



PAVING PROJECT...A number of residents have donated time and equipment to the EMS paving project. See story elsewhere this page.



Bull Town Bulletins

By
Bill Ellis

SATURDAY IS A CRITICAL day for residents in Bovina and most of Parmer County.

To our way of thinking, the issue boils down to one simple question: Do we want adequate health care in our community, or do we want to save a few tax dollars and risk the fact that when we need a close-by hospital, we might not have one?

Parmer County Community Hospital has served the needs of area residents for well over 40 years. Down through the years, numerous lives have been saved due to the fact that the area had the hospital, along with qualified physicians.

If we lose the hospital, from lack of funding that the proposed hospital district would provide, then we lose the base of operation for the physicians, and our medical protection might begin to fade away.

All of the issues have been discussed and over-discussed in the series of public meetings.

Members of the hospital's board of directors have assured us during the meetings that the hospital cannot survive without the funds that the hospital district taxes will provide.

We heard them explain why the sales tax alone cannot create enough revenue to pay for the needed improvements, including some badly-needed equipment purchases, work on the physical plant and better situations for employees.

No one likes an increase in taxes. But, just like when you're building a new school plant, this should be one instance where you'll be able to see your taxes paying dividends through the years.

For years, Parmer County Community Hospital has stood as a monument to the dreams of area residents, who wish to provide health care for themselves, their family members and friends.

During recent tough times, the hospital has proven itself capable by managing to stay "in the black," when hundreds of rural hospitals have been forced to close.

We hope that local voters will give the hospital an opportunity to provide health care for our citizens for another 50 years. Even in recent days its ability to save lives has been underscored.

Vote "yes" on Saturday. The life you save may be your own.

WE NEVER CEASE to be amazed by the raw power of nature exhibited by a tornado.

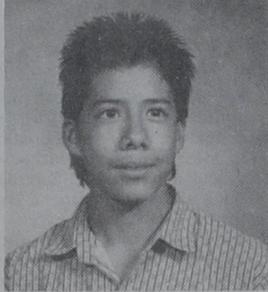
Several times during this writer's newspaper career, we have witnessed first-hand such destruction, and we did so again this week in the aftermath of the twister that hit the Lazbuddie community last Friday.

Luckily, this storm did not injure any residents, but it caused thousands of dollars in property damage.

Catching the brunt of the storm was the Marvin Mimms place. Their renters, the Roger Johnson family, escaped injury by being in the basement as their house collapsed on top of the basement. Built 65 years ago for storm protection, the basement was successful in its original purpose.



KODY WILSON



ANDY ESPINOZA

Eighth Grade Tells Honor Graduates

Graduation exercises for the 1991 eighth grade class will be held Thursday, May 23 at 8 p.m. at the Bovina Schools Auditorium.

Kody Wilson, son of Kregg and Brenda Wilson, was named the eighth grade valedictorian with an average of 96.3.

Kody has been active in football, basketball, track and is currently in the Gifted and Talented program. He is also one of the few eighth grade students taking freshman algebra classes.

He placed first in the UIL contest in science and second in dictionary skills.

He qualified to attend the Duke University Talent Identification Program in North Carolina this summer, where he will study behavioral ecology for marine organisms. He qualified by scoring 98% on his CAT test.

Wilson plans to be a doctor or an engineer and would like to attend Baylor University.

Andy Espinoza, son of Elevelina and Jesus Espinoza, Jr. was named the eighth grade

salutatorian with an average of 92.8.

Andy is active in football, basketball, track and is currently involved with the Gifted and Talented program at Bovina Junior High School.

His favorite subject is science and he placed second in that category in the UIL spring events. He also placed fifth in number sense and fourth in modern oratory. He is taking algebra classes this year.

He plans to attend the Air Force Academy and hopes to be a pilot for the Academy.

Other eighth grade graduates are Elaine Bishop, Jimmy Bonham, Benjamin Chisom, Carlos Garza, Alberto Gomez, Lance McClaran, Arnel McDaniel, Sally Noriega, Arnold Reyna and Richard Beauchamp.

Also, Roberta Borquez, Brooke Charles, David Gonzales, Floyd Jarrett, Ezequiel Lara, Ray Reyes, Alma Reyna, Louis Robles, Leonel Salazar, Lance Teague, Isabel Viernes and Wayne Stormes.

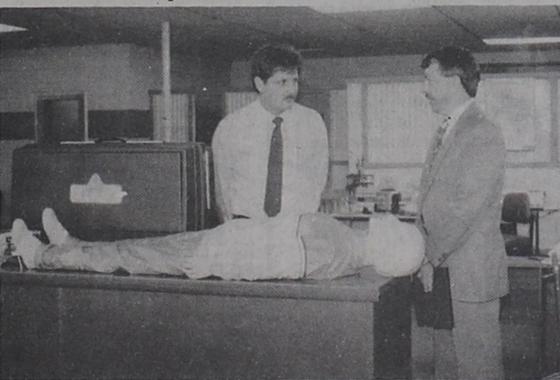
Hospital Election Slated Saturday

Saturday will be election day in most of Parmer County, as residents will vote for or against creation of a Parmer County Hospital District.

