

"MY TURN"



By
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LOOK AT practically any county map anywhere in the U.S. and you will notice that 99% of the time the county seat is located either (1) close to the geographical center of the county, OR (2) it is located in the town with the largest population in the county. However, Parmer County is the exception to both of these, with our county seat and courthouse being located directly on the western border of the county (which is also the western border of Texas) in the town of Farwell. Friona and Bovina are both larger in population and both are closer to the geographical center of the county.

Many newcomers to these parts are puzzled as to why the county seat is located in such an out-of-the-way place. So for those of you who haven't heard our oldtimers tell this story, here it is, more or less from the horse's mouth.

James D. Hamlin (1871-1950) was one of those "larger than life" characters of the Old West. Historian and biographer William Curry Holden who was personally acquainted with Judge Hamlin said this about the man, "Indigenous outlaws, gunmen and gamblers were among his cherished intimates. Madams of the bordellos esteemed his friendship and sought his counsel, while lovely women of impeccable proprieties all but swooned in his presence and sighed audibly with his passing."

Hamlin served as county judge of Parmer County, Texas during 12 of the county's most formative years from 1912 to 1924. He was a trusted cohort of the Farwell family from Chicago and was the resident representative of the Capitol Syndicate which was in the process of selling off the old XIT ranchlands into farms and townsites starting about 1905. The proceeds from the sale of these lands, which included all of Parmer County, went to build the present day state capitol building in Austin. Remember that fact when the Panhandle area is being treated like a forgotten orphan child in the political doings of our state legislature.

In 1906, Hamlin was instrumental in laying out the townsite and selling lots in Farwell for the syndicate. A year or so prior to that he had established land claims and laid out the town of Texico, New Mexico which he referred to often as "my townsite of Texico." His uncle J. M. Hamlin was involved in railroad interests in the county, so naturally he was crushed when he discovered that the Santa Fe Railroad had decided not to establish a division point at Texico-Farwell, but instead elected to build the roundhouse, shops and Harvey House ten miles west at Clovis, New Mexico.

Parmerton was the railroad site closest to the geographical center of this county. The townsite of Parmerton was laid out in 1907 and a petition signed by 150 of the county's residents appealed to Deaf Smith County to release Parmer County from its jurisdiction. The Parmerton site was then used as the county seat for a time and county business was conducted there. I don't know if this was before the first or second of the three county seat election fights, but there is nothing at Parmerton now except a historical marker, which we owe to the efforts of former tax-assessor/collector Hugh Moseley.

When Hamlin was elected County Judge in 1912 he claimed that his two-story office building in Farwell was used as the courthouse until the hotly contested county seat fight in 1914, in which Farwell won by a narrow margin of two or three votes.

According to oldtimers in both Friona and Bovina, the ballots were confiscated and destroyed by the Farwell faction before a re-count could be made. The \$50,000 bond issue for the building of a courthouse passed but no progress was made because three of the four County Commissioners had taken sides with Friona and would not



CHICKEN DINNER IN THE PARK....Bovina's Thrifty Club, a senior group that meets monthly, had a pleasant evening to enjoy fried chicken in the park on last Tuesday....front, l-r are Erma Schrader, Sid Lloyd, and Joe Black. Back, from left, LaVerne Black, Charlie Eubank, Owen Patton, Arlene Patton, Carl Schrader, Howard Kelso, Oma Lee George, Minnie Kelso, Ethel Johnson, Dorothy Ellison & LaTrelle Micher. (Photo by Ron Carr)

Blade's Annual Grid Contest To Kick Off

The Bovina Blade's annual Football Contest is being unveiled in this issue. The contest offers weekly prizes totalling \$22.50 for contestants, as well as a grand prize of \$100 to be awarded at the conclusion of the 13-week promotion.

All football fans are urged to get their first entry turned in, and to enter every week in order to stay in the running for the grand prize.

Thirteen area businesses and industries are sponsoring the contest along with the Blade.

Each advertisement will contain one of the games to be picked by the contestants. The contest editors pick out 14 of the top games each week, including games from the high school, college and professional ranks.

Sponsoring the event are Parmer County Spraying Co.; First Bank; Agri-Plan, Inc. (McCallum Agency), Deaf Smith Electric; Bovina Pump Co.; Charles Oil and Gas, Inc.; Sherley Grain Co.; Pay-n-Save Supermarket, West Texas Rural Telephone Cooperative, the Excel

City Offices Closed For Labor Day

The Bovina City Hall, First Bank, and the Post Office will all be closed on Monday, September 4, in observance of the Labor Day Holiday.

Corporation, Kubin Air, Inc., and Friona Feed Yard.

Winner of the 1994 contest was Donnie McDonald of Lazbuddie, who edged out Jerry Roach, 121 to 120.

McDonald won the event for the second straight year, the first time in the history of the contest for an entrant to win the grand prize in back-to-back years.

Fourteen games will be listed on the contest page, within the ads of the sponsors. Contestants are asked to pick the team they think will win each of the games and write the winner's name beside the corresponding number in the contest entry black at the bottom of the page.

