

**Bull
Town
Bulletins**
By
Bill Ellis



ALL OF THE HOOP-LA leading up to Texas Tech's participation in this year's Cotton Bowl game for the first time since 1939 set Ye Editor to reminiscing recently about the time he spent on the Tech campus, and we even learned some things about folks we had known for a number of years.

During his career at Tech, Ye Editor had a lot of chances to learn a lot about the history of the college, which is now a sprawling university, especially in the realm of athletics.

My first job while a freshman and sophomore at Tech was as assistant to the Sports Publicity Director. We did a lot of research for our friend and employer, the late Bill Holmes, and helped him get out his press guides, weekly press releases, and during the football season, even the football programs.

One of our menial tasks on Saturdays was to go by old West Hall (which was the football dormitory), to pick up sandwiches and snacks for the Tech press box. Ye editor had to carry all of this, along with drinks, game programs, etc., up to the press box and distribute them for the writers and broadcasters who would cover the game.

The best part was that we had a regular spot in the press box, and were able to watch first-hand some of the guys whose by-lines we knew, and whose broadcasts we listened to on a regular basis. That more or less solidified my interest in being a sportswriter.

During our time at Tech, the University was admitted to the Southwest Conference, which had been a goal of the Raiders and their followers for years. The Municipal Coliseum was built, giving Tech the best (at the time) basketball arena in the state.

Ye editor served as sports editor, and later editor, of Tech's college newspaper, The Toreador, and as a senior was editor of the yearbook, La Ventana.

During our year as yearbook editor, our faculty sponsors told us one day that they had a bunch of old yearbooks in the Journalism Building's basement that were about to be disposed of, and we could help ourselves to as many as we wanted.

Always being a pack-rat, Ye Editor picked out one of each year represented, which went all the way back to Tech's first year--1925.

This past week, we dug out our copy of the 1939 Tech yearbook to see the coverage they gave the Raider footballers. The team had the first undefeated season in the school's history at 10-0.

They beat Montana, Montana State, Wyoming, Duquesne, Oklahoma City University, Texas Mines (now UTEP), Loyola of the South, Washington State, New Mexico University and Marquette.

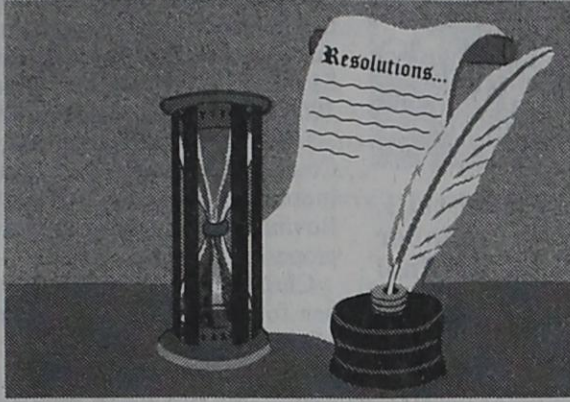
The team made trips to Montana, Pittsburgh (Duquesne), New Orleans and Albuquerque. And this was before the days of jet planes. Most of the out-of-town trips were by train.

We were surprised to learn that George Philbrick, who was Tech's tennis coach while we were there, was a member of the great '39 team.

The old yearbook also revealed that at that time there was a Parmer County Club, which had its own page in the college yearbook. Members pictured were Walther Thompson, Carthon Phillips, Bill Roberts, Bertram Jack, Gordon Hackleford, Lorene West, Noel Tenger, Roberta Rushing, Eric Lushing, Kenneth Grissom, Vernon Loveless, Lee Spring, Harold Lillard, Ira Bengner, Robert Wilson, Lora Jean Smith, Lois Sheehan, Geraldine McFarland, Audrey Henson and Fay Thompson.

We enjoyed our stroll down memory lane provided by the old Tech yearbook. Brought back a lot of fond memories of our own college days in Raiderland some 20 years later.

THANKS, HARRY JOHNSON of Sherley Grain, for finding the vintage 1950s photos that graced Sherley's ad in the Christmas issue of the Blade. They were great!



HAPPY NEW YEAR!



FIRST DAY OF THE YEAR PRAYER

Today begins another year,
New Year's day is finally here;
Gee, it's great to know you, Lord,
And feast each day upon your Word!

And when this year shall terminate,
Time then to evaluate,
Give me grace to truly say
'I made you Lord of ev'ry day!'

From 'Christmas is Forever!' by Richard L. Grisham



CHRISTMAS CARD FUND---Alma Clayton, representative for the Bovina Woman's Study Club, is shown here presenting checks for funds divided between Bovina Ambulance represented by Donna Mitchell and Bovina Fire Department represented by Gene Hutto. This year's fund netted a total of \$1,409.00.

Bovina Blade 1994 Highlights

January

The Christmas Card Fund, sponsored by the Bovina Woman's Study Club, was termed a big success and contributions amounted to \$1,274.00.

At the 38th annual Bovina Junior Livestock Show, Will Bell's heifer was named Grand Champion Heifer; Darla Stormes's lamb was chosen as the Grand Champion Lamb; Tyson Kerby's Yorkshire barrow was named Grand Champion Barrow; and Trent Widner exhibited the Grand Champion rabbit.

Jason Kerby of Bovina exhibited the Yorkshire barrow that was named Reserve Grand Champion Barrow of the 1994 Parmer County Junior Livestock Show held last weekend in Friona.

