

BY BILL ELLIS

**AUTOMOBILE OWNERS** in Texas may have thought that the registration system which began in 1975, whereby new plates are not required every year, was a new system.

However, we have received some information this week that reveals that such is not the case. Not at all.

You may recall that some weeks back the Blade printed a photo of Dorothy Harris, with an old license plate that the Harrises had found, but had no idea as to the age of the plate.

County tax assessor-collector Hugh Moseley did some research, and discovered that apparently the tag that the Harrises own was first issued in 1917, when the state began a new registration process.

Beginning with the 1917 plates, the same license plates were displayed year after year. Renewal seals, which were affixed to the automobile's radiator, were purchased each year. No year of issuance was stamped on the plates (that's the reason the Harrises could not tell the age of the old plate), but they were valid as long as owners continued to purchase their renewal seals and displayed them.

Moseley secured some information, complete with a picture, that definitely identifies the Harris plate as one of these 60-year-old plates.

Records show that the 1917 state license plates were obtained from the S.C. Adams Stamp and Stationery Company of St. Louis. Twenty railroad cars were required to bring the 300,000 plates to Austin.

The Highway Department paid 39 cents for each one of the license plates in 1917.

The old style plates measured about 17 inches long. They were fairly heavy, being considerably larger than the current plates, and a little thicker.

The plate belonging to the Harrises is remarkably well-preserved, owing to its age.

IF YOU ENJOY great gospel preaching, and equally great music, then you would enjoy attending the Wayne Bristow crusade this week in Friona.

Bristow, who was our best buddy and sidekick all the way through junior high and high school at Muleshoe, has assembled an outstanding evangelistic team, with choir director Felix Snipes and soloist-youth director Jimmy Hodges.

The Bristow team spans the globe with its gospel message. They have just recently returned from Africa, where the trio worked with James Tidenburg, former local resident, in an evangelistic campaign.

If you enjoy singing in a choir, you would particularly enjoy the thrill of singing in Felix Snipes' choir. It's a once in a lifetime chance for residents of a small town. Call us for details, if you would be interested.

WE WERE HONORED by receiving an award from the Panhandle Press Association this past week.

We recall not too many years ago that only a few newspapers would enter the competition each year. However, it has become so competitive that virtually every paper in our section enters, including several daily and semi-weekly publications.

A number of newspapers much larger than the Blade, including some that in the past have taken awards, did not do so this year. It is getting to be more of an honor to win one of the prizes. They mean much more when they are hard-earned.

HOW GREAT THE RAINS of the past week have been. They have been about as well-timed as the farmers could ask for, and with the high cost of production, which includes natural gas for irrigation, every break like this will add up for the farmers at harvest time.

Here's hoping that the rains of the past week will herald a banner crop year in our area. It's a great start.

PLEASE DON'T KILL any English sparrows. They have been observed eating dandelion seeds.



**TROPHIES AND SMILES....** The Bovina Filles track team, who claimed the district championship last week at Hereford, proudly show their trophies and smiles. They are, top row, (l-r), Belinda Shelby, Pam McCormick and Sandi Sides. Third

row, Denise Read, Kim Naegle, Laura Widner. Second row, coach Joel Nelson, Diane Gilbreath, Annette Stevenson, Denise McCormick, bottom row, Claudia Chlsom, Pat Shepard and Debra Gilbreath. (See story, page 3)

## Blade Wins Prize In Press Event

The Bovina Blade was among the prize-winners at the 65th annual convention of the Panhandle Press Association last weekend in Amarillo.

The Blade won third place in the General Excellence division for newspapers up to 1,500 circulation.

The "General Excellence" division takes into account the overall appearance or makeup of the paper. Issues entered were published August 18, 25 and September 1, 1976.

Also winning an award was the Blade's sister publication, the Friona Star, which was given third place for the "Advertising Initia-

tive" division for newspapers over 1,500 circulation.

The award kept the Blade's "winning streak intact" in the PPA, as the local paper traditionally wins at least one award in the yearly contests. Last year's award was given in the "Best Special Editions" category.

Judging the 1977 contests were newspapers published in Louisiana. During the meeting, Dave McReynolds of Stratford was installed as president of the PPA for 1977.

Speakers for the convention included Louise Evans, Amarillo's Woman of the Year.



**WINS AWARD....**The Bovina Blade was a prize-winner in the annual Panhandle Press Assn. contests this

year. Shown with the award, for General Excellence, are Dick Jones, Bill Ellis and Scooter Russell.

## FOLLOWUP SET

# "WIFE" Meeting Has Good Crowd

Mrs. Vernon Estes, prime mover of a drive to organize wives of farmers into an autonomous local unit of fast-growing WIFE, expressed gratification Monday night about the turnout of more than 50 persons at a meeting designed to gauge interest and impart information.

Mrs. Estes, welcoming those attending, noted the agricultural community represents only four per cent of the population; the wives must get together for strength and power and must follow through with collective ideas.

Bedford Forrest of KVII-TV, Amarillo, suggested WIFE members should get out of Bovina to tell the farmer's story, make it effective by knowing all the facts about their own farm and educate their representatives and senators.

Forrest said "We have freedom of religion and freedom of speech and we do not use either one properly." He said the group should quit griping to one another and take their plight to those who are in a position to help.

He stated that in 1850 world population stood at one billion people, he explained the population was two billion in 1930; three billion in 1960 and had swollen to four billion in 1975. All these people have one common trait, he said: They have to eat.

Turning to the men in the audience, Forrest said he knows the farmer wants to produce a good quality product. He urged each man to support his wife and her organization while, at the same time, being careful not to abdicate his other responsibilities. In conclusion, he suggested WIFE organizations should write letters, send Mail-Grams and make phone calls to any and all political representatives, local, state and national.

Four members of Spearman WIFE, the first such group to be organized in Texas, were present to bring the audience up-to-date information and guidance on how to organize and how to be effective. Those coming from Spearman were Mrs. Earl Novak, Mrs. Nolan Holt, Mrs. Bill Strawn and Mrs. Johnny Dunnihoo.

Each expressed pleasure at being in Bovina and divided speaking turns. A Paul Harvey column was read; wherein it was noted that, while there has been a general recovery from the recession, the farmer has not recovered.

There is now a bread-wrapper campaign underway. The objective of the project is to send wrapped bundles of empty bread wrappers to President Jimmie Carter, the inference being that if the farmer does not receive economic assistance, there might not be any bread.

Among other items discussed by the Spearman representatives was the need for sustained interest and allocation of assignments. The bi-laws of WIFE were also read and literature distributed.

Some of the states in which WIFE groups are organized: Washington, Kansas, Colorado, Oklahoma, Texas

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## DST Set To Begin Sunday

Daylight Savings Time rears its ugly head in the area beginning this Sunday morning, April 24.

