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School Race To Bring Out Voters

Groom voters will go to the polls Saturday to determine the future of local government by electing three persons to the City Council and two members to the school board.

Five persons are seeking one of three seats on the city council. Incumbents Bill Homer and Jerry Gaines

along with challengers John Eschle, Jimmy Britten and Carlton Turvaville.

Homer plans to continue to represent the city with "everyone's interest in mind." He says, "It is my belief that if we all work together we can overcome the problems of the past and present, and make way for

a brighter future. He encourages everyone to go to the polls on election day. If elected he will work to "improve on what we have, and work hard toward newer and greater economic development. Do my part to make Groom a place where anyone would be proud to call home." He encourages everyone to go to the polls on election day adding he would appreciate your vote.

Homer attended WTSU. He and his wife Norma Jean have five children, Tracy 22, Mary Jo 21, Jeannette 18, Joannie 16, and Travis 15.

John Eschle too would like to "work in the area of community development, especially toward expanded business activity and increased job opportunities." He adds that he will be willing to spend the "time and effort needed to achieve that end. He lists as goals to see a growth in population and to see the hospital facility put to some worthwhile use. Eschle holds a BBA in accounting from WTSU. He and his wife

Glynda have two sons Darron and Jason and a daughter Erin Kate.

Carlton Turvaville states he would like to see "government for the people and by the people, not person, but people." He wishes to do his part in helping Groom grow by drawing in new interest and business. He holds a BS degree from Texas Tech. "I will do my best to represent the people of Groom and will welcome any calls and listen to any suggestions that will benefit the majority of the people in Groom."

Other candidates for city office are Jerry Gaines and Jimmy Britten, neither responded to the questionnaire mailed candidates by The News.

Two persons will be elected to serve on the School Board from a field of ten interested in the job.

Roman Friemel has served on the board nine years, six years as board president. He has four children who who graduated from Groom High School.

He is joined by Adela Kotara, a member of the board for four years. A mother of four, Lindy a senior this year, Staci 13, Halee 8 and Kim a junior at WTSU, Mrs. Kotara believes that "a good education is the most important thing a community can give its young people upon graduation whether they enter the job market, go to a trade school or to college, we need to be sure that they are well prepared to be productive citizens. Since she has served on the board, she realizes that all decisions are made as a group, she says she does not feel that she can rightfully make any campaign promises as an individual.

Bill England and his wife Rose have two children, Phillip and Rebecca. He is a graduate of Palo Duro High School and has attended various adult vocational courses at Amarillo College.

England says he is prepared to spend whatever time and energy is needed to help the board meet and face the problems ahead. "Of course the high tax base, and compliance with House Bill #72 are very emotional issues at this time, but we still have an obligation, first and foremost, to provide quality education for our children." England says that through a combined, harmonious working relationship, with other members of the school board, he feels that the group could then work towards improvement in all areas.

"'Belt-tightening' is not a new word!" says England. "Businesses, government agencies, even in our own homes we practice it to a certain extent, at times. And it seems as if those times come around pretty often, lately. But we can learn to manage more efficiently if we know our goals and recognize our limitations."

Gary Britten is the father of three sons, Bruce, Bronte and Bart and married to the former Sharon Barnett. He is currently working toward a Master of Science degree in engineering technology and holds a bachelor's degree from WTSU. Britten sets as his goal to see that our children enjoy as fine a combination of academic and athletic educational opportunities as we can afford them. "I am a proponent of a conservative spending policy. In this period of decreasing tax revenues and declining enrollment we cannot consider unnecessary

expansion. We must concern ourselves with a quality education. I feel we must keep the dollar amount we pay in taxes as low as reasonably possible. As a member of the industrial work force, and a student involved with new technologies, I am constantly aware of the need a student has for a solid background in mathematics and the hard sciences in order to be able to compete in today's job market. I would hope to influence our school system to emphasize these studies in the curriculum.

Lynn Britten is a Groom High School graduate. He and wife Sue have five children. If elected to the school board, Britten sees three goals, a greater emphasis on education and less on athletics, more efficient utilization of funds available and a consistent maintenance program. He says that he believes there could be a "reduction in unnecessary spending and increase the quality of education. Our children today need a higher quality of education than ever before, therefore educational needs must be our main concern."

Glynda Eschle holds a B.S. Degree from the University of Texas and B.S. in Home Economics Education from Texas Tech. She and husband John have three children.

She would like to take an active part in obtaining for local students the best preparation for their future as a member of the school

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Tracy Britten Selected To Prestigious List

Tracy Britten has been selected to receive honorary award recognition by having his biography published in The National Dean's List 1985-86.

The National Dean's List is the largest most prestigious publication in the country recognizing academically gifted students selected by their college dean or comparable faculty representative. Each year 2,500 of our nations finest colleges and universities use the publication as a special award to recognize their most outstanding students. Only one

half of one percent of the nations college students receive this award.

As a National Dean's List student, Tracy is eligible to compete for \$25,000 in scholarship awards. Tracy is a sophomore physical education major with a minor in math at South Plains College in Levelland. At South Plains he is a Smallwood Scholar, on the Dean's Honor List, member of Phi Theta Kappa, national honor fraternity and has participated in intramural volleyball and basketball. This is the second year Tracy has received this honor.

Ambulance Service Field Practice Set

The Groom Ambulance Service is requesting your cooperation on April 5 from 8 in the morning until 5 in the afternoon. The service will be conducting a field practice day as the end of the EMT course nears.

Two ambulances will be going to various parts of town with emergency lights and siren for practice. The service has asked that residents not become alarmed and that they not respond to the training area.

Demonstrations of the jaws of life will be given throughout the day at the wrecking yard on Front street.

Should an emergency arise, the attendants can be reached by dialing the emergency number.

Community Calendar

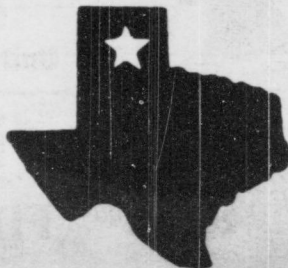
Items for Time Capsule should be submitted to Girl Scout Leader Donna Burton soon. Call her at 248-3691 to reserve space.

Lazy Dazys will meet Tuesday, April 8 at the home of Pam Ashford, 7:30 p.m.

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Cash prices on grain posted at grain elevators serving the Groom area Tuesday afternoon:

WHEAT \$3.01 bushel
MILO \$3.95 cwt.

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The drawing for the EMT groceries
give away will be at 5 p.m., Sat. April 5
at the EMT Garage Sale at the Ambulance
Barn in Claude.

There will be Free Blood Pressure checks
during the EMT Garage Sale on April 4 and
5 at the Ambulance Barn.

Local Happenings

Mrs. Caroline Becker and
grandsons of Plainville, Ks.
arrived Tuesday and attend-
ed the funeral of her sister-
in-law, Ida Berres in Pampa
on Wednesday. She also
visited her sisters Marie
Rogers and Margaret
Weller. They returned to
Plainville Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. John
Hughes and Mr. and Mrs.
Bobby Shuffield of Amarillo
visited Easter Sunday in the
home of Mr. and Mrs. John
Hughes.

