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As of Dec. 4, 1997 64,002

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

Ethel Johnson Celebrates 90 Years Of Life And Family

Ethel Johnson is being honored by her children and grandchildren with a nintieth birthday party at the Bovina Church of Christ Fellowship Hall on December 14, from 2

p.m. until 4:30 p.m. Ethel Johnson was a Christmas baby, born Ethel Mae Ashby on December 25, 1907 to Silas and Maggie Lee Ashby in Beaver County near Guymon, Oklahoma. She recalls being told how her older sister and brother ran excitedly into their dugout because Santa Claus had brought them a baby sister.

She lived in Rocky, Oklahoma until she was sixteen years old and graduated from high school at Clinton, Oklahoma in 1929.

On December 23, 1929 she married Levi James Johnson and the couple moved to the Bovina area in February 1930. They lived in the Oklahoma Lane Community where they farmed crops and operated a dairy farm.

Ethel remembered learning how to milk as a young girl from her mother. She decided that when she was own and married, she didn't want to participate in milking. Never-the-less, she said she got to milk a herd of about 30 cows. In the old milking barn there still hangs information about the milk production on each cow. When they started irrigating the farms, they sold the dairy and continued to farm.

the same house throughout for home.

IF YOU'RE NOT aware of it

yet, our fearless leader, Mr.

Clinton, has as his current

goal the passage of a treaty

to fight "global warming."
This month, the president

goes to Japan to urge the

representatives of various

nations attending an environ-

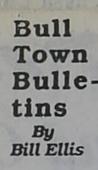
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ETHEL JOHNSON

the years, but as she observed, they added onto it as the family and the farm grew. Large elm trees that she and Levi planted still stand on their old home place. She remembers watering them by filling and refilling a large barrel on a sled pulled by a horse.

She recalls when there were only six houses between their house and Farwell thirteen miles away. When she and Levi would get lost, they would stop the car and Levi would climb up on top and look for the Grissoms' big red barn and then they could Ethel and Levi lived in tell which direction to head



radical, and possibly devastating environmental emissions standards on businesses. Every specialist we have heard or seen quoted on the matter agrees that the net result of such a treaty would bankrupt many segments of industry. The increased cost of American-made goods due to such new standards would cause a layoff of millions of American workers and ship their jobs

As anyone who has followed international politics as much as ten years knows full well, even if every nation attending the conference votes to pass the new standards, the only one whose leader would impose them on his own country is none other than Billy Blythe...oops, President Clinton.

The Clintons have been unsuccessful so far in bankrupting the nation's health care industry, and although they were somewhat stalled in their efforts to force homosexual acceptance by the military, this administration's support of the gay movement means that taxpayers are now spending much more proportionately on AIDS research than for any other

A study which was funded by the U.S. Department of Energy and released this year predicted that the global treaty being discussed would cause 20 to 30 per cent of America's chemical industries to move to developing countries within 20 years. All primary aluminum producers would close by the year 2010, and the number of steel producers would decline by 30 per cent. Domestic paper production would be replaced by imports. Take it from someone who deals with paper: if this happens, the price of paper products could virtually

double in a short time. New emissions-control standards would raise electricity prices an estimated 40 to 50 per cent, and gasoline prices by 70 cents per gallon. This higher fuel price would cause a snowball effect all through the nation's economy, as we saw in the 1970s, when fuel prices doubled and tripled--never to be

restored to their previous levels. Clinton has absolutely no proof what-so-ever that global warming is a fact of life. A Gallup poll of the members of the Meteorological Society showed that only 17 per cent of their members think "global warming" has been caused by greenhouse gas emissions.

One expert said that since 1870, the Earth's temperature has risen one-half of one degree Celsius--and most of this

occurred before World War II. Margaret Maxey, a geophysicist at Texas Tech, estimates that just three volcanic eruptions--Indonesia (1883), Alaska (1912) and Iceland (1947)--spewed more carbon dioxide and sulphur dioxides into the atmosphere than all of the activities of industrial man up to this point in time. Humans contribute only FIVE per cent of atmospheric dioxides; nature does the rest, the Texas Tech researcher states.

Experts are urging Congress to hold hearings as soon as possible on the scientific uncertainty associated with globalwarming theory, and the cost to American families and

businesses if the treaty is approved. Why is it that the Clinton administration is so Hell-bent on saving the world, at the expense of his own country? This month's conference gives him a world stage on which to proclaim his (hypocritical) concern for the environment. He had better be careful, taking such a stance in an Asian setting.

Those folks are not about to adopt such a treaty (although they would urge us to do so). And this might cost the president some of the campaign donations he has been getting from that part of the globe. It is obvious that his goal here is to push Al Gore into the oval office in the year 2000. If for no other reason, Mr. President-toss that global warming football into the Pacific Ocean and do some sight-seeing. Your constituents would much rather see you doing the latter.

Ethel also remembers how

members of the Bovina

Farm Road 1731 was at one time just a cattle trail and around where the Sorleys' house now stands, there was an old windmill where cows stopped to water. She and Levi were Fire Department.

Church of Christ. She has taught many a child in Bible class and Vacation Bible School. Many of her most fond memories are of her (Continued On Page 8)

SUPERINTENDENT

1996-97 Academic Excellence

Indicator System (AEIS)

report from the Texas Education Agency, Bovina ISD received "academically

scores, Bovina exceeded state

averages in 4th grade math

and writing, 5th grade math,

7th grade math and 8th

grade science. Tenth grade

math was below the state

average by only two-tenths of

clude not only the percentage passing the Texas Assessment

of Academic Skills (TAAS)

tests but the attendance rate

and the dropout rate. The

district TAAS score for

reading was 73.4%; writing

was 74.1% and math was

78.5%. The attendance rate

and the dropout rate were

calculated on 1995-96 data

and were 96.1% for atten-

flect an ethnic distribution of

81.4% Hispanic, 18% white,

and 0.7% African American,

and an economically disad-

vantaged rate of 80.2%. 30%

of the students are Limited

experience of teachers is 11.5

years, while the average

years teaching in Bovina ISD

the district is \$29,808.

Average class size in

elementary is 18 while in

secondary English it is 14.9;

in mathematics 12.9; in

science 17.2; and in social

calendar year of 1996 was

\$1.05. Local taxes comprised

16.7% of revenue, federal was

Elementary

The Bovina Elementary

students in grades fourth

through kindergarten will

present a Christmas program

Wednesday, December 10 at

1:30 p.m. in the Bovina

"Christmas Potpourri" in

which each class will perform

a song or skit. Parents are

encouraged to show their

support for the children by

attending the program.