Residents are reminded to turn their clocks and watches ahead an hour prior to the time they go to bed Saturday, in order to be on time beginning Sunday morning.

The Daylight Time schedule will continue through the final Sunday in October, if the usual schedule is followed.

So, don't forget on Saturday: Spring Forward!



**WRAPPER PROJECT....** Bedford Forrest of Amarillo, and Mrs. Vernon Estes, local leader for a WIFE organization, are shown inspecting a plastic container of

empty bread wrappers, which are to be sent to President Carter to express the farmer's plight in needing a profit on his crop.

## Nine BHS Students In Regional Events

In District 3-A literary competition last Friday and Saturday in Odessa, nine Bovina High School students qualified for the regional events.

First place in debating was won by Bovina's Betty Whitecotton and David Steelman, with second place going to locals Haden Walling and George Isaac.

Max Verner had a second-place finish in persuasive speaking. Don Putnam was third in informative speaking.

In poetry interpretation, Ken Estes was awarded first place.

Stephan Klimek was judged the winner in the science competition.

In the shorthand event, Dianna Naegle was first and will compete in the regional meet along with other

Bovina High students who finished in first, second or third positions.

The one-act play was won by Vega, their contribution being, "Plaza Suite, Act III." Hart finished in second place, offering "Arctic Spring."

Junior High School competition saw Kathy Williams in a second-place tie with Glen Craft in the numbers sense category.

Donell Garner, Bovina, was third in the story telling contest of the Elementary School competition.

The picture memory contest was won by Vega, with Springlake Earth, second, and Hart, third.

Although elementary and junior high students competed in the district meet, only high school pupils will go to the regionals.

## Area Receives Good Rainfall

Five days of rain, intermittent, heavy at times and not at all even in the Bovina area, started last Wednesday around midnight.

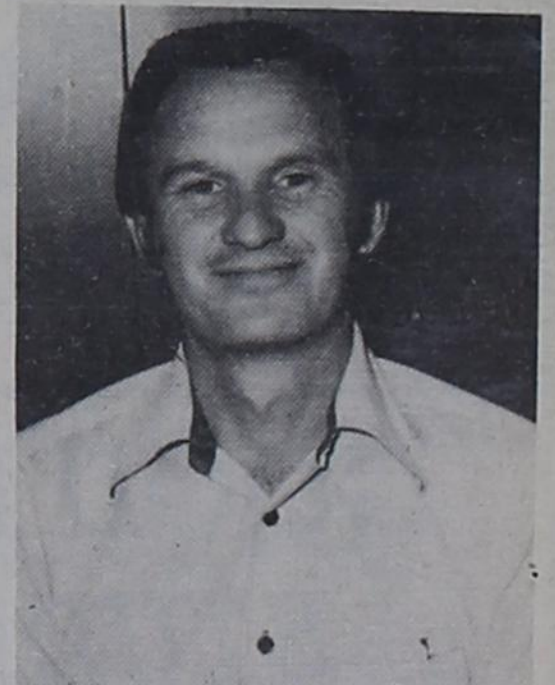
According to County Extension Agent Mack Heald, the moisture received ranged from 0.8 to 2 inches but, generally, measured from 1.3 to 1.5 inches.

Heald said the rain stopped corn planting for the time being and explained planting should be completed by mid-May for optimum production yield.

Otherwise, he believes, the rainfall has been beneficial to wheat

and barley locally, but more moisture is definitely needed, especially for dryland wheat.

A local elevator spokesman estimated that as much as 2 inches or better fell in some places and it will help, but also indicated much more moisture is needed.



**LEON WATSON....**Publisher Bill Ellis announces that Leon Watson, 29, is his new assistant, and will be working at times in Bovina as well as Friona. Watson is a native of the Lazbuddie and Muleshoe area, and has spent the past three years working for a newspaper in Levelland. He is a graduate of West Texas State University, with a major in Journalism. ADD TO BTB

## Meeting Set Here Thursday

Bovina residents will have an opportunity to meet with the City Council on Thursday, April 21, at 7:30 p.m. to present their suggestions concerning possible use of estimated Revenue Sharing Funds.

The announced expansion plans of the MBPXL Corporation has resulted in questions of local interest in the plans, the economic effects on Bovina and potential housing problems presented by an influx of at least some of the additional employees to be hired by the firm.

A number of persons will speak on this subject Thursday night and the meeting should prove to be of interest to all.



# Reflections

From *The Blade*

## 20 YEARS AGO—APRIL 17, 1957

Bovina city commissioners passed a resolution calling for a paving election for Bovina Thursday, May 2. The action was taken at a called meeting of the commission Monday night in the city hall. Election will be in the city hall.

Leveling and resodding work on Mustang Field began Tuesday morning. Work is being done by Billie Sudderth. Also, the area south of the field house is to be sodded and

will be used as a practice field.

Four teachers in Bovina Schools, including High School Principal R.E. Everett, have asked the school board not to consider their contracts for renewal.

Saturday marked the first day for Bovina to feel the effects of postal service curtailments ordered by Postmaster General Arthur Summerfield as a budgetary measure. The window of the local office was closed all day Saturday.

Damages amounting to about \$650 were done to a pickup and household appliances Friday night when the pickup overturned in Menard. E.A. McCallum, manager of Bovina Sales and Service and Arlie Draper were not seriously injured in the accident.

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## 15 YEARS AGO—APRIL 18, 1962

A plan is being put into action to bring cable TV to Bovina. O.M. Hammonds had had a city franchise for such a project for the past few years. Recently, the idea received support of Bovina Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture through directors of the organization.

City of Bovina has declared war on rats. A contract was recently signed with Orkin Exterminating Co., Inc., to have that firm furnish service for control of rats.

A total of 37 children who will be first graders in Bovina Schools next September were registered Wednesday afternoon of last week.

City of Bovina had its first alderman-type government in session at a called meeting Monday night in city hall.

Crime was active here early this week. Two Bovina drive-ins were broken into Monday night and a car

was stolen.

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## 10 YEARS AGO—APRIL 19, 1967

Carl Rea is president-elect of Bovina Lions Club. Rea, who is presently first vice president of the civic organization, was elected at a regular meeting Thursday night. New officers are scheduled to take office July 1.

Rain totaling .23 fell in Bovina Wednesday night of last week and a cold front left traces of ice Thursday morning.

Eleven first division ratings were awarded members of the junior high and beginners bands in solo and ensemble contests held at Muleshoe Saturday, according to Joe Wayne Harper, director.

Five students who took driver's education classes conducted by Mike Barraza and arranged by Justice of the Peace Wilbur Charles, have received their drivers' licenses.

