



## Bull Town Bulletins By Bill Ellis

DO YOU EVER think about all the wrecks that never happened? Of course not. It is only when disaster occurs that we think of the importance of an employee. The head honchos of Exxon probably never heard of the captain of the Exxon Valdez until he allegedly spent the afternoon in a bar taking on fluids and that evening disgorging them. Those drinks brought one of the world's largest companies to its knees and cost about \$2 billion...and still counting. (That's about \$400 million a drink, I think).

Speaking of drink, the Perrier Company of France also found out the hard way about the power of people. It is now speculated that a single employee cleaned Perrier's water filters with benzene instead of the usual cleaner, and that simple mistake cost the company its reputation and \$40 million.

AT&T customers had a hard time reaching out and touching someone recently because a single technician forgot to program some information into a computer. People couldn't get through. AT&T was embarrassed on national television, and MCI and Sprint got some new customers, all because of a single individual. That one person had a bigger effect on AT&T's bottom line than the Chairman of the Board.

Conglomerates today are run by committees, task forces and consensus, but it is the person at the counter or the driver of the truck who is often the image of your company. That is why the world will never be taken over by the junk bond kings. McDonald's may have fancy ads on television, but if the kids at the counter were rude, nobody would come back. If the pump jockey at the local station filled your gas tank with diesel you wouldn't believe Exxon when it said the situation in Alaska was "environmentally stabilized."

Oftentimes our impressions of a company are formed by just one employee out of 12,000. A good example was brought to mind recently on a local television show. A trash disposal firm was trying to get the county's okay for a new landfill near a small town. All the city fathers were against it but finally it was before the townspeople in a referendum. Much to everyone's surprise it passed. When a little old lady was asked why she voted for it she replied, "because my trash man always comes early and on time. I figure it is a responsible company." Ah, the power of the person!

It was thinking about why I deal with certain businesses in the area and it almost always came down to a single person. I buy my farm supplies from a firm because once I ordered some heavy panels from them and a nice young man not only delivered them, he helped me put them in place. I go back to a local fast food joint because one time I accidentally knocked a Coke out of the waitress' hand and she insisted it was her fault. I buy my cars from a nice man largely because when I take my car in to get it serviced he also washes it for me. I patronize a restaurant because the waiter always remembers my name and knows how I like my steak.

So here's to the company truck driver who stops and helps a lady fix a flat and here's to the garbage man who is always on time. Here's to the cowboy who always leaves a gate as he found it. Here's to the newspaper boy who doesn't throw your paper on your roof. Here's to the baker who gives you a baker's dozen, to the clerk who gives you a smile and here's to the farmer who is careful with chemicals.

Thank goodness for the insults that were never spoken, the gates that were closed, the doors that were opened and all the wrecks that never happened.

And here's to the people who know the power of the person. (Borrowed from Lee Pitts, Durango, Colo., by way of Jake Outland)



INVESTIGATION CONTINUES....Diana Lumbrera, a former Bovina resident, is on trial in Kansas following the death of her four-year-old son, Jose. Authorities are also investigating the deaths of her five other children and a cousin's child. Pictured standing by three of the graves in the Bovina Cemetery is Deputy Sheriff Richard Bonham.

## DOCTOR RETIRING

# "Dr. Paul" Reflects On 42-Year Career

BY BILL ELLIS

He has seen medicine advance from the use of sulfa drugs to the development of penicillin and hundreds of other "wonder drugs."

He has delivered over 5,000 babies in his career.

He has served as the "family doctor" for literally thousands of area residents.

On Wednesday, June 20, 1990, Dr. Paul Spring officially retired from his practice at Parmer County Community Hospital, ending a 42-year career as a staff member of the Friona medical facility.

"Doctor Paul," as he is known by most of his patients and friends, said he felt as though he had practiced medicine during the profession's "Golden Age."

"I have always had a great doctor-patient relationship with my patients. I feel as though I was lucky to see all of the changes in medicine during my career. It has been a great 42 years," Dr. Spring said.

The longtime Parmer County physician said that his medical career locally had been extremely interesting as well as enjoyable. "The people in this area have been great, and I have always had a most helpful staff who have put in a lot of hours. It has been wonderful," he added.

Dr. Spring, who was born and raised in Parmer County, observed his 74th birthday on the job last Friday, June 15 at the hospital.

As a high school student working at J.R. Roden's Drug Store in Friona, he watched a doctor administer a sulfa pill to a young patient. Sulfa drugs, once considered the "main weapon" against certain serious diseases, are no longer used by the medical profession.

The young Paul Spring used to hang around the doctor's office, which was located in the rear of the drug store, and this may have whetted his appetite for a career in medicine.

As a medical student, Dr. Paul recalls that a doctor at his medical school called several of the students in and had them watch as

the doctor gave a seriously ill patient a penicillin shot.

Penicillin was still in its experimental stages, and Dr. Paul remembers that the dose given the man was greenish in color. "It was unpurified. But it saved the man's life. We saw an almost immediate change in his condition. The doctor thought he was giving the patient a 'massive' dose of penicillin, but it was less than we now give to newborn infants," he commented.

Dr. Spring received his B.S. degree from Texas Tech in chemistry. He attended Baylor Medical School in Dallas two years, before the school made a change and moved to Houston. He finished at Southwestern Medical School of Dallas.

He served an internship at the University of Arkansas, and then spent two years in the Armed Forces as a doctor in Korea, attached to the U.S. Air Force.

Following his stint in Korea, Dr. Spring decided he needed a "refresher course," so he took residency at St. Rita's Hospital in Lima, Ohio.

He was serving as a resident at the Ohio hospital when he began getting calls from Dr. H.H. Cook, who was the only doctor at the fledgling Parmer County Hospital.

"Dr. Cook told me that he had more than he could handle, and was in bad health, and needed help immediately. I secured permission from the Ohio hospital to leave, and came back to Friona. It turned out that Dr. Cook was in fine health, and as soon as I got settled, he left, and then I was the only doctor for about two years," Dr. Spring said.