The program is titled

4.9% and state 75.9%.

To Have

Program

Other local

The tax rate for the

and

The average years

Average teacher salary in

English Proficient (LEP).

is 7.5 years.

studies 20.4.

auditorium.

District demographics re-

dance and 0.8% for dropouts.

Accountability factors in-

In comparison with state

In the recently released

BY SUE NUTTALL

acceptable" status.

one percent.

Bovina ISD Receives Ratings

\$5,108.

From TX Education Agency



CHRISTMAS IS COMING......Mauricio Garcia and Jose Angel, second graders, join fifth grader Kody Hawkins and third grader Jesse Reyna around the elementary school Christmas tree (Ron Carr Photo)

Christmas **Fund Set** At Bank

This year's Christmas fund has been established at First Bank.

Proceeds from the fund will benefit Bovina's EMS and

All donations appreciated. Deadline is December 19. The Bovina Blade will publish name of all donors in the Christmas issue.

For more information, contact First Bank, Bovina.

intermediate revenues made

up 2.5%. The end of year

1995-96 audited fund balance

was \$778,909. Total expend-

itures were \$3,069,899, with

operating expenses being 95%

and capital outlay 5%. Per

pupil expenditure was

report is available for the

public to view at the Bovina

High School library or the

Bovina Elementary library.

A copy of the complete

Friona Youths Caught In Friona/Bovina Vandalism

were busy over the weekend with a vandalism spree that included vehicle burglary, vandalized vehicles, a broken

morning hours Saturday, November 29, Bovina Police Chief Leon Saddler reported several residences and one business were visited by the young vandals.

In that incident also three cars were burglarized, two cars were vandalized, and an eight-foot window in a Main Street building was broken.

Then in the early morning hours of Monday, December 1, two more vehicles were burglarized and another burglary was attempted on a third vehicle. In this second incident, one of juveniles apprehended by Bovina

Police. Saddler determined during the investigation that the two sprees were related and seven juveniles from Friona were responsible.

It was also determined at the time that some of these

Bovina and Friona police seven juveniles had busy over the weekend committed acts of vandalism in Friona during the early Monday morning hours.

The Friona vandalism window, and spray painting included damage to three graffitti on cars and houses. residences with spray paint, In Bovina, in the early hitting a residence with eggs, and damage to a stock trailer.

Friona police determined that the Friona incidents were caused by four youths of the seven caught in Bovina. The youths ranged in age from 13 to 16 years-old.

On Monday afternoon, five of the seven juveniles appeared before Justice of the Peace Vi Hutto. All five gave statements to Bovina police officers and the Parmer County Sheriff's deputies, as well as the Friona police.

The cases have been turned over to the Parmer County Juvenile Probation Officer for charges to be filed in the Parmer County Juvenile Court.

Law enforcement officials report that total damages are still being estimated. Damage amounts that total more than \$750 constitute a

Jessica Stowers Wins \$150 Grand Prize

Jessica Stowers is the nine games this week. grand prize winner of the Blade Football Contest. She had a total of 141 points. In the thirteen week contest she won first place once and third place twice. This brings her total winnings to \$180. 'Way to go Jessica!

Week thirteen completed the contest. Frances Johnson was the only contestant to correctly pick twelve of the sixteen contest games. She received \$20.

Frances missed the Arizona-Arizona State, New Orleans-Carolina, Atlanta-Seattle and Kansas City-San Francisco games.

These were the most missed games of the contest along with the Miami-Syracuse and Aledo-Seminole

Four contestants, Roy Lee Stowers, Doug Johnson, Jessica Stowers and Flossie Rhinehart, tied picking eleven games correctly. Washington 20-St. Louis Rams 23 game was the deciding factor and the tied contestants all picked Washington to win.

Roy Lee was eight points off the final score. He earned

Both Doug and Jessica were sixteen points off the final score. They tied for third place and each got a check for \$5.

Flossie Rhinehart was 18 points off the tie-breaker game, to barely miss a cash

Three contestants picked ten games correctly. They were Jeanne and Tyson Kerby and Travis Lockmiller.

Cameron Charles, Danny Harris, Daniel Hernandez, Phillip Johnson, Al Kerby Jr., Josh Kerby, Virginia Steele, Dorothy Stowers, Don Spring, Robert Tapia and A.M. Wilson all correctly picked

These scores helped propel \$150 in the 1997 Bovina contestants' scores to the top but Jessica Stowers, the leader since week one, was consistent with her win.

Cameron Charles followed close behind with a total of 138 points. Four other contestants were in the 130's. They were Frances Willard, 135; A.M. Wilson, 134; Carmen Porras, 132; and Danny Harris, 131.

A more complete listing of top contestants' scores can be found elsewhere in this issue. Six contestants of the Bovina Blade football contest won cash more than once

during the contest. The winningest contestant was Carmen Porras with her two weeks in a row winning of first place. Her total was

Three contestants won a total of \$30 in combinations of two and three wins. They were Travis Lockmiller, Jerry (Continued On Page 8)



JESSICA STOWERS



FAMILY WINNERS....Doug Johnson and his mother Frances won third and first place respectively in the final Bovina Business football contest. Another family, Roy Lee Stowers and daughter Jessica also won as Roy Lee placed second and Jessica tied for third.

...from the files of The Bovina Blade

40 Yrs Ago-Dec. 4, 1957 Burglars paid two Bovina businesses a visit Monday night and were successful in both break-ins. Implement Company and Read's Gulf Service were the

Bovina Volunteer Fire Department answered two calls in two days, Sunday and Monday.

For the third place finish in the Littlefield District FFA

leadership quiz contest, the Bovina chapter was awarded a banner at the district banquet in Littlefield Tuesday night.

35 Yrs Ago-Dec. 5, 1962 This community was shocked and saddened last week by the accidental death of Ronnie Isham, 21, one of Bovina's most popular young men. Isham, who was a student at West Texas



MIDDLE JUMPER.....Fillies ace Bonnie Quintana is surrounded by New Deal defenders as she has a clear jump shot. The Fillies are 0-4 but Quintana has averaged over 25 points per game. (Ron Carr Photo)



INBOUNDS ACTION....Four Fillies start an inbounds play under their goal against New Deal last week.. They are, l-r, Amanda Smith, Evang Casas, Bonnie Quintana, and Lety (Ron Carr Photo) Vargas.