Three Bovina men died early Friday when the automobile in which they were riding hit a patch of ice and skidded in front of an oncoming 18-wheeler. Mike Bermea, Lorenzo Rocha, and Raymon Rocha were pronounced dead at the scene by Parmer County Justice of the Peace Louise Hancock.

February

Funeral services for George Harold Trimble, 66, were conducted February 3 at First Baptist Church. Trimble passed away February 1, 1994.

Bovina Irrigation Motor Repair has opened its doors for business on East Highway 86, the new owners being Jimmy King and Eddie Lide.

Kim Kirkpatrick and Matt Hromas were named Homecoming Queen and King at Bovina's Basketball Homecoming.

Quinten, two-year-old son of Melissa "Missy" Chisom was fatally injured in a three vehicle accident on Thursday of last week. Missy is a former resident of Bovina and moved to Greenville a short time ago. She is the daughter of Tiny and Pearly Chisom.

March

On February 4, the Allsup's Store in Bovina was robbed. The next day, three individuals contacted the authorities regarding the identity of the robber, the car description and the direction in which the individual headed. The Bovina Police Department and the Parmer County Sheriff's Office arrested the subject and he was incarcerated.

A longtime resident of the Oklahoma Lane Community, Sam Sides, 95, was honored by the Grand Lodge of Texas and Farwell Lodge #977 in Bovina on Tuesday evening with a 50-year service certificate and pin.

Three Bovina students were named on the all-district basketball list for the 1993-94 season, Sally Noriega, Matt Hromas, and Charlotte Quintana.

In the "Jump Rope For Heart" event sponsored by the American Heart Association, Courtney Jamerson collected the most donations, totalling \$125.

April

Donna Mitchell and Dennis Willard were chosen by the Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture to be the 1994 Woman and Man of the Year; Carolyn Beauchamp was chosen Educator of the Year; Darla Stormes and Matt Hromas were awarded the Youth Award.

Almost three sections of CRP grassland were burned last week and firefighters from six fire departments were on hand to battle the blazes for five hours.

Joe Looney was presented the Heritage Award at the recent Chamber of Commerce Banquet.

May

Benji Mitard won second in the 300 meter hurdles at the regional track meet, which qualifies him for state, and Brooke Charles received second in both the 1600 meter run and the 3200 meter run, which qualifies her for state.

The entomology team consisting of Tobyn Dyer, Darla Stormes, and Matt Hromas placed first in district, second in area, and fourth in state at agricultural contests recently.

In the May 7 elections, Kenneth Waters and Joe Olvera were elected to the city council; Gene Hutto was elected mayor; Rick Jamerson and Joe Steelman were elected to the school board; Dr. Dale Schueler, Anne Corn and Dennis Anthony were elected to the hospital board.

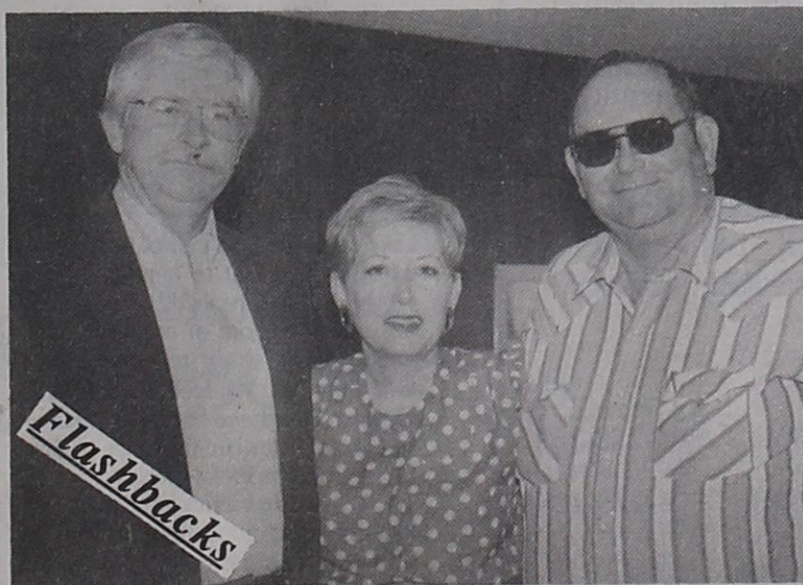
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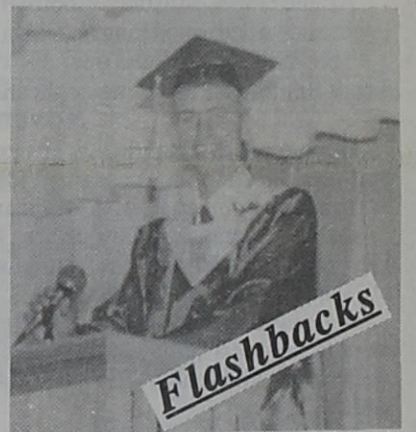
1994 "WOMAN AND MAN OF THE YEAR"...Donna Mitchell and Dennis Willard were chosen by the Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture to be the 1994 Woman and Man of the Year.



CHAMBER AWARDS---Carolyn Beauchamp, left, was selected as Educator of the Year for '94 at the Chamber of Commerce Banquet. Darla Stormes, right, and Matt Hromas (not pictured) were chosen as the Bovina Youth of the Year for '94.



CLINIC OPENING---Linda Conlee, P.A., who heads Bovina's newly opened Medical Clinic, is shown with her husband Jim, and Mayor Gene Hutto at the Clinic's Open House.



