

CHARLOTTE WILBURN and Brad Hromas, top, accept the Chamber Heritage Award in behalf of their father, Arnold Hromas, who was ill and unable to attend. Below, David Garcia and Christen Stowers, BHS seniors, were honored as Students-of-the-Year.

"LIKE WATER ON STONE, the Texan way of speaking is slowly eroding away as time passes and new residents move in from our nation's extremities and from other countries." This is according to a front page article in the *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal* on Monday of this past week.

"MY TURN"
by
Carol
Ellis



Frankly, I think it is sad to see the outside world so rudely intruding upon our Texan uniqueness. For many decades, we've been proud to stand just a bit taller than the rest, at least in our own estimation. When traveling abroad, Texans are the only people who give their state as "where they are from" instead of naming their country. Most folks say they are American, or "I'm from the states." But Texans, with our over-inflated sense of pride, will always say "I'm from Texas," and the whole world just naturally knows that this is a special part of the U.S.

Linguist Guy Bailey hails from San Antonio where he is provost and vice president of academic affairs at the U. of Texas at San Antonio. He notes that the Texas dialect known the world over has several variants. The soft, round tones of the Deep South are prominent in East Texas because it was settled earlier, largely by Gulf and Delta Southerners. "The accent grows sharper and 'twangier' to the west, settled later by those with roots in Appalachia and Tennessee," Bailey said.

The first time my Good Old Boy and I visited with our distant relatives in Tennessee, I was surprised to find their nasal tone and accent was exactly like our own Texas twang, but they just speak a lot slower, making it sound more southern. We remembered studying about Texas offering cheap land in the mid to late 1800s to settlers from Tennessee (and other Southern states) who would come to Texas and settle our vast and wild expanses of real estate.

Bill's own great-grandfather walked approximately 580 miles from Western Tennessee to Texas at the age of 14 in 1880 to rejoin his family after his father died, leaving him with a stepmother. Is it any wonder that we sound like Tennesseans?

Bailey says the fast growing suburbs and cities of Texas are eroding the accents of the cattle drive and the oil patch. Will it be just a matter of time until our "y'all" and "howdy" and "fixin' to" will disappear into the historic and colorful past of Texas? Git outta here! (meaning: I don't believe it.) That's "pure-dee hogwash." He's just "blowin' smoke."

It takes a true Texan to understand such terms as: catty-wampus, mosey along, swimmy-headed, ever-whicha-way, pert near, over yonder, in a heepa trouble, bob war, dad gummit, blue norther, smack dab, crack the window, beholden to, comin' up a cloud, and pickyunish.

How long has it been since you've heard someone ask "What would that bring?" when selling an item. Or "I'm gonna carry her downtown" when giving someone a ride in your pickup. Or "right smart" not having anything to do with intelligence but meaning a goodly amount of something such as "She's put on a right smart of weight lately."

You can get a "bee in your bonnet" or a "burr under your blanket." You might be "wore to a frazzle" or "plumb tuckered out." If you get a "hankerin'" for a "purty young thang" you might buy her some fancy "juury." Then there's the term "spittin' image" which means to look just like somebody else, and actually has nothing at all to do with "hawkin' up" something gross. You could be "down in your get-along" or you might be "goin' to hale in a handbasket."

We eat pea goobers, lite bread, arsh taters, pintos, bobbycuc, and we all drink Sebmup or Dr. Pepper, but we call them both Coke. "Ranch" is a tool used for tightening nuts and bolts, but "rench" is running water over the dishes to get the soap off.

Visitors to our state should be required to have a visa, and anyone from somewhere else who desires to move here should be required to pass a Texas vocabulary test for citizenship.

After all, when the early immigrants came to America, they had to learn English--the folks already here weren't required to learn their language. Since Texas started out as an independent nation, we should retain the right to require new residents to learn to write and speak Texan!



Candidates For Council, School Board

The March 20 filing deadline for city council and school board elections had four candidates filing for each race.

Galen Hromas has filed for re-election for mayor.

The two vacant seats for city council will be contested by Kenneth Waters and Jesse Stone, incumbents, and Stan Miller. Mike McCallum, appointed to fill a vacant seat earlier, will be on the ballot as a candidate to officially fill a one-year term.

In the school board election, incumbents Susan Kerby and Josey Alonzo-Coffey will be joined by Vince Terrones and Isabel Carrasco as candidates for the two vacant positions.

The election is May 4.

National Doctors' Day Is Observed

Parmer County Community Hospital and the Hospital Auxiliary members joined together in celebration of "National Doctors' Day" with a reception honoring the medical staff.

The Parmer County Community Hospital Auxiliary presented red roses to members of the medical staff. Bill Neely, hospital administrator, said "We are very pleased to join with our Auxiliary members in expressing our appreciation to the medical staff for their outstanding service to our community."

Doctors' Day has been celebrated in March since 1933 and commemorates the discovery of ether for painless surgery.

SEN. TEEL BIVENS, SPEAKER

Patriotic Theme Background For '02 Chamber Banquet

The 42nd Annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet was held Thursday, March 21, with a nice crowd of about 150 in attendance.

Featured speaker, State Senator Teel Bivens, discussed several issues pertinent to area farmers and ranchers. He also told the audience that his major interest in the

next legislative session would be education.

Specifically, Bivens said that alternate methods of financing for public education, other than the current property taxes, must be explored. He talked about the water issue in the Panhandle and the current proposals to sell Panhandle water to other cities down-state.

The theme for the banquet was "American Pride." As they always do, the ladies in charge of decorating did a fantastic job. The red, white and blue theme was carried out throughout the room.

A special thanks to the students who volunteered to serve the meal. They did an outstanding job as well, serving steaks, rolls and drinks.

The highlight of the event was the announcing of local honorees.

Stan Miller was chosen as Man-of-the-Year. Stan is a Texico High graduate, a Navy veteran, and a paramedic on the local EMS. He also serves as Bovina's fire chief.

Stan has been an employee of the Bovina ISD for 11 years and is Sunday School director at First Baptist Church. He and his wife, Darlene, have two daughters, Hannah and Heather.

Suezy Smith was honored as Woman-of-the-Year. Suezy has lived in Bovina most of her life. Her family moved to Bovina when she was six years old.

She attended Bovina schools and Draughtons Business College in Ft. Worth and Clovis Community college.

She and her husband Billy are the parents of twin daughters, Arlene Brozek and

Darlene Miller, both of Bovina; and a son, Kevin Smith of Hereford.

Judith Thieman was selected as Educator-of-the-Year. Mrs. Thieman has taught for a total of 30 years, including 18 years in Bovina where she is the home economics teacher.

Arnold Hromas was chosen to receive the Heritage Award. He moved to Parmer County the day before Thanksgiving in 1919.

His parents bought land about 10 miles east of Farwell and 5 miles south of Bovina. He graduated from Oklahoma Lane in 1936.

He and his wife Amy moved to a farm west of Bovina that was purchased in 1937. They still live there today.

He was president of the school board when the school burned in 1954. He was a builder, building both the Methodist and Church of Christ parsonages.

He and Amy have three children: Charlotte Wilburn of Hereford and Galen and Brad of Bovina.

Christen Stowers and David Garcia were voted Students-of-the-Year.

Christen is the daughter of Roy Lee and Dorothy Stowers. She has attended Bovina schools for 13 years.

She has been a cheerleader, played basketball, ran track and cross country and even tried golf for a while. She has been active in the National Honor Society and student council.

David is the son of Fidel and Catalina Garcia. He has played football, basketball and ran track since his middle school days.