At the time, "Dr. Paul" was unmarried, so he spent considerable time at the hospital as the only doctor in the county. "I practically lived at the hospital," he recalls.

In those days, the "hospital," consisted of the old POW barracks which had at one time housed German prisoners near Hereford. The hospital was located on Highway 60 at the present site of Friona State Bank.

Dr. Paul recalls that the first

## IN KANSAS

# Lumbrera To Stand Trial For Murder

A former Bovina resident, Diana Lumbrera, will have to stand trial on charges of murdering her four-year-old son, Jose, after the conclusion of a hearing last Friday in Garden City, Kansas.

The former Parmer County resident sat motionless as Magistrate Judge Claude Heath said at the end of 2½ days of testimony that the prosecutor had met the burden of proving a crime had been committed, and establishing that Ms. Lumbrera, 31, probably committed the killing.

She is accused of smothering Jose Lumbrera, then taking his body to a hospital emergency room.

Parmer County authorities are

## Lions Club To Sell Fireworks

The Lions Club is sponsoring a fireworks stand. Their doors will be open from June 25 through July Fourth.

The stand will be located beside the Bovina Pump Company on Highway 86. Fireworks will be sold beginning at 10 a.m. until 10 p.m. daily.

continuing their investigation of the deaths of five other children of Ms. Lumbrera, plus a cousin's child that she was baby-sitting, while she lived in this area.

Testimony from a Garden City police detective during the Friday morning session revealed Ms. Lumbrera had said she believed her children had died because she was cursed by a "curandero," a person with witch-like magical powers.

She also claimed to have suffered from at least one blackout prior to Jose's death, after another detective asked her if she was subject to such temporary lapses of consciousness.

Ms. Lumbrera appeared to briefly wipe tears away as she spoke quietly with her attorney, Michael Quint, after the hearing. Quint again argued unsuccessfully that she should be released on her own recognizance, or that her \$50,000 bond be reduced.

"Her initial reaction was disappointment," Quint said. "She was hoping it was all over with."

One of Ms. Lumbrera's sisters, 25-year-old Virginia Bribiesca of Garden City, sat through the hearing. She said it was "stupid" of authorities to believe her sister killed her only surviving child. "That girl has worked so hard, to try to support that kid and herself," she said. The two women worked together at the Montford beef packing plant in Garden City.

Prosecutor Richard Hodson opposes any reduction in bond because Ms. Lumbrera might flee to Mexico if released.

Dr. Eva Vachel, a Garden City pathologist, ruled that Jose Lumbrera died of "asphyxia due to smothering," and found no signs of life-threatening illness.

However, a second pathological report showed that the boy died of a chronic viral infection that showed up in his liver, lungs, heart and other organs.

The prosecutor wants to secure a third pathologist's opinion.

Hodson contends that Ms. Lumbrera's motive for killing the child was "a combination of sympathy and money--sympathy to get money."

"Diana Lumbrera was in debt-chronically in debt," he said.

Hodson cited testimony that Ms. Lumbrera had applied for several loans at a local credit union, saying

she needed money to pay for cancer treatments for her son.

She even told a loan officer her father had been killed in a car wreck taking the boy to Mexico for treatment. Her father is still alive, and there were no signs her son ever had cancer, or received broken bones she claimed he suffered in the car crash, Hodson declared.

## July 4th Worship Service Set

The third annual July 4th community-wide worship service will be held in the City Park Sunday, July 1 at 10 a.m.

This service will include singing, worship, and all veterans will be recognized and honored.

Everyone in the community is urged to attend the services and bring a picnic lunch for your family. Tables will be set up in the park and beverages will be provided.

## Harvest Is Nearing Completion

About two-thirds of the wheat has been harvested in this area, according to Harry Johnson of Sherley Grain Company.

Johnson said he believed the dryland wheat was better than most expected, and the irrigated crops were not as good as expected.

The first load of wheat was delivered by Jerry Roach and was harvested on Pearl Hasting's farm a mile south of Bovina. It was brought to the elevator June 6. The test weight was 58.8 and moisture content was 14.3. Johnson said the next day a load was brought in from another farm and moisture content was only 8.

Due to the dry conditions, the moisture content will continue to be very low, according to elevator employees.



FROM PEOPLE TO PLANTS....Dr. Paul Spring was caught "doctoring" his garden this week. Turns out he is quite the horticulturist and plans to spend lots of time in this "practice."

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# REFLECTIONS

....from The Bovina Blade

**30 YEARS AGO—JUNE 15, 1960**  
Donna Jean Hobdy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A.P. Hobdy, former residents of Bovina, received a B.S. degree from Texas Women's University at Denton, Sunday, June 5.

Turbulent black clouds dropped a cloudburst of almost four inches of rain, mixed with hail north of Bovina Friday and set off a tornado alert in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. A.M. Wilson, Suzanne and Pam, returned Friday afternoon from vacationing in California. Points of interest the

Wilsons visited included Disneyland, Marineland, Knotts Berry Farm and Los Angeles.

**25 YEARS AGO—JUNE 16, 1965**

Work is scheduled to begin this week on a new \$100,000 bank building for Bovina. Bob Estes, president of First National Bank of Bovina, announced this week that the contract for construction of the new building has been let to Robert Boston of Amarillo.

Funeral services for Rev. Clarence Howard, 60, a former pastor of Bovina Pentecostal

Holiness Church, were conducted Wednesday of last week in Amarillo. He died in an Amarillo hospital Sunday, June 16.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Clayton observed their silver wedding anniversary Sunday in their home south of Bovina.

**20 YEARS AGO—JUNE 17, 1970**

The first load of 1970 wheat was delivered to the elevator 10 days before the first load of 1969 and was termed "real good grain."

Miss Linda Rejino, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben C. Rejino of Bovina, was presented three letter awards in physical education at Marymount College for competition during the 1969-70 school year.

Suzanne Wilson and Candy Wilson left Bovina Sunday for a month's tour of Europe. The girls are daughters of Mr. and Mrs. A.M. Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Wilson, respectively, of Bovina. Both are May graduates of Bovina High School.