Voting will be from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. The polling places are as follows:

Friena--Fire Station; Bovina--EMS Center (formerly American Legion Hall); Rhea--Community Center; Lakeview--Dee Willard Residence; Lazbuddie--School.

Residents of the Black community will need to vote elsewhere in their precinct.



MANIKEN RECEIVED...Larry Mitchell, president of the Bovina Volunteer Ambulance Service, with John Conner, West Texas Regional Manager of the National Automobile Dealers Charitable Foundation, which presented "Resuci-Anne," a complete CPR training manikin, the latest addition to the Bovina Ambulance Service.

Honor Graduates Given For B. H. S.

Commencement exercises for Bovina's graduating class of 1991 have been scheduled for Friday, May 24 at 8 p.m. in the School Auditorium.

Belinda Dale, daughter of Donald and Nita Dale, is the class valedictorian with a four year grade point average of 96.55.

Miss Dale has attended school in Bovina thirteen years and plans to attend Eastern New Mexico University following graduation.

She has been active in basketball and track. Honors she received were Most Beautiful her senior year; Miss BHS her senior year; Basketball Queen as a freshman; class favorite three years; Student Council representative her sophomore year.

Also, valedictorian of her graduating class and on honor roll four years; "zone" best actress as a senior; district all-star cast as a senior; and area honorable mention all-star cast her senior year.

She was in NHS three years; contest play one year; on the yearbook staff two years and on the Student Council all four years.

She held the office of class president her freshman, junior and senior years and was the vice president of FHA her senior year. She is a member of the First Baptist Church.

Michelle Rane Stanberry, daughter of Dean and Wendy Stanberry, has been selected class salutatorian with a four-year average of 95.13.

She has attended school in Bovina thirteen years. She is planning to attend the University of Houston following graduation.

Honors she received during her high school career included attending the HOBY convention; attending the Y.E.S. convention, and on the honor roll all four years.

She participated in UIL and JETS competition her senior year; was in band one year; Explorer one year; NHS three years; the Student Council four years; and on the Student Council executive council three years.

Miss Stanberry held the office of class secretary three years and National Honor Society president her junior year. She enjoys being with friends and reading. She is a member of the First Baptist Church in Bovina.

Other graduating seniors are Robert Guevara, Conrado Sierra, Genaro Ruvalcaba, Jr., Cesaria Espinoza, Maria Oralia Serna, Jennifer Elgar, Penny Johnson and Wendy Jones.

Also, Keri Mitchell, Rey DeLaRosa, Leonor Espinoza, Elaine Garza, Virginia Noriega, Diana Carrillo, Marko Lesic and Lupe Gomez.

Course Is Offered

Bovina Independent School District, in cooperation with Region XVI Education Service Center, is sponsoring Adult Basic Education classes this summer. The classes are designed for adults who have not finished high school.

Classes will be offered to assist students in achieving a certificate of high school equivalency (GED). Instruction will also be given in reading, writing, English and arithmetic. The classes will include hands-on experience in the new computer lab at Bovina.

The classes will be scheduled from July 16 through August 9, on Tuesday and Thursday nights. The times will be from 7-9 p.m.

Anyone interested in the classes should contact the school.

TEMPERATURES

Date	Hi-Low
Saturday, May 11	88-61
Sunday, May 12	86-59
Monday, May 13	89-57
Tuesday, May 14	91-56
Wednesday, May 15	89-53
Thursday, May 16	81-51
Friday, May 17	83-53



BELINDA DALE



MICHELLE STANBERRY



COMPETE AT STATE...Donna Griggs and Corey Kirkpatrick were Bovina's representatives at the 1991 state track and field meet. Miss Griggs won a third-place medal in the high jump, and Kirkpatrick placed fifth in the 300-meter intermediate hurdles race.

Donna G., Corey K. Compete At State

Corey Kirkpatrick and Donna Griggs participated in the 1991 U.I.L. State Track and Field Championships in Austin at the University of Texas campus on May 11.

Donna Griggs competed in the high jump Saturday morning and finished third with a jump of 5-3. She received a bronze medal for her performance. She also competed in the 100-meter hurdles and finished in fourth place with a time of 16.00.

Corey Kirkpatrick competed in the 300-meter intermediate hurdles on Saturday afternoon and finished in fifth place with a time of 39.9.

There are four regions in Class A in the state of Texas. Two

athletes advance to the state level in each track and field event from each region. These eight athletes compete in their respective events in Austin.

There are no preliminary events in track at the state meet, all events are finals. The athletes who advance to Austin each year are an elite group of youth. They perform in front of 35,000 to 40,000 cheering fans.

Attending the track meet in Austin with the athletes were Coach Ventura, Coach Bray, Kim Kirkpatrick, Robert Guevara, Daryl and Karen Kirkpatrick, Brenda Griggs, Misty Stewart, Richard Beauchamp, Jenn Beauchamp and Brad Scruggs.

EMT Lot To Be Paved

Last week, we prepared the parking area for paving. We are fortunate in Bovina to have so many volunteers.

Tom Ware sent his equipment and men from the county and the city used all our men and equipment. It looked a little strange to see fire trucks there, but it worked fine.