He is a member of the National Honor Society and has been active in One Act Play and UIL Academics.



TEEL BIVENS Banquet Speaker



JAN THIEMAN Educator-of-the-Year

Board Shuffles Teacher Lineup At March Meeting

The Bovina ISD Board of Trustees met in regular session on Thursday, March 7, 2002, in the administration building.

All members were present. Staff present were K'Dawn Scroggins, Matt Branstine, Darla Sealey, Barbara Beall, Norma Villarreal and Mitzi Johnson. One visitor, Phillip Lowery was also present.

In Board Action items, Justin Brozek made a motion to enter into a project development agreement with Johnson Controls, Inc. for a facility operational efficiency evaluation. The motion passed 6/1 with Josie Alonzo-Coffey voting against.

Acceptance of all conforming textbooks for 2002-03 and approval of the BISD Technology Plan for 2002-2007 were passed by the board.

The board also approved participation in the Texas

School Improvement Initiative program.

In a motion to approve the 2002-03 school calendar, the motion passed 5/2 with Brozek and Joe Steelman voting against.

A board meeting was set for April 2 at 7 p.m. for Level II training and goal setting.

After principals and superintendent reports, the board went into closed executive session at 9:37 p.m. and came out of the session at 11:14 p.m.

In personnel actions taken, the following teacher's contracts were not renewed: Kayla Cowen, Bryan Jones, Tanya Moroney, Michelle McGillis, Doug Schwartz and Jarrod Sowder.

Also issued notices of contract non-renewal were James Barnard, Linda Douglas, Wayne Richardson, Bill Shelly and Susan Southerland.

The following probationary contract teachers were extended a term contract: Rachel Avalos, Tony Epps, Lisa Gallegos, Bob Horton, Donna Plummer, Randy Ragland, Joey Sims, Tammy Sims, Debby Weems and Wesley Weems.

The following teachers were extended term contracts: Cindy Alexander, Denise Anderson, Peggie Arnold, Christy Barksdale, Barbara Beall, Carolyn Beauchamp, Barbara Charles, Della Cupit, Helen Deen, Sandi Downes.

Also, Bill Drumma, Michael D'Uva, April Eschberger, Kathy Graves, Judy Jennings, Mitzi Johnson, Randy Johnson, Luanne Landess, Robert Lees, JoAnn Luscombe.

Also, Bobby Martin, Martha Morris, Betty Rich, Christine Salas, Tina Sides, Phyllis Steelman, Sarah Stevens, Janie Sudderth, Jan Thieman, Norma Villarreal, and Ken Wolske.

In a final action, the Board accepted the resignation of Margaret Durben.

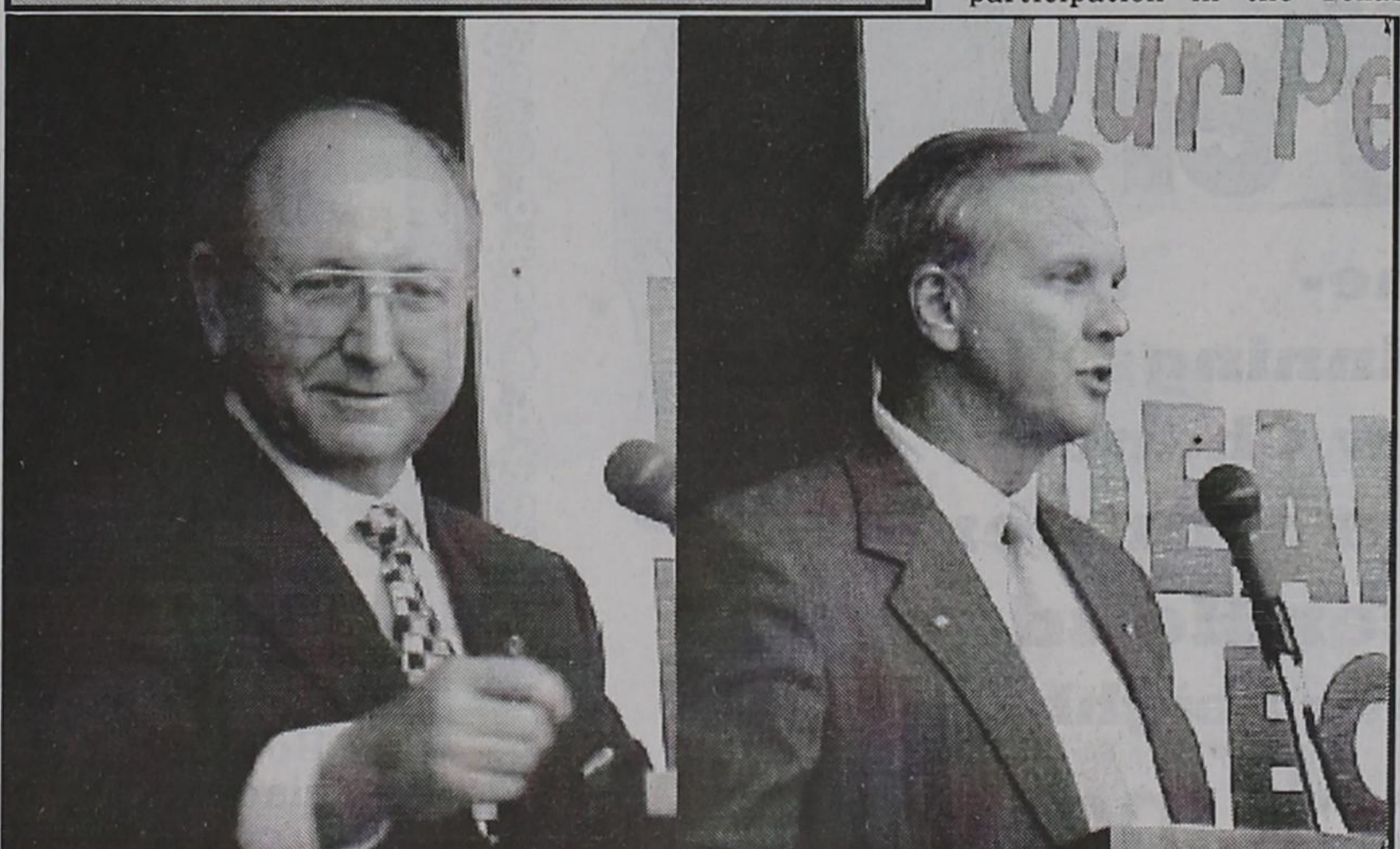
Greetings At Eastertide

don't miss the big egg hunt

Bovina's Lion's Club will host the Annual East Egg Hunt Sunday, March 31 at 2 p.m. in the City Park.

Children will be separated into three age groups and will hunt eggs provided by Lowe's Pay and Save in Bovina.

Get your baskets and running shoes ready--Easter's almost here!



DEAF SMITH ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE served meals to 1350 people at their annual stockholders meeting and banquet. At left, DSEC member services manager Tommie Weemes presides over the door prizes; right, DSEC president and general manager Steve Louder gives a short business report.

BOVINA REFLECTIONS

...from the files of The Bovina Blade

45 Yrs ago-March 27, 1957
Bovina missed the brunt of a March blizzard that crippled areas beginning just a few miles north of here over the weekend. Except for blown-down television towers, Bovina had few ill effects to show for its part in the two-day blizzard.

Bovina's fire insurance key rate has been lowered. Local insurance agents have been notified that the rate had been dropped from 97 cents to 90 cents.

Saturday, city commissioners authorized Chas. Lovelace, County Sheriff, to hire a full-time deputy for Bovina and the surrounding area.