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College at Canyon, was found dead late Wednesday in the garage of his home there where he had been working on a car. He was a 1959 graduate of Bovina High School. He leaves his widow, the former Arlene Clayton, and a son, Robbie.

30 Yrs Ago-Dec. 6, 1967 City Marshall Ronald Mitchell has requested that business institutions in downtown Bovina clean up their alleys.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Fillpot of Bovina Insurance have purchased Inman Insurance from Mrs. Bob Estes.

A contract was awarded Tuesday morning to Sherrill Lumber Company of Bovina for construction of a medical clinic here, culminating the work and dreams of Bovina citizens during the past few years.

25 Yrs Ago-Dec. 6, 1972 Parmer County farmers who hadn't sold their 1972 grain sorghum crops this week were in an enviable position as the market for milo continued upward. The price quoted here Tuesday morning was \$2.60 per hundredweight, up 25 cents from last week's \$2.35.

At a meeting of St. Ann's
Parish Council, Wednesday,
November 29, the council
voted to sell the bell from the
old St. Ann's Church. Sealed
bids for the bell may be
made to the church.

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20 Yrs Ago-Dec. 7, 1977 A veteran participant and winner of the championship in 1965, Allen D. Cumpton, rode the crest of a sustained seven-week drive to triumph in the 18th Annual Bovina Businesses Football Contest. He finished the season with 134 points of a possible 182. he received \$100 for Grand

15 Yrs Ago-Dec. 8, 1982 Bovina High School's Mustangs remained undefeated for the season, and in the process brought home the championship trophy from the Sudan tournament last weekend. Greg McClaran scored 21 pace Bovina's scoring in the Crosbyton game, and had ten point backup scoring from Richard Shepherd and Joe Black.

10 Yrs Ago-Dec. 9, 1987 Seven Bovina youngsters were named all-tournament at the Vega Tournament last week. They were Matt Fox, Joanna Clayton, Steve Gauntt, Scott Scaff, Libby Marshall, Denver Riddle, Jennifer Beauchamp, and Woot Sudderth.

The Fillies basketball team broke into the win column at the Vega Tournament last weekend, scoring wins over Adrian and Lefors, to capture the tournament's third place award.

The Bovina Mustang basketball team scored three easy wins at the Vega Tournament to take the tournament title, and run their season record to 5-0. Rick and Denise Anderson

are the parents of a baby boy, Zane Rydon, born December 1 at the Clovis High Plains Hospital.

Jason, 14, and Tyson Kerby, 10, swept first and second prizes in this week's Bovina Blade football contest.

Stephen Stevenson was the happy winner of 100 gallons of gasoline which was given away by Charles Oil this week.

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PEP TALK....Fillies coach Daryl Hill encourages his Fillie squad during the New Deal game last Tuesday. (Ron Carr Photo)



UP & IN.....Amanda Smith (50) sets for a rebound in case Bonnie Quintana (20) misses. Looking on is Melissa Cantu (30). (Ron Carr Photo)

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Don't miss the fun of the Christmas Holiday and our 10th Anniversary Celebration.



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Out Here

By RON CARR



You probably don't pay ch attention to government. When the economy is bright, crops are better than average, and bubba has his next six pickup payments covered, why worry about the government.

It is easier to let somebody else worry about the government anyway. Most of us don't say anything about government regulations until they are already law.
Then, if it interferes with our
space, we get mad.

During the recent session

of the Texas Legislature, our representatives passed more than 1,000 new laws or revisions to present laws.

We refer to Mr. Bivins, Mr. Laney, and the rest of them as "lawmakers". Guess they take it serious. Is there anyone besides me that feels we did not need 1,000 new laws this year.

I have frequent trouble just obeying all the laws we already have and the governments are determined to give us more and more rules to live by.

Make no mistake that politicians can't not make laws. They have to have rules for you and me, otherwise how could we hold a steady job, raise a family, or have enough sense to enjoy the holidays without official intervention.

The Texas Attorney General's Office has 3,255 employees, 2,332 of which are dedicated to collecting child support from roughly 900,000 court ordered child support cases in the state.

However, for several months single-moms have not received their money from the state because the AG's new computer system doesn't work. So while the 2,332 AG employees are collecting their paychecks, divorced mothers who need to pay rent, buy milk and bread, or a new party dress, can't.

The computers did work long enough to send letters to all the past due mothers, authorizing them to tell utility companies that the state has screwed up and don't turn off the electricity yet. The checks are in the

The Attorney General's computer glitch has not only affected the mothers who are to receive the money. The men (dads) who send their monthly child support payments have also been receiving terse, threatening letters from the AG about

non-payment. One man I know, namely me, has received six letters from AG Morales' office in the last six weeks.

The first two said I was behind and they were notifying me that they intended to report me to a credit bureau. (Quick, hand me my nerve pills.)

The next two said I was behind in child support payments and to send (immediately) payment and gave me a dollar amount to send. The dollar amount they asked for had no relation to the amount I pay.

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The last two were very stern. They said in big, black, bold letters that "you were ordered to notify the Attorney General's office when you change employment", and asked for my name, address, telephone numers, social security number, and current place of

employment. Of course they had my address I suppose, since I received all six letters at home. I had to assume they had my social security number since I have had the same one for almost fifty years and it was used quite generously by the court during my divorce proceedings.

However, not wanting to run afoul of the big, bad, Attorney General of the State of Texas, I decided to call him up to explain the mistake.

First I checked with Teresa Ancira over in the Parmer County Distict Clerk's office to make sure they had received my checks.

See, I make the monthly check payable to my ex-, mail it to the district clerk, who endorses it over to the Attorney General, who then re-issues a state check and mails it to the ex- in Wichita

Falls. Why is all of that beaucracy and duplicate cost necessary? Because I am a "dead-beat" dad who cannot be trusted to live in the same

place longer than one month, nor hold any type of job longer than one pay period.

Besides, I could grow a ponytail, borrow Kim Caffey's Harley, and head out to California to disappear and meditate for a few years. Ah was Who cares about support yes. Who cares about support payments when you can commune with a bunch of California surfer chicks.

Anyhow, Ms. Ancira said that in spite of the threats from Mr. Morales and his 2,332 AG employees, Parmer County records indicated that I was current. (Whew! No prison coverells for a while) prison coveralls for a while.)