Easter Sunday guests in
the home of Bud and Evelyn
Schaffer were Jim and Ema-
line Hermesmeier, Curt and
Oma Schaffer, Verdie Tipton
of Clarendon, Travis and
Nancy Tressell, Plainview,
Lyle and Sharon Reaker of
Canyon, David, Harold and
Angie Reaker of Canyon.
Also from Amarillo, Keith
and Annett Kuehler and
Ashley, David Kuehler,
Kenny Keuhler, Jane,
Sherri, Keri and Kristin
Kuehler, Betsy Hill from
White Deer, Tony and
Catherine Schaffer of
Lubbock and Jerry and Kelly
Schaffer and Calvin Schaffer
of Pampa, and Morris and
Marlene Morgan also of
Pampa.

Mr. and Mrs. D.H. Farley
of Howardwick returned
home this week after spend-
ing several days in Austin
visiting relatives.

Johnny Burgin is home
visiting from Nigeria, Africa.

Mrs. Gail Burton and
children, Jim and Elizabeth
spent the Easter holiday
visiting in Okolona,
Mississippi with her parents
and other relatives.

Mrs. Jerry Lee Moore,
Mrs. Roy Ritter and Mrs.
Glynn D Harrell attended a
recent Sub-District meeting
of the Pampa District Unit-
ed Methodist Women in St.
Paul's church in Pampa.

Loula Wall returned this
week from Jacksboro, Tex.
where she visited friends and
relatives.
Rip and Joy Snyder made a
business trip to Panhandle
Tuesday.

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Evening Services: 7:30

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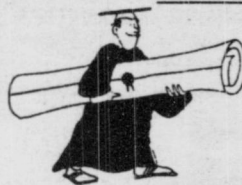
Outstanding **Congratulations**
Tigerettes Track Team
1st Place Wheeler Relays

Good Luck

Tennis Teams **Track Teams**
April 3rd — Panhandle Meet April 4 & 5 — Miami Meet
April 7 & 8 — Borger Meet

High School U.I.L.'ers

April 4 & 5 — Clarendon



Senior Breakfast
April 9, 7:15 A.M.
United Methodist Church

State National Bank

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**April Birthdays
And Anniversaries**

1. Mrs. Ronnie D. Fields,
Mrs. E.C. Goodlett, Mrs.
C.L. Rogers, Mrs. Norris L.

Hoyt, Jimmy Dale Kingston,
Charles Bowers, Sarah Hut-
sell.
2. Mrs. T.G. Fields, Mrs.
Albert Britten, Dustin Bab-
cock.

3. Mrs. Troy Ritter, Troy
E. Treadwell, Mrs. H.L.
Mansel, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby
Burgin (A)
4. C.J. Whatley, Terry Jill

Britten, Mrs. Fines H.
Marchman, John N. Cline
6. Jack F. Britten, Mrs.
C.M. Ham, Mrs. Ruben Bag-
german
7. Tony Rodriguez
8. Mrs. Donnie Conrad
Angela Conrad, Rex Peeples,
9. Charles D. Fields, Shan-

non Miller, Mr. and Mrs.
E.W. (Skeet) Brown (A)
10. Mrs. James Duke,
Johnny L. Byrd

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VOTE ENGLAND

The Groom Independent School System
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as a member of the
Groom School Board.

Please vote for me on April 5th.

Thanks Bill England

Paid pol. adv. by Bill England, Box 447, Groom, Texas

Nightin' Gals

Mrs. J.L. Case and Mrs.
W.G. Koetting served as
hostesses of Nightin' Gals
Tuesday evening March 25 at
7:00 in the Koetting home.

Games of Pinochle were
played with Mrs. Ted
Friemel and Mrs. L.T. Banks
having high and low scores.

Others present were Mrs.
R.C. Britten, Mrs. Joe Davis,
Mrs. W.M. Garmon, Mrs.
Glynn D Harrell, Mrs. John
Hickox, Mrs. Carl
Homer, Mrs. E.W.
Lamberson, Mrs. O.A.
Pool, Mrs. R.W. Wills, Mrs.
Jim Wall, Mrs. B.F. Patter-
son and a guest, Mrs. H.F.
Britten.

Mrs. Britten and Mrs.
Garmon will be hostesses of
the April 22 meeting.

Country Neighbors

Mrs. W. G. Koetting was
hostess of the Groom
Country Neighbors Club
Wednesday afternoon March
26. Deputy Jerry Gaines and
Department of Public Safety
officer Gregory Eatmon pre-
sented a safety program
emphasizing personal, home
and car safety practices. Also
shown were packets of mari-
juana and devices for its use.

The hostess gift was
received by Mrs. Joe Britten.
Others present were a guest,
Mrs. John Hickox, Mrs. H.F.
Britten, Mrs. J.E. Lee, Mrs.
O.A. Pool, Mrs. R.W. Wills,
Mrs. Glynn D Harrell, Mrs.
R.J. Kuehler, Mrs. B.F. Pat-
terson, Mrs. Roy Ritter and
Mrs. Claude Schaffer.

Mrs. Pool will be hostess
of the April 23 meeting.

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	Fair Forage	Purina Mineral 12:12	Purina Mineral 12:12	Grass-St-Stretcher 14, 14H 23 Lbs. Oxy	Grass-St-Stretcher 14, 14H 23 Lbs. Oxy
	Poor Forage	Sup-R-Lit 2 23 Lbs. Oxy	This gain cannot be achieved under traditional feeding practices	This gain cannot be achieved under traditional feeding practices	This gain cannot be achieved under traditional feeding practices
Cubes	Good Forage	Purina Mineral 12:12	Purina Mineral 12:12	Purina Mineral 12:12	Grass-Stretcher 12, 12H 23 Lbs. Oxy
	Fair Forage	Purina Mineral 12:12	Purina Mineral 12:12	Grass-Stretcher 14, 14H 23 Lbs. Oxy	Grass-Stretcher 14, 14H 23 Lbs. Oxy
	Poor Forage	Grass-Stretcher 16, 16H 23 Lbs. Oxy	Grass-Stretcher 20, 20H, 16H 44 Lbs. Oxy	Grass-Stretcher 20, 20H, 16H 51 Lbs. Oxy	This gain cannot be achieved under traditional feeding practices
Meals	Good Forage	Purina Mineral 12:12	Purina Mineral 12:12	Purina Mineral 12:12	Grass-Stretcher #12, #14 15 lbs Grass-Stretcher #12 17 lbs 24 Lbs. Oxy Accumulated Grass-Stretcher 23 Lbs. Oxy
	Fair Forage	Purina Mineral 12:12	Purina Mineral 12:12	Grass-Stretcher #12, #14 15 lbs Grass-Stretcher #14 15 lbs Accumulated Grass-Stretcher 16, 16L 34 Lbs. Oxy	Grass-Stretcher #12, #14 17 lbs Grass-Stretcher #14 17 lbs 44 Lbs. Oxy Accumulated Grass-Stretcher 16, 16L 34 Lbs. Oxy
	Poor Forage	Grass-Stretcher #12 15 lbs 57 Lbs. Oxy	Grass-Stretcher #20 15 lbs Accumulated Grass-Stretcher 16, 16L 44 Lbs. Oxy	This gain cannot be achieved under traditional feeding practices	This gain cannot be achieved under traditional feeding practices
Liquids	Good Forage	Purina Mineral 12:12	Purina Mineral 12:12	Purina Mineral 12:12	Sup-R-Lit 1 13 Lbs. Oxy
	Fair Forage	Purina Mineral 12:12	Purina Mineral 12:12	Sup-R-Lit 2 23 Lbs. Oxy	Sup-R-Lit 1 23 Lbs. Oxy
	Poor Forage	Sup-R-Lit 2 HL 23 Lbs. Oxy	Sup-R-Lit 1 44 Lbs. Oxy	This gain cannot be achieved under traditional feeding practices	This gain cannot be achieved under traditional feeding practices

