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Santa Saw . .

Naughty:

Old man winter for blowing such a gale when people are trying to get ready for the Holidays!

Karen Brown for making Skye wrap her own Christmas present.

Kenneth Sweatt said he belongs on this list but would not admit why!

Everyone who got out in the wind Monday, who could have stayed home.

Nice:

Which ever little elf fixed the garland across Main Street near City Hall, thank you!

All the emergency workers (fire and ambulance) who spent all of Sunday and Monday coming and going due to the wind storm.

Melody Burton for helping her "poor old" Mom put up the Christmas tree.

Pav for treating wife, Toni, to a nice breakfast at the Dairy Queen last week.

Tommy Talley for putting up his Mom's (Katie) Christmas lights on her house this weekend.

Groom Ettes Win First In Samnorwood Tourney

The Groom Tigerettes won the Samnorwood Invitational Tournament over the weekend. Easily out distancing the Wellington Junior Varsity in the opening round of play, the Ettes won 57-21. Misty Homen scored 21 points to lead the way to victory. Melanie Friemel also did an outstanding job scoring 10 points. Kay Case added 8, Rebecca Conrad 7, Jill Howard 5, Sandie Conrad 4, and Melissa Treadwell 2.

The Ettes defense held Wellington to under 20 points for the first three

See Ettes, pg. 12

High Winds Create Havoc For Area

"Just a nice little ol' Texas Panhandle breeze," said an unidentified source of this weeks unseasoned winds.

40 to 60 mile an hour gusts played havoc with just about everything Sunday and Monday. Firefighters and ambulance workers were kept busy on those days.

South winds and a small trash fire soon developed into a hazard for motorists on I-40 on Sunday afternoon. The property

just north of 7th and Martin was quickly engulfed in flames fed by strong winds. I-40 was closed for a short time as the smoke grew too thick to see through. A small fender bender occurred when an 18 wheeler bumped into the back of a pick up. No injuries occurred and damaged was minimal. The fire was put out but later smoldering fence posts and high winds quickly revived the flames. Sparks were
See Wind, pg. 6



Smoke and fire raced up the embankment toward I-40, stopping traffic for awhile. Strong south winds kept the blaze from doing major damage on the southwest side of town.

NOTICE

All live Christmas trees and larger boxes will be allowed to be placed in the big dumpster at City Hall, free of charge, from now until the end of December. Please do not put these items in street dumpsters.

Council Condemns Property, Sets Deadlines For Cleanup

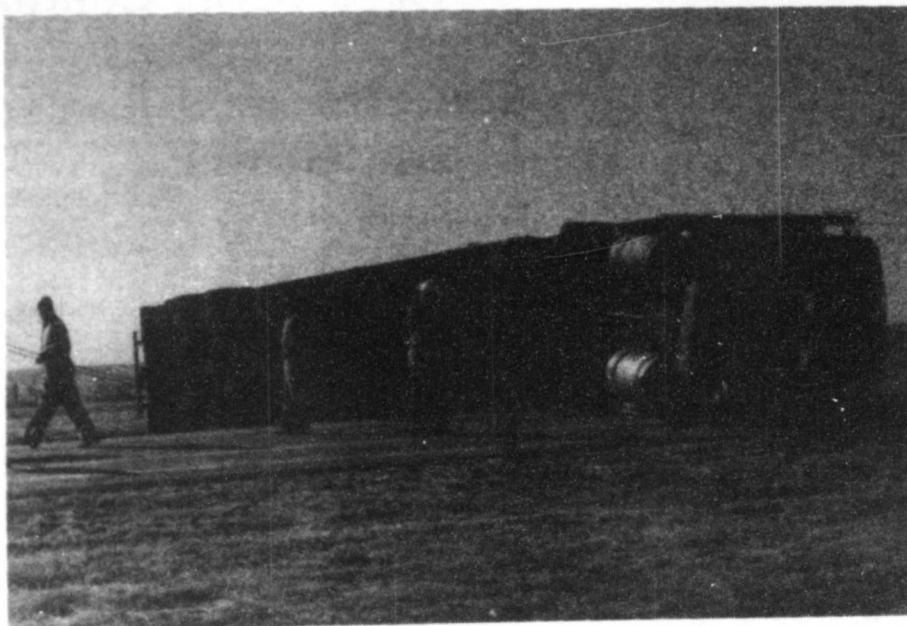
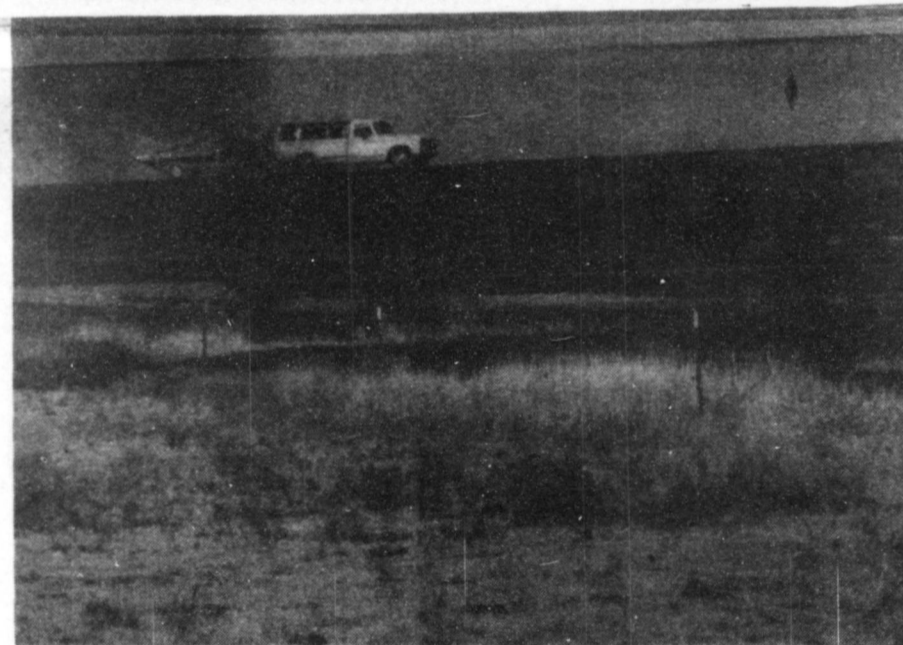
In regular meeting of the Groom City Council, the Mayor called the meeting to order with the following members present: Mayor Greg Lamb, Alderman R.E. Cornett, Jerry Thornton, Ronny Fields, Howard Britten, and Bill Homer.