She gave me a number for the AG office in Amarillo to call and straighten out the mess. I called. Five different times. The recording said

"you have reached the Attorney General's office. Your call is very important to me so leave your case

number, ID number, social

I didn't leave all that stuff. What I did leave was this message: "My name is Ron Carr in Friona, Texas. I am not behind in child support. I know I am not. The Parmer County district clerk says I am not, and most important, my ex-wife says I am not. You seem to be the only ones who think I am. Any questions, call the Parmer County District

Clerk." As of today, none of the 2,332 AG employees have called me back even though they said my call was very important to them.

I have the six letters filed away. I plan to ignore any other ones they send. What does bother me though, is that the state printed, folded, enveloped, stamped, and mailed me six letters. So what would that cost? Say about \$6 all together.

If there are 900,000 child

support cases in the state and they each received six letters, isn't that \$5,400,000 that the taxpayers paid to have me notified of something I didn't do in the first place?

Oh well! Regulators need

to regulate and the more reg-ulations there are, the more secure their jobs are.

To Daniel Morales, Attorney General, State of Texas: This is to notify you that for now I am still working here at the newspaper and living quietly in Friona.

However, if at any time in the next 2-3 years it becomes apparent that Al Gore might be the next president of the United States, this is your official notice that I will be leaving the country.

In the meantime you might call my ex-wife down in Wichita Falls. I guess her phone is still connected.



Fewer symptoms and shorter colds are two of the benefits of zinc lozenges that are reported by users and studies.

Eight Planets, Moon Line Up For Sky Show

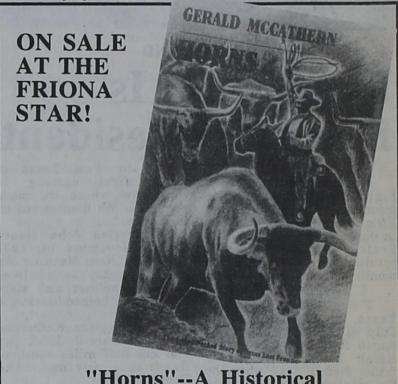
The moon and eight of the planets will be lined up in the sky this week "like pearls on a string" in a sight that won't be visible again from Earth for at least another century

"It's quite beautiful, an exquisite grouping of the moon and planets," said Jack Horkheimer, executive director of the Miami Space Transit Planetarium and host of the public television program, "Star Hustler." "This is naked-eye astronomy at its best."

Beginning Friday night and continuing through December 8, the planets will appear in the southwestern sky in a line slanting upward from the horizon. From west to east, Pluto

will be followed by Mercury, Mars, Venus, Neptune, Uranus, Jupiter and Saturn, with a crescent moon alongside.

Mercury, Mars, Venus, Jupiter and Saturn will be visible to the naked eye, with Venus and Jupiter by far the brightest. A good pair of binoculars will be needed to see the small blue dots that are Uranus and Neptune. Pluto will be visible only by telescope.



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EVA BRAND

Eva Brand Is Featured Resident

By EVA BRAND

Prairie Acres Nursing Home submits a story about his/her life's history to be submitted in the home's newsletter, "The Prairie Times," and for printing in this issue. This month we feature Eva Brand.

I was born in Alvarado, Texas, in Johnson County, July 10, 1913. I am the fourth child born to B.B. and Sarah Etna Smith. My father died in 1919 when the flu was so bad. We were

five children. She took the miles southwest of Friona to who are twins, and Bill.

My baby brother, Hubbord, whose nickname health, he had to quit driving was "Shorty," was still nursing. He was about one year old so my mother took him with her also, leaving me at the age of six years at the house to cook the meals for everyone. I had no education Acres July 1, 1997. Johnny, because we were poor and everyone had to work.

Henry Hamilton Lloyd, super job of taking care of November 19, 1923. We me.

moved to West Texas in Every month a resident of 1929, first coming to Plainview where we made one crop. We then moved on

to Bovina. I married John Henry Brand, November 14, 1931 at Clovis, New Mexico. We had no money so we lived with my mother and stepfather and helped work the

Our daughter, Katherine, was born July 2, 1935, two and one-half miles south of Bovina, during the Depression.

very, very poor. We moved to Friona in My mother had to go to the fall of 1935, to a place We moved to Friona in the field and work to support called Davis Ranch three older three children to help farm the land. My husband, work in the field with her, myself, my mother and step-which were Odom and Opal, father all worked and lived in maculate Conception Catholic the same large farm house.

> Because of Johnny's the tractor. We moved into Friona in 1945. Johnny began his carpenter's career that year which lasted until he retired in 1980.

I came to live at Prairie myself and Katherine would like to thank everyone at My mother later married Prairie Acres for doing such a

Rain, Snow Is Received In The Area

The area received at least a little moisture this week in the form of slow-falling rain mixed with light snow. It was the first measurable moisture in 17 days at Friona's National Weather reporting station.

The Friona guage recorded .28 inches of rain Tuesday morning, and another .13 inch during the daytime Tuesday, for a total of .41 inch. November's moisture amounted to just .49 inches, and in spite of "El Nino," it was the first month after seven consecutive, to yield less than an inch of rain.

Friona's rainfall for calendar 1997 stands at 25.21".

Temps: Friday, November 28: 50-31; Saturday, November 29: 52-30; Sunday, November 30: 55-27; Monday, December 1: 51-31; Tuesday, December 2: 38-27; Wednesday, December 3: 37-22; Thursday, December 4:

Frionans' **Brother Dies** In Muleshoe

Graveside services for Habell Rosas, 38, of Muleshoe were held Tuesday, December 2 in Bailey County Cemetery with the Rev. Ed Sweeney officating.

Rosas died November 28. 1997 in Muleshoe Area Medical Center.

He was born October 24, 1959 in Greeley, Colorado. Church in Muleshoe.

He was a truck driver. Survivors include his parents, Fermin and Mary Rosas of Muleshoe; four sisters, Sally Toscano of Denver City, Nora Ramos of Plainview, Irene Rosas of Las Cruces New Mexico, and Mary Ann Garcia of Vado, New Mexico; six brothers, Fermin Jr., Sammy, Michael, and Carlos, all of Friona; Paul of Hereford and David of Clovis, New Mexico.

Hereford Man Bases Novel On Early History

Gerald McCathern, a Hereford native who was lured into writing as an activist in the American fire in one of the last battles Agriculture movement, has of the Civil War and is saved novel, Horns.

on sale at the Friona Star, and would make a great army and travel to the Texas Christmas gift.