**15 YEARS AGO—JUNE 18, 1975**

Over 200 attended the first Father's Day dinner here Sunday at Bovina Schools Cafeteria. The beef dinner was sponsored by Bovina CowBelles with Mrs. Vernon Estes serving as chairman of the project.

Kenneth Cary, manager of Bovina Pump Co., was named Father of the Year. He was presented a roast of beef, donated by Bovina Supermarket, and a copper replica of the CowBelle bell insignia.

Miss Linda Marcom, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Marcom, performed at the annual Honors Recital of the Catuogno Plano School of Lubbock on May 25.

**10 YEARS AGO—JUNE 25, 1980**

Larry Scott received the bonus check from Sherley Grain for the first load of wheat harvested.

Re-investing \$50,000 of county money from the general fund, and approval of payment of the county's Workman's Compensa-

tion insurance highlighted the regular meeting of the Parmer County Commissioners.

Funeral rites were held for Malinda Schlenker, 92, pioneer of the Rhea community.

Cotton production from 25 High Plains counties came to 2,750,000 bales of 480 pounds net weight, according to figures released.

Patsy Nance, who is employed as the Bovina School Tax Assessor, will assume duties July 1 as the chief appraiser for the new Parmer County Tax Appraisal Board.

The Bovina area was sweltering under the season's first heat wave and the temperature hit the 100-degree mark and then some.

**5 YEARS AGO—JUNE 26, 1985**

Manuel Fyrias, 26, was killed in a car-train accident and also injured was a fourteen year old passenger.

Kathy Rundell graduated from West Texas State University with a degree in physical education and earned a teaching certificate in the fields of physical education and biology.

Stacy Whitecotton and Teresa McCormick were listed on the president's and dean's honor rolls at Texas Tech University.

Jesus Gonzales arrived in West Germany to begin his Army duty.

A fish fry was held at the Church of Christ with 150 people attending. The fish were provided by B.L. and Teen Marshall.



**LEAH STEELMAN and BRYAN MASON....Mr. and Mrs. Richard Steelman of Bovina announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Leah, to Bryan Mason of Cannon AFB, son of Richard and Beverly Stone of Denton, Texas. The couple will exchange wedding vows Saturday, August 4 at 4 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Bovina. The reception will immediately follow the ceremony. The bride-elect has completed her junior year at Bovina High School and will graduate from Clovis High School in 1991. The prospective bridegroom is a 1985 graduate of Midway High School, Henrietta, Texas. He is currently serving in the United States Air Force and is stationed at Cannon AFB in Clovis. The ceremony and reception are open to friends and relatives.**

## Plans Made For July 4th Events

The third annual July 4th activities will begin at 5 p.m. at the football field in Bovina.

Several events will take place. The first event will be the volleyball tournament. Those who wish to participate need to be there by 4:30 p.m. and games will begin at 5 p.m. Susan Hughes is in charge.

The Chamber of Commerce will sponsor several events. The events and those in charge are: volleyball tournament, Susan Hughes; cake walk, Tami Kunselman and Kay Roach; greased pig chase, Coleman Young; talent show, Kim Black; basketball toss, Dickie Clayton and Bob Stafford.

The Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a fireworks display to begin at dark.

The Chamber is selling tickets for raffles to be held. The tickets sell for \$3.00 each or two for \$5.00. These can be purchased from any director or at First Bank.

First prize for the Chamber raffle will be a lawn chair set now on display at the Bank. Second prize will be a gas lawn mower. Third prize will be a barbecue grill and two \$100 savings bonds.

A concession stand will also be provided by the Chamber.

The Parent-Teacher Association will be in charge of a booth and will sell snocones. The Bovina Lions Club will sponsor a pet show and Ella Jo Stormes is in charge of this event.

The Bovina Volunteer Fire Department will be donating \$200 toward the purchase of the fireworks display and will be raffling meat and also provide a watermelon feed for the community. Tickets can be purchased for \$1.50 each from any fireman.

The Junior High School cheerleaders will sponsor a dunking board.

Everyone is invited to attend and participate in all these activities.

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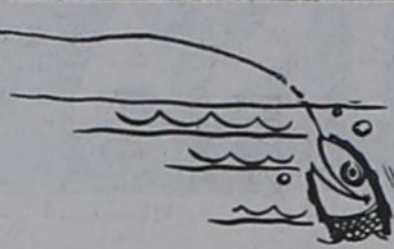
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# Angler's Corner



By M.D. McCALLUM

At the end of last week's column, we were exploring habits of the walleye and the use of a depth finder in locating the wily creature.

First let's look at what a depth finder is primarily used for. When these devices first came out they were hailed as a boon to fishermen and faulted as a device that could destroy the fishery through over-harvesting. Luckily the latter never came to pass and former was never more true.

These sonar units were called fish finders which in itself is not the whole story. These devices are better suited for locating a particular habitat than actually displaying the fish. While it is true that the unit will show fish, you will more than likely catch fish

when none are shown especially when hunting for the walleye as these fish tend to be bottom huggers thereby making it difficult for even the most sophisticated sonars to differentiate between the fish and the bottom or structure.

Considering the types of lakes in these areas which are primarily deep and devoid of open lake cover this unit when combined with marker buoys will help you in maintaining the desired boat position. Next time you're on the lake, toss a marker on the water wait a couple of minutes and see how far you have drifted from the marker. You might be surprised at how far you have gone even in calm conditions. Using the shore for reference can leave too large an area to cover thereby reducing the chances of catching anything.

Depth finders range from the relatively inexpensive to units costing over a thousand dollars or more. A liquid crystal display (LCD) is much easier to use than the flasher type as the LCD shows you a computer generated picture of what's below the water. A flasher is much more difficult to master as the bottom and fish are displayed only as lines on the dial.

