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We Saw...

Commissioner Raphael Britten is to be commended on his vote of no to any salary increases for county employees. In hard times, for everyone as now, we are glad to see our county commissioners putting the taxpayers before themselves. . .

Construction at the Rutherford's home. . .

Jake Lacy up early Monday morning doing some lawn mowing. . .

Ruth Knight trimming her yard. . .

Georgous flower gardens at the Page Blackwell home.

Uncle Bill and Ryan welcomed to Groom with a sign above the garage at the McLaughlin home. . .

Sandie, Russell and Amanda Conrad traveling to the library on bikes and trikes. . .

James McCoy and Ross Nix keeping a watchful eye on football practice. . .

Ray Pool looking over a motorcycle. . .

Nila Burgin and Brin dressed sleek headed out of town. . .

New band director, Steve Thomas, moving into his house in Groom. . .

Tina Painter giving her new front yard a trim. . .

Charlie and Nettie Fields having a productive garden.

Zeldon Jenkins headed to the grocery store. . .

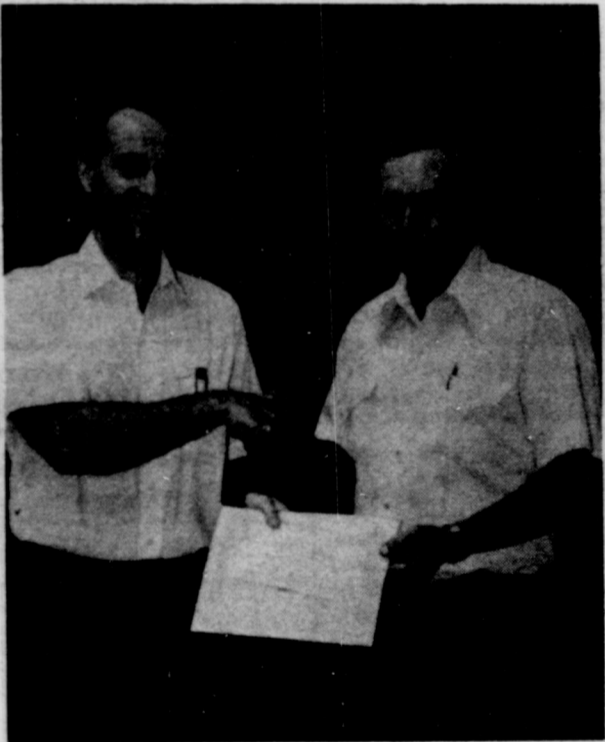
Norris Hoyt on the job early Tuesday morning. . .

Turvaville Ends Workshop

Carlton Turvaville of Groom High School, right, accepts a certificate of completion from Seth Thomason of Southwestern Public Service Company following the "Electrical Controls and Safety Workshop" conducted



Groom Tigers began workouts last week with a new coach, Eric Erwin. Erwin comes to Groom from Kress where he served as head football coach and athletic director. In Groom he will serve as an assistant coach in football and head girls basketball coach.



ed Aug. 4 and 5 at West Texas State University. The seminar—sponsored by SPS Texas-New Mexico Power Company, West Texas Utilities and WTSU—updated vocational-agriculture teach-

ers on the fundamentals of electric control equipment and safety. Teachers received 10 hours of Advanced Academic Training from the Texas Education Agency for completing the workshop.

County Judge Receives \$200 Per Month For Automobile Allowance

With an eye on a shrinking tax base and lagging economy, Carson County Commissioners met in session August 11, took no action on a salary grievance submitted by District and County Clerk Sue Persons, turned down a payout waiver for a new deputy and maintained the current \$200 per month car allowance for commissioners. The court also listened to a delegation of Fritch residents, whose property lies in Carson County, outlining the counties proposed share of medical and fire services for the coming year. The proposed county obligation in that area \$4,682.89 for fire protection, and \$1,205.96 for ambulance service.

In other action the court granted a \$200 per month increase in car allowance for the county judge.

According to County-District Clerk, Sue Persons, that office already carries a 23c per mile car allowance on out-of-town trips.

The court, on a move by Commissioner Smith, approved a resolution the

county support the establishment of a regional law enforcement drug unit. The action carried on a second from Lee Lockridge.

A bid for a used motor grader for precinct 4 was accepted. The bid in the amount of \$4,850 includes a trade in for another unit.

Sheriff Connie Reed has asked the commissioners to consider waiving the six month probation period for new deputy Jim Miller. The court denied the request to bypass the \$50 pay cut for that period. Miller replaces Earl Pollard who resigned effective Aug. 1.

R.J. Britten, precinct 1 commissioner, gained the courts approval to allow a two inch pipeline be installed in that precinct.

The commissioners adjourned to a closed session to discuss and take action on evaluation of duties and benefits of county personnel. Commissioner Lockridge said it was the consensus of the court to grant no raises after considering the economy in the private sector and wage line

in the private sector. "I feel that raises can be considered again in the future and, if the money situation looks better, be granted next year.

"Elected officials can ask for raises for their employees and they should but when raises are not feasible, they have to be denied. Maybe things will look better economically next year," the Commissioner concluded.

The court concluded the meeting with a budget session, working out details for county expenditures which amount to a proposed \$2,382,937 for fiscal year 1987-88.

Road and bridge requirements will take the biggest bite of the money with a proposed \$870,365.

Funding for correction and law enforcement will take another \$306,268 followed by health and welfare with \$266,378.

The total proposed budget is slated for public scrutiny on August 24, 9:30 a.m. at the courthouse. Citizens will have an opportunity then to give written or oral comment at that time.

School Registration Set For August 31

Registration for Groom students will be held on Monday, August 31. High school students pre-registered at the end of the last school year so administrators are anticipating few changes in the schedule when school begins on Tuesday, Sept. 1. Teachers will go to work on Monday, Aug. 24 spending three days in teacher in-service meetings.

Registration will begin at 9:30 a.m. for elementary students and continue to 11:30 a.m. Kindergarten students and students registering for the first time will need to bring their birth

certificate and immunization records. Students entering kindergarten will also need to make application for a social security number if they do not already have one.

Junior High students will register at 9:30 a.m. in the following rooms: Grade 6, Room D; Grade 7, Room B; and Grade 8, Room A.

High school students will register in the math room according to the following schedule: Seniors, 10 a.m.; Juniors, 11 a.m.; Sophomores, 1 p.m. and Freshmen, 2 p.m.

All new students will register at 1:30 p.m. in Room A.

Community Calendar

Football scrimmage here tonight against Valley at 7:00 p.m.

A reunion of W.T. High School classmates is being planned for Aug. 22 at 6:30 p.m. at the LaPaloma Inn, I-40E, Amarillo.

SOS meets for noon luncheon at St. Mary's Hall, Thursday, Aug. 27.

Commodities will be distributed on Monday, Aug. 24 at the Groom Branch Library, 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.

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Local Happenings

Gail Burton, Pam Hutsell, Susan Burgin, Leatrice Reck, Annetta Childress and Debra Addy were among Groom teachers attending the annual reading conference held at West Texas State University last week.

Visiting in the home of Max and Helen Wade this past week were Maxine and James Anglin of Childress, his mother May Kidwell of Pittsburg, Tex., Wade Anglin of Canyon, Quanna Anglin of Lubbock and Kayla Stallings of Clovis and her son Dean Wade. Kayla continued on to Dallas for a visit with her sister Twila and Dean Wade remained behind to spend time with his grandparents.

Anna and Josiah Burroughs of Shreveport, La. are visiting their grandparents this week, Betty and Leldon Hudson, while their parents vacation in London, England.

Ross and Leanna Pool and daughter Andrea of Rio Hondo came to Groom and visited his mother, Sylvia Pool. She accompanied them to Watson, Okla. visiting her daughter Betty and Harold Martin, granddaughter, Lisa Wikel and two great grandchildren, Justin and Rebecca.