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## 5 YEARS AGO—APRIL 19, 1972

Direct Distance Dialing for Bovina patrons of General Telephone Company of the Southwest went into effect here at 12:01 a.m. Sunday.

Bovina's fire department was called back to Parmer County Cattle Company last Wednesday at noon when an ensilage pit broke into flames again. The volunteers were originally called to extinguish a fire in the pit on Thursday, April 6.

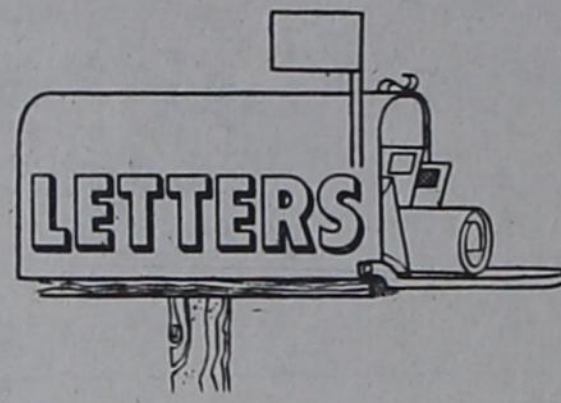
## "WIFE" Meeting...

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New Mexico, South Dakota, North Dakota and Nebraska.

Mrs. Estes has announced there will be an organizational meeting in the Community Room of First State Bank of Bovina on Tuesday, April 26, at 8 p.m.

Also disclosed were the names of those appointed as a nominating committee: Mrs. Furne Harris and Mrs. Harriet Glasscock, Bovina; Mrs. Gwen Corn and Mrs. Irene Anthony, Friona; Mrs. Lilly Christian, Oklahoma Lane and Mrs. Jimmie Briggs, Lazbuddie.



# To The Editor

Dear Editor,

We have endorsed and written our own postscript to the following letter written by Dr. Novak, a dentist and farmer of Spearman. It is our hope that every farmer and his wife will do the same thing, or write a letter of their own or send a mail-a-gram to the president. The time has come, if we are to survive as an industry, to make our voices heard where they might count. We feel it was the final blow, when the president said, during his press conference Friday, "I have never wanted to guarantee farmers a profit—just a break-even price."

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Estes

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President Jimmy Carter  
White House  
Washington, D.C. 20045

Dear Mr. President:

In the United States, only 4 per cent of the people are engaged in all forms of agriculture. This is not so in most countries. For example, 14 per cent of the people in France are engaged in agriculture; in Russia, 32 per cent; in Brazil, 47 per cent; in Yugoslavia, 53 per cent; in India, 68 per cent.

It is this condition that gives America the wealth to do greater things; that's because we spend only 15 per cent of our income on food. In France, food takes 26 per cent of a worker's income; in Russia, 40 per cent; in Yugoslavia, 39 per cent; in Brazil, 47 per cent; in India, 64 per cent.

How are these few people that produce 66 per cent of the world's soybeans; 46 per cent of the world's corn, and 40 per cent of the world's wheat rewarded? The rancher was rewarded by boycotts of beef by housewives when meat for the first time in many years rose above production costs. The rancher was further rewarded by the Federal Government clamping on a price freeze to appease the same angry housewife. The farmer was also

rewarded by an embargo placed on grain, because Union Workers felt grain was getting too costly. At this time grain was still well below 100 per cent of parity.

The biggest reward came this year when farmers spent just over \$4.00 per bushel producing the 1976 wheat crop. Today's price was \$2.40 per bushel. Wheat is selling for about 40 per cent of parity. Any man on the street can tell this will never work.

The average farmer in Oklahoma last year netted less than \$8,000.00 profit—barely above the welfare level. This same farmer had an average investment in excess of \$300,000.00 in land, machinery and livestock. The farmer could sell everything, put the money out on interest, go fishing and the interest would triple his income.

Mr. President, we must have every segment of agriculture in balance, and we must be getting our fair share of the food and fiber dollar (100 per cent of parity). Until this goal is a reality, perhaps we should ease up, produce less and fish more.

For W.I.F.E. and AGRICULTURE  
E.E. Novak, D.D.S. and Farmer

P.S. April 16

Friday, April 15, the farmer received a slap in the face from you during your press conference, when you said, "I have never wanted to guarantee farmers a profit—just a break-even price." This was part of your reply to question about how you would reassure the housewife and consumer regarding increasing food costs. I would like to remind you that a farmer's wife is also a consumer and housewife. It burns me up to buy a loaf of whole wheat bread that costs 89 cents, and know there is only 3 cents worth of wheat in it. You could have mentioned the fact that farmers could give the raw product to the processors, and food costs would go down very little, if any. There is no way we can stay in

business at a break-even price. What will we live on, hot air from Washington? We have to eat, wear clothes, send our children to school, make house and land payments, etc. How do you propose we replace old, worn out equipment and improve our land at break-even prices? It is grossly unfair to expect farmers with investments of one half million dollars to just break-even; no other industry in this country is expected to do this. All most farmers want is to be able to market their products for a reasonable profit.

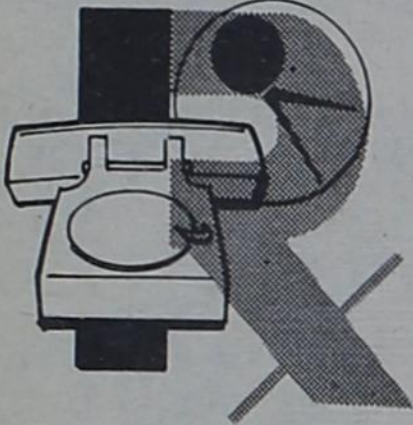
Your energy program is of vital concern, because our livelihood depends upon the use of gasoline and natural gas. We feel that farmers will try to conserve energy, if for no other reason, than the high cost of fuel. It seems that you and your energy commission could see that the already high cost of these fuels has curtailed their use very little, and adding another tax will only be inflationary, and will put farmers out of business. An increase in the cost of natural gas will be the finishing touch for farming in our area.

Yours Truly,  
Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Estes  
Bovina, Tex. 79009

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

WEEK OF APRIL 21-27  
Thursday, April 21  
Bovina Neighborhood Center meets, 7:30 p.m., at the Center.  
Monday, April 25  
Jaycee Board of Directors meet, Bovina Restaurant, 12 noon.  
Wednesday, April 27  
Senior Citizens meet, United Methodist Church, 11:30 a.m.

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## Quarterly Taxes Due

State Comptroller Bob Bullock recently urged Texas retail merchants and other sales tax permit holders to put a big red circle around April 30 on their calendars.

That's the deadline for filing quarterly sales tax reports with the State Comptroller's Office.