MATT HROMAS
1994 Valedictorian



ANGELA BEAUCHAMP
1994 Salutatorian



"MISS BOVINA"
BROOKE CHARLES



ANGELICA GALLEGAR
Bovina Little Miss '94

Highlights From 1994....

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For the Bovina High School graduating class of 1994, Matt Hromas was valedictorian; Angela Beauchamp, salutatorian; and Celia Marin, historian.

The Bovina Junior High School valedictorian was Luke Steelman; Tony Beauchamp, salutatorian; and Maricela Guevara, historian.

June

Cheerleading try-outs for Bovina High School cheerleaders were held and five girls were chosen to be cheerleaders for the 1994-95 school year. They were: Lori Beauchamp, Brooke Charles, Kasey Bell, Sally Noriega, and Rebecca Gomez.

A voting rights lawsuit that was filed against the City of Bovina by the League of United Latin American Citizens has been dismissed by a federal court order which became final June 1.

Once again, Parmer County became the host of a Santa Fe Railway mishap when a train derailed approximately five miles northeast of Bovina around 5:15 a.m. on Friday, June 17.

July

A former resident, Jerry Burnett, came cycling into Bovina in recent days from Fredericksburg, Texas.

A Community Worship Service at City Park on Sunday morning, July 3, was well attended. The service had a patriotic flavor, with Chaplain Gino Bartimus from Cannon Air Force Base in Clovis as guest speaker.

Eight girls have registered to enter the Miss Bovina contest. They are Rachel Turner, Tammy Stormes, Lori Beauchamp, Brooke Charles, Kasey Bell, Elaine Bishop, Sally Noriega, and Amy Venable.

The class of 1974 celebrated their 20-year class reunion with approximately 20 people attending.

August

Farmers across the area have received a big boost from a week of rains in the Bovina area, to the extent that many have been able to turn off their irrigation engines, which had been running non-stop in some cases.

Joe Olvera is the new manager of the Pay 'n' Save Supermarket in Bovina, replacing Shannon Steelman.

This is the 30th anniversary of the first Bull Town Days, which occurred in August of 1964! Of course, there hasn't been a Bull Town Days every year. It has been eleven years since the last one (1983).

The winners for the Bovina Little Miss Contest were Stacy Roach, Yvonne Espinoza and Christy Widner.

Sue Nuttall has been named Bovina ISD superintendent and Jerry Birdsong is the new high school principal.

Brooke Charles won the title of "Miss Bovina, 1994."

Sherrill Lumber Co., the oldest continuing local business in Bovina, will close for business after August 31.

September

Bovina Police officers, along with Parmer County deputies and the Texas Highway Patrol arrived at the scene of a shooting at 906 Second Street in Bovina, to find Margarita Andrade Quintana and Ruben Quintana-Saenz lying in the front yard of the residence.

The Mother's Day Out Program of the First Baptist Church began on September 7 with 15 young and busy children.

Wayne Taylor is the new manager of Bovina's Allsup's Convenience Store.

October

Bovina Rural Health Clinic will host an open house on Sunday, October 2. The clinic will be open on a regular basis beginning October 3.

At the 1994 Mustang Football Homecoming Festivities, Andy Espinoza was crowned king and Gina Villarreal was crowned queen.

The "Kid Korral," the new day care center in Bovina, operated by Tracy Smith, is now taking applications for enrollment.

November

Bovina and Parmer County voters turned out in record numbers for a mid-term election on Tuesday, to join those across the state and nation in their anti-Democratic and anti-incumbent mood.

Gabe Anderson of Bovina was recently honored by Texas A&M University-Lettermen's Association when he was inducted into the Hall of Honor for Distinguished Service.

A Bovina man and a Clovis woman were killed and three passengers were injured last Friday night in a pickup rollover. Julia Gutierrez and Andres Ortiz both died after the accident on New Mexico 77, authorities said.

Veda McKay is the winner of this year's "first killing freeze contest" sponsored by the Bovina Blade. She was awarded \$10. She came closest to the actual killing freeze date, which was November 9. She picked November 10.

December

Donnie McDonald of Lazbuddie is the Grand Prize Winner of the Blade's Football Contest for the second year in a row!



BUSINESS CLOSES....Jay and Patsy Sherrill, longtime owners and operators of Sherrill Lumber Company, are shown at the lumber yard on its final week of sales.

Bovina High School senior Jimmy Bonham was named to the 1994 All-District 2-1A team. Senior Andy Espinoza achieved recognition on the District 2-1A Academic All-District squad.

Kasey Bell and RoseAnn Cantu were named All Tournament Winners at the Bovina JV Tournament.

Trey Widner was this year's winner in the annual Bike-A-Thon, raising the most money for St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

In the Christmas Lighting Contest, sponsored by the Bovina Chamber of Commerce, the home of Charles and Peggy Hargrove won first place; The Richard Bonham home, second place; and Mr. and Mrs. Owen Patton's home won third place.

Earl Stevenson's Rites Are Held Here Thursday

Funeral services for Earl D. Stevenson, 82, were conducted Thursday afternoon, January 5 at the First United Methodist Church, with Rev. Steve Venable officiating.

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

Stevenson died January 3 at the Farwell Convalescent Center.

He was born April 3, 1912 in Elida, N.M. He married Lee McGill December 3, 1931 in Elida.

Stevenson was a retired farmer

and rancher and was a member of First United Methodist Church of Bovina.