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West—Schulte Engagement Told

Mr. and Mrs. Robert West of Groom announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Barbara Ann West to Olen G. Schulte of Nazareth.

Parents of the prospective groom are Mr. and Mrs. Ray Schulte of Nazareth.

A wedding is planned for May 24, in Holy Family Catholic Church in Nazareth.

The bride-elect graduated from Groom High School in 1974. She holds an associate degree in art from TSTI and attended Amarillo College and Texas Tech. She is currently employed with Coldwater Cattle Co., Inc. in the accounting department.

The prospective bridegroom is a 1975 graduate of Nazareth High School and currently farms near Nazareth.

Methodist Women

United Methodist Women met Tuesday afternoon March 18 at 2:30 p.m. in the parlor of the church with 11 present. Mrs. Jerry Lee Moore, president, presided for the business meeting at which time plans were made for the annual breakfast to honor the Groom High School seniors on April 9 at 7:15 a.m. Also, announcement was made the ladies would again sponsor a bake sale on Groom Day.

The program on an Easter theme "United in Telling the Story: Eyewitnesses" was brought by Mrs. John Eschle assisted by Mrs. E.W. Lamberson and Mrs. N.B. Helton.

Mrs. Glynn D Harrell was hostess at the social time to conclude the meeting. Others present were Mrs. E.C. Goodlett, Mrs. Julia McGee, Mrs. Roy Ritter, Mrs. Essie Cooper-Knowles, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Schaffer.

Mrs. Berres Buried In Groom Wednesday

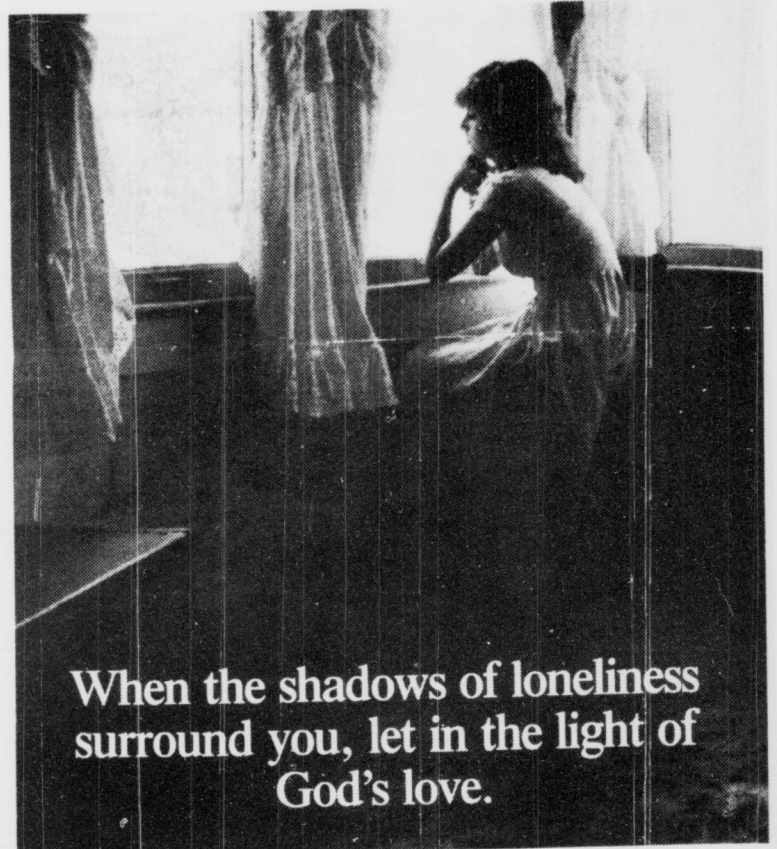
Ida Mary Berres, 79, of Pampa was buried in St. Mary's Cemetery in Groom last Wednesday, March 26. Funeral services were conducted at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church with Rev. Gary Sides, pastor, officiating. A rosary was said on Tuesday evening at Carmichael-Whately Colonial Chapel in Pampa on Tuesday.

Mrs. Berres died Monday. She was born Dec. 13, 1906. She married Englebert J. (Bert) Berres on Jan. 11, 1927, at Groom. He died in November of 1985. They were residents of Groom from 1927 to 1975, when they moved to Pampa.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Betty Johnson, Pampa; a son, Burdette Berres, Lubbock; five sisters, three brothers, five grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be made to St. Ann's Nursing Home at Panhandle.

Groom Band will perform in UIL Concert and Sight-reading Contest next Wednesday, April 9 in Panhandle School Auditorium at 3:30 p.m.



When the shadows of loneliness surround you, let in the light of God's love.

GOOD NEWS
AMERICA

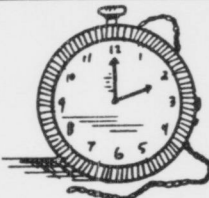


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Tigerettes Sweep Relays

The Tigerettes finished first again sweeping the Wheeler track meet with 102 points. Miami finished second with 90 and White Deer third with 86 points.

The necessary points to win the meet came with five first place wins for the Tigerettes.

Robbie Kuehler threw the discus 104'10" for first place and won third in the shot put with a toss of 32'7".

Top runners for the Tigerettes not only won individual first place awards but also team up for the 800 relay taking first place and second place in the 1600 M relay. Team members on the relays are Jowannah Ruthardt, Suni Barnett, Erin Kate Eschle and Karen Bohr.

Ruthardt won first in the 800 meters timed at 2:37.10; Bohr, first in the 100 meter clocked at 12.91; and Eschle finished the 200 meters in 27.29 for first place. The 800 relay was completed in 1:53.13 and the 1600 M relay in 4:23.42.