Contestants must also pick the score of each week's tie-breaker game. The tie-breaker game is used to break weekly ties or ties for the grand prize.

Winners will be named by

the Monday following the contest, if possible. Cash prizes of \$10 for first place; \$7.50 for second place, and \$5 for third place will be awarded.

Tabulation of individual entrants will be kept throughout the season. The standings will be published each week in the Blade, and may also be viewed on the hallway wall outside of the Blade office by Monday afternoon.

Only one entry blank may be submitted per individual. If more than one blank is submitted, the lowest score will be recorded.

Members of the Blade staff will serve as judges and graders of the contest. Contestants must be ten years of age or older.

Everyone is eligible to enter except for employees of this newspaper and their families.

Former Resident Dies In Washington

Memorial services for Korby Hawkins, 34, a former Bovina resident, were held at 10 a.m. Monday, August 28, in the Our Savior Lutheran Church in Puyallup, Washington.

Hawkins died Thursday, August 24, 1995, in Sedro Woolly, Washington. He had been a resident there for the past two years, moving from California.

Hawkins was born July 26, 1961 in Friona. He is survived by a daughter, Regina Hawkins of Bovina; his mother, Patricia Hawkins of Graham, Washington; his maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Burnam of Friona; and three brothers, Arby Hawkins of Puyallup, Washington, Daryl Hawkins of Bovina, and Chet Hawkins of Texico, N.M.

Officer Torres Halts Caravan on Saturday

Saturday night, August 26, around 10:00 p.m. a police went to the Bovina report of a possible drunk driver heading west from Bovina to Farwell.

Bovina officer Manuel Torres responded. He didn't find the drunk driver but he did get an unexpected surprise.

About one and one-half miles west of Caprock, he encountered five cars, tightly bunched, weaving back and forth in what he termed "a snake dance".

The group consisted of a pickup and four cars from a car club in the Hereford area, heading to Clovis.

Officer Torres said he managed to stop four of the cars and the first car kept going, thinking he was not being stopped.

With only one officer and four cars, he did the only thing he could do. He had the four cars follow him until they all stopped the fifth car.

Officer Torres said that the five drivers and their passengers were friendly and cooperative during the entire session as they realized they should not be "snake dancing" on the highway.

There was no indication of drugs or alcohol. Five citations were issued for unsafe driving.



NEW MUSTANG SCOREBOARD....There is a lot new at Bovina High this year. New fieldhouse, new paint on the bleachers and pressbox, new coaches, and a new scoreboard. Shown is student Rachel Turner. The scoreboard was sponsored by Sherley Grain and Pay-n-Save. (Photo by Ron Carr)

Alexandria Dopp Is Student of the Week

The Bovina High School teachers will nominate and select a student-of-the-week each week during this school year.

Selected for the first week was Alexandria Dopp, a senior. She was nominated by Mrs. Durbin, BHS English 3 & 4 teacher.

Dopp is a native of Bovina. Her parents are Larry and Linda Dopp. Older sister, Michelle, graduated from BHS in 1988.

Her brother, Johnny, graduated in 1994 and younger brother, Chris, is a freshman.

She is student body president this year and participates in basketball, cross-country, and one-act

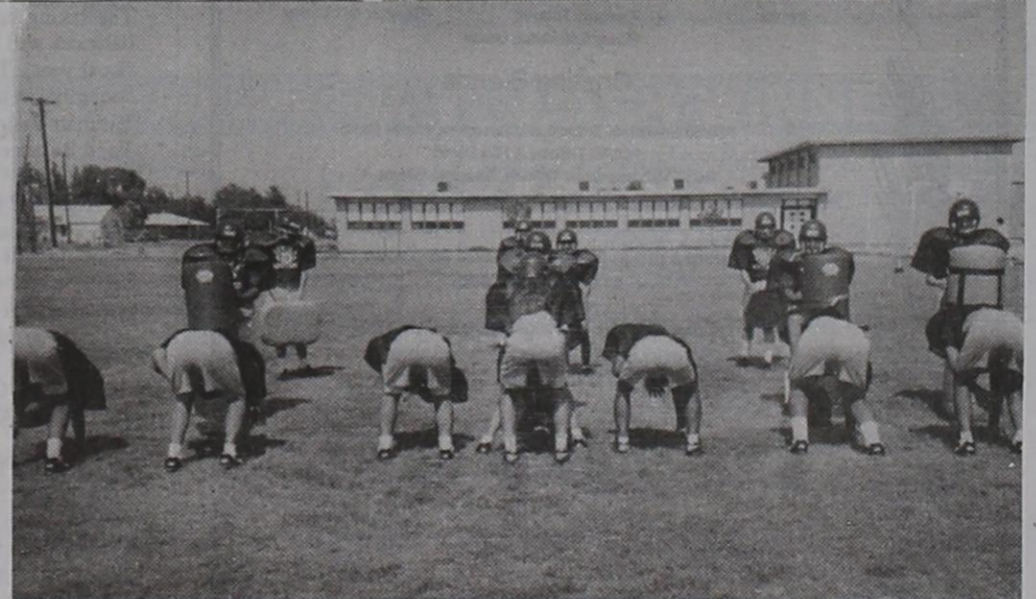


ALEXANDRIA DOPP play.