Those attending the song-fest and youth meeting sponsored by the Church of Christ in Claude Saturday evening were Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Payton and Brent, Emalea London, Lenabel Newton, Glenna Reed, Helen Witt, Kim and Roni Fields, Angela Reed and Andrea Payton.

Helen Witt attended a meeting of the Hi-Plains Poetry Society at the Central Library in Amarillo Saturday afternoon.

William and Floretta Neal of Amarillo and Bertha Knight were visiting with Leslie and Dora Neal of Clarendon Saturday.

Other visitors were the Neal's son Kenneth and wife Gretchen and their son Keith of Dallas.

Among Groom residents hospitalized this week were Rose Fields, a surgery patient in Amarillo; Mary Lee Friemel at St. Anthony's for tests and Dan Farley a surgical patient.

Observe Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. W.M. Garmon celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Sunday, August 2 at the United Methodist Church. A host of family and friends attended the celebration.

Hosting the event were the Garmons children, Mike and Dorothy, Woodstock, Ill.; Steve and Ann Garmon, McLean, Va.; Randy and Susan Garmon, Alpine, Tx., Dr. Robert Garmon, Aledo, Tx., and Carole Anne Garmon of Amarillo.

Guests included Bertha and Carl Gueths, Albuquerque, N.M.; Waite and Shirley Gene McNulty, Borger; Ed and Fern of Canyon; Stacie White and family, Betty and Emma Kay Burgdorf, Amarillo; Burmia Lynn Wood, Greenville; Dan Gueths, Dallas, John Burgdorf, Canyon; and grandchildren Joel and Laurie of Ill.; Stephanie, Ashleigh and Caroline, McLean, Va.

Card Of Thanks

Jim and I want to thank you for your prayers and help you offered us while he was hospitalized last week. The visits and flowers made the days easier to bear. We love you.

Jim & Ruby

Mr. and Mrs. Max Summers spent Aug. 5 with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Cornett. They were enroute home to Colleyville from a vacation in Colorado.

Buster Haning of Wheeler visited in the home of Zoah Britten last Tuesday.

Gayle Ballard Shelden is being treated on an out-patient basis at High Plains Baptist Hospital.

She is staying at the home of her parents Gene and Arlene Ballard, north of Groom.

A benefit fund has been set up at State National Bank for those who would like to help the family with the medical bills resulting from her leukemia treatment.

Suzanne Bralley graduated from Internation Aviation and Travel Academy in Arlington, Texas, Aug. 6. She has accepted a position with Universal Travel Agency located in the Hilton Hotel in Las Vegas, Nev. She said to tell all her Groom friends to come out and stop by for a visit.

Bill and Bebe Bralley enjoyed a delicious steak cook-out with the L.D. Littlefields Friday night.

Jack and Chick Howard returned home Monday after flying to California spending 10 days visiting his son Jerry Don Howard, of Ontario, Calif., her sisters, Lois Krause of Los Angeles and Ellen Jewett of Bakersfield, Calif.

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Schools Set 1987-88 Holiday Schedule

"Where did the summer go?" Seems to be a familiar question as teachers enjoy their last week of summer vacation and prepare next week for the opening day of classes on September 1.

Students will be beginning their third six weeks of school before they are granted a leave for the Thanksgiving holidays which will be November 26 and 27. The Christmas holidays will include two weeks this year with school dismissing on December 21 and

classes resuming on January 4 as the New Year's holiday is on Friday.

A teacher workday is set for January 18, after the first semester of school is finished. Students will observe this day as a holiday.

The annual ski holiday will be observed on Feb. 29, March 1 and 2. Easter holidays will be April 1, 4 and 5.

The final day of classes will be held on May 27 with commencement services planned on the same day. Thus, students will have completed 175 days of classroom instruction.

Groom-McLean School Districts Compared To Those Across Texas

Last year trustees in the 1,061 local school districts adopted budgets totaling \$12.2 billion and levied local property taxes totaling \$5 billion to pay for it. The state provided \$4.8 billion of foundation aid, and the remainder was funded by school lunch and other fees, federal aid, bond sales and other revenue.

Locally, the Groom's ISD's tax levy last year was lowered 18.1 percent for 1986-87 as compared to 7.92 percent lower in McLean and an 8.2 percent increase for the average school district in Texas.

The figures come from the latest issue of Bench Marks for 1987-88 School District Budgets in Texas, an annual publication of the Texas Research League, an Austin-based, educational corporation engaged in governmental research.

School budgets adopted last year called for spending an average of \$3,088 per student for current operations plus \$281 for interest and repayment of debt and \$464 per student for capital outlay. Groom's budget provided \$4,371 per student and McLean, \$5,014 per student for current operations, \$229 for debt service in Groom and \$2257 per student for capital outlay based on 233 students enrolled last fall. In McLean, no money was spent on debt service, \$3,690 per student for capital outlay based on 251 students enrolled in the fall of 1986.

The average salary for classroom teachers paid by Groom in 1985-86 was \$21,847 and in McLean, \$21,974. The average among all school districts in Texas as \$24,487 per classroom teacher.

In Groom ISD the average salary for administrators was \$39,191, in McLean, \$35,785, and \$28,071 in Groom for other professional support employees and in McLean \$27,972. Support personnel includes librarians, counselors, nurses and supervisors.

Four dollars in five were spent for salaries. Statewide payroll expense average \$2,506 per student as compared to \$3,242 in Groom and \$3,608 in McLean ISD. Payroll expense is a combination of salary levels and staffing patterns.

Taxpayers provided one teacher for 10.4 students in Groom and 11.2 in McLean compared to a statewide pupil-teacher ratio of 1 to 17.4. Because of small classes, especially at the high-school level, and abbreviated teaching schedules, many classes have more than the average number of students.

The average school district imposed a property tax at the rate of 79.3 cents per \$100 of appraised value, which value averaged 93.8 percent of market value (selling price).

The "true tax rate" was 74.3 cents (79.3 times 93.82 percent) statewide. Locally, the Groom ISD imposed a rate of \$1.08 while property was appraised at 100.4 of its market value making the true rate 1.085 per \$100 of market value. In McLean a rate of \$1.00 was imposed while property was appraised at 100.8 of its market value making the true rate 1.008 per \$100.

The report points out that the calculation of a true tax rate based on market value rather than appraised value enables a valid comparison of tax levels with other schools. In 1986, the true tax rate exceeded \$1 in 196 school districts in Texas.

The tax on a house in Groom and McLean districts that would sell for \$80,000 would have been \$756 in Groom or \$727 in McLean.

Revenue lost from exemptions exceeded a billion dollars. To balance school budgets, the revenue loss from exemptions was imposed upon other taxpayers in the school district.

Local property taxes plus state aid was \$4,459 in Groom per student and \$4,373 in McLean per student as compared to \$3,075 statewide. The primary purpose of state aid is to equalize state and local tax resources among schools. In 1986-87 tax resources ranged from less than \$2,500 per student in 30 districts to more than \$10,000 in eight districts.

Air Show Set

Amarillo's annual Air Show 87 has been scheduled August 29-30 at Amarillo International Airport.

The event is the climax of the city's giant birthday celebration and begins with the opening of gates at the airport at 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 29.

Flying begins at 1:30 p.m. by the pilots who will demonstrate various aircraft and another 70 airplanes are expected to be on static display, including modern aircraft and World War II vintage war birds owned and operated by the confederate Air Force.

The flying show will feature the Navy Leap Frogs, the F-18 Horney, the Air Force F-15 Eagle and the Avenger.

Then the Confederate Air Force will take to the sky with its World War II Air Power demonstration. The air show flying demonstration will last about 2 1/2 hours.