Horns is an historical novel, set in the Texas Panhandle during the years immedidately following the President Sam Huston and Civil War, 1865 to 1875. the Republic of Although the war between Legislature in 1845. the states had ended, another war was erupting in the establish roots on the Llano Texas Panhandle, a war to gain control of the huge grasslands known as the Llano Estacado, between the Parker, then travel to Central Indians, buffalo hunters, the Texas where they round up a U.S. Cavalry and Texas herd of five thousand head of cattlemen.

Alamo, Colonel Jim Cole has his arm severed by cannon published a new historical from certain death by a rel, Horns.

The book, priced at \$21 is Ned Armstrong. They escape the clutches of the Yankee Panhandle to establish one of the largest cattle ranches in Texas, which had been a land grant to Colonel Cole by the Republic of Texas

Being the first whites to Estacado, they make friends and become blood brothers to half-white Chief Quanah maverick longhorns and trail

The only survivor of the 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 Servi Watts, 33 held Mon 1997 at F in Dimm Howard Rev. Par pastor offi Buria

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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.

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Laurie Watts' Rites December Held

Services for Laurie J. Pallbearers were Mike Watts, 35, of Dimmitt were Odem, Emmitt Heard, 1997 at First Baptist Church Durbin, Colby Gilbreath and in Dimmitt with the Rev. Jerry Vera. Howard Rhodes, pastor and Honorary Pallbearers Rev. Paul Kenley, former were the Adult II Sunday pastor officiating.

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Burial followed at Castro Baptist Church. Memorial Gardens in Dimmitt.

She died November 29, 1997 at Baptist-St. Anthony's in Amarillo after a lengthy illness.

Mrs. Watts was born October 26, 1962 in Dimmitt. She married Joe E. "Jody" Watts, formerly of Bovina, on July 1, 1983 in Dimmitt.

She graduated from Dimmitt High School in 1981 was employed by Castro County for county clerk and the DPS office from 1983 until 1995.

Mrs. Watts was an active member of First Baptist Church and taught Girls In

Survivors include her husband; two daughters, Cassidy and Catlin Watts; three sisters, Peggy Ehly, June Ewing and Irene Miller, all of Dimmitt; two brothers, Edward Ewing of Dimmitt and H.N. Ewing of Amarillo; her parents, Arlon and Edna Ewing of Dimmitt; and seven nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by two sisters, Sue and Arlene Ewing.

Muleshoe's Bazaar Is Scheduled

The Moonlight Family and Community Education Club and Texas Agricultural Extension Office announces their annual Bailey County Arts and Crafts Bazaar which will be held on Friday, December 5, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday, December 6, from 9 a.m.

The bazaar will be held at the Bailey County Civic Center at 2200 W. American Blvd., in Muleshoe.

School Class, Dimmitt First

The family suggests memorials be made to the Cassidy and Catlin Watts Education Fund c/o Hereford Federal Credit Union at 212 West Bedford, Dimmitt, Texas 79027

Friona FB Contest Standings

This is the final tally of the 1997 total points earned in the Friona Business Football Contest. We have listed only the top point totals here.

The final list of points for all entrants is posted in the Star office.

163-Mark Zachary. 162-Jerry Hinkle. 160-Lisa Reed. 159-Don Max Vars.

158-Carmella Hernandez, employed with Silverhawk Kevin Wiseman. 157-Cindy Carthel, Veca

155-Mike Hutson, Myrtle Melton, Thomas Reed. 154-Clint Mears, Bobby Wied.

153-Jerry Gossett. 152-Cliff Daniel. 151-Tim Elmore, Donita

149-Scott Brown, Joy Morton, Larry Rogers. 148-Wayne Amstutz, Eddie Gauna, Jennifer Gonzales, David Woody. 147-Sandra Berend, Jim-

my Walker. 146-Andy Carthel, Colby Carthel, Courtney Carthel, Juan Hernandez, Rusty McFarland, Shirley Steinbock. 143-Shirley Fangman,

Dario Hernandez. 142-Raul Braillif, Daniel Hernandez, Lance Looper.

141--Claire Brown. 140--Sherry Carr.



GOOD JOB MYRNA.....Art Cabrera, Director of Silverhawk Security at Excel, congratulates Myrna Adams on her company award. See story for details. (Ron Carr Photo)

Silverhawk Security Recognizes M. Adams

fourth quarter of 1997.

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a shopper's heaven because it has almost everything for Christmas under one roof."

open to the public.

Entertainment will also be

The bazaar is free and

Security, based out of Lincoln, Silverhawk Security, the Nebraska, since October 25, security system provider for Excel Corporation in Friona, has awarded Myrna Adams 1990. "Her hard work, attention

the honor of employee of the to detail and performance earned her this award," a Adams has been spokesperson said.

Silverhawk Security employees compete with about 500 other employees in approximately 57 sister companies for this award. They also have the opportunity to compete for the award for employee of the

a check for \$250.

Services Held Friday For Julian Aguilar

Funeral services for Julian C. Aguilar, Sr., 57, of Friona, were held at 10:30 a.m. Friday, December 5, 1997 at Calvary Baptist Church in Friona. Rev. David Alvarado of Hereford and Rev. Isidro Jimenez of Friona conducted the services.

Burial was in West Park Cemetery in Hereford under the direction of Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home of Friona.

Aguilar died December 2, 1997 at Baptist St. Anthony's Hospice, Amarillo. He was born April 12, 1940 in Eagle Pass, Texas and married his first wife, Yolanda. She died in 1981. He later married Arminda Balli on May 28, 1988.

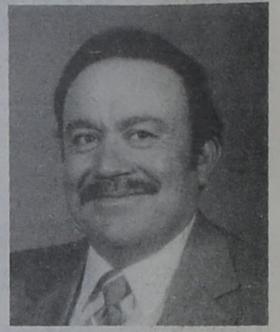
He was a member of Templo Marantha Church in Friona.

After moving to Friona in 1977 from Hereford he became a plumbing contractor. He owned and operated J.R.'s Plumbing for many years.

Preceding him in death were his first wife, Yolanda; a daughter, Yolanda Ann Aguilar in 1982, a son, Luis Aguilar, in 1968; a grandson, Julian Aguilar III, in 1991; and a brother, David Aguilar, in February 1997.

Survivors include his wife, Arminda, of Friona; two sons, Julian Aguilar, Jr., of Fort Worth and Isaac Aguilar of Friona; three daughters, Janie Aguilar of Friona, Annabell Aguilar of Amarillo and Faith LaDawn Aguilar of Friona.

Also, four brothers, Aguilar of Costa Mesa, Community Center.