When using any depth finder you need to keep in mind the location of the transducer which sends the signal down and receives a return. If the transducer is located in the rear of the boat you have already passed over the image you are looking at. Even on a midships or bow mounted transducer the display speed selected may cause the image to still be behind you. I use the fastest display speed available on the LCD

in order to receive the info quickly and ascertain its actual location in relation to the current boat position. Positioning is as important as your tackle since misread sonar images will lead to frustration with the unit. Every unit, even those of the same brand, work a little differently and experience with your unit is the only way to come to appreciate your sonar's ability to locate a particular spot.

Don't worry about those other functions of the unit until you are comfortable with the read-out. You don't have to use other features such as bottom lock or zoom. With most sonars, simply turning them on will produce the desired results. The speed of the display might be all you ever need to use.

When using a marker buoy for reference, an electric trolling motor will keep you on position or you can anchor. When anchoring be sure to ease the anchor into the water. Do not just drop the anchor as the resulting splash and noise will most certainly frighten any fish below it and disturb the habitat. On windy days, which walleye prefer, anchoring is your best bet. With the depths involved be sure to have at least 100 feet of strong line. Anchoring from the bow is the safest way as a stern anchored boat can be quickly swamped by a large wave. A bow anchored boat will always swing into the wind and rides higher on the water. Be sure to keep a sharp knife safely tucked near the anchor rope so that you can cut the rope if an unsafe situation develops. An anchor is easier to replace than an angler and usually much cheaper,

too. The walleye is not necessarily a hard striking fish. When compared to a bass that inhales a volume of water surrounding its prey, the walleye will simply pick up your offering from the tail then will turn and move away from you. This is why many professional walleyes use spinning gear with the bail open holding the line with their finger. Too much pressure on the fish will cause it to spit out the bait as it feels unnatural to the walleye. Finesse is the key.

Slab-spoons and jigging spoons tipped with live bait are documented producers for walleyes. You need to remove the treble hook and replace it with a single bait hook to accomplish this. Modifying lures is common practice in modern angling. There are various spinners available for live bait which add flash and vibrations when working or trolling the lure. Check with your local tackle shop or marina for these devices.

As mentioned in the first column, crankbaits also produce. This is usually at night or early in the morning before the water heats up or when trolling. Numerous anglers have caught walleye while crankbaiting for bass. A double crappie rig with minnows also works on this fish. My first experience with walleyes involved a double hook-up on a crappie rig much to the chagrin of my boat partners. Doubles are rare though.

We will continue on the subject of walleyes next week. Until then keep that line tight (but not too tight in the case of walleyes) and good luck on the water.

## VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

\*Teams or individuals may pre-register for the second annual Bovina Chamber of Commerce July 4th volleyball tournament.

\*Fee--\$30 per team or \$5 for individuals.

Send to Susan Hughes, HCR 1-C3, Bovina.

\*More information, call (806) 238-1474.

\*Entries due by July 3. Teams or individuals need to be at the field by 4:30 p.m. Games begin at 5 p.m.

## Assistance Available For Women

The Breast Screening Program of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and High Plains Baptist Hospital of Amarillo, in cooperation with South Plains Health Care Providers, Inc., will begin community breast cancer screening clinics in Littlefield in June for women in need of financial assistance.

Funding is available through the Texas Cancer Council for Texas residents requiring financial assistance for screening mammography, in an effort to provide screening to a previously underserved group of women.

Early detection of breast cancer is the major goal of cancer control for each woman seen in the clinic. The clinic provides low cost screening which includes a breast exam by a Registered Nurse trained in breast cancer detection, teaching of breast self examination and a mammogram.

Currently, the most effective method known to win the battle against breast cancer is early detection. Early detection is best done by following the guidelines recommended by the American Cancer Society for breast cancer screening for women who have no signs or symptoms of breast cancer. The guidelines are:

1. Learn and perform breast self examination every month.
2. Have a physical examination of the breasts every year.
3. Have a mammogram according to the recommendations by age (age 35-40, one baseline mammogram); 40-50, a mammogram every 1-2 years; over 50, yearly mammograms.

A clinic will be held on Wednesday, July 18 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Friona at Parmer County Community Hospital. Exams are done by appointment only. For more information about the clinic or to make an appointment, please call the Harrington Cancer Center at our toll free number, 1-800-274-4673. Locally, for more information, contact Elda Hart at 247-2754.