The contract for widening the paving on Highway 60 in Bovina was let last week by Texas Highway Department to Kerr and Middleton of Lubbock.

40 Yrs Ago-March 28, 1962
James McLeroy has resigned as principal of Bovina High School effective at the end of the school year in May. He has accepted a position as superintendent of Union Independent School District which is eight miles south of Brownfield.

Installation of additional telephone circuits began this week in Bovina, according to R.E. Sanders, district manager for General Telephone Company of the Southwest.

Announcement was made early this week of purchase of Bovina Tire Service by Charles oil Company. New location of the business will be at Charles Oil Company's "66" Station at the intersection of Highway 60 and Third Street.

35 Yrs Ago-March 28, 1967
The annual spring revival is scheduled at First Baptist Church of Bovina next week, Monday through Sunday, April 3-9. Rev. Max Morris will be the evangelist. He is pastor of First Baptist Church in Camdenton, Missouri.

About 275 youngsters turned out Sunday afternoon during ideal spring weather to attend the annual Bovina Jaycees Easter Egg Hunt held just west of town. This year, 6,080 eggs were hidden for the children of the community.

Rainfall in the Bovina area Wednesday and Thursday ranged from sprinkles west of town up to two inches on the Lawrence Jamerson farm six miles southeast of Bovina.

Dr. Mary Bubliss of Plainview was the speaker at Bovina Woman's Club Thursday afternoon. "Challenges of our Mental Health" was the topic of the meeting.

30 Yrs Ago-March 29, 1972
Mustang Drive-In, which has recently been moved to a new location and enlarged in the process, is now open for business, according to Mr. and Mrs. H.H. Kelso, owners of the business.

Two New Mexico men were arrested over the weekend and charged with the theft of about 40 gallons

of diesel from Bovina Wheat Growers according to City Marshal Ronald Mitchell.

Friendly rivalry between the three towns of Parmer County is making the decision as to where to locate a proposed new county livestock showbarn a difficult problem.

Some 300 high school juniors and seniors from Bovina, Farwell, Lazbuddie and Texico attended a Career Day at Farwell High School last week. Farwell's National Honor Society and the Guidance Department served as hosts of the all-day event.

25 Yrs Ago-March 30, 1977
The Bovina Fillies, getting stronger with each succeeding meet, captured the championship last Friday and Saturday in a strong 16-team field at the Friona Squaw Relays.

20 Yrs Ago-March 31, 1982
Andy Alexander and Rebecca Hodnett were named as the District's Best Actor and Actress in the UIL One Act Play competition, which was held in Farwell.

In the mayor's race, two men will be running for election, they are Dale Gober and Owen Patton. Those running for city councilmen are Billy J. Charles, Garry Beauchamp and Joe Jones.

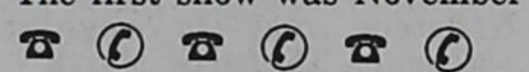
Steve Sherrill, Billy Marshall, Don Teague, Lowell Boozer, Wayne McClaran and Larry Hodnett are in the race for School Board positions. Ona Patterson, her daughter, Cynthia, and family spent ten days vacationing on the Grand Cayman Islands, south of Cuba.

Lawrence and Hattie Gray are home recuperating after both were hospitalized suffering from illnesses.

15 Yrs Ago-April 1, 1987
Clifford Leake sustained injuries last Saturday morning when the automobile he was driving was struck by a 1987 Kenworth truck trailer. His vehicle was totaled.

Billy Whitecotton has bought out Billy Smith's interest in the Bovina Supermarket after the two had been in business for the past 15 years.

The snow came on Sunday and was the twenty-second time we had had a "tracking" snow in Bovina. The first snow was November



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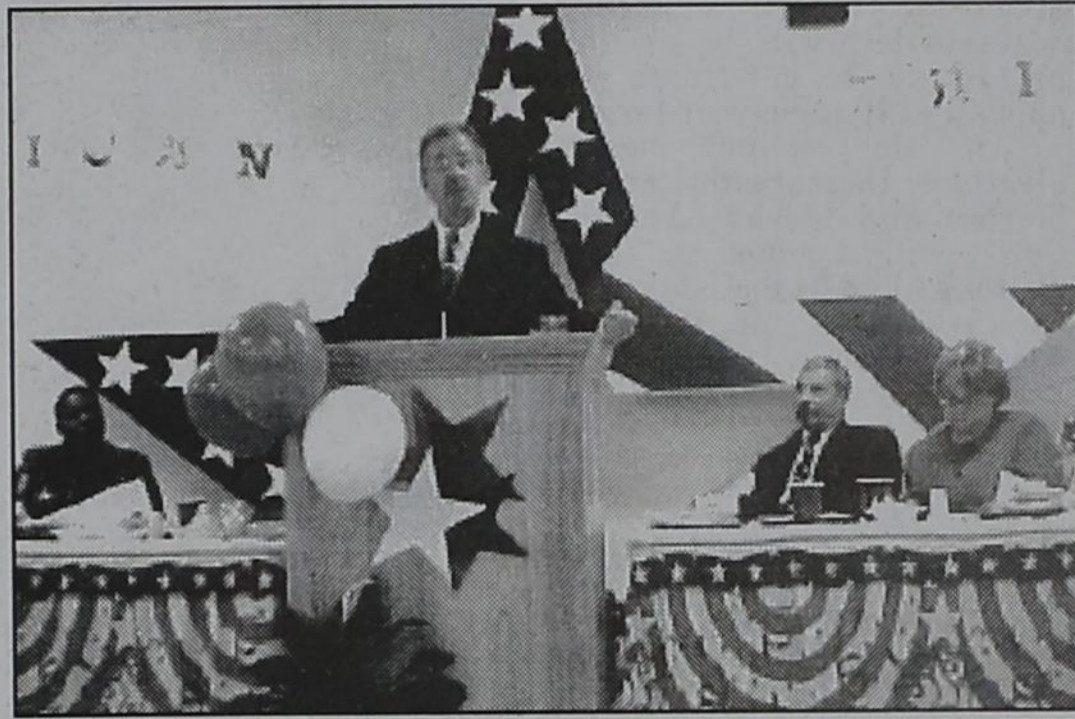
10 Yrs Ago-March 28, 1992
Grady and Dorothy Sorley received top honors, Man and Woman of the Year, presented by the Bovina Chamber of Commerce during the Chamber's 32nd annual banquet last Thursday night. Chris Cupit, Special Education instructor, received the Chamber's Teacher award. Jack Patterson and Margaret "Maggie" Terry received the Heritage awards. Jamie Graves and Grace Uriegas were the recipients of the outstanding Young People award.

5 Yrs Ago-March 29, 1997
The 1997 Chamber of Commerce Awards Banquet featured Bobby Ortiz as Educator of the Year and Man of the Year. Darlene Miller was recognized as Woman of the Year and Althea Wilson was honored with the Heritage Award.



SCENES FROM THE CHAMBER BANQUET....Above, Senator Teel Bivins visits with the high school students who were servers at the banquet. Thanks, kids, for your nice, polite, efficient service. Below, from top left, Senator Bivins addresses the crowd as Superintendent Michael and Sandy Downes look on: Vonda and Aaron Reed. He's the new pastor at First Baptist Church; a view of the great patriotic decorations; Hannah Miller played the National Anthem on her violin. Nice job Hannah: and Senator Bivins visits with Jack Patterson before the banquet.