Tom Beauchamp came by and saw what we were doing and graciously donated all the caliche needed for the job.

John Dixon is the man to thank for getting the trucks to haul the caliche. Sherley Grain sent a truck

and a driver, Leon Ware was there with a truck and Richard Morris, our city engineer, helped by shooting the grade.

All this effort and donation will save over five thousand dollars on the paving contract. Appian Corp. of Hereford will complete the job with a two inch blacktop in the near future.

Those helping with this effort were Andy Garza, Daniel Rodriguez, Jesus Bermea, Haden Walling, Ben Marquez, Lee Marquez and Gene Hutto. If I missed anyone, I am sorry, but you know you are appreciated.

By Mayor Keith Knight



CHEERLEADERS NAMED...The 1991-92 cheerleaders have been named for B.H.S. From bottom to top are Donna Griggs, head cheerleader, Ione Molinar, Nancy Vargas, Stephanie Rackley, Kim Kirkpatrick and Brooke Charles.

REFLECTIONS

...from The Bovina Blade

35 YEARS AGO--MAY 16, 1956
The doors of First National Bank of Bovina will swing open at three o'clock. The formal opening and open house will last until eight o'clock.

The Bovina Mustangs won their third district baseball championship in a row Tuesday afternoon as they plastered Adrian, 14-2. The game was the second of a best two out of three series. Bovina won the first game last Friday, 2-0.

Mr. and Mrs. Buck Ellison returned Saturday night, May 5, from Truth or Consequences, New Mexico, where they had spent about two weeks fishing.

30 YEARS AGO--MAY 17, 1961

Miss Grace Paul, principal of Bovina Elementary School, has been named in the 1962 edition of "Who's Who in American Education." Miss Paul is a member of Delta Xi chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma society, a teachers organization; Texas State Teachers Association; Texas Elementary Principals and Supervisors Association and other professional organizations.

Parmer County state highway maintenance crew is now operating out of its new building on West Highway 86 in Bovina, Lloyd Killough, foreman, announces.

Mrs. Travis McPherson was feted with a get acquainted pink and blue shower Thursday morning in the home of Mrs. Malcolm Kennedy.

25 YEARS AGO--MAY 18, 1966
Patsy Cumpton, daughter of

Mr. and Mrs. C.D. Cumpton and Bovina High School senior, has been notified that she has been awarded an academic scholarship to West Texas State University in Canyon for the coming school year.

Miss Melissa Woodson was installed as Worthy Advisor of Rainbow Assembly 158 in formal installation ceremonies Monday night at the Masonic Hall.

Sonny Spurlin was named Bovina's Outstanding Jaycee at the annual installation banquet of Bovina Junior Chamber of Commerce Thursday night in the school cafeteria. Later in the program, he was installed as president of the organization.

A minor fire on the Dalton Caffey farm east of Bovina Thursday afternoon was extinguished by members of the Bovina Volunteer Fire Department. Feed bundles near a barn on the farm were burning. The flames were put out quickly by the firemen and they were successful in keeping the fire from spreading.

20 YEARS AGO--MAY 19, 1971

Ground breaking ceremonies for a new building for St. Ann's Catholic Church were conducted at the site Sunday morning.

Miss Nancy Pewitt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Pewitt of Bovina, is a candidate for her bachelor of arts degree at commencement exercises of McMurry College in Abilene, Sunday afternoon.

Alan D. Carson, a junior at New Mexico Highlands University, was elected as senator of the student

body during recent elections. Sprinter Barbara Griffith brought home a second place in the 60-yard dash in the girls' state track meet held in Abilene last weekend.

15 YEARS AGO--MAY 19, 1976

Kara Mills and Kirtus Garrison are valedictorian and salutatorian respectively, of the eighth grade class at Bovina Junior High School.

Lowell Boozer, Ken Horn, Dickie Clayton and Richard Carson attended the state convention in Fort Worth this past weekend.

Two shots were fired at City Marshall Mike Reilly Tuesday morning when he surprised a man attempting to break into the back entrance of Don's Medicine Chest on Third Street. The incident occurred about 1:30 a.m.

10 YEARS AGO--MAY 20, 1981

Honor graduates were announced this week and valedictorian is Kathy Williams, salutatorian is Karen Schilling, and other honor students were Karen Hughes, Darla Morris, Pam Spring and Fonda Griffin.

Pageant winners in the "Little Miss" contest were Sunshine Stone, Loren McCoy and Tiffany Glasscock.

Former Bovina resident, Craig Skaggs, was killed in Houston on Tuesday, May 12. Skaggs was orphaned several years ago and was raised by his grandparents, Mrs. E.A. Hromas is a survivor.

5 YEARS AGO--MAY 21, 1986

A combined baccalaureate and commencement service will be held Friday, May 30 in the High School Auditorium for twenty-four students who have completed requirements for graduation.

The senior class valedictorian is Blake Scaff. Salutatorian is Marie Pesch. Scaff is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Scaff and Pesch is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Pesch. Scaff had a four year grade point average of 94.2 and Miss Pesch had an average of 90.38.



