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ASSOCIATION The Boulera Blade FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 1997

As of Nov. 20, 1997 36,379

bales of cotton had been ginned in Parmer County. Bovina Blade survey



MELISSA CANO

Cano Places In State Meet

Melissa Cano went to Round Rock for the state cross country meet last week. Out of over 100 runners, Melissa brought back this medal for her very impressive eighth place finish.

FB Leader Finally Wins First Place!

Week eleven proved to be Bovina Blade Football Contest cash first prize of \$20.

Jessica correctly picked correctly picks a tie! ten games of sixteen. Three other contestants, Travis Lockmiller, Dorothy Harris and Frances Johnson also picked ten games correctly.

Jessica missed the Perryton vs. Denver City, White Deer vs. Canadian, Notre Dame vs. LSU, Auburn vs. Georgia, Philadelphia vs. Baltimore (TIE) and Oakland

vs. San Diego games. The Dallas 17-Washington 14 tie-breaker game was no worry for Jessica. She For Sunday predicted the final score to be 17-10--Right on the money! She received \$20 for her

Lockmiller was seven points off the tie breaker score. He received second place and \$10.

Dorothy was twelve points off the Dallas score and received third place and \$5.

Frances was twenty-one points off the final score and she missed-out on the weekly

Because the Philadelphia a surprise for contest players vs. Baltimore game was tied, with many upsets and a tied everyone missed it. The professional game that Eagles and Ravens played a everyone missed. There are complete over time and only two more weeks in the neither team scored so the game ended in a tie. In the and Jessica Stowers, the total Blade contest, contestants can point leader of each week, pick a "tie" instead of a team, has finally won the weekly but no one did. The Blade will pay \$10 to anyone who

Nine contestants correctly picked nine games. They were Jo Blackwell, Peggy Hargrove, David Miles, Louis Mejia, Carmen Porras, Janie Sherbon, Dorothy Stowers, Robert Tapia and Frances

Thanksgiving Services Set

Community Thanksgiving services will be held at First United Methodist Church this

Sunday evening at 7 p.m. Brother Gary Morgan, pastor of First Baptist Church, will be preaching and Father Edward Kieran of St. Ann's Catholic Church and Rev. Neely Landrum, pastor of First United Methodist Church will participate in the services.

Fellowship will follow. An offering will be taken and given to the Community Benevolence Fund. Everyone is invited.



Bovina ISD will be closed November 26, 27 & 28 in observance of Thanksgiving. Classes will resume on Monday, December 1.

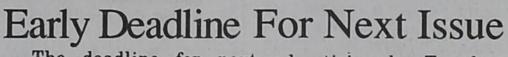
Bovina City Hall will be closed on Thursday, November 27 and Friday, November 28 in observance of the holiday.



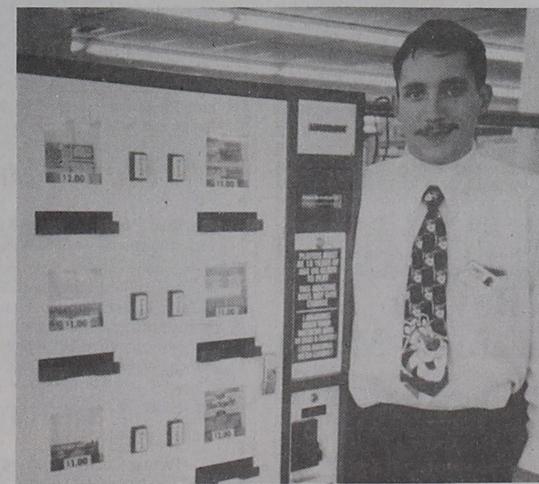
AMANDA SMITH

Is Student Of The Week

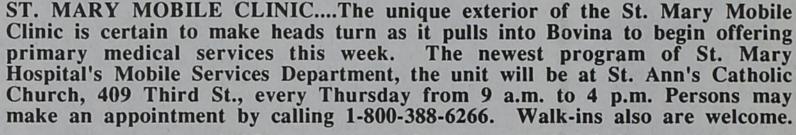
She was described as a cooperative, hardworking,



The deadline for next advertising by Tuesday in week's Bovina Blade will be order to be included. early, due to the Newspapers will be Thanksgiving holidays. We mailed and available in your news and newsstands Friday.



EASY DOES IT.....Pay-N-Save employee John Schlenker points out a scratch-off lottery ticket vending machine the store installed recently. Customers can use up to a \$20 bill to get tickets from the machine. But beware! The sign says "This machine does not give change." (Ron Carr Photo)



Sheriff's Office Offers Tips For Holiday Safety

•Be careful about putting

· Contact the local law

·Leave external lights on

enforcement agency--Farwell,

Bovina, Friona and Sheriff's

Office--when your home will

be vacant for an extended

Christmas tree in front of a

windows are locked.

amount of time.

vacant.

The Parmer County Sheriff's Office is reminding everyone that the holidays season has approached once again and that means people will be traveling and purchasing gifts for those special occasions and special persons.

People tend to be more vunerable during this the holiday season. We in law enforcement tend to see an increase in residential burglaries during this time of

With this in mind, the Parmer County Sheriff's Office would like to give citizens of Parmer County a few reminders to keep this

holiday season a joyful celebration. ·Person's living out in the country should be on the lookout for any vehicles that are unknown or are suspicious to the area. If such a vehicle

is spotted contact the Sheriff's Office with the following information-model, make, color and location, if possible. Amanda Smith

Nominated by teachers Carolyn Beauchamp and Judy Jennings, senior Amanda Smith was selected as student-of-the-week.

pleasant, good student. She is active in Mustang

Band, earning all-region in 1997. She is a Fillie varsity basketball player and sent a "key of success" to Austin with Melissa Cano last weekend.

picture window especially your home without being those families who live out in spotted. the county. This is an ·Leave an interior light invitation for a burglar who on. Have a friend turn might believe there are lots of different lights on each night. If a person is watching your •When leaving home, make sure all doors and home this gives the illusion that someone is home. ·Have serial numbers of •Tell a close neighbor valuables and have pictures that your home will be for identification.

around the entry ways. This

will make it more difficult for

a burglar to gain entry into

Nothing you do will keep a crook from becoming a crook but we need to take what steps we can to protect our neighbors from being victims in an ongoing battle with crime.

Have a safe and happy around the home especially holiday season!

TURKEY TIME....Some of the youngsters in Mrs. Cargile's Kindergarten Class gather round their Autumn wall decoration to remind us all that it will soon be time for Thanksgiving. Standing at left are Katie Chavez and Corbin Holmon. Others left to right are: Stephano Orozco, Emilia Confreras, Chastity Castillo, and Patrick Espinosa.



TOP READERS......The top point earners for the second six weeks at Bovina Middle School were Angela Villarreal, Jolyne Ortiz, and Sarah Morgan. These three young ladies out-read principal Robert Rumph to earn chances on a grand prize drawing for a stereo at the end of the year.



students Stephanie Tamez and Travis Stanberry were guests of the Bovina Lion's Club for lunch in November. The club honors two students each month.

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By Bill Ellis

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FRIONA'S BI-DISTRICT football game last Friday night was played in absolutely the worst weather conditions that Ye Editor ever witnessed, and Carol will attest that the only thing that has kept Y.E. from missing a Friday evening's football game (even

while we were dating) has been hospitalization, a death in our extended family, eye

surgery, etc., etc. In fact, I had put off scheduling a cataract/cornea

transplant surgery, advised in early August, until the playoffs were over. I had hoped to delay it at least another month. We covered a Bovina bi-district game against Wheeler, played in Amarillo some years back that was played in extra

cold weather, and we've been to a couple of games at Dimmitt late in the season, where there was some snow on the ground. But last Friday's game had the snow and ice, with a heavy mist/light sleet falling for most of the game. The chill factor was below zero. It was a bitter, bitter evening.