Other points for Groom were added by Bohr in the triple jump winning third with 31'. Lezlie Sweatt placed fourth in the 400 meters. Karen Bohr again placed fifth in the long jump and Erin Kate Eschle placed fifth in the triple jump.

The junior high girls track team also won places in a number of events but their overall standings did not rank them in the top six.

Jenni English finished second tossing the shot 26'9. Heather Patterson finished third in the 200 meters in 29.30. Carlene Britten placed fourth in the 100 meter hurdles and English was sixth in the 200 meter dash.

The junior high girls relay team composed of Laurie Weinheimer, Shannon Fields, Jenni English and Heather Patterson took fourth in the 400 meters and fifth in the 800 meters. Jenni English also placed sixth in the 200 meter dash.

Your School

By Rex Peeples

The three full days off for Easter were nice. I'm glad we didn't miss any bad weather days so that we could enjoy the full holiday.

The girls track team is still gaining momentum—winning the Wheeler Track Meet this past weekend. Congratulations to Coach Belcher and the Tigerettes.

We are getting excited about the UIL Literary meet in Clarendon this Saturday. All of the involved teachers and students are working

diligently at this time. I would bet that we will be big winners in the literary events.

This Saturday is election day. The school will again be the host for the city and school. At this time, we have fourteen absentee voters—about normal from past years. Be sure to exercise your right by voting this Saturday.

The gals at the Golden Spread Grill were having fun on April Fool's Day. I was served my morning coffee in a glass and my water in a cup. We all had good laughs that morning.

I believe April is the busiest month of the school year. In addition to the district literary, we have track, tennis, FFA judging at Tech and West Texas. Enough to keep everyone busy.

Thanks again for your support in our school.

Amarillo Reserve Unit To Fingerprint Children At Sat. Open House

U.S. Army recruiters and reservists will fingerprint children April 12 and 13 in Amarillo during an Army Reserve unit's open house.

Soldiers from the 2nd/89th Artillery Training Battalion will fingerprint children both days from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. at

the U.S. Army Reserve Center, said Sgt. Robert Permenter. The center is located at 2736 W. 10th.

The fingerprinting event is one of many activities planned for the public as part of the unit's open house festivities. Permenter said. McGruff the Crim Dog will also be at the open house to pass out "Play It Safe" coloring books on a first come, first served basis.

The Army has fingerprinted more than 10,000 Texas schoolchildren since the program, called Operation Childprint, began.

For more information, contact Sgt. Permenter at (806) 376-2181.

Mansels Observe 50th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Mansel celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary March 16 at the School Cafeteria. The couples children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren were all in attendance along with a host of friends and relatives.

A centerpiece of spring flowers accented the serving table that also featured a three tier cake topped with a wedding bell and hearts commemorating the golden anniversary. Guests were registered by the couple's granddaughter Diane Bowerman. Granddaughters Terri Rose, Kendra, Sandra and Janice Lamm, Delores Mansel and Wynell Finck served punch and cake to guests.

Out-of-town guests included Mr. and Mrs. Clint Waelti LaFayette, Co.; Vitula Davis, Tulia; Jean Howell, Mangum Ok.; Fern Howell, Erick, Ok.; Norman Henson, Borger; Mr. and Mrs. O.L. Henson, Jr., David and Stevie, Sanford, Tex.; Leola Stuart, Mobeetie; Mr. and Mrs. Albert Richardson, Sayre, Ok.

Also Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Richardson, Fritch; Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Richardson, Panhandle; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Richards, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Mitchell and Mr. and Mrs. Odell Davis and family, all of Panhandle; Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Coffee, Panhandle, Mr. and Mrs. Belton Bearden and Rosa Bearden, Pampa, Texas.

Local Happenings

Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Max Wade were Mr. and Mrs. James Anglin of Childress, Quannah Anglin of Lubbock, Wade and Travis Anglin of Canyon, Kayla and Bill Stallings, Clovis, N.M.

Betty and Leldon Hudson spent the Easter holiday visiting in Kansas City, Mo. with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hudson and Brooke.

Mr. and Mrs. John Snyder of Fritch, Tex. spent Easter Sunday with his brother Rip and Joy Snyder. Cobb Britten and Rip Snyder were Lubbock visitors Monday.

Gas Users Organization Hears Of Results

Roman Friemel, as representative of the area's energy users group in Groom, has received word from the West Texas Gas

corporation in Midland, Texas, that the local branch will be offering reductions to irrigation users with the April billings. "Mr. J.L. Davis, president of the firm, has announced that the new cost should be in the range of \$3.25 per MCF" says Friemel. "West Texas gas users were paying — at the lowest rate — two years ago, in the range of \$4.40, so this decrease will be helpful."

In addition, the firm projects that rates will go down an additional ten to fifteen cents this summer.

Commercial and resident rates for gas use continue to be high. Investigators learned that the current month for the Groom Independent School District, in using 705.8 MCF of gas through Producers Utilities Corporation, the company which sells irrigation fuel as Trans Texas Irrigation, paid the firm \$2,940, an average rate of \$4.16 per MCF. In response to inquiries, Joyce Hutsell reported that winter usage of

gas at the school for January billing was 987.6 MCF at \$4.39 for \$4,336; February, 1284 MCF at \$4.33 for \$5,560; and March 1163.8 MCF at \$4.25 for \$4,947. Gas cost for those four months for the school has been \$17,783.

"In addition," adds Hutsell, "use of the swimming pool during the spring and summer months necessitates the continued high consumption of gas so that the budget always has to include that appropriation. We

would certainly be pleased to see the commercial and residential rates decrease during the remainder of this school year.

Friemel emphasizes that the Texas Agricultural Energy Users association, based in Hereford, is exploring all avenues of legal and legislative assistance to energy users. "If we are able to maintain a strong county organization here," he says, "and work with the Plains Energy users, we may be able to achieve some significant results for the area."

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City Election Heats Up

Local City Council and School Board elections will be held this Saturday, April 5 at Lovett Library from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Three School Board seats will be up for election. Two are currently filled by Darryl Herndon and John Holland. The third is vacant.

The two incumbents have announced that they are seeking re-election. In addition, three other McLean residents, Linda Meador, Jim Barker and Bill Thomas, have announced their intentions to seek election to the board.

Darryl Herndon, who has served on the board for 9 years, was born and raised in McLean. He has been employed with Chevron Corporation for 7 years as an oil field operator. Prior to that, he was a rancher.

Herndon has four children, Teresa Haste of Hedley, Revina Smith of Lubbock, Clint, who lives in McLean and Rhonda, deceased.

His wife Jane owns and operates Simpson Insurance Agency.

John Holland, the other incumbent, has just completed his first term on the board. He has lived in McLean for the past 10 years where he is employed as an officer for the Department of Public Services. He was born and raised in Clarendon, where he attended college. Holland and his wife Freda have two daughters, Shelly and Sarah.