Survivors include his wife Lee of Bovina; two sons, Oakley Stevenson of Bovina and Gary Stevenson of Austin; one daughter, Lexie Mitcham of Sachse; one sister, Catherine Corbett of Portales, N.M.

Seven grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren also survive.

Pallbearers were Stephen Stevenson, Wesley Harden, Eddie Larson, Ricky Cooper, Darrell Fouts and Michael Cooper.

The family suggests memorial contributions be made to Farwell Convalescent Center or to Bovina's First United Methodist Church.

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Reflections

...from the files of The Bovina Blade

35 Yrs. Ago--Jan. 6, 1960
Bank deposits in Bovina at the end of 1959 show a substantial increase over a year ago. Warren Embree, president of First National Bank, attributes the increase to general growth in the community and a bumper milo crop. At the end of 1959, deposits were \$1,853,735.02. At the close of 1958, they totaled \$1,120,552.87.

Interest in stocking Parmer County with pheasants continues to increase, reports Al Kerby of Bovina, who is helping to push the proposed program.

Christie Kay Trimble celebrated her fourth birthday with a party Monday Morning.

The second snowstorm in four weeks had Bovina in its icy grip Tuesday. December's blast measured some four inches and was a big help to wheat farmers. January's version falls into much the same pattern.

30 Yrs. Ago--Jan. 6, 1965
Bovina High School Fillies came into their own for the current basketball season last week at the Farwell Invitational Tournament. They "scared the daylight" out of the defending state champion Friona Squaws in the opening game before dropping a heart-breaking 47-53 decision. They then went on to win the consolation trophy with ease as they downed Farwell, 46-24 and Hart, 57-38.

Eight teams have been entered in a B-team basketball tournament scheduled for Williford Gymnasium Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week. Schools entered in each division are Springlake, Farwell, Muleshoe, Friona, Lazbuddie, Kress, Hart and Bovina.

Carol Kirkpatrick, BHS freshman and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Kirkpatrick, has been named sweetheart of Bovina FFA chapter for the current school year. Carolyn Graham, a senior and daughter of Mrs. and Mrs. Mutt Graham, is plowgirl.

25 Yrs. Ago--Jan. 7, 1970
If snow was the topic of conversation last week, it took no more limelight than the temperatures since that time. "Near zero" has been the report every morning for over a week in the Bovina area. Coupled with sunshine, snow fell on and off all day Monday. The weight of the snow became a proven fact. Arriving at Elcor Corporation west of Bovina Monday morning, several men guessed at the weight of the waist-high drift on the scales there. All guessed less than 1,000 pounds. When the drift was weighed the scales pointed to the vicinity of 3,600 pounds. A drift on the scales at Bovina Wheat Growers weighed a total of 4,000 pounds.

Mickey Patterson has submitted his resignation as minister of the Church of Christ in Bovina,

effective February 1. He will become minister of the Fourth Street Church of Christ in Portales.

Karen Bell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Durward Bell and a senior at Bovina High School, was named Mustang Band Sweetheart for the current school year.

20 Yrs. Ago--Jan. 8, 1975
Lloyd Gober took first place in Bovina's annual pheasant tailfeather contest and it measured 25 3/4 inches long.

Forty-six men attended the Bovina men's fellowship prayer breakfast held at St. Ann's Catholic Church.

Mrs. Wilbur Charles was feted on her 80th birthday with a come-and-go coffee at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Vernon Estes.

Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Quintana of Bovina are parents of a baby girl, Cynthia Michelle, Bovina's first new arrival for 1975.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Murphy and son David went to North Carolina and spent the holidays with their daughter, Darlene, and toured many side attractions.

15 Yrs. Ago--Jan. 9, 1980
The Christmas Card Fund drive amounted to \$1,705.00 and will go to purchase new equipment for the Bovina Ambulance.

Julia Ann Moody has been named news editor of the Bovina Blade.

Fire caused considerable damage to the Browsabout building on Third Street and heat and smoke took its toll in damage.

Dewayne Haney, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Haney of Bovina, has been appointed temporary Chief of Police in Dimmitt.

10 Yrs. Ago--Jan. 9, 1985
A representative of the Bovina Woman's Study Club presented \$522 to the Bovina Ambulance Fund and \$522 for the Grace Paul Scholarship Fund.

Pete Hernandez, 31, was hired December 28 as patrolman for the City of Bovina.

The Bovina Fillies have retained their unbeaten record, and won the championship of their own invitational tournament last weekend, now holding a 17-0 season record.

Billie and Obereta Sudderth were honored on their fiftieth wedding anniversary with a dinner party on December 22.

Those from Bovina on the West Texas State University's honor roll for the fall were Daria Morris, Denise Read, Kathy Rundell, Wendy Sherrill and Mark Teague.

5 Yrs. Ago--Jan. 10, 1990
Billy and Paula Whitecotton have sold the Bovina Supermarket to Pay and Save Grocery Stores. Monday was the Whitecottons' last day, and we appreciate all they have done to provide Bovina with a very nice store!

ingrained that God cannot empower us to overcome it? Are there chains of bondage so strong that He cannot give us strength to break them? Is there a mountain so tall before me that the Lord cannot help me climb over it? Are there needs in my life so great that my Heavenly Father cannot supply them?

God had a wonderful answer for the question He asked Jeremiah. It is also a marvelous answer for you and me! "Call to me, and I will answer you and show you great and mighty things which you do not know."