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SENIOR WINNERS...Winners of the Parmer County Spelling Bee's senior division are shown above. Placings are as follows--first, Hannah Stovall of Friona; second, Nina Galvan of Farwell; and third, Lauren Hughs of Friona.



JUNIOR WINNERS...The winners of the junior division of the Parmer County Spelling Bee are shown here. The top three students are: first, Hannah Miller of Bovina; second, Nina Galvan of Farwell; and third, Alicia Porter of Farwell.



T. Hartwell Is Buried In Friona

Graveside services for Thomas Charles Hartwell, 78, were held at 11 a.m. Monday, March 25, 2002 at Friona Cemetery.

Leon Talley, pastor of Sixth Street Church of Christ, Friona, conducted the services.

Funeral arrangements were handled by Blackwell Funeral Home.

Hartwell died Monday, March 18, 2002 in BSA Hospice, Amarillo.

He was born October 24, 1923 in Kansas City, Missouri and had lived in Dalhart 30 years, moving there from Bovina. He served in the Air Force during World War II and was self-employed as a custom harvester.

Survivors include two sons, Thomas L. Hartwell of Bakersfield, California and Thomas Charles Hartwell of Amarillo; and one sister, Jeanette Taylor of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and three grandchildren.

Former Bovinan Buried

Chapel service for Kathryn A. Hancock, 90, of Muleshoe were Monday, March 25, 2002 at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel with Harry Riggs officiating. Burial followed at Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery.

She died Saturday, March 23, 2002 in Muleshoe Area Medical Center.

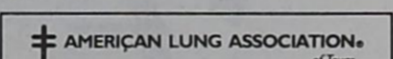
Kathryn was born February 15, 1912 in Pilot Point. She married Travis S. Hancock in Clovis, New Mexico December 25, 1929. He preceded her in death on December 16, 1983.

She moved from Bovina to Muleshoe in 1983. She was a homemaker and a member of the Church of Christ since 1950.

She was preceded in death by two sisters, five brothers and a grandson.

Survivors include a son and daughter in-law, Glen and Carol Hancock of Fritch; two daughters and sons-in-law, Jannie and Matt Moseley of Muleshoe and Jannette and Johnie St. Clair of Austin; three sisters, Skeeter Butler and Cotton Landers of Denton and Mary Siedmann of Justin; eight grandchildren; fifteen great-grandchildren and three-great-great grandchildren.

Memorials can be made to Park View Nursing Home, 1100 W. Ave. J., Muleshoe, Texas, 79347 or Vista Care Family Hospice, 4418 Olton Road, Plainview, Texas, 79078.



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Out Here

by Ron Carr

"This Moment Is So Much Bigger Than Me!"

That's kind of the way I feel when I finally sit down to write a column. This moment is so much bigger than me.

"Oh really?"
"Yeah!"
"Phooley!"
That's also kind of how I feel about all the brouhaha and folderol over the Oscars last Sunday. Phooley!

Those words, by the way, "This moment is so much bigger than me," were uttered by Halle Berry during her hysterical acceptance of the Oscar for Best Actress.

She was hysterical because she perceived herself as being the first black woman to win the Best Actress Oscar in the 74-year history of the Academy Awards.

By the way, just over 5,000 Motion Picture Academy members get to vote. When you win an oscar it is not like all the moviegoers in America have voted for you. Only 5,000 votes from people who are dues paying members of the movie academy are eligible.

Over \$50 million was

spent by the movie studios on advertising this year to try and influence those 5,000 votes. Winning an oscar must be pretty important to some people.

I didn't watch all of the Oscar show. It lasted four hours and twenty three minutes. They said that was a record for length. I don't care about that either.

Nor am I a Whoopi Goldberg fan. So I opted to watch a movie on the Lifetime Channel and flip over to the Oscars during commercials.

This year everybody was obviously pulling for Halle Berry as best actress for her role in "Monster's Ball." The story is about a black woman (more on that in a minute) whose son is sentenced to death row. She ends up falling for a white guy who was her son's executioner.

At least that's the way they explained it. I haven't seen the movie myself.

Now Ms. Berry says she is black. Have you seen her? She doesn't look black. She has a black father and a

white mother. Her mother was there at the Oscars. They showed her on camera. She is definitely white.

But Halle became incoherent when her name was called. The first "black" actress to ever win a best actress oscar? Seems to me, and a good many others, she could just as easily be white, based on her parents. She obviously chose to be black.

She sobbed and trembled and babbled and proclaimed that this was the greatest thing that has ever happened to humanity and Hollywood and blacks and, pretty much to the whole world.

Talk show host Michael Medved later pointed out that in the 1980s, an actress named Jennifer Beals won an Oscar for her role in "Flashdance" (although not best actress). He said that Jennifer also had a black father and a white mother. Apparently Jennifer chose to be white.

I am pointing this out not for what it means, but for what it doesn't mean. It is really not important to most of us if actresses and actors are white, black, brown, Chinese, or Italian.

It is just acting. It is not real. It is entertainment for the great unwashed masses to eat some popcorn and Juju Beans and be entertained for a couple of hours.

There is no message to be taken from Ms. Berry's win except that the 5,000 academy voters decided to honor a few of their black members this year.

Whoopi was the host. Sidney Poitier was given a lifetime achievement oscar, and Denzel Washington won best actor. A sweep for the black community.

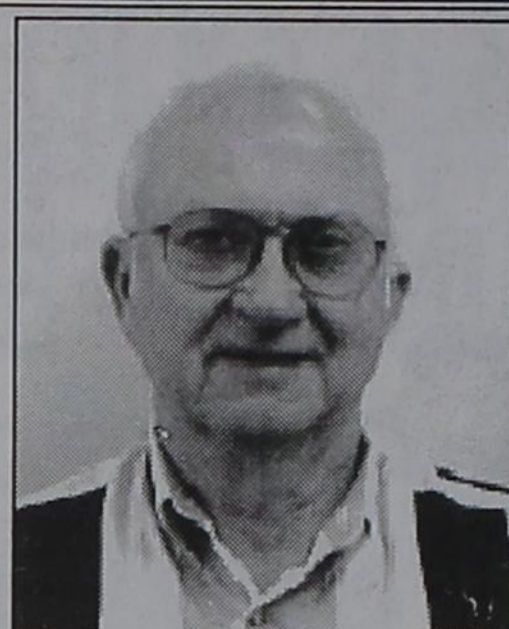
Then all the glitzy, half-crooked, rich and famous actors and actresses went home to their mansions and

mistresses and forgot the whole thing.

Nothing changed in the daily lives of most Americans, black or otherwise, as a result of the monumental oscar presentation to Ms. Berry.

I'll say one thing for Hollywood. They got guts. They are audacious enough to think that somehow their world influences how we all live and think and feel on a daily basis. And that whatever they do, or say, will somehow make a big difference to the rest of us.

"Oh really?"
"Yeah."
"Phooley."



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Former Bovina Resident Buried In Rule, Texas

Funeral services for Jessie Leona Woltman, 83, were held Thursday, March 28, 2002 at the First Baptist Church in Rule with Dr. Troy Culpepper and Rev. J.R. Williams officiating. Burial followed in Willow Cemetery.

She passed away Sunday, March 24, 2002 at a Lubbock hospital.

Jessie was born May 26, 1918 in Indiana, the daughter of Thomas Jefferson Hodgkin and Lula Trout Hodgkin. She was a member of the WMU in both Rochester and Bovina and a member of the First Baptist Church in Rule where she taught

Sunday School for 18 years.

She was preceded in death by three brothers, Fred, Ralph and Chester Hodgkin.