"Failure to meet that deadline can result in penalties for the sales tax permit holder and a lot of additional work for my office," Bullock said.

Bullock urged sales tax permit holders to contact the nearest Comptroller's Field Office or call his toll-free information number 1-800-252-5555 if they have any question about their returns.

Some 172,000 businesses file their sales tax reports on a quarterly basis.



**AGRI-FACTS**  
By John Ricci  
Agricultural economists are painting a brighter picture for the coming market year, at least for world market activities. Market observers say it will be virtually impossible for another world wheat crop to be as high as last year's. They hedge their optimism for farmers by admitting it could take a production drop of as much as 7-10 per cent to significantly raise farm prices. Most of the experts are in agreement that soybean exports should stay strong, perhaps matching or exceeding the 555-million bushels sold in foreign markets last year. Those following the progress of the world markets for beef say that two good signs are the upturns in the past three years of beef buying in both the Soviet Union and the Middle East. For our farmers and ranchers the world continues to shrink.

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## FIRST STATE BANK PRESENTS:

COW POKES

By Ace Reid



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BOVINA, TEXAS



# Gals Win District 3-A Take Aim On Region



**RECORD SETTING.....**Sandi Sides runs far ahead of other contestants in the 880 yard relay to help the

team finish first with a record breaking time of 1:47.5. Bovina won the district title held at Hereford on April 13.

They were pressed a little closer than they would have liked to have been, but the Bovina Fillies successfully defended their 3-A

## Fillies Vie For Regional

The Fillies will make a run for the girls regional title at Odessa this weekend, but they will be up against Paducah, the team that beat them there last year, and edged them by three points in the state meet.

In addition to Paducah, Nelson said that Iraan would field a strong team.

The meet will be held at Odessa College. Field event trials begin at 2:30 p.m. Running preliminaries will begin at 4:30 Friday, with finals set to go at 1 p.m. Saturday.

track and field championship at Hereford last Wednesday.

In fact, the Fillies had to win the final event, the mile relay, to claim the title with 116 points. But the results were virtually assured, since Vega, who led the Fillies going into the final event with 104 points, did not have a mile relay team entered.

**Just to put the capper on the meet, Bovina's relay foursome won the mile relay event by 40 yards over second place Springlake-Earth, and with it the district trophy.**

The Fillies scored wins with all three of their relay teams, setting a district record in the 880-yard relay event, the "new" foursome for the 1977 track season.

Sandi Sides anchored the Fillies' 880-yard relay foursome to a first

place in the record time of 1:47.5. Other team members are Belinda Shelby, Debra Gilbreath, and Diane Gilbreath.

Earlier in the day, Bovina's 440-yard relay foursome had edged Vega in a 50.6 timing. Denise Read, Sandi Sides, Diane Gilbreath and Debra Gilbreath ran on that foursome.

Pat Shepherd, who had been sick with the flu, got out of bed to compete in the district meet and won the discus throw with a toss of 108-7. She also placed second in the shot put, and will enter both events at this week's regional meet.

Freshman Denise Read, in her first big test in the 220-yard dash, passed with flying colors by running off from the field and winning with a 26.7 timing.

Team totals—Bovina, 116; Springlake-Earth, 106; Vega, 104; Farwell, 103; Kress, 56; Hart, 31.

Long jump—Sandi Sides, third, 15'5".

Triple jump—Sides, third, 32'5".

High jump—Denise Read, third, 5'1".

Discus—Pat Shepherd, first, 108'7".

Shot put—Shepherd, second, 37'8".

440 Relay—First, Denise Read, Sandi Sides, Diane Gilbreath, Debra Gilbreath, 50.6 (record—old record by Vega, 1976).

220-Denise Read, first, 26.7.

880 Relay—First, Belinda Shelby, Sandi Sides, Debra Gilbreath, Diane Gilbreath, 1:47.5 (record—old record 1:50.2 by Vega, 1976).

Mile Relay—First, Denise Read, Sandi Sides, Debra Gilbreath, Diane Gilbreath, 4:12.5.



**ANOTHER VICTORY....** Bovina freshman, Denise Read, edges other girls for a win in the 220-yard dash.

Miss Read's victory helped her team capture first in the 3-A competition.

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## LL Sets Draft Day

Joe Jones, chairman of Bovina Little League, announced on Monday there will be a player draft to be held at the ball park at 4 p.m., Tuesday, April 26.

Both the minor league, age 7-8, and the major leagues, 9-12, will be involved in the draft and Jones invites any boy interested in Little League play to attend this meeting.

Also, he said, any boy in Bovina not yet signed to play baseball can sign for the league if he is present at 4 p.m. this coming Tuesday.

# Congratulations

## TO THE LITTLE DRIBBLERS



**BOVINA SUPERMARKET**, Billy Whitecotton with Gary Carson. Co-owner Billy Smith not present.



**CHUCK'S SPRAYING...** Bill Dollar, manager, Margaret Meason, secretary. Gary Carson, chairman, Ken Sorley, coach.



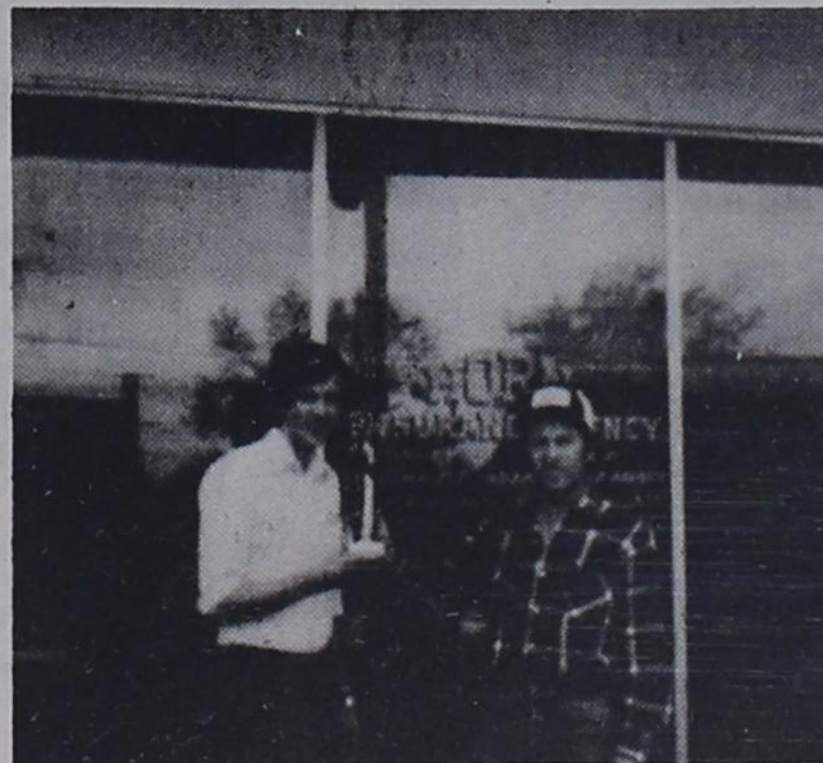
**BIG NICK...** M.M. (T-Bone) Treinen, manager and Gary Carson, Jaycee chairman.