This will be the greatest air show ever produced for See Air Show, Page 4

Methodist Women

United Methodist Women met Tuesday morning Aug. 18 at 9 a.m. with Julia McGee, vice president presiding for the business session.

Mrs. L.T. Banks and Mrs. O.P. Blackwell who was unable to be present, were hostesses of the fellowship time.

Mrs. George Myers led the lesson, "Women as Money Managers". Mrs. Banks, Mrs. Roy Ritter and Mrs. McGee took part.

Others present were Mrs. E.C. Goodlett, Mrs. E.W. Lamberson, Mrs. Glynn D. Harrell, Mrs. N.B. Helton and Mrs. John Eschle.

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Thornton—Britten Engagement

Jerry and Nadine Thornton of Groom are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Connie Ruth to Thomas Anthony Britten, son of Norman and Jean Britten of Traverse City, Michigan.

The bride to be is a student at Abilene Christian University studying speech pathology.

Britten is a 1986 graduate of Texas Tech and is a teacher at Abilene High School.

The couple plans a December 19 wedding.

Farmers Market

For the first year, consumers in the Pampa and Dalhart areas can buy fresh farm produce directly from the people who produce it, with the opening of two new farmers markets in the Panhandle on Saturday, announced Texas Department of Agriculture Amarillo District Supervisor Angela Lamb.

The Top O' Texas Farmers Market located at M.K. Brown auditorium on Hobart Street in Pampa will operate from 8 a.m. until sell-out on See Farmers Market, Page 3

Steve Thomas Hired As New Band Director

School Board members made final approval of the "Writing to Read" program for grades K, 1 and 2, Chapter I and LD classes next year insuring an innovative approach to improving reading skills at Groom Schools. Mrs. Pam Hutsell, kindergarten teacher; Susan Burgin, first grade and Ken Sweatt, principal attended training courses in the new program this summer.

The board approved purchase of nine computers, three voice activated, with cost of hardware and software to run the program costing approximately \$16,393. The task for board members now will be to select an aide for the computer room from the applications expected to be filed for the position. Recommendations have been made on who is best qualified to fill the new opening from applications on file at the school, but board members will take another look at applicants before filling the position.

A new band director was also hired. Steve Thomas will fill the vacancy created by Hosea Munoz, who resigned earlier this month accepting a position down state. Thomas is a master degreed musician receiving his initial training at North Texas State University. He certified in all age levels of music instruction and has held positions in Carrollton, Kingston, Okla., and Brown-

wood. He is an accomplished musician in jazz, marching, orchestra, concert and choir receiving numerous awards.

The board also approved the \$1,057,993 budget setting the tax rate at 90c per \$100 valuation and .03 for bonded indebtedness. This is a reduction to taxpayers of 15c per \$100 valuation.

In other action transfer students from Grandview-Hopkins district were approved including Karen and Susan Babcock, Brian Baker and Melissa Morris.

Meal prices in the cafeteria will remain the same: Reduced breakfast, 30c; reduced lunch, 40c; student breakfast, 50c; adult, 75c; regular lunches, k-6, \$1.00; 7-12, \$1.25; and adults \$1.50. Plains Creamery was low bidder for supplying milk to the school.

Bill Baker was again approved to perform the annual audit of school finances.

Italian Masterpieces On Display At Museum

The longest trip you need to take is just over to the Carson County Square House Museum. After you arrive you can travel through five centuries of Italy's Old Master painters without leaving the area. You can visit art painted in Venice, Rome, Naples and Milan.

The Museum has opened a significant exhibition of Italian Old Masters from the Sarah Campbell Blaffer Foundation of Houston. Collected over a period of five years, "Five Centuries of Italian Painting" represents a broad survey of paintings produced in Italy from the late Thirteenth through the eighteenth century. Most major schools of Italian paintings and some highly important works of art have emerged during the formation of the collection.

The exhibit was opened on August 10 and will continue through the annual Museum Day which this year will be held on September 19. The exhibit will come down September 27. Museum hours are from 9 through 5:30 Monday through Saturday and from 1 to 5:30 Sunday. The exhibit can be viewed daily in the art gallery of the new Senator Grady and Andrine Hazlewood Educational Center. There is no admission charge to see the paintings or to visit the museum.

On September 19 at 10:00 Ms. Kay Brizzolara Pronger, former educational director of the Square House, graduate of Yale and Cambridge, will present a gallery lecture about the collection. Ms. Pronger a noted art historian invites the public to her lecture.

After you view the Italian exhibit you will want to see the entire museum complex. Please visit our annex gallery where there is also a showing by Viola Coffee, a native Carson County resident.

Air Show

Amarillo, sponsors say. The celebration is in honor of Amarillo's 100th birthday.

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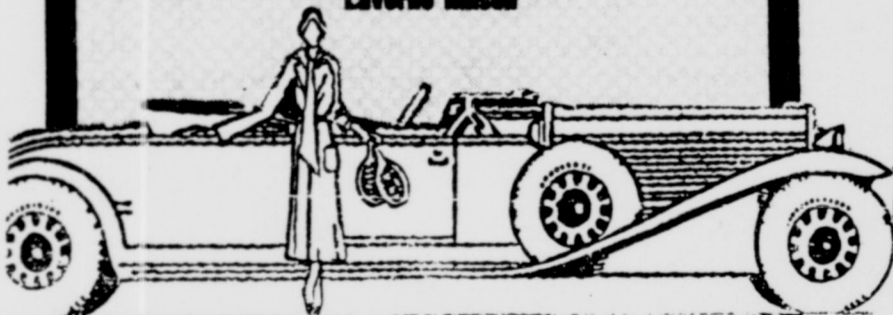
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Lovett Library will be closed today and tomorrow, Aug. 20 and 21, and will be open only from 1-5 p.m. on Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 24 and 25.

The McLean Baptist Church will have a picnic on Wed., Aug. 26, at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Virginia Dalton.

The McLean Athletic Boosters Club will meet Monday, Aug. 24 at 8:30 p.m. at the Lions Club building.

The Alanreed-McLean Area Museum is now open on Sunday afternoons from 2-5 p.m.

The new number to dial if you need emergency medical assistance is 1-800-692-1331. It is toll-free. Write it down and keep it by your phone in case you ever need it.

Practice sessions for the Tiger Pride Band are being held Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday night from 7-9 p.m. in the band hall.

Football two-a-days are continuing Monday-Friday from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Senior Citizens Calendar

Aug. 20-12 noon-Birthday Luncheon; 7 p.m.-Game Nite;
Aug. 22-7 p.m.-Game Nite.

Sales Tax Revenues Continue Decline in McLean and County

Recently, the State Comptroller's office sent checks totaling \$99.7 million in local sales tax payments to the 1,034 cities that levy the one percent city tax.

Comptroller Bob Bullock said that monthly allocations were down 7.4% compared to the 1986 August allocations.

McLean's revenues continue to decline. The net payment for this period was \$2,269.47 compared to \$2,309.52 for a similar period last year. The 1987 payments to date came to \$12,435.53 compared to \$13,604.46 for last year. This represents a loss of 8.59%.

The revenues for Gray County as a whole declined by 18.47%. Lefors suffered the biggest decline, 38.55% while Pampa's revenues went down 18.49%.

August checks represent taxes collected on sales in June and during the second quarter and reported to the Comptroller by July 20.

City Council Passes Tough Ordinance On Animal Control

The McLean City Council met in its regular monthly session last Tuesday night at City Hall. Members present were Mayor George Green and Aldermen Jerry Cook, Dale Glass, Martha Jo Bailey, Dr. H.F. Fabian and Mike Harkins.

As expected, the council passed an emergency animal control ordinance, which becomes effectively immediately upon publication. It provides for the vaccination and licensing of dogs and cats within the city limits; prohibits owners from allowing animals to run at large; provides for impounding animals caught running at large; sets up penalties for owners of animals violating the ordinance; and sets a limit on the number of animals allowed in each household.