The wonder of it all was that Friona lost only one fumble in the entire game. Seminole's ball-carriers were separated from the ball six times, with Friona recovering three. One of these was on the Indians' first play from scrimmage, when Sammy Perez alertly picked up the live ball and ran for a touchdown, to give the Chieftains (who had just driven for a score) an early 12-0 lead.

Personally, Ye Ed can't figure out why there weren't two dozen fumbles, with the game being played in those conditions. We felt that the bitter cold and wind limited Friona's excellent passing game, even though sure-handed Angel Vega made one of his patented catches on the 65-yard pass-and-run TD play in the second half.

Gentleman that he is, Friona coach James Morton wouldn't blame the weather on Friona's loss. "Usually, adverse weather turns what would have been an offensive battle into a defensive one. The fact that there were two explosive teams on the field was underscored by their offensive output in spite

of the weather," Morton said. Chieftains, you have had a great season. 10-1 figures out to be 91 percent wins. Your two-year record of 23-3 also topnotch. It may be that your two-year mark of 23 wins is more games than had ever been won in three straight seasons!

LITTLE BITS of wisdom: "In the land of the blind, the

one-eyed man is king.

We saw a sign while going through Pampa recently. A small home-owned "hamburger joint" (how long has it been since you heard that term?), displayed a sign that reads: "Over 12 Dozen Sold!"

As long as there are consumers like the "Good Old Boy's" better half, America's economy has nothing to worry about! Ask her about her new buck-wheat filled pillow.

REFLECTIONS

...from the files of The Bovina Blade

40 Yrs Ago-Nov. 23, 1957
Evelyn Joyce Steelman, a senior student at West Texas State College, Canyon, and a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Amos Steelman, Bovina, began practice teaching in the local school on Monday.

Hampered, oddly enough, by pretty weather, Bovina Lions Club members sold \$651 worth of brooms, mops and other merchandise during the annual broom sale which was conducted Friday.

Dick Horn, Bovina Mustang quarterback, was named a member of the All-District 3-B first team.

Parmer and other counties in this vicinity followed the West Texas trend in increasing population, nonfarm employment and factory jobs in 1956.

Many farmers hopped on the sesame band wagon this year, as they continued their search for new and more profitable field crops.

Bovina Church of Christ will observe formal opening of the new building Sunday afternoon. Announcement of the special activities was made this week by Don Stone, minister of the church. Some 400 people are expected to attend.

Winter time, 1962-63 version, unreeled its most severe blast of the season here over the weekend and into this week. The snow was estimated at two inches.

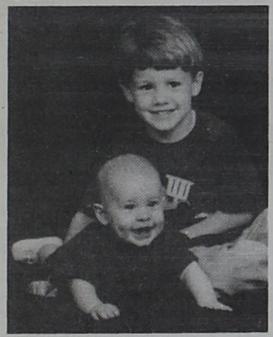
Two men, Julian Hernandez, 32, Bovina, and Paul Gene Graham, 23, South Prince Street, Clovis, were killed in a head-on crash early Saturday morning on U.S. Highway 60, three and one-half miles northeast of Farwell.

The Running Water Draw Watershed project cleared a legal hurdle in Parmer County on Tuesday when the commisioner's court tentatively agreed to act as co-sponsor of the project.

Superior Electric Co. was moved to a new l ation. The business is now h sed in the building formerly upied by Combs Grocery o Main Street.

30 Yrs Ago-Nov. 22, 1967

Bids from three contractors were opened here Friday for the proposed Bovina Medical Clinic before members of the building committee, temporary executive committee and James W. Dopperman of Sears-Roebuck Foundation.



BIRTHDAY BOYS ... Kale and Derek Sudderth recently celebrated both their birthdays with a party in their home in Austin. Kale is one and Derek is five-years-old. About thirty friends and relatives enjoyed a brisket dinner, birthday cake and ice cream. The boys are the sons of Del Ray and Linda Sudderth. Their grandparents are Glenden and Janie Sudderth of Bovina and Nelda and Duane Dybdahl of Austin. Great-grandmother is Obereta Sudderth of Bovina.

Happy Birthday

Birthdays for the week of November 23-29.

Nov 23-Steve Cockerham, Amos Steelman.

Monday at s Christy's teacher, Mrs. I gave everyone a s

Nov 25-Frank Galvan, Kris Galvan. Nov 26-Tony Bob Eng-

Nov 26-Tony Bob Englant, Oma Lee George. Nov 27-Lowell Primrose,

Angela Englant.
Nov 28-Dean Stanberry,
Jay Holman.

Nov 29-Anthony Ramon.
To add a friend or relative to our birthday roster, call 238-1523 or write Drawer B, 79009.

Kenneth Howard of Denton will begin work here Tuesday of next week as combination man-in-charge of Bovina for General Telephone

Seaman Recruit Glendel
W. Davies, USN, son of Mrs.
Mildred M. Davies, Bovina,
has been graduated from nine
weeks of Navy basic training
at the Great Lakes Naval
Training Center.

The Teenage Club continues to send The Bovina Blade to Bovina boys who are serving in the Armed Forces in Vietnam.

25 Yrs Ago-Nov. 22, 1972

Mustang mentor Roger
Ezell sat in his office at
Williford Gym Monday,
reminisced about the just past
football season, his first as
head coach, and looked
forward to the future.

Mrs. Eldon Thatcher of 905 Ridgelea Drive and her niece, Toby Bandy of Bovina, narrowly escaped serious injury about 7 p.m. last night when their car struck a double-deck cattle truck at the intersection of Highway 86 and FM 1731.

the special activities was made this week by Don Stone, minister of the church. Some 400 people are expected to attend.

Winter time, 1962-63 Mrs. A.L. Kerby, treasurer of the Bovina Booster Club, reported the organization had spent approximately \$1540 on new equipment since school began.

Mrs. Ben C. Rejino of Bovina, a member of St. Ann's Catholic Church here, was named Woman of the Year Tuesday night of last week at the Amarillo Diocese Council of Catholic Women Convention at Christ the King Catholic Church in Lubbock. * * * *

Billy Whitecotton, longtime participant in the Bovina Businesses Football contest, rang the bell with eleven correct predictions this past week and claimed first place in the weekly contest.

Pete Polston, Jr., Wayland Ba manager of Hobo's of Plainview.

Restaurant, told the Blade last Friday that the restaurant will be closed permanently, going out of business as of Saturday, November 26.

15 Yrs Ago-Nov. 24, 1982
The Bovina Medical
Board has been approached
with the idea of having oneday dental service at the
clinic.

Billy Shepherd was the winner of this week's football

Brenda and Randy Kirkpatrick recently made a trip of 2,100 miles in six days vacationing in the northwest.

J.T. and Tessie Jones are great-grandparents for the first time this week and the child was named Chelsey Dawn. * * * *

The district 2-A all-district teams were announced this week, and true to form, the three co-champions, Anton, Bovina and Farwell, shared equally in the number of selections, with 14 each. The Mustangs landed four spots on the first team offense, three on the first team defensively.

Pheasant season in Parmer County will be held December 12-26, according to Jack Patterson.

The Bovina seventh and eighth grade girls teams each scored a victory Monday night against Lazbuddie. The seventh graders won their game, 32-19. The eighth graders won by a final score of 25-11.

Don Murphy was elected to serve on the Texas Baptist Boards during the annual meeting of the 2.5 million-member Baptist General Convention of Texas in Corpus Christi, November 9-10. He was elected to serve on the board of trustees of Wayland Baptist University of Plainview.

Charlotte Rumph Wins Student Writing Contest

Bovina Elementary fifth grader, Charlotte Rumph, recently won second place of 78 other entries in the Division I Student Writing Contest sponsored by the Panhandle Authors for Literacy.

Charlotte is the daughter of Robert and Johnnie Rumph.