JULIAN AGUILAR

California, Samuel Aguilar and Jose Chapa, both of Uvalde, Texas; six sisters, Esther Ruiz of Maywood, California, Elizabeth Hernandez of Blue Lake, Illinois, Teresa Rivera of Van Horn, Texas, Maria Ramirez and Susana Perez, both of Uvalde, Texas and Sally Avila of San Antonio.

One grandchild and three step-children, Richard Garza of Garden City, Kansas, Omar Garza and Raquell Trevino, both of Friona, also survive.

Hereford Craft Fair Set Dec. 6

Wesley United Methodist Church will be hosting its 17th Annual Festival of Arts Adams received a Inocencio Aguilar, Jr. of and Crafts, December 6, from certificate of achievement and Bakersfield, California, Daniel 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. at the

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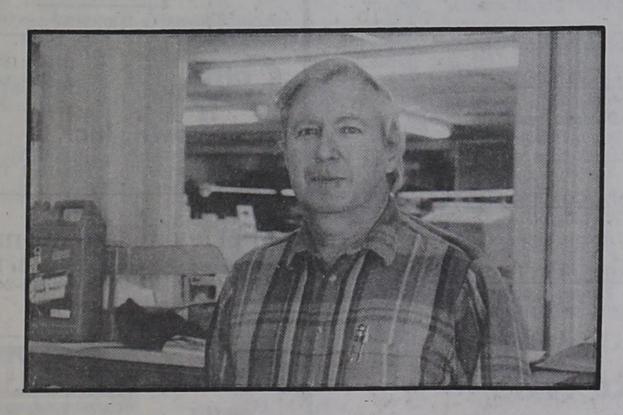
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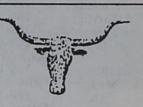
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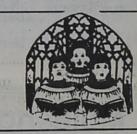
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Scooter's Scoops

By SCOOTER RUSSELL

this week for Lori Watts, 35, of Dimmitt. Her husband, Jody, grew up in Bovina. He and Lori have two small girls. Lori's parents live in

Lori died of cancer at an Amarillo hospital. We extend our sympathies to this family.

Little Jordan Windle, grandson of James and Sandra Clayton, is out of Methodist Hospital in Lubbock after having two lobes removed from his lung. He is making progress but has a long way to go.

We're happy for Lesly and Rose McCain on the birth of their first grandbaby. She was born last week and weighed nine and one half pounds. She has been named Augusta Leslee and her parents are Butch and Betty McCain of California. Congratulations!

family with them during the Thanksgiving holidays. Their Mexico. son and daughter-in-law, Rodney and Suzanne Murphy visit and lots to eat on and their sons, Adam and Thanksgiving Day. Kip, came from Abilene. They also visited Suzanne's dad, A.M. Wilson.

and son-in-law, Darlene and holiday with her. They are sons-in-law, Kara and Mike Buddy Foster and daughter James and Beverly of came from Midlothian. Their son and daughter-in-law, Brandon Melissa Caldwell and their daughter, Jaycee, were here from Lubbock. Another son, Michael Foster of Farwell and daughter Michelle and Dean Shover came from Farwell

They enjoyed a great Thanksgiving together.

Doyle and Gilda Garner and sons, Gabe, Mike and Matthew, visited with one of Gilda's sisters and her family, Delilah and Justin Lemons

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Test dates will be March 24, 25 and 26, 1998.

Funeral services were held and daughter, Rachel in Fort husband came from Lubbock.

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Gilda's brother, Adam Mejia of Bovina, went with them. The family went down on Wednesday of last week and returned home Saturday.

Vernon and Ellen Estes of Las Vegas, Nevada, are back in their home in Bovina and will be here until after Christmas. They had lots of family with them during Thanksgiving.

Their daughters Linda Marshall, Verna and Bill Strawn of Spearman and Nita Beth and Dick Dobbs of Clovis all came to Bovina.

Grandchildren there were Libby and Jae Holman of Bovina and sons, Corbin and Bailey; Shelly and Dirk Smith of Lubbock and their children, Sam and Savanna; and Scott and Mardell Strawn and son Austin of Perryton. Another grandson, Charles, came from San Angelo on Friday and Jae's Don and Juanda Murphy sister and her husband, enjoyed having all of their Audrey and Larry Powell were there from Kenna, New

The family had a good

Emma Gene Calaway's two sons and daughter-in-Capitan, New Mexico and Bobby and Shirley of Baxter Springs, Kansas.

They all arrived on Thursday and left Saturday morning. Bobby and Shirley went to Lubbock on Saturday to be with their daughter Julie and family and James and Beverly went home.

Emma Gene said they had a big turkey and all the trimmings.

We express our deepest sympathy to Rose McCain, whose sister passed away. Services for "Tiny" Morris of Levelland, were held this week in Levelland. She is survivd by her husband, Eldon, four children, a brother, Ray and a sister,

Gaylon and Shelby Rhodes had a housefull during the holidays. Their daughter Pam and son Justin came from Slaton. Their son and daughter-in-law, Jim and Joy and children, Meagan and Lance, came from Oklahoma. The Rhodes' daughter, Mendy and her

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Nelline Spicer hosted Thanksgiving dinner at her home in Bovina and had a good time with daughters, sons-in-law and grandchildren. They are Kay and Joe Stanton of Farwell and their daughter, Kristi; Nena and Mike Veazey of Hereford and their daughter, Kylee.

The family had a good time playing games following dinner.

Tiny and Maggie Moore drove to Childress for Thanksgiving and enjoyed meals and visiting with Tiny's step mom, Betty and his brother of Borger and his sisters. They spent the day and returned home that

evening. family enjoyed having Monica's friend, Emily, who came from Lubbock. On Sunday, Bubby and Linda Marshall took the Proctors and Emily to Clovis and had dinner at the Shogun Restaurant following church.

Visitors in the home of Polly Mills were her three daughters and their families. They celebrated Thanksgiving on Saturday and They Murphy's daughter laws spent the Thanksgiving Sunday. Her daughters and Fulcher, and Mike's brother, Von, came from Lorenzo; Carla and Jarad Withrow of Littlefield and their children, Layai, Emily and Jordon; Debbie and Dan Goldsmith of Dimmitt and their daughters, Rachel, who is a sophomore at Texas Women's University and Sarah, who is a freshman at West Texas A&M University in Canyon.

Debbie and family had to leave Saturday evening but the rest of the family enjoyed games in the afternoon following the noon meal and attended church together on Sunday.