Tom, Jim and Joe Black

Brothers Meet In Oklahoma

Joe and Laverne Black just returned from a weekend trip to visit Joe's mother, Mary Brooks, who lives in Beaver, Oklahoma. Joe and Laverne left Saturday evening and spent Mother's Day with Mrs. Brooks.

Joe's two brothers and their wives, Jim and Maxine from Booker and Tom and Billie from Dalhart, joined them. One niece, Linda, and her family from Lavern, Oklahoma, were also there.

Joe and Laverne left Beaver Monday morning and went to Boise City, Oklahoma, where Joe and his two brothers were raised. They looked around Boise City a little. The old house where Joe and his brothers lived with their dad is still standing.

They left Boise City and started on to Kenton, Oklahoma, where Joe's dad, uncles and aunts were raised.

On their way to Kenton, they stopped to take some pictures of the Santa Fe Trail marker. While there, they ran into some government men who were there working and one of these men remembered Joe and his brothers.

After leaving there they drove on to Kenton. Joe showed Laverne the Old Maid Rock and a dinosaur bone which Joe's uncle helped dig up back during the 1930s.

They stopped and looked at the old house where Joe's grandad and grandmother had lived. The old garage is still partly standing where his grandad had a filling station during the 1930s.

While there, Joe met another man he knew when he was about 13 or 14 years old. Joe cooked on a farm between Dalhart and Boise City for him and three other men.

Joe and Laverne went on up to the cemetery where his dad, an uncle and his wife are buried, along with his Grandad and Grandma Black.

Later they started home and traveled through Moses, Seneca, Clayton, Texline, Dalhart, Vega, Hereford and then back into home base, Bovina!

Shower Set Here Sun.

There will be a baby shower for Alexa Clayton, baby daughter of Ted and Starlia Clayton, on Sunday, May 19 from 3-4:30 p.m.

The shower will be given in the home of Suezey Smith at 804 Halsell Street, Bovina. Hostesses for the shower are Mrs. Smith, Dorothy Sorley, Juanda Murphy, Sue Barrett, Jana Barrett, Laqueta Garner, Carolyn Pruitt, Nita Dale and Phyllis Steelman.

H-E Club To Meet Tuesday

Bovina's Home Extension Club will meet on Tuesday, May 21 at 7 p.m. The meeting will be held at First Bank.

The program will be presented by Arla Waters and Kristi Steelman. It is entitled "Set Your Butterflies Free."

This will be the club's last meeting before the summer break. Meetings will begin again in September.

School Lunch Menu

- WEEK OF MAY 20-24**
MONDAY--nachos, beans, corn, cowboy bread and milk.
TUESDAY--corn dogs, baked beans, fruit and milk.
WEDNESDAY--barbecue sandwiches, potato salad, fruit and milk.
THURSDAY--bologna sandwiches, chips, salad, fruit and milk.
FRIDAY--no school.

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION CIVIL

THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: THE ESTATE OF HELEN BERAN, HER HEIRS, THE LIVING HEIRS WHOSE WHEREABOUTS OR ADDRESSES CANNOT BE ASCERTAINED, HER UNKNOWN HEIRS, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF HER UNKNOWN HEIRS, AND ANY INCOMPETENT OR MINOR INTERESTED IN HER ESTATE

GREETING:

NOTICE

You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of forty-two days after you were served this citation and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed in the 72ND DISTRICT COURT of Lubbock, County, Texas, on the 7TH DAY OF MARCH, 1991, the file number of said suit being No. 91-533,070.

You are commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock a.m. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this citation, the same being Monday the 10TH DAY OF JUNE, 1991 at or before 10 o'clock a.m., before the Honorable 72ND DISTRICT COURT of Lubbock County, Texas, at the Court House in Lubbock, Texas.

The names of the parties in said suit are:

IN RE:
 THE HELEN BERAN TRUST

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit:

PETITIONER BILL BERAN, NAMED BENEFICIARY UPON THE NATURAL TERMINATION OF THE HELEN BERAN TRUST HAS FILED A PETITION, NAMING AS RESPONDENTS THE OTHER NAMED PERSONS IN THE HELEN BERAN TRUST, WHICH INCLUDE ALVINA RUTH BERAN KEETON, MARY ANN BERAN ALLEN, AND JOHN R. BERAN, AS RESPONDENTS. THE PETITION SEEKS A JUDICIAL TERMINATION OF THE HELEN BERAN TRUST WHICH WAS ESTABLISHED BY THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF HELEN BERAN, DECEASED, DATED NOVEMBER 18, 1969, AND ADMITTED TO PROBATE IN CAUSE NO. 13,914 IN THE COUNTY COURT OF LUBBOCK, TEXAS, IN AN ORDER DATED MARCH 27, 1973. THE NAMED BENEFICIARIES UPON THE NATURAL TERMINATION OF THE TRUST ARE: BILL BERAN, MARY ANN BERAN ALLEN AND JOHN R. BERAN. THIS CITATION IS TO SERVE NOTICE ON ANY POTENTIAL CONTINGENT BENEFICIARIES WHOSE INTEREST MIGHT BE AFFECTED BY A JUDICIAL TERMINATION. THE CORPUS OF THE HELEN BERAN TRUST IS COMPOSED OF REAL PROPERTY WHICH IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

DENVER PROPERTY: A RESIDENTIAL HOME LOCATED AT 1434 BELLAIRE, DENVER, COLORADO 80220.