The council also approved the hiring of an Animal Control Officer and ordered the building of pens to hold impounded animals.

According to the provisions of the new ordinance:

-Every dog and cat four months of age or older will have to be vaccinated and then re-vaccinated annually thereafter. Any animal brought into the city limits must be vaccinated within 15 days and owners must obtain a certificate of vaccination and rabies tests for each animal.

-Every owner of dogs and cats four months of age or older must procure a license for the animal. Fees will be

paid annually and will cover a period from October 1 to September 30. A license will not be given to an owner until a valid vaccination certificate not more than 90 days old has been presented and a licensing fee of \$3.00 has been paid;

City tags are now available. Current residents have until Oct. 1, 1987 to come in to City Hall to get them.

-All animals age 4 months and older must wear a collar or harness which displays a valid vaccination tag and a city license tag.

-No household can own more than four animals within the city limits.

Lucinda Mann, an Animal Control Officer out of Panhandle, has been hired to work for the city beginning Oct. 1, 1987. According to the provisions of the new ordinance: "It shall be the duty of the Animal Control Officer or any other designated individual to take up any animal found running at large, and confine such animal in the animal shelter for a period of seventy-two (72) hours, during which time the owner, upon satisfactory proof to the Animal Control Officer of ownership, may redeem his animal upon payment of a pound fee of \$25.00 for each animal, and an additional \$3.00 for each day such animal is kept in the animal shelter. The owner of the animal shall also pay an additional \$10 for each subsequent impoundment of the same animal."

In addition, any animals not having valid rabies shots or a valid city license will not

be released until a \$10 fee has been paid.

Citations will also be issued on any animal that is "running at large" or is considered to be a "public nuisance."

According to the ordinance, running at large "shall pertain to an animal off the premises of the owner and not under the physical, visible or audible control of the owner or his authorized representative. An animal intruding upon public property or the property of any person other than the owner, shall be termed "Running at Large." An animal within an automobile or other vehicle of its owner shall not be deemed "Running at Large."

A public nuisance is defined as "any animal which molests passersby or passing vehicles; attacks other animals; trespasses on school grounds or other public property; is repeatedly at large; damages private or public property; barks, whines, or howls in an excessive, continuous or untimely fashion."

To house any animals picked up, the council ordered the building of a 16' x 5' shelter on the disposal land. The shelter will be built according to Health Department specifications.

The ordinance was passed in response to a number of complaints from citizens about the number of ani-

mals running wild inside the city limits. An Animal Control Officer was in McLean recently and picked up a large number of dogs from a residence in town. She was due to return this week to pick up all but two of the remaining dogs at the house.

In other business, the council:

-Read, approved and ordered published Ordinance No. 228, setting fees for use of the landfill.

-Opened bids for a loader-backhoe. The bid from Case Power and Equipment was accepted.

-Heard a request that a sign showing "Children Playing" be installed at the intersection of Pine and Second Streets. This item has been placed on the next agenda.

-Heard a presentation from a local contractor who offered to contract with the city to use his backhoe and dump truck. The council expressed their appreciation to him, but decided it would be better for the city to own a backhoe.

-Approved a motion to have another street light installed in the alley of Block 37 behind McLean Pharmacy and McLean Hardware.

1987 McLean Tiger Football Schedule

High School			
Date	Opponent	Place	Time
September 4	Shamrock	Here	8:00 P.M.
September 11	Clarendon	There	8:00 P.M.
September 18	Valley	There	8:00 P.M.
September 25	Motley County	Here	8:00 P.M.
October 2	Groom	There	8:00 P.M.
October 9	Wheeler	Here	7:30 P.M.
October 16	Booker	There	7:30 P.M.
October 23	Follett	Here	7:30 P.M.
October 30	OPEN		
November 6	Sunray	There	7:30 P.M.

Library Representatives Appear Before County Commissioners to Request Budget Spot

Representatives from McLean's Lovett Library attended the Gray County Commissioners meeting last Friday to request that they be included in the 1988-89 budget.

As you may remember, both the McLean and Pampa libraries had been left out of the 1987 budget when the county lost federal revenue-sharing money. An appeal by library representatives in January resulted in a decision by the commissioners to support the libraries by using savings from their precinct budgets. They allocated half the money earlier this year and are expected to allocate the other half sometime in the fall.

Friday's request was designed to prevent a similar situation from happening in 1988. Martha Parker, McLean Librarian, requested that Lovett Library be included as a budgeted item when the commissioners prepare their budget for 1988-89.

Mrs. Parker requested a total of \$3,000 which will be used primarily for books, materials and supplies. Other operating costs for the library are supplied by the City of McLean.

Although the county commissioners did not take any formal action, they agreed to consider the library's request.

Assisting Mrs. Parker with her presentation were Margaret Coleman, Library Board Chairman; Ruth Magee, member of the Friends of the Library; Bonnie Fabian, Library Board member and liaison between the library and the Texas Panhandle Library System; and L.L. Rogers, Library Board member.

McLean Area Gets Another Good Rain

Mother Nature smiled on us again this week as she brought cooler, wetter weather to the area. Last Tuesday night, although McLean itself received no precipitation, surrounding areas reported about .50 of rain.

On Wednesday, those of us who live here in town were luckier as a series of showers dumped about 1.50 inches of rain.

We hope you enjoyed it while it lasted. The forecast for this week was calling for dry conditions and temperatures will up into the 90's.

McLean Briefs

Rex Simpson is reported to be improving in an Albuquerque Hospital after being in an auto accident near Tatum, New Mexico in July. The pick-up he was traveling in rolled several times and caught fire. Mr. Simpson was thrown from it and was unconscious for several days.

Mr. Simpson, who is a frequent visitor in McLean, is the son of Kenneth and Bonnie Simpson of Hobbs, New Mex.

Annie Reeves has just returned from a two-week trip. While away, she visited Joe and Martha Reeves in Abernathy; attended a wedding for her nephew, Johnny Johnson, in Brownfield; and went to the 4th birthday celebration for her great-granddaughter, Amy Meason, in Lubbock.

Visitors in the home of Virginia Dalton last week were her daughter, Amanda Leathers, and family of Pampa.

Attending the 25th wedding anniversary celebration of Tommy and Mary Dutton in Granbury, Tx. last week were Minnie Ervin, mother of Mrs. Dutton; Mr. and Mrs. Grant (Butch) Pierce and their daughter-in-law and a friend from Las Cruces, New Mex.

Linda Rountree, of Austin, has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rush Turner.

Granville Simmons is in Mercy Hospital in Oklahoma City undergoing treatments.

Visiting Glen and Norma Curry last week were their children and families: Randy G. and Donna Curry, Heather Nicole and Hannah Lynn from Stroud, Okla.; and Cathy Adler, Mickey and Megan from Weatherford, Okla.

Will Elton Johnston visited his parents, Elton and Maggie Johnston, last week.

Students Prepare For College

If the population of McLean seems to go down during the next week or so, it's because many of our young people are going away to college.

West Texas State University will be especially well-represented by McLean. Cindy Hembree and Angie Glass are already on campus because they are practicing for the band. Angie Purcell leaves tomorrow and Dan Fish, Clint Herndon, Chet Bohlar and Bob Patman will leave next week.

Other students leaving during the next week will be Trevor McDonald who will leave on Wednesday for Midwestern University in Wichita Falls and Shawn Crockett who will leave next Friday for Southwest Texas University in San Marcos.

Bill Layman Attends Ag Conference

Vocational Agriculture Teachers, some 1500 strong, gathered in Houston last week for the Annual In-Service Education Workshop and Meeting sponsored by the Vocational Agriculture Education Department of the Texas Education Agency in Austin under the direction of Jay Eudy, State Director of Vocational Agriculture Education.

Attending the workshop from McLean was Bill Layman, McLean ag teacher.