Survivors include one son, Tommy Williams of Bovina; two daughters, Avis Bradshaw of Lubbock and Eileen Burman of Guyman, Oklahoma; three sisters, Hazel Jordan of Euless, Elsie Booe of Graham and Minnie Pearl Kinney of Rule; one brother, Roy Hodgkin of Abilene; one sister-in-law, Lillian Hodgkin of Haskell; five grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.



Happy Easter

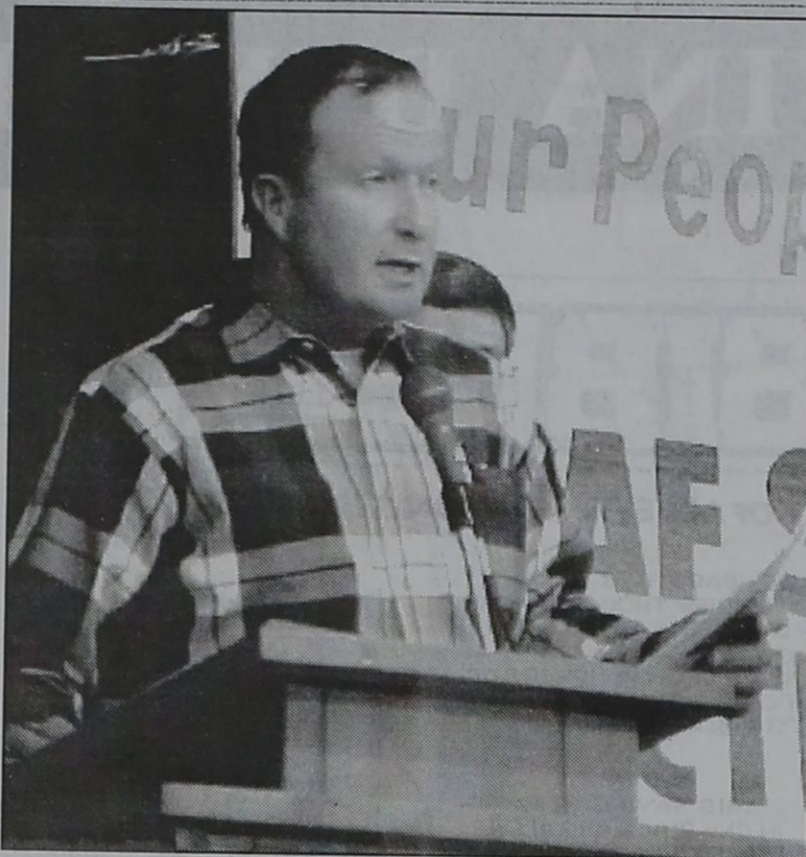
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A BIG CROWD gathered at the Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative annual meeting. Above, the Easter Brothers provided entertainment. Below, from top left, Wade Easley of First National Bank visits with the Wallings; Mike Schueler of First Bank Southwest was in the crowd; a big screen kept the crowd in touch; and Floyd Reeve and JeDon Gallman share a laugh.

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DALE SCHUELER GIVES THE NOMINATING REPORT



Around Town

Voting info for Apr 9 runoff

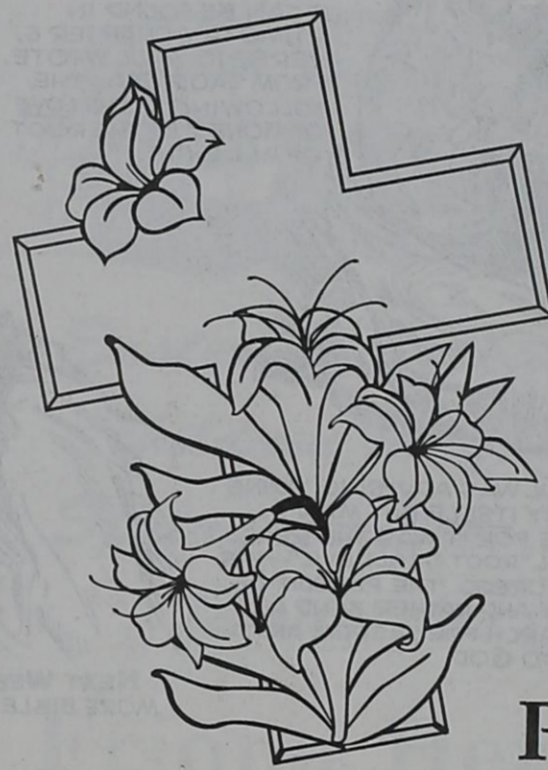
Early voting for the April 9 runoff elections will be held at Friona State Bank April 2, 3, & 4 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. In the Apr 9 runoff election, precincts 101, 202, and 402 will vote at Calvary Baptist Church. In Bovina, precincts 201 & 303 will vote at the EMS Building. If you did not vote in the primary, you can still vote in the runoff. If you voted Democratic in the primary, you cannot vote Republican in the runoff, and vice versa.

Easter services at Grace Baptist

Grace Baptist Church invites you to attend Easter services. They meet at 1601 No. Euclid (north end of the Congregational Church). Early morning Easter services will begin at 7:30 a.m. on the front lawn (weather permitting). Coffee & fellowship will follow at 8:30 a.m. At 9:30 a.m. attend the Easter Cantata at Calvary Baptist presented by the combined choirs of Calvary & Grace. There will be no evening services or activities.

Calvary Baptist Easter Weekend events

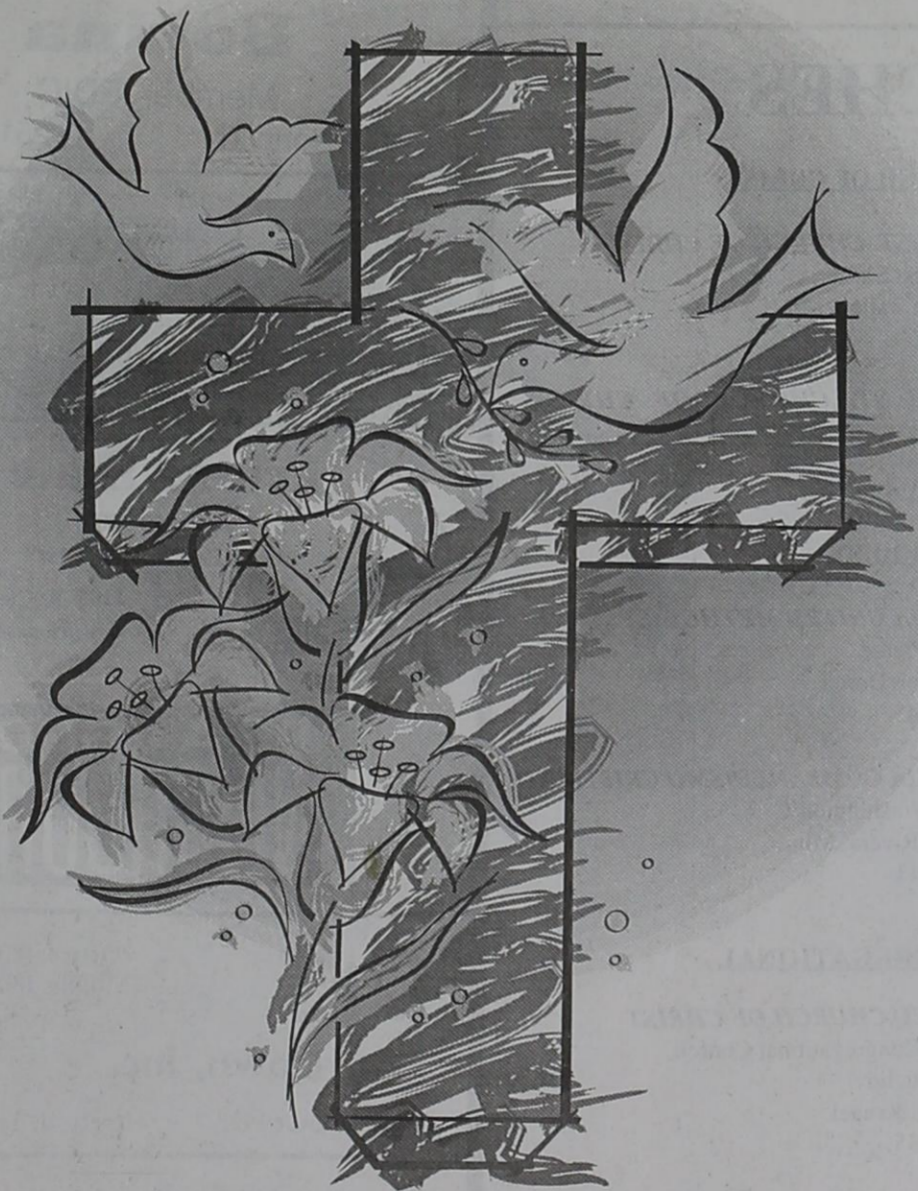
Calvary Baptist Church will host a community wide Easter pancake breakfast, 7-9:30 a.m. Saturday, Mar 30, in the fellowship hall. Following breakfast, there will be two Easter egg hunts: one for children under 12 years and one for senior adults (over 65). Seniors can win one of three prizes, Bi-Wize Drug gift certificates. On Easter Sunday, March 31, at 10 a.m., Calvary Baptist and Grace Baptist will have a joint Easter Cantata, "Rise Again." For more info, call 250-3000.