Candidate Linda Meador was born in Pampa and raised in McLean, where she went to school. She has been a licensed hairdresser for 20 years and currently teaches skin care techniques. She is married to Dennis Meador who is employed at El Paso Natural Gas Company. She has three children, Roxie Ingram of Pampa and Russell and Chris Littlefield, who live in McLean.

Mrs. Meador says, "I am running for the school board because we need to support our school system. It is better than it has been for years, but improvements still need to be made. We have a good PTA and school administration and we all need to work together. A school can't be measured in terms of dollars and cents." She added, "There have been rumors that I will be moving from McLean. I want to make it clear that I intend to stay here."

Jim Barker, who has lived in McLean most of his life, has owned and operated Barker Redi-Mix and Backhoe Service for the past 12 years. He and his wife Susan have two daughters, Patsy and Jamie.

When asked why he is seeking election to the board, Barker said, "I want to see the kids in McLean get the best education possible. I want to do my part to keep things running smooth. I will try to do a good honest job." Bill Thomas, who has lived

in McLean for seven years, was born in Bryan and raised in Wellington. He attended West Texas State University and a school for nursing home administration in Austin. He has been the director of the Thomas Nursing Center for the past 7 years. Thomas and his wife Tina have three children, Cindy, Jason and Jeremy. He also has a daughter, Amber, who lives in Amarillo.

He said he is running for the school board because, "My children are going to be in school for a number of years. I want to see that they and the other children in town get a quality education. I know that the school has to operate under strict rules and with limited finances. I just want to make sure that efficient business practices are being used."

In the race for City Council, there are five candidates: incumbents Martha Jo Bailey, Dr. Harold F. Fabian and June Suggs; and candidates Brian Pohlmeier, President of the Bank of Commerce and Rick Jones, who owns a upholstery business in McLean.

Martha Jo Bailey has just completed a one year term on the council. Born and raised in McLean, she is married to Billy Jack Bailey, a self-employed welder. They have two children, Mark and Joetta.

Mrs. Bailey says she is proud of the council's recent accomplishments, including the new water grant and the computer terminal for the library. She adds, "I want to be on the council because I am for the progress of this town. I have the people's interests at heart."

Incumbent Dr. Harold Fabian has just completed his first full term on the council. A resident of McLean for the past 29 years, he was born in Hallettsville and raised in Raymondville. After serving three years in the navy, he attended college in Corpus Christi and Dallas, where he obtained his medical degree.

Dr. Fabian said, "We have accomplished a lot during the past 2 years. We have improved our streets, renovated old buildings, painted the water tower, and we are about to install a new water system. We have done a lot to make the city more presentable, but there is still work to be done. It will take effort and cooperation from everyone in the community."

Dr. Fabian says he is seeking re-election because he wants to do his part in improving the town. He says, "There is still so much to do and I want to contribute. My only regret is that not enough people come to the council meetings to express their opinions. People should show more interest in this town."

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Alanreed Elections To Be Held on Saturday

Alanreed School Board elections will be held this Saturday, April 5, from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Alanreed school.

One three year term will appear on this Saturday's ballot. It is currently filled by Keith Calhoun, who is running unopposed for re-election. He was appointed to the position when a previous board member moved from the area. He is now seeking a full term on the board.

Mr. Calhoun was born and raised in Dimmit. He has lived in Alanreed for the past 7 years and has been married to his wife, Judy, for the past 2 years. He is currently employed at the Johnson Ranch.

Old-Timer's Game

The McLean Athletic Boosters will play their annual "Old-timers" basketball games on Tuesday, April 8. The event will be held at the high school gym.

Tip-off for the women's game will be at 6:30 p.m. Immediately following, the Booster Club men will play the faculty men.

The Booster officers elected for 1986-87 are: President, Casper Smith; Vice-president, Andy Eck; Secretary/Treasurer, Mary Ann Rice.

The Alanreed Community Improvement meeting will be held this Saturday, April 5, at 7:00 p.m.

The McLean Lion's Club will meet on Monday, April 7, at the Lion's Club building.

The McLean City Council will hold its monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 8 at 7:00 p.m.

McLean City Council and School Board elections will be held this Saturday, April 5, from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Lovett library.

Alanreed School Board elections will be held on Saturday, April 5, from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Alanreed School.

The North Zone District Tennis Tournament will be held April 7-8 in Borger.

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[Election]

Incumbent June Suggs is also just completing her first full term. She was raised in McLean and went to school here. She is currently employed as office manager for the Wheeler Feed Yard. She has one son, Randy, who lives in Big Spring.

In stating her reasons for seeking re-election, Mrs. Suggs said, "I have enjoyed serving and would like to keep working for McLean and its citizens. All of the people in this town deserve a council and a mayor who will work toward meeting the city's needs and wants. She adds, "I would appreciate everyone's support."

Candidate Rick Jones was born in McLean and attended school here for several years. He moved away 18 years ago and returned in 1983. He owns his own upholstery business in town. Jones ran for City Council last year because, he said, "I wanted to learn more about it." Now, he is seeking election again because, "I don't like the present council. I think it is inadequate and it has been a vendetta council against the mayor. It doesn't have enough work sessions and attendance is poor. How can work be done if the council

members aren't there." Jones believes he would make a good councilman because, he says, "I am strong on principles and convictions. Also, I am young and can introduce some new ideas."

Candidate Brian Pohlmeier, who is running for the council for the first time, was born and raised in Tullia. He has a B.A. degree in Finance from Texas Tech University and has over 9 years of experience in the financial industry. He and his wife Peggy have one son, Levi. They have lived in McLean for the past year and a half. Pohlmeier is the President of the Bank of Commerce.

He is running for the council because, he says, "There are changes that need to be made and I think I can help make them. Sometimes, a new resident can suggest changes that long-time residents might not see. For example, we need to clean up the old Route 66 because it is the first impression that people have of this town. There are also a lot of old run-down buildings that need to be removed. Many changes can be made without a lot of cost to the taxpayers."

Pohlmeier adds, "I have been involved in various civic organizations and I enjoy working on city projects. My business experience qualifies me for the position because it has allowed me to understand financial operations. I believe I can help the city in the preparation of its budget."

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Services Held For
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Services for Alma Victoria Weaver, 94, were held yesterday at 2:30 p.m. at the Church of Christ in McLean. Gerald Beasley, minister, officiated.

Burial was at Hillcrest Cemetery under the direction of Lamb Funeral Home.

Mrs. Weaver died Monday morning at Thomas Nursing Center.

She was born Feb. 9, 1882, in Howe, Tex. She moved to McLean from Howe in 1906. She married Charley Weaver in 1912. He died in 1938. One son, Gordon, also preceded her in death. She was a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include one son, Charles Weaver of McLean; two daughters, Margaret Guill of Conroe and Sybil Cox of Dallas; one sister, Johnnie McGann of Vernon; 7 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Fidelas Group Meets

The Fidelas Sunday school class met in the home of Mildred Giesler on March 27 for their monthly social. Her tables were decorated for the Easter holiday. She served salads, jelly beans and Easter eggs. Annie Reeves brought the devotional assisted by Onie Gibson.