Her entry, a short story fiction, is titled Kids: Different Outsides, Same

It had been a hard week for Christy Singer. The flight from Sydney, Australia to Amarillo, Texas made her exhausted. In the seven days since her grandfather's death, they had packed all of their possessions because they had decided to move back to the states to be with her grandmother. Her dad's professional career as an opera singer allowed them to live anywhere they pleased.

In the fall when Christy started fifth grade, all of her classmates thought she was weird because of her Australian accent. When the students teased her she tried to ignore it.

But one day she just could not stand it any longer. She said to her mom, "I don't have any friends. They all make fun of me. They laugh at dad's job and our last

"I know it's hard honey," said Mom, "but you've got to understand that when people tease you, usually they don't feel good about themselves. So they tease you just to make themselves feel better."

If only we had kept our puppy Spanky. If only we hadn't left him in Australia. Then at least I'd have one friend, thought Christy.

Monday at school Christy's teacher, Mrs. Mullin, gave everyone a special assignment. They were supposed to write a report about a country or continent. Christy almost immediately decided to do her report on Australia. She was so devoted to making it perfect that she would stay up past

on Friday, Christy presented her report to the class. Everyone was really impressed with it. They



CHARLOTTE RUMPH

didn't realize that there were so many interesting facts about Australia. They found out that its called the "Land Down Under" because it's the only continent totally below the equator. They also learned that a region of Australia is called the "Outback," just like their favorite restaurant.

At recess some girls played with Christy. One of them even apologized. "Man did we judge you wrong. We thought you were stuck up because you had a lot of money. We are really sorry," she said. Christy finally had friends and she could not stop talking about them!

The transition of moving to Amarillo was finally completed on Christmas morning. Christy woke up to something licking her. When she opened her eyes she couldn't believe her eyes!

"Now I have everything I could possibly hope for."

Bovina ISD Lunch Menu

week of November 24-25
er, Mrs. Mullin,
ne a special
They were tossed salad and assorted salad

*TUESDAY - Pig in a blanket, pinto beans and carrot

*WEDNESDAY-Holiday!
*THURSDAY- Thanks-

giving Day!

*FRIDAY- Holiday!

*Hamburger basket

*FRIDAY- Holiday!

*Hamburger basket or sandwich bar is an alternate choice each day.

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Allen's Of Amarillo

Celia Allen-Owner

Allen's of Amarillo is the place to go for one of the largest selections of wedding gowns, formals, bridesmaids' dresses and tuxedos. They are located in Amarillo at 1002 S. Georgia, phone (806) 376-9359 or 1-800-622-0941. They have wedding apparel specialists familiar with the latest styles and fashions in bridal gowns, gowns for bridesmaid, flower girls, formals and headpieces. They can help you with arrangement plans and give you timely advice concerning weddings. We in this Review recommend the services of this distinctive bridal shoppe and suggest you visit them "for the most important dress you'll ever wear." They wish all a Happy Thanksgiving.

Mental Health Resources, Inc.

This well known mental health treatment center, located at 919 Rencher in Clovis, phone (505) 769-2345, is known throughout this area as a place where expert mental health, alcohol or drug abuse attention can be had at a moment's notice. When you or any member of your family needs care, you want to be sure that you are getting the best to be had. Mental Health Resources takes great pride in their staff and may be credited with helping many people. They have at their disposal the latest in treatment modalities and facilities, which enables them to diagnose and treat illnesses properly. You also have the assurance that they employ a highly skilled and experienced staff. This is a factor that is most important. We recommend Mental Health Resources to all our readers. They wish all a Happy and Healthy Thanksgiving.

Howard & Sons, Inc.

Howard & Sons, located on Grady Highway North in Clovis, phone (505) 762-0192, mobile (505) 763-2313, is considered to be the area's #1 well driller. The many wells they have drilled throughout the area, residents report outstanding results. No matter what type of drilling is to be done, they can do it. Howard & Sons takes special pains to insure that your well will serve you reliably and productively. They use the latest equipment and have been drilling wells for homeowners, irrigators and municipalities. Their knowledge is what you get when you hire them to drill your well. When you want the best job be sure to call them. Remember the best is the least expensive in the long run. They wish all a Happy Thanksgiving.

Buena Vista Nursing & Retirement Center

People of West Texas and Eastern New Mexico can find the best care for those they care for when they learn first hand of the extensive facilities at Buena Vista Nursing & Retirement Center, located at 1501 West 7th St. in Clovis, phone (505) 763-5335. Seniors who have reached the age of retirement and prefer the company of their own generation can find here the kind of pleasant relaxed atmosphere they've spent most of their lives earning. Twenty-four hour nursing care, physicians and pharmacists available. Respite care and a healthy diet for all residents including special diets. This is just a part of the services featured here where they add yars to their lives and LIFE TO THEIR YEARS. Programmed activities available. You will find that your loved ones will receive the best care here. They wish all a Healthy and Happy Thanksgiving.

Western Ford Lincoln-Mercury, Inc.

If you are considering a new car go to Western Ford Lincoln-Mercury. Careful consumers in the area have come to rely on them where deals are made so the customer will be happy and return when buying again. This dealership is located at 550 N. 25 Mile Rd. in Hereford, phone (806) 364-3673 or 1-800-900-2425. They carry the complete line-up of famous Ford, Lincoln and Mercury. If you are not ready for a new car, select from one of the area's finest assortments of quality used units. Either way, you get their famous service after the sale. They feature a complete repair department as well as parts and accessories. They're the area's "fully equipped dealership"! When you are out looking for a new car, make them your FIRST stop...it just might be your LAST. They wish all a Happy Thanksgiving.

McCormick Seeds, Inc.

For the very best in certified and selected seed you only have to call McCormick Seeds the seed experts, phone (806) 272-3156 or go by their business at 400 E. Ash Ave. in Muleshoe. They are retail distributors for the highest quality certified and selected seed in the trade area. Farmers in this part of the state depend on these high quality seeds, along with their own special care of field preparation, fertilizers, insecticides and pesticides to produce the very highest yield per dollar spent. Whether it's certified wheat, alfalfa, grain sorghum, forage sorghum, forage millet--or even specially stressed varieties--they have it. Many leading growers stake their profit on the quality, high yield seeds from this firm. We in this trade area Review are happy to recommend this seed distributor to all our readers!

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Make American Valley on Hwy. 84 W. in Muleshoe, phone (806) 272-4266, YOUR IRRIGATION HEADQUARTERS. When the unexpected happens--this well known fim is equipped and ready to help. The dependability and economy of the engine itself is outstanding and equally important is the dependability and economy of the service on these systems. This firm is ready to serve you 24 hours a day. Let one of their representatives help you with complete planning, installation and service, including an irrigation system from this firm can reduce the gamble concerning rainfall, giving you the assurance of production results. These experienced people will advise you where irrigation is practical and recommend an efficient, economical system using just the right combination of pump and power for your needs. We happily recommend this firm to our progressive minded readers. See them first--information and estimates without obligation on a Valley Irrigation System that benefits you in many ways. They wish all a very Happy Thanksgiving.

Muleshoe Area Home Helath Agency

Muleshoe Area Home Health Agency in Muleshoe at 708 S. First St., phone (806) 272-3346 or 1-800-770-MAMC(6262)) is dedicated to serving you and providing the finest in compassionate and personalized home health care. The bedside care and treatment they offer includes: in-home health care, skilled nursing, home health aides, social services, rehabilitation, physical and speech therapists, IV therapy, 24 hour service and provides care to patients on Medicare and Medicaid, private insurance and other payment sources. We suggest if you need quality home health care or professional nursing service that you call and find out more about this outstanding and concerned service. We in this trade area Review are pleased to recommend them. They are there when you need them. They wish all a happy and healthy Thanksgiving.