The First General Session was on Wednesday, Aug. 12, in the Astro Village Hotel Ballroom. Appearing on the program were Stanley White, Former Young Farmer Assoc. President in Stephenville; Ted Amick, Program Specialist with the

National FFA Center; and Officers of the State Association and other Texas Education Agency officials.

Also on Wednesday, the Association sponsored the Annual Awards program to present tenure pins to the membership and other awards to legislators, school administrators, individual teacher publicity awards and awards to individuals who have contributed to the progress of Agriculture Education and the activities of Future Farmers of America.

On Wednesday and Thursday, the teachers took part in Area meetings and fourteen in-service education workshops. Some of the topics for discussion were: Agriculture Production Courses; Agricultural Business and Management Courses; Comprehensive, Renewable Natural Resources and Agricultural Products and Processing Courses; Ag

Mechanics; Innovative Methods of Teaching Ag Science and Technology; Guidelines for Using Federal Vocational Funds; Horticulture Courses; Using Computer Software in Teaching; and Techniques for Evaluating Leadership Performance.

Lefors Resident Gets Promotion

Aubrey T. Merrell, son of Faye Bohanan of Lefors, has been promoted in the U.S. Air Force to the rank of senior airman.

Merrell is a crew chief at Bergstrom Air Force Base, Texas with the 67th Aircraft Generation Squadron.

He is a 1984 graduate of Lefors High School.

has been held in the eastern half of the Panhandle. Every qualified person in McLean and the surrounding communities is invited to participate.

Those interested in signing up should call Bill Thomas at 779-2469.

Golf Scramble

The Leo Daniels team was the winner of the golf scramble held Aug. 13 at the McLean Country Club. Other members of the team were Junior and Doris Windom, Thacker Haynes and Kyle Woods. They shot five under par. Four other teams competed in the scramble.

The next one will be held tonight at 6:00 p.m. at the Country Club.

Mrs. Pettit Buried Sunday

Graveside services for Yoshido Pettit, 62, wife of a former Alanreed resident, were held Sunday afternoon in Alanreed Cemetery. Reverend Marc Wilson, pastor of the McLean First United Methodist Church, officiated.

Mrs. Pettit died last Friday at Clovis High Plains Hospital.

She was born on April 7, 1925 in Paris, France. She moved to Clovis from Japan in 1963. She married Harry Pettit on Nov. 7, 1955 in Tokyo. She was a member of the Methodist Church.

She is survived by her husband, Harry, of Clovis, New Mex.

EMT Special Skills Class To Be Held

The McLean Ambulance Service, in cooperation with Panhandle Emergency Medical Services, will be hosting an EMT Special Skills class starting September 21. The class will be held on Monday and Thursday evenings from 6-10 p.m. at the Ambulance Association Training Room and will continue through Jan. 25, 1988. Coordinator for the program will be Leland Lewis, Director of Panhandle Emergency Medical Services. Assistant Coordinator will be Bill Thomas, President of the McLean Ambulance Association.

According to Mr. Thomas, this class is limited to those individuals who are already trained and certified EMTs. To qualify for the course an individual, in addition to being an EMT, must score above 80 on a pre exam, demonstrate and pass all five state skills, have an oral interview and must have a letter of recommendation from an Emergency Medical Services Director and must have a letter from a physician willing to sponsor them and give them medical control. In addition, Thomas said, it is desirable, but not mandatory, that a person have one year of experience as an EMT.

He also said this is the first time that such a class

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Petty Family Has Reunion

The descendants of the late Mr. and Mrs. Luther Petty of McLean gathered in Abilene on August 7-9 for their bi-annual family reunion. Host and hostess of the reunion were Mr. and Mrs. Herman L. (June) Petty.

Some of the activities were held at Abilene State Park near Buffalo Gap, Tex. while other activities were in the Petty home. Good meals were enjoyed as well as games of 42, croquet, horseshoes, swimming, etc.

On Sunday morning, the group attended en masse the 11:00 a.m. services in the home church of Herman and June Petty—Elmcrest Baptist Church. A catered meal followed in Elmcrest's Fellowship Hall following church.

The "trophy" for traveling the farthest was given to Mrs. B.J. (Frances Ann Petty) Hutchinson and son, Benjamin, of Columbiana, Ohio. The eldest "family" member present was Mr. Francis Luther Petty of Midland. The youngest "family" member present was Daniel Wayne Arnold of Duncanville, three weeks of age, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Eddie Arnold, Jr. Mrs. Arnold is the former Joan Petty, daughter of the host and hostess.

The next reunion (1989) will be held in Moberly, Missouri, with Mrs. B.J. Hutchinson being the hostess, assisted by other members of her family, including her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold C. Petty.

Those present at the 1987 reunion besides the host and hostess were: Mrs. Francis L. Petty, Midland; Mr. and Mrs. Harold C. Petty, Moberly, Missouri; Mrs. Zora Petty Billingsley, Amarillo; Mrs. Nora Petty Loveland, Dallas; David L. Petty and sons, Samuel and Paul, Comanche; Mr. and Mrs. C. Eddie Arnold, Jr., Rebecca, Timothy, Andrew, and Daniel of Duncanville; Mrs. B.J. Hutchinson and son, Ben-

jamin, Columbiana, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. Gary L. Petty of Coppell; Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Luther Kennedy and sons, Rodney Luther and Ronald Vernon, Temple; Miss Dorothy Jackson, Dallas; and from Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas W. Petty, Luke, Cody and Will and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Miller, Jessica and Garrett.

Down Memory Lane

20 Years Ago

Jerry L. Rector of McLean, graduated from the Texas Highway Patrol school in Austin. He has attended school for the past eighteen weeks and has been assigned to the Amarillo District.

Jerry, his wife, Marilyn, and son, Lynn, have moved to Amarillo where he has assumed the duties as patrolman.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Craven of La Grand, Ca. stayed in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Guill during the funeral of A.H. Patterson.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Clifton are Mr. and Mrs. W.O. Smith and their granddaughters, Rhonda and Deidre Walker, all of Ada, Okla.

Three McLean girls attended Twirling and Band camp for two weeks in July.

Those attending were Gail Fry, head twirler, a senior; Leslie Back, freshman; and Jenny Haynes, junior high.

Gail Fry was awarded a trophy for being the outstanding twirler for the 1967 camp.

W.P. Flowers and Joan visited their daughter and sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. R.E. Dawson of Norman, Okla.

Barbara McCurley recently returned from a trip where she visited with Doyle McCurley in Corpus Christi.

The McLean High School cheerleaders have just re-

turned from attending a week of training at SMU in Dallas.

The girls representing McLean were among 1200 cheerleaders attending the first school. They were Donna Glass, senior; Marsha Hunt, junior; Jackie Enright, sophomore; and Diana Tyrone, freshman; and the Tiger mascot, Susie Seaney, who is a senior.

Jim Stevens, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Stevens, will return to Texas Tech in Lubbock on September 13.

Keith Morris, son of Mr. and Mrs. Curby Morris, will leave Sept. 13 to attend the fall semester at Texas Tech in Lubbock.

Margie Pakan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Miro Pakan, will leave soon for Canyon to attend West Texas State University to begin her second year of college.

Harold Calcote, son of Mr. and Mrs. Odis Calcote, will attend WTSU at Canyon this year.

Bryan Parker, son of Mr. and Mrs. R.C. Parker, will attend his first year of college at West Texas State University in Canyon.

The Sew Sew Club, met August 14, in the home of Mrs. Bennie Wayne Smith.

A luncheon was served at noon.

Birthday honorees for the day were Mrs. Eva Peabody and Vela Corcoran. Gifts from the club were presented to the honorees and two birthday cakes were also enjoyed.

The secretary, Mary Groves, opened the business meeting in the absence of the president.