The minutes of the previous regular meeting were approved as read.

A public hearing was held

concerning condemnation proceeding on the following properties: After discussion with the City Secretary on the owners who had called the City Hall or come by and discussed their property matters with her, the Council acted on the properties listed below.

311 Broadway, legally as Blk 52, lots 1, OT of
See City, pg. 4



The Jaws of Life were needed to extract the driver from this overturned semi-truck near Conway, Monday. The man escaped with a broken arm.

Community Calendar

THE GROOM SCHOOL Holiday Concert will be December 16 at 7 pm. Students in K-6 will present a variety of seasonal songs. The Groom High School Band will also perform.

VARSITY AND JR. Varsity teams will play in Clarendon beginning at 4:00 pm on December 17th.

JR. VARSITY and Varsity boys teams will play in Wheeler on December 20th beginning at 6:30 pm.

SOS THURSDAY, December 16. Hosted by the United Methodist Church congregation.

COMMODITIES WILL be distributed on December 16 from 2:30 - 4:30 p.m. at the Groom Library.

DECEMBER 19TH is the United Methodist Church Christmas Program.

TUESDAY GRAIN PRICES AT LOCAL ELEVATORS

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Make a note! Bill and Georgann Hinson have a new phone number. It's 248-7484.

GROOM BIRTHDAYS ANNIVERSARIES

December 16 - David Lee Britten.

December 17 - Renee Anthony, Brent Stephens, Verda Lee Littlefield,

December 19 - Stella Patterson.

December 20 - Wade Ritter, Fanny Asberry, Mrs. Bill Bohr.

December 22 - Jerry Crowell, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hutsell (A).

A birthday celebration honoring Jack Stephens, Evelyn Schaffer, Hilda Duncan, Ray Duncan and Margie Stephens was held during the annual Christmas Tea Dance in Pampa. Jack and Ray were celebrating their 70th birthday.

Card Of Thanks

Groom 4-Her's wish to thank Deputy's Oldham and Lewis for keeping us safe Friday night.

Fern Anderwald, Marti Phillips, and April Burton enjoyed a day of shopping Saturday.

Local Happening

Melody Burton attended the Nutcracker Suite performance in Amarillo with friends on Sunday. They also enjoyed a meal at Harrigans.

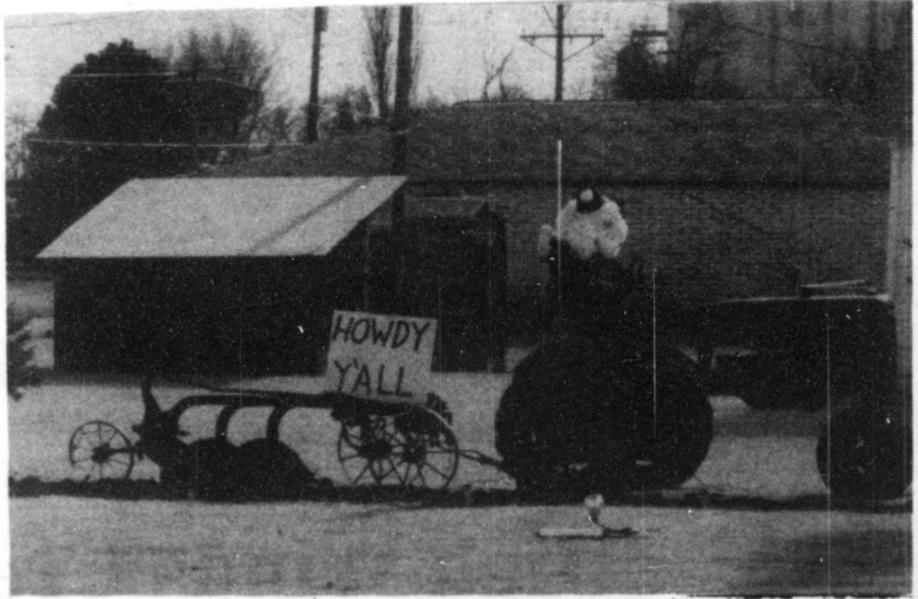
Allie and Norris Hoyt enjoyed a couple of quiet peaceful days at their lake home recently.

Al and Agnes Homer traveled to Munday, Texas recently to deliver a little Christmas cheer.

Agnes made 57 lap robes for the Munday Nursing Home as a memorial to their parents, K.G. and Mary Homer and Gus and Rose Koetting. While there they visited Al's brother. Later they spent the night in Wichita Falls with his cousin.

Card Of Thanks

Friends, How can I thank all who have been so kind during my illness and since I have been home? The beautiful spiritual bouquets, flowers, prayers, cards and visits certainly gave me the will to be better and home again. Thank you for all the gifts, food and visits since I am home. God love and keep you all.
Nell Britten



Santa drives a tractor? This cute scene is in front of Jiggs and Janie Britten's home.

Charlene Weller, Charlotte Whatley, Windy Paulk, Jerry Hermesmeier and Judy Jackson attended the annual Panhandle Home Health Agency's Christmas Party. The party was held in Pampa at the M.K. Brown facilities. The group of 100 plus enjoyed a lovely meal and entertainment.

Theresa Wills is pleased to announce that she is a great-grandmother for the fifth time. Benjamin Thiel was born December 6, 1993 in New Deal, Texas. His parents are Romona and Charles Thiel. Grandparents are Carl and Arlene Iribeck.

