomination.

A special booth will be manned one day only at Friona for absentee voting on Friday, May 26. The clerk's office will be closed on Monday, May 29 for Memorial Day.



TOP ATHLETE...Gerald Shelby, right, four-sport star for the Bovina Mustangs, was named winner of the

"Best All Around" award for boys sports, 1977-78. Making the presentation is coach E.C. Jenkins.



GIRLS' WINNER...Chosen as the "Best All Around" athlete for girls sports at Bovina High School was Sandi Sides, holding the trophy with

girls coach Joel Nelson. The award was made at the annual Athletic Banquet.



ATTEND DINNER....Shown receiving her tray at the Lions Club's fried chicken dinner last Sunday is

Ernesteen Minter. Servers shown are Vickie Dutton, C.E. Trimble and Wendell Garner.

Garza Injured In Chlorine Incident

Bovina's water and sewer superintendent, Andy Garza, was injured Monday following an accident involving chlorine gas which he and another city employee were installing in a city water well.

Garza and Henry Abeyta were installing a chlorine gas cylinder in well number three (behind the Dairy Freeze) when the safety plug was removed, the main cylinder malfunctioned, releasing the gas into the air.

"Chlorine gas is very poisonous. Andy was fortunate in being able to

leave the well house, keep his composure, walk through the cloud of chlorine to his pickup, and then drove to the fire station and sounded the fire alarm," said City Manager Clayton Williamson.

James Ritchie was the first fireman to arrive. He went back to the scene with Garza, using air packs. Ritchie went into the well house and shut off the valve, stopping the escaping gas.

City marshal Jerry Atchley and Abeyta went next door, evacuating the Dairy Freeze for a time, and also warned a nearby train crew. Atchley then rushed Garza to Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona, where he was listed in satisfactory condition on Tuesday.

Garza suffered burns to his throat and stomach. He was given oxygen soon after arriving at the hospital.

Williamson praised Garza's quick action in alerting the fire department.

"His action in putting the welfare of others in the community above his own welfare at a time when he was in severe pain, was highly commendable," Williamson said.

Reese Sets Friona Stop

Jim Reese, Republican candidate for congress in the special runoff election June 3, will make a public appearance on Tuesday, May 23 at the Community Room of Friona State Bank. The meeting begins at 8 p.m.

A spokesman for Reese said that the candidate was interested in meeting with all residents concerning issues facing them, and not just Republicans, or those supporting his candidacy.

Buckaroo Rodeo Set

The Little Buckaroo Rodeo will be held Sunday, May 21 at the Bovina Roping Arena, beginning at 1:30 p.m.

Entry blanks are available at Bovina Super Market and Don's Medicine Chest, and entries may be left at these locations.

Young entrants do not need a horse in order to enter the events, it was stressed this week.

Events include: goat ribbon races, greased pig scramble, water bucket obstacle, flag race, father-son three-legged race, mother-daughter three-legged race and boot scramble. A stick horse race is featured on the younger divisions.

There are four age divisions: three years and under; four through six, seven through nine and 10 through 12.

Joe Jones will serve as announcer for the affair. Mike Nabers will be the clown.

Bovina Roping Club sponsors the event.

Democrats Name State Delegates

A Bovina couple was included in the delegates chosen at the Parmer County Democratic convention this past Saturday, to serve as county delegates to the state convention in Austin in September.

Ralph Roming was named a voting delegate, one of four allotted to Parmer County, and his wife Donna will be an alternate delegate.

Other delegates elected were Hollis Horton, Jerry Fancher and Jerry Don Glover. Other alternates named were Mrs. Fancher and Mrs. Glover.

Following the election of delegates the convention passed a total of nine resolutions, which will be forwarded

to the state Democratic Convention which will be asked to consider the resolutions.

Resolutions included one supporting the state's right to work law; and a resolution calling for stricter guidelines for the Texas Education Agency, which was criticized for the types of programs and requirements it places upon local school districts.

Resolution number three objected to the establishing of government-regulated child care centers for pre-schoolers, which are supposed to make it easier for mothers to work, but could turn the youngsters into a military-type program at an early age.

Two other resolutions objected to extending the time limit for states to approve the Equal Rights (ERA) amendment, and the use of tax funds for promoting the IWY (International Woman's Year).

A sixth resolution was passed objecting to the use of tax dollars for abortions.

A pair of resolutions were passed which were sponsored by the American Agriculture Movement. One objected to foreign investors in the state, calling for such foreign investors to be subject to the same tax structure as American citizens. The article also asked that such foreign investors be given a time limit to sell their property, or see the property liquidated and confiscated.

The other proposal called for the support of the AAM's five-point program, which calls for 100 per cent of parity, creation of an entity composed of agricultural producers to devise and approve policies that affect agriculture.

The final resolution opposed the registration of firearms, calling for support of the right to bear arms. It denied the use of tax dollars to enforce the registering of firearms.



DEMO DELEGATES....The above slate of delegates and alternates were elected by Parmer County Democrats at their county convention last Saturday. Standing, left to

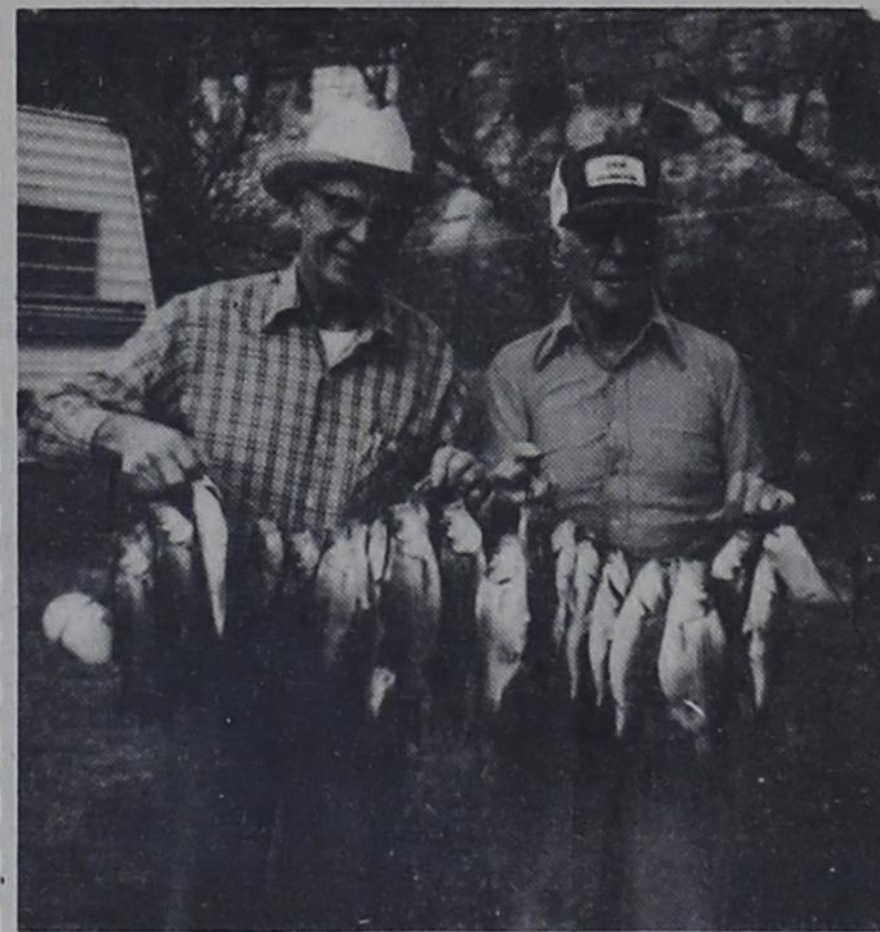
right, are delegates Hollis Horton, Jerry Fancher, Ralph Roming and Jerry Glover. Seated are alternates Sue Fancher, Donna Roming and Donna Glover.