Fred Van Winkle's IGA Supercenter

Fred Van Winkle's IGA Supercenter in Portales, located at 501 W. 18th, phone (505) 356-4036, can save you money and still give you quality products in exchange. At this fine store you will find a tremendous value in every department. They offer quality meats, popular priced canned goods, fruits and vegetables, along with a full service deli, in-house bakery, pharmacy, liquor department, film developing and an extended health and beauty aide department and much more in general merchandise. You can shop at this friendly store where fresh quality foods are coupled with cheerful service to make your grocery shopping a pleasure, not a chore. Become a regular customer at Fred Van Winkle's IGA Supercenter in Portales and count your savings. They wish all a Happy Thanksgiving.

Parmer County Spraying Service

Parmer County Spraying Service in Tharp is known to the farmers who do business with them as the "Top Notch" aerial application for agricultural chemicals, seed and fertilizer in this farming district, saving them hundreds of dollars in crop loss. Area farmers can be assured that they will do the job right. To phone (806) 225-4990 is to talk to a man "IN THE KNOW." He will inform you about the right application for better crop production, the best possible time it can be done, and at a minimum of cost. He has logged many hours of flying time and flies only modern, up-to-date aircraft equipped with flow control meters, parallel tracking and guidance systems. Remember, crop protection from disease and pests is one of the best methods of increasing yield. Don't delay, call today for more information. They will show you the way to more profit. They wish all a Happy Thanksgiving.

K. Oliver Is Buried In Amarillo

Graveside services for Keith Oliver, 77, of Friona are scheduled for Friday, November 21 at Memory Gardens Cemetery in Amarillo with Rev. Don Boren, pastor of First United Methodist Church of Friona officiating Burial will be officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home.

Oliver died November 19, 1997 at Parmer County

Community Hospital. He was born November 29, 1919 in Fannin County, Texas. He married Wanda Roberts March 10, 1946 in Bellflower, California.

Oliver was a member of the Methodist Church. He was a member of the Marine Raider Association, of the VFW, the American Legion and the Telephone Company

Pioneers of America.

He retired in 1983 from
Pacific Bell Telephone Company of California after thirty-five years. He served in the U.S. Marines during WWII. He lived in Friona since April 1985 moving from Anahaim California Anaheim, California.

Survivors include his wife, Wanda Oliver of Friona; a daughter, Renee King of Garden Grove, California; two grandchildren, Darcy and Autumn King and one great-grandchild, Juliet King.



JOE LAFUENTE

Lafuente Is Local Classic Rep

Classic Cable announced the hiring of Joe Lafuente from Friona as a Custmer Service Representative in its Friona Office which recently opened and is located at 701 Euclid.

"We are excited to have joins the Classic Cable family," commented Bob Versace, Southern regional Manager, "his impact on the company's ability to take care of its customers will be immediate."



AMERICAN VALLEY, INC. of Hereford was honored in Omaha, Nebraska during Valmont Irrigation's Regional Sales Meeting. Pictured are (left to right) Doug Dale, territory manager, Valmont Irrigation; Rex Harris, American Valley, Inc.; and Joe Goecke, president, Valmont Irrigation.

Valmont Irri. Honors Brooke Pipe & Supply

Valmont Irrigation has dealers and why our dealers announced that Guy Brooke are the best in the business." of Brooke Pipe & Supply in Hereford, earned the Parts and Service Quality Circle Award. The award was presented at the company's regional sales meeting in Omaha Nabraska Omaha, Nebraska.

Jim Eiting, vice president of sales at Valmont Irrigation, says the award is based on customer satisfaction.

"Our customer surveys show that the quality of their dealer is one of the farmer's most important considerations in the buying decision," he adds. "At our meeting, we shared information on new remote control technology, 'smart computer' controls, advanced water conservation practices and other ways to increase profits for irrigators.

"The local dealer plays a critical role in bringing new ideas to market by delivering information, technology and service to the producer. That is why Valmont is dedicated to providing education programs for our Valley

Courthouse Notes

Joe grew up in Friona Instrument Report Ending and graduated from Friona November 12, 1997, Parmer High School. County, Texas, Bonnie County, Texas, Bonnie Warren, County Clerk

WD, Eric D. Sitzenstatter, Ralph Shelton, undivided int. 80 acres of 160 A in SE 1/4 of S10 Synd. "C"

Valmont Irrigation is the world's leading manufacturer of mechanized irrigation equipment. For more than forty years, Valley products have been enhancing food production while conserving and protecting natural resources. Valmont has sold over 100,000 Valley center pivots and linear machines worldwide, irrigating roughly ten million acres in more than 90 countries.

Comptroller Gives Nov. Tax Rebates

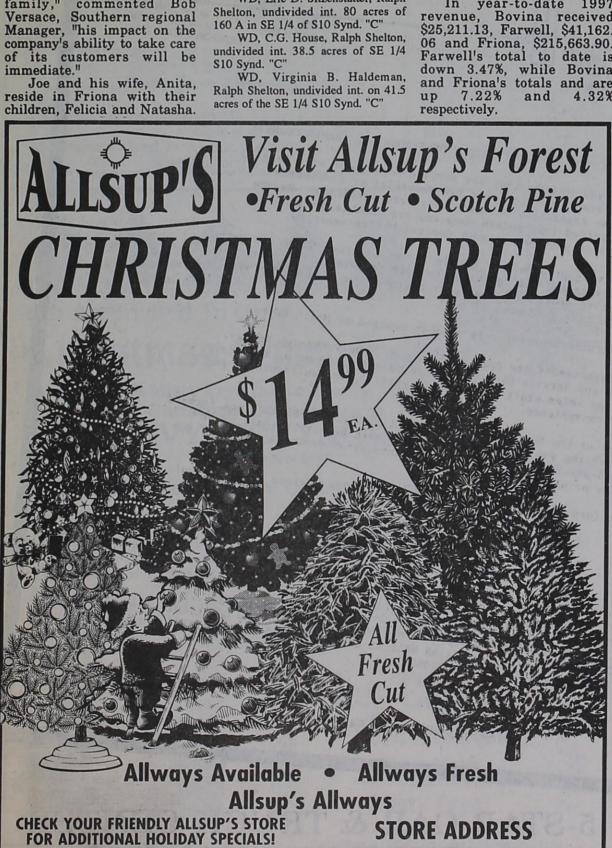
Comptroller of Public Accounts John Sharp has delivered tax rebates for the November period to Texas Counties.

Total payment received for Parmer County was \$34, 016.73, broken down as follows: Bovina received \$2,891.11, Farwell received \$4,124.87, and Friona received \$27,000.75.

For the same period last year, the total county receipt was \$24,845.09, which is a 36.91% increase in 1997.

Payments to date in 1997 of \$282,037.09 compared to \$272,870.57 in 1996 are a 3.35% increase.