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Carson County Sheriff's Report

By Loren Brand, Sheriff
There are currently five persons incarcerated in the Carson County Jail. We have one subject for Parole Violation, one for Possession of LSD, one for felony DWI, one for Burglary of a Building and one for Interference with Child Custody.

During the past week the sheriff's department has investigated three residential burglaries, two cases of suspected forgery, two reports of illegal telephone solicitation, one case involving fraud and one incident of filing a false police report.

Our department assisted with one medical assist

which involved Panhandle EMS, White Deer EMS, Pantex EMS and Medivac. We also assisted the Texas Highway Patrol at the scene of a one-vehicle rollover on Interstate 40 which sent two people to the hospital in Amarillo.

Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to Fritch to the vicinity of a gas line explosion and we investigated an individual at an Interstate 40 rest area who was threatening motorists.

Our officers responded to domestic violence reports in Fritch and in Groom and we assisted the Panhandle Police Department and Fire

Department at the scene of a truck fire just outside of Panhandle. We also assisted at three fire calls in the county.

We stopped a Florida vehicle which contained three males and a juvenile female runaway after the Texas Highway Patrol stopped a separate vehicle

which had been stolen. The two vehicles were travelling together and they were enroute to Colorado. Two juveniles were transported to the O'Brien House in Amarillo and later returned to their parents. The males were charged with misdemeanor offenses.

Mann Littlefield Dies

Mann Littlefield, 85, died Sunday, December 12, 1993.

Graveside services were in Happy Cemetery with the Rev. Jim Currie, pastor of First United Methodist Church, officiating. Arrangements were by Brooks Funeral Directors of Canyon.

Mr. Littlefield had been a farmer and rancher in Happy since 1923. he was preceded in death by his

wife, Arlene Littlefield, in 1971. He was a Mason and a member of the First United Methodist Church.

Survivors include a son, James Eugene Littlefield of Arlington; three brothers, Lloyd Edward Littlefield of Clarendon, Edward Leon Littlefield of Fritch and John Westley Littlefield of Sudan; three grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

Conrad - Baker Announce Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Conrad and Mr. and Mrs. Jess Baker are proud to announce the engagement of their children, Marie Conrad and Brian Baker.

The couple has set February 19, 1994 as the date for their ceremony which will be held at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church in Groom.

Marie is a 1993 graduate of Groom High School and is currently a student at West Texas A & M University in Canyon.

Brian is a 1992 graduate of Groom High School and is currently serving in the United States Air Force stationed at Holloman Air Force Base in Alamogordo, New Mexico.



Holiday Calendar

THE GROOM SCHOOL. Gym will be closed December 21st through 27th.

THE GROOM NEWS will not publish a paper the week of December 30. We will be taking our yearly vacations that week.

"Slick" Naylor Dies At 89

James Loren "Slick" Naylor, 89, died Saturday, December 11, 1993.

Services were Monday in First United Methodist

Church with the Rev. John Wagonor, pastor, and Leonard Harper, minister of the Church of Christ, officiating. Masonic graveside rites were in Citizens Cemetery in Clarendon. Arrangements were by Minton-Chatwell Funeral Directors of Panhandle.

Mr. Naylor, born in Clarendon, was a graduate of Clarendon High School. He received his teaching certificate from West Texas State Teachers College. He began teaching and coaching in 1929 in Panhandle. He also held administrative positions in Odell, Lipscomb, Darrouzett, Groom, Clarendon and Panhandle. He was the city manager of Panhandle from 1952 to 1955. He was an instructor at the air base in Amarillo until 1957. He worked at Pantex, retiring in 1977. He was a member of First United Methodist Church, Carson Masonic Lodge No. 1167 and the 55 Plus Club. He was a 32nd Degree Mason. He married Mary Wilma Ingham in 1930 in Panhandle. She died in 1946. He later married Elma Hagler in 1956 at Lovington, N.M.

Survivors include his wife, Elma; two sons, Jim Naylor of Waco and Ben Naylor of Fort Worth; three daughters, Betty Biggs and Mary Smith, both of Panhandle, and Virginia Cleveland of Friona; a sister, Mary Wallace of Clarendon; two brothers, Ernest Naylor of Amarillo and C.W. Naylor of Quitman; seven grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

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4-Her's Enjoy Hay Ride

Groom Town and Country 4-Her's gathered Friday, December 18, at the Groom Community Center for an evening of sharing the Christmas spirit. Joe Homer and Kenny Martin chauffeured the group of 40 to several homes throughout the city for carolling. Appetizers were served in the home of member Nicholas Anthony. The group then proceeded carolling, their second stop was the home of members C.J. and Dara Whatley for hot dogs. The wagon stopped at the home of member Michael and

Michele Stephens for dessert and a dance.

Those members in attendance were: Nicholas Anthony, Wyatt Britten, Josh Evenson, Michael Stephens, C.J. Whatley, Brooke Britten, Laine Britten, Kori Brown, Brin Burgin, Jodi Homen, Sarah Looten, Amanda Martin, Michele Stephens, Dara Whatley, Cody Babcock, Marci Babcock, Cody Bivens, Evan Crowell, Lauren Crowell, Dusty Crump, Clay Britten, Mark Bivens, Meagan Bivens and Caleb Pool. Parents and sponsors included: Gary

and Cindy Babcock, Kenny and Melanie Martin, Belinda Britten, Sharlene Lewis, Charlotte Whatley, Debbie Anthony, Brent and Bea Stephens, Jodi and Edy Bradford, Tracy Lowry, Marla Britten, Angela Looten, Joe Homer and Deputy's Oldham and Lewis.

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Groom, owner to be Olan Barclay custodian Bart and Jerrery Barclay. Ronny Fields moved to give until January 15, 1994 to clean

up. If no action is taken by then the Council will proceed with condemnation. Howard Britten seconded.

200 Blk Newcome, legally as Blk 39, Lot 1-6, OT of

Groom, owner to be Marvin Bichsel. R.E. Cornett moved to proceed with condemnation. Jerry Thornton seconded.