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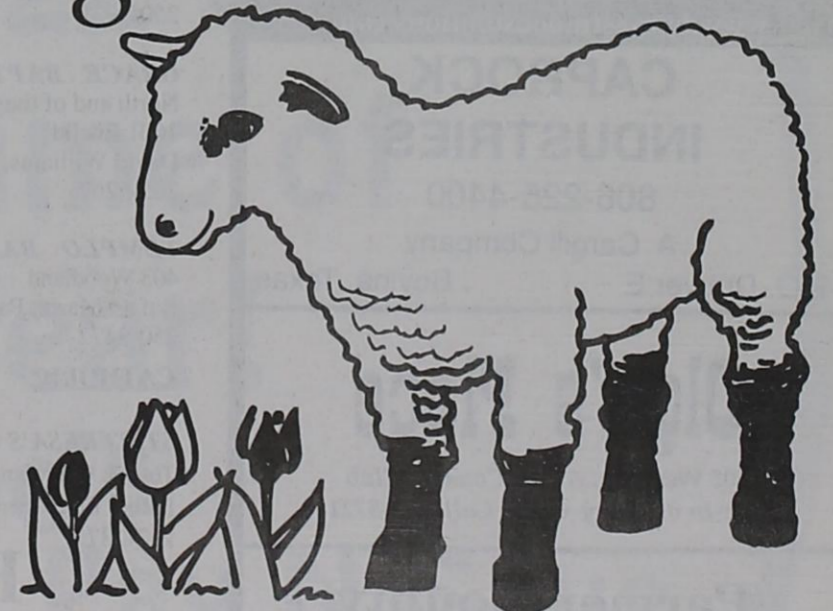
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Facts About The **BIBLE** BY JOHN LEHTI

MONEY IS THE ROOT OF ALL EVIL—WRONG!



HOW MANY TIMES HAVE WE HEARD THIS SAID AND ACCEPTED IT WITH NO FURTHER THOUGHT? HOW MANY TIMES HAVE WE SEEN IT HANGING AS A MOTTO ON A WALL OR OVERHEARD A GRANDFATHER INTONE IT SAGELY TO SOME YOUNGSTER? HUNDREDS UPON HUNDREDS OF TIMES—AFTER ALL, IT'S STRAIGHT OUT OF THE BIBLE, RIGHT? BUT FEW OF US HAVE EVER REALIZED IT'S A BLATANT MISQUOTE!



IN OTHER WORDS, PAUL WAS ADVISING YOUNG TIMOTHY THAT NOT MONEY ITSELF, BUT MAN'S INNATE GREED OR DESIRE FOR IT, WAS THE REAL TROUBLE-MAKER, THE REAL "ROOT OF ALL EVIL"—HIS FURTHER ADVICE WAS TO FOREGO THE PURSUIT OF GREAT WEALTH AND LUXURY AND RATHER BEND ALL EFFORTS TOWARDS A SEARCH FOR WISDOM AND A PURER LIFE DEDICATED TO GOD.

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Six students made the "All A" list. The honorees included:

Freshmen--Jessica Amparan, Hugo Martinez and Roger Martinez.

Juniors--Sandra Guevara. Seniors--Kelcey Scroggins and Angela Villarreal.

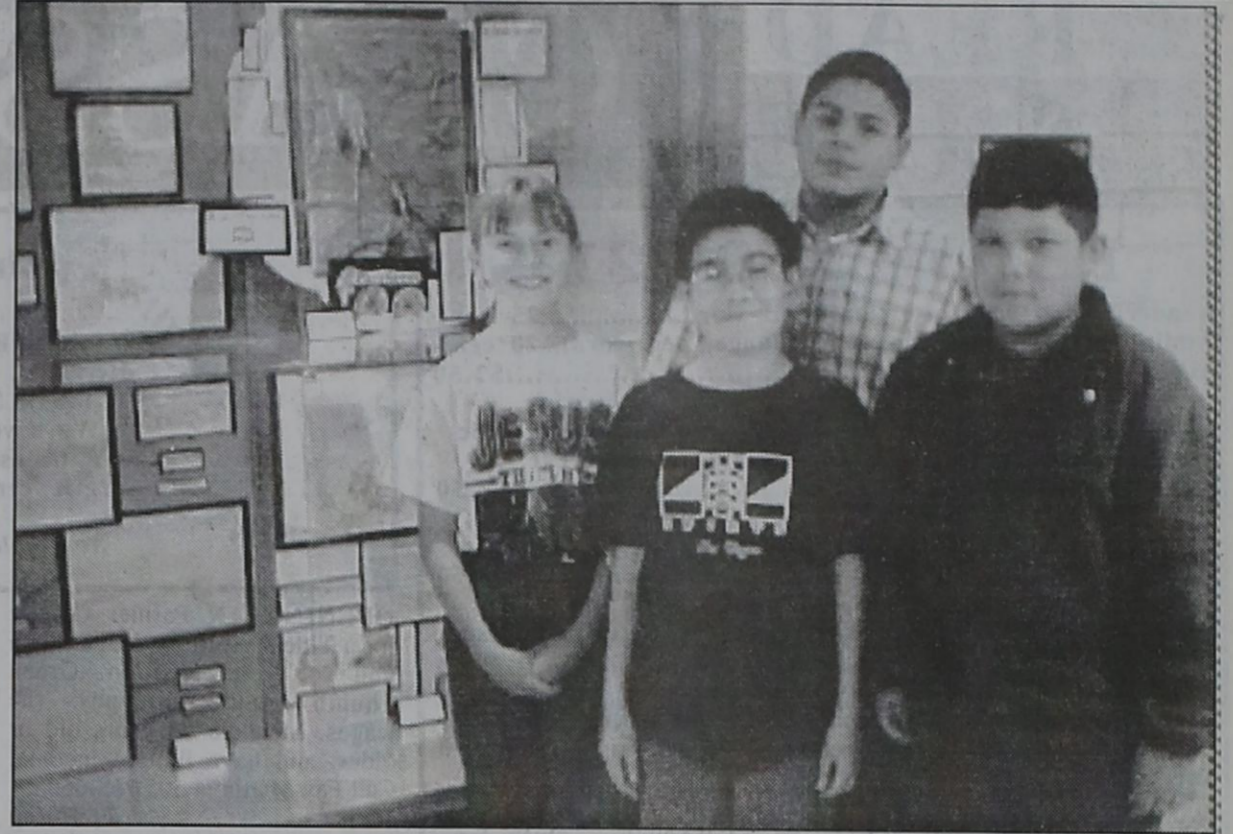
Those having "A's and B's" were:

Freshmen--Rebeca Carrillo, Victoria Carrillo, Zaide Marinelarena, Edgar Ortiz, Daniela Quintero, Eliseo Salazar and Chad Scroggins.