Jeremiah 33:3 is God's home phone number. It's toll free. Use it often in 1995. There is nothing too hard for God!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY BOVINA!!!

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(Editor's note: If someone in your family is observing a birthday, please call 238-1523, in advance, to get the name on our birthday calendar.)

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The Farm Service Agency (FSA) came to be last President Clinton signed restructuring plan for Department of Agriculture. The FSA will commodity price support programs, farm and operating loans and crop insurance programs. The new agency is part of three agencies farmers and ranchers. Natural Stabilization and Service, the Farm Administration, and Crop Insurance Corporation. Loans offered by the FSA will be assigned to development agency. In addition, the FSA conservation cost-share under the Agricultural Program (ACP), as sharing and land rental. The Conservation Reserve (CRP). USDA reorganize eliminate any program.

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ASCS Gives Deadlines For Program Benefits

The Farm Service Agency or FSA came to be last month when President Clinton signed into law a restructuring plan for the U. S. Department of Agriculture (USDA).

The FSA will administer commodity price and income support programs, farm ownership and operating loans and the Federal crop insurance program.

The new agency combines all or part of three agencies familiar to farmers and ranchers--the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, the Farmers Home Administration, and the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation. Other loans offered by the former FmHA will be assigned to a new rural development agency.

In addition, the FSA will offer conservation cost-share assistance under the Agricultural Conservation Program (ACP), as well as cost-sharing and land rental payments for the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP).

USDA reorganization did not eliminate any programs. What will

change is that these services soon will be available to producers on a one-stop basis. The whole purpose of the new FSA is to be able to provide better, more efficient service and to make it easier for farmers to use government programs.

The agencies are merging at headquarters first. The combination of staffs and functions at the county level will come in time. For now, farmers can receive service as usual at their county office.

Disaster Program
Farmers suffering crop losses in 1994 due to adverse weather conditions may apply for emergency assistance at the local Farm Service Agency (FSA) from now through March 31, 1995.

Interested producers may want to get required insurance appraisal worksheets and production records together prior to signing up.

The 1994 program is similar to those of recent years. Farmers with crop insurance who suffered crop losses greater than 35 per cent of normal production (or 40 per cent

losses for those without crop insurance) will be eligible for a partial reimbursement.

Committee Elections
This year's election for positions on the Farmer County ASCS Committee, which was to be held in December, is being rescheduled to accommodate changes brought on with last month's enactment of the law to reorganize the U. S. Department of Agriculture (USDA).

The change in the election schedule is nationwide and is authorized under regulations issued by USDA. Current members of ASC committees will continue in their posts until the new election is held next fall.

The new committee system, when fully implemented under the new reorganized USDA, will exercise increased responsibilities in its enlarged role. Rescheduling the elections on a nationwide basis avoids confusion which could occur from hastily drawn rules and regulations, and will create efficiencies by using funds which would have been spent on this year's election process to be used in training committees in performing their added duties.

1995 Farm Program
Preliminary provisions of the 1995 farm program are as follows: wheat, 0%, 0/85; oats, 0%, 0/85; barley, 0%, 0/85; corn 7.5%, 0/85; sorghum, 0%, 0/85; cotton, 7.5%, 50/85. The final planting date for wheat, oats and barley for Farmer County was November 15.

Farmer County was declared eligible for Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) disaster emergency loans on October 24, 1994. Generally, that means that farmers who have lost at least 30 per cent of their production due to the drought and severe weather conditions are eligible for FmHA loans. Proceeds from crop insurance and the PIK program are taken into consideration when determining eligibility.

Farmers who are interested in receiving an emergency loan need to get their applications into FmHA as soon as possible and not wait until near the deadline which is June 26, 1995. The longer they wait, the more chance there is for

long delays in getting their checks. If the applications come in early, we can avoid backlogs and speed up the process.

The FmHA office is located at 109 Third in Farwell, telephone number is (806) 481-3349.

Failed Crops
Operators are reminded that any crop certified for harvest that fails and will not be harvested must be reported before plowing, grazing or destroying the evidence of the crop. This is the same rule that has applied for several years. Crop losses must be due to natural causes such as drought, hail, excessive heat, etc.

Farmer Owned Reserve Program
Producers may now place 1994-crop corn, sorghum, barley and oats into the Farmer-Owned Reserve (FOR). Producers can earn quarterly storage payments of 26.5 cents per bushel for corn, sorghum, and barley and 20 cents per bushel for oats.

Producers must file intentions to place grain in the reserve by April 30 at the local office of the FSA, formerly the ASCS office. Although filing an intention does not obligate a producer to place grain in the reserve, a 9-month Commodity Credit Corporation price support loan agreement must be executed before the intention is filed. Producers may not obtain the FOR loan until the expiration of a 9-month nonrecourse price-support loan. For further information contact the local FSA office.

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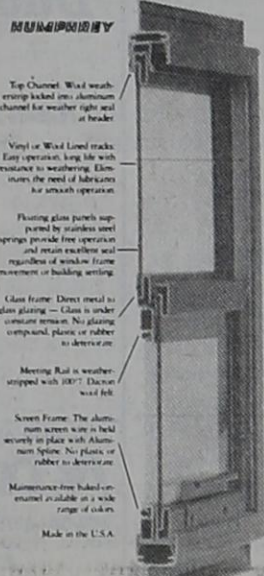
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Facts About The **BIBLE** BY JOHN LEHTI

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By CAROL McINTOSH



I hope everyone had a very nice Christmas and New Year's Holiday, and that everything went well for you and yours.