A trip to Pampa was planned for October 30, dues collected and other business was taken care of.

The meeting adjourned,

and the afternoon was spent in sewing, hard work and visiting.

Those present were Mmes Vela Corcoran, Laura Goodman, Minnie Groves, Sylvia Wood and daughter Tracy of Pampa and the hostess Bennie Wayne Smith.

Terry Bidwell and Gary Hester spent the weekend in Plainview.

Miss Linda Bruce has moved to Buena Vista, Ca. to make her home with her grandmother.

30 Years Ago

First Vice President Larry Fuller was in charge of the regular Tuesday meeting of the McLean Lions Club in the absence of Boss Lion Amos Page, who was vacationing in Colorado.

Mr. and Mrs. H.E. Gipson of Clovis, New Mex. are the parents of a boy born Aug. 1. The youngster has been named Howard Keith. Mrs. Gipson is the former Davie Burch of McLean and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Burch are the grandparents of the new arrival.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Willis of Borger are the parents of a boy born at North Plains Hospital in Borger. The grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Willis and Mr. and Mrs. A.L. Day of McLean.

McLean Boy Scout troop 25 is holding an inner-troop contest until Oct. 16 to arouse interest in the troop which has been lax for the past few months.

40 Years Ago

Members of the Assembly of God Church in McLean Sunday voted in Rev. Nath Franks, resident of McLean, as pastor of the church. See "Memory Lane", p.8

Alanreed Briefs

Out-of-town people attending the funeral of Yoshido Pettit in Alanreed on Sunday were: Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Elms of Clovis; Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Elms of Olton; Mr. and Mrs. Moody Stapp and Opal Stapp of Amarillo; Fay Fluty of Amarillo; Mr. and Mrs. Herman Tipton of Clarendon; Elizabeth Kunkel and daughter Sue Upton of Amarillo; and Mertie Schaffer of Groom.

Visiting Lena Carter on Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Carter of Pampa.

Mr. and Mrs. Hartley Davis were visited on Sunday by Mr. and Mrs. Willis May of Panhandle. The Davises returned home with

them as Mary had a doctor's appointment in Amarillo on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. L.T. Goldston were in Pampa for medical attention last week.

The R.D. McLains visited in Oklahoma during the weekend with Ruth's mother and other relatives.

Visiting Jewel Warner on Friday was her nephew, David Allen, and a friend, Jack Hatcher, of Denver.

Sam Standish, of Perryton, visited his mother Ann last week.

Betty and Ramona Finley were in Pampa on Tuesday.

The Robert Bruces took their grandchildren, Shawn, Paul and Kay, to Six Flags and other places last week.

Ruth and Brenda McLain made a trip to Amarillo on Tuesday to return Dean's children so they could begin their trip home to Amarillo.

Public Notices

ORDINANCE NO. 228

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 3 OF ORDINANCE NO. 179 AND SECTION 2 OF ORDINANCE NO. 223 SETTING THE FEE TO BE PAID FOR THE USE BY THE PUBLIC OF 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 28 day of July 1987.

PASSED AND ORDERED published on second and final reading this 11 day of August 1987.

George M. Green
Mayor

ORDINANCE NO. 229

AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING THE VACCINATION AND LICENSING OF DOGS AND CATS WITHIN THE CITY OF MCLEAN, TEXAS; PROHIBITING ALL ANIMALS FROM RUNNING AT LARGE; PROVIDING FOR THE IMPOUNDING OF ANIMALS RUNNING AT LARGE; PROVIDING A PENALTY FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF AND PROVIDING SPECIAL CONFINEMENT PROVISIONS.

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Down Memory Lane

One of McLean's "old prairie dogs" as he styles himself, is going to leave town. He is R.S. Jordan, and he and his wife are leaving soon to make their home in Lubbock—46 years has been enough.

The White Auto Store, owned since its opening in January of 1946 by O.M. Curry, was sold this week to C.W. and W.E. Bogan.

Dr. James H. Kritzler of McLean was one of 24 examining doctors for the third annual child health clinic in Amarillo Friday and Saturday.

As a special courtesy to Mrs. Troy Cortin, who before her recent marriage was Miss Alma Geraldine Evans, a miscellaneous shower was given Friday afternoon in the parlor of the First Presbyterian Church.

Complementing Miss Julia Earthman of Alanreed, bride-elect of Lester Carter of Alanreed, Mrs. W.H. Blakney of Alanreed and Mrs. Bruce Parker of Pampa entertained Aug. 15 with a

miscellaneous shower in the home of Mrs. S.T. Greenwood at Alanreed.

50 Years Ago

Mrs. Madge Smith has opened Madge's Beauty Shop at the rear of the McLean Barber Shop and announces some special prices in business.

C.O. Greene, Witt Springer and Vester Smith are in Chicago attending the International Convention of Lions Clubs as representatives of the McLean Club.

Rev. F.B. Featherston, 87-year-old pioneer Baptist minister, was honored last Sunday afternoon with an open house party.

Dr. C.B. Batson was presented with a past president's lapel button at the regular luncheon of the Lions Club held at the Meador Cafe Tuesday.

Miss Ora Sharp has the McLean agency for Parker's Blossom Shop at Pampa and will be glad to fill orders for flowers for all occasions.

Mrs. C.C. Mead of Miami who, before her marriage,

was Miss Madge Edna Lander, was honored with a bridal shower Thursday of last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J.M. Noel, with Mrs. S.W. Rice as hostess, assisted by Mesdames Noel, J.J. Dickenson, John Cooper, Paul Kennedy and M.G. Armstrong.

60 Years Ago

Honoring her niece, Miss Edna Jones of Merkel, and Miss Elizabeth Lander of Alma, Okla., Mrs. Arthur Erwin was hostess to a number of friends at her home on Monday evening, Aug. 15.

G.H. Hope of Frederick, Okla. and J.E. Lynch of McLean are now owners of the Farmers Gin.

Congressman Marvin Jones will speak at the First Presbyterian Church Sunday morning.

Mrs. T.W. Henry assisted by Mesdames B.E. Glass, Bailey and Gardner, entertained a number of little folks Thursday afternoon at the City Park in honor of Burl, Jr. and Henry Glass of Alanreed.

John Bixler, tool dresser, and M. Farline, driller, were hurt when a mass of rocks and debris blew out of the St. Clairs Crews well in section 9 last Thursday.

70 Years Ago

From July 21 to Aug. 10 a period of 19 days, there were shipped from the local yards 21 carloads of cattle to the markets.

It is announced that arrangements are being made for the erection by the Red Star Mill and Elevator Co. of an up to date elevator on the railroad property just across Railroad Street from the Cicero Lumber Co.

Housing Agency Giving Tax Credits

The Texas Housing Agency began accepting applications on August 17 for a new cycle of federal tax credits available under an homeownership assistance program for low- to moderate-income Texans.

"The purpose of the program is to give individuals or families who are now living in rental housing a chance to move into a house of their own," said Dan A. McNeil, Executive Administrator of the Texas Housing Agency.

The Mortgage Credit Certificate Program increases a family's disposable income by reducing its federal tax obligations. This tax savings, which can amount to as much as \$2,000 a year, provides a family with more available income to qualify for a home mortgage and to apply towards the monthly mortgage payments.

For example, a family who plans to purchase a home for \$56,000, and receive a loan of \$53,000, at 9.5 percent interest for 30 years will pay the lending institution \$5,020 in interest during the first year. Under the MCC Program, the family will be eligible for a tax credit of \$1,004 in the first year of that loan.

"In each succeeding year for the life of the mortgage loan, the family can claim an income tax credit for 20 percent of the mortgage interest paid to the lender, up to \$2,000, McNeil said.