LUBBOCK COUNTY FARM: 160 ACRES IN LUBBOCK COUNTY, TEXAS, THAT BEING THE SOUTHEAST ONE-QUARTER (SE/4) OF SECTION 16, BLOCK S, LOCATED ABOUT 8 MILES OF SOUTHEAST OF THE CITY OF LUBBOCK, TEXAS.

PARMER COUNTY FARM: 320 ACRES IN PARMER COUNTY, TEXAS, THAT BEING THE NORTH ONE-HALF (N/2) OF SECTION 29, BLOCK X OF THE W.D. & F.W. JOHNSON SUBDIVISION OF CAPITAL SYNDICATE LANDS, LOCATED ABOUT 9 MILES NORTHWEST OF THE TOWN OF MULESHOE, TEXAS.

BAILEY COUNTY FARM: 210 ACRES IN BAILEY COUNTY, TEXAS, THAT BEING ALL OF THE NORTH-EAST QUARTER (NE/4) OF SECTION 14, BLOCK X, W.D. & F.W. JOHNSON SUBDIVISION, BAILEY COUNTY, TEXAS; AND ALL OF THAT PART AND PORTION LYING NORTH AND EAST OF THE RAILROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER (SE/4) OF SECTION 14, BLOCK X, W.D. & F.W. JOHNSON SUBDIVISION, BAILEY COUNTY, TEXAS.

IF THIS CITATION IS NOT SERVED WITHIN NINETY (90) DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF ITS ISSUANCE, IT SHALL BE RETURNED UNSERVED.

Plaintiff is represented by:
 DON R. RICHARDS, P.O. BOX 2547, LUBBOCK, TEXAS 79408

Given under my hand and seal of said Court at Lubbock, Texas, this the 25TH DAY OF APRIL, 1991.

WAYNE LECROY, District Clerk
 Lubbock County, Texas
 904 Broadway, Lubbock, Texas

By CINDY CRUMLEY, Deputy

THANK YOU, BOVINA

We would like to take this opportunity to say "Thank You" to the fine people of Bovina for all of their support and words of encouragement before we left for the State Track Meet in Austin. A special word of thanks to the Bovina Booster Club for the Good Luck Breakfast on Friday morning and to everyone who attended. The State Track Meet was the experience of a lifetime, and we were proud to represent Bovina.

Corey Kirkpatrick and Donna Griggs

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Angler's Corner

By M.D. McCALLUM

Low water levels, increased user fees, mercury...the news has been full of these angling related topics the past few weeks. If this wasn't enough, animal rights extremists continue their mission to ban hunting and, as hard as it may seem to believe, the cattle industry is on their hit list as well. Surely these well meaning, but misguided people, will view fishing with equal disdain. It bears watching if these hobbies interest you.

Recent developments:

Mercury...the mere mention of the toxic substance can send a lake's economy plunging downward as witnessed by the recent events concerning some Eastern New Mexico lakes. While we will have to keep our eye out for developments at Ute and Conchas, Lake Meredith recently received a clean bill of health by the State of Texas.

Drought/low water levels...Conchas and Meredith are both below pool level several feet. No word on Ute, Greenbelt or MacKenzie. Look for the bass and other sunfish to be holding near the warmer water off the shoreline. Low water levels can improve fishing by concentrating the fish on the available structure.

User fees...Effective September 1, 1991, all license fees will be increased for Texas waters. Fee schedules are available at Texas State Parks or The Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission in Austin.

The white bass action should be picking up at Ute Lake. Look for surface breaking baitfish. Stay away from the immediate area and cast towards the school until it sounds, then move on to the spot and fish vertical with spoons, jigs or bait. Action is best at daylight or just after and late in the evening.

It might be worth a run all the way up the Canadian River arm to look for the whites. In past years, this has proven to be a hot spot for them even though they can be caught around the marina and other parts of the lake.

With the water warming up, the catfish bite should also be picking up as these fish rarely feed below 50 degrees and prefer 60-plus. Look for the walleyes to be moving to their summer haunts in deep water. This can be a difficult time to locate them until the water warms a little more. Early evening and night will still find them in the shallows.

NOTICE

Energas Company hereby gives notice of its intent to implement new gas rates, service charges and security deposit policies for domestic, public authority, commercial, small industrial and large air conditioning type customer classes in and around the cities and towns listed below, effective May 24, 1991. It is anticipated that the new rates and charges will increase the revenues of the company by approximately seven percent and therefore constitutes a "major change."

A Statement of Intent to change the rates was filed with the Texas Railroad Commission and each incorporated city on or about April 19, 1991, and is available for inspection at the company's Lubbock office, 5110 80th Street, Lubbock, Texas 79408. A copy is also available for inspection at your local Energas office.

COMMUNITIES AFFECTED:

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| Amherst | Odessa |
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| Bovina | Opyoke West |
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| Buffalo Springs Lake | Panhandle |
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STORM'S RAVAGE...The debris left by the twister that hit the Marvin Mimms place near Lazbuddie resembled bombing damage. Trailers were employed to pick up the debris.