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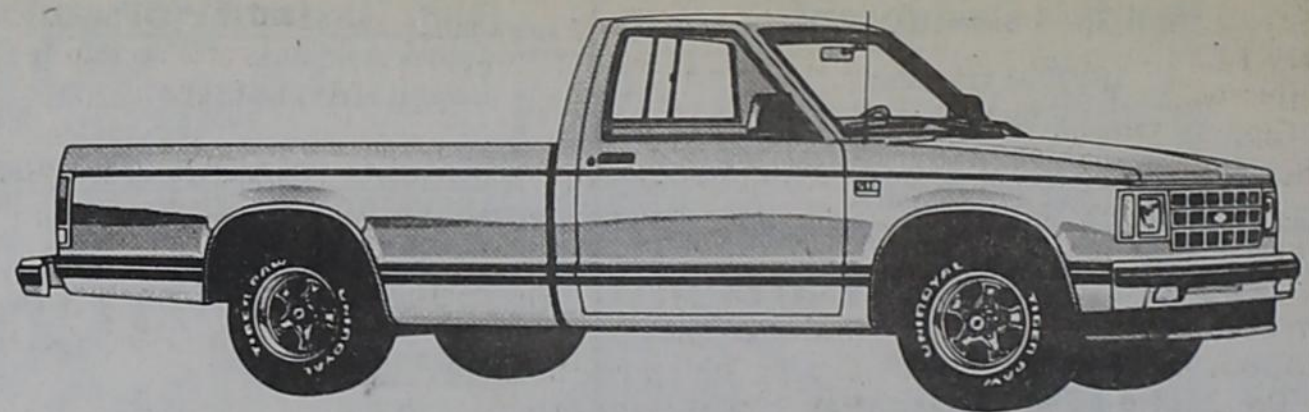
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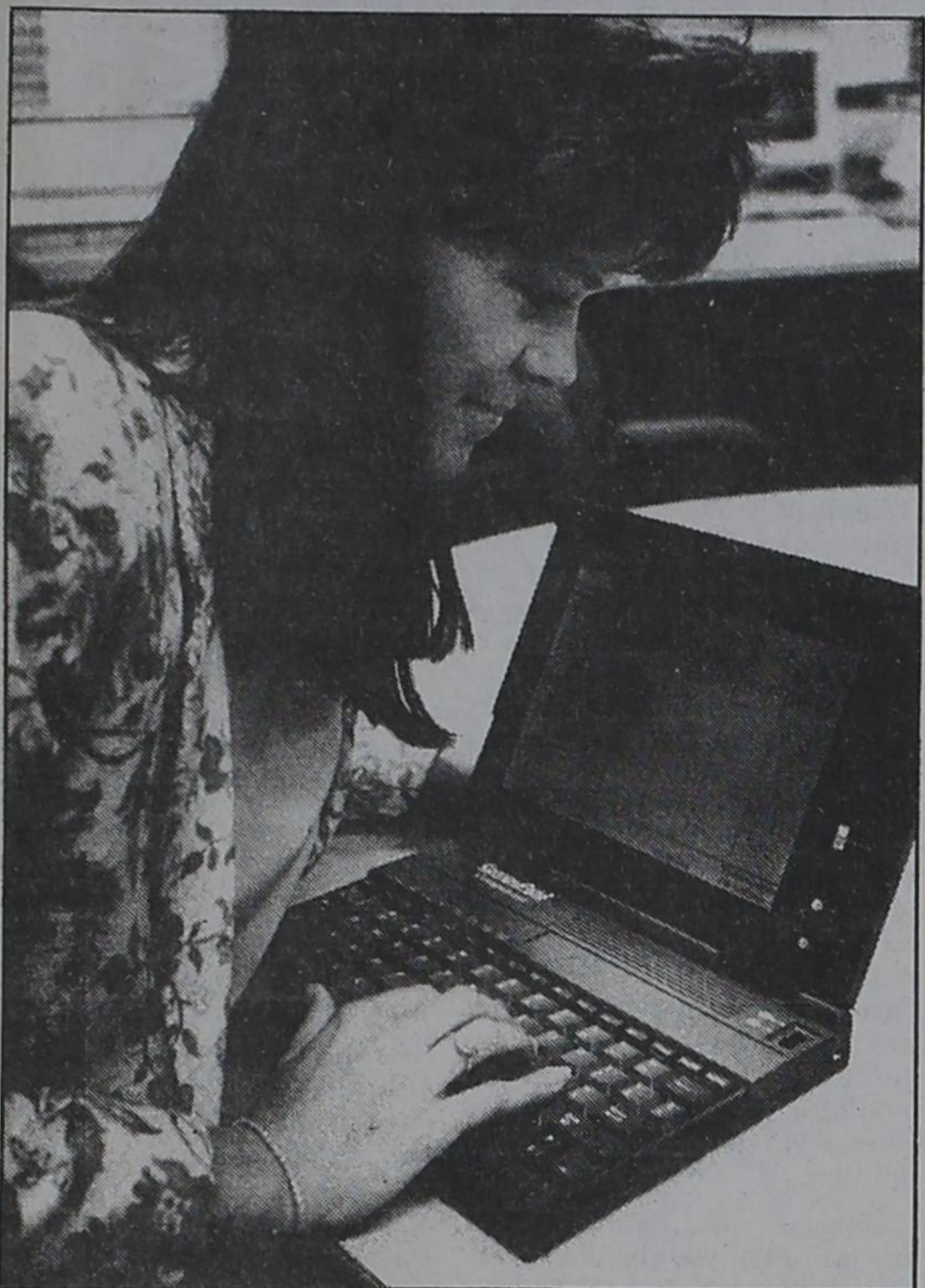
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alignment. No pain-killing drug can cure the CAUSE. It can dull the pain for awhile and give you temporary relief. But if your back is out of alignment, the pain will probably not go away unless you get the treatment you need. No symptom can be more depressing than persistent back pain. Don't delay treatment when help is readily available.

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**DEMONSTRATES COMPUTER....**Lynda Dybdahl-Sudderth, CompuAdd national sales representative, shows off the new portable Companion computer.

## CompuAdd's New Computer A Notebook-Size Companion

By KIRK LADENDORF  
American-Statesman Staff Writer  
CompuAdd Corp.'s newest computer is also its smallest. The Austin-based company will introduce its notebook-sized Companion this week and market it to business travelers and professionals who want a

computer to go. The pint-sized Companion fits into a business briefcase and weighs 4.4 pounds.

"It's at the leading edge of notebook-class computing both in function and price," said CompuAdd spokesman John Pope.

The machine sells for \$2,895 in its standard configuration, which includes an 80C286 microprocessor; one million bytes of random memory, expandable to three million bytes; a 20-million-byte hard disk drive; an 8x6-inch high-resolution display; a rechargeable internal battery pack and an AC adapter.

The machine comes with MS-DOS 4.01 and Lap-Link software installed. It can be plugged into other desktop systems to exchange software and data.

CompuAdd expects to begin delivering the new computer in July.

Lynda Dybdahl-Sudderth is a national sales representative for CompuAdd. She is married to Del Ray Sudderth and is the daughter-in-law of Glenden and Janie Sudderth of Bovina.



# Scooter's Scoops

By Scooter Russell



There was a time when 100 degree temperatures were a little unusual and certainly not for several days in a row, but that is how things are now. If it were not for the winds, we would be even more uncomfortable. We did receive about a tenth of an inch of rain the latter part of last week but only lasted a few minutes, to let us know it can still rain. Jimmy and I returned from a trip to Idaho and all week the highs were in the low sixties and the lows were in the thirties. They had had all the rain they wanted, too.

Opal Bowen is taking radium therapy from the South West Cancer Center in Lubbock and she takes the therapy every day except Saturday and Sunday. She has been taking the treatments for a week and will take them for two more weeks. If you want to call about her condition, you can contact her friend, Freda Lloyd.