Doris Strawn had thirty three members of her family with her over Thanksgiving. They were son and daughterin-law, Bill and Verna Strawn of Spearman; her grandson and his wife, Scott and Mardell Strawn and son Austin of Perryton; Doris' daughter and son-in-law, Sharla and Joe Don Ferguson and children, Taden and Ethan of Edmond, Oklahoma; granddaughter, Vonda and Richard Jack and children, Dustin and Kristi of Plano.

Also, son and daughter-inlaw, Jerry and Kay Strawn of Panhandle and their daughter, Karen; grandson and his wife, Mike and Joan Strawn and son, Caleb of Austin; and Doris' daughter, Judy Herring and daughter Haley and her son Blake of Canyon; granddaughter and her husband, Kellie and Stephen Sherrod of Amarillo; grandaughter, Shelly and Dirk Smith and children, Sam and Savanna of Lubbock.

Doris's brother and sisterin-law, Allen and Hazel Kendrick came from Lubbock to be with the family.

We celebrated two of our grandaughters' birthdays this week with meals and birthday cake and ice cream at our home in Spearman on Monday and Thursday night.

Gina Kunselman is eighteen years old and is a senior at Spearman High School. Rene' is twenty-two

Happy Birthday Bovina

Birthdays for the week of December 7-13.

Dec 7-Patricia Turner. Dec 8-Velma Grisham. Dec 9-Judith Jennings. Dec 10-Sabina Schilling,

Jerry Birdsong. Dec 11-Ken Guest, Keith Guest, Marilyn Rains, B. J.

Dec 12-Martha Buchanan, Lola Parson, Lavern Black. Dec 13-Ryan Bridenstine.

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

and moved to Spearman from Idaho in the last couple of years with husband, Todd Rindlisbacher, and they have two children, Justin and Nicki.

Like your grandkids, they are precious and grew up too

Pat and Pat Kunselman hosted several days visiting and eating with family members. Arty and Tami Kunselman and daughters, Gina and her friend, Greg, and Jame and her friend, Chuck, came from Spearman and spent four days.

Their daughter, Vicki and her husband, Leland Jennings, came from Flagg and spent time with them and their boys, Chad and Drew.

Pat's mother, Doris Monica Proctor and her Wilson, was also with them and one day the family went to Flagg and spent the day with Vicki and Leland. Ruby Wilson, a former resident of Bovina, came from the nursing home in Amherst with her daughter, Lori, to be with Vicki and family that

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A wedding shower will be given for Mrs. Michael Howard, daughter of Jack Patricia Turner Saturday, December 13, at the Community Room, First Bank of Bovina, from 2-3:30

Hostesses are Sandra Clayton, Tanya Gober, Judy Hodnett, Judy Hromas, Phyllis Steelman, Juanda Murphy, Shelby Rhodes, Carolyn Pruett, Linda Dopp, Esther Steelman, Deborah Beauchamp, Suezy Smith, Sue Nuttall and Linda Martinez.

Selections are at Floral Expressions by Celia.

Bovina ISD Lunch Menu **DEC.** 8-12

*MONDAY-Beef stew, cole slaw, crackers and cinnamon rolls.

*TUESDAY- Bar B Que on a bun, dill pickles, potato puffs and a fresh fruit variety.

*WEDNESDAY-Bean burrito, tossed salad, corn assorted salad dressing and

a fresh fruit variety.
*THURSDAY- Open face hot turkey sandwich, cream potatoes, mixed vegetables, and a fresh fruit variety.

*FRIDAY- Roast beef, cream potatoes, green beans, rolls and a fresh fruit variety.

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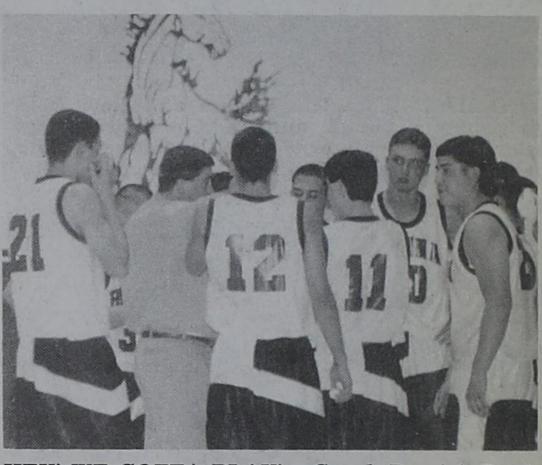
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HERE! CATCH!.....Mustang Herman Marquez (37) slams a pass to the corner during the game with New Deal last Tuesday. (Ron Carr Photo)



HEY! WE GOTTA PLAY!.....Coach Derrick Byrd does some serious talking to his Mustang boys last Tuesday. After a slow start, Bovina rallied in the second half to beat New Deal and remain undefeated at 4-0. (Ron Carr Photo)

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Lonely? Afraid? Depressed? Call CONTACT: 1-800 886-4351. Free, confidential, Anonymous. 24-Hours per

Three bedroom, two bath house for sale by owner. Corner lot, central heat and air, wood frame with attached garage. 500 Highway 86, Bovina. Call (806) 396-5612.

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Alcoholics Anonymous meetings every Saturday and Monday, 8 p.m. at Union Congregational Church on North Euclid St. in Friona. tfnc

Secretary/bookkeeper position. Experience required. Apply in person at Charles Pump, 301 21-1tc Gardner, Bovina.

CONSIGNMENTS NEEDED

For farm sale in early January. Call or contact John Tannahill at 247-3336 or 265-7902.

The City of Bovina is accepting bids for a 1989 Ford Crown Victoria.

If interested please send a sealed bid to City of Bovina P.O. Drawer KK Bovina, Texas 79009 Attn.: Sarah R. Alonzo Sealed bid

Or bring sealed bid into the office

We will be accepting sealed bids until December 8, 1997 at 5:00 P.M.