411 Broadway, legally as Blk 66, Lots 1-3, OT of Groom, owner to be Albert Titsworth. Howard Britten moved to give until December 31, 1993 to mow and clean up. If Mr. Titsworth does not mow by this date then the City will mow and send Mr. Titsworth a bill. R. E.

Cornett seconded.

307 Martin, legally as Blk 56, Lot 3, OT of Groom, owner to be Clint Hill. Jerry Thornton moved to proceed with condemnation. Howard Britten seconded.

All members voted ayes.

Ronny Fields moved to go into executive session at 7:35 p.m. for discussion with Donnie Evans, Public Works Supervisor. R. E. Cornett seconded.

The Council came out of executive session at 8:05 p.m.

Howard Britten moved to approve the paying of the bills. Ronny Fields seconded.

The meeting was adjourned.



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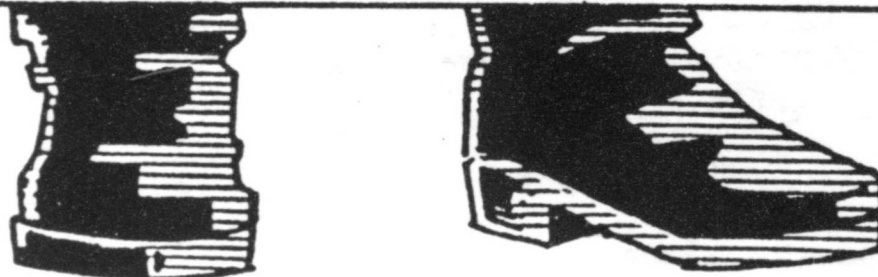
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Black Family Hold Annual Family Reunion

The family of Sam and Mae Black held their annual Christmas reunion at the Groom Community Center on Sunday, December 12, 1993.

Attending from Pampa were, Connie Fulton and family, Schuyler, Rebel, Dustin, and Dewayne.

From Hereford, Chubby, Nita and Colby Black; Ruth and Herschel Black; Roxene Brown from Canyon; Judy Jones from Boys Ranch. From Amarillo, Frank and Maxine Quick, Doyla, Kenja Bell and Indigo Cavazos; Kyle, Veretta, Kit and Maile Black; Clyde and Georgene Gibbins; Doug, Sandra,

Randy, Jason Black and Kury. From Crawford, Okla., Kris, Gay and Phili Black. From Miami, Newton and Modenia Cox. From Groom, Kenneth and Betty Black; Sybil Brown; Wallace and Jackie Bichsel; Gary, Cindy, Marci, Cody, and Tyler Babcock; Emalea London and Ruby Faye Latta.

Joy Class Holds Christmas Party

The Joy Class of the First Baptist Church held their Christmas Party at Troy and Jerry Corbin's home on December 13th. Holiday food was served, games were played and a good time was had by all.

Those attending were: Pat and James Barker, Mary Lee Boyd, J.B. and Lorene Brown, Dale and

Mary Lou Glass, Ella Ann THE GROOM NEWS-Page 5 Hanes, Bob and Carrie Thursday, December 16, 1993 Hardin, Jacque Riley and Rae and Flea Simpson.

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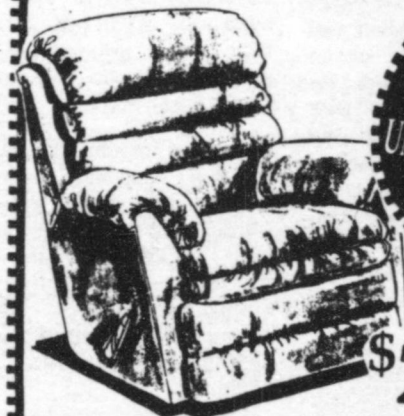
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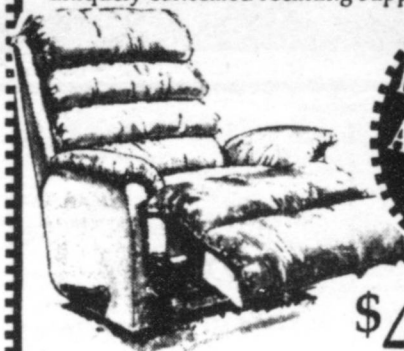
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As The Interstate Turns

By Joe Longway
On Sunday, December 5th Trooper Gary Davis arrested an Amarillo man on I-40, 5 miles west of Groom for DWI, 1st offense. The man was placed in the Carson County Country Club until he could post bond.
On Monday, December 6th Trooper Gary Davis investigated an accident on I-40 two miles west of Groom. Investigation revealed that the Eureka, California man fell asleep at the wheel while traveling west. The 90 Chevy pick up struck a delineator post then veered back across the interstate, struck the middle ditch and rolled two times.
On Tuesday, December 7th Groom Highway Patrol declared war on "bad guys". A Howardwick woman was arrested on I-40, eleven miles west of Groom for over \$600 in unpaid DPS tickets. She was transported to the Cross Bar Hotel in Panhandle until she could pay her fines. Later that evening a Howardwick man was arrested for DWI, 1st offense and Driving while License Suspended on I-40 nine miles east of Groom. The man was taken to Gray County Jail in Pampa where he stayed until he could post bond. Even later that evening two Illinois youth were arrested for Possession of Drug Paraphernalia near Alanreed on I-40.
On Wednesday, December 8th Trooper Gary Davis arrested an

Amarillo man for Driving while License Suspended on US 60 in Potter County. Later that evening an Amarillo man was arrested for Public Intoxication after cars were found swerving around him on US 60. The man was taken to the Potter County Jail after he was relieved of his "Kiwi-Lemon" Mad Dog 20/20.
On Thursday, December 9th an Arizona woman was arrested on I-40 thirteen miles west of Groom for Possession of Marijuana over two ounces. The woman was placed in the Carson County Jail until she could post bond.
On Friday, December 10th an Orange County, Florida youth was issued a citation for Minor In Possession of Alcoholic Beverages, on I-40 sixteen miles west of Groom. The same stop involved two juvenile girls who had run away from home. With above and beyond the call of duty Captain Sandra Rogers and Jailer Steve Hardin were able to get the girls to O'Brien house in Amarillo and made arrangements with the parents while dealing with a difficult sheriff's office in Florida.
Later that evening a Pampa man was arrested on US 60 east of Panhandle for a Theft By Check warrant out of Tarrant County. The man was taken to the Carson County Jail where he was arraigned and posted a \$1,000.00 bond.