After graduation, she plans to attend college where she will study archaeology or landscape architecture.



ARE THE MUSTANGS COMING OR GOING THIS YEAR?....Coach Mike Royce and his staff are preparing the Mustangs hard for the approaching season. Shown above is one perspective from a recent scrimmage. If you were a defensive opponent, this view might be one you'll see this season.



On the other hand (or rear) if you were the fullback for the Mustangs, this right picture view of the offensive line would be a welcome perspective for the year. Either way, we are betting on a great season for the Mustangs. (Photos by Ron Carr)

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Reflections

...from the files of The Bovina Blade

35 Yrs. Ago--Aug. 31, 1960

Curtis Griffin, 11, suffered a broken right leg Thursday in an automobile-motorscooter accident.

Funeral services for James M. (Mel) Gunn are scheduled for this Wednesday afternoon at 3 p.m. in Bovina Church of Christ. Mr. Gunn, 69, died at his home in Bovina about 6:30 Tuesday morning after a lengthy illness.

30 Yrs. Ago--Aug. 25, 1965

Bovina's Bull Town Days 1965 was a gigantic success. It was so proclaimed by the vast majority of the more than 6000 people who attended one or more of the events during the three-day celebration, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Stone and Laurie are vacationing this week. Preaching in Stone's absence Sunday morning at Bovina Church of Christ will be Richard Roberts.

Hospitalized at Memorial Hospital is Sheriff Chas. Lovelace. He is reported to be undergoing medical treatment.

25 Yrs. Ago--Aug. 26, 1970

Rev. Larry Heard is the new pastor of First Baptist Church in Bovina. A native of Whitharrell, Rev. Heard will fill the pulpit September 6. His family moved to Bovina this week.

Colonel C.W. Bradley of Weisbaden, Germany, is visiting with his father-in-law Carrol Steelman, this week.

Rocky Steelman will return to Germany with Col. Bradley and attend school in Weisbaden.

20 Yrs. Ago--Aug. 27, 1975

Bovina's first entry in the Miss Wheatheart of the Nation, Tammy Christian, was one of ten semi-finalists in the beauty pageant Saturday night in Perryton. The 31 girls entered in the annual event competed in swim suits and formal wear.

Sgt. Billie A. Griffin, son of Mrs. Junior Lambert of Bovina, has been assigned to Mountain Home Air Force Base, Idaho, from Korat Royal Thai Air Force Base in Thailand.

15 Yrs. Ago--Aug. 27, 1980

Junior High Cheerleaders for 1980-81 are: Kim McClaran, Casey Riddle, Sonya Mayfield, Hollie Clayton, Misti Boozer, and Tami Nabors.

Judith Hurt, 37, was found dead in her home. She was a new teacher hired at Bovina School to teach English.

Class of 1940 held their fortieth class reunion at the Legion Hall with twelve present.

Officers investigated a pickup which overturned eight

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miles north of Hereford injuring the driver, Gary David Murphy of Bovina. He was hospitalized in Clovis and transferred to Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvo Kersey's trip to Washington D.C. and other states took them a distance of 4000 miles.

10 Yrs. Ago--Aug. 28, 1985

Crime Watch signs are posted on the city limits of Bovina to let would-be burglars know that Bovina has a neighborhood watch.

The Guadalupe Society celebrated its 25th anniversary, with a meal for church members and Mass followed with a presentation of gifts to the altar.

Funeral services were held for Pearl Grissom. She was preceded in death by her husband, L.M., in 1980 and one daughter, Maxine.

Joe and Eunice Schilling will celebrate their silver wedding anniversary with a Mass followed by a reception.

Joe and Esther Steelman gave birth to their third son, Travis Jacob.

5 Yrs. Ago--Sept. 1, 1990

Judge Stephen Nyswonger ruled last week that the trial of Diana Lumbrera in Garden City, Kansas will be limited to evidence pertaining to the death of Jose Antonio Lumbrera who died in Garden City on May 1.

Jerry Atchley, who was Chief Deputy Sheriff has retired and Don Hatley has been appointed Chief Deputy Sheriff of Parmer County.

Parmer County's population dropped 10.94 per cent from 1980 to 1990, according to preliminary figures released Thursday.

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NOTICE OF CALCULATION OF EFFECTIVE TAX RATE, ESTIMATED UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCES, AND DEBT SCHEDULES