CAKE PRESENTED....Members of the Bovina Filles' track team are shown presenting coach Joel Nelson with a huge cake, in the shape of the state of Texas, denoting the state track championship won by the team this year. The cake was presented during the Athletic Banquet this past week.



HONORED....Steve Cockerham, left, and Jim Rhodes were honored at a recent District FFA public speaking contest at Whiteface. Cockerham placed first in the contest. Rhodes was given his Star Chapter Farmer award.



GOOD FISHING....Two brothers, Buck and Aubra Ellison, proudly display the results of a fishing contest held on the Colorado River near Bend, Texas. The fishermen caught mostly White Bass.

Twelve Items Are Approved By GOPs

Parmer County's Republican party, in its county convention at Bovina last Saturday, passed a total of 12 resolutions to be forwarded to the state convention, and selected a slate of three delegates to the meeting.

Delegates elected were Ellen Estes of Bovina; Ron Awtray of Friona and Jimmy Briggs of Lazbuddie.

Resolutions passed included favoring the five-point proposals by the American Agriculture Movement, calling for 100 per cent parity and more control by farmers over their commodities; opposition to the United Kingdom Treaty which exempts foreign investors from paying taxes required of American citizens; and opposing the Human Rights Covenants which denies rights of private property holdings.

Other resolutions urged repeal of the Supreme Court ruling that requires school children to be bussed away from the school in their neighborhood, called for the abolishment of Daylight Savings Time, and called for reforms in the Welfare program to eliminate fraud and abuse.

Another resolution asked for elected Republican officials to uphold the party platform; and another called for our nation's defense and military be kept sufficient to prevent an enemy attack.

Resolution number nine asked for an amendment to prohibit deficit spending except during national emergencies and limiting govern-



ELLEN ESTES
GOP Delegate

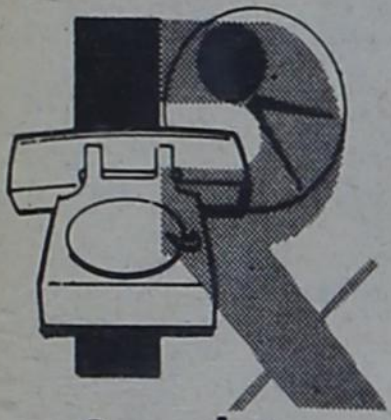
ment services, as a means of curbing inflation.

Resolution number ten called for the resignation of William F. Brock III from the Trilateral Commission and as chairman of the Republican party.

An 11th resolution passed asked the Texas Legislature to rescind its ratification of the E.R.A. amendment, and urged those states which have not yet acted on ratification to reject the amendment.

The final resolution passed urged that all attempts to extend the deadline for ratification of the E.R.A. be rejected.

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THURSDAY-Sandwiches, lettuce, tomatoes, potato chips, pickles, ice cream and milk.

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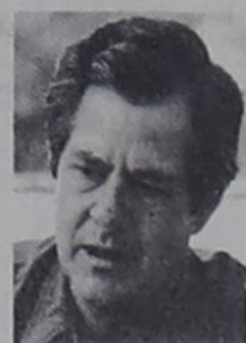
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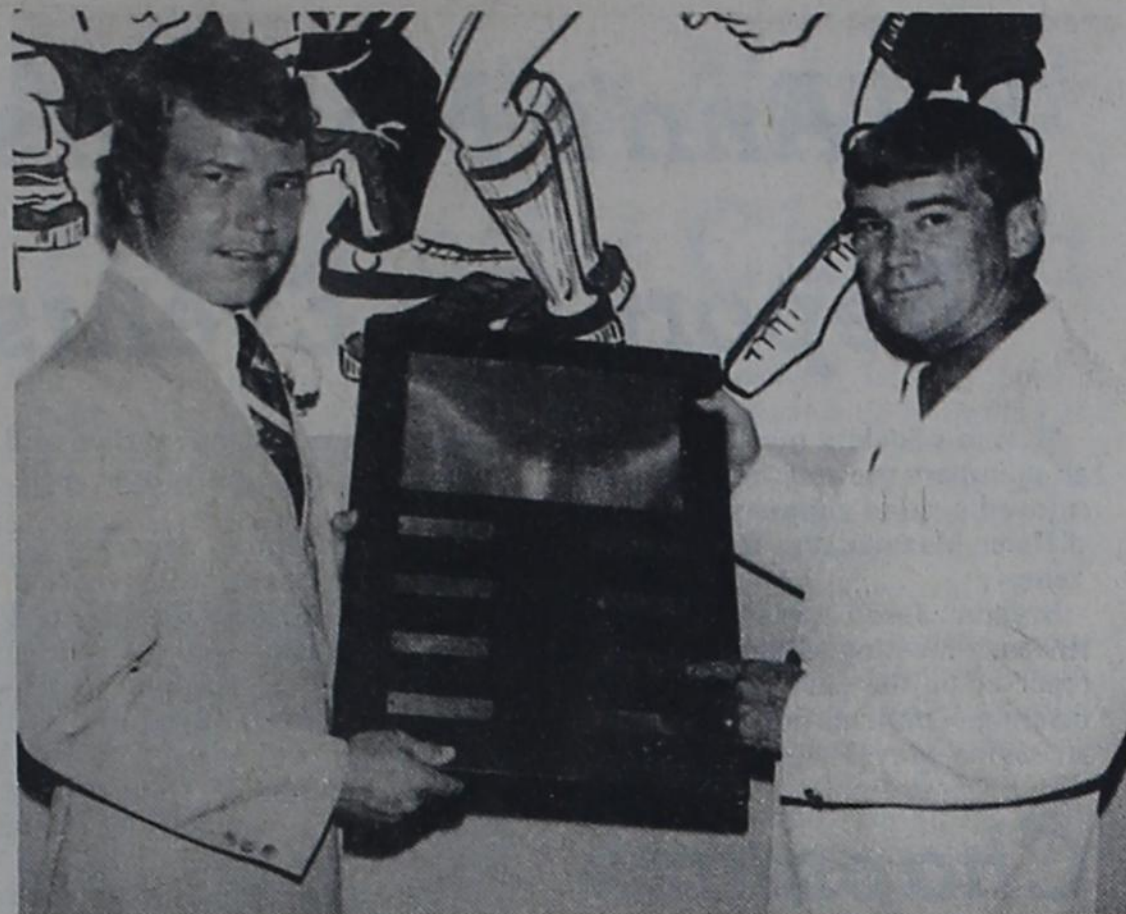
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MUSTANG AWARD...David Murphy, left, was the winner of the Mustang award, one of the annual awards presented at the BHS