Others attending were Pauline Miller, Suzie Trout, Bertha Smith, Ada Simmons, Relia Ayers and Edith Bybee.

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School Officials Look For Ways To Solve Financial Crunch

Gray County taxing entities received word from Charles Buzzard, Gray County chief appraiser, that the county's tax jurisdictions could expect a decline of up to 30% in the mineral tax base for the 1986 tax year. The information came after a meeting of tax officials in Amarillo hosted by Pritchard and Abbott, Inc., the engineering firm that handles the valuation of oil and gas for most Panhandle counties. The engineers told the group that the decrease was expected due to lower oil prices, lower gas prices, curtailment

and lower production. A decline of greater than 30% is expected in the areas where high gas-oil ratios are being experienced.

McLean school officials said that, according to these predictions, the district could lose up to \$12,000,000 in taxable value. This would translate into a loss of up to \$120,000 in tax revenue. While officials are hopeful that the loss will not reach such magnitude, the possibility of losing this revenue, coupled with a decrease in the receipts from state funds and mandated budget increases, have school officials and school board members desperately seeking ways to cope with an operating deficit of as much as \$269,000 for

the 1986-87 school year.

Mrs. Shirley Johnson, business manager, said that officials and board members have already begun working on next year's budget and are seeking solutions to the problem with their foremost goal being to provide the best education possible at the lowest cost possible. She said that to fully understand the magnitude of the problem, a person needs to know a little of the financial history of the school district.

In the past, local sources have provided from 65-70% of the school's revenue, while state funds have picked up about 30 to 33 percent of the tab. Federal funds have accounted for the remaining 2 percent. The primary source of local revenue is local maintenance taxes which are normally collected during the months of October through January, giving the school district approximately 90 percent of their local funds available by the month of February each year. For the past 10 to 15 years, these funds have been invested over the balance of the school year so as to earn as much for the school district as possible. The high interest rates paid during the late 1970's and early 1980's enabled the

school district to accumulate a reserve which has been used in the past primarily for

improvements to the district's facilities. During 1985-86, however, falling interest rates and the loss of state funds, along with increased costs, caused the school district to have to begin budgeting the interest from their investments along with some of the principal from the reserve for normal operating costs. The decline in revenue actually began with the 1985-86 budget, which reflects a 9 percent revenue drop from 1984-85. However, due to the mandates imposed on the school district from S.B. 75 and H.B. 72, the operating costs of the school district are not declining.

Mrs. Johnson stated that the board and school officials are looking at several means of solving the financial crunch. "We will probably have to use several methods of coping with this", she said. "We do not want to increase taxes, but some increase will probably be inevitable. We are also going to have to use some of our reserve, which in the past we have used for the buildings. But we must keep in mind that this is the only place we have to go for any improvements that have to be made to the buildings and grounds. The next thing we can do will be to cut the budgeted expenses in any area that we can without harming the educational program. We have already planned cuts in

several areas, and will be looking at every area very thoroughly before the final 1986-87 budget decisions are made this summer." She said that it is going to take all of the expertise and experience of the school board members and everyone else involved in order to make a budget that both the school and taxpayers can live with.

Final figures on the actual loss of value suffered by the county's tax units will not be available until around the first of May.

Services Held For Audie Turnbow

Services for Audie Mary Turnbow, 84, were held at 2:00 p.m. on Monday in the Lamb Funeral Home Chapel. Reverend Jeff Messer, pastor of the First Baptist Church, officiated.

Burial was at Hillcrest Cemetery under the direction of Lamb Funeral Home.

Mrs. Turnbow, who was a resident of Thomas Nursing Center, died Thursday in Amarillo.

She was born July 5, 1901. She moved to McLean from Shamrock on Feb. 17, 1984. She was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include one son, Emmett Lankford of Modesto, Ca.; two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Beth Chi Group Meets

Beta Chi Conclave of Kappa Kappa Iota met Monday in the Lefors School Cafeteria for the purpose of voting on the slate of officers for next year. In the business meeting, led by Norma Lantz, the Nominating Committee Chairman, Pauline Phillips, presented the following candidates: President, Paula Whitney; Vice-president, Le-la Harris; Secretary and Treasurer, Rebecca Robinson. They were approved unanimously. Hostesses for the meeting were Pauline Phillips and Virginia Archer. The door prize was won by Pat Seeley. The next meeting will be in the cafeteria on April 28, with Rebecca Robinson and Clarice Ross as co-hostesses.

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Susanna Group Meets

The Susanna Group of United Methodist Women met Tuesday, Feb. 25th at 10:00 a.m. in the Junior High Class room to continue the study of Genesis. Eva Peabody opened the meeting with a prayer and Katy Graham led the study.

The ladies brought a sack lunch and worked on lap robes for the Thomas Nursing Center.

Others present were Mary Powell, Isabel Cousins, Fern Boyd, Inez Trostle, Margaret Coleman, Mardy Cable, Beatrice Foster, Betty McCurley, and Molly McDowell.

Route 66 To Be Redone

According to Mayor George Terry, the city of McLean has received approval to make improvements on the old Route 66 that runs through the middle of town.

The west-bound lane will be completely redone throughout the city. The east-bound lane will be sealed with gravel, tar and oil. In addition, the road will be striped with parking spaces.

The contract will be open to bidders during the month of April. The highway will be renamed Business Loop 40 (Loop 555).

Alpha Xi Upsilon Meets

Ritual of Jewels was held for Melba Hawkins and Lydia Meaker. Linda McAnear has been crowned Sorority Queen with Melba Hawkins, Jan Layfield and Cherine Beaver elected princesses. The Easter Egg Hunt, which is sponsored annually by Alpha Xi Upsilon, was held March 28 in the McLean City Park for kids up to 12 years of age.

The Children's Pageant plans were completed with a date set for May 3. Posters, along with entry forms, will be placed locally and neighboring towns. Those interested in further information may call 779-2577 or 779-3261.

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Open Letter From Mayor Terry

The following is an open letter from Mayor G.W. Terry to all citizens of the City of McLean:

Dear Friends:

Three years ago when I ran for mayor and you elected me to serve you, I promised that if elected I would be a hard-working mayor and I feel I have fulfilled that promise to each of you.

There has been some controversy of late concerning the decrease in natural gas rates which Councilman Pagan and Councilwoman Suggs were in favor of passing on to the residents. I'd like you to know that I am in full agreement that this decrease should be passed on to the citizens, however, Councilmen Fabian and Green and Councilwoman Bailey are not in favor of this action and voted against it.

There has been some talk around town lately that if the City of McLean granted you this decrease in your natural gas prices that it would be necessary for the city council to raise city taxes. A decrease to you in natural gas prices has nothing whatsoever to do with the raising of the city taxes. There has not been an increase in city taxes for several years, certainly not since I have been your mayor, and I want each of you to know that I have been and will be opposed to a raise in city taxes.