Wind

floating everywhere.

"If the wind had changed directions we could have had another Stinnett," said Fire Chief Tony Treadwell, referring to an out of control grass fire that burned a large portion of the town of Stinnett in recent years.

Eventually the smoldering debris was contained by firefighters.

Monday morning brought a rash of accidents with the emergency crews being called out three times in two hours.

A semi-truck overturned near Conway. The driver was extracted with the "Jaws of Life". A broken arm or shoulder appeared to be his main injury. He was transported to Amarillo for treatment.

Just as the emergency crews were returning to town, a call came in from mile marker 127. Another truck had overturned. No injuries were reported but leaking gasoline was a potential hazard for awhile.

Reports of electricity outages in several parts of the county also came in. Some for up to three hours. In Groom proper, lights went out briefly overnight, just long enough for everyone to have to reset their digital clocks.

Just to prove that every cloud has a silver lining, the high winds did bring some much needed moisture to the area. Sunday's came in the form of a thundershower, while Monday sleet and snow fell.

By noon, skies had cleared and although still extremely windy, the sun shone brightly. No measurements were reported on the precipitation but local farmers report that much more is needed.

Wind damage to property may be the biggest loss after everything settles. Many Christmas decorations, lights, etc. have blown down. Tree limbs and shingles may have been especially susceptible from the looks of those laying around.

"We have had several reports of wind damage to roofs" said Nancy Brumley of Brumley Insurance.

Baptist Children's Choir Production Big Success

"It's Jesus Birthday" was presented by the Children's Choir and Youth Voices at First Baptist Church on Sunday, December 12 at 7:00 p.m. Santa made a surprise visit following the production. Everyone enjoyed a fellowship afterwards.

Those in attendance were: Neal Anthony, Mallory Homen, Doug Fields, Nicholas Anthony, Michele Stephens, Justin Homen, Jodi Homen, Dara Whatley, and Dean Fields. Youth were: Brenda Fields, Stacy Fields, Collin Downs, Ty Lambert, C.J. Whatley, and Jason Prather.

Director was Debbie Anthony and accompanist Carole Fields. Narrator was Bryan Richardson.


Ladies League Celebrates Christmas

Ladies League members enjoyed a evening of Christmas Cheer Saturday, December 4. The group and husbands gathered in the home of member Tina Painter for appetizers, then travelled on to the home of member Ann Howard for the main meal and ended up in the home of Charlotte Whatley for dessert. Secret Pals were revealed at the party and games were enjoyed by all. Those in attendance were: Tony and Tina Painter, Kenny and Melanie Martin, Howell and Sharlene Lewis, Pav and Toni Pavlovsky, Teron and Ann Howard, and Darrell and Charlotte Whatley. Guests were Kenny and Christy Weller.

Whatley's Attend First Pig Show Of Season

C.J. Whatley attended his first pig show of the season in Pampa this past week. He received Reserve Breed Champion. He was joined by showmen Leo and Cody Britten, Bart Britten, Josh Evenson, Justin Homen and Amanda Martin on Sunday for a second show of the weekend in Pampa.

Amanda Martin and "Giggles" received a first in her class, to be the top showman of the day. This is Amanda's first year to show. Amanda is the daughter of Kenny and Melanie Martin.




Happy Holidays

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Judge Lee Waters To Vie For Re-Election



Lee Waters, Judge of the 223rd District Court of Texas, serving Gray County, announced today that he has filed for re-election.

Judge Waters said, "I have worked hard to provide a competent and fair court and will continue to do so if re-elected. Fifteen years as a trial attorney and three years as judge have provided me the experience and qualifications necessary to handle the complex litigation of the state court," he said. During his three years as trial judge, Waters has handled almost 3,000 cases.

I am a conservative Democrat who understands the problems and needs of the people of the area," Judge Waters said. "However, I believe that partisan politics should have no place in the election of judges. In my opinion,

Society, and is currently the President of the Gray County Bar Association.

Waters has also been active in civic affairs in Pampa. He is a past Vice-President of the Chamber of Commerce and serves in the Top of Texas Gold Coat Association, is past President of the Pampa Rotary Club, a former chairman of the American Red Cross, and a former Little League Manager.

He and his wife Diane have three children: Colby 18, Kellen 13 and Emily 11. They are members of First Baptist Church.

judges should be elected based upon their qualifications and experiences." Waters promised to continue to administer justice fairly to all, following the laws the State Legislature enacts.

Judge Waters pointed out that he has saved the county more than \$4,000 by beginning a new system of answering machine announcements to those called for jury service, telling them whether they need to attend on the particular day summoned. He said this has also been more convenient for the citizens.

Waters also ordered a fee schedule for attorneys appointed in criminal cases. He said that has provided additional savings to the county.

Judge Waters, who has sentenced over 40 people to See Waters, pg. 8



Smoke billows up from the grass fire started near Alanreed in 50 mile an hour winds in Monday's storm.

Judge Carl Kennedy Announces Not To Run For Re-Election

Gray County Judge Carl Kennedy said recently he will not run for re-election and then threw his support behind Pampa Mayor Richard Peet, who announced his intentions to seek Kennedy's seat.

Kennedy, 61, has been County Judge since 1979, serving four terms.

Peet, 51, has been Pampa's mayor since 1989. His third term is scheduled to expire in June 1995.

"I just feel like it's time for me to return to private business," Kennedy said. "I feel like we all need to

serve the public, but there comes a time when there are other things you'd like to do. I'm not retiring, just changing gears."