STUDENTS ASSIST...Members of the Lazbuddie FFA and FHA classes turned out Tuesday to pick up debris in the field at the Marvin Mimms place at Lazbuddie. Over 100 students took part in the project.

Citizens' Group Is Named By Court

A citizens advisory board has been named by the Parmer County Commissioners to help with the problem of re-districting the county's precinct boundaries.

Previously this year, the commissioner's court employed a law firm to advise with the project, which is mandated by the federal government to co-incide with the decennial census count. The firm's report is forthcoming.

Citizens named to the committee include:

- Bovina--Pearl Cervantes, Kaye Williams and Edwin Lide.
- Farwell--Maria Lopez, Hugh Moseley and Richard Haseloff.
- Friona--Pat Fleming, Matilda Baca, Carol Ellis and Jerry Cass.
- Lazbuddie--Billie Powell and Scott Brown.

The committee was appointed at the commissioners' regular meeting this past Monday.

In other business, the court voted to seek bids for carpeting on

the third floor of the courthouse, which is being renovated for office purposes;

*Approved the use of the courthouse lawn for the Border Town Days arts and crafts fair;

*Agreed to pay one-third of the cost for the sheriff's department to participate in the law enforcement TV network for personnel training;

*Scheduled their next meeting for Tuesday, May 28, as Memorial Day falls on their regular meeting date.

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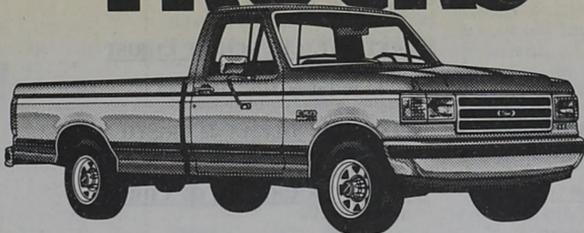
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Local Couple Meets Interesting Woman

By SCOOTER RUSSELL
We've been going to the mountains and spending time at the camp grounds several years and during this time have met some real interesting people.

Last week we were in the Cimarron Canyons and we had the privilege of meeting Buelah "Bimbi" Mountjoy, who had been traveling the states since April, 1990.

She is 70 years old and her home is in Smithfield, Virginia, Isle of Wight County. She had been on the road thirteen months and was on her way back to Virginia when we met and visited for a short time.

She is the mother of five, grandmother of nine and also great-grandmother of nine.

She and a friend left Virginia in April, 1990, and drove to Sacramento, California, and her friend flew back to Virginia and Bimbi toured many states. One time she and her daughter, Linda, who lives in Smartville, California, took a ten day trip into the edge of Canada and visited friends. She also spent two months in Phoenix, Arizona, visiting with a sister.

While traveling, she spent most nights sleeping in the 1983 Plymouth station wagon. She carried food with her and also had meals in restaurants with friends and family along the way.

One time she rented a small camper and spent a short time there while visiting people and taking in the area sights.

One night she said she just drove out on a pasture and spent the night and enjoyed watching the stars and moon. She said in Virginia there were so many trees that she had fallen in love with the wide open spaces in the west.

She loved the desert. The weather had been very nice and she was out west during the winter months, so had not had any trouble "weatherwise."

When asked if she had had car trouble, she said the car had 110,000 miles on it when she left home and during the trip she put 30,000 more miles on it.

Just before leaving Virginia, she had a new motor put in the car and said a red light kept coming on. She asked a mechanic about it, and he said for her to just put a black piece of tape on it and forget it because it could take a long, long time to find out what was causing it to come on.

Luckily, the tornado did not injure anyone. The Johnsons rode out the storm in their basement, and it spared the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mimms, only about 1/4 mile away.

The roof of the Johnsons' home was ripped off. Most of the ceiling and much insulation and debris fell back inside the house. The family was trapped inside the basement for about an hour, as the debris covered the basement entrance.

Mimms said he saw the cloud approaching his home from the south. It hit a pivot sprinkler system that was running, and he saw the twister suck water and mud into the air.

"When I saw the water going up instead of down, I knew something was wrong," Mimms said.

Those who observed the twister said it was from 1/4 to 1/2 mile wide, and there were four small (finger) funnels following the main one. Someone even managed to get the cloud on videotape, and it has been shown on area television stations.

The tornado practically went through one door of a 100-foot quonset barn, and out the other, taking items with it as it did so.

Four trucks and a large cotton stripper were damaged. The large stripper was laid over on its side. An old wooden "milk barn" was completely demolished. Trees were uprooted and power lines were snapped.

The Mimms home sustained heavy damage, mostly to its roof and to windows, but was spared the devastation of the older house.

The main items salvaged by the Johnson family were their washer and dryer. Although several things were left in the house, they were ruined by mud for the most part.

The Lazbuddie Fire Department and E.M.S. System were credited with giving the Mimms and Johnson family warnings about the approaching tornado. Members of the Lazbuddie Fire Department followed the tornado cloud for some time, staying behind it.