**BOVINA WHEAT GROWERS...** Larry Webb, manager and coach; Gary Carson, chairman.

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# THE BOVINA JAYCEES



# Machine Will Help Blind Girl Read

Gaylene Varner is a pert and attractive seventh grader living in Glendale, Arizona. She is blind but is currently learning to read ordinary printed material through the use of an Optacon (Op to Tacite Converter).

Gaylene is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Dean of Rhea and Mr. and Mrs. J.R. Varner of Friona.

She is learning to read with the Optacon with the aid of Miss Pat Rust, who is a teacher of the visually handicapped. Miss Rust had previously worked with Gaylene in learning Braille, the use of tapes and other learning aids.

The optacon is a fairly new concept in communication for the blind and has been out only about seven years. The barrier to its widespread use is the cost factor. The optacon costs approximately \$3,500, putting it out of reach of most blind persons and beyond the financial capabilities of most school districts.

The Rhea Home Demonstration Club is currently promoting a drive to raise money to help buy an Optacon for Gaylene and her school.

With the Optacon Gaylene places her left index finger on a small

portable tactile screen. With her other hand, she moves a tiny camera about the size of a penknife over the printed material. The result is an enlarged letter, the shape of which is felt on her left index finger. The whole apparatus is small and portable and can go anywhere; to a library or to a grocery store, and the user is free from needing bulky special Braille materials.

Even though there have been many materials put out in Braille and on tape for blind persons, it is still difficult for the sightless to operate in a sighted world. For instance, instructions on the boxes of

cake mixes are not printed in Braille.

With the Optacon, the blind can conquer this barrier and can read anything from the phone book to an ordinary newspaper.

The learning process is slow, but Gaylene and her teacher feel that it is well worth the effort.

Anyone from this area who would like to contribute to a fund to purchase this machine for Gaylene, is asked to contact Mrs. Jack Patterson or any other member of the Rhea Home Demonstration Club. Deposits may also be made to this fund at Friona State Bank.

## Church News

**ST. ANN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
Masses at Bovina: Sunday morning at 8:30.

Masses at Friona: Saturday evening at 7:00; Sunday morning at 10:30; Wednesday evening at 8:00.

Confessions--Bovina: Saturday, 10:00 a.m. till 3:00 p.m. Friona: Saturday, 5:30 p.m. till 6:30 p.m.

Baptisms every first Sunday of the month.

New series of instructions start

every first Sunday of month at 8:00 p.m.

The Texas State Highway Department is in need of four maintenance employees. This will be for summer employment only. A period of approximately three months. If you know of anyone interested, please contact Weldon Moody at Box 27, or telephone 238-1312.

### CHURCH OF CHRIST

Those who will serve--Dwain Nance, George Powell, Herb Howell, Wiley Lide.

Table--Tad and Jon Lin, Jr.; announcements--L. Widner; prayers--Lee Capps and Scotty Johnson; nursery--Alan Noyes; prayer (offering)--Herb Howell.

Our sympathy is extended to the family of I.W. Quickel. Mrs. Quickel passed from this life on Monday morning. Funeral services were held on Thursday.

The annual Swap-Shop for Vacation Bible School will again be held at the Broadway Church in Lubbock on May 2. All teachers and co-teachers are encouraged to attend the workshop.

The truck from the Home for the Elderly will be in Bovina to pick up needed supplies in a few weeks. They need fruit juices (all kinds), prune juice, soups (all kinds), syrup, jellies, canned vegetables, catsup and any kind of soft foods.

**UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
Sympathy to I.W. Quickel, Dottie Dell Stark and Wilfred and their families on the death of Mrs. Quickel.

The Easter Sunday congregation welcomed Douglas Roming into our church family. Doug, along with those who joined us last Sunday, have been an integral part of our church for 16 years or so.

The two lillies that were so enjoyed on the evening of Maundy Thursday and Easter Sunday morning were given in memory of Mr. and Mrs. John West and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Sudderth by their children, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Sudderth.

Happy Birthdays--April 14, Stacy Nicole Barron; 16, Heath Wright, Ellen Estes, C.E. Trimble, Houston Hoover; 17, Nancy Shirley; 19, Mrs. P.O. Dixon, a member of the Over-Eighty Club; 20, Lenora Shirley, Gene Ezell.

Things To Talk About--April 22-23, Annual Meeting, Midland; Young Adult Workshop, Lubbock; 24, Council on Ministries, 8:00 p.m.; 29-30, Singles Looking Up, Lubbock. Hody McLean is in Methodist Hospital in Lubbock, 79410.



GAYLENE VARNER

## Rhea HD Club Hears Reports On District

The Rhea Home Demonstration Club met Monday, April 11 in the home of the hostess Mrs. Jack Patterson.

Reports were given about the district meeting by Ona Patterson, Velma Schlenker and Helen Potts. Greta Armstrong gave the council report.

Jana Pronger, County Extension Agent of Farwell, presented the program on THDA and its meaning.

The next meeting will be Monday, May 9 at the home of Gay Taylor. This will be the club's annual

cook-out.

Members present were Mrs. Herbert Schueler, Mrs. Elmo Dean, Mrs. Jack Patterson, Mrs. Carl Schlenker, Mrs. F.T. Schlenker, Mrs. Chris Drager, Mrs. Raymond Drager, Mrs. Floyd Schlenker, Mrs. Larry Potts, Mrs. Herman Grissom, Mrs. Keith Stephens, Mrs. Norman Taylor, Mrs. Houston Bartlett, Mrs. Keith Garner, Mrs. Cordie Potts, Mrs. Ronnie Armstrong and Mrs. Shirley Smith.

Visitors were Tammy Smith and Jana Pronger.

## Mrs. Gibson Earns Award

Mrs. Ronald (Gerri Balanger) Gibson is division winner for the Mission Is Distribution Identification (MIDI) award.

She is a clerk-stenographer in the Depot Supply Division for the Directorate of Distribution, Tinker AFB, Oklahoma.

Mrs. Gibson has been a Tinker employee for three years. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C.W. Balanger of Lariat, Texas; the wife of Air Force Sergeant Ronald Gibson, and a graduate of Bovina High School.

## Shower Set Friday For Lori Norton

A bridal shower will be held in honor of Lori Norton, bride-elect of Bobby McMeans, Jr., on Friday, April 29, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the First Baptist Church, Farwell.