In year-to-date 1997 revenue, Bovina received \$25,211.13, Farwell, \$41,162. 06 and Friona, \$215,663.90. Farwell's total to date is down 3.47%, while Bovina and Friona's totals and are 7.22% and 4.32%



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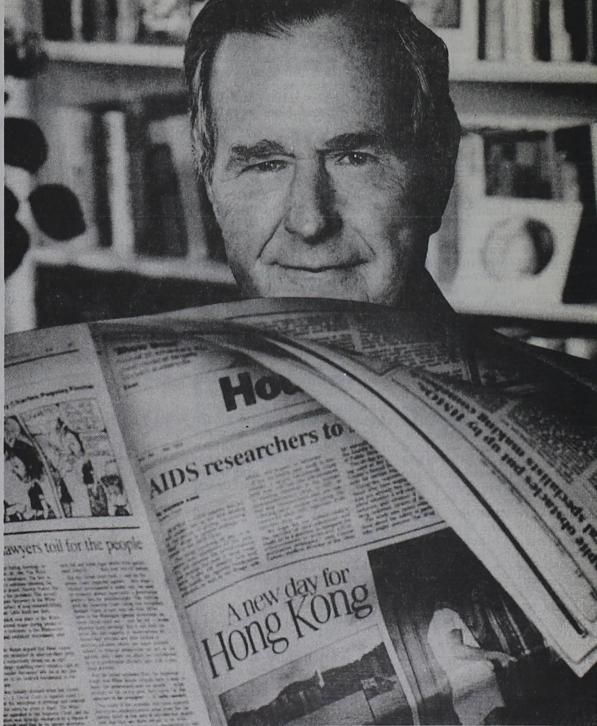
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Friona Star/Bovina Blade

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Out Here

By RON CARR



"Yes I did." "Yes it was." I gave those two replies often last weekend. They questions everyone seemed to

"Did you go to the cast booth. ballgame?" "Was it cold?" I heade

In preparation for winter, a few weeks ago I bought some Long Johns, extra thick socks, turtleneck, and a long sleeved red shirt. Friday night I wore almost all of it. I am a cold weather all Friona fans.

weenie. Do not even like snowflakes, icicles, or wind chill.

At the insistence of "Momma Carol" Ellis, me and old Bill scurried around for a ride to Levelland. No way, she said, should us two old geezers drive in that weather, especially her car.

Truth is, we didn't want to set out on icy roads ourselves. So we found a good samaritan. D.A.R.E. officer Roy Don Smith and his wife Carol came to our rescue. We loaded our gear into the Smith's van about 4:30 p.m., stretched out and headed for Lobo Field in Levelland.

It was time for Bill to plan our eating strategy. Forget that there was a couple of inches of ice and snow and the wind chill was below zero, nothing like food to warm the soul.

Besides we needed to talk about something to keep our mind off Roy Don's driving. (Just kiddin', Roy. You done good. We appreciate the ride.)

Bill had called a friend in Levelland about a restaurant called The Spot. It was closed for remodeling. He suggested a nice home style place, The Bounty. Gave us directions. When we finally arrived a little after 6 p.m. at The Bounty, it had already closed.

Next door was Savannah's Mexican food place. The joint was full, half of them Friona fans.

Some of the Friona folks went out to their vehicles and brought their winter clothes inside the restaurant to change. Can't have too many clothes and nachos on a night like Friday.

ballpark. Overcast with icy air and a steady icy mist of half sleet, half snow.

Lobo Field is a nice sta-

roomy press box on the home side, which tonight belonged to Seminole. Bill and his sonwere the answers to two in-law Noel headed over there to join Mike Hutson and Clint Mears in the Chieftain broad-

> I headed to the sideline. camera bag in tow, wondering if this was such a good idea. At the entrance gate, Jerry and Cindy Butman were handing out comp-limentary red knit gloves to

The gloves were red, with WT Services and Go Chiefs imprinted on them, a thoughtful touch by our newest Friona business, WT Services, for whom Cindy Butman will

be office manager.

When I finally made it to the field, I was glad to see how many Friona fans filled the stands. You couldn't see much but faces underneath the blankets and hoods, but they were all there, supporting the boys.

Imagine my surprise to find five industrial strength electric heaters blowing warm air along the Chieftain sideline. I figured at least I could keep my fingers and toes functional.

Little did I know that fellow photographer Don Spring and I would use the heat throughout the game to try and keep our cameras working.

Yes, it was so cold the shutter froze after only a few minutes, maybe 3-4 pictures. then thaw out the camera.

I normally take 2-3 rolls of 36-shot film at a Chieftain game. This night I would manage one roll, plus about 12 shots on a second one.

How cold was it? Mascot Tammy Spencer burned the knee off her outer layer of clothes on one of the heaters. Team manager Ronald Diaz got a gloved hand too close to the heat and melted it. Neither were hurt.

How cold was it? For the first time this year, there was not a line at the women's restroom at half time. Some ladies said too many clothes, too much trouble.

The concession stand, It was heavy cold at the operated by the Levelland Lobos boosters, was selling coffee for \$1.00 a cup as fast as they could sell it.

Upstairs, Mike and Clint dium. There was a big and Bill and Noel were in a

booth behind a glass. That's the good news. The bad news is the booth wasn't heated. The glass kept fogging up. If you watched the video Saturday, you saw Mike Hutson's expert wiping motion to keep the camera

area clear after every play. How cold was it? The band didn't march and for most of the game didn't play either. The valves on the brass instruments froze. The drums kept the crowd spirit up as best they could.

None of this, though, seemed to seriously effect the players. After all, there were 81 points scored in the game despite the conditions. We led all the way. Were never behind until the overtime

Only twice were the Chieftains behind this season. Once to Dalhart, and Friday night to end the season.

Suddenly and abruptly, the game and the season ended. We weren't prepared for it. Our plans were to go farther. Maybe a lot farther.

The realization was especially devastating to the young Chieftain players. The seniors with a deflected pass and a tick of the clock, played their last play in a Chieftain uniform. Many of these boys had played together since 7th grade under the watchful eye of Coach James Morton.

Some brilliant high school football careers ended that icy evening. The grief, shock, and emotion were overwhelming to most of the My walk back to the van young men.

There were tears. Lots of 'em. On the field and in the stands. Across the field, the Seminole Indians, who had won their first playoff game since 1943, reveled in their victory, as well they should.

Friona coaches consoled our boys as best they could, knowing there is really nothing you can say at this particular time. The team slowly left the field to the north end dressing room.

I was putting my camera away and still warming my feet, when I noticed two people walking up the field from the south end.

Chieftain fullback Daniel Cuevas had been especially distraught over the loss. He had remained in the end zone, staring at the score board, tears flowing, unable to overcome his grief.

Head coach James Morton went to help Danny Cuevas, as he has done for all his players at one time or another.

Coming toward me and then past, Coach Morton walked up the field, holding Danny Cuevas' hand like a father would for his son.

A little farther along, he put his arm around Danny's shoulders and continued on to join his teammates in the locker room.

Folks, I felt a lot of pride at that moment. It was time for James Morton's boys to be men and he was still helping them get there.

Coach Morton has developed a program at FHS that transcends athletics. He developed and instilled in these young men a program to live, to study, to compete, and to believe.

And this night, a man cared enough for a boy, to walk with him in his sadness. What an example and lesson. seemed warmer.

Across the field, Seminole had a bi-district trophy.

On the ride back to Friona, Coach James Morton would be taking a team bus full of trophies. They are called the 1997 Chieftains.

We're All Proud Big Red. Let's play some basketball.

Stevens Chevrolet Acquires Stagner GMC Dealership

Stevens Chevrolet-Oldsmobile, Inc. of Hereford announced this week the acquisition of the Buick, Pontiac, and GMC automobile and truck franchises formerly held by Stagner-Carr Motors of Hereford.

John Stagner has joined the staff at the Stevens dealership which will now be known as STEVENS 5-STAR CAR & TRUCK CENTER and will reflect the name change in the combination of franchises which has expanded to include Chevrolet, Oldsmobile, Buick, Pontiac, and GMC Truck--all at the Stevens location at 545 N. 25 Mile Avenue in Hereford.

Jerry Stevens, Vice President, said he is very excited about the change and that "John Stagner's years of automobile experience and his many friends and customers in the Hereford area will be a great asset to the STEVENS 5-STAR line-up."

A much larger, expanded inventory will be available to the STEVENS 5-STAR customers upon arrival of the newly ordered inventory. Recent remodeling and additions to the Stevens dealership such as the large outdoor covered showroom and the expanded main showroom and the office area compliment a larger selection of all makes and models in the dealership.