We want to thank everyone who came to the Resident/Family Christmas Party, and hope it was as much fun for all who could make it as it was for the residents.

We want to thank several people for helping to make this possible. They are: Vergil Ichtetz, Barbara Grimsley and Carlos Vega for the musical entertainment, to our special Santa Claus, the activity department, who worked very hard, and to all the employees and friends who came to help.

Other folks to thank are: Becky Riethmayer for the strawberry bread she brought for the staff, Friona Police Department for the apples and oranges, Martha Rutherford for the Christmas cards, and Payne and Marietta Jones for the Reader's Digest. I would really like to hope that I didn't leave anyone out, but I'm sure there were many donations made that I am not aware of so I want to thank anyone that I may have missed.

I know that there were too many groups of all ages to name who came up to sing Christmas carols to the residents, so I will give all of them a great big thank you at the same time.

Prairie Acres would like to welcome the following: Jewel Baxter, from Clovis; Ruby Barnett and Marie Roden, both from Friona. Please come visit them when in the neighborhood.

We would like to express our deepest sympathies to the following families: Bruce Emerson, J.T. Gee, Frances Garcia, Beulah Miller, and Buddy Lloyd. They will be missed very much.

The following donations have been made to the Love Fund:

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One of your resolutions should be to speak softly and sweetly. If your words are soft and sweet, they won't be as hard to swallow when you have to eat them.

Adult CPR Training Scheduled In Muleshoe

On Saturday, February 4, a course in adult CardioPulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) will be offered to any interested person in the Muleshoe and surrounding areas.

The training will consist of one-man CPR and obstructed airway management.

The agenda for the day: Registration from 7-8 a.m. with refreshments provided by the Bailey county unit of the American Heart Association; Welcome and introduction of instructors from 8-8:30 a.m.; A film presentation explaining the risk factors and warning signs and a demonstration showing the practical application of how to perform on the resuci Anne manikins; Lunch break will be at 11:30 a.m., the meal being provided at the civic center and

Cotton Conference To Be Held In Olton

The 1995 Llano Estacado Cotton Conference is set for Wednesday, January 18 at 8 a.m. at the Olton Ag Pavilion, located at the corner of Highway 70 and Avenue D southeast of the J-H Restaurant.

This year's program will boast presentations by nationally known speakers and local experts in the areas of cotton marketing, crop management and environmental concerns to name a few.

The following speakers and topics will be presented at this year's conference: "History of Cotton Production," Adam Ballinger, editor of Fiber Magazine in Memphis, Tennessee; "1994 Federal Crop Insurance Reform," Dr. Jackie Smith, Extension ag economist, Lubbock; "Environmental Regulation Update," Mark Lang, National Cotton Council, Memphis, Tennessee; "1995 Farm Bill Update," Dr. Ed Smith, Extension ag economist, College Station, Texas; "Activities of Cotton, Incorporated," Nicholas Hahn, CEO of Cotton, Inc., New York, N.Y.

Also, "Managing Cotton Seedling Disease," Dr. Harold

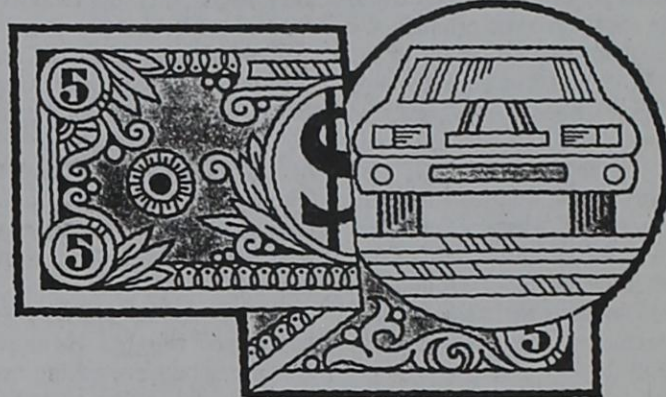
Kaufman, Extension plant pathologist, Lubbock; "Worker Protection Standards Update," James Esty, Texas Department of Agriculture inspector, Littlefield; "Value-Added Cotton Marketing," Bedford Forrest, Texas Department of Agriculture, Amarillo; "1994 Cotton Crop Review," Dr. Kater Hake, Extension agronomist, Lubbock; "Rainfall Management in Cotton," Dr. Dan Krieg, Texas Tech University agronomist, Lubbock; "1995 Cotton Pest Outlook," Dr. Jim Leser, Extension entomologist, Lubbock; and "Boll Weevil Update," Roger Haldenby, Texas Department of Agriculture, Lubbock.

By attending this program, private, commercial and non-commercial pesticide applicators will receive six hours worth of CEU's, including 2.5 in laws and regulations and 1.0 in IMP.

Please RSVP to your local County Extension Agent or the Lamb County Extension office at (806) 385-4004. A \$10.00 registration fee will be collected which will include the conference admission, door prizes, exhibit hall admission, a conference cap (to the first 200 to register), and lunch.

Please mark Wednesday, January 18 off on your calendar and plan to attend the 1995 Llano Estacado Cotton Conference scheduled in Olton, beginning at 8 a.m.