Hostesses are Doris Ford, Peggy Hargrove, Maxine Williams, Liz Phillips, Jerry Meeks, Mina Sheets, Caroline Anderson, Dardanella Helton, Doris Reeves and Peggy Snider.

Selections: Isaac's, Bovina; Aileen's, Stanleys, Final Touch.

## Hospital Report

### ADMISSIONS--

Gene Dobmeier, Bovina; Maggie Guerrero, Hereford; Araceli Castaneda, Bovina; Chris Houlette, Friona; Eva Marie Nichols, Friona; Eduvijen Campos, Friona; Guadalupe Lopez and baby boy, Hereford; Tanya Chadwick and baby boy, Farwell; Hazel Kay Kendrick, Hereford; and Annie Scott, Friona.

### DISMISSALS--

Maggie Guerrero, Gene Dobmeier, Chris Houlette, Janie Flores and baby boy, Willie Mae Ross, Araceli Castaneda, Ethel Stone, Balna Martinez and baby girl, Guadalupe Lopez and baby boy, Wilma Jones, A.B. Wilkinson, Eva Marie Nichols and Bernice Thigpen.

### PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL--

Tanya Chadwick and baby boy,

### Sr. Citizens

### Set Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of Bovina Senior Citizens will be held in the United Methodist Church on Wednesday, April 27, at 11:30 a.m. Luncheon will be at 12 noon and entertainment will follow.

## Shower To Fete K. Grissom

A shower to honor Karen Sue Grissom, bride-elect of Butch McCain, will be held in the Community Room of the First State Bank of Bovina on Friday, May 6, from 3 to 5 p.m.

Miss Grissom is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Grissom of Clovis and McCain is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie McCain of Bovina.

Hostesses for the occasion will be Maxine Hart, Yvonne Stevenson, Virgie Adams, Furne Harris, Kay Williams, Helen Isaac, Ester Trimble, Pat Jacobs, Scooter Russell, Era Jamerson, Imogene Cox, Peggy Faulkenberg, Juanda Murphy, Phyllis Steelman, Jean Wiseman, Jeanne Kerby, Shirley Ware and Dorothy Sorley.

Selections at The Browsabout and Isaac's.

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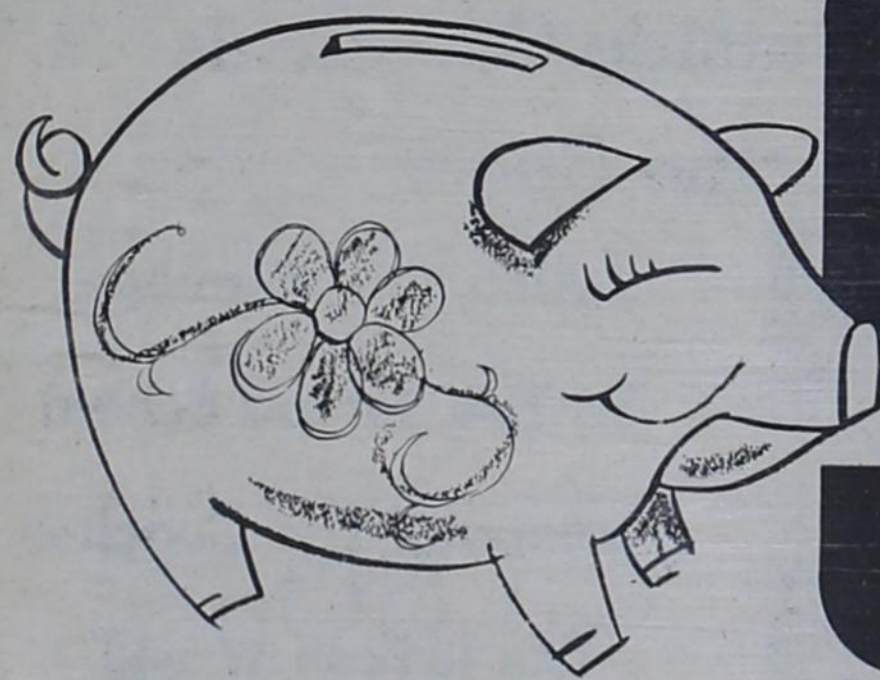
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## Services Conducted For Birdie Fite

Funeral services were held for Birdie Beth Fite, 87, Friday afternoon at the First United Methodist Church of Friona.

Mrs. Fite, who had been a resident of South Hills Manor Nursing Home in Dimmitt for the past five years, passed away Wednesday at Plains Memorial Hospital of Dimmitt.

Mrs. Fite was born on December 6, 1889, in Perryville, Arkansas. She is a former resident of Friona, and also of Wildorado.

Rev. Bobby McMillan, pastor, officiated at the funeral services. Burial was in Palo Duro Cemetery at Wildorado, under the direction of Parsons-Ellis Funeral Home.

Survivors include four daughters, Mrs. Hattie Cunningham of Oklahoma City; Mrs. Dorothy Ellis of Friona, Mrs. Janet Coalson of Carnegie, Oklahoma and Mrs. Alta Hutto of Clovis; three sons, Marion Fite of Friona, Euel Fite of Amarillo and Everett Fite of Dimmitt.

One sister, Mrs. Eva Pepper of Portland, Oregon, survives, as do 23 grandchildren, 31 great-grandchildren and six great-great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Terry Fite, Jimmy Coalson, Bert Fite, Mike

Ellis, Donald Kimball, Jimmie Cunningham and Buddy Hutto. Honorary pallbearers were Bruce Fite, Lonnie Ellis, Randy Ellis, Victor Fite, Richard Coalson and Richard Kimball.

## Gardening Program Set In Bovina

A gardening program will be held at the First State Bank of Bovina on Tuesday, April 26 at 2:30 p.m.

Main speaker will be Roland Roberts, vegetable specialist from the South Plains Extension Service. Roberts will present a slide presentation on introducing gardening, plus information as to plant varieties and water techniques good for the semi-arid area of the Panhandle.

County Agent Mack Heald will give information on spraying permits needed in this area.

A question and answer session will follow.

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Morning Worship-11 a.m.  
Training Union-6 p.m.  
Evening Worship-7 p.m.

Rev. Derrel Lewis



WEDNESDAY Prayer Meeting-8 p.m.

### MISSION BELEN BAUTISTA

Escuela Dominical-9:45 a.m.  
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Sunday:

Sunday School-10:30 a.m.  
Texas Time;  
Morning Worship, 11:30 a.m. Texas Time;



Rev. Ricky Parker

Church Training, 7 p.m. Texas Time; Wednesday Night Evening Worship, 8 p.m. Texas Time; Meeting-8 p.m.