To qualify for the program, a family must be a first-time homebuyer or not have owned a home during the past three years, and their current household income may not exceed \$35,075 (a slightly higher limit is permitted in certain metropolitan areas). In general, a homebuyer may pay up to \$74,790 for a previously-owned home and \$90,360 for a new home. During the first 30 days of the program, applications will be processed only on homes priced \$80,000 or less.

The Texas Housing Agency will issue the certificates to eligible families through a network of more than 200 participating lending institutions throughout the state. Approval to participate in the program must be obtained prior to purchasing a home. Families may obtain a list of lenders and a program brochure by contacting the Agency at (512)472-7500.

The Texas Housing Agency was created by the Texas Legislature in 1979 to provide affordable housing opportunities for low- and moderate-income families. The Agency fulfills its pur-

pose, in part, by issuing tax-exempt bonds to finance single family and multi-family housing throughout Texas and by issuing tax credits to qualified homebuyers and rental housing sponsors. The Agency receives no state or federal appropriations; its programs are self supporting.

Keep Child's Immunizations Current

More than any other preventive health care practice, immunizations begun in childhood and kept current, save money, misery and lives. In the U.S., an estimated \$1 billion is saved annually in would-be medical costs because of immunizations against polio, tetanus, measles, rubella (German measles), mumps and diphtheria.

In Texas proof of vaccinations for these six communicable diseases is required by law for all children registering for day care or public school. In addition, pertussis vaccine is required for children less than five years old in day care and public school. The Texas Department of Health (TDH) and the American Academy of Pediatrics recommend pertussis (Whooping cough) vaccine for most children through six years old as well.

Wes Hodgson of the TDH Immunization Division said, "Today's parents of young children are sometimes too young themselves to remember a time when immunizations were neither available nor required. But a few decades ago, outbreaks of epidemics of killer diseases such as polio and diphtheria not only threatened every child but were occurring more frequently every year."

Hodgson said because of vaccinations, polio and diphtheria are now rare in Texas. In the past 10 years, only six cases of diphtheria and four cases of polio, one of them fatal, were reported in the state.

"What some young parents may not realize is that although outbreaks of vaccine preventable diseases are now less frequent in Texas, the diseases can still spread among us. Children are not born immune to these diseases," Hodgson

said. "It is important that their parents follow their physicians' advice in scheduling all the necessary vaccinations and boosters, and in keeping accurate records for each child," he added.

Some preventable diseases persist, mainly because parents often do not take them seriously enough to ensure their children's immunizations are up-to-date. In 1986, TDH recorded sporadic outbreaks of measles (398 cases), mumps (239), pertussis (112), rubella (78), and tetanus (12) in the state. Victims included unimmunized children as well as adults who had allowed their own immunizations to lapse.

Hodgson said, "Parents who are not sure that their children's vaccinations are current should begin now to update their records, to be ready for the coming school year. Their family physicians should be able to advise them on any booster shots that are due. Parents who have no family physician, or who cannot afford a private doctor should check with local public health clinics."

Stock Grading Class Being Held at A&M

Producers need a working knowledge of beef cattle grades to help them in marketing their stock. That's why the Texas Agricultural Extension Service will be conducting a special cattle grading school at Texas A&M University Sept. 10-11.

The school will include classroom, field and meat locker instruction, practical grading exercises for participants, and attendance at a sorted and co-mingled stocker-feeder sale at Brenham.

Individuals interested in attending the school must preregister by Sept. 1. Registration information is available at any county Extension office. Participation is limited to the first 150 individuals who preregister.

The school will begin at 9 a.m. Sept. 10 at the Louis Pearce Pavilion on Texas A&M's west campus.

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**Finley Services Today
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Terry Ray Finley, 23, died Monday at San Antonio. Services will be held today in the Claude Church of Christ with burial in Claude Cemetery.

Finley was born at Groom and was a Claude High School graduate. He received his bachelor's degree from Texas Tech in 1986 with cum laude honors. He received a master's degree in Business Finance from Baylor University on Aug. 15. He was member of the Claude Church of Christ, Golden Key National Honor Society and several honor fraternities.

Survivors include his parents, Jimmy and Becky Finley of Claude and his grandmother, Allie Finley also of Claude.

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LT 215/85R16 BSL	D	\$104.95	
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Finley Services Today With Burial In Claude

Terry Ray Finley, 23, died Monday at San Antonio. Services will be held today in the Claude Church of Christ with burial in Claude Cemetery.

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Bill Britten can still knock 'em out of the park, even if it does happen to be a foul ball. He was one of the players in the "Old Timers" softball game held on the Sunday after Groom Day.

Budget

cost would probably exceed that." The only budget item to be cut will be indigent care by \$3,454.

All other budget items included increases with \$64,868 more allocated to Public Service, Agriculture, Health and Welfare; \$58,320 to the Road and Bridge Fund with no specific breakdown by precinct. The other department to receive a significant increase will be \$31,133 to judicial.

Modest increases included \$8,688 for administration which includes no salary increases; \$7,121 building maintenance; \$4,538 tax and recording offices; \$5,127 law enforcement and \$631 criminal prosecution.

The meeting to adopt the budget will be at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioners Court room on August 24.

Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Barrett Sampson

request the honor of your presence

at the marriage of their daughter

Rachelle

to

Mr. Gene Pool

on Saturday, the twenty-second of August

Nineteen hundred and eighty-seven

at seven forty-seven in the evening

at their home

1723 Webster

Liberty, Texas

Reception immediately following

PUBLIC NOTICE Plumbing, Electrical Code

Ordinance No. 153

An ordinance amending Chapter 4, Building, Plumbing and Electrical code. Concerning use of certain plastics in sewer and gas connections. Also requiring separate trenches for each underground utility line. Requiring certain pipe to be used in connection with gas utility.

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Groom, Texas.

That chapter 4, building, plumbing electrical is hereby amended to require Schedule 40 plastic pipe or better to be used from sewer main to property line. All sewer lines must be in a separate trench from any other water, gas or electrical underground line. Property owner or contractor will be required to have inspection on sewer line by Utility Director of the City of Groom, Texas before permit will be granted to connect to City sewer main. A fee of Five Dollars (\$5.00) will be required for all inspections.

It shall be unlawful to lay more than one utility line in a trench. Each underground gas, sewer, water, electrical line must be in a separate trench.

Section 4-29 shall be amended to read pipe through brick, stone wall to be conduit. Where pipe runs through a stone or brick wall, opening around the pipe must be conduit for gas connection.

New building, houses or commercial. One inch plastic pipe with three feet of steel pipe come up on the outside of building and over the foundation. One inch steel pipe must run to the first outlet. Three foot of the meter must be steel pipe up out of the ground twenty four inches with a one inch ell and one-one inch street ell for one inch meter. No plastic pipe under house, manufactured homes, or building for gas.

Section 4-33. Inspection fees.

Property owners or contractors shall pay a fee of Five Dollars (\$5.00) for each inspection that is made until inspection is approved. Fee

to be paid to inspector when inspection is made.

Section 4:34. Penalty. Any person or persons violating any provisions of this Article shall be punished by a fine not to exceed \$200.00 (\$200.00).

Passed and Approved on the first and final reading this the 4 day of August, 1987.

(Seal)
Pat Ashford,
City Secretary

/s/ Alfred Homer
Mayor

Aug. 4, 1987



School will begin September 1. Elementary teachers helping to parents to get ready for the school year have submitted the following supply lists:

Kindergarten

Crayons, box of 8 only
Markers, box of 8 Crayola Markers
Pencils, 10 #2
Tissues, one box
Watercolors
Resting Matt
Glue, 4 oz. bottle
Scissors, (Safety Cut Brand is excellent)
Folder
satchel or backpack

Please try to purchase the specific items requested above and please label all supplies. Also, your child will need a social security number when he registers. If he or she already has one, please enter it on the registration card.

The social security numbers are used to enter children's names into computers for Texas Education Agency required reports.