Athletic Banquet. E.C. Jenkins, head coach and athletic director, points to Murphy's name on the standing trophy.

Athletes Honored At Annual Event

Bovina High School's outstanding athletes for 1977-78 were honored last Tuesday evening at the Athletic Banquet at the schools cafeteria.

As an added attraction, Coach Joel Nelson showed video-taped highlights of the recent girls state meet. The school's video tape machine was used to tape the events in which the Bovina girls participated.

Naming of the recipients of the top athletic awards was the climax to the banquet. Receiving the "Best All-Around" athlete awards were Sandi Sides for the girls and Gerald Shelby for the boys.

Co-winners were named for the Filly Award for 1977-78. The winners are seniors Diane Gilbreath and Pat

Shepherd. Winner of the Mustang Award was David Murphy.

Winners of the "Best All-Around" and the "Filly and Mustang" awards have their names inscribed on the permanent trophy which adorns the BHS trophy case. In addition, the winners received certificates.

In addition, outstanding players were given certificates for the individual sports.

Winners for the various sports were: football, offense, Ruben Salazar; defense, David Steelman; boys basketball, Ronnie Cary and Gerald Shelby; girls basketball, Belinda Shelby; girls track, Denise Read; boys track, Gerald Shelby.

Coaches of the various sports introduced their team members, and commented on their seasons.

Coming as it did on the heels of the Fillies winning the state track championship, the banquet had a successful and light-hearted tone.

A meal of charcoal-broiled steaks, baked potatoes, green beans, salad and dessert was enjoyed by the virtual full house at the schools cafeteria.



TOP FILLIES...Pat Shepherd, left, and Diane Gilbreath were named co-winners of the annual "Filly Award," presented each year to members of the Fillies sports teams who excel in leadership and ability.

City Council... (Continued from Page 1)

Mayor Lusk asked what the figure per kilowatt hour was which was used in figuring the fuel adjustment cost. Griffin replied that it was eighteen and one-half cents. The local SPS manager added another problem that SPS faces such as the fact that building a plant that burns coal costs three times as much as one that burns gas.

Griffin wanted the Council to know that the request for the rate increase would be filed on May 12, 1978 with the Texas Utility Commission, that the city could either approve it, deny it, or suspend it, and that there would be either 35 days from the May 12 date when it would go into effect, or there would be a 120 day delay of any action if it were opposed or suspended.

Further, any cost occurring to SPS for defending itself concerning the rate increases before the Texas Utilities Commission would be passed on to the consumer because legal precedent had already been set for such action, he said. By way of history, he mentioned that any previous time in which SPS had to go before the utility board of another state, they had always received more than they requested by way of increase.

After Griffin left the meeting, all members of the Council expressed great concern over the various implications of the proposed hike. Williamson spelled out a possible line of action in stating that he had been in contact with the Panhandle city manager who explained that Panhandle, Hereford, Borger and possibly other cities were looking into the possibility of hiring an expert to study the request by SPS and determine if it would be justified.

The cost of hiring this expert and of fighting the proposed increase would be borne by all cities who participated. The Council proceeded to vote unanimously to suspend the request by SPS and asked the city manager to investigate further

possibility of working with other cities and the Texas Municipal League and report back as sufficient time for such a move still existed.

The Council handled other items on the agenda rather speedily. Mayor Lusk proclaimed May 14-20 as National Transportation Week and in honoring Bovina's law enforcement officers, he also proclaimed May 14-20 as Police Week. Approval was granted to Andres Garza to attend Panhandle Regional Water Utilities Short School at Amarillo, May 16-18 and City Manager Clayton Williamson was given approval to attend the Texas City Management School in Arlington, June 18-20.

An ordinance prohibiting consumption of alcoholic beverages on public streets, alleys, parks and parking lots in Bovina was tabled until the next meeting in order to secure more information and legal advice.

H.H. Delozier was appointed the city's independent auditor for the 1977-78 fiscal year.

Mayor Lusk reported that there was some improvement in telephone service. The City Manager reported that Missouri Beef Packers of Friona would officially be asking the city of Bovina in the near future for permission to burn products at Bovina, for an interim period only, until Missouri Beef can find a permanent solution to their problem. A meeting with the County Commissioners is in the offing on that score. No solids would be brought to Bovina.

The city manager, reported that the HUD application had been sent in to Dallas and that Bovina stood a good chance of receiving the grant. A final word of yes or no would be received by a doctor on May 12 as to whether or not he was coming to Bovina, he said.

Williamson outlined further that the delinquent bill ordinance was working especially well, that the city crew was doing a good job, that

health work violations had been corrected, and that the engineer was continuing work on the park.

The application to HUD was approved by the Council.

The Police Report indicated that the seven cases of windows being broken out were believed to have been done by a sling shot, that a vending machine had been found taken in a previous burglary, and that some stolen furniture taken in a house burglary a year ago had been recovered. The report also showed that a motorcycle had been found which appears to be stolen but it cannot be determined at this time where it was stolen from nor who is its owner.

The lengthy meeting concluded in closed door session concerning personnel matters.

IT'S THE MOST



The most years worked by one person is 86. This record was set by Polly-Gadsby who started at the age of 9 and wrapped elastic for the same company until the age of 95 in 1932.

Jaycees Give Award Winners

The Bovina Jaycees held their annual awards and installation banquet on Tuesday, May 2.