Peet, who will run as a Republican, said he learned earlier this year that Kennedy would not be seeking re-election.

"I don't have any single agenda items," Peet said. "There are two things I'd really like to continue - the good working relationship between the county and the city . . . and conservative fiscal control of tax dollars."

Yvonne Moler To Seek Re-Election



Gray County District Clerk Yvonne Moler announced Friday that she has filed for re-election. Moler will seek the Democratic nomination in the March primaries.

Moler began her service in the District Clerk's office in December, 1982, serving as Chief Deputy for more than five years.

She was appointed District Clerk by 223rd District Judge Lee Waters and 31st District Judge M. Kent Sims effective December 1, 1991, and was elected to the office in the general election last year.

"I enjoy the work and the challenges it presents," Moler said. "I have to keep up with changes in state and federal law regarding child support collection and record keeping, reciprocal laws, passport applications, criminal law and procedures, extradition procedures, civil law and procedures and try to handle an increasing case load without increasing the cost to the taxpayers. Our office deals with filing all court pleadings, indexing and recording the minutes of the Court, jury selection and assignment and transcripts for appeals in

both criminal and civil cases. Accuracy is critical in everything we do."

Moler returned more than \$20,000 of her budget to the county last year. "I am a conservative and believe in keeping the District Clerk's office service-oriented and up-to-date. I have had more than 80 hours of continuing education for District Clerks. Computerization of all phases of our operations has increased our efficiency throughout our office."

"We are required to make reports to the county See Moler, pg. 8

Devil's Rope Museum Holds Holiday Events

A Christmas Party for the Devil's Rope Museum volunteers will be December 17, at 6:00 pm. We want to show the volunteers appreciation for the wonderful job they are doing.

The McLean Cattle Feeders will have their Christmas Party December 16, at the Western Heritage Community Room in the Devil's Rope Museum.

Bill and Katy Graham will be honored December 19, from 2:00 until 4:00 pm at the Devil's Rope

Museum to celebrate their 50th anniversary.

We are now in our winter hours at the Museum, opened Friday 10-4, Saturday 10-4 and Sunday from 1-4. We would like to invite you to come in the Museum Mercantile. We have a very nice selection of gifts for every age, and all the money goes to support the Museum. Lots of the items are handmade and reasonably priced. Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to everyone.

Reminders

DECEMBER 18th will be a Teachers Workday in McLean Schools.

HEALD UNITED Methodist Church, located on Kellerville Road, will have their annual Christmas Eve Service at 7:00 pm. Please join us in celebration of Jesus' birth.

COMMODITY DAY is Tuesday, December 21 from 9:00 am until 1:00 pm at the VFW Building, 218 Commerce Street.

DON'T SIT HOME alone Christmas Day. Come enjoy the Senior Citizens Christmas dinner at their building on Main Street. Everyone is invited to come and bring a favorite holiday food. Turkey and dressing will be furnished.

LODGE PRACTICE is every Monday evening at 7:30 p.m.

LOVETT MEMORIAL Library will be closed Dec. 18th through Jan. 2nd, 1993.

THE VFW AND Auxiliary invite all area veterans and their spouses to a party on Saturday, December 18 at 7:00 pm at the VFW building, 218 Commerce Street.

ON TUESDAY, January 4th at 6:00 pm. bring in the New Year at Heald Church and Community covered dish supper. Lot's of good food, fun, and fellowship!!

VARSITY Basketball Friday, December 17 beginning at 4:00 pm for Varsity and Jr. Varsity teams vs. Miami.

THE MCLEAN LION'S Club is sponsoring their annual Home Christmas Decorating Contest once again. Judging will be from Dec. 18 through Dec. 23rd, allowing for inclement weather, should it occur.

Four places will be given. You are invited to participate and add beauty to our town.

SIX WEEKS/Semester exams 3/5/7 periods on Dec. 15 and 1/3/5/7 periods on Dec. 16 for students in McLean.

ELEMENTARY Christmas Musical will be December 16 at 7:00 pm in the school auditorium.

SCHOOL WILL dismiss at 1:30 pm for the holidays on Friday, December 17.

THE MCLEAN NEWS will not publish a paper the week of December 30. We will be taking our yearly vacations that week.

Waters

the state penitentiary, pledged to continue to do his part to reduce crime and make Gray County safe for its law abiding citizens.

Judge Waters said that there are about 1,000 cases pending on the docket at any given time but that he is current on the docket. He said that because he finds his work to be both interesting and challenging, he wants to continue to serve Gray County as its

State Judge.

A native of Pampa, the 43-year old Judge graduated from Pampa High School and received a Bachelor of Business Administration degree from the University of Texas at Austin in 1973, and a Doctor of Jurisprudence degree from the U.T. School of Law in 1975. He is a member of the Judicial Section of the State Bar of Texas, the American Judicature

McLEAN CARE Center will have their Christmas and gift opening party on Saturday, December 18th at 2:30 pm. Public very welcome.

McLEAN BIRTHDAYS ANNIVERSARIES

- December 16 - Shorty Burr, Clint Herndon.
- December 17 - Dorotha bybee, Wanda Hill.
- December 18 - Short Hill.
- December 19 - Colleen Mertel, Ginger Holwick, Martha Jo Bailey, Wayne Carter, Stacie Holland, Catherine Calcote.
- December 20 - Candi Morris, Jamie Kingston, Ann Lamb.
- December 21 - Jana Davis.
- December 22 - Glendora Rice, Laura Willis, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Stillwell (A).

ORDINANCE

NO. 253

An Ordinance amending Section 2 of Ordinance No. 228; setting the fee to be paid for the use by the public of the sanitary landfill; providing for an effective date; and providing for the publication and repealing all ordinances and parts thereof in conflict herewith.

PASSED AND APPROVED on its first reading this 9th day of November, 1993.

PASSED AND APPROVED AND ORDERED published on second and final reading this 9th day of December 1993.

Sam A. Haynes, Mayor
Mrs. Stella Lee, City Secretary: Attest

Moler

and the state which requires a thorough knowledge of our computers," Moler said.