### OKLAHOMA LANE BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School-10 a.m.  
Morning Worship-11 a.m.  
Training Union-6 p.m.  
Evening Worship-7 p.m.



Rev. Moody Smith

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Sunday School-10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship-11 a.m.  
Evening Worship-7 p.m.



Rev. H.L. Whittenburg

### BOVINA METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday School-9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship-11 a.m.  
M.Y.F.-8 p.m.  
Evening Worship-7 p.m.  
Choir Practice-Wednesday-8 p.m.



Rev. James W. Putnam

### BOVINA CHURCH of CHRIST

SUNDAY SERVICES  
Classes-8:45 a.m.  
Worship-10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.  
WEDNESDAY  
Devotional and Classes-9 p.m.



Cecil Bunch

### BOVINA PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS CHURCH

Sunday School-10 a.m.  
Morning Worship-11 a.m.  
Evening Worship-7 p.m.

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There are many who ask what they should do in order to enter this eternal life. Around this concern of the human being many philosophical and religious systems have arisen. However, in order to enter eternal life there is only one thing that a man must do: die. It is that simple. Upon dying, we all will be in eternity. Some in the place of salvation and others in the place of condemnation. The correct question, therefore, would not be what one should do to go into eternal life since all

shall do that, but what one must do to spend eternal life with God. That is something else. What to do in order to receive the immortality of the soul in the heavenly paradise.

There are many ways that are marked out by men. Man, unfortunately, often finds himself at a crossroad that confuses and assaults his spirit. The Bible recommends a great deal of care in this respect. It says: "There is a way which seems right to a man, but its end is the way of death" (Prov. 14:12). There is only one way to enter eternal life and happiness: being born again. Jesus Christ raises us from death and reconciles us to the Father. There is no other way!

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Sunday School-9:30 a.m.  
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### ST. ANN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Mass-Sunday, 8:30 a.m.  
Wednesday-8:00 p.m.  
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**LEGAL NOTICE**  
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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 5th day of May, 1977, at 7:30 o'clock P.M. at City Hall in the City of Bovina, the City Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Bovina, will hold a public hearing concerning a proposed ordinance, relating to zoning, at which time and place all interested persons and citizens may appear and will be given an opportunity to be heard either in support of or in opposition to the proposed ordinance.

Generally, but with no attempt at particularity, the proposed ordinance relates to zoning and provides for and will authorize the following: The zoning classification of the South 1/2 of Lot Three (3), and 40' of Ave. I of Block Ninety (90) of the Original Town of Bovina, Parmer County, Texas, shall be changed from residential "A District" to retail "E District." Pat Kunselman City Secretary

**THANK YOU**  
Words cannot express our heart-felt thanks to each of our friends who expressed their sympathy and love during the loss of our loved one. The cards, flowers, food and prayers were deeply appreciated. God bless you all.

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Wilfred Quickel and Family  
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## COUNTY TREASURER'S REPORT

REPORT of Benna Felts, County Treasurer of Parmer County, Texas, of Receipts and Expenditures from January 1st, 1977 to March 31st, 1977, inclusive:

JURY FUND, 1st Class	
Balance last Report, Filed 12-31-76	1,725.35
To Amount received since last Report,	888.06
By Amount paid out since last Report, Ex. "A,"	1,340.00
Balance	1,273.41
ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND, 2d Class	
Balance last Report, Filed 12-31-76	1,541.80
To Amount received since last Report,	888.05
By Amount paid out since last Report, Ex. "B,"	750.00
Balance	1,679.85
GENERAL COUNTY FUND, 3d Class	
Balance last Report, Filed 12-31-76	29,922.75
To Amount received since last Report,	67,518.99
C.D. #2467 Maturesd	50,000.00
SALARY: Fees of Office	29,726.86
SALARY: Disbursements	-37,462.08
C.D. #2965 Purchased	-50,000.00
By Amount paid out since last Report, Ex. "C,"	-49,901.63
By Amount transferred to other Funds, since last Report,	-12,473.04
To Soc/Sec. Fund	27,331.85
Balance	2,051.01
PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT FUND 4th Class	
Balance last Report, Filed 12-31-76	2,051.01
To Amount received since last Report,	888.04
By Amount paid out since last Report, Ex. "D,"	N O N E
Balance	2,939.05
RIGHT OF WAY FUND 5th Class	
Balance last Report, Filed 12-31-76	27,282.96
To Amount received since last Report,	13,574.88
C.D. #2465 Maturesd	60,000.00
C.D. #2958 Purchased	-60,000.00
Balance	40,857.86
LATERAL FUND 6th Class	
Balance last Report, Filed 12-31-76	7,454.27
To Amount received since last Report,	156.20
Payment Stopped on Ck #4602	156.20
By Amount paid out since last Report, Ex. "F,"	2,577.57
Balance	5,032.90
SOCIAL SECURITY FUND, 7th Class	
Balance last Report, Filed 12-31-76	2,147.71
To Amount received since last Report,	-15,000.00
C.D.'s Purchased	12,473.04
To Amount transferred from other Funds, since last Report,	10,981.21
From General Fund	10,981.21
From Farm to Market	10,981.21
By Amount paid out since last Report, Ex. "G,"	-8,910.26
1st Qtr. Report	-13.25
Adm. Fees	1,678.45
Balance	5,602.96
FARM TO MARKET FUND, 8th Class	
Balance last Report, Filed 12-31-76	114,611.68
To Amount received since last Report,	61,002.60
By Amount transferred to other Funds, since last Report,	10,981.21
To Social Security	48,230.83
Balance	7,226.00
REVENUE SHARING FUND, 9th Class	
Balance last Report, Filed 12-31-76	58,147.24
To Amount received since last Report,	-48,402.80
From Gov't., Plus C.D. Maturesd	16,970.44
By Amount paid out since last Report, Ex. "I,"	16,970.44
Balance	145,994.64

RECAPITULATION	
JURY FUND, BALANCE	1,273.41
ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND BALANCE	1,679.85
GENERAL COUNTY FUND BALANCE	2,939.05
PERM/IMPROVEMENT FUND BALANCE	40,857.86
RIGHT OF WAY FUND BALANCE	5,032.90
LATERAL FUND BALANCE	1,678.45
SOCIAL SECURITY FUND BALANCE	48,230.83
FARM TO MARKET FUND BALANCE	16,970.44
REV/SHARING FUND BALANCE	145,994.64
LIST OF BONDS AND OTHER SECURITIES ON HAND	
C.D.'s for Parmer County Permanent School Fund	670,900.00
C.D.'s for Parmer County Available School Fund	24,000.00
C.D.'s for Parmer County General Fund	150,000.00
C.D.'s for Parmer County Right of Way	60,000.00
Voter Registration Expense Acc't. (Special)	539.40

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF PARMER  
Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Benna Felts, County Treasurer of Parmer County, who being by me duly sworn, upon oath, says that the within and foregoing report is true and correct.  
Benna Felts, County Treasurer  
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**PERFECT HANDOFF...** Debra Gilbreath is shown handing off to sister Diane during the mile relay race in the District 3-A Girl's Track Championship meet held in Hereford last week. The Bovina girls took first in the relay with a time of 4:12.5, and then went on to clinch the district crown with 116 point.