I am very strongly in favor of granting the residents a decrease in their natural gas prices, which decrease was granted to the city on October 1, 1985, by El Paso Natural Gas in the amount of 60 cents per 1,000 cubic feet of gas. At the time you read this letter El Paso Natural Gas will have given the city a second decrease in natural

gas prices in the amount of 39 cents per 1,000 cubic feet, making a total of 99 cents per 1,000 cubic feet decrease in natural gas prices which the city has received from El Paso Natural Gas. At the time I was advised of the second decrease being granted effective April 1, 1986, by El Paso Natural Gas to the City of McLean, I questioned the advisor as to whether or not there was a possibility of the price of natural gas being increased to the City of McLean, and was advised that there would be no increase in its natural gas prices to the city in the near future.

Since Councilmen Fabian and Green and Councilwoman Bailey voted down the first decrease to you which was granted to the city on October 1, 1985, there is every likelihood that each decrease henceforth will also be voted down, unless there

is a change in the conscious of the three council persons who are against this action.

The City of McLean is not broke and the first decrease asked for was only allowing the city residents 40 cents per 1,000 cubic feet of the 60 cents per 1,000 cubic feet granted to the city by El Paso Natural Gas.

One of the major reasons due to the limitation of gas decrease was due to the absence of Councilman Fabian at the time the decrease was voted for on February 25, 1986, and I voted the tie-off voting in favor of the 40 cents per 1,000 cubic feet of natural gas. Since he was present for the reading of the ordinance on March 11, 1986, he voted against it.

I believe very strongly in the City of McLean and I truly care for its residents. I also believe that the City of McLean should operate within its fixed budget just like all

of us have to do. I further believe that the city employees should give a good days work for a days pay.

Please be assured that as long as I continue to serve as your mayor, I will be making a concerted effort to look after your interests as well as the City of McLean. I hope you will always feel free to call on me if I can be of assistance to you in any way.

Sincerely,
/S/ G.W. Terry, Mayor
City of McLean

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News From The Nursing Home

Our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Audie Turnbow who passed away March 27 and Alma Weaver, who passed away March 31. They will be greatly missed.

Sunday at noon, Gib Welch, from Borger, was

here to sing and play his guitar for the residents. In the afternoon, Reverend Archie Cooper, of the Pentecostal Holiness Church, was here to conduct services.

Monday morning, the residents finished making the Easter baskets. In the afternoon, the following residents played bingo: Ruth Kemp, Mabel Weeks, Leon Burch,

Earl Tolleson, Grace Swallow, Kittie Hesse, Annie Eudey, Inez Fields, Marvin Tibbetts, Gladys Smulcer, Elsa Stalls, Alice Dickenson, Cicero Turpen, Stella Gib-

son, Frank Reeves and Lucille Cullison. Our helpers were Cliffie Heasley, Mildred Giesler, Onie Gibson, Marie Reeves, Loree Barker, Bertha Smith, Annie Herndon and Buna Gudgel. Bananas were furnished for all bingo players by the Lion's Club.

Tuesday, Lena Carter, Mary Davis and Brenda McLain were here to assist our residents in dominos. Residents playing were Inez Fields, P.L. Ledgerwood, Earl Tolleson, Annie Eudey, Leon Burch, Elsa Stalls, Stella Gibson, Lula Sheegog, Ruth Kemp and Dick Wheeler.

Many thanks to Wanda Lamb, Cathy Bailey and Thelma Holman for arranging the new plants in our planter box. The plants were furnished by the Thomas Nursing Center Ladies' Auxiliary.

Wednesday afternoon,

members of the Pentecostal Church were here for a Bible study and returned Thursday for a Sing-a-Long.

Friday afternoon, Bill Thomas show the movies to our residents.

Saturday was our Easter party. Cynthia Hauck played the background music on the piano while the following children modeled their Easter outfits: Michelle and D.J. Basham, Toby, Ricky and Jennifer Smith, Tommy and Jennifer Pennington, Lacy Lee and Shaley Steele, Sarah Myers, Bonnie, Christopher and Amanda Hauck, Christopher Bybee, Holly and Justin Myers, J.C. Skinner and the youngest was Jamie Ann Marie Kingston, age three months. Our Easter bunny, Evelyn Pennington, presented each child that modeled

bunny baskets made by our residents. Ginger Morilla baked and decorated cup cakes for all. Punch was furnished by Marie Reeves. Ladies serving were Ginger Morilla, Fern Boyd, Isabelle Cousins, Louise Turner, Mary Dwyer, Heidi Syfrett and Danny Sullens. A special thank you to all mentioned above for making our Easter party a great success.

City government is, without a doubt, the most important governing body in our democracy. Not only does it allow 'common-man' and community participation; it is touchable --- and we alone can shape it to effectively fit our needs.

A City Council must be alert to these needs --- accepting direct responsibility for our problems and grievances, then acting upon them quickly and decisively.

A City Council must be strong --- united in striving for economic growth and stability as well as the peace and prosperity of citizens. It must be filled with energies and ideas --- dreams, goals and ideals, and it must always provide a steady foundation of optimism. Our very survival as a productive and solvent community depend upon these qualities.

A City Council must be a reflection of community pride and effort. It is our collective voice and should be spoken with strength, dignity, sobriety and enthusiasm. And it must have a conscience --- there is no room in the council-chamber for personal politics, selfish motivation, partisan influence and petty resentment. Decisions made affect us all and should be made conscientiously, on behalf of us all.

Our present council is none of these things it must be, at a time when proper representation and unity are most needed. The council-chamber is a theatre of sarcasm, pessimism, personal vendetta and living in the past. Lack of principle and weakness in conviction are apparent in the face of every decision --- decisions, eventually, are not reached, but grabbed from a pocket. Recent votes by members Green, Bailey and Fabian have denied us a gas rate decrease and dangerously attempt to limit administrative authority of our Mayor --- at a time when over 60% of our citizens live well below the poverty level and have many problems.

It is both a comedy and a tragedy.

Obviously, it is past time for a change. This problem is the responsibility of the voters, and repeating last years mistakes won't help.

I was born here and plan to remain. The only way I can be certain a good change will come is to take a seat and work toward it --- and I'd like to give it a try.

I would appreciate your support.

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Alanreed Briefs

The Dave Bethune family is spending the week with Mrs. Bethune's parents, the Robert Bruce's.

Beth Sharp of Clarendon spent one day last week with her mother, Rose Hall, as did her brother Jack and his son.

The Marshall Haynes family spent Easter weekend in Oklahoma.

Visiting the Dick Bode family over the weekend were son Dick, Jr. and a friend, Tanya Nelson, and son Don of Clarendon.

Ruth and Brenda McLain were in Pampa on Wednesday.

Carl Baker was unable to be in the pulpit on Sunday as he is in Coronado Hospital.

Mrs. R.L. Leeder came home from the hospital last week.