Sophomores--Nancy Amaya, Mayra Banuelos, Teresa Brito, Christopher Ortiz, Jolyne Ortiz, Maria Perez, Gonzalo Quintero, Adriana Ramirez, Juan Carlos Roldan and Yuri Vela.

Juniors--Sergio Antillon, Miguelina Castro, Courtney Jamerson, Josh Kerby, Carlos Moreno, Mike Olvera, Maritssa Salazar and Juan Vara.

Seniors--Alejandro Antillon, David Garcia, Lorena Hernandez, Danny Martinez and Christen Stowers.



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Apr 1 Chuck Gilbreath, Stan Miller, Evangelina Casas, Dale Gober, Rusty Venable.

Apr 2 Kristi Steelman

Apr 3 Ted Blair, Roel Robledo.

Apr 5 Joyce Read, Dickie clayton.

Apr 6 Krysta Cockerham, Magaly Anaya.

To add names to our birthday list call 251-1523.

If there are names on our list that need to be deleted due to a name change, death, moved away, etc, please let us know also. Thank you!



Easter is a great time of year when children play, families visit and Spring arrives. Bless you and your family this Easter Sunday.

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Song of Solomon 2:12

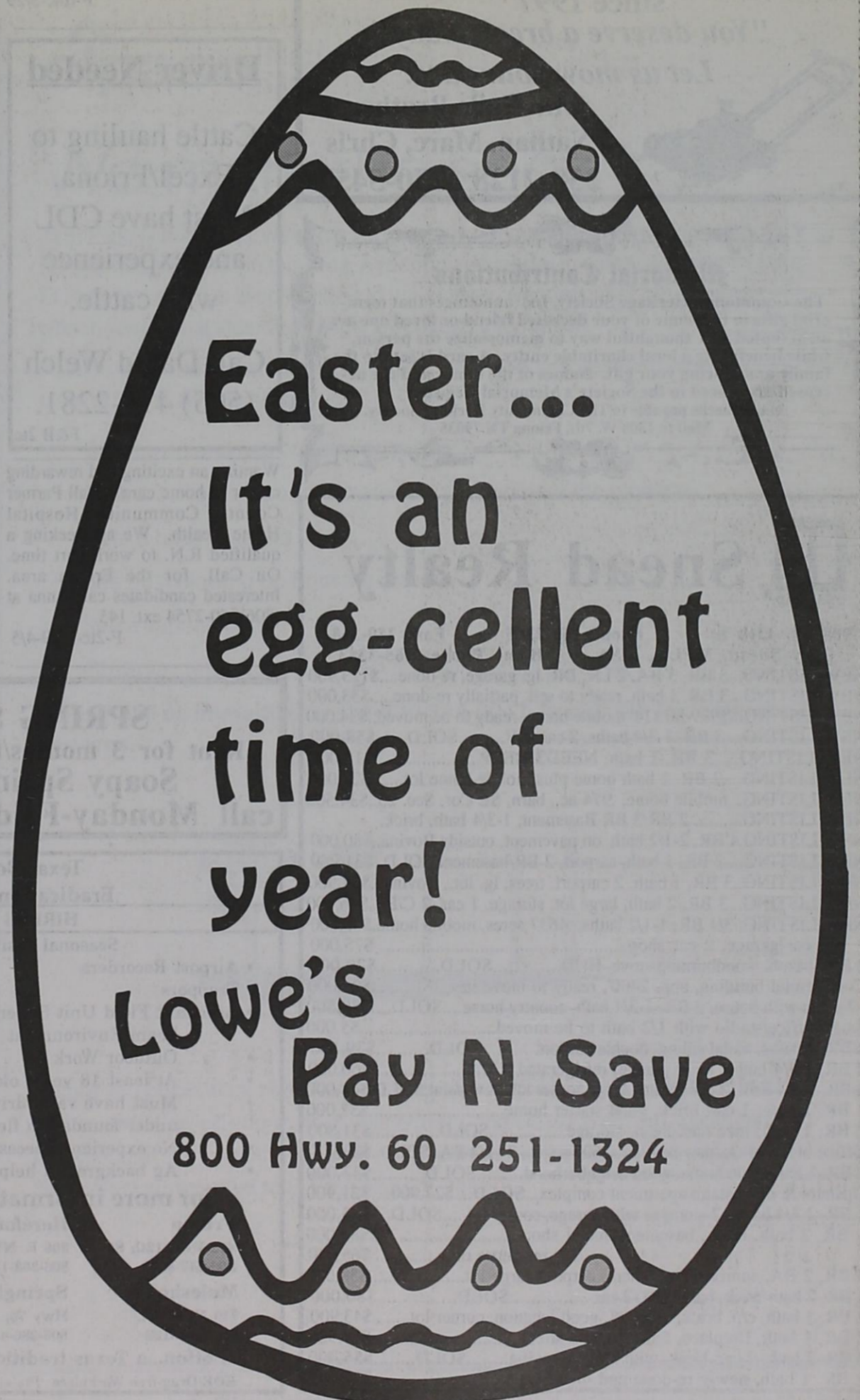


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BY BECKY

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Laverne Black, Minnie Kelso and Gwen Pryor spent a few days last week in El Paso. The ladies went sight-seeing into Juarez, Mexico and had a great time on their drive.

A few weeks ago, Laverne's daughter and son-in-law, Bettie and Charles Hartman of Memphis, Tennessee were visitors in the Black home. She and Joe especially enjoyed the company of the Hartmans' daughter and her new baby, Melanie and Miles Jordan Wilson. Little Miles wasn't quite six weeks old and the Blacks said he was a joy to be around.

Sunday afternoon Laverne's son and daughter-in-law, Joe Don and Sharon Stevens and their daughter Jennifer, all of Canyon, came to Bovina to see the out-of-

town family members.

John and Jo Blackwell and their granddaughter, Britney Montoya, 16, of Phoenix, Arizona, spent a week in Washington D.C. touring sites of interest.

They stayed with John's brother and sister-in-law, Joe and Diane Blackwell at their home in Alexandria, Virginia and took the Metro into the D.C. area daily.

A few of the attractions they toured included Arlington National Cemetery, the Smithsonian Museum, the Holocaust Museum, the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, FBI headquarters and the Library of Congress.

John, Jo and Britney visited the office of Larry Combest Wednesday, which just happened to be his birthday. They also toured

Union Station, the Lincoln, Korean and Vietnam Memorials.

Jo and Britney waited for over an hour in 22 degree temperatures one day for tickets to tour the Washington Monument, but tickets sold out when they were about the eleventh people in line.