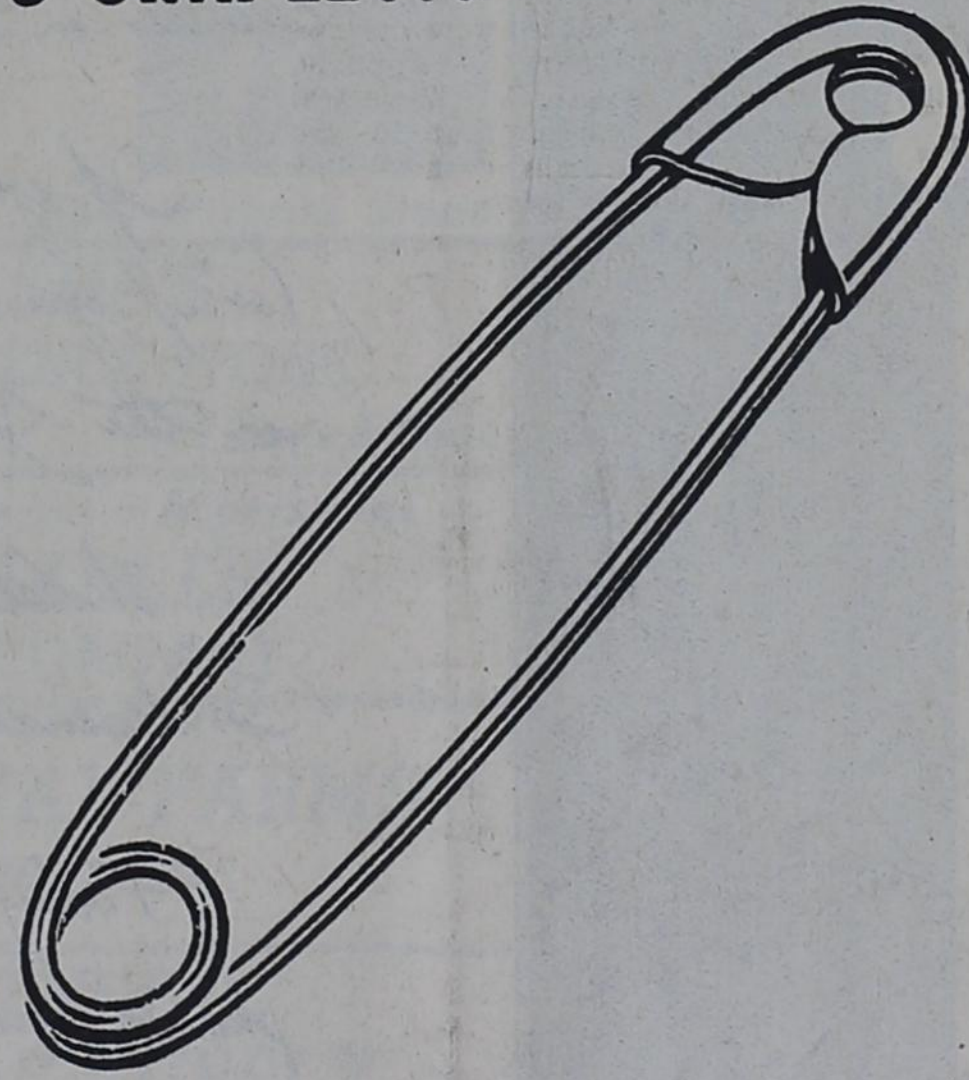
Jaycees receiving awards were Richard Carson, project of the year award and committee of the year award; Bruce Caldwell, chairman of the year award; Lowell Boozler, director of the year; Ken Horn, key man award and Dickie Clayton, Jaycee of the Year.

Officers installed for 1978-79 are: Gaylon Carson, president; Wesley Cockerham, vice president; Bruce Caldwell, treasurer; Clayton Williamson, secretary and Andy Martinez, state director.



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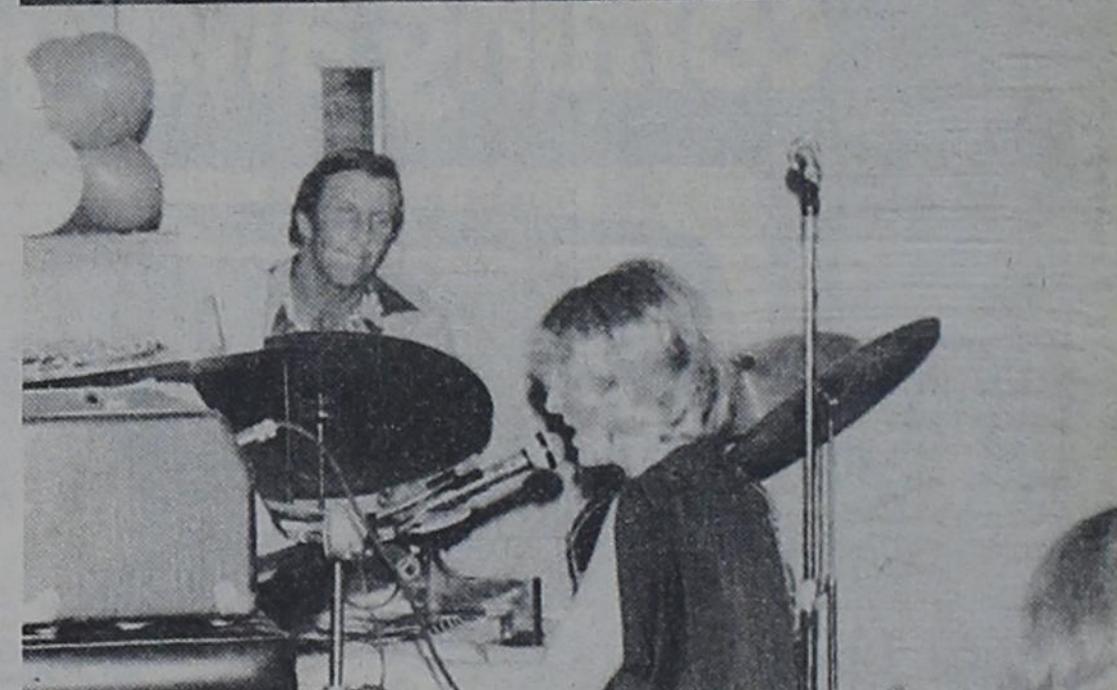
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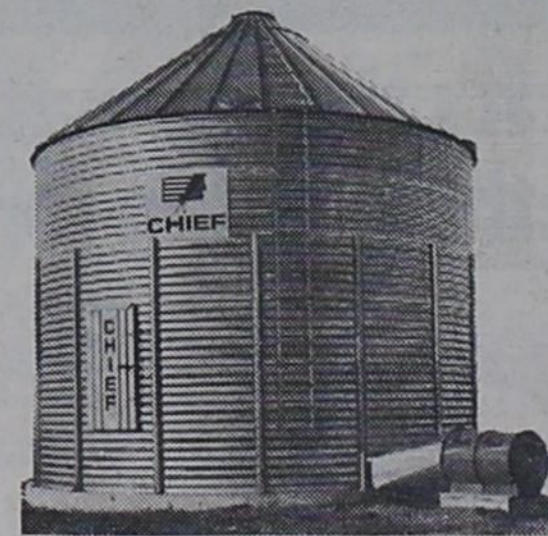


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ENTERTAIN...Elaine Glasscock, who entertained at the Athletic Banquet last Tuesday, is shown with a "volunteer" from the audience, Gerald Shelby, who helped Elaine with one of her songs.