Visiting the Robert Bruce's, and attending services at the First Baptist Church, were Mr. and Mrs. Dave Bethune and Nickie, of Midland, and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Bruce, Shawn, Kay and Paul of Pampa.

Visiting the Hartley Davis' during the weekend were Willis May's of Panhandle.

The R.D. McLain's spent the Easter holiday in Oklahoma with Ruth's mother and others.

Alanreed Homemakers

The Alanreed Homemaker's Club met March 26 in the home of Lena Carter. Everyone enjoyed a covered dish luncheon. Lena Carter, Vice-president, presided over the business sessions and also read the Scripture. Roll call was what Lena calls "what I like about spring" and was answered by Anita Bruce, Mary Davis, Nell Keese and Lena Carter. The minutes were read by Nell. Anita Bruce gave a THEA talk on "Financial Buying at the Supermarkets." The luncheon was also a birthday celebration for Mary, Lena and Nell.

Pioneer Study Club

Pioneer Study Club honored McLean High School seniors with a tea on March 23 at the Church of Christ annex.

Bonnie Fabian welcomed the guests and seniors introduced themselves, their parents and grandparents. Each was given a yellow rose or bluebonnets.

Myrt Leigh, a graphologist from Pampa, gave the program. She illustrated how handwriting can be used as character or aptitude analysis. Each senior enjoyed having their handwriting read.

In keeping with the Sesquicentennial theme, the six flags of Texas formed the background for the meeting.

The serving table also carried out the theme with a beautiful arrangement of Texas wildflowers and delicious Texas refreshments. Some seventy guests signed the register.

High School Boys

100 meter dash: 1st place-Chet Bohlar, 11.24 seconds; 2nd place-Russell Littlefield, 11.34 seconds

200 meter dash: 2nd place-Chet Bohlar, 23.63 seconds; 4th place-Russell Littlefield, 23.90 seconds

300 meter hurdles: 4th place-Donnie Smith, 44.38 seconds

800 meter dash: 5th place-Bob Patman, 2:18.10

3200 meter run: 5th place-Dan Passmore-12:26.09

400 meter relay: 4th place-McLean team, 47.41 seconds

1600 meter relay: 4th place-McLean team, 3:55.30

High School Girls

400 meter dash: 3rd place-Kristie Thompson, 1:05.71

1600 meter run: 4th place-Misty Magee, 7:32.49

Triple jump: 6th place-Shawn Crockett, 30' 2"

Junior High Boys

Long jump: 1st place-Tres Hess, 17' 8 1/2"

200 meter dash: 1st place-Tres Hess, 27.04 seconds

1600 meter run: 1st place-Donald Harris, 5:43.06

100 meter dash: 2nd place-Tres Hess, 12.33 seconds

High jump: 3rd place-James Martin, 4' 10"

5th place-Donald Harris, 4' 10"

800 meter dash: 6th place-Daniel Harris, 2:41.00

400 meter relay: 4th place-McLean team, 55.74 seconds

1600 meter relay: 5th place-McLean team, 5:04.26

Junior High Girls

200 meter dash: 2nd place-Jill Brown, 29.27 seconds

High jump: 3rd place-Jill Brown, 4' 4"

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School Candidates
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board. She actively participates in school affairs by being present regularly and

working with various school activities. She says that having a degree in education, she has tried to stay current in matters effecting education. If elected to serve, she would like to "see that we use our tax money to the best advantage for the

benefit of our students as a whole—academically and physically. I feel that we can benefit from more frequent turnovers of members to assure a continuity of fresh ideas and viewpoints from time to time." She also says, she would work toward "development of good communication among the educational trio of administration, teachers and community to benefit the students."

Joe Homer and his wife Barbara have four sons, Tony, Daryl, Robert and Stanley, all students at Groom Schools. Homer says he would "listen to the taxpayer," if elected, "because it is their school too." He would also seek to "help insure quality education for the children of our community."

Dennis Babcock and his wife Carol have two sons, ages 7 and 4. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in agriculture economics from WTSU. He has chosen to seek election to the school board to "insure a quality education for our children and accomplish this without placing an excessive burden on the taxpayers of the district."

Phillis Jackson is also seeking a seat on the school board. She is the wife of Kenneth Jackson and they have three children, Rick York, Carmel York and Kristi Jackson and they are anxiously awaiting the arrival of their fourth in September. Mrs. Jackson is a stock and commodities broker having trained at the New York Institute of Finance Stock & Commodities Broker and studied real estate at Amarillo College. If

"If elected my priority will be to emphasize utilizing taxpayers dollars for the best education possible."

"I feel any capital expenditures on the facility should be postponed at this time and available funds used to improve quality of education. I would like to see teachers get the money and recognition they deserve."

In regards to the total resurfacing of the track, the safety of the students is of paramount importance. However I do feel repairs can be made with satisfactory results, without the expense of a total resurface job.

I feel that we have made some unnecessary expenditures in the past that were not directed toward the primary purpose of the school, that being the education of the student.

I am very proud to say my children were educated in the Groom School system and hope to serve my community as a member of the school board."

Also seeking a seat on the school board but not responding to a questionnaire mailed to candidates by The News is Hop Britten.

Polls will open this Saturday at 7:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m. voting in both elections will be conducted at the office of the Superintendent at Groom Schools. Absentee voting will also continue on the day of election until noon. All candidates express their desire for residents to voice their opinion by going to the polls this Saturday.

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Card of Thanks

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For Carson County Judge:
JAY R. ROSELIUS*

For County-District Clerk:
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Mr. and Mrs. Bill Stallings and Helen Wade spent last week in Bedford, Tex visiting Dr. Twila Wade.

Mrs. Glynn D Harrell, Carson County Lay Representative of the Texas Panhandle Library System, attended a meeting of the group Tuesday, March 25 at Central Library in Amarillo.

Carole and Jarred Garmon spent Easter Sunday visiting with Mr. and Mrs. W.M. Garmon.

Guests in the Glynn D Harrell home Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. R.J. Mulkey, Matthew, Jeremy and Mrs. Steven Hightower of Panhandle, Mr. and Mrs. Jim G. Ingram of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Glynn G. Ingram of Dallas, Miss Lauralee Ingram of Irving, Jason Eschle and Mrs. Viola Harrell.

Connie Beckwith of Perryton visited her parents Mr. and Mrs. Austin Crowell Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cariton Turvaville and children spent the Easter holidays visiting in Vernon, Texas with his mother.

Miss Lauralee Ingram visited her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Glynn D

Harrell Wednesday and Thursday while on Spring break from teaching at McArthur High School in Irving.

Stella Patterson, Thelma Pool and June Pool spent Sunday in Canyon where they attended church services and visited Mr. and Mrs. Gary Pool and children.

Groom residents hospitalized during the past week were Joe Davis at Amarillo, Mrs. Kenneth Black in Pampa. Those released from the hospital were Buddy Weller and Mrs. John L. Krizan from Pampa and Clarence Merrick from Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Weller and children visited her parents Mr. and Mrs. Ted Friemel, Sunday.



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