THIS NOTICE CONCERNS 1995 PROPERTY TAX RATES FOR THE TWO TAXING UNITS LISTED BELOW. THIS NOTICE PRESENTS INFORMATION ABOUT TWO TAX RATES FOR EACH UNIT. LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE IS THE ACTUAL RATE USED TO DETERMINE 1994 PROPERTY TAXES. THIS YEAR'S EFFECTIVE TAX RATE WOULD IMPOSE THE SAME AMOUNT OF TAXES ON THE SAME PROPERTIES AS LAST YEAR. THIS YEAR'S ROLLBACK TAX RATE IS THE HIGHEST TAX RATE THE TAXING UNITS MAY SET BEFORE TAXPAYERS CAN START ROLLBACK PROCEDURES. IN EACH CASE THESE RATES ARE FOUND BY DIVIDING THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF TAXES BY THE TOTAL VALUE OF TAXABLE PROPERTY WITH ADJUSTMENTS AS REQUIRED BY LAW. THE RATES ARE GIVEN PER \$100.00 OF PROPERTY VALUE. THIS NOTICE CONTAINS A SUMMARY OF THE EFFECTIVE AND ROLLBACK TAX RATE CALCULATIONS. YOU CAN INSPECT THE FULL CALCULATIONS AT PARMER COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT, 305 3RD STREET, BOVINA, TEXAS. NOTICE PREPARED BY RONALD E. PROCTER, RPA/RTA/RTC, CHIEF APPRAISER, AUGUST 26, 1995.

NOTICE OF 1995 EFFECTIVE AND ROLLBACK TAX FOR: CITY OF BOVINA, PARMER COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT

LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE	CITY OF BOVINA	PARMER COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
Last year's operating taxes-----\$	88,603.09	433,876.69
Last year's debt taxes-----\$	-0-	-0-
Last year's total taxes-----\$	88,603.09	433,876.69
Last year's tax base-----	18,491,935	246,111,652
Last year's total tax rate (per \$100)	0.4793	0.1765

THIS YEAR'S EFFECTIVE TAX RATE	CITY OF BOVINA	PARMER COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
Last year's adjusted rate-----\$	88,603.09	433,876.68
This year's adjusted tax base-----	19,333,928	248,866,318
This year's effective tax rate (per \$100)	0.4582	0.1743
1.03=Maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearings-----	0.4719	0.1795

THIS YEAR'S ROLLBACK TAX RATE	CITY OF BOVINA	PARMER COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
Last year's adjusted operating taxes-----\$	88,603.09	433,876.68
This year's adjusted tax base-----	19,333,928	248,866,318
This year's effective operating rate-----	0.4583	0.1743
1.08=This year's maximum operating rate--	0.4950	0.1882
This year's debt rate-----	0.0000	0.0000
This year's rollback rate before adjustment--	0.4950	0.1882
Sales tax adjustment rate-----	0.0000	0.0000
Adjusted rollback rate-----	0.4950	0.1882

SCHEDULE A: UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCES

The taxing units estimate the following balances will be left at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a debt obligation.

Estimated unencumbered M&O or General Fund Balance-----\$	CITY OF BOVINA	PARMER COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
	-0-	-0-

SCHEDULE B: 1995 DEBT SERVICE

The taxing units estimate the following amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues) for long term debts that are secured by property taxes.

	CITY OF BOVINA	PARMER COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
	-0-	-0-

SCHEDULE C: EXPECTED REVENUE FROM ADDITIONAL SALES TAX

	CITY OF BOVINA	PARMER COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
	-0-	-0-

SCHEDULE D: STATE CRIMINAL JUSTICE MANDATE

The Parmer County Auditor certifies that Parmer County has spent \$ _____ in the previous 12 months beginning _____, 1994 for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Parmer County has provided information on these cost, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs.

Bovina Cross Country Schedule

September 9	Plainview	H.S.
September 16	Frenship	H.S. & M.S.
September 23	Amarillo	H.S.
September 30	Plains	H.S. & M.S.
October 7	Lubbock	H.S.
October 14	Sundown	H.S. & M.S.
October 23	District Meet at Littlefield	H.S. & M.S.
November 4	Regional Meet at Lubbock	H.S.
November 11	State Meet at Georgetown	H.S.