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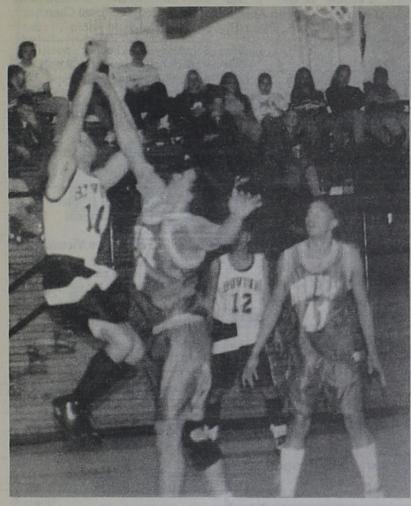
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WHO HAS IT!.....The Bovina and New Deal girls had a rough and tumble contest last Tuesday as evidenced by this contact. The ball is up there some where. (Ron Carr Photo)



NICE BLOCK.....Tony Beauchamp (10) and Herman Marquez (32) look on as a New Deal defender stuffs a shot attempt by Martin (Ron Carr Photo)



ALLEY OOP!....Tony Beauchamp (10) goes over the top of New Deal's 6'8" post man to score as Luke Steelman (12) looks on. (Ron Carr Photo)



HANDS UP EVERYBODY!....Lety Vargas finishes off a free throw with some graceful hand movements and the referee joins in too. (Ron Carr Photo)

Students Of The Month Announced

Bovina Elementary announced the December students of the month.

They are Joseph Bermea, Elizabeth Munoz, Jose Salazar, Kelsi Birdsong, Dalton Cockerham, Jessica Bachicha, Frank Martinez, Alfonso, Espinoza, Priscilla Lara, Suxey Ovalle, Cornelio Ortiz, JoAnn Martinez, Paola Montes, Isabel Guevara, Isreal Escobar, Jeffrey Casas, Javier Guevara, Sandra

Congratulations to these outstanding students.

Rites Held For Sister

Services for Catherine
"Tiny" Morris, 65, of
Levelland, were held
Wednesday, December 3,
1997 in College Avenue Baptist Church, Levelland. Rev. Bruce Cotton, pastor,

and Rev. John Ballard of First Baptist Church in Lubbock, officiated.

Burial was in the City of Levelland Cemetery.

She died Monday,
December 1, 1997 in
Methodist Hospital in

Lubbock.

Born June 3, 1932 Pep, she married Eldon Morris on March 9, 1951 in Pettit. She was a Baptist and a homemaker.

Survivors include her husband; two sons, Bobby and Jimmy, both of Levelland; two daughters, Sharon Bogener of New Home and Donna Spruiell of Levelland; a brother, Ray Sanders of Abernathy; two sisters Ruth Sheek of Pettit and Rose McCain of Bovina; and eight grandchildren.

Bovina Band Concert Dates Set

The Bovina School Band Annual Christmas concert will perform on two different days this year. The first date is set for Wednesday, December 10 at 1:30. They will perform for students in grades K through four.

The second performance is set for December 16 at 9:05 a.m. They will perform for grades five through twelve. School will start at 9:05 that day so everyone can attend

Final Winners Announced....

(Continued from Page 1) Sherbon and the grand prize winner, Jessica Stowers.

Gilda Garner and Robert Tapia were two-time winners with \$15 each.

The winningest families who played together included the mother-son combo of Carmen Porras and Robert Tapia with a total of \$55; Gilda Garner, her brother Adam Mejia and nephews, Louis Mejia and Luke and Levi Steelman also had a total of \$55 and the Stowers family who won \$45-not including the grand prize.

The Kerbys won a total of \$30, the Johnsons won \$25

and the Harrises won \$15. We've had fun grading the contest and writing the checks each week-hope you had fun playing. See you at the gridiron next year!

Post Office To Have Open House

The Bovina Postal employees will have their annual open house and customer appreciation day Tuesday, December 9 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Post Office.

Refresments will be served and everyone is invited.

Final FB Contest Standings

The Bovina Blade football contest is over and the winner is Jessica Stowers. Grand Prize was a check for \$150.

We appreciate everyone who played our contest and hope to see you next year.

141-Jessica Stowers. 138-Cameron Charles. 135-Frances Willard. 134-A.M. Wilson.

132-Carmen Porras. 131-Danny Harris. 129-Travis Lockmiller and Don Spring. 128-Jeanne Kerby.

127-Tyson Kerby. 126-Jason Kerby, Susan Kerby and Robert Tapia. 125-Christen and Dorothy

Stowers. 124-Blake Clements and Doug Johnson.

123-Frances Johnson, Josh Kerby and Virginia

122-Daniel Hernandez. 121-Dorothy Harris. 119-Jo Blackwell, Jan Smith, Roy Lee Stowers, Janie Sudderth and George

J. Villarreal. 118-Gilda Garner and Jerry Sherbon. 116-Joe Harris, Becky Johnson, Bobby Johnson and Adam Mejia.

115-David Miles, Flossie Rhinehart, Kenny Sherbon and Del Ray Sudderth.

113-Denise Anderson and Louis Mejia. 111-Woot Sudderth and

Angela Villarreal.

110-Al Kerby Jr., Walter
Kessler and Blake Sudderth.

109-Linda Sudderth. 108-Phillip Johnson. 105-Leonor Espinosa. 104-Janie Sherbon and George L. Villarreal.

103-Glendon Sudderth. 101-Peggy Hargrove. contestants can be found at the Bovina Blade office.

Ethel Johnson Will Be 90....

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church family. She is still a

member today.

Ethel and Levi enjoyed fishing at Bend, Texas which is twenty-three miles from San Saba. They enjoyed fishing with their kids and grandkids when they could.

Levi passed away April 30, 1985. Ethel continued to live on the farm until 1992 when she moved into Bovina. One of her grandsons, Charles, and his family now

live on the home place. The Johnsons have two children. Billy Johnson of Bovina and Betty Rose Lowrie of Midwest City, Oklahoma. She has five grandchildren, Scott Johnson, Charles Johnson and Sharlet McCormick of Bovina and

McCormick of Bovina and Jimmy Don Lowrie and Jeannie Pickett, both of Midwest City, Oklahoma. She has twelve greatgrandchildren and is expecting her first great-great grandbaby in 1998.

Ethel's hobbies include watching football, basketball and baseball. When her health permits, she attends Texas Tech football games with her son Billy and daughter-in-law Sandra. In years past she has gone with Billy's family to Red River over the holidays each year, where a lot of 42 and Skipbo has been played and taught to kids and grandkids.

In addition, she crochets while watching the sports on television. Her speciality is crocheting coat hangers that

crocheting coat hangers that she gives away as gifts. Ethel has made numerous quilts for her family and always seems to have one she is starting. She has been a very active member of the Bovina Senior Citizens, the Quilting Club and the 42

All of Ethel's community friends are invited to come to her nintieth birthday party and celebrate. She requests no gifts be given, but cards will be welcome.



SANTA'S HELPER.....We caught BHS senior Albert Larrea doing a good deed last week in the school hall. He was helping with the tree decoration in the hall outside the auditorium.



A complete listing of all FOCUS!....Tony Beauchamp is serious about this