Moler is a member of the County and District Clerks Association and served as Area I leader this past year. She is a member of the Pampa Chamber of Commerce.

Moler and her husband J.D., have resided in Pampa for 30 years. They have three children and nine grandchildren. They are members of the Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ.

"This is a job where even after 11 years I am still learning, Moler concluded. "We recognize that our office is involved in some of the most important events in people's lives. We work hard to make sure our duties are carried out efficiently and correctly."

Phillips Receives Meritorious Mast

Marion Sgt. Stacy D. Phillips, whose wife, Latonya, is the daughter of George M. and Sue Barrow of McLean, recently received a Meritorious Mast.

Phillips was cited for outstanding service while assigned with the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit, based at Camp Lejeune, N.C.

A Meritorious Mast is an official recognition from a Marine's commanding officer for superior individual performance. It is issued in the form of a bulletin published throughout the command, and a copy is entered in the Marine's permanent service records.

The 1985 graduate of Hot Springs High School of Hot Springs, S.D., joined the Marine Corps in October 1985.

Katelynn New In Crockett Home

Kent and Karon Crockett, of Mt. Vernon, Ohio, are the proud parents of a baby girl. Born November 19, 1993, Katelynn Marie weighed five pounds and twelve ounces and was nineteen and one half inches long.

Katelynn is the granddaughter of Collene Stewart of McLean and Eddie Mae Stewart of Amarillo. Uncles and Aunts are Charles and Diana Stewart with cousins Tyler and Briana of Ralph, Alabama and Randy Mac and Leslie Stewart of Lubbock.

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Twentieth Century Study Club

The Twentieth Century Study Club met December 9th in the McLean Church of Christ annex for their annual Christmas party. A dinner of turkey and dressing and all the trimmings was set. Loree Barker gave Grace and all pitched in. After dinner Loree brought some poems. "A Cowboy Christmas" and two others. Then Santa appeared and gifts were exchanged.

Present were members: Relia Ayers, Loree Barker, Laverne Brooks, Avalee Crockett, Laura Edleman, Safrona Pettit, Cliffie Heasley, and Mary Groves. Visitors were Estelline Grimsley, Imogene Glass, Brenda and Ruth McLain and Mary Groves' two granddaughters.

The next meeting which is also a luncheon will be in Laverne Brooks' in January. New officers will be elected.



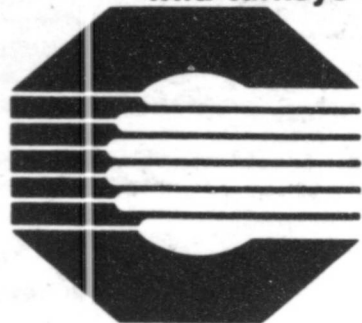
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**Study Club Hosts
Holiday Party**

The Pioneer Study Club met in the home of Wanda Lamb on December 9, 1993. Members feasted from a table piled high with holiday concoctions. Margaret Grogan and Mary Dwyer were co-hostesses.

Mrs. Lamb presented a program of Christmas memories and the meanings of many of the Christmas symbols. On display was a collection of Madonnas from various parts of the world. The program concluded with each member sharing a Christmas memory, some old, some new.

Everyone enjoyed exchanging gifts, delivered from a beautifully decorated Victorian tree.

Those present were Jerry Corbin, Bonnie Nell Fabian, Mary Lou Glass, Ruth Magee, Loyce Murry, Beverly Odom, Lynn Reeves, Charlie Marie Shurley, Cheryl Smith,

Louise Watson, Mary Emma Woods and one guest Jean Kuhlman.

Card Of Thanks

I want to thank everyone for the cards, phone calls, and especially your prayers during this sorrowful time in my life. No words could ever really express my gratitude.

May God bless you all,
Rhonda Glass

Alanreed News

Dick Bode was in Clarendon Tuesday on business.

The "letter committee" of the Alanreed Community Improvement Association met Tuesday night in a special called business meeting at the home of Lena Carter. Several items of business were discussed and acted on.

The Community grieves along with the Olin Weldon's on the death of a niece of Lubbock. This girl has been ill for a long time.

Also our hearts go out to Hiram (Tooter) Rawlings on the loss of his sister Pauline. Pauline lived here for several years and cooked at our school.

Barbara Bode was shopping in Pampa on Thursday.

Denna Tidwell and Nora Drago were in Pampa on Friday for medical attention for Nora.

Melinda Daniels was on the sick list last week. Brenda McLain attended

the Twentieth Century Study Club Christmas Party Thursday night at the Church of Christ annex in McLean.

The Olin Weldon's were in Oklahoma last week for the burial of their niece.

Jeanie Adams was on the sick list last week.

Dixie Crockett made a trip to Amarillo Thursday.

Visiting Nell Keese and the boys was granddaughter Susie Conner of Junction, Texas.

Shawn and Paul Bruce accompanied the Robert Bruces to First Baptist Church Sunday.

Jay Dorsey spent several days in High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo last week.

Robert Bruce made a trip to Claude on Saturday.

Cletus Fish has been ill with a badly infected toe.

The R. L. Leeders were on the sick list again Sunday.

Former resident Juanita Rawlings of Dallas was here for Pauline (Rawlings)

Wolford's funeral. Only a trace of rain was received in Sunday's storm.