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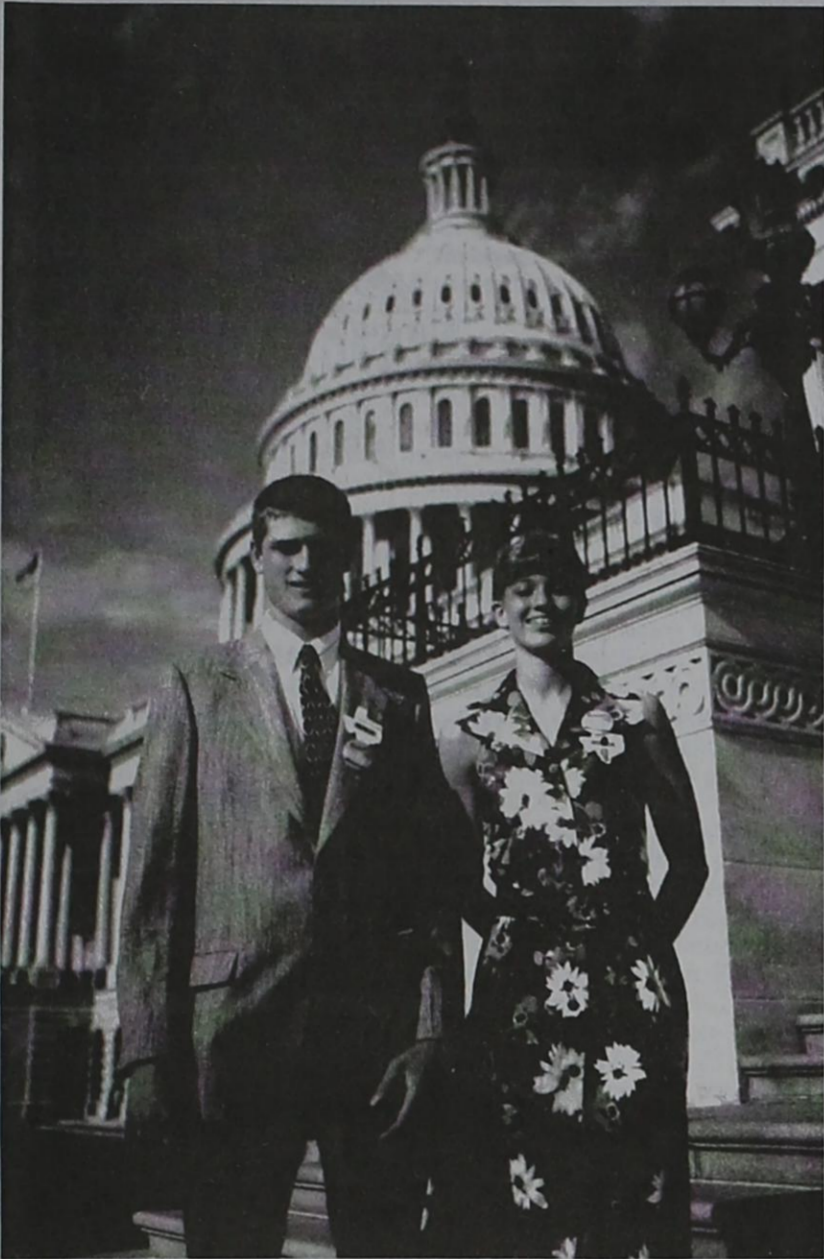
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AMBER WILLARD and JIM BOB SIDES

Amber Willard, Jim Bob Sides Make Washington Youth Tour

Amber Willard, daughter of Dennis and Tammy Willard of Bovina, and Jim Bob Sides, son of James and Tina Sides of Farwell, represented Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative during the 1995

Government-in-Action Youth Tour to Washington, D.C., June 8-20.

The Youth Tour is sponsored by the electric cooperatives of Texas and is coordinated by Texas Electric Cooperatives, Inc.

Co. Corn Field Day Set Sept. 7

The Parmer County Extension Office and Wilbur-Ellis Southern Division of Farwell are sponsoring a Corn Field Day on Thursday, September 7 beginning at 11 a.m. The field day will be held on the Michael DeLeon farm located 2-1/2 miles northeast of Farwell on Highway 60.

Some of the tour highlights include: (1) hybrid trials of which include many of the most popular hybrids planted in this area; (2) plant population study; (3) corn herbicide.

Lunch will be served to all area producers attending. Seed company representatives will be on hand to answer questions. For more details, contact the Parmer County Extension Office at (806) 481-3619 or you may contact Wilbur-Ellis Southern Division at (806) 481-3346.

President Lyndon Johnson promoted and encouraged the idea of the youth tour during the 1950s, when as a senator, he selected outstanding young people and offered them an opportunity to observe their national government at work.

While in Washington, the Texas teenagers visited with their congressman and observed the legislative process in action. Other highlights of the trip included visiting the many famous monuments, memorials, and other attractions of Washington, D.C. Among these attractions were the White House, Arlington Cemetery, the Smithsonian Institution, Ford's Theater, Washington National Cathedral, Mount Vernon, the National Archives, the Supreme Court, and the Vietnam Memorial.

Special activities included Rural Youth Day, participating in the wreath-laying ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldiers in Arlington National Cemetery, viewing the sunset parade at the Iwo Jima Memorial, and attending the U.S. Army's production, "The Spirit of America."

Lazbuddie Girl Wins First At Nat'l Contest

Rachelle Rice, a 1995 graduate of Lazbuddie High School, was honored in Orlando, Florida, on July 3, at the Future Business Leaders of America National Leadership Conference, a professional association for students pursuing business careers. Competing in FBLA's national awards program, Rachelle was presented with an award for the National First Place Championship in Accounting II.

The award was part of a comprehensive competitive events program sponsored annually by Future Business Leaders of America-Phi Beta Lambda, Inc. (FBLA-PBL). Individuals, state teams, and local chapters are encouraged to compete in any of nearly 40 different events representing a wide range of activities and the business and leadership development focus of FBLA-PBL. The winners of these high, competitive and prestigious awards are selected from among FBLA-PBL's membership of 270,000 students and represent some of the best and brightest of today's youth.

The 6,000 plus delegates to the National Leadership Conference participated in a structured, four-day meeting that included business and leadership training workshops and seminars, corporate tours and the election of national officers.

Future Business Leaders of America-Phi Beta Lambda, Inc. (FBLA-PBL) is the national business education association that prepares students for careers in business and business education. Its members, belonging to more than 12,000 chartered chapters, included students from the United States, the Virgin Islands, Puerto Rico and Europe. Future Business Leaders of America is the high school division and Phi Beta Lambda is designed for post-secondary and college students.