Mary Alice Merrell is having a good time with two grandsons visiting. Dwight, seven, and Andrew, four, are spending the week with her. Their parents are David and Kay Merrell of Huntsville, Texas.

I talked Monday morning with Dub Brown's daughter who is with him. He was injured in an accident at the Chillicothe elevator and is in a hospital in Austin. She said he is still listed in critical condition, but he is off of the life support system now. Dub fell between thirty and forty feet and suffered two skull fractures and many cuts and bruises. The story is in another section of the Blade. Our thoughts are with him and his wife, Margaret.

I talked to Dottie Ward Monday morning and she said her husband, Vernon, was released from the Amarillo hospital Thursday of last week and his condition has improved. Said they were still talking surgery but will wait awhile. They have been with daughter, Kathy, in Amarillo but said they would be home for a few days and hopefully that will be in a short time.

Fred and Artie O'Hair enjoyed having their daughter, Sonja of

Dallas, for a visit. She came on June 6 and stayed until June 10. Artie said Fred took them out to eat and they celebrated his birthday. They had a good time with Sonja.

Our deepest sympathies to Veda McKay, whose mother passed away. She was Rosie Osburn and died at her home in Bovina. Services were held Sunday in Memphis, Texas.

We received a letter from Mildred O'Hair from Hooks, Texas and she wanted to share information on each of her five children. These are grandchildren of Artie and Fred O'Hair and their dad is Mike. Daughter Dena graduated from high school and plans are to attend college. Michael, a sophomore student, got high point marksman for District 5 in 4-H 22 rifle shooting contests and his show barrow received third place in the Texarkana FFA Show. Son Shane won third place in

Algebra I in UIL against 84 contestants. He received outstanding ninth grade bandsman. He won third place in 4-H rifle contests and was on the honor roll all year. Son Brian was outstanding seventh grade bandsman and won first place in the junior division of the 4-H rifle team. He, too, was on the honor roll all year. Daughter Carla Faye was on the honor roll all year and is in the second grade.

Jim and I have been vacationing. Week before last we enjoyed a few good days visiting with my sister, Jane, from Waukeshaw, Wisconsin. Last week we drove to Idaho and visited with family and stopped in Moriarty, New Mexico. We spent the night and visited with my brothers and their families.

Sunday, we went to Hereford and took our mothers to dinner. Then we enjoyed a cookout Sunday night with the Fosters and Kunselmanns at Lyndon and Stephanie Foster's home near Hub. We enjoyed visiting with all of them and also with Nicky and Carolyn Foster, who lived here years ago. Their home is in DeKalb and they said they'd had lots of rain. They also have a house in Hereford where they have spent time recently. Nicky said it was so dry in Hereford that "the coyotes were carrying canteens." Had a good time with all of them.

Asa Smith, Shirley Ware's dad, is hospitalized at the Central Plains Regional Hospital in Plainview. He entered the hospital a week ago Friday and underwent gall bladder surgery and then suffered pneumonia and other problems. His condition has improved and he was moved out of intensive care and is in room 202.

Had a great report on Ted Stallings who suffered burns and broken bones in a plane crash in

Pennsylvania in recent weeks. The grafting is completed and he is now in rehab and getting along real well. We are happy to hear the good news! The address there is: Greater Pittsburg Rehab Hospital Room 604, 2380 McGinley Rd., Monroeville, Pennsylvania, 15146.

SMILE: automation is the process that gets all the work done while you just sit there. When you were younger, this process was called Mother.

Thanks for helping with news and Scoops...Have a great week!...Scooter.

## Services Held For R. Osburn

Services for Rosie Ethel Osburn, 98, of Estelline, were held at 5 p.m. Sunday in the First Baptist Church of Memphis with the Rev. Steve White, pastor, officiating.

Burial was in Fairview Cemetery in Memphis.

She died Thursday night at her daughter's home in Bovina after an illness. She was born in Selma, Alabama, and married B.B. Osburn on January 17, 1915, in Marion, Alabama. They moved to Texas in 1917 and to Estelline in 1969. He died in 1974.

Survivors include two sons, Clifford of Canyon and B.B., Jr. of Clarendon; five daughters, Lena Freeze of Estelline, Ocie Lee Bibby of Memphis, Veda McKay of Bovina, Mary Ida Blythe of Houston and Rosie Nell Smith of Edmondson; a sister, Gillie Fain of Selma, Alabama; and several grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

## Show Steer Validation Set June 26

Parmer County show steer validation for all 4-H and FFA exhibitors will be held Thursday, June 26 from 9 a.m. until noon at the Jerry London farm located four miles west of Hub on the Bovina-Dimmitt Highway.

All show steers to be exhibited in the county, regional and state shows must be validated at this time.

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## Students Attend Electric Workshop

Six students from Bovina High School were among 70 Future Farmers of America (FFA) members who participated in the recent 28th annual FFA Electric Workshop sponsored by Southwestern Public Service Company (SPS) in Amarillo.

The students were Shane Branson, Andy Stormes, Rusty Venable, Joe Torres, Rey De La Rosa and Izzy Marrufo.

The three-day workshop, June 4-6, featured demonstrations, videos and lectures, in part, on wiring farm buildings, assembly of electric controls and electric safety.

Students from the Texas Panhandle and South Plains, and eastern New Mexico attended. SPS employees and area agricultural-science teachers served as instructors.

SPS is a regional electric utility that primarily provides electric service to a population of about one million people in a 52,000-square-mile area of the South Plains and Panhandle of Texas, eastern and southeastern New Mexico, the Panhandle of Oklahoma and southwestern Kansas. Corporate headquarters are in Amarillo.

## County Sponsors D.A.R.E. Program

Parmer County Sheriff's Office, schools and cities have adopted the Drug Abuse Resistance Educational (D.A.R.E.) program that has grown from a small pilot program in Los Angeles in 1983 to a national level that is taught in all fifty of our states.