John Stagner, a Hereford native and 20-year veteran of the automobile business, stated that "the opportunity to continue to sell and service my many friends and customers in the Hereford area at the STEVENS 5-STAR CAR & TRUCK CENTER is a very positive move for me and I want to invite my friends and customers by for a visit and a tour of the Stevens facility." The Stevens dealership

has been a full service franchise in Hereford since 1981 and has large service and parts departments wellequipped with the latest and most modern equipment with well-trained service tech-

L. D. "Steve" Stevens stated that with the addition of the Buick, Pontiac and GMC franchises "it gives us the opportunity to provide our special pricing policy which has made us one of the leading dealerships in our region to all makes and models under the STEVENS 5-STAR name."

IRS Hosts Seminar In **Amarillo**

Internal Revenue Service taxpayer advocates are known for their "cutting through the red tape" expertise. They tackle chronic tax problems that taxpayers cannot seem to get resolved.

In order to make taxpayer advocates available to more people, the Internal Revenue Service has begun conducting "IRS Listens" sessions throughout North Texas. One hundred fortynine people attended the first three "IRS Listens" events held in the Dallas/Fort Worth area in October.

Another 144 North Texans received one-on-one help with tax problems at the Problem Solving Day on November 15.

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Amarillo is the site of an "IRS Listens" session on Thursday, December 11. Taxpayer advocates will be available to listen and help people from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the IRS Office, 7201 Interstate 40 W., Suite 105. The IRS North Texas District Director will also be present.

Instead of communicating by letter or by telephone, "IRS Listens" lets people talk face-to-face with someone who has the authority to cut through the red tape. "IRS Listens" could be the answer for people who have not been able to resolve their tax issue through normal IRS contacts.

All help from the IRS is free and available on a firstcome, first-serve basis. For more information, call the IRS Taxpayer Advocates Office at 214-767-1289.

Parmer County SWCD To Sponsor Annual Contests Each year at this time, ribbons. The top entries will

the Parmer County Soil and then be judged county-wide. Water Conservation District The first, second and third sponsors a coloring, poster and essay contest for the school children in Parmer County. The Parmer County S.W.C.D. sponsors these contests each year to encourage soil and water conservation and help the children become aware of such concerns at an early age while making it fun and rewarding for them.

Kindergarten through second grades will participate in a coloring contest. The entries will be judged from each school. There will be a first, second and third place winner from each grade in each school and they will receive ribbons. The top entries will then be judged county-wide. The first, second and third place county winners will receive trophies.

Third grade through sixth grades will participate in a poster contest. The posters will be on a 22"x14" poster be flat. The themes for this top entries will then be

The "Backyard Stewardship" theme emphasizes what each of us can do in our own backyard, school yard or neighborhood to practice and promote positive stewardship. The "Wonders of Wildlife" theme stresses the relationship between wildlife habitat and proper land management, especially on lands managed for urban and suburban home sites, farms

and private production lands. The entries from each school will be judged. There will be a first, second and third place winner from each school who will receive

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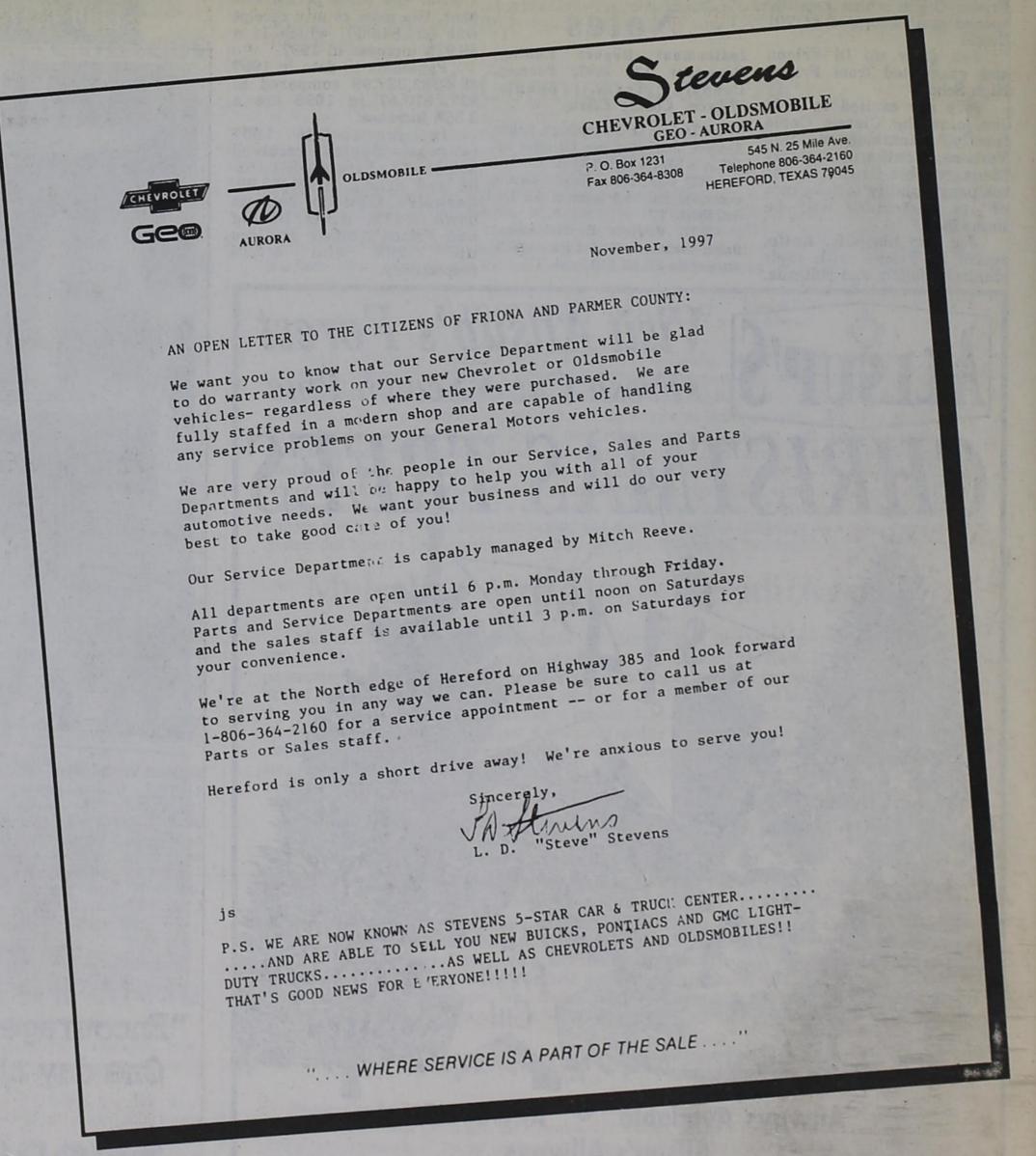
Seventh grade through twelfth grades will participate in an essay contest. The essay contest will be on "Soil and Water Conservation." This title includes, but is not limited to, the following general concept: the soil and water resources of this nation are vital for providing us with the necessities of food and shelter. Soil and Water Conservation Districts are engaged in the effort to carry out a local conservation program that meets the needs of the nation's soil and water resources for continued productivity.

The entries will be judged in two categories per school. Seventh and eighth grades will be category one and ninth through twelfth grades will be category two. Each category will have a first, second and third place winner board and all art work should who will receive ribbons. The ship" and "Wonders of first, second, third and fourth monetary awards.

The first placed winners of the poster and essay contest will be sent to Temple for a regional contest. This is an open contest and does not in any way jeopardize Texas University Interscholastic

League eligibility. All entries must be received in or before Friday, January 16, 1998.

For more information, check with your school principal or call or come by the Parmer County Soil and Water Conservation District at (806) 247-2220, 1306 West Ninth Street, Friona.



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FAMILY NURSE PRACTITIONER....Ruan Reast, R.N., C.S., M.S.N., F.N.P., is one of two people who will staff the St. Mary Mobile Clinic. Ms. Reast, a family nurse practitioner, previously served as the solo practitioner for St. Mary Hospital's rural health clinic in Amherst for four years.