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Bovina 4-H'ers Held Pot Luck Supper

The Bovina 4-H Clubs held a foreign foods pot luck supper May 7 in the Fellowship Hall of the First Baptist Church, with families as guests.

Following supper, a meeting was called to order by the president, Donna Beth Lide. Roll was called and minutes were read by Robbie Moody, secretary. Becky Webb led the salute to the flag and Dale Turner led the 4-H motto and pledge.

A report was given by Joan Carson on the various projects and activities the clubs have participated in during the past year. Laura Jacobs, County Extension Agent, led a discussion on summer activities that are available for 4-H members.

Some of the things being planned for summer months are record book workshops, horse shows, 4-H camps, Teen Leader Lab, State 4-H

Congress and a National Heritage Tour.

Musical entertainment was provided by Donna Beth Lide, Robbie Moody, Melissa Glasscock, Brad Heflin and Daryl Hawkins.

Members present were: Mark and Ted Clayton, Melissa Glasscock, Chet and Daryl Hawkins, Brad Heflin, Donna Beth Lide, Robbie Moody, Dale and Gail Turner, Becky Webb, Mark Englant and Joan Carson.

Guests present were: Mr. and Mrs. James Clayton and Johanna, Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Moody, Mr. and Mrs. Erith Hawkins, Mr. and Mrs. Kent Glasscock, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Webb, Mrs. Bob Turner, Mrs. Edwin Lide, Mr. and Mrs. M.H. Carson, Sheree Nunley and Laura Jacobs.



RECEIVE DEGREES... Ben and Christie McCain graduated from West Texas State University Saturday, May 13. Ben received a Bachelor of Science degree in speech with a concentration in radio and TV. Christie received a Bachelor of Science degree in education. While attending WTSU, Christie was a member of the Alpha

Chi honor society. Both are 1976 graduates of South Plains College in Levelland. Ben, a 1973 graduate of Bovina High School, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie McCain. Christie, a 1974 graduate of Bovina High School, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C.E. Trimble. The McCains are now living in the Beaumont-Port Arthur area. Ben is employed at KJAC-TV.

Whitecotton, Sherrill Vows To Be Exchanged

Friends are reminded of the wedding date this week for Betty Whitecotton and Terry Jay Sherrill, who will be married on Saturday, May 20 at 7 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church of Bovina.

Sherrill, a graduate of Bovina High School, has just received his degree from West Texas State University. Miss Whitecotton is a 1977 graduate of Bovina High School.

Parents are Mr. and Mrs. Billy Whitecotton and Mr. and Mrs. J.E. Sherrill, Jr.

Invitations are not being mailed locally, but all friends and relatives are invited to attend.

St. Ann's Members Report On Events

St. Ann's Society met May 15 with all members present. The members enjoyed a salad supper in the home of Helen Mazurik, the Woman of the Year.

Brenda Jesko presided at the business meeting. Martha Schilling reported on the past parish council meeting. Confirmation will be held in Bovina May 31. Bishop DeFalco

will preside at confirmation and the new C.C.D. building will be dedicated.

Judy Brockman reported on the Plainview Deanery Convention she attended in Nazareth on April 19. Summer school will be held June 19-24. Two Sisters of Sorrowful Mother from Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, will assist with summer school. Father McGovern will be attending a reunion in Orlando, Florida June 17-22.

The parish will host a farewell covered dish dinner honoring the Stan Klimek family on Sunday, May 21.

Brenda Jesko passed the gavel to Dixie Jesko, the new president. After the meeting, Mrs. Dobmier was honored with a pink and blue shower. Hostesses were Liz Jesko and Dora Rejino.

Chapmans Have Girl

Rev. and Mrs. Gaylon Chapman of Friona are the parents of a baby girl, Candace Denise, who was born May 8 at Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona.

The new arrival is the first child for the couple. She weighed seven pounds, nine ounces, and was 20 inches long.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Don Sudderth of Cloudcroft, N.M., and Rev. and Mrs. T.H. Chapman of Amarillo. Great-grandparents are Lela Gaines of Friona and D.L. Chapman of Arlington.

Steelman Is Initiated

Eddie J. Steelman, son of E.G. Steelman, Star Route, Bovina, has been selected as a member in the Texas A&M University Chapter of the honor society Phi Kappa Phi.

Phi Kappa Phi is an interdisciplinary society which elects members from all recognized branches of academic endeavor.

Each year the Chapter recognizes graduate and undergraduate students from 11 academic colleges who have distinguished themselves academically as well as leadership in campus activities.

Phi Kappa Phi was established in 1949 at Texas A&M University.

Shower Is Set Tuesday

There will be a wedding shower honoring Jeanette Johnson, bride-elect of Larry Widner, on Tuesday, May 23 at the home of Virginia Rhodes.

The shower will be held from 4:30 to 6 p.m.

Hostesses will be Janie Sudderth, Frances Willard, Barbara Cockerham, Myrle Nelson, Kathryn Gromowsky and Virginia Rhodes.

Church To Host Social

The annual ice cream social, hosted by the Bovina Church of Christ congregation for the senior class, their dates and members of the school faculty will be held immediately following the baccalaureate sermon Sunday, May 21. Virginia Rhodes is chairman of the event, and may be contacted for further information.

Hospital Report

ADMISSIONS--

Altha Herrington and baby girl, Farwell; Thomas Barber, Bovina; A.E. Stafford, Roswell; Michael Baca, Friona; Sonny McIntosh, Friona; Yolanda Montana, Hereford; Pedro Silerio, Jr., Friona; Amelia Salinas, Friona; Joni Coleman and baby boy, Friona; Odus Moore, Amherst; Bessie Boatman, Friona; Johnny Martinez,

Bovina; Millie Pearce, Bellview, N.M.; Nelson Pearce, Bellview, N.M.; Patricia Love and baby girl, Friona; Bessie Trimble, Bovina; Ofelia Garcia, Hereford; Amanda Miller and baby girl, Friona; Andres Garza, Sr., Bovina; Inez Wheeler, Friona; Bruce Shafer, Friona; and Jay Hight, Friona.