First Grade

Spiral
10 #2 pencils
Box of 8 only crayons
Plastic safety scissors
Eraser
1 set Prang or Crayola Watercolors
Kleenex
Elmers Glue, 4 oz.
Box of 8 Crayola Markers
School Box
Folder with pockets
Please label all supplies.

Second Grade

Spiral
10 #2 pencils
Crayons, 24 count
Watercolors
Crayola Markers
Kleenex
Eraser
Scissors
Elmer's glue
School Box to store supplies

Third Grade

3 #2 Pencils
4-folders with pockets
Notebook paper (small package, wide ruled)
Elmer's glue
2 Red grading pencils or pens
Crayons
Ruler (wooden metric and standard)
Good cutting scissors
Map pencils
School Box
200 ct. Kleenex
2 Spirals, wide ruled 50-70 sheets
Small assignment pad
Gym clothes and tennis shoes
No loose leaf notebook

Motorcycle Safety Laws To Be Enforced Within City Of Groom

Reports of several near collisions between motor vehicles and motor cyclists in the City have prompted local law enforcement officers to become concerned over the number of motorcycles and off road vehicles being operated in the city.

Officer Gary Davis said that in 1986, 403 persons in the state lost their lives riding motorcycles and the popular three and four wheelers. Of those fatalities, 75 percent were not wearing helmets, and of the persons under 18 years of

age losing their lives in motorcycle accidents, 80 percent were not wearing helmets. State law requires persons under the age of 18 to wear helmets.

Davis went on to say many of the three and four wheelers and mopeds ridden here are not street legal. State law requires persons operating motorcycles to be licensed, the bike to be registered and covered by liability insurance. A person must be 15 years of age to receive a license to operate one of the motorcycles in the state. Officers will be issuing tickets to violators and remind parents that they too can be filed against for allowing a minor child to operate one of these vehicles unlicensed.

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211 Choctaw
Susan Sweatt

Moving Sale
two bedroom sets complete, custom made entertainment center, living room tables, portable dishwasher, stove, refrigerator, lots of miscellaneous. Stone house across from Dairy Queen in Panhandle, 537-5425.

Medicare Supplement
Insurance and Family & Individual Cancer Insurance. Plans available at Brumley Insurance Agency 248-7550

Report news of personal interest. Call The Groom News, 248-7333 or The McLean News, 779-2141.

Groom ISD is accepting applications for Elementary Computer aide. Send resume, including statement of your personal qualifications for the position to Rex Peoples, P.O. Box 550, Groom, Texas 79039.

Get fast results with a Classified Ad. Call 248-7333 in Groom or 779-2141 in McLean.

We haul square bails of hay. 806-669-9749.

Invitations printed, all sizes, shapes and colors. Baby and Wedding shower invitations. The Groom News, 248-7333.

Weekly or daily babysitting in my home. 248-7055.

House for sale—405 W. 1st, three bedroom, \$15,000 or best offer. 248-7408 or 248-7376.

You've got credit with us Low, low down repos, good, bad and no credit welcome. 806-381-1352. Call collect.

All your building needs— Complete home building, room additions, remodeling, garage conversions, patio covers, wall papering, cabinetry of all kinds. Free Estimates. Call anytime 779-2645, Don Dorsey Construction.

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McLean Care Center is taking applications for nurse's aides and orderlies. To apply, contact Tina Thomas at the Care Center.

The 1987 Groom year-books are in and can be picked up on registration day at school.

For all your concrete and backhoe service, call Barker, Redi Mix 779-2703 in McLean.

Small square wheat hay bales. 248-7206

Please return items belonging to Golden Spread Motel. Baby beds, roll-away beds, sweepers, linens, all disappeared since the deaths of Eva or Claude Tankersley. No questions asked. W.C. Metcalf.

For sale immediately—black-eyed peas, cantaloupes and tomatoes. In several weeks, melons will be available. Call Emma Jean Tate at 779-2793. After school starts call 779-3218. McLean.

For lease—Section for grazing. 2 miles north of McLean. Contact Chas. R. Major. 7605 Leanna NE Albuquerque, NM 87109.

Lucky 13 needs cashier for evening shift. Call 248-4981.

Need raffle tickets for your fund raising activities. Call The Groom News, 248-7333.

Film Processing
1 day service
See Kenneth Payton

For Sale—three bedroom brick home, two baths, central air, storm windows, curbing and landscaped. 700 Martin, John Eschle, 248-7407.

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Take up payments. Call 806-381-1352. Call collect. Alliance Homes. Amarillo.

Need copies made quick. See The Groom News. Copies 10c each.

For sale—Bed, box springs, and mattress. Nearly new bedstead. Call 779-2735.

"Out of town" arrivals include lots of children's sizes: 2, 2T, 4 and 5, 6, and 7's. Lots of fall and winter items. Lay away now for school. Cuttin' Corners Shop in McLean.

Apples—cooking and canning varieties. Saturday, Sunday and Monday only. Hommel's Orchard Alanreed 779-2157.

GROOM LODGE
No. 1170
A.F. & A.M.

Stated Meeting,
2nd Tuesday
Practice Every Tuesday
7:30 p.m.

VISITORS WELCOME

Jack West W.M.
Cecil Culver, Secretary

House for rent. Two Bedroom. Please call 248-7964.

R & M ELECTRONIC TV ANTENNA SPECIAL
Replace lead in wire and damaged hardware and tighten antenna \$37.50 and parts. Call 883-2120.

Card Of Thanks
Words cannot express the appreciation we feel for each of you who sent flowers and cards and visited me while I was in the hospital. God bless each of you.
Edith and Gene Wade

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Card Of Thanks

The family of P-Vine Atchley wishes to thank his friends and neighbors for their many expressions of sympathy to us at his death. We thank you for the food, flowers, cards, calls, prayers and visits. You are a kind and gracious community. Words cannot express our gratitude.

The family of
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Ridgway Grooming

Notice of Rate Changes Effective
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Under 10"	\$14.00
11"	15.00
12" to 14"	16.00
15"	17.00

No Dogs Accepted Over 15" Tall
Dipping \$5.00

Matted dogs worked out at the rate of \$15.00 per hour plus above grooming and dipping rate.

Thank you, Jeanne
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Saturday, August 29

10 a.m. — 7 p.m.

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Downtown

Wieberg Welding

Field & Shop Welding

Fabrication & Repairs, Heliarc

Wesco Supplier

Nathan Wieberg
Shop — 248-7270

Home — 248-7301

WHEELER-EVANS

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Nadine Thornton
248-7359

Groom, Texas

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<p>SHURFINE ALL GRINDS Coffee 16 OZ. CAN \$1.89</p>	<p>Mrs. Baird's White Sandwich Bread large loaf 69¢</p>	<p>BANQUET FRIED REG. OR HOT 'N SPICY Chicken 32 OZ. BOX \$2.79</p>	<p>POTATO CHIPS ALL TYPES Pringles 6 1/2-7 1/2 OZ. CAN \$1.29</p>
<p>SHELF SPECIALS LIPTON "COOL SIDE" ASSTD. Salads PKG. \$1.19 BUTTER CHICKEN ASSTD. TUNA HELPER 4 1/2-8 OZ. BOX \$1.29 SUNSHINE COOKIES 12 OZ. PKG. \$1.19 SUNSHINE HYBRID COOKIES 11 OZ. PKG. \$1.19 PLANTER'S DRY ROASTED PEANUTS 12 OZ. JAR \$1.99 100% INSTANT TEA NESTEA 3 OZ. JAR \$2.79</p>	<p><i>This Country's Best!</i> CHOICE TASTE TEMPTERS BUY 3 GET 1 FREE Zest Bath Soap 4 BAR PAK \$1.79</p>	<p>FREE EKCO FLAVOR LOCK BAG CLIP OFFER See specially marked packages for details.</p>	
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