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Educational programs conducted by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, handicap or national origin.

Hereford Man Bases Novel On Early Panhandle History

Hereford native who was lured into writing as an activist in the American Agriculture movement, has published a new historical novel, Horns.

The book, priced at \$21 is on sale at the Friona Star, and would make a great Christmas gift.

Horns is an historical novel, set in the Texas Panhandle during the years immedidately following the Civil War, 1865 to 1875. Although the war between the states had ended, another war was erunting in the war was erupting in the Texas Panhandle, a war to gain control of the huge grasslands known as the Llano Estacado, between the Indians, buffalo hunters, the U.S. Cavalry and Texas

The only survivor of the Alamo, Colonel Jim Cole has his arm severed by cannon fire in one of the last battles of the Civil War and is saved from certain death by a young private from Kentucky, Ned Armstrong. They escape the clutches of the Yankee army and travel to the Texas Panhandle to establish one of the largest cattle ranches in Texas, which had been a land grant to Colonel Cole by President Sam Huston and the Republic of Texas Legislature in 1845.

Being the first whites to establish roots on the Llano Estacado, they make friends and become blood brothers to half-white Chief Quanah Parker, then travel to Central Texas where they round up a herd of five thousand head of maverick longhorns and trail them back to their ranch on the plains, taking with them Cole's new bride, widow Belle McCardle and her two children, Kate who is sixteen years old and Sonny who is fourteen.

Horns describes the hardships of the cattle drive, setting up a frontier ranch in a land controlled by the ferocious Comanche Indians the invasion of the buffalo hunters who begin the slaughter of the estimated fifty million head of buffalo which roamed the plains, the Red River Wars which erupted as a result of the hunters taking hides from the Indians sacred hunting grounds and the battles between the U.S. Cavalry

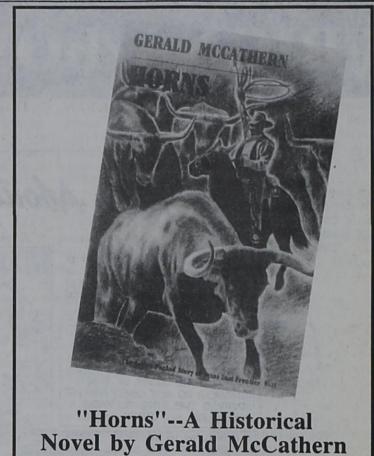
and the Indians.
Assisted by Quanah and some of his braves, Cole and Armstrong drive offspring of their herds to market at the railroad at Dodge City across uncharted Indian country, battling Apaches and the weather to establish the first cattle trail from the Texas Panhandle to Dodge City. They become friends with Bat Masterson, Billy Dixon and other noted historical figures.

Horns graphically describes the tough frontier

Gerald McCathern, a towns, gun battles between reford native who was the cowboys and buffalo hunters over the favors of the "painted ladies" of the saloons and rape and murder on the prairies.

After ten years of fighting and only after the slaughter of the huge buffalo herds is Quanah Parker and his Comanches finally defeated in the battle of Palo Duro Canyon and forced onto the hated reservation in Oklahoma, leaving the huge grasslands to the Texas cattlemen and their longhorn cattle.

McCathern blends an exciting fictional story with documented historical events in the style of Louis L'Amour and Larry McMurtry. The reader is kept spellbound from the first page when Quanah and his tribe leave the Llano Estacado to live forever on the reservation in Oklahoma Territory.





GETTIN' READY FOR BUSINESS...West Texas Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc., parent company of Friona Communications, is busy remodeling the former Porter building on Highway 60. Workers are paving a new parking lot on the north side for the main entrance to the local business office. WTRTC plans to offer telephone and cable service to Friona. No date was given for completion of the building. (Ron Carr Photo)

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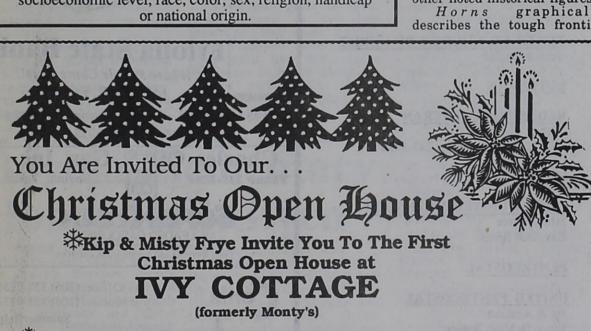
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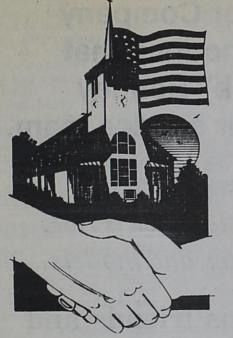
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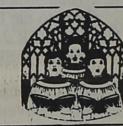
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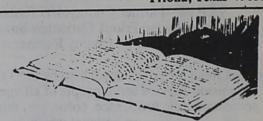




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good friend, Ruby Shipley of Clovis, made a 750-mile trip to Memphis, Texas and on to Oklahoma and visited with family members.

In Memphis, they visited with Carlene's grandson, Jon and Nikki Riddle and their children, Kyla, Kassie and Kade. Jon owns a pharmacy in Memphis. His parents are Jon Lin and Brenda Riddle of Bovina.

They also visited with Carlene's sister-in-law, Beula Martin and Carlene's sister, Violet McQueen and her son and his wife, Larry and Dora McQueen.

They drove on to Oklahoma and visited with other relatives.

Over the past weekend Carlene's daughter and sonin-law, Kathy and Lowell Boozer of Canyon visited in Bovina.

Irma Jo Englant's mother, Drucilla Kelley of Pleasant Hill underwent surgery to remove a brain tumor in the Lubbock Methodist Hospital this week.

The surgery was on Monday of this week and family members said she came through real well. She is 89 years of age.

Little one-year-old Jordan Windle, son of Shaun and Joanna Windle of Clovis and grandson of the James Claytons, is back in the Plains Regional Medical

Middle School Has Rolls Honor

The Bovina Middle School announced the honor rolls for the second six weeks.

The eighth grader with all A's is Angela Villarreal. Seventh graders with all A's are Sandra Guevara, Courtney Jamerson, Josh

Kerby and Maritssa Salazar. Sixth graders with all A's are Kasi Birdsong, Sandra Moreno and Chris Ortiz.

Eighth graders with A's and B's are Rocio Antillon, Paula Chavez, David Garcia, Danny Martinez, Jessica Reyna, Fidelfa Saucedo, Christen Stowers, Stephanie Tamez and Noemi Viernes.

Seventh graders with A's and B's are Rebeca Hernandez, Miguelina Lopez, Carlos Moreno, Mike Olvera, Austin Clayton, Jake Steelman, Juan Vara and Ivan Vela.

Sixth graders with A's and B's are Mayra Banuelos, Martin Carrillo, Sarah Morgan, Morgan Clayton, Maria Perez, Adriana Ramirez, Abraham Rocha, Ricardo Rojas, Yuri Vela and Troy Turner.

Center in Clovis with pneumonia. This is the third time he has been hospitalized in just a few weeks.

Pernie and Dick Free have returned home recently from a trip to visit with their daughter and family at Bakersfield, California. Their daughter is Cherry Ann and her husband is Pete Meads. They were also able to visit with their two daughters and their families.

The girls are Felisa Ann, who has two sons, Bret and Brady. The other daughter, Jennifer, has one daughter, All live in Paige. Bakersfield.

The Frees flew to California and said it only took two hours and thirty-two minutes from Dallas to Bakersfield. They spent most of the month of October in California.