DISMISSALS--

A.W. Anthony, Sr., Mabel Kale, George Thomas, Shirley Ross, Martha Underwood, Robin Clements, Pamela Chapman and baby girl, Thomas Barber, Kay Kendrick, Michael Baca, Sonny McIntosh, Pedro Silerio, Jr., Altha Herrington and baby girl, Yolanda Montana, Amelia Salinas, A.E. Stafford, Odus Moore, Johnny Martinez, Bessie Boatman and Joni Coleman and baby boy.

PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL--

Lena Bracken, Patricia Love and baby girl, Amanda Miller and baby girl, Inez Wheeler, Bruce Shafer, Jay Hight, Bessie Trimble, Andres Garza, Sr., Louva Kersey, Eugene Gulley, Eddie Ramm, Miller Pearce, Nelson Pearce and Ofelia Garcia.

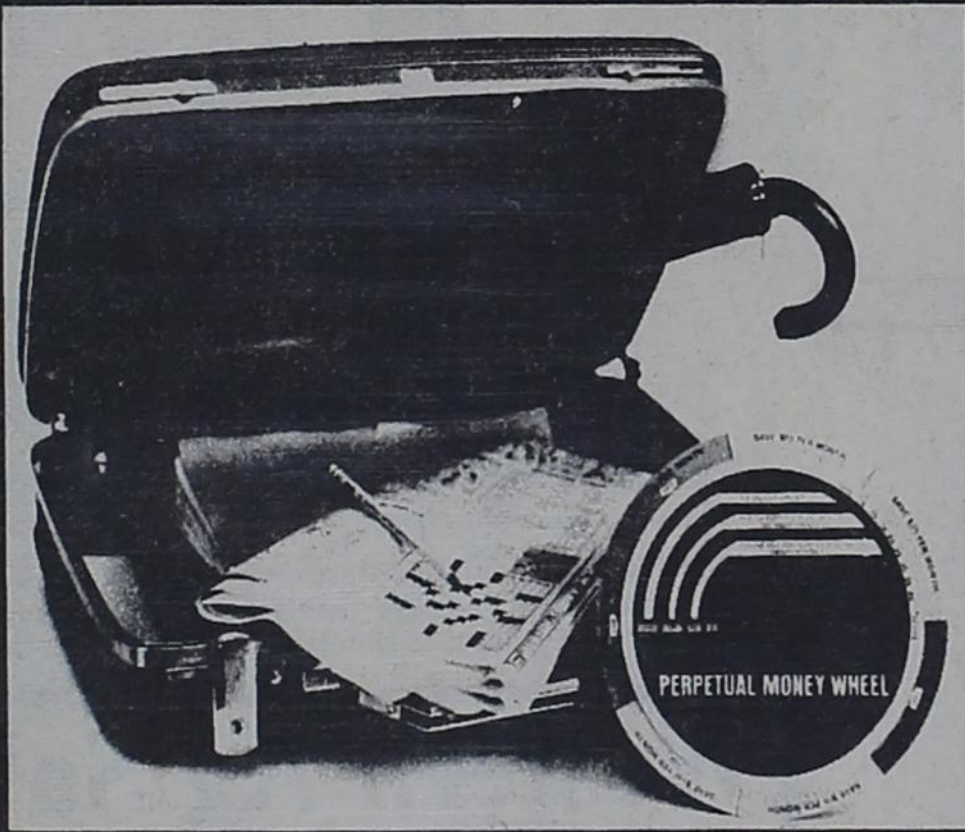
Cathie Sharp Earns Degree From SPC

Cathie Sharp graduated from South Plains College, Levelland, on May 13. She received an Associate in Applied Science degree.

It was the 20th graduating class since the college was founded. There were 327 graduating sophomores.

Cathie is a 1976 graduate of Bovina High School and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C.E. Trimble.

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New Pastor Named For Baptist Church

Rev. Jerry L. Rockwell, a native of Pampa, has been called as the new pastor of Bovina's First Baptist Church. The new pastor will assume his duties at the church effective May 28.



REV. JERRY ROCKWELL

Rev. Rockwell, 37, was born in McLean, but grew up in Pampa and graduated from high school there in 1960. He received his B.A. degree from Hardin-Simmons University in 1971, and attended the Dallas Theological Seminary, 1973-75.

The new Bovina preacher served as youth worker at Highland Baptist Church of Pampa, and has pastored the Lohn Baptist Church, the Claytonville Baptist Church (near Kress), and the 11th Street Baptist Church of Shamrock, where he has been the past three years.

His wife Marilyn was born in Vernon, but also graduated from high school at Pampa. She attended Frank Phillips Jr. College, Amarillo College, H-SU and the Dallas Seminary Lay Institute. She also has completed training as a vocational nurse through the Shamrock Branch of Frank Phillips Jr. College.

Before entering the ministry, Jerry worked in the oil fields, on ranches around Pampa, and was a rodeo performer. He served in the U.S. Army for two years, spending a year in Korea.



PROCLAMATION...Mayor R.R. Highway official Weldon Moody looks on. The signing took place at the meeting of the Bovina City Transportation Week, as county

Officers To Be Honored

An informal dinner for the Parmer County peace officers, dispatchers, judges, attorneys, court recorder and their wives and husbands will be hosted by Jerry and Gloria Atchley

at St. Ann's Parish Hall Monday evening, May 22, beginning at 6:30 p.m. National Peace Officers Week is this week.

Pre-Schoolers To Register

Youngsters who will be in the kindergarten or first grade for the first time in 1978-79 are asked to pre-register at Ridgelea School on Friday, May 19 at 2:30 p.m. Those pre-registering will need to bring their immunization records

and birth certificates with them, according to a spokesman for the school.

Kindergarten students must be five years of age before September 1, 1978.

Meeting Set Here Friday

A special meeting is scheduled at 3:15 p.m. Friday at Ridgelea School. The meeting will concern the Title I and migrant bilingual programs, both federal and state. Everyone

interested is urged to attend. Purpose of the meeting is to elect committee members and to organize for 1978-79.

Students In Field Trip

A total of 110 Ridgelea elementary students attended a field trip last Thursday to Canyon, where they toured the Panhandle-Plains Museum. Kindergarten through second grades took part in the trip.

The group saw the Pioneer Village and prehistoric animal exhibits. They then went to Thompson Park in Amarillo and had a picnic lunch, and

concluded their trip with a visit to the Thompson Park Zoo.

In addition to the teachers and sponsors, those attending were Wendy Stanberry, Mary Stone,

Ninfa Cruz, Sandra Clayton, Linda Perez, Brenda Riddle, Maria Robledo, Erma Jo Englant and Gail Meason.