They walked up to the White House but because of the events of September 11, it is not open for tours. They also drove by the Pentagon and were able to see where the repairs were done following the September 11 attack.

Jo said security at each site was amazing. Metal detectors were at each door and their bags were searched at most places.

All in all, the family members had a wonderful time in Washington D.C. for the week and really enjoyed all the historical places.

Elton and Marie Venable have enjoyed having their daughter, Margaret Moore of Loogootee, Indiana, in town visiting since last week. They have been to Lubbock three times visiting family members. Margaret's two sons, Logan Moore and Neil and Jennifer Moore, live there. While they were in Lubbock, the Venables and Margaret also visited with Bud and Kimbra Venable, son and daughter-in-law, of Radford and Kay.

Everyone from *The Blade* wishes you a very happy Easter. Don't forget about the annual egg hunt in the City Park for our Bovina kids, sponsored by the Lion's Club.

Let us know about your Easter weekend company. Call 238-1146 or 250-2211 and leave a message.



EXCEL FRIONA has provided jackets for the Special Olympic athletes of Parmer County. The red and black leather sleeved jackets are the type worn by high school athletes. Shown above at Excel modeling the jackets are, back, l-r Excel employees Steve Thompson, Bryan Goucher, Tony Noble, Rick White, Margaret Robinson, Tim Brown and Stephan Jean. Front, l-r, are Donna Mullins, Raul Rios, Paul Salinas, Raymond Diaz, Felissa Dominguez and Zachary Graves.

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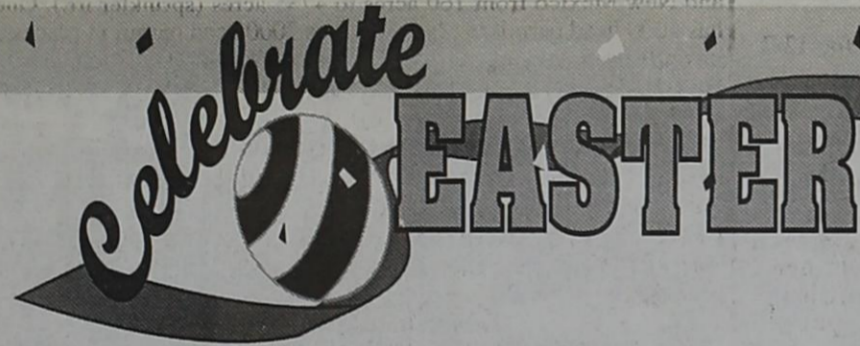
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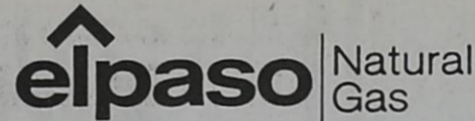
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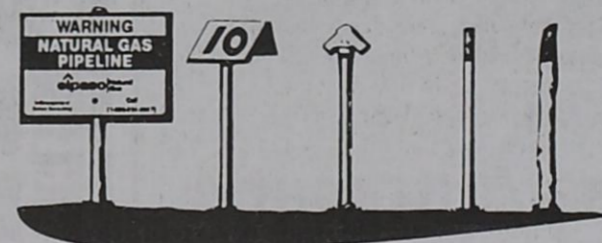
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SENIOR SPELLING BEE WINNERS...The winners of the Bovina Senior Spelling Bee are pictured here. Placings were as follows: first, Saul Martinez; second, Elizabeth Munoz; and third, Marco Castaneda.



SPELLING BEE WINNERS...Bovina Junior Spelling Bee winners include: (left to right) first, Delia Banelos; second, Hannah Miller; and third, Taylor Lane.

Boys Track Teams Make Fine Showing at Muleshoe

The Bovina boys varsity and JV track teams competed in the Muleshoe meet last Friday against 2A and 3A schools. The Mustangs were the only 1A school in the meet.

The boys had a great showing, tying for second place with Littlefield at 100 points. The boys were only 7 points out of first place. Muleshoe won the meet.

Leading the scoring was sophomore Johnathan Chisom with 28 points. He won the long jump and set a new meet record and Bovina school record in the triple jump at 42' 3 1/4".

Jake Steelman, a junior, scored 24 points, placing first in the 300m hurdles and 2nd in the 110m hurdles.

Jeremy Ortiz placed 3rd in the discus with a toss of 114' 1". Freshman Edgar Ortiz won the 2-mile run and was 3rd in the mile. Alfredo Martinez placed 4th in the 800m and 2nd in the mile.

David Garcia ran 5th in the 400m run and was a member of the mile relay that placed 5th with a time of 3:46. Coaches say this was a very good relay time for a 1A school that should do very well in district. Other mile relay runners were Sergio Salas, Johnathan Chisom and Alfredo Martinez.

Salas also placed 3rd in the long and triple jumps.

The JV boys also represented Bovina well. Jesus Martinez placed 2nd in the mile, Emelio Flores was 3rd in the 2-mile, Nemecio Rodriguez was 3rd in the long jump and triple jump.

The mile relay team of Rodriguez, Chad Scroggins, Eliseo Salazar and Daniel Cecenas had a 7th place showing.

Chad Scroggins placed 7th in the 800m run. A nice surprise came from Jose Valadez who volunteered to run the mile with no prior training and placed 8th.

The 7th and 8th grade competed Saturday in Muleshoe. David Perez threw the shot put 45' which is a new school record by 2-feet. He also set a new school record in the discus with a throw of 119'.

Saul Martinez also broke an old school record for discus at 106'. Then, Luis Muniz had a discus throw that would have broken the record too as he tossed over 111'. The old school record for junior high was 104'.

David Carrillo won both the 300m hurdles and triple jump. Isai Saucedo placed 2nd in the mile; Alfie Espinoza placed 5th in the pole vault and 3rd in the 200m run; and Luis Gonzales placed 3rd in the mile.

Cornelio Ortiz was 2nd in the mile and Orlando Espinoza placed 3rd in the



JAKE STEELMAN, right, in the 110m hurdles. Photo courtesy of Clovis News Journal

300m hurdles and 4th in the pole vault.

Coaches said the mid-school boys did an excellent job considering they were also competing against 3A and 4A schools.

Hard work should give them a good chance at the district title this year.

Hospice Group Being Formed Here

Crown of Texas Hospice will present a Hospice education series, "Hospice: Living Life to the Fullest," for residents of the area who are interested in forming a group.

"Gaining deeper insights into end-of-life care can help all of us live better lives today," said a spokesman for Crown of Texas.

Those interested in attending the classes are urged to contact D'Ann Berry at 1-800 572-6365, or (806) 372-7696. Ms. Berry can also be e-mailed at dberry@crownoftexas-hospice.com.

The series will be offered

as a community service to anyone interested in volunteering or learning more about end-of-life care. A minimum of ten people is required for the classes to be held.

It is planned to hold the training classes in Friona on Mondays and Thursdays from 1-5 p.m. Those interested are urged to contact Ms. Berry at their earliest convenience, in order to firm up the classes.

Crown of Texas Hospice is committed to providing competent, compassionate and comprehensive care for terminally ill patients and their families.

The organization is dedicated to attaining the highest degree of Hospice and/or palliative care in the Crown of Texas area. "Our respect for human dignity is supported and enhanced by a highly trained, compassionate staff," a spokesperson said.

"We foster supportive and effective working relationships among our staff, physicians, volunteers and the community, using an interdisciplinary approach to care. We aspire to nurture health, healing, living, comfort and peace, while celebrating the last days of life," it was stated.

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