She was accompanied to Orlando by her mother, Linda Rice, and her accounting coach, Marsella Jennings. The group arrived in Orlando on Wednesday, June 27, and traveled to Daytona Beach for two days on the beach. On Friday, they visited NASA and the Kennedy Space Center. Part of the tour included an airboat ride. They arrived back in Orlando Friday evening. Along with the FBLA conference, they were able to visit Universal Studios and Disney World.

Rachelle was the silver medalist in UIL accounting during her freshman year at Lazbuddie High School. She was awarded the gold medals in UIL computer science during her sophomore, junior and senior years and graduated as valedictorian of her

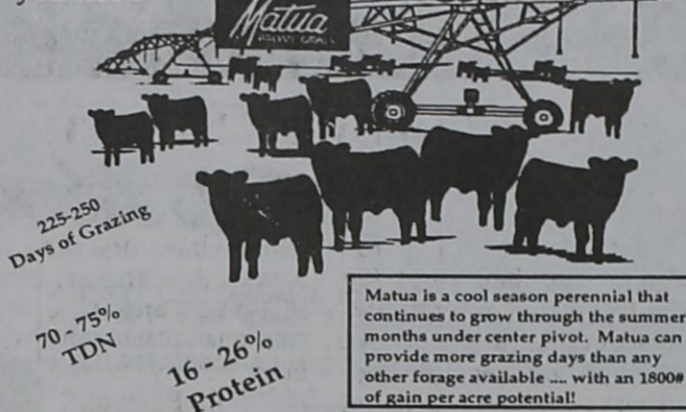


RACHELLE RICE

class of 1995.

She will be a freshman honors student at Texas Tech University this fall majoring in horticulture and landscape architecture. Her parents are Doug Rice and Linda Rice of Lazbuddie.

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"Beef Day" Proclaimed

Calling on all Texans to sink their teeth into a juicy steak or burger, Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry has declared Labor Day--Monday, September 4--"Texas Beef Day."

"Texas is the country's leading beef-producing state, and Labor Day is one of the biggest days of the year for cooking out," Perry said. "I can't think of two better reasons to stampeade your butcher with orders for you favorite cuts of Texas beef."

Perry said plentiful supplies at reasonable prices should encourage consumers to buy beef for the holiday.

"Beef is a great way to reward yourself on the day set aside to recognize the contribution of working people," Perry said. "You've worked hard all year. Put a steak on the grill, and enjoy your day off."

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THIS IS A DRAMATIZED VERSION OF FACTS TAKEN FROM THE BOOK OF AMOS, CHRONOLOGICALLY AND AUTHENTICALLY CONSOLIDATED!

AMOS • THE SHEPHERD TURNED PROPHET

AMOS, THE SHEPHERD, HAS HEARD THE CALL FROM THE LORD TO GO AND TO PREACH TO THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL AGAINST THEIR SINFUL WAYS, WHICH HAVE ANGERED THE LORD, AND NOW...

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...RETURNING TO HIS VILLAGE, AMOS IS GREETED BY HIS NEIGHBORS...

WE DID NOT EXPECT THEE BACK SO SOON - BUT IT IS GOOD, FOR THE FRUIT ON MY SYCAMORES MUST BE PICKED!

NAY, NOW, I CAN NOT DRESS THE TREES, FOR I MUST HASTEN NORTH TO PREACH TO THE SINNERS IN ISRAEL!

THESE CITY DWELLERS WILL LAUGH AT THEE - AFTER THEY HAVE BROKEN THY HEAD!

AND WHO WILL DRESS THE FRUIT OF MY SYCAMORE TREES IF THOU LEAVEST HERE?!

CANST THOU PREACH TO THE PRIESTS, AND THE PRINCES OF ISRAEL, THOU, A HERDSMAN, AND UNEDUCATED MAN?!

...AND AMOS TELLS HIS FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS HOW THE LORD HAS CALLED HIM TO SPEAK TO THE PEOPLE! CONSTERNATION REIGNS AND THERE ARE VIOLENT OBJECTIONS TO AMOS' COURSE OF ACTION! HOW CAN AN UNEDUCATED HERDSMAN DARE TO PREACH TO THE SOPHISTICATED AND KNOWLEDGEABLE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL?!

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Carol's Column... "My Turn"

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pass an order for the sale of the courthouse bonds.

Judge Hamlin had no control over the Commissioners Court and so kept silent until one of the commissioners conveniently moved from the county. Hamlin then appointed one of his "yes" men to the vacant post. In the meantime, John Aldridge appeared in Farwell with a petition signed by most of the citizens of Bovina, asking that Judge Hamlin appoint him, Aldridge, to succeed the previous Bovina Commissioner.

Judge Hamlin tore up the petition and threw it in the wastebasket and later when recalling the incident said "I told Aldridge that he was a fool if he thought I was going to lose the opportunity of gaining control of the court over which I presided."