The Johnsons were at home with their two youngest children, four and ten-year old daughters. Their teenage son, Justin, was away

traveled to a small place called Datil. She had lunch at a table at a roadside park and was the only one there.

When she left, she forgot her purse on the table. The purse contained her driver's license, all of her money, which was over \$700 and about \$3,000 worth of jewelry. She traveled on to Magdalena, which was another 70 miles down the road and turned into a gas station for gas when she discovered her purse was missing.

Now she had no identification, no money and an empty gas tank. The lady at the Chevron station gave her \$5 for a small diamond ring. She bought gas and turned around to go back.

She traveled back to Datil and when she came to the roadside park, there were two men sitting at the table and they asked, "Are you Buelah?" They told her a lady had found her purse and said she would turn it in at the Reserve Sheriff's Department.

"Bimbi" drove another 70 miles to Reserve and said when she arrived there at the sheriff's department, the gas dial showed below empty on her car. Her purse was returned to her and had been found by Nan Burns of Reserve, New Mexico. Mrs. Burns was the senior citizen's director of the Catron County Commission on Aging. (She had only looked at the identification on the inside and had not counted the money. Bimbi's

children became excited when Mrs. Burns had called them and told them she'd found their mother's purse on the table of a roadside park, but didn't know where their mother was.)

Bimbi's son was staying at her home in Virginia and Mrs. Burns had called from information found in Bimbi's purse.

Mrs. Mountjoy lives in a three story, ten room, four bath home and was left to raise four children when the youngest was seven years old and the oldest was a junior in high school. She worked in a restaurant, drug store, bank and ran a rooming house to provide for her family.

She said when each of the children left home, she rented out their room and made more money.

She was born in Virginia and lived all her life in the same county. When she was 55 years old, she decided to do something she'd always wanted to do. She went to Hawaii for 2 1/2 years and learned to scuba dive. She thoroughly enjoyed this!

Bimbi is a delightful person with the energy of a youngster. She told us her next trip was going to be to Orlando, Florida in August to visit her 92-year-old mother, Cora Savelge.

When she left after visiting for five hours, she gave us a hug, told us she loved us and left. She promised to call when she reached Virginia.

Tornado Ravages Lazbuddie Dwelling

A Lazbuddie community family's dwelling and most of their belongings were completely destroyed by a mammoth tornado last Friday night.

The twister destroyed the home of Roger and Debbie Johnson, who lived four miles north, 1 1/4 miles west of Lazbuddie, and did considerable damage to other property on the Marvin Mimms farm, where the Johnsons' home was located.

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from home at an FFA event. Johnson is employed as a cowboy-veterinarian at Bovina Feeders.

The family is new in the Lazbuddie community this year, and the community has opened its arms and heart to help them over their losses.

Bobby Redwine has offered the family a house in which to live. Churches in the community have responded with donations, as have individuals. Anyone wishing to contribute cash or items may contact any Lazbuddie church.

Mimms pointed out that two 500-gallon gas tanks were turned over by the wind, and most of the fuel spilled out, running across a roadway.

"With all the traffic we had following the storm, it's a wonder that gas was never ignited. That could have made things a lot worse. We're in good shape—we're all alive," Mimms said.

Mimms is the Lazbuddie resident who received a kidney donated by his 72-year-old brother, Pete Mimms, in a transplant operation last November. He is recovering nicely from the surgery, and says he feels better than he has in years.

After the "big blow" last Friday, Mr. and Mrs. Mimms looked in the direction of their neighbors the Johnsons, and could see no house standing where it had stood for the past 65 years.

Mimms called his brother, who came over, and aided by the fire department, began the task of getting to the Johnsons, trapped in the basement.

There was a small opening, about two or three feet wide, and Pete volunteered to go through the hole and help get the family out,

which he did. The twister damaged windshields and radiators, as well as other physical damage to the farm trucks.

At one point while the group was trying to get the Johnsons out of their basement, the farm was hit by a second blast of wind, and they thought for a time another tornado was bearing down on them, so strong was the wind.

The tornado went north to northwest from the Mimms place, damaging a sprinkler belonging to Doug Rice. It continued northward and is blamed for damage sustained to the barn at the Clyde Woodard place three miles east of Hub. Large cedar trees were also uprooted at the Woodard's.

Some marble-sized hail accompanied the storm in the Lazbuddie area, and killed some young cotton that had come up. Young corn in the path of the funnel was damaged.

The area received from three-fourth of an inch to one inch of rain, and this was welcomed, even though it fell in a short period of time. It was the first measurable moisture received in Parmer County in some time.

Three busloads of students from Lazbuddie High school came to the Mimms farm on Tuesday and helped pick up trash and debris scattered by the tornado. Over 100 students participated.

Members of the FFA and Home Economics classes took the lead in the clean-up activities.

"We are real fortunate to live in a community that cares like ours does. We appreciate all they have done and are doing," Mimms commented.



SIGHTSEEING, USA....Bimbi Mountjoy of Smithville, Virginia, has been traveling across the United States since April, 1990, and last week visited with Bovina residents in the Cimarron Canyons of New Mexico.



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Les and Rose McCain spent a fun-filled weekend visiting their sons, Ben and Butch McCain in Oklahoma City recently. While there, they stayed with Butch and his wife Betty. Both Ben and Butch work at Channel 5-KOCO, in Oklahoma City.