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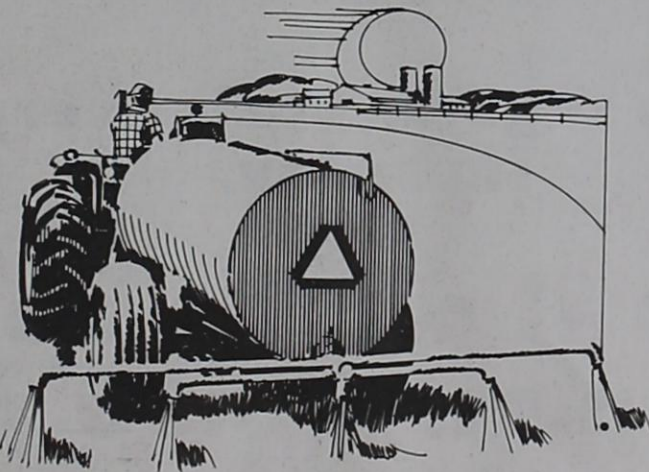
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Scooter's Scoops

By Scooter Russell

Christmas has come and gone and is always rather a sad time for many but a good time to start something new-- perhaps a course of study or make and keep new resolutions for the new year.

We had a couple of Santa letters come into the Blade after the Christmas paper was out and it was too late for them to be printed. We did get them mailed on up to the North Pole and I'm sure by now they have been answered, so youngins, don't fret, because Santa did get your letters.

Jimmy and I went to Idaho for Christmas and when we arrived, there was a foot and a half to two feet of snow on level ground. It had been snowing there since before Halloween so everything was beautiful.

They don't have wind at all in Sun Valley and it was odd to see snow packed so deep on everything. The fence posts would have almost a foot of snow stacked on them.

Sun Valley is a great ski area and people come from all over the world to ski the mountains. The newspaper the week we were there stated that during the first week of the ski season over seventy-seven thousand registered. This was only topped one year back when over 79,000 registered.

One evening we went to the big Dollar Mountain and watched as 180 skiers zig-zagged down the mountain carrying red lights. A bugler played the Star-Spangled Banner and beautiful fireworks followed as the entertainers reached the bottom of the mountain.

One day we went on a sleigh ride over the pretty hills, drawn by horses. We had a great time in Idaho with daughter Janee and family and also in Colorado with daughter Tracy.

Richard Grisham of the First Baptist Church wrote a report on Larry Hammonds and we wanted to

share it with everyone: He said, "I visited with Joyce and Larry Hammonds a week ago Thursday, December 22 in Amarillo. Joyce said they are doing well, and Larry is living with her now in their apartment. I took her a basket of fruit from our church family, and they were very appreciative and seemed really glad to see me.

Larry has seen a Dr. Currie, an ophthalmologist, in Amarillo, twice, Joyce said, but he did not give Larry much hope for his eyesight to ever get any better. There was apparently too much damage done to the optical nerves during the surgery to remove the tumor.

However, Larry looks good and has gained weight. He talks well and remembers everything from the past. He did say he missed out on Christmas completely in 1993, but had come a long way towards recovery in the past 13 months.

The hole in his throat from the trachea tube has almost completely healed, and he can see a few feet in front of him, well enough to get around the apartment, take out the trash, and get a little exercise. But he cannot drive anymore at all.

Joyce said that she and Larry plan to stay in Amarillo for the time being, and she is trying to get him into some kind of a work therapy program through the state.

I would ask all of you to continue to pray for Larry, that he might be able to get into such a therapy, and by the grace of God that Larry's eyesight might still be restored to him.

In the meantime, Joyce and Larry would love to hear from everyone in Bovina. With that in mind, here is their address. Please send them a New Year's card or letter and wish them a blessed 1995 and assuring them of your prayers. Their address is Joyce and Larry Hammonds, West Oak Apts., #104, 6240 Woodward, Amarillo, Texas

79106." *****

Juanda Murphy has been released from the Clovis hospital after spending 24 days there. She came home on December 29. She said she is feeling real well but still has a tube in her side.

Juanda had gall bladder surgery and her condition was very serious for a time. She spent over a week in the intensive care unit. Things are looking good now and we're happy she's home.

Friends said Dorothy Sorley's dad, Ernest Jones, is now in the rest home at Olton and her mom is staying at their home outside of Olton. Ernest was hospitalized for a long time and then Grady and Dorothy Sorley spent several weeks with them at the hospital in Lubbock.

Our sympathies to the family of Buddy Lloyd. His sister-in-law, Sid Lloyd said Buddy had been sick a long time. He passed away December 19 and his brother Buck who lived in Bovina many years passed away last year at this time.

Buddy was survived by one daughter, Oleta Kalka of Panhandle, one sister, Ruth Smith of Lubbock and several grandchildren. Buddy's wife died several years ago and he was a resident of Prairie Acres. He was manager of the Friona Consumers for thirty-four years.

Glenden and Janie Sudderth went to Austin and spent Christmas with son Del Ray and family. While there they attended their son "Woot's" graduation from A & M on December 17. He now has his degree in electrical engineering. We'll have more information when we receive information from the university. Congratulations, Woot!

Sid Lloyd had a special Christmas this year with all of her children visiting in Bovina. Her daughter, Julia Ann, came from Belen, New Mexico; daughter Patsy from Adrian; and son Don from Washington, D.C. area.

Julia Ann lived here for many years and Sid said she drove from Belen and then drove onto Ft. Worth and visited with son Robbie then on to Austin and visited with daughter Elyese. Both grew up in Bovina.