When Hamlin's hand-picked commissioner was sworn in, the proposition of selling the bonds for courthouse construction resulted in a tie vote, which Hamlin broke by casting his own vote in favor of selling the bonds and proceeding with the construction of the courthouse in Farwell.

Hamlin had previously gotten plans and specifications for the building drawn up. Immediately after casting the deciding vote, he boarded a train for Chicago, where with the help of his old family friends, the Farwells, he sold the bonds at a small premium and

turned over the money to the County Treasurer.

It was about 1916 and Hamlin realized that he could still lose his dream of a courthouse in Farwell, since the coming November election would see a new Commissioner elected for the Bovina precinct and the new fellow would most likely be opposed to the building in Farwell. So he hurriedly pushed through a contract with an Amarillo company to build the courthouse and he immediately purchased thousands of dollars of building materials which were unloaded at the Farwell site. He then had the treasurer turn over the entire courthouse fund to the construction company, assuring that there would be no more debate over this matter.

In 1946, two eminent historians persuaded Judge Hamlin to dictate his reminiscences which they later compiled and edited into Hamlin's biography "The Flamboyant Judge," available at the Friona Public Library. At that time, Hamlin requested that no book about him be published for 25 years and the authors complied with his wishes, publishing the book in 1973.

The moral of the story is this.... politicians have always done things just the way they wanted and it's no different now in 1995 than it was in 1907 or 1914.

The location of the courthouse in Farwell and the provincial attitude of the court has caused friction to exist between the rest of the towns in Parmer County for over 80 years. Isn't that long enough?

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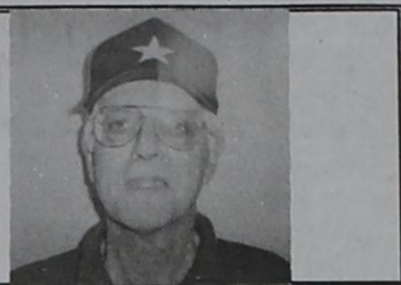
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Out Here

By RON CARR



Which of the following requests are most often heard by an Allsup's clerk?...

A) "Pardon me. Do you have any burritos prepared?"

B) "Hey, man, you got any burritos, man?"

C) "What are those brown things?"

Communications. It is an important part of all our lives.

Everyday we read signs, newspapers, watch TV, or work on our computers. This is the communications age.

The Internet, CNN, local news, and even our award-winning weekly newspapers, Friona Star & Bovina Blade, provide necessary communications to the populus.

As computers take over, good old fashioned reading and writing seem to be disappearing. Or at least taking a back seat in the education process.

Time after time, we hear people interviewed on the news and the conversation goes something like this: "Well, you know, we, you know, could have won, man, but, you know, the other team, well, they were, you know, just better than us today."

The people talking like this are usually millionaire athletes, a great example for our young people.

The other day, I was at the Bovina High School football practice, taking some pictures and trying to get to know some of the student athletes.

When I took a picture of one young man, and told him I was from the newspaper, he said, "What newspaper?"

To be honest, his question shocked me. This is Bovina, population 1500. How many newspapers are there in Bovina?

The realization that this youth did not know that there was a newspaper hit me like a ton of bricks.

Does anybody read anymore, much less write? Is life just athletics, cheerleading, a phone in my Camaro, let's watch TV, and if it isn't on the computer, forget about it.

Electronic news is so instant today that we can virtually watch people being killed. When the U.S. finally sent troops to Haiti,

we watched live as they came ashore.

CD players, Windows 95, stop action, and replay. Alas, we are a visual information society.

Here is my challenge to teachers at all levels in Friona and Bovina school systems, especially those in English, Speech, Drama, or History.

Let's challenge the students to be better "readers and writers". Create a competition for your kids and I will help publicize their accomplishment.

Call me and I will help you with essay contests, judging and editing writings.

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If interested, I would be happy to speak to your students, answer questions, and encourage accomplishment.

I will speak to your club, or group, or organization about the printed word.

So, what do you say, man. You got any good ideas, man? Well, uh, you know, if I can, you know, help, just, uh, call me on your cellular.

In the meantime, read a book. Or better yet, write one.

Longtime Resident Maesie Flynn Dies

Graveside services were held at 2 p.m. Monday, August 28 at Friona Cemetery for Maesie Miller Flynn, 80, of Bovina. Rev. Richard Grisham, pastor of Bovina Baptist Church, conducted the services.

Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Flynn died August 26, 1995 at High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo.

She was born October 17, 1914 in Woodward, Oklahoma. She was a member of the First

Baptist Church of Bovina, where she was an active member of the choir, was a member of the Eastern Star and Bovina Senior Citizens, did volunteer work at Prairie Acres Nursing Home and was a Pink Lady at Plains Regional Medical Center in Clovis, New Mexico.

Survivors include one sister, Grace Parr of Friona; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers were Ira Bruce Parr, Johnny Miller, Jack Miller, Sie Walker, Harold Griffin and Kim Parr.

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MARGARET CHARLES Margaret Charles' Rites Set

Funeral services for Margaret Charles, 75, of Bovina, will be conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday at First United Methodist Church, with Rev. Neely Landrun officiating.