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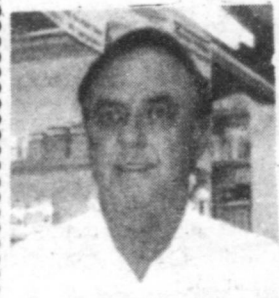
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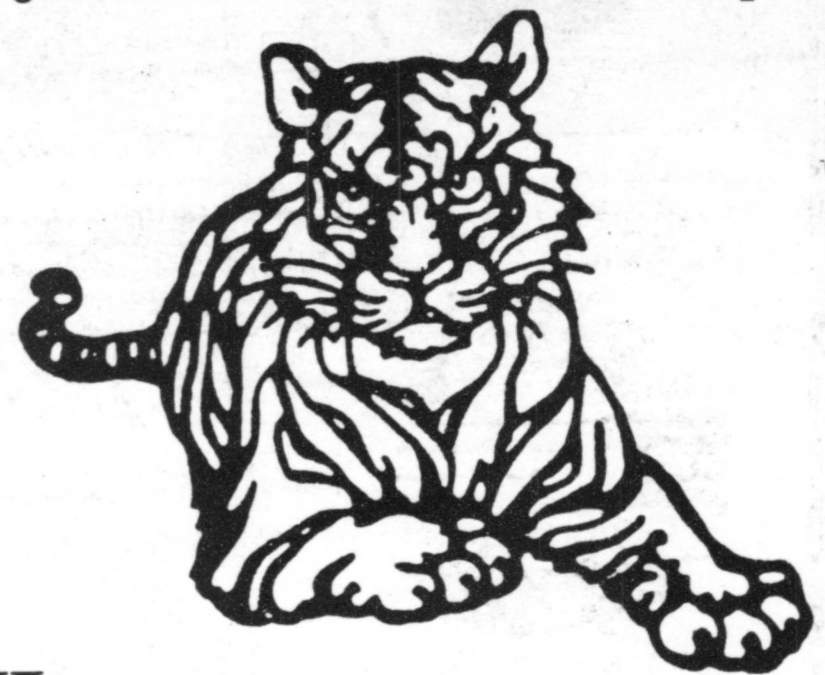
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McLean Obituaries

Pauline Walford Dies At Age 70

Fauline E. Walford, 70, died Thursday, December 9, 1993, at Amarillo. Funeral services were at the First Methodist Church in McLean, with the Rev. Thacker Haynes, pastor of the church, officiating.

Burial was in Alanreed Cemetery. Arrangements were by Lamb-Ferguson Funeral Home in McLean.

Mrs. Walford was born on August 16, 1923, in Dallas to Claude Lee and Vernie Rawlings. She married John P. Walford on May 13, 1961 in Pampa. She was a housewife and she was affiliated with the First Methodist Church of McLean.

She was preceded in death by one daughter, Freda Dale Loony.

Survivors include two sisters, Willie Montgomery of Pampa and Flois Lee Lafon of Waggoner, Oklahoma; two brothers, H.D. Rawlings of Dallas; and two grandchildren.

E.H. Kirkland

E.H. "Pete" Kirkland, 55, died Thursday, December 9, 1993.

Services were in Calvary Christian Fellowship Church, Shamrock, with the Rev. Joe G. Jernigan, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Shamrock Cemetery by Wright Funeral Directors.

Mr. Kirkland was born in Gunner and had lived most of his life in Shamrock. He married Kathy Hulse in 1973 in Erick, Oklahoma. He was employed by Plains Livestock Transportation. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife; six sons, Walter Earl Kirkland, E.H. "Pete" Kirkland Jr., and Gary Dean Kirkland, all of Henderson, Terry Lynn Kirkland of Kenai, Alaska, Scott Kirkland of Amarillo and Steven Kirkland of Shamrock; two daughters, Jeni Kirkland of Fort

Wainwright, Alaska, and Jamie "Skeet" Kirkland of Shamrock; six brothers, J.L. Kirkland, Bill Kirkland and Donald Kirkland, all of Shamrock, Walter Kirkland of El Reno, Oklahoma, James Kirkland of Pampa and Johnny Kirkland of Alanreed; four sisters, Faye Bonner, Willie Bea Hooten and Naomi Lowe, all of Shamrock, and Shirley Gibson of Odessa; and eight grandchildren.

Billy K. Odom

Billy K. Odom, 64, of Happy, died Wednesday, December 8, 1993, in Mesa, Arizona.

Graveside services were in Happy Cemetery with the Rev. Jim Currie, pastor of First United Methodist Church of Happy, officiating. Arrangements were by Brooks Funeral Directors of Canyon.

Mr. Odom worked for the Amarillo Police

Department in the patrol division and vice squad for ten years. He was a security investigator for Aerojet in the Sacramento, California area. In 1969, he went to work for Mendocino County Sheriff's Department, retiring as undersheriff in 1978.

Survivors include his wife, Ruth, of Mesa; a son, Michael Odom of California; a daughter, Connie Hinkle of Panhandle; a brother, Pete Odom of Happy; and five grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Happy Cemetery, P.O. Box 216, Happy, Texas 79042, or Shrine Crippled Children, Khiva Temple, Box 328, Amarillo, Texas 79105.

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Ettes had 13, Kay Case had 10, Rebecca Conrad 6, and Sandie Conrad 2. The Ettes won 47-34. Facing Hedley for the final championship game, Misty Homen led the scoring with 20 points. Kay Case contributed 12, Melanie Friemel scored 10, Sheri Koetting and Sandie

Conrad each scored 4, Melissa Treadwell 3, and Darcee Lyles 1. The Ettes brought home the winners trophy with a 54-34 win.

The Tigers faced some difficult teams in their bracket at the tournament. In first round action Groom and McLean faced off. Wes Hall was top scorer with 23 points, Bo Burgin had 17, Bryan Crowell followed with 14 and Seth Ritter had 12. Terry Eatmon added another 3 and Stanley Homer and Nick Ashford each had 2. The Groom Tigers won against the McLean Tigers with a score of 72-38.

In their next game, Groom played a white knuckle match against Samnorwood. The evenly matched teams bounced the lead back and forth scoring tit for tat. The game went into overtime play. Out of nowhere a Samnorwood Eagle tossed a three pointer that connected just as the buzzer sounded leaving the Tigers frustrated by their 72-71 loss.

Fort Elliott was Groom's final game vying for the third place position. In another "edge of your seat" game, Wes Hall gave 25 points to the effort for high point. Bo Burgin came in with 24. Bryan Crowell added 4, Bart Britten 3 and Seth Ritter 2. The final score was Fort Elliott 62 - Groom 58.

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