Several members of the First Baptist Church enjoyed a trip on the church bus to Clovis on Sunday and had dinner at Furr's Cafeteria. Those who made the trip were Dale and Tonya Gober, Jack and Ona Patterson, Don and Juanda Murphy, Joe Looney, Erra Jamerson, Artie Faye O'Hair, Lois Smith, Mearle Morgan and Dick and Pernie Free. James and Sandra

Clayton also drove their car over and joined the group. The group had a lot of fun and are hoping to make

this a monthly outing. Sid Lloyd spent the weekend in Hale Center with daughter Patsy and Larry

Webb. Patsy came for Sid and they brought her home on Sunday. Sunday, they drove to Lubbock and attended church along with Patsy and Larry's daughter and her husband, Becky and Billy Don Hughes. Becky and Larry sang a special in the worship services.

Sid said Saturday they went Christmas shopping and ate out in Plainview.

Mark Englant was taken by ambulance to the Clovis Hospital recently at 4 a.m. suffering from lots of pain. He had pulled a muscle in his back and had a dislocated rib that caused severe pain. His wife, Toya, said he was by himself and was afraid he might pass out so he called the ambulance. He is doing better now.

Toya had gone to Glen Rose, Texas to see her children. Her aunt, Evelyn Joyce Vineyard, came back to visit with her dad, Amos Steelman and two brothers, Dickie and Eddie Gayle Steelman and sister, Vi

**** Marie Venable and Helen

Bovina Elementary Honor Roll Given

Second graders in Mrs. Timmons and Ruby Vila. Holman's class with all A's are Joseph Bermea, Jamie Burney's class with A's and Carina and Landaverde. Mrs. Steelman's all A students are Kelsi Birdsong, Bethany Rumph and Christy Thatcher.

Fourth graders in Mr. Graves' class with all A's are Elizabeth Ortiz and Zachary Quiroga. Mrs. Deen's all A Jamerson.

Mrs. Halbrooks fifth grader with all A's is Charlotte Rumph. Martin's all A students are Jessica Amparan and Victoria Carrillo.

Second graders with A's and B's in Mrs. Holman's class are Joe Angel Garcia, Lucero Saucedo, Ruben Lopez, Alan Rueda, Daniel Valadez, Marisela Garcia, Claudia Flores, Daena Carrillo, Jose Gutierrez, Jacob Rivera, Hortencia Lara and Abriel

Mrs. Steelman's students with A's and B's are Peter Blatz, Dalton Cockerham, Zulema Garcia, Ignacio Gonzales, Jesus Guevara, Haylee Hughes, James Lara. Joshua Lucero, Andrea Ortiz, Trent Quintana, Garrett

Third graders in Mrs.

B's are David Carrillo, Henry Hiebert, Zachary Morgan and David Rojas. Mrs. Sides' students with A's and B's are Tatiana Salas and Isai Saucedo.

Graves fourth graders with A's and B's are Dorothy Martinez, Paola students are Zane Anderson, Montes, Luis Carlos Munoz, Vanessa Garcia and Cody Josh Ramirez and Dusty Riley.

Mrs. Deen's students with A's and B's are Marco Casteneda, Dezirae Duran Maple, Dina Garcia, Saul Martinez, Sandra Perez, Karla Rivera, David Salazar

and Billy Sherbon. Mrs. Holbrooks fifth graders with A's and B's are Elizabeth Alonzo, Christopher Bachicha, Luzana Chavez, Hugo Martinez, Roger Martinez, Jennifer Reyna and

Rebeca Viernes. Mr. Martin's students with A's and B's are Giselle Alvarado, Rebeca Carrillo, Jeffrey Casas, Emigdio Flores

and Miguel Munoz. Fifth grade students who made the principal's list are contestants' scores can be Sandra Chairez, Esteben Guevara and Gloria Rocha.

Blalock found out recently about their brother, Fred Langer, who had disappeared several years ago. Fred's step-daughter, Sherry, gave them his death certificate which indicated he died of cancer back in 1992.

Funeral services were held in Espinola, New Mexico and he was buried in the National Cemetery in Santa Fe, New

Fred lived with his wife in Bovina for many years and the couple had one daughter, Kim. Fred worked for the county for many years. He was survived by his sisters and a brother, Joe of Muleshoe. It is unknown whether his wife is still living or where his daughter is. We Marie and Helen.

Tony Beauchamp and Luke Steelman drove to Norman, Oklahoma and attended the Oklahoma University game. OU lost but the boys had a good visit with Tony's sister, Lori, who is a freshman at Oklahoma University.

Tommy Scaff underwent hip surgery at St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock. He was born with problems in his hip and had to have surgery when he was five years old at Scottish Rites Hospital in

Tommy has suffered lots of pain and finally got into the hospital but had to wait from Monday until Friday to have the surgery. Tuesday, he had been in the hospital ten days and hopefully he will be out by the time the paper comes out.

Tommy's mother-in-law, Viriginia Steele, said he would have to be on crutches with no weight on his leg for six to eight weeks. Hopefully, all will go well when he comes home.

Marian and Dixie Carson drove to Coperas Cove and picked up a load of calves at Dolph Moten's ranch recently. They visited with Dalph and his wife who live in town and Dolph's mother, Lois Moten,

FB Contest Standings

Contestants did not advance much in week eleven with many upsets and a tie game. There are two more weeks for contestants to add to their totals for the \$150 grand prize. Good luck!

Standings: 122-Jessica Stowers. 120-Cameron Charles. 118-Carmen Porras, Frances Willard and A.M. Wilson.

116-Danny Harris. 115-David Miles.

114-Don Spring. 113-Denise Anderson.

112-Travis Lockmiller, Jan Smith, Janie Sudderth, Robert Tapia and George J. Villarreal.

111-Jeanne, Susan and Tyson Kerby.

110-Jo Blackwell, Blake Clements, Gilda Garner, Walter Kessler and Jerry Sherbon.

100-Roy Lee Stowers and Linda Sudderth.

109-Adam Mejia. 108-Doug Johnson, Jason Kerby and Del Ray Sudderth. 107-Bobby Johnson, Louis Mejia, Kenny Sherbon and Christen Stowers.

106-Josh Kerby, Virginia Steele and Dorothy Stowers. 105-Dorothy Harris, Frances Johnson and Woot Sudderth.

104-Blake Sudderth. 103-Daniel Hernandez and Angela Villarreal. 101-Joe Harris and Becky

98-Leonor Espinosa and Glenden Sudderth. 96-Martin Gonzales, Janie Sherbon and George L. Villarreal.

95-Al Kerby Jr. and Flossie Rhinehart. 93-Phillip Johnson. 92-Matt Hromas and

Luke Steelman. 91-Peggy Hargrove. 90-Levi Steelman. 86-Mike Raymond.

A complete list of found at the Bovina Blade

lives on the ranch. They spent the night with Mrs. Moten.

They said Dolph was mostly into ranching. He was the first editor and publisher of the Blade and raised his family in Bovina.

The Carsons drove onto Cedar Park and visited with daughter Joan, her husband, Mike Strawn and their son, Caleb. Then they went back by Coperas Cove and got their load of calves.

Don and Juanda Murphy attended her fiftieth high school class reunion, held at Ballinger, Texas. Juanda said there were seventy-two who graduated. Twenty-two are deceased and twentyexpress our sympathy to seven attended the reunion which was lots of fun.

The Murphys then drove on to Austin and attended the Southern Baptist Convention. There were six thousand registered.

While in Ballinger, Juanda visited with all three of her brothers and Don's mother and sister.

Brother Gary Morgan and his wife Donna, of First Baptist Church, attended the convention and they were also able to visit with grandparents.

Jerry Ware and her neice, Maxine Bennett of Pampa, drove to Kingsland and visited with Jerry's brother and sister-in-law, Clyde and Jewell Windom. The family enjoyed seeing lots of country, visiting and eating out.

THINK ABOUT IT: The trouble with life in the fast lane is that you get to the end much too fast. Thanks for all your calls, keep it up...Scooter.

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