They all attended a silent Celebrity Auction, held at the

Mother's Dinner Successful

The annual Mother's Day Dinner, sponsored by the Bovina Lion's Club, was a success again this year. Although they had about 150 people show up for the dinner, it was a little short from last year.

The menu consisted of fried chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, cole slaw, hot rolls, ice cream, tea and coffee.

Everyone left with a full stomach and a nap on their minds, especially the Lion's Club members who worked so hard to make the dinner a success.

Club Discusses Health Care

The Bovina Women's Study Club held their meeting May 9 at First Bank. They had a discussion on the high cost of health care.

Those present were Jo Looney, Doris Lawlis, Arty Faye O'Hair, June McMeans, Carlean Jones, Yvonne Stevenson, Alma Clayton, Norma Whitten and Aileen Russell.

Refreshments were served by Carlean Jones. She served sandwiches, apple cake and iced tea. This will be their last meeting until September.

Cowboy Hall of Fame, which benefits the Children's Medical Research in Oklahoma City. They were able to meet celebrities, such as Ben Johnson, Wilfred Brimley, Rex Lynn, Tim Scott and Red Stegal.

They also attended the Ben Johnson Pro Celebrity Team Roping and Penning held each year in Guthrie, Oklahoma, at the Lazy E Arena. Ben and Butch won second place in the team penning.

They all had a nice visit and a full weekend of events which will be fondly remembered in the years to come.

Les and Rose McCain spent Mother's Day in Littlefield visiting Les' mother, Leona McCain, and his sister and her husband, Claudie and Eldon Hill.

My husband, Randy, and I and our three daughters, Jessica, Crystal and Valerie, spent Saturday evening in the home of my parents, Tommy and Barbara Hall of Muleshoe.

We had an early Mother's Day celebration with a cookout in the back yard and the kids had a ball playing in the goldfish pond. It was a nice visit and a great early Mother's Day. Happy Mother's Day, mom!

Elton and Marie Venable had company over Mother's Day weekend, their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Owen Moore of Lubbock visited, along with their son, Logan Venable, also of Lubbock. Bovina residents, Radford and Kay Venable, and their children, Bud, Rusty and Amy, also joined them for their Mother's Day celebration.

Radford had surgery Thursday in Hereford, but was able to return home on the same day and is recuperating at home. He is doing fine.

Bud is home from college in Levelland and will be working for

the State Highway Department.

Dutch Dean, father of Gladys Spring, was taken to the hospital in Friona Thursday morning where he remains unimproved. He is currently undergoing evaluation at this time. We will keep you updated on his condition.

Don and Juanda Murphy attended a Murphy family reunion at Abilene State Park over the weekend. They have a son, Rodney and his wife, Susan, and their two children, Kip and Adam, who live in Abilene with whom they enjoyed visiting. They came home Sunday night after an enjoyable Mother's Day celebration.

Floyd Damron's condition has improved but he still isn't up to par. Mary said he had been feeling bad over the weekend but seemed to be better on Monday.

Mary said Floyd hasn't been resting well at night, which seems to wear him out. She also said she was holding up rather well and that good health is something everyone should be thankful for!

A.M. and Mary Jane Wilson spent a week in Ruidoso, N.M., recently. They have a time-share home there, where they spend a week each year. They went to the races and several parties at the Jockey Club and Turf Club. Friends of theirs from Clovis, Mary and Jack Hopkins, went with them.

Besides watching the races, they did a lot of eating out and shopping. They all had a nice time.

A week ago Sunday, Jim and Scooter Russell went to Perryton and had dinner with friends, Fred and Gloria Morgan.

Then on Tuesday, they took their trailer to Eagle Nest, N.M. and spent the week fishing in the Cimarron Canyon. Friday, their daughter and her husband,

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The family of Pete Rocha wishes to thank all of their family and friends for their prayers, cards, flowers, memorial gifts and for the many expressions of love and concern. Special thanks to the Fire Department and Excel Corp. for all their help.

Viola, Brandy & Pete Rocha, Jr.

Tammie and Arty Kunselman, drove up and spent the weekend. Gina and Jamie, their granddaughters, entered a fishing derby on Saturday held at the camp grounds.

They all had a good time fishing, visiting and relaxing!

Erma Bradshaw had a wonderful Mother's Day starting with a visit from her daughter, Dyalthia DeFever from Amarillo. They attended church services together and then had lunch and enjoyed a nice long visit together.

While Dyalthia was there, Erma received phone calls from her other two children, Ella Bishop from Houston and Jeff and Avis Bradshaw from Lubbock. They all wished her the best Mother's Day ever.

Each one must find a quiet place within his heart where he may go and sit quietly and for a space drink deeply where still waters flow.

Thanks for all your help on the Scoops this week. I really appreciate it. Have a good week... Carrie.

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May 18, 1991

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AGAINST

"La creacion del distrito de hospital del Condado de Parmer y coleccion de impuestos anuales para proposito de hospital el tosar no exceder 25¢ Por \$100.00 Valor de toda propiedad Impuesable en el distrito."

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