## Winners Announced For L'il Dribblers

The Bovina Boys Little Dribblers League play was completed on March 20. The winner of the Junior Division was Bovina Wheat Growers, coached by Larry Webb and Ronnie Cary.

Team members were Arando Espinoza, Freddie Gomez, Kenneth Hughes, Chet Hawkins, Kevin Smith, Rey Duran, Alfredo Marquez and Terry Glasscock.

Other sponsors of teams in this league were Parmer County Spraying-Sherley Grain, coached by Ted Billingsley and Tommy Clement; Charles Oil-Bovina Blade, coached by George Powell and Billy Johnson.

The winner of the major division was Big Nick-Horn Insurance, coached by Randy Barrett and Danny Harris. Team members were Joe Pat Wright, Dale Gilbreath, Jose Gomez, Charles Falkenburg, Stephen McClaran, Bret Whitten and David Cruz.

Other sponsors of teams in this league were Bovina Gin, coached by Mike Grissom; Sudderth Contract-

ing, coached by Jon Lin Riddle and Billy Marshall; Bovina Pump, coached by Larry Hodnett and Mike London; Bonds Oil-Riverside, coached by Tom Bonds and Hugh Rogers.

The winner of the Senior Division was Bovina Supermarket-Chucks Spraying, coached by Ken Sorley and Dennis Willard.

Team members are Edward Chisom, Ron Putnam, Dale Turner, Daryl Hawkins, Erasmo Espinoza, Robert Villareal and Jose Gomez.

Other teams in the division are Agri-Sprayers, coached by Gaylon Rhodes; Don's Medicine Chest, coached by Mike Beauchamp and Mac Glasscock.

The Bovina Jaycees would like to express their appreciation to all sponsors, Bovina Independent Schools, all coaches and parents in giving their support to the program and the youths who participated. They would also like to thank Buster Jacops for his help and a special thanks to the Jaycee wives.



**THE COUNTY WIFE** nominating committee is shown above: Back row: Furne Harris, Bovina, Gwen Corn, Friona. Front: Harriet Glasscock, Bovina, Lilly Christian, Oklahoma Lane, Jimmie Briggs, Lazbuddle and Irene Anthony, Friona.

## Study Club Sets Event Here

The Bovina Woman's Study Club cordially invites the Senior Citizens of Bovina to be their guests at the next club program on Thursday, April 28, at 3 p.m. at the clubhouse.

Carrying out the club theme, "So Many Worlds, So Much To Do," the

program study is, "Stop The World-I Want To Get Off-For My Creative Aging."

Merv Noah, administrator of Prairie Acres Nursing Home, Friona, will be special guest speaker.

## ASCS Announces CCC Loan Changes

Prentice L. Mills, County Executive Director of the Parmer County ASCS, has announced changes in the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) wheat loans and grain storage facility (including drying and aeration equipment) loan programs.

The changes are as follows:

-1976 crop wheat may be placed under loan up until May 31, 1977.

-Interest on 1976 crop wheat under loan is six per cent. This rate became effective on April 1, 1977 and applies to all 1976 crop wheat loans from that date on.

-1976 crop wheat placed under loan this month will have a loan maturity date of February 28, 1978.

According to Mills, extended loans will be available under the grain

reserve program.

-When the loan on the 1976 crop wheat matures, the farmer will be given the opportunity to extend the loan for three years. Subject, of course, to certain provisions.

-Commodity Credit Corporation will pay annual storage in advance to farmers participating in the extended program. The storage rate for wheat is 20 cents per bushel per year. Farmers will be responsible for payment of storage to warehousemen during the extended period.

-Farmers will be permitted to repay the loan, sell the commodity, and retain earned storage under the extended loan program when the national average market price

reaches 140 per cent of the current national loan rate for wheat, or until expiration of the contract. Farmers will be notified when the 140 per cent level is reached.

-If the contract is broken by a farmer disposing of the commodity before the market price reaches the 140 per cent level, the repayment will also include all storage payments made, plus interest.

-USDA will call in all loans when the market price reaches 175 per cent of the current national loan rate. If a loan is not repaid within 30 days after the loan is called, all storage payments made, plus interest, will be added to the loan indebtedness.

The storage facility loan program

has been liberalized, according to Mills. This is the program whereby CCC loans are available for the purpose of erecting grain-storage and/or drying equipment on the farm.

The provisions are:

-The loan amount to one producer can be up to \$50,000.00.

-New loans can include concrete and wiring costs for structures and drying equipment.

-Loan can be for 85 per cent of cost. In other words, 15 per cent down.

-The interest rate is seven per cent per annum.

-The loan period is for five years.

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### April 30 Shower Set

A bridal shower for Sabrina Houck, bride-elect of Ronnie Nuttall, will be held at the Community Room of the First State Bank on Friday, April 30 from 4-5:30 p.m.

Hostesses are Furne Harris, Nelline Spicer, Juanda Murphy, Sandy Ware, Pat Read, Jane Miner, Scooter Russell, Lavoida Hawkins, Laura Nell Coffey, Rose McCain, and Barbara Cockerham.

### Bristow Leads Crusade

Evangelist Wayne Bristow of Lubbock is leading the "Living Proof" revival crusade at Friona's First Baptist Church through Sunday, April 24.

Bristow is a native of Muleshoe, and has a number of friends in this area. He is a veteran of more than 400 evangelistic crusades throughout the world.

Felix Snipes of Atlanta, Georgia, is the music director for the crusade. Jimmy Hodges of Lakeland, Florida is the featured soloist and director of youth activities.

Services are held nightly at 7:30. Sunday services begin at 10:50 a.m. and 7 p. m. Capacity crowds had attended the first three services of the crusade.

Everyone in the area is invited to attend this series of services.

### SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

Week of April 25-29

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**TUESDAY**-Barbecue beef, potato salad, pinto beans, cabbage slaw, yeast corn bread, butter, fruit cocktail, milk.

**WEDNESDAY**-Green enchilada casserole, black-eye peas, Spanish rice, carrot sticks, bread, butter, pear halves, orange juice, milk.

**THURSDAY**-Hamburgers, tomato, lettuce, mustard, onions, pickles, potato chips, brownies, peach halves, milk.

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