Leon and Shirley Ware had a house full of company during the holidays. Their children with them were Carol and Garry Guthrie and children, Caitlin, Sarah, and Tanner from Round Rock, Texas; Connie and Juan Martinez and son Samuel of Norfolk, Virginia; Mike and Belinda Ware and sons Matthew and Luke of Bovina.

Also with the family were Leon's and Shirley's parents, Jerry Ware, and Asa and Lois Smith, all of Bovina.

Shirley said they had Christmas dinner with their parents, Jerry, Asa and Lois and their children were here for New Year's. Also with the family was Shirley's sister-in-law, Jackie Smith.

Julia Leake had Christmas Eve dinner with her nephew and his family, Joe Wesley and Lois Jean Hromas of Levelland and their children, Sheldon and Lanetta Green and their children, Marissa, Chris, and Stephen; Sherry Hromas of Amarillo; Marcie Lynn Hromas of Ft. Worth; and Kevin and Lorri Hromas of Houston.

On Christmas Day Julia had dinner with her granddaughter and family, Kathy and Kim Rundell and children, Charlie and Kami. Also with the family were the Rundell's parents, Nadine Payne of Lubbock, and Tommy and Kay Williams of Bovina.

Asa Smith said he and his wife, Lois, had two Christmases with their family. They had Christmas dinner with their daughter Shirley Ware and her family and went to Socorro, New Mexico, and had another Christmas with their son and his family, Larry and Jackie Smith and sons, Vince and Joel.

Rouel and Thelma Barron went to Tucson, Arizona and spent Christmas with son, Donald Ray, his wife Wannette, and their daughters, Shari, Beth, Marissa and their husbands.

The Barrons' son Jerry was not with them because he had to work

but his children were there and they are Stacey, Shelly, and Matthew. The Barrons had a good time with their six grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

Tiny and Pearly Chisom are in Bovina during the holidays and we visited for a short time. Tiny said they are all getting along fine. They now live in Greenville but plan to move back to Bovina in May.

D. W. and Alma Peirson had a good time with their children over Christmas. Their daughter Sharon and family came from Paris, Texas; Jo and family from DeKalb, Steve and family from Farwell, and Jerry and family from Clovis. They also enjoyed their six grandchildren.

Tiny and Maggie Moore went to Childress for Christmas Day and visited with Tiny's parents, Pete and Betty Moore.

Joyce McGehee of Lazbuddie will be teaching CPR training for one day which will be on Saturday, February 4. Details will be listed in another section of the Blade, but it is a good deal!

You will receive the training, a manual, mouthpiece, and dinner for twenty bucks. This is a must for all of us, so mark the date on your calendar. Joyce is the former Joyce Pinner and lived in Bovina several years ago when she was a child.

THINK ABOUT IT: Parents never fully appreciate teachers until it rains all weekend.

Thanks for your help with the Scoops!...Scooter.

M. Rhodes To Celebrate 80th Birthday

The children of Maybian "Granny" Rhodes will honor her on the occasion of her 80th birthday with a get together on Saturday, January 14 from 2-3:30 in the Fellowship Hall of First Baptist Church. Everyone is invited.

In lieu of gifts, you may bring a card. If you have a special memory of Granny that you would like to share with others, include this with your card.



B. L. & ERNESTEEN MARSHALL will be honored on the occasion of their fiftieth wedding anniversary with a reception Saturday, January 14 from 2 to 6 p.m. at the Fellowship Hall of the Bovina Church of Christ. The reception will be hosted by their children, Joyce Watts of Houston, Bubby Marshall of Bovina, and Meloney Early of Snyder. All friends and relatives are invited to attend. The couple were married January 18 in Lamesa at the Church of Christ and O.H. Tabor officiated. The couple have always farmed and moved to Bovina in January of 1952. They have three children, nine grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

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FEDERAL
CREDIT UNION

on a regular basis every
Thursday,

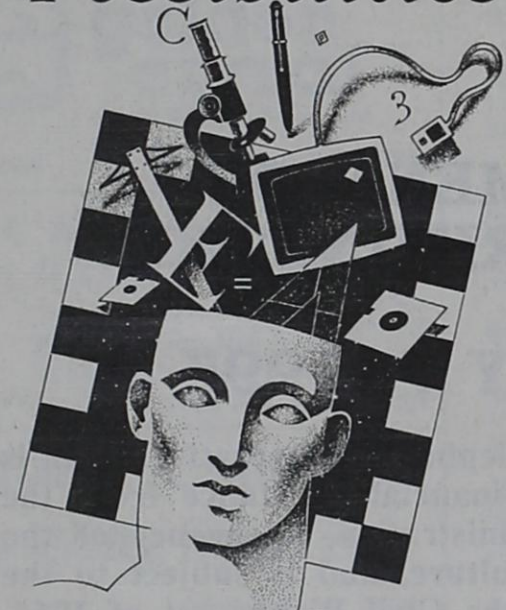
from 11 a.m. - noon
and 1 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Getting paper work done toward
vehicle titles, etc.

(Vehicle registration can be done
at the Credit Union on a regular
basis)

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advance your education
Spring 1995

Registration • January 10-13

Jan. 10 • Returning Students
Only students enrolled in the Fall 1994 semester may enroll on this day

Jan. 11-12 • All Students

Jan. 13 • Registration Changes • Drop/Add period begins
Admission paperwork should be completed prior to registration

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Refer to the 1995 Spring Schedule for complete registration information.
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