D.A.R.E. teaches our youth what being grown up really means—not giving in to peer pressure, making your own decisions and learning to cope with life's problems in positive ways. Students are taught in the school classroom by a specially trained, uniformed police officer. These officers are volunteers that have a good rapport and communicative abilities with young people from kindergarten to high school age.

Parmer County law officers, school officials and concerned citizens have worked for several months to bring D.A.R.E. to our schools.

We stress that this is a Parmer County program involving Bovina, Farwell, Lazbuddie and Friona schools and concerned citizens. School schedules will be worked out after the officer is hired.

Although Parmer County received a grant, the success of the program will depend on the ability of all of you, the concerned citizens and businesses of all four cities to morally and financially support drug prevention education.

The costs of combating adolescent drug/alcohol abuse are high, but the benefit to society is a sound investment. We can pay now for education, or pay more later to rehabilitate, or even for who end up in prison.

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## “Dr. Paul” Retires....

(Continued from Page 1)  
an ad placed by Dr. Cook. They had been at the Friona hospital about a month when Dr. Paul arrived.  
“They had planned to eventually locate in California, and Friona was about ‘half way.’ But it never developed that way,” Dr. Paul said.

Dr. Spring said that the local hospital developed an immunization program for school children many years, prior to the time that the state of Texas began to require students to have certain immunizations.

Dr. Spring said that he had seen a tremendous change in the procedure for treatment of patients. “When I first started, you had to use your mental

faculties more so than today, as we now have computerized machines that help us. The space age revolutionized medicine as far as diagnosis is concerned,” he said.

When Dr. Spring first began his career, he said surgeons were “opening a few chests” to remove parts of lungs, but that heart operations were unheard of. Now, these operations are virtually commonplace.

At one time, pneumonia was a very critical illness, but due to modern techniques, this isn't the killer it once was.

Dr. Spring said that there was hardly any vaccinations when he first began practice, except for smallpox. During his career, he has witnessed new treatments for the prevention of polio, hepatitis, measles, mumps and chicken pox.

“It's mind boggling to think that they can now train bacteria to produce insulin to resemble human insulin,” Dr. Spring said.

Another big change that the longtime medical expert has witnessed that isn't necessarily on the positive side is the further involvement of government with the medical profession, with all of the directives, regulations, etc.

For a number of years, the local hospital prided itself in not having accepted any government funds with the accompanying “strings.” But with the coming of federal programs such as Medicare, this had to change.

Dr. Paul has served as Parmer County Health Officer for the past 40 years, but said during this interview that he had penned the commissioners court his resignation in this capacity.

As to future plans, Dr. Spring, who is an avid gardener, said he expected to make a bigger garden, and travel some. “I enjoy fishing, so I'll probably do some of this. Also, I may have to do some babysitting,” he added. The Springs have a nine-month-old grandson, Travis, the son of Johnny and Christy Spring.

Then in July he plans to work a few days while one of his cohorts takes a vacation.

As to his own health, Dr. Spring says he is bothered somewhat by gout. “Gout and diabetes run in my family.” He also had two back surgeries in recent years, causing him to miss a couple of months' work.

This was one of the few times he missed work in his 42-year career at the local hospital.

Good luck, Dr. Paul. Hope you get a chance to examine a lot of fish!

## Appreciation Reception Set

The Women's Division of the Friona Chamber of Commerce and the Hospital Auxiliary will honor “Dr. Paul” at an appreciation reception on Sunday, July 29.

The reception will be held at Friendship House from 2-4 p.m.

### TEMPERATURES

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# Local Writer Has Article Published

Mike McCallum sent an article into the Texas Fisherman magazine and about one year later, the article was published. Mike was notified after the article came out in the May issue of the magazine and sent a check.

The article was entitled, *Panhandle Bassin'* and it was the first feature story in the magazine.

Mike is in the process of putting together more articles. He said this was the first article he'd submitted and was pleased with the results.

The Bovina Blade will be publishing some of his articles in the paper during the summer months.

### PANHANDLE BASSIN'

Mention the Texas panhandle to any bass fisherman and more than likely you'll get a puzzled look in reply. Something about high winds, dust storms and hail seems to keep less hardy folks out of this part of the state unless they have good reason—farming or ranching. Raised all my life on a farm in the panhandle, I just assumed that house-sized tumbleweeds were a problem every Texan faced and, well, if you weren't riding out 4-foot waves at least half the warm-weather months, you could be sure fishing time would be short.

With the proliferation of fishing video and reading materials, a fisherman can find out how to catch bass in just about every type of water—except maybe your typical Texas panhandle canyon reservoir. While we can't all be blessed with a Lake Fork or Choque Canyon, we do have a few worthy lakes in West Texas.

The panhandle holds some of the most fertile soil in the state and is presently the epitome of high-tech irrigation in farming and ranching. The land ranges from rugged, rolling hills of ranchland to fairly flat farmland; trees are rather scarce. The native foliage consists of small, brushy mesquite and a few hardwoods, most of which were planted for wind breaks. This, along with the typical extreme slope canyons used as reservoir sites, creates the main panhandle bassing problems—lack of cover and deep water. This is definitely the realm of the depth finder. It is not uncommon for these lakes to be at least 80 feet deep at the dam with some, such as Lake MacKenzie, going almost twice that depth. Of course there's some brushy cover on the shoreline, but after being pounded night and day by local fishermen, a somewhat different approach is needed.

Lakes such as Meredith, near Amarillo and MacKenzie near Silverton are prime examples of deep, clear infertile impounds. These lakes offer little in the way of structure. If there isn't much in the way of trees or brush, then one must go to other sources, such as bottom contours, docks and man-made structures.

A simple break or abrupt change in the contour of the lake bottom can hold fish, even if cover isn't present; bass will adapt. A channel, hump, ditch or ravine will be just as appealing to the bass that has never seen thick cover such as a stump field or recently flooded forest, and bass tend to roam more to keep up with the forage fish. Panhandle bassing isn't tough, it just takes experience.