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no synod, no convention and no bishop is the head of the church of the Lord. Christ is sufficient as far as the designations of the church and its members are concerned. Individuals are known as Christians. In New Testament times there were no Paulites, or Cephasites, or Johnites. There was simply the church of the Lord made up of many members who were called Christians as to their proper name. Christ is sufficient as far as the way from earth to heaven is concerned. Our Saviour declared to Thomas: "I AM THE WAY, THE TRUTH, AND THE LIFE: NO MAN COMETH UNTO THE FATHER, BUT BY ME." Jesus Christ is the only way to heaven; there is no other. We all need to know and obey this all-sufficient Christ!

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FOR REGIONAL TITLE

Ponies Rally For 9-8 Baseball Win

The Bovina Mustangs won the regional baseball championship last Friday at Midland, with an extra-inning 9-8 win over Junction, a school which has won the regional title several times.

It was the first regional baseball title ever for Bovina High School.

Don Murphy led a 14-hit Bovina attack with three hits. Murphy tripled home the first three runs of the game for the Mustangs, and then scored the winning run in the bottom of the eighth inning after getting a leadoff single.

Left-hander Ronnie Cary went all the way on the mound for Bovina. He struck out six, walked three and hit two batsmen.

It was a 1-0 game favoring Junction after three innings, and then Junction came up with three runs in the top of the fourth inning for a 4-0 lead.

But Bovina's bats came alive in their half of the fourth. Doug Roming walked to open the inning. Roy Shelby singled, and Eddie Villarreal singled to load the bases. Mike Read struck out, for the first out of the inning.

Murphy then lashed a hit down the third base line that went for a triple. All three runners scored, making the score 4-3. Sudderth then singled, scoring Murphy with the tying run.

Junction scored three more runs in the top of the fifth, for a 7-4 lead, but Gerald Shelby hit an inside-the-park home run in the bottom half to make it a 7-5 ball game. Roming also singled in the inning, but was stranded at second.

With one out in the sixth, Murphy singled, Sudderth singled, and Harvey Shepherd followed with a base hit to score Murphy. Sudderth was thrown out, but Shepherd scored before the inning was over, giving Bovina a 7-7 tie.

Each team scored in the seventh inning, which was supposed to be the final inning, causing it to go an extra inning.

Cary led off the seventh for the Mustangs with a single, but Roming hit into a double play. Roy Shelby singled with two out, and Villarreal hit a two-out, two-strike triple down the right field line, scoring Shelby with the tying run.

On the triple by Villarreal, he possibly could have scored, but was held at third base. As it turned out, the throw into the Junction catcher got away, but it was too late for the runner to score.

The Junction pitcher bore down to strike out Read, and leave Villarreal stranded at third, sending the game into extra innings.

The Mustangs wrapped up the game in their half of the eighth inning before Junction could get a man out.

Murphy led off with a single, his third hit of the game. Sudderth walked, moving him to second. Shepherd followed with a long drive to centerfield, easily scoring both Murphy and Sudderth, although one

run was all that was needed to end the game.

"I almost gave up a couple of times, but the boys just kept coming back. We came up with key hits when we had boys in scoring positions," said Coach Monte Barnes.

Barnes said that errors contributed to a number of the Junction runs. "We bobbled a couple of grounders, made a few bad throws that hurt us, and threw to the wrong base a time or two. Cary pitched a better game than the score indicated," he said.

"It was a game in which everyone on the field had an important play sometime during the game—either on the field, or a key hit at bat. Everyone contributed to the win," Barnes said.

Barnes said he felt the win was a big psychological lift to the boys, who had had some bad experiences in other sports this school year.

"It was a chance for them to win a title, and they went out and did it. It

was a win they needed to give them a boost," he concluded.

Regional is as far as Class A teams go under the present set-up. Beginning next year, a state tournament is to be held for class A baseball.

The Bovina boys had only a seven-game season, winning five and losing two. They won three and lost one to class AAAA Hereford's junior varsity, and split a two-game series with Elida, N.M.

Bovina	AB	R	H
B. Sudderth, 2b	4	0	3
H. Shepherd, ss	5	1	1
G. Shelby, 3b	3	1	1
R. Cary, p	4	0	1
D. Roming, c	3	1	1
R. Shelby, lf	4	2	2
E. Villarreal, cf	4	1	2
M. Read, lb	4	0	0
D. Murphy, rf	3	3	3
Totals	34	9	14

Junction	001	330	10-8
Bovina	000	412	11-9



BASEBALL CHAMPS...The Bovina Mustang baseball team, which captured the Region I championship with a 9-8 win over Junction last Friday, is shown above. Front row,

left to right, Jimmy Rhodes, manager, Steve Stevenson, Ronnie Cary, Bongo Beavers, Lynn Read, Doug Roming, Randy Alonzo, Blake Sudderth, Ruben Salazar and Coach

Don Heard. Back row: Coach Monte Barnes, Roy Shelby, Gerald Shelby, Randall Ritchie, David Murphy, Richard Lowe, Mike Read, Harvey Shepherd and Richard Villarreal.

Students Have Winning Essays

Stuart Martin Klimek of Bovina High School was named the winner of Parmer County's Soil and Water Conservation District Essay Contest. Stuart will receive \$50.00 for his first place essay.

Many good essays were received with Kathy Falkenberg winning second for \$35.00. Marty Spicer winning third and \$25.00, and Debbie Whitecotton winning fourth for \$15.00. All the winners were from Bovina High School and are to be complimented for their interest in our nation's most valuable resources.

Following is the winning essay written by Stuart Martin Klimek:

Future Benefits of Conservation in the Parmer County Soil and Water Conservation District
By Stuart Martin Klimek
Bovina High School

"When the soil is gone, man must go. And the process does not take long." President Theodore Roosevelt made this statement when he was speaking of the great need for conservation. Man has realized this fact, and so has developed many methods to cope with this need.

Farming is one of the largest areas in which conservation of the soil and water is widely needed and used. The area I live in is the High

Plains, Texas' leading producer of the three most important crops—cotton, grain sorghum and wheat. Parmer County is located near the heart of this region, and is one of the important soil and water conservation districts of Texas. Because of the flat surface which encourages mechanization and the soils being moderately productive, Parmer County has attracted many farmers, but each farmer faces the constant danger of wind erosion and the limited amount of rainfall.

Irrigation is an important factor of farming in this county as it is in any other farming community. Irrigation is one of the chief phases of conservation, and uses water and soil resources in a way that contributes most to human welfare.

With proper irrigation practices, the soil can yield larger and better crops. Conservationists are trying to inform farmers of better irrigation practices and to find ways to conserve the precious underground water.