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

Mrs. Charles passed away August 31, 1995 at St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock. She was born August 12, 1920 in Chillicothe.

She was a member of First United Methodist Church in Bovina, where she belonged to the United Methodist Women's organization, the Wesleyan Service Guild, and worked with the Methodist Youth for many years.

Mrs. Charles was a member of the Eastern Star, and had been a bookkeeper with the Charles Oil Company for many years. She also was a rural route mail carrier for many years.

Margaret was an accomplished artist and musician. She painted in oils, and enjoyed playing the piano.

Survivors include a son, Billy J. Charles of Bovina and a daughter, Harriette Glasscock of Carrollton; four grandchildren: Ginger Muzljakovich, Melissa Catero, Brooke Charles and Cameron Charles.

Five great-grandchildren also survive.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
 September 3--Kristopher Guest and Virginia Rhodes.
 September 4--Margaret Durben.
 September 5--Jean Wise-man, Lance McClaran, Tammy Cathey.
 September 7--Jerry Wilburn and Leon Schilling.
 (If someone in your family, or someone you know, is observing a birthday, please call 238-1523 on Mondays, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., and put their name on our birthday calendar.)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Bovina ISD is accepting bids for a pickup for the transportation department. Interested bidders should contact:

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1995 Property Tax Rates In Bovina ISD

This notice concerns 1995 property tax rates for Bovina ISD. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the school district used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the school district can set before it must hold a rollback election. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes and state funds by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:

Last year's operating rates	\$511,870.44
Last year's debt taxes	-0-
Last year's total taxes	\$511,870.44
Last year's tax base	\$52,525,393
Last year's total tax rate	\$1.0250/\$100

This year's effective tax rate:

Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$511,870.43
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$50,671,096
= This year's effective tax rate	\$1.0102/\$100
x 1.03=maximum rate unless the school district publishes notices and holds hearing	\$1.0405/\$100

This year's rollback rate:

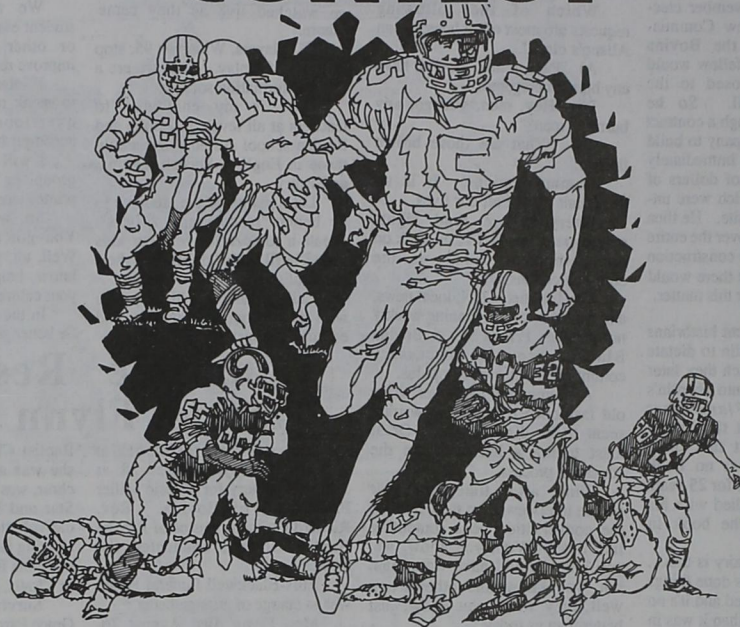
Last year's adjusted operating taxes	\$511,870.43
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$50,671,096
= This year's local maintenance and operating rate	\$1.0102/\$100
x Student enrollment adjustment	\$1.0035
= This year's adjusted maintenance and operating rate	\$1.0137/\$100
+ \$0.08 cents=this year's maximum operating rate	\$1.0937/\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$ -0- /\$100
+ Rate to recoup loss certified by commissioner of education	\$ -0- /\$100
+ Additional rate for pollution control	\$ -0- /\$100
= This year's rollback rate	\$1.0937/\$100

Schedule A Unencumbered Fund Balances
The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.
Type of Property Tax Fund \$509,903.00

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at Parmer County Appraisal District
Name of person preparing this notice: Ronald E. Procter
Title: Chief Appraiser
Date prepared: August 22, 1995

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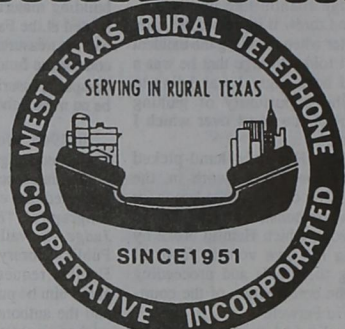
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4. Winners will be named by the Monday following the contest deadline each Friday, if possible. Cash prizes of \$10.00 for first, \$7.50 for second, and third prize of \$5.00 will be awarded.
5. Tabulation of individual entrants will be kept all season and at the end of the season the Grand Prize Winner will be named.
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8. Tabulations will be available for public inspection. Members of the Blade staff will serve as judges for the contest.
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