As mentioned earlier, some type of depth finder is practically a necessity; however, if you're adept at interpretation, a flasher will work. Learn your particular reservoir by scouting as much of the bottom as possible and practical. Any type of contour breakline, vegetation or man-made structure can be easily identified and returned to with enough practice. Get familiar with your particular depth unit so that you can quickly identify bottom references. Use marker buoys for reference when fishing subsurface structure. This invaluable information, when combined with other factors such as available forage, sunlight, weather and water temperature, will always help in locating the bass.

If you get up early enough, you can probably hit the shoreline (along with every other morning angler) and get lucky enough to hit one on the head. That's about what it's gonna take to get those shoreliners in your livewell. Why? Clear water, and I mean *clear water*... clear enough the bass see

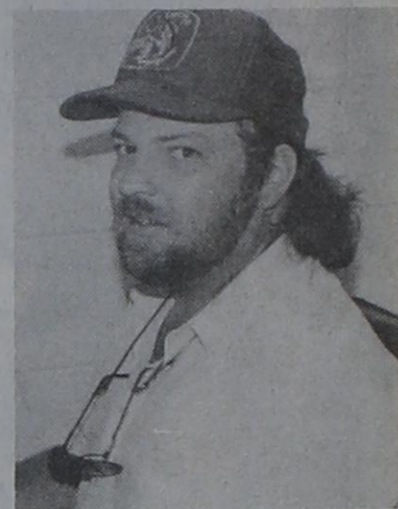
you coming way before you even chunk a lure. Be patient, because the strikes are gonna be few and far between.

Back off, leave the shore to others and hit those bottom contours and structure that you located on your sonar unit. Now of course, we're not talking about 10 to 15 feet of water, but more like 20 to 35 feet. Panhandle lakes, by their very nature, are infertile at the bottom, but this doesn't mean that fish can't be found down deep. If you're fishing the time of year when the thermocline is identifiable on your sonar, you certainly don't want to fish below it. But other than that, you'll find bass suspended in water to 35 feet as long as other factors such as contour, cover and forage are available. The type of lure you choose will determine your day's outcome.

Heavier lures like slab-spoons and lead-head jigs combined with soft-plastic bodies are the best bet in boating bass at such depths. Shoreline bass often go deep to escape the madness of the various topwater, crankbait and spinner-bait bombardments. A lure as heavy as the situation permits will enable you to get the bait down to the fish quickly.

Vertical jigging is one way to beat the wind and conditions; here are a couple of the most prevalent and widely accepted methods. First, the hard-snap presentation: the lure is allowed to free-fall to the bottom, with the line semi-tight for control; bass are more likely to take the lure on the fall. After the lure strikes bottom, abruptly jerk the rod tip up about 6 to 12 inches and allow the bait to free-fall once again to the bottom. This pounding action stirs up mud and debris from the bottom. Repetition of this method can trigger numerous strikes and the abrupt jerk can help set the hook. Be sure to work your lure in, around and through any cover that you bump into along the bottom. This works great with jigging spoons and can be utilized on the larger lead-head jigs.

Lead-head jigs are available with a wide variety of soft-plastic bodies and are less susceptible to trout strikes. Most anglers try to imitate the available forage in color and shape; however, anything that adds flash and vibrations should work if you are unable to match the forage. These jigs can be cast out (if water depth is adequate) and be allowed to free-fall, again on a semi-tight line to the bottom or structure. If casting out takes the lure too long to get down to the fish, just go with the vertical drop and add action by moving your rod tip back and forth a few inches as it descends and even shake the lure as it suspends above the structure or bottom. If you snag on cover, you might try a count-down approach;



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this will stop you just short of the snag. In order to catch bass, you have to drop your lure where they live, so expect to lose a few lures and fish in the process.

The banana-headed, rubber-skirted jig with a pork trailer that has become so successful in the southern reservoirs, will work in these situations, also, but much more patience is required. A weedless rubber worm can also be effective when worked extremely slow, and don't forget the Carolina-rigged worm. Peg the weight a short distance in front of the plastic worm. This will allow the worm to float off the bottom, while the weight drags on the bottom. This can sometimes trigger a neutral fish into striking.

Panhandle bass fishing in deep, clear water can be very challenging even when you're not fighting a strong wind for position. Bass fishermen, like the bass themselves, are a hardy lot. Most panhandle anglers will tell you that it's worth all the rough water, the deep fishing and the wind.

## Judy Hodnett Is Named To ENMU Roll

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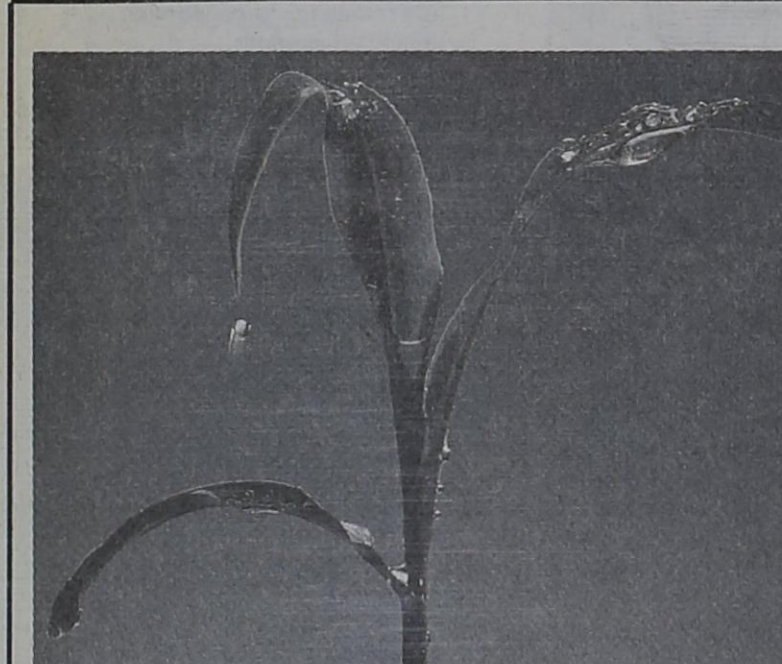
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