Conservationists are also looking for ways to conserve the rich topsoil which covers the earth only in inches. An inch of topsoil took nature hundreds of years to produce, yet it can be washed away in a matter of a few weeks.

Postmaster Issues New Rules

Postmaster Marvin Ezell today issued a reminder to postal customers in Bovina that if the Postal Service's new packaging guidelines are followed they can virtually eliminate damage to their parcels.

Postmaster Ezell said that checks at bulk mail plants show that more than 80 per cent of all articles damaged in the mails were improperly packaged.

While the regulations and guidelines adopted recently by the Postal Service are detailed, they boil down to several basic steps that can help assure safe delivery.

First, select a strong carton. Use a fiberboard box with the "burst-test" number printed on it.

If the box says, for instance, 125 lbs. it can be used for mailing many

types of merchandise weighing up to 20 lbs.

When a person is shipping dense or heavy materials, such as books, stronger boxes are required. For 10 lbs. of books the Postal Service recommends a box with a 175-lb. burst test.

The Postal Service suggests that wrapping paper not be used on cartons. If a wrapper is torn or lost in transit, the mailing address can disappear. Further, the paper adds nothing to the package's strength.

The use of masking and cellophane tapes for closing or sealing is prohibited. In transit they tend to peel off, and they have little strength. String is not recommended. If twin loosens, it can readily catch on processing machinery.

Instead, parcel post customers are urged to use the pressure-sensitive, reinforced tapes. They are almost unbreakable.

When marking a package "Do Not Bend," it is required that the container have stiffeners which will protect it from being bent.

In using a second-hand box, it is important to mark out addresses that may have been printed on it along with extraneous numbers that could be confused with the ZIP Codes.

A final suggestion: Enclose a return address card in the package so that it can be returned if the mailing label is damaged or lost.

Postmaster Ezell said customers should contact the Bovina Post Office for more information.

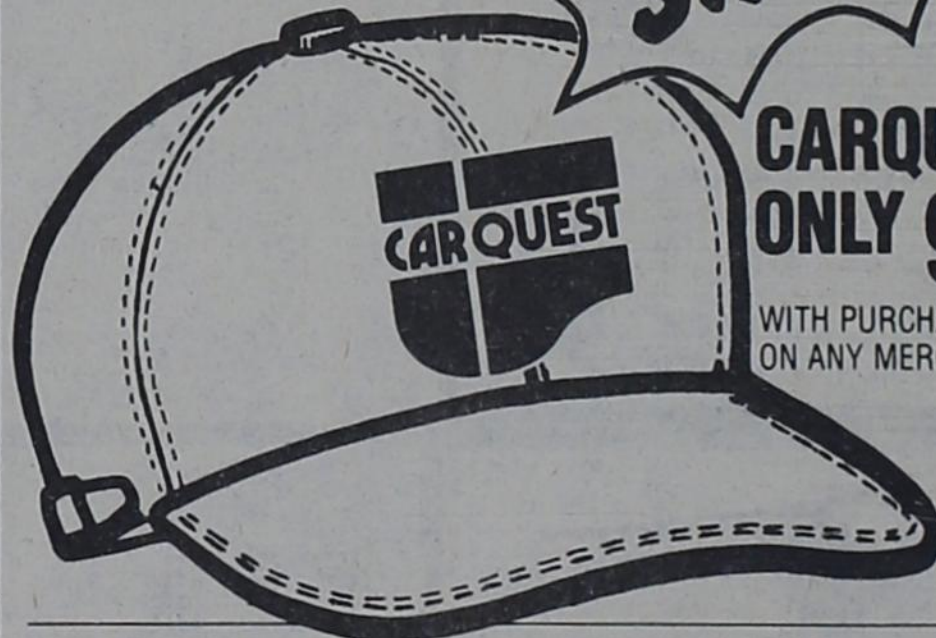


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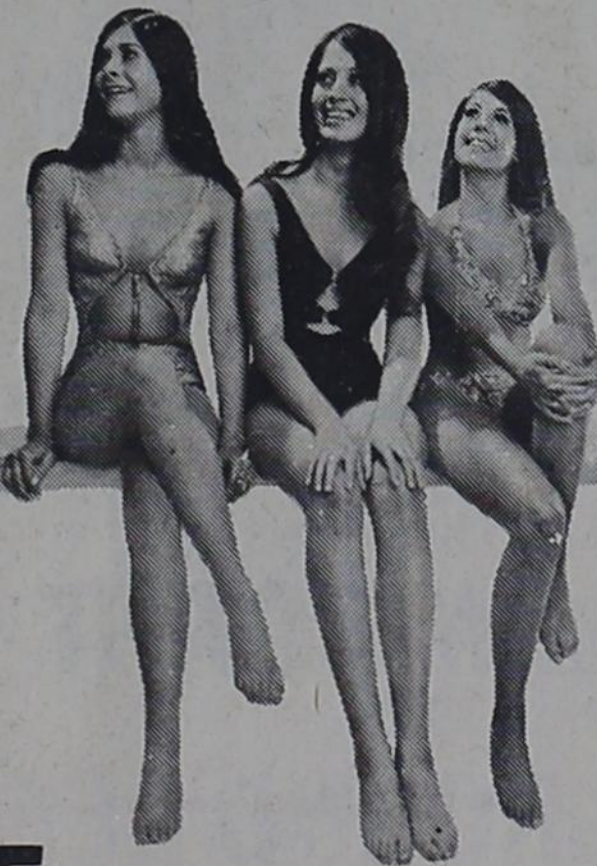
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Pair Wins Honors At FFA Contests

Steve Cockerham, a member of the Bovina FFA Chapter recently competed in a District FFA Public Speaking Contest. The contest was held on May 2 at the Whiteface High School. Steve placed first in competition.

Also, Jim Rhodes was awarded District Star Chapter Farmer. Pat Barrett, Lawrence Widner, agriculture instructors at Bovina High School.

Two members from the Bovina FFA Chapter attended the Area I Convention of Future Farmers of

America. The convention was held at Coronado High School on May 12-13.

Jim Rhodes and Steve Cockerham served as delegates representing the local chapter on business matters conducted during the convention. More than 500 FFA members and guests attended the two-day convention.

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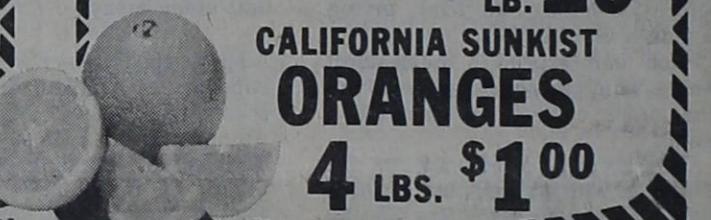
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